

C²RV: Cross-Regional and Cross-View Learning for Sparse-View CBCT Reconstruction — Supplementary Material

Figure 8. Reconstruction performance with different numbers of projection views. We compare our proposed C^2RV and previous state-of-the-art DIF-Net [6] on *N*-view reconstruction of chest CT with the resolution of 256³. PSNR (dB) and SSIM (×10⁻²) are evaluated and reported in (a) and (b), respectively.

A. Additional Experiments

The Number of Views. In Figure 8, we compare the proposed C^2RV with previous state-of-the-art DIF-Net [6] on sparse-view chest CT reconstruction from different numbers of views (*i.e.*, 2-10). With only 2 views as the input, our C^2RV can perform better than DIF-Net with 8 views in terms of PSNR and SSIM.

Noisy Scanning Parameters. In Figure 9, we evaluate the reconstruction performance of C^2RV with different noisy scanning parameters. A detailed description of the experimental setup is given in Sec. 5.2. Our C^2RV can be robust to slight shifts in scanning parameters. However, larger shifts will cause performance collapse as the backprojection (Eqn. 3) and pixel-aligned querying (Eqn. 1) are highly dependent on the precise measurement process.



Figure 9. Reconstruction performance with noisy scanning parameters, including viewing angles and the distance of source to origin (DSO) in (a) and (b), respectively. Experiments are conducted on 6-view chest CT reconstruction with the resolution of 256³. PSNR (dB) and SSIM ($\times 10^{-2}$) are reported.

Comparison with The Resolution of 128³. In Table 6, we compare different reconstruction methods with the reconstruction resolution of 128^3 . To evaluate the performance, we resample ground-truth CT with double voxel spacing.

Limited-Angle Reconstruction. In Table 7, we compare our C²RV and DIF-Net [6] on limited-angle reconstruction, where view angles are selected in the range of 144° , 108° , and 72° . 6-view and 8-view reconstruction experiments are included to demonstrate the consistently superior performance of our proposed C²RV.

Results on Dental CBCT. In Table 8, we additionally conduct experiments on a dental CBCT dataset, ToothFairy [1], consisting of 343 training, 25 validation, and 75 testing cases. Visualization examples are shown in Figure 10.

Table 6. Comparison of different methods on two CT datasets (*i.e.*, chest and knee) with various numbers of projection views. The resolution of the reconstructed CT is 128³. The reconstruction results are evaluated with PSNR (dB) and SSIM ($\times 10^{-2}$), where higher PSNR/SSIM indicate better performance. The best values are **bolded** and the second-best values are <u>underlined</u>.

Method	Туре	LUNA16 [8] (Chest CT)			Lin et al. [6] (Knee CBCT)		
		6-View	8-View	10-View	6-View	8-View	10-View
FDK [3]		16.35 37.36	17.74 40.39	18.61 42.86	19.57 38.53	21.27 42.58	22.68 46.76
SART [2]	Self-	20.45 65.87	20.76 69.10	20.91 71.56	25.43 80.75	26.56 85.24	27.55 88.42
NAF [11]	Supervised	19.13 50.95	21.12 61.23	23.02 68.06	20.82 53.58	23.01 63.86	24.98 73.12
NeRP [9]		24.31 75.80	26.66 83.08	26.93 83.66	25.10 72.28	26.57 77.52	27.23 81.92
FBPConvNet [4]	Data Drivany	26.75 80.48	27.45 81.33	28.21 83.27	26.41 84.38	27.01 86.60	27.82 88.48
FreeSeed [7]	Data-Driven: Denoising	<u>27.31</u> 82.25	<u>27.85</u> 82.85	<u>28.29</u> 83.74	27.92 87.21	28.73 88.89	30.03 90.36
BBDM [5]		26.16 81.39	26.93 81.74	27.55 83.01	27.86 87.05	28.80 88.75	30.11 90.43
PixelNeRF [10]	Data-Driven: INR-based	25.91 82.30	26.40 84.29	26.84 85.87	27.22 89.67	28.13 91.19	28.79 92.28
DIF-Net [6]		26.93 87.50	27.55 <u>88.29</u>	28.23 89.66	28.27 91.07	<u>29.60 92.23</u>	<u>30.72 94.17</u>
C ² RV (ours)		30.59 94.78	31.35 95.50	32.03 95.92	30.91 95.21	31.89 95.99	32.73 96.58

Table 7. Limited-angle reconstruction with different numbers of projection views on chest CT. PSNR (dB) and SSIM $(\times 10^{-2})$ are reported, and the reconstruction resolution is 256³.

Method	180°	144°	108°	72°			
6-View							
DIF-Net [6]	25.6 84.4	25.5 84.3	25.3 83.0	24.0 78.7			
$C^2 RV$ (ours)	29.2 92.8	29.2 92.8	28.6 92.0	27.5 90.8			
8-View							
DIF-Net [6]	26.1 85.1	26.0 85.0	25.6 84.0	24.2 79.8			
C^2RV (ours)	30.0 93.5	29.9 93.4	28.9 92.5	27.7 91.0			

Table 8. Experiments on a dental CBCT dataset (ToothFairy [1]). PSNR/SSIM ($dB/\times 10^{-2}$) are evaluated, and the reconstruction resolution is 256³. The best values are **bolded**.

Method	lethod 6-View		10-View	
FDK [3]	14.20 28.35	14.77 29.66	15.15 31.75	
NeRP [9]	21.77 72.06	24.18 78.83	25.99 82.08	
FreeSeed [7]	26.35 78.98	27.08 81.38	27.63 84.40	
BBDM [5]	26.29 78.57	27.28 80.33	28.00 83.96	
DIF-Net [6]	25.78 83.62	26.29 84.81	26.90 86.42	
C^2RV (ours)	28.85 92.81	29.30 93.03	30.04 93.38	

Additional Visualization. In Figure 10, we visualize more examples reconstructed (6-view) by different methods on 3 datasets: LUNA16 [8], Lin *et al.* [6], and ToothFairy [1].

B. Processing Efficiency

Model Parameters and Reconstruction Time. In Table 9, we compare the number of network parameters and reconstruction speed with different numbers of projection views. Although C^2RV requires a longer time for reconstruction than DIF-Net [6], the reconstruction quality of C^2RV is much better, and the reconstruction time is lower than half a minute, which is acceptable in clinical practice.

Table 9. The number of model parameters (Param.) and reconstruction time of different methods are compared on chest CT. The reconstruction resolution is 256^3 . Reconstruction (Recon.) performance (PSNR/SSIM: dB/×10⁻²) is reported for better comparison.

Mathad	Param.	6-View		8-View		
Method	(M)	Recon.	Time (s)	Recon.	Time (s)	
FDK [3]	-	14.4 30.5	0.3	15.3 31.9	0.3	
NeRP [9]	0.7	23.6 74.5	937.5	25.8 80.7	1361.1	
FBPConvNet [4]	34.6	24.4 77.6	1.7	24.9 78.9	1.7	
FreeSeed [7]	8.7	25.6 77.4	3.7	26.9 78.9	3.7	
PixelNeRF [10]	24.7	24.7 78.7	40.4	25.0 80.6	57.6	
DIF-Net [6]	31.1	25.6 84.4	1.1	26.1 85.1	1.4	
C ² RV (ours)	50.8	29.2 92.8	23.8	30.0 93.5	31.3	

Table 10. Reconstruction time (s) vs. reconstruction resolution of our proposed C²RV on chest CT dataset.

Resolution	256 ³	192 ³	128 ³	96 ³	64 ³
6-view	23.8	9.3	3.0	0.8	< 0.1
8-view	31.3	12.8	3.9	1.1	< 0.1
10-view	39.3	15.7	4.9	1.5	< 0.1

Speed vs. Resolution. In Table 10, we report the reconstruction speed of our proposed C^2RV under different experimental settings, including the number of views and reconstruction resolution.

C. Data Preprocessing

We follow [6] to generate projections by DRRs using TI-GRE¹. For knee CT, the projection configuration is the same as in [6]. For chest CT, we set the distance of source to detector (DSD) and the distance of source to origin (DSO) as 1200 mm and 800 mm, respectively. Configuration files will be made public along with the code.

¹https://github.com/CERN/TIGRE



Figure 10. Visualization of 6-view reconstruction on three different datasets. From top to bottom: LUNA16 [8] (chest CT), Lin *et al.* [6] (knee CBCT), and ToothFairy [1] (dental CBCT).

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