

Title: Recognition of Facial Expressions of Emotions

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Abstract:

This work addresses the topic of emotion recognition from facial expressions. The theoretical part starts with general information about emotions; the most elaborated part, however, concerns basic emotions and their manifestation. One part of this work is also about the ability to recognize emotions, its deficits, and its methods of measurement. The theoretical part is closed by the topic of emotional intelligence, which is the overarching element.

The empirical part focuses on the differences in the ability to recognize emotions. The results show that women are better in emotion recognition than men, similarly psychologists and coaches, unlike patients with a psychotic disorder whose results are sub-normal. The results also suggest the tendency of positive correlation between the level of education and the coveted ability – with increasing education the ability to recognize emotion expressions is improved. Subtle emotions are recognized with more difficulties in the test, but emotions displayed by out-group members are, against the expectations, better recognized. The results are unable to confirm the positive effect of a general training in emotions on the ability to recognize emotions with the aforementioned patients.

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Basic Emotion, Facial Expressions of Emotions, Emotion Recognition, Emotional Intelligence, Pathology of Emotion, Psychotic Disorders