
A Face Detection and Facial Expression Recognition Method

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Face & Facial Expressions with you**

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- Related work
- Proposed methodology

■ Skin color detection

■ Face Detection

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- Skin Region Synthesis
- LG Graph

■ Facial Expression Detection

■ Applications

■ Conclusions

Introduction

- **What-why-how**
- **Face detection**
- **Related work (a brief overview)**
- **Motivation / Open issues**
- **Proposed methodology overview**

What-Why-How

■ What

A method for detecting and recognizing facial expressions in real environment

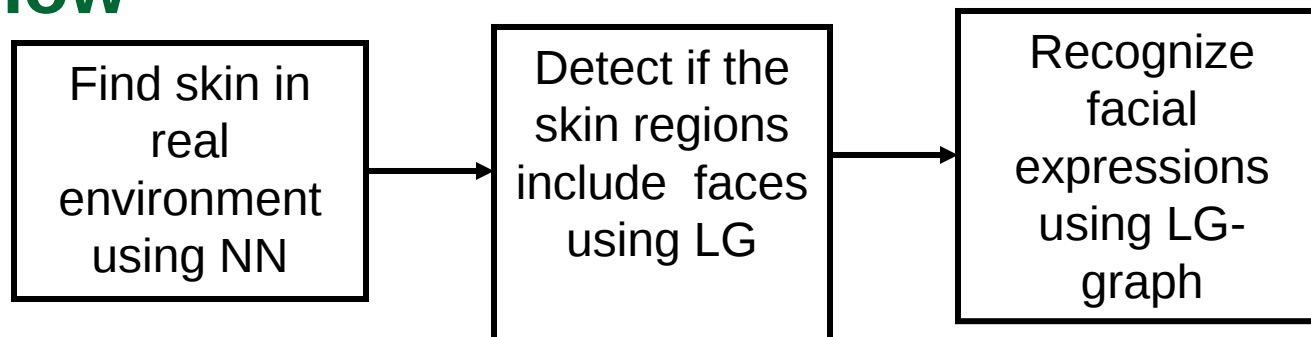
■ Why

Understanding Human Behavior and Emotions (HHI-HMI)

Security

Surveillance

■ How



Face Detection

■ Goal

- Detect and locate the face present in the image regardless of
 - Illuminations
 - Background
 - Occlusions
 - Facial pose, orientation and expressions

■ Why is face detection important?

- Primary step in
 - Face expression detection
 - Vision-based Intelligent HCI Systems
 - Secure Identification and Authentication

Appearance based approaches

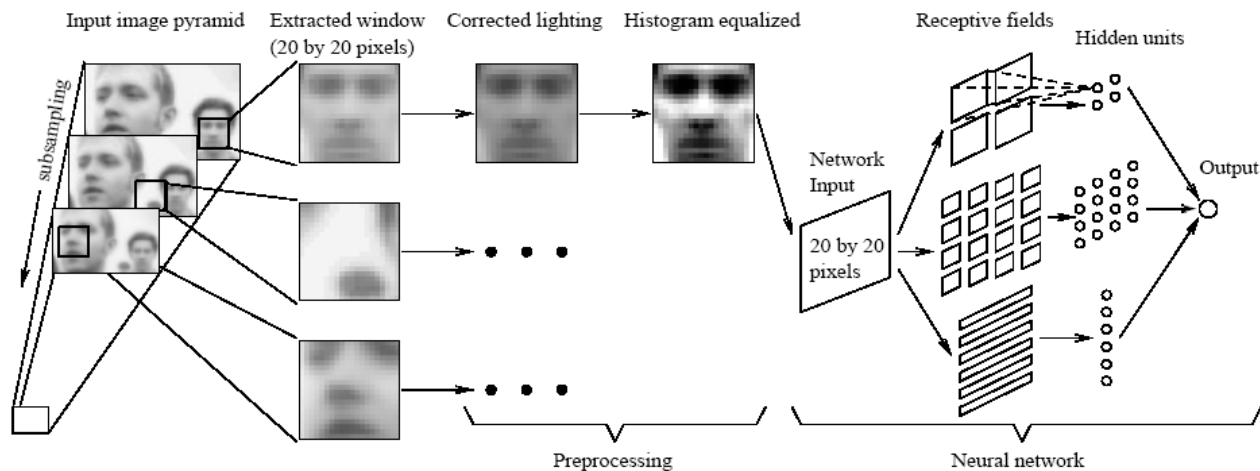
■ Approach

- Face is recognized as a whole
- Face and non-face patterns are learned

■ Limitations

- Accurate in frontal images with simple background and in well-illuminations

■ Example - NN Face Detector [Rowley et al., 96, 98]



Template based approaches

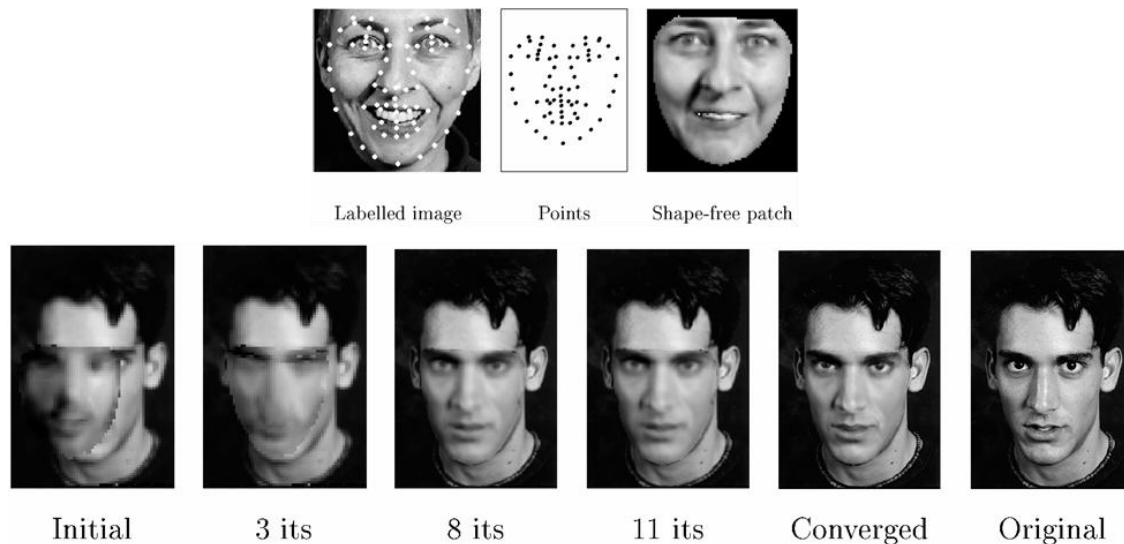
■ Approach

- A standard face pattern is pre-defined
- Use correlation to locate faces

■ Limitations

- Difficult to extend to various poses, shapes and scale

■ Example - Active Shape / Appearance Model [Cootes & Taylor, 01]



Feature based approaches

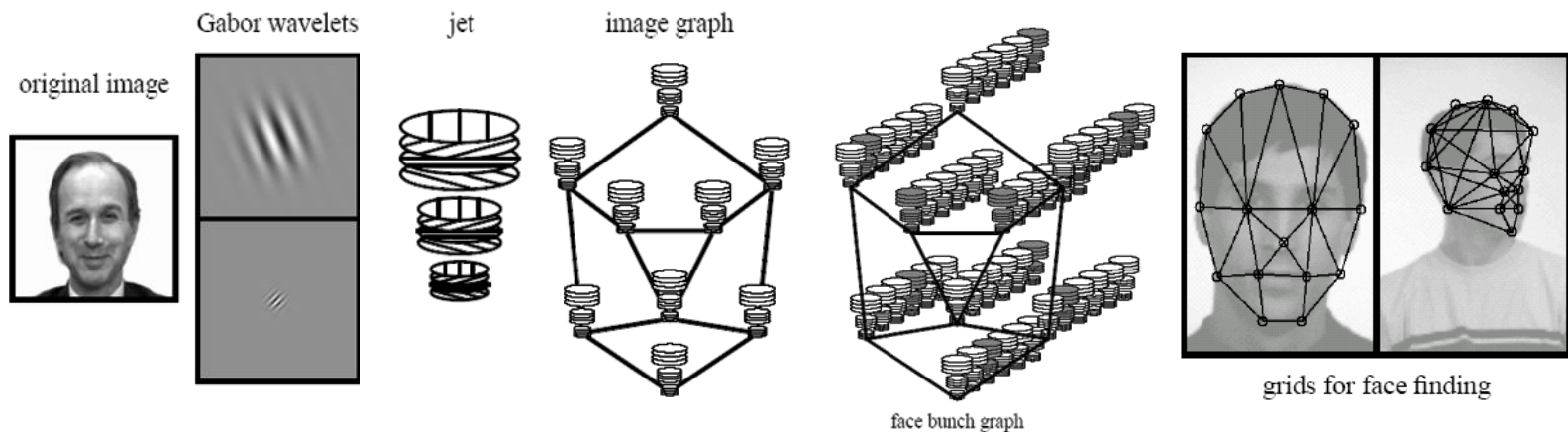
■ Approach

- Detect invariant facial features
- Group features into candidate faces and verify them

■ Limitations

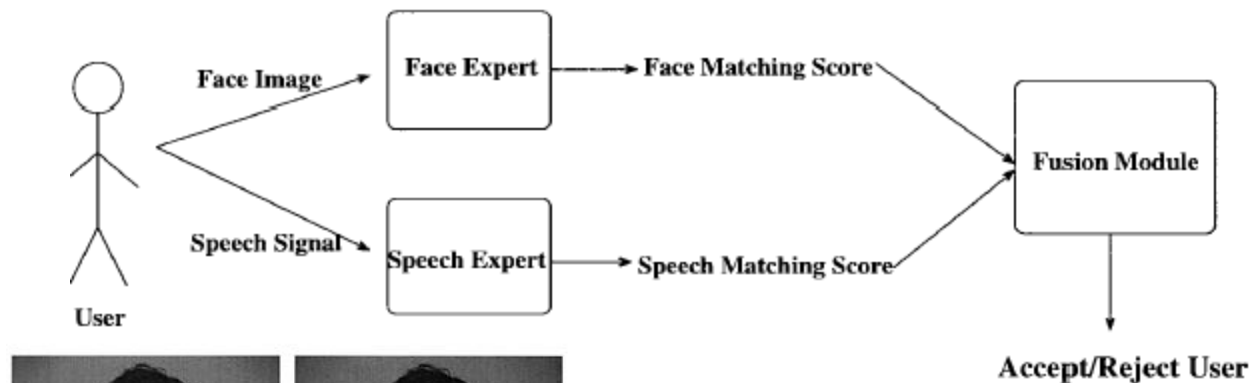
- Difficult to locate features in complex backgrounds and in various illuminations

■ Example - Elastic Bunch Graph [Wiskott et al., 99]



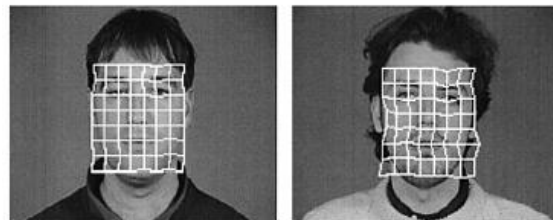
Multiple Modalities Face-Detection

.Perceptron: Better performance than single modalities (Yacoub, et. al. IEEE T-NN, 1999)



(a)

(b)



(c)

(d)

TABLE I
PERFORMANCE OF SINGLE MODALITIES ON TEST SETS

Modality	Conf I			Conf II		
	FA	FR	EER	FA	FR	EER
Face (EGM)	8.08	8.5	8.4	7.67	7.25	7.31
Voice (Spher.)	1.6	5.00	3.25	5.53	4.25	4.75
Voice (HMM)	0.00	1.48	0.75	-	-	-

Open issues

■ Current face detection methods [FRVT 2003]

- Low performance
 - Outdoor images with uncontrolled illuminations
 - Complex backgrounds
 - Non-frontal views

■ Realistic, unavoidable conditions!

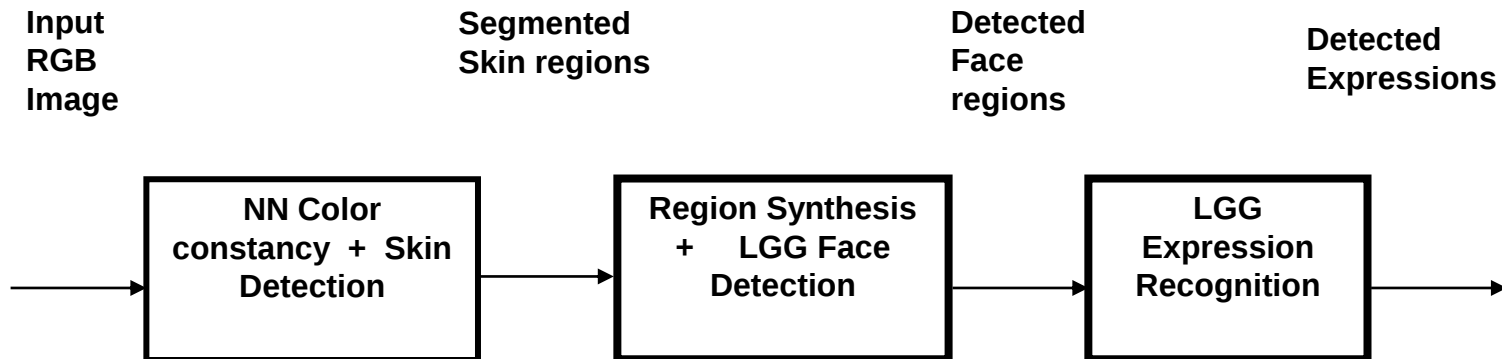
* Need a robust method to satisfactorily detect faces in

- * varying illuminations
- * complex backgrounds

The Local-Global Graph Approach

■ Overview

- Skin detection
- L-G graph Face detection
- L-G graph Expression detection



Skin-color Adaptation

- ANN method for skin-color adaptation
- Skin detection results

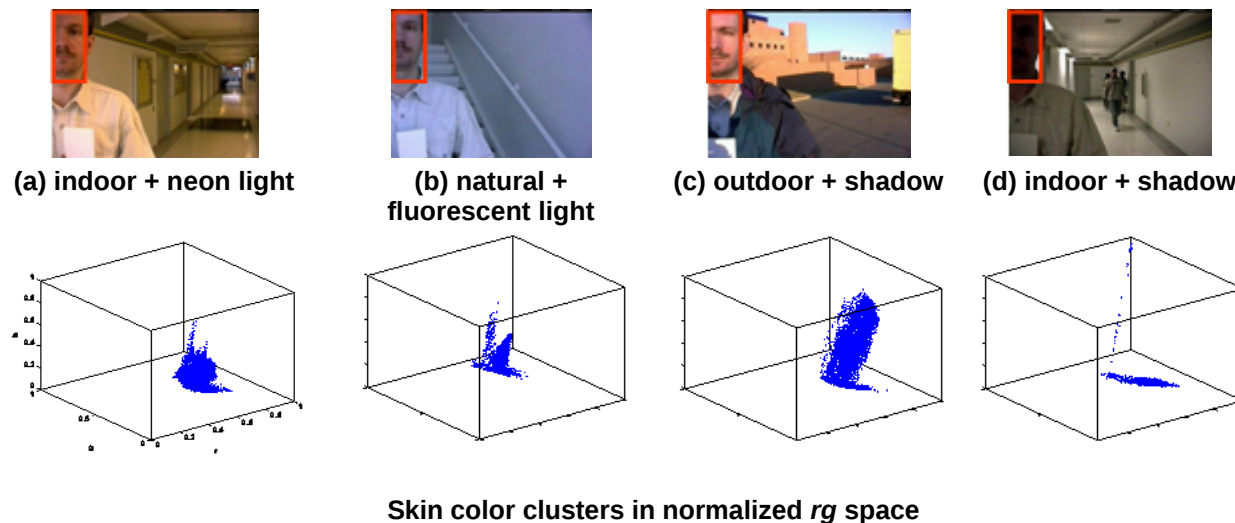
Skin-color

■ Skin-color

- Robust against rotations, scaling and partial occlusions
- Challenges - ethnicity, Illuminations, background, makeup, motion

■ Effect of Illumination

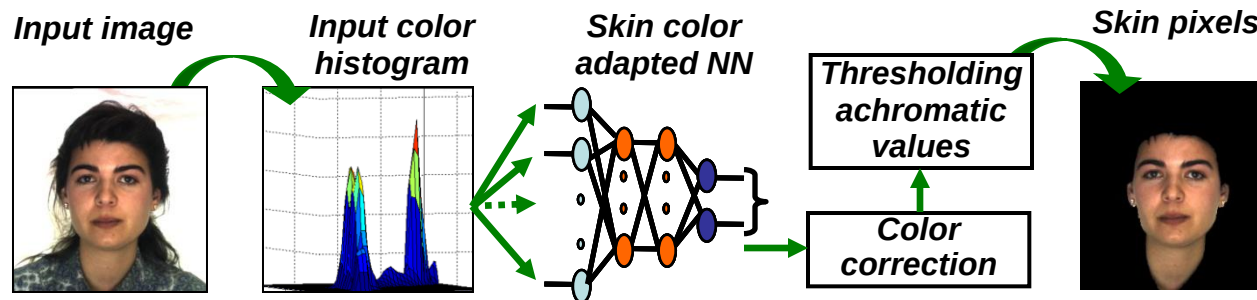
- Skin-color varies significantly with different illuminations
- Humans can dynamically adapt to these illumination changes - color constancy



Skin detection approach

■ Overview [Kakumanu-Bourbakis, *ICTAI-04*]

- Apply color correction
- Estimate the illuminant
 - Train a neural network to estimate the skin color illuminant
 - Apply color correction in LMS cone space
- Detect skin as the achromatic region

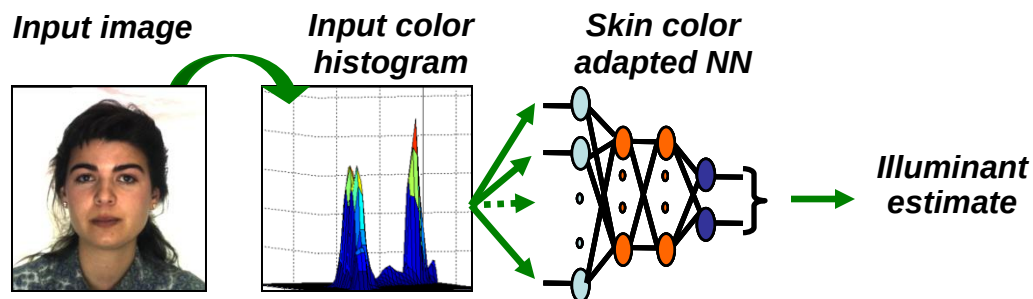


Skin detection overview

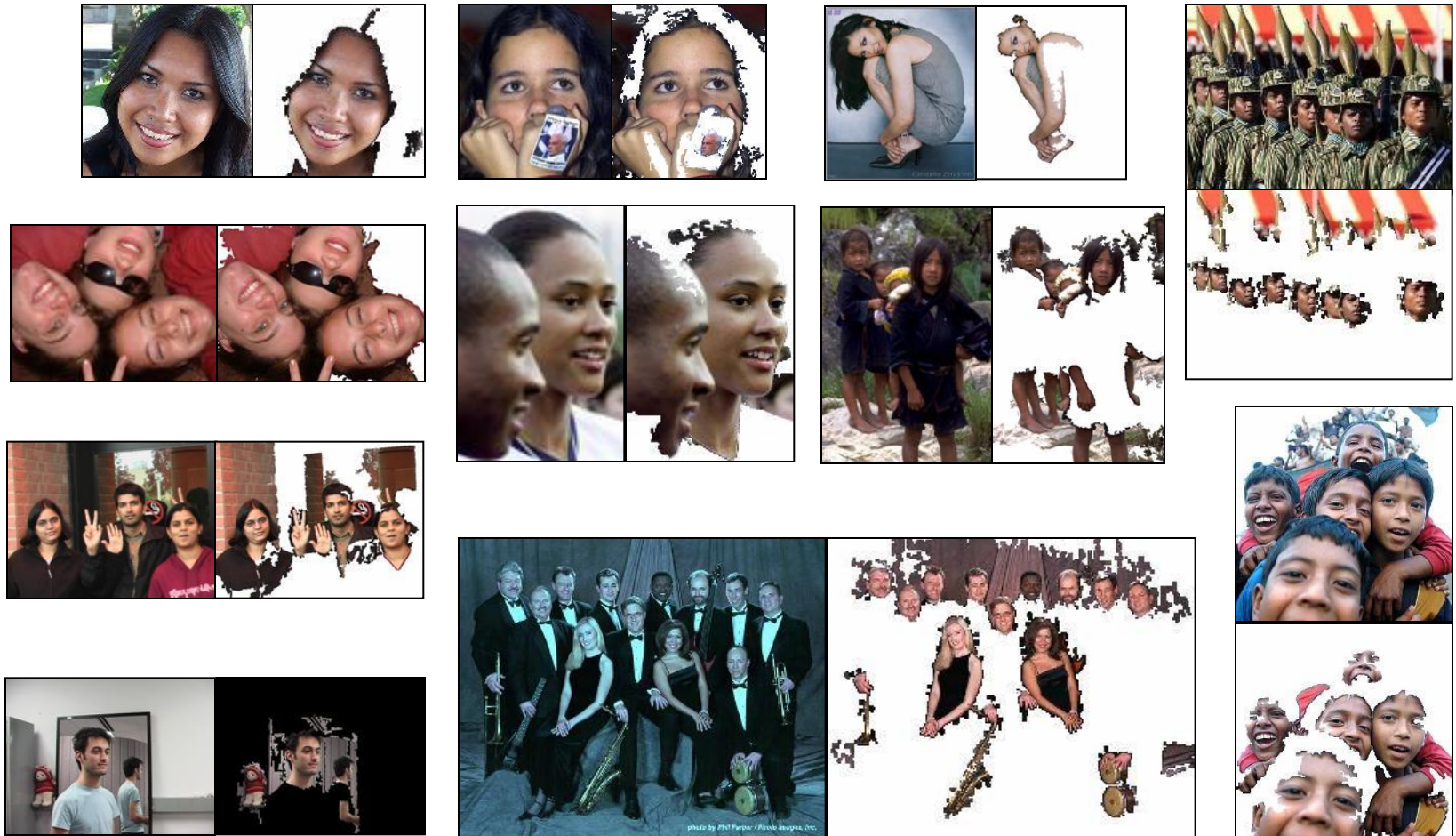
ANN for skin color adaptation

■ Multi-layer perceptron network

- Three layered - $1600 * 48 * 8 * 2$ [Cardei, 00]
- Input
 - Input rg space is divided into $40 * 40$ discrete bins
 - Input to the neuron is 1 or 0
- Output
 - Expected $\underline{rg}$ chromaticity of the image illuminant



Skin detection results



Images from UCD Database [Sharma & Reilly, 2003]
+ Images collected at WSU

L-G Graph Face Detection

- **FRG Segmentation** (smoothing, edge detection segmentation)
- **Facial feature region representation**
- **Region synthesis**
- **Face LG Graph**
- **LG Graph matching**
- **Face detection results**

Face Detection: Smoothing

- Smoothing is usually considered as an important preprocessing step for a segmentation operation that allows a reduction of the noise within an image
- It works as low pass filter by making areas more continuous in their color value
- It destructs, however, edges within an image

Face Detection: Edge Detection

- **Edge Detection is the important process that preserves the edges and sharp capes**
- **It works as high pass filter that does not change high frequencies**

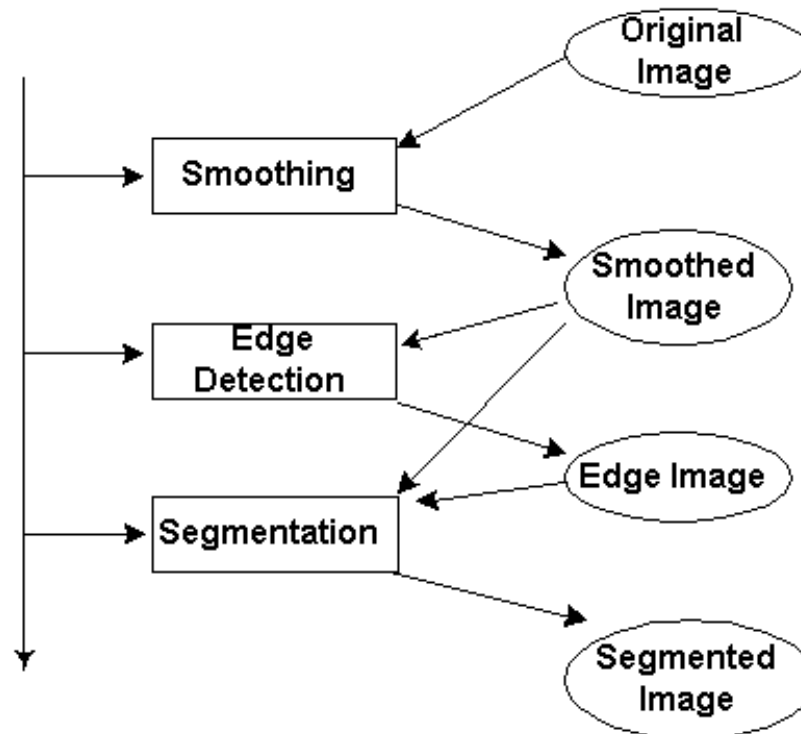
Face Detection: Segmentation

■ Motivation

- Skin regions form candidate faces - detect true faces from skin regions

■ Identify-extract key features using FRG

- Apply Fuzzy Region Growing (FRG) Segmentation [Moghaddamzadeh- Bourbakis, 1993]



Illustrative Example

:Original, Smoothed, Edged, Segmented



Fuzzy Region Growing (FRG) Segmentation

- Find big and crisp segments.
- Expand segments based on homogeneity criteria.
- Expand segments based on dichromatic reflection model.
- Expand segments based on degree of farness measure.
- Apply an iterative filter.
- Find medium size segments.
- Expand segments using homogeneity criteria and degree of farness
- Fill in blank regions
- Apply an iterative filter.

Face detection

■ Identify key features

- Apply Fuzzy Region Growing (FRG) Segmentation



Skin-segmented Image



FRG Segmented Image

Local Graph

■ Local graph [Bourbakis 1987, 2002]

- Represent the shape by a set of line segments
- Use local graph to encode spatial relationships

i. The individual properties P_j of line Ln_j ,

$$P_j = \{sp(\text{starting point}), l(\text{length}), d'(\text{orientation}), cu(\text{curvature})\}$$

where the index j indicates the appropriate segment.

ii. The relationships RL_{ij} among the line segments

$$RL_{ij} = \{c(\text{connectivity}), p(\text{parallelism}), rd(\text{relative distance}), rm(\text{relative magnitude}), \\ sy(\text{symmetry}), \text{etc}\}$$

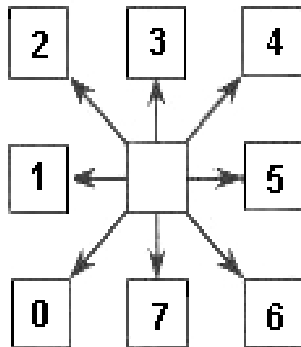
where, the sub index ij means the relationship between line i and line j .

$$SH = \bigcup \{Ln_j \cdot R_{j,j+1}^c \cdot Ln_{j+1}\}$$

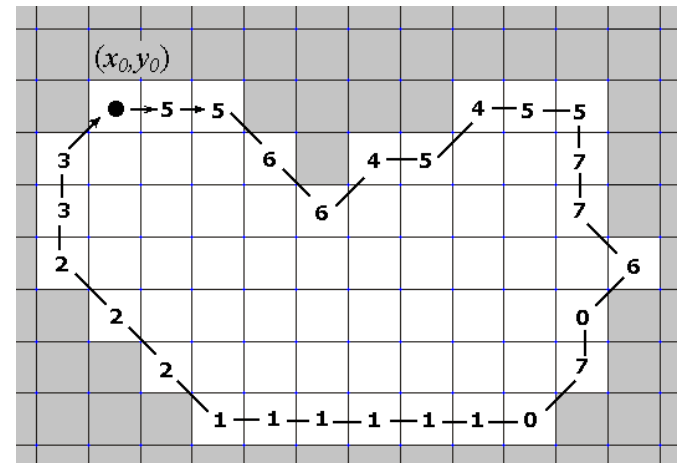
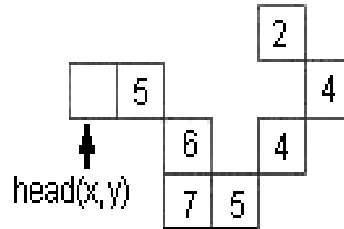
$$= Ln_1 \cdot R_{1,2}^c \cdot Ln_2 \cdot R_{2,3}^c \cdot Ln_3 \cdot R_{3,4}^c \cdot \dots \cdot Ln_{n-2} \cdot R_{n-2,n-1}^c \cdot Ln_{n-1} \cdot R_{n-1,n}^c \cdot Ln_n$$

Chain Coding or Freeman Coding

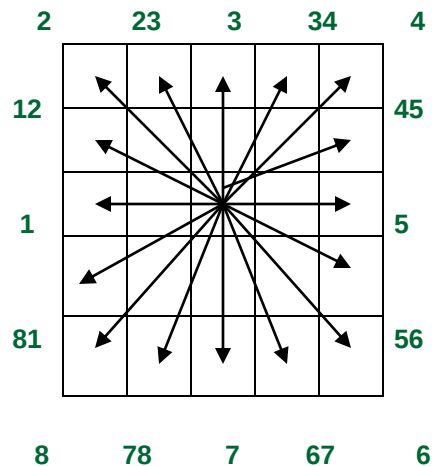
- Chain coding encodes the position of a pixel not by its actual Cartesian coordinates, but rather by its relative position to an adjoining pixel.



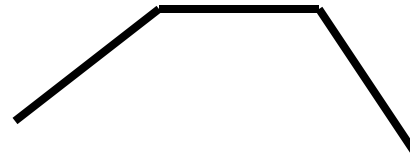
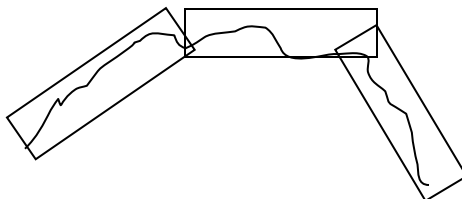
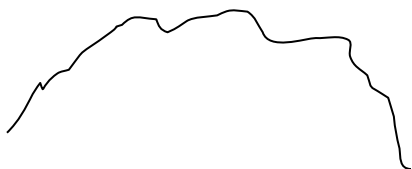
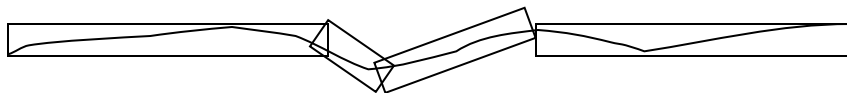
Example chain code:



Chain Coding & Line Segments



An extended chain code



Chain Code and Line Segments

String

$$S = k_1(d_i)k_2(d_j)k_3(d_n)\dots k_r(d_m)$$

where $d_i \in \{1,12,2,23,3,\dots,78,8\}$ represent directions, see chain code and $k_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$S = L_1 R_{12} L_2 R_{23} L_3 \dots L_n R_{n1} L_1$$

where L_i represents a line segment and R_{ij} the connectivity relationship with the next line segment R_j

Line Graph Generation

$$S = L_1 R_{12} L_2 R_{23} L_3 \dots L_n R_{n1} L_1$$

$$g : L \longrightarrow G$$

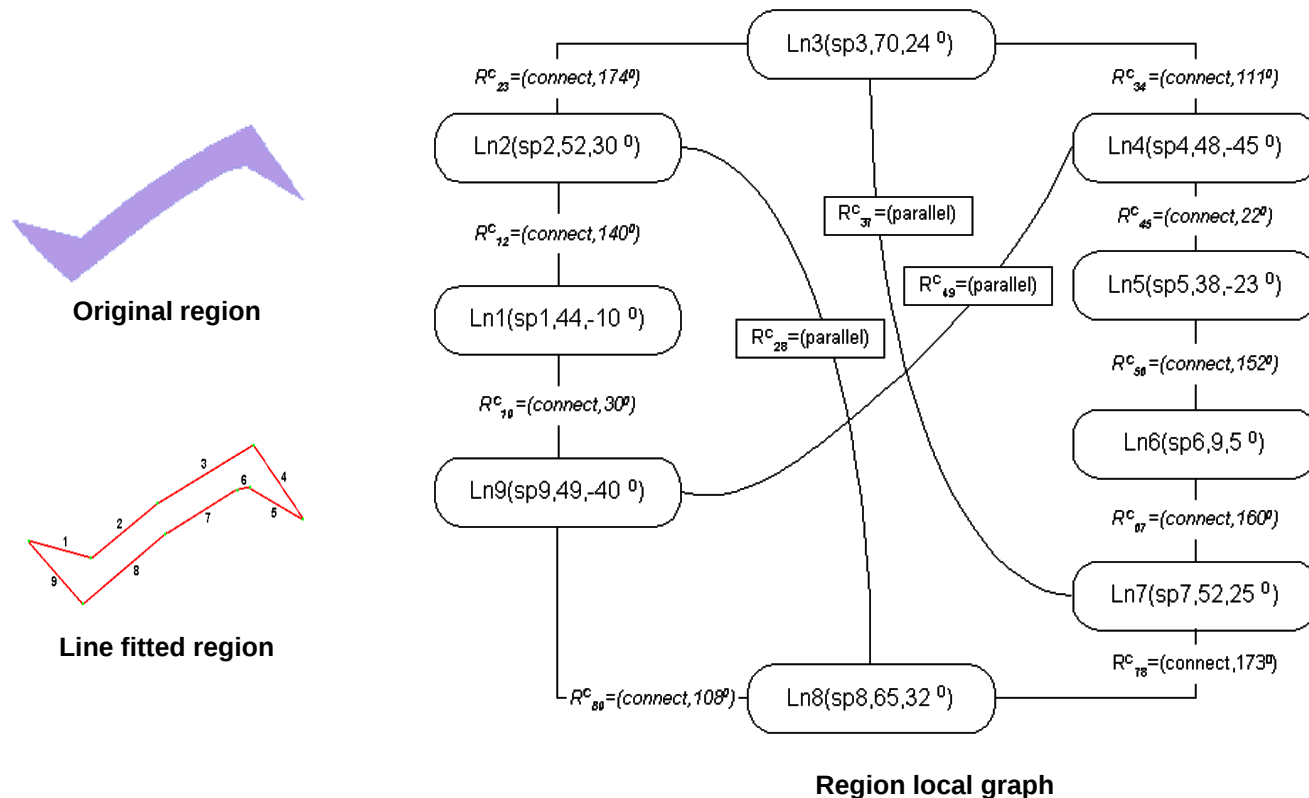
where $g(L_i) = N_i$ and $g(R_{ij}) = a_{ij}$

$N_i = \{ \text{sp, orientation, length, curvature} \}$

$R_{ij} = \{ \text{connectivity, parallelism, symmetry, etc} \}$

Local Region graph

■ Example



Region Matching with Wavelets: Geometry Transformation

Single region matching using Wavelets (Yuan-Bourbakis 2002)

A region's border is represented as

$$f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, t=1, 2, \dots, m$$

The general form of 2-D geometry transformation matrix is

$$\phi = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{1,1} & \phi_{1,2} & \phi_{1,3} \\ \phi_{2,1} & \phi_{2,2} & \phi_{2,3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \phi = \begin{bmatrix} rS_{xx} & rS_{xy} & trS_{xx} \\ rS_{yx} & rS_{yy} & trS_{yx} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g(t) = S \cdot M_{\theta} \cdot f(t) + T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} rS_{xx} & rS_{xy} & trS_{xx} \\ rS_{yx} & rS_{yy} & trS_{yx} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

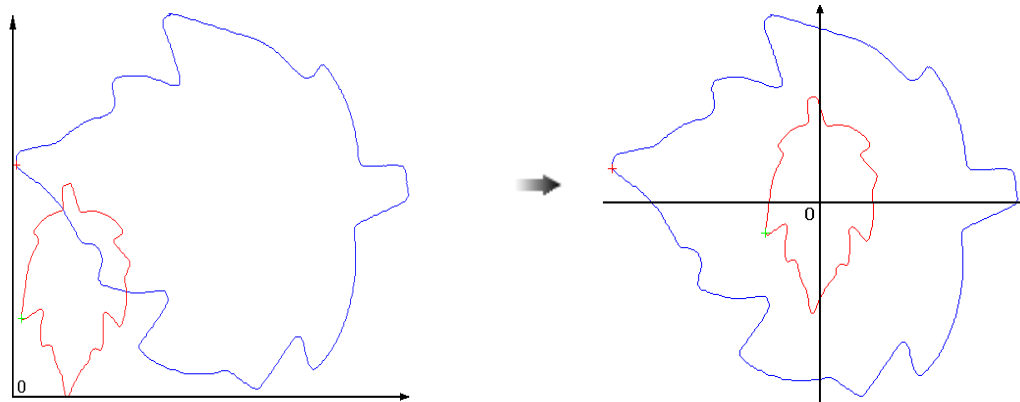
Region Matching: Translation

- we set the scale factors to both x and y directions are the same, i.e. $s \equiv s_x \equiv s_y$, thus.

$$g(t) = s \cdot M_{\theta} \cdot f(t) + T$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{cen}(g(t)) &= F_{cen}(s \cdot M_{\theta} \cdot f(t) + T) \\ &= F_{cen}(s \cdot M_{\theta} \cdot f(t)) + F_{cen}(T) \\ &= F_{cen}(f(t)) + T \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow T = F_{cen}(g(t)) - F_{cen}(f(t))$$



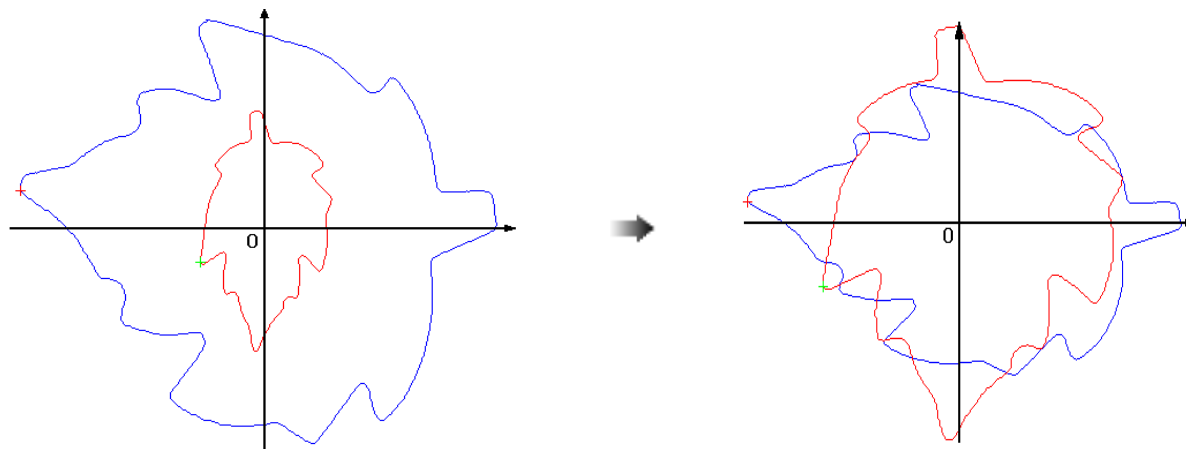
Translate parameter example

Region Matching: Scale

- Momentum is a measure of object's mass distribution.

$$\begin{aligned} Mom' &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i \cdot \|p'_i - p'_{centroid}\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i \cdot \|s \cdot p_i - s \cdot p_{centroid}\|^2 \\ &= s^2 \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i \cdot \|p_i - p_{centroid}\|^2 \\ &= s^2 \cdot Mom \end{aligned}$$

$$Mom = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i \cdot \|p_i - p_{centroid}\|^2$$
$$\Rightarrow s = \left(\frac{Mom'}{Mom} \right)^{1/2}$$



Scale parameter example

Region Matching: Rotation

The rotate matrix M is defined as

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

the rotated curve $f'(t)$ is computed by

$$f'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t)' \\ y(t)' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = M * f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0 \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

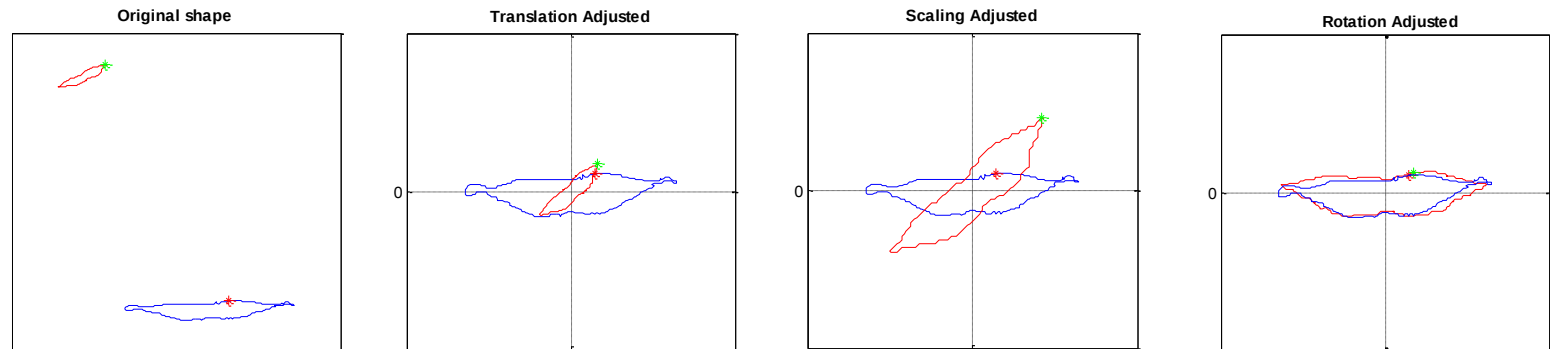
Open problems are

- Rotate angle
- Point correspondence

Region matching: Lips example

■ Single region matching using Wavelets (Yuan-Bourbakis 2002)

- Translation
- Scaling
- Rotation



Example of single region matching (model region in *blue*, object region in *red*)

Region Synthesis

■ Synthesis of regions (Bourbakis 1987)



■ Motivation

- For face detection, need to Identify the key facial regions and their spatial relationships.
- Other regions - not necessary!

Region Synthesis steps

1. *Initialize the first region which is closer to average skin color as the active skin region. The degree of closeness is calculated as the RGB color difference.*
2. *Select the next region which is closer to average skin color. Find the common edge between this region and the active region.*
3. *If a common edge is found, synthesize the current region and the active region. Assign new region to active region.*
4. *If all regions have been processed, region synthesis completes; otherwise go to step 2.*

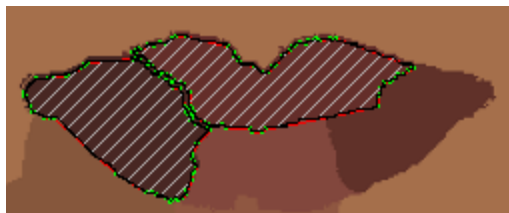
Region Synthesis

■ Skin region synthesis

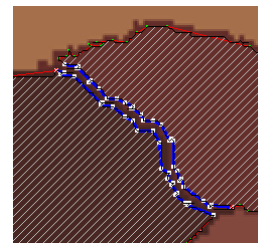
- Merge neighbor regions into a single segment
 - Neighborhood region searching based on *skin-color similarity*
 - Find common edge using local graph

$$L_1 = Ln_1 R_{12}^c Ln_2 R_{23}^c Ln_3 R_{34}^c \dots Ln_{n-1} R_{n-1n}^c Ln_n$$

$$L_2 = L'n_1 R_{12}^c L'n_2 R_{23}^c L'n_3 R_{34}^c \dots L'n_{m-1} R_{m-1m}^c L'n_m$$



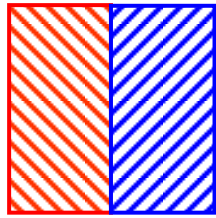
Selected regions



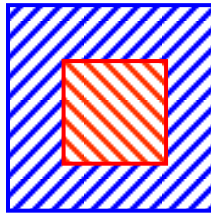
Detected common edge

Region Synthesis

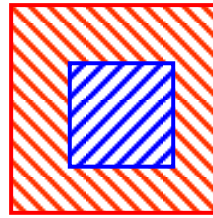
.Relationships among regions



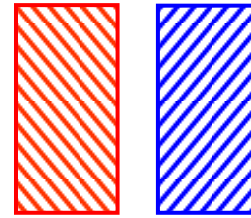
Contiguous



Contain



Contained



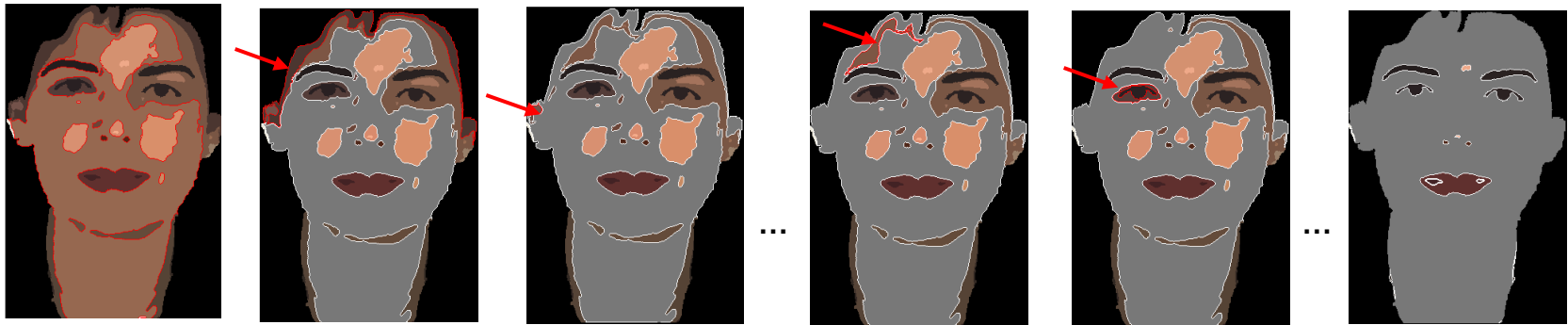
Separate

$$\text{shape}(R_{12}) = \begin{cases} \text{shape}(R_1)\text{shape}(R_2), & \text{if } \text{REL}(R_1, R_2) = \text{contiguous} \\ \text{shape}(R_1), & \text{if } \text{REL}(R_1, R_2) = \text{contain} \\ \text{shape}(R_2), & \text{if } \text{REL}(R_1, R_2) = \text{contained} \\ \phi, & \text{if } \text{REL}(R_1, R_2) = \text{separate} \end{cases}$$

Skin region synthesis

■ Skin region removal or face-lifting

- Remove skin region - Do not consider it further!
- Advantage - Simplifies LG graph matching



Skin region synthesis procedure for face lifting for extracting facial features



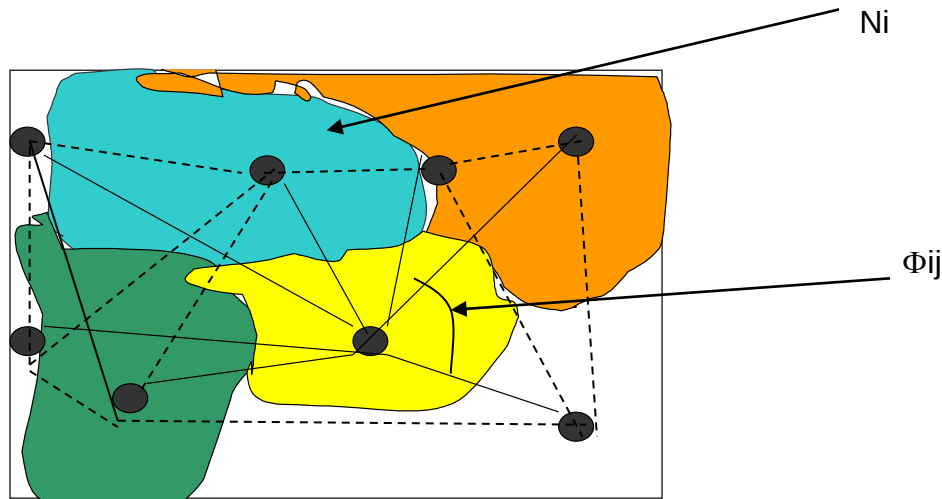
Skin removal

Global Graph

- The Global graph is a structure that carries inter-region relations. Each node of this graph represents a region, i.e. it contains the respective local graph.

$$GG(I_p) = (P_1 R_{12} P_2) \Phi_{23} (P_1 R_{13} P_3) \dots \\ (P_1 R_{1n-1} P_{n-1}) \Phi_{n-1n} (P_1 R_{1n} P_n)$$

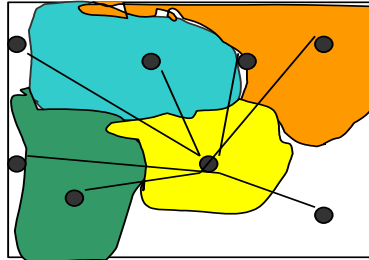
- The links of this graph represent the relations between regions



$G(A(N1)) = (N1R12N2)$
 $\Phi_{23}(N1R13N3)$
 $\Phi_{34}(N1R14N4) \dots$
 $\Phi_{67}(N1R17N7)$
 $\Phi_{78}(N1R18N8)\Phi_{81}$

Image L-G Graph Comparison

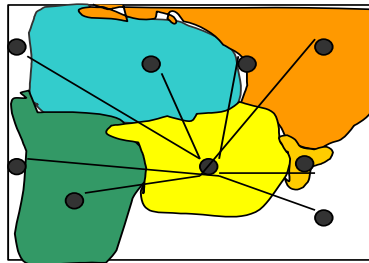
IMAGE -A
Image regions and the graph of gravity



$$G(A_{(N_1)}) = (N_1 R_{12} N_2) \Phi_{23} (N_1 R_{13} N_3) \Phi_{34} (N_1 R_{14} N_4) \dots \\ \Phi_{67} (N_1 R_{17} N_7) \Phi_{78} (N_1 R_{18} N_8) \Phi_{81}$$

IMAGE -B
Image regions and the graph of gravity

$$G(A_{(N_1)}) = (N_1 R_{12} N_2) \Phi_{23} (N_1 R_{13} N_3) \Phi_{34} (N_1 R_{14} N_4) \dots \\ \Phi_{67} (N_1 R_{17} N_7) \Phi_{78} (N_1 R_{18} N_8) \Phi_{89} (N_1 R_{19} N_9) \Phi_{91}$$



Comparison A and B
7/8 region relationships same
5/7 angles same

Local-Global (LG) Graph

■ Image representation with LG Graph (Bourbakis 1987)

- Use Delaunay Triangulation
- Graph edges hold the spatial relationships between facial features
- Graph nodes hold information about key facial features

$node = \{Centroid(x, y), color / texture, Local - graph(L), size, border\}$

$LG = \{NodeSet, EdgeSet\}$



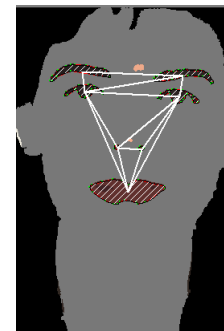
Model face image



Selected facial regions



Local - Global
Graph view

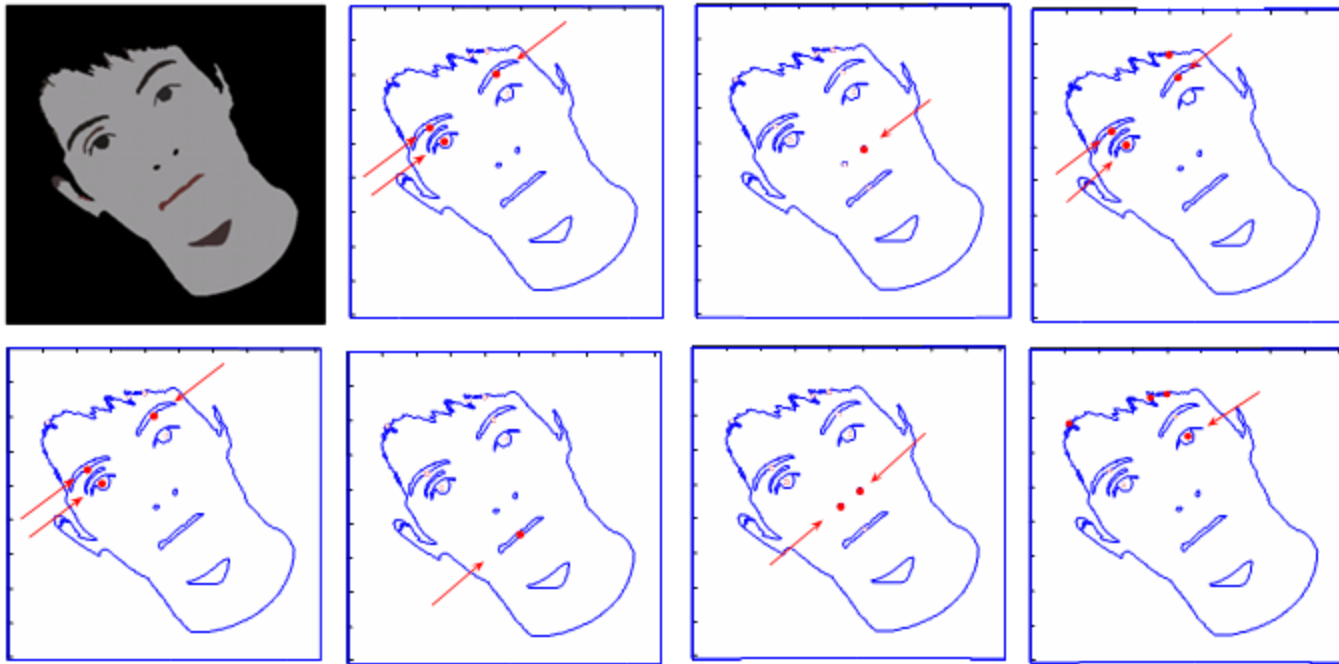


Delaunay graph

LG Graph matching

■ Potential Region Correspondent Pair (PCRP)

- Node correspondence - select regions based on *color similarity*
- Random graph matching is not allowed!



PCRP region selection

LG Graph matching

■ Graph similarity - represented by angle

- If the correspondent angles between arcs are similar, the graphs are similar
- Angular similarity

$$SIM_{LG} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N E(i, j) \cdot S_{ANGSIM}(\theta_{ij} - \theta_{i0})$$

SIM_{LG} - similarity between two graphs

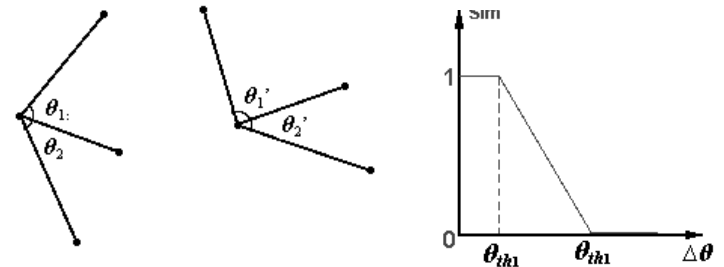
N - total number of nodes

- angle of the edge, $E(i, j)$

θ_{ij} base angle

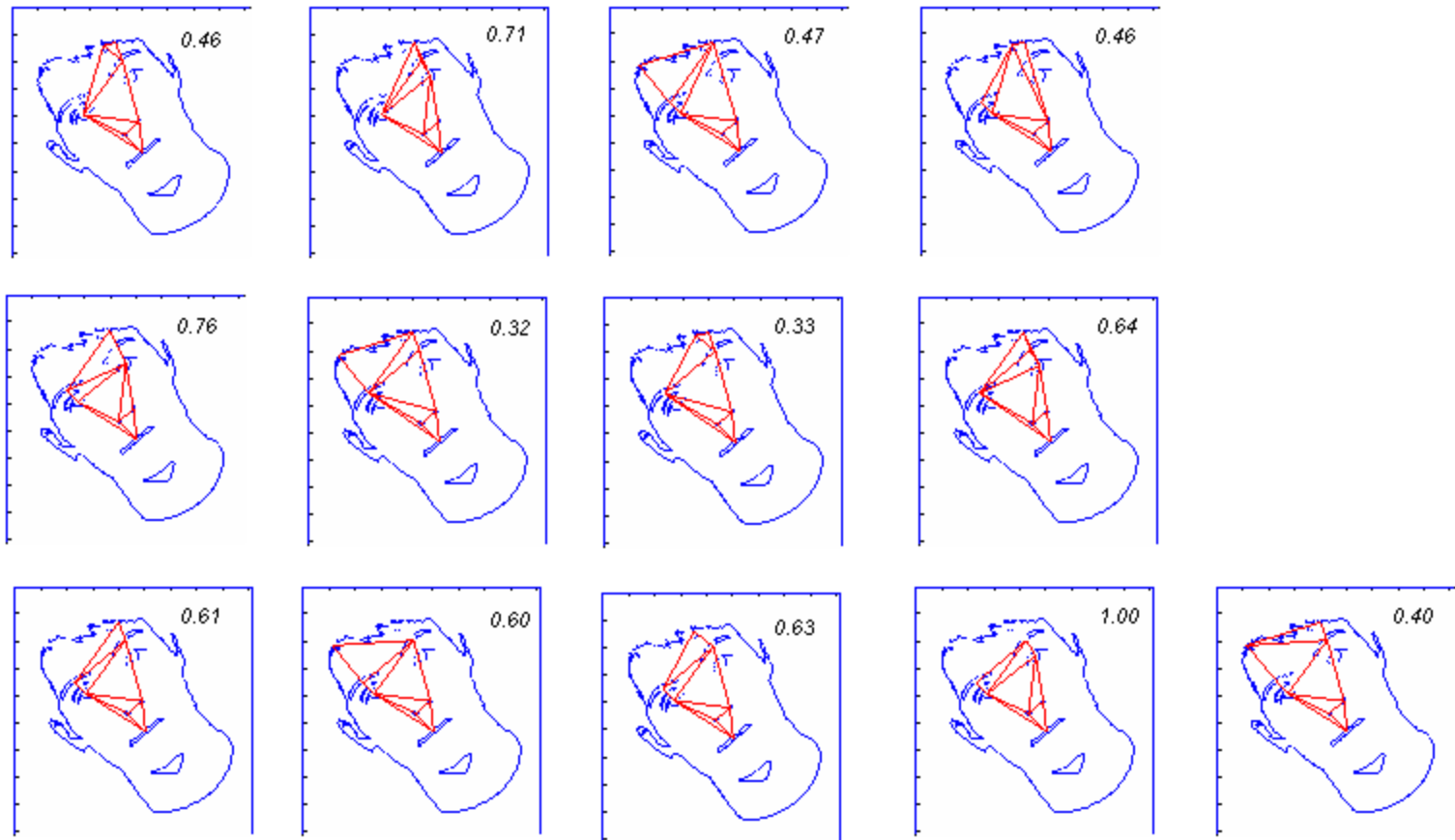
θ_{i0} angle similarity function

$S_{ANGSIM}(\Delta\theta)$



LG Graph matching

■ PCRP graphs and angular similarity



LG Graph matching

■ LG Graph shape constraint

- Nodes are not just fiduciary points!!
- Use shape from local graph as a similarity constraint

$$SIM_{LG} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N E(i, j) \cdot S_{ANGSIM}(\theta_{ij} - \theta_{i0}) \cdot Weight(i, j)$$

■ LG Graph relationship checking

- Relationship similarity (T_{RE}) - Contiguous, Contain, Contained, Separate

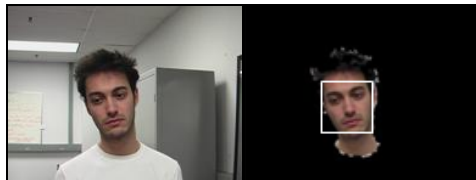
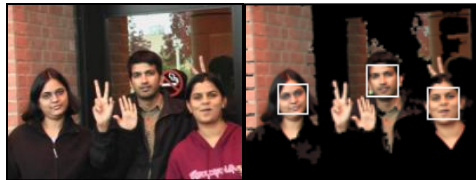
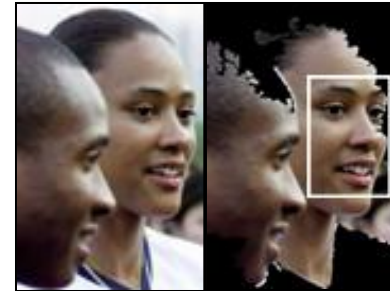
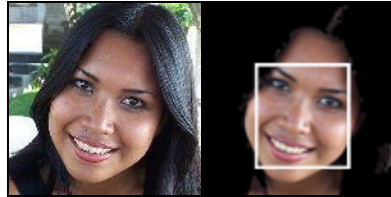
$$SIM_{REL} = \prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^N T_{RE}(r_{i,j}, r'_{i,j})$$

* LG Graph error

$$ERR_{LG} = (1 - ERR_{rel}) \times (ERR_{graph} + ERR_{shape})$$

Experimental results

■ LGG matching



Experimental results

■ Performance on AR face database [Martinez & Benavante, 1998]

	<i>Proposed method</i>	<i>Chiang & Huang, 2005</i>	
		AR	AR'
Number of faces	<i>240 (30 people *8 images / person)</i>	<i>945</i>	<i>540</i>
Number of correct detections	<i>231</i>	<i>874</i>	<i>511</i>
Number of misses/errors	<i>9</i>	<i>14/66</i>	<i>4/26</i>
Recall rate	<i>96.25</i>	<i>92.48</i>	<i>94.68</i>

■ Limitations

- Low-image size
- Poor-image qualities
- Profile-views ($>45^{\circ}$)
- Dependence on Skin detection method

L-G Graph Expression Recognition

- **LG Expression models**
- **Expression recognition**
- **Results**

Basic facial expressions

- **Basic six facial expressions [Ekman, 1993, Kanade et al., 2000]**
 - Happy, Surprise, Sad, Anger, Disgust and Fear



Happy



Surprise



Angry



Disgust

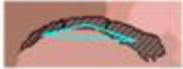
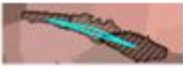
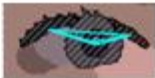
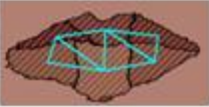
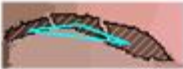
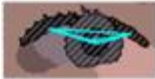
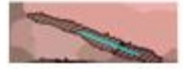
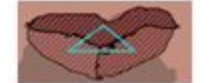
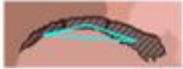


Sad



Fear

LG Expression models

Features Considered Expressions	EyeBrowL (LGEXPR_EBL)	EyeBrowR (LGEXPR_EBR)	EyeL (LGEXPR_EL)	EyeR (LGEXPR_ER)	Mouth (LGEXPR_M)
 Happy					
 Surprised					
 Angry					
 Sad					
 Disgust					
 Fear					

Expression recognition

■ Steps in expression recognition [Faisel & Luttin, 2003]

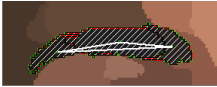
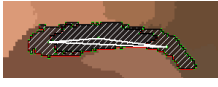
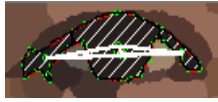
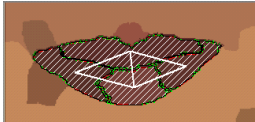
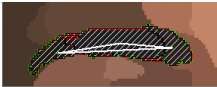
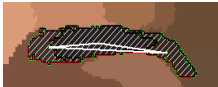
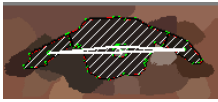
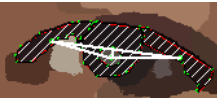
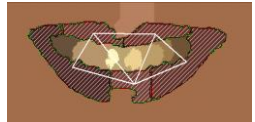
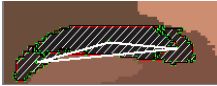
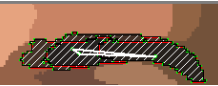
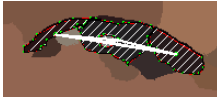
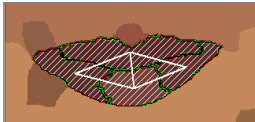
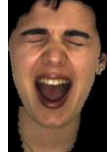
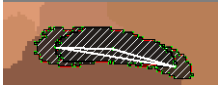
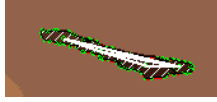
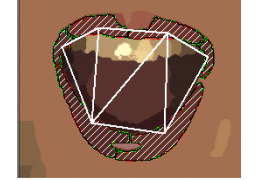
- Face detection
- Feature recognition
 - Nodes in LG graph
- Expression recognition
 - Construct LG expression graphs

$$node = \{Centroid(x, y), color / texture, L, size, border, LG_{EXPR1}, .. LG_{EXPRi}\}$$

■ Features used

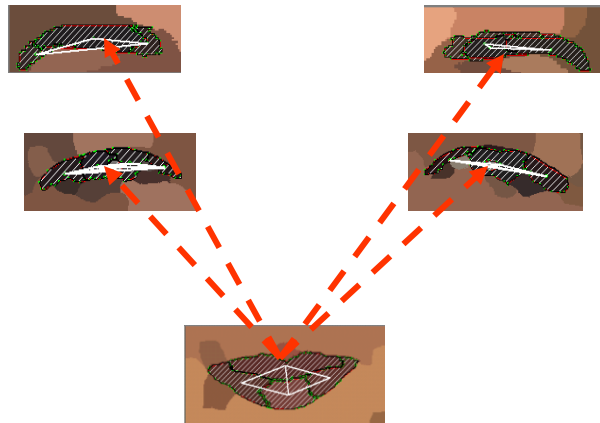
- Five facial features - eyes, eye-brows, mouth

LG Expression models [Kakumanu-Bourbakis, in press]

Features Considered Expressions	<i>EyeBrowL</i> (LG_{EXPR_EBL})	<i>EyeBrowR</i> (LG_{EXPR_EBR})	<i>EyeL</i> (LG_{EXPR_EL})	<i>EyeR</i> (LG_{EXPR_ER})	<i>Mouth</i> (LG_{EXPR_M})
 <i>Neutral</i>					
 <i>Happy</i>					
 <i>Angry</i>					
 <i>Scream</i>					

Facial Expression LG graph

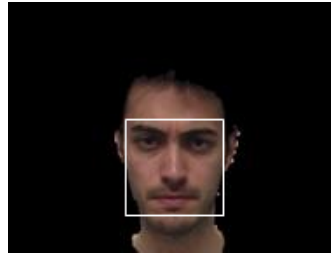
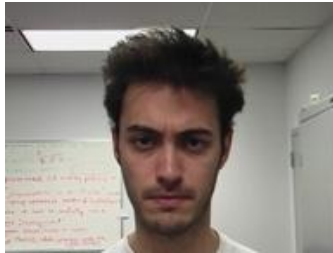
■ Example



Model in GDB

Facial Expressions

■ Results



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Sadness = 0.44

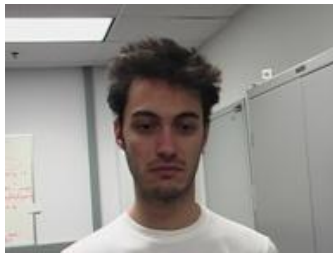
Surprise = 0.77

Disgust = 0.54

Fear = 0.52

Anger = 0.29

Expression = Angry



Happy = 0.82

Sadness = 0.34

Surprise = 0.78

Disgust = 0.51

Fear = 0.53

Anger = 0.59

Expression = Sad

Experimental results

■ Performance on AR database [Martinez & Benavante, 1998]

	Neutral	Happy	Angry	Scream
Neutral	<i>0.875</i>	<i>0.000</i>	<i>0.125</i>	<i>0.000</i>
Happy	<i>0.025</i>	<i>0.900</i>	<i>0.025</i>	<i>0.050</i>
Angry	<i>0.200</i>	<i>0.025</i>	<i>0.775</i>	<i>0.000</i>
Scream	<i>0.000</i>	<i>0.050</i>	<i>0.000</i>	<i>0.950</i>

Expression LG Graph Errors		Neutral	Happy	Angry	Scream
					
	EyeL	0.72	0.53	0.22	0.26
	EyeR	0.78	0.52	0.27	0.28
	EyeBrowL	0.33	0.34	0.40	0.42
	EyeBrowR	0.37	0.37	0.39	0.42
	Mouth	0.85	0.67	0.82	0.08
	Avg. Error	0.61	0.49	0.42	0.29

Ekfrasis

- . Definition: The Ekfrasis language is defined (or generated) by a grammar $G \{V_N, V_T, PR, S\}$,
- where V_N , is the set of non-terminal symbols and is defined as $V_N = \{S, T, k, L, X\}$; V_T is the set of terminal symbols and is defined as $V_T = \Sigma \cup \{i/i \in \mathbb{Z}, \}$ $\cup \{\#\}$
- S is the starting symbol of a sentence; T is the symbol for a terminal letter; L is the symbol for the alphabet letters; Σ is the alphabet; $\#$ is the synthesis symbol between letters of the alphabet; and PR is the set of production rules and is defined as
- $PR = \{ S \rightarrow T; S \rightarrow S \# T; T \rightarrow L_k; L \rightarrow L_1/L_2/L_3/L_4/L_5/L_6; k \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq k \leq 6\}$; and $L_i \in \Sigma$,
- where $\Sigma = \{EBL_i, EBR_i, EL_i, ER_i, N_i, M_i (UL_i, LL_i)\}$

Language

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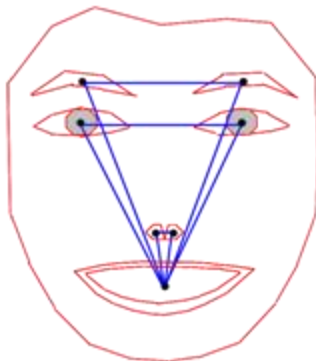
- **Definition:** The Ekfrasis language (L_{EF}) is defined over the G grammar as follows:

$$L_{EF}(G) = \{ Le_i / Le_i, V_T : S_G \rightarrow Le_i \}$$

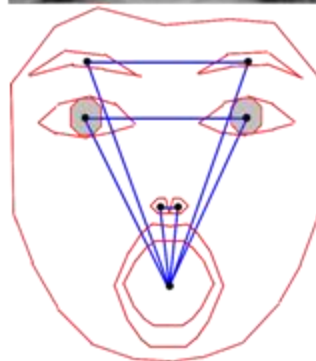
Expression recognition (II)

■ LG Expression graphs

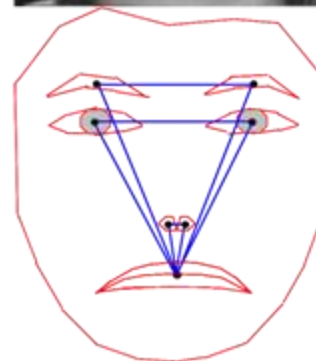
- LG expression graphs for each expression to be recognized
- Expression graph matching



(a) Happy Face Model

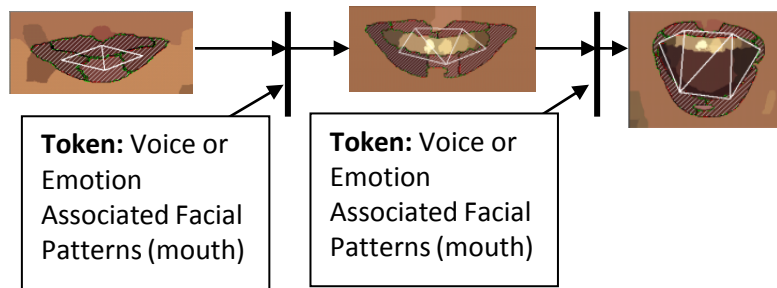


(b) Surprise Face Model

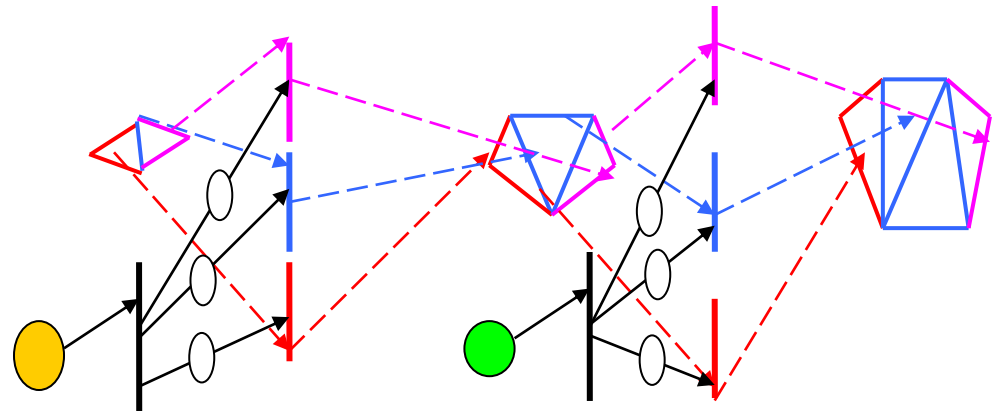


(c) Sad Face Model

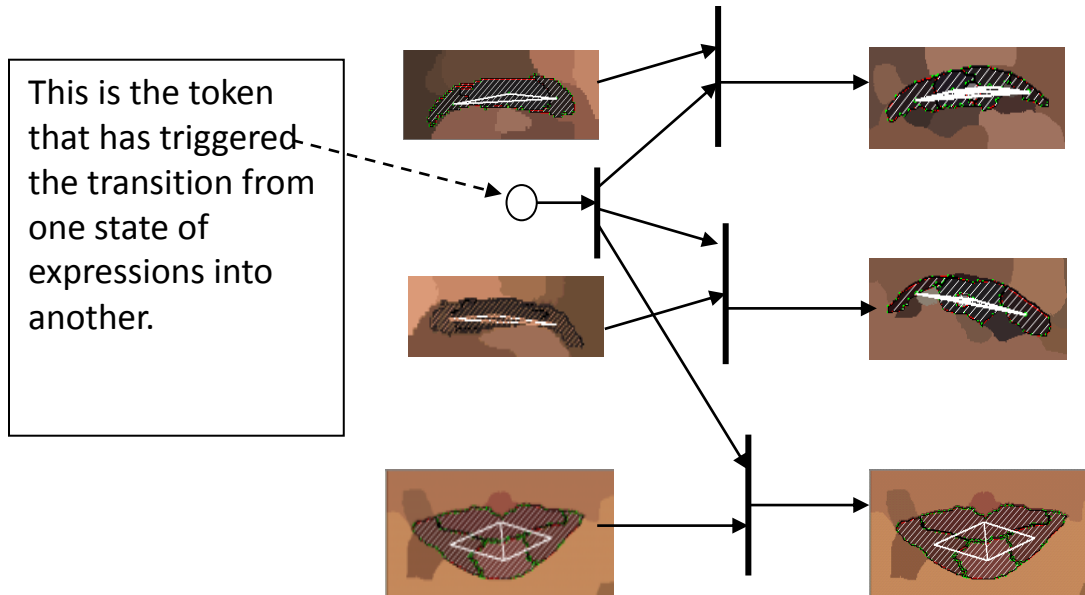
SPN



It shows a sequence of facial features (mouth) L-G graphs represent letters from the Ekfrasis language. In this case, individual letters of the alphabet can be used to associate emotional patterns

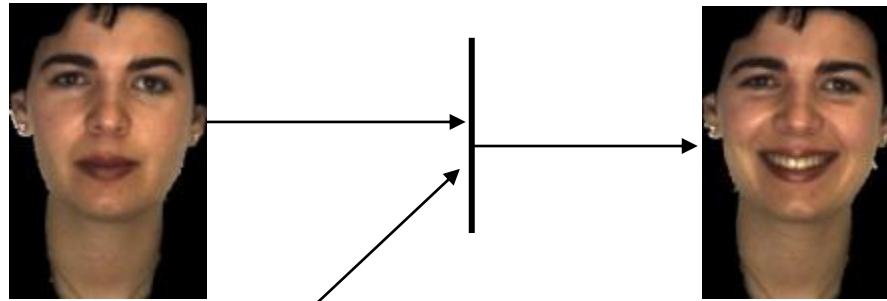


It shows the SPN association of the L-G graph of the facial features (mouth) extracted and represented from different image frames, and their activation via token (orange, green color. This case is a sequence of facial expressions related with happiness and laughter). Thus, the color token could be a joke or a happy thought or else.



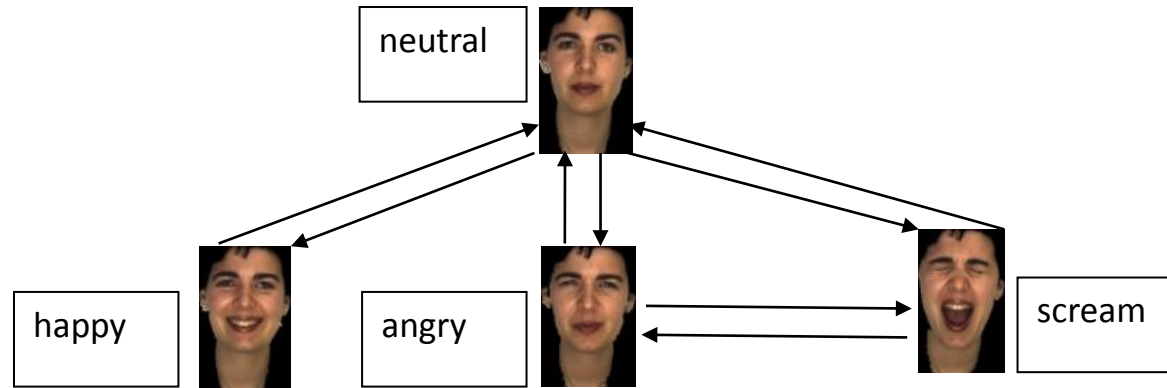
It shows the transition from the neutral into angry

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Token: Voice or Emotion Associated Facial Patterns (mouth). This token triggers the transition from one facial expression into the next.

SPN transitions



It graphically shows :a) The transition from a facial expression (neutral state) into the next facial one (happy state);

b) The order of transitions of facial expressions (from a “state” into another “state”) that take place for the most frequently used facial expressions (neutral, happy, angry, scream);

c) Frames of expressions showing the sequence of transitions in facial expressions.

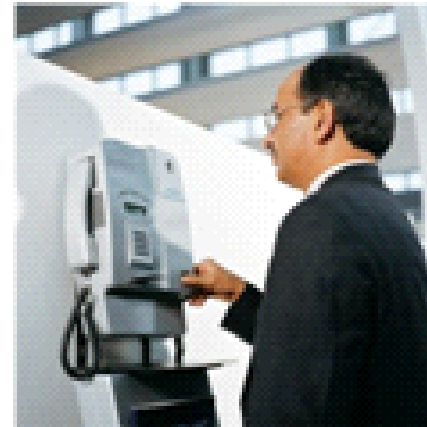
Applications (II)

■ Biometrics

- Identification & Authentication



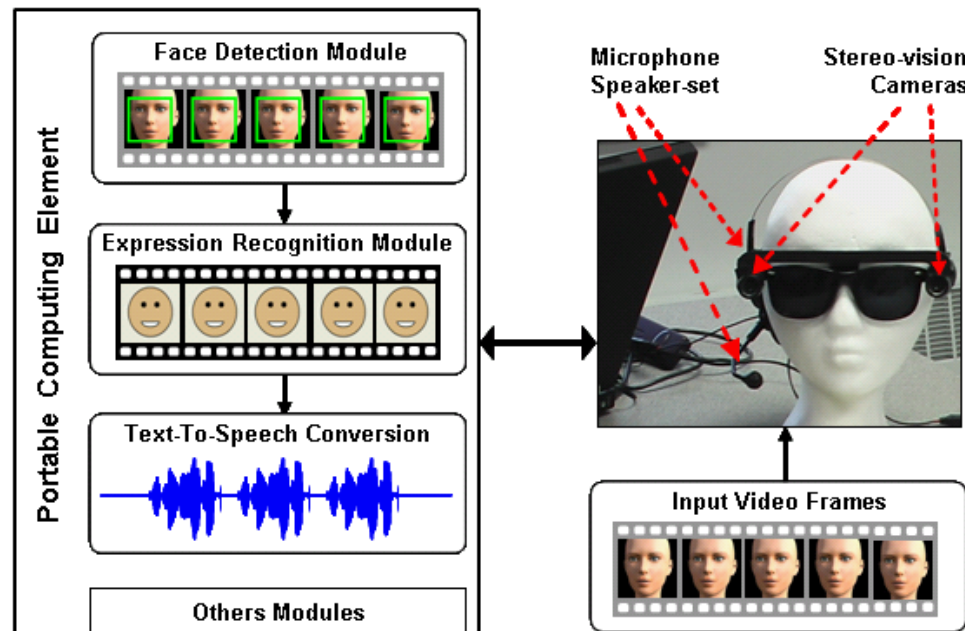
**ATM Kiosk –
Face Verification**



**Multibiometrics - voice, face, and
fingerprint recognition**

Applications to People with Disabilities

- Emotional Behavior of People with Disabilities
(collaboration with Dr. Esposito, 2003)
- Hearing Impaired Individuals (*Koufos project*)
- Mentally Retarded Individuals (*Anapiros project*)
- Visually impaired individuals (*Tyflos project*)



Summary

Face Detection LG graph Method

LG graph matching

- spatial (graph), shape and relation constraints
- Synthesis of regions
- Compact representation - local (facial features) and global (topology) info
- Invariant to translation, rotation and scale (to an extent)

Facial Expression Detection LG graph Method

Applications

Thank you for your patience
QUESTIONS?