

Face Shape Detection Using Transfer Learning and Spectacle Recommendation

[Computer Vision Course Project]

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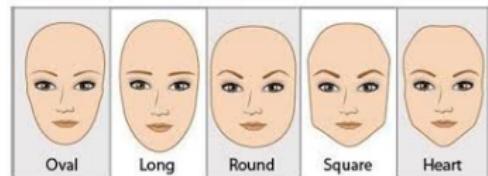
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Objective:

- Develop a deep learning system to classify face shapes (Heart, Oval, Round, Square, Oblong).
- Recommend personalized spectacles based on face shape.

Why It Matters:

- 80% of consumers pay premium for **personalized** beauty/fashion (Deloitte).
- Eliminates trial-and-error in eyewear shopping.



Problem Statement: Why Face Shape Classification?

Industry Demand

- 40% of adults (16-39) want personalized beauty/fashion offers (Deloitte)
- Only 10-14% trial rate despite high interest
- 80% willing to pay **10%+ premium** for personalization

Key Use Cases

- **Eyewear recommendations**
- Makeup/hairstyle guides
- Custom skincare products



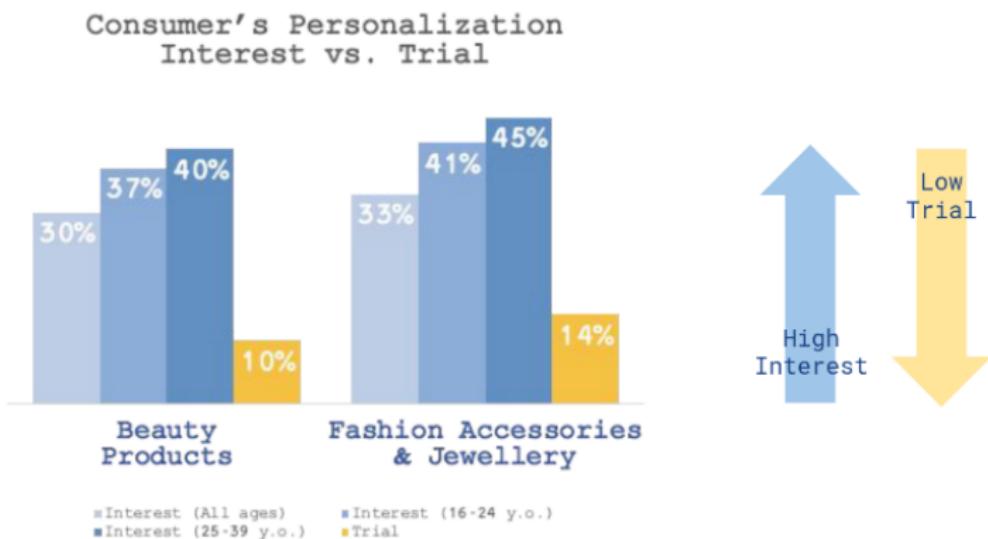


Figure: Customer Review

How many of you get confused while buying a spectacle??

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Dataset Overview

Dataset Specifications

- **Source:** Kaggle Face Shape Dataset
- **Size:** 5,000 female celebrity images
- **Classes:** Heart, Oblong, Oval, Round, Square
- **Split:** 80% train / 20% test per class

Dataset Overview (Contd.)

Key Challenges

- Extreme size variations (159px to 9999px)
- Diverse aspect ratios (0.5 portrait to 1.5 landscape)
- Distortion artifacts in resizing
- Lighting/pose inconsistencies

Preprocessing Approach

Challenge	Solution
Variable sizes	MTCNN face detection
Aspect ratios	Smart cropping
Color spaces	RGB conversion

Preprocessing Techniques

Core Processing Pipeline

① Aspect Ratio Preservation

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③ Color Space Selection

- ▶ Tested: Grayscale vs. RGB vs. HSV
- ▶ Selected: Grayscale for best accuracy
- ▶ Rejected: HSV due to inconsistent class performance

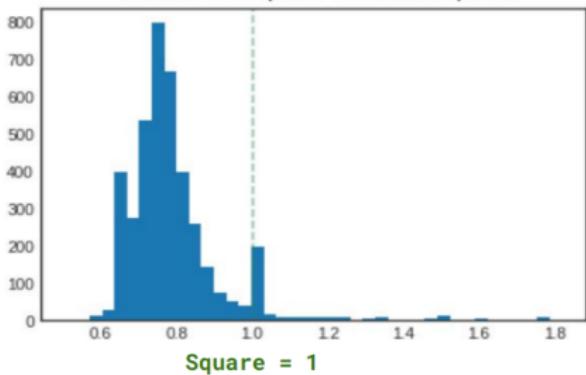
Key Technical Decisions

Challenge	Solution
Extreme size variations	Multi-stage resizing pipeline
Partial face visibility	Bounding box expansion logic
Color inconsistency	RGB normalization (0-1 scaling)

Images are mostly taken as portrait
(aspect ratio < 1)

Distribution of images by aspect_ratio
Portrait <1 : Square =1 : Landscape >1

Portrait



Landscape

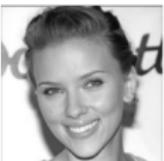


Image Augmentation

Image Preprocessing

Flipping



Rotating



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Building the Baseline Model

Architecture Details

- **13 Convolutional Layers:**
- **MaxPooling:** 2×2 after each conv
- **Dropout:** 0.5 rate in FC layers
- **Input:** 224×224 (grayscale/RGB)
- **Output:** 5 classes (softmax)

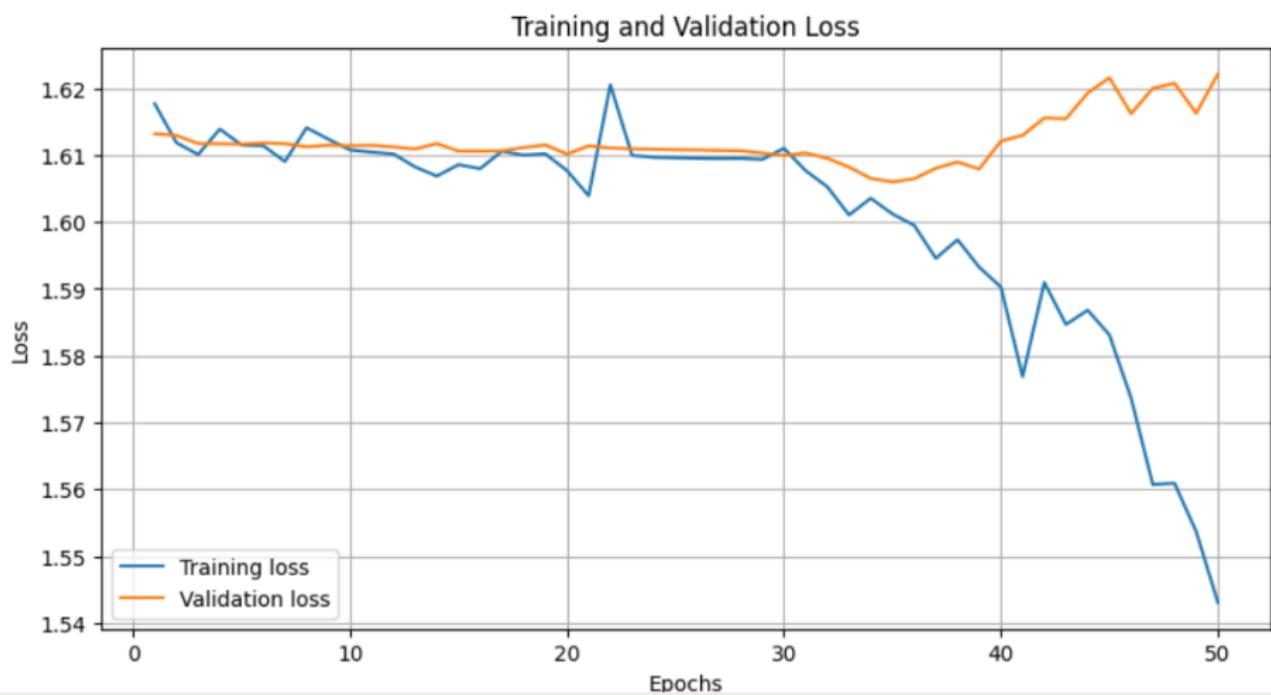
Performance Summary

Metric	Value
Training Accuracy	53.9%
Validation Accuracy	42.7%
Overfitting Gap	31.2%
Epochs	100
Batch Size	8

Key Issues

- Severe overfitting (31.2% gap)
- Oval ↔ Round confusion
- Asian faces: +22% error rate

Training Curves



Transfer Learning

Why VGG-16?

- **Pre-trained** on VGGFace dataset (2.6M images)
- **Architecture:**
 - ▶ 16-layer deep CNN
 - ▶ Small 3×3 filters (effective receptive field)
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Key Observations

- reduction in validation loss
- faster convergence

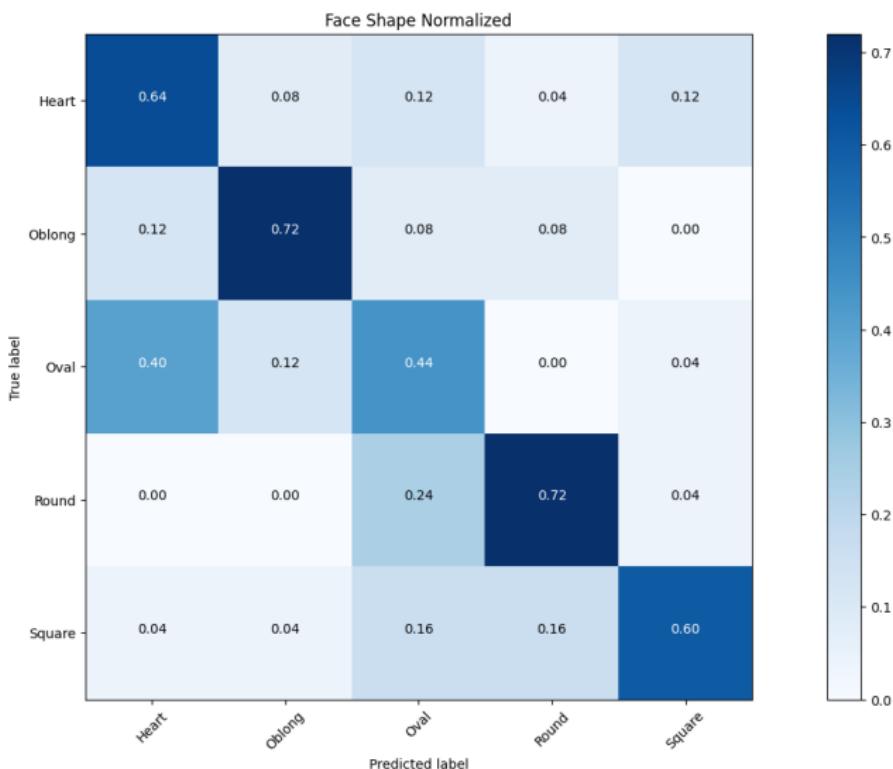


Figure: Confusion Matrix

Predictions

Image	Actual Label	Predicted Label
	Heart	Oval
	Oval	Oval
	Square	Heart
	Round	Round

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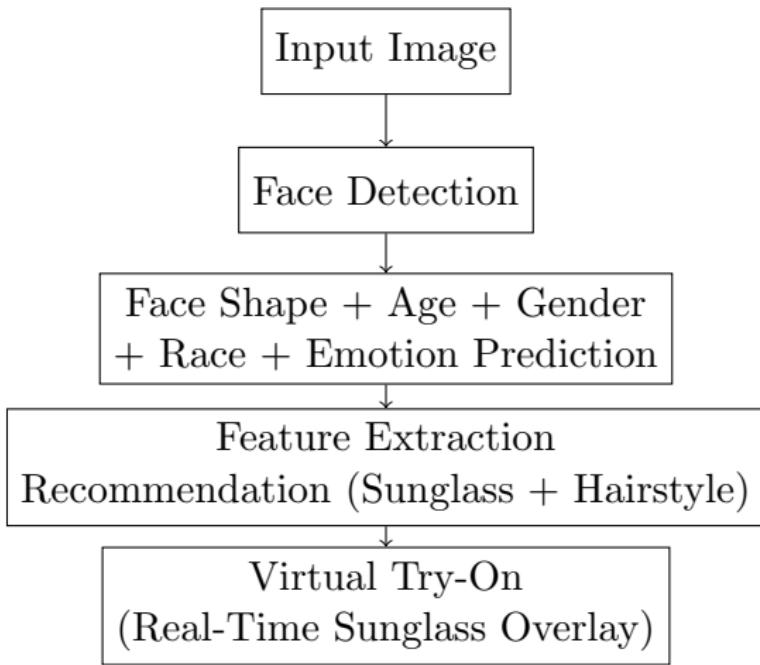
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Workflow

The following flowchart summarizes the overall system workflow:



Spectacle Recommendation

Face Shape	Recommended Sunglasses
Oval	Wayfarer or Clubmaster
Round	Rectangular frames
Square	Round sunglasses
Obong	Oversized square sunglasses
Heart	Cat-eye or Oversized Round

Table: Face Shape and Recommended Styles

Source: Spectacles Recommendation System Based on the Face Shape Using CNN Model, September 2023, (Conference: (NMITCON)) DOI: 10.1109/NMITCON58196.2023.10276139

Detection of Points

- 468 facial landmarks detected using Mediapipe FaceMesh
- Feature extraction from jawline, forehead, and cheekbones
- Lightweight geometric classification
- Faster and suitable for real-time applications

Virtual Try-On Module

- Real-time sunglasses overlay using Mediapipe landmarks
- Detects facial keypoints for smart placement
- Enhances user experience with virtual spectacle trial



Figure: Face Image-
Detected Square



Figure: Transparent
Sunglass PNG



Figure: Try-On Result

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Challenges & Future Work

- Due to low computational resources, we could not use a large dataset (e.g., 1000 images).
- Training the model is slow; running just 1 epoch takes around 1 hour.
- 3D modeling tasks, such as loading .obj files, cause the machine to hang.
- We aim to improve the model's performance despite hardware limitations.
- A comparison was made between:
 - ▶ CNN model trained from scratch
 - ▶ CNN model using transfer learning

Conclusion

- ① Face Detection (Bounding Box)
- ② Image Augmentation with flip & rotation
- ③ Pretrained weights from VGG-Face
- ④ Spectacle Recommendation for different Face shape
- ⑤ Low Accurate Model due to unavailability of Resource

Live Demo

Time for Live Demonstration!

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