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# Merging Satellite Data in Order to Generating of Base Maps <br> (Case Study: Isfehan - Iran) 

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#### Abstract

In recent decades, Remote sensing data becomes one of the basic information for generating of base maps and different applications in geomatics. In fact, it is providing very useful for a board range of environmental applications such as surveying, agriculture, geography, meteorology, hydrology, transportation, urban planning, control analysis, landscape planning and etc. Especially in order to generation base maps, the Satellites data has a great role and it is now widely applied on collecting and processing data. For reach to this purpose, we had been used Indian satellite imageries such as the IRS-P5 and the IRS-P6 satellite data which have been belonged to Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO). The P5 (Cartosat-I) satellite was launched on May 5, 2005 into circular sun synchronous orbit which it is equipped with two panchromatic cameras capable of simultaneous acquiring images of 2.5 meters spatial resolution. Also the IRS-P6 (Resourcesat-I) was launched on October 17, 2003 which has three sensor includes LISS III, LISS IV and AWIFS. The LISS IV sensor of this satellite has the spatial resolution 5.8 m with enhanced spectral resolution. It consists of three spectral bands in the green, red and near infrared regions of the electromagnetic spectrum. In this investigation we had been developed a method for generating of base maps in middle scale, such as 1:15000 ratio scale and an attempt has been made to evaluate the information content available with merging data consist of the IRS-P5 and MX mode image from IRS-P6 satellite imageries. The results have shown its capability in solving of generation base maps with IRS satellite data and we found that merging these data is very suitable for identification all of the features in the base maps in different categories.


Keywords: Base Maps, Merge Data, Remote Sensing, IRS Satellite Imagery

## INTRODUCTION

The use of High resolution satellite images (HRSI) at 5 meters and better geometrical resolution has become a source of ongoing discussions since a number of years. Especially, in order to produce large scales map, these satellite imageries have a good potential and so the generation of base maps improve as well. In this investigation, we had been developed a method for generation of base maps in middle scale such as 1:15000 and $1: 10000$ ratio scales. For this purpose, we had been the IRS satellite imageries because the capabilities of these images are very suitable. Also, the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) successfully operates several Earth-resources satellites that gather data in the Visible and Near IR bands, beginning with IRS-1A in March
of 1988. Our data for reach to generation the base maps, includes two kind satellite imageries from IRS series (Fraser, 1999).

## The P5 (CARTOSAT-I) satellite images

Cartosat-1 satellite was built by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) mainly for mapping. The satellite was launched into circular (altitude is 618 km ) near-polar sun synchronous orbit on May 5, 2005. Cartosat- 1 is equipped with two panchromatic cameras capable of simultaneous acquiring images of 2.5 meters spatial resolution. One camera is looking at +26 degrees forward while another looks at -5 degrees backward to acquire stereoscopic imagery with base to height ratio of 0.62 . The time difference between acquiring of the stereo pair images is approximately 52 seconds. The imagery is supplied with Rational Polynomial Coefficients (RPC) and intended for image processing (Dowman \& Tao, 2002). The location of P5 (Cartosat-I) satellite for preparing the stereo images is shown in figure 1 .


Figure 1: The location of P5 (Cartosat-I) satellite for preparing the stereo images

## The P6 (RESOURCESAT-I) satellite images (Exactly LISS IV satellite imagery)

The P6 (RESOURCESAT-1) was launched on October 17, 2003 which has three sensors such as LISS-IV, LISSIII and AWIFS. The kind sensors of P6 (RESOURCESAT-I) satellite with another characteristic such as, revisit Cycle, Swath width, Spatial resolution and radiometric resolution is shown in table 1 (Lutes, 2006).

Table 1: The kind sensors of P6 (RESOURCESAT-I) satellite

| Swath width | Spatial <br> resolution | Radiometric <br> resolution | No. of <br> b Bands | Revisit <br> Cycle | Kind of <br> sensor |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 140 Km | 23.5 m | 7 Bit | 4 | 24 days | LISS III <br> LISS IV |
| 70 Km | 5.8 m | 7 Bit | 1 | $5-48$ days | Mono-mode |
| 23.9 Km | 5.8 m | 7 Bit | 3 | $5-144$ days | Mx-mode |
| 700 Km | 56 m | 10 Bit | 4 | 5 days | AWIFS |

The LISS-IV (Linear Imaging Self-Scanner) sensor of this satellite has the spatial resolution 5.8 m with enhanced spectral resolution. It consists of three spectral bands in the green, red and near infrared regions of the electromagnetic spectrum (Fritz, 1999).

For performance our project to produce the base maps, we had been used the LISS-IV sensor images and then merge with IRS P5 (CARTOSAT-1) in order to improve spatial resolution with preservation the spectral resolution of these images (Navalgund, 2005).

## Data set used

The case study for performing the suggested method to produce the base maps is located in Isfehan city of IRAN. The geographic extents for this area is:
Latitude from $32^{\circ}, 36^{\prime}$ to $32^{\circ}, 40^{\prime}$ and longitude is from $51^{\circ} 38^{\prime}$ to $51^{\circ} 43^{\prime}$.
The LISS IV image of the case study is shown in figure 2.


Figure 2: The part of MX-LISS IV from P6 (RESOURCESAT-I) satellite
Also the P5 (CARTOSAT-I) image of this case study is shown in figure 3.


Figure 3: The part of P5 (CARTOSAT-I) satellite image

## Implementation of merging data

The higher resolution imagery is generally single band, while multispectral imagery generally has the lower resolutions; these techniques are often used to produce high resolution with multi spectral bands (Grodecki \&

Dial, 2003). Resolution Merge offers three techniques: Brovey Transform, Multiplicative and Principal Component approaches. In this project we had been used the third approach (principal component) because the result with performing this method was better quality rather than another approaches. The result of merging P5 and MX-LISSIV of P6 satellite is shown in figure 4.


Figure 4: The merge of two data, P5 (CARTOSAT-I) satellite image with MX-LISS IV from P6

## Map Design Software

The Remote sensing systems describe the data collection about any objects on the ground. In fact, they are raster system which has a great role in acquisition and processing data, but in order to produce base maps in different scales, we must have design software in vector structure. The view of the cartographic vector software is shown in figure 5 .
After providing the merge data, the format of satellite imageries is converted to "Geo-Tiff" format. If we want to produce a map which we don't have any map in that area, we must have GCP points measured by GPS on the ground in order to orientation the merge data with the ground, else for updating the maps, we can use the older maps and get the GCP points from those maps.


Figure 5: the view of the cartographic vector software

Also, all of the geographic objects available on base maps at the most common scales between $1 / 10000-1 / 50$ 000 are available in our provided maps in $1 / 15000$ ratio scale. These are in different types which shown in table 2.

Table 2: Geographic objects on our base maps

| Type | Scale:1/15000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Communications | major roads and motorways, secondary roads, tracks, railways |
| Equipments | Power lines, Tunnels, Bridges, Sport fields |
| topography | Contours at 10 m major interval |
| Hydrology | Rivers and channels, Streams, Lakes and dams, Springs |
| Vegetation / land cover | Cultivated area, plantation, Grassland, Rocky areas |
| Artificial limits | Administrative boundaries, Cadastral boundaries and Several <br> types of forest |

The final provided map in 1:15000 ratio scale is shown in figure 6 , but it is necessary to evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of the satellite imageries which used in generation of base maps. so nine well distributed GCP points were considered on a stereo pair of p 5 images as the control points.


Figure 6: The final provided map in 1:15000 ratio scale
In Table 3 the accuracy of GCP's acquired from geodetic dual frequency GPS in relative mode are shown.
Table 3: The accuracy of GCP's acquired from dual frequency GPS in relative mode

| Point |  | Sigmas(mm) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No | NGO-Fardis | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1 | PA4011b | 3.3 | 3.3 | 9.0 |
| 2 | PA4012a | 18.4 | 23.7 | 33.8 |
| 3 | PA4013a | 9.5 | 8.1 | 19.8 |
| 4 | PA4014b | 2.8 | 2.7 | 8.1 |
| 5 | PA4015b | 12.5 | 13.2 | 27.6 |


| 6 | PA4016a | 15.2 | 9.2 | 28.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | PA5014b | 5.5 | 5.5 | 17.3 |
| 8 | PA5015b | 6.5 | 4.3 | 13.5 |
| 9 | PA5016b | 6.4 | 6.5 | 12.7 |

In the first step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 8 check points with the contribution of a GCP point (figure 7). In the second step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 7 check points with the contribution of 2 GCP points (figure 8 ). In the third step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 6 check points with the contribution of 3 GCP points (figure 9). In the fourth step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 5 check points with the contribution of 4 GCP points (figure 10). In the fifth step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 4 check points with the contribution of 5 GCP points (figure 11). In the sixth step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 3 check points with the contribution of 6 GCP points (figure 12). In the seventh step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on 2 check points with the contribution of 7 GCP points (figure 13). In the eighth step, we evaluate the horizontal and vertical accuracy assessment of these images on a check point with the contribution of 8 GCP points (figure 14).


Figure 7: with the contribution of a GCP point


Figure 9: with the contribution of three GCP points


Figure 8: with the contribution of two GCP points


Figure 10: with the contribution of four GCP points


Figure 11: with the contribution of five GCP points


Figure 13: with the contribution of seven GCP points

Figure 12: with the contribution of six GCP points


Figure 14: with the contribution of eight GCP points

Red colored point(s) is the GCP point(s) and the blue colored point(s) is the check point(s)
Also in each step, the RMSE on check points are calculated and the obtained amounts are given in following tables.

Table 4: Results with contribution a GCP point

| type | No. | Residual_x(m) | Residual_y $(\mathrm{m})$ | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 0.00464235 | 0.00584815 | -0.19568283 |
| Check | 2 | 3.51358041 | -21.40766477 | -3.16350278 |
| Check | 3 | 3.85560725 | 0.89290522 | -8.26113400 |
| Check | 4 | 6.63525698 | -7.49039292 | -10.35887507 |
| Check | 5 | 4.49236646 | -17.17915768 | -2.07901746 |
| Check | 6 | 6.94341768 | -8.37237224 | -11.54060854 |
| Check | 7 | 4.57551709 | -18.48161403 | -2.52447674 |
| Check | 8 | 1.79747825 | 13.50922371 | -4.35761848 |
| Check | 9 | 8.54889518 | -21.54573070 | -14.76587562 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are:
Ground X:5.4415(m), Ground Y:15.2836(m), Ground Z:8.4147(m)

Table 5: Results with contribution two GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x $(\mathrm{m})$ | Residual_y $(\mathrm{m})$ | Residual_z $(\mathrm{m})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 0.14071991 | -0.81336465 | -0.31419715 |
| gcp | 2 | 2.41867599 | -14.72221467 | -2.18257660 |
| Check | 3 | 3.59165651 | 2.48229885 | -8.02180822 |
| Check | 4 | 6.63525698 | -7.61200135 | -10.38166037 |
| Check | 5 | 4.33564827 | -16.21879118 | -1.92921122 |
| Check | 6 | 7.08047927 | -9.18711325 | -11.65948787 |
| Check | 7 | 4.80760823 | -19.89893876 | -2.73177099 |
| Check | 8 | 2.13315545 | -15.53426588 | -4.65928485 |
| Check | 9 | 8.61819526 | -21.96310098 | -14.83737147 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are: Ground X:5.7079(m), Ground Y:14.7900(m), Ground Z:8.9531(m)

Table 6: Results with contribution three GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x(m) | Residual_y(m) | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 0.05222133 | -0.58136414 | -0.15600430 |
| gcp | 2 | 2.51617885 | -14.98763021 | -2.36806764 |
| gcp | 3 | 5.36840890 | -13.67430482 | -9.25527784 |
| Check | 4 | 2.66113132 | 4.91592004 | -6.35436589 |
| Check | 5 | 5.90015734 | -5.69467234 | -9.09004719 |
| Check | 6 | 4.72421281 | -17.25908458 | -2.63888568 |
| Check | 7 | 7.08826442 | -9.20489932 | -11.66796294 |
| Check | 8 | 2.43013380 | -13.53996850 | 1.56254365 |
| Check | 9 | -1.16532445 | -6.98190207 | 1.04767002 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are: Ground X:4.5041(m), Ground Y:10.5773(m), Ground Z:6.7039(m)

Table 7: Results with contribution four GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x(m) | Residual_y(m) | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 2.54408142 | 10.80845976 | -1.10473597 |
| gcp | 2 | -0.19292966 | -0.82313607 | -0.11123829 |
| gcp | 3 | 0.10085059 | 0.44380078 | -0.15734633 |
| gcp | 4 | -0.55662166 | -2.32790636 | -0.10541398 |
| Check | 5 | -2.44445003 | -4.33489362 | -1.32847979 |
| Check | 6 | -0.21507306 | -10.73725470 | -5.55459212 |
| Check | 7 | 0.28089930 | -0.83308510 | -3.68583660 |
| Check | 8 | 3.55146716 | -10.08250927 | -9.37893839 |
| Check | 9 | -2.66124292 | -1.71453885 | 3.80914416 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are: Ground X:2.2714(m), Ground Y:6.9191(m), Ground Z:5.4531(m)

Table 8: Results with contribution five GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x(m) | Residual_y(m) | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 2.08043212 | 12.81668914 | 0.77117498 |
| gcp | 2 | 0.20088009 | -0.83801615 | -0.58220534 |
| gcp | 3 | -0.43385931 | 0.27118116 | 0.36513709 |


| gcp | 4 | -0.17305951 | 0.50447177 | 0.24268870 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 5 | 0.28670391 | -2.22775434 | -0.97558282 |
| Check | 6 | -2.09594057 | -3.13128043 | -0.36362014 |
| Check | 7 | -0.80072838 | -3.22196853 | 2.96677865 |
| Check | 8 | -2.64083229 | 1.73300567 | 6.11543015 |
| Check | 9 | -2.93731491 | -2.09648815 | 0.24537065 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are: Ground X:2.2713(m), Ground Y:2.6261(m), Ground Z:3.4057(m)

Table 9: Results with contribution six GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x $(\mathrm{m})$ | Residual_y $(\mathrm{m})$ | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 2.14013732 | 12.85912845 | 0.76350209 |
| gcp | 2 | 0.38665953 | -0.70498118 | -0.60014600 |
| gcp | 3 | -0.03002205 | 0.55923442 | 0.32758661 |
| gcp | 4 | -0.16734636 | 0.50866957 | 0.24333071 |
| gcp | 5 | 0.51751404 | -2.06305598 | -0.99618708 |
| gcp | 6 | -2.41967382 | -1.72629566 | 0.19911976 |
| Check | 7 | -2.23495053 | -3.23081598 | -0.35096590 |
| Check | 8 | -2.39001491 | -1.96233298 | 0.16726840 |
| Check | 9 | -2.35236858 | 1.9385789 | 6.08393587 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are: Ground X:2.3267(m), Ground Y:2.4527(m), Ground Z:3.5197(m)

Table 10: Results with contribution seven GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x(m) | Residual_y(m) | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 2.22149752 | 12.79076299 | 0.54837713 |
| gcp | 2 | 0.26143830 | -0.59683920 | -0.25348534 |
| gcp | 3 | 0.09225463 | 0.46179976 | 0.01910172 |
| gcp | 4 | 0.29280764 | 0.11575878 | -1.02574660 |
| gcp | 5 | -1.72735156 | 1.42431030 | 4.43896371 |
| gcp | 6 | 1.03896577 | -2.48271839 | -2.32037316 |
| gcp | 7 | -2.25024977 | -1.86617940 | -0.24550926 |
| Check | 8 | -2.27185650 | -3.20006711 | -0.24984346 |
| Check | 9 | -2.50813613 | -1.06512447 | 4.63624654 |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are: Ground X:2.3929(m), Ground Y:2.3848(m), Ground Z:3.2831(m)

Table 11: Results with contribution eight GCP points

| type | No. | Residual_x(m) | Residual_y(m) | Residual_z(m) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gcp | 1 | 2.34441773 | 12.96391936 | 0.55827293 |
| gcp | 2 | 0.36463343 | -0.45116312 | -0.24362459 |
| gcp | 3 | -0.01335284 | 0.31273610 | 0.01043295 |
| gcp | 4 | -1.99839037 | -2.81545817 | -0.22875124 |
| gcp | 5 | -0.49990628 | 0.40663747 | -1.01074669 |
| gcp | 6 | -1.76023819 | 1.37903502 | 4.43977541 |
| gcp | 7 | 0.91613553 | -2.65615071 | -2.33087423 |
| gcp | 8 | -2.34149242 | -1.99542814 | -0.25491770 |


| Check | 9 | -2.05085144 | -2.83184615 | -3.04922938 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Also the total RMSE calculated on these check points are:
Ground X:2.0508(m), Ground Y:2.8318(m), Ground Z:3.0492(m)

## Conclusion

In this investigation we had been developed a method for generating of base maps in 1:15000 ratio scale with the satellite imageries consist of the cartosat-1 (P5) and MX mode image from resourcesat-1 (P6) satellite imageries.
The result was shown that merging these data is very suitable for identification and delineation of linear and polygon features in city area and so, the level of classification improves as well. It is also found that more of the geographic features in a topographic base maps in difference categories such as Communications, Equipments, Hydrology, Vegetation, land use/ land cover and Artificial limits can be extracted with merging IRS P6 LISS IV data and IRS P5 product. Also the horizontal and vertical accuracy was evaluated and we found with consideration of 5 GCP points on the p 5 satellite images, the suitable accuracy for generation of base maps in 1:15000 ratio scales was achieved, so use the more GCP points will not increase accuracy and just increase the processing time and lost money.

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