# Augmented Reality Android App

# With Optical Character Recognition, Text Translation and Facial Recognition

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### **Motivation**

When we read a newspaper that is written in other language, we may suffer difficulty to understand the content of the article, especially when the article is written in the language we never used.

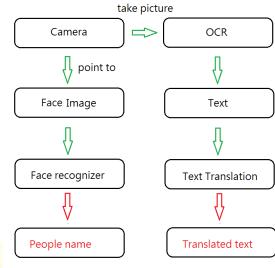
Meanwhile there is always a picture in header article and some people are captured, and most of the time, we cannot know all of them!

We have developed an App, which aims to make life easier – to assist user when user is reading some materials like leaflet, newspaper, website...etc.



## Design

### Work Flow



#### Software used:

FQL Eclipse with Android SDK, NDK TesseractOCR Microsoft Translator jTessBoxEditor Serak Trainer For Tesseract 3.0X OpenCV manager For our Database Compiler Open Source OCR engine Online translator API Create tiff and box file Create trained data Open Source Computer Vision Library



### **Design description:**

#### **Text Translation**

As well as other Augment Reality App, our App is highly relay on using the camera. After users take photo of the text paragraph, they can select to translate only part of the paragraph in the photo.

After users select the paragraph to translate, OCR would translate the image to text, and Microsoft translator would translate the text to user-expected language.

And user can pass the tran<mark>slated text to YouTube a</mark>nd Google, which make the App user-friendly.

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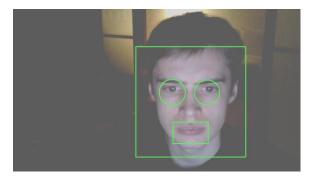
Big spenders put on a show



Can select to translate this paragraph only



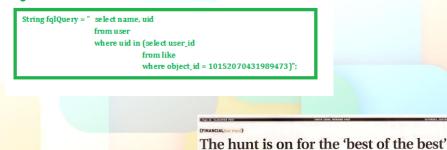
### Face Recognition:



Using the characteristic of Augment Reality, our App performs Real-time manipulation of camera image. Face would be detected and showed in camera. And when users use our App to search person, our App would return person name every second.

To make the App meaningful, we use Facebook query language (FQL) to extract HKUST people data from Facebook, instead of adding non-famous people data in the internet.

FQL





For Face Recognizer

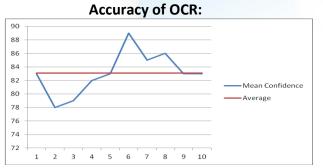
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For OCR Text translator

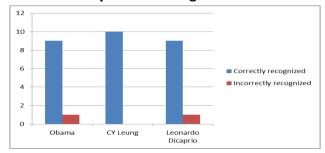
### **User interface**



### Result



Accuracy of Face recognition



## Conclusion

#### We can do better:

1. Word translation: Get the text at preview status of camera

Currently, our app only support to get the text that user wants from image. This limits the area of the text to be translated. If the text that user wants to translate is not inside the current image, user needs to take another photo before translate other text. If we have more time to do the project, we could done better on OCR function, we would make it OCR the text on screen in preview mode of camera, when user point the camera to the word that user wants to translate, it will automatically focus, get the OCR text and translate it, and then display translated meanings and replace the original text directly on screen. Since it needs to display the preview in the main frame, other process like translation will do in the background, it will also increase the speed of our system.

2. Face recognition: Return more data rather than return name

For those who have "liked" HKUST Facebook fan page, we have extracted their name and profile picture in Facebook. If they have revealed their personal data in Facebook, It is achievable that we can extract more data from their Facebook account, like phone number, major, address.

