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External and Internal Nonlocal Self-Similarity based Models for Image Denoising

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Abstract

The nonlocal self-similarity (NSS) prior of natural images has been extensively studied in many image restoration methods. In this thesis, we exploit the NSS property of external natural images, external guided internal NSS property, and internal NSS property for image denoising tasks.

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Introduction

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Literature Review

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2.1 Synthetic Grayscale Image Denoising

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External Non-local Self-Similar ity Prior for Additive White Gaussian Noise

Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower.

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3.1 Introduction



Fig. 3.1: Figure example: (*a*) example part one, (*c*) example part two; (*c*) example part three

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3.2 System Design

3.3 Demo System

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3.5 Conclusion

External Prior Guided Internal Prior Learning for Real Noisy Image Denoising

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4.1 Learning External Nonlocal Self-Similarity Priors



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4.5 Conclusion

Internal Nonlocal Self-Similarity Prior for Real Color Image Denoising: A Low Rank based Method

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— Jef Raskin about Human Computer Interfaces

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5.4 Experimental Results

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5.5 Summary

Internal Nonlocal Self-Similarity Prior for Real Color Image Denoising: A Sparse Coding based ethod

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8.2 Section 2

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8.3 Future Work