

A Review on Various Techniques of Brain Tumor Segmentation

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Abstract

Medical imaging is a procedure that is broadly used to make pictures of human body for restorative and inquire about purposes. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) is a capable of representation instrument that grants to get pictures of inside life structures of human body in a protected and non-prominent way. Automatic brain tumor identification from MRI pictures has turned out to be one of the real zones of beneficial research. The vital assignment in the determination of brain tumor is to decide the correct area which introduced about the field of irregular tissues.

Keywords

Brain Tumor, MRI, Tumor Segmentation Techniques.

I. Introduction

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) offers complete information regarding organs, cellular structure and vascular stream, create a vital device for the real analysis, treatment and observing disease. MRI is a non-invasive health test that aids physicians analyse and treat health disorders. MRI uses a great magnetic field, radio frequency and a PC to produce complete images of organs, soft tissues, bone and effectively all other inner body structures. The descriptions can be tested on a computer monitor, spread automatically and produced a CD. MRI does not use ionizing radiation (x-rays). Detailed MR pictures permit physicians to calculate several parts of the body and define the existence of definite diseases [1].

Automatic detection of brain tumor using MRI images is one of the best challenging tasks in current Medical imaging study. Automatic detection involves brain image segmentation method, which is used to separate the image into different areas. Multiplicative noises are present in the MRI images of brain and these noises are removed from images using various filters [2]. MRI provides more information about a problem seen on an X-ray, ultrasound scan, or CT scan and it is also used to find the blood vessel diseases, blood injury, tumors, infection and so on.

A group, or mass, of odd cells in the brain is called brain tumor. Some development within such a restricted space can cause issues. Brain tumor can be either cancerous (malignant) or noncancerous (benign). While benign or malignant tumors rise, they may cause the stress within skull. This can lead to brain injury, and is dangerous. Brain tumors are classified into two types: Primary and Secondary.

A **primary brain tumor** initiates in brain. Several primary brain tumors are either benign or cancerous. Benign cancer doesn't extent from one part of the body to the other part of the body. It can develop into – brain cells, nerve cells, glands.

A **secondary brain tumor**, also known as a metastatic brain tumor, happens after tumor cells extent to the brain from alternative body part, such as kidneys, lungs, skin or breast. Secondary brain tumors are always malignant which can start from the one part of the body and spread into the other [3].

In this paper the first section illustrate about the general introduction of MRI images and brain tumor detection. In the section 2 the detailed study of brain tumor detection is presented. 3 section is about the various techniques for brain tumor segmentation. In the 4th section related study for the paper is described.

II. Brain Tumor Segmentation

Brain tumor division is a detachment of a piece into similarly extraordinary and depleted ranges to such an extent that every zone of intrigue is spatially adjoining and the pixels inside the zone are homogeneous with respect to a predefined standard. As often as possible, homogeneity circumstances involve significances of brain fullness, surface, shading, run, surface normal and surface ebbs and flows.[4] Numerous scientists have composed noteworthy research in the region of brain tumor division present it is still considered an extremely critical research zone. The security of MRI along with the essential trimester of pregnancy is uncertain, yet it might be interesting to various decisions. The consistent increment in necessity for MRI inside the human services industry has prompted worries about cost feasibility and over conclusion [5].

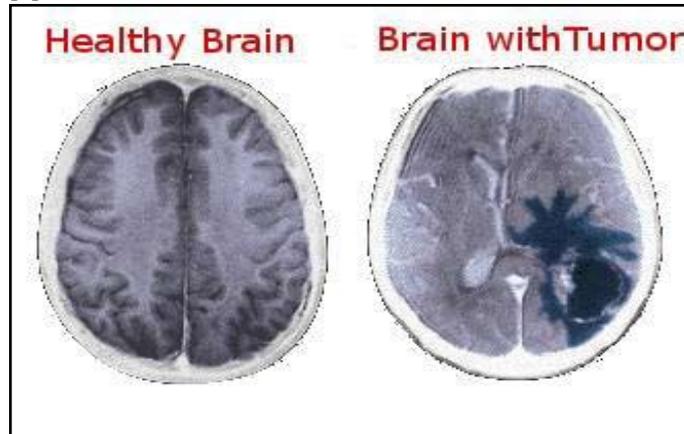


Fig.1: Image of healthy and tumor detect brain [6]

III. Techniques for Brain Tumor Segmentation

At exhibit, picture division is an essential assignment in restorative picture divisions. The division of brain tumor from attractive reverberation pictures (MRI) is a vital service. The division is one of the strategies for accepting tumor from the MRI. Physically division acquires no less than three hours to finish. A few mechanized procedures have been extended for MRI division.

Thresholding: Thresholding is one of straightforward picture division technique. It is extension of unscrambling pixels in important classes relying upon their pixels dim levels. A thresholding method makes a force esteem called the edge which isolates the required classes. The division is finished by gorgeous limit value [7].

Global Thresholding: Suppose the histogram of a picture $f(x, y)$ is made out of light protests on a dim foundation. Two prevailing

modes are utilized to group the pixel force levels of the question and the foundation. In worldwide thresholding, an edge value T is chosen such that it isolates the question and the foundation. Worldwide thresholding system won't create the coveted yield when pixels from various portions cover as far as powers. The covering of powers might be caused due to (a) commotion (b) variety in light over the picture.

Local Thresholding: Global thresholding technique is not reasonable at whatever point the foundation brightening is uneven. In nearby thresholding system, the edge value T relies upon dark levels of $f(x, y)$ and some nearby picture properties of neighbouring pixels, for example, mean or change.

Region Growing: It is an area based division strategy. This procedure is essential impediment of physically pick seed focuses. A blend of seed focuses is maintained on client criteria. It is additionally emphasis based technique like bunching calculations. The locale developing technique connected in restorative picture division. In restorative zone, it can be helpful in kidney division, expulsion of brain surface, cardiovascular pictures and so on the most imperative downside of this system is its requirement for UI for gathering of seed points.[8] Thus for every territory that assortment of seed is need UI and it is exceptionally tedious strategy.

Mean Shift: A mean move is a non-parametric grouping strategy. Essentially it is used for group examination in PC vision and picture handling region. Mean move calculation is utilized for group of N -dimensional informational index [9].

Clustering Techniques: Clustering is the advancement of accumulation of items which are practically identical amongst them and are random articles having a place with different bunches. Grouping is fitting in biomedical picture division when the quantity of bunch is known for demanding bunching of human life structures. [10] Grouping calculation is ordered into two classes:

- Exclusive clustering
- Overlapping clustering

Genetic Algorithm: Genetic calculation is a characteristic motivated Meta heuristic calculation. In GA every arrangement is constituted as chromosome and every chromosome is comprised of qualities. In the following cycle, the best created arrangements will be included while the bad arrangements will be rejected. At the point when its answers are repeats by the calculation, these arrangements are delivered better up to a point where a join to close ideal arrangement is accomplished. All in all, a GA has five phases: introduction of populace, assessment of wellness work, Determination, hybrid, change and end. Beginning populace is made by chance, which should be possible by setting qualities to irregular esteems. After the introduction procedure, wellness capacity of every chromosome is assessed [11].

Watershed Algorithm: Watershed division is a slope based division strategy. It considers the slope guide of the picture as an alleviation outline. It sections the picture as a dam. The divided locales are called catchment bowls. Watershed division comprehends an assortment of picture division issue. It is reasonable for the pictures that have higher force value. Watershed division is caused over division. To control over division, marker controlled watershed division is utilized. Sobel administrator is appropriate for edge identification. In marker controlled watershed division, sobel administrator is use to particular the edge of the protest [12].

Morphological Operation: Morphological picture preparing is

an addition of nonlinear operations identified with the shape or morphology of components in a picture. A morphological operation on a parallel picture makes another paired picture in which the pixel has a non-zero value. Two essential morphological operations are disintegration and expansion. Disintegration shrivels the picture and widening develops the picture [13].

Fuzzy C-implies Algorithm: Fuzzy C-implies (FCM) calculation is a bunching system presented by Dunn, improved by Bezdek and further arranged by Matteo Matteucci and it bunches the voxels (information) of the attractive reverberation (MR) mind pictures as "n" number of groups. The nigh-exhausting pixels of slightest mean separation from the centroid pixel are relegated with low enrollment review value and are developed around the centroid value, progressively. The enrollment review and the group focuses are iteratively refreshed to diminish the target capacity of collecting the information [10][14].

Self-Organizing Map: SOM is fit for anticipating the models either in two dimensional or three dimensional spaces. This depiction happens in light of the measurement of the yield layer. Introductory level gathering of the models is finished utilizing SOM. Models which are very comparable in nature are set nearer to the yield space. This position of models is generally performed in light of Euclidean separation count. The area of the model child the yield space has a tendency to be a profitable source of data and can be used to group the SOM [9]. In view of the eigen-qualities and eigen-vectors of the preparation information, direct introduction of the SOM models is performed.

The merits and demerits of segmentation techniques are summarized in the form of table which is given below.

Table 1: A comparative study for various brain tumor segmentation techniques.

Segmentation Methods	Merits	Demerits
Region growing Based[8]	It is best since it correctly separate the regions that have the similar properties and provide the real image which have the clear edges with good segmentation results.	It is computationally expensive in terms of time and memory, Sensitive to noise.
Threshold Based[7]	Simpler, fast computations and lower complexity.	Limited applicability to enhance tumor area.
Mean Shift[9]	Unsupervised. It always converges the tumor boundaries	Long computational time, sensitivity to noise.
Clustering Technique[10]	Simple, fast and understandable. Easy to determine which clusters are neighbouring.	All the cluster boundaries are either horizontal or vertical, no diagonal boundary is detected.

Global Thresholding[7]	In global thresholding, a threshold value T is selected in such a way that it separates the object and the background	Global thresholding technique will not produce the desired output when pixels from different segments overlap in terms of intensities.
Genetic Algorithm[11]	Genetic algorithm is easy to understand and basically parallel. It has more chances to getting a optimal solution.	Time Consumption, tedious to implement and slower than other methods.
Watershed Algorithm[12]	Watershed algorithm segments the image more accurately. It is the best method to group pixels of an image based on their intensity.	The main problem of this algorithm is that it is more sensitive in intensity variation which cause over segmentation.
Morphological Operation[13]	Morphological image processing is a collection of nonlinear operations related to the shape or morphology of features in an image.	Erosion shrinks the image and dilation grows the image.
Fuzzy C-means Algorithm[14]	It is simple and fast algorithm. This algorithm is more robust to noise and provides better segmentation quality.	It considers only image intensity values.
Self-Organizing Map[9]	It is very simple, easy to understand and work very. It classifies the data very well and evaluates their own qualities, so that we can calculate good map and strong similarities between the objects.	Time consuming.

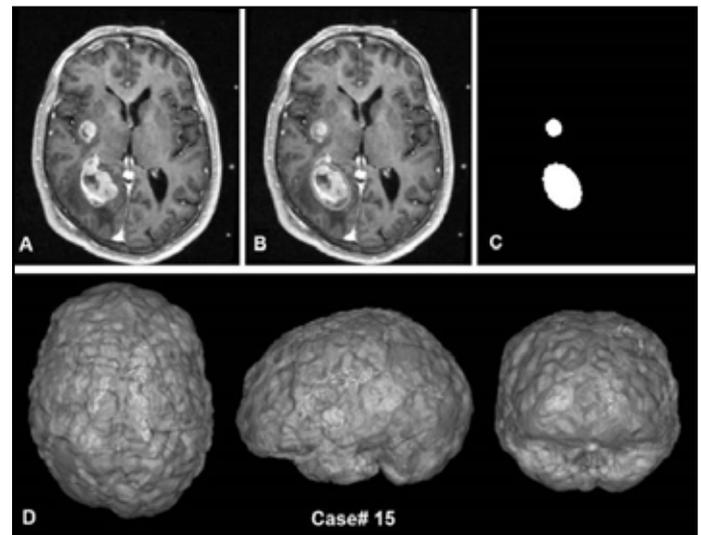


Figure:2(a)Input MRI image,2(b)Preprocessed image,2(c)ANFIS classification,2(d)Tumor detection

IV. Related Study

Harsimranjot kaur and Dr.Reecha Sharma(2016) [1] have proposed a technique for the automatic brain tumor detection and segmentation from the brain magnetic resonance images(MRI). MRI scans produced detailed images of the internal structure of human brain and other parts of the body. MRI data analysis is a significant task which is very time -consuming and accurate.

Yash Sharma and Megha Chhabra(2015) [2]improved automatic brain tumor detection method is planned which automatically detects tumor area in MRI images when it is segmented then its features are extracted. After extraction it's more to ANN (artificial neural network) for further processing.

Sushmit Ghosh et.al.(2015) [3] presented this segmentation problem for the pointing of determining the careful location of brain tumor. The structural tumorous and normal tissues are studied for finding the proper position of brain tumor the features used to segment are – intensity based, texture based, symmetry based.

Aman Iyall and Mr. Rajendra Singh Yadav(2016) [4] defined as tumor segmentation is very important from MRI but it is time consuming and expensive. In which different edge detection methods are used to detect and treat the tumor part of the brain. It obtained better and accurate results.

Dr. A.R. Kavitha et.al(2016) [5] it proposed an algorithm that process how to segment automated brain tumor and find an optimal solution. Provide information necessary to differentiate surgical. Plan related to functional structures as well as potential abnormal tissues. Drawback physical PSO is overcome by the merit EDPSO. This algorithm uses a fitness function to evaluate success of particles.

Easha Noureen and Dr. Md. Kamrul Hassan (2014) [7] Defined thresholding cannot detect tumor specifically so to do this. The other technique region growing is used which provide seed. Point approach to the segment ROI region detect tumor easily.

Veeramuthu, A.Meenakshi, S.Darsini, V. Priya(2015) [8] defined as the act of examining images for the purpose of identifying the objects .To detect and treat the brain tumor segmentation can be used to locate and boundaries of object in images. Otsu's thresholding is used to segment the area of tumor in image, extract features and classified it to avoid the serious stages of cancer.

Komal Sharma, Akwinder Kaur, Shruti Gujral (2014) [9] defined brain tumor is very dangerous application of medical image

processing .in this poor quality images are discarded which have low brightness and noise. This focus to overcome the shortcomings in earlier brain tumor detecting techniques and to provide better solution.

Alan Jose and S.Ravi et.al(2014) [10] it provided simple algorithm for detection of range or shape of tumor in brain MR images. The brain tumor detection is done through the k-means clustering and fuzzy c-means algorithm to identify the exact location and calculate the size of tumor by calculating the no. of white pixels optimally.

V. Conclusions

In this paper, the different robotized systems for brain tumor division are investigated in detail for the location of brain tumor. This paper is utilized to give more data about brain tumor division systems utilizing MR pictures. The most difficult and dynamic research range in the field of picture handling throughout the previous couple of decades is picture division. Even though the accessibility of a vast assortment of strategies for MRI brain tumor division, yet at the same time, MRI brain tumor division is a testing task and there is a need what's more, enormous degree for future research to enhance the speed, exactness and accuracy of division strategies.

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