

Constrained and Cooperative Face Recognition

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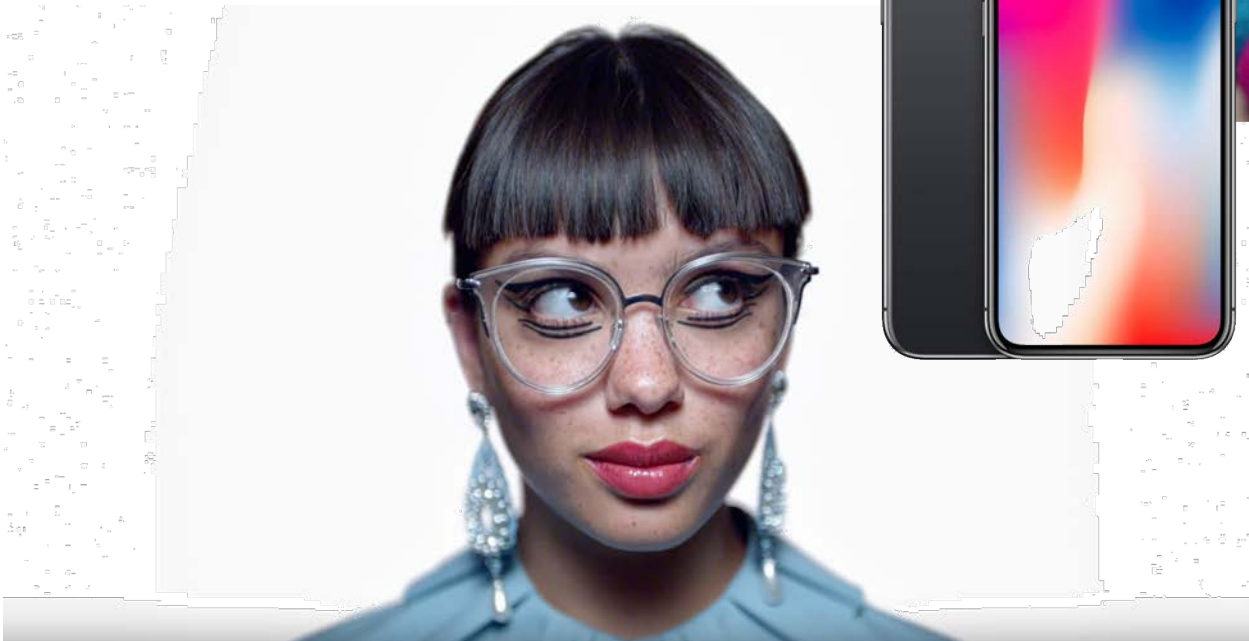
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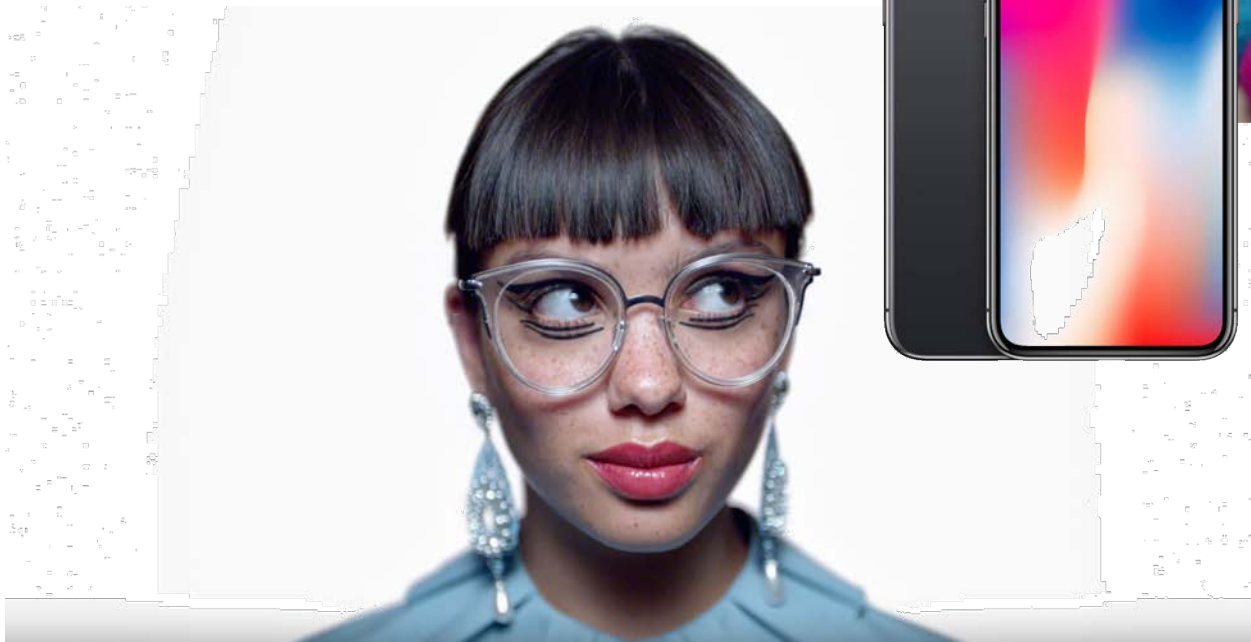


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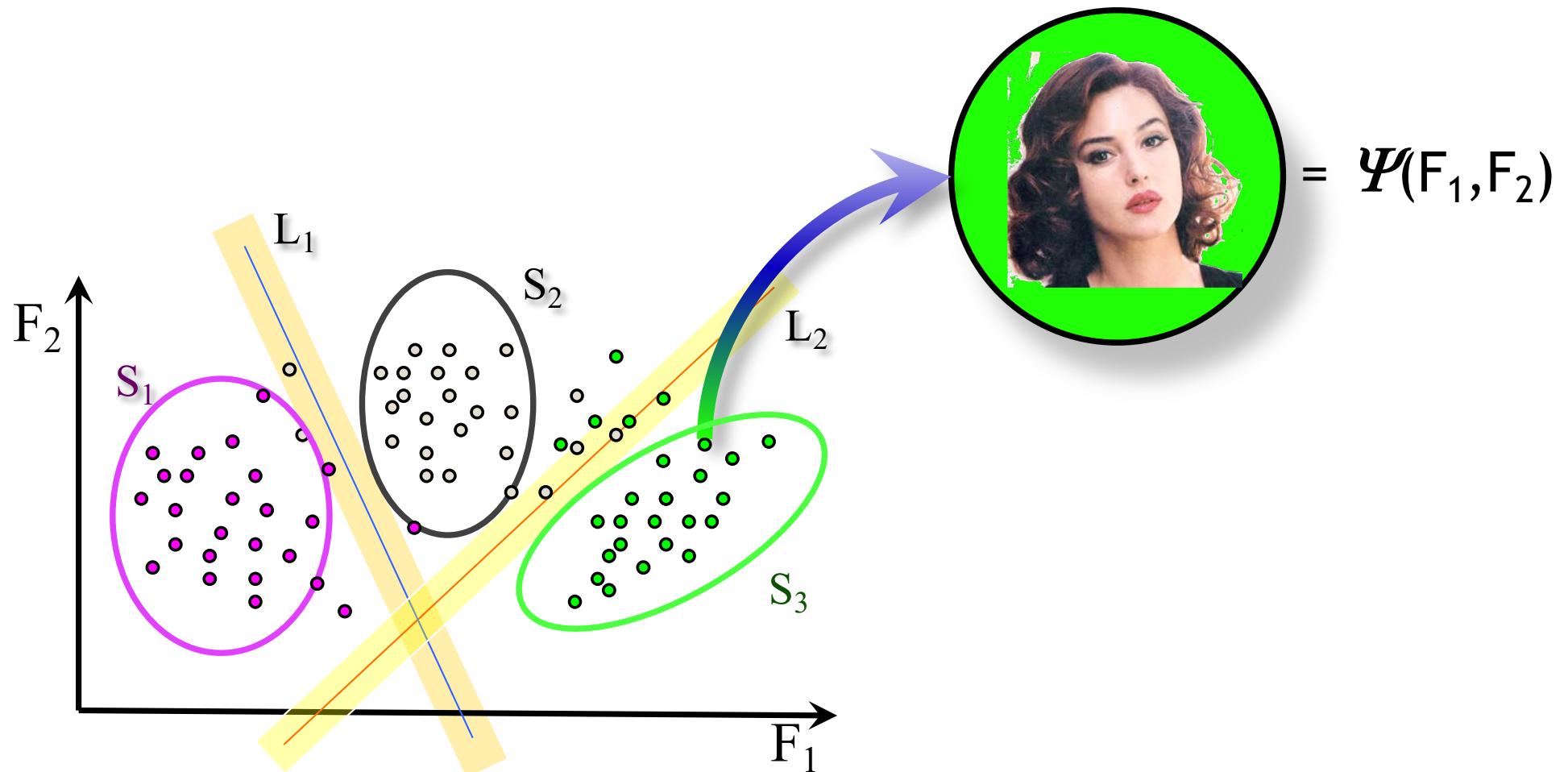
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Face Recognition

A class (***identity***) separation problem



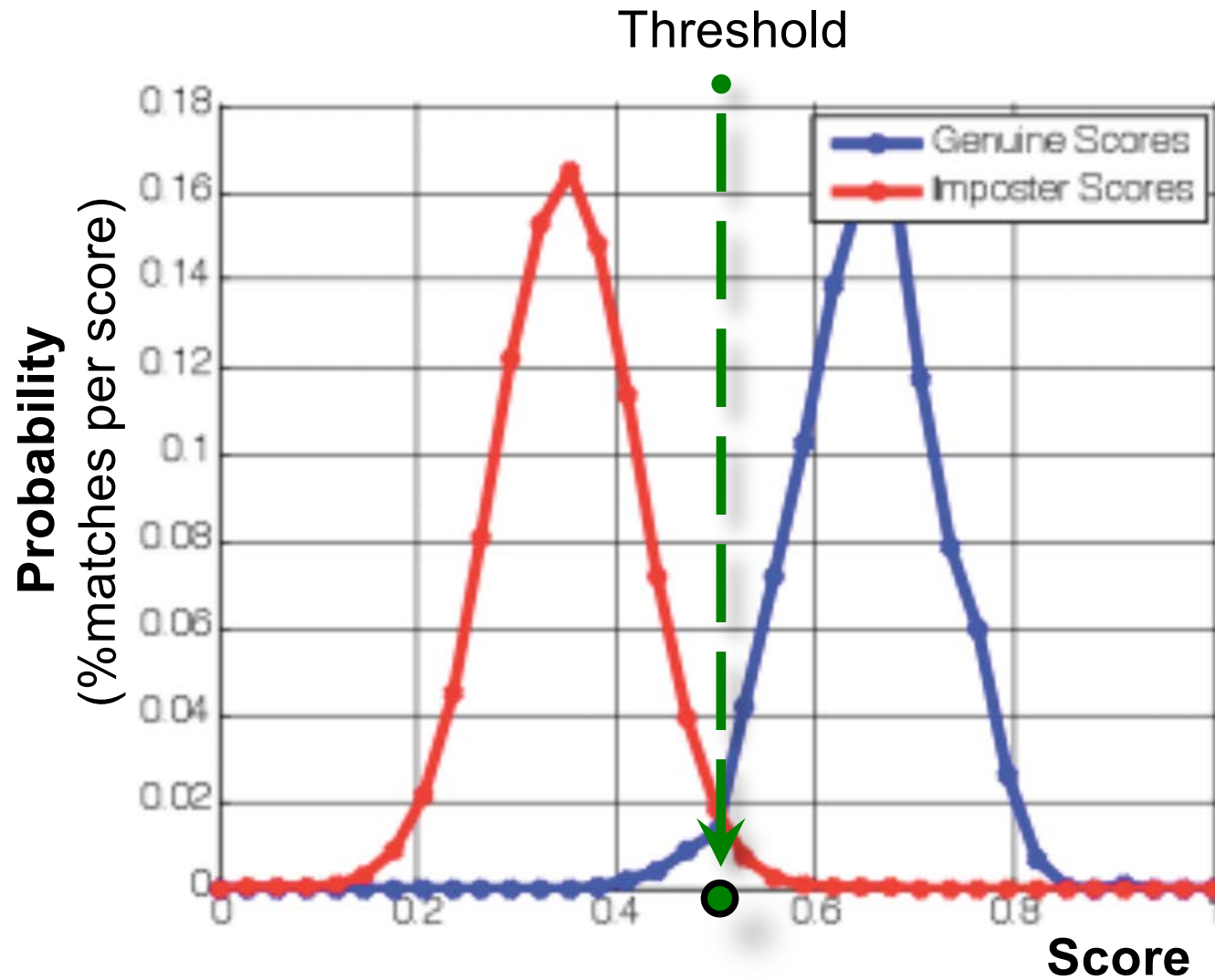
Genuine and Impostor scores

- ▣ **Genuine score**: Match score (or *distance*) computed when two biometric samples from the **same** individual are compared.
- ▣ **Impostor score**: Match score (or *distance*) computed when two biometric samples originating from **different** individuals are compared.

Therefore, a **genuine user score should be always greater than an impostor score.**

- ▣ A **threshold** (or **classifier**) is used to determine if a score is related to a genuine user or an impostor.

Match score distributions



Inter-class *similarity*

Two different people with very similar appearance

FALSE MATCH



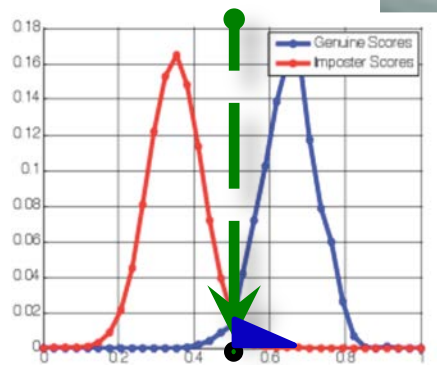
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Twins



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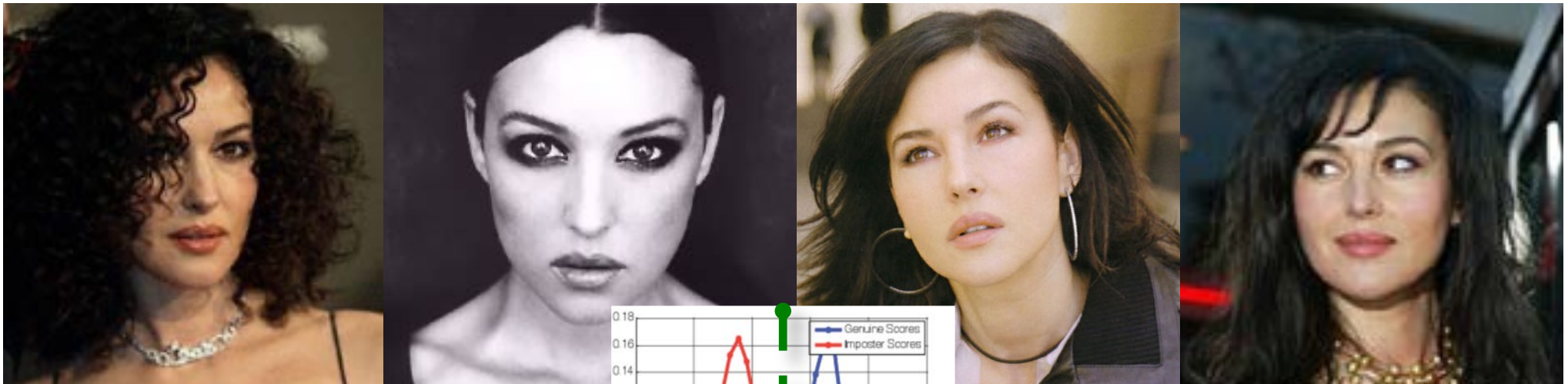
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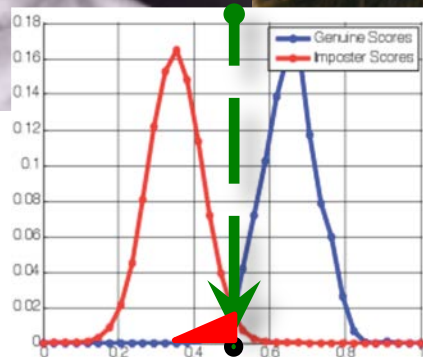
Intra-class *variability*

The same person with very different biometric samples

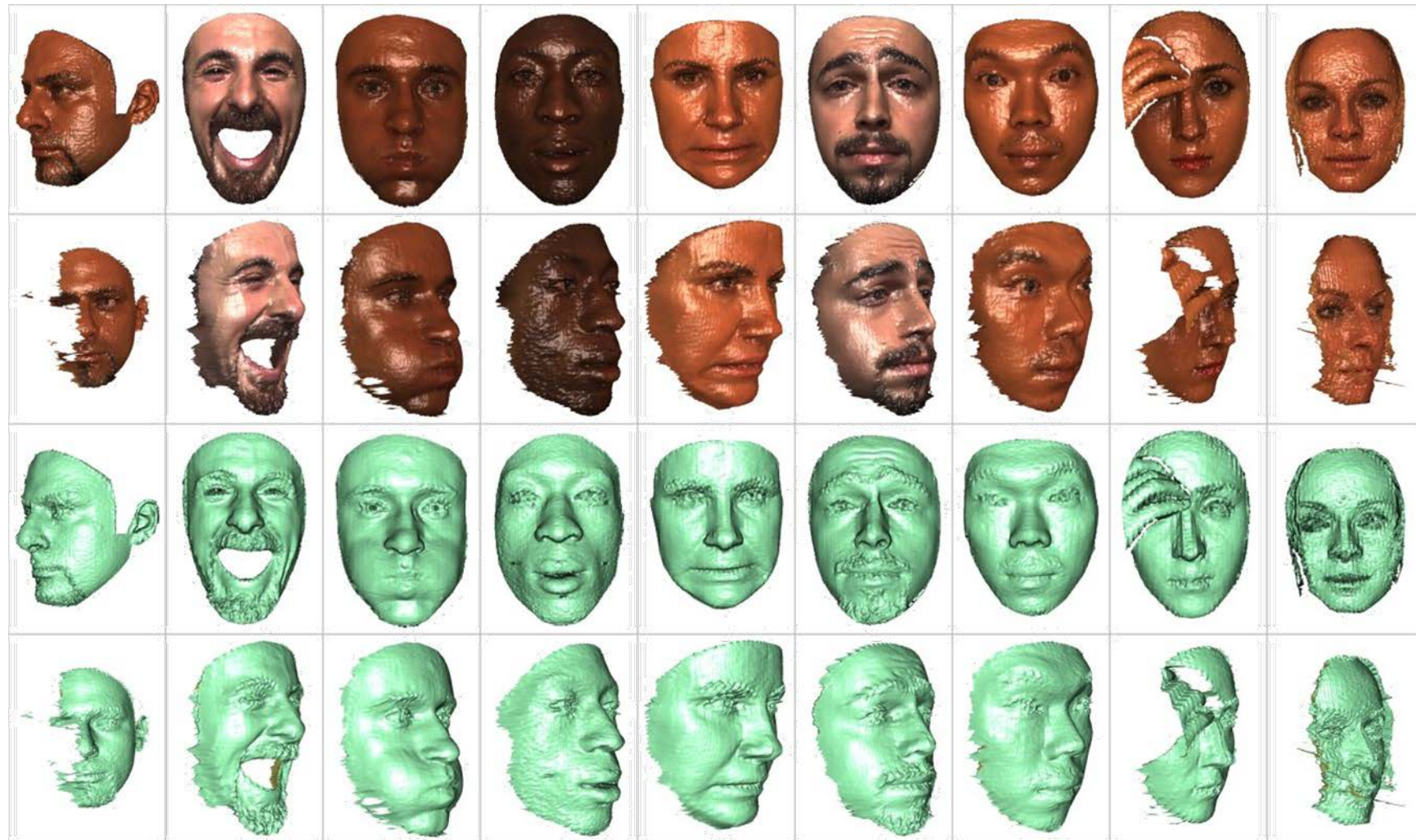
FALSE NON MATCH



Monica Bellucci



Face shape and texture



A. Savran, N. Alyüz, H. Dibekliolu, O. Çeliktutan, B. Gökberk, B. Sankur, L. Akarun, "**Bosphorus Database for 3D Face Analysis**", The First COST 2101 Workshop on Biometrics and Identity Management (BIOID 2008) Roskilde University, Denmark, May 2008.

Visual challenges



UMD-AA Mobile Device Database

U. Mahbub, S. Sarkar, V. M. Patel and R. Chellappa, "**Active user authentication for smartphones: A challenge data set and benchmark results**," 2016 IEEE 8th International Conference on Biometrics Theory, Applications and Systems (BTAS), Niagara Falls, NY, 2016, pp. 1-8..

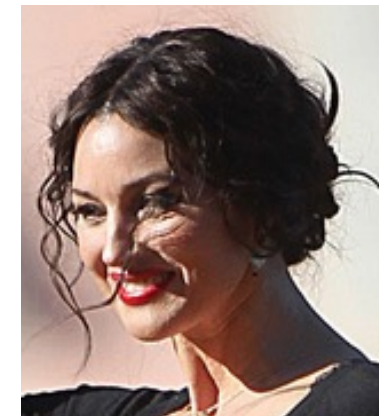
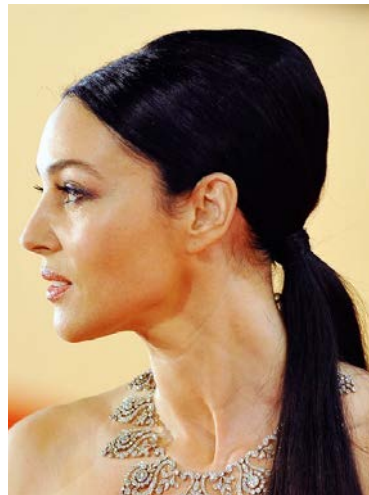
Visual challenges

A - Aging



P - Pose

I - Illumination



E - Expression

An inverse problem



Jacques Hadamard



An inverse problem is *well-posed* in the sense of Hadamard when:

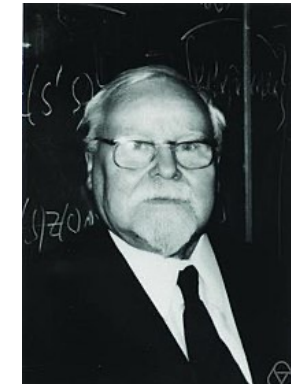
- 1) a *unique* solution exists and
- 2) it depends *continuously* upon the data.

J. Hadamard, "**Sur les problèmes aux dérivées partielles et leur signification physique**".
In: Princeton University Bulletin, 1902, 49–52.

An ill-posed problem



Jacques Hadamard



Andrej Tikhonov

Two adverse conditions:

- 1) **Noise** in the data (many sources, including **A.P.I.E.**)
- 2) **Dimensionality** of the data (from 4D to 2D)

Solution: Regularization

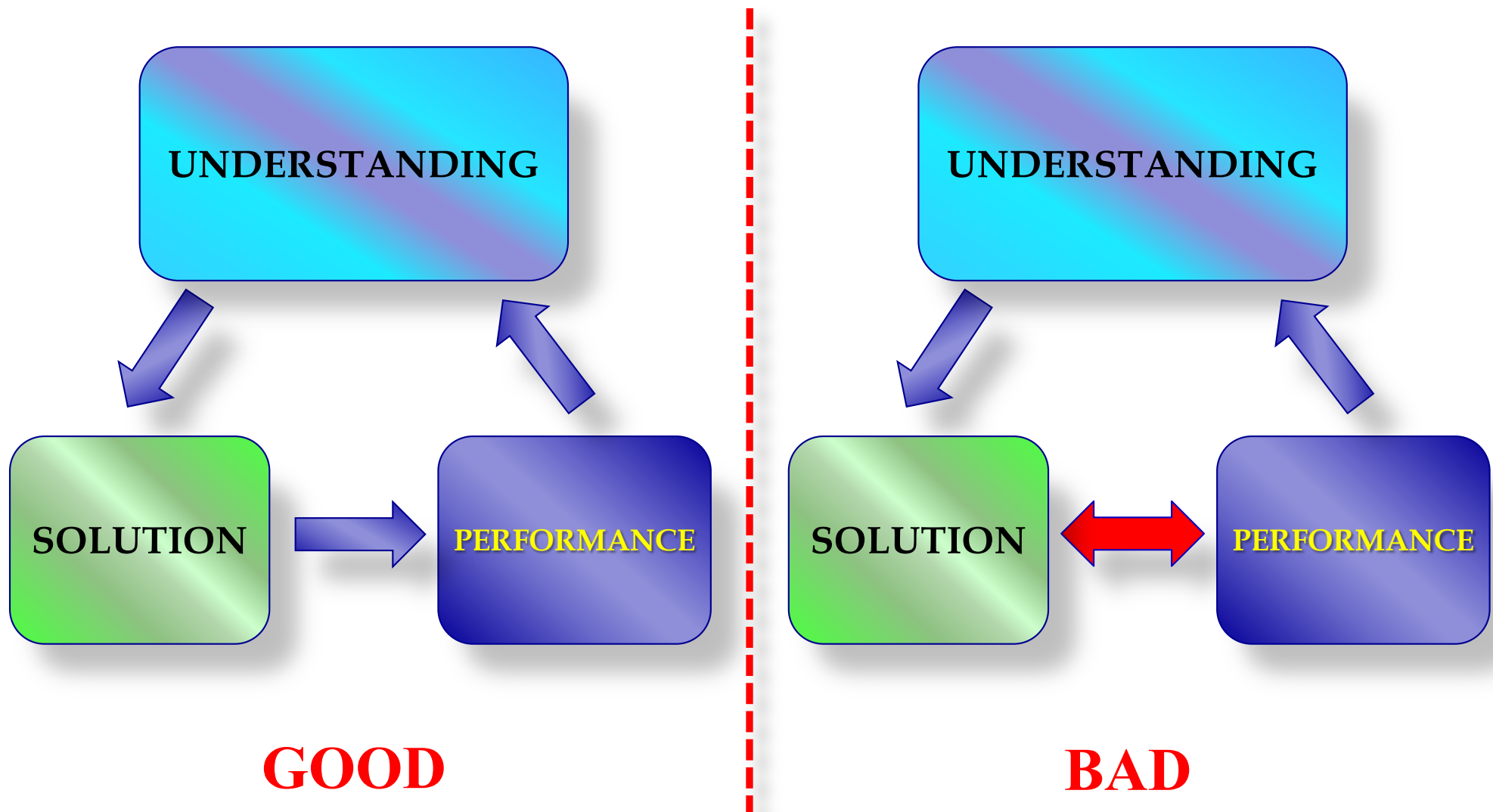
A.N. Tikhonov, "**On the stability of inverse problems**". Doklady Acad. Sci. USSR 39 (1943), 176–179.

A.N. Tikhonov, "**On the solution of ill-posed problems and the method of regularization**". Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR 151(3) (1963), 501–4.

A.N. Tikhonov, "**On the regularization of ill-posed problems**". Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR 153(1) (1963), 49–52 (in Russian).

A. N. Tikhonov and V. Ya. Arsenin, "**Solutions of Ill-Posed Problems**". Wiley, New York, 1977.

Good research or bad research?



Common mistakes

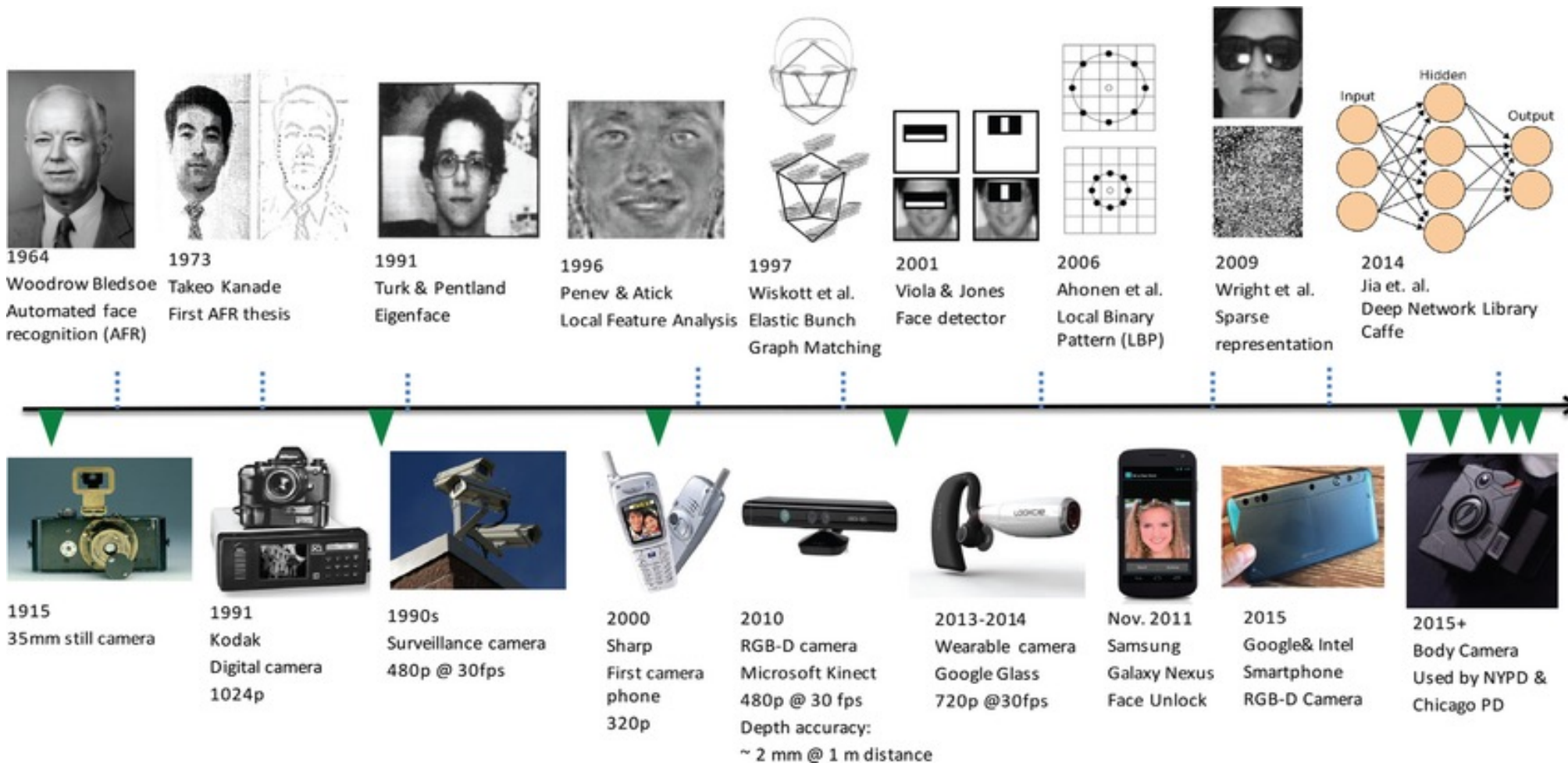


1. Start **programming** before **thinking**.
2. Building a system **blindly** combining a number of already available algorithms.
3. Performing **blind tests** with available tools and datasets (*«Quick prototyping»?*).
4. Twickling the **parameters** until you obtain the **desired performance**.
5. Arbitrarily **selecting the data** from the available datasets **after** performing the initial testing.
6. Making **strong statements** without a solid proof.
7. Making **unrealistic assumptions**.

Addressing the problem

1. Analyze the **problem**, the available **data** and the **constraints**.
2. Make a **bibliographical search** (don't try to re-invent the wheel... one is enough).
3. Define a **model** describing the **physics** of the **event**.
4. Find a **mathematical framework** which may bring to a solution.
5. Carefully **design** an **experimental set-up**.
6. Collect or acquire a **statistically meaningful dataset**.
7. Start **programming**.
8. Perform an **evaluation test** to define the **parameters space**.
9. Start testing and collecting results, especially the **failing modes**.
10. Perform a **comparative analysis** of the results with other approaches at the **current** state of the art.
- 11. Go back to item 3.**

Face recognition milestones

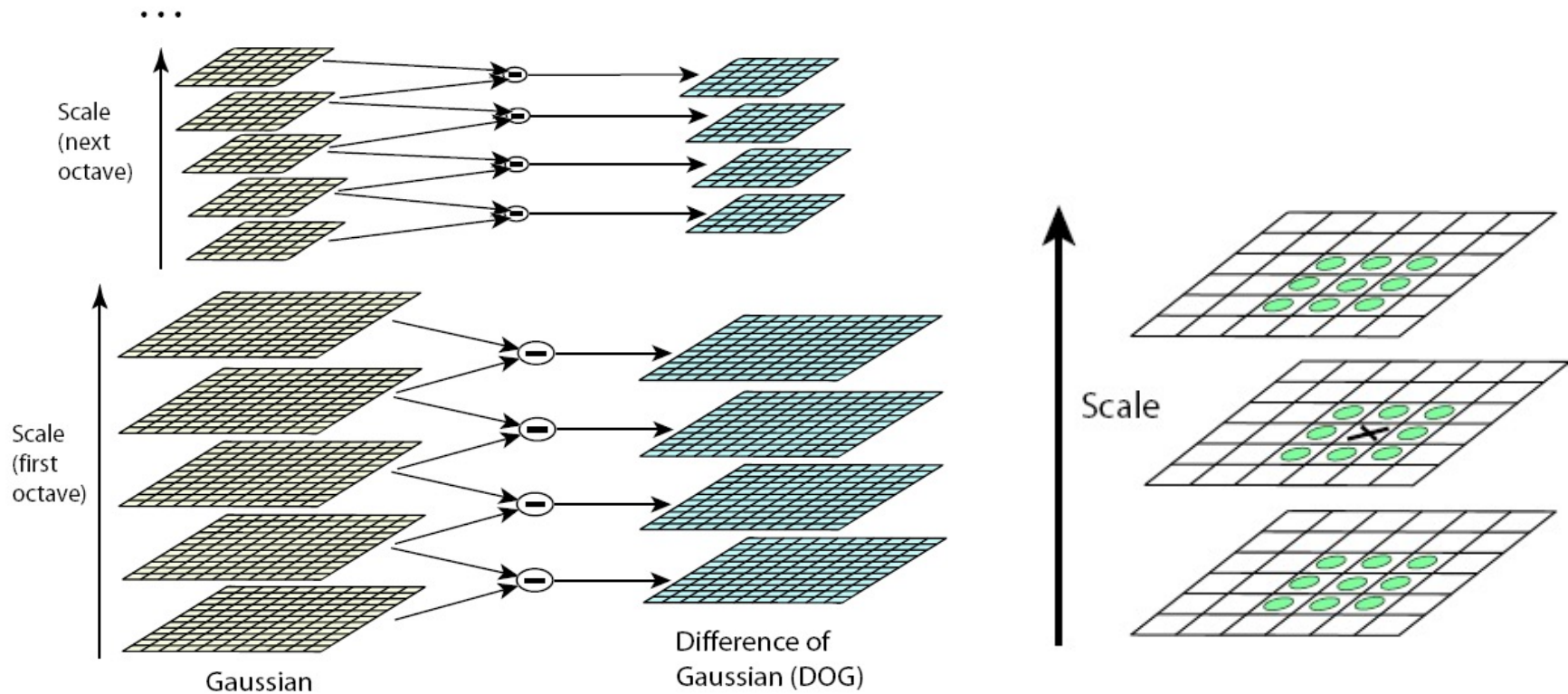


A. Jain, K. Nandakumar, A. Ross, "50 Years of Biometric Research: Accomplishments, Challenges, and Opportunities", Pattern Recognition Letters 79:80-105, 2016.

Scale Invariant Features

$$\mathbf{D}(x, y, \sigma, k) = (\mathbf{G}(x, y, k\sigma) - \mathbf{G}(x, y, \sigma)) * \mathbf{I}(x, y)$$

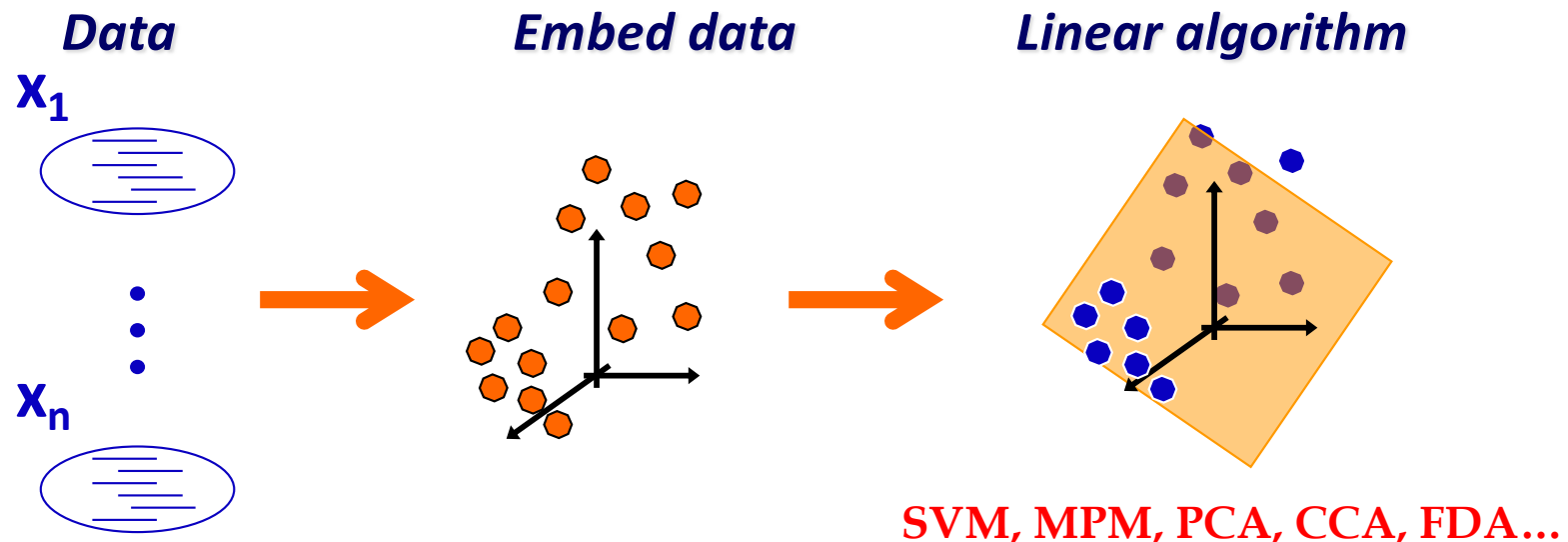
$$\mathbf{D}(x, y, \sigma, k) = \mathbf{L}(x, y, k\sigma) - \mathbf{L}(x, y, \sigma)$$



G. Lowe, "Object recognition from local scale invariant features", International Conference on Computer Vision , 1999.

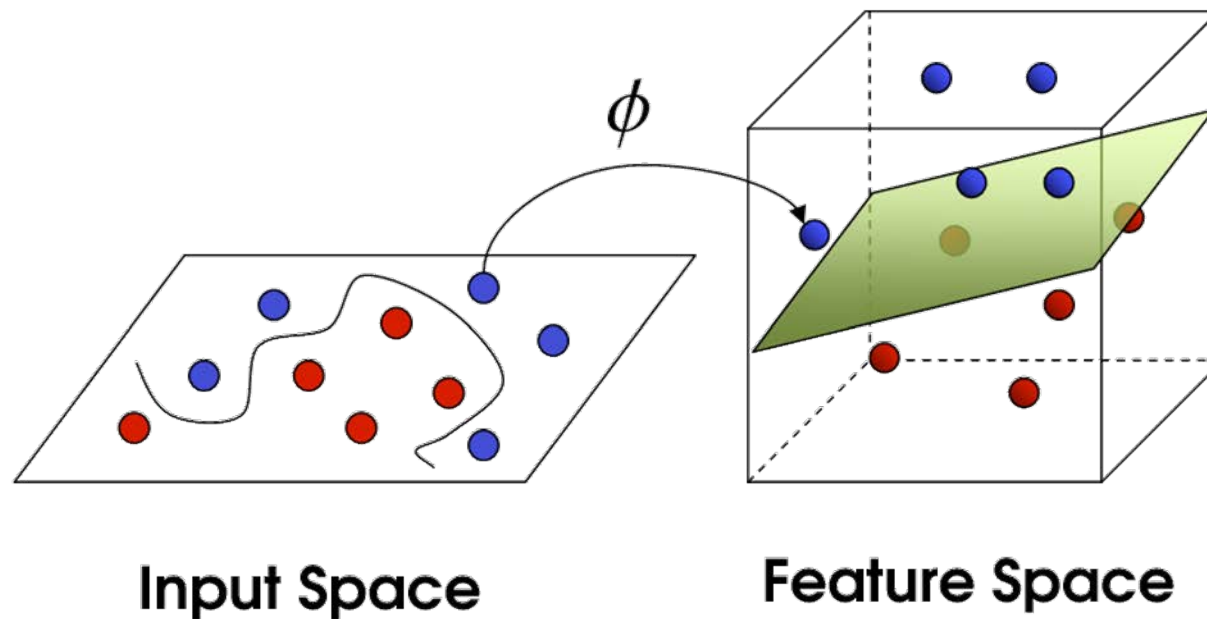
Kernel methods

- **K-PCA; K-ICA; K-LDA...** (B. Schölkopf et al. 1998)
- Are all **variations of existing face-space representations**. The transformation is mediated by a **kernel function** such as Gaussian, polynomial, sigmoid and Radial Basis Functions.
- More **robust to noise and discretization** - Better separation of classes.
- Related to the general **Learning Theory**.



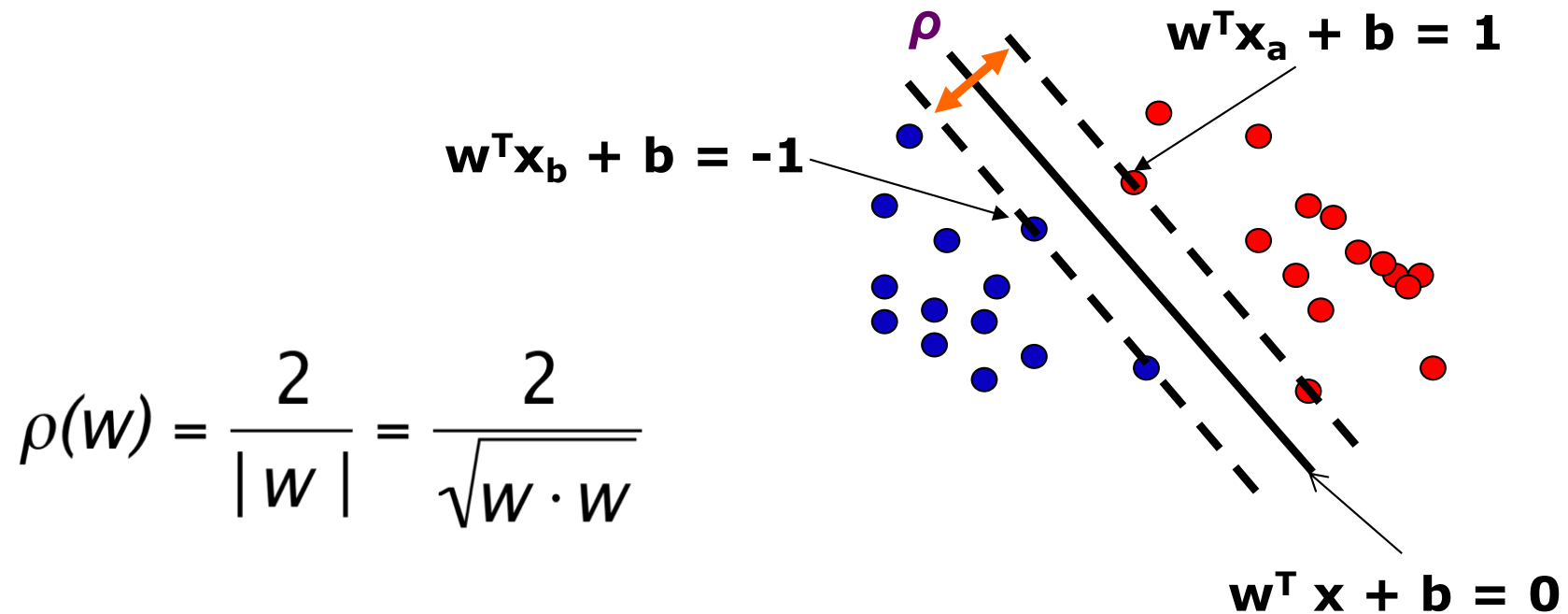
Support vectors

- ◆ Solves linearly separable problems
 - 1. Data projection:** Input data are transformed mapping into higher dimensions

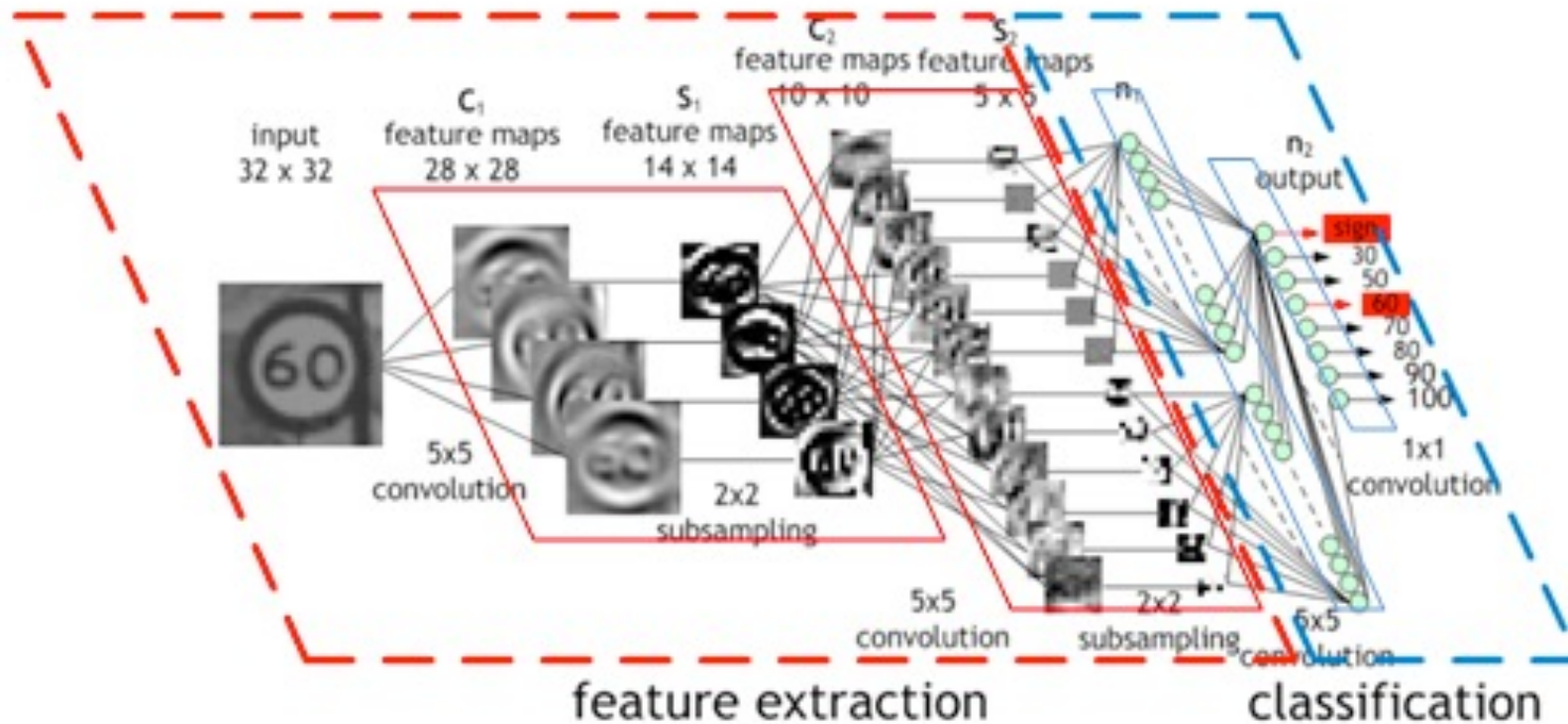


Support vectors

2. Training: find optimal hyperplane $w^T x_i + b = 0$
margin maximisation $\min_{i=1, \dots, n} |w^T x_i + b| = 1$

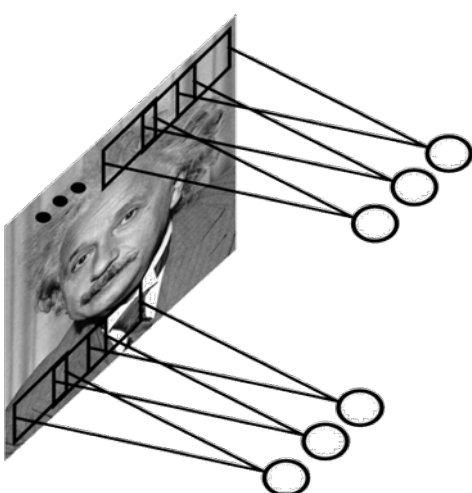
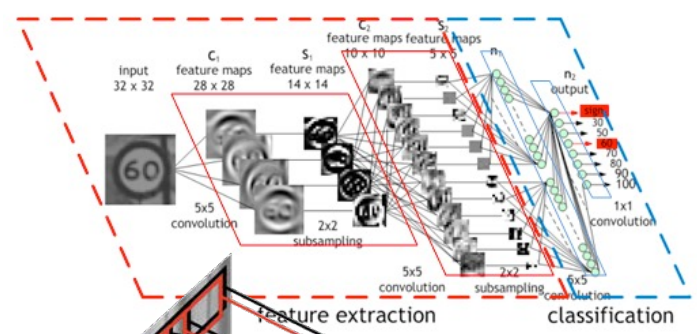


Convolutional Neural Networks

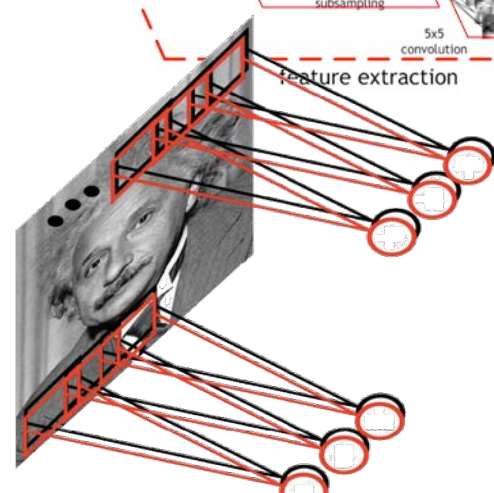




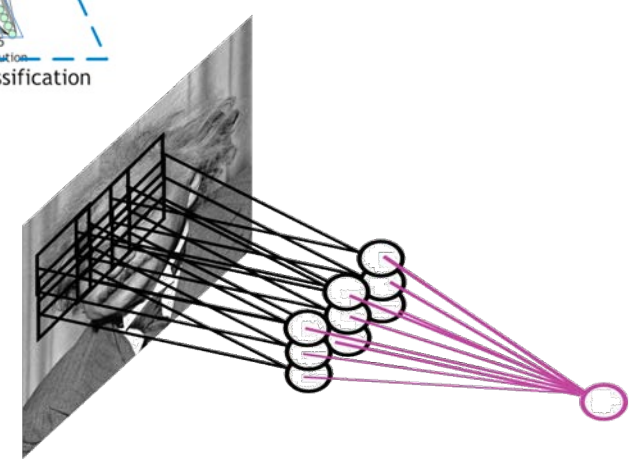
Convolutional Neural Networks



Single kernel Convolution



Multiple kernels Convolution

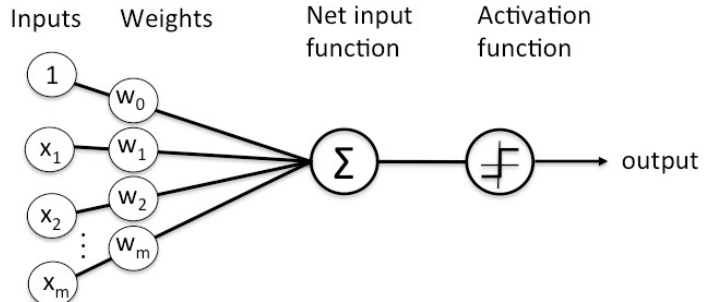


Spatial Pooling

Let m be the size of pooling region, x be the input, and y be the output of the pooling layer. $\text{subsample}(f, g)[n]$ denotes the n -th element of $\text{subsample}(f, g)$.

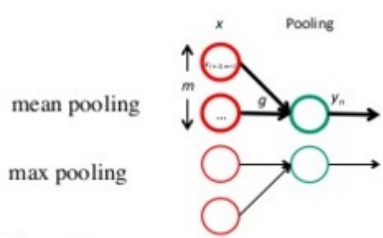
$$y_n = \text{subsample}(x, g)[n] = g(x_{(n-1)m+1:m})$$

$$y = \text{subsample}(x, g) = [y_n]$$

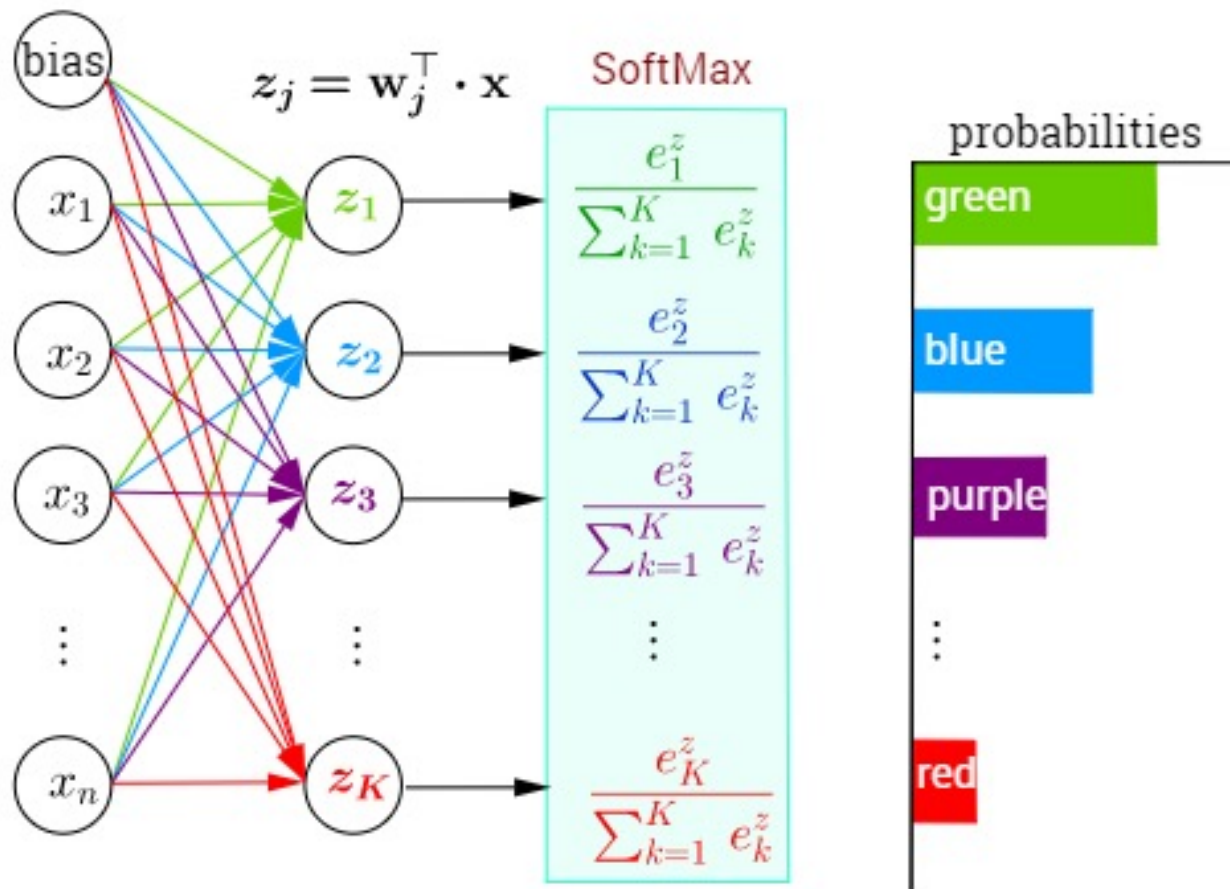


$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^m x_k}{m}, & \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{m} \\ \max(x), & \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i = \max(x) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \|x\|_p = \left(\sum_{k=1}^m |x_k|^p\right)^{1/p}, & \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^m |x_k|^p\right)^{1/p-1} |x_i|^{p-1} \end{cases}$$

or any other differentiable $\mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ functions



Convolutional Neural Networks



```
def softmax(X):  
    exps = np.exp(X)  
    return exps / np.sum(exps)
```

Convolutional Neural Networks



Cross entropy indicates the distance between what the model believes the output distribution should be, and what the original distribution really is:

$$H(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = - \sum_i y_i \log(p_i)$$

```
def cross_entropy(X,y):
```

```
    """ X is the output from a fully connected layer (num_examples x num_classes)
```

```
    y is labels (num_examples x 1)
```

```
    Note that y is not one-hot encoded vector. It can be computed as y.argmax(axis=1) from one-hot encoded vectors of labels if required.
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    """
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```
    m = y.shape[0]          # We use multidimensional array indexing to extract
```

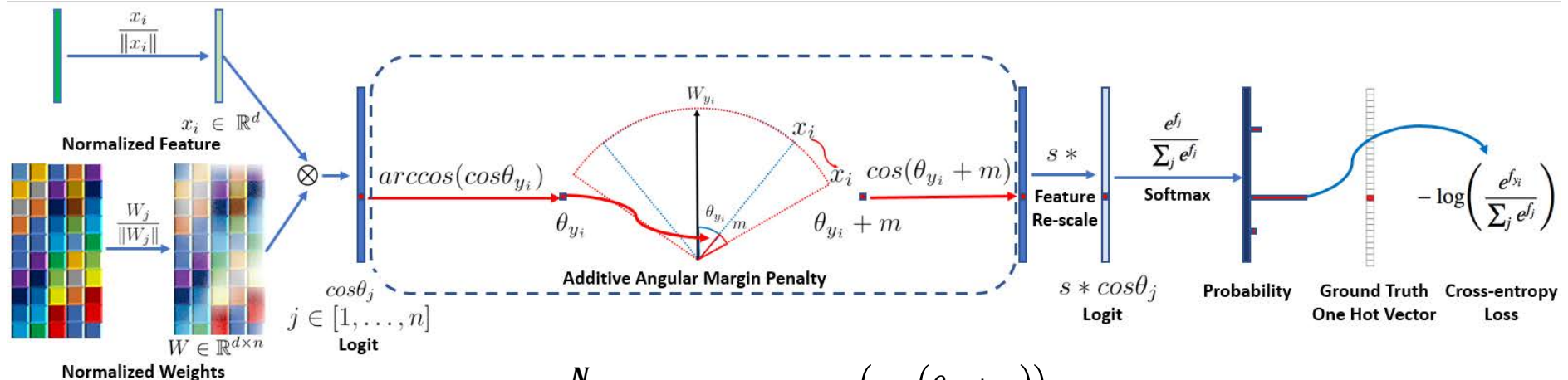
```
    p = softmax(X)         # softmax probability of the correct label for each sample.
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    log_likelihood = -np.log(p[range(m),y])
```

```
    loss = np.sum(log_likelihood) / m
```

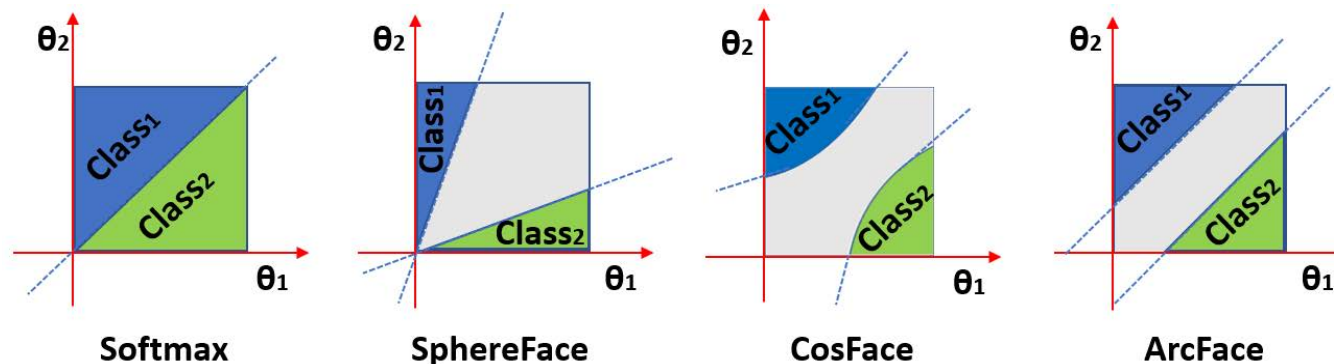
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    return loss
```

Loss functions



$$L(s) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \frac{e^{s(\cos(\theta_{y_i} + m))}}{e^{s(\cos(\theta_{y_i} + m))} + \sum_{j=1, j \neq y_i}^n e^{s \cos \theta_j}}$$

θ_j is the angle between the weight W_j and the feature x_i ; $s = \|x_i\|$



Deng J, Guo J, Yang J, Xue N, Cotsia I, Zafeiriou SP. **ArcFace: Additive Angular Margin Loss for Deep Face Recognition**. IEEE Trans PAMI. 2021 Jun 9; doi: 10.1109/TPAMI.2021.3087709. <https://github.com/deepinsight/insightface>

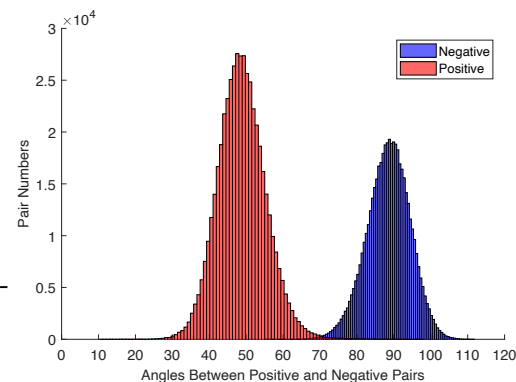
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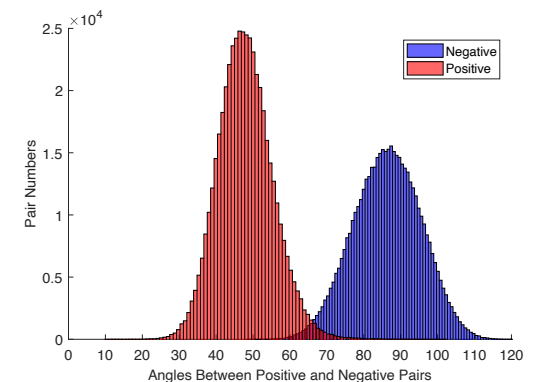
Loss Functions	LFW	CFP-FP	AgeDB-30
ArcFace (0.4)	99.53	95.41	94.98
ArcFace (0.45)	99.46	95.47	94.93
ArcFace (0.5)	99.53	95.56	95.15
ArcFace (0.55)	99.41	95.32	95.05
SphereFace [18]	99.42	-	-
SphereFace (1.35)	99.11	94.38	91.70
CosFace [37]	99.33	-	-
CosFace (0.35)	99.51	95.44	94.56
CM1 (1, 0.3, 0.2)	99.48	95.12	94.38
CM2 (0.9, 0.4, 0.15)	99.50	95.24	94.86
Softmax	99.08	94.39	92.33
Norm-Softmax (NS)	98.56	89.79	88.72
NS+Intra	98.75	93.81	90.92
NS+Inter	98.68	90.67	89.50
NS+Intra+Inter	98.73	94.00	91.41
Triplet (0.35)	98.98	91.90	89.98
ArcFace+Intra	99.45	95.37	94.73
ArcFace+Inter	99.43	95.25	94.55
ArcFace+Intra+Inter	99.43	95.42	95.10
ArcFace+Triplet	99.50	95.51	94.40

Table 2. Verification results (%) of different loss functions ([CA-SIA, ResNet50, loss*]).

Method	#Image	LFW	YTF
DeepID [32]	0.2M	99.47	93.20
Deep Face [33]	4.4M	97.35	91.4
VGG Face [24]	2.6M	98.95	97.30
FaceNet [29]	200M	99.63	95.10
Baidu [16]	1.3M	99.13	-
Center Loss [38]	0.7M	99.28	94.9
Range Loss [46]	5M	99.52	93.70
Marginal Loss [9]	3.8M	99.48	95.98
SphereFace [18]	0.5M	99.42	95.0
SphereFace+ [17]	0.5M	99.47	-
CosFace [37]	5M	99.73	97.6
MS1MV2, R100, ArcFace	5.8M	99.83	98.02



(a) ArcFace



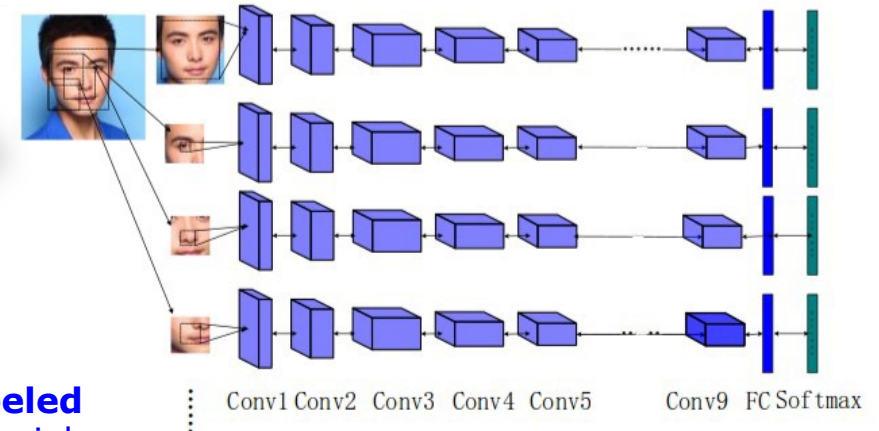
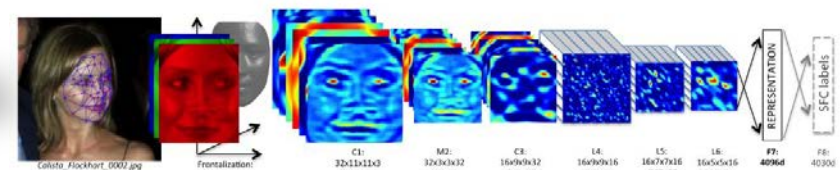
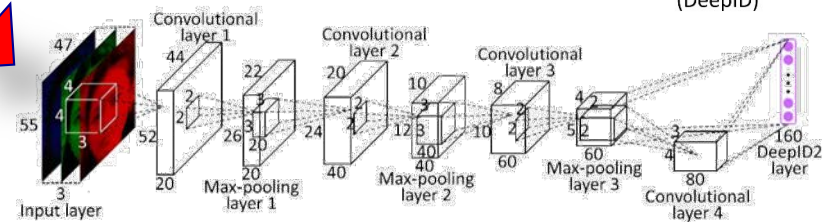
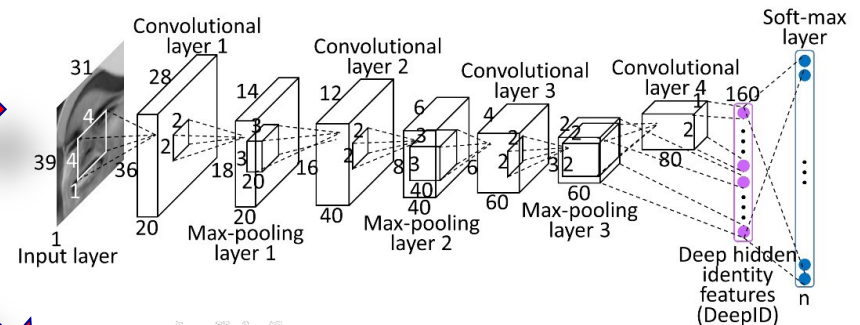
(b) Triplet-Loss

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State of the art



- DeepID (Y. Sun, X.Wang, X. Tang – CVPR 2014)
- DeepID2 (Y. Sun, X.Wang, X. Tang - NIPS 2014)
- DeepID2+
- DeepID3
- DeepFace (Y. Taigman, M. Yang, M. Ranzato, L. Wolf CVPR 2015)
- Face++; FaceNet
- VGG (M. Parkhi, A. Vedaldi, A. Zissermann - BMVC 2015)
- Baidu (J.Liu, Y.Deng, T.Bai, Z.Wei, C.Huang CVPR 2015)
- GANs, ArcFace, ResNet... **What's next?**



E. Learned-Miller, G. Huang, A. RoyChowdhury, H. Li, G. Hua, "Labeled Faces in the Wild: A Survey", Advances in Face Detection and Facial Image Analysis, pp 189-248, Springer 2016.

State of the art

Dataset	Available	#Photos and #people
LFW	Public	13K of 5K people
CelebFaces 2014	Private	202K of 10K people
CASIA-WebFace 2014	Public	500K of 10K people
FaceScrub 2014	Public	100K of 500 people
YouTube Faces	Public	3425 videos of 1595 people
DeepFace (Facebook) 2014	Private	4.4 Million of 4K people
FaceNet (Google) 2015	Private	100-200 Million of 8M people
MegaFace	Public	1 Million

Figure 2: Representative sample of face recognition datasets that were created in the recent years (in addition to LFW). All the public datasets are small scale, and all the large scale datasets are mainly used for training rather than testing and are not publicly available. MegaFace (this paper) is the first large scale unconstrained dataset. It is collected from Flickr and will be available publicly.

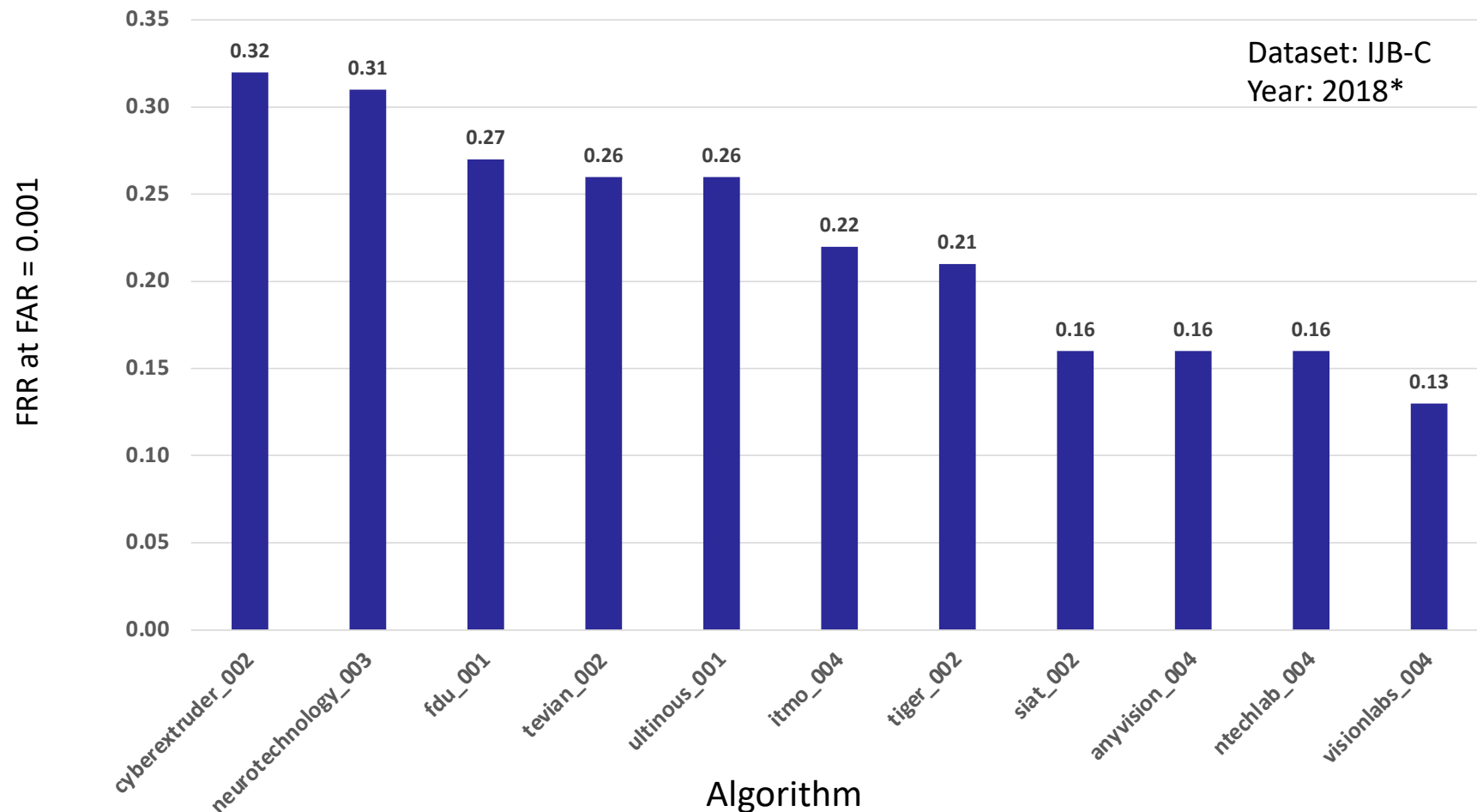
Miller et al. (2015) Mega-Face: A million faces for recognition at scale.

State of the art



FRVT 1:1 Wild-to-wild comparisons

NIST

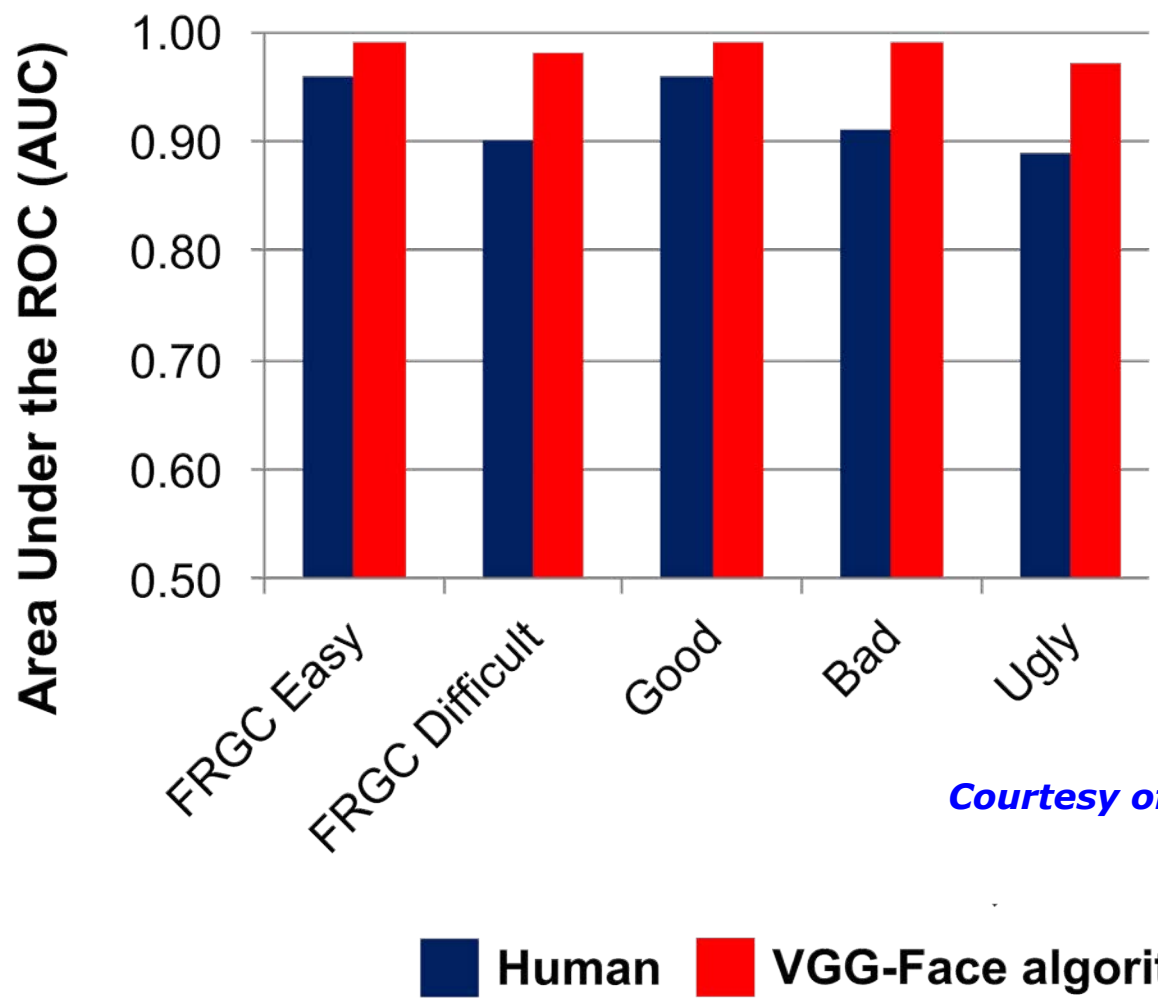


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Face Recognition Performance



❖ How do machines vs humans perform

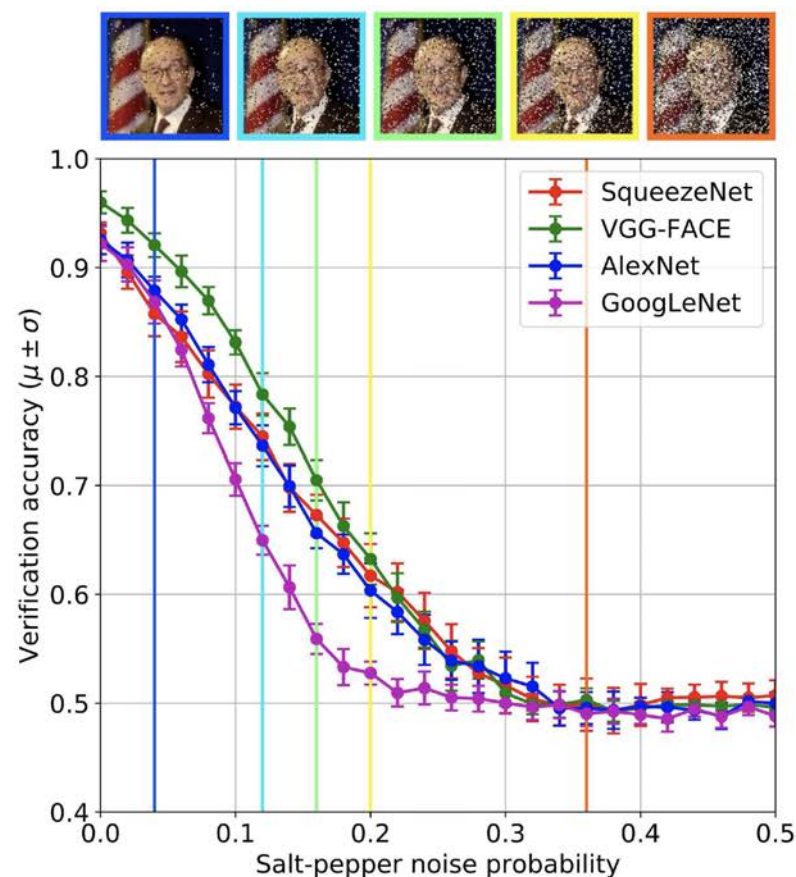
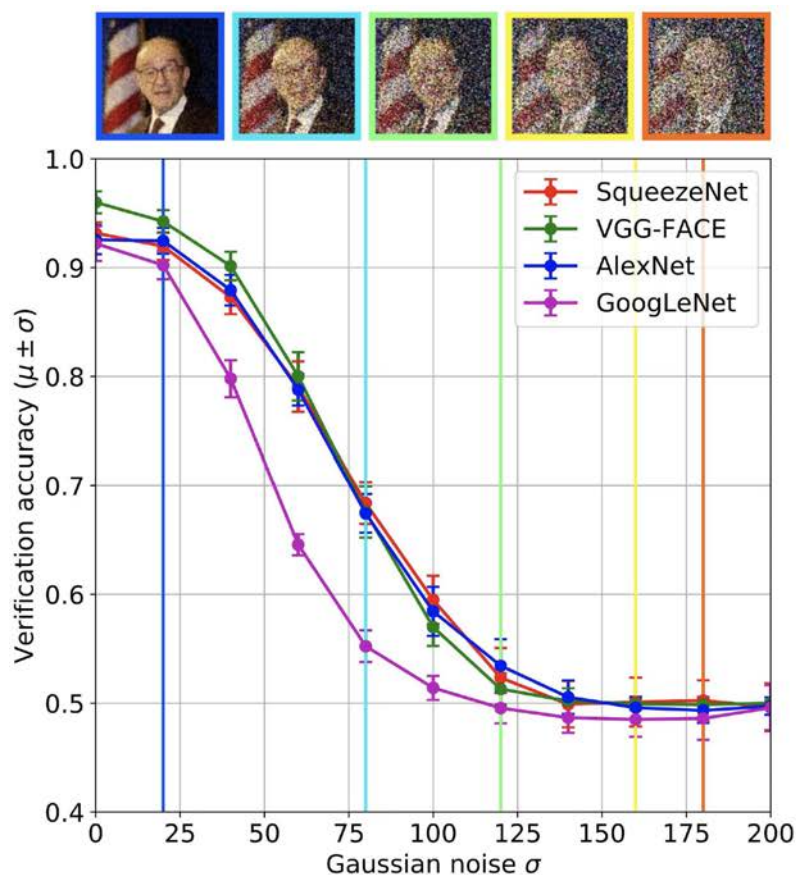


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■ Human ■ VGG-Face algorithm

CNN Performance

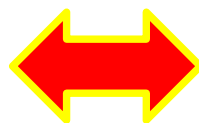
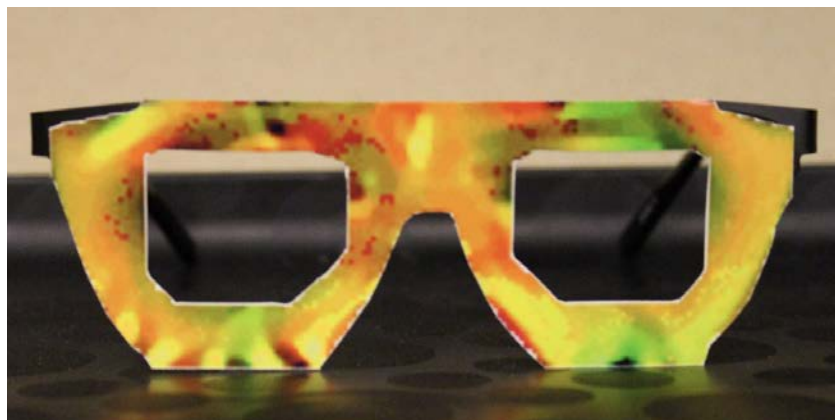
❖ However, we're not done yet...



K. Grm , V. Štruc, A. Artiges, M. Caron, H. K. Ekenel, "**Strengths and weaknesses of deep learning models for face recognition against image degradations**" IET Biometrics, 7(1):81-89, 2018

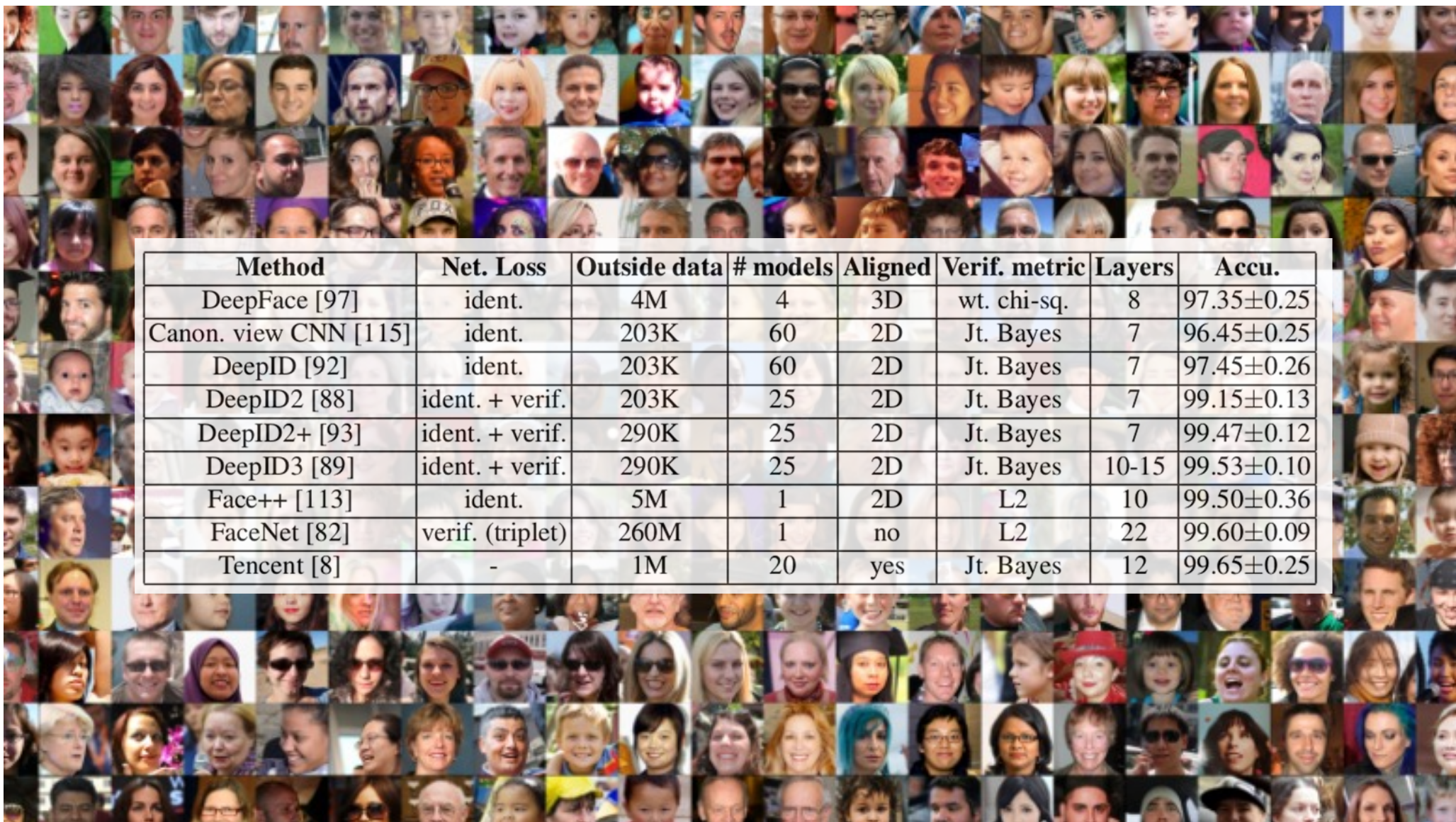
CNN Performance

❖ The “magic glasses”



M. Sharif , S. Bhagavatula, L. Bauer, M. K. Reiter, "**Accessorize to a Crime: Real and Stealthy Attacks on State-of-the-Art Face Recognition**", CCS'16 October 24-28, 2016, Vienna, Austria

The “curse of training”



Method	Net. Loss	Outside data	# models	Aligned	Verif. metric	Layers	Accu.
DeepFace [97]	ident.	4M	4	3D	wt. chi-sq.	8	97.35±0.25
Canon. view CNN [115]	ident.	203K	60	2D	Jt. Bayes	7	96.45±0.25
DeepID [92]	ident.	203K	60	2D	Jt. Bayes	7	97.45±0.26
DeepID2 [88]	ident. + verif.	203K	25	2D	Jt. Bayes	7	99.15±0.13
DeepID2+ [93]	ident. + verif.	290K	25	2D	Jt. Bayes	7	99.47±0.12
DeepID3 [89]	ident. + verif.	290K	25	2D	Jt. Bayes	10-15	99.53±0.10
Face++ [113]	ident.	5M	1	2D	L2	10	99.50±0.36
FaceNet [82]	verif. (triplet)	260M	1	no	L2	22	99.60±0.09
Tencent [8]	-	1M	20	yes	Jt. Bayes	12	99.65±0.25

Is this *you*?



Face recognition concerns



San Francisco just banned facial-recognition technology



By Rachel Metz, CNN Business

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The ban is part of a broader [anti-surveillance ordinance](#) that the city's Board of Supervisors approved on Tuesday. The ordinance, which outlaws the use of facial-recognition technology by police and other government departments, could also spur other local governments to take similar action. Eight of the board's 11 supervisors voted in favor of it; one voted against it, and two who support it were absent.

...The ordinance adds yet more fuel to the fire blazing around facial-recognition technology.

While the technology grows in popularity, it has come under increased scrutiny as **concerns mount regarding its deployment, accuracy, and even where the faces come from that are used to train the systems.**

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Deep Nets: What have They Ever Done for Vision?

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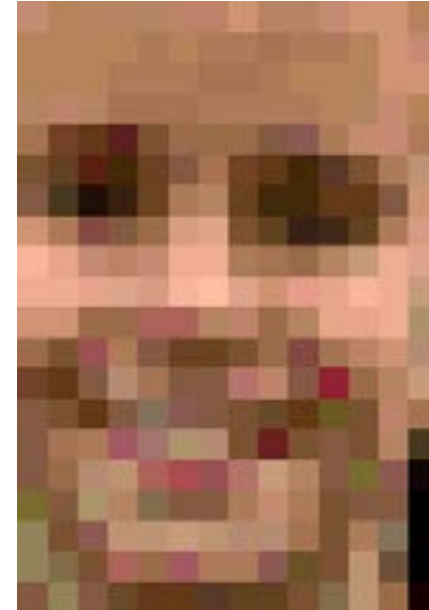
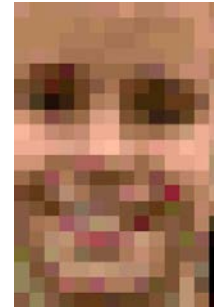
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Abstract

This is an opinion paper about the strengths and weaknesses of Deep Nets for vision. They are at the heart of the enormous recent progress in artificial intelligence and are of growing importance in cognitive science and neuroscience. They have had many successes but also have several limitations and there is limited understanding of their inner workings. At present Deep Nets perform very well on specific visual tasks with benchmark datasets but they are much less general purpose, flexible, and adaptive than the human visual system. **We argue that Deep Nets in their current form are unlikely to be able to overcome the fundamental problem of computer vision, namely how to deal with the combinatorial explosion, caused by the enormous complexity of natural images, and obtain the rich understanding of visual scenes that the human visual achieves. We argue that this combinatorial explosion takes us into a regime where “big data is not enough” and where we need to rethink our methods for benchmarking performance and evaluating vision algorithms.** We stress that, as vision algorithms are increasingly used in real world applications, that performance evaluation is not merely an academic exercise but has important consequences in the real world. It is impractical to review the entire Deep Net literature so we restrict ourselves to a limited range of topics and references which are intended as entry points into the literature. The views expressed in this paper are our own and do not necessarily represent those of anybody else in the computer vision community.

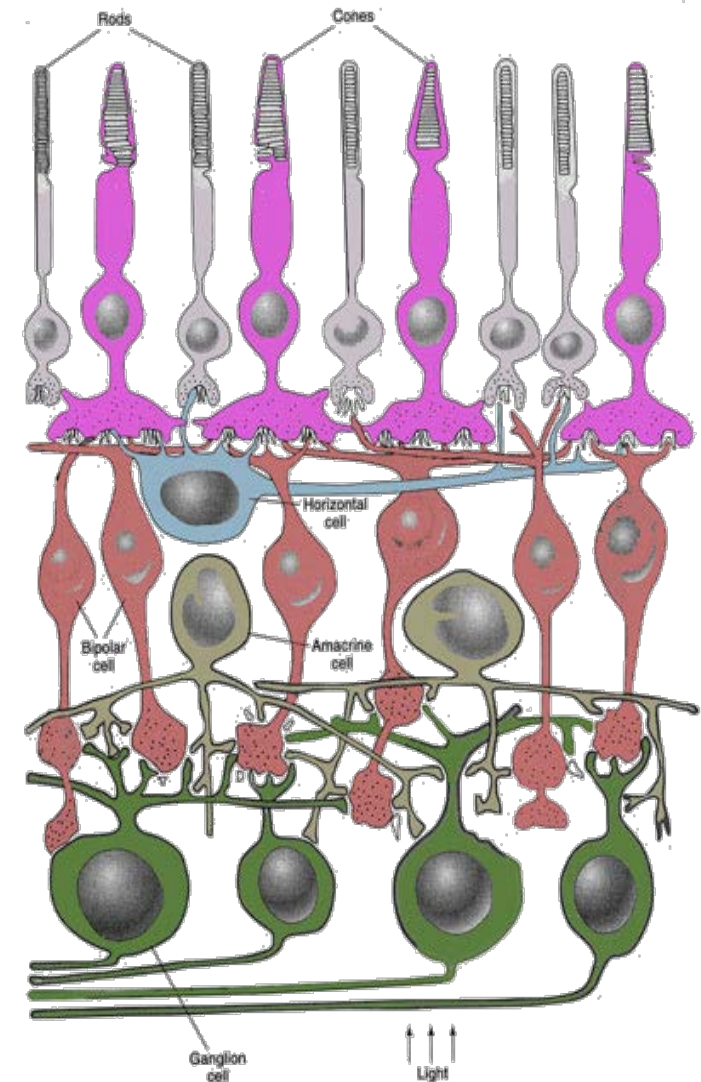
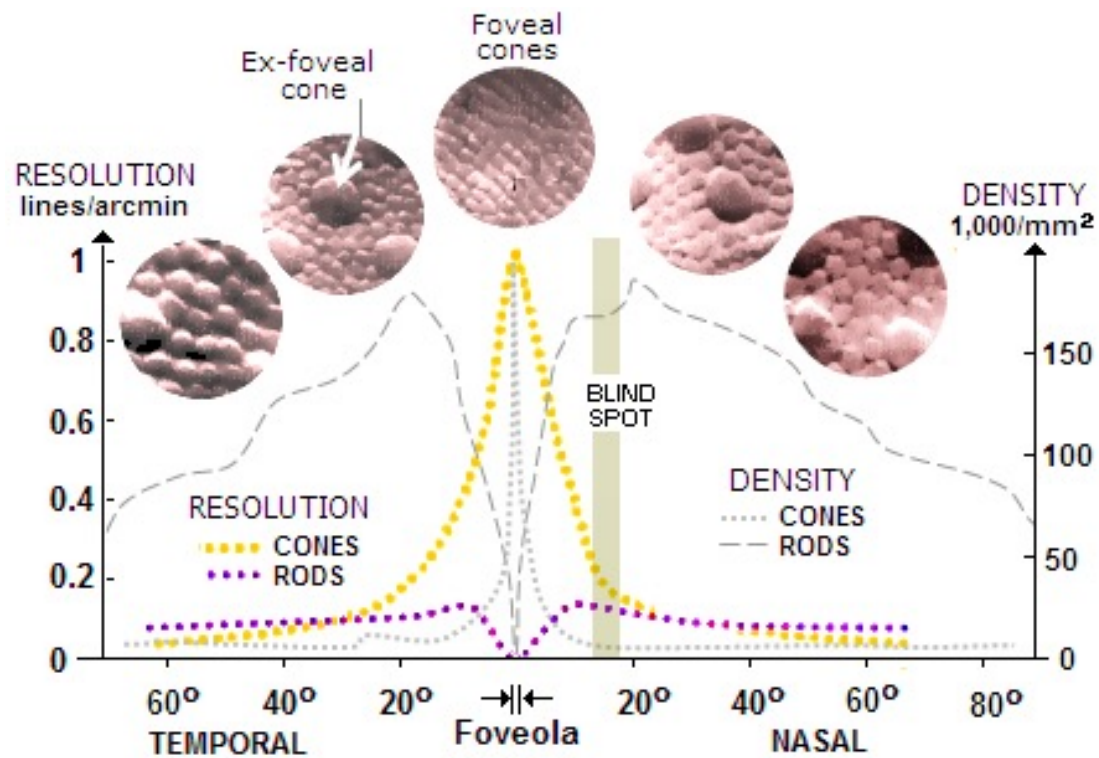
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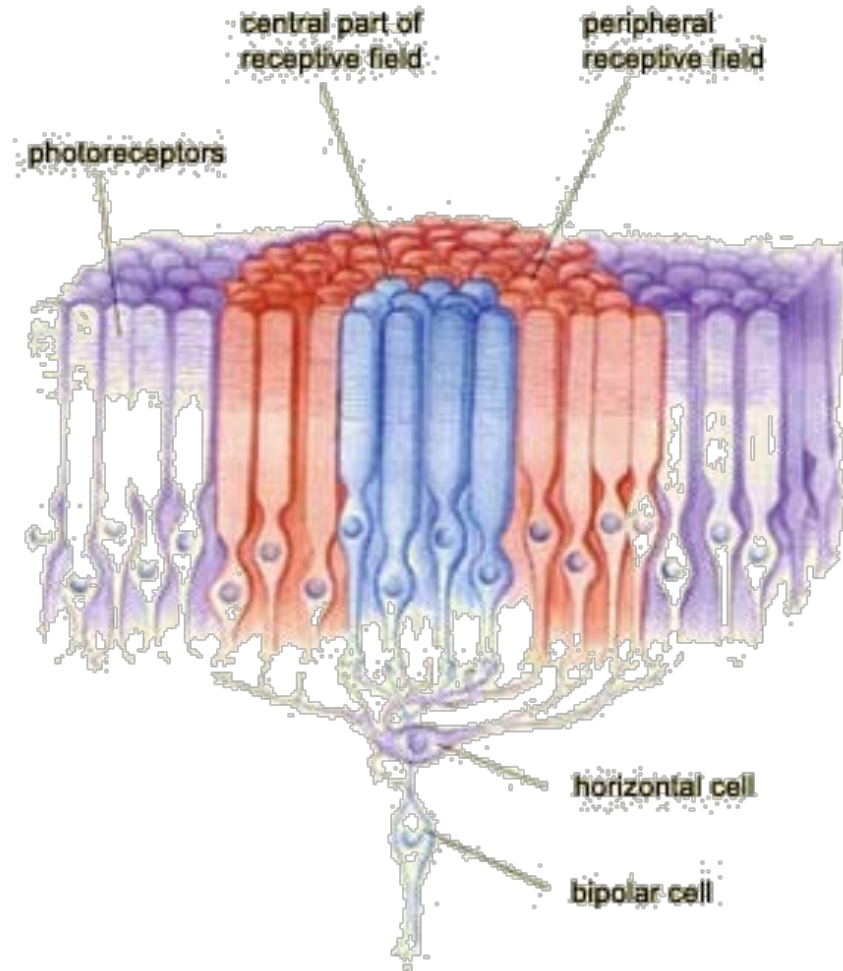
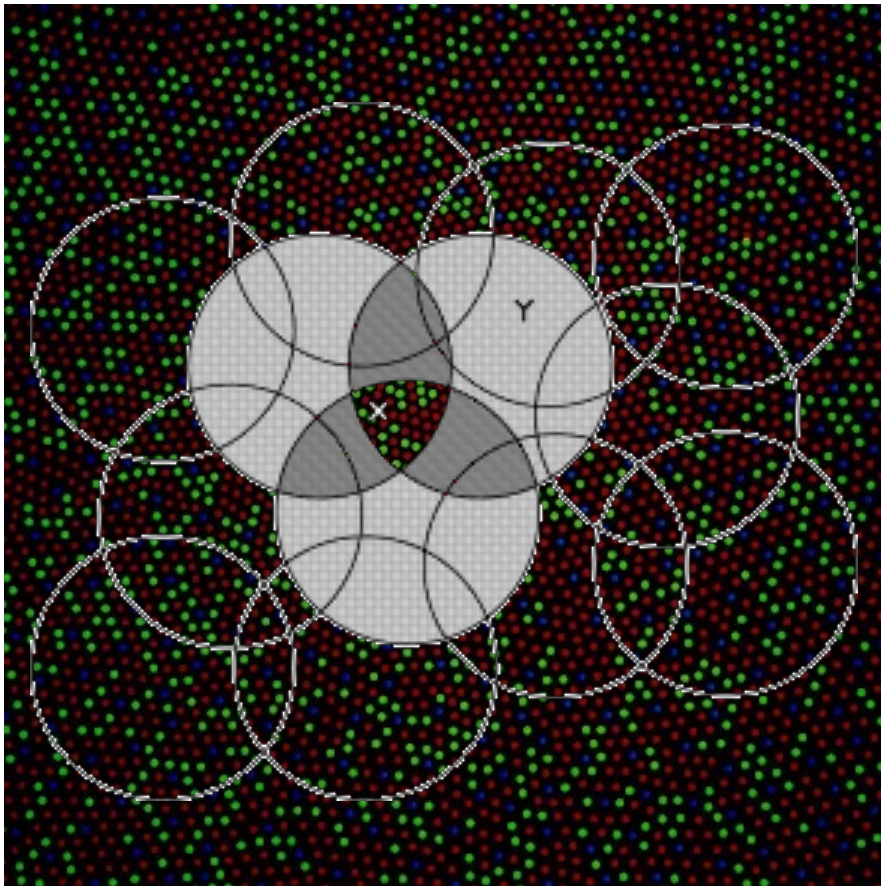


Spatial distribution and **Frequency tuning**

The human retina

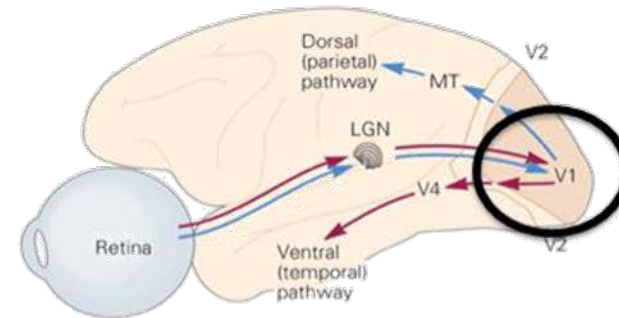
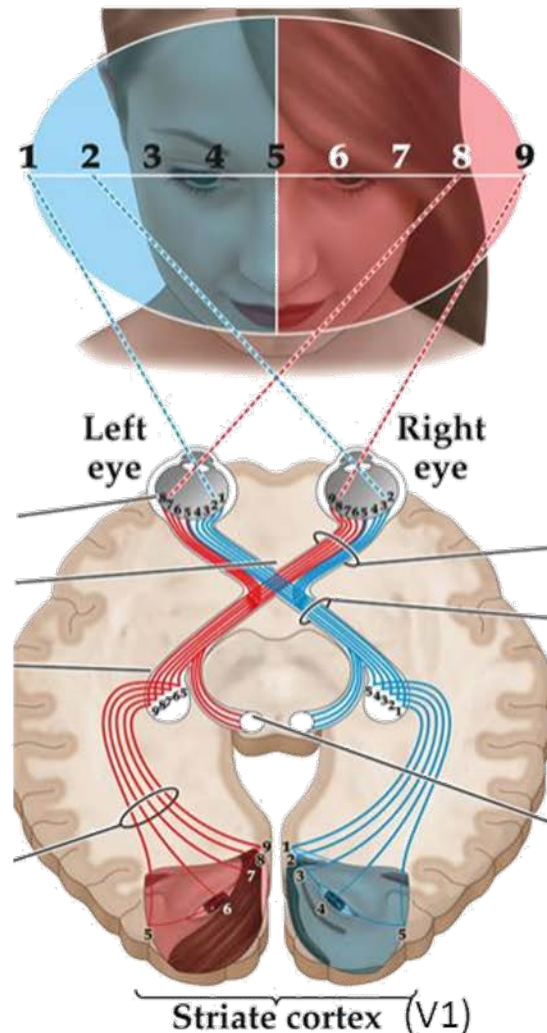


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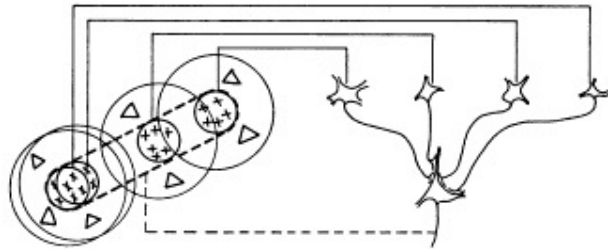
Retinotopic mapping

V1 retinotopic maps

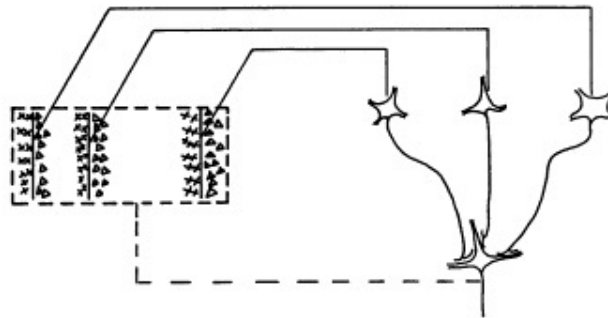


- Each point of the visual field maps on to a local group of neurons in V1.
- Retinotopy = Remapping of retinal image onto cortical surface
- Foveal region uses more of V1 (greater magnification factor)

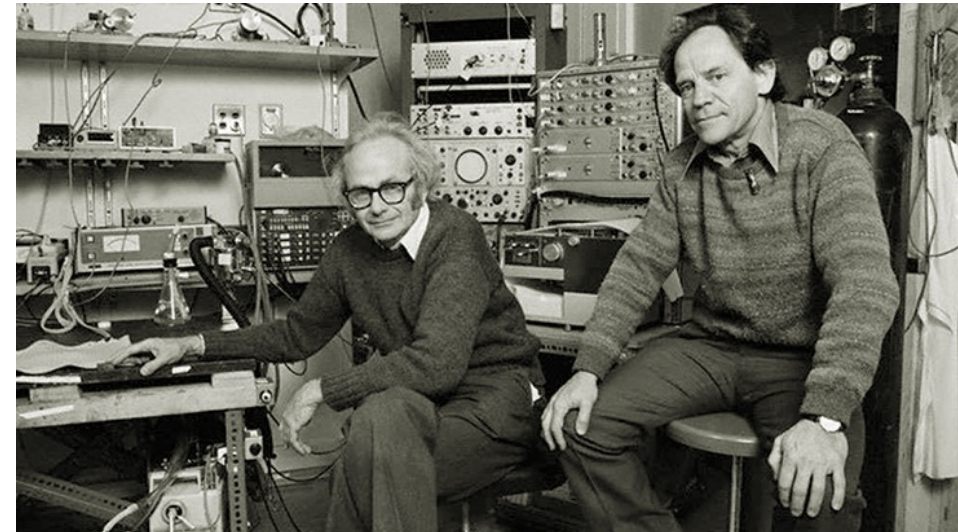
Hubel & Wiesel 1962



Text-fig. 19. Possible scheme for explaining the organization of simple receptive fields. A large number of lateral geniculate cells, of which four are illustrated in the upper right in the figure, have receptive fields with 'on' centres arranged along a straight line on the retina. All of these project upon a single cortical cell, and the synapses are supposed to be excitatory. The receptive field of the cortical cell will then have an elongated 'on' centre indicated by the interrupted lines in the receptive-field diagram to the left of the figure.



Text-fig. 20. Possible scheme for explaining the organization of complex receptive fields. A number of cells with simple fields, of which three are shown schematically, are imagined to project to a single cortical cell of higher order. Each projecting neurone has a receptive field arranged as shown to the left: an excitatory region to the left and an inhibitory region to the right of a vertical straight-line boundary. The boundaries of the fields are staggered within an area outlined by the interrupted lines. Any vertical-edge stimulus falling across this rectangle, regardless of its position, will excite some simple-field cells, leading to excitation of the higher-order cell.



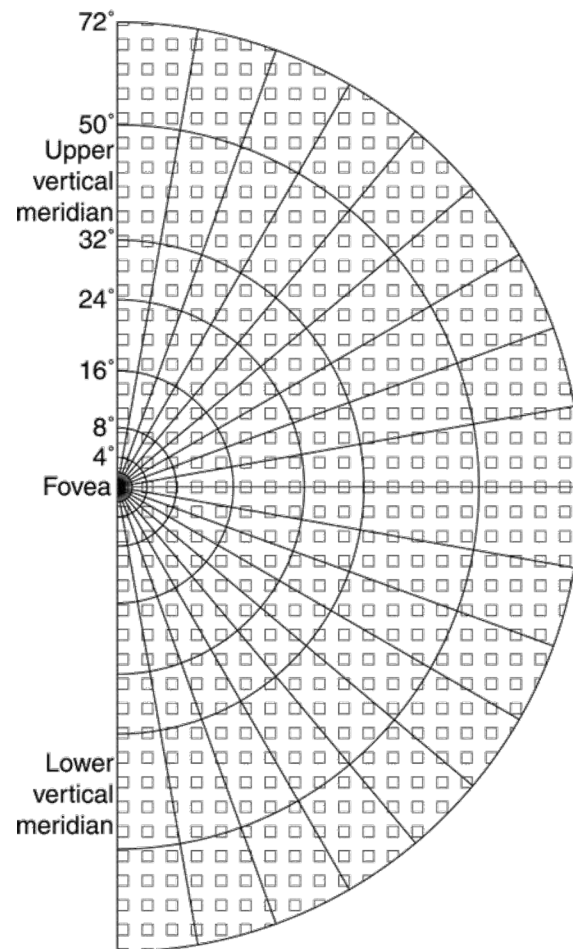
Simple and Complex cells

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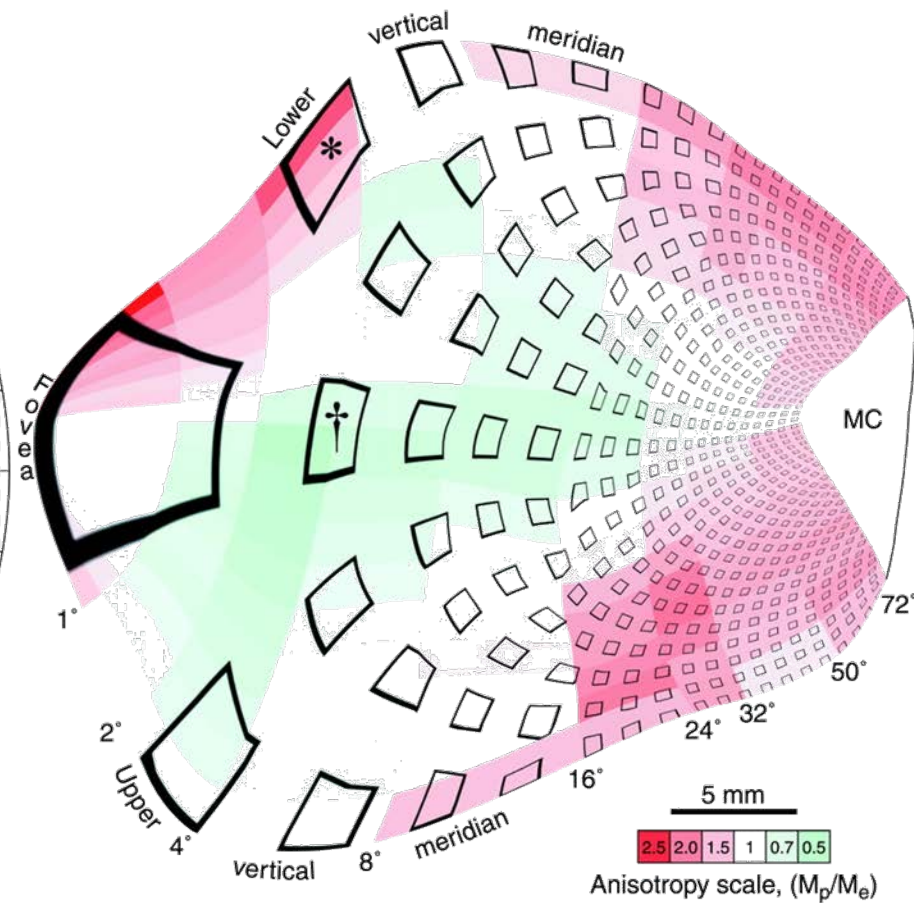
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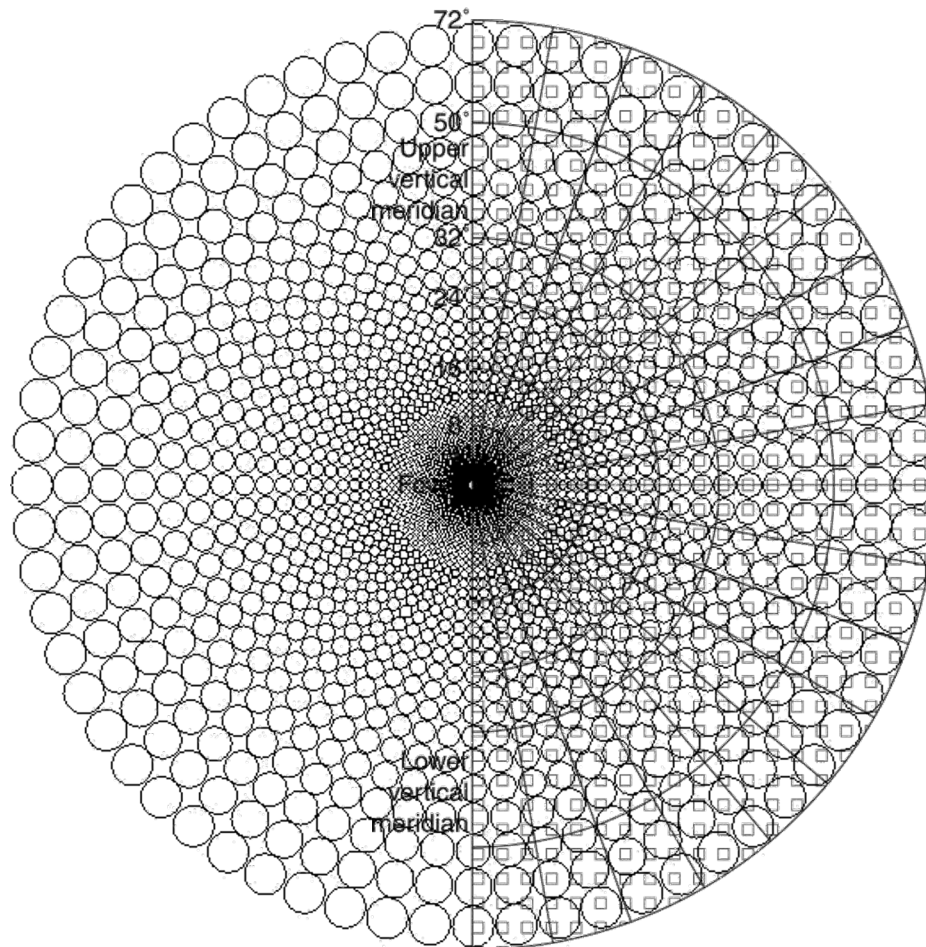


B) Left visual cortex

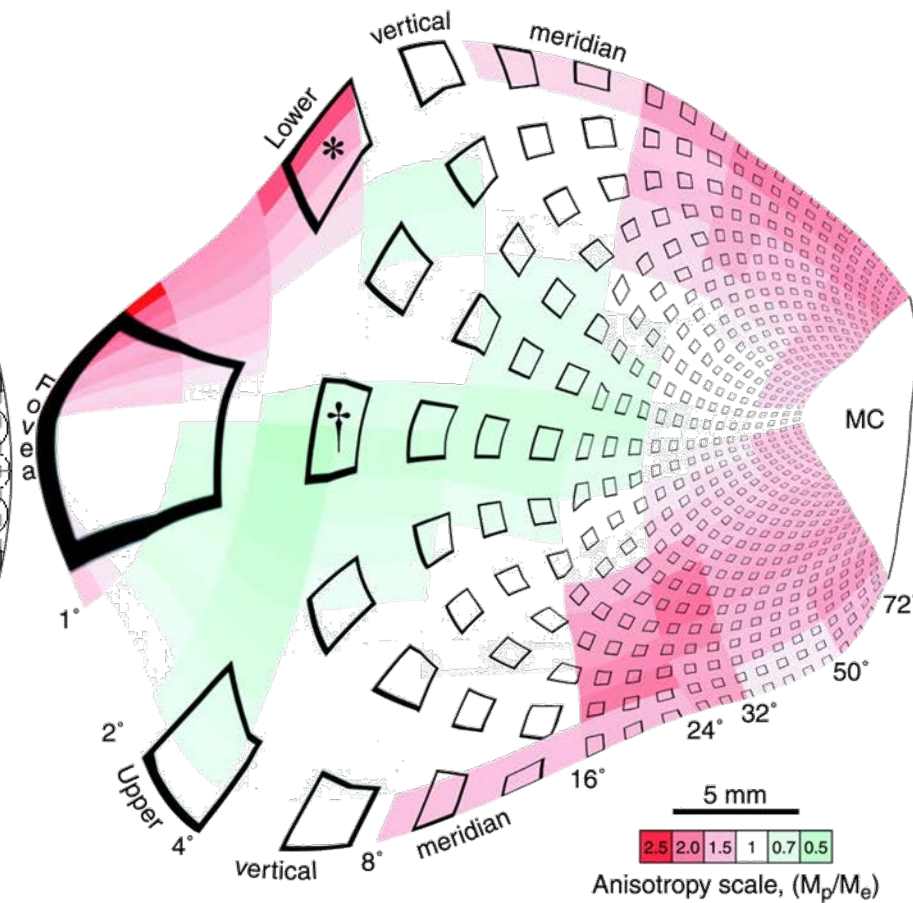


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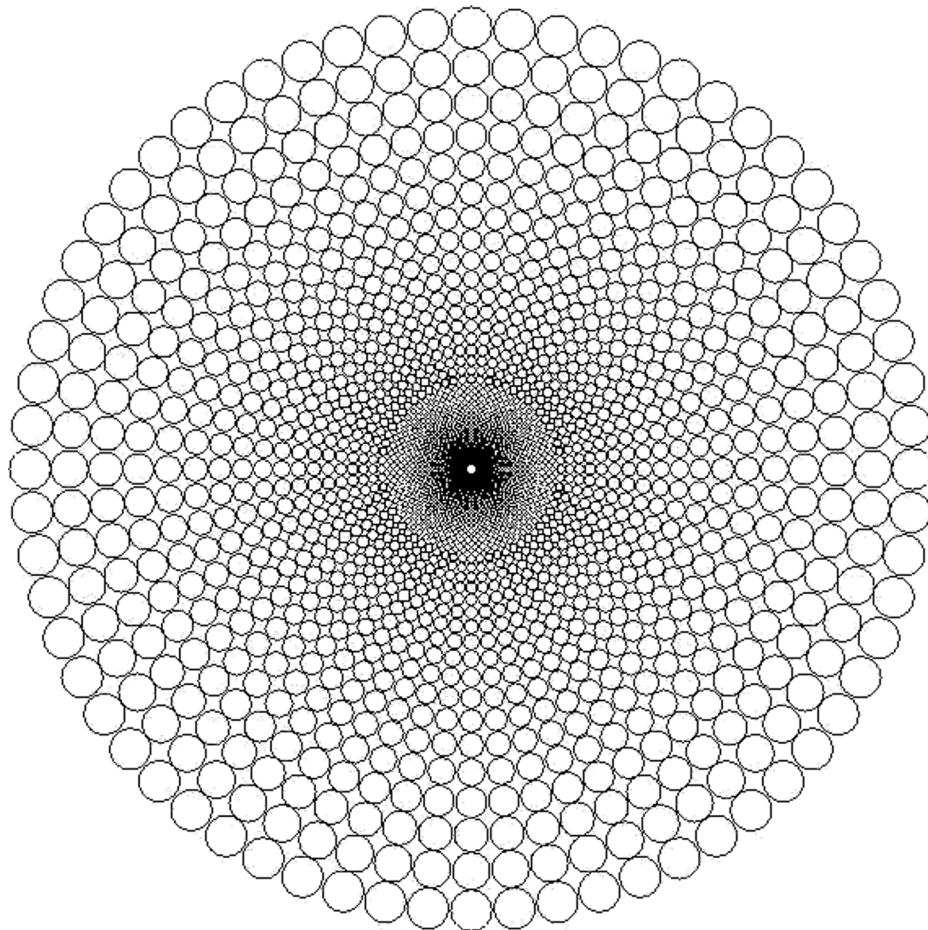
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Log-Polar mapping



The **complex log-polar transform** is a good approximation of the retinal sampling



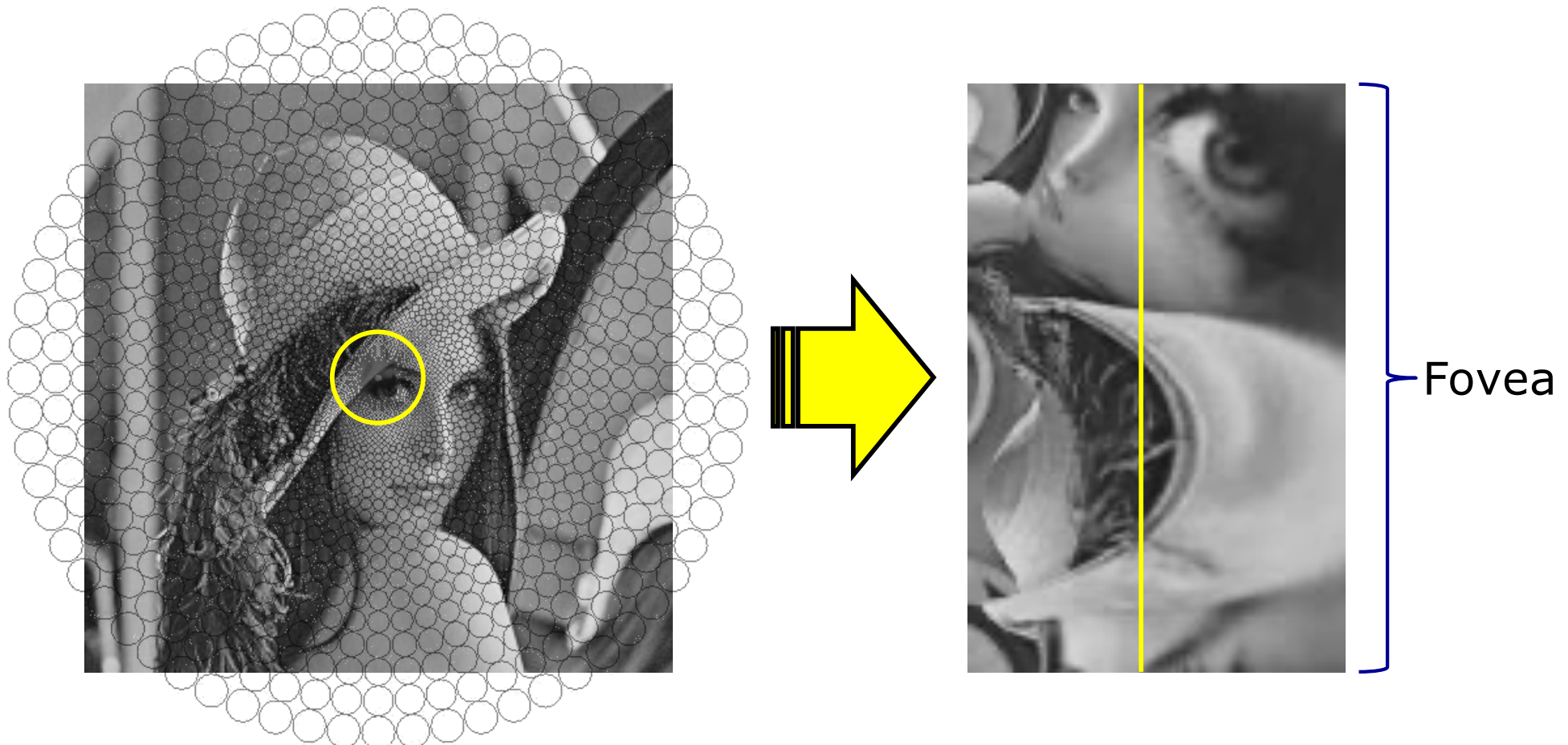
$$\begin{cases} x = \rho \sin \theta \\ y = \rho \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

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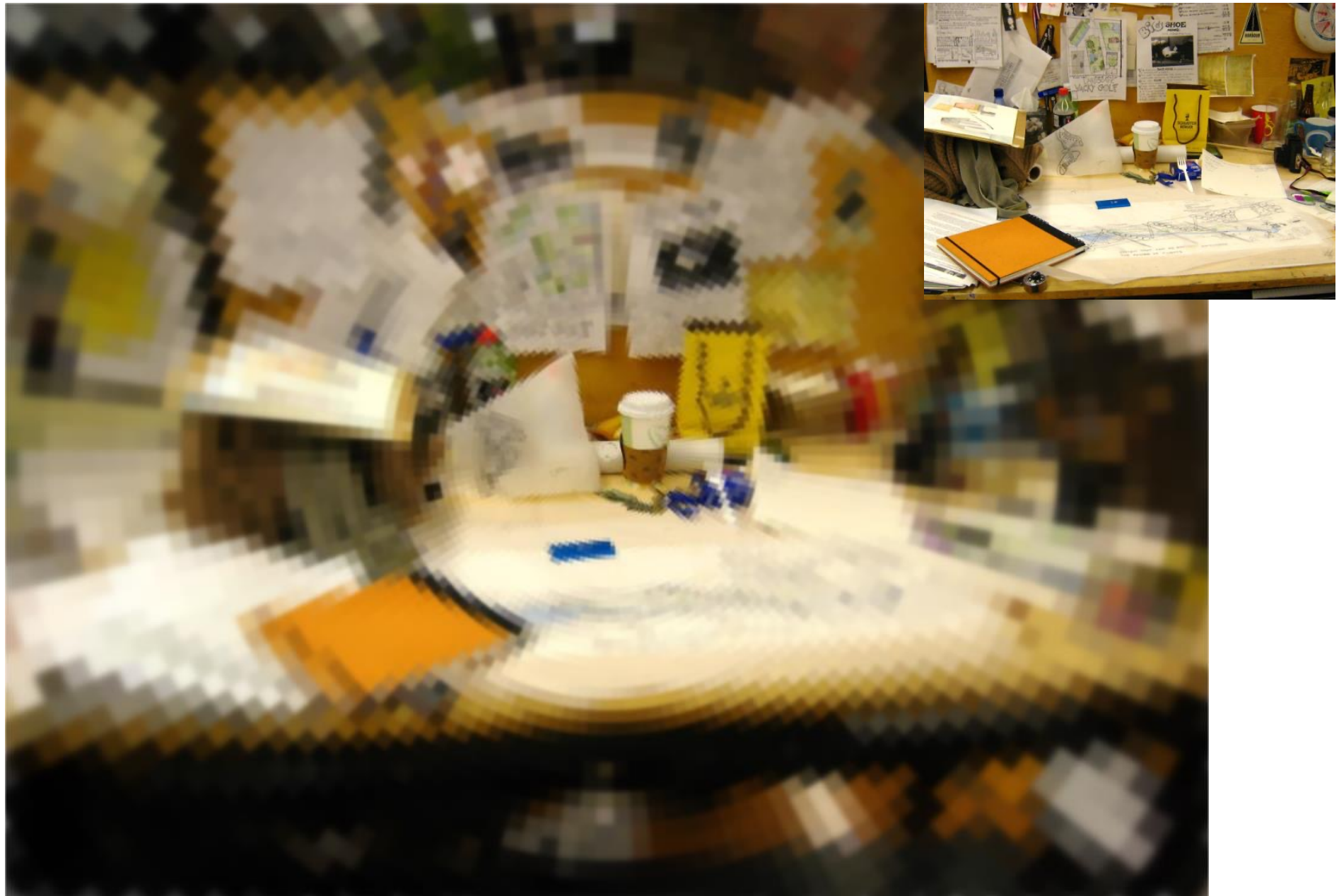
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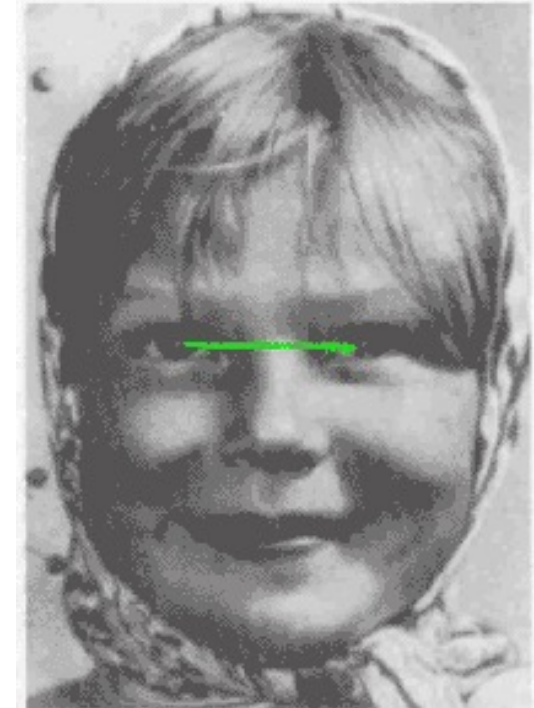
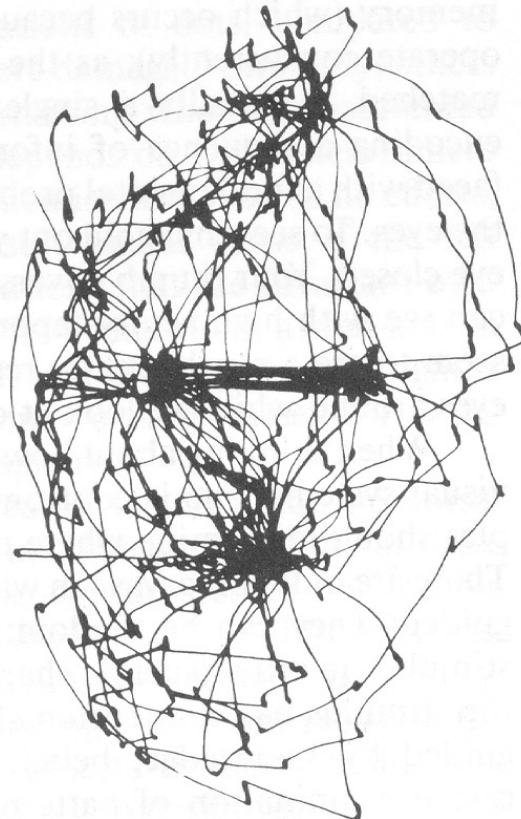


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Visual attention



Visual attention



Eye movements while watching a girl's face

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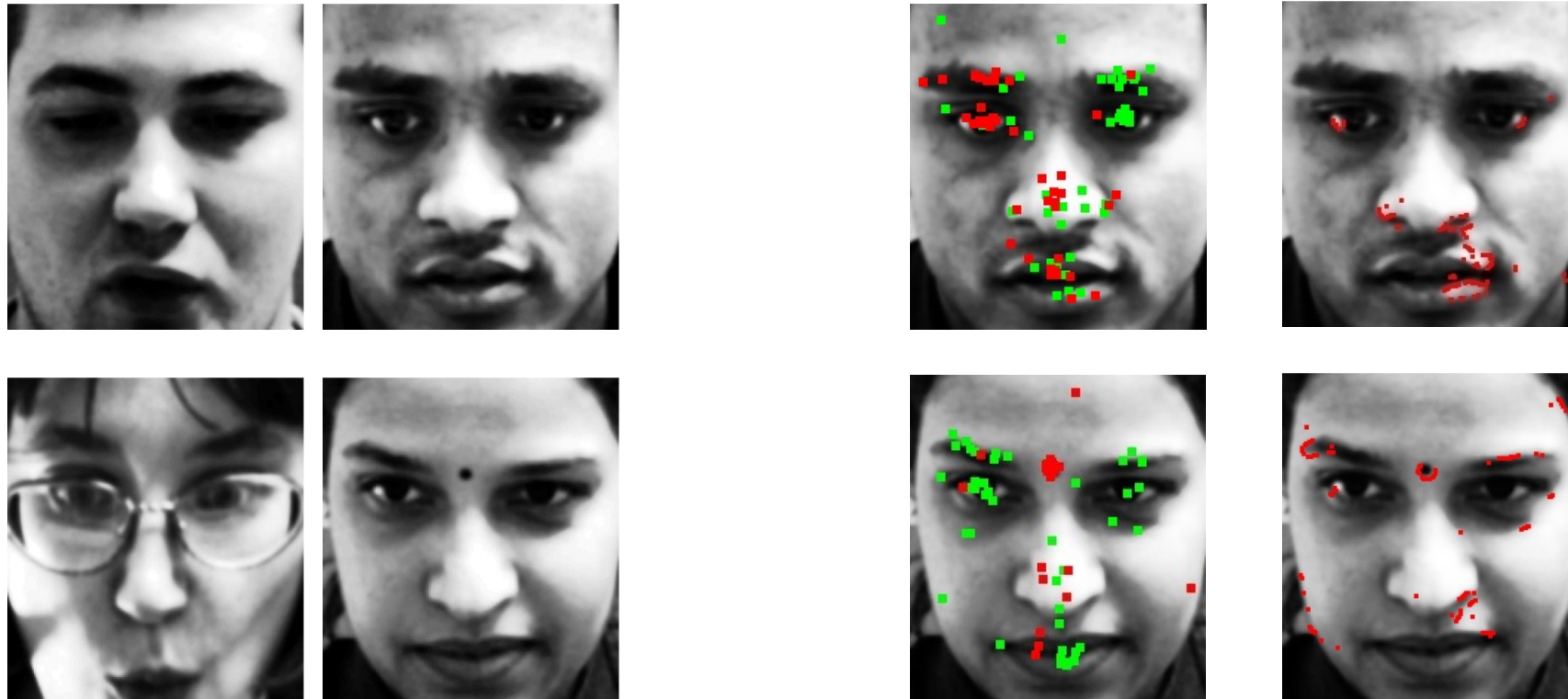
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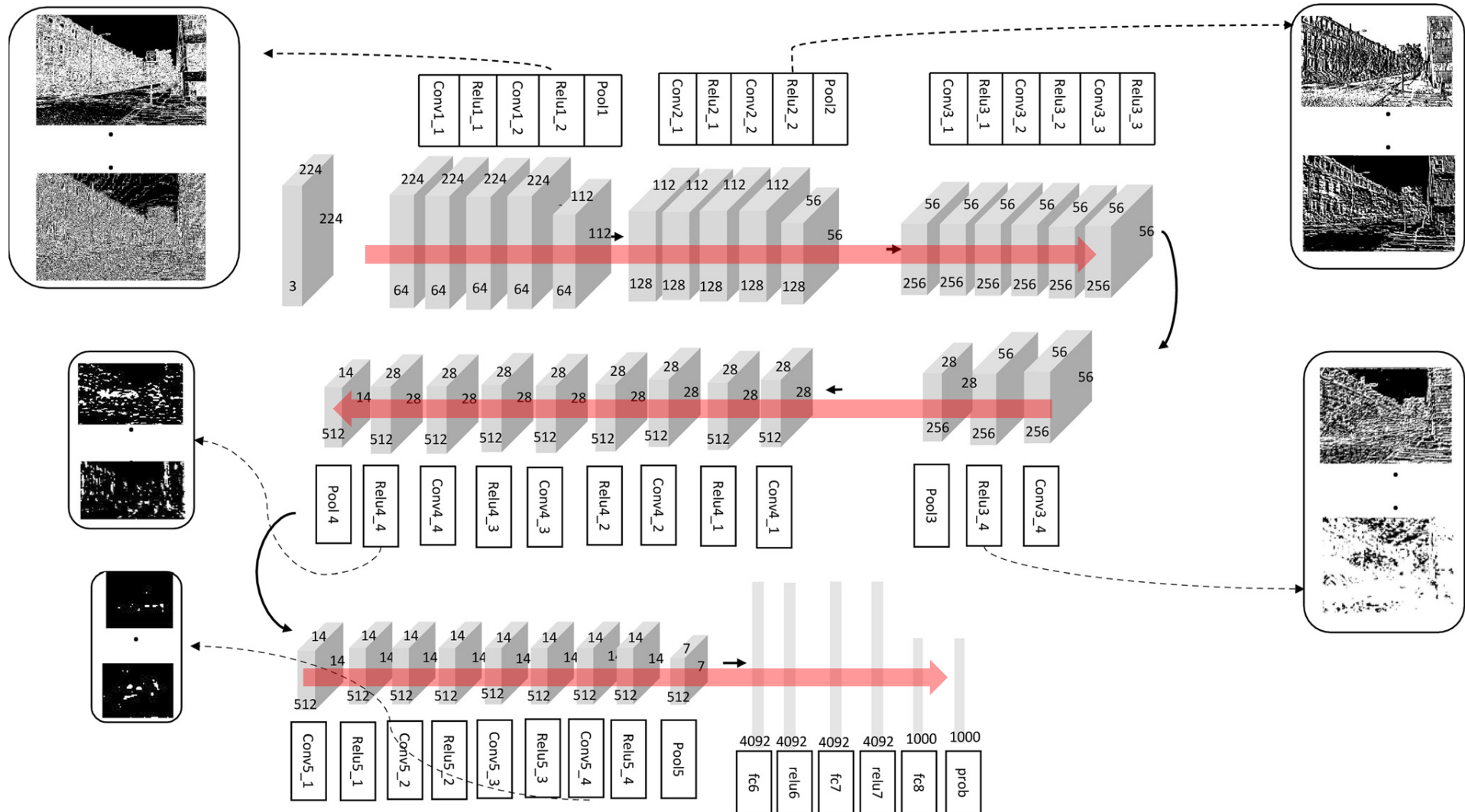
Face pairs compared



(A) perceptual and (B) computational results of saliency of local facial features, demonstrate the relevance of *non-standard* facial landmarks

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Visual attention



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Visual attention



Original



Human



SIFT



SURF



HCD



AlexNet_{C5}



VGG-19_{C5}



VGG-f_{C3}



Densenet_{C3}



Efficientnet_{b6}



Inception_{C6}



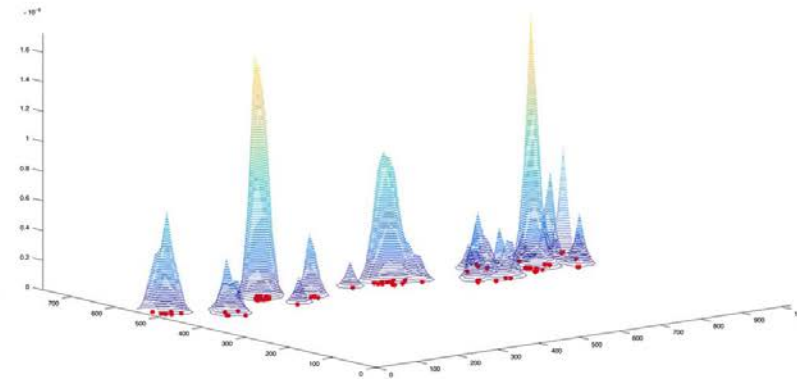
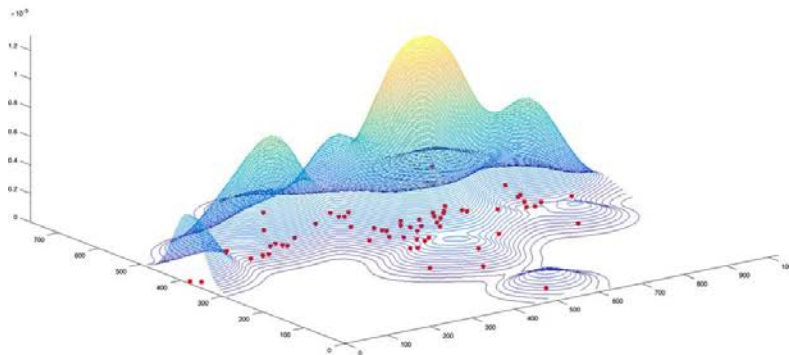
Resnet_{C1}

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Fixation points

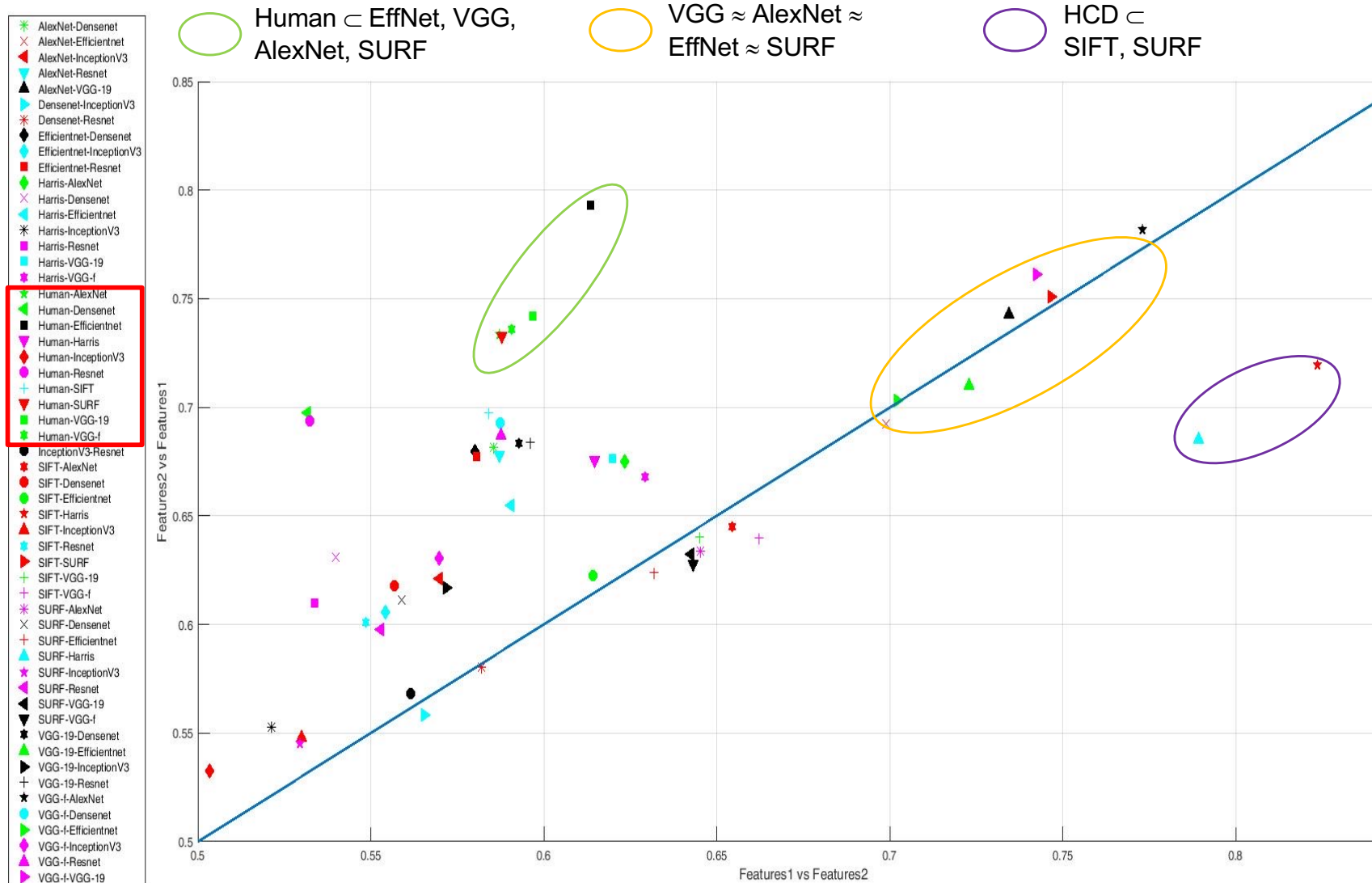


AlexNet interest points.



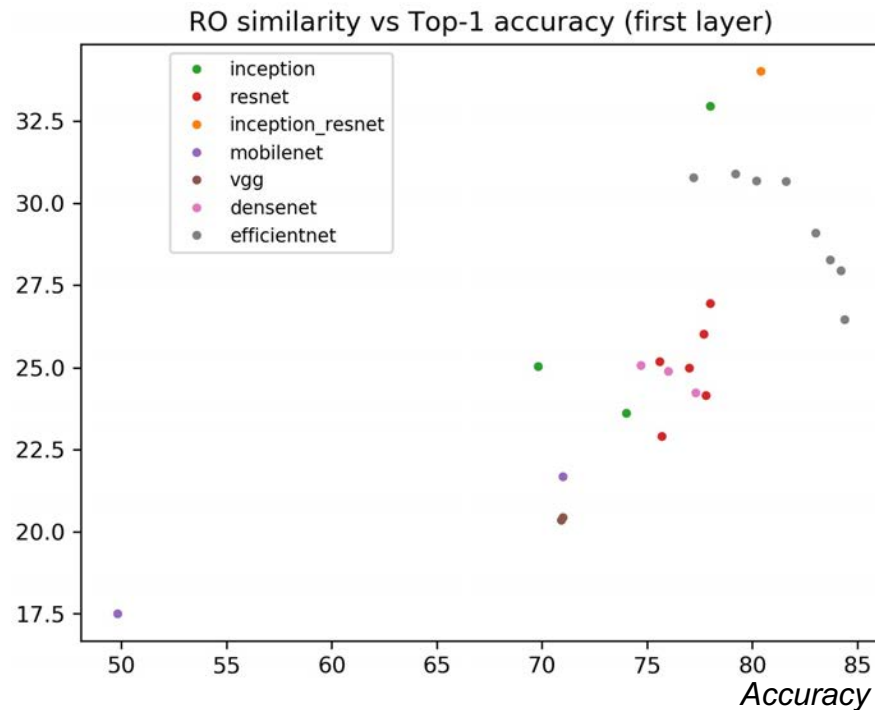
Interest regions are modeled via **Kernel Density Estimation**.

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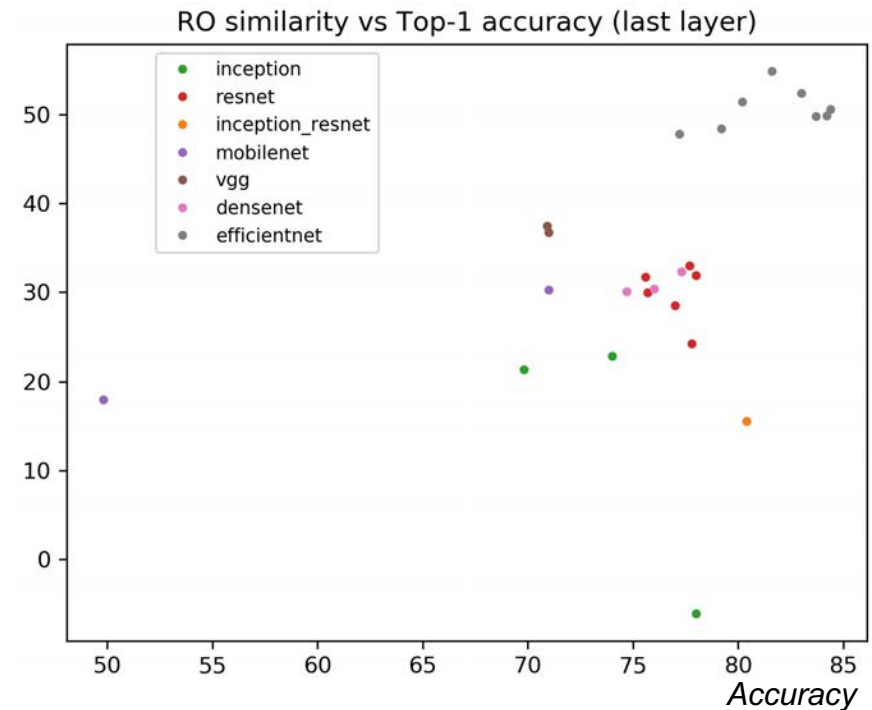


Local similarity between human fixations, CNNs and handcrafted features

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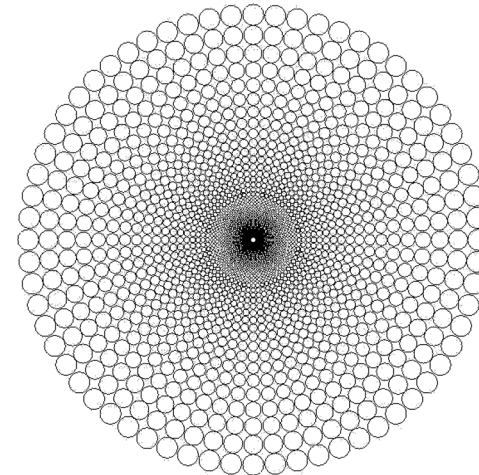
Scatter plot of CNN first layer similarity to fixations vs CNN classification performance.
Spearman rank correlation coefficient $\rho = 0.76$



Scatter plot of CNN last layer similarity to fixations vs CNN classification performance.
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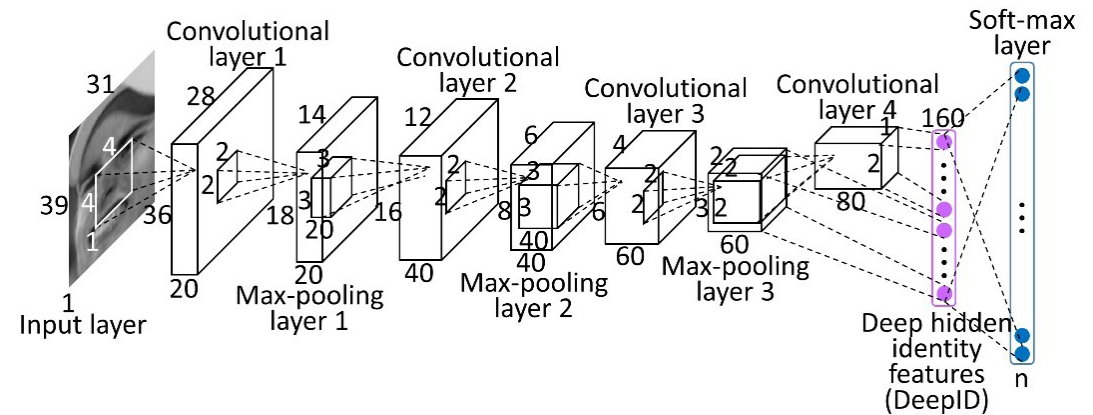
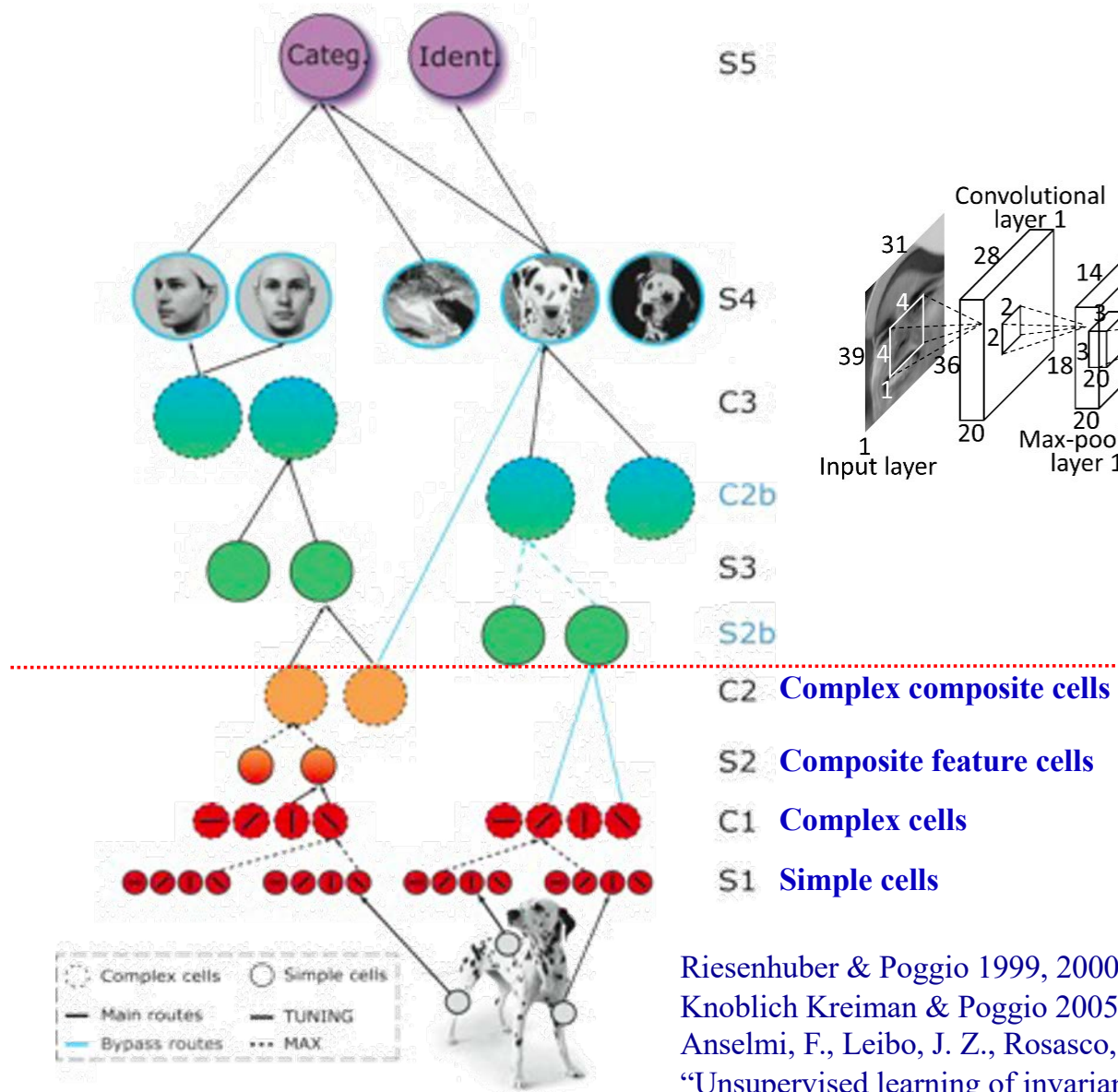


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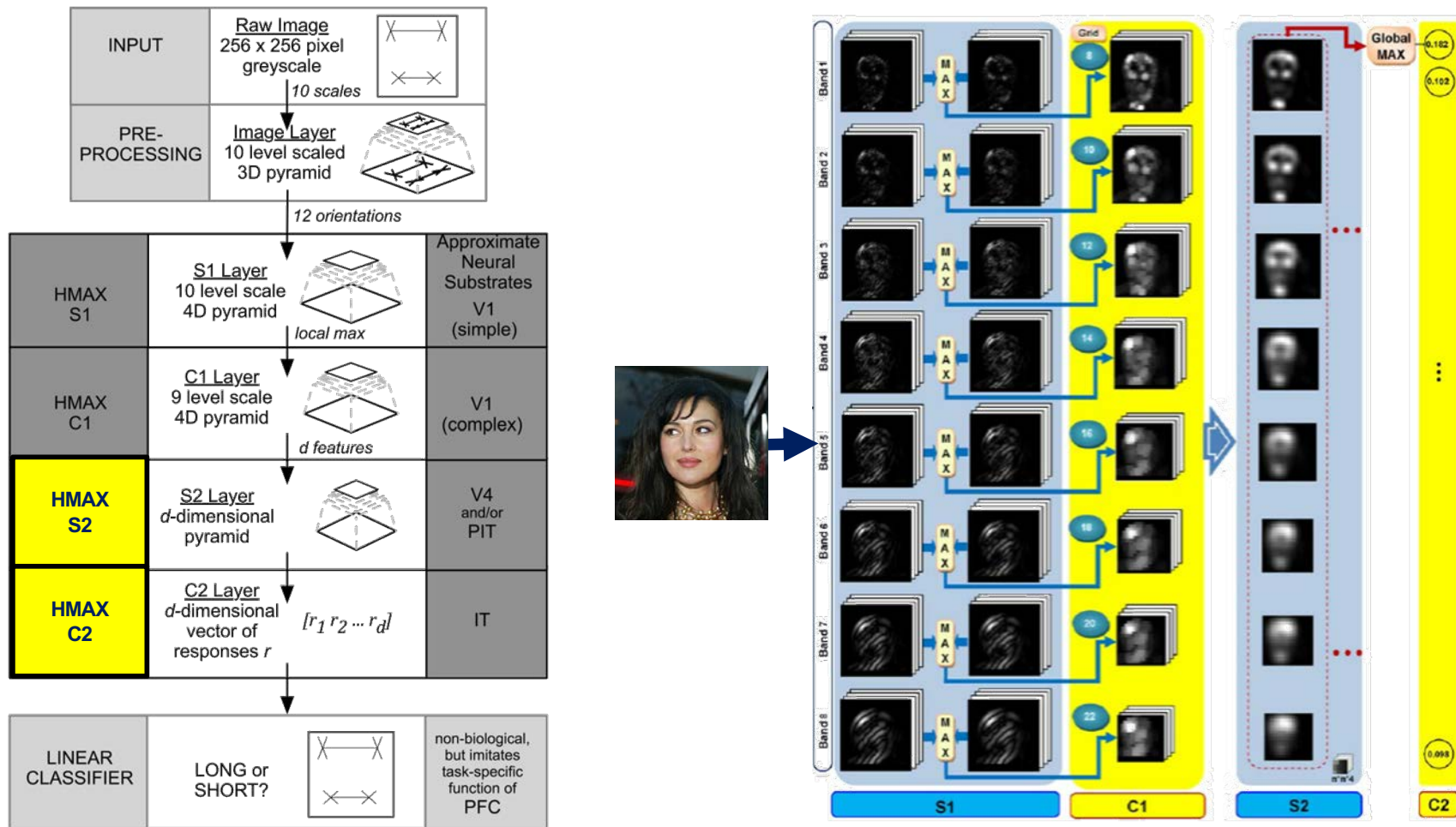
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Brain models



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The HMAX model



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(S1) In this layer an input image is analyzed with a pyramid of filters (16 filter sizes \times 4 orientations = 64 images)

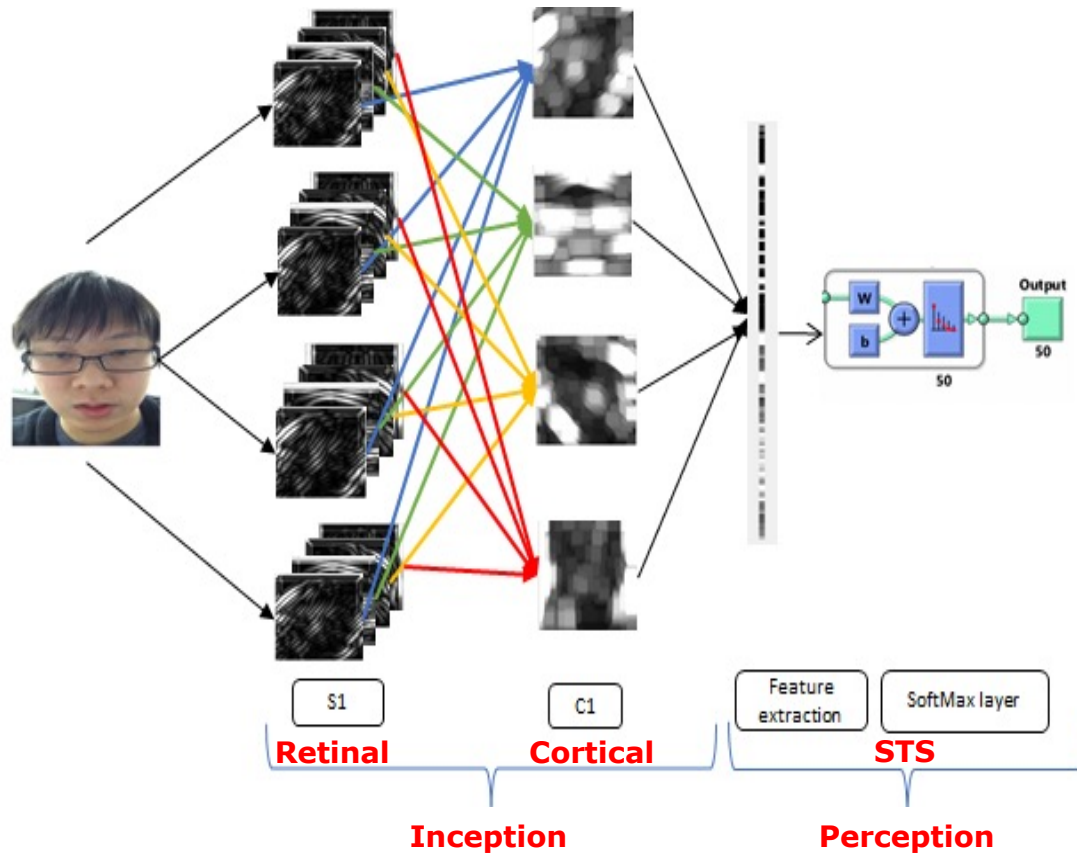
(C1) In this layer, the local maximum between 2 adjacent scales with the same orientation is taken.

(S2) The Euclidean distances between stored prototypes, which are obtained in the learning stage, and new input is computed.

This process occurs for all bands in C1 and as a result, S2 maps are obtained.

(C2) The global maximum is computed over all S2 responses in all positions and scales in this layer.

Face recognition with HMAX



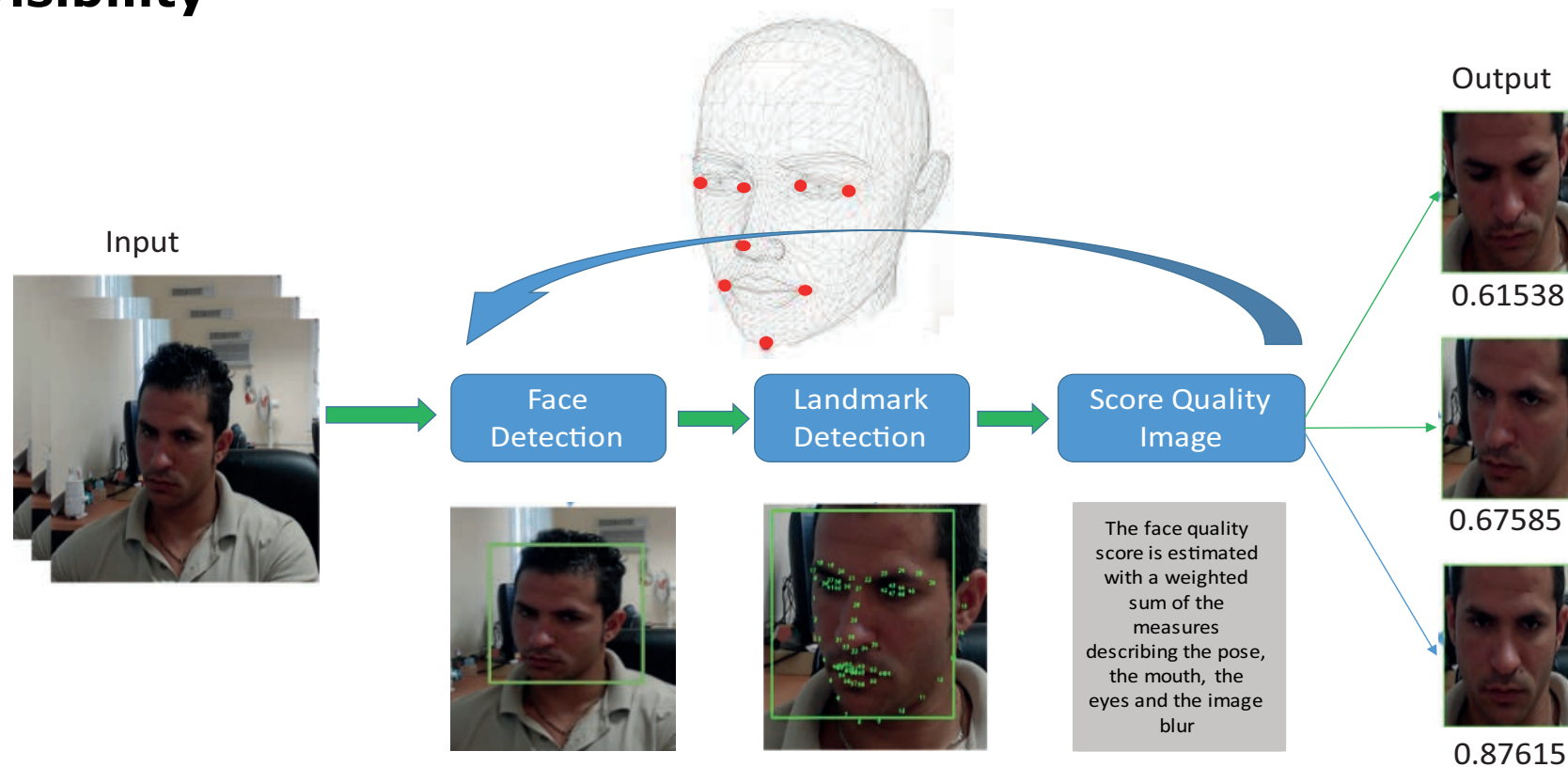
The **Gabor** and **max pooling** layers encode the face images based on a biologically-inspired chain running from the **retinal** stage to the **V1 cortex**.

The connections between the **V1 cortex** and the **Superior Temporal Sulcus**, the face-selective area, is simulated by a network whose neurons are activated by a **SoftMax** function.

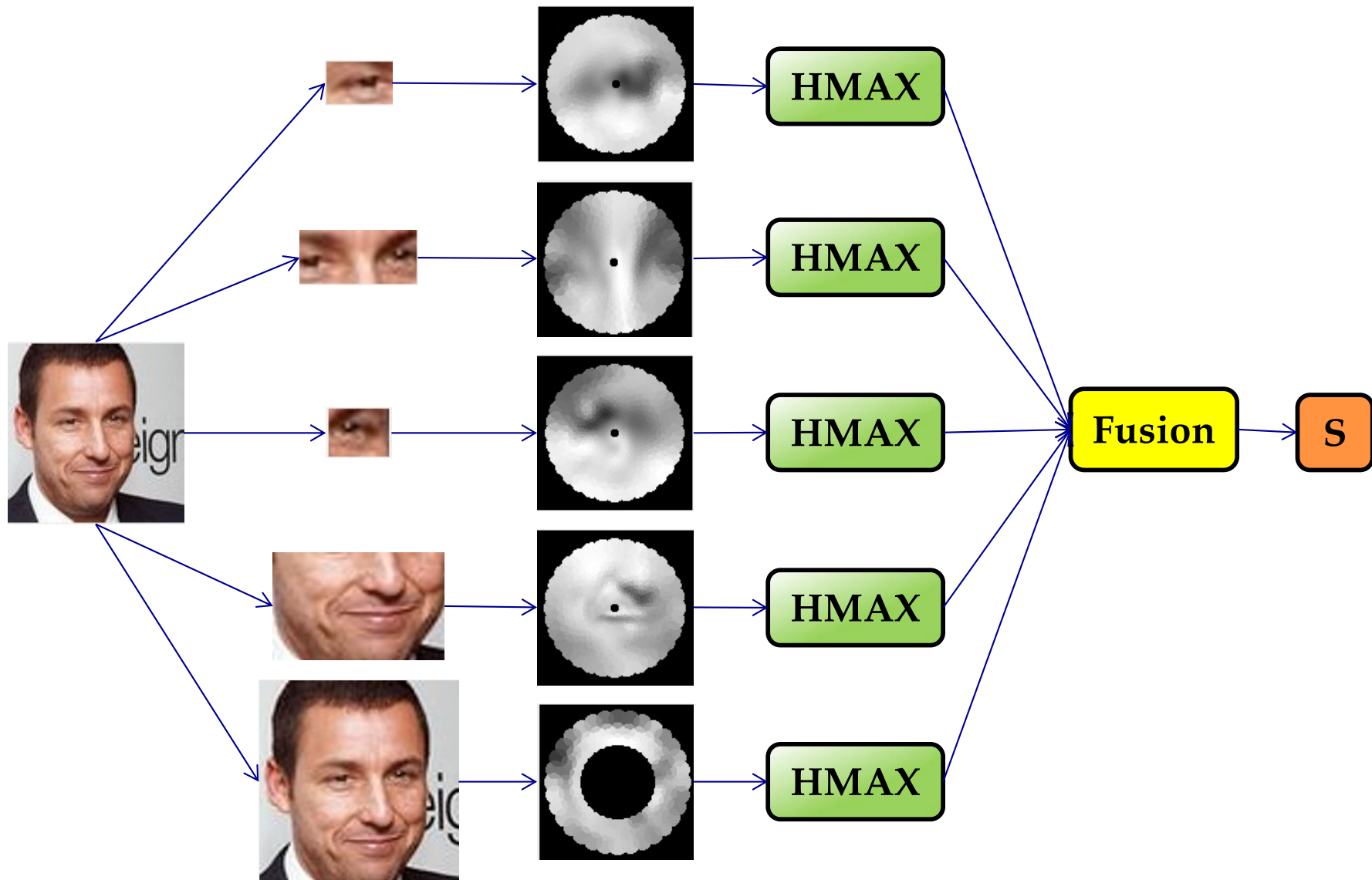
Visual attention



- **Meaningful facial regions** are extracted according to the position of facial landmarks
- Images are clustered in different categories, according to the approximate **head rotation** along the vertical axis.
- Regions are associated to each pose category according to their **visibility**



Foveated HMAX





Feature extraction and fusion

- The **S1** and **C1** layers in the HMAX are used.
 - ❖ The **S1** layer performs a band-pass filtering with a bank of Gabor kernels.
 - ❖ At the local invariance layer (**C1**), a local maximum is computed for each orientation.
- The final feature vector is built by down-sampling the output by 8, obtaining a 256-dimensional feature vector.
- The feature vectors, extracted from different facial regions, are concatenated into a single feature vector of fixed size, **according to the head rotation**. For example, the feature vector for head right rotation is:

$$F = [F_{le}; F_m; F_c; F_a]$$

F_{le} ; F_m ; F_c and F_a are the feature vectors obtained from the face regions extracted from the left eye, mouth, chin and forehead.

Classification



- ▣ During the learning phase, a neural network, with a **SoftMax** activation, is trained from a subset of the available sample data (disjoint from the test data).
- ▣ The loss function for the **SoftMax** layer is based on the computation of the **crossentropy**:

$$H(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \sum_i L_i(p_i); \quad L_i = -\log\left(\frac{e^{f_i}}{\sum_j e^{f_j}}\right)$$

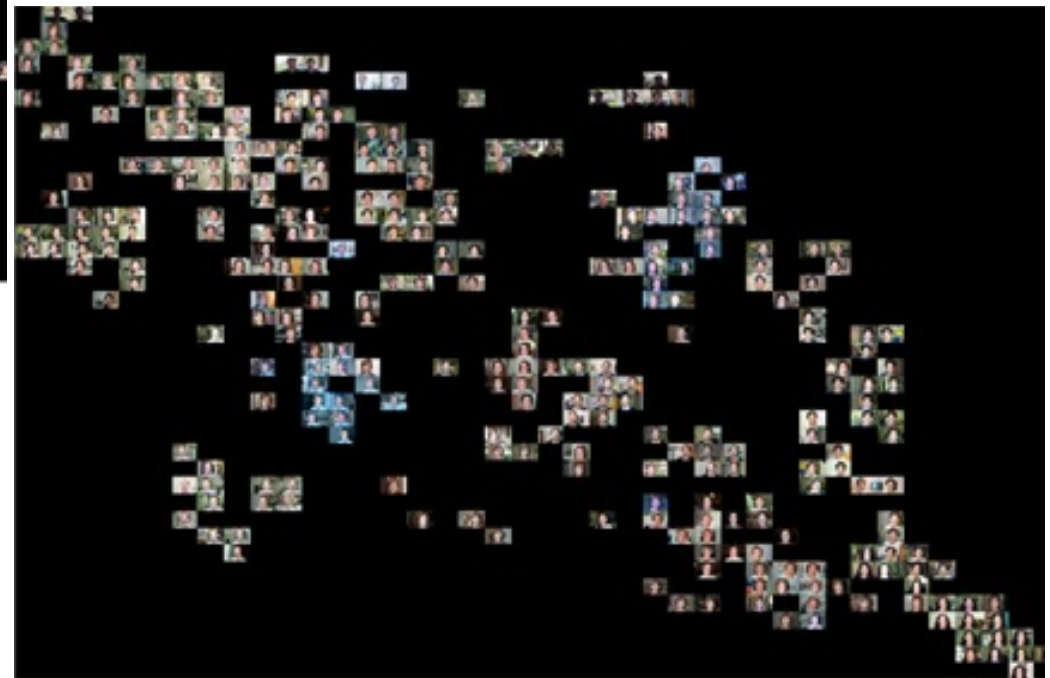
Where f_j is the j -th element of the feature vector representing subject \mathbf{f} , while L_i is the full loss over the training examples.

- ▣ The concatenated feature vectors are fed to the classification network. **The scores obtained from each image group are fused** by applying a mean rule.

Foveated face recognition

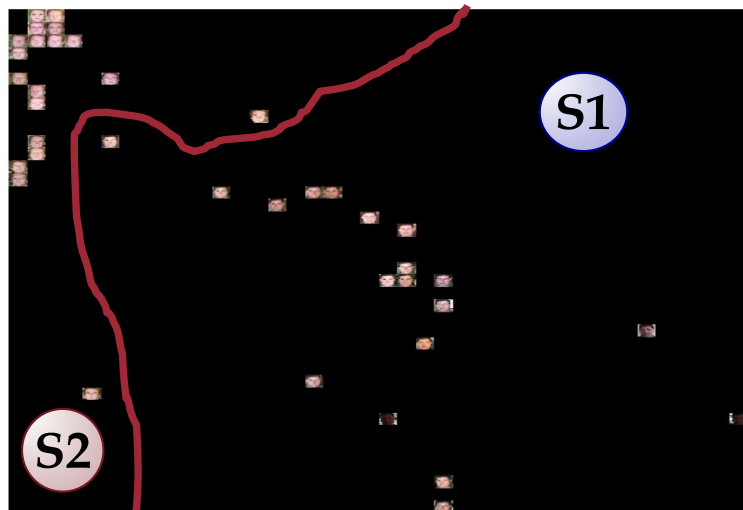


HMAX Space representation on uniformly sampled face images

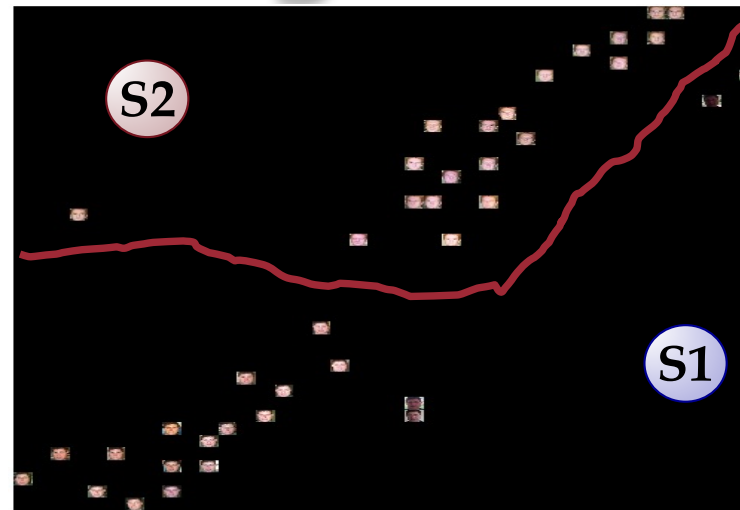


HMAX Space representation on log-polar sampled face images

Foveated face recognition



Uniform resolution



Log-polar mapping

Training	Testing	FF	SRC	MSSRC	VGG	Outer face	Ocular regions	Fusion
<i>Lab¹light</i>	<i>Dim²light</i>	54.48	52.79	47.21	62.27	53.15	33.33	54.95
<i>Lab¹light</i>	<i>Sun³light</i>	45.27	51.18	46.15	49.09	94.31	91.87	95.12
<i>Dim²light</i>	<i>Lab¹light</i>	25.52	44.18	43.06	50.91	56.76	66.67	78.38
<i>Dim²light</i>	<i>Sun³light</i>	56.80	58.58	60.36	38.18	84.68	73.87	84.68
<i>Sun³light</i>	<i>Lab¹light</i>	24.77	17.64	17.64	47.27	48.78	73.17	73.98
<i>Sun³light</i>	<i>Dim²light</i>	56.01	51.95	45.85	33.64	48.65	31.53	50.45

Performances are compared with Fisher Faces (FF), Sparse Representation based Classification (SRC), Mean-Sequence SRC (MSSRC) and VGG deep CNN.

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Conclusion

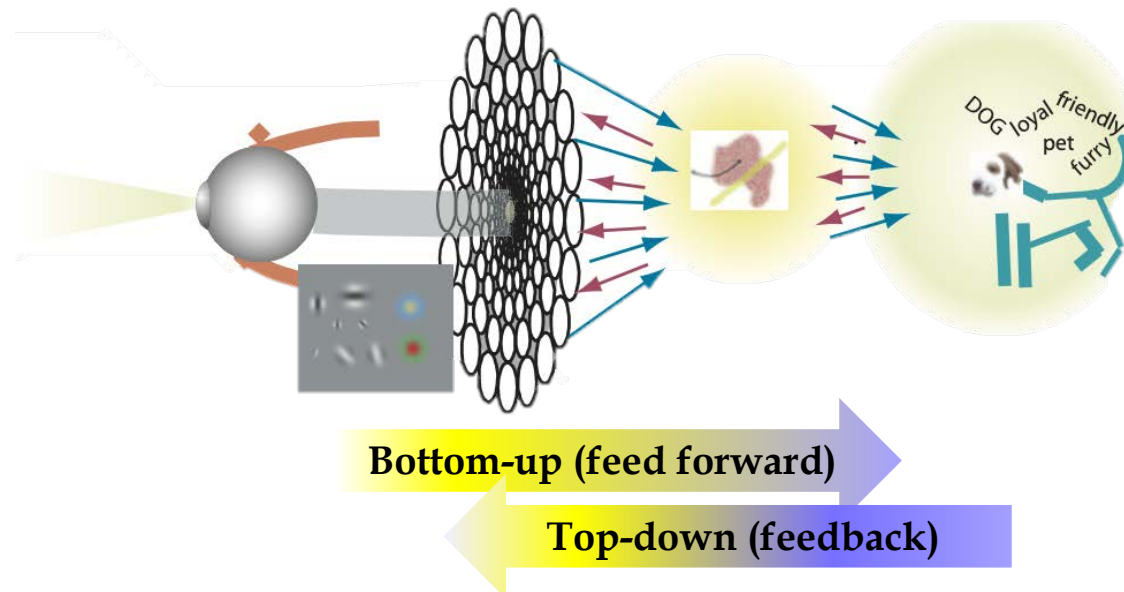


- **Deep neural architectures** provide today the current state of the art performance of face recognition *in the wild*.
 - ❖ The large number of layers requires a huge amount of data for training to reach a stable configuration of the neural connectivity.
 - ❖ They can be sensitive to unexpected changes in the spatial frequencies of the input patterns.
- **Simple biologically-inspired networks** may allow to perform very complex visual tasks.
- In biological systems **attention** drives **recognition**.
 - ❖ A space-variant **scale-space decomposition** of the input signal allows to select the most informative data.
- The **S1C1** neural architecture, derived from the **HMAX** model, with face quality, **outperforms the deep VGG model**.
 - ❖ The **peripheral area of the face** (face outline and hair dressing) proved to be very distinctive for recognition.

What about the future?



- **Learn more from biological neural architectures to build network models:** Beyond the retino-cortical topological mapping
- **Learn from human perceptual behaviors:** Improve attention mechanisms; make networks more *curious*
- **Change the learning paradigm:** Exploit interactions; incremental and continuous learning
- **Adversarial attacks and robustness:** Interpolation/ approximation mistakes? How do they compare to optical illusions?
- **Add feedback to the system:** Reinforcement learning?



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