High Resolution 2D Imaging and 3D Scanning with Line Sensors

Thesis Defense

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Imaging – Key driver of the modern society



Traditional imaging methods are woefully inadequate

- Passive imaging
 - Non-visible light imaging (challenge I)
- Active imaging
 - 3D scanning under strong ambient light (challenge II)
 - 3D scanning under strong global light like in scattering media (challenge III)

with high spatial resolution high temporal resolution low cost

Challenge I: Passive imaging in non-visible wavebands



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SWIR for seeing through fog and night vision

MWIR for high contrast thermal imaging

THz for surveillance

Images courtesy: http://www.sensorsinc.com/gallery/images https://www.edmundoptics.com/resources/application-notes/imaging/what-is-swir/

Per-pixel price

mmW/THz Multiple $10^2 - 10^4$	
LWIR HgCdTe <10 ¹	
Bolometer 10 ⁻²	
MWIR InSb/PbSe 10 ⁻¹	
SWIR InGaAs/PbSe 10 ⁻¹	
NIR/VIS/NUV Si $< 10^{-6}$	
MUV Si (thinned) < 10 ⁻³	
EUV Si-PIN/CdTe $10^2 - 10^3$	
Soft x ray Si (thinned) 10^{-2}	
Si-PIN/CdTe $10^2 - 10^3$	
Hard x ray/gamma Multiple $10^2 - 10^4$	6

Gehm, M. E., and D. J. Brady. "Compressive sensing in the EO/IR." Applied optics 54.8 (2015)

Inexpensive alternative designs for 2D imaging in non-visible wavebands



Point detector with 2D scanning 1D sensor with 1D scanning Point detector with multiplexing

 $R_{galvo} = 5000$ $R_{SLM} = 10^4$, 10 × compression Image resolution $N \times N$

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Challenge II: Active imaging under ambient light

- Sunlight is orders of magnitude stronger than active light source
 - Photon noise









Solar energy distribution

Challenge III: Active imaging in scattering medium



Marvin, Minsky. "Microscopy apparatus." U.S. Patent No. 3,013,467. 19 Dec. 1961.

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Point detector based

- Low cost
- Robust
- Too slow



2D sensor based

- High cost
- Not reliable in harsh envir.
- High ST resolution

Contributions

- Passive imaging
 - Non-visible light imaging
- Active imaging
 - 3D scanning under strong ambient light
 - 3D scanning under strong global light like in scattering media



Line sensor Optics Mechanics Computation



- Benefits
 - Affordable price / High resolution / High-speed readout / Bigger pixel / Have space on top/bottom / Frame transfer...
- Sensing modality
 - Visible light / SWIR / CW-TOF / SPAD / DVS / PSD...



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- Choice 2: camera based on single pixel
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Best result: 128×128 at video rate

22 [Sankaranarayanan et al, Video Compressive Sensing for Spatial Multiplexing Cameras using Motion-Flow Models, arXiv:1503.02727]

Why cannot SPC capture mega-pixel video?

DMD is slow

Calculation

- Mega-pixel video @ 10fps, $10^6 \times 10 = 10^7$ pixels' value
- 10x compressive sensing is used
- Need measurement rate: $\frac{10^7}{10} = 10^6$
 - measurement rate: # of measurements per second
- DMD can only flip 10^4 times per second

Proposed: Replace the single pixel by multiple pixels



Line-Sensor-based compressive camera (LiSens)



1. Use a linear array of pixels (a line-sensor)

Line-Sensor-based compressive camera (LiSens)



Use a linear array of pixels (a line-sensor)
Add a cylindrical lens





Cylindrical lens



Each line-sensor pixel integrates one row of the scene



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LiSens



Hardware prototype





door

Image resolution: 1024 x 768 Capture duration: 880 ms Compression ratio: 1x






Build two LiSenses in both sides of the DMD

- No light loss
- Joint deblurring



By row-multiplexing LiSens



By column-multiplexing LiSens

Build two LiSenses in both sides of the DMD

Joint deblurring •



By column-multiplexing LiSens

By both LiSenses

Summary of LiSens

- A 2D imaging architecture based on line sensor
 - Min. # of pixels to achieve max. possible measurement rate
 - Cost effective
 - High spatial and temporal resolution



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High Cost of 2D Sensors



SWIR See through scattering media

DVS sensor Highly efficient 3D sensor



Structured Light 3D Imaging Using 1D Sensor? - Yes

Conventional structured light



Proposed: Dual structured light (DualSL)



No moving parts









DualSL using Gray codes

Data acquired by the 1D sensor

Depth map





3D visualizations



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Hardware prototype







3D visualizations of DualSL results











Years OW









Traditional SL with 2D sensor





Difference map

DualSL with 1D sensor





RMSE = 1.49mm



Traditional SL with 2D sensor



Difference map



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DualSL with 1D sensor



RMSE = 2.4mm



Traditional SL with 2D sensor



Difference map



DualSL with 1D sensor



RMSE = 3.7mm



Difference map

Traditional SL with 2D sensor



DualSL with 1D sensor





Analysis: Acquisition Speed

DualSL



Traditional SL



Same acquisition speed

Summary of DualSL

- Structured light 3D scanning architecture with line sensor
 Cost effective
- Same performance as traditional SL
 - Temporal resolution
- Better performance
 - Spatial resolution
 - Under ambient light
 - Under global light



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Task: detect object at specific depth (proximity sensor)



- Workable under strong sunlight
- Cost effective
- Energy efficient
- Computationally efficient

Task: see through scattering media



With smoke

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- Energy efficient
- Computationally efficient

Proposed: light curtain device



Applications



Light Curtains for Robots

Light Curtains for Vehicles

Vehicle lane monitoring





Top view

Hardware prototype



Hardware prototype



Illumination System

Imaging System

Cosine light curtain



Light Curtain

Scene

Imaged Curtain

Volume light curtain

Ζ 6m and a first a first a first start of a first a 2m 1m -1m X

Light Curtain

Scene

Imaged Curtain

Tilted curtain outdoors in cloudy day



Light Curtain

Scene

Imaged Curtain

Planar curtain outdoors under strong sunlight



Light Curtain

Scene

Imaged Curtain

Backup detection – Vertical curtain



Π – Curtain for vehicle lane monitoring


Scattering media (fog, smoke...)





Light curtain imaging

Planar light curtain in smoke



Light Curtain

Scene

Imaged Curtain

Performance – 100klux



Depth Map under strong sunlight

Scene

Depth Map





Sunny – 100klux

Thickness



Top view

Thickness





Scene

Light curtain data

Thickness

















By triangulation

Phase with wrapping

Triangulation + Phase

Light fall-off



Depth-adaptive energy



Depth-adaptive energy



Summary of TriLC device

- The depth of interest is pre-specified, so the device can be optimized accordingly
 - Cost, energy, computation low
 - Workable under sunlight, in thick smoke/fog 'high'
 - Flexible: shape, thickness
 - Fast
- 'Limitation': only depth of interest



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Conclusion remarks

- Traditional methods
 - Passive imaging in non-visible wavebands
 - Active imaging in strong ambient light and global light
 - Point detector based: cheap, robust but too slow
 - 2D sensor based: fast but costly, not reliable
- This thesis: <u>High resolution</u> 2D imaging and 3D scanning with <u>line sensors</u>
 - Cheap, robust and fast
 - LiSens: 2D imaging architecture
 - DualSL: 3D scanning architecture
 - TriLC: robust proximity sensor and see-thru-smoke imager

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Future work

- TriLC with multiple line lasers
 - Eye-safety distance is same as light curtain usage distance
 - Interference problem is solved
- Triangulation gating + temporal gating for seeing through scattering media
 - Spatial cue and temporal cue
- Outdoor real-time photometric stereo
 - One rolling-shutter camera and two aligned line light and the Sun
- Incorporating machine learning
 - LiSens with fast reconstruction
 - DualSL with less patterns
 - TriLC with adaptively assigning lines





Line sensor vs. low-res 2D sensor array





If misalignment...









Frame transfer No light loss during readout





Sequential exposure and readout Without frame transfer

Simultaneous exposure and readout With frame transfer

Laser Safety

0.72m

