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Multimodal Data Fusion Technologies and Applications in Intelligent System

Message from the Guest Editors

In many real-world systems, fusing data from different sensing modalities can facilitate inference and decision making, such as millimeter-wave radar and camera data for autonomous driving; synthetic aperture radar (SAR), lidar, and satellite data for remote sensing; magnetic resonance, X-ray, and ultrasound imaging data for medical applications; moisture, temperature, and chemical sensor data for environmental applications. While late-stage fusion, also known as decision fusion, techniques for multimodal data are attractive for their simplicity, they do not use the full potential of rich multimodal data. Hence, there is a growing interest in early-stage fusion techniques which can leverage the correlation between multimodal data to improve the quality of inference and decision making. Advances in machine learning, in particular deep neural networks, have been increasing the capacity of processing complex data, e.g., high-dimensional and heterogenous data from multimodal sources. Focusing on this timely topic of AI-enabled multimodal data fusion, in this special issue, we solicit articles presenting novel methods (architectures, algorithms) and applications.

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