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ABSTRACT
Every year, numerous wildfires occur worldwide, leading to detrimental impacts on forests, economies, and societies. To mitigate these losses, aside from preventive measures, early warnings and swift responses are crucial. To address this, a novel computer vision strategy for detecting fire flames, intended for early-warning fire monitoring systems is presented. An initial background elimination and color evaluation-based non-parametric technique is used to identify potential fire zones inside a frame. Subsequently, the behavior of the fire is characterized by integrating diverse spatiotemporal attributes like color prospect, flickering, and spatial and spatiotemporal energy. Concurrently, dynamic texture analysis is employed within each potential area, making use of linear dynamical systems and a variety of system techniques. Enhancing the robustness of the algorithm, the constancy of space and time for every probable fire zone is estimated. This is achieved by leveraging information about the context from neighboring blocks across both present and preceding video frames. The SVM classifier is used to find out the potential areas where fire is detected. The identified fire is processed using machine learning algorithm. It can be noted from the results obtained that the machine learning algorithm used for detection provides a better situation for the presence of fire and smoke as compared with other method and the approach is reliable under such conditions.

KEYWORDS
Machine Learning (ML); Fire Detection; Support Vector Machine (SVM); human vision; camera; optimize

1. INTRODUCTION

Early fire detection techniques have recently attracted a lot of interest because fire is one of the most hazardous natural catastrophes that negatively affects people's lives all over the world [1]. The most sophisticated methods for automatically detecting forest fires before they spread are based on terrestrial, aerial or spaceborne (satellite) platforms. The use of terrestrial systems incorporating CCD surveillance cameras is highly regarded as the best technique for automatically spotting flames [2]. This is mostly because of their affordability, ability to capture high-resolution images, and rapid response capabilities. During the last decade, there has been a remarkable growth in research dedicated to video-based fire detection systems [3].

The use of camera to capture the image of a particular area to detect fire is a better solution in practical situation. The accuracy of detection is improved with the camera implementation. While the fire is represented as a model, it is necessary to consider its behavioral characteristics. In the fire detection, there are some challenges to be faced due its behavioral changes occurring in the video recordings. It is necessary to consider the unpredictable behavior of the fire and the complex nature of the randomly occurring fire in a place. The algorithms developed to represent the model of fire may not be able to provide the clear picture of the actual fire in the place. This is due to the complex and varying nature of fire as per the environment situation [4]. The presence of varying complex nature of fire has led the researchers to focus on methods to overcome the challenges in the fire. In this aspect, there are two important factors that need to be considered. In one of the approaches, the pattern of the flame during its flickering is detected over some time.

In the second approach, the color pattern of the flame is detected based on the situation [5]. The merging of these two factors can lead to do analyze the flame in a temporal and spatial manner. This could create an image matching with the actual happening in a situation with the video. This analysis is could reveal the actual flame in a place based on the situation with better precision. There are chances for misinterpretation of light due to sun, fluorescent lamps, LED lamps and its reflections. This makes the identification of flames a challenging situation in light differentiation. The poor quality of the video capture in the situation under consideration may not provide reliable flame light detection [6]. In order to overcome this false prediction, the pattern of light is analyzed using after considering the effect of audio effect in addition to video pattern. The mixing of audio content with video pattern for analysis help to get a better pattern to recognize the content. The accuracy of the individual frames of the mixed content is improved. The pattern developed with the mixing of audio and video content may tend to change with respect to time in its appearance. The pattern may not be able to provide the complete situation in sequence with this mixing pattern. There are some situations in which there will not have any change occurring as the time passes. The repetition of a pattern helps in different situation to analyze the video frames in many applications [7]. Generally, the fire detection is not using the dynamic analysis. This requires the resources for the processing of dynamic nature.

There should be quick operation of the fire detection system. There should not be delay in fire detection and analyzing the data. If the detection is using space time analysis, the time and power required to analyze the data is not recommended in the practical situation. As a result, fire detection algorithms typically utilize more lightweight and efficient techniques to achieve fast and reliable fire detection in various environments. In contrast to the aforementioned approaches, the current work combines both forms of flame modelling while incorporating additional features to enhance the fire detection process. These additional features are designed to provide the following. A novel approach to detecting flames is proposed by merging information from spatiotemporal flame modelling and dynamic texturing. To bolster the algorithm's resilience, The intensity variation of dynamical system is used to analyze the determine the pattern of flame. The features of flame like flickering, variation, color, etc., are analyzed. The proposed technique for dynamic texture categorization addresses three significant drawbacks found in LDS-based systems. Specifically, it accomplishes the following features. It employs redundant data reduction, effectively reducing the computing cost required for the examination of dynamic textures. It determines the precise time at which the fire occurs in the video stream. It precisely identifies the fire's location within the image. To achieve these objectives, the technique first eliminates non-candidate fire zones through a preprocessing phase and subsequently excludes candidate blocks outside of the given subsequence using a sliding temporal window. The exact location of the fire can be found out using advanced techniques. The spatiotemporal energy and flame modeling are used to find the fire location and the characteristic of fire [8].

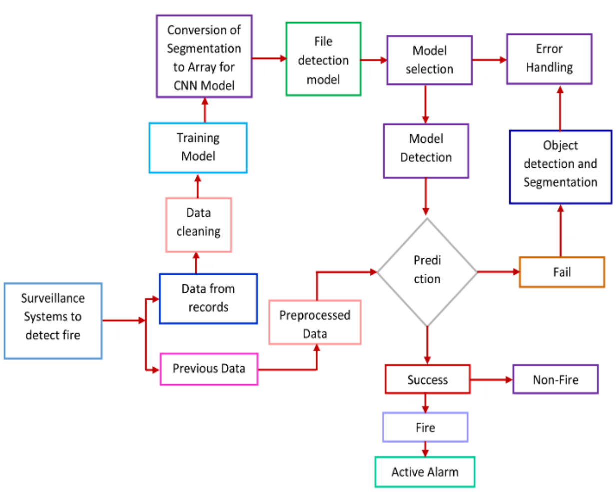

Fig. 1 Proposed System block Diagram

There are three characteristics required to find out the nature of flame. They are color pattern, flow rate of fire, change in size and shape of flame. The implementation of such system could detect the fire accurately. The space-time relation between these parameters for fire depends upon the time for each area. This is requires in analyzing the data about the fire region [9]. The presence of fire depends on the color in a particular area, the flickering nature and the intensity level of fire. The nature of the flame and its characteristics play a vital role in the detection of fire accurately. The integration of flame model and the pattern structure with the help of present and previous data can provide accurate information about fire detection. The cost required to detection of fire can be found out using price of the energy concept. This uses image processing to differentiate the pixels between images. In the case of 3D image model, algorithms are used to find the condition of the nearby block to get more information to derive the solution to the fire condition. The algorithm checks the nearby block behaviour, pixel, consistency position and time to test the natural behaviour of the flame. Data Cost considers the properties present in the current block. By examining specific characteristics, such as colour, motion, and flickering, the algorithm evaluates the likelihood of the block containing a flame region. Through the incorporation of spatiotemporal consistency energy, the suggested approach aims to more accurately recreate the spatiotemporal dynamics of flames and consider the local environment to increase the accuracy and reliability of flame identification. The methodology implemented for the development of the detection of fire is shown in figure.1. The system is developed to identify fire by detecting color. This is done using the camera. Image processing using a machine learning algorithm predicts the fire condition to provide proper intimation to the concerned person. Section 2 describes the work done already in the related field. The fire identification in a particular place is developed is summarized in section 3. In section 4, the methods implemented for the processing of the image identification is discussed. a cross-platform comparative performance is shown. Finally, the conclusion is given in Section 5.

2. RELEVANT WORK

Numerous researchers endeavour to discern diverse facets of flames to model fire behaviour. For instance, [10] proposed a method based on the use of spectral, three-dimensional, and time-based models of fire zones in visual picture patterns, while [11] utilized an RGB colour model and measures of disorder. By examining the footage in the wavelet domain, [12] unearthed fire flickering alongside the usual motion and colour cues. They exposed semi-periodic patterns in flame boundaries using periodic wavelet transforms. Additionally, they harnessed spatial wavelets of moving fire-coloured regions to detect colour variations in flame regions. In the work [13], the time-dependent movement of flames using a concealed Markov model is discussed. They separated the flickering of the flame from the motion of moving objects coloured like the flame by using a number of Markov models to look at the spatial colour changes in the flame. FFT (Fast Fourier Transform) and wavelet analysis were used to develop a fire detection system employing contours [14]. Their method distinguishes between fire regions and contour features using the FFT technique while examining the generated Fourier descriptors through temporal wavelet analysis. [15] discusses a rule-driven basic colour model, offered an alternate strategy for categorizing flame pixels. Instead of relying on RGB colour spaces, they made use of the YCbCr colour space to more effectively discriminate luminance from chrominance. They adapted and standardized RGB standards for the YCbCr colour space, as well as offered additional criteria to mitigate the adverse effects of shifting lighting. When [16] utilized the YUV colour model to describe video data, they identified potential fire pixels using the difference equation of the luminance element Y and determined their location in the fire sector using the chrominance elements U and V. Their study encompassed motion analysis in addition to evaluating the brightness and chrominance. [17] proposed a novel method for identifying possible fire zones by examining frame-to-frame fluctuations of several minimal factors such as colour, bounded regions, surface coarseness, and skewness. They utilized a Bayes classifier to integrate the behavioural changes of each characteristic, achieving high accuracy in fire detection. For the identification of fire flames, [18] proposed hierarchical Bayesian networks with intermediary nodes. Additionally, using fuzzy mechanics and density of chances for the features related to visual cues, they created a technique for identifying fireplace flames. This technology effectively manages continuous domains and offers a logical method for addressing uncertainty in computer systems. It blends Automata with fuzzy logic. The European-funded FP7 fire sensing project [19] recently created a slew of flame identification algorithms. [20] developed a colour, spatial, and chronological data-driven video-based flame detection system. They divided the video into spatiotemporal chunks and detected fire using covariance-based techniques. Furthermore, [21] proposed a video flame identification system that integrates several spatio-temporal variables for spotting fire. To differentiate between areas with and without fire, they applied two classification techniques: an SVM classifier and an approach based on rules. All the current methods are specifically developed to model fire behaviour by identifying prominent characteristics like flame flickering or the spatial arrangement of flame hues. They employ advanced classification techniques to effectively detect the presence of flames in video footage. The complex nature of fire and the wide variances in how flames appear on film, however, still cause issues in a lot of situations. In recent years, dynamic texture using 3D analysis algorithms has been employed for the effective recovery of video from multimedia databases, as well as the detection of dynamic phenomena. These dynamic textures are essentially spatially and temporally variable visual patterns that make up a whole picture sequence or a segment of an image with a given degree of temporal normality [22]. For modelling, learning, recognising, and synthesising dynamic textures, many strategies have been presented [23]. It is possible to divide a sequence of photographs of natural settings into distinct areas that share the same spatio-temporal statistics. The framework was used to infer the parameters of the Gauss-Markov models that were used to represent the spatio-temporal behaviour in every area and to determine the boundaries of the regions. More subsequently, a technique for classifying dynamic textures was presented by Ravichandran and others [24]. Each LDS used to represent each sequence of the video describes a tiny spatiotemporal region taken from the movie. This study proposes a new flame identification technique that builds on our earlier work [25] by simulating the development of the fire utilising a variety of spatiotemporal characteristics and utilising the latest developments in dynamic texturing analysis to strengthen the algorithm's reliability. To select the candidate areas (blocks) in the picture, the method first conducts background removal from the moving regions and colour analysis using a non-parametric statistic. Then, using several spatio-temporal characteristics including colour probability, spatial behaviour, flickering, and spatio-temporal behaviour, the fire behaviour is modelled. To reduce computational costs, only the potential fire regions in each frame within a time window undergo dynamic texture analysis using LDS (Local Dynamic Similarity) and a bag of systems. Additionally, spatiotemporal stability is calculated for every candidate fire area by accounting for the presence of surrounding a) candidate fire block in the prior frames b) fire block in the adjacent frames. The potential fire zones are finally classified using a two-class SVM classifier using an RBF kernel. Numerous approaches have been suggested for modelling, learning, identifying, and generating dynamic patterns [26]. [27] devised a strategy to segment sequences of natural scene images into distinct regions, characterized by consistent spatio-temporal statistical properties. Their method employed Gauss-Markov models to capture the space time analysis within the specified area, with variational minimization for parameter inference. In recent times, Ravichandran et al. [28] introduced a technique for categorizing variable frames. Their method uses an array of LDSs to represent each video clip, with each LDS expressing a discrete spatiotemporal region of the movie. This approach, referred to as BoS, is comparable to the BoF technique used in the identification of objects, with the exception that LDSs serve as feature descriptors. This paper presents an innovative fire detection approach that builds upon previous work [29]. It expands on fire behaviour modelling by incorporating diverse spatiotemporal characteristics and leveraging recent strides in dynamic texture analysis. Background elimination and colour analysis are used to find moving zones after building a non-parametric model. These regions are identified as candidate blocks within the image. Subsequently, fire behaviour is quantified by integrating multiple space time attributes like colour probability, fluctuating light, and spatial energy. The varying light analysis, specifically employing state space system and the BoS approach, is only applied to the likely fire zones in each frame within a certain duration save processing costs. Additionally, the method accounts for the presence of surrounding fire candidate frames, as well as past fire blocks, when calculating the spatiotemporal consistency of each candidate fire region. In the last stage, SVM classifier is employed to categorize the candidate fire zones.

3. IDENTIFICATION OF CANDIDATE FIRE REGIONS

Fire poses a significant threat, leading to substantial loss of life and property. Every year, numerous fire-related incidents occur worldwide due to factors like power failures, accidental ignition, and natural lightning. To combat these dangers, various fire control systems have been developed and are continually being refined. Currently, smoke detectors and sprinkler networks are two of the most common systems. The presence of smoke acts as a trigger for these devices to 1detect fire while for others it is meeting certain temperature level. One issue with these systems is that they have some disadvantages. There are a lot of issues with the current systems. These include false alarms, limited area coverage, signal transmission challenges and delayed activation of fire alarms. Something that is typically seen on a ceiling is smoke detectors, which delays over time because it takes time for the smoke to ascend and set off the alarm. Furthermore, erecting such systems in unfenced surroundings or in wide structures like stadiums or aircraft hangars is difficult because of the extensive overlap demanded by these expansive constructions. The most feasible way to go is using various image processing devices so that you can find fire flames. This technology can be used in wearisome areas with overmuch hotness areas where fire breaks are too common. In this regard, continuous monitoring of such high-risk areas becomes essential, and image processing can provide a practical solution. This technique improves awareness of particular situations because it provides correct information about the area. The pixels represent the tiniest discrete components within a digital image. In the realm of computers, images are essentially intricate combinations of binary digits—namely, ones (1) and zeros (0). These binary values form the basis upon which digital images are built and represented. To elaborate further, consider the example presented in Figure 1, illustrating an image of a cup. This visual aid aids in grasping the concept of an image's digital representation for a computer. The x-axis represents the rows here and the y-axis represents the columns. If each row and column were treated as a separate pixel, this image would have 63 pixels, or 7 rows by 9 columns. In the digital realm, an image can be envisioned as a matrix characterized by rows and columns, with each matrix element denoted as f[x, y]. Here, x and y symbolize two continuous variables, and the computer employs these values to pinpoint locations within the image. The equivalent value in the matrix determines the degree of darkness at that specific location. The cup picture is represented in grayscale in Figure 1. In grayscale images, computers assign a single value, either black or white, to each pixel. However, for coloured images, three distinct colour channels are used—Red, Green, and Blue (RGB). The computer gives each pixel a distinct value based on how dark it is. For instance, in Figure 1, when examining the grayscale image, the first pixel in the top row is white. The computer assigns a particular value to this individual pixel. Conversely, in the second column, the second pixel (denoted as pixel 2') is black, prompting the computer to attribute a distinct value to this pixel. As a result, computers translate an image into a collection of numerical values. Photos produced by these values can be recognized after further processing.

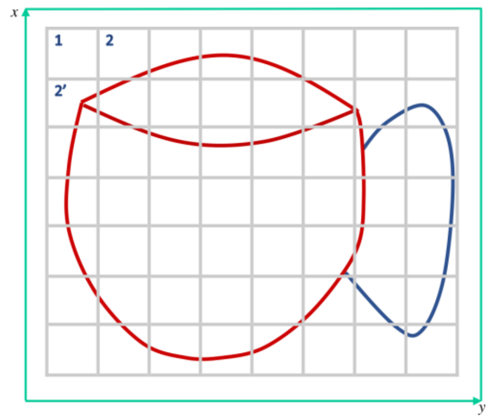

Fig. 2 An illustration of a cup in a grid

Image processing encompasses the manipulation of images through computational methods, aiming to extract data or information from the images and perform specific tasks associated with them. Within this domain, a picture in digital form is represented as a collection of both real and complex numbers, each quantized by a certain number of bits. This process can be denoted as the mathematical representation of an object, wherein a sequence of actions is conducted using various methods to get the required output. The evolution of image processing technology has ushered its integration into numerous pivotal research and development endeavours. These encompass domains such as engineering, medicine, transportation, criminal justice, photography, forecasting the weather, mobile technologies, and a multitude of other spheres. The following basic stages make up the phases in the image processing process. The initial phase in digital image processing is Image Acquisition, where an image is initially captured by a photosensor and subsequently directed to a digitizer for subsequent processing, culminating in the desired output. Within this progression, various procedures are carried out, including scaling, RGB-to-grayscale conversion, and pre-processing, all contributing to the final image outcome. Another integral facet is Image Enhancement, which entails modifying a digital image to manipulate its brightness and contrast, eliminate noise, and refine image sharpness. The core objective of image enhancement techniques is to accentuate image details, rendering the more appropriate picture for both display and analytical purposes, as depicted in Figure 2.

Fig. 3 Image enhancement

Image compression stands out as a pivotal facet within the realm of image processing. Typically, high-resolution images tend to possess a substantial size, demanding significant memory resources. Thus, the need arises to condense these images, especially for purposes such as handheld devices or conserving device memory.

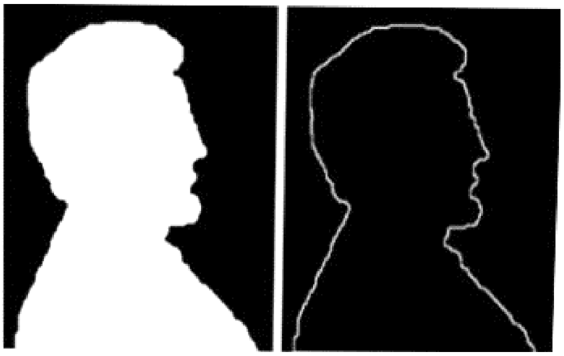

Fig. 4 Edge feature extraction from a binary image

This compression endeavour involves the elimination of image redundancy, effectively reducing the image's dimensions, a process aptly termed image compression. Morphological processing constitutes a valuable technique enabling the extraction of key image attributes, such as the recognition of faces and the identification of fingerprints. depicted in Figure 3, the process involves extracting edge characteristics from a binary picture. Correspondingly, in the realm of identification of fingerprints, distinct lines and patterns present within fingerprints are removed, facilitating accurate identification. Image segmentation involves the division of an image into distinct segments and parts, effectively identifying boundaries such as lines and curves.

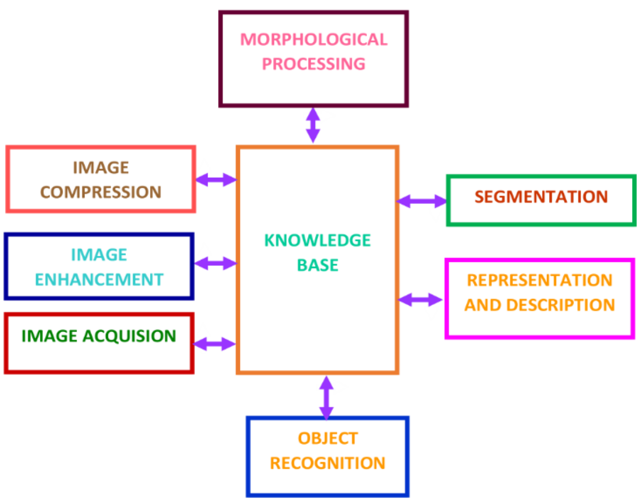

Fig. 5 Different phases of processing images

Additionally, this technique assigns labels to each pixel within the image. The implementation of segmentation streamlines image representation, transforming it into a more comprehensible and analysable format. This drastically contributes to simplifying and improving image interpretation. The importance of image segmentation is shown in its ability to group and classify objects in an image. As illustrated in Figure 3, an example of segmentation of images can be observed in text, where each word is segmented and delineated by a red rectangle. Identifying objects in a picture using computer vision technologies and labelling them is what object recognition means. To gain information one would in essence have to find specific areas with highly relative information. This approach is used to limit the range of search operations made to retrieve information. The process of knowledge extraction is complex and can range from simple cases such as identifying a specific area of interest in an image file to get information that is important. Update: The intricacy of extracting knowledge is varied, spanning such extremes as locating areas of interest in pictures for purposes fuller understanding. This can be much more complicated where, for example, you have to create a well-structured network which highlights some key flaws in the material inspection problem that involves having lots of images in a database (e.g., high-resolution photographs for some location). The key elements of the knowledge base that are covered by image processing are shown in the detailed representation given in Figure 5. Data is extracted and merged into the knowledge base through various elementary processes central to image processing. This consolidation strategy will make it easier for anyone to retrieve any information from the database.

4. IMAGE PROCESSING METHODS

Analog image processing is appropriate for analog signals and is used to process 2-D signals. Since analog image processing is characterized by time varying signals, the final results usually vary. These variations can also have an effect on other characteristics related to image quality, such as contrast or color saturation. On the contrary, digital image processing deals with digitally formatted signals that represent visual interpretation and manipulation. The approach gives better image quality. This includes being cost-effective, speedy and reliable among other advantages in using digital image processing technique. There are proficient methods of image compression that use data and maintain quality, resulting in lower data requirements. Image processing with light interaction of lens or mirrors creates optical photography. These interactions include reflection and refraction. This type of image processing is widely used in studying micro objects, and it is very important in learning about them. A colour model acts as mathematics for colour representation by having three or four different values for colour components. These blends of values depict how the individual parts should be understood when combined together. The colours possible from many images within this system make up what we call a colour space essentially acting as a point in a coordinates system dedicated to the colour specifying purpose and some sub-space. Essentially, a colour model functions as both a specification and a subspace within a coordinate system, with each colour being denoted by a unique point. The essence of a colour model lies in its ability to generate a comprehensive spectrum of colours using a compact set of primary colours. Both hardware and software-invokes these models, along with colour manipulation being a critical aspect of use which is very common. RGB colour model is often used in digital image processing applications like colour monitors or digital cameras. It is in the area of graphic design and printing where the CMYK colour model is most popular. A wide variety of colour models are available today to suit different requirements, needs, and uses. Notably, some important colour models used in image processing have specific functions. The additive colour model uses light to show colours. The RGB colour model is mainly used to create colours for electronic display systems like monitors, TV sets and such other display devices. In this model, various proportions of red, green, and blue are combined to make up different colours. Each pixel is described by three values, meaning the amount of intensity there is for Red, amount of Green, and Blue in the colour model RGB. These values are commonly referred to as channels. By altering the magnitude of these three colour components, a comprehensive spectrum of colours can be achieved. The RGB model operates within the framework of a Cartesian coordinate system. The conceptual representation in Figure 6 illustrates a cubic subspace where three vertices of the cube correspond to the colours magenta, cyan, and yellow. The values for RGB are typically assumed to range from 0 to 1. Within this cube, the origin (0,0,0) represents black, the point (0,0,1) resides on the Y-axis and signifies blue, the coordinates (0,1,0) denote green, and (1,0,0) designates red. A line is connecting two points within the cube, made in grayscale gradient from black to white.

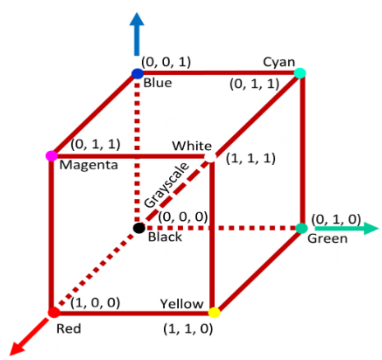

Fig. 6 Schematic of RGB colour

The images displayed on screens are formed through a combination of three fundamental colours: Red, Green, and Blue, abbreviated as RGB. Pixel depth represents the number of bits used to encode each pixel within the RGB colour space. Let's consider an image where the red, green, and blue components are each represented using 8 bits. In such a scenario, the pixel depth for each RGB colour pixel equals 24 bits. Consequently, the total gamut of colours achievable in a 24-bit image amounts to a substantial figure—specifically, (2^8), yielding a count of 16,777,216 distinct colours. This wide array of colours is illustrated in Figure 7 below. The CMYK colour model, also recognized as the subtractive colour model, revolves around the concept of absorbing or subtracting specific wavelengths from white light, which functions as the input source. Primarily applied in the realm of printing, this subtractive colour model employs the absorption or blocking of specific wavelengths to generate colours. CMYK stands for the four ink components: Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, and Key (Black), as depicted in Figure 8. Functioning predominantly in the printing context, the CMYK model operates by partially or completely masking colours on a background of light, usually white. When an object coated with the cyan colour is illuminated by white light, the surface does not reflect a red colour. This outcome is achieved by the cyan ink subtracting red light from the white light that is reflected. The white light itself is composed of red, green, and blue light components. In practice, the CMYK colour model finds extensive usage in printing devices. For the printing process, conversion from an RGB image (Red, Green, Blue) to CMYK becomes necessary. This conversion is typically carried out using matrix operations, ensuring that the colour representation is accurately transformed for the printing medium.

$$\begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} C \\ M \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \tag{1}$$

YUV serves as a prominent colour encoding system, predominantly employed within the colour image pipeline. This encoding system finds its role positioned between an image source (such as a camera) and an image renderer (like display systems). Within the YUV model, a distinct colour space is defined. This space is characterized by three components: Y represents luminance, while U signifies chrominance associated with the blue projection, and V denotes chrominance linked to the red projection.

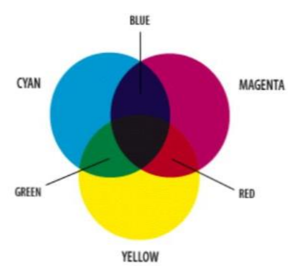

Fig. 7 CMY colour mode

This inherent separation of luminance and chrominance has led to its alternate designation as the Luminance/Chrominance colour system. By dissociating luminosity from colour, the YUV model determines the colour makeup of a given image. In practical terms, luminosity data is accommodated in the Y channel, while the UV channels bear different content. The U channel results from subtracting the Y component from the blue amount in the image, while the V channel is generated by subtracting the Y component from the red amount. The standardized formula to convert RGB to YUV is detailed below.

$$Y = 0.299R + 0.587G + 0.114B \tag{2}$$

$$U = 0.492(B - Y) \tag{3}$$

$$V = 0.877(R - Y) \tag{4}$$

YUV stands out as a highly efficient alternative in the realm of image processing and its applications when compared to conventional RGB display systems. This efficiency arises due to the YUV colour encoding's reduced susceptibility to transmission errors compared to RGB. Its effective reduction is attributed to leading optimally utilization of bandwidth by YUV model. Within the field of computer science and technology, the study of computer vision is key because it gives computers the ability to see, recognize, interpret and manipulate the objects are around them. Basically, computer vision aims to understand and interpret things like a human, thereby enabling educated decisions. Despite its complexity, this field manages to make it possible for computers to identify and comprehend images from their environment, as humans do in their everyday life. Humans have through the course of evolutionary history combined a lot of environmental knowledge over time that extends to over a thousand years constituting a vast store of memory and data which computers are without. Despite this, the ever-present advancements in computer technologies have given them access to a vast databank in their memories, helping them get smarter when it comes initially recognizing visuals. Commonly, computer vision is associated with artificial intelligence since it is imperative that your computer be able to see and understand its surroundings but have abilities to do things like analyze objects, compare them against known datasets through processes that include identification or recognition of patterns. Computer vision depend on the relatively fast progress of machine learning and artificial intelligence. Object detection technology, which is a sub category of computer vision, can be found in various fields. The comprehensive nature of this field is quite evident, appearing to extend into the most remote areas of the universe, for example, where it is used in the control of space vessels and forecasting climate conditions through computerized means. The encoding of this increasingly universal scope within the domain of computer vision research can be appreciated from the simple cases of face recognition for phone unlocking or door opening at its lower levels all through to cellular processes like division or DNA structure observation on higher scales; even though AI is mostly perceived by many people as something we have already seen much about today, this shows how far reaching such technology could stretch in future. Computer vision divides the boundary across which technology is merged with human-like perception, thus creating unlimited possibilities and applications in different areas.

4.1 Machine Learning

Machines can accomplish narrow goals without specific programming via algorithms and statistical models. There is no data-derived patterns and inferences dictate these system behaviour. It involves the gathering of data when crafting a machine learning algorithm and then building a mathematical model. This is a basic model for prediction and making decisions based on mathematical expressions. Machine learning is applied in many different fields. Machine learning from object detection to package sorting, document filtering and pattern prediction achieves higher accuracy beyond human limits even as it reduces the time taken to perform tasks. Machine learning functions as the way through which computers acquire information and learn by imitating human-like behaviour, all without the use of explicit programming. In other words, machine learning is part of a scientific effort that aims to help machines learn from data and information in a way that is similar to human thinking so that they can thereby become able to make decisions. The supervised learning operates with proper guidance. Data containing known target answers is referred to as label data. In this procedure, the device will have obtained knowledge of the complex relationships among elements such as colour or shape as well as size. This way of learning relies on feedbacks in which a machine adapts its understanding according to the these errors made by predicting something different from what really happened. Mostly, supervised learning uses decision trees, logistic regression, and support vector machines to make learning and prediction possible by enabling systems to identify and categorize entities according to their characteristics. Unsupervised learning works with data that does not have labels and enables the algorithm to discern the inherent patterns and generate the responses. Upon being presented with data that is not labelled by humans, the machine tries first to understand the patterns and structures embedded as well as possible. It then made different clusters according to their similarity because it has started identifying characteristics that go together within these different examples. While very different in nature and purpose, k-means clustering, hierarchical clustering, and the apriori algorithm are some of the algorithms that are most influential of unsupervised learning. Reinforcement learning, another paradigm, is derived from supervised learning. It is worth noting that these two methodologies are two different entities. The outcome is predetermined in supervised learning but reinforcement learning entails unknown outcome. Despite that, reinforcement learning aims at finding the best way to get the output that you want. The process centres on a reward-based learning framework. Reinforcement learning is about an agent that alternates between actions and experiences. Hence, it can discover either rewards or errors. There is no existing data in unsupervised learning. The input depends on the actions taken by the agent. Data stores such actions which effectively becomes memory of agents. When the agent revealed in its surroundings, the agent gathers data as this data in turn influences the following output. In this context, reinforcement learning algorithms such as Q-Learning and SARSA are important.

4.2 Object Detection

Object detection is crucial in computer vision; it is the process of finding and identifying objects in an image, video, or camera feed, and the precise information on their positions, often classified into particular classes. Object detection is the central part of computer vision because it refers to finding and classifying objects in images, videos or camera streams with details about their positions usually grouped into specific categories. Across a great variety of applications exercise in enhanced efficiency, security and speediness, this technology dominates. Its pervasive application to video surveillance, facial recognition, autonomous vehicles, cell enumeration and more makes it all-inclusive. In a time controlled by advanced learning, item discovery has overcome previous complications and manual labour. Before deep learning was advanced, intricate and multi-step procedures were needed by prior historians for object detection. A huge accomplishment was reached when viola-jones algorithm was found as the first significant force in facial recognition. It was proved by the use of a webcam that the algorithm is able to identify faces. When it comes to different angles or faces looking down, it was less effective.

A similar algorithmic foundation is responsible for the fundamental framework for fire detection in this project considering the viola-jones algorithm. This shows how technology evolution can inspire and guide new advancements in all types of unrelated research streams.

5. METHODOLOGY AND ALGORITHM

Haar-Cascade classifier is a popular technique used in the domain of fire detection for identifying materials in image and video streams. Paul Viola and Michael Jones invented this algorithm, which is sometimes referred to as the Viola-Jones algorithm. The integration of Haar-like features and cascade classifiers hinges on principles of machine learning. Building a cascade classifier for detecting fire involves an in-depth training process with numerous labelled images that are categorized as either positive or negative. Pictures with fire are positive, whereas images without fire are negative. In the training phase, more than 150 images were used in the repository, 75% of the dataset was composed of positive images and the rest were negative images. As there is an indication to enhance efficient learning, it should be noted that there were more negative images compared to positive images. This forward-looking move is in harmony with the pattern-based strategy that defines the cascade classifier. The fire detection algorithm comprises two unique sections, which are detection and training. The stages are responsible for the following sequence of specific processes. A collection of positive images and negative images is uploaded to the training in order to build the cascade classifier. The algorithm can distinguish important characteristics related to fire detection using positively categorized fire-related images and fire-absent negative images. A cascade classifier is created with great care, through iterative processes aimed at improving its skill to detect fire under various circumstances. When training, the algorithm undergoes numerous cycles helping it improve on precision and recall percentages through progressive enhancement of the algorithm's power in discrimination. Once the cascade classifier is established, the algorithm enters the detection stage. Reviewing images and video feeds, it looks for patterns that tally with features based on heretofore learnt since it was programmed in aims of detecting any fire outbreaks. As the classifier is created progressively, the training algorithm of the algorithm aligns with different levels. It means refining the classifier over and over for it to be able to discriminate fire-related characteristics from noise in the background. Basically, the Haar Cascade classifier functions by merging machine learning, Haar-like features, and cascade classifiers in a way that it enables the system to identify fire hence promoting prompt response and security in multiple areas. The act of evaluating elemental features in an image is vital in the process of classifying images for fires. The starting point for initiating fire detection is transforming the image into grayscale. The beginning of fire detection is converting the image into grayscale. This transformation is preferred due to its simplicity when compared with RGB image data as well as greater efficiency. In the algorithm, an important step occurs in which a rectangular box showed is strategically placed to aid in the search for fire in the image. The image usually conveys the method of working with flames, as indicated in the picture by dotted lines around a certain gear. The box acts as an industry standard used to describe different Haar-like features, which is a basic idea of subsequent sections. Throughout discrete incremental processes the specific box automatically locates various attributes in the photo, these attributes include but not limited to fire edges and its brightness levels. Then, the collected data from these confined boxes is blended together to give a complete picture of where the wildfire has occurred. The ability of the algorithm to find the exact location of the fire in the image is enhanced by this data that is synthesized. Basically, this cyclic procedure typifies fire discovery where gray scale conversion, strategic box placement, feature detection interact harmoniously to provide an advanced method of recognizing fire incidences in different situations. The idea of a black-and-white rectangular Haar feature is explained by imagining a rectangle as grid of 16 smaller squares, each representing one pixel. In Figure 12a, the black intensity of every of these pixels is transformed into binary numbers; white is 0 and black is 1. However, it is important to note that real-world images seldom exhibit perfectly white or black pixels, as depicted more realistically in Figure 12b. In practical situations, the pixel values deviate from the idealized white and black intensities. To bridge the gap between the ideal and real scenarios, the algorithm employs a mathematical equation. This equation calculates a value for the specific feature being analysed. For instance, in the given case, the value for the real image is 0.52. A value closer to 1 signifies a higher likelihood of detecting a Haar feature.

Fig. 8 Applying Haar-features

It is worth emphasizing that this computation is executed on a small subset of pixels. However, in real-world applications, such intensive calculations are repeated numerous times. To optimize both speed and reliability, an integral image—an essential component—is utilized alongside these computations. This integral image mechanism contributes significantly to the efficiency and accuracy of the process.

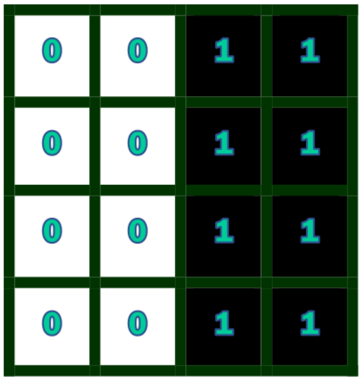

Fig. 9 Ideal Values

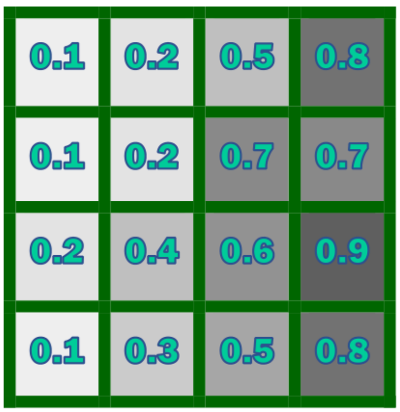

Fig. 10 Real Values

$$\Delta = dark - white = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{dark}^{n} I(x) - \frac{1}{n}\sum_{white}^{n} I(x) \quad (5)$$

Δ *for ideal image* : $1 - 0 = 1$

Δ *for real image* : $0.67 - 0.15 = 0.52$

The integral image emerges as a pivotal component in expediting calculations within the approach. This acceleration becomes crucial due to the vast number of pixels that necessitate computation—often numbering in the thousands. When implementing rectangular Haar features, the process involves subtracting the sum of pixels on the unshaded sides of rectangles from the sum of pixels on the shaded side. For even moderately sized images, the sheer abundance of features to consider (more than 160,000 for a 24x24 image) necessitates an efficient strategy. Given that the algorithm iterates through all these features, the challenge lies in devising a method to compute them swiftly.

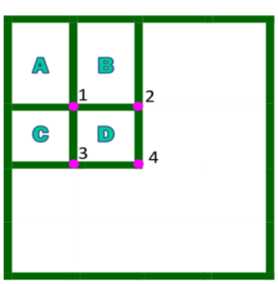

Fig. 11 Pixel area in rectangle

To address this challenge, the concept of the integral image is introduced, illustrated in Figure 13. This representation encompasses the areas of pixels within the rectangle. The summation of pixels within rectangle D is derived with reference to four arrays. Specifically, the value at position 2 corresponds to A+B, the value at position 3 to A+C, and the value at position 4 to A+B+C+D. Consequently, the sum within pixel D can be calculated using the formula 4+1-(2+3). This computation yields the true value of the region, negating the need for repetitive calculations during subsequent iterations. The integral image mechanism substantially diminishes the time otherwise required for pixel computations. The addition of all the pixels for an image in the area gives the feature evaluation for quick implementation in the classifier. With the determination of pixels in the corner values, the summation of pixels in an area can be found out using the algorithm. This provides quick solution for the computation to be done. This method makes the algorithm to quicken the process and eliminates the repetition of the same work. After images have had their contained features extracted from, the machine is made ready for detection. During the training process, it is exposed to a lot of information to help it become better at predicting these features in input data. In order to enable this, pictures are shrunken to a small 24x24 scale, which helps in detection of characteristics by the algorithm. For successful machine training, a wide range of images on fire is needed to cover various contexts such as diverse fireplaces, conditions of fire, and positive instances. In addition to this the negative images is used when there is no fire. These negative images assist in differentiating between the two categories. This distinction helps the algorithm decide between features that indicate fire and those which do not. Thus, the use of cascading technique with AdaBoost method is proposed to improve the classification and increase the accuracy of flame detection. AdaBoost operates as a learning technique, instructing a classifier by choosing repeatedly the best subset of characteristics.

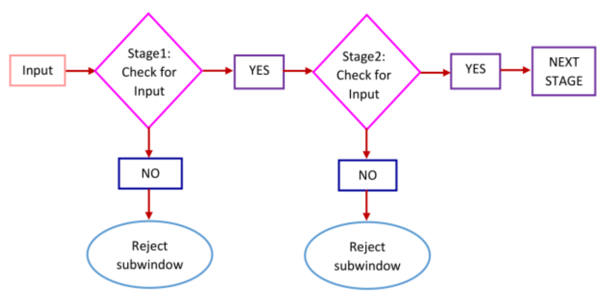

Fig. 12 Cascade detection

Analysing the data is the process in which one carries out in order to distinguish true negatives from false positives. The core equation, F(x) = a1f1(x) + a2f2(x) + ..., exemplifies the concept. Here, F(x) signifies the strong classifier, while a1f1(x) and a2f2(x) represent weak classifiers. In this equation, a1 and a2 denote the weights, and f1 and f2 represent the features. Thus, the formidable classifier is a composite of several weak classifiers. The strength and accuracy of the algorithm grow as multiple weak classifiers are integrated, a strategy known as ensemble learning. A

Cascade classifier is a technique employed to enhance identification accuracy. It functions through a series of stages, each incorporating a strong classifier. These powerful classifiers are successively applied to the data. The features to be detected are grouped into these distinct stages, with each stage containing a specific set of features. This multi-stage approach is designed to efficiently ascertain whether a given input sub-window contains fire-related features. If a sub-window lacks these features, it is swiftly discarded, avoiding further processing in subsequent stages. Figure 14 provides a visual representation of this cascade detection process. Notably, instead of employing all available features (often numbering over 6000) within a window, the features are grouped into various stages of classifiers. The cascade classifier operates sequentially. Initially, the initial stages contain a relatively small number of features. If a sub-window fails to meet the detection criteria at any stage, it's immediately discarded, preventing unnecessary processing. On the other hand, if a sub-window successfully passes through all the feature stages, it's identified as containing fire. This cascade approach significantly improves the efficiency of the detection process by rapidly eliminating non-relevant regions and focusing computational efforts on the most promising areas for feature detection.

6. ALGORITHM

The initial phase involves training the classifier, as previously mentioned. Crafting a highly accurate classifier demands a considerable amount of time and computational resources. However, for our purposes, a limited number of images were employed. Following the training of the fire cascade classifier, the frames captured by the webcam are transformed into grayscale. This conversion is essential because webcam-captured frames are typically in RGB colour format.

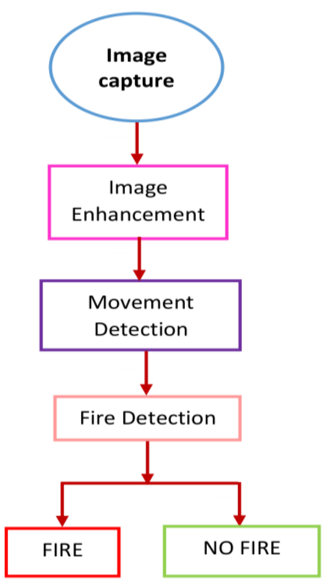

Fig. 13 Flow Chart

Given that RGB images consist of three colour channels, converting them into grayscale reduces the information to a single channel, encompassing varying shades of black and white. This grayscale format simplifies subsequent processing tasks. Once the conversion is complete, the fire classifier comes into play using the built-in function "detectMultiScale". This function is instrumental in identifying features within the image and pinpointing their locations. It requires parameters such as the scale factor and minimum neighbours. These parameters hold substantial significance in the fire detection process. The scale factor is employed to construct a scale pyramid. During classifier training, images of a fixed size are utilized. The scale factor permits the resizing of input frames, facilitating fire detection across various scales. The "minNeighbors" parameter influences the image quality threshold. In the fire detection algorithm for feature extraction, seven neighbours are detected in the vicinity of the object to reduce the false positives. In the application of webcam for fire detection, the coloured images are converted into grayscale images to simplify the computation. These grayscale images are send to classifier to detect the fire.

7. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Python programming language, lauded for its high-level nature and user-friendly syntax, is the language in which the application is developed. Especially when compared with languages like C, C++, or Java, Python is liked because of how easy to read and write it is. Understanding and writing code could be a little bit daunting because there are intricate grammar and coding methods involved in most of these languages. On the other hand, python needs fewer lines and it gives preference to simplicity and compatibility. Its support for various frameworks and libraries makes the language versatile, providing developers with enough resources to start and finish projects. It is worth noting that libraries such as NumPy are very important when dealing with operations on arrays having multiple dimensions. Moreover, the matplotlib library comes in handy when visualizing data and statistical analysis, breaking down complex data sets. The feature to algorism this language easily, makes Python very popular among people working on scientific experiments and projects. It has particularly been in fields like Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence that it has come to be otherwise referred as AI. OpenCV library that is open-sourced is essential for the tasks of image processing within this particular application. A cross-platform library supporting multiple programming languages e.g. Python, Java, C++, or C is OpenCV. Intel originally developed OpenCV; it is an open-source BSD license product. Incorporating video and image detection, deep learning, machine learning, human-computer interaction, 2D and 3D feature toolkits real-time computer vision applications have established it as a fundamental constituent of artificial intelligence technology today. Encompassing both computer vision and machine learning functionalities, the library has more than 2500 algorithms that can be found.

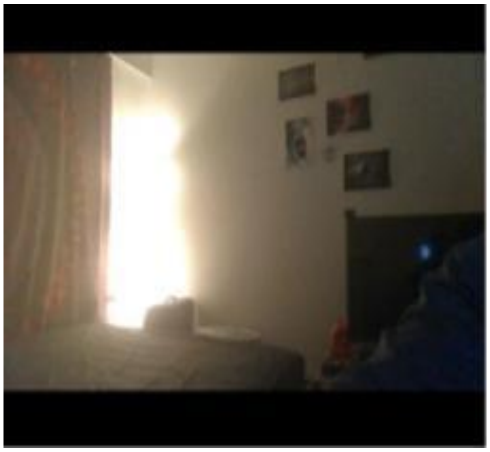

Fig. 14 A light with a fire-like colour

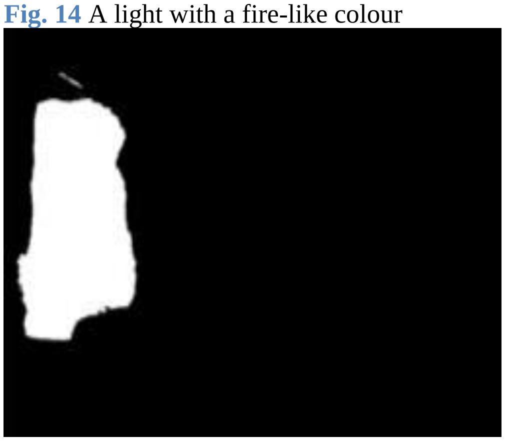

Fig. 15 Flame recognition is enabled by the same fire colour value

In consideration of safety concerns, the comprehensive testing of the system effectiveness was limited. As a result, for the prototype demonstration, a lighter was utilized as a simulated source of fire due to its similar features and characteristics. It is important to acknowledge that this approach comes with certain limitations. Notably, there are instances where the system detection exhibits errors, particularly when the fire source is positioned at a distance from the camera. This can be attributed to the flame size, which may lead to challenges in accurate detection. to mistakenly detect it as fire, as seen in Figure 21b.

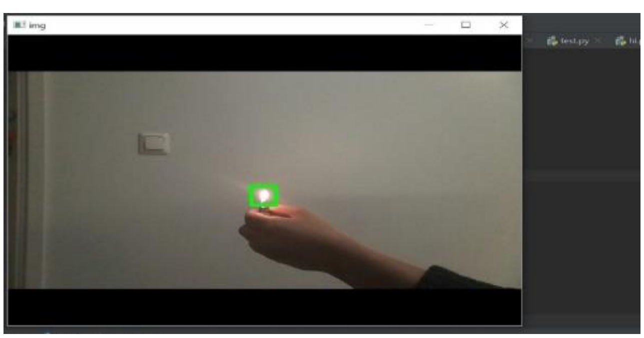

Fig. 16 Fire using machine learning algorithm

Table 1 Comparison of results

S. No.	Paper	Method	Architecture	Augmentation	Application	Accuracy
1.	[5]	DNCNN	Faster R – CNN	Present	Fire Detection	96.00
2.	[7]	HefficientDet	HefficientDet	Present	Fire Detection	98.35
3.	[9]	CNN	CNN	Present	Fire Detection	92.23
4.	[10]	CNN	YOLOv5	Present	Fire Detection	83.90
5.	[11]	ACNN	VGG-19	Present	Fire Detection	99.5
6.	[12]	CNN	YOLOv3	Present	Fire Detection	83.00
7.	[13]	RCNN	RCNN	Present	Fire Detection	93.70
8.	Proposed	CNN	CNN	Present	Fire Detection	94.60

Furthermore, an alternative methodology was explored, leveraging the RGB colour model concept. This approach involved extracting the Red, Green, and Blue componnnnnnnnnnnnnnents of each pixel in the frame using RGB filters. Subsequently, each pixel was subjected to conditions such as if R > G > B. If R > Rt (threshold value in the range of 0-255), determined by the ambient light intensity. However, the results of this methodology were moderate and fell short of complete success. The system tended to misidentify light sources with colour values resembling that of fire, as indicated in Figures 21a and 21b. These tests were conducted within a room environment. Notably, the light source in Figure 21a shared a colour value almost identical to that of fire, leading the system It is clear that while these initial attempts provided insights, the prototype demonstrated the need for further refinement and more comprehensive testing to achieve accurate and reliable fire detection capabilities. The use of the image processing identifies the type of light clearly from the natural sources with the help of algorithm developed using machine learning. In the detection of fire using image processing with machine learning involve the upload of photo from the camera. Then the picture is scanned by the software to sense the presence of fire. Analysis is done using the software predict the severity of fire. In this the images for training the module and for testing is used. Then masking, segmentation and of the image and sharpening of the image is carried out. In the process high quality data is obtained. The extraction of the correct information is taken place. The prediction process is taken place using the image based on colour and the fire is detected and then displayed for the purpose of user. The images are processed and then send to the CNN model. The detection model is fed to the alternate file and the selection of model is done to get the accurate result.

CONCLUSION

The paper primary objective is to introduce an innovative fire detection approach distinct from existing systems. Presently, solutions like smoke detectors and sprinkler water discharge systems are widely employed and indeed offer valuable functionality. However, these systems do possess certain constraints. The paper sought to optimize these conventional approaches by exploring novel avenues. The rationale behind this endeavour is rooted in the evolution of technology. As technology continues to advance, there's a pressing need to adapt and enhance existing systems to overcome their limitations. The project's ultimate aim was to create a new and improved fire detection system. This novel approach hinges on leveraging image processing technology for fire detection. By employing this technology, it becomes feasible to mitigate the limitations associated with traditional systems. The system capitalizes on a camera capability to mimic human vision. In essence, when a fire is detected, the camera captures video footage, which is subsequently processed using specialized software. This process not only detects the fire but also alerts the user, offering a comprehensive and technologically advanced fire detection solution.

Future scope: The future projects about using an omni-directional camera replacing the normal CCD camera for solving the dead angle of a CCD camera is undertaken as a research. SVM also demonstrates above-average performance; however, the time it takes for SVM to carry out additional calculations is based on the size of features. Bayesian Network can be implemented to minimize computation time and still perform as SVM.

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