USING FUZZY C-MEANS CLUSTERING ALGORITHM AND GENETIC ALGORITHM TO SEGMENT MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGES

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ABSTRACT

In this research, a segmentation technique which is combined by fuzzy C-means Clustering Algorithm (FCM) and Genetic Algorithm (GA) is proposed for segmenting human brain magnetic resonance images (MRI) to find the location of Meningioma. The FCM algorithm is used to decide for the better clustering center. The GA is used to determine the network construction and the prototype optimization. This goal can be accomplished by the following steps: 1. selecting the membership function assigned to the weight vectors of a fuzzy algorithm for learning vector quantization (FALVQ) competitive neural network (NN); 2. determining the effect of the non-winning prototypes on the attraction between the winning prototype and the input of the network; 3. execluting the genetic operations including selection, reproduction, crossover, and mutation until obtain the optimization of NN topology, The experimental results indicate that the proposed approach can identify different tissues and discriminate between normal tissues and abnormalities in human brain with Meningioma.

Keywords: Fuzzy Theory; Learning Vector Quantization; Fuzzy C-means Clustering Algorithm; Magnetic Resonance Images; neural network; Genetic Algorithm

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