

Introduction to Geographic Information Systems

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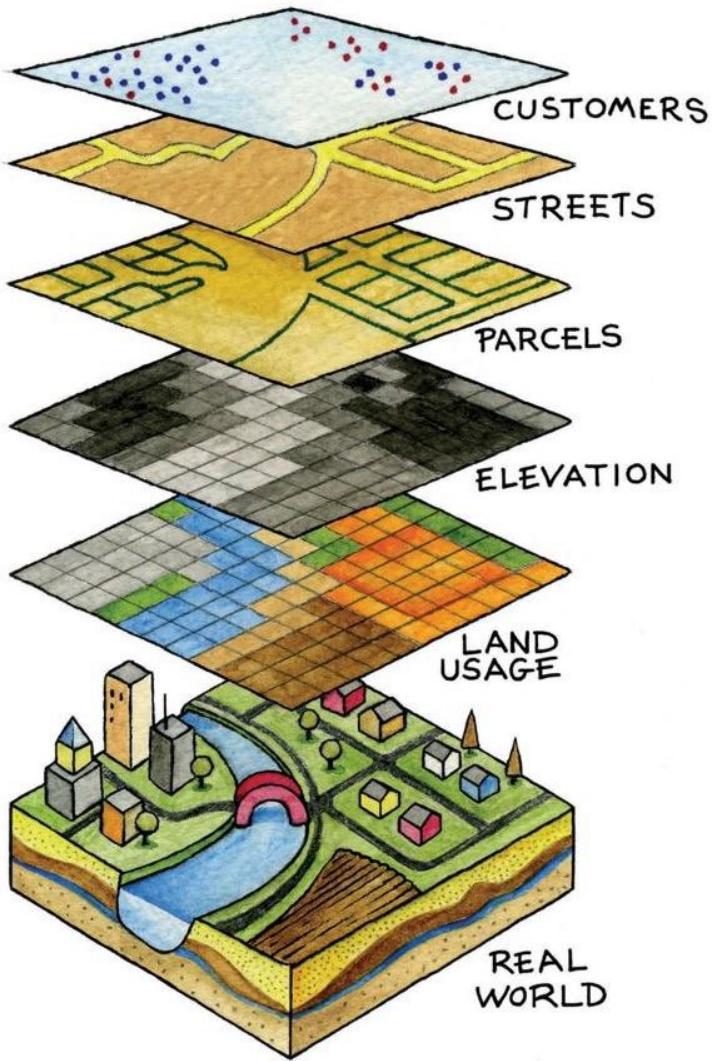
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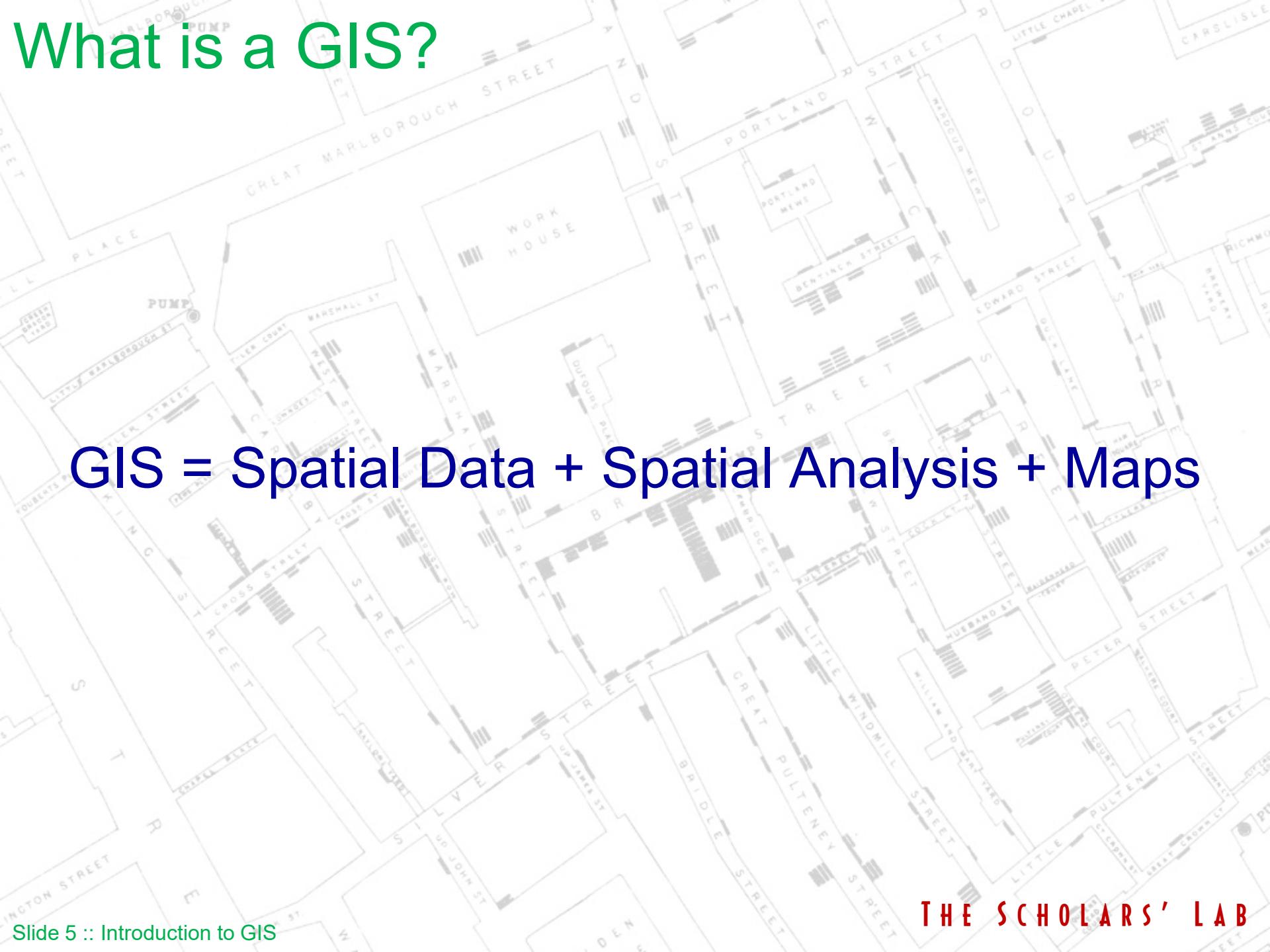
What is GIS?



- An Information System
Hardware, software, & analysis tools
- A system for **Viewing, Managing, and Analyzing** spatial data
- The Science of Where

What is a GIS?

GIS = Spatial Data + Spatial Analysis + Maps



What makes data spatial?

Grid coordinates

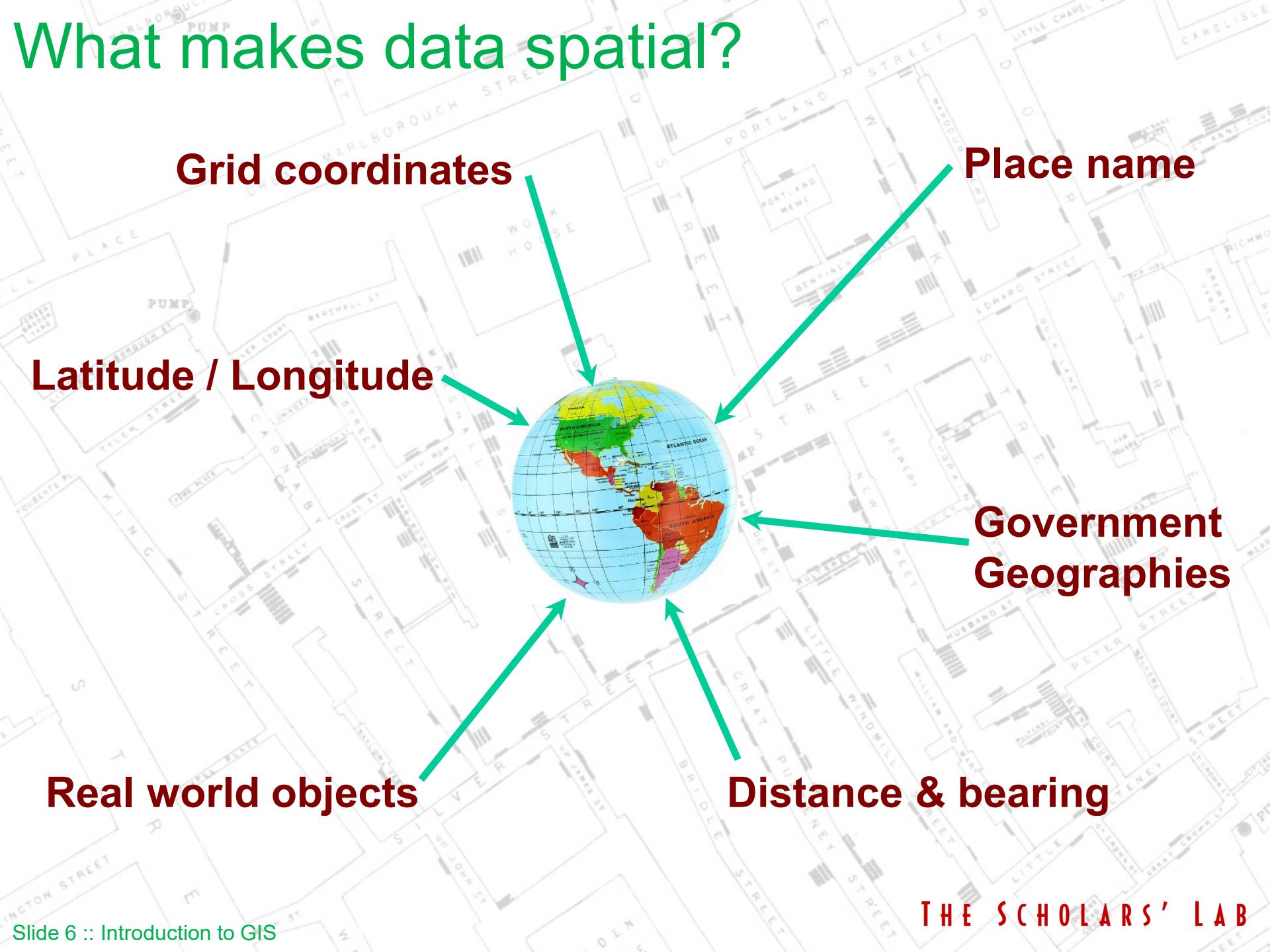
Latitude / Longitude

Place name

Government Geographies

Real world objects

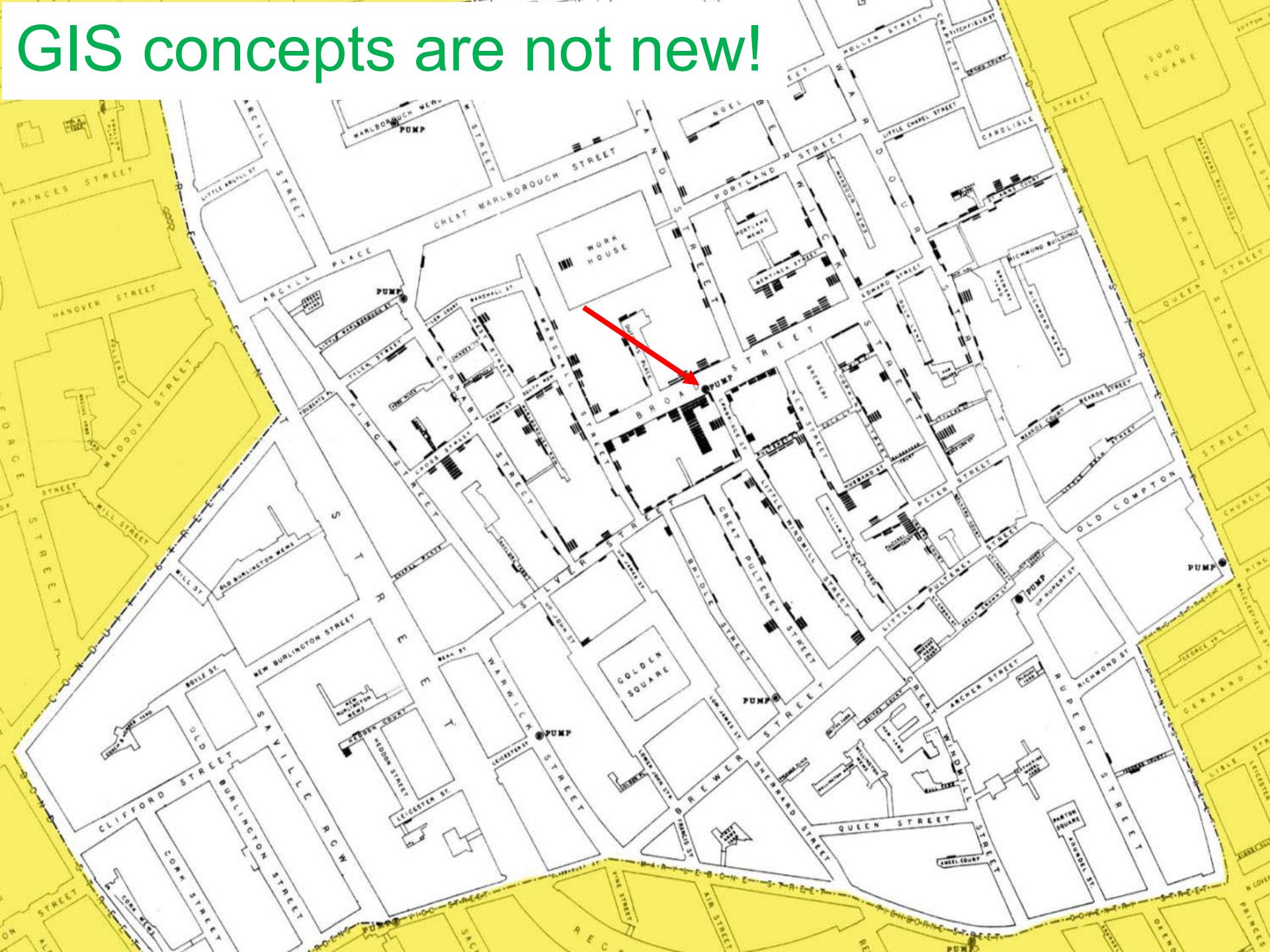
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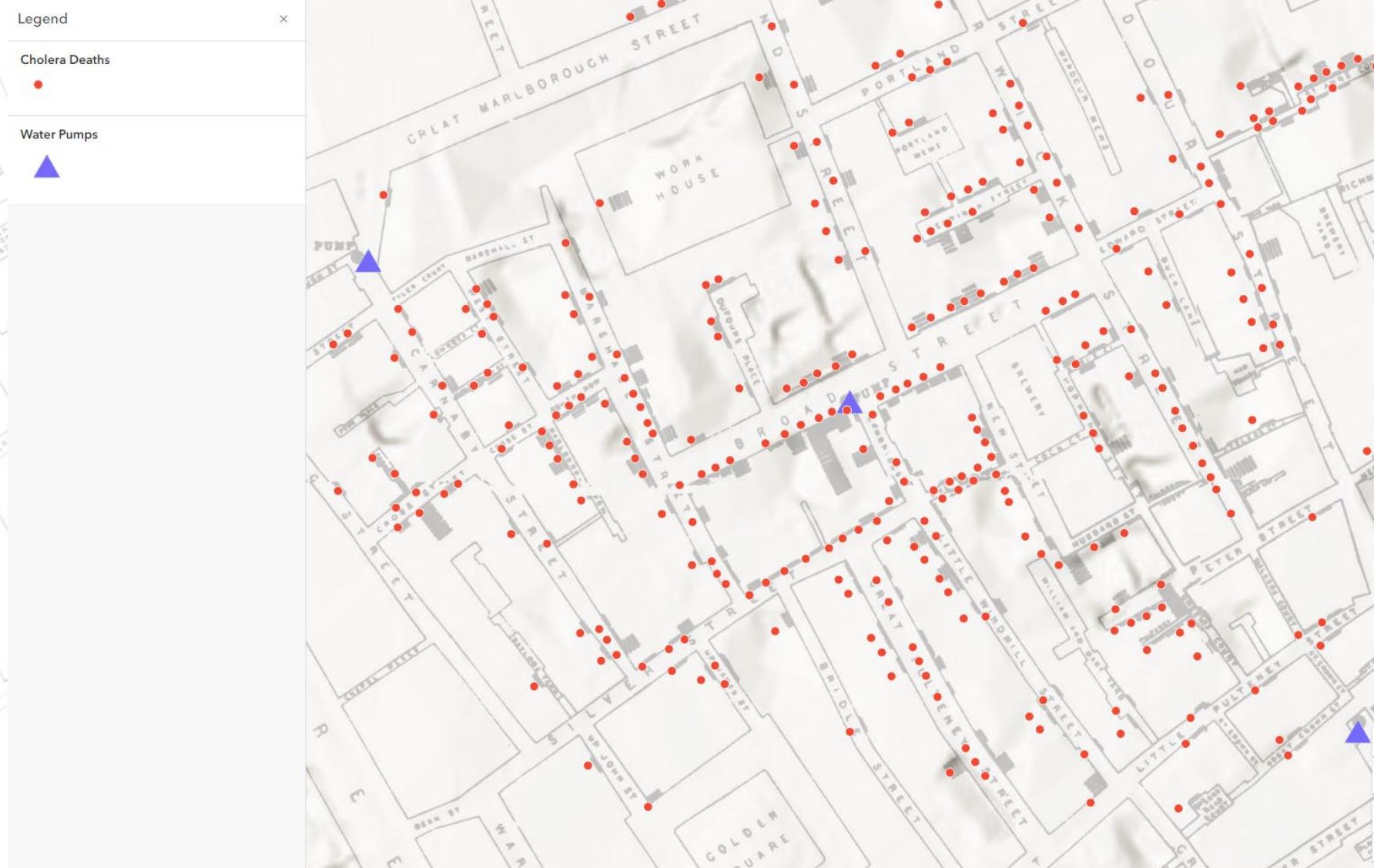
Why is GIS unique?

- GIS handles SPATIAL information
 - Information referenced by its location in space
- GIS makes connections between activities based on spatial proximity
- Creates relationships between otherwise unrelated data

GIS concepts are not new!



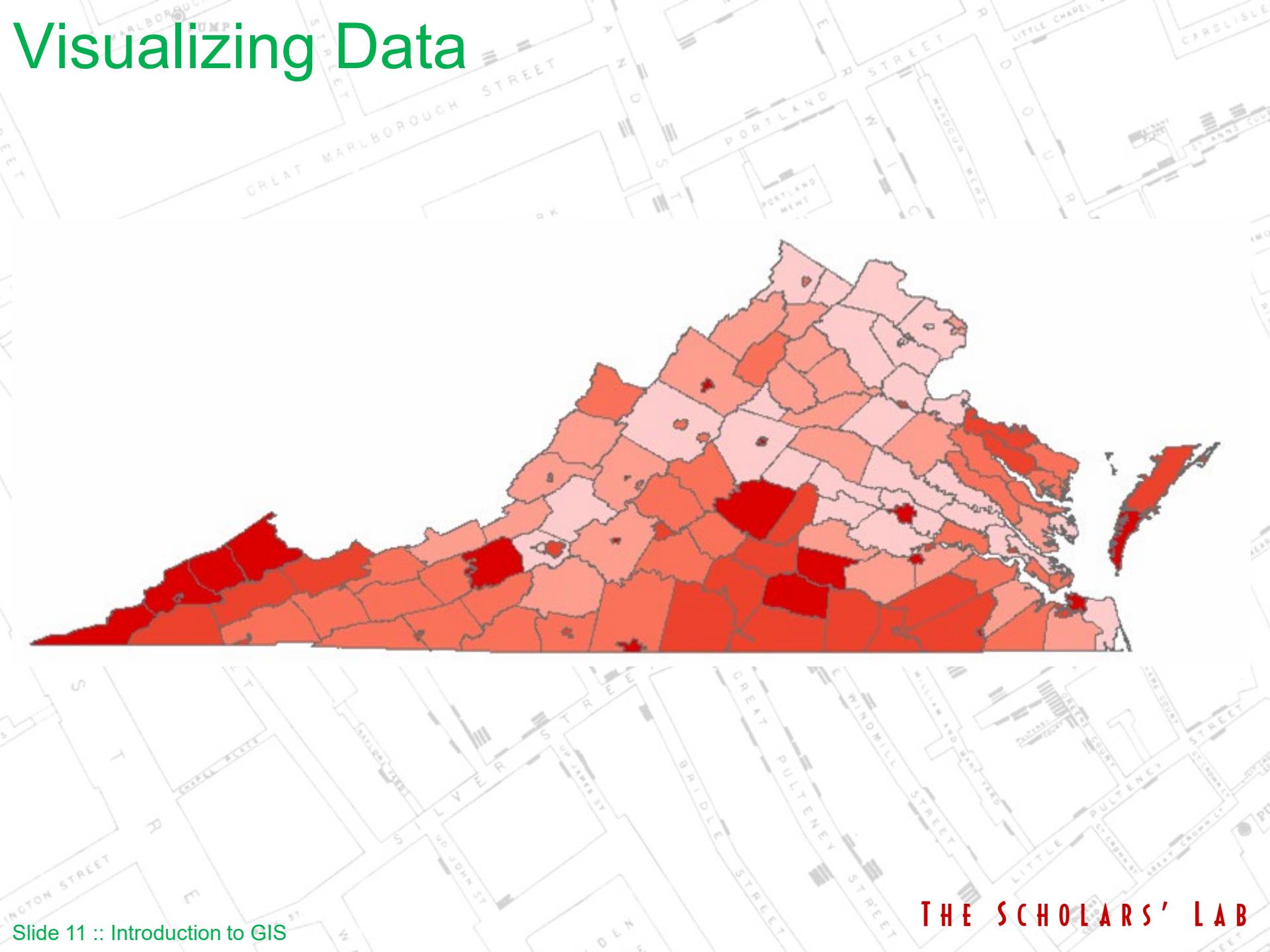
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Visualizing Data

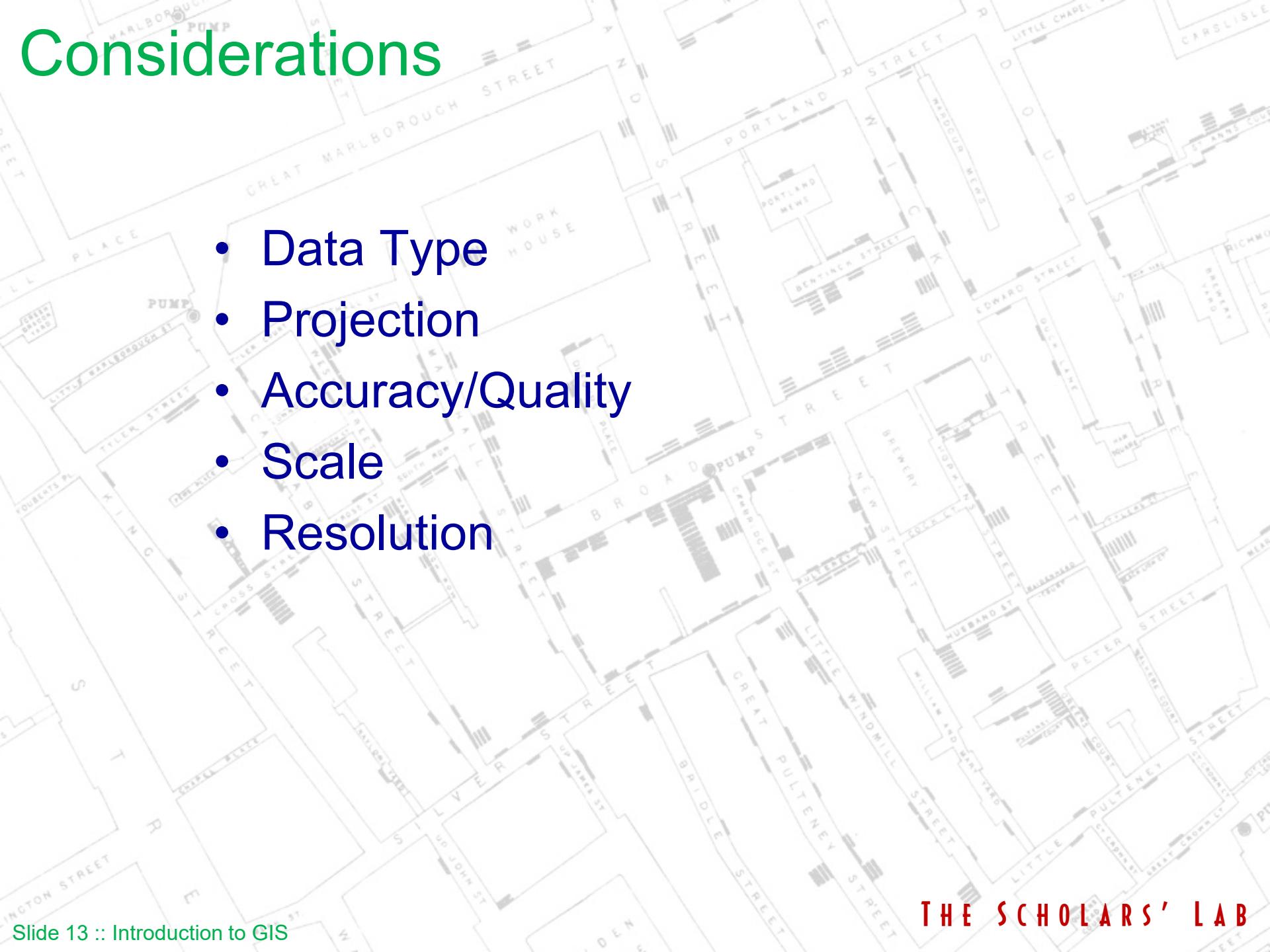
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Visualizing Data



Considerations

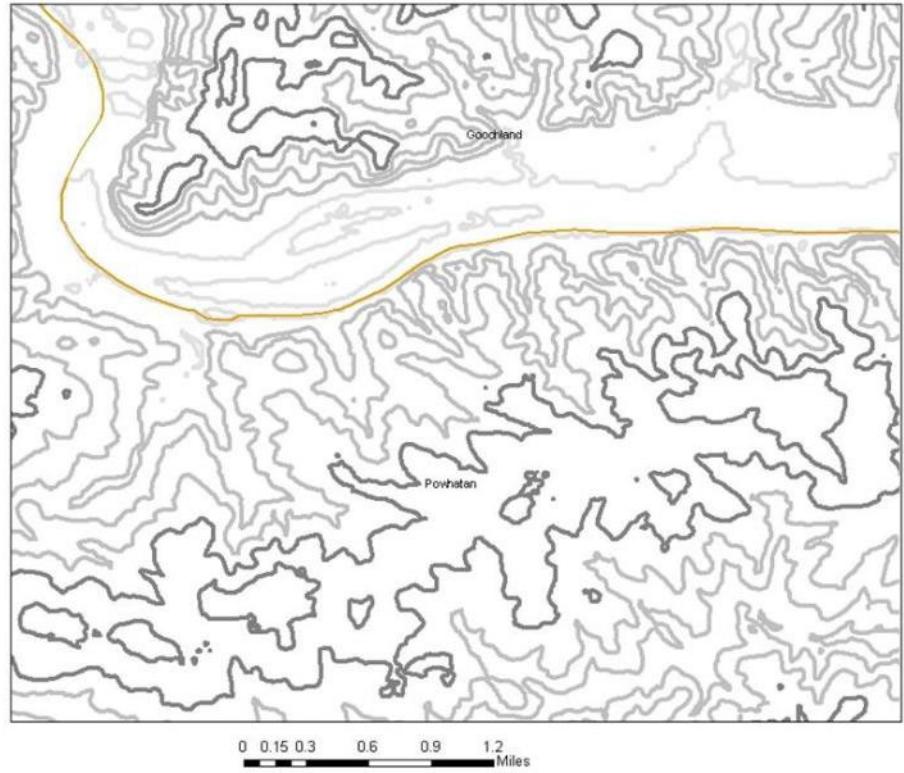
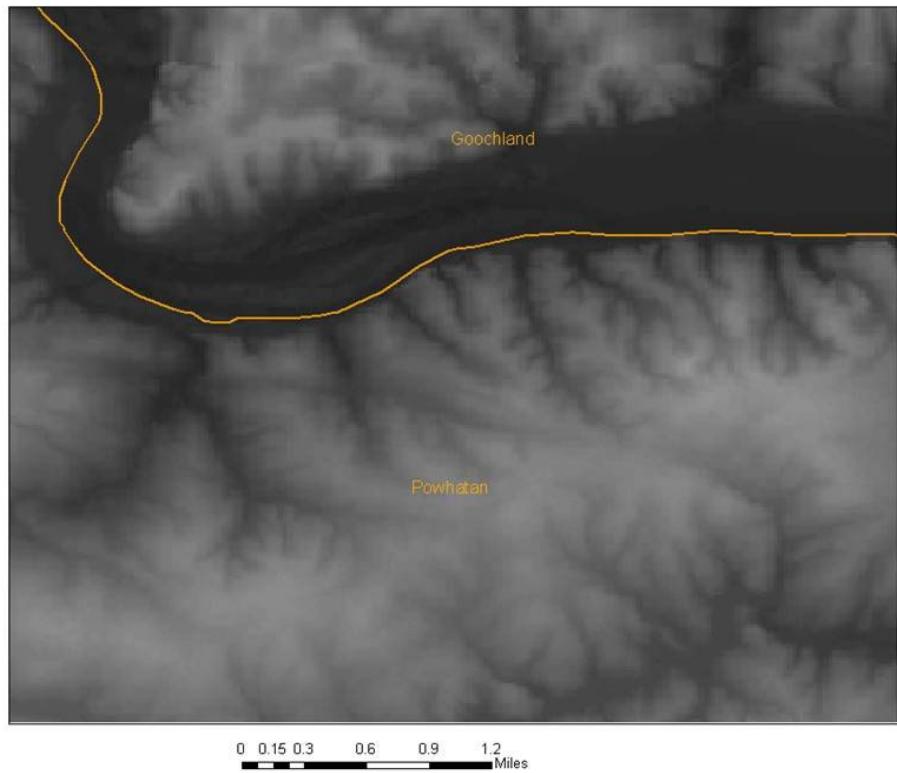
- Data Type
- Projection
- Accuracy/Quality
- Scale
- Resolution



Types of Geographic Data

Raster

Vector



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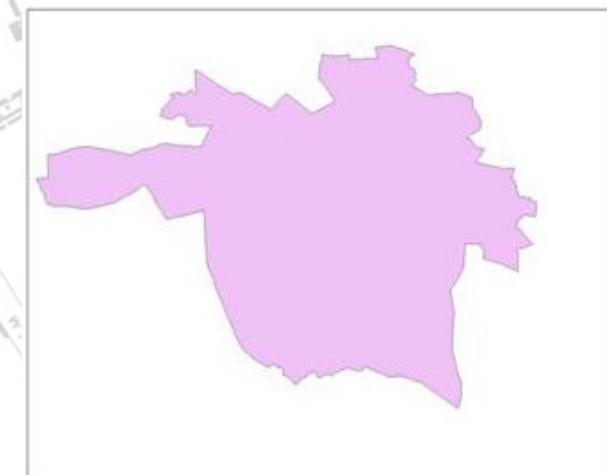
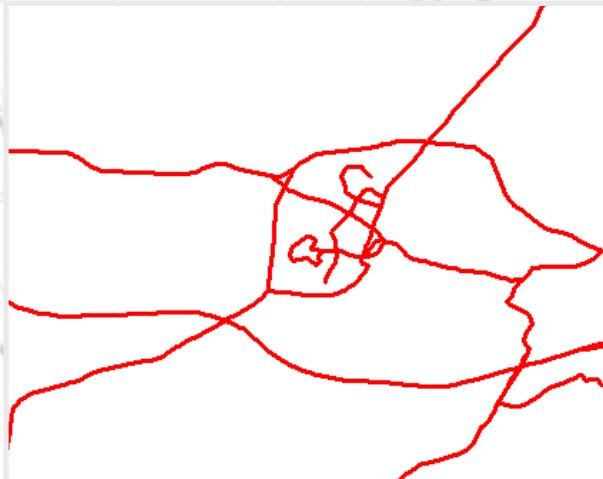
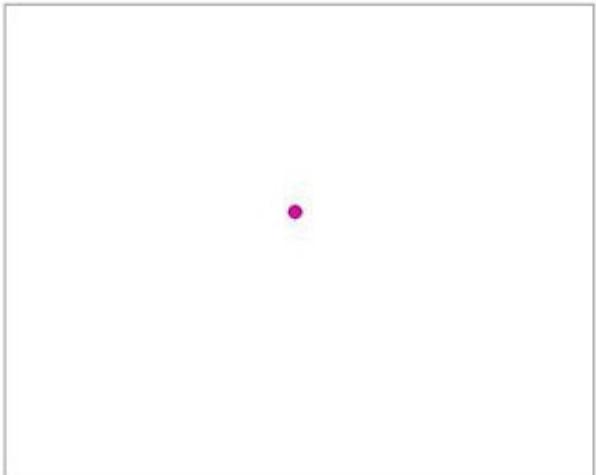
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Arc(Polyline)



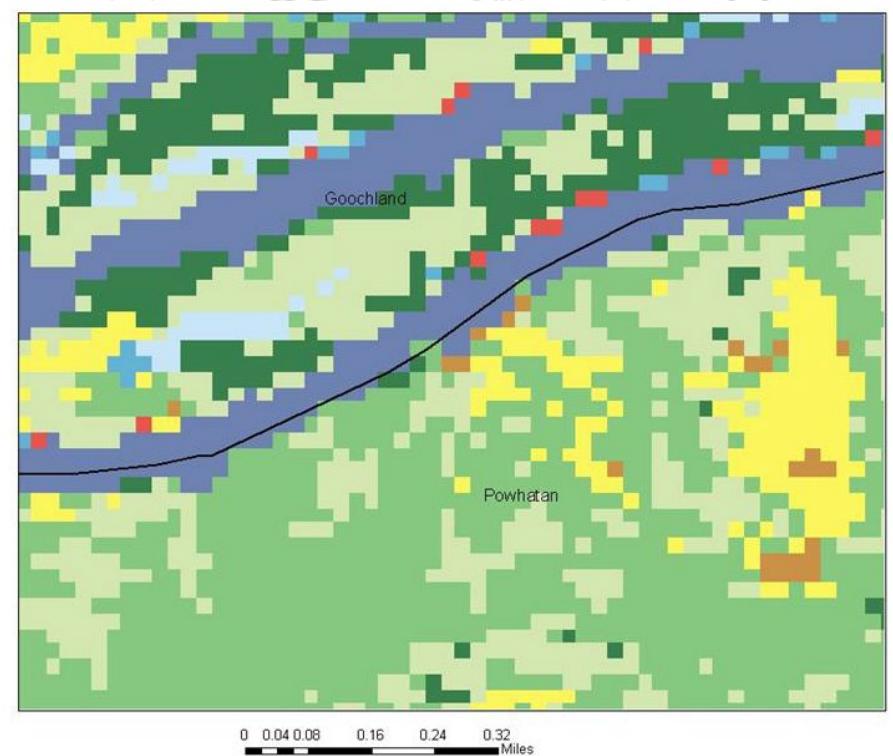
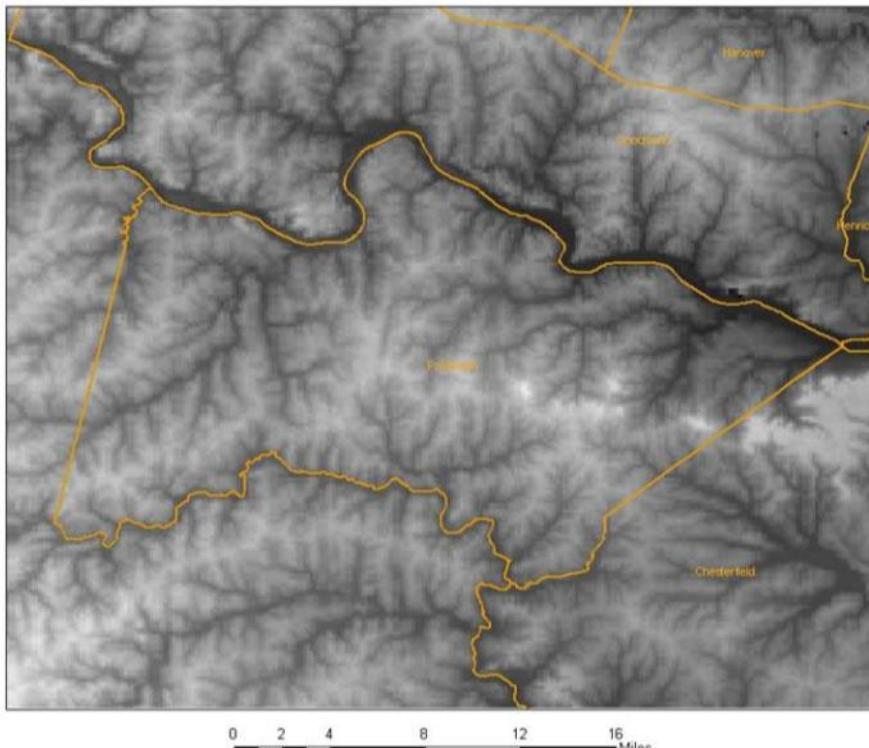
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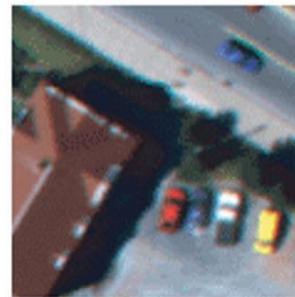
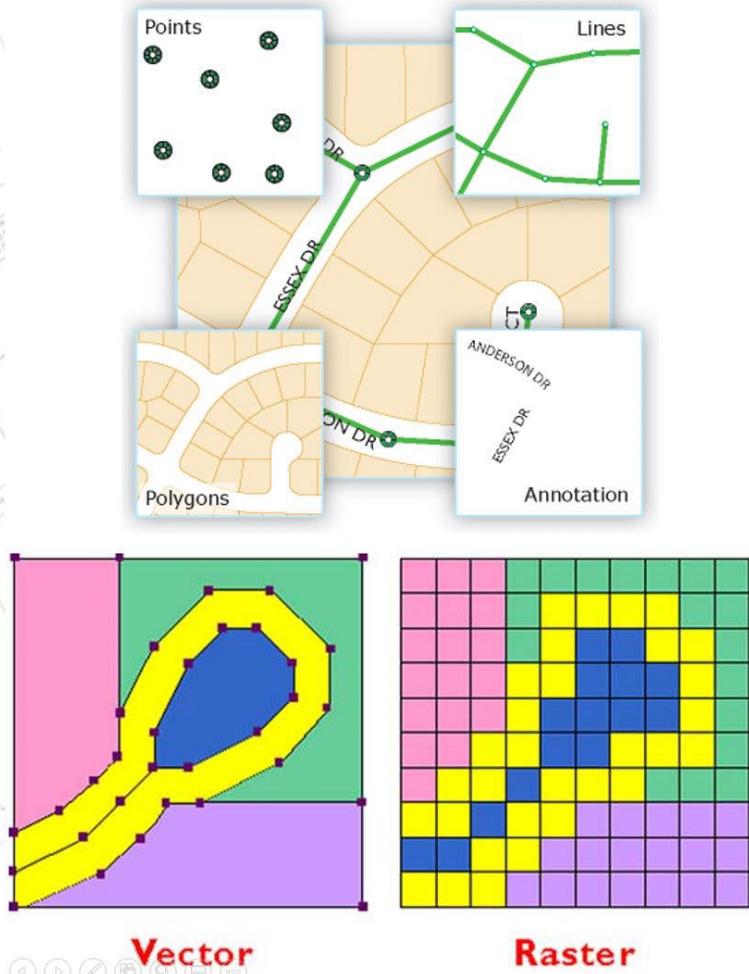
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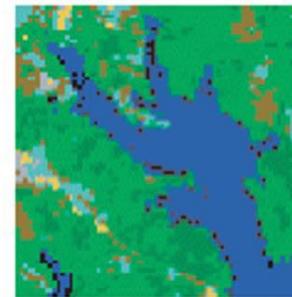
Collection of cells or pixels, each with a specific value



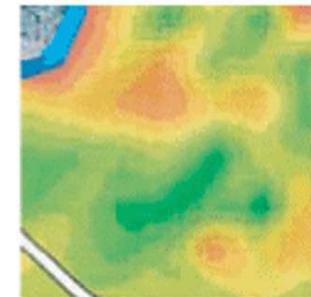
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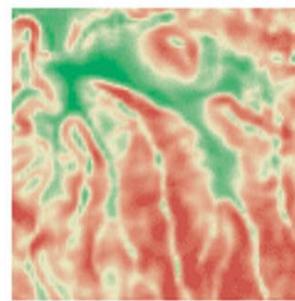
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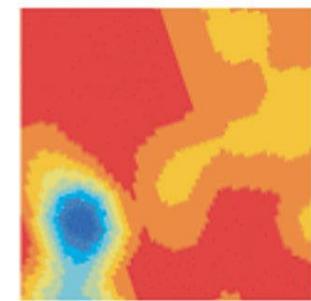
Concentration



Slope



Elevation



Population

Map Projection = 3D to 2D



Projection System

- Also known as “coordinate system”
- Dependent upon:
 - Local standards
 - Uses and needs
- Multiple data sources can mean multiple projections



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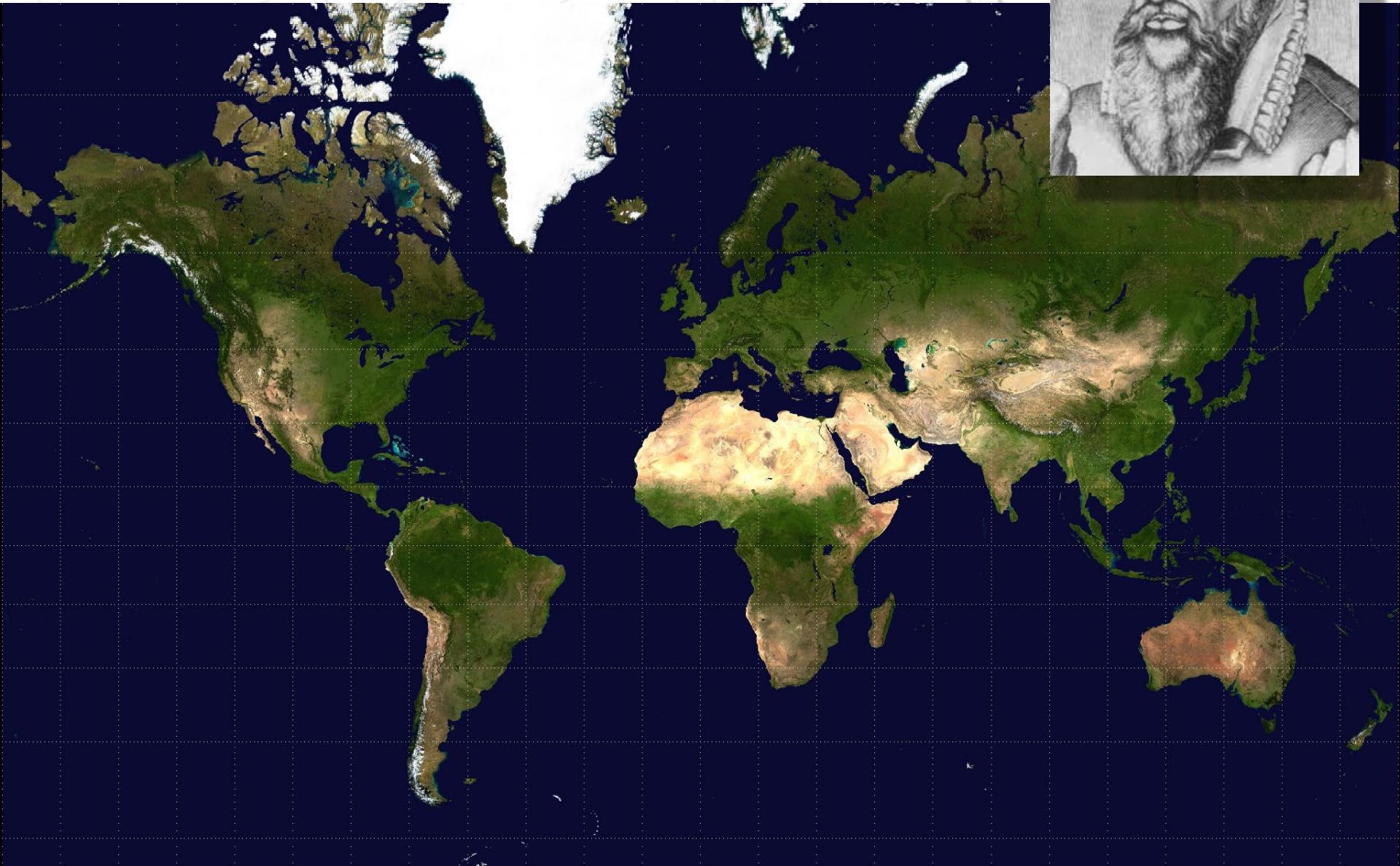
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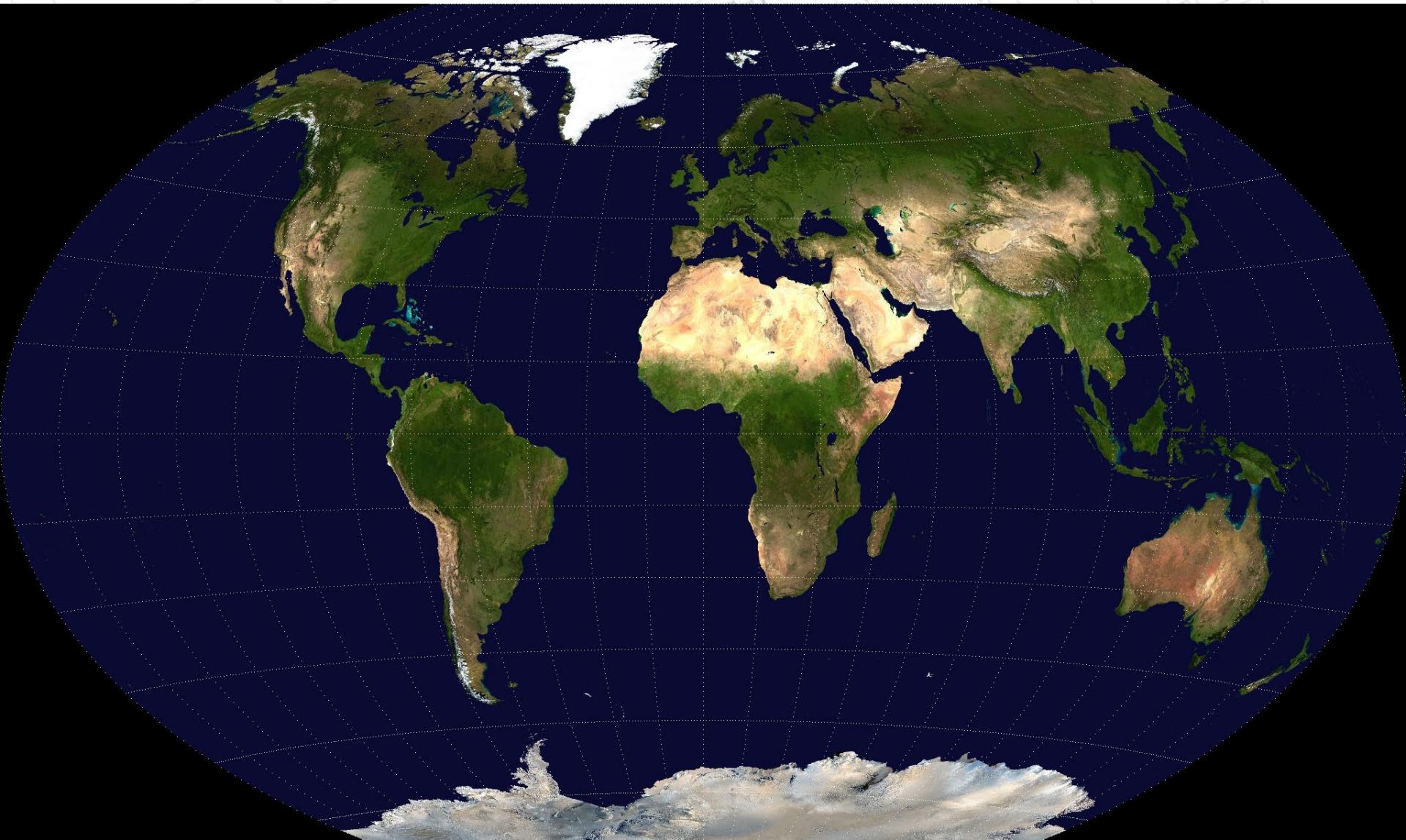
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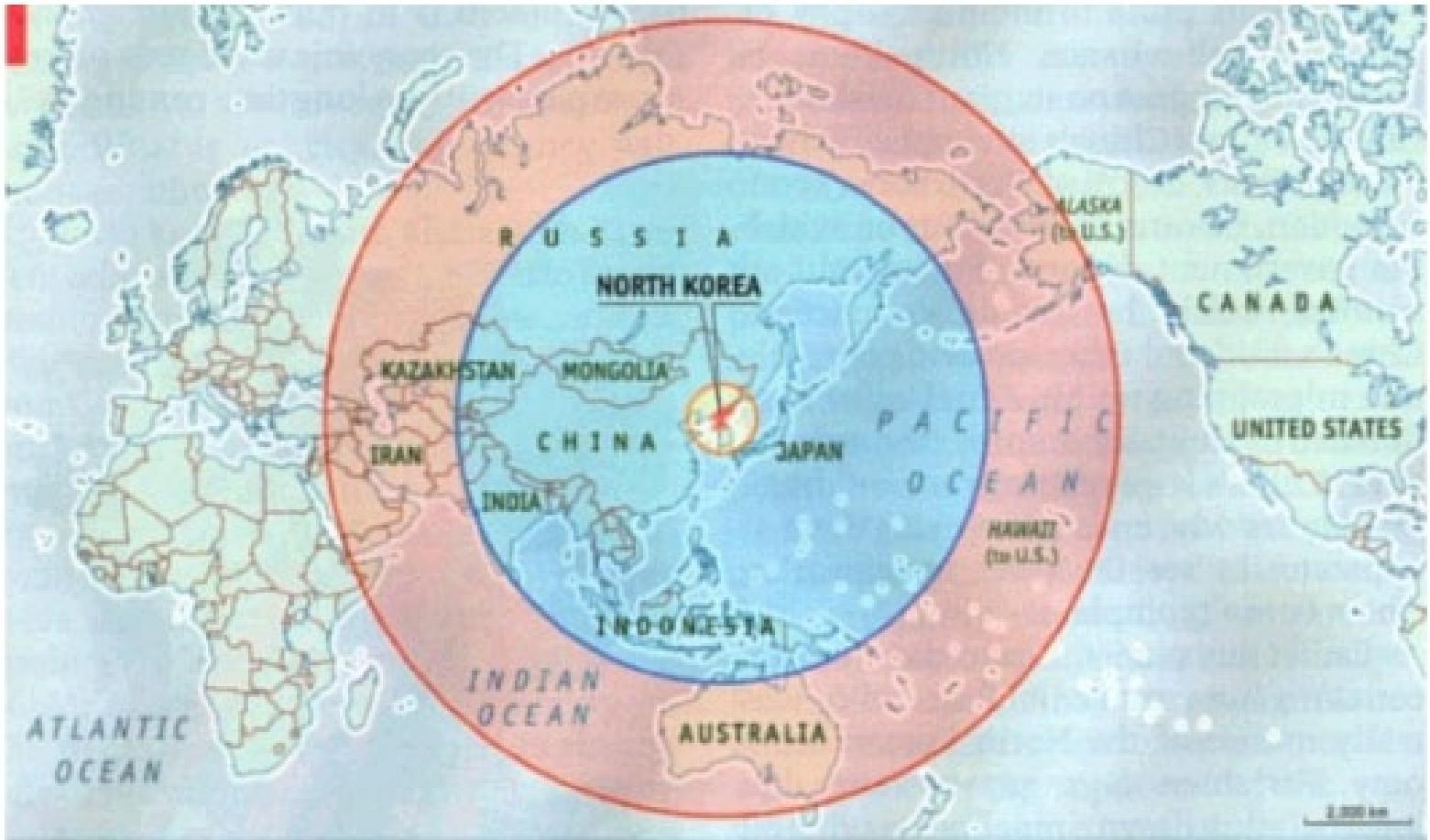


Gall-Peters Projection Preserves Area – Distorts Shape



Winkel Tripel Projection Compromise Projection – Nat Geo





North Korea's missile threat

Type	Maximum range	Payload	Status
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Projections

Summary

● = Yes
○ = Partly

Projection	Type	Properties						Suitable for Mapping			General Use		
		Conformal	Equal area	Equidistant	True direction	Perspective	Compromise	Straight rhumbs	World	Hemisphere	Continent/Ocean	Region/Sea	Medium Scale
Globe	Sphere	● ● ● ●							●				
Mercator	Cylindrical	● ○		●					○	●			
Transverse Mercator	Cylindrical	●								● ● ● ●			
Oblique Mercator	Cylindrical	●								● ● ● ●			
Space Oblique Mercator	Cylindrical	●								●			
Miller Cylindrical	Cylindrical			●					●				
Robinson	Pseudocylindrical			●					●				
Sinusoidal Equal Area	Pseudocylindrical	● ○							●	●			
Orthographic	Azimuthal		○ ●						○				
Stereographic	Azimuthal	●	○ ●						● ● ● ● ●				
Gnomonic	Azimuthal		○ ●							○			
Azimuthal Equidistant	Azimuthal		○ ○						○ ● ● ● ○		○		
Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area	Azimuthal	● ○							● ● ● ●				
Albers Equal Area Conic	Conic	●							● ● ● ●				
Lambert Conformal Conic	Conic	● ○							● ● ● ●				
Equidistant Conic (Simple Conic)	Conic		○						● ●				
Polyconic	Conic		○	●							○ ○		
Bipolar Oblique Conic Conformal	Conic	●							●				

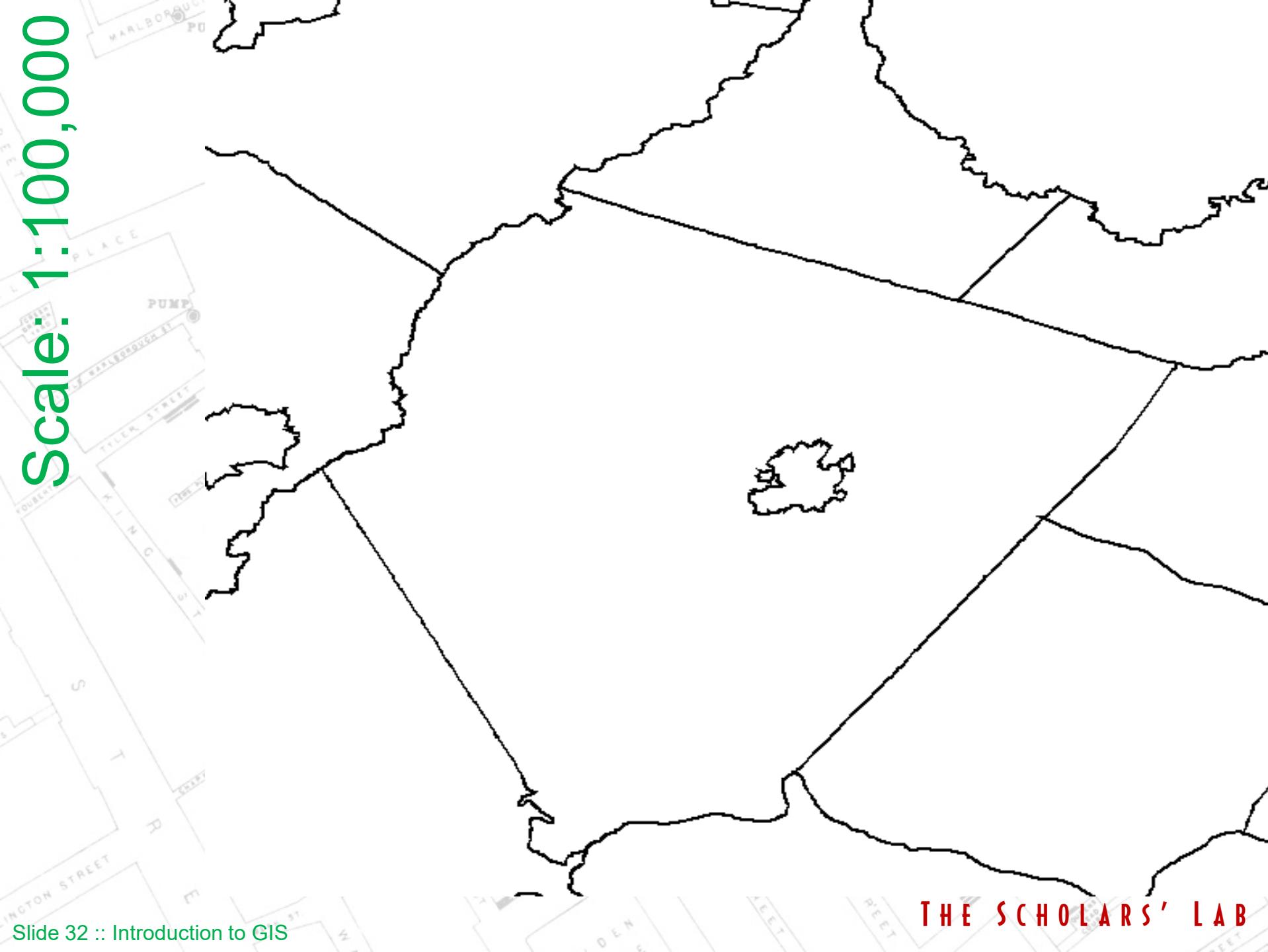
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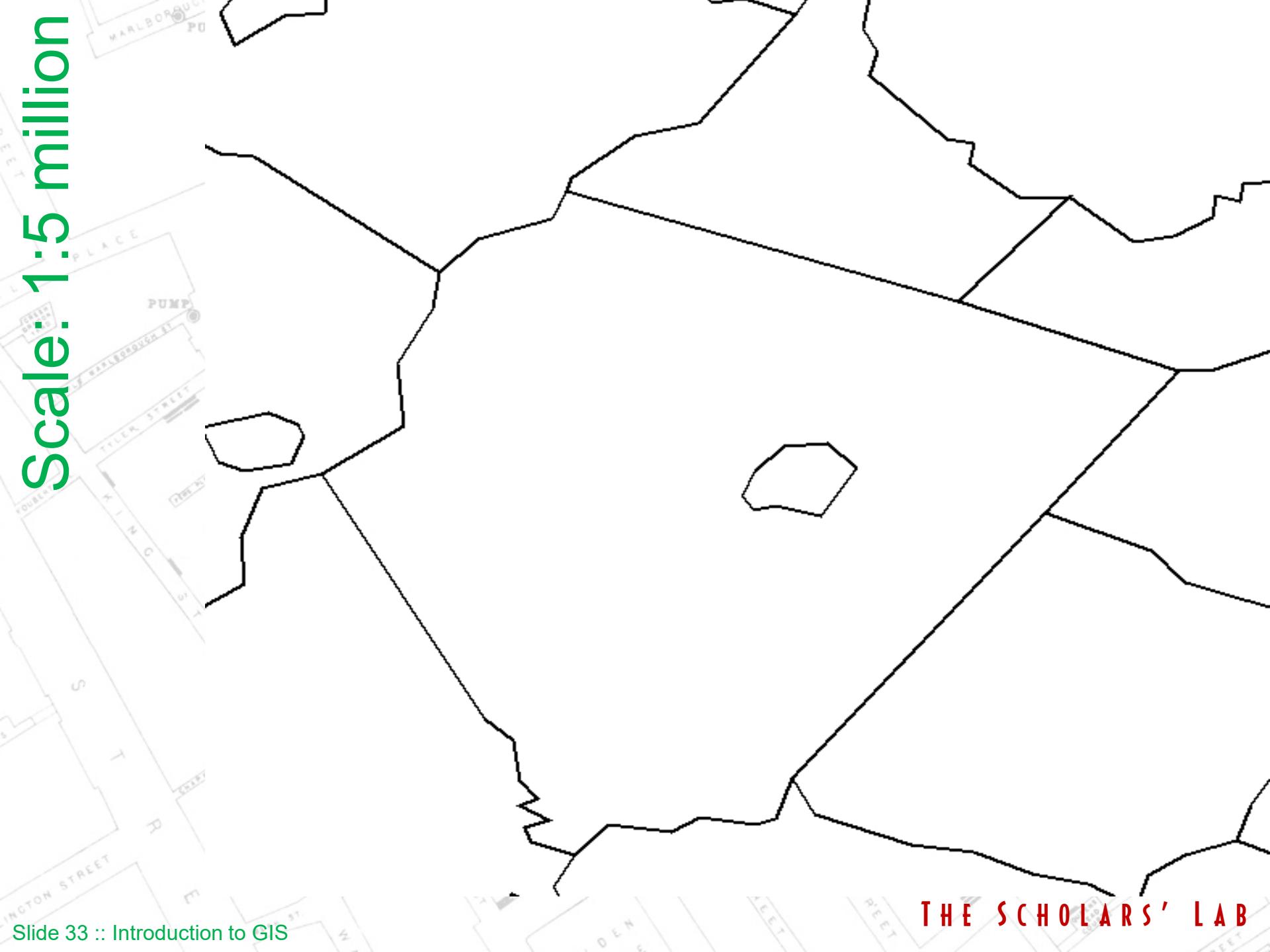
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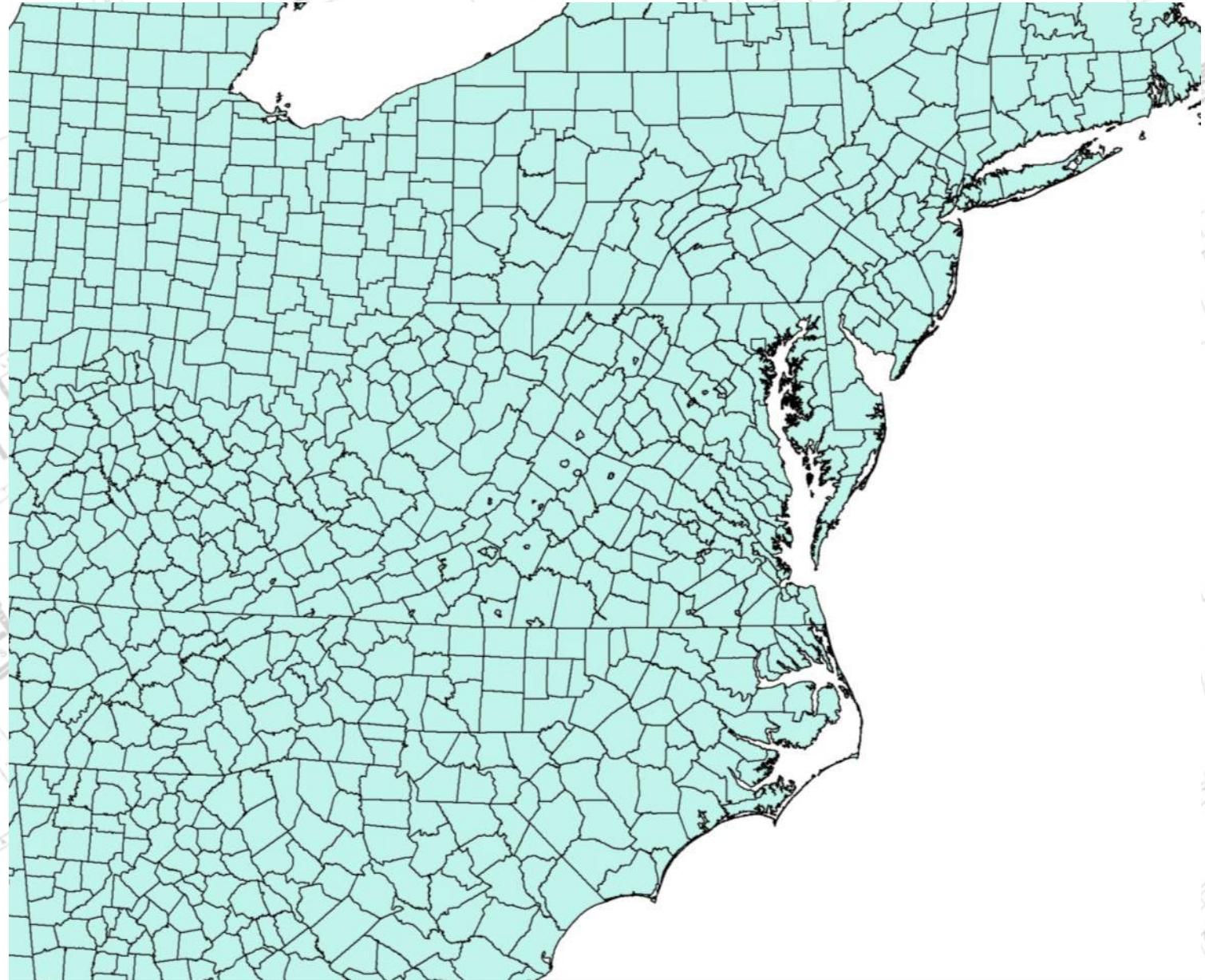
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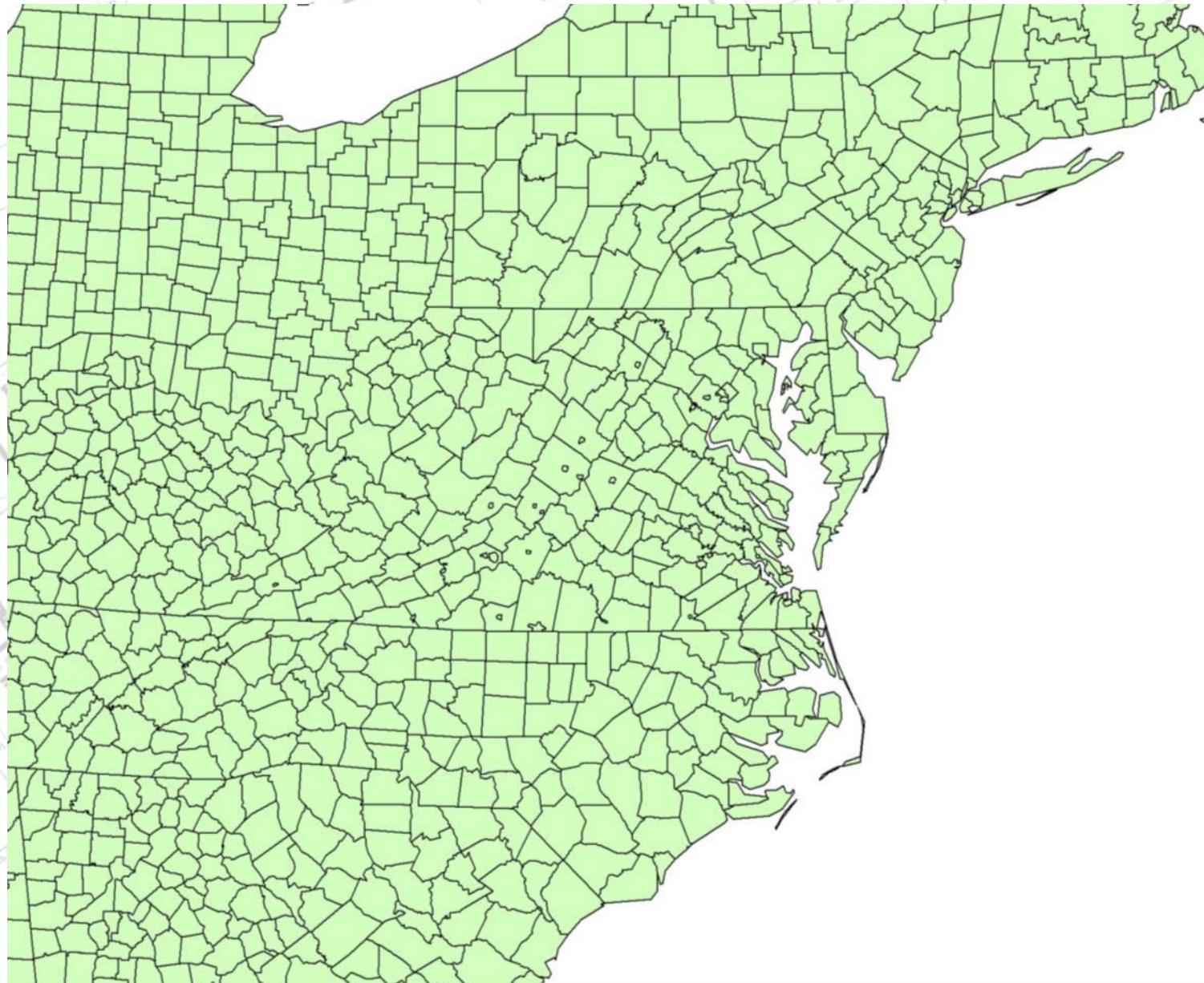


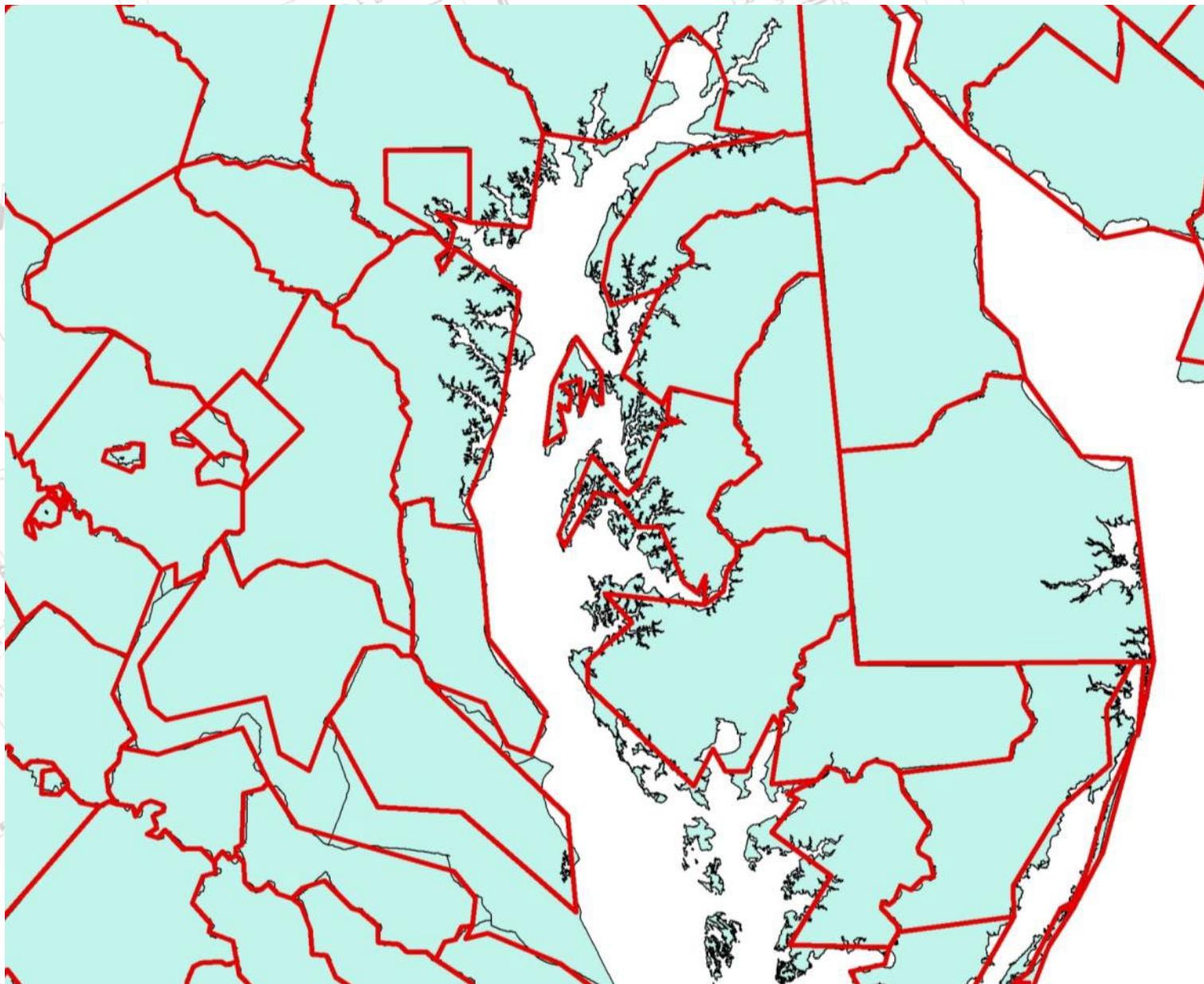


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Resolution: 1-foot/pixel



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Resolution: 1-meter/pixel



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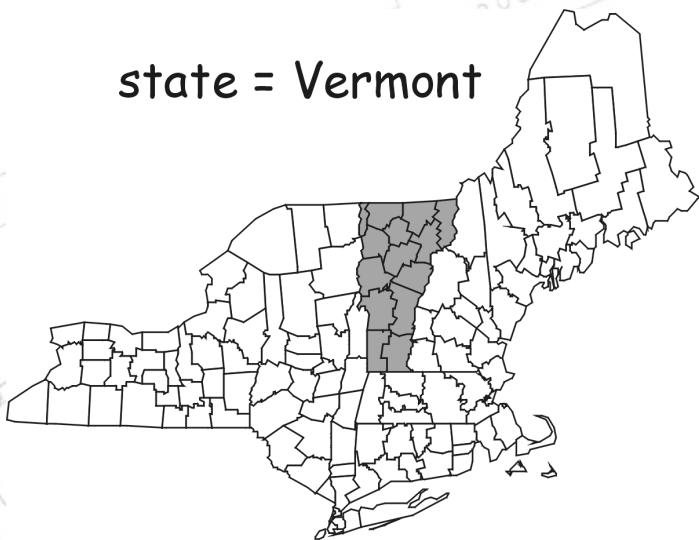
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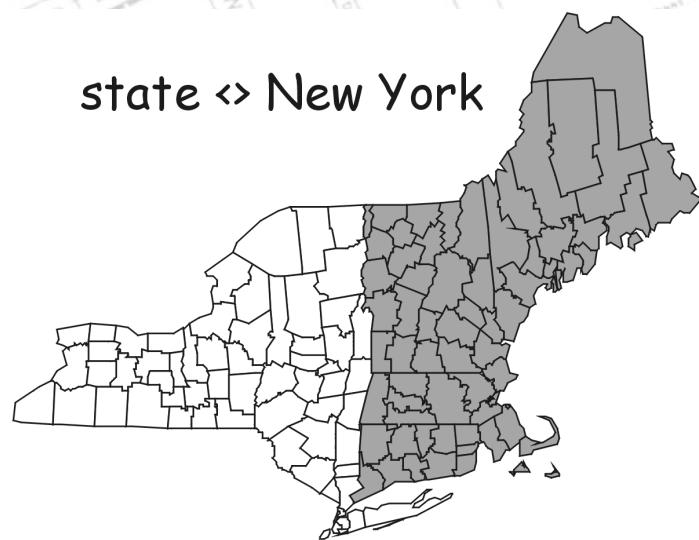
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- Dissolve
- Proximity and Buffering
- Network Analysis
- Overlay
 - Clip
 - Intersection
 - Union
- Extract by Point

Selection and Classification

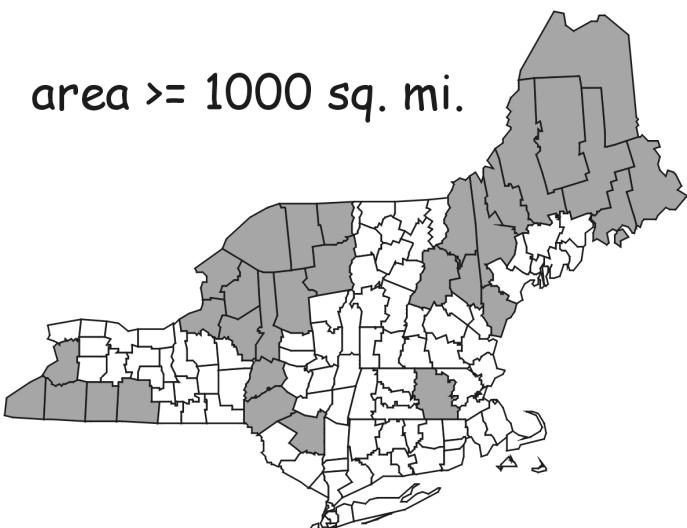
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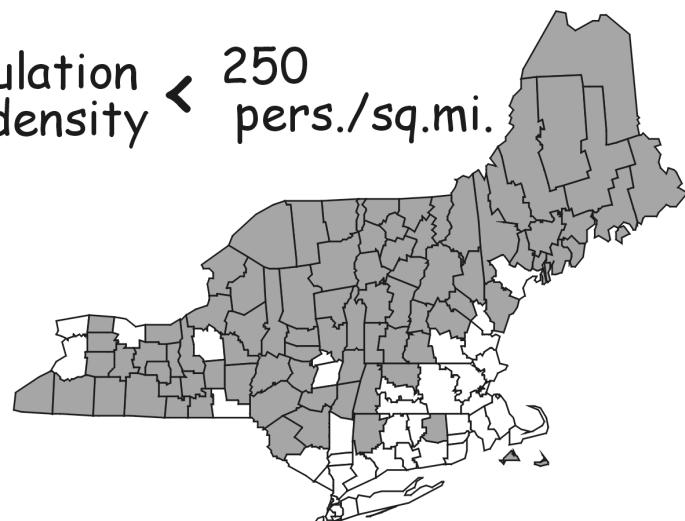
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area \geq 1000 sq. mi.



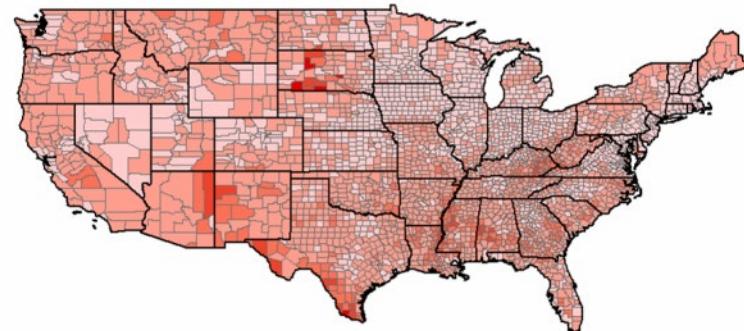
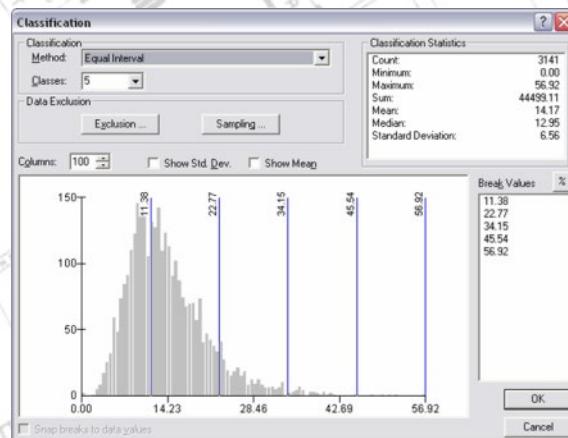
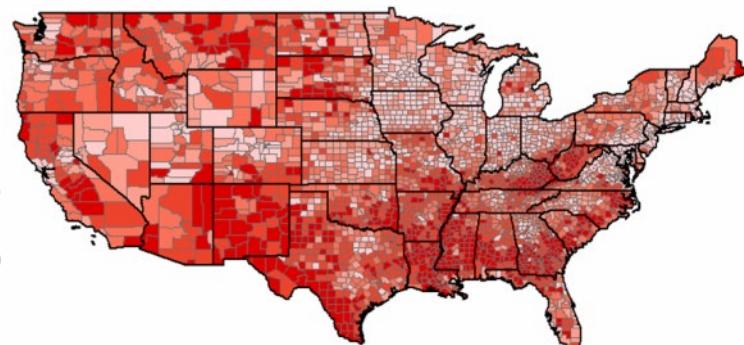
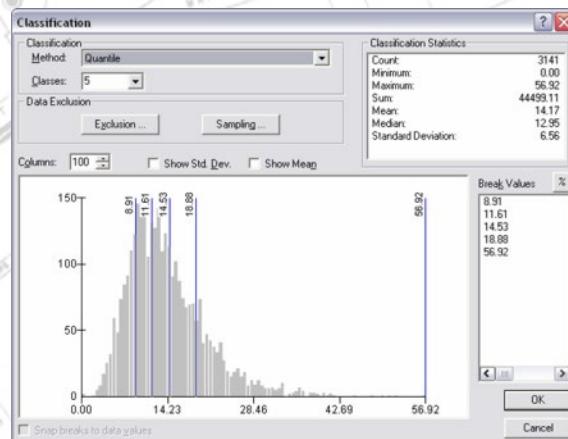
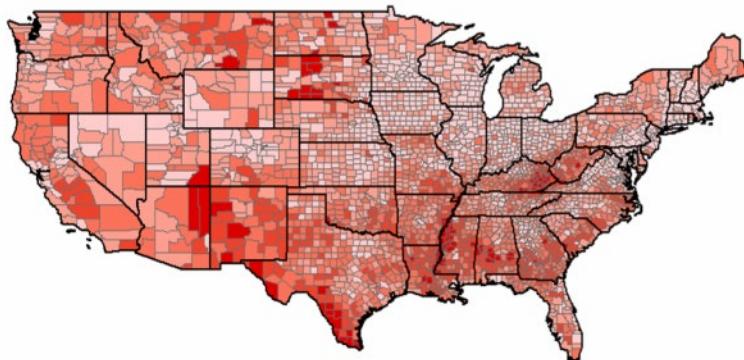
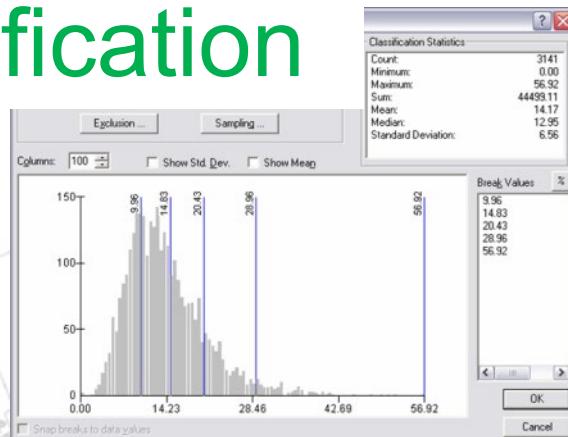
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pers./sq.mi.



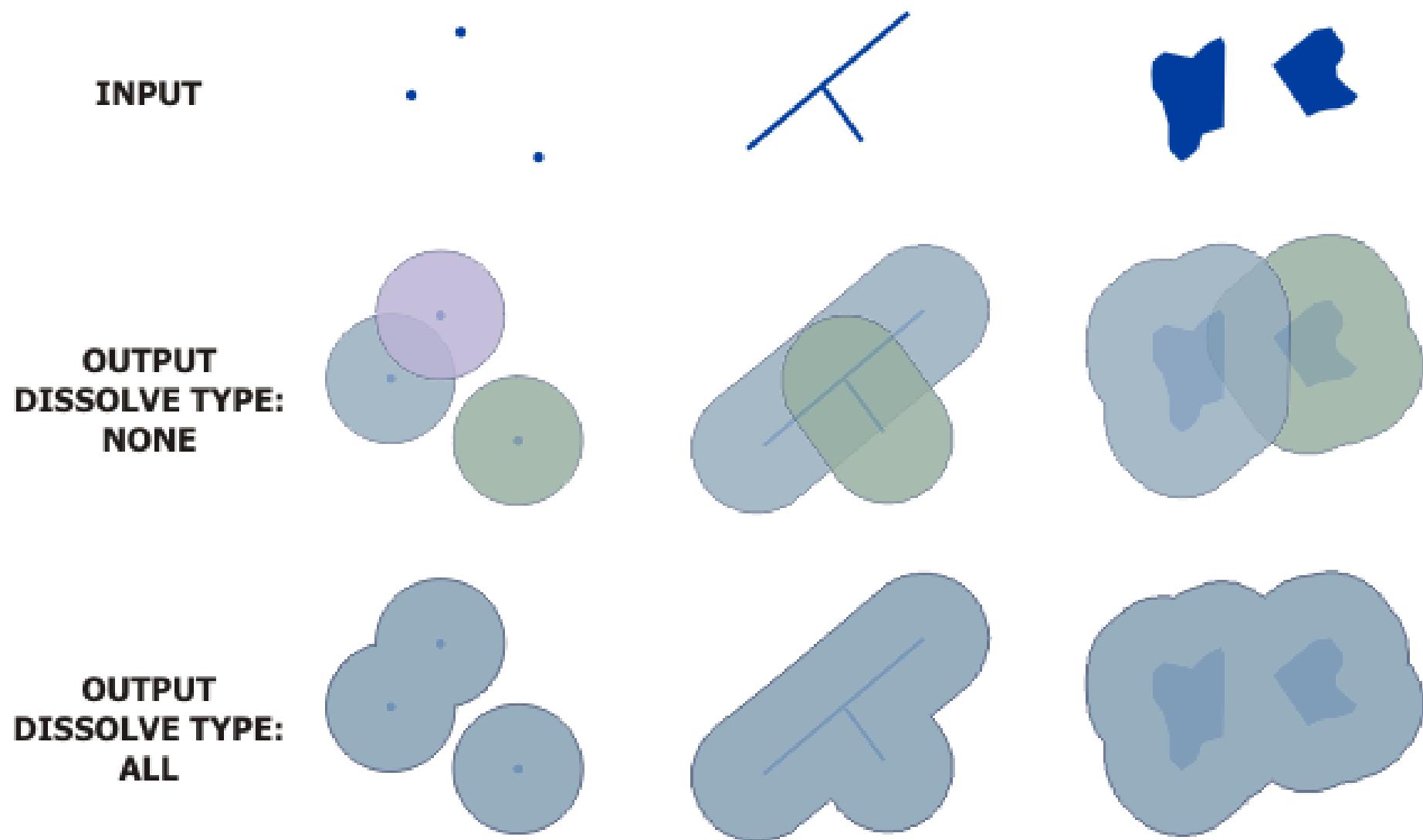
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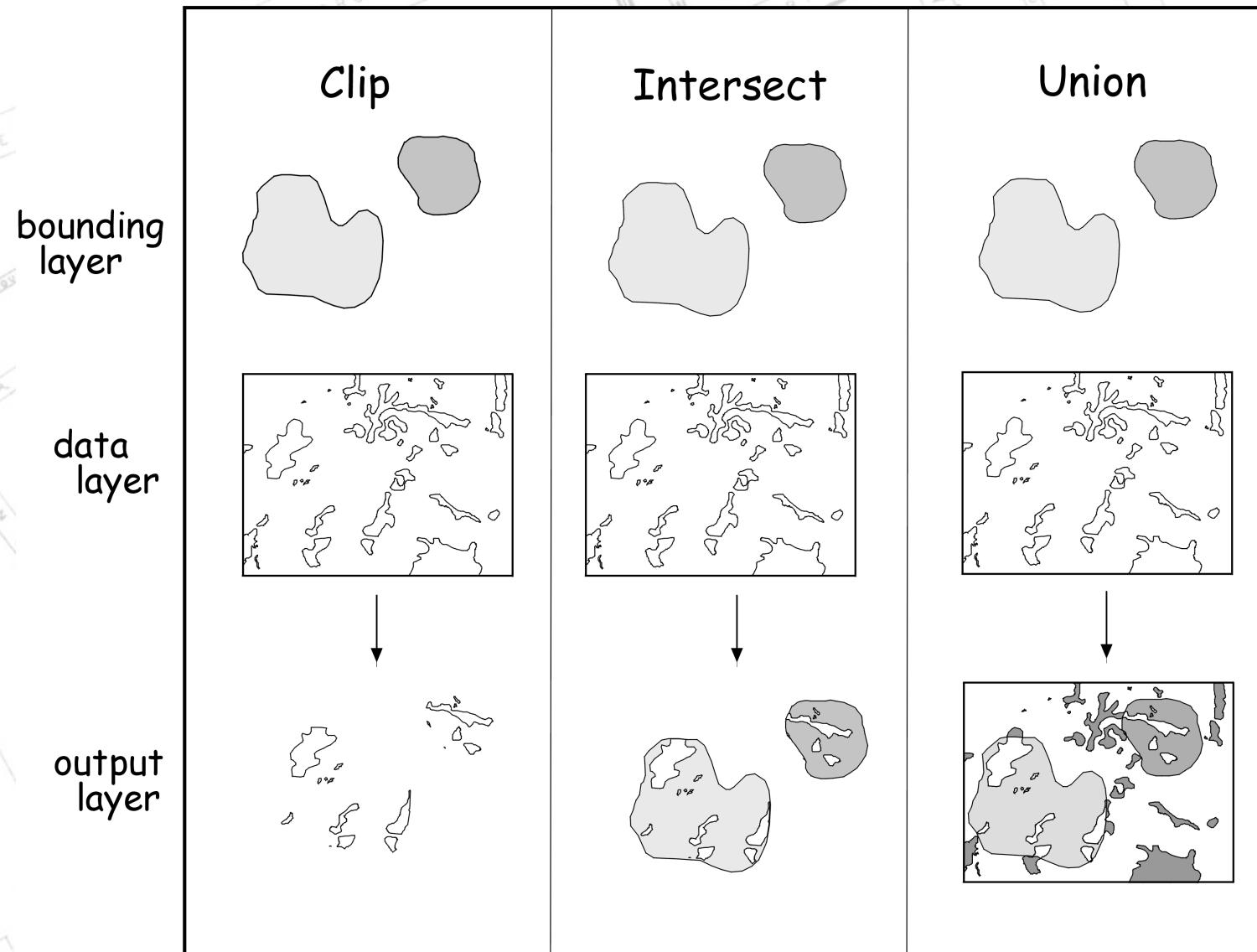
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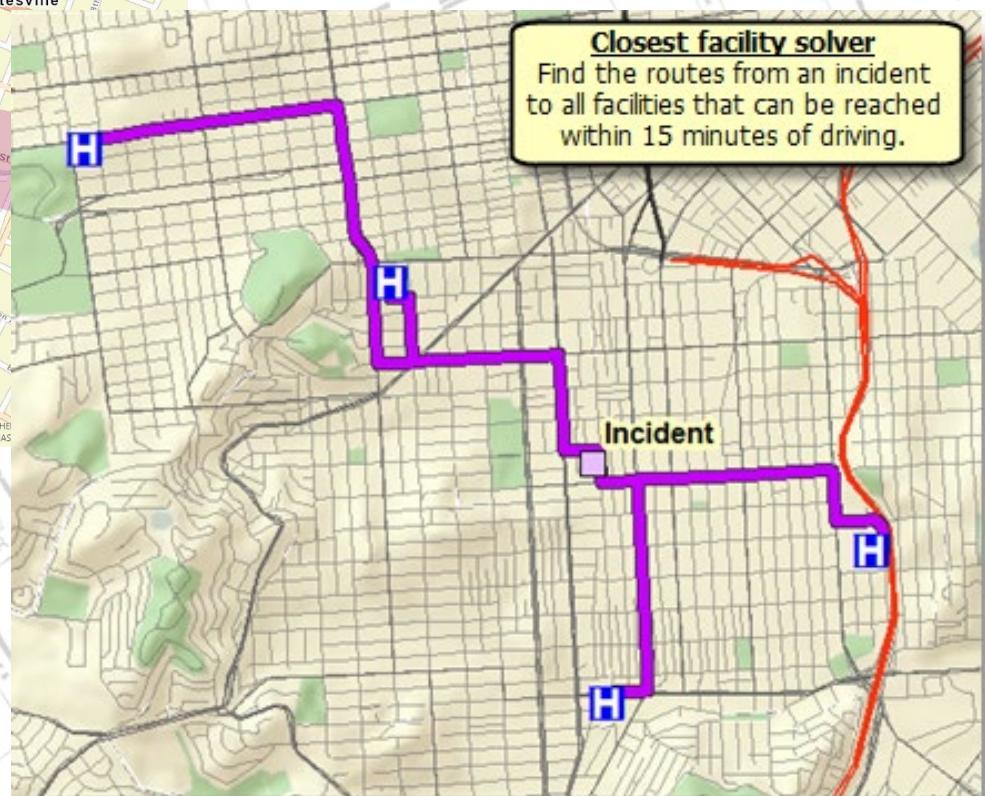
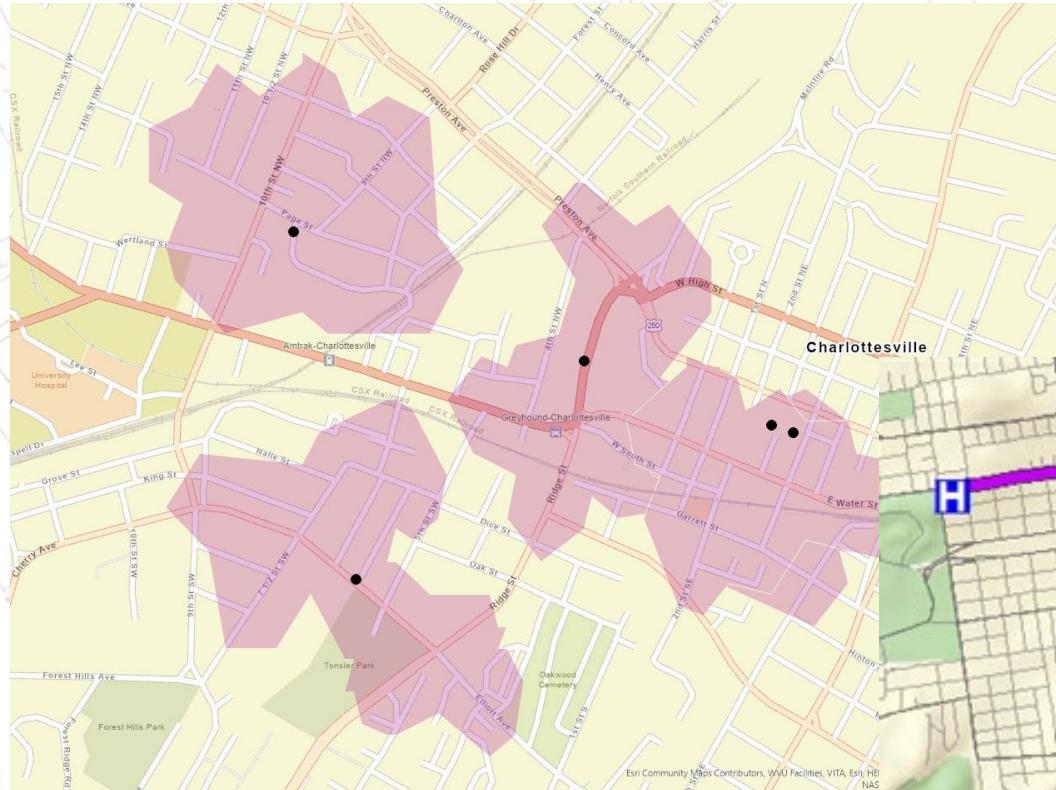
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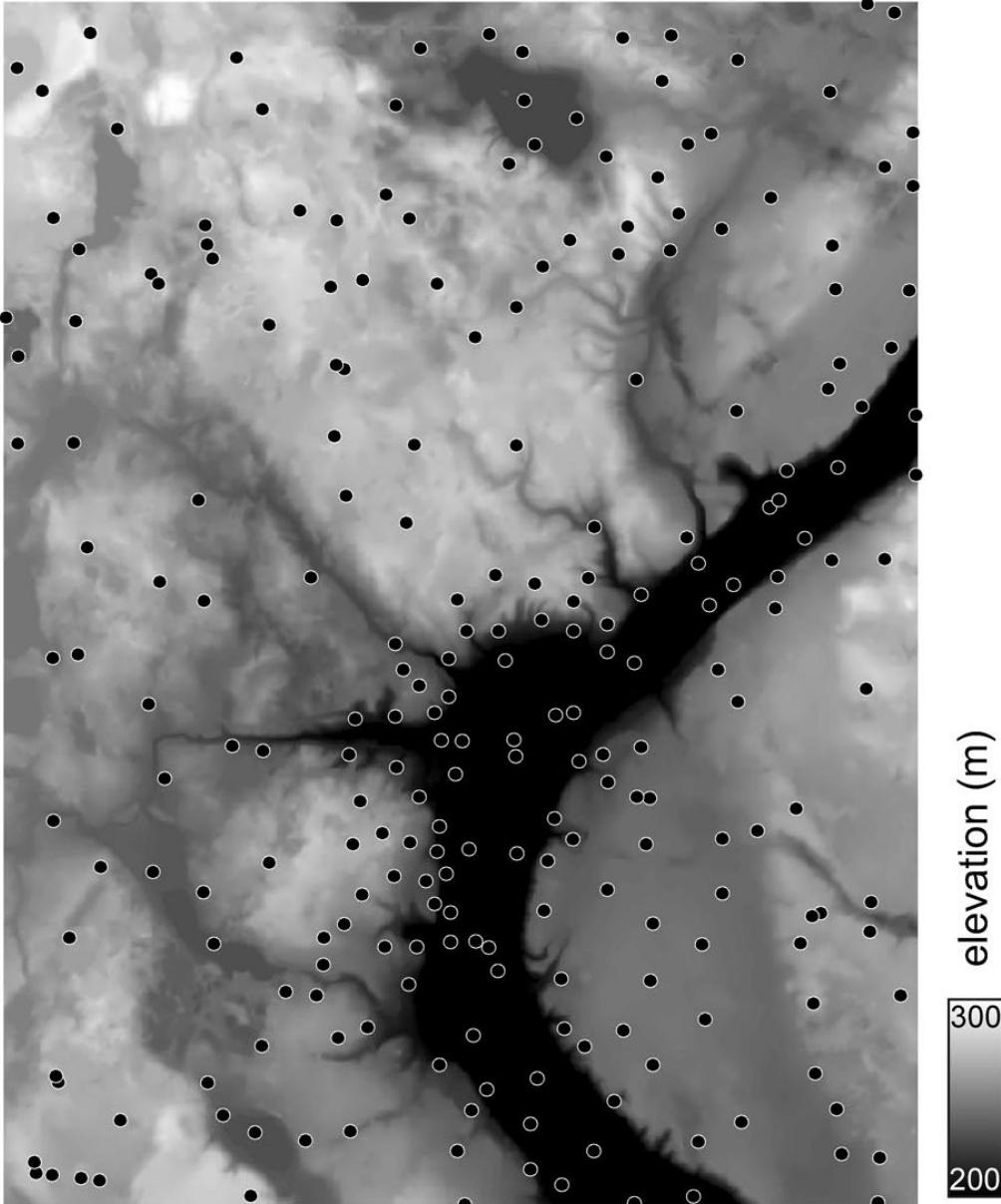
Clip, Intersect, Union



Network Analysis

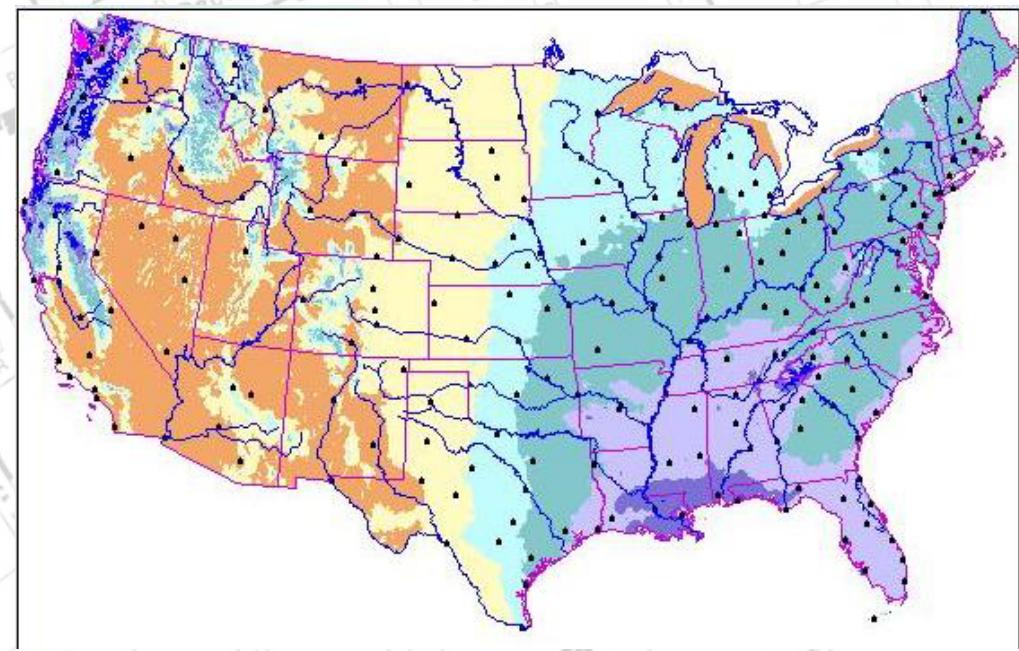
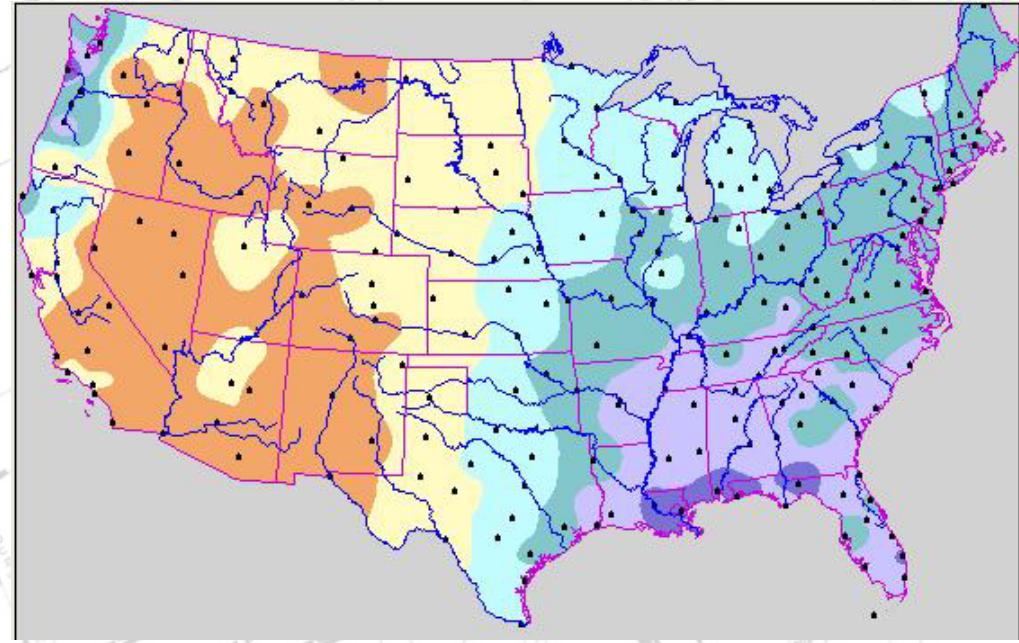


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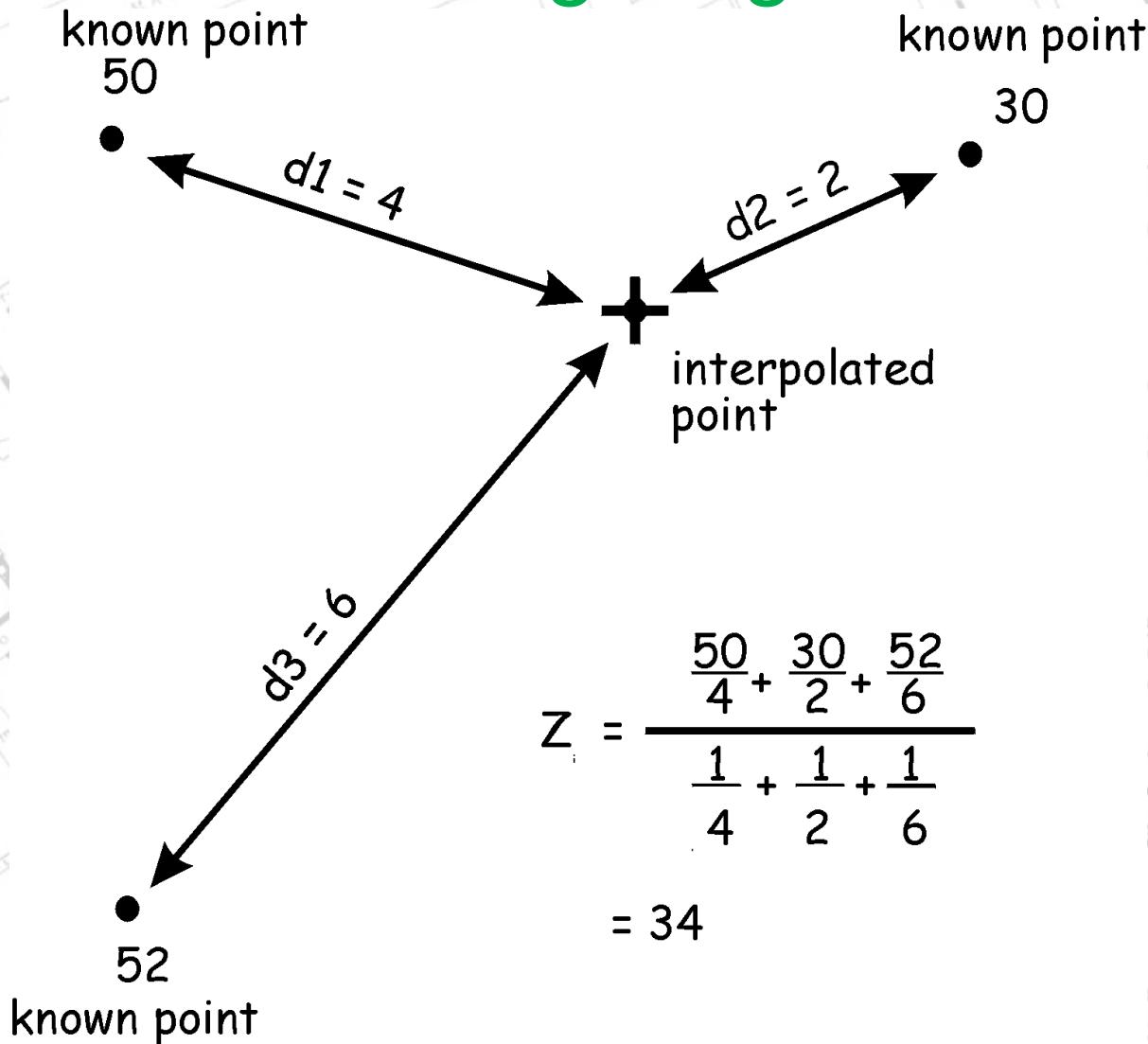


Making surfaces from points...

200 weather
stations
vs.
9000 weather
stations

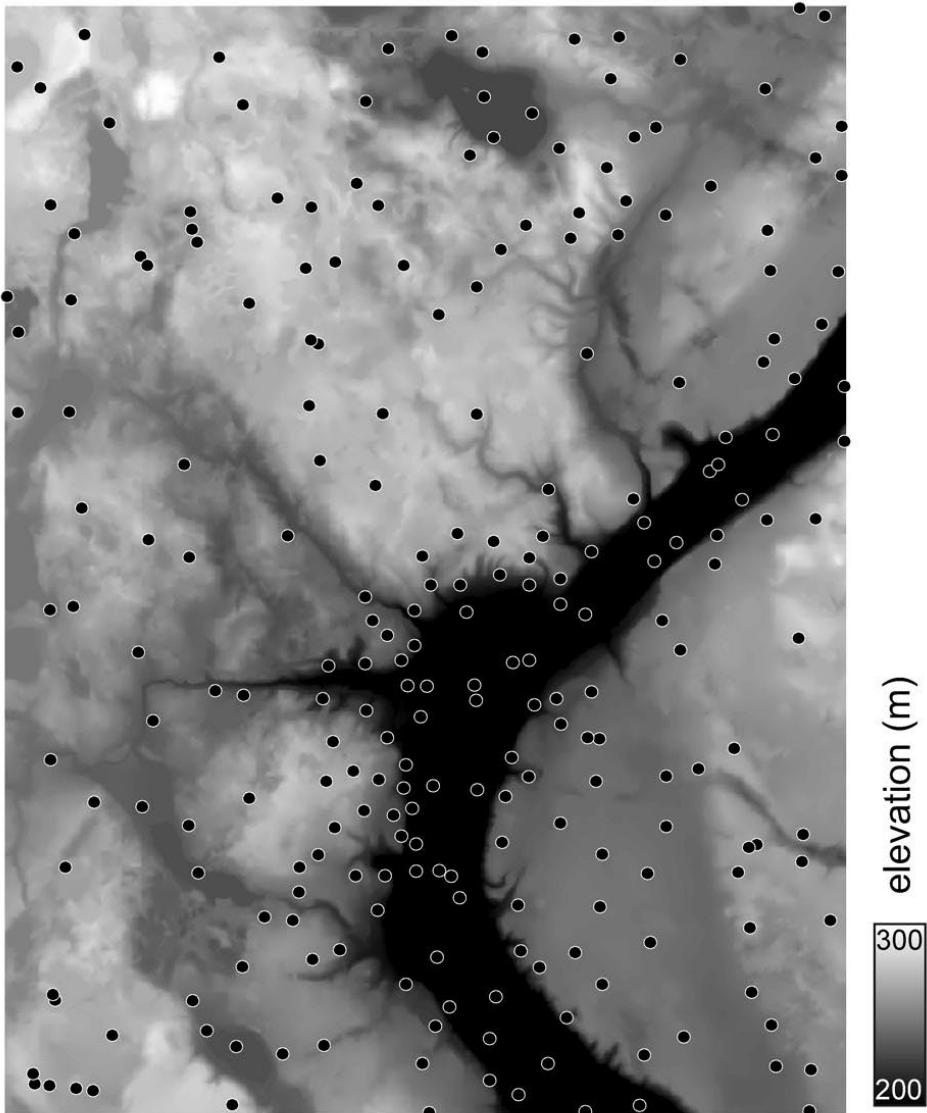


Interpolation Inverse Distance Weighting

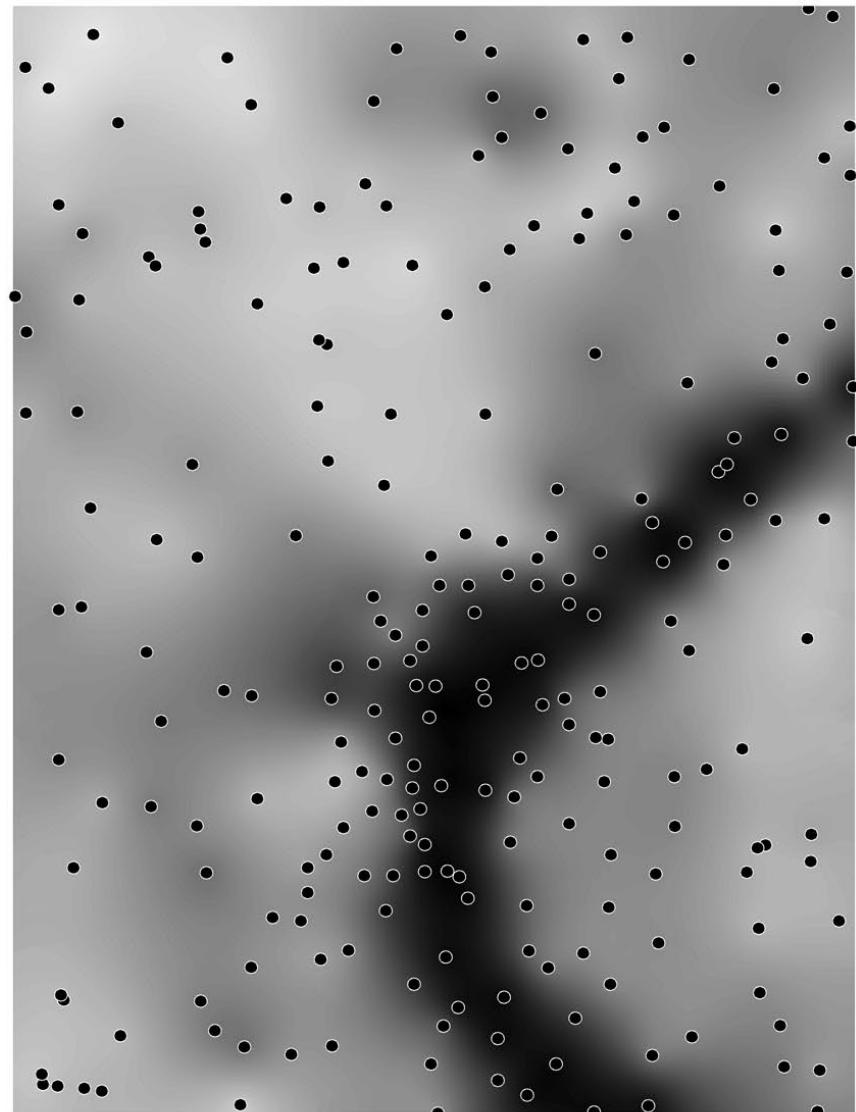


Kriging

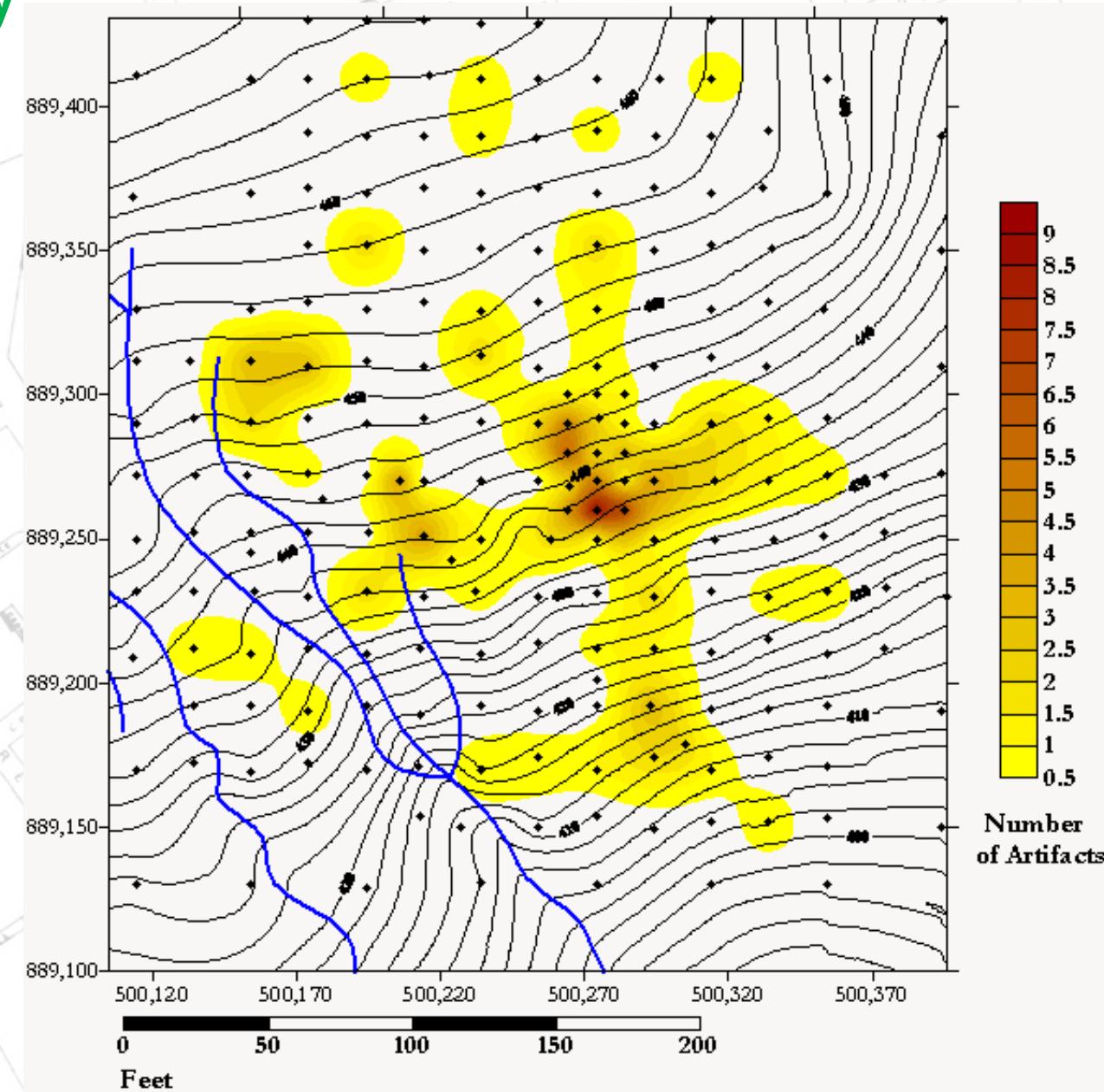
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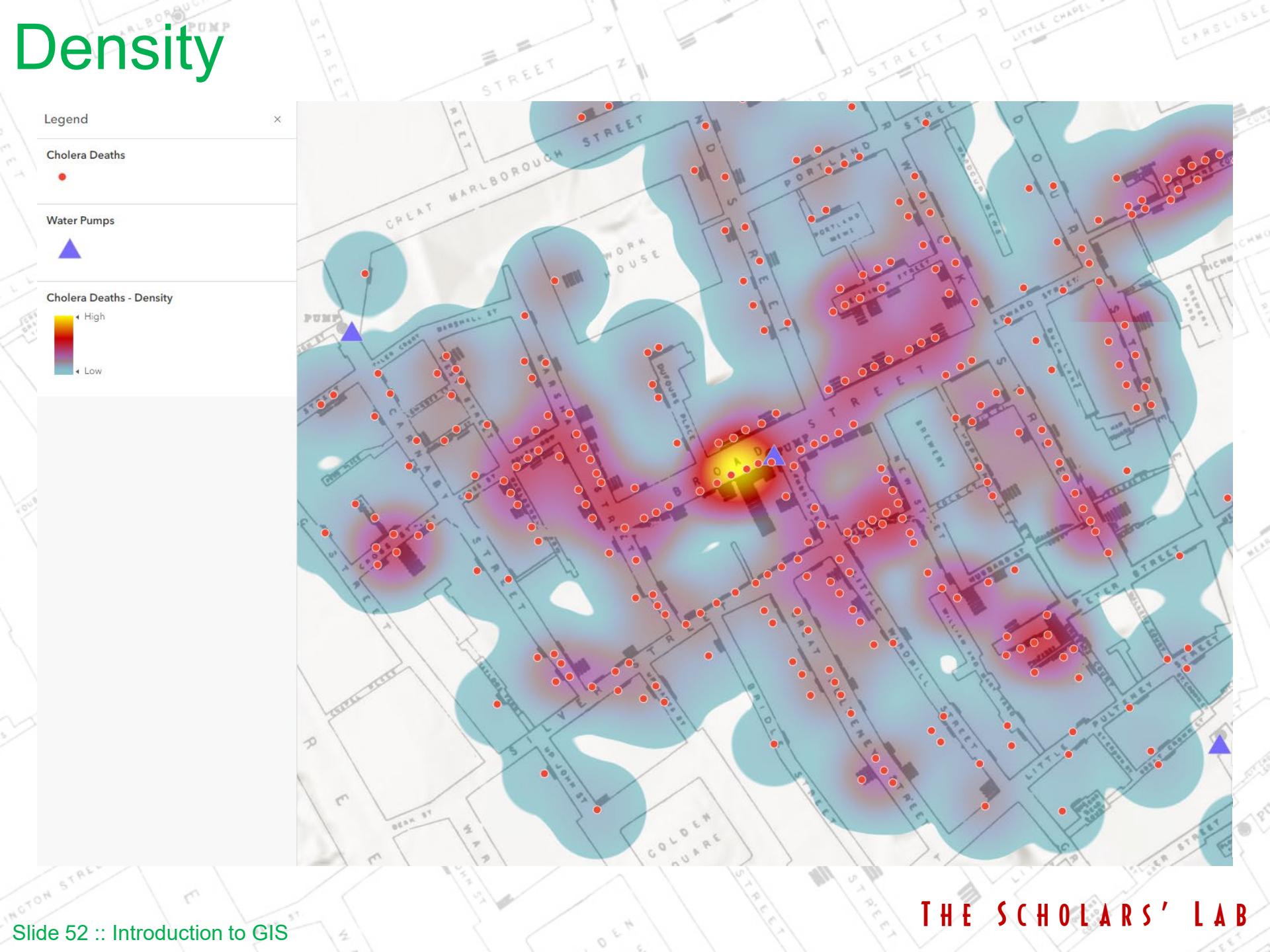
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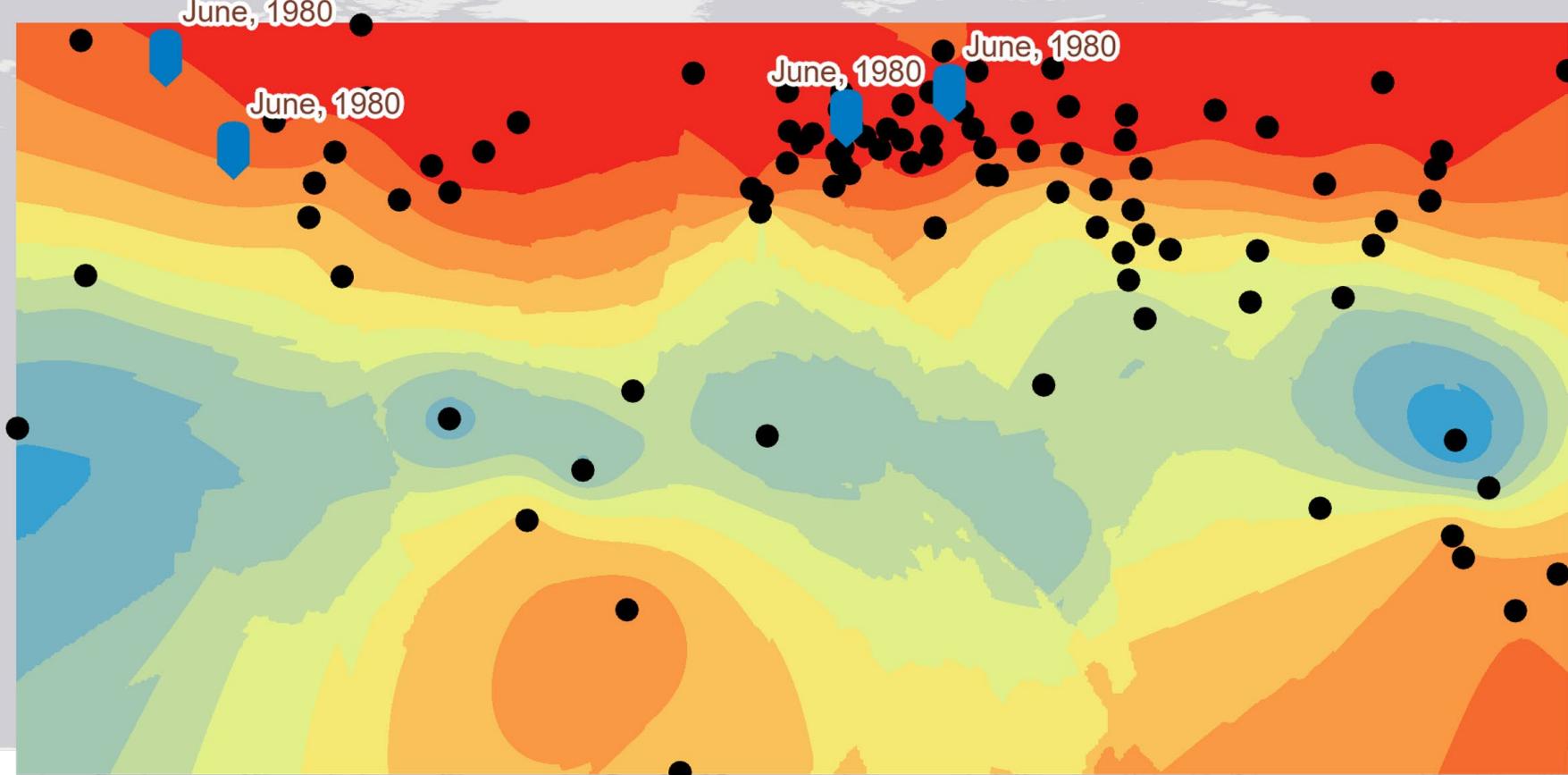
Density



Density



Spatial Analysis – Kriging and Extract



Which Charlottesville Neighborhood contains the highest total population?



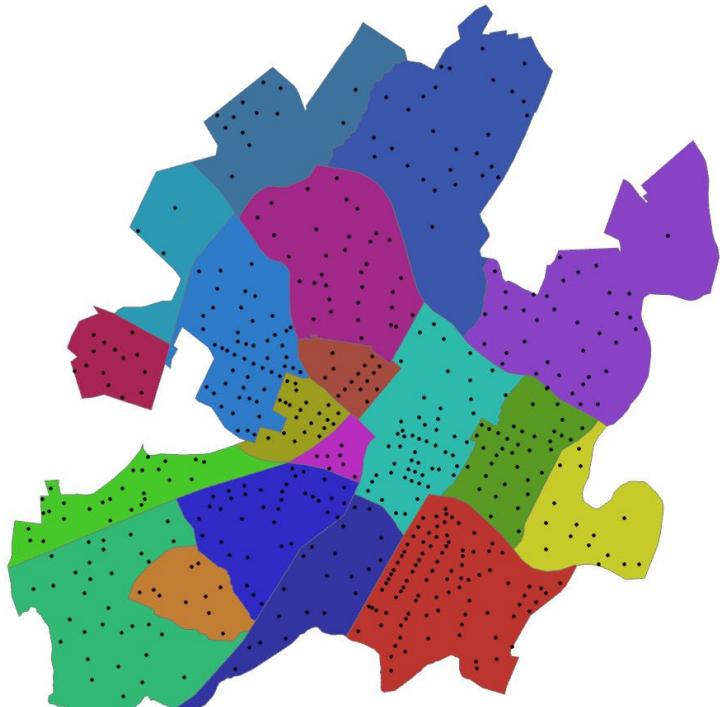
Neighborhood Attributes

FID *	NAME
1	Barracks Road
2	Lewis Mountain
3	North Downtown
4	Johnson Village
5	Fry's Spring
6	10th & Page
7	Jefferson Park Avenue
8	Starr Hill
9	Fifeville
10	Ridge Street
11	Belmont
12	Woolen Mills
13	Martha Jefferson
14	Locust Grove
15	Venable
16	Rose Hill
17	Barracks / Rugby
18	The Meadows
19	Greenbrier

Block Point Attributes

OBJECTID *	FIPS	POP2010	HOUSEHOLDS	HSE_UNITS
1	515400004012014	64	26	26
2	515400004012013	4	1	1
3	515400004012012	59	27	28
4	515400005025007	14	10	12
5	515400005025005	254	102	116
6	515400005024003	248	110	119
7	515400005025001	101	22	31
8	515400005025006	85	37	40
9	515400005024004	142	55	59
10	515400005025008	105	48	54
11	515400005023011	192	80	90
12	515400005024007	35	15	19
13	515400005021002	780	311	327
14	515400005024001	24	9	10
15	515400005023013	87	43	47
16	515400005024000	126	60	68
17	515400005024006	58	23	23
18	515400005024005	33	16	17
19	515400005023012	25	12	15

Spatial Join



Spatial Join

Parameters Environments

Target Features: CVille Neighborhoods

Join Features: CVilleCensusBlockPoints

Output Feature Class: CVilleNeighborhoods_SpatialJoin

Join Operation: Join one to one

Keep All Target Features

Match Option: Intersect

Search Radius: Meters

Fields

Field Map

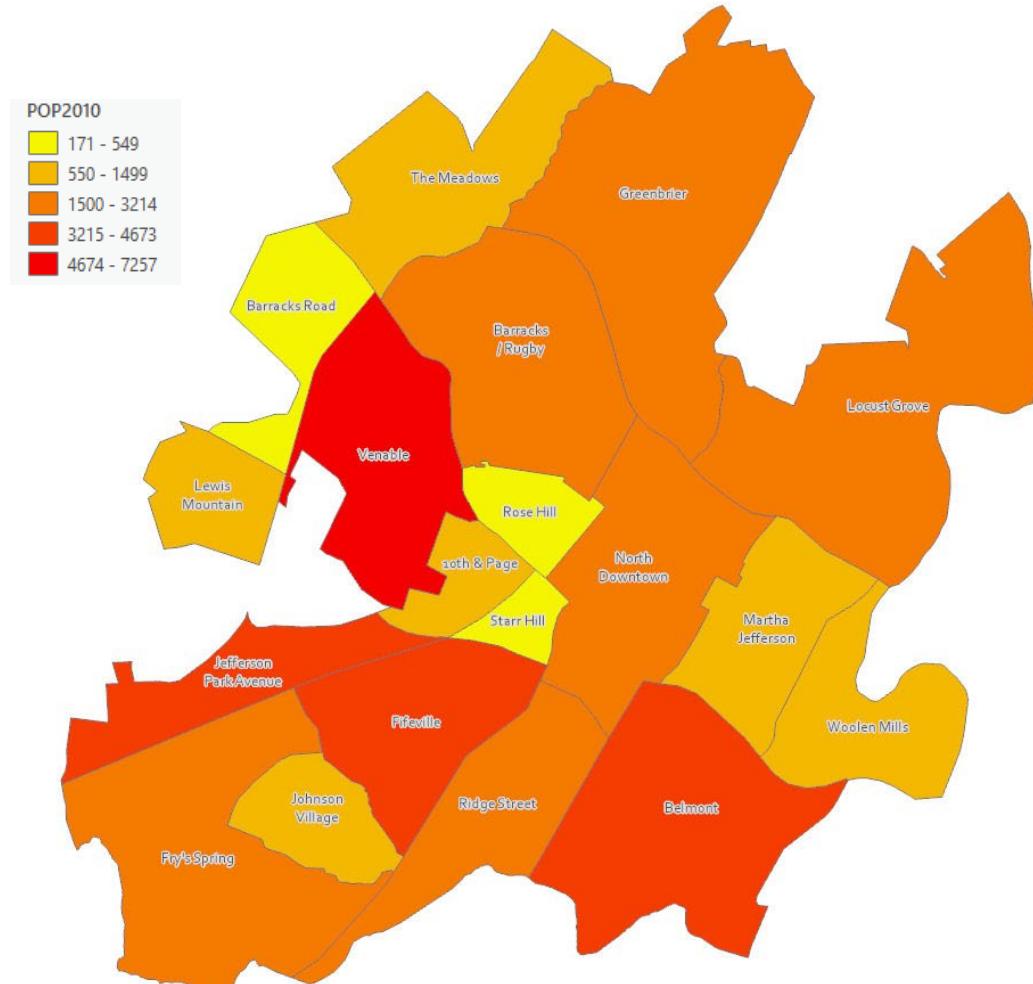
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NAME	Merge Rule Sum	
Shape_Area	CVilleCensusBlockPoint	POP2010
Shape_Length		
FIPS		
POP2010	Add New Source	
HOUSEHOLDS		
HSE_UNITS		



New Neighborhood Layer, with...

Aggregated Census Attributes

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1	1	Polygon	3	1	Barracks Road	515400007003005	549	71	68
2	2	Polygon	14	2	Lewis Mountain	515400007004018	1035	23	13
3	3	Polygon	54	3	North Downtown	515400004011003	2914	27	35
4	4	Polygon	10	4	Johnson Village	515400005021002	1461	59	94
5	5	Polygon	32	5	Fry's Spring	515400005025007	3214	45	38
6	6	Polygon	21	6	10th & Page	515400002021026	1190	22	24
7	7	Polygon	27	7	Jefferson Park Avenue	515400006002015	4349	57	64
8	8	Polygon	7	8	Starr Hill	515400010001050	171	12	10
9	9	Polygon	37	9	Fifeville	515400005013004	3595	40	46
10	10	Polygon	20	10	Ridge Street	515400004012014	1928	41	51
11	11	Polygon	94	11	Belmont	515400004024010	4673	24	32
12	12	Polygon	15	12	Woolen Mills	515400003022019	1154	33	39
13	13	Polygon	37	13	Martha Jefferson	515400003021040	1409	18	20
14	14	Polygon	37	14	Locust Grove	515400009001001	2265	28	29
15	15	Polygon	51	15	Venable	515400002022010	7257	47	74
16	16	Polygon	15	16	Rose Hill	515400010002039	474	14	14
17	17	Polygon	34	17	Barracks / Rugby	515400007002010	2193	27	26
18	18	Polygon	13	18	The Meadows	515400008004018	1499	44	56
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Other Direction – Join Points to Polygons

Before

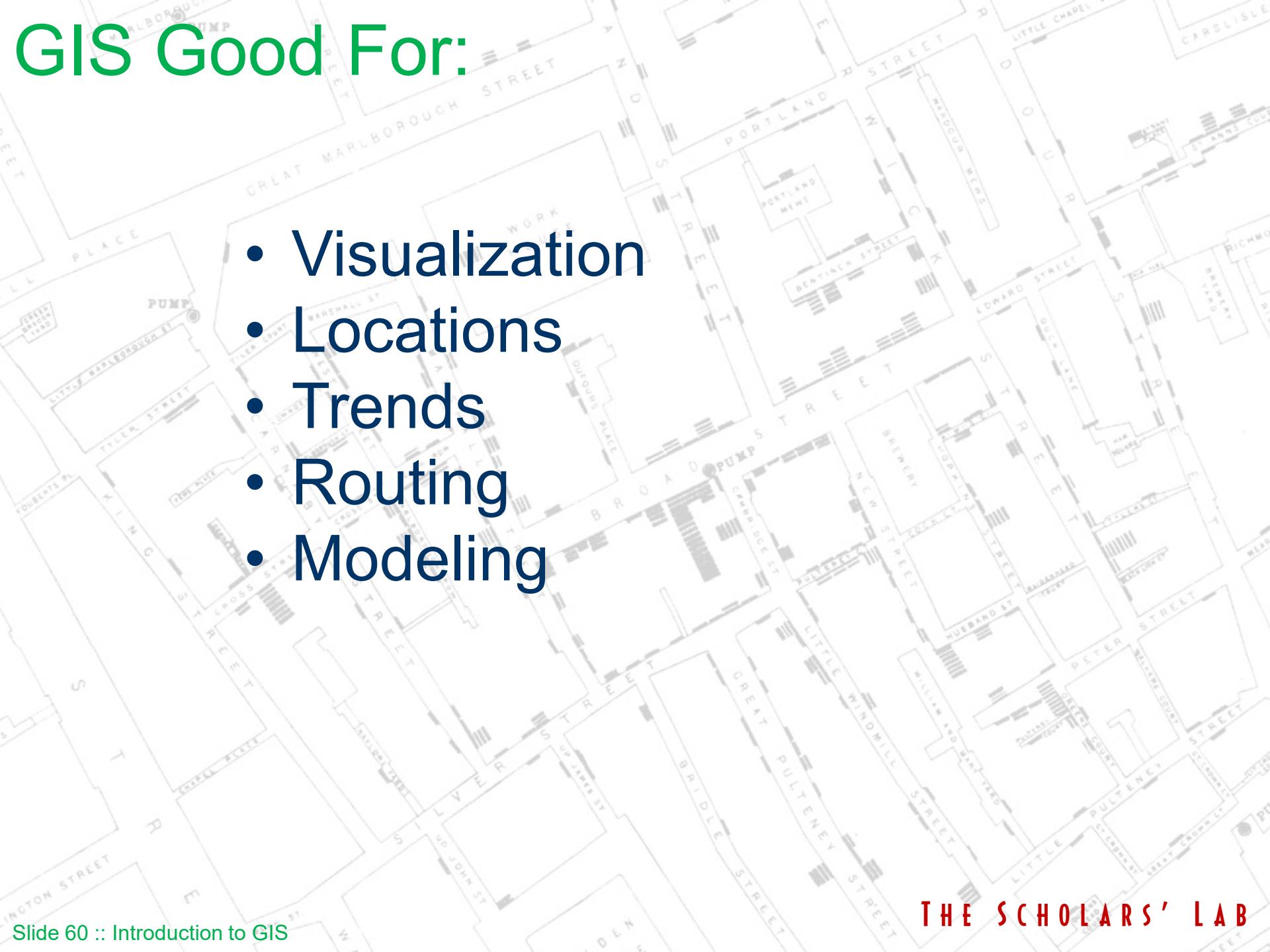
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After

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4	4	Point	1	515400005025007	14	10	12	Fry's Spring
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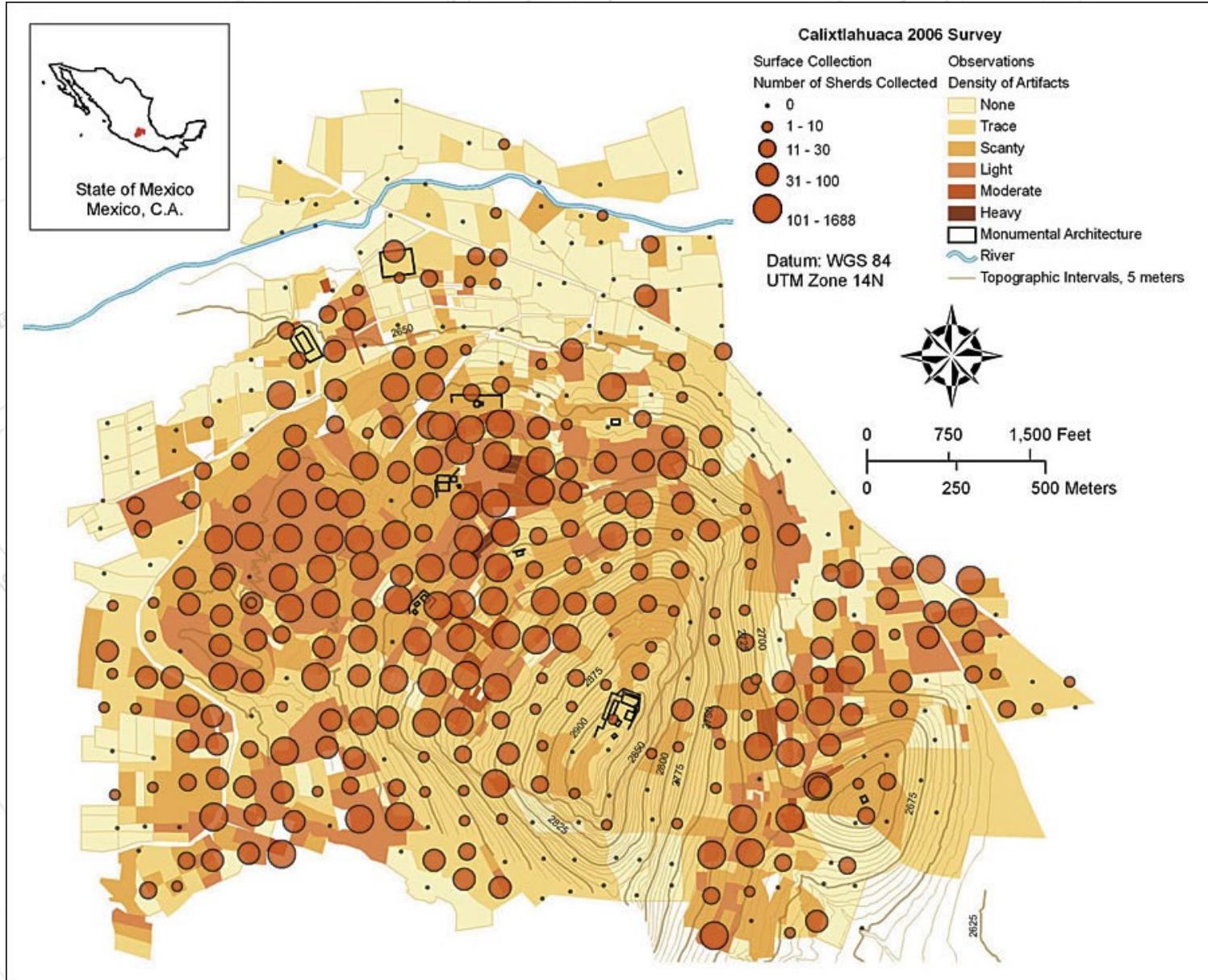
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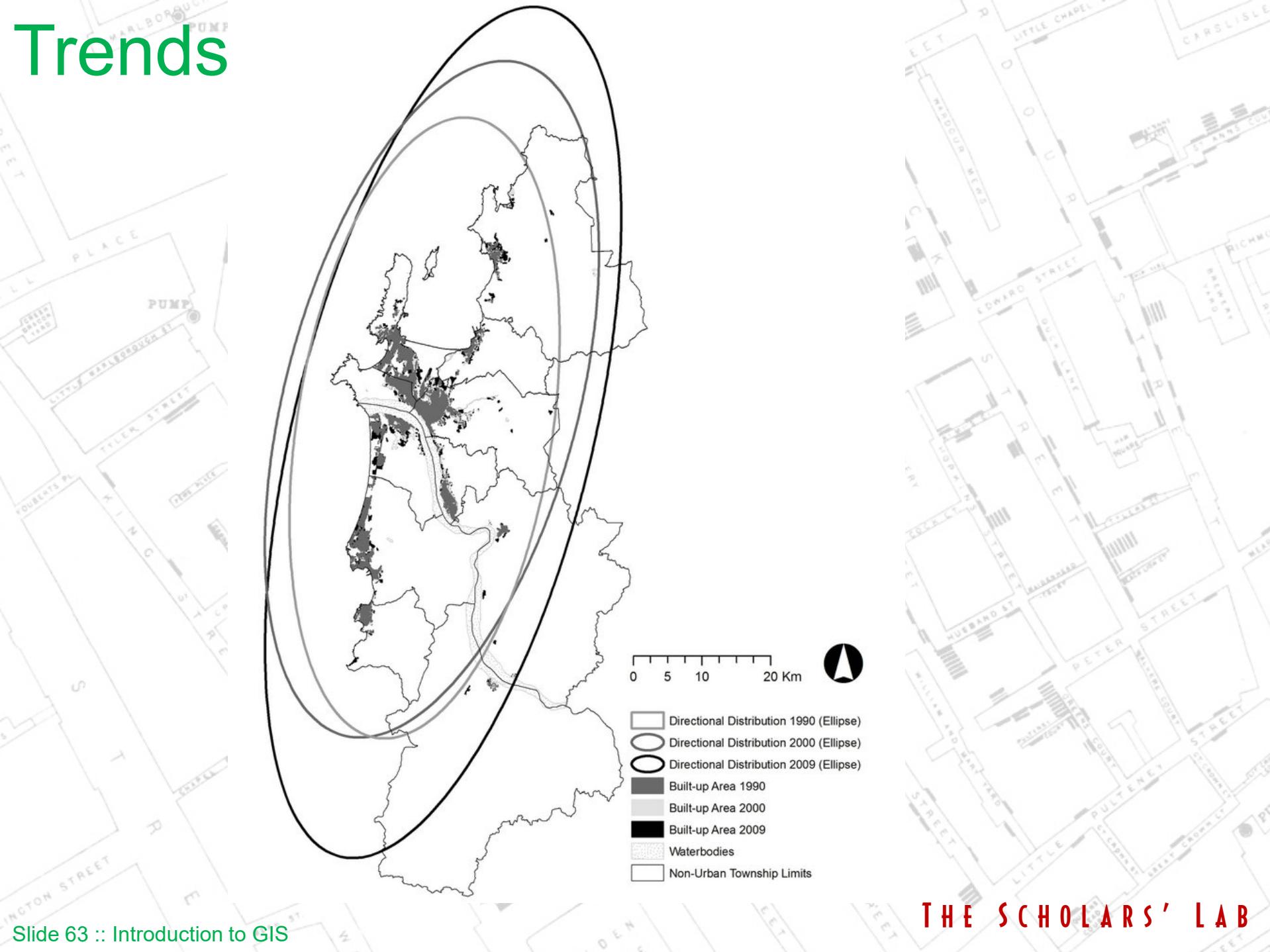
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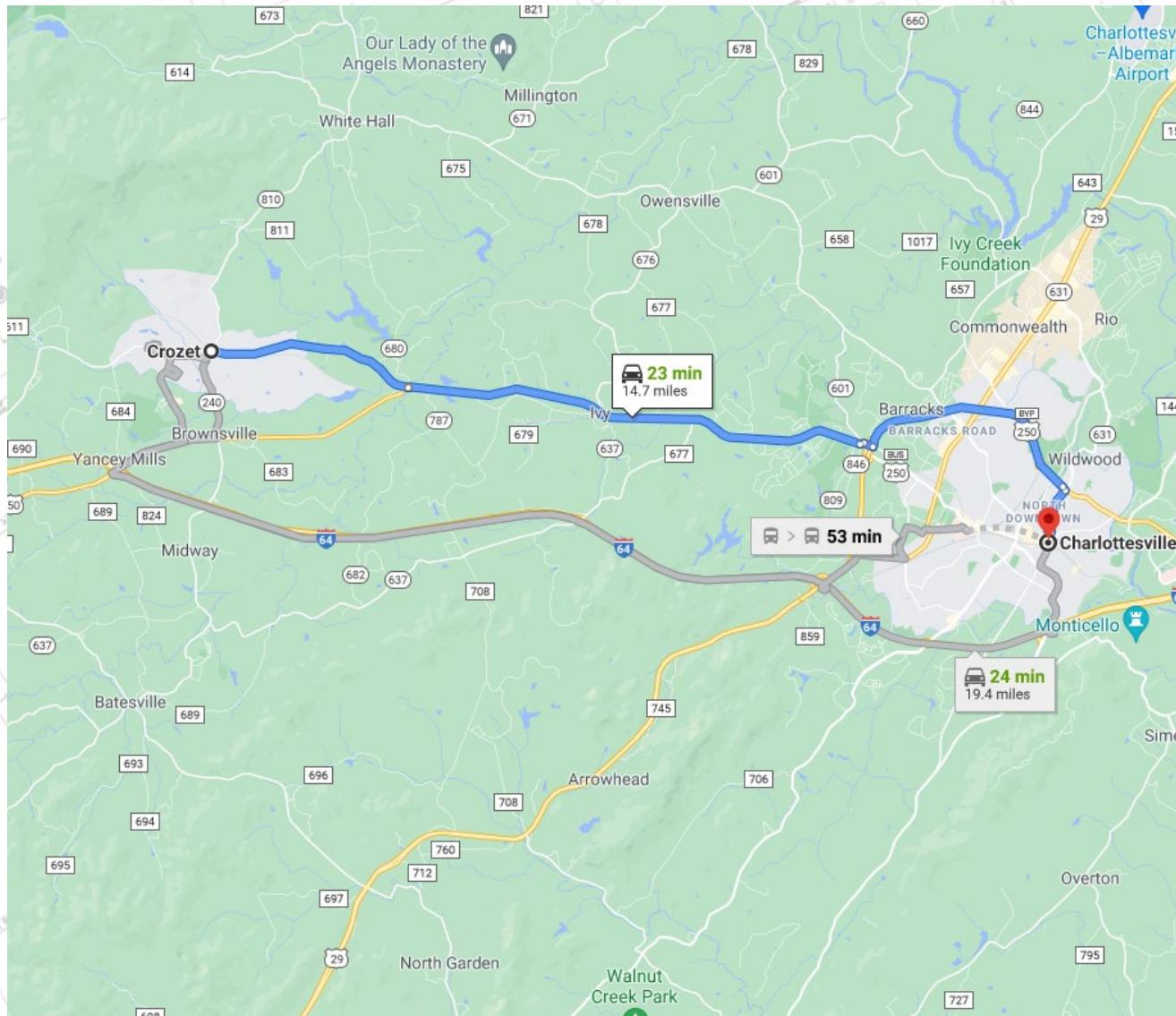
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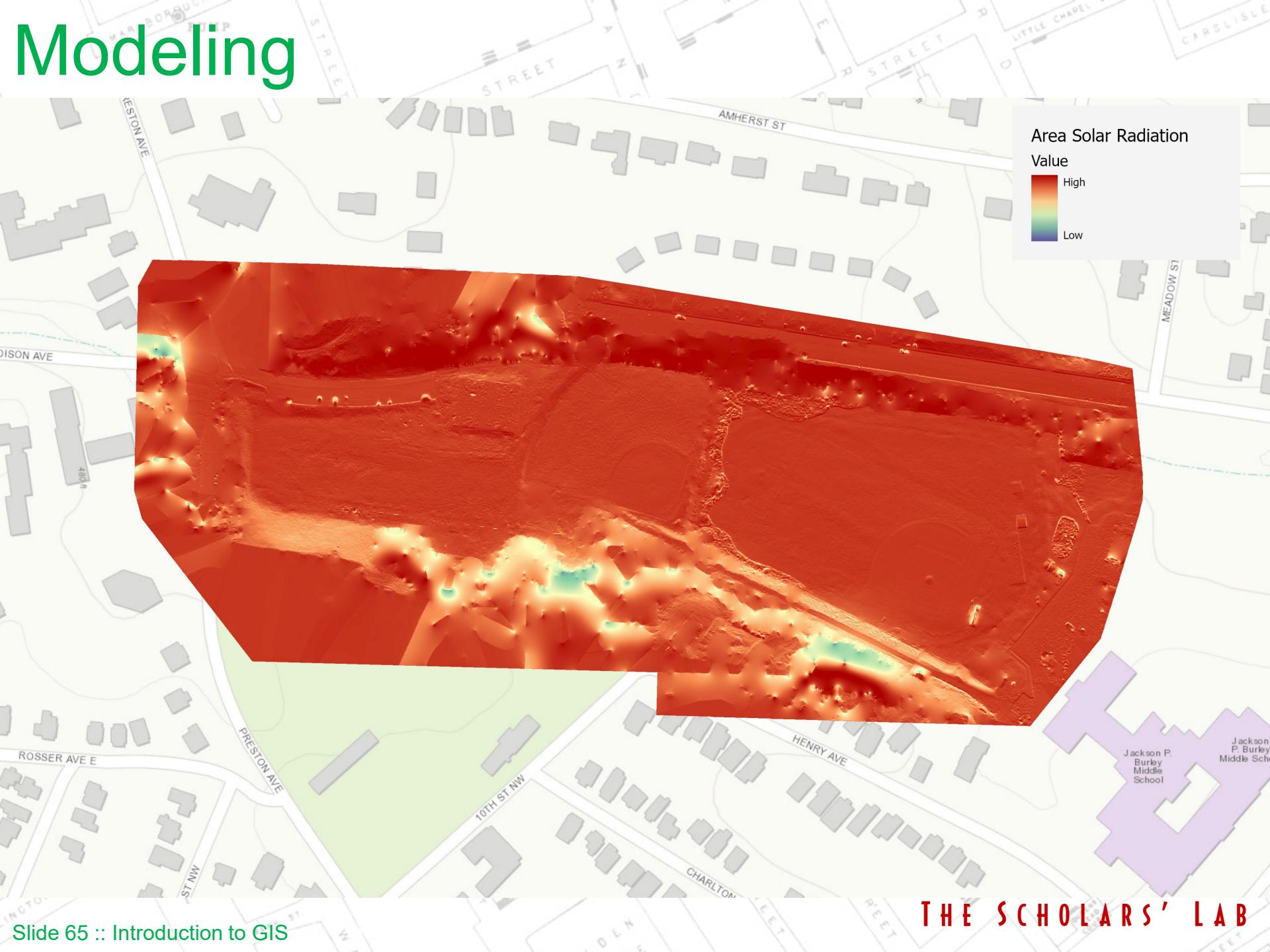
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Routing



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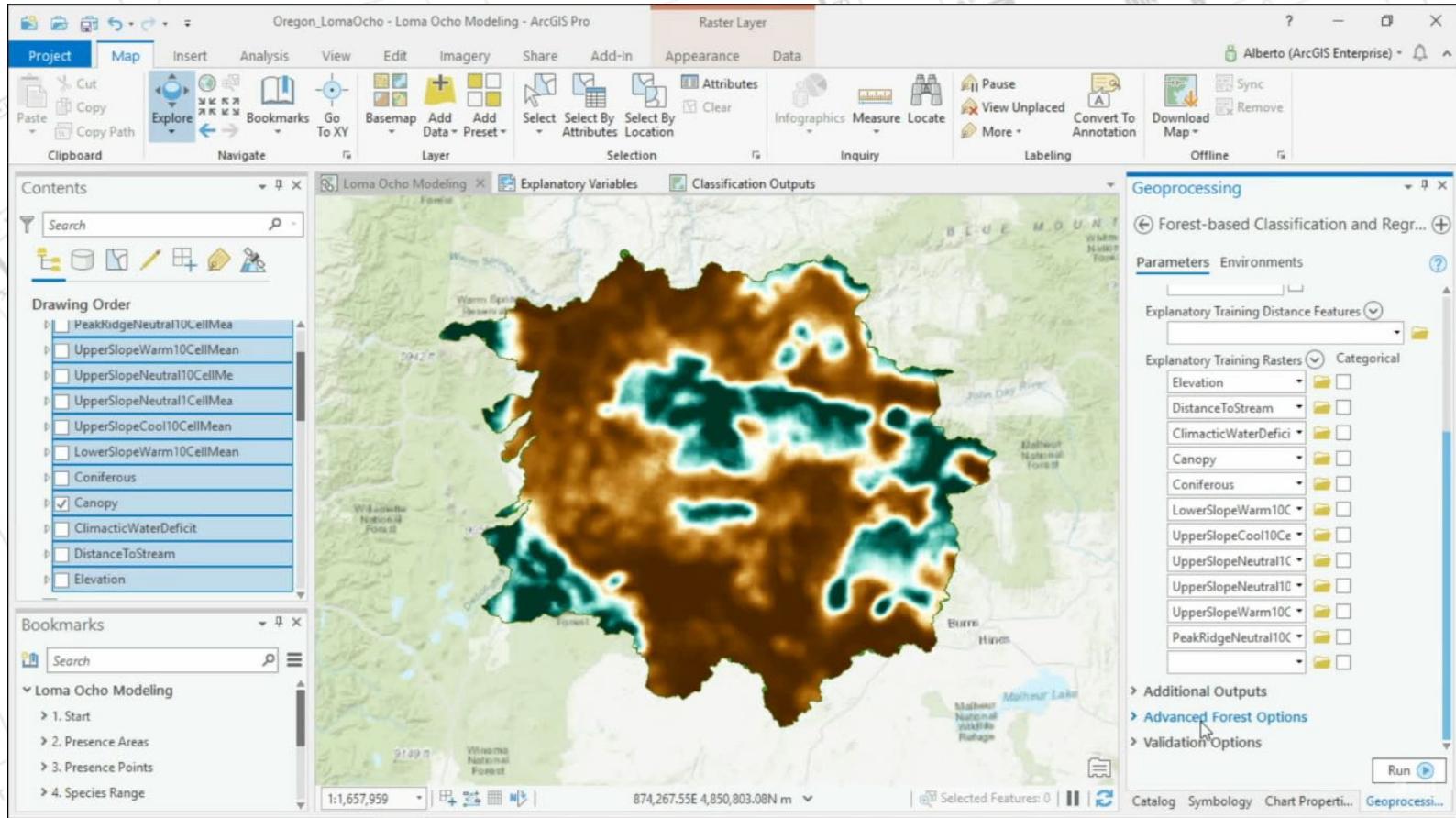


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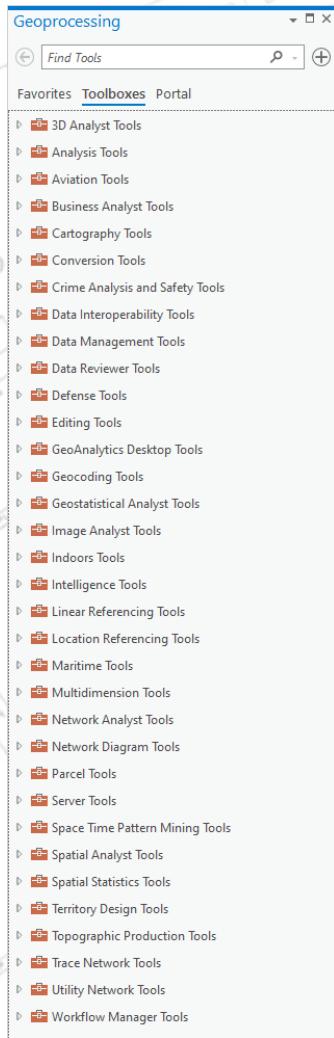
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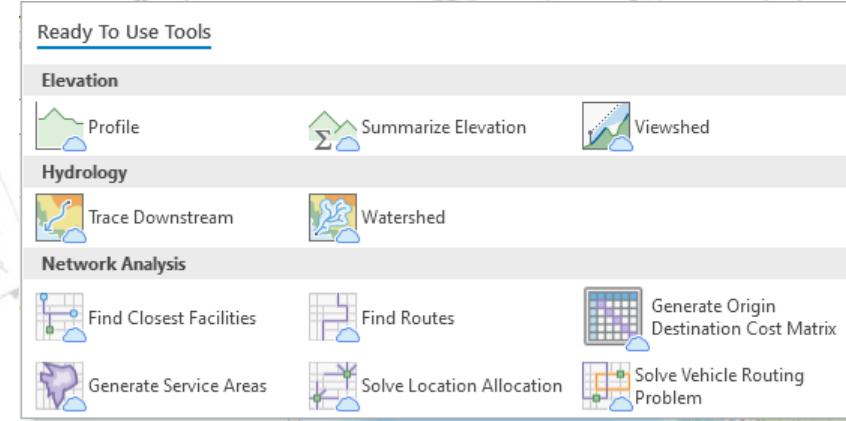


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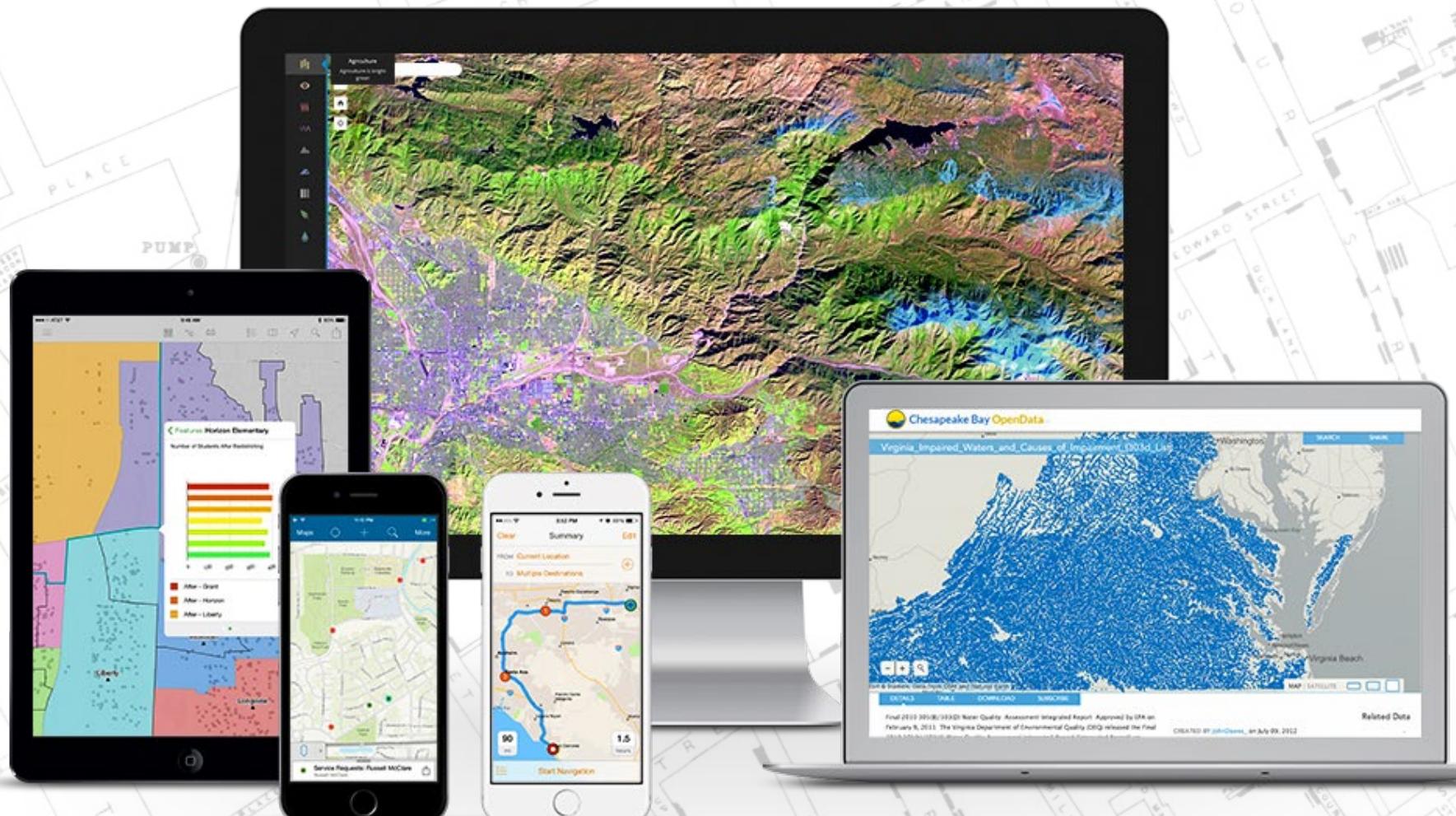
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