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de la résistance des systèmes biométriques aux attaques par
morphing*

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Introduction

Many application processes for ID documents do not implement trusted capture. For example, as long as printed biometric samples (e.g. face images) are accepted, morphing attacks, where biometric references are manipulated to match two or more biometric data subjects submitted during enrolment, pose a threat to image-based biometric systems (BSs). Morphing attack detection is possible, though the ability to detect morphing attacks can differ based on the morphing attack techniques.

Not all morphing techniques pose the same risk for an operational BS. This document establishes morphing attack potential (MAP) as a measure of the capability of a class of morphing attacks to deceive one or more BSs.

The user of this document can simulate a real use case such as issuance of documents or border control. The use case can consider a variable number of attempts and BSs to determine the MAP against automated border control (ABC) gates from different vendors.

NOTE The evaluation of the resistance of a BS is not a security evaluation.

Information technology — Methodologies to evaluate the resistance of biometric systems to morphing attacks

1 Scope

This document establishes a methodology to evaluate the resistance of BSs to morphing attacks, including multiple identity attacks. The document is limited to image-based morphing attacks. The term "image-based" includes modalities such as face, iris and finger image data.

The document establishes:

- a definition of biometric sample modifications and manipulation with a specific focus on manipulations that constitute a multiple identity attack. This can be, for instance, an enrolment attack with face image morphing;
- a methodology to measure the morphing attack potential of a morphing method.

The document also describes how morphing algorithms can be used for system evaluation.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 2382-37, *Information technology — Vocabulary — Part 37: Biometrics*

ISO/IEC 30107-1, *Information technology — Biometric presentation attack detection — Part 1: Framework*

ISO/IEC 30107-3, *Information technology — Biometric presentation attack detection — Part 3: Testing and reporting*

ISO/IEC 39794-5, *Information technology — Extensible biometric data interchange formats — Part 5: Face image data*