A SURVEY ON COMPUTERIZED DETECTION, QUANTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF LUNG DISEASE

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Abstract— Lung is the complex organ that consists of spongy, elastic tissue equipped with structures that infuse our blood with fresh oxygen while ridding it of carbon-dioxide. This paper provides a comprehensive survey of Computer-Aided Diagnosis System (CAD) for early detection of lung disease. Lung diseases are mainly occurred as airway disease, lung tissue disease and lung circulation disease are studied. In the computerized detection and classification of lung image five main methodologies are used. They are image preprocessing, segmentation, feature extraction, feature selection and classification. The comparisons with these methods are described in tab

Keywords— Computer Aided Diagnosis System, Feature Extraction, Feature Selection, Classification.

I. INTRODUCTION

In radiology, Computer Aided Detection (CAD) also called computer aided diagnosis is the procedures in medicine that helps to assist the doctors in the interpretation of medical images. Imaging techniques in general X-ray, MRI and Ultrasound diagnostics provide a great deal of information, in which radiologist has to analyze and evaluate the disease in a short time. CAD system helps to scan the digital images (example from the computed tomography) that identifies and diagnosing the disease [1]. CAD is a relatively young interdisciplinary technology which combines the digital image processing with radiological image processing and artificial intelligence. A most typical application involves a detection of tumor.

In recent years, some hospitals are using CAD to support the preventive measures for medical check-ups in mammography (diagnosing breast cancer) and the lung cancer. In the present stage of this technology does not replaces the doctor instead it helps them to draw conclusion about the condition and severity of disease. Various applications of CAD include the detection following factors

- Clustered micro-calcifications in mammograms,
- Intracranial aneurysms in magnetic Resonance Angiography
- Interval changes in successive whole-body bone scans

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II. LUNG DISEASE

Lung diseases are most common medical condition to detect and diagnose in the world [9]. Ten millions of people suffer by lung disease in U.S. Smoking, genetics and infections are the most common lung disease. The lungs are part of a complex apparatus, expanding and relaxing thousands of times each day to bring in oxygen and expel carbon dioxide. The lung diseases are detected in various kinds of image based on choosing the 3D and 2D features. Some of them are Computed Tomography (CT) [1], High Resolution Computed Tomography (HRCT) [2], Multi Detector Computed Tomography (MDCT) each has special view that helps to diagnose.

The various lung diseases are

- Lung Disease Affecting the Airways (Bronchial Signs)
- Lung Disease Affecting the Air Sacs (Alveoli)
- Lung Disease Affecting the Interstitium
- Lung Disease Affecting the Blood Vessels
- Lung Disease Affecting the Pleura
- Lung Disease Affecting the Chest Wall

2.1 Emphysema

Emphysema is a long-term (chronic) lung disease and a main type of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. People with emphysema have difficulty breathing due to a limited ability to blow air out. The most common cause of this disease is smoking. It is measured by the aberrations of PF tests. [3]

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2.3 Lung Disease

There are many disorders when parenchyma is affected and is commonly referred as diffuse parenchyma lung disease (DPLD) or Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD) [2].

III. METHODOLOGY

The most common methodology in the CAD system has been shown in the Fig.1.

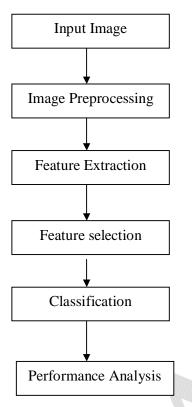


Fig 1: Computer Aided Detection System

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2.4 Preprocessing

Preprocessing reduce the bugs in the image, improving the image quality by leveling (e.g. using different exposure parameter) and removes the noise according to our process it will change. After the preprocessing, segmentation can be done depending on our process [4].

2.5 Feature Extraction

In common, feature extraction helps to retrieve the desired image from a large collection based on the features extracted from the image. The features will vary based on the image (2D or 3D). The feature extracted from the 3D image are described in [4] and 2D features in [3] [5]. Texture Descriptors helps to extract the features .In [2] described about two descriptors for extracting texture and gradient features.

2.6 Feature Selection

Feature Selection is done after the feature extraction to select the optimal features to factors for better classification [4].

2.7 Classification

Featured values are combined and calculate a feature vector to classify the given image based on the training set [3] [2]. The various kind of classification algorithms are

- KNN
- SVM
- PASA
- Bayesian Classifier

IV.

• Artificial Neural Network

LITERATURE REVIEW

Emphysema is detected by the low-attenuation values and varies as Paraseptal emphysema (PSE) and centrilobular emphysema (CLE). In [6] the author proposed a KNN classifier to identify the CT image as normal tissue, Centrilobular emphysema based on the texture feature analysis. Rotation invariant LBP (Local Binary Patterns) and rotation invariant GFB texture features are calculated. Based on the above two features a feature histogram is calculated. In which the sequential forward selection algorithm has been applied after which classified with an accuracy rate of 95.2% and qualitative measure of emphysema is derived. It has achieved high correlation with Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) than with other standard measure such as relative area (RA) of emphysema.

Detecting the Diffuse Lung Disease (DLD) in the High Resolution Computed Tomography (HRCT) is difficult even for the radiologist due to its high complexity. In order to overcome it, the author [7] proposed a bag of words approach for detecting and diagnosing DLD pattern. The set of statistical measure of local features are calculated from both Eigen values and CT values of Hessian matrices is commonly called bag of word approach. Considering the local feature alone provide the high recognition rate of 95.85% than the global feature. Finally, SVM classifier classified the HRCT image as normal tissue, consolidation, ground glass opacity; honey combing, emphysema and nodules based on the concept of Bag of word approach. The local features in this paper are extracted from 3D Region of Interest (ROI) where in the paper [6] considered the 2D ROI.

Computed Tomography (CT) plays a role in becoming the modality of choice for lung images and High Resolution. Computed Tomography (HRCT) only samples a small portion of Lung Parenchyma (LP) [8]. The Multi Detector Computed Tomography (MDCT) allows the acquisition of volumetric datasets that helps for enabling visualization, characterization

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Citations	Purpose	Image	Categories	2D/3D	Classifier	Result
[6]	Texture	СТ	Normal,	2D	KNN	Obtained 95.2%
	classification		Centribular emphysema,			accuracy
	into 3 classes		Paraseptal emphysema			
[7]	Bag of words	HRCT	Normal, consolidation,	2D/3D	SVM	Achieved the
	approach for		Ground glass opacity,			recognition rate of
	classifying into		Honey combing,			95.85%
	6 types of		Emphysema,			
	disease		Nodular			
[8]	Identification	MDCT	Normal, ground glass,	3D	-	Performance are
	and		Recticular patterns			evaluated in the
	characterization					metrics of volume
	of lung					overlap, true
	parenchyma					positive, false
						positive on the
					933	scanned image
[5]	Detection and	Conventional	Detect TIB patterns	2D	-	Experimental
	quantification	CT image				results achieved
	of Tree-In-Bud					90.96% accuracy
	opacities					
[9]	Classify lung	CT	Well circumscribed,	2D	SVM	Location of lung
	nodule into 4		Juxta-vascular,			nodule is found
	classes		Juxta-pleural,			
			Pleural-tail	¢.		
[10]	Classify into 4	MDCT	EC,MC,NC,NN,NS	2D/3D	Bayesian	Four text
	categories					procedures are
						done for
						classification

Table 1: Studies disease detection system

and quantification of lung anatomy. The Computer Aided Detection automatically identifies and characterizes the DPLD patterns in CT image and two main stages are carried out. They are segmentation and classification. Segmentation is done using the gray-level methods and classification is for classifying the tissue as normal and abnormal. The k nearest neighbor (KNN) voxel classification is done after the removal vessel tree volume for efficient characterization of lung parenchyma. With the help of volume overlap the performances are evaluated.

Computer Aided Detection system is developed to detect and quantify the Tree in Bud (TIB) opacities of CT scan. With the help of b-scale filtering and scale selection it provide the fast localization of candidate TIB pattern and combine both shape and the texture features to identify the TIB patterns. The shape features are used since it helps to achieve high detection rates and described the usefulness of Wilmore energy property [5]. In pulmonary CT, L.Sorensen [9] proposed a fully automatic data driven approach for texture based quantitative analysis of COPD. The quantitative measure is done on the individual Region of Interest by calculating its properties. The multiscale rotation invariant Gaussian filter bank is done on the ROI texture. Finally the KNN classifier is carried to classify 200 independent images in the data set.

The identification of malignant cancer is found with the location of lung nodule. The process involves two steps. First labeling the voxels and classifies it into either foreground or background through a single graph cut algorithm. Second, learning is done based on the content characterization. The image taken for the classification is CT image. The overall result provides a good labeling performance based on the contours of nodes. In the surrounding parenchyma, mislabeling arise in some area with the faint vessel structures. The publicly available Early Lung Cancer Action Program (ELCAP) database is used. The graph model is

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constructed for labeling by using a conditional random field [10].

Xu,Y.[4] described about differentiating normal lung from subtle pathologies through MDCT. The differences are obtained by extending the 2D texture features to use the 3D features. The classification is done to find the smokers, nonsmokers, mild emphysema, emphysema and the normal tissue patterns. The volumetric features in MDCT image are extracted and optimal features are selected and classified. The comparative studies of all the papers are shown in the Table.1 with their purpose.

V. CONCLUSION

A computer aided detection methodologies are developed for earlier disease detection and treatment stages, the time factor was taken in account to discover the abnormality tissues in the required image. Improving Image quality and accuracy is a core factor of this study and showed the comparison. The image quality assessment and enhancement stages are adopted on pre-processing, the most commonly used technique is Gabor filter. The Region of Interest features are extracted from the segmented region. All the process gives varying results based on the techniques used. In further study changing the optimized algorithm in the methodology process will provide an improved performance.

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