



# ***METRIC AND QUALITATIVE EVALUATION OF QUICKBIRD ORTHOIMAGES FOR A LARGE SCALE GEODATABASE CREATION***

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# ***PRELIMINARY REMARKS***

## ***PREVIOUS RESEARCHES***

demonstrated that high resolution satellite imagery, such as QuickBird or Ikonos, could get to accuracy suitable to map updating up to 1:5000 scale, depending, basicly, on

- ✓ geometric correction model for orthorectification
- ✓ number, distribution and accuracy of Ground Control Points (GCPs) over the scene
- ✓ accuracy of DTM

....but....

geometric accuracy, even if evaluated over a large number of Check Points, is not sufficient to guarantee a correct detection and interpretation of objects in the image

# ***TOPICS***

## ***PURPOSE***

- ✓ EVALUATION ON DIFFERENT TEST SITES OF THE EFFECTIVE USE OF ORTHOIMAGES FOR CREATION OR UPDATING OF LARGE SCALE STRUCTURED GEODATABASE, PARTICULARLY ADDRESSED TO BUILDING DETECTION

## ***METHOD***

- ✓ IMAGE ANALYSIS AND ENHANCEMENT
- ✓ VECTORIZATION OF TEST SITES
- ✓ COMPARISON AMONG DIFFERENT VECTORIZATIONS
- ✓ GROUND INSPECTION AND RECONNAISSANCE
- ✓ FIELD SURVEYS

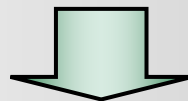
# ***LARGE SCALE GEODATABASE***

**Regione Emilia-Romagna**, first in Italy, started a project for a **1:5000 GeoDataBase** creation, that implies the updating of topographic data (i.e. raster Technical Map) of the whole region, their complete vectorization and the structuring of the data on the basis of national standards for GeoDataBase.

Three steps for the GeoDataBase creation: ‘modalità A’, ‘modalità B’, **‘modalità C’**.

## **MODALITÀ C**

- ✓ from 1:5000 analogic map to raster map
- ✓ from raster map to vector map
- ✓ **updating of vector map using high resolution satellita data (QuickBird) and integration with local data**
- ✓ creation of a structured object-GeoDataBase



**MAP BECOMES A PRODUCT OF THE GEODATABASE**



# LARGE SCALE GEODATABASE

## CONTENTS OF GEODATABASE

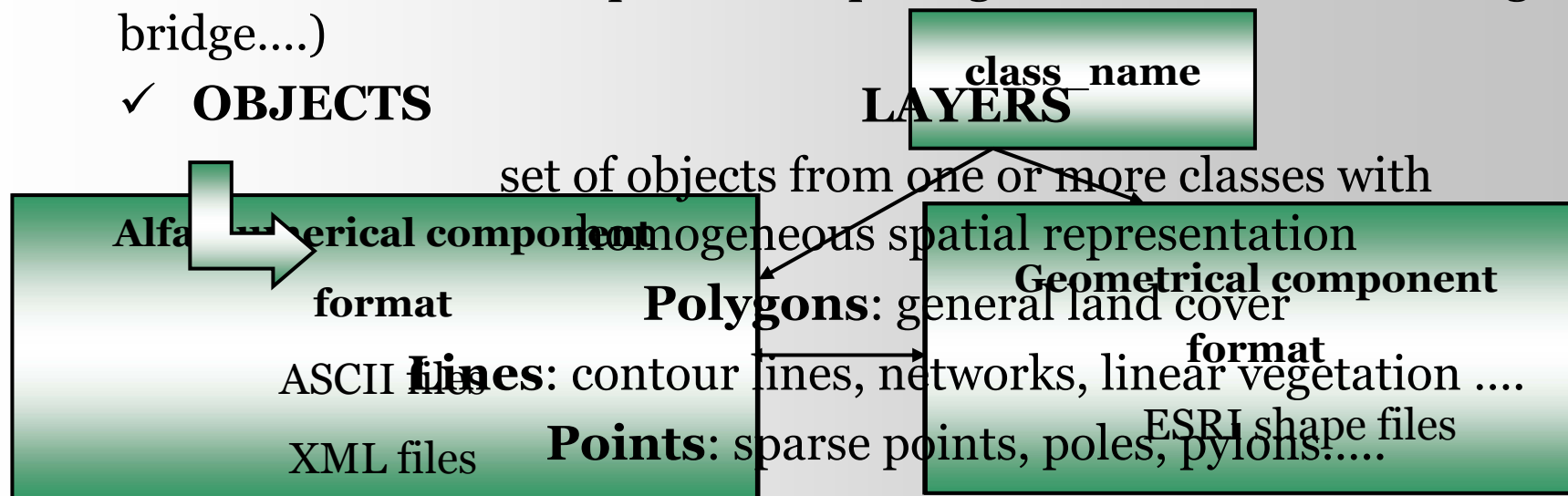
- ✓ Objects of reality (buildings, road, rivers...)
- ✓ Networks (road, drainage, electrical....)
- ✓ Altimetry (contour lines, points)
- ✓ Names
- ✓ Graphic elements for representation

## ORGANIZATION OF GEODATABASE

### ✓ CLASSES

(road circulation area, pedestrian passage area, wet area, building, bridge....)

### ✓ OBJECTS



# ***LARGE SCALE GEODATABASE***

## **TOLERANCES**

The DataBase geometrical component partially comes from the vectorization of Technical Map and must be useful to produce new maps of different themes at a scale 1:5000. For this reason, it must respect the rules for numerical maps at this scale. Particularly, in the frame of the use of high resolution QuickBird images for the map updating, it must respect more strict tolerances than those required for 'quick' updating of Technical Map.

Positional tolerance for traditional Technical Map:

$$0.4 \text{ mm} * \text{scale} = \mathbf{2 \text{ m}} \quad \text{at 1:5000 scale}$$

Positional tolerance for 'quick' updating of traditional Technical Map:

$$0.8 \text{ mm} * \text{scale} = \mathbf{4 \text{ m}} \quad \text{at 1:5000 scale}$$

Positional tolerance for 'quick' updating of Technical Map through satellite orthoimages:

$$\mathbf{3 \text{ m}}$$

# ***TEST SITE LOCATION***

Castenaso – Bologna, Northern Italy

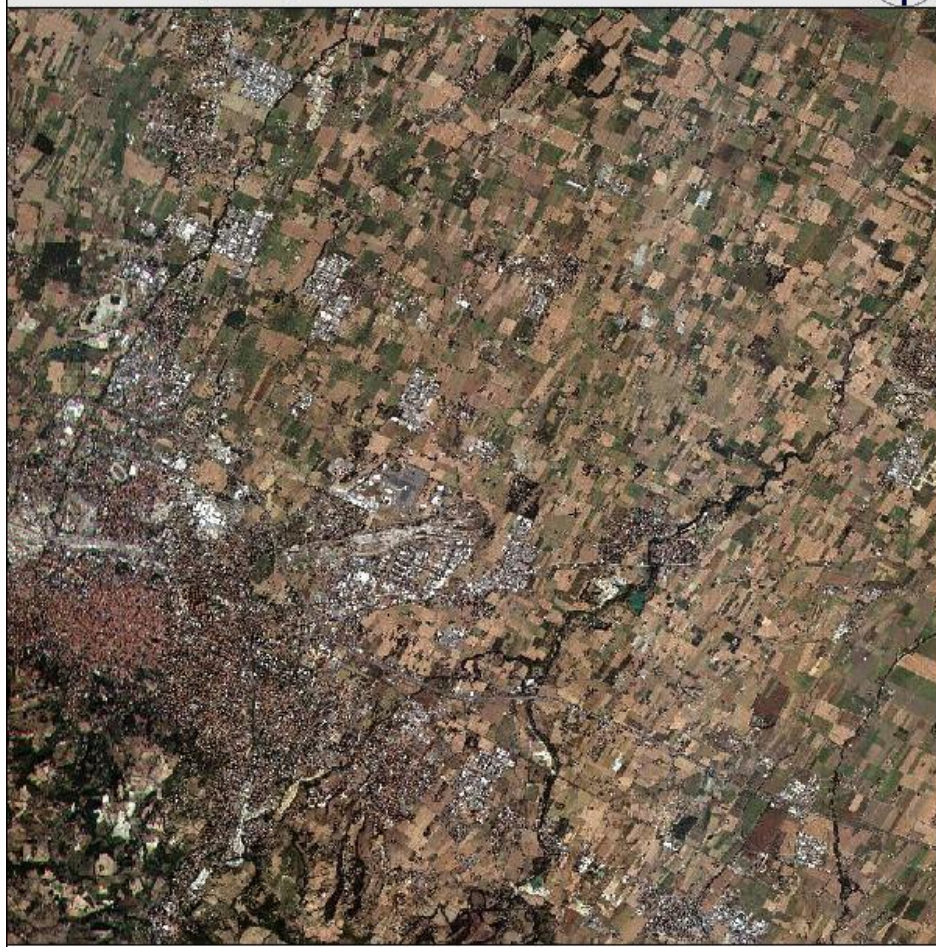




# QUICKBIRD IMAGE

Catalog ID: **10100100021F5205** Acq Date: **Jul, 22 2003** Lat/Long: **44.51422° / 11.42722°**

Off Nadir Angle: **6°** Target Azimuth: **81°** Cloud Cover: **0%** Environmental Quality: **90**



## IMAGE METADATA

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>ACQUISITION DATE</b>      | 2003-07-22     |
| <b>CLOUD COVER</b>           | 0%             |
| <b>PAN RESOLUTION</b>        | 0.62 meters    |
| <b>ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY</b> | 90 - Excellent |
| <b>OFF-NADIR</b>             | 6°             |
| <b>SUN AZIMUTH</b>           | ≈ 140°         |
| <b>SUN ELEVATION</b>         | ≈ 62°          |

## IMAGE PRICE

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| <b>BASIC</b><br><b>(1 PAN layer + 4 MS layers)</b> | 4800 € |
| <b>ORTHORECTIFICATION</b><br><b>+ DATAFUSION</b>   | 2400 € |



# QUICKBIRD ORTHOIMAGES

## 6 PANCHROMATIC ORTHOIMAGES

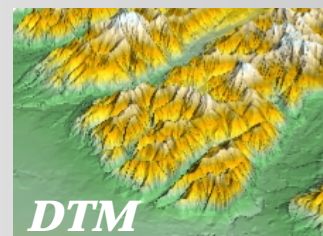
GSD 70 cm

UTM ED50

Gauss-Boaga National Grid System

Cut along Technical Scale Map  
1:5000 (CTR5) extents

Certified Accuracy:  $< \pm 4$  m compared  
with CTR 1:5000



from CTR 1:5000  
UTM ED50

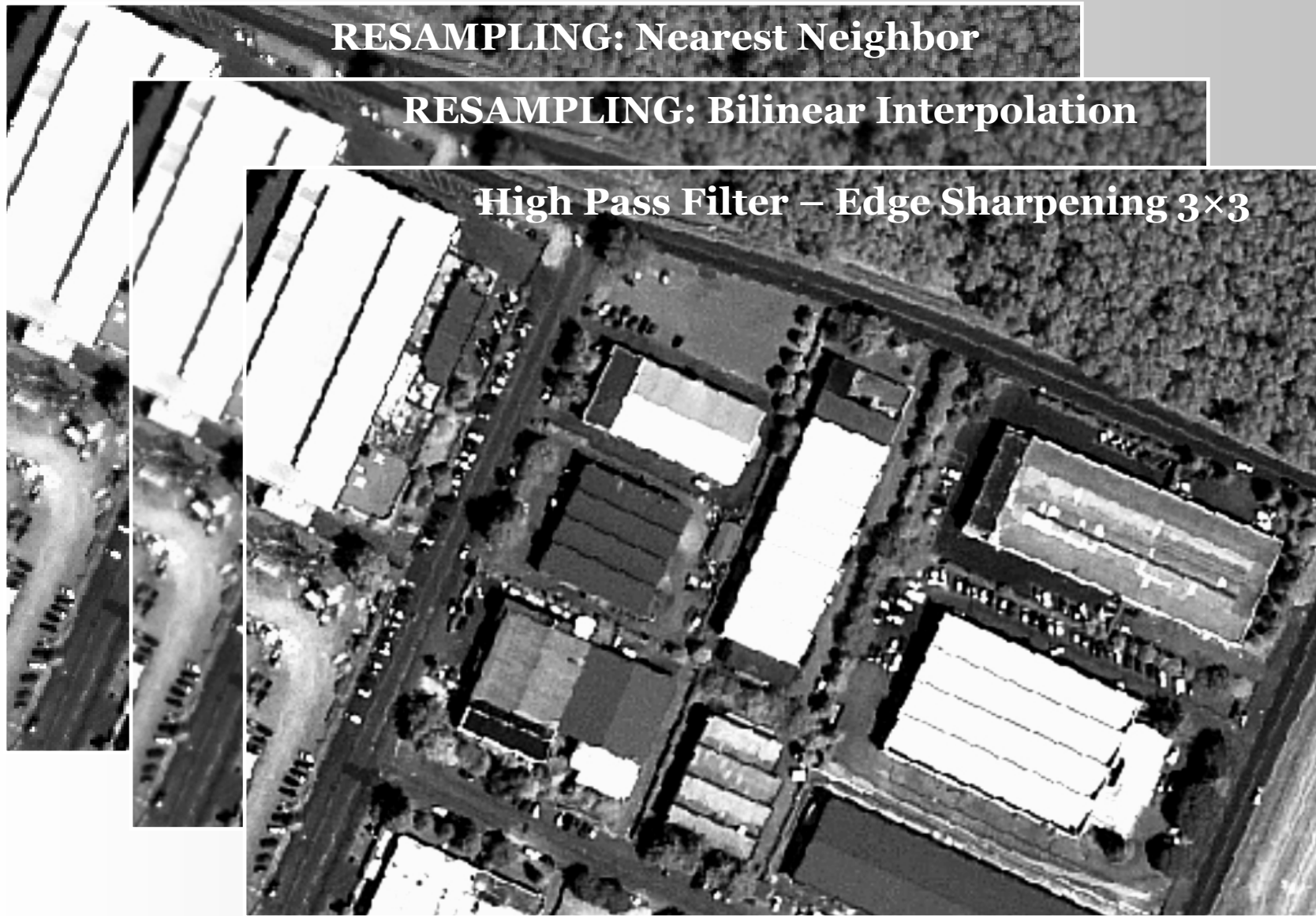
Geometric correction model: ?  
GCP: ?  
Software: ?

# IMAGE ENHANCEMENT

**RESAMPLING: Nearest Neighbor**

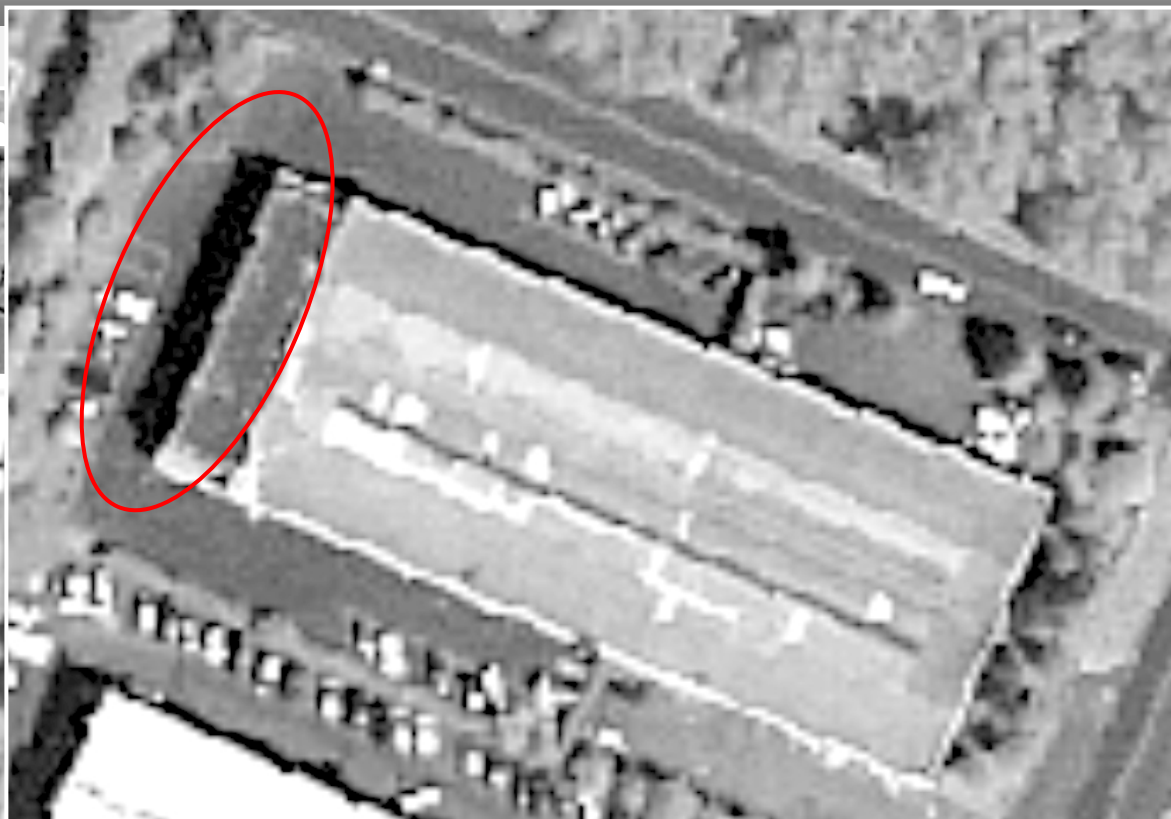
**RESAMPLING: Bilinear Interpolation**

**High Pass Filter – Edge Sharpening  $3 \times 3$**





# ***SHADOWS***



**SUN AZIMUT**  
**SUN ELEVAT**



# IMAGE VECTORIZATION – 1

## PANCHROMATIC IMAGE

2 industrial areas —————> 43 buildings

1 urban area —————>

Scale



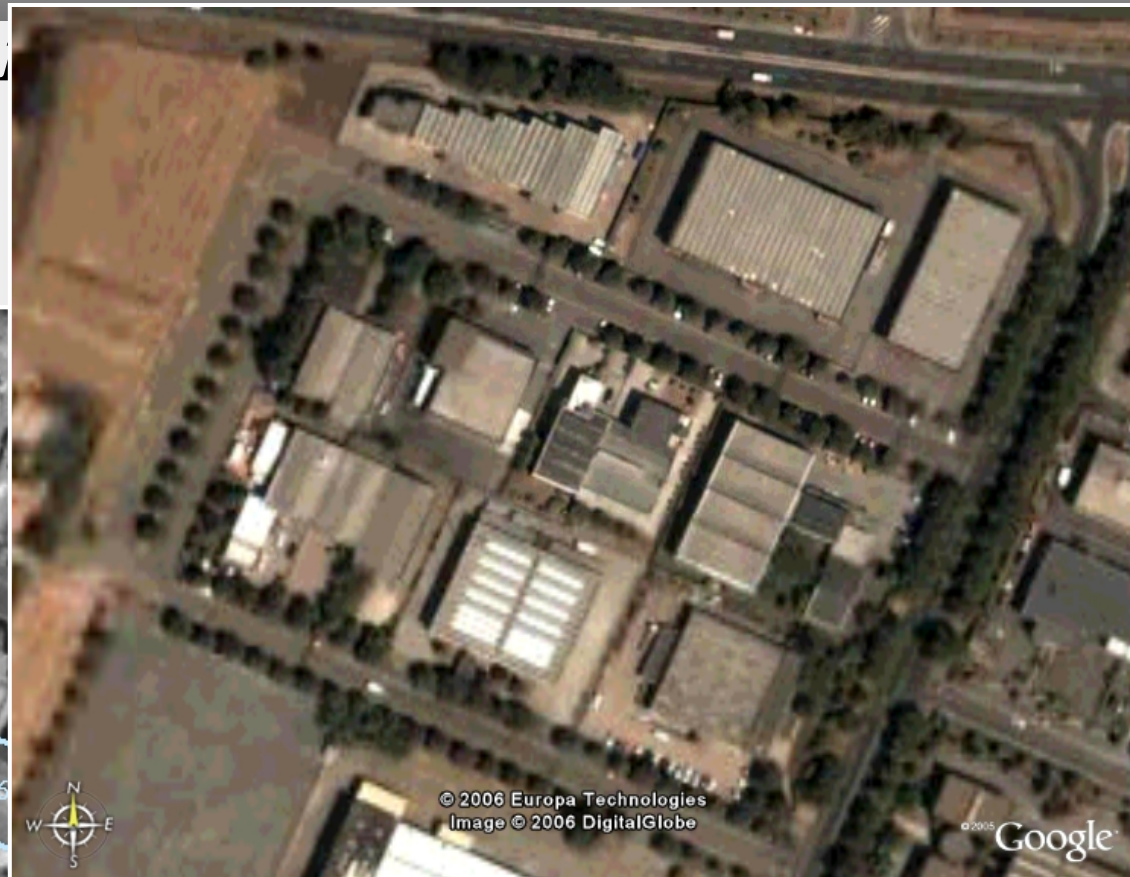
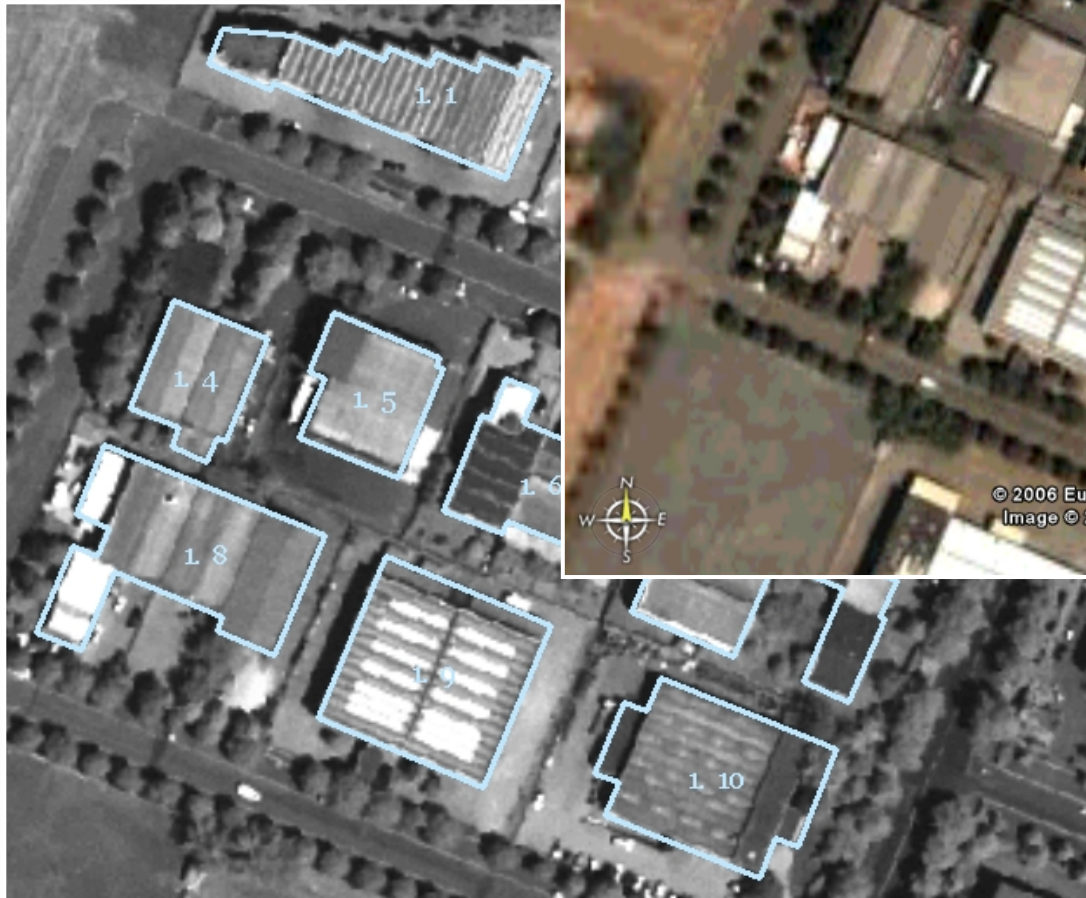
# IMAGE VECTORIZATION – 2

## **PANCHROMATIC**

2 industrial areas

1 urban area

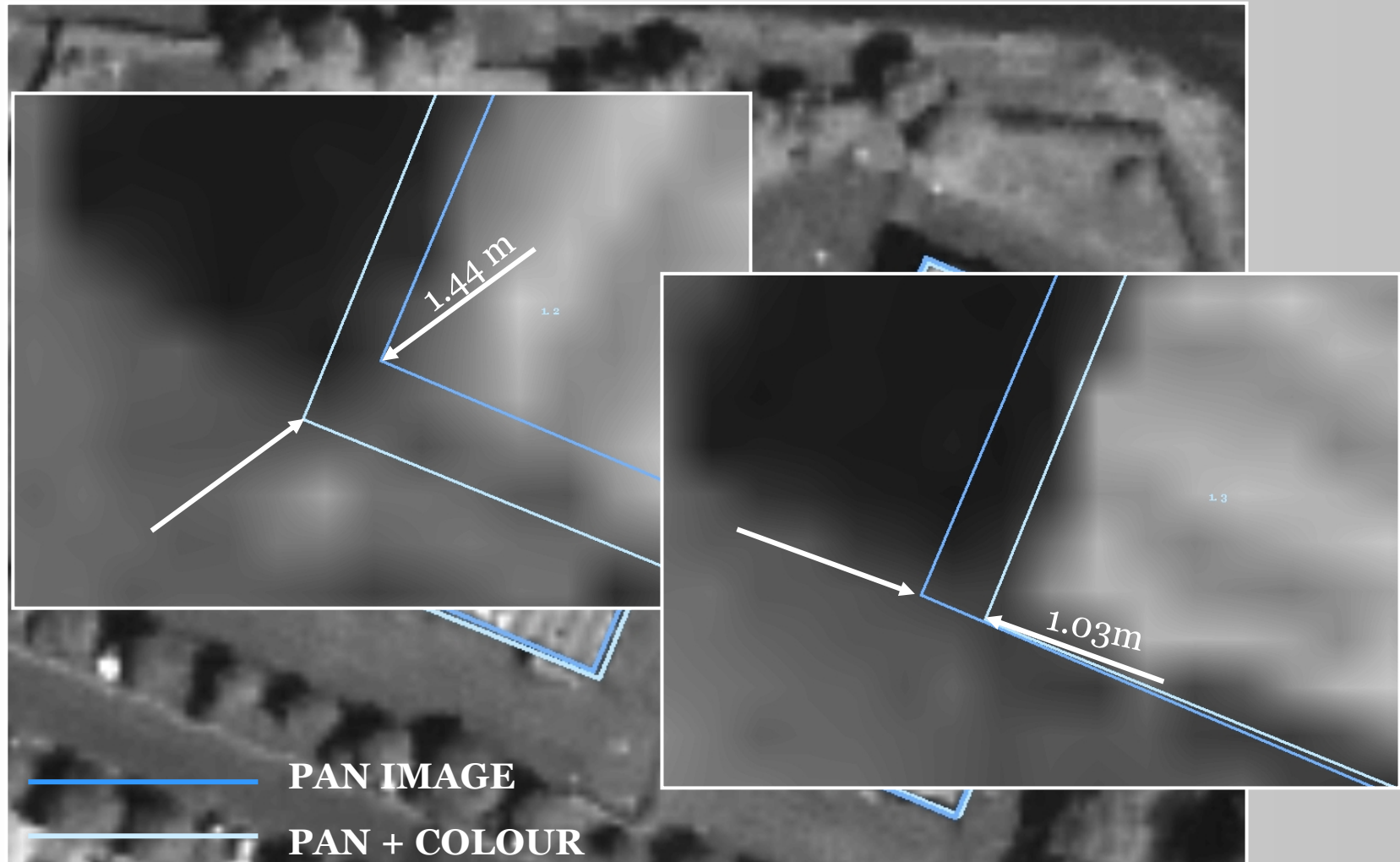
Scale 1:500 – 1:300





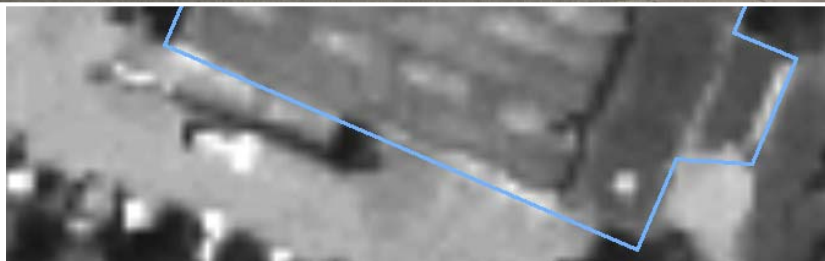
# COMPARISON OF VECTORIZATION

## INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS - SIMPLE GEOMETRY



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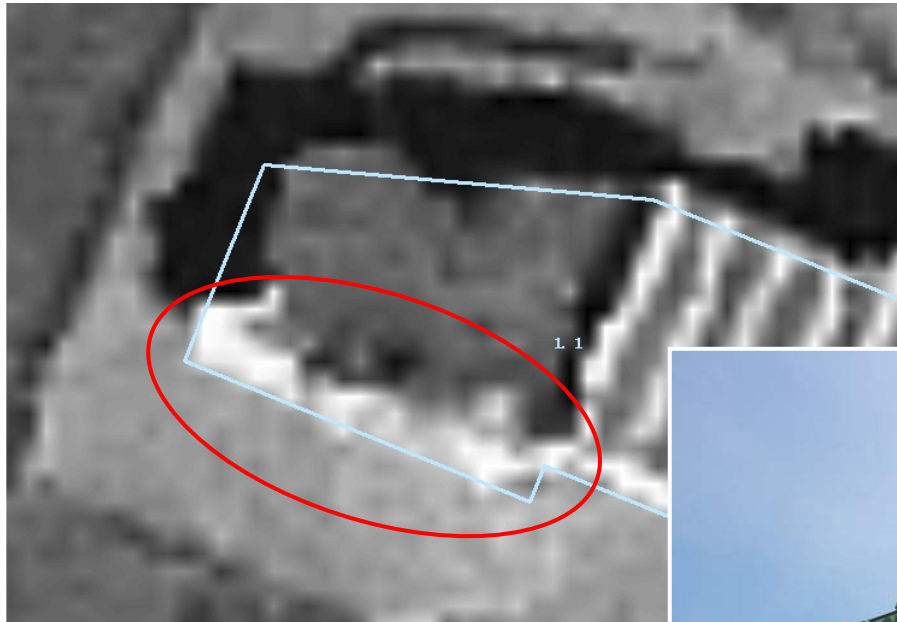
## INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS



-  PAN IMAGE
-  PAN + COLOUR

# QUALITATIVE ACCURACY

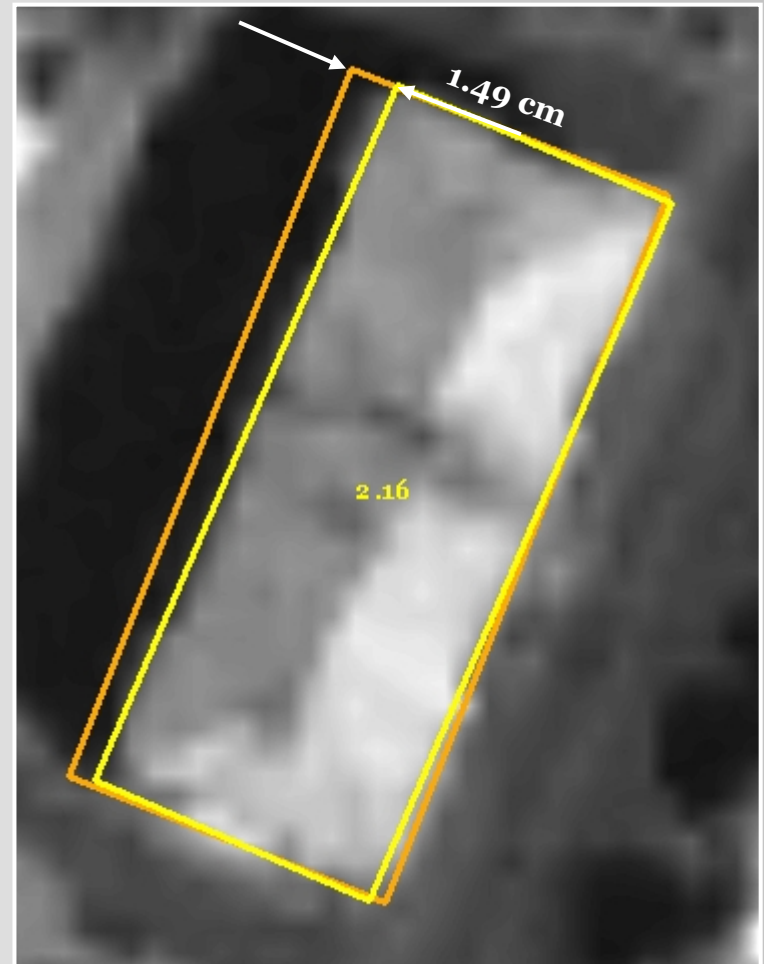
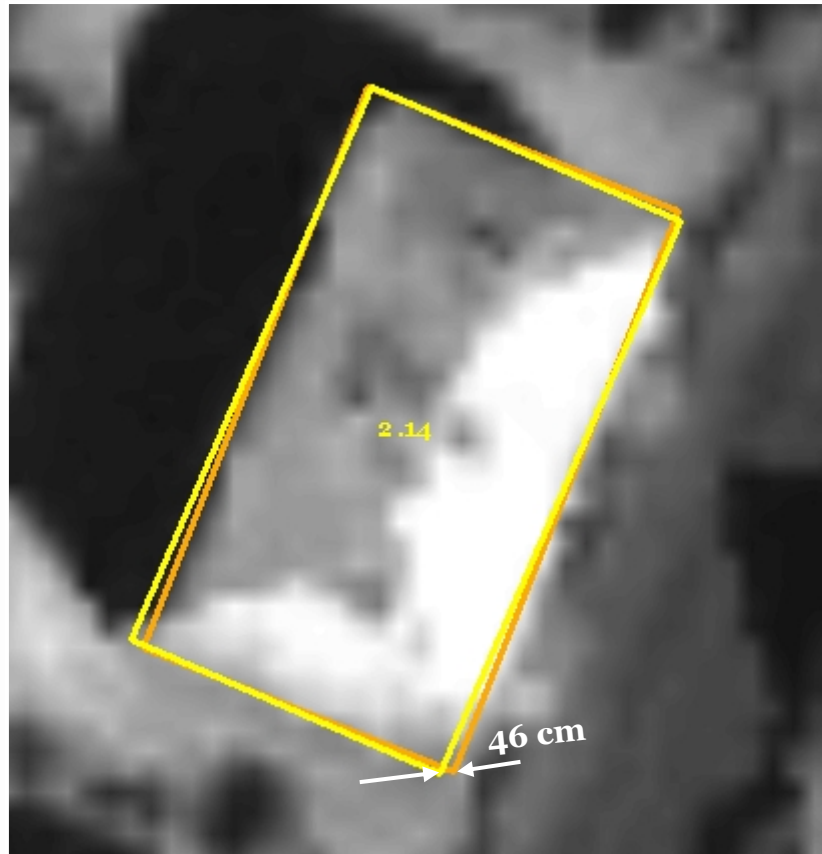
## INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS





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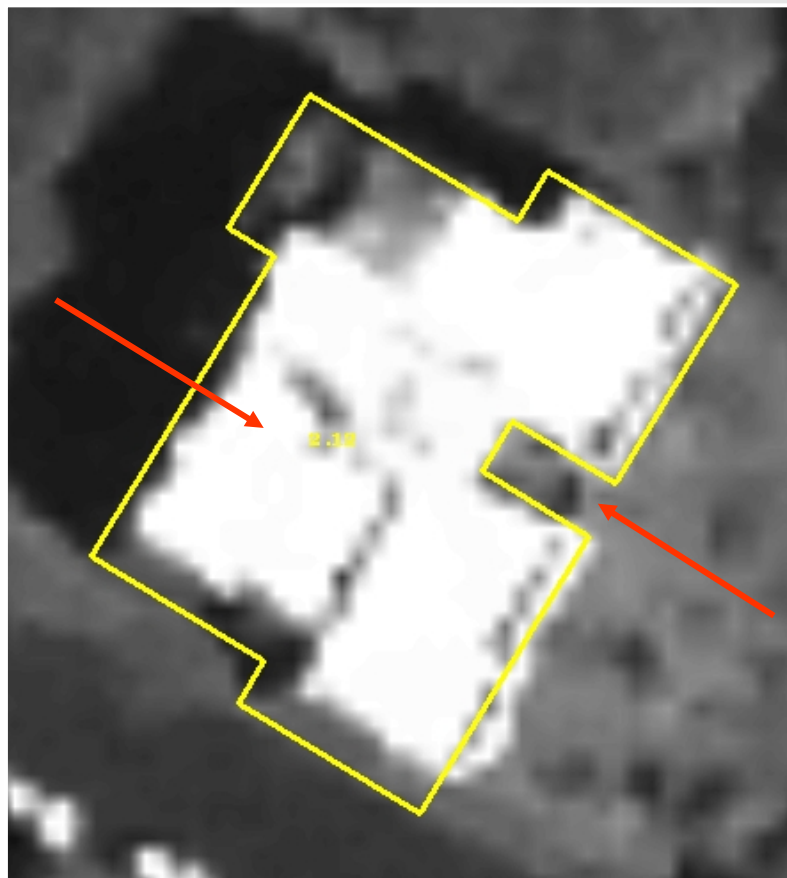
## URBAN BUILDINGS – SIMPLE GEOMETRY



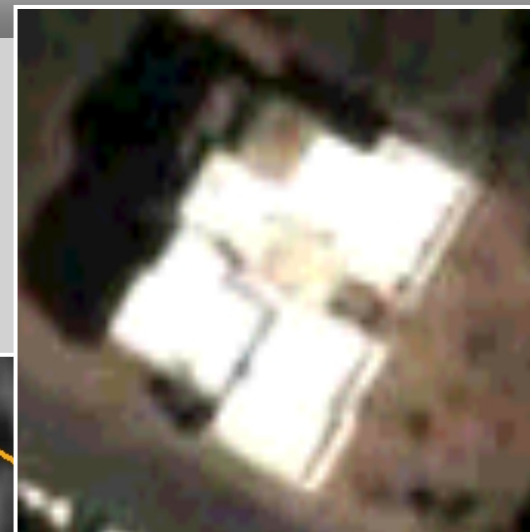
- PAN IMAGE
- PAN + COLOUR

# COMPARISON OF VECTORIZATION

## URBAN BUILDINGS COMPLEX GEOMETRY



-  PAN IMAGE
-  PAN + COLOUR





# ***GROUND INSPECTION***

## ***URBAN BUILDINGS***



# COMPARISON OF VECTORIZATION

|                     | PAN IMAGE |            | PAN +COLOUR |            |
|---------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|
|                     | Urban     | Industrial | Urban       | Industrial |
| Number of buildings | 40        | 43         | 39          | 43         |

| SHAPE DIFFERENCES | Urban               |      | Industrial          |      |
|-------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------|------|
|                   | Number of buildings | %    | Number of buildings | %    |
|                   | 25                  | 64.1 | 21                  | 48.8 |

## COMPARISON BETWEEN COORDINATES OF CORNERS

|                  | Urban     |            |           | Industrial |            |           |
|------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Number of points | 226       |            |           | 342        |            |           |
|                  | D_EST (m) | D_NORD (m) | Delta (m) | D_EST (m)  | D_NORD (m) | Delta (m) |
| Mean             | -0.08     | 0.11       | 0.65      | 0.00       | 0.16       | 0.62      |
| RMS              | 0.61      | 0.44       | 0.39      | 0.48       | 0.53       | 0.39      |
| Max              | 1.45      | 1.22       | 1.84      | 1.48       | 2.08       | 2.18      |
| Min              | -1.76     | -1.49      | 0.03      | -1.20      | -1.19      | 0.03      |

# IMAGE VECTORIZATION – 3

## VECTORIZATION REPEATABILITY – PAN IMAGE

|                     | VECT 1 |            | VECT 2 |            |
|---------------------|--------|------------|--------|------------|
|                     | Urban  | Industrial | Urban  | Industrial |
| Number of buildings | 40     | 43         | 40     | 43         |

| SHAPE DIFFERENCES | Urban               |    | Industrial          |      |
|-------------------|---------------------|----|---------------------|------|
|                   | Number of buildings | %  | Number of buildings | %    |
|                   | 14                  | 35 | 15                  | 34.9 |

VECT1

VECT2



VECT1

VECT2



# FIELD SURVEY

## Field survey in the industrial area

**INSTRUMENT:** SmartStation Leica (Total station + GPS)

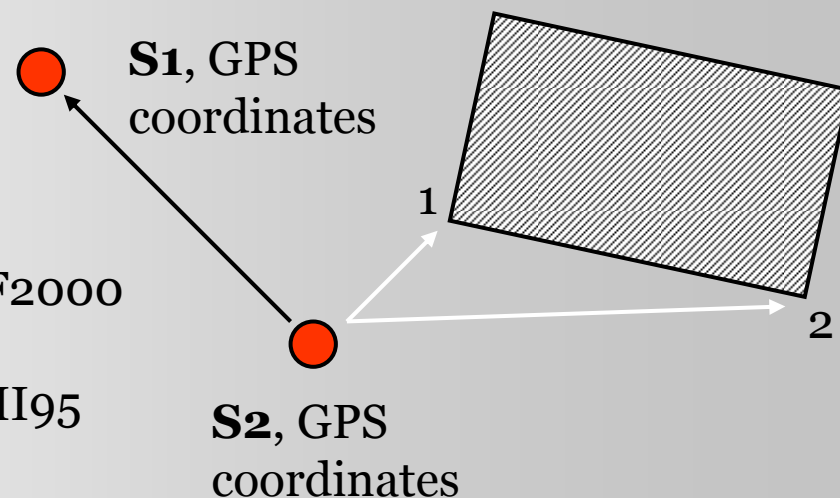
### SURVEY METHOD:

Position of two GPS receivers on S1 and S2 station from Network RTK

Bearing of second station to the first one

Survey by total station and traverses from second station

**SURVEYED POINTS:** buildings corners, without prism



**SURVEY COORDINATES:** WGS84-ITRF2000

**COORDINATES TRANSFORMATION:**

from WGS84-ITRF2000 to WGS84-IGMI95

from WGS84-IGMI95 to GaussBoaga

# ***GROUND SURVEYS***



- Stations
- Surveyed points

# ***METRIC ACCURACY***

**Comparison between coordinates of surveyed points and  
coordinates of correspondent vectorized corners**

|             | PAN IMAGE           |                      |              | PAN +COLOUR         |                      |              |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|
|             | Delta<br>EST<br>(m) | Delta<br>NORD<br>(m) | Delta<br>(m) | Delta<br>EST<br>(m) | Delta<br>NORD<br>(m) | Delta<br>(m) |
| <b>Mean</b> | -0.95               | -0.41                | 1.20         | -0.93               | -0.16                | 1.29         |
| <b>RMS</b>  | 0.64                | 0.54                 | 0.58         | 0.73                | 0.70                 | 0.48         |
| <b>Max</b>  | 0.43                | 0.64                 | 2.61         | 1.44                | 1.85                 | 2.11         |
| <b>Min</b>  | -2.58               | -1.54                | 0.22         | -1.80               | -1.27                | 0.19         |

# ***CONCLUSIONS***

- Geocoding and orthoprojection of supplied orthoimages result correct
- Analysis of geometrical accuracy proved that orthoimages could be used for 1:5000 – 1:10000 technical scale map updating: accuracy is always within fixed tolerances
- the use of panchromatic images is not sufficient for a correct detection and interpretation of objects and their shape: the use of projected orthoimages generated by data fusion is very expensive but it is not possible a correct photo-interpretation process without the information from colour
- field survey and integration can be performed in an economic and accurate mode through the combined use of GNSS receivers and total station, using NRTK network