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Complex Background Image Detection and Processing Based on Machine Vision

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Abstract:

This paper suggests a new method that generates sampling point along the guide line for linear contour defect detection and recognition. The method registers the vector data with the measured image to generate sampling points that can cover the contour accurately. Next, these sampling points are saved into a test file for quick batch detection of the same products. Then pictures are taken to eliminate the complex background noise on the objects to carry out a series of image pretreatment. On this basis, the algorithm that using SUSAN Operator is used to determine the location of the sampling points. Also, the potential defects are identified and classified. The method has good adaptability to the detection of linear image contour. It is of high application value due to reliability and real-time capability.

Keywords — Machine Vision, Defect Detection, Vector File, Image Contour

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I. INTRODUCTION

The main features of the machine vision is to improve production flexibility and automation, in some not suitable for manual operation of the risk environment or the human eye is difficult to meet the requirements of the occasion, machine vision has become a better alternative to artificial vision: at the same time in the scale of industrial production, artificial visual inspection of industrial product quality and low efficiency the poor precision, while the application of machine vision detection can greatly improve the detection efficiency and the degree of automation of production. And the machine vision is easy to realize the collection and integration of information, which is an important link in the realization of computer integrated manufacturing[1].

As one of the most important industrial applications of laser technology, laser cutting has become the main cutting technology of modern manufacturing automation processing. It has been widely applied in various kinds of cutting products, including wood puzzle. But because the laser

cutting machine, power stability table positioning precision and cutting effect to the product properties and the thickness and other factors, after cutting the quality of the finished products difficult to fully guarantee[2]. The main method is to remove the product line by artificial screening, and then reprocess the secondary board. With the laser cutting machine performance and continuously improve the efficiency of manual grading in the present mode of operation has been difficult to adapt to large-scale production needs, the urgent need to automatic detection of the corresponding equipment instead of manual, machine vision and objectivity, non contact and its characteristics of high efficiency and low cost can meet the requirements[3-4].

In view of the characteristics of wood puzzle products, it is the first time that the PLT document data should be used as a guide line for the detection of laser cutting products. Then the detection point is generated along the cutting tool path, and then it is saved as a file after stratifying and eliminating the corner point. It is used for the subsequent fast batch detection. In the test phase, first get tested board

with the corresponding reference point to the reference point in the PLT document to calculate the transformation matrix, and the detection point coordinates previously generated by the transfer matrix is projected onto the knife on the road; secondly, by sorting out line defect using the SUSAN operator in the detection point of the tool path; finally, the type of defect judgment, so as to realize the automatic classification of defects. Wood puzzle products is shown in Fig.1.

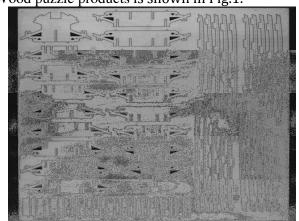


Fig. 1 wood puzzle products

II. PLT DATA PROCESSING

Different from the traditional strategy to rely on standard image plane domain object defect detection template, a major innovation of this method is through the analytic vector file accurate position coordinates to be detected in ROI region, and then targeted to point to the surface using discrete sampling points to detect the continuous cutting edge. The main operation is shown in Figure 2.

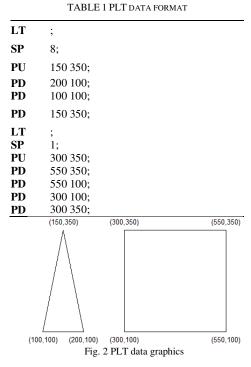


A. PLT format overview

The PLT document is derived from the HP plotter. Because of its characteristics of vector, small files, less system resources and high marking efficiency, it has become the main basis of laser marking. It acts as a transitional file for CAD drawing, and uses HP-GL language to simulate the output of plotters[4].

The data in PLT documents are composed of instruction set and numeric value, so all the information of vector image is retained. The instruction set mainly consists of drawing basic segments, such as line segments, circles, ellipses, arcs, and arbitrary polygons[5].

The following number of "PU" or "PD" is the two-dimensional coordinate information that is passed or stayed by the knife. From a "PU" beginning with several "PD" until the next one is not "PD", a polygon graph can be formed by a straight line connection[6]. A segment that starts with "PU" with the end of "PD" is called a cutting segment. Table 1 shows (150,350) to draw a basic HP-GL statement is required for the vertex coordinates of the isosceles triangle and square of length 250, one of the first data segment represented by an isosceles triangle (150,350) pen, after (200,100) (100,100), two points, and then return to the starting point. The PLT graph is shown as shown in Figure 2.



B. Selection of target tool path and corner point

In the product cutting path by vector file, need to select the appropriate tool path diagram to detect, and obtain four corner cutting path, the process is shown in figure 3.

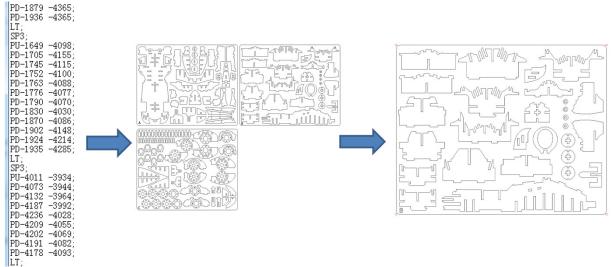


Fig. 3 Selection of target tool path

C. Separating line segments and regions

Wooden Jigsaw products ensure that the parts on board are easy to be removed, but not too loose, so that they fall off naturally. As shown in Figure 4, there are usually some small connection points to be kept during cutting to keep the parts and boards in a more stable connection state. The part that needs to be removed from the part is completely treated with a closed knife and does not leave the connection point. This is part of the tool path is composed of a plurality of data segments in the PLT data, and the need to eliminate the knife closed domain is usually only a data description, namely the pen "PU" and the data segment at the end of the "PD" point.

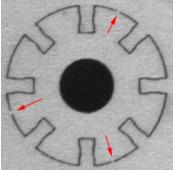


Fig. 4 connection points

Because of the difference in the processing strategy of the cutting line and the cutter domain in the subsequent detection algorithm, the lines and domains in the data stream are marked respectively when the document is imported.

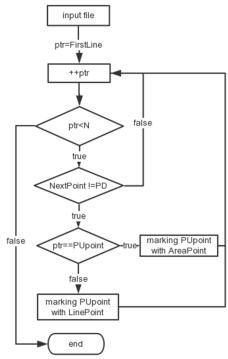


Fig. 5 Separation flow chart

As shown in Figure 5, in the import PLT document read into the data line, if the "PU" or "PD" to start the judgment, the next line of data is not "PD" indicates that the data segment at the end point, PU point and the first comparison if the two coordinates will be marked as the same domain, said all the coordinates of the data segment in all

domain attributes; otherwise the marked line, said all the coordinates of the data segment in all lines of property. The separation effect is shown in Figure 6

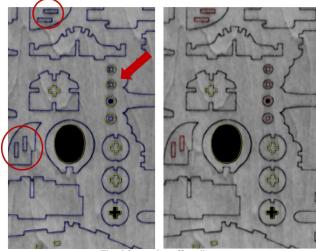


Fig. 6 Separation effect diagram

D. Sampling point generation

After implementing the differentiated operation in line area, the next step is to generate corresponding line sampling points and domain sampling points on the tool path, and achieve the purpose of detecting continuous line segments or edges with discrete points. The effect is shown in Figure 7.

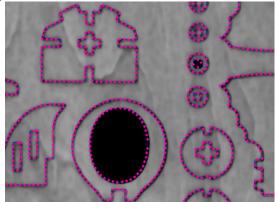


Fig. 7 Sampling point generation

E. The generation and densification of the inspection free point

In the subsequent use of the edge detection template for processing, if the sampling point is too close to the corner less than equal to the right angle edge, the error will be misjudged to affect the result. Meanwhile, in view of the fact that most of the wood puzzle defects are continuous large area distribution, and based on a large number of experimental data, it is found that removing the inflection point which only accounts for a small part of the total does not affect the experimental results. Therefore, the operation of eliminating the corner adjacent points to the sampling point is carried out. As shown in Figure 8.

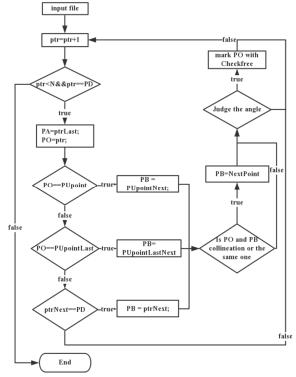


Fig. 8 free point generation

Since the PLT documents generated by Auto CAD in most situations have on the details of the individual part of the modified artificial pruning, the premise leads to the PLT document in a data section of the basic order, there will be irregular scattered arrangement. The following rules are summarized as follows:

- 1. No concurrent data segments are not collinear, form an angle;
- 2. Both point to form a closed domain data segment;
- 3. The coordinate points in the data segment are collinear.
- 4. The data segment PU and a PD at the end of concurrent data segment;

- 5. The data segment at the end of the PD and separated by a plurality of data segments of PU points;
- 6. There are two PU concurrent multiple data segments;
 - 7.PU and adjacent PD points;

8. Adjacent PD points;

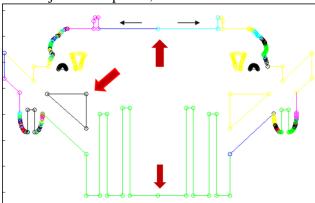


Fig. 9 Data schematic diagram

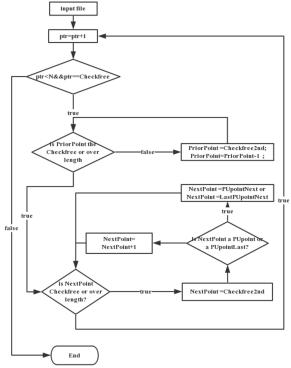


Fig. 10 free point densification

More than 1, 2, 4 cases accounted for the vast majority of PLT document, which is normally only angle judgment data segment for three consecutive points and a plurality of data segments of the data segment parts PU and PD at the end of the data

segment connected to the formation of these three kinds of situations, and domain data segment end to end. Its performance is shown as shown in Figure 9.

For the above three conventional and five special cases, the design flow chart is shown in Figure 10. The effect is shown as the highlight of the corner of Figure 11.

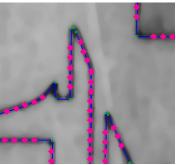


Fig. 11 free point

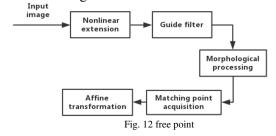
III. IMAGE PREPROCESSING AND MATCHING

The following three characteristics are the following: the material of the board, the dust in the workshop and the real time requirement of the detection system.

- 1) the contrast between the cutting line and the board background is low.
 - 2) the background noise of the board is large.
- 3) the resolution of single large scale picture is low.

In order to facilitate subsequent detection, registration points were collected after corresponding image preprocessing, affine transformation of vector data and matching with preprocessed pictures.

The image preprocessing and registration section is shown in Figure 12.



A. Nonlinear Extension

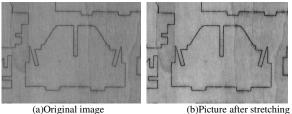
In order to highlight the contrast of gray value in ROI area[7], two methods of histogram equalization and histogram nonlinear stretching are compared in this paper[8]. But considering the definition of

relative threshold in subsequent process, we need to draw on the reference value of contrast stretching, so we use the latter.

Histogram nonlinear stretching mainly enhances the gray level of the target area and inhibits the gray level of the background or other non target areas, so as to achieve the goal of improving the difference between the target and the background.

$$g(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{c}{a} f(x,y) & 0 \leqslant f(x,y) < a \\ \frac{d-c}{b-a} f(x,y) & a \leqslant f(x,y) < b \\ \frac{M_g-d}{M_f-b} f(x,y) & b \leqslant f(x,y) \leqslant M_f \end{cases}$$
(1)

The original image f(x, y) on $[0, M_f]$, the gray range of the ROI region is [a,b], and would like to stretch it to the [c,d] interval [9], and the expression is like (1). The stretching effect is shown in Figure 13.



(b)Picture after stretching Fig. 13 free point

B. Guided filter

Due to the background of the wood wood puzzle compared to other industrial products manufactured with white noise, more involved in surface defect detection, edge information will be serious or even submerged, and taking into account the target area mainly to the main lines, so it is necessary to use the edge preserving filtering method to better noise performance.

In this test, Gauss filtering[10], median filtering[11], bilateral filtering[12] and guided filtering the four commonly used edge preserving filtering algorithm[13], the test found two edge information loss is more serious, the edge preserving effect is good, but the premise in the same SNR, oriented filtering efficiency is better, so choose the latter.

The mathematical expression of the guide filter is as follows:

$$q_i = \sum_{j \in \omega_i} W_{ij}(I) \bullet p_j \tag{2}$$

In (2) type, q_i representation of the i pixel in the image q, ω_i said window to the i pixel as the center of the p, p_i represents the j pixel in the window ω , and $W_{ij}(I) \cdot p_j$ represents the weight of the guided image in the weighted average operation. When I is p itself, the guiding filter has the effect of edge preserving and noise reduction.

C. Morphological processing

In order to extend the line width and improve the reliability of detection, and not cover up the defect information, morphological corrosion treatment is adopted in this paper, so that the tool path can be broadened on the premise that the original defect is preserved.

The mathematical expression of corrosion is as follows

$$X\Theta S = \{x \mid S + x \subseteq X\} \tag{3}$$

Formula (3) means that the elements of the X are added to all the elements of S, and the result is also X, which is the result of the expansion of X and S. It is specifically described as a set of point X that makes the structure element S moved after its central x is translated into the X[14].

D. Image matching point acquisition

In order to follow the need of affine transformation with vector data, four vertices of the plank and a total of eight points in the middle point of the four edges need to be obtained. The most important step is to fit the edge lines. In order to improve the accuracy of registration, two times of fitting are used.

Step1: rough fitting. In the experiment the author found that due to the wood puzzle path is very compact and close to the border, if the direct use of Hough transform line is easy to make the tool path board interior is counted as the edge, the first use of scanning get edge points and fitting a straight line for vertex.

Step2: locally fuzzy. The rough fitting point of the right angle vertex is obtained by Step1, and the local mean filtering is carried out in the direction of the wood puzzle, and the knife path is smoothed.

Step3: Hough transform is used for two times fitting. Hough line transformation is made for the

smooth after image obtained by Step2 and the intersection point between the X direction and the longest line in the Y direction is selected.

Step4: gets the four right angles of the target from Step3. The coordinates of X and the Y coordinates of the middle point of the left and right sides of the parallel upper and lower sides are obtained respectively, and the location of the point is scanned along the Y and X directions to get the actual midpoint coordinates.

Because the image acquired by the area array camera will be affected by the distortion produced by the lens and barrel distortion, the strategy of extracting the quadrangle midpoint and affine transformation to cancel the distortion is adopted.

E. Affine transformation

In image registration, vector data coordinates are projected onto the image coordinate system to be measured by affine transformation. Because the two fitting of matching points and the processing of Step4 offset the influence of image distortion, the accuracy of matching is guaranteed[15].

The vector data can get the transformation matrix by its matching points with the pictures to be measured, and then the data of the sampling point can be processed accordingly.

IV. SUSAN OPERATOR

Definition: absorption of the nuclear same value area. Move the circular template on the image (see Figure 14). If the difference between the pixel gray in the template and the pixel center of the template is less than a given threshold, it is considered that the point is the same value as the center point, and the area composed of pixels satisfying such conditions is called the absorption core value area (USAN). The USAN area contains the structure information of the image in a local area. The size of the same value kernel reflects the intensity of the local feature of the image[16]. The size of the USAN area in a point in the image can be expressed in the lower form:

$$n(\vec{r}_0) = \sum_{i} c(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$$
 (4)

$$c(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = 1, \ |I(\vec{r}) - I(\vec{r}_0)| \le t;$$

= 0, other (5)

When the circular template is in the background or in the target completely, the area of the USAN area is the largest. When the template moves to the target edge, the area of the USAN area decreases. When the center is at the target edge, the USAN area is very small. When the center is at the target corner, the USAN area is the smallest. With the size of the USAN area on each point of the image as a saliency measure of the feature, the smaller the point of the USAN region the more prominent. The method can detect corner point, intersection point and edge point quickly and without direction. As shown in figures 14 and figure 15.

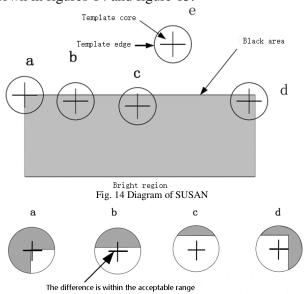
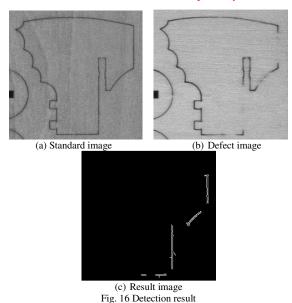


Fig. 15 Diagram of corner points selecting

V. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

In order to verify the feasibility of the algorithm, a series of experiments were carried out on a microcomputer with thousands of images and multiple sub region cross-correlation tracking algorithms. These images contain a large number of visible light targets with various motion gestures in complex backgrounds.

Figure 16 (a) is a standard image without defects. Figure 16 (b) is a defect image. There are some segments missing in the graph, and the results obtained by this algorithm are 16 (c). All the defects are completely detected.



VI. CONCLUSION AND PROSPECT

This paper presents a new method for vector file generating sampling point detection of wood puzzle cutting, and can accurately identify the rapid detection of cutting defects, and high real-time performance, better meet the application requirements of industrial field for real-time detection, of manual detection in reliability and real-time advantages. The detection algorithm is not only for wood puzzle detection, but also for other industrial products which are mainly characterized by line and surface area, such as detection of PCB and FPC. At the same time, the whole detection process of the system is integrated into a set of software with simple operation and friendly

interface, which has great application and popularization prospect in practical application.

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