Occlusion Detection for Dynamic Adaptation

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Motivation

- We are attempting to show that using metadata information such as Open Street Map will aid in detecting occluded and shadowed regions of a scene.

Knowledge of occluded and shadowed regions will help with:

1. Merging vehicle tracks from before and after an occlusion event.
2. Reposition airborne platform to location where future occlusion events will be minimized for a target vehicle.
3. Predict expected hyperspectral signature of a vehicle.
RGB or HSI? What Should We Trust?
Project Framework

Initial Params: platform, scene estimation

- Real Hyperspectral Data Acquisition (~1Hz temporal resolution)
- Simulated DIRSIG Hyperspectral Data
- Adjust Params and update scene
- Infer cause of disparity between observed and simulated image

Steer Platform for target tracking

Image Preprocessing

Target Detection
There is a need to develop a method to infer the cause of disparity between observed and simulated images

- Common sources of disparity include occlusions, shadows, and atmospheric changes
- Simulated imagery obtained using Digital Image Remote Sensing Image Generation (DIRSIG)

Simple car simulation using DIRSIG
Benefits of Physics Based Simulated Imagery

- Can adjust weather and atmospheric conditions of scene so that dataset is not biased towards sunny weather imagery
- Augment data with physics equations
- Image same scene with various imaging modalities
- Can change camera and vehicle position at will
Vehicle Dataset Collection

- We collected data of over 450 vehicles in a parking lot with a drone platform

- Data are converted to reflectance and then imported into DIRSIG (Digital Imaging and Remote Sensing Image Generation) to create simulated physics based hyperspectral imagery of vehicles
Raw Data to Simulated Imagery

Collect hyperspectral imagery from airborne platform

Calibrate data using lab measured spectral responsivity curve

Convert data to spectral reflectance using downwelling irradiance

Generate simulated imagery with observed vehicle paint signatures
Observation Angle and Weather

- Expected spectral radiance of target vehicle is iteratively updated based on atmospheric weather and airborne camera orientation
OSM Data for Predicting Occluded Regions

Example of a DIRSIG scene using OSM terrain (left), and addition of trees (right) to the scene to occlude the ground terrain. Green represents ground vegetation and grey/white is paved roads.

Simulated DIRSIG scene with trees (left) and an occlusion and shadow mask ground truth image (center) showing all occluded and shadowed pixels in the scene in white. On the right is the result of a spectral angle classification that is used to detect change between the initial ground terrain image and a simulated observed image frame containing trees.
Simulated Hyperspectral Data
Conclusion

- In a DDDAS framework, we dynamically update a physics-based simulated scene as occluded regions are detected.
- Online executing simulated imagery predicts the expected spectral radiance signature of a target vehicle as it moves through an environment.
- Labeled vehicle bounding box dataset of simulated hyperspectral imagery is created to train vehicle detection and tracking algorithms.
Thank You

Any Questions?