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Subject: Re: Registration: still looking (dis-similar images, local , variation)

Posted by [Achim Hein](#) on Tue, 25 Mar 1997 08:00:00 GMT

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Morten Bro-Nielsen wrote:

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> Hi,  
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> I couldn't find the original posting. Could someone please send it  
> to me, please.  
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> I am just curious to see what the fuss is about - maybe my 2 cents  
> could make a difference ?  
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Original:

I am still looking for software or algorithms to do a good job of image registration (warping one of the images so equivalent features overlay each other) for those cases where the two images are not all that similar (different sensors or from much different points of view), and/or where there is a LOT of elevation-induced small scale local variation, due to different projection-to-ground or layover geometries.

Nice, rapid user interfaces (e.g., grab a point with a mouse and drag it to the desired position on the other image, while watching the two registered images blink back-and-forth between each other) would surely help. The ability to apply smooth warping splines to many small areas is a must.

Any ideas?

This has surely got to be one of the oldest problems in remote sensing, and good solutions MUST exist by now. I promise to post useful responses to the news groups.

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Mitchell R Grunes, grunes@imsy1.nrl.navy.mil. Opinions are mine alone.

Answer 1:

Perhaps you should offer a monetary reward. :-)

Cheers!

David

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David Fanning, Ph.D.

Answer 2:

We are working on an automatic registration module too. We have modules for detecting layover and shadow areas, for converting slant range heights, distances and amplitudes to ground geometry, for precision phase unwrapping and last but not least a precision processing algorithm. The simplest registration (airplane geometry) works like this:

- evaluate range displacements
- design a linear function in Range
- get a constant azimuth value
- registered pixel=rg\_constant+range\_linear\*pixel\_number
- look for a threshold i.e. 0.1 pixel

evaluate it iterativ range by range

But think of David Fannings post:  
"Perhaps you should offer a monetary reward."

That's the point - or are there any precise SAR-algorithms for free?

Regards

Achim  
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