



ULTRACAM

Field Calibration Report



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UltraCam Lp, GSD25 cm, RGB



Calibration Procedure

The purpose of the Field Calibration is a verification of the camera status and calibration and consists of three major steps:

- 1. Test flight performed by customer
- 2. Processing of images and aerotriangulation (AT) by Vexcel Imaging GmbH
- 3. Analysis of AT results by Vexcel Imaging GmbH

Available Data

Test flight at customer's test site:

Date of flight: 14/02/2019Number of images: 454 (total)

• Flying heights: 1000 m (GSD 5 cm)

1950 m (GSD 10 cm)

• Number of images: 364 (GSD 5 cm)

90 (GSD 10 cm)

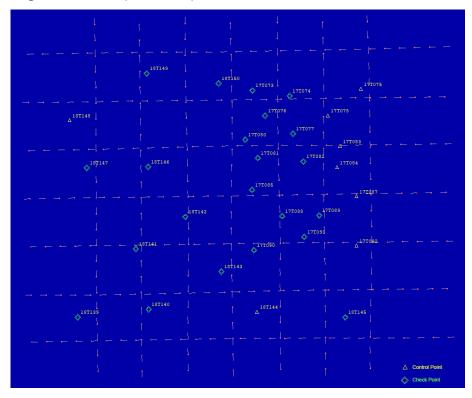
• Ground Control Points: 8 (22 were used as check points)

• Postprocessed GPS/IMU: available

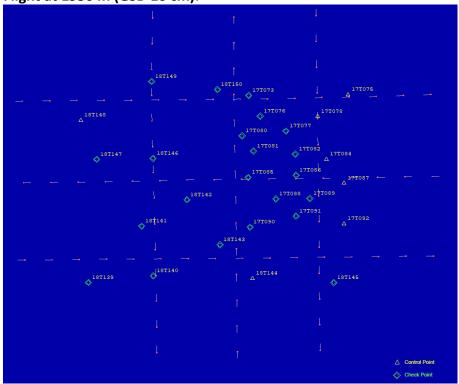
Flight lines look very well done and show good overlap and image quality.



• Flight at 1000 m (GSD 5 cm):



• Flight at 1950 m (GSD 10 cm):





Results

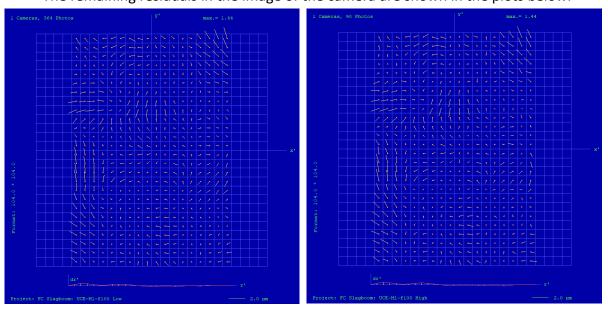
of the Aerial Triangulation with calibration Rev 3 (labor calibration), as currently used by the customer.

The data was processed in UltraMap v4.4.7 by Vexcel Imaging GmbH (Process to Lvl02, Automated Tie Point Collection, Bundle Adjustment and Analysis).

The results of the Bundle Adjustment are shown in the table below.

	Flight 1000 m (GSD 5 cm)	Flight 1950 m (GSD 10 cm)
Sigma 0	1.03	1.14
Mean photo scale	1:9963	1:19407
RMSE of 22 check points X/Y/Z	20/12/23 mm	37/31/31 mm
RMSE of 8 control points X/Y/Z	23/17/25 mm	36/26/33 mm
Number of used Tiepoints	49324	13746
Refraction Correction	used	used
Earth curvature correction	used	used
Residuals of photo measurements	RMS 0.9, 0.9	RMS 1.0, 0.9
(x', y') in photo space(unit μm):	MAX 6.8, 6.7	MAX 5.2, 5.2

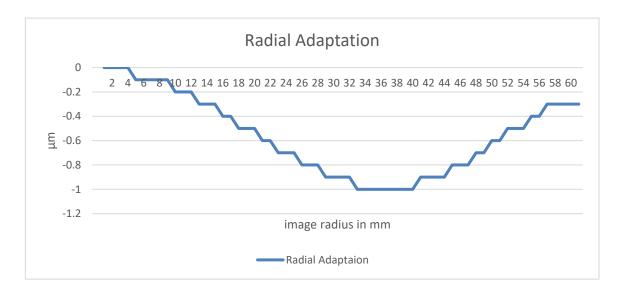
The remaining residuals in the image of the camera are shown in the plots below.





Geometric Adaptations

Radial distortion adjustment



Focal length 0.0562 mm Principal Point unchanged

Change in focal length is compensated via a scale parameter in the digital calibration dataset. The nominal focal length and principle point as given on pages 9 and 10 are valid for further photogrammetric processing.



Additional local corrections in the image plane are computed from both flight missions at 5 cm GSD and 10 cm GSD. The averaged correction values are applied to the camera calibration data set based on a 1 mm by 1 mm look up table. The magnitude of these corrections in x and y is illustrated in the figure below and shows the correction values at 117 even spaced image positions.

	-32	-24	-16	-8	0	8	16	24	32
40	10.0	10.0				4.0	0.6	14.1	10.6
48	18.8 -30.3		-31.0						
40	19.3	14.2	0.2	16	-0.1	_1 0	-0.6	-14.2	_10 7
40			-25.9						
32	19.8	14.8	9.7	4.8	0.1	-4.7	-9.7	-14.3	-18.9
	-20.0	-20.3	-20.5	-19.9	-20.1	-20.2	-20.4	-20.6	-20.7
24	20.4								
	-14.7	-14.9	-15.0	-14.1	-14.2	-14.3	-14.7	-14.7	-14.7
16			9.9 -8.3						
	-8.8	-8.6	-8.3	-8.5	-8.7	-8.9	-9.1	-9.2	-9.2
8			9.6 -4.2						
0			9.4 -0.2						
	10.0	14.0	0.1					12.6	10.0
-8	18.9 2.9					-4.6 4.4		4.9	
-16	18.5	13.8	8 9	4 7	0.0	-4 7	_8 9	-13 4	-17 8
10									
-24	19.3	14.4	9.4	4.8	0.0	-4.8	-8.8	-13.4	-17.8
	12.2	12.8	13.3	13.3	13.4	13.5	13.7	13.8	13.9
-32	19.2								
	16.8	17.4	17.8	17.9	18.1	18.1	18.3	18.3	18.3
-40			9.4 22.1						
	21.3	21.7	22.1	22.4	22.5	22.6	22.6	22.6	22.6
-48	18.9 25.8	14.1 26.0					26.8		

Image correction in x and y given in µm at 117 image positions at an 8 mm grid.



Results

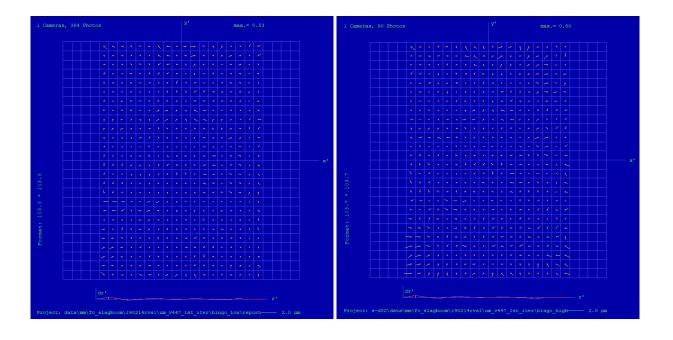
of the Aerial Triangulation with calibration Rev. 04 (field calibration), which will serve as the new calibration for the customer.

The data was processed in UltraMap v4.4.7 by Vexcel Imaging GmbH (Process to Lvl02, Automated Tie Point Collection, Bundle Adjustment and Analysis).

The results of the Bundle Adjustment are shown in the table below.

	Flight 1000 m (GSD 5 cm)	Flight 1950 m (GSD 10cm)
Sigma 0	0.94	1.08
Mean photo scale	1:9958	1:19395
RMSE of 22 check points X/Y/Z	14/12/15 mm	20/18/23 mm
RMSE of 8 control points X/Y/Z	14/9/16 mm	22/20/19 mm
Number of used Tiepoints	49375	13744
Refraction Correction	used	used
Earth curvature correction	used	used
Residuals of photo measurements	RMS 0.9, 0.8	RMS 1.0, 0.9
(x', y') in photo space:	MAX 6.3, 6.2	MAX 5.7, 5.1

The remaining residuals in the image of the camera are shown in the plots below.





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Geometric Specifications

Camera: UltraCam Eagle

Serial: UC-E-1-20816162-f100

Panchromatic Camera: ck = 100.500 mm Multispectral Camera: ck = 100.500 mm

PPA Information: X: 0.000 mm

Y: 0.000 mm



Panchromatic Camera

Large Format Panchromatic Output Image

Image Format	long track cross track	68.016 mm 104.052 mm	13080 pixel 20010 pixel	
Image Extent		(-34.01, -52.02) mm	(34.01, 52.02) mm	
Pixel Size		5.200 μm*5.200 μm		
Focal Length	ck	100.500 mm	± 0.002 mm	
Principal Point (Level 2)	X_ppa	0.000mm	± 0.002 mm	
	Y_ppa	0.000 mm	± 0.002 mm	
Lens Distortion	Remaining Distortion less than 0.002 mm			

Multispectral Camera

Medium Format Multispectral Output Image (Upscaled to panchromatic image format)

Image Format	long track cross track	68.016 mm 104.052 mm	4360 pixel 6670 pixel	
Image Extent		(-34.01, -52.02) mm	(34.01, 52.02) mm	
Pixel Size		15.600 μm*15.600 μm		
Focal Length	ck	100.500 mm	± 0.002 mm	
Principal Point (Level 2)	X_ppa	0.000 mm	± 0.002 mm	
	Y_ppa	0.000 mm	± 0.002 mm	
Lens Distortion	Remaining Distortion less than 0.002 mm			



Conclusion

The tables and plots above show acceptable results for the processing with new the camera calibration. The calibration was verified with two datasets of the same test area acquired at different altitudes. The remaining distortions in the image are within an acceptable range.

This equipment is operating within specification as defined by Vexcel Imaging GmbH.

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