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IF	Image Fusion
VIF	Visual and Infrared Image Fusion
AI	Artificial Intelligence
CNN	Convolutional Neural Networks
GAN	General Adversarial Networks



# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

Image Fusion is a computer vision task that has been taken place for many years. Gathering all the complementary usefull informations into single image is called image fusion, *a.k.a* IF. Visual and Infrared Image Fusion, *henceforth will be referred to as VIF*, is a subfield of iamge fusion. Since the first study [?] in 1989, VIF is actively studied. In the era of AI, new methods such as CNN, GAN, auto-encoder, transformers are also applied to the VIF problem.

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#### **3.1 Research Method and Experiment Design**



## **CHAPTER 4**

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