

High speed 3D capture for Configuration Management
DOE SBIR Phase II

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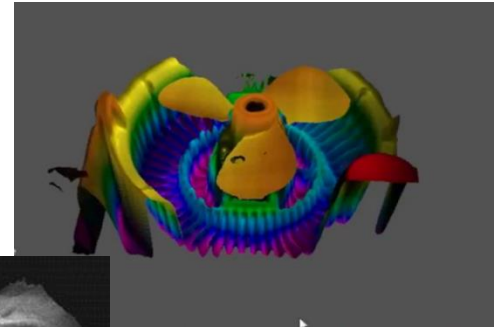
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TetraVue does high resolution 3D imagery

- **Founded in 2008 to make high resolution 3D camcorders a reality**

- Simple instant capture of location of surroundings
- Patented system technology
- High resolution, long range, low power



- **Technology team has demonstrated core technology**

- Exceptional core team with world-class engineering partners
- Technology projects to show utility for Mars landers, autonomous helicopters, biometrics, and industrial construction

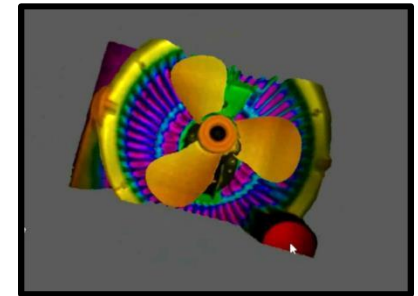
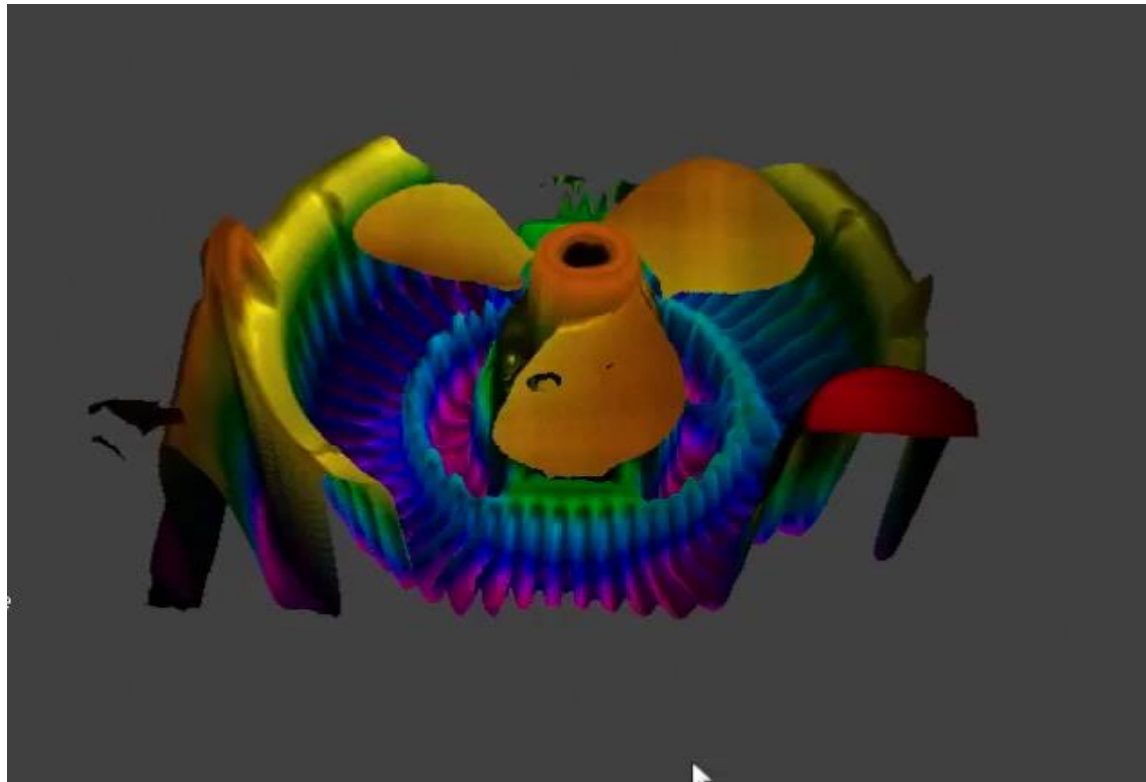


- **Beginning productization to create small, high resolution 3D camera product**

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True high resolution 3D video is revolutionary

High resolution 3D video changes how machines & humans interact with the world



Acquisition point of view

6 m range, 12 fps, ~3 mm
range resolution, 2 Mpx
sensor

TetraVue has unique 3D capability in resolution, range, power & speed

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Nuclear power plant configuration management requires a new solution

- Modern configuration management requires as-built information

- Accurate, up-to-date
- Cost-effective



Nuclear facilities have high density of components & tight tolerances

Existing solutions are too costly & slow.

- Existing approaches (3D laser scanners) require extensive setups and post-processing
 - 1000s of scans per facility
 - Manual registration to plant coordinate system
 - Separate imagery for component ID
- New tablet scanners are limited
 - Short range operation
 - Slow acquisition
 - Poor resolution
 - But less expensive (\$5 – 10K + software)

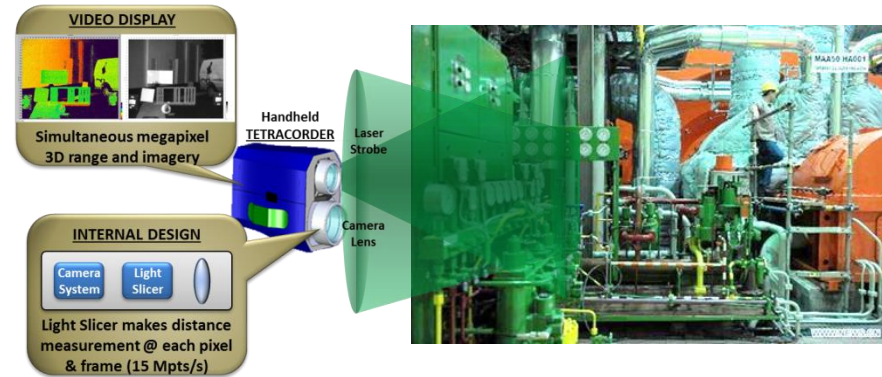
TetraVue's 3D camera technology promises automate registration without setups
- Imagery & coordinate information from a single sensor

Megapixels, 30 m range, low power

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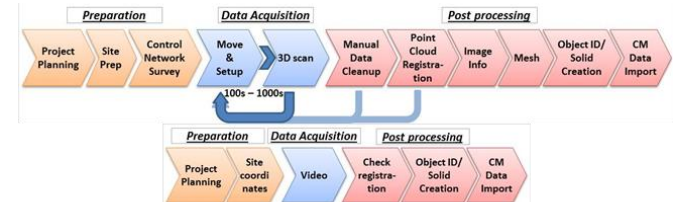
Phase II will demonstrate the value & utility of acquiring 3D data from a moving platform

- 3D coordinate and image capture from a moving platform.
 - <Improve 2X with 2X FOV in handheld>
- 3D frame registration into a project-based reference frame
 - <Improve accuracy & speed>
- Determine control network density required.
 - <Confirm 100 m between control points>
- Demonstrate integration of data in CAD software for comparison with design
 - <Near real-time integration>
- Demonstrate in test environment relevant to nuclear power plant construction.
 - <End-to-end live demo>
- ID fieldable design requirements.
 - <Update from input from stakeholders>



Phase II handheld 3D camera

Traditional Workflow for 3D scanning
Potential TetraCorder Workflow



Phase II objectives will demonstrate practicality of high resolution 3D video for cost-effective configuration management

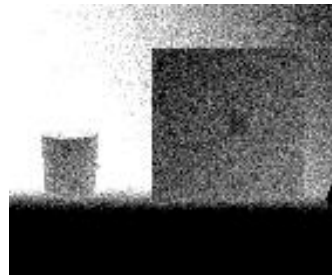
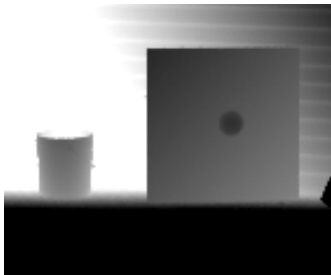
- 1" accuracy to plant system [ultimate goal is 2-4X better for critical dimensions]
 - Eye-safe (class 1M)
 - Max Range 20 – 30 m
 - Near real-time 3D models of complex structures
 - 10 - 45°C operation
 - Demonstrate 1 person operation/handling
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- Improve camera performance by 3X over Phase I
 - Build handheld, single person operation 3D camera prototype
 - Show near-real-time, accurate model generation

End-to-end demonstration: incorporate 3D model into common CM software in < 4X the capture time

Pixels matter

Impact of image & range noise (and therefore distance) is much less with higher pixel counts

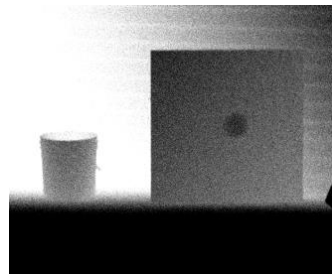
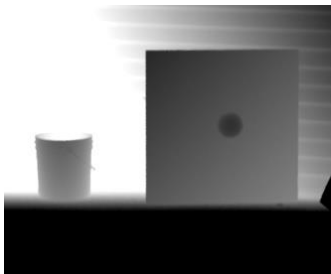
Simulated depth images



140 px x 116 px

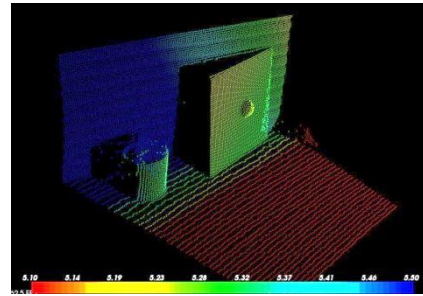
No depth noise

4 cm depth noise

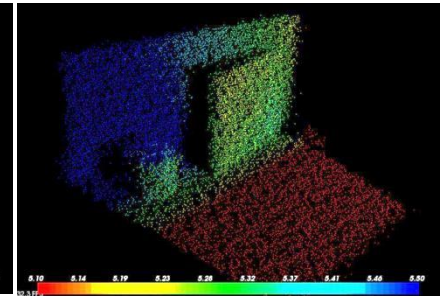


700 px x 580 px

3D rendering of same data

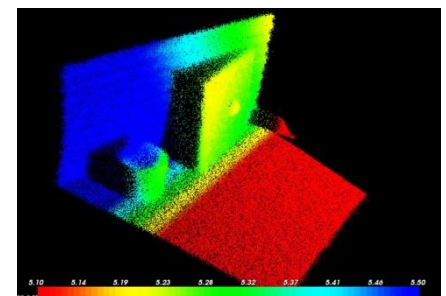
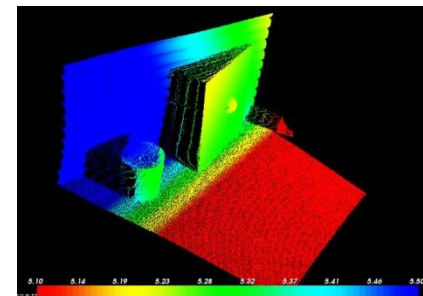


No noise



With BLF filter

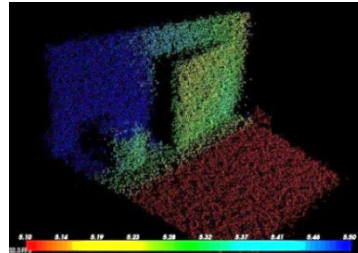
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4 keys for 3D: pixels, range, power, & cost

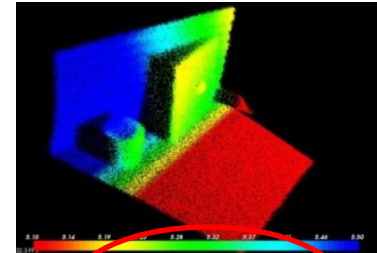
More Pixels
(Megapixel)

State-of-the-Art



10,000 – 40,000

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2,000,000

More Range
(10 – 100+ m)

< 5 m

100+ m

Less Light Power

Electric power 4-100X

2,260 W*

0.4 W*

(Quantum limited)

Low cost

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< \$200 (high vol)

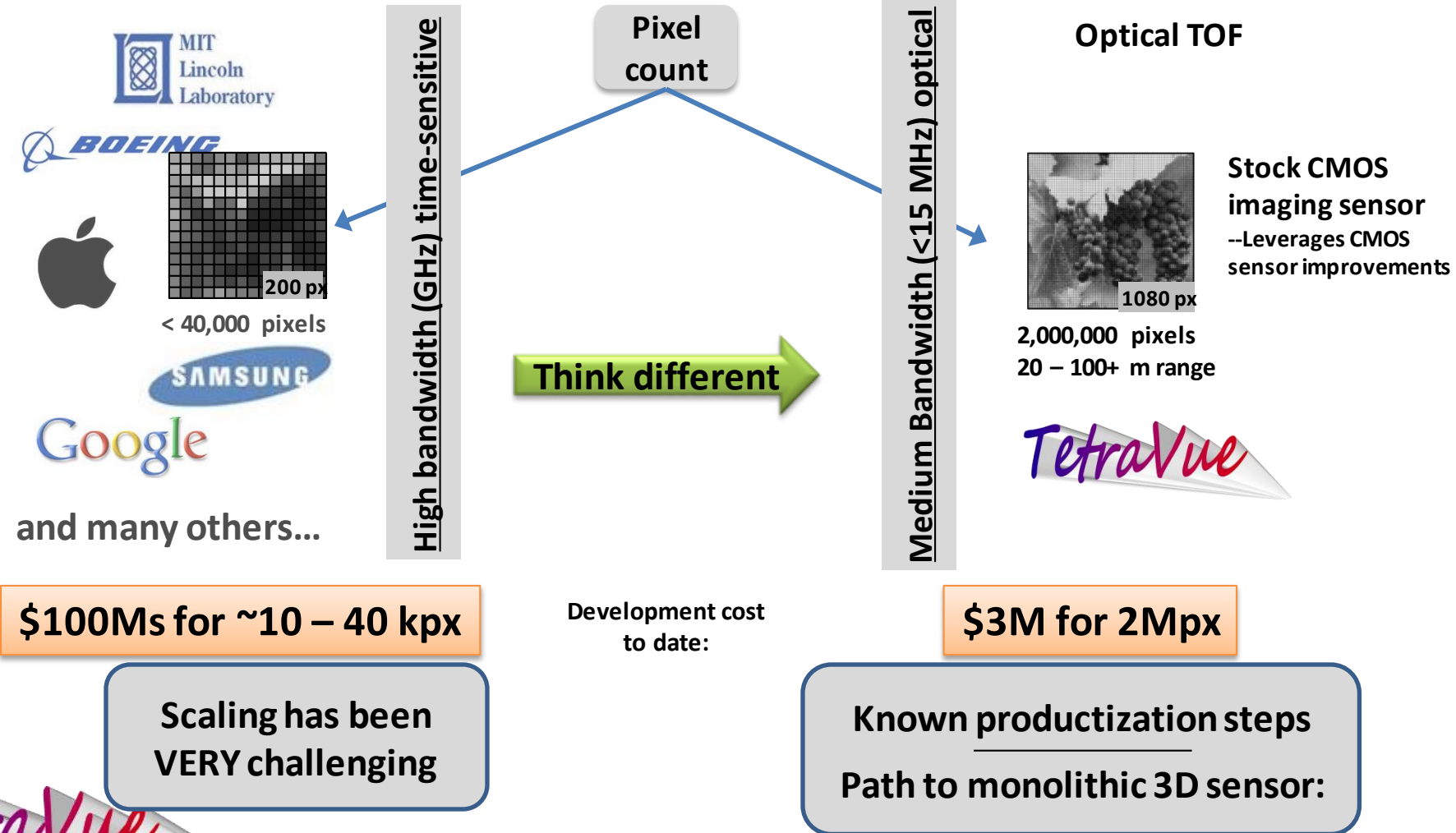
*For 1Mpx @ 50 m, 10% reflectivity

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An optical approach to TOF 3D imaging promises makes high resolution 3D imagery possible

TRADITIONAL

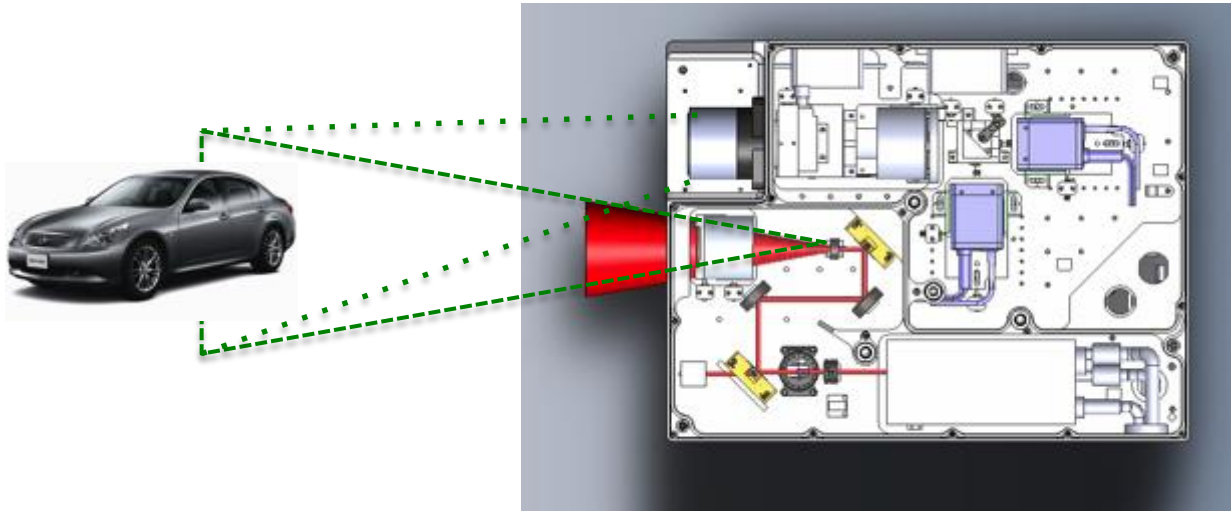
REVOLUTIONARY



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TetraVue's 3D Camera Technology uses optics to measured time and distance

Instantaneous 3D image capture with a single aperture



- Patented “light slicer” technology
- Extended laser strobe (no blurring/no scanning)
- Simultaneously capture information for all pixels
- Camera-like HD imaging: coordinates & image
- Low latency—“instant” decisions

IMPACT

- 10 – 100X more pixels
- 10 – 100X longer ranges
- 25 – 100X less power
- 100X lower development cost
- Scene captured instantly
- Path to low cost 3D sensor

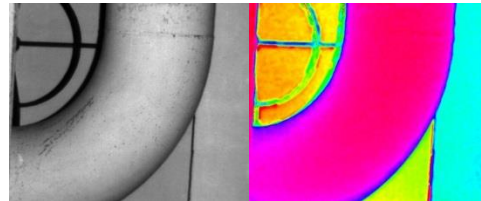
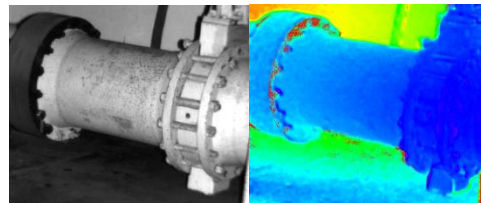
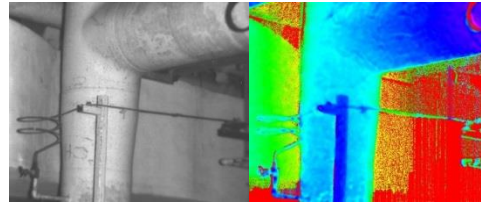
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3D video imagery from nuclear plant

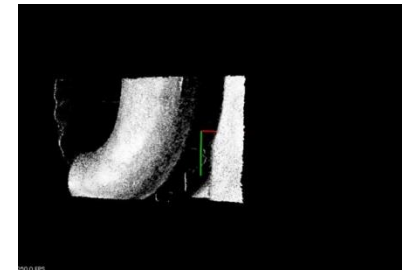
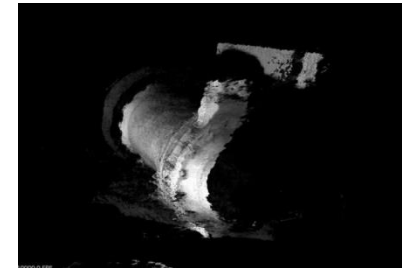
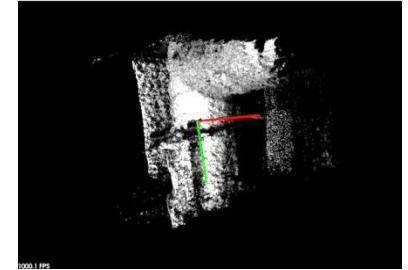
TetraVue Prototype 3D camera at site



Simultaneous Intensity & range maps at 10 fps



Generation of 3D object frames



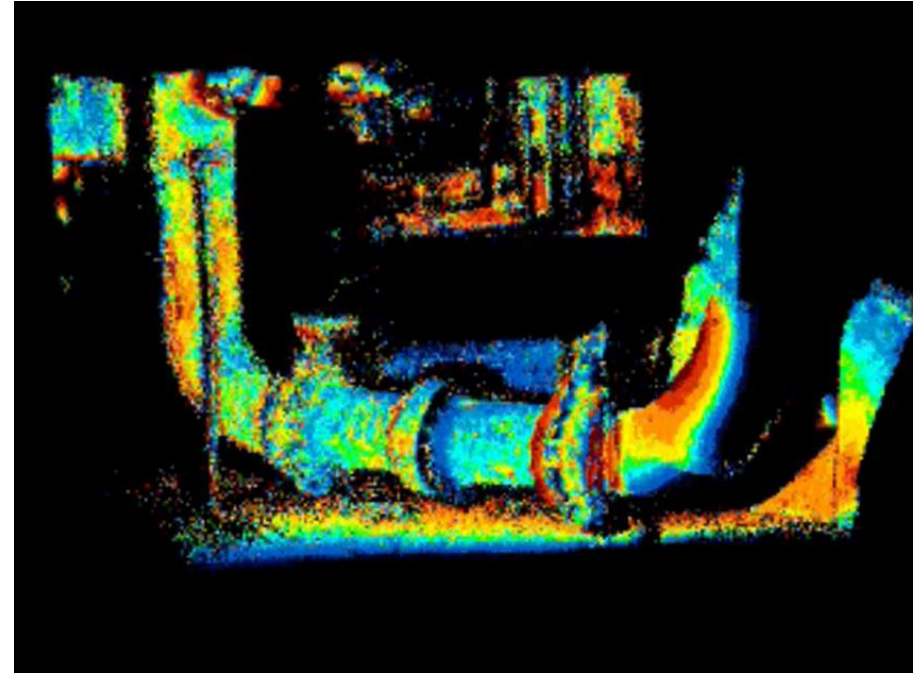
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Automated model creation from 100 frames compares well with prior as-built 3D data

Registered 3D model from video



Comparison (color indicates error)

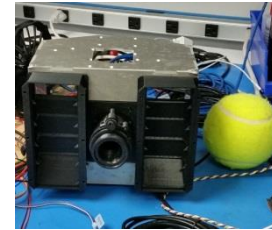


Registered model within 2" of prior as-built measurements

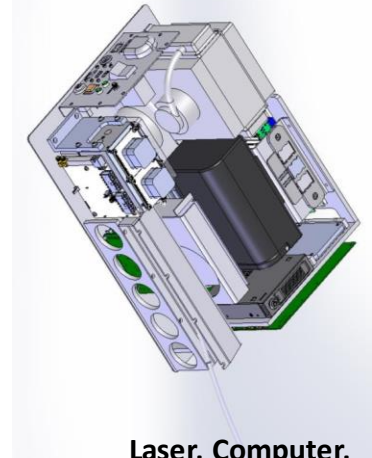
- DOE Phase II will demonstrate engineering grade performance
 - < 1" accuracy to plant coordinate system over extended area

Phase II 3D camera is designed to allow 1-person operation in congested environments

- Handheld camera + backpack
- > 45 min operation on battery
 - 5 min can cover 6000 m² (90% overlap)
- Sub-cm resolution and accuracy out to 10 m
 - Operational to > 30 m
- Operation like a camcorder



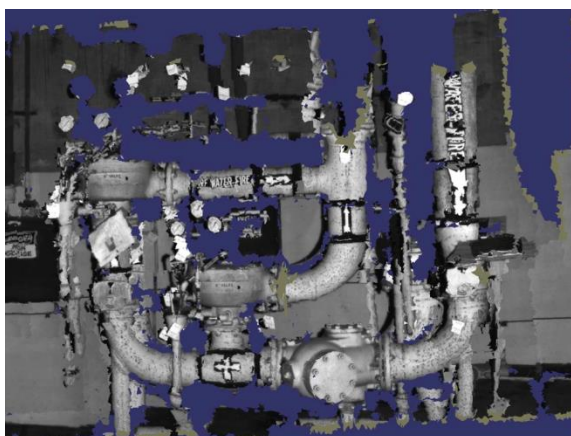
Camera & display
6" x 6" x 6"
7 lb



Laser, Computer, timing & battery
6" x 10" x 16"
25 lb

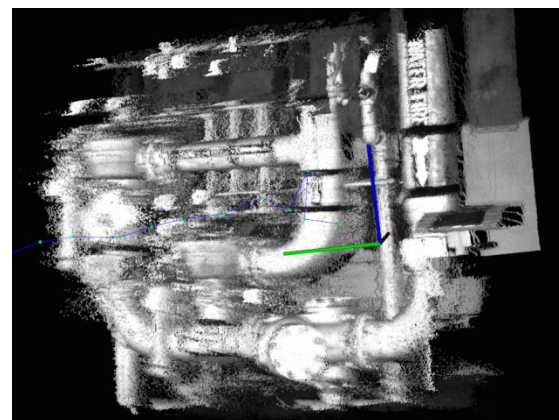
- Optics optimized & miniaturized
- Minimal electronics miniaturization

3D Registration is pursuing 2 parallel paths to achieve project goals



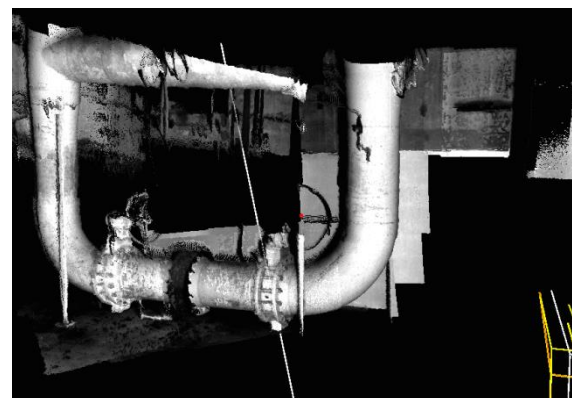
PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM Phase I
Texture applied to mesh but created registered surface relatively inaccurate

Modified open source



Approach I

Modified commercial product



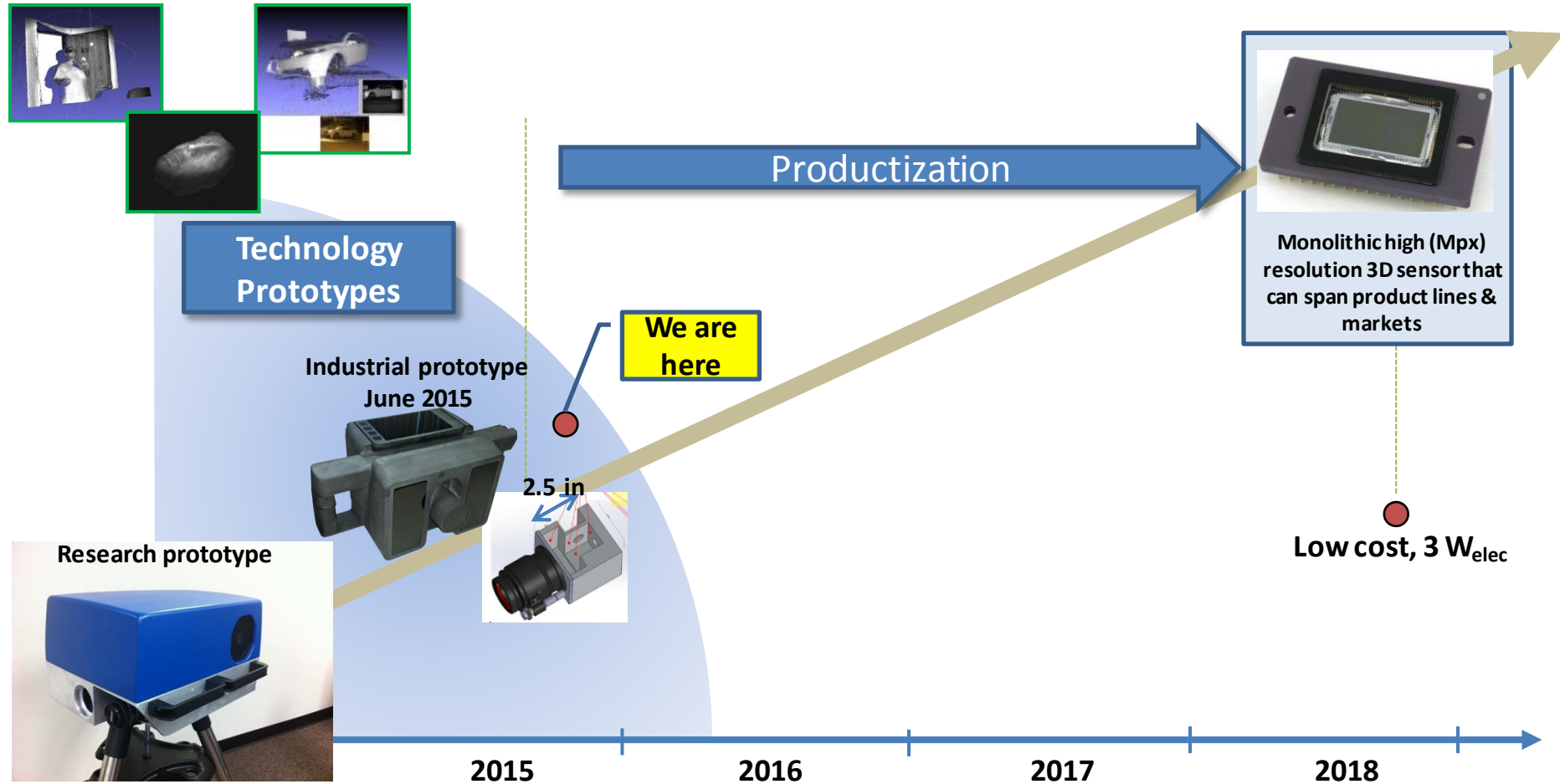
Approach II (Dot Product)

Live registration demo

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Product will be ubiquitous low-cost, long range, megapixel 3D sensor and cameras

High resolution monolithic sensors can now be realized with TetraVue's optical TOF technology



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What is missing in the Information Age?

Design/Virtual

- Autonomy
- CAD
- Machine Vision
- CG
- Visual f/x
- Augmented Reality
- Virtual Worlds
- Avatars



Reality/Live

- Objects
- Scenes
- Live Action
- Equipment
- As built
- People

REALITY MEETS DESIGN

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