



# TERRAIN MODEL GENERATION FROM POINT CLOUD

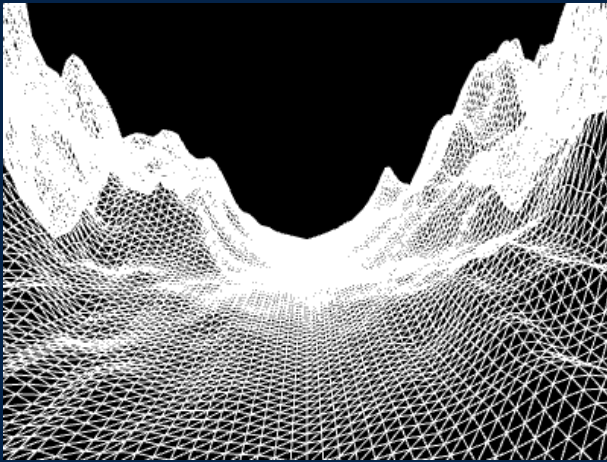
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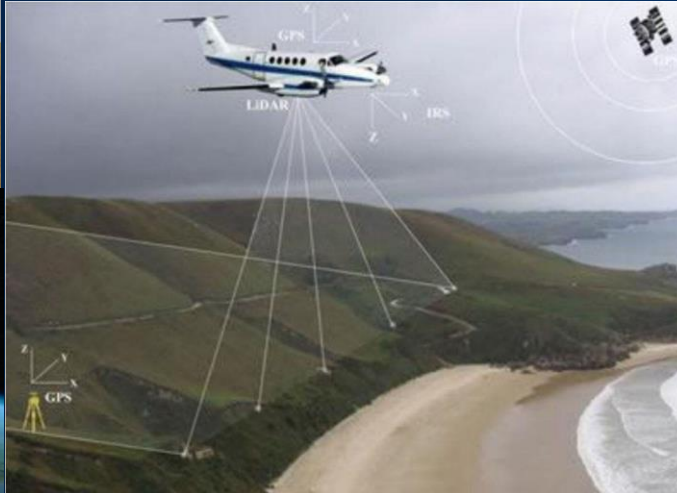
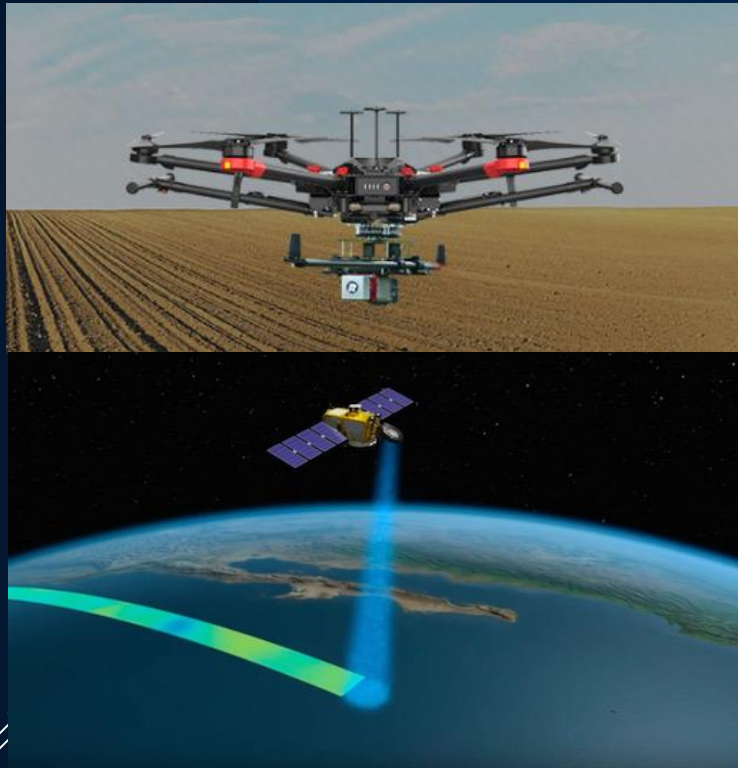
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# INTRODUCTION



- ▶ Point Cloud.
  - Set of data points in space
  - Various file format standards are available to store these points
  - Used for DTM, DSM and other spatial analysis
- ▶ Digital terrain model (DTM).
  - A visual representation of geographical spatial features.
  - Digital Elevation Model is a 3D representation of the terrain elevations.
  - Digital Terrain Model is a DEM in which data has been further enhanced with break lines or filtering out the noise.
  - Outliers are noise and Inliers are points that are needed

# DATA ACQUISITION



- ▶ Satellite Mapping
- ▶ Stereo Vision
- ▶ Surveying and mapping drones
- ▶ LiDAR
- ▶ Physically touching the model
- ▶ Structured Light



# DTM USE-CASES



- ▶ To build canals and design water flow for mass movement of water bodies
- ▶ It can also be used to study the natural disaster prone regions for flash floods
- ▶ In building Metro, Rail systems and even roads
- ▶ It can also be helpful to improve Navigation by building better maps
- ▶ Used in Flight simulation technology

# POINT CLOUD PROCESSING

- ▶ Development Environment
  - ▶ Python
  - ▶ PCL
  - ▶ PPTK
- ▶ Coordinate Transformation
  - ▶ LLA to ECEF



# COORDINATE TRANSFORMATIONS: LLA → ECEF

- ▶ Calculate ellipsoid flattening  $f$ .
- ▶  $f = \frac{a-b}{a}$
- ▶ Calculate eccentricity  $e$ .
- ▶  $e = \sqrt{f * (2 - f)}$
- ▶ Calculate the distance  $N$  from the surface to z- axis along ellipsoid normal as a function of  $\Phi$  (geodetic latitude):
- ▶  $N(\Phi) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1-e^2 \sin^2(\Phi)}}$
- ▶ The ECEF coordinates  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$  can be calculated from:
  - ▶  $X = (h + N(\Phi)) \cos(\lambda) \cos(\Phi)$
  - ▶  $Y = (h + N(\Phi)) \cos(\lambda) \sin(\Phi)$
  - ▶  $Z = (h + (1 - e^2)N(\Phi)) \sin(\lambda)$

# METHODOLOGY





# VISUALIZING POINT CLOUD

Read

## Read input file

- Latitude, longitude, altitude, intensity

Intensity Model

## Generate Terrain model by Intensity Data

- Convert <Lat, Long> to ECEF coordinates <X,Y,Z>
- Visualize the cloud points <x,y,z,intensity>

Elevation  
Model

## Generate Terrain model by Elevation Data

- Convert <Lat, Long> to ECEF coordinates <X,Y,Z>
- Visualize the cloud points <X,Y,Z>
- Color the point clouds by the altitude data

# FILTERING POINTS

## ► Filtering Noise

- Read the input file
- Create point cloud by PCL library
- Use Statistical Outlier Filter
- Set the number of neighboring points for mean analysis (K)
- Set standard deviation threshold

## ► Outliers

- Point with mean distance  $> (\text{mean} * \text{std\_dev})$

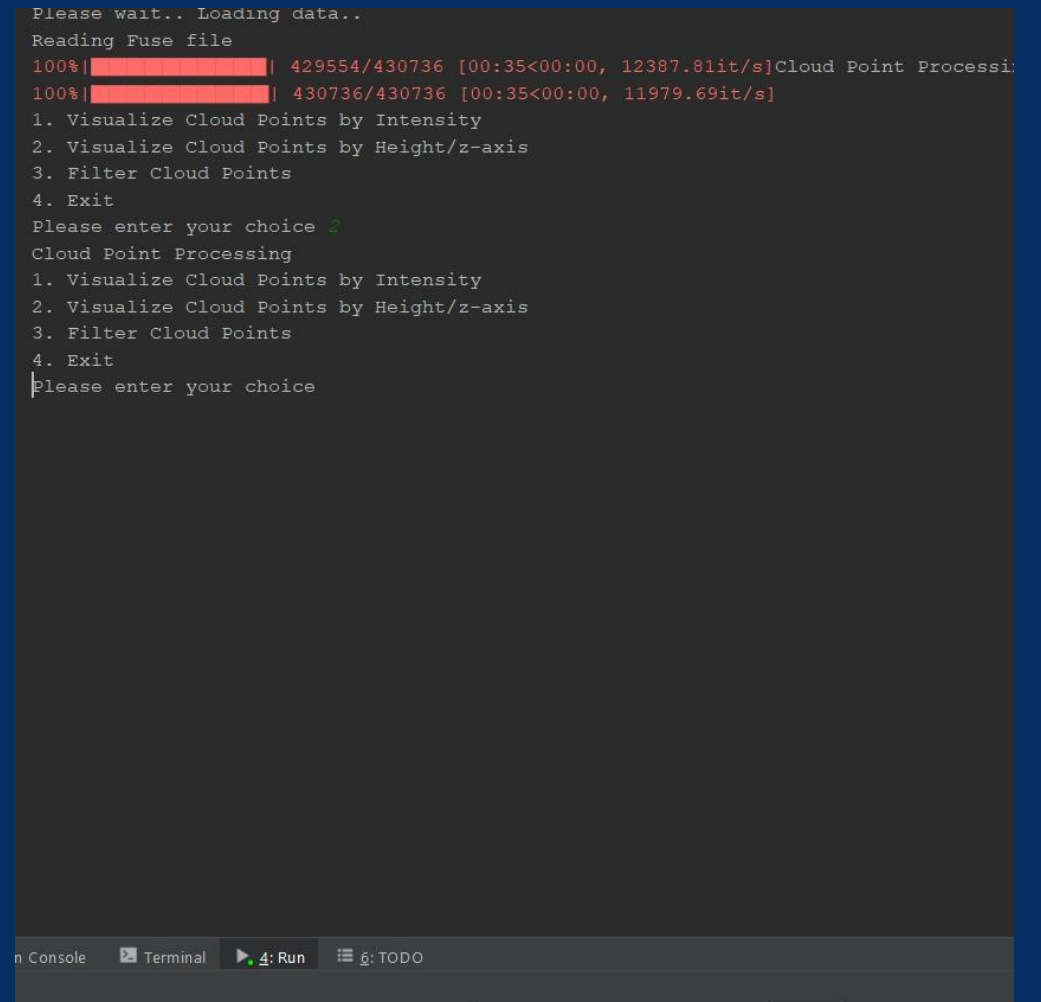
## ► Inliers

- Point with mean distance  $< (\text{mean} * \text{std\_dev})$
- Generate Terrain Model

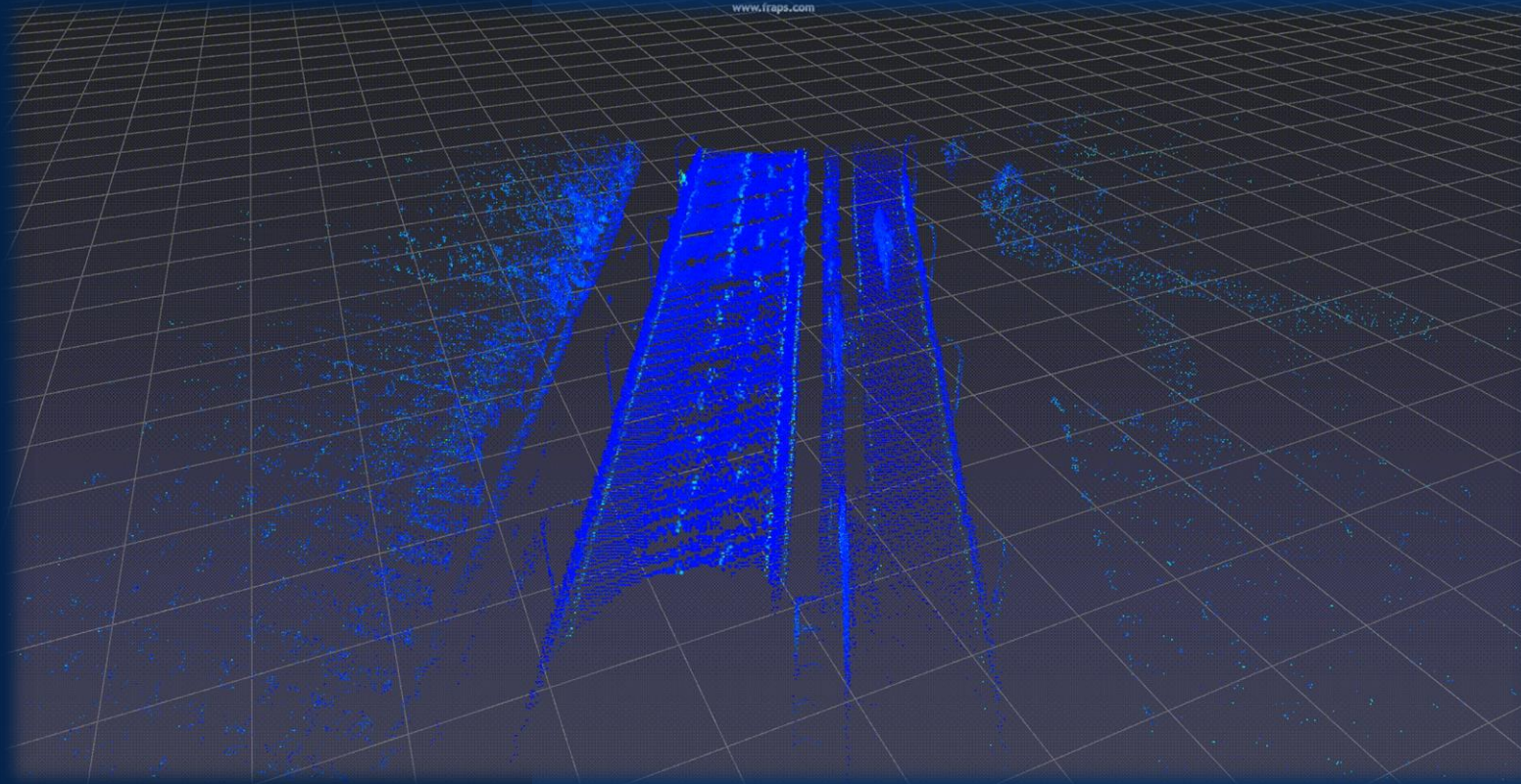
# HOW TO RUN

- Python main.py
  - Cloud Point Processing
  - 1. Visualize Cloud Points by Intensity
  - 2. Visualize Cloud Points by Height/z-axis
  - 3. Filter Cloud Points
  - 4. Exit
  - Please enter your choice

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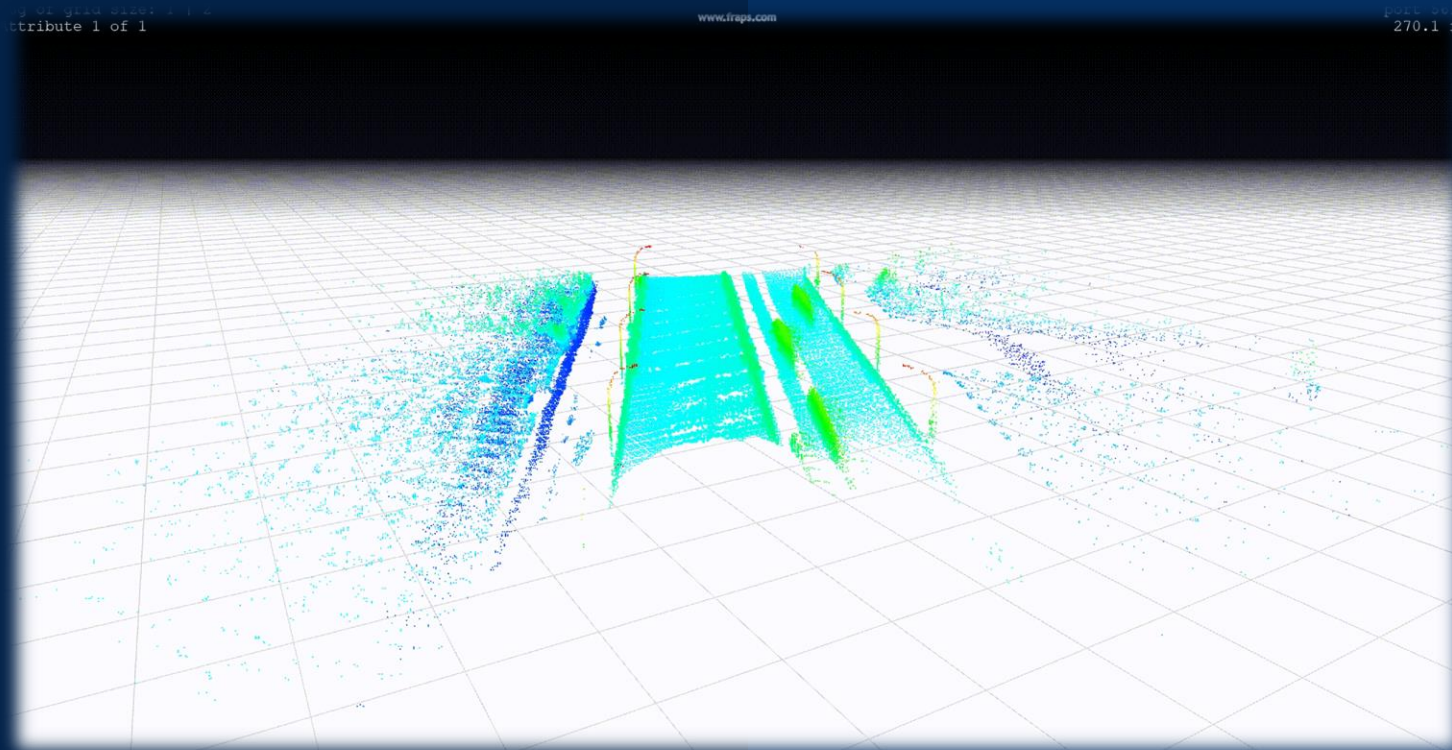


# OUTPUT



TERRAIN MODEL BY INTENSITY

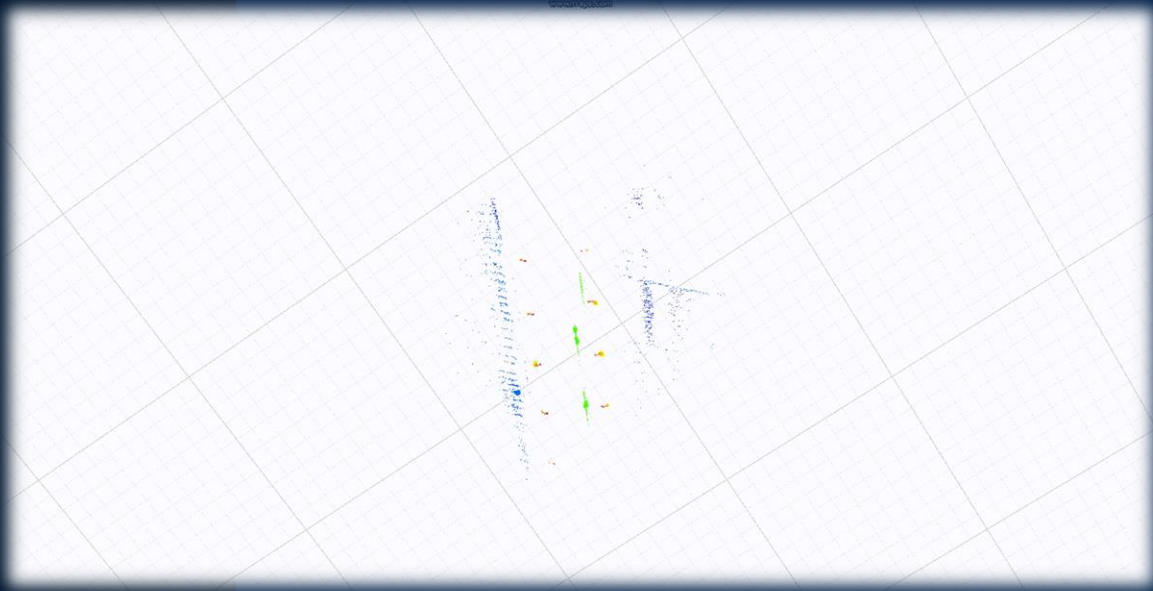
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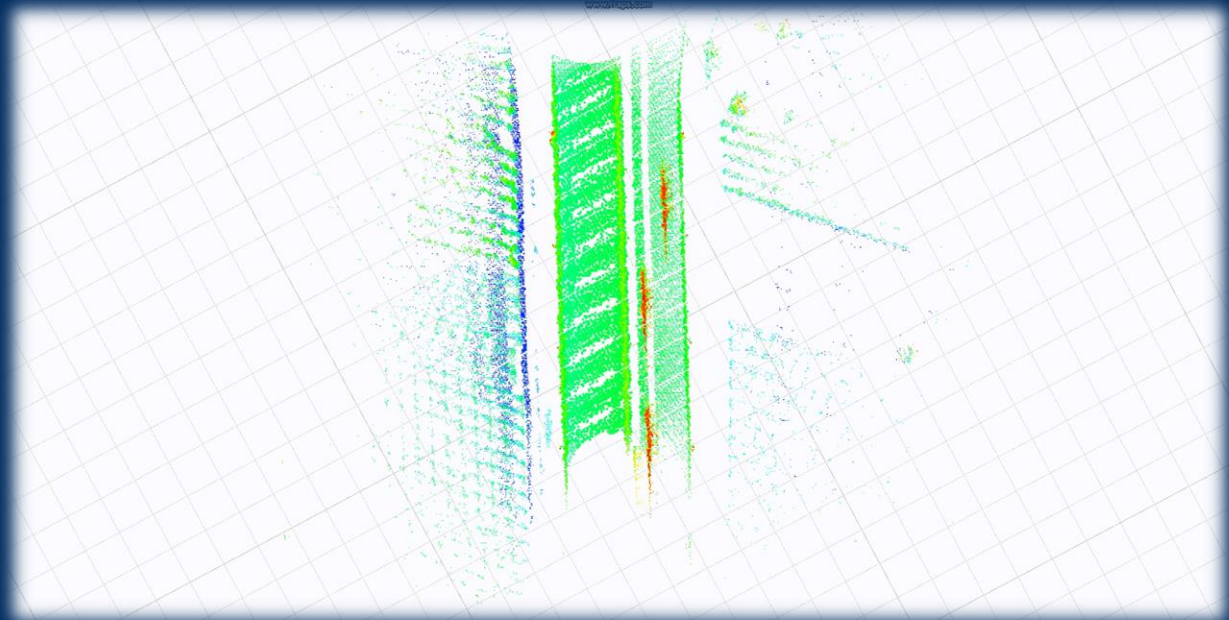
Terrain Model by Elevation  
Visualization



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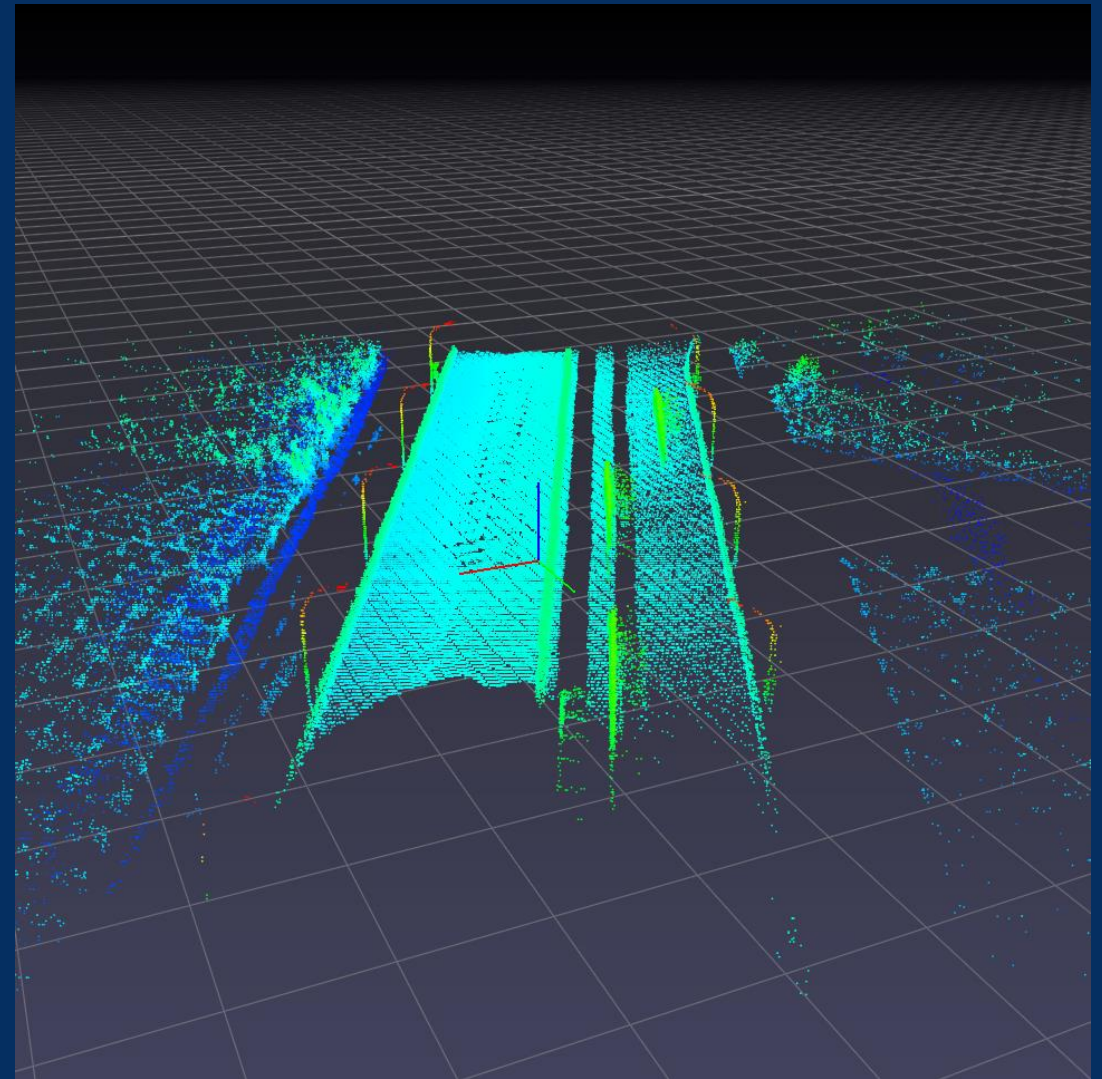
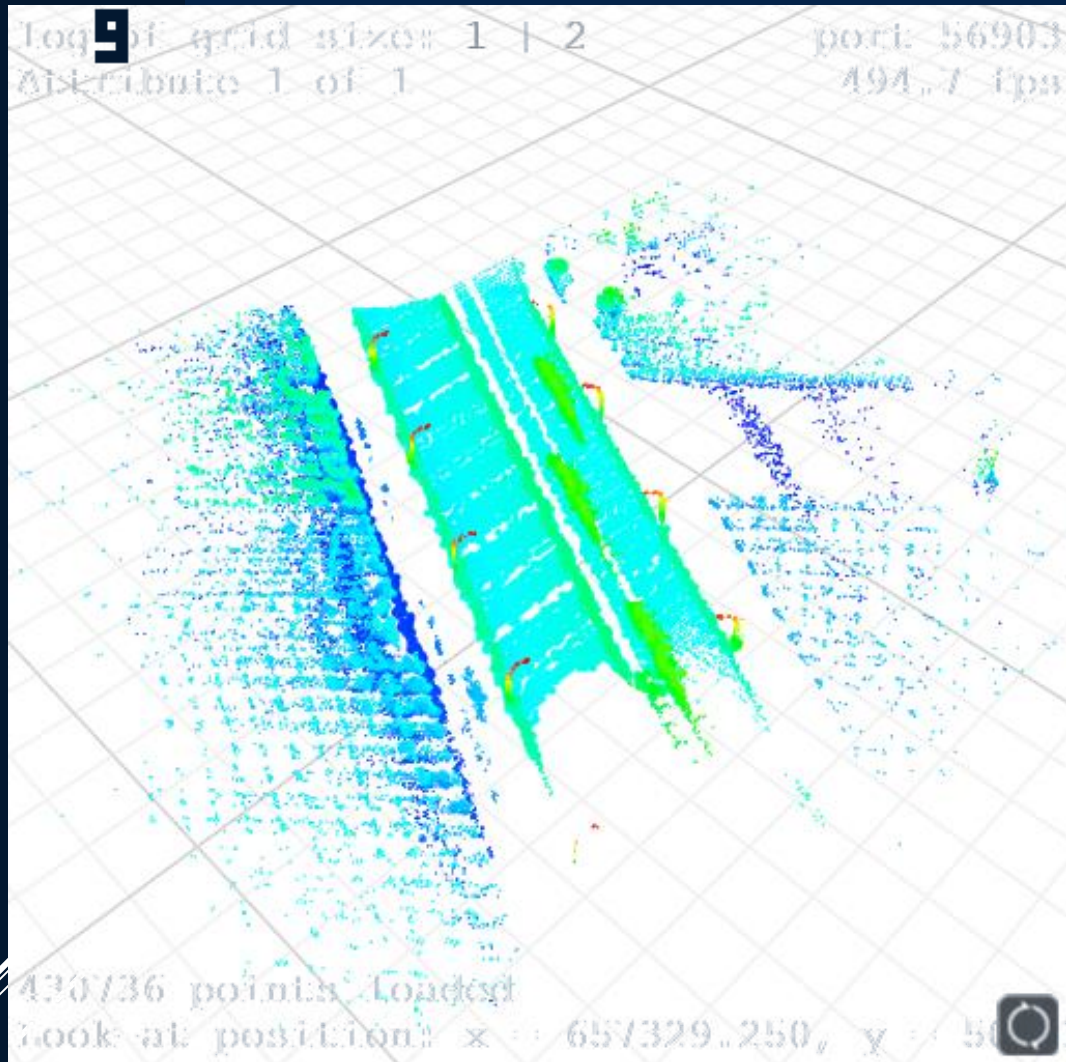


OUTLIERS - Visualization



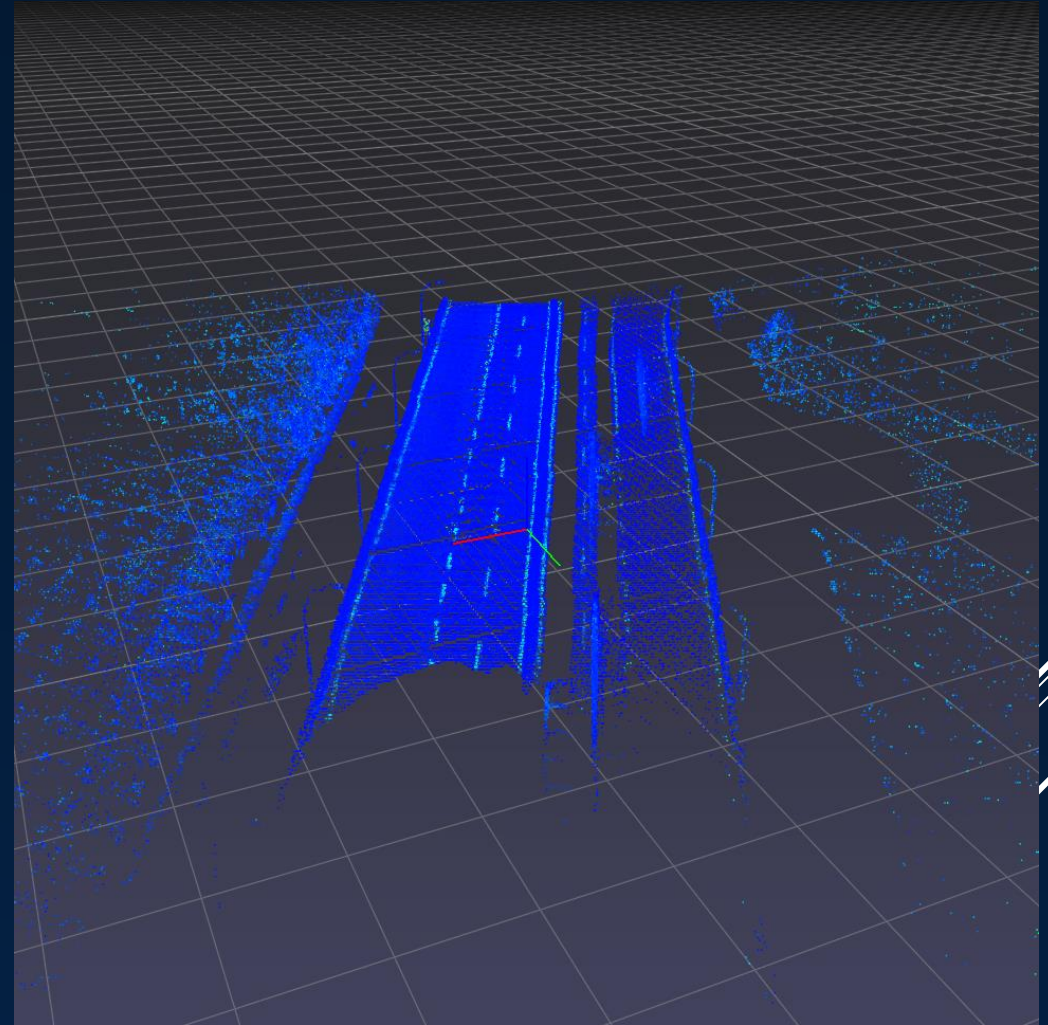
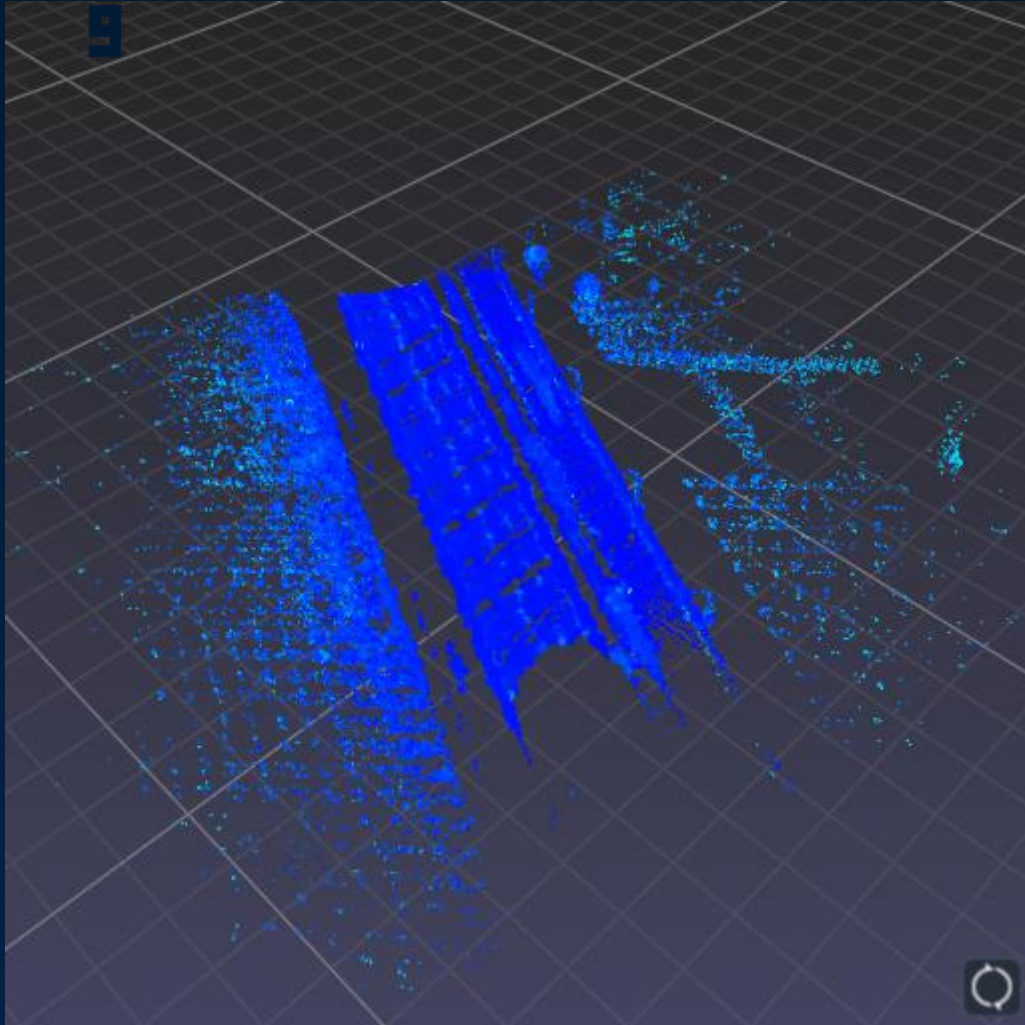
INLIERS - Visualization

## TERRAIN MODEL BY ELEVATION



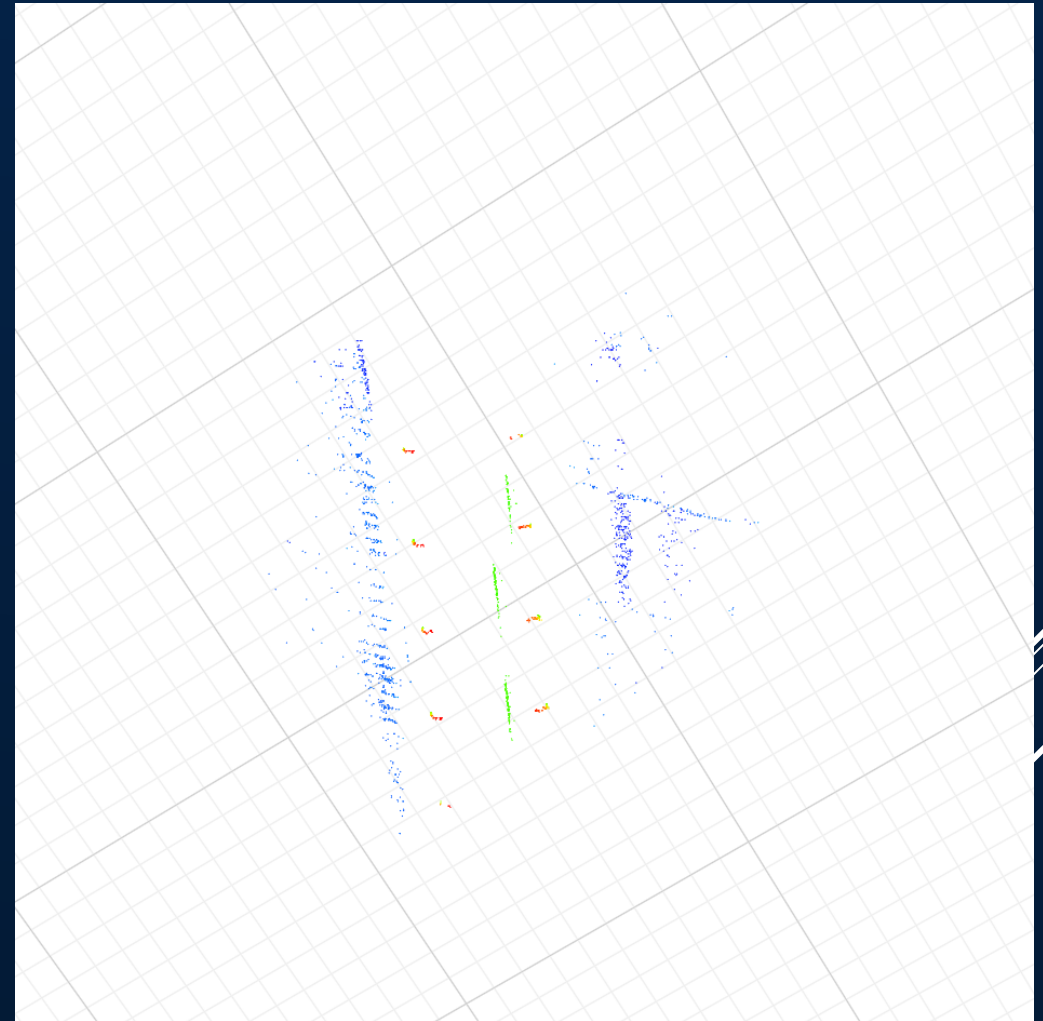
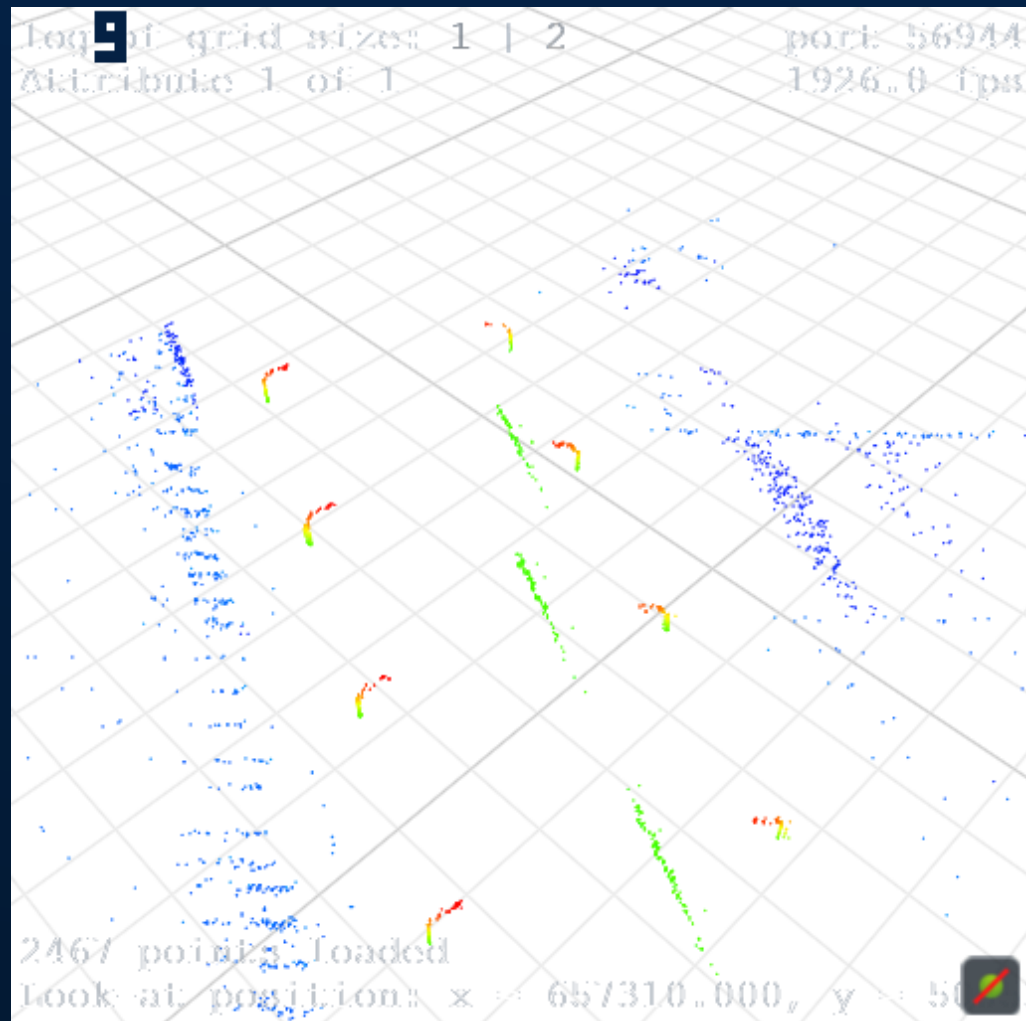


## TERRAIN MODEL BY INTENSITY



Intensity Visualization

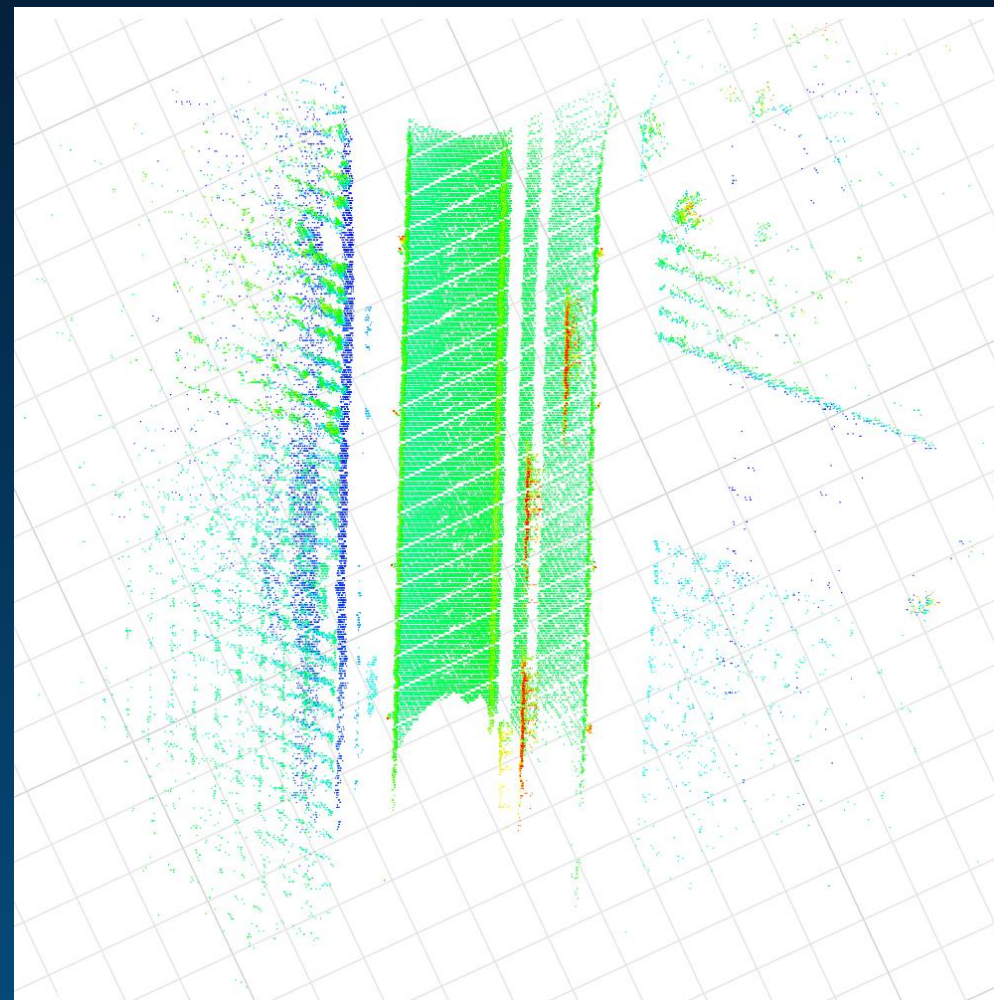
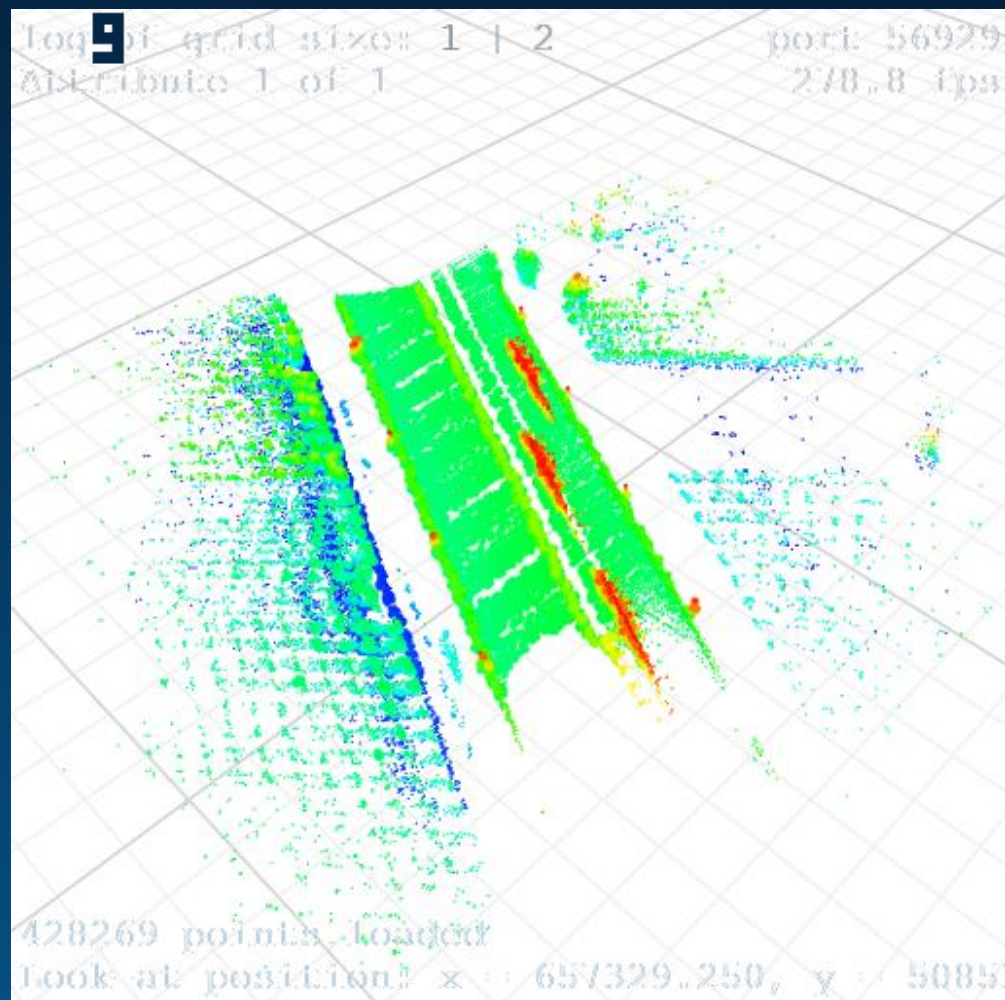
## TERRAIN MODEL - OUTLIERS



Elevation Map



## TERRAIN MODEL FOR INLIERS



Final Elevation Map



# WHAT DID WE LEARN?

- ▶ DTM and Point Cloud
- ▶ How to process and handle the raw data
- ▶ Visualize the 3d model in various ways

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