





Adaptive Birth for the Generalized Labeled Multi-Bernoulli (GLMB) Filter in Satellite Videos

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## Problem Statement



**Problem Statement** 

## Multi Object Tracking (MOT) in Remote Sensing

Sample Remote Sensing Video



Dayton, OH, USA

### > MOT Objective:

 Extract target states from measurements

### > Sample Applications:

- Urban development
- Traffic estimation
- Commerce management
- Law enforcement
- Border security

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## Challenges:

### • Varying number of targets:

- > Targets may appear or disappear from:
  - Image borders
  - Parking lots and garages
  - Shadows and occlusions



) WPAFB 2009



Problem Statement

## Challenges:

• Varying number of targets

#### • Changing object dynamics:

- > Objects may:
  - Move at very high speeds
  - Change directions rapidly
  - Stop at intersections





Problem Statement

## Challenges:

- Varying number of targets
- Changing object dynamics
- Crowded scenes:
  - > Objects can be separated a few pixels from each other



## 02

## Popular Tracking Frameworks



## **Popular Tracking Frameworks**

#### **Deep Learning**: CenterTrack [Zhou, 2020]

- ✓ Joint detection-tracking
- Regresses velocity vector
- x Recover tracks with ad-hoc frameworks
- x Requires 2D + time labels



Center Track [Zhou, 2020]

**Real time**: SORT [Bewley, 2016] & DeepSORT [Wojke, 2017]

- ✓ Achieves competitive results with realtime performance
- x Relies on ad-hoc data association methods
- x DeepSORT relies on large object features



Sort [Bewly, 2016]

**Random Finite Sets (RFSs):** PHD filter [Vo, 2004] and GLMB filter [Vo, 2014]

- ✓ Bayesian multi-object formulation
- Robust to clutter and misdetections
- x Requires of approximations to remain computationally feasible



GLMB [Vo, 2014]



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## The GLMB Filter



The GLMB Filter

#### Random Finite Sets (RFS) Framework

Measurements and objects' states are modeled with RFSs [Mahler, 1994]:

#### Measurement Set Modeling

Single measurement:  $z_i = [p_i]^T$ Frame multi-measurement set:  $z_k = \{z_1^k, z_2^k, ..., z_{M_k}^k\}$ Sequence measurement set:  $Z_k = \{z_1, z_2, ..., z_k\}$ 

#### Prediction (prior):

#### Target Set Modeling

Single object state:  $\mathbf{x}_j = [p_j, v_j, w_j, h_j]^T$ Frame multi-object set:  $\mathbf{x}_k = \{x_1^k, x_2^k, \dots, x_{N_k}^k\}$ Sequence state set:  $X_k = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$ 

$$p(X_k|Z_{1:k-1}) = \int p(X_k|X_{k-1}) \ p(X_{k-1}|Z_{1:k-1}) \ \delta x_{k-1}$$
  
Update (posterior):

k: Time index p: position v: velocity a: acceleration N<sub>k</sub>: number of objects M<sub>k</sub>: number of measurements

$$p(X_k|Z_{1:k}) = \frac{p(Z_{1:k}|X_k)p(X_k|Z_{1:k-1})}{p(Z_k|Z_{1:k-1})}$$



The GLMB Filter

#### Labelled RFSs and the GLMB Filter

Labelled targets are modelled with Labelled multi-Bernoulli distributions

#### Target Set Modeling

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## **Proposed Adaptive Birth**



## Learning a Velocity History Map $h_{v}^{k}$

$$h_{\nu}^{k}(\widehat{p}_{i}) = \begin{cases} \frac{h_{\nu}^{k-1}(\widehat{p}_{i}) + \widehat{\nu}_{i}}{2} & \text{if } \|h_{\nu}^{k-1}(\widehat{p}_{i})\| \neq 0\\ \widehat{\nu}_{i} & \text{if } \|h_{\nu}^{k-1}(\widehat{p}_{i})\| = 0 \end{cases}$$



## GLMB Filter with Adaptive Birth

**Object Detection: Patch-based CNN** 

**Object Tracking: GM-PHD Filter** 







## Results



## Sample Area 1

Jilin-1 Satellite Constellation. Resolution: 1.0 m, Frequency: 20 Hz



Ground Truth



Filter Output



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Ground Truth



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Sample Results

## Sample Area 2

Jilin-1 Satellite Constellation. Resolution: 1.0 m, Frequency: 20 Hz



Ground Truth



Filter Output



Sample Results

## Sample Area 2

Jilin-1 Satellite Constellation. Resolution: 1.0 m, Frequency: 20 Hz



Ground Truth



Filter Output



Sample Results

#### ClearMOT [Bernarin, 2008] Scores

#### MOTA: Multiple Object Tracking Accuracy

- > Ranges from  $(-\infty, 100]$
- > Function of true positives, false positives, identity switches

#### MOTP: Multiple Object Tracking Precision

- ▶ Ranges from  $[0.0, \infty)$
- Function of distance between detections-ground truth

#### Average Scores for Aols 2, 34, 42

FN: False negative FP: False positive GT: GT objects IDS: identity switch  $d_i^k$ : distance to GT  $N_{Frames}$ : number of frames  $M_k$ : number of detected objects

$$MOTA = 1 - \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{N_{Frames}} FN_k + FP_k + IDS_k}{\sum_k GT_k}$$

$$MOTP = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{N_{Frames}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} d_i^k}{\sum_k M_k}$$

Method	ΜΟΤΑ	ΜΟΤΡ
Proposed	0.871	0.523
GLMB [Vo, 2017]	0.742	0.547
T-GMPHD [Aguilar, 2021]	0.464	0.554
SORT [Bewley, 2016]	0.478	0.824



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## Conclusion



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We presented a track by detection approach to track tiny moving objects by using an attention driven CNN inference and the GM-PHD filter.

- The **patch selection mechanism** contributed to **reduce false positives** and to perform training and inference with a CNN.
- The GM-PHD filter performs a **direct multi-object approach** in comparison to common techniques of using several independent Kalman filters.
- We obtain **both better detection and tracking** scores than competing methods



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