ABSTRACT

Ovarian cancer position fourth in cancer deaths among women, creation it accounted for the major number of deaths in evaluation to any other cancer of the female reproductive system. A woman’s life span risk of increasing ovarian cancer is 1.7%. A malignant tumor of the ovary, the egg sac in a female. Ovarian cancer is complicated to identify timely because there typically are no symptoms and the symptoms that do happen be possible to be indistinct. Detection involves physical assessment, ultrasound, X-ray tests, CA 125 test, and biopsy of the ovary. Most ovarian growths in women under age 30 are benign, fluid-filled cysts. The purpose of this study is to develop a Medical Image Processing Technique to ease the identification of ovarian cancer from ultrasound images as the comprehensive study of imaging function. The goal of segmentation is to identify the correct areas and to analyze the diagnosis. Ultrasound images as texture and extracted features based on spatial-frequency content. After the extraction of feature and classification is performed have to classify the images into lesion/non lesion or benign/malignant or normal/abnormal classes. To improve the treatment of cancer, automated ultrasound selection techniques are used.

Keyword: Ovarian Cancer, Medical Image processing techniques

1. INTRODUCTION

Ovarian cancer is cancer that begins in the ovaries. Ovaries are reproductive glands establish only in women. The ovaries produce eggs (ova) for reproduction. The egg’s journey during the Fallopian tubes into the uterus where the fertilized egg embeds and establish into a fetus. The ovaries are also the major cause of the female hormones estrogen and progesterone. One ovary is situated on each side of the uterus in the pelvis. Many types of tumors can generate in the ovaries. The majority of these are benign (noncancerous) and never multiply outside the ovary. Benign tumors can be treated effectively by removing either the ovary or the part of the ovary that contains the tumor. Ovarian tumors that are not benign or malignant (cancerous) and can increase (metastasize) to other parts of the body. Ovarian tumors are named according to the kind of cells the tumor in progress from and whether the tumor is benign or cancerous. There are 3 main types of ovarian tumors: Epithelial tumors establish from the cells that wrap the outer surface of the ovary. Most ovarian tumors are epithelial cell tumors. Germ cell tumors begin from the cells that generate the eggs (ova). Stromal tumors begin from structural tissue cells that grip the ovary collectively and make the female hormones estrogen and progesterone.

Image preprocessing: Ultrasound images are pretentious by noise such as speckle noise, impulse noise, multiplicative noise. To restrain the noise some filtering techniques, wavelet domain techniques and de-speckling methods are used.

Image Segmentation: This process sub categorizes the image into amount of small portions and make a distinction the entity from the surroundings.
**Feature extraction and selection:** This stage we take out some features from normal tissue and abnormal cancer tissue. So extracting and selecting some necessary features is very needful for classification.

**Classification:** After the feature extraction we categorize the tissue we make a decision and make a conclusion of normal and abnormal.

### 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

#### 2.1 Reviews Of Segmentation On Ovarian Cancer

Image segmentation algorithms, specifically Frequency weighted mean shift for supervised clustering of the images and Normalized Cuts for graph partition. A method is intended for high throughput in computing and detecting tint of ovarian cancer on a very huge pathology in a fewer time. Hierarchical Normalized cut enables quickinvestigation of huge images. The proposed algorithm combines Frequency Weighted Mean Shift (FWMS) and N Cut algorithm and is specifically intended for the rapid extraction of pixels of concern which is insensible to the user’s provinceinformation. The FWMS unlike the mean shift algorithm mechanism directly in the color space merging point of comparable standards that lie within the neighborhood of each other and exhibit originality in convergence allowing faster calculation with few steps. The Weighted FCM cluster the image depends on the membership function weight has to intended. To combine FWMS and WFCM algorithm to find the competency use an N Cut algorithm.

In the field of medical imaging, image segmentation algorithms are widely used in the conception and segmentation of images of the human body, such as tissues and organs. This helps in enlightening, diagnosing and investigative them in treatment planning and a variety of other clinical purposes. The proposed algorithm combines frequency weighted mean shift (FWMS) and N Cut algorithm and is specially designed for the quickremoval of pixels of interest which is insensible to the user’s areainformation. The FWMS dissimilar the mean shift algorithm works honestly in the color space inclusion points of alike values that lie within the neighborhood of each other and exhibits novelty in meeting allowing faster calculation with few steps[3][4].

#### 2.2 Texture-Based Identification Of Ovarian Cancer

In digital images, texture refers to the spatial interrelationships and understanding of image pixel intensities or gray levels. As described above, texture visible in normal ovarian tissue images exhibits normal recurring or rather intermittent cellular patterns, while texture experimental in the cancerous tissue images exhibit unmanageable and heterogeneous cellular patterns. This translates to texture patterns being characterized by their spatial intensity circulation. To detain the differences in the gray-level intensity distributions we calculated texture features based on first-order statistics, spatial gray-level dependence matrices, and spatial-frequency content[1].

Auto-segmenting two-dimensional images of the ovary into non-ovarian, normal ovarian, and abnormal ovarian regions is necessary when using ultrasonic image to detect ovarian cancer. The texture-based segmentation method obtainable here is a pixel classifier based on four texture energy eventslinked with each pixel in the images. The 25 two-dimensional characteristic masks are derived from 3 basic one-dimensional vectors to estimate the classification results. Four of those features are selected as the bases for the automated clustering process[7]. The segmented images formed as the result of applying the algorithm to an example image are obtainable and discussed. The automatic clustering algorithm with these texture-feature masks has been established to seize as an automated segmentation technique for ultrasonic ovarian images. Exclusive features and the underlining hypotheses of how these features may transmit to the tumor physiology in coregistered ultrasound and Photoacoustic images of ovarian tissue are introduced. The images were first compacted with wavelet transform. The mean Radon transform of Photoacoustic images was then computed and essential with a Gaussian function to locate the centroid of an apprehensive area for shift-invariant recognition method. Twenty-four features were extracted from a training set of several methods, including Fourier transform, image statistics, and different compound filters. The features were selected from more than 400 training images obtained from 33 ovaries of 24 patients, and used to train three classifiers, counting comprehensive linear model, neural network, and support vector machine (SVM).

### 3. PRE-PROCESSING

The pre-processing of breast, prostate, cervix and ovarian ultrasound images consists of noise reduction and image enhancement. Speckle in the form of noise generated by a number of scatterers with random phase within the resolution cell of the ultrasound beam. Noise reduction techniques are used such as Wavelet based techniques are used to reduce image contrast and detailed resolution in ultrasound ovarian image.

**Wavelength Domain Techniques**

The discrete Wavelength transforms (DWT) translate the image into the sub band consisting of a set of details sub band orientation and resolution scale wavelet coefficient. It is a best method for separating noise from an image.
Wavelet Shrinkage
It is based on thresholding. It suppresses the coefficient noise and enhances the image features. The drawback of thresholding methods is different of threshold is usually done manually.

Wavelet de-speckling under Bayesian network
It contains Bayesian rules, here we apply the Wavelet coefficient statistics. This approach assumes that $p$ is a random variable with PDF. The two sided comprehensive Nakagami Distribution (GND) is used to replicate the speckle wavelet coefficient or modelled by generalized Gaussian distribution (GGD). The disadvantage of Wavelet de-speckling under Bayesian network is that is relies on the prior distribution of the noise free image.

Wavelet filtering and diffusion
This method is used to reduce speckle noise. Wiener filtering is applied in the wavelet domain. Different speckle images in the image domain and wavelet domain is obtainable. It compared wavelet coefficient shrinkage and several standard filters. The disadvantage of wavelet based de-speckling method is the time complexity is increased during transform operations.

4. SEGMENTATION
In segmentation methods divide the image into a number of small segments. The goal of segmentation is to identify the correct areas and to analyze the diagnosis. Unsupervised segmentation is used to predict the prognosis and segment vascular stained region is effectively and accurately segment the region.

5. TEXTURE FEATURES
Spatial-Frequency Based Features
The ultrasound images suggest the derivation of texture features from the Fourier power spectrum of the image. It is obvious that such recurring patterns will result in higher energy in convincing frequency ranges in the spatial frequency domain. Extracting texture features in the spatial frequency domain entail the computation of the fast Fourier transform (FFT) of the image and the computation of features as summations over regions of the spatial-frequency plane. Since rotation-invariance is preferred in this application, summing energy values between convinced frequency ranges in an annular fashion (in Fourier space) is used. The difficulty, though, is that the FFT proceedacompilation that does not basically allow summation of energy values in a circular fashion. Implementation of this technique is likely, but an abstractly easier option is obtainable.

6. FEATURE SELECTION
Feature selection is debatable the most vital step in the pattern recognition scheme intends cycle. In organize to intend an ordered classification system, one has to select features that are the most successful in capturing the salient differences between the texture classes (normal and cancerous).

Forward Sequential Search (FSS)
FSS is one of the most general search techniques and has been often applied to select a set of features rapidly. This procedure adds features one at a time, at each step, selecting the feature that maximizes the criterion function. The method determines when the desired number of features (i.e. 5) is achieved. In this study, we used the parametric Mahalanobis distance standard for measuring feature set discrimination. The metric is attractive because under Gaussian class-conditional probability densities, the probability of error is inversely proportional to the Mahalanobis distance.

Non-parametric Method (NPM)
In the non-parametric method, the routine of the k-NN classifier is preferred as the measure for feature selection. The feature selection algorithm works as follows: in the first step, the feature with the highest individual classification accuracy or the lowest error rate is selected. Classification accuracy of the k-NN classifier is estimated using the leave-one-out error estimation technique. Subsequently, the feature that, in combination with the previously selected feature, gives the lowest error rate is selected. As before, the process continues until the desired number of features (i.e. 5) has been selected. To determine the optimal value for the parameter $k$ of the k-NN algorithm, for each feature set several experiments were conducted using various values ($k = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9$). The peak classification accuracy was achieved with $k = 7$ for this data set.

 Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
The purpose of PCA is to obtain a new set of features (in decreasing order of importance) that are linear combinations of the original variables and are interrelated. Essentially, it compresses the discriminatory information of interest into significantly fewer dimensions, approximating the true distribution in a mean-squared sense. In this study, the data were projected into the subspace of the five most significant principal components.
7. MACHINE CLASSIFIERS

K-Nearest-Neighbor (k-NN)

The K-NN algorithm is a simple, non-parametric classifier that classify patterns by conveying them to the class that is most greatly represented in the “votes” of the k nearest samples. As it is necessary to allocate assurance measure to each example in addition to the conventional binary decision (normal/cancerous). To make easy such a probabilistic measure, that calculates the k-nearest-neighbors for each sample and assign a confidence using the following rule:

\[ p = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \exp \left( -\frac{d_i^2}{\sigma^2} \right) c_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \exp \left( -\frac{d_i^2}{\sigma^2} \right)} \]

Where are the distances to the k nearest samples from the test sample, is the mean of and the class labels of the k nearest neighbors. For the two-class case, we chose for normal samples and for cancerous samples. The resulting confidence measure is a number ranging from zero (normal) to one (cancerous).

8. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we developed a Medical Image Processing Technique to facilitate the identification of ovarian cancer from ultrasound images. The techniques developed in the four stages of pre-processing, segmentation, feature extraction, and classification are summarized. It is useful for the researches in image processing and radiology.

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