

Optimizing Point Cloud Data for the 3D Digitalization of the Physical World

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Agenda

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- **Company overview**
- **Point cloud use cases and issues today**
- **InfiPoints solution overview**
- **Demos**
- **Customer case studies**
- **Q&A**

Presenter Background

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Customer Engagement Specialist - Elysium Inc.

- Manage customer engagements to address Data Migration, Multi-CAD Interoperability/Collaboration, Data Quality Management, Data Optimization, and Validation
- Collaborate with technical team members, development, and Elysium offices globally on product enhancement, global marketing, and to support customer engagements



Nate Soulje

Application Support Specialist - Elysium Inc.

- Collaborates with sales and development to support both current and future customers with Elysium solutions
- Focused on industry knowledge in topics such as MBD/MBE, LOTAR, Validation, etc.
- B.S. in Nuclear Engineering
- M.S. in Mechanical Engineering



Elysium Company Intro

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- Over 30 years of CAD expertise
- Strong partnerships with CAD vendors
- 3D Data Expertise:
 - Translation
 - Geometry Healing
 - Quality Management
 - Validation
 - Simplification
 - Reverse Engineering / Point Cloud Rendering
- Off-the-Shelf, OEM, & Migration Services



Elysium Solutions

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- 3D Data Translation
 - Geometry, product structure, PMI/FTA, attributes, features, constrains, etc.
- 3D Data Applications
 - Optimization, validation, quality checking and healing, polygon operation, point cloud handling, reverse engineering

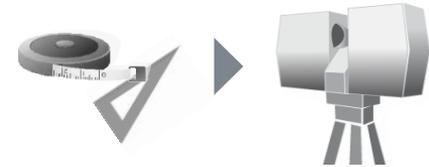


Use Cases of Point Cloud Data

Digital Measurements

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Easily measure dimensions of your equipment and facilities without the haste of facing danger of hand measuring



Measurement at the ceiling



Measurement at large equipment or at heights



Capture As-Built

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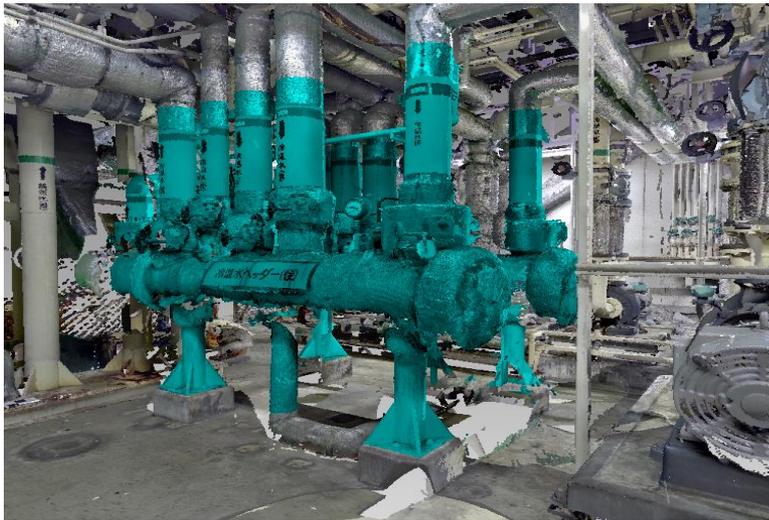
Digitally capture as-built products, systems, facilities, etc.



Layout Planning Removal/Movement Simulation

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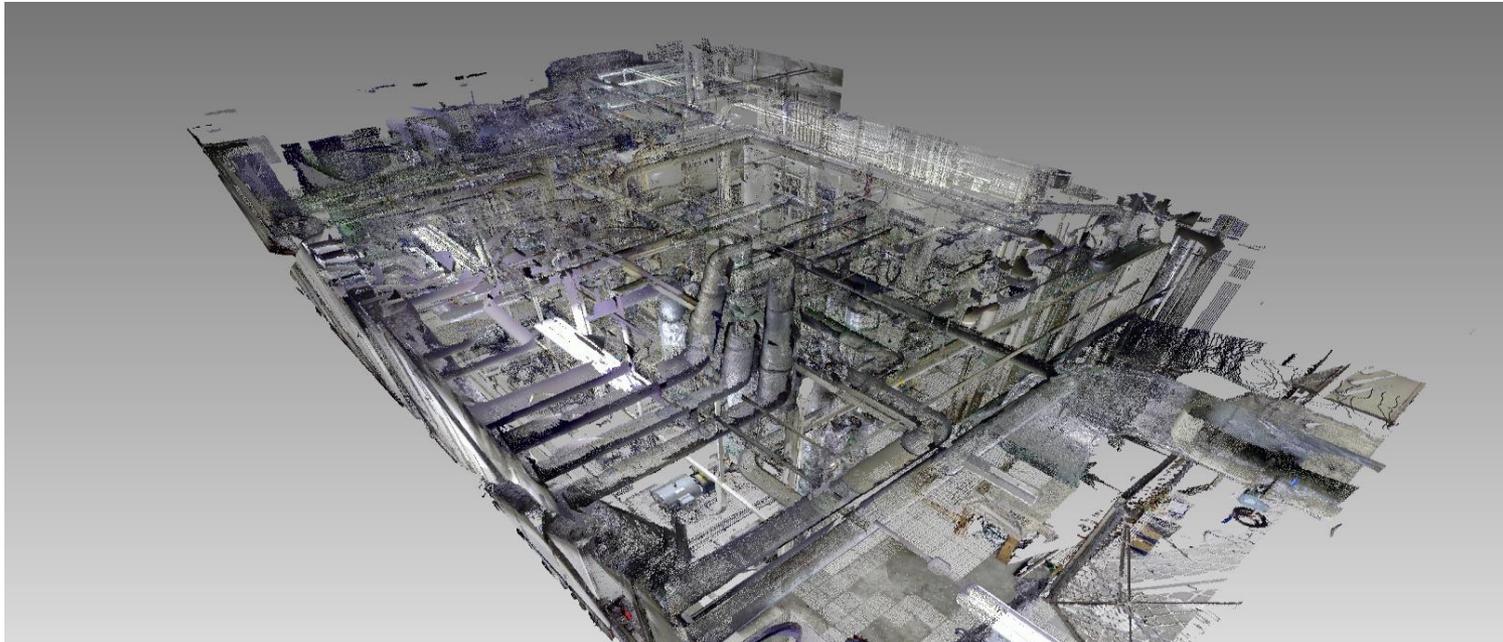
Clip out an equipment to examine before/after of construction



CAD Modeling

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Automatically extract planes/cylinders from point cloud to easily perform CAD modeling



Issues Using Point Cloud Data Today

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- Specific points need to be determined to perform **measurements** which can be inaccurate and take time
- Manually cleaning up **noise** within the data is extremely time consuming
- Point cloud data can be very **large and difficult** to work with
- A lot of **manual work** can be required when modeling features like pipes and equipment
- It can take **multiple software packages** to prepare the data for downstream uses
- **Limited formats** to work with, such as CAD formats
- **Collaboration** can be difficult

The Solution

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InfiPoints

What is InfiPoints?

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- A large scale point cloud handling tool developed by Elysium
- Used in various industries/fields

Shipbuilding



Plant



Manufacturing



Construction



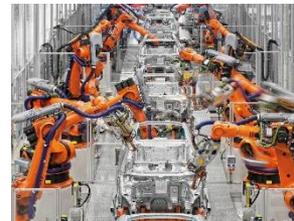
Architecture



Aerospace



Automotive

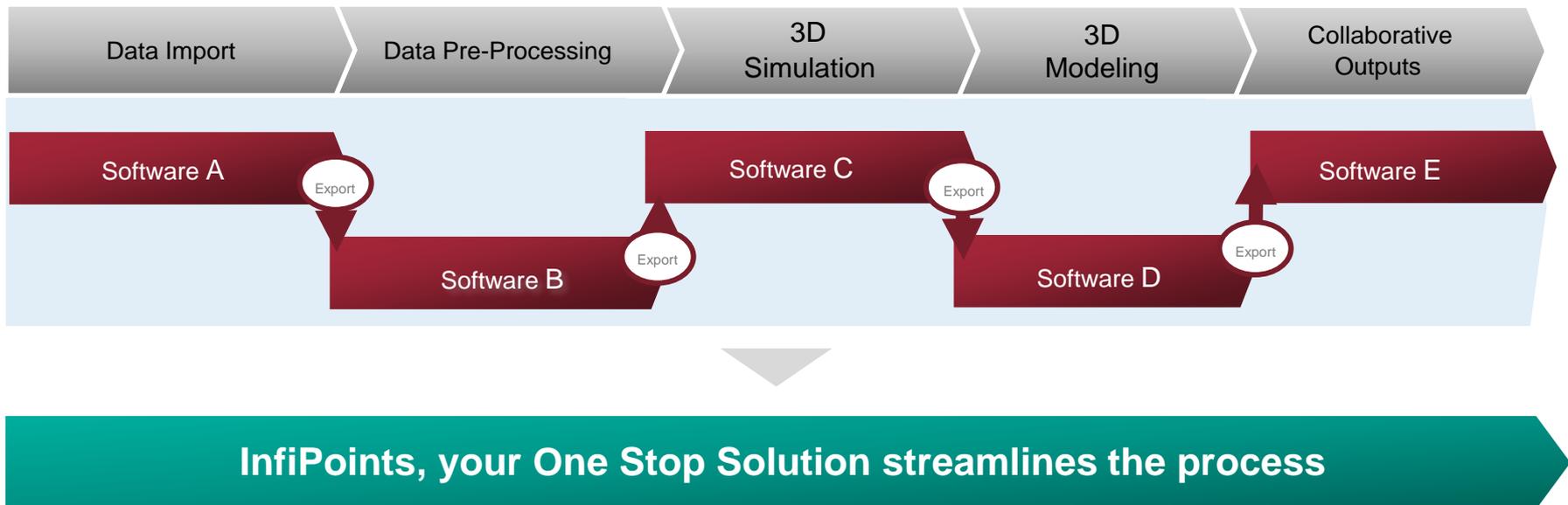


InfiPoints Concept

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Comprehensive Software to Facilitate the Entire Process of Point Cloud Utilization

Point Cloud Utilization Flow



InfiPoints Concept

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Easier Utilization of Point Cloud Data

Reducing Time for Data Preparation

- Dramatically reduce time and labor to prepare data for utilization by easily registering multiple scans from a laser scanner and performing powerful noise reduction

Smoothly Work in a Large Scale Environment

- Billions of points will not stop you from smoothly handling your point clouds
- Dramatically reduce time and labor of modeling by using plane/cylinder automatic extraction and tools

Data Preparation Time Reduction Scenario

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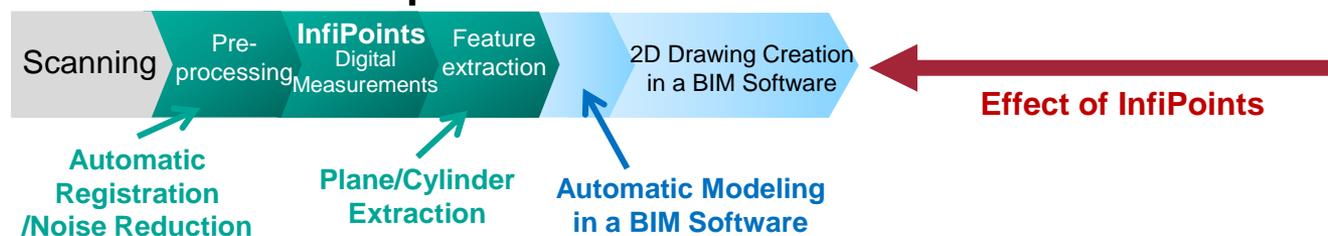
1. Conventional Workflow



2. After 3D Laser Scanner Implementation Workflow



3. After InfiPoints Implementation Workflow



50% Reduction in time!

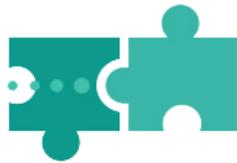
Functions – 5 Processes

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InfiPoints supports your one-stop point cloud utilization in the following 5 processes



Data Import



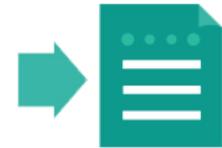
Data Pre-processing



Analysis



Modeling



Collaborative
Outputs

Data Import

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- Import multiple scan data formats including native scanner data
- Viewing of large scale point clouds (billions)



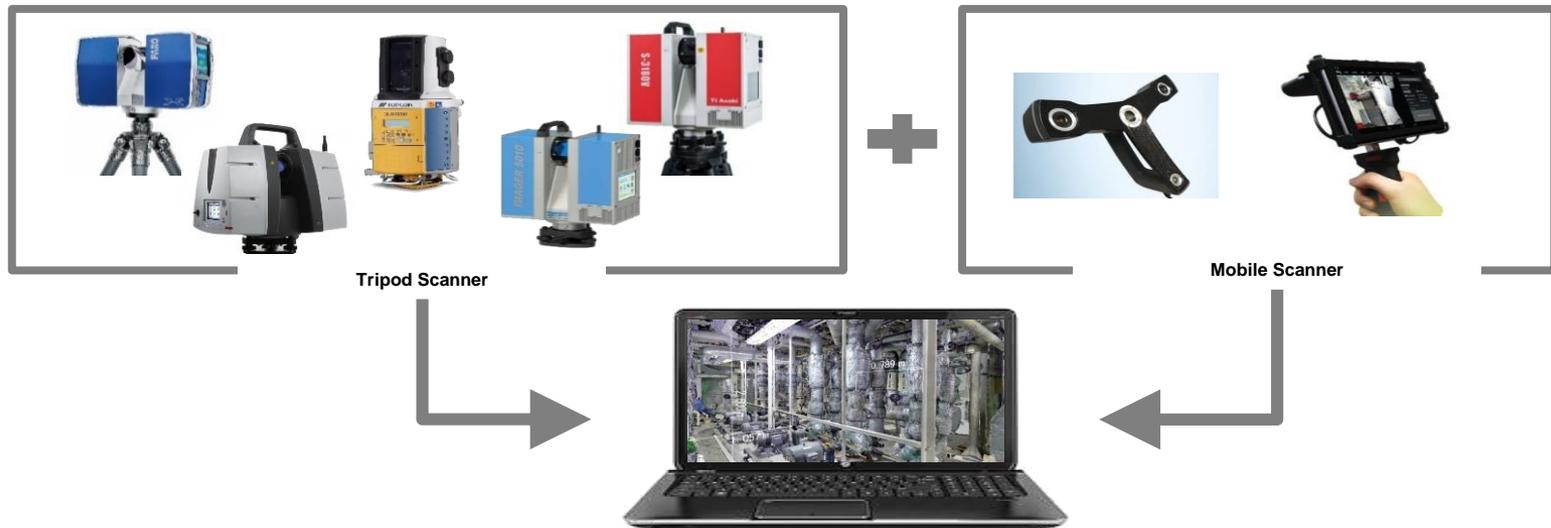
Data Import

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Register Point Clouds from Different Scanners



Register your point cloud data from data coming from both a tripod scanner and a mobile scanner



Data Pre-processing

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- **Markerless Automatic Registration**
- **Automatic Noise Reduction**
- **Target Recognition, Coordinate Transformation**

In collaboration with



BC Engineering and Design

Markerless Registration

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Home Import Pre-process Analysis Modeling Output Creation

Define the origin
Start Registration
Move Point Cloud
Fit to CAD / Polygon Model
Register

Create Reference Point
Import External Reference Points
Export
Register Two Groups
Reference Point

Color/Intensity Filter
Remove Noise
Extract Ground
Filter

Extract Planes and Pipes
Extract Primitive

Create Light Point Cloud
Reduce Size

Enable Layer Edit
Generate Polygon Layer

Navigation Tree Annotation Layer

Registration
1. Set up 2. Register 3. Align Check Finalize Settings

Registration Target
Checking consistency... Cancel

XML Report

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the following content:

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- Page Title: Registration Evaluation Report
- Section: Index
 - 1. [Overview | Evaluation Result in Images](#)
 - 2. [Evaluation Result | Per Scan Shot](#)
 - 3. [External Reference Points](#)
 - 4. [Targets \(Internal Reference Points\) Used for Evaluation](#)
 - 5. [Gap between Scan Shots](#)
 - 6. [Gap between Target and Corresponding External Reference Point](#)
 - 7. [Gap between Targets \(Internal Reference Points\)](#)
 - 8. [Evaluation Result by Extracted Planes | Between Paired Shots](#)
- Section: Overview | Evaluation Result in Images
 - Image: A grayscale point cloud visualization of a mechanical part with yellow and green markers indicating registration points. The image is labeled "Top - Target_Edge".

Automatic Noise Reduction

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Overlapping Noise



Automatic Noise Reduction

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Removing Kinetic Noise



Analysis

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- **Measurements using extracted planes/cylinders**
- **Real-time interference check along path and with interaction**
- **Comparison between CAD and Point Cloud**

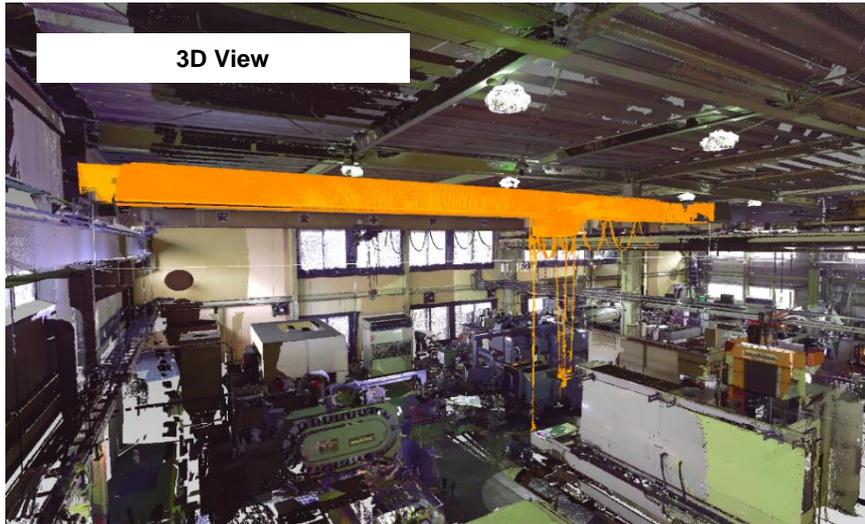
Measurements Using Extracted Planes/Pipes

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Case Study-Ceiling Crane Rail Measurements

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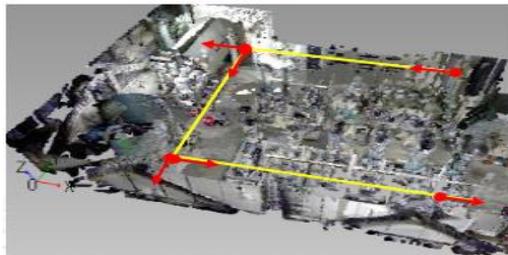
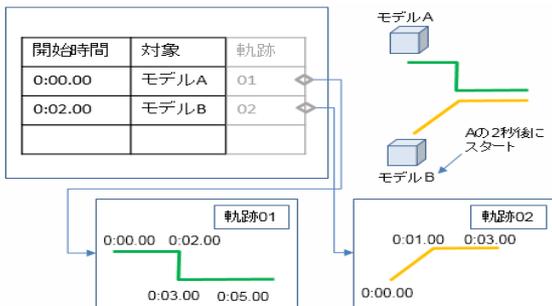
Reduce dangerous height work using digital measurements

Real-time Interference Check Along Path

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Path creation, movement of CAD model along the path and performance of real-time interference checking
Save your CAD model path movement as a movie as well



Comparison Between CAD and Point Cloud

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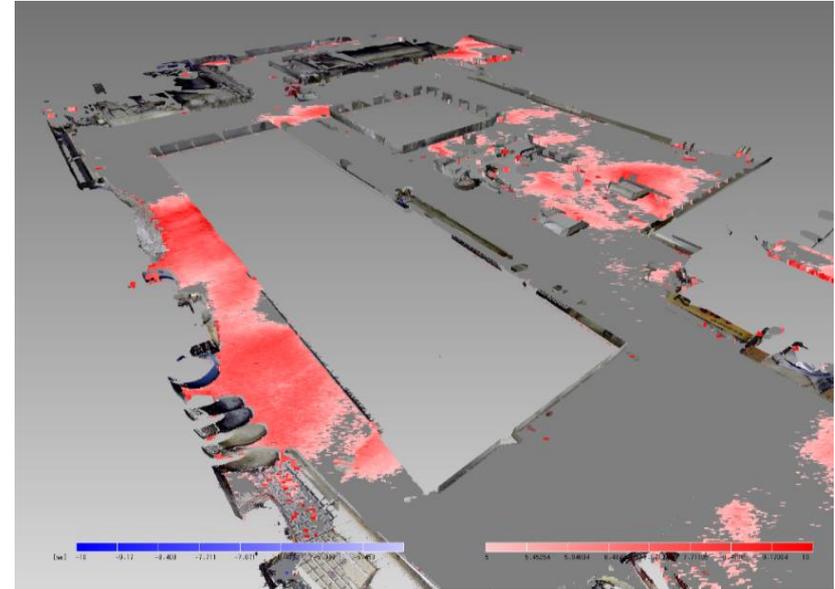
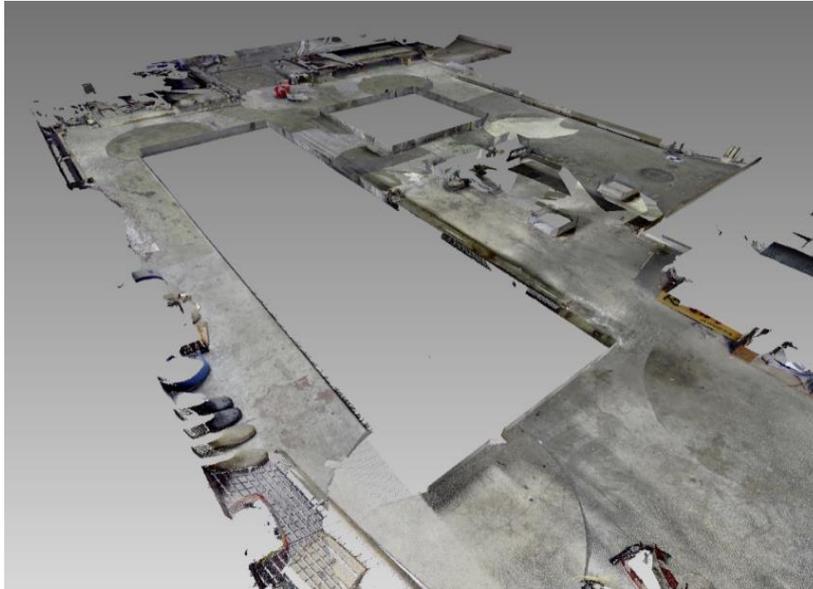
Overlay a CAD model to a scanned point cloud data and extract deviation

Examine deviation between planned and result or used for monitoring of secular changes of equipment



Case Study-Examine Inclination of Construction Plane

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Prevent implementation problems of equipment by checking inclination of the construction plane

Modeling

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- Mesh Creation
- Pipes
- Equipment
- Steel Structures
- Ducts

Mesh Creation

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Layer Classification of Point Cloud for Mesh Creation



Layer Classification



Mesh Creation



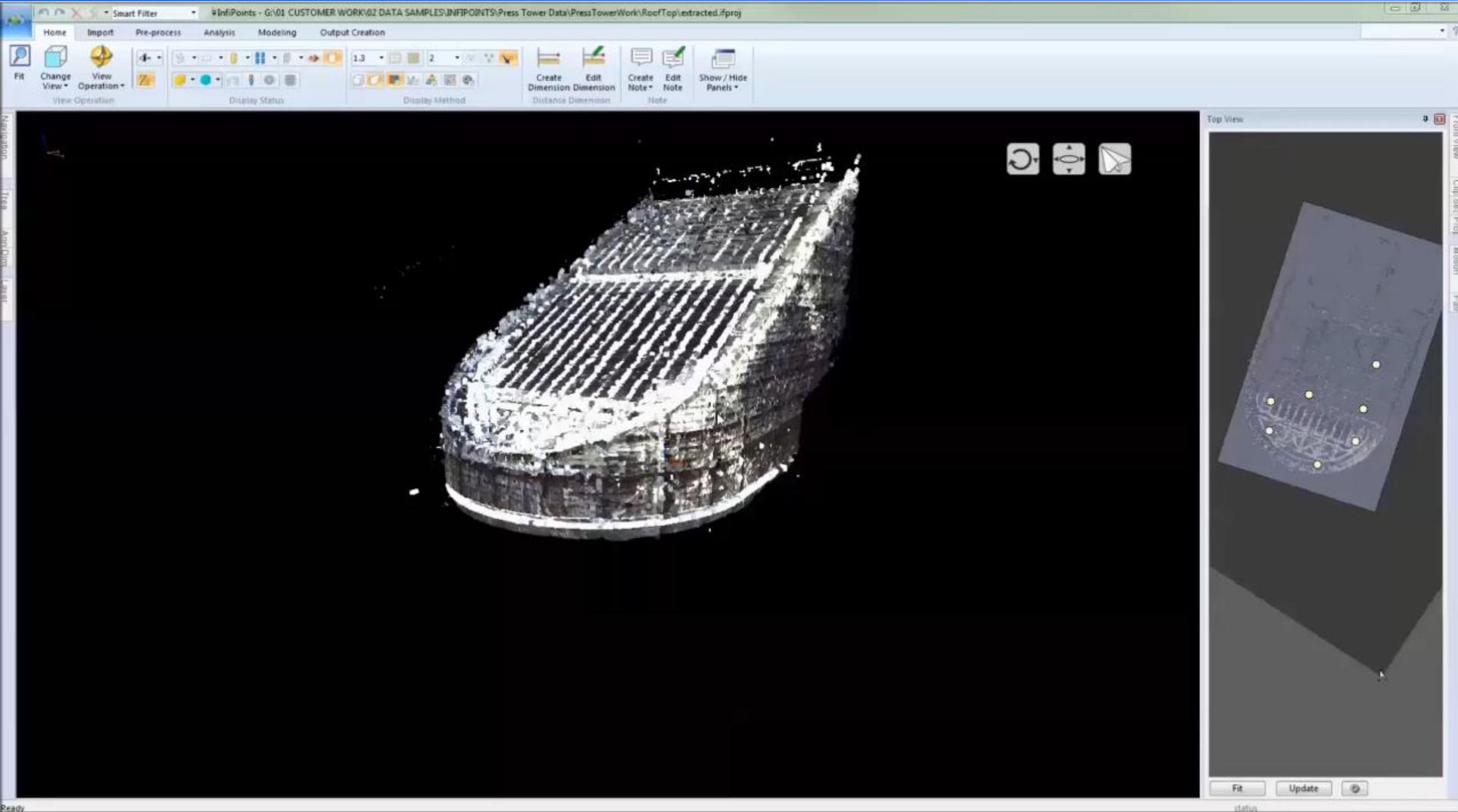
Pipe Modeling

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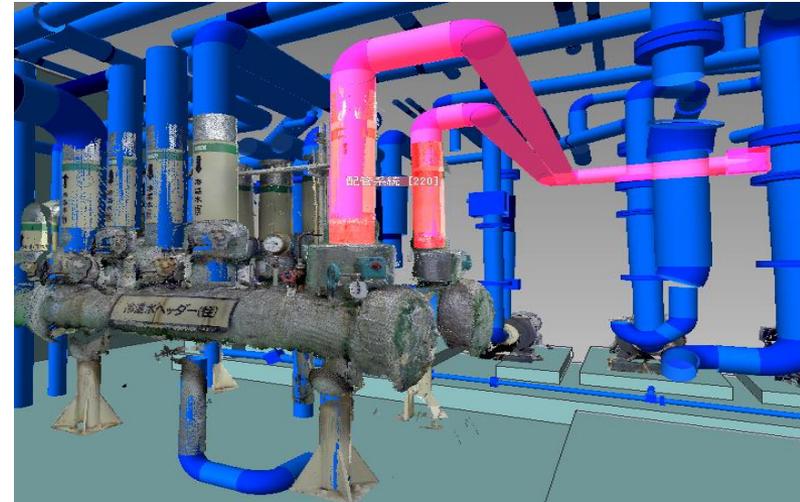
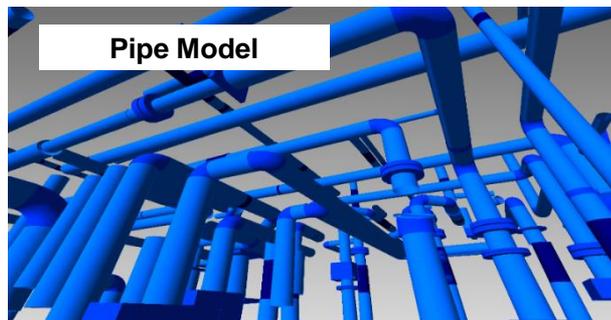
Pipe Modeling

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Case Study-Existing Pipe Renewal/Construction

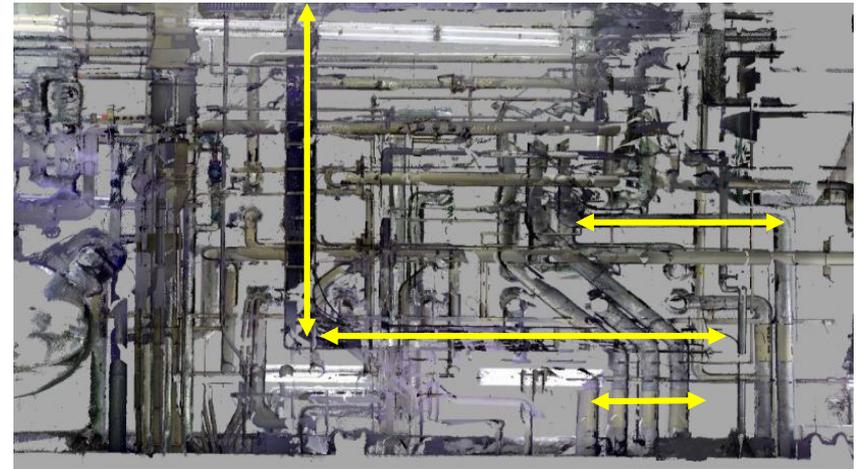
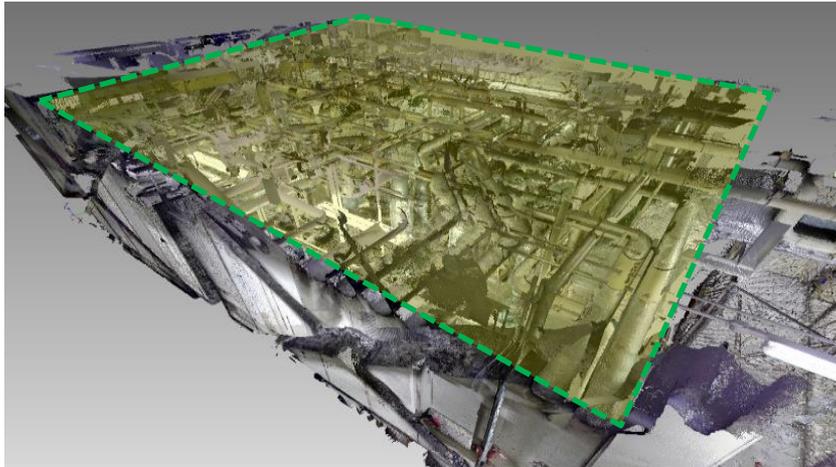
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Check connection of pipes to an existing equipment and estimate new piping needed for construction

Case Study-Piping Renewal Study

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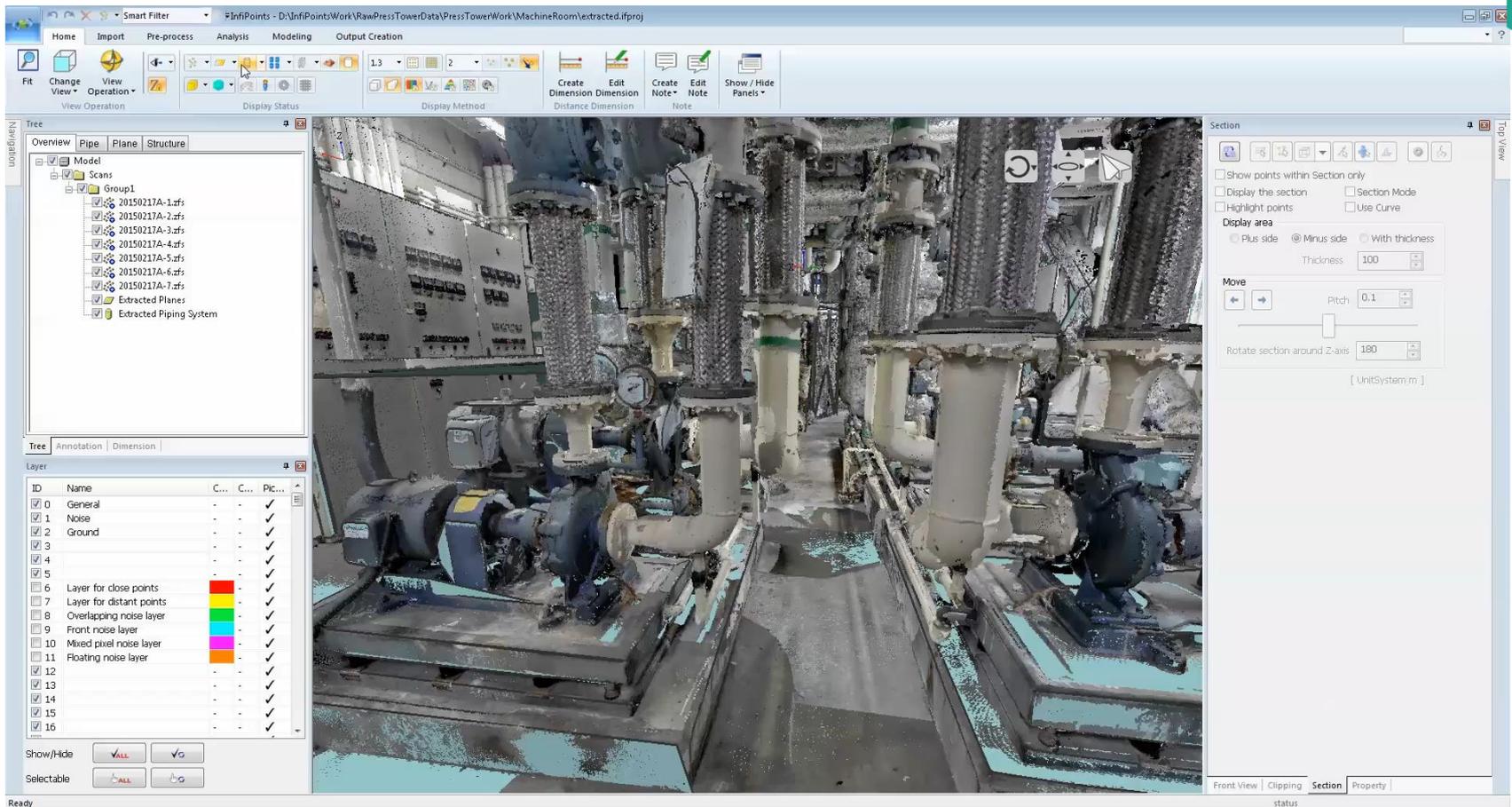


Example of a section view displaying pipes near the ceiling

**Cut a cross section of your desired area and measure walls and near ceiling areas
Very difficult to hand measure and not have any human errors**

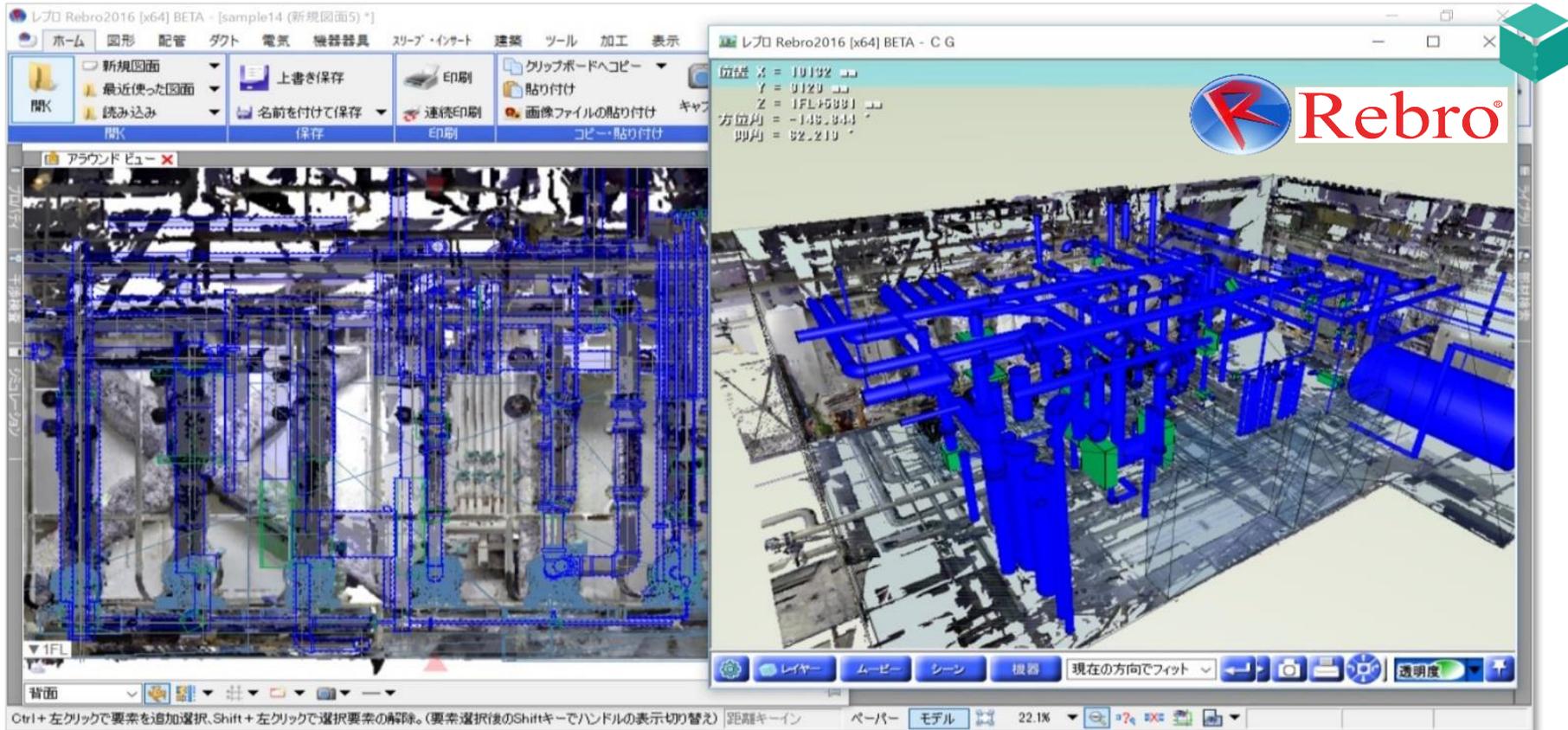
Equipment Modeling

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Case Study-Equipment Modeling CAD Connection

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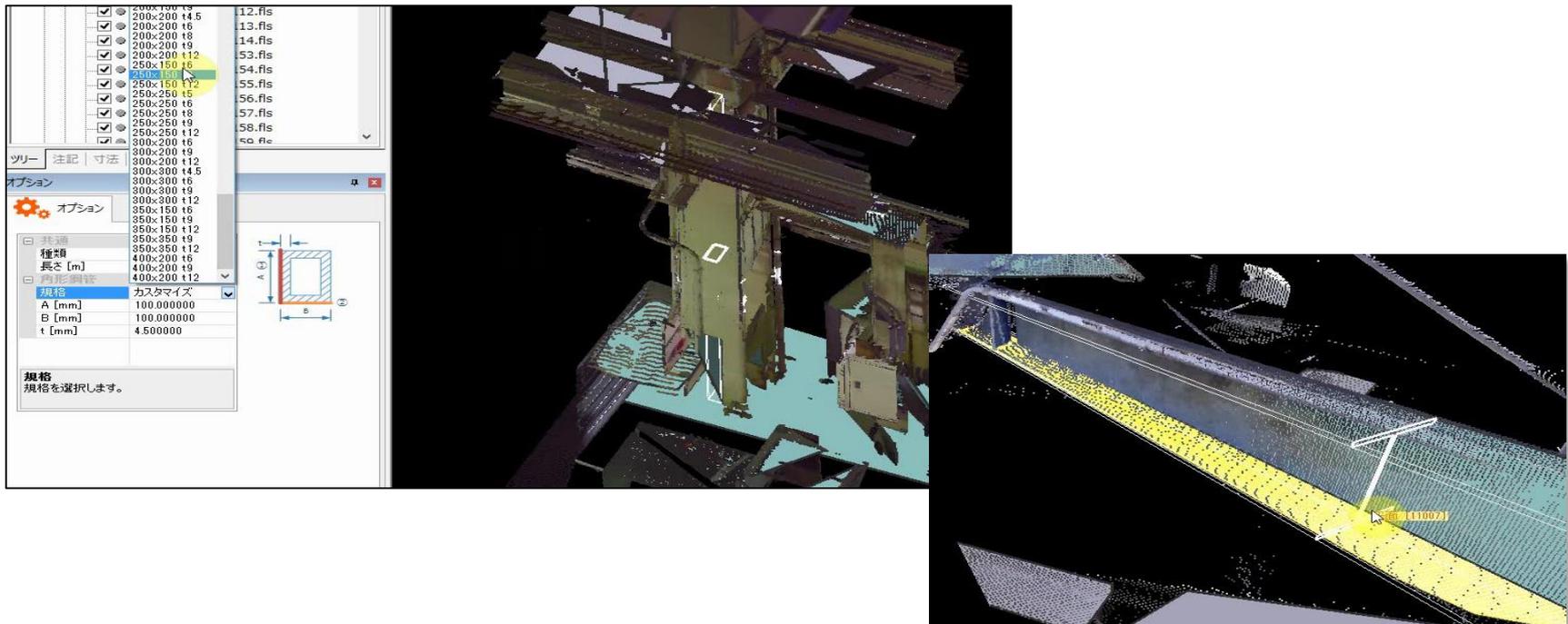
Use automatically extracted planes/cylinders of InfiPoints to complete your workflow in other software

Steel Structure Modeling

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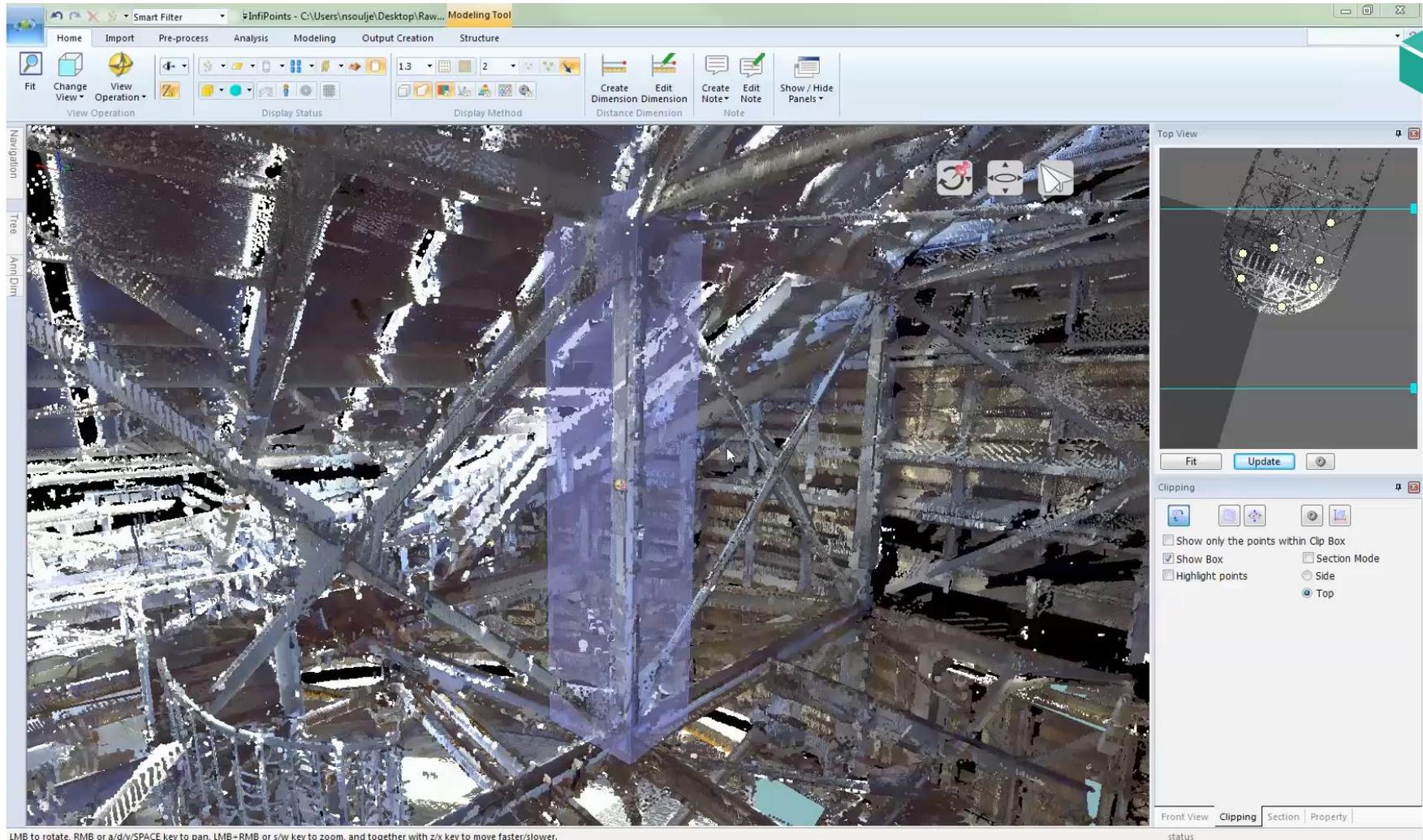


Modeling of H-beams, I-beams, etc.



Steel Structure Modeling

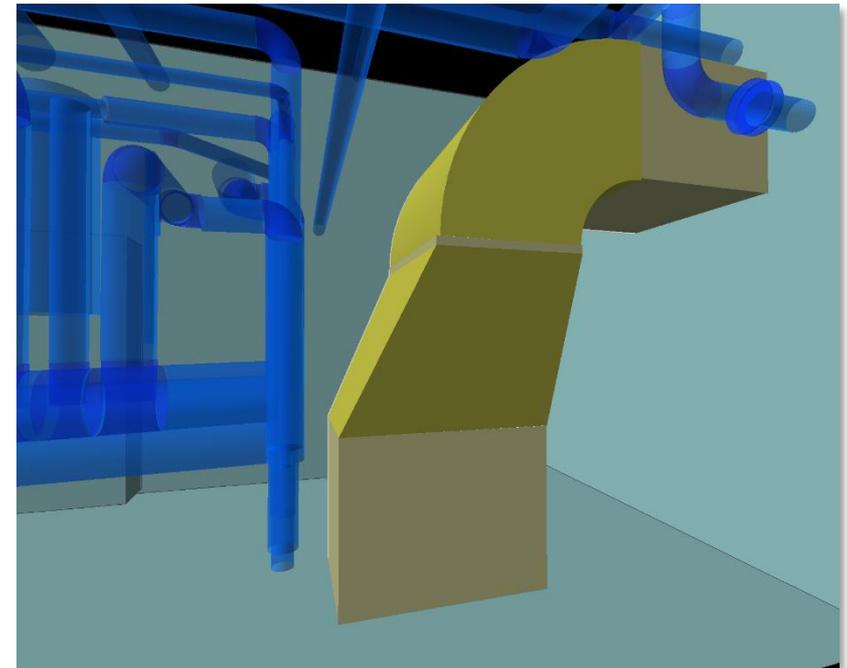
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Duct Modeling

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Added duct exclusive modeling function utilizing automatically extracted planes



Collaborative Outputs

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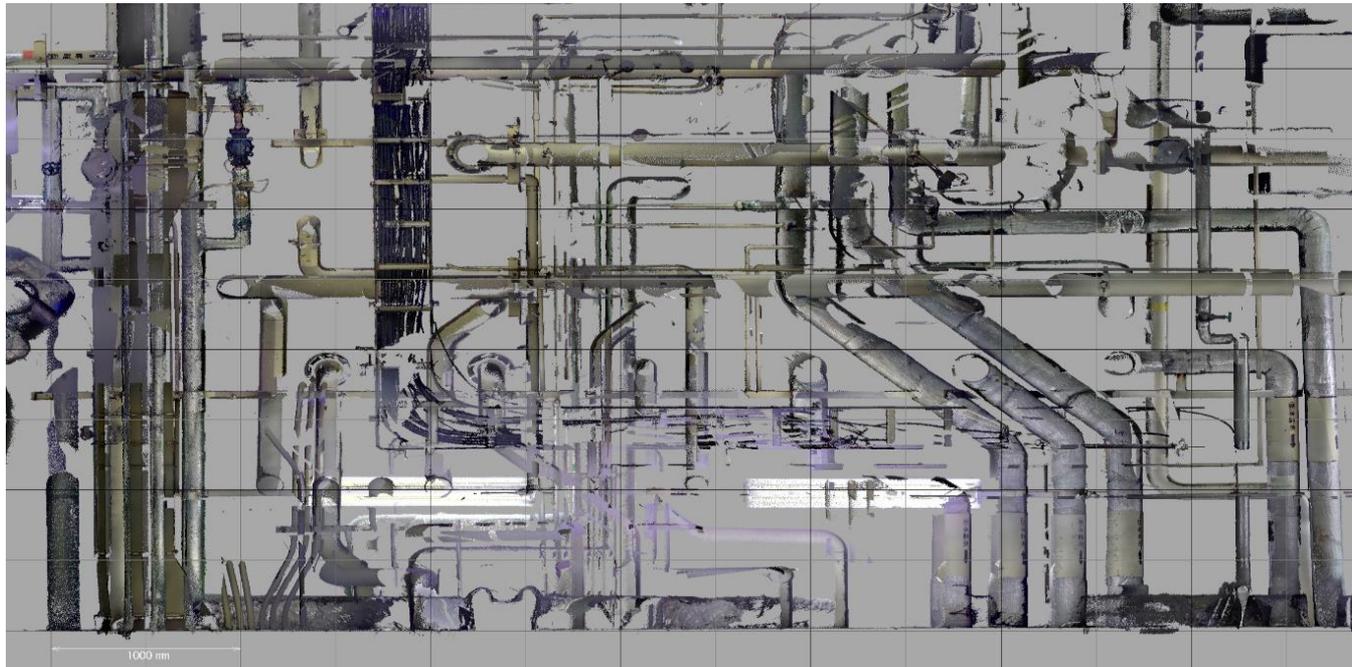


- **Export Ortho Images**
- **Fly-through Movie**
- **Export Viewer File**
- **External Links**

Export Ortho Images

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Specify a reduced scale and export high precision ortho images
Import into a 2D CAD for drawing creation reference or
print it out for information sharing



Fly Through Movie

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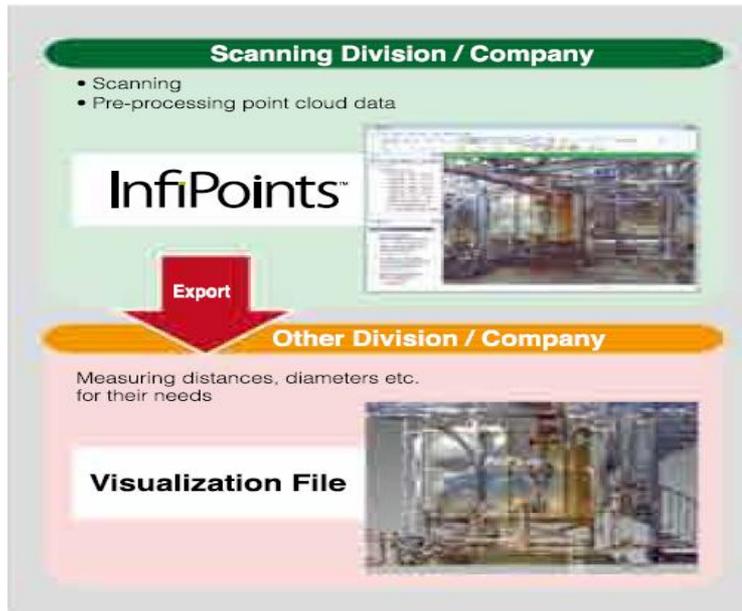


Export Viewer File

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Export a viewer file for distribution to other departments or clients
Point cloud data could be viewed without an installation or the license of the application



<Possible things in the viewer file>

1. Viewing of point cloud, CAD data, notes and dimension
2. Switching view/hide of layers
3. Section movement along a pre-set path
4. Drawing creation, DWG export [*]
5. Ortho image export [*]
6. Adding dimensions [*]
7. Adding notes

[*] Authority settings could be done at the time of viewer file export

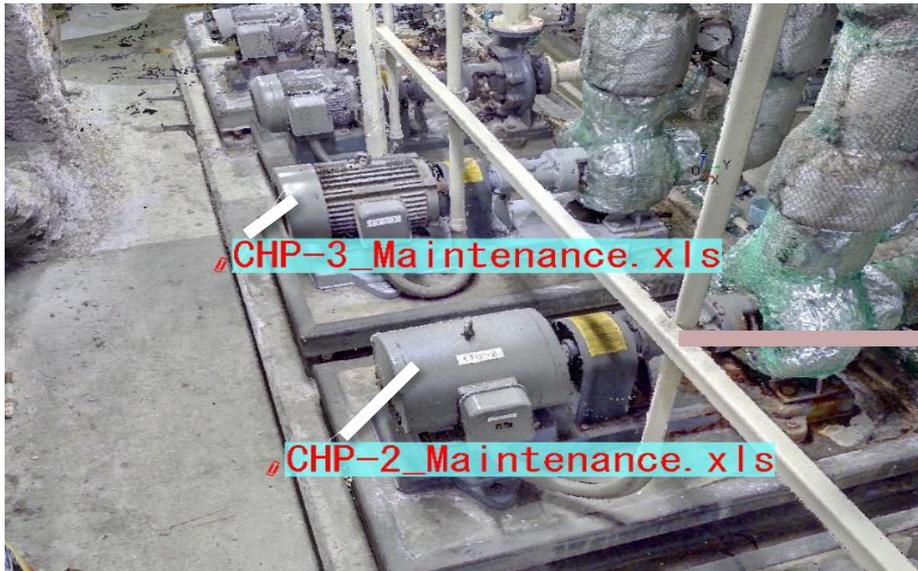
- ✘ Point cloud rendering capabilities are the same as that of InfiPoints
- ✘ Users could save drawings, notes, and dimensions added in the viewer file

External Link

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Add notes and comments on the point cloud

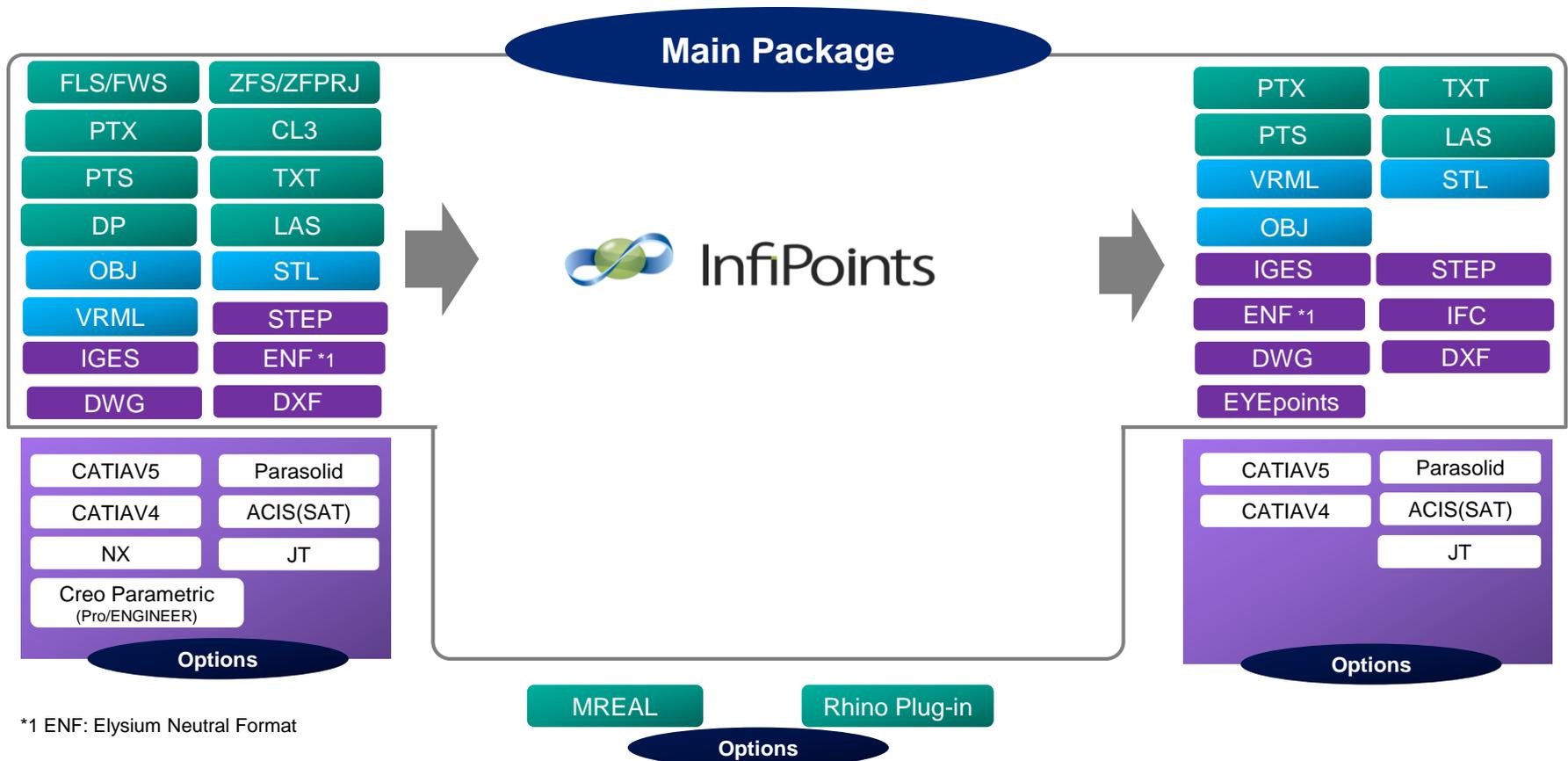
Link saved files (i.e. manuals) or
attach a reference hyperlink on the point cloud



Viewer File Demo

Supporting Formats

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*1 ENF: Elysium Neutral Format

Head Mount Display

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Realize the experience using the head mount display (Oculus) to view your scanned point cloud data.

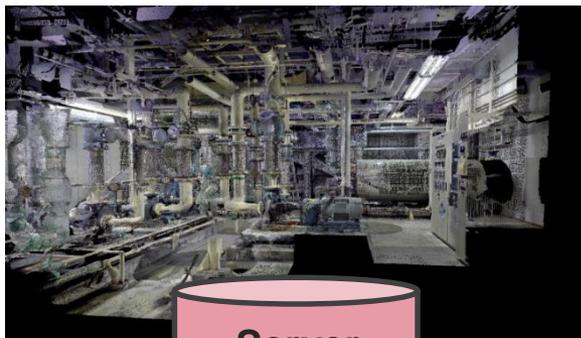


Oculus Rift

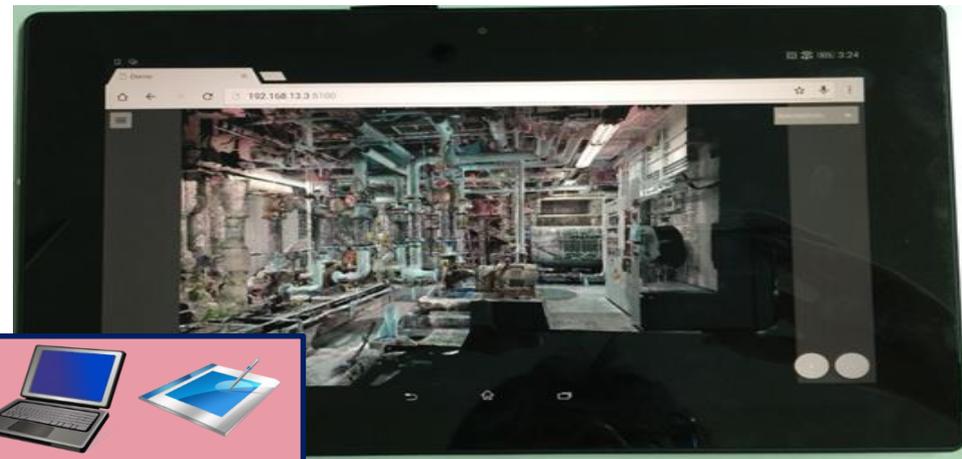
Point Cloud Web Viewer

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Access the server from the client (PC, tablet, smartphone, etc.) and lightly view your point cloud data



- Access a URL in a web browser to view your point cloud
- Software installation is unnecessary on the client side



Customer Case Studies

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- **Shinryo Corporation**



- BIM case
- 30% reduction in lead-time by utilizing automatic registration, denoising, feature extraction, and the CAD JT export

- **Tonets Corporation**



- BIM case
- Utilizing automatic feature extraction, Rebro connection, and IFC export option to other BIM software
 - 2 month process down to 14 days

- **Matsue College**

- Silver mine investigation
- Utilized automatic noise reduction and ground extraction

Customer Case Studies

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- **Shinko Plantech**

- Avoid rework by virtually checking for interferences for construction maintenance
- Utilizing automatic feature extraction, polygons, and collision detection, were able to avoid 30 areas that would have caused interference



JFE Plant Engineering Co., Ltd.

- **JFE Plant Engineering**

- Looking at the inclination of their plants after earthquakes for maintenance
- Utilizing automatic noise reduction, measurement capabilities, and CAD to Point Cloud validation
 - Saved time, reduced human danger, increased measurement capabilities

Thank You!

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