

Image Restoration using Beyond Deep Residual Learning

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Abstract: Modern deep learning techniques outperform cutting-edge signal processing techniques in image restoration applications. However, these CNNs still perform poorly if a picture has a lot of patterns and structures. Here, we offer a unique feature space deep residual learning technique that outperforms the current residual learning method to handle this problem. The main concept is derived from the finding that a learning algorithm performs better if the input and/or label manifolds may be topologically simplified by an analytical planning to a feature space. Our in-depth numerical analyses utilizing denoising tests and the single-image super-resolution (SISR) rivalry show that proposed space residual learning surpasses the present status of the workmanship methods. Furthermore, our algorithm placed third in the NTIRE competition with a computational time that was 5–10 times quicker than that of the top-placed teams.

1.INTRODUCTION:

In many real-world picture handling applications, processes such as denoising and super resolution are crucial. Numerous techniques have been created during the past few decades, including non-local self similarity (NSS) models [2], absolute variety [AV], methods, and sparse dictionary learning models [9]. The block matching 3D filter (BM3D) [7] is viewed as one of them and is the most advanced algorithm. In general, the noise model is one of these methods. Further more, because these algorithms are typically built iteratively, a lot of processing power is needed to run them. Deep learning techniques have recently shown great success with classification as well as simple computer vision issues.

Numerous state-of-the-art CNN algorithms [4, 5] have been proposed for picture denoising and super-resolution applications. Although these algorithms typically beat non-local and cooperation filtering approaches like BM3D, they nevertheless fall short of BM3D when applied to specific photos with a lot of patterns, as the Barbara image.

Objective: The purpose of image restoration is to "compensate for" or "undo" defects which degrade an image. Degradation comes in many forms such as motion blur, noise, and camera misfocus.

2. PROPOSED SYSTEM:

The two network structures described in this section are based on the manifold simplification. The first is the core architecture used for Gaussian denoising, while the second is our NTIRE 2017 competition architecture constructed based on the primary architecture and utilised for RGB-based SISR challenges. We employed a discrete one-level wavelet transform with the Haar wavelet filter for the wavelet transformation.

3. LITERATURE SURVEY:

A wavelet shrinkage approach [10], which divides a picture into low and high frequency subbands and performs thresholding in the high frequency coefficients, is one of the traditional methods for image denoising. The intra- and inter-correlations of the wavelet coefficients will be utilised by advanced algorithms in this sector [6].

The work of Berger et al. [3] was the first in the literature on neural networks to show that Multi-layer perceptrons could achieve equal Denoising performance to BM3D. (MLP). By unfolding a variational optimization strategy, Chen et al. [4] proposed a trainable nonlinear reaction Diffusion (TNRD) deep learning method [4,5] can train filters and influence functions. A Very deep residual encoder-decoder network (RED-Net) was recently developed for Problems with picture restoration based on Missed connections and encoder-decoder Architecture.

There are various realizations of residual Learning. The first method involves Employing a skipped link, which avoids Forward and backward propagation of input Data from one layer to another. He et al. [13] Were the first to propose this kind of residual Learning notion in the context of picture Recognition. Kim et al. [14] proposed residual Learning for a super-resolution approach was Used for low-level computer vision Challenges. These methods used a skipped connect corresponding to an identity Mapping to implement residual learning.

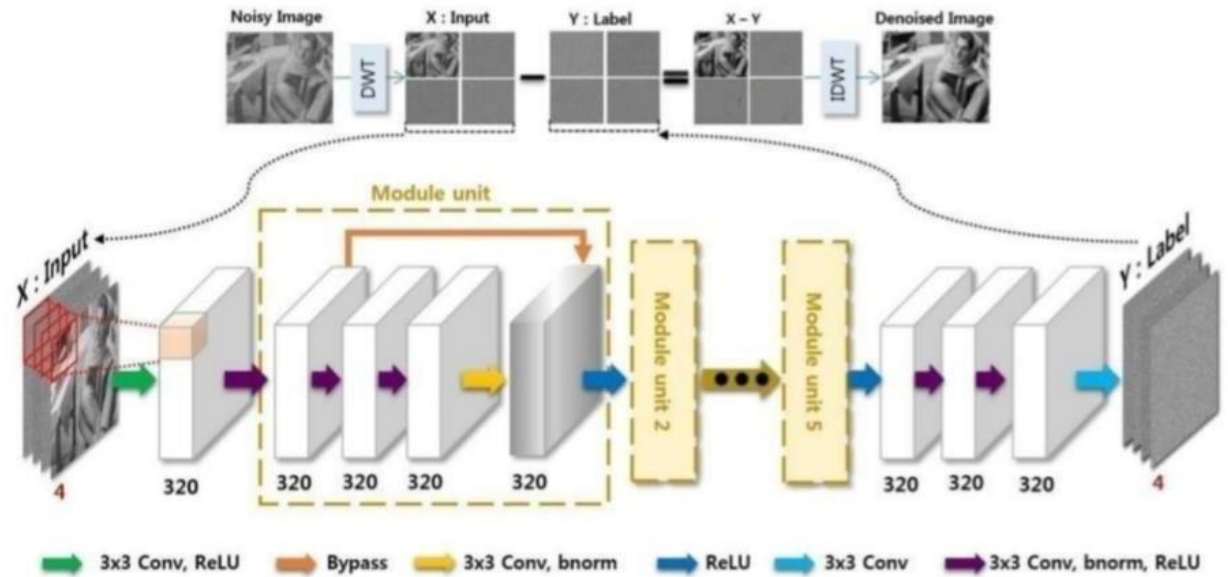


Figure 1. Proposed wavelet domain deep residual learning network for the Gaussian denoising task.

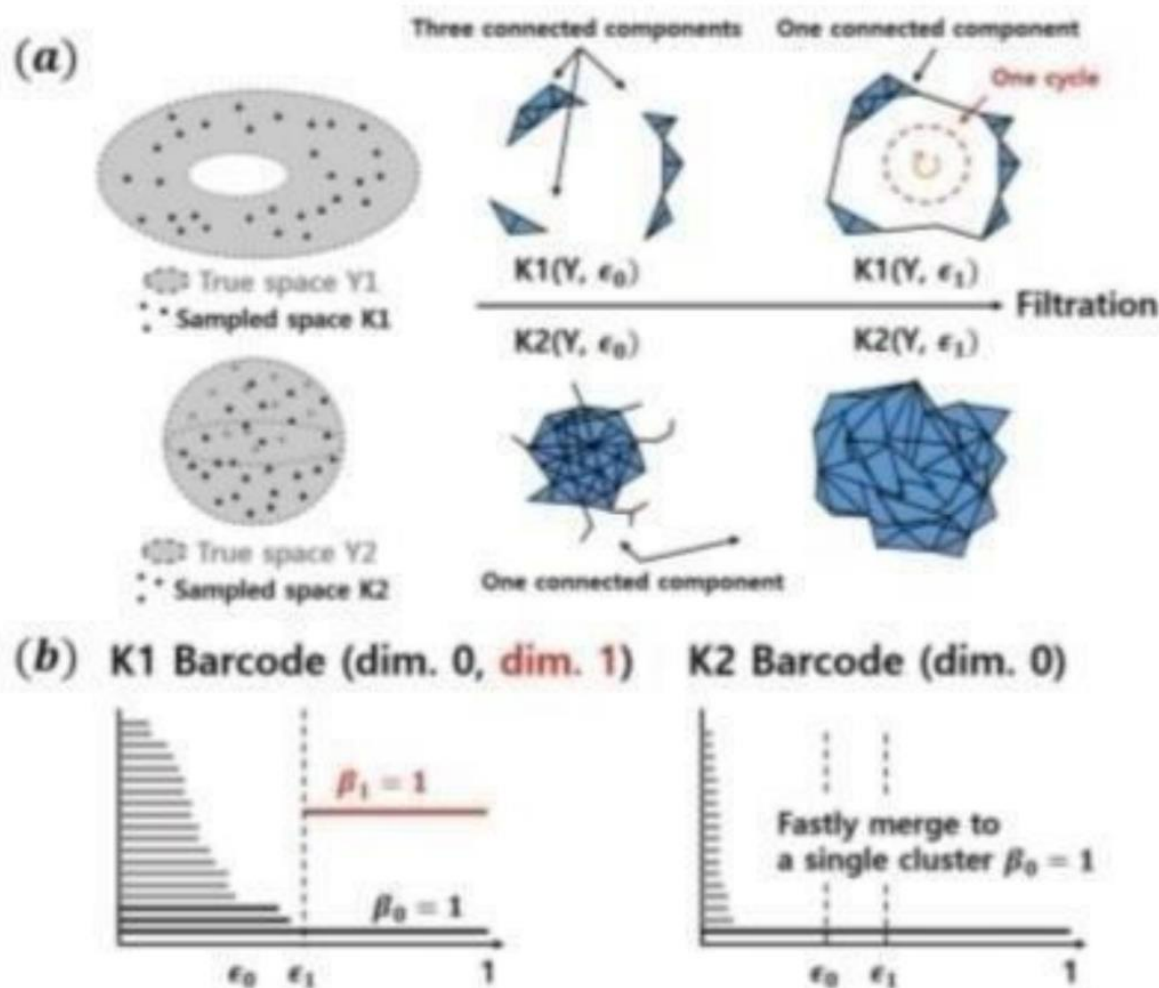
	Bicubic x2 (256ch)	Bicubic x3,x4 (320ch)	Unknown x2,x3,x4 (320ch)
Input	WT(BU(LR))		COPY_ch(LR)
Label	Input - WT(HR)		Input - PS(HR)
1st layer	Conv → ReLU		Conv → ReLU
2nd layer	Conv → BN → ReLU		Conv → BN → ReLU
Long bypass layer	LongBypass(1)	-	-
1st module	BypassM1 → Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv →BN→ SumF(BypassM) → ReLU	BypassM1 → Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv →BN→ SumF(BypassM) → ReLU	BypassM1 → Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv →BN→ SumF(BypassM) → ReLU
Repeat 1st module	5 times (2th~6th module)	11 times (2th~12th module)	12 times (2th~12th module)
Long bypass & catch layer	Sum of "LongBypass(1)" and "Output of 6th module" → BN→ ReLU	-	-
Long bypass layer	LongBypass(2)	-	-
Repeat 1st module	6 times (7th~12th modules)	-	-
Long bypass & catch layer	Sum of "LongBypass(2)" and "Output of 12th module" → BN→ ReLU	-	-
Last layer	Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv	Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv	Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv→BN→ReLU→ Conv
Restoration	IWT(Input-Output)		IPS(Input-Output)

* WT: Haar Wavelet Transform, BU: Bicubic Upsampling, LR: Low Resolution image, HR: High Resolution image, Conv: 3 × 3 Convolution, BN: Batch Normalization, BypassM: Sending output of previous layer to last layer of module(M is module number), SumF: Sum of output of previous layer and BypassM output, COPY_ch: Copy input image (scale x scale) times on channel direction, PS: sub-Pixel Shuffling, IPS: Inverse sub-Pixel Shuffling, IWT: Inverse Wavelet Transform

Table 1. Proposed network architectures for NTIRE SISR competition from bicubic and unknown downsampling schemes.

In neural networks, the representation power Or capacity of a network determines Empirical risk, and a network's structure Determines the complexity penalty. A deep Network is preferable to a shallow one Because it has been demonstrated that the Capacity of representation power increases Exponentially with regard to the number of Layers. A complex network structure, However, also results in an increase in the Complexity penalty

(1). The primary Solution to this trade-off is to employ a large Number of training datasets, which will cause The complexity penalty to diminish much More quickly and result in the empirical risk Minimization (ERM) converging steadily to The risk minimization. However, there Are still gaps between the ERM and the risk Minimization for the training data of Moderate size. The reduction of the gap by employing a relatively simple network and lowering the complexity of the data manifold is one of the paper's most significant achievements. Our design objective is to identify mappings and to the feature spaces for the input and label datasets, respectively, for a given deep network $f: X \rightarrow Y$. The resulting datasets made up of $X' = \phi(X)$ and $Y' = \Psi(Y)$ may then have more straightforward manifold The graphic below illustrates this.



Block Diagram:

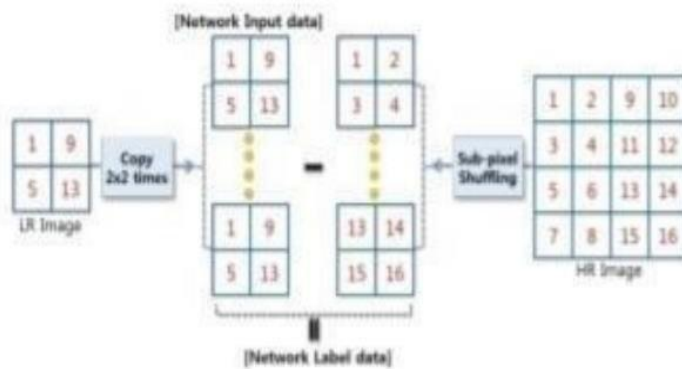


Figure 4. Residual based sub-pixel shuffling.

Label image set	Original	Residual
Unknown x3	29.1242 / 0.8327	30.3025 / 0.8572

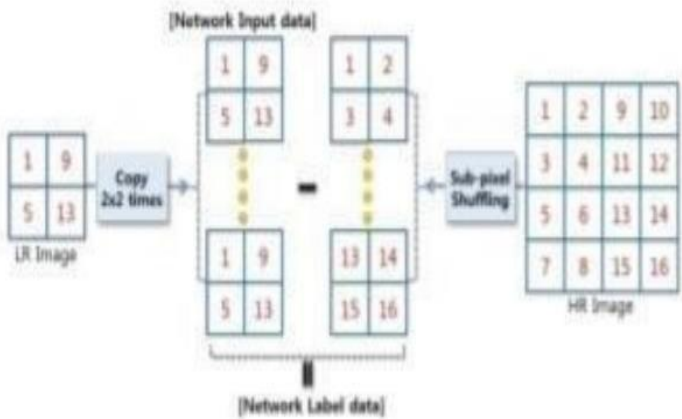


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Table 2. The PSNR/SSIM performance of the residual-based sub pixel shuffle for the “Unknown x3” dataset during this resolution task. The DIV2K dataset’s 100 validation data were used to determine the findings after the training process was ended at epoch 50.

To handle the collection of 800 high photos, all three SISR topologies include 41 convolution layers. We always applied patches that were 20×20 in size. Three convolution layers are added after the initial two layers, after which a basic module is repeated twelve times. We used 256 channels and two lengthy bypass connections between the network’s six fundamental modules to recreate the bicubic x2 down sampled dataset. We used 320 channels instead of the lengthy bypass link for the other datasets.

In comparison to using the concatenation layer, the long bypass connection enables faster computation and smaller parameter sizes. Concatenation layer is useful for reducing convolution layer’s depth, Because to ineffective GPU memory consumption, it is extremely slow. The long bypass link is more effective for SISR issues.

The efficiency of the lengthy bypass connection is displayed in Table 3. Because RGB-based learning has the impact of data augmentation, we employed RGB data rather than luminance data for the various channels.

Table 3. The PSNR/SSIM effectiveness of the Lengthy bypass layer. The DIV2K dataset’s 50 validation data were used to calculate this Result.

4. Conclusion:

In this study, we suggested a deep residual Learning algorithm that performs better than The current residual learning methods. In Specifically, we demonstrated that the Wavelet transform and/or persistent Homology analysis Simpler data Manifoldsare the outcome of residual Learning. This discovery, along with the Experimental.

Images	C.man	House	Peppers	Starfish	Monar.	Airpl.	Parrot	Lena	Barbara	Boat	Man	Couple	Average
Algorithm	Noise Level: $\sigma = 30$												
BM3D	28.6378	32.1417	29.2140	27.6354	28.3458	27.4857	28.0707	31.2388	29.7894	29.0465	28.8016	28.8417	29.1941
DnCNN-S	29.2748	32.3199	29.8497	28.3970	29.3165	28.1570	28.5375	31.6104	28.8925	29.3117	29.2492	29.2091	29.5105
Proposed(Primary)	29.6219	32.9357	30.1854	29.0584	29.5597	28.3288	28.6770	32.0163	29.8941	29.6107	29.4065	29.5563	29.8976

Table 4. Performance comparison in terms of PSNR for "Set12" dataset in the Gaussian denoising task. The primary architecture was used.

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DnCNN-S	0.8580	0.8515	0.8670	0.8478	0.9032	0.8544	0.8425	0.8559	0.8514	0.7841	0.7949	0.8029	0.8428
Proposed(Primary)	0.8662	0.8589	0.8729	0.8604	0.9116	0.8584	0.8459	0.8669	0.8795	0.7978	0.8022	0.8189	0.8533

Table 5. Performance comparison in terms of SSIM for "Set12" dataset in the Gaussian denoising task. The primary architecture was used.

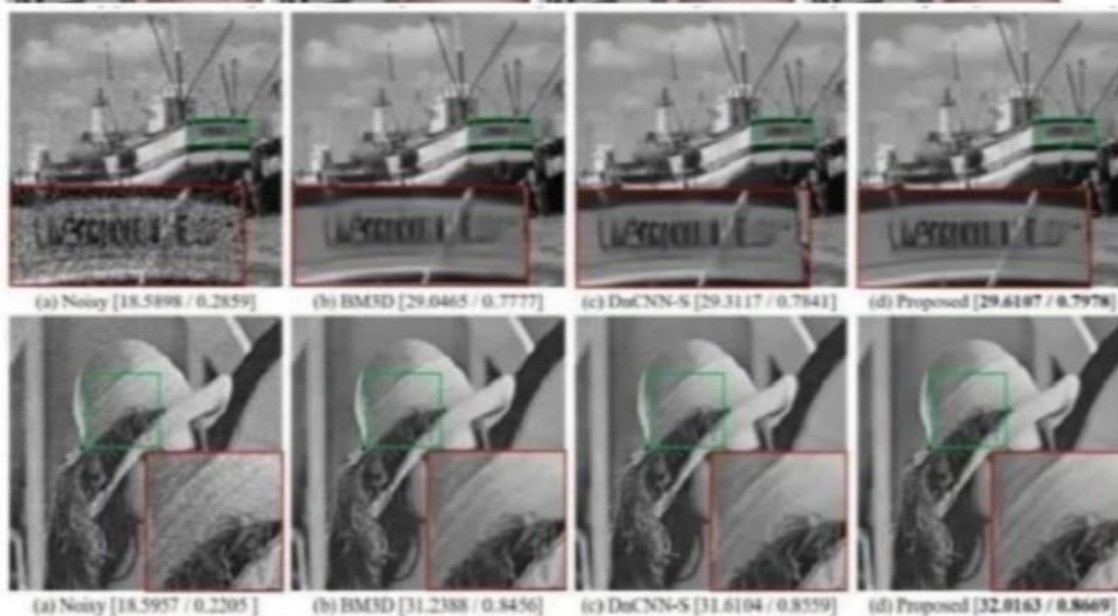


Figure 5. Denoising results of Barbara, Boats, and Lena images using various methods. [PSNR/SSIM] values are displayed.

FUTURE WORK:

We evaluated the topology of the input and label manifolds in both the image and wavelet domains to demonstrate the relationship between network performance and manifold simplification. The findings in the supplemental material made it very evident that feature space mappings offer data manifolds.

The future of image processing will involve scanning the heavens for other intelligent life out in space. Also new intelligent, digital species created entirely by research scientists in various nations of the world will include advances in image processing applications. Due to advances in image processing and related technologies there will be millions and millions of robots in the world in a few decades time, transforming the way the world is managed.

Advances in image processing and artificial intelligence will involve spoken commands, anticipating the information requirements of governments, translating languages, recognizing and tracking people and things, diagnosing medical conditions, performing surgery, reprogramming defects in human DNA, and automatic driving all forms of transport.

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