BIOMETRICS FOR SECURE AUTHENTICATION

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Open Source Reference Systems for

Biometric Verification of Identity

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Foreword

experiments for biometric systems

- A new methodology for:
 - conducting
 - reporting
 - comparing
- Based on:
 - open-source systems

Objectives:

- link between published works in biometrics
- measure real progress achieved with new research algorithms
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Summary

Overview of biometrics + terminology

Problem:

 How can we fairly compare the performance of two different biometric systems?

Solution:

 Use of an universal open-source evaluation framework

Conclusion

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Overview (1)

def: *Biometrics refers to technologies that measure and analyze human body characteristics for identification purposes*

2 types of biometric characteristics:

Biological (physiological) characteristics:



Behavioral characteristics:









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People are identified by three basic means:

- Something they have (identity document or token)

Overview (3)

- Something they know (password, PIN, name)
- Something they are (human body)

Biometrics is used to create a more reliable link between a physical person and corresponding digital identity

Main Advantage of biometrics:

Biometrics can replace the ID cards or passwords which are often forgotten, lost or misappropriated

Terminology (1)

Verification System: Is this person who he claimed to be?

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Evaluation:



Flow diagram of a generic biometric experiment

Terminology (2)

- Database (DB):
 - Contains the biometric data

- Evaluation protocol:
 - How you test the system
 - Client and impostor tests

Result:

- FAR: False Accept Rate
- FRR: False Rejection Rate



Problem

Suppose 3 universities have developed their own biometric verification system:



The reported results of the 3 biometric results are not comparable



Solution (1)

A universal evaluation framework:



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1st Use: If someone publishes results using the benchmarking database and protocol, the benchmarking results can be used as a way of calibrating the performance



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2nd Use: If someone publishes results on a specific database according to a specific protocol, experiments using the reference system have to be added as a way of calibrating the difficulty of this particular task





Solution (4)

Open-source reference systems

Benchmarking software modules

Pre-processing
+
Feature extraction
+
Score calculation

Assess the contribution of each module

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Repository

- 8 biometric modalities:
 - 2D face
 - 3D face
 - fingerprint
 - hand

- iris
- signature
- speech
- talking-face

download:

http://share.int-evry.fr/svnview-eph/

repository:

- Open-source systems
- Documentation which
 - describes database
 - describes protocol
 - reports benchmarking results

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Conclusion

- New evaluation framework:
 - Fair comparison of biometric systems

Open-source systems:

- Comparison point for performance calibration
- Assess the contribution of each module
- Time saving
- ► Use for the BMEC 2007:
 - http://biometrics.it-sudparis.eu/BMEC2007