



How to Evaluate Transformation Based Cancelable Biometric Systems?

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Contributions

- Proposition of evaluation criteria for privacy and security compliance
⇒ extension of NAGAR et al., 2010,
- Illustrations on fingerprints and finger knuckle prints,
- Definition of a Matlab toolbox for the evaluation of BioHashing based cancelable systems



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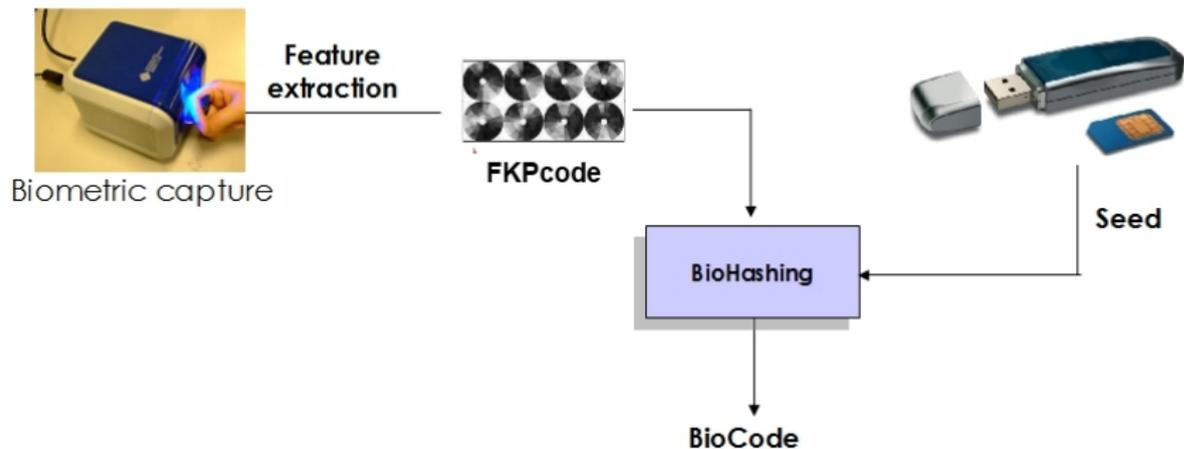
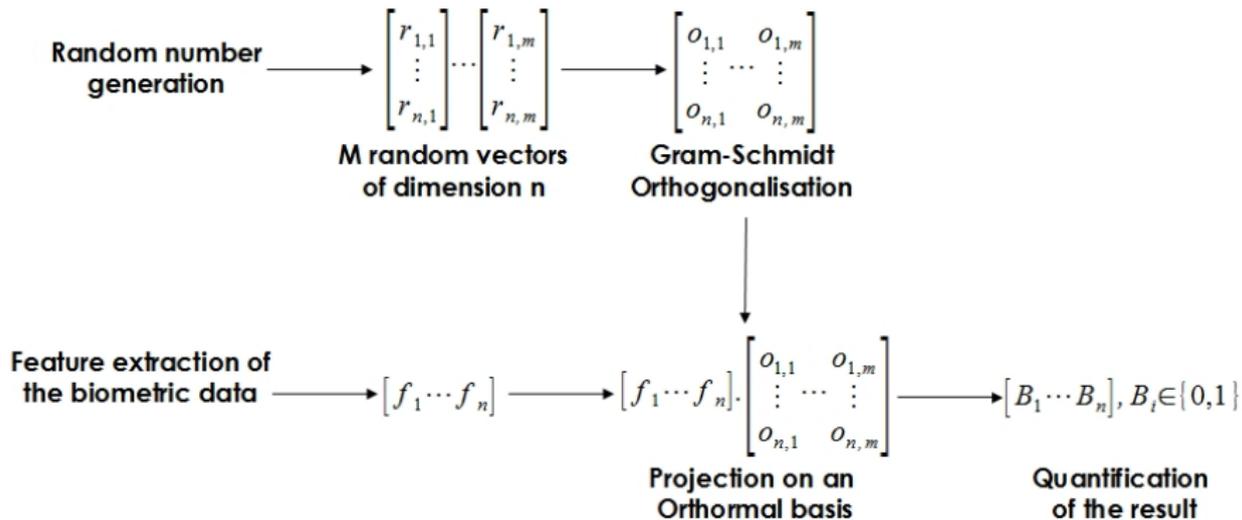


FIGURE 1: General principle of the BioHashing algorithm





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Open questions for an attacker

- Is it possible to generate an admissible BioCode without the seed ?
- Can we predict a BioCode given previous realizations ?
- How different are two BioCodes generated from the same FKPcode ?
⇒ Definition of an evaluation framework.



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 - Notations
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 - Non-invertibility
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Security properties

- **Performance** : the template protection shall not deteriorate the performance of the original biometric system,
- **Revocability or renewability** : it should be possible to revoke a biometric template.
- **Non-invertibility or irreversibility** : from the transformed data, it should not be possible to obtain enough information on the original biometric data to forge a fake biometric template,
- **Diversity or unlinkability** : it should be possible to generate different biocodes for multiple applications, and no information should be deduced from their different realizations.

⇒ Definition of 8 evaluation criteria based on NAGAR et al., 2010



Verification process

$$R_z = 1_{\{D_T(f(b_z, K_z), f(b'_z, K_z)) \leq \epsilon_T\}} \quad (1)$$

Where :

- R_z : decision result for the verification of user z using the cancelable system,
- D_T : distance function in the transformed domain,
- f : the feature transformation function,
- b_z, b'_z represent the template and query biometric features of user z ,
- K_z : set of transformation parameters,
- ϵ_T : decision threshold.



A_1 evaluation criterion

$$A_1 = 1 - \frac{\text{AUC}(\text{FAR}_T, \text{FRR}_T)}{\text{AUC}(\text{FAR}_O, \text{FRR}_O)} \quad (2)$$

where :

- AUC : area under the ROC curve,
- FRR_O is the false reject rate and FAR_O is the false accept rate of the **original biometric system** (without any template protection),
- FRR_T is the false reject rate and FAR_T is the false accept rate of the **cancelable biometric system** (with template protection).

if $A_1 > 0$, the protection of the template improves the performance.



A_2 to A_5 evaluation criteria

$$FAR_A(\epsilon_T) = P(D_T(f(b_z, K_z), A_z) \leq \epsilon_T) \quad (3)$$

Where :

- $FAR_A(\epsilon_T)$: probability of a successful attack by the impostor for the threshold ϵ_T .
- A_z : generated biocode by the impostor with different methods,
- We can consider $\epsilon_T = \epsilon_{EER_T}$ (ϵ_{EER_T} : threshold to have the EER functioning point of the cancelable biometric system).



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- *Stolen biometric data attack* (A_5) :
An impostor knows b'_z and tries different random numbers K to generate : $A_z = f(b'_z, K)$.



A_6 evaluation criterion

$$A_6 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_z \sum_{j=1}^M \max(I(f(b_z, K_z), f(b_z^j, K_z)))$$

$$I(X, Y) = \sum_x \sum_y P(x, y) \log\left(\frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)P(y)}\right)$$

Where :

- b_z : denotes the reference of the individual z in the database,
- b_z^j : denotes the j^{th} test data of the individual z in the database,
- N : the number of individuals in the database,
- M : the number of generated biocodes for each individual,
- P : the estimation of the probability.



A_7 to A_8 evaluation criteria

For each template of the genuine user :

- Generation of Q biocodes $B_z = \{f(b_z, K_z^1), \dots, f(b_z, K_z^Q)\}$ for user z ,
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Summary

The security and robustness of a cancelable biometric system are characterized by an eight-dimensional vector $(A_i, i = 1, \dots, 8)$



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Feature computation

Gabor descriptors

Size : 128 parameters (16 scales, 8 orientations)

Computation : single enrolment, Hamming distance verification



Robustness to attacks : fingerprint case

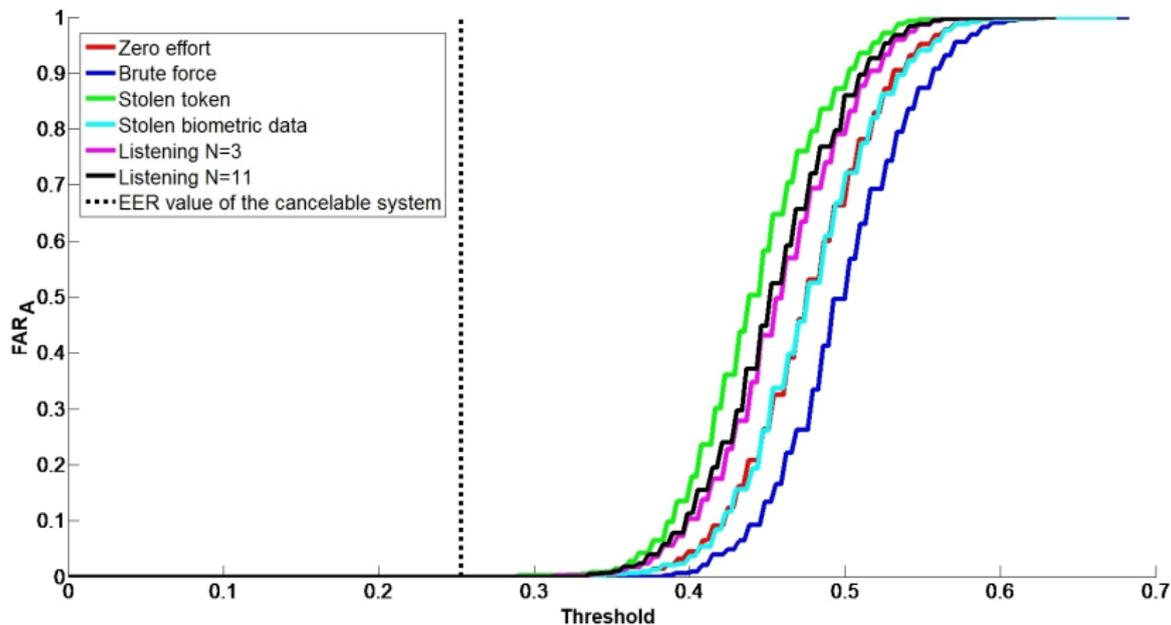


FIGURE 2: Analysis on fingerprints (FVC 2002)

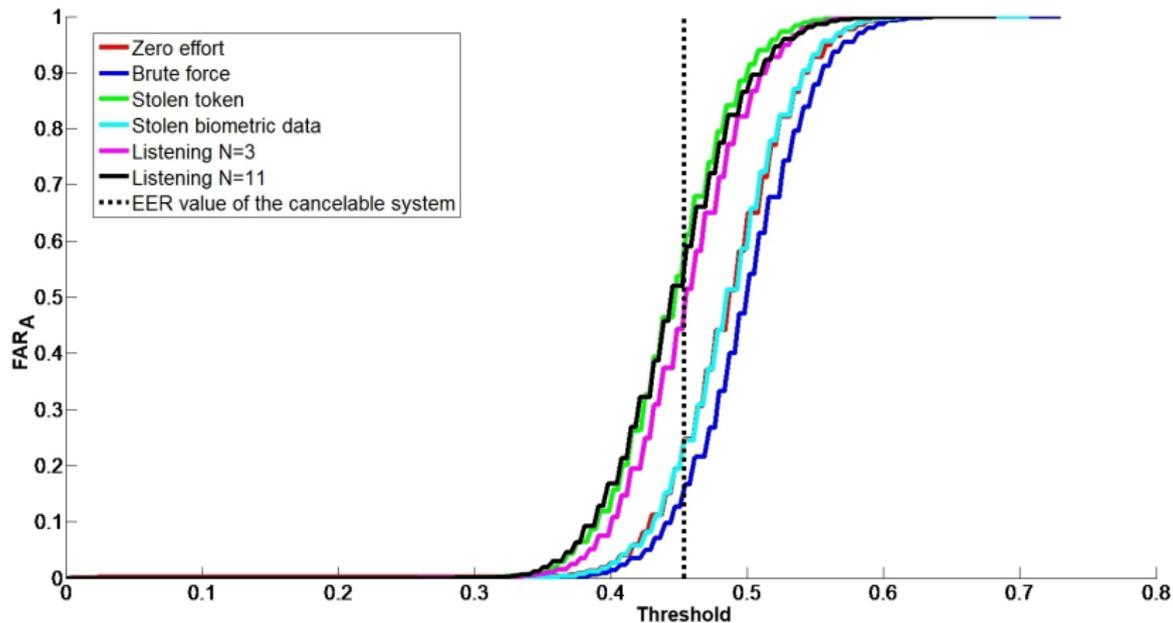


FIGURE 3: Analysis on finger knuckle prints (POLY FKP)



Synthesis

- Evaluation is done on a functioning point,
- The more *a priori* information the attacker knows, the more the attack is efficient,
- It is possible to compare attacks (same algorithm and biometric data).

Modalities	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5	A_6	A_7	A_8
Fingerprint	1.0	0	0	0	0	0.44	0	0
FKP	0.10	0.25	0.15	0.54	0.25	0.58	0.51	0.59

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Perspectives

- More complex attacks
 - ⇒ generation of the biocode based on the listening attack
 - ⇒ impact of the random generator



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