

THE METHODOLOGY OF REMOTE SENSING IMAGE DATA SCALE SPACE FORMING

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ABSTRACT

Remote sensing image has information and reality of earth surface content. The principle aim of the producing n-classes object is information extraction. The need of users can be defined correspond to the information scale of object classes, the scale issue is their studying. It will be important as the scaling property has a characteristic hierarchy and link, from the class level of global scale to detail scale. The scaling is performed by using the Gaussian function, the scaling result with factor of more than 100 gives an homogenous image and also object class forms conserving image.

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1. Introduction

The remote sensing satellites that map the earth surface of Indonesia, such as LANDSAT ETM, SPOT, MODIS, NOAA, IKONOS, Quick Bird, Orbview, Feun Yeun, etc. Have spectral, spatial and textural characteristic. All spectral, spatial and textural assembly can be located in such of space that emerges spectral, spatial and textural space terminology.

The treatment that can be done to a space is in its presentation corresponds to its scale. The presentation correlates to its content, therefore it will provide different information depth.

The above alinea being studied in this paper to develop the scaling methods in a remote sensing image data space. The importance of the scale space existence correlates to the increasing property of remote sensing data nowadays and future, for instant hyperspectral and ultra spectral. The scale space characteristic especially are class structure and connection. They all depend on their ability to explore and exploit the class labeling process.

The paper consist of 7 (seven) sections, that are introduction, filtering theory, methodology, data and processing results, analysis and synthesis, conclusion and the list of literatures.

2. Scale Space Theory

The scale space can be described as multiscale presentation of a convoluted signal by widening Gaussian kernel, the scale space categories into linear and unlinear. The linear scale space is identic to casuality, homogeneity, and isotropy, in the contrary with unlinear scale space.

According to [1,2], the linear scale space can be constructed by attaching a L_0 image into a image parameter $L(.,s)$, so that there is a such process look like diffusion with formula as diffusi

$$\partial_t L = \nabla^2 L \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

With the original condition of $L(.,0)=L_0$. In order to finish the scale space in a special "time" t , can be done by Gaussian convolution, as the following formula

$$L(.,t) = L * G^{\sqrt{2t}} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

where

$$G^s(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(s\sqrt{2\pi})^D} \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{2s^2}\right) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

The scale is not the same as the spreading time, the substitution is $s = \sqrt{2t}$.

In relation with the computation, the mathematical derivation is replaced by Gaussian concept, the formula becomes:

$$\partial L \longrightarrow \partial^s L = \partial(L * G^s) = L * \partial G^s \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

The equation (4) state that one derivation is replaced by convolution of Gaussian cernel derivation. The calculation can be performed by the following formula:

$$(L * \partial G^s)(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\Omega} L(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \partial G^s(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

L is not a function but it is a sample of object class, while ∂G^s kernel widening the spatial. The equation (5) can be explained as the following; that the limited amount of sample, while the Gaussian function has unlimited influence to the sample.

The equation (5) can be presented as convolution form, with formula as follows:

$$(L * W)(x) = \int_{\Omega} L(x - y)W(y)dy \quad \dots\dots (6)$$

If it is presented as convolution sum, the formula is following:

$$(L * W)(k) = \sum_{l \in \Omega} L(k - l)W(l) \quad \dots\dots\dots (7)$$

The following, the visualization of Gaussian function graph, sample function and convolution function.

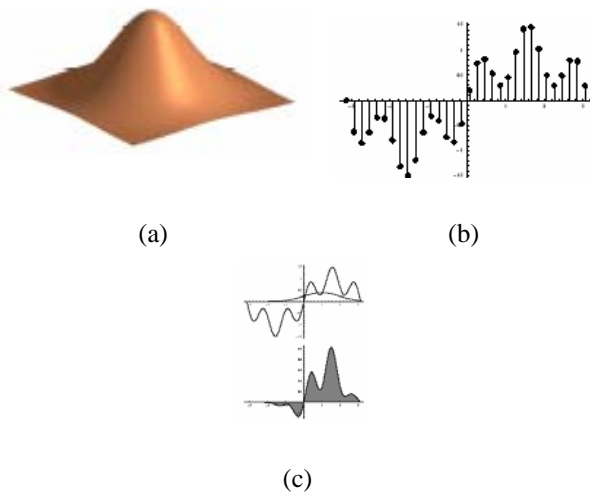


Figure 1. (a) Visualization of Gaussian Function; (b) Visualization of Sample Function; (c) Visualization of Convolution Function

In order to convolute a small scale of sample function of L_n , it can be formulate as follows.

$$L^n(x, y) = \frac{1}{n!} x^n \quad \dots\dots\dots (7)$$

The equation (7), the n derivation is

$$\partial_{x^n} L^n = 1 \quad \dots\dots\dots (8)$$

3. The Scaling Methodology

According to [3], the simplification of scaling (*s*) in the scale space is performed by interpolation (*I*), application (*G*), and sampling (*S*), the formula is the following:

$$s = I * G * S \quad \dots\dots\dots (9)$$

If the sample image is $B = \{b_1 \dots b_p\}$, then the L function become

$$L(k) = S_B(L)(k) = L(Bk) \quad \dots\dots\dots (10)$$

To interpolate B, can be used the interpolation methods bellow:

$$\mathcal{I}_{B,\phi}(L)(x) = \sum_k \phi(x - Bk)L(k) \quad \dots\dots\dots (11)$$

The convolution of L in interpolation approach, results

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{I}_{B,\phi}L * W)(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} \left(\sum_k \phi(x - y - Bk)L(k) \right) W(y)dy \\ &= \sum_k L(k) \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} \phi(x - y - Bk)W(y)dy \\ &= \sum_k L(k) (\phi * W)(x - Bk) \quad \dots\dots (12) \end{aligned}$$

The equation (11), can be explained that the convolution integral count for the the sample image sum convolution approach and kernel sample. The accuracy depends on the interpolation accuracy.

Briefly the derivation methodology of the Gaussian scale space is:

$$f_{\sigma}(x, y) = g_{\sigma}(x, y) * f(x, y) \quad \dots\dots\dots (12)$$

$$\frac{\partial f_{\sigma}}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial g_{\sigma}}{\partial x} * f \quad \dots\dots\dots (13)$$

4. Data and Processing

This research uses multispectral data, by using Landsat ETM (Enhanced Thematic Mapper) sensor, Figure 2 shows around Soekarno Hatta Airport areal. The specification of used data in the research can be seen in Table 1. The image size is $488 \times 329 \times 3 = 160.552$ byte, and its resolution is 15 m. This data is acquired in 1 Juni 2001. The geographical characteristic of the image is using Universal Transform Marcator (UTM) projection, with datum WGS 48 S and the geographic location of data is (LL: $6^{\circ}7'52.20''S$, $106^{\circ}42'2.85''E$) or (834652.50E, 9287167.50S).

Table 1. Wavelength Spektral of LANDSAT ETM

| No | Band Width (nm) | Mid Wavelength (μm) |
|----|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 5,7 | 445,7 |
| 2 | 5,8 | 503,0 |
| 3 | 5,8 | 532,9 |
| 4 | 5,8 | 571,3 |
| 5 | 4,9 | 602,4 |
| 6 | 5,8 | 651,6 |
| 7 | 5,8 | 674,3 |
| 8 | 5,9 | 710,5 |

This location is selected because of it has unique object classes and relatively stable; such as building, ponds, grass pattern, aspal roads and trees. The conservated of forms, texture and the greenness give opportunity in observation and research of the administration border. The research location is Soekarno Hatta airport, Tangerang region, Province Banten that can be seen in the Figure 2. All calculation and other processing was conducted by using PC and Matlab 7.2.

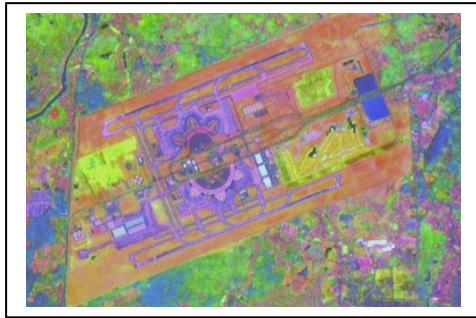


Figure 2. Landsat ETM Image

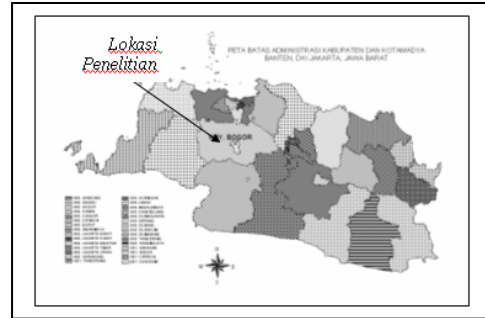


Figure 3. Research Location

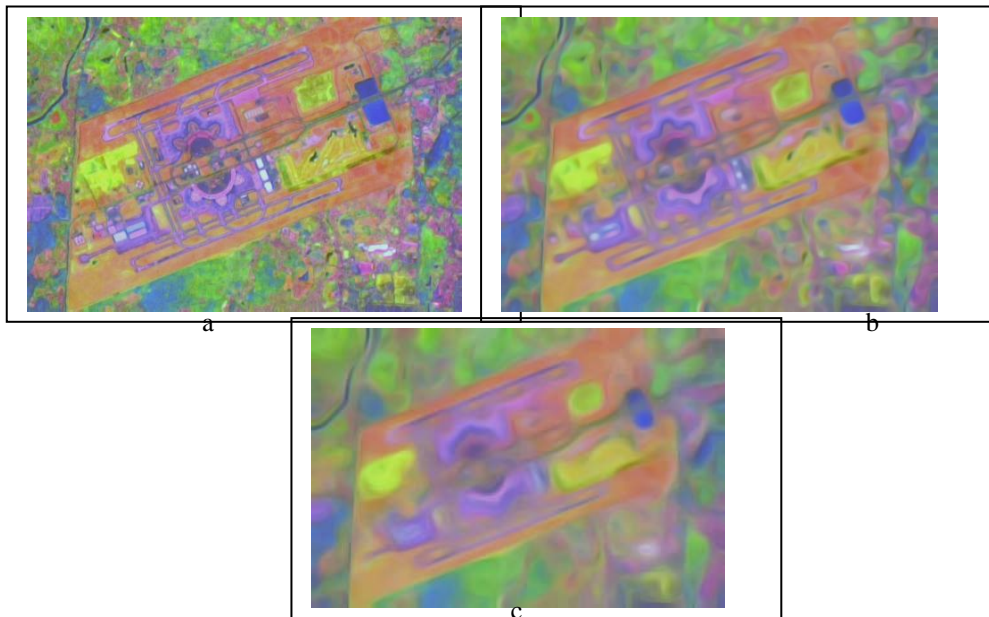


Figure 4. (a) Scaling of factor 5; (b) Scaling of factor 100; (c) Scaling of factor 500

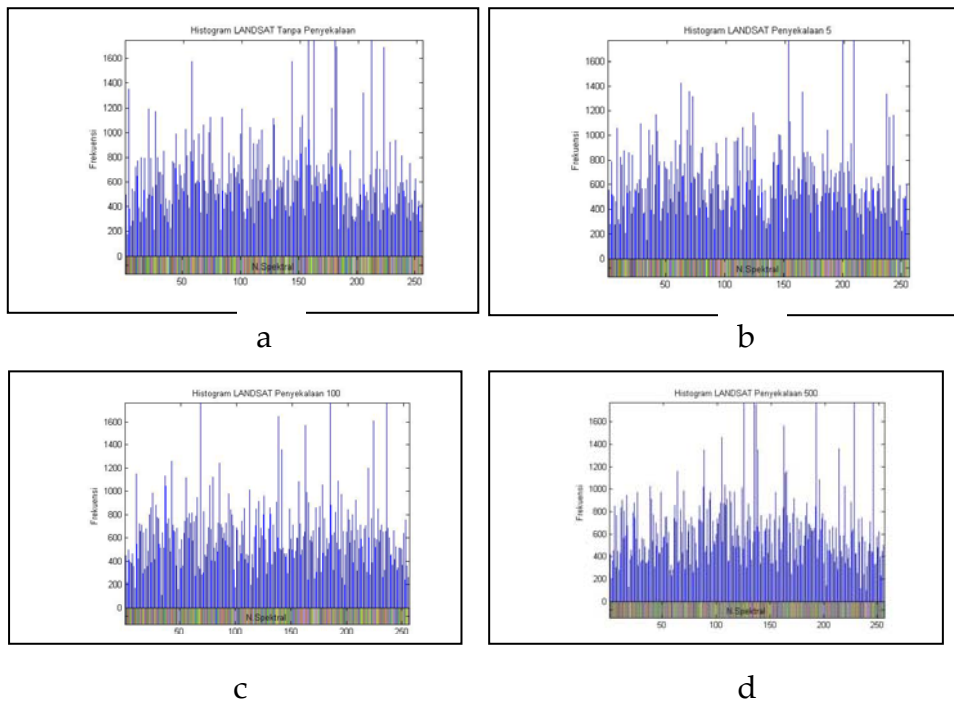


Figure 5. (a) Histogram of no scaling; (b) Histogram of scaling factor 5; (c) Histogram of scaling factor 100; (d) Histogram of scaling factor 500

5. Processing Result

5.1 Scaling Result

Figure 4.a explain that the result of scaling of factor 5 compare to the original image has almost the same feature classes. But the differences can be seen physically in figure 5.b. The quantitatively can be shown in the statistical calculation result in figure 5.b.

Figure 4.b explain that scaling of 100 has a significant change of original image. There is some group of object classes with some medium homogenities. They can be seen from the object class feature forms, such as apron/ airport buildings, runway, pond near runway end, grass pattern around the runway and airport.

5.2 The Histogram of Scaling

Figure 4.c is the result of scaling of 500. It shows that the image has a high homogeneity. It is easier to group the object classes. Therefore from the figure 4.a, 4.b and 4.c it is known that there is hierarchy of objec classes. Figure 4.c has less object classes than figure 4.b and less than figure 4.a. This phenomenon indicates that scale space can be used in processing remote sensing data.

5.3 Statistical Calculation

a. No Scaled Image

| Band | Min | Max | Mean | Stdev |
|------|-----|-----|------------|-----------|
| 1 | 56 | 232 | 148.685566 | 33.394490 |
| 2 | 68 | 242 | 142.923607 | 28.597587 |
| 3 | 0 | 254 | 123.792298 | 37.897499 |

Covariance Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 1115.191967 | 176.021703 | -58.594860 |
| 2 | 176.021703 | 817.822001 | -410.886014 |
| 3 | -58.594860 | -410.886014 | 1436.220421 |

Correlation Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 1.000000 | 0.184316 | -0.046299 |
| 2 | 0.184316 | 1.000000 | -0.379124 |
| 3 | -0.046299 | -0.379124 | 1.000000 |

b. Scaled 5 Image

| Band | Min | Max | Mean | Stdev |
|------|-----|-----|------------|-----------|
| 1 | 53 | 236 | 148.567218 | 32.155178 |
| 2 | 67 | 245 | 142.845919 | 27.538045 |
| 3 | 0 | 255 | 123.673701 | 36.239117 |

Covariance Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 1033.955445 | 151.960230 | -74.046986 |
| 2 | 151.960230 | 758.343930 | -418.403211 |
| 3 | -74.046986 | -418.403211 | 1313.273588 |

Correlation Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 1.000000 | 0.171611 | -0.063545 |
| 2 | 0.171611 | 1.000000 | -0.419261 |
| 3 | -0.063545 | -0.419261 | 1.000000 |

c. Scaled 100 Image

| Band | Min | Max | Mean | Stdev |
|------|-----|-----|------------|-----------|
| 1 | 64 | 211 | 147.786736 | 29.863402 |
| 2 | 77 | 237 | 142.216478 | 24.905842 |
| 3 | 28 | 241 | 123.493304 | 33.548966 |

Covariance Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 891.822797 | 87.543530 | -124.462185 |
| 2 | 87.543530 | 620.300977 | -460.612673 |
| 3 | -124.462185 | -460.612673 | 1125.533100 |

Correlation Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 1.000000 | 0.117702 | -0.124228 |
| 2 | 0.117702 | 1.000000 | -0.551259 |
| 3 | -0.124228 | -0.551259 | 1.000000 |

d. Scaled 500 Image

| Band | Min | Max | Mean | Stdev |
|------|-----|-----|------------|-----------|
| 1 | 67 | 201 | 147.735681 | 27.672430 |
| 2 | 84 | 234 | 141.792217 | 22.583065 |
| 3 | 31 | 224 | 123.474718 | 30.864132 |

Covariance Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 765.763403 | 49.369511 | -110.483973 |
| 2 | 49.369511 | 509.994808 | -424.836920 |
| 3 | -110.483973 | -424.836920 | 952.594648 |

Correlation Matrix

| Band | Band 1 | Band 2 | Band 3 |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 1.000000 | 0.079000 | -0.129359 |
| 2 | 0.079000 | 1.000000 | -0.609516 |
| 3 | -0.129359 | -0.609516 | 1.000000 |

5.4 Synthesis and Analysis

Visually, there is a feature color changing, from divergence spreading color to convergence, indicated by the reduction of the various type object class number. The obviously can be seen in the un scaled image and scale of factor 500.

In realizing of an homogeneity of class, will easier to object classification, that is called scaling process. The pattern of the resulted scale of statistical result, obviously can be known in the covariance matrix and correlation matrix, histogram pattern of its statistic is also different. The indication points that scaling process has been run that result to object class.

6. Conclusion

The scaling gives a meaning of the execution of object class classification in remote sensing, therefore will give the estimation of class numbers. The Gaussian function can be utilized for the scaling of the remote sensing image. The result is quite significant in developing the remote sensing image scale.

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Enclosure

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function Ig=gaussian(I,uk,sg)
% I=input citra
% uk = ukuran kernel
% sg = simpangan gaussian

[Ny,Nx]=size(I);
huk=(uk-1)/2; % ukuran kernel
if (Ny<uk) % konvolusi 1 D
    x=(-huk:huk);
    filter=exp(-(x.^2)/(2*sg)); % gaussian
1D
    filter=filter/sum(sum(filter)); %
normalisasi
% Perluasan
    x0=mean(I(:,1:huk)); xn=mean(I(:,Nx-
huk+1:Nx));
    eI=[x0*ones(Ny,uk) I xn*ones(Ny,uk)];
    Ig=conv(eI,filter);
    Ig=Ig(:,uk+huk+1:Nx+uk+huk);
else
    %% Konvolusi 2D
    x=ones(uk,1)*(-huk:huk); y=x';
    filter=exp(-(x.^2+y.^2)/(2*sg)); %
gaussian 2D
    filter=filter/sum(sum(filter)); %
normalisasi
% Perluasan
    if (huk>1)
        xL=mean(I(:,1:huk)');
        xR=mean(I(:,Nx-huk+1:Nx)');
    else
        xL=I(:,1); xR=I(:,Nx);
    end
    eI=[xL*ones(1,huk) I xR*ones(1,huk)];
    if (huk>1)
        xU=mean(eI(1:huk,:)); xD=mean(eI(Ny-
huk+1:Ny,:));
    else
        xU=eI(1,:); xD=eI(Ny,:);
    end
    eI=[ones(huk,1)*xU; eI;
ones(huk,1)*xD];
    Ig=conv2(eI,filter,'valid');
end
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