

# Design and Analysis of Detection and Rectification of Distorted Fingerprints

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we encouraged novel algorithms to determine and correct skin distortion centered on a single fingerprint image. Distortion detection is demonstrated as a two-class classification situation, for which the registered ridge orientation map and period map of a fingerprint are precious because the feature vector and a SVM classifier is knowledgeable to behave the classification mission. Distortion rectification (or equivalently distortion field estimation) is analyzed as a regression quandary, the place the input is a distorted fingerprint and the output is the distortion area. To simplify this difficulty, a database (referred to as reference database) of various distorted reference fingerprints and matching distortion fields is constructed within the offline stage, and then within the on-line stage, the closest neighbor of the input fingerprint is deliberate within the reference database and the an identical distortion area is used to change (Convert) the input fingerprint right into a normal fingerprints.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Over the last forty years there has been a rapid development in automatic fingerprint recognition technologies. Yet, there still exist challenging research problems in this field, for instance, recognizing low quality fingerprints. Fingerprint matcher is very sensitive to quality of image as seen in FVC2006 [3], where the matching accuracy of the same algorithm varies significantly for different databases due to dissimilarity in image quality. The difference between the result in accuracies of plain, rolled and latent fingerprint matching is even greater as seen in technology evaluations conducted by the NIST. Fingerprint recognition systems can be classified into two types- a positive system and a negative system. A positive recognition system is the one in which

the user is cooperative and wishes to be identified. For instance physical access control systems. In a negative recognition system the user (e.g. criminals) is not cooperative and avoids identification, for instance identifying persons in watch lists. In a positive recognition system, low quality will lead to false rejection of legitimate users and will lead to inconvenience. Whereas, in a negative recognition system, the consequences of low quality will be much more serious as malicious users may intentionally reduce their fingerprint quality to avoid detection. In fact, it has been observed in many cases that the criminals have attempted to avoid identification by surgically altering or burning their fingerprints. Hence it is of utmost importance to address the problem for negative fingerprint recognition system by detecting low quality fingerprints and improving their quality, to avoid false non-matches or false matches. Degradation in quality of fingerprint can be geometric or photometric. Photometric degradation is caused by non-ideal skin conditions, dirty sensor surface, complex image background etc. Whereas geometric degradation occurs due to skin distortion. Photometric degradation has been widely addressed along with evaluation and enhancement algorithms. But the issue of geometric degradation has yet not received sufficient attention and so we aim to attend to this problem. Detection of distorted fingerprint is viewed as a two-class classification problem. The registered ridge orientation map and period map are used as a feature vector, which is then classified by a SVM classifier into distorted and normal fingerprints. The distortion detection flowchart is shown in Fig. 1.

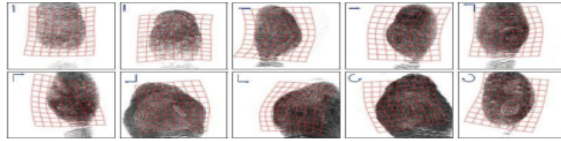


Fig 1- Examples of 10 distortion types in Tsinghua DF database

To extract a meaningful vector, we register the fingerprints in a fixed coordinate system. For this, we use a multireference based fingerprint registration approach. Reference fingerprints are prepared in the offline phase and registered in online phase. A reference fingerprint is registered based on the center of its finger and corresponding direction. For those fingerprints whose core points can be accurately detected by a Poincare index based method, the point which is the upper core point is used as the finger center. For each fingerprint and those fingerprints whose upper core points cannot be detected correctly, we will manually approximate and fix the center point. Finger direction is defined to be vertical to finger joint and will be manually marked for all fingerprints. Since the reference fingerprints were registered in the offline stage, manual working is acceptable. Fig.2 shows the finger center and direction for two reference fingerprints.

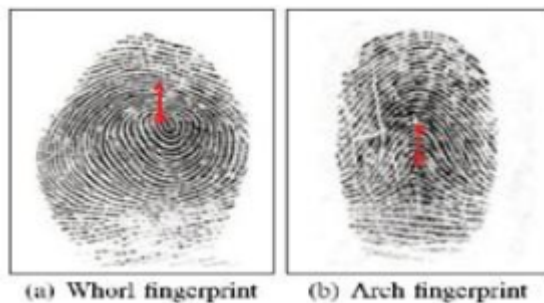


Fig 2- The centre (indicated by red circle) and direction (indicated by red arrows) of two fingerprints

### Online Fingerprint Registration

Input fingerprint is registered in the online stage by extracting the features like orientation map and period map. The online registration mainly depends on the upper core point of the input fingerprint. Therefore, there is a possibility of two cases such as when the upper core point is detected and another when the upper core

point is not detected. If we don't get the upper core point, then the whole fingerprint is taken into consideration so as to find the pose information. If we get the upper core point, then we align the upper core point to the center point of reference fingerprints. After detecting the upper core point, finally we register the two important features of fingerprint to the fixed coordinate system by using the obtained pose information.

## II. RELATED WORKS

Due to the importance of recognizing distorted fingerprints, researchers have proposed a number of methods and several fingerprint matching approaches. Few of them are as follows:

Xinjian Chen, Jie Tian suggested an algorithm based on Normalized Fuzzy Similarity Measure for Distorted Fingerprints Matching. This paper suggests a novel algorithm, normalized fuzzy similarity measure (NFSM), to handle the nonlinear distortions. The proposed algorithm consists of two main steps. In the first step, the template and input fingerprints were lined up. In this process, the local topological structure matching was presented to amend the robustness of global alignment. In the second step, the method NFSM was presented to compute the similarity between the template and input fingerprints.

In Luo's method, an uncertain bounding box was used during the matching process. The process is robust to nonlinear deformations between the fingerprint images. However, the distortion among the fingerprints from the same finger are captured from the Cross Match sensor is too large. In order to endure matching minutiae pairs that are further obscured because of distortions, the size of the bounding boxes has to be increased. However, as a side effect, it gives a very high probability for those non-matching minutiae pairs to get paired, which results in a higher false acceptance rate. The suggested algorithm was assessed on fingerprint databases of FVC2004.

**Disadvantage of this system:** the algorithm used leads to false acceptance which occasionally happens. It depicts a similar pair although it is of some different fingerprint.

Fernando Alonso-Fernandez and Javier Ortega-Garcia, proposed a relative study of Fingerprint Image-Quality Estimation Methods. In this work, existing approaches have been divided into three parts. First, those that use local features of the image. Second, those that use global features of the image. Third, those that address the problem of quality assessment as a classification problem. Local and global image features are extracted utilizing different sources: direction field, Gabor filter responses, power spectrum, and pixel intensity values. They have also tried a selection of fingerprint image-quality estimation algorithms. The consequence of low-quality samples in the verification performance is also studied for a widely available minutiae-based fingerprint matching system. Experimental results show high correlation between genuine scores and quality, whereas almost no correlation is encountered between impostor scores and the quality measures. As a final result, the highest betterment when rejecting low-quality samples is obtained for the purpose of false rejection rate at a given false acceptance rate. High correlation is found between quality measures in most cases. However, different correlation values are obtained depending on the sensor.

**Disadvantage of this system:** they suggest that quality measures work differently with each sensor. Due to their different physical principles, some quality measures could not be suitable for a certain kind of sensor.

Jianjiang Feng, Jie Zhou proposed work for Orientation Field Estimation for Latent Fingerprint Enhancement. In this case, identifying latent fingerprints is of critical importance for law enforcement agencies to arrest criminals and terrorists. The image quality of latent fingerprints is much lower, with complex image background, unclear ridge structure, and even overlapping patterns as compared to live-scan and inked fingerprints. A robust orientation field estimation algorithm is essential for enhancing and recognizing poor quality latent. However, conventional orientation field approximation algorithms, which can process most live-scan and inked fingerprints, do not provide satisfactory results for most latent. We believe that a major limitation of conventional algorithms is that they do not utilize anterior knowledge of the ridge

structure in fingerprints. Invigorated by spelling correction techniques in natural language processing, we suggest a novel fingerprint orientation field estimation algorithm based on anterior knowledge of fingerprint structure.

### III. THE PROPOSED APPROACH

The Proposed scheme was estimated at two levels of plane: finger level and subject level. At the finger level, we analyze the performance of distinguishing between natural and changed fingerprints. At the subject level, we guess the performance of discrimination between subjects with natural fingerprints and those with altered fingerprints.

The proposed algorithm is based on the uniqueness stake out from the orientation field and details to perform or satisfy the three required necessities for modification detection algorithm: 1) speedy operational time, 2) Huge true positive rate at small false positive rate, and 3) Ease of integration into AFIS.

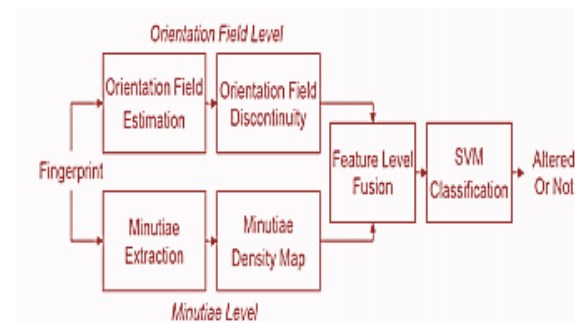


Fig 3. Flow of System

#### A. Detection of Altered Fingerprints

**Normalization:** An input fingerprint image which is supplied is normalized by cutting a rectangular region of the input image fingerprint, which is situated at the center of the fingerprint and associated along with the longitudinal direction of the fingerprints, using the NIST Biometric Image Software (NBIS). This step assures that the features take out in the following steps are invariant with respect to conversion and rotation of finger.

**Orientation Field Estimation:** The orientation field of the fingerprint is analyzed using the gradient-based

method. The starting orientation field is smoothed moderating filter, pursued by modest the orientations in pixel blocks. A foreground mask is produced by measuring the dynamic range of gray values of the fingerprint image in local blocks and morphological method for filling holes and eliminating isolated blocks is achieved.

**Orientation Field Approximation:** The orientation field is near by a polynomial model to obtain.

**Feature Extraction:** The error map is calculated as the absolute difference between and used to build the feature vector.

**Analysis of Minutiae Distribution:** In this method, a minutia in the fingerprint involves the ridge personality such as ridge ending or ridge junction. Almost all the fingerprint detection systems use minutiae for matching. The irregularity observed in orientation field also celebrated that minutiae distribution of altered fingerprints frequently change from that of natural fingerprints. On the beginning of minutiae take out from a fingerprint by the open source minutiae extractor in NBIS, a minutiae thickness map is collected by using the Parzen window method including uniform kernel function.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

In this distorted fingerprint detection and rectification paper we described a novel distorted fingerprint detection and rectification algorithm. For distortion detection, the brink orientation map and period map of a fingerprint are desirable as the feature vector and a SVM classifier is skilled to categorise the enter fingerprint as distorted or average. (no longer distorted). For distortion rectification an in depth neighbor regression process is used to terminate the distortion area from the deliver enter distorted fingerprint and then the reverse of the distortion discipline is used to translate the distorted fingerprint into a common one (un-distorted). The experimental outcome on FVC2004 DB1, Tsinghua DF database, and NIST SD27 database suggests that the scheduled algorithm can broaden the recognition rate of distorted fingerprints radically.

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