

An image registration technique to enhance PCB inspection algorithms with real images

Abstract

It is well known that real PCB image inspection based on referential approaches faces misalignment problems in detecting defects between a template image and a defective image. Hence, a reliable image registration technique is needed to align these two images perfectly. Hence, a registration technique which incorporates affine transformation and bi-cubic interpolation has been proposed. Experimental results have shown that this registration technique is suitable to be employed to obtain well-aligned defective images before detection algorithm takes place in PCB inspection. Keywords: Printed circuit boards, Image registration, Affine transformation, Bi-cubic interpolation, Defect detection.