

# 3D RECONSTRUCTION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES USING OPTICAL METHODS

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# BACKGROUND

- **Visual inspection (most versatile), but:**



Problematic knowledge transfer →  
paper-based format



- Dependent on the inspector's experience
- Time-consuming data collection
- Subjective information

**It started out as a simple analysis,  
but piled up to information overload.**

# OBJECTIVES

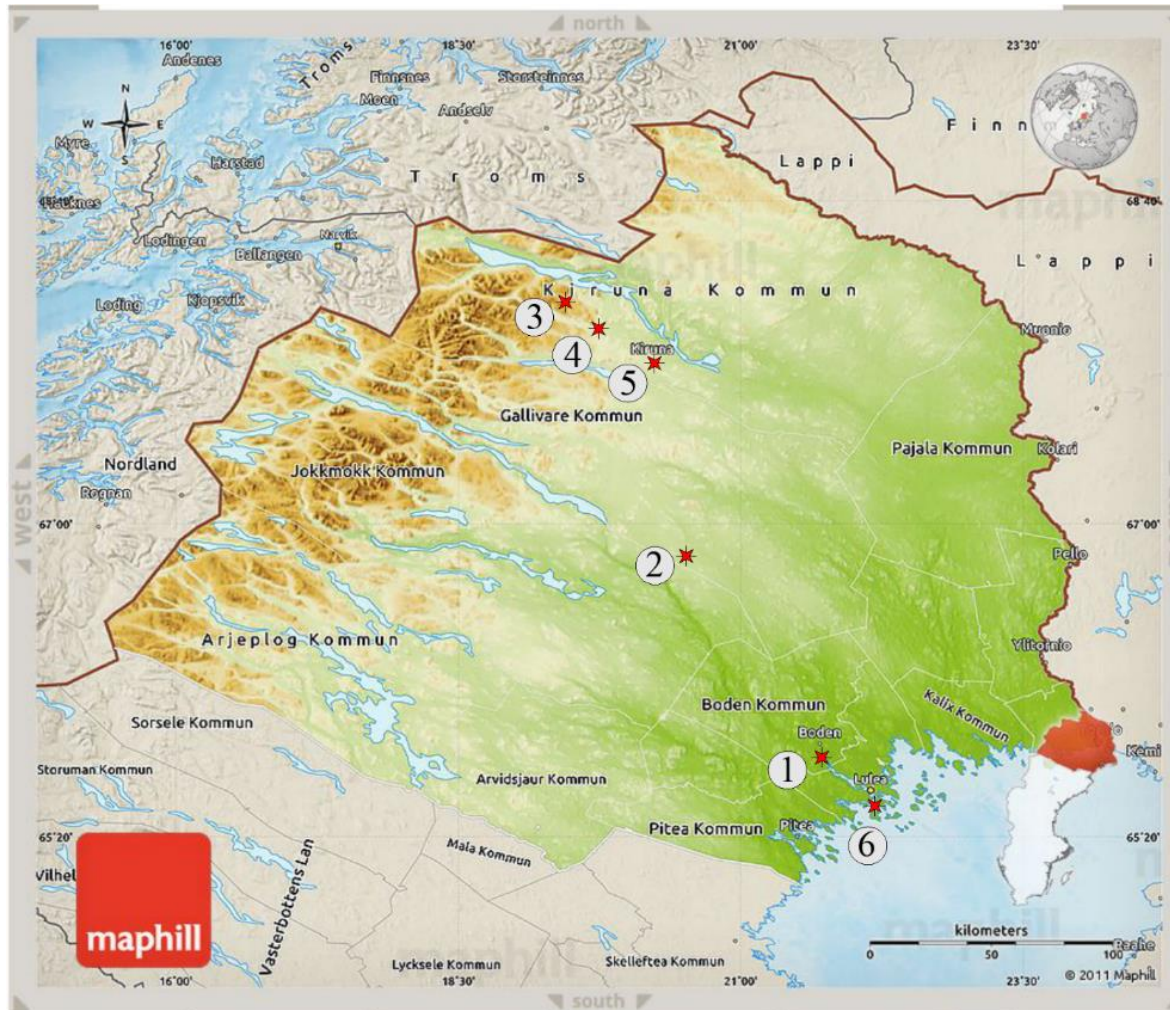
- Faster, reliable, low-cost alternative is needed
  - Close-range photogrammetry | infrared scanning | Laser scanning
- Six existing concrete railway bridges
  - Varied difficulty
- Analysis
  - Geometric deviations
  - Vizualizations capabilities
  - Level of the inspector's experience
  - Degree of automation

# THE SELECTED BRIDGES

- Six bridges were selected to evaluate the technologies
- Varied difficulties (hard-to-access, high vegetation, deep/rapid waters under the bridge)
- Different weather conditions (from sunny day to cloudy, raining and snowing)



# THE SELECTED BRIDGES





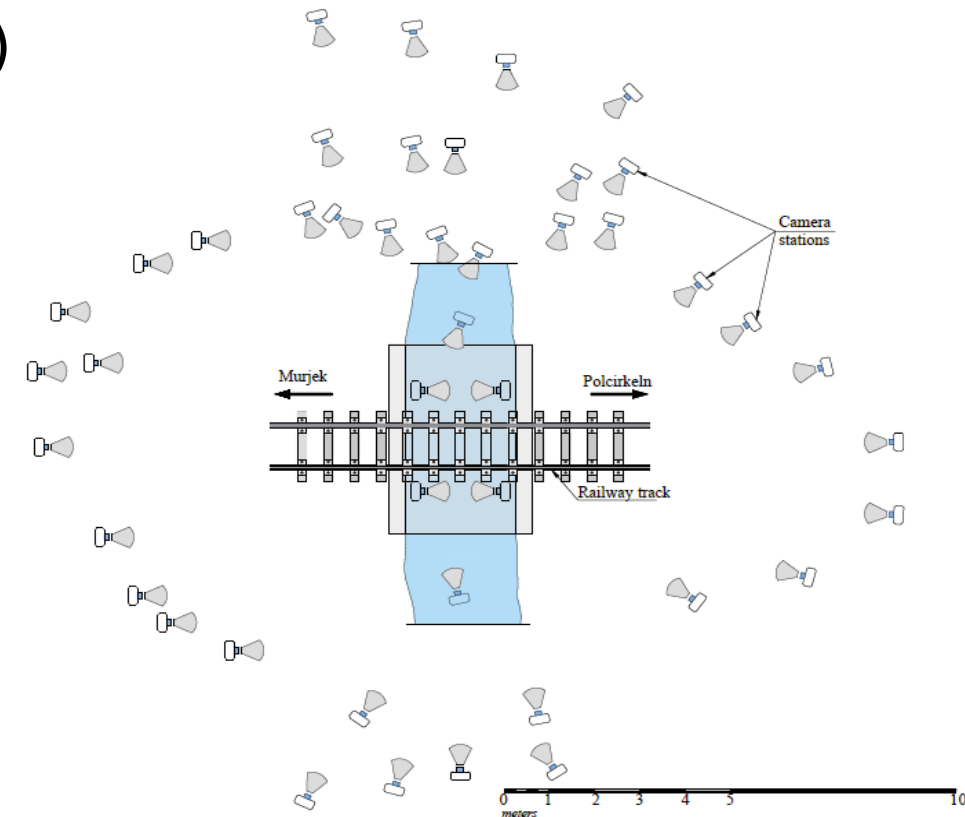
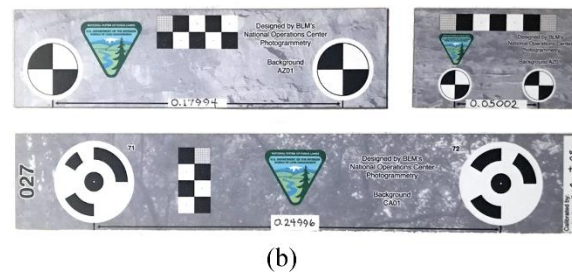
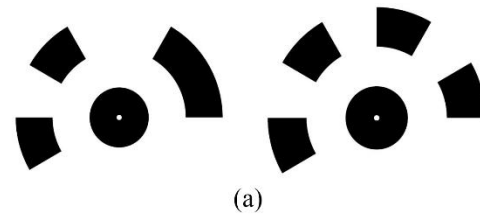
# TECHNIQUES AND EQUIPMENT

- **Terrestrial laser scanning**
  - 3D geometry using light detection and ranging technology (LiDAR)
  - long-range, RIEGL VZ-400
  - time-of-flight principle with measurements ranging from 1.5 m to 600 m
  - scan angle ranges are  $100^\circ$  vertical and  $360^\circ$  horizontal



# TECHNIQUES AND EQUIPMENT

- Ground-based/aerial photogrammetry
  - Series of images recorded using digital cameras
  - Photos taken with an overlap of about 60-80%
  - Distinct features: natural or artificial (targets)



# TECHNIQUES AND EQUIPMENT

- **Team #1**

- Two MSc students with no prior experience
- Canon 5D (12.8 MP) + Canon EF 35mm
- Agisoft PhotoScan Pro

- **Team #2**

- Two experienced surveyors
- Canon 5D Mark II (21.1 MP) + Canon EF 24 mm
- 3DR Site Scan drone
- Bentley ContextCapture



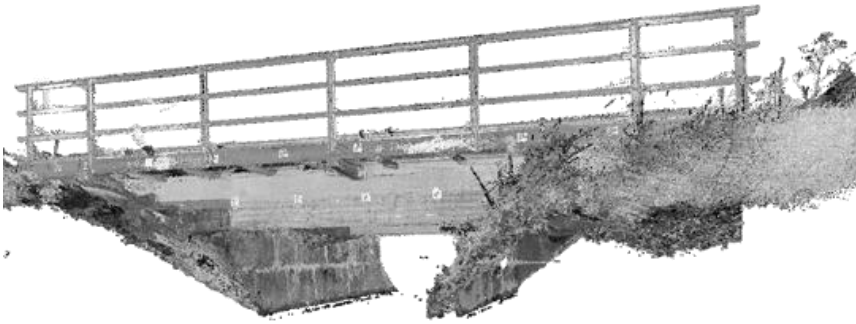
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- Infrared scanning
  - RGB-D cameras in combination with: infrared camera + infrared projector
  - Matterport Pro2 3D Camera
  - Scan angle range: 360° horizontal and 300° vertical
  - Maximum range 4.5 m
  - Matterport own cloud service



# VISUALIZATION CAPABILITIES

- Påunakbäcken bridge



Terrestrial laser scanning



Photogrammetry



Infrared scanning

# VISUALIZATION CAPABILITIES

- Kedkejokk bridge



Terrestrial laser scanning



Photogrammetry

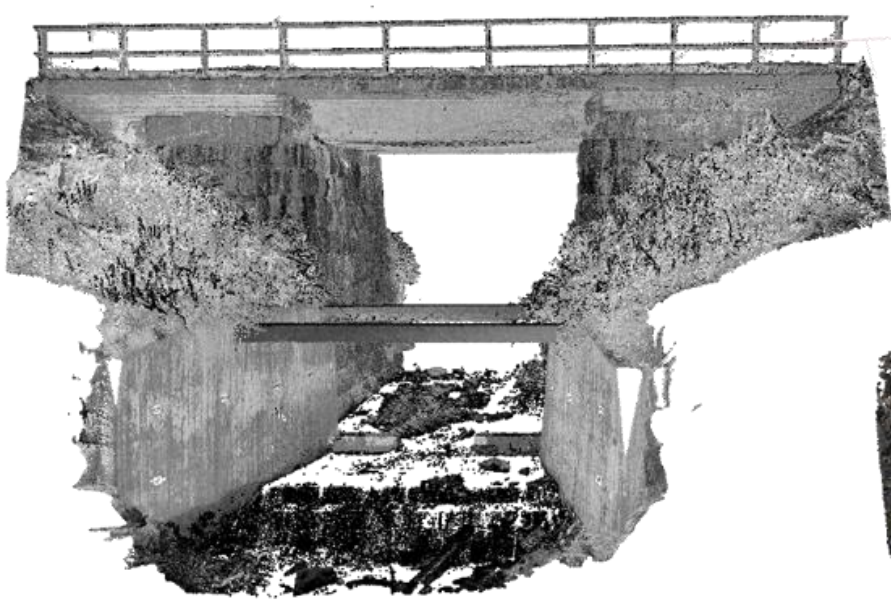


Infrared scanning



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- Juovajokk bridge



Terrestrial laser scanning



Photogrammetry



Infrared scanning

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- Kalkällevägen bridge



Terrestrial laser scanning



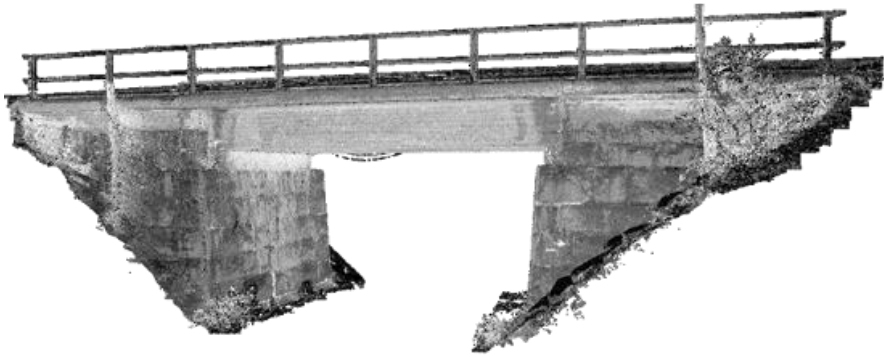
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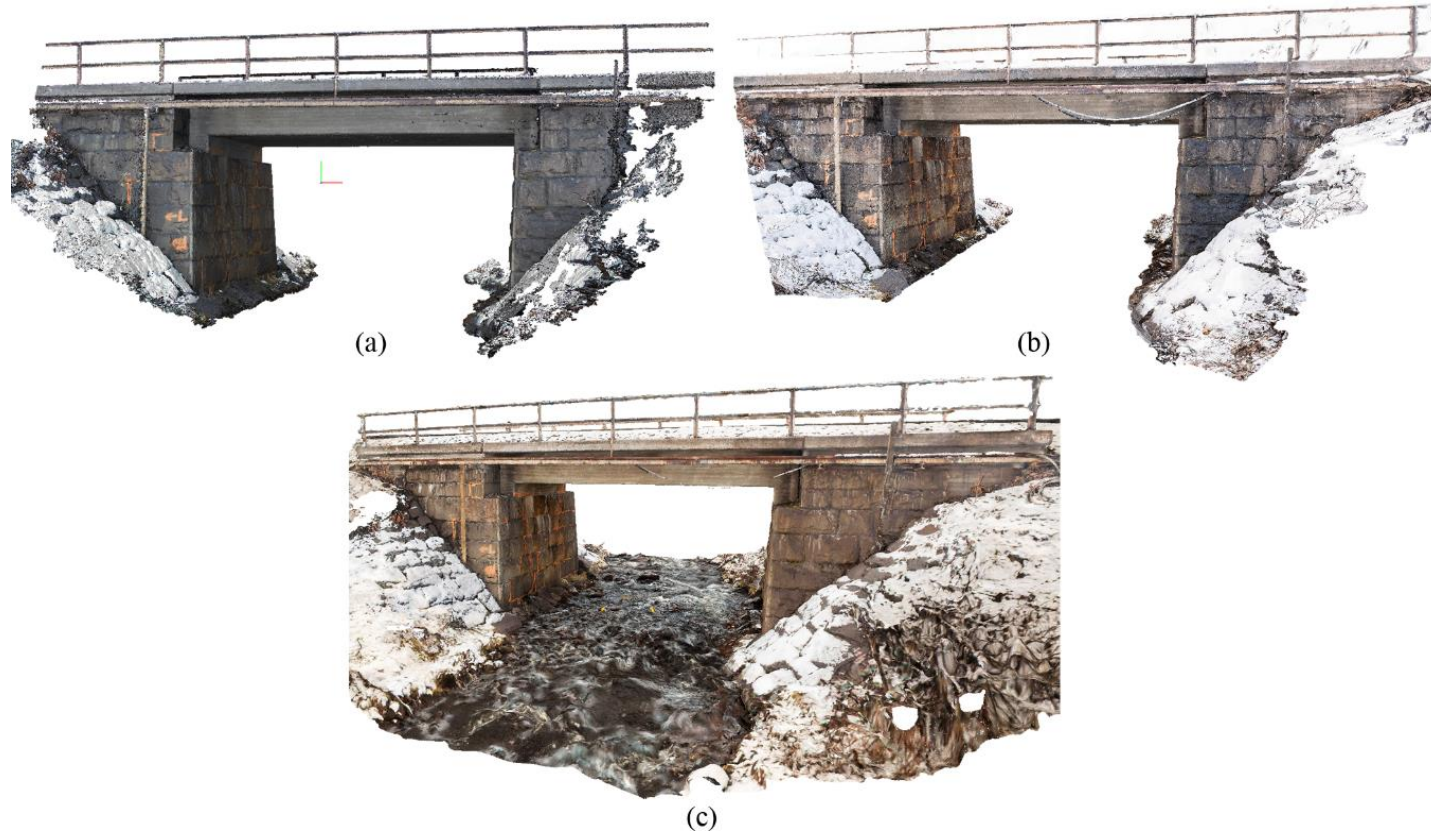
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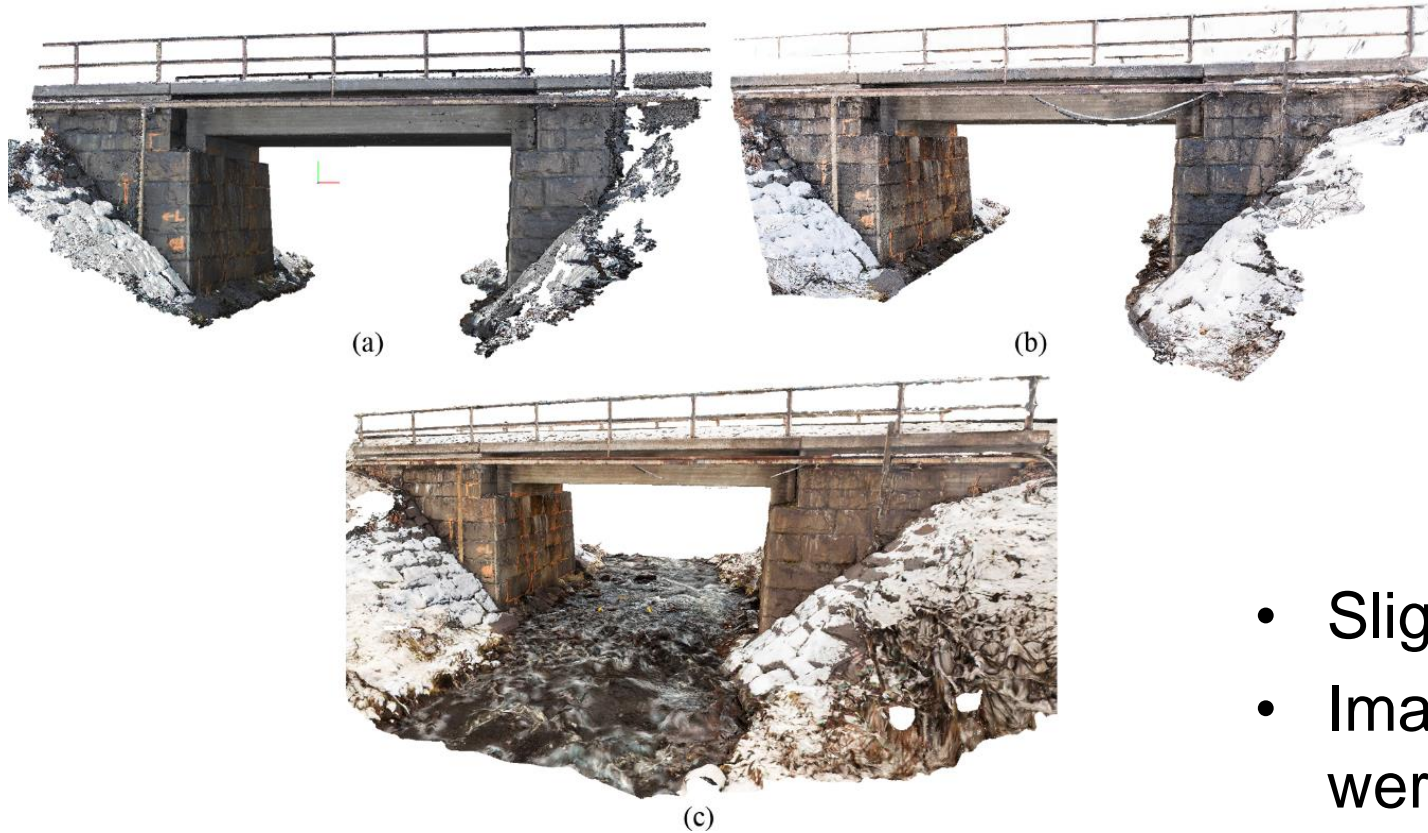
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**Photogrammetry models of Pahtajokk bridge**

- a) Agisoft PhotoScan Pro + Canon 5D
- b) Bentley ContextCapture + Canon 5D
- c) Bentley ContextCapture + Canon 5D Mark II + 3DR Site Scan drone

- Slight difference in contrast
- Image quality and amount of overlap were sufficient to create the 3D models
- Steepness of its learning curve → affect its rate of uptake

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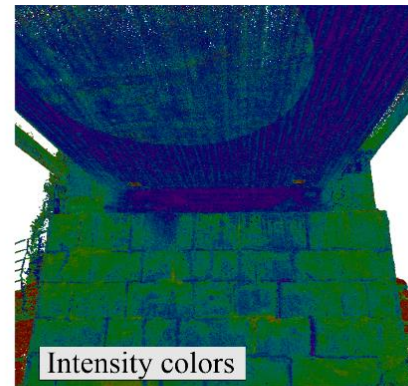
- Pahtajokk bridge



Phototograph



Terrestrial laser scanning



Photogrammetry



Infrared scanning

## Rendering

- IS and CRP models include RGB information → true-to-life experience

## Resolution

- local densities of the point cloud
  - TLS model :  $228 \times 103$  points/m<sup>2</sup>
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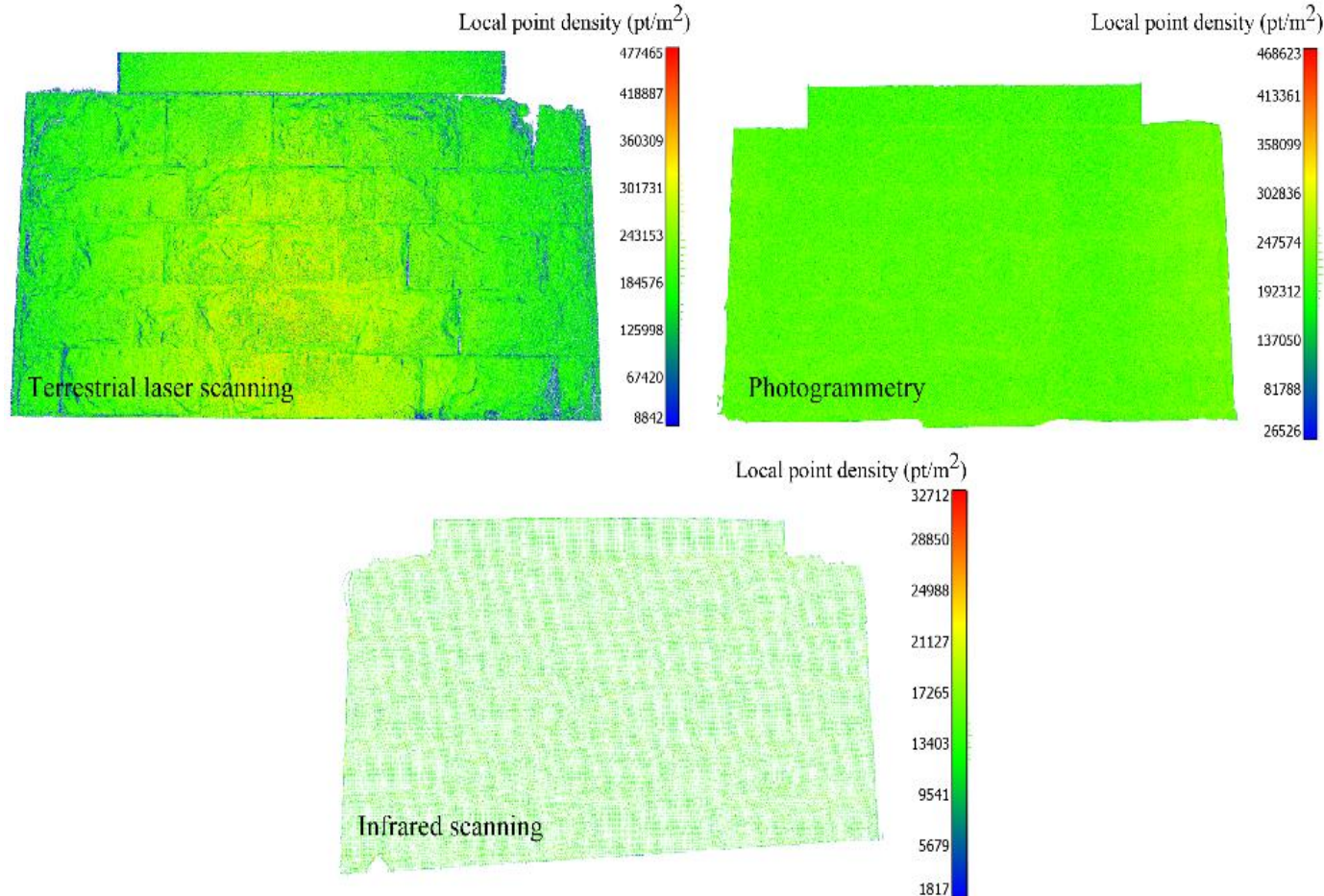
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# GEOMETRIC DEVIATIONS

Bridge	As-built dimension	Terrestrial laser scanning	Close-range Photogrammetry	Infrared scanning
	(mm)	% $\Delta$ L	% $\Delta$ L	% $\Delta$ L
<b>Påunakbäcken bridge</b>				
Span	2950	<b>-0.68%</b>	<b>-0.10%</b>	<b>1.19%</b>
Width (deck)	4500	<b>0.38%</b>	<b>0.56%</b>	<b>1.02%</b>
<b>Juovajokk bridge</b>				
Span	5500	<b>-1.20%</b>	<b>-1.60%</b>	<b>-0.76%</b>
Width (deck)	3800	<b>-0.53%</b>	<b>-1.71%</b>	<b>-0.53%</b>
<b>Kallkällevägen bridge</b>				
Central span (interax)	14500	<b>0.63%</b>	<b>-0.22%</b>	<b>2.26%</b>
Width (deck)	4540	<b>-0.31%</b>	<b>-0.66%</b>	<b>1.94%</b>
Diameter (pillar)	1000	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>-2.30%</b>	<b>0.90%</b>

## Pahtajokk bridge

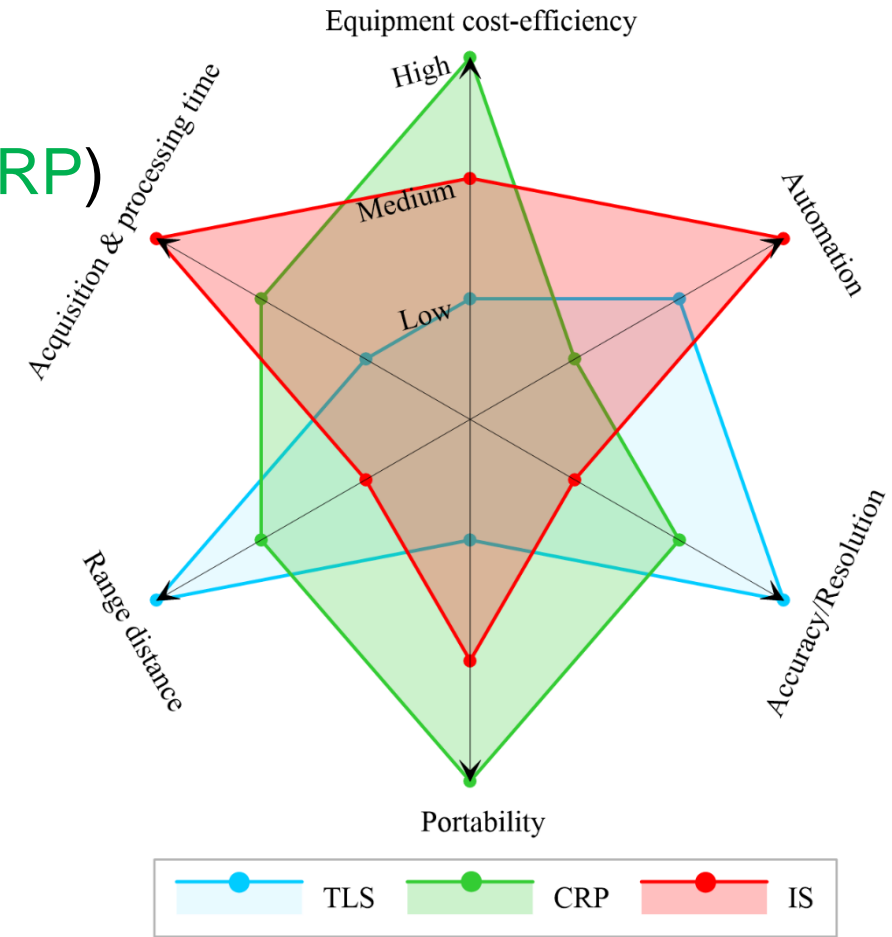
Span: -1.33% vs -1.38%

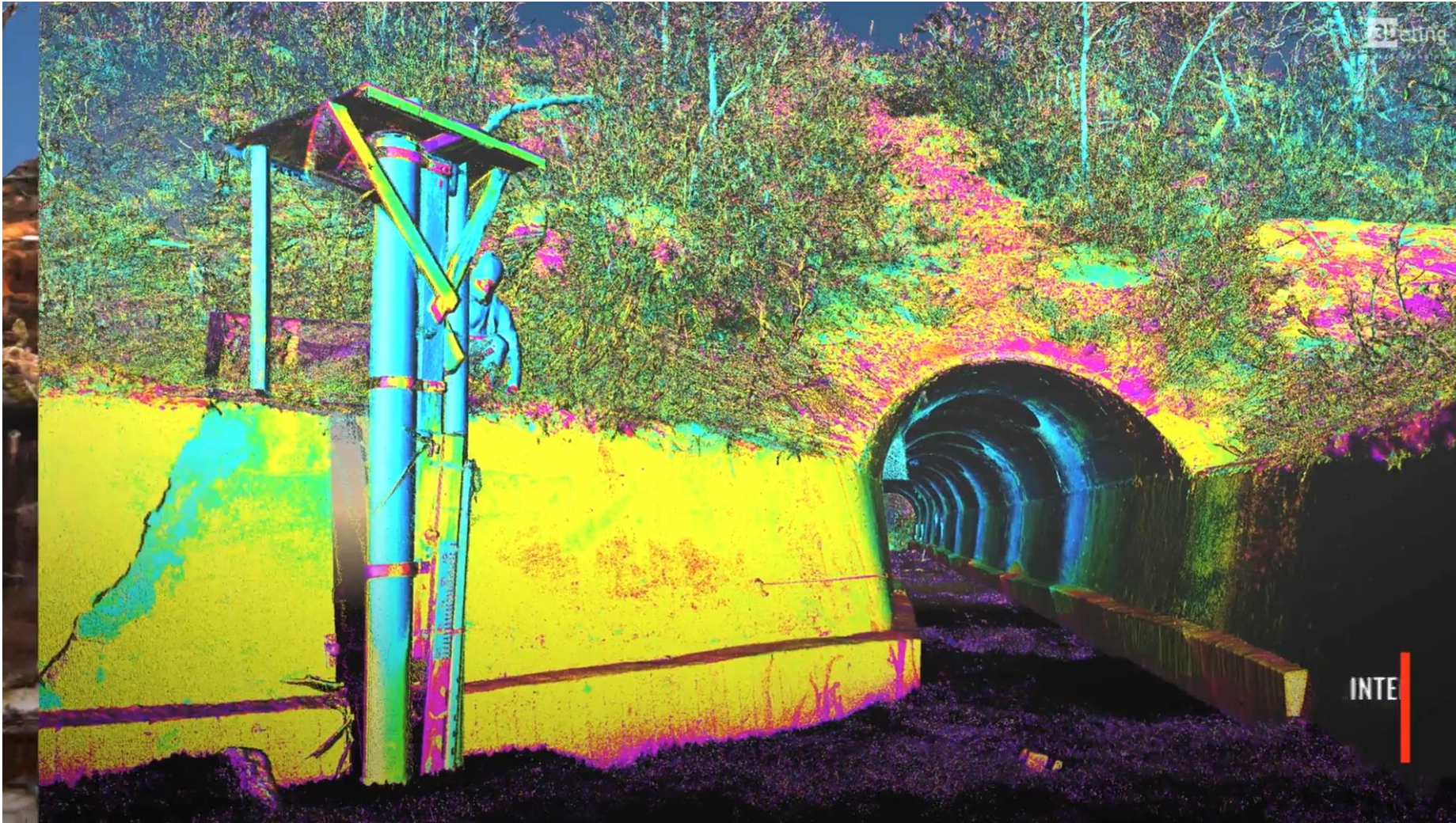
Width (deck): -1.28% vs -0.18%



# OVERALL COMPARISON

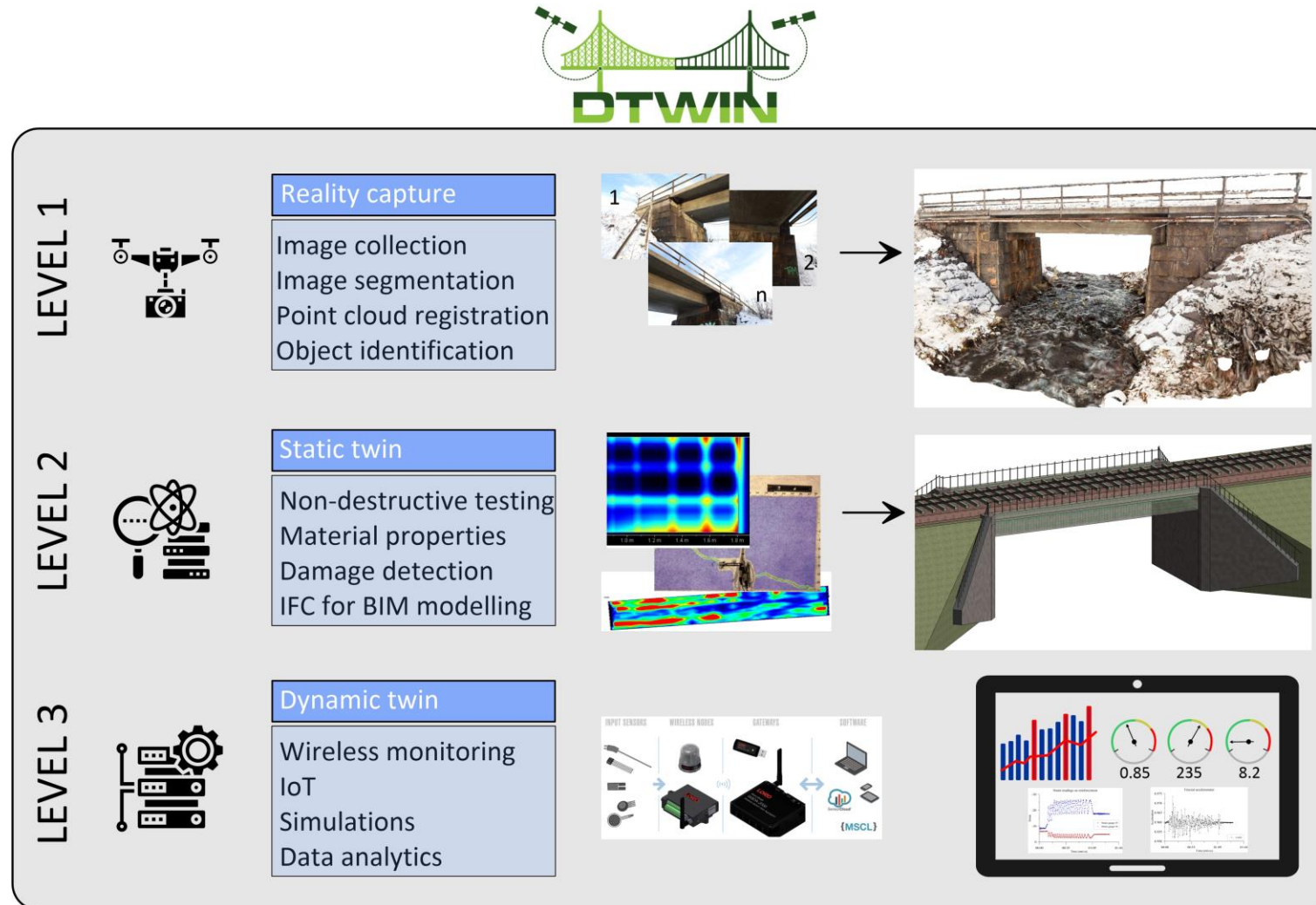
- Costs efficiency
  - 50000 € (TLS) | 4700 € (IS) | 1400 € (CRP)
- Data acquisition
  - 1-2 hours (TLS) | 15 min – 2 h (IS) | 1-4 hours (CRP)
- Post-processing time
  - Up to 7 days (TLS) and (CRP) | 2 days (IS)







# THE WAY FORWARD





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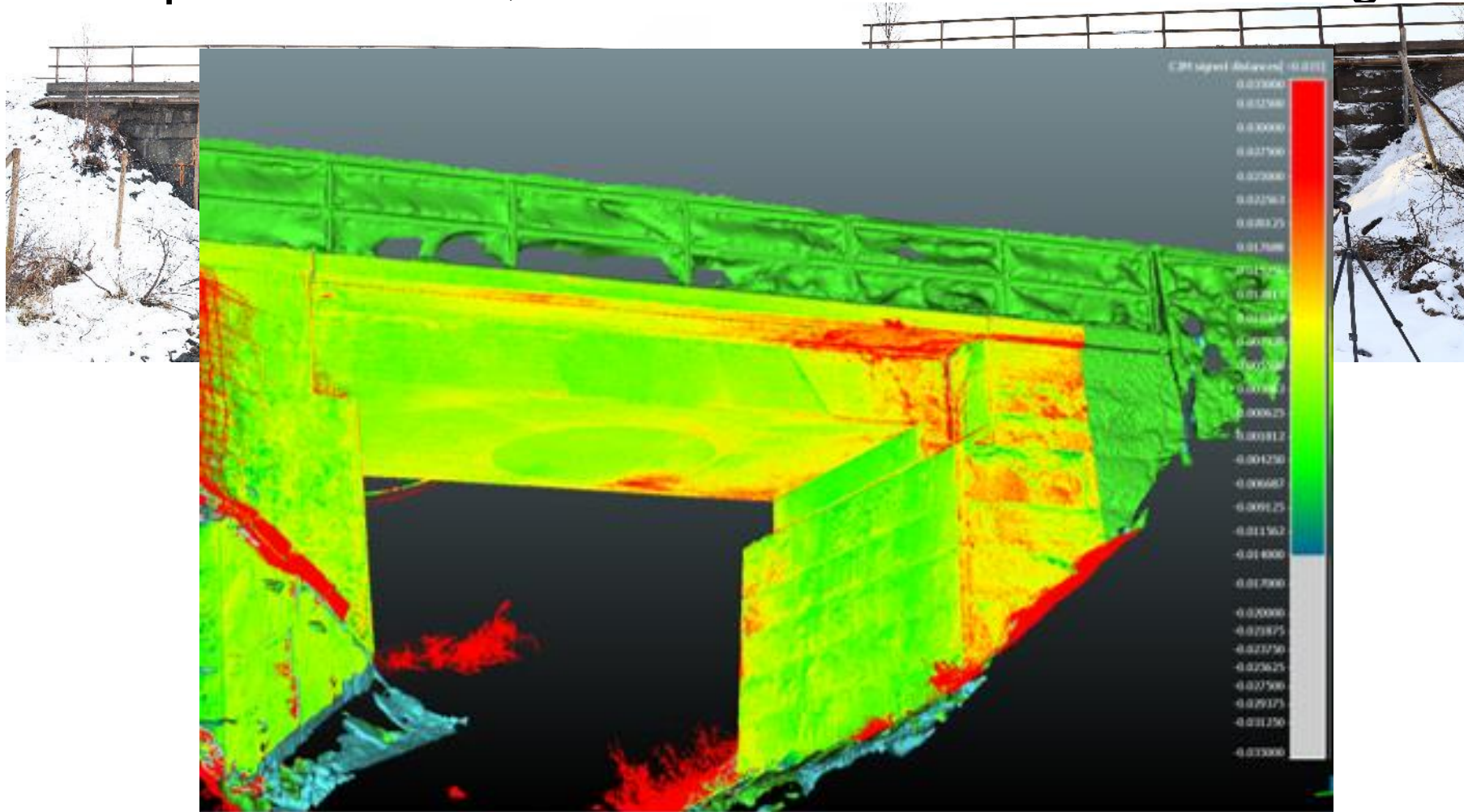
First scanning – year 1



Second scanning – year 2

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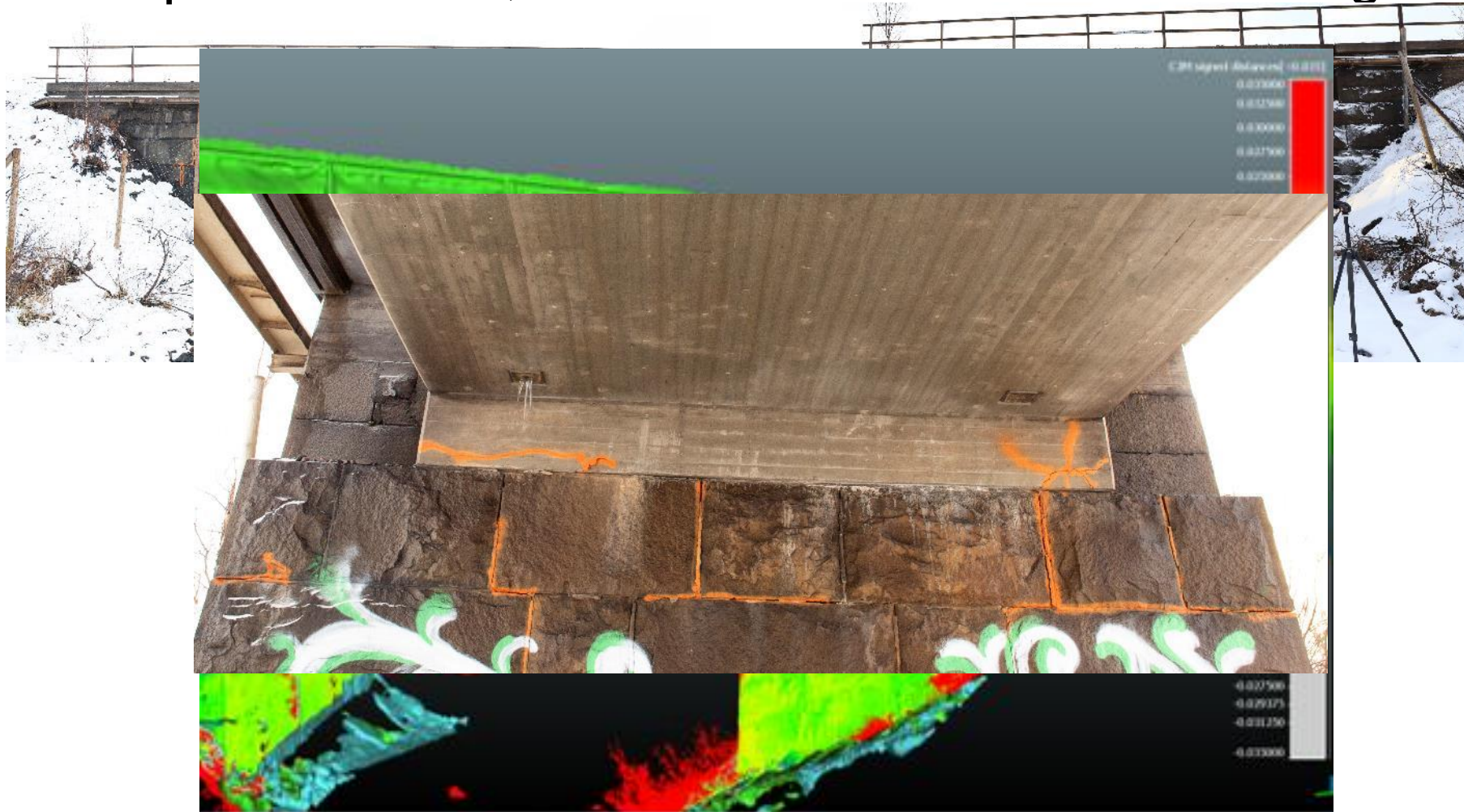
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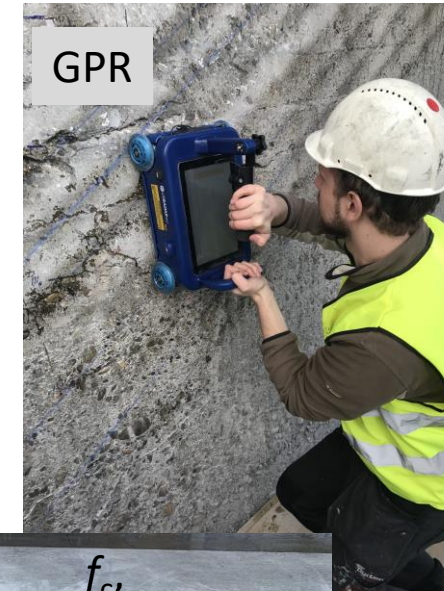
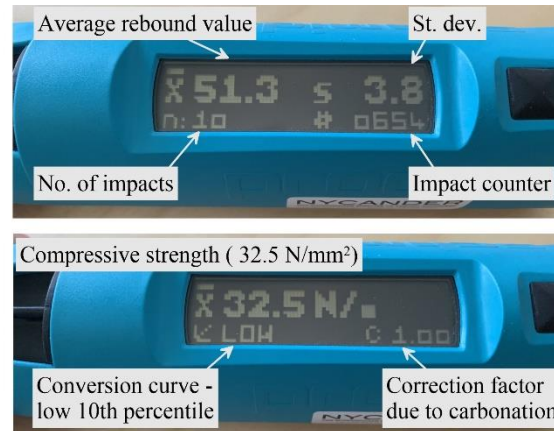
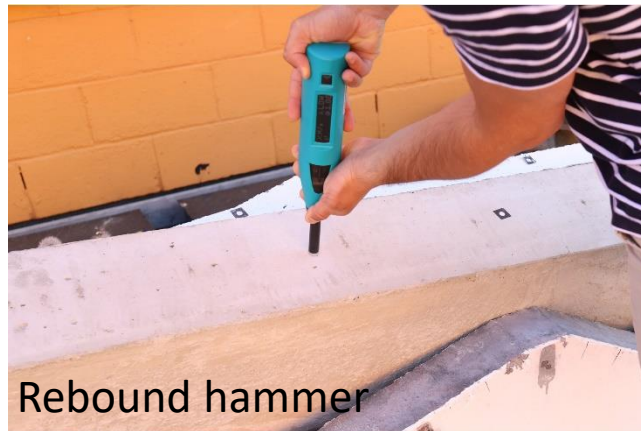
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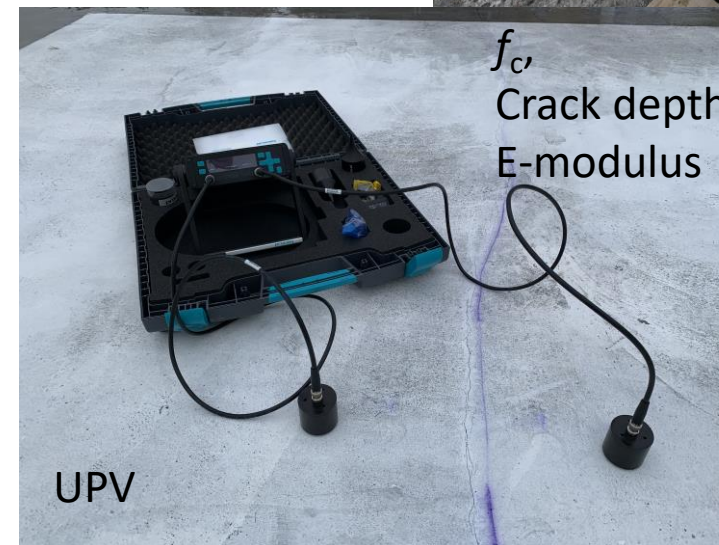
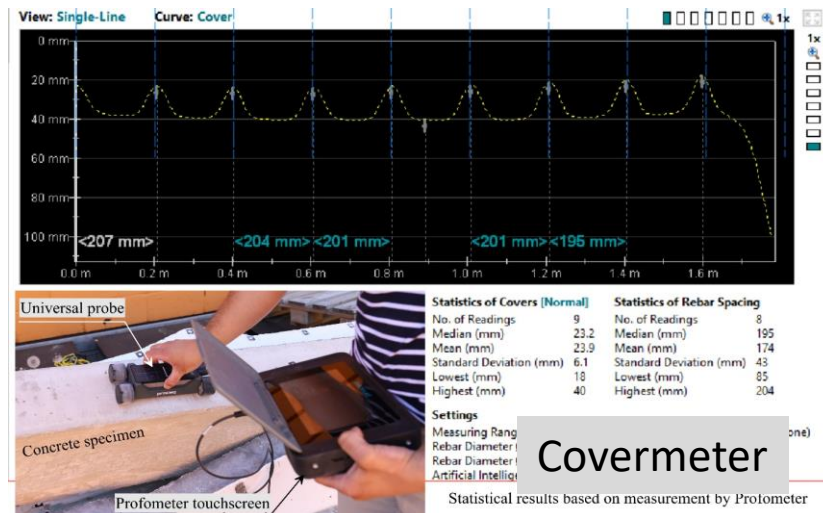


# INNER GEOMETRY & QUALITY ASSURANCE

- Non-destructive testing techniques

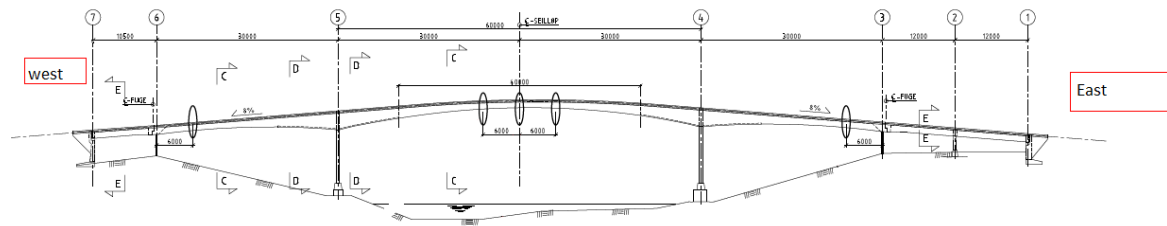


Pull-off tester

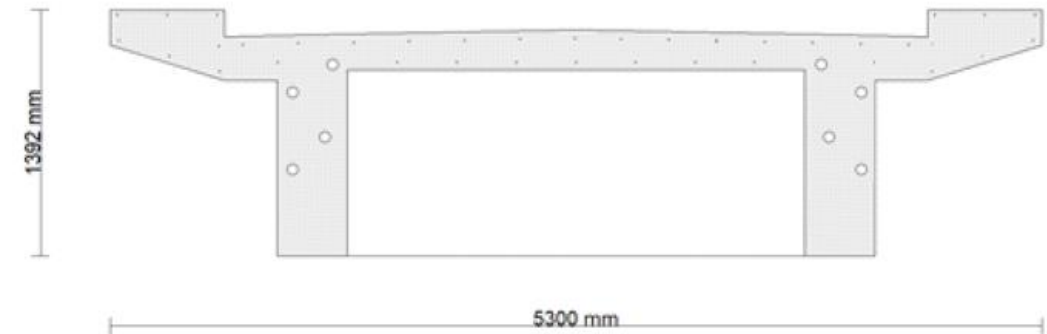


# INTERNAL DEFECTS

- For complicated projects, i.e. voids in ducts for prestressing cables, different techniques has to be combined. In addition the post-processing of data is advanced.



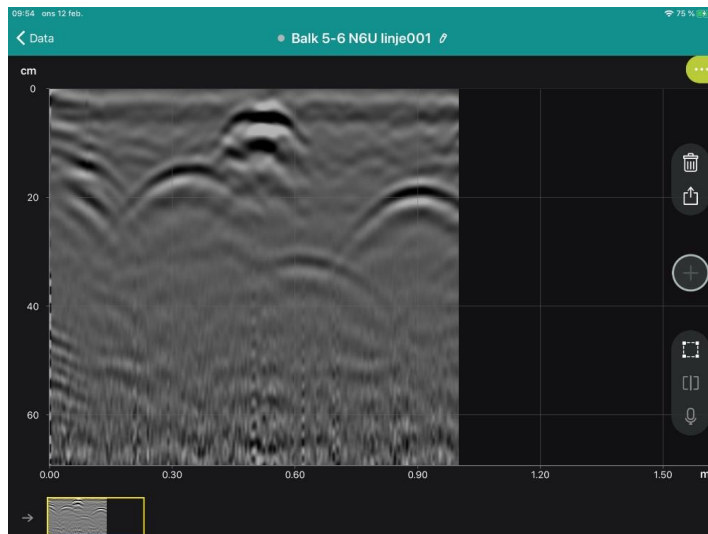
Cover meter + GPR +  
Tomografi (Ultrasound) +  
Impact Echo



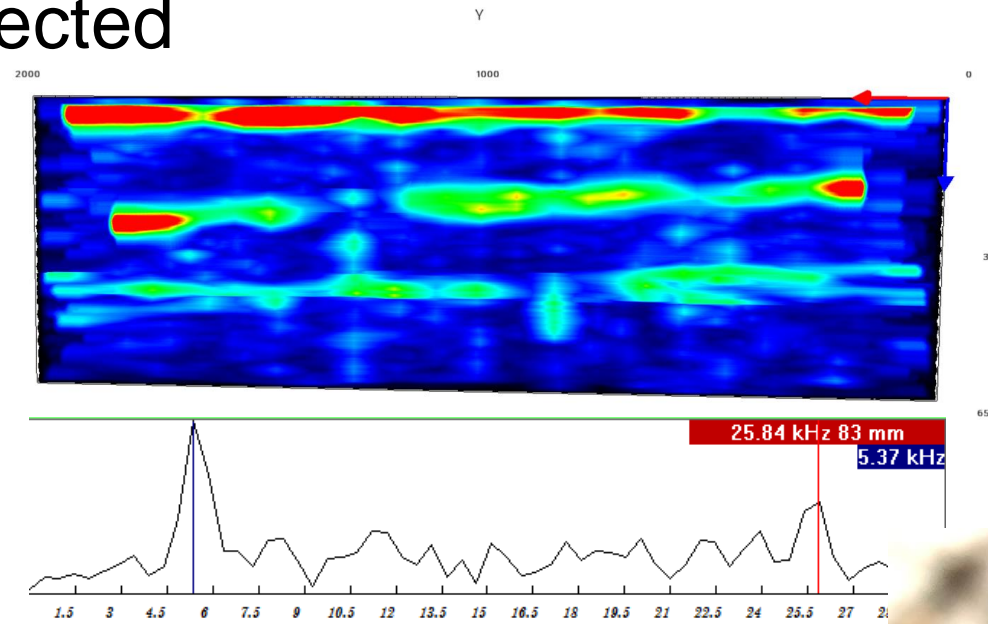
- ✓ Detection of deep-embedded tendons / cable ducts
- ✓ Grouting defects inside of cable ducts
- ✓ Delaminations

# INTERNAL DEFECTS

- Grouting defects detected



GPR detecting steel tendons



Processing of  
Tomografi (Ultrasound)  
+ Impact Echo





# CONCLUSIONS

- All methods produced digital models with different levels of completeness
- Good accuracy for geometric measurements
- The methods reduced significantly track possession and provided opportunities to create historical records of the progress of deterioration
- Possibilities to follow-up changes over time
- Non-destructive testing adds a second layer of information (inner geometry and in-depth evaluation)

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