



Spectral Measurement of Human Skin Colour

Kaida Xiao

University of Liverpool

ICC MIWG Meeting, Boston



Introduction



Objectives

- □ To establish a skin spectral database for different ethnic groups, aging and body areas;
- □ To develop a method to predict skin spectral using a digital camera;
- □ To develop a skin image database covering true information of colour, spectral, texture, gloss, and shape.



Introduction



Why Spectral Reflectance?

- More informative
- □ Independent of illumination
- □ True colour reproduction
- □ Direct connects with skin chromophores
 - melanin, haemoglobin



Skin Measurement



Procedures

- ☐ Lighting measurement
- ☐ Image capture for colour chart
- □ Consent and information
- □ Spectrophotometer Measurement
- □ Spectroradiometer Measurement
- ☐ Skin image capture by a 2D camera
- ☐ Facial image capture by a 3D camera



Skin Measurement







Lighting in the booth

- □ Diffuse light
- ☐ D65 simulator

Lighting Measurement

- ☐ TSR (White Diffuser)
- □ Digital Camera (white board)



Skin Measurement



Spectrophotometer

- ☐ 10 body positions
- ☐ 2 measurement sizes
- ☐ Low measurement pressure
- ☐ 3 repetitions

Spectroradiotometer

- ☐ 5 body positions
- ☐ Fixed distance
- ☐ Fixed measurement angle
- ☐ 3 repetitions

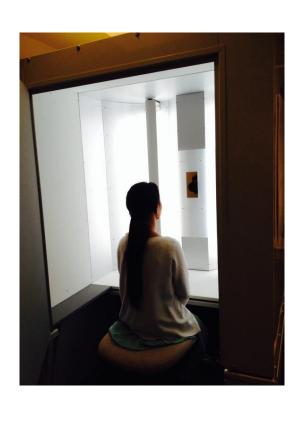








Digital SLR Camera



- ☐ Fixed capture distance
- ☐ Fixed capture angle
- ☐ Fixed lens focus
- ☐ Fixed exposure setting
- ☐ Fixed ISO setting
- ☐ Fixed white balance
- ☐ Save in raw image
- ☐ 3 repetitions





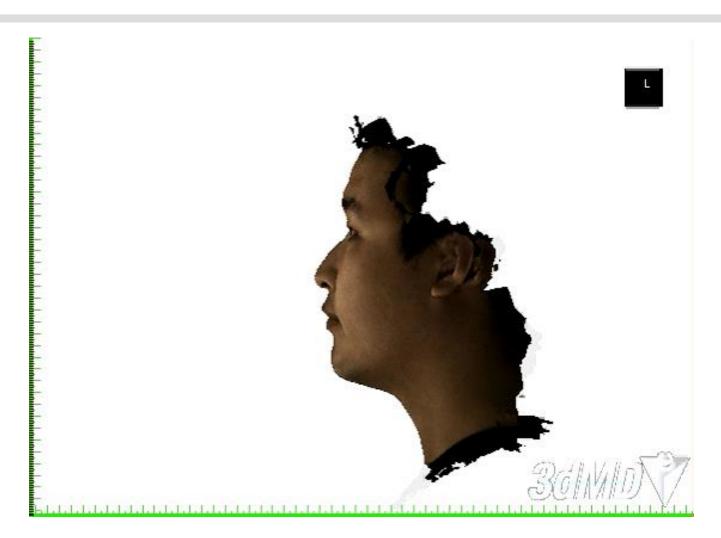
3D photogrammetry system

- ☐ Built-in flash lighting
- ☐ Room Lighting
- ☐ Fixed capture distance
- ☐ Fixed capture angle
- ☐ Fixed lens focus
- ☐ Fixed exposure setting
- ☐ Save in 3D image



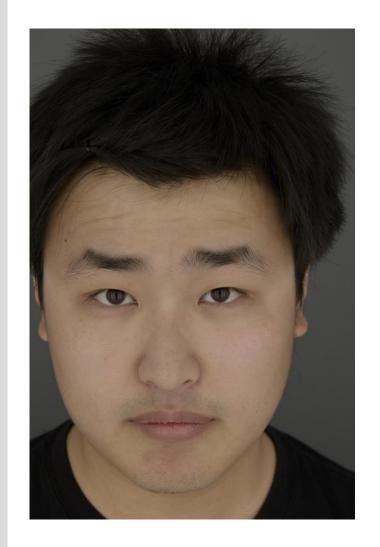


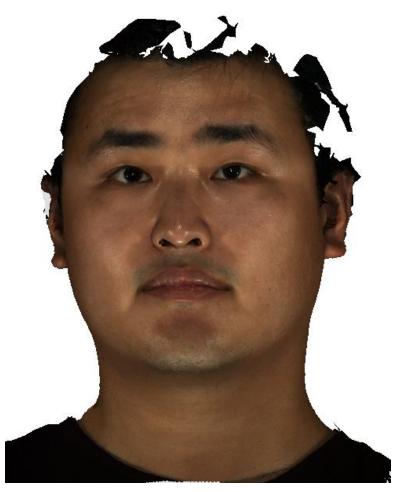












2D camera image

3D camera image



Skin Reflectance Prediction LIVERPO



Model Development

- ☐ Selection of colour chart
- ☐ Selection of skin colour database
- Applied Mathematical models
 - camera colour characterisation
 - camera sensitivity function prediction
 - skin reflectance re-construction

Model Evaluation

Proposed skin spectral data



Current progress



Skin spectral data

Caucasian	Oriental	Sub Asian	African
32	61	4	5

Skin colour chart

Silicone skin colour chart

Skin colour reflectance prediction model

New reflectance reconstruction model





Thanks

k.xiao@liverpool.ac.uk