

Building a Face Recognition Demonstrator

Responsible AI for Biometrics Group

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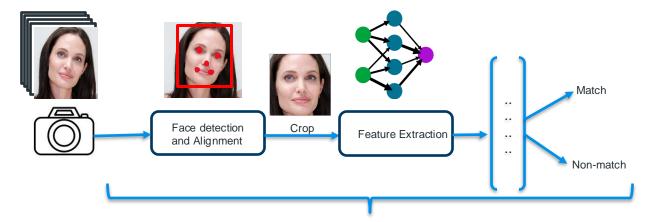




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Continuous Face Recognition



• The process is repeated continuously for each new frame in the video stream.





Face Image Pre-processing

Face detection and Alignment:





Capture image

Detect face



Detect Landmarks



Align face

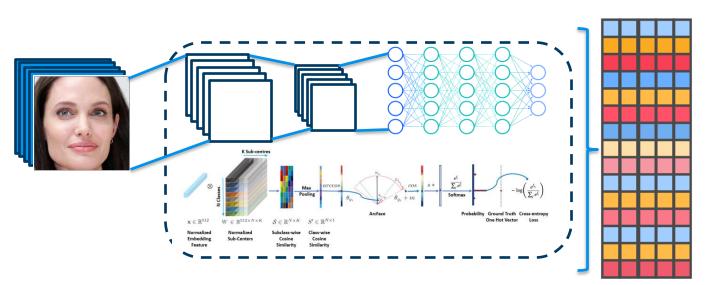


Crop face image





Face Feature Extraction



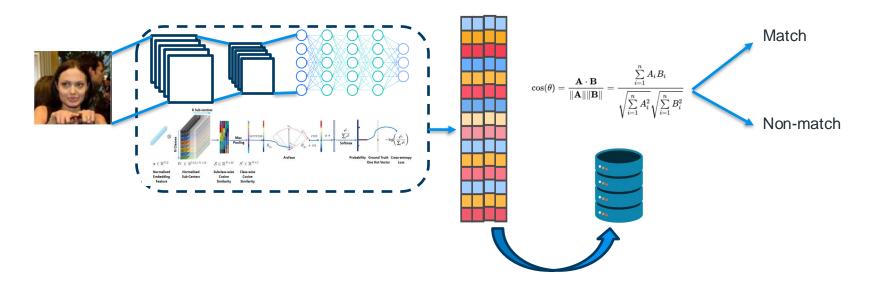
face templates or embeddings

Generated representations are either:

- Stored in the database as part of enrolment.
- Used for comparison.



Face Matching

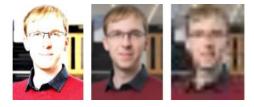


• Recognize or verify faces by comparing embeddings with template stored in the database.

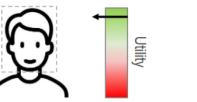


Face Image Quality

• Face recognition performance tends to degrade in unconstrained environments.



• **Biometric Image Quality:** It is used to estimate the suitability (utility) of face images for face recognition.



- Advantages:
 - More robust enrolment process.
 - The performance of face recognition is driven by the quality of the samples.

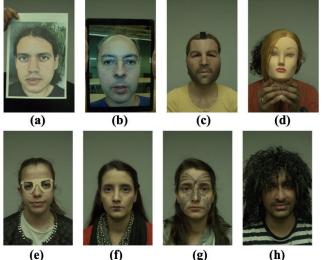
UNIVERSITÄT PADERBORN Face Presentation Attack Detection

Presentation attacks: attempts to deceive a biometric authentication system by presenting a fake or manipulated biometric sample to the sensor.

• Attackers attempt to spoof the system at the capture time.

Presentation attack detection: techniques used to detect and prevent presentation attacks on biometric systems.

• It is a binary process of deciding whether a sample is bona fide or an imposter.







Main Goal:

Create a demonstrator that showcases real-time face recognition technology by deploying and integrating the essential modules of an end-to-end face recognition system. This includes face detection, alignment, feature extraction, identity matching, quality assessment, and presentation attack detection.

Key components:





Project Details

Project Tasks:

- Setting up the hardware, software libraries and tools (e.g., OpenCV, Dlib, TensorFlow/PyTorch).
- Designing and Building the FaceDemo user interface.
- Deploying a module to continuously capture frames from the live video feed.
- Implement face detection and alignment algorithms (e.g., using Haar cascades, MTCNN).
- Integrate a model to perform face matching against database of known individuals.
- Implement methods to evaluate the quality of face images.
- Integrate techniques to detect and prevent spoofing attacks.
- Test the different use-cases of the system and evaluate its robustness.



Project further Information

What do you need:

- Interest in **biometrics**, motivation to work and enthusiasm.
- Programing skills preferably in **python**.
- Knowledge in machine learning / deep learning.
- Knowledge in libraries such as OpenCV, pytorch, tensorflow is a plus.

How can I know more, see the following:

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