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# Face recognition

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# 1. Problem description

## 1.1 Overview

According to the article *Face recognition: A literature survey* from ZHAO et al. (2003), face recognition can be segmented into three key steps, shown in figure 1.

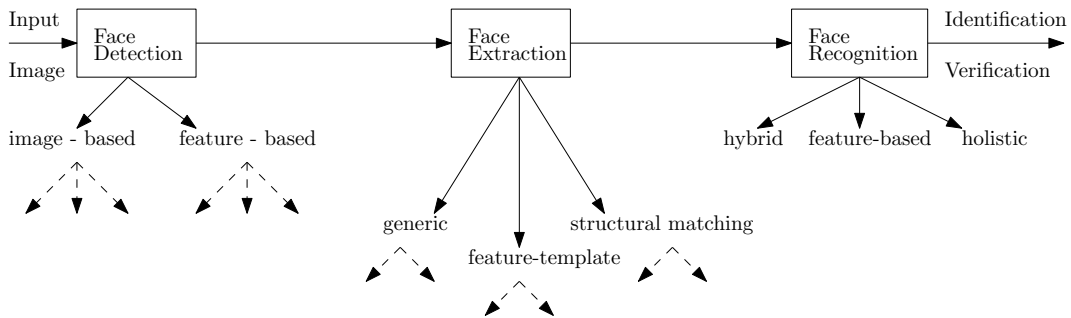


Figure 1: Face Recognition Progress

**Face Detection** is responsible for a rough normalization (like face tracking) and use for this task different approaches.

**Face Extraction** generates a more accurate normalization (like human emotions). The different approaches to get this emotions are shown in figure 1. Face detection and face extraction approaches can use the same feature-based-method (like informations out of color, Motion, ...)so they can perform simultaneous.

**Face Recognition** is the last step to identify/verify a picture. For a verification/identification several methods are available.

## 1.2 Face Detection

We decided to have a closer look on the face detection process because for the processes afterwards we need a detected face, which is not available without any effort.

To find an approach which we can study, implement and test we made further researches in this segment. The article *Face detection: A survey* from Hjelmås (2001) gives a good overview of the topic face detection. The figure 2 (out of Hjelmås (2001)) represents the different approaches to detect faces in a picture.

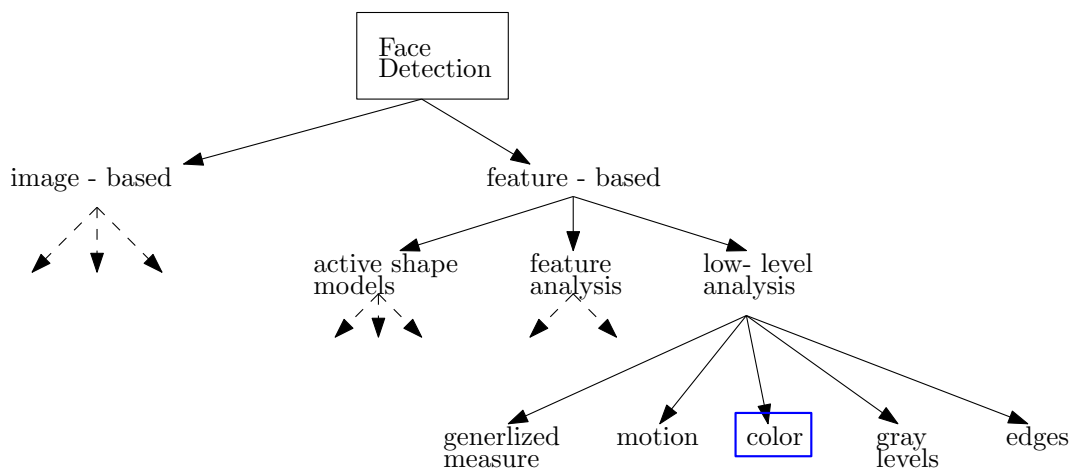


Figure 2: Face Detection divided into approaches (more detailed from Hjelmås (2001)).

According to Hjelmås (2001) are **Image-based approaches** the most robust techniques for gray images, but on the other side they need a lot of computation time by multiresolution window scanning.

The **feature-based approaches** were the first attempts in the face detection history. They are built up simple and so they need less computation time, this enables these approaches access to real-time applications.

The most interesting approach for us was *Face detection based on color likelihood* approach (in figure 2 marked as *Color*).

## 2. Literature Analysis

The literature analysis began with the topic selection (see chapter 1). The supervisor told us that the initial chosen topic *Face Detection* is too big to treat within one semester, so the first literature research was done to find a specific topic to handle.

The second literature research was done to find information about the chosen topic.

### 2.1 Approach

All interesting literature which were found and marked as interesting (by scanning the abstract) were saved in a list on the Ilias project space. This articles were read in a more detail afterwards.

The structure of the table (see figure 3) make additional sorting (by exporting/copying into an EXCEL) possible and the implementation on ILIAS makes it possible to get access easily to the actual table.

Literature Research (LR)				
ID	Date	Topic	Source	comment
1	22.10.2016	general	olav: face recognition database	<a href="#">ScienceDirect - On internal representations in face recognition systems</a> analysis of face recognition systems; mentioned databases: FERET and <a href="#">Face database info MIT</a>
2	27.10.2016	general	google: face recognition overview	<a href="#">Face Recognition: A Literature Survey</a> nice overview about face recognition (split into Detection, extraction and Recognition) -> Useful to search a more detailed topic.
3	27.10.2016	Face detection	olav: face detection	<a href="#">ScienceDirect - Computer Vision and Image Understanding - Face Detection: A Survey</a> Good overview about different approaches to detect faces
4	27.10.2016	Face detection - color	olav: face detection	<a href="#">ScienceDirect - Pattern Recognition - Face detection based on skin color likelihood</a> Face detection based on color likelihood - approach of: Face detection -> Feature-based approaches -> low level analysis -> color

Figure 3: Literature research table - 30.10.2016.

All literatures which were mentioned in this document are also listed in the bibliography.

## **2.2 Literature analysis of the topic face detection based on color likelihood**

documentation why articles have been selected or rejected. All used sources must be mentioned here

# Bibliography

Hjelmas, E. (2001). Face detection: A survey. *Computer Vision and Image Understanding*, 83(3):236–247.

ZHAO, W., CHELLAPPA, R., P.J.Phillips, and Rosenfeld, A. (2003). Face recognition: A literature survey. *ACM Computing Surveys*, 35(4):339–458.