

Edge-based methods is based on contour detection: their weakness in connecting together broken contour lines make them, too, prone to failure in the presence of blurring.



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University of the Ryukyus Region-based method

A region-based method usually proceeds as follows: the image is partitioned into connected regions by grouping neighboring pixels of similar intensity levels. Adjacent regions are then merged under some criterion involving perhaps homogeneity or sharpness of region boundaries.

University of the Ryukyus Ryukyus Connectivity-preserving Ryukyus relaxation method

The main idea in connectivitypreserving relaxation-based segmentation method, is to start with some initial boundary shape represented in the form of spline curves, and iteratively modify it by applying various shrink/expansion operations according to some energy function.

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 digital watermark : A special message embedded in an image.

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Speech Coding

- Speech coding is a technique sometimes referred to as lossy coding.
- The input and output signals are not mathematically equivalent but they are perceptually similar.
- Differences can be heard, but are hopefully not annoying or are acceptable for the application. Traditionally speech coding is used for communication applications using telephony bandwidth speech (200 Hz - 3.5 kHz).
- However, changes in the communication infra-structure have opened the door for new exciting algorithms targeting all types of bandwidths from 3.5 kHz all the way up to CD quality sound.

Speech Coders

Designing speech coders is a balancing game between

- Quality,
- bit rate,
- delay and complexity.

The quality is a function of the bit rate. For telephone quality speech the standard is 8 bits mulaw per sample. Using a 8 kHz sampling rate this results in 64 kb/s.

Speech coding algorithms can maintain this quality at substantially lower rates all the way down to 16 kb/s. At lower rates there will be some loss in quality, but even to rates as low as 1200 bits/s the speech is still quite intelligible

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Speech and audio compression has advanced rapidly in recent years spurred on by cost effective digital technology and diverse commercial application. It is including:

- I. Waveform coding
- 2. Voice coding

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<u>Acoustic</u>

Acoustics is the science of sound and the study of sound production and propagation.

Electro-acoustics focuses on the transfer of a signal between acoustical and electrical form. It includes microphones and loudspeakers, echo cancellation, acoustic noise control, 3D audio and virtual acoustic audio rendering.

Echo cancellation was invented at Bell Labs in 1965 and research on network and acoustic echo cancellation continues. We have extended our investigations to the multi-channel problem and have successfully demonstrated real-time stereo acoustic echo cancellation in a teleconferencing system.

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- Active noise control generates an opposing wave that is equal in amplitude but out of phase with the acoustic noise to be reduced.
- Active noise control makes use of adaptive digital filters in conjunction with reference and error sensing transducers and a secondary source, usually a loudspeaker.

This technology has been used in the control of noise generated in heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) ducts, automobile exhaust noise, and aircraft engine and propeller noise, to mention just a few applications.

Acoustic noise control using the FXLMS algorithm

Acoustic noise control in cars

Smart Acoustic Room (SAR)

Smart Acoustic Room (SAR) is defined the acoustic response between two (or more) points could be controlled smartly. By control, we mean to have a well estimation of the acoustic path between two points and then to make the appropriate signal to cancel an unwanted noise or to emphasis to a desired signal (speech or music).

Application of SAR

	When there are the peoples
	who want to listen to Jazz or
	Classic in a room, we don't
	$\langle \langle \cdot \rangle \rangle$ want to use headphone as it
	otally isolate the person from
·Jazz	surrounding.
· Japanese	In a conference room or big
	hall, we have two kinds of
Room	audiences that want to listen to
	he Japanese or English
	speech. If we can give two
Classic	audiences the desire location,
• English	J just by seating in the right
	((A place one can hear to desire

Digital communication techniques deal with transporting digital information (e.g quantized or/and compressed speech, audio, image and video) reliably from a source to a destination.

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- Digital audio broadcasting

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- Messages or signals can be classified:
- Analog

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- A physical quantity that varies with "time", usually in a smooth or continuous fashion
- Fidelity describes how close is the received signal to the original signal. Fidelity defines acceptability
- Digital
 - An ordered sequence of symbols selected from a finite set of discrete elements
 - When digital signals are sent through a communication system, degree of accuracy within a given time defines the acceptability

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Elements of Communication Systems

- Transmitter
 - Modulation
 - Coding
- Channel
 - Attenuation
 - Noise
 - Distortion
 - Interference
- Receiver
 - Detection (Demodulation+Decoding)
 - Filtering (Equalization)

- Encoder: Message \rightarrow Message Signal or bits
- Transmitter: Message signal \rightarrow Transmitted signal
- Channel: Introduces noise, distortion, interference
- Receiver: Received Signal → Message Signal
- Decoder: Message Signal → Original Message

Example: Microphone -----> Speaker

Bandwidth comparison of OFDMA and FDMA

OFDM transceiver block diagram

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I will not say I failed 1000 times, I will say that I discovered 1000 ways that can cause failure. - Thomas Alva Edison

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