



# INTEGRATION OF SCANNING TECHNOLOGY IN THE DESIGN PROCESS

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# EVOLUTION OF SITE INVESTIGATION



IN THE  
BEGINNING..

# EVOLUTION 1



PENCIL  
& PAPER

# EVOLUTION 2



CAMERA



# EVOLUTION 3



TABLET

# EVOLUTION 4



Go Pro

# TODAY...POINT CLOUDS!



## LIDAR

*Point cloud generated via  
laser (active sensor)*



## HD CAMERA

*Point cloud  
generated via  
photogrammetry  
(passive sensor)*

# Comparing Point Clouds...

ATTRIBUTE	CAMERA (Matterport Pro2)	LiDAR (Faro Focus S70)
Capture method	Line of sight	Line of sight
Source	Ambient light (passive)	Laser, independent of ambient light (active)
Color Resolution	134 megapixels, approx. 4 million points per scan	165 megapixel, up to 0.5 million points per second
Depth Resolution	3,600 points horizontal, 1,800 points vertical	40,960 points horizontal, 40,960 points vertical
Field of view	360° horizontal, 300° vertical	360° horizontal, 300° vertical
Scan time	31 seconds/scan position	5 minutes/scan position
Max range	15 ft	100 ft (w/no light)
Dim. Accuracy	+/- 1.8"	+/- 0.25"
Weight	7.5 lbs	9.25 lbs
Data Registration	Automatic – image recognition	Targeting or "cloud-to-cloud"
Features	Software permits Tags, Auto face blurring	
Data Transfer	WiFi transfer to iOS device	WiFi transfer to client device
Battery Life	8 hrs of scan time	5 hrs of scan time
Entry cost	Approx \$5,000 in equipment cost	Approx \$30,000 in equipment cost



# WHAT ... is Laser Scanning?

**Fast..**  
**Highly Accurate..**  
**Non-Contact..**  
**3D MEASUREMENT**

**Digitally Recordable &  
Transferable**  
**Visual  
Communication**

*“3D Measurement for a 3D World...”*

# WHAT ... Technology Brief

## POSITION

Millions of Points in XYZ Coordinates, ¼" Accuracy

- Compare emitted & returned light pulse

## BUILT-IN CAMERA

Map Color to Each Point (RGB)

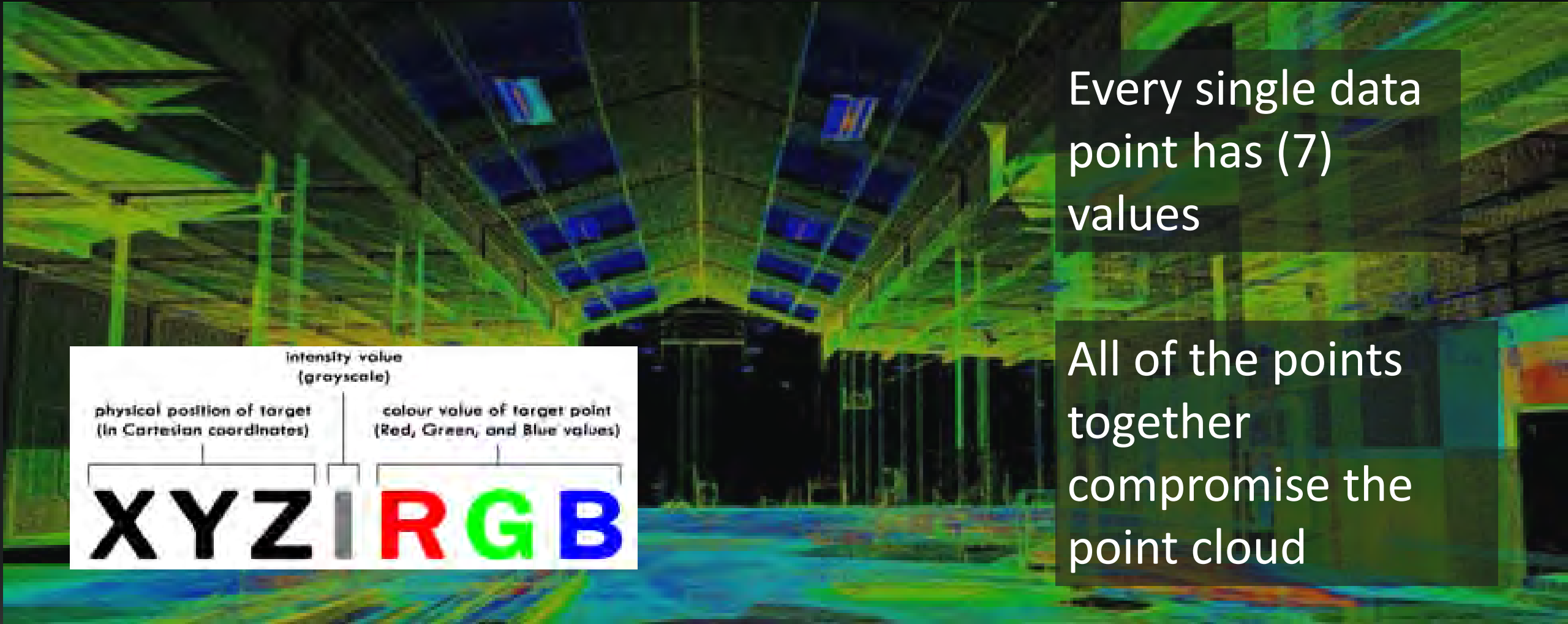
## ENERGY

Returned Energy is Recorded (Intensity Value)

- Dependent on surface characteristics, angle to object, and distance to object
- Example: Shiny stainless steel (low returned energy, most is dissipated) vs. matte drywall (high)



# WHAT ... The Point Cloud

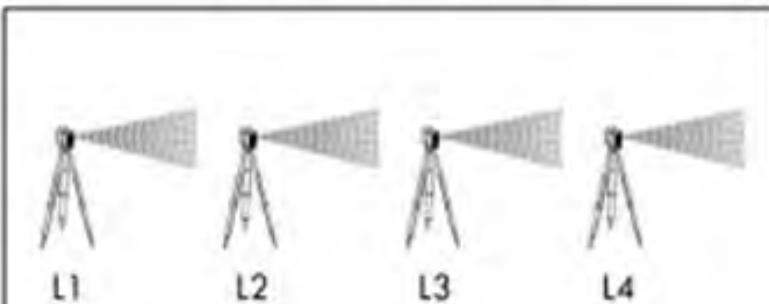
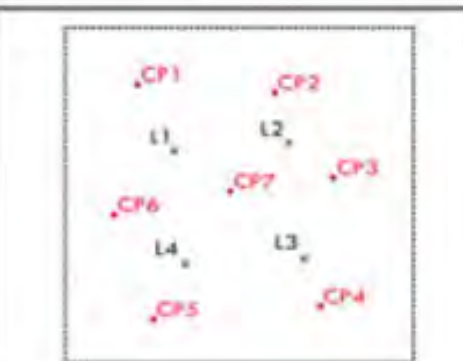

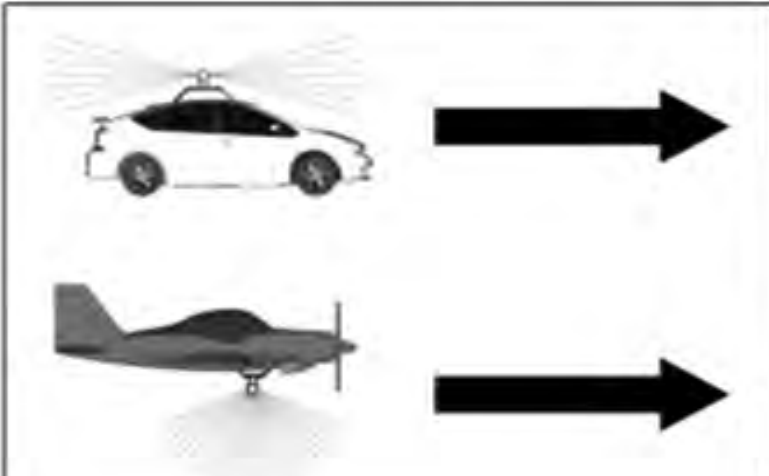
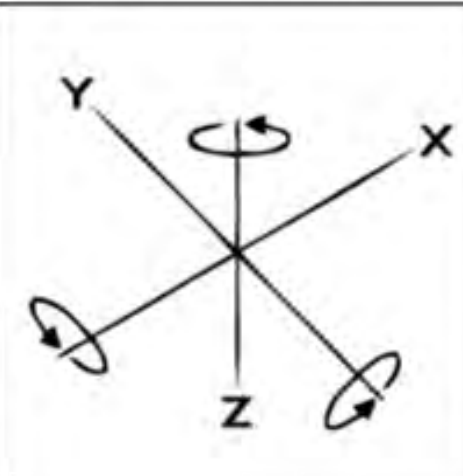



Every single data point has (7) values

All of the points together compromise the point cloud



# WHAT ... Terrestrial, Aerial, Mobile

TERRESTRIAL	Seperate measurements at different scan locations	Scans registered using network of control points (CP)	Point cloud in single coordinate frame
			
MOBILE AND AERIAL	Continuous measurements while scanner is in motion	Measurement adjusted for scanner position/motion (IMU)	Point cloud in single coordinate frame
			



...Wearable!

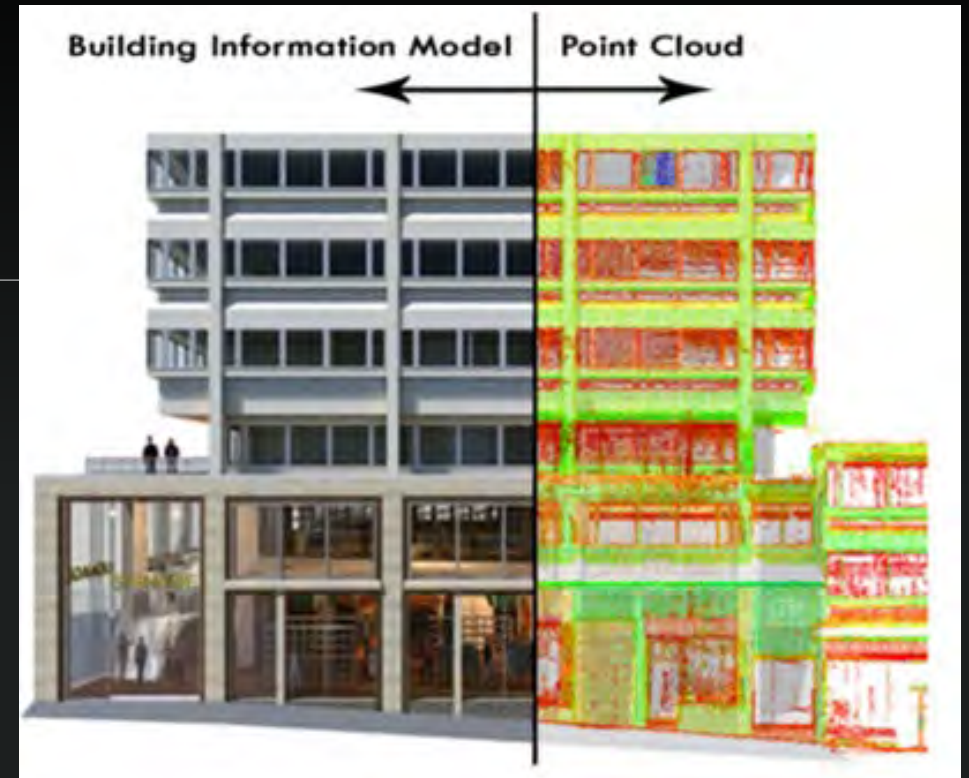


# WHEN ...

## Example – BIM Project Lifecycle

Laser  
Scanning  
and BIM  
Share  
Similar  
Goals:

- 1  
Identifying conflicts  
**PRIOR** to construction
- 2  
Maximize  
productivity during  
construction



- 3  
Validate Construction Quality  
*Utilize for post occupancy &  
asset mgmt. strategies*

# WHEN ... To Utilize Applications – Plant & Process

ANYTIME MEASUREMENT OF EXISTING ARE NEEDED:

Existing Drawings are LACKING

Existing Drawings are INACCURATE

When Working in 3-Dimensions (2-D Line Drawings Do NOT Cut it)

When **SAFETY** is a concern Scanning is done from a distance -  
NON-CONTACT

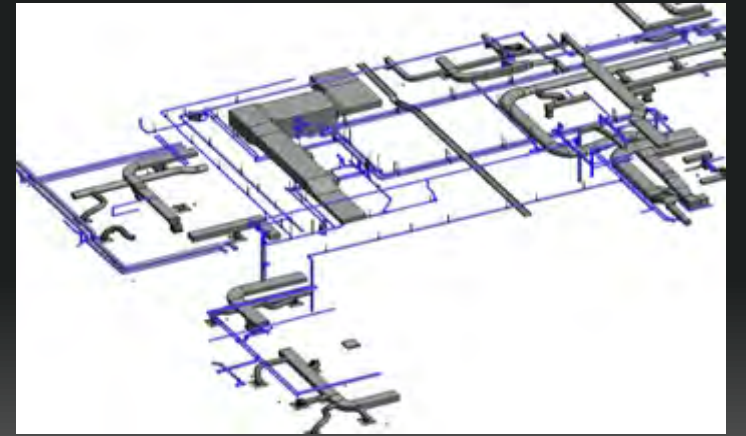


# WHEN ... Ex. - Identifying Conflicts



**Hospital – Cincinnati, OH**

**A predictable upfront effort & cost  
(laser scanning) – to avoid field conflicts  
& \$\$\$ during construction**







# When Plans are Lacking...

# CONCLUSION – LASER SCANNING

- 1 Broadly Applicable Technology**
- 2 Much more than a technological advancement of surveying**
- 3 Adoption in AEC sector is relatively nascent**
- 4 Barriers to utilization are going away**



# NOW WHAT?



REMOTE  
TOURS



VERIFICATION  
OF EXISTING  
DRAWINGS



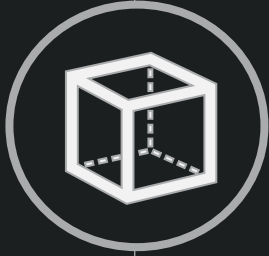
UNLIMITED  
VIRTUAL ACCESS  
(MAINTENANCE,  
OPERATIONS,  
ENGINEERING,  
CONTRACTORS)



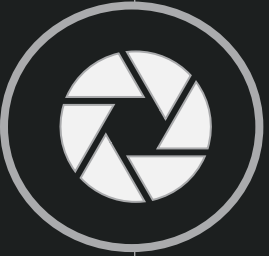
MODEL  
DEVELOPMENT



VIRTUAL  
REALITY



3D SCAN



LIDAR SCAN



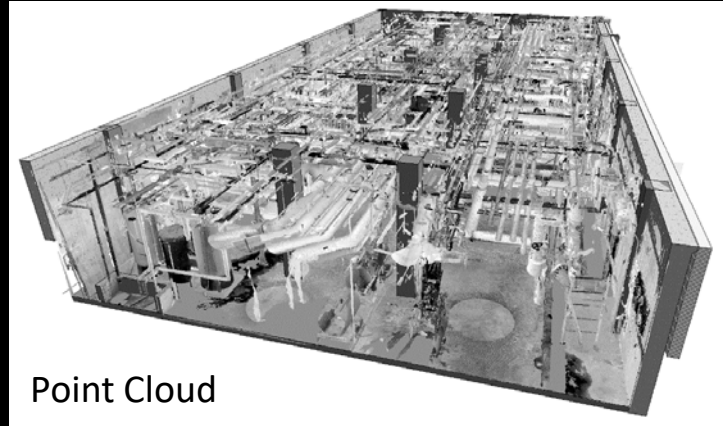
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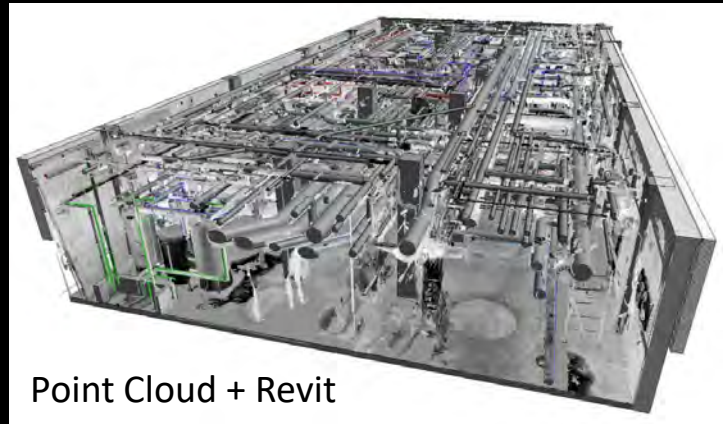
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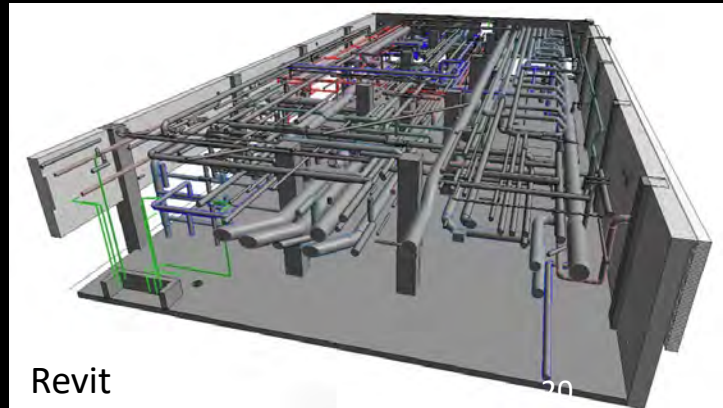
# Adding Pipes, Ducts and Conduit to Revit Models using Point Clouds



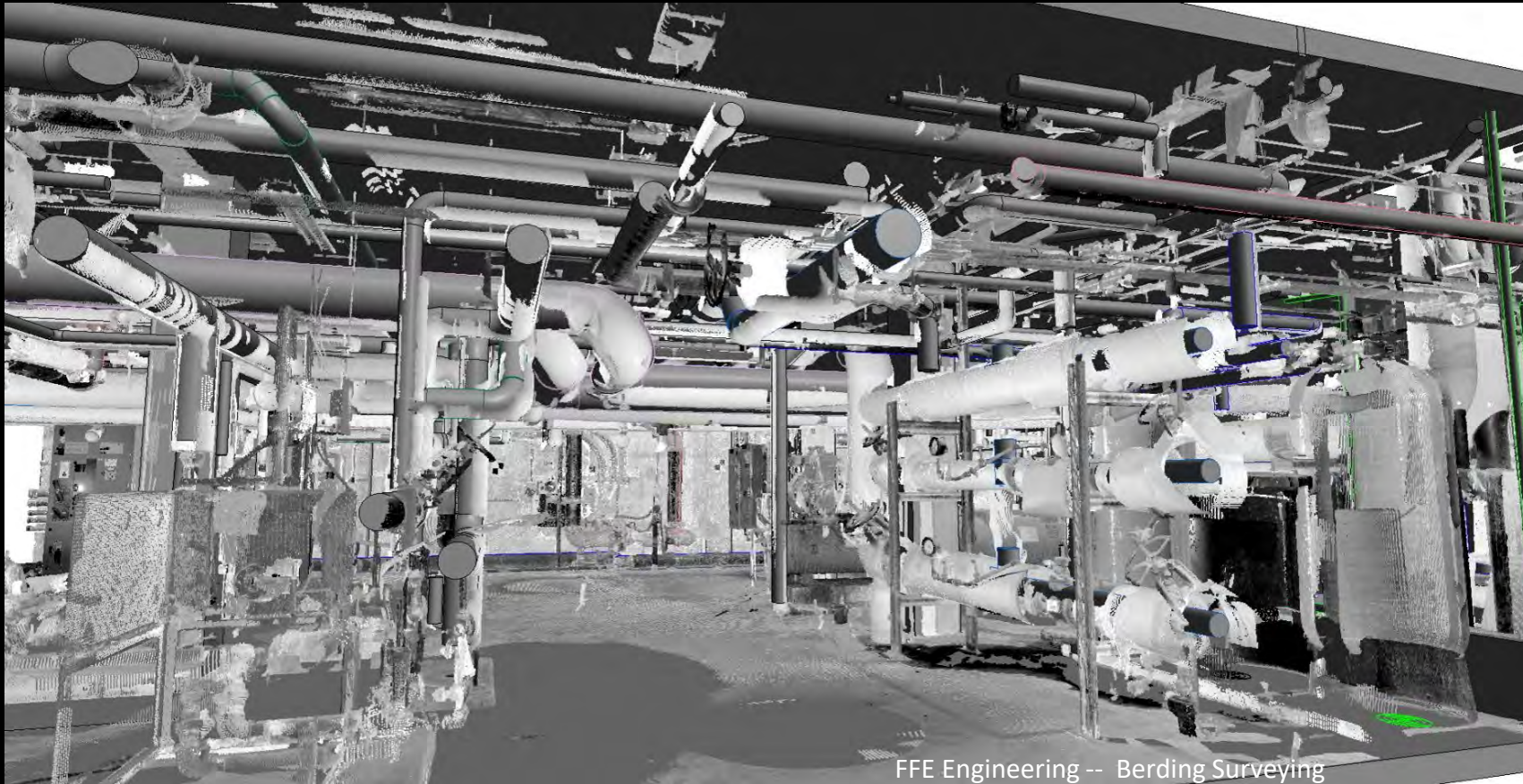
Point Cloud



Point Cloud + Revit

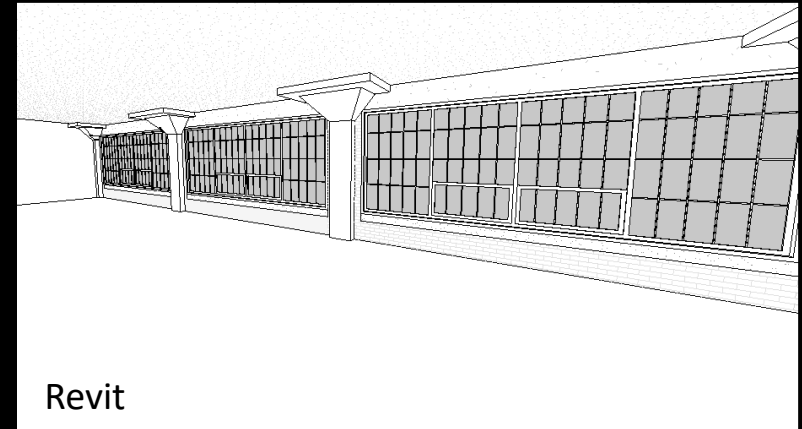
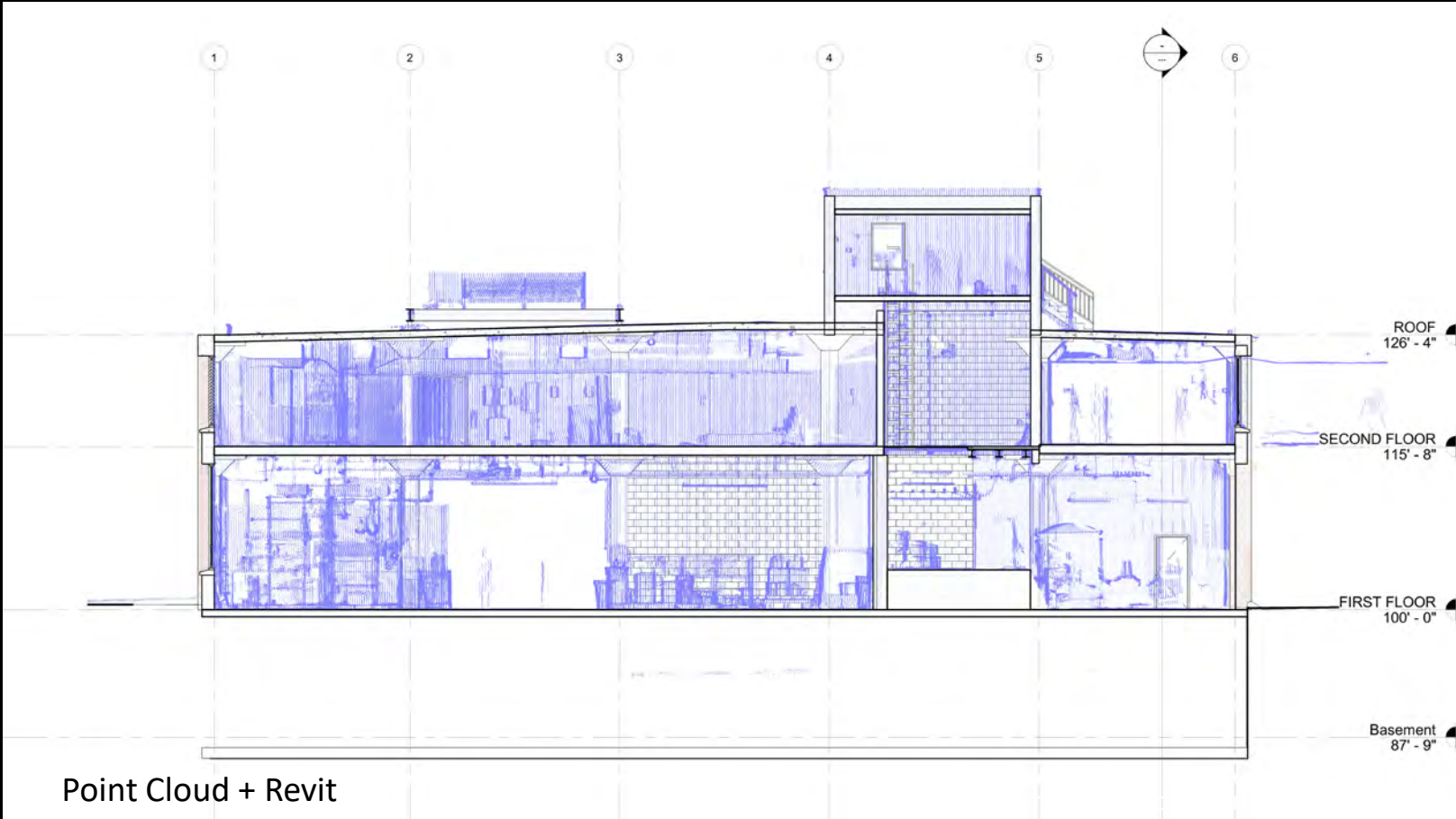


Revit





# Using Point Clouds to Model Architecture and Structure





# Real vs. Model



Google Earth



Point Cloud Built Revit Model + Enscape



# Real vs. Model



Site Photography



Point Cloud Built Revit Model + Enscape + Photoshop





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