

TJNU Cloud Segmentation Database (TCSD) Agreement

Introduction

The TJNU Cloud Segmentation Database (TCSD) is collected from 2019 to 2020 in nine provinces of China, which includes Tianjin, Anhui, Sichuan, Gansu, Shandong, Hebei, Liaoning, Jiangsu, and Hainan. The TCSD is composed of 2300 cloud images, of which 1874 samples are used for training and 426 samples are used for testing, and each sample comprises one ground-based cloud image and a cloud mask. The cloud images are captured by a visual sensor and stored in the PNG format with the pixel resolution of 512×512. All the samples are cooperatively annotated by the meteorologists and the ground-based cloud researchers. The TCSD will be provided free of charge to cloud-related researchers in order to promote research. This agreement is granted by the providers in College of Electronic and Communication Engineering, Tianjin Normal University, Tianjin, China, and Meteorological Observation Centre, China Meteorological Administration, Beijing, China.

Content

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