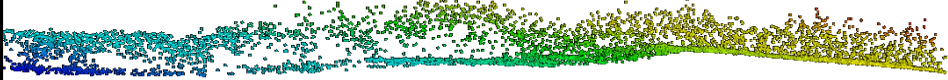


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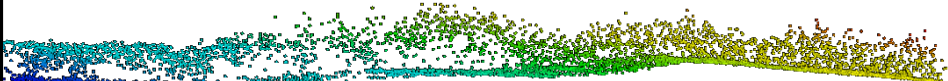
Airborne LiDAR: applications to land surveying, engineering and forestry

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WHAT IS LIDAR?

*Light Detection
And Ranging*

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LiDAR

*Laser Detection
And Ranging
(LADAR)*

*Airborne Laser Scanning
(ALS)*

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WHAT IS LIDAR?

[Chuvieco, 2008]

PASSIVE REMOTE SENSOR:
(i) REFLEXION
(ii) EMISSION

ACTIVE REMOTE SENSOR:
(iii) EMISSION-REFLEXION

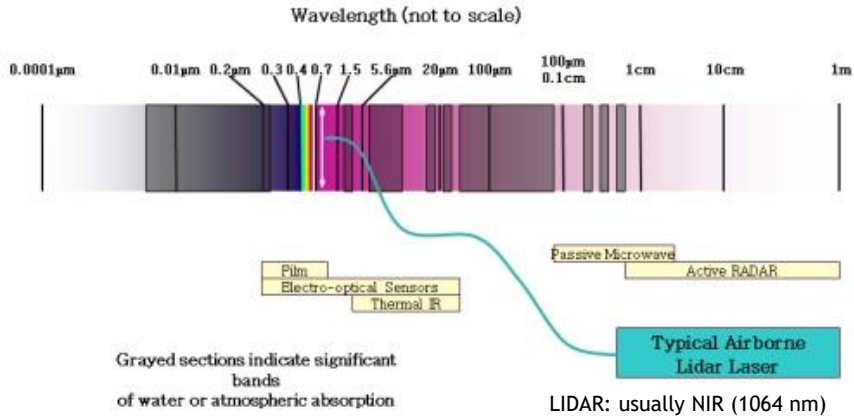
POINT CLOUD
X Y Z
INTENSITY

**ALS/LiDAR: SYSTEM WHICH MEASURES
DISTANCES BY USING REFLECTED LASER PULSES**

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WHAT IS LIDAR?

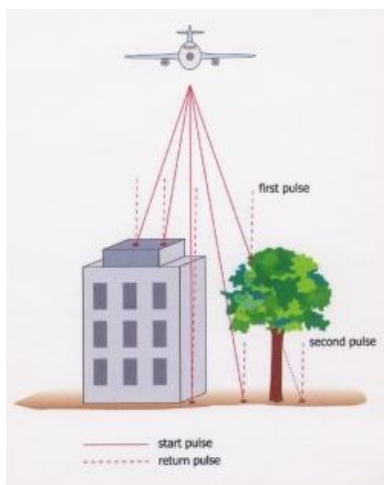
ELECTROMAGNETIC CHARACTERISTICS



https://www.e-education.psu.edu/lidar/l1_p3.html

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HOW DOES LIDAR WORK?



✓ ANYTIME THE LASER (LIGHT AMPLIFICATION BY STIMULATED EMISSION OF RADIATION) WORKS:

- A pulse is emitted (PULSE: signal of very short duration which travels as a beam)
- The pulse is reflected on the ground and its return signal (echo) is sensed by a photodiode
- The elapse time (between the pulse emission and its return) is measured (t)
- That time is converted into distance (between the target and the airplane)

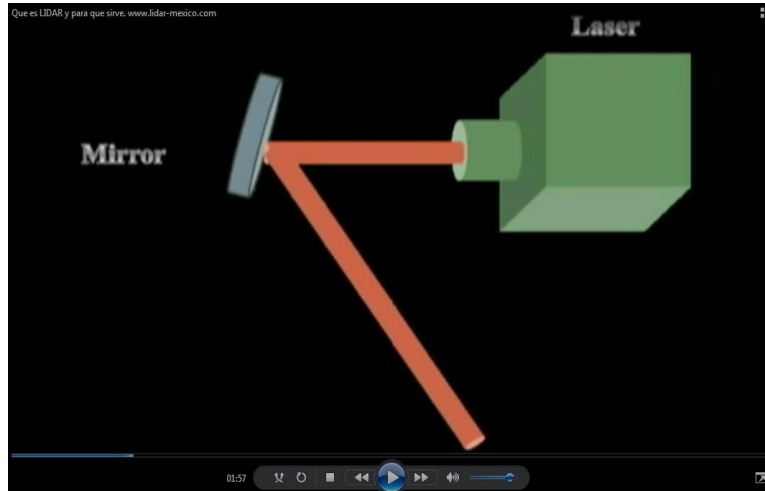
✓ MULTIPLE ECHOES (RETURNS) FROM THE SAME PULSE ARE POSSIBLE.

✓ 200,000 PULSES/S

✓ HIGH PRECISION IN RANGING, NOT WEATHER DEPENDENT**

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HOW DOES LIDAR WORK?



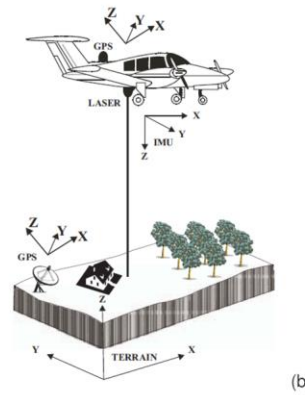
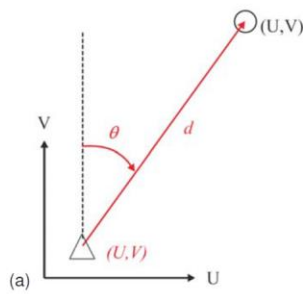
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HOW DOES LIDAR WORK?

FROM THE PULSE TO A
 GEOREFERENCED (X, Y, Z) POINT

LASER PULSE
 TRAVELLING TIME
 (T)
 ↓
 HOW?
 ↓
 RANGING (R)
 (DISTANCE)



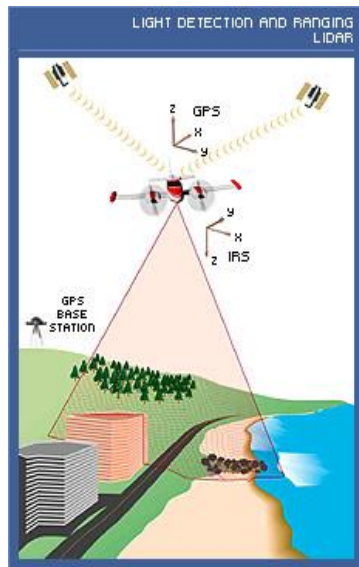
$$R = c \cdot t / 2$$

+

Sensor
 position

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LIDAR SYSTEM: COMPONENTS



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- Airplane
- LASER scanning unit (transmitter-receiver) (scanning mirror**)
- DGPS
- IMU (Inertial Motion Unit)
- Computer (quick processor)

LIDAR SYSTEM: COMPONENTS



LEICA ALS50-II (2008)
https://www.education.psu.edu/lidar/l1_p5.html

- LS70-LP Scanner Assembly
- System Electronics (LC60 Laser Controller + SC70 System Controller)
- OC52 Operator Interface
- OC50 Pilot Interface
- Vibration-isolated interface plate assemblies for both scanner and electronics
- GNSS + GLONASS antenna
- Interconnecting cables

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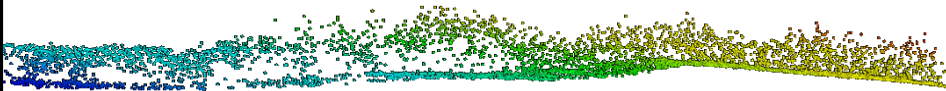


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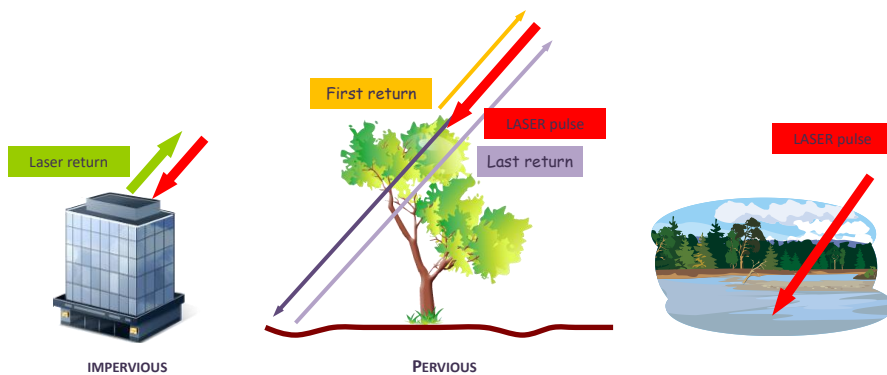
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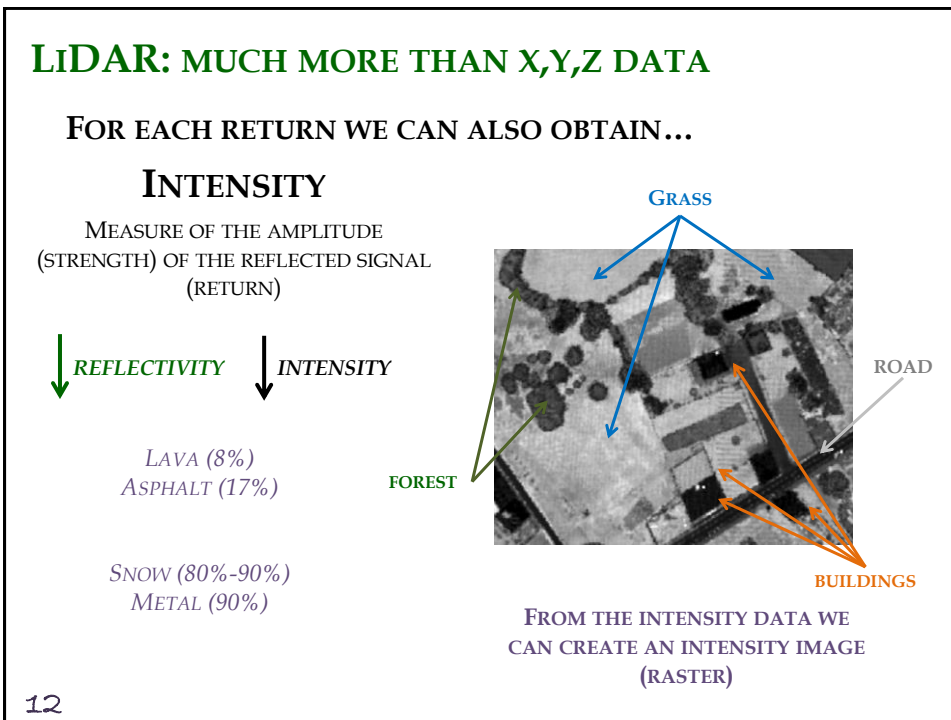
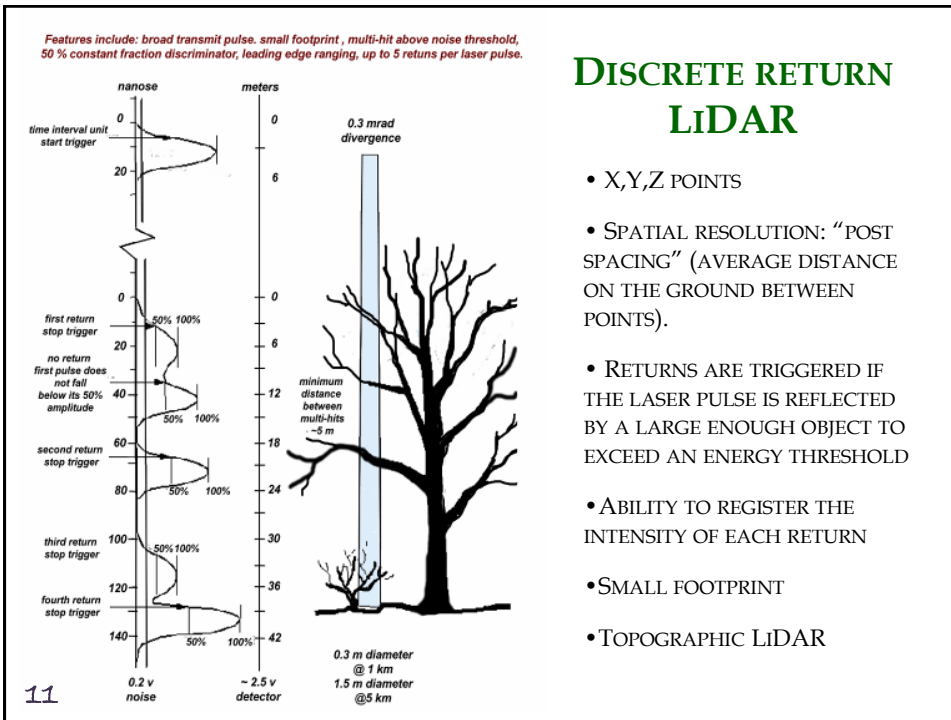
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LASER CHARACTERISTICS: RETURNS



DISCRETE RETURN LIDAR



DISCRETE RETURN LiDAR

HOW DOES A COMMERCIAL LiDAR SYSTEM GATHER DATA?



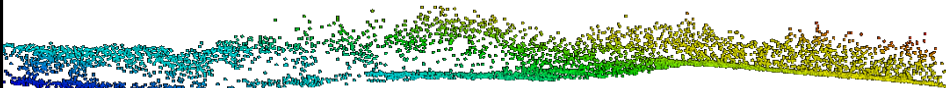
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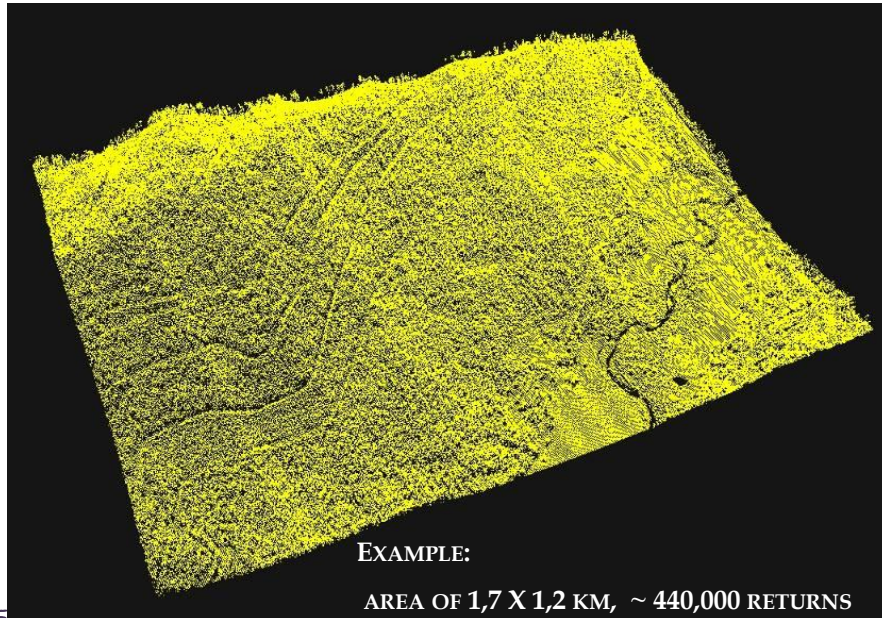
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LIDAR DATA: millions of X,Y,Z points (POINT CLOUD)

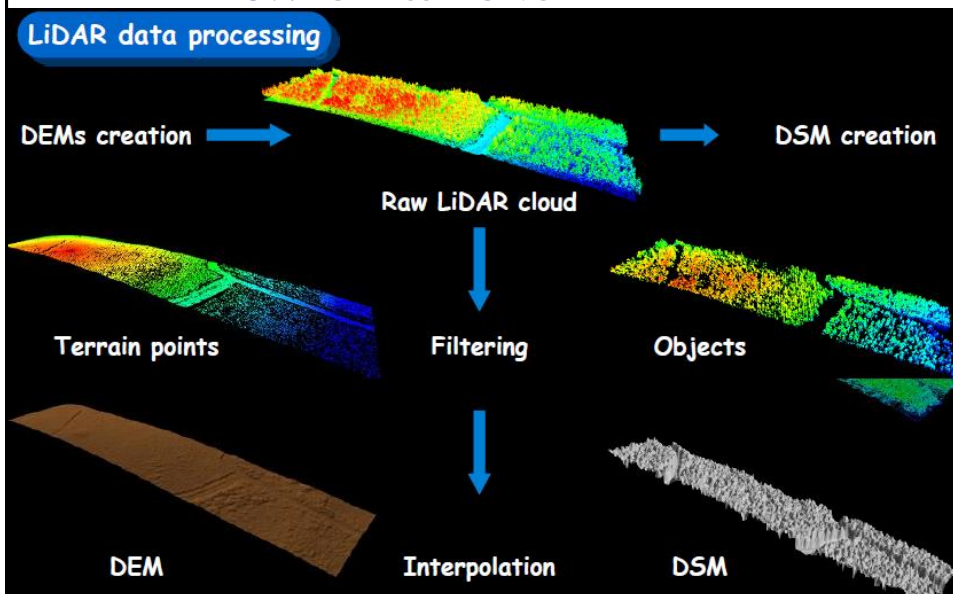


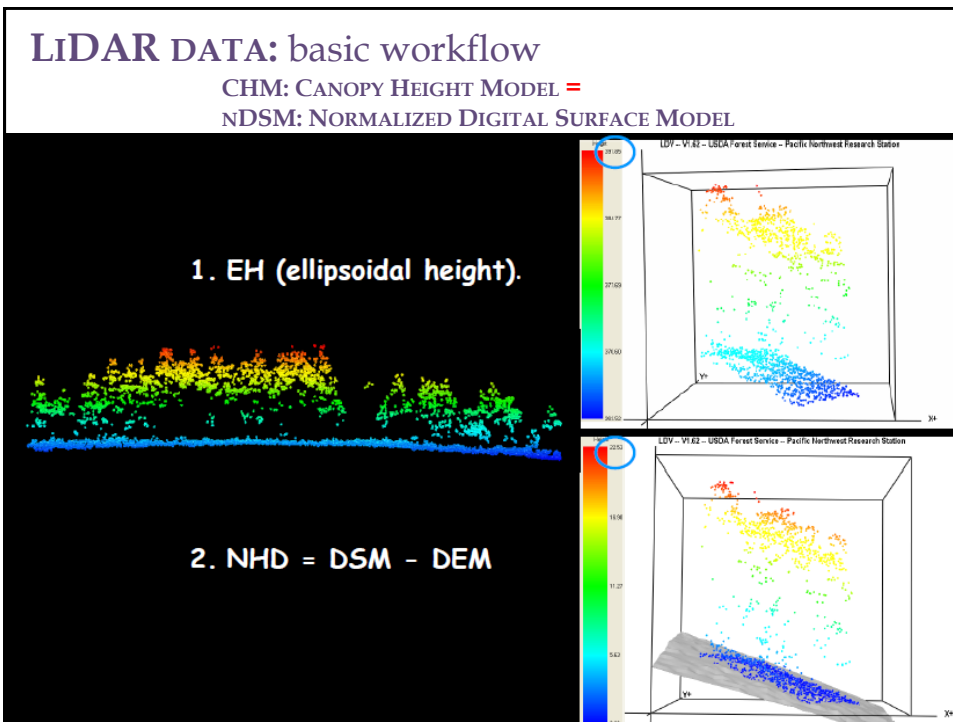
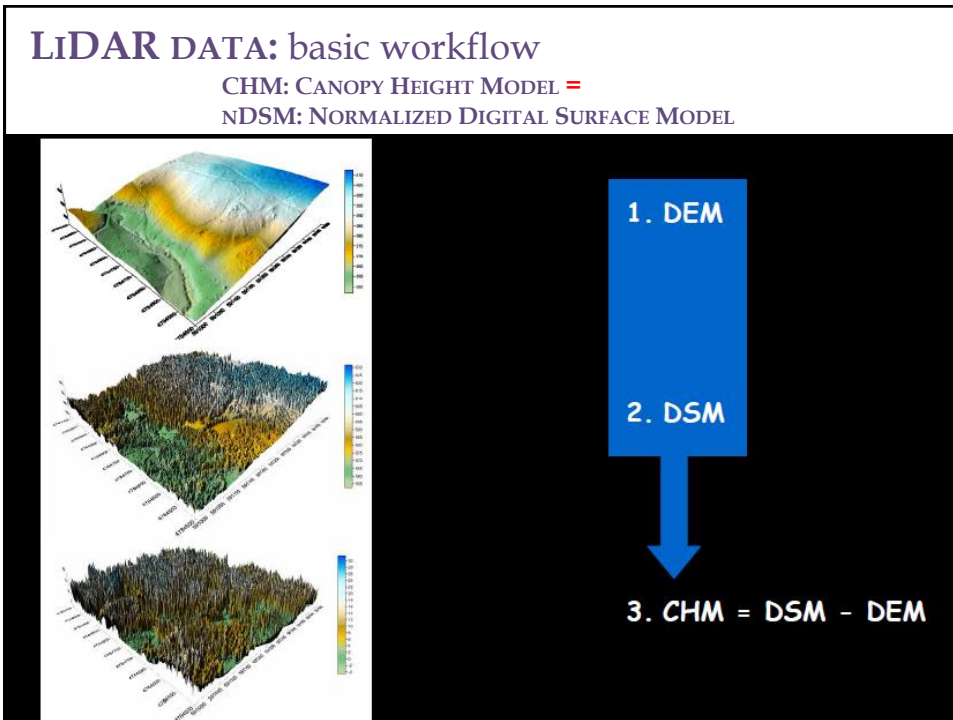
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LIDAR DATA: basic workflow

DEM: DIGITAL ELEVATION MODEL

DSM: DIGITAL SURFACE MODEL



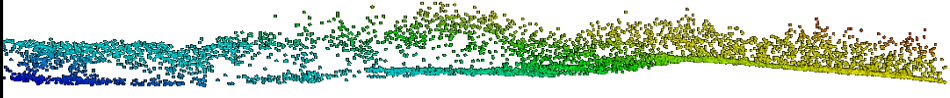


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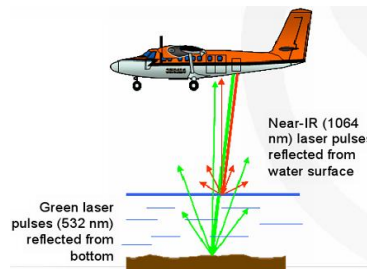
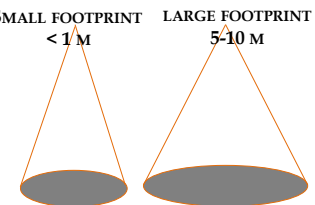
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TYPES OF LiDAR SYSTEMS

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ PLATFORM 	}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TERRESTRIAL (TLS) AERIAL (ALS) SATELLITE VEHICLE (VLS) UAV 	
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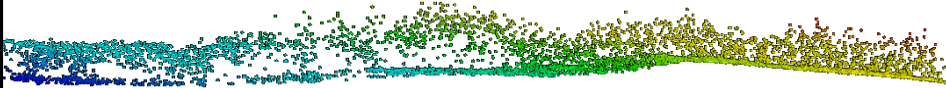
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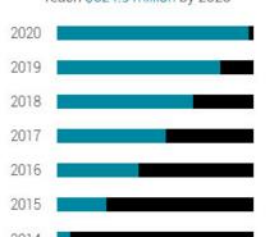
Global LIDAR Market

Size and Forecast (2013 - 2020)

DOES LIDAR MATTER?

Global LIDAR Market

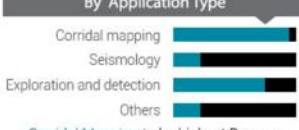
Global LIDAR market is expected to reach \$624.9 million by 2020



2020
2019
2018
2017
2016
2015
2014

Growing at a CAGR of 16.3% (2014-2020)

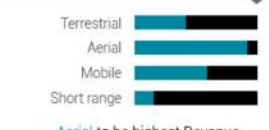
Global LIDAR Market By Application Type



Corridal mapping
Seismology
Exploration and detection
Others

Corridal Mapping to be highest Revenue generating segment by 2020

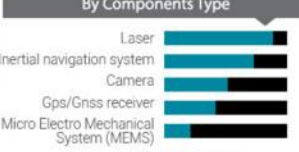
Global LIDAR Market By Product Type



Terrestrial
Aerial
Mobile
Short range

Aerial to be highest Revenue generating segment by 2020

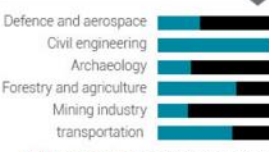
Global LIDAR Market By Components Type



Laser
Inertial navigation system
Camera
Gps/Gnss receiver
Micro Electro Mechanical System (MEMS)

Laser to be highest Revenue generating segment by 2020


Global LIDAR Market By End-User Type



Defence and aerospace
Civil engineering
Archaeology
Forestry and agriculture
Mining industry
transportation

Civil Engineering to be highest Revenue generating segment by 2020

Global LIDAR Market By Geography



North America
Europe
Asia-Pacific
LAMEA

Asia-Pacific
is fastest growing region
at a CAGR 22.9% (2014-2020)

Global LIDAR Market Dynamics

Drivers

- Automated processing in LIDAR systems
- Better performance than other technologies
- Rising demand for 3D imaging
- Rise in demand of aerial LIDARs

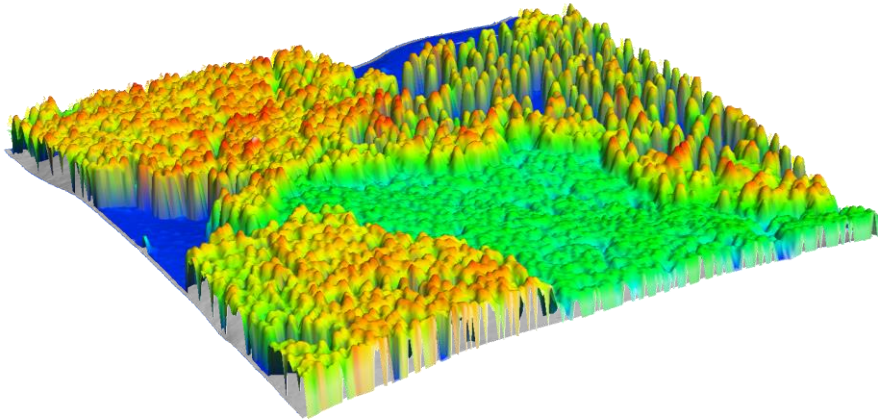
Restraints

- Expensive instruments
- lack of awareness

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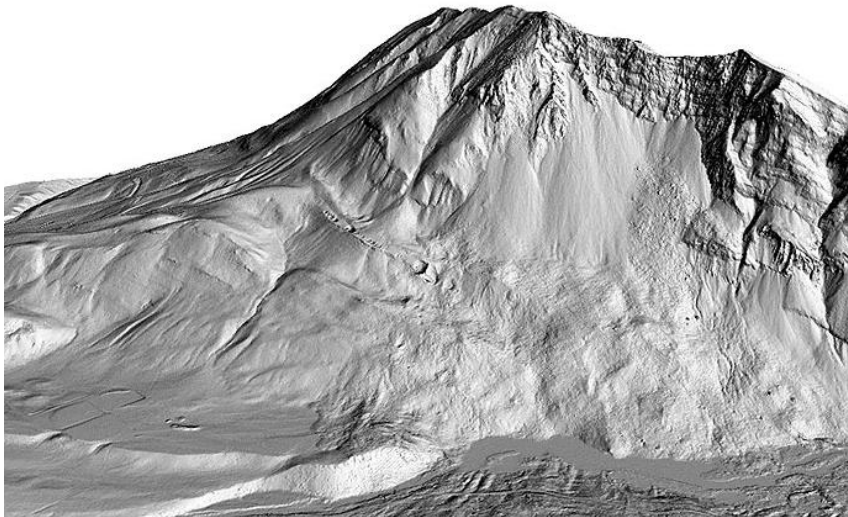
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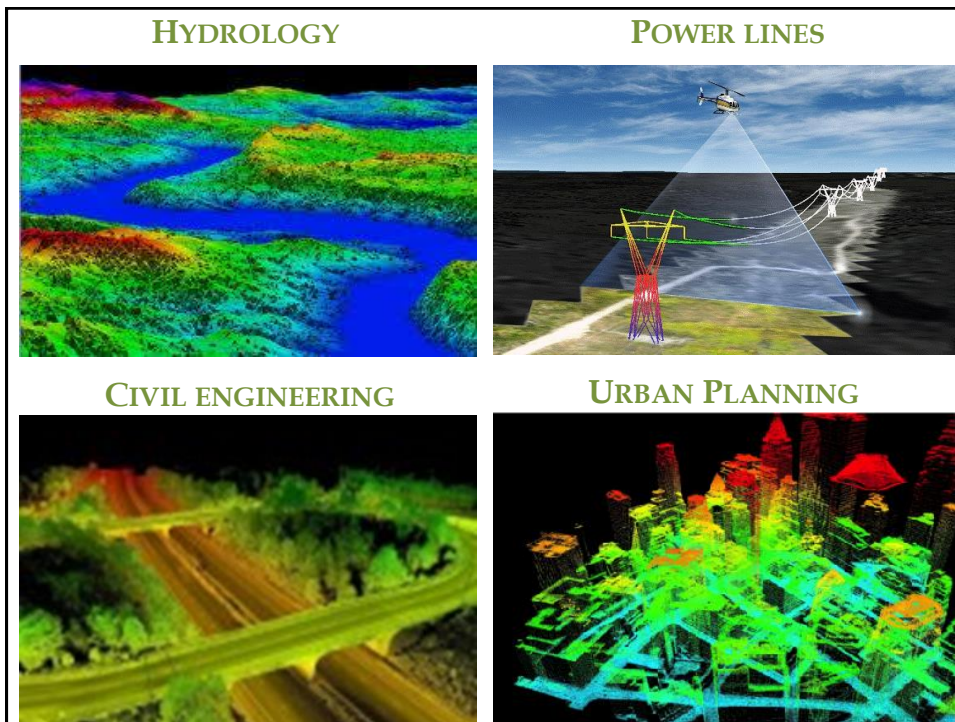
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DIGITAL ELEVATION MODELS: LANDSLIDES



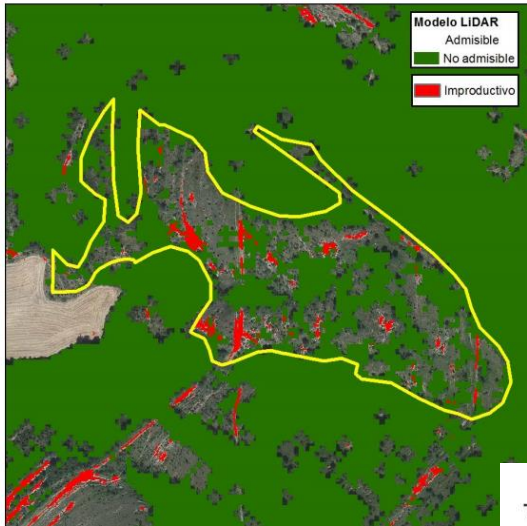
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ELIGIBILITY OF AGROFORESTRY PARCELS FOR CAP BASIC PAYMENTS (EUROPEAN UNION)



**CRITERIA TO BE ADMISSIBLE:
 VEGETATION HEIGHT < 60 CM**

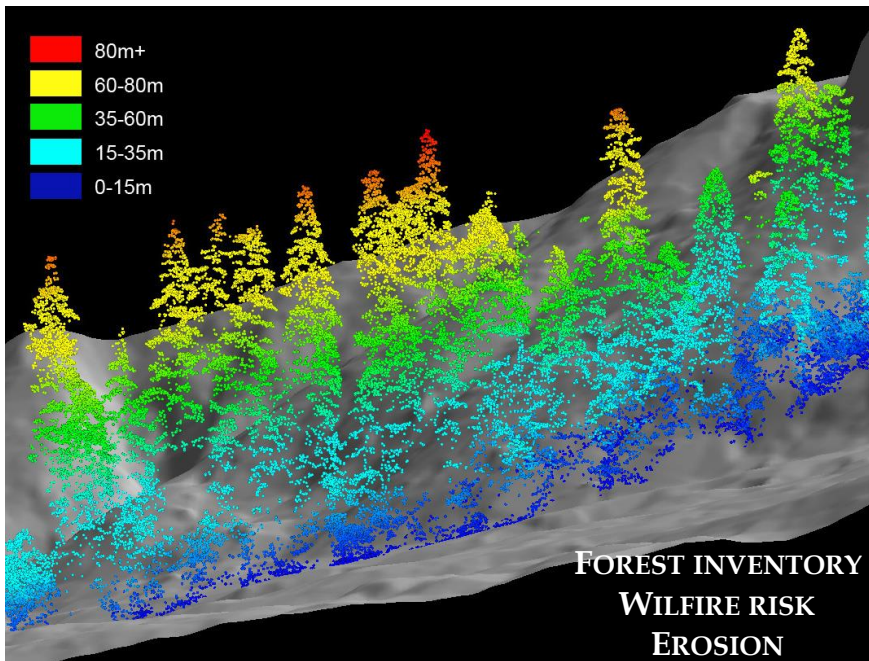
YOU NEED LIDAR DATA!!

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FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES



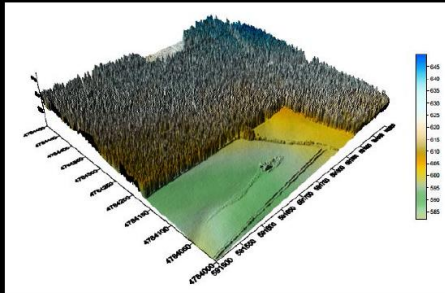
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FOREST INVENTORY

(How much timber, biomass, carbon... do we have?)

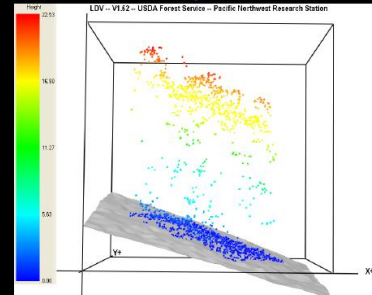
• Two main approaches

• Individual-tree based inventory



CHM

• Stand level inventory



NHD

FOREST INVENTORY: INDIVIDUAL-TREE BASED

• Measured variables

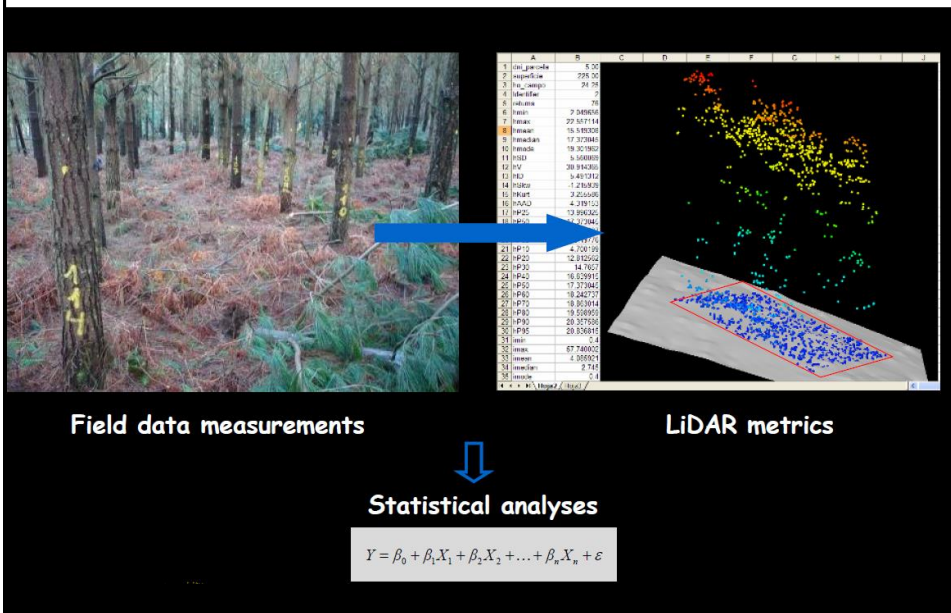
- Tree position
- Tree height
- Crown surface
- Crown diameter

- Tree volume
- Tree diameter
- Tree basal area

⇒ Stand-level variables

Max. basal	Mean CHM	Mean CHM x	X Center	Y Center	Z
16.298911	16.298911	16.300729	63.3	445.0	1
11.9138	11.9138	11.917644	194.3	445.0	2
9.8155	9.8155	7.396044	288.3	445.0	3
9.8155	9.8155	9.396044	241.3	445.0	4
11.2252	11.2252	10.201977	233.3	445.0	5
11.8721	11.8721	12.009021	356.3	445.0	6
10.7251	10.7251	10.854892	416.3	445.0	7
11.7481	11.7481	10.720742	403.3	439.5	8
16.883299	16.883299	17.220742	290.3	431.5	9
15.7358	15.7358	14.611219	97.3	432.5	10
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13.8959	13.8959	11.928799	42.3	431.0	14
11.4434	11.4434	10.721985	149.3	430.5	15
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16.8595	16.8595	15.07042	374.3	428.5	17
16.4262	16.4262	14.83303	3.3	428.5	18
13.3479	13.3479	12.657892	73.3	426.5	19
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FOREST INVENTORY: STAND-LEVEL



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VALIDATION OF LOW DENSITY LIDAR DATA FOR TOPOGRAPHIC MAPPING (NATIONAL COVERAGE)**

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Un centenar de incendios en Asturias y 20 en Cantabria obligan a actuar a la UME

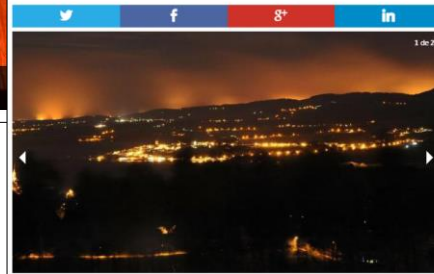


INCENDIOS Militares y bomberos se vuelcan en la costa Cantábrica para sofocar más de 100 incendios

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Domingo, 20 de diciembre del 2016 - 00:41

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- Movilización absoluta con el ejército incluido para sofocar cerca de 100 incendios en la costa cantábrica con especial intensidad en Asturias. Los incendios podrían haber sido provocados.
- La lluvia se ha convertido en una alagada para poder acabar con los focos.

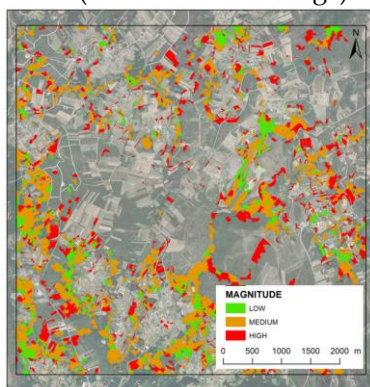


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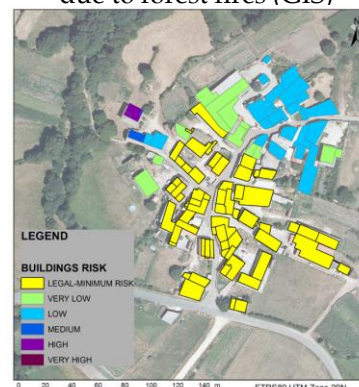
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1. Mapping the forests regarding the magnitude of a possible forest fire (LiDAR + orthoimage)

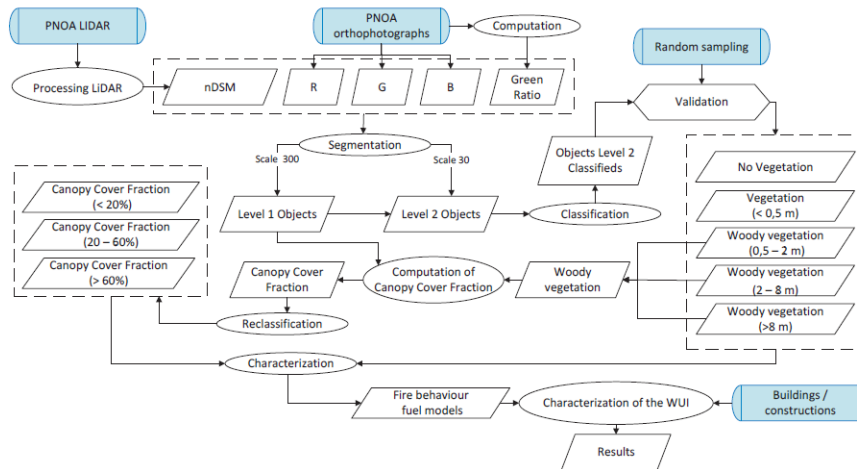


2. Classifying & mapping the buildings according to their risk due to forest fires (GIS)



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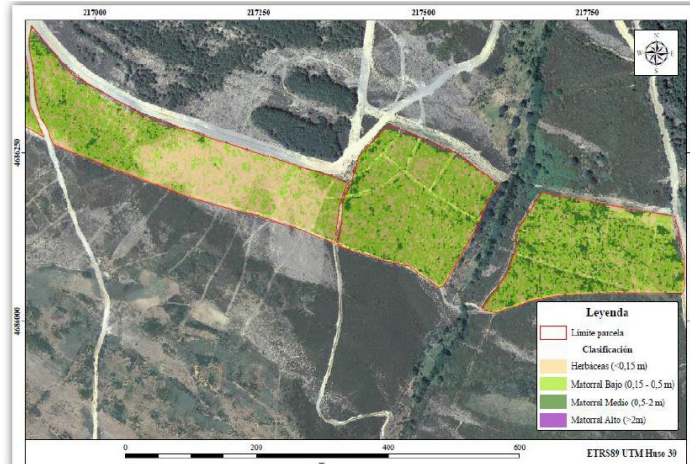
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WILDFIRE PREVENTION: CHARACTERIZATION OF FUELS IN PRESCRIBED FIRES USING LIDAR & LANDSAT DATA

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1. Mapping fuel height/cover after prescribed fires (+1, +4, +5 years)

2. Prioritizing the areas for new prescribed fires



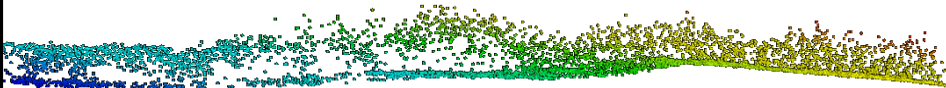
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AND... WHAT IS NEXT?

USING IT! (Training WP 4.1)

- LiDAR Workflow

P1. Introduction to LiDAR data processing
with FUSION

P2. Outlier removal and LiDAR data filtering

P3. LiDAR data interpolation

P4. Model validation

