
Subject: Re: Polynomial warping of satellite images
Posted by [Andy Loughe](#) on Tue, 30 Jun 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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Liam,

Hi!

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--Andy

Liam Gumley wrote:

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> Has anyone tried warping large (say 2048x2048) satellite images to map
> projections using POLYWARP and POLY_2D in IDL? I've looked at the
> documentation, but I'm not quite sure where to begin. If someone has
> tried this before, I'd like to learn more.

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> Cheers,
> Liam.

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"I do not feel obliged to believe that the same God who has endowed us
with
sense, reason, and intellect has intended us to forego their use."
-Galileo

Subject: Re: Polynomial warping of satellite images
Posted by [wmc](#) on Wed, 01 Jul 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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In article 5658@cdc.noaa.gov, Andy Loughe <afl@cdc.noaa.gov> writes:

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- William

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Posted by [Liam Gumley](#) on Thu, 02 Jul 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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You are correct. MAP_IMAGE and MAP_PATCH require data on a regular lat/lon grid. Transforming irregularly gridded data to a regular grid is pretty straightforward for small datasets, but it just isn't possible (using TRIANGULATE and TRIGRID) to rectify large satellite images. I'm sure it can be done with POLYWARP - I just need to find out exactly how (the documentation is a bit obscure).

Cheers,
Liam.
