Automatic Target Detection for 3D Ground-Penetrating Radar Data

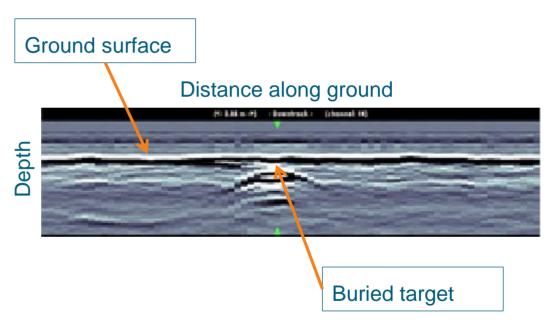
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Ground-Penetrating Radar (GPR)









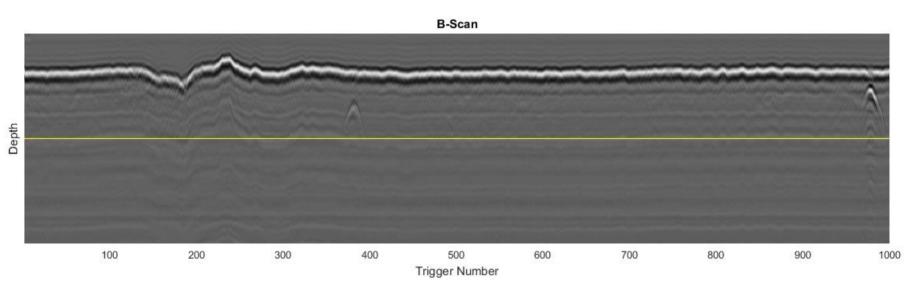
Vehicle Mounted GPR Array





Problem

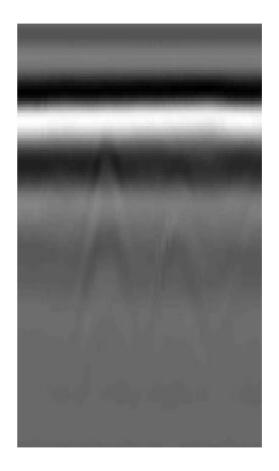
Automatic detection and discrimination of targets





GPR Signal Features

- Amplitude
- Phase change
- Shape
- Background





Challenge

- Produce automated scheme to detect targets of interest
 - Objective
 - High probability of detection
 - Low false alarm rate
- Suitable for real-time operation
 - Using current and previous data
 - Sub-second output





Overview

- Dstl to provide
 - Vehicle mounted GPR array data (3D) collected over ground with buried targets
 - Target locations (ground truth)
 - Explanatory information
- UDRC develop detection/discrimination algorithms
- Dstl to evaluate algorithms on similar data



Timetable

- Data and explanatory notes provided
 - Please contact
 - Dr Nigel Davidson, ndavidson@dstl.gov.uk, 01980 951615
- Submission of algorithms
 - 31st March 2020
- Announcement and Prize
 - UDRC Meeting May 2020



