

# Face Recognition Based Attendance System

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**Abstract:** Automatic face recognition (AFR) technologies have made many improvements in the changing world. Smart Attendance using Real-Time Face Recognition is a real-world solution which comes with day to day activities of handling student attendance system. Face recognition-based attendance system is a process of recognizing the students face for taking attendance by using face biometrics based on high - definition monitor video and other information technology. In my face recognition project, a computer system will be able to find and recognize human faces fast and precisely in images or videos that are being captured through a surveillance camera. Numerous algorithms and techniques have been developed for improving the performance of face recognition but the concept to be implemented here is Deep Learning. It helps in conversion of the frames of the video into images so that the face of the student can be easily recognized for their attendance so that the attendance database can be easily reflected automatically.

**Keywords:** Face recognition, Face detection, Deep Learning, Convolution Neural Network(CNN).

## I. INTRODUCTION

The technology aims in imparting a tremendous knowledge oriented technical innovations these days. Deep Learning is one among the interesting domain that enables the machine to train itself by providing some datasets as input and provides an appropriate output during testing by applying different learning algorithms. Nowadays Attendance is considered as an important factor for both the student as well as the teacher of an educational organization. With the advancement of the deep learning technology the machine automatically detects the attendance performance of the students and maintains a record of those collected data.

In general, the attendance system of the student can be maintained in two different forms namely,

- Manual Attendance System (MAS)
- Automated Attendance System (AAS).

Manual Student Attendance Management system is a process where a teacher concerned with the particular subject need to call the students name and mark the attendance manually. Manual attendance may be considered as a time-consuming process or sometimes it happens for the teacher to miss someone or students may answer multiple times on the absence of their friends.

So, the problem arises when we think about the traditional process of taking attendance in the classroom. To solve all these issues we go with Automatic Attendance System(AAS). Automated Attendance System (AAS) is a process to automatically estimate the presence or the absence of the student in the classroom by using face recognition technology. It is also possible to recognize whether the student is sleeping or awake during the lecture and it can also be implemented in the exam sessions to ensure the presence of the student. The presence of the students can be determined by capturing their faces on to a high-definition monitor video streaming service, so it becomes highly reliable for the machine to understand the presence of all the students in the classroom. The two common Human Face Recognition techniques are,

- Feature-based approach
- Brightness-based approach.

The Feature-based approach also known as local face recognition system, used in pointing the key features of the face like eyes, ears, nose, mouth, edges, etc., whereas the brightness-based approach also termed as the global face recognition system, used in recognizing all the parts of the image.

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY:

### 2.1 A Counterpart Approach to Attendance and Feedback System using Machine Learning Techniques:

In this paper, the idea of two technologies namely Student Attendance and Feedback system has been implemented with a machine learning approach. This system automatically detects the student performance and maintains the student's records like attendance and their feedback on the subjects like Science, English, etc. Therefore the attendance of the student can be made available by recognizing the face. On recognizing, the attendance details and details about the marks of the student is obtained as feedback.

### 2.2 Automated Attendance System Using Face Recognition:

Automated Attendance System using Face Recognition proposes that the system is based on face detection and recognition algorithms, which is used to automatically detects the student face when he/she enters the class and the system is capable to marks the attendance by recognizing him. Viola-Jones Algorithm has been used for face detection which detect human face using cascade classifier and PCA algorithm for feature selection and SVM for classification. When it is compared to traditional attendance marking this system saves the time and also helps to monitor the students.

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### 2.3 Student Attendance System Using Iris Detection:

In this proposed system the student is requested to stand in front of the camera to detect and recognize the iris, for the system to mark attendance for the student. Some algorithms like Gray Scale Conversion, Six Segment Rectangular Filter, Skin Pixel Detection is being used to detect the iris. It helps in preventing the proxy issues and it maintains the attendance of the student in an effective manner, but in one of the time-consuming process for a student or a staff to wait until the completion of the previous members.

### 2.4 Face Recognition-based Lecture Attendance System:

This paper proposes that the system takes the attendance automatically recognition obtained by continuous observation. Continuous observation helps in estimating and improving the performance of the attendance. To obtain the attendance, positions and face images of the students present in the class room are captured. Through continuous observation and recording the system estimates seating position and location of each student for attendance marking. The work is focused on the method to obtain the different weights of each focused seat according to its location. The effectiveness of the picture is also being discussed to enable the faster recognition of the image.

## III. EXISTING RECOGNITION SYSTEMS:

### 3.1 Fingerprint Based recognition system:

In the Fingerprint based existing attendance system, a portable fingerprint device need to be configured with the students fingerprint earlier. Later either during the lecture hours or before, the student needs to record the fingerprint on the configured device to ensure their attendance for the day. The problem with this approach is that during the lecture time it may distract the attention of the students.

### 3.2 RFID(Radio Frequency Identification) Based recognition system:

In the RFID based existing system, the student needs to carry a Radio Frequency Identity Card with them and place the ID on the card reader to record their presence for the day. The system is capable of to connect to RS232 and record the attendance to the saved database. There are possibilities for the fraudulent access may occur. Some are students may make use of other students ID to ensure their presence when the particular student is absent or they even try to misuse it sometimes.

### 3.3 Iris Based Recognition System:

In the Iris based student attendance system, the student needs to stand in front of a camera, so that the camera will scan the Iris of the student. The scanned iris is matched with data of student stored in the database and the attendance on their presence needs be updated. This reduces the paper and pen workload of the faculty member of the institute. This also reduces the chances of proxies in the class, and helps in maintaining the student records safe. It is a wireless biometric technique that solves the problem of spurious attendance and the trouble of laying the corresponding network.

### 3.4 Face Based Recognition System:

The facial recognition technology can be used in recording the attendance through a high-resolution digital camera that detects and recognizes the faces of the students and the machine compares the recognized face with students' face images stored in the database. Once the face of the student is matched with the stored image, then the attendance is marked in attendance database for further calculation. If the captured image doesn't match with the students' face present in the database then this image is stored as a new image onto the database. In this system, there are possibilities for the camera to not to capture the image properly or it may miss some of the students from capturing.

## IV. PROPOSED SYSTEM:

The task of the proposed system is to capture the face of each student and to store it in the database for their attendance. The face of the student needs to be captured in such a manner that all the feature of the students' face needs to be detected, even the seating and the posture of the student need to be recognized. There is no need for the teacher to manually take attendance in the class because the system records a video and through further processing steps the face is being recognized and the attendance database is updated.

## V. RESULTS & DISCUSSIONS

The main working principle of the project is that, the video captured data is converted into image to detect and recognize it. Further the recognized image of the student is provided with attendance, else the system marks the database as absent.

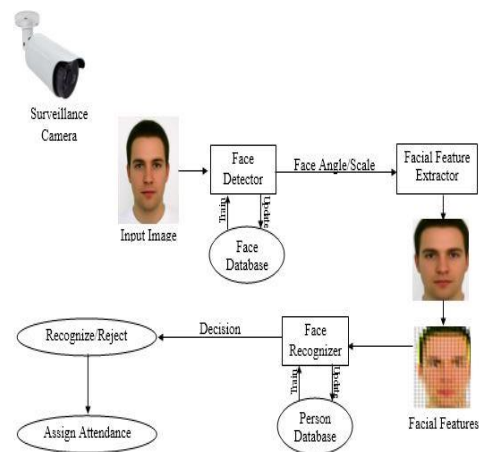


Figure 1.1

### 5.1 Capture video:

The Camera is fixed at a specific distance inside a classroom to capture videos of the frontal images of the entire students of the class.

### 5.2 Separate as frames from the video:

The captured video needs to be converted into frames per second for easier detection and recognition of the students'



face to generate the attendance database.



Figure 1.2

5.3 Face Detection:

Face Detection is the process where the image, given as an input (picture) is searched to find any face, after finding the face the image processing cleans up the facial image for easier recognition of the face. CNN algorithm can be implemented to detect the faces.



Figure 1.3

5.4 Face Recognition:

After the completion of detecting and processing the face, it is compared to the faces present in the students' database to update the attendance of the students.



Figure 1.4

5.5 Post-Processing:

The post-processing mechanism involves the process of updating the names of the student into an excel sheet. The excel sheet can be maintained on a weekly basis or monthly basis to record the students' attendance. This attendance record can be sent to parents or guardians of students to report the performance of the student.

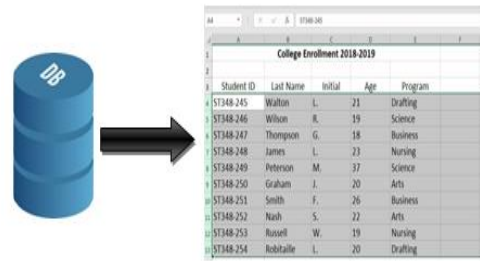
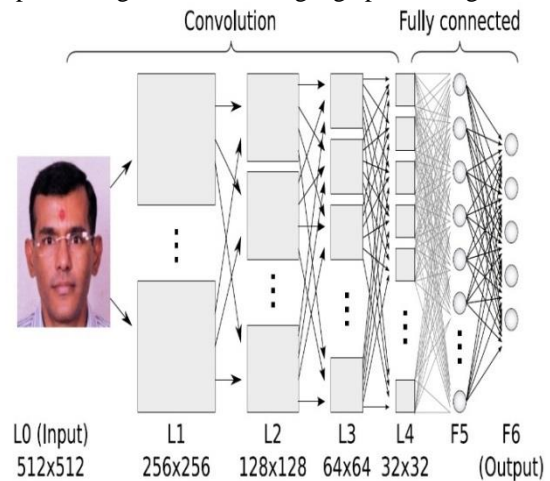


Figure 1.5

VI. NETWORK DIAGRAM:

A CNN (Convolution Neural Network) uses a system like a multilayer perceptron that has been designed to process the requirements faster. The CNN layer consist of an input layer, an output layer and a hidden layer that includes multiple convolution layers, pooling layers, fully connected layers, and normalization layers. The removal of limitations and increase in efficiency for image processing results in a system that is far more effective, simpler to trains limited for image processing and natural language processing.



VII. CONCLUSION:

Thus, the aim of this paper is to capture the video of the students, convert it into frames, relate it with the database to ensure their presence or absence, mark attendance to the particular student to maintain the record. The Automated Classroom Attendance System helps in increasing the accuracy and speed ultimately achieve the high-precision real-time attendance to meet the need for automatic classroom evaluation.

FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS:

- Automated Attendance System can be implemented in larger areas like in a seminar hall where it helps in sensing the presence of many people.
- Sometimes the poor lighting condition of the classroom may affect image quality which indirectly degrades system performance, this can be overcome in the latter stage by improving the quality of the video or by using some algorithms



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