Satellite Imagery Classification by Process Description Graphs

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Research Objectives

- Develop a research and academic Grid infrastructure
- Develop Grid based satellite imagery processing platform
- Develop environment oriented applications based on satellite imagery classification

Paper's objectives:

- □ Flexible description and execution of processes
- □ Graph based process description
- □ gProcess set of tools supporting DAG based description, instantiation and execution
- Experiments by environment applications



MedioGrid Project

MedioGrid

Parallel and distributed graphical processing on Grid structure of geographical and environment data, 19CEEX-I03 (2005-2008)

The MEDIOGRID project aims to accomplish a pilot program to process the images acquired in real time from meteorological and resource satellites, in order to extract the meteorological and environment parameters that characterize the atmospheric and terrestrial state.

Project consortium:

- 1. Computer Science Department, Technical University of Cluj-Napoca, coordinator
- 2. Faculty of Geography, Babes Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca
- 3. iQuest Company , Cluj-Napoca
- 4. National Administration of Meteorology, Bucharest
- 5. Computer Science Department, Politehnica University of Bucharest
- 6. Informatics Department, West University of Timisoara
- 7. Computer Science Department, Politehnica University of Timisoara



MedioGrid Project

□ Main objectives

- Develop Grid structure to support the parallel and distributed processing of huge data (geographical and environmental)
- Develop algorithms for Grid based processing of satellite images
- Develop and experiment environment supervising applications with data extracted from satellite images
- Model and visualize the virtual geographical space

□ The project schedule:

- 1st year achieves and experiments the grid infrastructure, and analyzes the raw data and the processing techniques.
- 2nd year develops the Software Platform Kernel consisting of fundamental algorithms and components for image segmentation, and parallel and distributed data processing. It follows the kernel system experimentation over the grid by test and real input data.
- 3rd year develops and tests a pilot application specific for the analysis of social and ecological systems.



MedioGrid Project' Outcomes (2005-2007)

- Functional MedioGrid network (experimental Grid of 6 servers Cluj, Timisoara, Bucharest and more than 50 workstations)
- Software applications: MedioGrid Software Platform Kernel, Image processing MODIS (NASA), Cloud detection, Vegetation classification (Greenland), Water detection (Waterland), Mineral area detection (Minerals)
- Modeling and visualization of the virtual geographical space, GIS and LBS Kernel (Location Based Services)
- Active Objects based modeling and execution
- User interaction techniques for image based applications
- Visual Grid process description and scheduling for satellite image domain
- Grid and Web services based architecture
- Organize conferences and workshops: GridCAD (Timisoara 2006, 2007), ICCP-Grid Computing Workshop (Cluj-Napoca 2007), MedioGrid Workshop (Cluj-Napoca 2005)



MedioGrid Architecture



Functional MedioGrid layers



MEDIOGRID - Application Framework

MEDIOGRID - Software Platform Kernel

Middleware: Globus

Basic Grid Infrastructure





MedioGrid Flow Control





MedioGrid Platform Kernel

□ MediogridService

supports as Web and Grid service the creation, the execution, and the scheduling of the jobs

MediogridFactory

creates resource entities which keep information about the jobs

MediogridResource

contains information about the job state, the start and the end time of the job

MediogridOGSADAI

provides access to the image database

MediogridURLCopy

supports the file transfer using the GridFTP protocol

MediogridRLS

returns a list of physical images in order to allow the worker to decide where is the most appropriate GridFTP location to download data

- Job Manager
 - Condor

Alternatives: PBS (Portable Batch System), Sun Grid Engine



Data Repository

□ Satellite image

Landsat

Massive data. E.g. One image is about 600MB Seven bands, 1-7

Modis

Produced by sensors onboard the Terra and Aqua satellites

Covers the entire surface of the Earth

36 observational channels

250m to 1km spatial resolution

Data distributed by the NASA DAAC

- □ Layered on eXist (XML database)
- OGSA-DAI technology



Landsat Satellite Images

- □ Massive data. E.g. One image is about 600MB
- □ seven bands 1-7
 - band 1 water body penetration
 - band 2 green reflectance of vegetation
 - band 3 sensitive to chlorophyll absorption, determine the vegetation types
 - band 5 information on vegetation and soil moisture
 - band 6 vegetation stress
 - band 7 discriminates the mineral and rock types
- Different information is highlighted by various band weighted combinations
 - bands 4, 3, and 2
 - Classify land water boundaries and different types of vegetation
 - bands 4 (NIR), 5 (SWIR), and 3 (RED)
 - Land/water boundaries and vegetation areas
 - Water detection



gProcess – Diagrammatic Process Description

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Process description graph based workflow



Gond's Water Detection Algorithm

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□ SWIR (5), Red (3) and NIR (4) spectral bands





Water Detection Algorithm - Results



Pseudo colored initial Landsat image.

Samples of detected water areas.



Waterland Application

On-line available Web application: greenland.mediogrid.utcluj.ro

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Minerals Application



The Metaliferi Mountains area presented as a false color image (Band 7 by red, band 4 by green and band 2 by blue).



Conclusions

□ Future works:

- Develop the Grid and Web services for geographical and environment applications
- Web Semantic services toward MedioService Architecture
- Geographical and Environmental Ontology and Knowledge Database
- Geographical and environmental Grid pilot applications
- Grid visualization
- GIS and LBS applications
- Active objects based distributed modeling and processing



Many thanks. Questions

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