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Filter Selection Schema for Improved Face Recognition

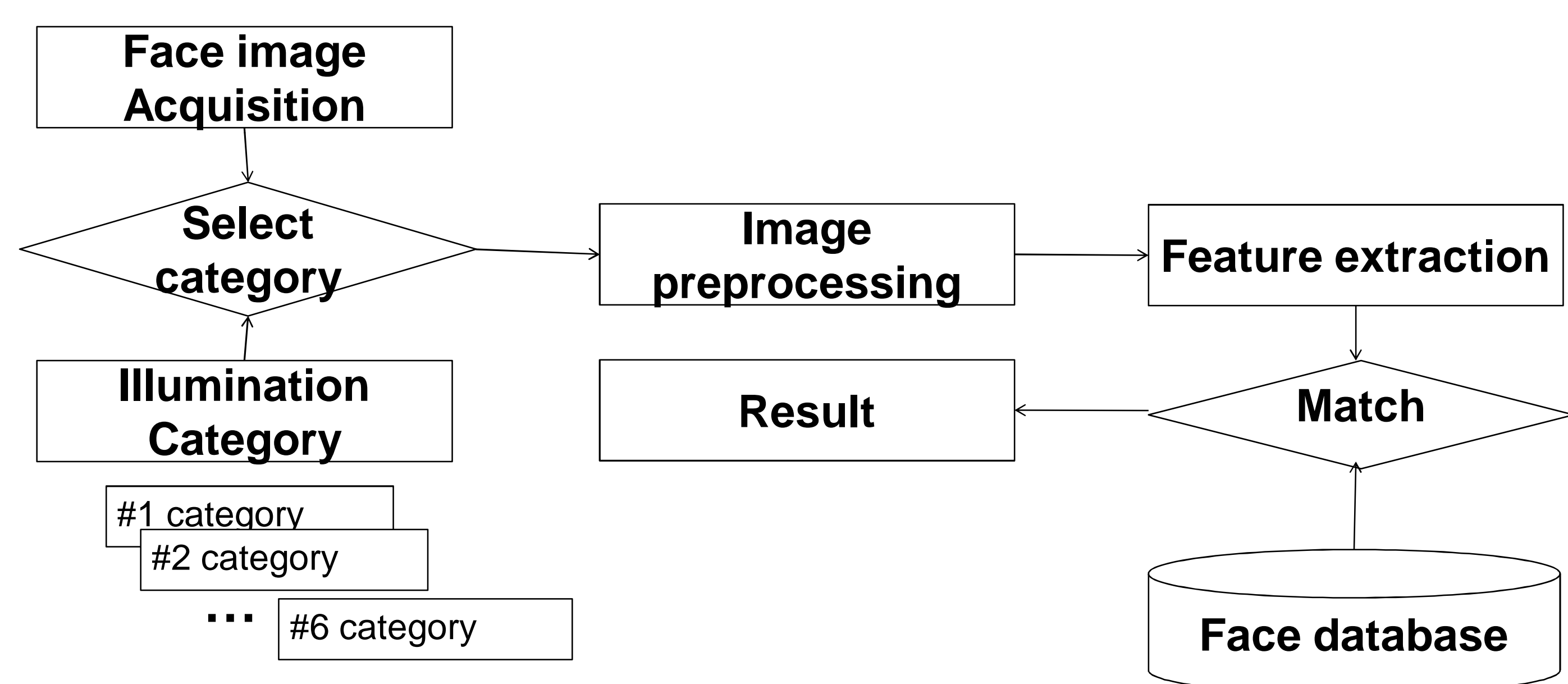
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Introduction

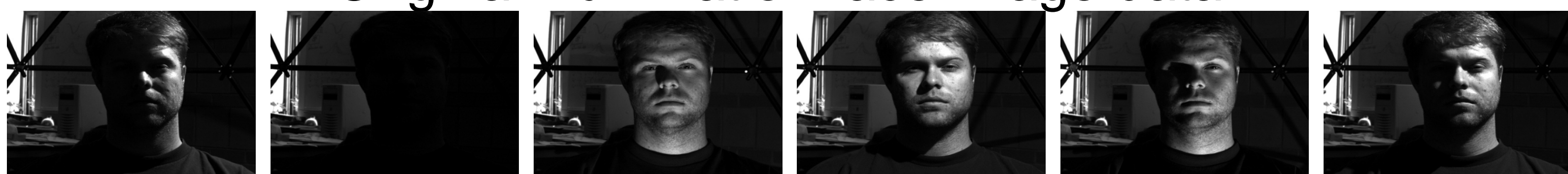
- Face recognition is a convenient method of authentication because facial characteristics are easy to capture
- However recognition algorithms are impacted by various illumination levels and face feature visibility
- The proposed schema can adapt to changing illumination conditions by selecting the most optimal filter for a specific illumination condition

Methodology



Face Database : Original & Modified Images

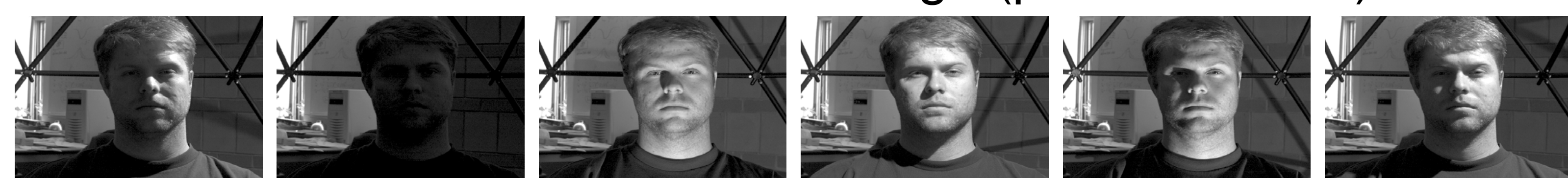
Original illumination face image data



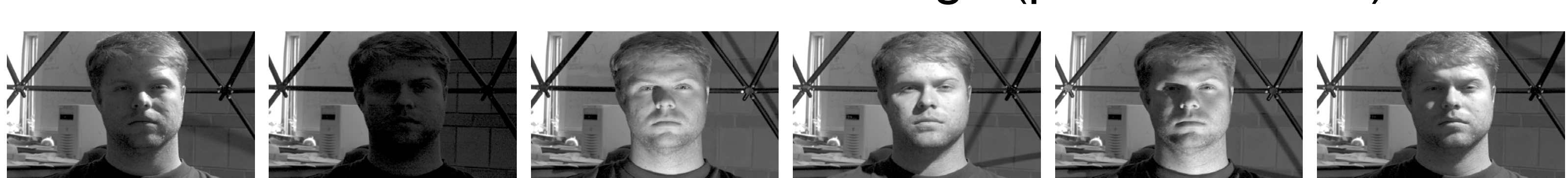
Histogram equalization filtered image



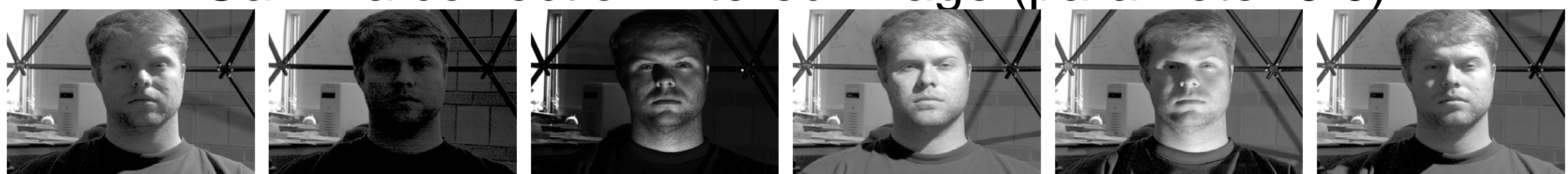
Gamma correction filtered image (parameter 2.2)



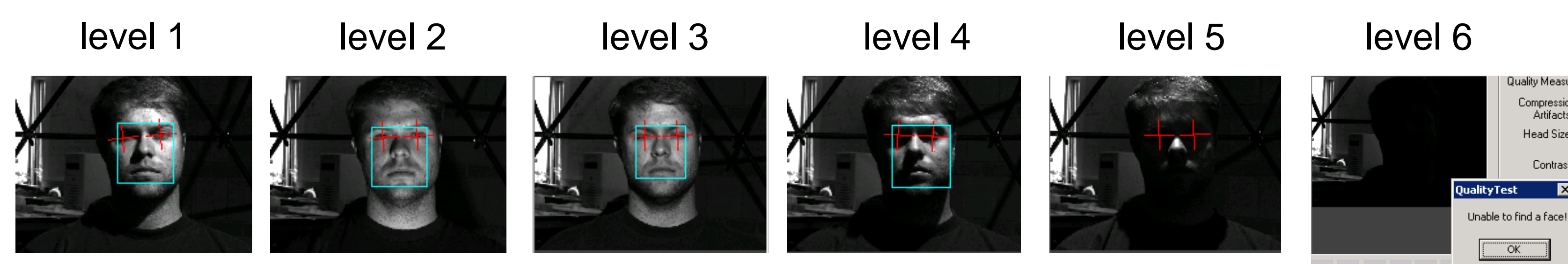
Gamma correction filtered image (parameter 2.6)



Gamma correction filtered image (parameter 3.0)



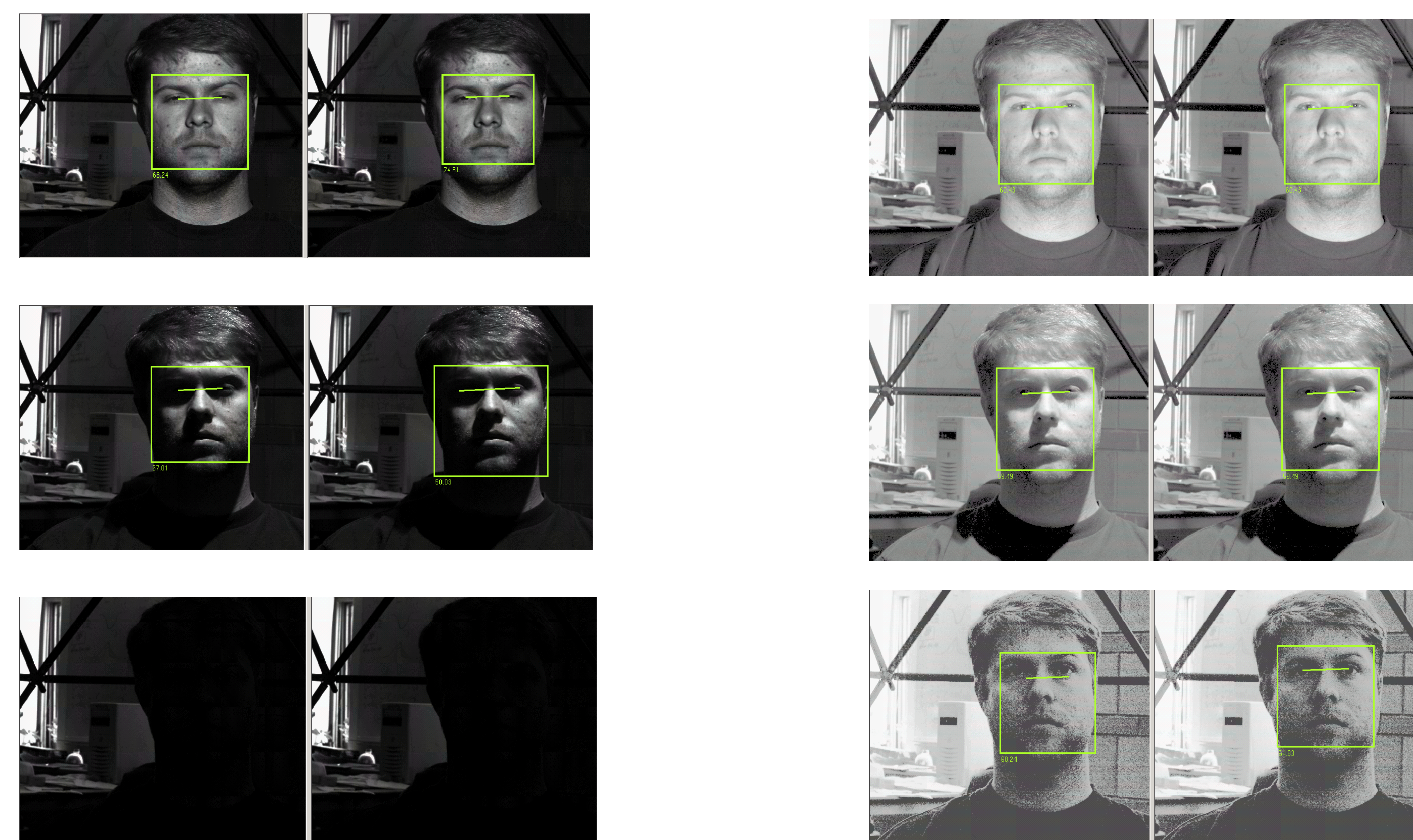
Face Detection at Illumination Levels



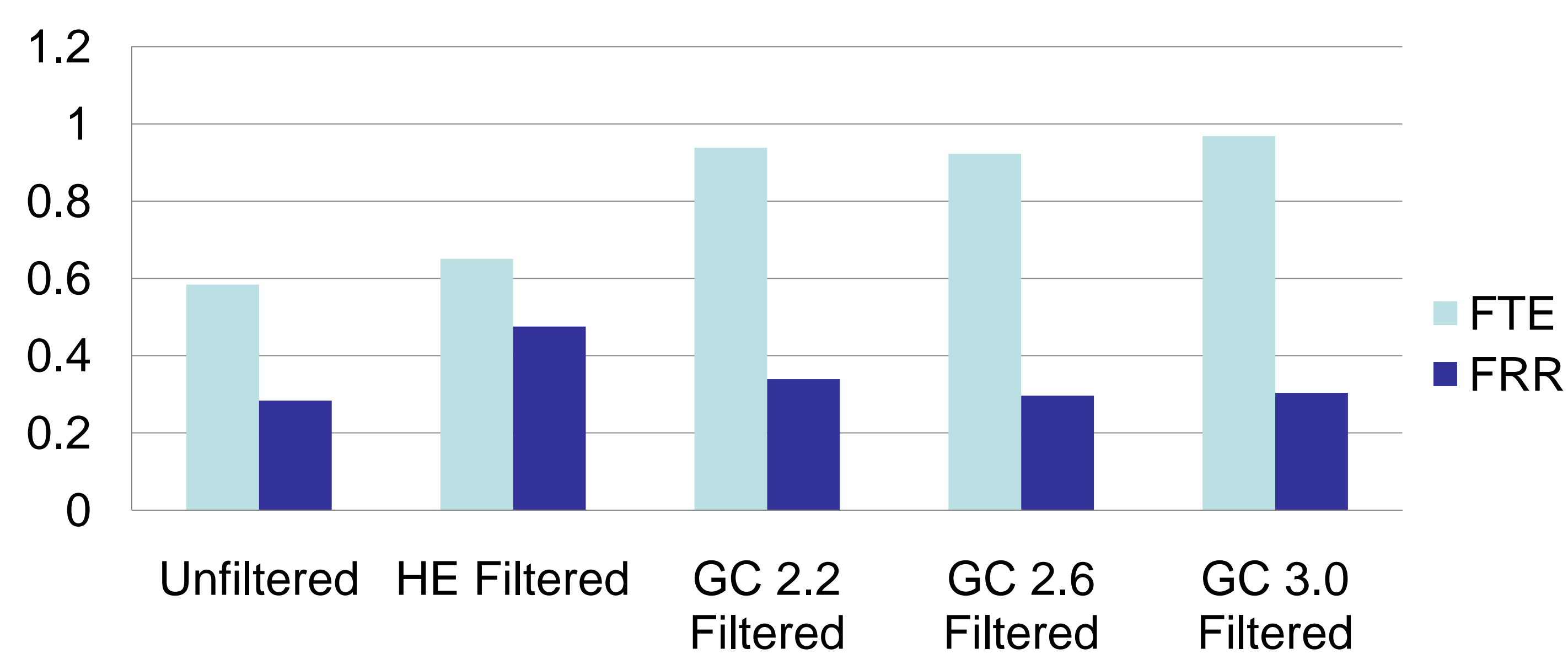
Results

Original enrollment rate : 0.58
Original image FRR : 0.28

Filtered enrollment rate : 0.96
Filtered image FRR : 0.30



Enrollment & Verification Error Rate



Conclusions

- The proposed schema can adapt itself to changing environment illumination by filter selection method.
- There is an increase in enrollment rate for different illumination levels
- Future work is to improve recognition error rate