

**Topobathymetric Data Processing  
with HydroVISH – Workflow**

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# Data handling

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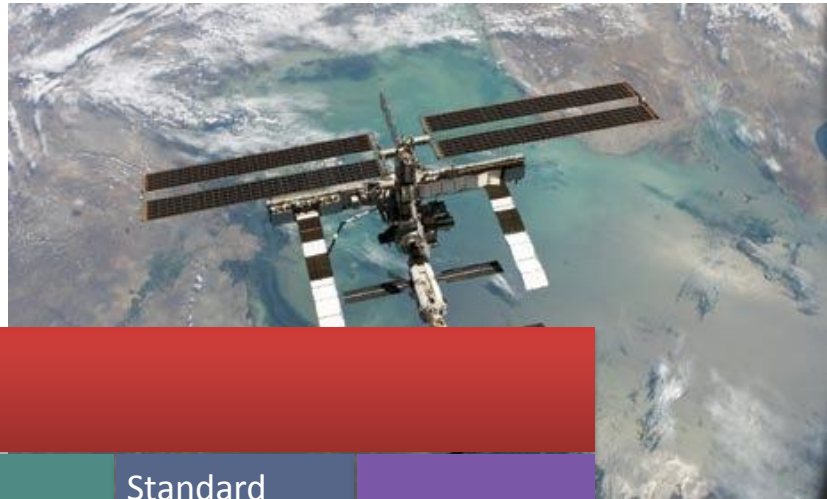
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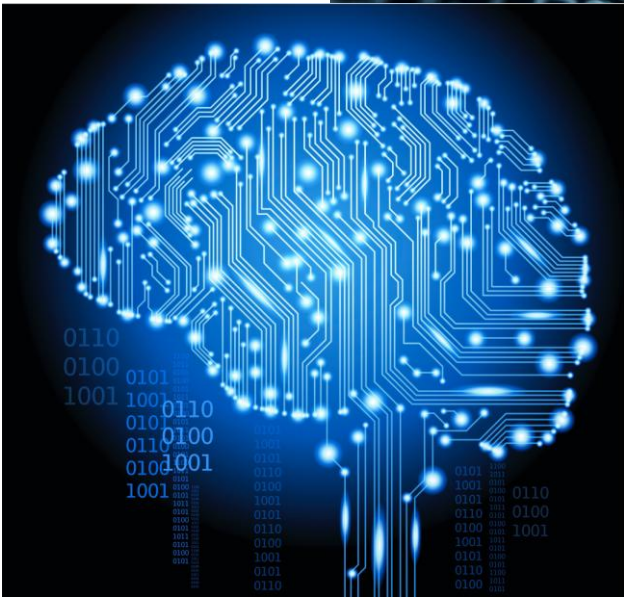
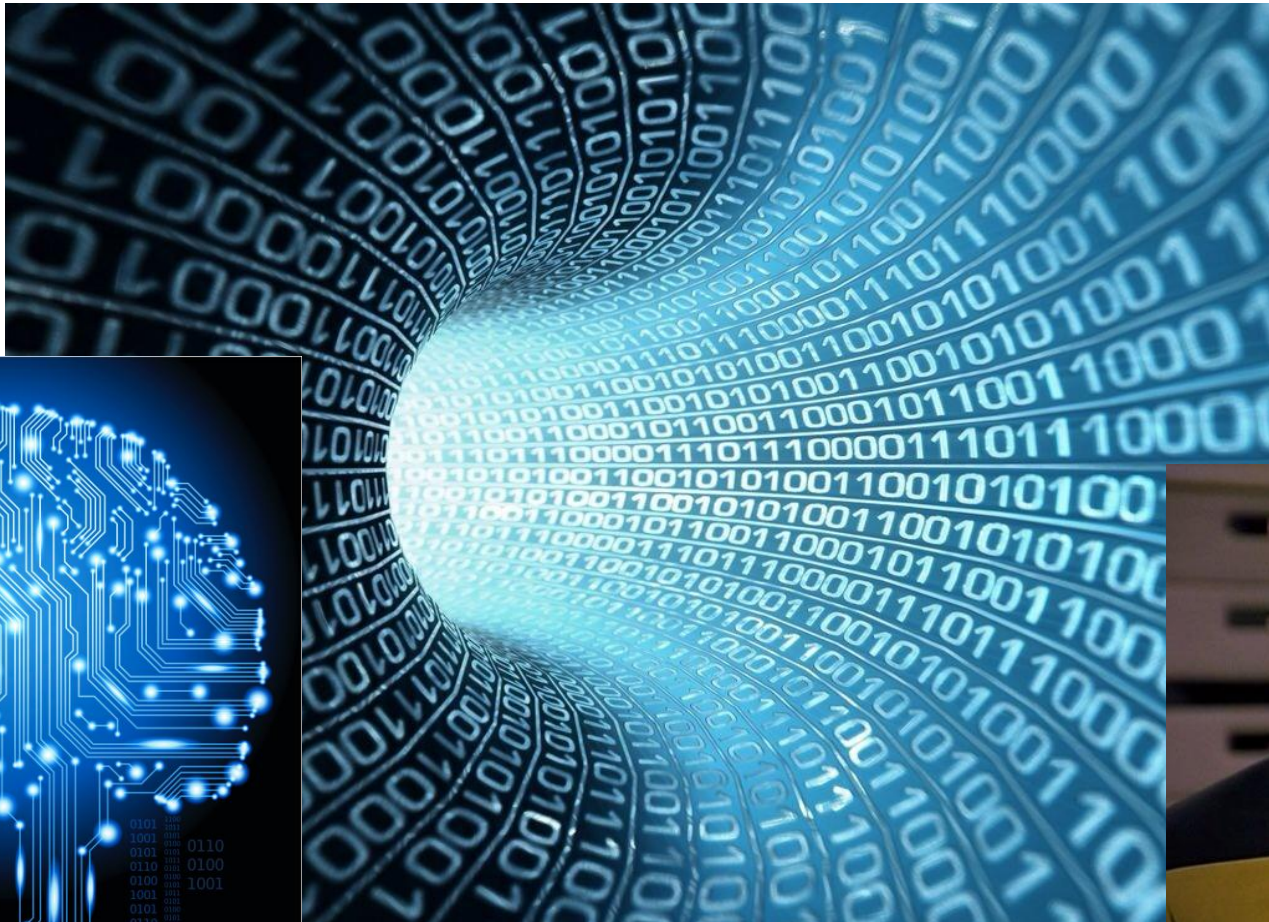
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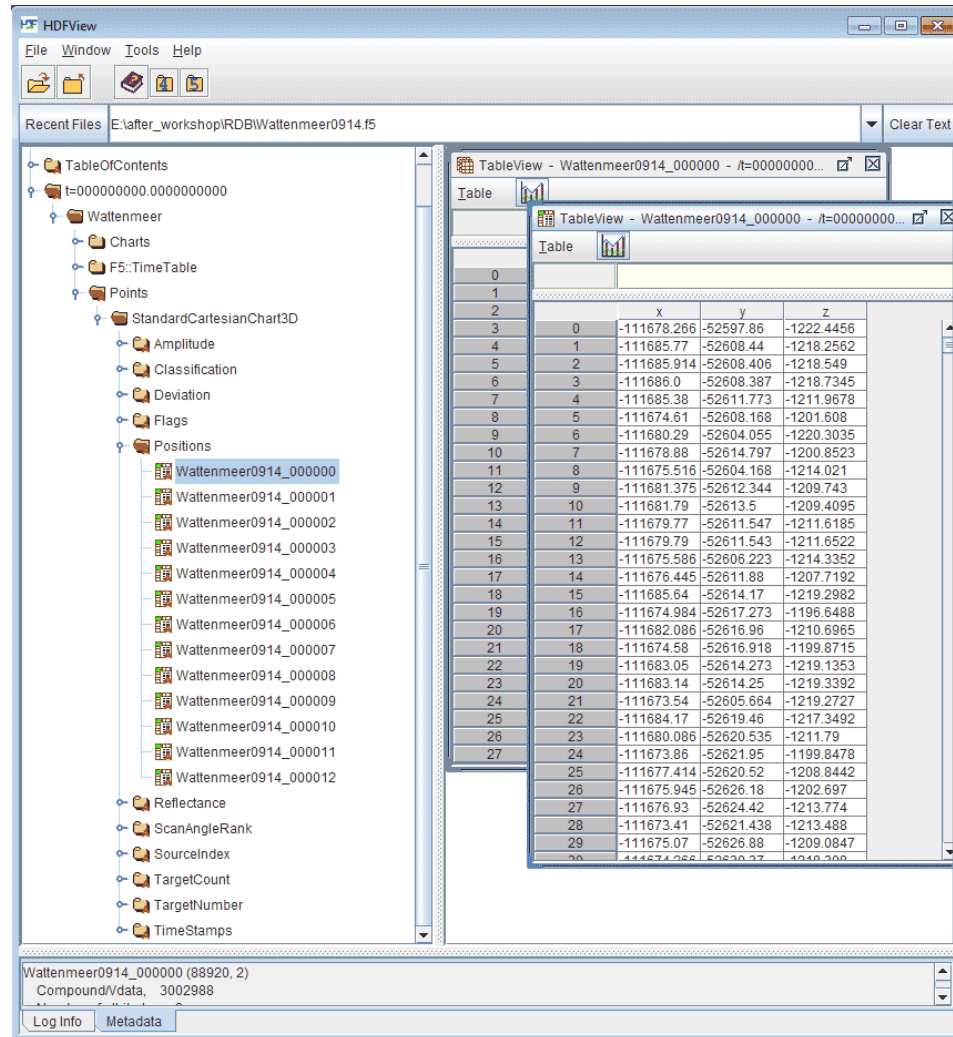
- Before data processing and visualization one has to deal with data of many different kinds and many formats
- Data management and handling is crucial



# Data handling

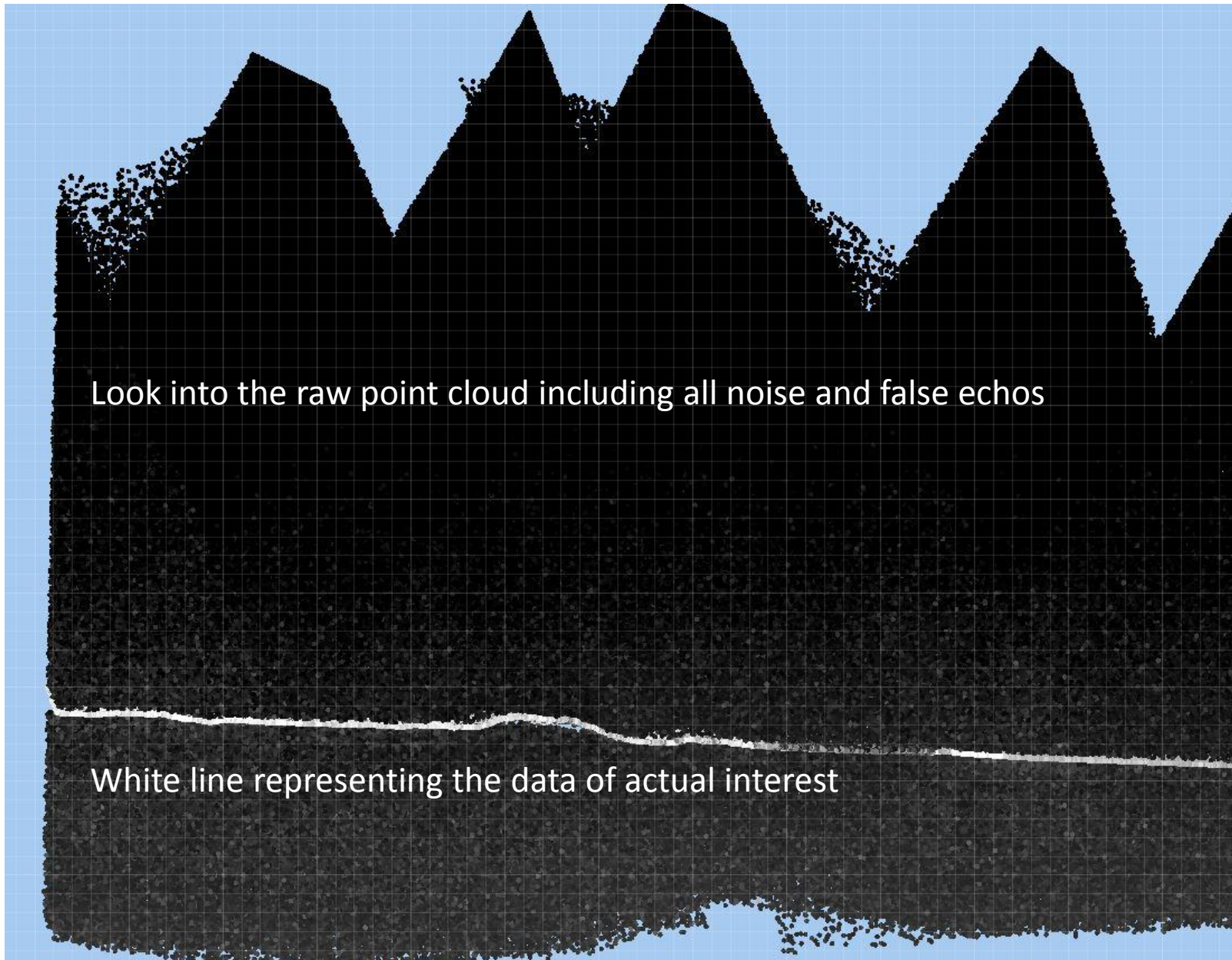
- Raw data size coming from sensor: 26.3GB/km<sup>2</sup>
- Data format (f5): read out of Riegl file format rds & rdx

HDF5 & F5 file format open and free to document all data and manipulations executed on data → even after export (no more limitations due to file formats)





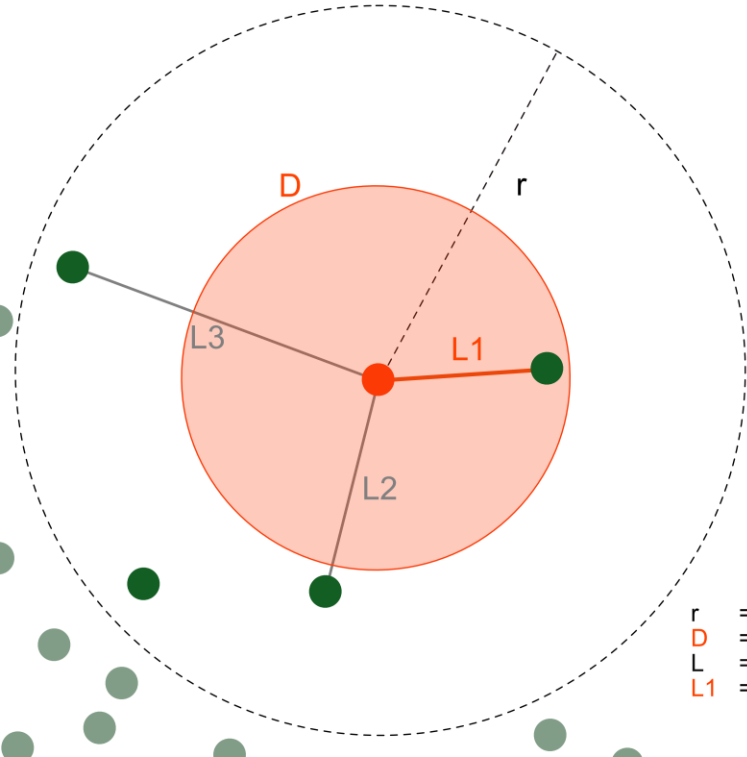
# Raw data



# Step 1) Removing flaw echos

Neighbourhood of points is investigated – detection of flaw echos according to:

- 1) Search radius  $r$ : radius for neighborhood analysis
- 2) Distance criteria  $D$ : distance, in which nearest point has to be located
- 3) Density criteria  $\rho$ : point density, which has to be given within search radius



$r$  = search radius  
 $D$  = distance criteria  
 $L$  = distance to neighbouring point  
 $L1$  = distance to nearest neighbouring point

Point is no flaw echo, if...

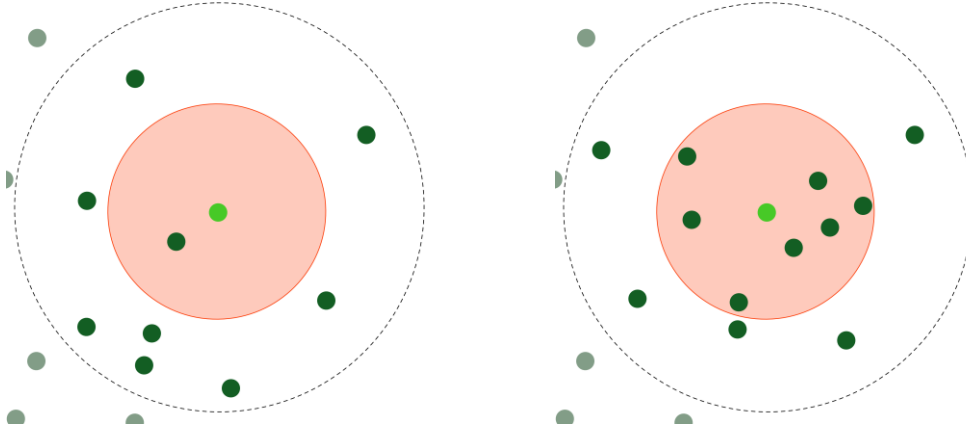
Point density within search radius  $r \leq$  density criteria  $\rho$

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Distance to nearest neighboring point  $L1 \leq$  Distance criteria  $D$

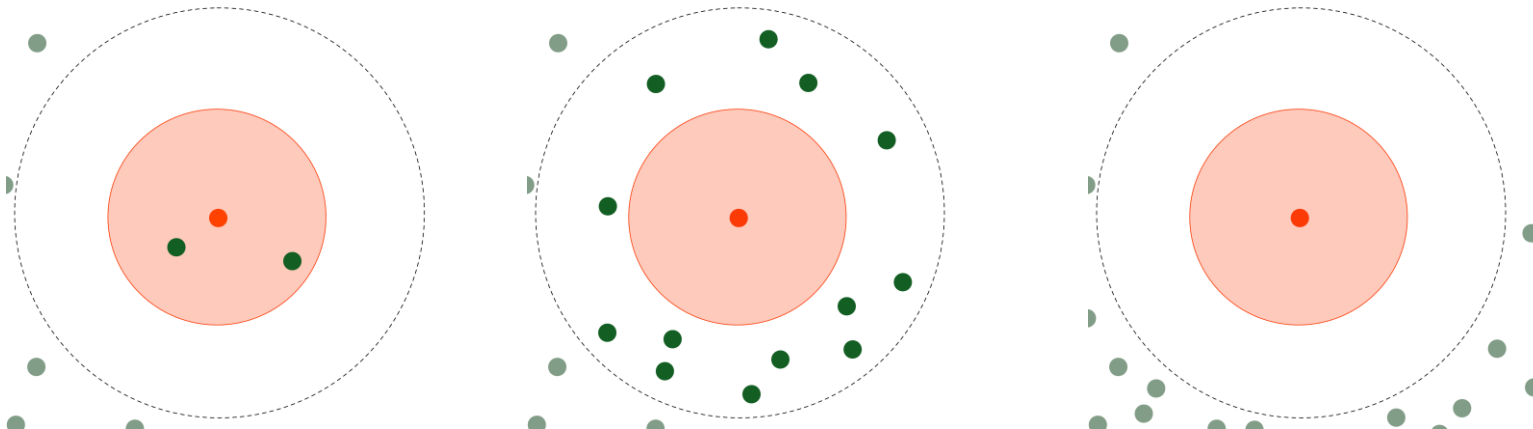
# Step 1) Removing flaw echos

No flaw echos



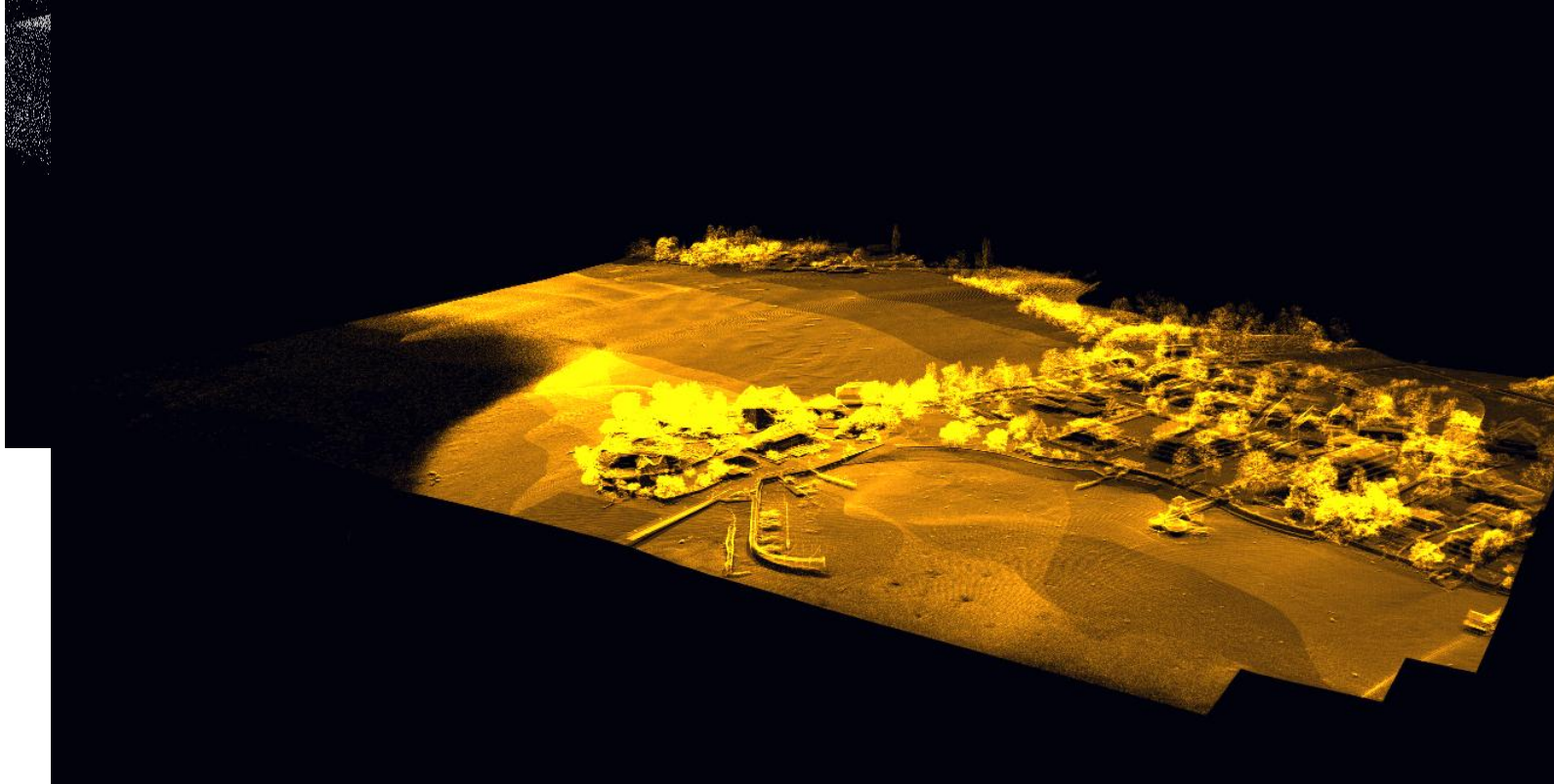
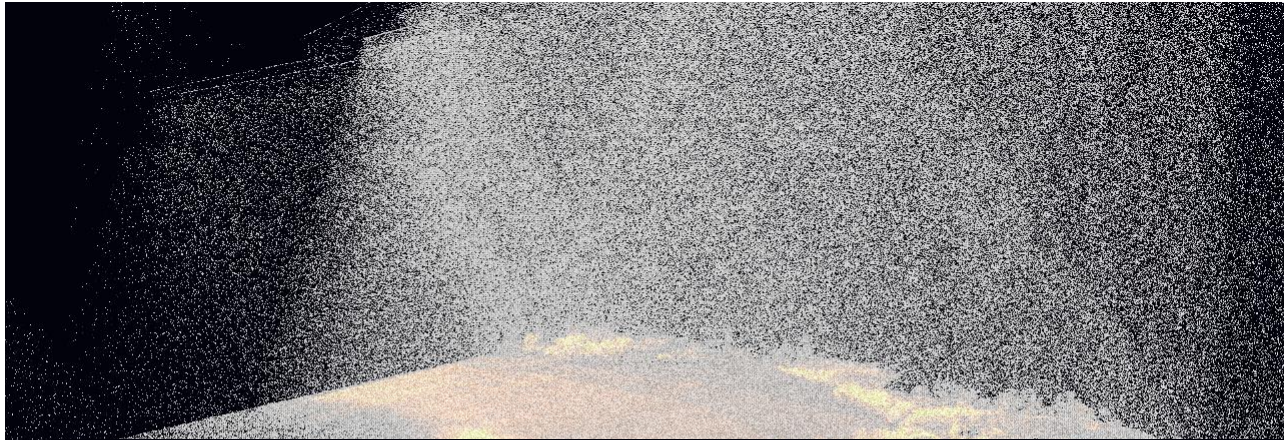
Filtering of flaw echos by factor of 10 faster, when GPU used for processing

Flaw echos



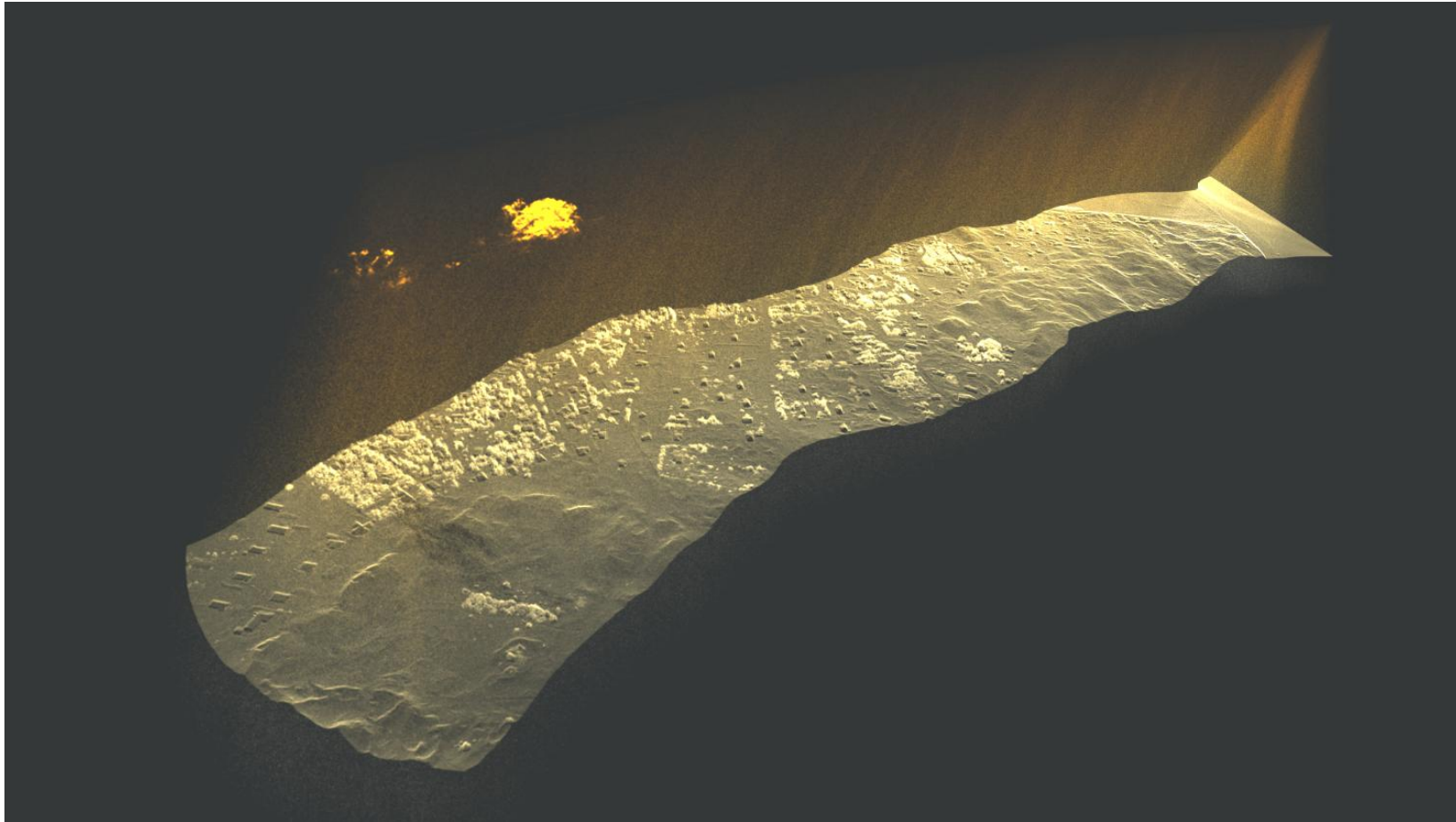


# Step 1) Removing flaw echos





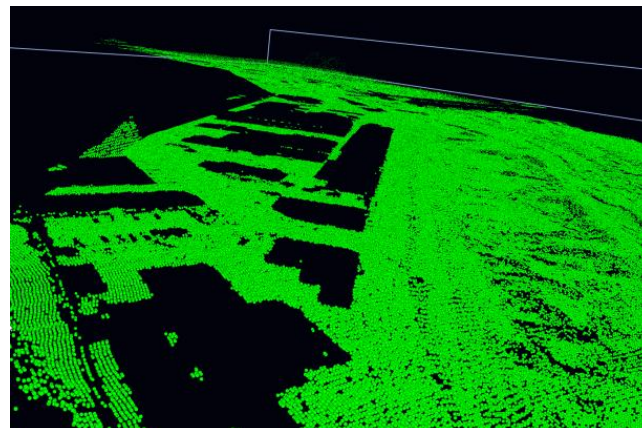
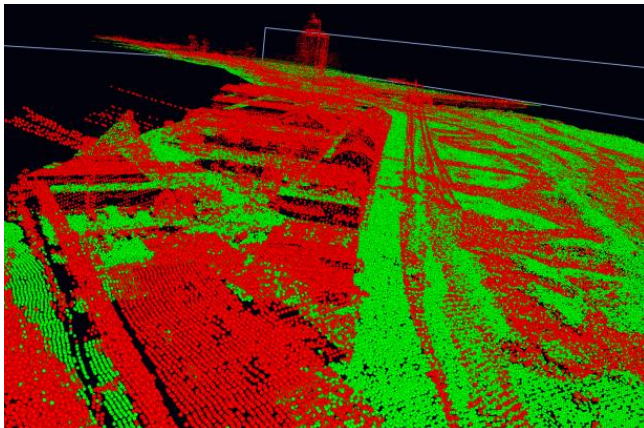
# Step 1) Removing flaw echos



## Step 2) Point cloud classification

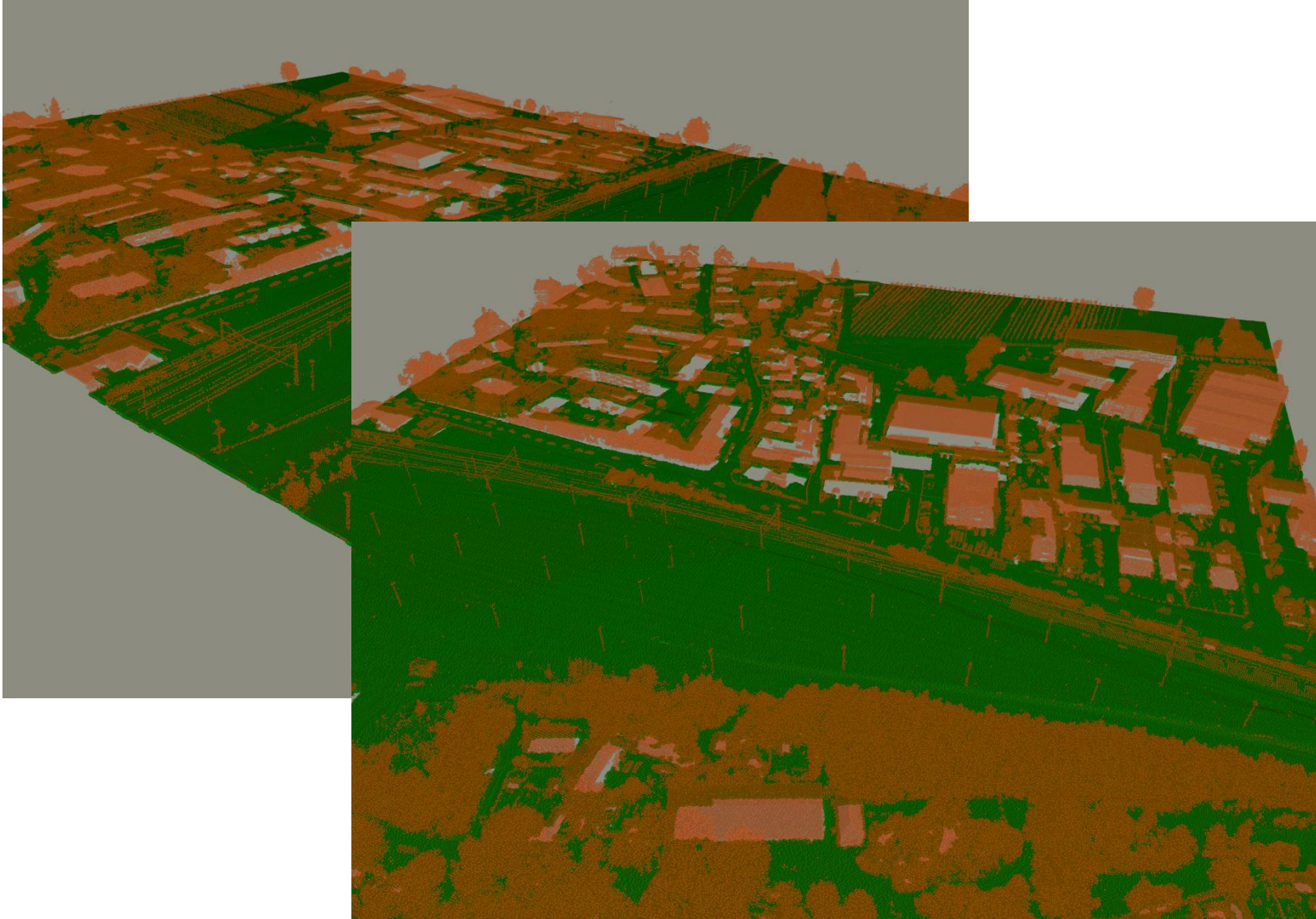
### Terrain classification

- Rasterization of point cloud: deepest point & average reflectance per raster cell
- Raster cells are marked, that do not fit a specific height criteria → remaining raster cells used as seed cells for terrain classification
- Based on seed cells remaining raster cells evaluated: raster cells classified as terrain, if height difference smaller than an arbitrary value & planarity of raster cell greater than an arbitrary value → remaining cells marked as unclassified
- Raster cell classification transferred to point cloud
- Manual correction of automated results



## Step 2) Point cloud classification

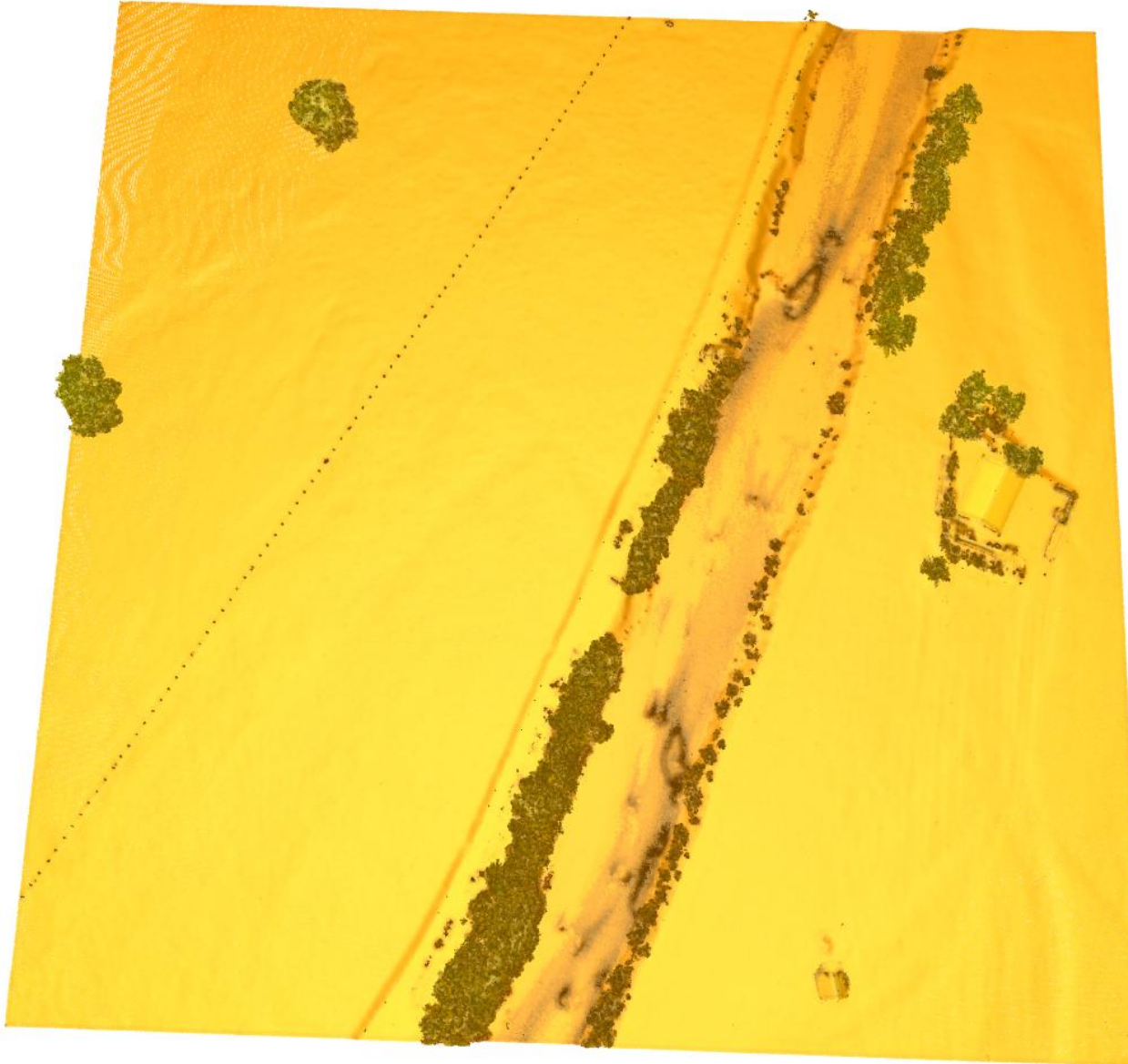
### Terrain classification





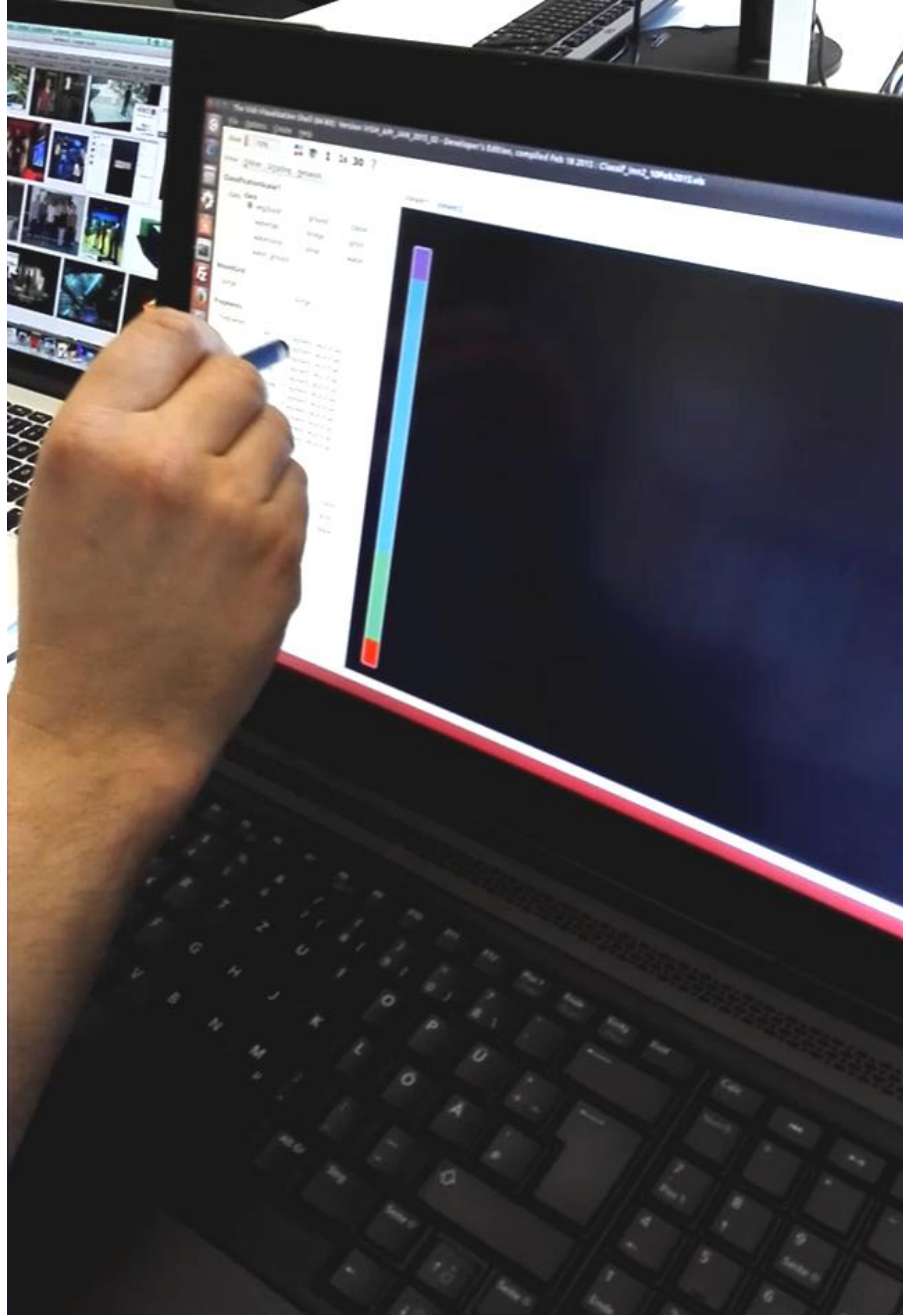
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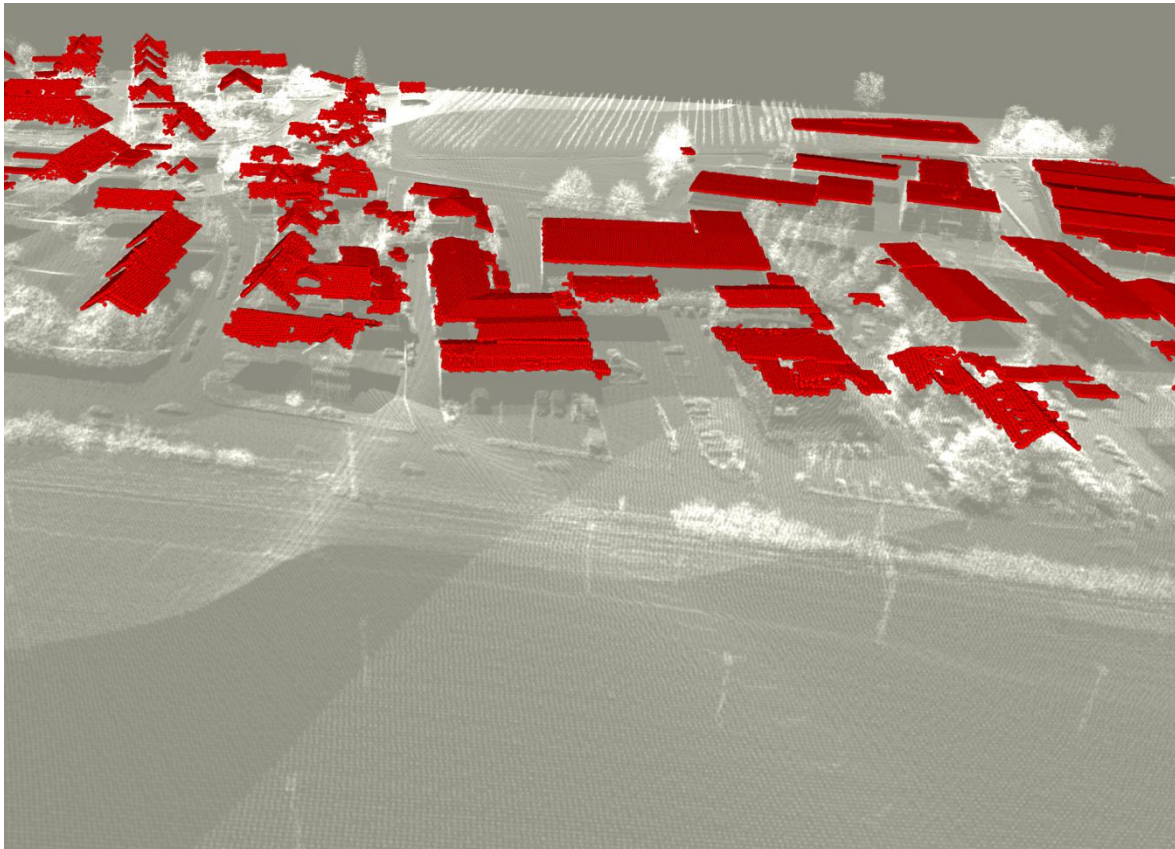
Advanced manual  
pointcloud correction  
(touch&gesture handling)



## Step 2) Point cloud classification

### Building & roof classification (under continued development)

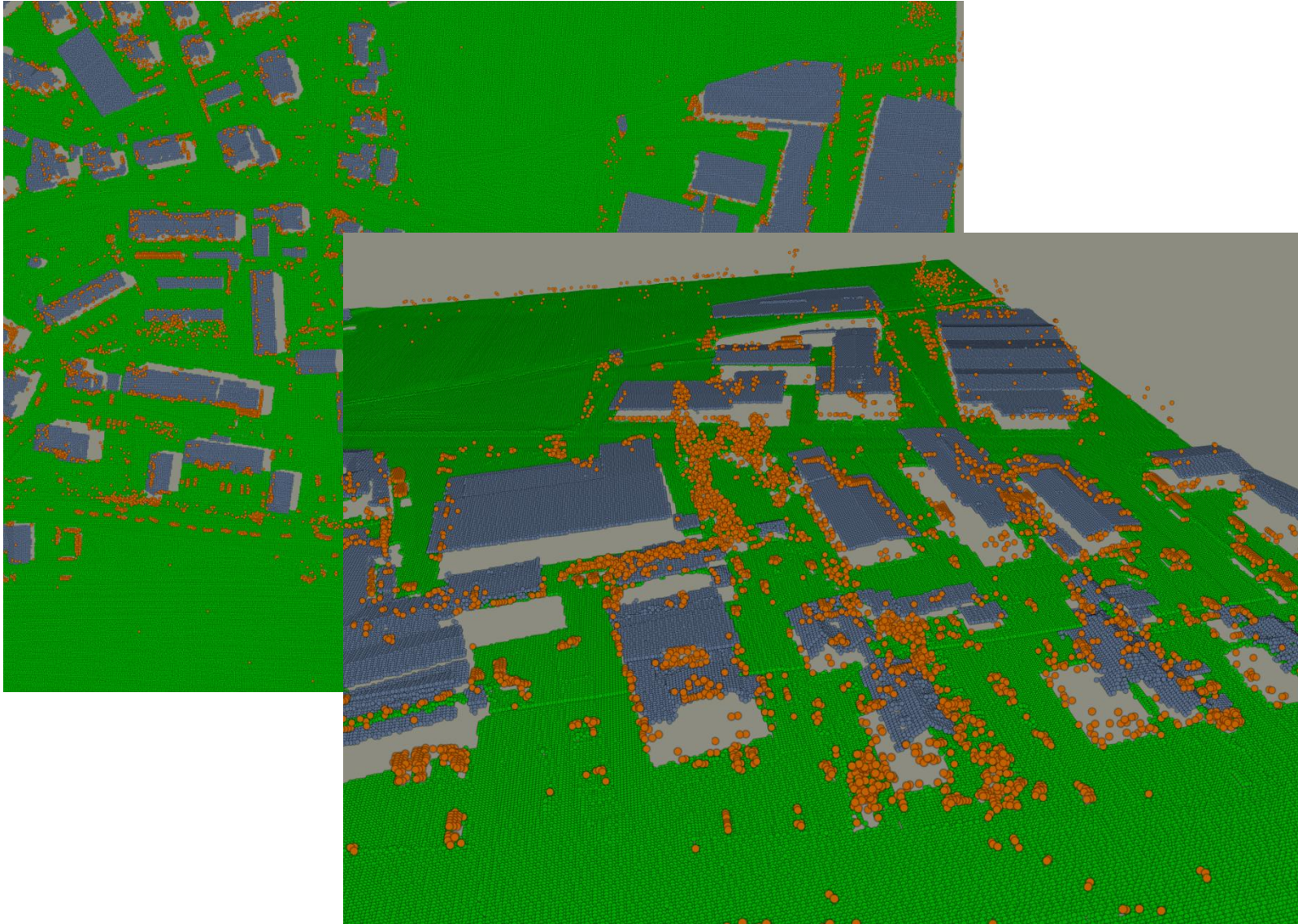
- Unclassified points left after terrain classification further analysed according to planarity characteristics
- Further separation into buildings and vegetation/rest





## Step 2) Point cloud classification

### Building & roof classification

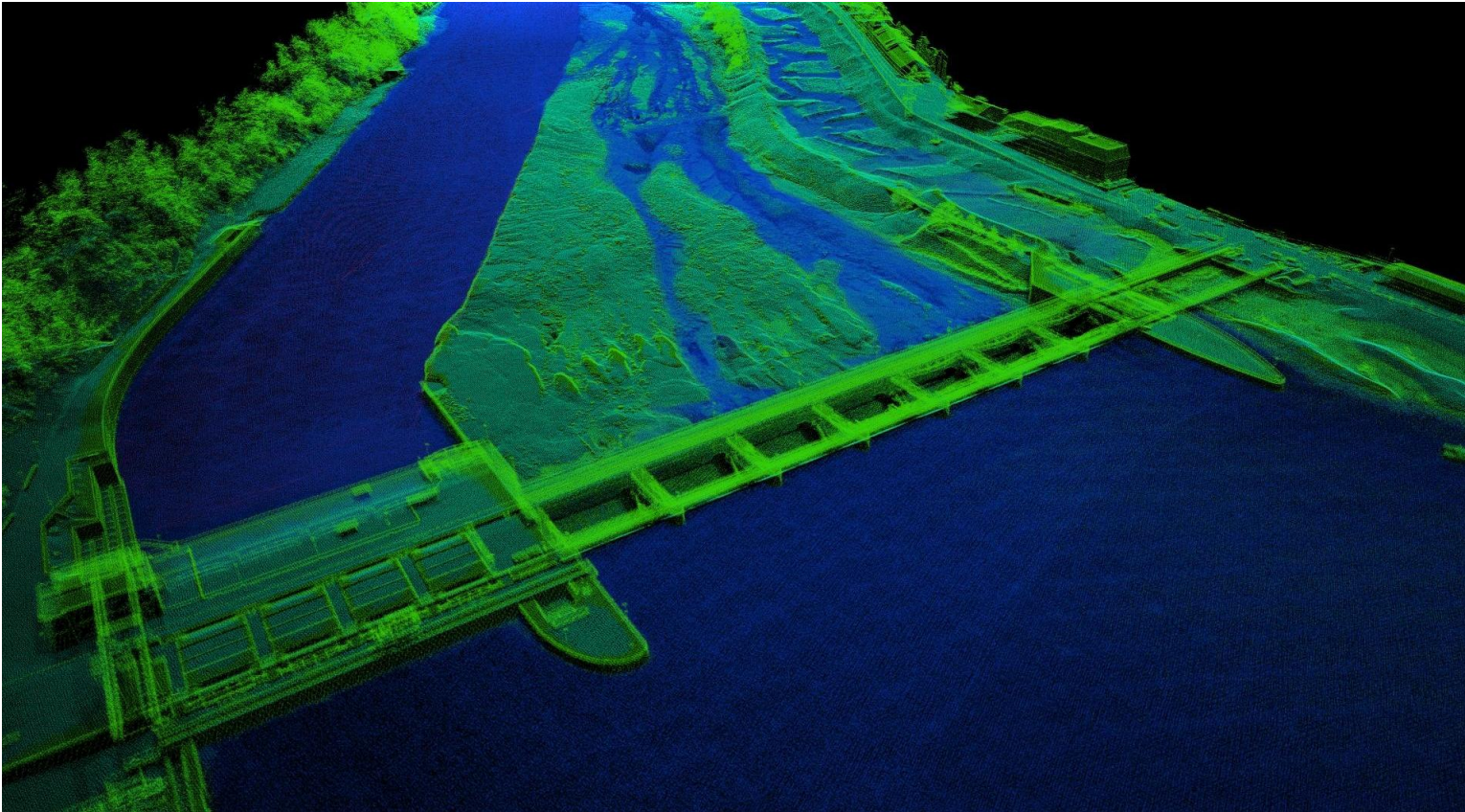




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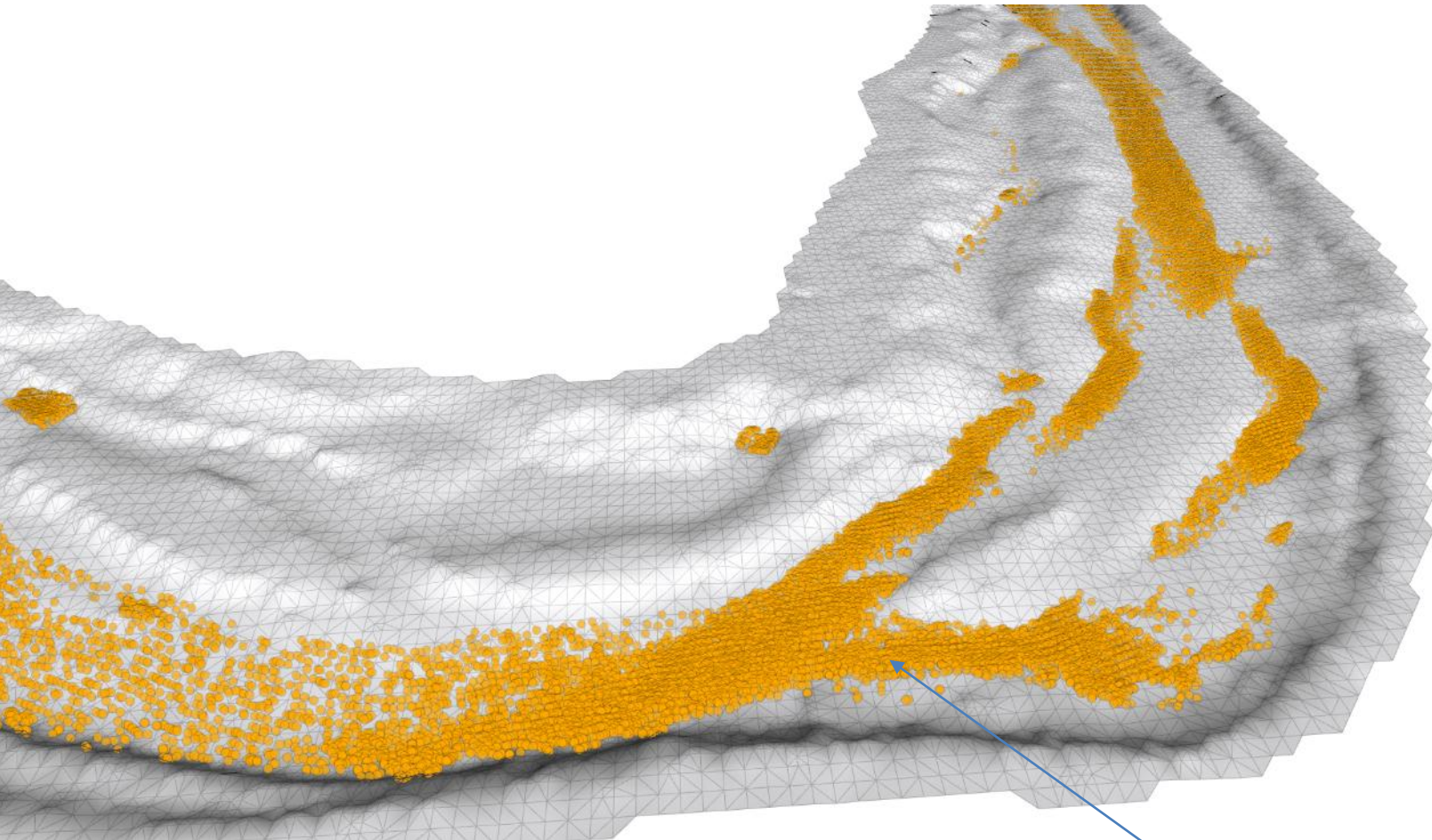
### Water surface classification (under continued development)

- Rasterization of point cloud: deepest point & average reflectance per raster cell
- Average reflectance used to detect water surface together with planarity characteristics



## Step 3) Water surface modelling

- Based on points classified as water surface

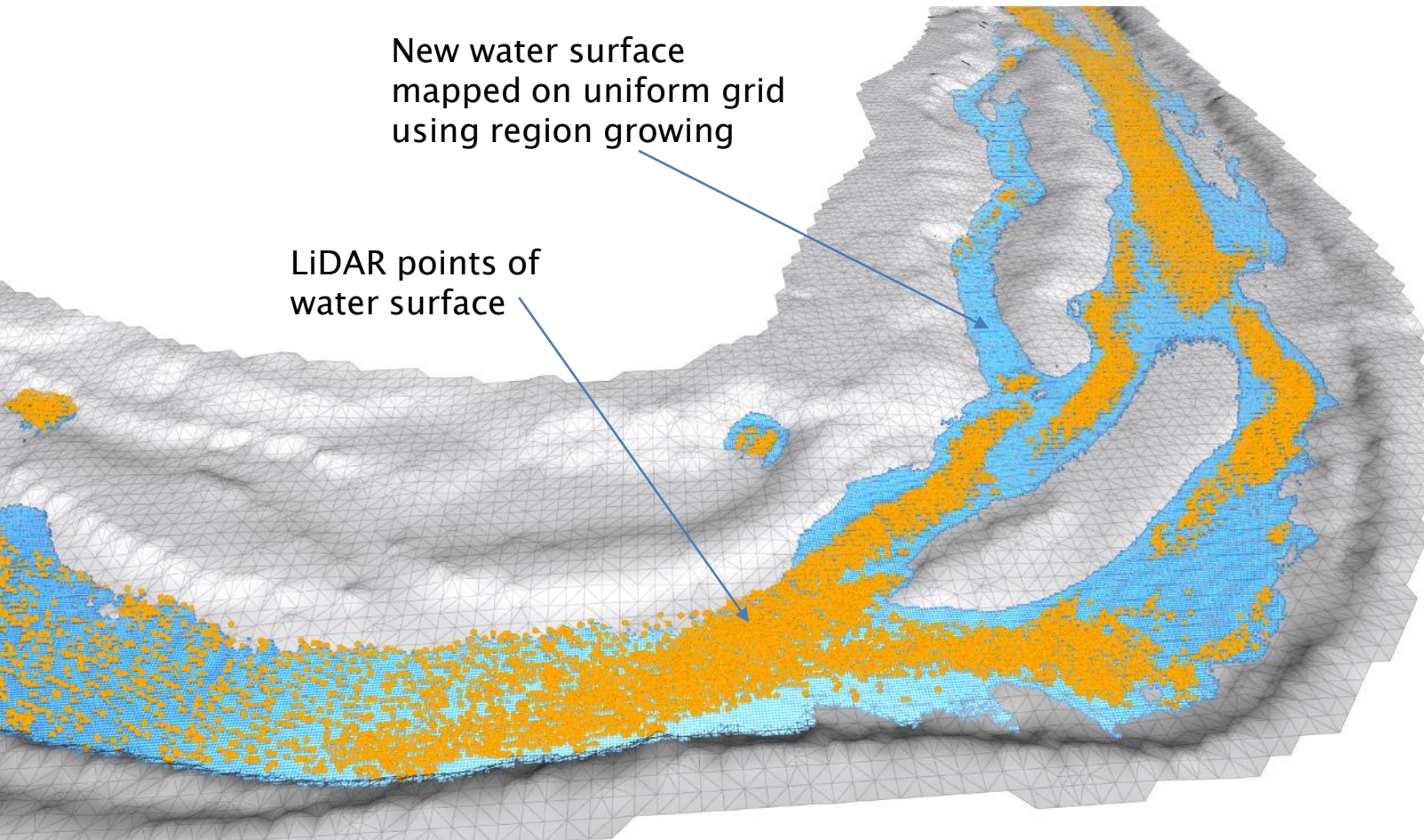


LiDAR points of water surface



## Step 3) Water surface modelling

- New water surface by region growing on raster until water–land boundary



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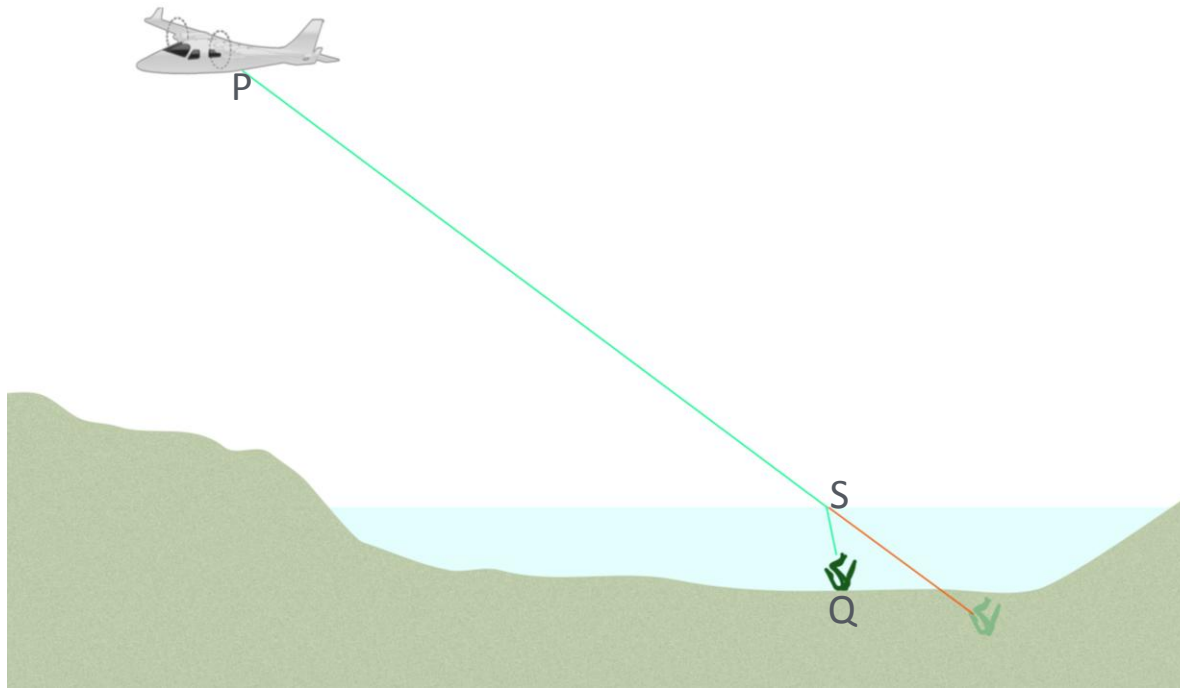
- Waves need to be included in water surface model

Detecting of water surface waves

\* More detail given in  
talk of Mr W. Dobler!

## Step 4) Refraction

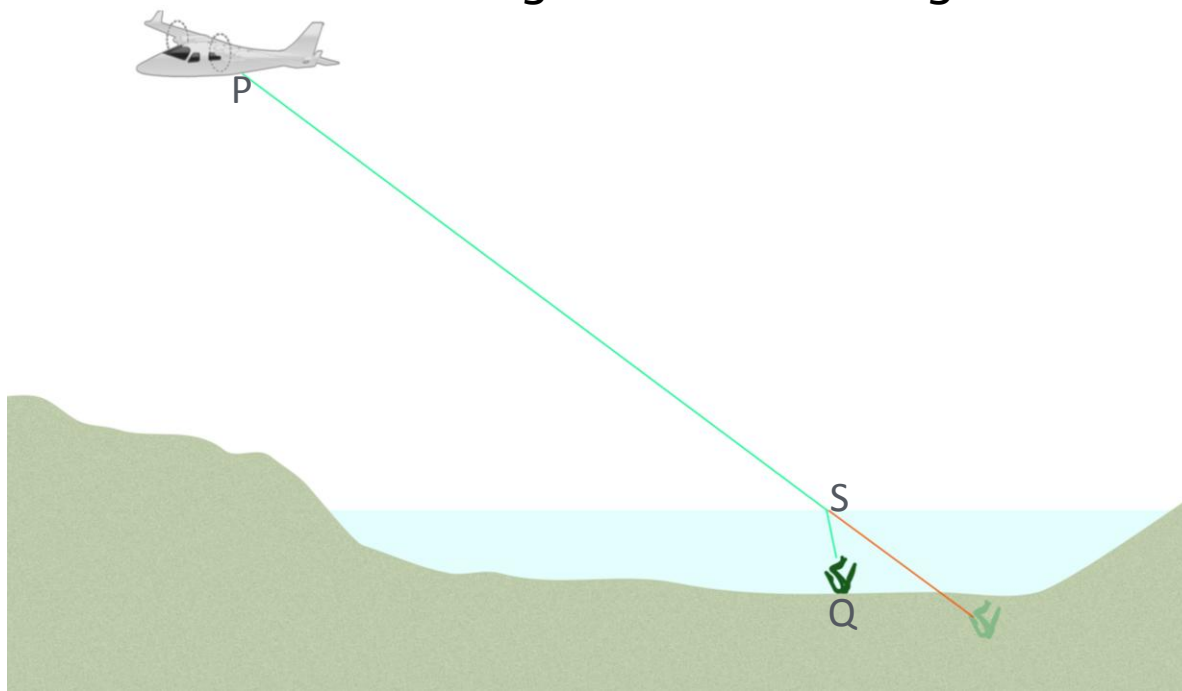
- Correcting positions of under water points
- Input:
  - 1) point cloud with timestamp for each point
  - 2) water table as triangulated shape
  - 3) flight trajectory with timestamp for each point



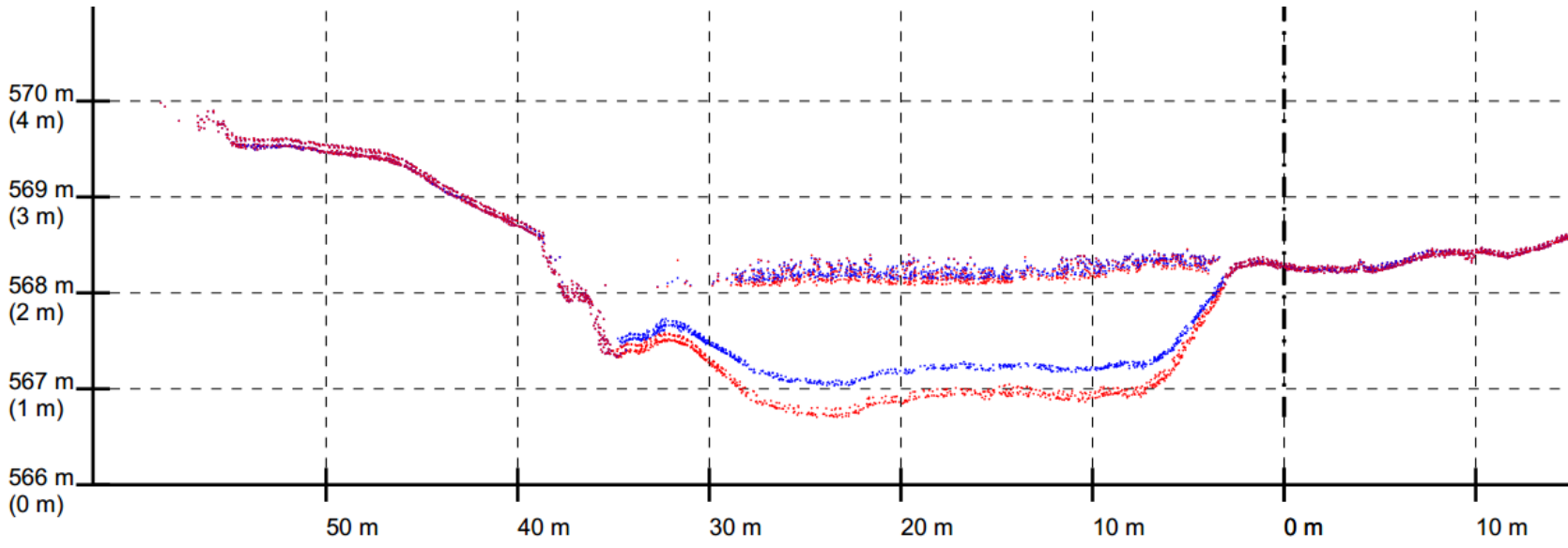


## Step 4) Refraction

- Investigating a pair of points with matching timestamp (P of point cloud & Q of trajectory) & vector linking these two
- Calculation of point where beam P–Q intersects water table S (possible to adjust value by offset due to delay first echo)
- Calculation of beam's entry angle → correction of beam considering angle of refraction
- Calculation of beam length S–P under water → time delay correction of beam's running time considering refraction index



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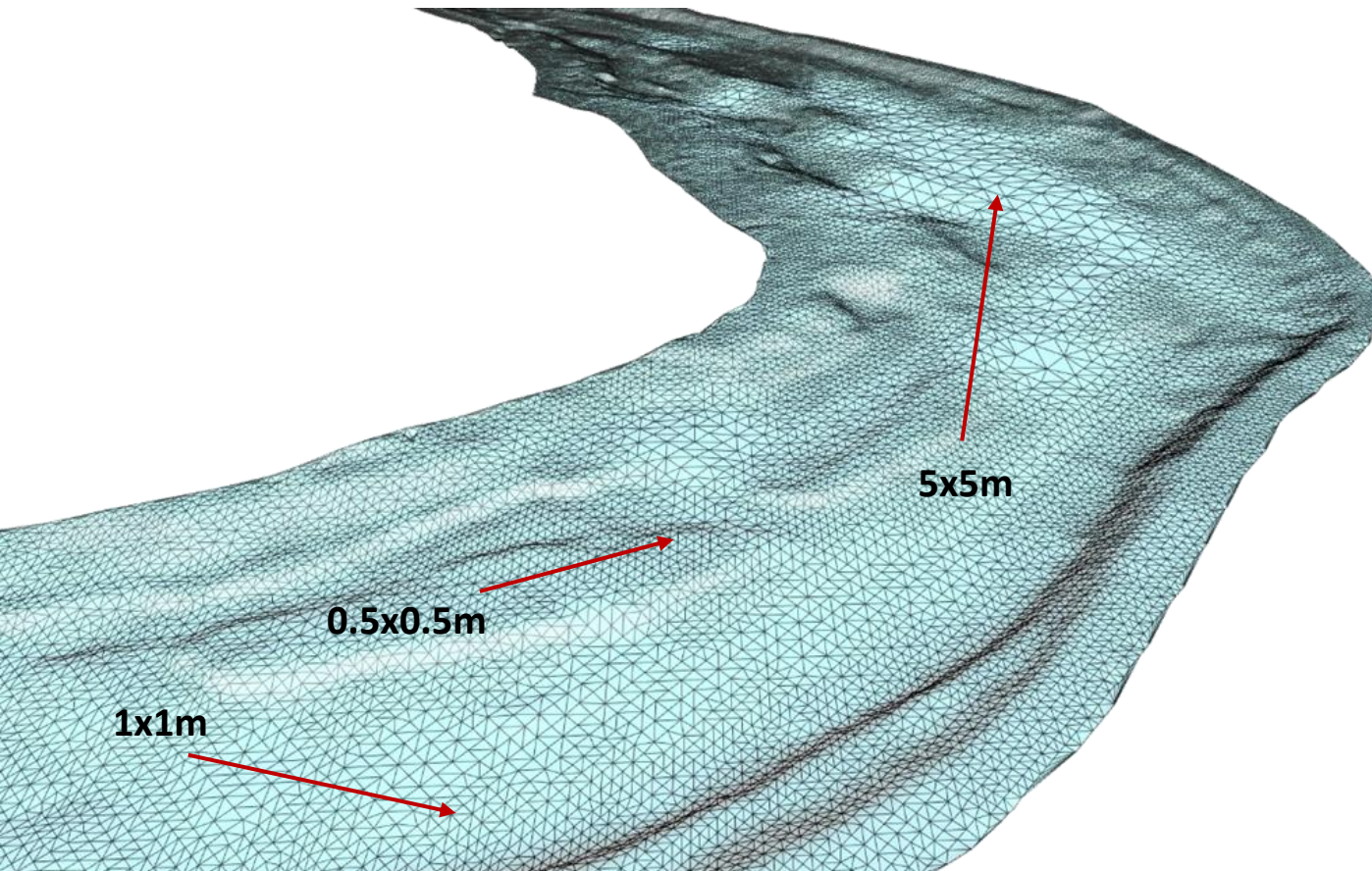




# Step 5) Digital Models

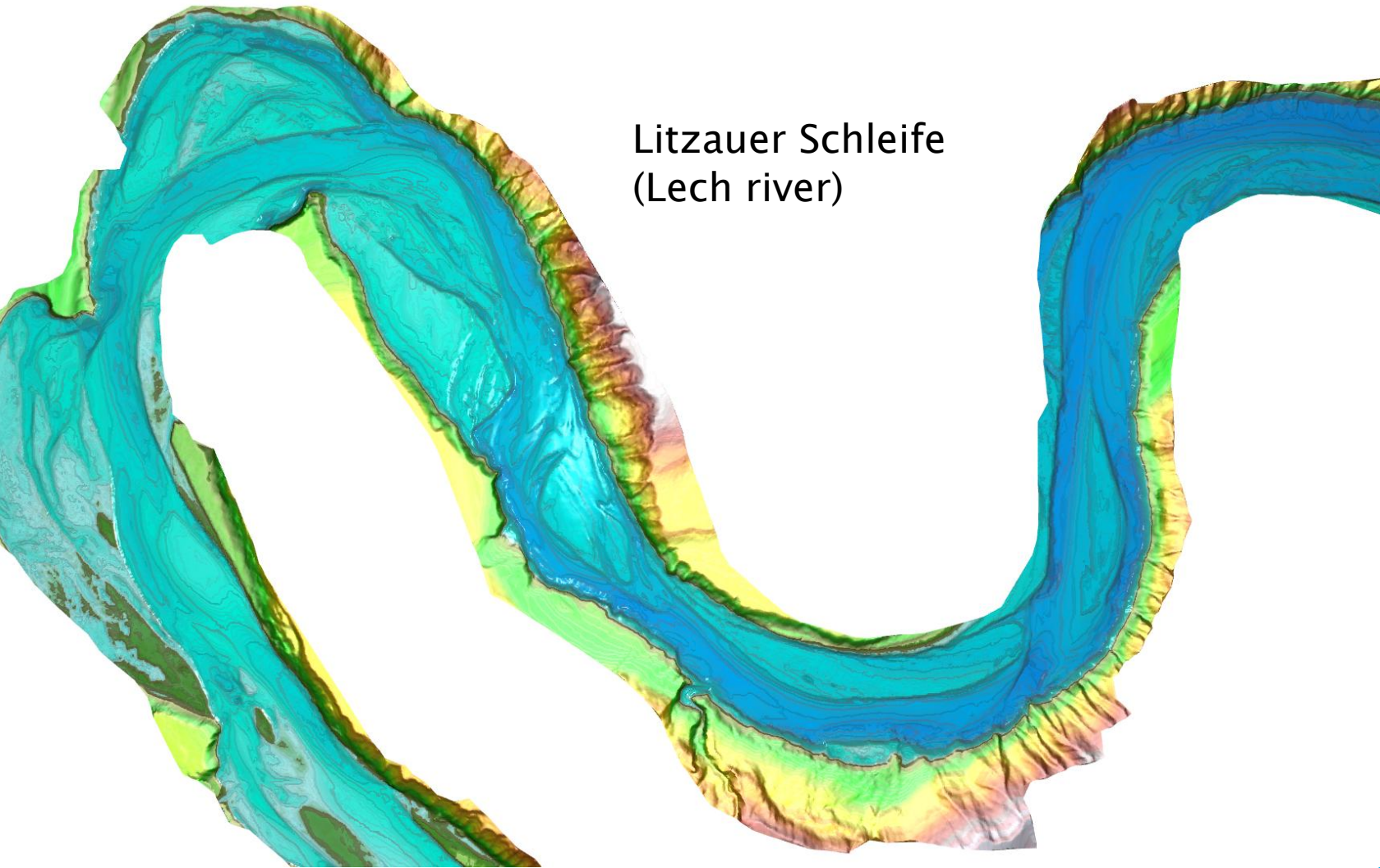
## Digital terrain models

- Triangulation based on variable grid size: reduce amount of data without losing geometrical information
- Regular grids: 0.5 x 0.5 m, 1 x 1 m ...



## Step 5) Digital Models

Digital terrain models (with contour lines)

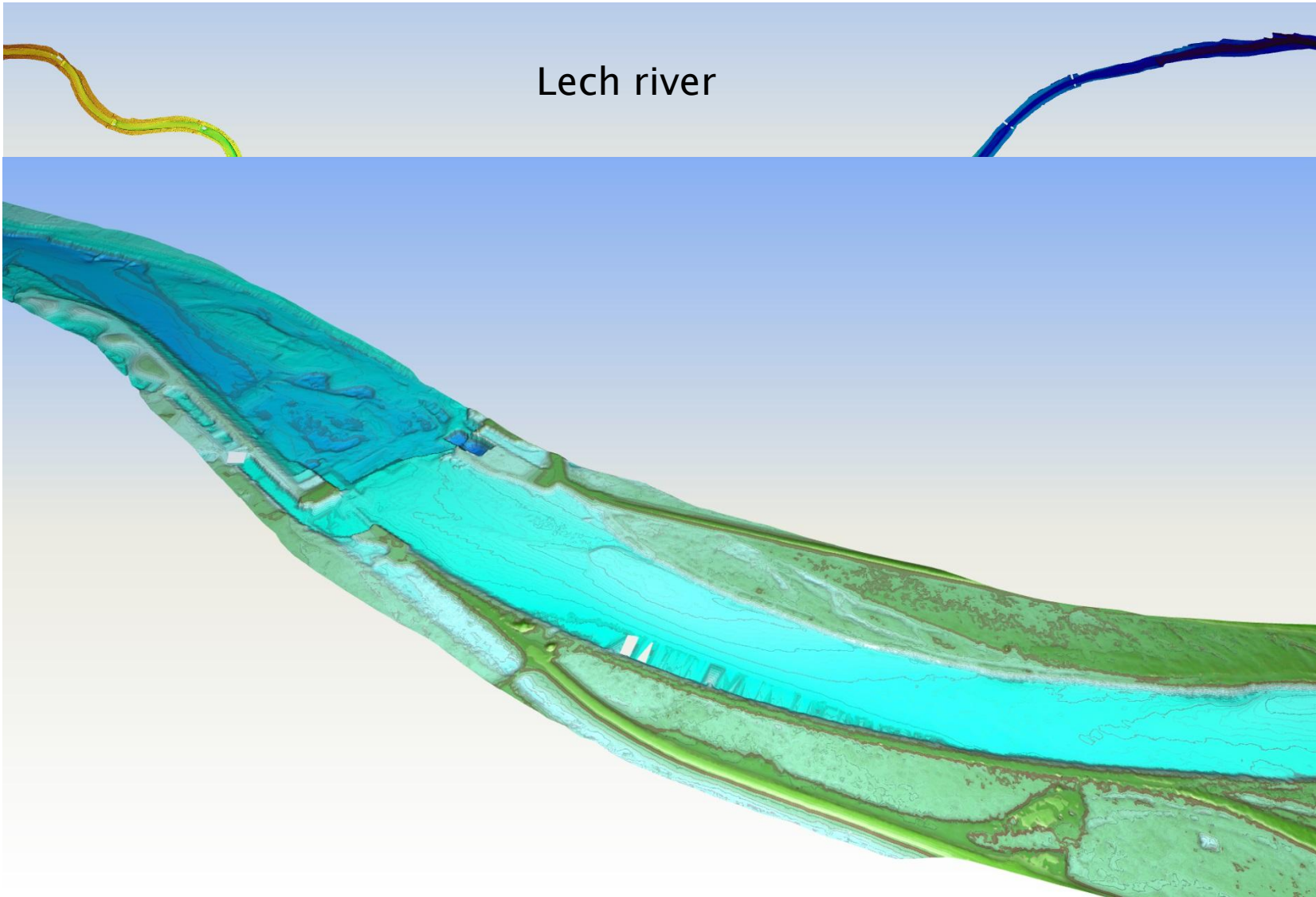




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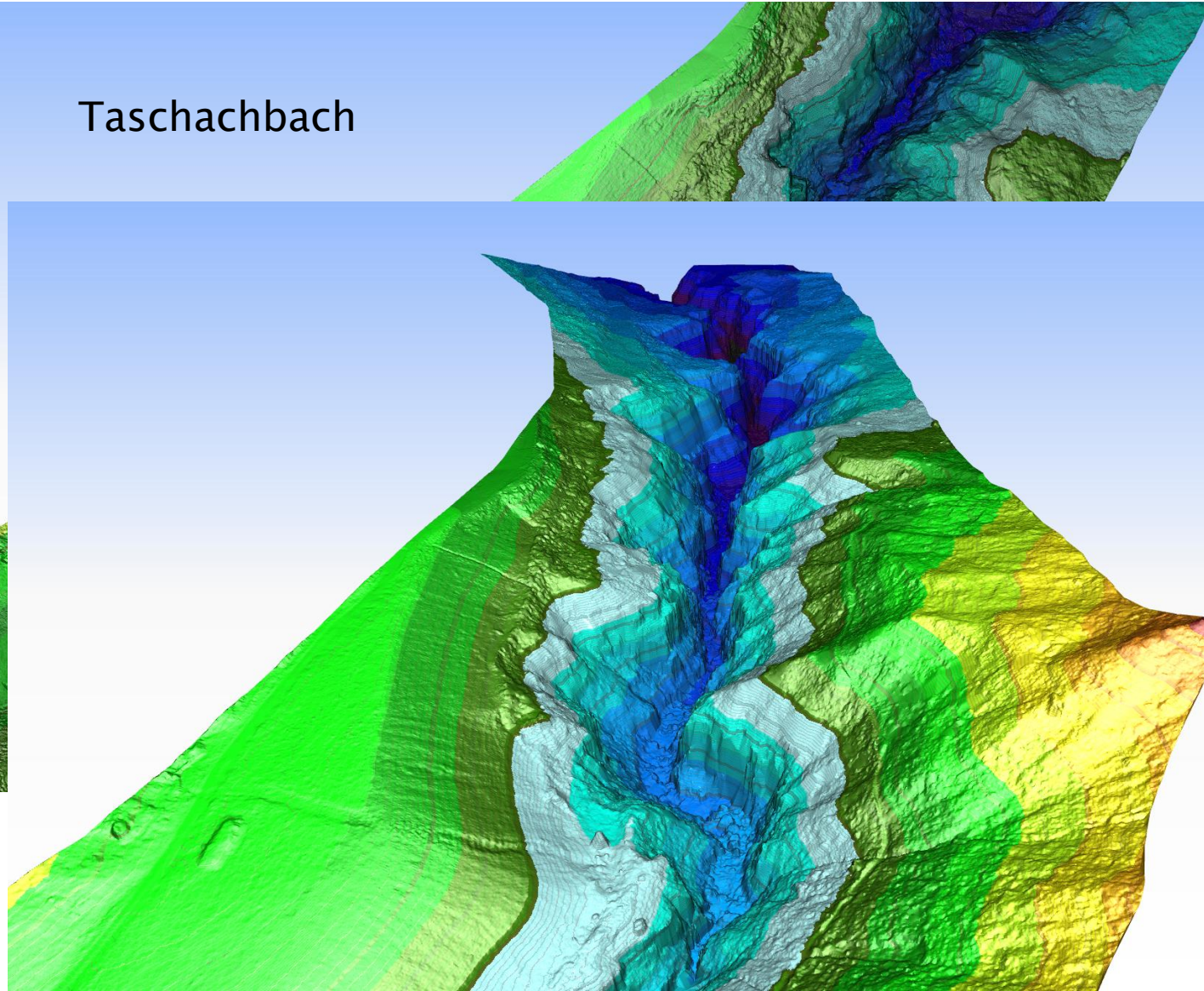
Lech river



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### Digital terrain models (with contour lines)

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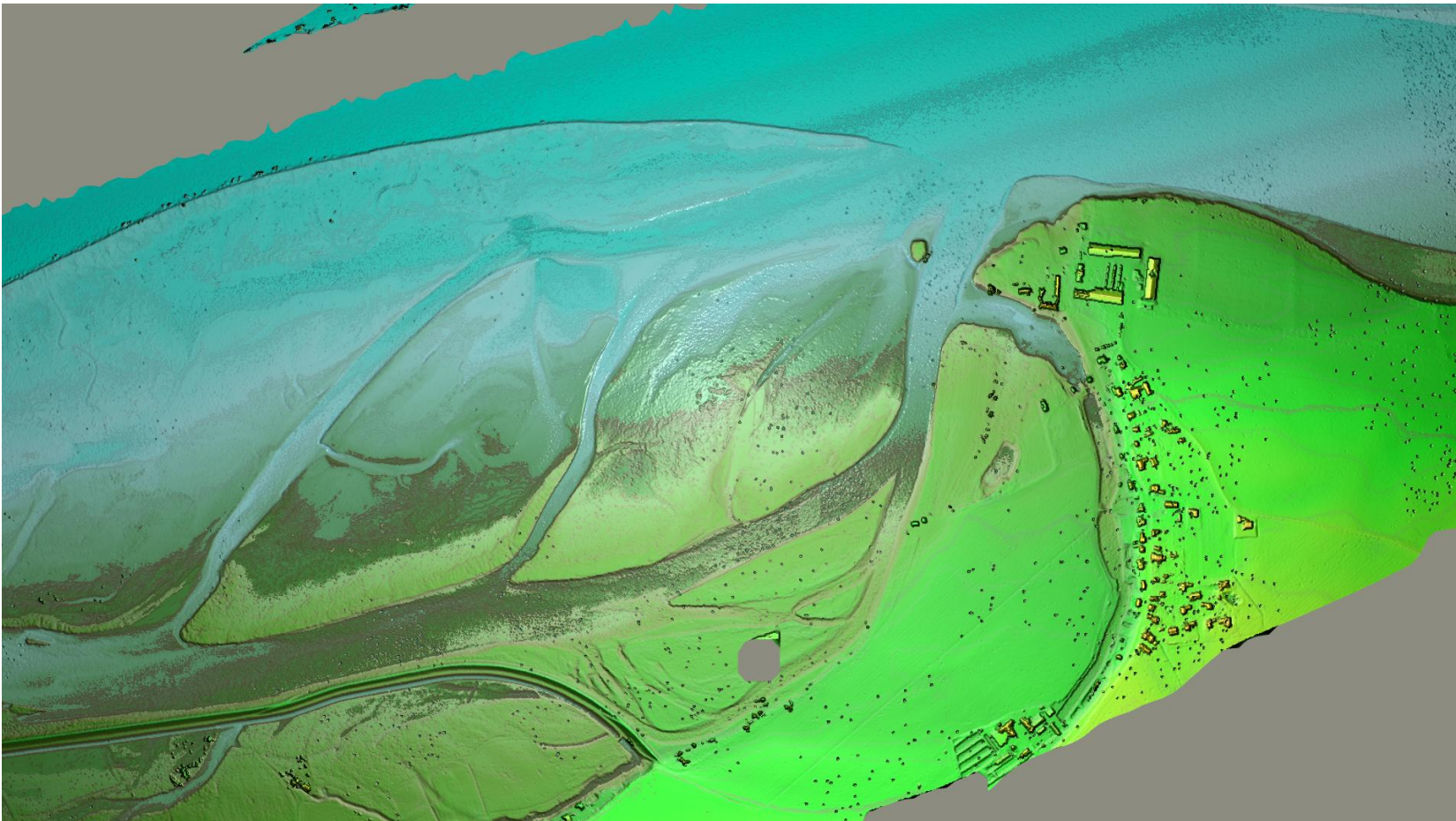




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## Digital surface models

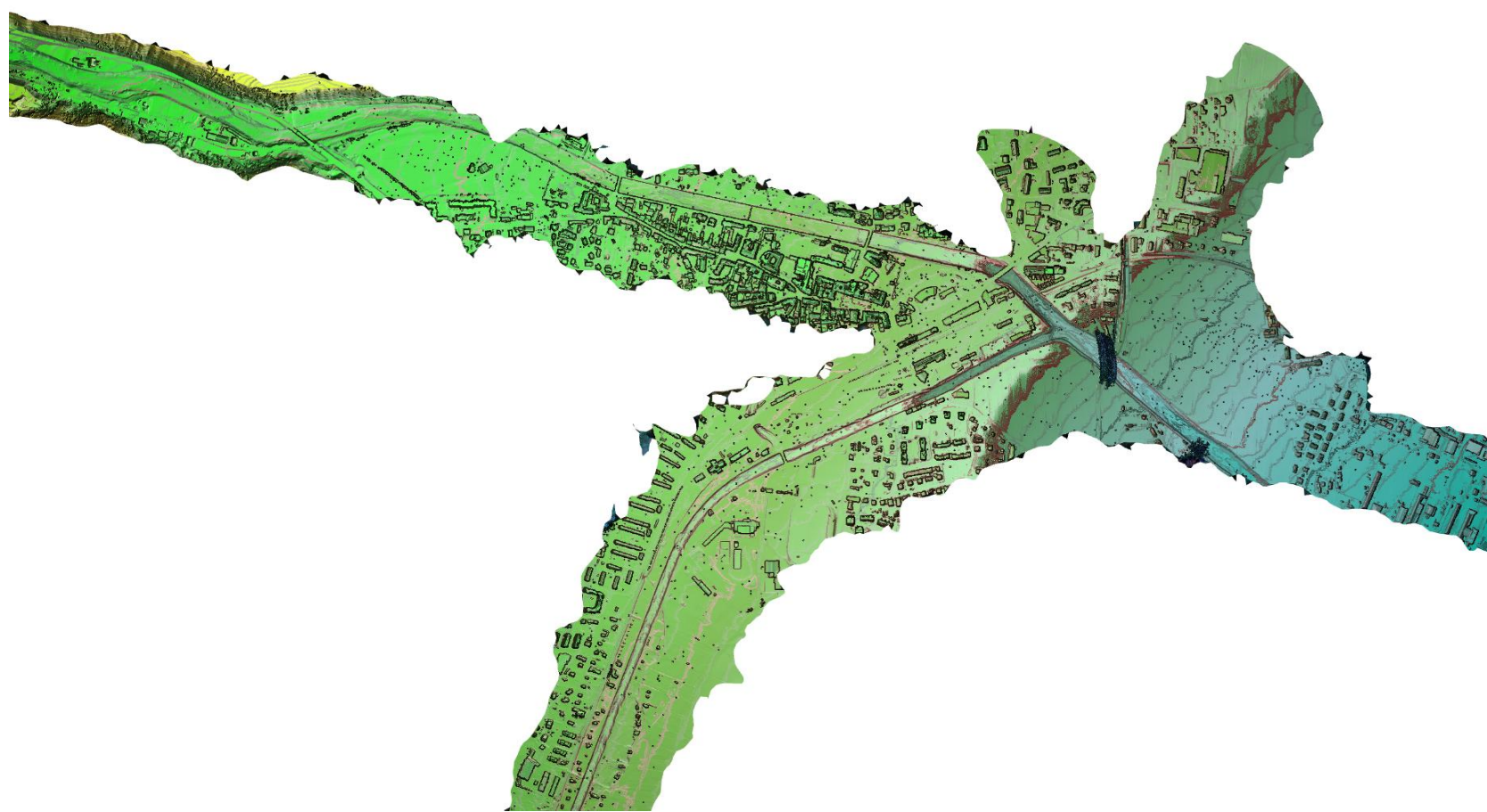
### Hagenauer Bucht (Inn river)



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## Digital surface models

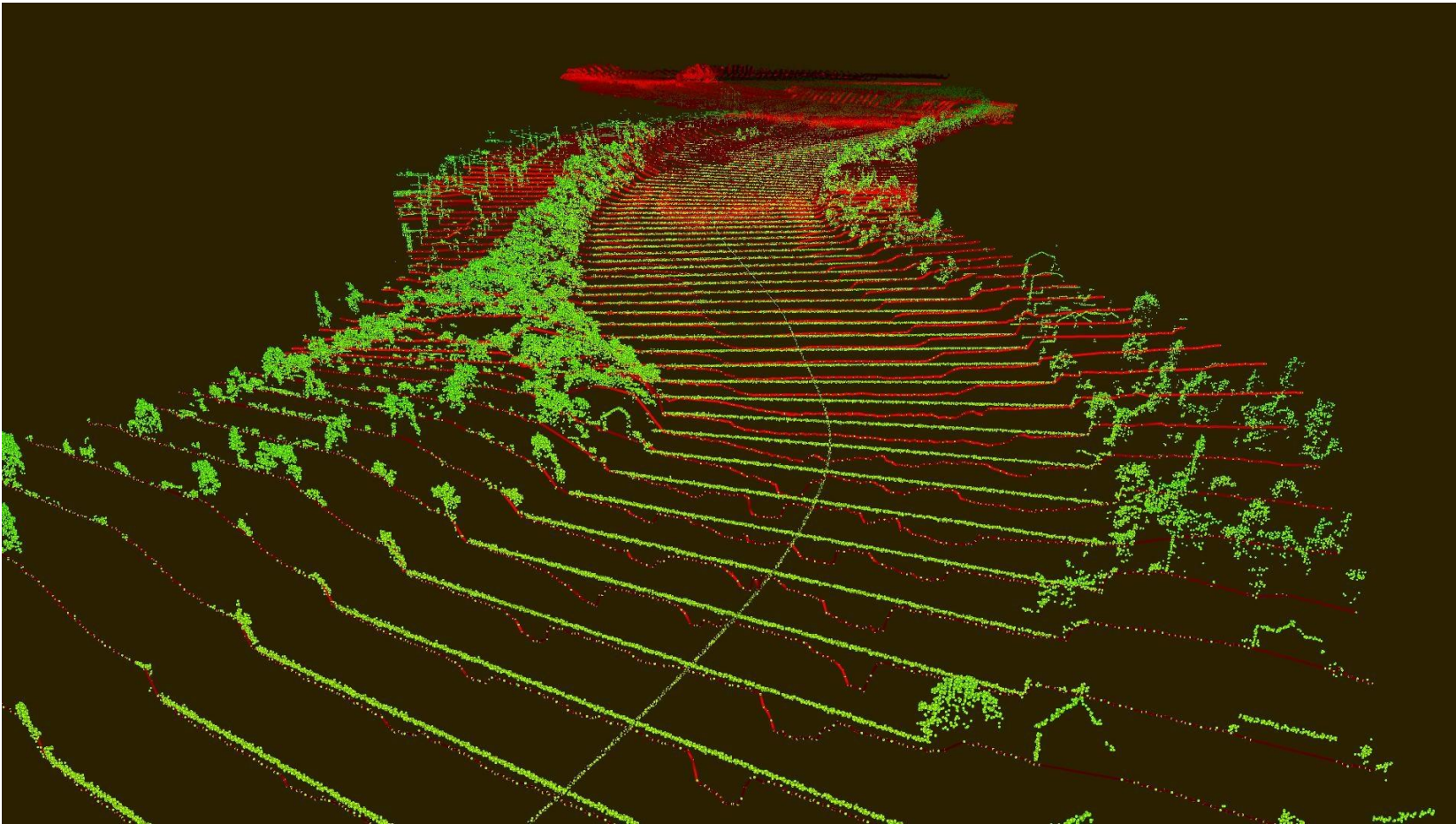
Drau river





## Step 6) Cross-sections

- Defining river axis and computation of cross-sections





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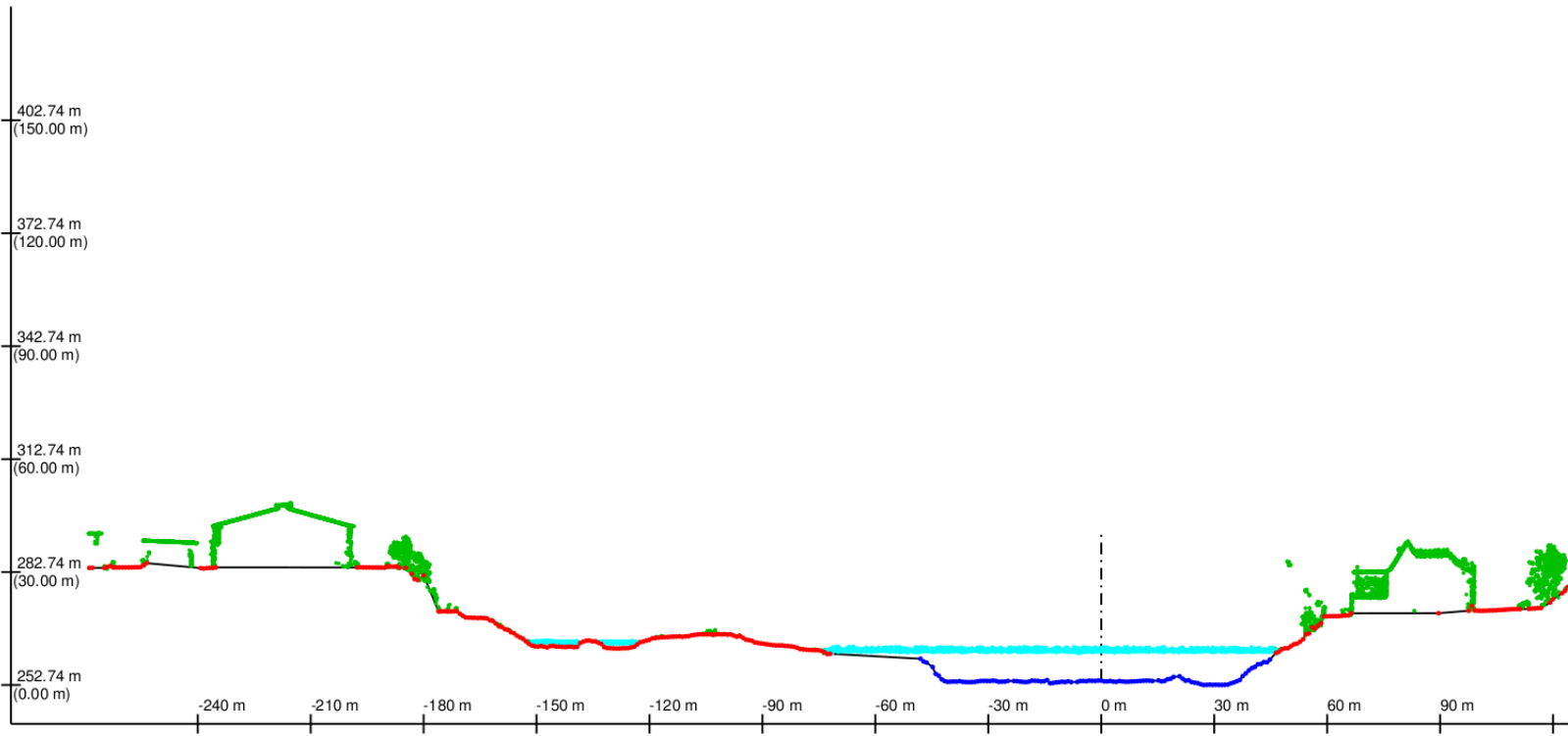
– Different types of cross-sections: points from point cloud



Rheinfelden

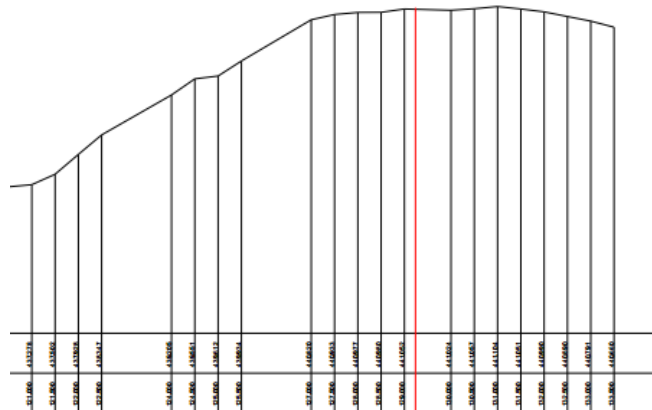
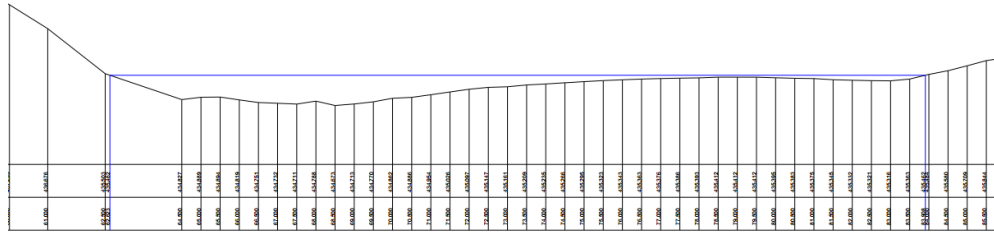
Number: 68  
Kilometrage: 1.749 km  
Date: 28.04.2012  
Scaler: 1.55  
Exaggeration factor: 1.25 (height)

- Cross-section
- - - River-axis
- Terrain
- Vegetation
- Water surface
- Echolot



# Step 6) Cross-sections

- Different types of cross-sections: vectorized profiles





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