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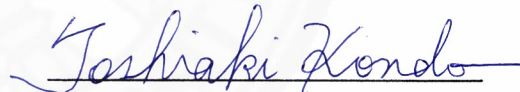
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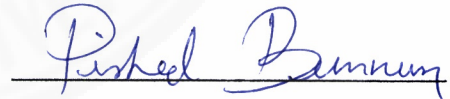
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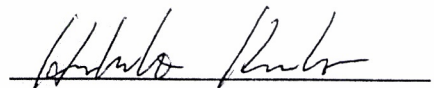
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Abstract

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This thesis presents a way to determine the kind of amulet from taken picture. The pre-processing and amulet segmentation are processed with the plain color background and segmentation method is based on grayscale conversion and edge detection to locate high contrast area in the image. The amulet kind determination makes use of two feature, first is edge feature from prewitt edge detection and second is texture feature called local ternary pattern (LTP) which indicate different in image intensities. The accuracy of template matching are 77% when using Canny edge feature and 99% when using LTP feature.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Background of study and Statement of problem

Thai amulet is accessory with Buddha shape and named after local Buddhism priest in Thailand. There are many kinds and variations, which are difficult to distinguish. Thai amulet can be highly valuable asset especially classical ones which has limit number of its own kind. Many amulet clubs in Thailand trade the amulet fluently. For non-specialist, knowing the kind of the amulet they are dealing with will help in price setting for trading in the market and estimating asset value for the investor who keeps it.

However, it is not easy because prior knowledge about amulet characteristic require long time study to master. Sometimes, even the specialist who has been familiar with Buddhist amulets for a long time still does not know all of them. Some kinds of amulet have word carved on the shape but for the rest those there are not any word on the shape, all information for non-specialist people is what they see as shown in Figure 1.1 and that leads to study about amulet recognition from taken picture.



Figure 1.1 Example of difficult to distinguish amulet for non-specialist

1.2 Purpose of study

Because amulet has very similar to coin in size and there is not much recent work about actual amulet, the majority of this study is coin classification method and the rest is study about feature extraction then propose an image-based approach for determine the kind of amulet from taken picture to help people know more about the amulet. The list of publications written from this study by the author can be found in appendix A.

1.3 Expected Outcome

The expected outcome of this study is the amulet recognition system that is easy for the user with the unknown amulet to try and use it. Since the target group user is non-specialist people, the author expect that the system can make more people to have interest and want to know more about amulet.

1.4 Scope and limitation

This study consist 33 kinds of amulet. The focus distance of camera for image acquisition should be at most 10 cm. The procedures in this study cannot work with image with complex background.

1.5 Structure of the thesis

The organization of the thesis is as follow, Chapter 2 describes the related work to this thesis. Chapter 3 explains the detail of image preprocessing in amulet segmentation and feature extraction using in this research is also described. Chapter 4 shows experiment result and discussion. Chapter 5 demonstrates the amulet recognition system from proposed algorithm. Finally, Chapter 6 concludes the study of this thesis and suggestion for future improvement.

Chapter 2

Literature Review

Because Thai amulet is not well known outside Thailand, there are very few works related to the amulet. Nevertheless, there are many researches about coin recognition those can be adopted to apply with amulet recognition. Since coin and amulet are very similar in object size.

Minoru Fukumi *et al.* [1] used rotated image for neural network training to create rotation invariant coin pattern recognition system. The system consists of two parts, the slabs of preprocessor and rotation invariant network called a-CONE. Each slab of the preprocessor contains sigmoid neuron units, which produce single output to the trainable multilayer neural-network a-CONE. To determine the weight of neuron units in order to achieve rotation invariant, the circular coordinate system used by the preprocessor is represented by radius and corresponding angle. With 12 equal segments in one circumference area, slab outputs can be insensitive to every 30 degrees rotation of an input pattern. The experiment was conducted with 500 Japanese yen coin and 500 Korean won coin.

Michael Nolle *et al.* [2] propose real-time system called Dagobert that can recognize 39 classes of coin and can reject unknown class, which is not recognized. There are mechanical parts, which can put the coin on and take the coin out from the conveyor belt. The system is equipped with two additional sensors measuring the thickness as well as the rough diameter of the current coin, which are used to trigger the image processing. For the coin detection, it is assumed that the conveyor belt used as background is homogenous and always darker (or brighter) than the coins. This makes a simple automatic threshold operation suffices for the segmentation. The center of gravity, perimeter and convex hull of the coin can be obtained easily. After applied edge detector, the system use binary string created from edge pixel as recognition feature.

Seth McNeill *et al.* [3] use vector quantization of edge feature image and k-

means algorithm to train machine learning system for classification. The data collection process was done using several background colors such as black, white, red and blue. The extensive segmentation testing show that red is the best background color for this step. The data set used in the experiment consists of approximately 400 images with similar rotation, lighting and size. Once the segmentation and cropping are done, the segmented coin images go through vertical edge detection and thresholding. The histogram of the image is constructed using vector quantization centroids. Bayes classifier is used in coin classification.

Marco Reisert *et al.* [4][5] used Hough transform to segment coin image, then shift coin center to origin position, scaling image so that coin radius is equal to 1 and use gradient image and fast Fourier transform to generate feature. The registration approach is to align two coins, which have maximal number of collinear gradient vectors. The gradient magnitude is completely neglected. The computation of the induced similarity measure can be done efficiently in the Fourier domain after the gradient directions are quantized. The classification is realized with a simple nearest neighbor classification method. The confidence value measurement is additional rejection criteria to meet the requirement of reducing false positive rate. The confidence value was computed from similarity scores, thickness, radius and angle pose differences.

Chomtip Pornpanomchai *et al.* [6] work with actual amulet, not another class of coin like all the works mentioned before. The system use correlation value to determine the recognition result. The correlation value is computed from the difference of grayscale value of all pixels between two images. The images in this work were taken in controlled environment (black box and spotlight).

Velu *et al.* [7] present Indian Coin counting system. The system can recognize the coins and sum up the total value in term of Indian National Rupee (INR). There are several assumptions in this system such as the coins should move on a conveyor belt like in Michael Nolle *et al.*, there has to be proper lighting focused on the coin, both sides of the coin have to be collected and all parameter of the coin must be measured accurately.

Chapter 3

Methodology

This chapter presents the procedures for amulet segmentation using grayscale conversion and Prewitt edge detection then describes the feature extraction using in this research. The similarity measurement using edge feature and texture feature is computed separately. The system diagram is shown in Figure 3.1.

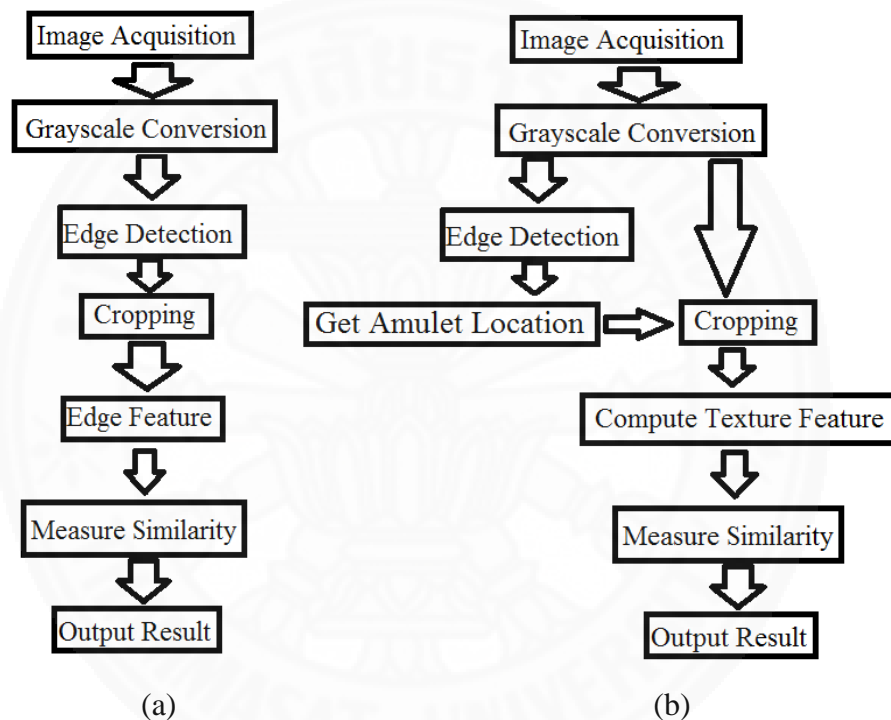


Figure 3.1 System diagram (a) using edge feature (b) using texture feature

3.1 Image acquisition

For the image acquisition, the condition is amulet has to be placed on the plain color background. The background color should be contrast with the amulet color so that background can be easily wiped out in segmentation process. In this work, the author places the amulets on red color paper, green color paper, pink color paper, blue color paper, yellow color paper, orange color paper and white color paper. The pictures used as dataset in this work are taken by mobile phone camera and compact camera. Some of sample data are shown in Figure 3.2.



Figure 3.2 Initial condition of the amulet images

3.2 Grayscale conversion

To make luminance intensity of the images to be easy to distinguish, the amulet image is converted from RGB color to grayscale color using grayscale conversion formula in Eq. (3.1).

$$\text{Grayscale} = 0.299 * R + 0.587 * G + 0.114 * B \quad (3.1)$$

Where

R is red color intensity in RGB image,

G is green color intensity in RGB image,

B is blue color intensity in RGB image.

The result of grayscale conversion is shown in Figure 3.3.



Figure 3.3 Grayscale conversion

3.3 Prewitt edge detection

To indicate the high contrast area of the amulet image, Prewitt edge detection [8] is applied to grayscale image of the amulet. The binary image with only edge pixels remain is shown in Figure 3.4.



Figure 3.4 Prewitt edge detection

3.4 Post processing

From the ideal edge image, the exact location of the amulet can be shown by finding the leftmost, rightmost, topmost, lowermost white pixel but there still are some noise white pixels which make segmentation go wrong. As shown in the right subfigure of Figure 3.4, the leftmost, rightmost, topmost, lowermost white pixel is not the exact location of amulet. To fix this problem, 2-D linear FIR filters were applied before getting amulet location. The masks of the filters are shown in Figure 3.5. The images filtered by those masks are shown in Figure 3.6.

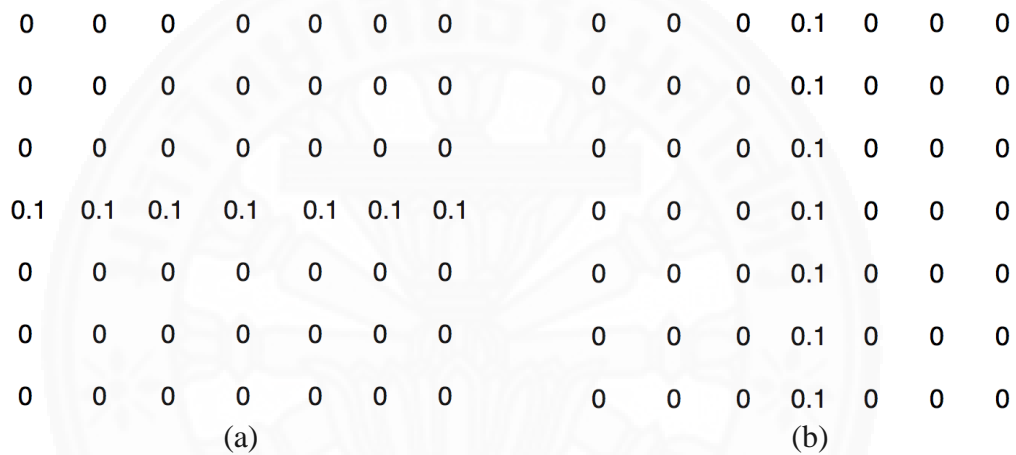


Figure 3.5 7x7 Masks (a) horizontal (b) vertical

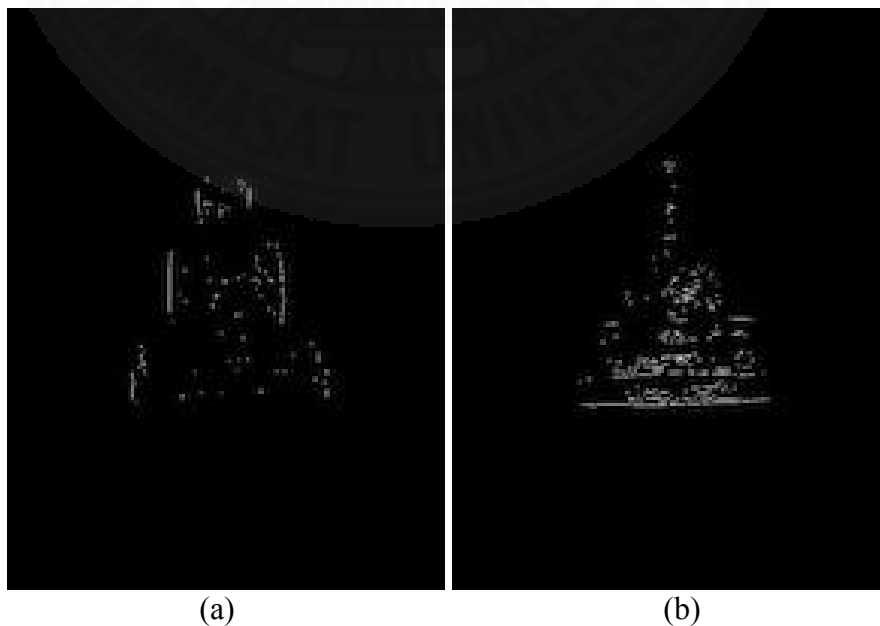


Figure 3.6 Noise reduction of edge images

(a) After apply vertical line filter (b) After apply horizontal line filter

After getting amulet position, the grayscale image is cropped like shown in Figure 3.7 before doing feature extraction.



Figure 3.7 Cropped amulet image

3.5 Edge feature retrieval

Beside the grayscale image from section 3.2, the Prewitt edge detection image from section 3.3 is also cropped after getting amulet position from section 3.4. The cropped image is shown Figure 3.8.



Figure 3.8 Cropped amulet edge image

3.6 Local binary pattern

LBP [9] is texture feature derived from difference in the grayscale value between center pixel and neighborhood pixels. The area of neighbor system can be square with any odd number length but the greater distance, the correlation between center pixel and neighbor decrease. LBP feature can be deriving from the following formula.

$$T(n, c) = \begin{cases} 1, & g(n) - g(c) \geq 0 \\ 0, & g(n) - g(c) < 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.2)$$

Where

$T(n,c)$ is binary code value of neighbor pixel n compared to center pixel c ,

$g(n)$ is grayscale value of neighbor pixel n ,

$g(c)$ is grayscale value of center pixel c ,

For feature representation, if the grayscale value of neighbor pixel is not less than one of center pixel, the feature is represented by '1' otherwise the feature is represented by '0' like shown in Figure 3.9.

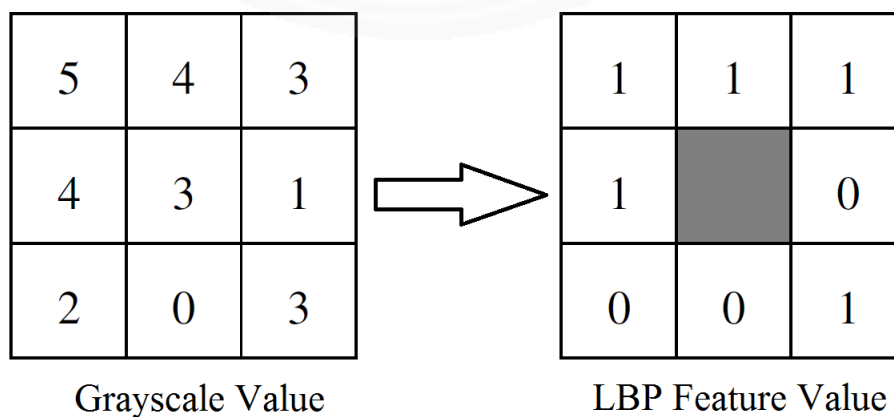


Figure 3.9 LBP derivation

In Figure 3.9, the example LBP calculation gives 8 bits of binary which can be represented by binary number '10001111b'.

With the larger neighborhood area, the more neighbor pixel stay in range. Figure 3.10 show example of 3x3 and 5x5 neighborhood area.

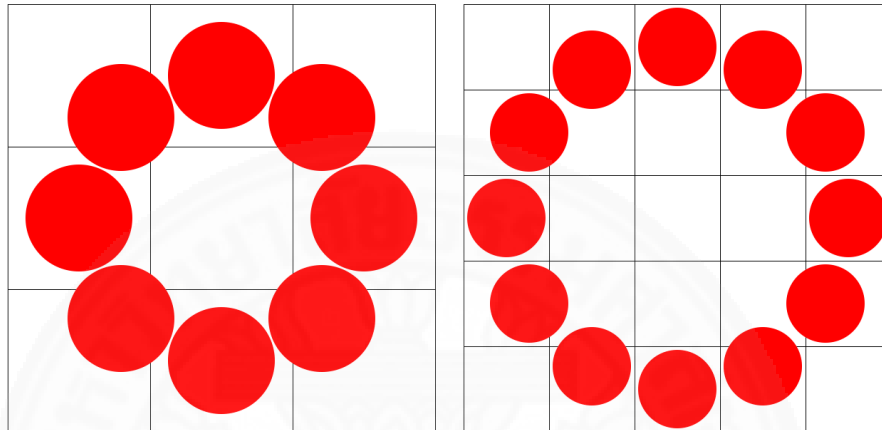


Figure 3.10 3x3 and 5x5 neighbor area

3.7 Local ternary pattern

LTP [10] is the improved version of LBP, which has '-1' feature representative in additional form LBP. LTP feature is designed to increase LBP reliability in difficult lighting condition. LTP feature can be deriving from the following formula.

$$T(n, c) = \begin{cases} 1, & g(n) - g(c) > t \\ 0, & |g(n) - g(c)| \leq t \\ -1, & g(n) - g(c) < -t \end{cases} \quad (3.3)$$

Where

$T(n, c)$ is ternary code value of neighbor pixel n compared to center pixel c ,

$g(n)$ is grayscale value of neighbor pixel n ,

$g(c)$ is grayscale value of center pixel c ,

t is threshold value.

3.8 Texture feature retrieval

The amulet segmented image from section 3.6 is resized to 54x54, 90x90, 126x126, 162x162, 198x198 pixels depends on the grid size for collecting 3x3, 5x5, 7x7, 9x9, 11x11 grid size LBP and LTP features respectively. The resized image is divided to 18x18 areas. In each area, LBP and LTP feature were collected. The neighbor pixels to collect LBP and LTP features per one grid area are shown in Figure 3.11.

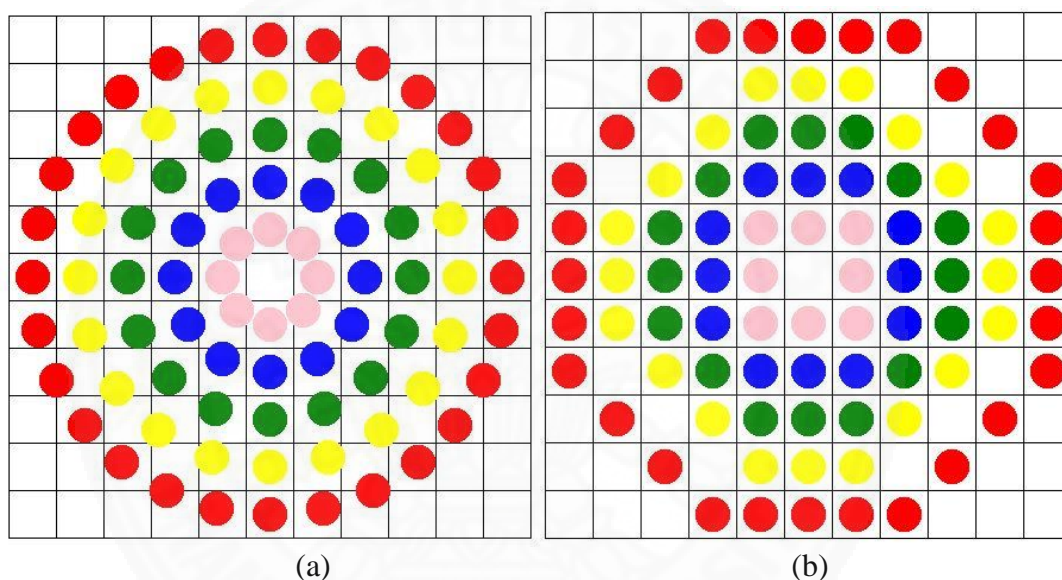


Figure 3.11 Texture feature collection per one grid area

(a) Show by radius distance from center (b) Show by actual pixel location

The example of 3*3 grid size LBP derivation is shown in Figure 3.12 and Figure 3.13.

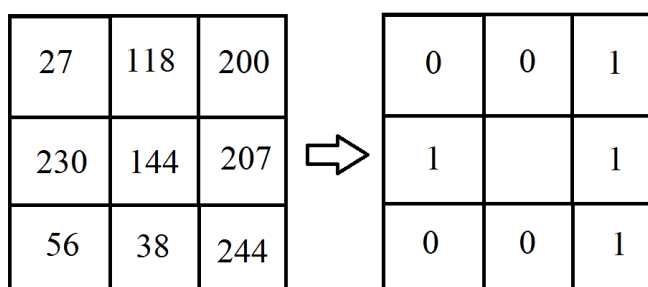


Figure 3.12 3*3 grid size LBP derivation in one grid area

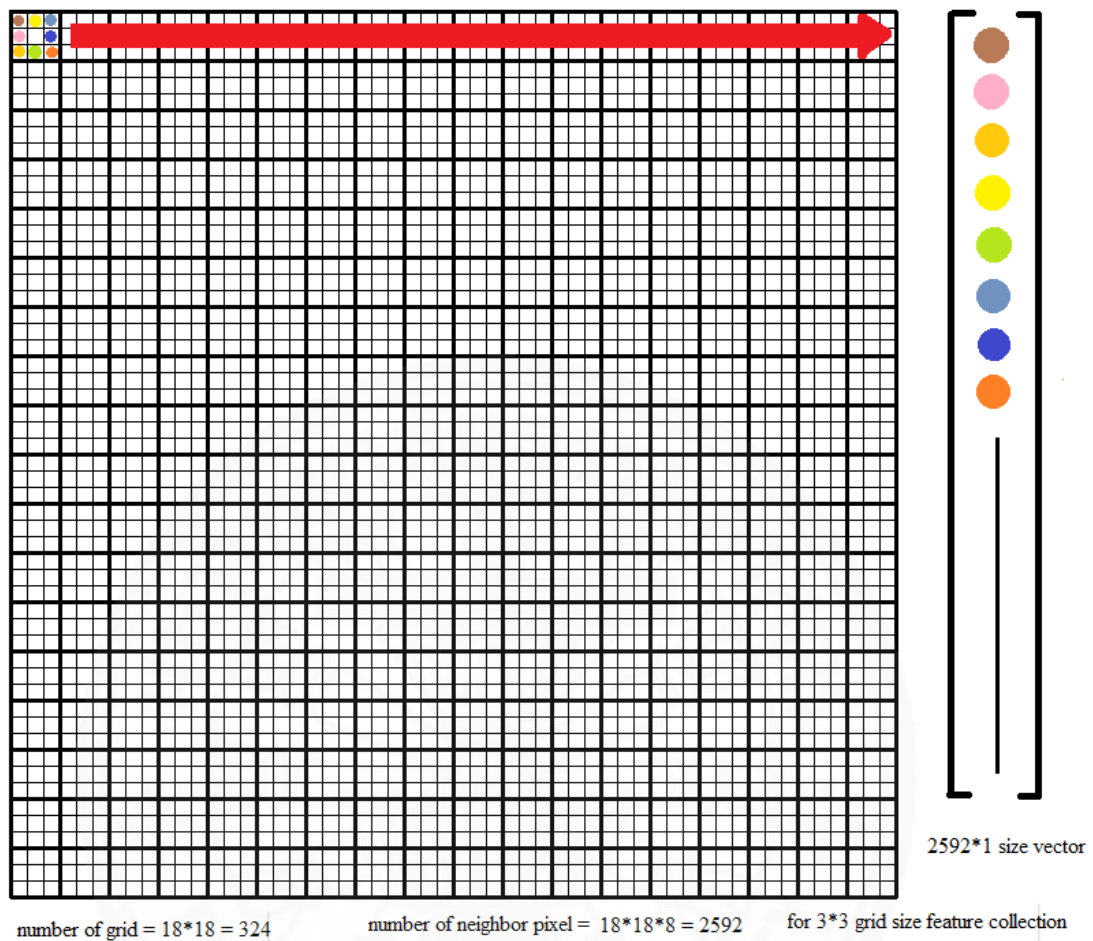


Figure 3.13 vector feature derivation from 54*54 pixel image

3.9 Experiment Setup

The experiments were done by using MATLAB on a laptop with 2.4GHz CPU and 4GB RAM. The template matching was conducted on 33 kinds of amulet with 630 images per kind and using 5-fold cross validation technic with each fold has 126 images per kind as shown in Figure 3.14. The 126 images of each kind in a fold consist of 18 images per each color background of 7 background colors used in this work. For the 18 images of each kind on the same color background, 9 images were collected in daylight and 9 images were collected in fluorescent light. The example image of amulet on each of background color is shown in Figure 3.15-3.21.

Fold 1		Fold 2		Fold 3		Fold 4		Fold 5	
Type1	126images	Type1	126images	Type1	126images	Type1	126images	Type1	126images
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Figure 3.14 Experiment data setup



Figure 3.15 Amulet on white background



Figure 3.16 Amulet on red background



Figure 3.17 Amulet on blue background



Figure 3.18 Amulet on green background



Fig. 3.19 Amulet on yellow background



Figure 3.20 Amulet on pink background



Figure 3.21 Amulet on orange background

For template matching using edge feature, the cropped amulet edge image from section 3.5 is resized to 200 pixels width and 200 pixels height, which is the size of all edge templates. The similarity between testing image and template image is computed from logical comparison of binary image. The formula is shown in equation Eq. (3.3). The template with highest similarity comparing with testing image is determined to be recognition result.

$$s = \sum_{i=0}^{200} \sum_{j=0}^{200} (A_{i,j} \equiv B_{i,j}) \quad (3.3)$$

Where

S is similarity value of two images A and B,

$A_{i,j}$ is grayscale value of binary image A at row I and column j,

$B_{i,j}$ is grayscale value of binary image B at row I and column j,

For template matching using texture feature, the feature collected from section 3.8 is kept in form of 2592x1, 3888x1, 5184x1, 6480x1, 9072x1 size vector for 3x3, 5x5, 7x7, 9x9, 11x11 grid size LBP and LTP features respectively. The similarity between testing image and template image is calculated from dot product of texture feature from both images as shown in Figure 3.22.

$$[1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = (1)(1) + (0)(1) + \dots + (0)(0) + (1)(0)$$

Figure 3.22 Similarity calculation

Chapter 4

Result and Discussion

This chapter begins with numerical result of every method. The criteria for deciding the result is k-nearest-neighbor (kNN) which is to choose the majority of k best matches to be the result when k is positive odd integer. The majority of 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 best matches are the result for 1NN, 3NN, 5NN, 7NN, 9NN respectively. The next part of this chapter is comparison of computation time of all method used in this study.

For the edge feature, segmentation process use only Prewitt edge detection but this chapter will also show matching result using 4 different kinds of edge feature such as Sobel edge[11], Canny edge[12], Laplacian edge[13]. Beside edge features and texture features, the author also compares computation time and result with famous general purpose feature called SIFT keypoint descriptor[14]. The SIFT keypoint descriptor is computed using opencv library version 2.4.13 binding with python language. The template with the most matched descriptor is chosen to be recognition result.

The percentage accuracy of matching result is calculated from finding ratio between number of test image with correct recognition result and number of all test images and then multiply the ratio by 100.

Table 4.1 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using Sobel edge feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 33.79% at 1NN and the accuracy is decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.1 Percentage accuracy of matching result using Sobel edge feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	28.2407	36.4198	26.5432	42.9012	34.8765	33.79628
3NN	35.3395	32.2531	20.0617	31.4015	25.4630	28.90376
5NN	25.6173	28.8580	20.0617	22.3765	22.5309	23.88888
7NN	22.6852	25.0000	22.3765	18.0556	21.6049	21.94444
9NN	18.6752	24.6914	20.9877	14.9691	18.5185	19.56838

Table 4.2 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using Prewitt edge feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 34.84% at 1NN and the accuracy is decrease when increase k of kNN but still is higher than accuracy using Sobel edge at every k of kNN.

Table 4.2 Percentage accuracy of matching result using Prewitt edge feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	29.4753	37.5000	27.7778	44.1358	35.3395	34.84568
3NN	36.8827	33.4877	19.9074	32.4074	25.6173	29.66050
5NN	26.8519	29.9383	20.679	23.3025	23.6111	24.87656
7NN	23.1481	26.2346	22.2222	18.8272	22.0679	22.50000
9NN	19.1358	25.3086	21.2963	15.7407	18.5185	19.99998

Table 4.3 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using Laplacian edge feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 36.29% at 1NN and the accuracy is decrease when increase k of kNN. The accuracy using Laplacian edge is slightly higher than accuracy using Prewitt edge but Laplacian edge also requires computation time about 1.2 times compared to Prewitt edge.

Table 4.3 Percentage accuracy of matching result using Laplacian edge feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	33.6420	22.9938	31.7901	45.8333	47.2222	36.29628
3NN	26.0802	37.0370	18.2099	32.2531	42.1296	31.14196
5NN	19.1358	35.4938	13.5802	22.2272	34.4136	24.97012
7NN	15.1235	27.9321	10.6481	20.1600	31.3272	21.03818
9NN	23.1481	22.8395	8.79630	17.4383	26.6975	19.78394

Table 4.4 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using Canny edge feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 77.77% at 1NN. The accuracy using Canny edge is highest compared with all three other edge features but Laplacian edge also requires computation time about 2 times compared to Prewitt edge which is longest computation time of all edge feature in this study.

Table 4.4 Percentage accuracy of matching result using Canny edge feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	82.7160	73.4568	70.2160	82.5617	79.9383	77.77776
3NN	72.6852	84.8765	65.2778	75.1543	72.9938	74.19752
5NN	68.6728	79.4753	54.9383	68.5185	70.8333	68.48764
7NN	64.8148	76.2346	46.9136	61.7284	66.0494	63.14816
9NN	58.4877	70.2160	41.0494	55.7099	62.1914	57.53088

Table 4.5 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 3*3 grid size LBP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is hardly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.5 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 3*3 grid size LBP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
3NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
5NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
7NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
9NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484

Table 4.6 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 3*3 grid size LTP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.6 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 3*3 grid size LTP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.8457	99.81484
3NN	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.8457	99.81484
5NN	99.6914	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.6914	99.75312
7NN	99.6914	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.8457	99.78398
9NN	99.6914	99.8457	99.5370	99.5370	99.6914	99.6605

Table 4.7 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 5*5 grid size LBP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.87% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.7 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 5*5 grid size LBP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	100	100.0000	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.87656
3NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.84570
5NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.84570
7NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
9NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484

Table 4.8 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 5*5 grid size LTP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.84% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.8 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 5*5 grid size LTP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	100.0000	99.8457	99.84570
3NN	99.2284	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.6914	99.66052
5NN	99.2284	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.5370	99.59878
7NN	99.2284	99.8457	99.6914	99.5370	99.2284	99.50618
9NN	99.2284	99.6914	99.3827	99.3827	99.9198	99.52100

Table 4.9 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 7*7 grid size LBP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is hardly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.9 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 7*7 grid size LBP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
3NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
5NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
7NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
9NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484

Table 4.10 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 7*7 grid size LTP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.78% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.10 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 7*7 grid size LTP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	99.6914	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.8457	99.78398
3NN	99.0741	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.6914	99.59880
5NN	99.0741	99.8457	99.6914	99.5370	99.5370	99.53704
7NN	99.0741	99.8457	99.5370	99.3827	99.0741	99.38272
9NN	99.0741	99.6914	99.5370	99.3827	98.7654	99.29012

Table 4.11 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 9*9 grid size LBP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is hardly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.11 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 9*9 grid size LBP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
3NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
5NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
7NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
9NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484

Table 4.12 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 9*9 grid size LTP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.12 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 9*9 grid size LTP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.8457	99.81484
3NN	99.0741	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.5370	99.59878
5NN	98.9198	99.6914	99.6914	99.6914	99.0741	99.41362
7NN	99.0741	99.6914	99.5370	99.3827	98.9198	99.3210
9NN	99.0741	99.3827	99.5370	99.2284	98.4568	99.1358

Table 4.13 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 11*11 grid size LBP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.13 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 11*11 grid size LBP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
3NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.84570
5NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.84570
7NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484
9NN	100	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.6914	99.81484

Table 4.14 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using 11*11 grid size LTP feature. The average accuracy of 5 folds cross validation is about 99.81% at 1NN and the accuracy is slightly decrease when increase k of kNN.

Table 4.14 Percentage accuracy of matching result using 11*11 grid size LTP feature

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
1NN	99.8457	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.8457	99.81484
3NN	99.3827	99.8457	99.6914	99.8457	99.6914	99.69138
5NN	99.2284	99.6914	99.6914	99.6914	99.3827	99.53706
7NN	99.2284	99.6914	99.6914	99.3827	99.0741	99.41360
9NN	99.2284	99.5370	99.5370	99.2284	98.6111	99.22838

Table 4.15 shows Percentage accuracy of matching result using SIFT keypoint descriptor. The accuracy of all 5 folds in 5 folds cross validation is 100% but also take tremendous computation time as much as 92 times compared with 3*3 grid size texture features.

Table 4.15 Percentage accuracy of matching result using SIFT feature

Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Average
100	100	100	100	100	100

Table 4.16 shows computation time of every method used in this work. The time measurement starts when testing image is read and end when recognition result is known. Among the edge features, Sobel edge takes shortest computation time. Prewitt edge takes computation time slightly more than Sobel edge. Canny edge takes longest computation time among the edge features which is almost two times of Prewitt edge. For the texture features, LBP and LTP take almost equal computation

time at the same grid size. The computation times of LBP and LTP are increasing when increase grid size but at 11*11 grid size, the computation time is still faster than Sobel edge. The SIFT keypoint descriptor takes long computation time more than all features in this study which is almost two hours.

Table 4.16 Computation time in second

	Fold1	Fold2	Fold3	Fold4	Fold5	Total
Sobel	460.9781	451.3504	455.6027	452.739	456.7211	2277.391
Prewitt	486.0912	485.7395	491.1928	486.0196	486.9185	2435.961
Laplacian	622.4656	621.3507	622.7242	620.3942	628.7392	3115.674
Canny	939.9226	959.9155	933.6992	948.0208	930.9655	4712.524
LBP3*3	81.61101	82.09881	81.58735	82.1827	81.97508	409.4549
LTP3*3	81.55889	81.69491	82.09307	81.86571	82.42746	409.6400
LBP5*5	98.57156	97.49566	98.23928	97.54278	97.89867	489.7479
LTP5*5	97.85553	97.61807	98.57082	98.49263	97.89867	490.4357
LBP7*7	102.592	104.0623	100.7746	101.769	100.7897	509.9875
LTP7*7	103.0894	102.9292	101.2395	102.0709	100.6193	509.9482
LBP9*9	106.1316	105.435	104.7524	106.0734	105.2539	527.6462
LTP9*9	105.6228	105.504	104.0907	103.9716	110.1446	529.3338
LBP11*11	113.5277	113.5666	112.8898	112.4654	113.5911	566.0406
LTP11*11	111.9601	114.0983	113.2247	112.3349	112.3882	564.0063
SIFT	7418.299	7295.848	7042.497	7700.427	7639.149	37096.22

Among the methods used in this study, 3*3 grid size LBP gives the second best performance in accuracy with not much different from SIFT keypoint descriptor which gives best accuracy. The 3*3 grid size LBP also gives best performance in computation time. Therefore, the author chooses 3*3 grid size LBP to develop MATLAB application which works with USB camera.

Chapter 5

Amulet Recognition in a Nutshell System

This chapter demonstrates the system called ‘Amulet Recognition in a Nutshell’ which is created to make user to be able to do amulet recognition with image from USB camera. The minimum focus distance of USB camera used with this system should not be longer than 10 cm. The system is developed on MATLAB platform. The system takes about 24 milliseconds computation time per one input image. The system screen when the user starts the system is shown in Figure 5.1.

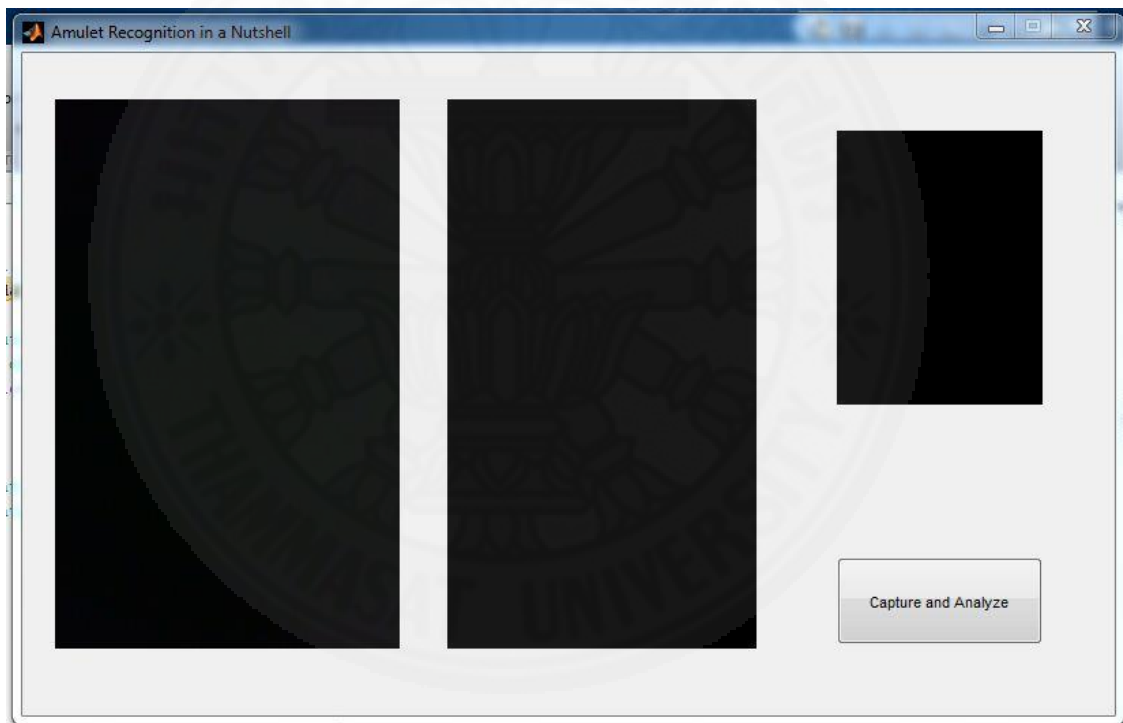


Figure 5.1 System screen

The left side of system screen contains real time video input from USB camera. When user clicks ‘Capture and Analyze’ button, input image at the moment is captured and processed as mentioned in chapter 3. The user can see grayscale segmented image in the middle of system screen and result of amulet recognition can be seen in the right side of system screen as shown in Figure 5.2 and Figure 5.3.

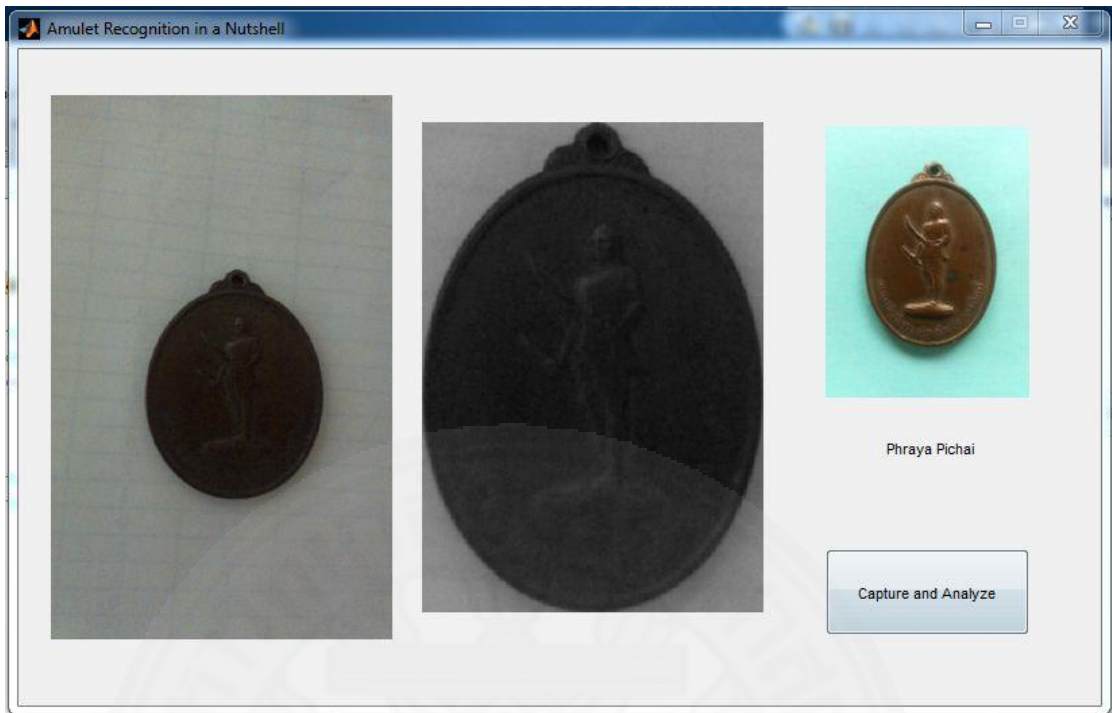


Figure 5.2 Correct recognition with Phraya Pichai

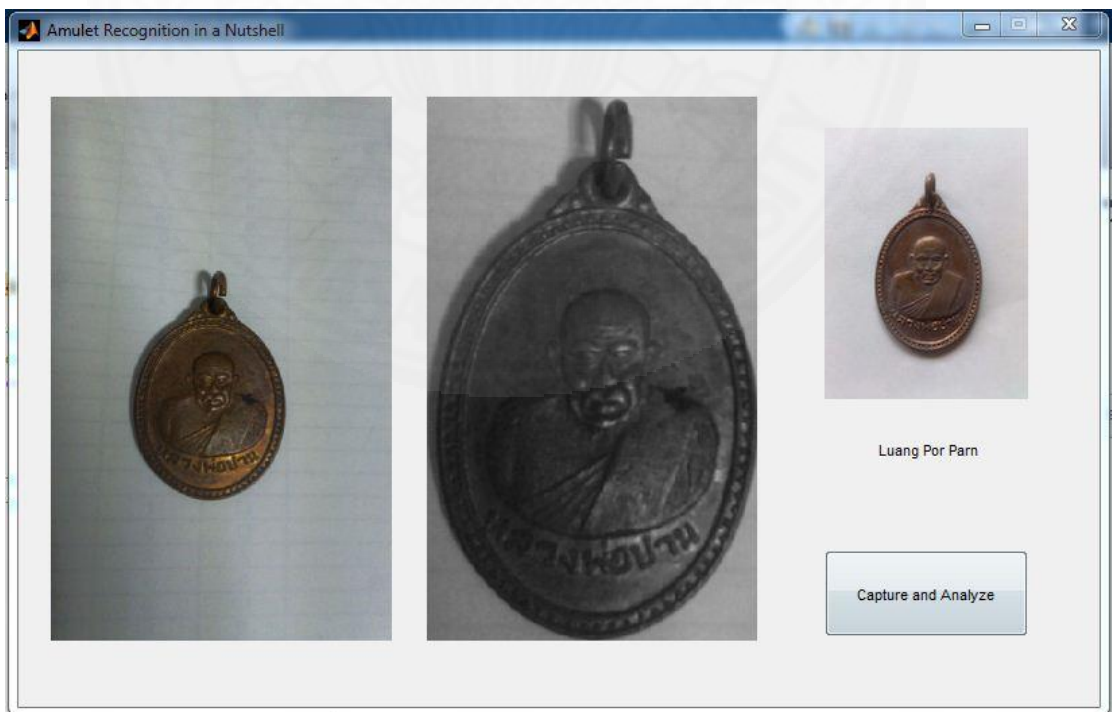


Figure 5.3 Correct recognition with Luang Por Parn

The system uses segmentation process mentioned in chapter 3 which requires the amulet to be placed on plain background to make background vanish when Prewitt edge detection is applied. The background color does not need to be white. The inappropriate lighting condition can cause shadow of camera and user's body which makes wrong segmentation. The wrong segmentation can make recognition also wrong as shown in Figure 5.4.

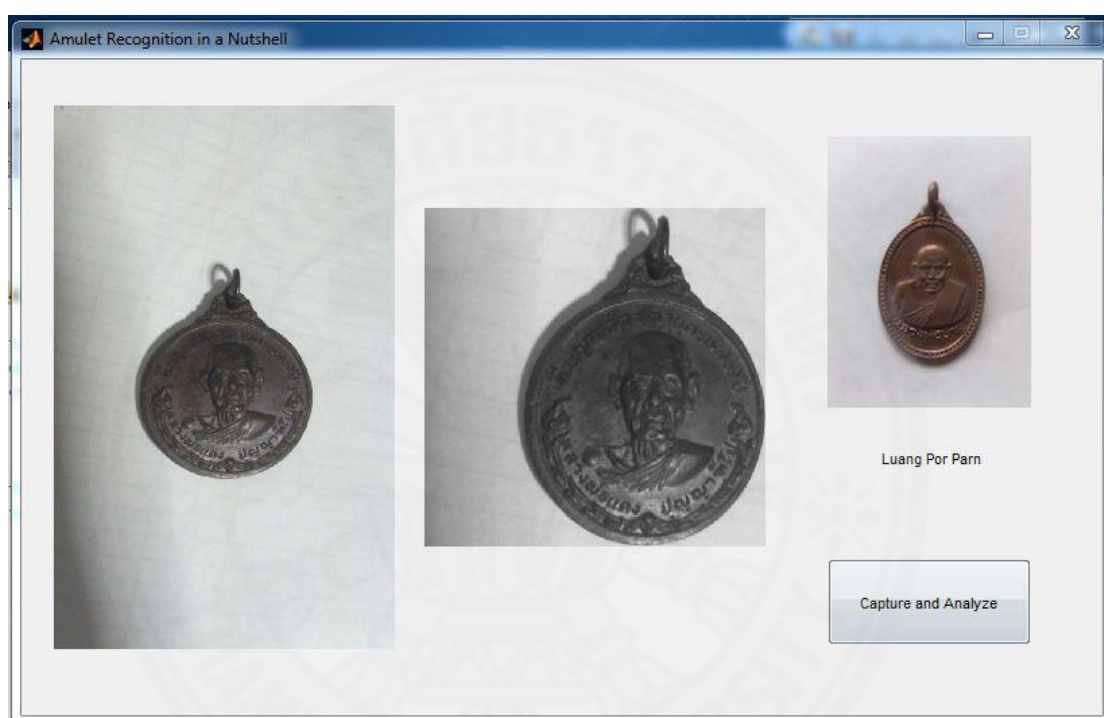


Figure 5.4 Wrong recognition

The author conducts out-of-sample test experiment of the system with 5 users. For each user, the testing was conducted with 5 kinds of amulet which the users select themselves. The users use the system the chosen amulet 100 times for each of amulet kind. The test experiment result of the system is shown in Table 5.1-5.5. The out-of-sample test result gives lower performance compared to the in-sample test result in chapter 4 because shadow of camera and user's body affect not only segmentation but also the luminance of amulet in the image.

Table 5.1 Test experiment conducted with user #1

Amulet Name	Correct	Incorrect	Accuracy
Phraya Pichai	91	9	91%
Luang Por Thongyu	93	7	93%
Luang Poo Van	95	5	95%
Luang Por Pew	85	15	85%
Luang Por Noi	88	12	88%

Table 5.2 Test experiment conducted with user #2

Amulet Name	Correct	Incorrect	Accuracy
Luang Por Daeng	90	10	90%
Luang Poo Van	95	5	95%
Luang Por Sothorn	92	8	92%
Luang Por Su Kho	91	9	91%
Luang Por Kaew	88	12	88%

Table 5.3 Test experiment conducted with user #3

Amulet Name	Correct	Incorrect	Accuracy
Luang Por Parn	86	14	86%
Luang Por Thongyu	90	10	90%
Luang Por Daeng	92	8	92%
Luang Poo Sarm	94	6	94%
Luang Poo Van	96	4	96%

Table 5.4 Test experiment conducted with user #4

Amulet Name	Correct	Incorrect	Accuracy
Luang Por Parn	88	12	88%
Luang Por Si Kho	90	10	90%
Luang Por Pew	86	14	86%
Phraya Pichai	85	15	85%
Luang Poo Van	90	10	90%

Table 5.5 Test experiment conducted with user #5

Amulet Name	Correct	Incorrect	Accuracy
Praputtha Chinnarad	88	12	88%
Luang Por Daeng	95	5	95%
Luang Por Thongyu	93	7	93%
Luang Poo Sarm	90	10	90%
Luang Poo Duad	87	13	87%

Chapter 6

Conclusions and Recommendations

In this thesis, the author presented image-based amulet recognition method. The process begins with amulet segmentation. Amulet segmentation process does require the amulet to be placed on the plain background. The next process is feature extraction and the last process is template matching. The features used in this work are edge feature, which indicate high contrast area in the image, and texture feature, which describe object surface image. From comparison, texture feature give better result than edge feature. For possible improvement, the computation in feature matching process may be able to be simplified using artificial neural network with hidden layer. Furthermore, applying machine learning to this work can make adding more kinds of amulet to the system more easy considering this work consists only 33 kinds of amulet and there still are more many in the market.

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Appendices

Appendix A

List of Publications

1. Sauthananusuk, T., Charoenlarnopparut, C., Kondo, T., Bunnun, P., and Hirohiko, K. (2014). Thai Amulet Recognition Using Simple Feature. In *Information and Communication Technology for Embedded Systems (ICICTES2014), The International Conference on*, Ayutthaya, Thailand.

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Appendix B

Amulet segmentation MATLAB source code

```
h1=[0 0 0 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0 0 0;
    0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1;
    0 0 0 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0 0 0];

h2=[0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0;
    0 0 0 0.1 0 0 0];

im1=imread(['image directory']);
im2=rgb2gray(im1);
im3=imresize(im2,[720,540]);
im4=edge(im3,'prewitt');
ver = im2bw(imfilter(im4,h2,'replicate'));
hor = im2bw(imfilter(im4,h1,'replicate'));
lr=sum(ver);
ud=sum(transpose(hor));

for j = 1:540
    if lr(j)>0
        r=j;
    end
    if lr(541-j)>0
        l=541-j;
    end
    if ud(j)>0
        d=j;
    end
    if ud(721-j)>0
        u=721-j;
    end
end
for j = 541:720
    if ud(j)>0
        d=j;
    end
end
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```
end
if ud(721-j)>0
    u=721-j;
end
end

im3=im3(u:d,l:r);
im3=imresize(im3,[720,540]);
```



Appendix C

Feature extraction MATLAB source code

```
im1=imread(['segmented image']);
im2=imresize(im1,[90,90]);
LBP=zeros(6480,1);
LTP=zeros(6480,1);
k=1;
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```
for i=3:5:88
    for j=3:5:88
        if im2(i,j)<im2(i-2,j-1)
            LBP(k,1)=0;
            if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-2,j-1)
                LTP(k,1)=-1;
            else
                LTP(k,1)=0;
            end
        else
            LBP(k,1)=1;
            if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-2,j-1)
                LTP(k,1)=1;
            else
                LTP(k,1)=0;
            end
        end
    end
    k=k+1;

    if im2(i,j)<im2(i-2,j)
        LBP(k,1)=0;
        if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-2,j)
            LTP(k,1)=-1;
        else
            LTP(k,1)=0;
        end
    else
        LBP(k,1)=1;
        if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-2,j)
            LTP(k,1)=1;
        else
            LTP(k,1)=0;
        end
    end
end
k=k+1;
```

```

if im2(i,j)<im2(i-2,j+1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-2,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-2,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i-1,j-2)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-1,j-2)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-1,j-2)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

```

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i-1,j-1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-1,j-1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-1,j-1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end

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    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i-1,j)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-1,j)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-1,j)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i-1,j+1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-1,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-1,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i-1,j+2)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i-1,j+2)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;

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if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i-1,j+2)
    LTP(k,1)=1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
end
k=k+1;

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i,j-2)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i,j-2)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i,j-2)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i,j-1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i,j-1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i,j-1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i,j+1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else

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        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i,j+2)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i,j+2)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i,j+2)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i+1,j-2)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+1,j-2)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+1,j-2)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i+1,j-1)

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LBP(k,1)=0;
if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+1,j-1)
    LTP(k,1)=-1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
else
LBP(k,1)=1;
if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+1,j-1)
    LTP(k,1)=1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
end
k=k+1;

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i+1,j)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+1,j)
    LTP(k,1)=-1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
else
LBP(k,1)=1;
if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+1,j)
    LTP(k,1)=1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
end
k=k+1;

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if im2(i,j)<im2(i+1,j+1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+1,j+1)
    LTP(k,1)=-1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
else
LBP(k,1)=1;
if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+1,j+1)
    LTP(k,1)=1;
else
    LTP(k,1)=0;
end
end

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end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i+1,j+2)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+1,j+2)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+1,j+2)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i+2,j-1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+2,j-1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+2,j-1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i+2,j)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+2,j)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+2,j)

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        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;

if im2(i,j)<im2(i+2,j+1)
    LBP(k,1)=0;
    if im2(i,j)+10<im2(i+2,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=-1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
else
    LBP(k,1)=1;
    if im2(i,j)-10>im2(i+2,j+1)
        LTP(k,1)=1;
    else
        LTP(k,1)=0;
    end
end
k=k+1;
end
end

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