



Optimal Cooperative Control for Weather Camera Networks via Game Theoretic Learning Algorithm



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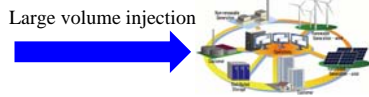
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Weather Monitoring

Energy



Photovoltaic power (PV) → Energy management system (EMS)

Weather prediction [1]

- Cover
- Shape
- Direction
- Height

Only cloud or clear sky

Cloud and clear sky

Visual Monitoring

PTZ camera

All sky camera



Weather Monitoring

Weather network

Earth Networks [*] or Weather Station and camera[#]

[*] Earth Networks: <http://www.earthnetworks.com/OurNetworks/WeatherNetwork.aspx>

[#] Earth Networks: <http://www.earthnetworks.com/Products/WeatherStation.aspx>

<http://www.earthnetworks.com/Products/WeatherCameras.aspx>

All sky camera PTZ camera

PTZ camera

• Coverage area

Sky

Camera C_i



Approach

Monitoring

We use **red-blue-ratio (RBR) [4]** as the cost function

Cloud and clear sky Only cloud Only clear sky

We choose action (Pan, Tilt) such that **the cost function is maximized** using **potential game [3]**

We use **PIPIP [3]** as a learning algorithm

PTZ camera

Tilt

Pan

We can know the size and shape of cloud



Approach

- Cloud Detection[4]

The pixel Red-Blue Ratio (RBR)

The RBR of a Clear Sky Library (CSL)

Neural Networks

RBR

Calculate $\frac{\text{The pixel value of red}}{\text{The pixel value of blue}}$ (Red-Blue Ratio) of all pixels

Because blue sky have high pixel value of blue, Red-Blue Ratio is low

High

Low

Cloud

Blue sky

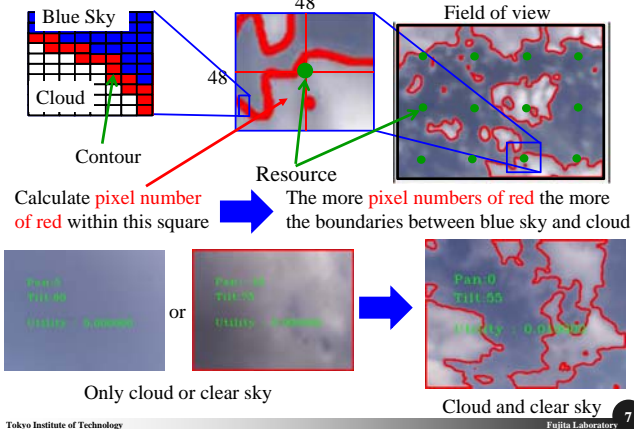
Threshold

Red-Blue Ratio



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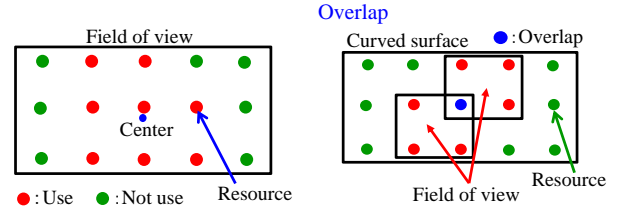
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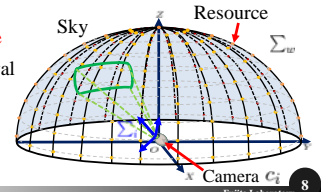
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Scenario

1. Suppose that sky is a curved surface
2. Arrange resources at an equal interval
3. Compute the value of cost function around resource
4. Move camera such that the value of cost function is maximized



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Application of Potential Game

Global Objective Function

$$\phi(a) = \sum_{r \in R_V} Px(r)$$

The sum of pixel number around resources n cameras are using

V : A set of cameras
 R_i : A set of resources that camera i uses
 $i \in V \quad V = \{1, \dots, n\}$
 R_{-i} : A set of resources that cameras (except for camera i) use
 $R_{-i} = \bigcup_{j \neq i} R_j \quad j \in V$
 $Px(r)$: Pixel number of red around resource r

Utility Function

$$U_i(a) = \sum_{r_i \in R_i} Px(r_i) - \sum_{r_l \in R_i \cap R_{-i}} Px(r_l)$$

The sum of pixel number around resources camera i is using
 The sum of pixel number around overlapping resources

Wonderful Life Utility [5]

$$U_i(a) = \phi(a_i, a_{-i}) - \phi(a_i^0, a_{-i})$$

$a_i := (a_1, \dots, a_n)$
 $a_{-i} := (a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n)$
 a_i^0 : Null action

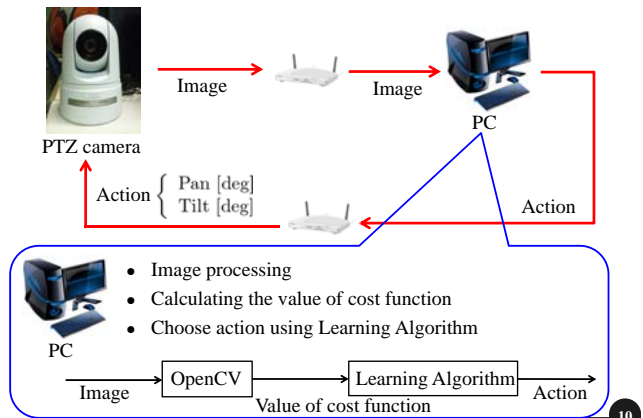
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Experimental System

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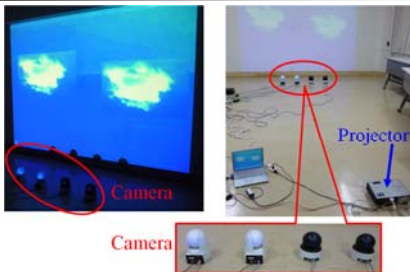
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Experiment

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Indoor



Outdoor

Experiment in the roof



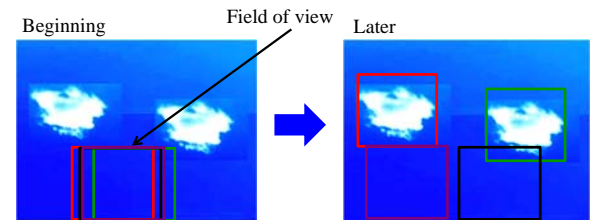
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Experiment (Indoor)

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Field of views are overlapping
 Cameras are monitoring the place that exists only blue sky

Cameras are monitoring the place that exists cloud and blue sky
 Cameras monitor widely

	Only cloud or blue sky	Existing cloud and blue sky
Pixel number of red	0	Greater than 0 ~

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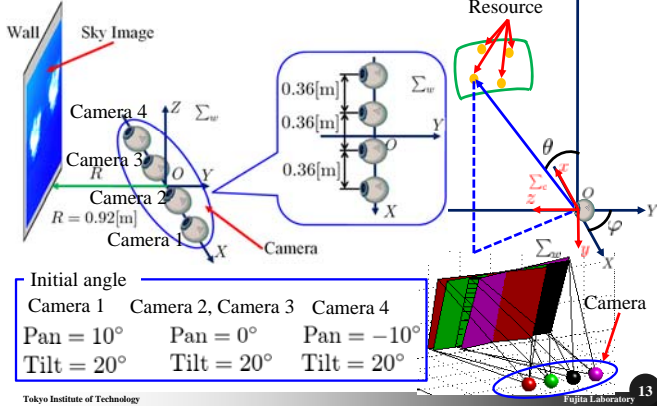
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Settings (Indoor)

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Arrangement of cameras



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Settings (Indoor)

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Agent

$N = 4$ (PTZ camera)

Action

$a_i = (\text{Pan}, \text{Tilt})$ [deg] $i = \{1, \dots, N\}$

Restricted Action Set

$\mathcal{R}_i(a_i) = \{a_i + 5(b_1, b_2) | b_1 \in \{-1, 0, 1\}, b_2 \in \{-1, 0, 1\}\}$

Camera 1

$-5^\circ \leq \text{Pan} \leq 35^\circ$ $20^\circ \leq \text{Tilt} \leq 45^\circ$

Camera 2, Camera 3

$-35^\circ \leq \text{Pan} \leq 35^\circ$ $20^\circ \leq \text{Tilt} \leq 45^\circ$

Camera 4

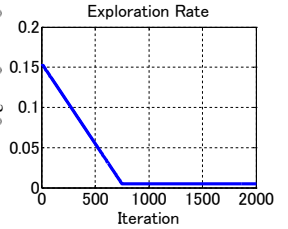
$-35^\circ \leq \text{Pan} \leq 5^\circ$ $20^\circ \leq \text{Tilt} \leq 45^\circ$

Learning Algorithm

PIPIP

Exploration Rate

$\epsilon = \begin{cases} 0.155 - 0.0002 \times \text{Iteration} & (0 \leq \text{Iteration} < 750) \\ 0.005 & (750 \leq \text{Iteration}) \end{cases}$

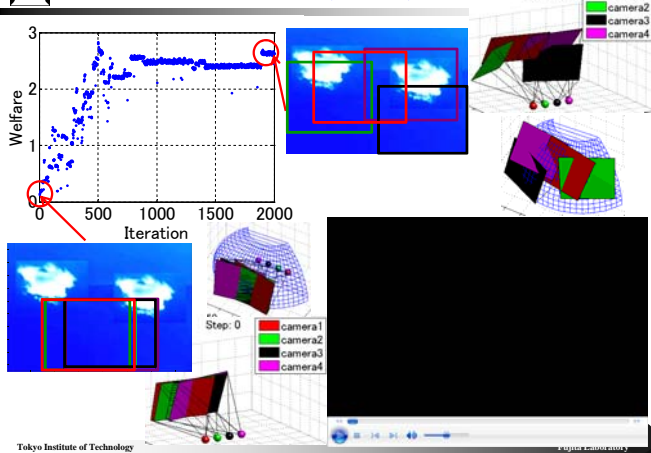


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Results (Indoor)



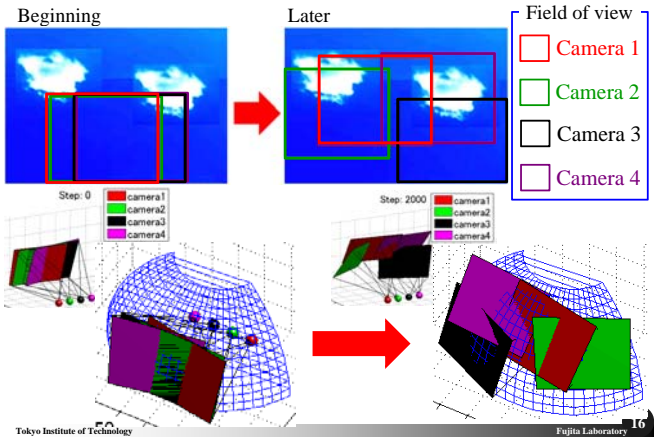
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Results (Indoor)

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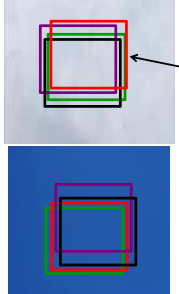
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Experiment (Outdoor)

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Beginning



Later



Field of views are overlapping
Cameras are monitoring the place that exists only blue sky or cloud

Cameras are monitoring the place that exists cloud and blue sky
Cameras monitor widely

Only cloud or blue sky	Existing cloud and blue sky
Pixel number of red	Greater than 0 ~ About 200

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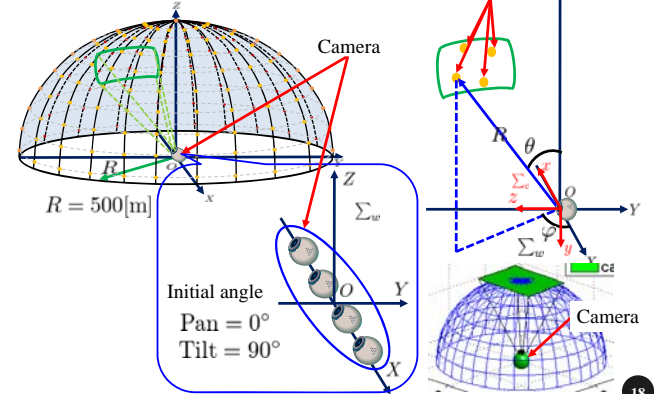
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Settings (Outdoor)

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Arrangement of cameras



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Settings (Outdoor)

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Agent

$N = 4$ (PTZ camera)

Action

$a_i = (\text{Pan}, \text{Tilt})$ [deg] $i = \{1, \dots, N\}$

Restricted Action Set

$\mathcal{R}_i(a_i) = \{a_i + 5(b_1, b_2) | b_1 \in \{-1, 0, 1\}, b_2 \in \{-1, 0, 1\}\}$

$-40^\circ \leq \text{Pan} \leq 40^\circ$

$30^\circ \leq \text{Tilt} \leq 90^\circ$

Learning Algorithm

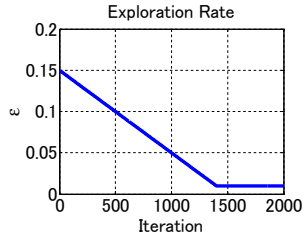
PIPIP

Exploration Rate

$$\epsilon = \begin{cases} 0.15 - 0.0001 \times \text{Iteration} & (0 \leq \text{Iteration} < 1400) \\ 0.01 & (1400 \leq \text{Iteration}) \end{cases}$$

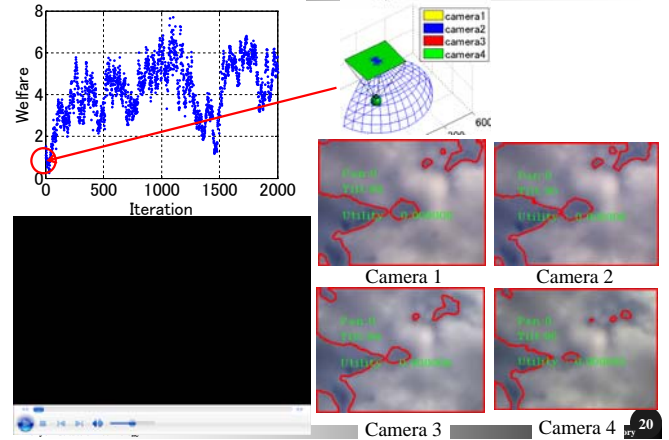
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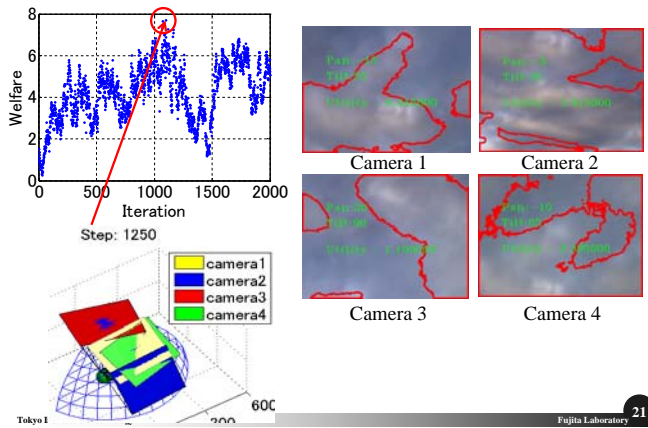
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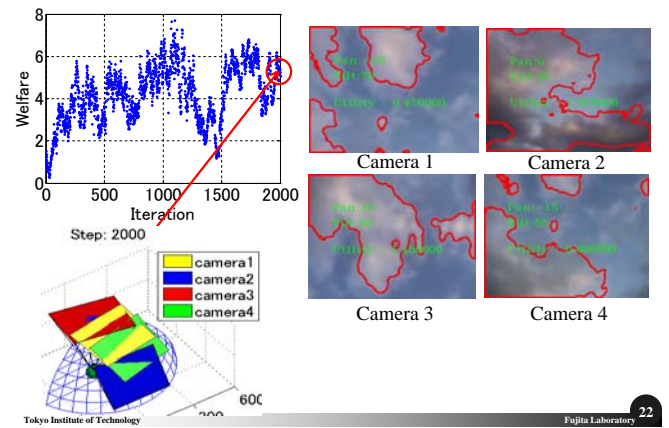
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Results (Outdoor)

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Conclusion

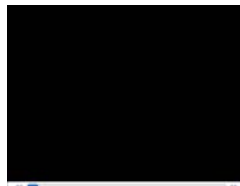
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Summary

- Proposing cost function using RBR technique
- Utility design
- Experiment (Indoor)
- Experiment (Outdoor)

Future Works

- Speed-up of processing



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