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Foreword

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Introduction

Biometric systems can be vulnerable to presentation attacks where attackers attempt to subvert the system security policy by presenting their natural biometric characteristics or artefacts holding copied or faked characteristics. Presentation attacks can occur during enrolment or identification/verification events. Techniques designed to detect presentation artefacts are generally different from those to detect attacks where natural characteristics are used. Defence against presentation attacks with natural characteristics typically relies on the ability of a biometric system to discriminate between genuine enrollees and attackers based on the differences between their natural biometric characteristics. This ability is characterized by the biometric recognition performance of the system. Biometric recognition performance and presentation attack detection have a bearing on the security of biometric systems. Hence, the evaluation of these aspects of performance from a security viewpoint will become important considerations for the procurement of biometric products and systems.

Biometric products and systems share many of the properties of other IT products and systems which are amenable to security evaluation using the ISO/IEC 15408 series and ISO/IEC 18045 in the regular way. However, biometric systems embody certain functionality that needs specialized evaluation criteria and methodology which is not addressed by the ISO/IEC 15408 series and ISO/IEC 18045. Mainly, these relate to the evaluation of biometric recognition and presentation attack detection. These are the functions addressed in this document.

ISO/IEC 19792 describes these biometric-specific aspects and specifies principles to be considered during the security evaluation of biometric systems. However, it does not specify the concrete criteria and methodology that are needed for security evaluation based on the ISO/IEC 15408 series.

The ISO/IEC 19989 series provides a bridge between the evaluation principles for biometric products and systems defined in ISO/IEC 19792 and the criteria and methodology requirements for security evaluation based on the ISO/IEC 15408 series. The ISO/IEC 19989 series supplements the ISO/IEC 15408 series and ISO/IEC 18045 by providing extended security functional requirements together with assurance activities related to these requirements. The extensions to the requirements and assurance activities found in the ISO/IEC 15408 series and ISO/IEC 18045 relate to the evaluation of biometric recognition and presentation attack detection which are particular to biometric systems.

This document provides guidance and requirements to the developer and the evaluator for the supplementary activities on presentation attack detection specified in ISO/IEC 19989-1. It builds on the general considerations described in ISO/IEC 19792 and the presentation attack detection testing methodology described in ISO/IEC 30107-3 by providing additional guidance to the evaluator.

In this document, the term "user" is used to mean the term "capture subject" used in biometrics.