

# Final presentation

## 3D Matching of TerraSAR-X Derived Ground Control Points to Mobile Mapping Data

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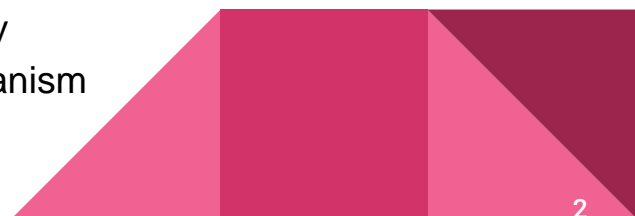
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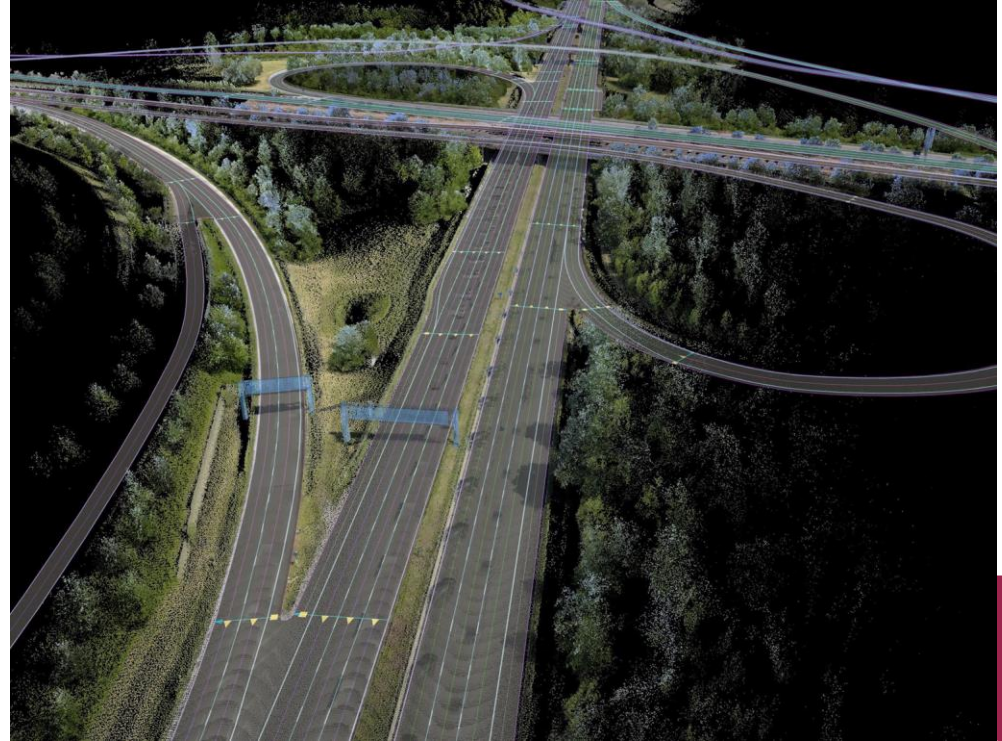


# Outline

- Background & Problem Definition
- LiDAR Segmentation and Classification
- Extraction of Pole Control Points (PCPs) for matching
- Matching of PCPs and Ground Control Points (GCPs)
- Conclusion
- Demonstration of Prototype

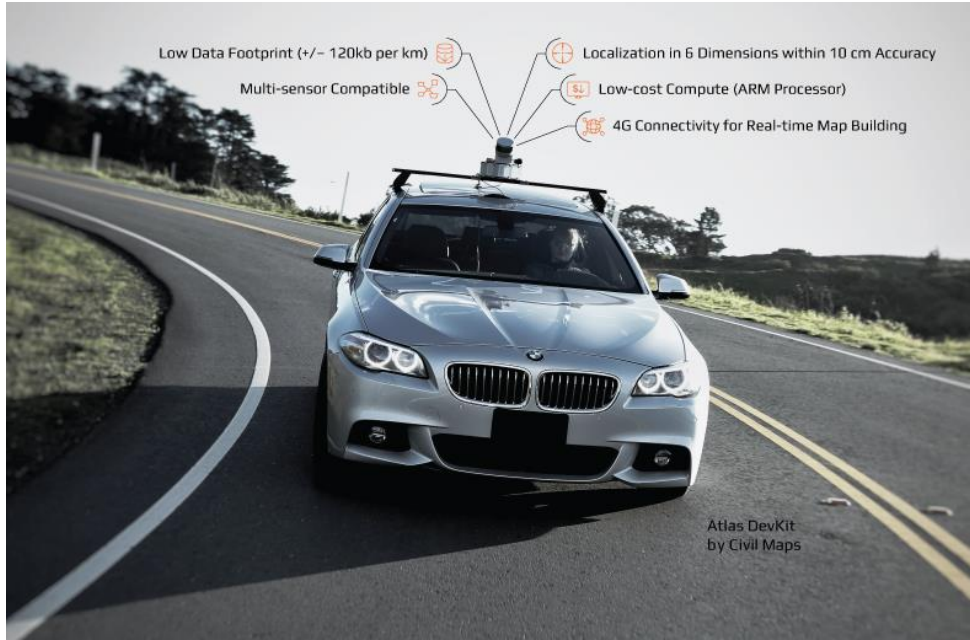
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- Provide HD Maps for highly automated driving



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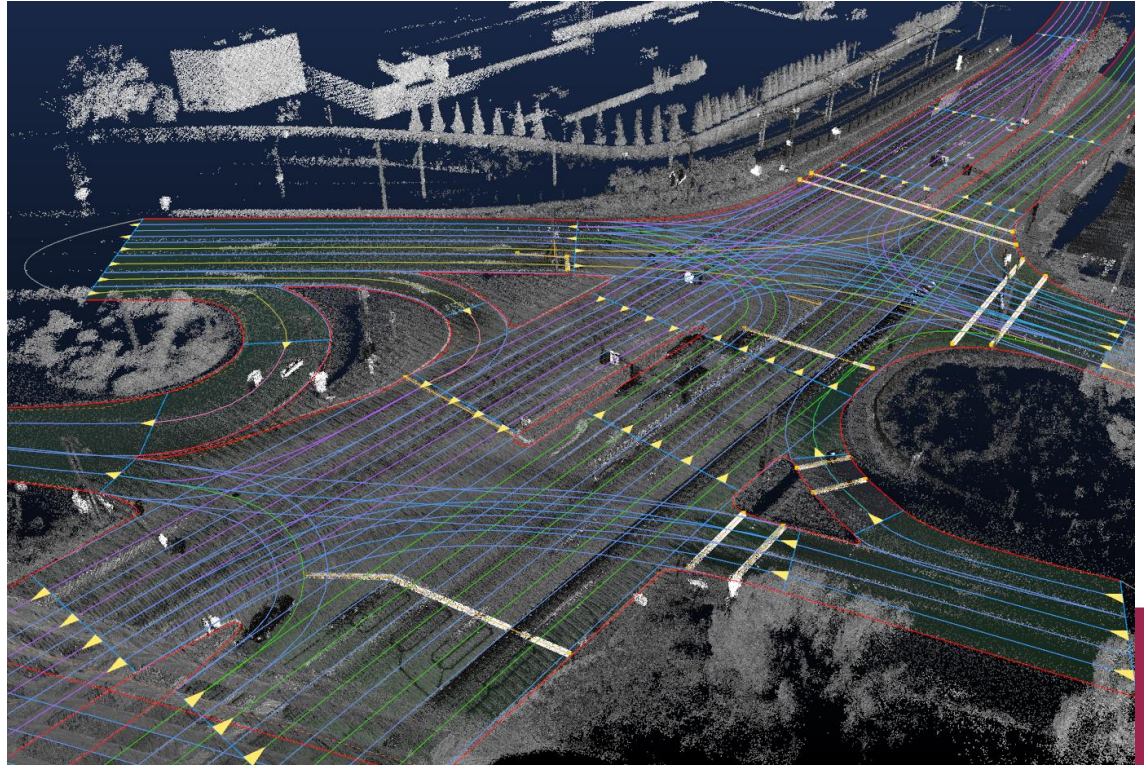
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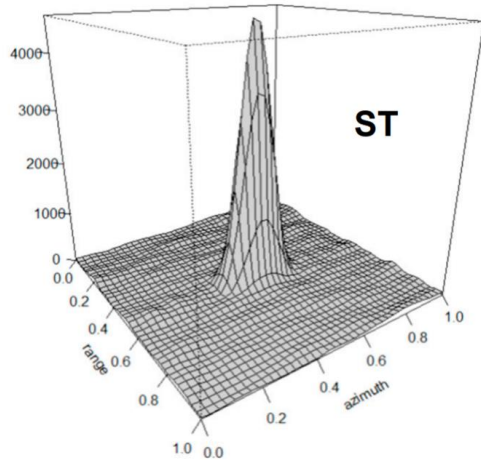
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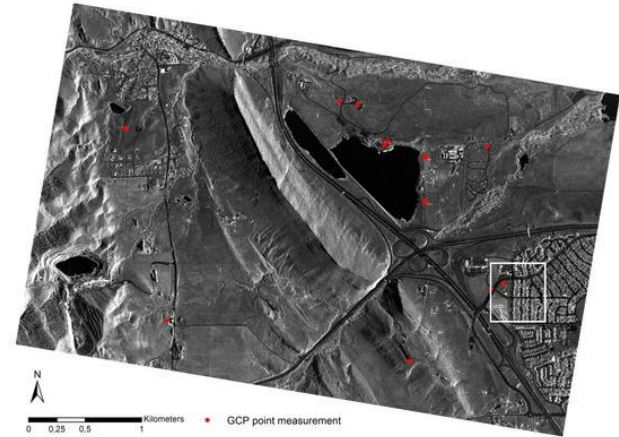
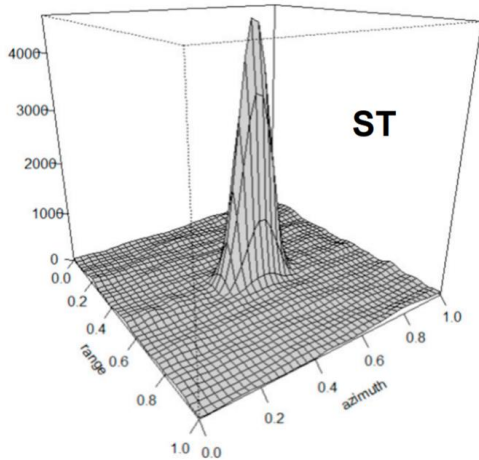
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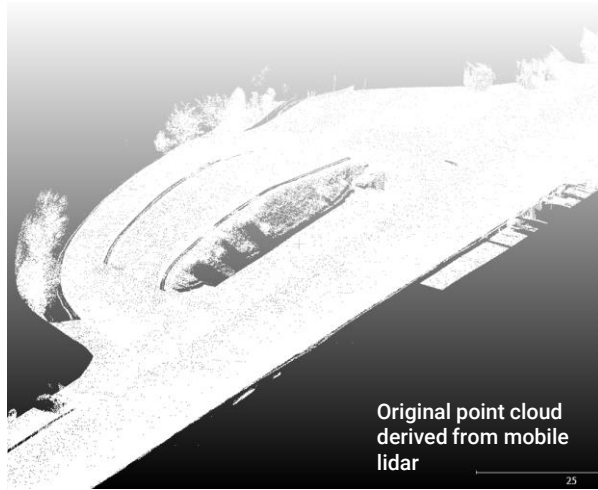
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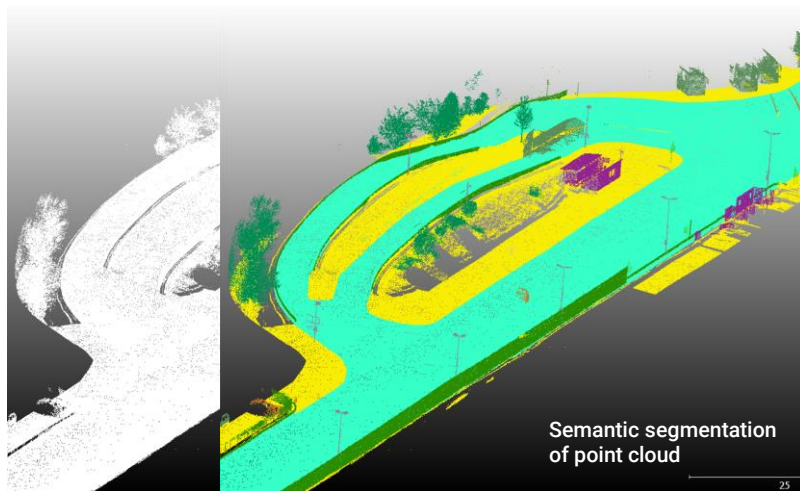
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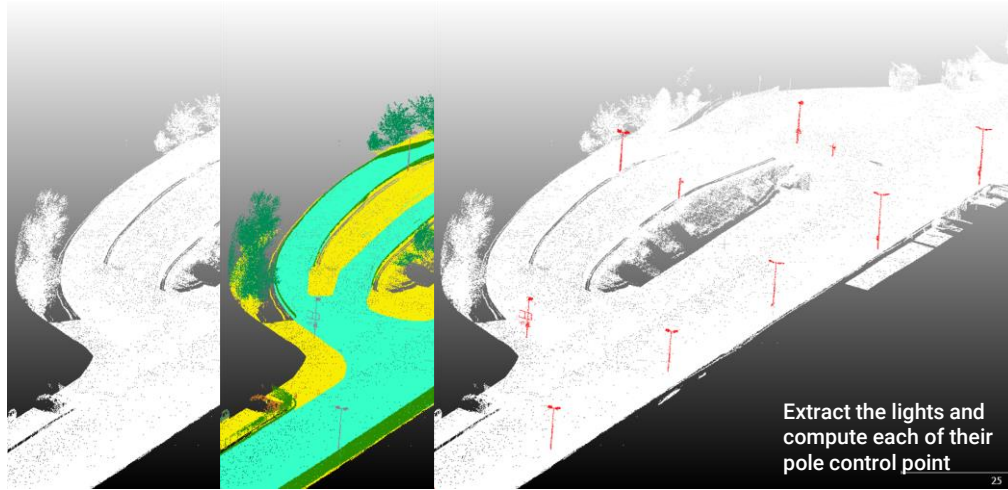
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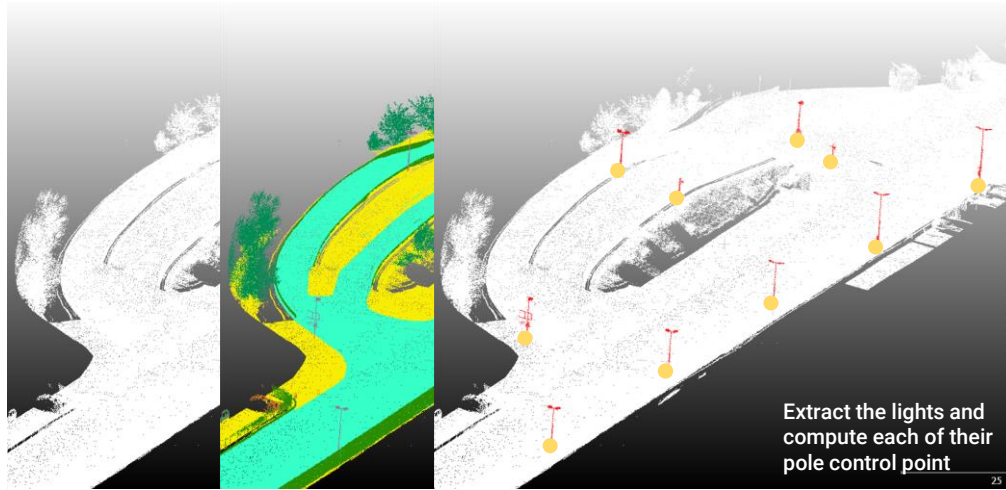
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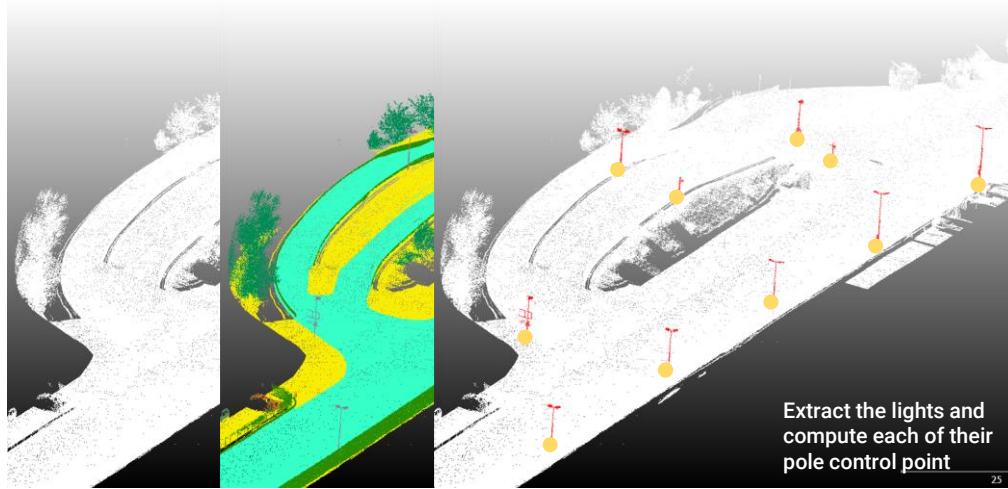
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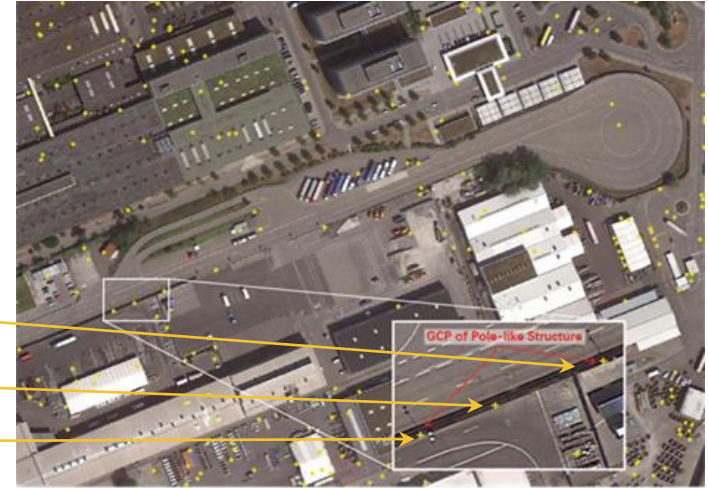
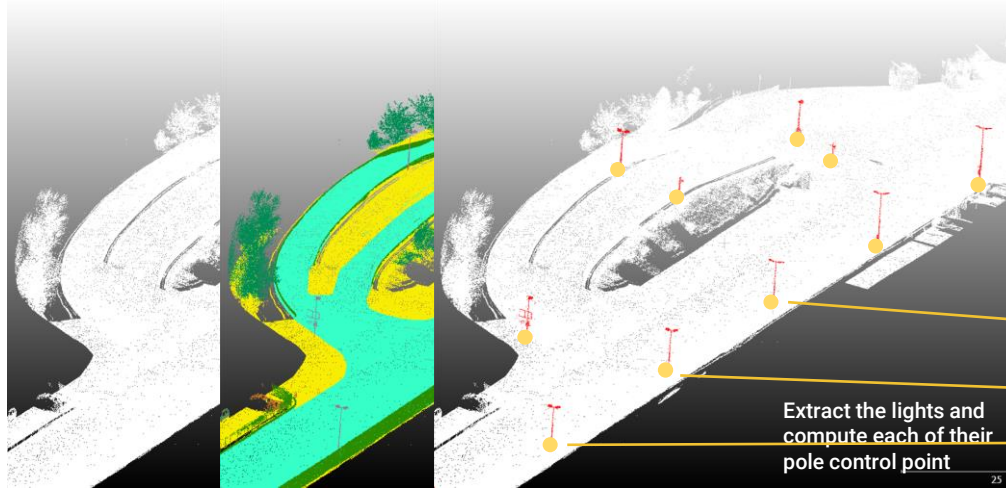
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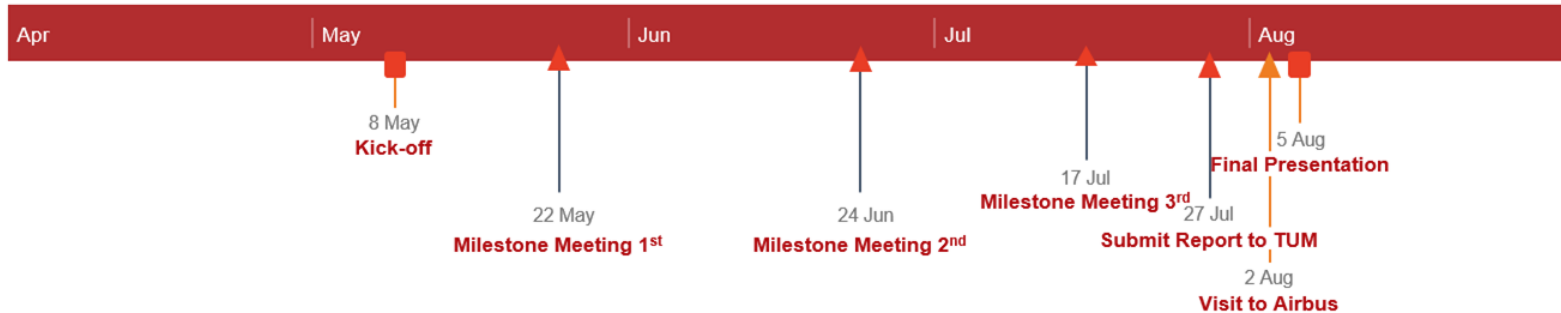
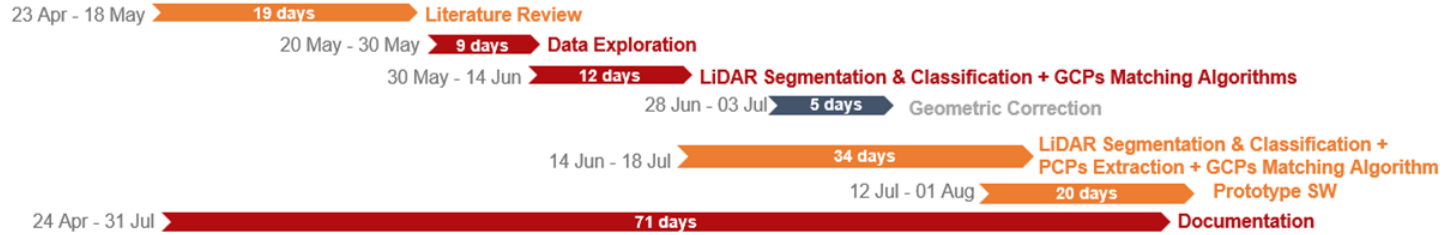
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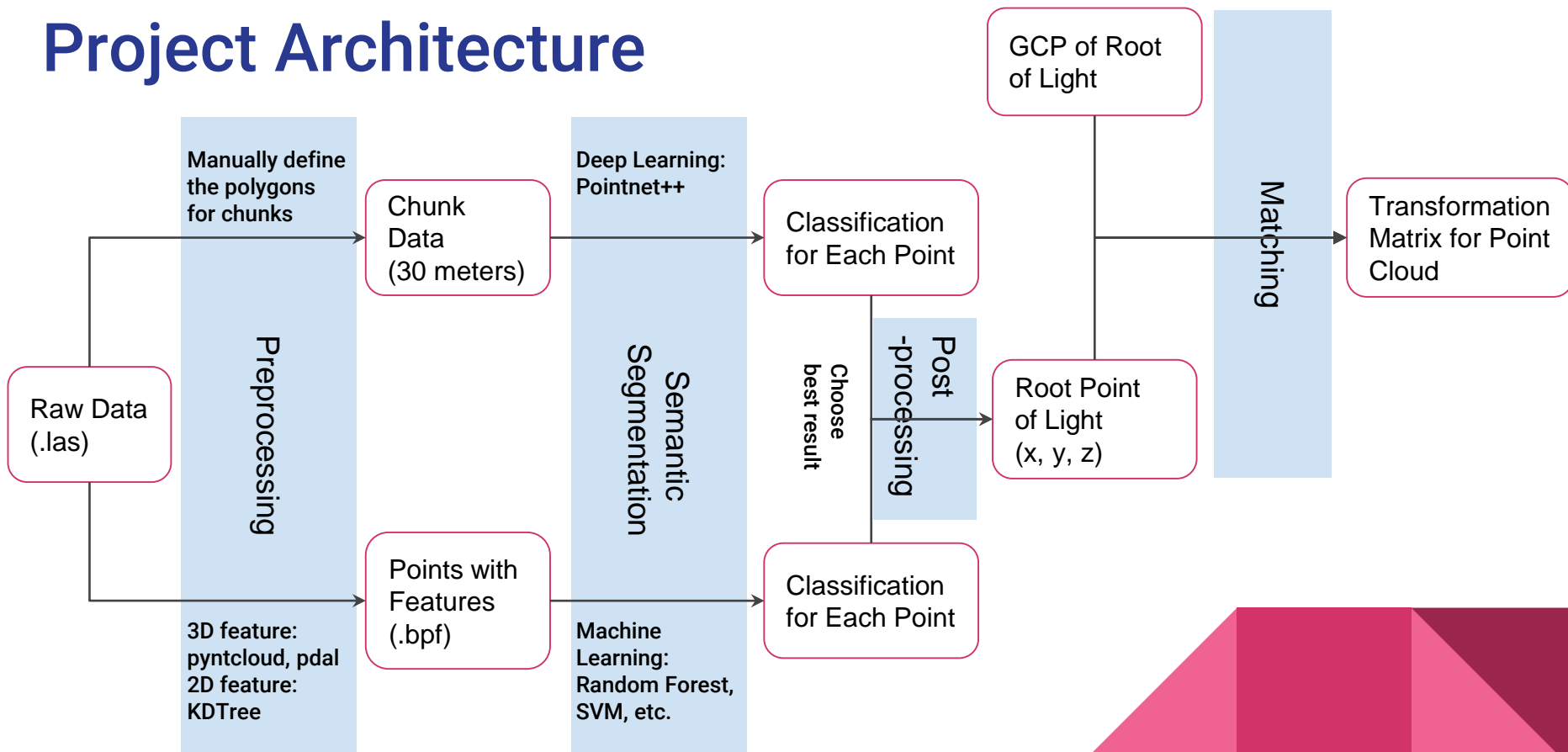
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# Project Plan





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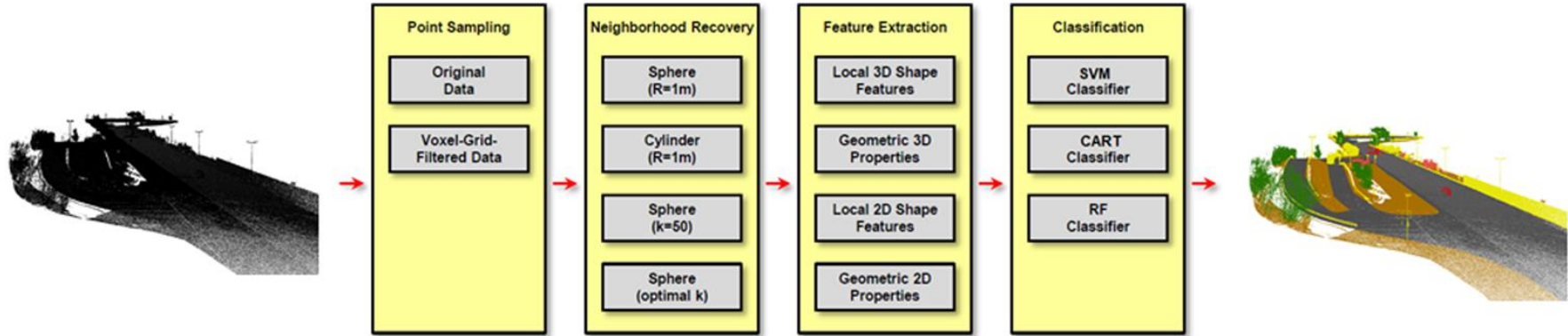
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## Point Clouds Complexity

<i>Dataset Name</i>	<i>Number of points</i>	<i>Environment</i>
<i>086b_classified</i>	9,175,355	Urbanized residential area
<i>Werk2_classified_part1</i>	2,044,148	Urbanized industrial area
<i>Werk2_classified_part2</i>	22,043,528	Urbanized industrial area

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- Overview of the methodology



Classic Machine learning architecture for point cloud segmentation

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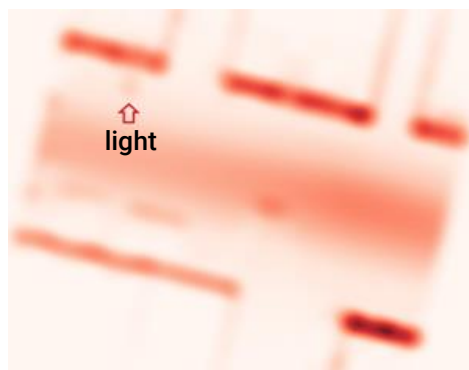
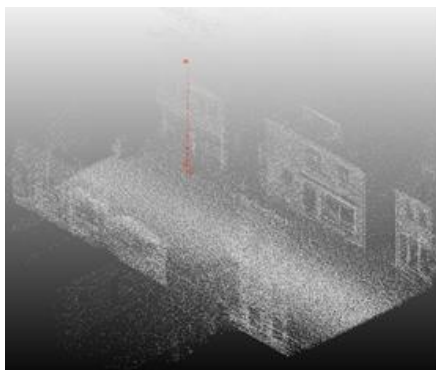
- 2D Feature Selection

Observation:

Artificial objects are often vertically distributed.  
=> Their density is higher than others on 2D plane

Assumption:

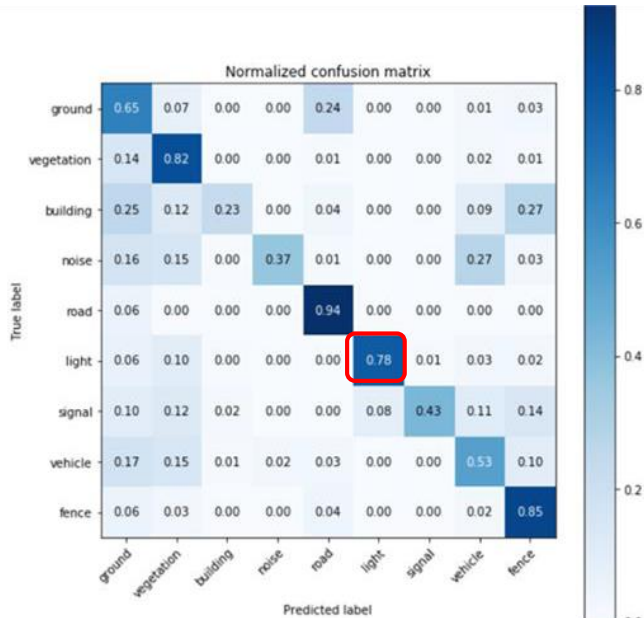
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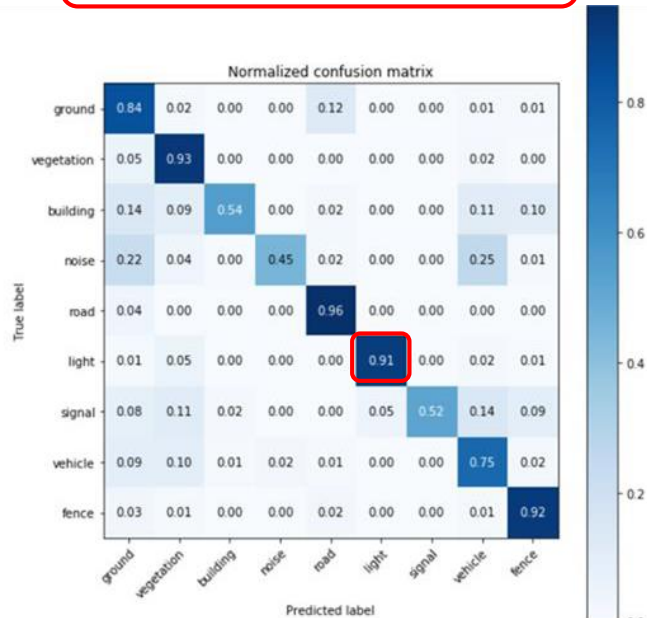
# Final Result of ML Algorithm (Comparison)

Normalized confusion matrix  
predict score is: 0.8357713048923584



Prediction result from the model trained without 2D features

Normalized confusion matrix  
predict score is: 0.9144521251694725

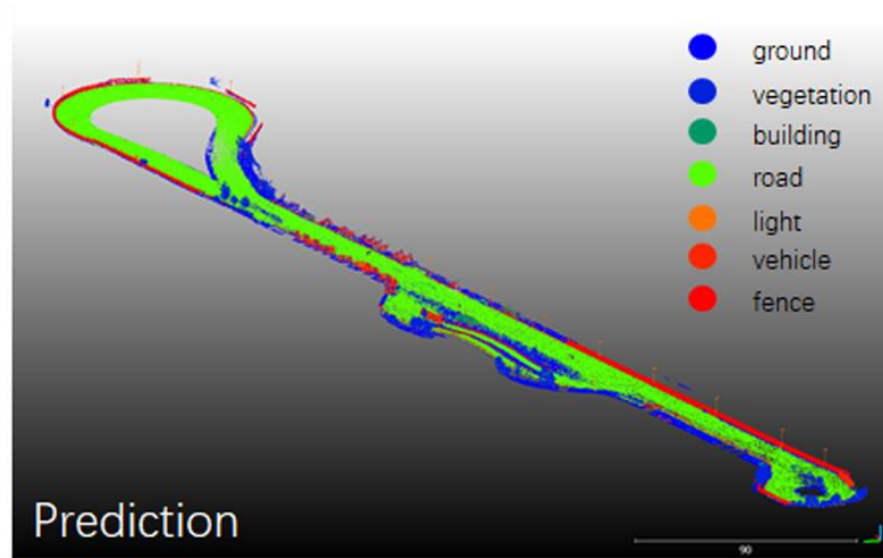
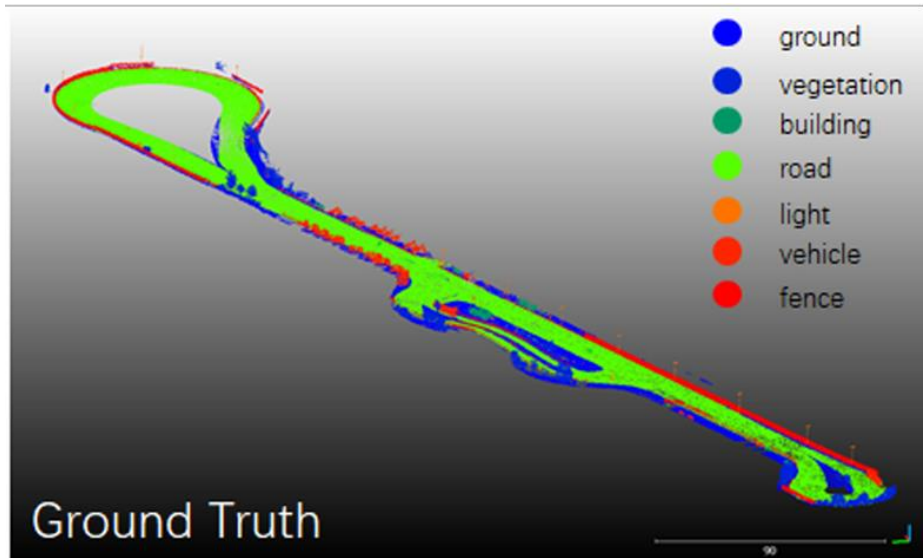


Prediction result from the model trained with 2D features

1. Overall accuracy is improved from 83.6% to 91.4%.

2. The prediction precision for each class is improved, especially 31% better for building and 13% better for light.

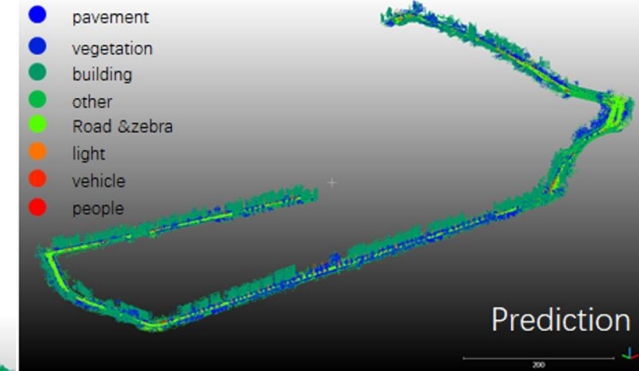
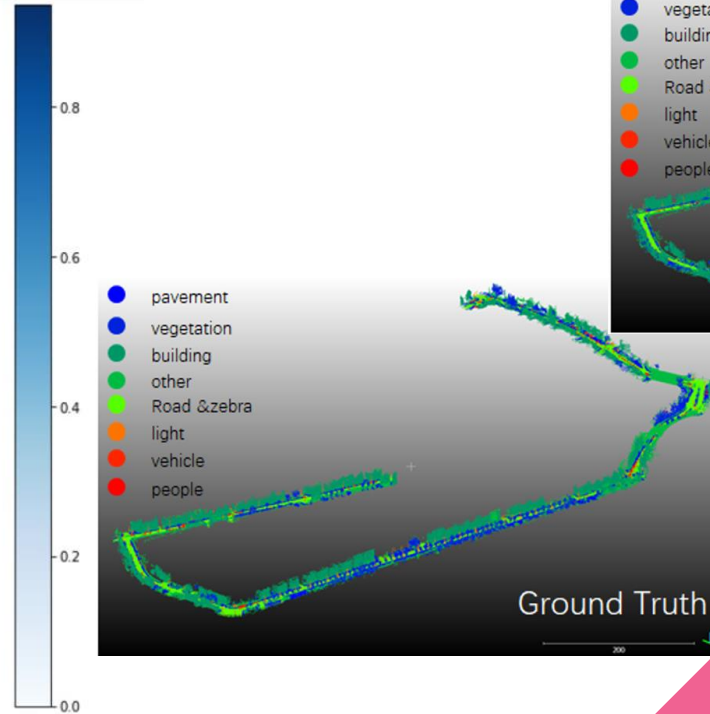
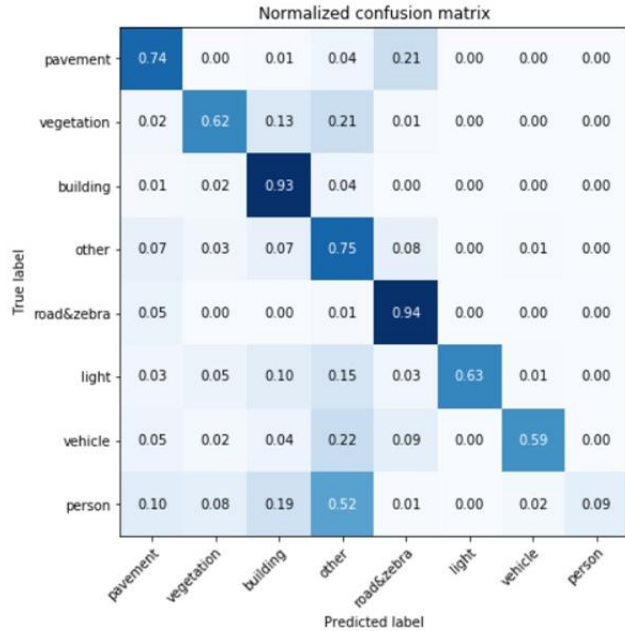
# Final Result of ML Algorithm (Part1, industrial area)



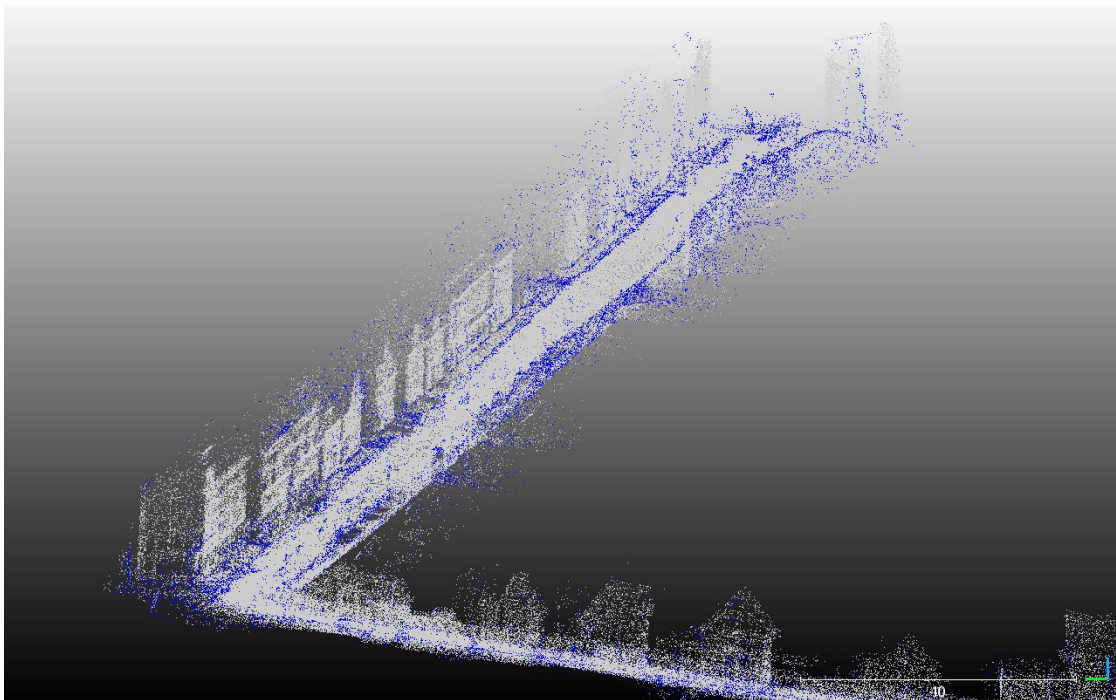
1. Overall accuracy is 91.4%.
2. Precision of class "light" is 91%

# Final Result of ML Algorithm (086b, residential)

Normalized confusion matrix  
predict score is: 0.858173927252852



# Final Result of ML Algorithm (086b)



Points assigned to wrong classes are shown in blue

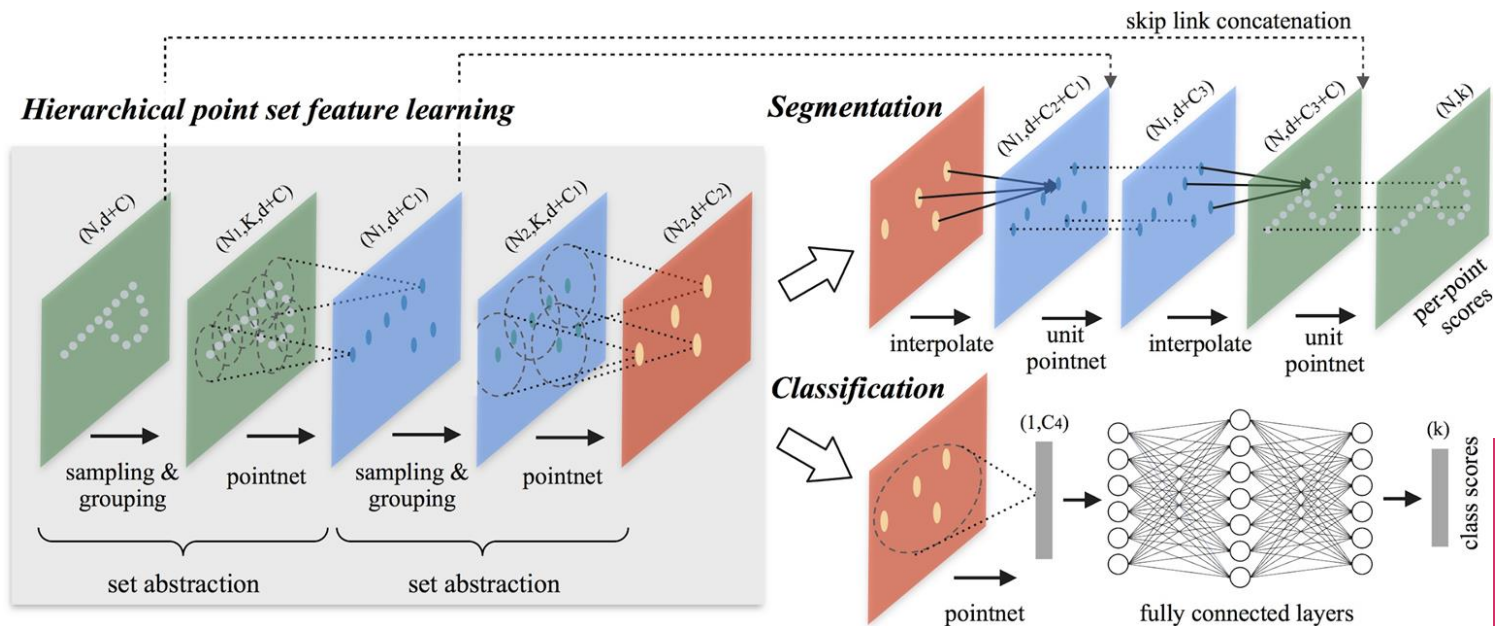
1. The overall accuracy for 086b is 85.8%, about 6% less than the accuracy of Part1.

2. Many points of “pavement” is wrongly predicted as road, and it’s understandable.

3. Precision of “light” is lower in 086b.  
Possible reason: there are many trees and the light may sometime hided in the branches of the trees.

# PointNet++

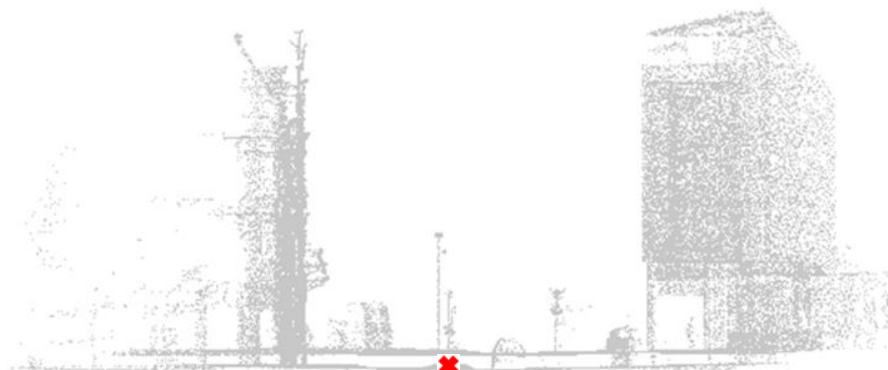
- Unordered point set as input
- Custom partitioning
- PointNet on each partition



# Data preprocessing for PointNet++



Cut scenery into  
chunks and center  
each chunk

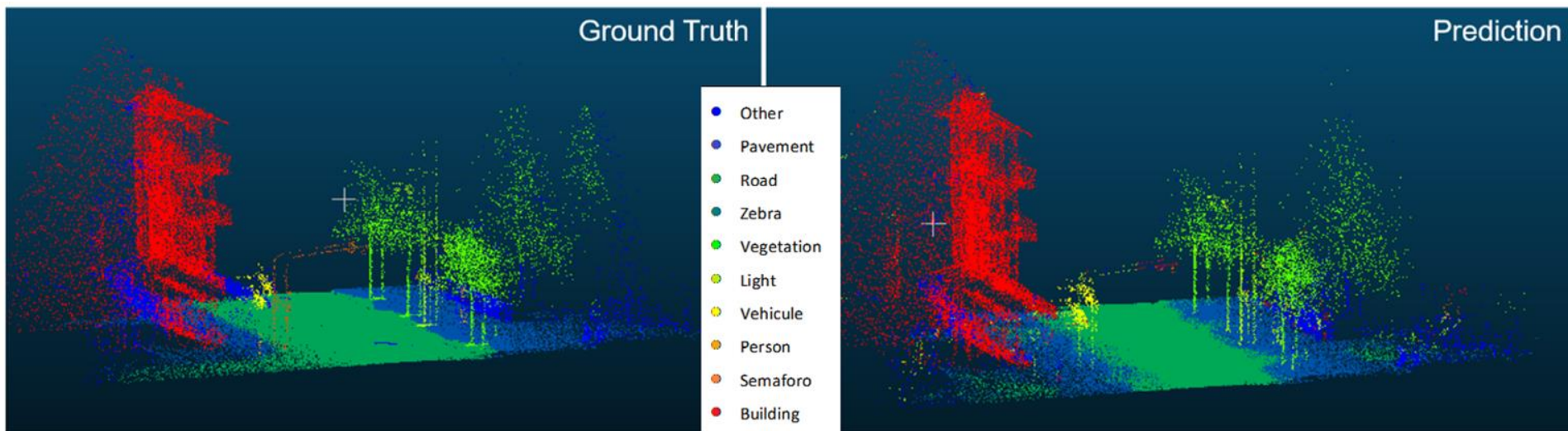


(0,0) new origin

# Final result of PointNet++: Chunk of “086b\_classified”

overall accuracy: 87%

average IoU (ignoring) label 'other': 47%

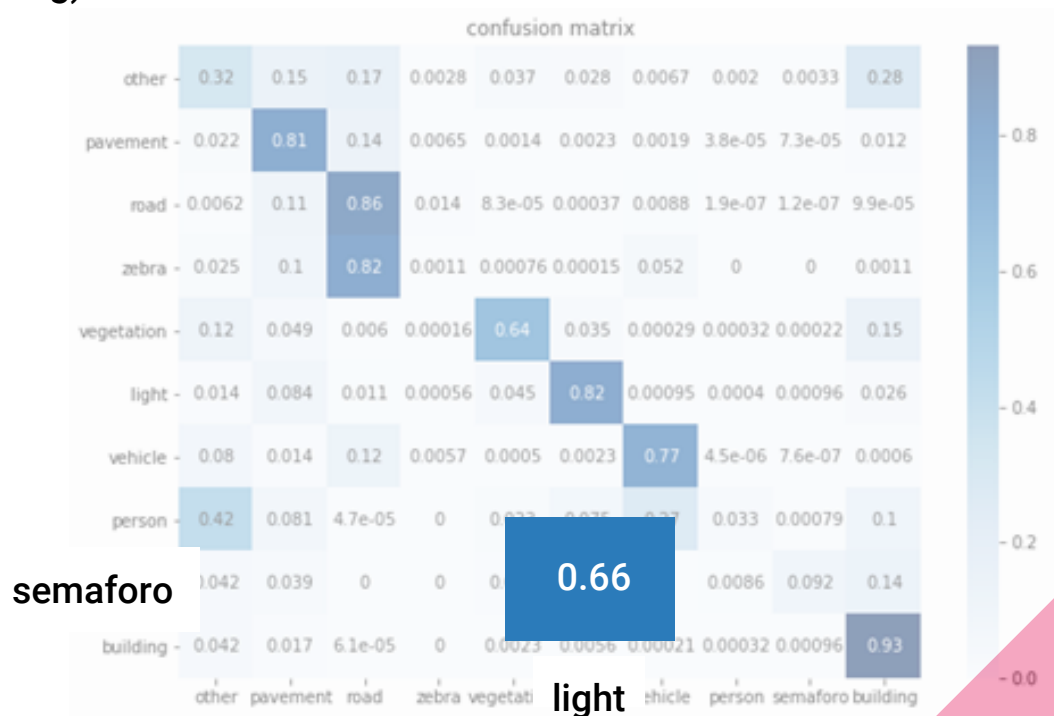




# Final result of PointNet++: Chunk of “086b\_classified”

overall accuracy: 87%

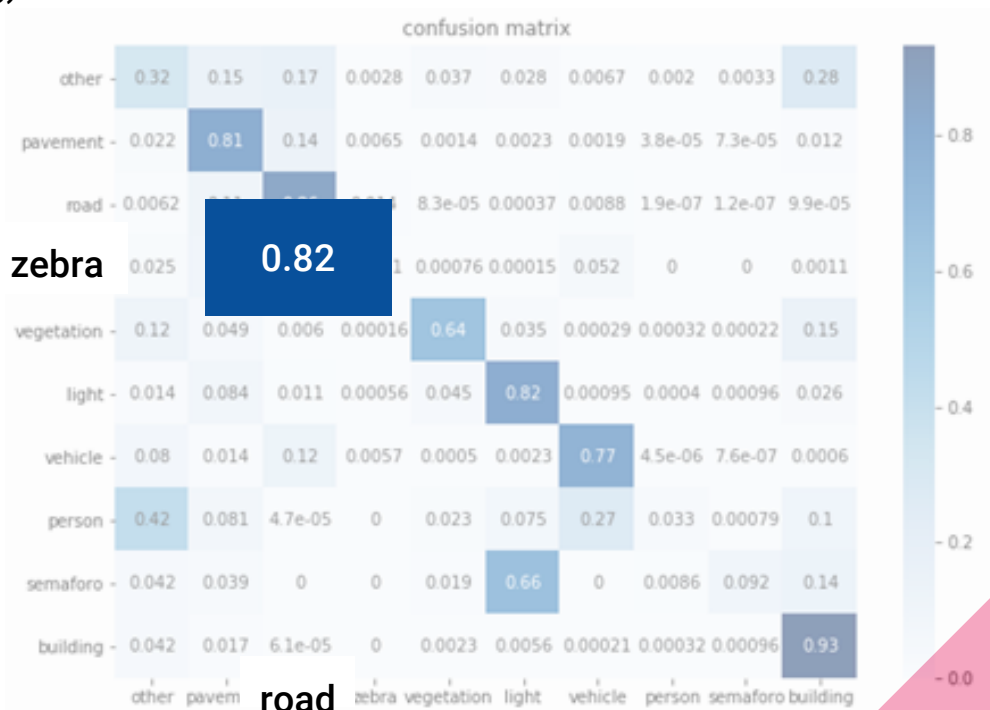
average IoU (ignoring) label 'other': 47%



# Final result of PointNet++: Chunk of “086b\_classified”

overall accuracy: 87%

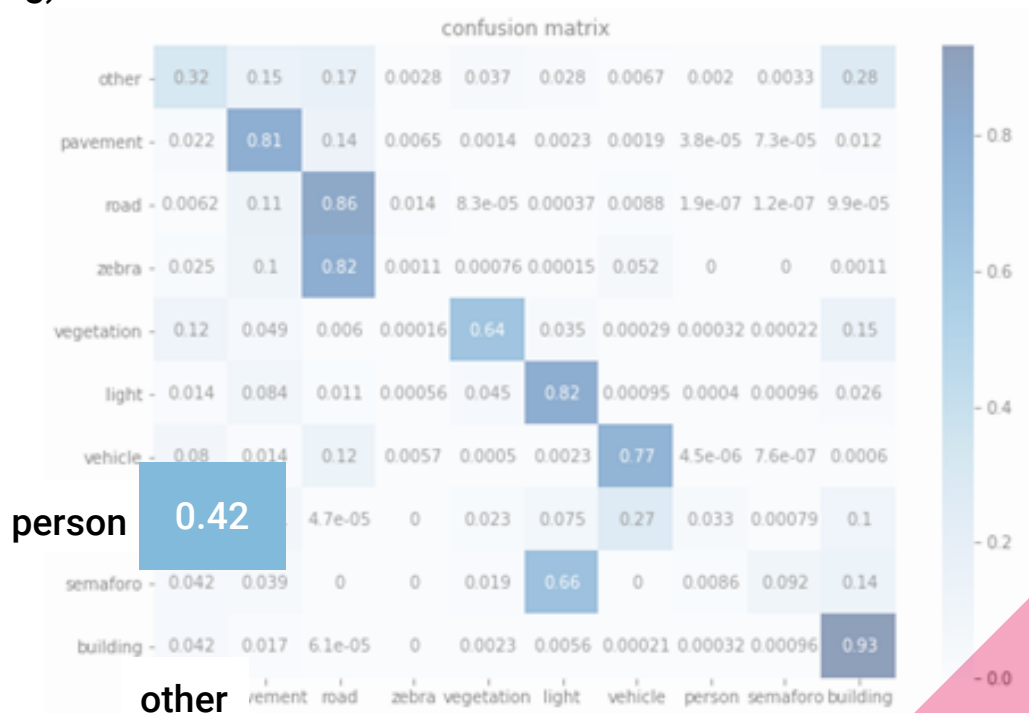
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# Final result of PointNet++: Chunk of “086b\_classified”

overall accuracy: 87%

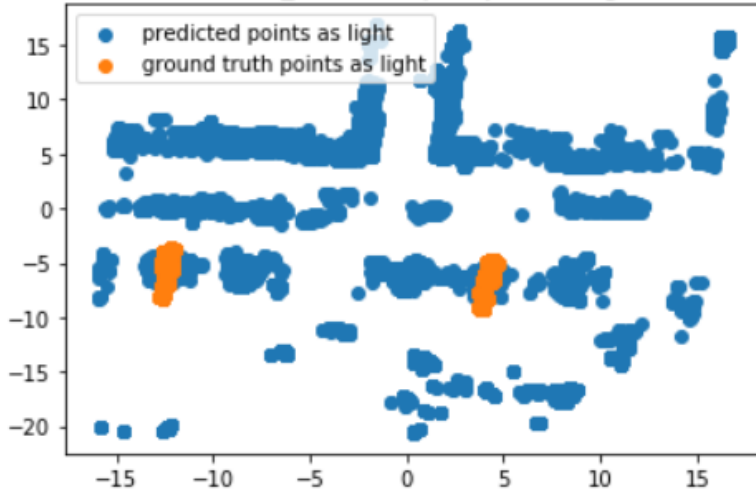
average IoU (ignoring) label 'other': 47%



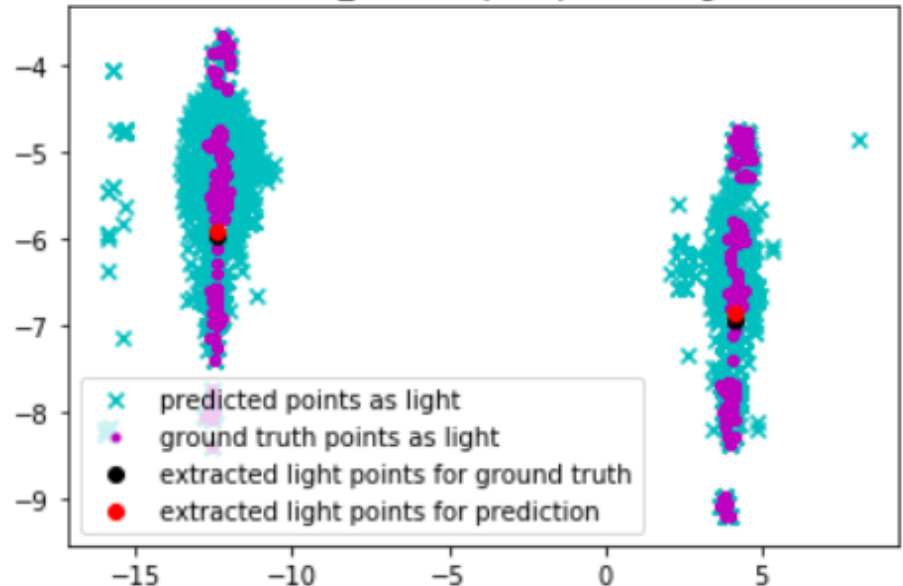
# Extraction of light poles: 1st approach

- calculate k clusters on the predicted points as light with KMean
- select only the clusters with the largest number of points
- calculate the intersection over union (IoU) of those selected clusters on the ground truth
- iterate for different numbers of clusters k
- pick the cluster with the highest IoU

chunk\_31 before post processing



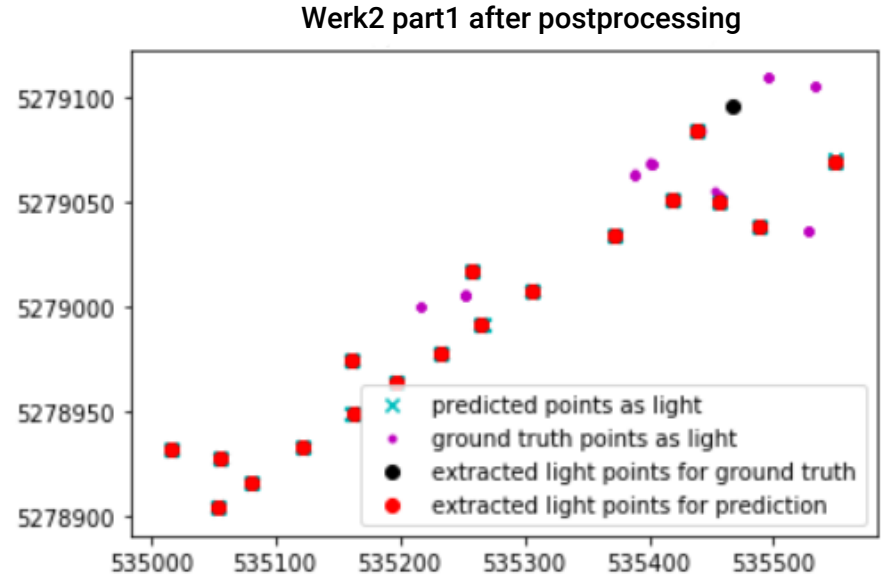
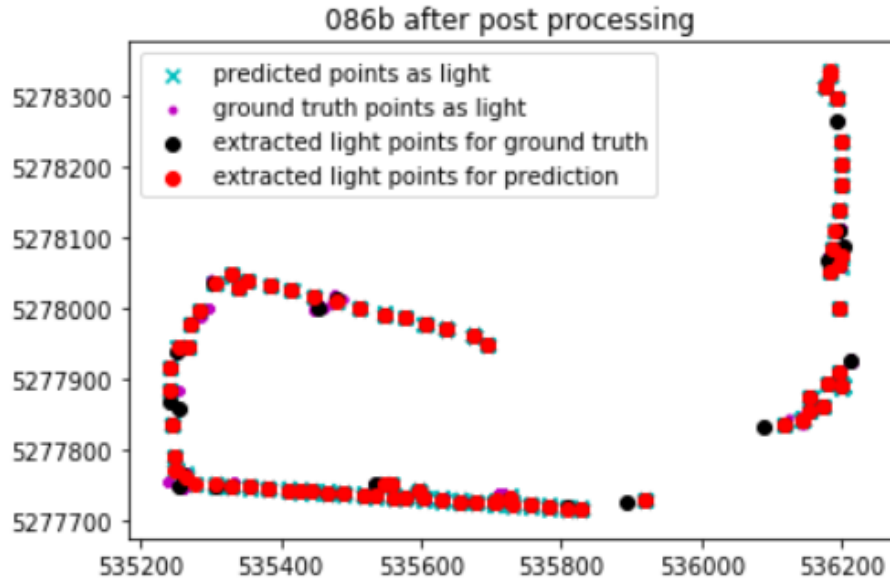
chunk\_31 after post processing



# Extraction of light poles: final approach

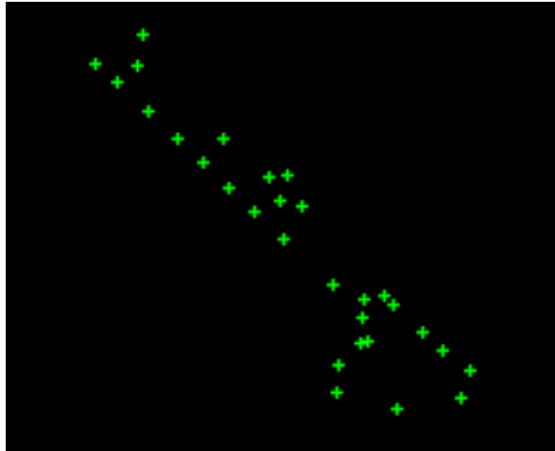
Instead of Kmean, we use DBSCAN: clustering done with input based on distance between points and not number of cluster => As the number of cluster varies a lot from a scene to another, DBSCAN is more appropriate.

Parameters: for ground truth,  $t=0.003$ , min samples=10, for prediction  $t=0.006$ , min samples=10

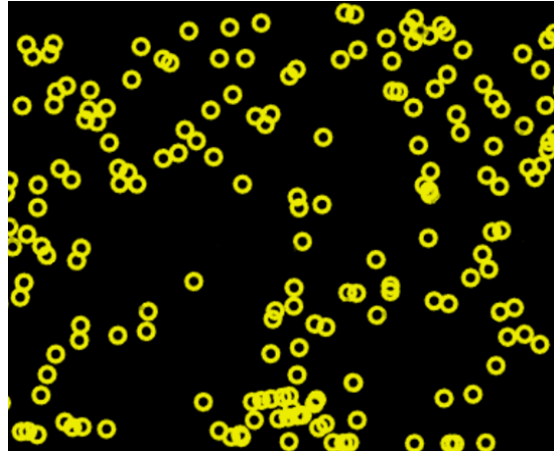


# Matching of Mobile Mapping Data to GCPs

- Goal: Match the base points of poles extracted from the segmentation to Ground Control Points derived from satellite data



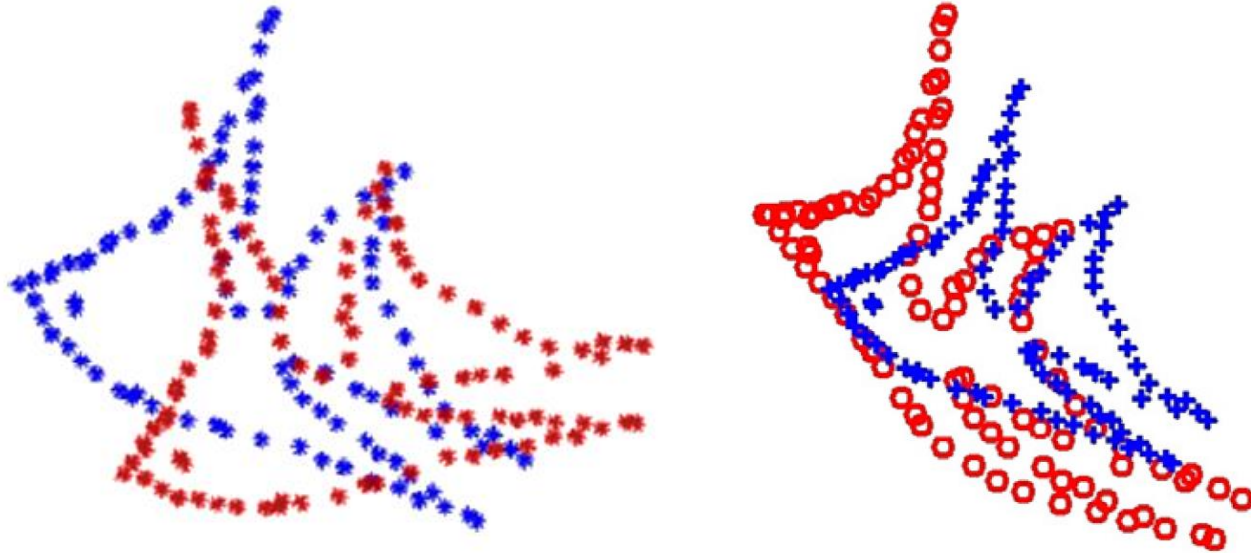
PCPs



local GCPs

# Point Set Registration

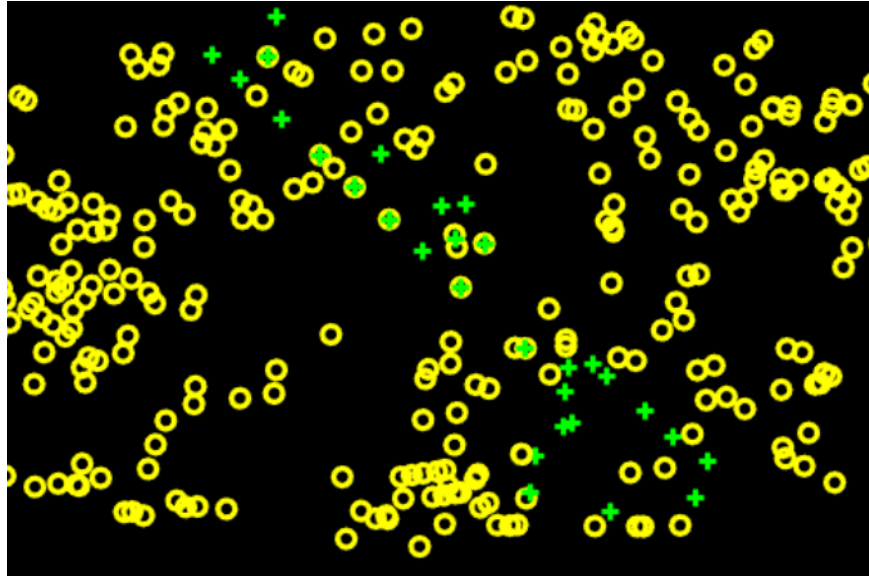
- Match *source set* to *target set*



Source: [14]

# Matching undistorted data

- GPS mostly accurate during acquisition: Inaccuracy as slight “noise”





# Rigid Point Set Registration: ICP

## Steps:

1. For each point in source set, compute closest point in target set
2. Compute rigid transformation that minimizes distance

Source: [9]

# Rigid Point Set Registration: ICP

## Steps:

1. For each point in source set, compute closest point in target set
  2. Compute rigid transformation that minimizes distance
- Computationally simple
  - Converges monotonically to closest local minimum

Source: [9]

# Rigid Point Set Registration: ICP

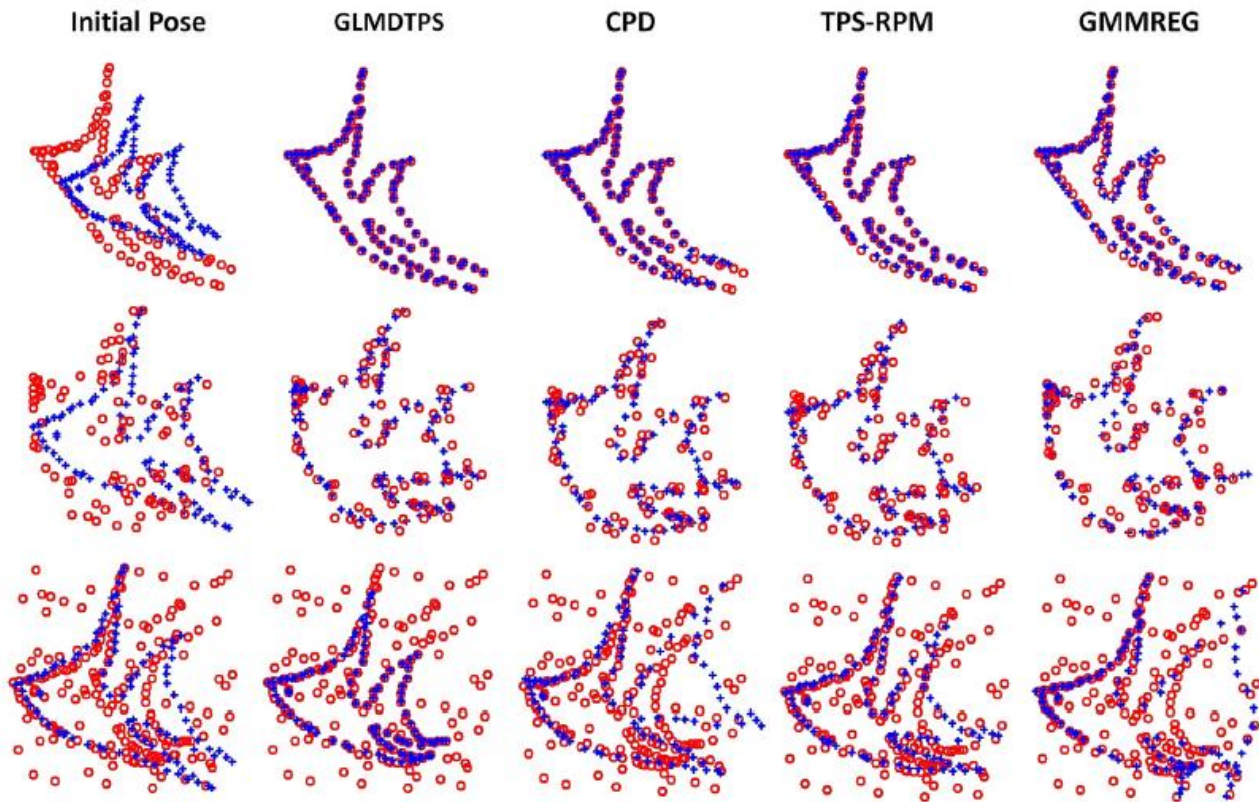
## Steps:

1. For each point in source set, compute closest point in target set
2. Compute rigid transformation that minimizes distance

- Computationally simple
- Converges monotonically to closest local minimum
  
- Provides correct results for non-distorted data
- Nearest Neighbour matching gives same results

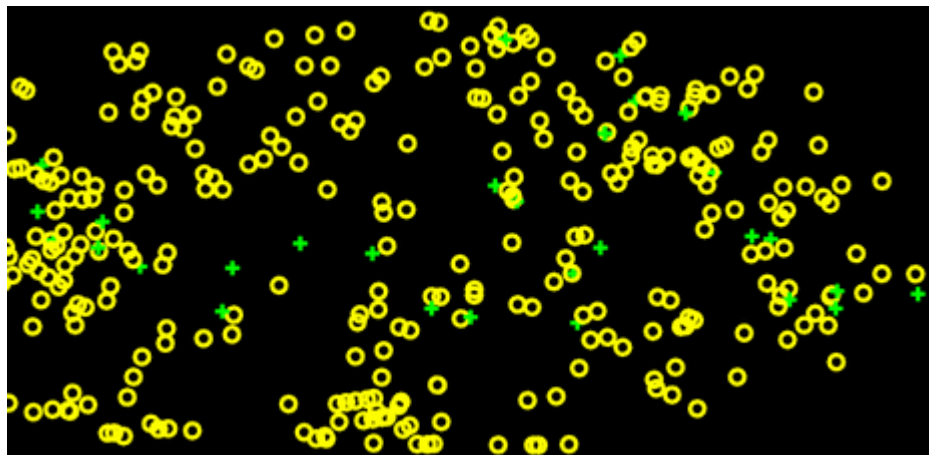
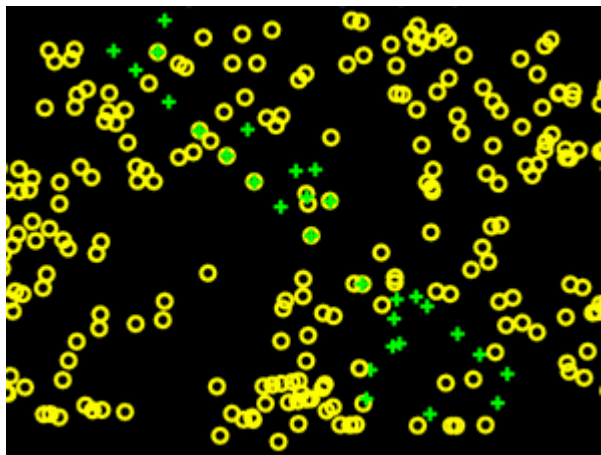
Source: [9]

# Non-rigid Point Set Registration: GLMDTPS



# Testing: GLMDTPS

- Incorrect results for non-distorted data



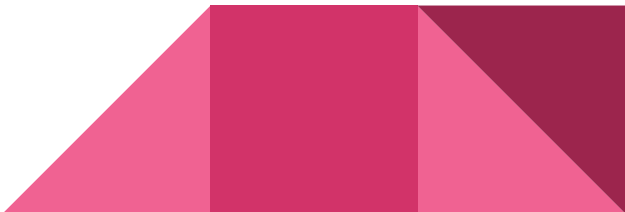
- Better transformation given only matches

# Idea: Iterated GLMDTPS

## Steps:

1. Nearest Neighbour Matching
2. GLMDTPS on matches
  - Reduce matching radius in later iterations

## Performance:

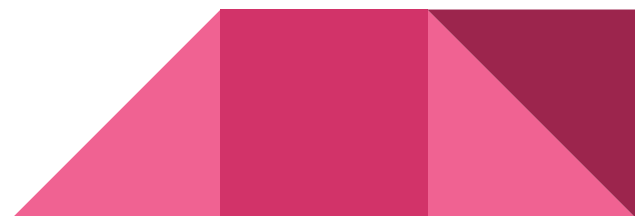
- Correct matches
  - Better transformation than ICP
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# Results: Iterated GLMDTPS

On non-distorted data:

<i>ID</i>	<i>OD</i>	<i>ND</i>
5	0.551	0.311
6	0.565	0.152
7	0.744	0.0516
9	0.741	0.231
10	0.421	0.045
24	0.613	0.163
27	0.513	0.155
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<i>avg</i>	<b>0.592</b>	<b>0.158</b>

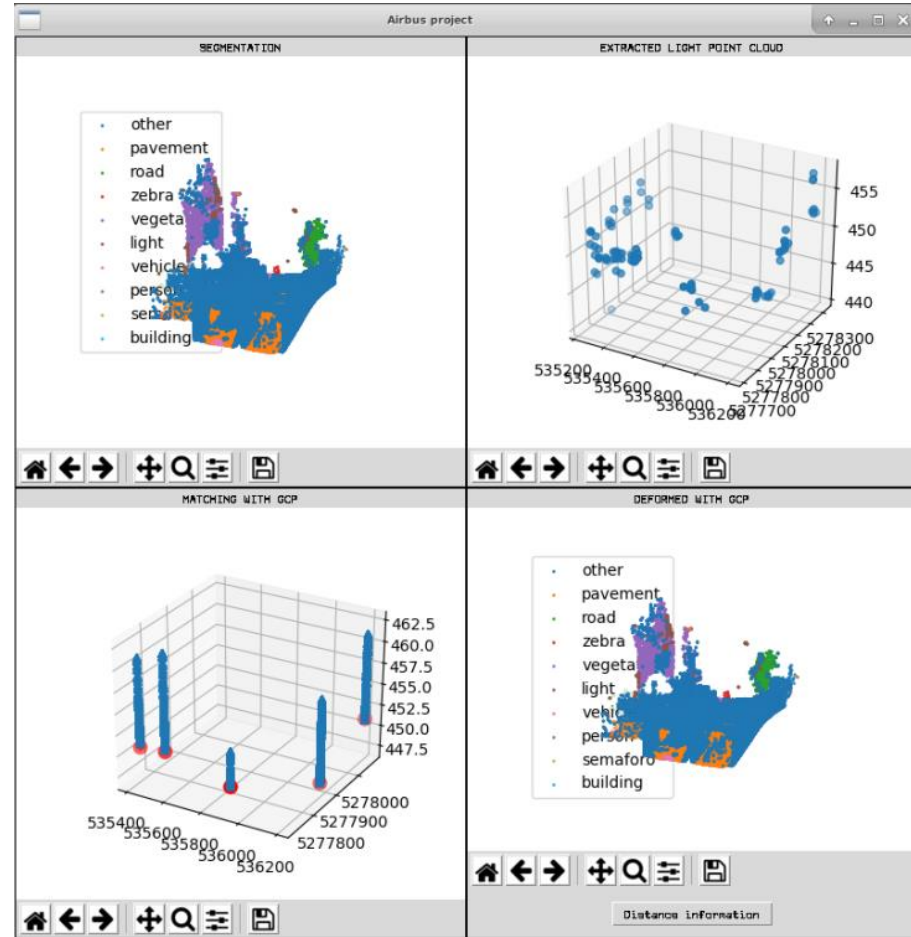
Distances in meter



# Software development

Creation of a software to integrate all algorithms together:

- Classification:
  - by Random Forest: feature extraction and classification
  - by PointNet++: classification of each chunks
- light extraction
- matching
- deformation





# Conclusion

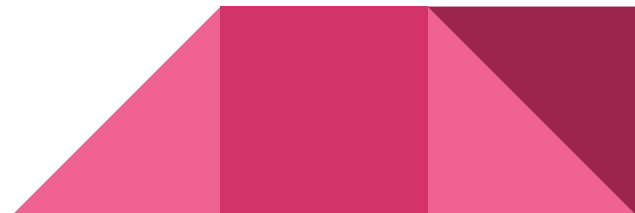
## Segmentation & Classification

- **Models trained on urbanized area in Germany => probably not robust to a different type of data**
- **To improve the ML algorithm, training with data from different environment will be necessary.**



# Conclusion

- Random Forest algorithm is **robust to the size of the input**.
- Machine learning (ML) algorithm needs to extract features that is **time consuming**
- PointNet++ algorithm is much **faster**
- The processing time for ML algorithm can be decreased by supporting **parallelization**.



# Conclusion


## Light Pole Extraction

- Improve the fine-tuning for clustering
- Create or find a Machine Learning or Deep Learning approach for clustering and pole extraction
- include this architecture to the segmentation approach



# Conclusion

## Matching

- Iterated algorithm that
    - produces **correct** matches in test cases
    - **robust** to high outlier-ratio
    - provides **non-rigid transformation** as base for correction of LiDAR data
  
  - Outlook:
    - Improve transformation
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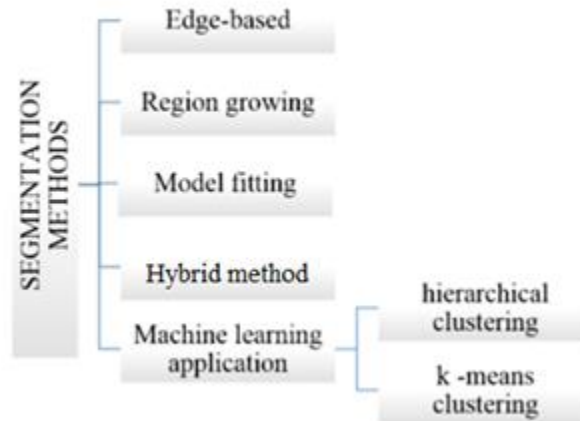
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# Thank You!

# Backup Segmentation methods

Synthetic representation of the segmentation methods





# Backup Extracted Feature-1

	Feature Name	Description of Feature
1	KDistance	The Euclidean distance to a point's 8-th nearest neighbour
2	LocalReachabilityDistance	The inverse of the mean of all reachability distances for a neighbourhood of points
3	LocalOutlierFactor	The mean of all LocalReachabilityDistance values for the neighbourhood
4	NNDistance	Similar to KDistance
5	Eigenvalue2	The largest Eigenvalue based on its 8-nearest neighbours in 3D.
6	Eigenvalue1	The second-largest Eigenvalue based on its 8-nearest neighbours in 3D.
7	Eigenvalue0	The smallest Eigenvalue based on its 8-nearest neighbors in 3D.
8	Rank	Computed by SVD with 8-nearest neighbours. Point sets with rank 1 correspond to linear features, while rank 2 correspond to planar features and rank 3 corresponds to a full 3D feature.
9	NormalX	The normal is taken as the eigenvector corresponding to the smallest eigenvalue.
10	NormalY	
11	NormalZ	
12	Curvature	Smallest eigenvalue divided by the sum of all three eigenvalues.
13	RadialDensity	The density of points in a sphere of a given radius. Here the radius is 2.
14	Coplanar	Technique to performs a fast and robust octree-based segmentation of approximately coplanar clusters of samples.

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# Backup Extracted Feature-2

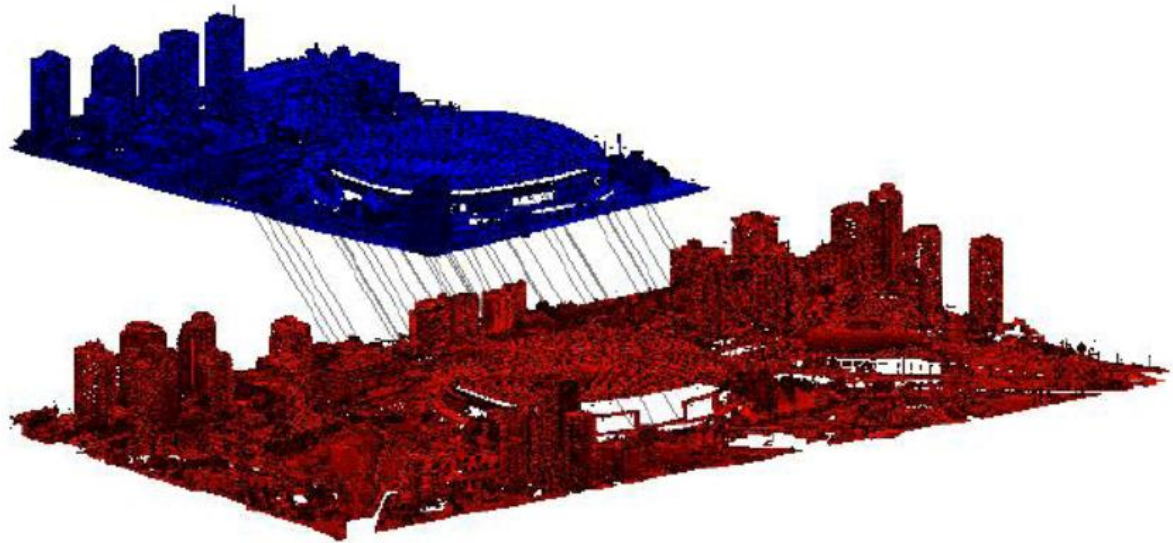
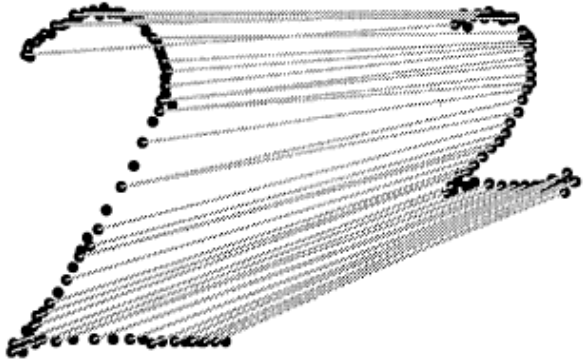
15	Linearity	$(\text{Eigenvalue0} - \text{Eigenvalue1}) / \text{Eigenvalue2}$
16	Planarity	$(\text{Eigenvalue1} - \text{Eigenvalue0}) / \text{Eigenvalue2}$
17	Scattering	$\text{Eigenvalue0} / \text{Eigenvalue2}$
18	Omnivariance	$(\text{Eigenvalue0} * \text{Eigenvalue1} * \text{Eigenvalue2})^{**}(1/3)$
19	Anisotropy	$(\text{Eigenvalue2} - \text{Eigenvalue0}) / \text{Eigenvalue2}$
20	Eigentropy	$-(\text{Eigenvalue0} * \log(\text{Eigenvalue0}) - \text{Eigenvalue1} * \log(\text{Eigenvalue1}) - \text{Eigenvalue2} * \log(\text{Eigenvalue2}))$
21	Eigen_Sum	The sum of all three eigenvalues
22	Curvature_Change	$\text{Eigenvalue0} / (\text{Eigenvalue0} + \text{Eigenvalue1} + \text{Eigenvalue2})$
23	density_2d	The density of points, which are projected to X-Y plane, in a circle of a given radius. Here the radius is 20 cm.
24	e1_2d	The smallest Eigenvalue based on its neighbours within 20 cm in 2D.
25	e2_2d	The largest Eigenvalue based on its neighbours within 20 cm in 2D.
26	Z	Coordinate in Z-axis.

# Comparison of Point Cloud file format

TYPE	EXTENSION(S)	DESCRIPTION	READ	WRITE	BINARY/ASCII	POINT CLOUD(S)	MESH(ES)	OTHER	FEATURES
BIN	.bin	CloudCompare own format	X	X	binary	>1	>1	>1	Normals, colors (RGB), scalar fields (>1), labels, viewports, display options, etc.
ASCII	.asc,.txt,.xyz,.neu,.pts	ASCII point cloud file (X,Y,Z,etc.)	X	X	ASCII	1	0	0	Normals, colors (RGB), scalar fields (all)
LAS	.las	ASPRS lidar point clouds	X	X	binary	1	0	0	Colors (RGB) and various scalar fields (see LAS 1.4 specifications)
E57	.e57	ASTM E57 file format	X	X	mixed	>1	0	Calibrated picture(s)	Normals, colors (RGB or I), scalar field (intensity)
PCD	.pcd	Point Cloud Library format	X	X	binary	>1	0	0	Colors (RGB), normals, scalar fields (>1)
PLY	.ply	Stanford 3D geometry format (cloud or mesh)	X	X	both	1	1	0	Normals, colors (RGB or I), one or several scalar fields, a single texture
OBJ	.obj	Wavefront mesh	X	X	ASCII	1	>1	Polyline(s)	Normals, materials and textures
VTK	.vtk	VTK file format (triangular mesh or cloud only)	X	X	ASCII	1	1	0	Normals, colors (RGB), scalar field(s) (>1)
STL	.stl	STEREOlithography file format(mesh)	X	X	ASCII	0	1	0	Normals
OFF	.off	Object File Format (mesh)	X	X	ASCII	0	1	0	0
FBX	.fbx	Autodesk (Filmbox) File Format	X	X	ASCII or BINARY	0	>1	0	Normals, colors (RGB), materials and textures
DXF	.dxf	Autocad DXF format	X	X	ASCII	>1	>1	polyline(s)	Normals, colors (RGB)
SHP	.shp	ESRI Shape file format	X	X	binary	>1	0	Polyline(s), polygon(s), contour plot(s), etc.	Scalar fields (1 per entity)

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# Point Set Registration



## Case 2: Matching distorted data

- Loss of GPS signal during acquisition: possibly non-linear distortion
- Approach: Non-rigid point set registration

