Challenges in Forensic Face Recognition

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Who is this person?





From FERET to MBE 2010

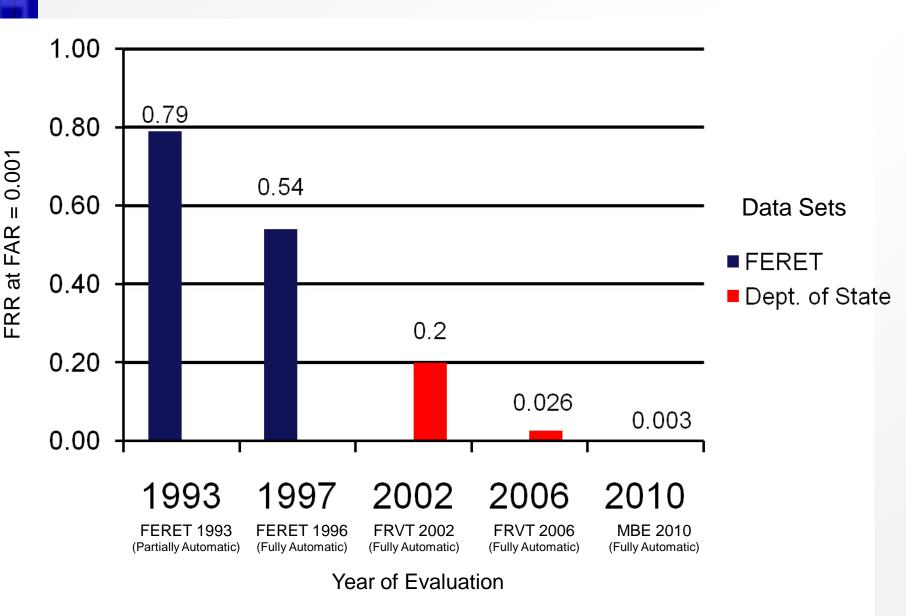
One Face Image per Person

Problem 1: Controlled Illumination vs. Controlled Illumination

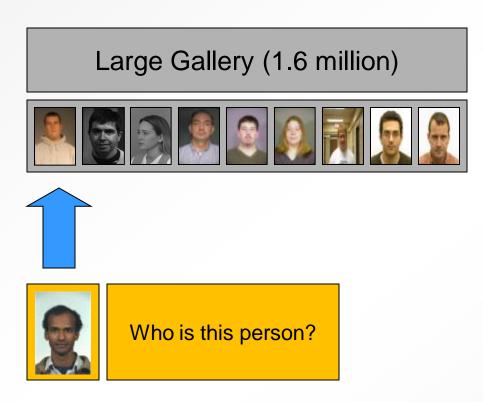




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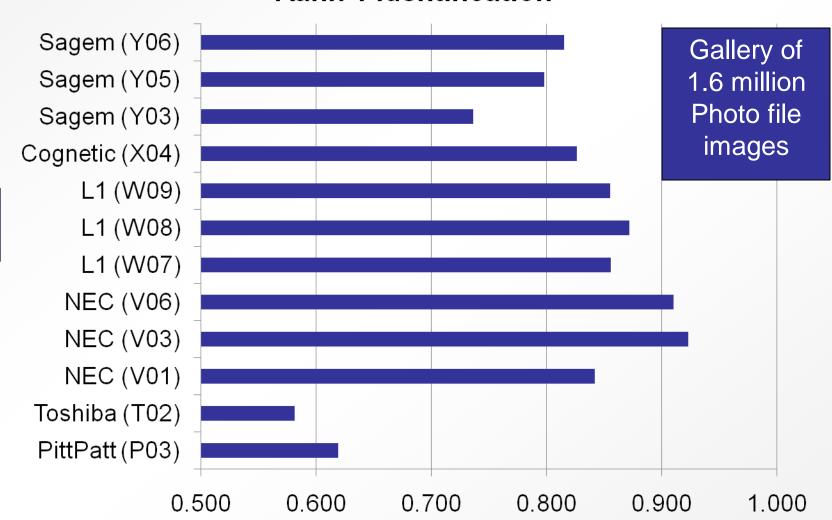
Closed-set Identification



- All probes in gallery
- Score: Rank 1 Identification

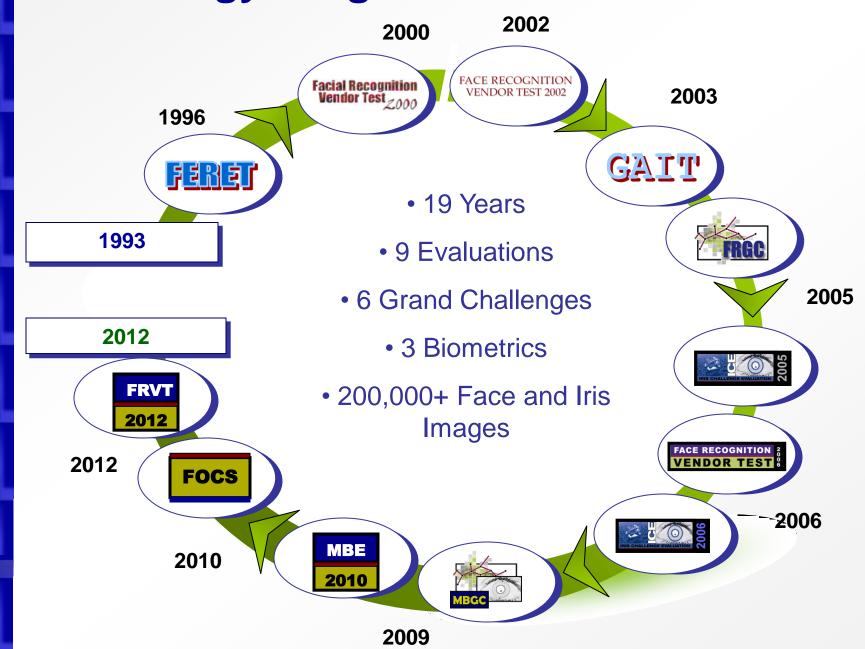
MBE 2010 Closed-set Identification





SDK

Technology Progress



Ambient Illumination





Good











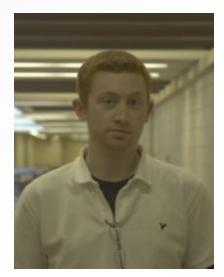
Very Challenging

Face Pairs



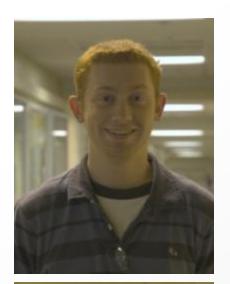








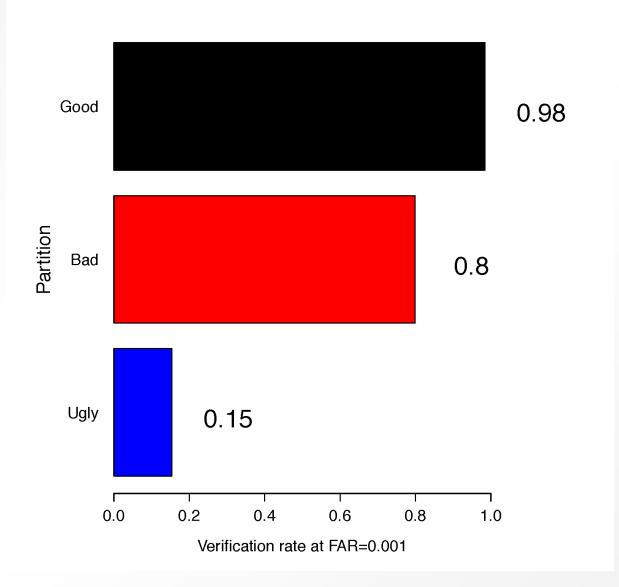
Challenging





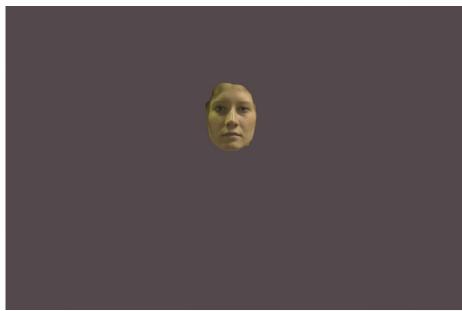
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Good, Bad, Ugly Performance





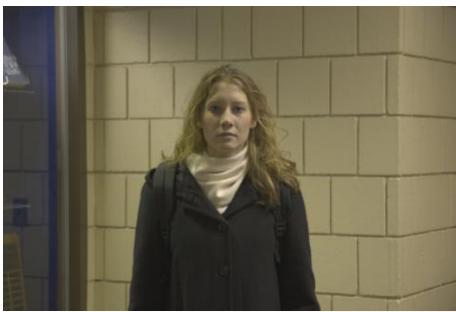




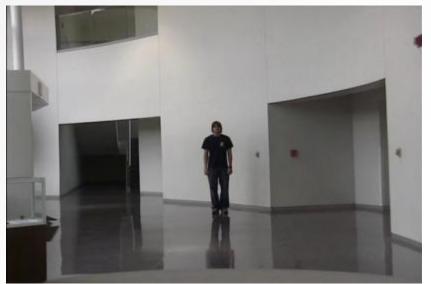


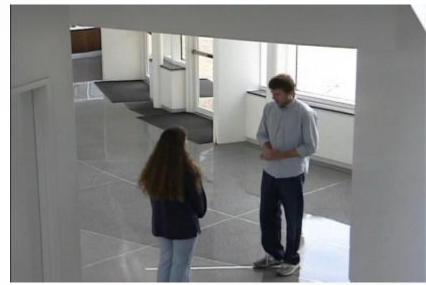






Video





- Motion
- Body and Face
- Cross-pose
- Low resolution

Gait Experiments

gait video











conversation video









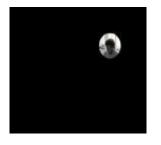


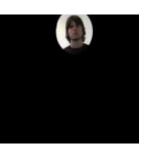
body only





face only





Static Face GG





CG





CC





Summary of Video

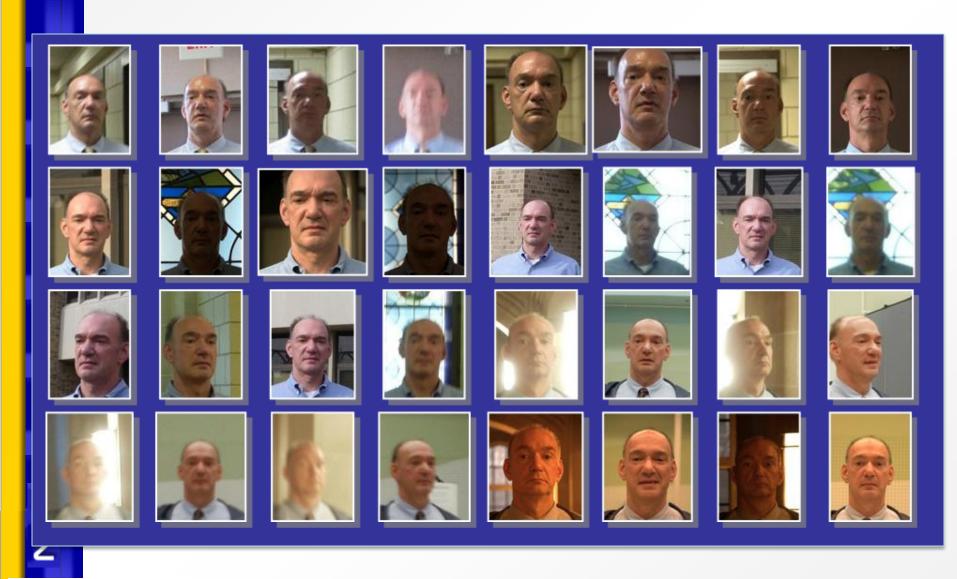
 In hard cases (poor viewing conditions), humans take advantage of face, body, still, & video

 Evidence: algorithms do NOT take advantage of face, body, still, & video

- Learn from the human visual system.
 - Functional
 - Perceptual

· Incorporate into algorithm design.

Example of Point & Shoot Face Images



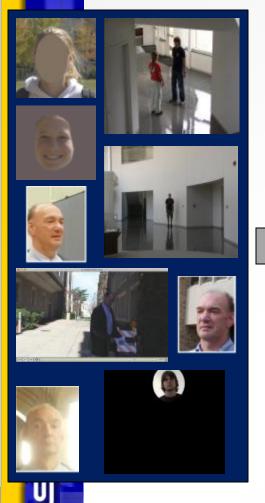
Research direction:

Robust recognition of unfamiliar faces.

Question:

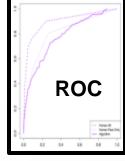
What is the most <u>robust</u> face recognition platform?

The Goal

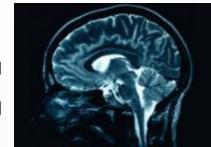












Human and Machine Performance

- Algorithms Better (Normal Humans)
 - Mugshots & Mobile Studio environments
 - Digital Single Lens Reflex
 - Mobile Studio and Ambient Lighting
- Humans Better
 - Non-face identity cues
 - Cross-pose (video—one experiment)
- Not Measured
 - Point and Shot Cameras
 - Change in Pose (in general)

The Challenge

- Problem: Robust Recognition of Unfamiliar Faces
- Imagery
 - Point & Shoot Still
 - Video
 - Unconstrained Environment
- Goal: Human Level Performance
 - Untrained Humans
 - Trained Professionals
 - Forensic Examiners

Questions?