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Temporal Dual-polarization SAR Crop Classification Based on Coherence Optimization

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Introduction

- The aim of this paper is to construct temporal coherence such that coherence and polarisation features are combined to improve the classification accuracy of the dual-polarization.
- The classification result of experiment shows that combining the extracted eigenvalues I1, I2 and temporal coherence can get better accuracy.

Methods

The overall process is shown below:



Experiment

The classification results of different polarization features were observed, then temporal coherence was added to the polarization features.

| Table 1 Adding coherence to polarization features | | | | |
|---|----------|-----------|----------|--|
| Features | Accuracy | | Accuracy | |
| Н | 48.68% | add | 69.29% | |
| Α | 49.87% | | 69.44% | |
| alpha | 46.25% | coherence | 67.95% | |
| I 1 | 67.52% | | 81.38% | |
| 12 | 56.91% | | 79.15% | |

Next, temporal and polarization features were combined to select the better feature combination.

| Table 2 Feature combination | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------|--|
| Feature combinations | | Accuracy | |
| | H+A+alpha | 51.95% | |
| H+A+alpha+I1+I2 | | 87.15% | |
| | I1+I2+coherence | 90.65% | |
| F | H+A+alpha+coherence | 69.69% | |
| l1+l2 | | 86.74% | |

The classification accuracy of each crop in the optimal case is shown below:



Feature Combination

(time dimension and polarization dimension)

Random Forest Classification

- A total of 588,000 sample points were used to classify 12 crop types.
- The number of decision trees is 100, the random state is 42.



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Conclusions

- The combination of temporal coherence and eigenvalues is optimal classification feature, which result can reach about 90% in this experiment.
 - Comparing with traditional polarization features, added coherence for multi-crop classification all get better results. Temporal coherence is confirmed to be important for multi-crop time-series classification.