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Ongoing Challenges in Face Recognition

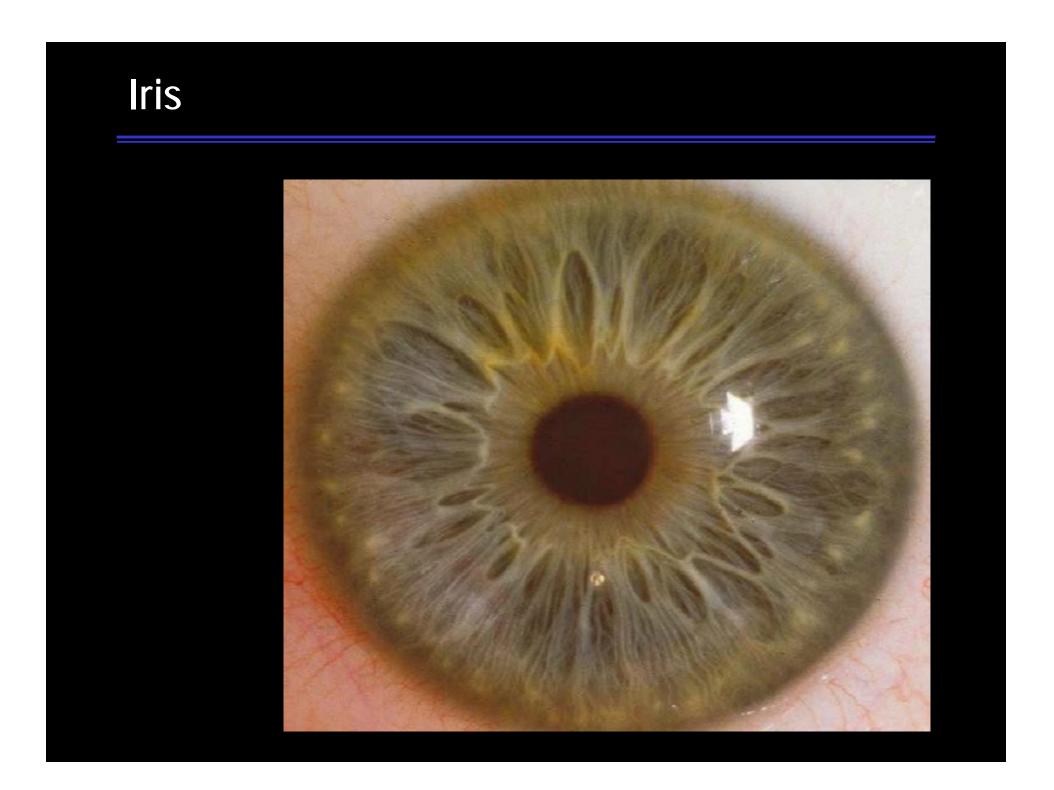
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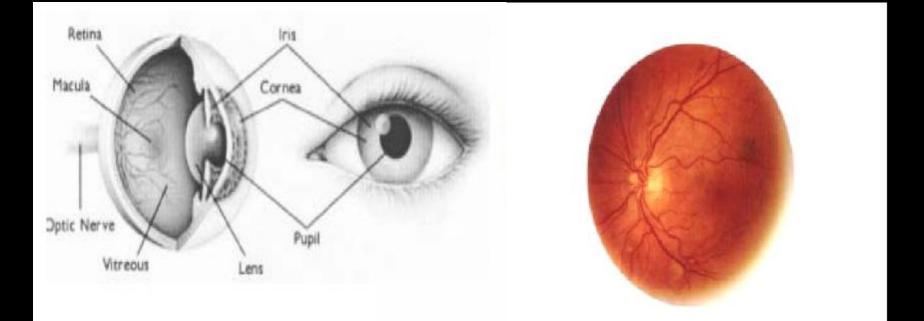
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People are identified by three basic means:

- Something they have (identity document or token)
- Something they know (password, PIN)
- Something they are (human body)

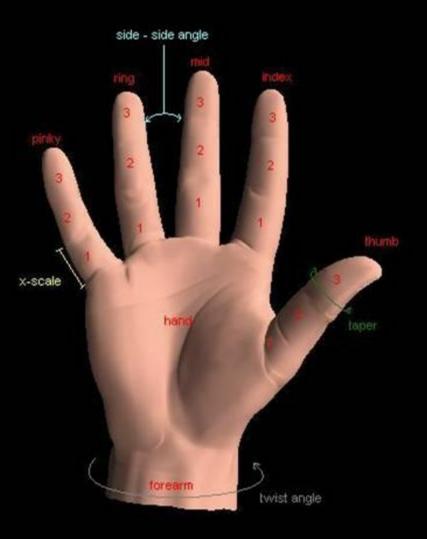


Retina



Every eye has its own totally unique pattern of blood vessels.

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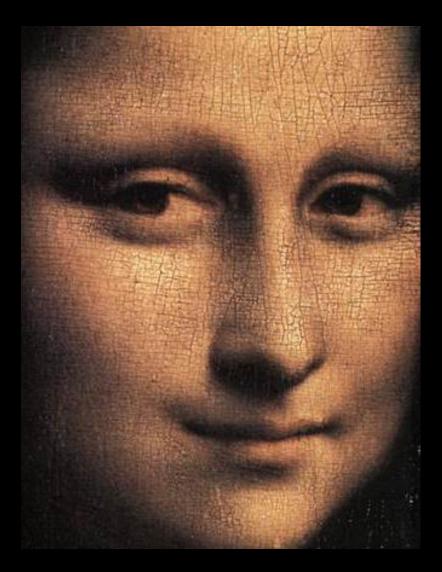
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Who are these people?



[Sinha and Poggio 1996]

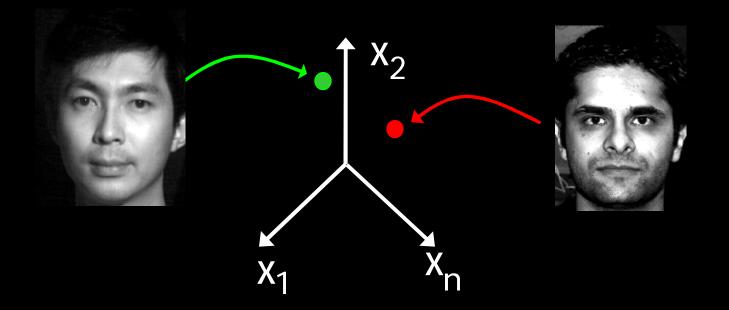
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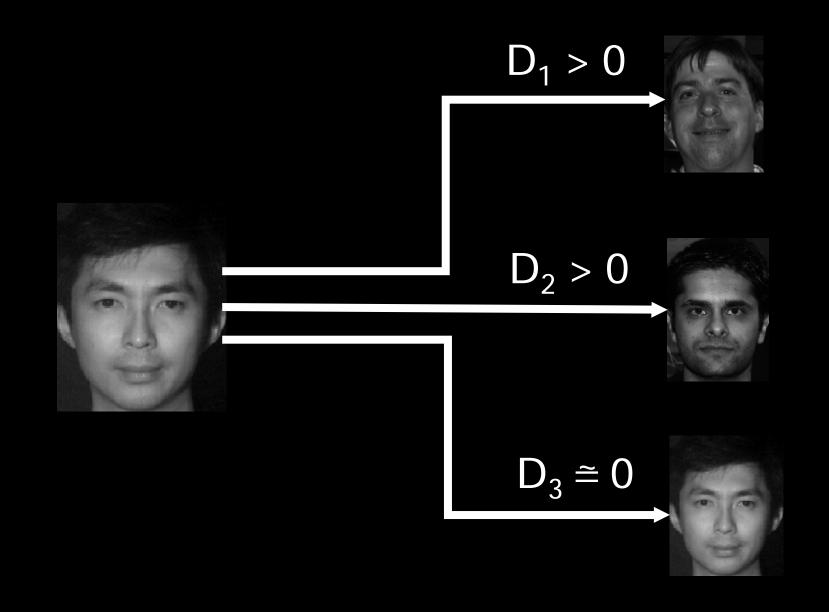
[Sinha and Poggio 2002]

Images as Points in Euclidean Space

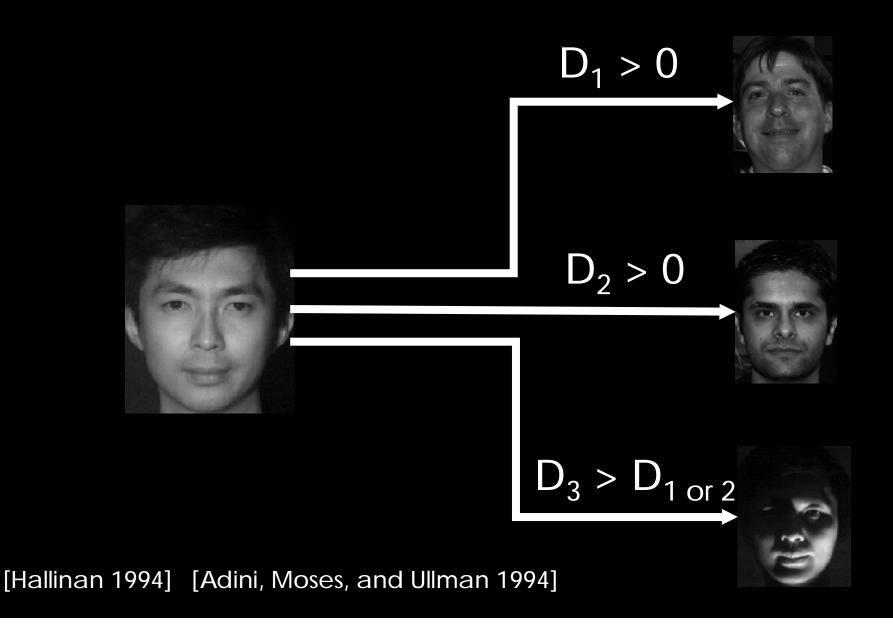


- Let an n-pixel image to be a point in an n-D space, x \hat{I} Rⁿ.
- Each pixel value is a coordinate of x.

Face Recognition: Euclidean Distances



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Same Person or Different People





Same Person or Different People





Why is Face Recognition Hard?



Challenges: Image Variability

Expression



Short Term Pose



Illumination



Long Term

- Facial Hair
- Makeup
- Eyewear

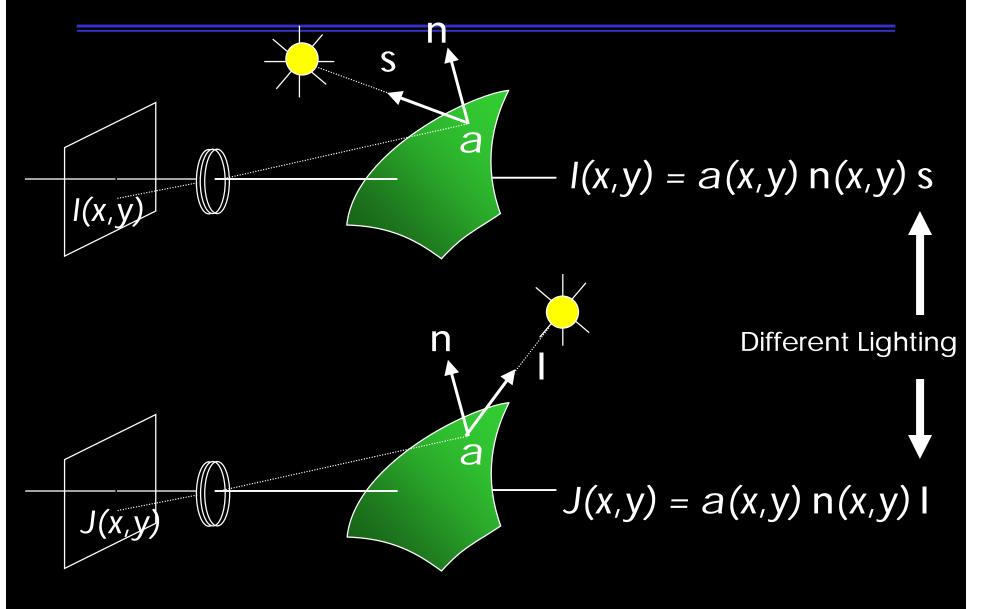
- Hairstyle
- Piercings
- Aging

Illumination Invariants?

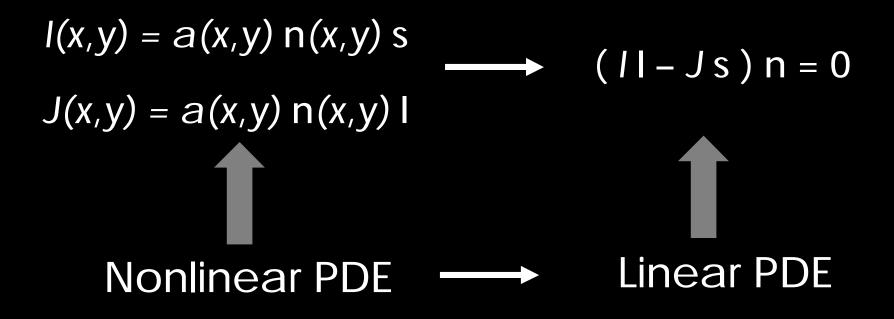
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Can Any Two Images Arise from a Single Surface?



The Surface PDE



Non-Existence Theorem for Illumination Invariants

Illumination invariants for 3-D objects do not exist.

This result does not ignore attached and cast shadows, as well as surface interreflection.

[Chen, Belhumeur, and Jacobs 2000]

Geometric Invariants?

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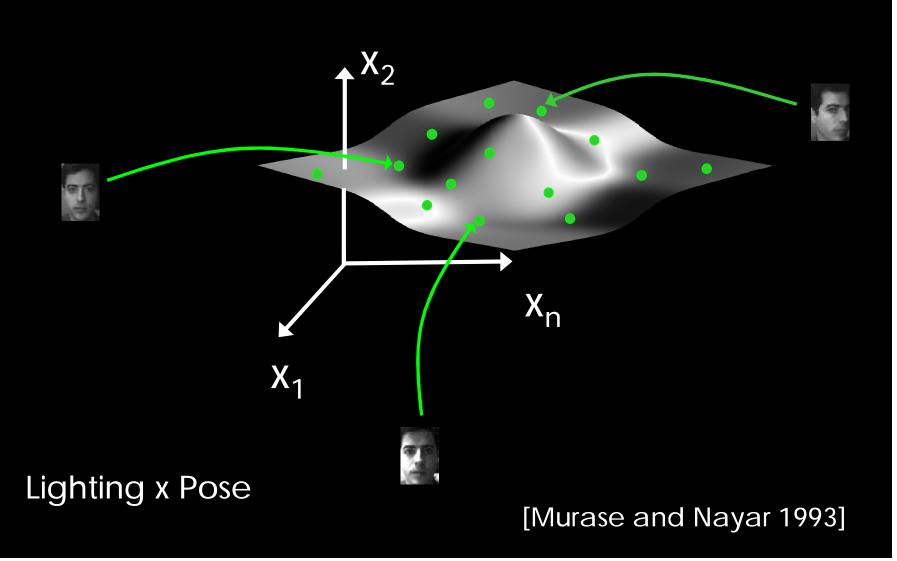
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Non-Existence Theorem for Geometric Invariants

Geometric invariants for rigid transformations of 3-D objects viewed under perspective projective projection do not exist.

[Burns, Weiss, and Riseman 1992]

Image Variability: Appearance Manifolds

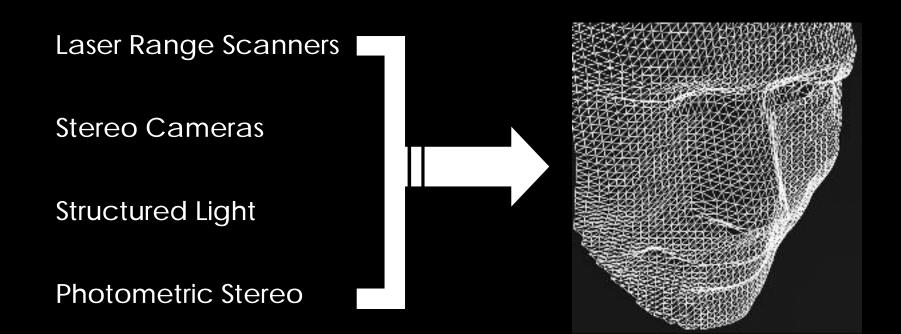


Modeling Image Variability

Can we model illumination and pose variability in images of a face?

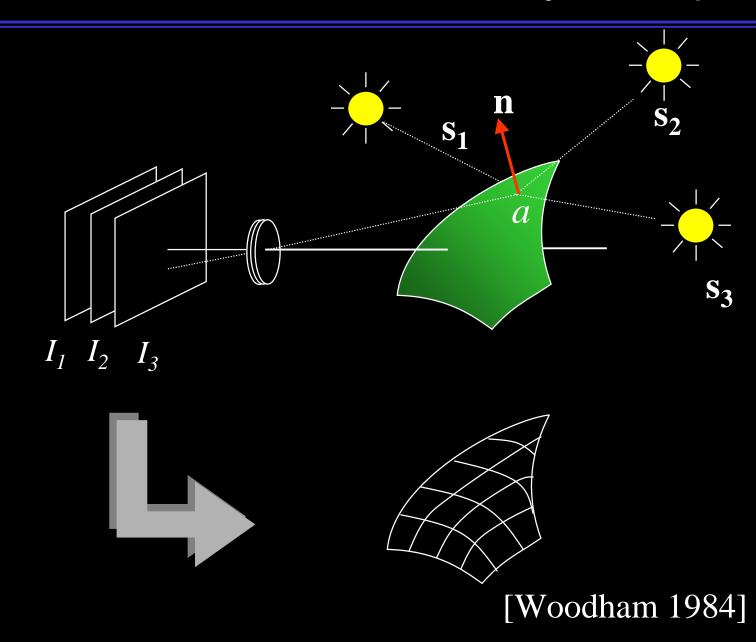
Yes, if we can determine the shape and texture of the face. But how?

Modeling Image Variability: 3-D Faces



[Atick, Griffin, Redlich 1996] [Georghiades, Belhumeur, Kriegman 1996] [Blanz and Vetter 1999] [Zhao and Chellepa 1999] [Kimmel and Sapiro 2003] [Geometrix 2001] [MERL 2005]

Illumination Variation Reveals Object Shape



Illumination Movie





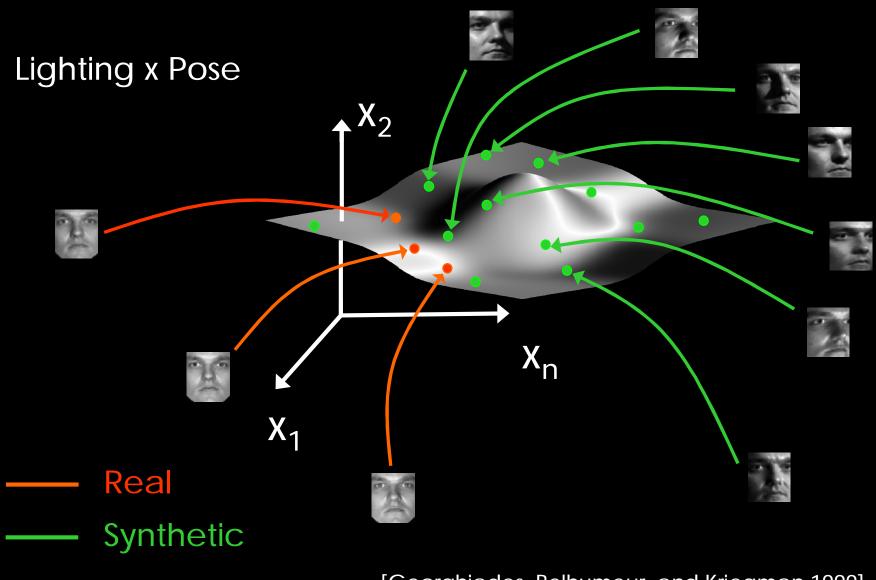
Illumination Movie

Shape Movie



Shape Movie

Image Variability: From Few to Many



[Georghiades, Belhumeur, and Kriegman 1999]

Illumination Dome



Real vs. Synthetic

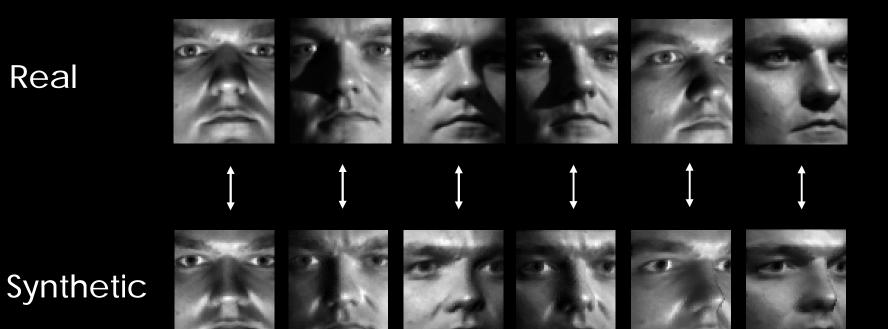
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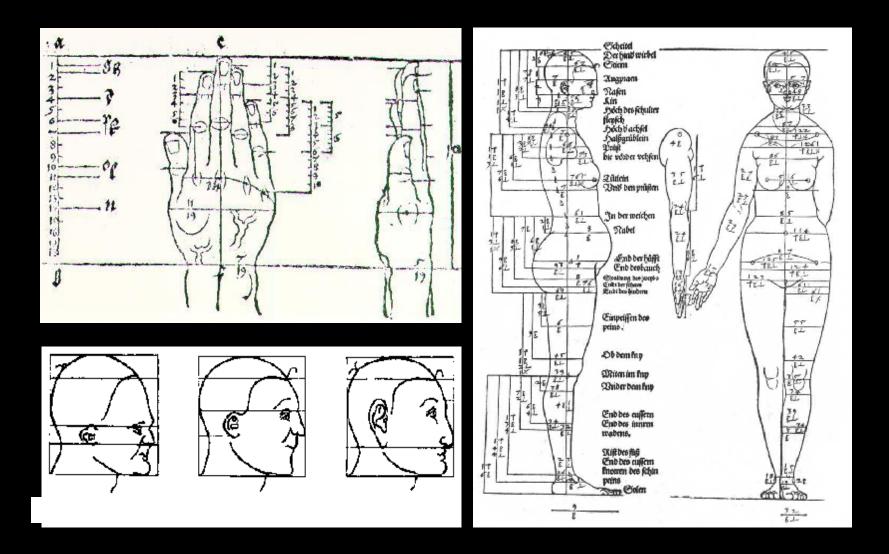
Real vs. Synthetic





A Step Back in Time

Albrecht Dürer, "Four Books on Human Proportion" (1528)



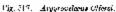
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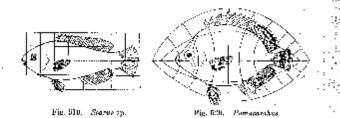
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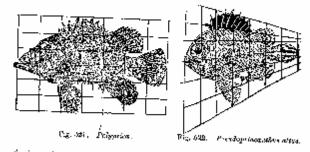


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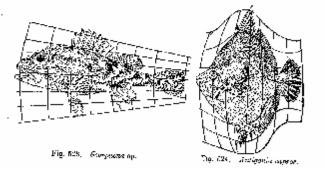
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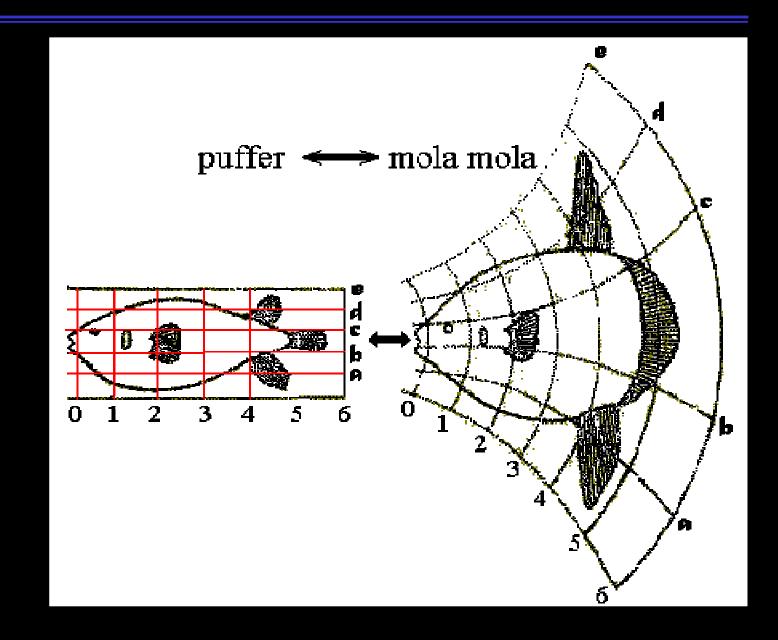
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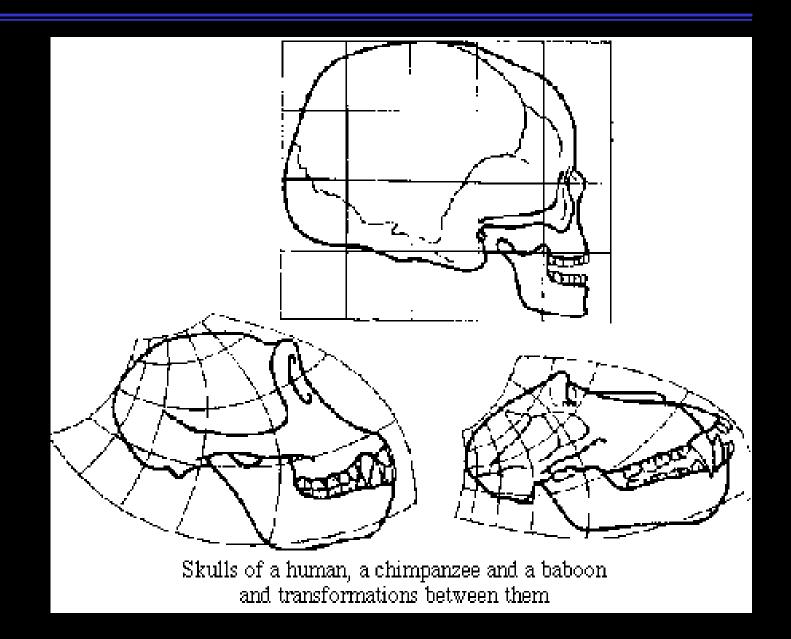
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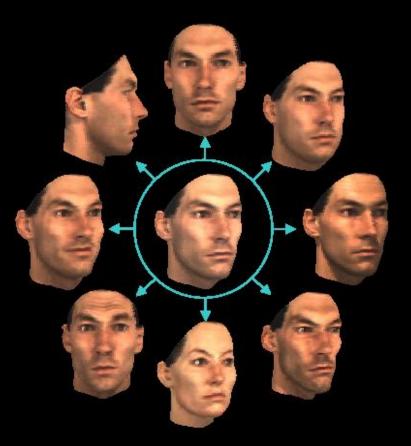
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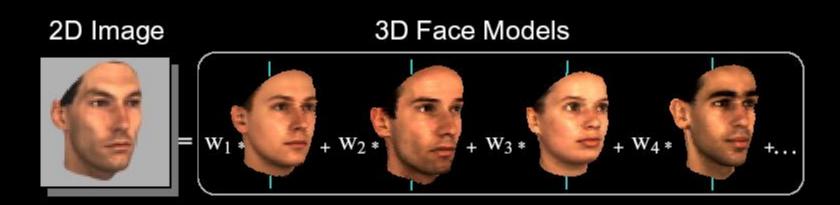
But what if we could?

From a single image

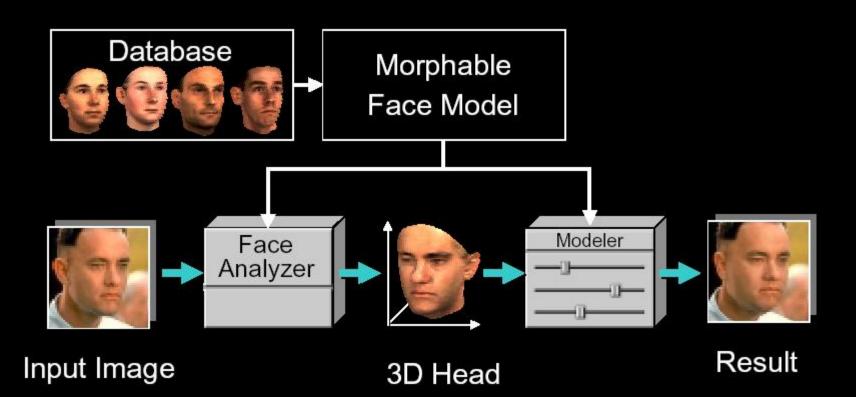
- Novel views
- Novel expressions
- Synthesis of siblings
- Change of illumination
- Variations of body weight



Building a Morphable Face Model



3-D Morphaple Models: Semi-Automatic



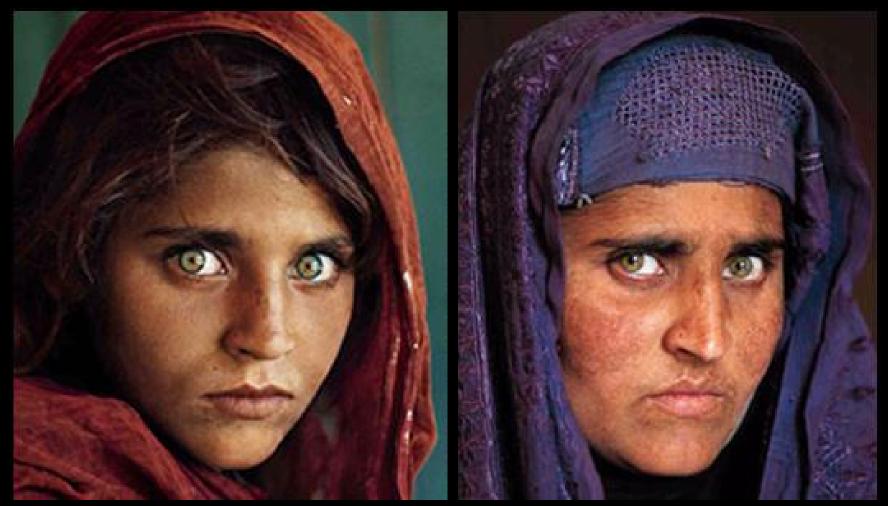
Building Morphable Face Models



Fitting Morphable Face Models



National Geographic 1984 and 2002

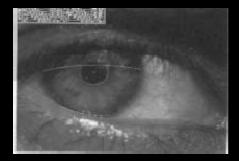


Identity Confirmed by IRIS









[Daugman 2002]