Coastal 3-D High-Resolution Maps for Floods, Wetlands, and Biodiversity SECOORA 2020

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Motivation

- Rapid coastal population growth
 - Texas and Florida > 1,000 new resident per day each
 - 50% of built environment needed exists today
- Sustainable development
- Improved and updated flood maps
- Compliment and improve NOAA C-CAP maps
- Evaluate first-order biodiversity

Project Overview

- Research Questions
 - What are the types and extent of different wetland and other land cover classes, their geomorphology, composition, and vulnerability at local and regional scales?
 - What is the relationship between topography and land cover across scales of meters?
 - Which areas are particularly prone to flooding across the region?
 - What are major changes observed in land cover pre- and postsevere storms and specifically Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Michael?





Methodology: WorldView Imagery + Lidar



Coastal 3-D High-Resolution Mapping

NSF Hub Spoke Big Data Project \$1M USD 3 year timeline 20,000 WorldView Images Map land cover: coast-50 km inland

Objective: Large-scale mapping

Problem

Solution

Big Data processing efficiency

Automation issues

- Consistency
- Thresholding
- Sunglint
- Water column

Automation

Automation solutions

- Standardized preprocessing
- Scene-specific algorithms
- Novel deglinting algorithm
- Novel correction algorithm





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#SBATCH --partition=bgfsqdr #SBATCH --job-name ="SOALCHI_bgfs" #SBATCH --nodes=1 #SBATCH --ntasks-per-node=4 #SBATCH --mem-per-cpu=20480 #SBATCH --time=10:00:00 #SBATCH --array=0-10000 Pgc_ortho.py

- Written by Polar Geospatial Center
- Steps
 - Ingest Level-1B WorldView NITF
 - Optional georectification using RPCs
 - Project to WGS 1984 (EPSG:4326)
 - Output Level-2B GeoTIFF
- Run time = 5-15 minutes per image



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 - Post-processing filter



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 - Upland vs Wetland
 - Scene-specific algorithm
 - Wetland < Average(sum(B3-B5))
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 - Deglint
 - Isolate glint pixels from ODW (novel algorithm)
 - Dual-array of WorldView imagery
 - Regress visible bands against NIR for slope
 - $\operatorname{Rrs}_{dg,i} = \operatorname{Rrs}_{i} (\operatorname{Slope}_{i}^{*}(\operatorname{Rrs}_{\operatorname{NIR}} \operatorname{Rrs}_{\operatorname{NIRmin}}))$
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 - Estimate water column properties (Kd)
 - Calculate IOP index (Li 2019, Hu 2012)
 - Based on ODW
 - Estimate chlorophyll-a content (Hu 2012)
 - Decision Tree
 - Post-processing filter



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 - Calculate bathymetry (from Kd)
 - Revised from Li 2019 with exponential scalars derived from WorldView field data tuning parameters
 - Post-processing filter



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Methodology: Mosaicking



Mosaic

- Python
 - GDAL library
- Automated image-stitching

Examples

• Deglinting



Examples

• Deglinting



Examples

- Bathymetry mapping
 - Key West



Results: Texas



NOAA 2010

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Source: Earl, DigitalOlobe, GeoEye, Earlinstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community

Developed Bare/Soil Water Grass Algae flat Marsh Forested Wetland Forested Upland Scrub/shrub Agriculture

SOALCHI



NOAA 2010





Applications

- Sustainable Development
- Flood Hazards
 - Land cover + topography + SfM
- Machine Learning
 - Large training dataset



SOALCHI Method Validation

Purpose

- Map hurricane damage
- Compare pros and cons

<u>Algorithms</u>

- SOALCHI
- Support Vector Machine
- Neural Network

<u>Data</u>

- WorldView-2 (Nov 2018)

Training & Validation

• 714 field survey points



McCarthy et al. (2020) International Journal of Applied Earth Observations and Geoinformation

Results

| <u>Producer's</u> <u>Accuracy</u> | Decision Tree | Support Vector Machine | Neural Network |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Soil | 97% | 92% | 92% |
| Damaged Mangrove | 38% | 62% | 57% |
| Healthy Mangrove | 63% | 69% | 75% |
| Upland Vegetation | 91% | 86% | 88% |
| Water | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Overall Accuracy (Kappa) | 83% (0.765) | 83% (0.767) | 85% (0.792) |



Conclusions

| | Pros | Cons |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Decision Tree | Fastest Automated Best Upland vs Mangrove accuracy | Least accurate damaged mangrove |
| Support Vector Machine | Most accurate damaged mangrove | Manual training Slowest |
| Neural Network | Most accurate overall Most accurate healthy mangrove | Manual training |

Natural-disaster monitoring



Objective: Hurricane-damage assessment

Background

Hurricane Irma September 2017

Category 3: 120 mph winds

Mangrove damage

- Damaged vs undamaged
- Dead vs recovered

Existing map: 2010 (2 years to create)





Management Need



- Identify location, extent, and timeframe of coastal wetland degradation
 - Determine chronic vs acute drivers
 - Help managers determine how to mitigate loss, understand recovery, and improve resiliency







Project Goals



- 1. Map land and aquatic habitats for years 2010, 2013, 2016, 2017, 2018
- 2. Detect change location and extent
- 3. Attribute changes
- 4. Share information with regional resource managers through facilitated meetings and mapping products

Data

- High-resolution WorldView-2 satellite imagery
- Medium-resolution Landsat satellite imagery
- LiDAR data: 2007
- Field surveys (M. Barry)





Methodology



Habitat Mapping with Satellites



NERRS Science Collaborative

Accuracy Assessment: Worldview Nov 2018

- Soil: 95%
- Degraded mangrove: 56%
- Healthy mangrove: 78%
- Upland: 68%
- Water: 100%
- Overall accuracy: 82%





WorldView

Landsat







WorldView

Landsat







WorldView

Landsat



Results: Irma Damage



Results: Recovery





Three months post Irma (WorldView)

Five months post Irma (WorldView)



Recovery

- Some mangrove rebound
- Some mangrove die-off

<u>Net Change:</u> <u>Pre-Irma to Recovery</u>

Mangrove to Marsh 7.1 km² ~1,750 acres

Mangrove to Bare Soil 1.6 km² ~395 acres

Total Mangrove Decline 10.6 km² ~2,600 acres



McCarthy et al. (2020) Remote Sensing

Mangrove Loss



Acute Drivers of Loss



Maerl overwash starving mangroves

- Radabaugh et al. 2019
 - 11% mortality 2-3 months post-Irma
 - 20% mortality 9 months post-Irma



Local Sea Level



Local Sea Level



Local Sea Level



Mangrove Recovery

Radabaugh et al. 2019 60% canopy cover 3 to 9 months post-Irma

Sunlight reaching seedlings



Next Steps

Complete Florida mapping

Conduct flood risk mapping

Disseminate results

- SECOORA
- Digital Coast





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