Pattern recognition techniques for time series

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The Earth is constantly

changing.

Changes in different time-scales



(Heas, 2005)



(Goodchild, 2007)



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How to model changing patterns in land use/cover?

SITS - Satellite Image Time Series

07/2008

06/2008



start: january/2014 end: january/2015 RapidEye red/m/blue potato # eucalypt # citrus #





What attributes that best describe changing patterns?



• Regions

(Kumar, 2001)

Variations in image attributes define trajectories in time



Similar trajectories of change define changing patterns



(Freitas, 2008)

Change Detection Challenges

- Massive data size
- High degree of geographic/inter-region variation
- Noisy/missing data
- Disparate land cover types
- Wide variety of changes that can occur

(Boriah, 2010)

Common Problem



Example of time series (BDC)





Taxonomy for change detection



(Boriah, 2010)

Statistical Parameter Change

- Data follows a parametric distribution
- Methods detect points where a distribution parameter change
- Estimate the value of the parameters before and after the change

Change detection using MODIS

- Begins by computing annual sums, and differences between consecutive years
- Resulting differences are assumed to follow normal distribution ($\mu = 0$, no change)
- The z-score of the difference of annual sums is computed
- If the z-score is above a threshold τ, a change is considered to have occurred between t1 and t2

Revision - Cummulative Sum

• Given a time series $\{t_1, t_2, ...\}$ and the incontrol mean μ , the statistic is defined as

$$CS_k = \sum_{i=0}^{\kappa} (t_i - \mu).$$

The basic algorithm sets μ to an apriori known value, or to the first value t_1 of the time series

Statistical Parameter Change



(Page, 1954)

Segmentation

- Partition the input time series into homogeneous segments
- When successive segments are not homogenous, there is a change point between them

Recursive Merging

- A given time series can be partitioned into homogeneous segments
- Boundaries between segments are changes
- Two most similar consecutive annual cycles are merged until one annual cycle is left remaining
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Predictive

- Methods are based on the assumption that one can learn a model for a portion of the input time series
- Change is detected based on deviation from the model

Yearly Delta

- Looks for discrepant sequences in relation to a model of previous observations in the time series
 - 1. Build an initial projection model based on a short window at the beginning of the time series
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Anomaly Detection

- Methods find regions of a time series that are significantly different from the rest of the time series
- Anomaly detection is looking for a temporary departure from normal

Subspace

- Methods encode the input time series into a matrix structure
- Employ spectral methods (e.g. PCA) and look for changes in the matrix structure



Source: Google Maps.

Classification scheme for RS



Using Polar Coordinates



Time series data reduction



5000x5000 pixels Spatial resolution 250m Temporal resolution 15 days 24 images/year

600 million objects

Time series data reduction



300 thousands objects

0.05% of 600 million

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