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A unified radiosity model for optical and microwave regions

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1. Where RAPID comes from?

My Ph.D. supervisors:

- Xiaowen Li (Geometric Optics Model)
- Qinhuo Liu (link to Qin in NASA/GSFC)
- Wenhan Qin (RGM, 2000) ← Goel (DIANA, 1991)

I am in the boat of radiosity theory

- TRGM (thermal RGM, 2007)
- LRGM (large RGM, 2009)–RAMI-IV (RGM2)
- RAPID (rapid RGM, 2013)
- Now RAPID2

REMOTE SENS. ENVIRON. 36:73-104 (1991)

A Computer Graphics Based Model for Scattering from Objects of Arbitrary Shapes in the Optical Region DIANA model

Narendra S. Goel, Ivan Rozehnal, and Richard L. Thompson* Department of Systems Science, State University of New York, Binghamton



I. Created a modified L system to objects of arbitrary shapes



2. Developed a complete radiosity framework for plants with high transmittance under outdoor light environment $B_{i} = E_{i} + \rho_{i} \sum_{k}^{N} B_{j} F_{ij} + (\tau_{i} \sum_{k}^{N} B_{k} T_{ik},$

3-D Scene Modeling of Semidesert Vegetation Cover and its Radiation Regime

RGM

Wenhan Qin* and Siegfried A. W. Gerstl[†]



Figure 1. A photograph taken from the top of the tower at the study site (a) versus a sample of MELS-rendered Jornada scene (b) and its components [(c) mesquite, (d) yucca].



mesquite, 42.13°, tower



I. Extended DIANA to calculate FPAR hyper-spectral BRF FOV effect

2. Full validations on semi-desert vegetation

New advances of RAPID2

- 3D scenes: easy to use GUI, more simplification
- Atmosphere: RAPID-VLIDORT (Huang, GRSL, 2017)
- 3D temperature: RAPID-ENVI-met (IGARSS, 2015)
- New sensors:
 - Lidar waveform (CJRS, 2013)
 - point cloud
 - CCD image, push-broom image
 - Ground goniometer using perspective projection



Simulating fish-eye images in RGB, NIR, and TIR



黄华国,2011,系统仿真学报

Lidar point cloud simulation



TLS below canopy

TLS above Canopy 10m

TLS above Canopy 50m



Small footprint waveform

Large scale integrated simulation VNIR and TIR



(b) 伪彩色热红外(TIR)

100m by 300m

2. Objective and motivation

- I work in BJFU, the focus is forest
- What to inverse in **forestry**
 - -2D covers: land use, tree species
 - -3D structures: DEM, Volume, Biomass
 - -4D changes: disturbance, growth

Optical data alone is not sufficient Optical + microwave is required



2. Objective and motivation

- Why not unify the model development?
 - Wide knowledge base: fewer integrated talents
 - Different Imaging mechanism



Different imaging mechanism due to wave-particle duality



波粒二象性(Wave-particle duality)

2. Objective and motivation

- Although difficult, a unified multi-sensor simulation model will be beneficial:
 - -No need to waste time finding models
 - Consistent input/output parameters
 - Easy to educate and use: 3D + Windows
 - -High accuracy



Geometric Optical Model

ID RT Model

Computer 3D Model









(Huang et al., 2013)



3. Unification method selection --modeling strategies for Radar

Incoherent

2D RT MIMICS

(Ulaby, 1990)



Soybean Plants

Coherent

Corn Coherent Model (Yueh 1992)



Computer 3D Model Non-coherent (SUN, 1995) F.^s

3D Coherent Model (Liu DW 2010) Major Features: •Vector RT •Cohence •Strong Specular scattering

No shadow but with extinction
Multiple scattering overlooked



How to bridge optical and radar

- Ray tracing may be a natural choice
 - E.g. DART model + SUN model
 - The efficiency is relatively low for multiple scattering
 - Two groups of corporation
- Radiosity has special potential
 - High efficiency of multiple scattering
 - No radar application found so far
 - − One group One model → a unified model

4. RAPID2– The unified model

- Full name:
 - Radiosity Applicable to Porous IndiviDual Object version 2 for multi-sensors
- Multi-Sensors include:
 - Optical sensors: Visible and near infrared region
 - TIR sensors: Thermal region
 - Lidar sensors: TLS, ALS and spaceborne
 - Radar sensor: X, C, L, P bands



What if transmittance happens?



What if thermal wavelengths?

 $\sum_{j=1}^{2N} F_{ij} B_j$

 E_{j}

 E_{j}

 E_{j}

 E_i

j=1

 $B_i = \varepsilon \sigma T_i^4 + \rho_i \sum_{ij}^{2N} F_{ij} B_j$

- B_i radiosity
- E_i single scattering
- ρ_i reflectivity





4. Developing the unified model RAPID2 --3D Scene description



4. RAPID2 -- unified radiosity model

Radiosity for porous objects was proposed, including:

- (I) Dynamic projection for porous objects
- (2) Optical or scattering properties
- (3) Form factor determination
- (4) Radiosity solution
- (5) BRF, sigma and returns

(4.1) dynamic projection

When wavelength is far less than leaf size Specific random leaves are generated during projection



When wavelength is comparable to or larger than leaf size Random pixels are generated during projection Which means no significant shadows

Projection by LAI, LAD, thickness Branch density, branch length Branch diameter And so on

Transmittance is done here For each band and each polarization

The pixel density is based on the extinction coefficients

(4.2.1) For optical properties



(4.2.2) For microwave scattering properties

Averaging the scattering matrix of elements (leaf or branch) within the Single Leaf model porous object Senior, T. B. A., K. Sarabandi, and F.T. Ulaby



Senior, T. B. A., K. Sarabandi, and F.T. Ulaby, "Measuring and Modeling the Backscattering Cross Section of a Leaf," *Radio Science, Vol. 22, No. 6,* November, 1987, pp. 1109-1116.

Single Cylinder model:

Karam, M. A. and A. K. Fung, "Electromagnetic Scattering from a Layer of Finite Length, Randomly Oriented, Dielectric, Circular Cylinders Over a Rough Interface with Application to Vegetation," *International Journal of Remote Sensing, Vol. 9, No. 6, June 1988, pp. 1109-1134.* Scattering matrix: 2 by 2 Complex values \rightarrow 4 by 4 real values

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} |S_{vv}|^{2} & |S_{vh}|^{2} & \operatorname{Re}(S_{vh}^{*}S_{vv}) & -\operatorname{Im}(S_{vh}^{*}S_{vv}) \\ |S_{hv}|^{2} & |S_{hh}|^{2} & \operatorname{Re}(S_{hh}^{*}S_{hv}) & -\operatorname{Im}(S_{hh}^{*}S_{hv}) \\ 2\operatorname{Re}(S_{vv}S_{hv}^{*}) & 2\operatorname{Re}(S_{vh}S_{hh}^{*}) & \operatorname{Re}(S_{vv}S_{hh}^{*} + S_{vh}S_{hv}^{*}) & -\operatorname{Im}(S_{vv}S_{hh}^{*} - S_{vh}S_{hv}^{*}) \\ 2\operatorname{Im}(S_{vv}S_{hv}^{*}) & 2\operatorname{Im}(S_{vh}S_{hh}^{*}) & \operatorname{Im}(S_{vv}S_{hh}^{*} + S_{vh}S_{hv}^{*}) & \operatorname{Re}(S_{vv}S_{hh}^{*} - S_{vh}S_{hv}^{*}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L_{i,0}\left(\Omega_{back}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} I_{v}^{S} \\ I_{h}^{S} \\ U^{S} \\ V^{S} \end{bmatrix} = P\left(\Omega_{in};\Omega_{back}\right) \begin{bmatrix} T_{v} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & T_{h} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{v}^{in} \\ I_{h}^{in} \\ U^{in} \\ V^{in} \end{bmatrix}$$

polarization extension of the backward radiance



(4.3.2) Form factor in microwave



Form factors are estimated as:

 \rightarrow intersection fractions from two directions \rightarrow incident direction and its mirror direction



Figure 3. Extended view factors: (a) scattering from a specular object j; (b) scattering from a diffuse object j.

(4.4) Radiosity solution:

In optical region, it is important to separate sunlit part from mean value of a porous object

$$B_{i,shd} = E_{i,shd} + \rho_i \sum_j F_{ij} B_j + \tau_i \sum_k F_{ik} B_k$$
$$B_{i,lit} = E_{i,lit} + \rho_i \sum_j F_{ij} B_j + \tau_i \sum_k F_{ik} B_k$$

In microwave region, it is not necessarily to separate sunlit part because of hot spot effects But need to separate specular and diffuse scattering

$$B_{i} = B_{i,spec} + B_{i,dif} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{vv,i} & B_{vh,i} \\ B_{hv,i} & B_{hh,i} \end{bmatrix}$$

Specular double bouncing radiosity

$$B_{i,spec}\left(\Omega_{back}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_j} \left(E^1_{ij,spec-spec} + E^1_{ij,dif-spec}\right) \times T_i\left(\Omega_{back}\right)$$

Diffuse radiosity with multiple scattering

$$B_{i,dif} = E_{i,back}^{0} \times T_i\left(\Omega_{back}\right) + \sum_{j=1}^{n_j} B_{j,dif} \times F_{ij,dif-dif} \times S_i \times T_i\left(\Omega_{back}\right) \leftarrow$$

(4.5.1) BRF (bidirectional reflectance factor) $BRF(v) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[B_{i,lit} A_{i,lit}(v) + B_{i,shd} A_{i,shd}(v) \right]}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[A_{i,lit}(v) + A_{i,shd}(v) \right]}$

- A is the area of lit or shaded part;
- Affine projection equations were used to determine which leaf is sunlit or shaded.



• A is the area of projection size in pixel unit; T is transmittance

5. Validation

--- Comparison between RAPID2 and MIMICS



To demonstrate the efficiency of dynamic projection method

5. Validation ----use AIRSAR at one mixed forest plot







Relative tree size

2D scenes of RAPID2

3D scenes of RAPID2

Plot 111-12 (two layers of mixed species)
White Cypress Pine (CP)
Silver-leaved ironbark (SLI)
Injune (25° 32"S, 147° 32"E), Australia (Lucas et al. 2004).

| Tree classes | Band | soil | trunk | Branch | Foliage |
|----------------|------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| White Cypress | С | 2-j1 | 18 – j 2 | 18 – j 2 | 18 – j 4 |
| Pine (CP) | L | 2 – j 0.5 | 20 – j 2 | 20 – j 2 | 20 – j 4 |
| | Р | 3 – j 1 | 25 – j 2 | 25 – j 2 | 25 – j 4 |
| Silver-leaved | С | 2 – j 1 | 12 – j 2 | 12 – j 2 | 12 – j 1 |
| ironbark (SLI) | L | 2 – j 0.5 | 25 – j 2 | 15 – j 2 | 25 – j 4 |
| | Р | 3 – j 1 | 25 – j 2 | 25 – j 2 | 25 – j 4 |

The component dielectric constants in plot 111-12

JPL AIRSAR data for validation

- •Date: September 2000
- Three bands: C (6 cm wavelength, 5.288 GHz), L-band (25 cm wavelength, I.238 GHz) and P-band (68 cm, 0.428 GHz)
- •Three polarizations (HH,VV and HV)
- •Calibration accuracy of I dB



Comparison between AIRSAR-measured (mean values plus error bars) and RAPID2-simulated (square marks) backscattering coefficients for PIII-I2. X-axis shows for C-, L-, and P-bands at HH,VV, and HV polarizations.

5. Validation ---use AIRSAR at row-structured forests



Figure 6. Schematic view of the RAPID2 scene of the row-structured maritime pine (4m row

spacing) with 1 m understory

a pine plantation forest in south-western France (25° 32"S, 147° 32"E). The forest is mainly formed of *Pinus pinaster* (Karam et al. 1995)



Figure 7. Simulated backscattering coefficients of RAPID2 (solid lines) and compared with AIRSAR data (dots) versus total biomass at C-, L-, and P-band.



Figure 11. BCS varying with zenith and azimuth angle; band from left to right is C, L, and P band respectively; polarization from top to bottom is VV, HH, and HV respectively.

Row structure has effect on BCS







Figure 13.Slope effect on BSCs; band is from left to right, which is C, L and P- band respectively; polarization is from top to bottom, which is VV, HH, and HV respectively.

Slope reduced BCS

6. Summary

- A unified 3D model for optical and radar simulation is possible and beneficial
- Porous object is the common basic unit.
- Backscattering coefficients are sensitive to row structure and slope



Thanks.



RAPID website

http://rapidmodel.wikispaces.com/







Figure 7. Contributions of canopy components (x axis) including crowns (CI = SLI, C2 = Large CP, C3 = Small CP), trunk (TI = SLI, T2 = Large CP, T3 = Small CP), and soil (SI) to the backscattering (y axis, circles for total, triangles representing multiple scattering) in three bands at HH, VV and HV polarizations.



Figure 10. Contribution ratios between trunk-soil interactions (blue) and crown scattering (yellow) for six ages in three bands at HH, VV, and HV polarizations.