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# **Long-Term Performance of Concrete Overlay US-1 Florida Case Study**

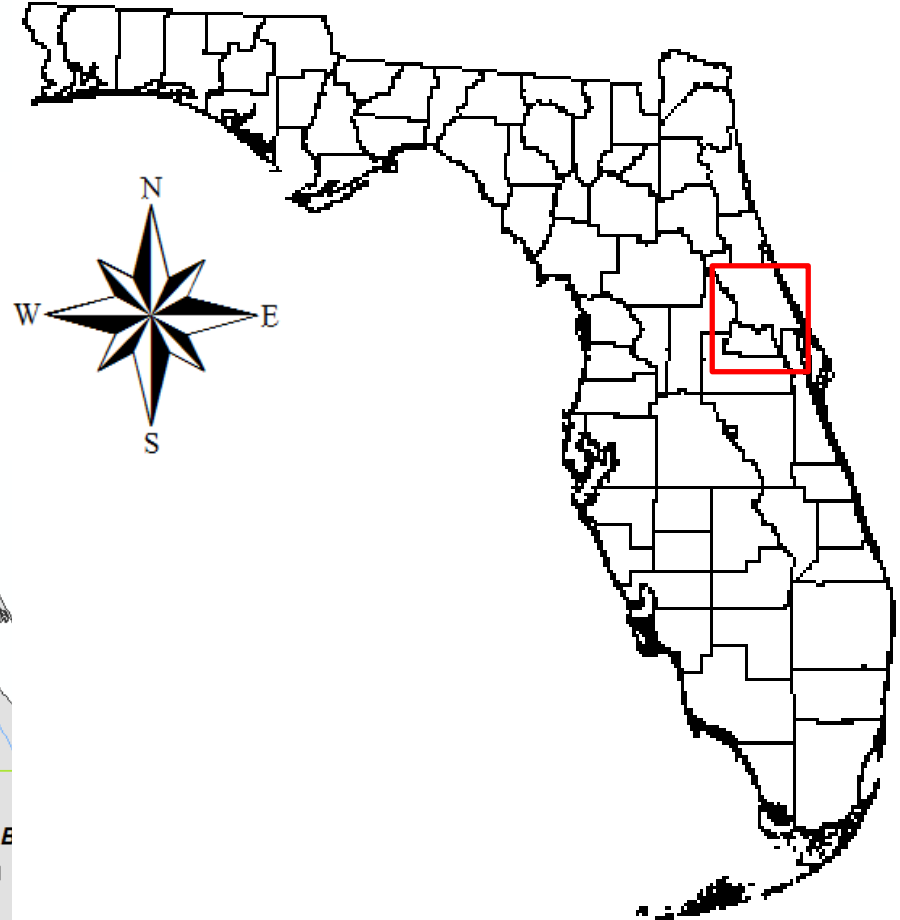
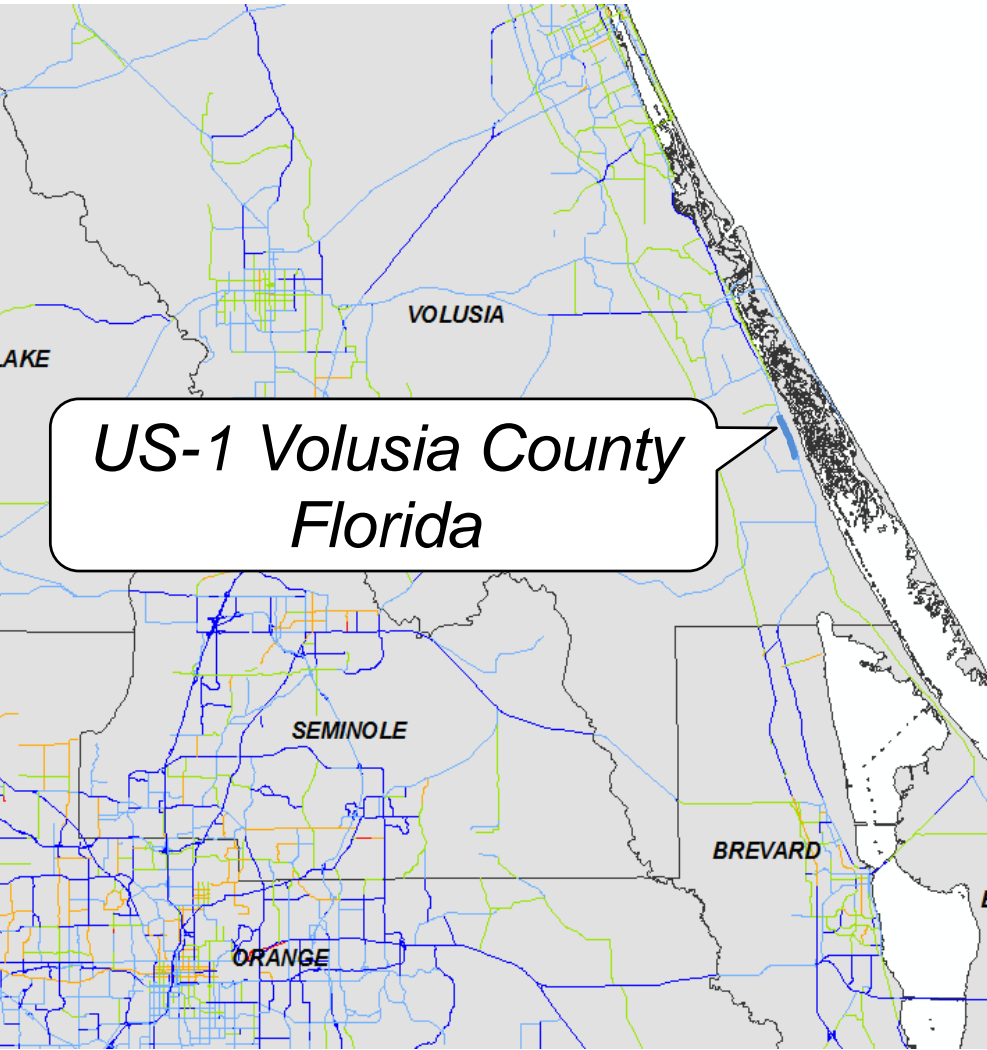
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# Project Overview



# Project Objectives

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1. Long-term Performance of Concrete Overlay
2. Performance Comparison of Three Different Laser Sensors



# Project Overview

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- Existing AC was milled 4 inches
- Milled surface overlaid with 1 inch type S AC
- Ready-mix concrete, fixed form paving
- Whitewashing to cool the AC
- Joints sealed with low modulus silicon
- Transverse tinning and diamond grinding
- Two southbound lanes





# Project Overview

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- 10 years, 1.2 million ESALs
- Test sections (19)
  - Section length: ~500 feet
  - Slab thickness: 6, 7, 8 inches
  - Slab length: 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 feet
  - Dowel-bar configuration: Standard (St), Special (Sp)\*
    - 1" diameter (7 inch, 8 inch, and Control sections)
    - ¾" diameter (6 inch sections)



# Project Overview

- *Dowel-bar configuration:*

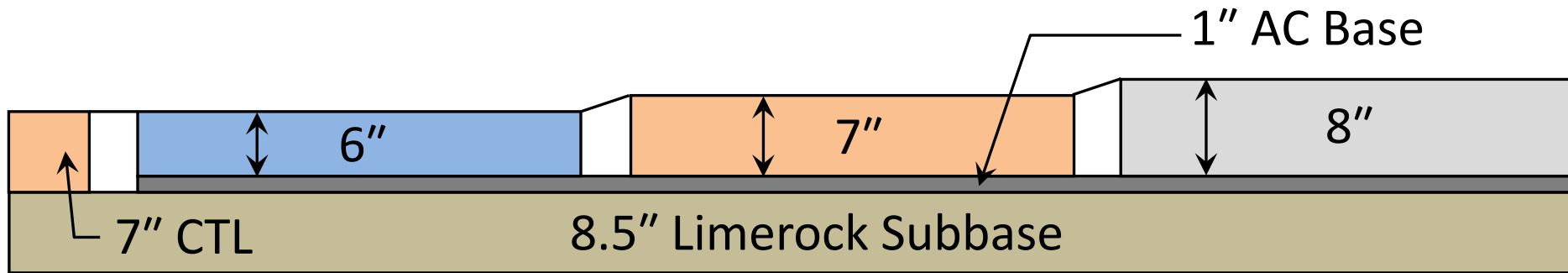
*Standard (ST)*



*Special (SP)*



# Project Overview



- Section ID

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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- Slab thickness

14	12	14	16	12	14	16	14	16	18	14	16	18	16	18	20	16	18	20
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- Dowel-bar configuration

St	Sp	St	Sp	St	Sp	St
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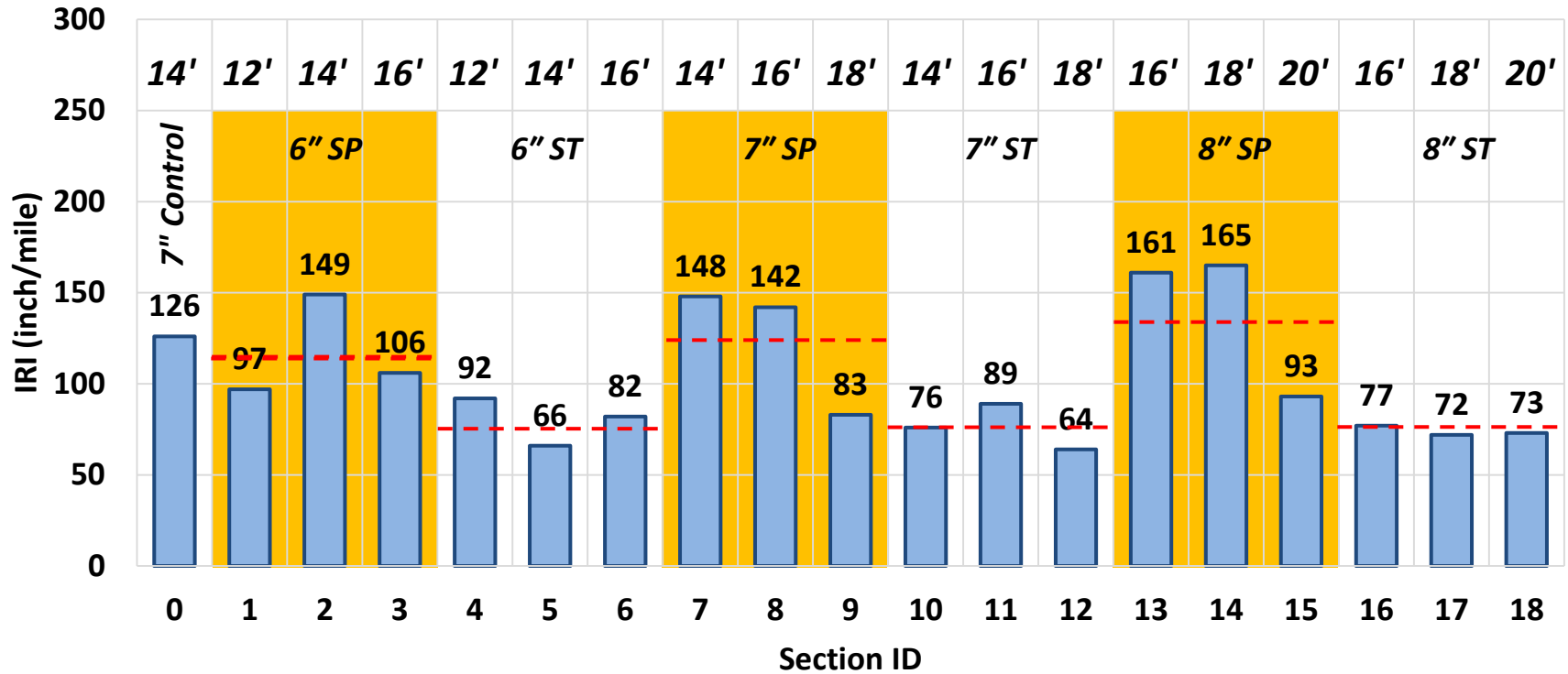


# 1. Long Term Performance of Concrete Overlay





# Smoothness



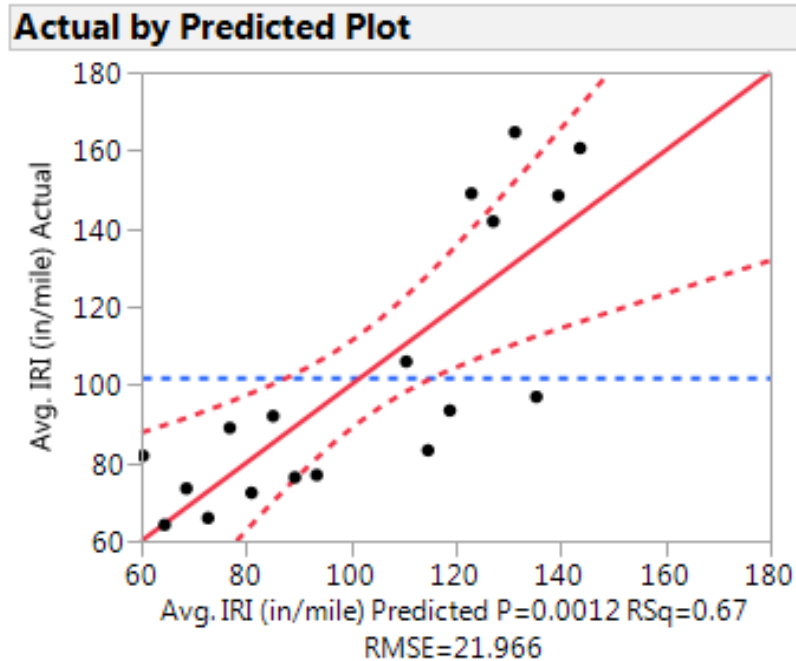


# Smoothness

Slab Thickness (in)	Dowel Config.	Joint Spacing (ft)	Average IRI (in/mile)	IRI Difference
6	SP	12 - 16	117	37
	ST		80	
7	SP	14 - 18	124	48
	ST		76	
8	SP	16 - 20	140	66
	ST		74	

# Regression Analysis

## ■ *Smoothness*

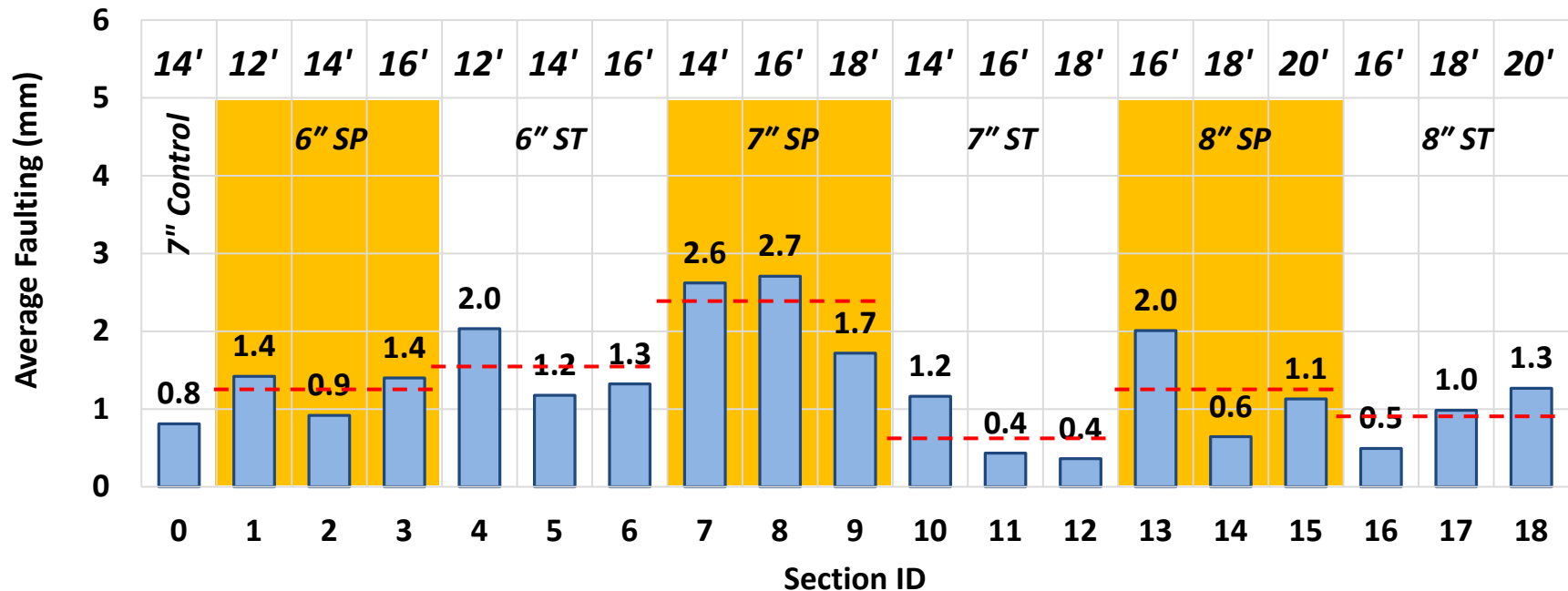


**Parameter Estimates**

Term	Estimate	Std Error	t Ratio	Prob> t
Intercept	85.346111	45.1354	1.89	0.0795
Length	-6.210833	3.170488	-1.96	0.0703
Dowel[Spe]	25.123333	5.177385	4.85	0.0003*
Thick	16.575	8.967494	1.85	0.0858

✓ **Dowel-bar configuration has the most significant effect on smoothness**

# Faulting



✓ Slabs with special dowel bar configuration have relatively higher faulting

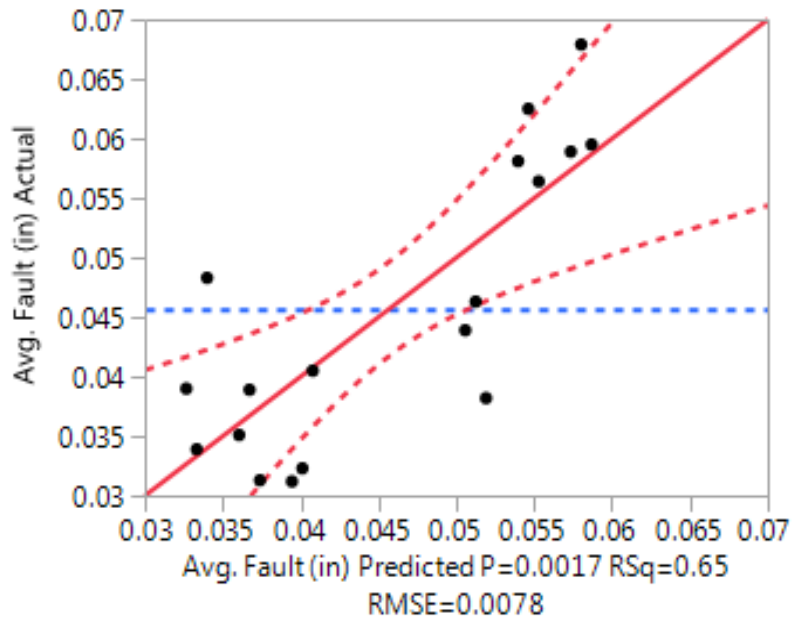
# Faulting

Slab Thickness (in)	Dowel Config.	Joint Spacing (ft)	Average Faulting (mm)	Faulting Difference
6	SP	12 - 16	1.3	0.3
	ST		1.0	
7	SP	14 - 18	1.5	0.6
	ST		0.9	
8	SP	16 - 20	1.4	0.5
	ST		0.9	

# Regression Analysis

## ■ *Faulting*

Actual by Predicted Plot



Parameter Estimates

Term	Estimate	Std Error	t Ratio	Prob> t
Intercept	0.0537361	0.016054	3.35	0.0048*
Length	-0.001696	0.001128	-1.50	0.1548
Dowel[Spe]	0.0089556	0.001841	4.86	0.0003*
Thick	0.002725	0.00319	0.85	0.4073

✓ **Dowel-bar configuration has the most significant effect on faulting**

# Summary

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- *For faulting and smoothness, long-term performance results show ...*
  - *Slabs with standard dowel-bar configuration provide smoother ride with lower faulting*
  - *Slab length and thickness have a relatively insignificant effect on smoothness and faulting*



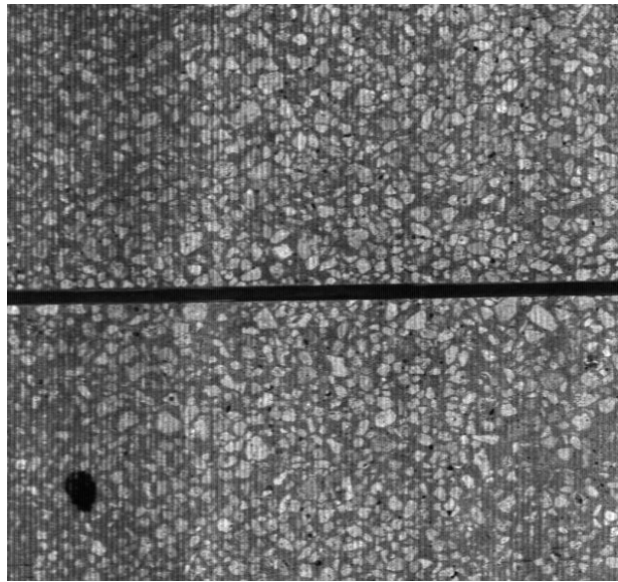
## **2. Performance Comparison of Three Different Laser Sensors**



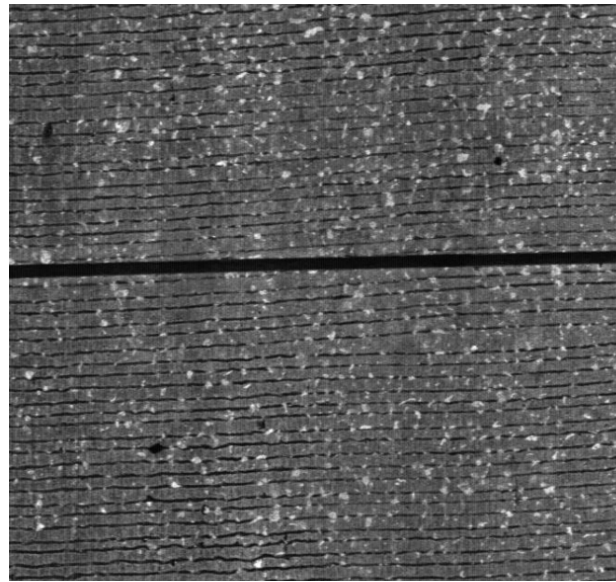


# US1 Texture

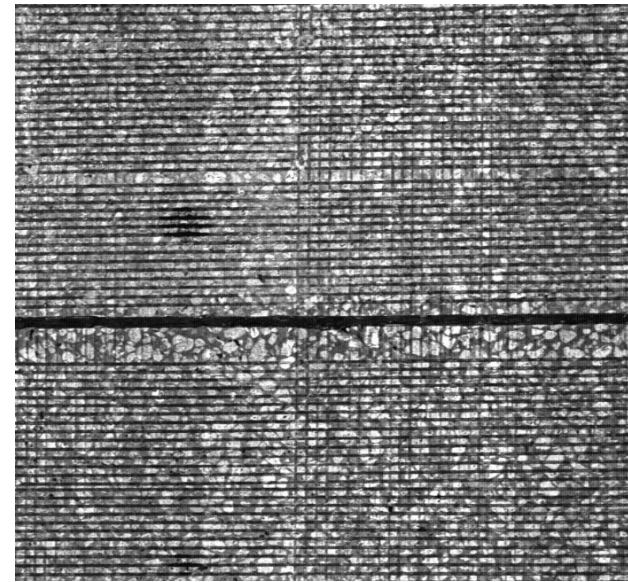
- *3 different textures*



**Diamond Grinding**  
(standard in FL)



**Transverse Tining**



**“Two-Way” Diamond Grinding** (atypical)

# Data Collection

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- Device

- High speed profiler
- 5 passes
- 40 mph

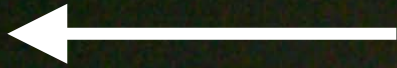
- Test Parameters

- Single Spot, Widespot and Roline
- All mounted in LWP
- 0.78 inch sampling
- 0.001 mile reporting



# Height Lasers

Direction of Travel



*Single Spot*

*Wide Spot*

*Roline*



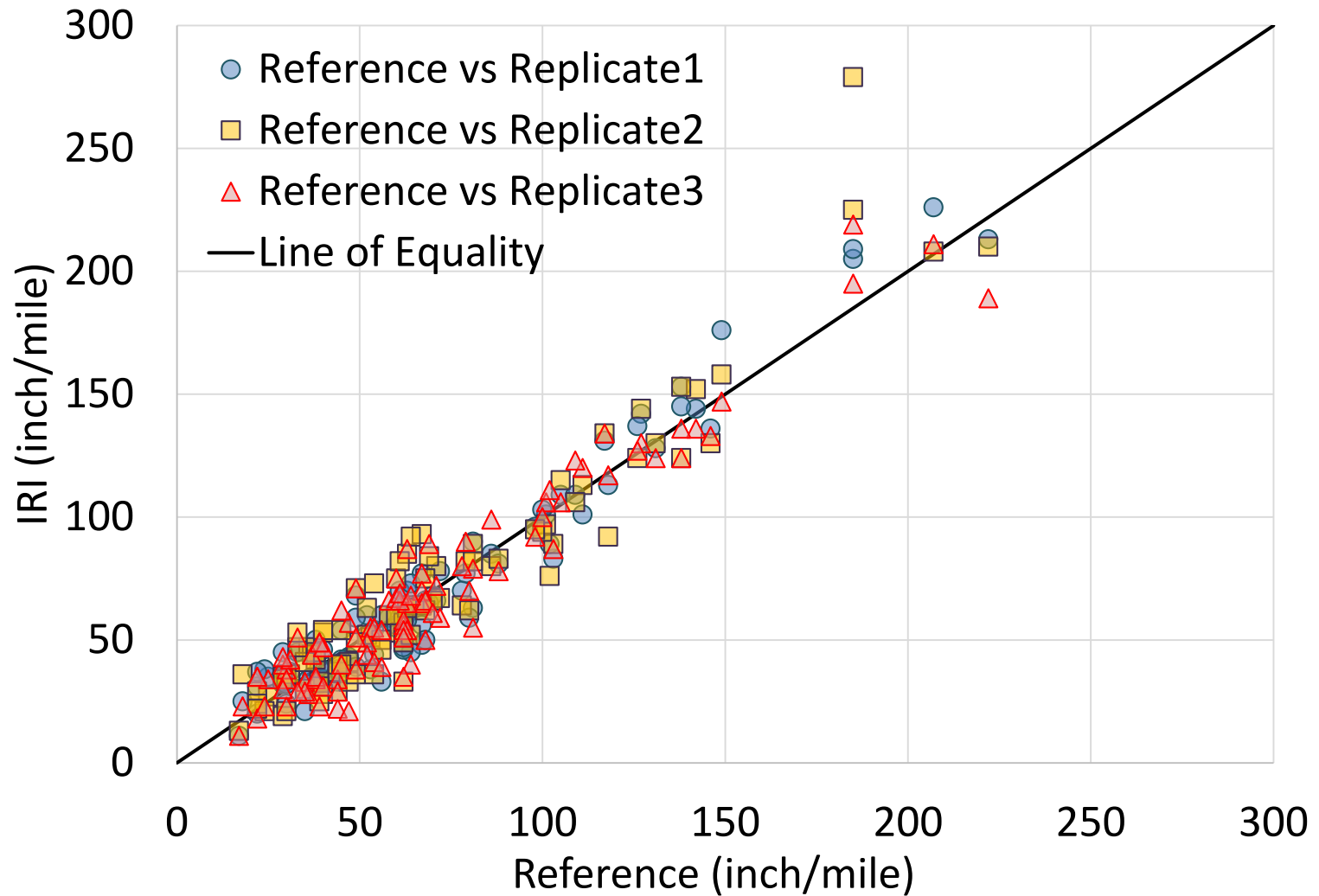
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# Marked LWP



# Single Spot Repeatability

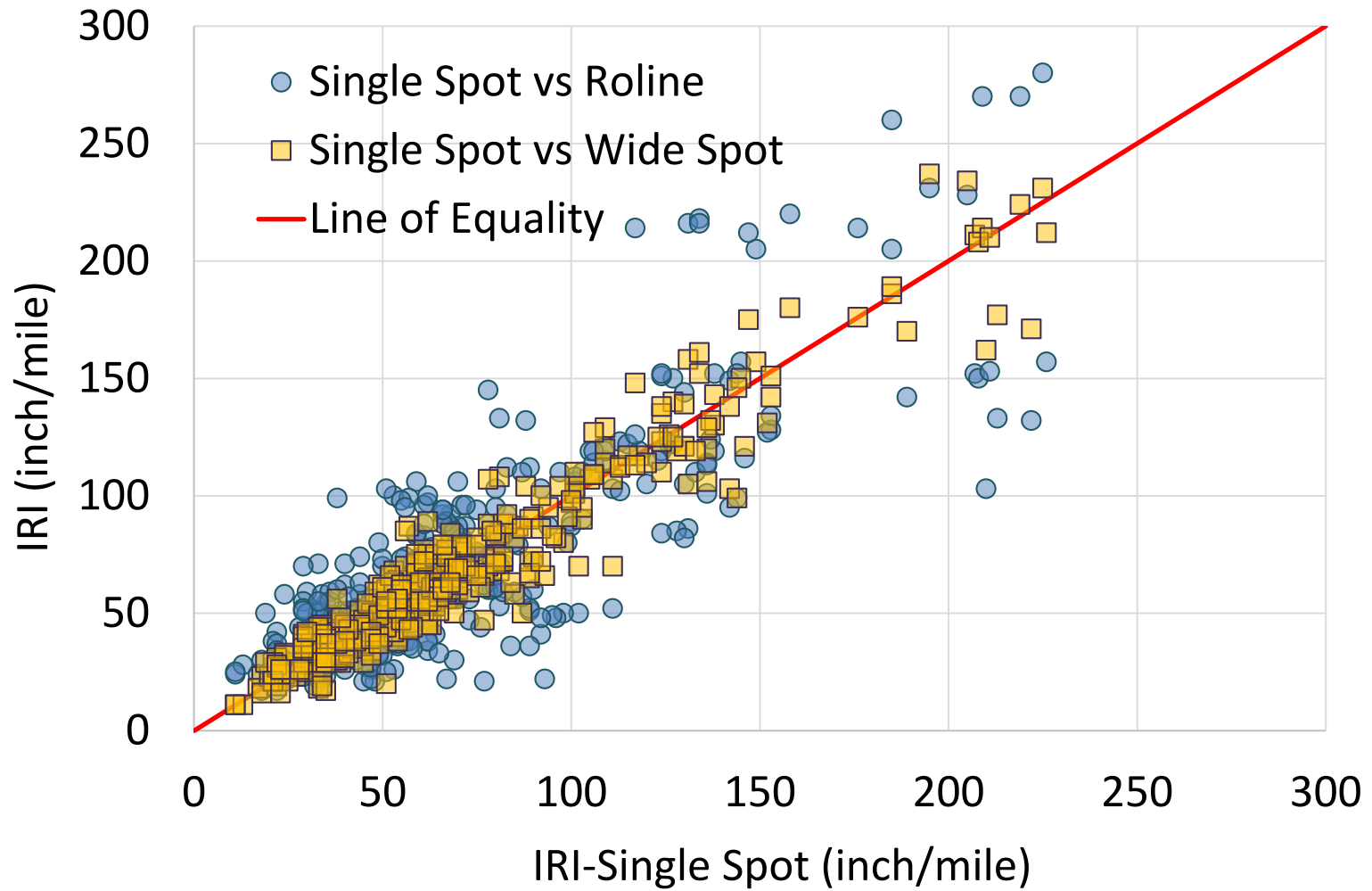


# Sensor Repeatability

<i>Sensor</i>	<i>IRI (in/mile)</i>				
	<i>Run 2</i>	<i>Run 3</i>	<i>Run 4</i>	<i>Run 5</i>	<i>Average</i>
<i>Single Spot</i>	95.1	95.8	95.7	95.2	95.5
<i>Wide Spot</i>	95.9	96.3	96.4	96.1	96.2
<i>Roline</i>	94.0	94.1	94.6	94.2	94.2

<i>Sensor</i>	<i>Repeatability Cross Correlation (%)</i>		
	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Max.</i>	<i>Average</i>
<i>Single Spot</i>	93.0	95.9	95.0
<i>Wide Spot</i>	96.6	97.9	96.6
<i>Roline</i>	94.9	97.4	95.8

# Sensor "Reproducibility"





# Sensor Reproducibility

<b><i>Correlated Sensors</i></b>	<b><i>Reproducibility Cross Correlation (%)</i></b>
<b><i>Single Spot vs Wide Spot</i></b>	93.3
<b><i>Single Spot vs Roline</i></b>	94.9
<b><i>Wide Spot vs Roline</i></b>	93.8



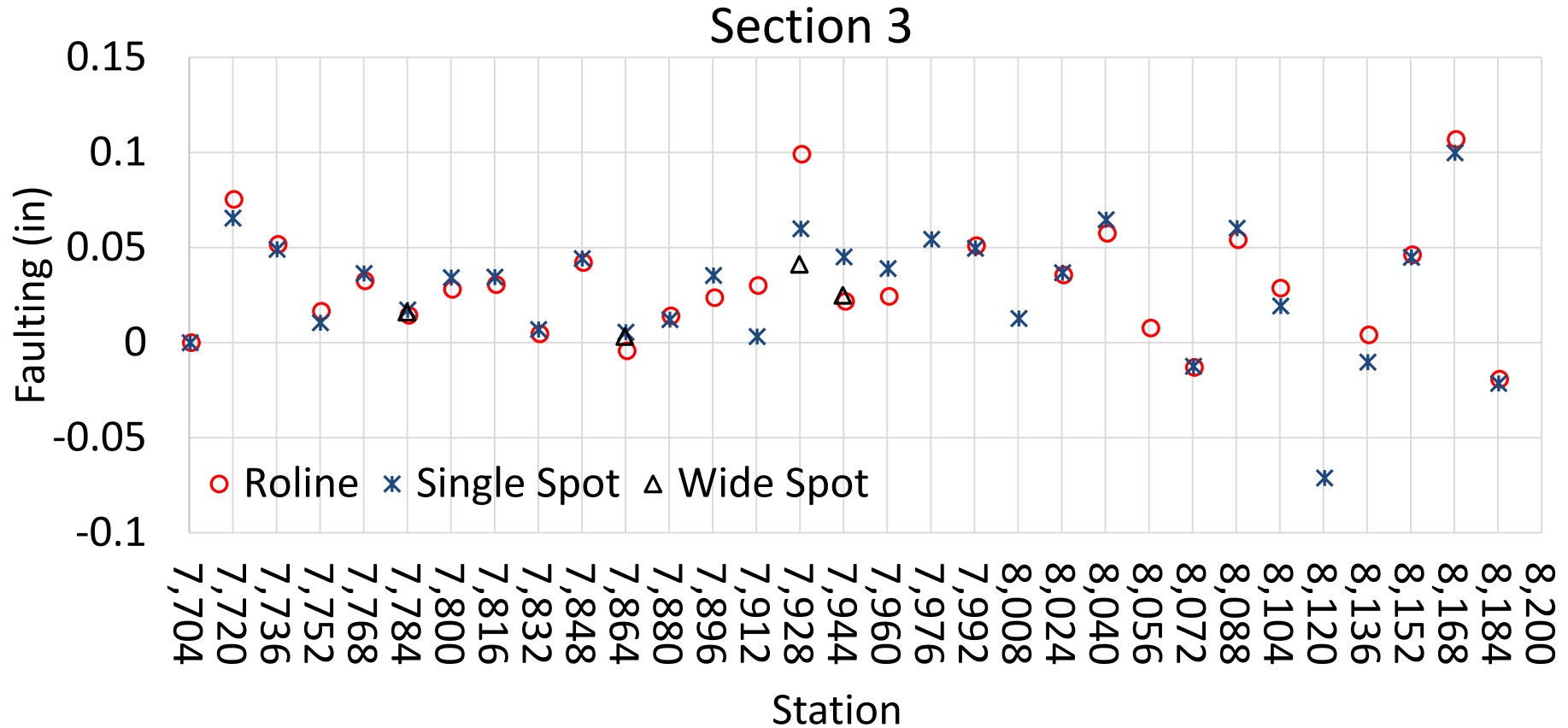


# Joint Detection

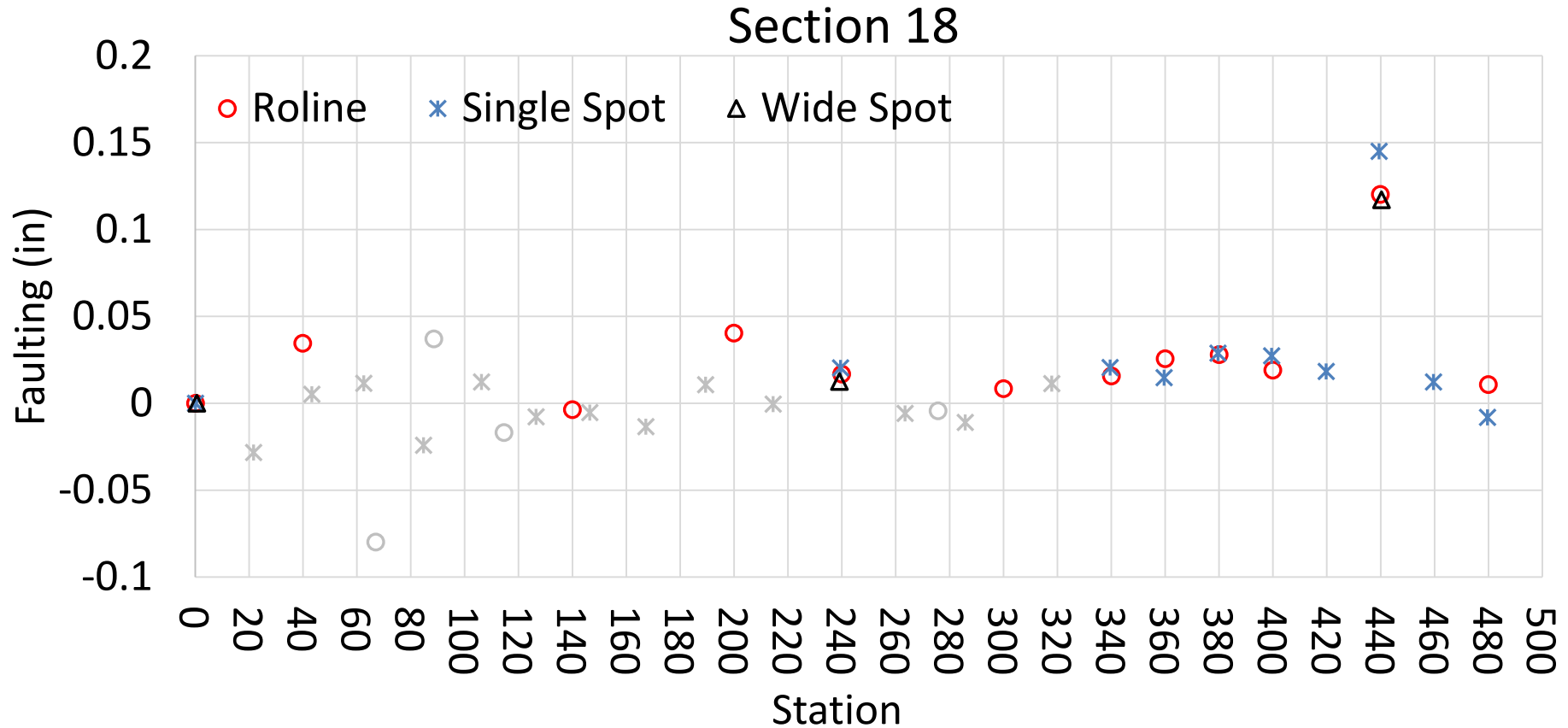
Section	Number of Joints	Number of True Detected Joints			Joint Detection (%)			Reliability (No. of True detected joints/No. of true and false detected joints)		
		Roline	Single Spot	Wide Spot	Roline	Single Spot	Wide Spot	Roline	Single Spot	Wide Spot
0	36	18	26	1	50	72	3	78	81	50
1	42	32	37	6	76	88	14	100	95	86
2	36	23	22	1	64	61	3	88	71	100
3	31	28	30	4	90	97	13	100	100	100
4	42	36	39	4	86	93	10	92	91	80
5	36	27	32	6	75	89	17	93	100	86
6	31	27	27	5	87	87	16	100	96	100
7	36	25	29	5	69	81	14	89	91	100
8	31	26	28	4	84	90	13	100	100	100
9	28	25	24	3	89	86	11	100	92	100
10	36	22	19	3	61	53	8	81	66	100
11	31	16	21	1	52	68	3	84	84	100
12	28	15	16	1	54	57	4	75	64	100
13	31	11	15	4	35	48	13	58	60	100
14	28	16	19	3	57	68	11	84	76	100
15	25	13	14	2	52	56	8	72	67	67
16	31	16	12	1	52	39	3	84	48	50
17	28	8	12	1	29	43	4	40	50	100
18	25	12	10	3	48	40	12	75	43	100
<b>Average</b>					<b>64</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>90</b>



# Faulting (Good agreement)



# Joint Faulting (bad agreement)



# Summary

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- *For smoothness ...*
  - ✓ *All three lasers correlate strongly*
  
- *For faulting ...*
  - ✓ *Single spot and Roline lasers had the best combination of joint detection and reliability*
  - ✓ *Wide spot did not detect enough joints to be useful*

# Questions?



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