IMAGE FUSION USING DWT

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Abstract

Fusion of images plays a very crucial role for proper diagnosis in the medical fields. Medical image fusion can be defined as the method of gathering relevant data information multiple images and poured into a single one. So the important information from the images sources are taken which finally ends up in having better or more reliable medical image with which diagnosis becomes easy and more reliable. The report present Medical image fusion in transform domain by using DWT which is also called as Discrete Wavelet Transform . We will be using Neuro images for it, Neuro-imaging refers to the use of radio-logical and other techniques to make images of the living human system. X-rays were and still are valuable for detecting fractures and other bony abnormalities, but they're doing not show the soft tissues of the nervous system itself. The fusion of these images will give better information about the patient medical status. Here DWT preserve more detail in source images and further improves the quality of fused image. The Proposed report uses approximation and detailed layers to get the most visual appealing experience.

1 Introduction

Image fusion is identified because the technique of mixing over one image from varied environments of same scene into one image. Image fusion can be identified as the method of combining more than one image from various environments of same scene into a single image.
The main purpose after the image fusion is
1. Improving the Quality together with the reliability
2. Increasing the application of the data.
3. Integration of the different pictures into one.
With the increasing technology the it has been possible to deal with the human Nervous sytem and diagnose it.new image containing information the quality of which cannot be achieved otherwise. We have three kind of fusion of the images operator.

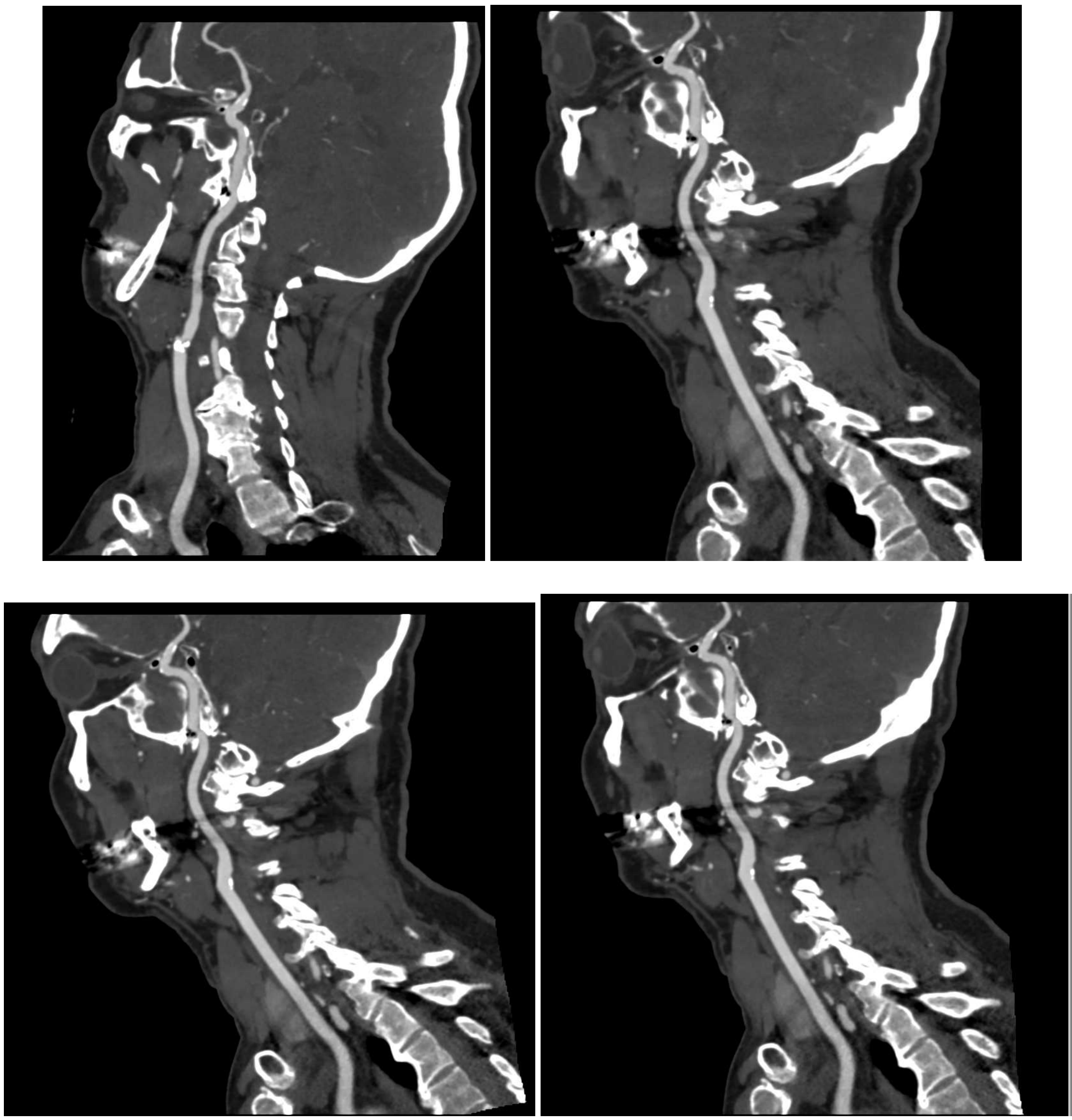
This can be regarding the study of the human system and its functioning. In this report we'll be managing the assorted Neuro image to and attempting to fuse them up to make the foremost informative image.It helps to diagnose the diseases like tumor, cancer, fracture in bones, ulcer and stones in the body etc. effectively. Discrete Wavelet(DWT) is easy to implement, reduces the computation time, resources required and it also provides energy compaction, larger SNR and More accurate clinical information for medical diagnosis and evaluation.Neuro science is the also called the Neural science . This is about the study of the human nervous system and its functioning. In this report we will be dealing with the various Neuro picture to and trying to fuse them up to create the most informative picture.

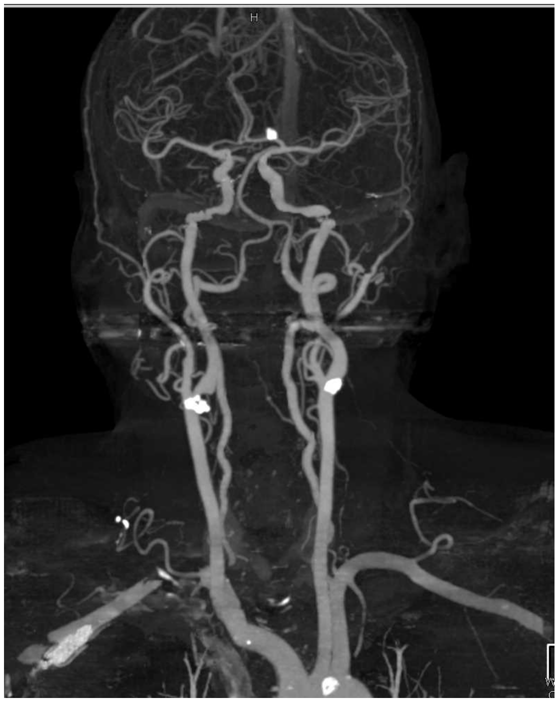
1.1 Background

Many literature reviews has been taken on the existing image fusion methods. In many medical applications and disease diagnosis, image fusion is the most significant tool for the the purpose of doing interpretation of the quality of images and the data acquired through it. This is either functional or having high spatial resolution determining it also one of the crucial measure. Usually, MRI image shows structural information of the brain without any functional data, where as PET image come up with functional information of the mind but with poor spatial resolution. Therefore, image fusion is conceded to improve functional image's spatial resolution through which original functional characteristics is preserved.

2 Datasets used

Here in this work i have been using 6 images to fused them up and generating a fused image.



3 Literature

The wavelet function is kind of similar to the windowed version of the Fourier transform but having a totally different kind of merits. The conventional Fourier transform is being used to break and analyse the signal into sine and the cosine ,so the function localized in both real and Fourier space transform used function which re localizes in both real and Fourier space. Generally the Wavelet used to be Expressed as :

$$F(a,b) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) * \varphi(x)\, dx$$

it is usually observed that the Wavelet transform is in real an infinite set of various transforms, depending on the merit function used for its computation. This is the prime reason, why we can hear the term “wavelet transform” in very different situations and applications. There are also many ways how to sort the types of the wavelet transforms. Here we show only the division based on the wavelet orthogonal nature. We can use orthogonal wavelets for discrete wavelet transform(DWT) development and non-orthogonal wavelets for continuous wavelet transform development. These two transforms have the following prime properties:

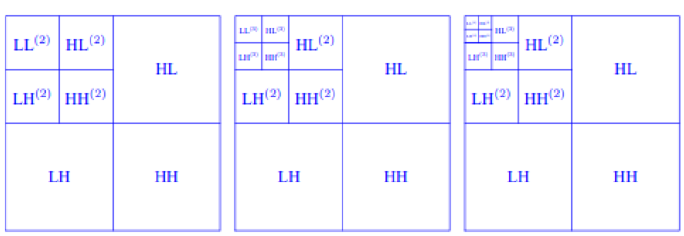
1.The DWT provides a data vector of equal length as the input is. Usually, even in this vector many data are zero or almost zero.Which means it is sparse this corresponds to the fact that it breaks into a set of wavelets functions that are orthogonal to its translations and scaling operations. Therefore we decompose or break such a signal to a same or lower number of the wavelet coefficient spectrum as is the number of signal data points. Such a wavelet spectrum is very good for signal processing and compression because of the sparse nature, due to which we can ignore the zeros terms.

2.The continuous wavelet transform(CWT) in contrary returns an array one dimension larger than the input data dimensions. For a 1D data we obtain an image of the time-frequency plane. We can easily see the signal frequencies evolution during the duration of the signal and compare the spectrum with other signals spectra. As here is used the non orthogonal set of wavelets, data are highly correlated, so big redundancy is seen here. This helps to see the results in a more humane form.
Here is this work we will be exploring the DWT on the images only

3.1 Proposed Method

Now we are able to discuss the separable two dimensional **Discrete Wavelet Transform** in detail. we Consider an image of size N N. After one level of transform we obtain N/2 coefficients c0,l and N/2 coefficients d0,k with 0 l, k < N/2. These are given in interleaved order, that is
$(c_{0,0}, d_{(0,0)}, c_{(0,1)}, d_{(0,1)}, \ldots, c_{(0,N1)}, d_{(0,N1)})$
because of the split in odd and even indexed positions in the Lifting Scheme. Usually the row of is rearranged to because we will apply the transform on the low frequency coefficient recursively: $r^0 = (c_{0,0}, c_{0,1}, \ldots c_{0,N-1}, d_{0,0}, d_{0,1}, \ldots d_{0,N-1})$

Suppose we have already transformed and rearranged all rows of a given image as described above. If we store the computed coefficients in place, that is in the memory space of the original image, we obtain a new array with a structure



(a) two levels of 2D-DWT (b) three levels of 2D-DWT (c) four levels of 2D-DWT

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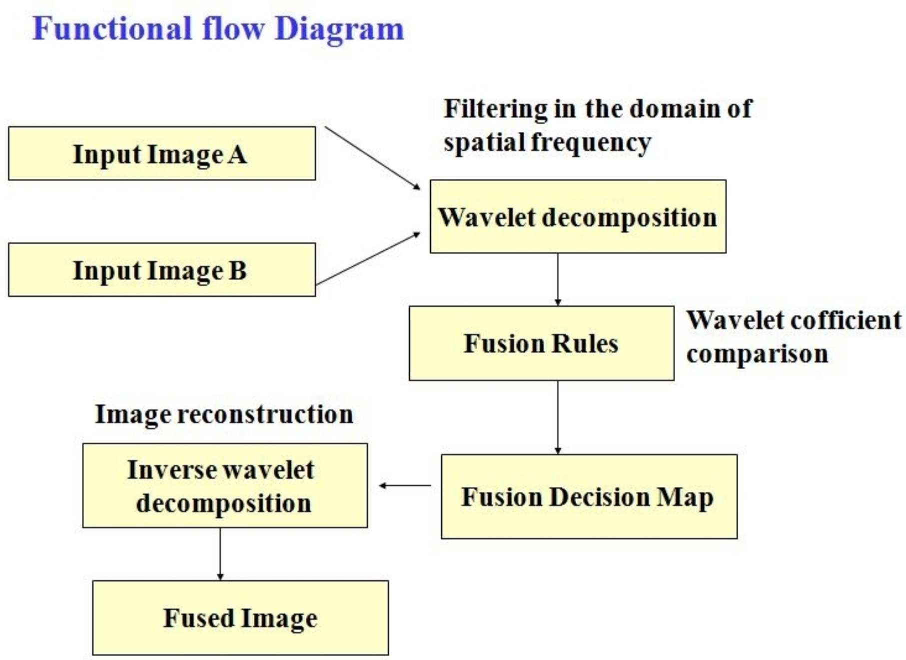
4 Methodology

4.1 Algorithm

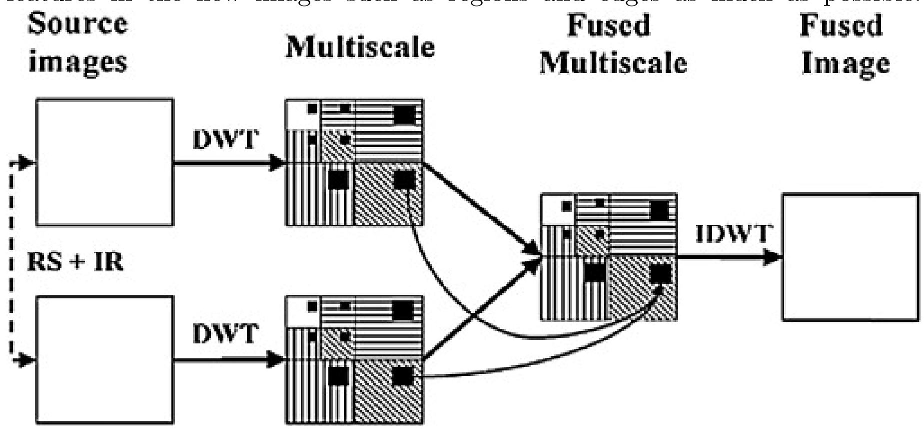
Here the methodology involved is very simple, the very first thing we will be performing the discrete wavelet transform on the different images and calculating the approximate and the detailed coefficients.The very first requirement of the fusion is that the number of the coefficient should be same to perform averaging of the kind of operation and for this,first we reshape all the images and bring the number of the pixel to same ,Now we perform the discrete wavelet transform on the image,we will get the detail and the approximate coefficient.



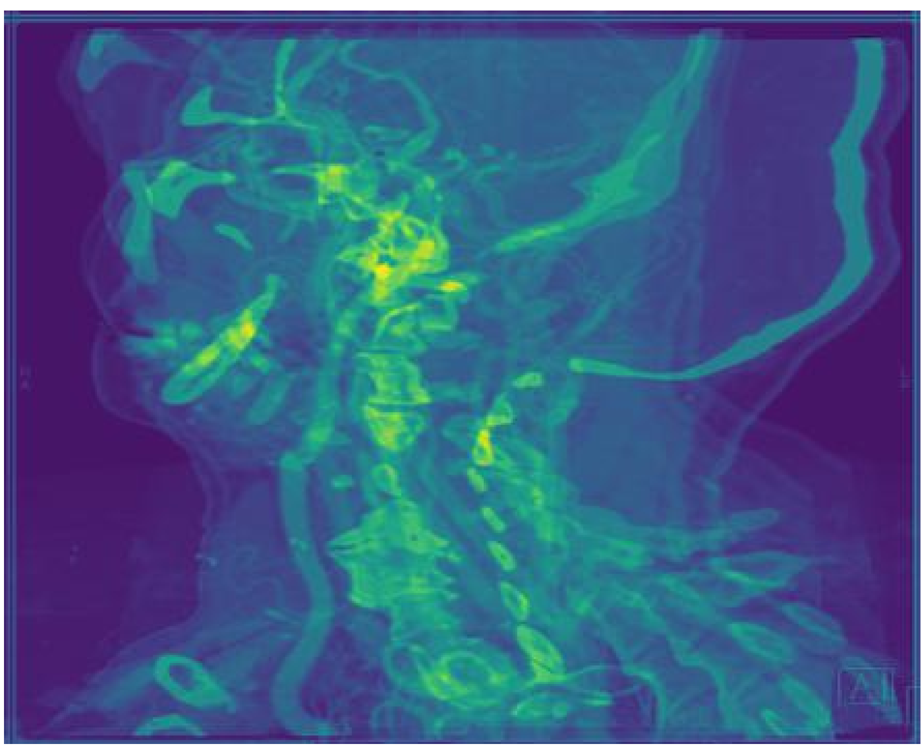
Now we further do the further level of decomposition recursively for my approximate coefficients and , now when we have obtained all the coefficient , we will choose the coefficient as per the fusion rule, either Maximum,Minimum or the average of the all coefficient so in that we will end up with the image, which is having more information than any of the source images. and hence the objective of the image fusion is achieved.

4.2 Formulations

first, the input images to be fused are decomposed by forward wavelet transformation. In this case, each image is decomposed into the same levels using a periodic discrete wavelet transform. The wavelet transform decomposes each image into low- and high-frequency subband images.The third step is to combine the information from each image by fusion rules. It must be pointed out that the main idea of wavelet-based image fusion is motivated by the factor that the subband images constitute the details and the features of the original images. Low-frequency subbands related to the coarse part of the images, while high-frequency corresponds to the region boundaries or edges. Therefore, the general principle of making fusion rules is to keep the salient features in the new images such as regions and edges as much as possible.



4.3 Plots tables and outputs



5 Conclusions

we proposed the discrete wavelet based fusion approach for the CT-SCAN of Neuro images. The work has tested on three dataset named as for normal axial. The wavelet decomposition of the dataset has been done four level with low and high activity region. The quality of the fused image is tested using the maximum,average and minimum approach for the fusion. The experiment is tested over the haar wavelet approach. This experiment can be extended towards the haar and db1wavelet for the three dimensional medical multi-model database with for fusion.

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