# International Institute of Information Technology Bangalore

PROJECT ELECTIVE REPORT
CS-901

# Semantic Segmentation of 3D point cloud

GitHub Repository: https://github.com/BamboOst/Segmentation3D\_PointCloud

Adithya Nagaraja Somasalle January 2024- May 2024



# Contents

| 1                    | Objective  | 2    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 2                    | Dataset  | 2    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3                    | Segmentation Visualization Using Cloud Compare   | 2    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 Feature Extraction |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5                    | Training Classifier Cloud Compare's Canupo plugin  Training Classifier with machine learning                             |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6                    |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | $6.1  train-test \; split \; \ldots \; $ | . 2  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 6.2 Adding Features of neighbourhood radius $r=1$  | . 3  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 6.3 Adding Features of neighbourhood radius $r=1$ and $r=0.125$  | . 3  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 6.3.1 Set max threshold for number of points for each class  | . 3  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 6.4 Multi-Scale neighbourhood extraction   | . 3  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 6.5 Using XGBoost on miniTrain   | . 4  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 6.6 Using ensemble of random forest models   |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7                    | Updating Features and Data   | 6    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 7.1 All features considered  | . 6  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 7.2 Random Forest Hyper-Parameter Tuning   | . 8  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 7.3 Removing X,Y from features   | . 9  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 7.4 Thresholding features based on correlation values  | . 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                      | 7.5 train and test images  | . 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 1 Objective

To develop a machine learning model for semantic segmentation of 3D point cloud.

## 2 Dataset

The dataset used for training the model is Hessigheim 3D (H3D) dataset. H3D dataset contains train folder and test folder for Mar2018 and Mar2019. Each folder contains .laz files of point clouds over a village in Germany.

It contains 11 classes namely Low Vegetation, Impervious Surface, Vehicle, Urban Furniture, Roof, Facade, Shrub, Tree, Soil, Vertical Surface and Chimney.

## 3 Segmentation Visualization Using Cloud Compare



Figure 1: Segmentation on portion of train dataset

Here I used the classification values to separate each of the classes and manually gave custom colours to each of these classes and merge all the custom coloured classes.

#### 4 Feature Extraction

Cloud Compare offers an option to calculate several features of a point cloud like PCA, Eigen value, linearity etc. Feature extraction is performed on train data and stored in txt format for later use.

# 5 Training Classifier Cloud Compare's Canupo plugin

Cloud Compare offers Canupo plugin which can train classifier but the drawback is that is only a binary classifier. It works great for predicting classes like trees. For training multiple classes we will have to run the classifier nearly *logn* number of times where n is the number of classes. Clearly this approach is cumbersome.

# 6 Training Classifier with machine learning

#### **6.1** train - test split

For training a random forest we first need to convert into .txt format so that we can read this data in python and pass it to random forest model. Mar2019 data contains 119,029,358 number of points, training random forest on these many points results in my computer and kaggle to crash, so I have considered only a part of this data for train and test. Let the name of our train data be *miniTrain* as we are only choosing a part of the complete train data. All the lines containing NaN values were removed before passing into RandomForest.

### **6.2** Adding Features of neighbourhood radius r = 1

The following features were considered for training the random forest

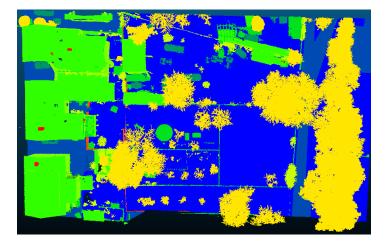
```
feature_order = [
    'X', 'Y', 'Z', 'R', 'G', 'B', 'Sphericity_(0.1)', '1st_eigenvalue_(0.1)',
    'Verticality_(0.1)', 'Number_of_neighbors_(r=0.1)', 'Planarity_(0.1)',
    'Linearity_(0.1)', 'PCA1_(0.1)'
]
```

| Metrics  | Results |
|----------|---------|
| Accuracy | 0.57471 |
| F1-score | 0.54322 |

#### 6.3 Adding Features of neighbourhood radius r = 1 and r = 0.125

#### 6.3.1 Set max threshold for number of points for each class

• Allot only 200000 points per class, if any class has number of points lesser than 200000 retain it.



• Allot only 200000 points per class, if any class has number of points lesser than 200000 than duplicates data belonging to that class randomly until the number of points belonging to that class is 200000

```
[40]: accuracy = accuracy_score(labels, y_pred)
print("Accuracy:", accuracy)

Accuracy: 0.3622475
```

• Another attempt was to just set the threshold as the class having maximum number of points.

```
accuracy = accuracy_score(labels, y_pred)
print("Accuracy:", accuracy)

Accuracy: 0.34356716560814476
```

#### 6.4 Multi-Scale neighbourhood extraction

The following features were considered

Results:

| Metrics  | Results  |
|----------|----------|
| Accuracy | 0.705809 |
| F1-score | 0.680613 |

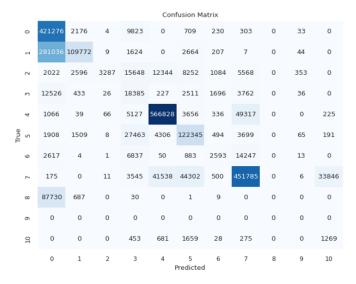


Figure 2: Confusion Matrix

Extending the features for r = 2 and r = 3

#### Results:

| Metrics  | Results |
|----------|---------|
| Accuracy | 0.7223  |
| F1-score | 0.7056  |

#### 6.5 Using XGBoost on miniTrain

Instead of training miniTrain with RandomForest, I tried training it with XGBoost with  $early\ stop\ rounds$  Results:

| Metrics  | Results |
|----------|---------|
| Accuracy | 0.72719 |
| F1-score | 0.69322 |

#### 6.6 Using ensemble of random forest models

Since we can't pass the entire data of original train (kaggle crashes), I split the entire train data including features (27 GB) into 5 files and train random forest on each of these data separately. At the end for predicting classes on *test data* I take the majority vote among them.

 $5~\mathrm{models}$  are generated namely model1, model2, model3, model4 and model5.

#### Results:

Table 1: Model Evaluation

| Model    | Accuracy | F1 Score |
|----------|----------|----------|
| model1   | 0.1724   | 0.0916   |
| model2   | 0.6676   | 0.6683   |
| model3   | 0.4681   | 0.4719   |
| model4   | 0.7345   | 0.7080   |
| model5   | 0.6471   | 0.6245   |
| ensemble | 0.7395   | 0.7292   |

Since the model1 had bad accuracy it wasn't involved in majority vote classifier.

|           | Confusion Matrix |        |    |       |        |                |        |        |    |    |    |
|-----------|------------------|--------|----|-------|--------|----------------|--------|--------|----|----|----|
| 0         | 383067           | 15601  | 0  | 26061 | 5      | 22             | 9729   | 41     | 28 | 0  | 0  |
| 1         | 181532           | 188824 | 0  | 18631 | 0      | 55             | 5894   | 427    | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 2         | 5740             | 1975   | 3  | 22852 | 13352  | 1238           | 2695   | 3267   | 0  | 32 | 0  |
| m         | 5750             | 225    | 0  | 23154 | 62     | 158            | 5834   | 4419   | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 4         | 41609            | 6398   | 29 | 10286 | 524881 | 6              | 759    | 42692  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| True<br>5 | 2545             | 1446   | 0  | 49638 | 2402   | 79117          | 3302   | 23538  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 9         | 1013             | 2      | 0  | 7273  | 35     | 17             | 10537  | 8368   | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 7         | 60               | 1      | 0  | 3753  | 818    | 65             | 1920   | 569091 | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 00        | 88255            | 4      | 0  | 10    | 0      | 0              | 188    | 0      | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 6         | 0                | 0      | 0  | 0     | 0      | 0              | 0      | 0      | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| 10        | 0                | 0      | 0  | 68    | 191    | 163            | 0      | 3943   | 0  | 0  | 0  |
|           | 0                | 1      | 2  | 3     | 4      | 5<br>Predicted | 6<br>I | 7      | 8  | 9  | 10 |

Figure 3: Confusion matrix of ensemble model

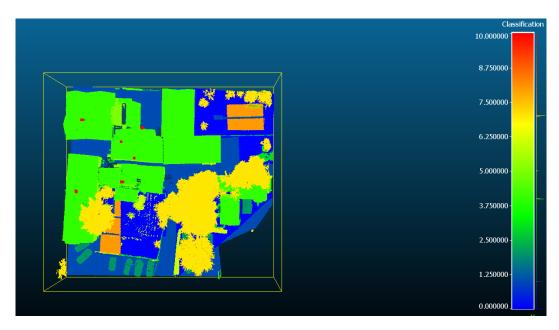


Figure 4: Original Test Data

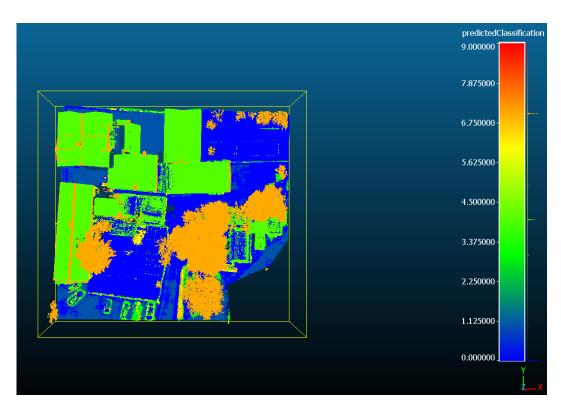


Figure 5: Ensemble model predictions

Overall the ensemble method gave the best accuracy and F1 score among all. The major drawback of this model is that it failes to identify classes 9,10 and 11.

# 7 Updating Features and Data

### 7.1 All features considered

In this I proceeded to upload the following features for getting better accuracy.

```
Index(['//X', 'Y', 'Z', 'R', 'G', 'B', 'Classification', 'Planarity_(0.1)',
    'Linearity_(0.1)', 'PCA1_(0.1)', 'Sphericity_(0.1)',
    'Verticality_(0.1)', '1st_eigenvalue_(0.1)', 'Planarity_(0.25)',
    'Linearity_(0.25)', 'PCA1_(0.25)', 'Sphericity_(0.25)',
    'Verticality_(0.25)', '1st_eigenvalue_(0.25)', 'Sphericity_(0.5)',
    'Verticality_(0.5)', '1st_eigenvalue_(0.5)', 'Planarity_(1)',
    'Linearity_(1)', 'PCA1_(1)', 'Sphericity_(1)', 'Verticality_(1)',
    '1st_eigenvalue_(1)', 'Eigenvalues_sum_(1)', 'Omnivariance_(1)',
    'Eigenentropy_(1)', 'Anisotropy_(1)', 'Surface_variation_(1)',
    'Eigenvalues_sum_(0.5)', 'Omnivariance_(0.5)', 'Eigenentropy_(0.5)',
    'Anisotropy_(0.5)', 'Surface_variation_(0.5)', 'Eigenvalues_sum_(0.25)',
    'Omnivariance_(0.25)', 'Eigenentropy_(0.25)', 'Anisotropy_(0.25)',
    'Surface_variation_(0.25)', 'Eigenvalues_sum_(0.1)',
    'Omnivariance_(0.1)', 'Eigenentropy_(0.1)', 'Anisotropy_(0.1)',
    'Surface_variation_(0.1)', 'Nx', 'Ny', 'Nz'],
    dtype='object')
```

Figure 6: Features

The scale considered were r = 0.1, 0.25, 0.5 and 1.

#### Results:

```
[21]: # Evaluate the accuracy of the model
    from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
    print("Accuracy:", accuracy)

Accuracy: 0.8164221713884292

[22]: from sklearn.metrics import f1_score

# Calculate the F1-score
    f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred, average='weighted')
    print("F1-score:", f1)

F1-score: 0.8011969037132088
```

Figure 7

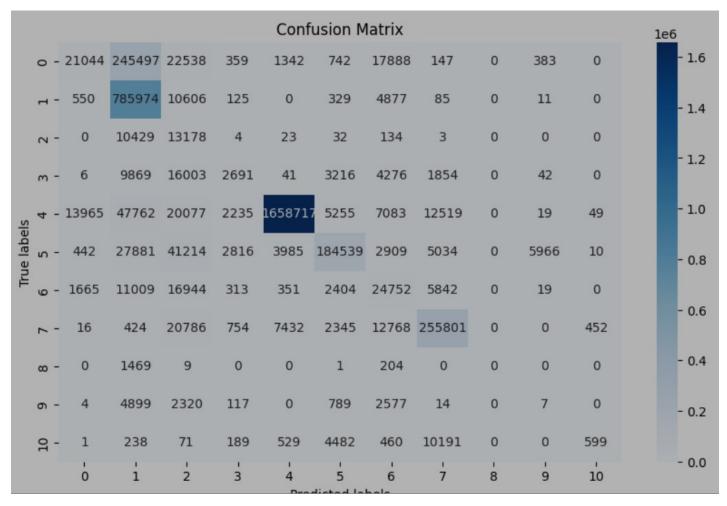


Figure 8: Confusion Matrix

### 7.2 Random Forest Hyper-Parameter Tuning

Performing Hyper parameter tuning on n-estimators parameter of Random Forest.

```
Training the model...

ne: 50, md: None - acc: 0.7448578078199168 f1: 0.7458150360108066

ne: 100, md: None - acc: 0.7464025724875141 f1: 0.7469410246792567

ne: 150, md: None - acc: 0.7468480553570962 f1: 0.7472537152773914

ne: 200, md: None - acc: 0.7472156184794745 f1: 0.7475698335832236

---> Best parameters: ne: 200, md: None
```

Figure 9: Hyper-Parameter Tuning

|          | > Confusion matrix:                         |             |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
|----------|---|-------------|------|------|--------|--------|-------|--------|----|--|--|--|
| [[1      | 408594                                      | 372887      | 2528 | 3171 | 165983 | 8072   | 31048 | 12926  | 18 |  |  |  |
| SEE 10 6 | 498   | 17]         |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 36684                                       | 318039      | 98   | 781  | 5006   | 28690  | 356   | 1851   | 4  |  |  |  |
|          | 11  | 3]          |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 5981  | 7983        | 2826 | 811  | 7044   | 6372   | 878   | 13050  | 0  |  |  |  |
| _        | 13  | 28]         |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 14774                                       | 8541        | 975  | 5378 | 14589  | 28670  | 4883  | 33892  | 0  |  |  |  |
|          | 422   | 113]        |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 73237                                       | 67466       | 1700 | 1199 | 468581 | 6381   | 3656  | 10213  | 3  |  |  |  |
| _        | 226   | 10]         |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 1409  | 3174        | 305  | 1756 | 4380   | 123730 | 847   | 11639  | 0  |  |  |  |
|          | 77  | 271]        |      |      |        | *****  |       |        | _  |  |  |  |
| [        | 3122  | 1170        | 85   | 800  | 1811   | 4270   | 2771  | 33513  | 7  |  |  |  |
| -        | 42  | 203]        | 007  | 4500 | 7450   | 44453  | 40004 | 050750 |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 3632  | 948         | 993  | 1509 | 7152   | 14153  | 10994 | 958752 | 0  |  |  |  |
| -        | 37  | 723]        |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
| [        | 0   | 0           | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0  |  |  |  |
|          | 1001  | 0]          | 401  | 000  | 1574   | 0673   | 1250  | 2527   | 0  |  |  |  |
| [        | 1091  | 948         | 401  | 866  | 1574   | 8672   | 1358  | 2537   | 0  |  |  |  |
| г        | 171   | 53]         | 5    | 222  | 250    | 07E    | 10    | 904    | 0  |  |  |  |
| [        | 44<br>1                                     | 55<br>27511 | 5    | 232  | 359    | 875    | 19    | 894    | V  |  |  |  |
| *****    |   |             |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |
|          | > Training time: 10770.571021795273 seconds |             |      |      |        |        |       |        |    |  |  |  |

Figure 10: Confusion Matrix of best n-estimator model

## 7.3 Removing X,Y from features

Now we remove X,Y from features for training, as this might mislead out data.

```
[21]: # Evaluate the accuracy of the model
    from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
    print("Accuracy:", accuracy)

Accuracy: 0.8160883784087742

[22]: from sklearn.metrics import f1_score

# Calculate the F1-score
f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred, average='weighted')
    print("F1-score:", f1)

F1-score: 0.8398456972422155
```

Figure 11: Removing X,Y from features

The corresponding f1-score per class for above is as follows

F1-score for each class:
Class 0: 0.5718234994597682
Class 1: 0.8296496514794315
Class 2: 0.41391322989522206
Class 3: 0.21565584455894224
Class 4: 0.9379609298212596
Class 5: 0.8285717099108857
Class 6: 0.33800168452392604
Class 7: 0.843618170682192
Class 8: 0.0
Class 9: 0.03802543227488501
Class 10: 0.5664502342401578

Figure 12: f1-score per class

### 7.4 Thresholding features based on correlation values

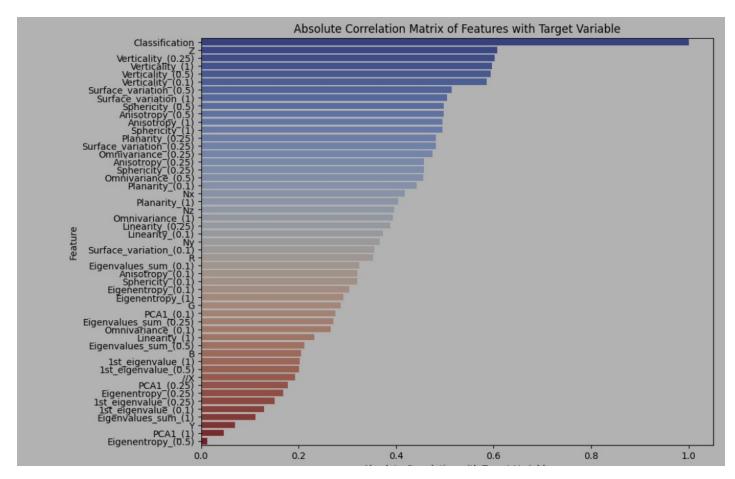


Figure 13: Correlation of features with Classification

```
# Evaluate the accuracy of the model
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print("Accuracy:", accuracy)
```

Accuracy: 0.7906998904715816

```
# Calculate the F1-score
f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred, average='weighted')
print("F1-score:", f1)
```

F1-score: 0.8198117006645611

Figure 14: Results

```
F1-score for each class:
Class 0: 0.5247756043657795
Class 1: 0.7927690428531086
Class 2: 0.33664746754434083
Class 3: 0.19211558689856376
Class 4: 0.9328012403123066
Class 5: 0.8220926818041127
Class 6: 0.2515180467571985
Class 7: 0.8113715437368401
Class 8: 0.0
Class 9: 0.044330228075811114
Class 10: 0.6021396615444466
```

Figure 15: f1-score per class

Overall we can see that the model using no X,Y gives the best accuracy, f1-score.

# 7.5 train and test images

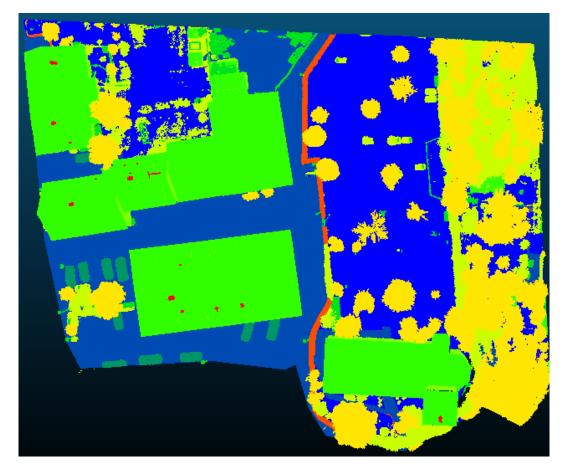


Figure 16: train-1

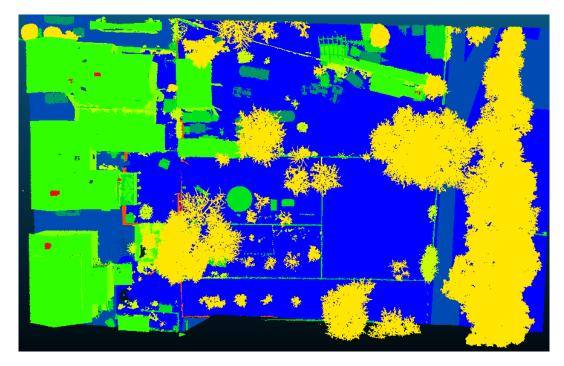


Figure 17: train-2

The above images are train-1 and train-2 which are concatenated for training data.

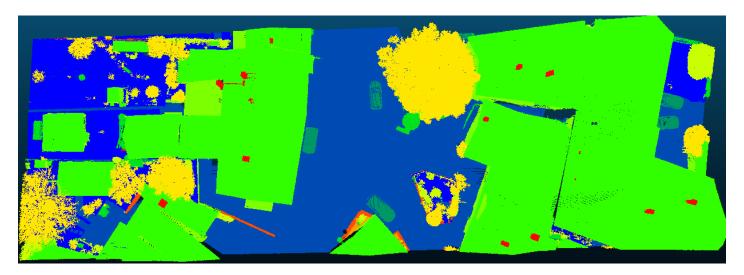


Figure 18: test-ground truth

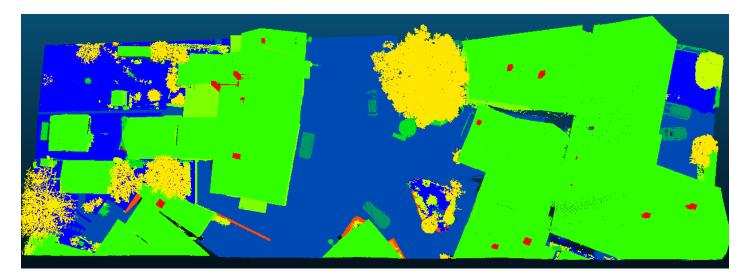


Figure 19: test-predicted value

In the above 2 images you can see that the points are classified almost similarly, but the thing we notice is that the classification of prediction values are lesser dense than the grount truth values. For better understanding look at the bottom left of both images and focus on the tree (yellow). You find that the point become less denser.

If you look at the car in the center of figure beside the tree we notice that in predicted value the car isn't completely classified as car, some points are misclassified as ground points.

We observe the following from confusion matrix:

- Low Vegetation and Impervious Surface are highly misclassified with each other, the reasoning behind it can be that the height of these classes are highly similar.
- Roof class is highly classified correctly.
- Facade class has good amount of accuracy in classification.
- Tree class has a great amount of accuracy in classification.
- Many of the vehicle points are misclassified with ground class.

Overall, I have achieved accuracy of 81.608% and f1-score of 83.984% when considering 44 features to train (X, Y not considered for training).