# Improved Liveness Detection in Dorsal Hand Vein Videos using Photoplethysmography

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- Pattern of blood vessels under the skin has become an emerging biometric trait due to uniqueness
- Captured through near-infrared (NIR) illumination
- NIR light is absorbed by oxygen-saturated hemoglobin in blood
- Can be used for authentication (similar to fingerprint)

# Hand-Vein Biometrics II

## Advantages

- Hard to forge since intrinsic trait and only visible through NIR illumination
- No abrasion as with fingerprints
- Invariant to sweat, sunscreen, etc.
- Non-intrusive

## Disadvantages

- Special hardware needed (Relatively strong NIR illumination, NIR imaging sensor, ... )
- Vein structure may be influenced by certain diseases or injuries
- In general low contrast and quality

# The Presentation Attack Problem

Scenario: Access to previously captured hand vein data

- Presentation Attacks
  - Printed on paper [1]
  - Shown on smartphone display [2]
- Countermeasures
  - Still Images: Skin texture, image quality, 2D frequency space, CNNs
  - Additional sensors: capacitive sensing, 3D imaging
  - Differences in adjacent video frames

# Video Database I



Figure: Modes of operation: Transillumination (left) and Reflected Light.

# Video Database II



Figure: Example frames from NIR videos; top row: transillumination, bottom row: reflected light; left: real video frame, middle column: paper attack and right: smartphone attack, respectively. Captured with [3].

- 13 Persons à 2 Hands
- 2 Illumination Variants
- 5 Presentation Attack Scenarios
- Database in total: 312 Video Sequences → 13x2x2x(5+1)

# Methods I

Related approaches build upon a common basis:



Figure: Idea of Average Pixel Illumination.

- Exception: [4] used "Eulerian motion magnification" → [5] used the described spoofing database to show that this method can still be fooled
- In [6], the peaks and valleys of the time series were used as classification criteria
- [7, 8, 9] reported the observation that this processing step contains information about heart rate by transforming the time series to Fourier domain
- Bok et al. [10] constructed classifier out of Fourier domain, although for finger vein videos

## Methods III

Reference Method: Bok et al.



 $Feature \ Vector \in R^{50}$ 

## Figure: Feature Vector Construction Bok et al.

# Methods IV



#### Figure: Feature Vector Construction Method 1.

# Methods V

Observation from Wei et al. [11]



Figure: Blood pressure measurement in Fourier space have harmonics that can be modelled through exponential decay. Figure taken from [11].

## Methods VI

## Introduced Method 2

Like before: Fourier transform for every window



Figure: Feature Vector Construction Method 2.

## Evaluation metrics according to ISO/IEC 30107-3:2017

- Attack Presentation Classification Error Rate (APCER): proportion of attack presentations incorrectly classified as bona fide presentations in a specific scenario
- Bona Fide Presentation Classification Error Rate (BPCER): proportion of bona fide presentations incorrectly classified as presentation attacks in a specific scenario

# **Experimental Results II**

## RBF Kernel C=10, $\gamma = 0.001$

Spoof Method		Bok et al.		Method 1		Method 2	
		APCER	BPCER	APCER	BPCER	APCER	BPCER
Transill.	Paper	10.31	30.77	11.54	15.38	11.54	3.85
	Paper Mov.	4.35	37.50	26.92	11.54	11.54	0.00
	SP	0.00	89.42	3.85	7.69	0.00	0.00
	SP Mov.	77.36	89.42	0.00	19.23	19.23	0.00
	SP Zoom	59.43	17.31	3.85	19.23	11.54	0.00
Refl. Light	Paper	0.00	80.37	53.85	61.54	7.69	23.08
	Paper Mov.	49.06	5.61	23.08	3.85	42.31	7.69
	SP	63.55	6.54	7.69	3.85	3.85	3.85
	SP Mov.	23.08	6.54	3.85	0.00	0.00	3.85
	SP Zoom	15.24	7.48	3.85	0.00	0.00	3.85

Table: The table shows the SVM results with a RBF kernel, BoxConstraint of 10 and a  $\gamma$  value of 0.001 as proposed in [10]. Best results are highlighted **bold**.

## Linear SVM Kernel

Spoof Method		Bok et al.		Method 1		Method 2	
		APCER	BPCER	APCER	BPCER	APCER	BPCER
Refl. Light Transill.	Paper	11.34	18.27	7.69	26.92	11.54	0.00
	Paper Mov.	7.61	16.35	26.92	19.23	11.54	7.69
	SP	13.21	54.81	7.69	26.92	0.00	0.00
	SP Mov.	17.92	57.69	11.54	11.54	3.85	0.00
	SP Zoom	27.36	40.38	7.69	11.54	0.00	0.00
	Paper	12.84	71.03	61.54	53.85	0.00	3.85
	Paper Mov.	25.47	1.87	15.38	3.85	3.85	7.69
	SP	46.73	6.54	7.69	19.23	3.85	3.85
	SP Mov.	28.85	6.54	3.85	3.85	0.00	3.85
	SP Zoom	18.10	5.61	3.85	0.00	3.85	3.85

Table: The table contains results with a simple linear kernel. Best results are highlighted **bold**.

## Contribution

- Evaluated an existing Presentation Attack Detection Method for finger vein biometrics on a custom dorsal hand vein data set.
- Proposed two additional methods for PAD, employing spectral analysis of the average pixel illumination per frame.
  - Superior with respect to the reference method
  - High time consumption

## **Future Work**

- Reduce computational cost of proposed algorithms
- Acquire more data samples

# Thank You! Q & A

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