

Special Issue

Unconventional Drone-Based Surveying

Message from the Guest Editors

Structure-from-Motion photogrammetry (SfM) allows the detection of physical surfaces of interest in an extremely fast and simple way. There is a wide range of applications based on the use of drones for photogrammetric purposes, leading to the creation of dense and accurate point clouds representing the objects of interest. Possible topics (but not limited):

- providing new methods for data analysis, highlighting their strengths and weaknesses;
- studying possible unexpected systematic errors from data analysis due to digital camera specifications and/or the image distribution on the covered areas;
- conceiving methods for error mitigations and their applications;
- analyzing the impact of scale factor corrections on results in terms of surface variation reliability;
- verifying the role of real ground sampling distance (GSD) in digital models resolution;
- other original miscellaneous approaches. Generally, only papers concerning a successful application of a methodology in its final version are published.

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