Towards the Future of Geomatics Science – Its Global Impacts

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Definition of Geomatics (ISO,1996)

• “Geomatics is a field of activity which, using a systematic approach, integrates all the means used to acquire and manage spatial data required as part of scientific, administrative, legal and technical operations involved in the process of production and management of spatial information. These activities include, but are not limited to, cartography, control surveying, digital mapping, geodesy, geographic information systems, hydrography, land information management, land surveying, mining surveying, photogrammetry and remote sensing.”

• “Geomatics is the modern scientific term referring to the integrated approach of measurement, analysis, management and display of spatial data.”
New definition of Geomatics in big data era

• Geomatics in big data era is a multiple discipline science and technology which, using a systematic approach, integrates all the means for spatio-temporal data acquisition, information extraction, networked management, knowledge discovering, spatial sensing and cognition, as well as intelligent location based services of any physical objects and human activities around the earth and its environment.

The future of Geomatics

1. Full automation;
2. Real time services;
3. From earth observation to human observation.
Unmanned aerial vehicle **“TianHuo”** (Independent Research and Development)

- TianHuo + Pisces tilt camera
  - Flight time: 45 min
  - Operation range: 0.6~0.8 km²
  - Ground pixel resolution: 1-3cm
  - Maximum altitude: 4000 m
  - Remote control distance: 10km

Flight master (control UAV):
- Specially designed for surveying and mapping
- Simplify hand flying operation, intelligent

Three Dimensional Automatic Modeling of Administration Building of Wuhan University
Automatic 3D construction of Maya Ruins using non-metric Camera

Maya Ruins
Mayan ruins

Maya Statue Modeling using get3d.cn

40 images, Canon Camera
Modeling using Mobile Phone (Huawei)
Collected using Huawei Mobile Phone, 11 images to create model
Three Dimensional Automatic Modeling from Outdoor to Indoor

Automatic image search: automatic search for target from remote sensing images

How to search arbitrary target automatically from big image database (such as Google Maps and Sky maps), achieve:

- Fast
- Accurate
- Directly on the Internet without the need to enter addresses
Image Retrieval on Large-Scale Tiled RS Image Database

A deep learning based high performance online search engine

- 10 million tiled remote sensing images
- Deep learning based content extraction and semantic modeling
- Second response time
- Search by keywords, semantic and example

Object Level

- Ship
- Airplane
- Playground
- ...

Land Cover Level

- Farmland
- Fishpond
- Villa area
- ...

Scene Level

- Wharf
- Overpass
- Parking lots
- ...

Image Retrieval on Large-Scale Tiled RS Image Database
### Automatic Change Detection for UAV Data

- Transmitting data
- Matching to Produce DOQ 1sec/frame
- 15sec for Change Detection
- Visualization
- Emerging Use

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### Automatic Block Adjustment without GCP for super large area with ZY-3 Data

- Automatic block adjustment of ZY-3 data (8810x3 scenes, 40TB);
- 3 million connection points are automatically selected from the 2 billion matched points by using the gross error detection method;
- Automatic generation of DOQ (2x2m) and DSM(5x5), which can meet the requirements of 1:50,000 topographic mapping.

Result after System Error Compensation and Gross Error Elimination (5 Meters)

- Data Volume: 40TB
- 60 Computation Nodes
- GPU+CPU
- Completed in 10 days
DOM/DSM Automatic Production of the Whole China

2mDOM 5mDSM

ZY-3 Images are used for “Global Automatic Mapping Major Projects”: Central Asia, Thailand, Burma and Germany
The human brain obtains information of the surrounding environment by visual, auditory and other functions. Then the information is transmitted to the left and right hemispheres using the neurons. The left and right hemispheres analyze the surrounding environment information, thus guiding people’s behavior.

EOB can achieve on-board sensing, cognition and transmitting the right data, information and knowledge to the end user in real time.
Intelligent Detection and Location Architecture for Time-sensitive Target

Real time RS to your Smartphone

On board processing in Real time:
- Cloud detection
- Object detection
- Change detection
- Geo-positioning: data compression and transmission

Case 1
Case 2

Service time: ~few seconds
Real time GIS (GeoSmarter)

Real time GIS Platform

Data stream input

Realtime data analysis

Dynamic management

Geo-services

Sensing
Analysis / cognition
action

Smart city operation Brain
From Earth Observation to Human Observation

EO Technology of Remote Sensing

Human Environment Relationship

Spatiotemporal Variations of Environmental Changes
Qualitative, Quantitative, etc.

Spatiotemporal Variations of Human Activities
Category, Intensity, Mixture, etc.

(HO) Human Observation

Evaluating the Syrian Civil War using the night-time light RS

We use the DMSP/OLS monthly product to show the night-time light in Syria. From these images, most of previously lighted areas have fallen to darkness.

Night-time light in March, 2011
Night-time light in February, 2014
By using clustering analysis on normalized multi-temporal night-time light images, the spatiotemporal pattern of the night-time light is revealed.

The two-class map shows two different night-time light variation patterns with the international border as the pattern border; The three-class map shows a similar pattern.

Evaluating the Syrian Civil War

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Geo-computation with GNSS Tracking Data

- Mobile phone
- Video
- Taxi
- Indoor Location
- Bus and subway card data
- New Media Check in Data

City’s Travel Track Big Data

Smart Emergency Brain of Wuhan Traffic Management
In 2017, in the national ranking of traffic congestion, the system improved Wuhan from 23 to 53.

In Oct. 2017, using “7 quick model”, the system minimized traffic congestion accident handling time from 7 minutes to 90 seconds.

On 11th Dec. 2017, Keqiang Li, the Prime Minister of P. R. China, spoke highly of the system after watching its operation.

**Conclusion**

1. The ubiquitous space-air-ground sensors will produce unprecedented big spatio-temporal data;

2. Facing the situation of “mass data, less information, lack of knowledge”, the integration of big geospatial data, cloud computing and AI techniques should be very important;

3. The integration of earth observation and human observation is helpful to answer the human-nature relation.
Satellite LJ-1 Series **PNTRC**

*Wuhan University launches the Satellite LJ-01 to verify PNTRC thought*

- **Satellite LJ-1A**
  - The first professional night light remote sensing satellite in China has a pioneering significance for the development of China’s luminous remote sensing satellite and the application of remote sensing in the social and economic fields.
  - The LEOS-based navigation enhancement, the first test in the world. The test results are of great significance to the follow-up construction of the Beidou System in China. It is possible to lay aside the need for building global stations in foundation reinforcement.

- **Satellite LJ-1B**
  - *Multi-angle radar remote sensing*, the first test in the world. The test results are of great significance to the development of radar satellite and radar mapping in China.
  - *Video radar remote sensing*, the first test in the world. The test results are of great significance to the application and innovation of moving target detection and tracking.

- **Satellite LJ-1C**
  - *sensor to shooter*, the first test in China. The test results are of great significance to the consumption level application. LJ-1C will send the real time 0.5 resolution video image directly to the end user’s Smartphone.
Main technical parameters of Satellite LJ-1A

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<td>Orbit Height</td>
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<td>Ground Pixel Resolution</td>
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<td>Imaging Spectrum</td>
<td>480nm~800nm</td>
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<td>Imaging Mode</td>
<td>night light mode + day light mode</td>
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<td>Maneuverability</td>
<td>elevation axis &gt; 0.9° /s</td>
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<td>Three Axis Attitude Stability</td>
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<td>Total Satellite Mass</td>
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<td>On Orbit Envelope Size</td>
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<td>Design Life</td>
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Satellite LJ-1A Diagram

The Real Satellite LJ-1A
Development of Satellite LJ-1A

Launching of Satellite LJ-1A with CZ-2 Rocket (June 2, 2018)

Night time light Image of LJ-1A
Night time light Image of S-NPP/VIIRS

Night time Light Image of Wuhan (LJ-1A)
Night time Light Image of Wuhan(S-NPP/VIRS)

LEO Navigation enhancement Principle

- Receiving GNSS Signals
- On board Processing
- Signal transmission to ground
LEO Navigation enhancement Test on LJ-1A

Test results:
Accuracy of pseudo range 2-3m (1σ),
Accuracy of carrier phase 2-3cm (1σ)

Satellite LJ-1B

Wuhan University and Beijing Institute of Spacecraft System Engineering(ISSE) have being jointly developed the satellite LJ-1B, a Chinese scientific experiment SAR satellite, which has some new imaging functions, such as multi-angle imaging and video imaging.

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### Satellite imaging mode

#### Multi-angle imaging

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Schedule of the Satellite LJ-1B

- February 2017: Launching of the project
- June 2017: Further argumentation of the project
- December 2017~June 2019: Development and Production
- September 2019(in plan): Satellite Launching