# Recent Progress of Iris Recognition

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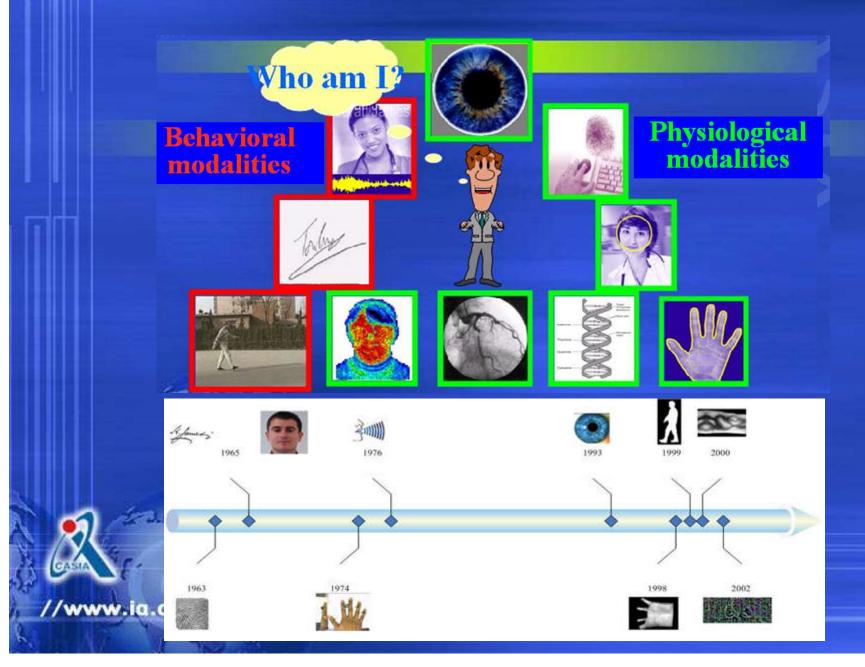
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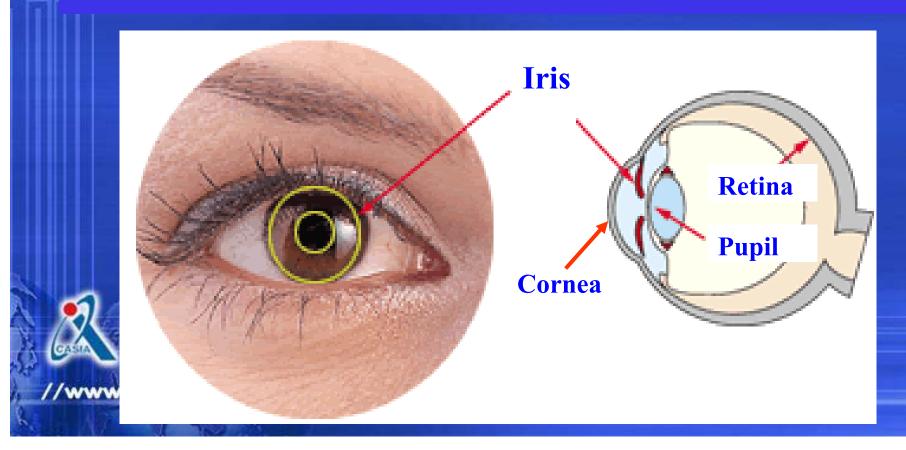
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### Iris in the context of biometrics



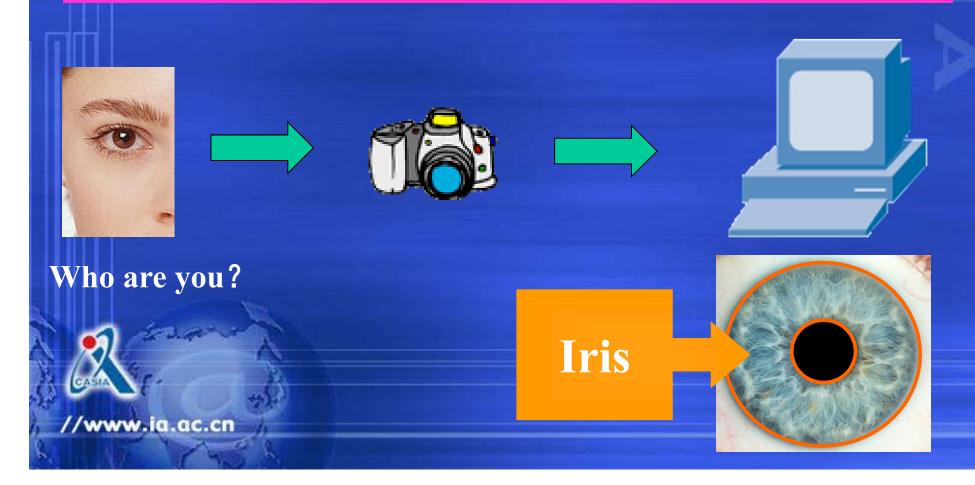
### What is iris?

- The iris of your eye is the circular, colored membrane that surrounds the pupil.
- It controls light levels inside the eye similar to the aperture on a camera.
- Highly protected by cornea but externally visible at a distance

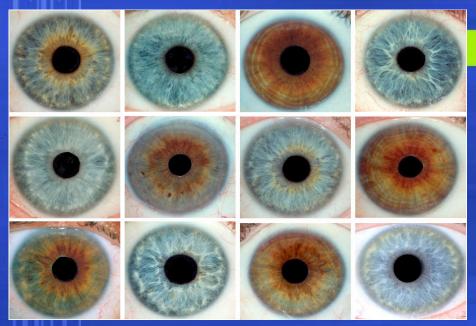


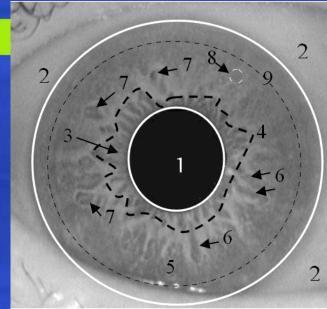
### Iris Recognition

Acquisition, processing, analysis and comparison of iris patterns for personal identification



# Human iris is small in size but rich of texture in visual appearance





- 1. Pupil
- 2. Sclera
- 3. Pupillary area
- 4. Collarette
- 5. Ciliary area
- 6. Radial furrows
- 7. Crypts
- 8. Pigment spots
- 9. Concentric

Visible illumination

Near infrared illumination

- The uniqueness of iris texture comes from the random and complex structures such as furrows, ridges, crypts, rings, corona, freckles etc. which are formed during gestation
- The epigenetic iris texture remains stable after 1.5 years old or so

# Desirable characteristics of iris for personal authentication

- Uniqueness
  - phenotypic randomness, minute image features, rich information
- Stability
  stable through lifetime
- Non-intrusiveness
  imaging without touch

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### A Story on Iris Recognition

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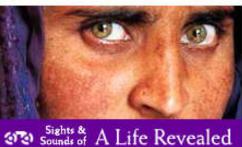
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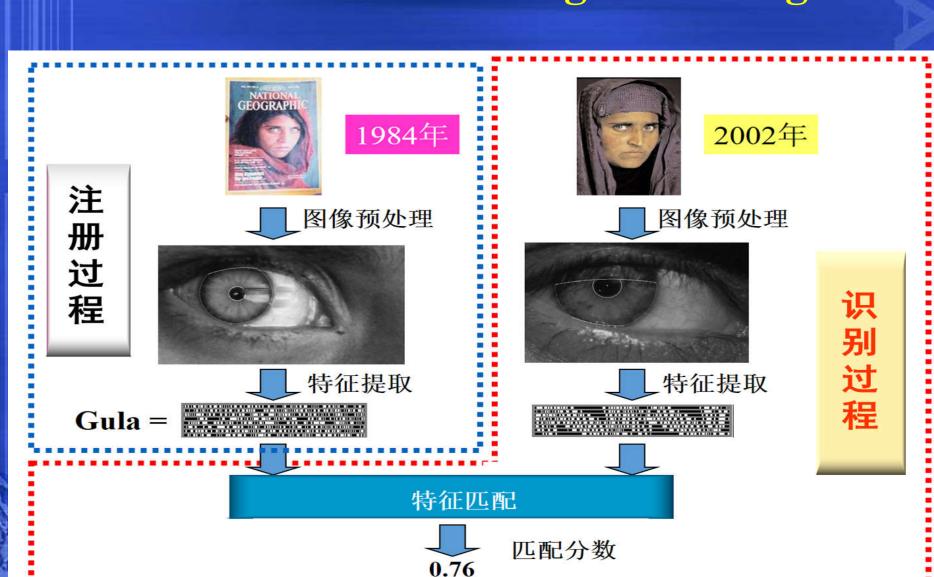
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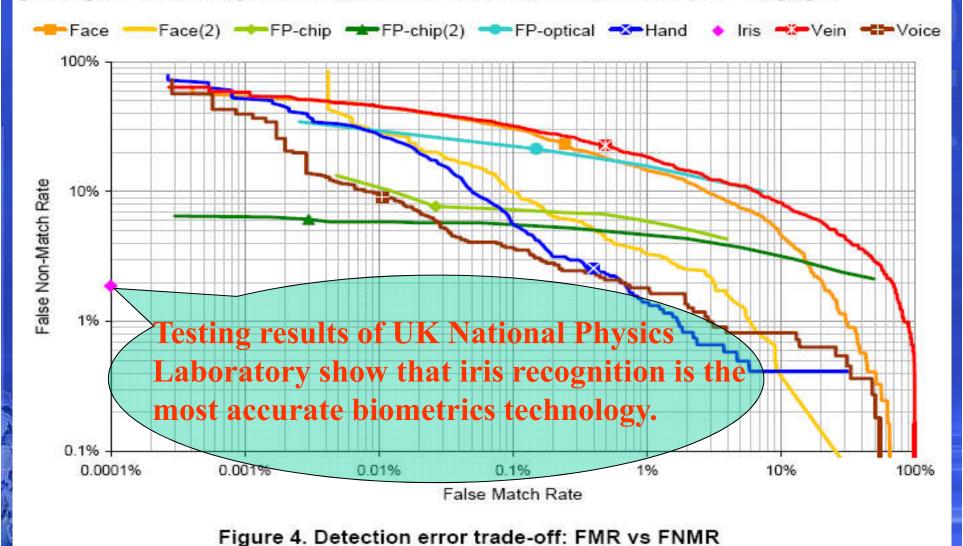
### Identification of Gula Using Iris Recognition



# Comparison with other modalities

Biometrics	Universality	Uniqueness	Stability	Collectability	Accuracy	Acceptability	Security
Face	High	Low	Medium	High	Low	High	Low
Fingerprint	Medium	High	High	Medium	High	Medium	High
Hand	Medium	Medium	Medium	High	Medium	Medium	Medium
Vein	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	High
Iris	High	High	High	Medium	High	Medium	High
Retina	High	High	Medium	Low	High	Low	High
Handwriting	Low	Low	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Voice	Medium	Low	Low	Medium	Low	High	Low
Thermogram	High	High	Low	High	Medium	High	High
Odor	High	High	High	Low	Low	Medium	Low
Gait	Medium	Low	Low	High	Low	High	Medium
Ear	Medium	Medium	High	Medium	Medium	High	Medium
DNA	High 🤲	High	High	Low	High	Low	Low

accuracy of this matching process. By adjusting the decision criteria there can be a trade-off between false match and false non-match errors; so the performance is best represented by plotting the relationship between these error rates in a detection error trade-off graph.



### **History of Iris Recognition**

1936 Frank Burch Concept of using iris patterns for human identification

> 1985 Flom and Safir First iris recognition patent



1991 John Daugman Iris recognition patent

2002 USA Use of iris recognition in field operations

2001 UAE

Deployed iris recognition system for border control

2009 India Aadhaar

2003 **Immigration** clearance at Schiphol airport 2010 2011 Mexico Indonesia National ID National ID

> 2011 John Daugman Patent expired



2008 China Coal miner management

1989 John Daugman First iris camera



1995 IrisScanner System One of the earliest commercial iris camera



2004 SecuriMetrics Portable iris recognition device



2006 Sarnoff Iris on the Move



2013 **AOptix** App & device for smartphone to capture iris





DeltaID

2013





1999 **CASIA** The first iris recognition system in China



2009 CASIA Iris recognition at a distance



2015 IrisKing Binocular Iris recognition on smartphones

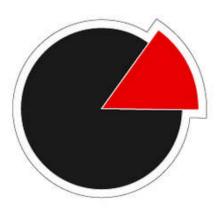
A.K. Jain, K. Nandakumar and A. Ross, 50 Years of Biometric Research: Accomplishments, Challenges, and Opportunities. Pattern Recognition Letters, 2015

## Global Market of Iris Recognition

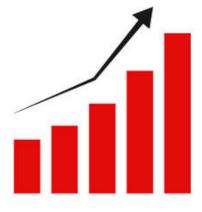


The global market for Iris Biometrics is projected to reach US\$1.8 billion by 2020, driven by effervescent technology advancements and growing use in access, surveillance and identity applications.

#### Global Market Share, Size & Demand Forecasts



- The United States: The Largest Market
- The Middle East: The Fastest Growing Market at 21.2% CAGR



Market projected to reach US\$1.8 billion by 2020



## Applications of iris recognition



Access control



Airport



Homeland security



Welfare distribution
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Missing children identification



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# UID编码

Name

Address

Gender

Date of birth

**Photo** 





10 finger-prints





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### **Progress of UID**

• 2010.9-2016.4 Enrollment of one billion subjects

• Accuracy: False reject rate (FPIR) = 0.057%

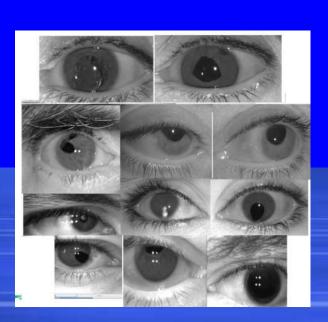
False accept rate (FNIR) = 0.035%

• FTE: 0.14%

• Usability: >99.5%

• EER: 99.73%





### Importance of Iris Biometrics in UID

Raj Mashruwala, Chief Biometric Coordinator of UID

The iris decision alone turned the UID system into a roaring biometrics success and averted a potentially catastrophic failure.

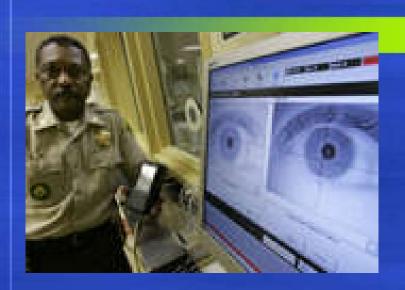
NIST reports FPIR rate of ten-finger identification to be between 1.5 to 3.5% on a gallery size of approximately one million. UIDAI reports FPIR rate of 0.057% over a gallery size of 100 million. This is a 50 times accuracy improvement despite a 100-times larger database.

UIDAI reports 2.9% of people have biometrically poor quality fingerprints but only 0.23% have biometrically poor quality fingerprints and iris. A third metric would reinforce this point. It is not uncommon in the literature to see estimations of 1 to 5% failure to enrol (FTE) fingerprint rate. UIDAI reports FTE rate of 0.14%, another 10X improvement.





### Iris Recognition for Criminal Investigation





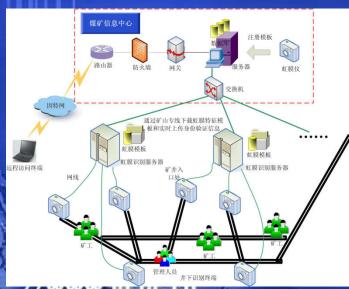






# Iris Recognition for Coal Miner Identification







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### Iris Recognition for Prison Management









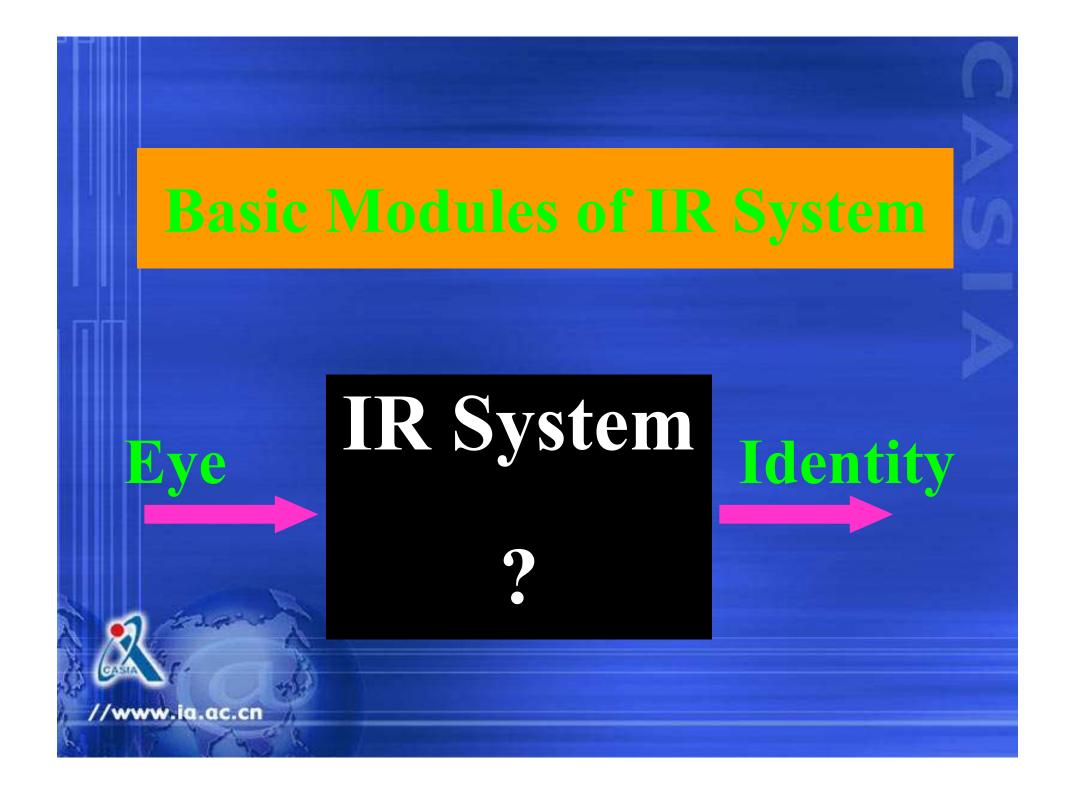
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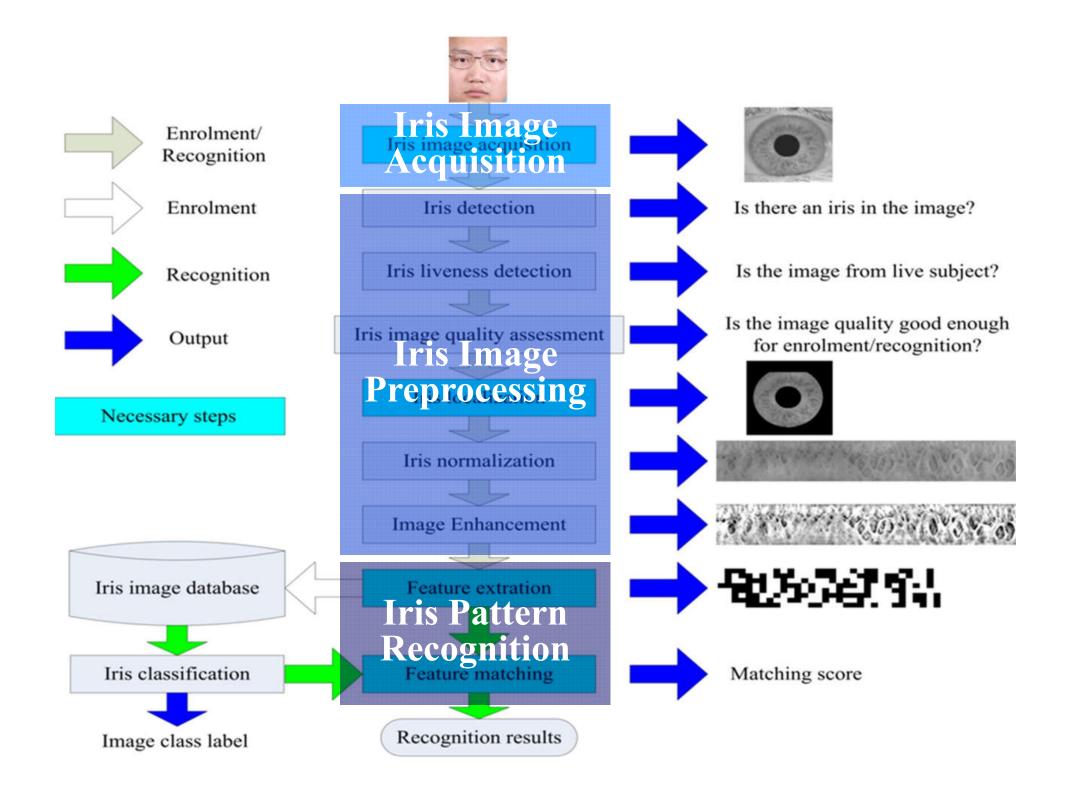












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### Difficulties of iris image acquisition

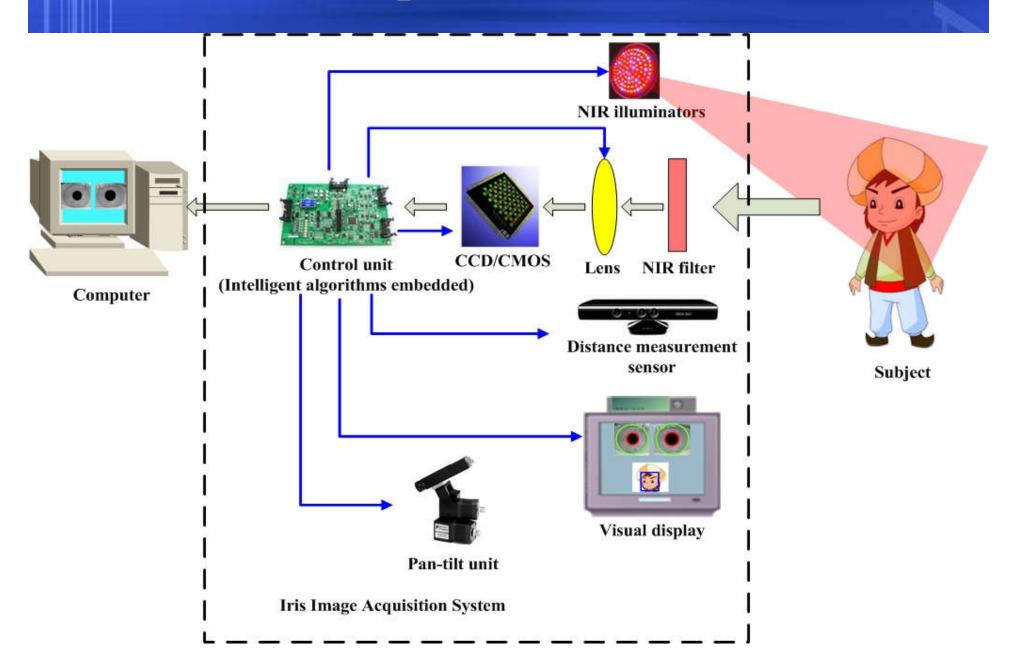


- ■Small size (11mm)
- Sufficient resolution (200 pixels)
- **■**Narrow depth of field
- **■**Must be optically on-axis
- ■Stop and stare

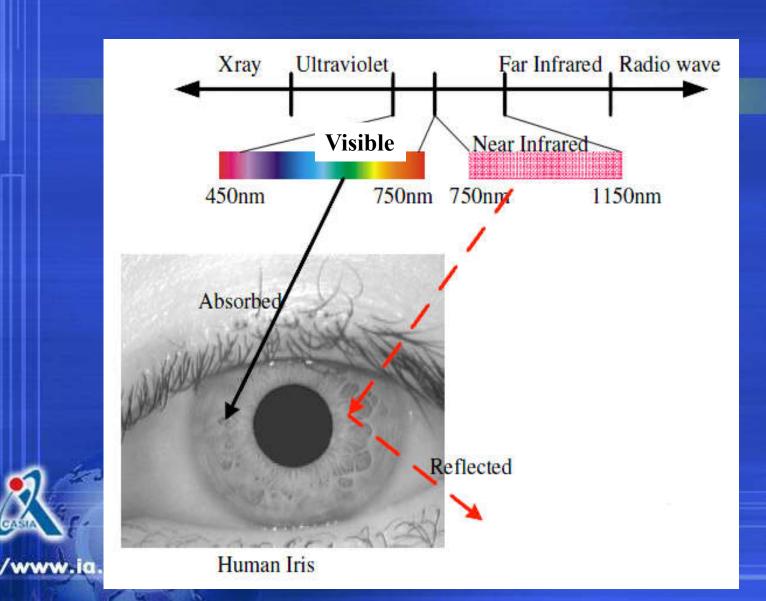
How to capture clear iris images with law-low-cost, user-friendly cameras is still the most challenging problem in IR.

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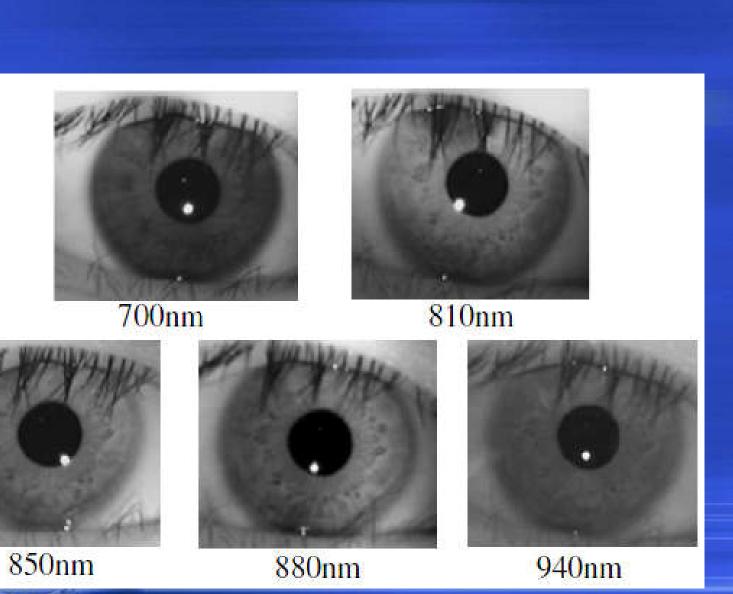
### **Basic Components of Iris Sensor**



### Optical characteristics of human iris



### Iris images captured at different wavelength



### Close-range iris devices



OKI IrisPass-H



OKI IrisPass-M



IrisID iCAM T10



IrisID iCAM 7000



Panasonic BM-ET300



Panasonic BM-ET500



IrisGuard IG-H100



IrisGuard IG-AD100



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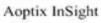


IrisKing IKEMB-110

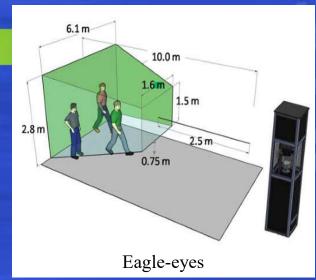


### Long-range iris devices

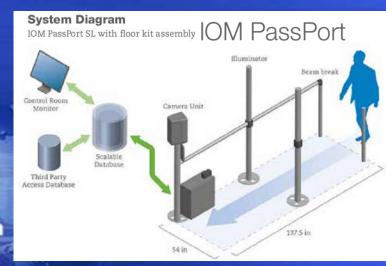
















## Iris image acquisition devices of CASIA























## Technology Roadmap of Iris Recognition

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1999: 打破国外技术封锁, 实现零的突破



2001: 虹膜图像质量达到国际先进水平

#### 从单目到双目



2006:双目、声光引导用户自定位



2008: 液晶实时反馈、嵌入式、网络化

#### 由近及远



2009: 远距离虹膜人脸一体化成像



2013: 多目标虹膜人脸 光场成像

#### 从固定到移动

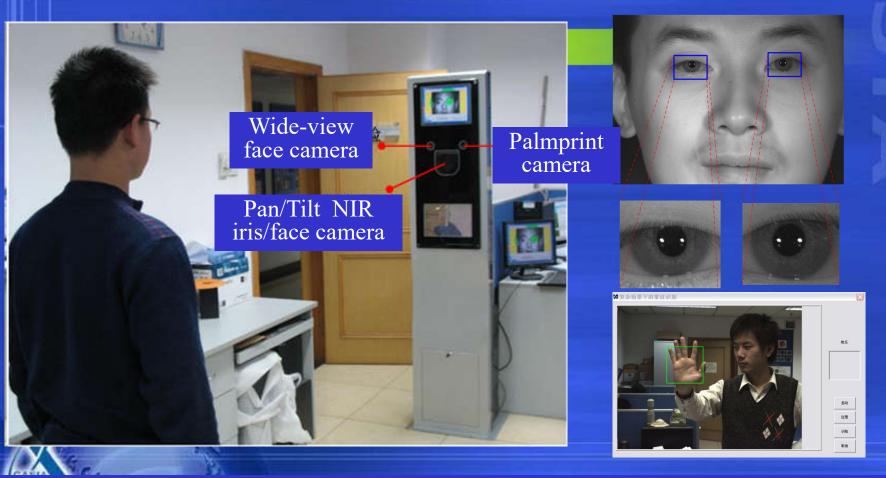


2014: 便携式虹膜识别仪



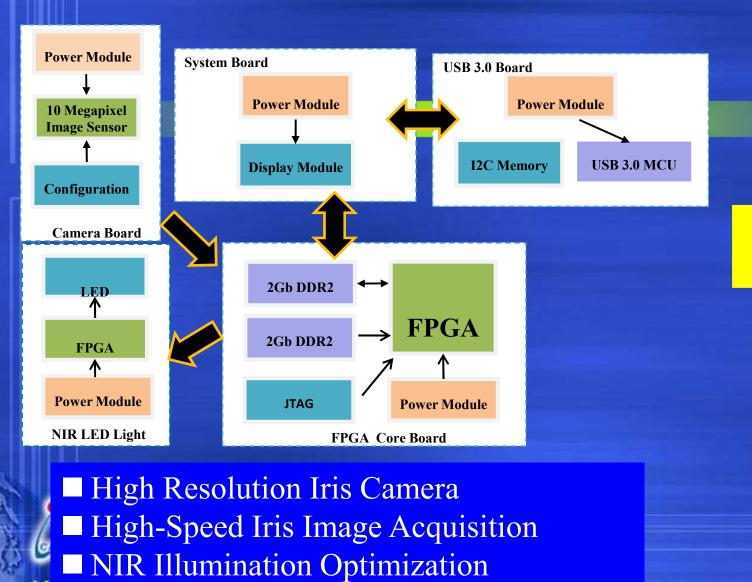
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# Multi-modal biometric recognition at a distance



Iris/Face/Palmprint recognition for friendly personal identification

### Long-range Iris/Face Recognition System

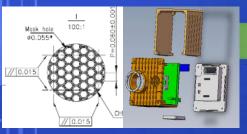


■ Fast Recognition Procedure

## Demo of Iris Recognition at a Distance



## Computational light field imaging









One shot of multiple well-focused subjects: refocusing, 3D reconstruction algorithms are integrated into the sensor

# Techniques to improve user interface of iris cameras

- Use extremely high resolution CCD
- Well-designed optical system to improve DOF (Depth of Field)
- Cold mirror to let user adjust his eye optically on-axis
- Auto-focus system adaptive to the distance between eye and camera
- Distance sensor or image content based distance estimation
- Visual or audio feedback for user
- Dual-eye iris camera
- Active pan/tilt camera optics to accommodate different heights and poses
- Use facial feature detection and tracking to guide iris image acquisition
- Light-field imaging with computational refocusing

## Iris Image Synthesis

### **Motivation:**

- 1. Construct large-scale databases to evaluate iris recognition algorithms
- 2. Construct iris databases of controllable quality
- 3. Understand how iris texture is formed

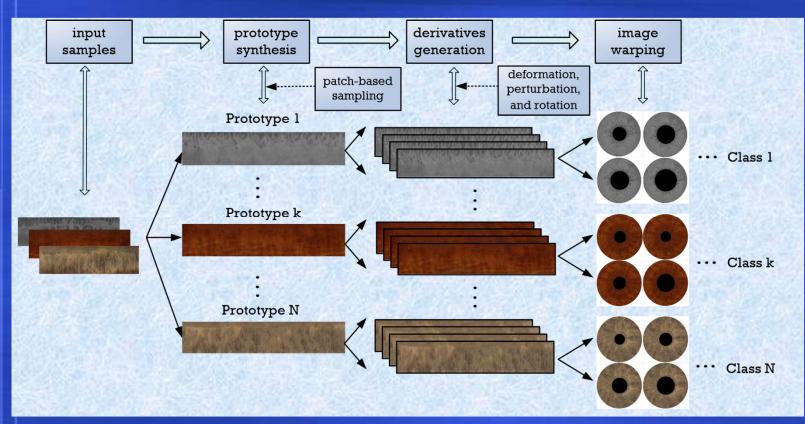


## Challenges of Iris Image Synthesis

- 1. Anatomical structures of iris pattern
- 2. Visual similarity
- 3. Numerous iris classes
- 4. Complex intra-class variations
- e.g., eyelashes and eyelids, illumination, deformation, eyeglasses, etc.
- 5. Independent of representation methods
- 6. Usefulness for IR algorithm evaluation

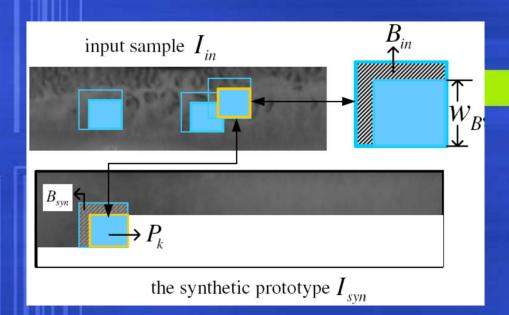
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## Iris image synthesis from exemplars

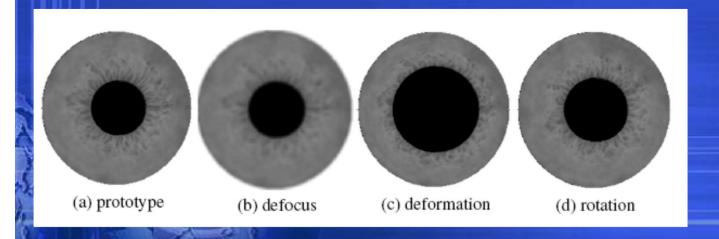


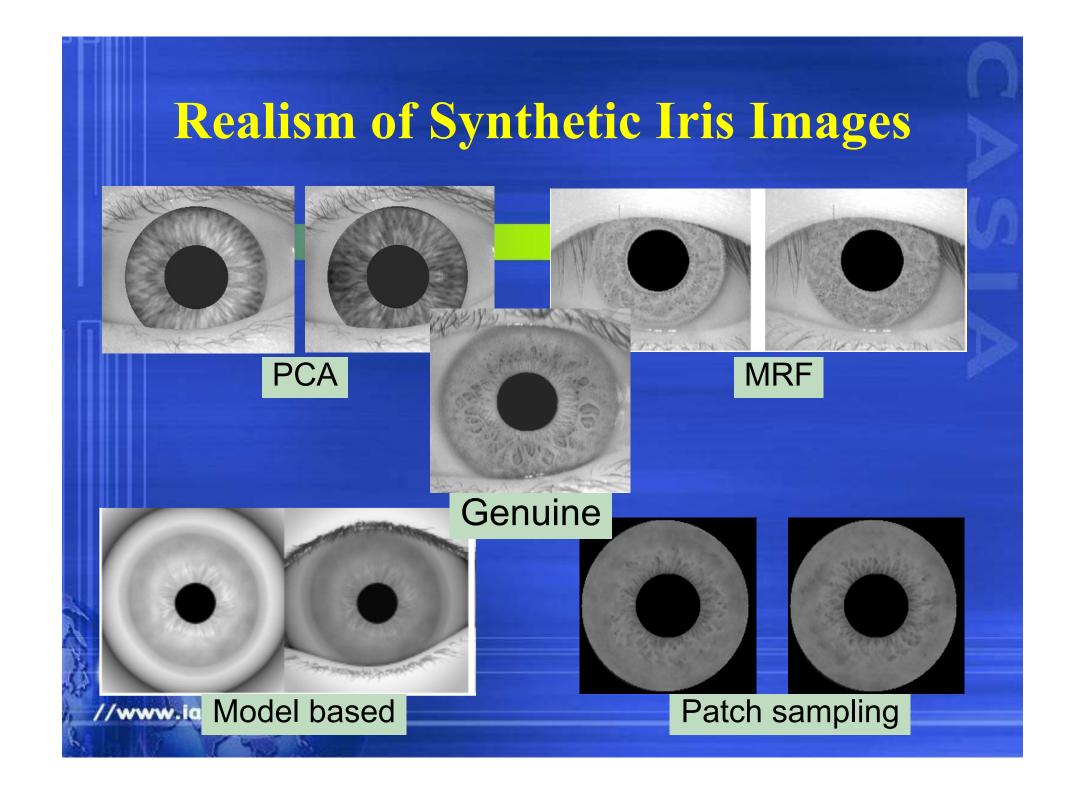
- 1) An input sample image is formed.
- 2) A prototype image is created.
- 3) Multiple images with intra-class variations are generated from the prototype.
- 4) The generated images are warped into annular shape.

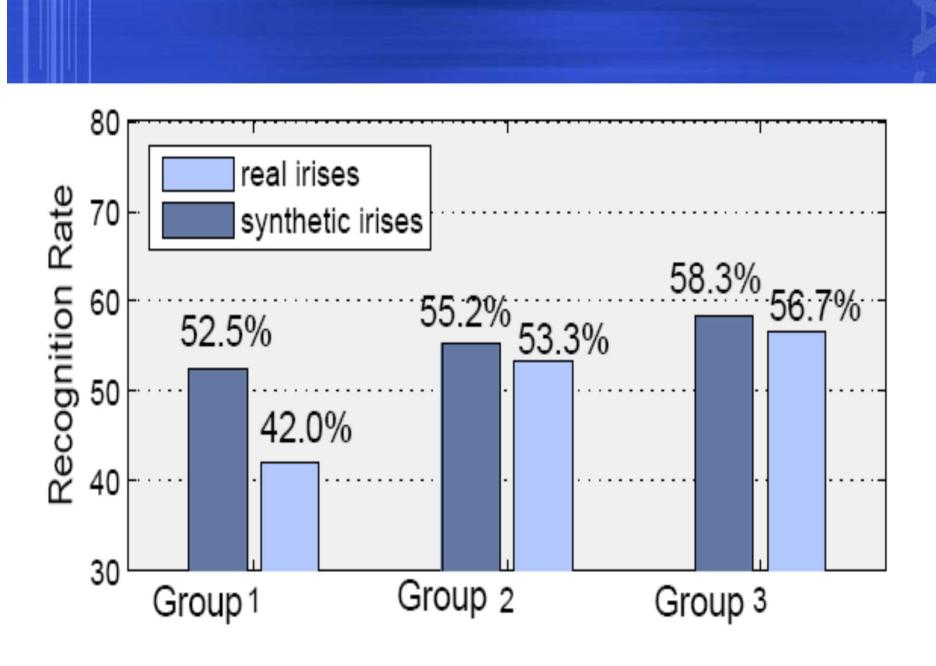
## Techniques of iris image synthesis



- Patch-based sampling is applied to synthesize iris prototype;
- Different strategies are deployed to create multiple samples.

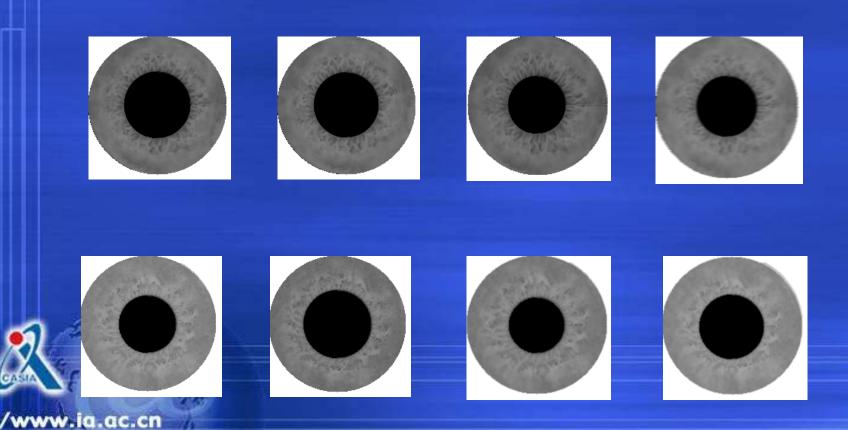




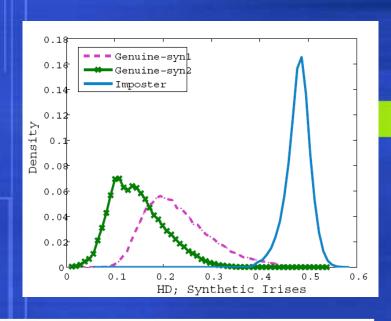


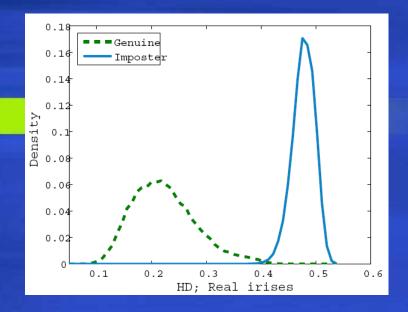
### Database synthesis

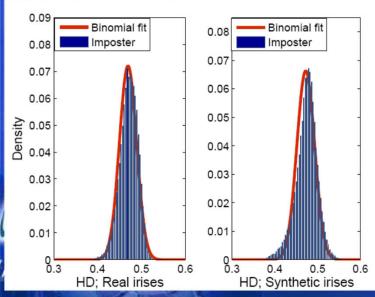
• 1000 classes, 10 images per class, intra-class variations include: deformation, rotation, blurred, and mixture of the above

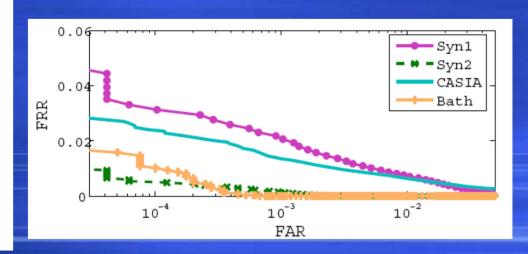


### Statistical similarity









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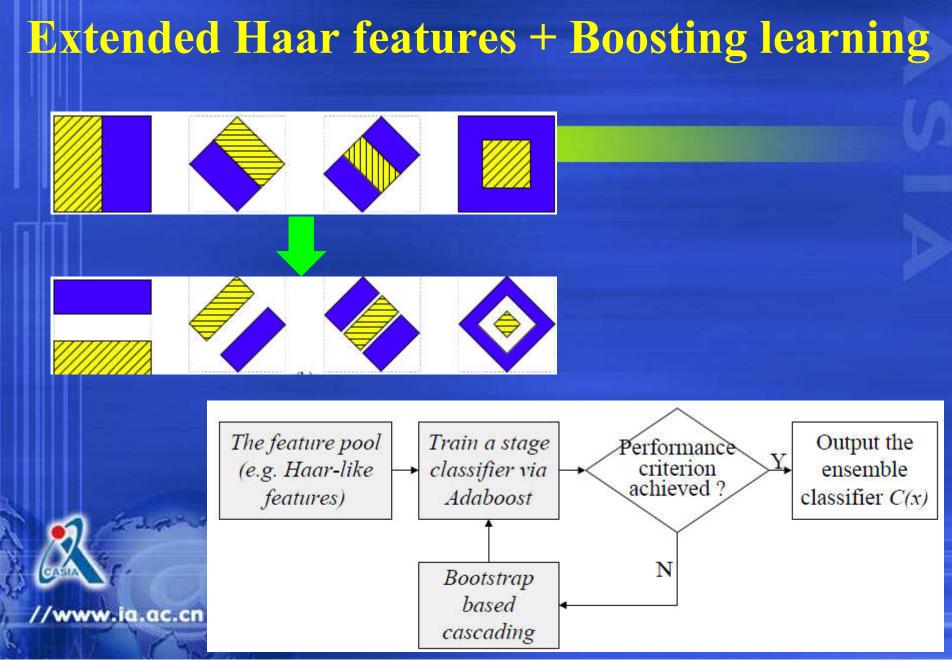
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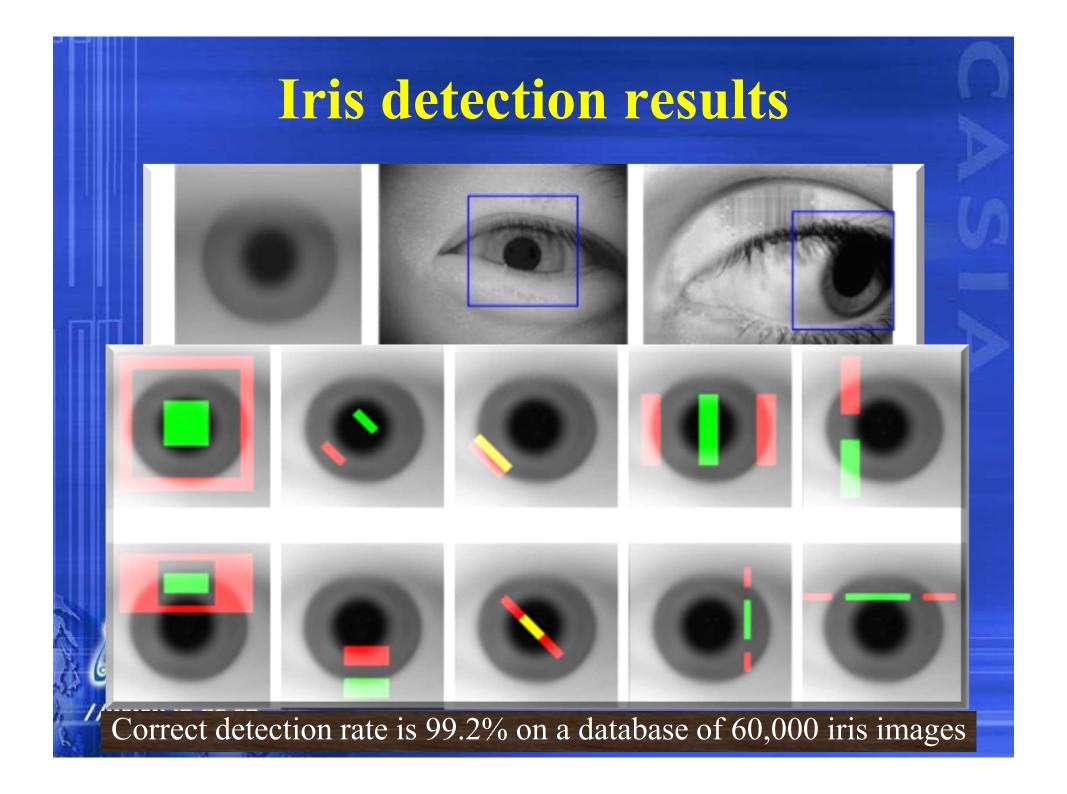
# detection

# Iris Is there an iris in the input image?



# Solution to iris detection:





### Risk of Fake Iris Attacks



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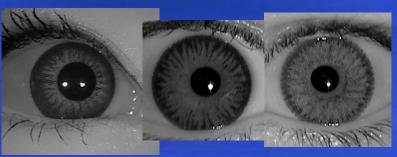
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Well-made eye model





Contact lens





LCD iris

Synthetic iris



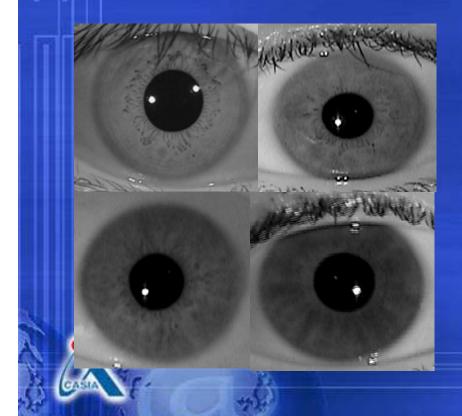


Printed iris

### Iris liveness detection: a texture solution

Smooth texture

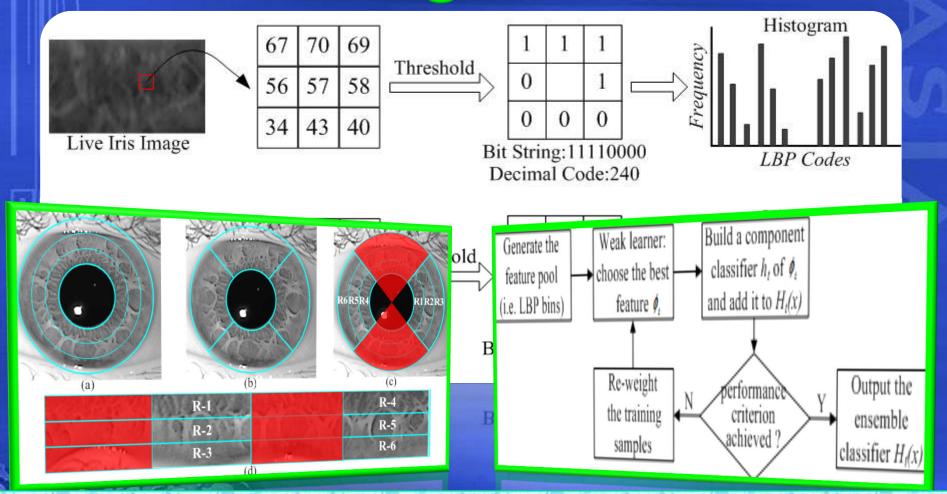
Coarse texture





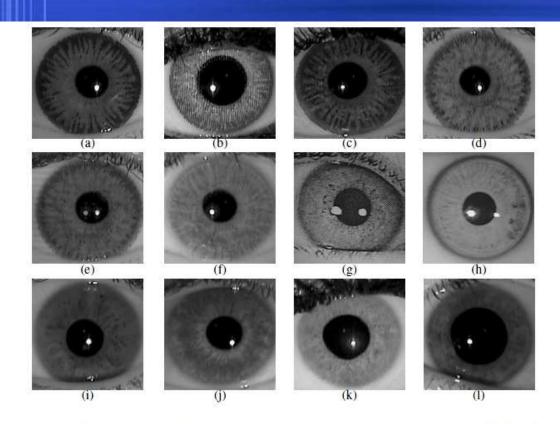
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# BP+Boosting



Iris Liveness Detection via Boosted Local Binary Patterns

## **Experimental results**



Examples of training samples. (a)-(f): Contact lens wearing iris images. (g) Printed iris. (h) Glass eye. (i)-(l): Live iris images.

#### **Training**

- 300 fake iris images
- 6000 genuine iris images

#### Test

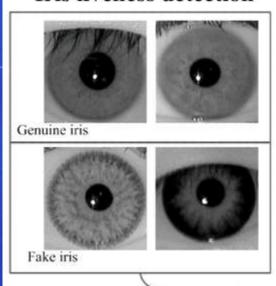
- 300 fake iris images
- 4000 genuine iris images



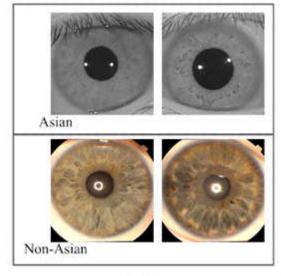
Algorithm	FAR (%)	FRR (%)	Speed(ms)
GLCM	4.33	6.84	230
Iris texton	3.67	6.91	340
LBP+Boosting	0.67	2.64	160

# Iris image classification: one solution to multiple problems

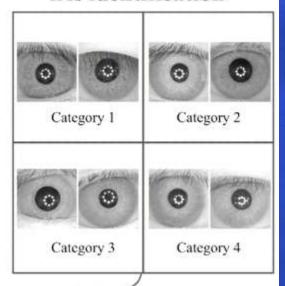
#### Iris liveness detection



#### Race classification



#### Coarse-to-fine iris identification

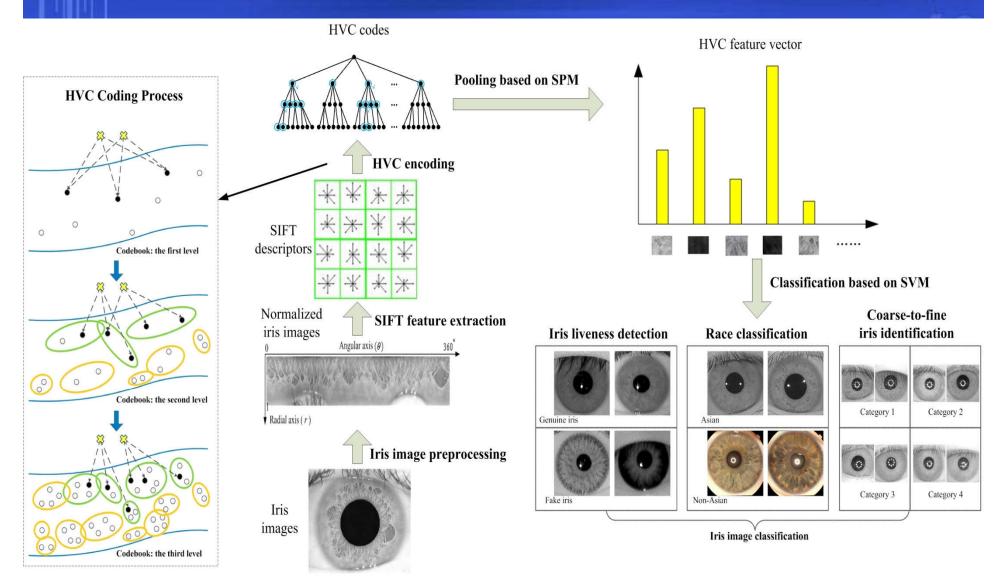


Iris image classification

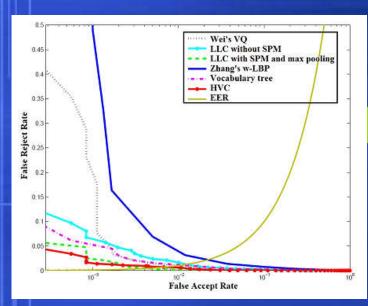
#### Iris image classification:

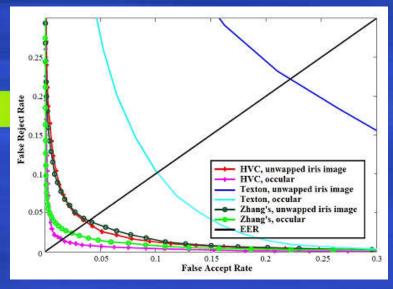
- Classify iris image into application specific category
- Different from iris recognition

# Iris Image Classification Based on Hierarchical Visual Codebook (HVC)



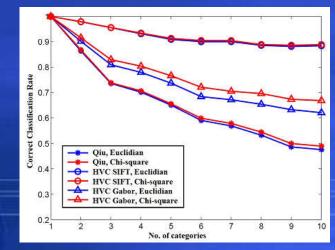
### **Experimental results**





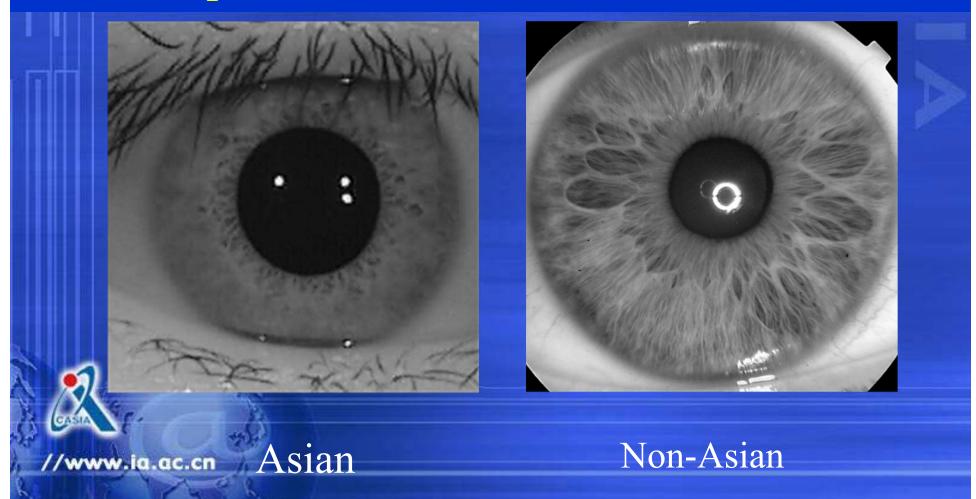
Iris liveness detection

Race classification

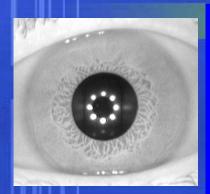


Classification of iris images in large database

The success of race classification based on iris images indicates that an iris image is not only a phenotypic biological signature but also a genotypic biometric pattern.



# Other possible ways for iris liveness detection



- 1. Spectrographic properties of physiological components of eye
- 2. Specular reflections caused light spots
- 3. Eyelid movement
- 4. Challenge-response
- 5. Facial features, head movement, body sway, etc.
- 6. Multi-biometrics

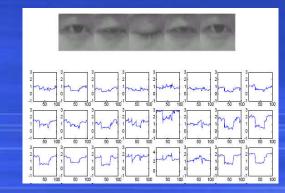


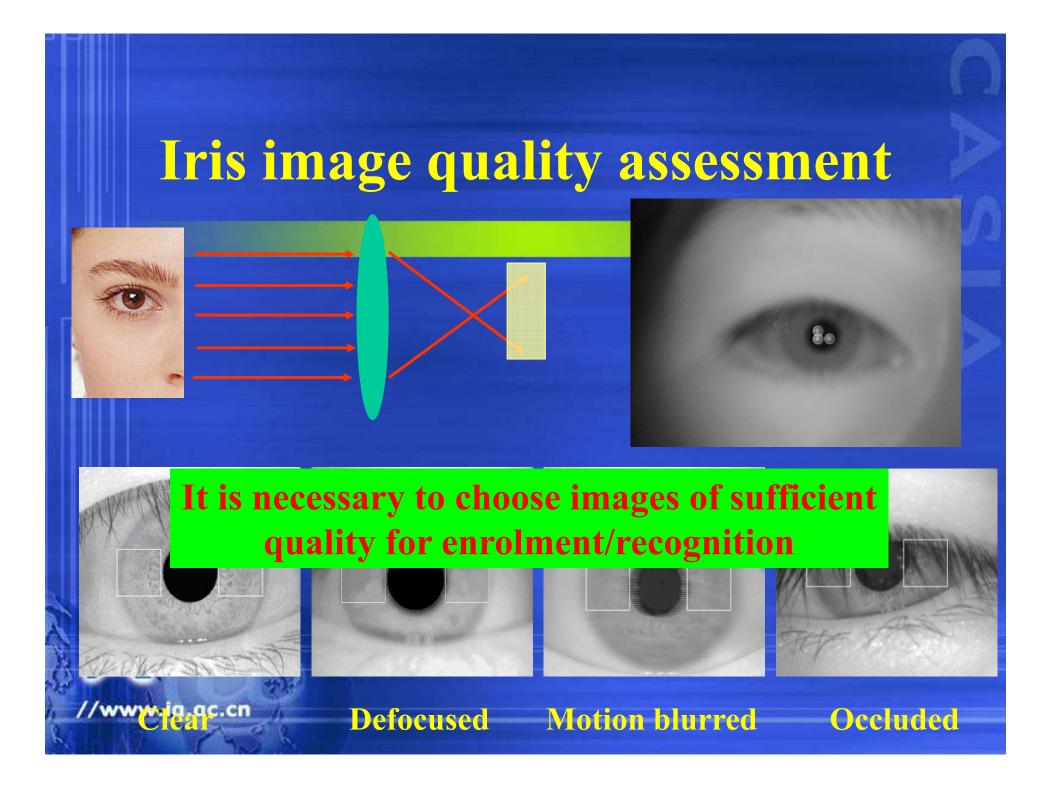




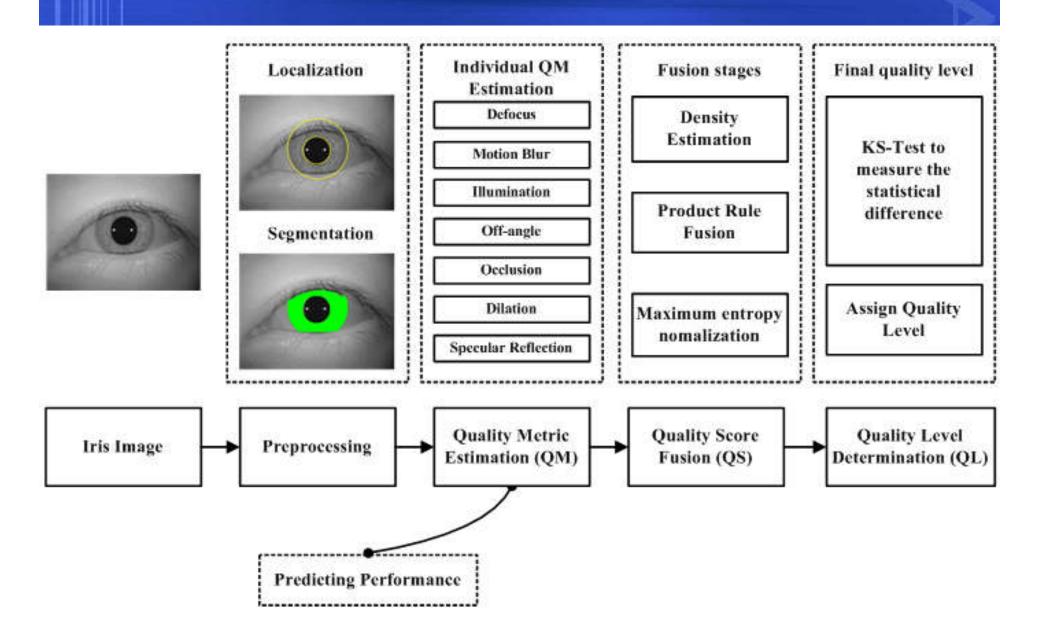








### A framework of iris image quality assessment (3Q model)

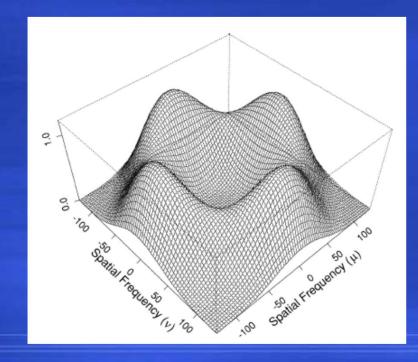


# The first Q: quality metric estimation Valid area **Motion blur Defocus** Illumination **Dilation** Off-angle

### Defocused blur assessment

Daugman: High-frequency power in the 2D Fourier spectrum

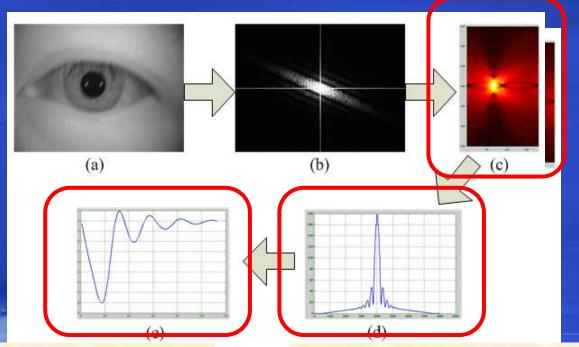
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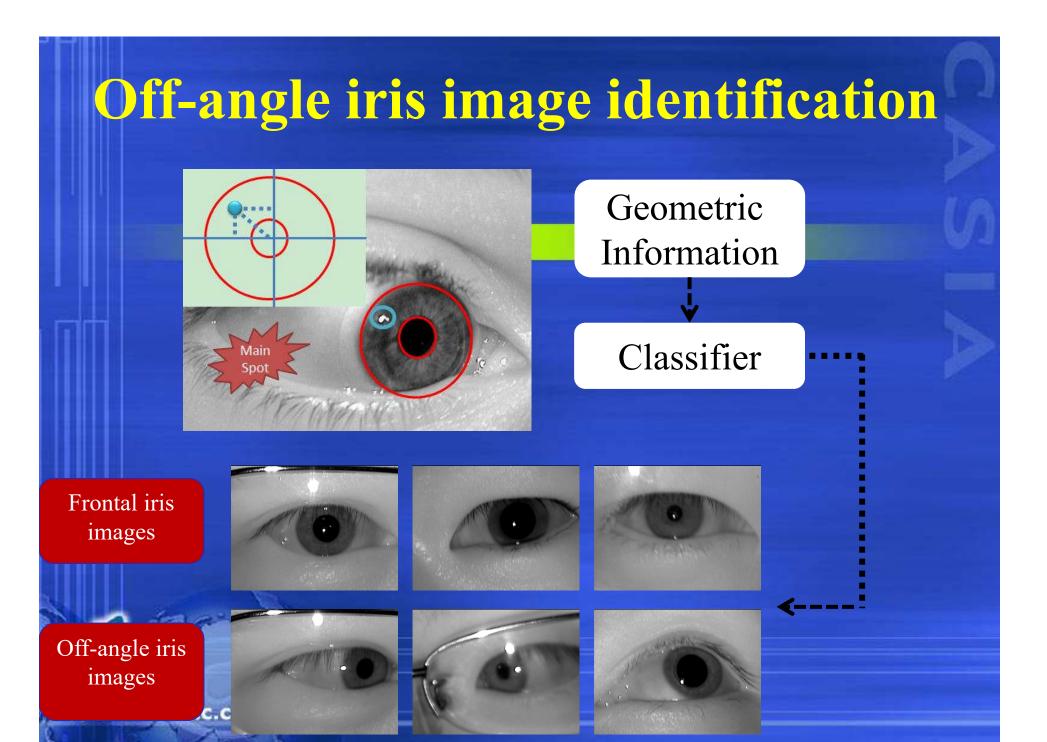
# Motion blur estimation based on Radon transform

$$R_{p,\theta} = \iint_D f(x,y) \delta(P - x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta) dx dy$$



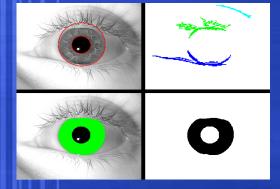
$$\hat{P} = \arg\min\{\frac{\partial R_{p,\hat{\theta}} * G_{\sigma}(r)}{\partial x} = 0\}$$

$$\hat{\Theta} = \arg\max_{\theta \in [0:180]} \{ \int_0^{a\sin\theta + b\cos\theta} R_{p,\theta} dp \}$$



## Other quality metrics

#### Valid area



#### Illumination



Mean gray value in the valid iris region

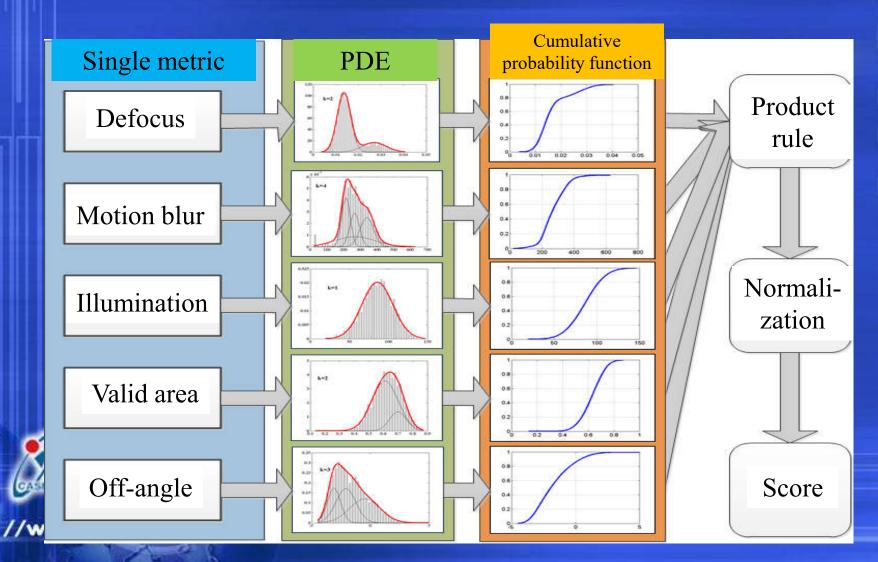
#### **Dilation**



$$Q_{dilation} = \frac{IrisArea}{IrisArea + PupilArea}$$

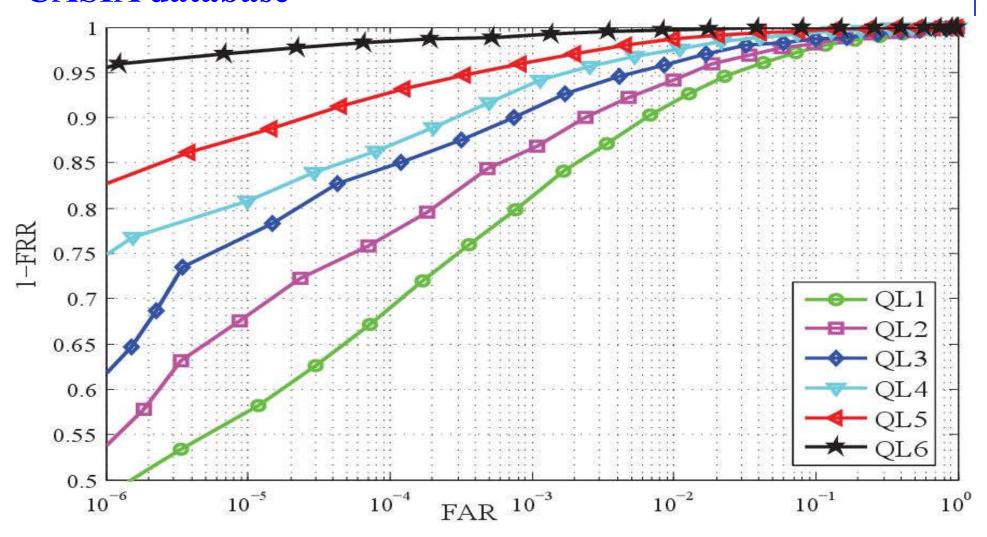
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# The second Q: quality score fusion from multiple metrics



### The third Q: quality level determination

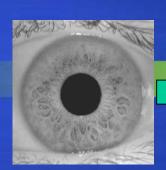
Iris recognition performance as a function of QL on the CASIA database





- Prediction of iris recognition performance
- Design of adaptive iris recognition algorithms
- Smart interface of iris devices





Iris localization/ segmentation



Iris normalization

Illumination estimation

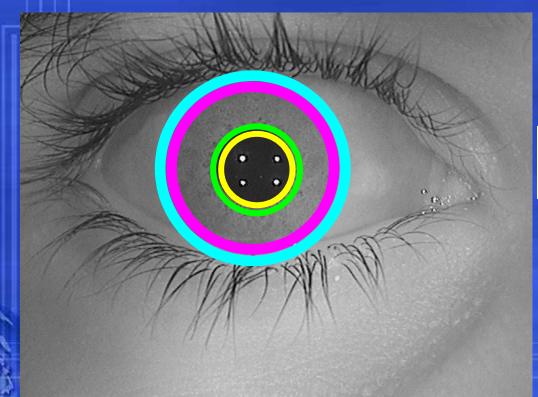


**Enhancement** 



### Iris localization

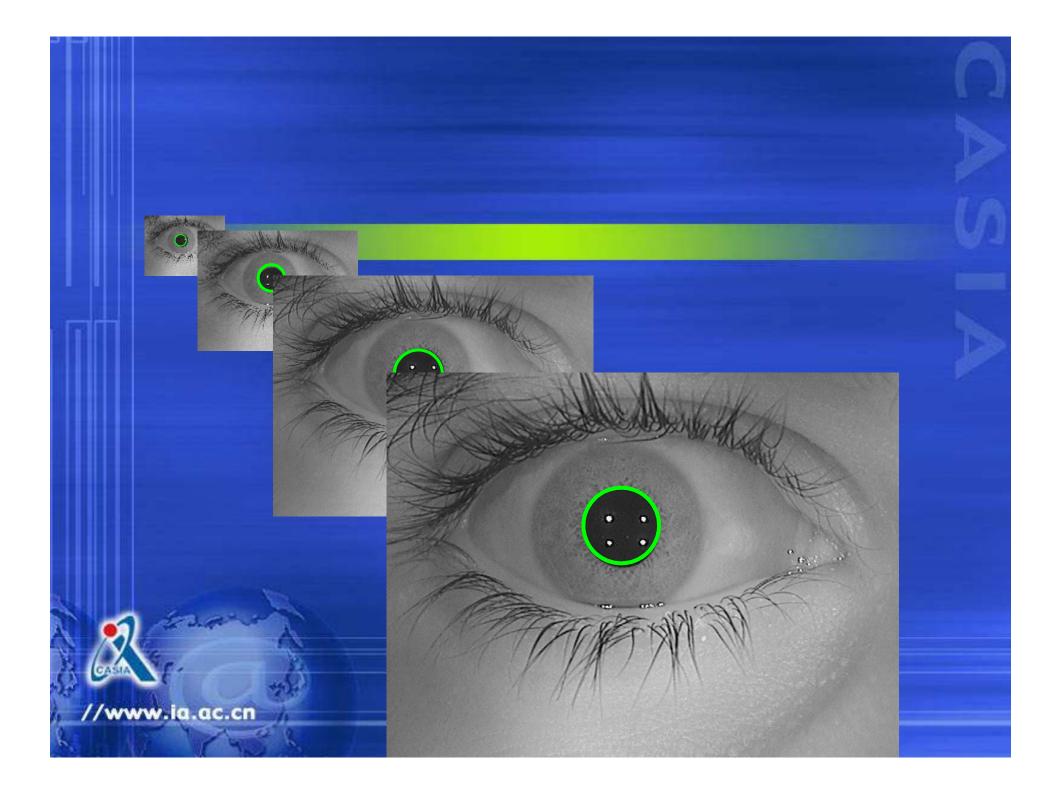
-Daugman's algorithm-



Integral-differential operator

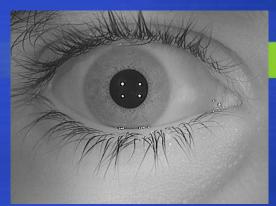
$$\max_{(r,x_0,y_0)} \left| G_{\sigma}(r) * \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \oint_{r,x_0,y_0} \frac{I(x,y)}{2\pi r} ds \right|$$

Coarse to fine strategy



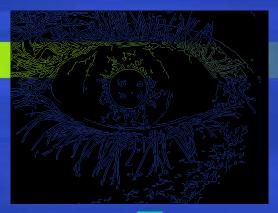


-Wildes' algorithm-



Edge detection





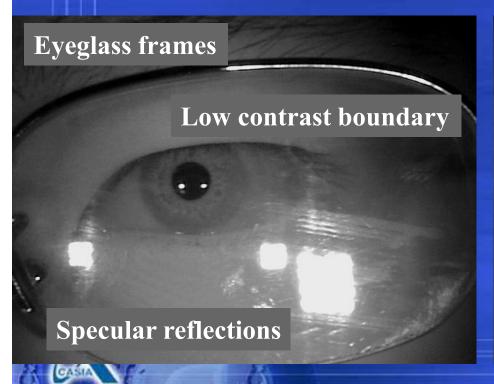
Hough transform

253 edge points support me

761 edge points support me

65 edge points support me

# The main challenges of iris image segmentation





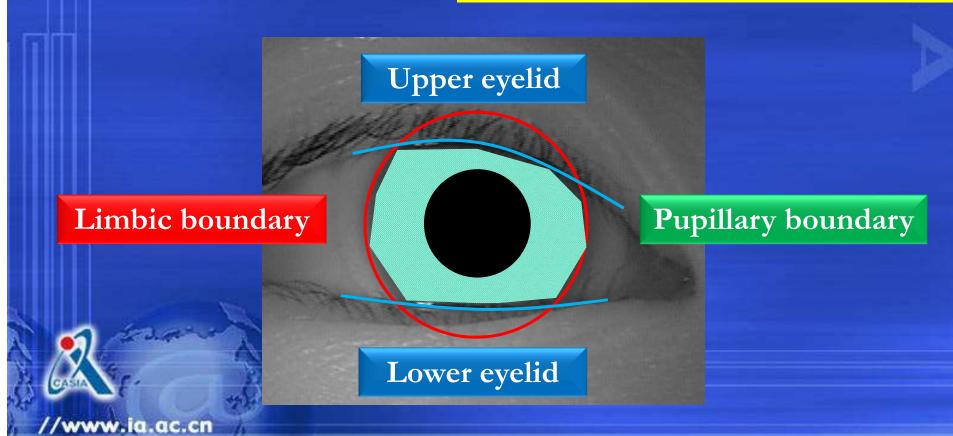
### Related works

#### **Region Based Methods**

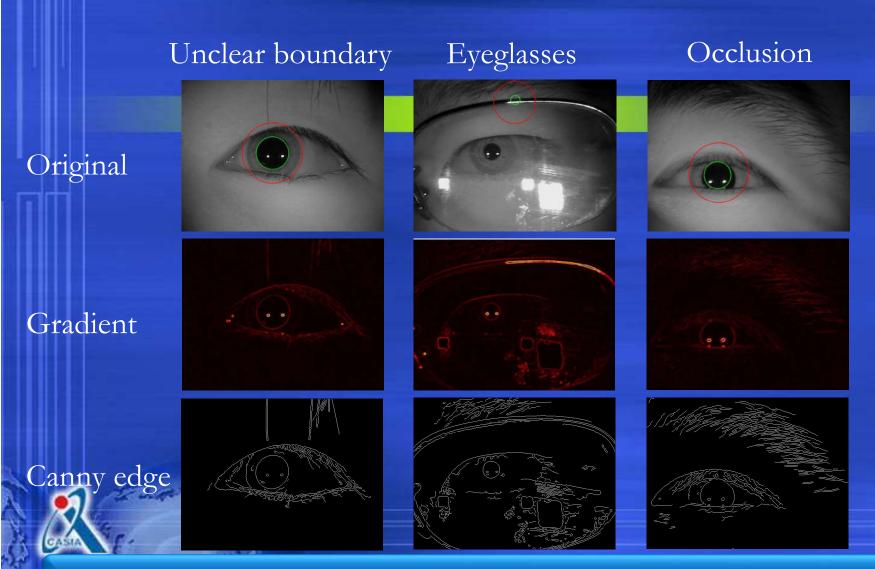
Pixel classification (Proença, TPAMI'10) Pixel clustering (Tan, IVC'10)

### **Edge Based Methods**

Integrodifferential operator (Daugman, TCSVT'04) Hough transform (Wildes, Proc. of IEEE'97) Active contours (Shah and Ross, TIFS'09) Pulling and pushing (He, Tan et al., TPAMI'09)



### The main problems of edge based methods



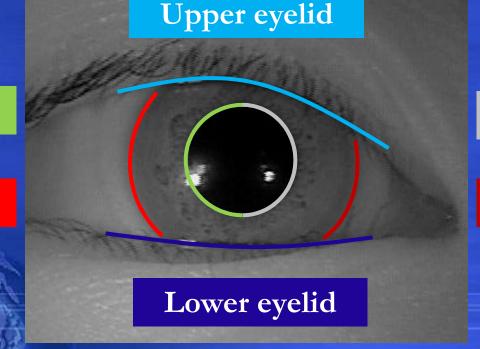
How to identify the edges on the iris boundaries?

## Our solution: specific edge detectors only sensitive to the edge points on iris boundaries

Learned Boundary Detectors (LBDs)
Main idea: **Generic** to **Specific** edge detector

Left pupillary

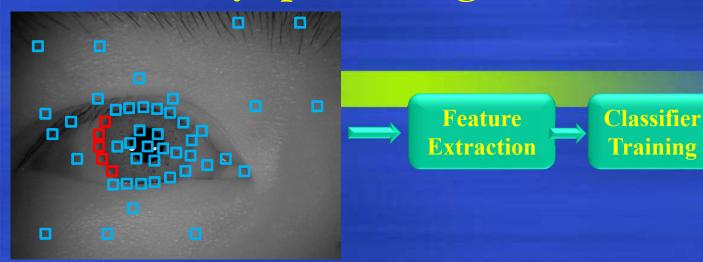
Left limbic



Right pupillary

Right limbic

## Machine learning of the feature representations of iris boundary specific edge detectors



Patch size: 17\*17

#### **Features**

- Intensity: mean, variance;
- Gradient (x and y): mean, variance
- Structure: Haar-like at multiple locations, scales and aspect ratios

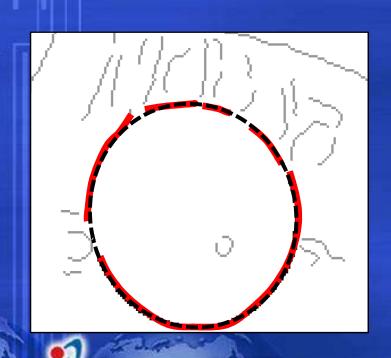
4 Integer intensities

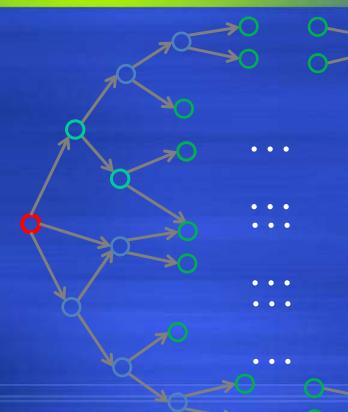
All features can be computed efficiently

14091 features in total

## Contour connection based on energy minimization

$$c = w_{LBD}c_{LBD} + w_dc_d + w_\theta c_\theta$$





### Performance of iris localization

**CASIA-Iris-Thousand**: 20,000 iris images from 2,000 eyes of 1,000 persons.

**Accuracy Rate:** 

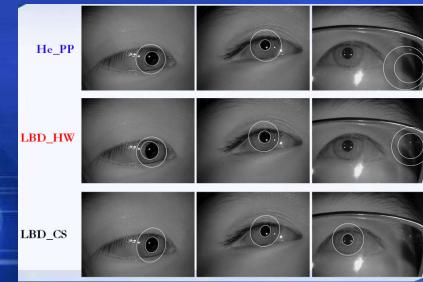
$$AR(DR \le Th) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \delta(DR_n \le Th)$$

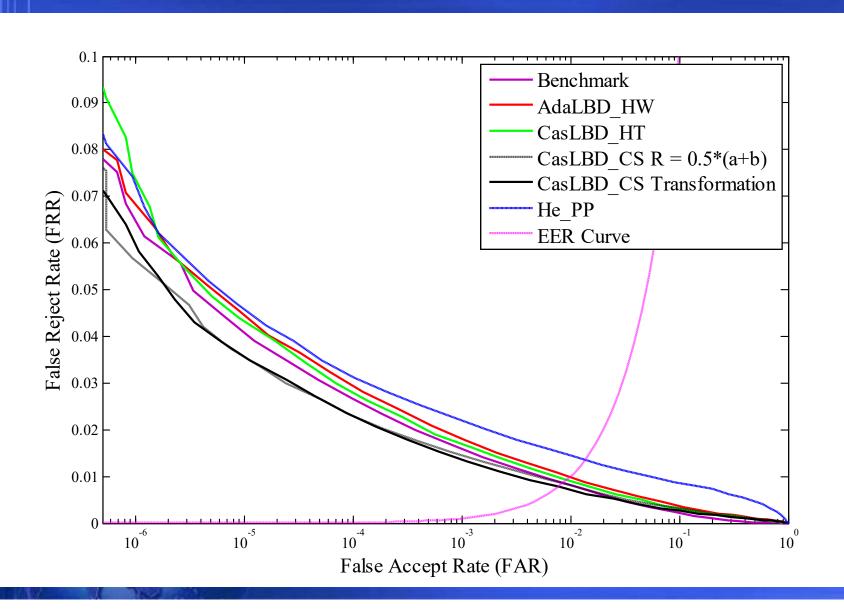
He PP (He, Tan et al. TPAMI 2009)

95.30%

CasLBD\_HT (Cascaded LBDs + Hough Transform; ICB 2012) 99.13%

CasLBD\_CS (Cascaded LBDs + Contour Segments; ICPR 2012) 99.28%

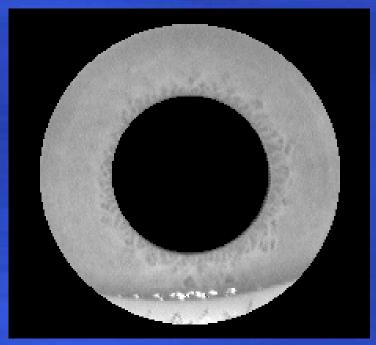




## Nonlinear iris deformation

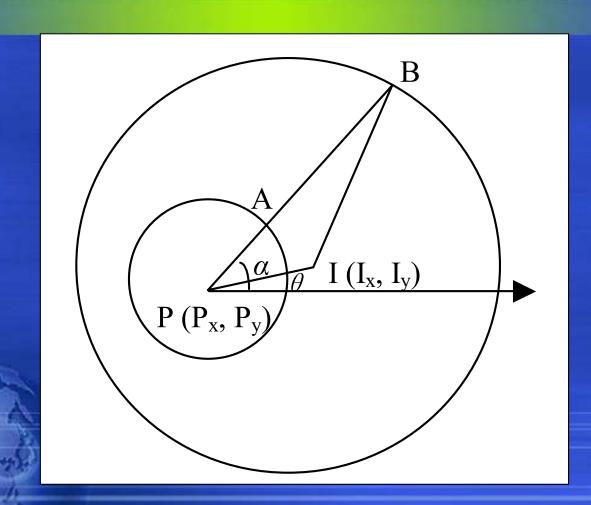


Normal illumination



Weak illumination

## Iris normalization



### Iris normalization model

Linear mapping model:
$$f(x) = \frac{R}{r}x$$

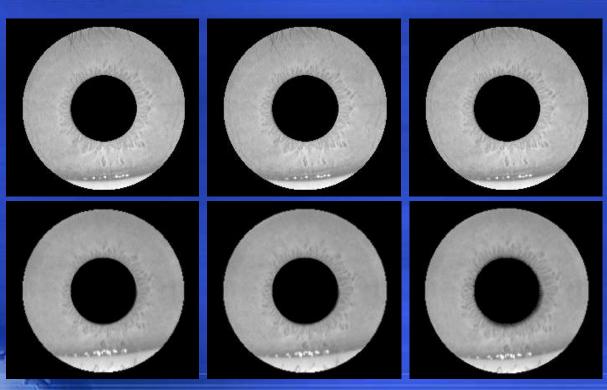
Piecewise-linear mapping model:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{nkR + (1-k)(R-r)}{nkr} x & x \in [0, kr] \\ \frac{R-r}{n} + \frac{nR - (R-r)}{nr} x & x \in (kr, r] \end{cases}$$

Nonlinear mapping:

$$f(x) = \frac{R - br}{\ln(ar + 1)} \ln(ax + 1) + bx$$



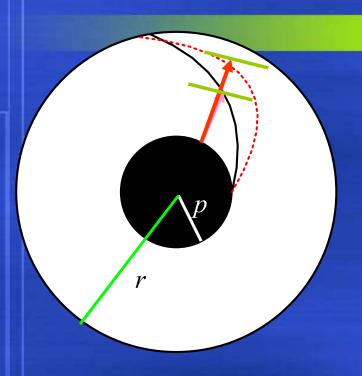


Linear

Piecewise-linear Nonlinear

### Nonlinear iris deformation correction

(In Harry J. Wyatt's work: A 'minimum-wear-and-tear' meshwork for the iris)



A point in any position of iris region can be described as:

$$R_{nonlinear} = R_{linear} + \square R(p,r)$$

 $\uparrow$   $R_{linear}$ 

**Linear stretch position** 



**Nonlinear stretch position** 

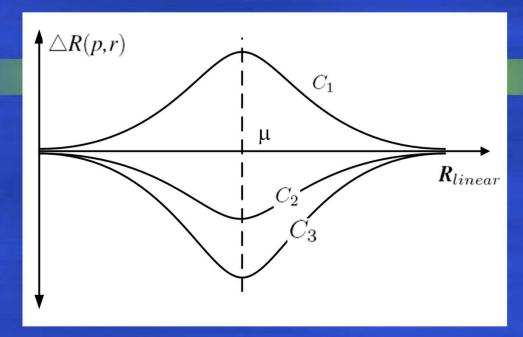
$$\square R(p,r)$$

**Additive item** 

Iris nonlinear stretch

Iris linear stretch

### Our solution: Gaussian function to model the additive component

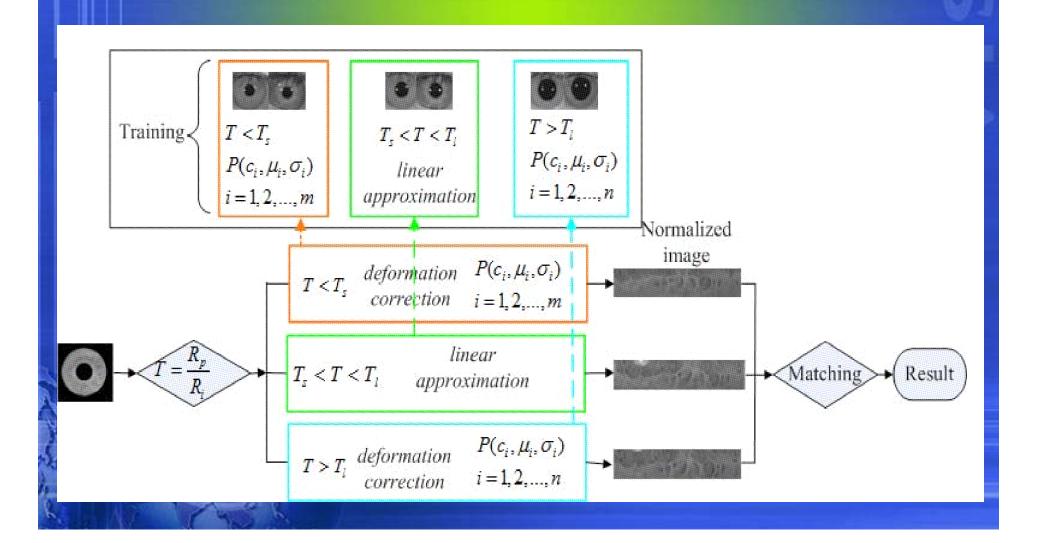


$$\Box R = C \times \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{(R_{linear} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right]$$

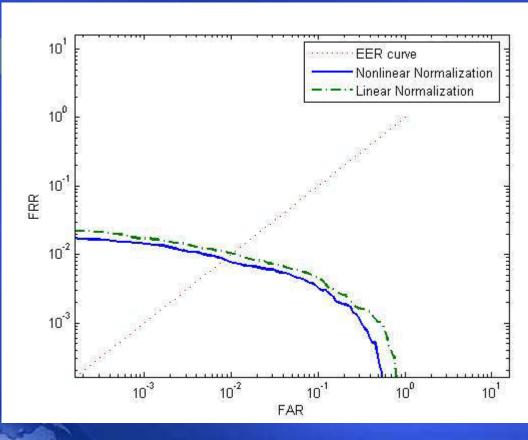
$$C = \lambda - \frac{p}{r}$$

where  $\lambda$  is the standard ratio of pupil radius per iris radius

## Flowchart of nonlinear iris deformation correction



## Recognition using different normalization methods



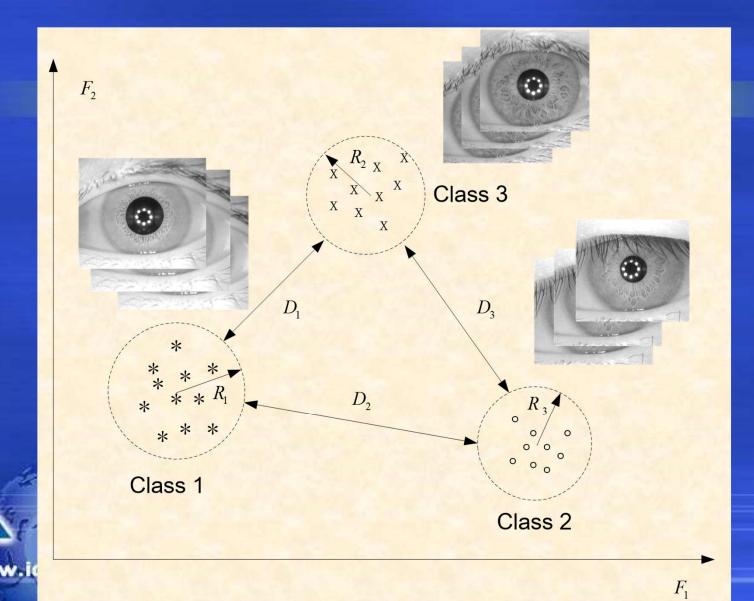
_	EER	Discri Index	Time (s)
Linear	1.0585%	4.7094	0.0862
Nonlinear	0.85067%	4.9913	0.0693

use look-up-table

## Outline of Talk

- Preamble
- Iris image acquisition
- Iris image preprocessing
- Iris pattern recognition
- Roadmap of iris recognition
- Resources and conclusions

### Objective of iris pattern recognition



## Iris Feature Extraction

- Phase-based method(Daugman, PAMI 1993)
- Correlation-based method (Wildes, Machine vision and applications, 1996)
- Zero-crossings representation (Boles, IEEE Trans. SP 1998)
- Texture analysis(Tan et al, PAMI 2003)
- Local intensity variation
   (Tan et al, IEEE Trans. IP 2004 and PR 2004)
- Ordinal measures (Tan et al, PAMI 2009)





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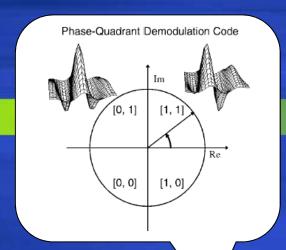
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## Daugman's method: IrisCode

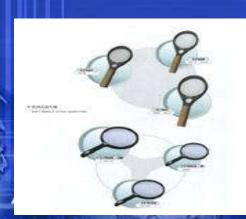
**Feature extraction** 

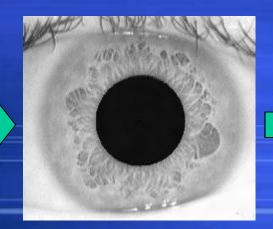
Multiscale Gabor filters



Filtered results

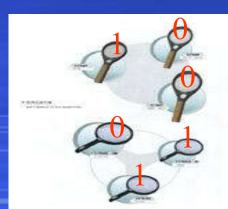
**IrisCode** 







Quantization

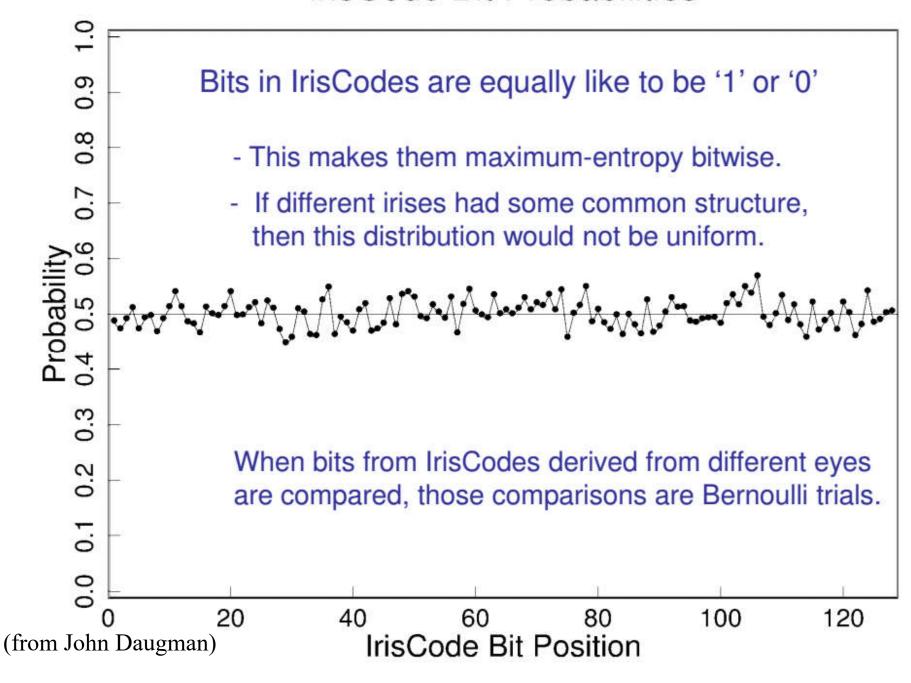


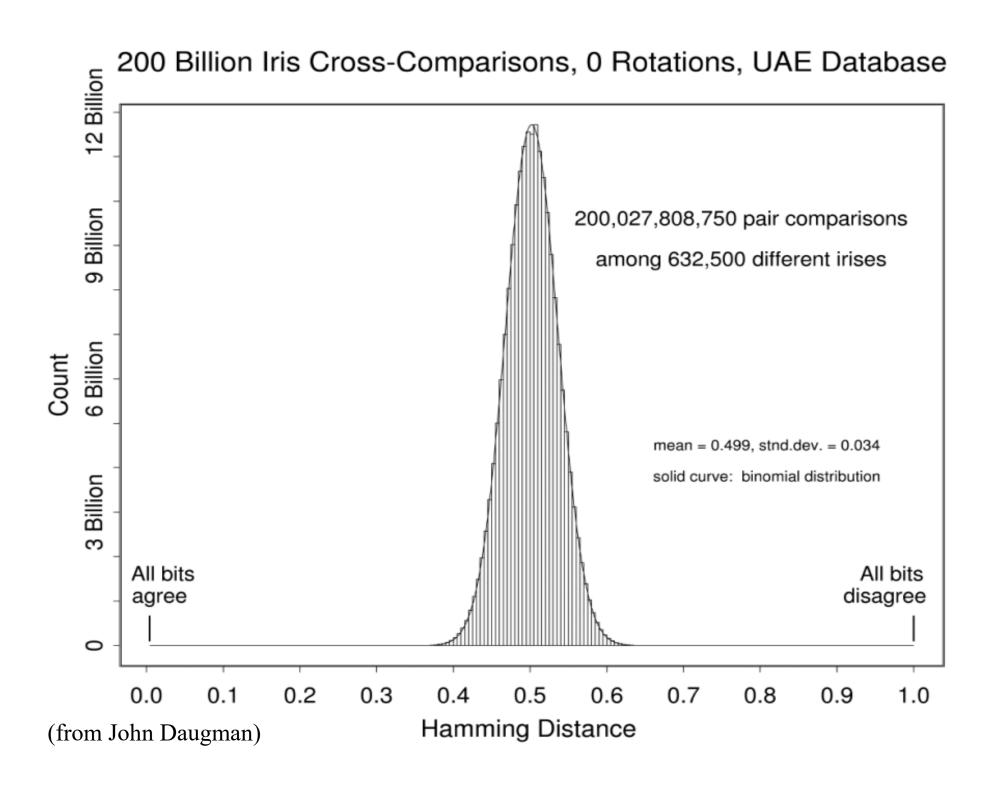
## **Examples of IrisCodes**



Pictorial Examples of four IrisCodes

#### IrisCode Bit Probabilities





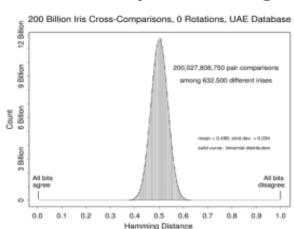
### IrisCode Bit Comparisons are Bernoulli Trials

Jacob Bernoulli (1645-1705) analyzed coin-tossing and derived the binomial distribution. If the probability of "heads" is p, then the likelihood that a fraction x = m/N out of N tosses will turn up "heads" is:



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$$P(x) = \frac{N!}{m!(N-m)!} p^m (1-p)^{(N-m)} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1$$



(from John Daugman)

### IrisCode Logic and Normalizations

Logic for computing raw Hamming Distance scores, incorporating masks:

$$HD_{\text{raw}} = \frac{\|(codeA \otimes codeB) \cap maskA \cap maskB\|}{\|maskA \cap maskB\|}$$

where  $\otimes$  is Exclusive-OR,  $\cap$  is AND, and  $\| \|$  is the count of 'set' bits.

Score re-normalisation to compensate for number of bits compared:

$$HD_{\text{norm}} = 0.5 - (0.5 - HD_{\text{raw}})\sqrt{\frac{n}{911}}$$

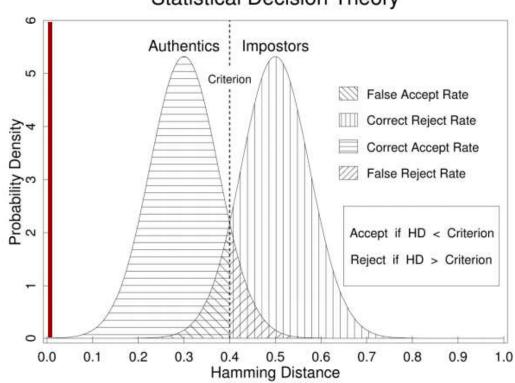
Decision Criterion normalisation by database size and query rate:

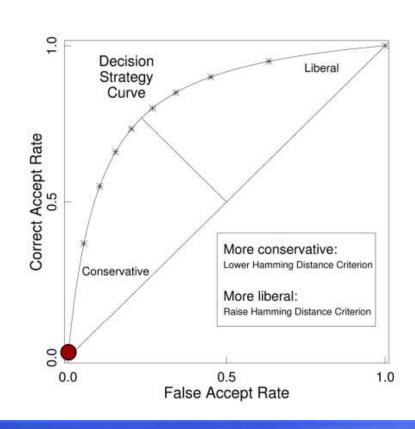
$$HD_{\text{Crit}} \sim 0.32 - 0.012 \log_{10}(N \times M)$$

where N is the search database size, M is the number of queries to be compared against the full database, while requiring nil False Matches

### Distribution of HDs and Decision

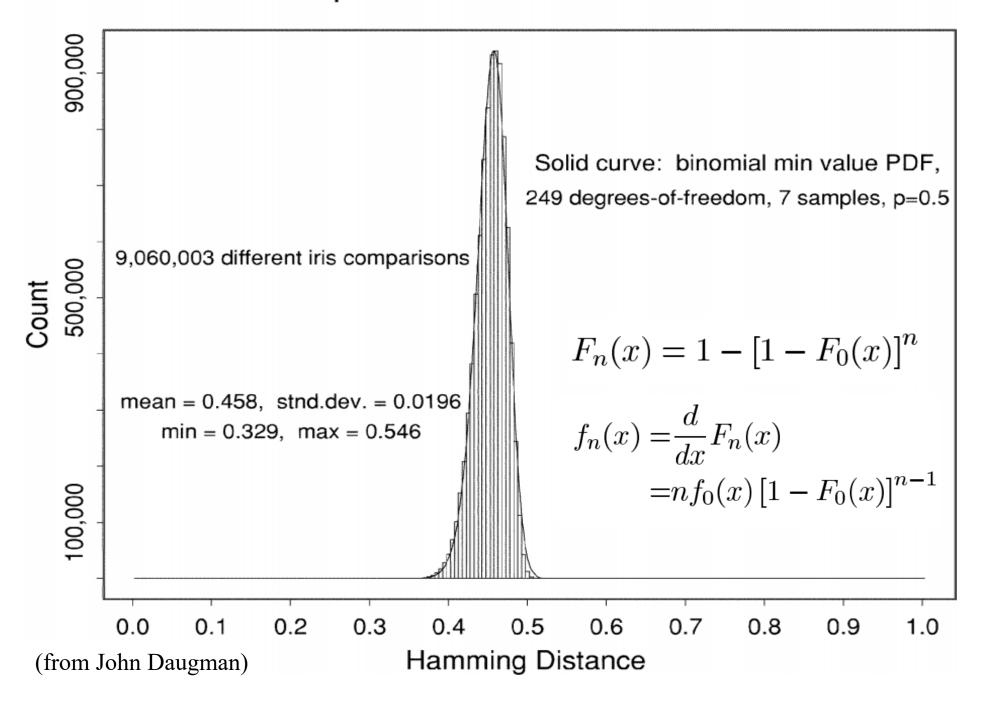
#### Statistical Decision Theory



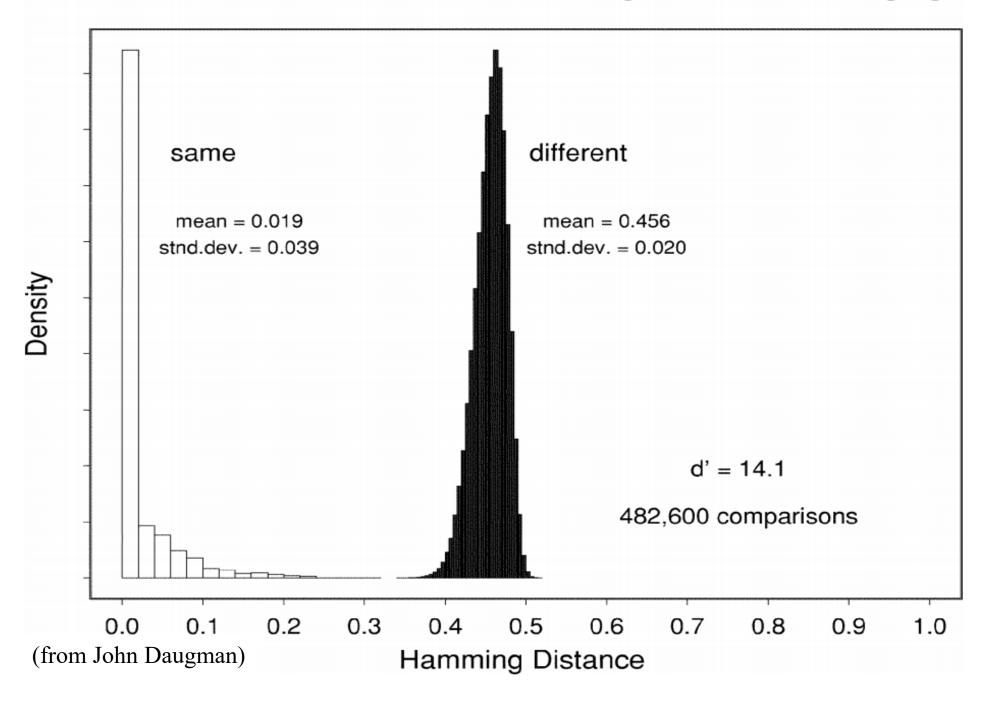


(from John Daugman)

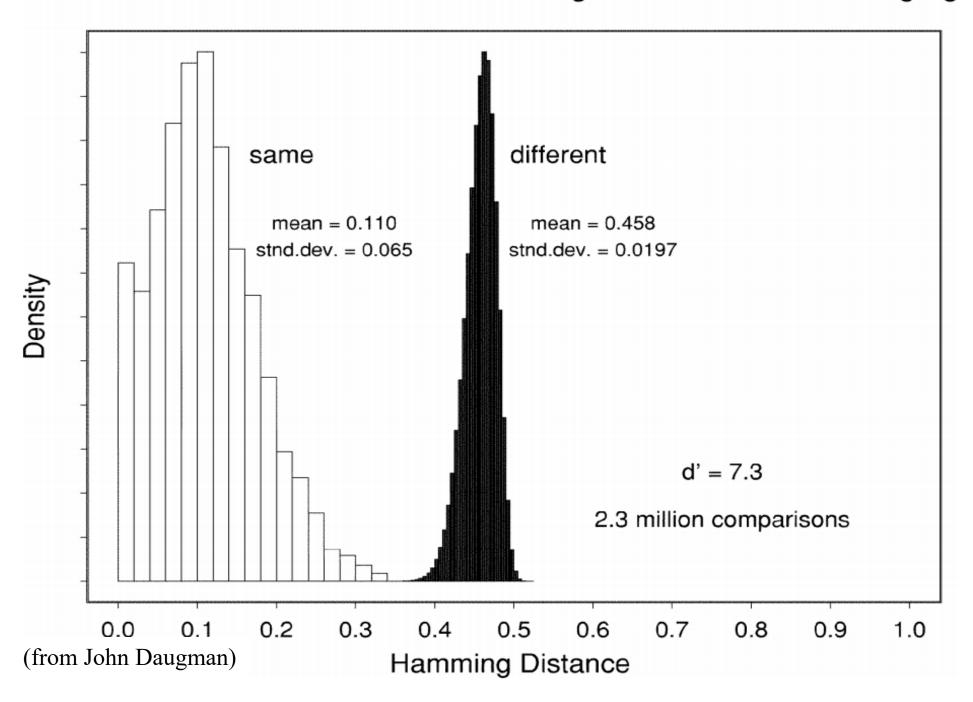
### IrisCode Comparisons after Rotations: Best Matches

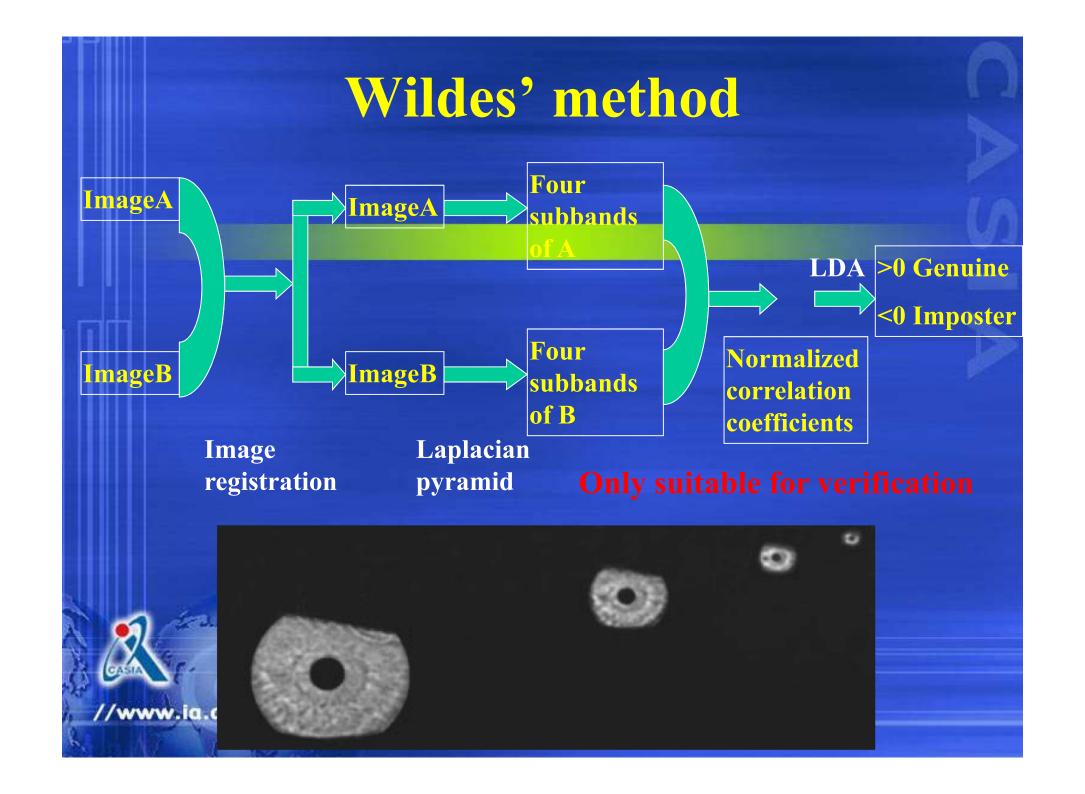


### Decision Environment for Iris Recognition: Ideal Imaging



### Decision Environment for Iris Recognition: Non-Ideal Imaging

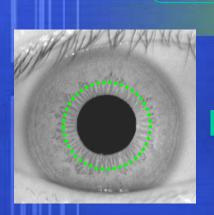


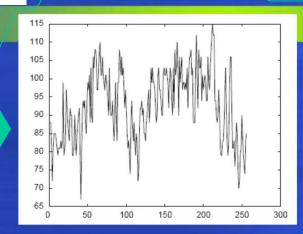


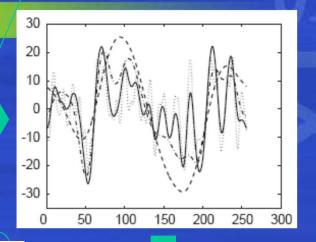
#### Boles' method

1D Signal Sampling

Wavelet transform



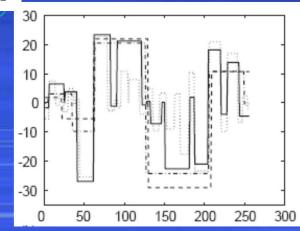




$$\begin{split} d_{j}^{(1)}(f,g) &= \min_{m} \sum_{n=1}^{N} |Z_{j}f(n) - \Gamma Z_{j}g(n+m)|^{2} \\ &m \in [0,N-1] \\ d_{j}^{(2)}(f,g) &= \\ &\sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ m \text{in } m}} \frac{\sum_{r=1}^{R_{j}} \{[\mu_{j}(r)]_{f}[\rho_{j}(r)]_{f} - \Gamma[\mu_{j}(r+m)]_{g}[\rho_{j}(r+m)]_{g}\}^{2}}{\Gamma \sum_{r=1}^{R_{j}} |[\mu_{j}(r)]_{f}[\rho_{j}(r)]_{f}| |[\mu_{j}(r)]_{g}[\rho_{j}(r)]_{g}|} \\ &m \in [0,R_{j}-1] \end{split}$$

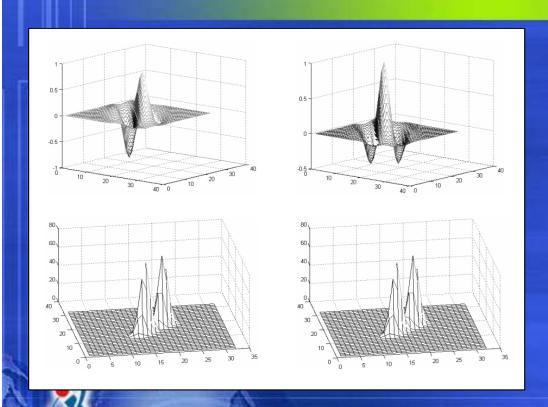
Zero-crossing representation

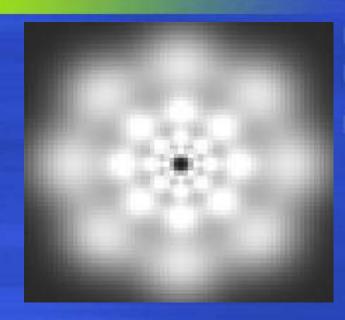




### Gabor based iris texture analysis

-Multi-channel Gabor filtering-





Totally 16 Gabor channels (4 orientations, 4 frequencies)

L. Ma, T. Tan, Y. Wang and D. Zhang, "Personal Identification Based on Iris Texture Analysis", IEEE Trans. on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI), Vol. 25, No. 12, pp.1519-1533, 2003.

#### Gabor based iris texture analysis

#### -Results-

Recognition results as a function of Gabor orientation

Orientation	00	450	900	135 <sup>0</sup>	All orientations
CCR	86.90%	81.89%	60.55%	82.22%	94.91%
DI	2.80	2.69	2.23	2.70	3.50

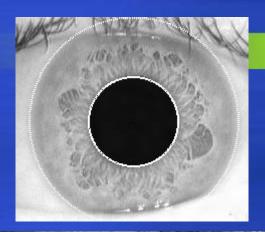
1. Iris texture feature along angular direction is the most informative.

Recognition results as a function of Gabor frequency

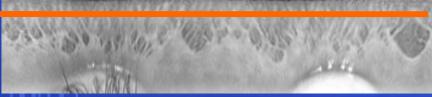
Frequency	$2\sqrt{2}$	$4\sqrt{2}$	$8\sqrt{2}$	$16\sqrt{2}$	All frequencies
CCR	90.14%	91.92%	79.71%	53.68%	94.91%
DL	3.35	3.28	2.46	1.91	3.50

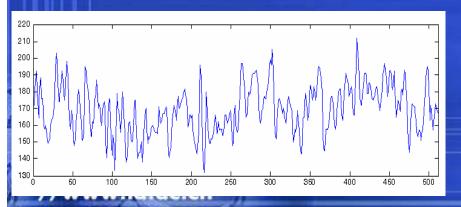
2. Most of the distinctive features of iris texture are in low- and medium- frequencies.

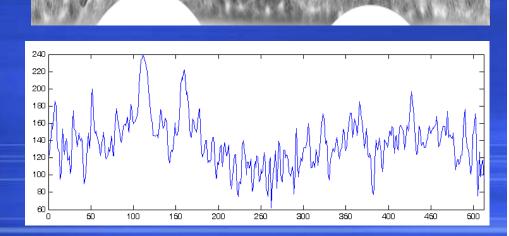
### Gaussian-Hermite moments based method —1D signal representation—





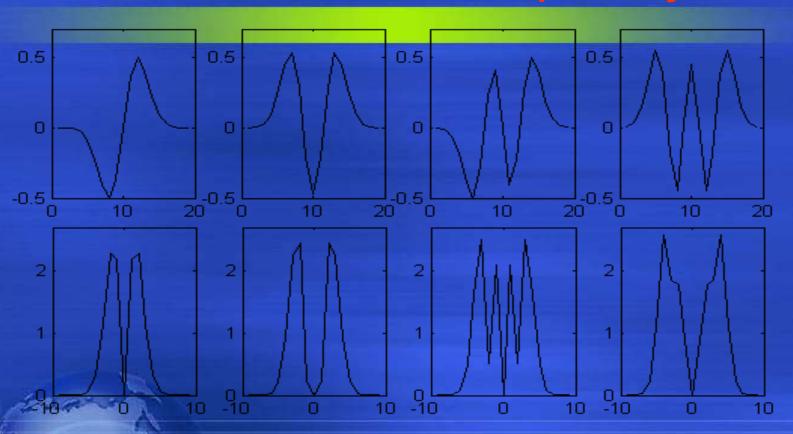






#### Gaussian-Hermite moments based method

-GH moments used for shape analysis-



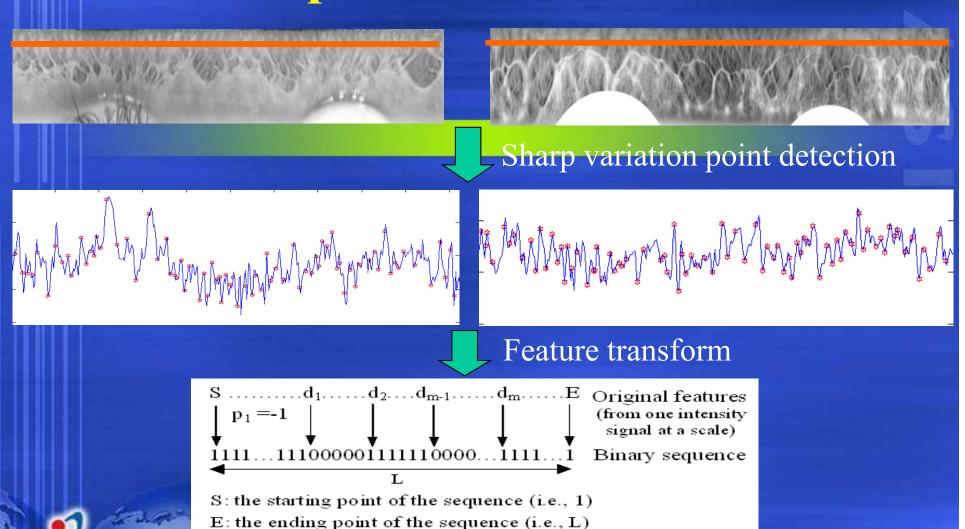
L. Ma, T. Tan, D. Zhang and Y. Wang, "Local Intensity Variation Analysis for Iris Recognition", Pattern Recognition, Vol.37, No.6, pp. 1287-1298, 2004.

#### Gaussian-Hermite moments based method

-Conclusions-

Compared with texture features, features based on local intensity variations are more effective for recognition. This is because texture features are incapable of precisely capturing local fine changes of the iris since texture is by nature a regional image property.

### Local sharp variation based method



Li Ma, Tieniu Tan, Yunhong Wang and Dexin Zhang, "Efficient Iris Recognition by Characterizing Key Local Variations", IEEE Trans. on Image Processing, Vol. 13, No.6, pp. 739-750, 2004.

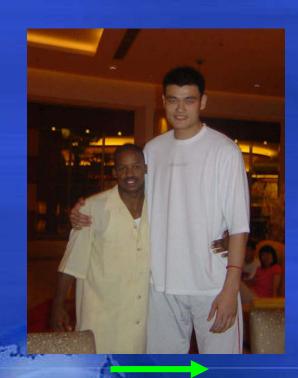
# Two important questions in iris recognition

- Why do some iris recognition algorithms perform better (e.g., why is Daugman's IrisCode so good)?
- How to do better than the best (e.g., can we possibly outperform Daugman's misCode)?

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## Ordinal measures (OM) in everyday life





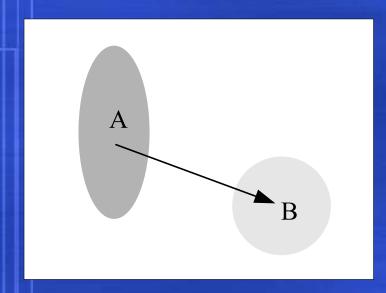


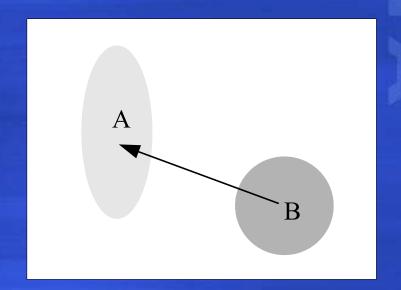
Weight

Height



# Ordinal measures in visual images





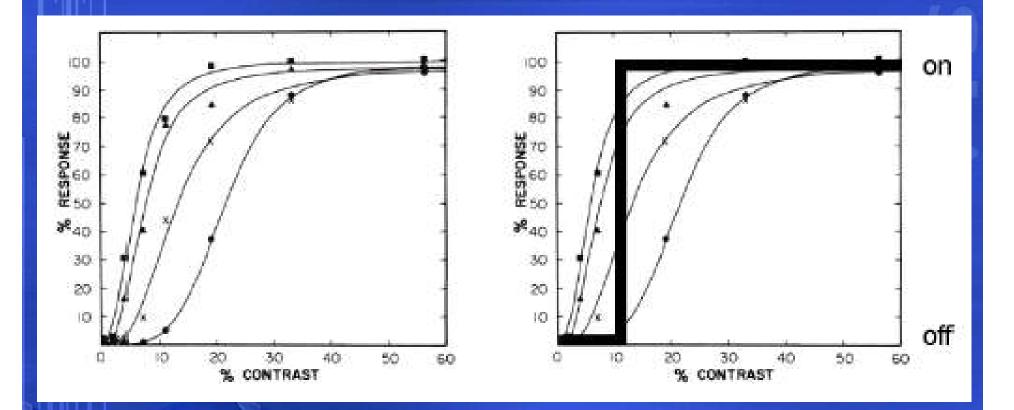
A≺B

 $A \succ B$ .

one bit code 0

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#### OM in the biological vision system

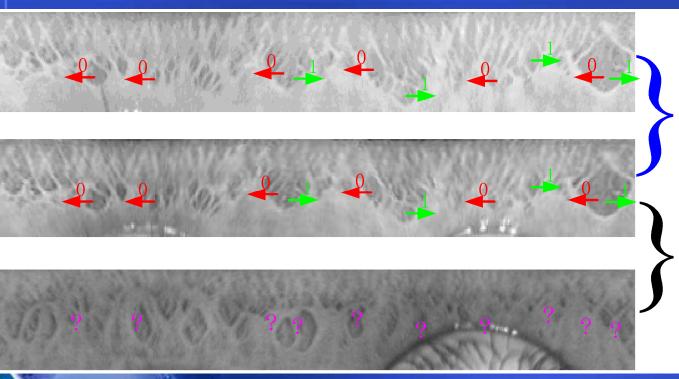


Duane G. Albrecht and David B. Hamilton. Striate cortex of the monkey and cat: Contrast response function. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 48(1):217–237, July 1982.

# Desirable properties of ordinal representation

- Discriminating
- **Robust**
- **Computationally simple**
- **■**Memory efficient
- **■**Biologically plausible



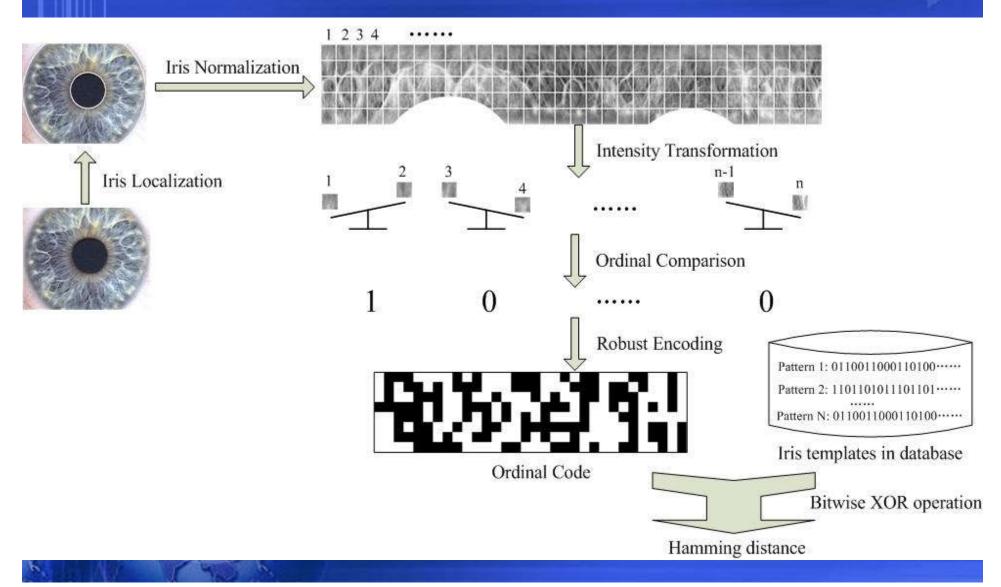


Same eye

**Different eye** 

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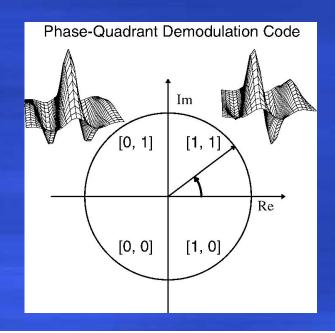
### A General Framework for Iris Recognition Based on OM





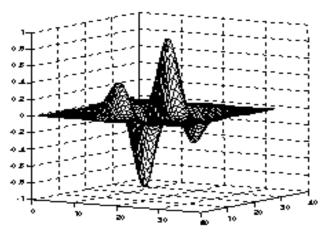
## Phase demodulation based on Gabor filters ( Daugman )

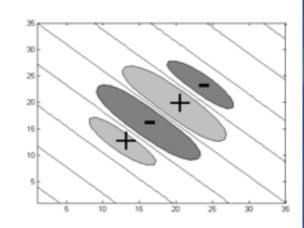




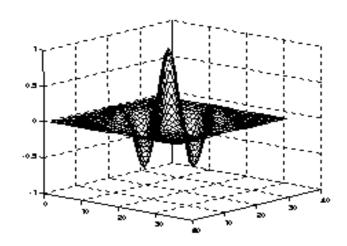
$$HD = \frac{\|(codeA \otimes codeB) \bigcap maskA \bigcap maskB\|}{\|maskA \bigcap maskB\|}$$

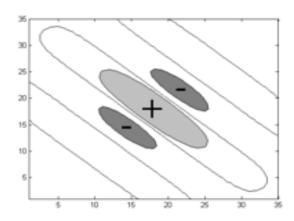
## Gabor filter + phase demodulation is an ordinal operator





**Odd Gabor filter** 



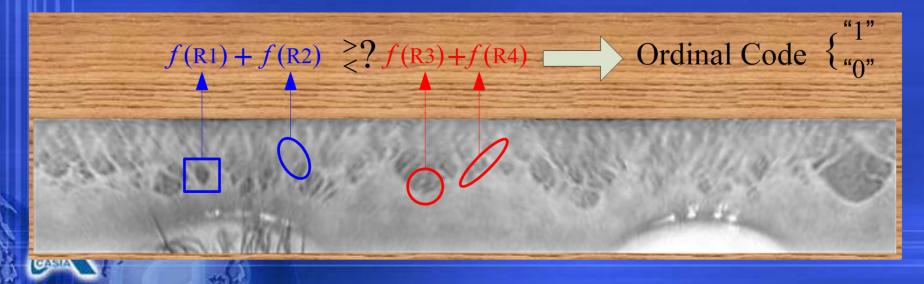




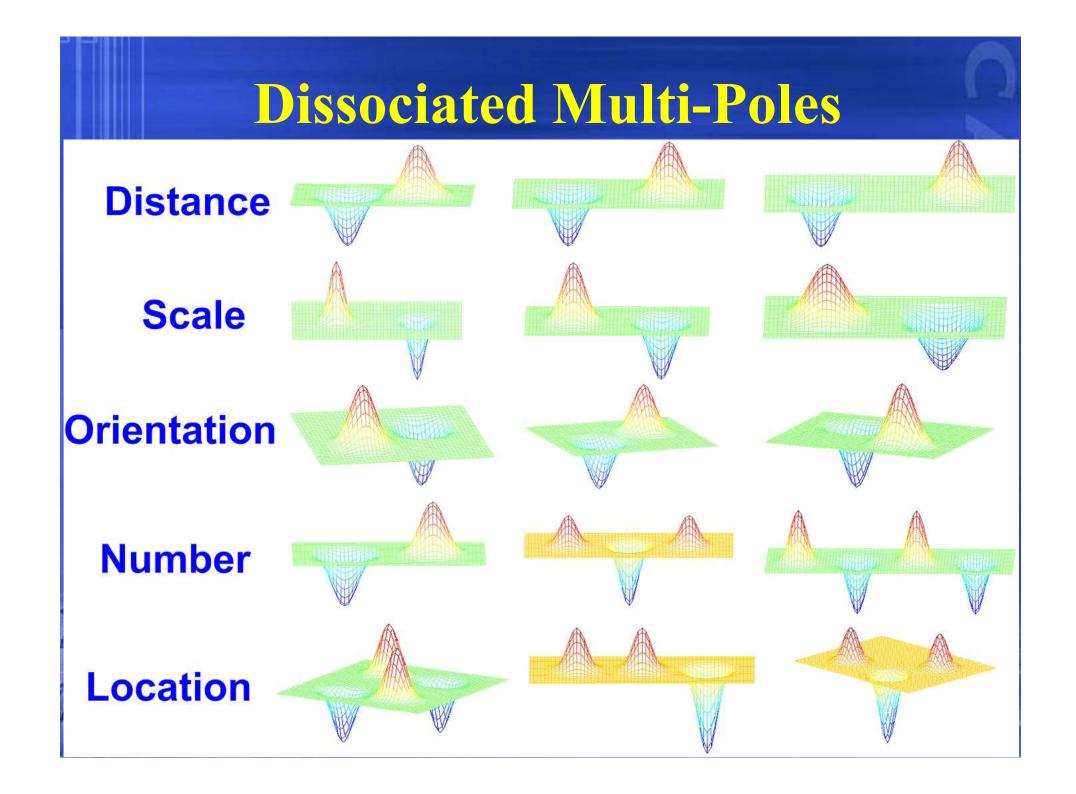


#### Variables in ordinal feature extraction

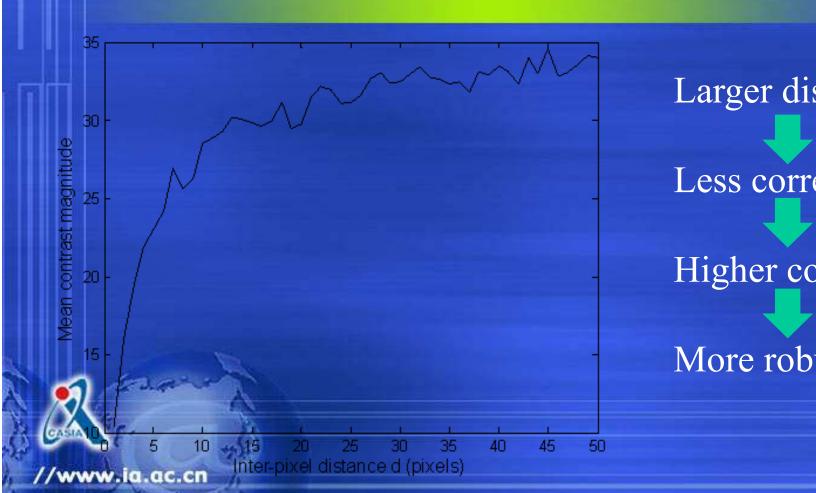
- Location of image regions
- Shape of image regions
- Features of image regions



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#### Inter-pixel contrast magnitude of iris image as a function of inter-pixel distance



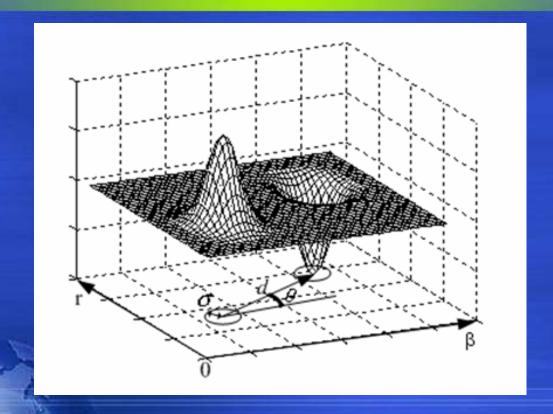
Larger distance

Less correlation

Higher contrast

More robust OM

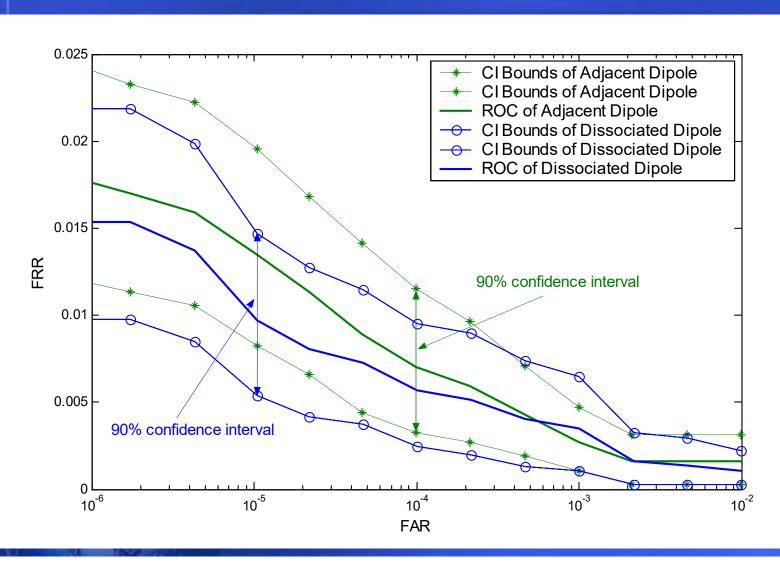
### Local ordinal measures vs. Non-local ordinal measures



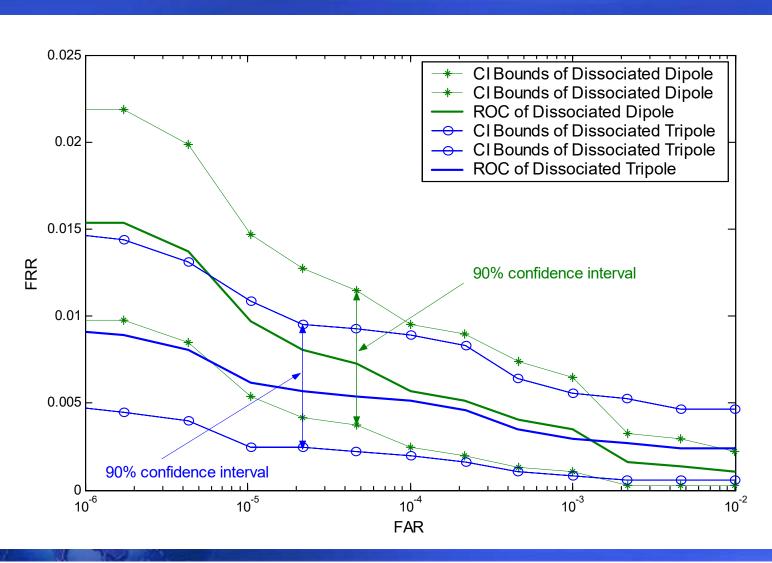
Dissociated Dipoles (from P. Sinha)

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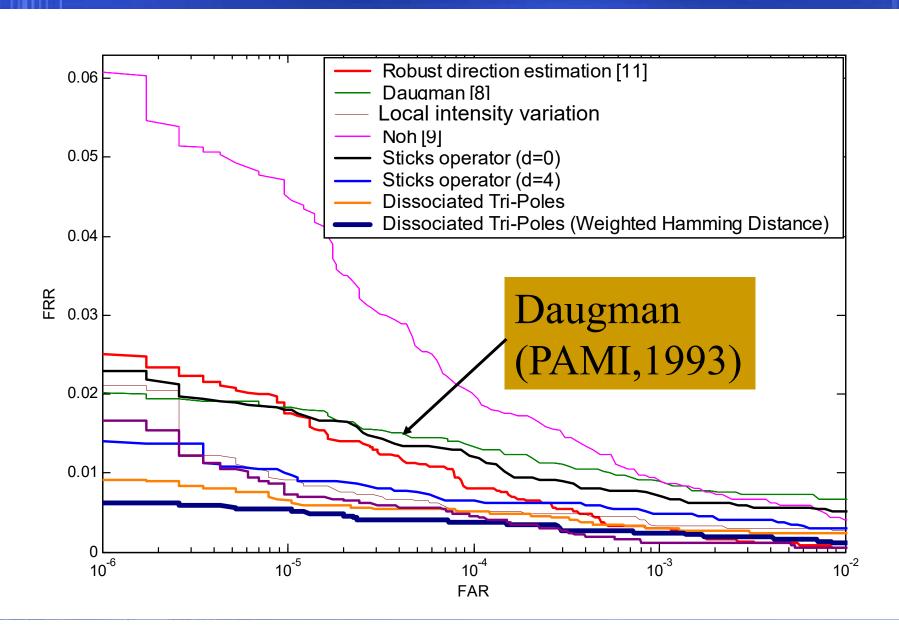
### Local ordinal measures vs. Non-local ordinal measures

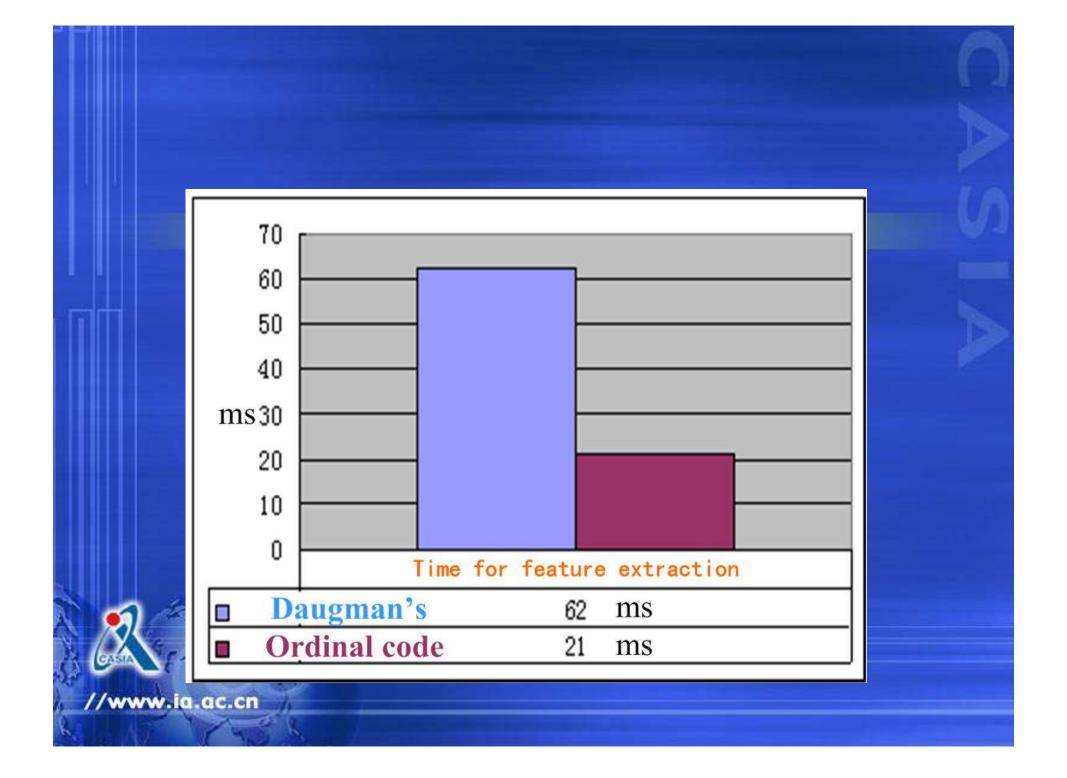


## Dissociated Dipoles vs. Dissociated Tri-poles



#### State-of-the-art iris recognition performance

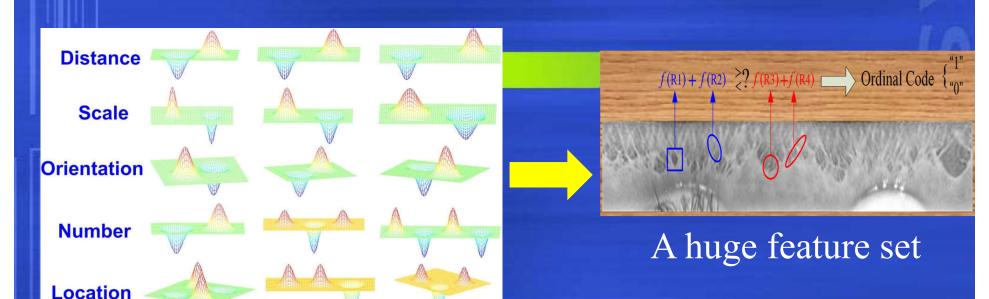




## Ordinal Iris Representation: Conclusions

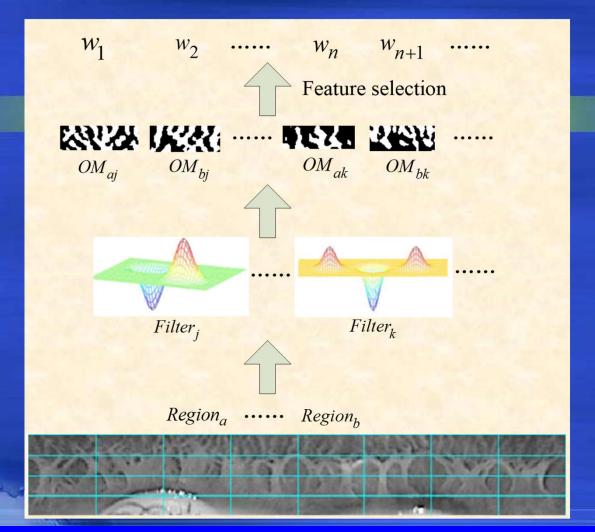
- Ordinal measures appear to be a very promising iris representation scheme.
- Based on OM, some of the best iris recognition algorithms may be unified into a general framework.
- Non-local OM outperforms local OM.
- How to select an optimal subset of OM from the pool of DMP ordinal filters to construct a strong classifier and important problem to study in the future.

### The importance of feature selection



- Significant difference between various ordinal features in terms of distinctiveness and robustness.
- Redundancy in the complete set of ordinal feature representation.

### The objective of feature selection



Finding a compact ordinal feature set for accurate classification of intra- and inter-class matching pairs

#### Related work: feature selection

#### Boost

It can not obtain a globally optimal feature set Overfitting of training data

#### Lasso based sparse representation

Non-linear optimization (time-consuming, sensitive to outliers)

The optimization does not take into account the characteristics of image features and biometric

$$f_L = \underset{f}{\arg\min} \{ \|g - Af\|_2^2 + 2\tau |f|_1 \}$$

#### Ordinal feature selection based on linear programming IEEE-TIP2014.

Minimize the misclassification errors of intra- and inter-class matching samples

Enforce weighted sparsity of ordinal feature components

Objective function:

$$\min \left\{ \frac{\lambda^{+}}{N^{+}} \sum_{j=1}^{N^{+}} \xi_{j}^{+} + \frac{\lambda^{-}}{N^{-}} \sum_{k=1}^{N^{-}} \xi_{k}^{-} + \sum_{i=1}^{D} P_{i} w_{i} \right\}$$

Subject to:

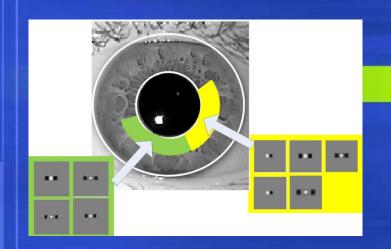
All intra- and inter-class matching samples should be well separated based a large margin on principle

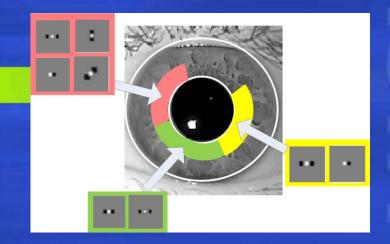
$$\sum_{i=1}^{D} w_i x_{ij}^+ \le \alpha + \xi_j^+, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N^+$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{D} w_i x_{ik}^- \ge \beta - \xi_k^-, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N^-$$

$$\xi_{j}^{+} \geq 0$$
,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, N^{+}$   
 $\xi_{k}^{-} \geq 0$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, N^{-}$   
 $w_{i} \geq 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, D$   
Slack variables

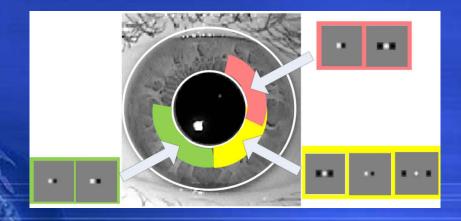
#### Feature selection results for iris biometrics





LP-OM

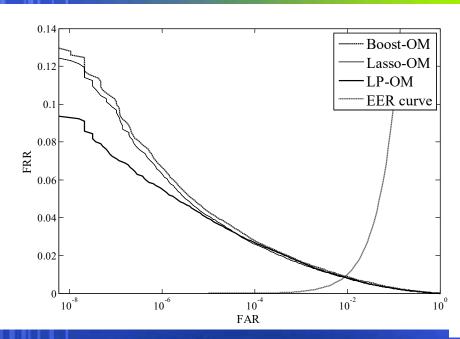
Lasso-OM

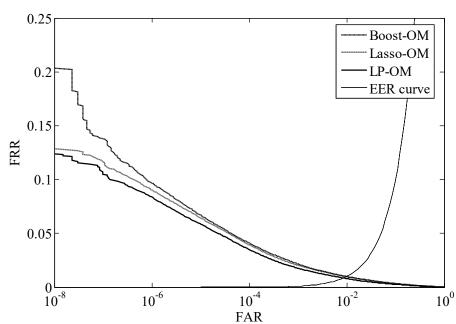


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**Boost-OM** 

# Performance comparison for iris recognition





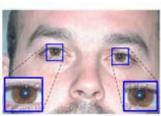
CASIA-Iris-Thousand

CASIA-Iris-Lamp

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#### Heterogeneous Iris Images









Surveillance

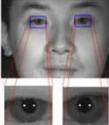






Heterogeneous **Iris Images** 







Mobile





Iris at a distance





Close-range iris sensors



#### Recognition of Heterogeneous Iris Images

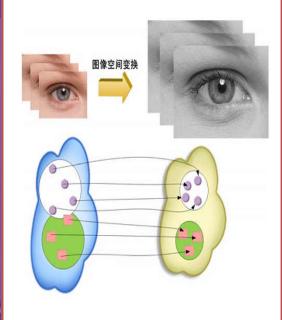
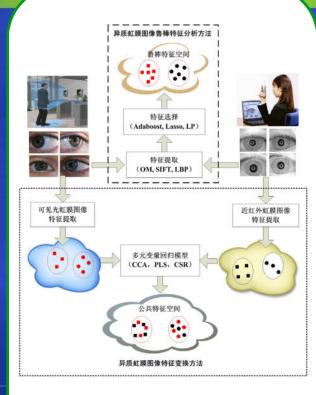
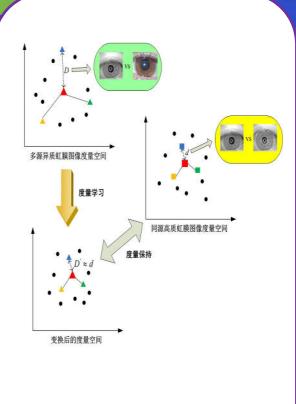


Image level



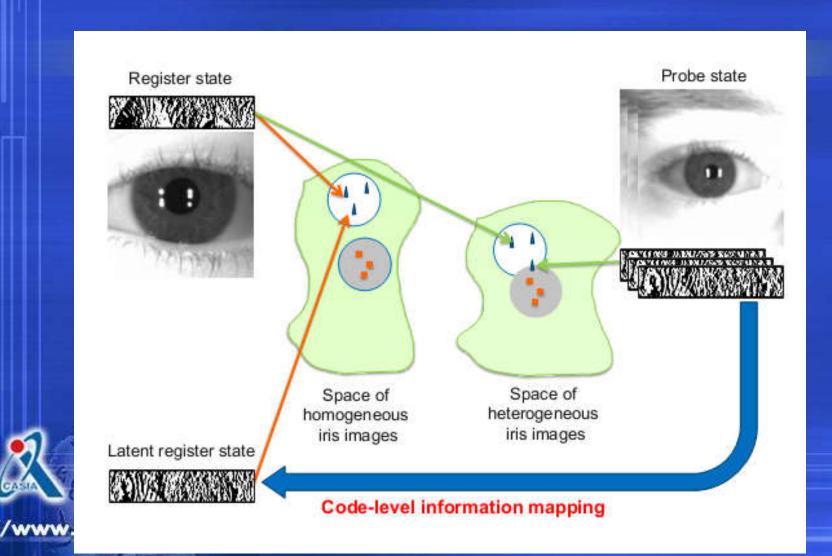
Feature level



Metric level

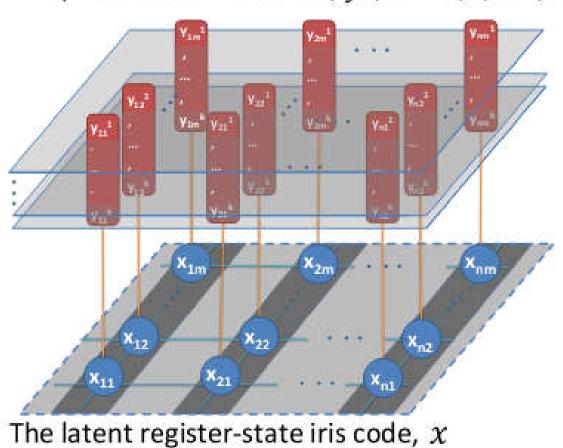
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## **Code-level Information Mapping for Heterogeneous Iris Recognition**



### Markov network

The probe-state iris codes,  $y^i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., M

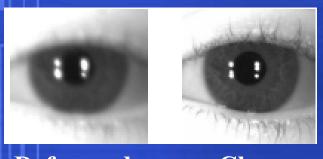


#### **Cross-sensor Iris Recognition** Genuine Acceptance Rate (%) 60.0 6 EER -Baseline PLCS [11] FLCS [22] Proposed 0.93 Proposed+FS [22] 0.92 10-4 10-3 10-2 10-1 10° False Acceptance Rate (%)

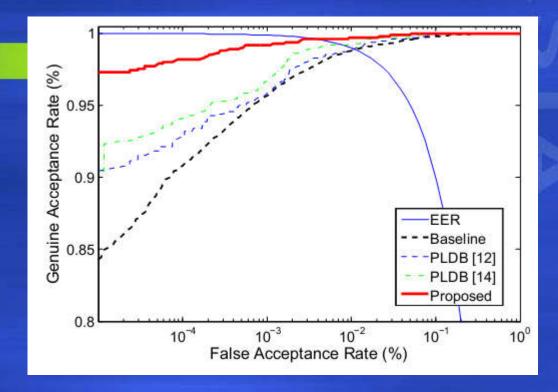
[11] S. S. Arora, M. Vatsa, R. Singh, and A. Jain, "On iris camera interoperability," in *Int'l Conf. on Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems.* (*BTAS*). IEEE, 2012, pp. 346–352.

[22] L. Xiao, Z. Sun, and T. Tan, "Coupled feature selection for cross-sensor iris recognition," in *IEEE Int'l Conf. on Biometrics: Theory Applications and Systems. (BTAS).* IEEE, 2013.

# Cross-quality Iris Recognition



**Defocused** Clear



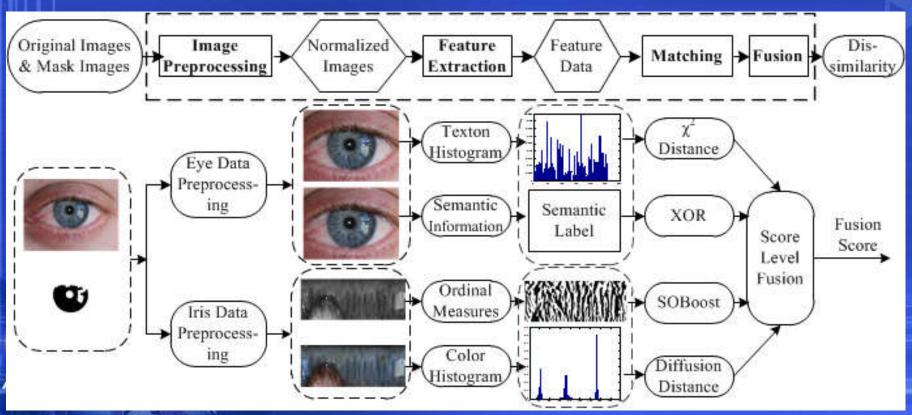
- [12] B. Kang and K. Park. Real-time image restoration for iris recognition systems. IEEE Trans. on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, Part B: Cybernetics, , 37(6):1555–1566, 2007.
- [14] J. Liu, Z. Sun, and T. Tan, "Iris image deblurring based on refinement of point spread function," in *Biometric Recognition*. Springer, 2012, pp. 184–192.

### Noisy Iris Image Matching by Using Multiple Cues



#### **Motivations:**

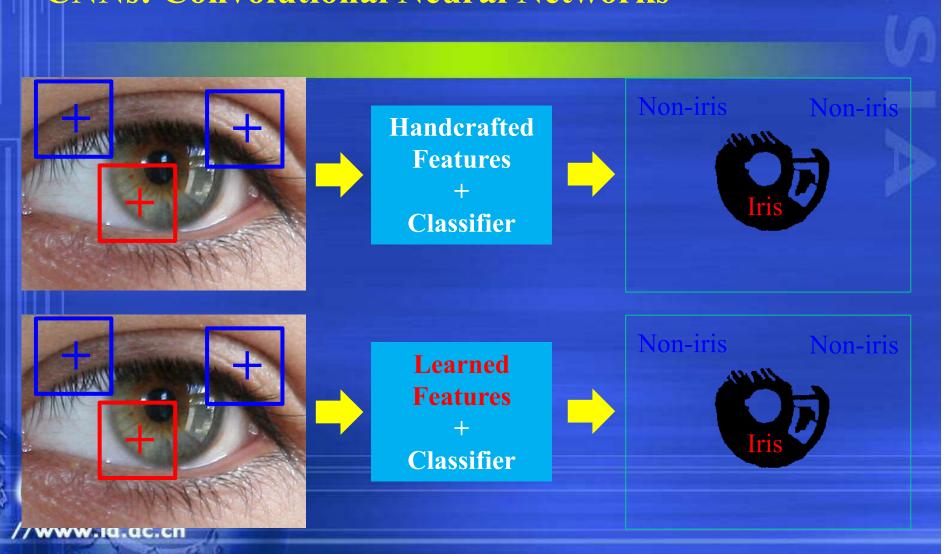
- Long-range personal identification
- Visible light iris images
- Personal identification on the move



# Deep Learning for Iris Recognition

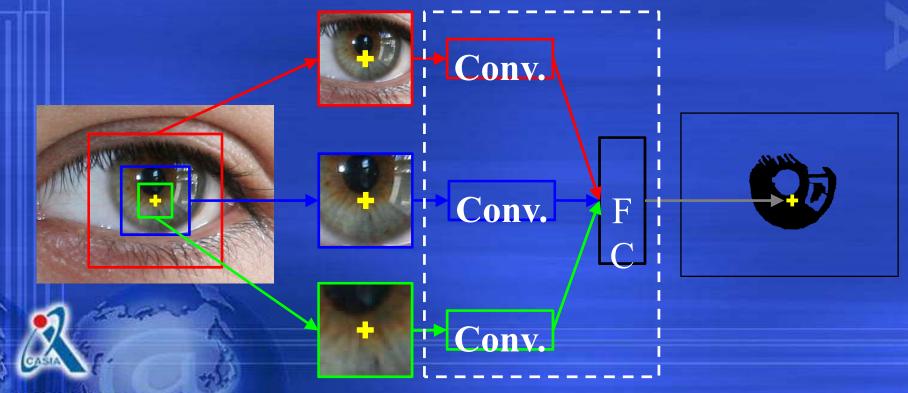
- Deep Learning for Iris Image Segmentation
- Deep Learning for Iris Verification
- Deep Learning for Iris Liveness Detection
- Deep Learning for Gender/Race Classification

# Iris Segmentation Based on Deep CNNs CNNs: Convolutional Neural Networks



# Iris Segmentation Based on Deep CNNs CNNs: Convolutional Neural Networks

#### **Hierarchical Deep CNNs**



### Iris Segmentation Based on Deep CNNs

**Results on the NICE I dataset** 

Classification error: 0.0106, 19% improvement

NICE.I classification.

Rank	Authors	Affiliation	Error
1	Tan et al.	Chinese Academy of Sciences	0,0131
2	Sankowski et al.	Technical University of Lodz	0,0162
3	Pedro Almeida	University of Beira Interior	0,0180







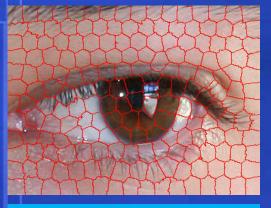


### Iris Segmentation Based on Deep CNNs

Hardware: one NVIDIA TITAN GPU and one Intel i7 CPU

Elapsed time: about 30s per image

Reduce the number of pixels that need to be classified.







Coarse Loc.

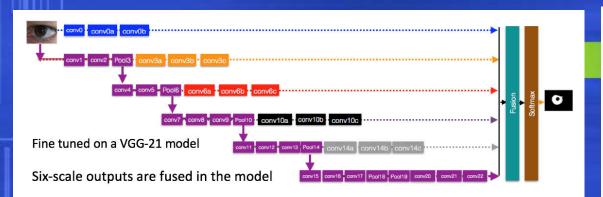


Fine Seg.

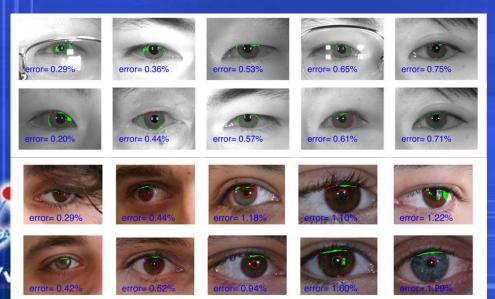
The elapsed time is reduced to 8s with nearly the same segmentation accuracy.

### 基于深度神经网络的噪声虹膜图像分割

Multi-scale fully convolutional networks (MFCNs), more accurate and 1800 times faster than HCNNs

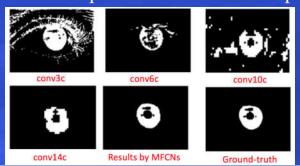


Segmentation results
(The red and green points are false-accept and false-reject points)



# International Conference on Biometrics June 13–16, 2016, Halmstad, Sweden Best Biometric Student Paper Award (BBSPA) presented to Nianfeng Liu, Haiqing Li, Man Zhang, Jing Liu, Zhenan Sun, Tieniu Tan (Chinese Academy of Sciences) for the work entitled: "Accurate Iris Segmentation in Non-cooperative Environments Using Fully Convolutional Networks" Ingela Nystrem, IAPR President Avun Ross, IAPR TC4 Chair Halmstad, June 16, 2016

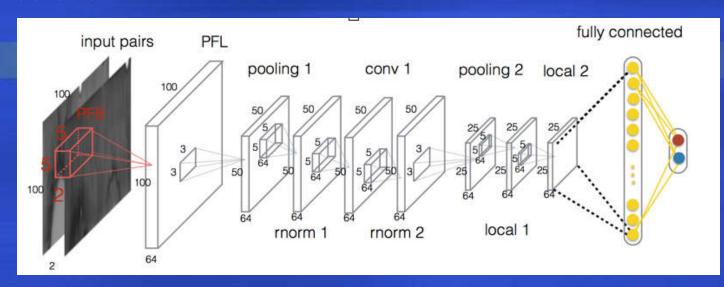
#### Feature maps from shallow to deep



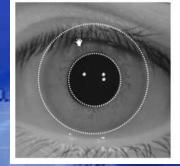
	UBIRIS.v2	CASIA.v4
Method	error(%)	error(%)
Ours MFCNs	0.90	0.59
Ours HCNNs	1.11	1.08
Z. Zhao and A. Kumar, ICCV, 2015 [33]	1.21	0.68
T. Tan et al., IVC, 2009 [28]	1.31	lo <del>n</del> .
C. Tan and A. Kumar, T-IP, 2013 [27]	1.72	0.81
H. Proença, T-PAMI, 2010 [19]	1.87	
C. Tan and A. Kumar, T-IP, 2012 [26]	1.90	1.13

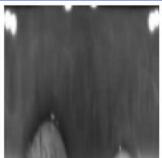
### Iris Verification Based on Deep CNNs

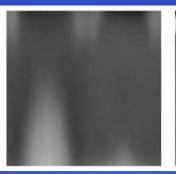
Architecture

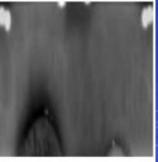


#### Iris images preprocessing:









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Normalization

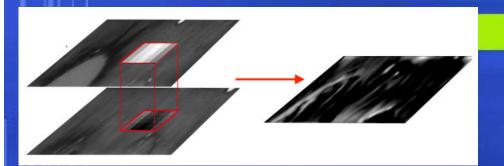
Mean image

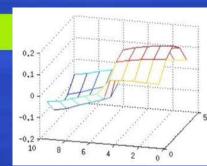
Subtract the mean image

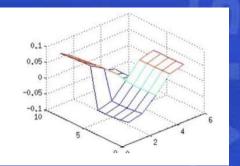
### Iris Verification Based on Deep CNNs

The first convolutional layer

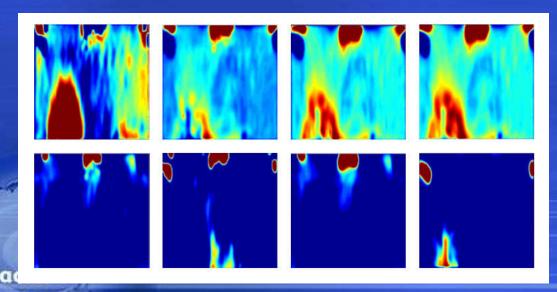
Learned differential filters







The feature maps after the first layer filtering



Inter-class

Intra-class

### Iris Verification Based on Deep CNNs

Test on the QFIRE database images are captured at different distance

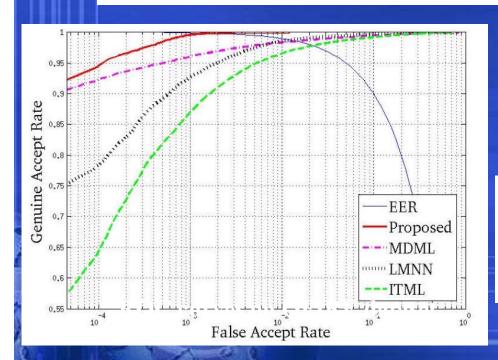
14	number of classes	number of images
05 feet-train	100	1680
05 feet-test	60	911
11 feet-train	100	1568
11 feet-test	60	966



5 feet



11 feet

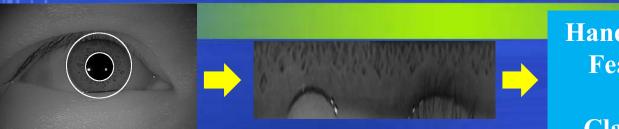


Hardware: one NVIDIA Titan GPU and one Intel i7 CPU Elapsed time: 0.7ms per pair

Methods	EER
ITML (Davis et al., 2007)	2.35%
LMNN (Weinberger et al., 2005)	1.73%
MDML (Liu et al., 2014)	1.67%
Proposed	0.15%

#### **Iris Liveness Detection Based on CNNs**

Traditional iris liveness detection methods



Handcrafted
Features
+
Classifier



Normalized in polar coordinates

Our CNN based iris liveness detection method









Learned
Features
+
Classifier

**CNNs** 



Genuine or Fake

Normalized in Cartesian

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#### **Iris Liveness Detection Based on CNNs**

#### Test on the combined CASIA-Iris-Fake database

Correct Classification Rate (CCR)

Method	Weighted LBP	Learned iris texton	HVC	HVC with SPM	CNNs
CCR (%)	95.34	98.93	99.51	99.79	99.48

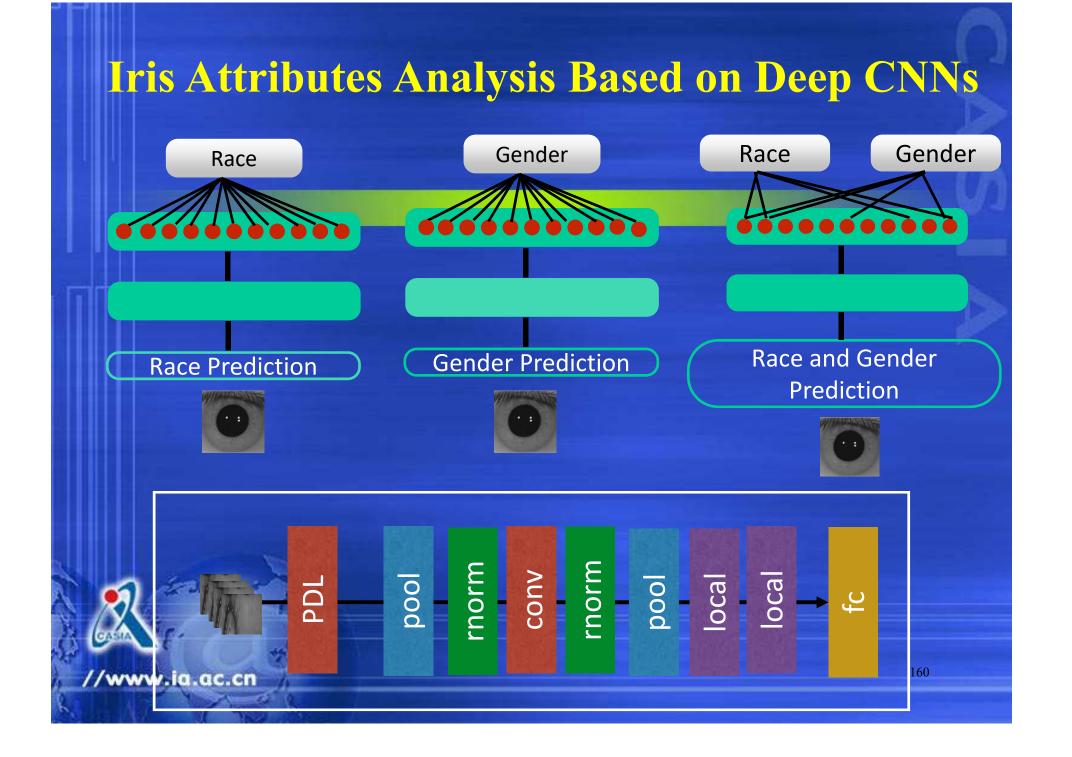
#### Test on the LIVDET-IRIS-2013 Warsaw database

FAR: Rate of misclassified live iris images

FRR: Rate of misclassified spoof iris images

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	Method	ATVS	Federico	Porto	CNNs
•	FAR (%)	26.28	21.15	5.23	3.61
10	FRR (%)	7.68	0.65	11.93	0.88



### Iris Attributes Analysis Based on Deep CNNs





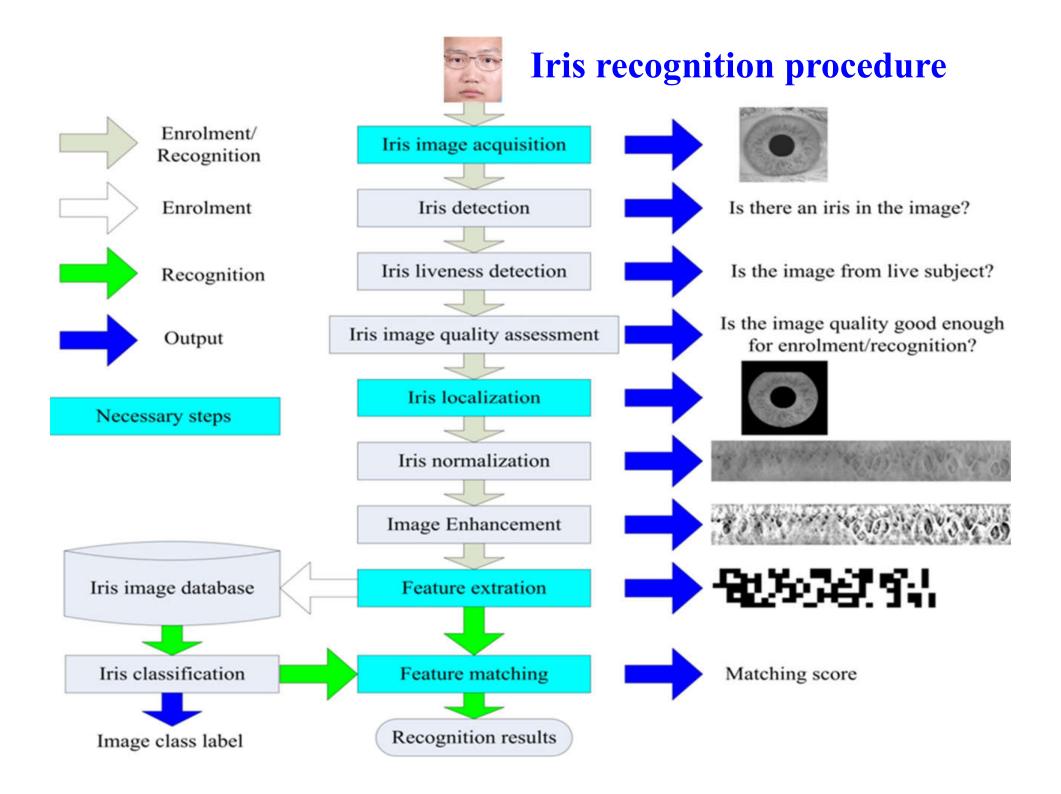


6 Iris	Race-Han	Race-Zang	Race-Meng
Male	404 subjects	178 subjects	58 subjects
	8068 images	3560 images	1160 images
Female	266 subjects	124 subjects	72 subjects
	5318 images	2480 images	1439 images
Total	670 subjects	302 subjects	130 subjects
	13386 images	6040 images	2599 images

### Iris Attributes Analysis Based on Deep CNNs

#### Correct classification rate:

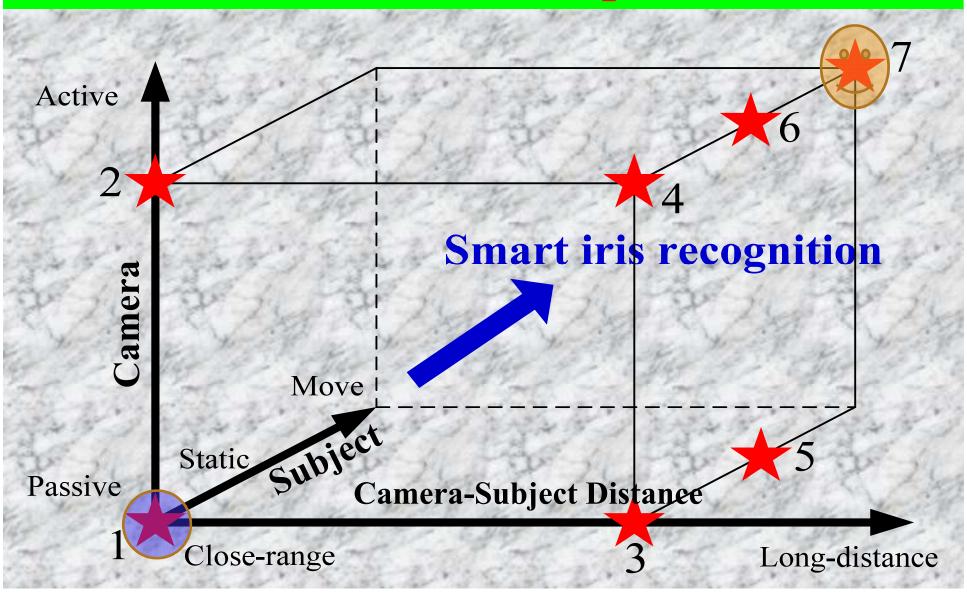
Race prediction	98.09%	
Gender prediction	98.46%	
Race and gender (Multi-task)	Race: 99.05% Gender: 99.23%	

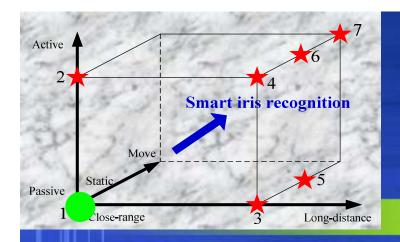


# Outline of Talk

- Preamble
- Iris image acquisition
- Iris image preprocessing
- Iris pattern recognition
- Roadmap of iris recognition
- Resources and conclusions

# Where Now and What Next: IR Roadmap





# Stage 1: Close-range iris recognition

#### **Main features**

Camera: Passive

(Fixed lens/No PTZ)

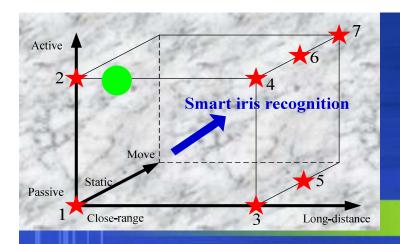
Distance: Close-range

Depth of field: Small

Motion: Static

Subject: Single





# Stage 2: Active iris recognition

#### **Main features**

Camera: Active (PTZ, face + iris camera)

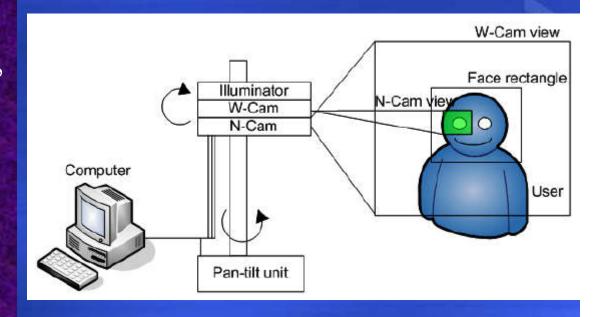
Distance: close to

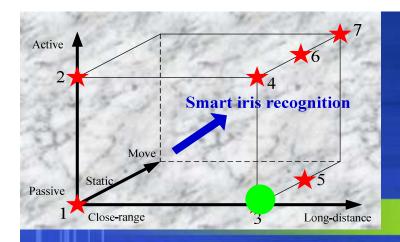
mid-range

Depth of field: Large

Motion: Static

Subject: Single





# Stage 3: Iris recognition at a distance

#### Main features

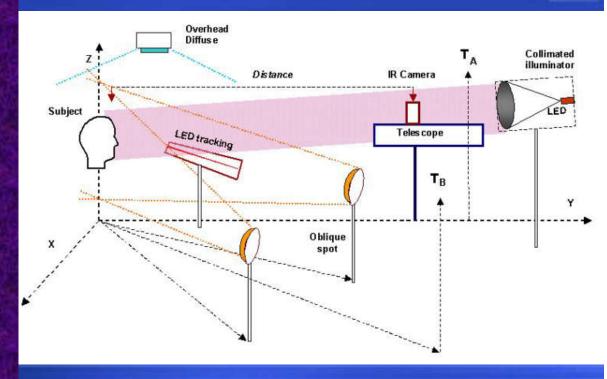
Camera: Passive (one fixed lens cam)

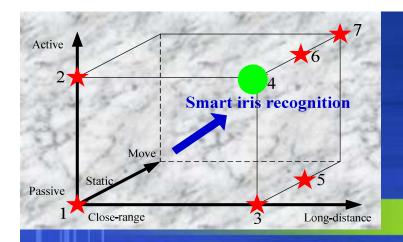
Distance: Long-range

Depth of field: Small

Motion: Static

Subject: Single





# Stage 4: Active iris recognition at distance

#### Main features

Camera: Active (face cam + High-res iris cam)

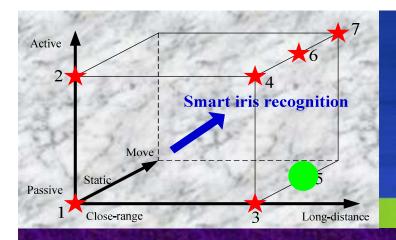
Distance: Long-range

Depth of field: Small

Motion: Static

Subject: Single





# Stage 5: Passive IR on the move

#### Main features

Camera: Passive

(Multi high-res iris cams)

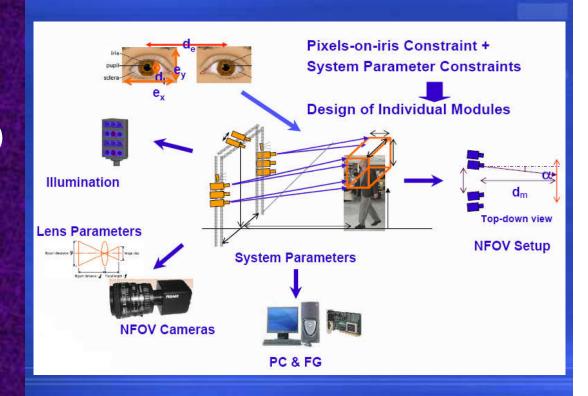
Distance: Long-range

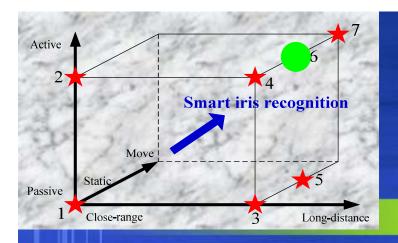
Depth of field: Small

Motion: Walk on defined

path

Subject: Single





# Stage 6: Active IR on the move

#### **Main features**

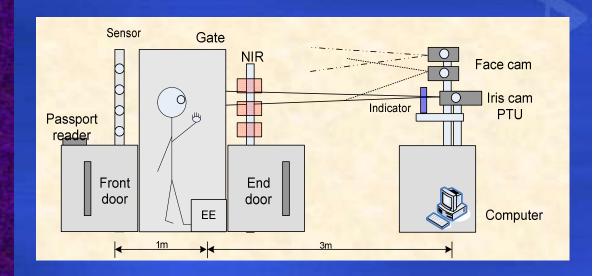
Camera: Active (PTZ, face+iris cam)

Distance: Long-range

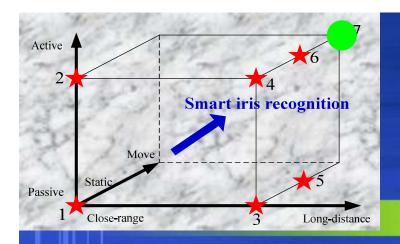
Depth of field: Large

Motion: Walk on defined path

Subject: Single



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# Stage 7: Iris recognition for surveillance

#### Main features

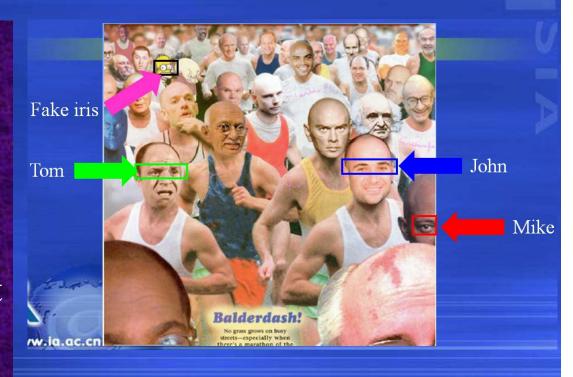
Camera: Active

Distance: Long-range

Depth of field: Large

Motion: Free movement

Subject: Multiple



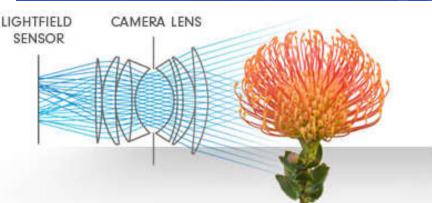


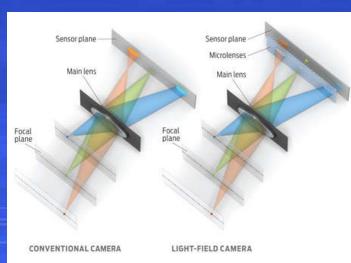




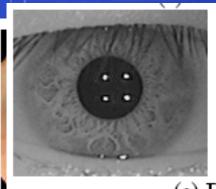
### Light field photography for iris image acquisition



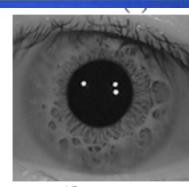


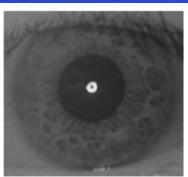


# Robust iris recognition of poor quality iris images



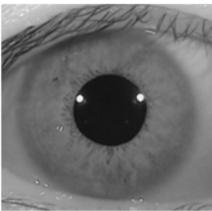






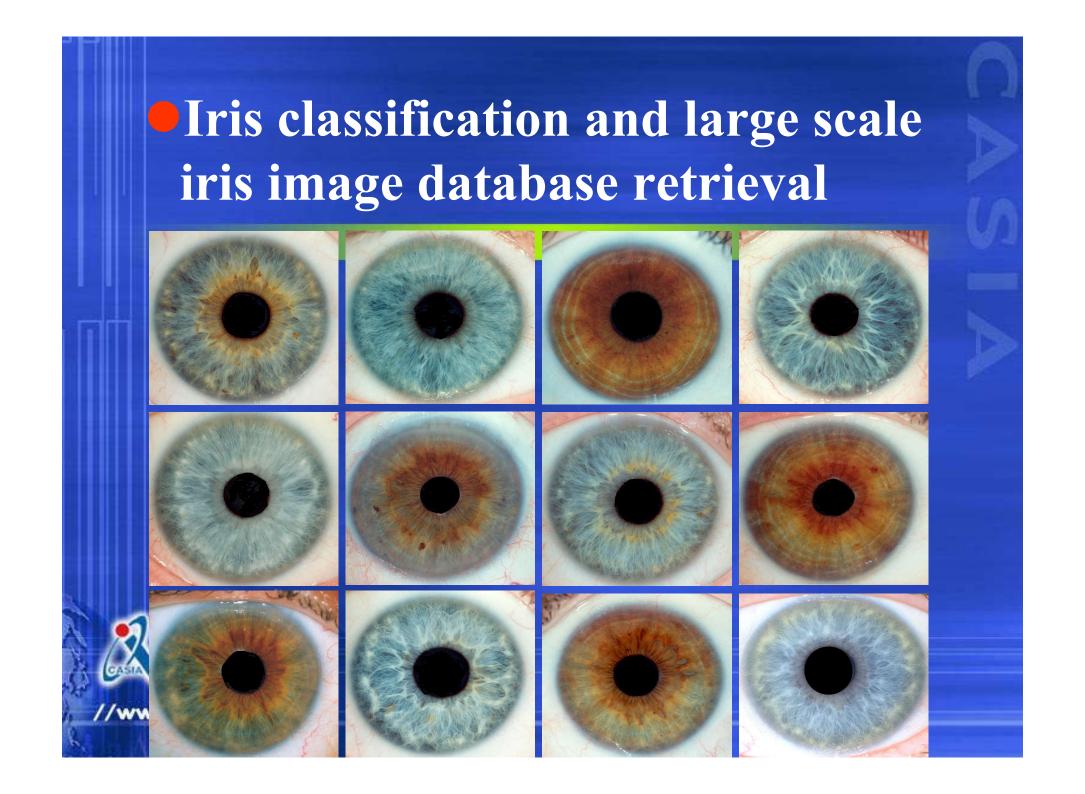
(e) Defocus

(f) Inter-sensor interoperability





(g) Eyeglasses





# Iris recognition for forensic applications

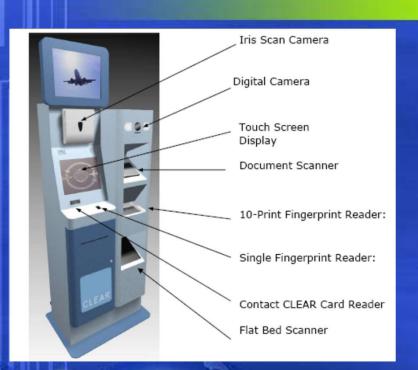


Iris recognition

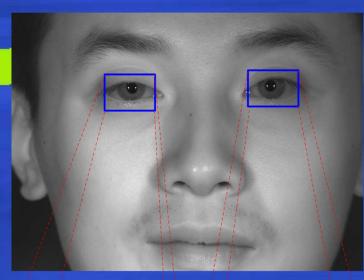


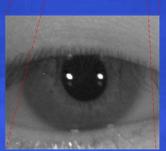


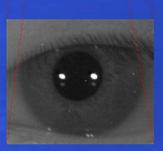
## Multi-modal biometrics





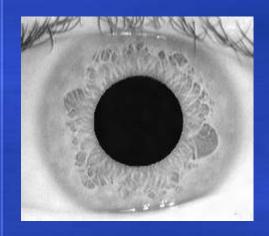






Iris/face/skinprint from one single image







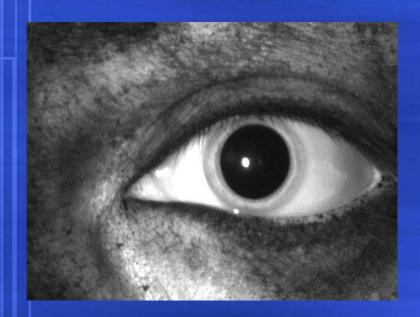
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Biometric key

Watermarking, Information hiding, IP protection, ...







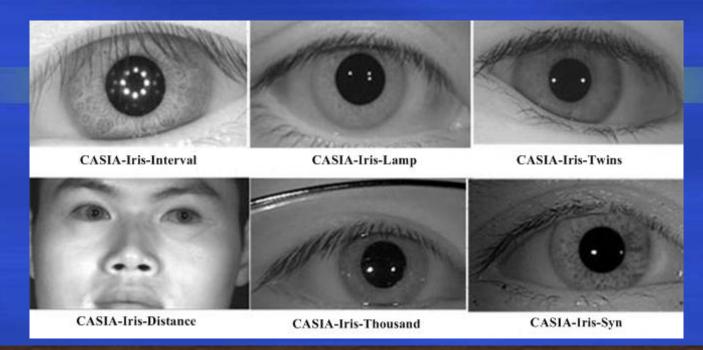
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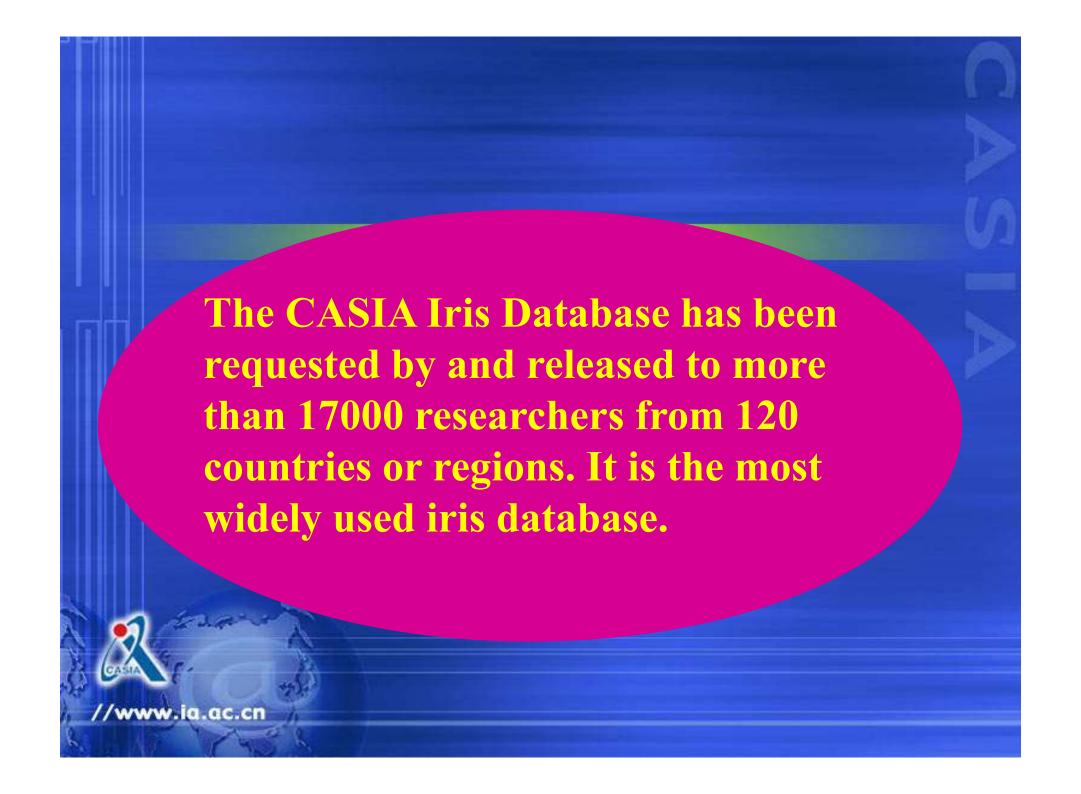
- Preamble
- Iris image acquisition
- Iris image preprocessing
- Iris pattern recognition
- Roadmap of iris recognition
- Resources and conclusions

# CASIA Iris Image Database V4.0



### **Highlights:**

- Interval: cross-session, clear texture iris images
- Lamp: deformed iris images
- Twins: iris image dataset of twins
- Distance: long-range and high-quality iris/face images
- **Thousand:** large scale iris image dataset of one thousand subjects
- Synthesis: large scale synthesized iris image dataset



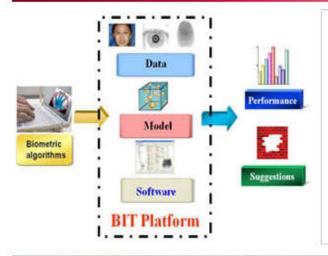
### BIT: A website for biometric database sharing and algorithm evaluation (Http://biometrics.idealtest.org)



### **Biometrics Ideal Test**

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#### Introduction



Biometrics Ideal Test (or BIT for short) is a website for biometric database sharing and algorithm evaluation. Our mission is to facilitate biometrics research and development by providing quality public services to biometric researchers. You are welcome to register an account in BIT so that you can download publicly available iris, face, fingerprint, palmprint, multi-spectral palm and handwriting ... more

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#### Iris



Face

- 4 databases for download
- 1 database for test
- Public results

#### **Fingerprint**



- 2 databases for download
- 1 database for test
- Public results

#### **Palmprint**

#### **Statistics**



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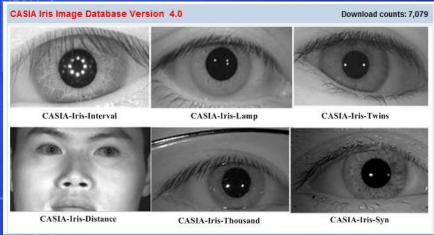


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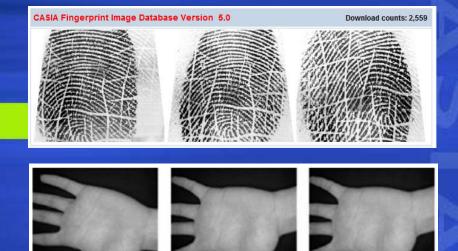


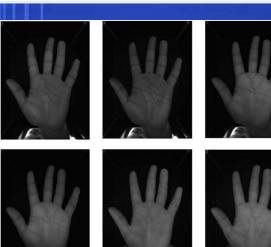
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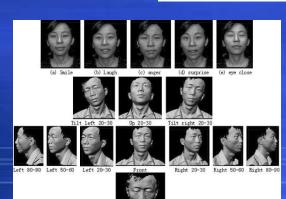
### Downloadable biometrics databases











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### **Conclusions**

- Great progress on iris recognition has been made in the past two decades.
- State-of-the-art iris recognition methods are accurate and fast enough for many practical applications.
- Many open problems remain to be resolved to make iris recognition more user-friendly and robust.

Small Iris, Big Topic, Great Future!

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