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# Lidargrammetric co-matching and co-adjustment – a new method of photogrammetric and LiDAR data integration

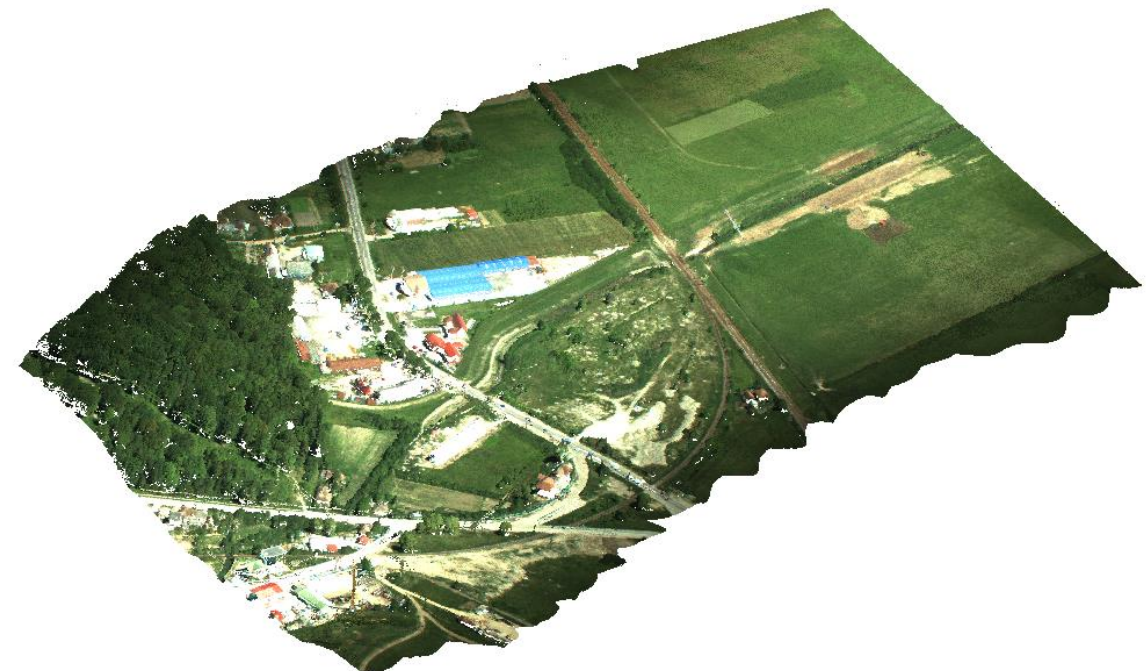
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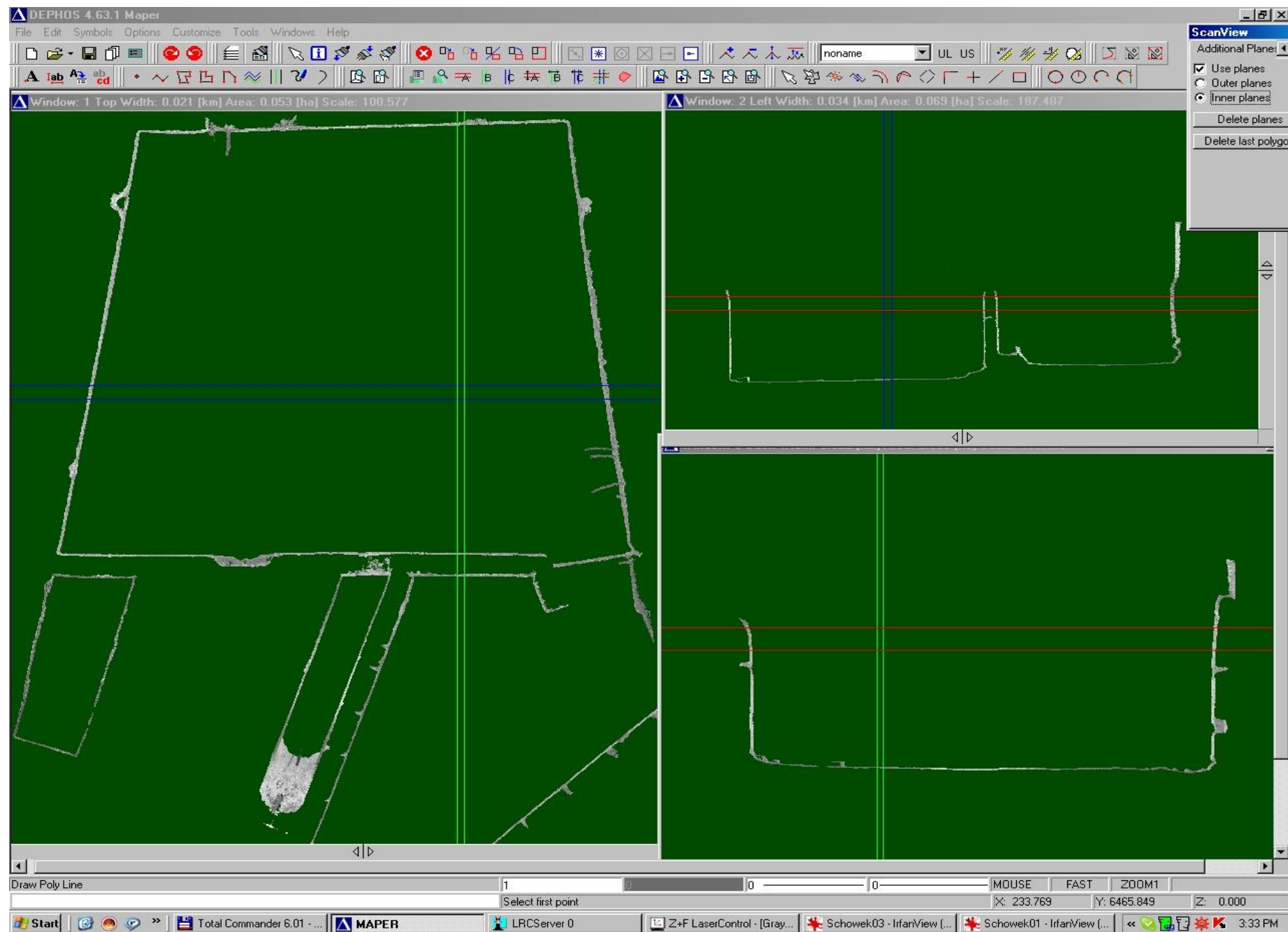


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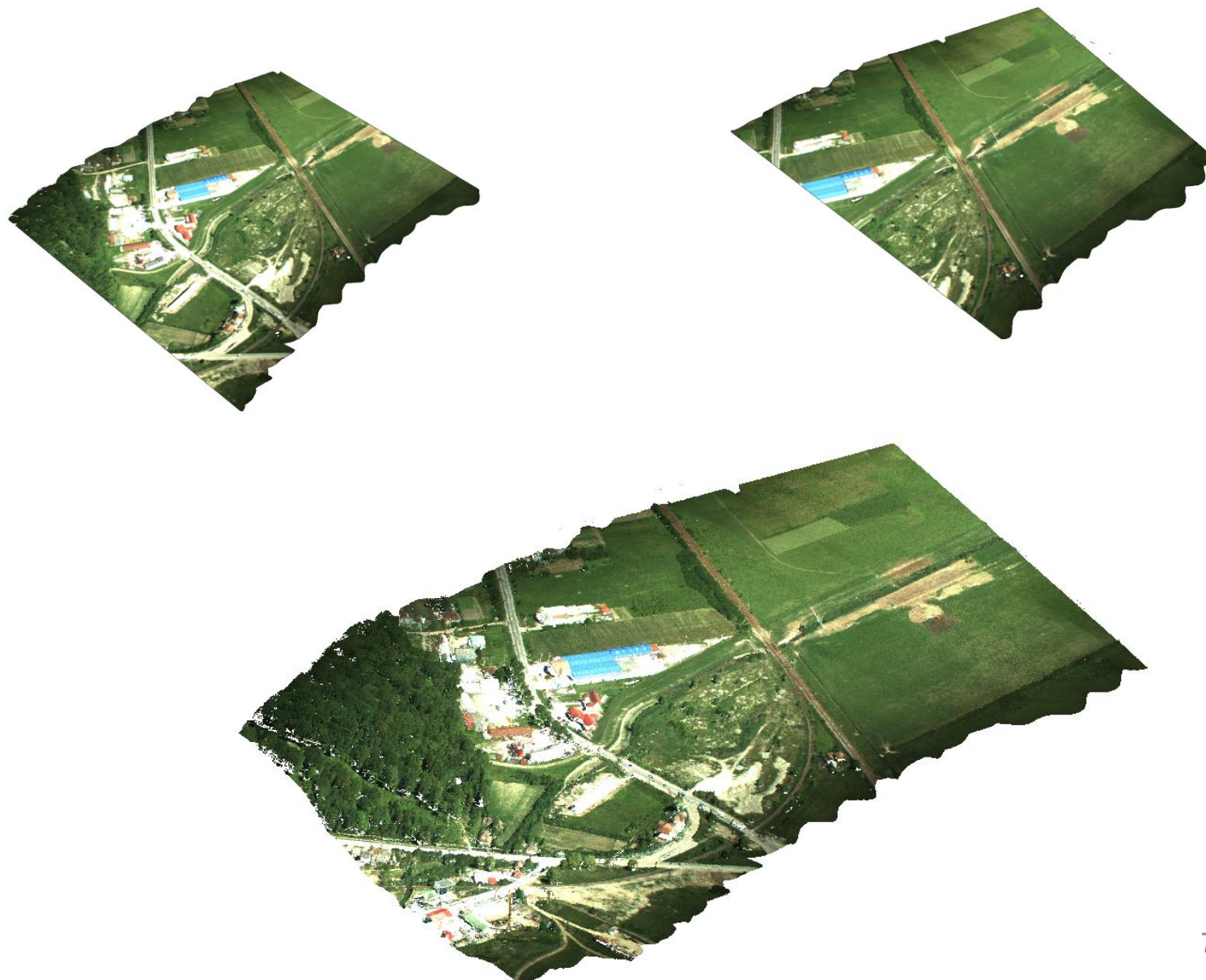
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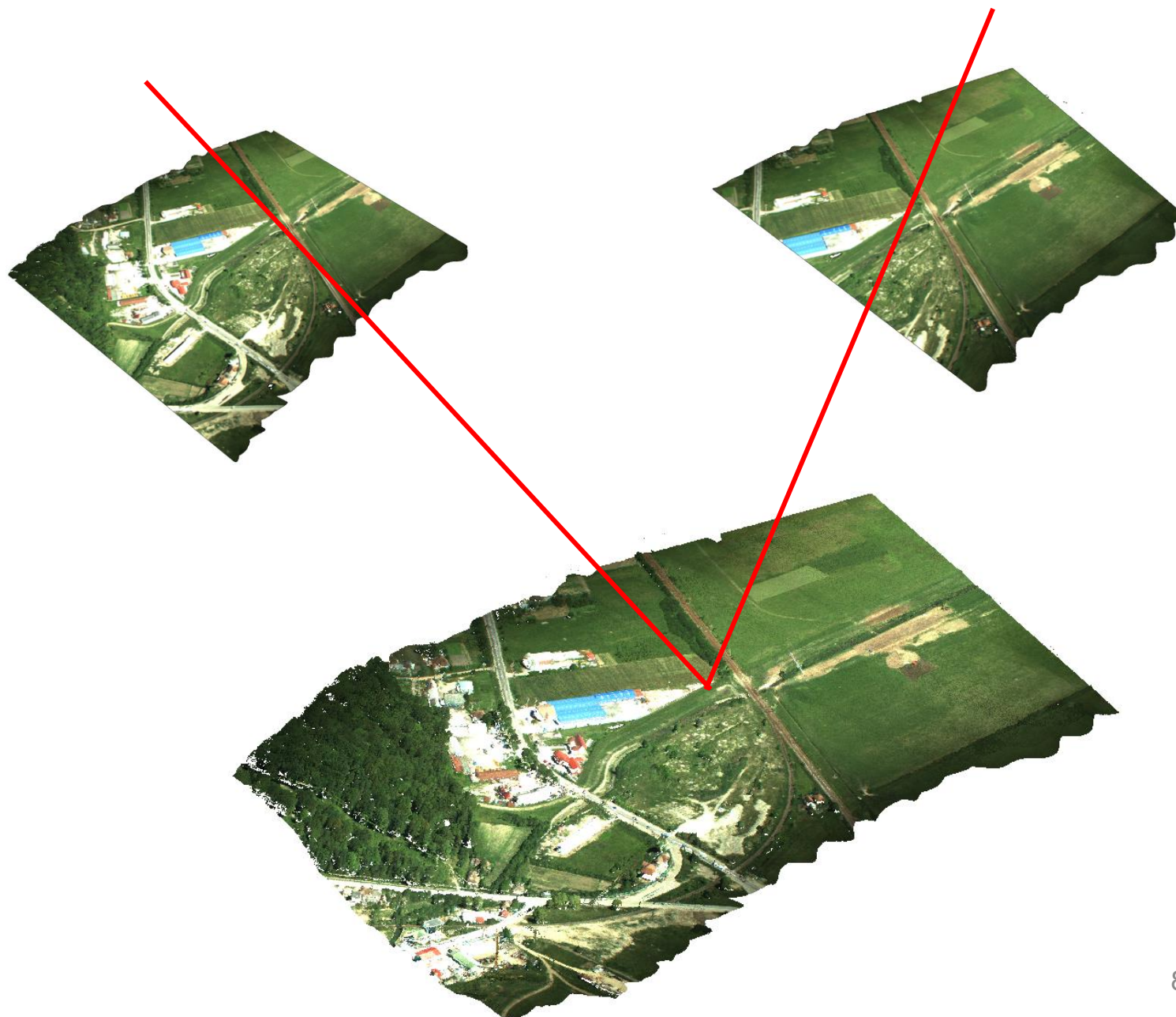
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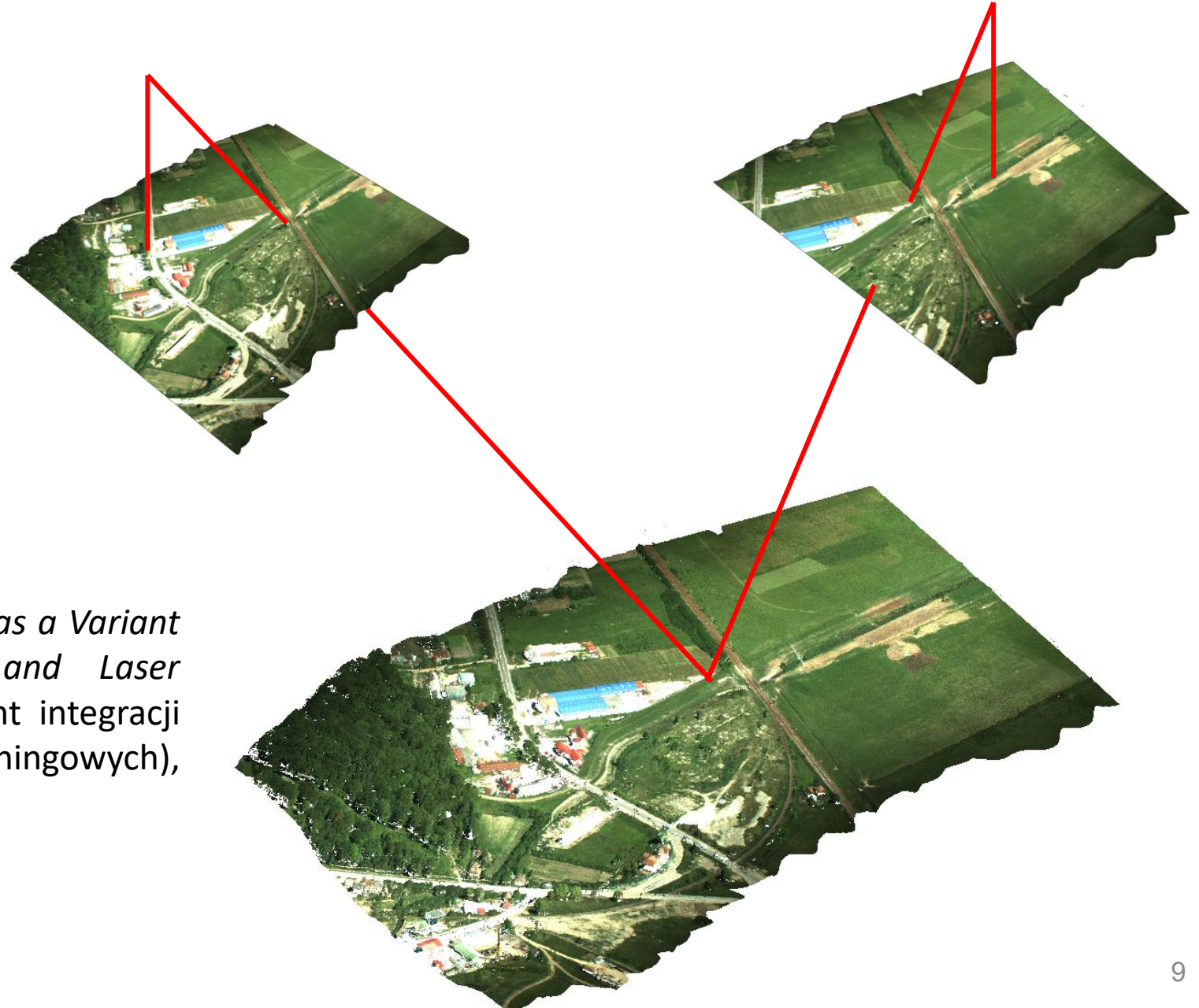
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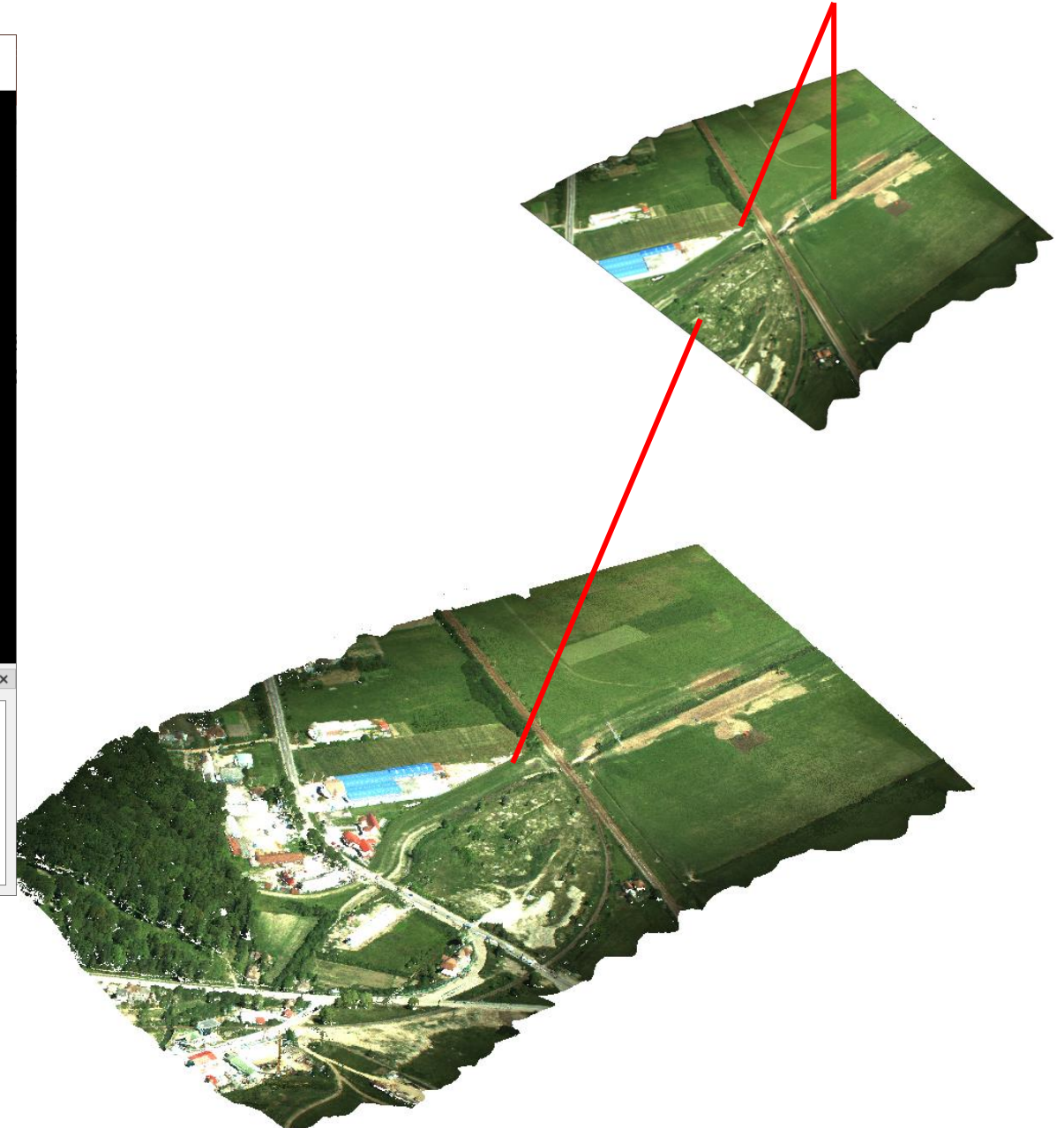
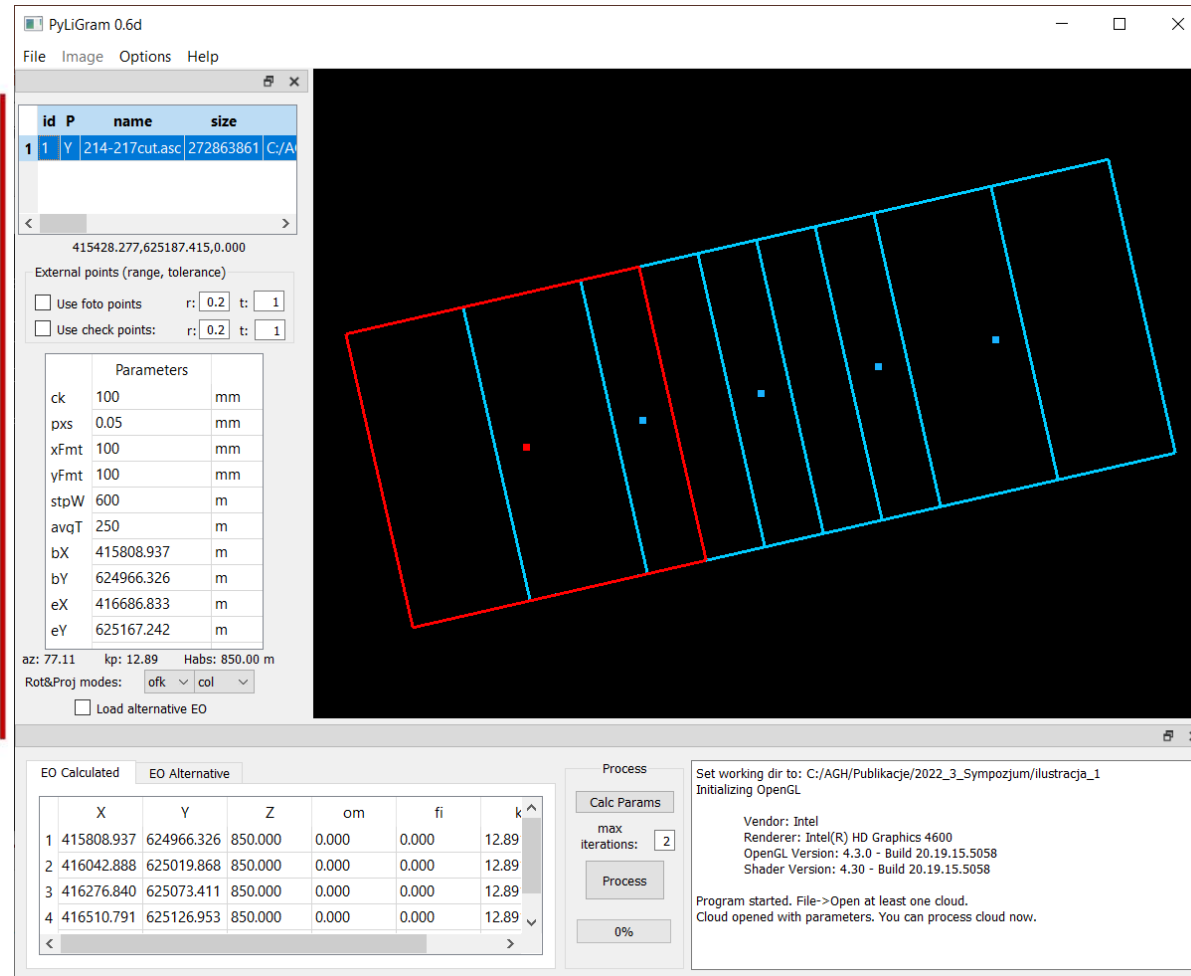


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# 1. Lidargrammetry + pixel-point idea



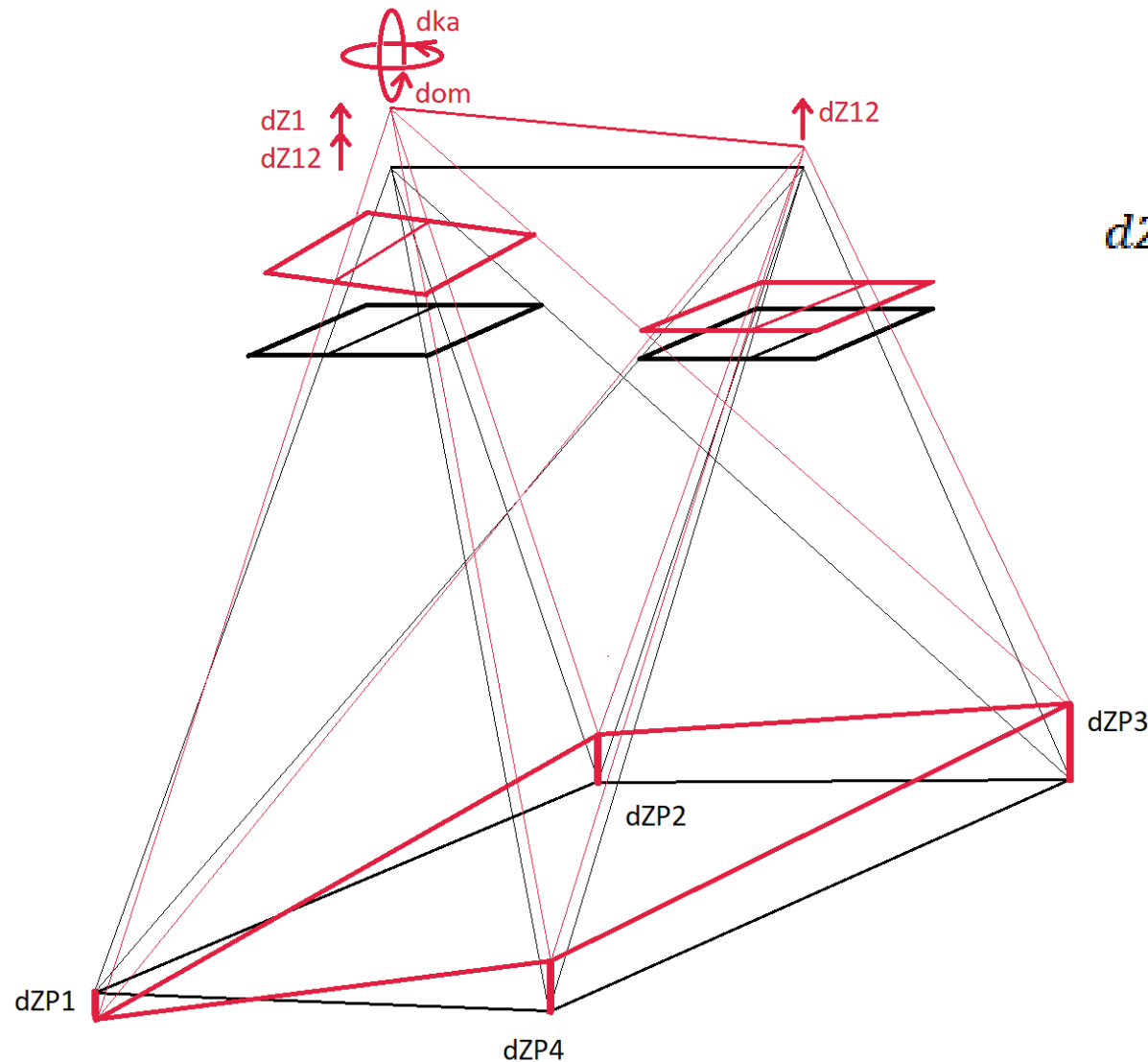
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with Mariusz Twardowski, PhD Eng.

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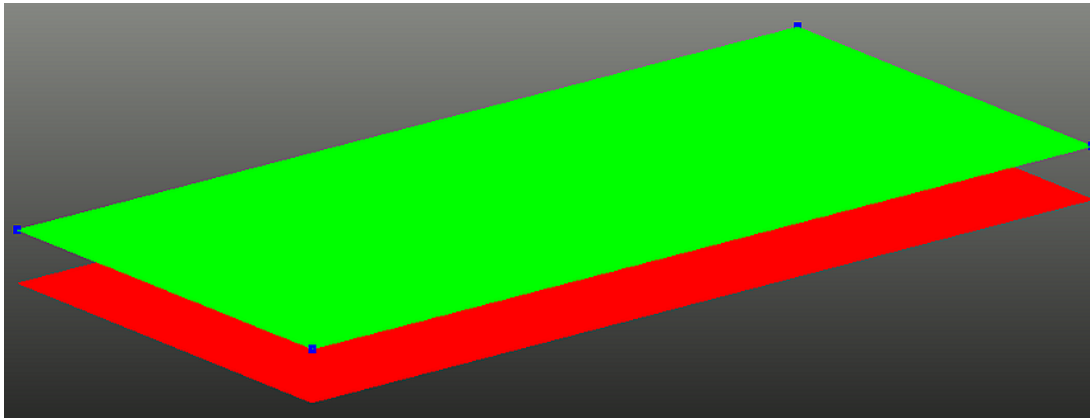
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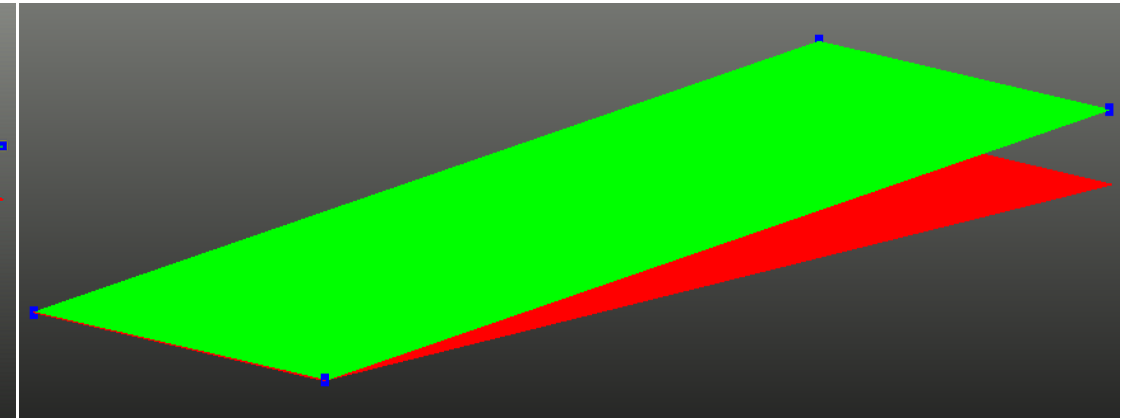


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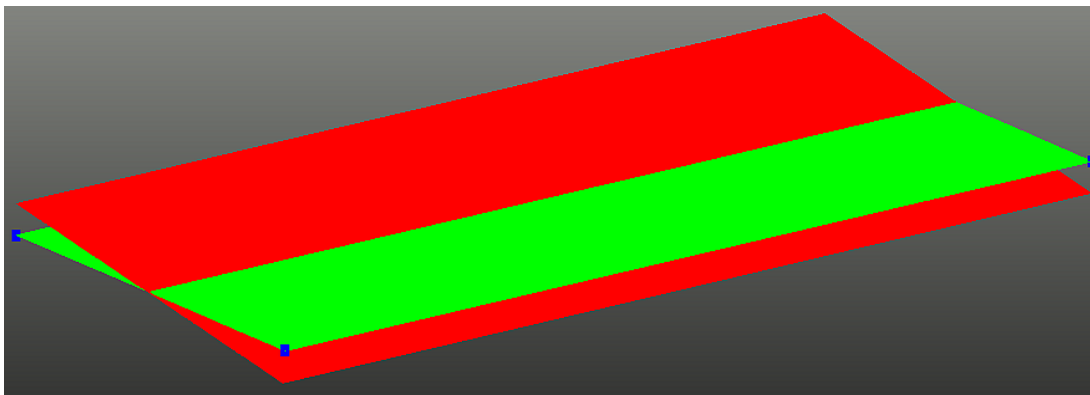
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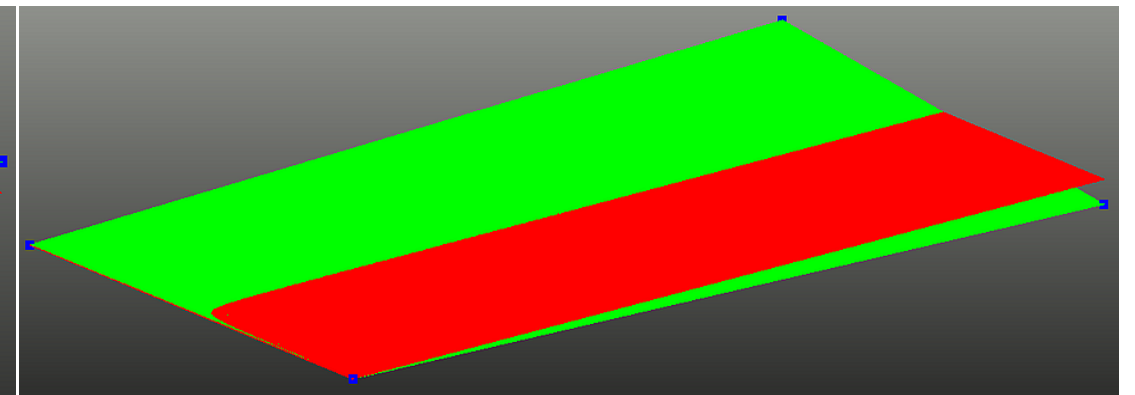
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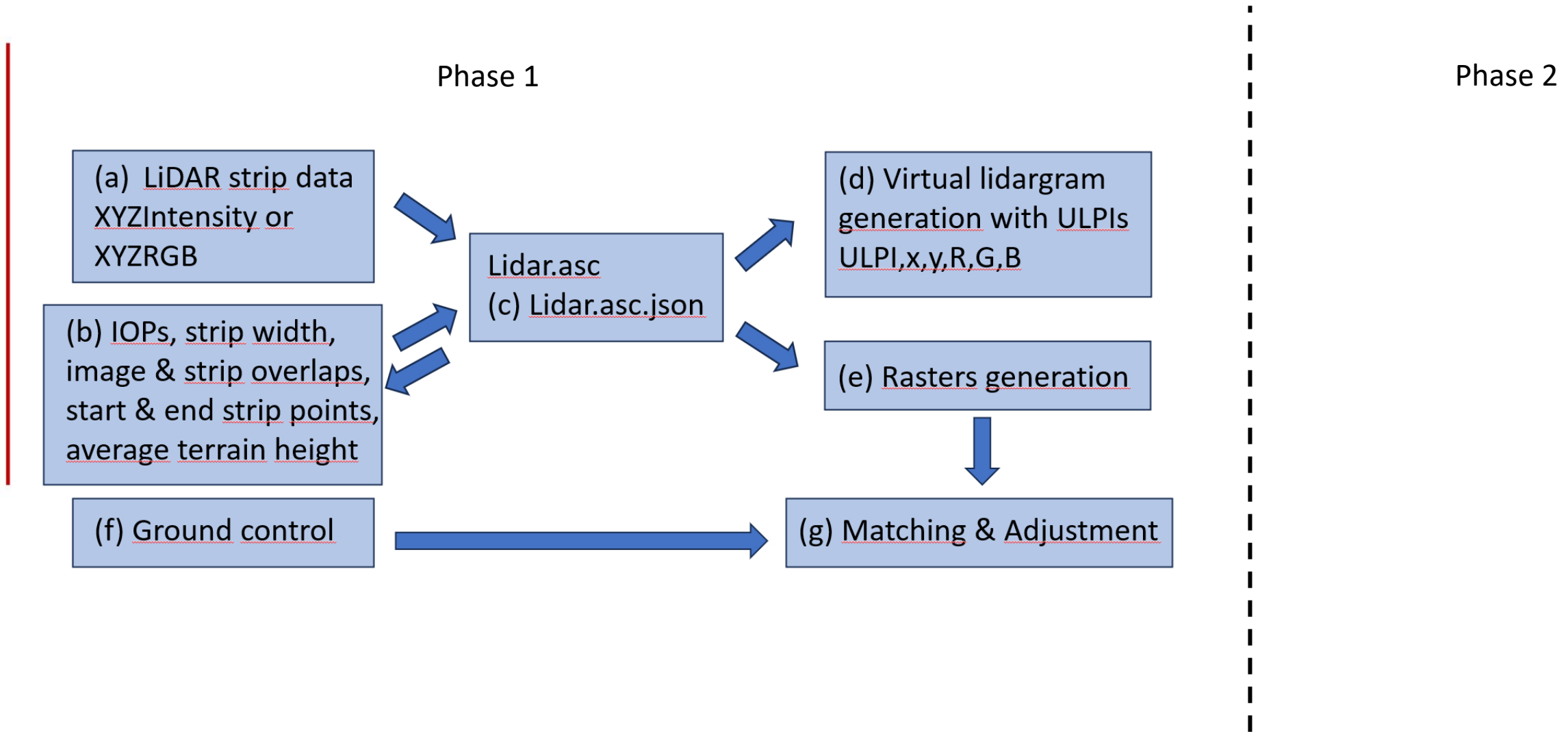
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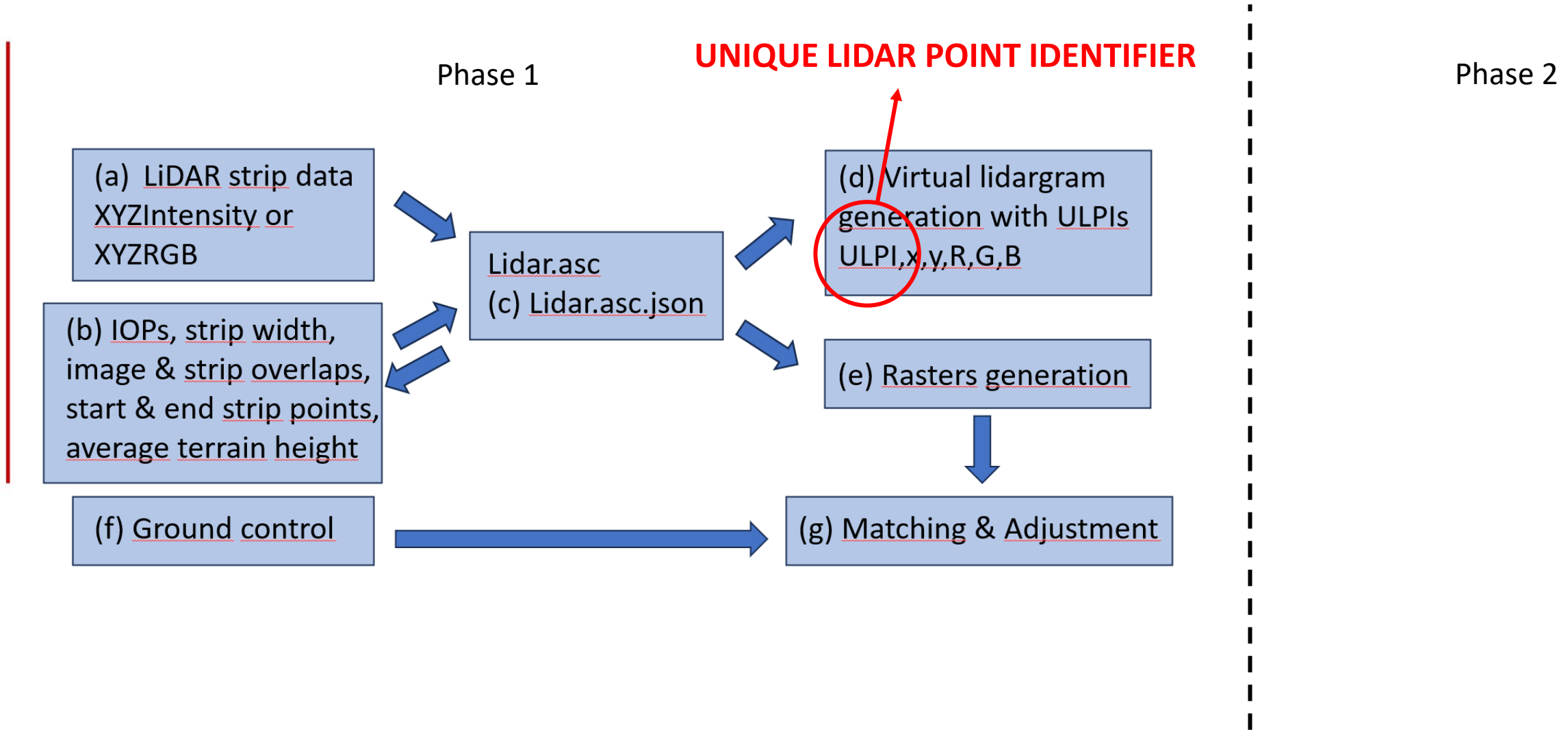
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Phase 1

**UNIQUE LIDAR POINT IDENTIFIER**

(d) Virtual lidargram  
ULPI, x, y, R, G, B

(g) Matching  
& Adjustment



(h) Adjusted EOPs



(i) Multi-intersection



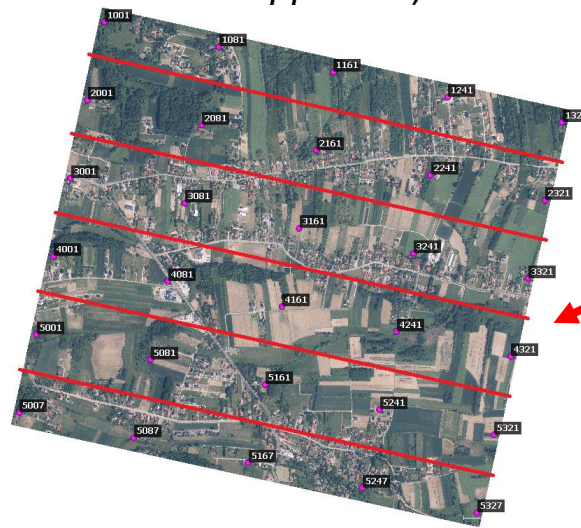
(j) Corrected  
LiDAR strips

Phase 2

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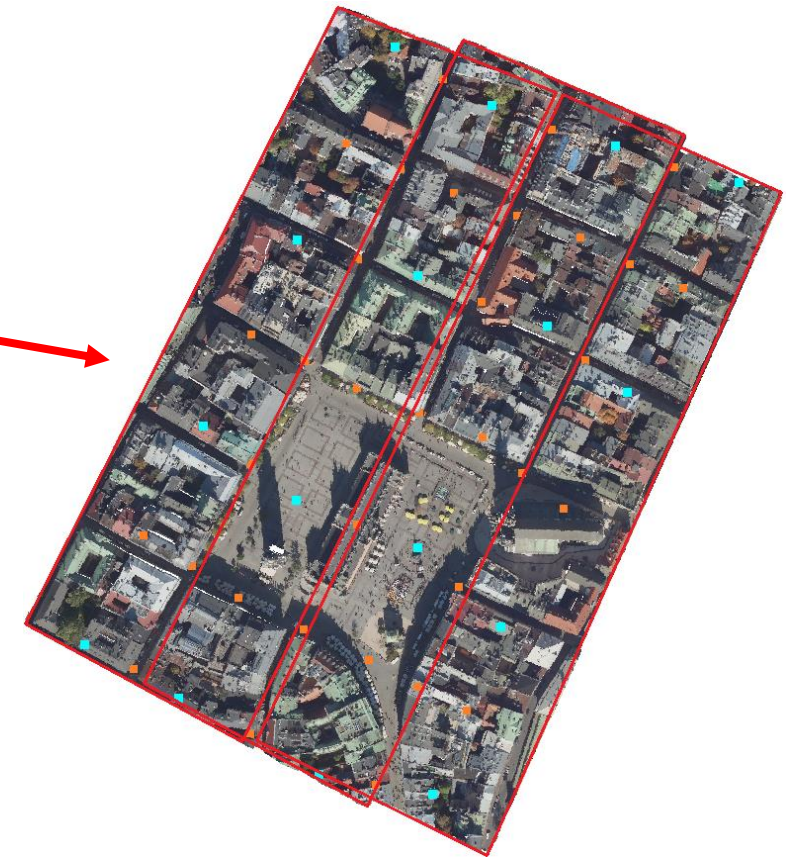
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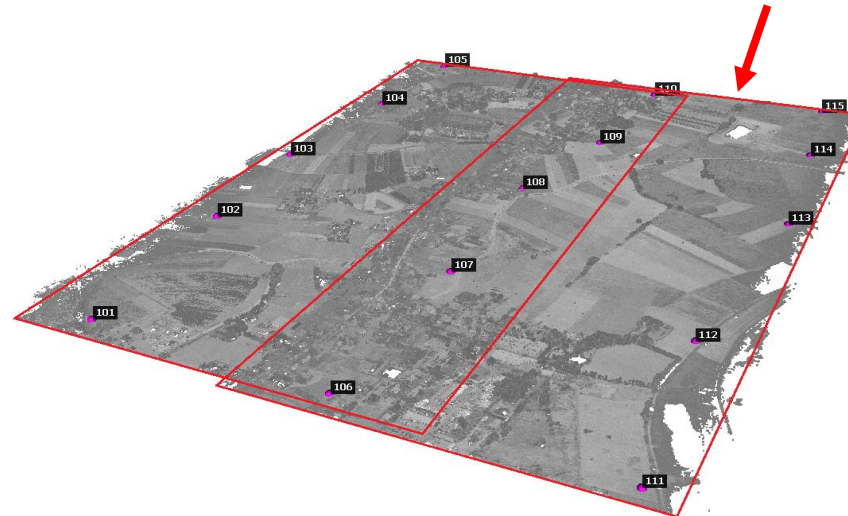


a) synthetic data (Biskupice test field)

b) semisynthetic data  
(Krakow Center test field)

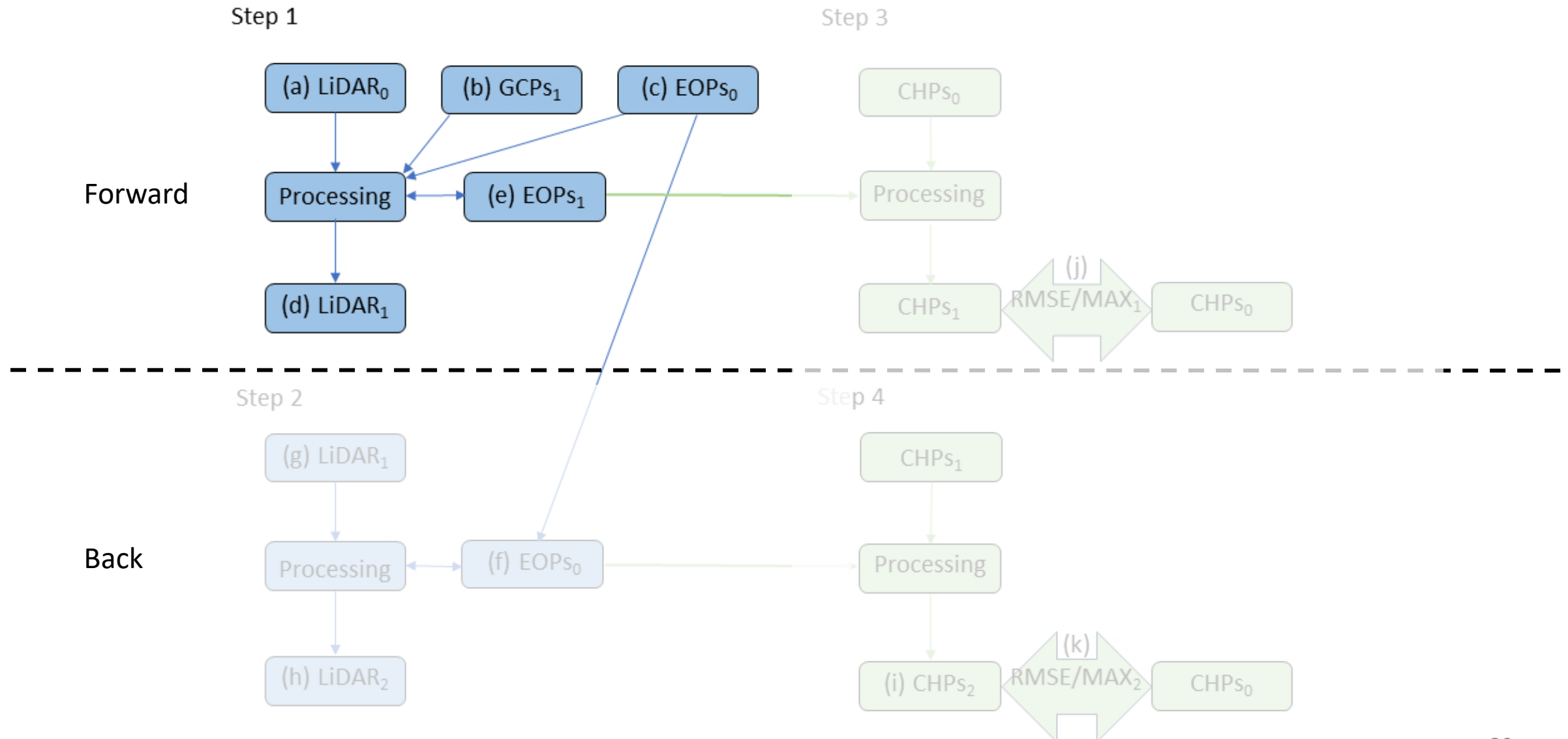


c) real data (Wola Batorska test field)



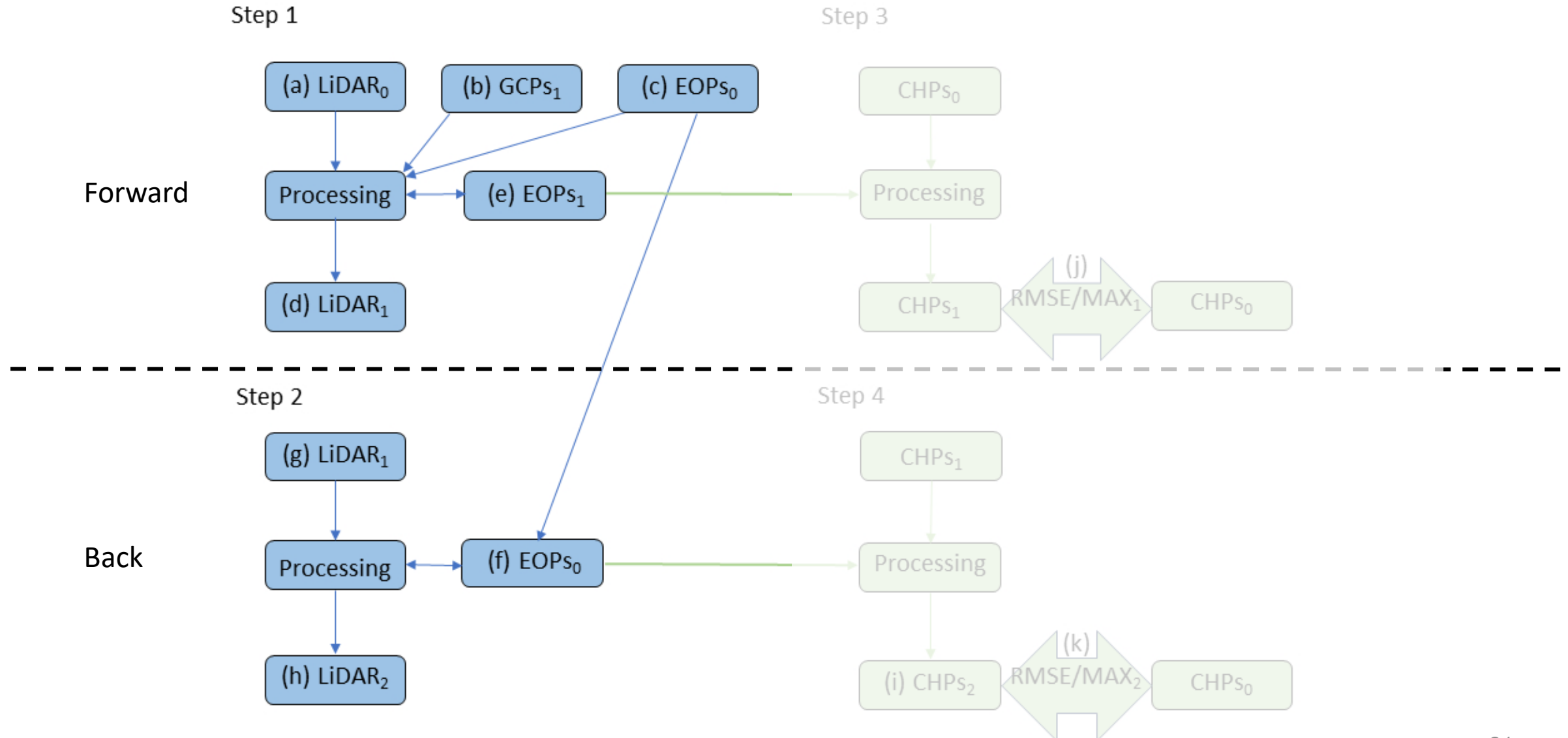
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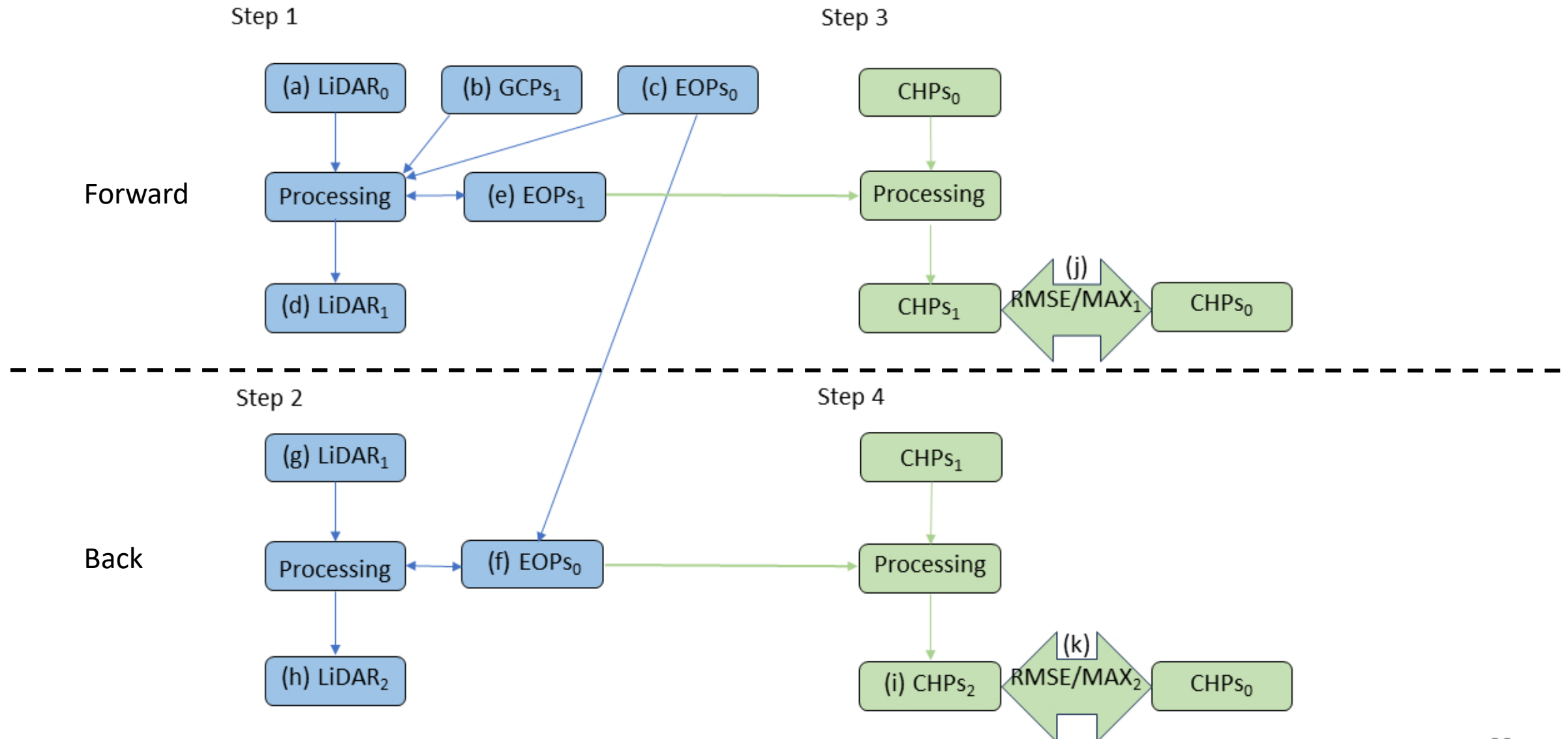
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*Results:*

| Data           | Processing | RMSE  |       |       |        |         | MAX VALUES |       |       |        |         |
|----------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|------------|-------|-------|--------|---------|
|                |            | X [m] | Y [m] | Z [m] | XY [m] | XYZ [m] | X [m]      | Y [m] | Z [m] | XY [m] | XYZ [m] |
| Synthetic      | Before     | 0,267 | 0,263 | 0,359 | 0,377  | 0,522   | 0,648      | 0,637 | 1,083 | 1,017  | 1,636   |
|                | After      | 0,007 | 0,010 | 0,022 | 0,012  | 0,026   | 0,057      | 0,069 | 0,174 | 0,111  | 0,223   |
| Semi-synthetic | Before     | 0,304 | 0,314 | 0,343 | 0,438  | 0,560   | 0,454      | 0,536 | 0,515 | 0,692  | 0,910   |
|                | After      | 0,014 | 0,035 | 0,026 | 0,038  | 0,046   | 0,053      | 0,076 | 0,070 | 0,162  | 0,196   |
| Real           | Before     | 0,252 | 0,241 | 0,322 | 0,355  | 0,480   | 0,543      | 0,482 | 0,608 | 0,609  | 0,934   |
|                | After      | 0,002 | 0,004 | 0,003 | 0,004  | 0,005   | 0,004      | 0,01  | 0,009 | 0,011  | 0,014   |

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*TerraMatch comparison*



Loosdorf: density 25cm

| PROCESSING METHOD    | SQUARES OF MEAN DIRRERENCES |           |           |            |             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
|                      | dX<br>[m]                   | dY<br>[m] | dZ<br>[m] | dXY<br>[m] | dXYZ<br>[m] |
| TerraScan/TerraMatch | 0,062                       | 0,038     | 0,028     | 0,073      | 0,078       |
| PyLiGram Phaseone    | 0,077                       | 0,074     | 0,083     | 0,107      | 0,136       |
| PyLiGram Densified   | 0,098                       | 0,103     | 0,075     | 0,143      | 0,161       |

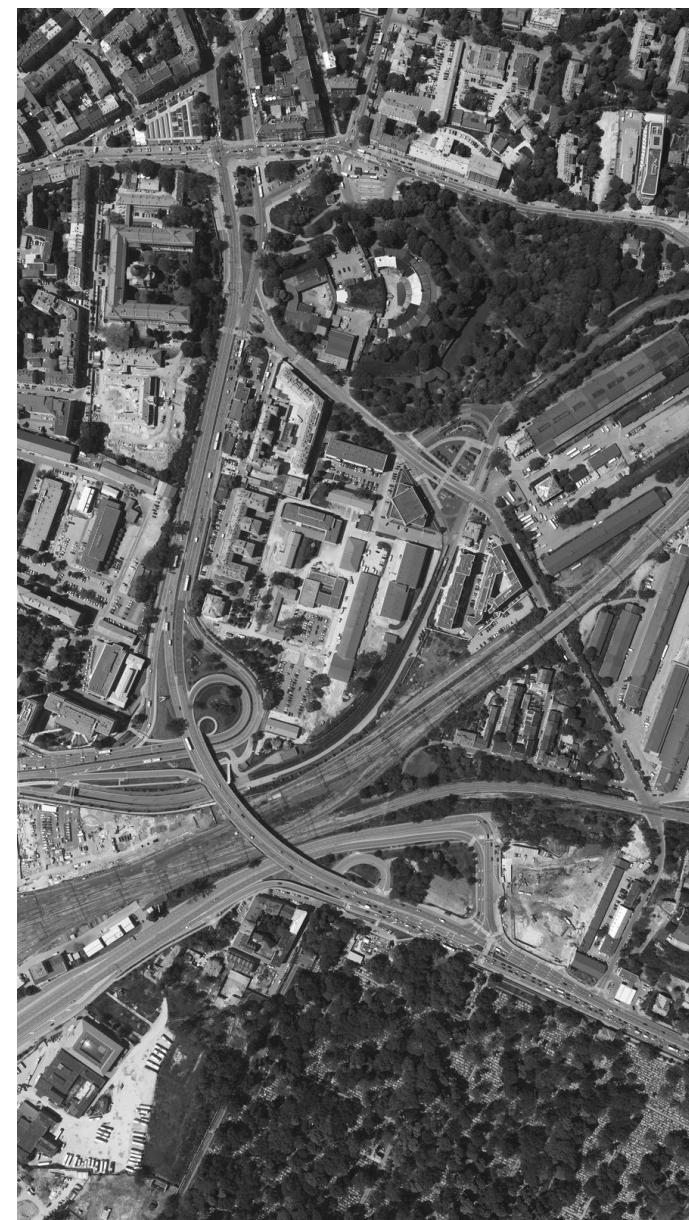
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## 4. Vertical and horizontal accuracy enhancement of LiDAR and RGB/CIR data

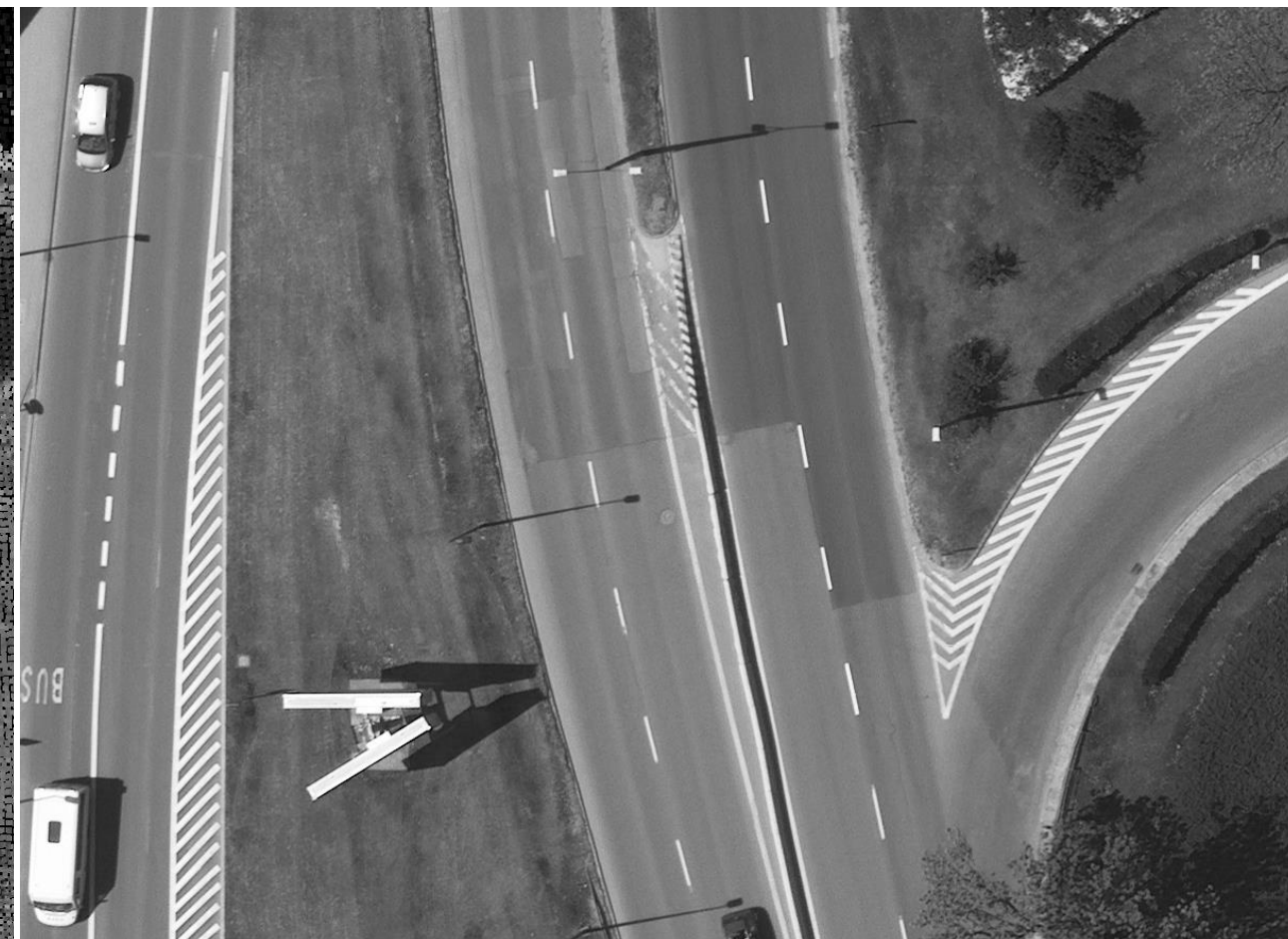
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Kraków testfield  
GSD=15cm ; density 10cm  
Intensity



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GSD=7,4cm; density 3cm  
NIR

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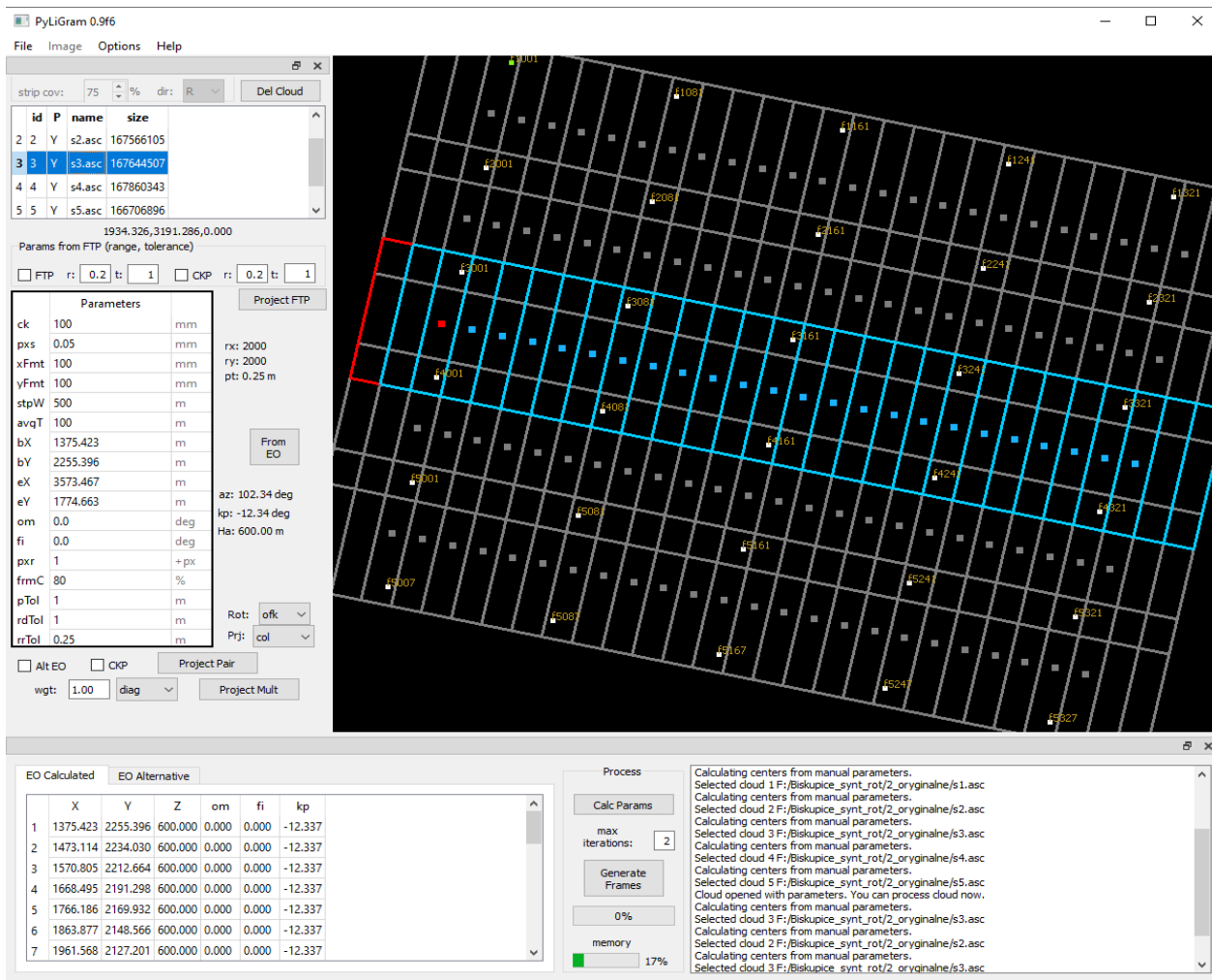
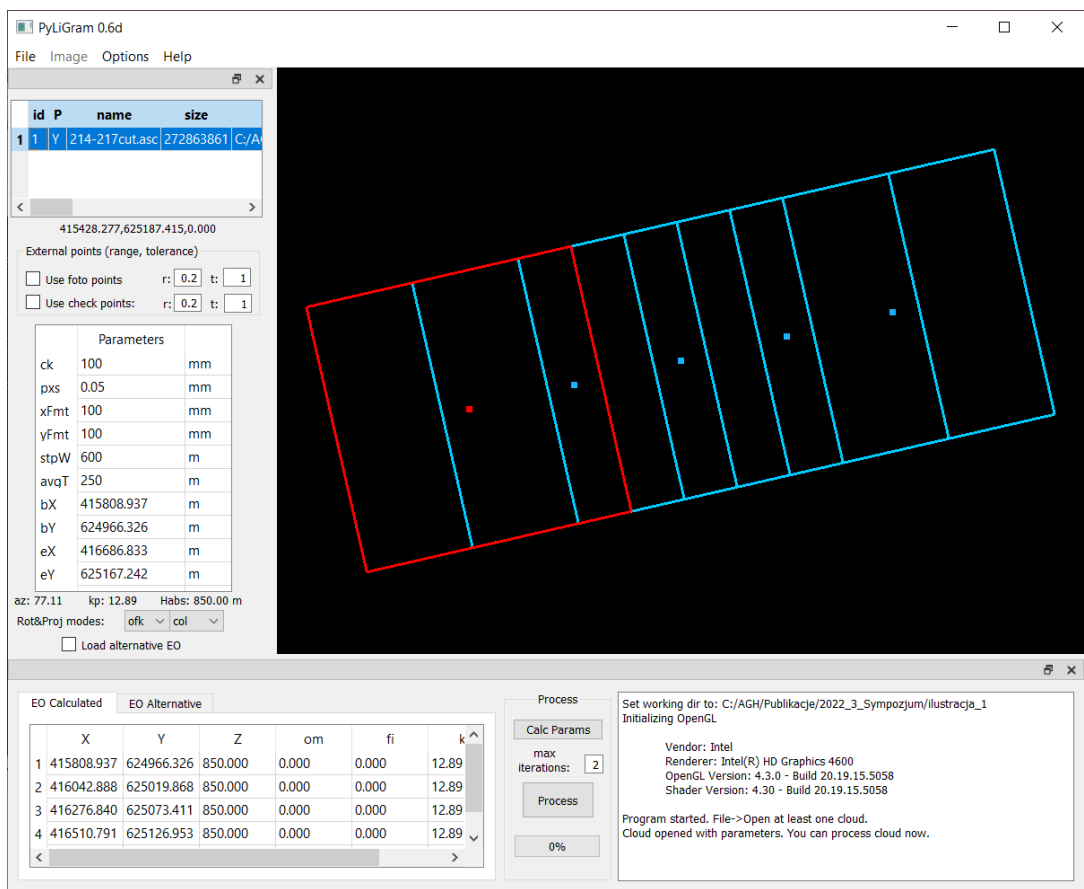


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### 4.1. Co-matching

Pixel radius: 0px

1px

2px

Pixel size:

0,025mm

0,050mm

0,100mm



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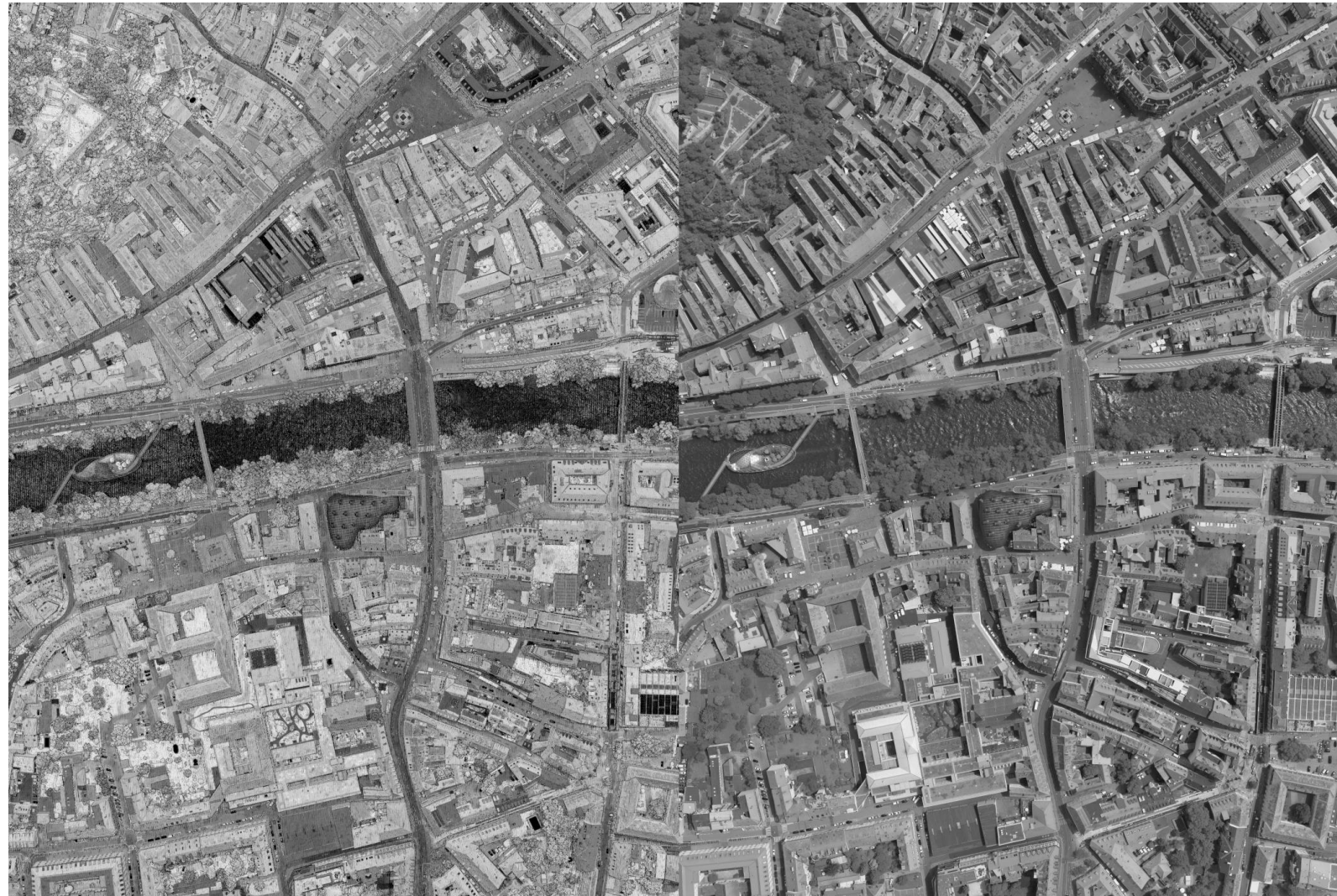
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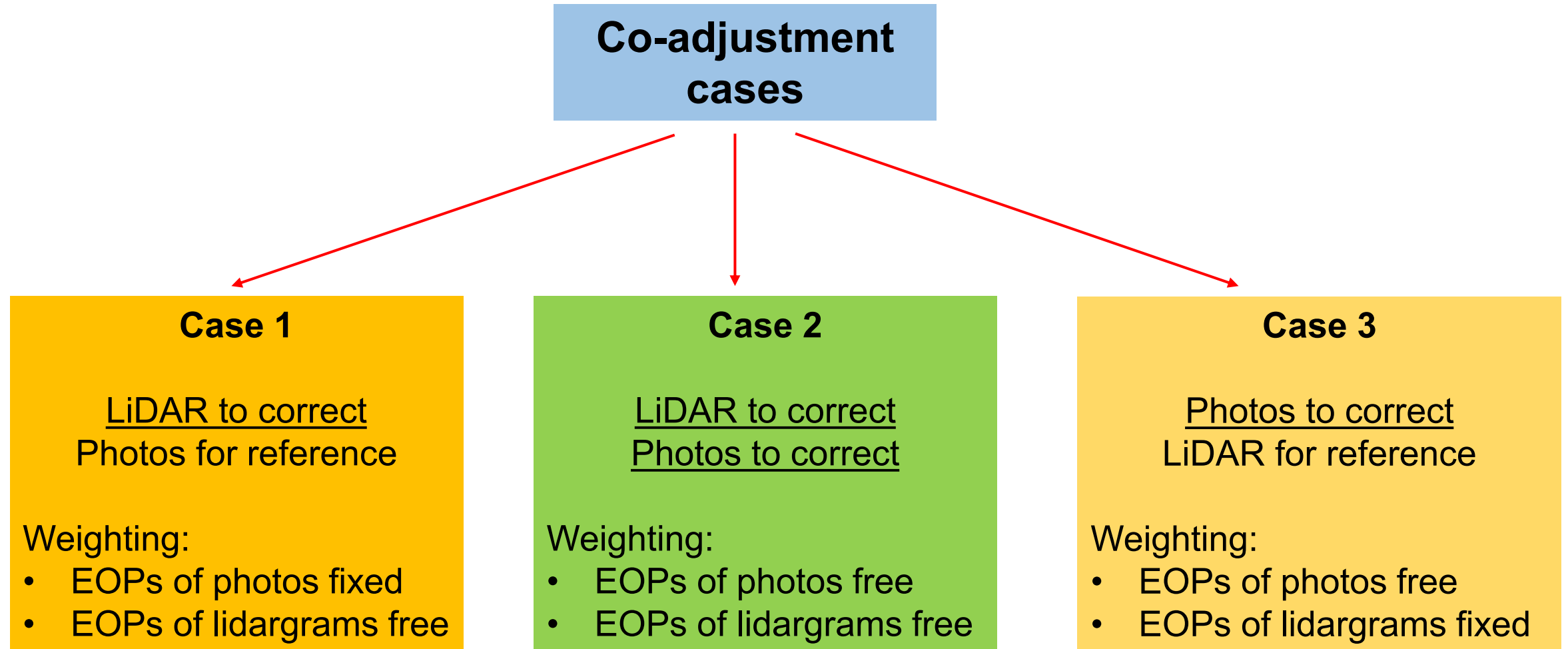
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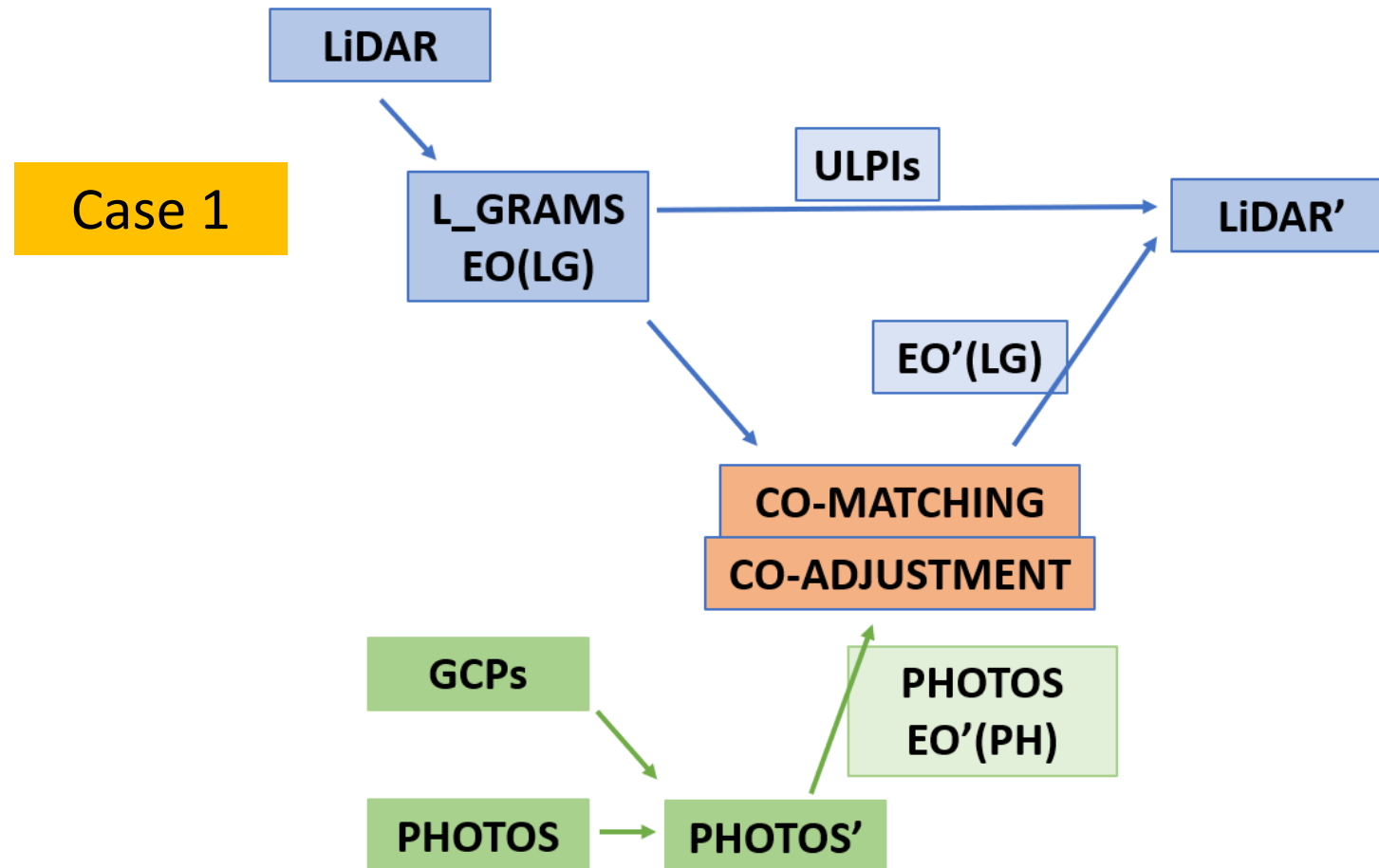
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**Graz (block):**

- GSD 5cm
- Density 13cm
- 3 strips of 10 photos each
- #images: 60

**Loosdorf (corridor):**

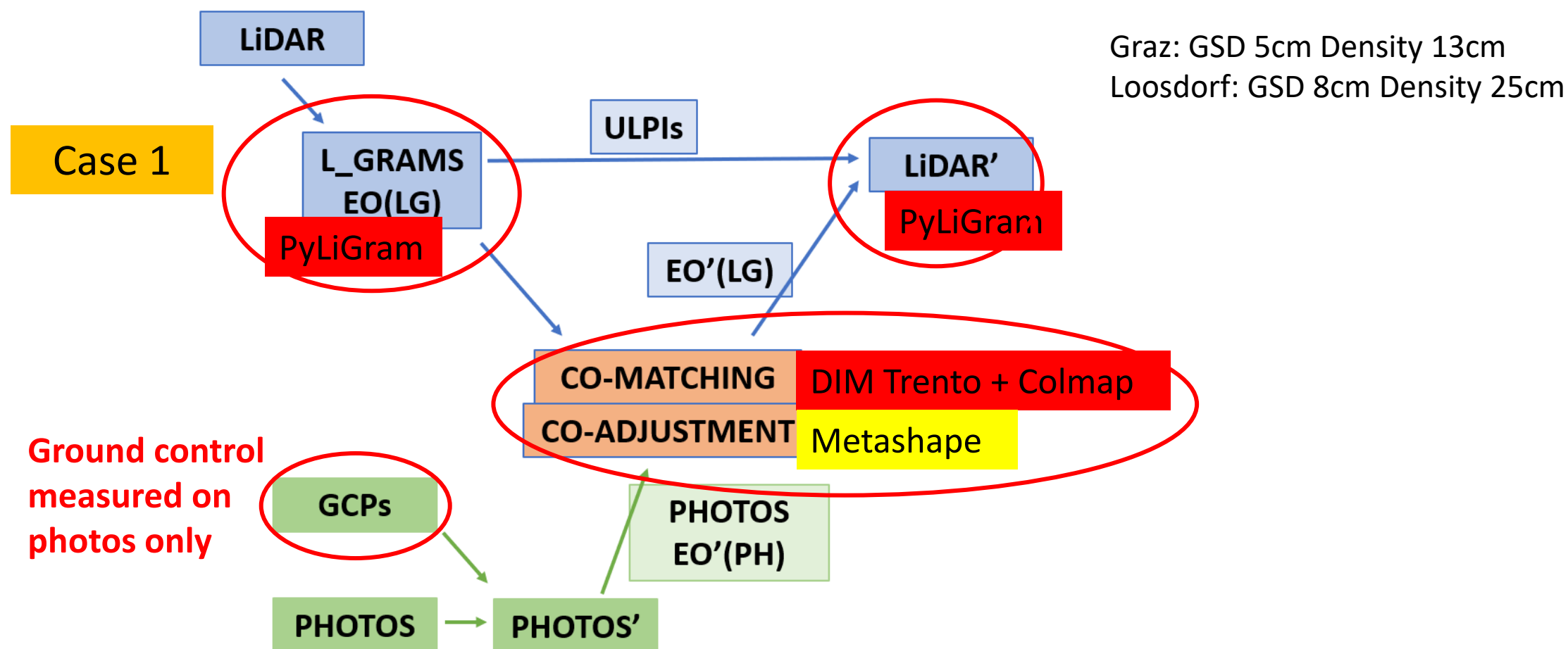
- GSD 8cm
- Density 25cm
- 1 strip of 19 photos
- #images: 37

**GNSS signal jamming**

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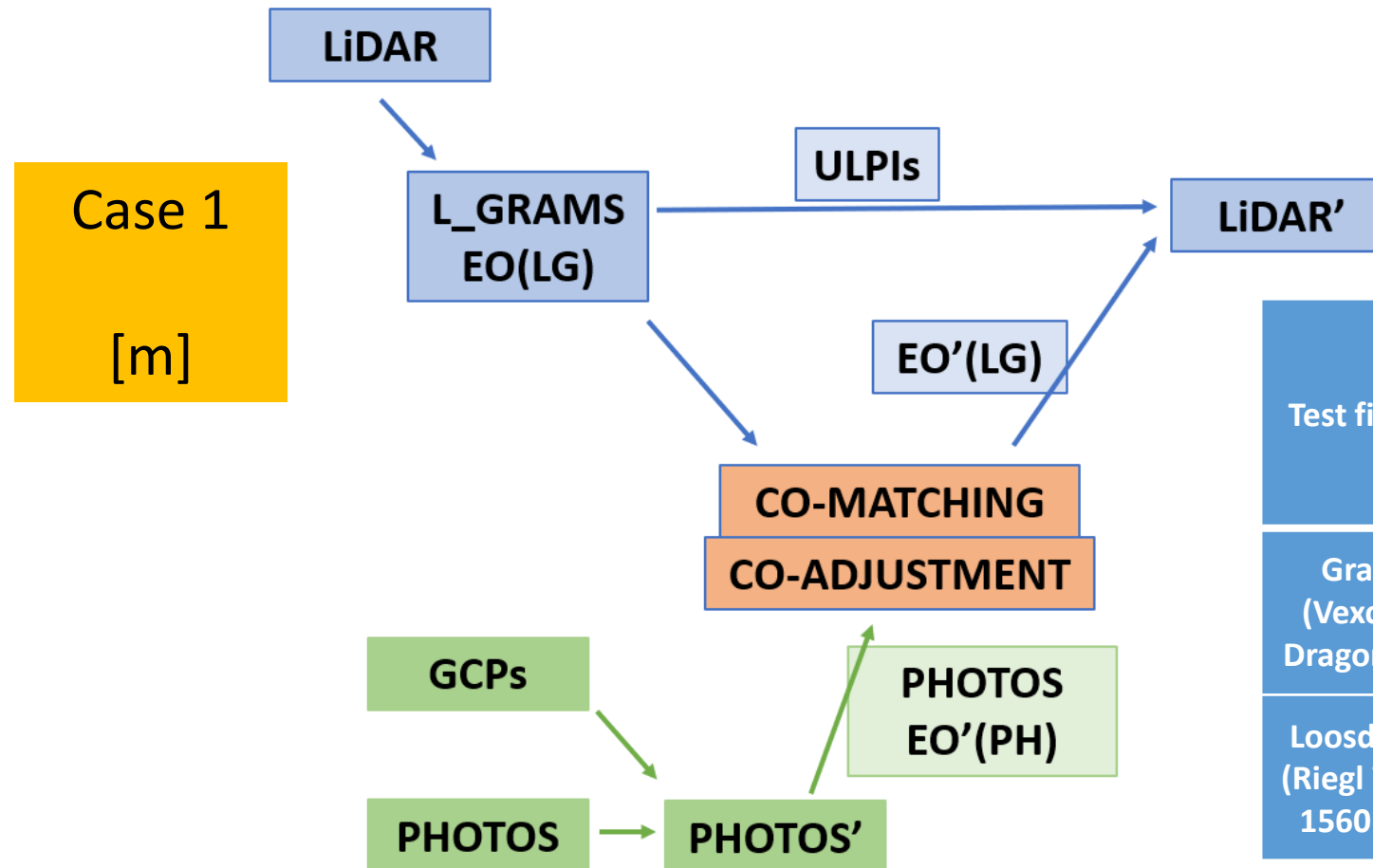
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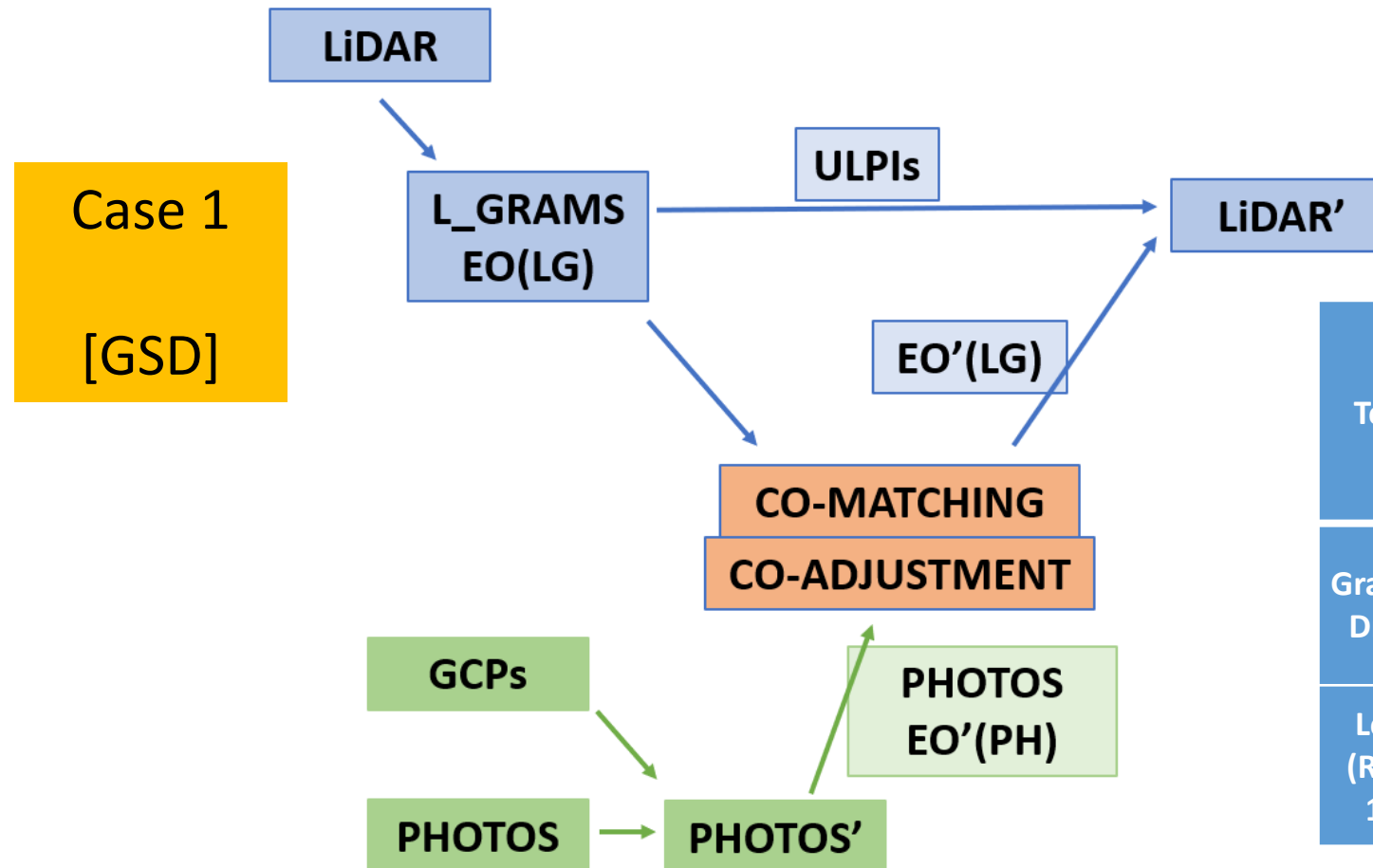
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| Test field                  | Ground control | RMSE X [m] | RMSE Y [m] | RMSE Z [m] | Reprojection Error [px] |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Graz (Vexcel Dragon 4)      | GCPs (7)       | 0.079      | 0.059      | 0.126      | 0.459                   |
|                             | ChPs (13)      | 0.031      | 0.040      | 0.113      | 0.335                   |
| Loosdorf (Riegl VQ-1560 II) | GCPs (4)       | 0.044      | 0.138      | 0.074      | 0.131                   |
|                             | ChPs (19)      | 0.044      | 0.090      | 0.070      | 0.229                   |

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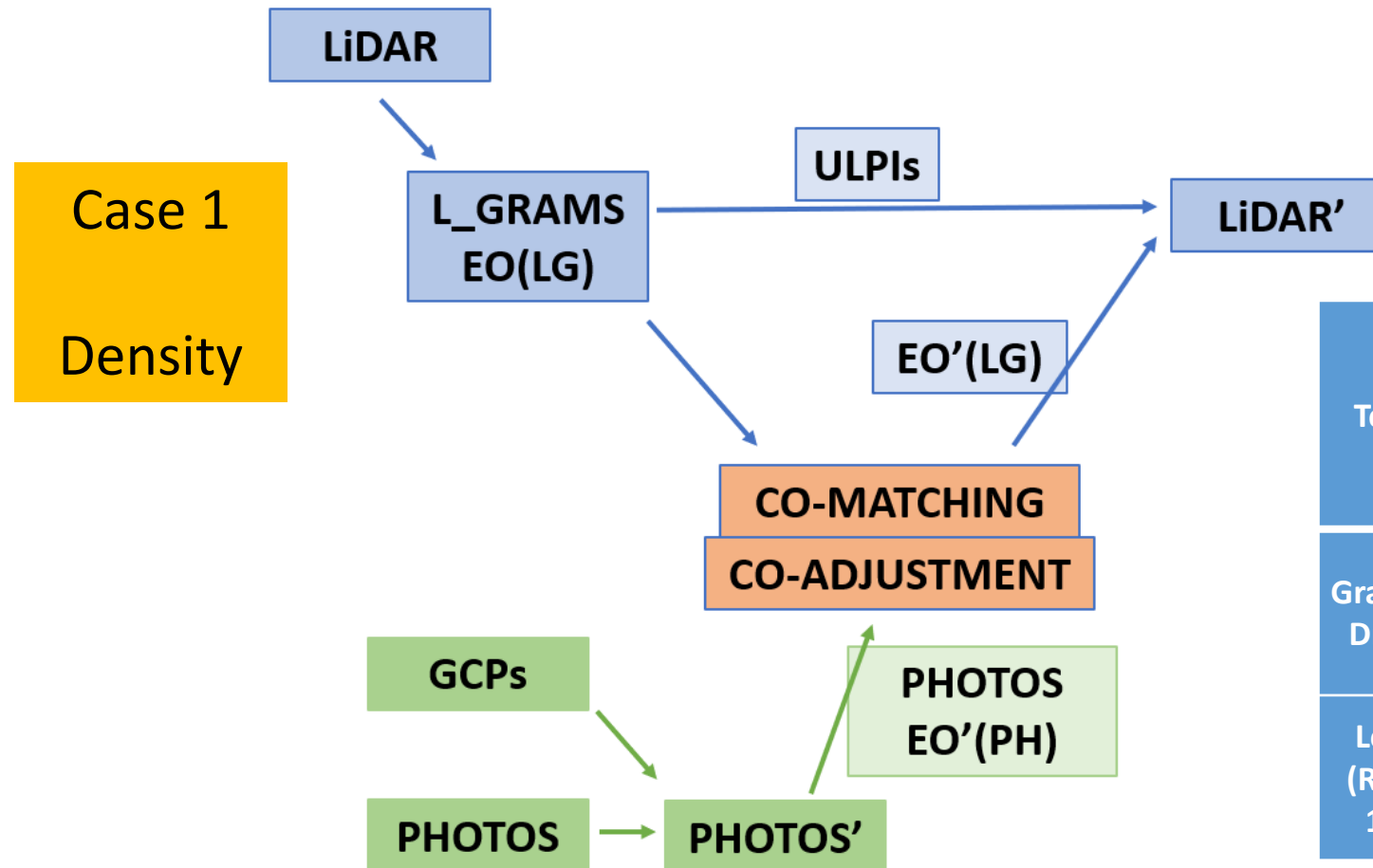
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|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Graz (Vexcel Dragon 4)      | GCPs (7)       | 1,580        | 1,180        | 2,520        |
|                             | ChPs (13)      | 0,620        | 0,800        | 2,260        |
| Loosdorf (Riegl VQ-1560 II) | GCPs (4)       | 0,550        | 1,725        | 0,925        |
|                             | ChPs (19)      | 0,550        | 1,125        | 0,875        |

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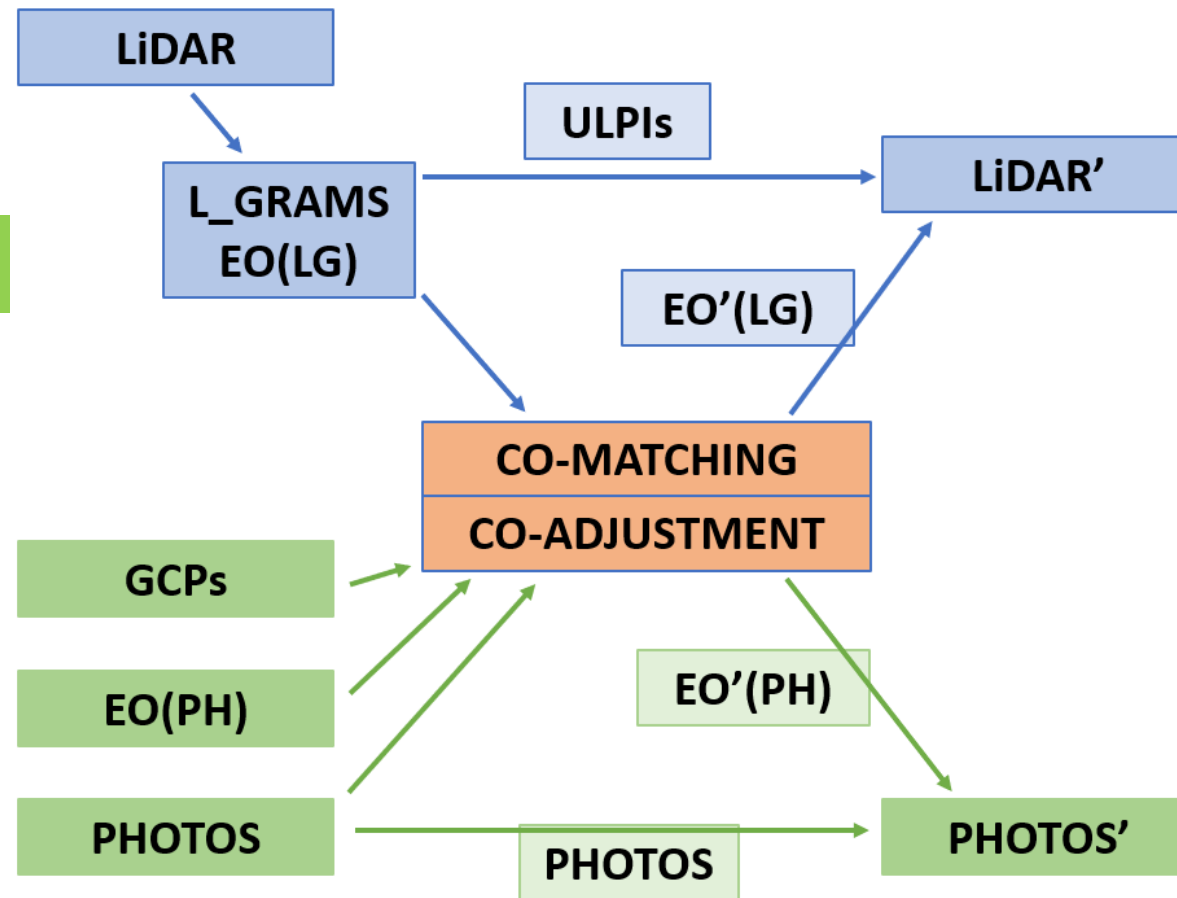
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|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Graz (Vexcel Dragon 4)      | GCPs (7)       | 0,608            | 0,454            | 0,969            |
|                             | ChPs (13)      | 0,238            | 0,308            | 0,869            |
| Loosdorf (Riegl VQ-1560 II) | GCPs (4)       | 0,176            | 0,552            | 0,296            |
|                             | ChPs (19)      | 0,176            | 0,360            | 0,280            |

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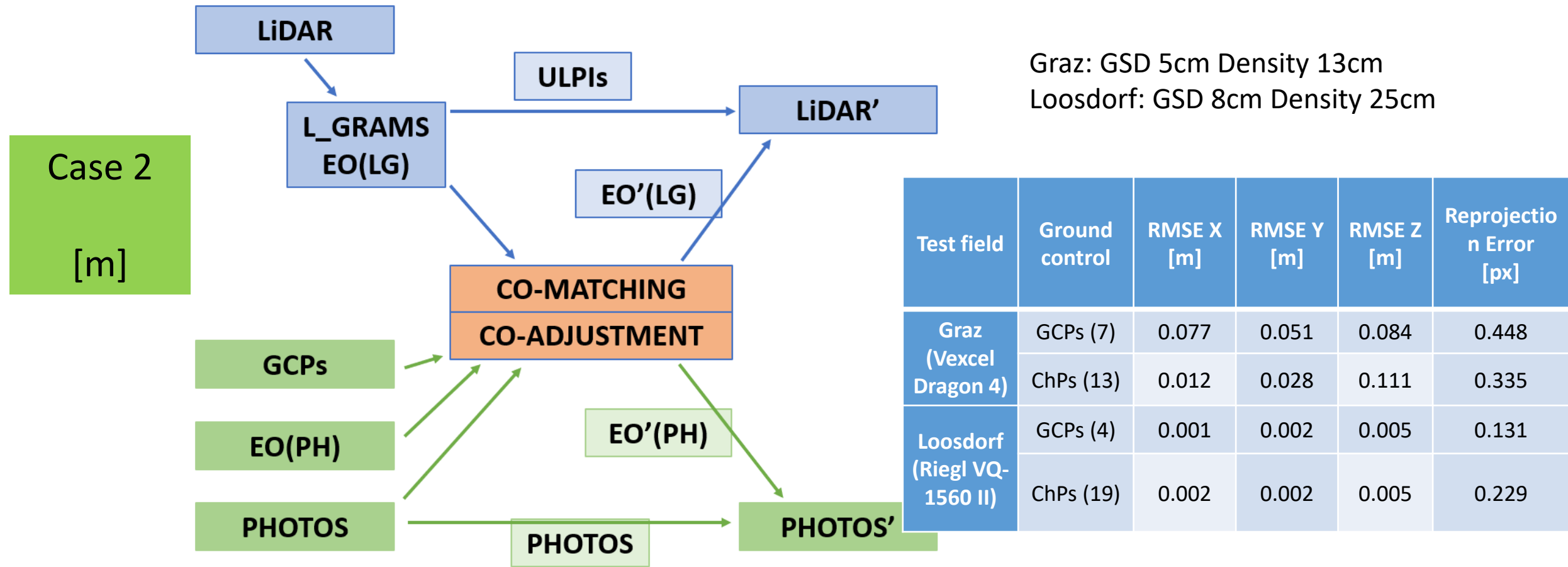


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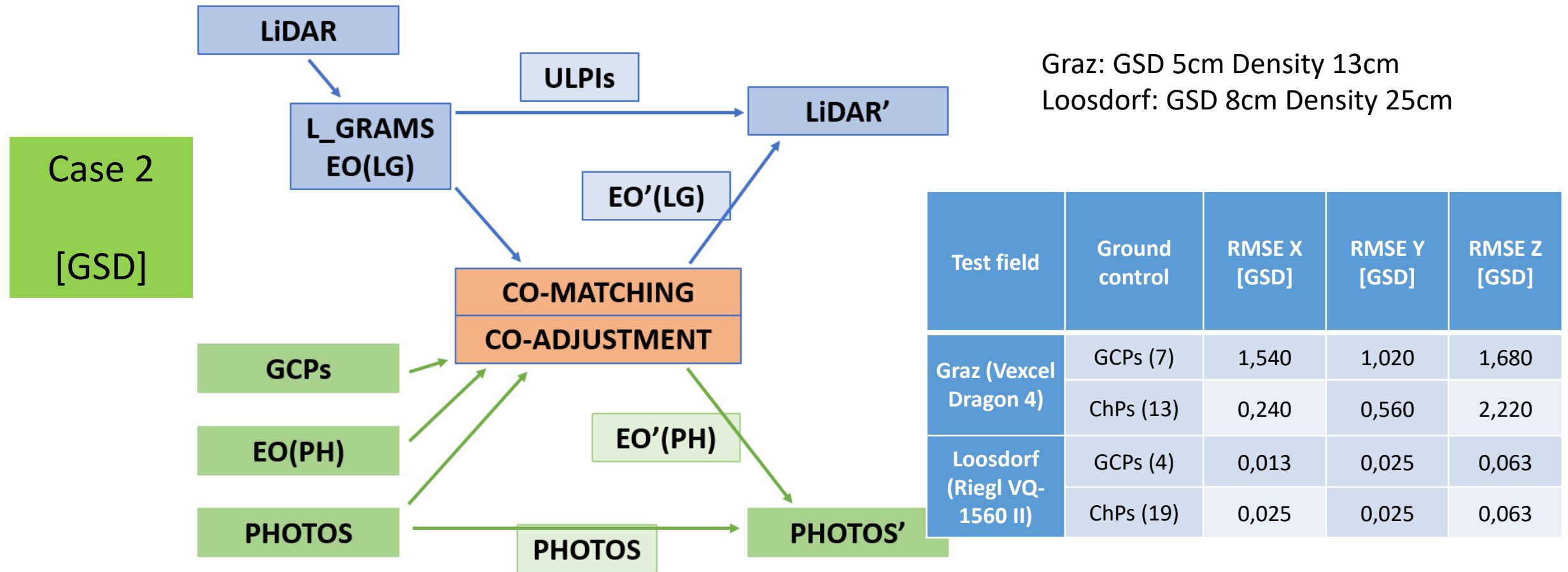
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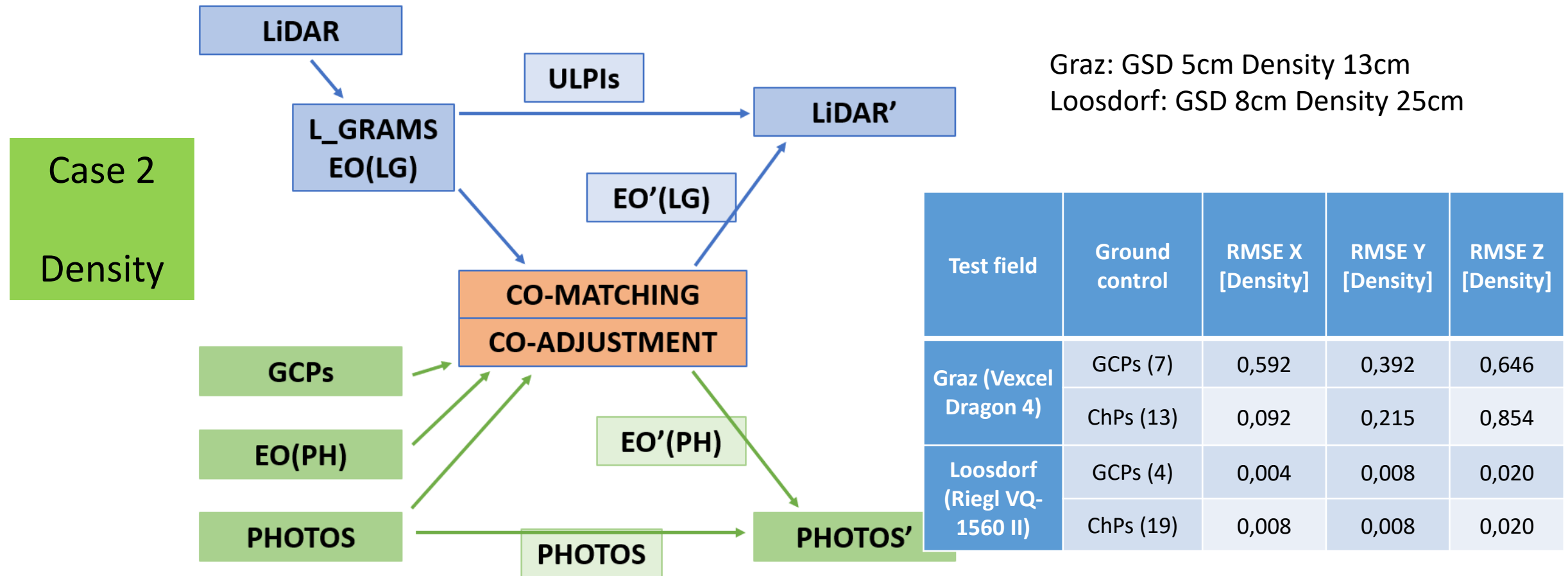
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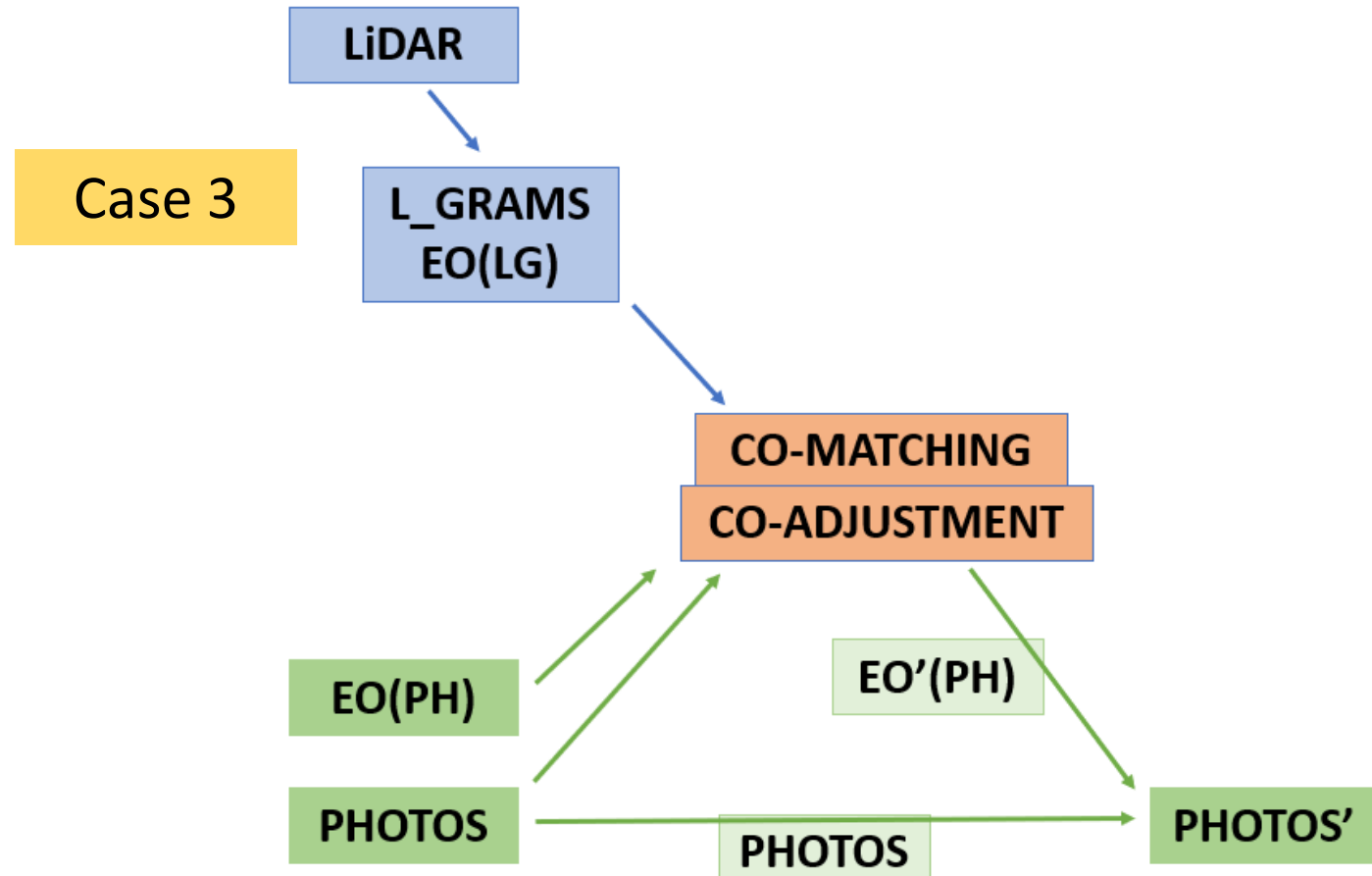
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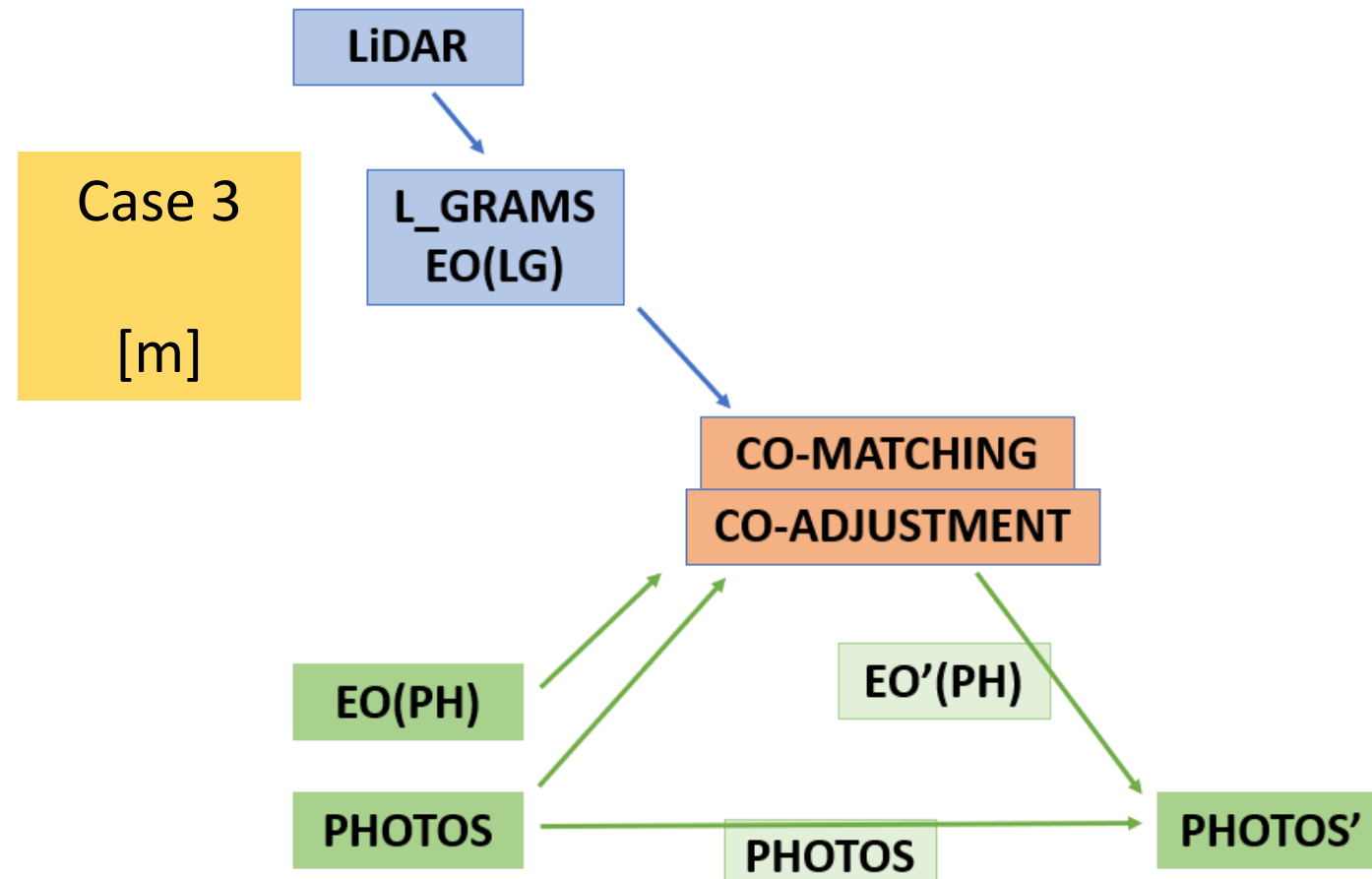


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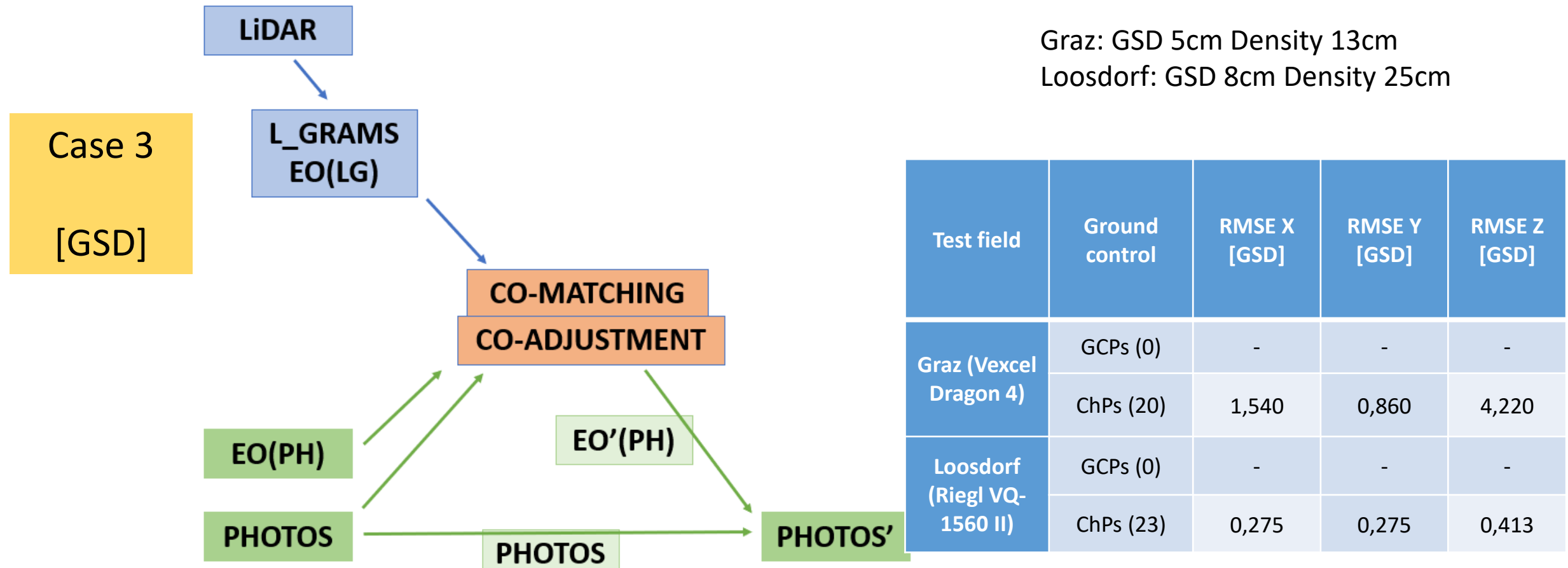
Graz: GSD 5cm Density 13cm  
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| Test field                  | Ground control | RMSE X [m] | RMSE Y [m] | RMSE Z [m] | Reprojection Error [px] |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Graz (Vexcel Dragon 4)      | GCPs (0)       | -          | -          | -          | -                       |
|                             | ChPs (20)      | 0.077      | 0.043      | 0.211      | 0.375                   |
| Loosdorf (Riegl VQ-1560 II) | GCPs (0)       | -          | -          | -          | -                       |
|                             | ChPs (23)      | 0.022      | 0.022      | 0.033      | 0.219                   |

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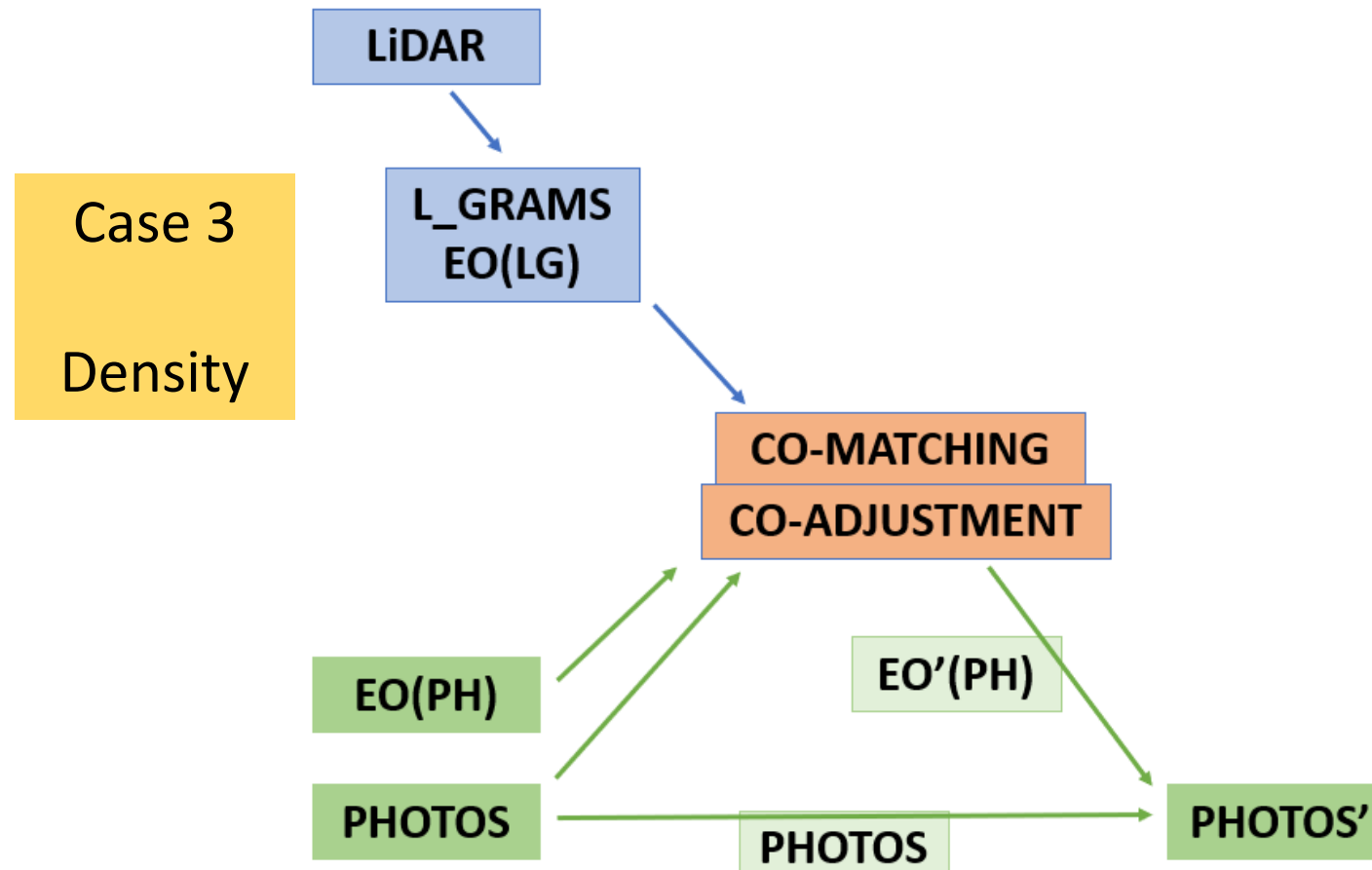
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|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Graz (Vexcel Dragon 4)      | GCPs (0)       | -                | -                | -                |
|                             | ChPs (20)      | 0,592            | 0,331            | 1,623            |
| Loosdorf (Riegl VQ-1560 II) | GCPs (0)       | -                | -                | -                |
|                             | ChPs (23)      | 0,088            | 0,088            | 0,132            |

## 5. Conclusions

- Quality of the synthetic images should be **improved** (adaptive interpolation, super resolution, inpainting,...)
- RMSEs of GCPs are bigger than GSD but smaller than mean density.
- Precise co-matching is possible by **deep image matching** methods
- The level of enhancement depends on **homogeneity** of the LiDAR data...
- ...and ratio GSD/density
- ...

## 5. Conclusions

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- Proved usefulness of old pixel-point abstractive idea (**unique lidar point identifiers**)
- Co-adjustment is possible in **several variants** according to:
  - ☐ Weighting/fixing of the knowns/estimated values
  - ☐ Number and distribution of GCPs/ChPs
- Presented process leads to **homogeneous accuracy** of the data
- Lidargammetry in **future research**: densifying point cloud, system calibration, oblique images co-matching

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*Thank you!*

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