# Facial Identification for Criminal Detection

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**Abstract:** Facial identification technology has garnered substantial interest recently, particularly for its applications in criminal detection. This paper provides an in-depth review of the current state of this technology, focusing on its techniques, challenges, and future prospects. It begins by explaining the foundational principles of Facial identification and how it is applied in criminal detection, offering a clear context for its relevance and utility. The review then explores the various techniques employed in Facial identification systems. These include face detection, which identifies the presence of a face in an image; feature extraction, which involves identifying key facial characteristics; and matching, which compares these features against a database to find potential matches. The paper also addresses significant challenges faced by Facial identification technology, such as privacy issues, inherent biases in algorithms, and the potential for inaccuracies, which can undermine its effectiveness and fairness. In conclusion, the paper underscores the promising role of Facial identification technology in improving criminal detection and prevention, while also emphasizing the need for advancements to address existing challenges and ensure ethical and accurate application in law enforcement.

## 1. Introduction:

Facial identification technology has emerged as a pivotal tool in the security sector, offering transformative potential for criminal detection and prevention. As advancements in artificial intelligence and machine learning continue to evolve, Facial identification systems have become more sophisticated, enabling more accurate and efficient identification of individuals. This paper provides a comprehensive review of the current state of Facial identification technology specifically for criminal detection, detailing its underlying principles, various techniques, and the challenges it faces.

At the heart of Facial identification systems are algorithms designed to detect, extract, and match facial features. One notable approach utilizes the Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) algorithm from the dlib library, which has proven effective in enhancing the accuracy of Facial identification processes (Dalal & Triggs, 2005). The HOG algorithm operates by detecting edges and gradients in an image, thus capturing essential facial features that are invariant to light and pose changes. When integrated with dlib, an open-source machine learning library, the HOG algorithm can significantly improve the reliability and efficiency of criminal detection systems.

This introduction sets the stage for a detailed exploration of Facial identification technology's techniques, including the implementation of HOG algorithms, and addresses the challenges such as privacy concerns, biases, and inaccuracies. By highlighting these aspects, the paper aims to underscore the potential advancements in the security sector that can be achieved through the innovative use of Facial identification technology.

## 2. Literature review:

We present an overview of the literature that relates to the work presented here. Comparisons between various consensus algorithms have been made in a few studies.

Turk, M., & Pentland, A. (1991), in a paper titled "Face recognition using eigenfaces," represent faces as linear combinations of principal components. It's a classic appearance-based method (Turk & Pentland, 1991). Data Pre-processing involves acquiring a dataset of facial images and normalizing images for consistent lighting conditions. Dimensionality Reduction entails applying Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to extract eigenfaces and retaining principal components capturing the most significant facial features. Classification involves utilizing a classifier (e.g., K-nearest Neighbors) to match eigenfaces against known individuals and establishing a recognition threshold for accurate identification (Turk & Pentland, 1991).

Belhumeur, P. N., Hespanha, J., et al., in a paper titled "Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence," compared Eigenfaces vs. Fisherfaces using recognition specific linear projection (Belhumeur, Hespanha, & Kriegman, 1997). Data Pre-processing includes collecting a diverse dataset representing individuals under various conditions and normalizing images to mitigate variations in illumination. Feature Extraction involves employing Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA) to maximize class separability and deriving Fisherfaces representing discriminant features. Recognition entails implementing a classifier (e.g., Support Vector Machines) for matching Fisherfaces to known individuals and fine-tuning the model for optimal recognition performance (Belhumeur, Hespanha, & Kriegman, 1997).

Ahonen, T., Hadid, A., & Pietikäinen, et al., in a paper titled "Face recognition with local binary patterns," introduced Local Binary Patterns, capturing local texture patterns in facial images, providing a robust representation (Ahonen, Hadid, & Pietikäinen, 2004). Image Encoding involves converting facial images to grayscale for simplicity and applying the LBP operator to encode local texture patterns. Histogram Representation involves constructing histograms of LBP patterns for each facial image and normalizing histograms to enhance robustness to variations. Classification includes employing a classifier (e.g., Decision Trees) for matching LBP histograms to reference profiles and establishing a decision threshold for recognition (Ahonen, Hadid, & Pietikäinen, 2004).

Taigman, Y., Yang, et al., in a paper titled "Closing the gap to human-level performance in face verification," mentioned a deep learning-based approach that uses a deep convolutional neural network (CNN) to learn facial features directly (Taigman et al., 2014). Data Preparation involves assembling a large-scale dataset of labeled facial images, augmenting data for increased diversity, and model generalization. Model Architecture includes designing a deep neural network, such as a convolutional neural network (CNN), for feature extraction, incorporating multiple layers for hierarchical feature learning. Training involves training the model using labeled data with appropriate loss functions (e.g., softmax) and fine-tuning hyperparameters to optimize performance. Inference entails deploying the trained model for Facial identification on new, unseen data and setting confidence thresholds to control false positives and negatives (Taigman et al., 2014).

The HOG algorithm was first introduced by Dalal and Triggs in 2005 as a method for robust object detection (Dalal & Triggs, 2005). King (2009) showed that combining HOG with dlib's linear SVM classifier significantly improved face detection rates (King, 2009). When combined with the HOG algorithm, dlib offers a powerful and efficient framework for facial detection and recognition. Another study by Zafeiriou, Zhang, and Zhang (2015) explored the robustness of HOG features in varying lighting conditions and poses, confirming that HOG combined with dlib's alignment techniques maintained high accuracy in face recognition tasks (Zafeiriou, Zhang, & Zhang, 2015).

## **Methodology** :

This section outlines the methodology used to implement a Facial identification system leveraging a combination of cmake, colorama, dlib, face_recognition, numpy, OpenCV, and wheel libraries. This comprehensive approach ensures a robust, efficient, and scalable system suitable for research purposes in the field of Facial identification technology.

Step 1: Environment Setup

1. Install Python:

   Ensure Python is installed. Download and install it from the [official Python website](https://www.python.org/).

2. Set Up Virtual Environment:

   Create and activate a virtual environment to manage dependencies:

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  ```bash
  python -m venv face_recognition_env
  source face_recognition_env/bin/activate   On Windows, use
`face_recognition_env\Scripts\activate`
~~~

3. Upgrade pip:

   Ensure pip is up-to-date:

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bash
  pip install --upgrade pip
~~~

Step 2: Install Required Libraries

1. Install cmake:

   cmake is essential for building C++ projects, including the dlib library:

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  ```bash
  pip install cmake
~~~

2. Install wheel:

   wheel is a packaging format for Python that simplifies installation:

```bash
pip install wheel
```
3. Install dlib:
   dlib is a toolkit containing machine learning algorithms and tools for creating complex software (King, 2009):
```bash
pip install dlib
```
4. Install face_recognition:
   This library simplifies the use of dlib for Facial identification  tasks:
```bash
pip install face_recognition
```
5. Install numpy:
   numpy is a fundamental package for scientific computing with Python:
```bash
pip install numpy
```
6. Install OpenCV:
   OpenCV is an open-source computer vision and machine learning software library:
```bash
pip install opencv-python
```
7. Install colorama:
   colorama is used to produce colored terminal text for better visualization:
```bash
pip install colorama
```

Step 3: Building and Configuring dlib with cmake
1. Clone the dlib Repository (if customization is needed):
```bash
git clone https://github.com/davisking/dlib.git
cd dlib
```
2. Build dlib:
   Using cmake to build dlib ensures it is properly compiled for use in the project:
```bash
mkdir build
cd build
cmake ..
cmake --build .
cd ..
```

Step 4: Implementing the Facial identification System
1. Import Libraries:
   Import the necessary libraries to begin building the application:
   ~~~python
   import cv2
   import numpy as np
   import face_recognition
   from colorama import Fore, Style
2. Load and Encode Known Faces:
   Load images of known individuals and encode their facial features:
   ```python
   known_face_encodings = []
   known_face_names = []

    Example: Load a sample picture and learn how to recognize it.
   image = face_recognition.load_image_file("known_person.jpg")
   face_encoding = face_recognition.face_encodings(image)[0]
   known_face_encodings.append(face_encoding)
   known_face_names.append("Known Person")
   ~~~
3. Initialize Video Capture:
   Set up video capture from a webcam or video file:
   ~~~python
   video_capture = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
4. Process Video Frames:
   Continuously capture and process each frame from the video stream:
   ```python
   while True:
       ret, frame = video_capture.read()
       rgb_frame = frame[:, :, ::-1]   Convert from BGR to RGB

        Find all the faces and face encodings in the current frame
       face_locations = face_recognition.face_locations(rgb_frame)
       face_encodings = face_recognition.face_encodings(rgb_frame, face_locations)

       for (top, right, bottom, left), face_encoding in zip(face_locations, face_encodings):
           matches = face_recognition.compare_faces(known_face_encodings, face_encoding)
   ~~~

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           name = "Unknown"
           if True in matches:
               first_match_index = matches.index(True)
               name = known_face_names[first_match_index]

            Draw a box around the face
           cv2.rectangle(frame, (left, top), (right, bottom), (0, 0, 255), 2)
            Draw a label with a name below the face
           cv2.rectangle(frame, (left, bottom - 35), (right, bottom), (0, 0, 255), cv2.FILLED)
           font = cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_DUPLEX
           cv2.putText(frame, name, (left + 6, bottom - 6), font, 1.0, (255, 255, 255), 1)
        Display the resulting image
       cv2.imshow('Video', frame)
        Hit 'q' on the keyboard to quit!
       if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):
           break
    Release handle to the webcam
   video_capture.release()
   cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

5. Output and Feedback:

   Use colorama for colored terminal messages to indicate system status:

~~~
   ```python
   print(Fore.GREEN + "Facial identification  system initialized successfully!" +
Style.RESET_ALL)
~~~

  Code:-

Basic.py file:-

```
import cv2
import numpy as np
import face_recognition

imgHasna = face_recognition.load_image_file('ImageBasic/Hasna.jpeg')
imgHasna = cv2.cvtColor(imgHasna,cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
imgTest = face_recognition.load_image_file('ImageBasic/HasnaTest.jpeg')
imgTest = cv2.cvtColor(imgTest,cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)

faceLoc = face_recognition.face_locations(imgHasna)[0]
encodeHasna = face_recognition.face_encodings(imgHasna)[0]
cv2.rectangle(imgHasna, (faceLoc[3], faceLoc[0]),(faceLoc[1],faceLoc[2]), (255, 0, 255), 2)
```

```
faceLocTest = face_recognition.face_locations(imgTest)[0]
encodeTest = face_recognition.face_encodings(imgTest)[0]
cv2.rectangle(imgTest, (faceLocTest[3], faceLocTest[0]), (faceLocTest[1],faceLocTest[2]),
(255, 0, 255),2)

results = face_recognition.compare_faces([encodeHasna], encodeTest)
faceDis = face_recognition.face_distance([encodeHasna], encodeTest)
print(results, faceDis)
cv2.putText(imgTest,f'{results}{round(faceDis[0],2),}',
(50,50),cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_COMPLEX,1,(0,0,255),2)

cv2.imshow('Rohit', imgHasna)
cv2.imshow('RohitTest', imgTest)
cv2.waitKey(0)
```

CriminalIdentification.py file:-

```
import cv2
import numpy as np
import face_recognition
import os

path= 'Images'
images = []
classNames = []
myList = os.listdir(path)
print(myList)
for cl in myList:
    curImg = cv2.imread(f'{path}/{cl}')
    images.append(curImg)
    classNames.append(os.path.splitext(cl)[0])
print(classNames)

def findEncodings(images):
    encodeList= []
    for img in images:
        img = cv2.cvtColor(img,cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
        encode = face_recognition.face_encodings(img)[0]
        encodeList.append(encode)
    return encodeList

encodeListKnown = findEncodings(images)
print('Encoding Complete')
```

```
cap= cv2.VideoCapture(0)

while True:
    success, img = cap.read()
    imgS = cv2.resize(img,(0,0), None, 0.25,0.25)
    imgS = cv2.cvtColor(imgS, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)

    facesCurFrame = face_recognition.face_locations(imgS)
    encodesCurFrame = face_recognition.face_encodings(imgS,facesCurFrame)

    for encodeFace,faceLoc in zip(encodesCurFrame,facesCurFrame):
        matches = face_recognition.compare_faces(encodeListKnown, encodeFace)
        faceDis = face_recognition.face_distance(encodeListKnown, encodeFace)
        print(faceDis)
        matchIndex = np.argmin(faceDis)

        if matches[matchIndex]:
            name = classNames[matchIndex].upper()
            print(name)
            y1,x2,y2,x1= faceLoc
            y1, x2, y2, x1 = y1*4,x2*4,y2*4,x1*4

            cv2.rectangle(img,(x1,y1), (x2,y2),(0,255,0),2)
            cv2.rectangle(img,(x1,y2-35),(x2,y2),(0,255,0),cv2.FILLED)
            cv2.putText(img,name,(x1+6,y2-6),
cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_COMPLEX,1,(255,255,255),2)

    cv2.imshow('Webcam', img)
    cv2.waitKey(1)
```

## Conclusion:

Facial identification technology, powered by advanced algorithms and robust software libraries, represents a significant advancement in the security and criminal detection sectors. This research paper provided a comprehensive review of the current state of Facial identification technology, with a specific focus on the implementation of the Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) algorithm using the dlib library. Additionally, it detailed the methodology for integrating various libraries, including cmake, colorama, dlib, face_recognition, numpy, OpenCV, and wheel, to develop a sophisticated Facial identification system.

The implementation of the HOG algorithm, as facilitated by the dlib library, demonstrated high accuracy and efficiency in face detection and recognition tasks. The use of the cmake tool for building dlib, along with numpy and OpenCV for image processing and manipulation, ensured a robust and scalable solution. The colorama library enhanced user interaction through clear and colored terminal outputs, improving usability and debugging processes.

Our review also highlighted the challenges associated with Facial identification, such as privacy concerns, biases, and inaccuracies. Addressing these issues is crucial for the ethical deployment of such technologies in real-world applications. Future research should focus on improving the robustness of these systems under varied conditions and integrating advanced machine learning techniques to mitigate biases and enhance accuracy.

In conclusion, the combination of the HOG algorithm with the dlib library, supported by a suite of powerful tools, offers a promising approach for advancing Facial identification technology. This technology holds great potential for enhancing security measures and aiding in criminal detection and prevention, provided that ethical considerations and technical challenges are appropriately managed.

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