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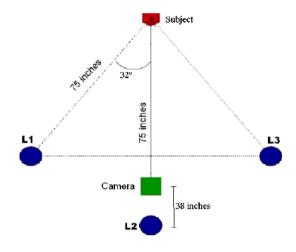


Fig. 1. Studio setup for capturing face images indoor. Three light sources L1, L2, L3 were used in conjunction with normal office lights.

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Table 1. Summary of different works pertaining to face and speech fusion

Study	Algorithm	DB Size	Covariates of interest	Top individual per-	Fusion
-	used			formance	Performance
UK-BWG	Face, voice:	200	Time: 1–2 month	TAR* at 1% FAR#	_
(Mansfield et	Commercial		separation (indoor)	Face: 96.5%	
al., 2001)				Voice: 96%	
Brunelli	Face:	87	Time: 3 sessions, time	Face:	TAR =98.5%
(Brunelli	Hierarchical		unknown (indoor)	TAR = 92% at	at 0.5% FAR
and Falavigna,	correlation			4.5% FAR	
1995)	Voice:			Voice:	
	MFCC			TAR = 63% at	
				15% FAR	
Jain (Jain et al.,	Face:	50	Time: Two weeks (indoor)	TAR at 1% FAR	Face + Voice
1999)	Eigenface			Face: 43%	+
	Voice:			Voice: 96.5%	Fingerprint =
	Cepstrum			Fingerprint: 96%	98.5%
	Coeff. Based				
Sanderson	Face: PCA	43	Time: 3 sessions (indoor)	Equal Error Rate	Equal Error
(Sanderson and	Voice: MFCC		Noise addition to voice	Face: 10%	Rate 2.86%
Paliwal, 2002)				Voice: 12.41%	
Proposed study	Face, voice:	116	Location: Indoor and	TARs at 1% FAR	TAR = 98%
	Commercial		Outdoor (same day)	Indoor-Outdoor	at 1% FAR
			Noise addition to eye	Face: 80%	
			coordinates	Voice: 67.5%	

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