Generation of Synthetic Low-light Images Using Physics-based Methods Towards Enhancement.

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Introduction to Synthetic Image Generation Towards Enhancement

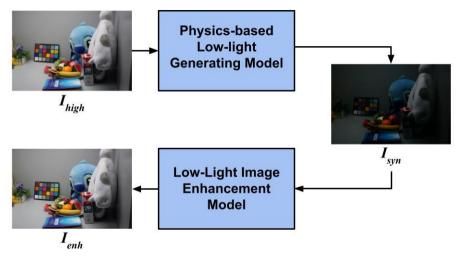


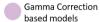
Figure: Overall Framework

Motivation for Synthetic Image Generation Towards Enhancement

- A physics-based model represents the governing laws of nature that innately embeds the concepts of time, space, causality and generalizability.
- This approach ensures that the model not only learns from examples but also possesses the ability to apply its understanding to novel scenarios.
- Once trained on the principles of physics, they can adapt to new situations, making them more robust and capable of handling a variety of real-world challenges.

Literature Towards Generation and Enhancement





Polarization Based models

Physics-based models

Non-Learning based models

Instant
Dehazing of
Images
Using
Polarization
(IEEE
Access)

Polarization: Beneficial for visibility enhancement (CVPR) Contrast
Enhancement
of Low-light
Image Using
Histogram
Equalization
and
Illumination
Adjustment
(ICEIC)

Low-Light
Maritime Image
Enhancement
with Regularized
Illumination
Optimization and
Deep Noise
Suppression
(IEEE Access)

2001

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2022

Contrast Restoration of Weather Degraded Images (CVPR) Histogram-based
Image
Enhancement
for Nonuniformly
Illuminated and
Low Contrast
Images
(ICIEA)

Deep Retinex Decomposition for Low-Light Enhancement (CVPR) Histogram-Based Transformation Function Estimation For Low-Light Image Enhancement (ICIP)

Problem Statement and Objectives

Problem Statement

To generate synthetic low-light images using physics principles on retinex theory, towards enhancement

Objectives

- Physics-based generation of low-light images.
- Evaluation of enhancement methods through generated data.
- Performance comparison with state-of-the-art methods on benchmark and generated datasets.

Approach Towards Synthetic Data Generation

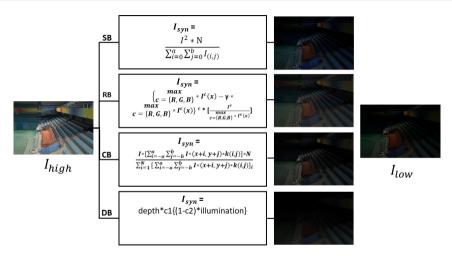


Figure: *I_{syn}* generation mathematical equations of SB: Statistical-based, RB: Retinex-based, CB: Convolution-based, DB: Depth Estimation-based

Dataset Analysis / Description

LoL Dataset

Training: 450 pairsTesting: 35 pairs



Figure: Dataset images

Experimental Results of Statistical-based Method



Figure: Results of Statistical-based Method

Experimental Results of Retinex-based Method



Figure: Results of Retinex-based Method

Experimental Results of Convolution-based Method



Figure: Results of Convolution-based Method

Experimental Results of Depth Estimation-based Method



Figure: Results of Depth Estimation-based Method

Comparison Results of Four Methods

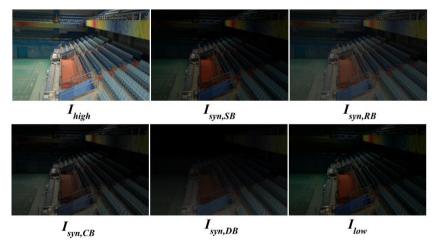


Figure: Comparison of Data Generation of Four Methods

Histogram Comparison Results of Four Methods

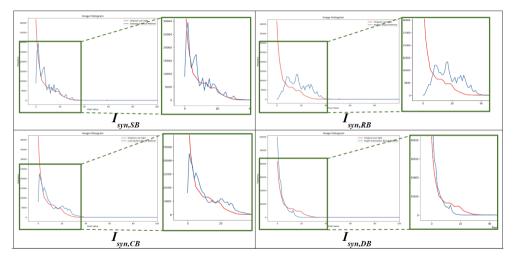


Figure: Histogram Comparison of Four Methods

Histogram Comparison Results of Four Methods

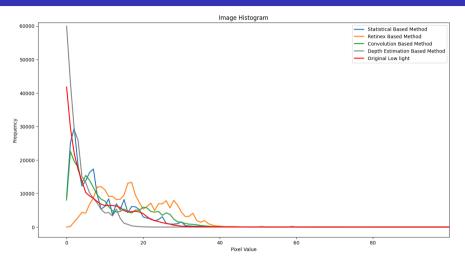


Figure: Histogram Comparison of Four Methods

Kullback-Leibler Divergence Score

Table: KL Divergence Scores Obtained for Four Methods

Methods	KL Divergence Score	
Statistical-based Method (SB)	0.7439	
Retinex-based Method (RB)	1.071	
Convolution-based Method (CB)	0.644	
Depth Estimation-based Method (DB)	1.3773	

Experimental Results of Image Enhancement

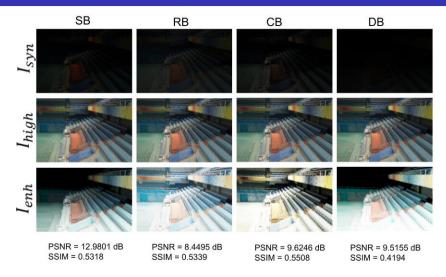


Figure: SB: Statistical-based, RB: Retinex-based, CB: Convolution-based, DB: Depth Estimation-based

PSNR and **SSIM** Values

Table: Quantitative Ananlysis Of Four Methods.

Methods	PNSR	SSIM
Statistical-based Method (SB)	20.6359 dB	0.8429
Retinex-based Method (RB)	8.7808 dB	0.2256
Convolution-based Method (CB)	9.1096 dB	0.5280
Depth Estimation-based Method (DB)	7.8940 dB	0.1586

Conclusions and Future Scope

Conclusion

The employed Statistical, Retinex, Convolution, and Depth Estimation based Methods have successfully generated low-light images, and showcased significant advancements in low-light image enhancement.

Future Scope:

The focus will be on working more towards enhancement and incorporating additional datasets for comprehensive analysis.

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