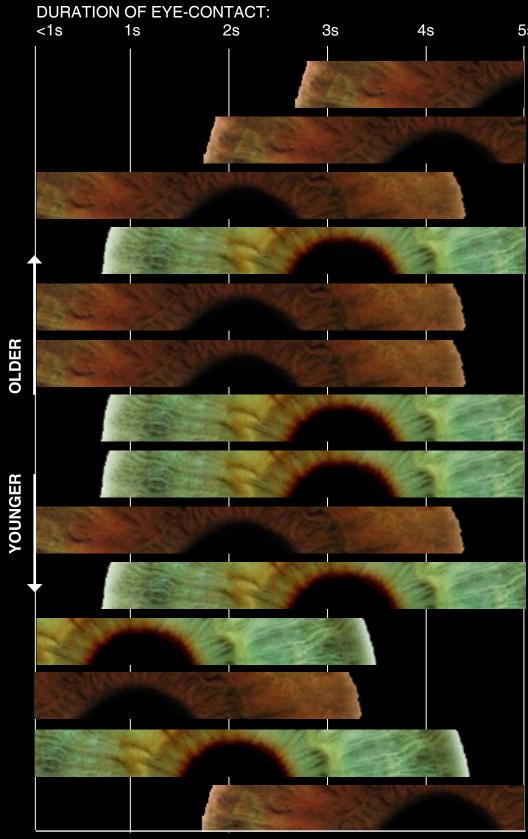
You're Making Me Uncomfortable



How do people react when I attempt to make eye contact?

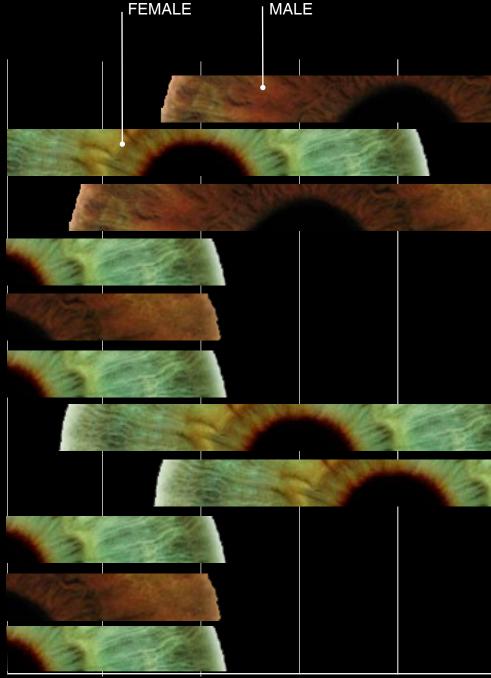
• This is so uncomfortable! • I keep on *not* making eye contact; need to overcome my internal programming. • Am I choosing only non-threatening targets? • Hard to tell if people are actually looking at me... • As people get closer, I keep on chickening out. • Easier to make eye contact when you're moving; natural way out of encounter? • People plugged in are lost causes. • Am I a bully, forcing my gaze on people? I feel like an agressor. • Why won't people engage with me?? • Maybe I should start trying for second-looks? • Do I have the wrong motivations to establish contact? I'm not looking for genuine connection, just data for project. • Men more likely to make contact? • Need a contract for successful eye contact - both parties need to be willing to connect. • Staring at people who aren't staring back

feels invasive, especially up close. Am I violating their privacy?

• Certain radius at which this feels invasive/dangerous. Definitely arms-reach. • People wearing glasses are hard to track. • I can't even enjoy first moment of connections because I'm so excited by "success" and that I'm able to record better data. • Wouldn't be collecting these thoughts if I was collecting data via phone app. • When looking at people you get a glimpse into inner thoughts - like that guy was super annoyed by mariachi band.

• Isn't what's going on in my head more interesting that the data I'm collecting? I feel resentful that I'm being asked to reduce human interaction down to data points. If I can distill my thoughts down to data points, then what does that mean?? • This project definitely shows more about me than

about humanity... • Everybody is plugged in everywhere.



DISTANCE AT EYE-CONTACT: 0 - 6 ft

7 - 10 ft

11 - 20 ft