Interactive comment on “PRACTISE – Photo Rectification And Classification Software (V.1.0)” by S. Härer et al.

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General Comments

The paper utilises a number of different research streams to generate data in an often used format from easily collected observations. With a demand for value for money PRACTISE offers a multitude of uses in affordable remote sensing.

I believe the paper and code will provide a useful tool across the geoscientific community.

I am particularly pleased to see the inclusion of programme code in the supplement.

Specific Comments

• It would be good to see a more in-depth discussion of limitations, with these mentioned in the abstract

• There is no mention made of the software run-time per photograph

• Consider which parts of a figure are important and make these bigger

• There are two referenced Corripio papers from 2004, define which is discussed in the text (a/b)

• As with other reviewers, tidy up the use/descriptions of GCPs. It is confusing to say they aren’t needed, and then use them in two different sections (one optional).

Technical corrections

• Section 1, line 5-18: consider using bullet points for this list to make reading easier

• Section 2, line 6: ‘are determined using longitude and latitude’ this is ambiguous, was a GIS used and long/lat ascertained?

• Section 2, line 6: ‘altitude derived’, clarify this. Presume you mean PRACTISE takes altitude from corresponding dtm pixel?

• Section 2, line 24: ‘DEM had a spatial resolution’ presume this is x,y?

• Section 2, line 27: Why are GCPs needed? This seems to contradict P173 L28/9

• Section 3.3: GCPs used earlier in paper
• Section 3.3, line 24: define ‘good results’.

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