

Single image Dehazing of Road Scenes using Spatially Adaptive Atmospheric Point Spread Function

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ABSTRACT

Image haze removal of road scenes are essential and important as it can be applied in autonomous driving during unfavorable conditions such as haze, fog or snow. These conditions or haziness causes image degradation leading to poor visibility such as low contrast or faded colour. These haziness can be overcome by image dehazing methods. However, in the traditional model, a phenomenon neglected that several particles simultaneously involved in light acquisition. To overcome this problem, we propose a novel single image dehazing method based on spatially adaptive atmospheric point spread function (APSF). We introduce a module that overcome the limitations of the spatially invariant APSF which used in existing dehazing algorithms. The key factor in the estimation is that road scenes with haze have different statistical characteristic from common hazy images in color and resolution. Furthermore, the APSF on the traffic signs or lights is estimated by generating superpixels to prevent halo artifacts around the sharp edges of the images. We adopted the total variation model as a regularization functional to reduce halo and unnatural artifacts that may occur during deconvolution. The haze-free images from the proposed method tested whether the proposed method can enhance the performance of vision algorithms for autonomous driving. The experimental results demonstrate that the proposed method outperforms state-of-the-art image dehazing methods enhancing the performance of the vision algorithms. Moreover, additional experiments demonstrated the effectiveness of the proposed method for quantitative and qualitative comparison with the state-of-the-art algorithms.

INDEX TERMS: Haze removal, single image dehazing, atmospheric point spread function, multiple scattering model, road scenes, autonomous driving, deconvolution, darkchannel prior.

INTRODUCTION

Image received in terrible climate situations including haze, rain and dirt might also additionally be afflicted by low visibility. This interplay reasons extreme photograph degradation including blurring effects, decreased contrast, and fake colors. Therefore, an powerful haze elimination set of rules is needed to make certain the dependable function of outside imaginative and prescient systems. Traditional procedures reap top notch results, they require a minimum of pics or extra cameras that use different spectral ranges, proscribing their applications unmarried photograph dehazing techniques have been appreciably researched with vast advances that require priors or assumptions. Although maximum photograph enhancement methods and deep-gaining knowledge of-primarily based totally techniques are clean to implement and a number of them are primarily based totally at the atmospheric scattering version, deep-gaining knowledge of-primarily based totally fashions face sure challenges. Furthermore, maximum of the prevailing studies use indoor photograph pairs for schooling and compare dehazing fashions. Owing to the dearth of real-international hazy and clean photograph pairs, those gaining knowledge of primarily based totally techniques are useless in dealing with real-international haze pics. To solve this problem, we endorse a unique unmarried photograph dehazing approach with a spatially version APSF for road scenes.



Fig 1.Result of proposed method

The rest of this paper organized as follows. In section II describes the literature review of the paper. Finally, section III concludes the paper.

LITERATURE REVIEW

Yibo Tan and Guoyu Wang proposed that a singular single- photo dehazing approach primarily based totally on superpixels and Markov random subject. We achieve the transmission map within side the superpixel area to take away the block/halo impact and introduce Markov random subject to revise the transmission map within side the superpixel area. The key concept is that the moderately distributed, incorrectly predicted transmittances may be corrected via way of means of well characterizing the spatial dependencies among the incorrectly predicted superpixels and the neighboring well-predicted superpixels. The experimental results display that the proposed approach outperforms today's photo dehazing methods.

Huazhong Shu proposed a brand new technique to assemble a hard and fast of blur invariants the use of the orthogonal Legendre moments. Some essential homes of Legendre moments for the blurred photo are provided and proved. The overall performance of the proposed descriptors is evaluated with diverse point-unfold features and exclusive photo noises. The contrast of the prevailing method with preceding techniques in phrases of sample popularity accuracy is likewise provided. The experimental consequences display that the proposed descriptors are extra strong to noise and feature higher discriminative strength than the techniques primarily based totally on geometric or complicated moments

Minsub Kim proposed a unique haze elimination set of rules the usage of a more than one scattering version with deconvolution is proposed. The proposed set of rules considers blurring impact withinside the haze picture. Down sampling of the haze picture is likewise used for estimating the atmospheric mild efficiently. The artificial street scenes with and without haze are used to assess the overall performance of the proposed method. Experimental end result demonstrates that the proposed set of rules plays higher for restoring pictures tormented by haze each qualitatively and quantitatively.

B. Li and W. Ren presented a complete look at and assessment of present unmarried picture dehazing algorithms, the usage of a brand new large-scale benchmark which include each artificial and real-global hazy images, referred to as Realistic Single Image Dehazing (RESIDE). RESIDE highlights numerous facts reassets and picture contents, and is split into 5 subsets, every serving unique schooling or assessment purposes. We in addition offer a wealthy type of standards for dehazing set of rules assessment, starting from full-reference metrics, to no-reference metrics, to subjective assessment and the unconventional task-pushed assessment. Experiments on RESIDE shed mild at the comparisons and barriers of contemporary dehazing algorithms, and advise promising destiny directions.

A. Galdran proposed a new Image Dehazing approach primarily based totally on artificially under-exposing the enter hazy photograph to exceptional levels and acting a multi-scale fusion at the ensuing set of pics is provided. The approach can lower the quantity of haze correctly with a minimum quantity of parameters to regulate by means of the user. The approach competes properly with different present day photograph dehazing strategies, regularly overcoming them. The proposed method is fast and strong. The photograph processing project involved with the mitigation of this impact is called photograph dehazing. The proposed method avoids the want of estimating intensity with inside the scene, in addition to steeply-priced intensity map refinement processes. To obtain this goal, the authentic hazy photograph is first artificially under-uncovered via a chain of gamma-correction operations. The ensuing set of multiply-uncovered pics is merged right into a haze-loose end result thru a multi-scale Laplacian mixing scheme. A targeted experimental assessment is provided in phrases of each qualitative and quantitative analysis. The acquired effects imply that the fusion of artificially under-uncovered pics can correctly get rid of the

impact of haze, even in hard conditions wherein different cutting-edge photograph dehazing strategies fail to supply good-first-rate effects

X.min and G.Zhai proposed vision-primarily based totally clever structures like automated riding or riding help may be stepped forward with the aid of using improving the visibility of the scenes captured in terrible climate conditions. In particular, many picture dehazing algorithms (DHAs) had been proposed to facilitate such packages in hazy climate. Contrary to the considerable development of DHA developing, the fine assessment of DHAs falls behind. We observe the DHQ assessment the use of actual hazy pics systematically. We first assemble a DHQ database, which is biggest of its type to this point and consists of 1750 dehazed pics generated from 250 actual hazy pics of diverse haze densities the use of seven consultant DHAs. A subjective fine assessment observe is sooner or later carried out at the DHQ database. Then, we suggest an goal DHQ index (DHQI) with the aid of using extracting and fusing 3 corporations of features, including: 1) haze-doing away with features; 2) structure-maintaining features; and 3) over-enhancement features, that have captured the maximum key elements of dehazing. DHQI may be applied to assess DHAs or optimize sensible dehazing structures. Validations at the built DHQ database and 3 different databases with artificial haze have confirmed the effectiveness of DHQI.

Jian Ling and Wenfei Zhang proposed Polarimetric dehazing strategies have demonstrated powerful in improving the first-rate of chromatic hazy photographs. Considering that the infrared radiance has a higher potential for touring thru the haze, on this paper we advise a polarimetric dehazing technique primarily based totally on seen and infrared photograph fusion to enhance the visibility of hazy photographs, particularly for dense haze conditions. Experimental outcomes reveal that the visibility of hazy photographs may be efficiently enhanced, and the shadeation statistics may be finely maintained. The visibility of dehazed photographs may be promoted as a minimum 100%. This type of dehazing technique may be used broadly in lots of dehazing applications.

B. Cai and D. Tao proposed a trainable give up-to-give up gadget referred to as DehazeNet, for medium transmission estimation. DehazeNet takes a hazy photograph as enter, and outputs its medium transmission map this is in the end used to get better a haze-unfastened photograph thru atmospheric scattering model. DehazeNet adopts convolutional neural network-primarily based totally deep architecture, whose layers are mainly designed to encompass the hooked up assumptions/priors in photograph dehazing. Specifically, the layers of Maxout gadgets are used for characteristic extraction that may generate nearly all haze-applicable features. We additionally advocate a unique nonlinear activation characteristic in DehazeNet, referred to as bilateral rectified linear unit, that's capable of enhance the pleasant of recovered haze-unfastened photograph. We set up connections among the additives of the proposed DehazeNet and people utilized in present strategies. Experiments on benchmark pictures display that DehazeNet achieves advanced overall performance over present strategies, but maintains green and smooth to use

X. Peng and Z. Wang paper proposes a picture dehazing version constructed with a convolutional neural network (CNN), referred to as All-in-One Dehazing Network (AOD-Net). It is designed primarily based totally on a re-formulated atmospheric scattering version. Instead of estimating the transmission matrix and the atmospheric mild one after the other as maximum preceding fashions did, AOD-Net immediately generates the easy picture thru a mild-weight CNN. Such a singular quit-to-quit layout makes it smooth to embed AOD-Net into different deep fashions, e.g., Faster R-CNN, for enhancing high-stage duties on hazy images. Experimental consequences on each synthesized and herbal hazy picture datasets show our advanced overall performance than the modern in phrases of PSNR, SSIM and the subjective visible quality. Furthermore, whilst concatenating AOD-Net with Faster R-CNN, we witness a massive development of the item detection overall performance on hazy images.

H.Zhang and V.M.Patel advised a picture dehazing technique, referred to as Densely Connected Pyramid Dehazing Network (DCPDN), that can collectively research the transmission map, atmospheric mild and dehazing all together. The give up-to-give up gaining knowledge of is performed through immediately embedding the atmospheric scattering version into the community, thereby making sure that the proposed technique strictly follows the physics-pushed scattering version for dehazing. Inspired through the dense community which could maximize the records glide alongside functions from extraordinary levels, we advise a brand new edge-maintaining densely related encoder-decoder shape with multi-stage pyramid pooling module for estimating the transmission map. This community is optimized the usage of a newly delivered edge-maintaining loss function. To similarly include the mutual structural records among the expected transmission map and the dehazed result, we advise a joint-discriminator primarily based totally on generative opposed community framework to determine whether or not the corresponding dehazed picture and the expected transmission map are actual or fake. An ablation observe is performed to illustrate the effectiveness of every module evaluated at each expected transmission map and dehazed result. Extensive experiments exhibit that the proposed technique achieves good sized upgrades over the modern-day methods.

S.Zhao and L.Zhung proposed aHaze-loose photographs are the conditions of many imaginative and prescient structures and algorithms, and hence unmarried photograph dehazing is of paramount significance in laptop imaginative and prescient. In this field, prior-primarily based totally strategies have accomplished preliminary success. However, they regularly introduce demanding artifacts to outputs due to the fact their priors can hardly ever in shape all situations. By contrast, gaining knowledge of-primarily based totally strategies can generate greater herbal outcomes. Nonetheless, because of the dearth of paired foggy and clean out of doors photographs of the equal scenes as schooling samples, their haze elimination capabilities are limited. In this work, we try to merge the deserves of prior-primarily based totally and gaining knowledge of-primarily based totally strategies via way of means of dividing the dehazing project into sub-tasks, i.e., visibility recuperation and realness improvement. Specifically, we advocate a -level weakly supervised dehazing framework, RefineDNet. In the primary level, RefineDNet adopts the darkish channel previous to repair visibility. Then, with inside the 2nd level, it refines initial dehazing outcomes of the primary level to enhance realness thru opposed gaining knowledge of with unpaired foggy and clean photographs. To get greater certified outcomes, we additionally advocate a powerful perceptual fusion approach to combination exclusive dehazing outputs. Extensive experiments corroborate that RefineDNet with the perceptual fusion has a top notch haze elimination functionality and also can produce visually appealing outcomes. Even carried out with fundamental spine networks, RefineDNet can outperform supervised dehazing strategies in addition to different modern day strategies on indoor and out of doors datasets.

CONCLUSION

Unlike the maximum of the present tactics are primarily based totally at the unmarried scattering version, or spatially invariant blur kernel, we proposed a spatially variation atmospheric factor unfold feature with superpixel algorithm. Moreover, the generalized ordinary distribution is hired to version the bodily blur kernel as a result of multiple scattering, atmospheric factor unfold feature. We define the blur kernel of every location with 3 one of a kind earlier for traits of the street scenes: the attitude norm factor, gradient value, and the changed attitude norm factor. To prevent artifacts from edges and get rid of noise, the full variation regularization is adopted

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