

Face Recognition Vendor Test  
MORPH

Performance of Automated Facial Morph Detection and  
Morph Resistant Face Recognition Algorithms  
Concept, Evaluation Plan and API

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## 61 1. MORPH

### 62 1.1. Scope

63 Facial morphing (and the ability to detect it) is an area of high interest to a number of photo-credential issuance  
64 agencies and those employing face recognition for identity verification. The FRVT MORPH test will provide ongoing  
65 independent testing of prototype facial morph detection technologies. The evaluation is designed to obtain an  
66 assessment on morph detection capability to inform developers and current and prospective end-users. This  
67 document establishes a concept of operations and an application programming interface (API) for evaluation of two  
68 separate tasks:

- 69 1. Algorithmic capability to detect facial morphing (morphed/blended faces) in still photographs
- 70 2. Face recognition algorithm resistance against morphing

### 71 1.2. Audience

72 Participation is open to any organization worldwide involved in development of morph detection algorithms. While  
73 NIST intends to evaluate stable technologies that could be readily made operational, the test is also open to  
74 experimental, prototype and other technologies. All algorithms **must** be submitted as implementations of the C++ API  
75 defined in this document. There is no charge for participation.

### 76 1.3. Reporting

77 For all algorithms that complete the evaluation, NIST will provide performance results back to the participating  
78 organizations. NIST may additionally report and share results with partner government agencies and interested  
79 parties, and in workshops, conferences, conference papers, presentations and technical reports.

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81 **Important:** This is a test in which NIST will identify the algorithm and the developing organization. Algorithm results  
82 will be attributed to the developer. Results will be machine generated (i.e. scripted) and will include timing, accuracy  
83 and other performance results. These will be provided alongside results from other implementations. Results will be  
84 expanded and modified as additional implementations are tested, and as analyses are implemented. Results may be  
85 regenerated on-the-fly, usually whenever additional implementations complete testing, or when new analyses are  
86 added.

### 87 1.4. Core accuracy metrics

88 This test will evaluate algorithmic ability to detect whether an image is a morphed/blended image of two or more  
89 faces and/or to correctly reject 1:1 comparisons of morphed images against other images of the subjects used to  
90 create the morph (but similarly, correctly authenticate legitimate non-morphed, mated pairs and correctly reject non-  
91 morphed, non-mated pairs).

92 NIST will compute and report accuracy metrics, primarily:

- 93 - True Morph Detection Rate (TMDR) – the proportion of morphed images that were correctly classified as  
94 morphs
- 95 - False Morph Detection Rate (FMDR) – the proportion of non-morphed images that were incorrectly classified  
96 as morphs
- 97 - Morph Acceptance Rate (MAR) – the proportion of comparisons where morphed image successfully  
98 authenticates against an image of one of the subjects used for
- 99 - False Match Rate (FMR) – the proportion of non-morphed, non-mated comparisons that incorrectly  
100 authenticate
- 101 - Morph Quality (MQ) – the quality of a morphed image can be measured by the proportion of contributing  
102 subjects that can successfully authenticate against the morph

103 We will report the above quantities as a function of alpha (the fraction of each subject that contributed to the morph),  
 104 image compression ratio, and others.

105 We will also report error tradeoff plots (TMDR vs. FMDR, MAR vs. FMR, parametric on threshold).

## 106 2. Rules for participation

### 107 2.1. Implementation Requirements

108 Developers are not required to implement all functions specified in this API. Developers may choose to implement  
 109 one or more functions of this API – please refer to Section 4.2.1 for detailed information regarding implementation  
 110 requirements.

### 111 2.2. Participation agreement

112 A participant must properly follow, complete, and submit the [FRVT MORPH Participation Agreement](#). This must be  
 113 done once, either prior or in conjunction with the very first algorithm submission. It is not necessary to do this for  
 114 each submitted implementation thereafter.

### 115 2.3. Number and Schedule of Submissions

116 Participants may one initial submission that runs to completion. After that, participants may send one submission as  
 117 often as every 1 calendar month from the last submission for evaluation. NIST will evaluate implementations on a  
 118 first-come-first-served basis and provide results back to the participants as soon as possible.

### 119 2.4. Validation

120 All participants must run their software through the provided FRVT MORPH validation package prior to submission.  
 121 The validation package will be made available at <https://github.com/usnistgov/frvt>. The purpose of validation is to  
 122 ensure consistent algorithm output between the participant’s execution and NIST’s execution. Our validation set is  
 123 not intended to provide training or test data.

### 124 2.5. Hardware specification

125 NIST intends to support high performance by specifying the runtime hardware beforehand. There are several types of  
 126 computer blades that may be used in the testing. Each machine has at least 192 GB of memory. We anticipate that 16  
 127 processes can be run without time slicing, though NIST will handle all multiprocessing work via `fork()`<sup>1</sup>. Participant-  
 128 initiated multiprocessing is not permitted.

129 All implementations shall use 64 bit addressing.

130 NIST intends to support highly optimized algorithms by specifying the runtime hardware. There are several types of  
 131 computers that may be used in the testing.

#### 132 2.5.1. Central Processing Unit (CPU)-only platforms

133 The following list gives some details about the hardware of each CPU-only blade type:

- 134 • Dual Intel® Xeon® CPU E5-2630 v4 @ 2.2GHz (10 cores each)<sup>2</sup>
- 135 • Dual Intel® Xeon® CPU E5-2680 v4 @ 2.4GHz (14 cores each)<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man2/fork.2.html>

<sup>2</sup> `cat /proc/cpuinfo` returns `fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce cx8 apic sep mtrr pge mca cmov pat pse36 clflush dts acpi mmx fxsr sse sse2 ss ht tm pbe syscall nx pdpe1gb rdtscp lm constant_tsc arch_perfmon pebs bts rep_good nopl xtopology nonstop_tsc aperfmperf eagerfpu pni pclmulqdq dtes64 monitor ds_cpl vmx smx est tm2 ssse3 fma cx16 xtpr pdcm pcid dca sse4_1 sse4_2 x2apic movbe popcnt tsc_deadline_timer aes xsave avx f16c rdrand lahf_lm abm 3dnowprefetch ida arat epb pln pts dtherm tpr_shadow vnmi flexpriority ept vpid fsgsbase tsc_adjust bmi1 hle avx2 smep bmi2 erms invpcid rtm cqm rdseed adx smap xsaveopt cqm_llc cqm_occup_llc`

136 **2.6. Operating system, compilation, and linking environment**

137 The operating system that the submitted implementations shall run on will be released as a downloadable file  
 138 accessible from [http://nigos.nist.gov:8080/evaluations/CentOS-7-x86\\_64-Everything-1511.iso](http://nigos.nist.gov:8080/evaluations/CentOS-7-x86_64-Everything-1511.iso), which is the 64-bit  
 139 version of CentOS 7.2 running Linux kernel 3.10.0.

140 For this test, MacOS and Windows-compiled libraries are not permitted. All software must run under CentOS 7.2.

141 NIST will link the provided library file(s) to our C++ language test drivers. Participants are required to provide their  
 142 library in a format that is dynamically-linkable using the C++11 compiler, g++ version 4.8.5.

143 A typical link line might be

144 `g++ -std=c++11 -I. -Wall -m64 -o frvt_morph frvt_morph.cpp -L. -lfrvtmorph_acme_000.so`

145 The Standard C++ library should be used for development. The prototypes from this document will be written to a file  
 146 "frvt\_morph.h" which will be included via #include.

147 The header files will be made available to implementers at <https://github.com/usnistgov/frvt>. All algorithm  
 148 submissions will be built against the officially published header files – developers should not alter the header files  
 149 when compiling and building their libraries.

150 All compilation and testing will be performed on x86\_64 platforms. Thus, participants are strongly advised to verify  
 151 library-level compatibility with g++ (on an equivalent platform) prior to submitting their software to NIST to avoid  
 152 linkage problems later on (e.g. symbol name and calling convention mismatches, incorrect binary file formats, etc.).

153 **2.7. Software and documentation**

154 **2.7.1. Library and platform requirements**

155 Participants shall provide NIST with binary code only (i.e. no source code). The implementation should be submitted  
 156 in the form of a dynamically-linked library file.

157 The core library shall be named according to Table 1. Additional supplemental libraries may be submitted that  
 158 support this “core” library file (i.e. the “core” library file may have dependencies implemented in these other  
 159 libraries). Supplemental libraries may have any name, but the “core” library must be dependent on supplemental  
 160 libraries in order to be linked correctly. The **only** library that will be explicitly linked to the FRVT MORPH test driver is  
 161 the “core” library.

162 Intel Integrated Performance Primitives (IPP)® libraries are permitted if they are delivered as a part of the developer-  
 163 supplied library package. It is the provider’s responsibility to establish proper licensing of all libraries. The use of IPP  
 164 libraries shall not prevent running on CPUs that do not support IPP. Please take note that some IPP functions are  
 165 multithreaded and threaded implementations are prohibited.

166 NIST will report the size of the supplied libraries.

167 **Table 1 – Implementation library filename convention**

Form	libfrvtmorph_provider_sequence.ending			
Underscore delimited parts of the filename	libfrvtmorph	provider	sequence	ending
Description	First part of the name, required to be this.	Single word, non-infringing name of the main provider EXAMPLE: Acme	A three digit decimal identifier to start at 000 and incremented by 1 every time a library is sent to NIST. EXAMPLE: 007	.so
Example	libfrvtmorph_acme_007.so			

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169 Important: Results will be attributed with the provider name and the 3-digit sequence number in the submitted library  
170 name.

### 171 **2.7.2. Configuration and developer-defined data**

172 The implementation under test may be supplied with configuration files and supporting data files. These might  
173 include, for example, model, calibration or background feature data. NIST will report the size of the supplied  
174 configuration files.

### 175 **2.7.3. Submission folder hierarchy**

176 Participant submissions shall contain the following folders at the top level

- 177 – lib/ - contains all participant-supplied software libraries
- 178 – config/ - contains all configuration and developer-defined data
- 179 – doc/ - contains any participant-provided documentation regarding the submission
- 180 – validation/ - contains validation output

### 181 **2.7.4. Installation and usage**

182 The implementation shall be installable using simple file copy methods. It shall not require the use of a separate  
183 installation program and shall be executable on any number of machines without requiring additional machine-  
184 specific license control procedures or activation. The implementation shall not use nor enforce any usage controls or  
185 limits based on licenses, number of executions, presence of temporary files, etc. The implementation shall remain  
186 operable for at least twelve months from the submission date.

## 187 **2.8. Runtime behavior**

### 188 **2.8.1. Modes of operation**

189 Implementations shall not require NIST to switch “modes” of operation or algorithm parameters. For example, the use  
190 of two different feature extractors must either operate automatically or be split across two separate library  
191 submissions.

### 192 **2.8.2. Interactive behavior, stdout, logging**

193 The implementation will be tested in non-interactive “batch” mode (i.e. without terminal support). Thus, the  
194 submitted library shall:

- 195 – Not use any interactive functions such as graphical user interface (GUI) calls, or any other calls which require  
196 terminal interaction e.g. reads from “standard input”.
- 197 – Run quietly, i.e. it should not write messages to "standard error" and shall not write to “standard output”.
- 198 – Only if requested by NIST for debugging, include a logging facility in which debugging messages are written to a  
199 log file whose name includes the provider and library identifiers and the process PID.

### 200 **2.8.3. Exception handling**

201 The application should include error/exception handling so that in the case of a fatal error, the return code is still  
202 provided to the calling application.

### 203 **2.8.4. External communication**

204 Processes running on NIST hosts shall not side-effect the runtime environment in any manner, except for memory  
205 allocation and release. Implementations shall not write any data to external resource (e.g. server, file, connection, or  
206 other process), nor read from such, nor otherwise manipulate it. If detected, NIST will take appropriate steps,  
207 including but not limited to, cessation of evaluation of all implementations from the supplier, notification to the  
208 provider, and documentation of the activity in published reports.

209 **2.8.5. Stateless behavior**

210 All components in this test shall be stateless, except as noted. This applies to face detection, feature extraction and  
 211 matching. Thus, all functions should give identical output, for a given input, independent of the runtime history. NIST  
 212 will institute appropriate tests to detect stateful behavior. If detected, NIST will take appropriate steps, including but  
 213 not limited to, cessation of evaluation of all implementations from the supplier, notification to the provider, and  
 214 documentation of the activity in published reports.

215 **2.8.6. Single-thread requirement and parallelization**

216 Implementations must run in single-threaded mode, because NIST will parallelize the test by dividing the workload  
 217 across many cores and many machines. Implementations must ensure that there are no issues with their software  
 218 being parallelized via the `fork()` function.

219 **3. Data structures supporting the API**

220 **3.1. Requirement**

221 FRVT MORPH participants shall implement the relevant C++ prototyped interfaces of section 4. C++ was chosen in  
 222 order to make use of some object-oriented features.

223 **3.2. File formats and data structures**

224 **3.2.1. Overview**

225 In this test, an individual is represented by a K = 1 two-dimensional facial image. All images will contain exactly one  
 226 face.

227 **Table 2 – Structure for a single image**

C++ code fragment	Remarks
<code>typedef struct Image</code>	
<code>{</code>	
<code>  uint16_t width;</code>	Number of pixels horizontally
<code>  uint16_t height;</code>	Number of pixels vertically
<code>  uint16_t depth;</code>	Number of bits per pixel. Legal values are 8 and 24.
<code>  std::shared_ptr&lt;uint8_t&gt; data;</code>	Managed pointer to raster scanned data. Either RGB color or intensity.
	If <code>image_depth == 24</code> this points to 3WH bytes RGBRGBRGB...
	If <code>image_depth == 8</code> this points to WH bytes I I I I I I I I
<code>} Image;</code>	

228 **3.2.2. Data type for similarity scores**

229 1:1 comparison/verification functions shall return a measure of the similarity between the face data contained in the  
 230 two templates. The datatype shall be an eight-byte double precision real. The legal range is [0, DBL\_MAX], where the  
 231 DBL\_MAX constant is larger than practically needed and defined in the `<climits>` include file. Larger values indicate  
 232 more likelihood that the two samples are from the same person.

233 Providers are cautioned that algorithms that natively produce few unique values (e.g. integers on [0,127]) will be  
 234 disadvantaged by the inability to set a threshold precisely, as might be required to attain a false match rate of exactly  
 235 0.0001, for example.

236 **3.2.3. Data structure for return value of API function calls**

237 **Table 3 – Enumeration of return codes**

Return code as C++ enumeration	Meaning
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enum class ReturnCode {	
Success=0,	Success
ConfigError,	Error reading configuration files
RefuseInput,	Elective refusal to process the input, e.g. because cannot handle greyscale
ExtractError,	Involuntary failure to process the image, e.g. after catching exception
ParseError,	Cannot parse the input data
MatchError,	Error occurred during the 1:1 match operation
FaceDetectionError,	Unable to detect a face in the image
NotImplemented,	Function is not implemented
VendorError	Vendor-defined failure. Vendor errors shall return this error code and document the specific failure in the ReturnStatus.info string from Table 4.
};	

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**Table 4 – ReturnStatus structure**

C++ code fragment	Meaning
struct ReturnStatus {	
ReturnCode code;	Return Code
std::string info;	Optional information string
// constructors	
};	

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241 **4. API specification**

242 Please note that included with the FRVT MORPH validation package (available at <https://github.com/usnistgov/frvt>) is  
 243 a “null” implementation of this API. The null implementation has no real functionality but demonstrates mechanically  
 244 how one could go about implementing this API.

245 **4.1. Namespace**

246 All data structures and API interfaces/function calls will be declared in the FRVT\_MORPH namespace.

247 **4.2. API**

248 **4.2.1. Implementation Requirements**

249 Developers are not required to implement all functions specified in this API. Developers may choose to implement  
 250 one or more functions of Table 5, but at a minimum, developers must submit a library that implements

- 251 1. MorphInterface of Section 4.2.2,
- 252 2. initialize() of Section 4.2.3, and
- 253 3. AT LEAST one of the functions from Table 5. For any other function that is not implemented, the function  
 254 shall return ReturnCode::NotImplemented.

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**Table 5 – API Functions**

Function	Section
detectMorph() – single image	4.2.4
detectScannedMorph()	4.2.5
detectMorph() – two image	4.2.6
matchImages()	4.2.7

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257 **4.2.2. Interface**

258 The software under test **must** implement the interface `MorphInterface` by subclassing this class and  
 259 implementing AT LEAST ONE of the methods specified therein.

	C++ code fragment	Remarks
1.	<code>Class MorphInterface</code>	
2.	<code>{</code> <code>public:</code>	
3.	<code>static std::shared_ptr&lt;MorphInterface&gt; getImplementation();</code>	Factory method to return a managed pointer to the <code>MorphInterface</code> object. This function is implemented by the submitted library and must return a managed pointer to the <code>MorphInterface</code> object.
4.	<code>// Other functions to implement</code>	
5.	<code>};</code>	

260 There is one class (static) method declared in `MorphInterface.getImplementation()` which must also be  
 261 implemented. This method returns a shared pointer to the object of the interface type, an instantiation of the  
 262 implementation class. A typical implementation of this method is also shown below as an example.

	C++ code fragment	Remarks
	<code>#include "frvt_morph.h"</code>  <code>using namespace FRVT_MORPH;</code>  <code>NullImpl:: NullImpl () { }</code>  <code>NullImpl::~~ NullImpl () { }</code>  <code>std::shared_ptr&lt;MorphInterface&gt;</code> <code>MorphInterface::getImplementation()</code> <code>{</code> <code>return std::make_shared&lt;NullImpl&gt;();</code> <code>}</code> <code>// Other implemented functions</code>	

263 **4.2.3. Initialization**

264 Before any morph detection or matching calls are made, the NIST test harness will call the initialization function of  
 265 Table 6. This function will be called BEFORE any calls to `fork()` are made. This function **must** be implemented.

266 **Table 6 – Initialization**

Prototype	ReturnStatus initialize( const std::string &configDir);	Input
Description	This function initializes the implementation under test and sets all needed parameters in preparation for template creation. This function will be called N=1 times by the NIST application, prior to parallelizing M >= 1 calls to any morph detection or matching functions via <code>fork()</code> .  This function will be called from a single process/thread.	
Input Parameters	configDir	A read-only directory containing any developer-supplied configuration parameters or run-time data files.
Output Parameters	None	
Return Value	See Table 3 for all valid return code values. This function <b>must</b> be implemented.	

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269 **4.2.4. Single-image Morph Detection**

270 A single image is provided to the function of Table 7 for detection of morphing. The input image is known to not be a  
 271 printed-and-scanned photo. Both morphed images and non-morphed images will be used, which will support  
 272 measurement of a true morph detection rate with a false morph detection rate.

273 Multiple instances of the calling application may run simultaneously or sequentially. These may be executing on  
 274 different computers.

275 **Table 7 – Single-image Morph Detection**

Prototypes	ReturnStatus detectMorph( const Image &suspectedMorph, bool &isMorph, double &score);	
		Input
		Output
		Output
Description	This function takes an input image and outputs a binary decision on whether the image is a morph and a "morphiness" score on [0, 1] indicating how confident the algorithm thinks the image is a morph, with 0 meaning confidence that the image is not a morph and 1 representing absolute confidence that it is a morph.	
Input Parameters	suspectedMorph	Input Image
	isMorph	True if image contains a morph; False otherwise
Output Parameters	score	A score on [0, 1] representing how confident the algorithm is that the image contains a morph. 0 means certainty that image does not contain a morph and 1 represents certainty that image contains a morph.
	Return Value	See Table 3 for all valid return code values.  If this function is not implemented, the return code should be set to <code>ReturnCode::NotImplemented</code> .

276 **4.2.5. Single-image Morph Detection of Scanned Photo**

277 While there are existing techniques to detect manipulation of a digital image, once the image has been printed and  
 278 scanned back in, it leaves virtually no traces of the original image ever being manipulated. So the ability to detect  
 279 whether a printed-and-scanned image contains a morph warrants investigation. A single image from a scanned photo  
 280 is provided to the function of Table 8 for detection of morphing. Both morphed images and non-morphed images will  
 281 be used, which will support measurement of a true morph detection rate with a false morph detection rate.

282  
 283 Multiple instances of the calling application may run simultaneously or sequentially. These may be executing on  
 284 different computers.

285 **Table 8 – Single-image Morph Detection of Scanned Photo**

Prototypes	ReturnStatus detectScannedMorph( const Image &suspectedMorph, bool &isMorph, double &score);	
		Input
		Output
		Output
Description	This function takes a scanned input image (that is, a photo that is printed, then scanned) and outputs a binary decision on whether the image is a morph and a "morphiness" score on [0, 1] indicating how confident the algorithm thinks the image is a morph, with 0 meaning confidence that the image is not a morph and 1 representing absolute confidence that it is a morph.	
Input Parameters	suspectedMorph	Input Image
	isMorph	True if image contains a morph; False otherwise
Output Parameters	score	A score on [0, 1] representing how confident the algorithm is that the image contains a morph. 0 means certainty that image does not contain a morph and 1 represents certainty that image contains a morph.

Return Value	See Table 3 for all valid return code values.  If this function is not implemented, the return code should be set to <code>ReturnCode::NotImplemented</code> .
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286 **4.2.6. Two-image Morph Detection**

287 Two face samples are provided to the function of Table 9 as input, the first being a suspected morphed facial image (of  
288 two or more subjects) and the second image representing a known, non-morphed face image of one of the subjects  
289 contributing to the morph (e.g., live capture image from an eGate). This procedure supports measurement of whether  
290 algorithms can detect morphed images when additional information (provided as the second supporting known  
291 subject image) is provided.

292  
293 Multiple instances of the calling application may run simultaneously or sequentially. These may be executing on  
294 different computers.

295 **Table 9 – Two-image Morph Detection**

Prototypes	ReturnStatus detectMorph( const Image &suspectedMorph, const Image &liveFace, bool &isMorph, double &score);	
		Input
		Input
		Output
		Output
Description	This function takes two input images - a known unaltered/not morphed image of the subject ( <code>liveFace</code> ) and an image of the same subject that's in question (may or may not be a morph) ( <code>suspectedMorph</code> ). This function outputs a binary decision on whether <code>suspectedMorph</code> is a morph (given <code>liveFace</code> as a prior) and a "morphiness" score on [0, 1] indicating how confident the algorithm thinks the image is a morph, with 0 meaning confidence that the image is not a morph and 1 representing absolute confidence that it is a morph.	
Input Parameters	<code>suspectedMorph</code>	Input Image
	<code>liveFace</code>	An image of the subject known not to be a morph (e.g., live capture image)
Output Parameters	<code>isMorph</code>	True if image contains a morph; False otherwise
	<code>score</code>	A score on [0, 1] representing how confident the algorithm is that the image contains a morph. 0 means certainty that image does not contain a morph and 1 represents certainty that image contains a morph.
Return Value	See Table 3 for all valid return code values.  If this function is not implemented, the return code should be set to <code>ReturnCode::NotImplemented</code> .	

296 **4.2.7. 1:1 Matching**

297 Two face samples are provided to the function of Table 10 for one-to-one comparison of whether the two images are  
298 of the same subject. The expected behavior from the algorithm is to be able to correctly reject comparisons of  
299 morphed images against constituents that contributed to the morph. The goal is to show algorithm robustness  
300 against morphing alterations when morphed images are compared against other images of the subjects used for  
301 morphing. Comparisons of morphed images against constituents should return a low similarity score, indicating  
302 rejection of match. Comparisons of unaltered/non-morphed images of the same subject should return a high  
303 similarity score, indicating acceptance of match.

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305 Multiple instances of the calling application may run simultaneously or sequentially. These may be executing on  
306 different computers.

307 **Table 10 – 1:1 Matching**

Prototypes	ReturnStatus matchImages(	
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	const Image &enrollImage, const Image &verifImage, double &similarity);	Input Input Output
Description	This function compares two images and outputs a similarity score. In the event the algorithm cannot perform the matching operation, the similarity score shall be set to -1.0 and the function return code value shall be set appropriately.	
Input Parameters	enrollImage	The enrollment image
	verifImage	The verification image
Output Parameters	similarity	A similarity score resulting from comparison of the two images, on the range [0,DBL_MAX].
Return Value	See Table 3 for all valid return code values.  If this function is not implemented, the return code should be set to <code>ReturnCode::NotImplemented</code> .	

308 **4.2.8. Training for Morph Detection**

309 For developers who implement the training function, NIST will run tests with and without training to assess the  
 310 performance impacts of turn-key training. The training function of Table 11 will be invoked as a separate process  
 311 outside of the morph detection and/or matching process. So, given 1)  $K \geq 1$  images with associated labels on whether  
 312 the photo is a morph or not and 2) the implementation’s configuration directory, the implementation may use the  
 313 provided training data to populate a new “trained” configuration directory. This directory will be used to initialize the  
 314 algorithm during subsequent morph detection and/or matching processes.

315 Please note that this function may or may not be called prior to morph detection or matching. The implementation’s  
 316 ability to detect a morph or match images should not be dependent on prior execution of this function.

317 This function will be called from a single process/thread.

318 **Table 11 – Training**

Prototype	ReturnStatus train( const std::string &configDir, const std::string &trainedConfigDir, const std::vector<Image> &faces, const std::vector<bool> &isMorph);	Input Input Input Input
Description	This function provides the implementation a list of face images and whether they are morphs. This function may or may not be called prior to the various morph detection and/or matching functions. The implementation’s ability to detect morphs should not be dependent on this function.  This function will be called from a single process/thread.	
Input Parameters	configDir	A read-only directory containing any developer-supplied configuration parameters or run-time data files. The name of this directory is assigned by NIST, not hardwired by the provider. The names of the files in this directory are hardwired in the implementation and are unrestricted.
	trainedConfigDir	A directory with read-write permissions where the implementation can store any training output. The name of this directory is assigned by NIST, not hardwired by the provider. The names of the files in this directory are hardwired in the implementation and are unrestricted. Important: This directory is what will subsequently be provided to the implementation’s <code>initialize()</code> function as the input configuration directory if this training function is invoked.  If this function is not implemented, the function shall do nothing, and the return code should be set to <code>ReturnCode::NotImplemented</code> .
	faces	A vector of face images provided to the implementation for training purposes
	isMorph	A vector of boolean values indicating whether the corresponding face image is a morph

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		or not. The value in <code>isMorph[i]</code> corresponds to the face image in <code>faces[i]</code> .
Output Parameters	none	
Return Value	<p>See Table 3 for all valid return code values.</p> <p>If this function is not implemented, the return code should be set to <code>ReturnCode::NotImplemented</code>.</p>	

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