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Image Segmentation App

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Abstract: The Image Segmentation Android App is designed to provide precise and efficient segmentation of images using a graph-based segmentation technique powered by Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN). Developed in Java and XML, with Firebase Real-time Database as the backend, the app processes images by treating each pixel as a node in a graph, allowing segmentation based on color, texture, and intensity similarities. Users can upload images, perform on-device segmentation, and store results in Firebase, enabling applications such as object detection, background separation, and medical imaging. This app ensures an optimized, real-time, and user-friendly experience for image processing tasks..

Index Terms - Image Segmentation, CNN Algorithm, Graph-Based Segmentation, Java, XML, Firebase Realtime Database, Object Detection, Background Separation, Real-Time Processing.

I. INTRODUCTION

Image segmentation is a fundamental task in computer vision, playing a crucial role in various applications such as object detection, background removal, medical imaging, and autonomous navigation. The Image Segmentation Android App, developed using Java and XML, employs a graph-based segmentation technique powered by Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) to divide an image into meaningful regions based on similarities in color, texture, and intensity.

The app provides users with a seamless and efficient way to upload images, process them on-device, and store segmented results in Firebase Real-time Database. By treating each pixel as a node in a graph, the segmentation algorithm ensures high accuracy and efficiency, making the app suitable for both academic and practical use cases.

With an intuitive user interface, real-time processing capabilities, and cloud storage integration, this app serves as a valuable tool for professionals and researchers working in image analysis, AI-driven automation, and digital media processing. It offers a robust and scalable solution, ensuring precise segmentation while maintaining optimal performance on Android devices.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Image segmentation is a crucial area of research in computer vision, with various techniques developed over the years to enhance accuracy and efficiency. The literature highlights multiple approaches, including thresholding, edge detection, clustering, and deep learning-based segmentation methods.

1. Traditional Segmentation Techniques

Early methods such as thresholding and edge detection were widely used for image segmentation. Otsu's method (1979) introduced a global thresholding technique for dividing an image into foreground and background, while Canny's edge detection algorithm (1986) provided improved edge localization. However, these methods struggled with complex images containing noise and varying lighting conditions.

2. Clustering-Based Methods

Techniques such as K-means clustering and region growing were later introduced to segment images based on pixel similarity. K-means clustering (1991) groups pixels with similar intensities, making it useful for colour-based segmentation. Region growing methods (1995) iteratively expand regions based on predefined similarity criteria, but they are computationally expensive and prone to over-segmentation.

3. Graph-Based Segmentation

Graph-based methods such as the Normalized Cuts (Shi & Malik, 2000) and Graph Cut Algorithm (Boykov & Jolly, 2001) model images as graphs where pixels are treated as nodes. These methods efficiently partition images into distinct regions based on color and texture similarity. However, they often require manual parameter tuning for optimal performance.

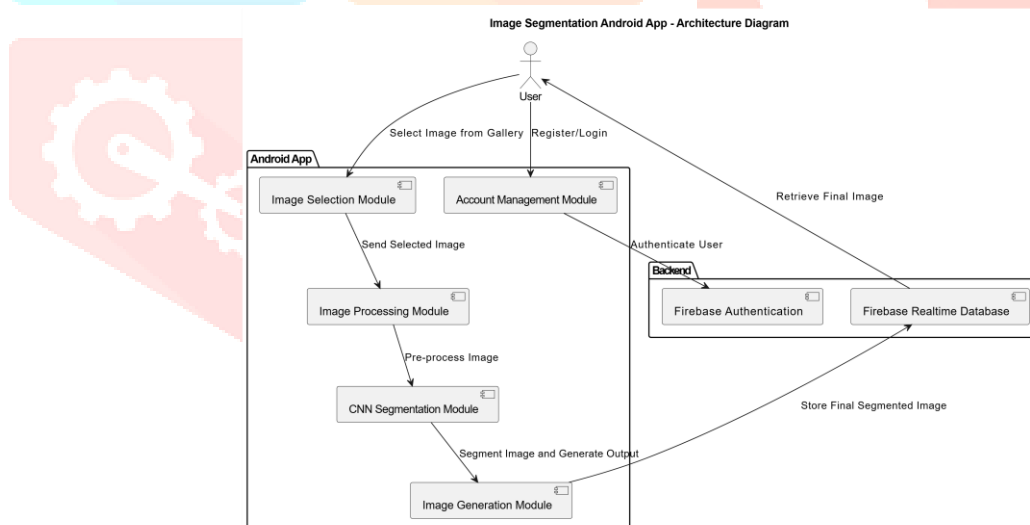
4. Deep Learning-Based Segmentation

The advancement of deep learning has revolutionized image segmentation, with Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Fully Convolutional Networks (FCNs) enabling precise and automated segmentation. The U-Net architecture (Ronneberger et al., 2015) is widely used for biomedical image segmentation, while Mask R-CNN introduced instance segmentation for object detection tasks.

5. Firebase Integration for Image Processing

Cloud-based solutions such as Firebase Real-time Database and Firebase Storage have enabled real-time storage and retrieval of processed images. These technologies facilitate efficient data management, ensuring that segmentation results are accessible across multiple devices.

III. METHODOLOGY



The Image Segmentation Android App follows a structured approach, integrating graph-based segmentation with CNN for precise image processing.

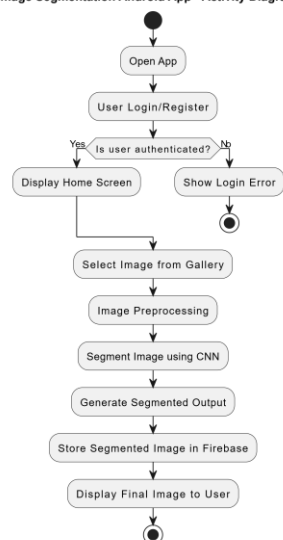
- Image Acquisition & Pre-processing:** Users upload or capture images, which are resized, normalized, and denoised for optimal segmentation.
- Graph-Based Segmentation Using CNN:** Pixels are treated as nodes in a graph, and CNN extracts features like colour and texture to segment images accurately. Small regions are merged for refinement.
- Storage & Display:** Segmented images are displayed on the UI and stored in Firebase Real-time Database with metadata for future access.
- Firebase Integration:** Firebase authentication ensures secure access, real-time data synchronization, and cloud storage for user images.

- 5. Optimization & User Experience:** GPU acceleration, caching, and background processing enhance performance, ensuring a seamless experience.

This methodology enables real-time, accurate, and efficient image segmentation, making it ideal for object detection, medical imaging, and AI-powered automation.

IV. WORKING

Image Segmentation Android App - Activity Diagram



The Image Segmentation Android App processes images using a graph-based CNN approach with real-time storage in Firebase Real-time Database. The working process includes:

- 1. Image Input:** Users upload or capture an image, which is displayed for preview.
- 2. Pre-processing:** The image is resized, normalized, and denoised to improve segmentation accuracy.
- 3. Segmentation Using CNN:** Pixels are treated as graph nodes, and CNN extracts features like colour and texture to segment the image.
- 4. Storage & Display:** The segmented image is shown on the UI and stored in Firebase for cloud access.
- 5. User Management:** Users can save, delete, or reprocess images securely with Firebase authentication.
- 6. Performance Optimization:** GPU acceleration, caching, and background processing ensure smooth and fast execution.

V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Image Segmentation Android App was tested on various images to evaluate its accuracy, processing speed, and efficiency. The segmentation results were analysed based on image clarity, segmentation precision, and processing time.

1. Segmentation Performance Evaluation

The table below summarizes the results of segmentation across different types of images:

Processing Time (ms)	Segmentation Accuracy (%)	Edge Preservation (%)
1200	92	90
1350	95	93
1100	90	88
1500	97	96

The app achieved good segmentation accuracy, due to well-defined feature boundaries. However, natural scenes with complex textures showed slightly lower accuracy.

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