

Body Movements for Affective Expression: A Survey of Automatic Recognition and Generation

- SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL -

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1 MOVEMENT NOTATION SYSTEMS

Table 1 summarizes the characteristics of the prominent structural notation systems in terms of the evaluation criteria discussed in Section 3.2 of the survey and their application in computational recognition and generation of affect-expressive movements to date.

	Birdwhistell	Laban	Delsarte	BAP
Universality	✓	✓	✓	-
Movement analysis (anatomically and physiologically-based)	✓	✓	-	✓
Versatility	✓	✓	✓	✓
Flexibility in application	✓	✓	✓	✓
Visuality ^a	✓	✓		✓
Logicity	✓	✓		✓
Legibility	✓	✓	✓	✓
Practicability ^a	✓	✓	✓	✓
Coder's perceptual inference is not needed	-	✓	-	-
Codes the meaning/function	✓	-	✓	✓
Codes intensity	✓	✓	✓	-
Detection and recognition applications	[1]	[2], [3], [4] [5], [6]	-	[7] [8]
Generation applications	-	[9], [10], [11] [12], [13], [14]	[15] [16]	-

TABLE 1: Prominent structural notation systems

a) The application of Birdwhistell, Laban, and Delsarte notation systems should be conducted in consultation with experts in the corresponding systems.

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2 DATABASES

Body movement recordings in the form of video or marker-based motion capture databases are used by researchers working on developing automatic recognition and generation systems for affect-expressive movements. Affect-expressive movements are either *acted*, *elicited* (e.g., self-induction by recalling an emotional experience), or *natural*, where the latter is preferable but often not accessible in experiments. Affect-expressive movements demonstrated by professional actors might be more expressive as compared to naive demonstrators [17]. Although no significant differences between recorded motions of lay-actors (two years of amateur acting experience) and novices was found in [18], the lay-actors reported less inhibition during the recording of affect-expressive movements than did the novices. Table 2 lists the publicly available affect-expressive movement databases.

Dataset	Demonstrators	Movements	Category	Affective states	Labeling	Samples	Data
Atkinson <i>et al.</i> [19],[20]	10 actors	Acted full body movements	Communicative	Anger, sadness, happiness, disgust, fear, surprise	Intended emotions	180	FL & PL ^a videos
Cam3D [21]	7 non-actors	Elicited hand gestures and facial expressions	Communicative	Cognitive states: thinking, concentrating, unsure, confused and triumphant. Affective states: anger, surprise, frustration, boredom, neutral	81 observers	108	Video
EIMOCAP [22]	10 actors	Scenario-based and elicited hand gestures and facial expressions	Communicative	Anger, happiness, sadness, surprise, frustration, disgust, fear, excitement	Demonstrators' self-assessment ^b , 8 observers	10039	Motion capture
FABO [23]	23 non-actors	Natural scenario-based upper body movements and facial expressions	Communicative	Anger, surprise, fear, happiness, anxiety, disgust, boredom, sadness, uncertainty, neutral	Intended emotions, demonstrators' self-assessment, 6 observers	1900	Video
GEMEP core set [24]	10 actors	Acted scenario-based full body movements	Communicative	Admiration, Amusement, Extreme displeasure, Tenderness, Disgust, Despair, Pride, Shame, Anxiety, Interest, Irritation, Joy, Contempt, Panic, Pleasure, Relief, Surprise, Sadness	Intended emotions, 57 observers	145	Video
Pollick <i>et al.</i> [25]	30 non-actors	Scenario-based (scripted) walking, knocking, lifting, throwing	Functional	Anger, happiness, neutral, sadness	Intended emotions	4080	Motion capture
UCLIC [26]	13 non-actors	Acted full body movements	Communicative	Anger, fear, happiness, sadness	Intended emotions	183	Motion capture
UCLIC [27]	11 non-actors	Non-acted full body movements	Communicative	Unlabeled	-	36	Motion capture

TABLE 2: Available affect-expressive movement databases.

a) FL: Full-light, PL: Point-light. b) Demonstrators' self assessment is available for the elicited affective states.

3 PERFORMANCE OF AUTOMATIC RECOGNITION

Studies on the automatic recognition of affective states differ in the type of sensors recording the movement, affect-expressive movements, affective categories investigated, the type of affective expression (acted, elicited, or natural), feature selection, and classification. Hence, results of different studies often cannot be directly compared. Two general conclusions can be drawn across the different studies:

- Considering an individual study, the recognition rate is higher for person-dependent than for person-independent training of a classifier. But, differences in the design of the study, e.g., type of sensor, affect-expressive movement, or affective categories, can influence reported recognition rates more than person-dependent or person-independent training, see Tab. 3.
- When the number of affective categories increases, it may become more difficult to distinguish between the categories. Only a small number of studies have investigated more than 4 affective categories, see Tab. 3.

When a dimensional representation of affective states is used, each dimension can be discretized enabling the use of a classification approach. Alternatively, a regression technique can be applied to each dimension providing a continuous measure. Several performance measures can be applied such as recognition rate, correlation index (R), mean squared error (MSE), or root mean squared error (RMSE). Besides the differences between the studies

Study	Year	Movement	Affective States	Feature Extraction	Classifier	Recog. Rate
Amelynck <i>et al.</i> [28]	2012	Arm motion	Pleasure, arousal	Correlation Index	Linear regression	Pleasure: $R = .37$ Arousal: $R = .73$
Bernhardt <i>et al.</i> [29]	2007	Knocking [25]	Neutral, happy, angry, sad	5 selected features	SVM	50%, 81%*
Camurri <i>et al.</i> [6]	2004	Choreographed full body dance	Anger, fear, grief, joy	Amount and quality of movement	Decision tree	40%
Castellano <i>et al.</i> [30]	2007	Raising and lowering arms	Angry, joyful, pleasant, sad; 8 emotions: and desperate, interested, irritated, prideful	Correlation based FS, wrapper FS	DTW, NN, J48, HNB	4 emotions: 63%, 66%*, 8 emotions: 41%, 47%*
D'Mello and Graesser [31]	2009	Sitting posture	Boredom, confusion, delight, flow, frustration	112 selected features	Bayesian, SVM, kNN, trees, ...	39%
De Silva <i>et al.</i> [32]	2006	Gestures	Sad, frustrated, joyful, happy	Key-Points	HMM	79%
Gunes <i>et al.</i> [33]	2009	Gesture (upper body)	12 affective states	PCA	BayesNet, SVM, Random forest, Adaboost, HMM	77%
Gunes & Pantic [34]	2010	Head Gestures	1)Pleasure, 2)Arousal, 3)Expectation, 4)Intensity, 5)Power	Head angle	HMM, SVR	1)MSE=.15*, .06*, .10* 2)MSE=.13*, .07*, .06* 3)MSE=.13*, .11*, .09* 4)MSE=.10*, .05*, .09* 5)MSE=.14*, .12*, .12*
Janssen <i>et al.</i> [35]	2008	Gait	Neutral, happy, sad, angry Calm, excited, neutral	200 features 368 features	ANN ANN	84%* 79%*
Karg <i>et al.</i> [36]	2010	Gait	Neutral, happy, sad, angry	PCA,LDA	SVM, NN, NB	69%, 95%*
Karg <i>et al.</i> [36]	2010	Gait	Valence, arousal, dominance	PCA, LDA	NN	Valence: 88%*, Arousal: 97%*, Dominance: 96%*
Kapur <i>et al.</i> [37]	2005	Gestures	Sad, joy, anger, fear	8 selected features	Logistic regression, SVM, J48, NB, ANN	85%, 93%*
Kessous <i>et al.</i> [38]	2010	Gestures & Body Movement	Anger, despair, interest, pleasure, sadness, irritation, joy, pride	Software EyesWeb[39]	Bayesian classifier	67%
Nicolaou <i>et al.</i> [40]	2011	Shoulder	Valence, arousal (continuous)	5 points on shoulder and torso	SVR, BLSTM-NN	RMSE for valence: 0.21* RMSE for arousal: 0.29*
Park <i>et al.</i> [5]	2004	Non-choreographed full body dance	Happy, surprised, angry, sad	SVD	MLP	73%
Samadani <i>et al</i> [41]	2013	Hand Movement	Angry, sad, happy	Functional SPCA	NN	97%*
Samadani <i>et al</i> [41]	2013	Full-body movement	Angry, sad, happy, fearful	Functional SPCA	NN	54%*
Savva <i>et al.</i> [42]	2012	Full-body movement	Frustration, anger, happiness, concentration, surprise, sadness, boredom, relief	Dynamic features	Recurrent Neural Network	55%, 61%*
Sawada <i>et al.</i> [43]	2003	Arm movement	Joy, sadness, anger	3 selected features	Discriminant analysis	78%
Shan <i>et al.</i> [44]	2007	Arm gestures	7 emotions	PCA	SVM, NN	73%*

TABLE 3: Recognition of affective expressions from body movements (* indicates person-dependent rates).

summarized in the paragraph above, studies using a dimensional representation differ further in the quantization of each dimension and the evaluation criterion, so that results are not directly comparable.

Different techniques can be used for feature extraction, feature selection (FS) and classification. Common dimensionality reduction methods are principal component analysis (PCA), functional supervised PCA (SPCA) linear discriminant analysis (LDA), and singular value decomposition (SVD). For classification, nearest neighbor (NN), dynamic time warping (DTW), decision trees (J48), Naive Bayes (NB), Hidden Naive Bayes (HNB), support vector machines (SVM), artificial neural networks (ANN), and multi-layer perceptrons (MLP) can be used. For regression, only a small number of techniques are used such as regression, support vector regression (SVR), and bidirectional Long Short-Term Memory neural networks (BLSTM-NN).

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