

# Morph Passports and Border Control

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# Principles

## Principle of redundancy

- One individual - multiple credit cards



# Principles

## Principle of equality - in our society

- One individual - **multiple** votes



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## Principle of equality - in our society

- One individual - **one** passport

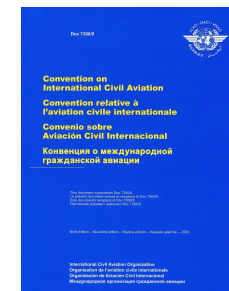


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# Passports

# Standardised Travel Documents



## ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organisation

- A specialised UN agency (Headquarter Montreal)
- 191 member states
- ICAO's **mandate** for standards development
  - ▶ The Convention on International Civil Aviation - Doc 7300 signed in December 1944 (“Chicago Convention”)
  - ▶ ICAO works to achieve its vision of **safe, secure and sustainable** development of **civil aviation** through the cooperation of its Member States
- Technical Advisory Group on **Machine Readable Travel Documents** (TAG/MRTD)
- Cooperation with International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO/IEC JTC1)
  - ▶ SC17 and SC37

# Biometrics and ePassports

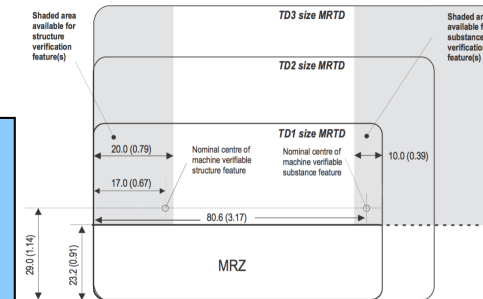
- ICAO - New Orleans Resolution - March 2003
  - ▶ *“ICAO TAG-MRTD/NTWG recognises that Member States currently and will continue to utilise the **facial image** as the **primary identifier** for MRTDs and as such endorses the use of standardised **digitally stored facial images** as the globally interoperable biometric to support facial recognition technologies for machine assisted identity verification with machine-readable travel documents.*

# ICAO International Specifications

## Doc 9303: relevant parts

Part 2: Specification for the Security of the Design

sizes of MRTD:  
TD1 (cards), TD2,  
TD3 (passports)



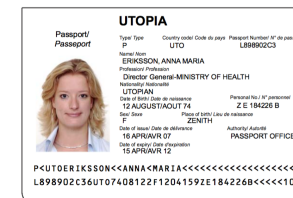
Part 3: Specifications Common to all MRTDs

physical characteristics,  
visual zone, MRZ,  
conventions, face image



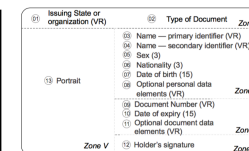
Part 4: TD3 size MRTDs  
electronic Passports (MRP)

MRP data page (design  
and data fields), primary  
identifier, check digits



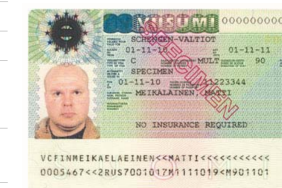
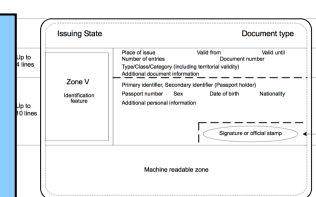
Part 5: TD1 size MRTDs  
electronic citizen cards

sequence of data  
elements, truncation  
rules



Part 7: Machine  
Readable Visas (MRV)

specification which allow  
both visual and machine  
readable means



Part 10: Logical Data  
Structure (LDS)

specification for both  
visual and mach. readable

Encoded Identification Feature(s)	Global Interchange Feature	DG2	Encoded Face
	Additional Feature(s)	DG3	Encoded Finger(s)
		DG4	Encoded Eye(s)

# ePassport Data Group Details

Data stored on the chip (LDS)

- DG1: Information printed on the data page
- DG2: Facial image of the holder (mandatory)
- DG3: Fingerprint image of left and right index finger
- DG4: Iris image



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- DG15: Active Authentication Public Key Info
- DG16: Persons to notify

Document Security Object

- Hash values of DGs

		DATA ELEMENTS			
REQUIRED	ISSUING STATE OR ORGANIZATION DATA	Detail(s) Recorded in MRZ	DG1	Document Type	
				Issuing State or organization	
				Name (of Holder)	
				Document Number	
				Check Digit - Doc Number	
				Nationality	
				Date of Birth	
				Check Digit - DOB	
				Sex	
				Data of Expiry or Valid Until Date	
				Check Digit DOE/VUD	
				Optional Data	
				Check Digit - Optional Data Field	
				Composite Check Digit	
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			Additional Feature(s)	DG3	Encoded Finger(s)
				DG4	Encoded Eye(s)
		Displayed Identification Feature(s)	DG5	Displayed Portrait	
			DG6	Reserved for Future Use	
			DG7	Displayed Signature or Usual Mark	
		Encoded Security Feature(s)	DG8	Data Feature(s)	
			DG9	Structure Feature(s)	
			DG10	Substance Feature(s)	
			DG11	Additional Personal Detail(s)	
			DG12	Additional Document Detail(s)	
			DG13	Optional Detail(s)	
			DG14	Security Options	
			DG15	Active Authentication Public Key Info	
			DG16	Person(s) to Notify	

Source: ICAO 9303 Part 10, 2015

# ePassport Details

## Data size to be stored in the RFID-Chip

- Alpha-numeric data: 5 Kbyte
- Facial image: ISO/IEC 19794-5:2005
  - ▶ 12 Kbyte (JPEG, JPEG2000)
- Fingerprint images: ISO/IEC 19794-4:2005
  - ▶ 2\* 10 Kbyte (JPEG, JPEG2000, WSQ)

## New in 2020

- Facial image: ISO/IEC 39794-5:2019  
<https://www.iso.org/standard/72155.html>
- Fingerprint images: ISO/IEC 39794-4:2019  
<https://www.iso.org/standard/72156.html>
  - ▶ ICAO will adopt its 9303 specification by April 2020 and refer to ISO/IEC 39794 and its Parts 1, 4 and 5 by December 2020.
  - ▶ Passport reader equipment must be able to handle ISO/IEC 39794 data by 2025-01-01 (5 years preparation period).
  - ▶ Between 2025 and 2030, passport issuers can use the old version or the new version of standards (5 years transition period).

# Principles Revisited

# Is the Principle valid on the left Side?

Principle of equality - in our society

- One individual - **one** passport



Principle of unique link of ICAO

- **One** individual - one passport
- ICAO 9303 part 2, 2006:  
*„**Additional security measures:** inclusion of a machine verifiable biometric feature **linking** the document to its **legitimate holder**“*



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# Is the Principle valid on the left Side?

## Principle of unique link of ICAO

- **One** individual - one passport
- ICAO 9303 part 2, 2006:  
*„Additional security measures: inclusion of a machine verifiable biometric feature linking the document to its legitimate holder“*



We don't want this principle of unique link to be broken

- **Multiple** individuals - one passport



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# What is Morphing?

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In our real world morphing can become a **threat**

- with a criminal and an accomplice as actors
- take the **criminal**
- and the **accomplice**
- morphing can transform one face image into the other
- and you can stop half way in the transformation



# What is Morphing?

## Warping and blending

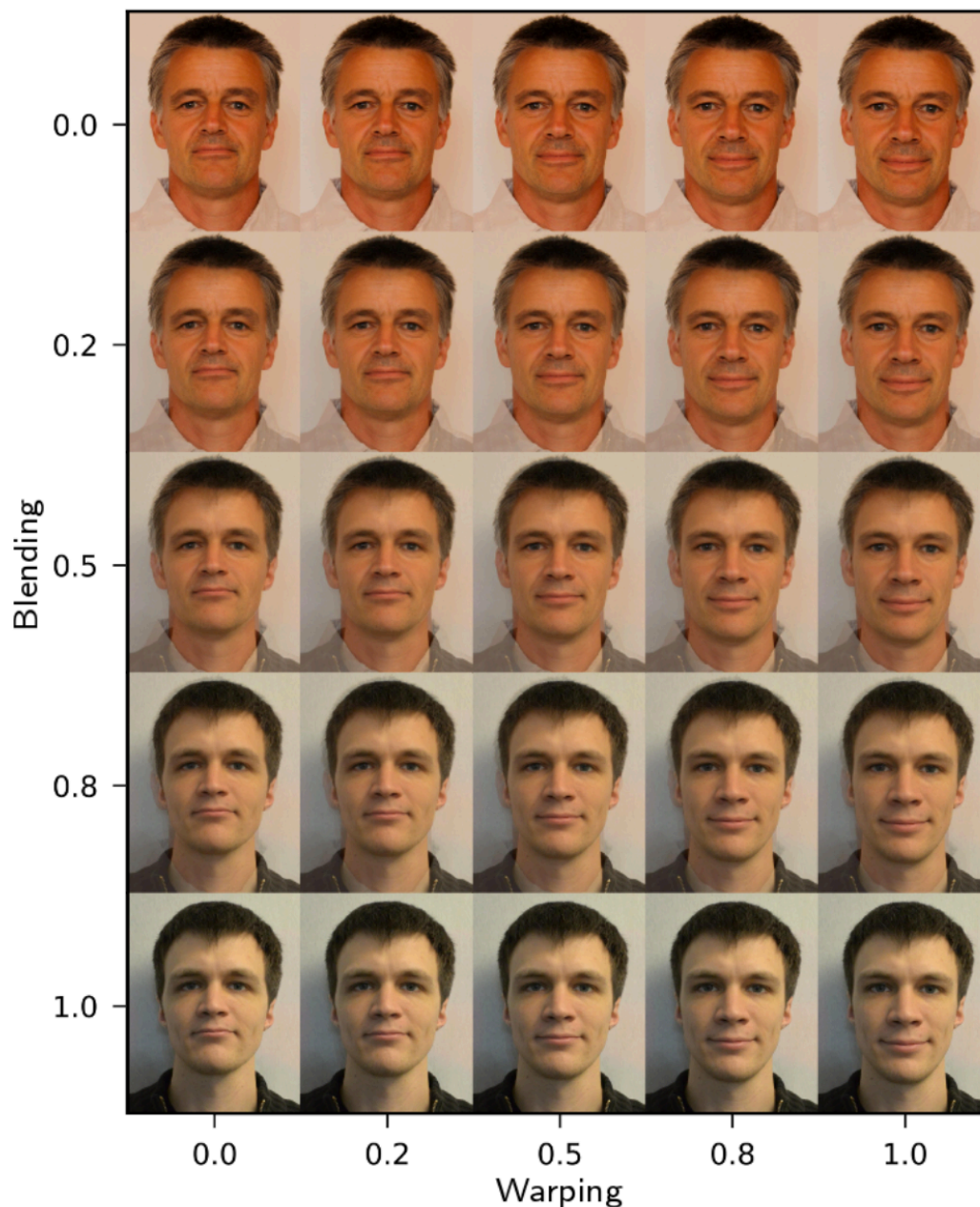
- controlled by the alpha factor

- Landmark positions

$$\vec{x}_m = (1 - \alpha_w) \cdot \vec{x}_1 + \alpha_w \cdot \vec{x}_2$$

- Colour

$$C_m = (1 - \alpha_b) \cdot C_1 + \alpha_b \cdot C_2$$



# Problem Description



# History - 2014

## Integrated Project FIDELITY



<http://www.fidelity-project.eu/>



- Fast and trustworthy Identity Delivery and check with ePassports leveraging Traveler privacy
- 4 years project (2012-2016)
  - ▶ European 7th Framework Programme
- Objectives:
  - ▶ To improve the **ePassport issuing process**
    - Security of birth certificates and other evidence of identity
    - Quality of biometric data in the chip
    - One individual one passport (duplicate enrolment check)
  - ▶ To demonstrate solutions that enable faster and more secure and efficient real-time authentication of individuals at border crossing
  - ▶ To protect privacy of the travel document holders with a privacy-by-design approach.

[FFM2014] M. Ferrara, A. Franco, D. Maltoni, “The Magic Passport”, in Proceedings IEEE IJCB 2014

# Problem: Morphing Attacks

## Morphing attack scenario

- Passport application of the accomplice A



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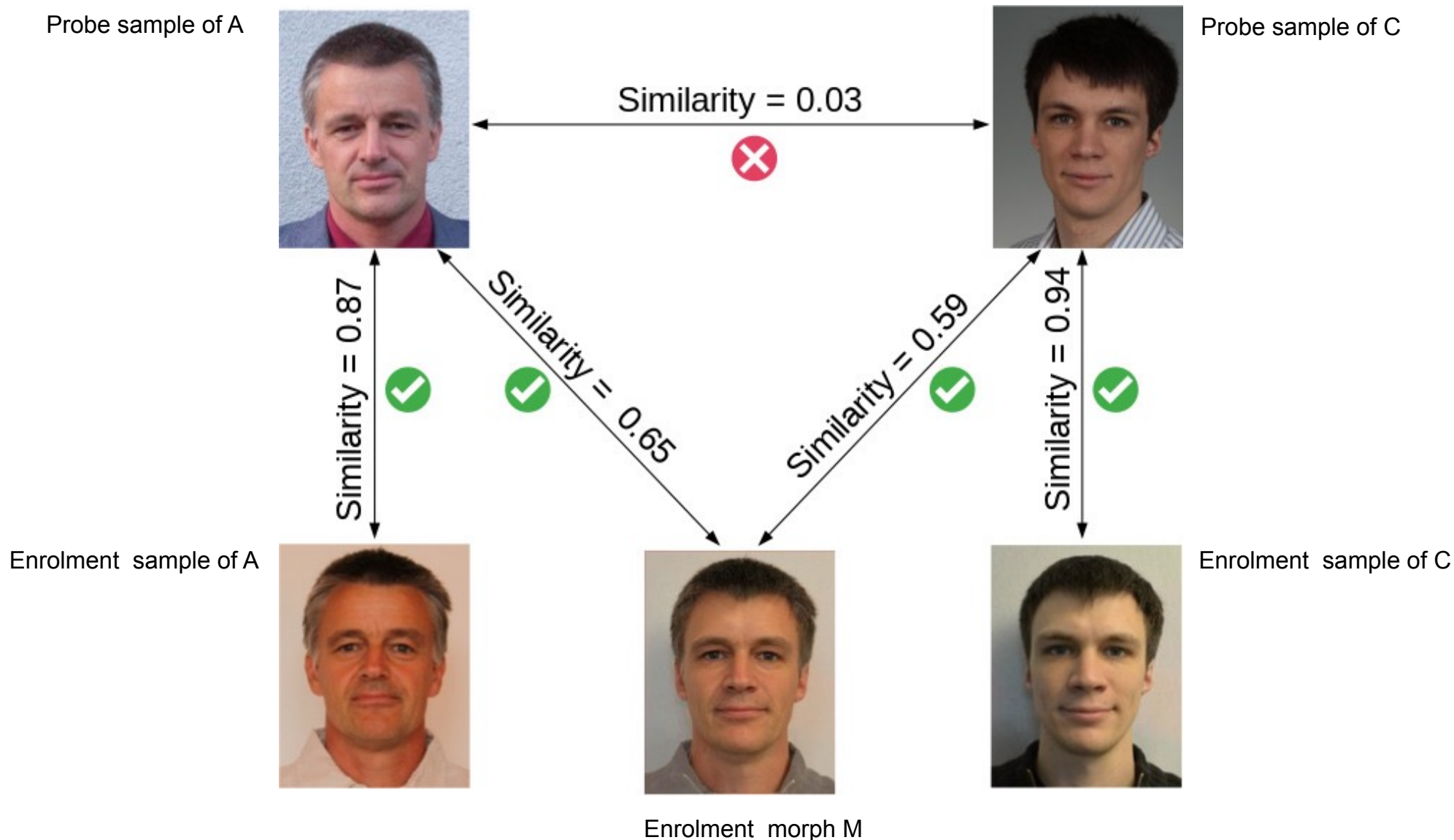
- Border control





# Problem: Morphing Attacks

## Verification against morphed facial images



# Problem: Morphing Attacks

Message in December 2015:

- „*Brussels - we have a problem!*“

Proposed solutions to the Morphing Attack Problem:

- 1.) Photo studio should **digitally sign** the picture taken by Photo Studio and send it to the passport application office
  - ▶ this is in progress for Finland
- 2.) Switch to **live enrolment**
  - ▶ that is the case for Norway and Sweden
- 3.) Software-supported **detection** of morphed face images

Regarding 2.) EU Regulation 2019/1157:

- on strengthening the security of identity cards in recital 32 states:  
*"... To this end, Member States **could consider** collecting biometric identifiers, particularly the facial image, by means of **live enrolment** by the national authorities issuing identity cards."*

What is the vulnerability?

# Scale of the Problem: Vulnerability

## Human Experts Capabilities - (44 border guards)



[FFM2016] M. Ferrara, A. Franco, D. Maltoni: “On the Effects of Image Alterations on Face Recognition Accuracy”, in Face Recognition Across the Imaging Spectrum, Springer Nature, (2016)

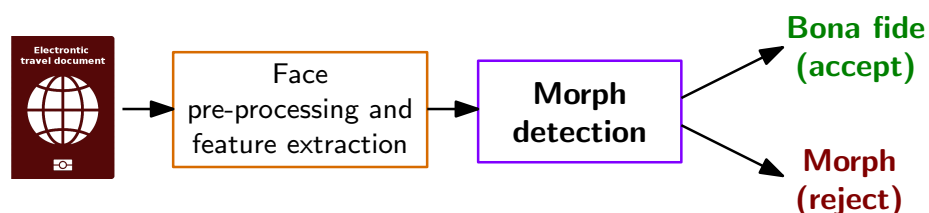
# Morphing Attack Detection (MAD)

## Scenarios and Methods

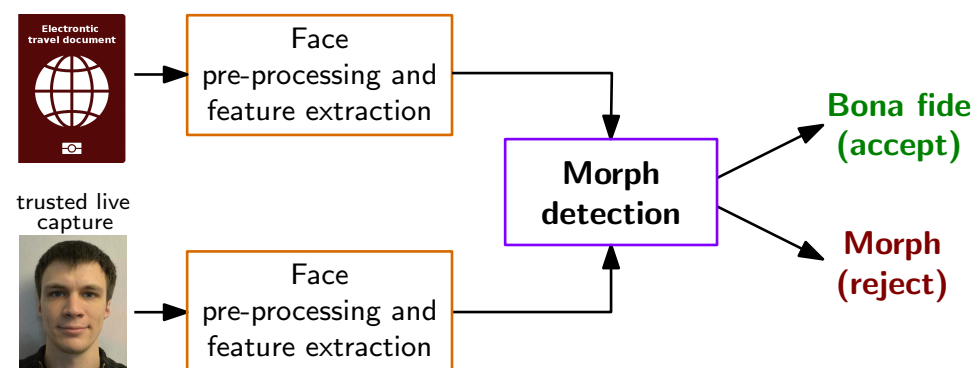
# Morphing Attack Detection Scenarios

## Real world scenarios

- Single image morphing attack detection (S-MAD)
  - ▶ One **single** facial **image** is analysed (e.g. in the passport application office)



- **Differential** morphing attack detection (D-MAD)
  - ▶ A **pair** of images is analysed - and one is a trusted Bona Fide image
  - ▶ Biometric verification (e.g. at the border)

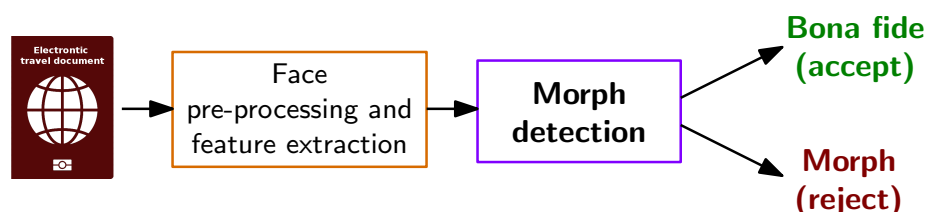


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# Face Pre-processing and Feature Extraction

## Morphing Attack Detection (S-MAD) with texture analysis

- Image descriptors as **hand-crafted** features

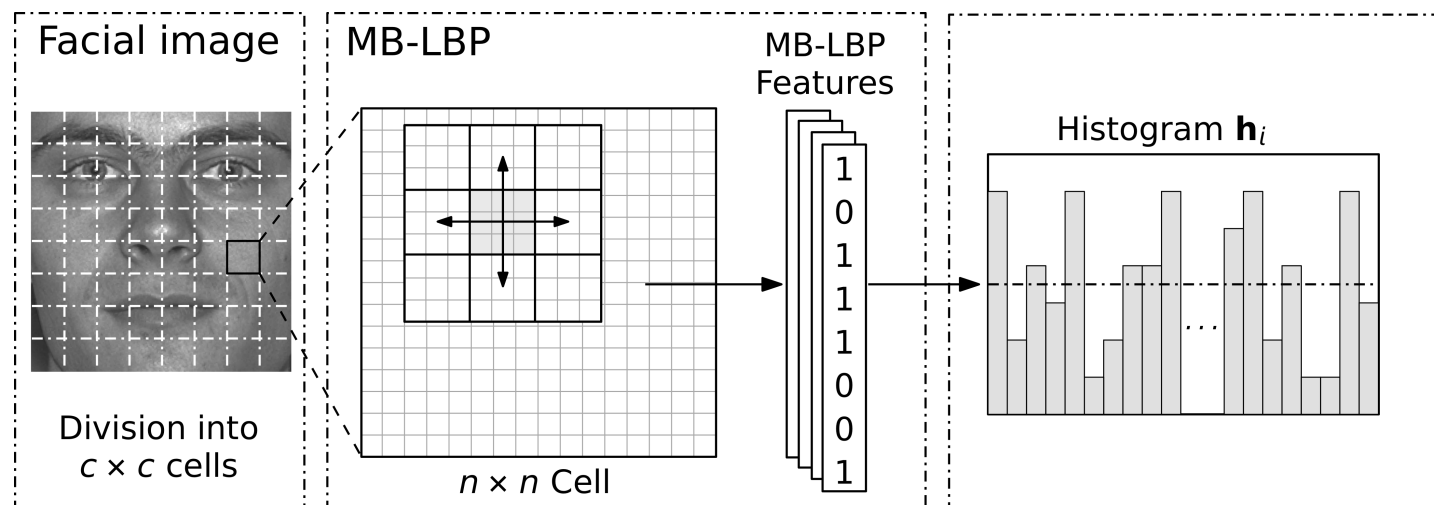


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# Face Pre-processing and Feature Extraction

## S-MAD with image descriptor

- Local Binary Pattern (LBP)

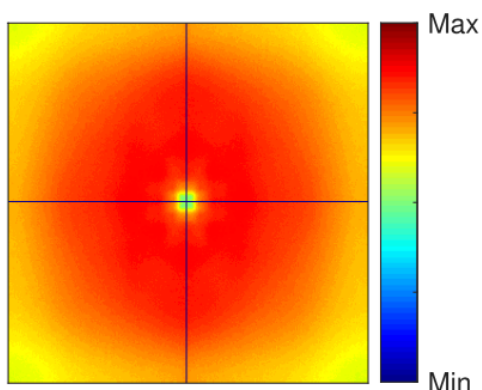
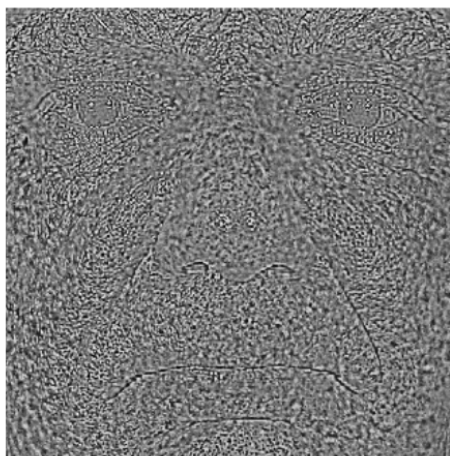
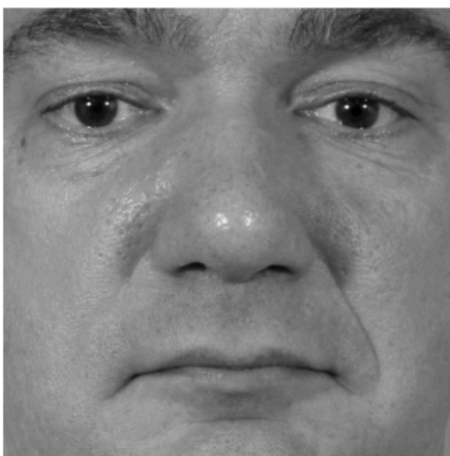




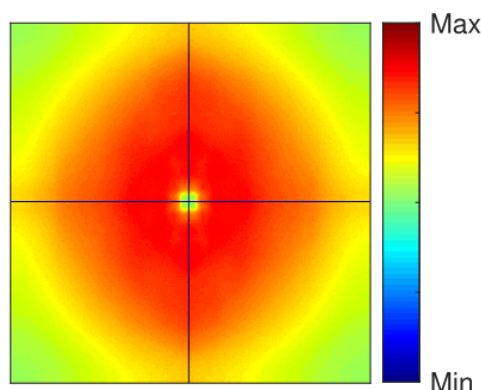
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S-MAD with image descriptor / forensic approach

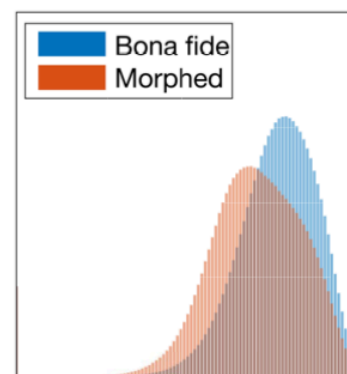
- Photo Response Non-Uniformity (PRNU)



Bona Fide



Morph



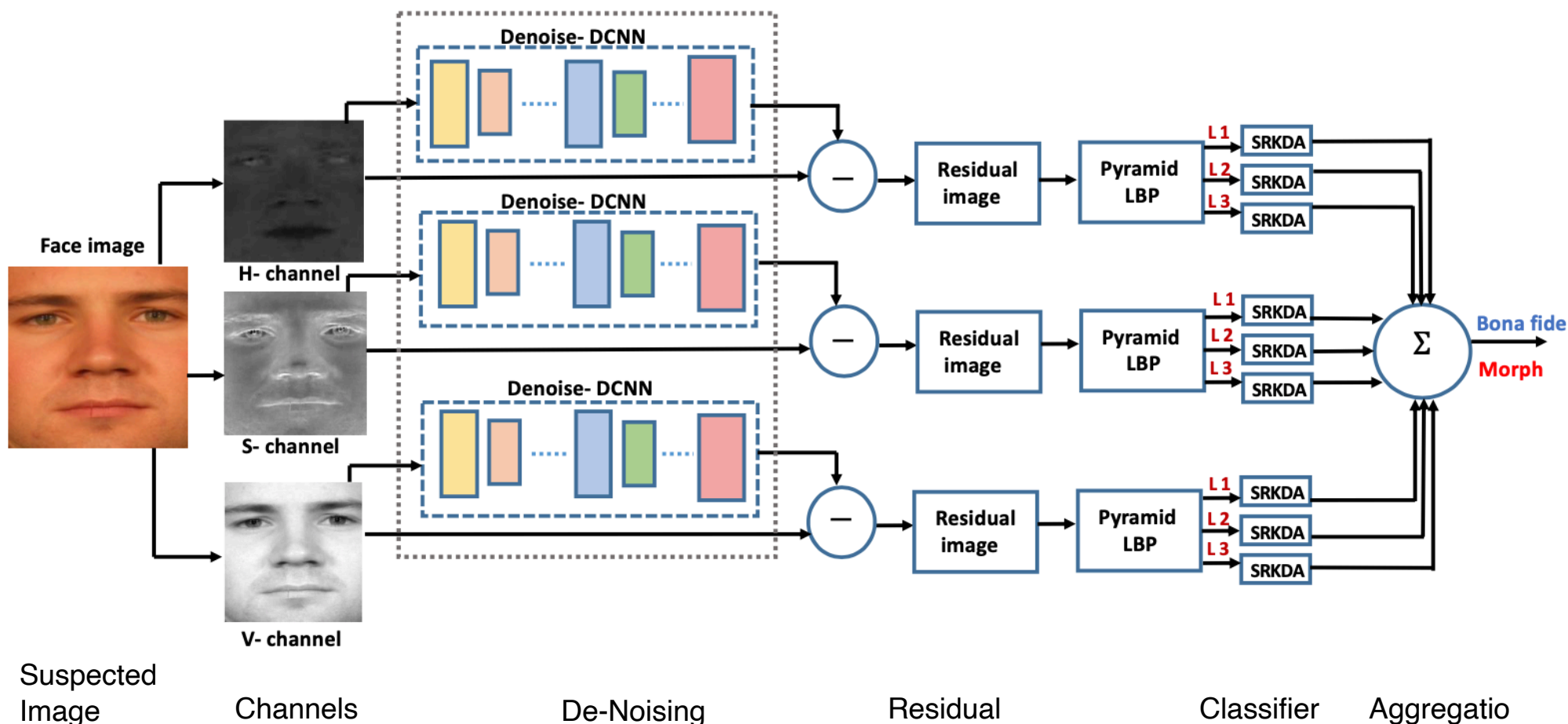
Histograms

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# Face Pre-processing and Feature Extraction

## S-MAD with forensic approach

- De-Noising

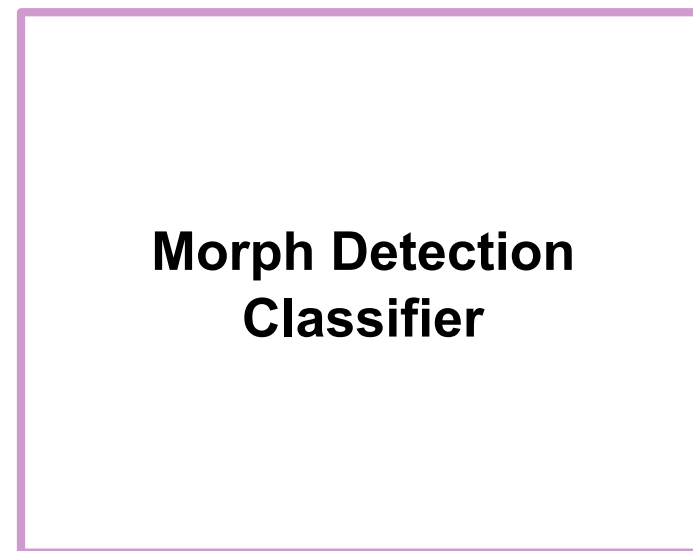
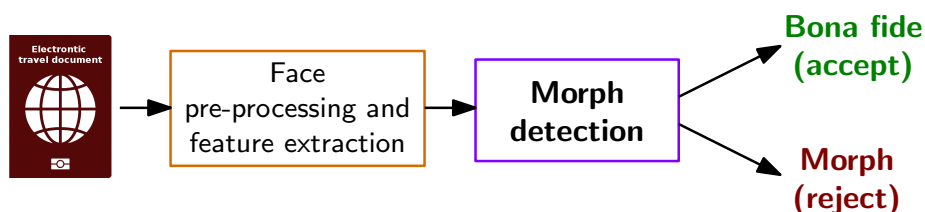


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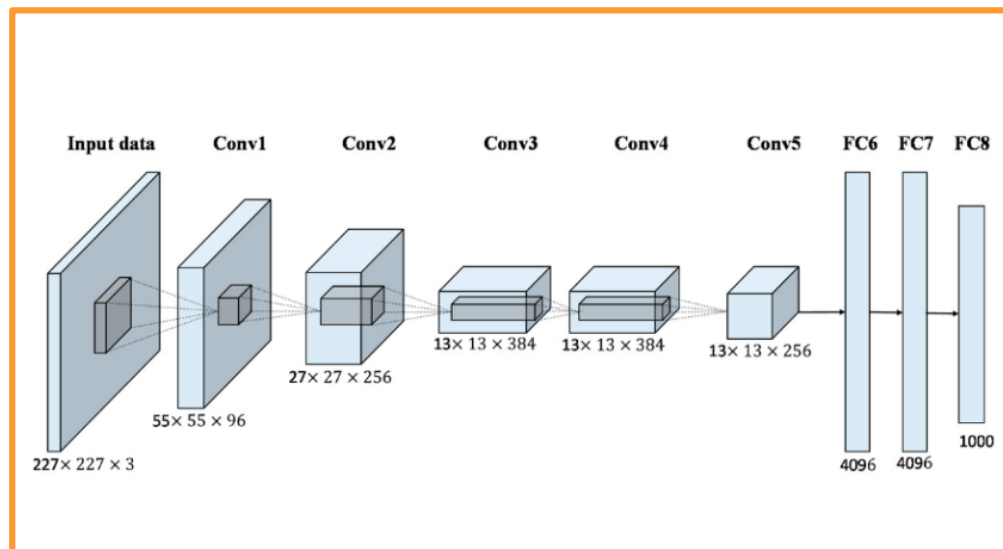
- Image descriptors as **Deep features**



# Face Pre-processing and Feature Extraction

## S-MAD with deep learning

- **Deep Features**
  - pre-trained Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

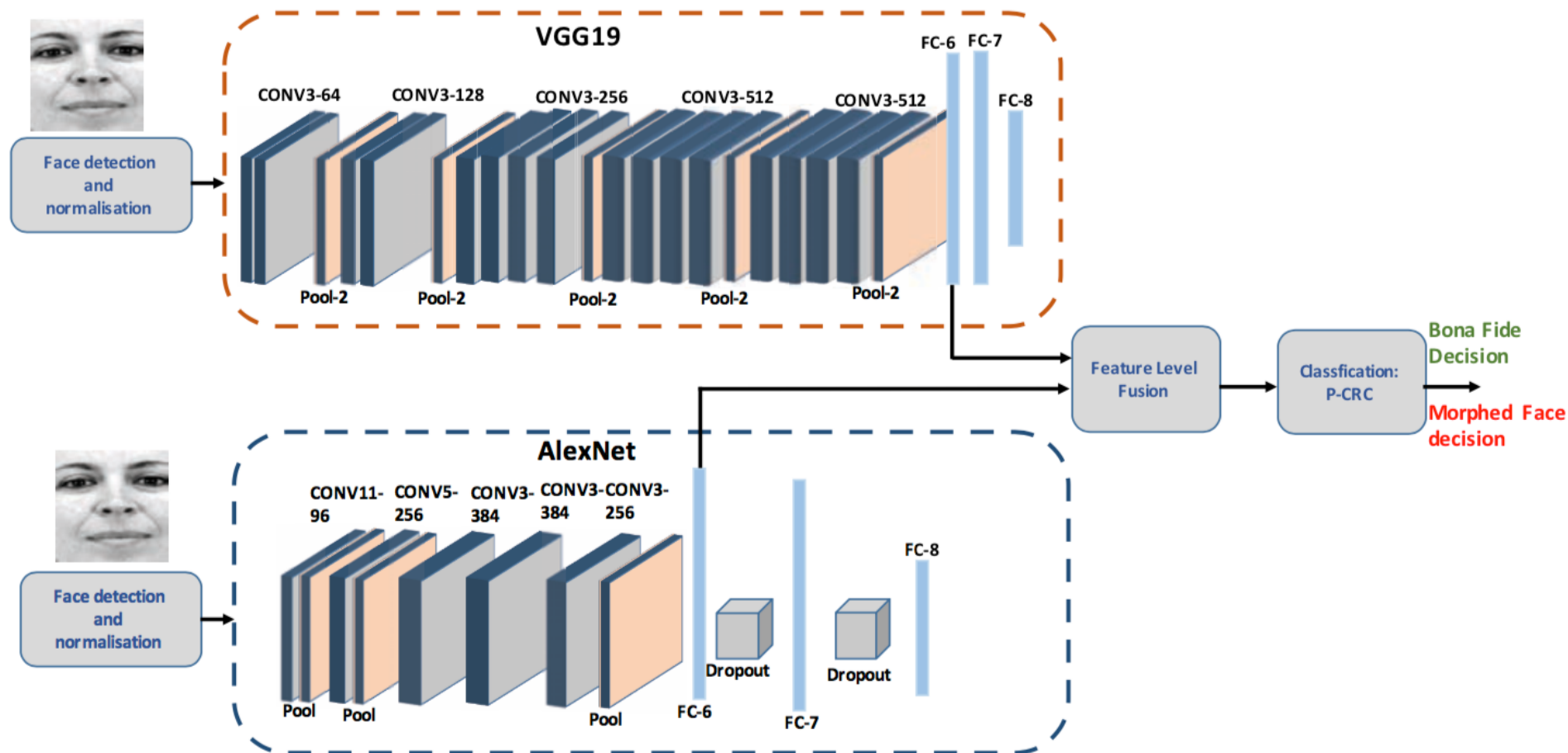


**Morph Detection  
Classifier**

# Single Image Morphing Attack Detection

## S-MAD with deep learning

- **Feature level fusion** of Deep CNNs



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# MAD Evaluation Methodology

# Standardized Testing Metrics

Definition according to ISO/IEC 30107-3

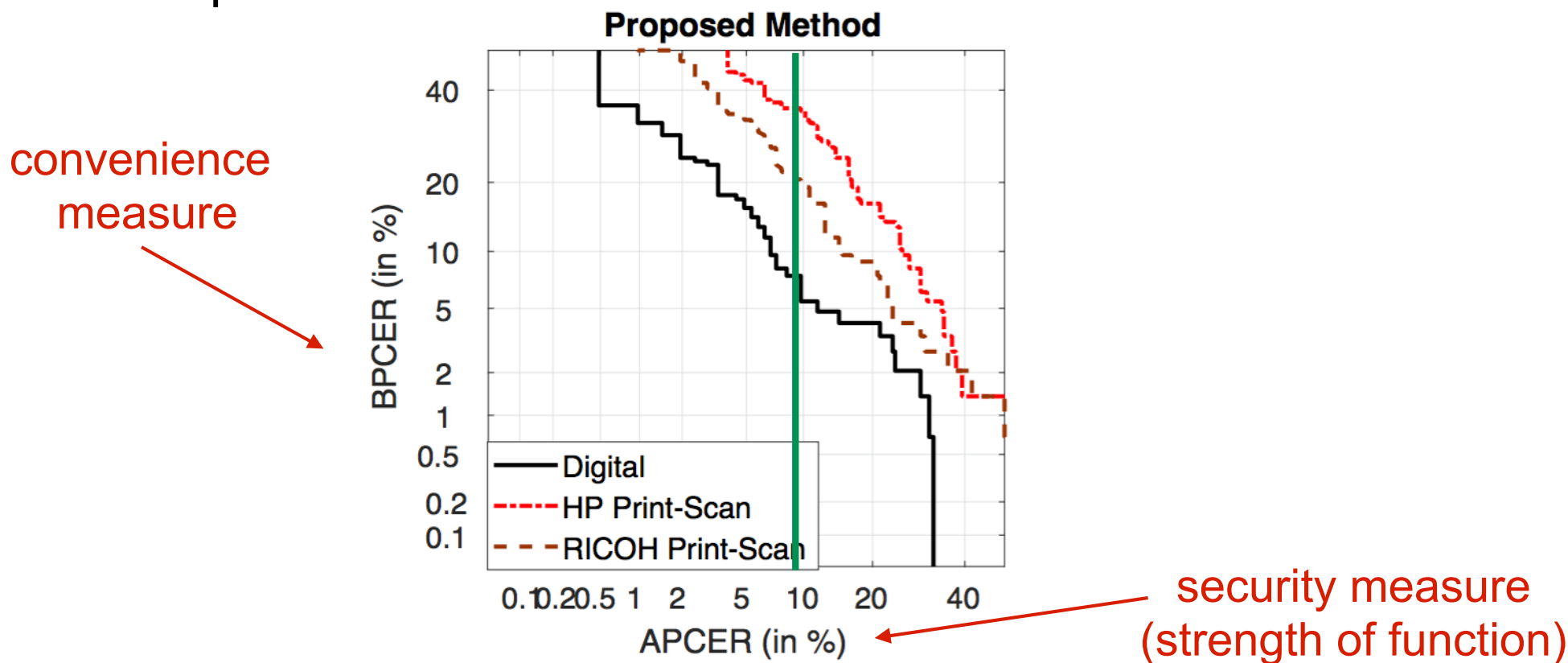
- Testing the false-negative and false-positive errors:
- **Attack presentation classification error rate (APCER)**  
*proportion of **attack presentations** using the same PAI species incorrectly **classified as bona fide presentations** in a specific scenario*
- **Bona fide presentation classification error rate (BPCER)**  
*proportion of bona fide presentations incorrectly classified as attack presentations in a specific scenario*

source: [ISO/IEC 30107-3] SO/IEC 30107-3, "Biometric presentation attack detection - Part 3: Testing and reporting", (2016)  
[http://www.iso.org/iso/home/store/catalogue\\_tc/catalogue\\_detail.htm?csnumber=67381](http://www.iso.org/iso/home/store/catalogue_tc/catalogue_detail.htm?csnumber=67381)

# Standardized Testing Metrics

## Definition of metrics in ISO/IEC 30107-3

- DET curve analyzing operating points for various thresholds and plot **security** measures versus **convenience** measures
- Example:



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# MAD Evaluation Methodology

Face Morphing Attack **evaluations** are complex

- Evaluations must consider a dedicated **methodology** [SNR17]
- Evaluations must consider **many parameters**

*result = f (dataset-training, dataset-testing, morphing-attack,  
landmark-detector, feature-extractor, classifier,  
scenario (S-MAD vs. D-MAD),  
post-processing, printer, scanner)*

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# MAD Evaluation in SOTAMD

EU funded project: February 2019 – January 2020



- Partners:

- ▶ National Office for Identity Data, NL, Bundeskriminalamt (BKA), DE
- ▶ University of Bologna (UBO), IT, Hochschule Darmstadt (HDA), DE
- ▶ The University of Twente (UTW), NL, NTNU, NO


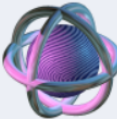
## Specific objectives:

- Capture face images from **150 subjects**
  - ▶ with photo equipment and
  - ▶ automated border control gates
- Generate **morphed** face images with **at least 3 algorithms**
- Post-process automatically and manually
- Print and scan all morphed face images
- Adapt and integrate and **test** at least **3 MAD algorithms**
- Test the MAD algorithms on the Uni Bologna server  
<https://biolab.csr.unibo.it/FVConGoing>

# D-MAD Evaluation in SOTAMD

## Benchmarks

- A new benchmark area for **differential morphing detection**

	Differential Morph Attack Detection	Benchmarks	Led by
	<p>This benchmark area contains face morphing detection benchmarks. Morphing detection consists in analyzing an ISO compliant face image to determine whether it is the result of a morphing process (mixing faces of two subjects) or not. Algorithms submitted to these benchmarks are required to compare a bona fide (not morphed) image to a suspected image and produce a score representing the probability of the suspected image to be morphed. Read more...</p>	<p>DMAD-TEST DMAD-MORPHDB_D-1.0 DMAD-MORPHDB_P&amp;S-1.0 DMAD-BIOLAB-1.0</p>	 <p>Biometric System Lab University of Bologna</p>

- **Two benchmarks** to evaluate **different image types**:
  - ▶ **Digital** or **Printed/Scanned** images
- Possibility of analysing results according to specific factors:
  - ▶ **Manual** or **automatic** morphing
  - ▶ Morphing **approaches** and parameters (e.g., morphing factor)
  - ▶ Gender, ethnicity, age, etc.

# SOTAMD compliance with NIST-FRVT-MORPH

## NIST recently realized FRVT MORPH

- an ongoing independent testing of face morph detection technologies.

<https://www.nist.gov/programs-projects/frvt-morph>

## The SOTAMD consortium decided to define

- a testing protocol **perfectly compatible** with the NIST interface,
- in order to minimize the effort for developers and
- promote the **submission** of algorithms **to both** evaluation platforms.

## NIST only accepts Linux dynamically-linked library file;

- FVC-onGoing will accept both **Windows** and **Linux** executables

# NIST-FRVT-MORPH

## NIST 2nd draft report presented Jan 24, 2020

- for public review and comment

[https://pages.nist.gov/frvt/reports/morph/draft\\_frvt\\_morph\\_report\\_2020jan24.pdf](https://pages.nist.gov/frvt/reports/morph/draft_frvt_morph_report_2020jan24.pdf)

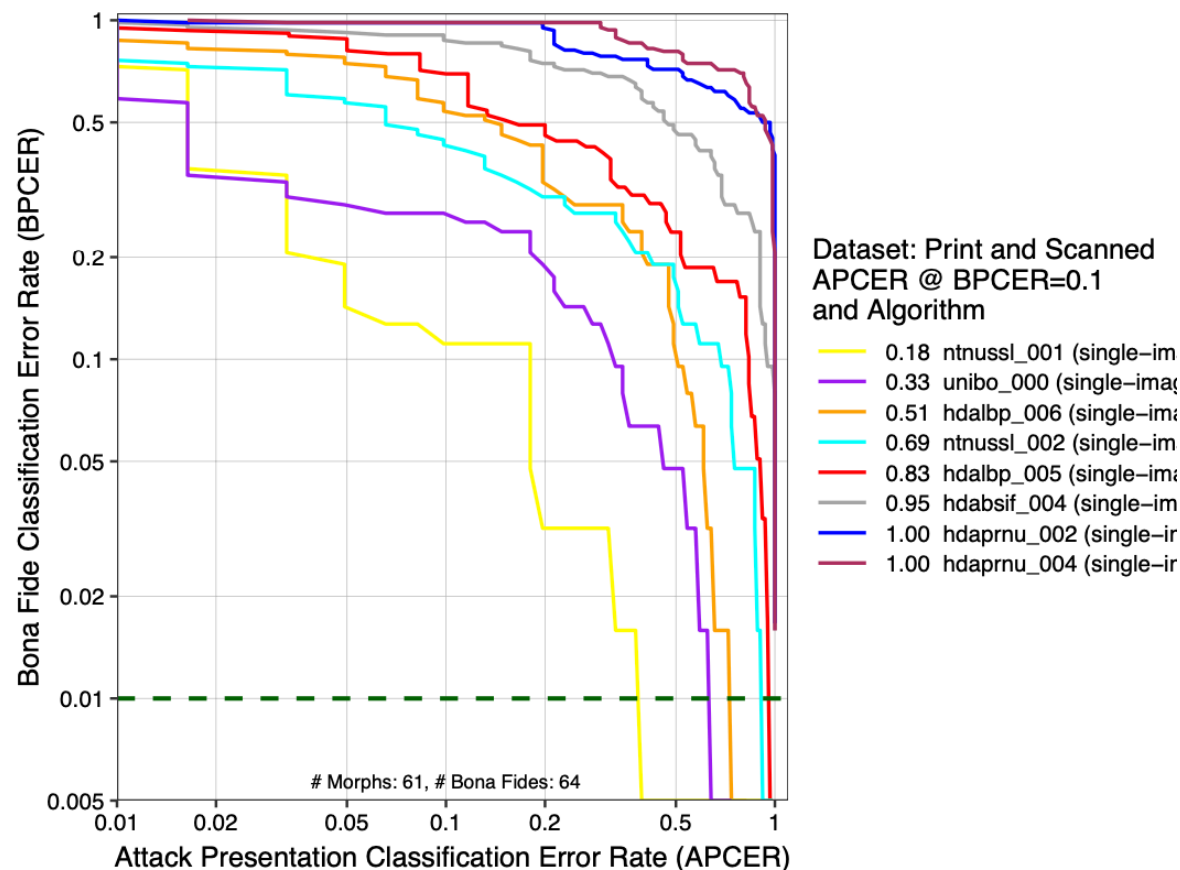
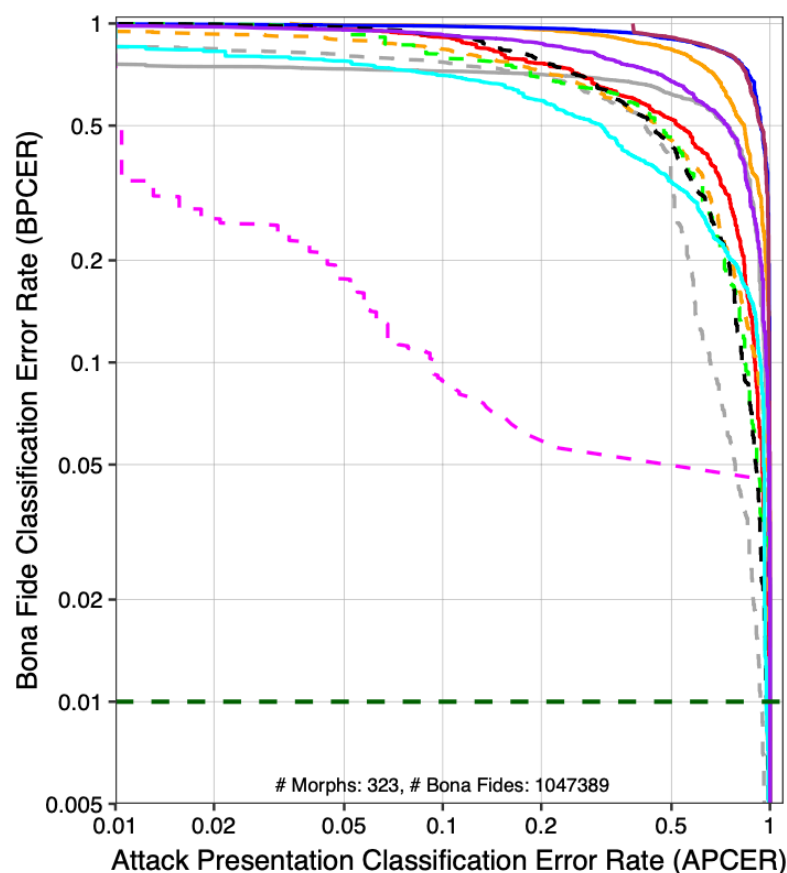
- results for MAD algorithms from three research labs:
  - ▶ Hochschule Darmstadt (HDA)
  - ▶ Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)
  - ▶ University of Bologna (UBO)



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- results for **high quality** morphs versus **print and scanned**
- note the **low number** of print and scanned images



What needs to be done?

# MAD Evaluations on Digital Images

First scientific publications on morphing attack detection

- Are based on a **small** dataset
- Addressing only **digital** application process  
(applicable for New Zealand, Estonia, Irland, Finland)

The upcoming evaluations

- NIST-FRVT-MORPH evaluation
- SOTAMD evaluation

will provide valuable insights



# Conclusion

We are facing a situation, where

- Passports with morphs are already in **circulation**
  - ▶ 1000+ reported cases
  - ▶ Switch to live enrolment is a good decision, but does not solve the problem
- Passports with morphed face images will have a major impact on border security (GlobalWarming, Information, Services)
- In combination with **passport brokers** a dramatic problem
  - ▶ the darknet offers numerous such opportunities:

The image displays three screenshots of websites that sell counterfeit documents, illustrating the problem of fake passports and licenses.

**USfakeIDs:** A website selling US Fake Drivers Licenses. It features a product listing table with columns for Product, Price, and Quantity.

Product	Price	Quantity
Delaware	200 USD = 0.079 \$	1 X Buy now
Illinois	200 USD = 0.079 \$	1 X Buy now
South Carolina	200 USD = 0.079 \$	1 X Buy now

**FAKE PASSPORT. ONION:** A website with a teal background, advertising "Your Real Solution to get a PASSPORT" and "Suitable Terms of Sale and Prices". It includes a navigation bar with "HOME" and "PASSPORTS" and a paragraph of text about passport issuance.

**FakeID:** A website with a collage background of various documents. It features a navigation bar with "Main", "News", "Services", "Samples", "faq", "Order", and "Contacts". The "Services" section is highlighted, and the "Passports:" section describes the quality of their passports and offers a cloning service. It also includes an "Attention!" section about document cloning and a "pricing..." button.

## Publications available <https://www.christoph-busch.de/projects-mad.html>

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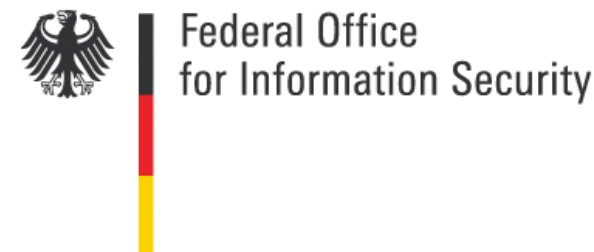
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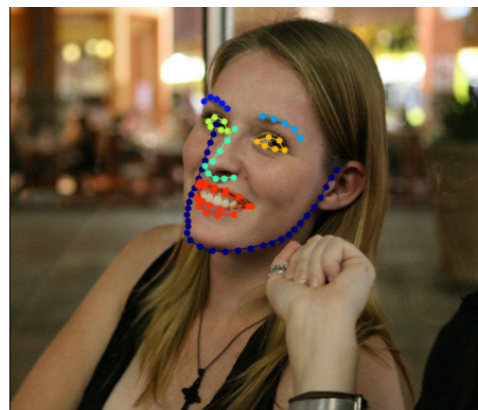
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- May 7, 2020
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## 19th International Conference of the Biometrics Special Interest Group (BIOSIG), Darmstadt, Germany

- 16.-18.09.2020
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