# HT1 - Load, visualize, crop and export a T-Lidar point cloud

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This tutorial uses the following script in the Computree HowTo subfolder: HT1\_Load\_Crop\_Export\_Cloud.xsct2

### Objective

This tutorial shows how to:

- 1. Load a .xyb point cloud : sample\_cloud.xyb (located in the HowTo folder)
- 2. Display the point cloud in the step manager, the model manager and in a 3D view
- 3. Extract a circular or rectangular plot
- 4. Export data as file

#### Load a ploint cloud

This platform operates in steps that are displayed in the StepManager window. To open a file, you must add a new step. Use the

button and select the .xyb file.

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To actually begin charging the file, press the obtained button.

When a step execution is completed, the progressing bar is full and the result can be diplayed by activating the **Result** checkbox in the **Step manager** window :

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You may notice that subresults are created as well in the Model manager :

- a Scene which contains the actual point cloud
- ??? Intensity
- ??? Scanner

#### Display the point cloud

To view a particular element, activate the corresponding checkbox in the **Model manager** window. To display scan points in the 3D view, check the **Scene** box.

N.B. : Use the button to ajust camera view to visible elements.

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Exemple for another perspective :



The points **intensity** can also be displayed. In order to do that, use the window :

button that gives access to the Configure colors

unic	Apply	Use shared gradient?	Configure	
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Face				
Edge				
			Add a color Delete the color Save	

Click on the  $\ensuremath{\textbf{Apply}}$  button to display intensity :



You may also manually change the color ramp. See Views functionality documentation for further information.

## **Plot extraction**

There are different possibilities in order to extract a portion of the point cloud.

The HT1\_Load\_Crop\_Export\_Cloud.xsct2 script uses two of these methods :

- The OE\_StepExtractPlot step, found in the ONF ENSAM plugin is used to extract a circular plot of a given radius (onfensamv2 / Extraction of plot)
- The *TK\_StepExtractBox* step, found in the **ToolKit** plugin is used to extract a portion of the point cloud using a bounding box ( *toolkit / Exctract Sub-Cloud / Extraction of a point cloud // bounding box* )

The OE\_StepExtractPlot tool takes as parameters :

X coordinate of the plot center:	0.00	*	m
Y coordinate of the plot center:	0.00	×	m
Beginning radius of plot:	0.00	A. V	m
Ending radius of plot:	17.00	*	m
Beginning azimut of plot (North = Y axis):	0.00	*	Grades
Ending azimut of plot (North = Y axis):	400.00	×	Grades
Minimum Z for plot:	-10000.00	A. V	m
Maximum Z for plot:	10000.00	A V	m

- The X and Y coordinates of the plot center
- A Maximum plot radius
- The Z minimum and maximum values
- If a Plot start radius is given, the plot will be annular (ring-shaped)
- If you wish to extract a sector, a Start and End azimuth can also be defined.

All azimuth values are specified in gradian: North = 0 or 400, East = 100, South = 200, West = 300

The TK\_StepExtractBox tool takes as parameters :

Bottom left	point	
х	0.0000	*
Y	0.0000	×
Z	0.0000	*
Top right po	pint	
х	1.0000	A. V
Y	1.0000	×
z	1.0000	*

- The bottom left coordinates (X,Y,Z) of the bounding box
- The top right coordinates (X,Y,Z) of the bounding box

It is also possible to extract a point cloud from a cylinder or a sphere. (toolkit / Exctract Sub-Cloud / )

# Save point cloud to file

The \_\_\_\_\_ button enables you to export a point cloud to a specified format.



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