

# Terrestrial radar and laser scanning for deformation monitoring: first steps towards assisted radar scanning

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## 3D-Acquisition of an area of interest at spatial and temporal continuity

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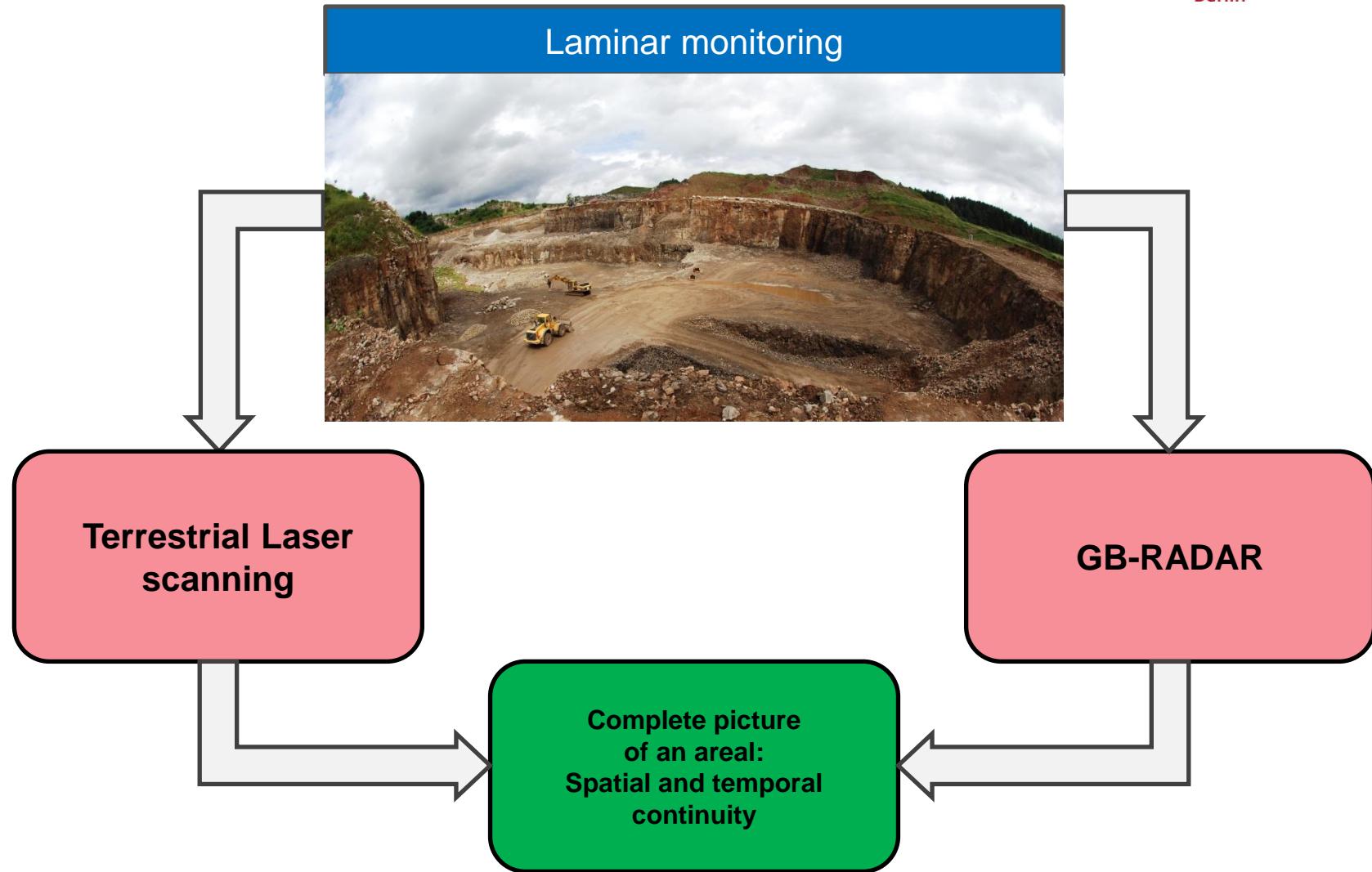
- Terrestrial Laser Scanning (TLS)
- Terrestrial or ground based RADAR systems (GB-RADAR)



# TLS vs. GB-RADAR

	Advantage	Problems
TLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absolute approach</li> <li>• Spatially laminar quasi-continuity</li> <li>• High range</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sequential data acquisition</li> <li>• Poor / unknown stochastic models</li> <li>• Too simplified post processing software</li> </ul>
GB-RADAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simultaneous and high frequent data acquisition</li> <li>• High range and precision for geometrical changes (depth)</li> <li>• Laminar continuity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ambiguous for larger deformations</li> <li>• Complex post processing</li> <li>• Linked to one standpoint</li> <li>• Low spatial resolution</li> </ul>

# Aim of this investigation



# In this talk

## Comparative investigations

- ▶ Introduction of the test case
- ▶ Introduction of the applied instrumentation
- ▶ Transformation into a common coordinate system of results for comparative reasons

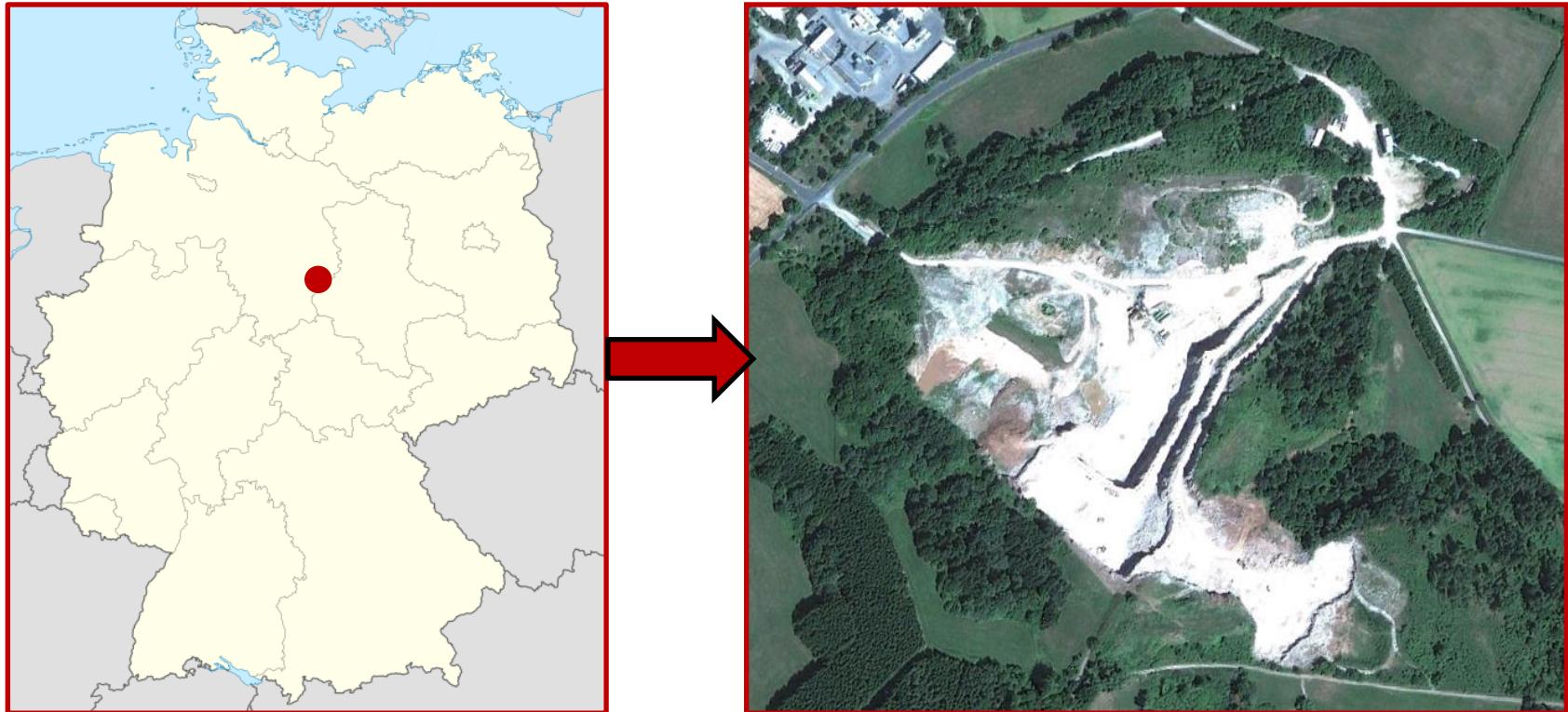
## Data fusion

- ▶ Presentation of aGB-RADAR  
→ Combined usage of TLS and GB-RADAR data



# Description of the test case

## Quarry in secondary mountains „Harz“

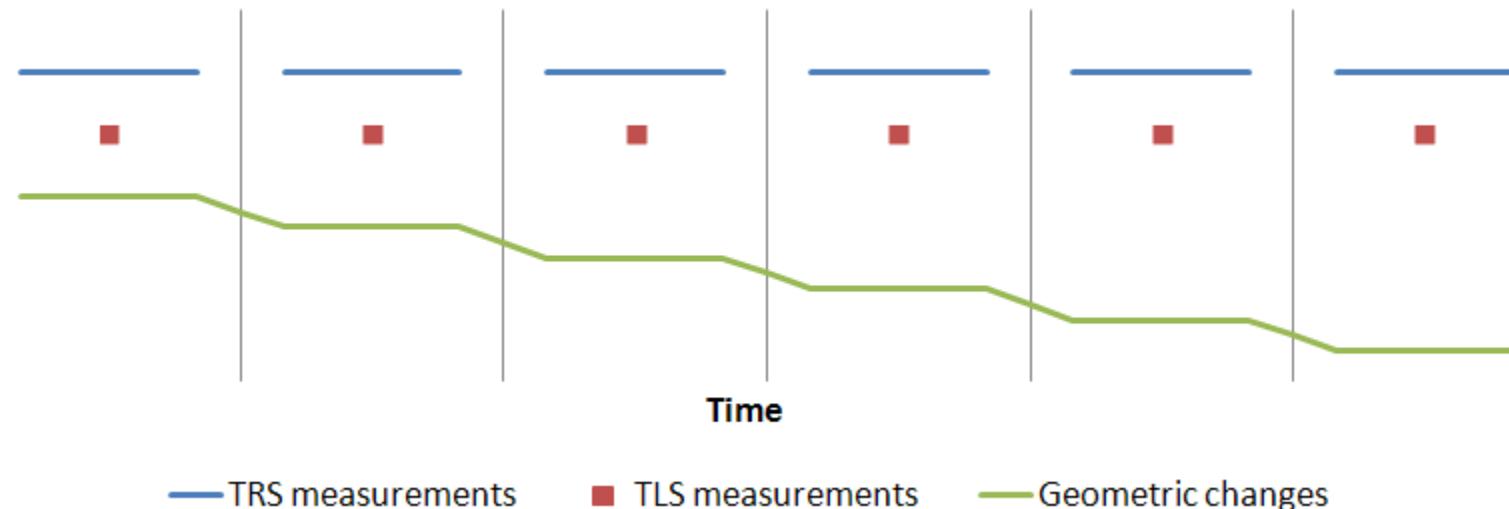


# Description of the test case

## Quarry in secondary mountains „Harz“

- ▶ Acquisition of a reference epoch
- ▶ Five successive epochs including „controlled changes“
- ▶ Deformation monitoring with TLS and GB-RADAR

Is the GB-RADAR system capable to identify the occurring deformations?



# Description of the instruments

## Radar scanner GPRI-2 (TU Clausthal)

- ▶ Reach up to 6 km
- ▶ Scan rate: 10° / s
- ▶ Field of view: 360° horizontal  
60° vertical
- ▶ Resolution: 0.75 m in line of sight  
8 mrad in rotational direction
- ▶ Accuracy: under 1 mm

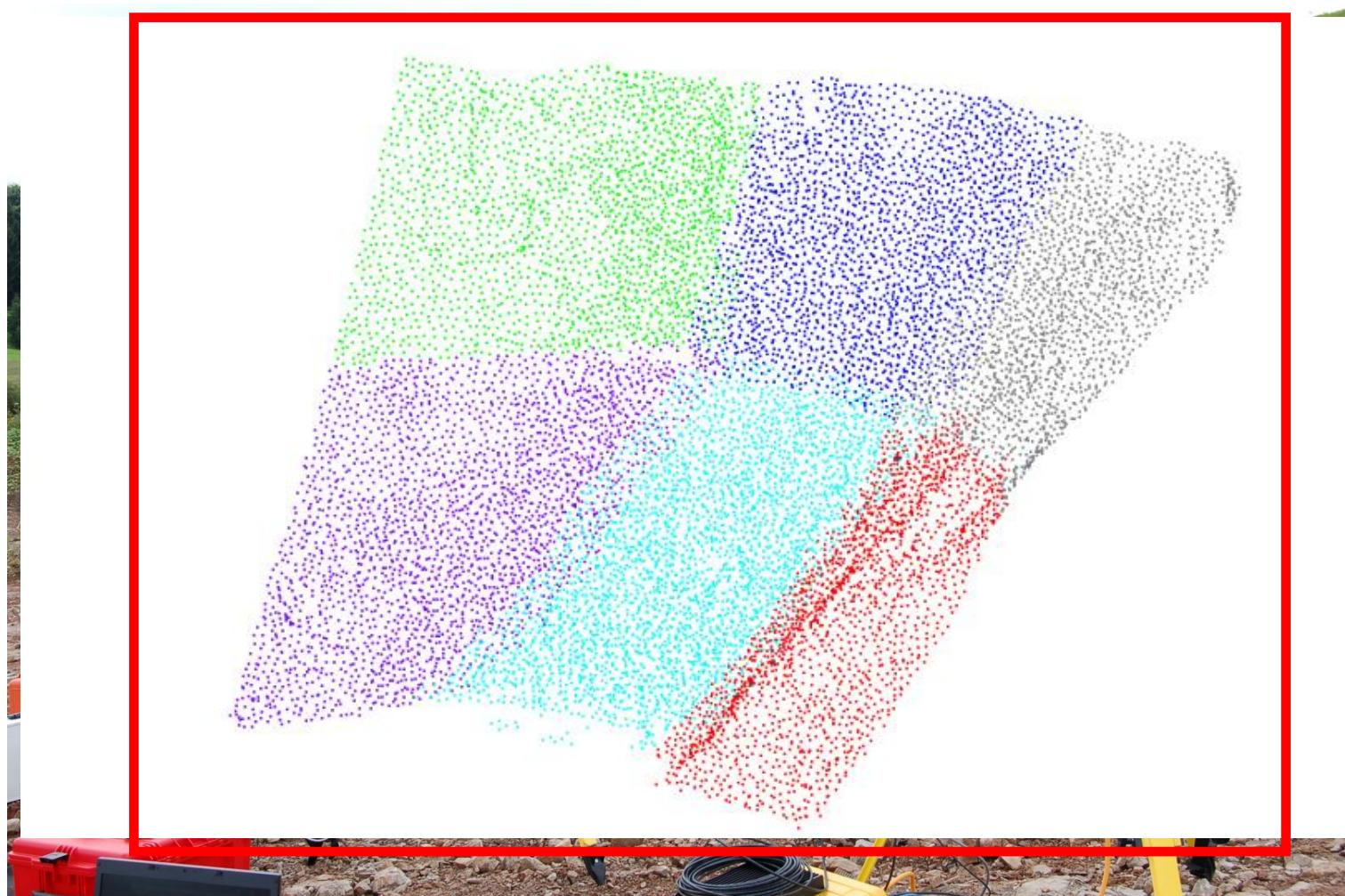
## Leica Scanstation C10 (TU Berlin)

- ▶ Reach up to 300 m
- ▶ Scan rate: up to 50.000 pts / s
- ▶ Field of view: 360° horizontal  
270° vertical
- ▶ Accuracy: 6 mm (within 50 m)

# Data acquisition



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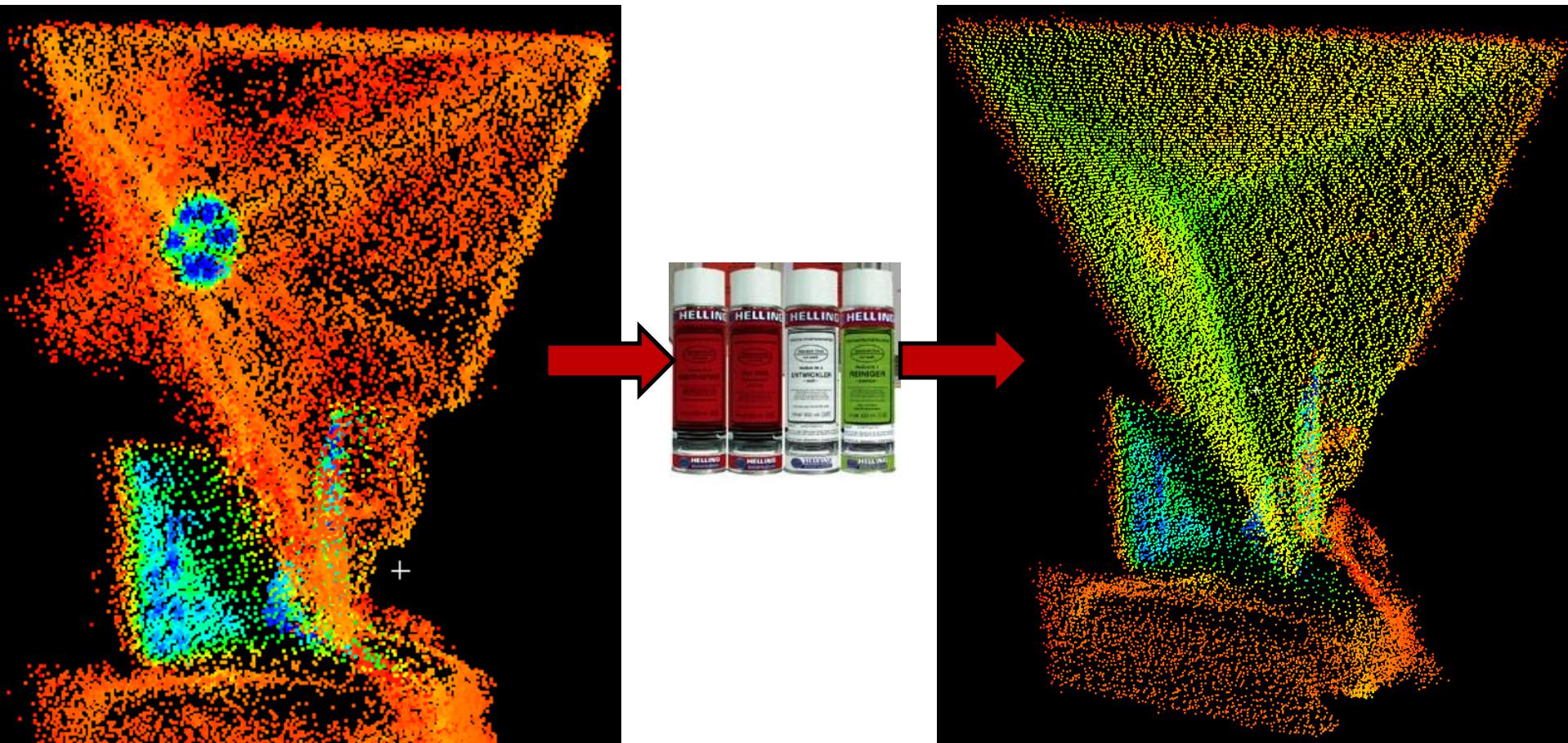
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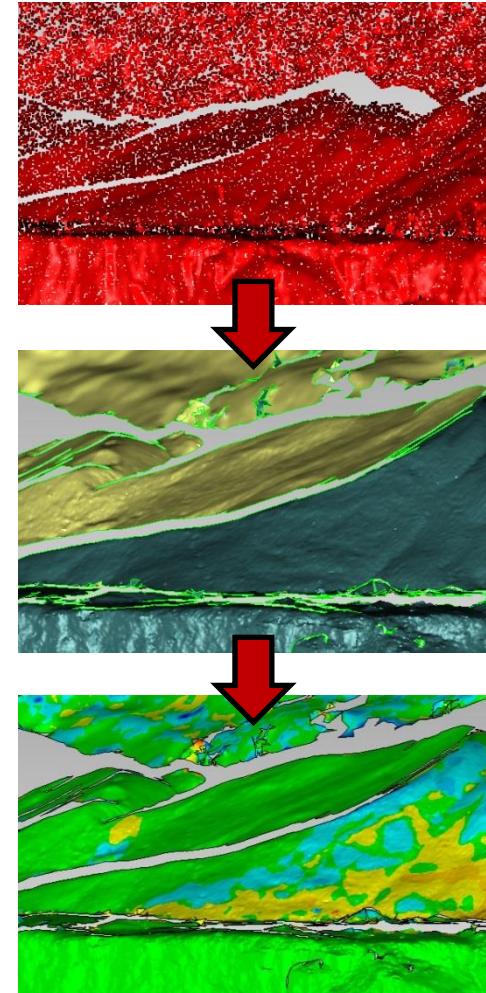
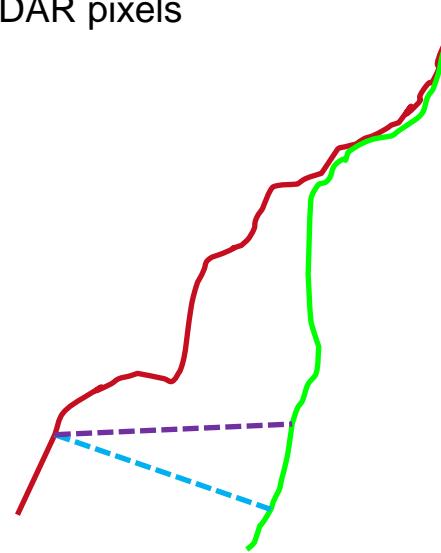
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## Conversion of TLS point cloud

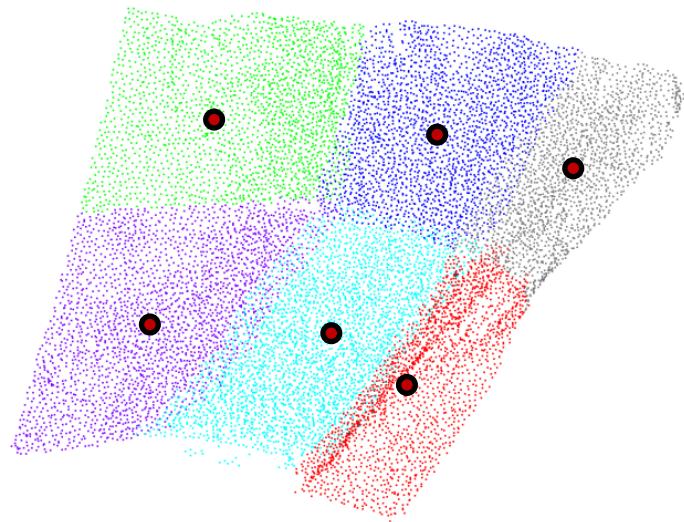
- ▶ Triangulation of reference epoch  
→ Triangular mesh
- ▶ TLS-based deformation monitoring  
→ Monitoring in LOS
- ▶ Assignment of TLS points to RADAR pixels



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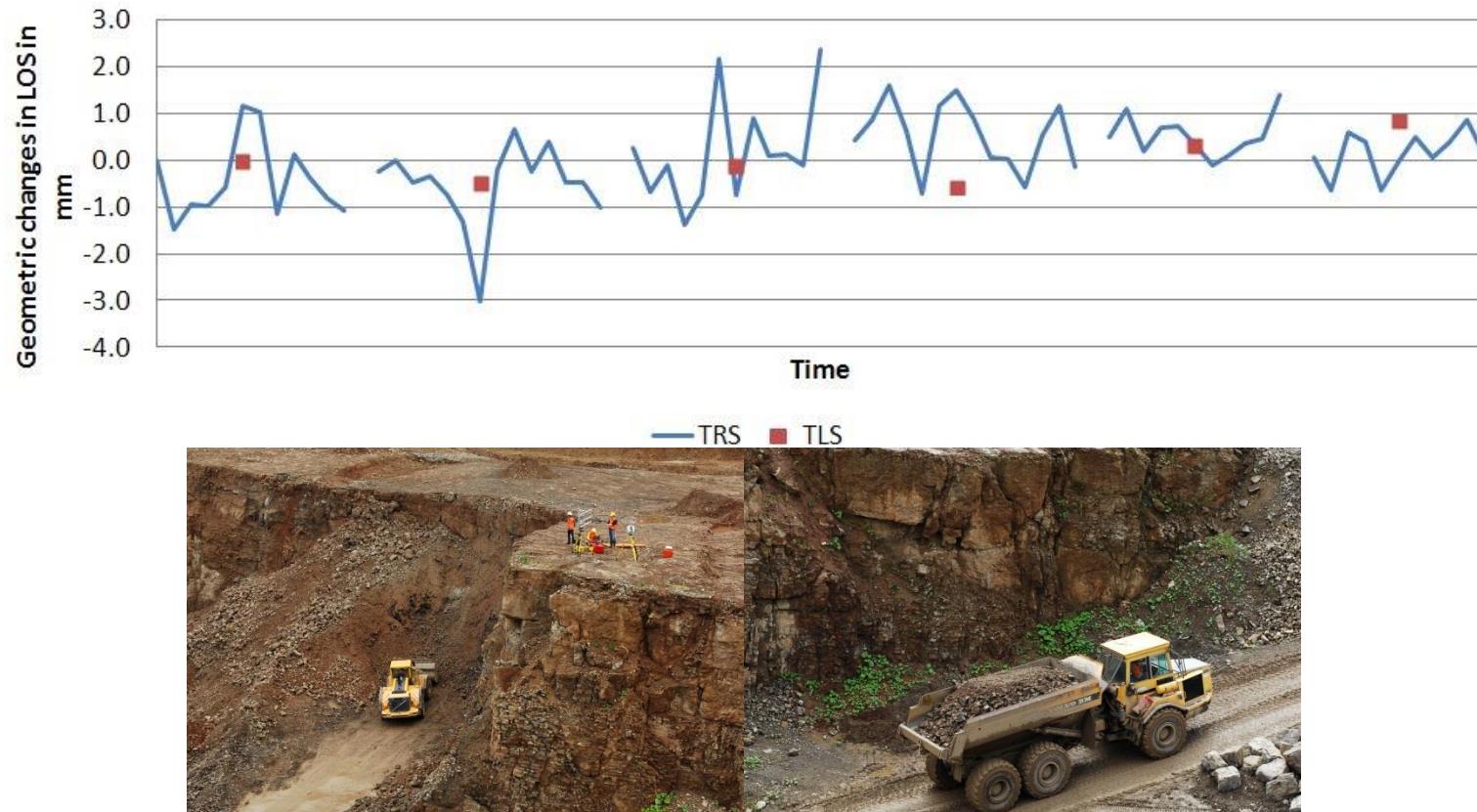
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- ▶ Assignment of TLS points to RADAR pixels
- ▶ Averaging of all TLS deformation vectors „within“ a RADAR pixel



Comparison between TRS and TLS is realisable

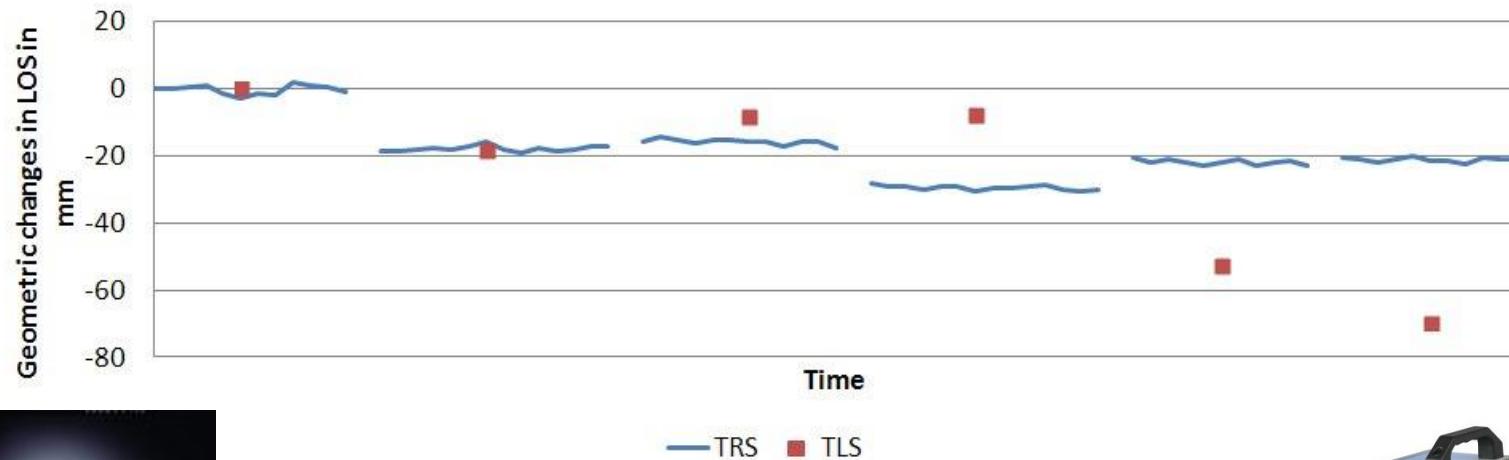
# Comparison between TLS and TRS

Area of interest without artificial geometric changes



# Comparison between TLS and TRS

## Area of interest with artificial geometric changes



Occurance of phase unwrapping  
(amiguity effects)



# Fusion of TLS and TRS

## Assisted RADAR – aGB-RADAR

- ▶ Conversion of geometric changes based on TLS into phases:

$$\phi_L = 2 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot \Delta r$$

- ▶ Computation of  $\Delta\phi_L$  that lies between  $+\pi$  and  $-\pi$ :

$$\Delta\phi_L = \phi_L \bmod \pi$$

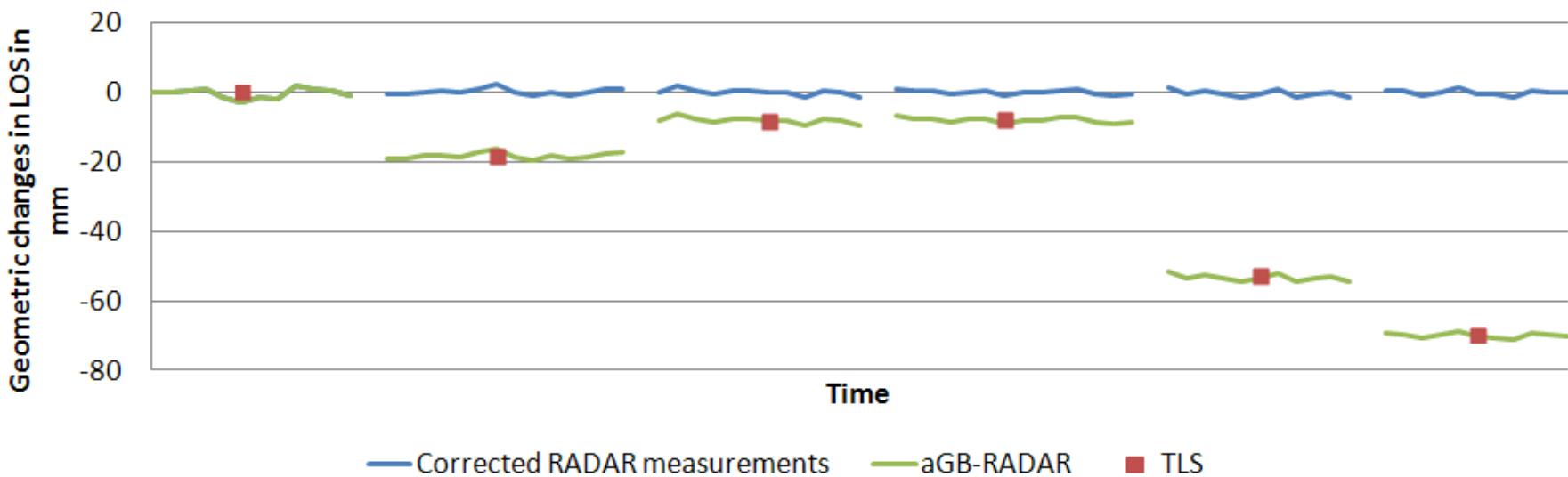
- ▶ Correction of measured phase values of the TRS:

$$\Delta\phi_{\text{new}} = \Delta\phi_R - \Delta\phi_L$$

Solution of ambiguities by usage of TLS data

# Results aGB-RADAR

## Area of interest with artificial geometric changes



# Conclusion: aGB-RADAR

- ▶ Geometric changes within area of interest caused phase-unwrapping  
→ ambiguities
- ▶ TLS data has been successfully used to solve these ambiguities  
→ assisted GB-RADAR (aGB-RADAR)
- ▶ Update of RADAR-pixels ONLY in case of significant TLS-deformation (local update of DEM)  
→ High frequency of RADAR-scanning
- ▶ aGB-RADAR allows to interrupt RADAR campaigns in permanent monitoring processes



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