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# Topology Preserving Graph Matching for Partial Face Recognition

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# Face Recognition

□ Access control

□ Surveillance

□ Easy



# Typical Face Recognition System

□ Face detection → Face alignment → Face representation → Face classification



# Partial Faces Exist in the Wild

□ Under crowded scenes:

□ Occ





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## □ Unreliable face alignment

- Most face alignment approaches require landmark detection
- Missing landmarks in partial faces



## □ Less discriminative description

- Different facial parts of the same person → **Large intra-class distance**
- Description of the occluded objects → **Small inter-class distance**



# Challenges

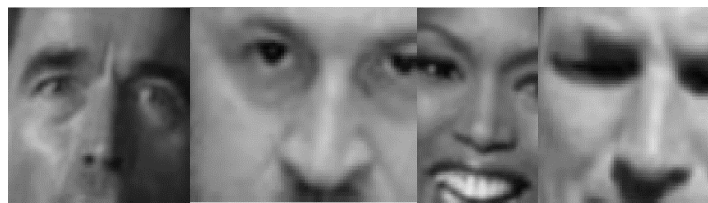
## The LFW dataset



□ HDLBP: 84.08%

□ VGG-16: 97.27%

## The partial LFW dataset



□ HDLBP: 49.32%

□ VGG-16: 71.27%

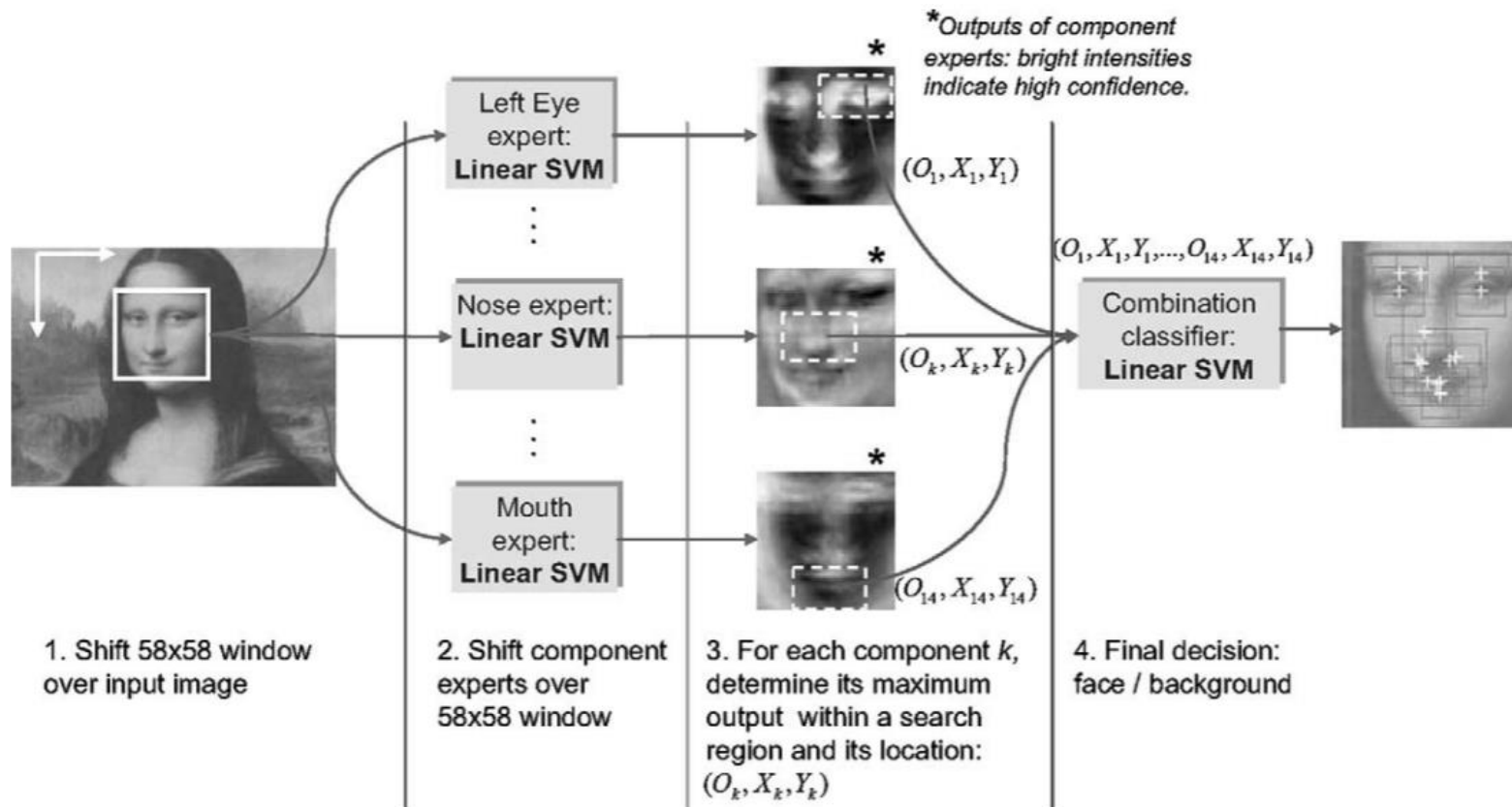
Partial faces deserve more attention!

# Possible Solutions

- ❑ Only describe the common facial parts
- ❑ Occlusion removal?
  - Difficult to detect occlusions from an unaligned face accurately
  - Description of different facial parts for the same person
- ❑ Component-based methods?

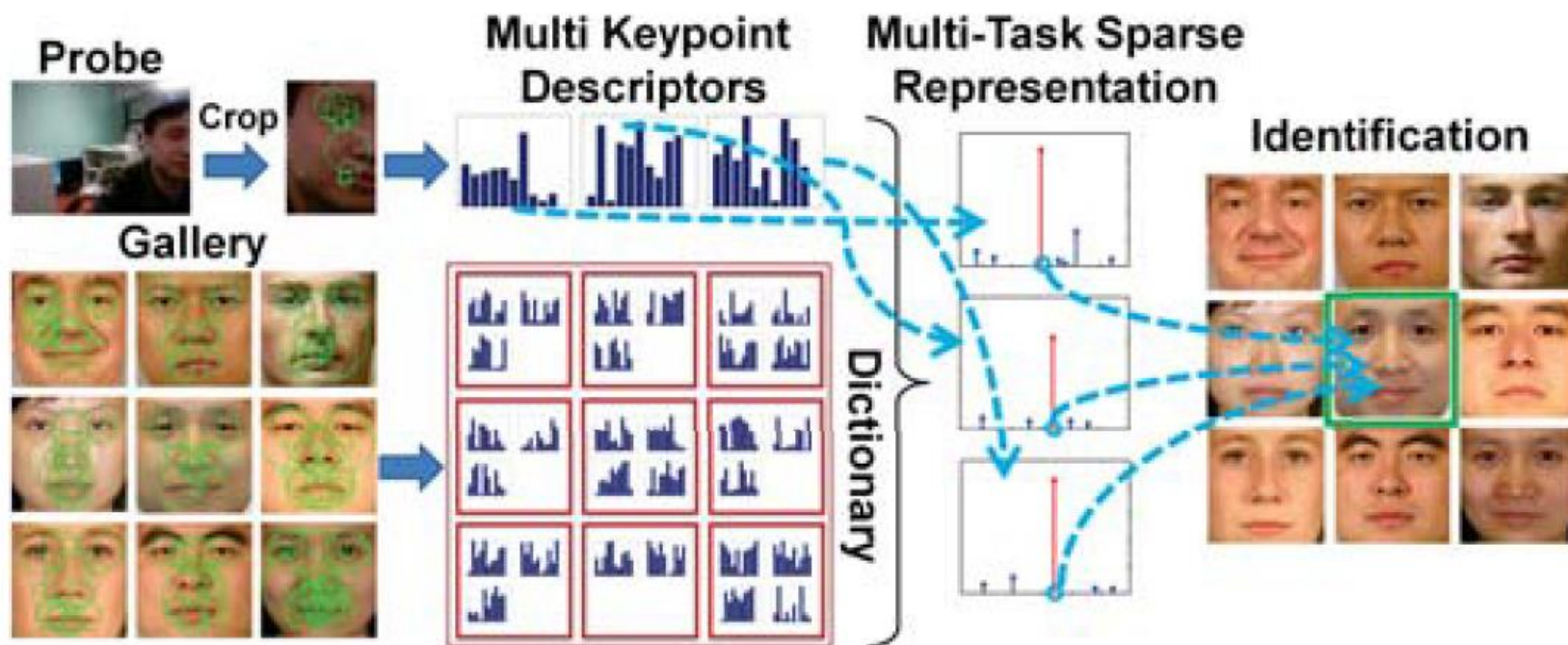


# Component-Based Methods [1]



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# Keypoint-Based Methods [2,3]



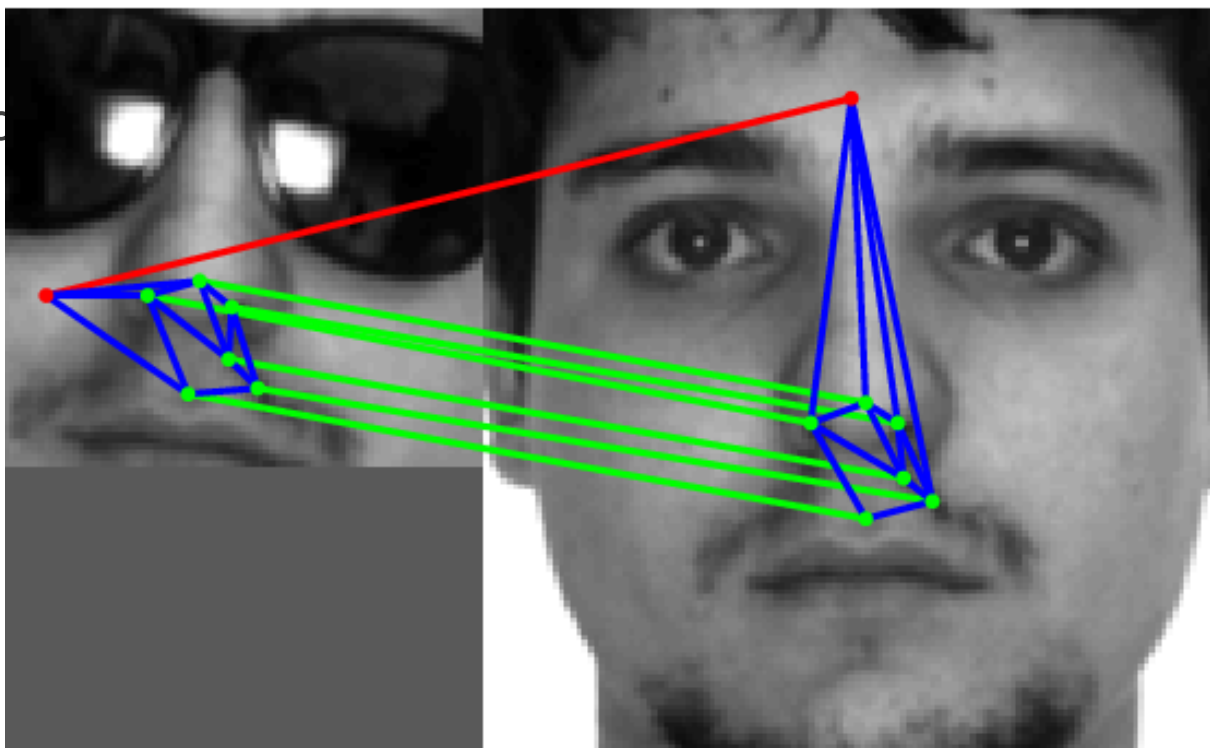
[2] Shengcai Liao, Anubhav K Jain, and Stan Z Li, Partial Face Recognition: Alignment-Free Approach, TPAMI, vol. 35, no. 5, pp. 1193-1205, 2013.

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# Motivation

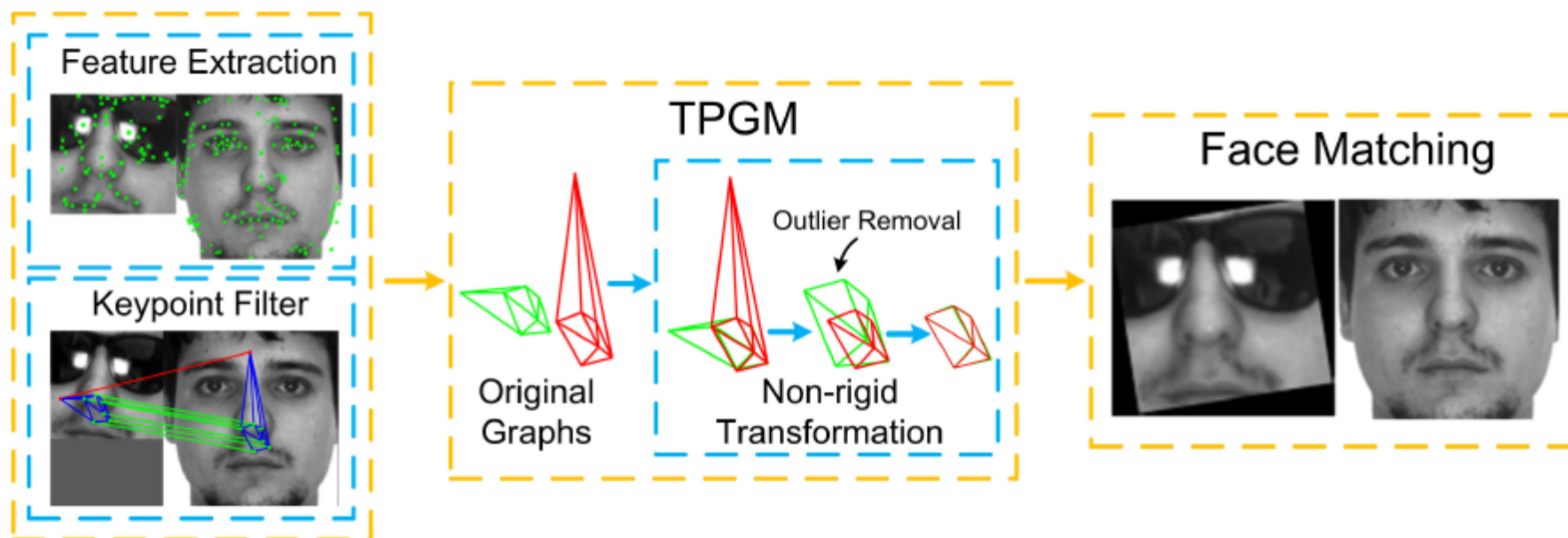
- Existing local keypoint-based approaches rely heavily on the descriptors, ignoring the topological structural information

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# Flowchart



## □ Feature Extraction

- SIFT keypoint detector and SiftSurfSILBP descriptor

## □ Keypoint Filter

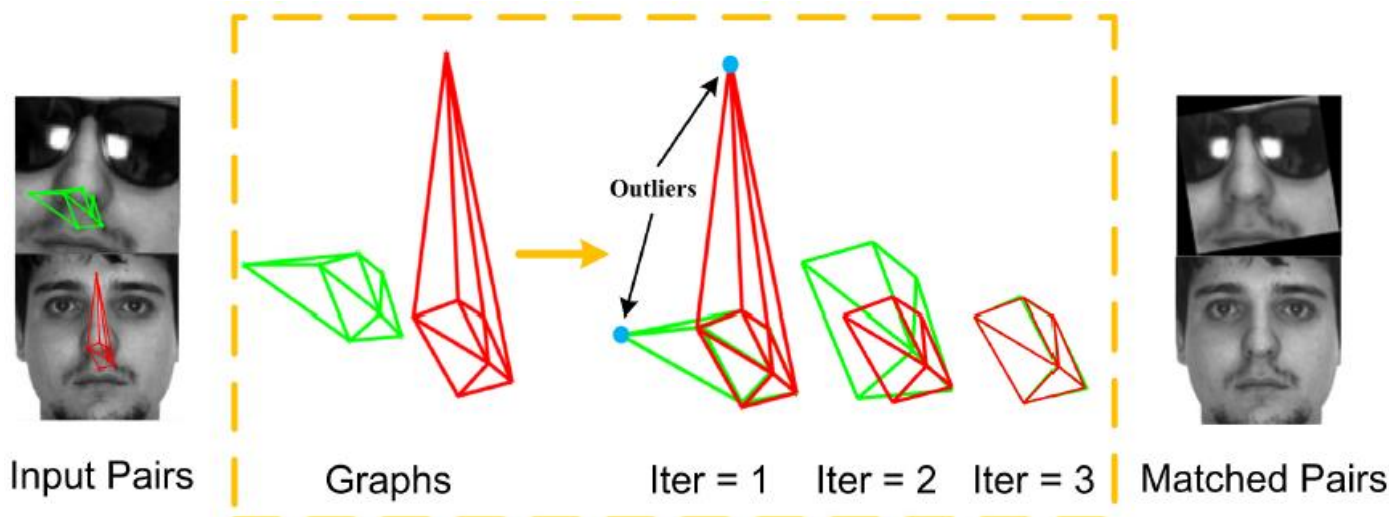
- Lowe's matching algorithm to remove obvious outliers
- Lowe's matching relies on descriptors, which fails to exploit the geometric information

## □ Topology Preserving Graph Matching

- Delaunay triangulation to construct the graph
- Estimate a non-rigid transformation from the probe image to the gallery image

## □ Face Matching

# Topology Preserving Graph Matching



□ Estimate a non-rigid transformation to match the graphs

□ Objective function:

- Textural cost
- Node-wise matching cost
- Edge-wise matching cost

$$\begin{aligned} \min J = & K_t(\mathbf{t}^P, h^t(\mathbf{t}^P)) + \lambda_p K_p(f^p(\mathbf{p}^P), h^p(\mathbf{p}^P)) \\ & + \lambda_q K_q(f^q(\mathbf{q}^P), h^q(\mathbf{q}^P)) . \end{aligned}$$

□ Outlier removal



# Face Matching

- We compute the distance between probe and gallery faces as follows:

$$d = \frac{\bar{d}}{\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{X}_{ij}} = \frac{J_{min}}{(\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{X}_{ij})^2} = \frac{K_t + \lambda_p K_p + \lambda_q K_q}{(\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{X}_{ij})^2}$$

- In proportion to the average loss
- Inverse proportion to the number of matching pairs

# Experimental Results

## □ LFW

- 13233 labeled faces of 5749 subjects
- Random transformation

## □ PubFig

- 58797 images of 200 people
- Random transformation

## □ AR

- 126 identities with 70 males and 56 females
- 13 facial images for an identity in a session:
  - 4 with different expressions
  - 3 under various illuminations
  - 3 wearing sunglasses
  - 3 wearing scarves

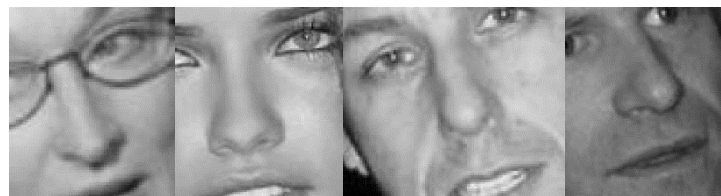
# Evaluation on LFW and PubFig

## □ The partial LFW dataset



Method	$VR \pm S_E$
HDLBP	$49.32 \pm 1.09$
CNN	$71.27 \pm 1.38$
CPD-SiftSurfSILBP	$61.62 \pm 1.19$
MKD-SRC-GTP	$68.18 \pm 1.77$
MLERPM-SiftSurf	$65.55 \pm 1.53$
MLERPM-SiftSurfLBP	$67.22 \pm 1.83$
LAIRPM-SiftSurf	$70.40 \pm 1.02$
LAIRPM-SiftSurfSILBP	$70.73 \pm 1.68$
RPSM-SiftSurf	$70.81 \pm 1.46$
RPSM-SiftSurfSILBP	$71.65 \pm 1.57$
TPGM-SiftSurfSILBP	<b><math>73.48 \pm 1.12</math></b>

## □ The partial PubFig dataset



Method	rank = 1	rank = 10	rank = 20
SiftSurfSILBP	25.00	49.29	57.86
CPD	28.36	51.93	62.29
MLERPM	27.86	52.86	64.29
MKD-SRC-GTP	38.57	62.14	72.14
LAIRPM	37.14	64.29	72.86
RPSM	42.86	65.00	74.29
TPGM	<b>43.57</b>	<b>66.43</b>	<b>75.71</b>

# Evaluation on AR

## □ The AR dataset



Method	S1-G	S1-S	S2-G	S2-S
CPD	71.00	75.67	49.33	61.00
MLERP	75.00	78.33	53.33	66.67
LAIRPM	87.33	88.33	56.33	81.33
MKD-SRC-GTP	82.33	83.33	57.67	76.33
RPSM	88.67	90.33	63.67	85.67
TPGM	<b>89.33</b>	<b>91.00</b>	<b>65.00</b>	<b>86.67</b>

# Future Works

## □ The keypoint-based approach

- Exploit higher order structural information for the graph
- Deep graph matching approaches to learn reliable transformation
- Usage of facial structure as strong prior knowledge

## □ Learning alignment-free local facial descriptor

## □ Partial face alignment



Thanks!