N-to-sRGB Mapping for Single-Sensor Multispectral Imaging

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Background

- Single-sensor multispectral imaging has received increasing attention.
 - \checkmark low cost and compact



Real Products

• It is becoming possible to manufacture a new image sensor for multispectral imaging.



http://www.ovt.com/products/sensor.php?id=145

IMEC hyperspectral sensor



http://www2.imec.be/content/user/File/Brochures/2015/HSI%20acti vity.pdf

Our Prototype Camera

• High-quality real-time 5-band imaging system



Monno et. al., "A Practical One-Shot Multispectral Imaging System Using a Single Image Sensor," TIP, 2015.

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Focus of This Paper

• "N-to-sRGB" mapping problem in single-sensor multispectral imaging.

Standard imaging pipeline



Mapping from N spectral bands to sRGB

Example: [R,G,B,NIR] -> sRGB



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Mapping Algorithms



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Problem in Single-Sensor Imaging



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Error Amplification and Propagation

• Toy example

- Only the NIR band contains demosaicking errors.



Proposed Mapping Pipeline

Simple and general pipeline with guided filtering



Main idea :

We apply the guided filtering in the mapped sRGB space using **one of input N band images before the error amplification and propagation** as a guide image.



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Our Motivation

• Our previously proposed filter array (TIP2015, EI2014)





Experimental Setups

Hyperspectral image dataset (420nm-1000nm)

- Captured using two Varispec filters
 - VIS (420nm-640nm) and SNIR (650nm-1000nm)
- 512 x 512 pixels
- 40 scenes
 - 20 scenes for training the mapping matrix
 - 20 scenes for testing



Experimental Setups

Illuminations

- Incandescent, diva (Kinoflo), LED, fluorescent, and daylight

Filter arrays

- RGB-NIR: Uniform, our proposed
- 5-band: Miao and Qi, our proposed
- Mapping algorithms
 - Linear, polynomial, and root-polynomial (Finlayson et al., TIP2015)

• Implementation of the guided filtering

- Guide image: G band for all filter arrays
- Window size: 5x5, smoothness parameter: 1e-10 (to avoid zero division)
- Three lines in MATLAB implementation if we use the author's code

Example code

sR = guidedfilter(Guide, sR_mapped, window radius = 2, eps = 1e-10);

- sG = guidedfilter(Guide, sG_mapped, window radius = 2, eps = 1e-10);
- sB = guidedfilter(Guide, sB_mapped, window radius = 2, eps = 1e-10);

Results: Numerical Evaluation

Comparison of angular errors



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Results: Visual Comparison

• Uniform RGB-NIR filter array (Polynomial)



Input RGB

Input NIR

Ground truth

Without GF

Proposed

• Our RGB-NIR filter array (Polynomial)



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Results: Visual Comparison

Miao and Qi 5-band filter array (Root-polynomial)



Input 5 band data

Ground truth

Without GF

Proposed

Our 5-band filter array (Root-polynomial)



Input 5 band data

Ground truth

Conclusion and Future Work

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 We have proposed a simple but effective pipeline of N-to-sRGB mapping with guided filtering in single-sensor multispectral imaging



- Future work
 - Consideration of noise effects



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Thank you for your attention !

