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Photogrammetric Techniques for Evaluation and

Analysis of Concrete Structures and Specimens

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Civil Infrastructure Deterioration

- As Civil engineers across America struggle to push back the dividend of a necessary investment, new techniques need to be brought to light and old ones need to be reformed.
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Category	1988*	1998	2001	2005	2009	2013
Aviation	B-	C-	D	D+	D	D
Bridges	17	C-	С	С	С	C+
Dams	-	D	D	D+	D	D
Drinking Water	B-	D	D	D-	D-	D
Energy	-	-	D+	D	D+	D+
Hazardous Waste	D	D-	D+	D	D	D
Inland Waterways	B-	1420	D+	D-	D-	D-
Levees	-			-	D-	D-
Public Parks and Recreation	-	121	-	C-	C-	C-
Rail	-	-	-	C-	C-	C+
Roads	C+	D-	D+	D	D-	D
Schools	D	F	D-	D	D	D
Solid Waste	C-	C-	C+	C+	C+	B-
Transit	C-	C-	C-	D+	D	D
Wastewater	С	D+	D	D-	D-	D
Ports	-	- <u>1</u>	-	-	-	С
America's Infrastructure GPA	С	D	D+	D	D	D+
Cost to Improve	-	-	\$1.3 trillion	\$1.6 trillion	\$2.2 trillion	\$3.6 trillio

*The first infrastructure grades were given by the National Council on Public Works Improvements in its report Fragile Foundations: A Report on America's Public Works, released in February 1988. ASCE's first Report Card for America's Infrastructure was issued a decade later.

(Source: ASCE 2013 infrastructure report card.)

Civil Infrastructure Deterioration

• On April 8, 2015 the MBTA submitted an action plan which called for the transformation of the MBTA due to what they describe as "pervasive structural failures"

	Asset Category	# of Assets	Replacement Value	SGR Score	SGR Backlog Amount	% of Total Backlog
	Revenue Vehicles	20,262	\$6,807,342,488	2.83	\$2,634,418,286	39.4%
	Bridges	1,335	\$5,148,275,301	3.39	\$799,663,040	11.9%
	Signals	401	\$2,900,740,296	2.57	\$1,369,027,122	20.5%
	Stations	50,054	\$2,699,874,652	3.86	\$255,984,809	3.8%
MBTA	Facilities	2,855	\$1,527,289,845	3.19	\$477,930,928	7.1%
Reported:	Track/ROW	129	\$823,254,368	2.69	\$304,603,884	4.6%
Reported.	Power	3,047	\$793,073,100	2.18	\$462,319,775	6.9%
	Parking	47,215	\$228,188,855	2.12	\$172,050,515	2.6%
	Communications	15,334	\$172,916,740	4.25	\$3,195,090	0.0%
	Technology	1,092	\$138,231,180	1.39	\$131,592,980	2.0%
	Tunnels	67	\$132,750,000	3.10	\$24,000,000	0.4%
	Non-Revenue Vehicles	1,089	\$77,414,330	2.70	\$33,724,000	0.5%
	Fare Collection	2,982	\$64,152,548	3.79	\$425,000	0.0%
	Elevators and Escalators	338	\$49,370,000	2.94	\$22,950,000	0.3%
		146,200	\$21,562,873,703	3.05	\$6,691,885,429	100%
MBTA						

"Some have called the winter of 2015 a 'stresstest' for the MBTA While the MBTA 'survived' the test, shortterm costs were significant in disruption, economic losses, and public and private hardship. The long-term costs are even more troubling: the loss of public confidence in our regional transit system." (MBTA panel report)

Source: MBTA

(Source: MBTA Panel Report)

- Civil Infrastructure Deterioration
 - On July 10th, 2015 a piece of debris fell from the Commonwealth Ave. in Boston down to Mass Ave below
 - Anderson bridge in Harvard restoration costs the state millions





(Source: The Boston Herald (photo by Chitose Suzuki))

(Source: The Boston Globe (photo by Daniel Ryan))

Civil Infrastructure Deterioration

"Most of our road, rail, water, sewer, electric power, wired telephone, and other distributed systems infrastructure are old and in need of repair. Our ports, airports, and rail terminals are archaic, ill designed, badly run, and *poorly maintained*. Levees, coastal defenses, and dams often lack effective inspection and

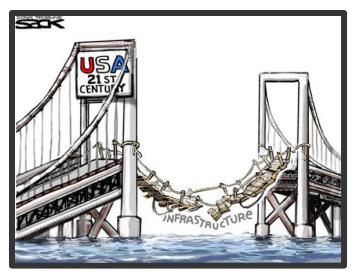
maintenance"

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st. G Frankel America's Infrastructure Ernst G. Frankel Engineering Dilemma, M.I.T Faculty newsletter, Vol. XX No. 1 September/October 2007)



(Source: Sustainable Cities Collective, website)

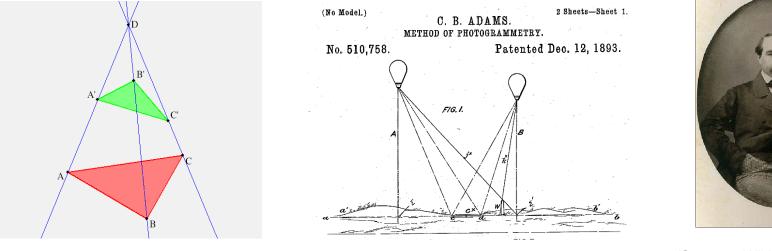


(Source: Steve Sack politic Cartoonist Star Tribune)

Objective

To investigate how photogrammetry can be used to create geometrically accurate point cloud models PCM which can be used on laboratory specimens as well as in-situ structures. Furthermore, how PCM can be used for visual inspection as well as data integration of Synthetic aperature radar (SAR), rebound hammer (RBH), and digital image correlation (DIC) results. As well as how photogrammetric PCM can be used to conduct condition assessment including geometric analysis, surface crack profiling, mechanical loading analysis and even finite element modeling (FEM).

 (1648) Girard Desargues opens the scientific field of projective geometry with his theorem Desargue's Theorem which identifies a center of perspective and axis of perspectivity.



(**Source:** http://new.math.uiuc.edu/)

(Source: PBS GIS)

(Source: Wiki- public images)

 (1849) Aime` Laussedat develops Metrophotography, which is photographic surveying for maps. Coined as the *father of photogrammetry*

Image Capturing

- Image collection techniques are broken into two key sub-categories.
- Nadir and Oblique Photogrammetry

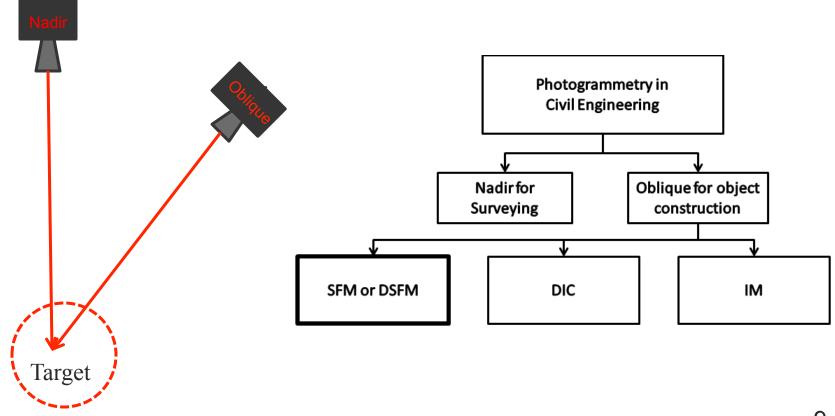
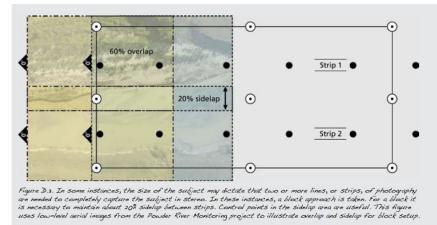


Image Capturing

- Nadir- Aerial is image taking from directly above (90°) the Point of interest
- This approach is meant for aerial mapping of large areas rather than singular structures, and is thereby effective for imaging of large masses of land.
- Most of the current UAV Photogrammetry is in this fashion



(Source: Beaurea of land Management)

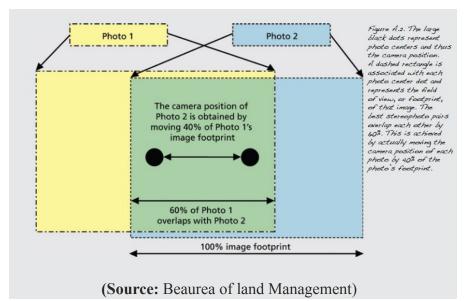
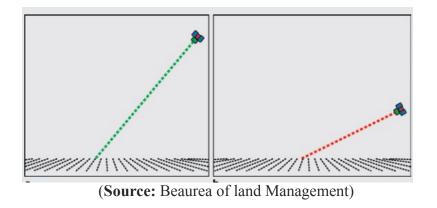
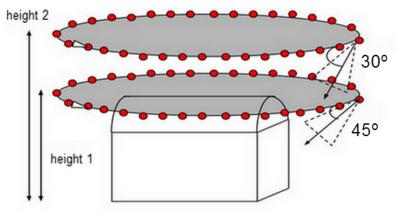


Image Capturing

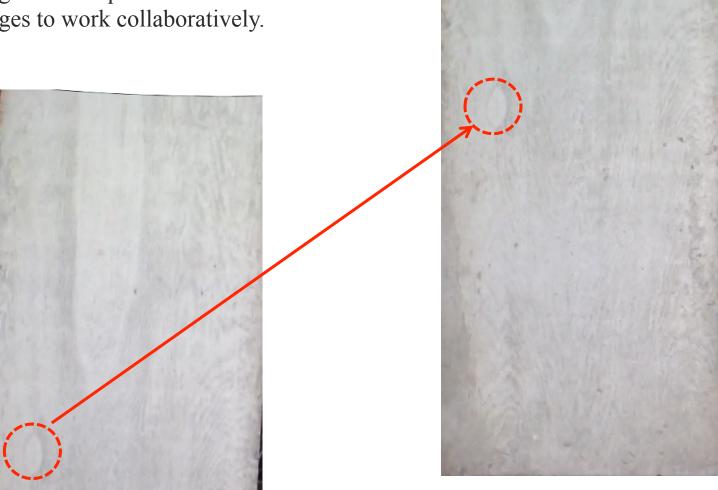
- **Oblique Targeting** is image capturing aimed (obliquely) at one structure and uses multiple image perspectives and angels to triangulate and calculate dimensions.
- If the oblique angle is too acute the image is lacking a lot of spatial recognition. Between 30°- 90° is recommended.





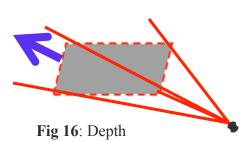
(Source: Pix4d support website)

 Photogrammetry uses key points to match images to start creating the models. This means that their needs to be overlap in the images. Overlap is essential for images to work collaboratively.



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- Depth is the in or out of plane distances in a 2D image. Or the imaginary third dimension in a flat picture
- In a single 2D image depth perception is a non quantifiable illusion. It is however possible to use multiple perspectives to create a stereo depth perception.
- By locating all of the differences between two identical points in an image it is possible to start location 3D information which in turn helps create a 3D image.



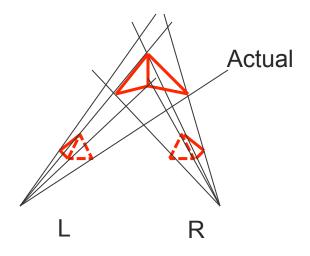
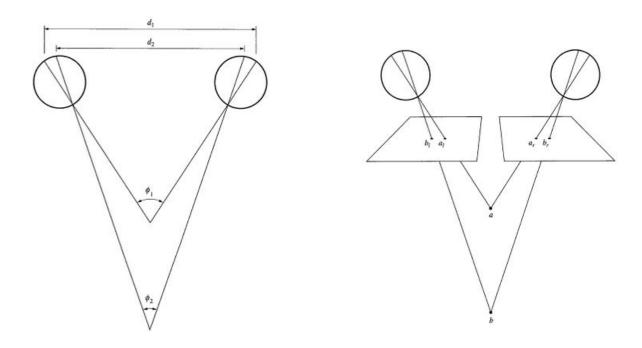


Fig 17: Stereo Depth

Extracting Depth

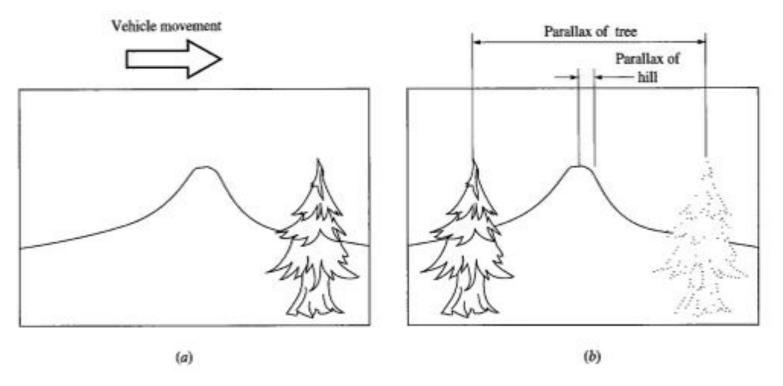
• To extract information about depth from photographs we need multiple perspectives. The triangulation of stereovision, allows for computation of depth in the a similar way to that of the human eyes



(Source: Introduction to Modern Photogrammetry)

Extracting Depth

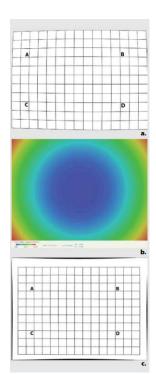
The concept of parallax is another way to interpret depth from photographs. Parallax is the relative relationship between distance from perspective, and movement. (I.E.) an object farther away move much slower than objects close by. <u>Parallax and proximity are inversely related</u>. By studying the movement of key points with respect to time the program is able to establish a sense of relative depth.



(Source: Introduction to Modern Photogrammetry)

Snells law (refraction) distortion, and resolution

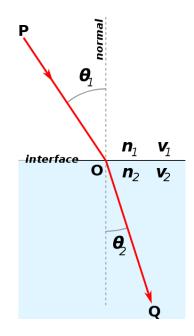
• The software's modeling computation must also take into account problems which arise from the refraction of light as it enters the medium of the lens. This refraction modeled after snells law must be corrected for. Certain lenses also have fisheye (radial) distortion, and all have their own resolution. The better camera on the UAV, the better the results will be when the software computes the 3D model.



$$\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

(Snells Law)

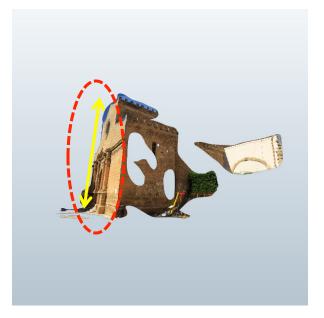
Resolution is the ability to distinguish two light sources from another and an image background. It is a representation of the amount of information stored in the image. A high resolution image will contain more pixels, data, and information per square inch.



Calibration of the models scale

- In order to correctly analyze any of the 3D information found through photogrammetric approaches, a definite scale needs to be implemented. This means correctly defining a known length and defining it in the model.
- By defining one length, we can thereby define the scale as the aspect ratio of the model is fixed and accurate.





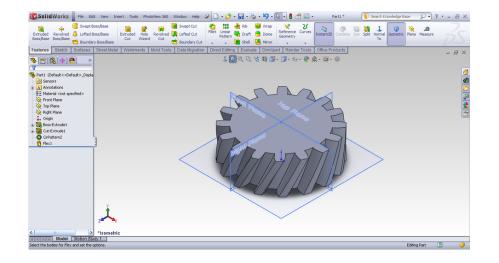
(Source: 123D Catch model gallery)

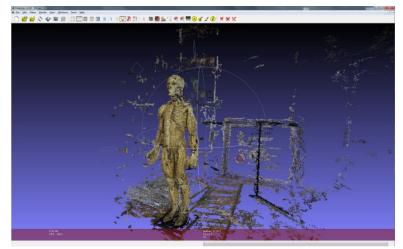
- Software Packages
 - 123D-Catch (Autodesk)TM photoscanning photogrammetric point cloud generating software, non-commercial
 - Agisoft PhotscanTM photoscanning photogrammetric point cloud generating software, commercial
 - MeshlabTM open-source software that allows for qualitative and quantitative evaluation of point cloud and mesh models
 - Cloud Compare TM open-source software that allows for qualitative and quantitative evaluation of point cloud and mesh models

- Solidworks Models
 - Provide a more naïve model for analysis

Point Cloud and Mesh Models

Provide geometrically accurate models



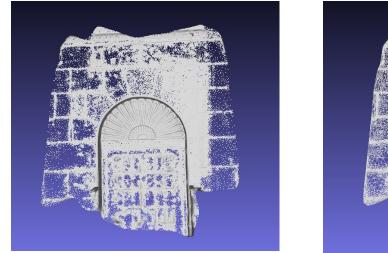


(Source: Solidworks tutorial)

(Source: Syracuse university design works)

• What is a Point Cloud?

Once the computation for relative perspective locations start to calibrate, and keypoints are aligned. The software will place points in a relative 3D space which will make up what is referred to as a point cloud model. Triangular mesh from the relationship between points is a Mesh model. And by adding a "texture" of the relative images we establish the final model.



Point Cloud





Mesh

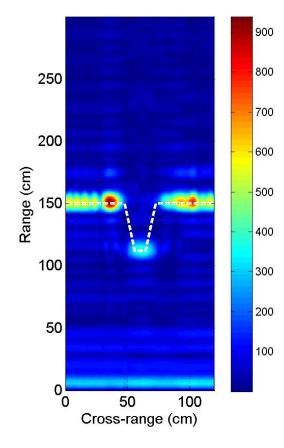
Final

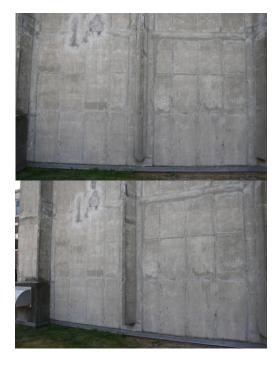
(Source: 123D catch model gallery)

Other Approaches (SAR)

• Synthetic Aperature Radar Imaging is :

A subsurface imaging process based on the relative amplitudes of reflected microwave responses.



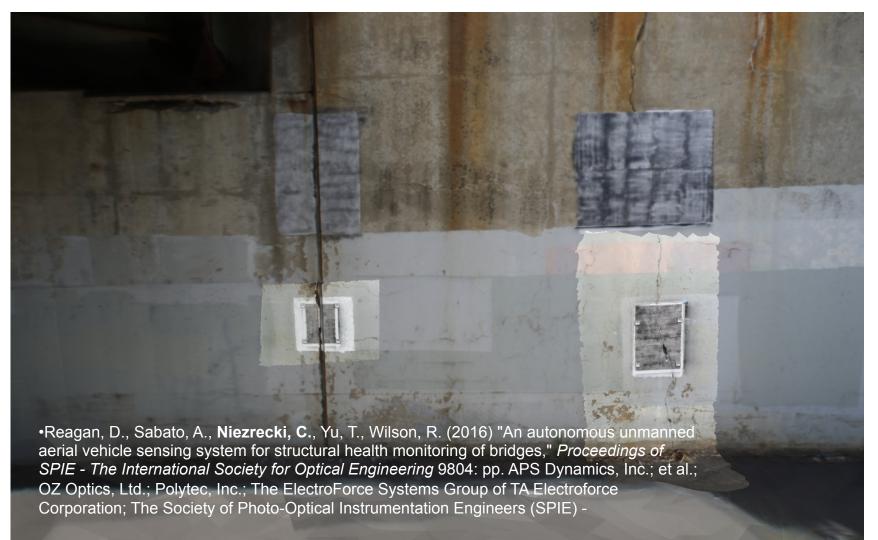


Yu, T., J. Owusu-Twumasi, V. Le, Q. Tang, D'Amico N, (2016), "Surface and Subsurface Remote Sensing of Concrete Structures using Synthetic Aperture Radar Imaging", *ASCE, Journal of Structural Engineering (Accepted)*

Background (DIC)

Digital Image Correlation:

A photogrammetric method for calculating strain information.

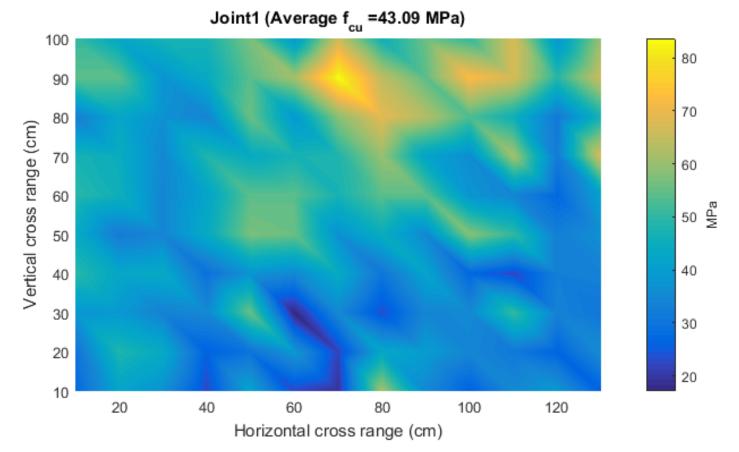


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Other Approaches (RBH)

Rebound Hammer:

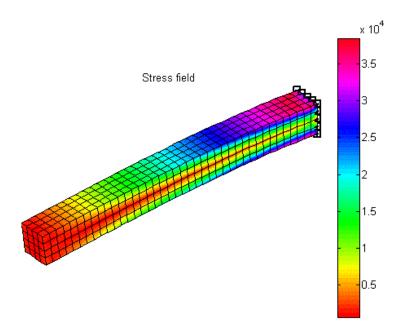
An acoustic NDE technique for locating areas of damage in structures.



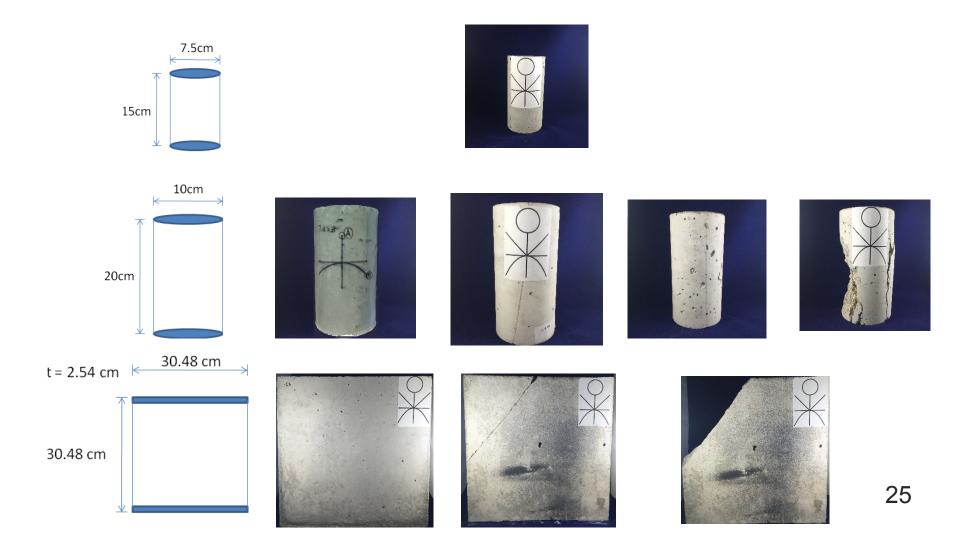
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• Finite Element Modeling is :

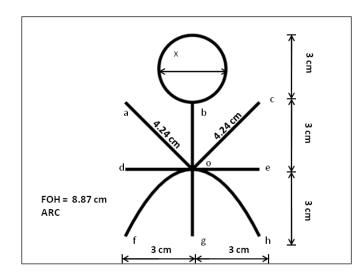
Constructing a model of finitely defined mesh sections for numerical analysis.

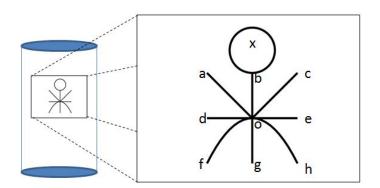


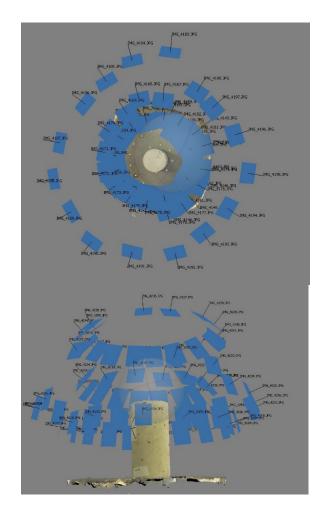




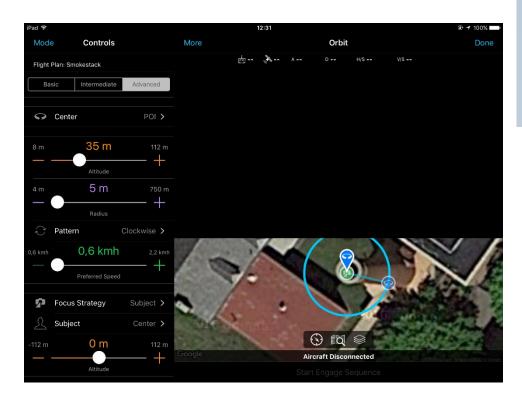
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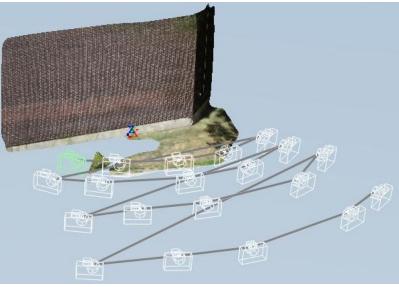






- In-Situ acquisition scheme
 - Terrestrial
 - UAV airborne



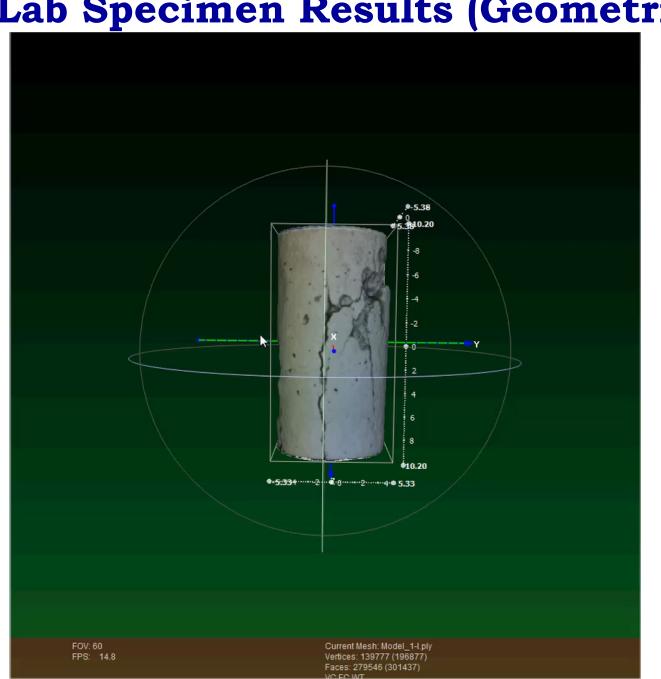


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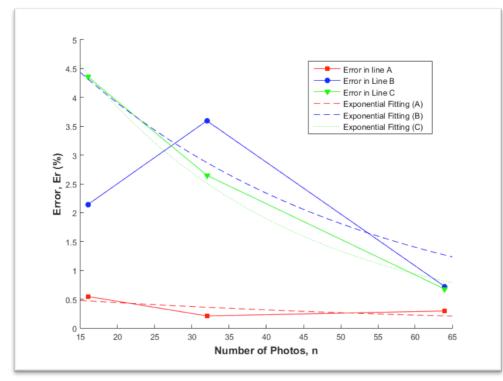
In-Situ acquisition scheme

- Terrestrial
- UAV airborne
- VIDEO ON THIS SLIDE WAS TOO LARGE TO SEND
- (its an autopilot demonstration using the UAV)

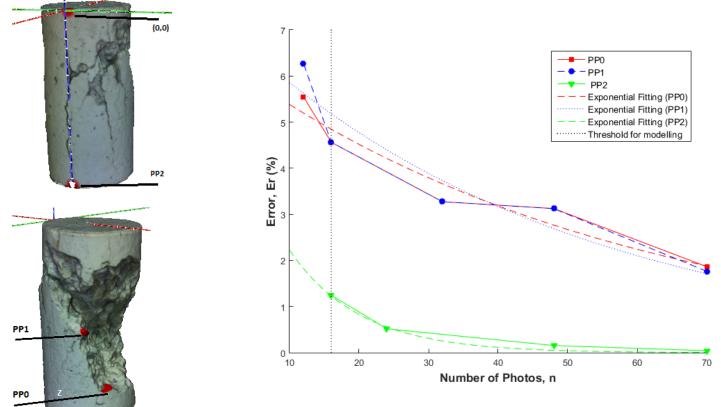


 Examples of Evaluative Techniques (Localization)

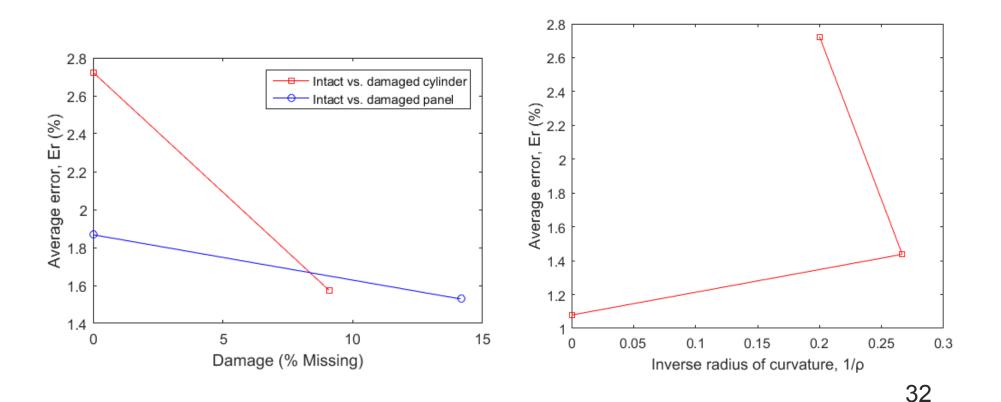


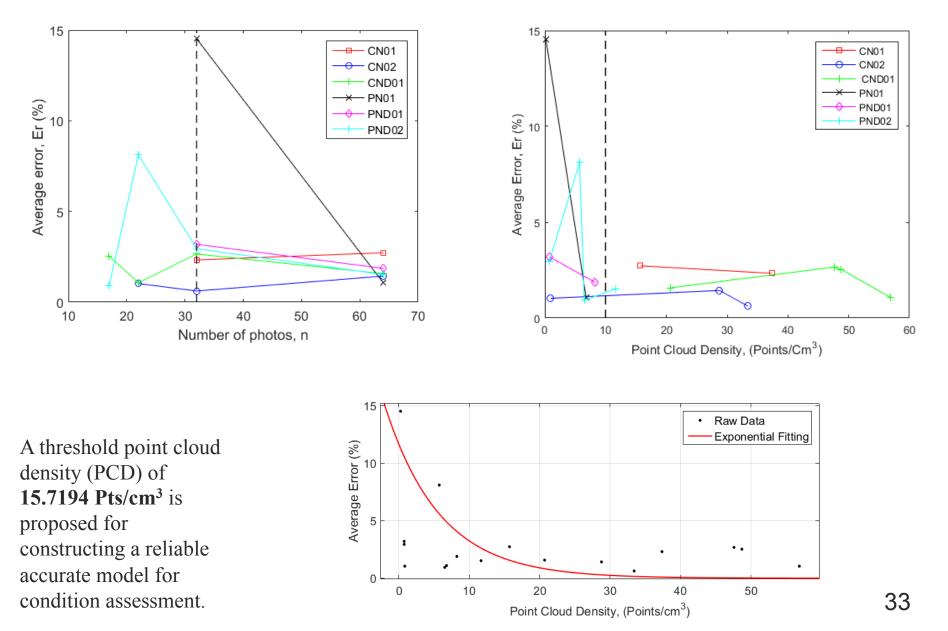


 Examples of Evaluative Techniques (Localization)



- Some of our results are shown below
- Damage trend was expected
- Curvature was not





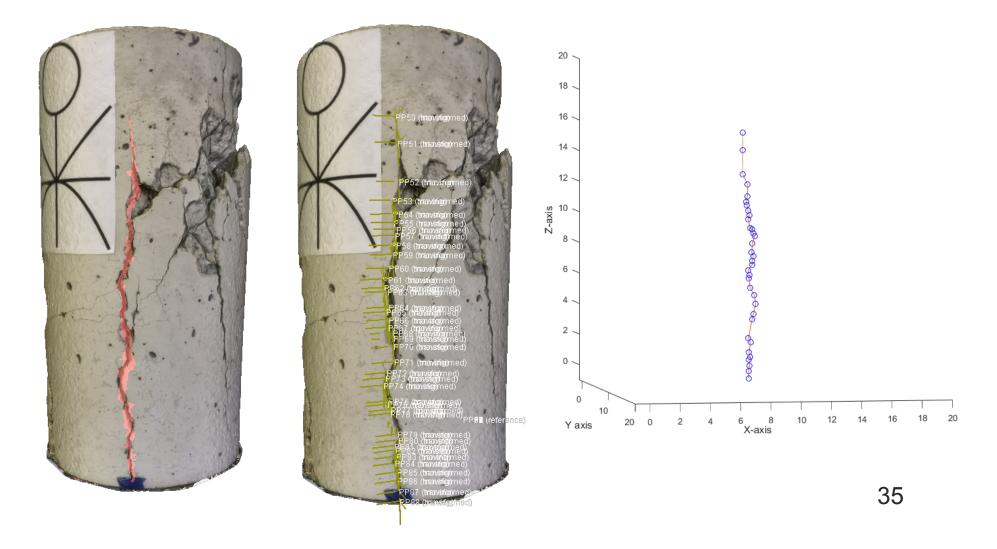
 Examples of Evaluative Techniques (volume, xsects and Stress evaluation)

		P(N)	Az(adj) (m2)	σ(adj) (Pa)
	Z(-10)	1	0.003605755	277.3343937
	Z(-9)	1	0.007898969	126.5988013
	Z(-8)	1	0.007858712	127.2473224
	Z(-7)	1	0.007691608	130.0118255
	Z(-6)	1	0.007372336	135.6422158
	Z(-5)	1	0.00702173	142.4150363
	Z(-4)	1	0.006845186	146.0880697
	Z(-3)	1	0.006760788	147.9117416
	Z(-2)	1	0.006370679	156.9691495
	Z(-1)	1	0.006237504	160.3205348
	Z(0)	1	0.006028885	165.8681568
	Z(1)	1	0.005716305	174.9381784
	Z(2)	1	0.005622775	177.8481166
	Z(3)	1	0.005844754	171.0936013
	Z(4)	1	0.00603487	165.7036636
	Z(5)	1	0.006272665	159.4218663
	Z(6)	1	0.00662056	151.0446233
	Z(7)	1	0.007073605	141.37063
	Z(8)	1	0.007336813	136.2989641
	Z(9)	1	0.007631933	131.0284051
	Z(10)	1	0.006475494	154.4283659

Vm (Cm3)	1436.946899
Vv (Cm3)	1369.84784
Vin (Cm3)	1570.796327
ΔVv (Cm3)	200.9484868
ΔVm (Cm3)	133.8494278
Erm (%)	4.898285564
Damv(%)	12.79277799
Damm(%) Mesh	8.521119225

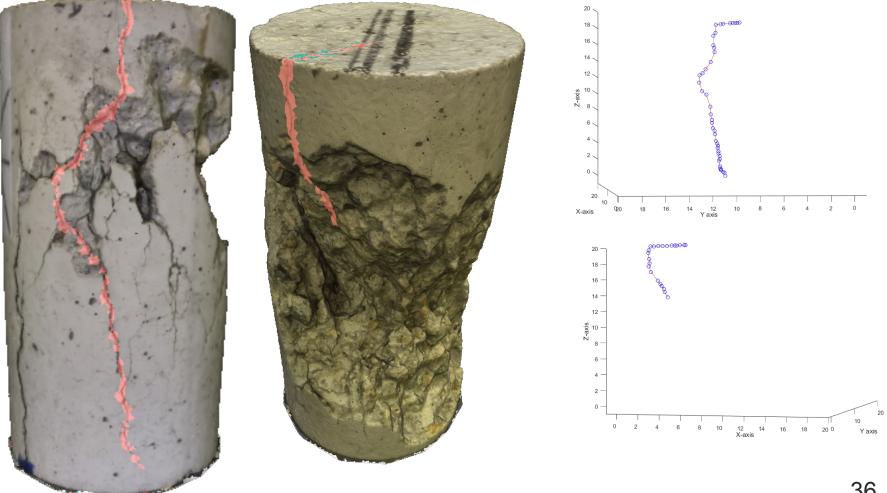
Lab Specimen Results (Surface Crack Profiling)

Surface Crack Profiling of a damaged specimen



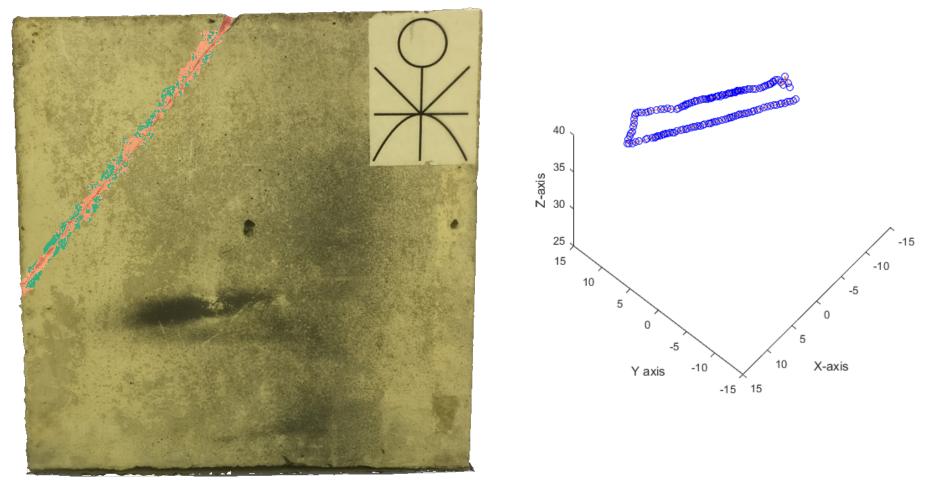
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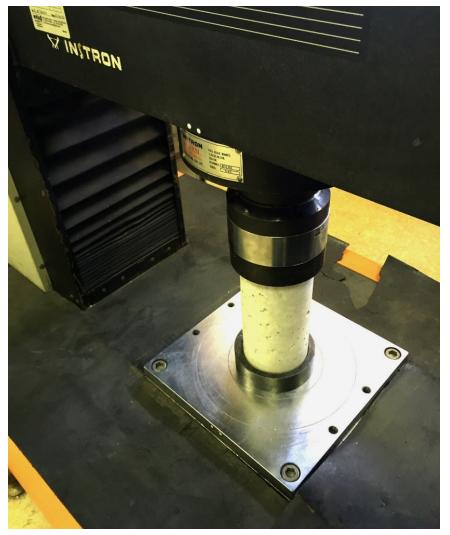


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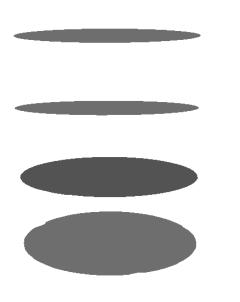


- INSTRON at UMass Lowell, used to load specimen at 20%, and 40% of ultimate load
- In accordance with ASTM C469M-14 "Standard Test Method for Static Modulus of Elasticity and Poisson's Ratio of Concrete in Compression".
- Ultimate load estimated to be 3,750 psi.



Y axis

 Relative load assessment using lateral strain measurements



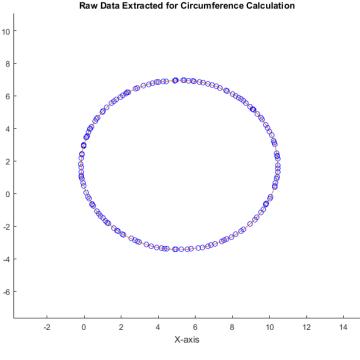


Table 4.	Cross	sectional	surface	areas	$^{\rm at}$	0%.	20%	and	40%	loading	

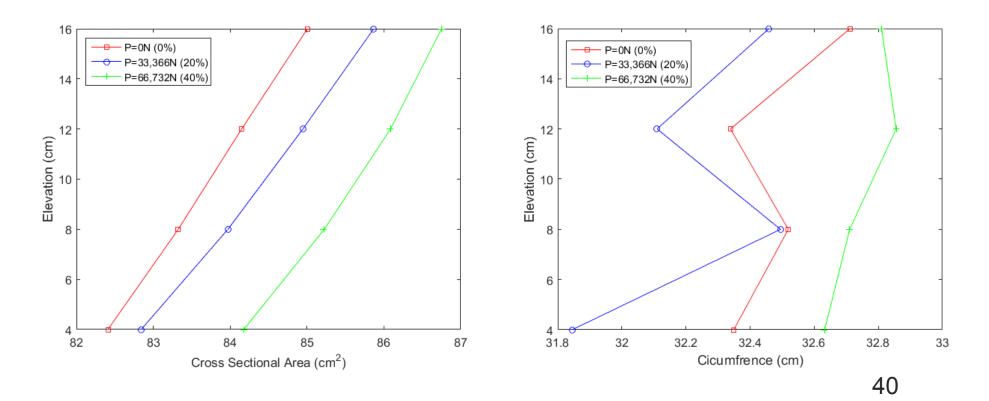
	$0\% \ \mathrm{cm}^2$	$20\% \mathrm{~cm^2}$	$\Delta SA(\%)$	$40\% \mathrm{~cm^2}$	$\Delta SA(\%)$
$\mathbf{Z4}$	82.409714	82.84245	0.525097	84.17691	2.144403
Z 8	83.3246	83.97095	0.775698	85.2244	2.279994
Z12	84.149651	84.94586	0.946185	86.08547	2.300448
Z16	85.00502	85.86791	1.015107	86.75012	2.05294
Avg	83.722246	84.40679	0.817638	85.55922	2.194134

Table 5. Circumference values at 0%, 20%, and 40% loading

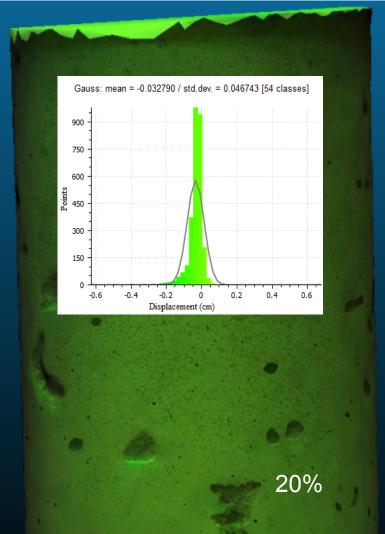
	$0\% \mathrm{~cm}$	$20\%~{ m cm}$	40% cm
$\mathbf{Z4}$	32.3490	31.8448	32.6327
$\mathbf{Z8}$	32.5192	32.4950	32.7106
$\mathbf{Z12}$	32.3389	32.1098	32.8556
Z16	32.7118	32.4592	32.8102
\mathbf{Avg}	32.47973	32.2272	32.75228

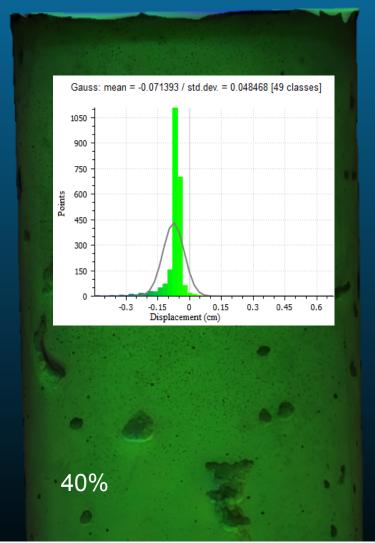
Relative load assessment using lateral strain measurements

	$0\% \ \mathrm{cm}^2$	$20\% \ \mathrm{cm}^2$	$40\%~{ m cm}^2$
Diam (d)	10.324654 cm	10.36678 cm	10.43731 cm
Strain (ϵ_L)		0.00408	0.010911



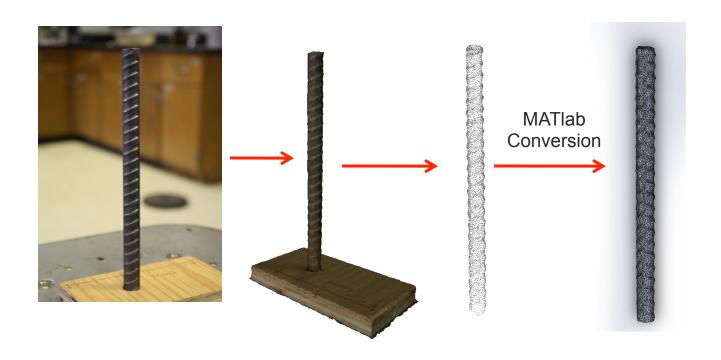
Relative load assessment using ICP A maximum distance of 0.67872399 cm





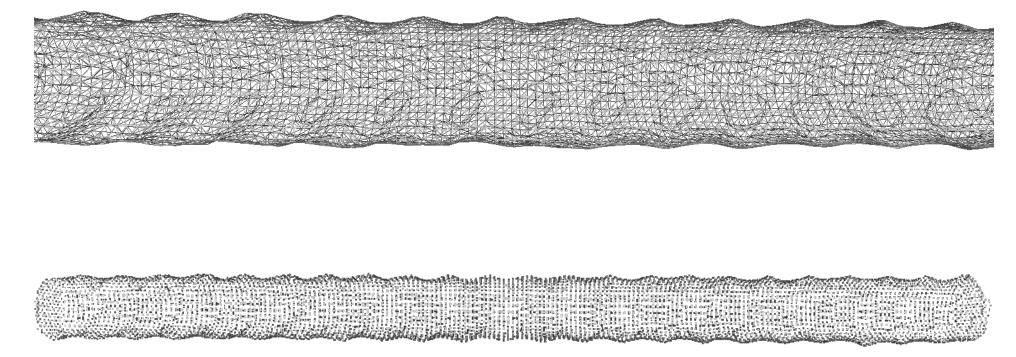
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Rebar Modeling



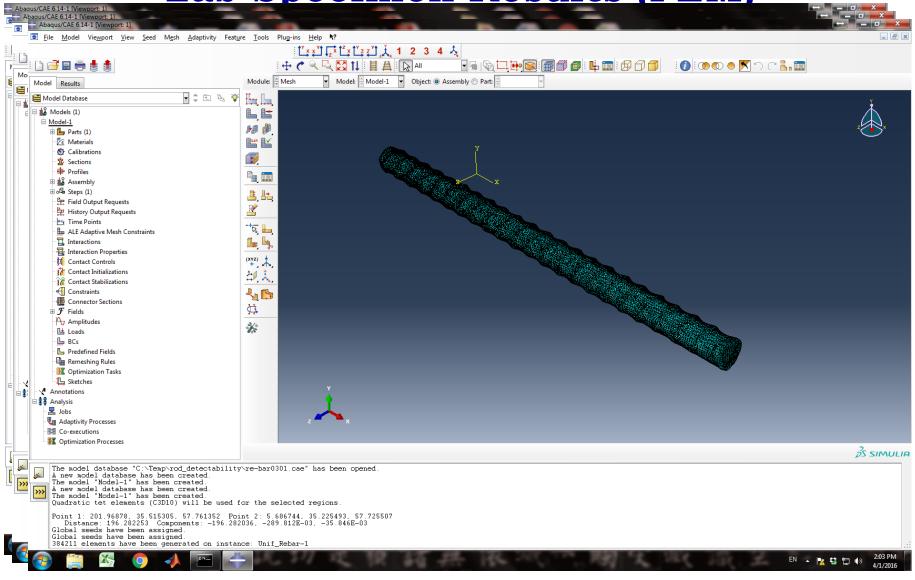
Conversion from photogrammetric model, point cloud information into a CAD applicable solid mesh allows for finite element modeling of a specimen without the sacrifice of geometric variations.

The problem with modeling a FE model from point cloud data is in the irregularity of points. Data needs to be interpolated with a regular dx,dy,dz to make a pure mesh grid



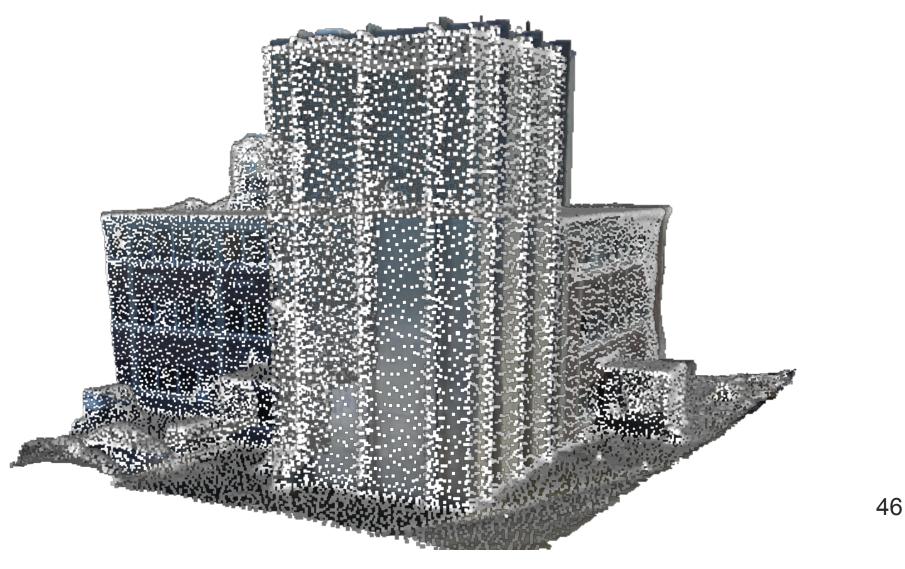
Using uniform resampling technique in Meshlab point cloud processing software the mesh was transformed into a uniform grid.

Then using a matlab function was converted from (.stl)-> (.sat) shell to part



In-Situ Results (Visual Inspection)

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In-Situ Results (Visual Inspection)

Olney Auditorium Wall: (Basic Demonstration)



In-Situ Results (Data Registration of SAR)

• Olney Auditorium Wall: (Basic Demonstration)

FOV: 60 FPS: 14.6	Current Mesh: Olney_Auditorium.obj Vertices: 59789 (103068) Faces: 119355 (204822) Selection: v0 f0	0.76 0.85 0.00 139.79 -0.85 0.76 0.00 -1.09 0.00 0.00 1.00 -215.04 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.00

In-Situ Results (Data Registration of SAR)

• Loading Dock : (shows the effect of a visible defect in conjunction with the SAR image)

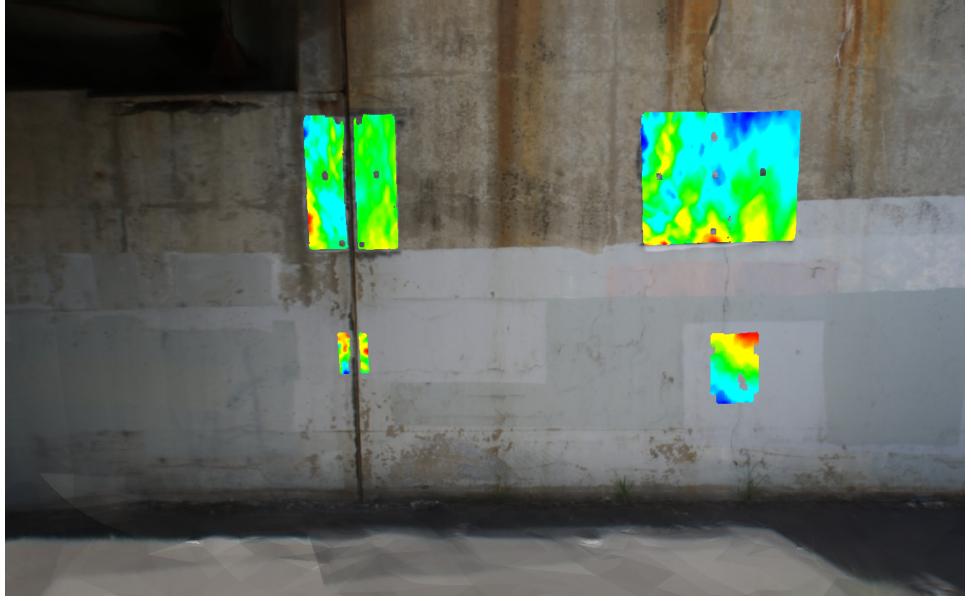
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FOV: 60	Current Mach: Olnov, receiving + 23 ehi	0.73	-0.69	0.00	1.14
FOV: 60 FPS: 11.8	Current Mesh: Olney_receiving_LS2.obj Vertices: 46564 (178598) Faces: 92942 (354702) Selection: v:0.f0	0.73 0.69 0.00 0.00	0.09 0.73 0.00 0.00	0.00 1.00 -1	0.00

In-Situ Results (Data Registration of SAR)

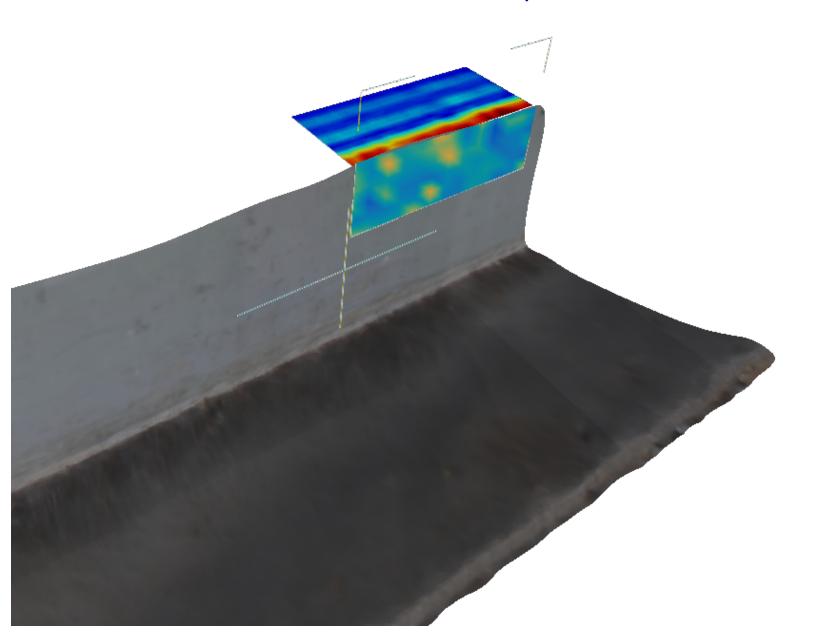
Pinanski: (Demonstrates the value of positioning multiple SAR images & and how geometry effects the outcome)



In-Situ Results (Data Registration of DIC)



In-Situ Results (Data Registration of RBH)

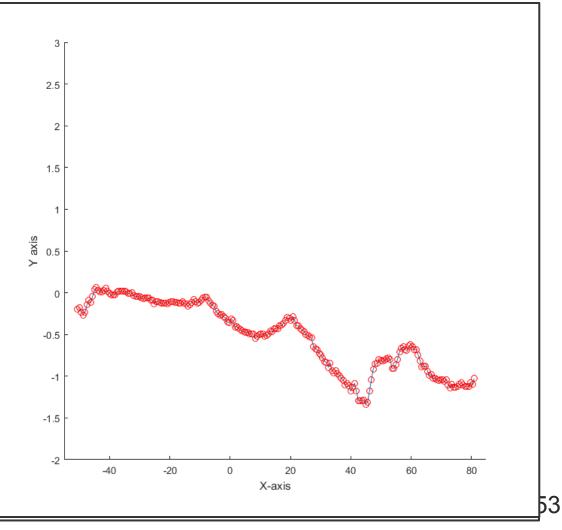


In-Situ Results (Data Registration)

Interpolation of surface profile line (Background)



Demonstration of interpolation for dx=.62cm along the cross range. At lincoln st. Background spot scan

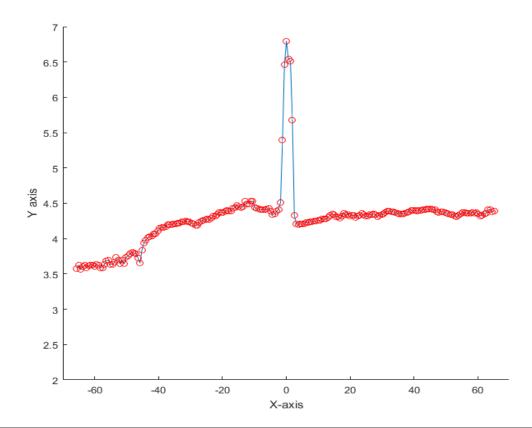


In-Situ Results (Data Registration)

Interpolation of surface profile line Damage

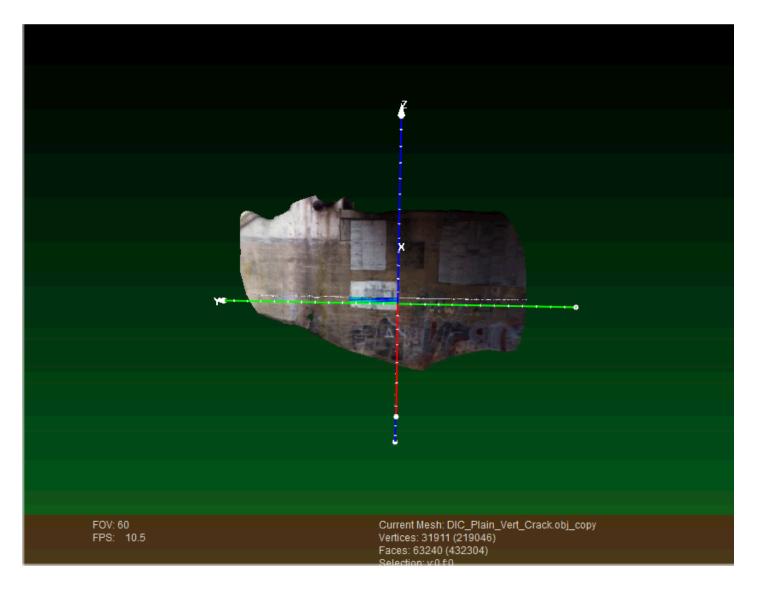


Demonstration of interpolation for dx=.62cm along the cross range. At lincoln st. Damaged spot scan



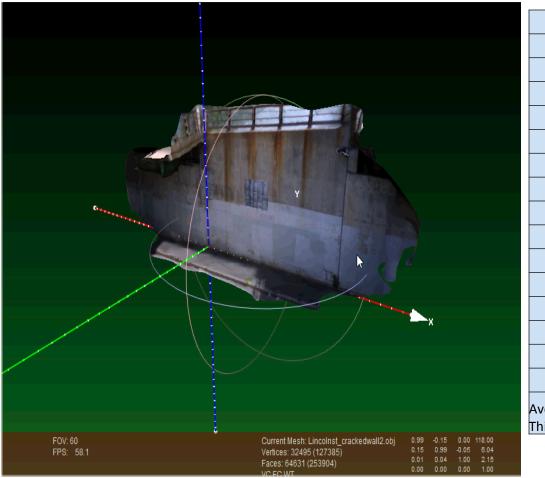
In-Situ Results (Data Registration)

Plain Street: (Demonstrates the surface roughness correction)



In-Situ Results (Surface Crack Profiling)

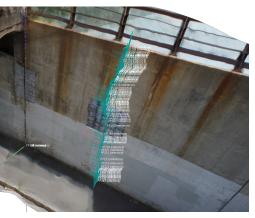
Application: Crack length/width estimation (in-situ)



	Thickness	
0	0.464119	
1	0.541872	
2	0.172082	
3	0.503908	
4	1.22098	
5	0.404567	
6	0.507758	
7	0.29924	
8	0.237928	
9	0.317506	
10	0.218007	1000
11	0.769799	
12	0.414236	
13	0.364278	
14	0.167511	
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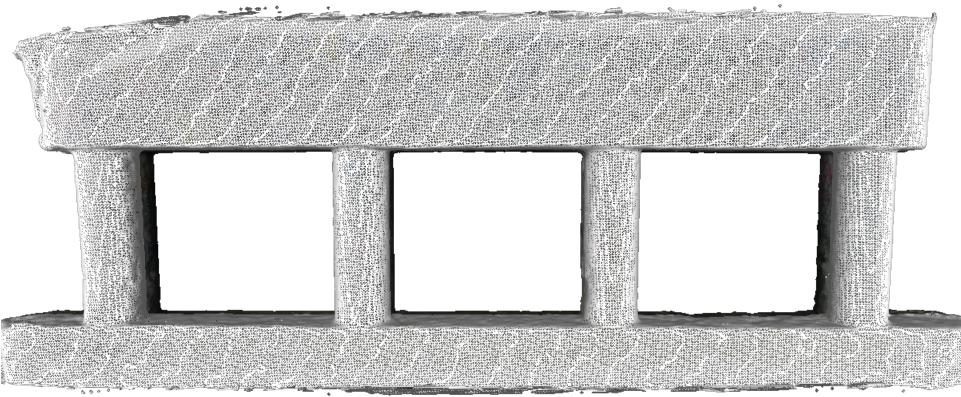
Total:	239.035	in			
Crack Length estimation					

Crack length calculated as the sum of the space between 81 points



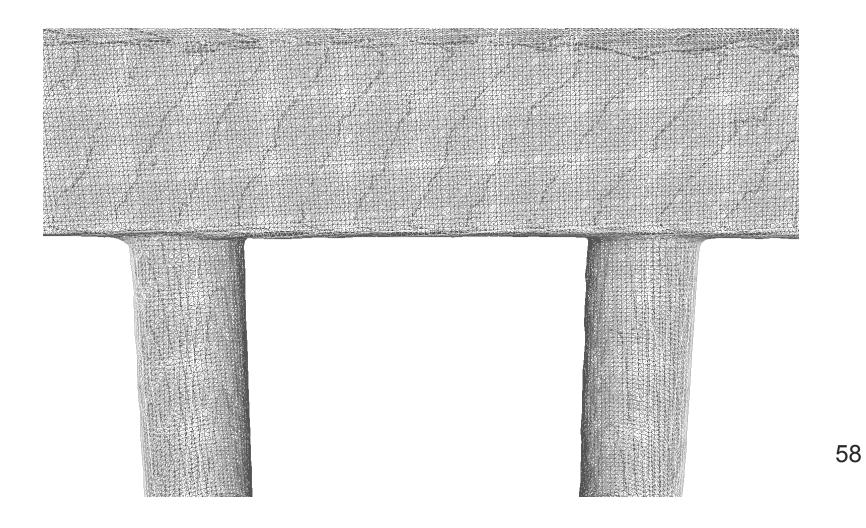
In-Situ Results (FEM)

 FEM of a column section from Plain St. bridge Lowell Ma



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- Summary of results (Lab Specimen)
- **Geometry of photograph appropriation:** Photogrammetry relies heavily on perspective geometry to construct the 3D models.
- Number of photographs taken: The number of 2D photographs has a positive proportional correlation to the effectiveness or accuracy of models. Model error is reduced with an increase in photographs (n).
- **Defect location:** When multiple translations (dx, dy, dz) were considered the error would increase. This can be seen by the difference in error between PP2 (which occurred only one direction away from the origin) and PP0, with PP1 which showing a substantially higher error.
- Geometry of the defect: Using a flat line on a flat plane, a curved line on a curved plane, and a flat line on a curved plane, the reliability of each mode was tested. The flat line on the flat plane exhibited the least error, and the curved line on the curved plane the most.
- **Texture of the modeling surface/ apparent fiducial markers:** Because photogrammetry relies on key features to establish a projective geometry matrix, the availability of easily identifiable features is very important.

Summary of Results (Lab Specimen)

- Effect of number of photographs From our research on concrete cylinders and panels, it was found that the number of photographs (n) does not necessarily guarantee the accuracy of PCM for condition assessment. Our experimental work on laboratory specimens also suggests that, n = 32 photographs can be used as a lower bound for length estimation with less than a 5% average error.
- Effect of point cloud density (PCD or p) A lower bound of PCD p = 15.7194 pts/cm3 can be used to ensure the accuracy of PCM with a 2.73% average error. An exponential function is also proposed to model this relation.
- Surface feature of concrete specimens –SFM PCM will be much more easily rendered for damaged structures as for intact structures, suggesting the promising potential for field applications.
- Effect of surface curvature average error does not demonstrate a clear pattern with surface curvature (quantified by radius of curvature).
- Volume estimation using PCM By using PCM, estimation error can be less than 5% in our results.

Summary of Results (Lab Specimen)

- Overall errors remained below 5% for lengths, areas, and even volumes of concrete specimens when PCD > 15.7194 pts/cm3. While not entirely consistent, these results have demonstrated that photogrammetric reliability is in fact within a reasonable and acceptable range for concrete specimens (and potentially structures).
- Comparison with ICP The increase in average iterative point distances in ICP models provides information correlated to the relative loading level of the specimen. The average distance differences in each loaded specimen as compared to the unloaded one can be used as an indicator to the strain (or loading) level of specimens or structures.
- The feasibility of using PCM for surface crack profiling is demonstrated in this research.
 Photogrammetric models can be used to estimate crack lengths and widths on concrete surface.
- The increase in average iterative point distances provides data which can be correlated to the relative loading level of the specimen. Longitudinal and angular strain With the use of reference markers (e.g., fiducial marker in this research), longitudinal and angular strains can be calculated from circumference data in PCM. Radial strain For circular targets from which photographs can be taken from all angles, radial strains can be calculated from estimated cross sectional areas in PCM.

- Summary of Results (In-Situ)
- Photogrammetric PCM can be used for routine visual inspection
- Photogrammetric PCM can be used for data integration of SAR, DIC, and RBH NDE results including through interpolation of surface profiling to correct for motion of UAV platforms.
- Photogrammetric PCM can be used to conduct surface crack profiling, which can be used in a similar fashion to
- Photogrammetric PCM can be used to create geometrically accurate FEM

Contribution

Photogrammetry can be used to create geometrically accurate point cloud models (less than 5% error) PCM which can be used on laboratory specimens as well as in-situ structures.
 Furthermore, PCM can be used for visual inspection as well as data integration of Synthetic aperature radar (SAR), rebound hammer (RBH), and digital image correlation (DIC) results.
 Photogrammetric PCM can also be used to conduct condition assessment including geometric analysis, surface crack profiling, mechanical loading analysis and even finite element modeling (FEM).

Contribution

The contribution of this research was the development, and calculation of error associated with analysis of concrete specimen and structures. This thesis demonstrated several original methods for surface data analysis using PCM. Additionally data acquisition, and registration techniques were developed and molded to fit the use of civil engineers both in the field and in the classroom. Laboratory methods which were researched, developed and discussed lay the ground work for material testing, as well as finite element analysis for both research and education. The work done in-situ helped to progress a best practice for NDE/ I/T in a time of growing turmoil for the nations infrastructure.

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