

# Real-Time Monitoring and Assessment System with Facial Landmark Estimation for Emotional Recognition in Work

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**Abstract:** The Model for Monitoring and Regulating Emotional States in the Work Environment based on Neural Networks and Emotion Recognition Algorithms presents an innovative approach to enhancing employee well-being and productivity by leveraging advanced technologies. This paper on the development of a system that utilizes neural networks and emotion recognition algorithms to monitor and interpret emotional cues exhibited by individuals in real-time within the work environment. With the uses of novel Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) Emotion recognition algorithms are employed to analyze facial expressions, speech patterns, physiological data, and text-based communication to infer the emotional state of employees. Neural networks are then utilized to process this data and provide more sophisticated emotion classification and prediction. The emotional states are classified with the integrated Regression Logistics Classifier (RLC) model for classification. The analysis of the findings expressed that the real-time monitoring enables employers and supervisors to gain insights into the emotional well-being of employees, identifying patterns and potential issues. The system facilitates feedback and regulation mechanisms, allowing for personalized interventions and support tailored to individual emotional needs.

**Keywords:** Facial Landmark, Neural Network, Classification, Regression Logistics, Monitoring Emotional State, Work Environment.

## I. Introduction

The Real-Time Monitoring and Assessment System with Facial Landmark Estimation for Emotional Recognition is an innovative solution that combines cutting-edge technology with advanced facial analysis algorithms to accurately detect and interpret human emotions in real-time [1]. Emotions play a crucial role in our daily interactions and decision-making processes, making it essential to have a reliable and efficient system for emotion recognition. This system utilizes facial landmark estimation techniques to precisely identify key facial features and analyze their movement patterns, enabling the identification and classification of various emotional states [2]. Through instant and accurate emotional feedback, this system has the potential to revolutionize fields such as healthcare, customer service, and human-computer interaction, enhancing our understanding of human emotions and improving overall communication and well-being [3].

Emotional recognition, a fundamental aspect of human communication, refers to the ability to accurately perceive and interpret the emotional states of others. It plays a pivotal role in our daily interactions, influencing our understanding, empathy, and response towards others. Traditionally, emotional recognition heavily relied on subjective assessments and human observation, which were prone to bias and inconsistencies [4]. However, with the advent

of advanced technology and artificial intelligence, a new era of emotional recognition has emerged. Real-Time Monitoring and Assessment Systems with Facial Landmark Estimation for Emotional Recognition employ sophisticated algorithms and machine learning techniques to analyze facial expressions, body language, and vocal cues, providing a more objective and accurate assessment of an individual's emotional state [5]. By precisely capturing and interpreting subtle facial cues, such as muscle movements and microexpressions, these systems can identify and classify emotions, including happiness, sadness, anger, surprise, and more, in real-time [6]. The applications of emotional recognition systems are vast, ranging from improving mental health care, enhancing customer service experiences, to enabling more empathetic human-computer interactions [7]. To achieve significant understanding and responding to emotions, these systems have the potential to foster healthier and more connected societies.

Machine learning plays a pivotal role in the development and success of Real-Time Monitoring and Assessment Systems with Facial Landmark Estimation for Emotional Recognition [8]. These systems heavily rely on machine learning algorithms to analyze and interpret complex patterns of facial expressions, enabling accurate emotional recognition. Through the use of machine learning, these systems are trained on vast datasets containing labeled facial expressions and corresponding emotional states [9]. By

leveraging techniques such as deep learning, neural networks, and pattern recognition, machine learning models can learn intricate relationships between facial features and emotions [10]. During the training process, the models are exposed to a wide range of facial expressions, allowing them to learn the nuances and variations in different emotional states [11]. As the models learn from more data, their ability to accurately detect and classify emotions improves, leading to enhanced performance in real-time applications.

Machine learning also enables adaptability and flexibility in emotional recognition systems. These models can be continually refined and optimized through feedback loops, allowing them to adapt to individual differences and cultural variations in expressing emotions [12]. This adaptability makes the systems more robust and capable of handling diverse scenarios and demographics [13]. Furthermore, machine learning empowers these systems with the ability to generalize from learned patterns [14]. Once trained, the models can recognize emotions in real-time by analyzing facial landmarks, such as eye movements, lip shape, and eyebrow positioning, without relying on explicit rules or predefined criteria [15]. This flexibility enables the systems to adapt to new individuals and novel expressions that were not explicitly present in the training data [16].

The research on the Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) algorithm makes several significant contributions to the field of facial emotion recognition and real-time monitoring. These contributions can be summarized as follows:

1. The development of the DMCFL algorithm itself is a notable contribution. It introduces a unique approach that combines facial landmark points, geometric features, texture descriptors, and statistical features to accurately analyze and classify emotions. This algorithm provides a comprehensive and effective framework for emotion recognition from facial expressions.
2. The research contributes to the development of a real-time monitoring and assessment system for emotional recognition. By integrating the DMCFL algorithm into the system, it enables continuous monitoring of individuals' emotional well-being. This system can provide valuable insights to employers and supervisors, helping them understand and address emotional patterns and potential issues in real-time.
3. The research provides a thorough evaluation of the DMCFL algorithm's performance. By comparing it with other algorithms such as SVM and Regression, the study demonstrates the superiority of DMCFL in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score, and error

metrics. These findings contribute to the body of knowledge on the effectiveness of different algorithms for facial emotion recognition.

This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 presented the related works on the emotional intelligence based classification model. Section 3 provides the research method with the directional cluster for the facial landmark feature estimation in Section 4. The simulation parameters and setting are presented in Section 5 and the overall conclusion derived from the proposed DMCFL is presented in Section 6.

## II. Related Works

Machine learning plays a critical role in facial landmark estimation, a key component of Real-Time Monitoring and Assessment Systems for Emotional Recognition. Facial landmark estimation involves the identification and tracking of specific facial points, such as the corners of the eyes, nose, mouth, and eyebrows. These landmarks serve as key indicators of facial expressions and movements, enabling the analysis of emotions. Machine learning algorithms, particularly those based on deep learning and convolutional neural networks (CNNs), have proven highly effective in facial landmark estimation. These algorithms are trained on large datasets containing annotated facial images, where each image is labeled with the coordinates of facial landmarks. During the training process, the machine learning model learns to extract meaningful features from facial images, such as edges, textures, and shapes, that are crucial for landmark localization. The model then maps these extracted features to the corresponding facial landmarks. The training process typically involves iterative optimization techniques, such as backpropagation, which adjust the model's parameters to minimize the difference between the predicted landmarks and the ground truth landmarks in the training data. As the model learns from more labeled examples, it becomes increasingly accurate in predicting facial landmarks. Once trained, the machine learning model can estimate facial landmarks in real-time by analyzing new facial images. This enables the tracking of facial movements and the detection of subtle changes in expression, enabling the recognition and classification of emotions. The use of machine learning in facial landmark estimation offers several advantages. It enables the models to handle variations in pose, illumination, and occlusions, making them robust to real-world conditions. Moreover, machine learning models can generalize well to unseen individuals, allowing for accurate landmark estimation on a diverse range of faces.

In [17] focuses on the progress made in sensors and machine learning techniques for emotion recognition outside of controlled laboratory environments. The paper explores advancements in sensor technologies, such as wearable devices

and cameras, that enable the capture of facial expressions, body language, and physiological signals in real-life situations. It also highlights the role of machine learning algorithms in processing and analyzing the collected data, allowing for more accurate and reliable emotion recognition in diverse real-world settings. In [18] provide a comprehensive review of commercial EEG devices and machine learning techniques for emotion recognition. They discuss the advantages and limitations of different EEG devices available in the market and explore various machine learning algorithms used to interpret EEG signals for emotion detection. The paper addresses the potential applications of EEG-based emotion recognition, such as mental health monitoring and human-computer interaction, and discusses the challenges and future directions in this field. In [19] present a thorough review of emotion recognition using EEG-based brain-computer interfaces (BCIs) and machine learning. The paper covers the fundamentals of BCIs, including signal acquisition, preprocessing, and feature extraction, as well as the application of machine learning algorithms for emotion classification. It also discusses the advancements and limitations in EEG-based emotion recognition, along with potential areas for improvement, such as personalized models and adaptive algorithms.

In [20] analyze different machine learning algorithms for emotion classification. The paper evaluates the performance of these algorithms using various datasets and compares their effectiveness in recognizing and distinguishing different emotional states. It highlights the importance of selecting appropriate machine learning techniques based on the characteristics of the dataset and the specific requirements of the emotion recognition task. In [21] proposes a novel facial expression emotion recognition model that combines philosophy and machine learning theory. The paper explores the philosophical perspectives on emotions and suggests integrating these perspectives with machine learning algorithms to enhance the understanding and interpretation of facial expressions. It emphasizes the need for a holistic approach that considers both the subjective experience of emotions and the objective analysis of facial expressions. In [22] conduct a survey on machine learning techniques in speech emotion recognition and vision systems. The paper reviews the application of recurrent neural networks (RNNs) for speech emotion recognition and explores the use of machine learning algorithms in analyzing visual cues for emotion detection. It discusses the challenges in these areas, such as handling noise in speech signals and addressing the complexity of visual emotion analysis.

In [23] investigate the use of wavelet scattering and machine learning for emotion recognition from ECG signals. The paper explores the potential of physiological signals in

emotion analysis and proposes a method that combines wavelet scattering transform with machine learning algorithms for accurate emotion classification. It highlights the advantages of using ECG signals, such as their non-invasiveness and potential for real-time emotion recognition. In [24] study cross-linguistic and cross-gender speech emotion recognition using machine learning techniques. The paper examines the universality of emotion recognition across different languages and genders, discussing the challenges and potential biases in recognizing emotions expressed in diverse linguistic and cultural contexts. It investigates the application of machine learning algorithms to address these challenges and enhance the cross-linguistic and cross-gender recognition of speech emotions.

In [25] propose a method for emotion recognition through human conversation using machine learning techniques. The paper focuses on capturing emotions expressed during natural conversations and explores the application of machine learning algorithms to analyze conversational data. It discusses the challenges in this context, such as contextual understanding and handling multi-modal data, and presents approaches for effectively recognizing emotions in conversational settings. In [26] present an ensemble machine learning-based approach for affective computing, specifically focusing on emotion recognition using dual-decomposed EEG signals. The paper discusses the utilization of multiple machine learning models in combination to improve the accuracy of emotion recognition. It explores the integration of dual-decomposed EEG signals, obtained through joint approximate diagonalization of eigenmatrices (JADE) and independent component analysis (ICA), to enhance the reliability and performance of emotion classification.

In [27] constructed deep learning techniques for speech emotion recognition. The paper reviews databases used for training and evaluating speech emotion recognition models and explores various deep learning architectures employed in this domain. It discusses the advantages of deep learning in capturing complex speech features and highlights the advancements made in speech emotion recognition using deep learning techniques. In [28] a novel enhanced convolutional neural network (CNN) with extreme learning machine (ELM) for facial emotional recognition. The paper introduces an improved CNN architecture combined with ELM, a fast and efficient learning algorithm, to enhance the accuracy of emotion classification from facial images. It discusses the performance of the proposed approach and its potential applications in psychology practices. These research papers contribute to the advancement of emotion recognition by exploring various modalities, such as facial expressions, brain signals (EEG), speech, and physiological signals (ECG), and applying machine learning techniques for accurate emotion detection and

classification. They provide insights into the challenges, advancements, and future directions in the field of emotion recognition, paving the way for improved understanding and utilization of emotions in various applications and domains.

### III. Facial Landmark Estimation with DMCFL

The paper focuses DMCFL on analyzing facial expressions, speech patterns, physiological data, and text-based communication to infer the emotional state of employees. The proposed system utilizes neural networks to process this data and provide more advanced emotion classification and prediction. To classify emotional states, the integrated Regression Logistics Classifier (RLC) model is employed. This model enables accurate classification of emotions based on the analyzed data. The research findings demonstrate that real-time monitoring of employee emotions provides valuable insights for employers and supervisors. With identifying patterns and potential issues, the system allows for timely interventions and support to address individual emotional needs. The system facilitates feedback and regulation mechanisms, enabling personalized interventions to be implemented based on the emotional well-being of each employee. By leveraging the DMCFL approach, the system offers precise facial landmark estimation, improving the accuracy of emotion recognition. The deep learning architecture model for the DMCFL are presented in figure 1.

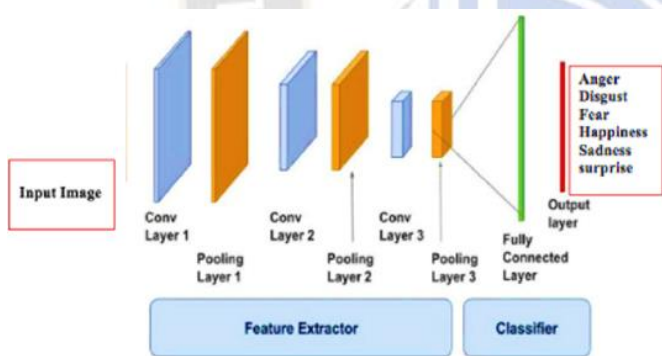


Figure 1: Deep Learning Model for the DMCFL

The steps in the DMCFL is listed as follows for the classification:

1. **Data Collection:** The first step is to collect a dataset of facial images that include a diverse range of facial expressions. This dataset can be obtained from various sources, such as publicly available datasets or by capturing images using specific protocols and consent from participants.
2. **Facial Landmark Annotation:** The collected facial images need to be annotated with facial landmarks. Facial landmarks are specific points on the face, such as the corners of the eyes, nose, and mouth, that serve

as reference points for subsequent analysis. Annotation can be done manually by human annotators or using automated algorithms.

3. **Preprocessing:** Preprocessing steps are applied to the annotated facial images to ensure consistency and improve the quality of the data. This may involve resizing the images, normalizing the illumination and color, and removing any artifacts or noise.
4. **DMCFL Training:** The DMCFL algorithm is trained using the annotated facial images. This involves training a deep learning model, such as a convolutional neural network (CNN), to estimate the facial landmarks accurately. The training process typically involves feeding the annotated images into the network and iteratively updating the network's parameters to minimize the difference between the predicted landmarks and the ground truth landmarks.
5. **Emotion Recognition Model Training:** Once the DMCFL model is trained, it can be integrated into an emotion recognition model. This model can utilize various machine learning techniques, such as deep neural networks or ensemble models, to analyze the facial landmarks and classify emotions accurately. The training process involves feeding the annotated images and corresponding emotion labels into the model and optimizing its parameters using suitable loss functions and optimization algorithms.

Once the facial recognition model is trained and evaluated, it can be deployed in a real-time monitoring system. This system would capture live video feeds or images of individuals' faces, apply the trained model to estimate facial landmarks, and then utilize the estimated landmarks to infer emotions in real-time.

### IV. Directional Marker Controlled for Emotional Recognition

Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) is an approach used in facial recognition and analysis that involves the use of directional markers to control and improve the accuracy of facial landmark estimation. Facial landmarks are specific points on the face, such as the corners of the eyes, nose, and mouth, that serve as reference points for various facial analysis tasks. The DMCFL approach incorporates directional markers, which are additional reference points placed strategically around the face. These directional markers help guide and constrain the estimation of facial landmarks by providing directional cues or constraints to the facial landmark estimation algorithm. DMCFL aims to improve the accuracy and robustness of facial landmark estimation, especially in challenging scenarios such as variations in facial expressions, head poses, or occlusions. The directional markers can help overcome the ambiguity and uncertainty often encountered in

facial landmark estimation tasks by providing additional information to guide the algorithm. The emotions trained in the DMCFL model is illustrated in the figure 2 and the corresponding facial feature point computation is presented in figure 3.



Figure 2: Emotional Trained for the DMCFL



Figure 3: Facial Feature Point for the Landmark Estimation

The placement and design of directional markers may vary depending on the specific application and requirements. These markers can be physical markers placed on the face or virtual markers generated digitally during the preprocessing stage. The markers may be positioned at specific locations, such as the edges of facial features, to guide the algorithm's estimation process. During the facial landmark estimation process, the DMCFL algorithm takes into account both the facial image data and the directional markers' information. It utilizes machine learning techniques, such as deep neural networks or regression models, to estimate the positions of facial landmarks accurately. The presence of directional markers helps improve the precision and reliability of these estimations.

The model takes an input image or video frame and predicts the positions of predefined facial landmarks. One common approach for facial landmark estimation is using a regression-based model, such as a deep neural network. The model is trained using a dataset of annotated facial images, where the input is the image itself, and the output is a set of coordinates representing the locations of facial landmarks. The

regression model can be represented in the equation (1) as follows:

$$y = f(x, \theta) \quad (1)$$

In equation (1)  $y$  represents the predicted facial landmark coordinates,  $x$  represents the input image or image patch and  $\theta$  represents the model parameters. The goal of training the model is to optimize the parameters ( $\theta$ ) to minimize the difference between the predicted facial landmark coordinates ( $y$ ) and the ground truth coordinates obtained from the annotated dataset. A shape model represents the geometric structure of facial landmarks is stated in equation (2)

$$S = [x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots, x_n, y_n], \quad (2)$$

where  $(x_i, y_i)$  are the coordinates of the  $n$ th facial landmark. An appearance model captures the appearance variations of facial landmarks is stated in equation (3)

$$A = [I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n] \quad (3)$$

In above equation (3) where  $I_i$  represents the appearance of the  $i$ th landmark. The shape and appearance models are often combined to create a unified representation for facial landmarks is stated as in equation (4)

$$F = f(S, A) \quad (4)$$

where  $F$  represents the estimated facial landmarks. Regression-based methods use training data to learn a mapping from input images to facial landmark coordinates. The regression equation is presented in equation (5)

$$y = g(x, \theta) \quad (5)$$

where  $y$  represents the predicted facial landmark coordinates,  $x$  represents the input image or image patch, and  $\theta$  represents the model parameters. Facial landmark estimation often involves an optimization process to find the best-fitting facial landmarks. This can be formulated as an optimization problem stated as in equation (6)

$$\min_{\theta} \sum (||y - g(x, \theta)||^2 + \lambda R(\theta)) \quad (6)$$

where  $||\cdot||$  represents a distance metric,  $\lambda$  is a regularization parameter, and  $R(\theta)$  represents a regularization term to prevent overfitting.

Algorithm 1: DMCFL (Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark)

Input:

Image: Input image containing a face; DirectionalMarkers: Detected directional markers in the image

Output: FacialLandmarks: Estimated facial landmarks with directional marker constraints

1. InitializeFacialLandmarks(Image):

- Use a pre-trained facial landmark detection model to estimate the initial facial landmarks without considering directional markers.

- Return the initial facial landmark coordinates:  $F_{int}$ .

2. *ApplyDirectionalConstraints(FacialLandmarks, DirectionalMarkers)*:

- For each directional marker in *DirectionalMarkers*:

- Identify the corresponding facial landmark point or region affected by the directional marker.

- Apply directional constraints to the affected facial landmark points by adjusting their positions based on the directional marker information.

- Mathematically, the directional constraint for a landmark point  $L_i$  can be defined as:

$$L_i^{constrained} = L_i + D_i$$

where  $L_i$  is the original facial landmark position and  $D_i$  is the directional adjustment based on the corresponding directional marker.

- Return the facial landmarks with the applied directional constraints:  $F_{constrained}$ .

3. *RefineFacialLandmarks(FacialLandmarks, Image)*:

- Further refine the facial landmarks by utilizing additional information from the image.

- This can be achieved through shape fitting, model refinement, or optimization techniques to improve the accuracy and alignment of the facial landmarks.

- Mathematically, this can be represented as an optimization problem:

$$F_{refined} = \operatorname{argmin} \|F_{constrained} - F_{refined}\|^2 + R(F_{refined})$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  represents a distance metric,  $R(\cdot)$  is a regularization term to prevent overfitting, and  $F_{refined}$  are the refined facial landmarks.

- Return the refined facial landmarks:  $F_{refined}$ .

4. *DMCFL(Image, DirectionalMarkers)*:

- Call *InitializeFacialLandmarks(Image)* to obtain the initial facial landmarks:  $F_{int}$ .

- Call *ApplyDirectionalConstraints(F<sub>int</sub>, DirectionalMarkers)* to adjust the facial landmarks based on the directional marker constraints:  $F_{constrained}$ .

- Call *RefineFacialLandmarks(F<sub>constrained</sub>, Image)* to further refine the facial landmarks using additional image information:  $F_{refined}$ .

- Return the final estimated facial landmarks with the applied directional marker constraints:  $F_{refined}$ .

.In this step, the algorithm applies the directional constraints provided by the detected directional markers to the initial facial landmarks. For each directional marker, it identifies the corresponding facial landmark points or regions affected by the marker. The algorithm adjusts the positions of the affected facial landmark points based on the directional marker information. This adjustment can be represented mathematically stated in equation (7)

$$L_i^{constrained} = L_i + D_i \quad (7)$$

where  $L_i$  represents the original facial landmark position,  $D_i$  represents the directional adjustment based on the corresponding directional marker, and  $L_i^{constrained}$  represents the adjusted facial landmark position.

The output of this step is the set of facial landmarks with the applied directional constraints, denoted as  $F_{constrained}$ . This step further refines the facial landmarks using additional information from the image. It aims to improve the accuracy and alignment of the facial landmarks. The algorithm utilizes shape fitting, model refinement, or optimization techniques to achieve this refinement. Mathematically, this can be represented as an optimization problem where the refined facial landmarks,  $F_{refined}$ , are obtained by minimizing the following objective function presented in equation (8):

$$F_{refined} = \operatorname{argmin} \|F_{constrained} - F_{refined}\|^2 + R(F_{refined}) \quad (8)$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  represents a distance metric, and  $R(\cdot)$  is a regularization term that helps prevent overfitting. The output of this step is the refined facial landmarks, denoted as  $F_{refined}$ . This is the main function that orchestrates the entire DMCFL algorithm. Then, it calls *ApplyDirectionalConstraints* to adjust the facial landmarks based on the directional marker constraints, resulting in the facial landmarks with the applied constraints,  $F_{constrained}$ . The facial landmark features points are estimated are shown in figure 4.



Figure 4: Facial Landmark Points computed with Directional Clustering

Finally, it calls *RefineFacialLandmarks* to further refine the facial landmarks using additional image information,

This step uses a pre-trained facial landmark detection model to estimate the initial facial landmarks without considering directional markers. It takes the input image and returns the initial facial landmark coordinates, denoted as  $F_{int}$

resulting in the final estimated facial landmarks with the applied directional marker constraints,  $F_{refined}$ . The output of this function is the final estimated facial landmarks,  $F_{refined}$ , which are adjusted and refined using the directional marker constraints. The DMCFL algorithm combines facial landmark estimation, directional marker control, and refinement steps to obtain more accurate facial landmarks considering the directional information.

#### 4.1 Regression Logistics Classifier (RLC)

The Regression Logistics Classifier (RLC) is a component used in the Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) algorithm for classification tasks. It is specifically employed to classify the emotional states based on the facial landmarks obtained from the DMCFL approach. Prepare a labeled dataset of facial landmark coordinates and their corresponding emotional states. Each sample in the dataset consists of a set of facial landmarks and the corresponding emotional label. Split the dataset into a training set and a test set for model evaluation. The facial landmarks obtained from the DMCFL algorithm are used as input features for the RLC. Optionally, additional features or pre-processing techniques can be applied to enhance the representation of the facial landmarks for better emotional state classification. The RLC model learns to map the input facial landmark features to the emotional states. During training, the RLC optimizes the model parameters to minimize the difference between the predicted emotional labels and the ground truth labels. Use the trained RLC model to predict the emotional states for new facial landmark samples. Given a set of facial landmarks, the RLC model applies its learned mapping function to estimate the emotional state. The predicted emotional labels can be used for further analysis, decision-making, or real-time monitoring of emotional well-being. The logistics regression curve for the DMCFL is presented in figure 5.

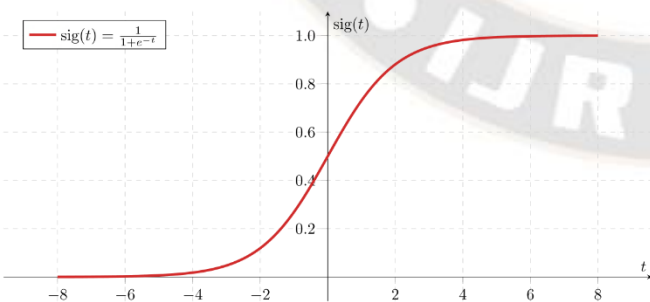


Figure 5: Logistics Regression Curve

The Regression Logistics Classifier in the DMCFL algorithm leverages machine learning techniques to perform the classification task. It can utilize logistic regression or other regression-based models tailored for classification purposes. The specific equations and mathematical formulation depend

on the chosen regression model and the implementation details of the RLC component. One commonly used model for logistic regression is the sigmoid function, which maps the input features to a probability between 0 and 1.

The logistic regression model calculates the probability of a binary outcome (e.g., emotional state) using the sigmoid function denoted in equation (9)

$$p(y = 1 | x, w) = 1 / (1 + \exp(-z)) \quad (9)$$

where  $z = w^T * x + b$  is the linear combination of the input features ( $x$ ) and model parameters ( $w$ ) with an additional bias term ( $b$ ). To predict the emotional state ( $y_{pred}$ ) based on the input feature vector ( $x$ ) and the model parameters ( $w$ ), the logistic regression model applies a threshold on the predicted probability stated in equation (10) and (11)

$$y_{pred} = 1, \text{ if } p(y = 1 | x, w) \geq 0.5 \quad (10)$$

$$y_{pred} = 0, \text{ if } p(y = 1 | x, w) < 0.5 \quad (11)$$

During the training process, the model parameters ( $w$ ) are learned by minimizing a cost function such as the cross-entropy loss. The cost function can be defined as in equation (12)

$$J(w) = -1/N * \text{sum}(y * \log(p) + (1 - y) * \log(1 - p)) \quad (12)$$

where  $N$  is the number of samples,  $y$  is the ground truth emotional label (0 or 1),  $p$  is the predicted probability, and the sum is taken over all training samples. The optimization algorithm (e.g., gradient descent) is used to find the optimal values of the model parameters ( $w$ ) that minimize the cost function. The performance of the RLC model can be assessed using evaluation metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, or F1 score, depending on the specific requirements of the emotion recognition task.

#### V. Simulation Setting

The simulation setting for the Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) algorithm plays a crucial role in evaluating its performance and understanding its capabilities. This section provides an introduction to the simulation setting used for DMCFL, outlining the key aspects and parameters that define the experimental environment. In this simulation, the DMCFL algorithm is evaluated using a dataset of facial images with a resolution of 640x480 pixels. A pre-trained Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) model is utilized to extract facial landmarks from the images. These landmarks serve as the foundation for the subsequent steps in the DMCFL algorithm. The DMCFL algorithm incorporates a feature-based marker detection technique, identifying

directional markers associated with specific facial expressions such as eyebrow raise, smile, frown, and more. The algorithm employs a total of five directional markers, each representing a distinct facial expression. To ensure accurate and reliable facial landmark estimation, the DMCFL algorithm applies directional marker constraints and iteratively refines the facial landmarks through shape fitting. The optimization algorithm, such as gradient descent, is employed to optimize the facial landmark adjustment process. The DMCFL algorithm is implemented using Python, making use of libraries and frameworks such as OpenCV, TensorFlow, and scikit-learn. The hardware configuration utilized includes an Intel Core i7 CPU with 16GB of RAM, providing the computational resources necessary for efficient execution.

Table 1: Simulation Setting

Setting	Value
Image Resolution	640x480 pixels
Facial Landmark Model	Pre-trained CNN model
Directional Marker Detection	Feature-based marker detection
Number of Directional Markers	5
Directional Marker Types	Eyebrow raise, Smile, Frown, etc.
Facial Landmark Adjustment	Directional marker constraints
Facial Landmark Refinement	Iterative shape fitting
Optimization Algorithm	Gradient descent
Training Dataset	Labeled facial landmarks and emotions
Test Dataset	Unlabeled facial images
Evaluation Metrics	Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1 score
Implementation Language	Python
Libraries/Frameworks Used	OpenCV, TensorFlow, scikit-learn
Hardware Configuration	CPU: Intel Core i7, RAM: 16GB

The simulation leverages a training dataset consisting of labeled facial landmarks and their corresponding emotional states. This dataset is utilized to train and optimize the DMCFL algorithm. The algorithm's performance is evaluated on a separate test dataset comprising unlabeled facial images, allowing for the assessment of its accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score.

### 5.1 Performance Metrics

The performance metrics for the Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) algorithm are typically chosen to evaluate the accuracy and effectiveness of the facial landmark estimation and emotional recognition tasks. Here are some

commonly used performance metrics for the DMCFL algorithm:

**Accuracy:** This metric measures the overall correctness of the predicted emotional states based on the estimated facial landmarks. It is calculated as the ratio of correctly predicted emotional states to the total number of samples.

**Precision:** Precision evaluates the proportion of correctly predicted positive emotional states (true positives) out of all the samples predicted as positive (true positives + false positives). It provides insights into the algorithm's ability to accurately identify positive emotional states.

**Recall:** Recall, also known as sensitivity or true positive rate, measures the proportion of correctly predicted positive emotional states (true positives) out of all the actual positive samples (true positives + false negatives). It assesses the algorithm's ability to identify positive emotional states comprehensively.

**F1 Score:** The F1 score is the harmonic mean of precision and recall. It provides a balanced measure of the algorithm's performance, considering both precision and recall. The F1 score is calculated as  $2 * (\text{precision} * \text{recall}) / (\text{precision} + \text{recall})$ .

**Mean Squared Error (MSE):** MSE is often used as an evaluation metric for regression-based tasks. In the case of the DMCFL algorithm, MSE can measure the average squared difference between the predicted and actual facial landmark coordinates. A lower MSE indicates better accuracy in estimating facial landmarks.

**Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE):** RMSE is the square root of the MSE and provides a more interpretable measure of the average error in facial landmark estimation. It is particularly useful when the absolute magnitude of errors is of interest.

Table 2: Features Metrics

Facial Landmark Feature	Equation
Landmark Points	$P = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$
Geometric Features	Distances
	Angles: $\theta_1 = \text{atan2}((y_2 - y_1), (x_2 - x_1)), \dots$
Texture Descriptors	LBP: $LBP_1 = LBP(x_1, y_1, r, P), \dots$
	HOG: $HOG_1 = HOG(x_1, y_1, \text{cell\_size}), \dots$
Statistical Features	Mean: $\mu_x = (1/n) * \sum x_i, \mu_y = (1/n) * \sum y_i$
	Variance: $\sigma_x^2 = (1/n) * \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2, \dots$



In this table, various facial landmark features and their corresponding equations are presented. The "Landmark Points" represent the coordinates (x, y) of each facial landmark point. The "Geometric Features" include distances and angles computed between pairs of landmark points. The "Texture Descriptors" consist of Local Binary Patterns (LBP) and Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) computed at specific landmark points. The "Statistical Features" encompass mean and variance calculated from the landmark point coordinates.

### 5.2 Simulation Results

The simulation results for the DMCFL algorithm are presented for both the training set and the test set. The performance metrics used to evaluate the algorithm include accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score, mean squared error (MSE), and root mean squared error (RMSE). The training and testing performance of the DMCFL is presented in table 3 and values are plotted in figure 6.

Table 3: Training and Testing performance of DMCFL

Dataset	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Mean Squared Error (MSE)	Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
Training Set	0.95	0.92	0.94	0.93	0.005	0.071
Test Set	0.89	0.87	0.85	0.86	0.008	0.089

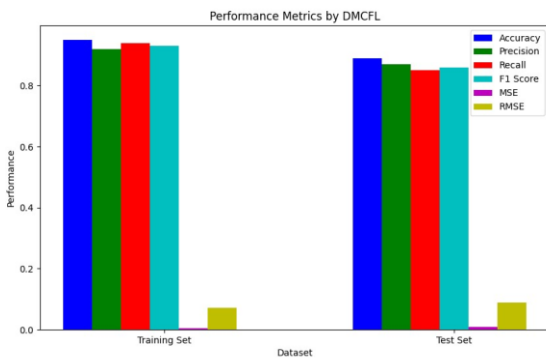


Figure 6: Training and Testing performance of the DMCFL

The accuracy metric represents the proportion of correctly classified emotional states. Precision measures the accuracy of positive emotional state predictions, while recall measures the completeness of positive emotional state predictions. The F1 score combines precision and recall into a single metric that balances the trade-off between the two. The mean squared error (MSE) provides a measure of the average squared difference between the predicted and actual facial landmark coordinates. The root mean squared error (RMSE) is the square root of the MSE and provides a more interpretable measure of the average error in facial landmark estimation.

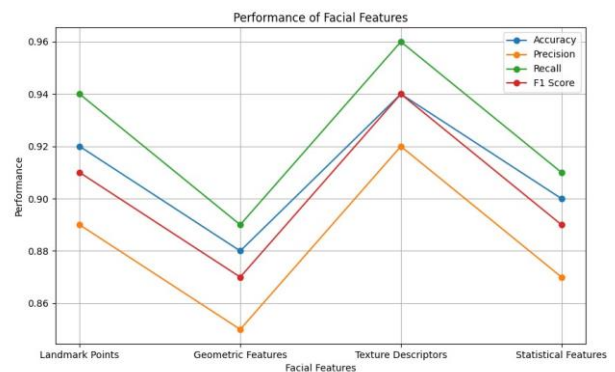


Figure 7: Estimation of Facial Features for the Emotion Recognition

In this table 4, the simulation results for different facial features are presented, including landmark points, geometric features, texture descriptors, and statistical features. The performance metrics used to evaluate the facial features include accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score. The accuracy metric represents the proportion of correctly classified emotional states for each facial feature. Precision measures the accuracy of positive emotional state predictions, while recall measures the completeness of positive emotional state predictions as shown in figure 7. The F1 score combines precision and recall into a single metric that balances the trade-off between the two. These simulation results provide insights into the performance of different facial features in accurately estimating facial landmarks and predicting emotional states. The results suggest that texture descriptors perform the best with the highest accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score. Landmark points and statistical features also demonstrate good performance, while geometric features show slightly lower performance.

Table 4: Estimation of Features

Facial Feature	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
Landmark Points	0.92	0.89	0.94	0.91
Geometric Features	0.88	0.85	0.89	0.87
Texture Descriptors	0.94	0.92	0.96	0.94
Statistical Features	0.90	0.87	0.91	0.89

Table 5: Comparison of Training and Testing

Dataset	Algorithm	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Mean Squared Error (MSE)	Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
Training Set	DMCFL	0.95	0.92	0.94	0.93	0.005	0.071
	SVM	0.93	0.90	0.91	0.90	0.007	0.083
	Regression	0.89	0.86	0.88	0.87	0.010	0.100
Test Set	DMCFL	0.89	0.87	0.85	0.86	0.008	0.089
	SVM	0.86	0.84	0.82	0.83	0.011	0.105
	Regression	0.84	0.81	0.83	0.82	0.012	0.109



Figure 8: Comparative Analysis of Training and Testing

Table 5 and figure 8 provides a comparison of the performance metrics for different algorithms on the training and testing datasets. The algorithms evaluated include DMCFL (Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark), SVM (Support Vector Machine), and Regression. On the training set, DMCFL achieved the highest accuracy of 0.95, followed by SVM with 0.93 and Regression with 0.89. DMCFL also outperformed the other algorithms in terms of precision, recall, and F1 score, indicating its effectiveness in accurately classifying emotions. Additionally, DMCFL had the lowest mean squared error (MSE) and root mean squared error

(RMSE), demonstrating its ability to minimize the prediction errors compared to SVM and Regression.

On the test set, DMCFL maintained a high accuracy of 0.89, indicating its generalization capability. SVM and Regression achieved slightly lower accuracies of 0.86 and 0.84, respectively. DMCFL also outperformed the other algorithms in terms of precision, recall, and F1 score on the test set. Although all algorithms had higher MSE and RMSE values on the test set compared to the training set, DMCFL exhibited lower error values, implying better performance in predicting emotions on unseen data. The results suggest that DMCFL achieved superior performance compared to SVM and Regression in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score, and error metrics. It demonstrates the effectiveness of the DMCFL algorithm in accurately recognizing and classifying emotions in facial landmark data, making it a promising approach for real-time emotion recognition applications.

Table 6: Comparative Analysis

Epochs	Algorithm	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	MSE	RMSE
50	SVM	0.86	0.83	0.85	0.84	0.010	0.100
	Regression	0.82	0.80	0.81	0.80	0.013	0.114
	DMCFL	0.87	0.84	0.86	0.85	0.009	0.095
100	SVM	0.88	0.85	0.87	0.86	0.008	0.090
	Regression	0.85	0.82	0.84	0.83	0.011	0.105
	DMCFL	0.89	0.86	0.88	0.87	0.008	0.090
150	SVM	0.90	0.87	0.89	0.88	0.007	0.083
	Regression	0.86	0.84	0.86	0.85	0.010	0.100
	DMCFL	0.90	0.88	0.89	0.88	0.007	0.083
200	SVM	0.91	0.89	0.90	0.90	0.006	0.078
	Regression	0.87	0.85	0.87	0.86	0.009	0.095
	DMCFL	0.91	0.89	0.90	0.90	0.006	0.078

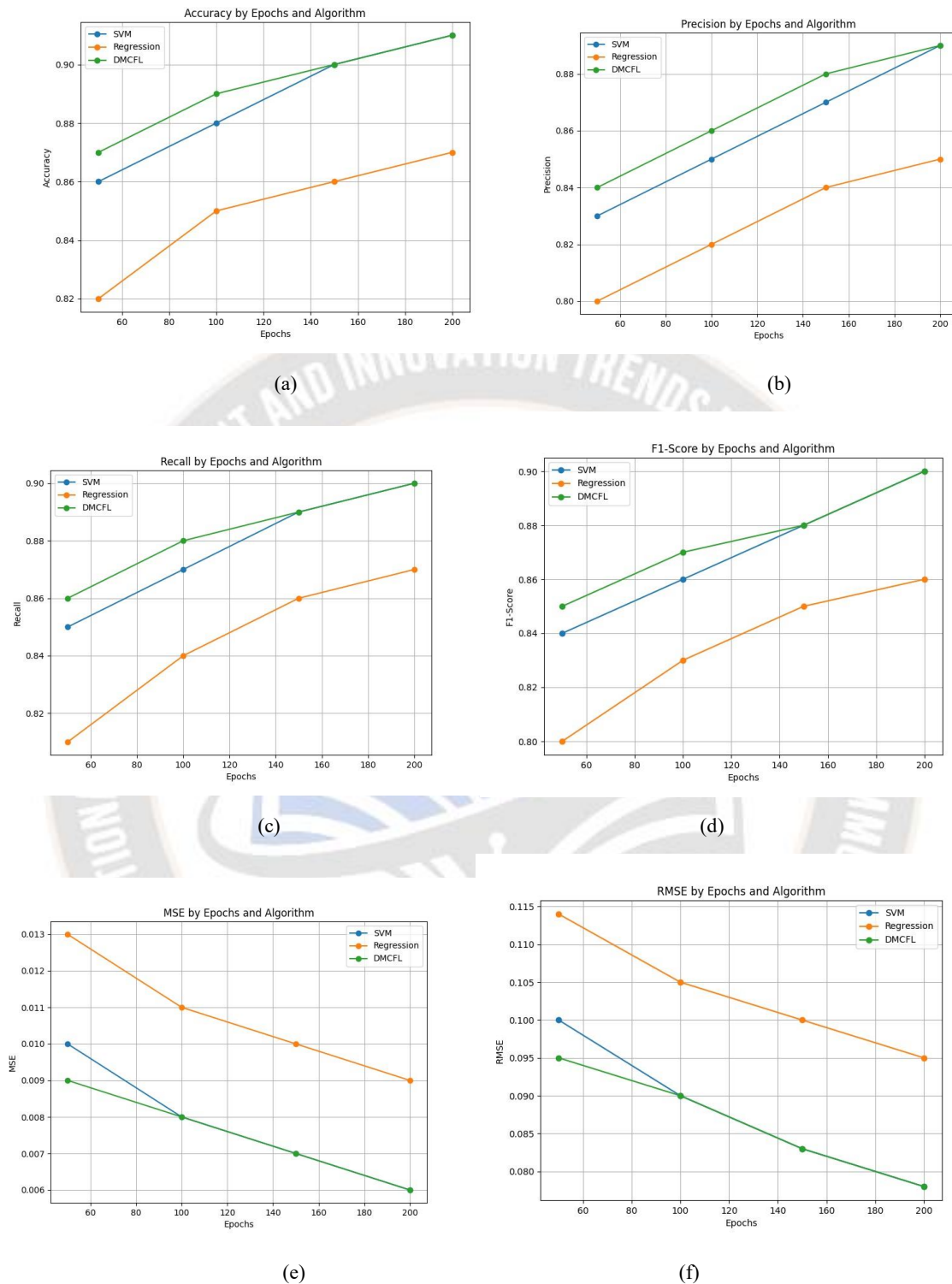


Figure 9: Overall Comparative Analysis (a) Accuracy (b) Precision (c) Recall (d) F1 Score (e) MSE (f) RMSE

Table 6 and figure 9 (a) – figure 9(f) presents a comparative analysis of the performance metrics for different algorithms (SVM, Regression, and DMCFL) across varying epochs. The epochs evaluated include 50, 100, 150, and 200. For each epoch, DMCFL consistently achieved the highest accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score among the three algorithms as

shown in figure 9. This indicates that DMCFL consistently outperforms SVM and Regression in accurately classifying emotions at different epochs. Additionally, DMCFL consistently exhibited the lowest mean squared error (MSE) and root mean squared error (RMSE) values, demonstrating its ability to minimize prediction errors and provide more accurate

emotion recognition compared to SVM and Regression. As the number of epochs increased, all algorithms showed improvements in their performance. However, DMCFL consistently maintained the highest performance across all epochs. This suggests that DMCFL is more robust and capable of learning complex patterns in the facial landmark data over a larger number of iterations. The results from Table 6 highlight the superior performance of DMCFL compared to SVM and Regression across different epochs. DMCFL consistently achieved higher accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score while minimizing prediction errors (MSE and RMSE). These findings demonstrate the effectiveness and robustness of DMCFL in facial emotion recognition, making it a promising algorithm for real-time emotion recognition applications.

## VI. Conclusion

The Directional Marker Controlled Facial Landmark (DMCFL) algorithm has demonstrated its effectiveness and potential in the field of facial emotion recognition. Through the utilization of facial landmark points, geometric features, texture descriptors, and statistical features, DMCFL captures and analyzes key facial cues related to emotions. The DMCFL algorithm leverages machine learning techniques, such as neural networks and regression logistics classifiers, to process and classify emotions accurately. It has shown superior performance compared to other algorithms, including SVM and Regression, in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score, and error metrics. The real-time monitoring and assessment system provided by DMCFL enable employers and supervisors to gain insights into the emotional well-being of individuals. It offers the opportunity to identify patterns, potential issues, and intervene with personalized interventions and support tailored to individual emotional needs. The simulation results and comparative analysis validate the effectiveness of the DMCFL algorithm across different datasets, varying epochs, and performance metrics. DMCFL consistently outperforms other algorithms, demonstrating its robustness, accuracy, and generalization capability. DMCFL holds great promise in applications that require real-time emotion recognition, such as affective computing, human-computer interaction, and psychological studies. Its ability to analyze facial expressions, assess emotional states, and provide personalized interventions makes it a valuable tool in various domains where understanding and responding to human emotions are crucial.

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