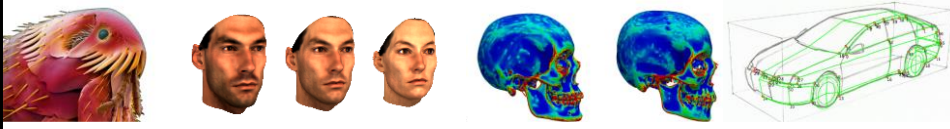


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# Probabilistic Morphable Models

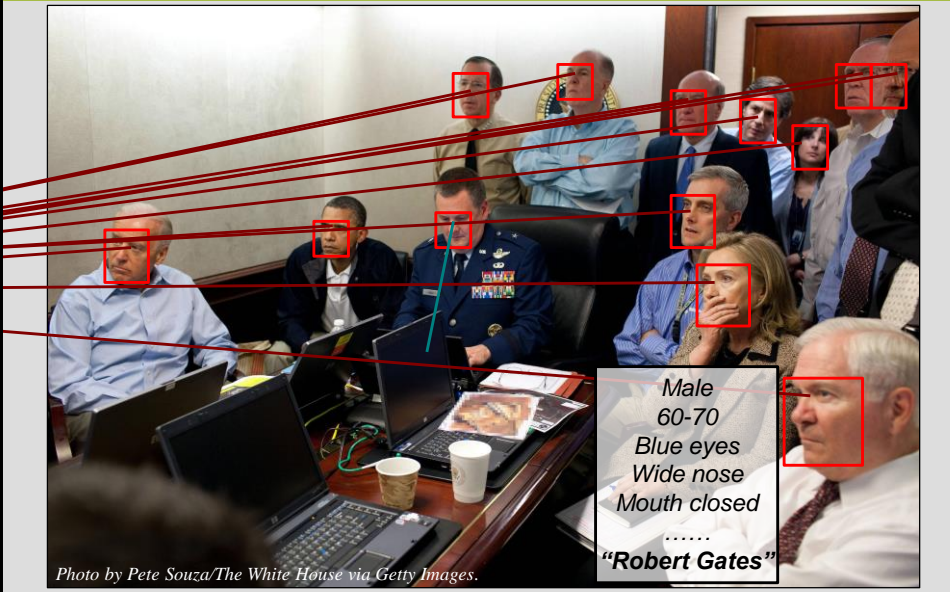
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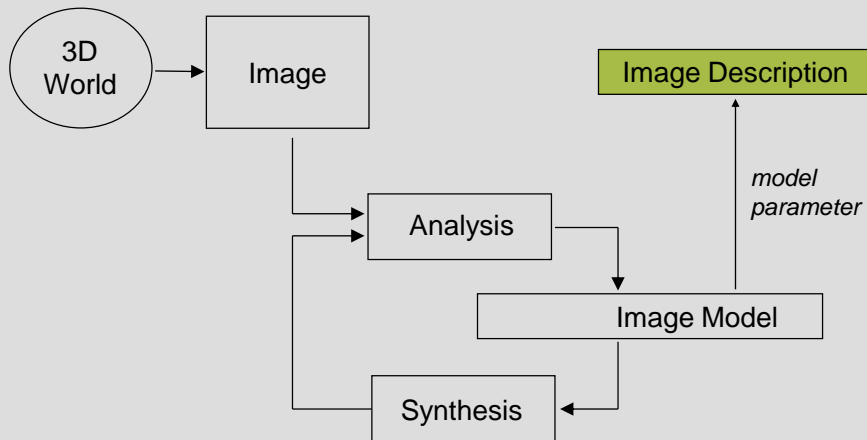


Male  
60-70  
Blue eyes  
Wide nose  
Mouth closed  
.....  
"Robert Gates"

Photo by Pete Souza/The White House via Getty Images.

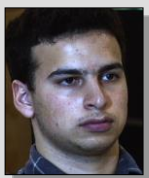


## Analysis by Synthesis

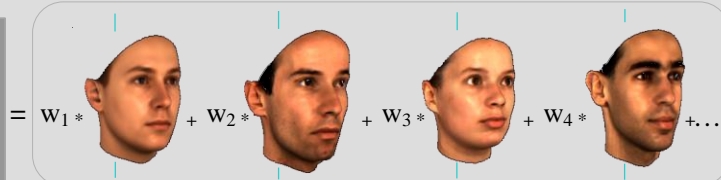


## Example based image modeling of faces

2D Image



3D Face Scans



$$= w_1 * + w_2 * + w_3 * + w_4 * + \dots$$



## Morphable Models for Image Registration



$$= R_{\rho} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1 \text{ (face)} + \alpha_2 \text{ (face)} + \alpha_3 \text{ (face)} + \dots \\ \beta_1 \text{ (face)} + \beta_2 \text{ (face)} + \beta_3 \text{ (face)} + \dots \end{array} \right\}$$

$R$  = Rendering Function

$\rho$  = Parameters for Pose, Illumination, ...

**Optimization Problem:** Find optimal  $\alpha, \beta, \rho$  !

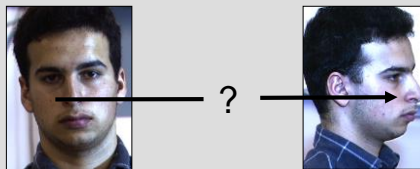


Output



## Probabilistic Morphable Models

1. Model-based image registration using Gaussian Processes for shape deformations



2. "Probabilistic registration": Find the distribution of possible transformations  $h(\theta)$  that transforms  $I_R$  to  $I_T$ .

$$P(\theta | I_T, I_R)$$



## Gaussian Process Morphable Models:

- ▶ A Gaussian process  $h \sim GP(\mu, k)$  on  $X$  is completely defined by its mean function

$$\mu : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

and covariance function

$$k : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

- ▶ A low rank approximation can be computed using the Nyström approximation.

$$h(\theta) \approx \mu + \sum_i^d \theta_i \sqrt{\lambda_i} \Phi_i$$

with  $\theta \sim N(0, I_d)$



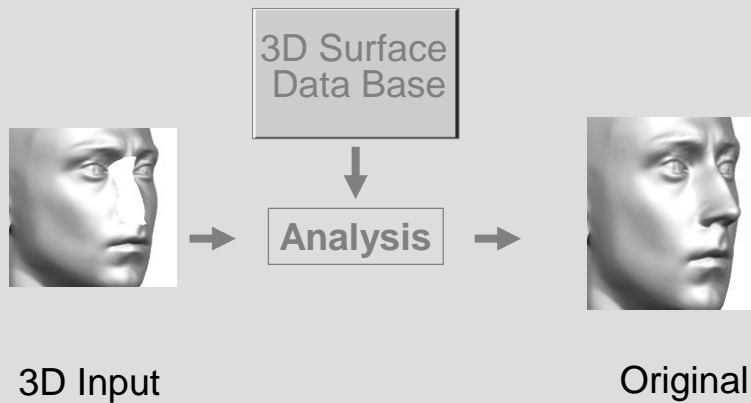
## Advantage of Gaussian Process Morphable Models

- ▶ Probabilistic formalism !
- ▶ Extremely flexible concept. By varying the covariance function  $k$  a variety of 'different' algorithms of deformation modelling are included.
  - Thin Plate Splines
  - Free Form deformations
  - ...
  - Standard PCA-Model

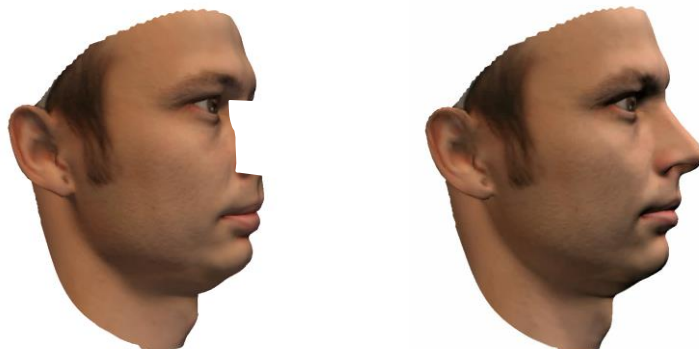
"Scalismo" an open source library by Marcel Lüthi  
see also our MOOC on FutureLearn "Statistical Shape Modelling"



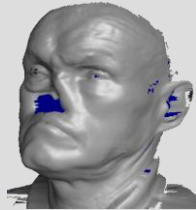
## Surface Data Prediction as Gaussian Process Regression



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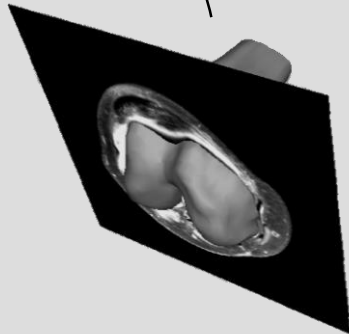


## Application



## Example use-case: Trochlea dysplasia

*MRI-Slice*



*Patella*

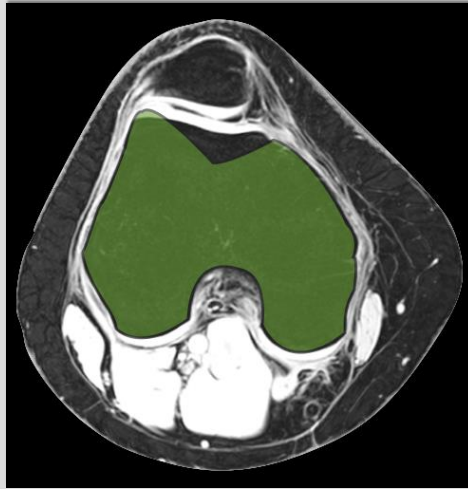


*Femur*

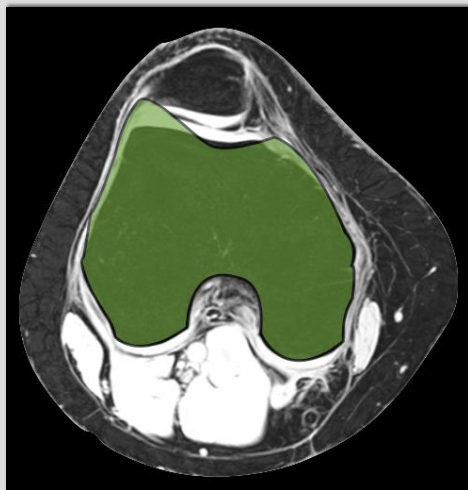


*Trochlea-Dysplasia*





*Surgical intervention: Increase goove*



*Surgical intervention: Augment bony structure*

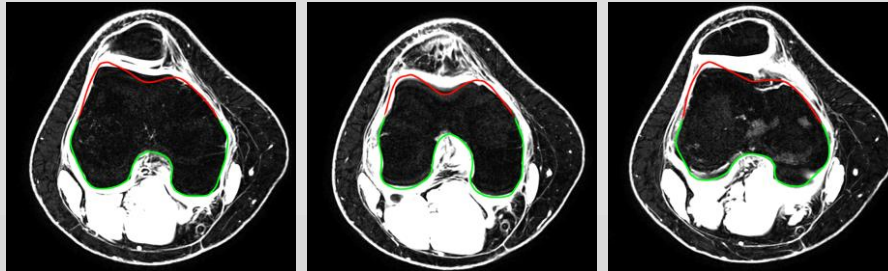
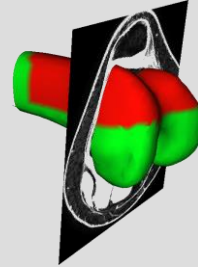




## Automatic inference of pathology

### Posterior Shape Models

T. Albrecht, M. Lüthi, T. Gerig, T. Vetter,  
Medical Image Analysis, 2013



## Probabilistic Inference for Image Registration

- Generative image explanation: How to find  $\theta$  explaining  $I$ ?

$$p(\theta|I) = \frac{\ell(\theta; I) p(\theta)}{N(I)} \quad N(I) = \int \ell(\theta; I) p(\theta) d\theta$$

-----> Normalization intractable in our setting

- What can be done:

1. Accept MAP as the only option
2. Approximate posterior distribution (e.g. use sampling methods)



## The Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm

- ▶ Need a distribution which can generate samples:  $Q(\theta'|\theta)$
- ▶ Algorithm transforms samples from  $Q$  into samples from  $P$ :
  1. Draw a sample  $\theta'$  from  $Q(\theta'|\theta)$
  2. Accept  $\theta'$  as new state  $\theta$  with probability  $p_{\text{accept}} = \min \left\{ \frac{P(\theta') Q(\theta|\theta')}{P(\theta) Q(\theta'|\theta)}, 1 \right\}$
  3. State  $\theta$  is current sample, repeat for next sample

---> Generates unbiased but correlated samples from  $P$

- ▶ Markov Chain Monte Carlo Sampling: Result:  $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots\}$



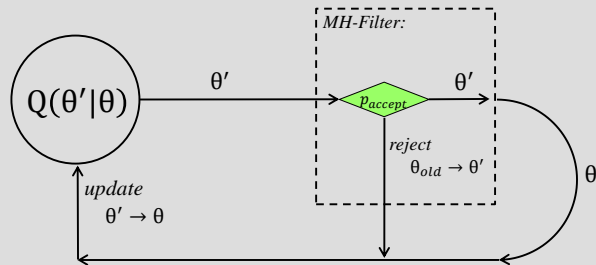
## MH Inference of the 3DMM

- ▶ Target distribution is our “posterior”:
- ▶  $P: \tilde{P}(\theta|I_T) = \ell(\theta|I_T, I_R)p(\theta)$ 
  - ▶ Unnormalized
  - ▶ Point-wise evaluation only
- ▶ Parameters
 

▶ Shape:	50 – 200, low-rank parameterized GP shape model
▶ Color:	50 – 200, low-rank parameterized GP color model
▶ Pose/Camera:	9 parameters, pin-hole camera model
▶ Illumination:	9*3 Spherical Harmonics for illumination/reflectance
- ▶  $\approx 300$  dimensions (!!)



## Metropolis Filtering



- Markov Chain Monte Carlo Sampling: Result:  $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots\}$



## Results: 2D Landmarks

- Landmarks posterior:

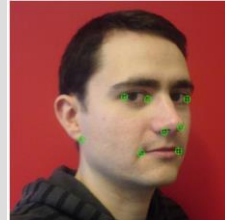
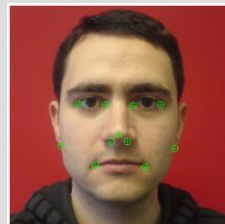
Manual labelling:  $\sigma_{LM} = 4\text{pix}$

Image: 512x512

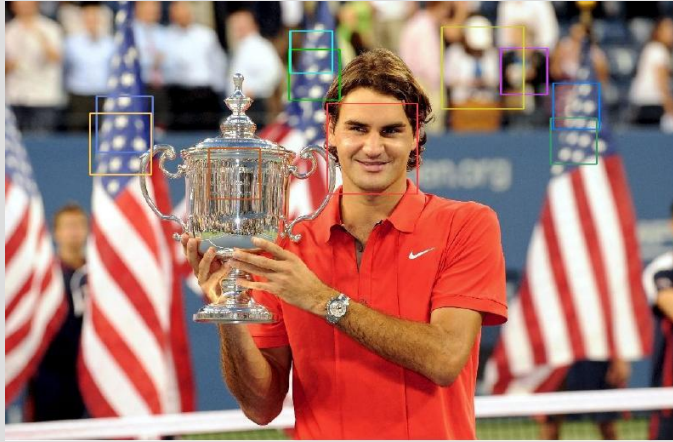
- Certainty of pose fit?

- Influence of ear points?
- Frontal better than side-view?

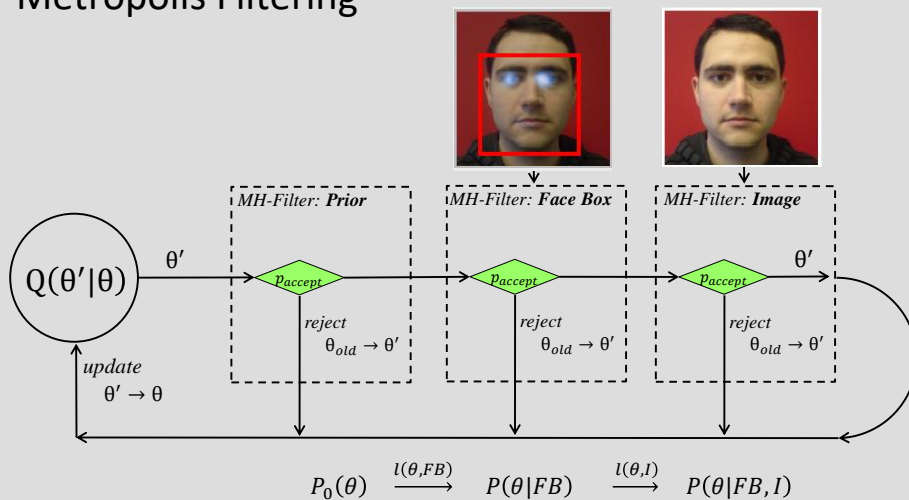
Yaw, $\sigma_{LM} = 4\text{pix}$	with ears	w/o ears
Frontal	$1.4^\circ \pm 0.9^\circ$	$-0.8^\circ \pm 2.7^\circ$
Side view	$24.8^\circ \pm 2.5^\circ$	$25.2^\circ \pm 4.0^\circ$



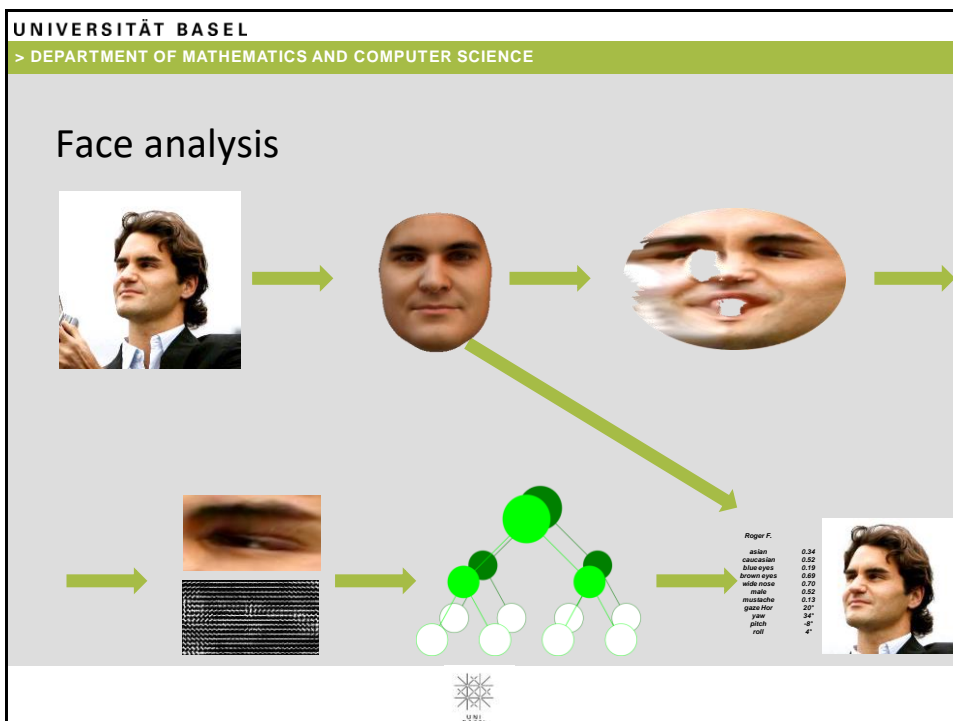
## Integration of Bottom-Up



## Metropolis Filtering



# pose sampling from the detection posterior



## **Occlusion-aware 3D Morphable Face Models**

*Bernhard Egger, Sandro Schönborn, Andreas Schneider, Adam Kortylewski, Andreas Morel-Forster, Clemens Blumer and Thomas Vetter*  
*International Journal of Computer Vision, 2018*



## Face Image Analysis under Occlusion

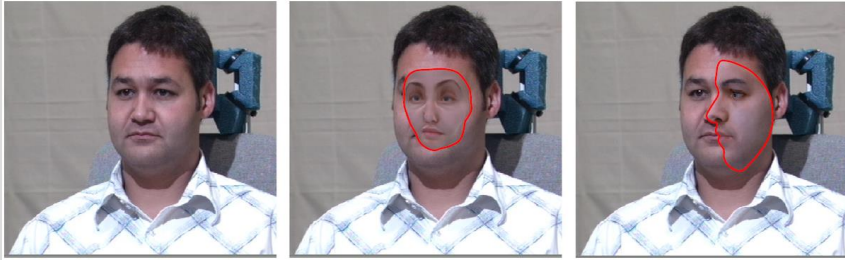


Source: AFLW Database

Source: AR Face Database



## There is nothing like: no background model



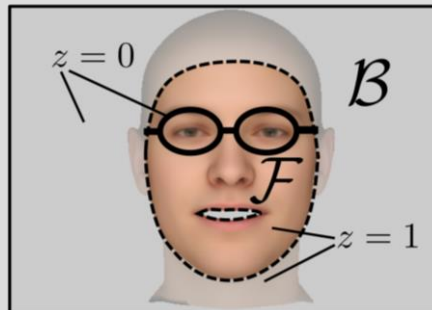
Maximum Likelihood Formulation:

$$\ell(\theta; I) = \prod_{x \in I} \ell(\theta; I(x)) = \prod_{x \in Fg} \ell(\theta; I(x)) \times \prod_{x \in Bg} \ell(\theta; I(x))$$

"Background Modeling for Generative Image Models"  
Sandro Schönborn, Bernhard Egger, Andreas Forster, and Thomas Vetter  
Computer Vision and Image Understanding, Vol 113, 2015.

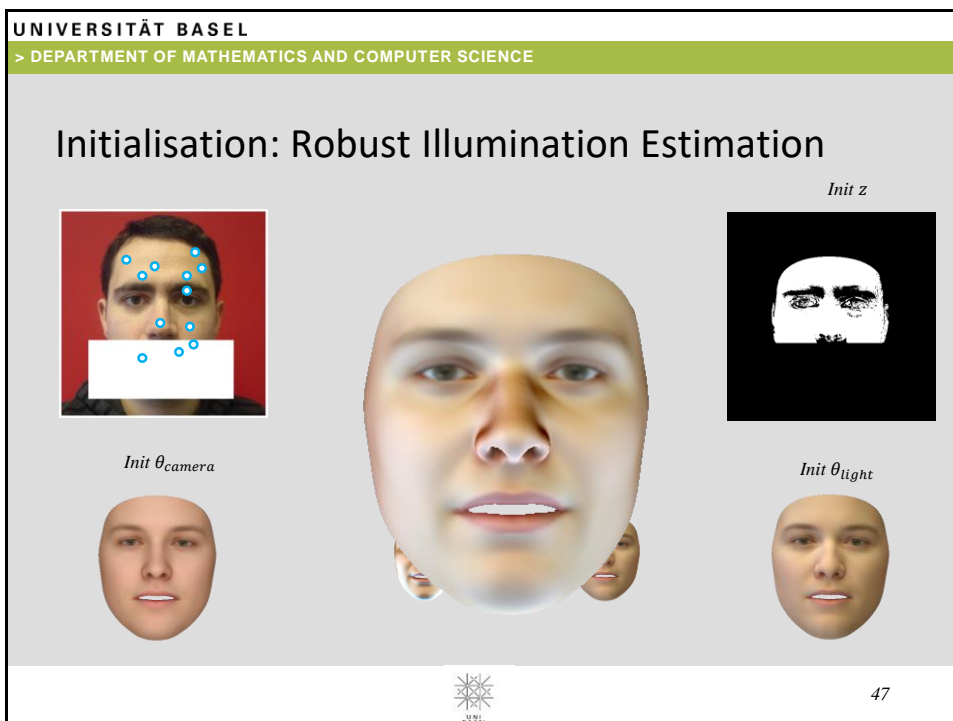
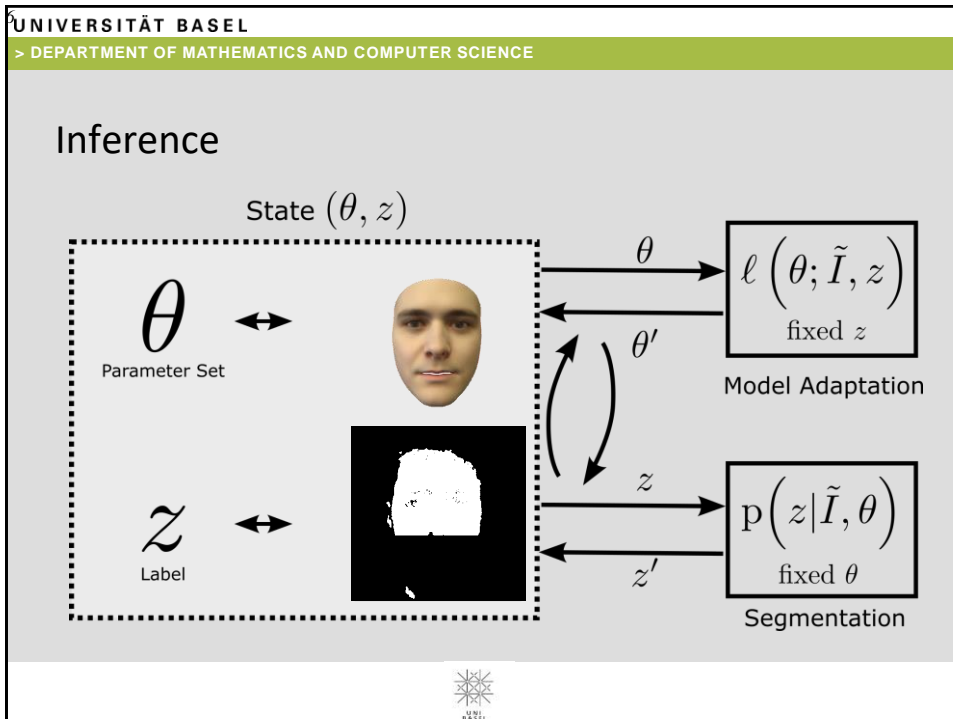


## Occlusion-aware Model



$$l(\theta; \tilde{I}, z) = \prod_i l_{face}(\theta; \tilde{I}_i)^z \cdot l_{non-face}(\theta; \tilde{I}_i)^{1-z}$$

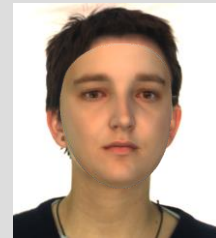






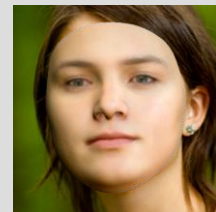
## Results: Qualitative

Source: AR Face Database



## Results: Qualitative




Source: AFLW Database






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# Results: Applications

Source: LFW Database



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