Face recognition: The problems, the challenges and the proposals

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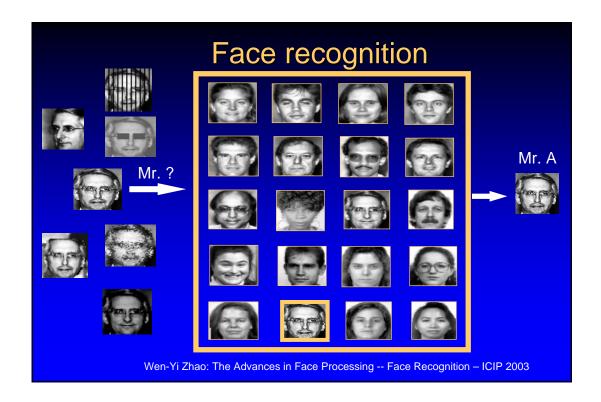
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- The problems
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- Conclusions

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Typical applications

Areas	Specific Applications
Entertainment	Video Game/Virtual Reality/Training Programs Human-Computer-Interaction/Human- Robotics
Smart Cards	Drivers' Licenses/Passports/Voter Registrations/Entitlement Programs Welfare Fraud/Passports/Voter Registration
Information Security	TV Parental control/Desktop Logon/Personal Device (Cell phone etc) Logon/Database Security/ Medical Records/Internet Access
Law Enforcement & Surveillance	Advanced Video Surveillance/CCTV Control Shoplifting/Drug Trafficking/Portal Control

Wen-Yi Zhao: The Advances in Face Processing -- Face Recognition - ICIP 2003



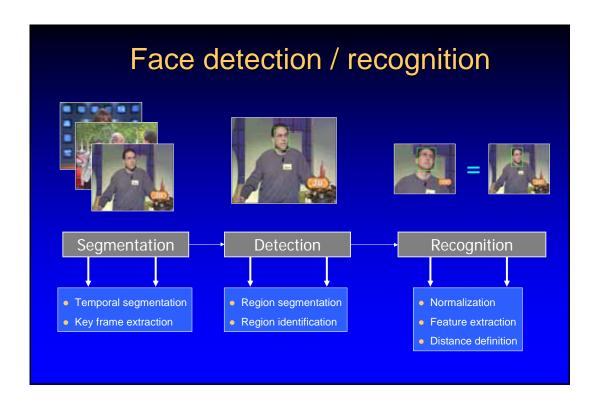
Face recognition scenarios The problems

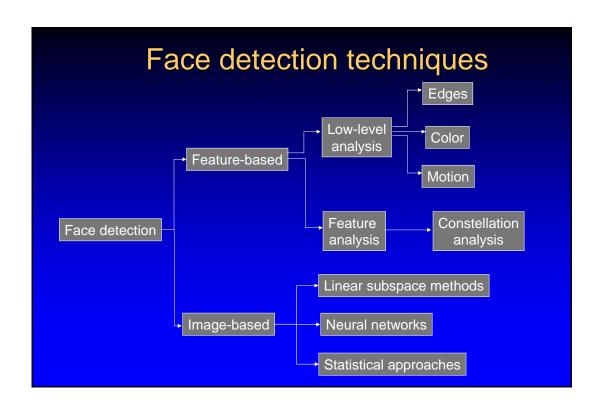
Face detection





Face detection goes first!!!

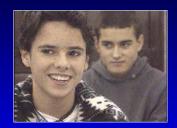


















Linear subspace methods (as an example)

Face detection results (2)

























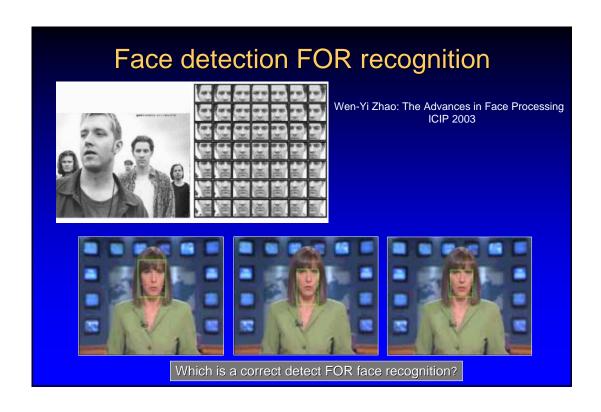


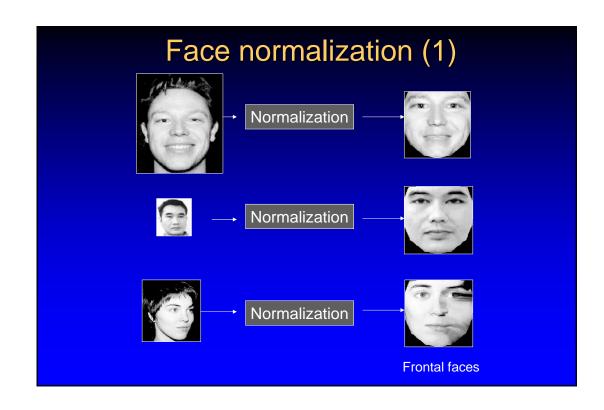


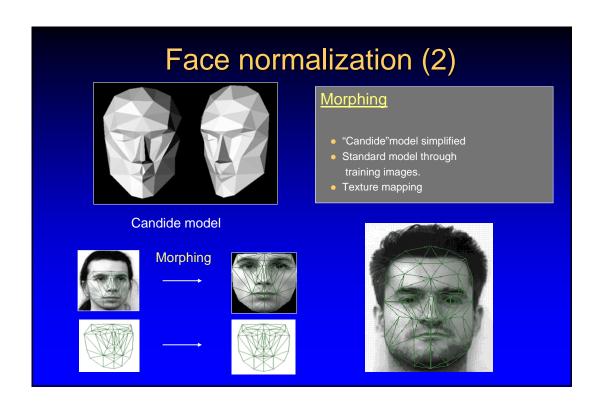




Skin detection + segmentation + region merging (as an example)

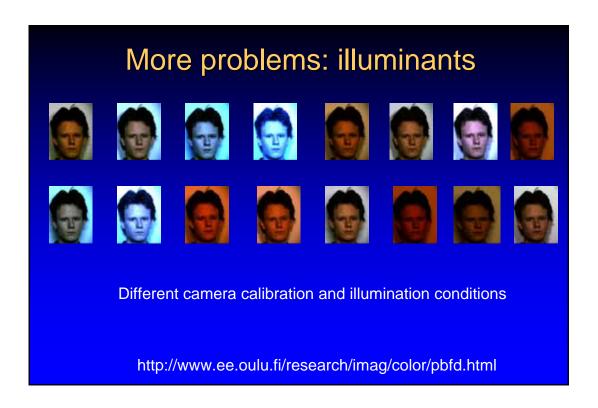












More problems: the data base

(to compare results among different techniques)

- FERET
- XM2VTS
- CMU PIE Database
- AT&T
- Oulu Physics Database
- Yale Face Database
- Yale B Database
- MIT Database
- UPC data base
- Others

Face recognition scenarios

The challenges

Face recognition – *easy* scenarios













Problem *almost* solved

Face recognition – *solvable* scenarios













Work is needed!!!

Face recognition – difficult scenarios



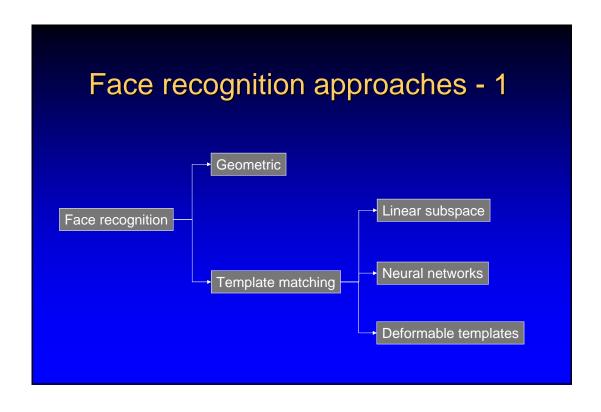


A LOT of work is needed!!!

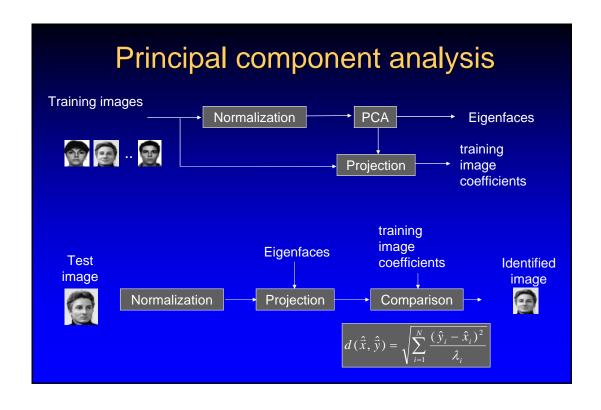
Face recognition – very difficult scenarios

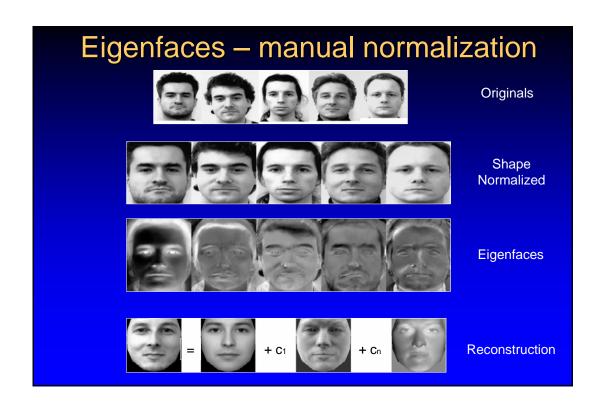


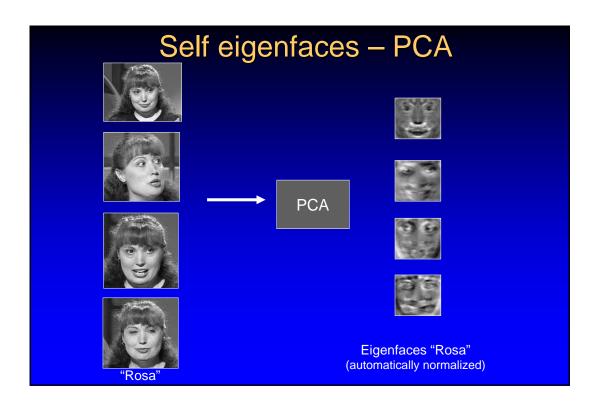
A LOT of work is needed during MANY years !!!

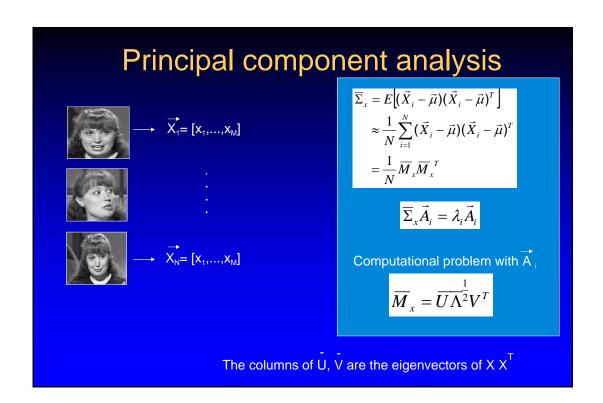


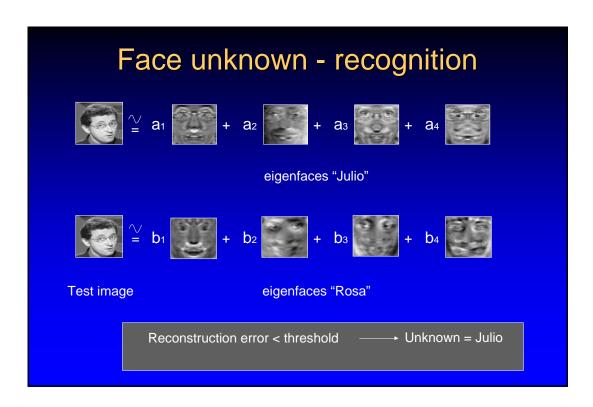
Approach Commonweal Commonweal	Representative Works
Holistic methods	
Principal Component Analysis	
Eigenface	Direct application of PCA
Fisherface/Subspace LDA	FLD on eigenspace
SVM	Two-class problem based on SVM
ICA	ICA-based feature analysis
Other Representations	
LDA/FLA	FLD/LDA on raw images
PDBNN	Probabilistic decision based NN
Feature based methods	
Pure geometry methods	Earlier methods, recent methods
Dynamic Link Architecture	Graph matching methods
Convolution Neural Network	SOM learning based CNN methods
Hybrid methods	
Modular eigenface	Eigenface & eigenmodules
Hybrid LFA	Local & global feature method
Component-based	Face region and components





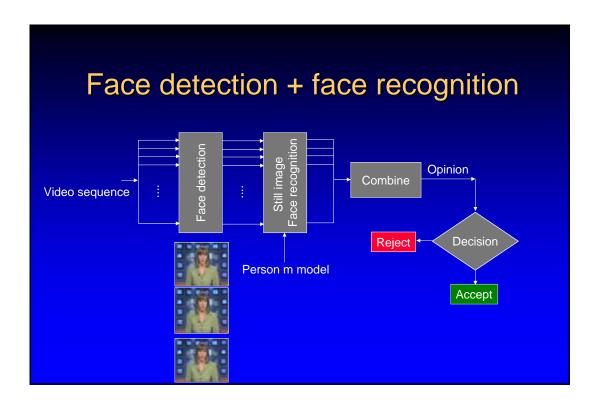






Can face recognition be helped?

- Face detection + face recognition
- Video-based FR
- Multimodal-based FR
- Use of color information





Face detection + recognition results (2)













Faces detected and recognized automatically

92% success in a news sequence

Video based face recognition



- Good frames can be selected
- Video provides temporal continuity
 - reuse of recognition information
- Video allows tracking of images
 - facial expressions
 - and pose variations can be compensated for
- Motion, gait and other features can help
- Depth information is also useful

Video based face recognition (compressed sequences)







B - frame

I - frame

P - frame

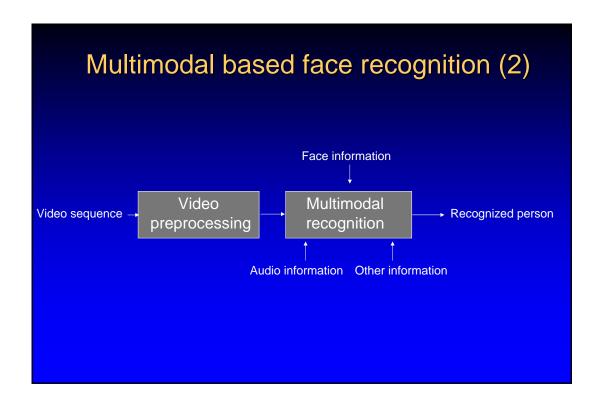
In case of compressed sequences, adequate frame must be used

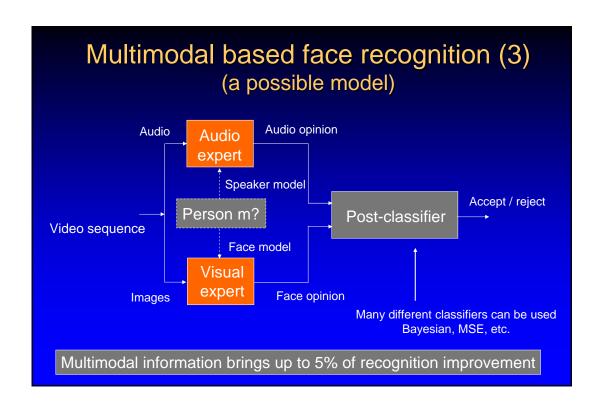
Multimodal based face recognition (1)



Fusion of different informationaudio, text, close-captions, color, etc.

If there is information, USE IT





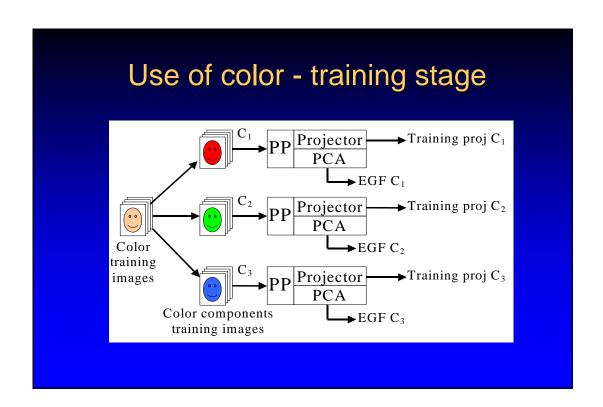
Use of color

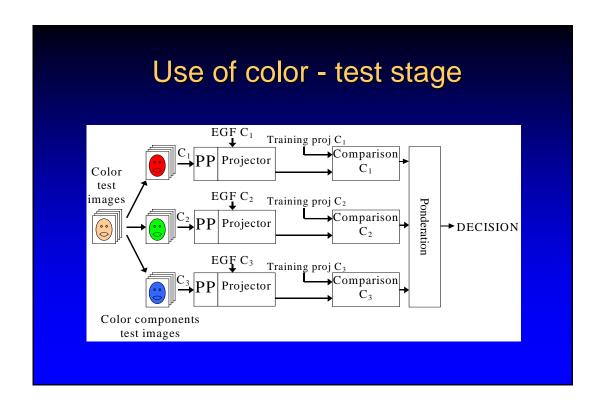
- Practically all works on face recognition have been done only with the luminance information
 - → Why not to use the color for face recognition?













Any other help for face recognition?

YES!

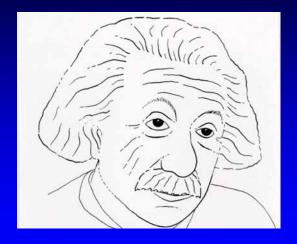
The human visual system

The human visual system - 1



If the HVS can do it, a computer can do it

The human visual system - 2



If the HVS can do it, a computer can do it























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The human visual system - 4









Is there any hope for face recognition?

Strong need of cooperative research between

- Computer vision
- Signal Processing
- Psychophysics
- Neurosciences

Conclusions

- Yes there is hope for face recognition
 - Human Visual System
 - Need cooperative work

Computer vision, signal processing

Psychophysics, Neurosciences

- Multimodal information
- Face detection + face recognition
- Video-based FR
- Use of color information

Many thanks for your attention !!!

Hvala na pažnji!!!