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Biography

Dr. Ekenel is an Associate Professor at the Department of Computer Engineering in Istanbul Technical University, where he directs the <u>Smart Interaction, Mobile Intelligence, and Multimedia Technologies (SiMiT) Research Group</u>?. He received his B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees in Electrical and Electronic engineering from Bogazici University in 2001 and 2003, respectively, and Ph.D. degree in Computer Engineering from the University of Karlsruhe (TH)/Karlsruhe Institute of Technology in 2009.

He has played a leading role in face analysis tasks in several large-scale European and German research projects. He was the task leader for face recognition in the Computers in the Human Interaction Loop (CHIL) project, an Integrated Project funded under the European Commission's Sixth Framework Programme with a budget of 24 million EUR. He organized international face recognition evaluations within the CLEAR evaluation campaigns (http://www.clear-evaluation.org/). He has been responsible for face recognition system in the German SFB588 Humanoid Robots project. He has been the task leader of face recognition in the French-German Quaero project funded by French State Agency for Innovation with a budget of 200 million EUR. He developed the best performing face detection system in the CHIL 2004, 2005 evaluations and the best performing face recognition system in the CLEAR 2006, 2007 evaluations. In addition, his team was ranked third among the 14 research institutions worldwide and had the first place among the six European teams participating to the Facial Expression Recognition and Analysis Challenge in 2011.

In 2008, he received the EBF European Biometric Research Award. The generality, speed, and robustness of his approach facilitated several deployments for a wide variety of real-world applications, such as entrance monitoring and person retrieval. Several demonstration sessions have been held in international conferences and events. He received the Best Demo Award at the IEEE International Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition in 2008. His face analysis technology has also been used by several research labs and companies. He was nominated for a prestigious German applied research prize by Technicolor SA (formerly Thomson SA), Exalead, Fraunhofer IOSB, and Videmo Intelligente Videoanalyse in 2010. After completing his doctoral studies, he was promoted to group leader position at the KIT. He is a recipient of a Young Investigator Grant that he was awarded within the German Excellence Initiative, with which he has founded the Facial Image Processing and Analysis (http://face.cs.kit.edu/) group at the Department of Computer Science in Karlsruhe Institute of Technology.

Since January 2011, he has been coordinating the Benchmarking Facial Image Analysis Technologies (BeFIT) initiative. He is the primary organizer of the BeFIT workshops 2011 and 2012. Together with Dr. Gunes from QMUL, he organized the International Workshop on Affective Computing for Mobile HCI (<u>http://www.ac4mobhci2012.itu.edu.tr/</u>) that took place in Istanbul, Turkey. He has been on the program committee for a number of international conferences and

Education Information

Doctorate, Universitad Karlsruhe, Bilgisayar Mühendisliği, Germany 2004 - 2009 Postgraduate, Bogazici University, Institute Of Science, Elektrik-Elektronik Mühendisliği (Yl) (Tezli), Turkey 2001 - 2003 Undergraduate, Bogazici University, Faculty Of Engineering, Department Of Electrical And Electronics Engineering, Turkey 1997 - 2001

Foreign Languages

English

Dissertations

Doctorate, A robust face recognition algorithm for real-world applications, Universitad Karlsruhe, Bilgisayar Müh., Bilgisayar Mih., 2009

Postgraduate, Expression and Illumination Insensitive Independent Components and Wavelet Subbands for Face Recognition, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi, Elektrik-Elektronik Müh., Elektrik-Elektronik Müh., 2003

Research Areas

Technical Sciences, Computer Sciences, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Learning and Pattern Recognition, Pattern Recognition and Image Processing

Academic Titles / Tasks

Associate Professor, Istanbul Technical University, Bilgisayar Ve Bilişim Fakültesi, Bilgisayar Mühendisliği Bölümü, 2014 - Continues

Assistant Professor, Istanbul Technical University, Bilgisayar Ve Bilişim Fakültesi, Bilgisayar Mühendisliği Bölümü, 2012 - 2014

Lecturer PhD, Istanbul Technical University, Bilgisayar Ve Bilişim Fakültesi, Bilgisayar Mühendisliği Bölümü, 2011 - 2012 Lecturer PhD, Universitaet Fridericiana zu Karlsruhe, 2009 - 2011

Research Assistant, Universitaet Fridericiana zu Karlsruhe, 2004 - 2009

Academic and Administrative Experience

İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi, 2013 - 2016

Published journal articles indexed by SCI, SSCI, and AHCI

- I. Unconstrained face mask and face-hand interaction datasets: building a computer vision system to help prevent the transmission of COVID-19
 Eyiokur F. I., Ekenel H. K., Waibel A.
 SIGNAL IMAGE AND VIDEO PROCESSING, vol.17, no.4, pp.1027-1034, 2023 (SCI-Expanded)
- II. A survey on computer vision based human analysis in the COVID-19 era

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- III. Deep patch-wise supervision for presentation attack detection Kantarcı A., Dertli H., Ekenel H. K.
 IET BIOMETRICS, vol.11, no.5, pp.396-406, 2022 (SCI-Expanded)
- IV. Multimodal soft biometrics: combining ear and face biometrics for age and gender classification
 Yaman D., Eyiokur F. I., Ekenel H. K.
 MULTIMEDIA TOOLS AND APPLICATIONS, vol.81, no.16, pp.22695-22713, 2022 (SCI-Expanded)
- WOCCA: Multilayer One-Class Classification for Anomaly Detection
 Massoli F. V., Falchi F., Kantarci A., Akti Ş., Ekenel H. K., Amato G.
 IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON NEURAL NETWORKS AND LEARNING SYSTEMS, vol.33, no.6, pp.2313-2323, 2022 (SCI-Expanded)
- VI. Benefiting from multitask learning to improve single image super-resolution Rad M. S., Bozorgtabar B., Musat C., Marti U., Basler M., Ekenel H. K., Thiran J. NEUROCOMPUTING, vol.398, pp.304-313, 2020 (SCI-Expanded)
- VII. Learn to synthesize and synthesize to learn
 Bozorgtabar B., Rad M. S., Ekenel H. K., Thiran J.
 COMPUTER VISION AND IMAGE UNDERSTANDING, vol.185, pp.1-11, 2019 (SCI-Expanded)
- VIII. From 2D to 3D real-time expression transfer for facial animation
 Ekmen B., Ekenel H. K.
 MULTIMEDIA TOOLS AND APPLICATIONS, vol.78, no.9, pp.12519-12535, 2019 (SCI-Expanded)
 - IX. Cross-dataset person re-identification using deep convolutional neural networks: effects of context and domain adaptation Genc A., Ekenel H. K.
 - MULTIMEDIA TOOLS AND APPLICATIONS, vol.78, no.5, pp.5843-5861, 2019 (SCI-Expanded)
 - Domain adaptation for ear recognition using deep convolutional neural networks Eyiokur F. I., Yaman D., Ekenel H. K.
 IET BIOMETRICS, vol.7, no.3, pp.199-206, 2018 (SCI-Expanded)
 - XI. DEEP REPRESENTATION AND SCORE NORMALIZATION FOR FACE RECOGNITION UNDER MISMATCHED CONDITIONS Ghaleb E., Ozbulak G., Gao H., Ekenel H. K.

IEEE INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS, vol.33, no.3, pp.43-46, 2018 (SCI-Expanded)

XII. Vision-based game design and assessment for physical exercise in a robot-assisted rehabilitation system

Erdogan H., Palaska Y., MAŞAZADE E., EROL BARKANA D., Ekenel H. K. IET COMPUTER VISION, vol.12, no.1, pp.59-68, 2018 (SCI-Expanded)

Articles Published in Other Journals

- I. Çok Kipli Yüz Analizi
 - Çanak B., EKENEL H. K.

Dokuz Eylül Üniversitesi Mühendislik Fakültesi Fen ve Mühendislik Dergisi, vol.21, no.62, pp.649-658, 2019 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)

- II. Towards Truly Affective AAL Systems
 Pudane M., Petrovica S., Lavendelis E., Ekenel H. K.
 ENHANCED LIVING ENVIRONMENTS: ALGORITHMS, ARCHITECTURES, PLATFORMS, AND SYSTEMS, vol.11369, pp.152-176, 2019 (Scopus)
- III. İnsan-İnsan Etkileşimini Arttırmaya Yönelik Çok Oyunculu Mobil ve Sosyal Oyun Tasarımı
 ŞAHİN Y. H., Erdoğan H., EKENEL H. K.
 Süleyman Demirel Üniversitesi Fen Bilimleri Enstitüsü Dergisi, pp.1197-1208, 2018 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)

Supported Projects

Ekenel H. K., Eyiokur F. İ., Yaman D., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Biyometrik Tanıma Amaçlı Kulak İmgelerinin Kullanımı, 2017 - 2019 Ekenel H. K., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Apparent Age Estimation Using Ensemble of Deep Learning Models, 2016 - 2018 Ekenel H. K., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Otomatik Yüz Analizine Dayalı Engellilere ve Hastalara Yardımcı Teknolojiler, 2014 - 2018 Ekenel H. K., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, A Face Recognition Based Multiplayer Mobile Game Applicaiton, 2014 - 2018 Ekenel H. K., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Real Time Face Swapping in Video Sequces, 2012 -2018 Ekenel H. K., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Evrişimsel Sinir Ağı Öznitelikleri ile Kişiyi Yeniden Tanıma, 2016 - 2016 Ekenel H. K., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, İnsan Makine Etkileşimi için Otomatik Yüz Analizi, 2012 - 2016

Scientific Refereeing

Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, July 2017 IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing, SCI Journal, June 2017 IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, SCI Journal, May 2017 IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, SCI Journal, April 2017 Pattern Recognition Letters, SCI Journal, March 2017 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, March 2017 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, March 2017 IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing, SCI Journal, November 2016 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, November 2016 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, August 2016 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, May 2016 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, May 2016 Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, April 2016 Multimedia Tools and Applications, SCI Journal, February 2016 IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security, SCI Journal, January 2016 IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security, SCI Journal, April 2015 Pattern Recognition Letters, SCI Journal, March 2015 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, SCI Journal, August 2014 Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, October 2013 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, SCI Journal, August 2013 Multimedia Tools and Applications, SCI Journal, August 2013 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, SCI Journal, April 2013 Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, November 2012 Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, October 2012 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, SCI Journal, September 2012 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, SCI Journal, July 2012 Multimedia Tools and Applications, SCI Journal, January 2012 Turkish Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, SCI Journal, September 2011 Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, August 2011 Image and Vision Computing, SCI Journal, July 2011 Multimedia Tools and Applications, SCI Journal, July 2011

Multimedia Tools and Applications, SCI Journal, May 2011 Multimedia Tools and Applications, SCI Journal, June 2010 Computer Vision and Image Understanding, SCI Journal, September 2007 Computer Vision and Image Understanding, SCI Journal, August 2007

Metrics

Publication: 195 Citation (WoS): 520 Citation (Scopus): 2506 H-Index (WoS): 11 H-Index (Scopus): 24

Congress and Symposium Activities

25. Sinyal İşleme ve İletişim Uygulamaları Kurultayı, Moderator, Antalya, Turkey, 2017 25th Signal Processing and Communication Application Conference (SIU), Attendee, Antalya, Turkey, 2017 ACM ICMI Facial Expressions in the Wild Workshop (EmotiW), Attendee, Tôkyô, Japan, 2016 International Workshop on Intelligent Educational Systems, Technology-enhanced Learning and Technology Transfer Models (INTEL-EDU), Attendee, Praha, Czech Republic, 2016 15th International Conference of the Biometrics Special Interest Group (BIOSIG), Attendee, Darmstadt, Germany, 2016 CVPR Biometrics Workshop, Attendee, Nevada, United States Of America, 2016 CVPR ChaLearn Looking at People and Faces of the World: Face Analysis Workshop and Challenge, Attendee, Nevada, United States Of America, 2016 24th Signal Processing and Communication Application Conference (SIU), Attendee, Zonguldak, Turkey, 2016 TIPTEKNO'15, Attendee, Muğla, Turkey, 2015 2015 IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), Attendee, Massachusetts, United States Of America, 2015 International Conference on Biometrics (ICB), Attendee, Phuket, Thailand, 2015 IEEE International Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition (FG), Attendee, Ljubljana, Slovenia, 2015 10th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence Applications and Innovations (AIAI), Attendee, Ródos, Greece, 2014 22th Signal Processing and Communication Application Conference (SIU), Attendee, Trabzon, Turkey, 2014 2nd International Workshop on Emotion Representation, Analysis and Synthesis in Continuous Time and Space (EmoSPACE), Attendee, Shanghai, China, 2013 International Conference on Computer Vision Theory and Applications (VISAPP), Attendee, Roma, Italy, 2012 1st IEEE Intl. Workshop on Benchmarking Facial Image Analysis Technologies (BeFIT 2011), Attendee, Barcelona, Spain, 2011 19th Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), Attendee, Turkey, 2011 3rd International Workshop on Automated Information Extraction in Media Production (AIEMPro'10), Attendee, Firenze, Italy, 2010 International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR'10), Attendee, İstanbul, Turkey, 2010 International Conference on Biometrics (ICB'09), Attendee, Sassari, Italy, 2009 TRECVID Evaluation Workshop, Attendee, Maryland, United States Of America, 2008 8th IEEE Int. Conference on Face and Gesture Recognition, Attendee, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 2008 16th Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), Attendee, Turkey, 2008 TRECVID Evaluation Workshop, Attendee, Maryland, United States Of America, 2007 International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV'07),, Attendee, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, 2007 IEEE International Conference on Multimedia & Expo, Attendee, Beijing, China, 2007

CVPR Biometrics Workshop, Attendee, Minnesota, United States Of America, 2007 15th Signal Processing and Communications Applications (SIU), Attendee, Eskişehir, Turkey, 2007 CLEAR Evaluation Workshop, Attendee, Maryland, United States Of America, 2007 International Conference on Computer Vision Systems, ICVS 2007, Attendee, Bielefeld, Germany, 2007 International Conference on Computer Vision Systems, ICVS 2007,, Attendee, Bielefeld, Germany, 2007 2nd Intl. Workshop on Human-Centered Robotics Systems 2006, Attendee, München, Germany, 2006 CVPR Biometrics Workshop, Attendee, New York, United States Of America, 2006 CLEAR Evaluation Workshop, Attendee, Southampton, United Kingdom, 2006 7th International Conference Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition (FG2006), Attendee, Southampton, United Kingdom, 2006 14th Signal Processing and Communications Applications (SIU), Attendee, Antalya, Turkey, 2006 13th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO 2005), Attendee, Turkey, 2005 11th Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), Attendee, Turkey, 2003 National Conference on Turkish Linguistics, Attendee, Eskişehir, Turkey, 2003 10th Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), Attendee, Denizli, Turkey, 2002 XVI. National Conference on Turkish Linguistics, Attendee, Ankara, Turkey, 2002

Non Academic Experience

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