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Human Ear Biometric Authentication System

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Abstract

The ear, as a biometric, has been given less attention, while comparing with other biometrics such as fingerprint, face, Iris. Since it is a relatively new biometric, no commercial applications involving ear recognition are available. Intensive research in this field is thus required to determine the feasibility of this biometric. In medical field, especially in case of accidents and death, where face of patients cannot be recognized, the use of ear can be helpful. In this work, yet another method of recognizing people through their ears is presented.

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Introduction

General

Identification is the basis of every access control system. A lot of people bear in mind the following things and think they are highly secure

- Possessions like ATM cards, Debit cards, badges, keys
- Knowledge like password, user id, Personal Identification Number (PIN)
- Biometrics like face, finger print, ear etc.

Objective

Biometrics is actually described by analyzing a certain motion of any man or woman. Finger prints hand geometry, hands styles, Eye as well as retina deciphering, facial geometry are all instances of physical biometrics. The person's identity of the authentication is very old but it is a challenging one to get the authentication. There are three ways to use authentication. Way one is Possession that deals with what a person has such as keys, identity cards, license etc. Then second way is knowledge and is regarding what a person remembers or knows such as password, date of birth, PIN, etc. the third mode is biometric that means person's body parts such as the human physiological characteristics such as face, ear, and finger print. Biometric systems are proving to be an efficient solution for security enhancement. In biometric systems the human traits are based on conventional methods. The idea behind biometrics based recognition is to use special and unique

characteristics of a person available in the face, ear, iris, fingerprint, signature etc. It is evident that use of biometrics adds a complexity to the authentication system that would be hard to reach with a standard password-based technique. Common reasons for which method of authentication using biometrics is preferred over traditional passwords and PIN based methods are discussed below.

Biometric

The method regarding recognition based on biometric characteristics can be desired above conventional accounts and GREEN primarily based strategies to different good reasons like: The person being determined must literally provide it during the time-of-identification.

Existing System

Irrespective of as being a newbie inside biometrics subject, ear is definitely thought to be the prospective application intended for personalized identification. Both manual and automated approaches have been used in the past for ear biometrics.

They showed that the force field transform can be applied in two dimensions to assist with the ear recognition problem and went on to state that "since the formulation is couched in terms of vectors, the concept also makes sense in the context of higher dimensional pattern recognition problems. However, whilst the two dimensional case is easily depicted with

visually pleasing field lines, the N-dimensional case can only be interpreted numerically”.

The method had two main limitations: the computational load was high and the technique needs to be extended to address higher dimensional pattern recognition.

Proposed system

This project primarily aims at developing an ear based biometric system which can be used for passive authentication of people. A basic three step procedure will be used in accomplishing this aim. The steps are:

- Enrollment
- Pattern Matching
- Identification.

For every individual, there are some distinct features that can be used for identification. The portion or segment that contains these unique features is known as the Region of Interest. After the raw data is obtained, the Region of Interest (ROI) which is the area containing the ear image is chosen. Feature extraction filters the uniqueness data out of the raw data and combines them into the biometric feature

The method applied for this is Edge detection. Borders detection is usually a terms with photograph running in addition to pc eye-sight, specially from the aspects of element detection and have removal, to be able to refer to algorithms which in turn intention in figuring out items in a digital photograph when this photograph purity improvements sharply and up officially has discontinuities.

and also retrieval associated with this sort of programs themselves possibly be safe if your biometric process is usually to be robust. Your sensor may be the software in between actuality as well as the process; it's got to get every one of the required files. Most of the situations it really is an image acquisition process, however it can adjust good traits preferred. The other stop works every one of the required pre-processing: it's got to take out artifacts through the sensor, to further improve your input (e. g. taking away qualifications noise), make use of some type of normalization, etc. Functions necessary are next taken out. This can be a crucial stage for the reason that correct functions must be taken out within the optimum means. Some sort of vector associated with volumes or perhaps an image using distinct attributes is utilized to create a theme. Some sort of theme is really a activity epidermis traits taken out through the origin, from the optimum size permitting for sufficient identifiably.

In the event that registration is being performed this theme is simply located someplace (on a new greeting card or inside a databases or both). If your matching cycle is being performed, this received theme is actually transferred to a matcher of which analyzes that along with some other recent web themes, price the gap among these individuals using any kind of formula (e. gray the gadget guy. Hamming distance). The particular matching program will assess this theme with the entire. It will after that possibly be productivity for virtually any chosen work with or objective.

This project primarily aims at developing an ear based biometric authentication system which can be used for passive authentication of people. A basic three step procedure will be used in accomplishing this aim. An enrolment effort is successful if the GUI in the request offers a “successful” or even “finished” meaning. In situations where not any explained achievement can be obtained, a set enrolment period time period should be provided to guarantee comparability. If your period time period possesses terminated this enrolment effort will be measured unsuccessful.

The process to be used in this project involves three basic steps:

- Image Acquisition and preprocessing
- Feature Extraction
- Template

Architecture

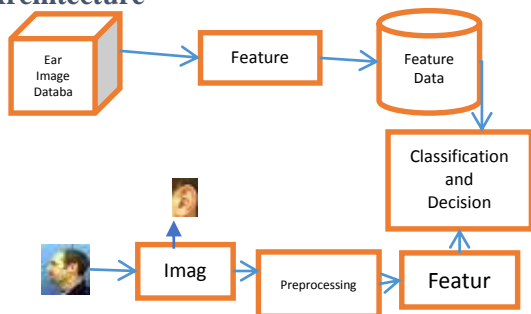


Fig 2.Framework

The primary procedures a system can perform are files series, digesting and also selection doing. During the files series, biometric data through somebody can be stored. During the selection, biometric data can be found and also in comparison with your stored data. It is crucial that storage space

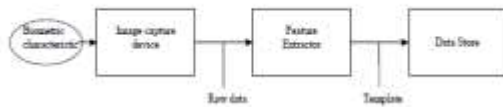


Fig 2.1 Enrollment process

Pattern matching

A biometric match consists of a ranking deciding their education of similarity involving the match web template plus the reference web template. Commonly, matches should never be become similar as a consequence of delicate alterations after a while and also inherent malfunction tolerances. Typically, the actual ranking resulting from the actual match is as opposed versus some sort of predefined quantity often known as the actual patience. The patience is utilized to establish a sufficient amount of guarantee which a successful match may be accomplished.

The reference web template will probably be for good kept within a repository and turn into the common versus which in turn potential match web templates will probably be authenticated. Fit web templates will probably be compiled whenever an individual requests id. They will be put through identical algorithmic feature extraction procedure because the archived reference web template and also, following render, are generally compared against the actual archived reference web template.

Authentication

The third and final step is Authentication. It is the verification a person's identity by comparing a newly acquired template to a specific one already stored.

The following the particular live format is usually in comparison in opposition to at least one with the get good at themes saved inside the biometric format retailer. Corresponding seeks to identify a similarity determine between two themes. When the similarity determine is usually above a new predefined confidence as well as tolerance, the actual result is surely an "accept". When the similarities determine is usually way too lower, and then your result earned can be a "reject". This result is usually passed to both the application form operating the machine, as well as to the product the particular biometric system is usually controlling (e. h. door lock). A new tolerance price regarding 85% ended up being found in the particular experiment.

Identification can result in many potential suits between get good at themes as well as the latest live format. It will come about any time numerous get good at themes possess a go with rating (from the actual result generator) which is more than the required tolerance. This can come about as a result of (usually) three significant reasons. To start with, in the event the required tolerance for a go with is placed way too lower in other words to realize numerous suits. Second of all, in the event the live format and/or quite a few get good at themes tend to be excessively boisterous, you'll be able for the suits to get earned regardless of the first biometric qualities currently being considerably diverse. Payday cash scenarios are usually dealt with by having a larger tolerance as well as greater good quality themes respectively. A third ground for numerous suits is caused by getting several get good at themes made with equivalent biometric qualities. This can come up by natural means, as a result of ancestral resemblances as well as coincidence, as well as through the use of a new biometric that is not well discriminatory.

In situations where the result generator must potentially deal with numerous positive matches, the system should simply return the identity that achieved the highest match.

Experimental results

Practical ear images are collected form database. The images are divided into several sets that are stored in the database concerning their quality and degree of complexity. The process will be carried out only when images are in Very high quality and with ideal condition are processed.

Examples of "simple images" are shown below:

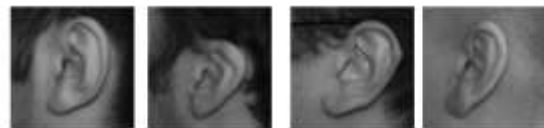


Fig 3: "Simple" images

For such error-free recognition "Simple" images from the database was obtained. When all the external conditions such as lighting are effectively controlled and remain constant, all the system produces a perfect performance with accurate results all the time

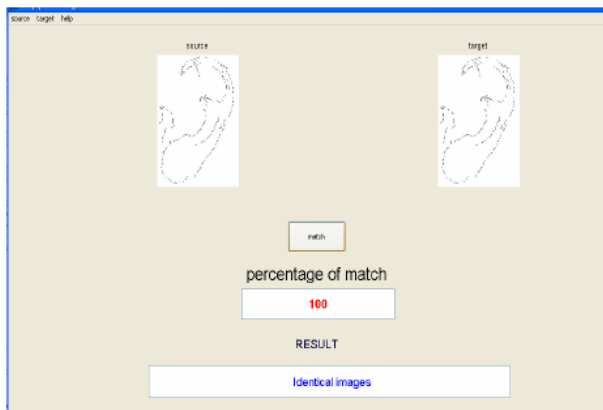


Fig 3.1 Perfect match



Fig 3.2 False rejection due to illumination changes

Conclusions

This project was aimed to develop a human ear biometric authentication system based on images. An invariable geometrical method was used necessary features in order to extract classification. After the feature extraction, authentication is performed based on comparison between a new input image and an already existing one.

Then your effective attribute extraction approach may be used to find out personality associated with some people, as illustration terrorists in the air-ports in addition to stations, gain access to management to help several properties in addition to herd monitoring is between some other feasible purposes. Ear canal biometrics can be furthermore employed to improve usefulness associated with some other well-known biometrics, simply by its rendering with multimodal programs. As we know that most of the techniques possess some drawbacks or the other recently, the thought of building hybrid biometrics programs can be getting great deal of interest. Because of its benefits, head biometrics is apparently a good choice to support recognized techniques including style, give or confront recognition. Identification may

outcome in numerous likely complements in between master web themes as well as the existing dwell theme. This will happen when numerous master web themes have a match report (from the end result generator) that may be more than the required limit. This can happen because of (usually) about three major causes. To start with, should the needed limit to get a match is scheduled too low it will be easier to find numerous complements. Next, should the dwell theme and/or quite a few master web themes are extremely boisterous, it is also possible for the complements to be produced rapidly initial biometric traits becoming drastically different. Payday cash situations can be resolved via a better limit in addition to far better good quality web themes respectively. A third basis for numerous complements is due to having quite a few master web themes made from comparable biometric traits. This can happen effortlessly, because of hereditary similarities or coincidence, or by making use of the biometric that's not suitably discriminatory.

For "Simple" images from the database, error-free recognition was obtained. When all the external conditions such as lighting are effectively controlled and remain constant, the system produces a perfect performance with accurate results all the time.

In spite of the excellent results produced when all the conditions remain constant, the system does not produce accurate results when the conditions are varied. For example, when there are illumination variations, the features extracted from the different raw data taken tend to be different and hence do not produce an accurate match even though the all belong to the same person. When the conditions vary, the percentage matches reduce thus leading to some false rejections.

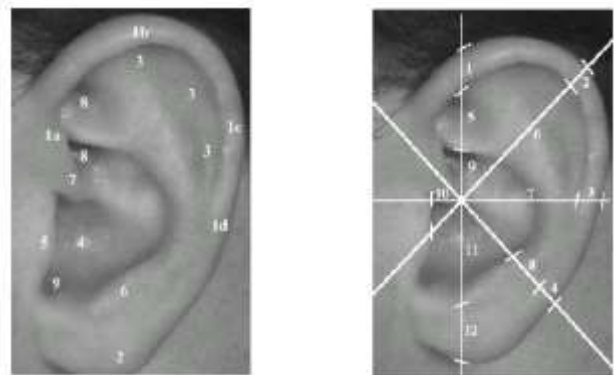


Fig 4. Measurements used

The algorithm developed is heavily dependent on contour detection of the ear. There are two major unsolved problems. These are:

- Compensation of illumination changes (lightning condition variation)
- Pose invariance (variation)

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