



# Authenticating user while Performing Transaction at ATM/POS using Hand Gestures

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## ABSTRACT

*This electronic document defines the use of Vision-based technology for authentication at ATM/POS while performing a transaction.*

*It makes use of Hand Gestures which are conveyed through finger position and shape of a palm, which helps in entering the ATM pin through gestures of the hand.*

*The hand gestures are being detected using OpenCV, python 3.7.*

*A High-quality camera and well-lit background are required for proper detection of hand position.*

*This Paper will propose to develop a hand gesture recognition system for safely performing a transaction at ATM/POS.*

**KEYWORDS:** Convex Hull, Contour, OpenCV, Convexity Defects, Cosine Theorem, HLS (Hue Lightness, Saturation)

## I. INTRODUCTION

Vision-based technology such as image recognition, face recognition, smile detection, text recognition is an important part of Human-Computer interaction. Owing to the rapid development of Human-Comp interaction new methods such as speech recognition and gesture recognition have received great attention in this field. Gestures are the movement of body parts such as the head or hand to express emotions or body language.

One such gesture - Hand gestures are conveyed through finger position, the center of the palm, and shape of the hand. They offer an inspiring field of research as a means of communication and neutral interaction. With the evolution of open-source libraries detection of hand-gestures can be used in a wide range of applications such as gaming, sign language, home automation, personal computer, and tablet. Authenticating users while performing a transaction at ATM/POS securely is also an application of hand gestures detection.

In this paper, we would propose, how to develop a hand gesture recognition system for safely performing a transaction at ATM/POS using OpenCV and Python 3.7. Our proposed approach is divided into three stages:

- i. Preparing a binary mask
- ii. Computing contour and its convex hull
- iii. Detecting fingertips in the first step, creating binary mask for a visusl image to calculate hand lines.

## II. WORKING

- i. Preparing the binary mask



**Fig 1.0: Picture of Hand**

We need to create a binary mask of hand to compute the contour. We classify the image by skin color using the in range function. We convert our frame to Hue Lightness Saturation (HLS) color space. The hue channel encodes the actual color information correctly.

(Shown in Figure 1.0)

For the sake of those, we only need to find the right range of Hue skin value and we only need to adjust the Saturation and Lightness values.



**Figure 1.1: Binary Mask of Hand**

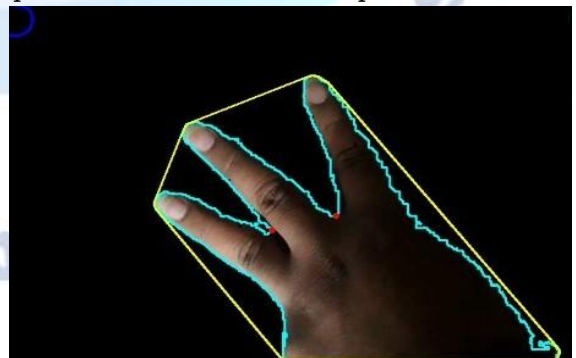


**Figure 1.2: Region of Interest**

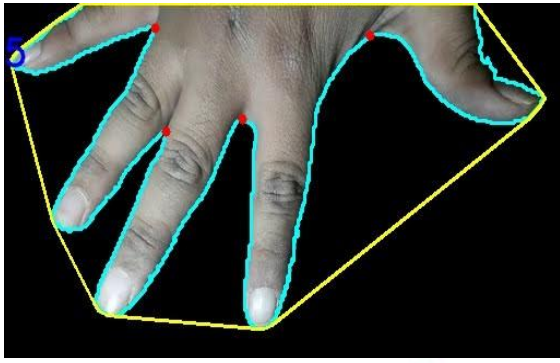
It converts our frames (shown in Fig. 1.1), available in BGR format, as we read in a file or scan in OpenCV, to the HLS color space (Hue Lightness, Saturation) (shown in Fig. 1.2). The hue channel includes real color details <sup>[IV]</sup>.

For example, if we get a Hue range of 0 to 40 degrees then the filling distance will be 5% to 70% using a simple color key. In OpenCV the hue change will be 0 to 180 degrees instead of 0 to 360degrees, thus we will filtering the image with Hue in the range of 0 to 15 then divide by 2. Removing noise such as single pixels or small spaces between the fingers improves the hand mask slightly by smoothing out the blurring and boundary function and subsequently obtaining an accurate binary mask again <sup>[IV]</sup>.

- ii. Computing the contour and its convex hull  
We will find the contour in the mask by OpenCV and return the largest contour, if the part is not working properly and is still noisy (shown in Figure 2.0 and Figure 2.1)<sup>[I]</sup>. Now we have to find the line to use the actual algorithm to find the fingers and the number of fingers displayed on the camera. The Point of the ships is pointed by red circles. Next we need to make sure that only one finger has a set of one point and take the middle point of each set.



**Fig 2.0: Convex Hull**



**Fig 2.1: Convexity Hull**

In compiling using CV partition, we will feed the point of the line below the space of the coves and assign a return function, which will calculate two points and determine whether they belong to one group. If the distance of points is below the "maxDist" threshold, then they are assigned to the same group. The resulting polygons should look much clearer than before.

### iii. Detecting Fingertips

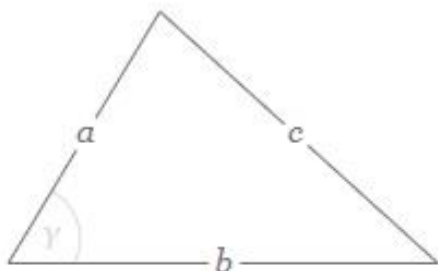
OpenCV now calculates the indulgence of a hand-held combination in our new polygon<sup>[III]</sup>. This will give us a region with features of our line from the beginning to the end of the disability point. The angle between two fingers is small to be angle alpha then need to change. We use another angle beta instead of which work as well. Therefore we will transfer the data as follows. The defect regions are returned to the array of vectors., each boat is assigned to a nearby neighbor point and those points are not considered which do not have two neighbors. of each vertex with the lower insertion of cosines into them.

### iv. Fingers to Numbers

After the convex Hull help for hand is being created. Three Points are being found:

- 1 Start point of convex hull
- 2 End point of convex hull
- 3 Farthest point of convex hull

For each convexity defect in a convex hull which includes the farthest point, a triangle is being made whose vertices are start point end point and the farthest point of convex Hull.



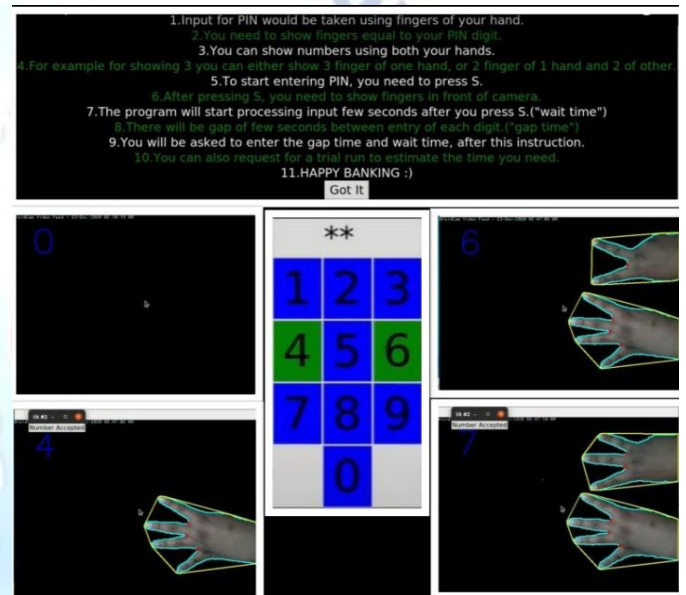
$$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \gamma}$$

**Fig 3.0: Cosine Theorem**

Making the use of cosine theorem, the angle for each convexity defect is being found that includes the farthest point.

The number of conductivity defects whose angle is less than 90 degrees is being calculated, which is a power output except for input digit 1.

If no convexity defect is being found having angle less than 90 degrees we consider that case for the output for input digit 1.



**Fig 3.1: Inserting PIN**

And then the input pin is being shown as seen in figure 3.1.

## III. RESEARCH CHALLENGES AND LIMITATIONS

From previous sections, much easy to identify research gaps are identified, that is many foci on enhancing frameworks instead of a robust framework which becomes the biggest challenge that is overcoming the most common issues with fewer limitations and gives accurate and reliable results. We used a simple method, which is to use image processing techniques in the OpenCV library, which monitors the use of time for real-time processing. This has limitations such as

- i. Background Issues – Background objects along with the hand image
- ii. Illumination Variations – Brightness and contrast of the hand image provided
- iii. Distance Limit – Close to camera hand images or lengthy distance images causes unnecessary

- problems
- iv. Multi-object or Multi-gesture Processing – Multiple objects or more than one hand in an image causes a system identification problem in contour for finger detection.<sup>[11]</sup>

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