Multimodal Emotion Recognition Using Multiple AI Algorithms

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Abstract: This project aims to develop a real-time multimodal emotion recognition system that detects emotions from video, speech, and text inputs. The system activates the camera to identify emotions instantaneously. To achieve this, we train a robust model using four state-of-the-art deep learning algorithms: VGG19, a deep convolutional neural network known for its intricate feature capture; ResNet50, a 50-layer network that overcomes the vanishing gradient problem; MobileNetV2, a lightweight model optimized for mobile and edge devices; and Xception, which uses depth-wise separable convolutions for high performance. The project involves comparing the accuracy of these algorithms to determine the most effective approach for real-time emotion recognition.

1. Introduction

his chapter aims to explore innovative methods for enhancing human-computer interaction by making computers more aware of the user's emotional and attentional expressions.[1] The aim of this study is to develop a robust and comprehensive multimodal emotion recognition system that integrates various types of digital data—text, speech, and images—to accurately detect and interpret human emotions. By leveraging the strengths of multiple advanced AI algorithms, including Xception, MobileNetV2, ResNet50, and VGG19.

The project, "Multi-Modal Emotion Recognition," aims to develop a real-time system that activates the camera to identify emotions instantaneously. This will be achieved by training a robust model using four state-of-the-art deep learning algorithms: VGG19, known for its intricate feature capture; ResNet50, a 50-layer network that addresses the vanishing gradient problem; MobileNetV2, optimized for mobile and edge devices; and Xception, which utilizes depthwise separable convolutions for high performance.

The project involves comparing the accuracy of these algorithms to determine the most effective approach for real-time emotion recognition. The model should be designed to operate in real-time by turning on the webcam and also processing images, speech, text, and video files when provided through a file path or upload.

After training and comparing the four models, the project will use the most accurate model along with MobileNetV2 for further processing. This ensures the system leverages both the best-performing model and a lightweight model optimized for mobile and edge deployment.

This chapter provides an overview of research efforts focused on classifying emotions using various modalities, including audio, visual, and a combination of both audio-visual. [2] Multimodal Emotion Recognition refers to the process of detecting and interpreting human emotions through the integration of multiple types of data or modalities. Unlike traditional approaches that rely on a single type of data, such as facial expressions or speech, multimodal emotion recognition combines various sources of information, including text, speech, and images, to achieve a more comprehensive and accurate understanding of emotional states.

1.4.1 Key Modalities in Multimodal Emotion Recognition:

- Text: Analysing the sentiment and emotional content in written language. This can include social media posts, emails, or transcriptions of spoken language. Techniques such as Natural Language Processing (NLP) are used to extract emotional cues from text.
- 2. **Speech:** Evaluating vocal characteristics such as tone, pitch, and intensity. Speech





emotion recognition can identify emotions by examining how something is said rather than what is said. Acoustic features and prosody are important in this analysis.

3. **Images:** Interpreting facial expressions, body language, and other visual cues. Computer vision techniques are used to detect and classify emotions based on facial movements and expressions.

This survey seeks to bridge the gap by offering a comprehensive overview of recent advancements in multimodal emotion recognition (MER) based on deep learning. [4]

Traditional emotion recognition systems often rely on a single type of data, such as text, speech, or images, which can limit their accuracy and robustness. To overcome these limitations, our project focuses on developing a multimodal application that integrates various types of digital data—text, speech, and images—to detect emotions more comprehensively.

This paper presents a deep dual recurrent encoder model that simultaneously analyses both text and audio data to provide a deeper and more complete understanding of speech information. [5]

II. LITERATRURE SURVEY

Recent technological advances have expanded human-computer interactions beyond traditional methods, introducing modalities like voice, gesture, and force-feedback. However, integrating emotion recognition remains a key challenge for natural interaction. Emotions are crucial in human communication, and enabling computers to understand them is desirable for various applications. This chapter reviews fundamental research and recent developments in emotion recognition from facial, voice, and physiological signals, addressing independently. It also discusses the complexities of multimodal emotion recognition and the use of probabilistic graphical models for integrating different modalities, as well as challenges in obtaining reliable affective data and ground truth. [1]

Recent advancements in human-computer interaction aim to enhance the naturalness and user-

friendliness of interactions by recognizing users' emotions. This chapter reviews research on emotion classification through audio, visual, and combined audio-visual modalities. It begins with theories of emotion to define categories and describes the creation of relevant databases. The authors outline fifteen datasets and the features used to represent emotional content, discussing methods for feature selection and reduction to remove noise. They highlight popular classifiers for determining emotion classes and methods for fusing multimodal information. The chapter concludes with suggestions for future research directions in emotion recognition. [2]

New research in human-computer interaction focuses on incorporating emotional states to enhance interface seamlessness, applicable in diverse fields like education and medicine. Emotional recognition techniques neuroimaging strategies, physiological signs, facial images, and encompass expressions. This paper reviews deep learning-based emotional recognition of multimodal signals, comparing their applications with current studies. It highlights those multimodal computing systems, affective compared unimodal solutions, offer higher classification accuracy. This accuracy depends on the number of emotions, features extracted, classification systems, and database consistency. The paper also discusses theories on emotional detection methodologies and recent advances in emotional science, aiming to improve the understanding of physiological signals and emotional awareness issues. [3]

Multimodal emotion recognition (MER) combines signals like text, speech, and facial cues to identify human emotional states, playing a crucial role in human-computer interaction (HCI). Recent advancements in deep learning and multimodal datasets have led to significant developments in MER. However, comprehensive reviews of these achievements are lacking. This survey addresses this gap by analyzing current multimodal datasets, methods for emotional feature extraction, and various MER algorithms. It particularly focuses on model-agnostic fusion methods and fusion techniques in deep models, offering guidance for researchers in this dynamic field. [4]

Speech emotion recognition is a challenging task, typically relying on audio features



to build effective classifiers. This paper introduces a novel deep dual recurrent encoder model that simultaneously utilizes text and audio data for improved speech emotion recognition. By encoding information from both audio and text sequences using dual RNNs and combining these sources, the captures emotional dialogue comprehensively. Extensive experiments demonstrate that this approach outperforms previous state-of-the-art methods on the IEMOCAP dataset, achieving accuracies between 68.8% and 71.8% for classifying emotions into angry, happy, sad, and neutral categories. [5]

Multimodal emotion recognition has garnered increasing interest due to its potential for enhanced performance by leveraging diverse information sources. This work explores using images, text, and tags for emotion recognition, addressing the often-ignored challenge of "missing modality" where social media posts may lack one or more types of content. To tackle this, we propose a multimodal model within a multitask framework that can train with any combination of modalities and predict emotions even when some modalities are missing. Our approach proves robust against missing modalities at test time and allows fine-tuning with unimodal and bimodal data to enhance performance. Experiments demonstrate that multitask learning also acts as a regularization mechanism, improving generalization. [6]

Emotions are key human communication, and research emotion on recognition has grown significantly. Recently, multimodal emotion recognition, combining text, video, speech, and physiological signals, has gained importance for its ability to improve recognition rates. This paper pre-processes text, video, and speech, data from the IEMOCAP dataset, utilizes deep learning neural networks for feature extraction, and performs feature-level information fusion. Focusing on five emotionshappy, neutral, sad, excited, and angry —the proposed model achieves a validation accuracy of 0.68383 and a training accuracy of 0.9541 improving speech emotion recognition accuracy by 0.11751. [7]

III. PROPOSED METHOD

3.1 Proposed work

In this project we are developing multi-model

application to detect emotion from various types of digital data such as Text, Speech and Images. To detect emotion we have trained and evaluate performance of multiple AI algorithms such as Xception, MobileNetV2, ResNet50 and VGG19. We evaluate each algorithm's performance in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, and FSCORE.

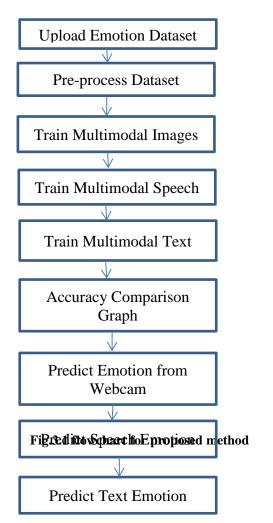
All training datasets are downloaded from KAGGLE repository by using terms like Speech Emotion, Text Emotion and facial expression images.

To implement this project, we have designed the following modules,

- Upload Emotion Dataset: Using this module, we can load datasets into applications.
- 2) **Pre-process Dataset:** using this module we will apply processing techniques such as normalization, shuffling and splitting dataset into train and test and split ratio for training is 80% and testing ratio is 20%
- 3) Train Multimodal Images: using this module we will train and load all 4 algorithms and then perform prediction on test images data to calculate accuracy and other metrics
- Train Multimodal Speech: Using this module, we will train and load all four algorithms, then perform predictions on test speech data to calculate accuracy and other metrics,
- 5) **Train Multimodal Text:** Using this module, we will train and load all four algorithms, then perform predictions on test text data to calculate accuracy and other metrics,
- Accuracy Comparison Graph: will plot comparison graph between all algorithm performance
- 7) **Predict Emotion from Webcam**: this module will open a webcam and then prediction emotion using live faces
- 8) **Predict Speech Emotion:** using this module will upload speech audio file and then best performing model will be applied to predict emotion from speech audio
- 9) **Predict Text Emotion:** using this module will upload text file with sentences and



then best performing model will prediction emotion from TEXT.



To run project double click on 'run.bat' file to get below screen



Fig.4.1 'run.bat' file

In above screen click on 'Upload Emotion Dataset' button to load dataset and get below page

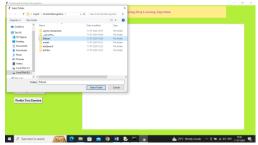


Fig.4.2 selecting and uploading entire 'Dataset' folder

In above screen selecting and uploading entire 'Dataset' folder and then click on 'Select Folder' button to load dataset and get below page



Fig.4.3 dataset loaded

In above screen dataset loaded and now click on 'Pre-process Dataset' button to process dataset and get below page



Fig.4.4 dataset size of each format

In above screen can see dataset size of each format and then can see train and test size of each dataset and now click on 'Train Multimodal Images' button to train all 4 algorithms on facial images and get below page





Fig.4.5 performance of all algorithms on face expression

In above screen can see performance of all algorithm on face expression images and now click on 'Train Multimodal Speech' button to train all algorithms on speech data and get below page



Fig.4.6 performance of all algorithms on Speech dataset

In above screen can see performance of all algorithms on Speech dataset and now click on 'Train Multimodal Text' button to train all algorithms on TEXT data and get below output



Fig.4.7 see performance of all algorithms on TEXT data

In above screen can see performance of all algorithms on TEXT data and then click on 'Accuracy Comparison Graph' button to get below graph

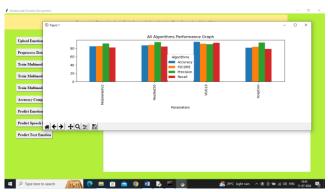


Fig.4.8 Graphical representation

In above graph x-axis represents algorithm names and y-axis represents accuracy and other metrics in different colour bars and in all algorithms VGG19 got better performance for facial emotion. Now close above graph and then click on 'Predict Emotion from Webcam' button to get below output



Fig.4.9 webcam started

In above screen webcam started and now show your faces to webcam to detect emotion and now click on 'Predict Speech Emotion' button to get below output

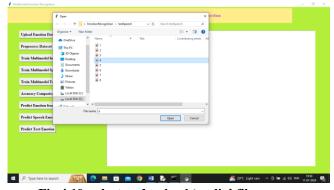


Fig.4.10. select and upload 'audio' file

In above screen select and upload 'audio' file and then click on 'Open' button to get below output





Fig.4.11 text area output can see uploaded audio file

In above screen in text area output can see uploaded audio file emotion predicted as 'Sad' and similarly you can upload and test other audio files. Now click on 'Predict Text Emotion' button to upload 'text data file' and get below output

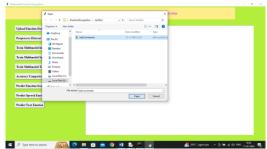


Fig.4.12 selecting and uploading 'test comments' file

In above screen selecting and uploading 'test comments' file and then click on 'Open' button to get below output



Fig.4.13 input test sentence from file

In above screen before arrow symbol --→ can see input test sentence from file and after arrow symbol can see predicted emotion as positive and negative. So by using above application we have done emotion prediction using multiple data versions.

CONCLUSION

In this study on multimodal emotion recognition, we employed advanced convolutional neural networks—VGG19, MobileNetV2, ResNet, and Xception—to analyse and interpret human

emotions from diverse data sources. Our results demonstrated high accuracy rates across these models, with Xception achieving the highest accuracy of 98.32%, followed closely by VGG19 at 98.25%, ResNet at 97.44%, and MobileNetV2 at 97.21%. These findings underscore the effectiveness of combining multiple advanced AI algorithms for emotion recognition tasks. The superior performance of the Xception model highlights its capability to integrate and process multimodal data efficiently.

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