

# A NEW DIGITAL TERRAIN MODEL FOR THE TASMAN GLACIER, NEW ZEALAND, USING DIGITAL PHOTOGRAMMETRY TECHNIQUES

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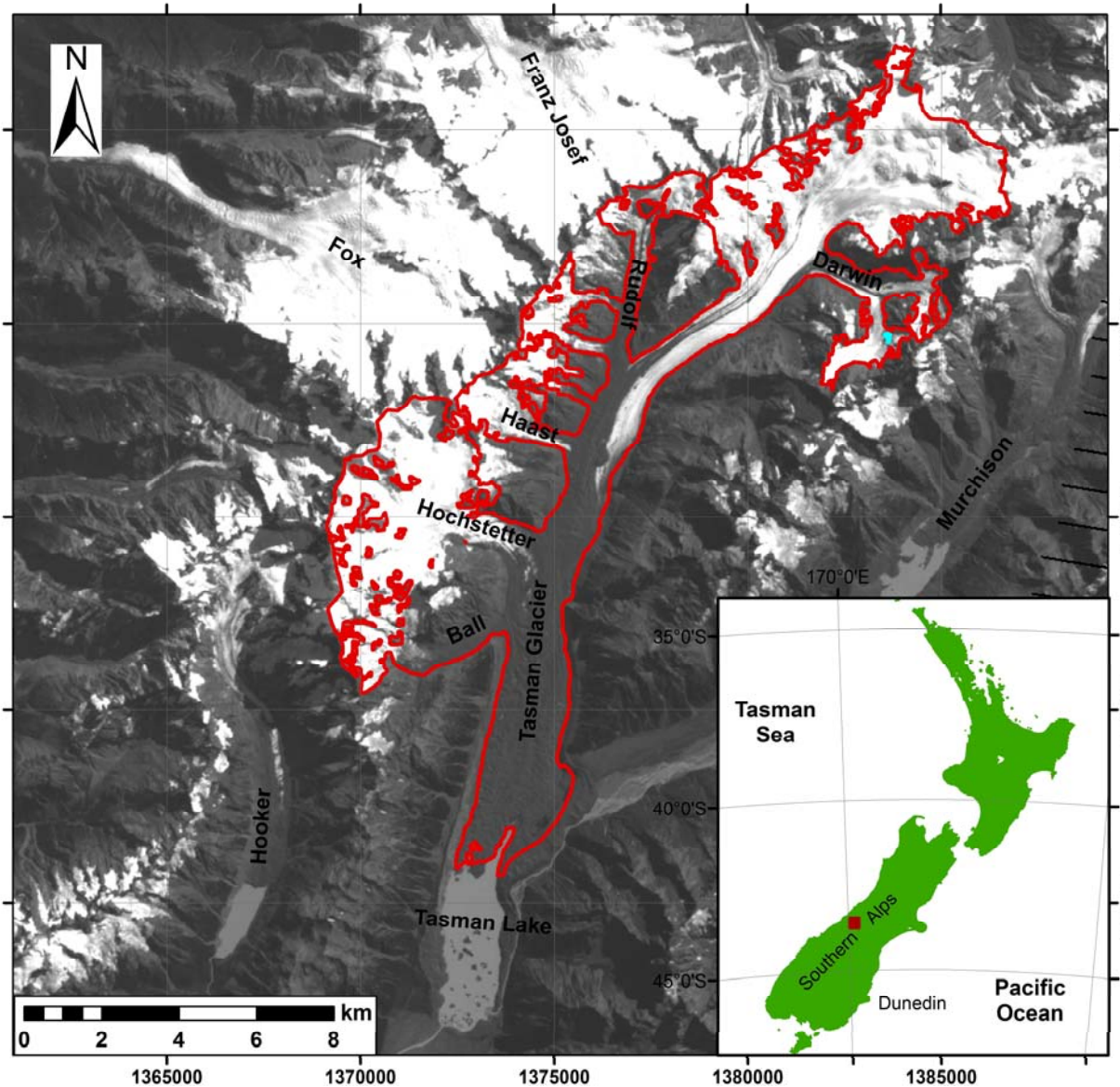
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# INTRODUCTION

## Tasman Glacier



-100 km<sup>2</sup> glacier area (including tributary glaciers)

-30% of the ice volume of NZ

-One of the most studied glaciers in NZ and SH

-Debris covered in the lower area

-Calving terminus

-Slightly negative mass balance index

-Current topography available is derived from a 1986 aerial survey

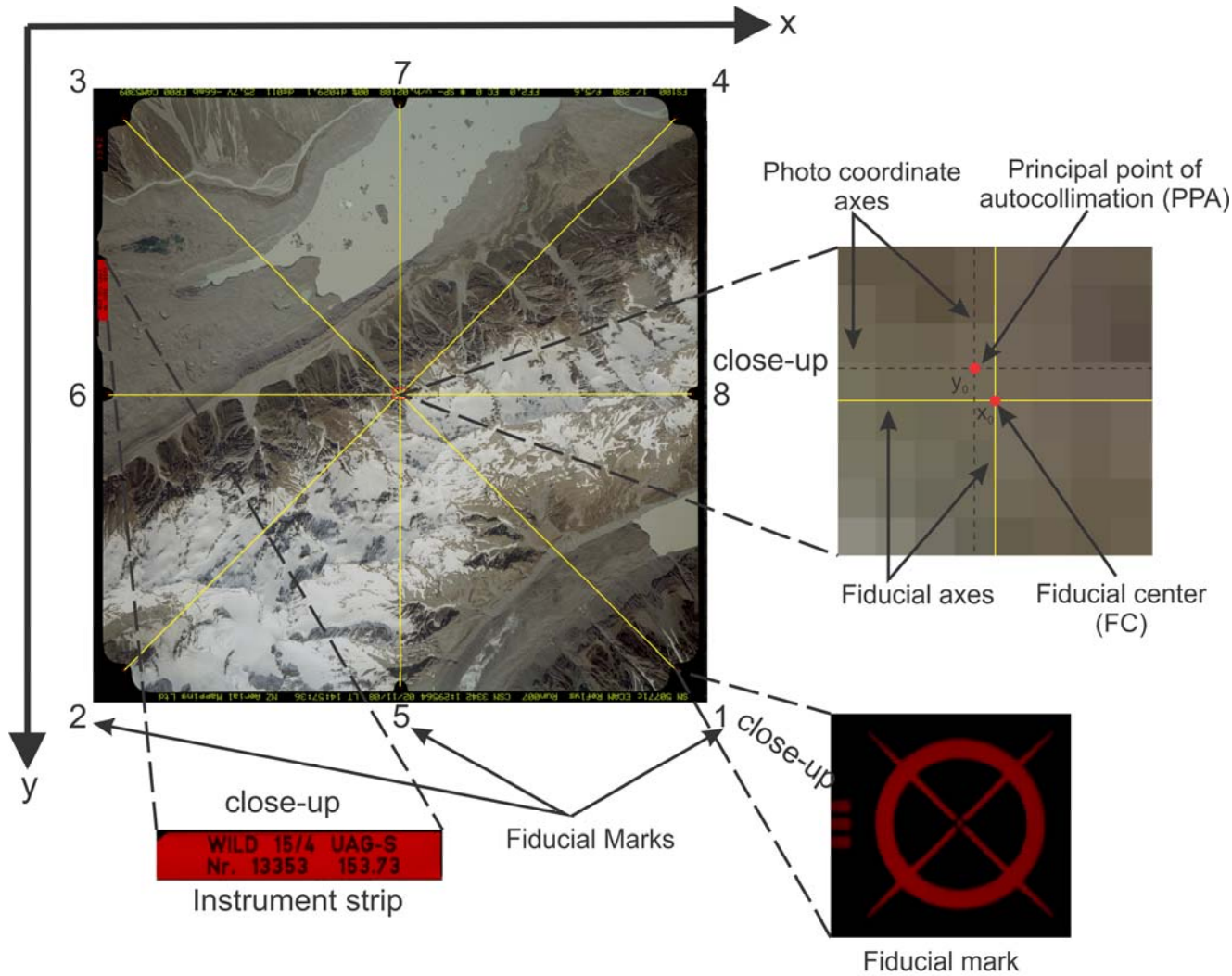
# DATA AND METHODS

- 2008 aerials photographs (digital format)
- Differential GPS Trimble R4
- Trimble Business Center v2.5
- Leica Photogrammetry Suite 2011 (LPS)
- ArcGIS 10

| Survey code | Nominal scale | Survey date | Camera model | Nominal ground resolution (m) |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| 50686c      | 1:40,000      | 08/02/2008  | Leica RC30   | 0.56                          |
| SN8895      | 1:50,000      | 01/02/1986  | Zeiss RMK    | 0.70                          |

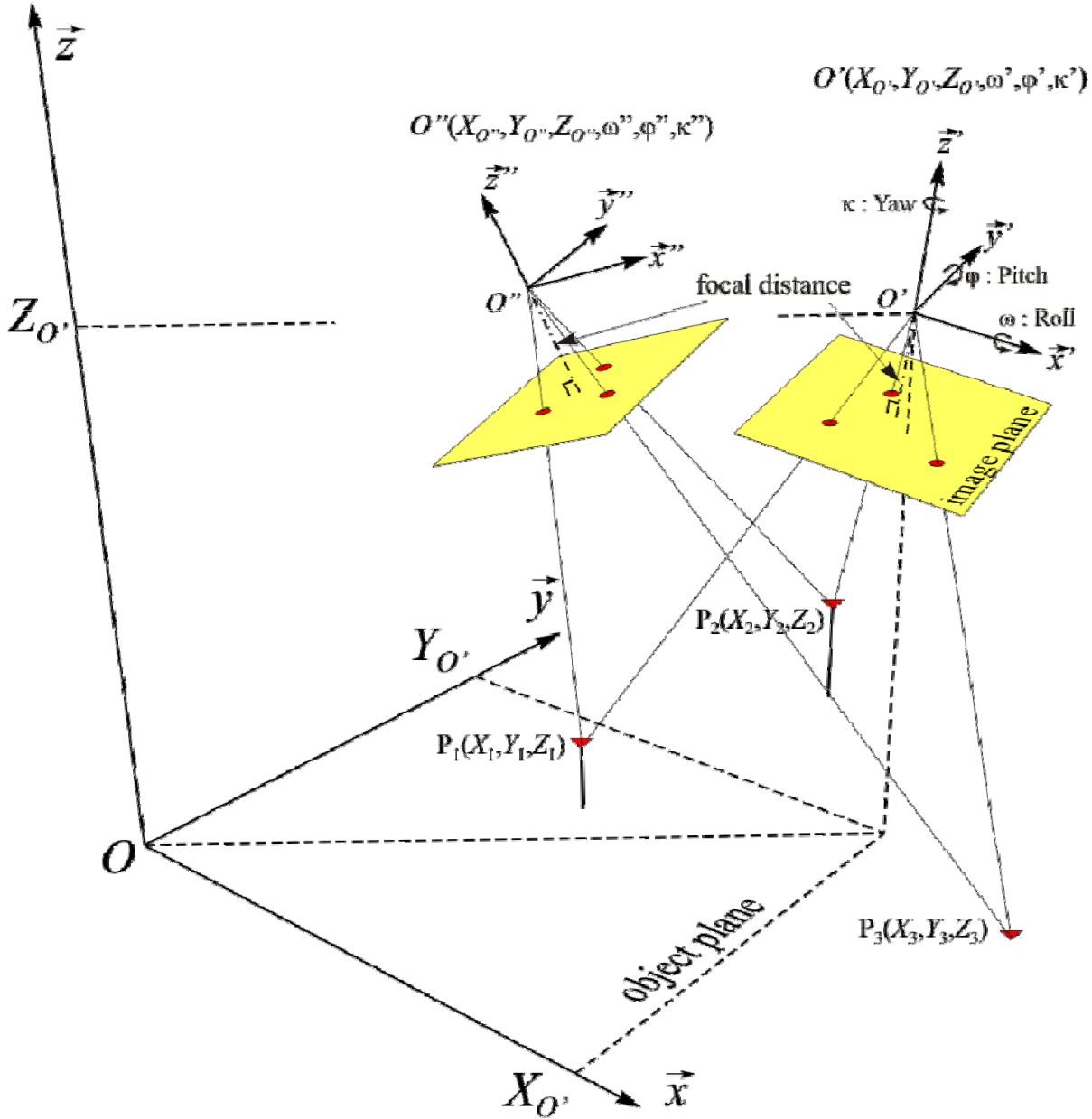
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## Interior Orientation



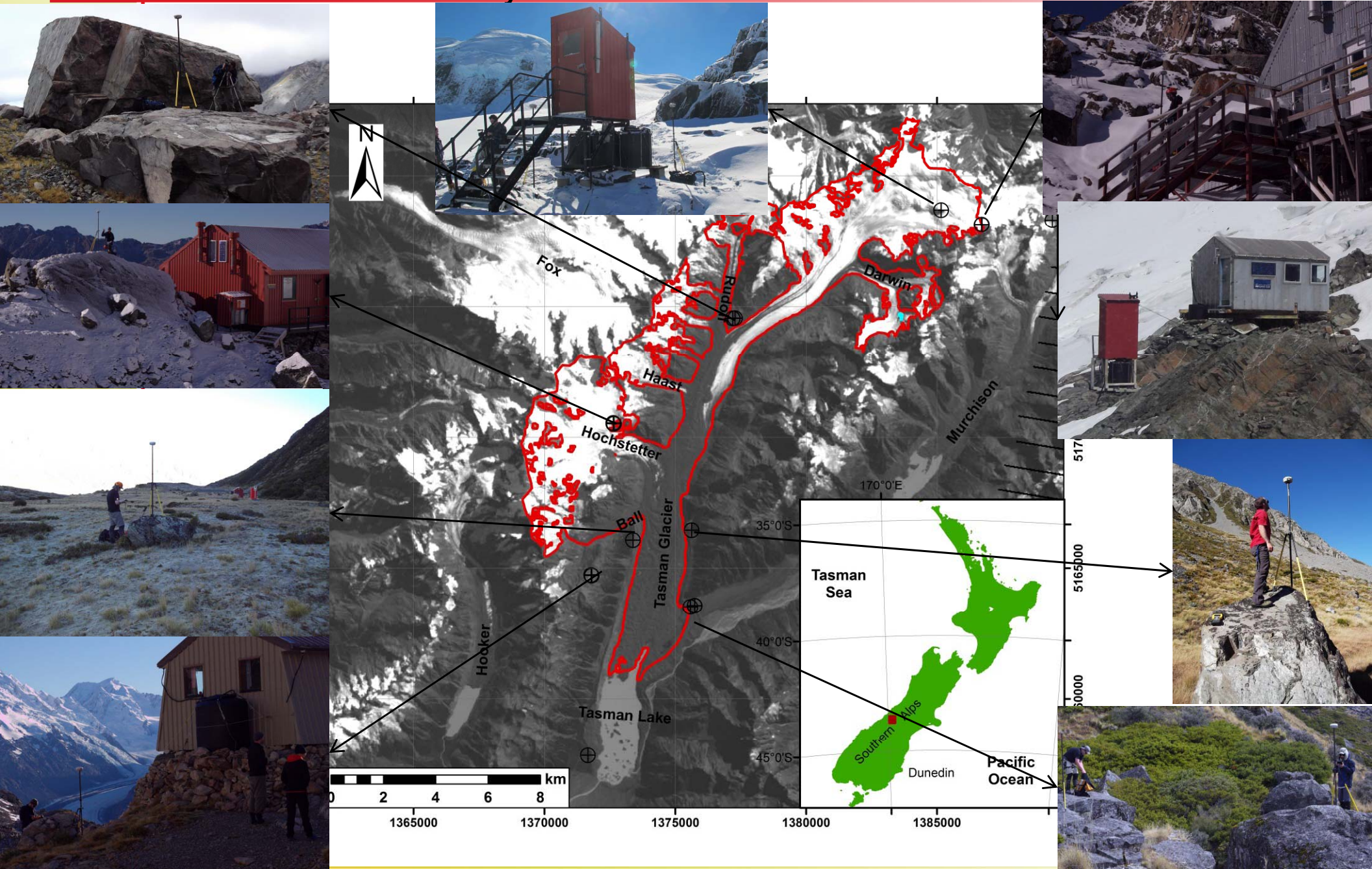
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## Exterior Orientation



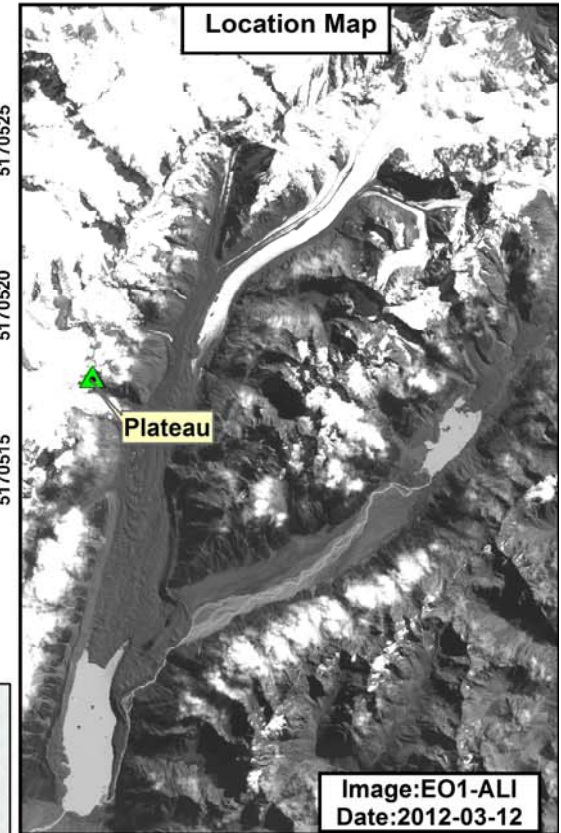
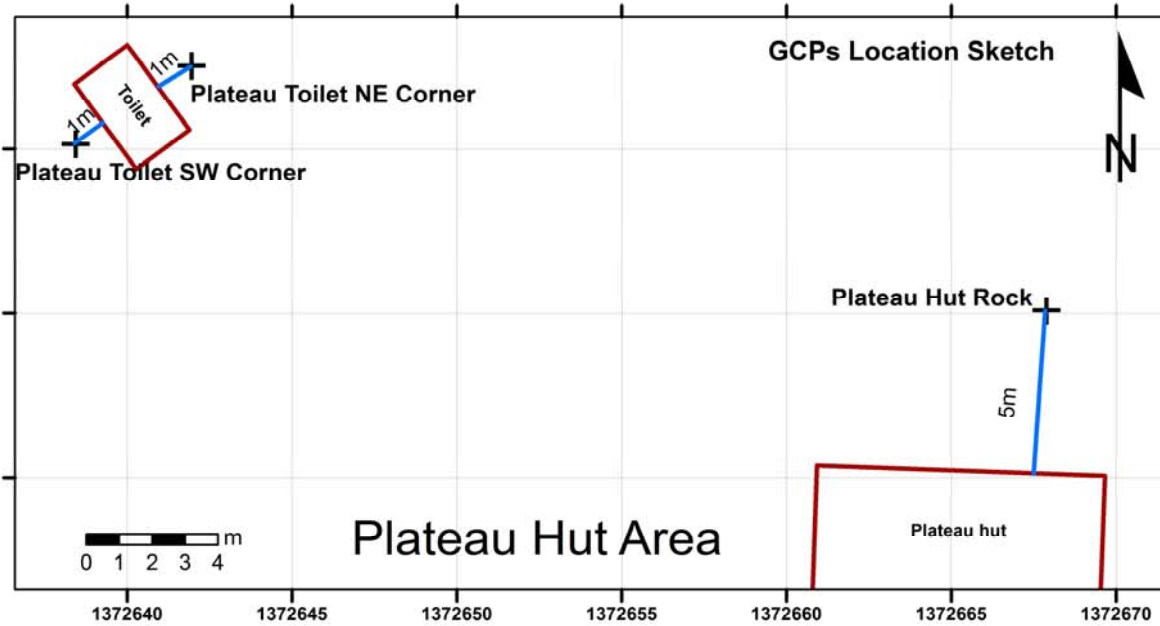
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## Differential GPS Surveys 2011-12



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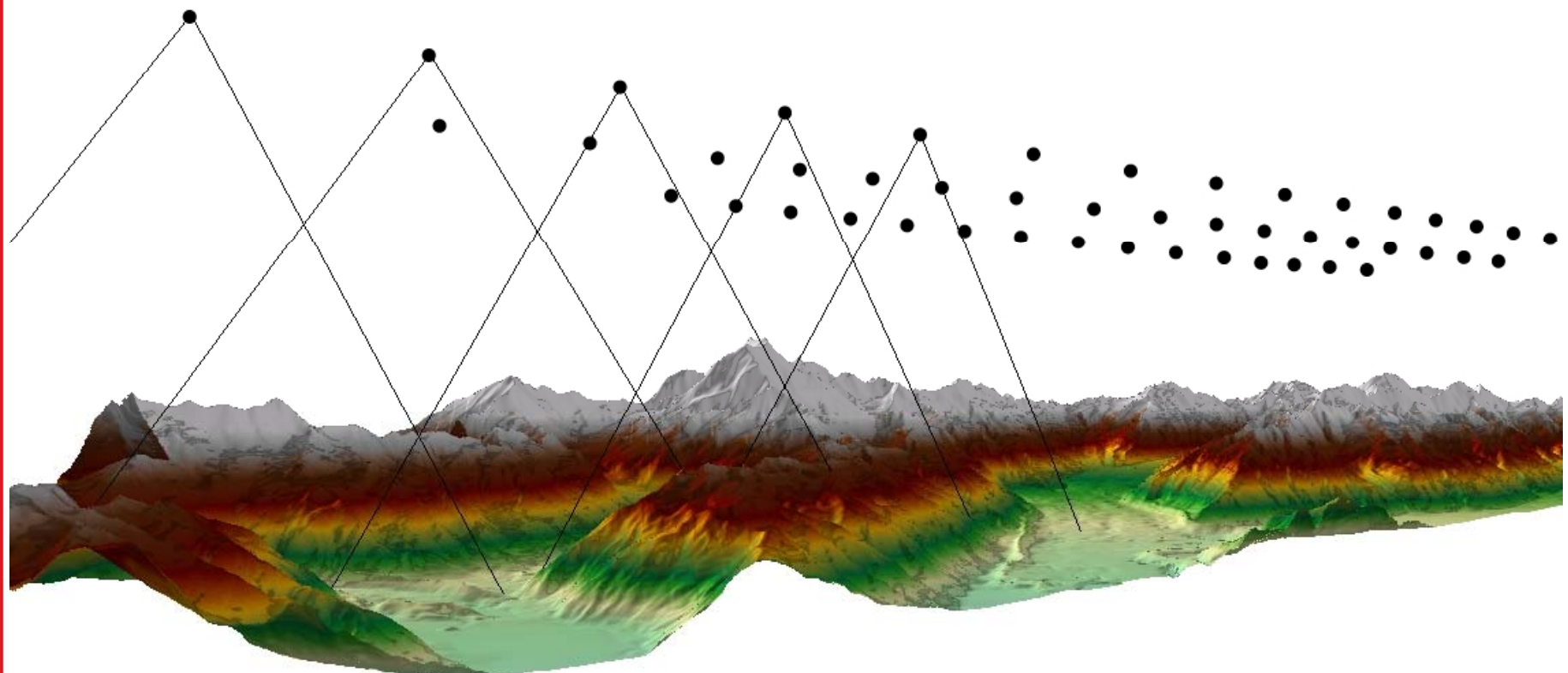
## Ground Control Point selection



**GCPs Table Values**

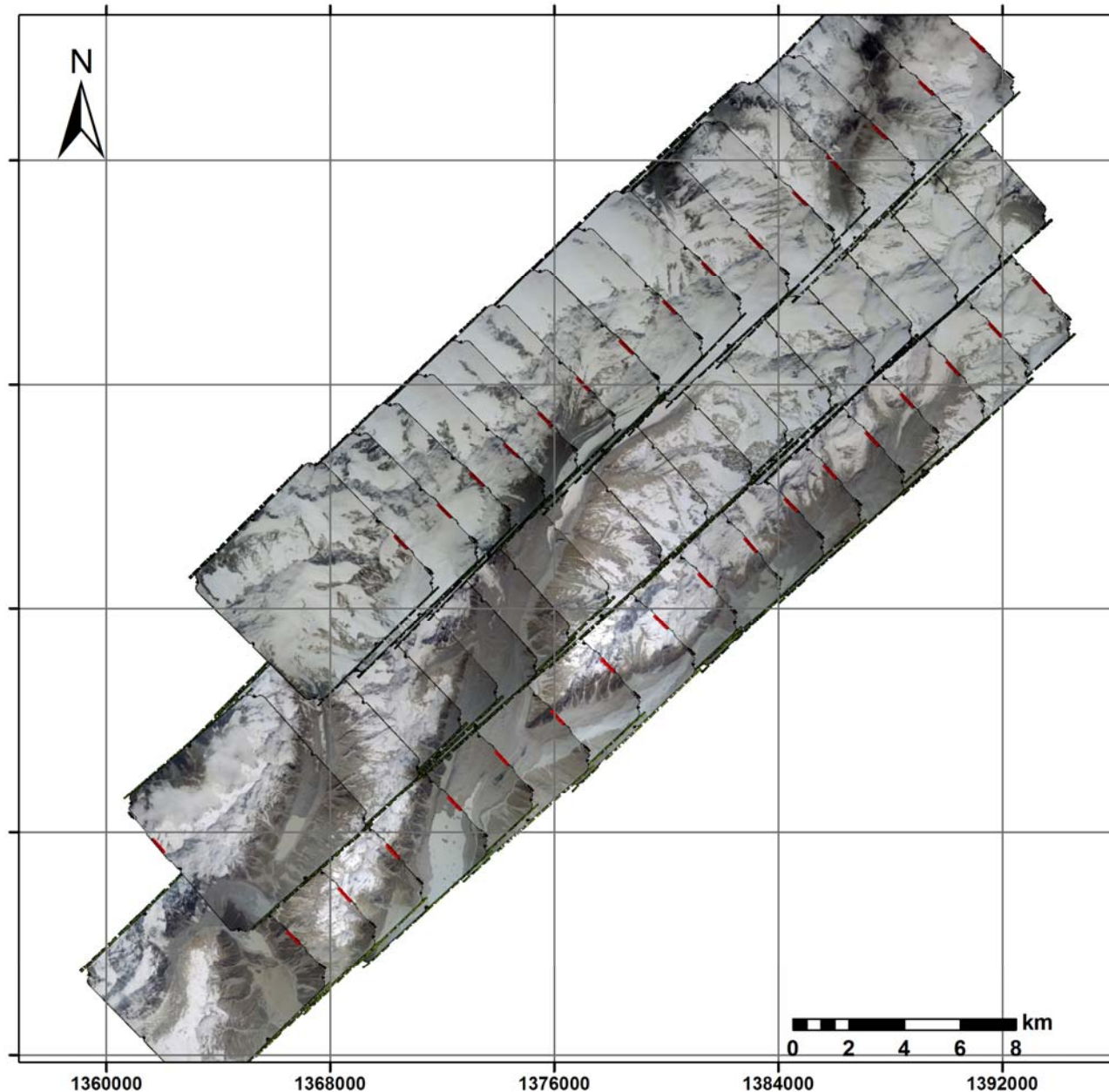
| Name                     | Easting     | Northing    | Elevation_Geoid | Height_Ellipsoid | Latitude         | Longitude         |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Plateau Toilet NE Corner | 1372641.961 | 5170527.507 | 2196.73         | 2210.258         | S43°35'00.73244" | E170°11'01.96016" |
| Plateau Toilet SW Corner | 1372638.446 | 5170525.139 | 2197.227        | 2210.755         | S43°35'00.80523" | E170°11'01.80003" |
| Plateau Hut Rock         | 1372667.899 | 5170520.077 | 2204.775        | 2218.302         | S43°35'01.00145" | E170°11'03.10416" |

**X, Y, Z and Omega, Phi, Kappa**

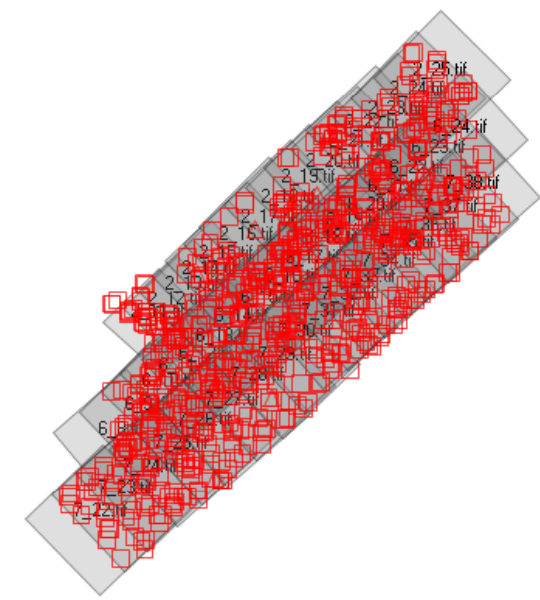


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## Aerial Triangulation 2008

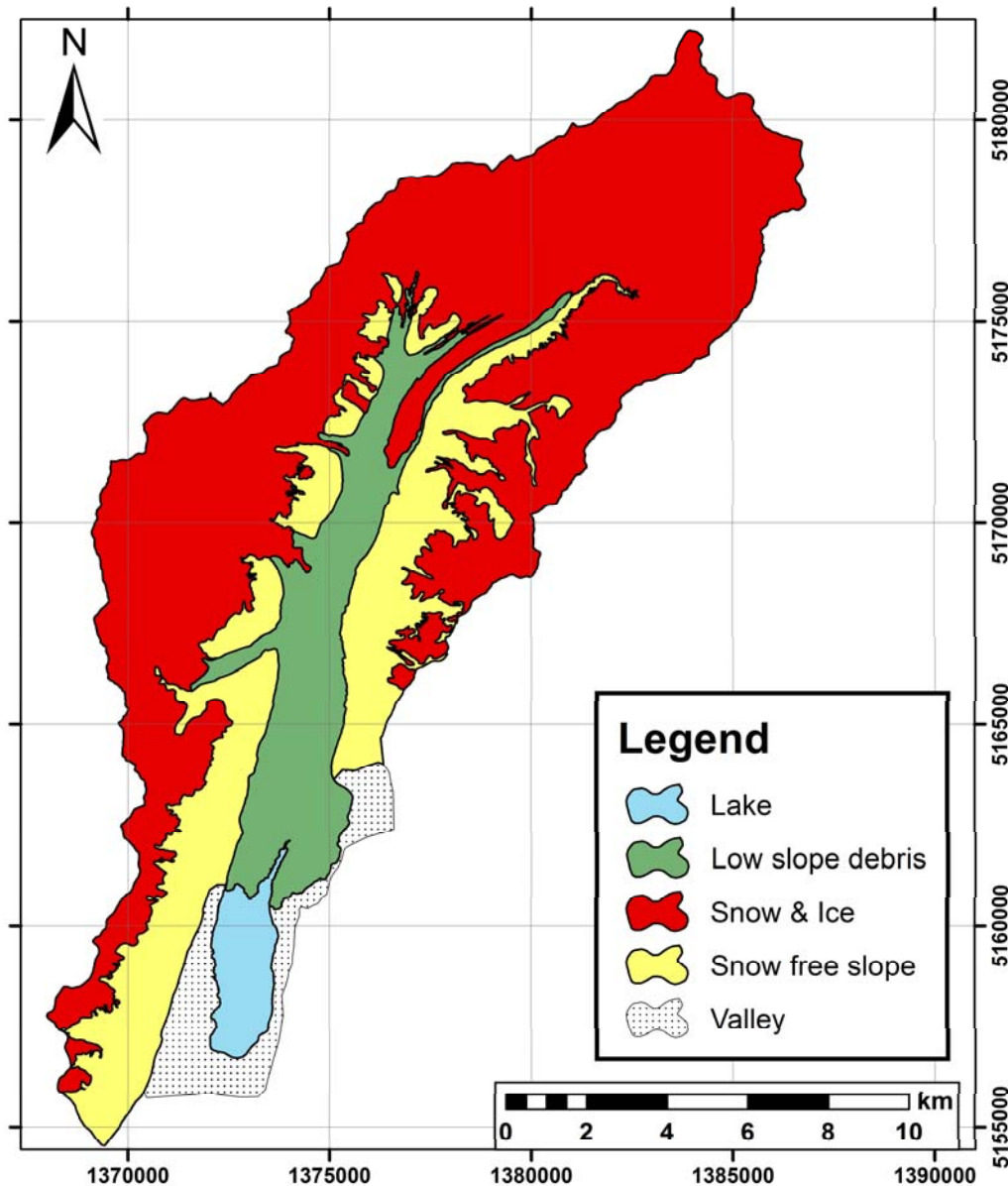


**49 aerial photographs**  
**10 full GCPs**  
**5 Vertical GCPs**  
**750 tie points**  
**Total image unit-weight**  
**RMSE 0.39 pixel**



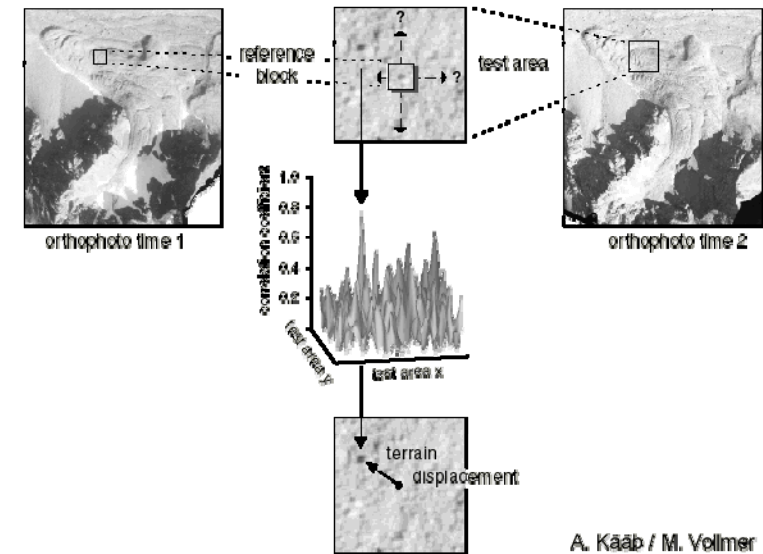
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## Photogrammetric DTM computation



-Enhanced automatic terrain extraction module (eATE)

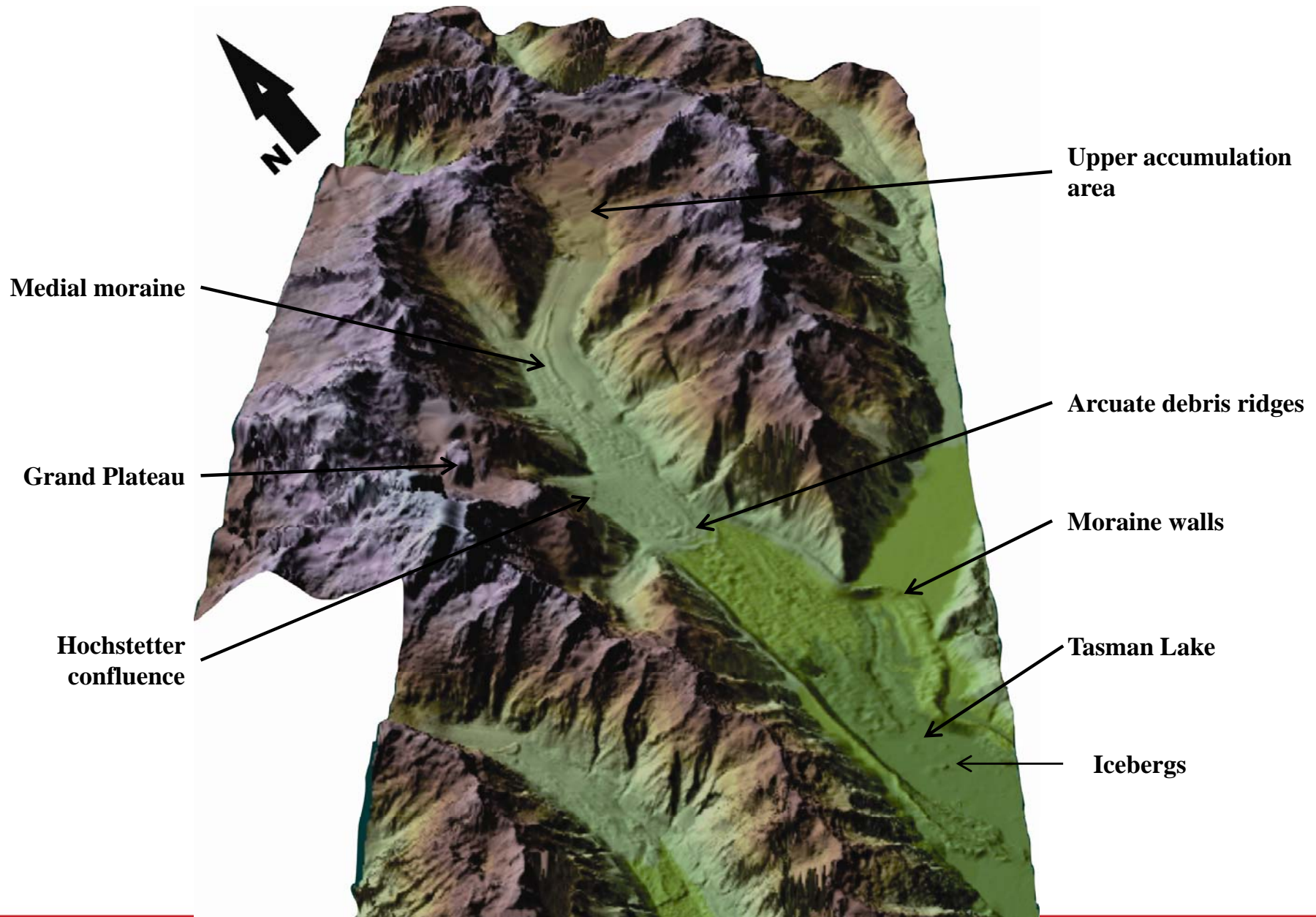
- Find conjugate points in stereo overlaps by means of cross-correlation



-5 custom strategies + default strategy

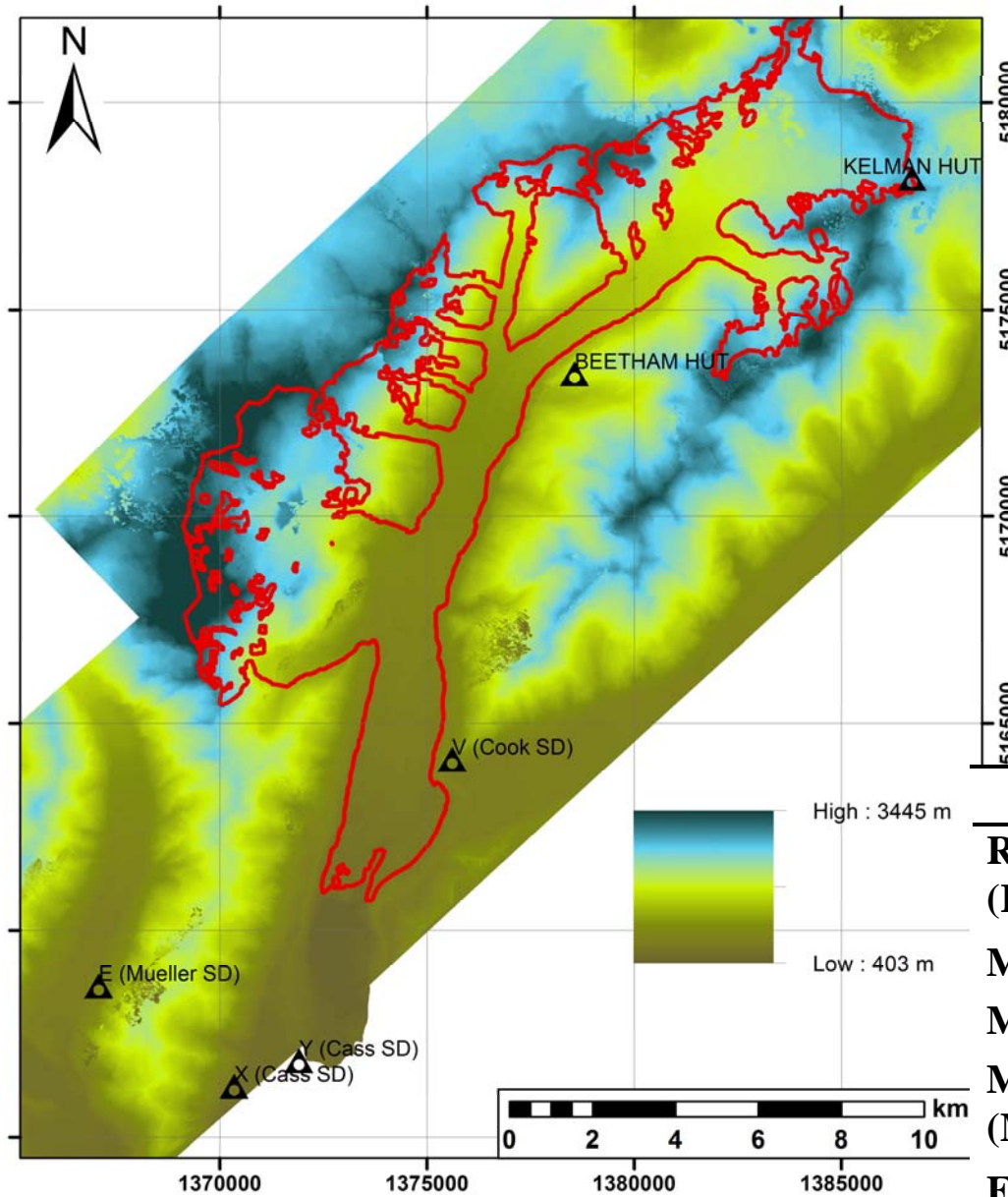
# RESULTS

## Perspective view of the Tasman Glacier DTM



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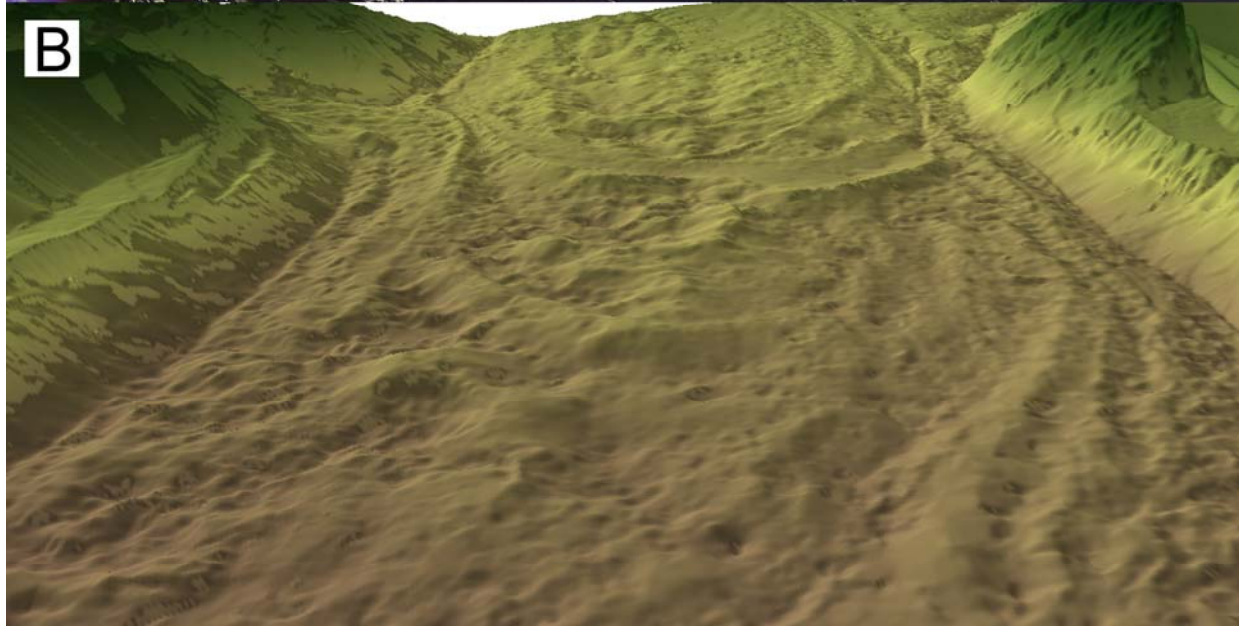
## DTM Error



| Leave-one-out cross validation method | RMSE (m) |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| x                                     | 0.68     |
| y                                     | 0.92     |
| z                                     | 2.05     |

| Statistics                     | Values (m) |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Root mean squared error (RMSE) | 2.970      |
| Mean error (ME)                | -1.271     |
| Mean absolute error (MAE)      | 2.250      |
| Maximum absolute error (MaxAE) | 5.841      |
| Error standard deviation (S)   | 2.940      |

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# CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

- *DTM quality*
  - Higher resolution than any other DTM available for this region
  - Improved vertical accuracy
  - However, this DTM has to be manually corrected and edited
- *Exploiting possible applications of the DTM and aerial block information*
  - Volume change and mass balance estimations
  - Topographical updating
  - Photogrammetry derived ground-control points
  - Better orthorectification of satellite imagery (dynamic environment)
  - Adjustment of coarse DEMs (e.g. ASTER DEMs) using this model as a reference.

# THANKS, QUESTIONS? GRACIAS, ¿PREGUNTAS?

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