

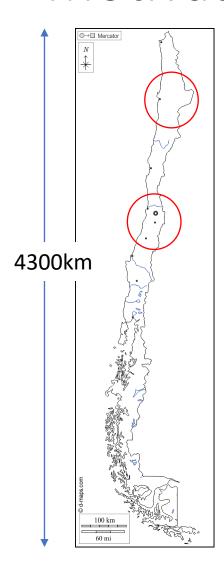


# In —situ, near real time and Low Cost Image Velocimetry for Debris Flows and Flash Flood Monitoring in the Chilean Andes

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#### Motivation



- The June 18 in 1991. The Antofagasta alluvium left 91 people dead, 19 missing and more than 4.000 houses destroyed.
- Between 1970-2019 there have been 40 floods, alluviums or landslides in Chile, mainly last ten years\*.
- The lasts alluviums was January 2021 (Farellones, RM), San Alfonso and Melocoton (Cajon del Maipo, RM).



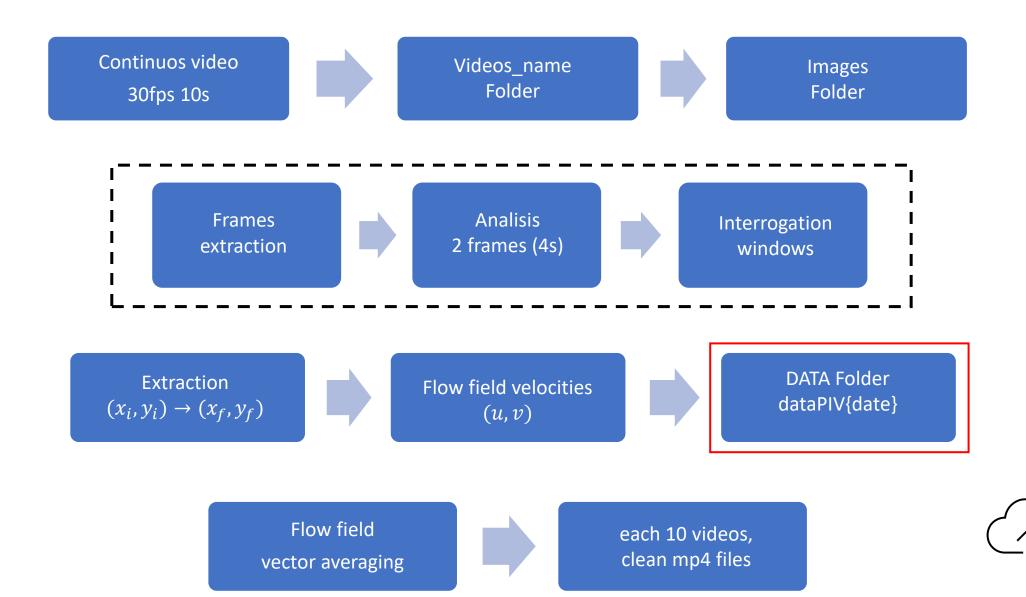
Alluvium Antofagasta June 1991 http://calamaenlinea.cl



Alluvium Cajón del Maipo 29-31 January 2021 Informe Técnico SERNAGEOMIN

<sup>\*</sup>Center for Research in the Epidemiology of Disasters (EM-DAT) of the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium

## Workflow (near real time)



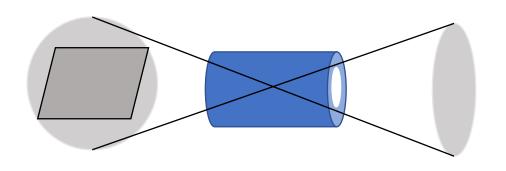
# System (In-situ low cost Image Velocimetry)

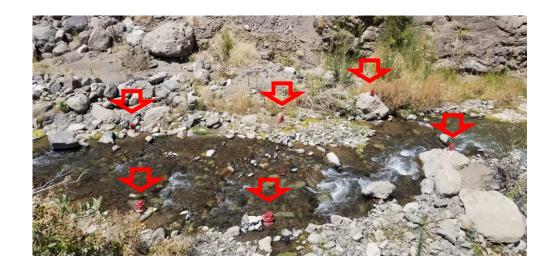




- Microcomputer Raspberry Pi, camera Hikvision H.265+2.8-12mm, solar panel and LiDar.
- Communication 3G or Iridium
- The program is by OpenCV in Python.
- Low cost < \$1000 USD

#### Critical aspects:





Camera (photogrammetry)



**Local GCP** 

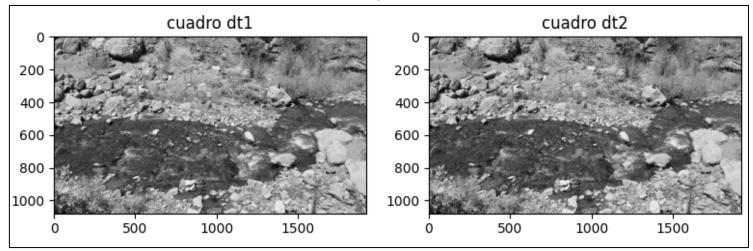
<sup>\*</sup>Optical Ortho-Rectification for Image-Based Stream Surface Flow Observations Using a Ground Camera, Tsubaky R., Zhu R., Frontiers in water, 2021.

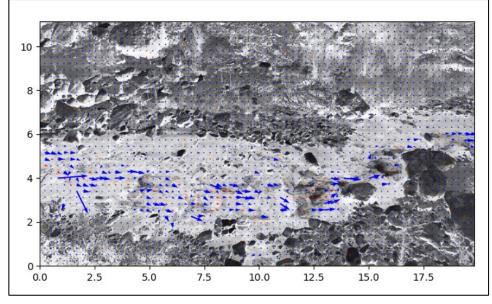
# Images test (SJM)











$$velocity = \frac{1}{n} \sum \sqrt{u_i^2 + v_i^2}$$

## ongoing Work...

- Major development in the implementation of condition the velocity, for increase frequency of data, and conditions with LiDar for generation of alert.
- Laboratory tests in National Institute of Hydraulics, flash flow and altimetry measurement on water surfaces.
- Validation with other softwares in various field test.

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