Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivatives 4.0 International License



OPEN SOURCE TOOLS FOR VHR PROCESSING AND ARD GENERATION VH-RODA 2019 2019-11-20



www.c-s.fr

CONCEPTEUR. OPÉRATEUR & INTÉGRATEUR DE SYSTÈMES CRITIQUES





→ CS GROUP remote sensing skill center

→ VHR ARD data

- → Open source geometric correction tools
- → Open source radiometric correction tools
- → Open source atmospheric correction tools
- → Local VHR ARD processing chain example





## CS GROUP REMOTE SENSING SKILL CENTER



## **CS GROUP - SPACE ACTIVITIES**





#### (CC) BY-NC-ND

## CS GROUP EUROPEAN SPACE TEAM



(CC) BY-NC-ND

15

# 35 years Unique 38 M€ 410 Engineers France 320 Germany (Moltek) 55

- Netherlands 15
- Romania 20
- Canada New project for CSA

#### **COPERNICUS :** Unique set of references in major space agencies



# Unique French company as Frame Contract prime for CNES, ESA and EUMETSAT





## **ENABLING INNOVATION AND INTEROPERABILITY**

- →CS Group, Open Source Software Promoter
- →CS Group, Open Source Consulting
- →CS Group, Open Source Integrator











## PDA DEPARTMENT REFERENCES

#### Some of our customers



#### Some of our projects

- → Major references Ground Segment Image Quality
  - > MPC S2 : Mission Performance Center
  - > ICC : Pléiades Image Calibration Center
  - > **VIQ** : Venµs Image Quality

#### → Major references Ground Segment Image Processing

- > IPF S2 : Image Performance Facility
- > MACCS : Generic Image Processing Chain L2 and L3
- > Venµs, L2 and L3 products Generation
- VIP : Venµs Image Processing
- → Major references Tools Box
  - > SNAP S2 Toolbox: Image processing libraries for Sentinel 2
  - > **RUGGED** : Open source library for geolocation
  - > **OTB** : Image Processing Framework













(CC) BY-NC-ND



- → Team : 50 collaborators (1/4 of PhD)
- → Support CNES, ESA and major space industrial (Airbus, TAS, …)
  - > In radiometric and geometric quality assessment
  - > To develop new algorithms in image processing, sensor geometry, radiometric calibration, cloud detection and radiative transfer method
  - > To develop image processing prototype chains (CNES-S2P, CNES-Kalideos)
  - > To develop and maintain image processing operational chain (S2-IPF)
- → Develop and maintain Toolboxes in the field of Image Processing:
  - > Orfeo ToolBox
  - > SNAP (S2-ToolBox)
  - > CNES Common Tools
  - > Kalideos Scientific Processing Chain
- Develop and maintain tools in the field of geometry: RUGGED





## VHR ANALYSIS READY DATA





#### → Goal :

- > Create data usable by end users
- > Merge various remote sensing data in one stack
- > Provide physical measurement
- > Exclude not usable pixel
- > Align data on the same grid
- → Adapt all theses objectives to the end user area
  - > VHR data are used to monitor local sites
  - > Acquisition are generally not systematic (too expensive) and with non uniform conditions
- → Reduce cost and provide full control to user :
  - > Own auxiliary data
  - > Custom parameters
  - > Limit resampling of data





## OPEN SOURCE GEOMETRIC CORRECTION TOOLS



- → Open source tool created for Sentinel-2 IPF
- → Based on OREKIT toolbox : low level space dynamics library
- → Provide up to date geometry algorithms to get high accuracy for HR and VHR data
  - > Provide up to date Earth and Time models
  - > Atmospheric effects, Light-time correction and Aberration of light

| <ul><li>&gt; Earth Tide</li><li>&gt; Example PHR data :</li></ul> | Localization type             | Mean        | Standard deviation |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
|   | Direct with constant altitude | 3e-3 meters | 1.386e-3 meters    |
|   | Inverse                       | 0,06 pixel  | 0,0029 pixel       |

- → High computing performance against well establish tools
  - > Benchmarked in the frame of S2 IPF with GPP solution
  - > Benchmarked against Airbus solution for validation

Strong association with Orfeo Toolbox (OTB) to perform grid based resampling



## **HIGH ACCURACY**



#### → Impact of old earth model





## HIGH ACCURACY



- → Atmospheric effects :
  - > Discretize atmosphere with constant refraction indices
  - > Correct horizontal shift : about 2 meter
- → Light-time correction / Aberration of light







- → Study case 1 : Sentinel 2 IPF
  - > IDPSC GEN\_ORTHO\_TOA : from L1B to L1C
  - > Generate resampling grids (10m, 20m and 60m bands)
  - > Reference GPP S2IPF (EUCLIDIUM)

> Results :

- 844s (45m, 90m and 180m grids) for EUCLIDIUM
- 517s (45m, 90m and 180m grids) for S2GEO/RUGGED
- Study case 2 : Impact of additional corrections on PHR data with RUGGED:
  - > Grid computation and grid based image resampling

|           | No correction | With aberration of | With atmospheric      | With both   |
|-----------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
|           |               | light correction   | refraction correction |             |
| Temps (s) | 1.08   6.99   | 0.99   7.32        | 1.16   7.72           | 1.36   7.61 |



## ENDOGENOUS DSM



- $\rightarrow$  In some cases,
  - DTM/DSM are outdated or inconsistent
  - > satellite agility offers possibility to generate useful up to date DSM

→ Open source S2P [2] tool allow production of DSM with high quality











[2] de Franchis C., Meinhardt-Llopis E., Michel J., Morel J.-M., Facciolo G., 2014a. An automatic and modular stereopipeline for pushbroom images. In ISPRS Annals of the Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial InformationSciences. http://dx.doi.org/10.5194/isprsannals-11-3-49-2014 16





© CNES (2013), distribution Airbus DS/ Spot Image







© CNES (2013), distribution Airbus DS/ Spot Image





## OPEN SOURCE RADIOMETRIC CORRECTION TOOLS



### OPEN SOURCE TOOLBOX





- →OTB provide radiometric filters : from DN to TOA reflectance
  - > C++ implementation
  - > Highly scalable
  - > OTB filters are used in S2-IPF to perform this task
- → Additional code can improve earth-sun distance estimation
- Calibration coefficient :
  - > PHR coefficient provided by CNES SADE/MUSCLE are embedded in product
  - > Custom coefficient scan be provided
- Full python implementation can be also performant based on numpy and numba
- → SAR calibration can be performed





## OPEN SOURCE ATMOSPHERIC CORRECTION TOOLS



**ORFEO TOOLBOX – AMOSPHERIC CORRECTION MODULE** 



- Various open source radiative transfer code : 6SV, RTTOV, SOS, …
- OTB embeds 6SV to performs TOA to BOA reflectance conversion
  - > FORTRAN to C++ code generation
  - > ENV and SLP correction filters are available
  - > OTB frameworks is used in MAJA to perform atmospheric correction on S2/L8 data
  - > Used in kalideos project
- For cloud detection OTB machine learning framework can be used
- → BRDF correction is not currently supported



Baetens, L.; Desjardins, C.; Hagolle, O. Validation of Copernicus Sentinel-2 Cloud Masks Obtained from MAJA, Sen2Cor, and FMask Processors Using Reference Cloud Masks Generated with a Supervised Active Learning Procedure. Remote Sens. 2019, 11, 433





## LOCAL VHR ARD PROCESSING CHAIN EXAMPLE





→CNES kalideos.fr : four local database to support local scientific users :

- > Since 2000 with legacy local sites
- > Brittany, Alsace, French Alps and La Reunion island
- > Free of charge access in order to stimulate remote sensing data usage
- > Promote end users collaboration and results dissemination
- > Provide geometrically aligned and well calibrated VHR data (optical and SAR)
- → CNES operational chain
  - > From primary data to TOC data with (environment and slope correction)
  - > Based
    - CNES SIGMA tools for geometric part
    - on OTB for radiometric and atmospheric part (+ CAMS data)
  - > Internal preliminary work performs to replace non open source component
  - > Generate around 1000 products (Pleiades 1A/1B and SPOT6/7)



#### **KALIDEOS PROCESSING CHAIN - PRODUCT**





(CC) BY-NC-ND / 26

#### KALIDEOS PROCESSING CHAIN – PRODUCT QUALITY



| Proportion of correlated points | 57 %    |         |       |                    |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|--------------------|
| Shift                           | Minimum | Maximum | Mean  | Standard deviation |
| Along lines (m)                 | -11.98  | 11.98   | -0.13 | 3.13               |
| Along columns (m)               | -11.98  | 11.98   | -0.19 | 3.29               |

Shifts along columns



Histogram of shifts













- → Open source tools are mature to perform generation of ARD (except BRDF correction)
- Future delivery of Copernicus DEM and VHR 2018 : good auxiliary data as CAMS for atmospheric data.
- Need access
  - > to non-terrain corrected data to manage local site with custom auxiliary data or grid
  - > Need data access to sensor calibration parameters to generate with up to date data
- Local Datacube with high accuracy can be generated with high computing performance in Europe
- OTB and SNAP provides also functionalities to align and calibrate SAR data for these local sites





# CS Systèmes d'information

22, avenue Galilée -92350 Le Plessis Robinson

Tél. : 01 41 28 40 00

www.c-s.fr

#### CONCEPTEUR. OPÉRATEUR & INTÉGRATEUR DE SYSTÈMES CRITIQUES