



Classification of Multi-Spectral Images using Deep Learning: A Review

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Abstract:

Multi-spectral imaging significantly expands the capabilities of conventional imaging technology by extracting rich spectral information from images. Multi-spectral imaging is frequently employed in agriculture, the military, health, industry, and meteorology. Multi-spectral images have redundant information; thus, preprocessing is required to decrease the dimension. Most researchers now use preprocessing techniques before classifying data in recent years. The merits and disadvantages of standard dimensionality reduction techniques are first described and addressed. These techniques are founded on principles. Then, the features and application areas of classical and deep learning methods for categorization are examined. In contrast, the latter has good adaptability and high classification accuracy, while the former is more affordable and has more developed theories. Currently, approaches could be improved in order to use spectral data effectively and conserve computational resources. Traditional techniques will be enhanced and employed extensively in the future, while novel designs with greater flexibility and precision will be created.

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1. INTRODUCTION

A method called spectral imaging must be utilized to collect numerous narrow and continuous image data in the ultraviolet, visible, near-infrared, and mid-infrared regions of the electromagnetic spectrum. Multi-spectral (spectral resolution of an order $(10^{-1}\lambda)$), hyperspectral ($10^{-2}\lambda$), and ultraspectral ($10^{-3}\lambda$). Kinds of spectral imaging technology can be classified, giving to the spectral determination (the minor wavelength interval that the object can be determined), where is the bandwidth of the working band. The increased spectral resolution frequently results in more accuracy and flexibility, but it also results in large data structures and expensive equipment. Multi-spectral imaging technology gathers information about the object rather than two-dimensional images. On the other hand, the observed object's physical and chemical properties also extract one-dimensional spectral data, reflecting. Because various substances have different radiation, reflection, and absorption spectra. However, when contrasted with Multi-spectral imaging technology, as opposed to

hyperspectral and ultraspectral imaging technology, it provides benefits in terms of cost, ease of use, signal-to-noise ratio, and data processing complexity. Multiple fields have made extensive use of multi-spectral imaging.

For multi-spectral images, which differ from standard image acquisition and image processing techniques, it is required to capture numerous shots of the same subject that reflect distinct wavelength information. The majority of applications currently take the physical significance of the particular band into consideration [1] [2]. Therefore, before picture capture for a given challenge, it is important to examine how much and what kind of data is relevant and can support target categorization. Multi-spectral imaging requires extra band selection devices since multi-spectral images must comprehend information in different bands compared to the conventional images captured [3] [4].

Because there is so much spectrum information included in multi-spectral images, processing them normally would result in a lot of redundant data, which would take up a large amount of space, as well as a partial usage of the spectral data, which would lead to subpar classification accuracy [5] [6]. Therefore, it is necessary to design certain image processing techniques that are appropriate for multi-spectral pictures. Figure1 illustrates the procedure of using the multi-spectral picture to classify targets [7] [8].

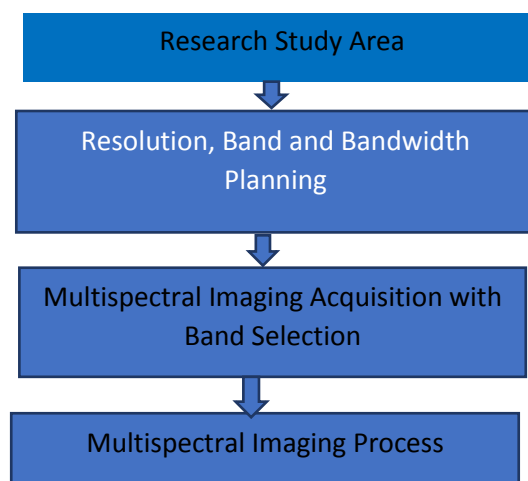


Figure 1: Steps of multi-spectral imaging classification

An addressed what equipment is required to produce spectral images as well as how to arrange the resolution and band in a reasonable manner [9] [10]. The current state of research and the fundamental procedures for classifying multi-spectral images. Classification techniques utilizing deep neural networks and, finally, classification methods based on multi-spectral imaging are presented along with a forecast of related technologies [11] [12].

MULTI-SPECTRAL IMAGES ACQUISITION

Improved resolution of spectral and bandwidth frequently result in information of higher content, but if data on unimportant bands are gathered, or targets are oversampled, resulting in significant duplication, the loss outweighs the gain [13] [14]. Therefore, a meticulous strategy for resolution and banding must be made before collecting multi-spectral images [15] [16]. The wavelength interval and imaging band are chosen first, and then the

image is acquired. Multi-spectral imaging requires extra spectral band-selecting devices to receive data at different wavelengths by filtering out the light of other wave bands [17] [18].

2.1 Bands and Resolution of Planning

Exact information gathered as a low-resolution spectrum imaging technique, multi-spectral imaging is adaptable, quick, repeatable, and capable of producing high-quality images with precise geometry [19] [20]. There should be a trade-off between cost and identification capabilities when deciding whether to use spectral imaging or not and how much bandwidth is acceptable if it is assumed to be used [21] [22]. Still, a better resolution leads to a stronger discriminating capacity. The required frequency band is identified during the band design process for this study [23] [24]. The amount of information acquired is just appropriate, thanks to the careful design of spectral resolution.

Since the emission, reflection, and absorption of diverse substances have specific spectral ranges reflecting specific spectral properties, the spectrum and band range decision is established after application scenarios [25]. For the purpose of target categorization, researchers have offered a variety of strategies for extracting salient traits from spectral data. The multi-spectral image analysis band selection can be divided according on how the data is processed and what information is learned from the data [26].

2.2 Multi-spectral Imaging System and Selecting Devices Spectral Band

Since spectral images display the spectrum information of objects, as opposed to regular images, which is required to acquire images in many wavebands, accomplished by spectral band selection devices. According to the various spectrum separation techniques, contemporary research has generally separated spectral instruments into three categories: dispersion, filter type, and FT (Fourier Transform). The matching imaging spectral instrument combines multiple spectrum spectroscopy methods with image technology. The creation of spectral images and dispersive spectrometers use. The dispersive effects of prisms or gratings to collect the spectrum data of incident light. This spectrometer is currently commonly used in aviation, thanks to technological advancements. Several optical filters are swapped in filter spectrometers to obtain spectral pictures in various wavebands. This kind of spectrometer has a few channels and simple construction. Finally, FT spectrometers measure interferograms generated by the interferometers. It subsequently analyses and evaluates the spectrum images due to the benefits of multi-channel imaging, high wavenumber precision, and resistance to stray light. Fourier transforms spectrometers often work in biological analysis, environmental monitoring, meteorological reflection, aerial remote sensing, space investigation, and other domains.

2. CLASSIFICATION OF MULTI-SPECTRAL IMAGE RESEARCH STATUS

Preprocessing the stereo data is essential since multi-spectral pictures include much information, improving the technology's detection capacity and increasing information redundancy. Data dimension reduction, which reduces data computation and duplication, is the aim of pre-primary data processing. The selection, alteration, and extraction of features can be used to distort low-dimensional images. These images are usually easier to classify and tend to have more observable traits. However, due to the creation of a high-dimensional feature space, a lack of labelled data, numerous noise sources, and the non-stationarity of the spectral properties of land cover, classifying multi-spectral data presents a complicated

problem [3-5]. Researchers employed several dimensionality reduction and classification techniques or methods of the procedure, as shown below the figure 2 in the investigation a generic process of multi-spectral imaging target classification algorithms. One unique aspect is that some deep learning techniques may not require preprocessing the multi-spectral data since specific neural networks incorporate feature extraction layers that can minimize the measurement of the data.

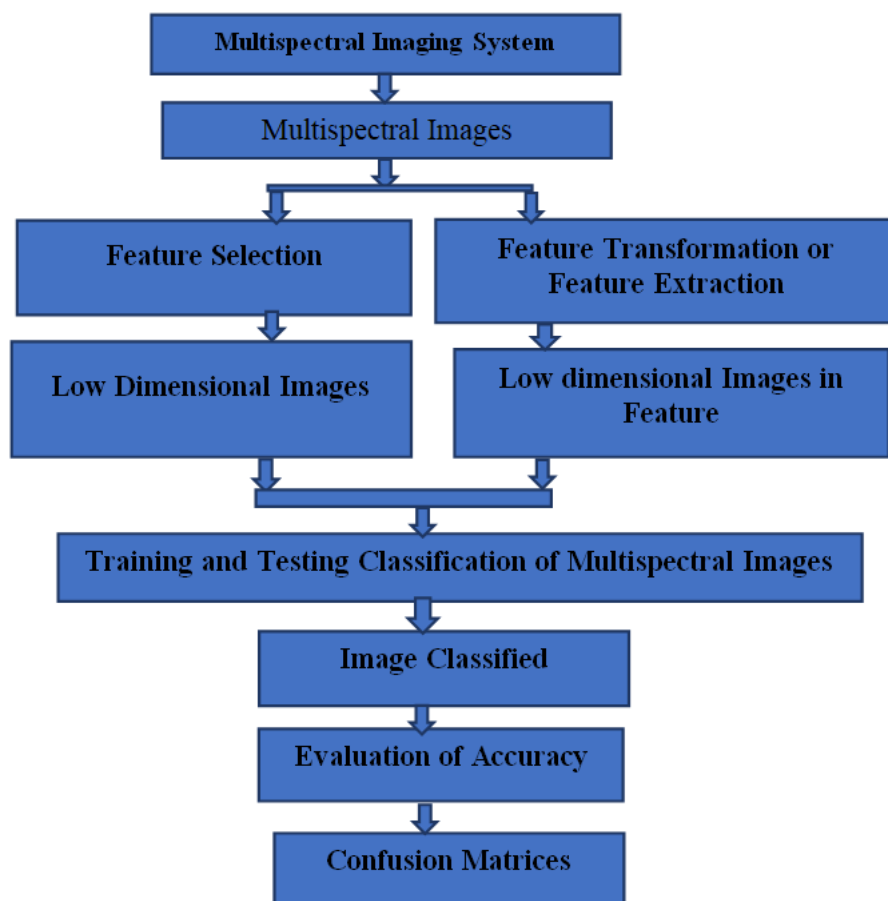


Figure 2: Methods of Multi-spectral Imaging Classification

3. MULTI-SPECTRAL IMAGES DATA ALGORITHMS FOR REPROCESSING

Data processing from multi-spectral images frequently does not directly employ the information from all bands since the high computational cost is typically unacceptable. To address the issue, a technique that eliminates redundant data and ensures that no data is destroyed is required. Feature selection, feature modification, and feature extraction are the basic techniques to decrease multi-spectral image data redundancy[6].

4.1 Selection of Feature

The use of features eliminates redundancy by providing the data of the original multi-spectral images with the necessary status information [7]. Redundant information should be cut out as much as possible without losing any pertinent information. Because of this, one advantage of feature selection is that it may, to a practical extent, lower the complexity of the data structure and the cost of computations while still upholding accuracy criteria. It is also possible to keep the physical details of the original images. However, because feature

selection does not considerably lower computing costs and instead causes much information to be wasted in the bands, it has been less common to utilize in recent years.

4.2 Feature Transformation

Dimension of minimize and the data is mapped into a different space via feature transformation [8]. Because it can efficiently utilize the information from all bands, feature transformation is frequently employed in the dimensionality reduction of multi-spectral data. The most popular feature transformation techniques for preprocessing multi-spectral pictures are Principal Component Analysis [9-10] and Independent Component Analysis [11].

3.3 Principle Component Analysis

K Pearson originally introduced the statistical technique known as principal component analysis to non-random data, while H. Hotelling later expanded it to include random variables. Through orthogonal transformation, it converts a set of variables that could be correlated into a set of linearly unconnected variables. Principal components are the variables that have been modified. PCA's primary goal is to shrink an n-dimensional dataset $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$ to m-dimensional dataset Y using base transformation to reduce information loss $Y = PX$. To discover the matrix P, all samples of the initially stage is centralized.

$$x_i = x_i - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^k x_j$$

Here, the covariance matrices are the sample of C calculate

$$C = \frac{1}{k} XX^T$$

Then, resolve the correlation matrix's characteristic equation to determine eigenvalues λ_k and eigenvectors p_k .

$$|C - \lambda I_k| = 0$$

I_k is the $k \times k$ identity matrix in the equation above. When all of the eigenvectors have been arranged into matrices from top to bottom as per the recording of their associated eigenvalues, the first m rows are chosen to create the matrices. Then, applies the $Y = PX$ formula to determine Y.

4.2 Independent Component Analysis.

A computation technique called independent component analysis divides numerous signals into additive components. For example, assume that s is the independent-dimensional signal vector from the unknown source and that x is an n-dimensional of signal vector experimental r. Then, superimposed signals x are combined using an unknown mixing matrix called A.

$$x = As$$

Invention of the solution matrix $W = A^{-1}$, followed by a linear transformation of X to produce the output vector, the goal of ICA. Assuming that s has a probability density function of $p_s(s)$, and x has a probability density function of $p_x(x)$ then

$$p_x(x) = p_s(Ws)|W|$$

To explain W, the complicated infomax principle approach is characteristically utilized. Here, we present the more straightforward Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE).

Given that each s_i has a probability density $p(s)$ and that signals are independent, the joint distribution of the initial time is given a signal

density $p(s)$, & the given time of the unique signal and joint distribution is

$$p(s) = \prod_{i=1} p_s(s_i)$$

And then

$$p(x) = |W| \prod_{i=1}^n p_s(w_i^T x)$$

4.3. Classification Methods Summary

In general, the DNN approach and the conventional method are used to categorize the classification algorithm. While the DNN approach can handle more data with better precision, the traditional way is more mature in principle and more straightforward in structure, making it suited for situations without tight accuracy requirements. Additionally, supervised learning algorithms need fewer data distributions. Their results produce excellent discriminant separability than the unsupervised learning approaches, which also have a lower computing cost and the flexibility to analyze unlabelled data.

5. Discussion and Comparative Analysis

Target categorization frequently uses multi-spectral imaging. The multi-spectral imaging system features additional band tuning devices compared to the conventional imaging system to collect the image data of several bands. Because they prevent image jitter and shorten reaction time, tunable spectrometers are commonly utilized in common multi-spectral imaging systems. Preprocessing and classification methods make up the majority of the target classification techniques for multi-spectral images. Preprocessing techniques are required because multi-spectral images contain data from numerous spectral regions and have a complicated and redundant data structure. Reduction of dimension, which is primarily comprised of feature selection, feature transformation, and feature extraction, is the primary goal of preprocessing. While feature extraction frequently results in increased accuracy, feature selection and feature modification can better safeguard the physical properties of the image. Depending on whether they employ deep neural networks or not, classification algorithms may be categorized into classical approaches and deep learning methods. LDA, SVM, and clustering are three conventional techniques that are frequently employed in multi-spectral image processing. Numerous deep learning techniques exist, however not all of them have been empirically tested in the context of multi-spectral photos. According to the most recent study, there are still certain areas in this sector that might be improved:

When there are stringent criteria for accuracy and the effectiveness of redundancy reduction, particular classical approaches that reduce the dimensionality of multi-spectral image data may not be practicable. Theoretical work on some deep learning-based feature extraction and classification algorithms still need improvement, making the approaches difficult to understand and maybe obscuring some of the physical significance of multi-spectral images. Most classification algorithms are built using the conventional non-spectral image processing technique, which does not allow for the best possible use of spectral data.

Some categorization techniques, mainly supervised deep learning techniques, will use much processing power. Additionally, a lot of labour may be required for marking samples and changing settings, a summary of characteristics of classification.

Table:3 Characteristics summary: ICA, LDA, SNE and PCA

Methods		Basic Theory Characteristics	Supervised/ Unsupervised
Traditional Methods	SVM	Quadratic Convex Programming only suited for two categories and good at.	Supervised
	LDA	Regular Regression Simple to execute but can result in overfitting	Supervised
	k-Means	Neural network theory Fast clustering produces only local optimum solutions.	Unsupervised
Deep Learning Methods	CNN	Neural Deep Network Good at classifying features but not at interpreting them.	Supervised
	SSD	Neural Deep Network Rapidly, accuracy, and inadequate feature extraction	Supervised
	GAN	Neural Deep Network There is no necessity to infer the training's hidden variables.	Unsupervised
	RBM	DNN is capable of managing lost or erratic data	Unsupervised
	R-CNN	DNN high precision; slow.	Supervised
	YOLO	DNN high tempo; excellent generalization skills	Semi-supervised
	SNIP	Information on Deep Neural Network Multiscale may be found.	Supervised

6. SCENARIOS OF RESEARCH

Classification algorithms are currently stated for multi-spectral imaging. The following ideas and beneficial research approaches are suggested:

1) To further expand the dimension of the image information, imaging polarization or stereo imaging may be used. Compared to 2D photos, multi-spectral images feature a spectral dimension that contains more data. These days, polarisation imaging technology and 3D image reconstruction technology are fairly advanced. Therefore, more thorough information on the targets may be collected using these approaches if sufficient storage and computing costs are permitted.

2) A mix of several dimension reduction techniques should be used. For example, both multiple-component analysis and discriminant analysis have unique traits that may be used to combine benefits and steer clear of drawbacks.

3) To prevent the distortion of important information, it is worthwhile to investigate the auxiliary feature extraction techniques. The feature extraction approach is appropriate to minimize dimension for multi-spectral images due to its high accuracy and effective exploitation of spectral information. More study is required to ensure the spectral data is safeguarded by the original images when extracting features.

4) Depending on the situation, semi-supervised versions of the conventional classification of unsupervised or supervised algorithms may be applied. Semi-

supervised learning may significantly lower the cost of labelling data compared to supervised learning and can also be used to improve performance compared to unsupervised learning. Traditional classification techniques, such as supervised SVM and unsupervised means clustering algorithm is the K-Means, have previously adapted to semi-supervised understanding.

5) DNN will advance, but fundamental theoretical studies must also be considered. DNN techniques have great accuracy and considerable flexibility benefits in multi-spectral image processing. In addition, deep learning techniques, which use many computer resources, have steadily gained acceptance with the advancement of high-speed computing technologies. However, to prevent technique misappropriation, greater focus should be given to theoretical research as there are still some hypotheses in these methods that require further development and are difficult to explain.

6) It is worthwhile to develop scientific image processing techniques, particularly those that deal with multi-spectral pictures. Widely applicable and including traits that are missing from regular photos are multi-spectral images. Currently, the norm is to convert multi-spectral pictures to available images and then treat them using conventional image processing techniques. This may prevent the efficient use of spectral information. There is a need for more unique network architectures created specifically for multi-spectral image processing.

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