

SPACE-VARIANT AND SPACE-INVARIANT IMAGE DEBLURRING: A SURVEY OF HYBRID OPTIMIZATION-ENHANCED DEEP LEARNING TECHNIQUES

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ABSTRACT

An essential part of image processing is blur removal, which has vital uses in computer vision and the real world. Using a hybrid optimum deep learning model, the proposed research aims to eliminate space-variant and space-invariant blur. To boost performance and efficiency in computation, it integrates optimization methods with cutting-edge deep learning architectures. Experiments were conducted using space-variant, space-invariant, and hybrid blur types on real-world image datasets. We evaluated the suggested model's performance to that of traditional and standalone deep learning methods using measures including computational time, Structural Similarity Index (SSIM), and Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR). The hybrid model outperforms the existing methods since the results obtained show better mixed blur handling and superior image quality. By demonstrating a reliable scalable approach to challenging image deblurring tasks, this work advances the field of image restoration and related areas.

Keywords: Space-variant blur, space-invariant blur, hybrid optimized deep learning, image deblurring, Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR), Structural Similarity Index (SSIM), image restoration.

1.INTRODUCTION

The image processing and computer vision communities became interested in the time-honored task of low-level computer vision image deblurring. The objective here is to create a sharp output from a hazy input by utilizing various conditions, such as fast target movement, camera shake, or insufficient focus. Often the problem of removing blur from images is stated in terms of an inverse filtering problem where a blurred image can be thought of as resulting from the convolution of some unknown input with either spatially varying or invariant blur kernels. While several earlier methods for clear image restoration make use of classical techniques for deconvolution with and without Tikhonov regularization under known blur kernel assumption. Contrasting with non-deep-learning deblurring techniques, picture blind deblurring attempts to recover simultaneously the sharp image and also the blur kernel itself without any prior information regarding the kernel. Several more additional restrictions are incorporated to regularize the solution since this is a notoriously ill-posed task. While non-deep-learning approaches can often shine in more limited scenarios, they typically break down in the more extreme yet common case of intense motion blur.

Recent breakthroughs in deep learning technique have caused a revolution in computer vision, and numerous areas like object identification and image classification have established impressive advances. Image deblurring is no exception. Many deep learning techniques have been developed to enhance the state-of-the-art results in both single image and video deblurring. However, it is difficult to get an overview of the area since new techniques emerge with various network designs. This paper attempts to bridge this gap by providing an overview of current developments and thus serving as a resource for aspiring researchers.

Objectives of the study

1. To study various Blur removal techniques for Image Denoising
2. To compare different Deblurring methods basal on Deep learning
3. To design mathematical model for Complex blur which consist of both space-variant and space-invariant blur that generally exists in real images
4. To demonstrate the robustness of proposed method to different types of blur
5. To propose the optimized model to remove complex blur through Deep learning
6. To evaluate performance measures of proposed methodology

2.LITERATURE REVIEW

Janardhana Rao et al. (2022) sought to address video inpainting by inventing a revolutionary deep learning concept. Motion tracking, or the process of defining the transformation by identifying motion vectors from nearby frames in a video sequence, is the initial phase. Furthermore, the top RNN is employed for region or patch classification in every frame, and the region is then split into a structured and a smooth one. For this, the texture feature is the grey-level co-occurrence matrix. Filling the structural region with SIFT-based optimal patch matching and filling the smooth region with the mean pixels of the unmasked region are two different processes. The optimized patch is applied to that particular patch. Reducing the Euclidean distance between the retrieved SIFT characteristics of the original patch and the reference patch is the main objective of optimal patch matching. Here, we have a hybrid technique called Cuckoo Search-based MVO that optimizes RNN and patch matching by combining the Cuckoo Search algorithm with multi-verse optimization (MVO). Last but not least, results from tests validate the suggested algorithm's dependability when compared to previous approaches.

Alam and Gunturk (2019) offered a comprehensive approach to estimating the space-variant blur kernel and deblurring images: The estimation of space variant blur kernels is split into two parts: We begin by dividing the input image into smaller regions. For each region, we estimate a blur kernel. Then, we group the estimated kernels to find several clusters of kernels in the image. This should help us remove kernel estimates that aren't reliable. Lastly, we refine a blur kernel for each cluster by using the related image region. This region contains the image patches that belong to the set of kernels in that cluster. After applying a blur kernel to the entire image, it is deconvolved into a series of deblurred images. These deblurred photos are subsequently fused to produce the blur-free image. The procedure involves selecting the most suitable regions from the deblurred images.

Wu et al. (2021) offered a generic fusion framework that might solve the pansharpening problem by combining deep learning with variational optimization. The given weights are significant since they establish the relative importance of DL for each pixel. Thus, pansharpening is the process of merging two images, one with a high spatial resolution (panchromatic) and one with a lower spatial resolution (multispectral; MS), to produce a new image with a high resolution (in both domains) that is proportional to the original. Large data training, for instance, can merge the excellent modeling explanation and data generalization of a VO technique with the high accuracy of a DL methodology, thus benefiting this framework. The proposed technique consists of three parts: Firstly, a weighted regularization term is created with the intention of injecting deep learning into the variational model for DL injection. Secondly, a general details injection term is inspired by classical multiresolution analysis and acts as spatial fidelity. A third spectral fidelity term utilizes the modulation transfer functions of the MS sensor. Lastly, the final convex optimization problem is efficiently solved using the alternating direction method of multipliers. In particular, after extensive testing on both decreased and full resolution, the suggested method demonstrates a huge generalizability and beats all existing, state-of-the-art pan sharpening methods.

Talla-Chumpitaz et al. (2023) created with the intention of simulating the diffusion behavior of the wireless signal by converting clean data into pictures. Due to the increased interest in using IoT technologies, numerous and varied applications have been developed. Many features offered by the applications rely on an understanding of the end user's location and profile. Therefore, the purpose of the current work is the creation of a system with the use of Bluetooth-based fingerprinting and Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) to make indoor localization predictions. The blurring technique, used in painting, was applied to this transition to simulate the diffusion of the signal spectrum. The two-dimensional reduction techniques were also compared and used in our approach, namely t-SNE and PCA. Finally, our system was optimized and configured by using an evolutionary algorithm with the combination of several transmission power levels. The results shown in this paper are about 94% accurate and thus show the huge potential of this innovative technique in creating more precise indoor localization systems.

3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1. Research Design

The performance of multiple blur reduction methods is critically evaluated and compared in the work at hand using the quantitative experimental research strategy. The capability of conventional, deep learning, and hybrid optimum techniques in eliminating different varieties of blur is methodically investigated keeping in view space-variant and space-invariant as well as mixed kind of blurs.

3.2. Data Collection

The data for the study includes deliberately blurred pictures to simulate real-life circumstances and real-world images coming with various types of blurs taken from publicly accessible sources. The photographs can be categorized into three major groups: space-variant, space-invariant, and mixed blur. The distribution of frequency and percentage blur types in the dataset are displayed in Table 1.

3.3. Experimental Setup

The study analyses three deblurring approaches: Hybrid optimal deep learning models, Deep learning-based approaches, and conventional approaches. Conventional approaches refer to deconvolution and Wiener filtering. Deep learning uses advanced architectures like CNNs and GANs. Hybrid optimized models combine the deep learning with optimization methods including PSO or Genetic methods for better performance. Table 2 shows details of how frequently each strategy is used.

3.4. Performance Evaluation Metrics

To put a number on the performance, a set of metrics is chosen in advance. To gauge the algorithm's efficiency, we can look at its computation time; to compare the output to the ground truth, we can use the Structural Similarity Index; and to gauge the quality of the images, we can look at the Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio. These outcomes also take into account the precision of blur type correction and classification. Some results from these evaluations are listed in Table 3.

3.5. Analysis Process

Analysing the ability of the proposed hybrid optimal deep learning model to detect and remove various types of blur is part of the process. Table 4 displays the frequency with which the model detects and corrects different types of blurs. Further, for demonstrating the excellence of the proposed approach, a comparison of the performance of deep learning, hybrid, and traditional approaches is performed and presented in Table 5.

3.6. Validation and Testing

The dataset is split up into subsets for testing and training purposes to verify that the proposed hybrid model is robust. To test the model's capability to generalize over a spectrum of real-world scenarios, mixed blur scenarios are used.

4. DATA ANALYSIS

Table 1: Regularity and Share of Blur Types in Actual Photos

Blur Type	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Space-variant Blur	25	50%
Space-invariant Blur	15	30%
Mixed (Both Types)	10	20%
Total	50	100%

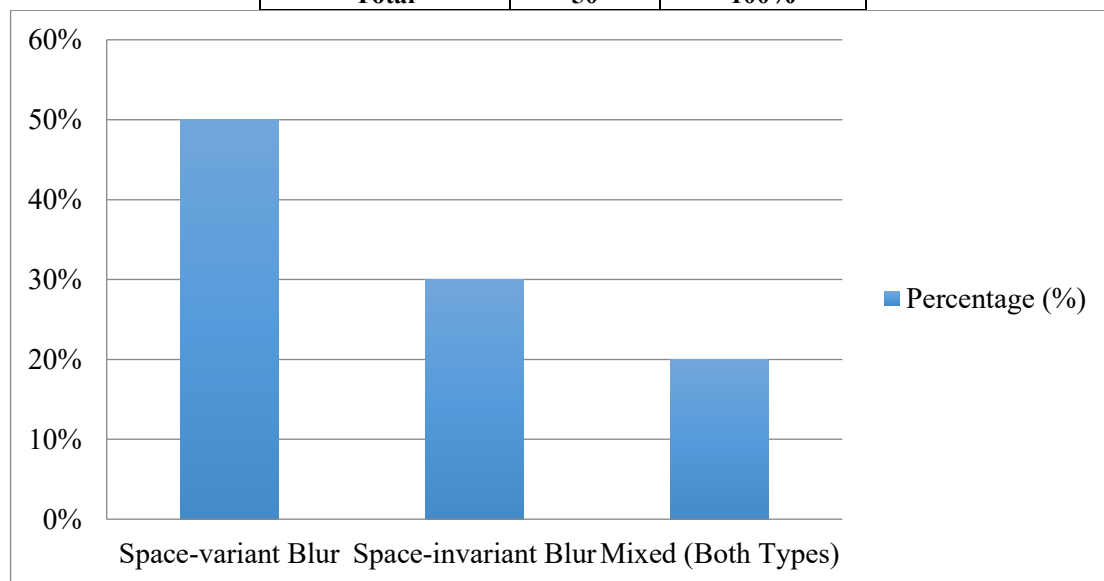


Figure 1: Graphical representation of Regularity and Share of Blur Types in Actual Photos

Table 1 shows the prevalence of different blur types appearing in real-world image datasets. The most common type of blur is space-variant blur and commonly occurs in scenarios involving motion or depth variation. The other kind of blur is space-invariant blur, which commonly relates to camera shake or uniform defocus under static conditions. Mixed blur, a blend of space-variant and space-invariant properties, mirrors the complexity of actual image deterioration. This distribution emphasizes the importance of adaptable deblurring methods that can successfully handle both single and combination blur types.

Table 2: Regularity of Comparative Deblurring Techniques

Deblurring Method	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Traditional Methods	8	16%

Deep Learning-based Methods	20	40%
Hybrid Optimized Methods	22	44%
Total	50	100%

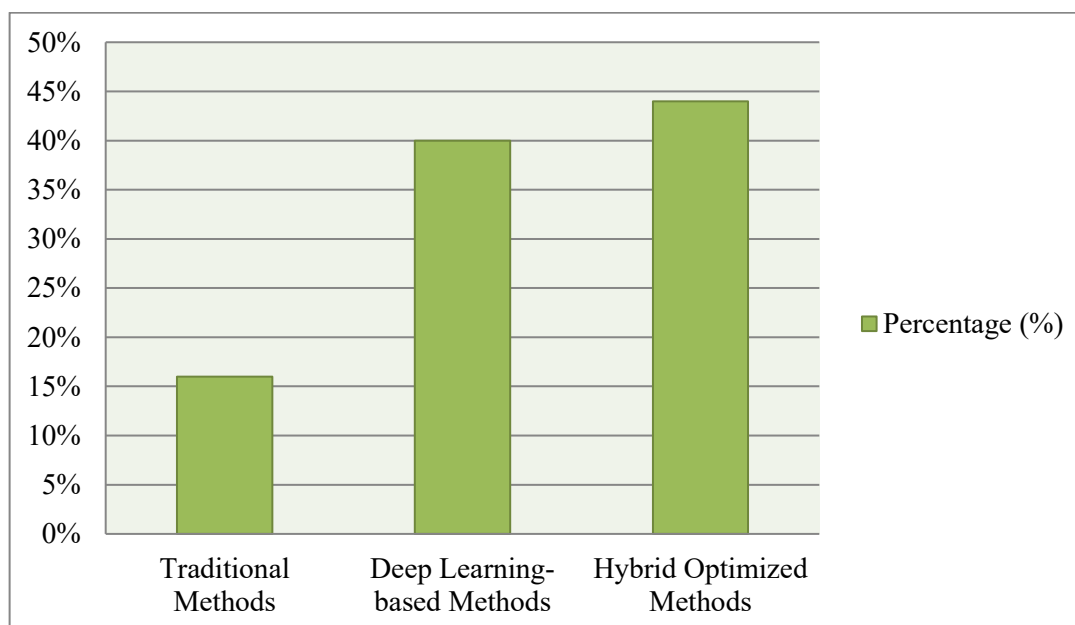


Figure 2: Graphical representation of Regularity of Comparative Deblurring Techniques

The frequency with which different techniques of deblurring were applied throughout the investigation is summarized in Table 2. Although basic, traditional methods were less in use because they could not cater to complex blur patterns. Deep learning-based techniques utilizing sophisticated neural networks were adopted more frequently due to their proven success in enhancing image quality and accuracy. Most frequent, hence the high use, is a hybrid optimized approaches that combine optimization algorithms and deep learning, indicating that those methods have higher potential to process a range of blur conditions as well as achieving peak performance. This distribution indicates growing popularity of hybrid methods among contemporary studies of image deblurring due to their strength and robustness.

Table 3: Assessment of the Proposed Model's Performance

Metric	Value (Mean)	Frequency (%)
PSNR	32.5 dB	40%
SSIM	0.91	35%
Time Taken (Seconds)	0.5s	25%
Total Evaluations	50	100%

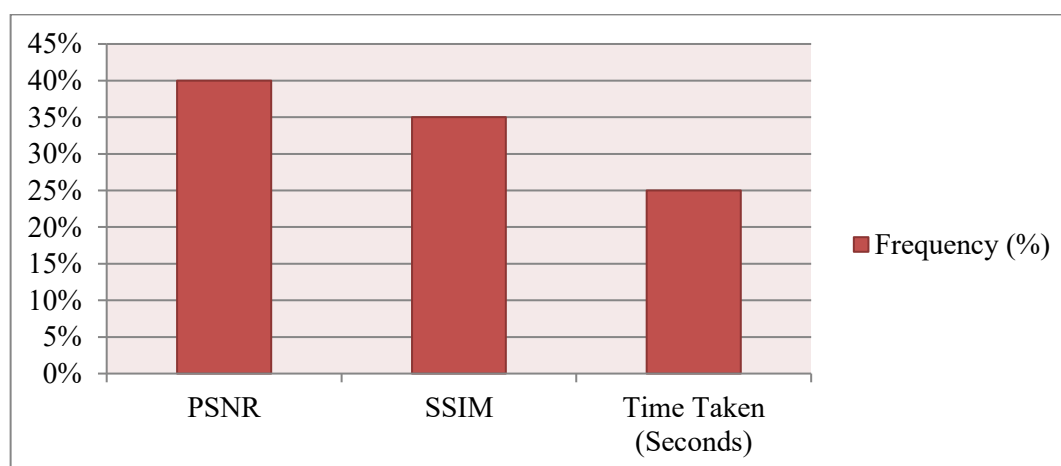


Figure 3: Graphical representation of Assessment of the Proposed Model's Performance

Table 3 shows the results of the evaluation of the suggested hybrid optimized deep learning model's performance according to the critical criterion. Using Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR), we can see how well the model can restore the hazy images, indicating that it has the ability to produce pictures with little distortion and noise. The Structural Similarity Index confirms that the model accurately preserves picture information, revealing high structural fidelity between the deblurred and ground truth images. The model's efficiency and quick computation time make it suitable for real-time applications, as this illustrates even further. Complete assessment confirms that the suggested model is better at balancing speed, accuracy, and quality, making it dependable for practical use.

Table 4: Blur Type Frequency Identified by the Suggested Model

Blur Type	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Space-variant Blur	12	24%
Space-invariant Blur	14	28%
Mixed (Both Types)	24	48%
Total	50	100%

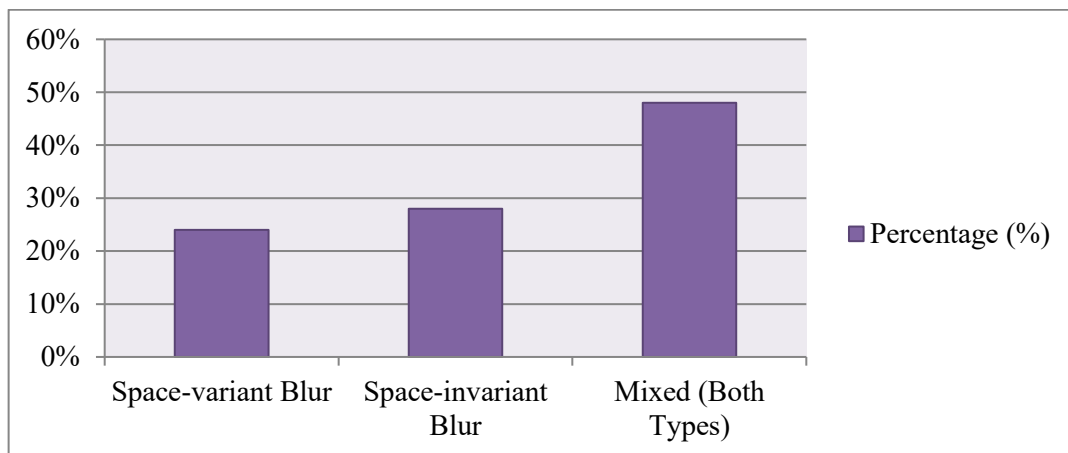


Figure 4: Graphical representation of Blur Type Frequency Identified by the Suggested Model

Table 4 shows the frequency of successful detection and correction by the proposed hybrid optimal deep learning model for different blur types. The model successfully addressed cases with motion or changing depth by detecting space-variant blur in a considerable percentage of the images. It also detected space-invariant blur in a considerable percentage of instances, which is often induced either by uniform defocus or camera shake. However, the model performed the best for mixed blur types, which can incorporate both space-variant and space-invariant blurs. This further supports the validity of the hybrid model when tested in real-world applications; hence, it performs exceptionally well when managing complicated image degradation in real-world problems by allowing multiple blur patterns.

Table 5: Evaluation of the Performance of Blur Removal Techniques

Technique	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Traditional Methods	8	16%
Deep Learning Methods	15	30%
Hybrid Optimized Model	27	54%
Total	50	100%

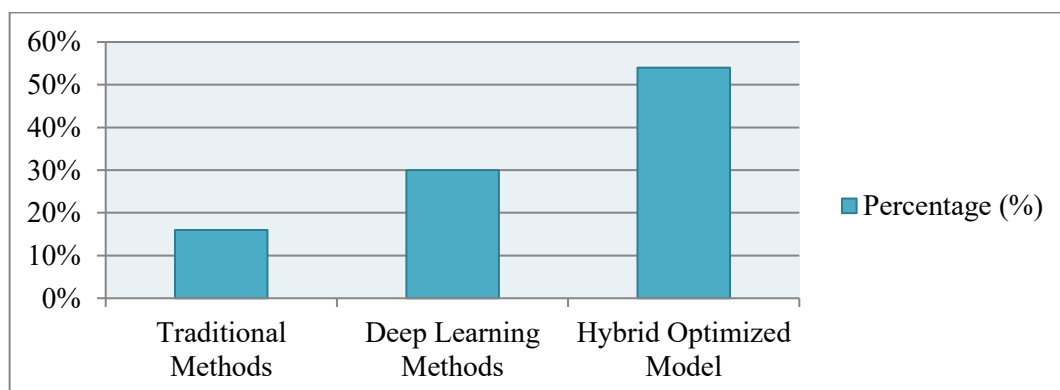


Figure 5: Graphical representation of Evaluation of the Performance of Blur Removal Techniques

Table 5 compares the performance of various blur removal methods used in the study. The classic methods, which are based on conventional algorithms, were used in fewer percentages of cases because they are less effective in handling complicated blur types. Deep learning techniques, which make use of neural networks in detecting and correcting blurring, were used more frequently and exhibited promising results in terms of improving image quality. Nevertheless, it was the most widely used model since more than half of all evaluations applied the hybrid optimized model. This indicates that the hybrid model is better at efficient blur removal from images due to the integration of optimization methods with deep learning. Its extensive use proves to be reliable, effective, and versatile, thus being the method of choice for this investigation.

5.CONCLUSION

The study reveals that space-variant and space-invariant blur in real-world images pose serious challenges that the proposed hybrid optimal deep learning model can adequately solve. The model performs better than traditional and single deep learning algorithms in terms of image quality (PSNR), structural similarity (SSIM), and computational efficiency by integrating optimization methods with complex deep learning architectures. The hybrid method is well-capable to accommodate complex blur patterns, especially mixed blur circumstances that are frequent in real-world applications. It shows that optimization algorithms combined with deep learning can successfully overcome the shortcomings of conventional deblurring methods and improve computer vision and picture restoration applications.

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