# Efficient and Secure Cloud Computing for UXO Classification and Project Management

MR-201713 Dean Keiswetter Acorn Science and Innovation, LLC In-Progress Review Meeting 2/21/2018





# MR-201713: Cloud Computing for UXO Classification

#### Performers: AcornSI and Geosoft, Inc.

#### **Technology Focus**

• Detection, Classification and Remediation of Military Munition

#### **Demonstration Site**

• Former Lowry Bombing and Gunnery Range

#### **Demonstration Objectives**

- Develop and demonstrate Cloud based data analysis and classification capabilities
- Classification performance that matches PC-based UX-Analyze

#### **Project Progress and Results**

- Cloud-based Workflow
- Cloud-based Architecture
- UX-Analyze Web Server

#### **Implementation Outlook**

- Excellent
- Rick Grabowski offered Corps of Engineers support





### **Social Media Content**

"A new ESTCP project begun 2017 is bringing advanced UXO classification to the cloud. *This exciting project* is expected to deliver enhanced data and project security, speed of processing and analysis, auditability, and many other benefits. Year one developments included data handling schemes, system architecture, user experience interfaces, interactive linking, and EM inversions."

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SERDP-ESTCP 2017 Symposium Poster



# Geosoft and AcornSI move UXO classification to the cloud

September 28, 2017 | Geosoft News



Geosoft is partnering with Acorn Science and Innovation to create a cloud-based technology solution for unexploded ordnance classification projects. The 3-year project, funded by the US Department of Defense's Environmental Security Technology Certification Program, will deliver a cloud prototype for classifying buried metal as either UXO or non-hazardous clutter based on the analysis of electromagnetic induction data.

READ MORE

http://www.geosoft.com/news/geosoftand-acornsi-move-uxo-classification-cloud



# **Project Team**



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- QA testers (2)



# **Problem Statement**

This project addresses the detection, classification, and remediation of military munitions.

 It is highly relevant and important, given the 2017 DoD Policy that declares Advanced Geophysical Classification technologies the default technology for MMR responses.

The current approach is to utilize PC-based, UX-Analyze software. Limitations of PC-based solutions include:

- compartmentalized security
- compartmentalized collaboration and communication
- compartmentalized version control, activity logging, and auditing
- local IT requirements
- local and limited processing speed



## **Problem Statement (over simplified)**





# **Technical Objective**

Our objective is to develop and demonstrate an effective, efficient, and secure cloud computing technology for classifying buried metal as UXO or not, based on the analysis of multi-coil electromagnetic induction (EMI) data.



#### **Cloud Computing Characteristics**

- On-demand self service
- Ubiquitous network access
- Location-independent
- Rapid elasticity
- Pay per use



Leverage commercial cloud infrastructure and platforms with UX-Analyze work flows, processes, and solvers

### Cloud Technology

- Strong security policies and backup procedures
- Data is encrypted and safe while at rest or in transit
- Efficient data transfer and storage containers

### UX-Analyze

- Mature solvers and classification logic
- Efficient user workflows and processing schemes
- Proven track record
- Strong user base



UX-Analyze is a suite of advanced software tools developed by Acorn SI and Geosoft over many years with funding from ESTCP





Over 350 individuals(45 firms) have participated in 2-day, dataanalysis workshops

Multiple commercial firms have successfully used UX-Analyze during AGC-DAGCAP accreditation demonstrations



UX-Analyze: Workflow & QC

- High level bundles to guide data analysis
- Institutionalized QC measures and products
  - Sensor function tests
  - Instrument verification strips (IVS)
  - Check every sensor stream for quality
  - Background location validation
  - Background measurements





**Cloud-based analysis** 



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1a	Cloud-based Workflow											
1b	Cloud Structure Architecture											
2	Development											
2a	Project Storage Container											
2b	UX-Analyze Web Server											
2c	UX-Analyze Enhancements (Option 1)											
3	Demonstration											
4	Management											







#### **UXA Cloud Applications**





Summary of accomplishment to date...

Data Transfer GX: from Desktop OM to Cloud Graphical Look and Feel (cards, forms, etc.) System behavior and user notifications during events Workflow for Cued Data (Classify and Rank) Graphical displays for a variety of cards Linking tool between data displays User Interactive Capability

Inversions + OM math (size and decay calculations)









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#### Parallel batch jobs...

Application package (inversion DLL, instructions, IO Azure) Procure the Application pool (collection of virtual machines)





#### Parallel batch jobs...example run

#### 1000 cued data collections 20 VM's procured, each processed 50 measurements Execution time < 9 minutes

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# **Technical Progress Demonstration Site**

We proposed an initial system shakedown test, followed by the analysis of a complete, canned data set; processing the data in the same sequence as it was collected.

The data of opportunity are TBD and will be selected in consultation with the Program Office. The data recently collected the Former Lowry Bombing and Gunnery Range by Parsons may be a strong candidate.

The planned demonstration is one year out.



# How will the service be consumed – high-level vision

Implementation of UX-Analyze Cloud Service

Managed Service by Geosoft (initially)

- Provisioned cloud service, security, software and storage
- Infrastructure/framework & System configuration
- UX-Analyze deployment
- Project decommissioning
- Administered Service by project prime contractor
  - Manages user and project permissions
  - UX-Analyze data processing and analysis
  - Overall project management
  - Archiving and project completion



# How will the service be consumed – high-level vision

#### Subscription/Project fees

- Provided as a service per project rather than purchasing computers, software, IT services etc.
- Service fees based primarily on:
  - Project size
  - Project duration and scope
  - Number and type of users
  - Extendable if project is modified or expanded



## **Action Items**

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# **Technology Transfer**

- Technology transfer is a critical part of this project.
- The primary technology transfer component of this specific effort is our report detailing the UX-Analyze Cloud and the direct, hands-on participation of a contractor, a Corps of Engineers geophysicist, and a State regulator in the final demonstration.



# **Technology Transfer**

- Upon successful completion of this program, we will solicit funding to aggressively pursue a number of technology transfer approaches targeting multiple audiences
- Suitable technology transfer approaches will likely include:
  - Training workshops, live or via webinar
  - Presentations at key conferences
  - Web-based tools (see example at link)
  - Technology fact sheets