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INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE

Abstract

An information processing device of the present invention includes a detection means that detects the content of an image, a determination means that determines a processing mode for the image based on the result of detection of the content of the image, and an execution means that executes processing for a captured image corresponding to the processing mode.

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Background/Summary

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS [0001] The present application is a continuation application of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 18/235,758 filed on Aug. 18, 2023, which is a continuation application of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 17/422,043 filed on Jul. 9, 2021, which issued as U.S. Pat. No. 11,893,797, which is a National Stage Entry of international application PCT/JP2019/001465, filed on Jan. 18, 2019, the disclosures of all of which are incorporated in their entirety by reference herein.

TECHNICAL FIELD

[0002] The present invention relates to an information processing device that controls processing for a captured image of a target place, an information processing method, and a program.

BACKGROUND ART

[0003] In places where a large number of unspecified persons gather such as an airport, a station, a store, and an event venue, a surveillance camera for detecting the action of a person and the person himself/herself is installed. From an image captured by the surveillance camera, processing is performed, for example, detection of the movement condition of a crowd including a large number of persons and detection of a previously registered person by face authentication.

[0004] As an example, Patent Document 1 describes detecting a target object from an input image captured by a camera and extracting a feature value. To be specific, Patent Document 1 describes assessing and selecting a detection method and an extraction method for an input image per time.

[0005] Patent Document 1: International Application Publication No. 2014/155639

[0006] However, in the technique of Patent Document 1 described above, only switching processing for an input image per time is performed. For this reason, it is impossible to perform processing for an input image efficiently and appropriately. As a result, there arises a problem that it is impossible to efficiently utilize an image capturing device installed for taking an input image.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0007] Accordingly, an object of the present invention is to solve the abovementioned problem that it is impossible to efficiently utilize an image capturing device.

[0008] An information processing device according to an aspect of the present invention includes: a detection means that detects a content of a captured image; a determination means that determines a processing mode for the captured image based on a result of detection of the content of the captured image; and an execution means that executes processing for the captured image, the processing corresponding to the processing mode.

[0009] Further, a computer program according to another aspect of the present invention includes instructions for causing an information processing device to realize: a detection means that detects a content of a captured image; a determination means that determines a processing mode for the captured image based on a result of detection of the content of the captured image; and an execution means that executes processing for the captured image, the processing corresponding to the processing mode.

[0010] Further, an information processing method according to another aspect of the present invention includes: detecting a content of a captured image; determining a processing mode for the captured image based on a result of detection of the content of the captured image; and executing processing for the captured image, the processing corresponding to the processing mode.

[0011] With the configurations as described above, the present invention allows for efficient use of an image capturing device.

Description

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[0012] FIG. 1 is a view showing the entire configuration of an information processing system according to a first example embodiment of the present invention;

[0013] FIG. 2 is a view showing the entire configuration of the information processing system according to the first example embodiment of the present invention;

[0014] FIG. 3A is a block diagram showing the configuration of a monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0015] FIG. 3B is a view showing an example of information stored in a determination criteria storage part of the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 3A;

[0016] FIG. 4 is a view showing how control processing is performed by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0017] FIG. 5 is a view showing how control processing is performed by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0018] FIG. 6 is a view showing how control processing is performed by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0019] FIG. 7 is a view showing how control processing is performed by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0020] FIG. 8 is a flowchart showing a processing operation by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0021] FIG. 9 is a view showing how monitoring a captured image is performed by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1;

[0022] FIG. 10 is a view showing how monitoring a captured image is performed by the monitoring device disclosed in FIG. 1; and

[0023] FIG. 11 is a block diagram showing the configuration of an information processing device in a second example embodiment of the present invention.

EXAMPLE EMBODIMENT

First Example Embodiment

[0024] A first example embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIGS. 1 to 10. FIGS. 1 to 7 are views for describing the configuration of an information processing system. FIGS. 8 to 10 are views for describing a processing operation of the information processing system.

Configuration

[0025] The information processing system according to the present invention is a system that controls a camera C serving as an image capturing device installed in a target place indoors or outdoors and controls processing for a captured image. In this example embodiment, an information processing system that includes a plurality of cameras C installed in a stadium S, which is a target place, where events such as a sport and a concert are held will be described as an example. However, the information processing system according to the present invention may be used in any place.

[0026] As shown in FIG. 1, the cameras C configuring the information processing system include an internal camera that captures images of the inside of the stadium S as a target place, namely, captures images of a place where an event is held such as the ground and a stand, and an external camera that captures images of the outside of the stadium S, namely, captures images of the vicinity of an entrance/exit gate and the surroundings of the stadium. FIG. 2 illustrates the camera C that

captures images of the vicinity of an entrance/exit gate G. However, a place to install the camera C is not limited to the abovementioned place.

[0027] As shown in FIGS. **1** and **2**, the information processing system in this example embodiment includes a monitoring device **10** connected to the cameras C, and an output device **20** and an information provision device **30** that are connected to the monitoring device **10**. The monitoring device **10** executes analysis processing on a captured image captured by the camera C and control processing for the camera C. The output device **20** outputs a captured image and also outputs the result of processing executed by the monitoring device **10**. The information provision device **30** provides various kinds of information such as the progress status of an event held in the stadium S and the weather information of the vicinity of the stadium S. Below, the respective components will be described in detail.

[0028] The monitoring device **10** is configured by one or a plurality of information processing devices each including an arithmetic logic unit and a storage unit. As shown in FIG. **3A**, the monitoring device **10** includes a video detection part **11**, an information acquisition part **12**, a processing mode determination part **13**, and a control part **14** that are constructed by the arithmetic logic unit executing a program. Moreover, the monitoring device **10** includes a determination criteria storage part **16** formed in the storage unit.

[0029] First, the video detection part **11** (detection means) receives captured images captured by the camera C at predetermined time intervals. For example, as shown in FIG. **2**, the video detection part **11** receives a captured image captured by the camera C installed in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G from this camera C. Then, from the shape, color, motion and so on of an object shown in the captured image, the video detection part **11** detects the content of the captured image, specifically in this example embodiment, detects the condition of persons P in the captured image (step S1 in FIG. **8**). For example, the video detection part **11** detects the number, density and movement direction of the persons P detected from the captured image. Then, the video detection part **11** notifies the detected condition of the persons P to the processing mode determination part **13**.

[0030] The information acquisition part **12** acquires various kinds of information such as the progress status of an event being held in the stadium S and the weather information of the vicinity of the stadium S from the information provision device **30** connected to the monitoring device **10** via a network (step S2 in FIG. **8**). To be specific, the information acquisition part **12** acquires information such as before the start of the game, during the game, and after the end of the game as the progress status of a game (match) being played in the stadium S, and weather information such as sunny, rainy, and temperature as the current weather information of the vicinity of the stadium S. Then, the information acquisition part **12** notifies the acquired information to the processing mode determination part **13**.

[0031] Meanwhile, the video detection part **11** may detect the game progress status and the weather information mentioned above based on the content of the captured image captured with the camera C and notify the detected information to the processing mode determination part **13**. For example, the video detection part **11** detects the number of the persons P on the ground, the presence/absence of a referee, motion, and so on based on the captured image captured with the camera C in the stadium S, and detects whether the progress status of the game is before the start of the game, during the game, or after the end of the game from the detected content. Besides, the video detection part **11** detects whether the person P as a spectator in the captured image is using an umbrella, noise of the image due to rain, and so on, and detects the weather information such as sunny or rainy from the detected content. The video detection part **11** may detect various kinds of information of the stadium S such as the above-described progress status and weather information from the video image by any method.

[0032] Based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image notified from the video detection part **11** and the information notified from the information acquisition part **12**, the

processing mode determination part **13** (determination means) determines a processing mode to be executed for the captured image (step S3 in FIG. 8). Determination criteria for determining a processing mode based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image and the information received from the information acquisition part **12** are stored in the determination criteria storage part **15** of the monitoring device **10**. Therefore, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode using the determination criteria.

[0033] A processing mode to be executed for a captured image includes analysis processing for a captured image and control processing for the camera C for capturing an image. Furthermore, specifically, analysis processing for a captured image includes crowd detection processing, action detection processing, and face authentication processing on a person shown in a captured image. Control processing for the camera C includes control processing such as operation/stop, zoom, field angle switching and movement of the camera.

[0034] For example, as shown in FIG. 3B, the determination criteria described above are stored in association with processing modes. In the example of FIG. 3B, a determination criterion for a captured image or acquired information, an area (camera) that is the target of a processing mode to be determined, and a processing mode to be determined (analysis processing and control processing) are associated with each other.

[0035] A specific example of determination processing by the processing mode determination part **13** will be described. In this example, a case where a determination criterion No. 1 shown in FIG. 3B is applied will be described. When receiving information representing the number or density of the persons P shown in a captured image as the content of the captured image from the camera C installed in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G, the processing mode determination part **13** checks whether or not the number or density of the persons exceeds a threshold for determining as a crowd. When the number or density of the persons exceeds the threshold as shown in FIG. 4, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for a captured image captured by the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G to be analysis processing of “crowd detection processing” (Yes at step S4, step S5 in FIG. 8). Crowd detection processing is processing for detecting whether a crowd is formed by the persons in a captured image captured by the camera C, the movement direction and moving speed of the crowd, and so on, and is executed by an analysis engine E connected to the monitoring device **10**. Besides, when the number or density of the persons exceeds the threshold and the processing mode is determined to be analysis processing of the “crowd detection processing”, the processing mode determination part **13** also determines to perform zoom control processing for the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G (Yes at step S6, step S7 in FIG. 8). That is to say, in this case, the processing mode determination part **13** determines to perform zoom-down control so as to be able to capture a whole image in order to facilitate the crowd detection processing for the captured image.

[0036] Further, as an example, a case where a determination criterion No. 2 shown in FIG. 3B is applied will be described. When the number or density of the persons P shown in a captured image received from the camera C installed in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G is equal to or less than a threshold as shown in FIG. 5 in contrast with the abovementioned case, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for the camera C to be analysis processing of “face authentication processing”. Face authentication processing is authentication processing for extracting a feature value from a face image of a person in a captured image and checking whether the face image agrees with a previously registered face image, and is executed by the analysis engine E connected to the monitoring device **10**. Moreover, when the number or density of the persons is equal to or less than the threshold and the processing mode is determined to be analysis processing of the face authentication processing, the processing mode determination part **13** also determines to perform zoom control processing for the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G. That is to say, in this case, the processing mode determination part **13** determines to perform zoom-up control so as to be able to capture a close image in order to facilitate acquisition

of a face image of the person in the captured image.

[0037] Further, as an example, a case where a determination criterion No. 3, 4 or 5 shown in FIG. 3B is applied will be described. When receiving information representing the progress status of an event held in the stadium S from the information acquisition part **12**, the processing mode determination part **13** checks the content of the progress status. Then, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode in accordance with the progress status of the event. For example, when the progress status is “before start of game”, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for a captured image captured by the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G to be “face authentication processing”, and also determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-up control”. When the progress status is “during game”, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for a captured image captured by the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G to be “action detection processing”, and also determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-down control”. When the progress status is “after end of game”, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for a captured image captured by the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G to be “crowd detection processing”, and also determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-down control”. The abovementioned “action detection processing” is analysis processing for detecting a person who is taking a specific action such as a suspicious action or a stagger from the flow lines or motions of the persons P in the captured image, and is executed by the analysis engine E connected to the monitoring device **10**.

[0038] Further, as an example, a case where the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode based on both the content of a captured image and information of a target place will be described. In this case, “progress status: before start of game” and “image captured by camera **1**: number/density of persons \leq threshold” are set as determination criteria, and “face authentication processing” and “zoom-up” are set as processing modes corresponding to the above. When the progress status is before the start of a game and the number or density of the persons P in a captured image captured by the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G is equal to or less than a threshold, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing for the captured image captured by the camera C to be analysis processing of the “face authentication processing”, and determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-up control”. Moreover, as another example, when the progress status is before the start of a game and the number or density of the persons P in the captured image captured by the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G exceeds the threshold, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for the captured image captured by the camera C to be analysis processing of the “crowd detection processing” and determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-down control”.

[0039] Further, as an example, a case where a determination criterion No. 6 shown in FIG. 3B is applied will be described. The processing mode determination part **13** checks from the progress status of an event of the stadium S whether the event is being held in the stadium S. For example, the processing mode determination part **13** collects information on the progress status of the event such as a timetable, a period of time elapsed after the start of the event, and the actions (left or seated) of the spectators analyzed from the captured image, and checks whether the event has not been held or has ended or in another progress status (being held, on break, etc.). In the case of detecting that the event is not being held, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode of controlling operation/stop of the camera C or the analysis engine. For example, as indicated by a cross mark in FIG. 6, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for the camera C in the vicinity of the entrance/exit gate G to be “stop”, and stops capturing an image. Moreover, as indicated by the cross mark in FIG. 6, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for part of the cameras C capturing an image of the inside of the stadium S to be “stop” and determines a processing mode for the remaining

cameras C to be “action detection processing”, and also determines a processing mode for these cameras C to be “zoom-down control”. With this, it is possible to detect an illegal intruder in the stadium S while restricting the number of the operating cameras.

[0040] Further, as an example, a case where a determination criterion No. 7 shown in FIG. 3B is applied will be described. When receiving weather information around the stadium S from the information acquisition part **12**, the processing mode determination part **13** checks the content of the weather. Then, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode in accordance with a weather condition. For example, when the weather around the stadium S is “sunny”, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for a captured image captured by the camera C in the stadium S to be “action detection processing”, and also determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-down control”. On the other hand, as an example where another determination criterion is applied, when the weather around the stadium S is “rainy”, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for only part of the cameras C capturing an image of the inside of the stadium S to be “stop” as shown in FIG. 7, and stops analysis processing for the captured image. This is because it is anticipated that more spectators put up umbrellas due to rain and hence the processing accuracy of the action detection processing will get lower, so that the processing mode determination part **13** stops capturing an image and the analysis processing. As an example in which still another criterion is applied, when the temperature around the stadium S is high and is equal to or more than a threshold, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for a captured image captured by the camera C in the stadium S to be “action detection processing”, and also determines a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-up control”. With this, it is possible to detect a spectator in the stadium S in a bad physical condition, for example, a spectator who is staggering.

[0041] As described above, when the video detection part **11** detects the progress status of an event or weather information around the stadium S from the content of a captured image, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode based on the progress status of the event and the weather information notified from the video detection part **11**.

[0042] In the above description, the processing mode determination part **13** determines to execute one kind of analysis processing on a captured image of one area (camera). However, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine to execute multiple kinds of analysis processing on a captured image of one area (camera). That is to say, as indicated by a determination criterion No. 8 of FIG. 3B, regarding a determination criterion “number/density of persons \leq threshold 2”, multiple kinds of analysis processing “face authentication processing” and “crowd detection processing” may be associated with an area **1** (camera **1**). In this case, both the kinds of analysis processing “face authentication processing” and “crowd detection processing” are executed on a captured image of the area **1** (camera **1**). In a case where one analysis processing “face authentication process” is set to be “prior” as indicated by the determination criterion No. 8 of FIG. 3B, the processing mode determination part **13** determines to execute “face authentication processing” in prior to “crowd detection processing”. In this case, “face authentication processing” is executed by the analysis engine E earlier in order than “crowd detection processing”, or more resources such as CPU of the analysis engine E are assigned to “face authentication processing” than “crowd detection processing”. In a case where the resources are a little, only “face authentication processing” is executed. Besides, for “face authentication processing”, the number of frames of a captured image to be used is more than for “crowd detection processing”, or processing is executed in higher image quality than for “crowd detection processing”. Thus, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine the processing level of a processing mode.

[0043] Further, in the above description, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode for each area (camera). However, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode for each of the division regions obtained by dividing an area, namely, an image captured by the camera C into a plurality of regions. For example, the processing mode

determination part **13** may determine a processing mode for a left half region of a captured image to be “face authentication processing” because the left half region satisfies the determination criterion “number/density \leq threshold”, and may determine a processing mode for a right half region of the captured image to be “crowd authentication processing” because the right half region satisfies the determination criterion “number/density $>$ threshold”. Meanwhile, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode for the left half region of the captured image to be “face authentication processing” and determine no processing mode for the right half region of the captured image. In this case, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode for the camera C to be “zoom-up control” so as to correspond to “face authentication processing” for the left half region. Besides, in a case where a person shown in the left half region of the captured image for which a processing mode has been determined to be “face authentication processing” has moved, the processing mode determination part **13** may change and set a region for which a processing mode has been determined to be “face authentication processing” in accordance with the movement of the person. Thus, for each region of a captured image, the processing mode determination part **13** may check whether or not the region satisfies the determination criterion and determine a process mode.

[0044] In the above description, a case where the processing mode determination part **13** detects, as the content of a captured image, the “number or density” of persons shown in the captured image and determines a processing mode has been described. However, the processing mode determination part **13** may detect the content of a captured image as shown below and determine a processing mode. For example, the processing mode determination part **13** may detect the movement direction of a person shown in a captured image, and determine a processing mode to be the face authentication processing when the person is moving toward the camera and determine a processing mode to be whole-body authentication processing when the person is moving away. Whole-body authentication processing is person authentication processing with a whole-body image including the cloths, hair style, silhouette, belongings and so on of a person. Moreover, for example, the processing mode determination part **13** may detect a face region of a person shown in a captured image, and determine a processing mode to be the face authentication processing when a face size exceeds a predetermined value and determine a processing mode to be the whole-body authentication processing when the face size is equal to or less than the predetermined value. Moreover, for example, the processing mode determination part **13** may detect the action of a person shown in a captured image and, when detecting a specific action (e.g., the person is swinging something, is wrestling with someone, or falls), determine a processing mode to be control processing of zooming up the camera. However, the content of a captured image used when the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode is not limited to the abovementioned ones.

[0045] In the examples using the information of FIG. 3B described above, the processing mode determination part **13** determines a processing mode depending on whether or not one kind of information among the content of a captured image, the progress status of an event and weather information satisfies its determination criterion. However, in a case where multiple kinds of information satisfy their determination criteria, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode associated with these determination criteria. That is to say, in a case where one kind of information among the content of a captured image, the progress status of an event and weather information satisfies its determination criterion or two or three kinds of information among the above satisfy their determination criteria, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode associated with the determination criterion/criteria. To be specific, in a case where the content of a captured image and the progress status of an event, or the content of a captured image and weather information, or the progress status of an event and weather information, or the content of a captured image, the progress status of an event and weather information satisfy their determination criteria, the processing mode

determination part **13** may determine a processing mode associated with these determination criteria. Furthermore, at this time, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode depending on whether or not multiple pieces of information in one kind satisfy the determination criteria. For example, in a case where, of the content of a captured image, the number/density of persons and the movement direction of a person satisfy the determination criteria, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine a processing mode associated with the determination criteria. Besides, in the examples of FIG. **3B**, a case of determining a processing mode to be only “analysis processing” and a case of determining both “analysis processing” and “camera control processing” have been described. However, the processing mode determination part **13** may determine only “camera control processing”.

[0046] The control part **14** (notification means, execution means) first outputs the processing mode determined as described above through the output device **20**, thereby notifying to the outside. Moreover, the control part **14** executes processing for to the captured image corresponding to the determined processing mode (step **S8** in FIG. **8**). That is to say, in accordance with the determined processing mode, the control part **14** executes operation/stop control and zoom control for the camera **C**, and controls the respective analysis engines **E** to execute various kinds of analysis processing on the captured image. Furthermore, the control part **14** outputs the processing result of the executed analysis processing through the output device **20**. With this, a guard of the stadium **S** can recognize a processing mode to be executed and also recognize the result of processing.

[0047] An example of when the abovementioned control part **14** outputs through the output device **20** how analysis processing is executed on a captured image is described in FIGS. **9** and **10**. First, as shown in FIG. **9**, the output device **20** displays an image display region **21** for displaying a captured image, a camera name display region **22** for displaying the name of a camera capturing the captured image displayed in the screen display region **21**, an analysis processing name display region **23** for displaying the name of analysis processing executed on the captured image, an announced analysis processing name display region **24** for displaying the name of analysis processing to which processing is switched, and a stop button **25**.

[0048] The example of FIG. **9** shows how the “face authentication processing” is executed on a captured image captured by the camera **C** of a “gate camera **1**”. At this time, the whole captured image may be output in the whole region of the image display region **21**. However, in this example, a reduced whole captured image **21a** is displayed in the upper left corner, and a part **21b** of the captured image **21a** is enlarged and displayed in the whole image display region **21**. The enlarged image **22b** is display showing the processing result of the face authentication processing executed on the captured image **21a**, specifically, an enlarged image of a region where a person who answers a previously registered person is found by face authentication. At this time, in the enlarged image **21b**, the face portion of the person who answers the registered person as a result of the face authentication processing is displayed in an emphasized manner. For example, the person who answers the registered person is blacked and the face portion of this person is boxed. Meanwhile, in a case where the face authentication processing is executed and a person who answers a registered person is not found, the whole captured image is displayed in the image display region **21** as shown in FIG. **10**.

[0049] While the face authentication processing is executed on a captured image as described above, the processing mode determination part **13** performs determination of a new processing mode. That is to say, in a case where the content of a captured image, the progress status of an event, or weather information satisfies another determination criterion, the processing mode determination part **13** determines another processing mode associated with the other determination criterion. Then, the control part **14** displays/outputs the newly determined other processing mode in the announced analysis processing name display region **24**, and switches the processing mode to a new processing mode after a certain time. For example, in the example of FIG. **10**, the number of persons in a captured image has increased and the number/density of the persons has exceeded a

threshold, so that the processing mode determination part **13** determines the analysis processing of the processing mode to be the “crowd detection processing” and displays it in the announced analysis name display region **24**. At this time, in the case of desiring to switch to the “crowd detection processing”, an operator operating the output device **20** pushes the stop button **25**. With this, the control part **14** does not switch analysis processing for the captured image to the “crowd detection processing” and keeps executing the “face authentication processing”. Meanwhile, after “crowd detection processing” is displayed in the announced analysis process name display region **24** and a certain time passes without the stop button **25** being pressed, the control part **14** switches the analysis processing for the captured image to the “crowd detection processing”.

[0050] In a case where the operator wants to set a desired processing mode (analysis processing) for a captured image, the operator can select the desired analysis processing from a pulldown menu of the analysis processing name display region **23**. Then, the control part **14** switches the analysis processing to the selected analysis processing. Thus, for example, when the control part **14** switches analysis processing, it is possible to execute desired analysis processing, for example, it is possible to return the analysis processing to the one before switching and execute it.

[0051] Further, when the operator pushes the stop button **25** or selects desired analysis processing from the pulldown menu of the analysis process name display region **23** as described above, the control part **14** acquires information including the content of a captured image, the progress status of an event, and weather condition. Then, the control part **14** learns so as to associate the acquired information with the analysis processing of the processing mode before switching and the selected analysis processing. That is to say, the control part **14** may consider the acquired information including the content of the captured image, the progress status of the event and the weather condition to be determination criteria, and associate the determination criteria with the analysis processing before switching and the selected analysis processing, thereby generating new determination criteria information.

[0052] In the example shown in FIGS. **9** and **10**, a captured image captured by the single camera **C** and the result of analysis processing executed on the captured image are largely displayed in the image display region **21**. However, a plurality of captured images captured by a plurality of cameras **C** and the results of the analysis processing may be displayed in the image display region **21**.

[0053] Thus, the information processing system according to the present invention can control the status of capturing an image by the camera **C** installed in a target place such as the stadium **S** and analysis processing executed on a captured image, depending on the condition of the target place. With this, the guard can recognize a processing mode executed depending on the condition and a processing result, and promptly take measures in accordance with the processing result. As a result, it is possible to efficiently use the camera **C** installed in the target place.

[0054] In the above description, the condition of persons shown in a captured image is detected as the content of a captured image, and a processing mode for the captured image is determined based on the condition of the persons. However, a processing mode may be determined based on the result of detection of any content in a captured image. For example, when an action such as leaving an object by a person is detected or an animal is detected in a captured image, a processing mode may be determined so as to execute control processing such as zoom-up of the camera **C** and analysis processing such as object detection processing. Moreover, in the above description, a processing mode for a captured image is determined based on weather information or the progress status of an event of a target place. However, a processing mode may be determined based on any information of a target place. Furthermore, in the above description, the content of analysis processing executed on a captured image or the content of control processing executed on an image capturing device are determined as a processing mode to be determined. However, another processing mode may be determined as long as it is processing for a captured image.

Second Example Embodiment

[0055] Next, a second example embodiment of the present invention will be described with reference to FIG. 9. FIG. 9 is a block diagram showing the configuration of an information processing device in the second example embodiment. In this example embodiment, the overview of the configuration of the monitoring device described in the first example embodiment.

[0056] As shown in FIG. 9, an information processing device **100** in this example embodiment includes: a detection means **120** that detects content of a captured image; a determination means that, based on a result of detection of content of a captured image, determines a processing mode for the captured image; and an execution means **130** that executes processing for a captured image corresponding to a processing mode.

[0057] The detection means **110**, the determination means **120**, and the execution means **130** that are described above may be constructed by an arithmetic logic unit of the information processing device **100** executing a program, or may be constructed by an electronic circuit.

[0058] Then, the information processing device **100** with the above configuration operates so as to execute processing for: detecting content of a captured image; based on a result of detection of content of a captured image, determining a processing mode for image; and executing processing for a captured image corresponding to a processing mode.

[0059] According to the present invention, in accordance with the content of an image captured by an image capture device installed in a target place, executes a process relating to a captured image corresponding to the processing mode. With this, it is possible to execute a process relating to a captured image in accordance with the condition of a target place, and it is possible to efficiently use an image capture device installed in a target place.

Supplementary Notes

[0060] The whole or part of the example embodiments disclosed above can be described as in the following supplementary notes. Below, the overview of the configurations of the information processing device, the information processing method and the program according to the present invention will be described. However, the present invention is not limited to the following configurations.

Supplementary Note 1

[0061] An information processing device comprising: [0062] a detection means that detects a content of a captured image; [0063] a determination means that determines a processing mode for the captured image based on a result of detection of the content of the captured image; and [0064] an execution means that executes processing for the captured image, the processing corresponding to the processing mode.

Supplementary Note 2

[0065] The information processing device according to Supplementary Note 1, wherein: [0066] the detection means detects a status of a person in the captured image; and [0067] the determination means determines the processing mode based on the condition of the person in the captured image.

Supplementary Note 3

[0068] The information processing device according to Supplementary Note 1 or 2, wherein: [0069] the determination means determines an analysis processing mode representing a content of analysis processing on the captured image as the processing mode, based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image; and [0070] the execution means executes analysis processing on the captured image, the analysis processing corresponding to the analysis processing mode.

Supplementary Note 4

[0071] The information processing device according to Supplementary Note 3, wherein: [0072] the detection means detects a number or density of persons in the captured image; and [0073] the determination means determines the analysis processing mode based on a result of detection of the number or density of the persons in the captured image.

Supplementary Note 5

[0074] The information processing device according to Supplementary Note 3 or 4, wherein:

[0075] the detection means detects an action of the person in the captured image; and [0076] the determination means determines the analysis processing mode based on a result of detection of the action of the person in the captured image.

Supplementary Note 6

[0077] The information processing device according to any of Supplementary Notes 1 to 5, wherein the determination means determines an analysis processing mode representing a content of analysis processing on the captured image as the processing mode, based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image, and also determines control processing on an image capturing device for capturing the captured image, the control processing corresponding to the analysis processing mode.

Supplementary Note 7

[0078] The information processing device according to any of Supplementary Notes 1 to 6, wherein the determination means determines, as the processing mode, any of crowd detection processing, action detection processing and face authentication processing on the person in the captured image.

Supplementary Note 8

[0079] The information processing device according to any of Supplementary Notes 1 to 7, wherein the determination means determines control processing on an image capturing device for capturing the captured image, as the processing mode.

Supplementary Note 9

[0080] The information processing device according to any of Supplementary Notes 1 to 8, wherein the determination means determines the processing mode based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image and information output in association with a place where the captured image has been captured.

Supplementary Note 10

[0081] The information processing device according to Supplementary Note 9, wherein the determination means determines the processing mode based on information representing a progress status of an event being held in a place where the captured image is being captured.

Supplementary Note 11

[0082] The information processing device according to Supplementary Note 9 or 10, wherein the determination means determines the processing mode based on weather information of a place where the captured image is being captured.

Supplementary Note 12

[0083] The information processing device according to any of Supplementary Notes 1 to 11, further comprising a notification means that notifies the processing mode to outside.

Supplementary Note 13

[0084] A computer program comprising instructions for causing an information processing device to realize: [0085] a detection means that detects a content of a captured image; [0086] a determination means that determines a processing mode for the captured image based on a result of detection of the content of the captured image; and [0087] an execution means that executes processing for the captured image, the processing corresponding to the processing mode.

Supplementary Note 14

[0088] An information processing method comprising: [0089] detecting a content of a captured image; [0090] determining a processing mode for the captured image based on a result of detection of the content of the captured image; and [0091] executing processing for the captured image, the processing corresponding to the processing mode.

Supplementary Note 15

[0092] The information processing method according to Supplementary Note 14, wherein: [0093] a status of a person in the captured image is detected as the content of the captured image; and [0094] the processing mode is determined based on the condition of the person in the captured image.

Supplementary Note 16

[0095] The information processing method according to Supplementary Note 14 or 15, wherein:
[0096] an analysis processing mode representing a content of analysis processing on the captured image is determined as the processing mode, based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image; and [0097] analysis processing corresponding to the analysis processing mode is executed on the captured image.

Supplementary Note 17

[0098] The information processing method according to any of Supplementary Notes 14 to 16, wherein control processing on an image capturing device for capturing the captured image is determined as the processing mode.

Supplementary Note 18

[0099] The information processing method according to any of Supplementary Notes 14 to 17, wherein the processing mode is determined based on the result of detection of the content of the captured image and information output in association with a place where the captured image has been captured.

[0100] The above program is stored using various types of non-transitory computer-readable mediums, and can be supplied to the computer. The non-transitory computer-readable medium includes various types of tangible recording mediums. Examples of the non-transitory computer-readable medium include a magnetic recording medium (for example, a flexible disk, a magnetic tape, a hard disk drive, etc.), a magneto-optical recording medium (a magneto-optical disk, etc.), a CD-ROM (Read Only Memory), a CD-R, a CD-R/W, and a semiconductor memory (a mask ROM, a PROM (Programmable ROM), an EPROM (Erasable PROM), a flash ROM, and a RAM (Random Access Memory)). The program may be supplied to the computer by various types of transitory computer-readable mediums. Examples of the transitory computer-readable medium include an electric signal, an optical signal, and an electromagnetic wave. The transitory computer-readable medium can supply the program to the computer via a wired communication path such as an electric wire and an optical fiber, or via a wireless communication path.

[0101] Although the present invention has been described above with reference to the example embodiments and so on, the present invention is not limited to the above example embodiments. The configurations and details of the present invention can be changed in various manners that can be understood by one skilled in the art within the scope of the present invention.

DESCRIPTION OF REFERENCE NUMERALS

[0102] **10** monitoring device [0103] **11** video detection part [0104] **12** information acquisition part [0105] **13** processing mode determination part [0106] **14** control part [0107] **15** determination criteria storage part [0108] **20** output device [0109] **30** information provision device [0110] **100** information processing device [0111] **110** detection means [0112] **120** determination means [0113] **130** execution means [0114] C camera [0115] E analysis engine [0116] G entrance/exit gate [0117] P person [0118] S stadium

Claims

1. An information processing system comprising: a memory storing instructions; and at least one processor configured to execute the instructions to: detect a first person in a first image captured by a first camera and a second person in a second image captured by a second camera; detect an action of the first person and an action of the second person respectively; determine a processing mode for the first image based on the action of the first person and a processing mode for the second image based on the action of the second person; and display the first image and the second image in an image display region divided into multiple area.

2. The information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the processing mode is analysis processing for a captured image or control processing for a camera for a capturing an

image.

3. The information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one processor is configured to execute the instructions to: detect a movement direction of a person shown in a captured image and determine the processing mode to be the face authentication processing when the person is moving toward a camera.
 4. The information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one processor is configured to execute the instructions to: detect an action of a person shown in a captured image and determine the processing mode to be a control processing of zooming up a camera when detecting a specific action of the person.
 5. The information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one processor is configured to execute the instructions to: notify the processing mode to outside.
 6. An information processing method comprising: detecting a first person in a first image captured by a first camera and a second person in a second image captured by a second camera; detecting an action of the first person and an action of the second person respectively; determining a processing mode for the first image based on the action of the first person and a processing mode for the second image based on the action of the second person; and displaying the first image and the second image in an image display region divided into multiple area.
 7. The information processing method according to claim 6, wherein the processing mode is analysis processing for a captured image or control processing for a camera for a capturing an image.
 8. The information processing method according to claim 6, further comprising: detecting a movement direction of a person shown in a captured image and determining the processing mode to be the face authentication processing when the person is moving toward a camera.
 9. The information processing method according to claim 6, further comprising: detecting an action of a person shown in a captured image and determining the processing mode to be a control processing of zooming up a camera when detecting a specific action of the person.
 10. The information processing method according to claim 6, further comprising: notifying the processing mode to outside.
 11. A non-transitory computer-readable storage medium storing a program, the program comprising instructions for causing a computer to execute processes to: detect a first person in a first image captured by a first camera and a second person in a second image captured by a second camera; detect an action of the first person and an action of the second person respectively; determine a processing mode for the first image based on the action of the first person and a processing mode for the second image based on the action of the second person; and display the first image and the second image in an image display region divided into multiple area.
 12. The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium according to claim 11, wherein the processing mode is analysis processing for a captured image or control processing for a camera for a capturing an image.
 13. The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium according to claim 11, wherein the program further comprises the instructions for causing the computer to execute processes to: detect a movement direction of a person shown in a captured image and determine the processing mode to be the face authentication processing when the person is moving toward a camera.
 14. The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium according to claim 11, wherein the program further comprises the instructions for causing the computer to execute processes to: detect an action of a person shown in a captured image and determine the processing mode to be a control processing of zooming up a camera when detecting a specific action of the person.
 15. The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium according to claim 11, wherein the program further comprises the instructions for causing the computer to execute processes to: notify the processing mode to outside.
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