Supplementary Material Burstormer: Burst Image Restoration and Enhancement Transformer

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Here we provide more details on architectural design, additional ablations, and visual comparisons for burst SR, low-light image enhancement and denoising.

1. Network Architectural Details

In Burstormer, the EDA module is a 3-level encoderdecoder, where each level employs 1 FA (containing single deformable conv. layer) and 1 RBFE module. In the image reconstruction stage, we use 2 NRFE modules. The BFF unit both in RBFE and NRFE consists of 1 BFA module.

Figure 1 shows the BFA module that consists of multidconv head transposed attention (MDTA) and gated-Dconv feed-forward network (GDFN) [9]. MDTA encodes local and non-local context, and efficient enough to be applied to high-resolution images. Whereas, GDFN performs controlled feature transformation i.e., suppressing less informative features, and allowing only the useful information to pass further through the network.

2. Ablations on alignment and fusion modules

Table 1 compares the the properties of the proposed EDA and other existing alignment modules. Unlike existing explicit feature alignment approaches DBSR [1] and MFIR [2], the proposed EDA operates at multiple spatial scales and aligns burst features implicitly without any additional supervision. Overall, the proposed EDA module possesses required properties which makes it effective for the burst feature alignment.

Table 2 compares several feature fusion techniques. Our NRFE is flexible to taking as input the features of more than two frames. It extracts local and non-local burst features, enables long-range inter-frame interactions and aggregates the burst neighborhoods to obtain high-quality image.

3. Additional visual results

Burst Super-resolution. Figure 2, and Figure 3 show qualitative results of competing approaches on examples

from the SyntheticBurst and (real) BurstSR datasets [1] for $4 \times$ SR. The reproductions of our Burstormer are more detailed, sharper than those produced by the other methods.

Burst low-light image enhancement. Figure 4 depicts that Burstormer produces images that are visually more closer to the ground-truth than the other approaches.

Burst Denoising. Figure 5 shows that the proposed Burstormer is capable of removing noise, while preserving the desired texture and structural content.

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	DBSR/MFIR [1, 2]	TDAN [6]	PCD [7]	EBFA [4]	EDA (Ours)
Extra supervision	\checkmark	×	×	×	×
Implicit alignment	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Multi-scale hierarchy	\checkmark	×	\checkmark	×	\checkmark
Attention for feature denoising	×	×	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Reference-frame based refinement	×	×	×	×	\checkmark

Table 1.	Ablation or	existing	Feature alig	anment strat	egies y	with our	EDA	module.
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	DBSR/MFIR [1,2]	PBFF [4]	NRFE (Ours)
Flexible w.r.t multiple inputs	\checkmark	×	\checkmark
Long-range inter-frame interaction	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Local and non-local feature extraction	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Computational overhead	\downarrow	\uparrow	\downarrow

Table 2. Ablation on existing Feature fusion techniques with our NRFE module.



Figure 1. **Burst Feature Attention** (BFA) used in the proposed alignment and reconstruction stages to extract features encoding both local and non-local pixel interactions.



Figure 2. Burst super-resolution $(4 \times)$ results on SyntheticBurst dataset [1].



Figure 3. Burst super-resolution $(4 \times)$ results on BurstSR (real) dataset [1].



Figure 4. Burst low-light image enhancement comparisons on the Sony subset of SID dataset [3].



Figure 5. Burst denoising results on burst images from the grayscale [5] and color datasets [8].