Temporal Psychovisual Modulation: a new paradigm of information display

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ABSTRACT
We report on a new paradigm of information display that greatly extends the utility and versatility of current optoelectronic displays. The main innovation is to let a display of high refresh rate optically broadcast so-called atom frames, which are designed through non-negative matrix factorization to form bases for a class of images, and different viewers perceive self-intended images by using display-synchronized viewing devices and their own human visual systems to fuse appropriately weighted atom frames. This work is essentially a scheme of temporal psychovisual modulation (TPVM) in visible spectrum, using an optoelectronic modulator coupled with a biological demodulator. TPVM has a wide range of applications, including digital gaming, 3D TV/movie, virtual reality, scientific/medical visualization, security, etc. This pioneer research is featured in MIT Technology Review, Science News, Spectrum of Physics and other on-line sites.

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