Deep compressive sensing with coded image sensor

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Abstract In this paper, we introduce a method of compressed sensing using coded CMOS sensors and the concept of deep sensing. By shifting the exposure timing for each pixel, temporal information can be encoded into a single image, which can then be applied to various tasks by recovering the temporal information through post-processing. Deep sensing is the concept of using an end-to-end neural network to represent sensing and reconstruction in compressed sensing. By jointly optimizing the sensing and reconstruction processes, deep sensing enhances reconstruction quality by enabling more efficient sensing compared to random sampling. We introduce the effectiveness of this approach through applications such as video compressed sensing, human action recognition from coded exposure images, compressed light field observation, and compressed transient image observation with depth map estimation.

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1. High-speed imaging with compressive sensing using coded exposure CMOS image sensor

Compressed sensing methods using temporally coded exposure have been proposed to improve the temporal resolution of image sensors [1-3]. Traditionally, high-frame-rate videos are captured by high-speed cameras, but these special sensors are expensive, have low spatial resolution, and have poor sensitivity. To solve this problem, a method has been proposed to encode temporal information in a single image by shifting the exposure timing for each pixel and to reconstruct a video from the captured image in post-processing.

2. Human action recognition using coded exposure images

A method of reconstruction-free action recognition from a single coded exposure image has been proposed [4,5]. For a camera, there is a trade-off between spatial resolution and frame rate. A feasible approach to overcome this trade-off is compressive video sensing. Compressive video sensing uses random coded exposure and reconstructs higher than read out of sensor frame rate video from a single coded image. It is possible to recognize an action in a scene from a single coded image because the image contains multiple temporal information for reconstructing a video. Unlike ordinary images, encoded exposure images are not suitable for deep learning using convolution because neighboring pixels have different information. A convolution layer with a shift-displacement kernel was used to solve this problem.

3. Dynamic light field imaging with coded aperture and coded exposure

Mizuno et al. propose a method for compressively acquiring a dynamic light field (a 5-D volume) through a single-shot coded image (a 2-D measurement) [6,7]. They designed an imaging model that synchronously applies aperture coding and pixel-wise exposure coding within a single exposure time. This coding scheme enables us to effectively embed the original information into a single observed image. The observed image is then fed to a convolutional neural network (CNN) for light-field reconstruction, which is jointly trained with the camera-side coding patterns. They also developed a hardware prototype to capture a real 3-D scene moving over time. They succeeded in acquiring a dynamic light field with 5x5 viewpoints over 4 temporal sub-frames (100 views in total) from a single observed image. Repeating capture and reconstruction processes over time, a dynamic light field can be acquired at 4x the frame rate of the camera.

4. Compressive transient imaging and depth estimation with optimal coded shutter

Transient imaging, which uses a multi-tap coded exposure CMOS image sensor to observe the propagation of light through a time-coded exposure, has been proposed [9,10]. Conventional transient imaging requires a special sensor and has problems with resolution, SNR, and measurement time. To solve this problem, a multi-tap encoded shutter CMOS sensor [8] was used to acquire transient images by compressed sensing. A multi-tap CMOS sensor is a sensor that has multiple circuits (taps) to store the charge generated by photodiodes, and achieves high temporal resolution by switching the taps to be transferred at high speed. However, a uniform shutter cannot observe enough temporal information, so enough temporal information is convolved into each tap by temporal encoding and observed. By reconstructing the transient image from observations, we reduce the MPI effect in ToF imaging. This method can be applied to dynamic scenes because a coded shutter sensor can observe the scene response in a single shot. Furthermore, we improve depth estimation accuracy by optimizing the reconstruction network with a coded shutter that compresses the scene response. Furthermore, the coded shutter that compresses the scene response is optimized simultaneously with the reconstruction network to improve reconstruction quality and depth estimation accuracy.

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Recognition results					
		Accuracy [%]			
Input		Model	Top1	Тор3	Тор5
Video (upper bound) C3D		C3D	39.31	61.97	70.05
Single Image	Code exposure (Proposed)	SVC2D	29.37	47.39	56.33
	Long exposure	C2D	10.82	22.83	30.20
	Short exposure	C2D	10.32	21.85	28.58
1	Video Coded			Short	



















