

Subjective and Objective Quality Assessment of Tone- Mapped Images

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Outline



- HDR Image and applications
- Tone-Mapping
- Need for Tone-Mapping
- State of the art Objective Quality metrics
- Disadvantages of full reference and no reference metrics
- Dynamic range independent metrics
- Visual model
- Learning based

Tone-mapped images



Image Selection

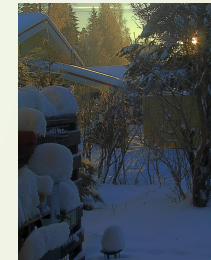
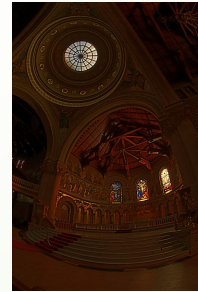
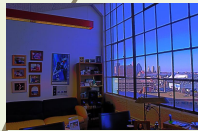
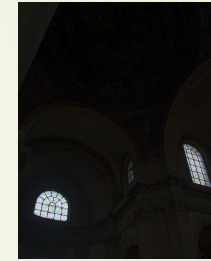




Image selection



- ▶ Standard images
- ▶ Varying scene contents and illuminations
- ▶ Number of images
- ▶ Wide spread of dynamic range of the image set
- ▶ Time duration
- ▶ Questions to ask
- ▶ Tone-mapping operators
- ▶ Image resolution



Subjective evaluation

- ▶ Sorting and database
 - ▶ Number of subjects
 - ▶ Spread of dynamic range
 - ▶ Sorting into different dynamic range sets
 - ▶ Selection from each set
 - ▶ Tone-mapping operators input parameter
 - ▶ Ashikhmin [5], Banterle [6], Durand [8], Fattal [9], Ferwerda [10], Kim [11], Krawczyk [12], Kuang [13], Lischinski [14], Schlick [16], Drago [7], Ward [18], [21], Pattanaik [19], Reinhard [15], [20], Tumblin [22]
- ▶ Experimental setup
 - ▶ GUI
 - ▶ Time slots
 - ▶ Scale
 - ▶ Random ordering
- ▶ Removal of outliers


GUI



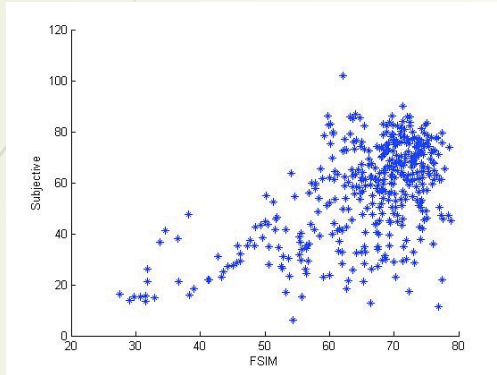
GUI



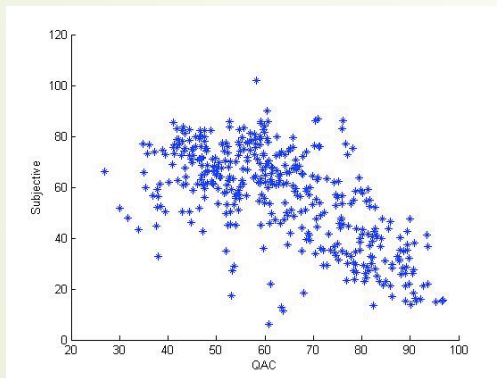
Objective quality assessment

- Full reference and no-reference
 - FSIM [28]
 - PSNR
 - SBIQE [26]
 - QAC [25]
 - NIQE [27]
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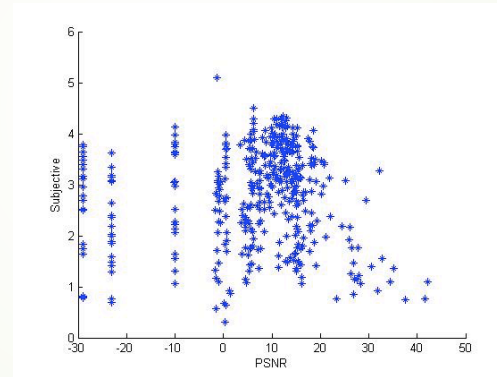
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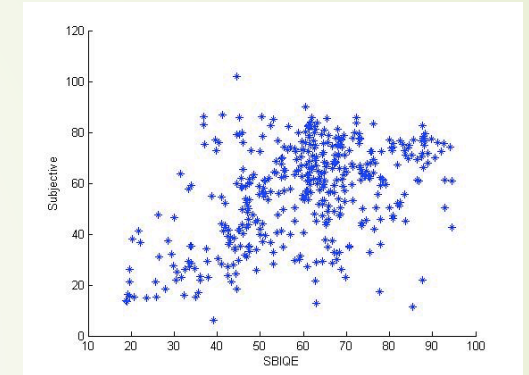
FSIM



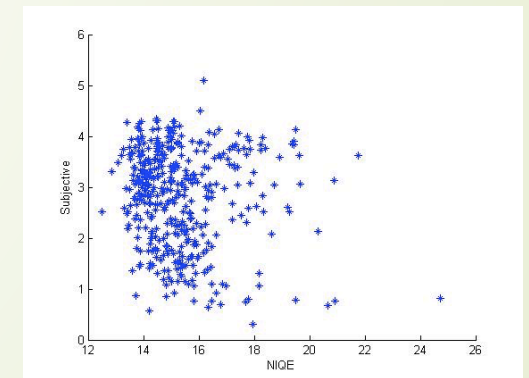
QAC



PSNR



SBIQE



NIQE

Correlation scores

Algorithm	<u>Subject1</u>	<u>Subject2</u>	<u>Subject3</u>	<u>Subject4</u>	<u>Subject5</u>	<u>Subject6</u>	<u>Subject7</u>	<u>Subject8</u>	<u>Subject9</u>	<u>mean</u>
<u>QAC</u> <u>LCC</u>	0.2024	0.3344	0.3184	0.1862	0.3517	0.4129	0.3770	0.5761	0.2652	0.6008
<u>SBIQE</u> <u>LCC</u>	0.2421	0.3764	0.3773	0.1386	0.3271	0.4057	0.3595	0.5503	0.2592	0.5336
<u>NIQE</u> <u>LCC</u>	0.0094	0.1586	0.1577	0.0763	0.1532	0.2069	0.1395	0.1794	0.0229	0.2054
<u>FSIM LCC</u>	0.3158	0.4753	0.4256	0.1803	0.4109	0.5325	0.4032	0.6544	0.2645	0.6973



Conclusions and future work

- Evaluation of State-of-the-art objective quality metrics
- Need for improvement of the objective quality assessment algorithms
- Some parameters from each tone-mapping operator can still be used
- Parameter selection
- Create a learning based visual model for full reference dynamic range independent tone-mapped image quality assessment
- No reference dynamic range independent quality metric
- Updating the database
- The database and subjective scores will soon be made available online at [31]



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