LAND SUBSIDENCE MONITORING ON THE UNDERGROUND MRT CONSTRUCTION AREA IN JAKARTA, INDONESIA

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ABSTRACT

Space utilization for measurement of the changes of Earth’s surface is an alternative monitoring technique. Covering a large area with better spatial resolution, comparable accuracy and costly low compared with conventional measurement have made SAR technology more popular in monitoring the subsidence. Land subsidence is the vertical movement of the land surface mainly triggered by fluid extraction, load of construction, geological condition, natural compaction or tectonic activity. Previous researchers have found that Jakarta has experienced land subsidence for decades. On the other hand, rapid urban growth and severe congestion problem in Jakarta are also crucial issues. By providing the first MRT subway, it is expected to be solved the congestion problem. Persistent Scatterer Interferometry Synthetic Aperture Radar (PSInSAR) is one of method to identify the deformation with millimeter accuracy. It was perfectly useful for studied on the land subsidence in consequence of the first MRT subway project in Jakarta. The land displacement monitoring along MRT subway trajectory has been acquired by processing Sentinel 1 and ALOS PALSAR-2. This study was able to investigate the land subsidence by using SARPROZ. Finally, the results of this study indicated that land subsidence occurred in the construction area with the lowest land subsidence rate of -0.6 cm/year and the highest land subsidence rate was -7.3 cm/year.

Keywords: PSInSAR; subway; land subsidence; MRT.

1. INTRODUCTION

Jakarta as the capital city of Indonesia is a very dense city, populated by 11,063,324 people (Department of Population and Civil Registration Jakarta, 2019). Rapid population growth will certainly have impacts on the carrying capacity of settlement areas, including the daily needs of people such as fresh water consumption and transportation. One of the critical issues of increased urban development is land subsidence and its impacts. United States Geological Survey (USGS) defines land subsidence as gradual settling or sudden sinking of the Earth’s surface due to the removal or displacement of subsurface earth material. By its definition, subsidence is a lowering of the ground level in vertical motion caused by aquifer system compaction associated with groundwater withdrawal, the load of constructions, tunnel construction or underground mining and natural subsidence either from natural compaction or tectonic activities (Chaussard et al., 2013; USGS, 2020). Based on data obtained by Department of Industrial and Energy Jakarta, groundwater used in Jakarta is 8,155,282 m$^3$ in 2018 and 6,693,949 m$^3$ until September 2019. South Jakarta consumed 4,348,123 m$^3$ of groundwater in 2018 because it has a lot of high rises buildings and settlement areas. Records indicated vertical movement in Jakarta is vary from 2 cm up to 26 cm in the
coastal area (Abidin et al., 2011; Ng et al., 2012; Koudogo et al., 2012; Caussard et al., 2013; Hutabarat et al., 2017; Widodo et al., 2019). Impacts of land subsidence physically can be seen on permanent damage of constructions and infrastructures, sinking of houses and buildings, wider expansion of coastal and/or flooding areas, and increased inland seawater intrusion (Abidin et al., 2015; Moe et al., 2016).

Tunneling may include groundwater dewatering. However, if it compared to groundwater withdrawn for daily need, tunnel dewatering may seem less influential but potentially subside. Researchers were analyzing subsidence using satellite remote sensing on several location, such as in Shanghai subway (Perrisin et al., 2012), Burata railway tunnel in Spain (Fernandez et al., 2013), Madrid city (Sillerico et al., 2015). Those studies showed that subsidence occurred on the underground construction area with various value. The land subsidence in Jakarta has been measured using leveling, GPS data, or InSAR methods (Bayuaji et al., 2010; Abidin et al., 2007; 2008; 2011; 2015). However, measuring displacement in a large area using conventional surveys such as leveling and GPS surveys, will costly high and limited on specific measurement points. Therefore, the technology that can be used to study ground deformation in wide areas and has better spatial resolution than conventional methods (Osmanoglu et al., 2010; Perrisin et al., 2012).

This paper aims to monitor the displacement on the new subway in Jakarta with approximately length is 6 kilometers through.

Persistent scatterers InSAR (PSInSAR) is a useful tool to investigate the subsidence pattern with a highly coherent target (Ferreti et al., 2001; Perrisin et al., 2012). This method identifies image pixels with coherent backscatter signals over a long interval of time. Considering the importance of monitoring subsidence of the underground MRT construction area, this research applied Persistent Scatterer InSAR (PSInSAR) to obtain land subsidence in millimeter accuracy by using SARPROZ software then processing 19 scenes of Sentinel 1A from 2014 to 2016 and 13 scenes of ALOS-2 from 2016 to 2019.

2. METHODOLOGY

2.1 Research Location

Jakarta is located at Northern West Java sea between 5°48’30” and 6°24’00” S latitude and 106°33’00” and 107°00’00” E longitude, this area relatively flat with slopes <2%. Study area is formed by alluvial soil with high compressibility (compressibility index: 0.36 – 1.16), very soft or soft consistency, and low bearing capacity (Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources).

The tunnel is excavated from South Jakarta to Central Jakarta with approximately 6 kilometers length with depth of tunnel is 17 meters to 25 meters through the Sisingamangaraja street as a transition from elevated station to underground station and Jendral Sudirman street. (Environmental Impacts Analysis of MRT Jakarta, 2010).

2.2 Materials

Nineteen scenes of Sentinel-1 with VV polarization between October 2014 and July 2016 along an ascending orbit were used to analyze the subsidence before construction period. To carry out a PSInSAR with SARPROZ from January 2016 to December 2019, was utilized ALOS PALSAR-2 with HH polarization during construction period. Sentinel 1A data is provided by Alaska Satellite Facility (https://search.asf.alaska.edu) and ALOS PALSAR-2 by Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (https://www.eorc.jaxa.jp).
2.3 Data Processing

InSAR analysis method that used in this research was PSInSAR. Typically, PSInSAR corresponds to man-made objects such as building or bridge, as well as it will give a stable reflection to the sensor over time. This method suitable applied in the dense of permanent structures. So, PSInSAR was chosen method to investigate the land subsidence in the study area. Multiple pairs of radar images with one master image were processed by using SARPROZ in MatLab. The internet connection is required while processing the data.
1. **Data preparation**

First of all, preparing required data for processing in SARPROZ at least 10 interferograms would be obtain reliable results. The master image had been selected to minimize the sum decorrelation with minimum normal baseline. An advanced technology was used in this software which automatically selected the master images based on the baseline information. Once a master image had set, the slave images would be resampled for each image with respected to master image. Co-registration was performance as last step in data preparation.

2. **Preliminary analysis and geocoding**

After preparing the data, further step was calculated the amplitude stability for each pixel where the amplitude dispersion index (DA) is defined as below (Feretti, 2001):

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DA = \frac{\sigma A}{\mu A}
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Where DA is the amplitude dispersion index, \(\sigma A\) is standard deviation and \(\mu A\) is the mean of amplitude. The Amplitude Stability Index in the software is defined as a subtraction from 1, as highest value of correlation, with the amplitude dispersion index. Google Earth was used to choose the ground control object, in order to identify the reflectivity map for geocoding the dataset. In addition, SARPROZ was directly connected to Shuttle Radar Topographic Mission (SRTM) for providing the DEM which used removal the topographic phase.

3. **Atmospheric Phase screen (APS) estimation**

In SARPROZ, atmospheric phase was estimated in APS processing tools. The amplitude stability index was set with threshold 0.85 to select the PSCs. The threshold was a parameter to eliminate inappropriate pixels to be PS candidates which were below the threshold value. Furthermore, reference point had to be selected considering that InSAR measure the relative movement of the ground to the reference point. The reference point mostly like to be stable. The value of surface stability was 0 to 1. The value was 0 or nearly 0 represented the low correlation, in contrast, the value of 1 was showing the perfectly coherence data which indicated the point was on the ground. So, selected reference point was point with value approach to 1. Some image had a lower than 0.85, as the threshold determined, would not include.

4. **Multi temporal analysis**

In SARPROZ, the PSs selected based on the amplitude stability index, based on amplitude information contained in SAR data, and the temporal coherence in pixels based on phase information. In multi-temporal analysis, the threshold was lower which included more points. In this study, selection of pixels had to have amplitude stability at least 0.69 and a coherence higher than 0.80 were selected as PSs. After the pixels selected, the selected pixels were geocoded and exported to be transformed to PS points. Finally, the time-series deformation was implemented in Google Earth or converted to csv file.

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Result

About 260 independent targets have been found at tunnel construction area from Sentinel 1A and ALOS PALSAR-2 data set with PSInSAR. Two LOS subsidence maps are presented in Figure 4.6, the first one was estimated with Sentinel 1A between 2014 and 2016, and the second one has been
detected by ALOS PALSAR-2 from 2016 to 2019. These radar data are described the movement value, in the first plot by the color scale.

Figure 2. The cumulative subsidence in research area

The displacement analysis result in LOS direction should be transformed to vertical motion by assumed that all movement is moved vertically.

MRT tunnel excavation in Jakarta was using four TBMs named Antareja I, Antareja II which were used in CP 104- CP 105 started from Pemuda statue to Setia Budi station, whereas Mustikabumi I and Mustikabumi II were excavated from Bundaram HI station to Setia Budi station in CP 106 package. The tunnel excavation in CP 104 – CP 105 established from September 2015 and CP 106 was on February 2016. All station was finally linked on 23 February 2017, then the mechanical works and support systems installation gradually continued. Finally, on 24 March 2019, MRT Jakarta was officially operated. The PSs which represented the subsidence at the CP 104 – CP 105, PS’s ID point 5185 (Sentinel 1A processed images) and ID point 32402 (ALOS 2 processed images), were chosen. As well as at CP 106 project area, PS’s ID point 8775 (Sentinel 1A processed images) and ID point 52068 (ALOS 2 processed images), have been selected.

By calculated LOS displacement and incident angle of LOS, vertical displacements are found as shown below:
Selected point of PS and progressive movement along subway trajectory (a) CP 106 (b) CP 104 – CP 105

The graph is given information about subsidence time-series at CP 104 – CP 105 and CP 106. Both of selected PS are shown subsidence trend continuously decline.

3.2 Validation

In order to validate the subsidence which was measured by satellite data, this study used 11 points of GPS geodetic measurement provided by Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources in 2018. Eleven GPS geodetic points measurement for monitoring land deformation are spread all over Jakarta areas. This research used 3
points at North Jakarta (Muara Angke, Kebon Bawang and Marunda), 3 points at West Jakarta (Duri Kosambi, Latumenen and Victtoria Residence), 1 point at Central Jakarta (Gambir), 2 points at South Jakarta (Duren Tiga and Kebagusan Raya), and 2 points at East Jakarta (Cipinang and Halim). Location of each point presented as a map below.

Furthermore, to validate the accuracy of ALOS-2 data with GPS Geodetic data in 2018, so the comparison between PSInSAR and GPS Geodetic data measurement show as below.

The relationship model of PSInSAR analysis and GPS geodetic was using linear regression. A scatterplot data can be used to determine strength of two variables.
Correlation coefficient value of linear regression is 0.875 which is acceptable.

![Linear Regression](image)

**Figure 7.**
Linear regression

### 3.3 Discussion

In case of Shanghai, which has similar profile with Jakarta, the subway lines are formed on the very soft clay and very soft silt. The study revealed that the subsidence has occurred on the Shanghai subway which operated in 2009 onward with -2 cm/year to -4 cm/year (Perrisin et al, 2012). Other case of subsidence was in Genoa city, northern Italy. The tunnel in this city dominated by the marine deposit of the Ortovero clay, made up of prevailing marls, over-consolidated marls clays, siltstone and fine sandstones. Cumulatively value of displacement in genoa city subway was -0.5 to 2.5 cm/year most likely to the alluvial deposits (Roccheggiani et al, 2019).

Nonetheless, Other study related to tunnel construction is M-30 twin tunnel in Spain. The average subsidence identified in twin tunnel in Madrid city, does not represent any danger to the man-made structures due to the low value of average subsidence, below 0.5 cm/year. Geologically, M-30 tunnel in Madrid city is located in the tertiary Madrid basin with dominated by intermediate Miocene and evaporitic sediment (Sillerico et al, 2015).

Compared to other study areas which are the urban area with dominated by alluvial deposits have showed the similarity in Jakarta case. The subsidence behavior in MRT Jakarta cumulatively was -1 cm to -4 cm/year. Thus, the numerous of buildings and soil characteristics continuously contributed to the displacement on the tunnel area. Accordingly, excavation does not directly give impact to surface displacement. However, it would increase the velocity of land subsidence in particular area. In case of tunneling project in MRT Jakarta can surely be seen in Figure 4.6 which showed the subsidence time series at the selected PS points.

### 4. CONCLUSION

This research the highlight of Sentinel 1A and ALOS-2 for monitoring the ground subsidence of the first MRT underground excavation, by applied PSInSAR have been processed with SARPROZ, in a dense city like Jakarta. The result reveals the useful of PSInSAR to
measure the time series displacement. SAR satellite imagery is useful for monitoring the displacement of the first tunnel construction in Jakarta. The Persistent Scatterer Interferometry Synthetic Aperture (PSInSAR) was applied to measure the land subsidence. Conventional surveying methods can be costly higher than utilizing satellite imagery with same coverage area. In addition, ground validation data have given great agreement with PSInSAR measurement and the result’s provided detail historical deformation that has occurred on the ground’s surface. In this research, the behavior of land subsidence is clearly seen during 2014 – 2016 by Sentinel 1A (before tunnel excavation) and 2016 – 2019 by ALOS-2 (during and after construction). The rate of ground motion is slightly decline. However, after tunnel excavated, the rate of land subsidence increased rapidly until MRT officially operated. The ground subsidence in CP 104 – CP 105 is reached to -4.7 cm/year and CP 106 is -7.3 cm/year. It can be concluded that the underground work did not given a direct impact to the ground’s surface, yet the velocity of land subsidence increased.

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