Face & Eye Detection using HAAR Cascade Classifiers

1. Importing Necessary Libraries

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In [25]: import cv2 # OpenCV Library for computer vision tasks
import numpy as np
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2. Load HAAR Cascade Classifiers

Load the pre-trained HAAR Cascade classifiers for face and eye detection. OpenCV provides these XML files.

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In [35]: face_classifier = cv2.CascadeClassifier('C:/projects/facedetect/Haarcascades/haarcascade_frontalface_default.xml')
    eye_classifier = cv2.CascadeClassifier('C:/projects/facedetect/Haarcascades/haarcascade_eye.xml')

# Check if classifiers are loaded properly
    if face_classifier.empty():
        raise IOError("Failed to load face classifier xml file. Check the path.")

if eye_classifier.empty():
    raise IOError("Failed to load eye classifier xml file. Check the path.")
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3. Load the image, resize and convert it to grayscale.

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In [49]: # Read the input image
    image_path = 'C:/projects/facedetect/pic1.jpg'
    image = cv2.imread(image_path)
    if image is None:
        raise FileNotFoundError("Image file not found. Please check the path.")

# Resize the image for easier display
    scale_percent = 50 # percent of original size
    width = int(image.shape[1] * scale_percent / 100)
    height = int(image.shape[0] * scale_percent / 100)
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dim = (width, height)
resized_image = cv2.resize(image, dim, interpolation=cv2.INTER_AREA)
gray = cv2.cvtColor(resized_image, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
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4. Detect faces in the grayscale image

5. Display result