

# Evaluation of 'non-traditional' fingerprint sensor performance

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## Protocol and Results



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# Background – Motivation

Emerging fingerprint sensors ( e.g. for mobile applications: thin, light)

- Not based on traditional optical FTIR
- Not conventionally FBI certified (Appendix F or PIV)

Questions about non-traditional sensors:

1. Performance in native/closed application?
2. Performance against legacy traditional reference fingerprints?
3. Interoperability across other devices?



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# Approach

- Utilized NVLAP Accredited testing laboratory (iBeta Quality Assurance, Aurora, Colorado)
- Funded by DHS Science & Technology
- Technical collaboration with other USG agencies, industry and academia
- Experimental design provided in Statement of Work
- Sensors selected by DHS S&T
  - “Traditional” – 2 optical FTIR: FAP 60 and FAP 45
  - “Non-Traditional” – 4 different technologies (2 have FBI PIV certification)

*[ NOTE: this open presentation will not identify specific products, please don't ask]*



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# Experimental Design

{0} Image Quality – Using NFIQ

{1} Native Performance

1.1 Proprietary (Template Generator (TG) & Matcher)

1.2 ISO Standards based minutiae (TG & Matcher)

{2} Traditional References (REF), Non-traditional (NT) Probes

2.1 Proprietary TG (NT) for REF and Probes, proprietary matcher

2.2 Standard: TG (NT) for REF and Probes, associated NT matcher

2.3 Standard: REF Traditional TG, Probe TG (NT), associated NT matcher

2.4 “Probe Image” from NT sensor, proprietary Traditional TG and matcher

{3} Interoperability across all devices (*all ISO Standard based*)

3.1 All associated-TGs, Probe associated matcher

3.2 All associated-TGs, Traditional matcher

3.3 Traditional matcher and TG (NT images only)



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# Experimental Design-Applications

{1} Native Performance = Closed system (either Proprietary or Standards based (STD))

{2} Traditional (TRAD) REF, Non-traditional (NT) Probes

2.1 Legacy TRAD enrollment images (only) + NT Proprietary TG/matcher

2.2 Legacy TRAD enrollment images (only) + NT STD TG/matcher

2.3 **PIV** (TRAD enrollment templates) + NT (certified/MINEX)

2.4 **IDENT** (Probe device image only, TRAD proprietary TG/matcher)

{3} Interoperability (I/Op) across all devices (*all ISO Standard based*)

3.1 **MINEX** Scenario-1 (*when using index fingers*)

3.2 None (*investigates I/Op independent of NT matcher*)

3.3 None (*investigates image level interoperability*)



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# Experimental Design - Details

		Reference		Probe		Matcher
		Sensor	TG	Sensor	TG	
Native	Exp 1.1	Vendor-i	Prop	Vendor-i	Prop	Vendor
	Exp 1.2	Vendor-i	Std	Vendor-i	Std	Vendor
Traditional Reference	Exp 2.1	TRAD	NT-Prop	NT	NT-Prop	NT Vendor
	Exp 2.2	TRAD	NT-Std	NT	NT-Std	NT Vendor
	Exp 2.3	TRAD	TRAD-Std	NT	NT-Std	NT Vendor
	Exp 2.4	TRAD	TRAD-Prop	NT	TRAD-Prop	TRAD-Prop
Interoperability	Exp 3.1	Vendor-i	Vendor-i Std	Vendor-i	Vendor-i Std	Probe Vendor
	Exp 3.2	Vendor-i	Vendor-i Std	Vendor-i	Vendor-i Std	TRAD
	Exp 3.3	Vendor-i	TRAD	Vendor-i	TRAD	TRAD

## Legend

TRAD – Traditional  
NT – Non-traditional

Prop – Proprietary  
Std – ISO Standard based

TG – Template Generator  
i - device 1-6



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# Data Collected

- 260 test subjects in crew
- Enrollment (1 or more samples, variable by device) and 6 Verification samples per finger
- 6 fingers per subject (L and R: index, middle and thumbs)
- Total number of finger prints collected ~ 11,000



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# Laboratory Activity

- Test Plan and IRB approval
- Crew recruiting (controlled for gender and age)
- Data collection- prepare test harnesses
- Data collection- one session per crew member (indoor environment, various locations)
- Data reduction, analysis and reporting



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# Analysis Methods

- Single finger and ALL fingers
- Single attempt and 3-attempt transactions
  - **Max of 3 scores** used for transaction level (genuine and imposter)
- 2-finger fusion (LRI – left & right index, RIM – right index & middle, LIM – left index & middle, LRT – left & right thumbs)
  - **Simple sum fusion** (*or single score if second score is missing*)
- Combined fusion and 3-attempt transactions
- For anonymous reporting:
  - **Traditional (FTIR) devices are labeled A and B**
  - **Non-traditional devices are labeled C through F**



# Performance Results

- Quality
- Native – E1
- Traditional REF – E2.x
- Interoperability – E3.1, E3.3
- Effect of fusion and 3-attempts

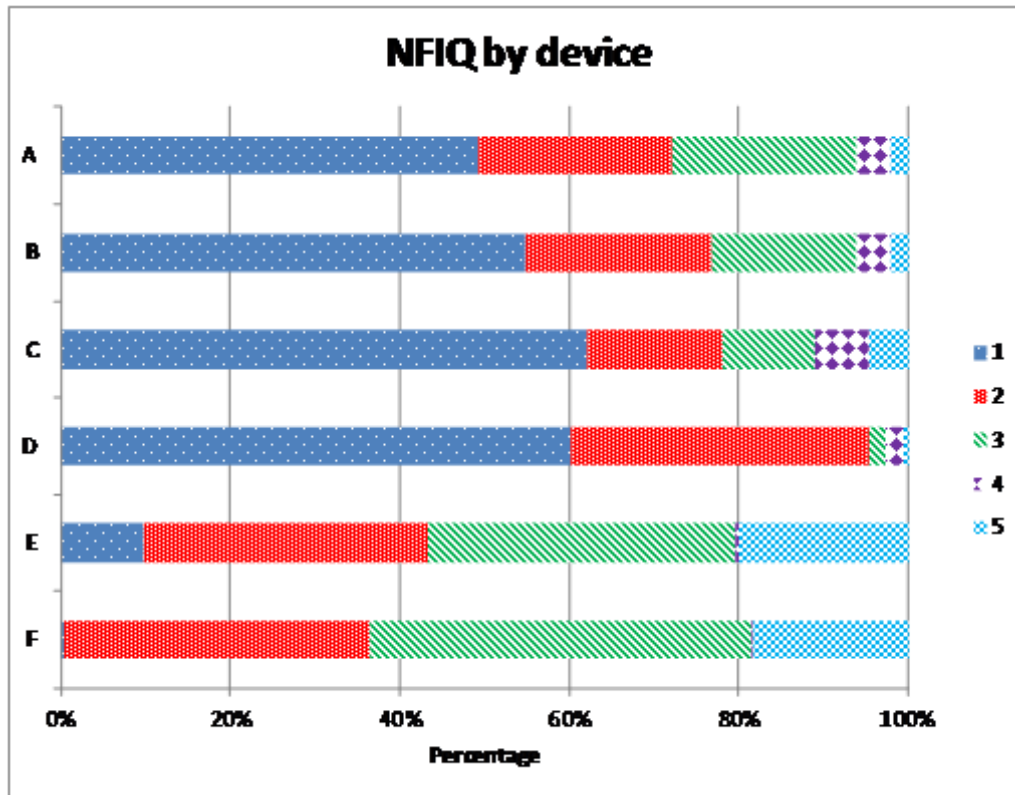


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# Quality

- Based on NIST NFIQ scores<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Adjustments made to represent typical operational data collection

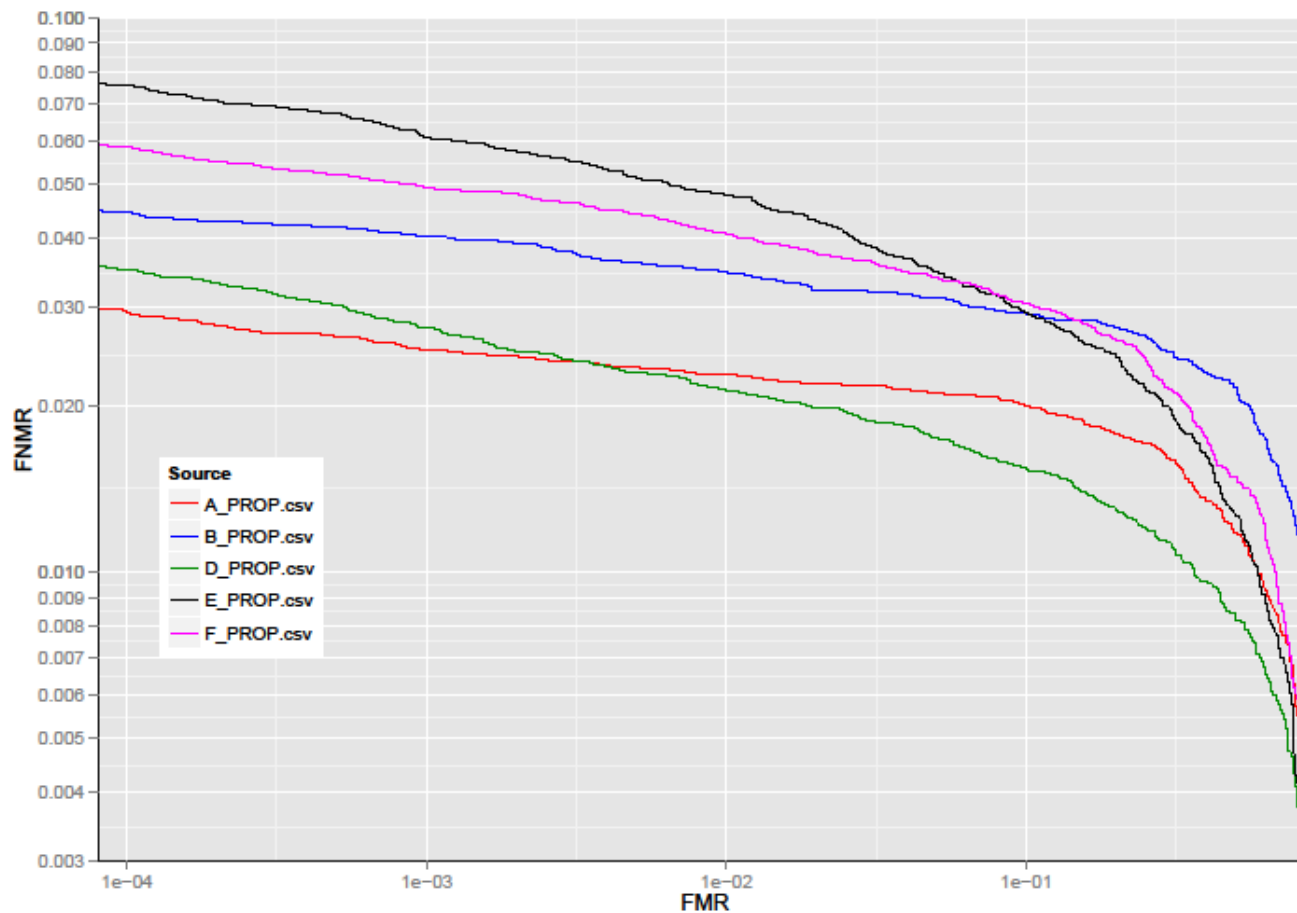


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# Native Performance – Proprietary

Devices A, B, D, E, F: all fingers combined

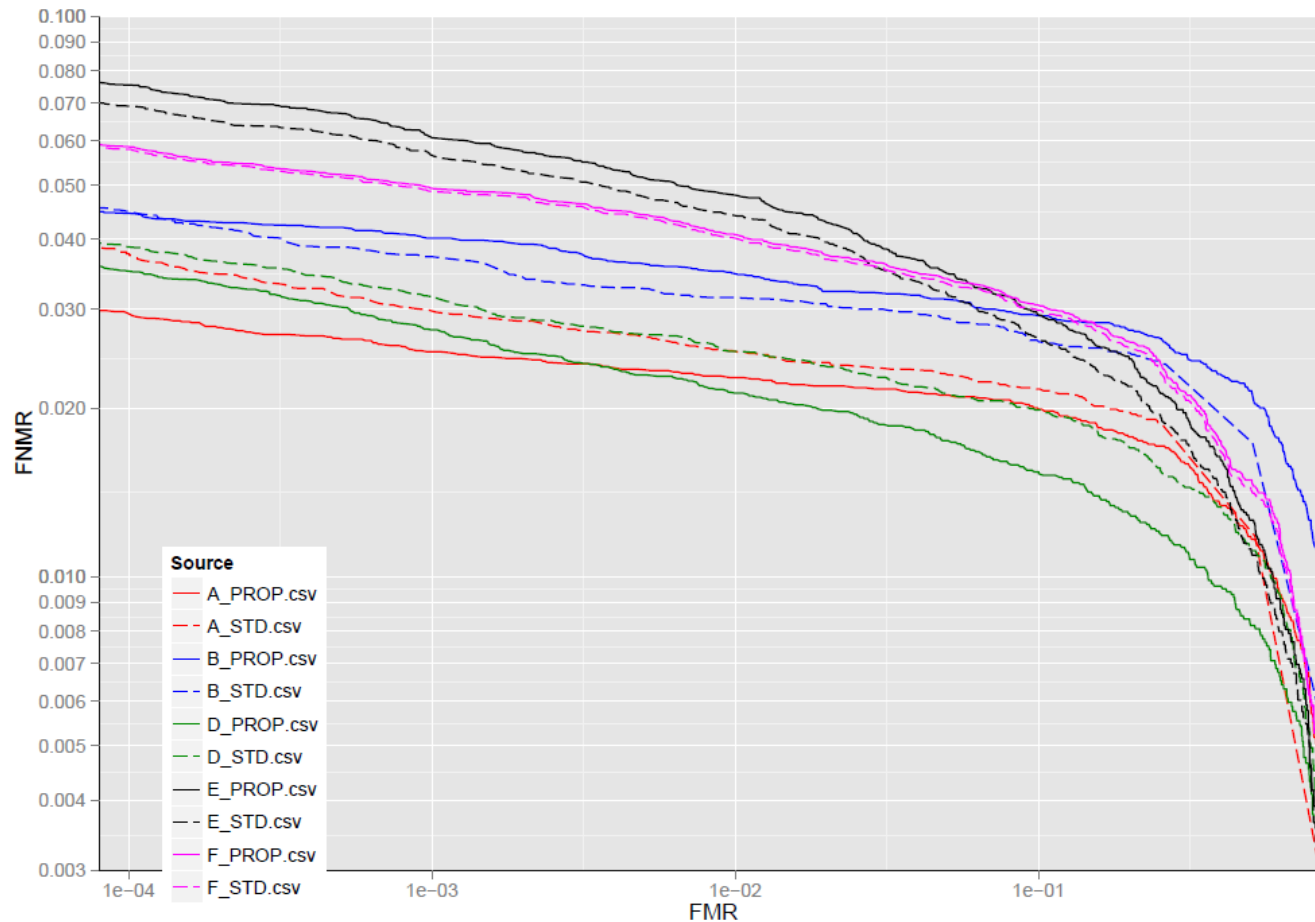


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# Native Performance – Proprietary and Standard-based



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# Native Performance – Difference due to ISO Standard Template Generation

Standard minus Proprietary FNMR – Table shows very little impact

Prop	A	B	D	E	F		Prop	A	B	D	E	F
0.0001	0.030	0.045	0.035	0.075	0.059		0.0001	3.0%	4.5%	3.5%	7.5%	5.9%
0.001	0.025	0.040	0.028	0.061	0.049		0.001	2.5%	4.0%	2.8%	6.1%	4.9%
0.01	0.023	0.035	0.021	0.048	0.041		0.01	2.3%	3.5%	2.1%	4.8%	4.1%
0.1	0.020	0.029	0.015	0.029	0.031		0.1	2.0%	2.9%	1.5%	2.9%	3.1%
<b>Std</b>							<b>Std</b>					
0.0001	0.038	0.045	0.039	0.069	0.058		0.0001	3.8%	4.5%	3.9%	6.9%	5.8%
0.001	0.030	0.037	0.032	0.057	0.049		0.001	3.0%	3.7%	3.2%	5.7%	4.9%
0.01	0.025	0.032	0.025	0.044	0.040		0.01	2.5%	3.2%	2.5%	4.4%	4.0%
0.1	0.022	0.026	0.020	0.027	0.030		0.1	2.2%	2.6%	2.0%	2.7%	3.0%
<b>Diff</b>							<b>Diff</b>					
0.0001	0.008	0.000	0.004	-0.006	-0.001		0.0001	0.8%	0.0%	0.4%	-0.6%	-0.1%
0.001	0.005	-0.003	0.004	-0.005	0.000		0.001	0.5%	-0.3%	0.4%	-0.5%	0.0%
0.01	0.003	-0.003	0.004	-0.004	-0.001		0.01	0.3%	-0.3%	0.4%	-0.4%	-0.1%
0.1	0.002	-0.003	0.005	-0.002	-0.001		0.1	0.2%	-0.3%	0.5%	-0.2%	-0.1%



# Performance Data Tables

## Table structure/organization

- Table values are FNMR values at 4 levels of FMR (0.0001 to 0.1)
  - For 3-Attempt transaction, values are FRR at 4 levels of FAR
- Columns are Probe devices. Blocks of 4 rows are Reference devices
- All values are decimal



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# Performance Data Tables

## Use of shading

- As indicated in the Legend on each table, the FNMR (or FRR) values are shaded based on error level:
  - > 10% Yellow
  - > 5% Blue
  - > 2% Light Green
  - > 1% Dark Green
- This allows for a rapid visual assessment of the degree of achievement: **the more shading the better, the more green the better.**



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# Experiment 2 – Traditional Reference

	Ref	Probe->	C	D	E	F
		FMR	FNMR			
E2-1	<b>A</b>	0.0001	NS	NS	0.346	0.355
		0.001	NS	NS	0.277	0.300
		0.01	NS	NS	0.218	0.252
		0.1	NS	NS	0.154	0.200
	<b>B</b>	0.0001	NS	NS	0.318	0.274
		0.001	NS	NS	0.265	0.250
		0.01	NS	NS	0.214	0.226
		0.1	NS	NS	0.163	0.194
E2-2	<b>A</b>	0.0001	NS	0.180	0.346	0.360
		0.001	NS	0.130	0.277	0.305
		0.01	NS	0.095	0.218	0.257
		0.1	NS	0.065	0.154	0.204
	<b>B</b>	0.0001	NS	0.131	0.318	0.279
		0.001	NS	0.101	0.265	0.255
		0.01	NS	0.081	0.214	0.231
		0.1	NS	0.060	0.163	0.200

	Ref	Probe->	C	D	E	F
		FMR	FNMR			
E2-3	<b>A</b>	0.0001	NS	0.185	0.360	0.449
		0.001	NS	0.143	0.296	0.363
		0.01	NS	0.112	0.232	0.300
		0.1	NS	0.088	0.168	0.231
	<b>B</b>	0.0001	NS	0.155	0.347	0.422
		0.001	NS	0.118	0.289	0.341
		0.01	NS	0.097	0.230	0.276
		0.1	NS	0.079	0.167	0.219
E2-4	<b>A</b>	0.0001	0.071	0.099	0.238	0.312
		0.001	0.058	0.078	0.182	0.237
		0.01	0.049	0.067	0.134	0.181
		0.1	0.037	0.054	0.089	0.129
	<b>B</b>	0.0001	0.084	0.103	0.250	0.292
		0.001	0.071	0.086	0.204	0.231
		0.01	0.060	0.073	0.159	0.182
		0.1	0.050	0.061	0.114	0.131
		Legend	> 0.1	> 0.02	> 0.01	



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NS = Not Supported (matcher or TG not provided)

# Experiment 3.1 – Interoperability

Performance data table for Interoperability experiment, part 1, **Right Index** finger, **one** attempt (RIX-1), showing FNMR values at 4 levels of FMR across all device combinations.

(Color coding in accordance with the embedded legend)

E31 RIX-1						
Ref	Probe->	A	B	D	E	F
	FMR	FNMR				
<b>A</b>						
	0.0001	0.037	0.026	0.145	0.304	0.352
	0.001	0.031	0.019	0.102	0.218	0.277
	0.01	0.028	0.014	0.079	0.171	0.219
	0.1	0.023	0.014	0.069	0.122	0.163
<b>B</b>						
	0.0001	0.074	0.050	0.169	0.308	0.370
	0.001	0.062	0.045	0.133	0.247	0.289
	0.01	0.054	0.040	0.107	0.201	0.230
	0.1	0.045	0.032	0.086	0.145	0.180
<b>D</b>						
	0.0001	0.141	0.116	0.023	0.224	0.243
	0.001	0.115	0.092	0.021	0.172	0.192
	0.01	0.089	0.074	0.019	0.126	0.149
	0.1	0.070	0.056	0.018	0.079	0.112
<b>E</b>						
	0.0001	0.286	0.237	0.284	0.047	0.157
	0.001	0.221	0.193	0.214	0.035	0.133
	0.01	0.169	0.160	0.167	0.022	0.112
	0.1	0.129	0.122	0.117	0.013	0.096
<b>F</b>						
	0.0001	0.415	0.397	0.291	0.151	0.041
	0.001	0.318	0.297	0.248	0.131	0.036
	0.01	0.265	0.248	0.189	0.102	0.026
	0.1	0.215	0.217	0.131	0.067	0.021
	Legend	> 0.1	> 0.05	> 0.02	> 0.01	



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# Experiment 3.1 – Interoperability - 2

**MINEX** equivalent:  
 For fused **Left-Right Index** fingers, **one** attempt (LRI-1), the overall error rates drop significantly from one-finger. **Do not** satisfy MINEX approval criteria.

E31 LRI-1						
Ref	Probe->	A	B	D	E	F
	FMR	FNMR				
<b>A</b>						
	0.0001	0.015	0.006	0.082	0.226	0.305
	0.001	0.015	0.003	0.055	0.163	0.248
	0.01	0.013	0.002	0.040	0.094	0.133
	0.1	0.011	0.002	0.028	0.055	0.067
<b>B</b>						
	0.0001	0.030	0.006	0.076	0.222	0.273
	0.001	0.024	0.006	0.055	0.157	0.222
	0.01	0.019	0.005	0.033	0.089	0.112
	0.1	0.013	0.001	0.026	0.062	0.052
<b>D</b>						
	0.0001	0.085	0.053	0.001	0.097	0.118
	0.001	0.064	0.036	0.001	0.072	0.094
	0.01	0.042	0.031	0.001	0.053	0.073
	0.1	0.032	0.023	0.001	0.035	0.042
<b>E</b>						
	0.0001	0.193	0.158	0.161	0.014	0.089
	0.001	0.148	0.121	0.120	0.009	0.078
	0.01	0.089	0.075	0.071	0.007	0.057
	0.1	0.066	0.046	0.046	0.004	0.039
<b>F</b>						
	0.0001	0.365	0.329	0.181	0.098	0.013
	0.001	0.304	0.236	0.138	0.078	0.010
	0.01	0.152	0.121	0.108	0.051	0.005
	0.1	0.091	0.071	0.072	0.033	0.002
	Legend	> 0.1	> 0.05	> 0.02	> 0.01	



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# Experiment 3.1 – Interoperability - 3

For fused **Left-Right Index** fingers, **three** attempts (LRI-3), some of the higher error rates drop. Indicates some “potential” for interoperability.

(this is best-case example)

E31 LRI-3						
Ref	Probe->	A	B	D	E	F
	FMR	FNMR				
<b>A</b>						
	0.0001	0.014	0.009	0.063	0.169	0.180
	0.001	0.014	0.006	0.046	0.133	0.169
	0.01	0.014	0.006	0.034	0.088	0.113
	0.1	0.012	0.006	0.024	0.051	0.036
<b>B</b>						
	0.0001	0.029	0.006	0.061	0.149	0.145
	0.001	0.023	0.006	0.042	0.107	0.117
	0.01	0.016	0.003	0.026	0.067	0.066
	0.1	0.010	0.003	0.026	0.037	0.021
<b>D</b>						
	0.0001	0.110	0.071	0.002	0.087	0.088
	0.001	0.076	0.052	0.002	0.066	0.067
	0.01	0.053	0.038	0.002	0.041	0.045
	0.1	0.032	0.025	0.002	0.033	0.026
<b>E</b>						
	0.0001	0.192	0.174	0.139	0.013	0.057
	0.001	0.157	0.143	0.097	0.013	0.049
	0.01	0.082	0.100	0.057	0.010	0.036
	0.1	0.059	0.062	0.035	0.010	0.022
<b>F</b>						
	0.0001	0.315	0.306	0.145	0.072	0.005
	0.001	0.268	0.221	0.119	0.061	0.002
	0.01	0.171	0.124	0.081	0.040	0.002
	0.1	0.109	0.075	0.059	0.035	0.002
	Legend	> 0.1	> 0.05	> 0.02	> 0.01	



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# Experiment 3.3 Traditional TG/Matcher

When images for all devices are processed with traditional TG and matcher, the results reflect the **utility of the images** per device. FNMR values are for LRI fusion, 3-attempts.

Devices A through D indicate potential for interoperability at the sensor image level.

E33 LRI-3							
Ref	Probe->	A	B	C	D	E	F
	FMR	FNMR					
A	0.0001	0.014	0.009	0.025	0.034	0.105	0.077
	0.001	0.014	0.006	0.022	0.032	0.096	0.075
	0.01	0.014	0.006	0.018	0.027	0.071	0.058
	0.1	0.012	0.006	0.010	0.022	0.031	0.022
B	0.0001	0.029	0.029	0.027	0.042	0.095	0.093
	0.001	0.023	0.023	0.025	0.029	0.073	0.081
	0.01	0.016	0.016	0.022	0.026	0.058	0.048
	0.1	0.010	0.010	0.022	0.026	0.049	0.024
C	0.0001	0.049	0.035	0.037	0.062	0.084	0.088
	0.001	0.042	0.033	0.027	0.056	0.071	0.081
	0.01	0.027	0.027	0.025	0.046	0.051	0.055
	0.1	0.021	0.022	0.025	0.035	0.031	0.017
D	0.0001	0.059	0.063	0.045	0.006	0.084	0.102
	0.001	0.049	0.038	0.036	0.006	0.069	0.079
	0.01	0.042	0.035	0.036	0.004	0.054	0.052
	0.1	0.030	0.027	0.028	0.004	0.023	0.026
E	0.0001	0.157	0.134	0.105	0.143	0.064	0.148
	0.001	0.127	0.112	0.090	0.108	0.056	0.131
	0.01	0.080	0.081	0.053	0.084	0.054	0.107
	0.1	0.042	0.025	0.025	0.032	0.026	0.036
F	0.0001	0.182	0.192	0.162	0.194	0.207	0.114
	0.001	0.170	0.158	0.149	0.162	0.202	0.100
	0.01	0.136	0.099	0.127	0.124	0.155	0.096
	0.1	0.052	0.058	0.039	0.043	0.042	0.030
Legend		> 0.1	> 0.05	> 0.02	> 0.01		



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# Fusion Effect – across E3.x

2-finger fusion significantly reduces FNMR

Table values are the average change in FNMR for each experiment, across all devices

FUSION EFFECT	E31		E32		E33	
	1	3	1	3	1	3
LRI	-6.7%	-5.3%	-7.1%	-5.6%	-6.1%	-4.8%
LIM	-6.2%	-5.1%	-6.7%	-5.6%	-6.1%	-5.1%
RIM	-4.7%	-3.4%	-4.9%	-3.5%	-4.0%	-3.1%
LRT	-7.7%	-6.0%	-5.5%	-5.8%	-6.2%	-5.2%
		AVERAGE	-5.4%			
		AVG 1	-6.0%			
		AVG 3	-4.9%			



# E31: Effects of Fusion and 3-attempts

Ref ↓	Probe →	A-1	A-3	B-1	B-3	D-1	D-3	E-1	E-3	F-1	F-3
FNMR											
<b>A</b>	RIX	<b>0.028</b>	0.026	<b>0.014</b>	0.027	<b>0.079</b>	0.051	<b>0.171</b>	0.110	<b>0.219</b>	0.129
	LRI	0.013	0.014	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.006</b>	0.040	0.034	<b>0.094</b>	<b>0.088</b>	0.133	0.113
	RIM	0.019	0.017	<b>0.007</b>	0.011	0.041	0.034	<b>0.107</b>	<b>0.099</b>	0.130	0.113
<b>B</b>	RIX	<b>0.054</b>	0.054	<b>0.040</b>	0.041	<b>0.107</b>	<b>0.089</b>	<b>0.201</b>	0.134	<b>0.230</b>	0.131
	LRI	0.019	0.016	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.003</b>	0.033	0.026	<b>0.089</b>	<b>0.067</b>	0.112	<b>0.066</b>
	RIM	0.039	0.044	0.036	0.034	<b>0.053</b>	0.050	0.112	<b>0.089</b>	0.142	<b>0.094</b>
<b>D</b>	RIX	<b>0.089</b>	0.099	<b>0.074</b>	0.093	<b>0.019</b>	<b>0.008</b>	<b>0.126</b>	<b>0.090</b>	<b>0.149</b>	0.112
	LRI	0.042	0.053	0.031	0.038	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.053</b>	0.041	<b>0.073</b>	0.045
	RIM	0.038	0.047	0.029	0.046	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.002</b>	<b>0.074</b>	<b>0.055</b>	<b>0.076</b>	<b>0.052</b>
<b>E</b>	RIX	<b>0.169</b>	0.152	<b>0.160</b>	0.166	<b>0.167</b>	0.142	<b>0.022</b>	0.019	<b>0.112</b>	0.078
	LRI	<b>0.089</b>	0.082	0.075	0.100	0.071	0.057	<b>0.007</b>	0.010	0.057	0.036
	RIM	0.101	0.113	0.073	0.096	0.099	0.089	0.011	<b>0.008</b>	0.072	0.052
<b>F</b>	RIX	<b>0.265</b>	0.232	<b>0.248</b>	0.252	<b>0.189</b>	0.144	<b>0.102</b>	0.067	<b>0.026</b>	0.007
	LRI	0.152	0.171	0.121	0.124	0.108	0.081	0.051	0.040	<b>0.005</b>	<b>0.002</b>
	RIM	0.173	0.169	0.158	0.152	0.105	0.083	0.072	0.066	<b>0.008</b>	<b>0.005</b>

- Summary across E31 six datasets, for FNMR (or FRR) at FMR (or FAR) = 0.01; the bold value indicates the single index performance.



# Observations – Testing & Analysis

- Need for quality check during enrollment capture, to better mirror real world practices
- Variability in capture times drives equipment needs
- Analysis method for 3-attempt transaction could be improved (using fixed thresholds rather than max score)



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# Conclusions - Performance

- Standard template performance close to proprietary
- Native performance far better than cross-device
- Interoperability across devices is limited
- Fusion and multi-attempt transactions decrease matching error rates
- FAP 45 conducive to RIM or LIM (efficient simultaneous capture)
- As anticipated, NFIQ for NT devices does not predict matching performance or interoperability



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# Next steps

- for laboratories and testing
- for reusable interoperability testing protocol ??



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# Abbreviation and Terms

FAR	False Accept Rate	LRI	Left-right index fusion
FMR	False Match Rate	NFIQ	NIST Fingerprint Image Quality
FNMR	False Non-Match Rate	NT	Non-traditional
FRR	False Reject Rate	Prop	Proprietary
FTIR	Frustrated Total Internal Reflection	R	Right hand
IRB	Institutional Review Board	REF	Reference
ISO	International Organization for Standardization	RIM	Right index-middle fusion
L	Left hand	RIX	Right index finger
LIM	Left index-middle fusion	Std	ISO Standard
		TG	Template Generator