GEON LiDAR Workflow (GLW) Users Guide

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About LiDAR

Light Distance and Ranging (LiDAR) or Airborne Laser Swath Mapping (ALSW) data has become readily available as both technologies have increased and the emergence of Geoinformatics has occurred. LiDAR data is collected by use of an aircraft that is outfitted with a kinematic GPS, an inertial measurement unit, and a pulsed laser ranging system. The combination of these three mechanism work in unison to produce billions of measurement of x, y, and z coordinates of the ground surface and vegetation cover. This data is referred to as the 'Point Cloud' (Crosby, 2006).

Due to the potentially large size of such data sets it can be difficult to both make the data available to others and to model such large data sets in a meaningful way. The GEON LiDAR Workflow (GLW) provides a window to a user-defined selection of raw data that may be modeled into unique, user-defined DEMs or visualizations. The GLW can do this by democratizing the data though multiple super computers. This approach provides a useful avenue to share data and to model cyber infrastructure and information technology. A generalized aerial LiDAR acquisition and processing workflow consists of the following four steps: 1) Data acquisition, 2) processing of laser ranging, GPS and IMU data to generate LiDAR point cloud, 3) point cloud classification and 4) generation, manipulation, and delivery of digital ground and vegetation models (Crosby, 2006) For more information about LiDAR refer to:

Crosby, Christopher J. <u>A Geoinformatics Approach to LiDAR Data Distribution</u> <u>and Processing with Applications to Geomorphology</u>. Master's Thesis, Arizona State University, August 2006.

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Getting Started - Register for a GEON and LiDAR account and log in

This portion of the manual will guide you through setting up an account for GEON, setting up an account for LiDAR, and will briefly discuss some options you may come across. In order to use the GEON LiDAR you will need to register with both GEON and register with LiDAR.

Registering with GEON

Step 1

In the address bar of your browser type in- www.geongrid.org

This is the intro page for GEON. This is a good location to learn more about GEON and LiDAR by clicking on the About, Research, Resources, Educational, and Tutorials tabs.

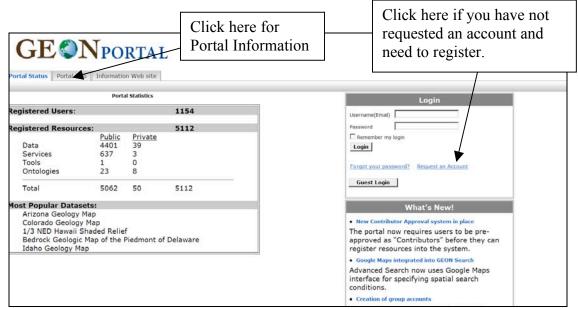
Step 2

Click on the **Portal** Tab shown below. This tab will take you to the login screen.



The portal grants access to the GEON resources and GEON tools. The portal also provides a private workstation where you can queue jobs and return to access them again and again. To learn more about the GEON portal click on the **Portal Info** Tab shown below.

In order to have access to the GEONgrid each user must register by clicking the **Request an Account** link shown below. If you already have an account simply type your username and password into the appropriate box to gain access.



Step 4

This screen requires you to enter information about yourself. Notice, you must enter your first and last name and email address, these fields are required. You must enter a valid email address in order to receive further instructions to login. When you have entered the appropriate information click **Continue**.

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A confirmation screen will appear with the information you entered. Take a moment to review your information and see that it is correct, if it is correct click **Submit** if it is not correct click **Edit Request**, which will return you to the previous screen.

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When you have completed your request, a screen will appear like the one shown below. You will receive an email from **register@geongrid.org** with further instructions. You can close this window in your browser.

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Go to your email account and open the email sent from **register@geongrid.org**. Click on the link in this email or copy and paste the address into the address bar of your browser. This should take you to a page similar to the one shown below. Re-enter your email address.

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rder to finish setting up your portal account, please verify your email address: pres@pres.com submit	Username(Email) Password Remember my login Login Forgot your password? Request an Account Guest Login

Step 7

After you have entered your email address a new screen like the one shown below will appear. You will need to choose a password and enter it into the appropriate fields, click **Submit**. You will receive a message indicating that your account is awaiting administrative approval. You can now log in and use the GEONgrid.

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To login, type your username and password into the appropriate fields on the right hand side of the screen and click **Login**. You may wish to have your username and password remembered, if so check the box.

Accessing the GEON LiDAR Workflow

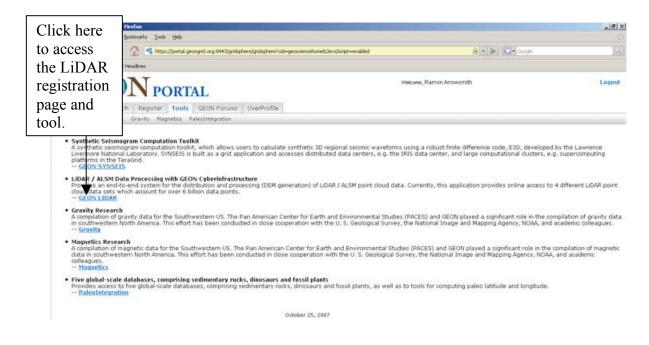
Step 8

Once you have logged into GEON portal, you should see a screen like the one shown below. To access the LiDAR data set, click on the **Tools** tab shown below.

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Step 9

This will take you to a screen like the one shown below. This screen is a menu of GEON tools available for use; for more information about each tool click on the appropriate link. To access the LiDAR Workflow, click on the **GEON LiDAR** link shown below.



It is now possible to use the LiDAR workflow trial version. To use the trial version, which limits the user to 5 million points per query, see the Data and Tutorials sections of this user's manual. In order to register for an account that will allows 50 million points per query it is necessary to fill out the form shown below (red box), when you are finished click **Submit**. Note that we have this second layer of authentication because we are using US Teragrid compute resources (http://www.teragrid.org). We take advantage of the GEON portal role-based authentication capabilities to manage resource use accordingly. Give this a try and if you need more, contact the GLW development team (glw@geongrid.org) and we can up your point limit.

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B4 LIDAR Utilities My LIDAR Jobs My Jobs Submission Info LIDAR Main Page	Welcome to the GEON LiDAR / ALSM processing page. This site is a proof of concept implementation of an end-to-end system for the distribution and processing (DEM generation) of LiDAR / ALSM point cloud data. This tool capitalizes on cyberinfrastructure developed by GEON as part of its effort to develop information technology for the Geosciences. The goal of this project is to provide a web- based toolset that can democratize access to these rich and computationally challenging data sets. Please note that these pages are actively under development and therefore may experience outages and poor performance. If you have problems or suggestions for improvement, we encourage you to contact us.		
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	Metadata documents on these data sets can be found here. "Web browser compatibility for Macintosh users: Some aspects of the GEON LIDAR processing pages may not be compatible with Apple's Safari web browser. We recommend Firefox for browsing these pages.		
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	Institution: United States Gov.		
	Email: 1stpres@pres.com		
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Once you have completed the form you should see a screen that looks like the one shown below. Expect to receive an email from the GLW reviewers within 24 hours. While you are waiting, feel free to run some jobs and get used to the GLW.

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The next time you return to the LiDAR page the registration form will not be a part of the screen and you can now directly access the data sets. For information on how to access the data sets see the Data and Tutorial sections of this User's Manual.

(Optional) Customize your portal Step 11

From the GEON portal shown below, click the **UserProfile** tab. In this tab you can edit your account information, change your password, and customize your workstation. To add a LiDAR Workflow tab to your workstation click the box next to LiDAR as shown below. Then click **Save.**

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You should notice that a tab entitles LiDAR is now be located on the top of the screen as shown below.

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Email Address: 1stpres@pres.com	PaleoIntegration	PaleoIntegration Project	User	
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From the GEON portal, you can now click on the LiDAR tab to come directly to the LiDAR portal.

Information about the datasets currently available in the GEON LiDAR Workflow

Northern San Andreas Fault (NSAF), CA Data Set

The Northern San Andreas Fault data set features data along the Northern San Andreas fault and associated marine terraces in coastal Sonoma and Mendocino counties, California. This data set covers approximately 418 square kilometers and includes approximately 1.2 billion data points. Point density is 1.2 points per square meter.

This airborne laser swath mapping data was acquired in support of collaborative research by members of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), with funding provided by NASA's Earth Surface and Interior Focus Area. The data were acquired and processed by TerraPoint, LLC under contract to NASA's Stennis Space Center. The data are in the public domain with no restrictions on their use.

Projection: State Plane Zone for San Andreas: California II Horizontal units: US Survey Feet (= 1200/3937 meters ~ 0.30480061 meters) Elevation units: International Feet (= 0.3048 meters) Spheroid: GRS80 Horizontal Datum: NAD83, 1991 Adjustment Vertical Datum: NAVD88

Orthometric elevations are derived from ellipsoid elevations using the National Geodetic Survey geoid model Geoid99

(https://portal.geongrid.org:8443/gridsphere/gridsphere?gs_action=lidarNSAF&cid=215)

Western Rainier Seismic Zone, WA Data Set

The Western Rainier Seismic Zone data set features data from the western Rainier seismic zone, adjacent to Mt. Rainier, in Pierce County, WA. This data set covers approximately 325 square kilometers and includes approximately a billion data points. Point density is approximately 2 points per square meter. For more information on these data please go to: *http://gsa.confex.com/gsa/2003AM/finalprogram/abstract_67004.htm*.

This airborne laser swath mapping data was acquired in support of collaborative research by members of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), with funding provided by NASA's Earth Surface and Interior Focus Area. The data were acquired and processed by TerraPoint, LLC under contract to NASA's Stennis Space Center. The data are in the public domain with no restrictions on their use. Projection: State Plane Zone: Washington North Horizontal units: US Survey Feet (= 1200/3937 meters ~ 0.30480061 meters) Elevation units: International Feet (= 0.3048 meters) Spheroid: GRS80 Horizontal Datum: NAD83, 1991 Adjustment Vertical Datum: NAVD88

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Fault Systems in the Eastern California Shear Zone (ECSZ)



The Fault Systems in the Eastern California Shear Zone (ECSZ) contains data acquired by the <u>National Center for Airborne Laser Mapping (NCALM</u>) on behalf of Dr. Mike Oskin (UNC) and Dr. Lesley Perg (U of M)) as part of their NSF project on fault systems in the Eastern California Shear Zone. They have kindly agreed to make these data available to the research community through the GEON LiDAR Workflow.

Grid Coordinate System Name: Universal Transverse Mercator UTM Zone Number: 11 N Transverse Mercator Projection Scale Factor at Central Meridian: 0.999600 Longitude of Central Meridian: -117.000000 Latitude of Projection Origin: 0.000000 False Easting: 500000.000000 False Northing: 0.000000 Planar Coordinate Information: Planar Distance Units: meters Geodetic Model Horizontal Datum Name: D_WGS_1984 Ellipsoid Name: WGS 1984

(https://portal.geongrid.org:8443/gridsphere/gridsphere?gs_action=lidarECSZ&cid=215)

B4: Southern San Andreas Fault



The B4: Southern San Andreas Fault Data Sat offers access to LiDAR point cloud data of the southern San Andreas Fault acquired by the <u>National Center for Airborne Laser</u> <u>Mapping (NCALM)</u> through funding from the National Science Foundation (NSF) as part of the "B4 Project". The B4 Project has kindly agreed to make these data available to the research community through the GEON LiDAR Workflow. If you utilize the B4 data for talks, posters or publications, we ask that you acknowledge the B4 project.

Grid Coordinate System Name: Universal Transverse Mercator UTM Zone Number: 11 N Transverse Mercator Projection Scale Factor at Central Meridian: 0.999600 Longitude of Central Meridian: -117.000000 Latitude of Projection Origin: 0.000000 False Easting: 500000.000000 False Northing: 0.000000 Planar Coordinate Information: Planar Distance Units: meters Geodetic Model Horizontal Datum Name: D_WGS_1984 Ellipsoid Name: WGS_1984

(https://portal.geongrid.org:8443/gridsphere/gridsphere?gs_action=lidarB4&cid=215)

Dataset tutorials—How to process and download data in the GEON LiDAR Workflow

Navigating to the different datasets

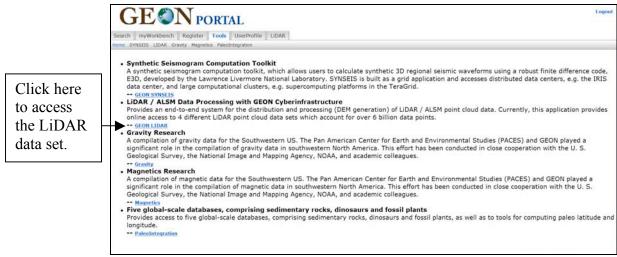
Note: Current Interface with the LiDAR/ALSM Data Processing is not compatible with Internet explorer 7. We are working on a solution. You may need to uninstall Internet Explorer 7, see Microsoft Help for more information.

Step 1

After you have requested an account and logged into the GEON Portal (if you have not completed these steps see the **Getting Started** section of this manual).

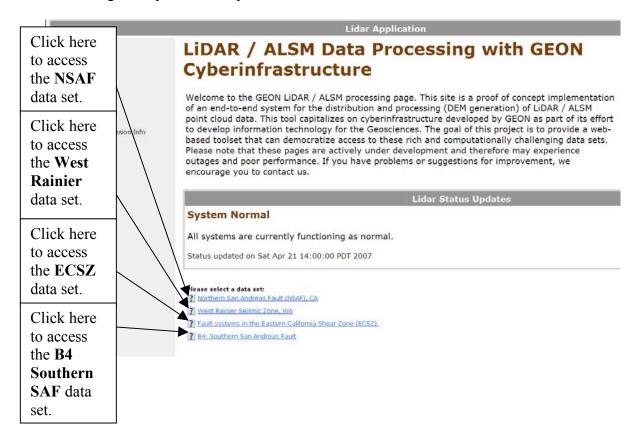
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Click on the GEON LiDAR link below.





This page contains links to the four data sets offered by the LiDAR Workflow. When you see the symbol 2 you can click on them to receive more information concerning the topic that the symbol is in front of.



NSAF and West Rainier Seismic Zone Data Sets Tutorial

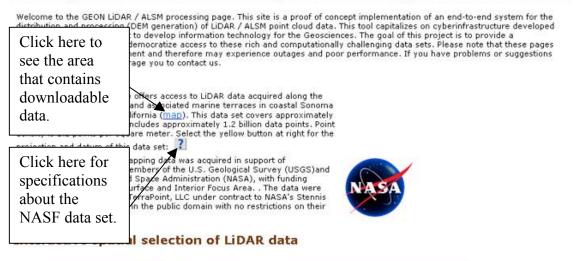
How to download data from the Northern San Andreas Fault, CA or West Rainier Seismic Zon data set

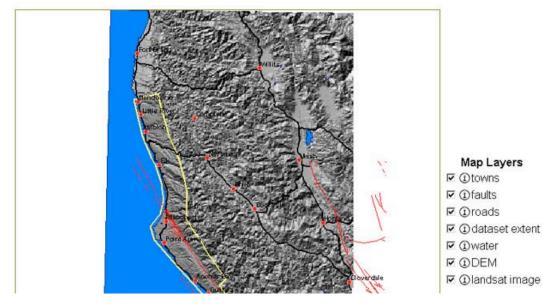
This portion of the manual will guide you through downloading data from the Northern San Andreas Fault, CA data set (NSAF) as an example. All of these instructions apply for the West Rainier data as well.

Step 4

This page contains information about the NSAF LiDAR data set and provides the spatial selection window.

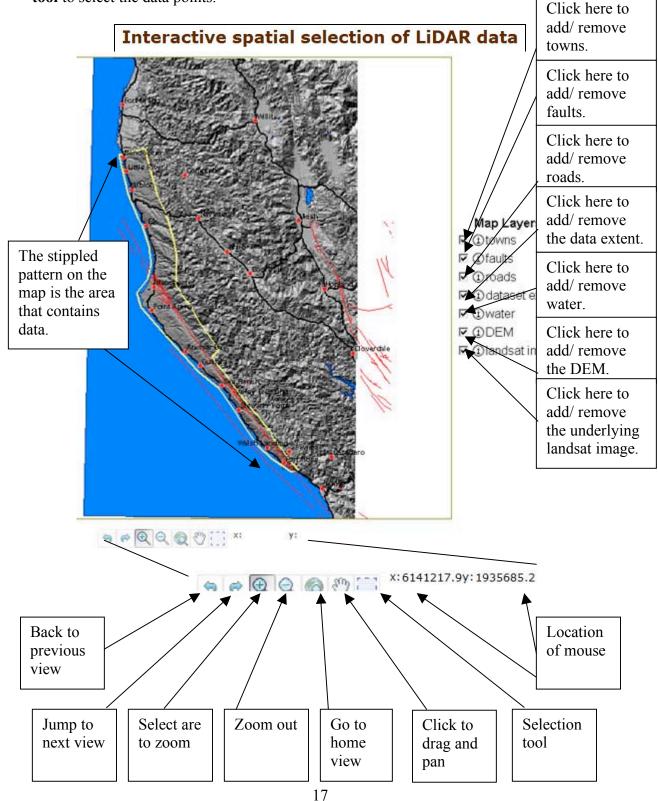
LiDAR / ALSM Data Processing with GEON Cyberinfrastructure



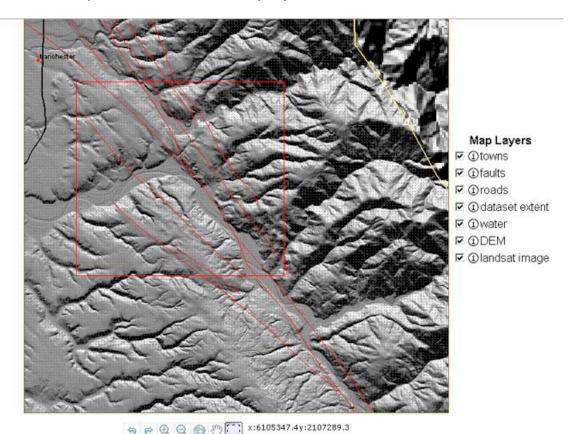


Step 5 Selecting the Data

This page contains the spatial selection tool for the LiDAR NSAF data set. There is two ways to select the data you want. The first is you can use the **Select area to zoom** (the magnifying glass) tool to zoom to the area you are interested in and then use the **Select tool** to select the data points.



After you have zoomed to the area of interest and selected the area that you would like to download data from, information will appear below the selection tools informing the user about the specific of the download. If there is an error or the request is too large you will be informed so you can make the necessary adjustments.



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The selection area contains approximately 2,510,000 points. Estimated processing time for the local bining algorithm is 259 seconds. Warning, the selection area contains more than 1.6 million points. Currently, interpolation of points to an elevation product is limited to 1,600,000 points for the spline algorithm. The local binning algorithm is limited to 100,000,000 points. This limit does not apply to downloads of point cloud data. If you'd like to download the point cloud data for this selection, choose only the "download raw data" option below and submit your request.

* These estimates are based on average system load.

Note: If there is more than 1.6 million points selected you will receive a warning that states: Warning, the selection area contains more than 1.6 million points. Currently, interpolation of points to an elevation product is limited to 1,600,000 points for the spline algorithm. The local binning algorithm is limited to 100,000,000 points. This limit does not apply to downloads of point cloud data. If you'd like to download the point cloud data for this selection, choose only the "download raw data" option below and submit your request.

If you would like the **DEM Generation via Spline Interpolation Algorithm** option for download, you can only have 1.6 million data points selected. For all other options you can choose up to 50 million points. More about these options below.

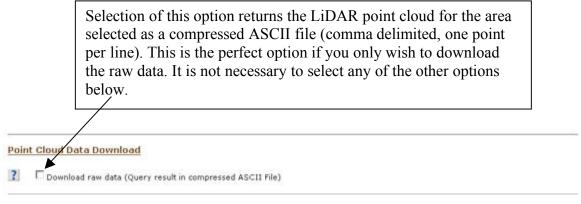
The second method for selecting data is used if you know the California Data Set Coordinates of the area you would like to select. Enter the coordinates into the **Data selection coordinates** section shown below. It is an option to choose which type of data you would like to download. Failure to select a classification type results in all classifications being returned.

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	B - Blunder - G - Ground	
*	S - Structure V - Vegetation	
Classification selection tool		

Note: The numbers in the **Data selection coordinates** boxes will also reflect which area is chosen from the navigation map above.

Step 6 Downloading the Data: Point Cloud Data Download

After you have selected the data you want, now you need to specify how you want the data sent. The next few pages of this tutorial will go through each option and what it means. You may also want to check the Glossary pages of this tutorial if you need further clarification or more information.



You can skip the rest of the screen and jump to the bottom.

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ob description (up to 500 characters):		
Email Address		
Enter your e-mail address for notification upon comp of processing	letion [jrarrowsmith@hotmail	
	Submit Clear All	

When you have completed your selection you will want to enter a job title and a description of the job. Confirm your email address. You will receive a completion notification email when the job is complete. Click **Submit** to finish this order. An email will be sent to you, which contains two links, one is a link that provides a summary of the data requested including the title, description, dataset, projection, units, zone, spheroid, and coordinates. The second is a link to download the data .

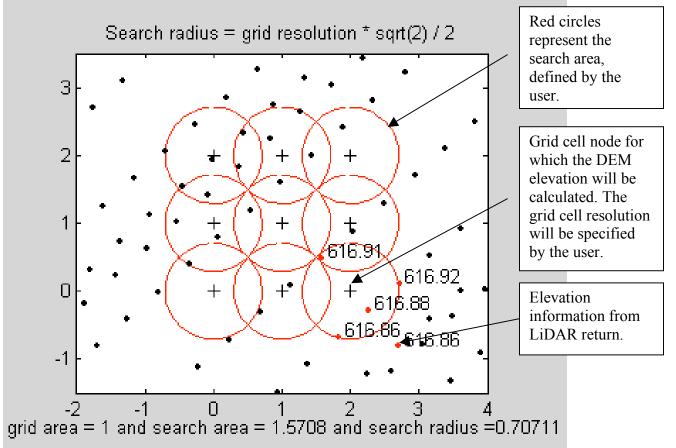
The data that will be downloaded from selecting the **Point Cloud Data**/ **Download Raw Data** option will look like this. It contains a column for x, y, z, date, time, return number, number of zero returns that occurred, offnidar, returnint, and classification. Below is a sample of the type of data you will receive as shown in the screen capture of the data parsed in an excel spreadsheet.

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6099422.73	2102824	78.57	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	17	18	G
6099434.5	2102823	78.75	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.86	25	G
6099440.78	2102823	78.53	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.78	20	G
6099447.47	2102822	79.22	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.7	21	V
6099454.18	2102822	79.21	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.61	19	G
6099412.2	2102829	79.06	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	17.14	20	V
6099417.43	2102829	79.18	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	17.07	22	V
6099427.83	2102823	78.96	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.94	22	V
6099460.23	2102821	79.66	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.54	19	V
6099436.91	2102828	78.65	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.83	18	V
6099468.93	2102825	79.52	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.44	22	V
6099500.84	2102823	79.71	1205	6.12E+04	1	5	16.05	54	V
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Step 6b Producing and Downloading the Digital Elevation Model: Local Binning

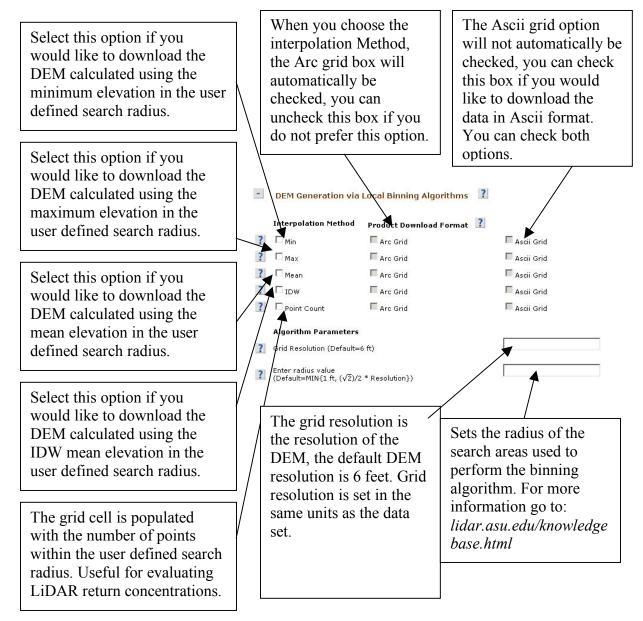
What does the Local Binning Algorithm do?

The local binning algorithm creates a DEM using the elevation information from LiDAR returns contained within a circular search area.



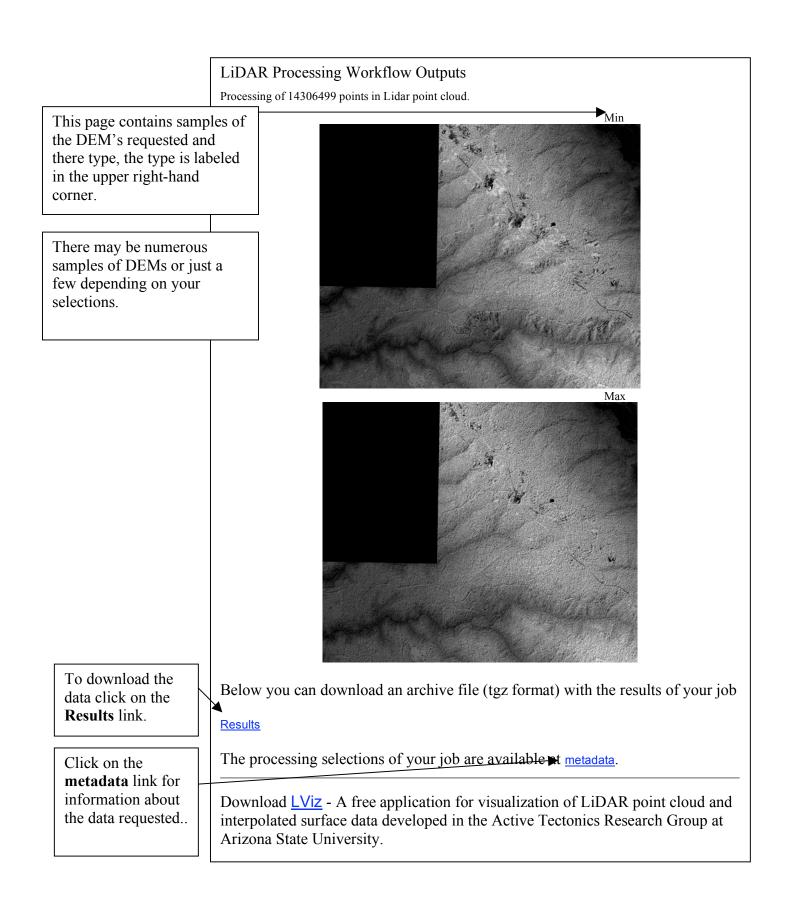
Five values are computed for each node in a grid: 1) the minimum, 2) maximum, 3) mean, and 4) inverse distance weighted mean of the local points, and 5) the number of points in the search area. For more information about each value computed click on the **show details** symbol beside each selection. The local binning algorithm was written by Han Suk Kim (UCSD). For more information on this algorithm please go to *lidar.asu.edu* and follow the **Knowledge Base** link.

When downloading the DEM Generation via Local Binning Algorithms you can choose to download all five of the computed interpolation methods, the minimum, the maximum, the mean, the inverse distance weighted and the point cloud. These are available in both Arc grid format and Ascii grid format.



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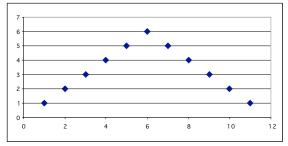
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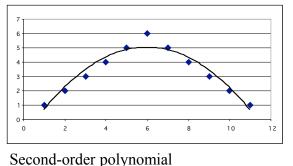
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Step 6c Producing and Downloading the Digital Elevation Model: Spline Interpolation

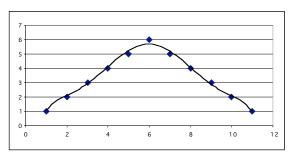
What does the Spline Interpolation Algorithm do?

The Spline is a mathematical function that fits polynomials to data points; it is commonly used for smoothing or interpolation. It is essentially a process of fitting data points that contain x, y, and z data to a curve or plane. The Spline requires input settings of smoothing and tension from the user. If we image a two dimensional data set with x and y data points, and we are trying to fit an imaginary string through these points the smoothing setting determines how many order polynomials to use, the higher the ordered polynomial the smoother the curve. But it is also important to have a setting that determines how closely the curve will fit to the data so if we imagine the same string fastened to one end and we pulled the other end, it would become tighter and fit the data better. For instance lets look at the two-dimensional plots below. We would like to fit this data to a curve, if we use a second order polynomial; the line does not fit to closely but is very smooth. If we use a sixth order polynomial the curve matches the data better but is less smooth. The way that we fit the data to a surface is the same thing based on the settings we use.





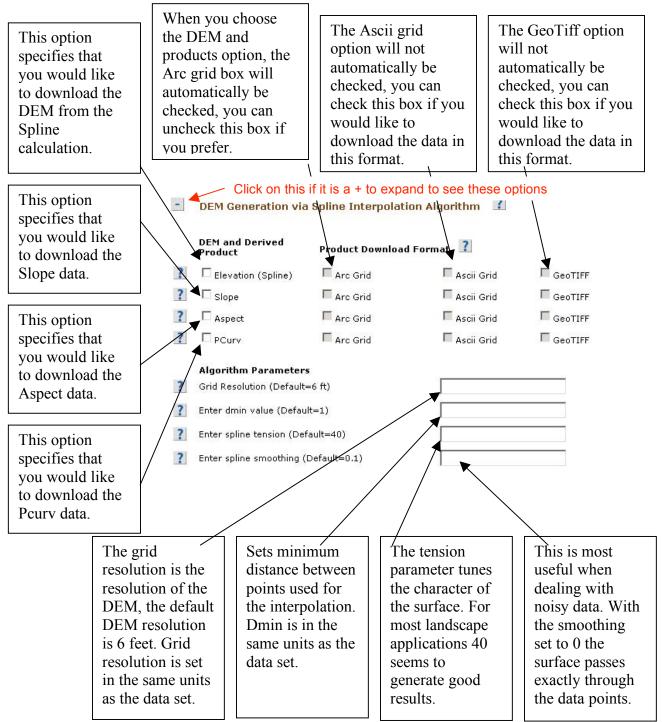
X and Y data



Sixth-order polynomial

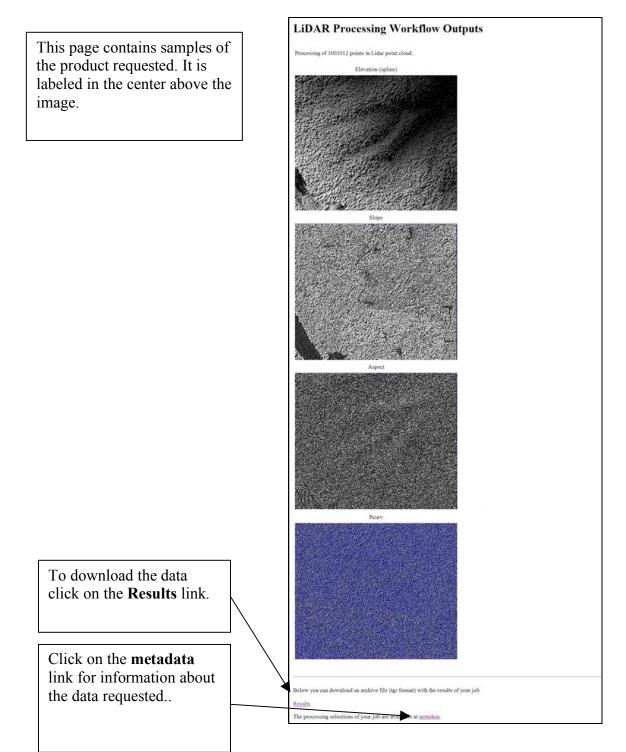
For more information about the program, GRASS, which runs the Spline, please go to *grass.itc.it*.

When downloading the DEM Generation via Spline Interpolation Algorithms you can choose to download four options with different file types, the Elevation, the Slope, the Aspect, and the Pcurv. The slope is information about the landscape and determines what the slope of each grid tile is from 0 to 90 degrees. The aspect is a determination of which direction the slope of a grid tile is facing from 0 to 360 degrees, The PCurv is the profile curvature with a numeric value assigned for concavity. These products are available in either Arc grid, Ascii Grid, or GeoTiff formats. Note you can download all products and all file types simultaneously.



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Once you have downloaded the data, you can unzip the file using WinZip. (For the purposes of this tutorial all of the items were selected for the Spline Interpolation Algorithms section) The file you receive will look like the following:

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Eastern California Shear Zone data set Tutorial

How to download data from the Eastern California Shear Zone data set

This portion of the manual will guide you through downloading data from the Eastern California Shear Zone (ECSZ). We assume that you have navigated there following the instructions above.

For the purposes of this tutorial click on the **Fault Systems in the Eastern California Shear Zone (ECSZ)** link shown above to access the data set.

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This page contains information about the ECSZ LiDAR data set and provides the spatial selection window.

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Click here for specifications about the ECSZ data set.	This page offers access to LiDAR data acquired by the <u>National Center for</u> <u>Airborne Laser Mapping (NCALM)</u> on behalf of Dr. Mike Oskin (UNC) and Dr. Lesley Perg (U of M)) as part of their NSF project on fault systems in the Eastern California Shear Zone. They have kindly agreed to make these data available to the research community through the <u>GEON LIDAR Warkflow</u>

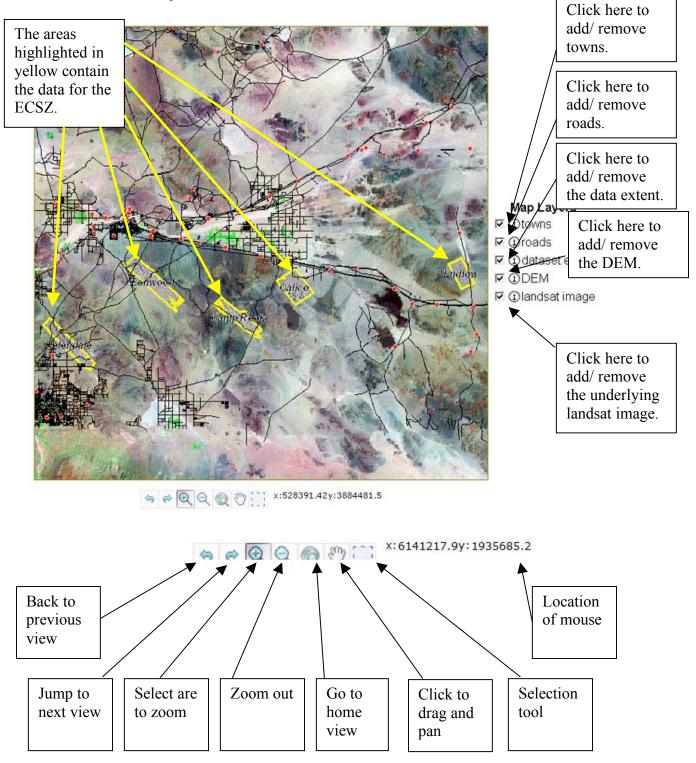




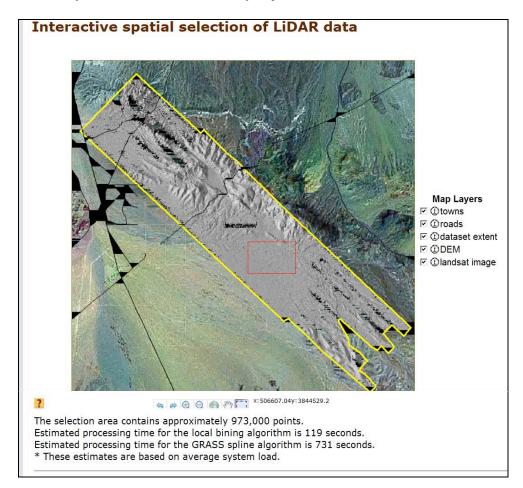
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Step 5 Selecting the Data

This page contains the spatial selection tool for the LiDAR NSAF data set. There is two ways to select the data you want. The first is you can use the **Select area to zoom** (the magnifying glass) tool to zoom to the area you are interested in and then use the **Select tool** to select the data points.



After you have zoomed to the area of interest and selected the area that you would like to download data from, information will appear below the selection tools informing the user about the specific of the download. If there is an error or the request is too large you will be informed so you can make the necessary adjustments.



Note: If there is more than 1.6 million points selected you will receive a warning that states: Warning, the selection area contains more than 1.6 million points. Currently, interpolation of points to an elevation product is limited to 1,600,000 points for the spline algorithm. The local binning algorithm is limited to 50,000,000 points. This limit does not apply to downloads of point cloud data. If you'd like to download the point cloud data for this selection, choose only the "download raw data" option below and submit your request.

If you would like the **DEM Generation via Spline Interpolation Algorithm** option for download, you can only have 1.6 million data points selected. For all other options you can choose up to 50 million points.

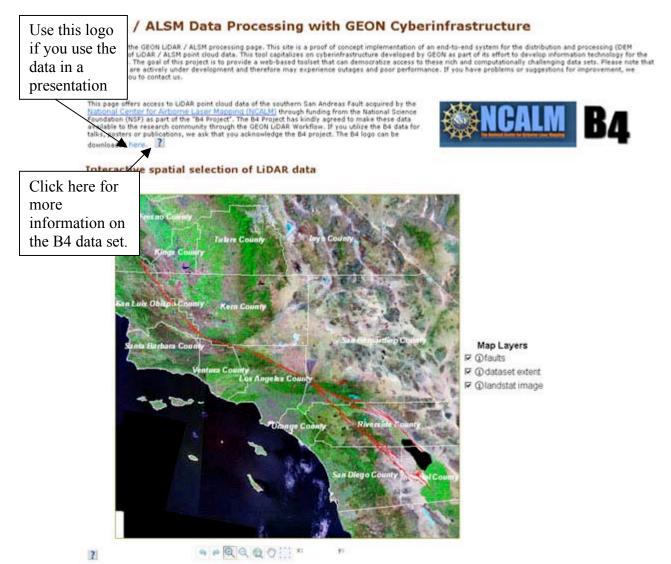
For information and steps for Point Cloud Data Download, DEM Generation via Local Binning Algorithms, or DEM Generation via Spline Interpolation Algorithm see Step 6 of the **NSAF and West Rainier Tutorial** section of this User's Manual.

B4: Southern San Andreas Fault data set Tutorial

This portion of the manual will guide you through downloading data from the B4: Southern San Andreas Fault (B4). We assume you have navigated to the dataset as explained above

Step 4

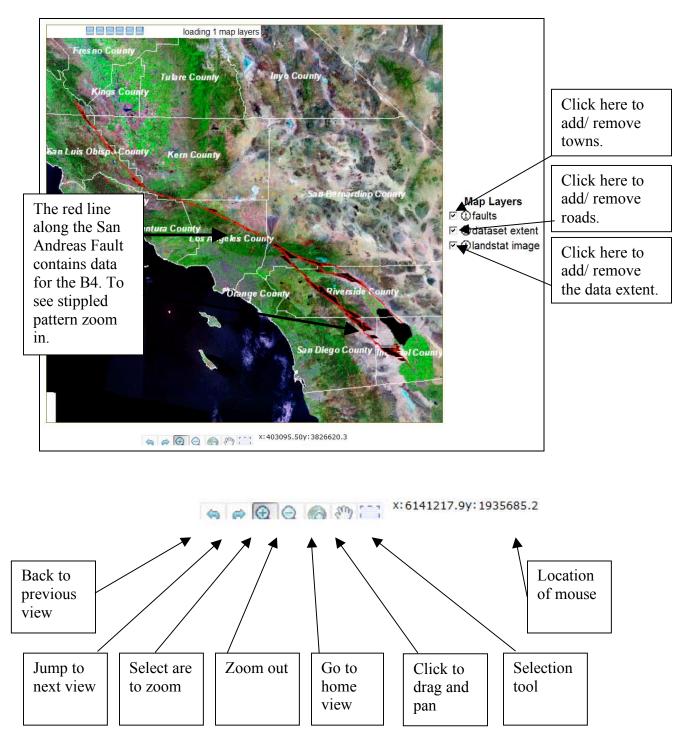
This page contains information about the ECSZ LiDAR data set and provides the spatial selection window.



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Step 5 Selecting the Data

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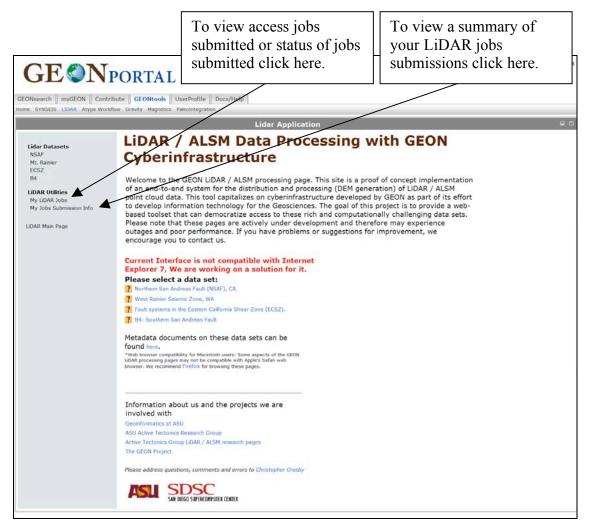
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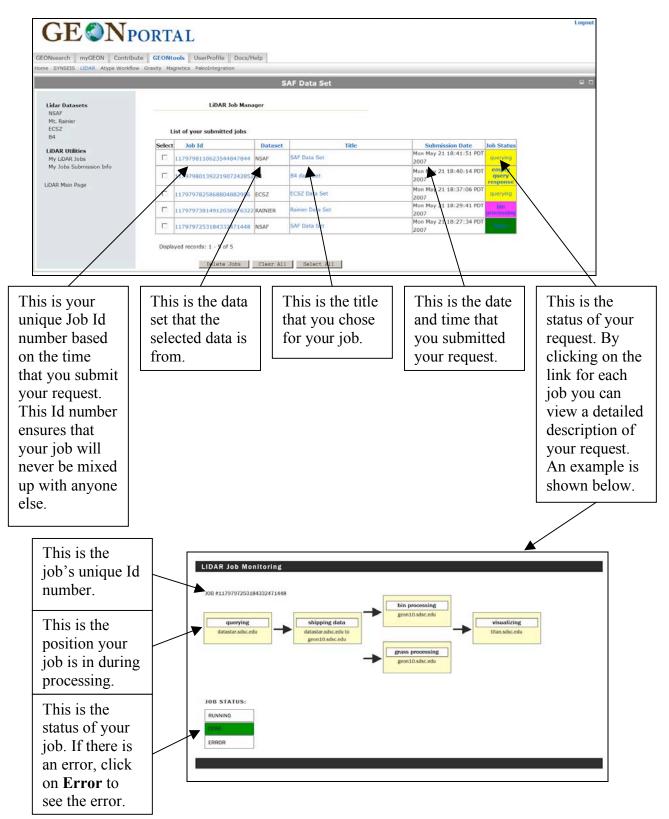
For information and steps for Point Cloud Data Download, DEM Generation via Local Binning Algorithms, or DEM Generation via Spline Interpolation Algorithm see Step 6 of the **NSAF and West Rainier Tutorial** section of this User's Manual.

Job management

One of the advantages of the cyberinfrastructure approach that we employ is the opportunity to watch your jobs as they progress through the GLW, to archive your jobs, and to find them again and modify them and rerun them if desired.



When you click on **My LiDAR Jobs** you will see a screen like the one shown below. This screen lists your submitted jobs by Id number, Dataset, Title, and Submission Date. The status of your job is also listed. You can click on the status link of each job to get a more detailed description of your job's status.



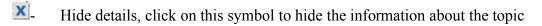
If you click on **My Jobs Submission Info** you will be taken to a screen that looks like the one shown below.

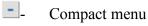
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Glossary of Symbols

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- Interactive data selection menu



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Get the next extent



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