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## **Optical Character Recognition**

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**Abstract** - Literature reported that Optical Character Recognition (OCR) is one of the application in the field of computer science. The imperative research areas of OCR are pattern recognition and artificial intelligence. Numerous OCR techniques are in existence for foreign languages. Recently OCR was developed for indian languages such as Tamil, Telugu, Hindi and more. In this paper I have presented an optical character recognition system for the Indian language Malayalam where in I have used the Radial Basis Function (RBF) neural network for training and testing the character set. This methodology promises to present simple and efficient platform to construct a full OCR system extended with suitable pre-processing. The tolerance of the system is evident as it overwhelm the complexities out of font variations and the system proves to be flexible and robust on the whole.