



Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination (R06D) Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) AASHTO & FHWA Welcome

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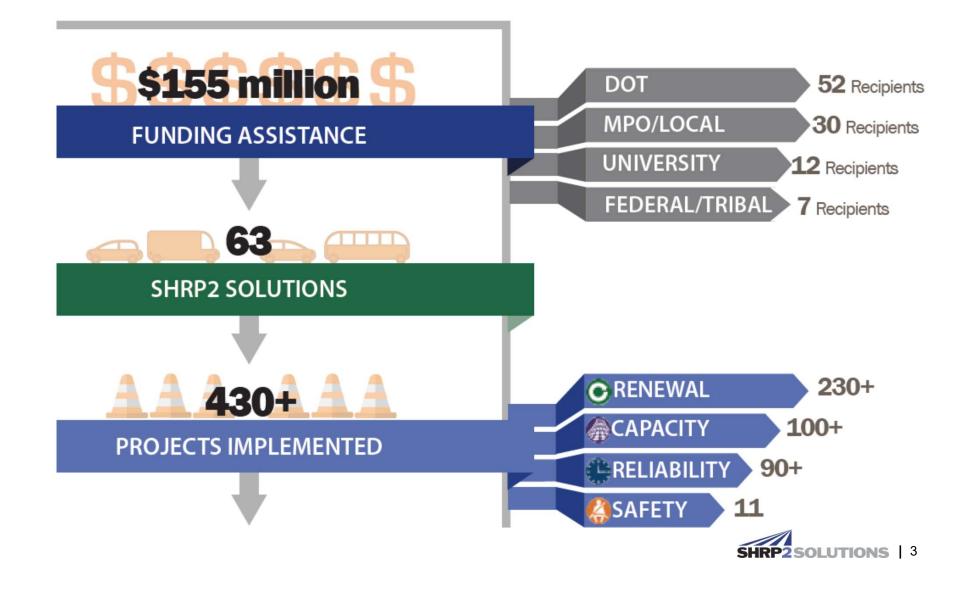
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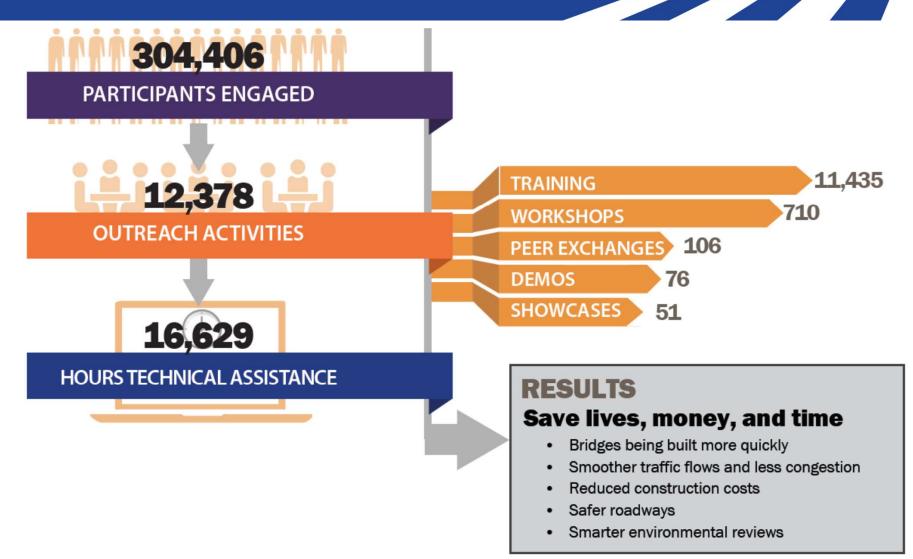
- AASHTO & FHWA Introduction
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SHRP2 Implementation: INNOVATE – IMPLEMENT - IMPROVE



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SHRP2 Focus Areas





Safety: fostering safer driving through analysis of driver, roadway, and vehicle factors in crashes, near crashes, and ordinary driving



Reliability: reducing congestion and creating more predictable travel times through better operations



Capacity: planning and designing a highway system that offers minimum disruption and meets the environmental and economic needs of the community



Renewal: rapid maintenance and repair of the deteriorating infrastructure using already-available resources, innovations, and technologies



Advanced Methods to Identifying Pavement Delamination (R06D)

CHALLENGE:

Asphalt pavements with delamination problems experience considerable early damage. Rapid detection of the existence and extent of delamination is key for determining appropriate rehab strategies and extending pavement life.

RESEARCH:

Identify and develop NDT technology that can:

- Detect & quantify delamination in HMA
- Operate at reasonable traveling speed
- Cover full-lane width

ROUND 7 Proof-of-Concept Agencies:

- FL, TX, NM, MN, CA & KY
- Focused on field validation and assist in advancement of one or both technologies.





GPR Antenna Array (3-D Radar)



Impact Echo (IE) / Spectral Analysis of Surface Waves (SASW) Scanning System





Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination (R06D) - GPR Overview of R06D Project

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Asphalt Delamination



SHRP2 R06D Project Goal

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R06D Research Overview

- 1. Identify candidate NDT technologies
- 2. Evaluate potential to meet the goals
- 3. Select NDT technologies with high potential to achieve goals
- 4. Promote development of hardware and software
- 5. Validate equipment improvements
- 6. Examine performance in field conditions
- 7. Demonstrate NDT to interested agencies

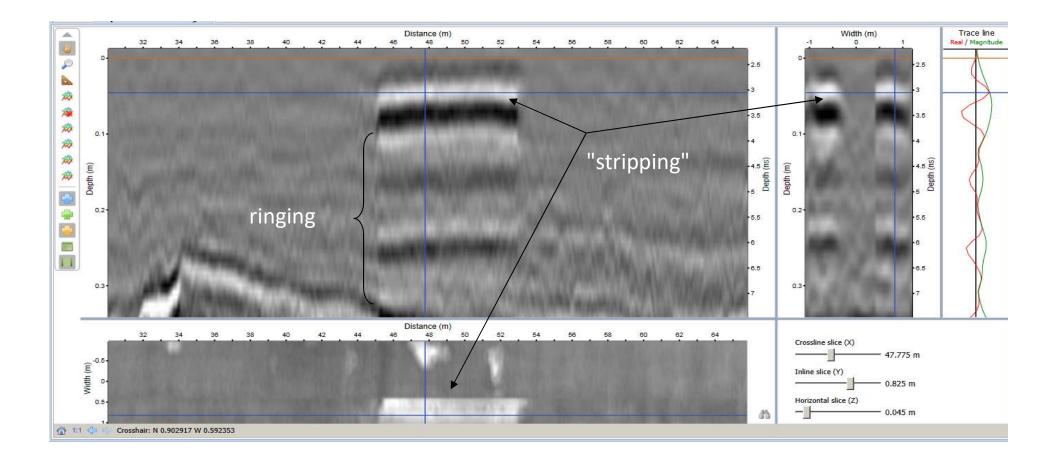


Building Delamination Sections





GPR Data Display (NCAT test track section)





GPR by 3D Radar









Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination (R06D) GPR Step Frequency Antenna Array

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About 3d-Radar

- Founded in 2001 to bring Step-Frequency (SF) 3D Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) to the Defense and Civil markets
- Located in Trondheim and Oslo, Norway and Charlotte, NC USA
- Patented intellectual property (Norwegian Patent No. 0316658 and U.S. Patent No. 7,170,449 for unique antenna array)
- As of May 2014, part of Chemring Sensors and Electronic Systems

Technology

- Step-frequency GPR technology and multi-channel antenna arrays
- Embedded processing technology for Real-Time tomography
- Advanced post-processing software with geo-referenced output



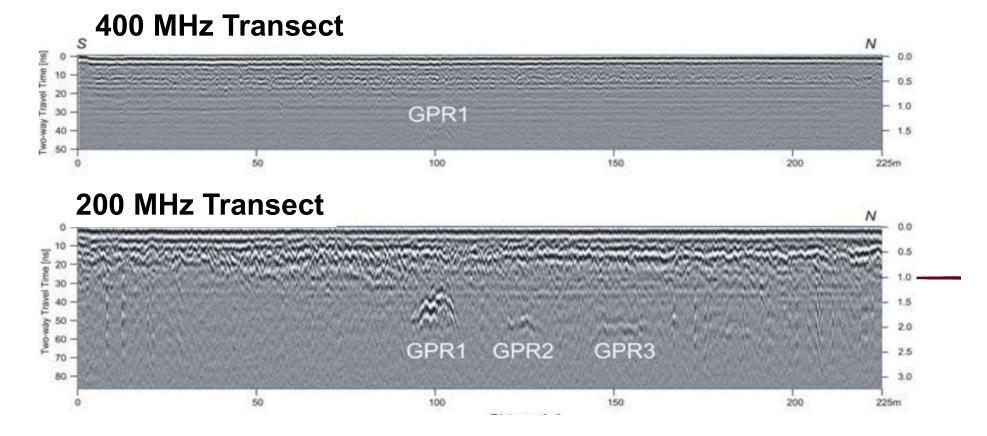




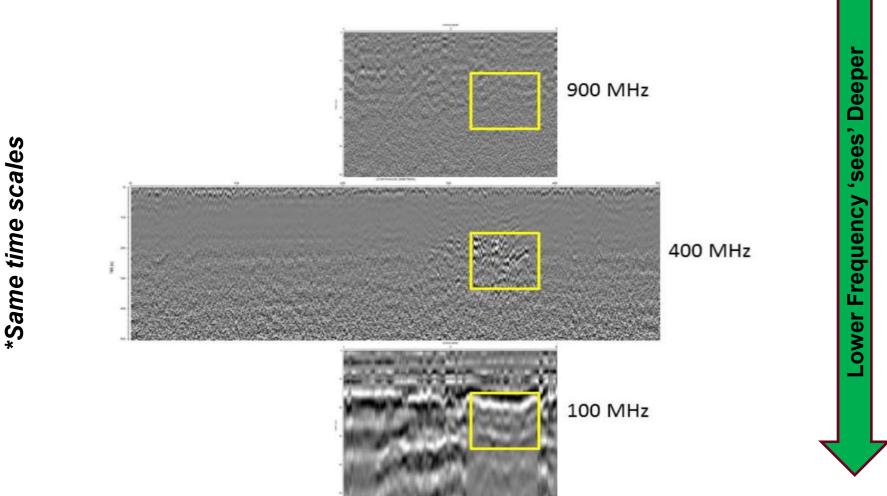


Frequency vs. Resolution of Anomalies

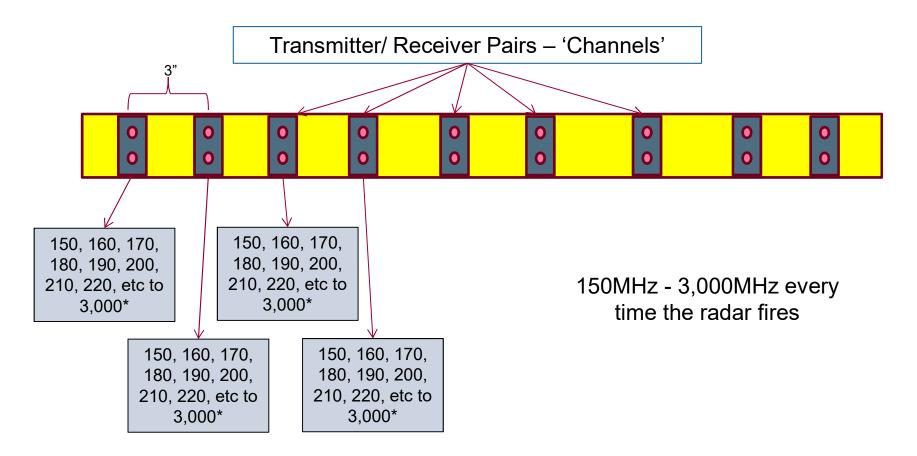
<u>Same transect</u> – two different GPR frequency antennas



Frequency vs. Resolution of Anomalies Same transect – three different frequency antennas



Step Frequency/ Ultra Wideband Radar



3D Radar uses the full range of frequencies to optimize resolution for each depth point.

*Actual step progression is determined by the scan settings.



3d-Radar Core Products GeoScope 3D GPR and Ultra-wideband Antenna Arrays



GeoScope[™] MkIV 3-dimensional GPR

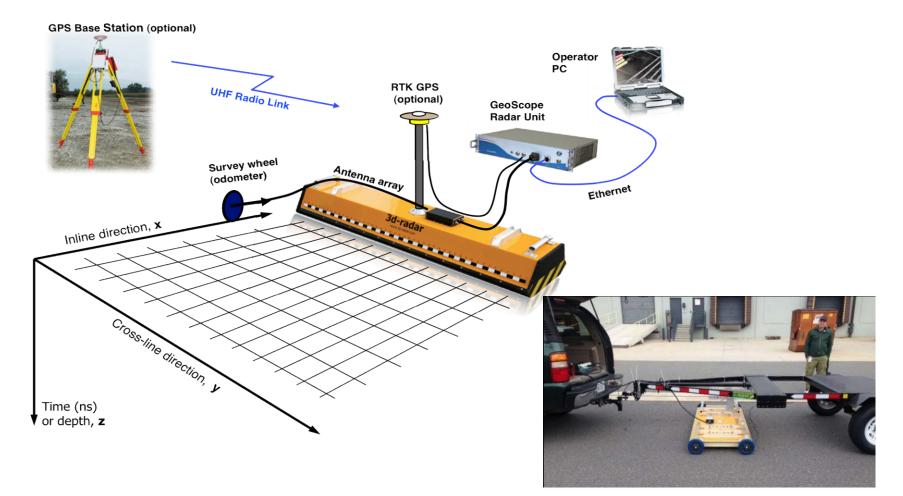
- Step-frequency continuous waveform Radar
- Real-time 3D Display
- Dual Receiver architecture
- 100 MHz 3000 MHz
- GPS / Total Station interface

DX series & DXG series ultra-wideband antenna arrays

- 200 MHz 3.0 GHz
- 75mm channel spacing
- 8 41 channels (0.6 3.1m scan width)
- Air-coupled and ground-coupled models
- Built-in GPS for time reference

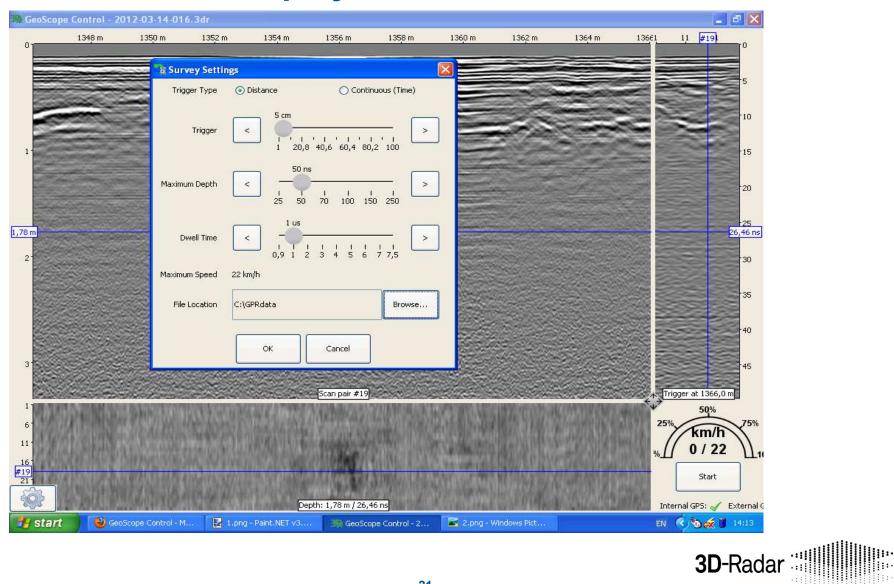


Principles of Operation





Real-Time 3D Display



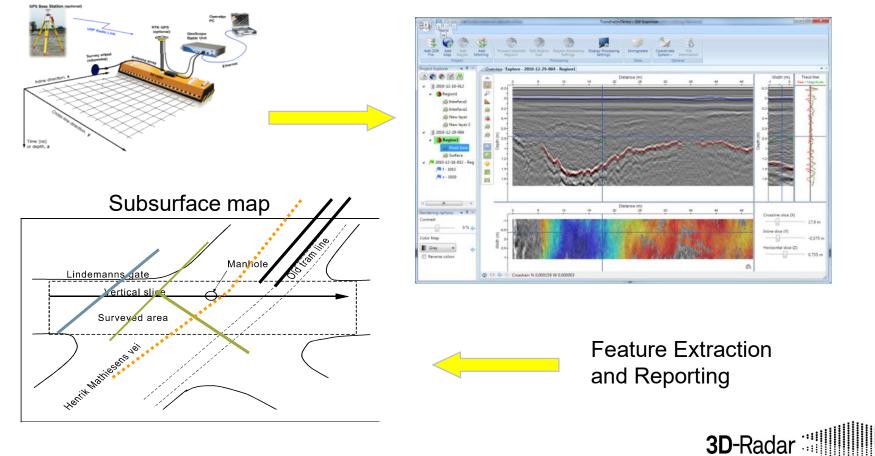


3d-Radar Data Processing Workflow

Post-processing, Data Analysis & Interpretation software

Radar scanning & Data Collection

3D GPR Data Processing and Visualization (3DR Examiner)



Designed to handle huge datasets

- No data reduction
- Post processing performed on full dataset

Drastically reduced processing time

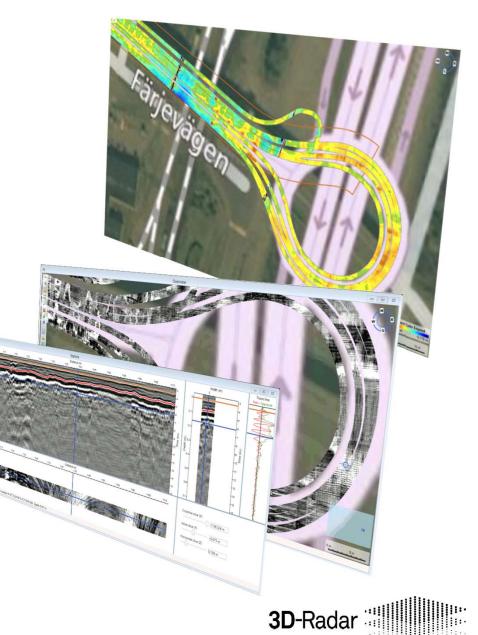
• Data available for analysis almost immediately after the survey

Intuitive GUI

• Easy extraction of meaningful data

High positioning accuracy

• State-of-the-art GPS outliers filtering



Easy to use annotation function

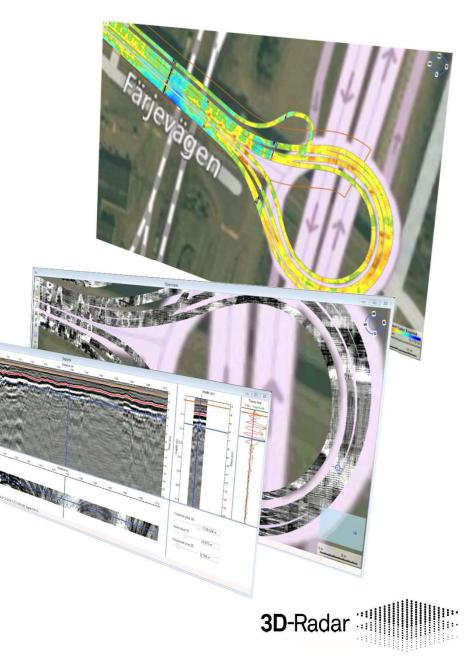
 Annotations exported with subsurface images

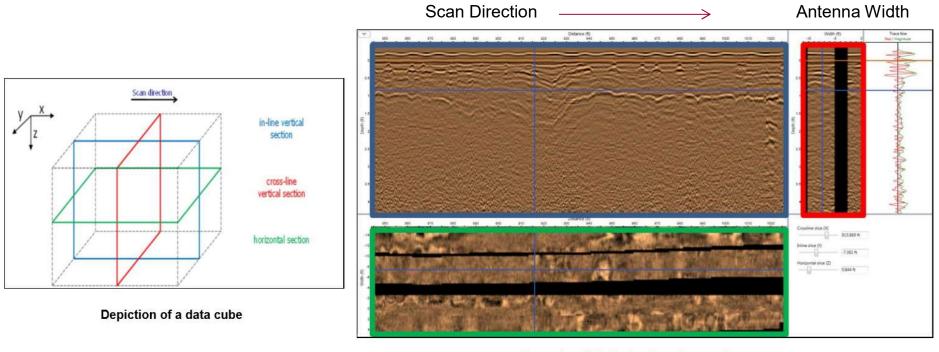
Import/Export of geo-referenced maps and images

• AutoCAD, Google Earth, Video

Fully documented SW development kit

• Integration of specific algorithms



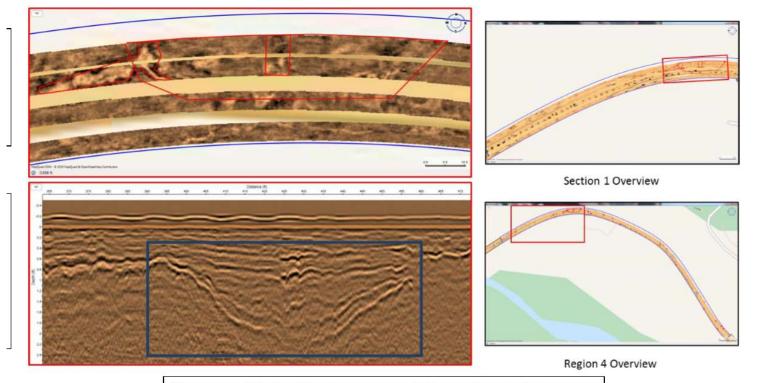


Time Slice

Example of 3D-Radar Examiner software

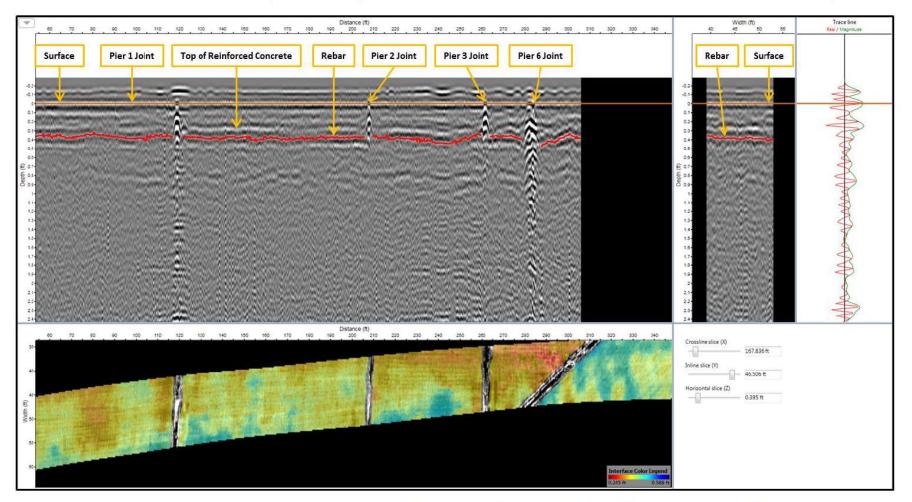


	Region	4	
Type	Location	Area (sq. ft)	Depth (ft)
SP1	N37° 09' 46.98566" W113° 01' 28.02437"	1153.08	2.299



The area within the blue box represents the soft spot. It has an area of 1153.08 sq ft and goes down to a depth of 2.299.'





Part 3 – Cross Sectional (On-Ramp – Between South Abutment and Pier 6 Joint)

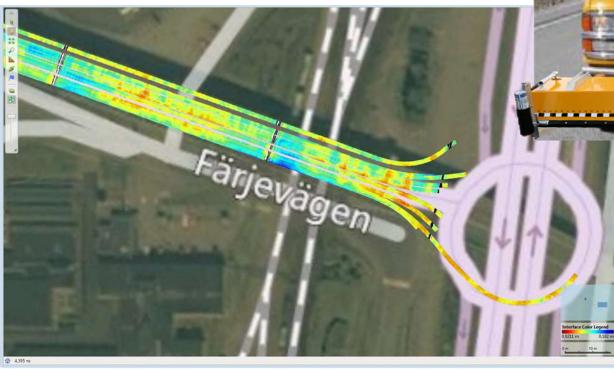
The above image is a cross-sectional view of the on-ramp between the South Abutment and Pier 6 Joint.



Road Inspection

Measurements:

- Pavement thickness and quality
- Base and sub base layers
- Delamination





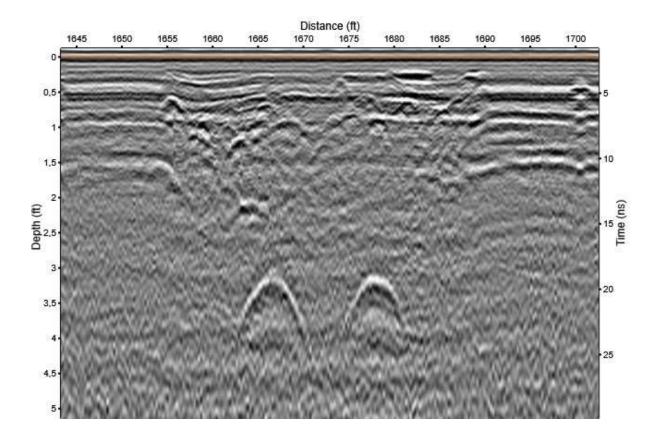


Survey area (detail)



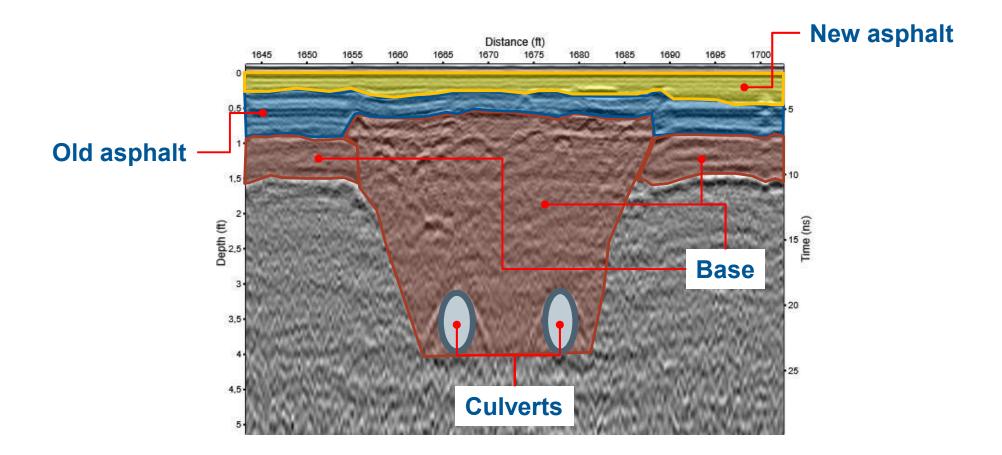


Data example: vertical section (GPR data)



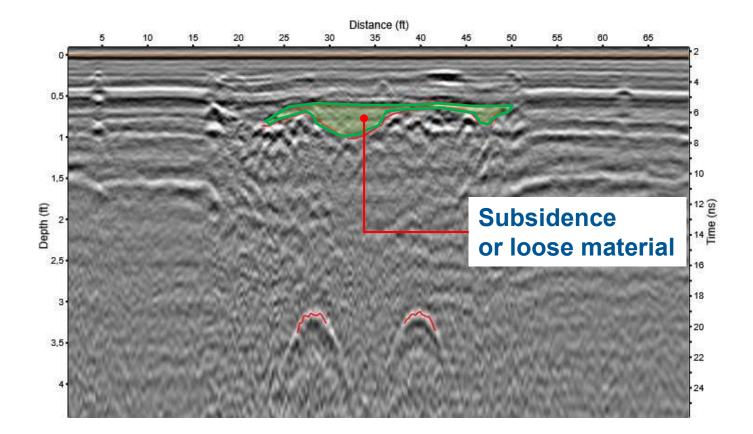


Data example: vertical section (interpretation)





Data example: vertical section, subsidence below asphalt



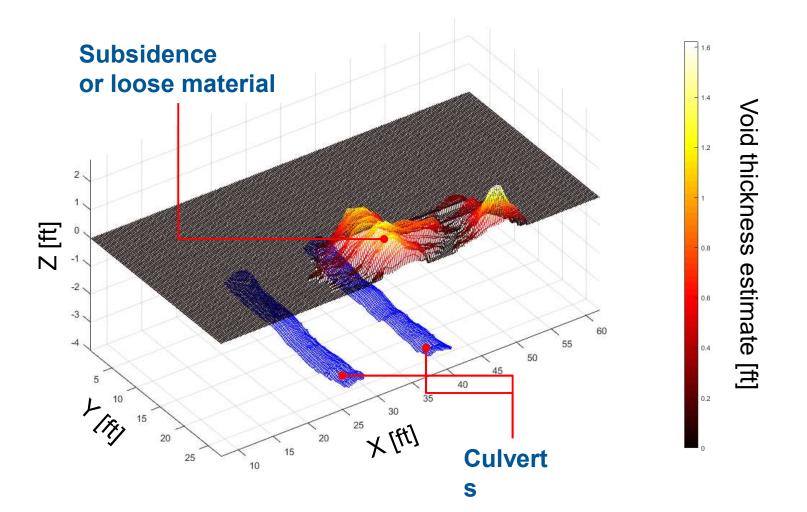


Area of interest: reference





Area of interest: subsidence reconstruction Total volume: ~93.5 ft³











Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination(R06D) TX & NM DOTs Evaluation

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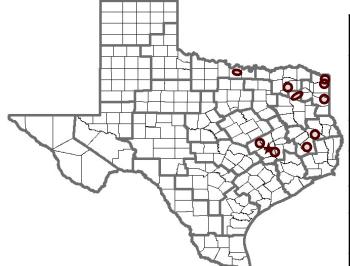




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GPR Test Locations - Texas



HWY	District	County	Limits	(mi)
US 59	Lufkin	Polk	Milton Creek to end grass median S of Leggett	3.9
US 69	Lufkin	Angelina	Start FM 841 E for 3 mi	3
SH 19	Paris	Hopkins	Delta Co. to Sulphur Springs	12.5
US 59	Atlanta	Harrison	Marion Co. line to FM 1997	3.1
IH 30	Atlanta	Bowie	State Line to TRM 218	6
IH 30	Atlanta	Titus, Morris	TRM 153 to TRM 181	30
US 82	Wichita Falls	Montague	Nocona to St. Jo	12
US 79	Bryan	Milam	FM 2095 to Brazos River	4.5
FM 2347	Bryan	Brazos	FM 2154 to FM 2818	1

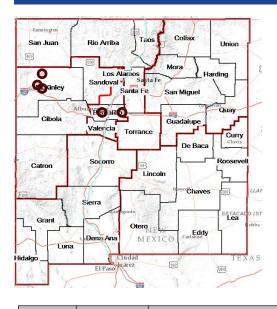








GPR Test Locations – New Mexico



Bridge	Rdwy	Feature Intersected		
9040	NM-309	BNSF Railroad		
9013	61-Z000	Belen Highline Canal		
6489	I-40 WBL	BNSF RAILROAD		
8678	FR-4004	I-40 EBLS/WBLS @mp 39.9		
6362	I-40 EBL	BNSF Railroad Spur		
7157	NM-566	Rio Puerco/BNSF R/R		
7158	NM-566	RIO PUERCO (NORTH FORK)		

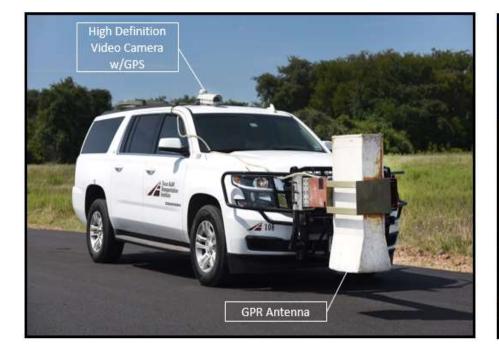
	HWY	MP	MP	LENGTH (mi)	Comments	
	NM 264	11	14	3	Flexible	
	NM 491	27.5	28.5	1	Flexible	
	I-40	16	18	2	Concrete – 4 lane	
	Jefferson Ave.	Metro Ave.	US491	~1	Concrete	
	I-40	38	42.5	4.5	Flexible	
	I-40	42.5	45.5	3	Flexible	
	I-40	140	141	1	Flexible	
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GPR – Comparison to Texas System

TTI 1GHz System

3D Radar System ~6' wide with 21 channels













Collection Settings 3D Radar

3D-Radar Collection Settings							
Pavement Surface	² Trigger Spacing		Time Window	Dwell Time	Max Speed		
	(in)	(cm)	(ns)	(us)	(Km/hr)	(mph)	
Concrete & BRG	3.0	7.6	50	0.6	70	43.5	
¹ concrete/flexible	6.0	15.5	50	0.6	144	89	
Flexible	12.0	30.5	50	0.6	282	175	

- Use for concrete pavement when need to test at >45mph; use for flexible pavement when closer spacing is needed;
- 2. Trigger Spacing can be increased to 36" in order to save data storage and still provide adequate network level data. If spacing is adjusted, use multiples of 3".

Note: Collection settings are preliminary and final recommendations are still under review.









GPR Comparison - Collection

TTI 1GHz System

- Flexible Pavement
 - Collect at Highway Speed
 - Collection interval 24"+
 - Data Storage Required
 - US 59, 3.35 miles 1 run required ~19,000 KB of storage

3D Radar System

- Flexible Pavement
 - Collect at Highway Speed
 - Collection interval 12"+
 - Significant Data Storage Required
 - US 59, 3.35 miles 1 run required 1,578,000 KB of storage (83x more than TTI System)









TTI – PaveCheck Software



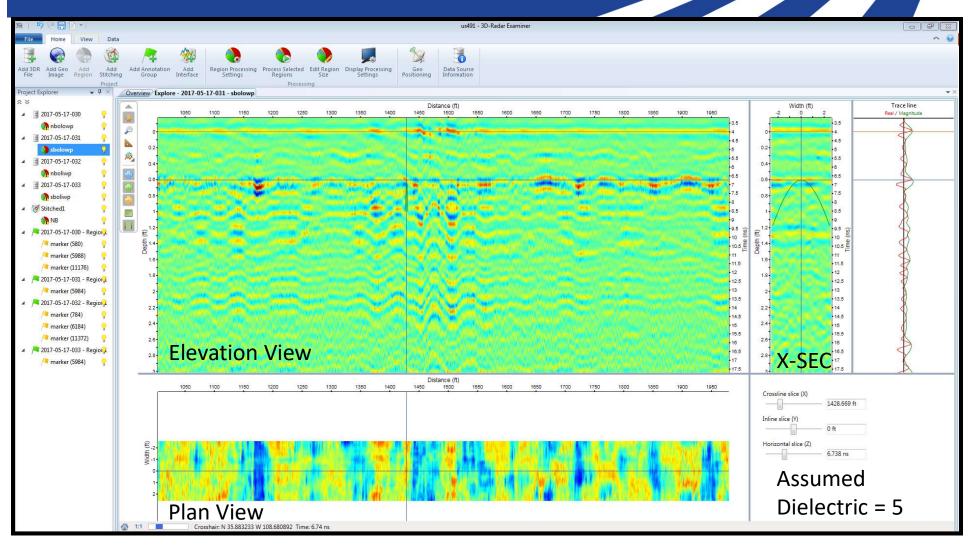








3D Radar Examiner Software



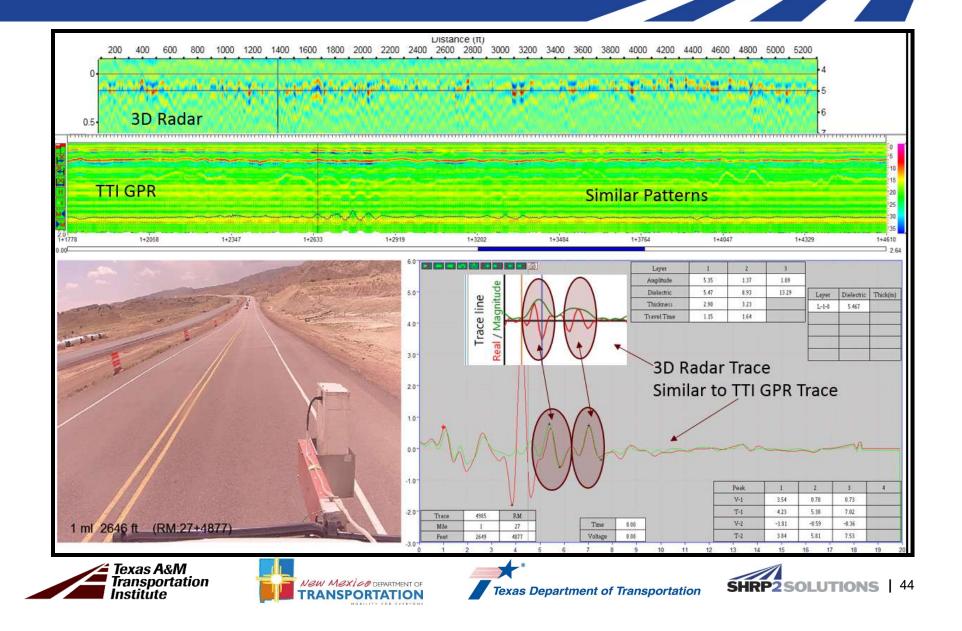




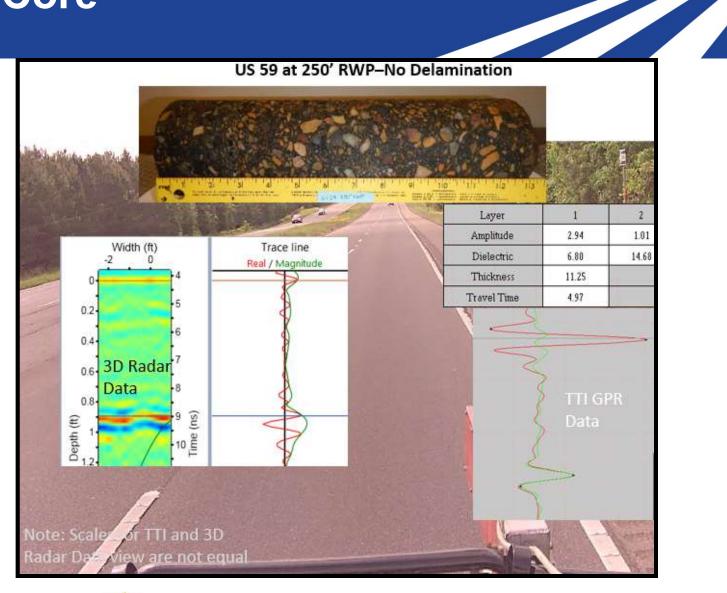




Comparison



Texas Core



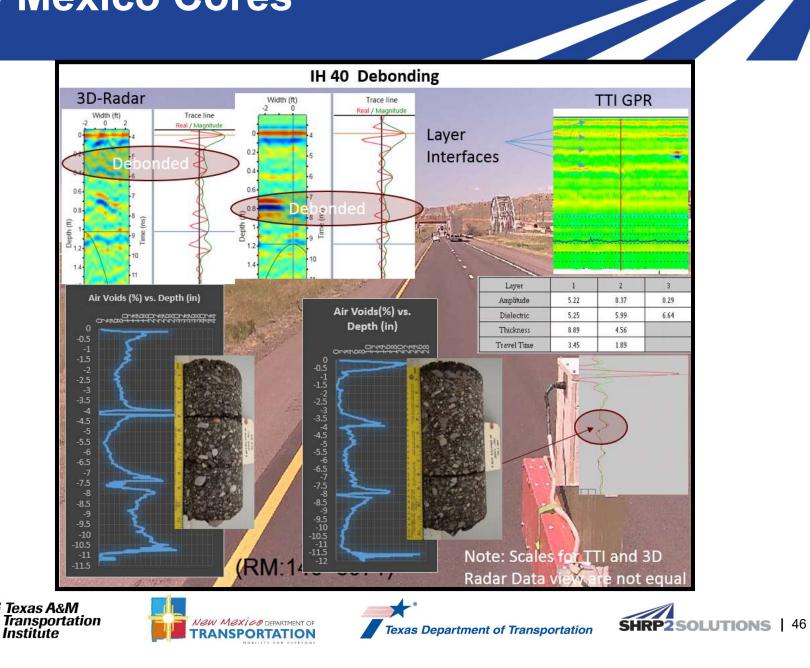




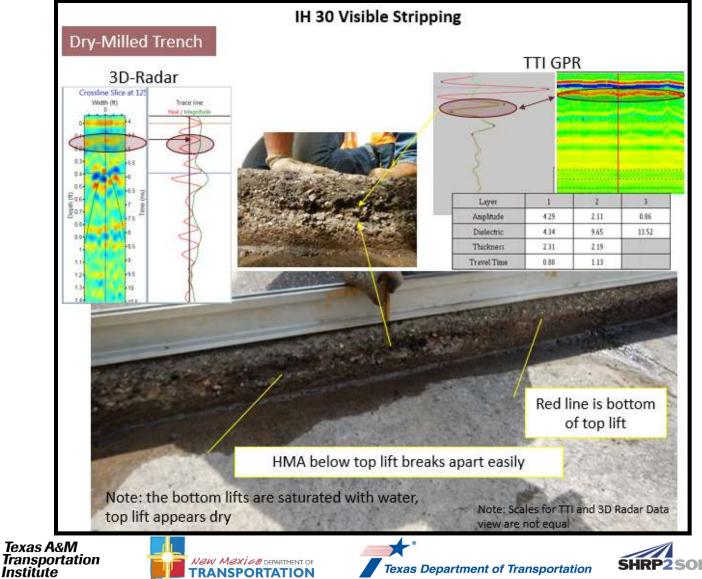




New Mexico Cores

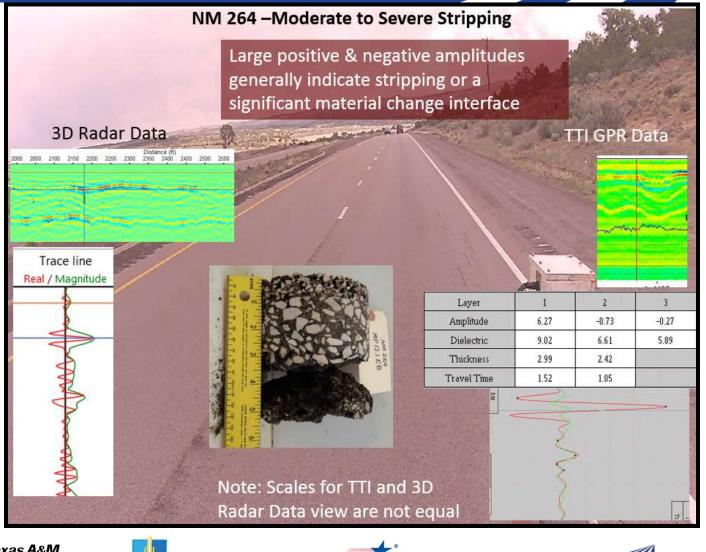


Texas Trench Cut



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New Mexico Core



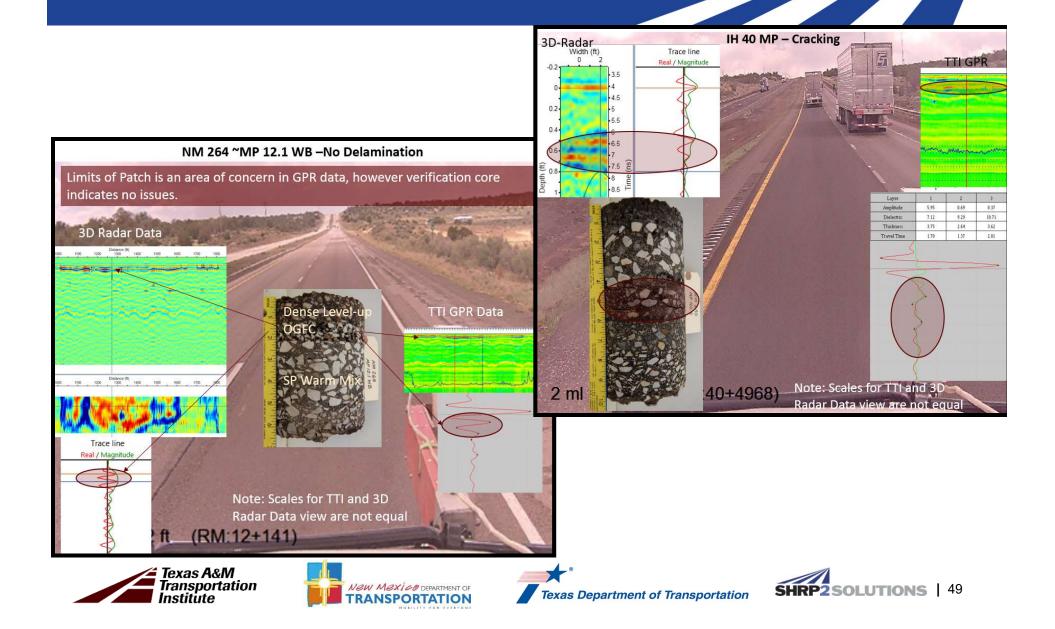




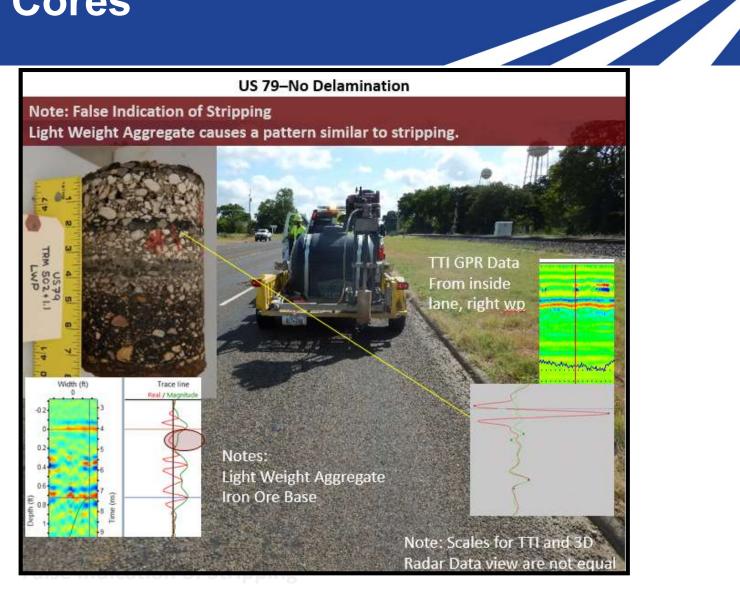




New Mexico Cores



Texas Cores



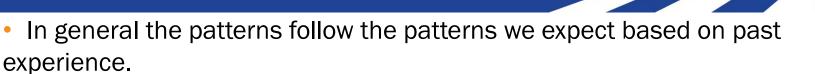








Overview



- The false patterns encountered, both in New Mexico and Texas, help justify the need to take verification cores.
- It is very difficult to distinguish between severity of deterioration/delamination.
 - While the patterns are similar, severe stripping tends to have much larger amplitude.
- Applications for Concrete Pavement
 - Dowel alignment (examples not discussed)
- Recommendations
 - Improve data storage efficiency for collection
 - Examiner Software
 - Integrate video/images
 - Calculate dielectric and layer thickness based on calculated dielectrics
 - Continue to evaluate the 3D Radar System













Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination (R06D) - GPR California DOT Evaluation

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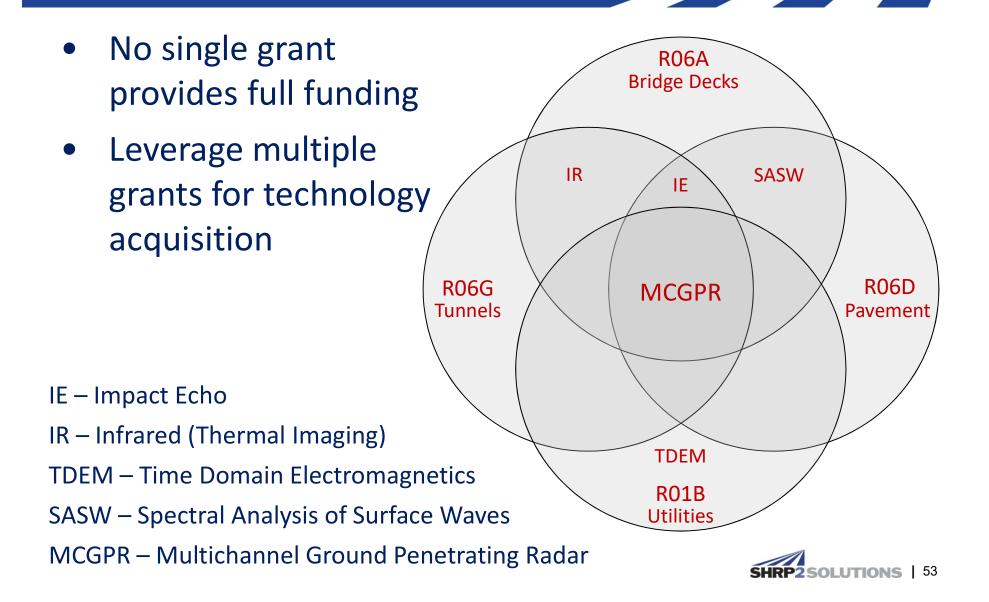
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SHRP2 Technology Overlap



3D Radar Implementation

- Collaboration at State & National Level
 - Funding through FHWA & AASHTO
 - Design and Fabrication through CT-GS and CT-DOE
 - Installation and Testing through CT-GS and UC Davis
- Implementation Challenges
 - Short Delivery Schedule
 - Rigid Mounting System
 - Reliable Power Supply
 - I/O From Multiple Data Streams

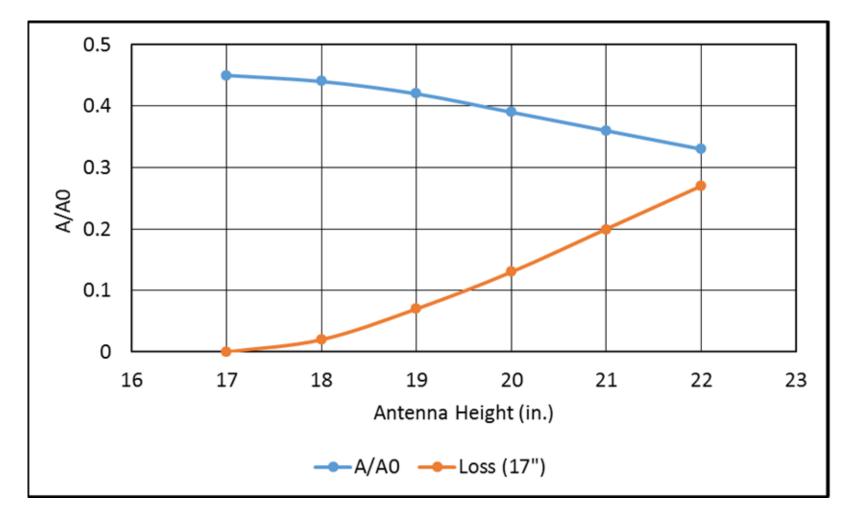


Caltrans 3D Radar Van



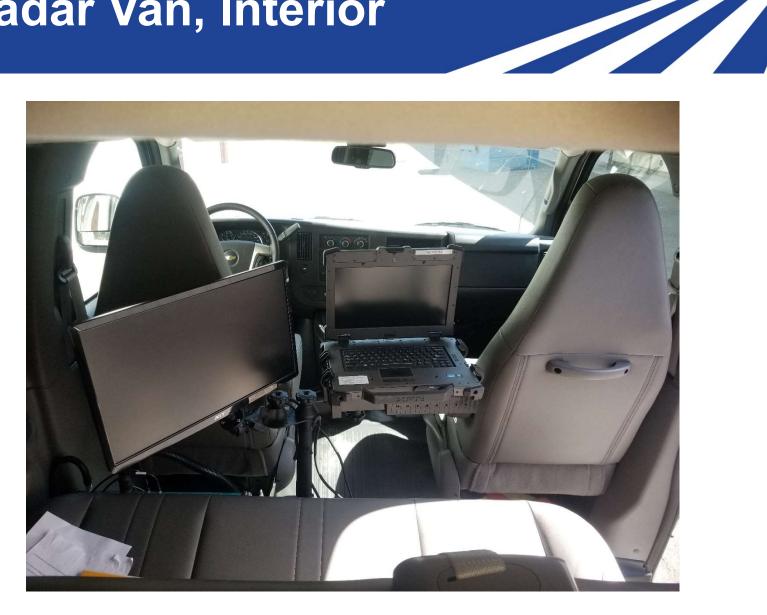


Energy Loss vs. Antenna Height





3D Radar Van, Interior





3D Radar Van, Field Trials





POS LV - GNSS Aided Inertial Navigation

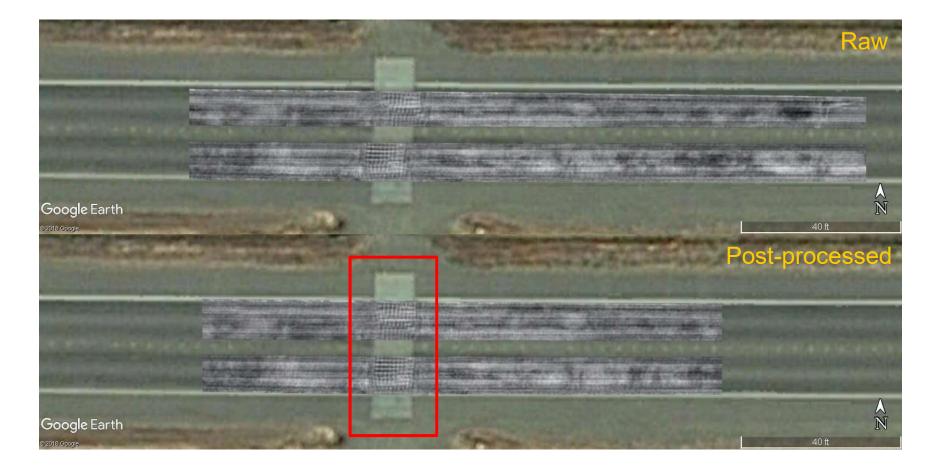
- Dual Antenna GNSS
 - position, attitude & heading
- Three-axis IMU
 - Accelerometer & gyroscope
 - 100 Hz output
- DMI Odometer
 - Up to 20,000 pulse/m
- Integrated processor
- PC interface
 - Real-time output
 - User parameter controls



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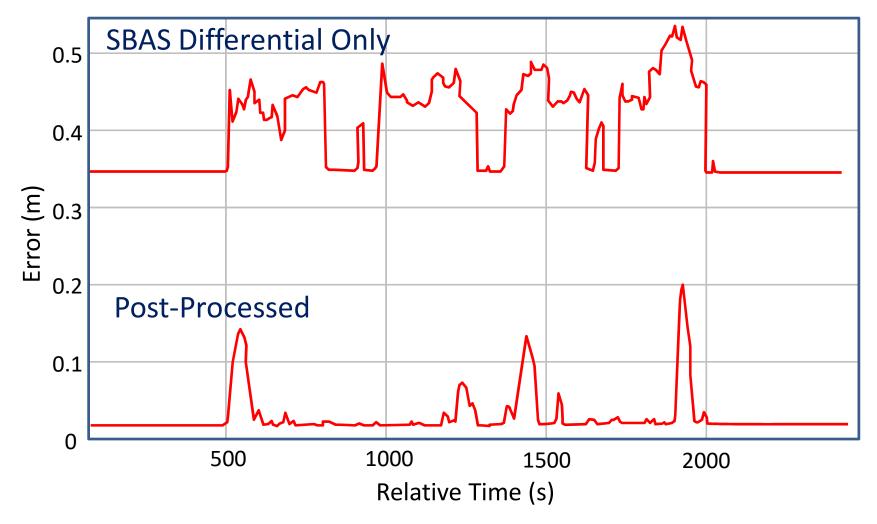


Examiner Image Correction 50 MPH



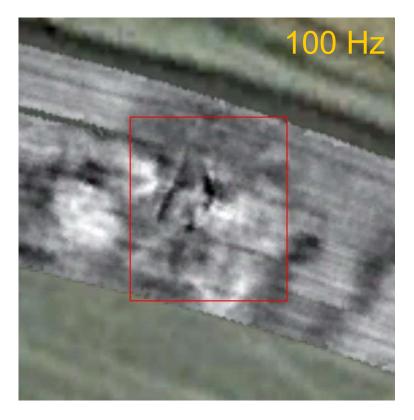


GNSS Post-Processing





Examiner Image Quality vs. Position Sample Rate







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Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination (R06D) - GPR Minnesota DOT Evaluation: Calibration

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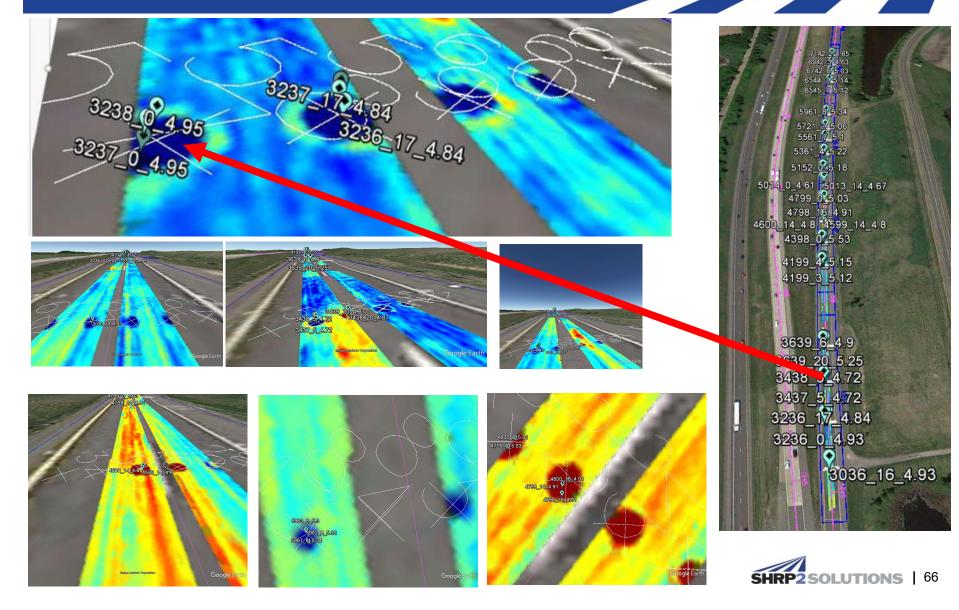


Calibration/Validation Topics

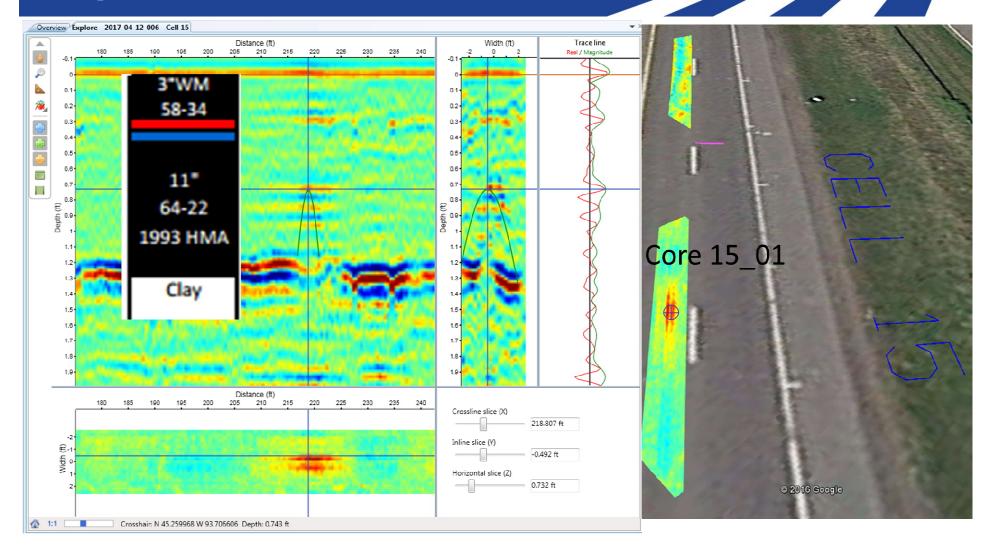
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- Controlled Laboratory Tests (Metal Plate and HDPE plastic)
 - Sampling Rate
 - Metal Calibration
 - Air Calibration



Highway Speed GPS accuracy (MnROAD)

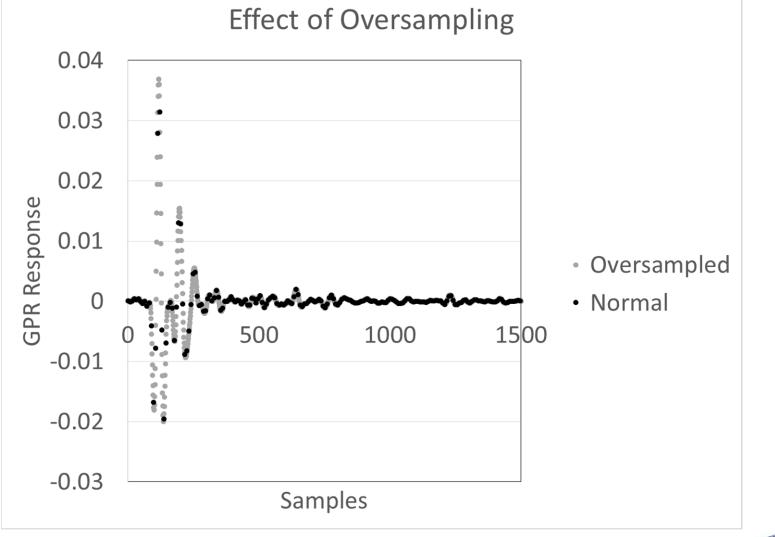


GPS accuracy: Implications for Implementation





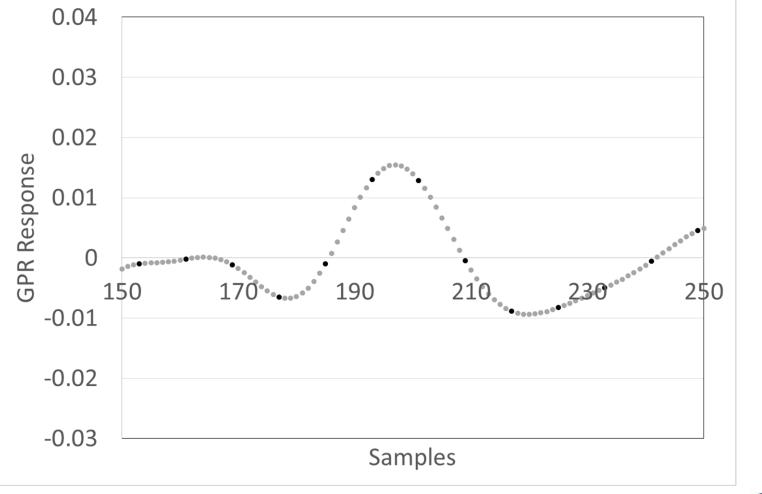
Controlled Laboratory Tests: Sampling Rate





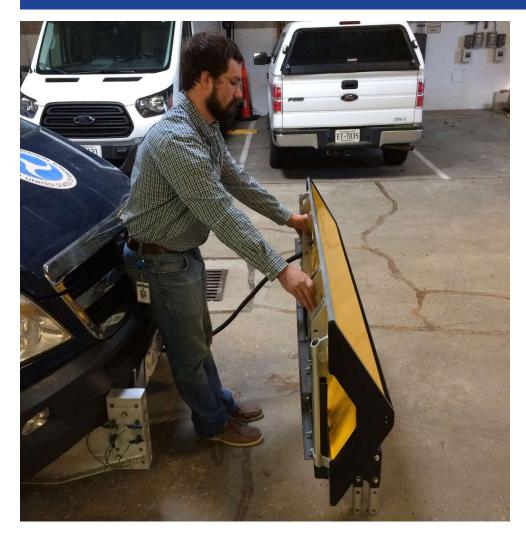
Controlled Laboratory Tests: Sampling Rate

Effect of Oversampling - Zoom





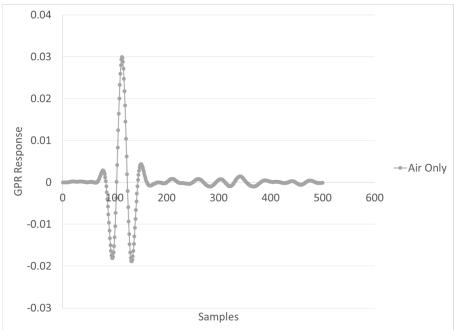
Controlled Laboratory Tests: Air Calibration



Extract "Air Wave"

- Face antenna away from the surface

 Eliminate portion of the signal that is only affected by the antenna

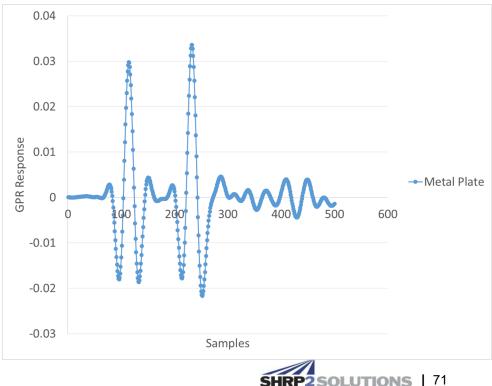




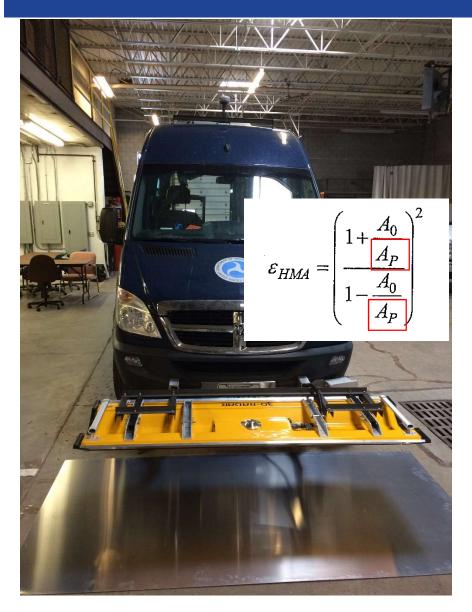
Controlled Laboratory Tests: Metal Calibration



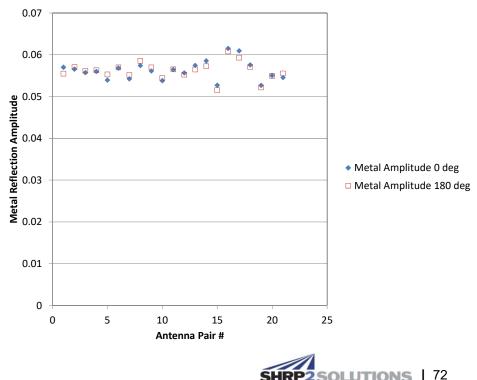
4'x8' Metal Surface Reflection Amplitude – Placed in the center of the antenna array – Use the amplitude of the surface reflection to characterize the signal magnitude



Controlled Laboratory Tests: Metal Calibration



4'x8' Metal Surface Reflection Amplitude – Placed in the center of the antenna array – Rotated 180 degrees and placed in the center of the antenna array



Controlled Laboratory Tests: HDPE Plastic

HDPE Surface Reflection Amplitude

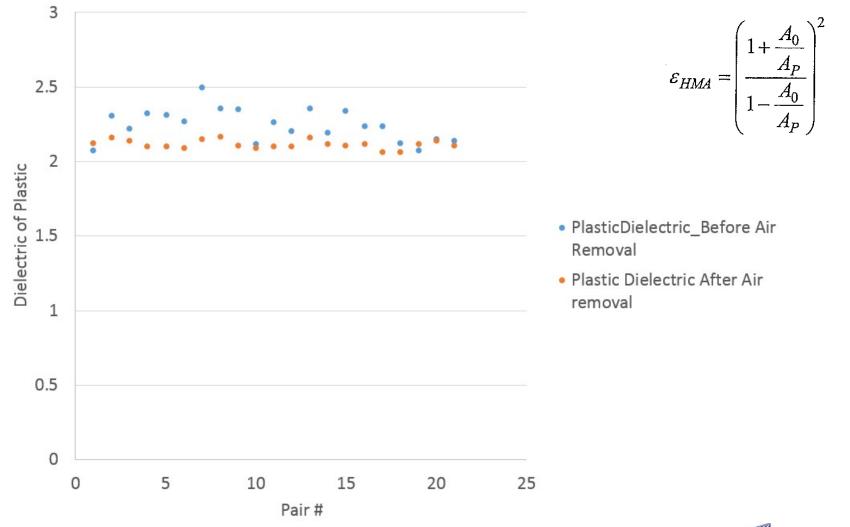
- Plastic Sheet (HDPE) Calibration
- Manufacturer Dielectric Listed: 2.30

– Known Dielectric can be used to evaluate effectiveness of air, metal, and oversampling calibrations

 $\mathcal{E}_{HMA} = \left(\begin{array}{c} 1 + \frac{A_0}{A_p} \\ 1 - \frac{A_0}{A_p} \end{array} \right)^2$



Controlled Laboratory Tests: HDPE Plastic Dielectric



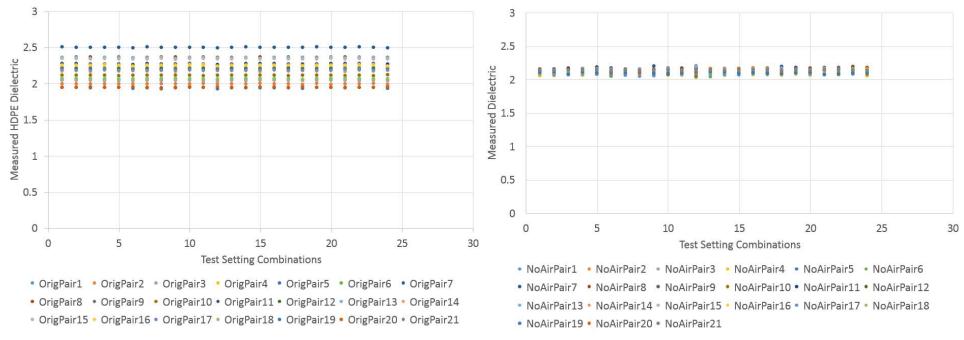


Controlled Laboratory Tests: HDPE Plastic Dielectric Test



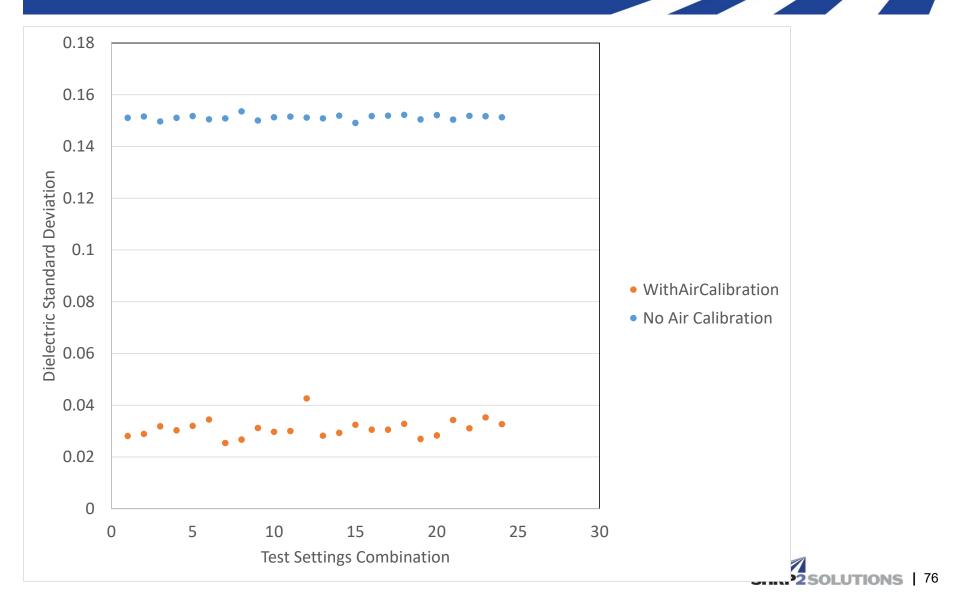
Prior to air calibration

After air calibration





Controlled Laboratory Tests: HDPE Plastic Dielectric Test



Calibration Result Implications

- 3D Radar equipment can integrate the GPS with the GPR data with high accuracy even at highway speed
 - Useful to integrate an external GPS connected to a virtual reference station or other correction method to get full potential of equipment
 - This allows for selection of validation cores fully based on GPS data
 - Improved accuracy and efficiency of selecting core validation locations
- Incorporation of oversampling, metal, and air calibration into analysis can improve 3D radar signal
 - 3D Radar is working on incorporating some of these calibration options, but none are currently available in examiner and require outside analysis.
 - Oversampling can improve digital representation of the true analogue signal which is important for amplitude calculations and filtering technique applications
 - Metal and air calibrations are critical to addressing antenna to antenna variation and reducing signal noise







Advanced Methods to Identify Asphalt Pavement Delamination (R06D) Advances in GPR Signal Analysis

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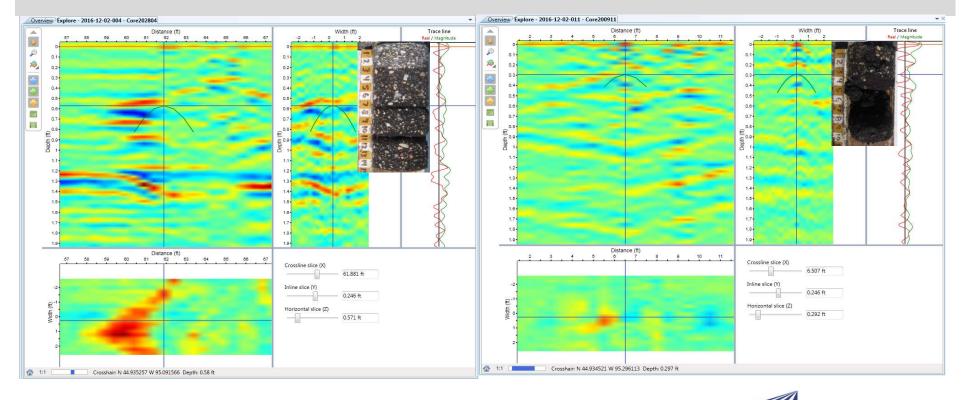
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Using GPR to Detect Potential Stripping

□ Looking at GPR images

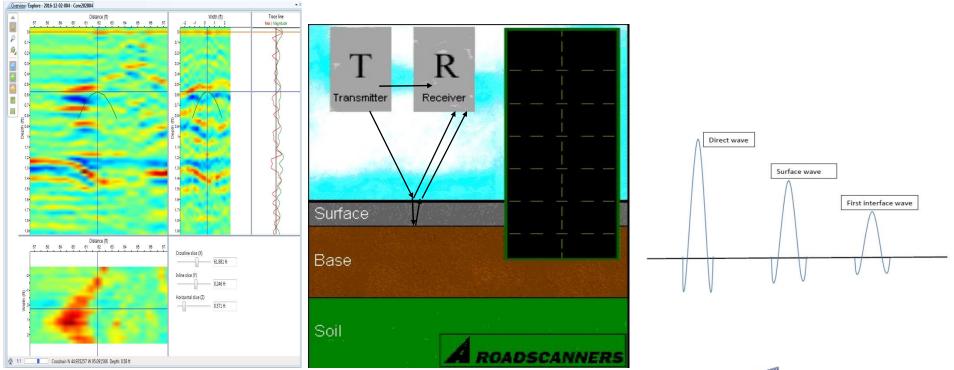
- □ Very subjective to the person analyzing the image
- **Time-consuming and labor intensive**
- □ GPR can not definitively identify stripping



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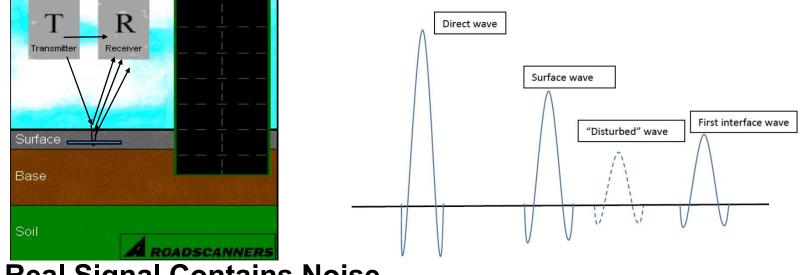
Concept of Signal Analysis

- **GPR** image consists of a lot of time-history waveforms
- Each waveform contains some information about the pavement
 - □ A Perfect (homogenous and uniform) Layered System



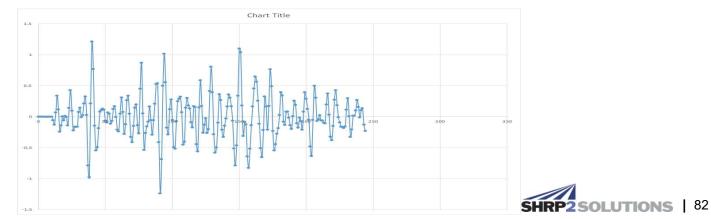


A Layered System with Defect (Stripping)



Real Signal Contains Noise

Noise makes "disturbed" waveform less visible





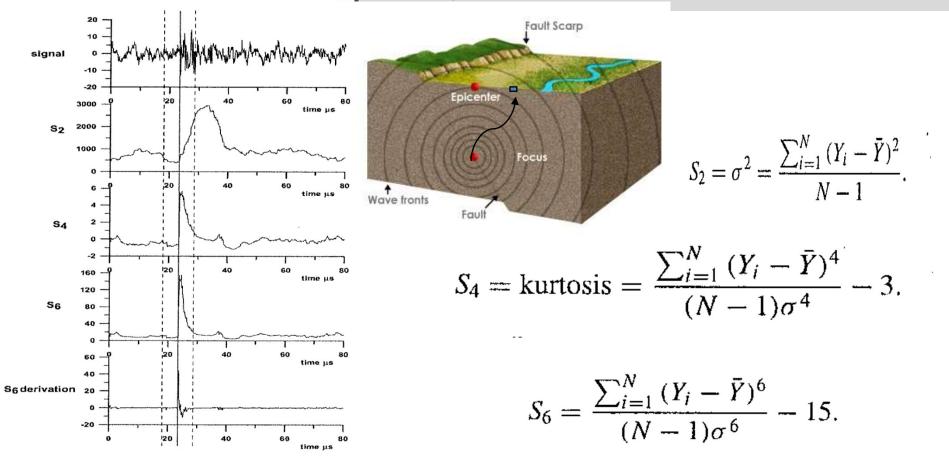


Evaluate different signal analysis methods to minimize noise and enhance "disturbed" signal by defect. Eventually use computer to automatically pick the potential defects.



Signal Analysis Methods from Acoustic Emission (AE)

- AE is used for detecting earthquake
- First arrival of P wave used to estimate hypocenter location

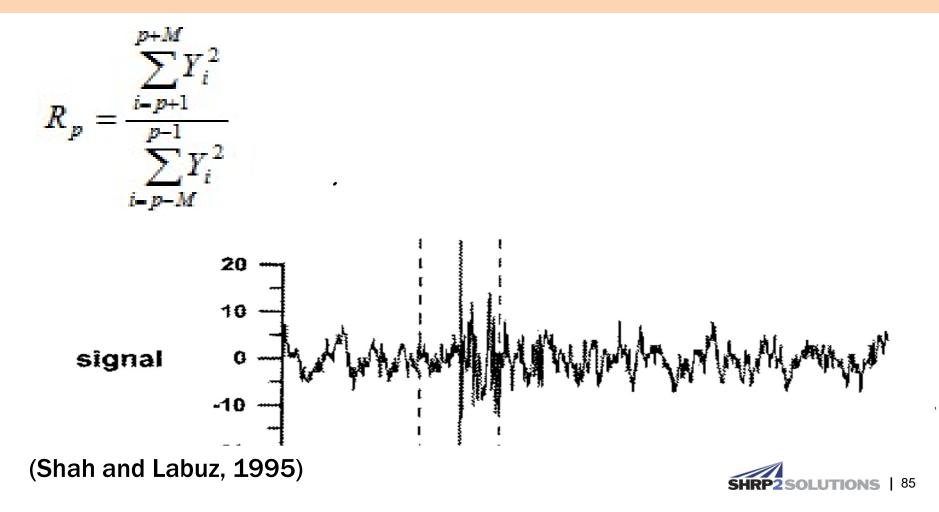


A first arrival identification system of AE Signals T. Lokajicek and K Klima, Meas.Sci. Technol,2006



Maximum Energy Ratio

Energy before and after the first arrival in a small time window has a large difference



NCAT Test Sections

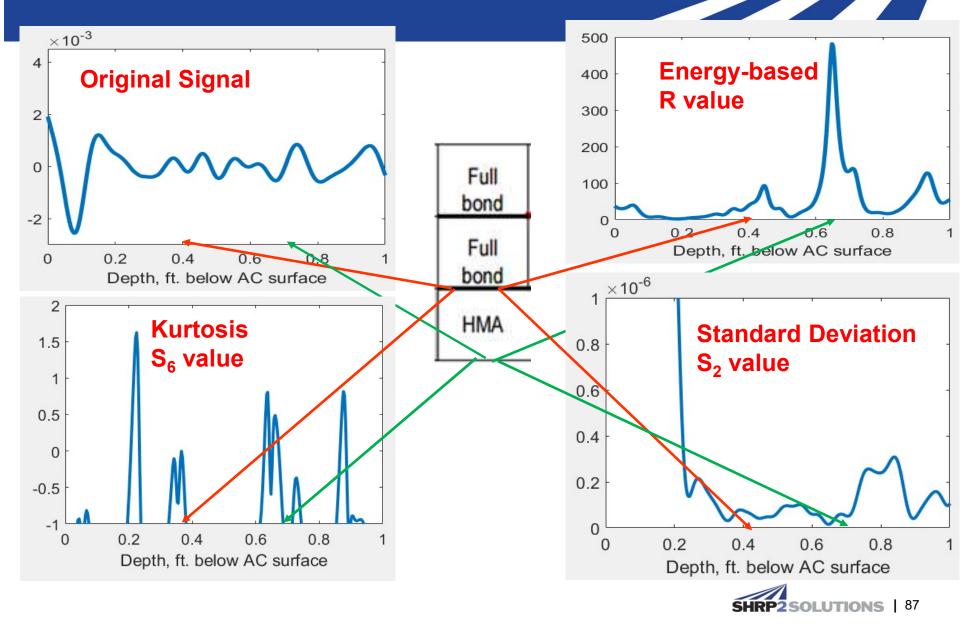
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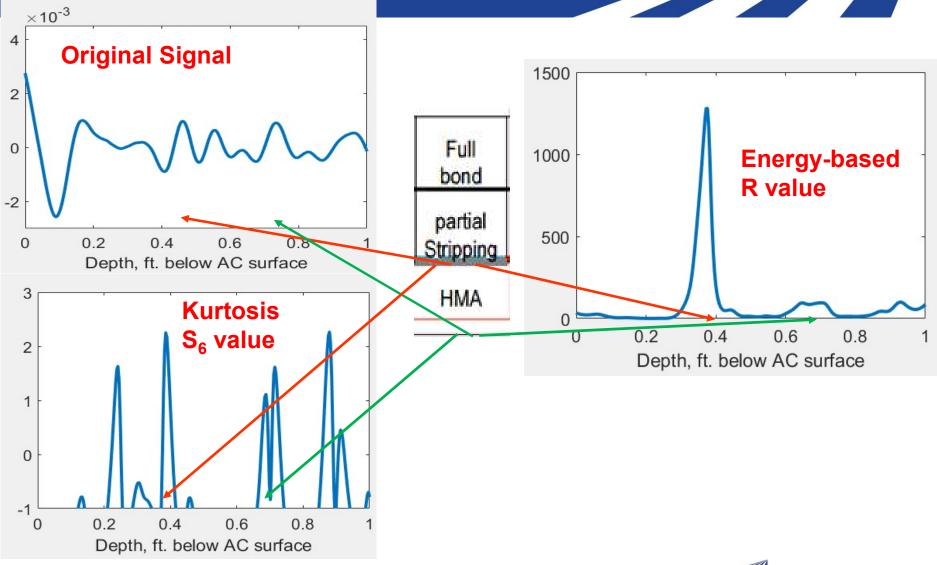




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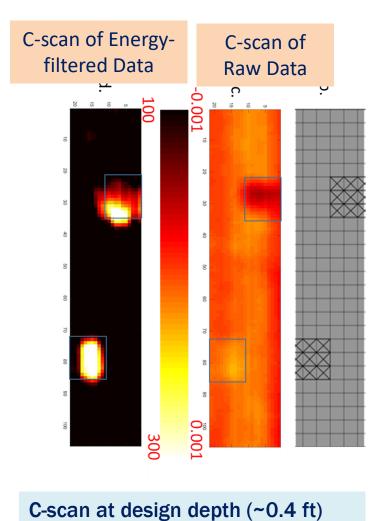


Stripped Location





Raw signal c-scan compared to the filtered data c-scan



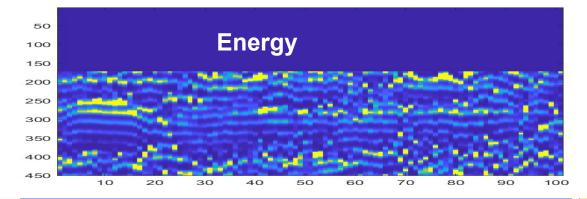
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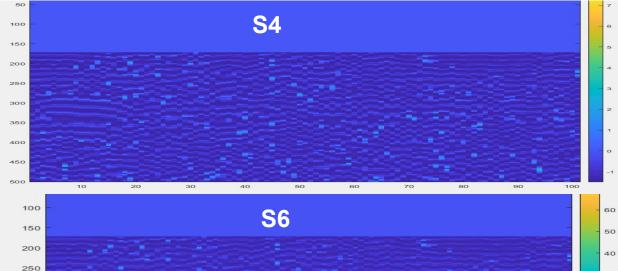
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Analysis Results

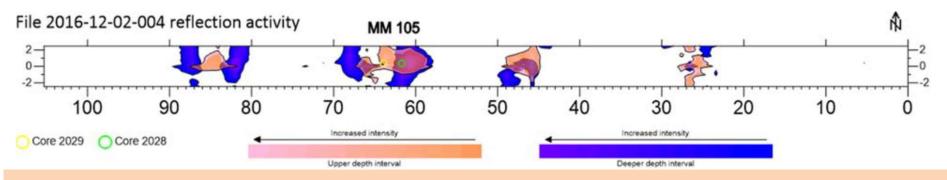




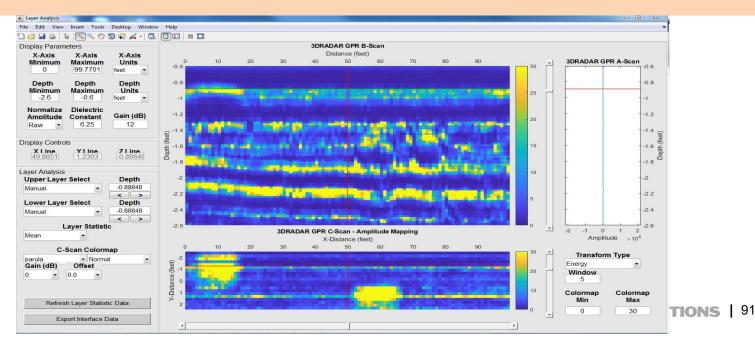


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ExploreGPR: Activity Method (Dr. Ken Maser)



Energy method in ExploreGPR



Summary



- □ On-going effort.
- Energy, S4 and S6 analysis approaches successful in identifying stripping at a controlled section at NCAT.
- Need to be evaluated on multiple field projects where the stripping is more variable.
- Goal: Use different methods to analyze signal. If all or most methods indicate a common area with "unusual" activity, the area is worth to be investigated further, could be "stripping."







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Future R06D Events



SHRP2 Peer Exchange Advanced Methods to Identify Pavement Delamination (R06D) August 1-3, 2018

https://fs6.formsite.com/Mrussell/form198/index.html



SHRP2 R06C Technologies to Enhance Quality Control on Asphalt Pavements: Surface Dielectric Profiling System using Ground Penetrating Radar (DPS GPR) Peer Exchange July 31-August 1



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GoSHRP2 Website:	fhwa.dot.gov/GoSHRP2
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