

VisionMap A3 take it higher!

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Sentimental moment...



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Paradigm shift

Cluster of cameras – works well, but

- How far can it grow?
- How big and heavy?
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6500ft, scanning 40 degrees/sec

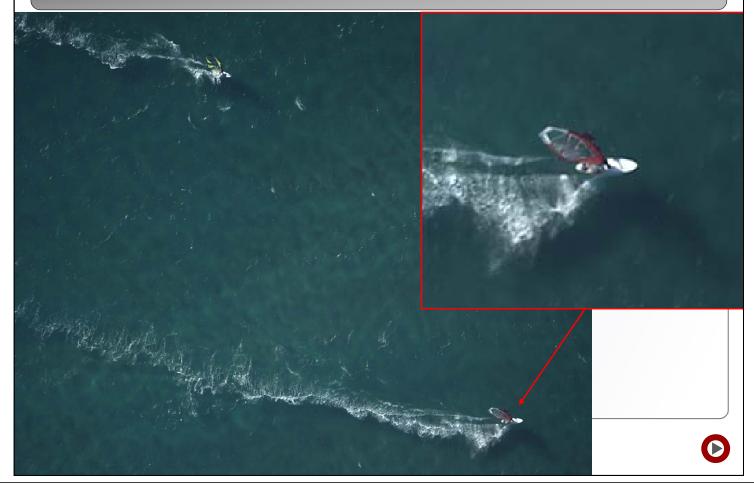
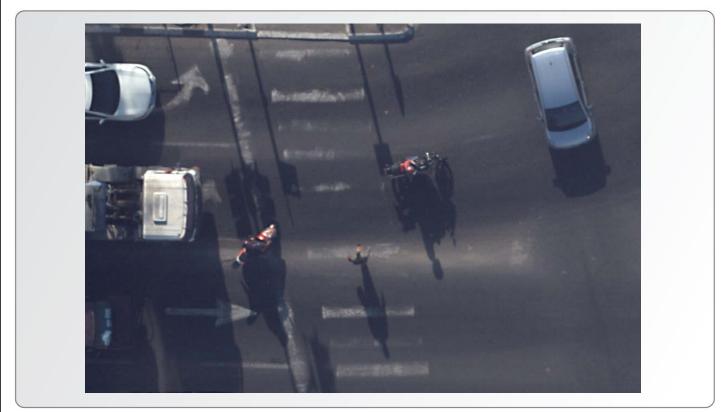


Image taken at 240 knots

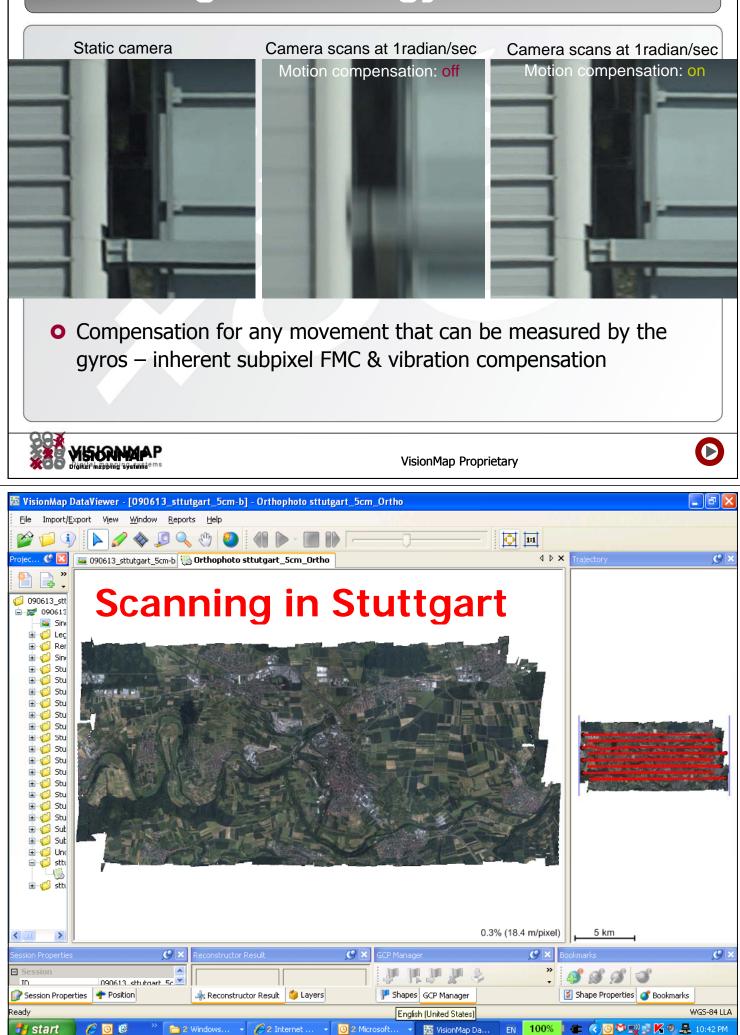


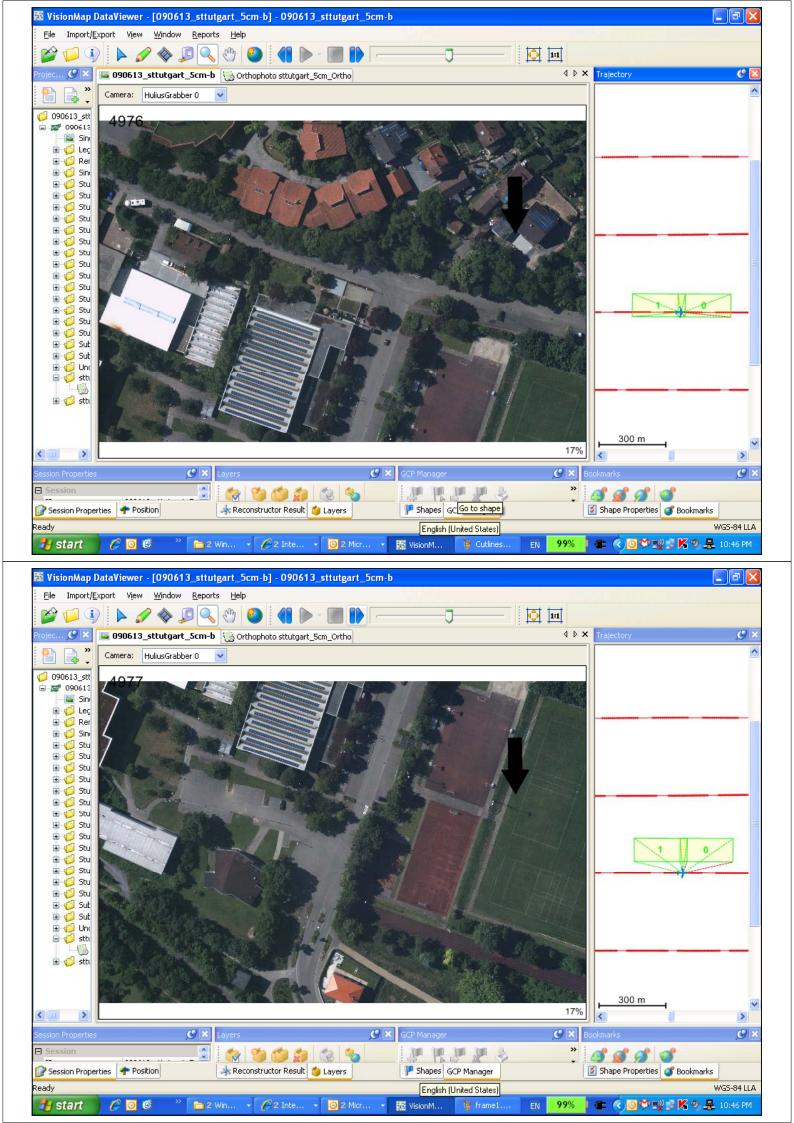


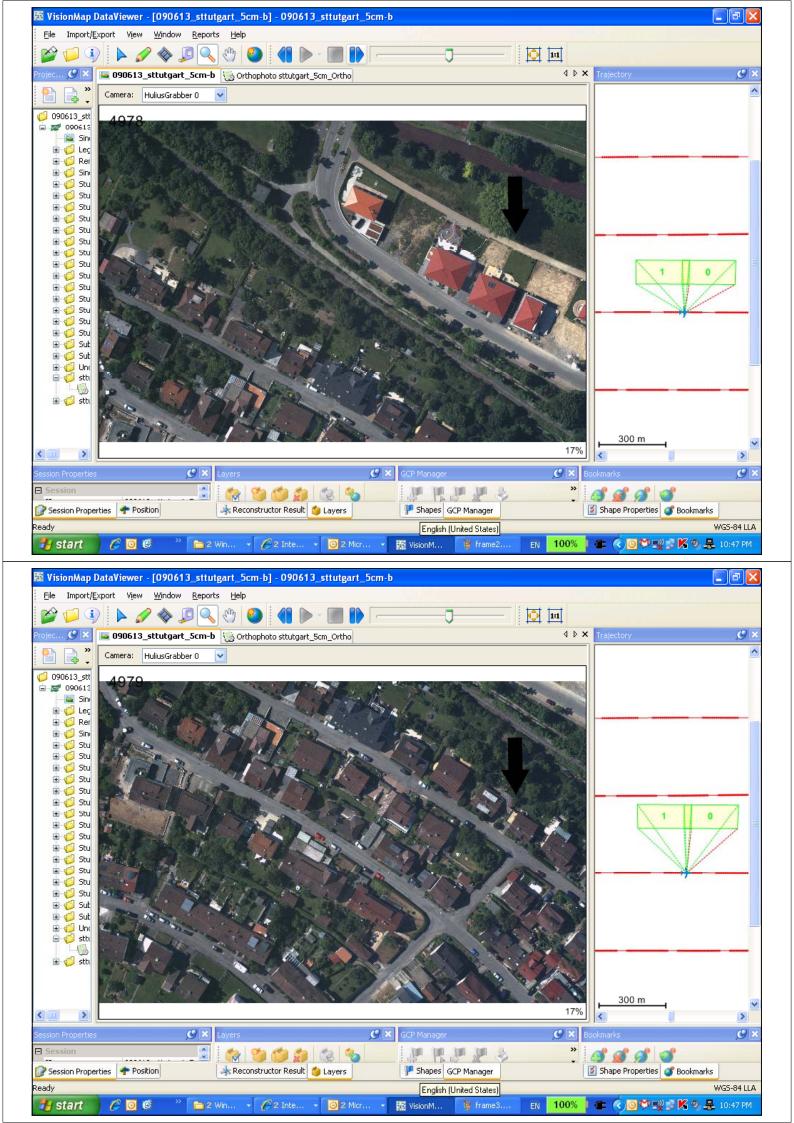
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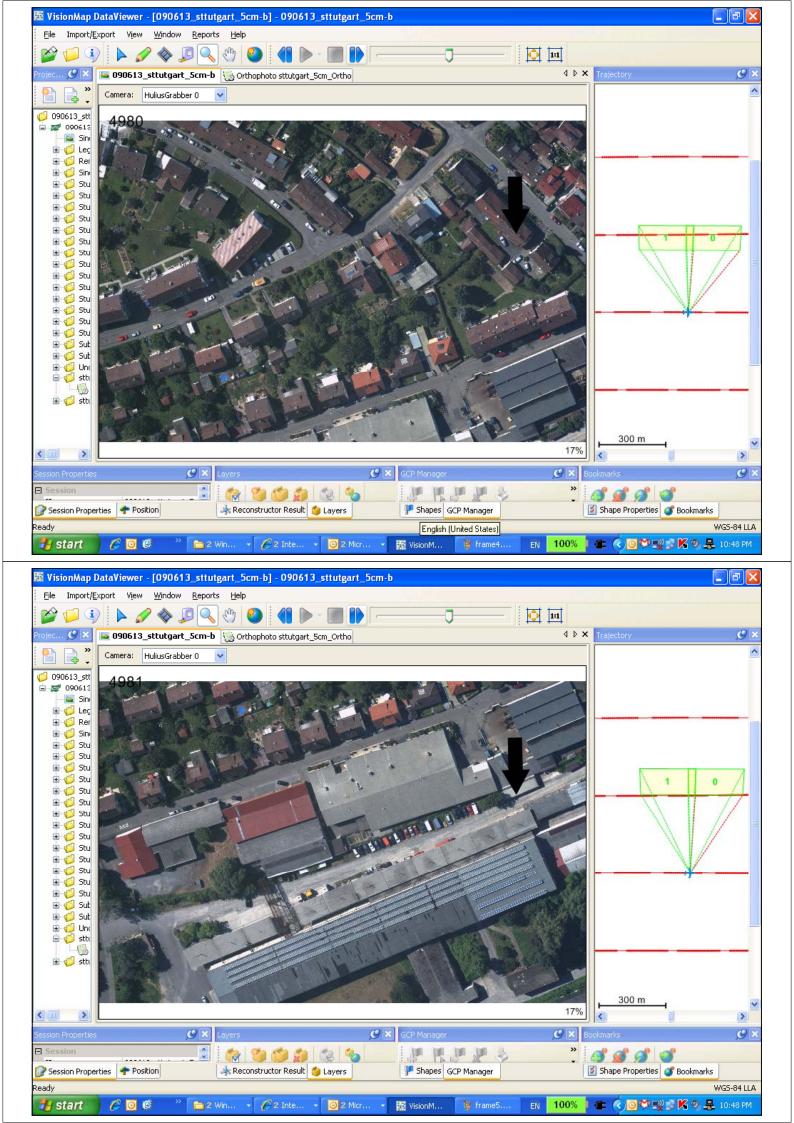


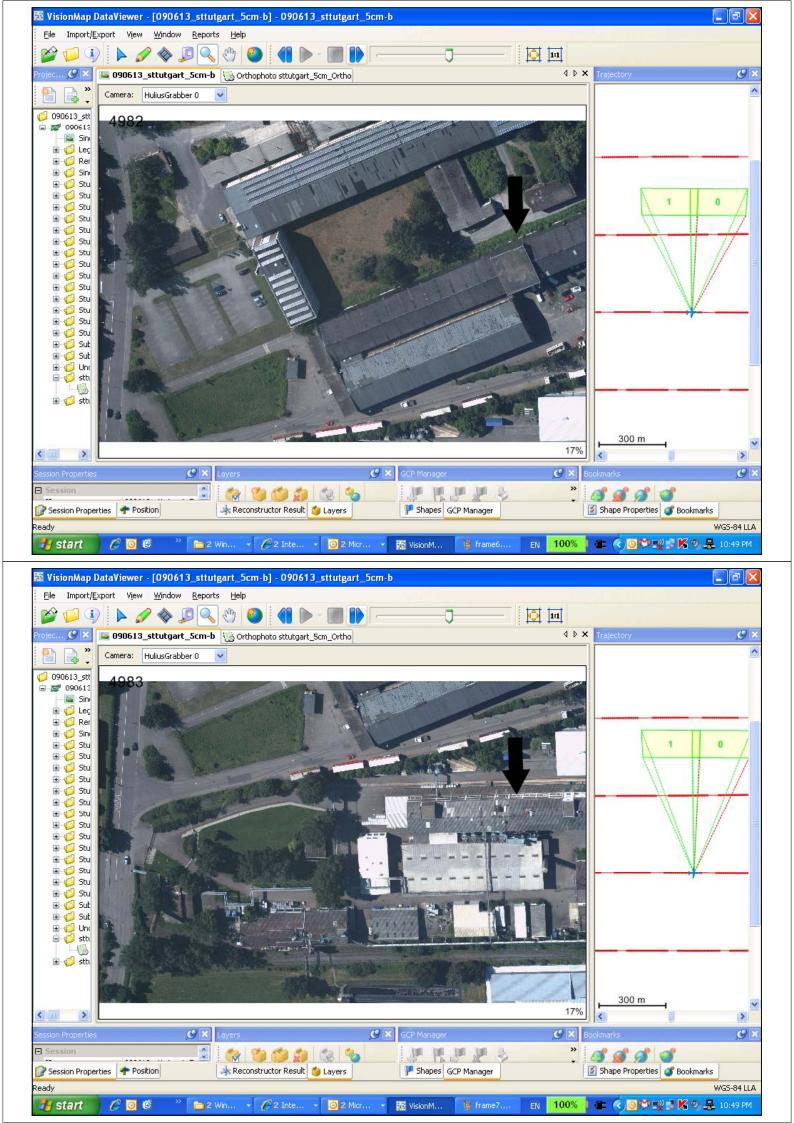
Enabling technology - backscan

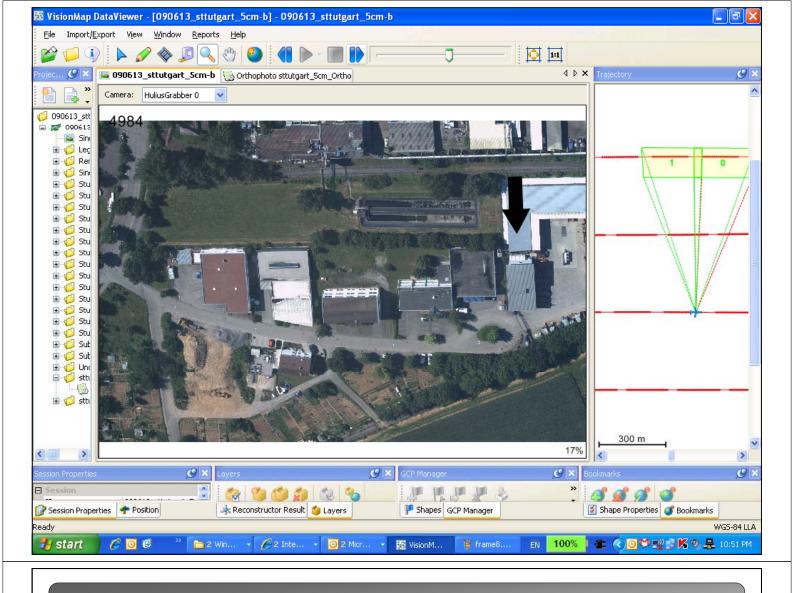












300mm FL imagery

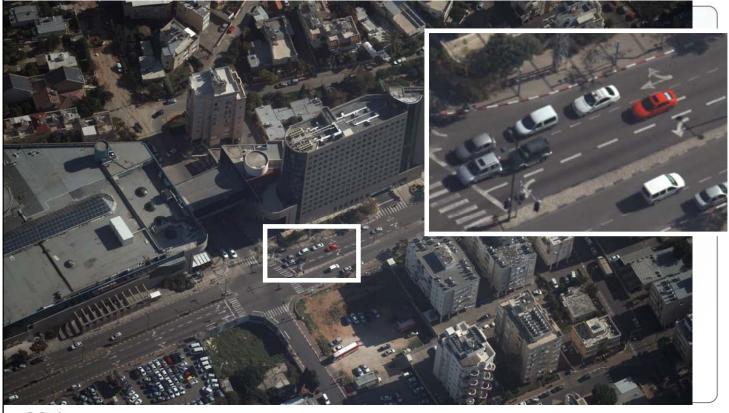




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Oblique imagery

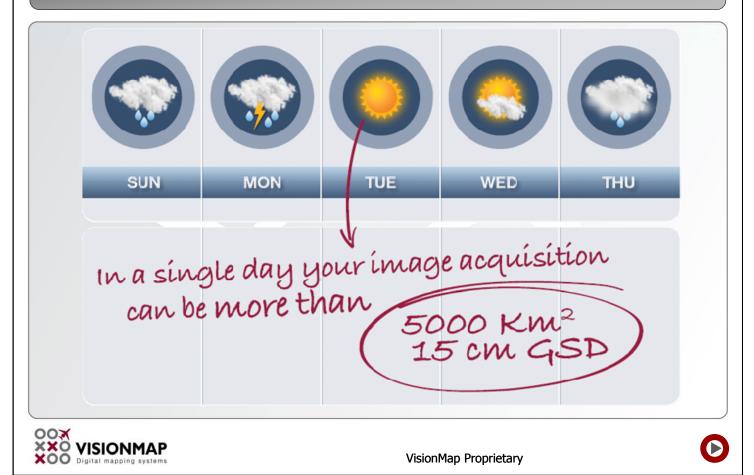


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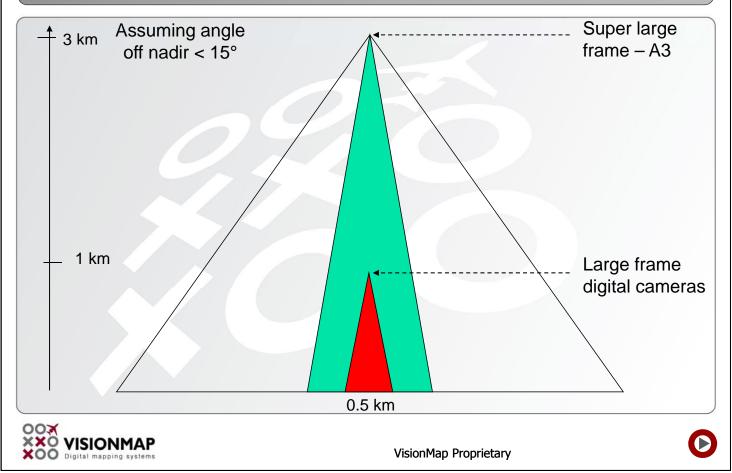
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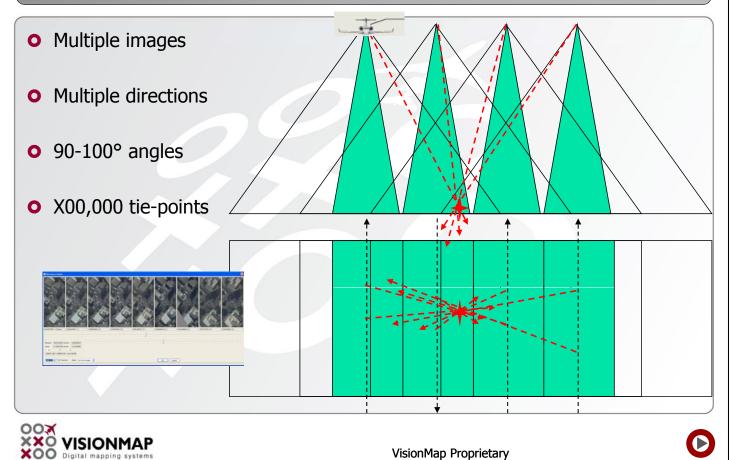
Resulting performance



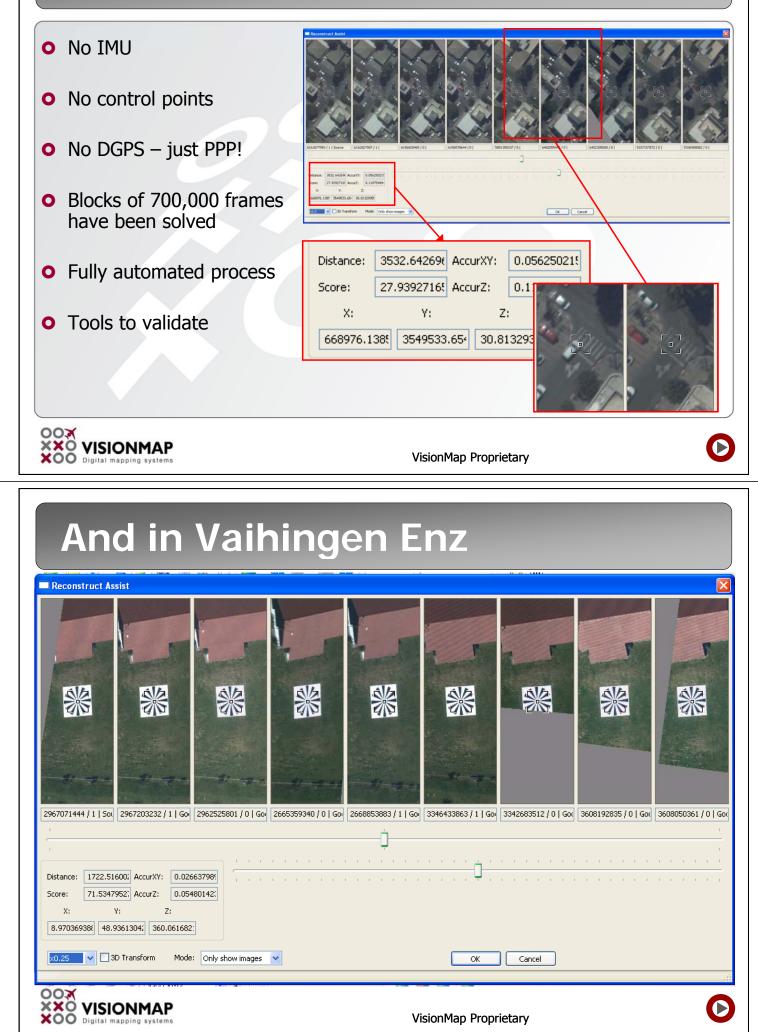
Why altitude matters

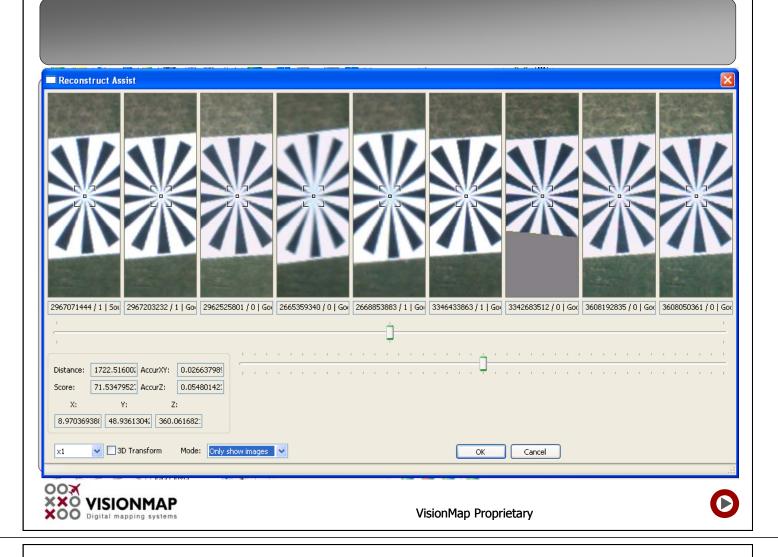


A rotating mapping camera?

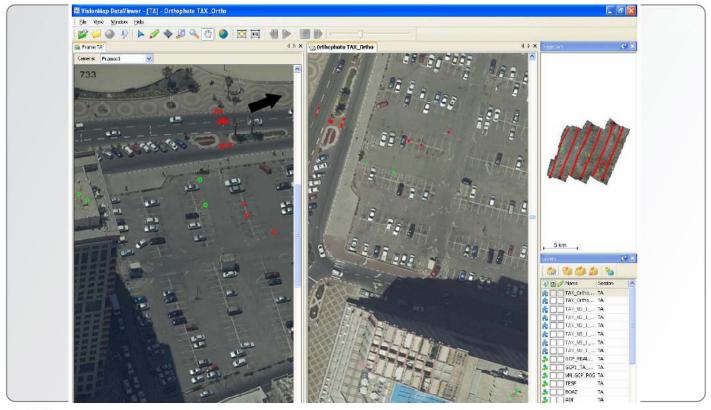


Cost effective bundle adjustment



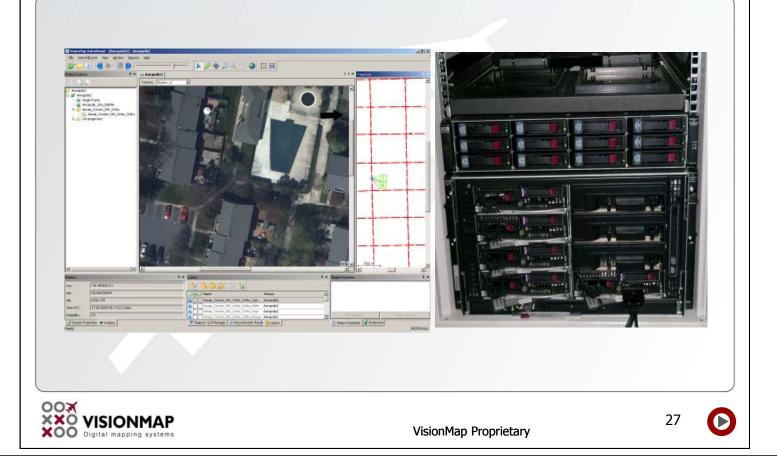


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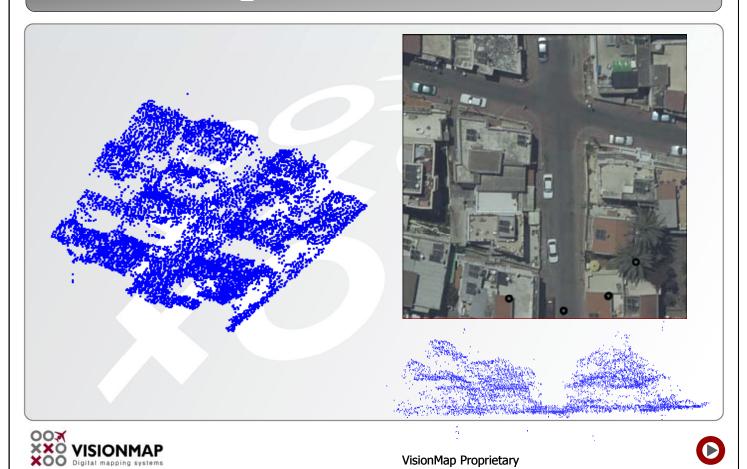




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Competitive Analysis

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| 4 | | From A3 | · · | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Parameters | A3 | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Focus (mm) | 300 | 62.77 | 120 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 70 | 60 | 150 | 300 |
| 7 | Pixel Size / Scan resolution (micron) | 9 | 6.5 | 12 | 7.2 | 6 | 7 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 15 | 15 |
| 8 | Focus (pix) | 33,333 | 9,657 | 10,000 | 13,889 | 16,667 | 14,286 | 9,722 | 8,824 | 10,000 | 20,000 |
| 9 | Frame size cross track (pix) | 62,517 | 12,000 | 13,824 | 14,400 | 17,310 | 17,500 | 9,735 | 7,216 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| 10 | Frame size along track (pix) | 7,850 | 8 | 7,680 | 9,400 | 11,310 | 11,500 | 6,588 | 5,412 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| 11 | FOV cross track (deg) | 94.6 | 63.7 | 69.3 | 54.8 | 54.9 | 63.0 | 53.2 | 44.5 | 73.7 | 41.1 |
| 12 | FOV along track (deg) | 13.47 | 42.6 | 42.0 | 37.4 | 37.5 | 43.9 | 37.4 | 34.1 | 73.7 | 41.1 |
| 13 | FPS (frame/sec) | 7.40 | - | 0.48 | 0.74 | 0.74 | 0.70 | 0.40 | 0.36 | | |
| 14 | Total Weight (without Mount, kg) | 45 | 197 | 110 | 150 | 150 | | | 33 | 300 | 300 |
| 51 | GSD (m) | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.10 |
| 52 | Ground speed (knot) | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 | 240 |
| 53 | Ground speed (km/hour) | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 | 444 |
| 54 | Allowable orthophoto angle (2α, degree) | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 55 | Side orthophoto overlap (%) | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% |
| 56 | Flight altitude (m) | 3,322 | 966 | 1,000 | 1,389 | 1,667 | 1,429 | 972 | 882 | 1,000 | 2,000 |
| 57 | Forward overlap (calculated, %) | 40% | - | 66% | 82% | 85% | 85% | 53% | 37% | | |
| 58 | Side overlap (calculated, %) | 63% | 59% | 63% | 51% | 51% | 58% | 49% | 38% | 66% | 32% |
| 59 | Orthophoto width (cross track from one strip, m) | 1,780 | 517 | 536 | 744 | 893 | 766 | 521 | 473 | 536 | 1,072 |
| 60 | Frame height (along track, m) | 785 | 753 | 768 | 940 | 1,131 | 1,150 | 659 | 541 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| 61 | Frame width (cross track, m) | 4,279 | 1,200 | 1,382 | 1,440 | 1,731 | 1,750 | 974 | 722 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| 62 | Frame area (sq. km) | 3.62 | 0.90 | 1.06 | 1.35 | 1.96 | 2.01 | 0.64 | 0.39 | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| 63 | Full one strip coverage (sq.km/hour) | 1,902 | 533 | 614 | 640 | 769 | 778 | 433 | 321 | 667 | 667 |
| 64 | Full multi strip coverage (sq.km/hour) | 712 | 219 | 226 | 314 | 377 | 323 | 220 | 200 | 226 | 453 |
| 65 | Ortho one strip coverage (sq. km/hour) | 791 | 230 | 238 | 331 | 397 | 340 | 232 | 210 | 238 | 476 |
| | Ortho multi strip coverage (sq.km/hour) | 712 | 219 | 220 | 314 | 377 | 323 | 220 | 200 | 220 | 455 |
| 67 | Productivity Coefficient (PA3/Pi) | | 3.26 | 3.15 | 2.27 | 1.89 | 2.20 | 3.24 | 3.57 | 3.15 | 1.57 |



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Conclusion

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