Dense, Intense and Complex Data Workshop

Big Geographic Data and GISciences

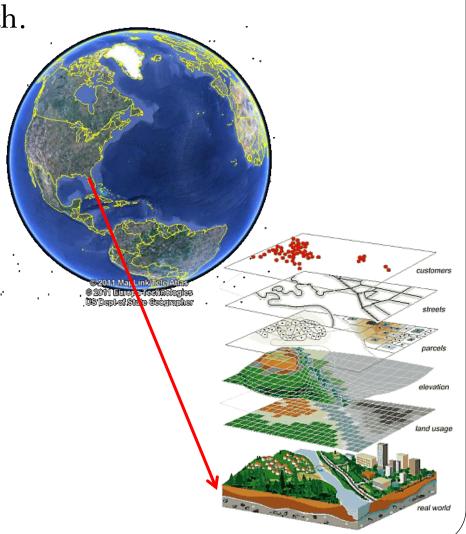
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Why Geographic data is big?

• Geographic data is any data that contain information about geographic locations on the Earth.

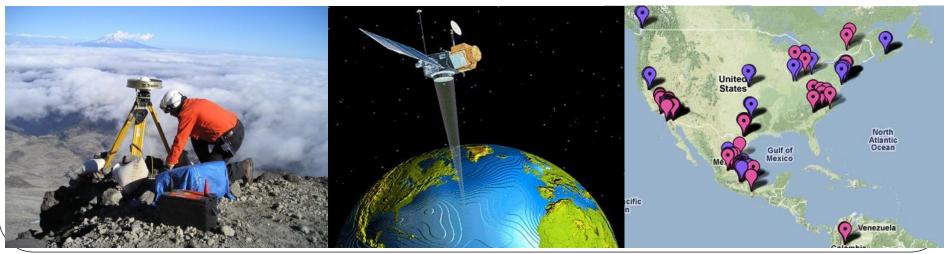
- Earth is BIG;
- Every location carries a MULTITUDE of information;
- Information at every location is DYNAMIC.



How geographic data are generated?

- Large-scale survey, e.g., Census, Ground survey
- Earth observation system, like satellite images
- Digitization of maps
- Geocoding textual records
- GPS, mobile phones, and Internet

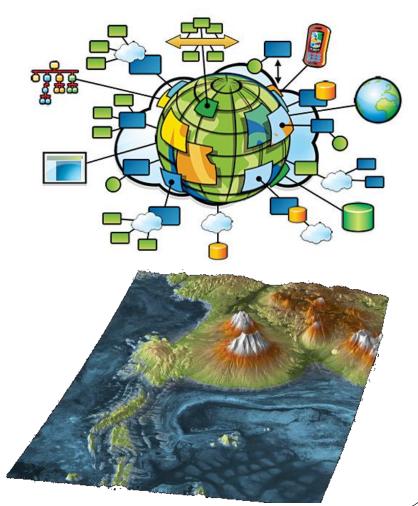




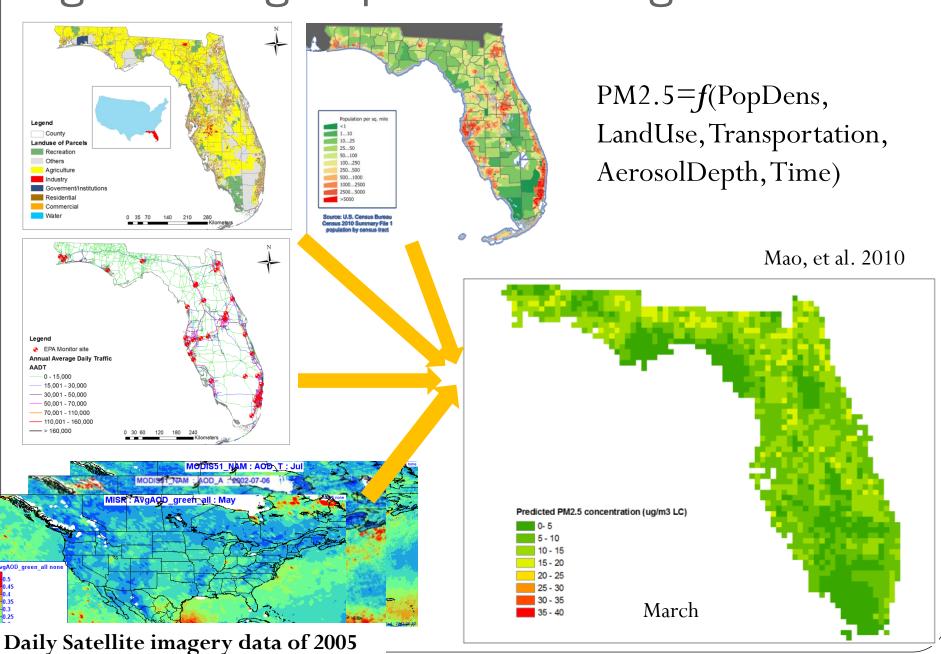
GISciences

• A set of academic disciplines that deal with geographical data, such as data acquisition, storage, analysis, management, and visualization.



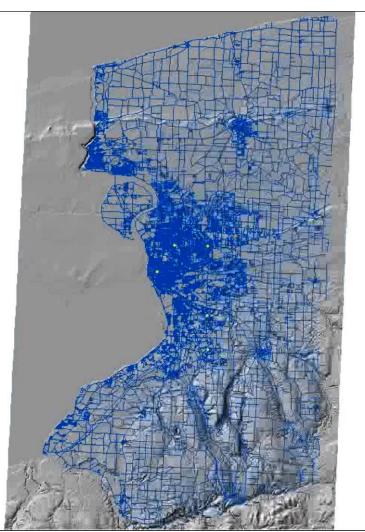


Big data for geospatial modeling



Big data for geospatial simulation

Massive agentbased simulation
of human contact
network and
influenza
transmission in an
urbanized area of
1 million people.



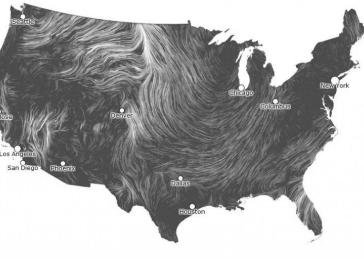
- ❖Households: 400,870
- *Businesses: 36,839 (offices, factories, schools, service places, health facilities, etc.)
- *25,029 recorded trips

Geo-visualization of Big Data

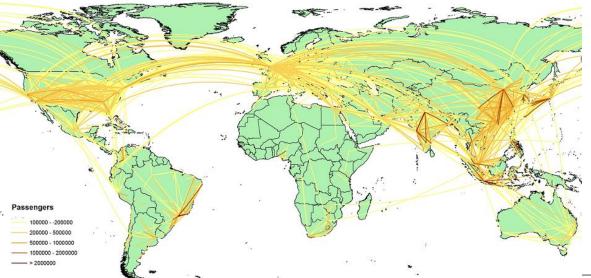
3D visualization of human activities(Mei-Po Kwan and Jiyeong Lee).

June 6, 2012 10:00 am EDT (time of forecast download)

top speed: 29.1 mph average: 7.0 mph $Dynamic\ wind\ map\ (from\ Hint.\ FM)$



Worldwide Air Traffic . Huang et al. (2013)



Future Challenges

- Finer spatial-temporal resolution
- Differences in quality, standard, format, and semantics in data sharing
- Individual privacy issue in medical records, mobile phone data.
- Lack of integrative data search engine

Thank You!