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Face Recognition Door Lock System using Raspberry Pi

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Abstract: One of the crucial difficulties we aim to find in computer vision is to recognize items automatically without human interaction in a picture. Face detection may be seen as an issue when the face of human beings is detected in a picture. The initial step towards many face-related technologies, including face recognition or verification, is generally facial detection. Face detection however may be quite beneficial. A biometric identification system besides fingerprint and iris would likely be the most effective use of face recognition. The door lock system in this project consists of Raspberry Pi, camera module, relay module, power input and output, connected to a solenoid lock. It employs the two different facial recognition algorithms to detect the faces and train the model for recognition purpose.

Keywords: Face recognition, raspberry pi, opencv

I. INTRODUCTION

Robbery and illegal entrance are both common occurrences in today's society. As a result, security is crucial in everyday life. People are typically preoccupied with their daily activities, but they also want to ensure the safety of their valuable items. They are prone to misplacing important goods such as keys, wallets, and credit cards. If they don't have these, they won't be able to get to their residence or any other destination. A lock opener, an authentication password, a RFID tag, or an ID swipe card are mostly required for getting into a typical security system. On the other side, many security measures have flaws, such as the danger of being forgotten or stolen by unauthorized individuals. As a result, enhanced authentication solutions that provide a greater level of security as a template are required [1]. Biometric Authentication is one of them.

The word "Biometrics" refers to the measuring of human characteristics. In computer science, biometric authentication is a method of identity and access control. It's also used to figure out who's who in a group of people that are being watched. Individuals are identified using unique biometric identifiers with measurable qualities. Physiological biometric indicators are commonly used to identify and categorize persons. In contrast to behavioural attributes, the shape of the body has an impact on physiological characteristics. Fingerprints, palm veins, facial recognition, DNA, palm print, hand geometry, iris identification, retina, and odour/scent are only a few examples [2].

A. Face Recognition

Face Recognition looks to be one of the most widespread, collected, and accessible technologies among the above listed methods of biometric identifications. Because it relies on the same identifier that people use to differentiate one person from another, biometric face recognition, also known as Automatic Face Recognition (AFR) [2], is a particularly appealing biometric technique. Understanding the complicated human visual system and how humans represent faces in order to differentiate between different identities is one of its key focuses. Faces can be divided according to their algorithms. There are several facial recognition techniques. These includes: Classical face recognition approach, holistic approach, statistical approach, model-based approach, feature based, artificial intelligence approach, hybrid approach, Gabor wavelets approach, Face descriptor- based methods, 3D-based face recognition and Video- based face recognition.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

In the year 2018, Suma S L [6] implemented a real time face recognition algorithm using Linear Binary Pattern Histogram (LBPH) and Viola Jones algorithm. This method consists of com fusion and recognition. is done using Viola Jones algorithm is applied is for Face detection, feature extraction is done by LBPH technique and Euclidean Distance Classifier is used for face recognition. This work has recognition rate of about "85%-95%". This work can be further amended to favour in all conditions such as brightness, in case of twins, beard and wearing goggles.

In the year 2017, Li Cuimei [5] implemented a human face detection algorithm using three weak classifiers including Haar cascade classifier. Skin hue histogram, Eye detection and Mouth detection are the three classifiers adopted by this method. This yields sufficiently high detection. The proposed method generates a position prediction value (PPV) to about 78.18% - 98.01%. This can be amended to detect human faces only of multiple races and reduce the delay for detecting and recognizing various faces among different images of people with variation in light and background conditions.

III. BACKGROUND THEORY

Majority of face authentication systems look for distinguishing features such as the length of the nose, the wideness of the eyes, the width and angle of the jaw, the prominence of the cheekbones, and the spacing between the eyes, and allocates a ID to each. The system then compares that image to another image using these numerical values and determines how collinear images are. Face recognition image origin includes pre-existing photographs from numerous perspectives as well as video camera feeds. Face detection, Pre-processing, Feature extraction, and Feature matching/Face recognition are all aspects of a facial recognition system. Now the important point in face recognition is, both the detection of faces and recognition have same four common procedures namely,

- 1) Acquisition/ Face Detection
- 2) Pre-Processing
- 3) Feature Extraction
- 4) Training

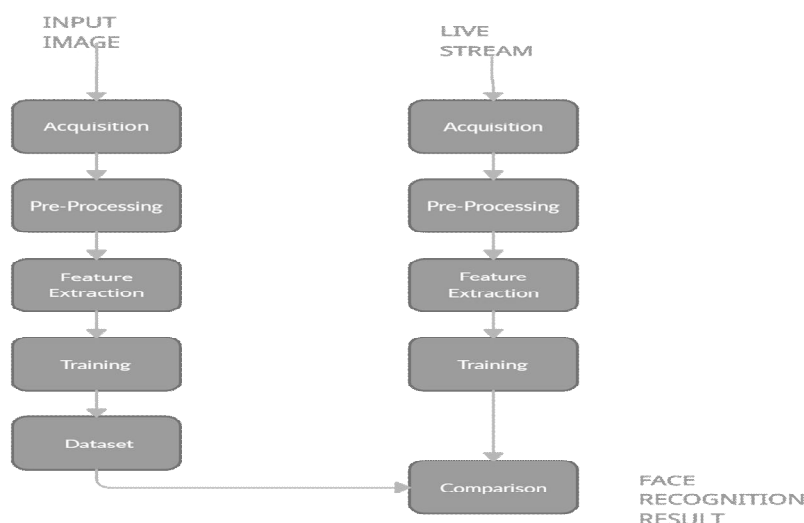


Fig. 1 Process Flow after detecting a face while creating data set and while recognition process.

In this project, both of these processes undergo four common procedures namely, face acquisition, face detection using Haar cascade classifier and pre-processing, feature extraction using Linear Binary Pattern algorithm to compute LBP values. These values are stored in the database only in case of processing an input image. Finally, comparison of the values in the database with the values computed via live streaming takes place which recognizes the human face as known or unknown based on the matching.

A. Face Detection

Face detection algorithms come in various types, each with its own set of flaws and advantages. Some employ skin tones, while others employ contours, and still, others utilize templates, neural networks, or filters. The difficulty with these methods is that they are computationally costly. A picture is nothing more than a set of pigment and/or light intensity values.

Because of the significant differences in form and pigmentation inside a human face, analyzing these pixels for face identification takes time and effort. Re-analysis of pixels is frequently required for scaling and accuracy. Viola and Jones developed Haar Classifiers, a method that uses AdaBoost classifier cascades based on Haar-like properties rather than pixels to quickly recognize any object, including human faces. This is the algorithm that we're using in this project for detecting the faces.

- 1) **Haarcascade Algorithm:** Haar-like properties are the foundation for Haar categorizer object detection. Rather of using a pixel's illumination values, these characteristics employ the difference in brightness values between consecutive quadrilateral groupings of pixels. To determine relative bright and dull regions, the contrast variances between pixel sets are employed. A Haar-like characteristic is made by two or three neighbouring sets with a relative brightness variance. To detect a picture, Haar-like characteristics are employed, as illustrated in Fig 2. By adjusting the index of pixel set under investigation, Haar characteristics may be readily scaled. This makes it possible to employ features to detect objects of varied sizes.

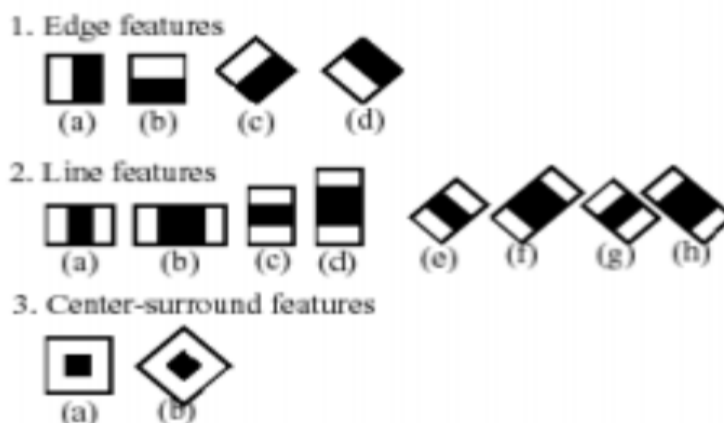


Fig. 2 Common Haar Features

B. Pre-Processing and Feature Extraction

For feature extraction, we're using LBPH (Local Binary Pattern Histogram) algorithm is utilized. The Linear Binary Pattern Histogram is the most common choice for "Feature extraction". It works with a great deal of discrimination. Using this technique, the image's features will be extracted in real-time. The Linear Binary Pattern Histogram method is divided into two phases: training and assessment. During the training phase, picture samples are taught to be recognized, and during the estimation phase, the picture to be tested is compared to the samples trained in the dataset.

- 1) **LBPH Algorithm:** Following the detection of the face, the following step is to extract features using the linear binary pattern technique. The test image is converted to greyscale as the first stage in this technique. This picture, which is $L \times M$ pixels in size, will be separated into areas. The areas have the same pixel size, resulting in $n \times n$ regions. Linear binary pattern operator will be applied to each area. In this process, it will compare the centre pixel with its neighbour pixels. If the pixel size is greater to centre pixel it is '1' or it is '0'. Accordingly, the LBP code for the centre pixel is generated by joining the neighbour pixel values (ones or zeroes) into a binary code, which is converted to 256-dimensional decimal for ease as a texture description of the centre pixel.

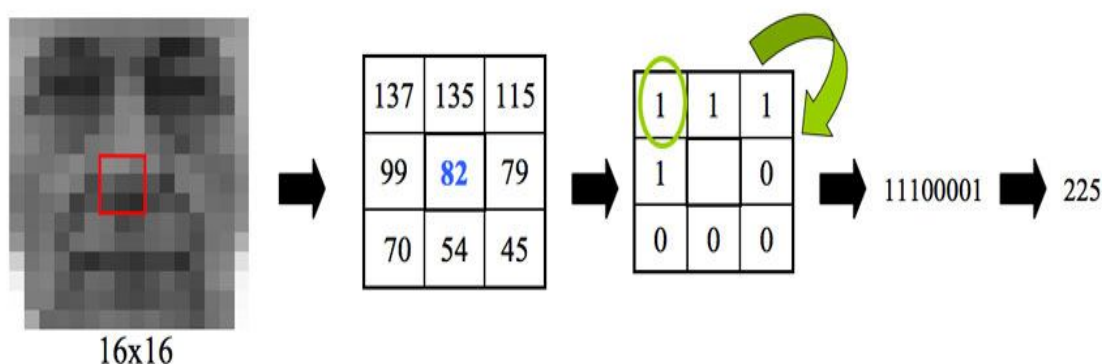


Fig. 3 LBPH Feature Extraction

IV. SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM

A. Block Diagram

The architecture of the Raspberry pi facial recognition system is smaller, easier than the PC-based facial recognition system, and has lower power consumption. It is freer to build applications on Linux due to open-source code. For the face recognition and identification method, the principal component analysis (Eigen faces) algorithm is used. The system is inexpensive, fast, highly durable and offers sufficient versatility to satisfy various system requirements. Using technology:

- 1) *Image Processing*: This method is used for image capture and recognition compared with database images.
- 2) *Embedded System Design*: This approach is used for the module, which combines hardware, software and many other featured components.

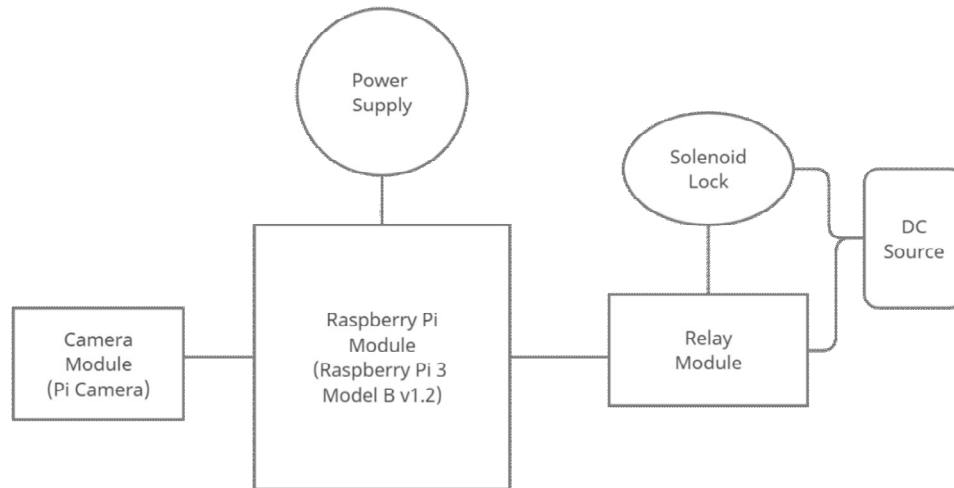


Fig.4 Block diagram of the system

Raspberry Pi GPIO pins give an output of 3.3V only. The solenoid lock requires 9-12V to operate. So we used an external DC source and relay connected with pi to work the lock. The VCC and GND of the relay module connected to Raspberry Pi pins. Then the signal pin of the relay module is given to the GPIO 26 of Raspberry Pi. On the other side of the relay module, connect the negative from the external DC source to the negative of the solenoid door lock. Connect the positive from the DC power source to the common of the relay module and then connect normally open from the relay module to positive of the solenoid door lock.

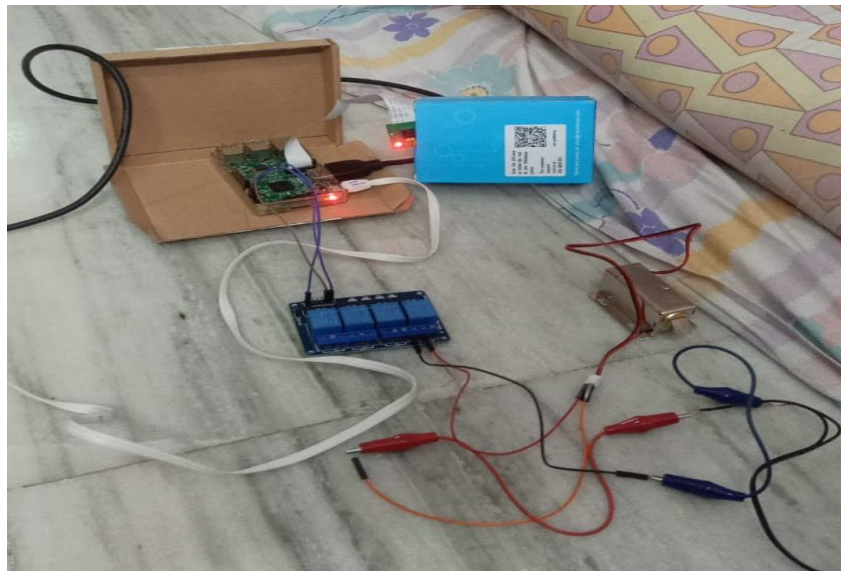


Fig 5 Connected Circuit

V. IMPLEMENTATION

The project is designed and implemented with the help of Raspberry Pi for the door unlocking, which ensures that our homes are safely protected. Raspberry Pi operates the video camera to capture images and monitors them. Open CV/ Python Library is developed by using a stored facet database as a given picture of a scene to recognize or check one or more people in the scene. The pictures are then derived and will match photographs from the collection. The door opens automatically if the pictures are paired. Otherwise, the door lock remains closed.

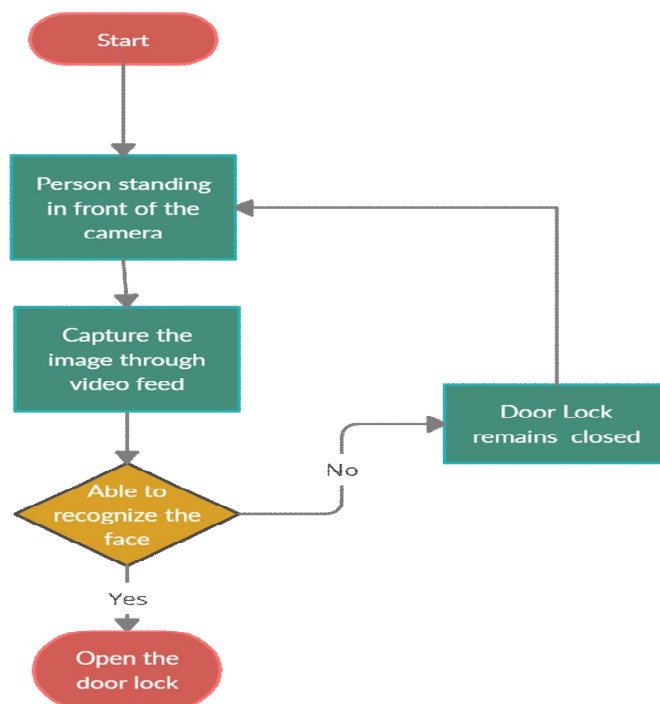


Fig.6 Flow Chart of the process

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In this project, we worked on 3 very distinct phases for Face Recognition:

A. Collect the Data

We worked with face detection using this Haarcascade classifier. We need to extract features from positive and negative images and train the model which then detects the faces. The OpenCV consists of a trainer as well as a detector. OpenCV already contains many pre-trained classifiers for face, eyes, smile, etc. Those XML files can be download from Haarcascades directory. This python code consists of 2 phases face detection and then gathering the detected data into a dataset. For collecting the data into the dataset, create a folder to hold the data inside the project directory.

B. Train the Model

On this second step, we took all user data from the dataset and train the OpenCV Recognizer. This is done straight by a specific OpenCV function. The result will be a .yaml file that will be saved on a "trainer/" directory. A new python file training.py is created to write the trainer program.

C. Recognize the Faces

In the final step of the project, we will capture a fresh face on our camera through a live video stream and if this human's face is snapshotted and features extracted before, the recognizer model makes a prediction returning the person's name and an index, shown how confident the recognizer is with this match. And then the solenoid lock is opened to which the electrical is send by raspberry Pi through the relay module.

VI. RESULTS

A. Collecting the Data

When this program is run, first it asks us to enter the face id to store the images captured later under that face id. Then it informs us to look at the camera and wait till the face images are captured. Since it's only a single camera, it won't take much time.

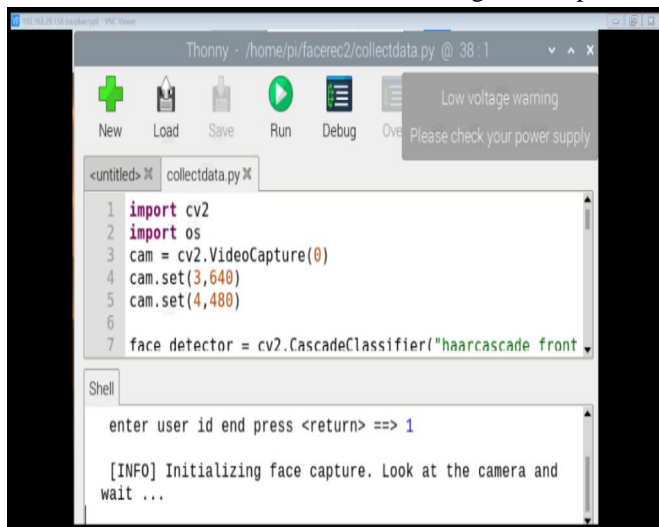


Fig. 7 Face ID

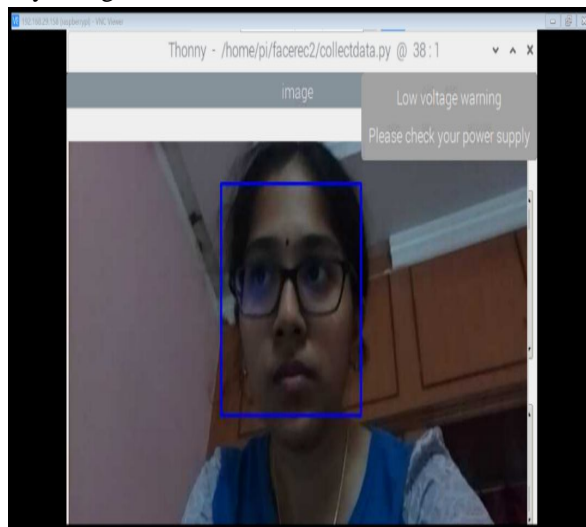


Fig. 8 Live Capture

The camera is turned on and it starts taking pictures of what is present in front of the camera. It does detect the face and takes frames of the video capture happening at live. We took 90 images per face, i.e., 90 frames throughout the video capture. Given below are the dataset frames of face 1 and face 2. They are stored into the dataset directory which is inside the project directory.

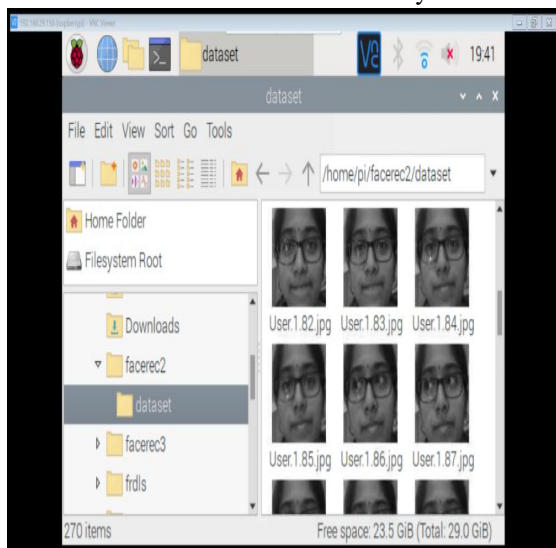


Fig. 9 Face id =1 face frames

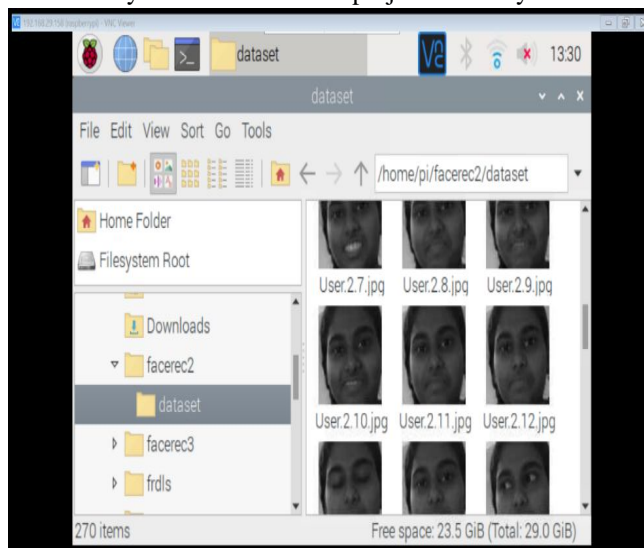


Fig. 10 Face id =2 face frames

After the detection of 90 faces is completed, the program stops the live capture and informs us at the output window that face detection is completed.

B. Training the Data

After collecting the data, the data is to be trained. So training.py program is run each and every time a new face is detected. It trains all the faces present in the dataset directory everytime. More the faces, more is the time taken by the program to extract all the required features from the dataset that are to perform face recognition.

All the features extracted and the face ids are stored in a file "trainer.yml". It is a .yml file that can be read by recognizer only. In this project, we're using LBPH Face Recognizer for face recognition.

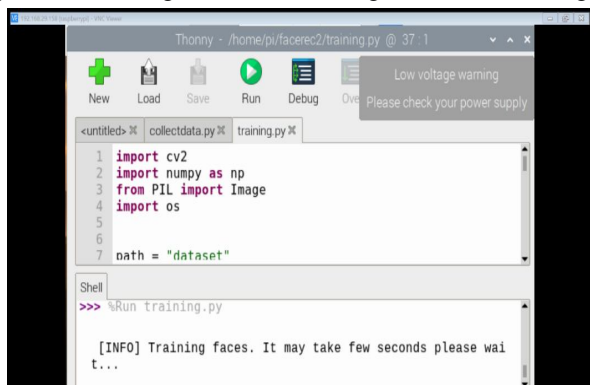


Fig. 11 Training Faces

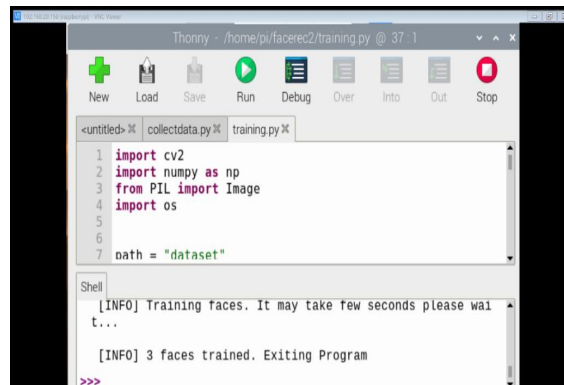


Fig. 12 All faces in the dataset are trained.

C. Face Recognition and Door Lock Operation

This is the main code of the project where the recognition of face and the operation of door lock is determined. When a person is standing in front of the door, the program is run, first it enables the camera to start capturing the visual in front of it.

The solenoid lock is kept closed until the face is recognized. If the face is recognized, the raspberry pi sends a signal to the solenoid lock through a relay module which is opened then and then it closes off again after a time lapse of 10 seconds. The time lapse value is manually set and can be altered whenever.

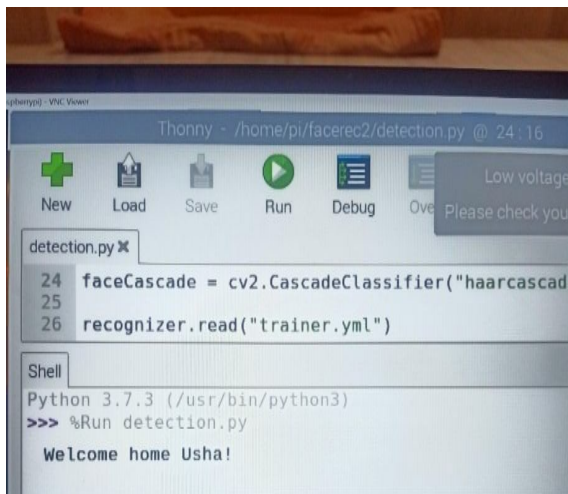


Fig. 13 Output Window

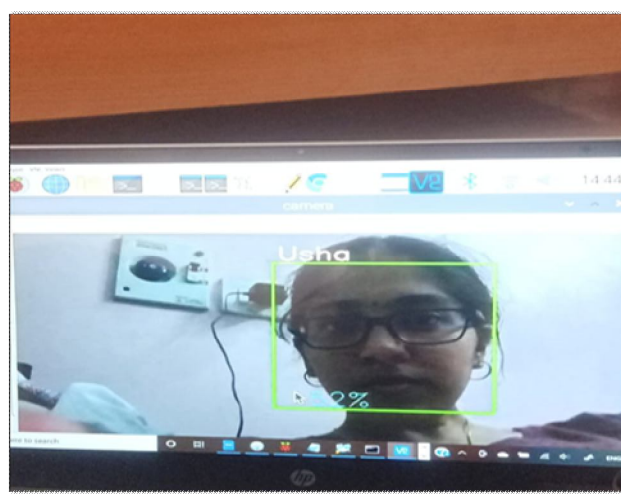


Fig. 14 Face Recognized

VI. FUTURE SCOPE

The usage of the current projects can be seen in the authentication in homes, banks, and other public places. As machine learning is very crucial in today's technological world, there are many zones where this technique can be maximized. While carrying out this project, we have observed that some areas need improvement, such as limitations of distance, the updating of techniques, and camera qualities. Accuracy can be enhanced in the coming future, which is straight related to our work. Internet of Things capabilities can be incorporated by making use of sensors. The project can be further enhanced by focusing on a multi-parameter recognition system with additional mechanical support and an alerting system.

VII. CONCLUSION

In this project, door locking system using face recognition process has been devised using a Raspberry Pi, relay module, solenoid lock and a raspberry pi camera. We used the Haar Cascade classifier method to detect the face and Local Binary Pattern Histogram (LBPH) in recognizing the face. The face recognition process depends on various attributes like illumination, face position and so on, these problems have been addressed to get better results, thereby giving an output with a confidence between 60 to 70 percentage. We conclude that various operations are successfully tested and results are documented.

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