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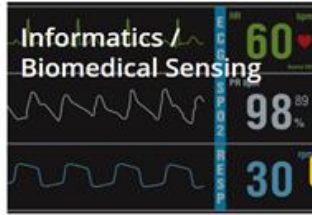
Proposers Day: Video LINCS

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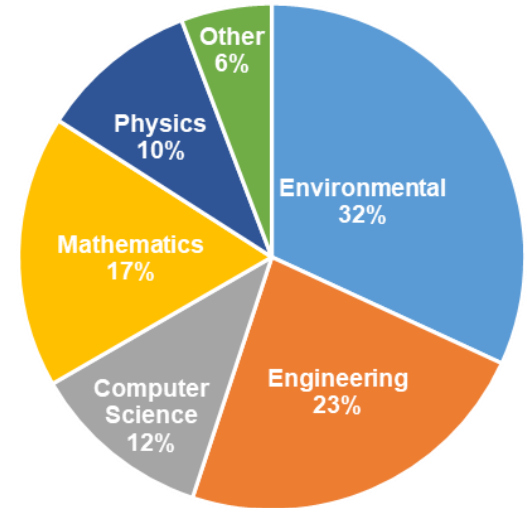
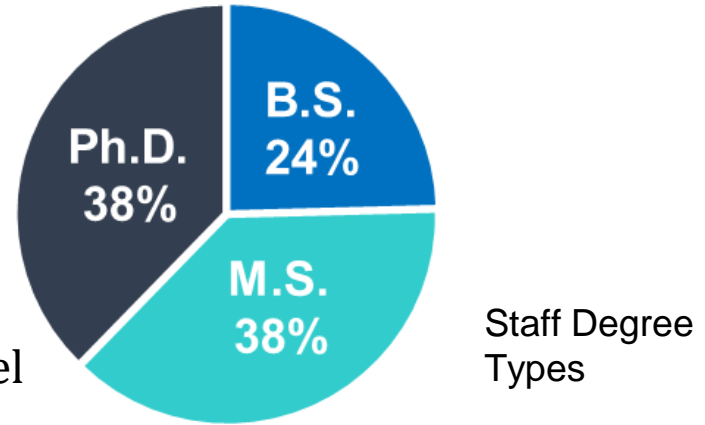
MTRI Vision

- Michigan Tech Research Institute** focuses on *multidisciplinary technology development and research to sense and understand natural and human-made environments.* Through innovation, education, and collaboration, we support meaningful solutions to critical global issues, from infrastructure to invasive species, national security to public health.



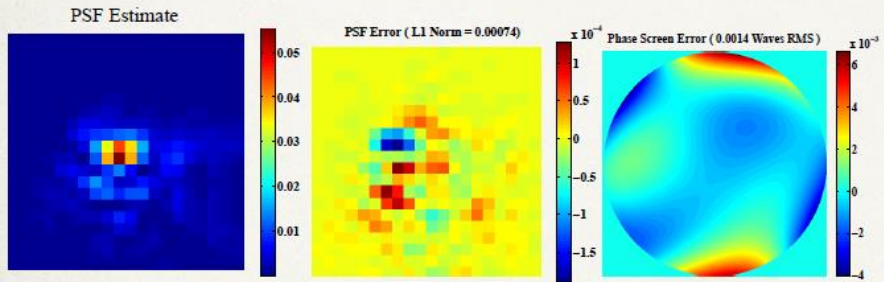
Who we are

- Research Institute reporting to the vice president of research at Michigan Tech
 - ~100 Staff
 - Supporting ~ \$12 Million in research contracts
- We are PI driven and focused on 6.2-6.3 level applied research
 - Remote Sensing – Image Classification
 - Multi-Modal Sensor Fusion
 - Advanced Optical Systems
 - Resource Allocation for Sensor Platforms
- Major Sponsors: DARPA, NASA, AFRL, NGA, DOT,



Relevant Related Work: Optical System Characterization

Sensor Characterization:



Information Theoretic Bounds:

Estimators Approach
Information-Theoretic
Limits

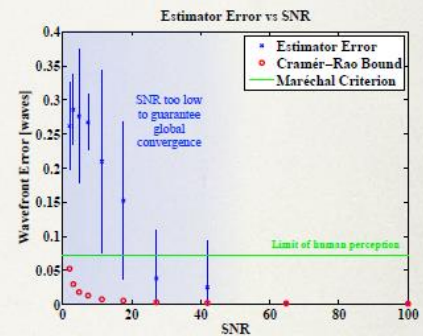
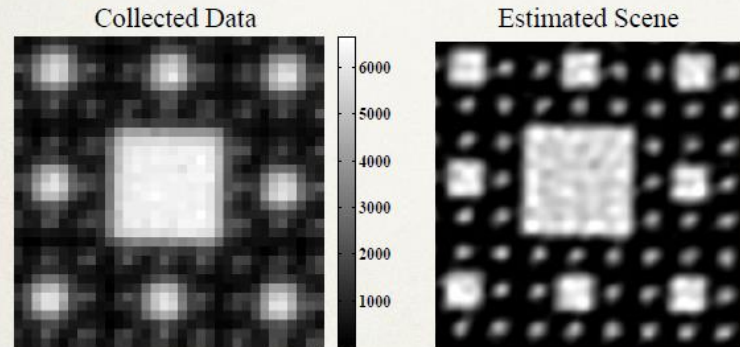
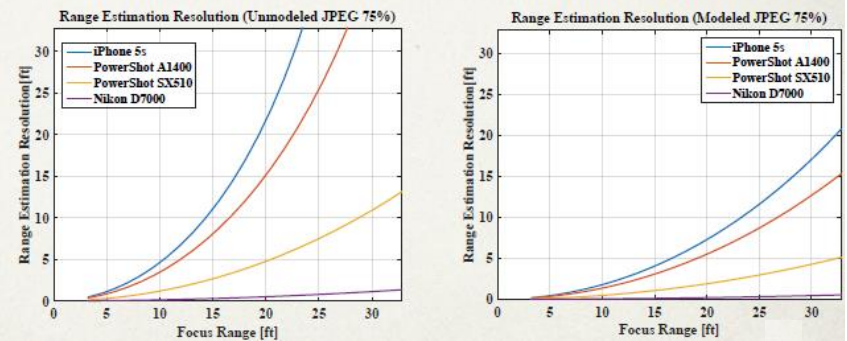


Image Restoration:



Depth from Defocus:



Related Work

- **RAILS: Automated Trespasser Detection from UAVs**
 - VideoLINCS Relevance: Real time target tracking from moving platform
- **DARPA OFFSET: Visual odometry and target tracking for UAV SWARM Autonomy**
 - VideoLINCS Relevance: Real time image processing and target tracking
- **DARPA Subterranean Challenge: Automatic detection and localization of specified objects from autonomous platforms**
 - VideoLINCS Relevance: Object recognition and localization from moving cameras
- **AFRL SMAX: Sensor fusion for tracking long time-scale behaviors of targets**
 - VideoLINCS Relevance: Long-time scale target characterization

Forward Model

$$d = \underbrace{c_3}_{\text{Sensor Gain}} \mathcal{P} \left\{ \text{diag} \left(\underbrace{\{T S B(\alpha) W(v_j)\}_{j=1}^J}_{\substack{\text{Truncation} \\ \text{Sampling} \\ \text{Blur}}} \right) \right. \\ \left. \underbrace{\left(K(\lambda) \otimes I_{n_f} \right)}_{\text{Spectral Effects}} \underbrace{\left(c_1 f + c_2 \right)}_{\text{Object in Photons @ } \lambda_{\text{ref}}} \right\} + \underbrace{c_4}_{\text{Sensor Offset}} + \underbrace{\varepsilon_r(\sigma_r)}_{\text{Read Noise}}$$

Labels in diagram: Poisson Process, Truncation Sampling Blur, Warp, Frame Index, Spectral Effects, Object in Photons @ λ_{ref} , Sensor Offset, Read Noise.

