

COMPUTER SCIENCE RESEARCH SEMINAR

Improving Bandwidth-Efficiency of 360-Degree Video Streaming: Two Approaches

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Abstract: 360-degree video streaming is a recent innovation where each video frame encodes the omnidirectional scene around the camera. Users can view 360-degree videos using head mounted display systems, allowing for an immersive experience of the stream's content. Despite its potential, 360-degree video streaming suffers from high bandwidth requirements, hindering large-scale adaption.

In this talk, I describe two sources of bandwidth inefficiencies in 360-degree video streaming: view inefficiency - only a small field of view from each omnidirectional frame is observed by the user, and projection inefficiency - redundant pixels are introduced in the sphere-to-rectangle projection needed for encoding the 360-degree video. I next introduce two of our recent efforts to address such inefficiencies - ClusTile for efficient tiling of 360-degree videos and the MiniView Layout for improving the projection efficiency of encoded 360-degree videos.

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