

# PSY 1406: Primate FaceNet Detection

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# Research Questions

- How does FaceNet perform on **non-human face recognition tasks?**
- What role do **gender** and **age** play in FaceNet's detection capabilities?
- Can FaceNet help us gain insight into visual indicators of **evolutionary similarity?**
- Does FaceNet prove useful in **differentiating between species?**

# Hypothesis

While FaceNet **will** be able to distinguish between **individual chimps** (by some statistically significant margin), it will **struggle** with more **advanced face recognition tasks** along the axes of gender, age, and interspecies identification.

To test this theory, we will pass input images from annotated datasets of **chimps**, **rhesus macaques**, and **Japanese Monkeys** into FaceNet and compute **statistical analysis** on the **euclidean distance scores**.

We will break this analysis into **4 questions** and carry out **independent** euclidean distance computations for each of them.

# Question 1

Can FaceNet identify individual chimps?

# Dataset and Wrangling

**Name:** Alexander Freytag and Erik Rodner and Marcel Simon and Alexander Loos and Hjalmar Kühl and Joachim Denzler: "Chimpanzee Faces in the Wild: Log-Euclidean CNNs for Predicting Identities and Attributes of Primates", German Conference on Pattern Recognition (GCPR), 2016.

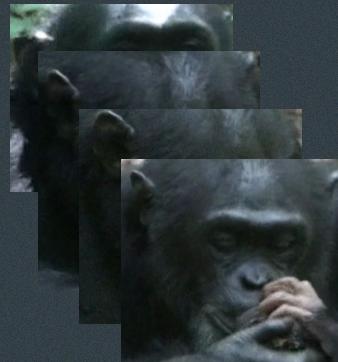
**Cleaned Data:** 50 chimp images. Half of the images are of the same chimp named 'Fredy'. The other half of the images depict different chimps.

# Negative/Positive/Anchor Images

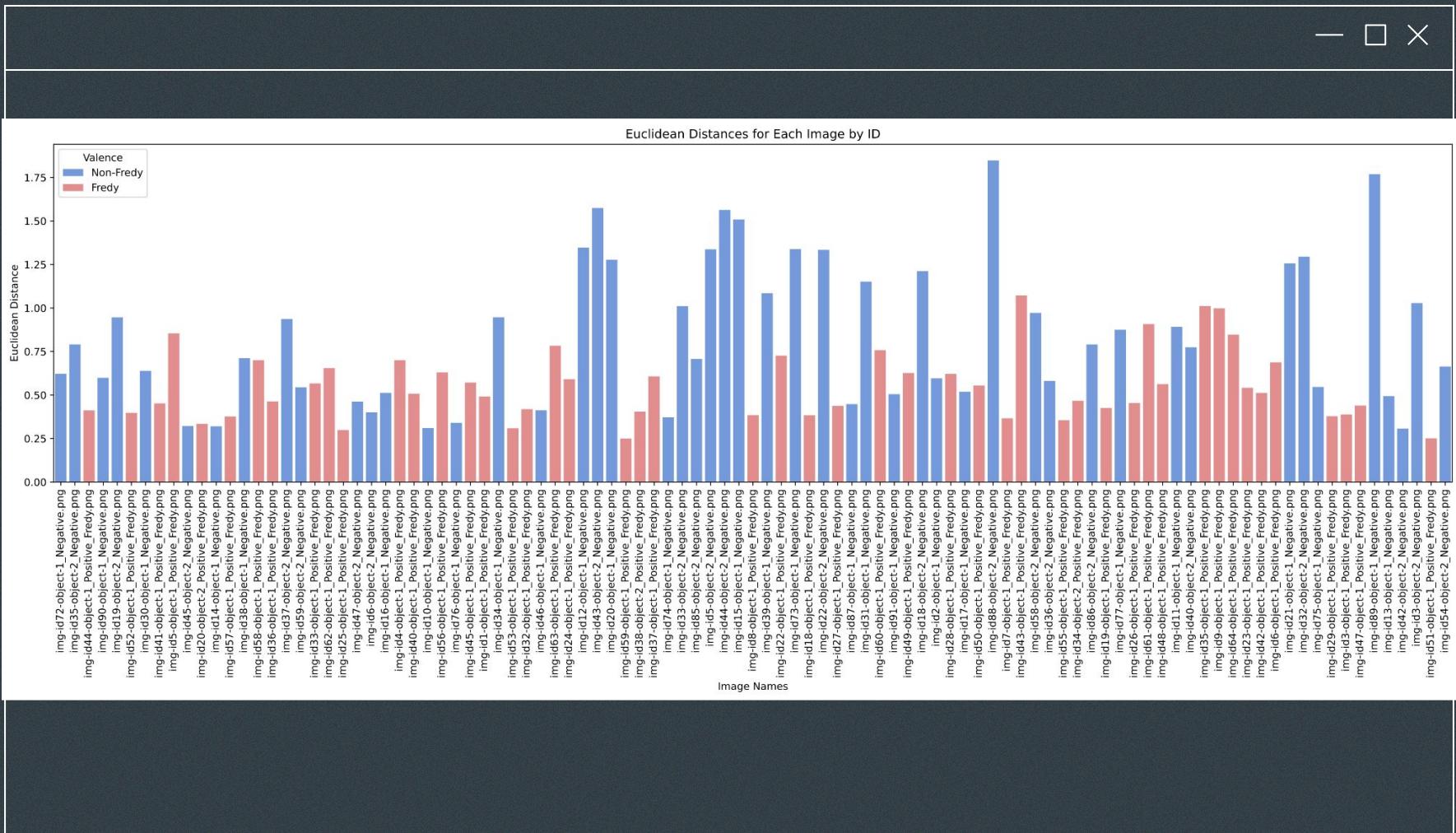


**Anchor:** Fredy  
(Image ID #54)

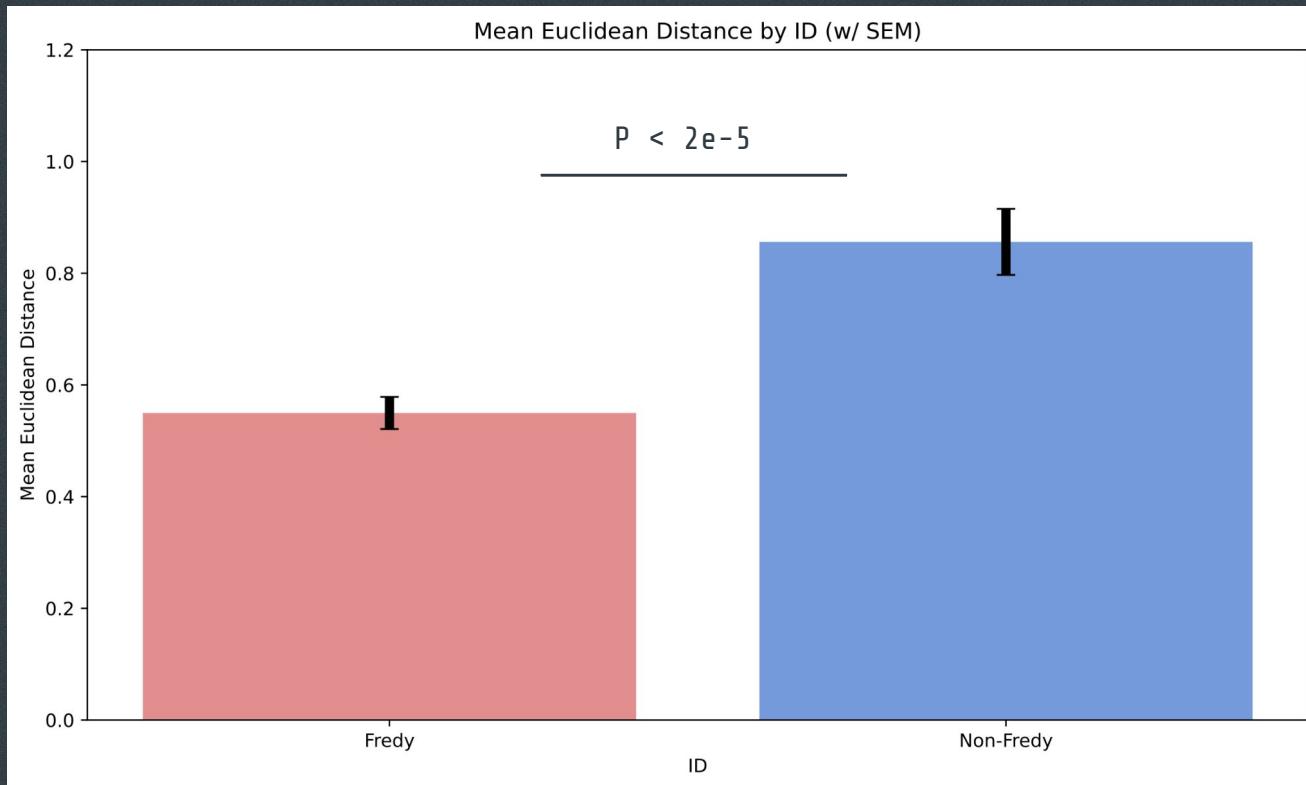
**Positive:** 49 Other Fredy  
Images



**Negative:** 50  
Non-Fredy  
Chimp Images



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# Question 2

Can FaceNet discriminate between gender  
within species?

# Description of Dataset (Question 2-4)

**Name:** PrimFace (Face database of non-human primates)

<https://visiome.neuroinf.jp/primface/>

**Primate Types:** Japanese Monkey, Rhesus Macaque,  
Chimpanzee with metadata on gender and age

30 Images of n=3 for each of the primate types were used

# Negative/Positive/Anchor Images

**Anchor:**

Rhesus Macaque  
(Female/Age:5)

**Positive:**

Rhesus Macaque  
(Female/Age:5)  
Different angled images

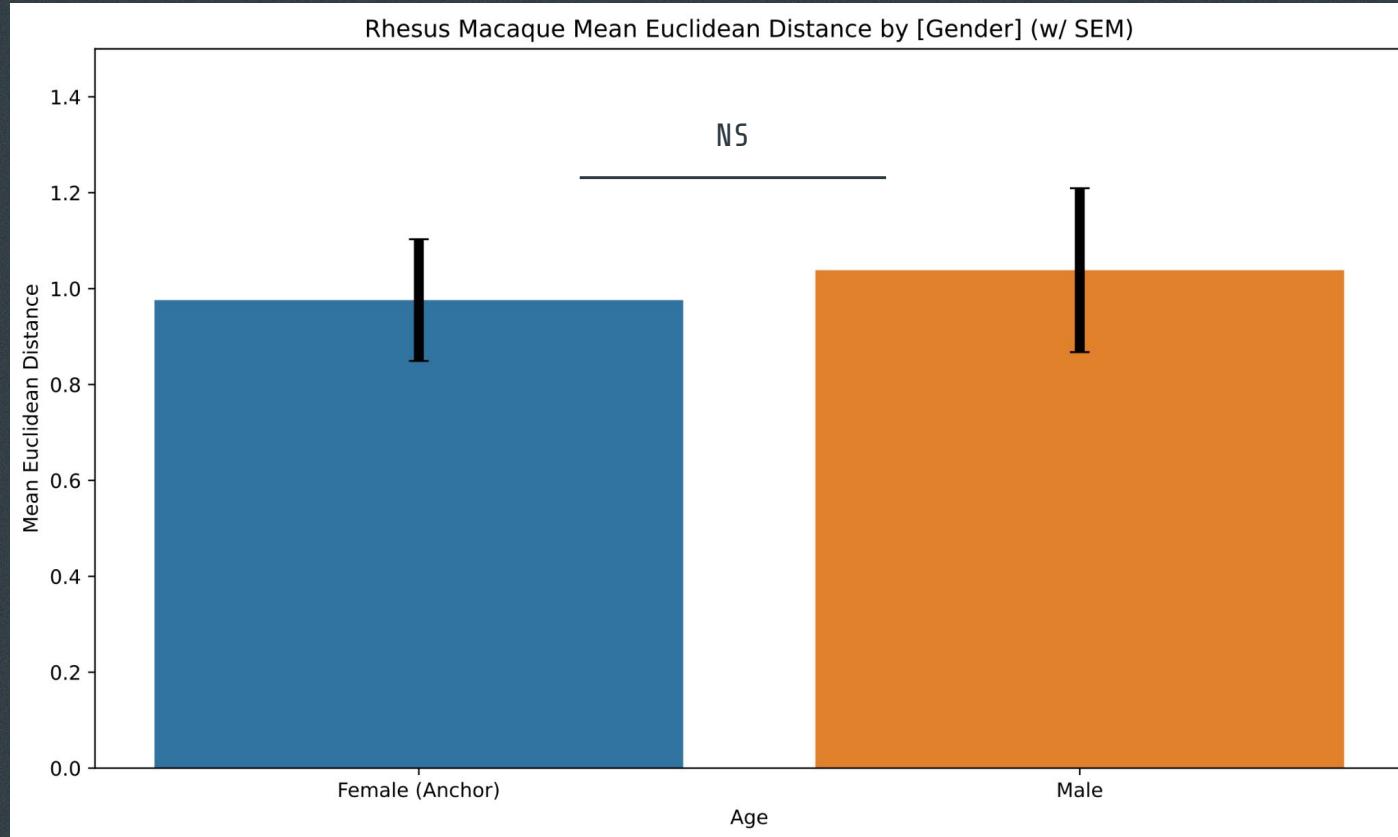
**Negative:**

Rhesus Macaque  
(Female/Age:20)



This design allows us to investigate discriminative capacity of FaceNet on Rhesus Macaque gender, but also Age (Question 3)

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# Can Facenet recognize males more accurately than females?

Welch Two Sample t-test

```
data: Distance by Gender
t = 0.90026, df = 93.878, p-value = 0.3703
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group FE and group MA is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-0.08671091  0.23056604
sample estimates:
mean in group FE mean in group MA
1.262022        1.190094
```

# Can Facenet recognize males more accurately than females, controlling for age?

```
Call:  
lm(formula = Distance ~ Gender + Age, data = data)  
  
Residuals:  
    Min      1Q  Median      3Q     Max  
-0.90429 -0.25136  0.02597  0.31291  0.69682  
  
Coefficients:  
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
(Intercept) 1.207785  0.104450 11.563 <2e-16 ***  
GenderMA    -0.048396  0.090840 -0.533   0.595  
Age         0.001856  0.003399  0.546   0.586  
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Signif. codes:  0 ‘***’ 0.001 ‘**’ 0.01 ‘*’ 0.05 ‘.’ 0.1 ‘ ’ 1  
  
Residual standard error: 0.4053 on 94 degrees of freedom  
Multiple R-squared:  0.01061, Adjusted R-squared:  -0.01044  
F-statistic: 0.5042 on 2 and 94 DF, p-value: 0.6056
```

## Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Distance

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Gender	1	0.1167	0.116694	0.7102	0.4015
Age	1	0.0490	0.048993	0.2982	0.5863
Residuals	94	15.4446	0.164304		

# Can Facenet recognize males more accurately than females, controlling for age groups?

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Call:  
lm(formula = Distance ~ Gender + Age_Group, data = data)  
  
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Coefficients:  
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(Intercept)  1.24963  0.06647 18.801 <2e-16 ***  
GenderMA     -0.04345  0.09254 -0.470  0.6398  
Age_GroupElderly  0.02187  0.14311  0.153  0.8789  
Age_GroupInfant   0.05714  0.10274  0.556  0.5795  
Age_GroupJuvenile -0.28612  0.15743 -1.817  0.0724 .  
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### Response: Distance

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Gender	1	0.1167	0.11669	0.7265	0.3962
Age_Group	3	0.7167	0.23890	1.4874	0.2232
Residuals	92	14.7768	0.16062		

# Exploratory Analysis: Can we predict euclidean distance based on age group while controlling for gender?

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## Analysis of Variance Table

### Response: Distance

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Age_Group	3	0.7980	0.265994	1.6561	0.1820
Gender	1	0.0354	0.035417	0.2205	0.6398
Residuals	92	14.7768	0.160618		
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## Analysis of Variance Table

### Response: Distance

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Age	1	0.1191	0.119053	0.7246	0.3968
Gender	1	0.0466	0.046634	0.2838	0.5955
Residuals	94	15.4446	0.164304		

# Discussion (Broad)

- Facenet's sensitivity to Chimp faces:
  - Training data bias
  - Feature emphasis discrepancy: Facenet is trained to emphasize and distinguish among human faces (eye spacing, facial symmetry, etc) which might not be as pronounced in Chimps
  - Facial structure and variability differences: can lead to misinterpretation or overlooked by algorithm
- Gender differences in chimp:
  - gender differences are not pronounced enough to be detected
- Age as a confounding factor:
- Sample Size and Study design:
  - Can replicate using different chimps as “anchor”
  - if effect size is small, larger sample sizes are necessary to detect significant differences

# Discussion (Algorithm)

- **Triplet Loss Function**: used to ensure that an image of a specific person's face is closer to all other images of the same person than to any image of any other person in the dataset
  - Chimps: struggle with subtle differences or misaligned features
- **CNN**: used for feature extraction, tuned to human facial features (eyes, noses, mouths) in specific configurations and proportions
- **Embedding layer**: Used to compare faces and determine similarity

# Question 3

Can FaceNet discriminate **age** within species?

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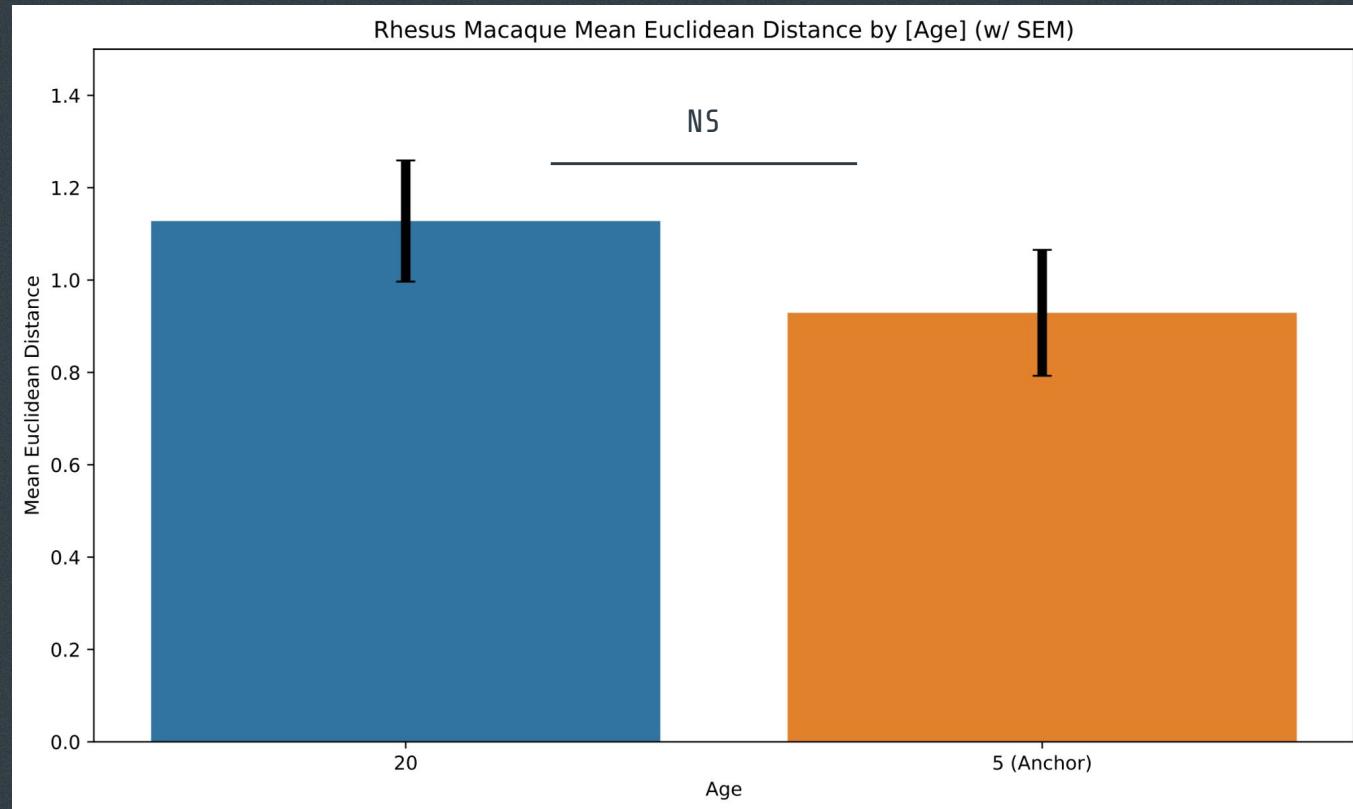
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# Question 4

Can FaceNet discriminate across species?  
(Chimps vs Rhesus vs Jap. Monkey)

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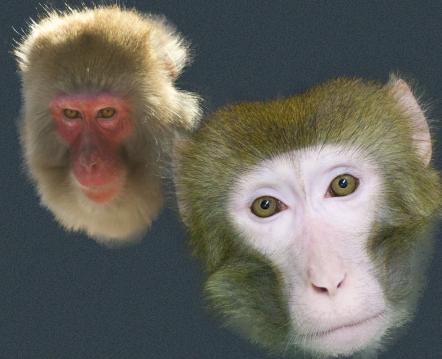
**Anchor:**  
Chimpanzee  
(Female/Age:34)



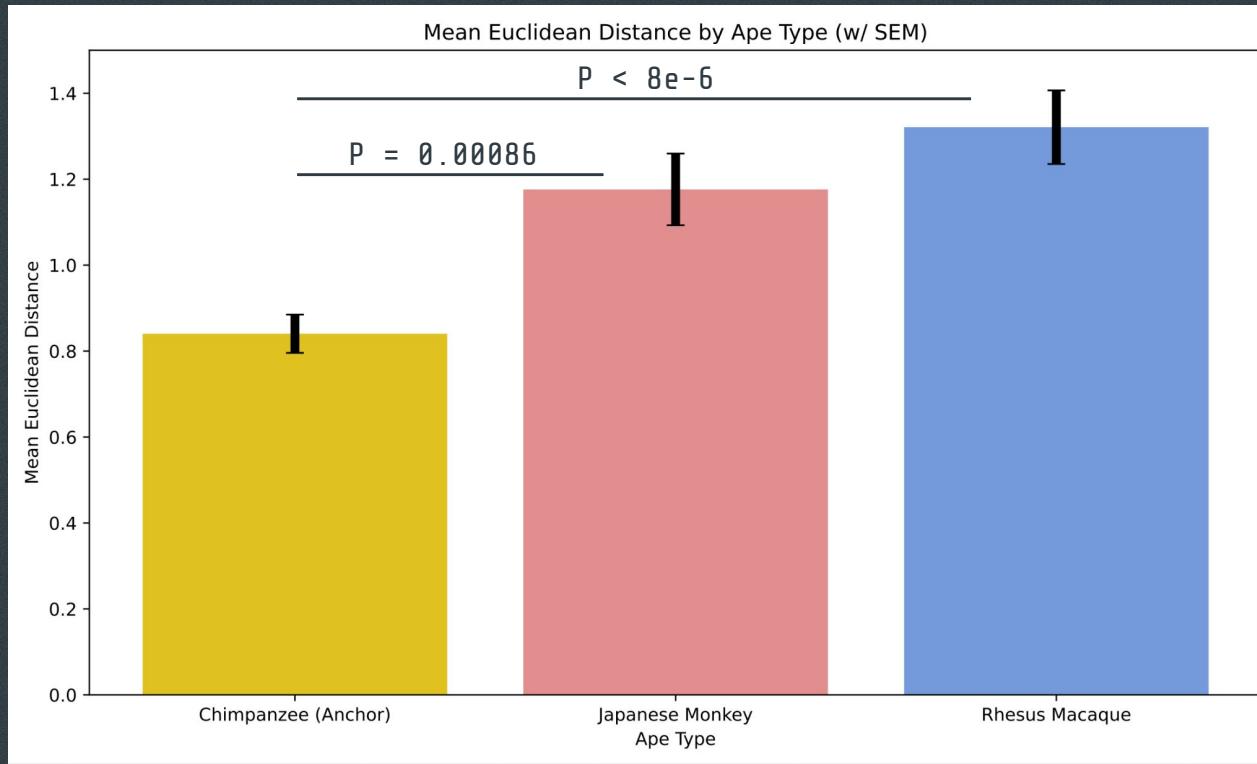
**Positive:**  
30 Images of 3  
Chimpanzees



**Negative:**  
30 Images of 3 Rhesus Macaques,  
30 Images of Japanese Monkeys

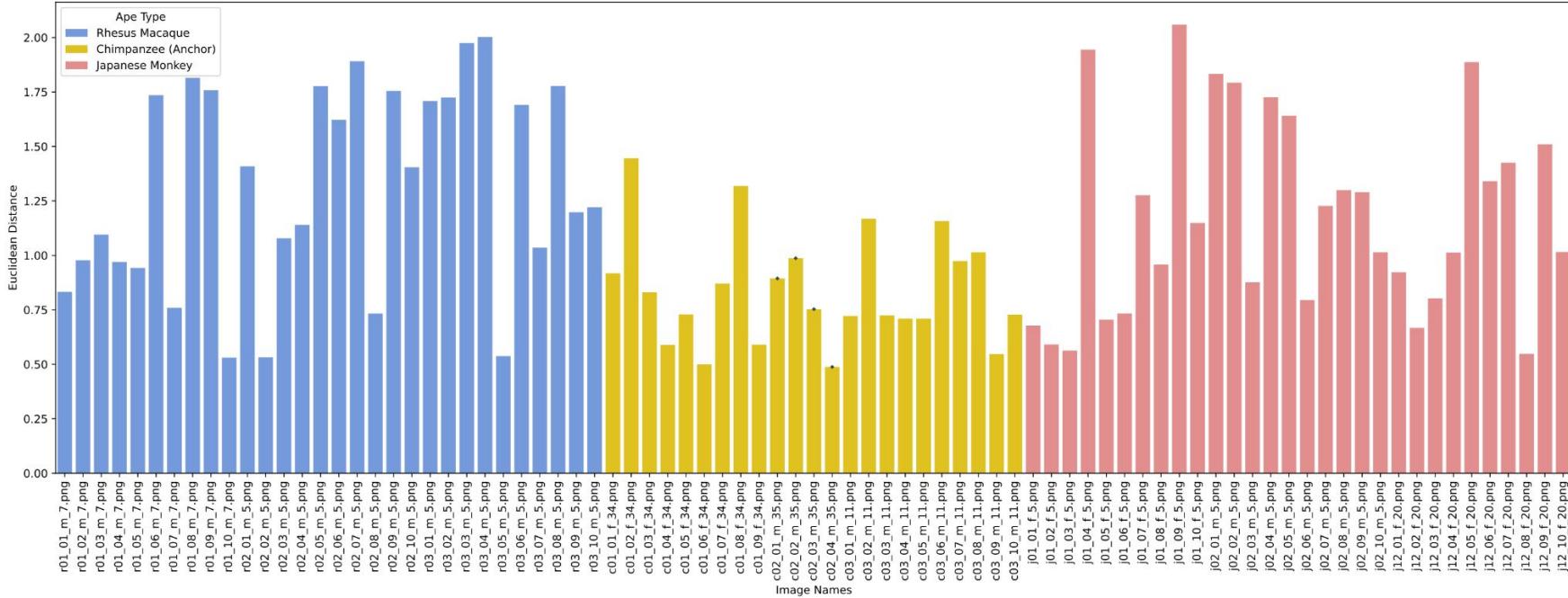


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Euclidean Distances for Each Image by Ape Type



# Conclusion

# Q&A

*thank you for your time and attention!*