

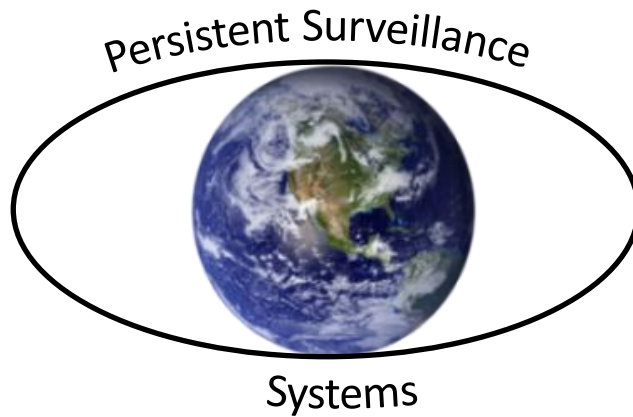
# Wide Area Motion Imagery Technical Overview

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# Technical Aspects of Wide Area Surveillance

- Pixels, Pixels, and more Pixels
- Coverage
  - Look Angles, Orbits, and Altitude
- Georectification and Orthorectification
  - Elevation Maps, Camera Models, and IMUs
- Data, Data, and more Data
  - Compression
  - Data Links
  - Data Storage
- Color Images



# Pixels, Pixels, and More Pixels

Resolution and Area



# PSS Wide Area Surveillance

How many cameras would it take to cover this areas?

Indianapolis Downtown





# Megapixels Our Experts

- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9r7BUzKMGY&feature=related>
- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R0PM5sZQztg&NR=1>



# Resolution

- Pixels
- Resolution
- Ground Sampling Distance (GSD)

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# Samples of Pixels

Typical Security Camera	320 x 240	0.08 MP
Standard TV	640 x 480	0.31 MP
HD TV 720P	1280 x 720	0.92 MP
HD 1080	1920 x 1080	2.07 MP
Digital Cinema 2K	2048 x 1080	2.21 MP
Imax Digital Cinema 4k	4096 x 2160	8.84 MP
PSS Hawkeye		99 MP
PSS Hawkeye II		192 MP



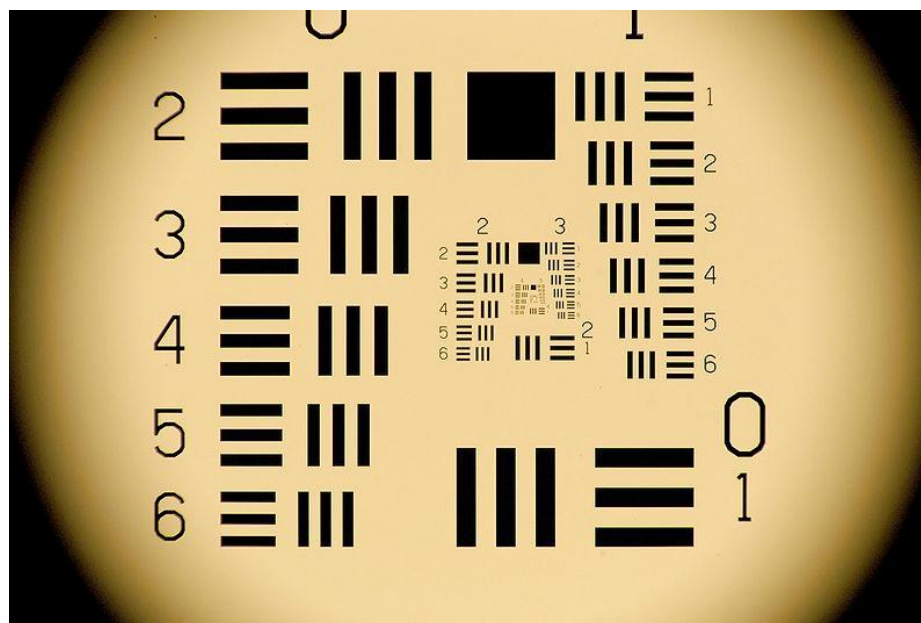
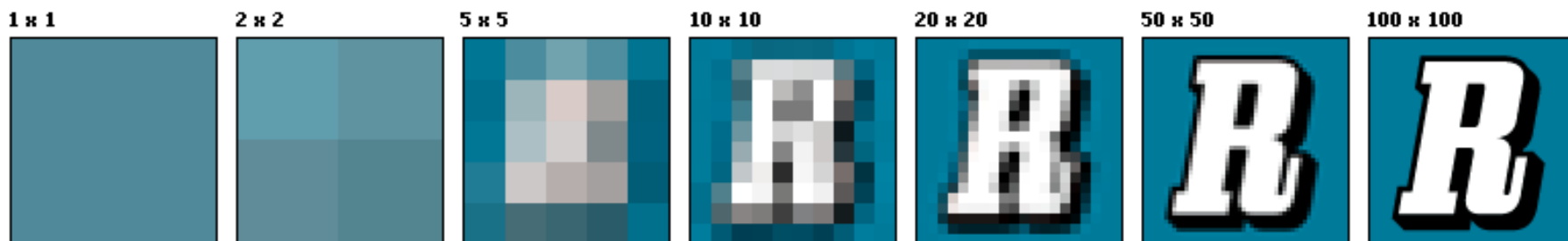
# GSD

**Ground Sample Distance (GSD)** is the spacing of areas represented by each pixel in a digital photo (such as an orthophoto) of the ground from air or space. For example, in an image with a one-metre GSD, each pixel represents a ground area of 1 square metre.<sup>[1]</sup> GSD is a measure of one limitation to image resolution, that is, the limitation due to sampling.<sup>[2]</sup>

Google and or PSS Example



# Resolution Required





# Our Resolution Objectives

- Be able to track humans from areas of interest to vehicles
- Be able to track vehicles from areas of interest to place of origin and place of destination
- Maximize coverage area



# NIIRS

## National Image Interpretability Rating Scales

NIIRS 1	> 9 meters	Ports and Runways
NIIRS 2	4.5 to 9	Large Hangers
NIIRS 3	2.5 to 4.5	Large Aircraft Wing Configuration
NIIRS 4	1.2 to 2.5	Identify Fighters
NIIRS 5	.75 to 1.2	Identify radar as vehicle mounted
NIIRS 6	.4 to .75	Identify Spare tire on truck
NIIRS 7	.2 to .4	detect details of the silo door hinges
NIIRS 8	.1 to .2	Identify rivet lines on Bombers
NIIRS 9	less than .1	Distinguish screw heads on AC skin

Track a Car

Track a Human

Mouse 83.00/248.00

- Map Layer
- PSS Image
- Tracking
- Stabilization
- Effect

# Event Locations 27 Feb 10





## Part I Crime

# Victim Shot at 13:40:42 - 27 Feb 2010



# Victim Shot at 13:56:16 – 27 Feb 10



Shot of actual shooter, victim and getaway car  
Accomplice car 2 (left) also shown waiting around the corner



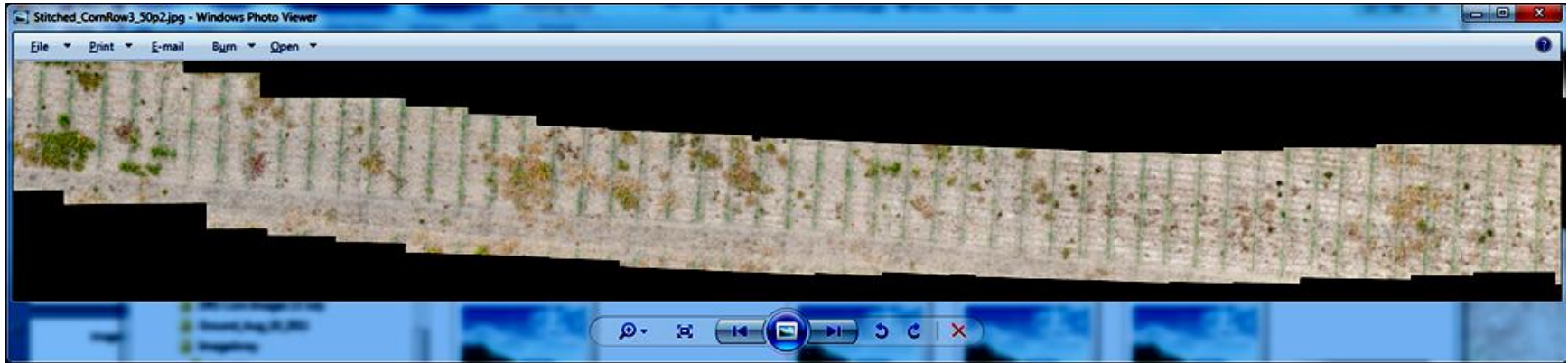
# Not Our Resolution Objectives

- Identify vehicles specific type of vehicle
  - 6 inch resolution
- Read License Plates
  - 3 cm resolution - wrong look angle
- Identify people
  - 1 cm resolution
- Determine if someone is armed
  - 2 cm resolution
- If I had more pixels would want to cover more area
- Use secondary higher resolution systems





# Stitched 200mm Imagery



Sample Stitching



Sample Seams



Sample Resolution





13:48:57

Mouse 528.00/399.00

- Map Layer
- PSS Image
- Tracking
- Motion Detect
- Motion Alarm
- Layers
- Effects



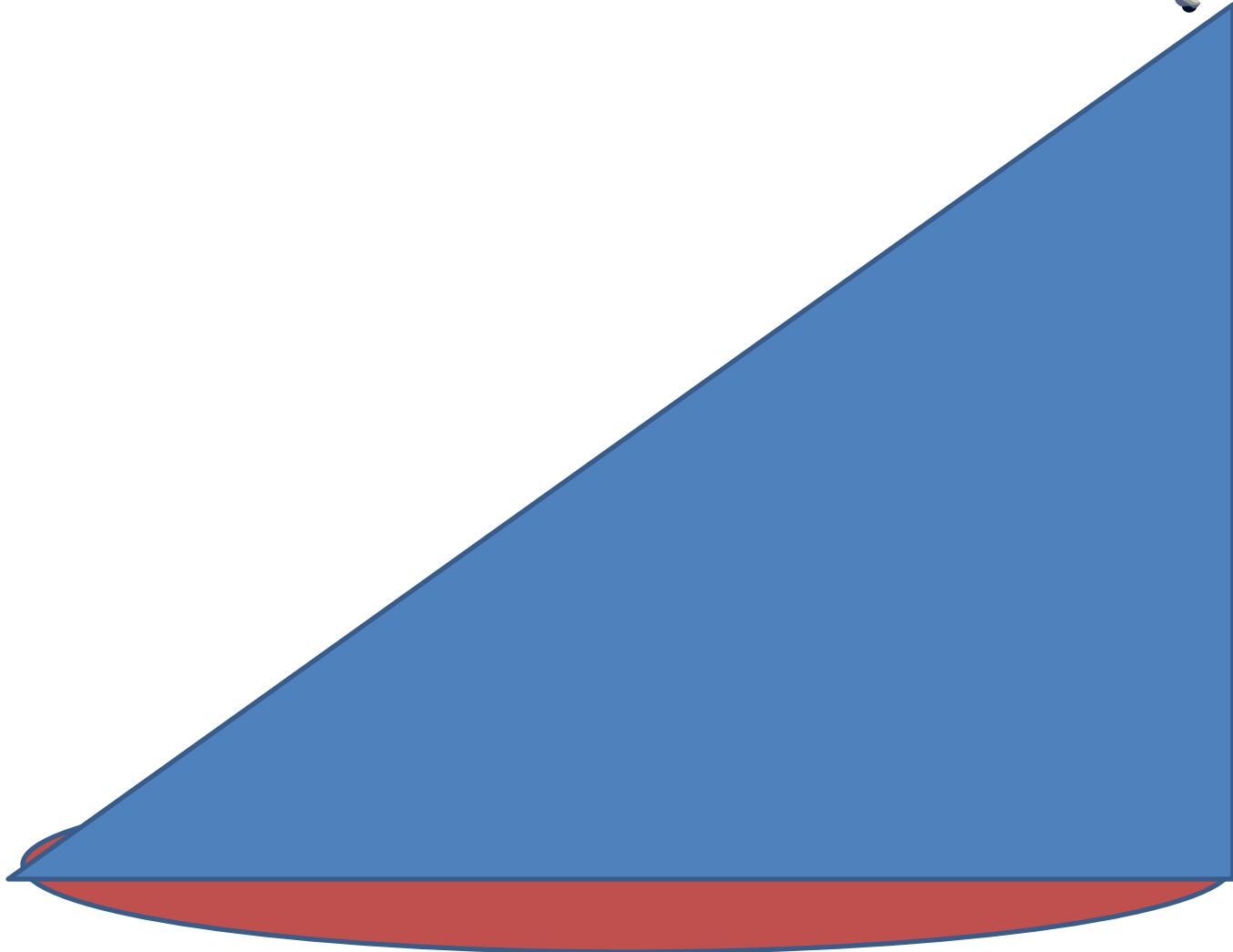
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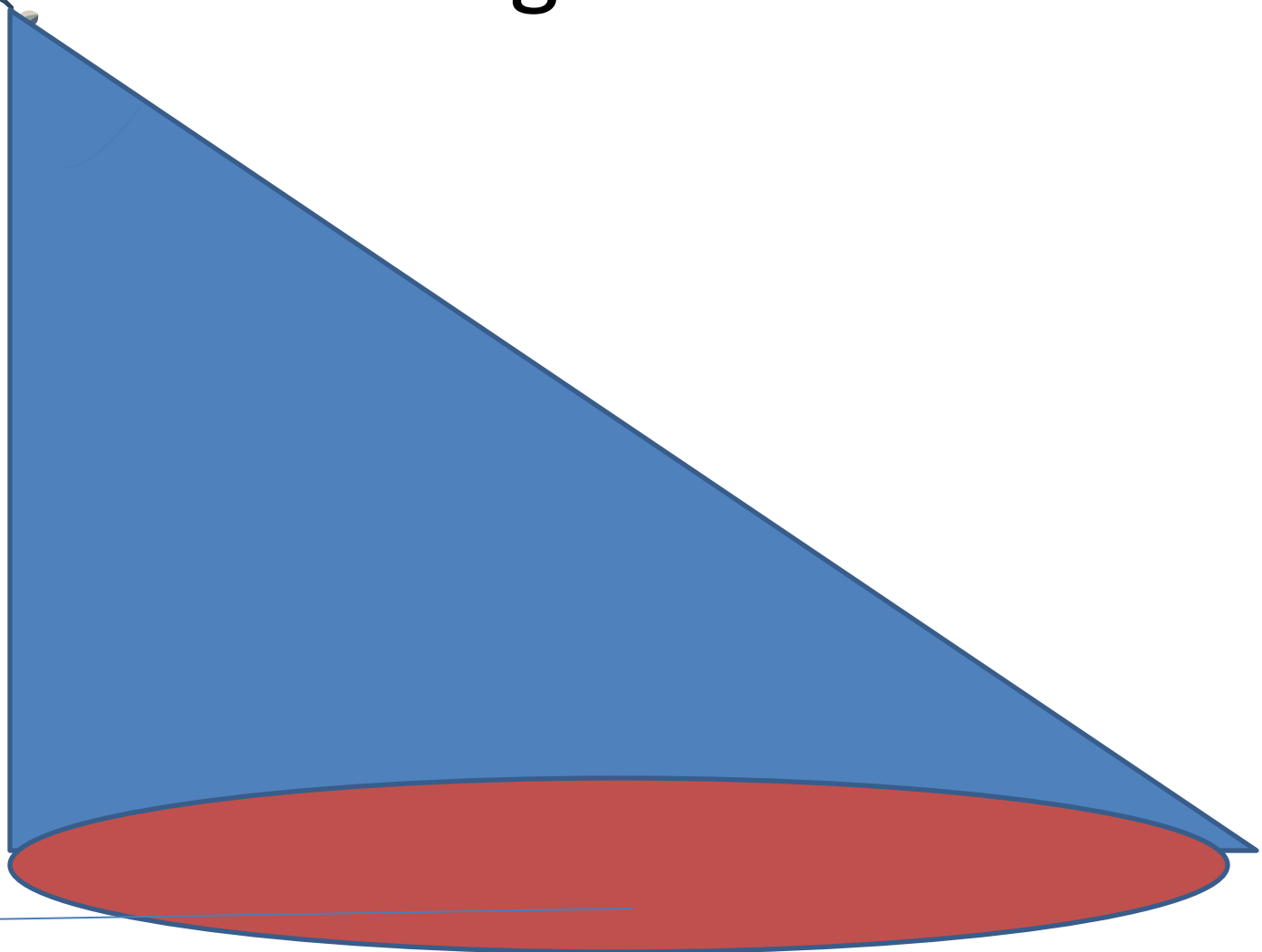


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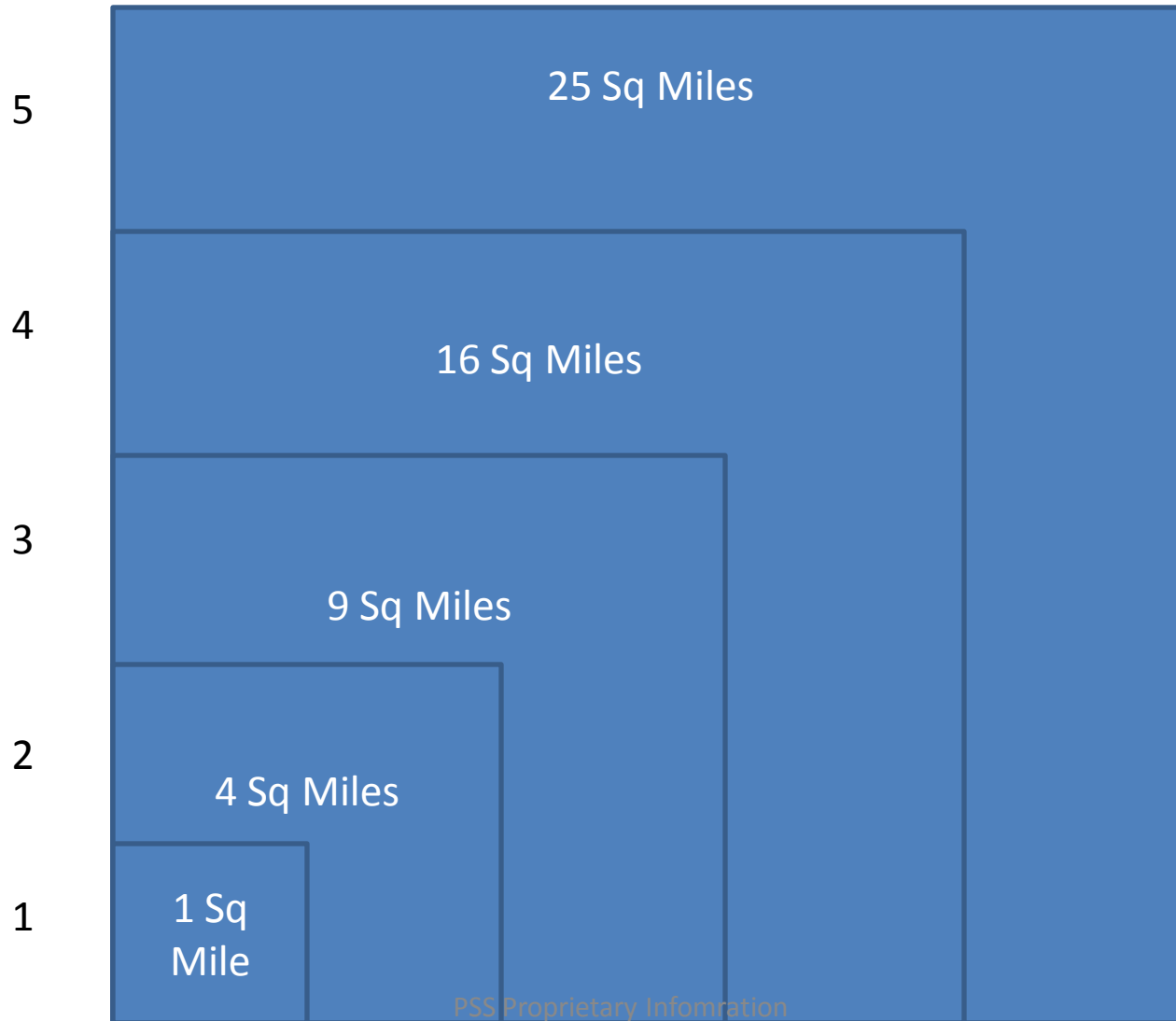


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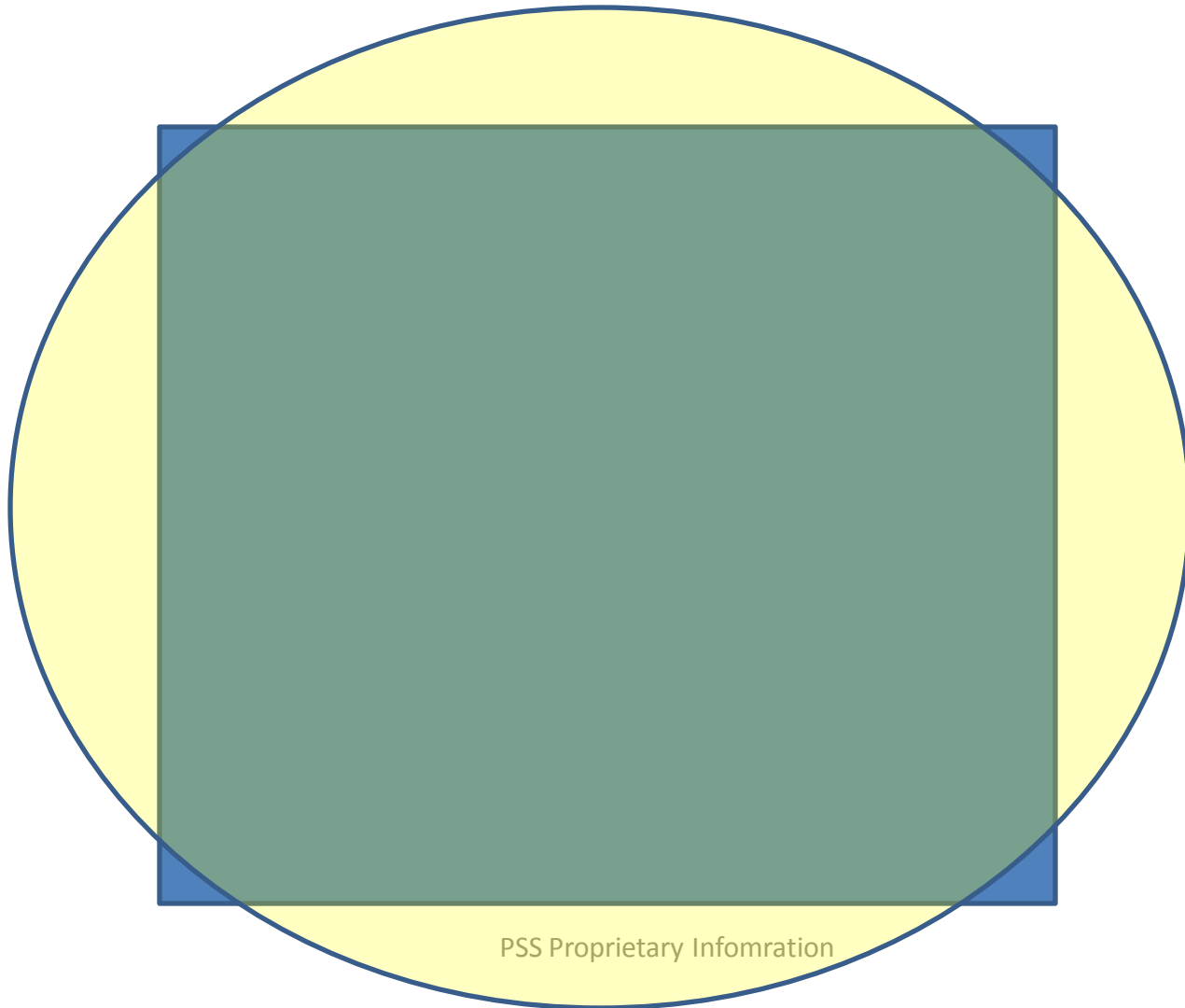
# Resolution and Area

## 1 Square Mile

		1 yard	1 foot	6 inches	3 inches	1 inch	.5 inch	.25 inch	
Feet		5280	3	1	0.5	0.25	0.083333333	0.041666667	0.020833333
	5280		1760	5280	10560	21120	63360	126720	25344
1 yard	3	1760	3,097,600	9,292,800	18,585,600	37,171,200	111,513,600	223,027,200	446,054,400
1 foot	1	5280	9,292,800	27,878,400	55,756,800	111,513,600	334,540,800	669,081,600	1,338,163,200
6 inchs	0.50	10560	18,585,600	55,756,800	111,513,600	223,027,200	669,081,600	1,338,163,200	2,676,326,400
3 inches	0.25	21120	37,171,200	111,513,600	223,027,200	446,054,400	1,338,163,200	2,676,326,400	5,352,652,800
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.25 inch	0.02083	253440	446,054,400	1,338,163,200	2,676,326,400	5,352,652,800	16,057,958,400	32,115,916,800	64,231,833,600



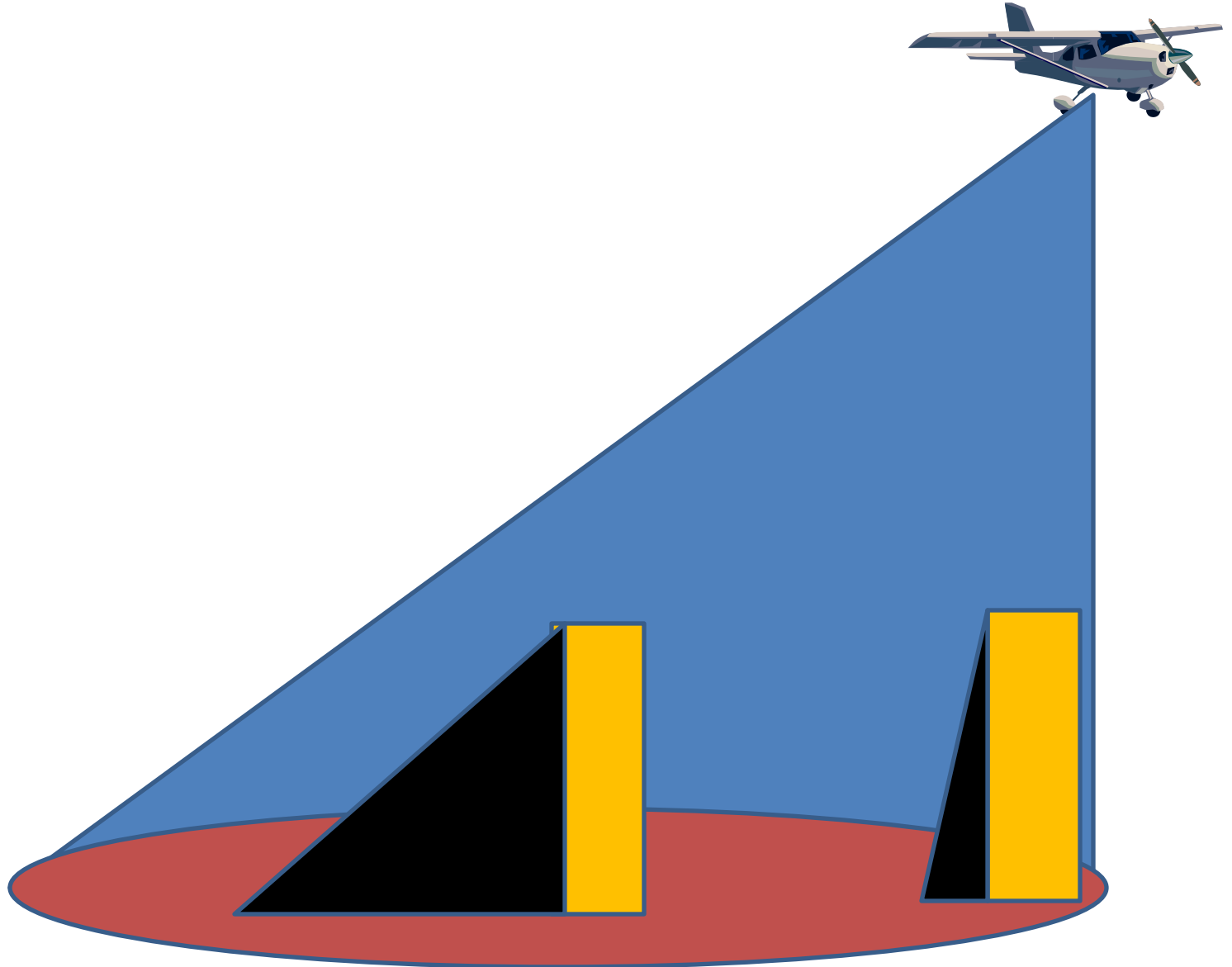
# Continuous Coverage Area



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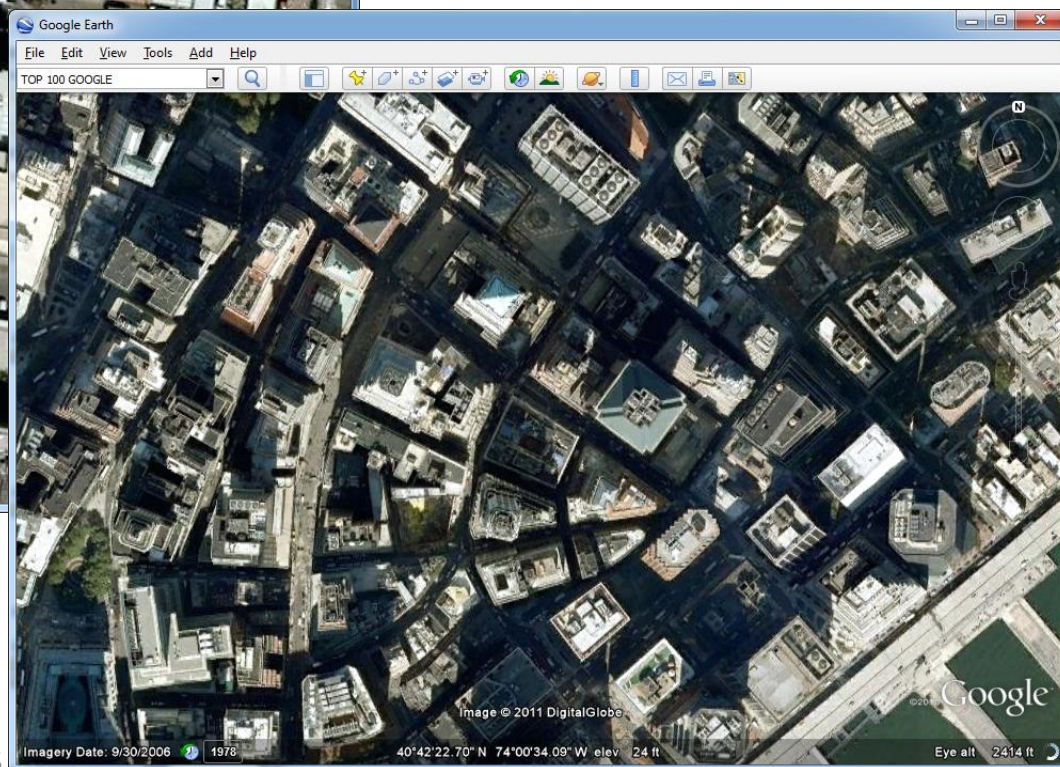
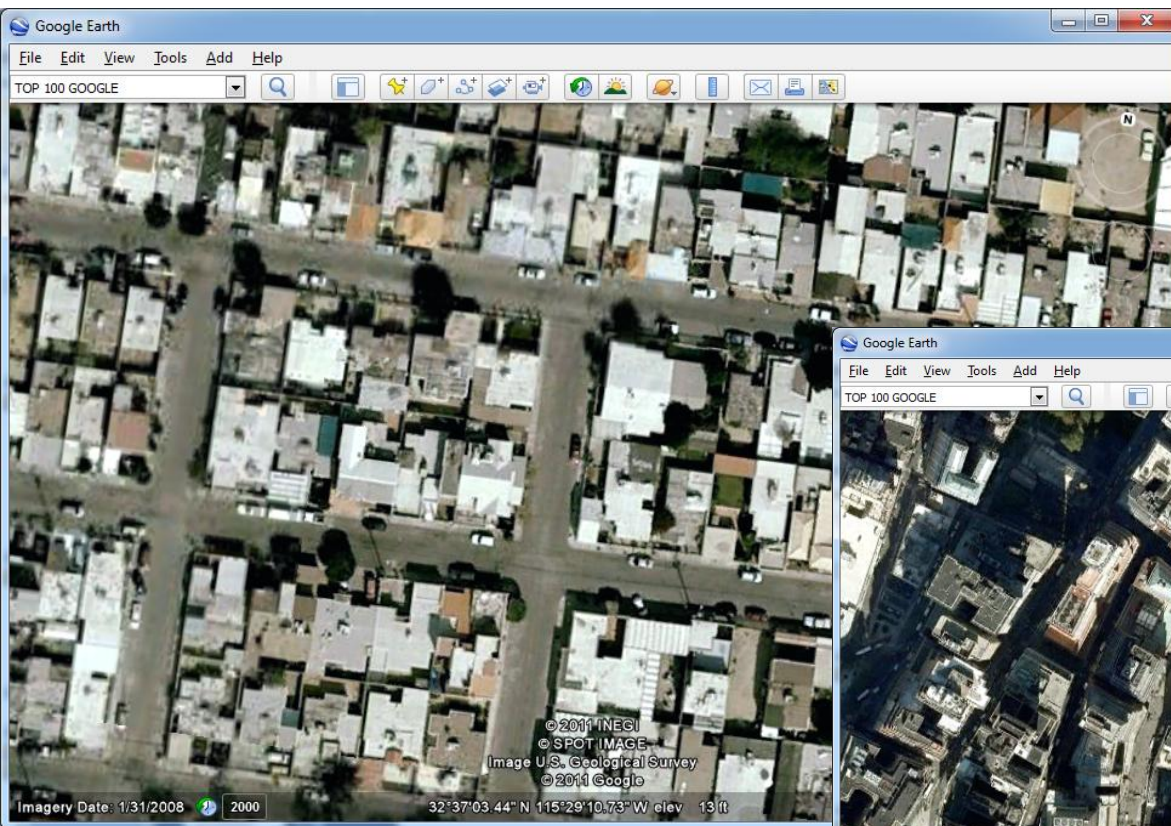


# Look Angles and Shadowing

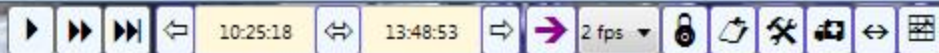
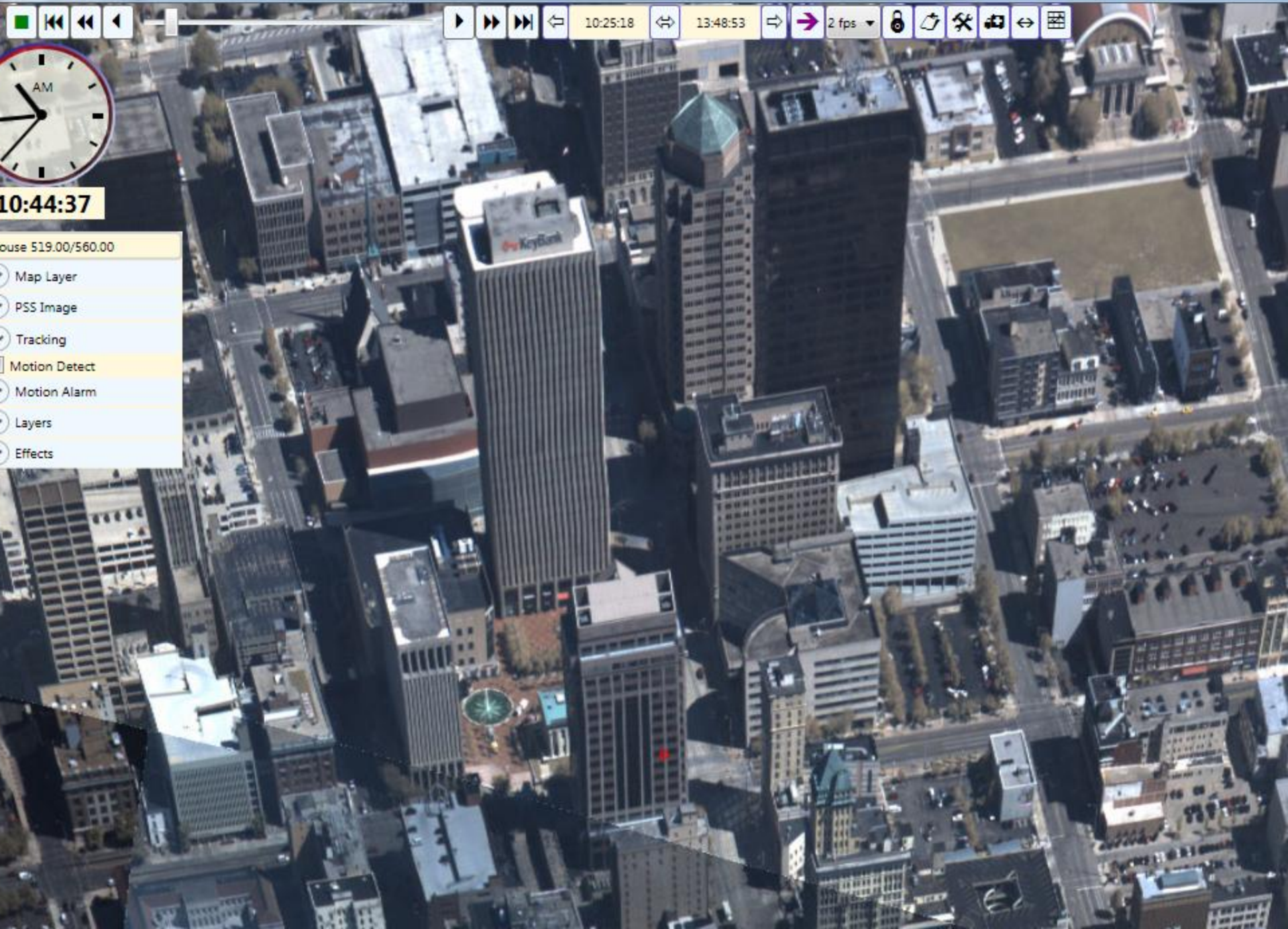




# Terrain







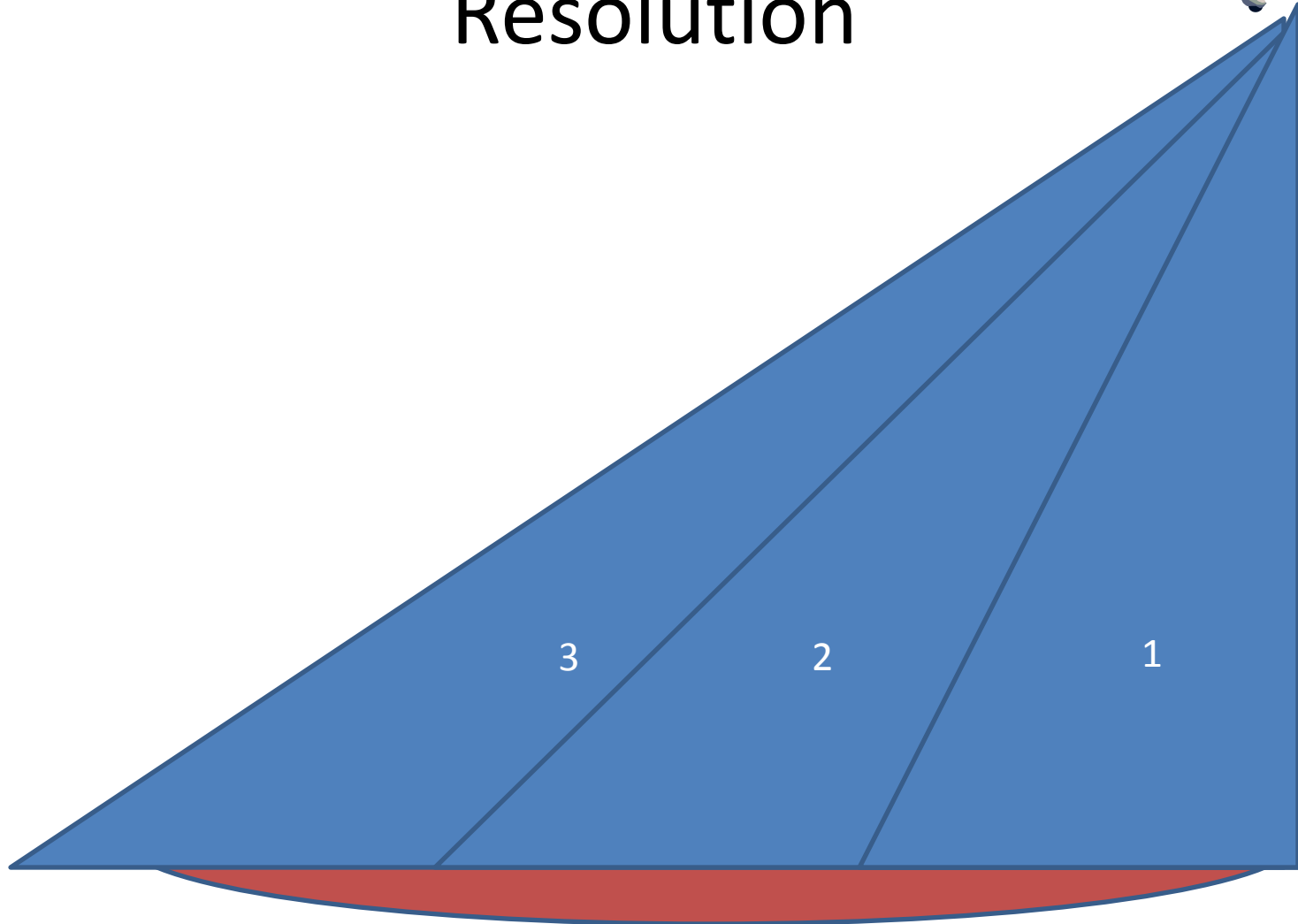
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# Coverage Area Resolution





# OrthoRectification

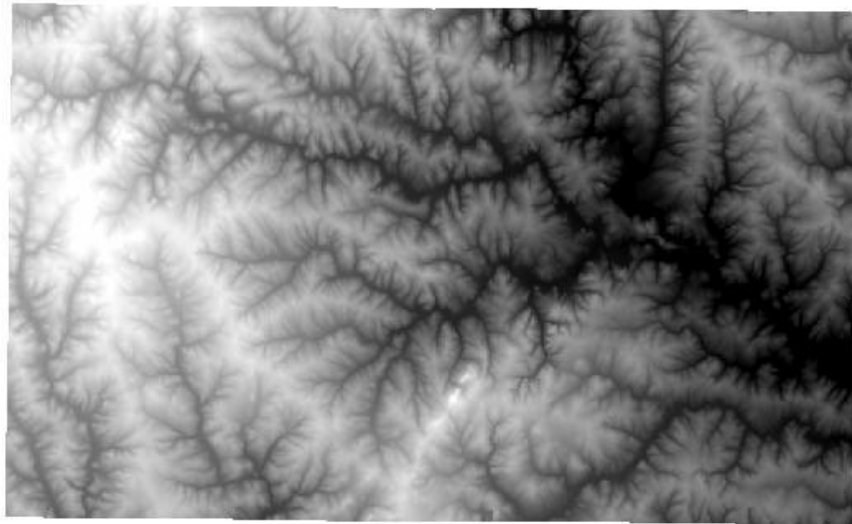
An **orthophoto**, **orthophotograph** or **orthoimage** is an [aerial photograph](#) geometrically corrected ("orthorectified") such that the scale is uniform: the photo has the same lack of distortion as a map. Unlike an uncorrected aerial photograph, an orthophotograph can be used to measure true distances, because it is an accurate representation of the Earth's surface, having been adjusted for [topographic relief<sup>\[1\]</sup>](#), [lens distortion](#), and [camera tilt](#).



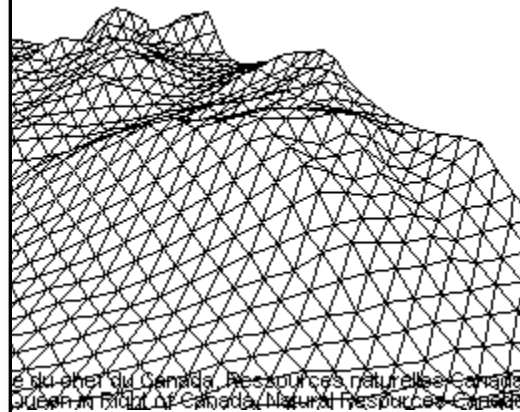
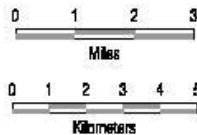
# Inertial Measurement Unit

- Where your camera is
  - Latitude, Longitude, Altitude
- Where your camera is looking
  - Roll, Pitch, and Yaw angles
- Errors
  - Offset – Misalignment
  - Random Shot to Shot

# Digital Elevation Maps



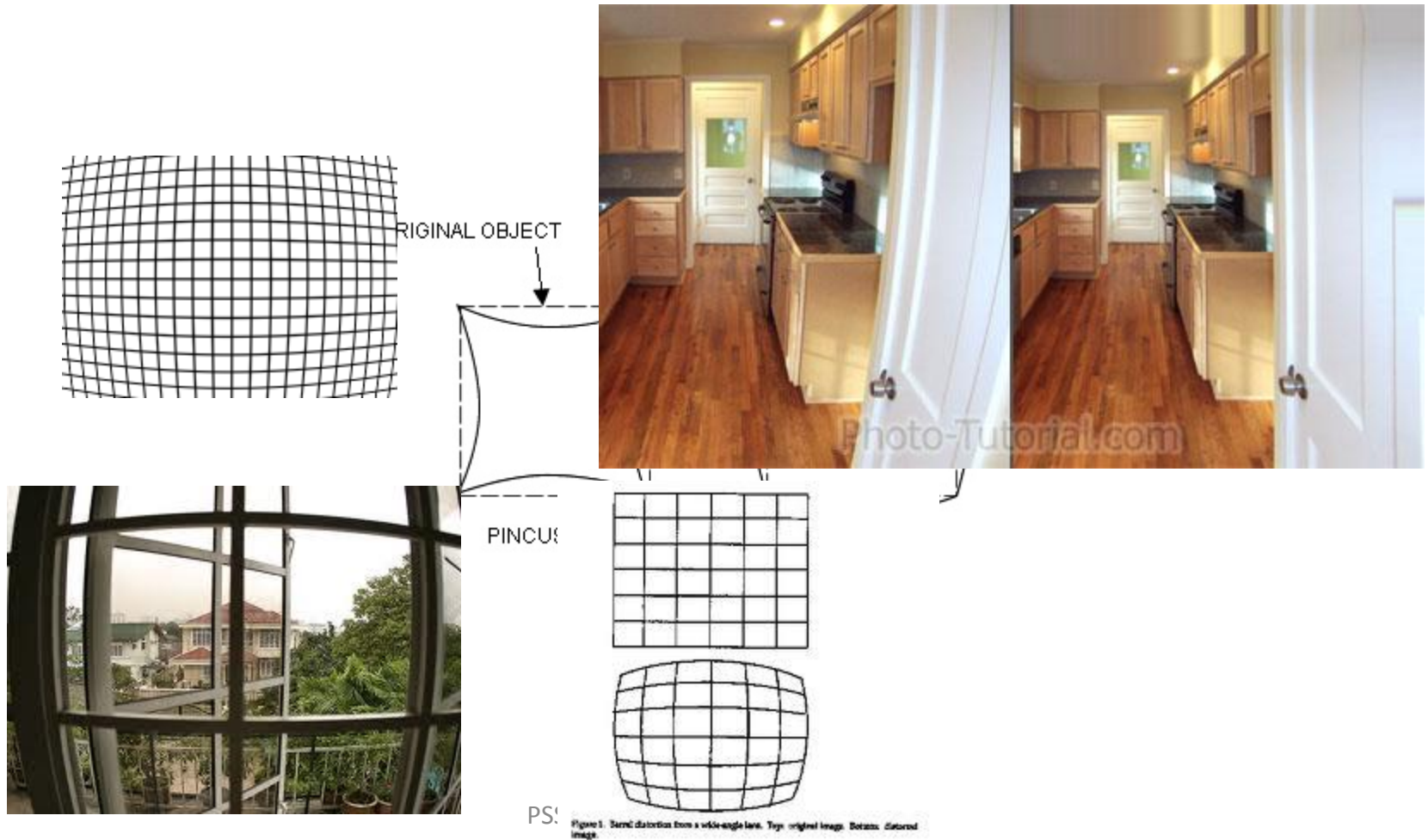
Lightest shades indicate  
highest elevation



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# Lens Distortion





# Camera Model

- Location
- Overlap
- 11 elements per camera
- 9 to 12 cameras

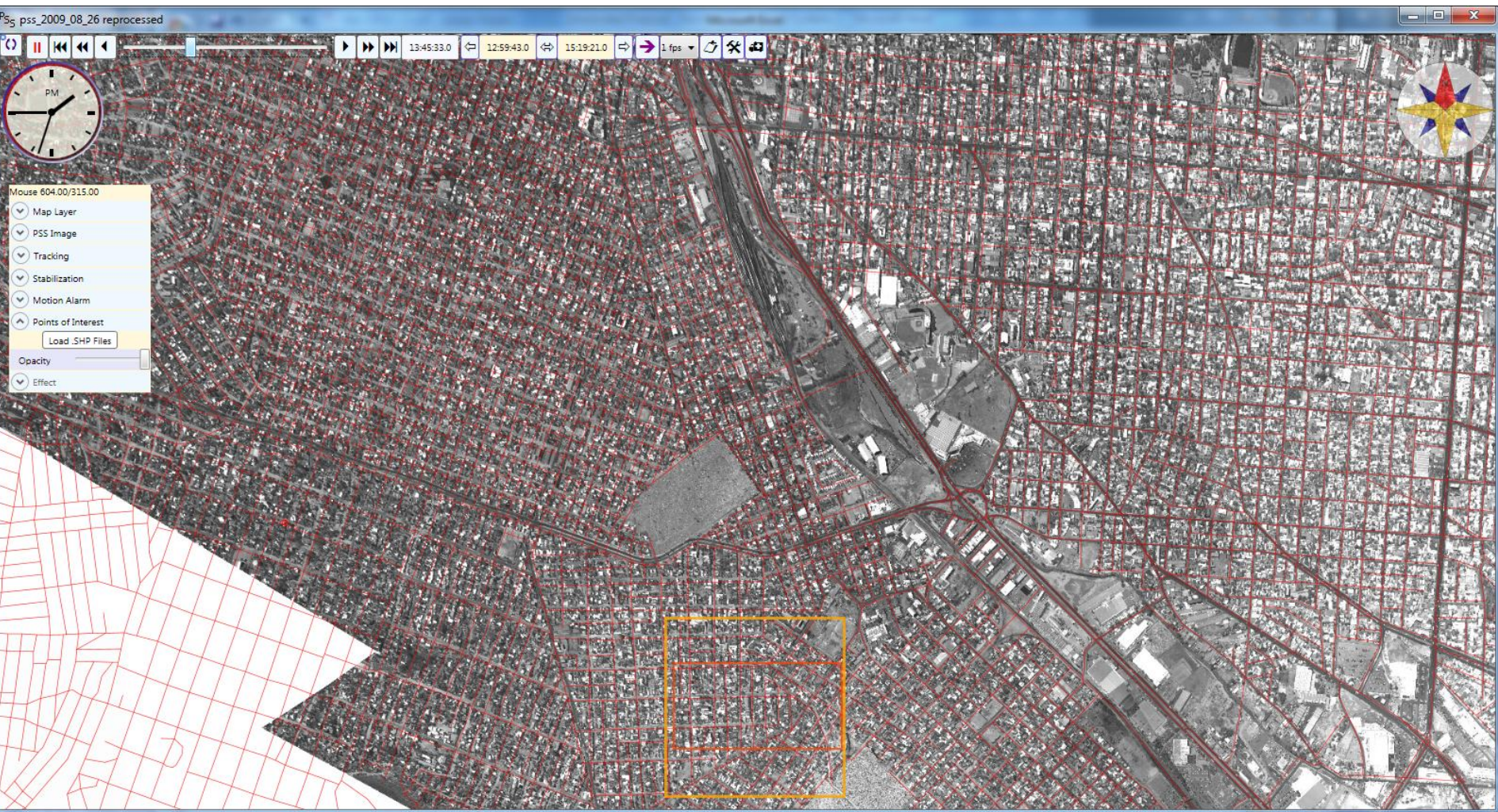
132 parameters to optimize

Image quality and location





# Objective getting images where they are supposed to be on the map







# Data, Data, and More Data

## Sample

- PSS Image File ~60 MB
- 3600 images per hour
- 6 hour mission
- $6 \text{ Hours} \times 3600 \text{ Sec/Hour} \times 60 \text{ MB/Sec} = 1.29 \text{ TB}$
- 150 day storage = 194 TB



# Data Management and Distribution

## Data Storage and Server Systems

- PSS 200 TB Affordable Disk Array
  - Up to 180 days of data
  - Portable (small bar fridge sized on wheels)
  - Raid 6 dual failure data protection
  - Easily expandable
  - Up to 10 Gbps Interface
- Integrated PSS Servers
  - PSS Image Server
  - PSS Investigation Data Base Server
    - Incident based information tracks,
    - imagery, records
  - PSS Incident Locator Server
  - PSS Locate Server
  - Map Server
    - GIS information , Comm Imagery,
    - Shape Files

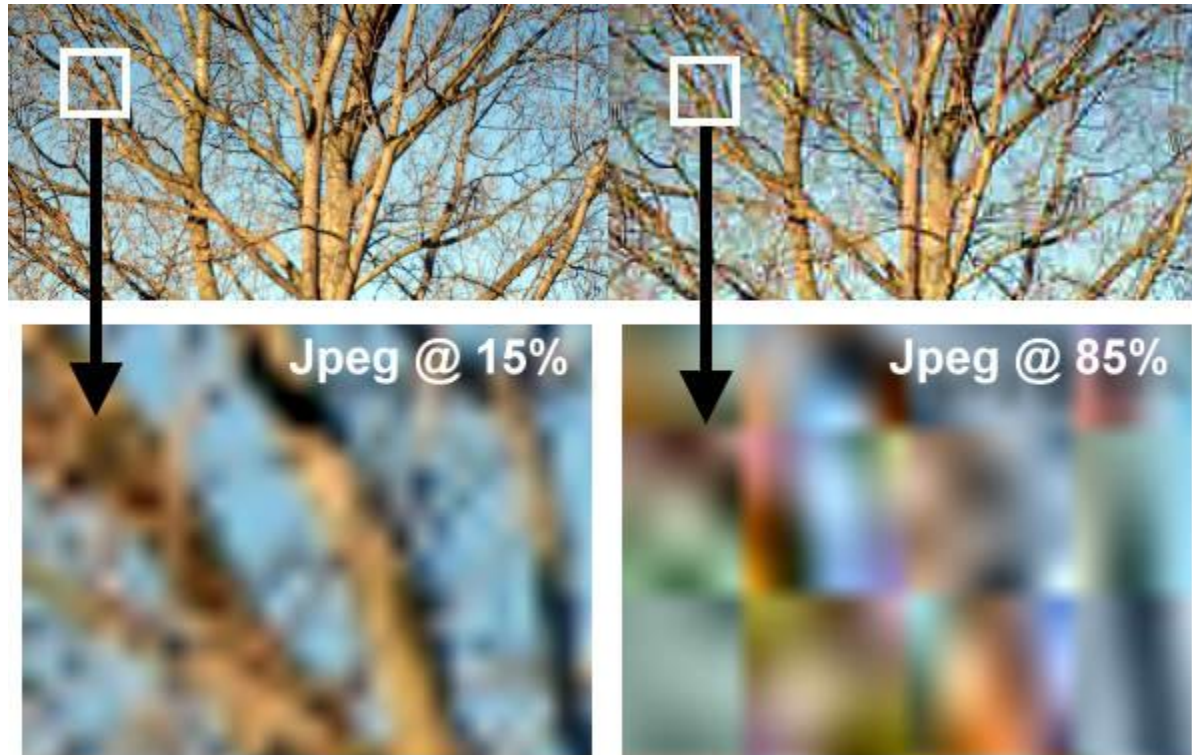




# Image Compression

- Processed Imagery 495 MB/Image
- JPEG Compression 5-10 to 1 ~60 MB/Image
- Also cuts bandwidth per user by factor of 5 to 10

# JPEG Artifacts





# Color vs. Monochrome

Monochrome

8 bits per pixel

256 shades of grey

Medium color car

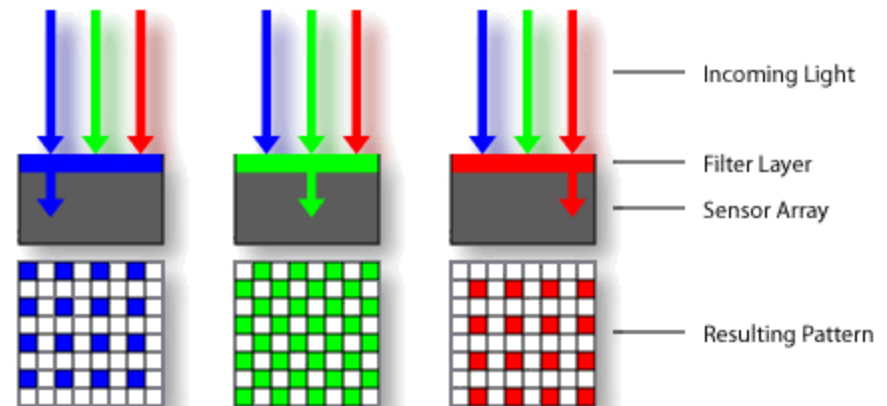
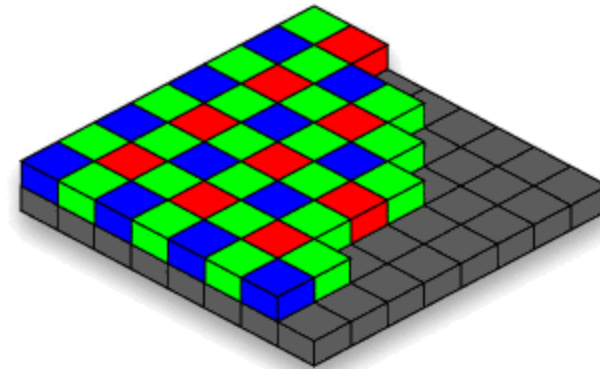
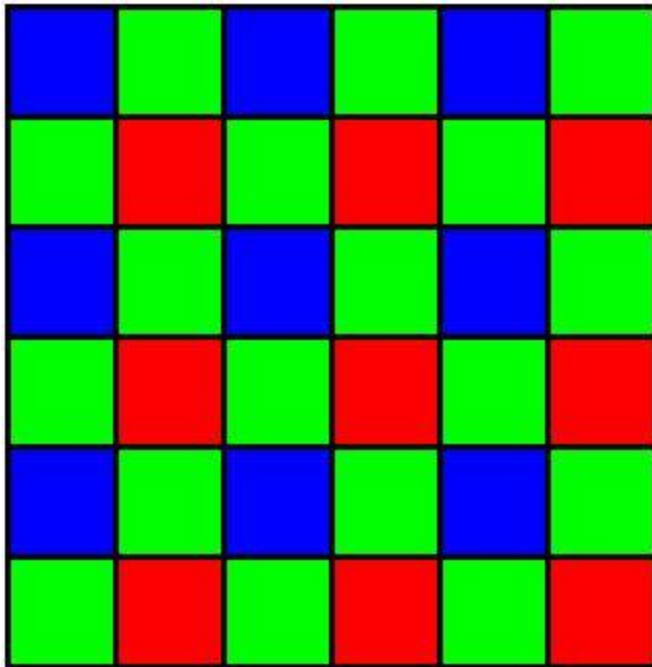
Color

24 bits per pixel

16 mil colors

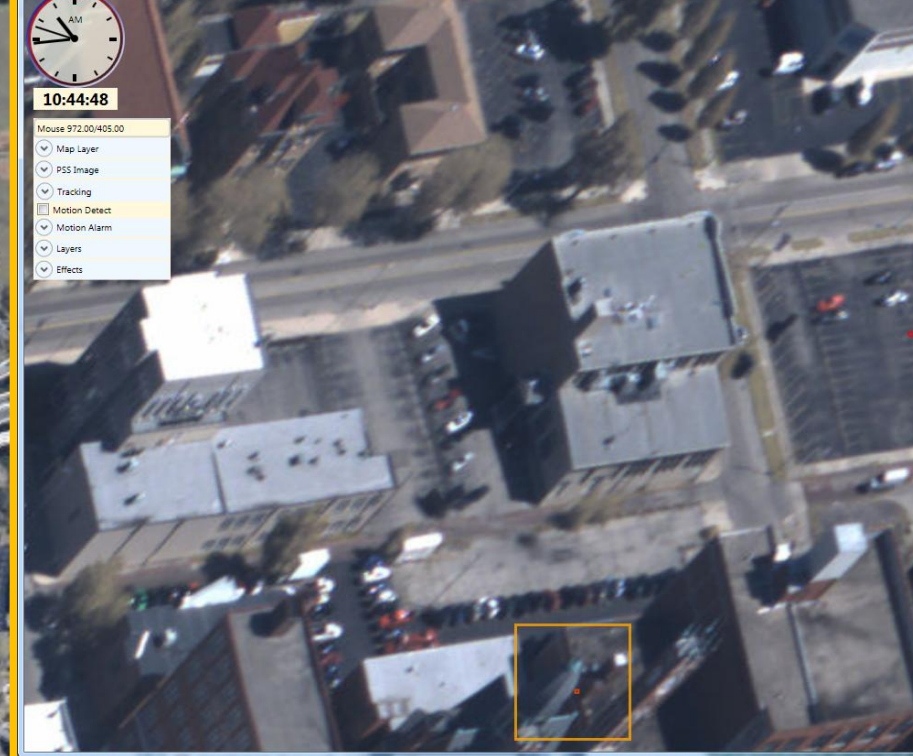
Blue, red, green Car


# Bayer Pattern - Color



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2-stCNB8jT8&NR=1&feature=fvwp>







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Mouse 972.00/405.00

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