# Evaluation of Latent Fingerprint Technology

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## 0.1 Main Page

#### 0.1.1 Overview

This is the API that must be implemented to participate in the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)'s Evaluation of Latent Friction Ridge Technology (ELFT).

## 0.1.2 Implementation

Two pure-virtual (abstract) classes called ELFT::ExtractionInterface and ELFT::SearchInterface have been defined. Participants must implement all methods of both classes in subclasses and submit the implementations in a shared library. The name of the library must follow the requirements outlined in the test plan and be identical to the required information returned from ELFT::ExtractionInterface::getIdentification(). NIST's testing application will link against the submitted library and instantiate instances of the implementations with their respective getImplementation() functions (ELFT::ExtractionInterface::getImplementation()).

#### 0.1.3 Contact

Additional information regarding ELFT can be received by emailing questions to the test liaisons at elft@nist.gov.

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## 0.2 Namespace Documentation

## 0.2.1 ELFT Namespace Reference

#### Classes

• struct ReturnStatus

Information about the result of calling an ELFT API function.

struct Image

Data and metadata for an image.

• struct CreateTemplateResult

Output from extracting features into a template .

struct Coordinate

Pixel location in an image.

• struct Minutia

Friction ridge feature details.

struct Core

Singular point of focus of innermost recurving ridge.

• struct Delta

Singular point of ridge divergence.

• struct Correspondence

Location of identical features from two images.

• struct RidgeQualityRegion

Region defined in a map of ridge quality/confidence.

struct EFS

Collection of ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (Update: 2015) Extended Feature Set fields understood by ELFT.

struct TemplateData

*Information possibly stored in a template.* 

struct Candidate

Elements of a candidate list.

struct SearchResult

The results of a searching a database.

• struct ProductIdentifier

*Identifying details about algorithm components for documentation.* 

EFS processing method codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

• class ExtractionInterface

Interface for feature extraction implemented by participant.

• class SearchInterface

Interface for database search implemented by participant.

#### **Enumerations**

```
• enum class Impression {
  PlainContact = 0, RolledContact = 1, Latent = 4, LiveScanSwipe = 8,
  PlainContactlessStationary = 24, RolledContactlessStationary = 25, Other = 28, Unknown = 29,
  RolledContactlessMoving = 41, PlainContactlessMoving = 42}
     Friction ridge impression types from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

    enum class FrictionRidgeCaptureTechnology {

  Unknown = 0, ScannedInkOnPaper = 2, OpticalTIRBright = 3, OpticalDirect = 5,
  Capacitive = 9, Electroluminescent = 11, LatentImpression = 18, LatentLift = 22}
     Capture device codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
• enum class FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition {
  UnknownFinger = 0, RightThumb = 1, RightIndex = 2, RightMiddle = 3,
  RightRing = 4, RightLittle = 5, LeftThumb = 6, LeftIndex = 7,
  LeftMiddle = 8, LeftRing = 9, LeftLittle = 10, RightExtraDigit = 16,
  LeftExtraDigit = 17, RightFour = 13, LeftFour = 14, RightAndLeftThumbs = 15,
  UnknownPalm = 20, RightFullPalm = 21, RightWritersPalm = 22, LeftFullPalm = 23,
  LeftWritersPalm = 24, RightLowerPalm = 25, RightUpperPalm = 26, LeftLowerPalm = 27,
  LeftUpperPalm = 28, RightPalmOther = 29, LeftPalmOther = 30, RightInterdigital = 31,
  RightThenar = 32, RightHypothenar = 33, LeftInterdigital = 34, LeftThenar = 35,
  LeftHypothenar = 36, RightGrasp = 37, LeftGrasp = 38, RightCarpalDeltaArea = 81,
  LeftCarpalDeltaArea = 82, RightFullPalmAndWritersPalm = 83, LeftFullPalmAndWritersPalm = 80
  84, RightWristBracelet = 85,
  LeftWristBracelet = 86, UnknownFrictionRidge = 18, EJIOrTip = 19}
     Friction positions codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
• enum class ProcessingMethod {
  Indanedione, BlackPowder, Other, Cyanoacrylate,
  Laser, RUVIS, StickysidePowder, Visual,
  WhitePowder }
```

enum class PatternClassification {
 Arch , Whorl , RightLoop , LeftLoop ,
 Amputation , UnableToPrint , Unclassifiable , Scar ,
 DissociatedRidges }

Classification of friction ridge structure.

• enum class ValueAssessment { Value, Limited, NoValue }

EFS value assessment codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

• enum class Substrate {

Paper, PorousOther, Plastic, Glass,

MetalPainted, MetalUnpainted, TapeAdhesiveSide, NonporousOther,

 $PaperGlossy\ , SemiporousOther\ , Other\ , Unknown\ \}$ 

EFS substrate codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

 $\bullet \ \ enum\ class\ Minutia Type\ \{\ Ridge Ending\ ,\ Bifurcation\ ,\ Other\ ,\ Unknown\ \}$ 

Types of minutiae.

• enum class RidgeQuality {

Background = 0 , DebatableRidgeFlow = 1 , DebatableMinutiae = 2 , DefinitiveMinutiae = 3 , DefinitiveRidgeEdges = 4 , DefinitivePores = 5 }

Local ridge quality codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

• enum class TemplateType { Probe , Reference }

Types of templates created by this interface.

#### **Variables**

• uint16\_t API\_MAJOR\_VERSION {1}

API major version number.

• uint16\_t API\_MINOR\_VERSION {1}

API minor version number.

• uint16\_t API\_PATCH\_VERSION {0}

API patch version number.

#### 0.2.1.1 Enumeration Type Documentation

#### **0.2.1.1.1 Impression** enum **ELFT**::Impression [strong]

Friction ridge impression types from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

PlainContact	
RolledContact	
Latent	
LiveScanSwipe	
PlainContactlessStationary	
RolledContactlessStationary	
Other	
Unknown	
RolledContactlessMoving	
PlainContactlessMoving	

Definition at line 48 of file elft.h.

## $\textbf{0.2.1.1.2} \quad FrictionRidge Capture Technology} \quad \text{enum ELFT::} \\ \text{FrictionRidgeCapture Technology} \quad [\text{strong}] \\$

Capture device codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

## Enumerator

Unknown	
ScannedInkOnPaper	
OpticalTIRBright	
OpticalDirect	
Capacitive	
Electroluminescent	
LatentImpression	
LatentLift	

Definition at line 63 of file elft.h.

## 0.2.1.1.3 FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition enum ELFT::FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition [strong]

Friction positions codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

UnknownFinger	
RightThumb	
RightIndex	
RightMiddle	
RightRing	
RightLittle	
LeftThumb	
LeftIndex	
LeftMiddle	
LeftRing	
LeftLittle	
RightExtraDigit	
LeftExtraDigit	
RightFour	
LeftFour	
RightAndLeftThumbs	
UnknownPalm	
RightFullPalm	

## Enumerator

RightWritersPalm	
LeftFullPalm	
LeftWritersPalm	
RightLowerPalm	
RightUpperPalm	
LeftLowerPalm	
LeftUpperPalm	
RightPalmOther	
LeftPalmOther	
RightInterdigital	
RightThenar	
RightHypothenar	
LeftInterdigital	
LeftThenar	
LeftHypothenar	
RightGrasp	
LeftGrasp	
RightCarpalDeltaArea	
LeftCarpalDeltaArea	
RightFullPalmAndWritersPalm	
LeftFullPalmAndWritersPalm	
RightWristBracelet	
LeftWristBracelet	
UnknownFrictionRidge	
EJIOrTip	
·	

Definition at line 77 of file elft.h.

## 0.2.1.1.4 ProcessingMethod enum ELFT::ProcessingMethod [strong]

EFS processing method codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

Indanedione	
BlackPowder	
Other	
Cyanoacrylate	
Laser	
RUVIS	
StickysidePowder	
Visual	
WhitePowder	

Definition at line 128 of file elft.h.

## **0.2.1.1.5** PatternClassification enum ELFT::PatternClassification [strong]

Classification of friction ridge structure.

## Note

These enumerations map to ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 Update:2015's PCT "General Class" codes from Table 44.

#### Enumerator

Arch	
ATCII	
Whorl	
RightLoop	
LeftLoop	
Amputation	
UnableToPrint	
Unclassifiable	
Scar	
DissociatedRidges	

Definition at line 148 of file elft.h.

## 0.2.1.1.6 ValueAssessment enum ELFT::ValueAssessment [strong]

EFS value assessment codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

#### Enumerator

Value	
Limited	
NoValue	

Definition at line 162 of file elft.h.

#### **0.2.1.1.7 Substrate** enum **ELFT::Substrate** [strong]

EFS substrate codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

## Enumerator

Paper	
PorousOther	
Plastic	
Glass	
MetalPainted	
MetalUnpainted	
TapeAdhesiveSide	
NonporousOther	
PaperGlossy	
SemiporousOther	
Other	
Unknown	

Definition at line 170 of file elft.h.

## $\textbf{0.2.1.1.8} \quad Minutia Type \quad \texttt{enum ELFT::MinutiaType} \quad \texttt{[strong]}$

Types of minutiae.

## Enumerator

RidgeEnding	
Bifurcation	
Other	
Unknown	

Definition at line 360 of file elft.h.

## $\textbf{0.2.1.1.9} \quad Ridge Quality \quad \texttt{enum ELFT::RidgeQuality} \quad \texttt{[strong]}$

Local ridge quality codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

Background	No ridge information.
DebatableRidgeFlow	Continuity of ridge flow is uncertain.
DebatableMinutiae	Continuity of ridge flow is certain; minutiae are debatable.
DefinitiveMinutiae	Minutiae and ridge flow are obvious and unambiguous; ridge edges are debatable.
DefinitiveRidgeEdges	Ridge edges, minutiae, and ridge flow are obvious and unambiguous; pores are either debatable or not present.
DefinitivePores	Pores and ridge edges are obvious and unambiguous.

Definition at line 496 of file elft.h.

## **0.2.1.1.10** TemplateType enum ELFT::TemplateType [strong]

Types of templates created by this interface.

#### Enumerator

Probe	Template to be used as probe in a search.
Reference	Template to be added to a reference database.

Definition at line 762 of file elft.h.

#### 0.2.1.2 Variable Documentation

## 0.2.1.2.1 API\_MAJOR\_VERSION uint16\_t ELFT::API\_MAJOR\_VERSION {1}

API major version number.

Definition at line 1403 of file elft.h.

## 0.2.1.2.2 API\_MINOR\_VERSION uint16\_t ELFT::API\_MINOR\_VERSION {1}

API minor version number.

Definition at line 1405 of file elft.h.

## $0.2.1.2.3 \quad API\_PATCH\_VERSION \quad \textit{uint16\_t ELFT::API\_PATCH\_VERSION \{0\}}$

API patch version number.

Definition at line 1407 of file elft.h.

## 0.3 Class Documentation

## 0.3.1 ELFT::Candidate Struct Reference

Elements of a candidate list.

#include <elft.h>

#### **Public Member Functions**

• Candidate (const std::string &identifier={}, const FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition frgp={}, const double similarity={})

Candidate constructor.

- bool operator== (const Candidate &rhs) const
- bool operator!= (const Candidate &rhs) const
- bool operator< (const Candidate &rhs) const
- bool operator<= (const Candidate &rhs) const
- bool operator> (const Candidate &rhs) const
- bool operator>= (const Candidate &rhs) const

#### **Public Attributes**

• std::string identifier {}

*Identifier of the sample in the reference database.* 

• FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition frgp {}

Most localized position in the identifier.

• double similarity {}

Quantification of probe's similarity to reference sample.

#### 0.3.1.1 Detailed Description

Elements of a candidate list.

Definition at line 689 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.1.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### Candidate constructor.

## Parameters

identifier	Identifier of the sample in the reference database.
frgp	Most localized position in the identifier.
similarity	Quantification of probe's similarity to reference sample.

Definition at line 62 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.1.3 Member Function Documentation

Definition at line 74 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 84 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 91 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 115 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 124 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 132 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.1.4 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.1.4.1 identifier std::string ELFT::Candidate::identifier {}
```

Identifier of the sample in the reference database.

Definition at line 692 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.1.4.2 frgp FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition ELFT::Candidate::frgp {}
```

Most localized position in the identifier.

Definition at line 694 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.1.4.3} \quad similarity \quad \texttt{double ELFT::Candidate::similarity \{} \}
```

Quantification of probe's similarity to reference sample.

Definition at line 696 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.2 ELFT::ProductIdentifier::CBEFFIdentifier Struct Reference

CBEFF information registered with and assigned by IBIA.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

## **Public Attributes**

- uint16\_t owner {}
  - CBEFF Product Owner of the product.
- std::optional< uint16\_t > algorithm {}

CBEFF Algorithm Identifier of the product.

## 0.3.2.1 Detailed Description

CBEFF information registered with and assigned by IBIA.

Definition at line 774 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.2.2 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.2.2.1 owner uint16_t ELFT::ProductIdentifier::CBEFFIdentifier::owner {}
```

CBEFF Product Owner of the product.

Definition at line 777 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.2.2.2 algorithm std::optional<uint16_t> ELFT::ProductIdentifier::CBEFFIdentifier::algorithm {}
```

CBEFF Algorithm Identifier of the product.

Definition at line 779 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

## 0.3.3 ELFT::Coordinate Struct Reference

Pixel location in an image.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Member Functions**

- Coordinate (const uint32\_t x={}, const uint32\_t y={}) Coordinate constructor.
- bool operator== (const Coordinate &rhs) const
- bool operator!= (const Coordinate &rhs) const
- bool operator< (const Coordinate &rhs) const
- bool operator<= (const Coordinate &rhs) const
- bool operator> (const Coordinate &rhs) const
- bool operator>= (const Coordinate &rhs) const

#### **Public Attributes**

• uint32\_t x {}

X coordinate in pixels.

• uint32\_t y {}

Y coordinate in pixels.

## 0.3.3.1 Detailed Description

Pixel location in an image.

Definition at line 308 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.3.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

Coordinate constructor.

Parameters

x	X coordinate in pixels.
y	Y coordinate in pixels.

Definition at line 139 of file libelft.cpp.

## 0.3.3.3 Member Function Documentation

Definition at line 149 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 157 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 164 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 185 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 194 of file libelft.cpp.

Definition at line 202 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.3.4 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.3.4.1 \mathbf{x} uint32_t ELFT::Coordinate::x {}
```

X coordinate in pixels.

Definition at line 311 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.3.4.2 y uint32_t ELFT::Coordinate::y {}
```

Y coordinate in pixels.

Definition at line 313 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.4 ELFT::Core Struct Reference

Singular point of focus of innermost recurving ridge.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Member Functions**

Core (const Coordinate &coordinate={}), const std::optional < uint16\_t > &direction={})
 Core constructor.

#### **Public Attributes**

• Coordinate coordinate {}

Location of the feature.

• std::optional < uint16\_t > direction {}

Direction pointing away from the center of the curve, in degrees [0,359] counterclockwise to the right, following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9.320.

## 0.3.4.1 Detailed Description

Singular point of focus of innermost recurving ridge.

Definition at line 400 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.4.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

Core constructor.

#### Parameters

coordinate	Location of the feature.
direction	Direction pointing away from the center of the curve, in degrees [0,359] counterclockwise
	to the right, following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9.320.

Definition at line 233 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.4.3 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.4.3.1 coordinate Coordinate ELFT::Core::coordinate {}
```

Location of the feature.

Definition at line 403 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.4.3.2} \quad direction \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{uint16\_t} > \ \texttt{ELFT::Core::direction} \ \{\}
```

Direction pointing away from the center of the curve, in degrees [0,359] counterclockwise to the right, following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9.320.

Definition at line 409 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.5 ELFT::Correspondence Struct Reference

Location of identical features from two images.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Member Functions**

• Correspondence (const uint8\_t referenceInputIdentifier={}, const Minutia &referenceMinutia={}, const uint8\_t probeInputIdentifier={}, const Minutia &probeMinutia={})

Correspondence constructor.

#### **Public Attributes**

• uint8\_t referenceInputIdentifier {}

Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier for reference.

• Minutia referenceMinutia {}

Location in the reference image of a probe image feature.

• uint8\_t probeInputIdentifier {}

Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier for probe.

• Minutia probeMinutia {}

Location in the probe image of a reference image feature.

#### 0.3.5.1 Detailed Description

Location of identical features from two images.

Definition at line 461 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.5.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

Correspondence constructor.

#### Parameters

referenceInputIdentifier	Er Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier for reference.	
referenceMinutia	Location in the reference image of a probe image feature.	
probeInputIdentifier Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier for pro		
probeMinutia Location in the probe image of a reference image feature		

Definition at line 209 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.5.3 Member Data Documentation

## $\textbf{0.3.5.3.1} \quad \textbf{referenceInputIdentifier} \quad \textbf{uint8\_t} \; \; \texttt{ELFT::Correspondence::referenceInputIdentifier} \; \; \textbf{\{}\}$

Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier for reference.

Definition at line 467 of file elft.h.

#### **0.3.5.3.2** referenceMinutia Minutia ELFT::Correspondence::referenceMinutia {}

Location in the reference image of a probe image feature.

Definition at line 469 of file elft.h.

## **0.3.5.3.3 probeInputIdentifier** uint8\_t ELFT::Correspondence::probeInputIdentifier {}

Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier for probe.

Definition at line 471 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.5.3.4 probeMinutia Minutia ELFT::Correspondence::probeMinutia {}

Location in the probe image of a reference image feature.

Definition at line 473 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.6 ELFT::CreateTemplateResult Struct Reference

Output from extracting features into a template .

#include <elft.h>

#### **Public Attributes**

• ReturnStatus status {}

Result of extracting features and creating a template.

• std::vector< std::byte > data {}

Contents of the template.

#### 0.3.6.1 Detailed Description

Output from extracting features into a template .

Definition at line 299 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.6.2 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.6.2.1 status ReturnStatus ELFT::CreateTemplateResult::status {}
```

Result of extracting features and creating a template.

Definition at line 302 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.6.2.2} \quad data \quad \texttt{std::vector} < \texttt{std::byte} > \texttt{ELFT::CreateTemplateResult::data} \ \{\}
```

Contents of the template.

Definition at line 304 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

## 0.3.7 ELFT::Delta Struct Reference

Singular point of ridge divergence.

#include <elft.h>

#### **Public Member Functions**

Delta (const Coordinate &coordinate={}, const std::optional < std::optional < uint16\_t >, std::optional < uint16\_t >, std::optional < uint16\_t >>> &direction={})

Delta constructor.

#### **Public Attributes**

• Coordinate coordinate {}

Location of the feature.

• std::optional< std::tuple< std::optional< uint16\_t >, std::optional< uint16\_t >, std::optional< uint16\_t >> direction {}

 $Ridge\ directions\ of\ the\ feature\ (typically\ up, left, and\ right), in\ degrees\ [0,359]\ counterclockwise\ to\ the\ right, following\ conventions\ from\ ANSI/NIST-ITL\ 1-2011\ (2015)\ Field\ 9.321.$ 

## 0.3.7.1 Detailed Description

Singular point of ridge divergence.

Definition at line 428 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.7.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

Delta constructor.

#### Parameters

coordinate	Location of the feature.
direction	Ridge directions of the feature (typically up, left, and right), in degrees [0,359] counter-clockwise to the right, following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field
	9.321.

Definition at line 242 of file libelft.cpp.

## 0.3.7.3 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.7.3.1 coordinate Coordinate ELFT::Delta::coordinate {}
```

Location of the feature.

Definition at line 431 of file elft.h.

```
  0.3.7.3.2 \quad direction \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{uint16\_t} >, \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{uint16\_t} >, \quad \texttt{std} ::optional} < \texttt{uint16\_t} >, \quad \texttt{uint
```

Ridge directions of the feature (typically up, left, and right), in degrees [0,359] counterclockwise to the right, following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9.321.

Definition at line 440 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

#### 0.3.8 ELFT::EFS Struct Reference

Collection of ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (Update: 2015) Extended Feature Set fields understood by ELFT. #include <elft.h>

#### **Public Attributes**

uint8\_t identifier {}

An identifier for this set of data.

• uint16\_t ppi {}

Resolution of the image used to derive these features in pixels per inch.

• Impression imp {Impression::Unknown}

*Impression type of the depicted region.* 

• FrictionRidgeCaptureTechnology frct

Capture technology that created this image.

FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition frgp

Description of the depicted region.

• std::optional < int16\_t > orientation {}

Degrees to rotate image upright.

• std::optional < std::vector < ProcessingMethod > > lpm {}

Methods used process the print.

• std::optional < ValueAssessment > valueAssessment {}

Examiner/algorithmic value assessment for identification.

• std::optional < Substrate > lsb {}

Substrate from which the print was developed.

std::optional < PatternClassification > pat {}

Observed pattern classification.

• std::optional < bool > plr {}

*Image* is known to be or may possibly be laterally reversed.

• std::optional < bool > trv {}

Part or all of image is known to be or may possibly be tonally reversed.

std::optional < std::vector < Core > > cores {}

Core locations.

• std::optional < std::vector < Delta > > deltas {}

Delta locations.

• std::optional < std::vector < Minutia > > minutiae {}

Locations of minutiae.

• std::optional < std::vector < Coordinate > > roi {}

Closed convex polygon forming region of interest.

std::optional< std::vector< RidgeQualityRegion > > rqm {}

Assessment of ridge quality within local areas of an image.

#### 0.3.8.1 Detailed Description

Collection of ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (Update: 2015) Extended Feature Set fields understood by ELFT.

Note

All measurements and locations within the image SHALL be expressed in pixels, *not* units of 10 micrometers.

Definition at line 547 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.8.2 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.8.2.1 identifier uint8_t ELFT::EFS::identifier {}
```

An identifier for this set of data.

Used to link EFS to Image, TemplateData, and Correspondence.

Definition at line 553 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.2 ppi uint16_t ELFT::EFS::ppi {}
```

Resolution of the image used to derive these features in pixels per inch.

Definition at line 559 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.3 imp Impression ELFT::EFS::imp {Impression::Unknown}
```

Impression type of the depicted region.

Definition at line 562 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.8.2.4} \quad \textbf{frct} \quad \textbf{FrictionRidgeCaptureTechnology} \; \textbf{ELFT}:: \textbf{EFS}:: \textbf{frct}
```

**Initial value:** 

FrictionRidgeCaptureTechnology::Unknown}

Capture technology that created this image.

Definition at line 564 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.5 frgp FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition ELFT::EFS::frgp
```

**Initial value:** 

FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition::UnknownFrictionRidge}

Description of the depicted region.

Definition at line 567 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.6 orientation std::optional<int16_t> ELFT::EFS::orientation {}
```

Degrees to rotate image upright.

Uncertainty is assumed to be +/-15 degrees.

Definition at line 574 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.7 \quad lpm \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{std::vector} < \texttt{ProcessingMethod} > \\ \texttt{ELFT::EFS::lpm} \ \{\}
```

Methods used process the print.

Definition at line 576 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.8 valueAssessment std::optional<ValueAssessment> ELFT::EFS::valueAssessment {}
```

Examiner/algorithmic value assessment for identification.

Definition at line 578 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.9 \quad lsb \quad \textit{std::optional} < \textit{Substrate} > \; \textit{ELFT::EFS::lsb} \; \{\}
```

Substrate from which the print was developed.

Definition at line 580 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.8.2.10} \quad pat \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{PatternClassification} > \texttt{ELFT::EFS::pat} \ \{\}
```

Observed pattern classification.

Definition at line 582 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.8.2.11} \quad plr \quad \texttt{std::optional<bool> ELFT::EFS::plr \{} \\
```

Image is known to be or may possibly be laterally reversed.

Definition at line 587 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.8.2.12} \quad trv \quad \texttt{std::optional<bool> ELFT::EFS::trv \{} \\
```

Part or all of image is known to be or may possibly be tonally reversed.

Definition at line 592 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.8.2.13} \quad \textbf{cores} \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{std::vector} < \texttt{Core} > \texttt{ELFT::EFS::cores} \; \{\}
```

Core locations.

Coordinate are relative to the bounding rectangle created by roi, if supplied. Otherwise, they are relative to the source image. Add the minimum X and Y values from roi to convert ROI-relative Coordinate to image-relative Coordinate.

Definition at line 604 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.14 deltas std::optional<std::vector<Delta> > ELFT::EFS::deltas {}
```

Delta locations.

Coordinate are relative to the bounding rectangle created by roi, if supplied. Otherwise, they are relative to the source image. Add the minimum X and Y values from roi to convert ROI-relative Coordinate to image-relative Coordinate.

Definition at line 615 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.15 minutiae std::vector<Minutia> > ELFT::EFS::minutiae {}
```

Locations of minutiae.

Coordinate are relative to the bounding rectangle created by roi, if supplied. Otherwise, they are relative to the source image. Add the minimum X and Y values from roi to convert ROI-relative Coordinate to image-relative Coordinate.

Note

NIST **strongly** discourages more than one Minutia at equivalent Coordinate. This can result in ambiguous Correspondence.

Definition at line 631 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.16 roi std::optional<std::vector<Coordinate> > ELFT::EFS::roi {}
```

Closed convex polygon forming region of interest.

When specified, Coordinate in EFS are relative to the bounding rectangle created here. Otherwise, they are relative to the source image. Add the minimum X and Y values here to convert ROI-relative Coordinate to image-relative Coordinate.

Definition at line 643 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.8.2.17 rqm std::optional<std::vector<RidgeQualityRegion> > ELFT::EFS::rqm {}
```

Assessment of ridge quality within local areas of an image.

Coordinate are relative to the bounding rectangle created by roi, if supplied. Otherwise, they are relative to the source image. Add the minimum X and Y values from roi to convert ROI-relative Coordinate to image-relative Coordinate.

Note

If populated, regions not explicitly defined will default to RidgeQuality::Background.

Definition at line 659 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

#### 0.3.9 ELFT::ExtractionInterface Class Reference

Interface for feature extraction implemented by participant.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### Classes

• struct SubmissionIdentification

Identifying information about this submission that will be included in reports.

#### **Public Member Functions**

- virtual SubmissionIdentification getIdentification () const =0
  - Obtain identification and version information for the extraction portion of this submission.
- virtual CreateTemplateResult createTemplate (const TemplateType templateType, const std::string &identifier, const std::vector< std::tuple< std::optional< Image >, std::optional< EFS >>> &samples) const =0

Extract features from one or more images and encode them into a template.

- virtual CreateTemplateResult mergeTemplates (const std::vector< std::vector< std::byte >> &templates) const =0

Merge multiple templates into a single template.

virtual ReturnStatus createReferenceDatabase (const std::vector< std::vector< std::byte >> &referenceTemplates, const std::filesystem::path &databaseDirectory, const uint64\_t maxSize)
 const =0

Create a reference database on the filesystem.

- ExtractionInterface ()
- virtual ~ExtractionInterface ()

#### **Static Public Member Functions**

• static std::shared\_ptr< ExtractionInterface > getImplementation (const std::filesystem::path &configurationDirectory)

Obtain a managed pointer to an object implementing ExtractionInterface.

### 0.3.9.1 Detailed Description

Interface for feature extraction implemented by participant.

Definition at line 792 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.9.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

0.3.9.2.1 ExtractionInterface() ELFT::ExtractionInterface::ExtractionInterface () [default]

 $\textbf{0.3.9.2.2} \quad \sim ExtractionInterface() \quad \texttt{ELFT::ExtractionInterface::} \sim \texttt{ExtractionInterface} \ (\ ) \quad \texttt{[virtual], [default]}$ 

#### 0.3.9.3 Member Function Documentation

```
0.3.9.3.1 getIdentification() virtual SubmissionIdentification ELFT::ExtractionInterface::getIdentification () const [pure virtual]
```

Obtain identification and version information for the extraction portion of this submission.

#### Returns

SubmissionIdentification populated with information used to identify the feature extraction algorithms in reports.

#### Note

This method shall return instantly.

Extract features from one or more images and encode them into a template.

#### **Parameters**

templateType	Where this template will be used in the future.
identifier	Unique identifier used to identify the returned template in future <i>search</i> operations (e.g., Candidate::identifier).
samples	One or more biometric samples to be considered and encoded into a template.

#### Returns

A single CreateTemplateResult, which contains information about the result of the operation and a single template.

#### Note

This method must return in  $\leq N * M$  seconds for each element of samples, on average, as measured on a fixed subset of data, where

- N
- 20.0 for latent images
- 5.0 for exemplar images
- 2.5 for feature sets
- M
  - 1 for single fingers
  - 2 for two-finger simultaneous captures
  - 4 for four-finger simultaneous captures
  - 8 for upper palm, lower palm, and all other palm/joint regions except full palm

### - 16 for full palm

If samples contained RightThumb, LeftFour, and EJIOrTip, the time requirement would be  $\leq ((5 * 1) + (5 * 4) + (5 * 8))$  seconds.

The value of the returned CreateTemplateResult::data will only be recorded if CreateTemplateResult's ReturnStatus::result is ReturnStatus::Result::Success. On ReturnStatus::Result::Failure, subsequent searches will automatically increase false negative identification rate.

Extract information contained within a template.

#### **Parameters**

templateType	templateType passed to createTemplate().
templateResult	Object returned from createTemplate() or mergeTemplates().

#### Returns

A optional with no value if not implemented, or a ReturnStatus and one or more TemplateData describing the contents of CreateTemplateResult::data from templateResult otherwise. If CreateTemplateResult::data contains information separated by position (e.g., when provided a multi-position image) or multiple views of the same image (e.g., a compact and verbose template), there may be multiple TemplateData returned.

#### Note

You must implement this method to compile, but providing the requested information is optional. If provided, information may help in debugging as well as inform future NIST analysis.

You should not return information that was provided in createTemplate(). For instance, if Minutia was provided, EFS::minutiae should be left std::nullopt. However, if you discovered different Minutia, they should be returned.

The ReturnStatus member of CreateTemplateResult is not guaranteed to be populated with ReturnStatus::message and should not be consulted.

This method shall return in <= 500 milliseconds.

```
0.3.9.3.4 mergeTemplates() virtual CreateTemplateResult ELFT::ExtractionInterface::mergeTemplates (
const std::vector< std::vector< std::byte >> & templates ) const [pure virtual]
```

Merge multiple templates into a single template.

This method is necessary because more than one set of samples for a given identifier may have been provided to createTemplate().

## Parameters

templates	One or more template returned from createTemplate() that should be merged into a single
	template.

#### Returns

A single CreateTemplateResult that can accurately represent identifier in future operations.

#### Note

The merged template does not need to include all information. For instance, if two reference templates are provided, each derived from an identification flat capture, and an internal heuristic deems one set of samples to be of significantly lower quality, a reasonable result would be for this method to return the template from the higher quality set of samples without modification.

The contents of templates may be the result of previous calls to mergeTemplates().

Identifiers and template types should be stored within the template data itself and so are not provided as input.

This method shall return in  $\leq 10 * templates.size()$  milliseconds.

The value of the returned CreateTemplateResult::data will only be recorded if CreateTemplateResult's ReturnStatus::result is ReturnStatus::Result::Success. On ReturnStatus::Result::Failure, subsequent searches will automatically increase false negative identification rate.

#### See also

SearchInterface::insert.

Create a reference database on the filesystem.

#### **Parameters**

referenceTemplates	One or more templates returned from createTemplate() or mergeTemplates() with a templateType of TemplateType::Reference.
databaseDirectory	Entry to a read/write directory where the reference database shall be written.
maxSize	The maximum number of bytes of storage available to write.

#### Returns

Information about the result of executing the method.

#### Note

This method may use more than one thread.

This method must return in  $\leq 10 * referenceTemplates.size()$  milliseconds.

Obtain a managed pointer to an object implementing ExtractionInterface.

#### **Parameters**

configurationDirectory	Read-only directory populated with configuration files provided in valida-
	tion.

#### Returns

Shared pointer to an instance of ExtractionInterface containing the participant's code to perform extraction operations.

#### Note

A possible implementation might be: return (std::make\_shared<ExtractionImplementation>(configurationDirectory));

This method shall return in <= 5 seconds.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.10 ELFT::Image Struct Reference

Data and metadata for an image.

#include <elft.h>

#### **Public Member Functions**

- Image ()
- Image (const uint8\_t identifier, const uint16\_t width, const uint16\_t height, const uint16\_t ppi, const uint8\_t bpc, const uint8\_t bpp, const std::vector< std::byte > &pixels)

Image constructor.

#### **Public Attributes**

```
• uint8_t identifier {}

An identifier for this image.
```

• uint16\_t width {}

Width of the image.

• uint16\_t height {}

Height of the image.

• uint16\_t ppi {}

Resolution of the image in pixels per inch.

• uint8\_t bpc {}

Number of bits used by each color component (8 or 16).

• uint8\_t bpp {}

Number of bits comprising a single pixel (8, 16, 24, or 48).

• std::vector< std::byte > pixels {}

Raw pixel data of image.

## 0.3.10.1 Detailed Description

Data and metadata for an image.

Definition at line 219 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.10.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

## Image constructor.

### Parameters

identifier	An identifier for this image. Used to link Image to TemplateData and Correspondence.
width	Width of the image in pixels.
height	Height of the image in pixels.
ppi	Resolution of the image in pixels per inch.
bpc	Number of bits used by each color component (8 or 16).
Genelappa by Dolyumbori of, buts comprising a single pixel (8, 16, 24, or 48).	
pixels	width * height * (bpp / bpc) bytes of image data, with pixels.front() representing the first byte of the top-left pixel, and pixels.back() representing the last byte of bottom-right pixel. It is decompressed big endian image data, canonically coded as defined in ISO/IEC

Note

Number of color components is bpp / bpc and shall be either 1 (grayscale) or 3 (RGB).

Definition at line 35 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.10.3 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.10.3.1 identifier uint8_t ELFT::Image::identifier {}
```

An identifier for this image.

Used to link Image to EFS, TemplateData, and Correspondence.

Definition at line 266 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.10.3.2 \quad width \quad \texttt{uint16\_t ELFT::Image::width } \{\}
```

Width of the image.

Definition at line 268 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.10.3.3 height uint16_t ELFT::Image::height {}
```

Height of the image.

Definition at line 270 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.10.3.4 ppi uint16_t ELFT::Image::ppi {}
```

Resolution of the image in pixels per inch.

Definition at line 272 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.10.3.5 bpc uint8_t ELFT::Image::bpc {}
```

Number of bits used by each color component (8 or 16).

Definition at line 274 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.10.3.6 bpp uint8_t ELFT::Image::bpp {}
```

Number of bits comprising a single pixel (8, 16, 24, or 48).

Definition at line 279 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.10.3.7 pixels std::vector<std::byte> ELFT::Image::pixels {}
```

Raw pixel data of image.

width \* height \* (bpp / bpc) bytes of image data, with pixels.front() representing the first byte of the top-left pixel, and pixels.back() representing the last byte of bottom-right pixel. It is decompressed little endian image data, canonically coded as defined in ISO/IEC 19794-4:2005,

Note

To pass pixels to a C-style array, invoke pixel's data() method (pixels.data()).

Definition at line 295 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

# 0.3.11 ELFT::Minutia Struct Reference

Friction ridge feature details.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Member Functions**

• Minutia (const Coordinate &coordinate={}, const uint16\_t theta={}, const MinutiaType type=MinutiaType::Unknown)

Minutia constructor.

## **Public Attributes**

Coordinate coordinate {}

Location of the feature.

uint16\_t theta {}

Ridge direction of the feature, in degrees [0,359], following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9 331

• MinutiaType type {MinutiaType::Unknown}

Type of feature.

# 0.3.11.1 Detailed Description

Friction ridge feature details.

Definition at line 369 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.11.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### Minutia constructor.

#### **Parameters**

coordinate	Location of the feature.
theta	Ridge direction of the feature, in degrees [0,359], following conventions from ANSI/← NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9.331.
type	Type of feature.

Definition at line 222 of file libelft.cpp.

## 0.3.11.3 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.11.3.1 coordinate Coordinate ELFT::Minutia::coordinate {}
```

Location of the feature.

Definition at line 372 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.11.3.2 theta uint16_t ELFT::Minutia::theta {}
```

Ridge direction of the feature, in degrees [0,359], following conventions from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015) Field 9.331.

Definition at line 377 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.11.3.3 type MinutiaType ELFT::Minutia::type {MinutiaType::Unknown}
```

Type of feature.

Definition at line 379 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.12 ELFT::ProductIdentifier Struct Reference

Identifying details about algorithm components for documentation.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### Classes

• struct CBEFFIdentifier

CBEFF information registered with and assigned by IBIA.

#### **Public Attributes**

- std::optional < std::string > marketing {}
   Non-infringing marketing name of the product.
- std::optional < CBEFFIdentifier > cbeff {} CBEFF information about the product.

# 0.3.12.1 Detailed Description

Identifying details about algorithm components for documentation.

Definition at line 771 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.12.2 Member Data Documentation

```
\textbf{0.3.12.2.1} \quad marketing \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{std::string} > \ \texttt{ELFT::ProductIdentifier::marketing} \ \ \{\}
```

Non-infringing marketing name of the product.

Case sensitive. Must match the regular expression [[:graph:]]\*.

Definition at line 786 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.12.2.2 cbeff std::optional<CBEFFIdentifier> ELFT::ProductIdentifier::cbeff {}
```

CBEFF information about the product.

Definition at line 788 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

## 0.3.13 ELFT::ReturnStatus Struct Reference

Information about the result of calling an ELFT API function.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

# **Public Types**

• enum class Result { Success = 0 , Failure }

Possible outcomes when performing operations.

# **Public Member Functions**

• operator bool () const noexcept

## **Public Attributes**

• Result result {}

The result of the operation.

• std::optional < std::string > message {}

Information about the result.

# 0.3.13.1 Detailed Description

Information about the result of calling an ELFT API function.

Definition at line 190 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.13.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

## **0.3.13.2.1** Result enum ELFT::ReturnStatus::Result [strong]

Possible outcomes when performing operations.

## Enumerator

Success	Successfully performed operation.
Failure	Failed to perform operation.

Definition at line 193 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.13.3 Member Function Documentation

```
0.3.13.3.1 operator bool() ELFT::ReturnStatus::operator bool ( ) const [explicit], [noexcept]
```

#### Returns

true if result is Result::Success, false otherwise.

Definition at line 54 of file libelft.cpp.

#### 0.3.13.4 Member Data Documentation

```
\textbf{0.3.13.4.1} \quad \textbf{result} \quad \texttt{Result} \; \texttt{ELFT::ReturnStatus::result} \; \{\}
```

The result of the operation.

Definition at line 202 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.13.4.2 message std::optional<std::string> ELFT::ReturnStatus::message {}
```

Information about the result.

Must match the regular expression [[:graph:] ]\*.

Definition at line 207 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

# 0.3.14 ELFT::RidgeQualityRegion Struct Reference

Region defined in a map of ridge quality/confidence.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Attributes**

- std::vector < Coordinate > region {}
   Closed convex polygon whose contents is quality.
- RidgeQuality quality {RidgeQuality::Background}

Clarity of ridge features enclosed within region.

## 0.3.14.1 Detailed Description

Region defined in a map of ridge quality/confidence.

Definition at line 522 of file elft.h.

#### 0.3.14.2 Member Data Documentation

```
0.3.14.2.1 region std::vector<Coordinate> ELFT::RidgeQualityRegion::region {}
```

Closed convex polygon whose contents is quality.

Coordinate are relative to the bounding rectangle created by EFS::roi, if supplied. Otherwise, they are relative to the source image. Add the minimum X and Y values from EFS::roi to convert ROI-relative Coordinate to image-relative Coordinate.

Definition at line 534 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.14.2.2 quality RidgeQuality ELFT::RidgeQualityRegion::quality {RidgeQuality::Background}
```

Clarity of ridge features enclosed within region.

Definition at line 536 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

## 0.3.15 ELFT::SearchInterface Class Reference

Interface for database search implemented by participant.

#include <elft.h>

## **Public Member Functions**

• virtual std::optional < ProductIdentifier > getIdentification () const =0

Obtain identification and version information for the search portion of this submission.

• virtual std::tuple < ReturnStatus, bool > exists (const std::string &identifier) const =0

Determine if an identifier is in the reference database.

- virtual ReturnStatus insert (const std::vector < std::byte > &referenceTemplate)=0 *Insert or update an identifier in a loaded reference database.*
- virtual ReturnStatus remove (const std::string &identifier)=0

Remove an identifier from a loaded reference database.

• virtual SearchResult search (const std::vector< std::byte > &probeTemplate, const uint16\_t max← Candidates) const =0

*Search the reference database for the samples represented in* probeTemplate.

virtual std::optional< std::tuple< ReturnStatus, std::vector< std::vector< Correspondence >> > extractCorrespondence (const std::vector< std::byte > &probeTemplate, const SearchResult &searchResult) const =0

Extract pairs of corresponding minutiae between probe template and reference template.

- SearchInterface ()
- virtual ~SearchInterface ()

## **Static Public Member Functions**

• static std::shared\_ptr< SearchInterface > getImplementation (const std::filesystem::path &configurationDirectory, const std::filesystem::path &databaseDirectory)

Obtain a managed pointer to an object implementing SearchInterface.

## 0.3.15.1 Detailed Description

Interface for database search implemented by participant.

Definition at line 1108 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.15.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

**0.3.15.2.1 SearchInterface()** ELFT::SearchInterface::SearchInterface ( ) [default]

 $\textbf{0.3.15.2.2} \quad \sim Search Interface \textbf{()} \quad \texttt{ELFT::SearchInterface::} \sim Search Interface \textbf{()} \quad \texttt{[virtual], [default]}$ 

## 0.3.15.3 Member Function Documentation

```
0.3.15.3.1 getIdentification() virtual std::optional<ProductIdentifier> ELFT::SearchInterface::get← Identification ( ) const [pure virtual]
```

Obtain identification and version information for the search portion of this submission.

#### Returns

ProductIdentifier populated with information used to identify the search algorithm in reports.

#### Note

The reference database may be stored on a read-only file system when this method is called. Do not attempt to modify the reference database here.

This method shall return instantly.

```
0.3.15.3.2 exists() virtual std::tuple<ReturnStatus, bool> ELFT::SearchInterface::exists ( const std::string & identifier ) const [pure virtual]
```

Determine if an identifier is in the reference database.

## **Parameters**

```
identifier | Identifier to check.
```

## Returns

A tuple whose first member is the result of executing the operation, and whose second member is true if identifier is represented in the reference database, and false otherwise.

## Note

This method must return in <= 5 seconds.

The reference database may be stored on a read-only file system when this method is called. Do not attempt to modify the reference database here.

This method need not be threadsafe. It may use more than one thread.

Insert or update an identifier in a loaded reference database.

This method should limit the amount of I/O and processing necessary, as indicated by the runtime limitation noted below.

#### **Parameters**

referenceTemplate	A template returned from ExtractionInterface::createTemplate() with a template ↔	1
	Type of TemplateType::Reference.	

#### Returns

Information about the result of executing the method.

#### Note

If the identifier encoded within the template already exists in the enrollment database, this method should "merge" data that already exists in the database with referenceTemplate (perhaps with ExtractionInterface::mergeTemplates()) before replacing the entry in the database.

This method must return in  $\leq 5$  seconds.

This change shall persist in the reference database on disk.

This method need not be threadsafe. It may use more than one thread.

```
0.3.15.3.4 remove() virtual ReturnStatus ELFT::SearchInterface::remove ( const std::string & identifier ) [pure virtual]
```

Remove an identifier from a loaded reference database.

This method should limit the amount of I/O and processing necessary, as indicated by the runtime limitation noted below.

#### **Parameters**

identifier	Identifier to remove.
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#### Returns

Information about the result of executing the method.

## Note

This method must return in  $\leq 5$  seconds.

This change shall persist in the reference database on disk.

This method need not be threadsafe. It may use more than one thread.

Search the reference database for the samples represented in probeTemplate.

#### **Parameters**

probeTemplate	Object returned from createTemplate() or mergeTemplates() with templateType of TemplateType::Probe.
maxCandidates	The maximum number of Candidate to return.

#### Returns

A SearchResult object containing information on if this task was able to be completed and a list of less than or equal to maxCandidates Candidate.

#### Note

SearchResult.candidateList will be sorted by descending similarity upon return from this method using std::stable\_sort().

If provided a probe template that contains comes from multiple regions, Candidate.frgp will be ignored.

Candidate.frgp shall be the most localized region where the match was made to be considered as correct as possible. See the test plan for more information.

The reference database may be stored on a read-only file system when this method is called. Do not attempt to modify the reference database here.

This method must return in  $\leq 10 *$  number of database identifiers milliseconds, on average, as measured on a fixed subset of data.

Extract pairs of corresponding minutiae between probe template and reference template.

#### Parameters

probeTemplate	Probe template sent to searchReferences().
searchResult	Object returned from searchReferences().

# Returns

An optional with no value if not implement, or a ReturnStatus and a vector the length of search← Result.candidateList.size(), where each entry is the collection of corresponding minutiae points between probeTemplate and the reference template of the Candidate at the same position as searchResult's SearchResult.candidateList otherwise.

#### Note

ELFT::Minutia must align with minutiae returned from ExtractionInterface::extractTemplateData() for the given identifier + position pair.

You must implement this method to compile, but providing the requested information is optional. If provided, information may help in debugging, as well as informing future NIST analysis.

searchResult is **not guaranteed** to be the identical object returned from search(). Specifically, ordering of searchResult.candidateList may have changed (e.g., sorted by descending similarity) and the ReturnStatus member is not guaranteed to populated with ReturnStatus::message.

The reference database may be stored on a read-only file system when this method is called. Do not attempt to modify the reference database here.

This method shall return in  $\leq 5$  seconds.

Obtain a managed pointer to an object implementing SearchInterface.

#### **Parameters**

configurationDirectory	Read-only directory populated with configuration files provided in valida-					
	tion.					
databaseDirectory	Directory	populated	with	files	written	in
		rface::createRefe modified by son::remove().		•	•	

## Returns

Shared pointer to an instance of SearchInterface containing the participant's code to perform search operations.

#### Note

The path pointed to by databaseDirectory will be stored on a writable file system during calls to SearchImplementation::remove(), but on a read-only filesystem during all other SearchImplementation methods. This means you should not attempt to modify the reference database unless explicitly asked to.

A possible implementation might be: return (std::make\_shared<SearchImplementation>(configurationDirectory, databaseDirectory));

This method shall return in  $\leq 5$  seconds.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

## 0.3.16 ELFT::SearchResult Struct Reference

The results of a searching a database.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Attributes**

• ReturnStatus status {}

Status of searching reference database and assembling candidate list.

• bool decision {}

Best guess on if candidateList contains an identification.

• std::vector < Candidate > candidateList {}

List of Candidate most similar to the probe.

## 0.3.16.1 Detailed Description

The results of a searching a database.

Definition at line 746 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.16.2 Member Data Documentation

```
\textbf{0.3.16.2.1} \quad \textbf{status} \quad \textbf{ReturnStatus} \; \; \textbf{ELFT::SearchResult::status} \; \{\}
```

Status of searching reference database and assembling candidate list.

Definition at line 752 of file elft.h.

```
\textbf{0.3.16.2.2} \quad decision \quad \texttt{bool ELFT::SearchResult::decision \{} \}
```

Best guess on if candidateList contains an identification.

Definition at line 756 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.16.2.3 candidateList std::vector<Candidate> ELFT::SearchResult::candidateList {}
```

List of Candidate most similar to the probe.

Definition at line 758 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

# 0.3.17 ELFT::ExtractionInterface::SubmissionIdentification Struct Reference

Identifying information about this submission that will be included in reports.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Member Functions**

- SubmissionIdentification ()
- SubmissionIdentification (const uint16\_t versionNumber, const std::string &libraryIdentifier, const std::optional < ProductIdentifier > &exemplarAlgorithmIdentifier={}), const std::optional < ProductIdentifier > &latentAlgorithmIdentifier={})

SubmissionIdentification constructor.

# **Public Attributes**

uint16\_t versionNumber {}

Version number of this submission.

• std::string libraryIdentifier {}

Non-infringing identifier of this submission.

- std::optional < ProductIdentifier > exemplarAlgorithmIdentifier {}
  - Information about the exemplar feature extraction algorithm in this submission.
- std::optional < ProductIdentifier > latentAlgorithmIdentifier {}

Information about the latent feature extraction algorithm in this submission.

#### 0.3.17.1 Detailed Description

Identifying information about this submission that will be included in reports.

Definition at line 799 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.17.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

```
0.3.17.2.1 SubmissionIdentification() [1/2] ELFT::ExtractionInterface::SubmissionIdentification::Submission← Identification ( ) [default]
```

SubmissionIdentification constructor.

#### Parameters

versionNumber	Version number of this submission. Required to be unique for each new submission.
libraryIdentifier	Non-infringing identifier of this submission. Should be the same for all submissions. Case sensitive. Must match the regular expression [:alnum:]+.
exemplarAlgorithmIdentifier	Information about the exemplar feature extraction algorithm in this submission.
latentAlgorithmIdentifier	Information about the latent feature extraction algorithm in this submission.

#### Note

The name of the core library submitted for evaluation shall be "libelft\_libraryIdentifier>\_← <versionNumber (capital hex)>.so". Refer to the test plan for more information.

Definition at line 18 of file libelft.cpp.

## 0.3.17.3 Member Data Documentation

 $\textbf{0.3.17.3.1} \quad version Number \quad \textit{uint16\_t} \; \; \textit{ELFT::ExtractionInterface::SubmissionIdentification::versionNumber} \; \; \{\} \\$ 

Version number of this submission.

Required to be unique for each new submission.

Definition at line 840 of file elft.h.

Non-infringing identifier of this submission.

Should be the same for all submissions from an organization. Case sensitive. Must match the regular expression [:alnum:]+.

Definition at line 847 of file elft.h.

**0.3.17.3.3 exemplarAlgorithmIdentifier** std::optional<ProductIdentifier> ELFT::ExtractionInterface::←
SubmissionIdentification::exemplarAlgorithmIdentifier {}

Information about the exemplar feature extraction algorithm in this submission.

Definition at line 854 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.17.3.4 latentAlgorithmIdentifier std::optional<ProductIdentifier> ELFT::ExtractionInterface::←
SubmissionIdentification::latentAlgorithmIdentifier {}
```

Information about the latent feature extraction algorithm in this submission.

Definition at line 860 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following files:

- elft.h
- libelft.cpp

# 0.3.18 ELFT::TemplateData Struct Reference

Information possibly stored in a template.

```
#include <elft.h>
```

#### **Public Attributes**

• std::string candidateIdentifier {}

Candidate identifier provided in ExtractionInterface::createTemplate().

• uint8\_t inputIdentifier {}

Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier.

• std::optional < EFS > efs {}

Extended feature set data.

• std::optional < uint8\_t > imageQuality {}

Quality of the image, [0-100].

## 0.3.18.1 Detailed Description

Information possibly stored in a template.

Note

If provided a multi-position image and applicable to the feature extraction algorithm, roi should be populated with segmentation coordinates and frgp should be set for each position.

Definition at line 670 of file elft.h.

## 0.3.18.2 Member Data Documentation

```
\textbf{0.3.18.2.1} \quad \textbf{candidateIdentifier} \quad \texttt{std::string} \ \texttt{ELFT::TemplateData::candidateIdentifier} \quad \texttt{\{}\}
```

Candidate identifier provided in ExtractionInterface::createTemplate().

Definition at line 676 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.18.2.2 inputIdentifier uint8_t ELFT::TemplateData::inputIdentifier {}
```

Link to Image::identifier and/or EFS::identifier.

Definition at line 679 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.18.2.3 \quad efs \quad \texttt{std::optional} < \texttt{EFS} > \texttt{ELFT::TemplateData::efs} \ \{\}
```

Extended feature set data.

Definition at line 682 of file elft.h.

```
0.3.18.2.4 imageQuality std::optional<uint8_t> ELFT::TemplateData::imageQuality {}
```

Quality of the image, [0-100].

Definition at line 685 of file elft.h.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• elft.h

## 0.4 File Documentation

## 0.4.1 elft.h File Reference

```
#include <cstddef>
#include <cstdint>
#include <filesystem>
#include <memory>
#include <optional>
#include <string>
#include <tuple>
#include <vector>
```

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#### Classes

• struct ELFT::ReturnStatus

Information about the result of calling an ELFT API function.

struct ELFT::Image

Data and metadata for an image.

• struct ELFT::CreateTemplateResult

Output from extracting features into a template.

• struct ELFT::Coordinate

Pixel location in an image.

• struct ELFT::Minutia

Friction ridge feature details.

struct ELFT::Core

Singular point of focus of innermost recurving ridge.

• struct ELFT::Delta

Singular point of ridge divergence.

• struct ELFT::Correspondence

Location of identical features from two images.

• struct ELFT::RidgeQualityRegion

Region defined in a map of ridge quality/confidence.

struct ELFT::EFS

Collection of ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (Update: 2015) Extended Feature Set fields understood by ELFT.

• struct ELFT::TemplateData

*Information possibly stored in a template.* 

• struct ELFT::Candidate

Elements of a candidate list.

struct ELFT::SearchResult

The results of a searching a database.

struct ELFT::ProductIdentifier

Identifying details about algorithm components for documentation.

struct ELFT::ProductIdentifier::CBEFFIdentifier

CBEFF information registered with and assigned by IBIA.

• class ELFT::ExtractionInterface

Interface for feature extraction implemented by participant.

• struct ELFT::ExtractionInterface::SubmissionIdentification

Identifying information about this submission that will be included in reports.

• class ELFT::SearchInterface

Interface for database search implemented by participant.

# Namespaces

ELFT

#### **Enumerations**

```
• enum class ELFT::Impression {
   ELFT::PlainContact = 0, ELFT::RolledContact = 1, ELFT::Latent = 4, ELFT::LiveScanSwipe = 8,
   ELFT::PlainContactlessStationary = 24, ELFT::RolledContactlessStationary = 25, ELFT::Other = 28
   , ELFT::Unknown = 29,
   ELFT::RolledContactlessMoving = 41, ELFT::PlainContactlessMoving = 42}
        Friction ridge impression types from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).

    enum class ELFT::FrictionRidgeCaptureTechnology {

   ELFT::Unknown = 0 , ELFT::ScannedInkOnPaper = 2 , ELFT::OpticalTIRBright = 3 ,
   ELFT::OpticalDirect = 5,
   ELFT::Capacitive = 9 , ELFT::Electroluminescent = 11 , ELFT::LatentImpression = 18 ,
   ELFT::LatentLift = 22 }
        Capture device codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
• enum class ELFT::FrictionRidgeGeneralizedPosition {
   ELFT::UnknownFinger = 0, ELFT::RightThumb = 1, ELFT::RightIndex = 2, ELFT::RightMiddle =
   ELFT::RightRing = 4, ELFT::RightLittle = 5, ELFT::LeftThumb = 6, ELFT::LeftIndex = 7,
   ELFT::LeftMiddle = 8, ELFT::LeftRing = 9, ELFT::LeftLittle = 10, ELFT::RightExtraDigit = 16,
   ELFT::LeftExtraDigit = 17, ELFT::RightFour = 13, ELFT::LeftFour = 14, ELFT::RightAndLeftThumbs
   ELFT::UnknownPalm = 20 , ELFT::RightFullPalm = 21 , ELFT::RightWritersPalm = 22 ,
   ELFT::LeftFullPalm = 23,
   ELFT::LeftWritersPalm = 24 , ELFT::RightLowerPalm = 25 , ELFT::RightUpperPalm = 26 ,
   ELFT::LeftLowerPalm = 27,
   ELFT::LeftUpperPalm = 28, ELFT::RightPalmOther = 29, ELFT::LeftPalmOther = 30,
   ELFT::RightInterdigital = 31,
   ELFT::RightThenar = 32 , ELFT::RightHypothenar = 33 , ELFT::LeftInterdigital = 34 ,
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   ELFT::LeftCarpalDeltaArea = 82, ELFT::RightFullPalmAndWritersPalm = 83, ELFT::LeftFullPalmAndWritersPalm = 80, ELFT::LeftFullPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalmAndWritersPalm
   = 84, ELFT::RightWristBracelet = 85,
   ELFT::LeftWristBracelet = 86, ELFT::UnknownFrictionRidge = 18, ELFT::EJIOrTip = 19}
        Friction positions codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
• enum class ELFT::ProcessingMethod {
   ELFT::Indanedione, ELFT::BlackPowder, ELFT::Other, ELFT::Cyanoacrylate,
   ELFT::Laser, ELFT::RUVIS, ELFT::StickysidePowder, ELFT::Visual,
   ELFT::WhitePowder }
        EFS processing method codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
• enum class ELFT::PatternClassification {
   ELFT::Arch, ELFT::Whorl, ELFT::RightLoop, ELFT::LeftLoop,
   ELFT::Amputation, ELFT::UnableToPrint, ELFT::Unclassifiable, ELFT::Scar,
   ELFT::DissociatedRidges }
        Classification of friction ridge structure.

    enum class ELFT::ValueAssessment { ELFT::Value , ELFT::Limited , ELFT::NoValue }

        EFS value assessment codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
enum class ELFT::Substrate {
   ELFT::Paper, ELFT::PorousOther, ELFT::Plastic, ELFT::Glass,
   ELFT::MetalPainted, ELFT::MetalUnpainted, ELFT::TapeAdhesiveSide, ELFT::NonporousOther,
   ELFT::PaperGlossy, ELFT::SemiporousOther, ELFT::Other, ELFT::Unknown}
        EFS substrate codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
• enum class ELFT::MinutiaType { ELFT::RidgeEnding , ELFT::Bifurcation , ELFT::Other ,
   ELFT::Unknown }
        Types of minutiae.
```

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```
    enum class ELFT::RidgeQuality {
        ELFT::Background = 0 , ELFT::DebatableRidgeFlow = 1 , ELFT::DebatableMinutiae = 2 ,
        ELFT::DefinitiveMinutiae = 3 ,
        ELFT::DefinitiveRidgeEdges = 4 , ELFT::DefinitivePores = 5 }
        Local ridge quality codes from ANSI/NIST-ITL 1-2011 (2015).
    enum class ELFT::TemplateType { ELFT::Probe , ELFT::Reference }
        Types of templates created by this interface.
```

## Variables

- uint16\_t ELFT::API\_MAJOR\_VERSION {1}
   API major version number.
   uint16\_t ELFT::API\_MINOR\_VERSION {1}
   API minor version number.
- uint16\_t ELFT::API\_PATCH\_VERSION {0} API patch version number.

# 0.4.2 libelft.cpp File Reference

#include <elft.h>

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