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Development and deployment of an optical micro-bathymetry platform for roughness measurement

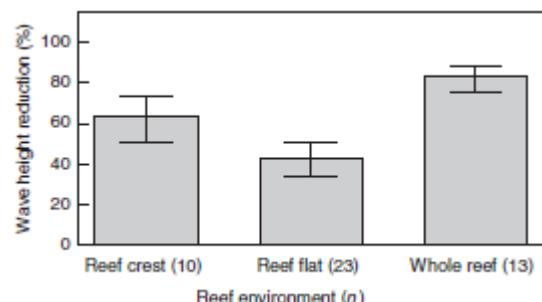
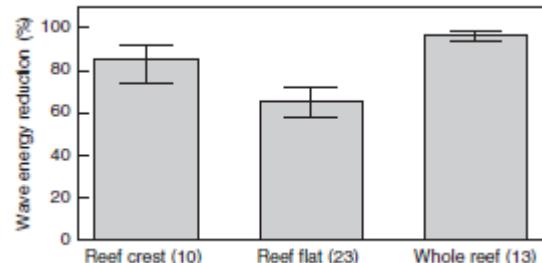
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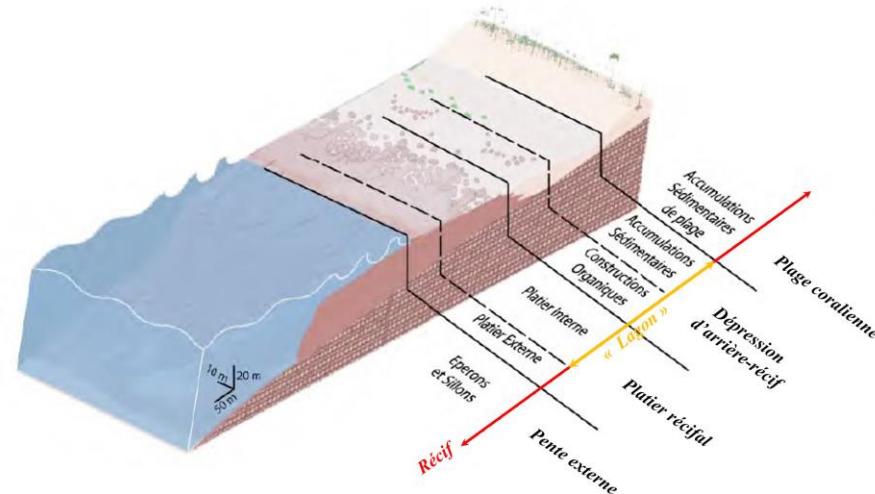
Master 2 internship thesis
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Coral Reef



Quantification graph of coral reef impacts on swell,
Ferrario et al. (2014)



Geomorphological distribution of a coral fringing reef: from outer slope to beach, after Montaggioni & Faure (1980)

60 to 97% reduction in incident swell (Ferrario et al., 2014)

Importance of the reef bed as a protective agent

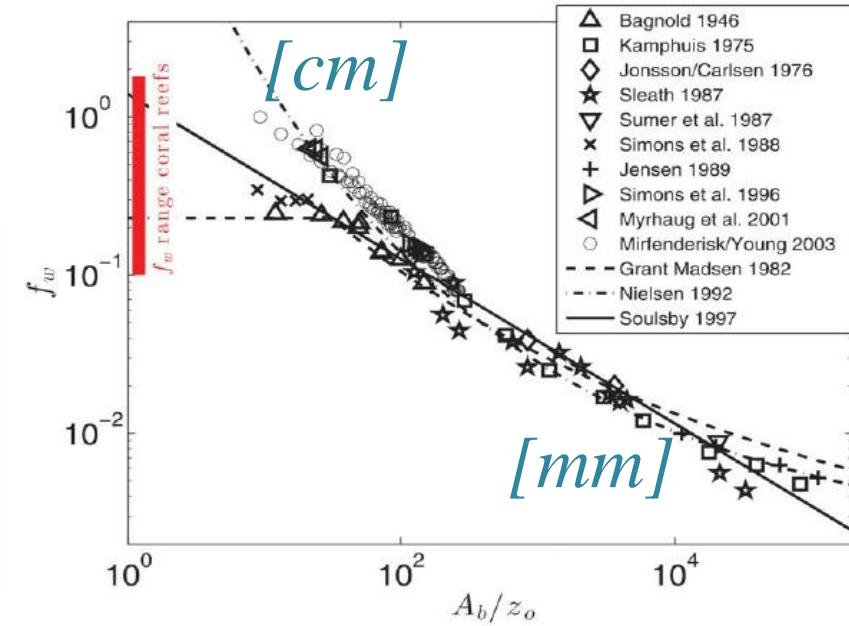
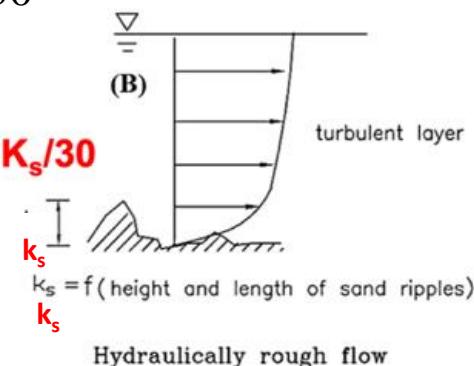
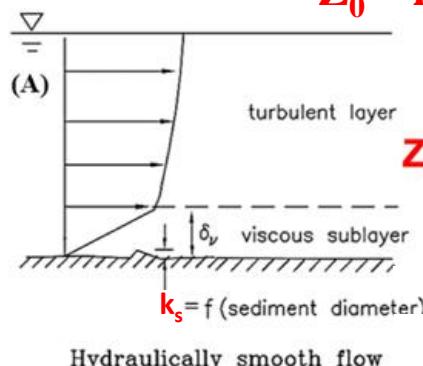
Rugosity

Hydrodynamic parameters

Wave energy dissipation coefficient : $f_w = A_b / Z_0$

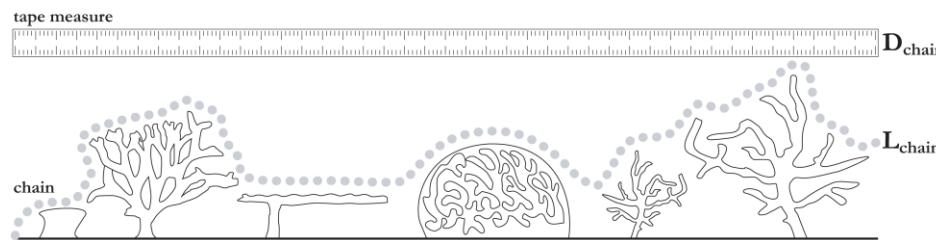
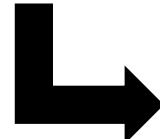
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coefficient : k_s

$$Z_0 = k_s / 30$$



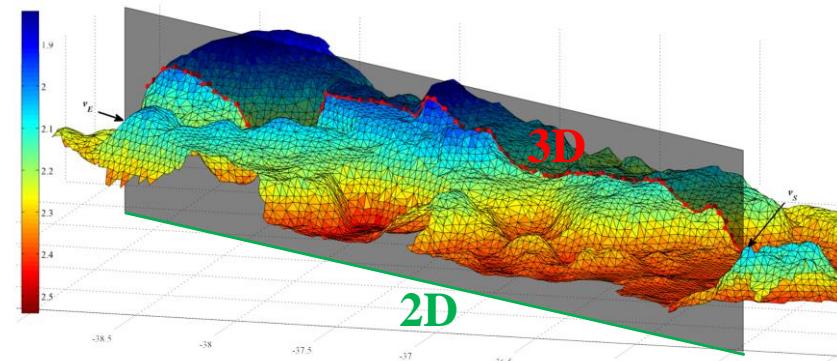
Structural Complexity

f_w linked to Structural Complexity (SC) ?
Relation between k_s and SC ?



« Chain and Tape » in situ (*Risk*, 1972)

Indicator of reef microtopography,
measured by the ratio
 $SC = 3D \text{ Length}/2D \text{ Length}$



« Chain and Tape » over 3D model (*Friedman et al.*, 2012)

Photogrammetric method

"Structure-from-Motion" (SfM) Photogrammetry (Friedman et al., 2012 ; Westoby et al., 2012)

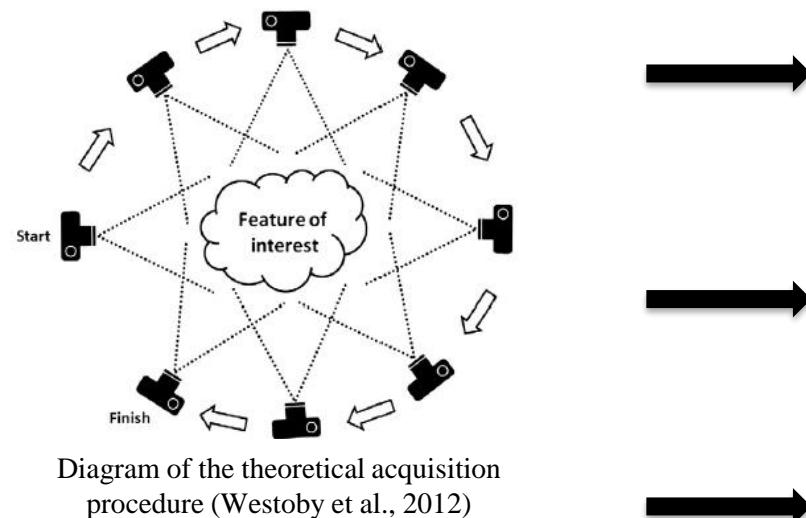


Diagram of the theoretical acquisition procedure (Westoby et al., 2012)

is based on the idea that the 3D structure of the imaged object can be reconstructed from a series of images acquired from different viewpoints

requires the acquisition of a **set of photographs with a high degree of overlap** (ideally 80%)

requires **multiple points of view to optimize coverage** of the three-dimensional structure of the object under study

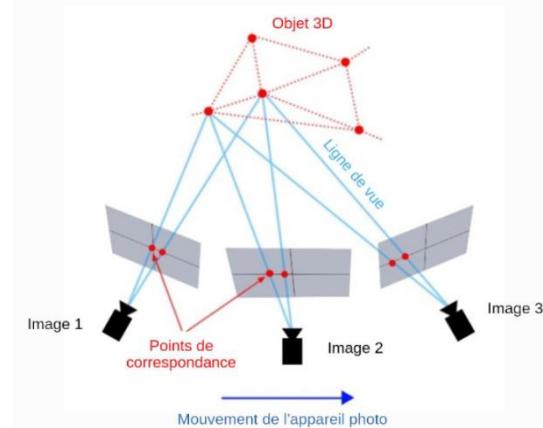
Photogrammetry applied to reefs

Aerial (flat) : drones (*Casella et al., 2016*), kites
(*Bryson et al., 2016*)

→ **Refraction and reflection of light at the air-water interface** = Underestimation of coral structure heights...

Underwater (slope or depth > 2m) : divers (*Burns et al., 2015 ; McCarthy et al., 2023*)

→ **Complicated georeferencing...**



Underwater photogrammetry acquisition principles (*Abadie et al., 2018*)

POSEIDON®

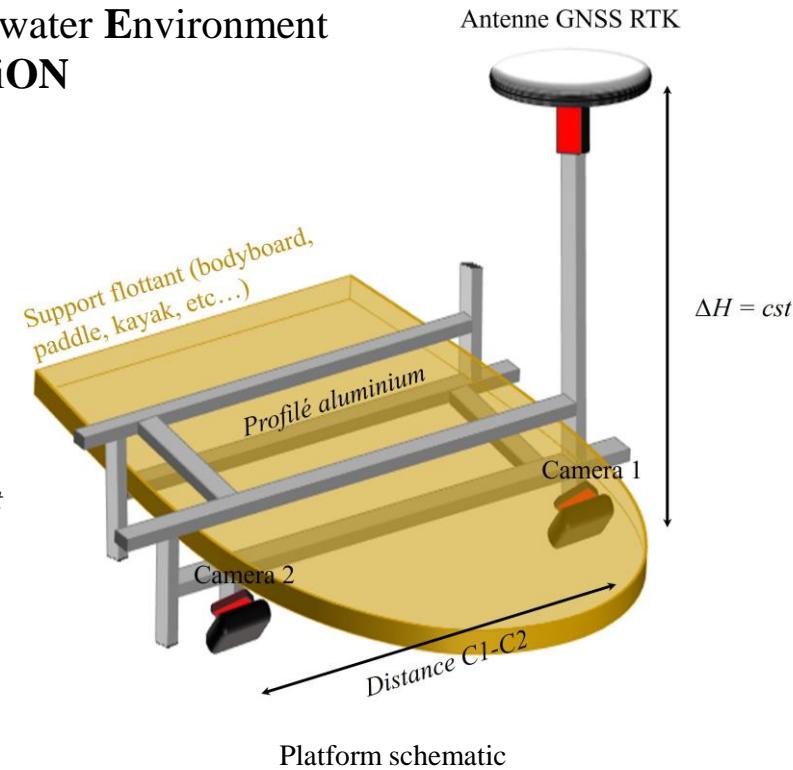
Platform Operating in Shallow-water Environment for Imaging and 3D reconstruction

Low-cost (1400€) & low-tech platform, fully modular

Underwater mapping using **optical bathymetry** (~~refraction~~), at (sub-)centimeter resolutions

GNSS - RTK (Global Navigation Satellite System - Real Time Kinematic) for **centimeter-precision georeferencing** and **geometrically accurate photogrammetric reconstruction** (*Jaud et al., 2020*)

Deployable in shallow water environments
($30 \text{ cm} < d < 5 \text{ m}$)



Platform schematic

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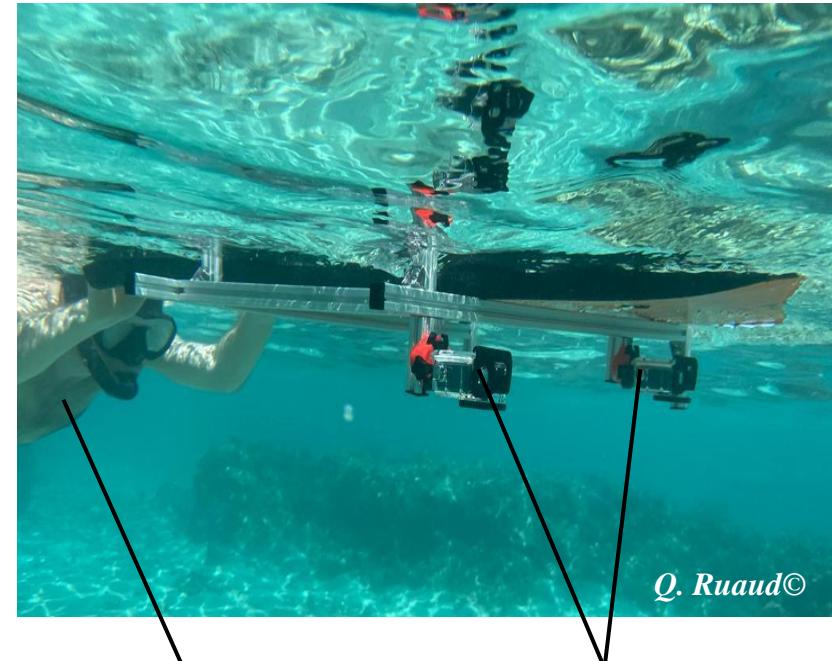
GNSS RTK antenna



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POSEIDON in its stand-up paddle (SUP) configuration

POSEIDON in its bodyboard configuration

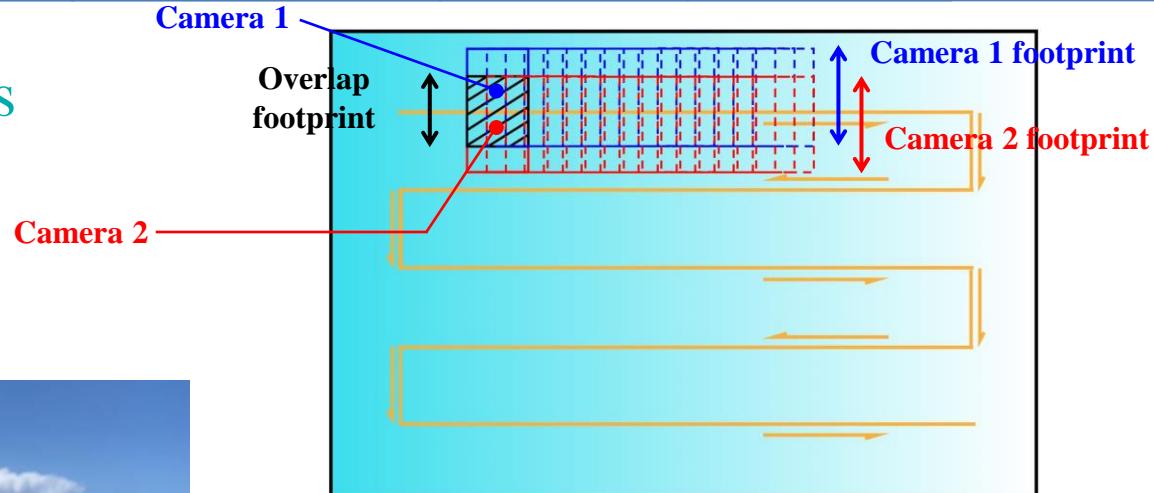


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Propulsion system

GoPro et waterproof
housings

Acquisition constraints



Clear water (no turbidity)

Low swell

Good light conditions

Coverage > 80%

Processing procedure

Data processing

* (Steps automated during internship)



python™

GoPro Videos

Viewing

Extraction of images

Assigning a GPS time to each image

Extraction and formatting of GPS data (time, latitude, longitude, altitude)

GNSS tracks

Matching images to GPS coordinates

3D model generation

DEM
Ortho-image



Metashape

Rugosity measurement : 

**from Digital Elevation
Model (DEM)**

Rugosity measurement : from DEM

Topographic Roughness Index = $\overline{\Delta Z}$ (3 pixels radius)

Rugosity = $Z_{\max} - Z_{\min}$ (5 pixels radius)

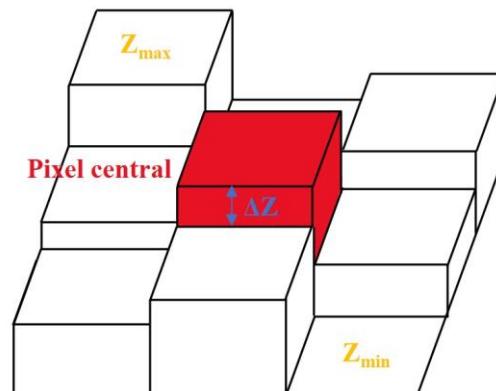


Diagram of roughness calculations in QGIS ([Riley et al., 1999](#) ; [Wilson et al., 2007](#))

Rugosity measurement :

from DEM

Indice topographique de rugosité = $\overline{\Delta Z}$ (dans un rayon de 3 pixels)

Rugosité = $Z_{\max} - Z_{\min}$ (dans un rayon de 5 pixels)

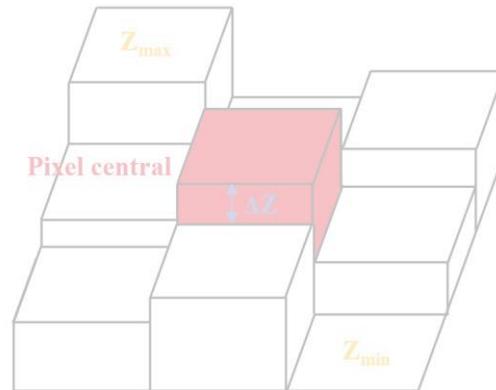


Schéma des calculs de rugosité sous QGIS (Riley et al., 1999 ; Wilson et al., 2007)

Structural Complexity = 3D/2D

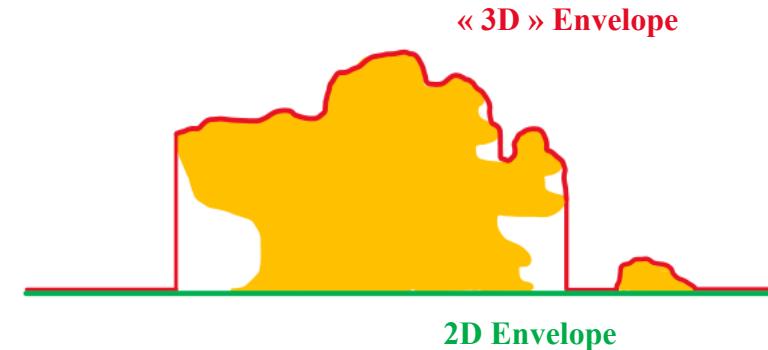


Diagram of structural complexity calculation in R (Fukunaga et al., 2019)

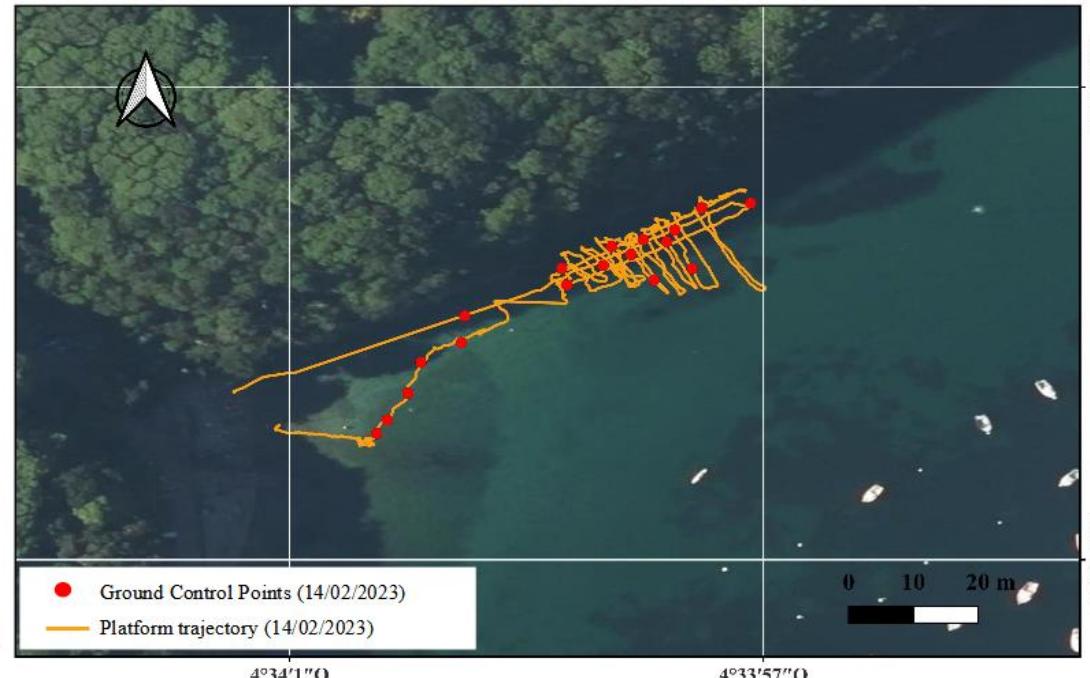
Anse du Dellec

Macrotidal zone = partial emersion during low spring tides

Site available for terrestrial and bathymetric surveys

Mean depth on site : 2.2 m

Comparison of 3D models (point clouds) obtained with CloudCompare



Map of the platform's trajectory during the February 2023 optical bathymetric survey and terrestrial topographic acquisition

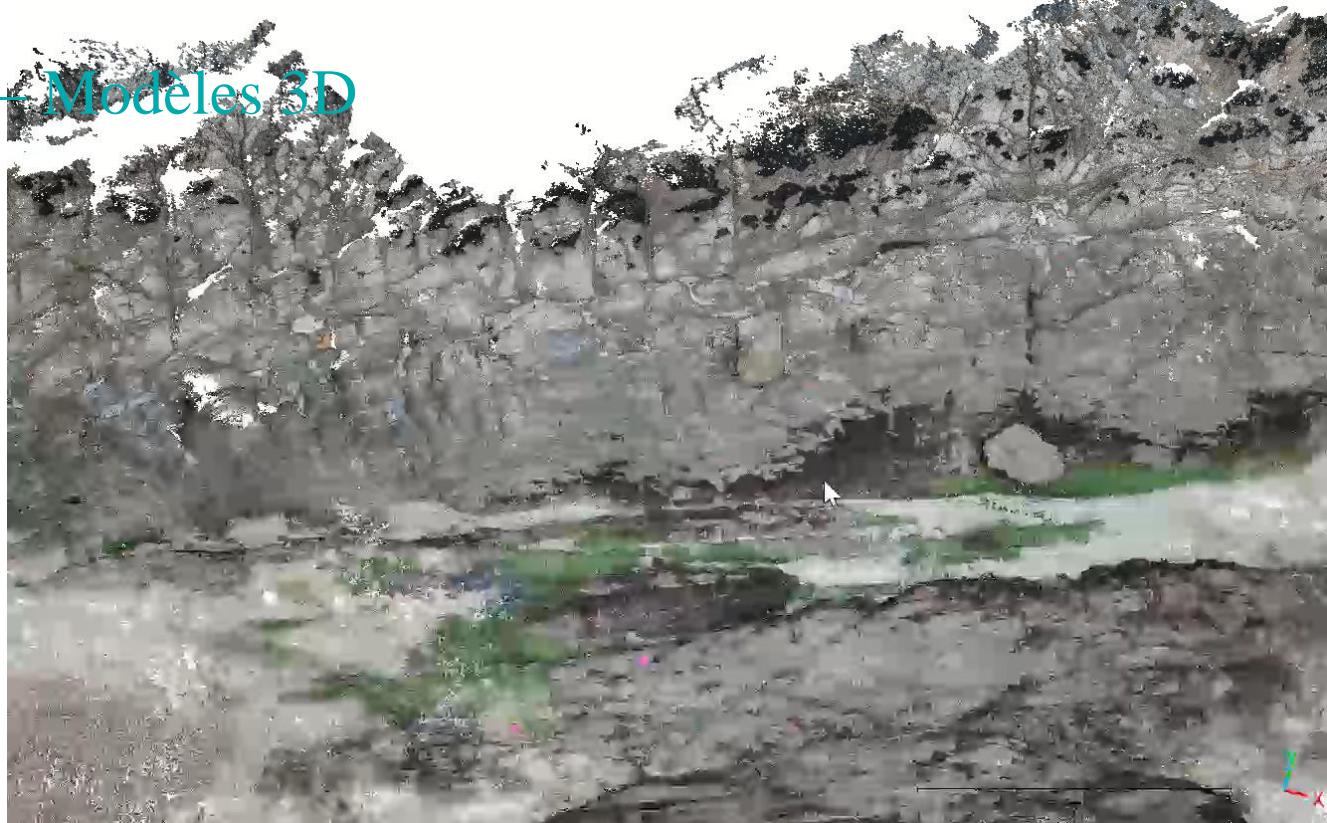
Anse du Dellec – Modèles 3D

+ de 400 000 000 points

7.68 points/cm²

Resolution
3.61 mm/px

61 m x 26 m



Dense point cloud from **terrestrial topographic survey** (Y = Northing ; X = Easting ; Z = height)

Anse du Dellec – Modèles 3D

+ de 450 000 000 points

37.8 points/cm²

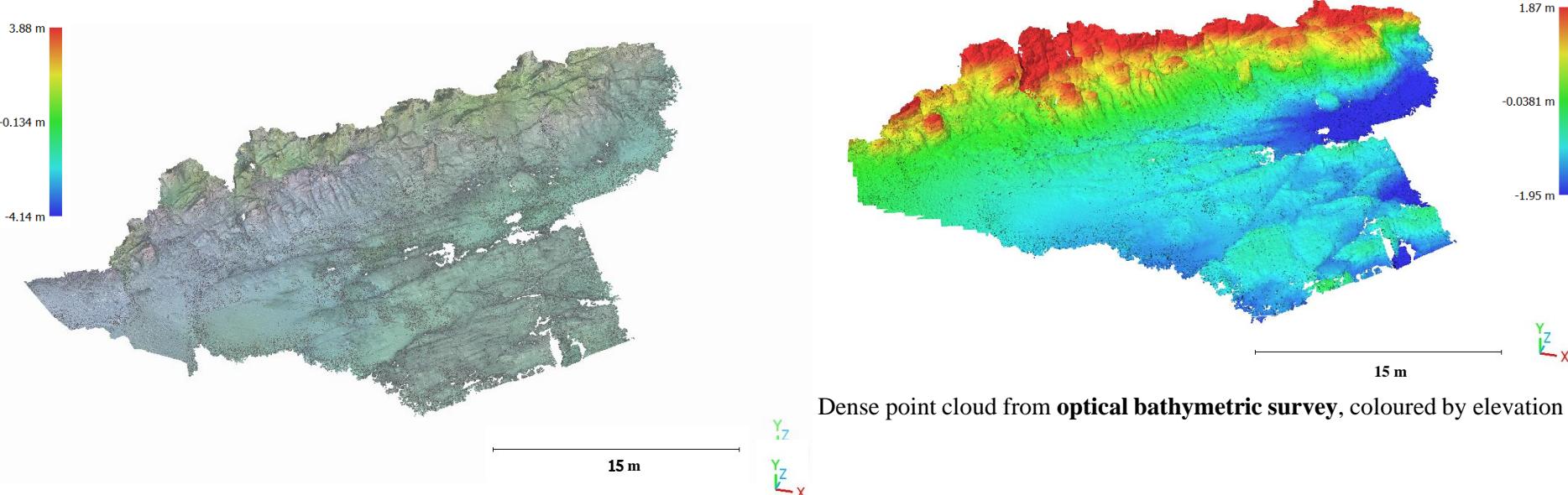
Resolution
1.63 mm/px

45 m x 18.5 m



Dense point cloud from **optical bathymetric survey** (Y = Northing ; X = Easting ; Z = height)

Anse du Dellec – Modèles 3D



Dense point cloud from **optical bathymetric survey**, coloured with RGB filter

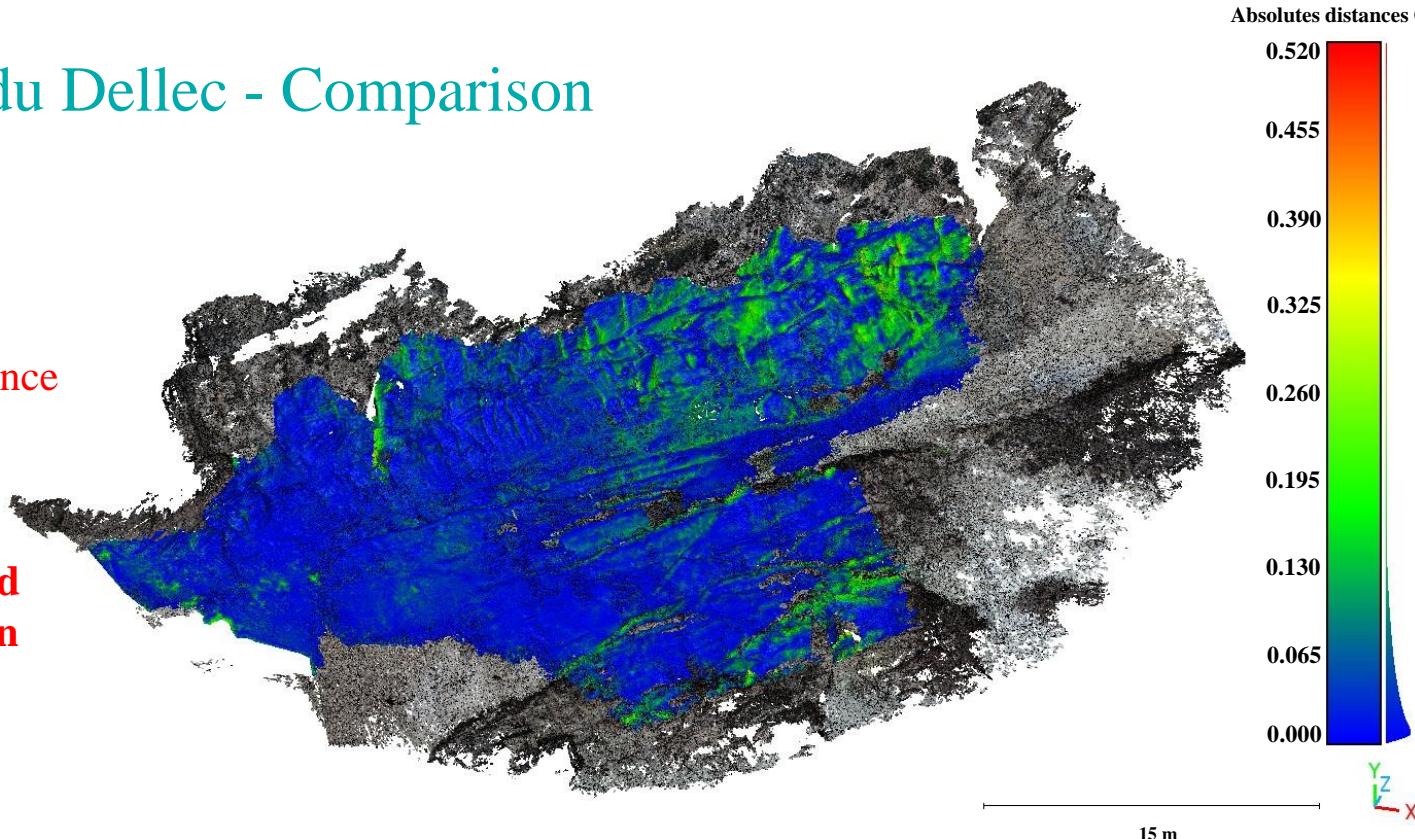
Dense point cloud from **optical bathymetric survey**, coloured by elevation

Y = Northing ; X = Easting ; Z = height

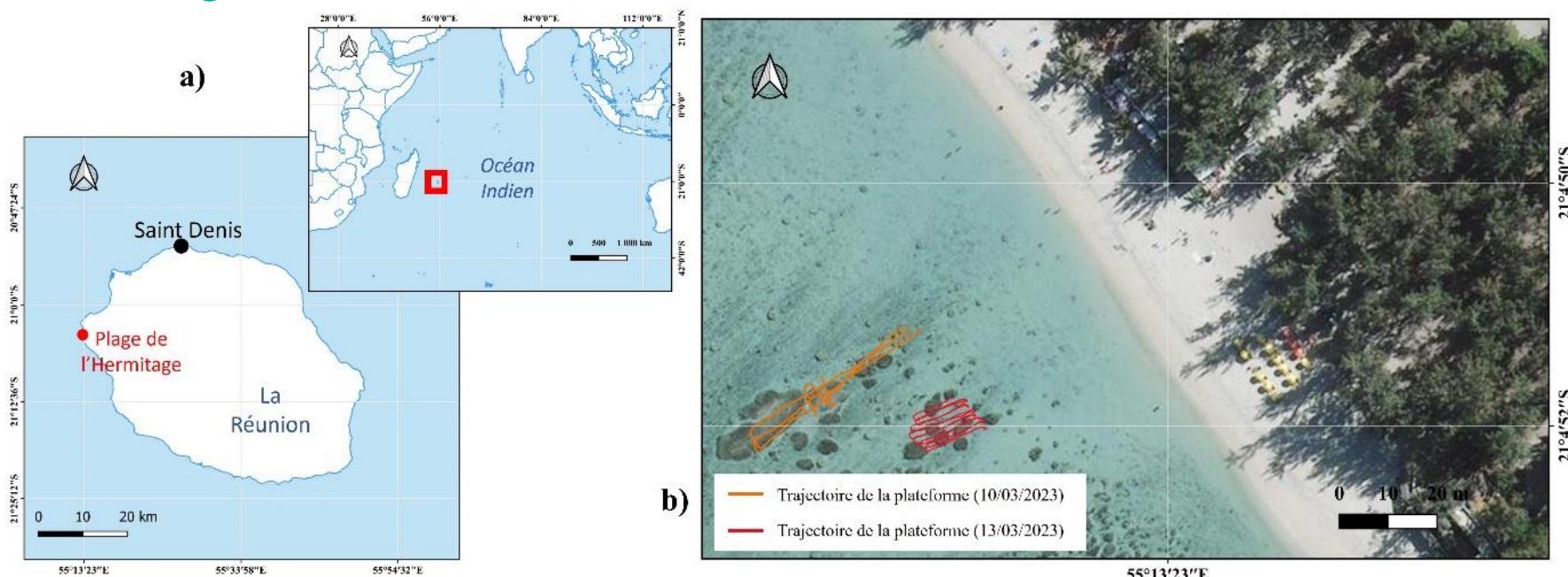
Anse du Dellec - Comparison

Mean distance
5.2 cm

Standard deviation
4.6 cm



Hermitage site

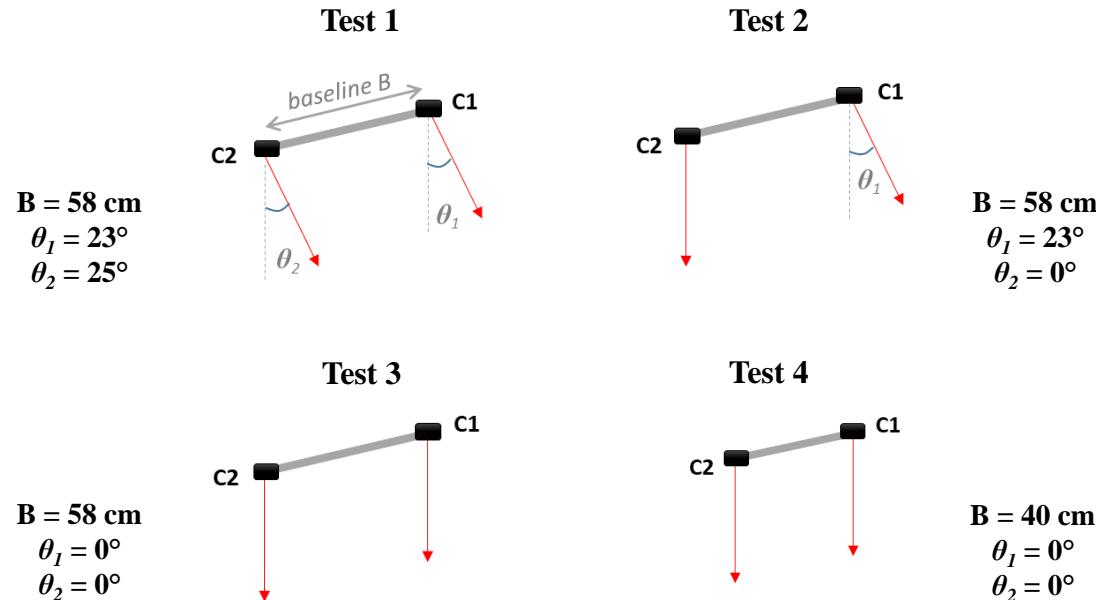


Location and trajectory maps of the platform during the March 2023 optical bathymetric survey at l'Hermitage

Acquisition at l'Hermitage

Different camera configurations to compare reconstruction qualities

Mean depth on site : 0.9 to 1
m



External platform parameters for March 2023 acquisitions at the Hermitage site

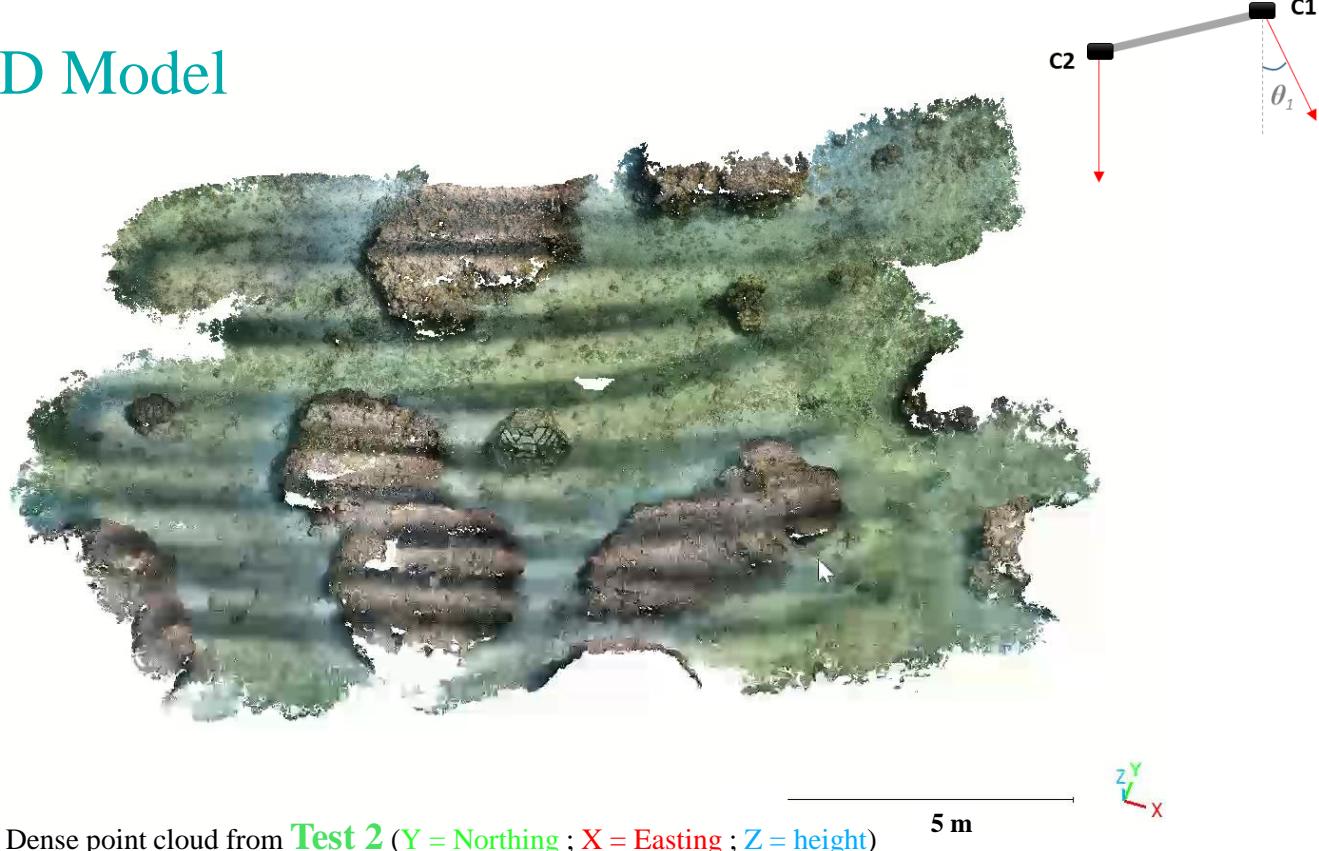
Hermitage site – 3D Model

≈ 590 000 000 points

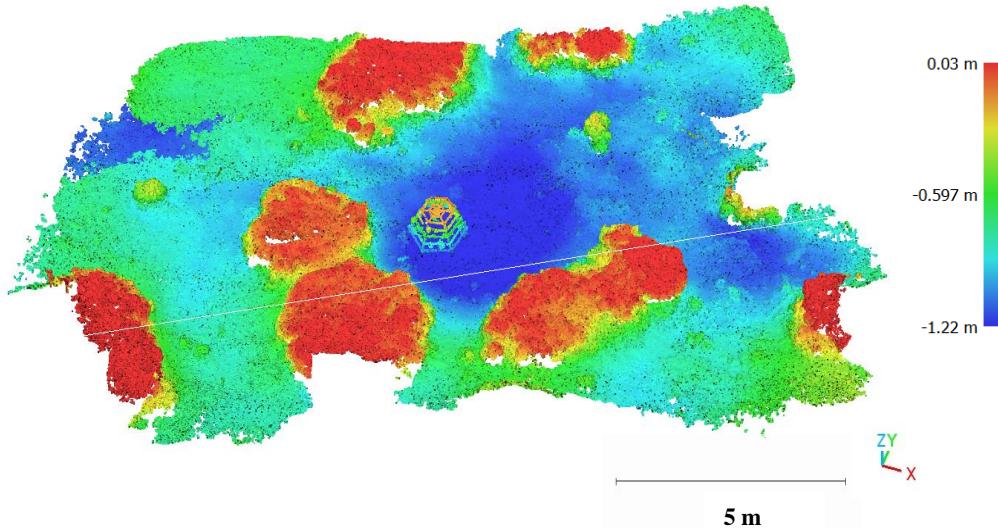
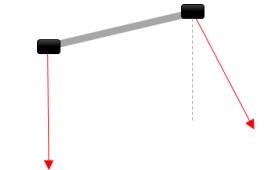
185 points/cm²

Resolution
0.74 mm/px

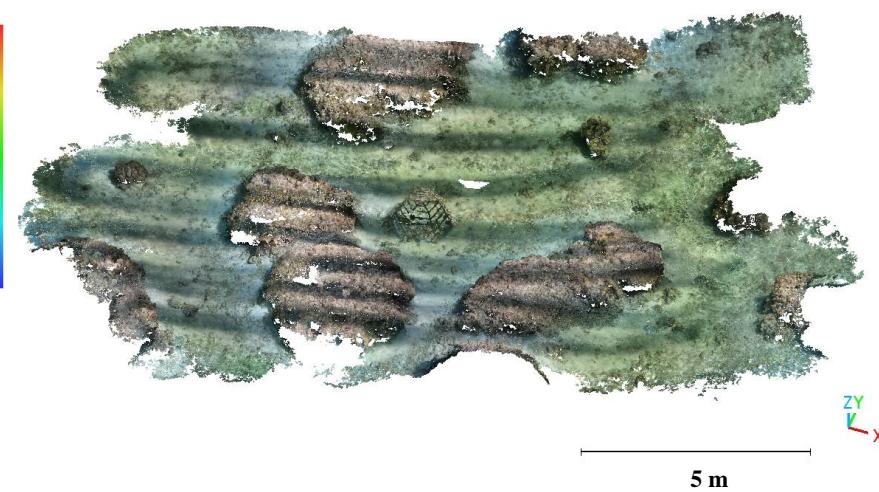
18 m x 10 m



Hermitage site – 3D Model



Dense point cloud from **Test 2**, coloured by elevation



Dense point cloud from **Test 2**, coloured with RGB filter

Y = Northing ; X = Easting ; Z = height

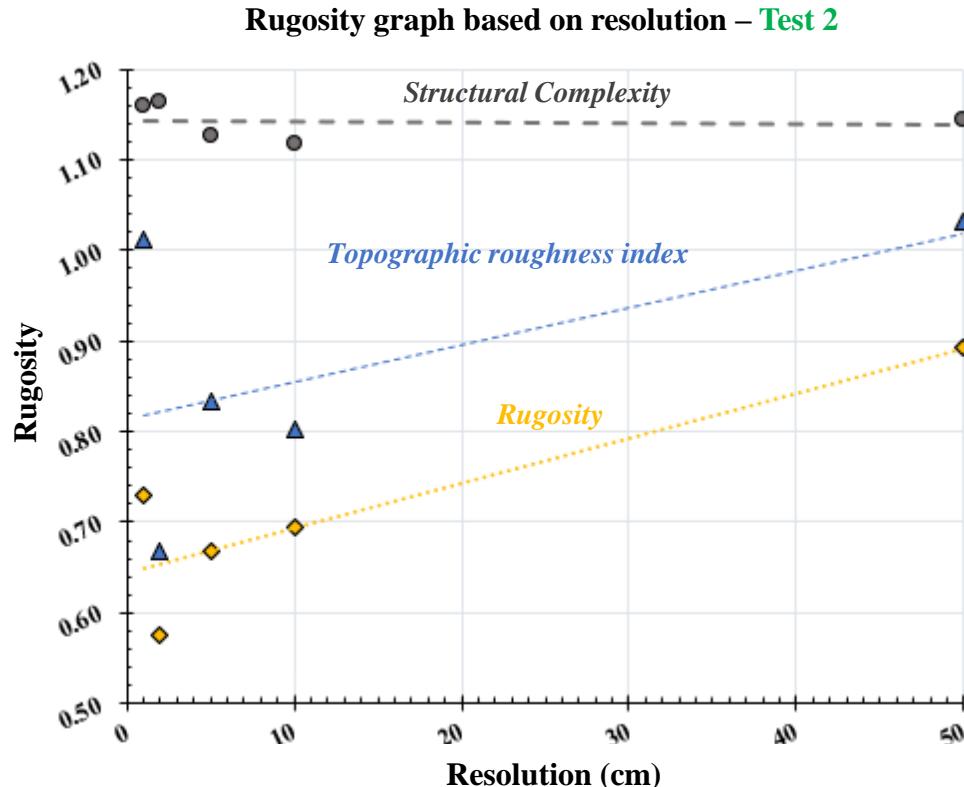
Hermitage site – Rugosity

Little variability in structural complexity

Topographic roughness index high at highest and lowest resolutions, increases with decreasing resolution

Same for Roughness

« Chain and Tape » in situ ≈ 1.22



Rugosity – 3D Model

Résolution (cm)	Topographic Roughness Index	Rugosity	Structural Complexity
1	1.01	0.73	1.16
2	0.67	0.58	1.16
5	0.83	0.67	1.13
10	0.80	0.69	1.12
50	1.03	0.89	1.14

50cm cell



10cm cell



1cm cell



Structures impacting rugosity recorded by digital elevation model cells at different resolutions

Rugosity – 3D Model

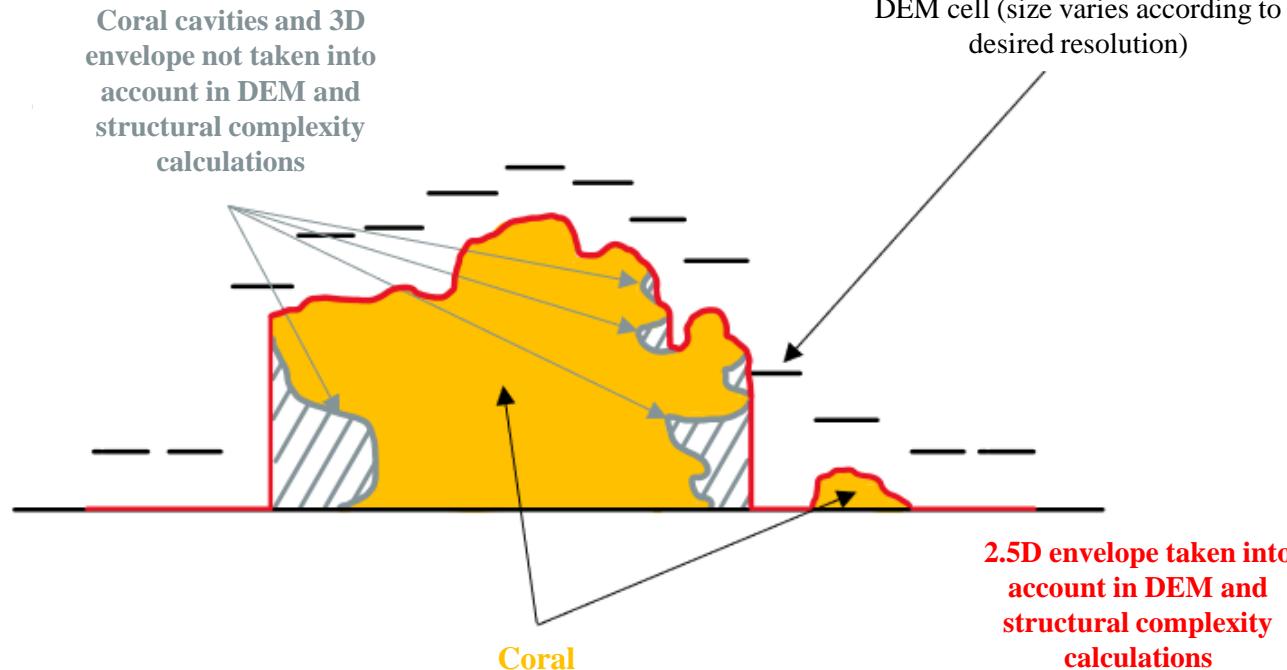


Diagram of the problem of areas not considered in the 3D model during DEM generation (2.5D model)

What should we remember?

- POSEIDON is a **working prototype** and offers a platform for **optical bathymetry**
- Possible improvements to the platform (motorization: Ifremer Plancha) and protocol (automated image processing)
- Quid about modeling tabular corals ? Importance of resolution? Need for 3D vs. 2.5D?
- The use of POSEIDON and work on roughness will be continued in the **interdisciplinary Futurisk project**

Thanks for your attention

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Good day

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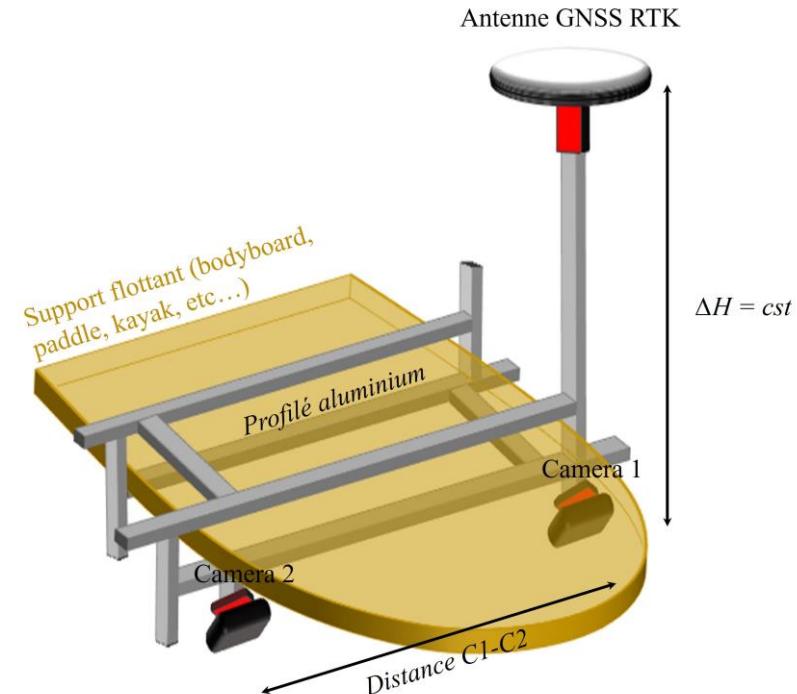
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Underwater photogrammetry

Modèle	Créateur/Fabricant	Année	Prix (\$)	Usage	Profondeur
<i>Reef Rover</i>	Raber et Schill (USA)	2019	3426	Scientifique	< 20 m
<i>Blueye Pionner</i>	Blueye (Norvège)	2021	7000	Industriel / Scientifique / Etat	< 300 m
<i>Seaviews</i>	Photocean (France)	2018	4350	Industriel / Scientifique	< 15 m
<i>SQUID-5</i>	USGS (USA)	2020	Non-communiqué	Scientifique	Dépend de la turbidité
<i>SeaArray</i>	Marine Imaging Technology (USA)	2020	500/jour	Scientifique	Dépend de la turbidité
<i>BlueROV2</i>	Bluerobotics (USA)	2022	5720	Industriel / Scientifique / Etat	< 300 m
<i>Perception ROV Skids</i>	Voyis (Canada)	2020	Non-communiqué	Industriel / Scientifique / Etat	< 1000 m
<i>Seaeye Falcon</i>	Saab (Royaume-Uni)	2020	106 000	Industriel	< 300 m

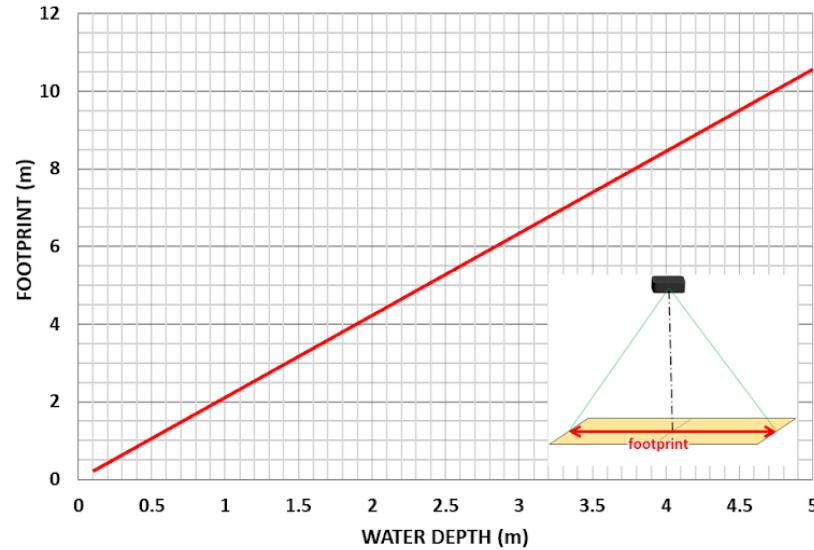
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Matériel	Unité		Prix (€)
	Achetée	Utilisée	
GoPro Hero Black 7	2	2	550
Caissons étanches GoPro	2	2	50
Cartes SD 128 Go	2	2	30
Sparkfun Rover RTK Facet	1	1	600
Bodyboard	1	1	30
Profilés aluminium 20mm	3 x 3 m	1 x 50 cm	
		4 x 70 cm	
		2 x 40 cm	91
		3 x 15cm	
		2 x 6cm	
Embouts plastique	1 sachet de 10	9	10
Équerres de fixation	1 sachet de 20	14	12
Écrous à tête marteau	4 sachets de 10	34	19
Boulons poêlier	1 boîte de 50	34	13
Rondelles plates	1 boîte de 100	28	6
Support GoPro	2	2	/
Support GPS	1	1	/
		1411	Total

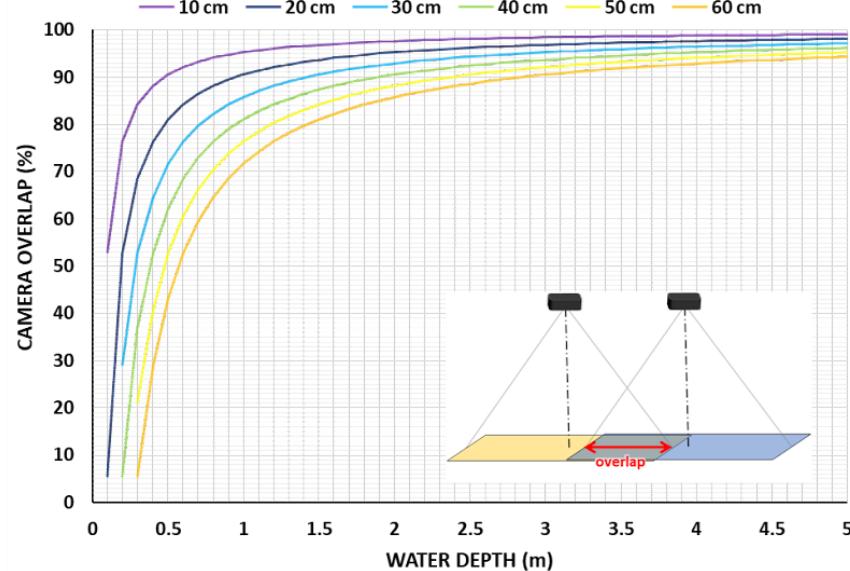


POSEIDON – Abaque

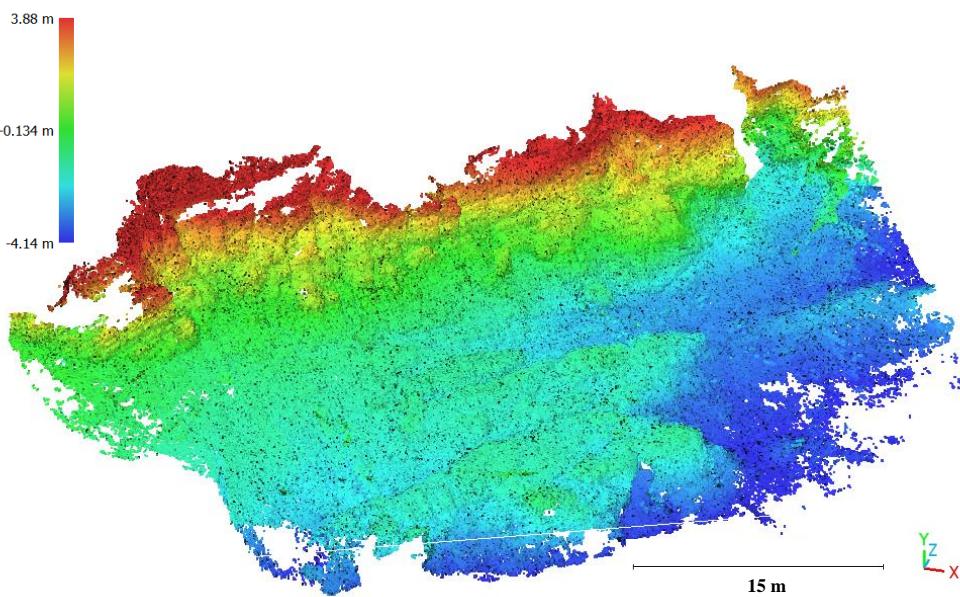
a) Footprint (for 1 camera) according to depth



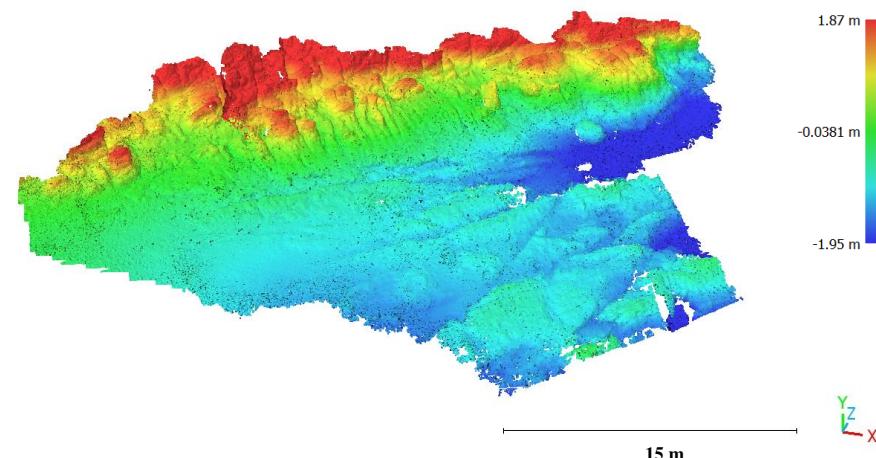
b) Camera overlap according to depth and inter-camera distance



Anse du Dellec – 3D Model



Dense point cloud from **terrestrial topographic survey**, coloured by elevation



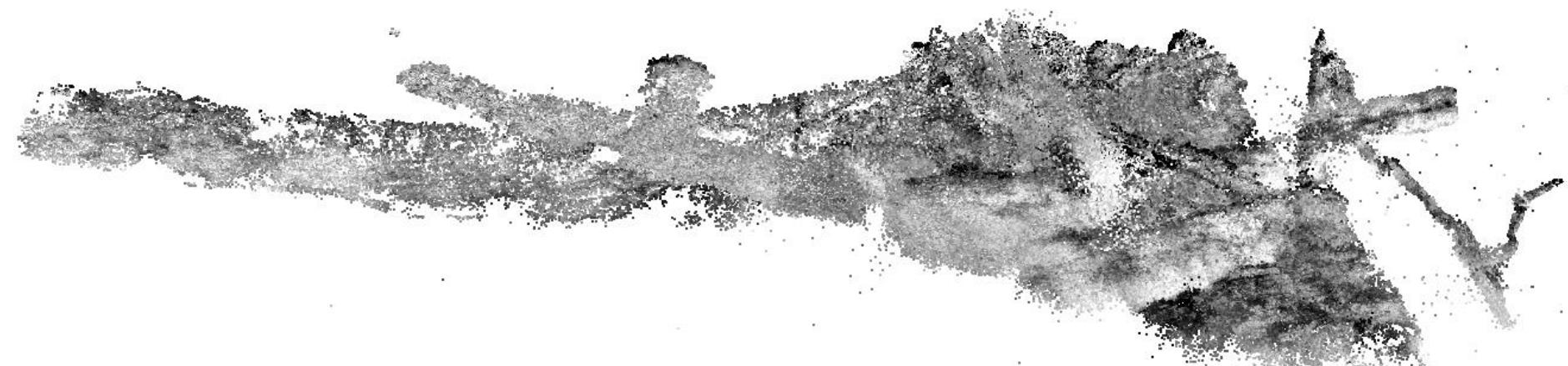
Dense point cloud from **optical bathymetric survey**, coloured by elevation

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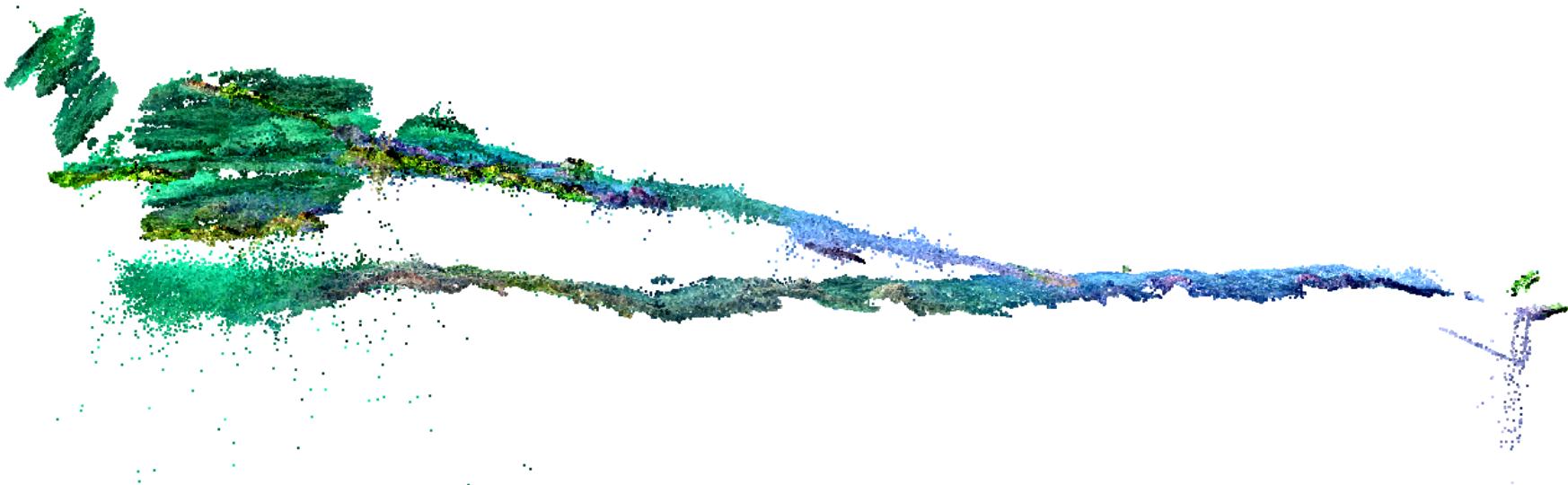
Anse du Dellec – Modern Art



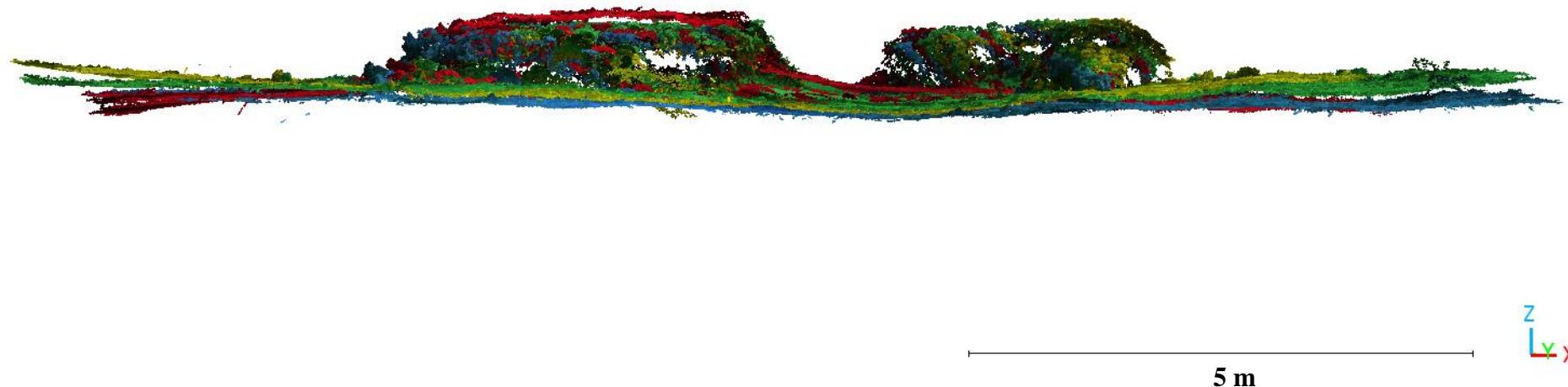
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Site de l'Hermitage – 3D Models



Superimposing a section of the dense point clouds from each **test** (**Y** = Northing ; **X** = Easting ; **Z** = height) – Lateral view