



# Privacy-preserving Workload Reduction of Biometric Systems

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#### Introduction



#### **Biometric Operation Mode: Identification**

- ► There is **no biometric claim**.
- ▶ The decision has to be reached using **the biometric data alone**.
- ▶ Computationally **expensive** (in worst scenario, exhaustive search).

#### **Problems and Motivation**

- **E**xhaustive **searches** together with the **protection** scheme.
- Biometric deployments require interoperability and usability by including efficient multi-modal solutions.
- ▶ **Vulnerabilities** on the privacy protection schemes.
  - 1. Unauthorised subjects breaking into biometric systems.
  - 2. Breach of protected privacy information.







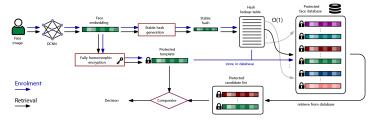


## Stable Search



## Privacy-preserving face identification system for indexing and retrieval of protected face templates.

- 1. Application to Homomorphic encryption.
- 2. Stable search in the encrypted domain.
- 3. Not to the exhaustive searches: search in O(1) with a look-up hash table.
- 4. Generation of stable face hashes (non-fuzzy comparison).
- 5. Workload reduction down to 0.1% of a baseline approach (i.e. an exhaustive search).



Indexing encrypted templates through a look-up hash table.

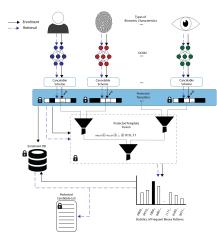


## Multi-biometric Indexing



## Concept of Frequent Binary Patterns

- Application to Cancelable schemes.
- Solution agnostic with respect to biometric modality and protection scheme.
- Application to Face, Iris, and Fingerprint.
- Working on the most secure level of the biometric system: feature level.



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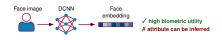


## **Privacy Protection**

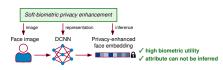


#### Vulnerabilities and Strengths on Privacy Protection Schemes.

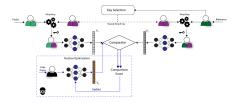
- Novel attacks on protected information: e.g. demographic information.
- Need of novel protocols and evaluations to consider the highest security and privacy.
- Chance of the false match increased.
- Attacks led to novel insights against adversarial attacks.



#### (a)Unprotected domain



#### (b)Protected domain



Scheme against adversarial attacks



## **Final Remarks**



#### Take-away message

- ▶ We need to make efficient multi-biometric deployments while maintaining the highest privacy, security, and biometric performance.
- ► There is a need for indexing solutions that work by a trade-off between privacy and efficiency.
- ▶ It has been argued that a more rigorous analysis is necessary to measure the actual privacy enhancement provided by privacy-enhancing technologies.

#### **Achievments**

- ▶ 11 peer-reviewed publications.
- Multidisciplinary research through collaborations with lawyers and academic institutions.
- Skills in teaching at one university and supervision of 1 BSc and 2 MSc theses.





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