

Integration of Driver Behavior into Emotion Recognition Systems: A Preliminary Study on Steering Wheel & Vehicle Acceleration

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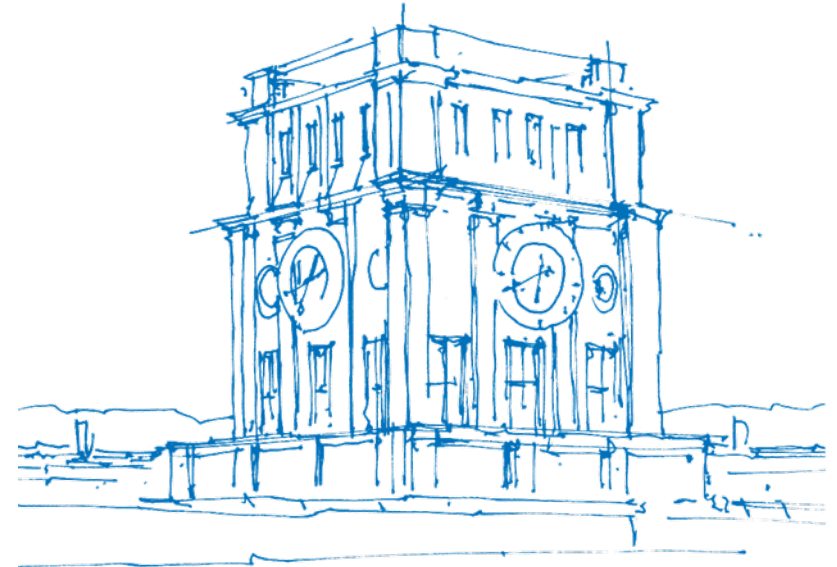
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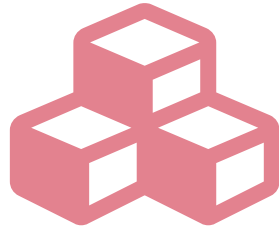


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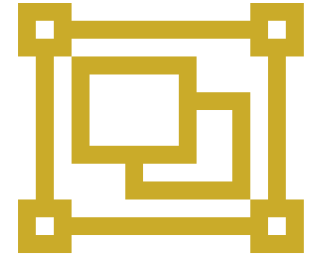
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Introduction

Status Quo

- ▶ Current status of the emotion recognition systems in cars is mostly focused on facial-based approaches
- ▶ Modeling behavior of the driver in cabin has great impact on developing intelligent and autonomous driving
- ▶ According to 7-38-55 rule, 93% of human communication is performed through nonverbal means, which consists of [facial expressions](#), [body language](#) and [voice tone](#).
- ▶ Recent studies have shown a high level of correlation between driving behavior and emotional status

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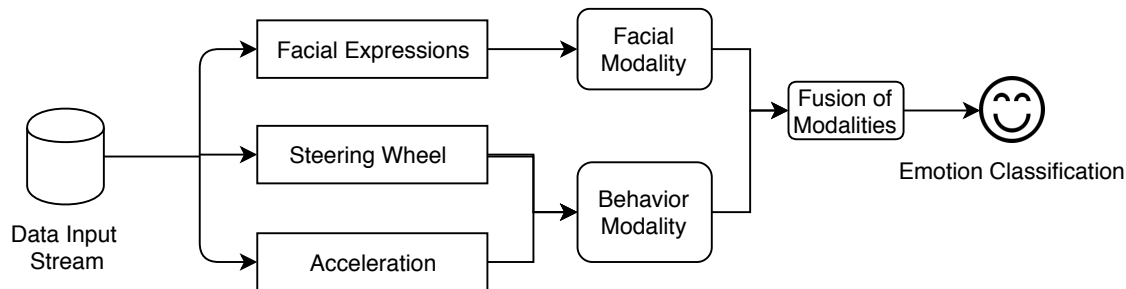
Main objectives of this work:

- ▶ How emotions affect the behavior of the driver?
- ▶ How to map the driving behavior, to the current emotional status?
- ▶ What are the benefits of multimodality in emotion recognition systems?

Objectives

Proposed system in this work:

- ▶ Facial approach is based on **HOG** (Histogram of Oriented Gradients) descriptors and SVM
- ▶ **Acceleration/Deceleration** and **Steering Wheel** usage are considered as the driving behavior-related modalities
- ▶ **Decision-level** fusion is used for combining the modalities (**arousal-valence** measure)



Objectives - Facial Approach

- ▶ Facial landmark detector was used to detect ROI,
- ▶ After detecting the face, HOG descriptors were used by applying a fixed size sliding window over an image pyramid build upon them,
- ▶ Model was build on a liner kernel SVM with decision function of One-Vs.-Rest,
- ▶ For training the model k-fold cross validation was used with k set to 10,
- ▶ CK+ and JAFFE databases were used for training,

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1: featureVector ← init list
2: SVMClassifier ← load model
3: while newFrame is exist do
4:   frame ← FetchVideoStream()
5:   grayFrame ← GrayscaleImage(frame)
6:   if faceTracker(grayFrame).Score < threshold then
7:     face ← detectFace(grayFrame)
8:   else
9:     face ← faceTracker(grayFrame).Position
10:  end if
11:  ROIarray ← FetchROI(face)
12:  for each ROI in ROIarray do
13:    hog ← HOGDescriptor(ROI)
14:    featureVector ← featureVector + hog
15:  end for
16:  result ← SVMClassifier(featureVector)
17: end while
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Experiments

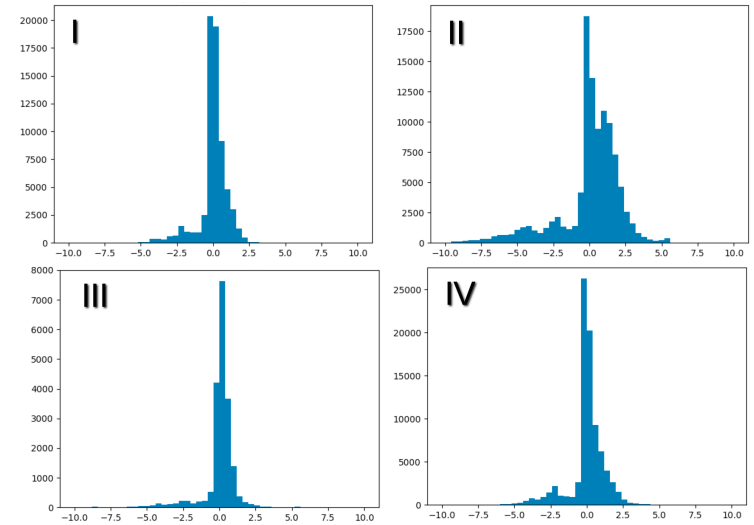
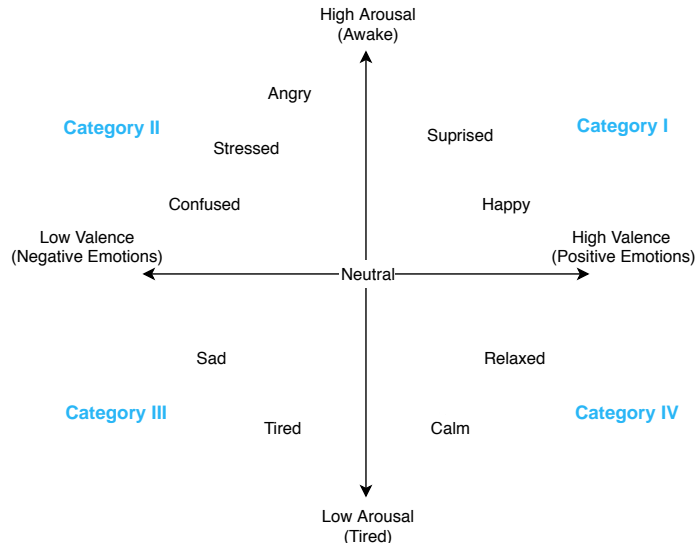
Testbed:

- ▶ A real “SMART” car simulator, 15 participants, each driving 3 scenarios , 36 minutes on average for all of the scenarios,
- ▶ Their attitude was different toward scenarios due to the prehistory **condition** narrated to them and predefined **situations** on the road,
- ▶ Participants were asked right after each ride about their actual emotional status using a questionnaire,
- ▶ Facial expressions are recorded through a **camera** along with the respective signals of steering wheel and acceleration through the **virtual test drive** software of the simulator



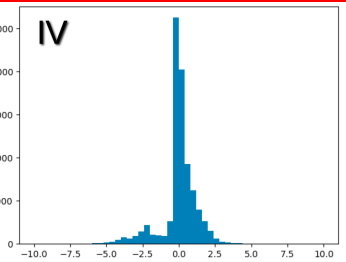
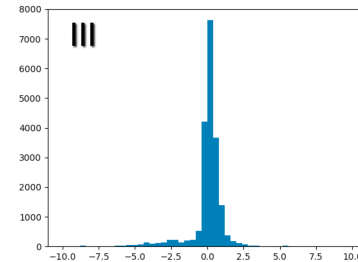
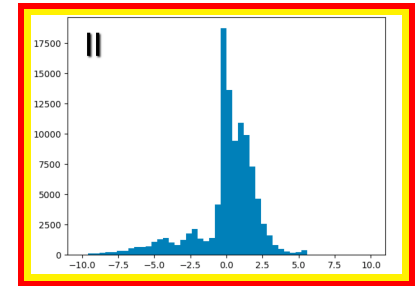
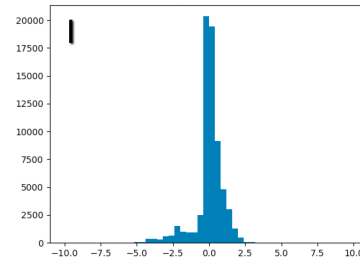
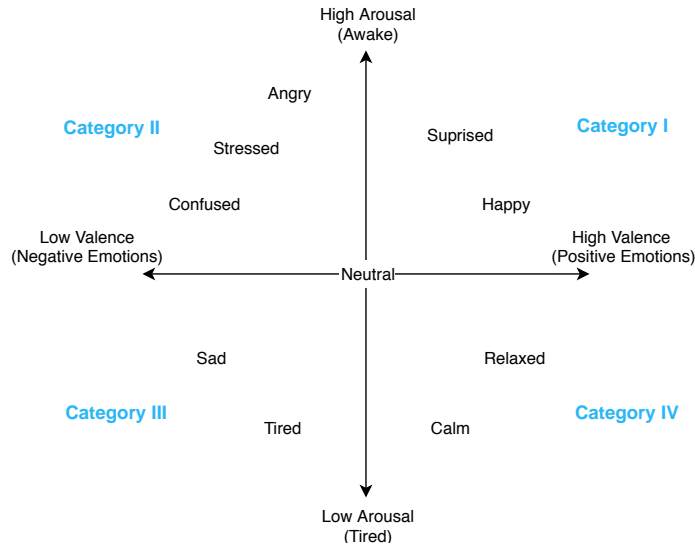
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► Frequency distribution of vehicle acceleration in 4 groups of emotional status



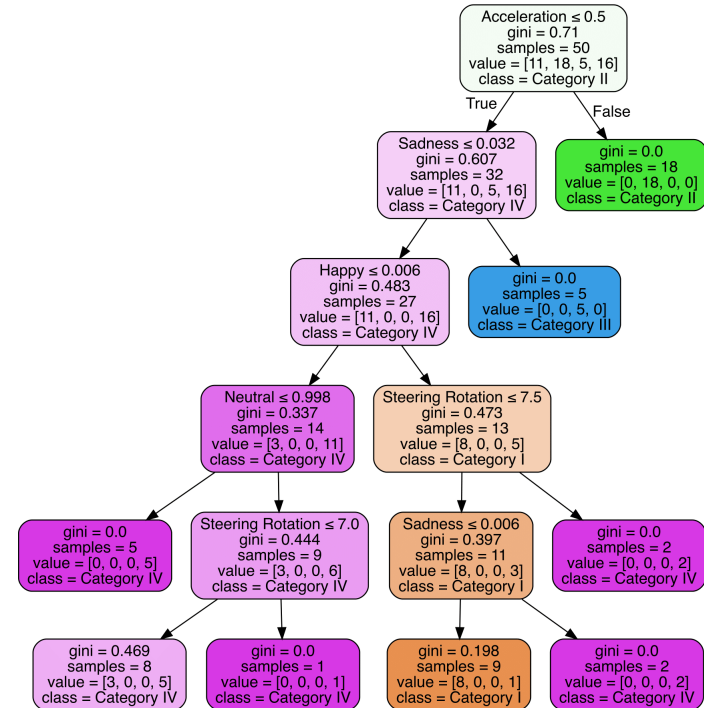
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- Angry/stressed/confused drivers tend to accelerate/decelerate faster



Results

- ▶ 50 samples of collected data are considered,
- ▶ Decision tree of combining the 3 different module using 50 samples,
- ▶ A considerable impact of the vehicle acceleration from category II,
- ▶ All 18 samples of category II are grouped using only one condition from vehicle acceleration,
- ▶ Only samples from category I and IV are left un-grouped,



Results

Conditions formulated by steering wheel (SW) rotation and **happy**, **neutral** and **sadness** features from the facial expressions module, are considered together to form the feature vector,

► After analyzing a single decision tree, we use the same feature vectors from 50 samples to train a random forest classifier

Module	Vector index	Parameter Name	Value
VA	1	Acceleration	0 or 1
SW	2	Steering Rotation	0 to ∞
Facial Expression	3	Neutral	0 to 1
	4	Anger	0 to 1
	5	Disgust	0 to 1
	6	Fear	0 to 1
	7	Happy	0 to 1
	8	Sadness	0 to 1
	9	Surprise	0 to 1

✓ Results

► The 77.27% of accuracy is obtained using multimodal emotion recognition system on data samples with 2 minutes of length,

► This condition is prone to errors and false predictions since in real-life situations the 2-minutes range could be easily falsified by situations like staying behind a red light,

► To mitigate this issue, we consider the decision taking step at the end of each ride by summarizing the emotion predictions performed for only sub-samples and choosing the most frequently felt emotion

Authors	Facial Method	Accuracy
J.F.Cohn and T.Kanade et al.	Active Appearance Models	83%
H. Alshamsi et al.	BRIEF Feature Extractor	89%
W.Swinkels et al.	Ensemble of Regression Trees	89.7%
Sébastien Ouellet	Convolutional Network	94.4%
R.A.Khan et al.	HOG-based	95%
M. F. Donia et al.	HOG-based	95%
Our Method	HOG on ROI regions	93%

Method	Accuracy	Precision	F1 Score	Recall
Facial-based Module	54.54%	54.75%	50.45%	49.86%
SW-based Module	37.5%	10.3%	13.6%	25%
VA-based Module	68.18%	35.51%	37.76%	41.37%
Fusion of All Three Modules	77.27%	73.39%	73.59%	75.89%

Results

Comparison of different unimodal and multimodal emotion recognition systems based on accuracy and different number of emotional classes

System	Type	Method	Classes	Accuracy
[1]	Unimodal	Electrodermal Activity (EDA)	3	70%
[2]	Unimodal	Facial Emotion Recognition.	6	70.2%
[3]	Unimodal	Speech Emotion Recognition	3	88.1%
[4]	Unimodal	Speech Emotion Recognition.	2	80%
[5]	Multimodal	EDA and Skin Temperature	4	92.42%
[6]	Multimodal	Speech & Facial Emotion Recognition	7	57%
[7]	Multimodal	Acoustic & Facial Emotion Recognition	3	90.7%
Our System	Multimodal	Facial and Vehicle Parameters	4	94.4%








Conclusion & Future Work

- ▶ Most of the studies on emotion recognition are based on unimodal approaches where only audio or visual is examined,
- ▶ Adding behavior related modalities increases the accuracy of the predictions and robustness of the systems,
- ▶ We have only investigated the impacts of integrating two modalities of acceleration and steering wheel usage but too many are left for the future,
- ▶ The proposed system was capable of classifying the emotions into 4 main categories with the final accuracy of 94.4%,
- ▶ We are going to extend our system by integration of other behavior-related modalities and will study the shared models among the drivers according to their emotional states

Thank You.

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