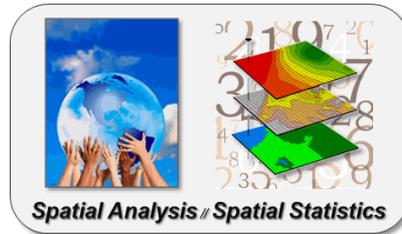


SpatialSTEM:

A Mathematical/Statistical Framework for Understanding and Communicating Map Analysis and Modeling



Premise: There is a “map-ematics” that extends traditional math/stat concepts and procedures for the quantitative analysis of map variables (spatial data)

This presentation provides a fresh perspective on interdisciplinary instruction at the college level by combining the philosophy and approach of *STEM* with the spatial reasoning and analytical power of grid-based Map Analysis and Modeling

This PowerPoint with notes and online links to further reading is posted at

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(Nanotechnology)

Geotechnology

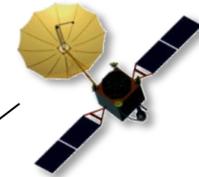
(Biotechnology)

Geotechnology is one of the three "mega technologies" for the 21st century and promises to forever change how we conceptualize, utilize and visualize spatial relationships in scientific research and commercial applications (U.S. Department of Labor)

Geographic Information Systems (map and analyze)



Remote Sensing
(measure and classify)



Global Positioning System (location and navigation)



GPS/GIS/RS

The Spatial Triad

Computer Mapping (70s)
Spatial Database Management (80s)

Technological Tool

Mapping
involves precise placement (delineation) of physical features (graphical inventory)



Where

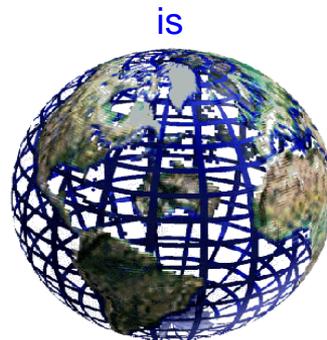
Descriptive Mapping

Why

So What

and

What If



is

What

Prescriptive Modeling



Map Analysis (90s)
Multimedia Mapping (00s)

Analytical Tool

Modeling involves analysis of spatial patterns and relationships (map analysis/modeling)

A Mathematical Structure for Map Analysis/Modeling

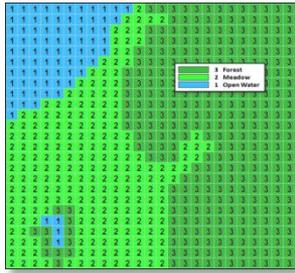
Technological Tool

Geotechnology → RS — **GIS** — GPS

Analytical Tool

Mapping/Geo-Query (*Discrete, Spatial Objects*) (*Continuous, Map Surfaces*)

Map Analysis/Modeling



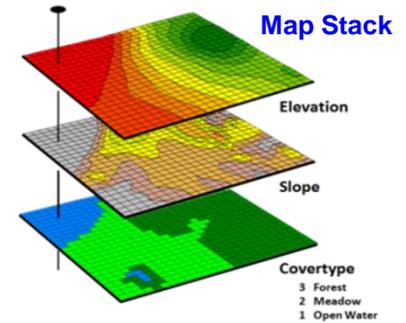
...organized set of numbers

Geo-registered
Analysis Frame → **Matrix**
of Numbers

“Map-ematics”

Maps as Data, not Pictures

Vector & *Raster* — Aggregated & *Disaggregated*
Qualitative & *Quantitative*



Spatial Analysis Operations

Grid-based
Map Analysis
Toolbox

Spatial Statistics Operations

GISer’s Perspective:

Reclassify and Overlay
Distance and Neighbors

GISer’s Perspective:

Surface Modeling
Spatial Data Mining

Mathematician’s Perspective:

Basic GridMath & Map Algebra
Advanced GridMath
Map Calculus
Map Geometry
Plane Geometry Connectivity
Solid Geometry Connectivity
Unique Map Analytics



The SpatialSTEM Framework

Traditional math/stat procedures can be extended into geographic space to stimulate those with diverse backgrounds and interests for...

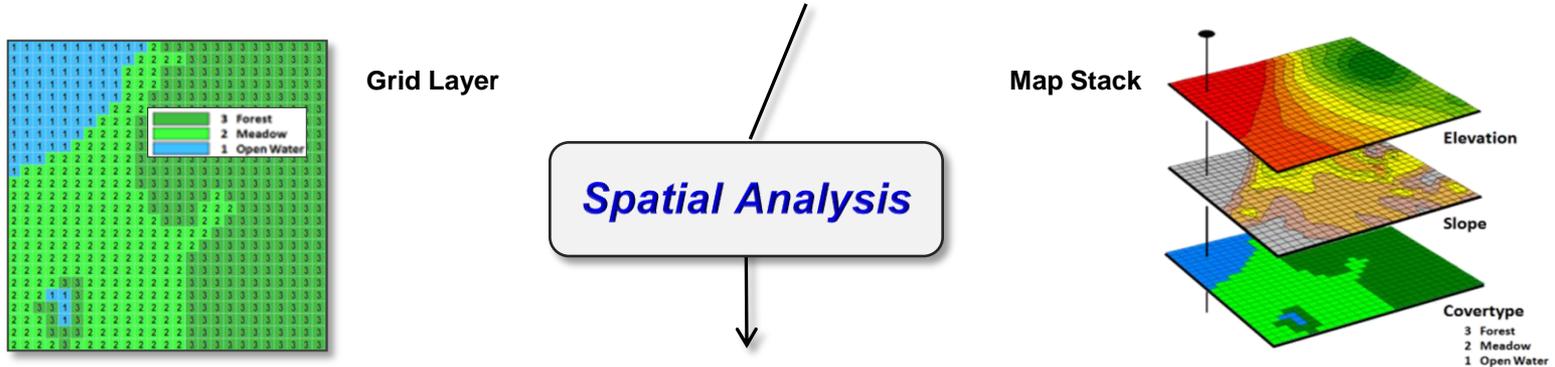
“*thinking analytically with maps*”

Statistician’s Perspective:

Basic Descriptive Statistics
Basic Classification
Map Comparison
Unique Map Statistics
Surface Modeling
Advanced Classification
Predictive Statistics

Spatial Analysis Operations (Geographic Context)

GIS as “Technical Tool” (*Where is What*) vs. “**Analytical Tool**” (*Why, So What and What if*)



Spatial Analysis extends the basic set of discrete map features (points, lines and polygons) to map **surfaces** that represent continuous geographic space as a set of contiguous grid cells (matrix), thereby providing a **Mathematical Framework** for *map analysis* and *modeling* of the

Contextual Spatial Relationships within and among grid map layers

Map Analysis Toolbox



✓ Unique spatial operations

Mathematical Perspective:

Basic GridMath & Map Algebra (+ - * /)

Advanced GridMath (Math, Trig, Logical Functions)

Map Calculus (Spatial Derivative, Spatial Integral)

Map Geometry (Euclidian Proximity, Effective Proximity, Narrowness)

Plane Geometry Connectivity (Optimal Path, Optimal Path Density)

Solid Geometry Connectivity (Viewshed, Visual Exposure)

✓ **Unique Map Analytics** (Contiguity, Size/Shape/Integrity, Masking, Profile)

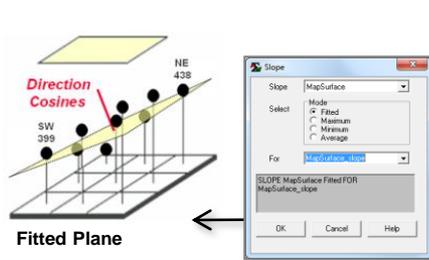
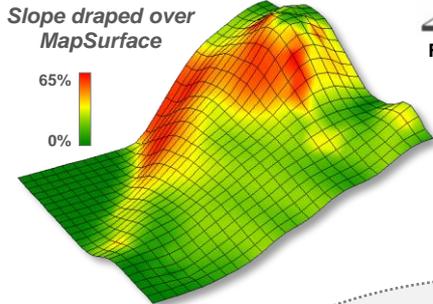
Spatial Analysis Operations (Math Examples)



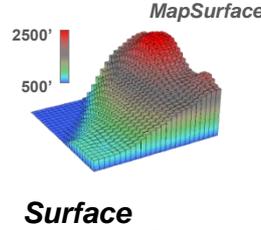
Advanced Grid Math — Math, Trig, Logical Functions
Map Calculus — Spatial Derivative, Spatial Integral

Spatial Derivative

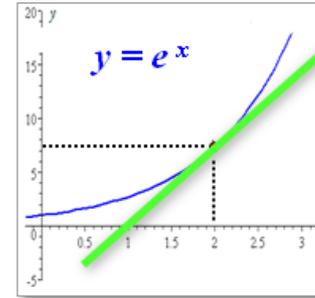
...is equivalent to the slope of the **tangent plane** at a location



SLOPE MapSurface Fitted FOR MapSurface_slope



Surface

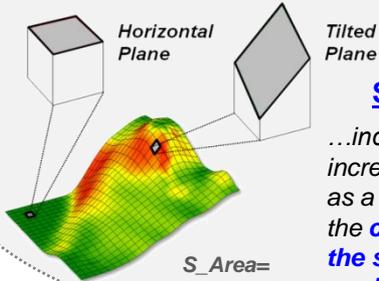


Curve

The **derivative** is the instantaneous "rate of change" of a function and is equivalent to the slope of the **tangent line** at a point

D_{zxy} Elevation

Advanced Grid Math



Surface Area

...increases with increasing inclination as a Trig function of the cosine of the slope angle

$$S_Area = Fn(Slope)$$

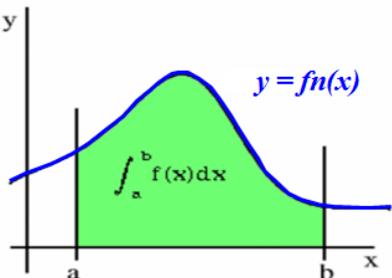
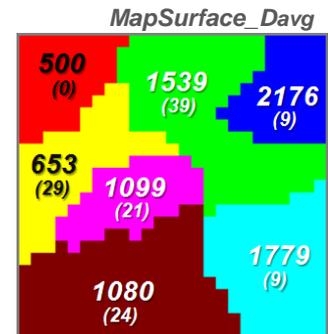
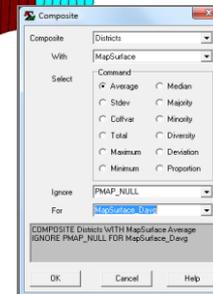
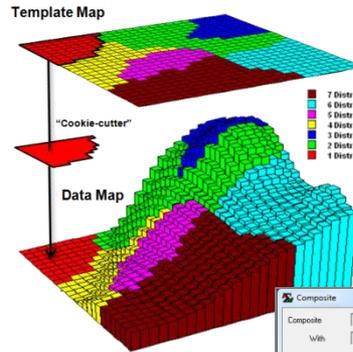
$S_area = cellsize / \cos(D_{zxy} \text{ Elevation})$

\int Districts_Average Elevation

Spatial Integral

...summarizes the values on a surface for specified map areas (Total= **volume** under the surface)

COMPOSITE Districts WITH MapSurface Average FOR MapSurface_Davg



The **integral** calculates the **area** under the curve for any section of a function.

Surface
Curve

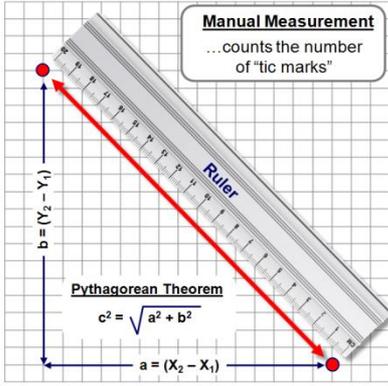
Spatial Analysis Operations *(Distance Examples)*

Map Geometry — (Euclidian Proximity, Effective Proximity, Narrowness)

Plane Geometry Connectivity — (Optimal Path, Optimal Path Density)

Solid Geometry Connectivity — (Viewshed, Visual Exposure)

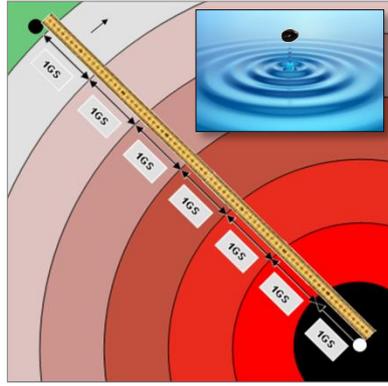
Distance



Mathematical Measurement
...solves the Pythagorean Theorem

Shortest straight line between two points...

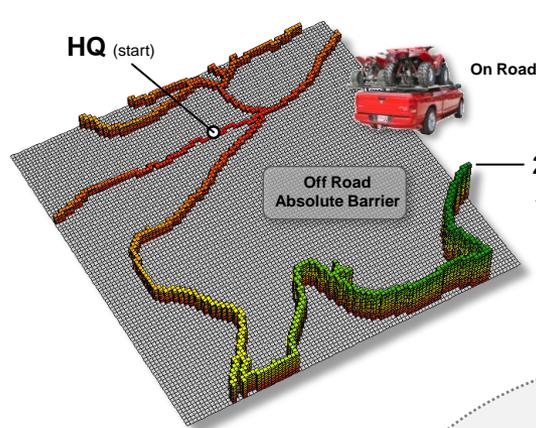
Euclidean Proximity



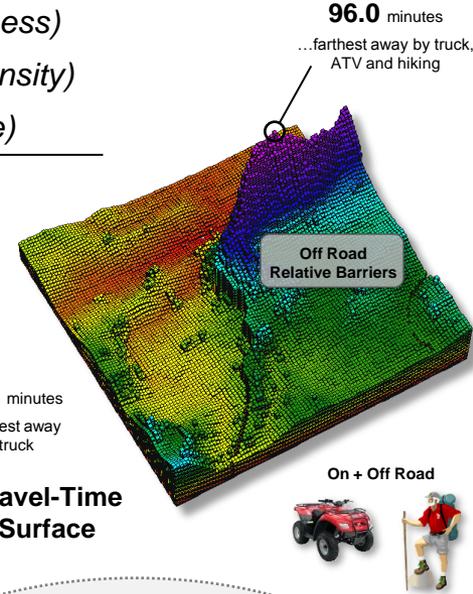
Splash Algorithm
...like tossing a rock into a pond—ripples

...from a point to everywhere...

Effective Proximity

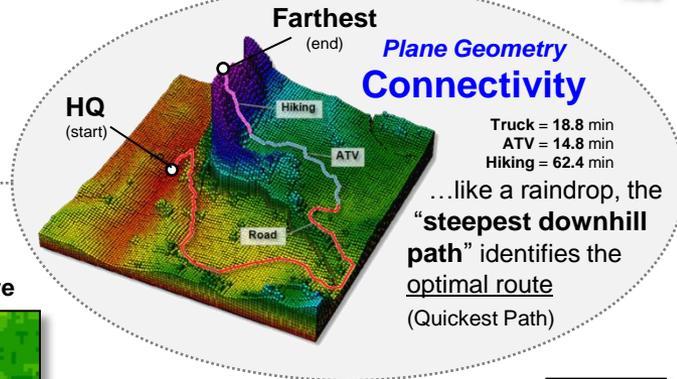


...not necessarily straight lines (movement)

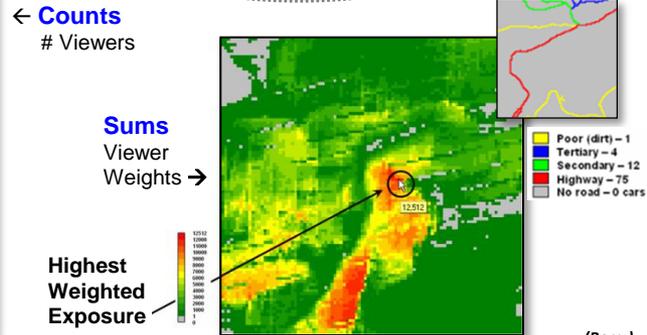
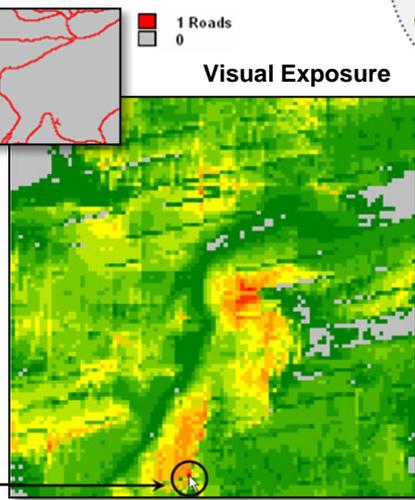
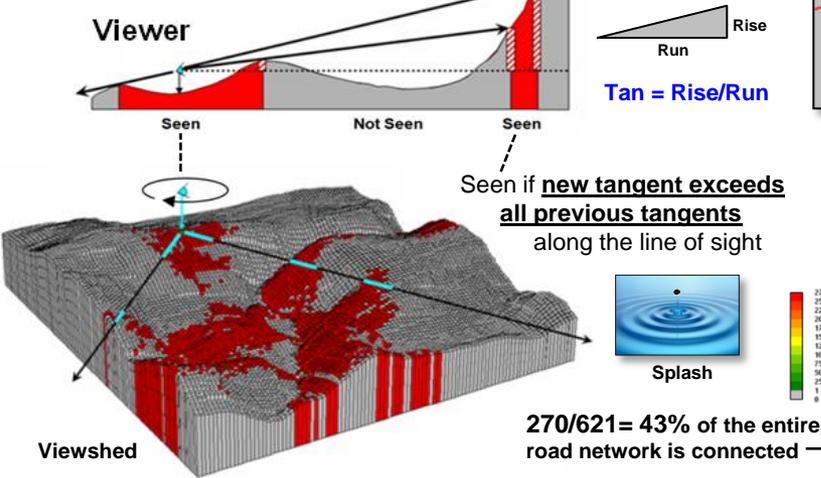


26.5 minutes
...farthest away by truck

Travel-Time Surface

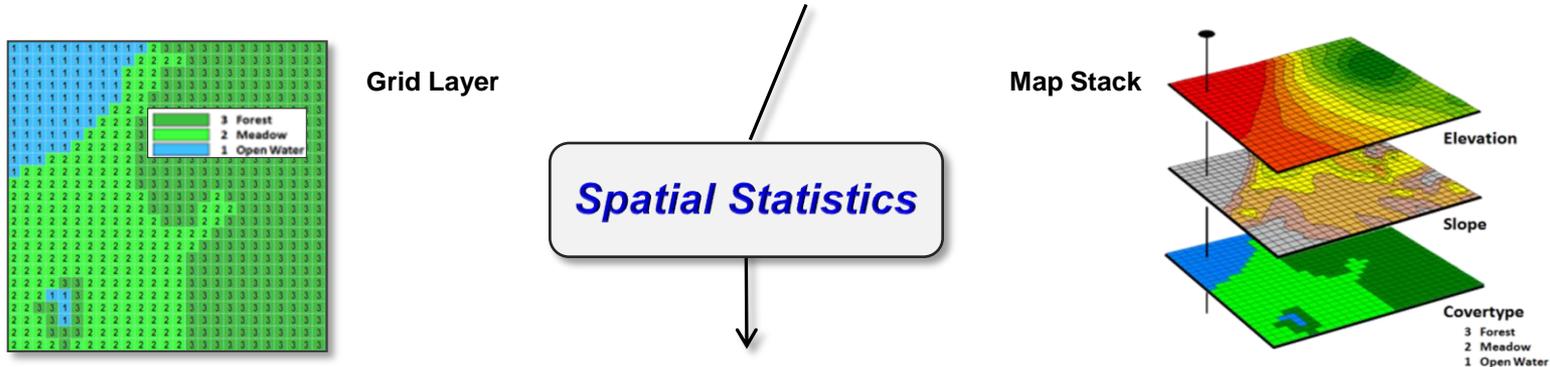


Solid Geometry Connectivity



Spatial Statistics Operations (Numeric Context)

GIS as “Technical Tool” (*Where is What*) vs. “**Analytical Tool**” (*Why, So What and What if*)



Spatial Statistics seeks to map the variation in a data set instead of focusing on a single typical response (central tendency), thereby providing a **Statistical Framework** for *map analysis* and *modeling* of the

Numerical Spatial Relationships within and among grid map layers

Statistical Perspective:

Map Analysis Toolbox



✓ Unique spatial operations

Basic Descriptive Statistics (*Min, Max, Median, Mean, StDev, etc.*)

Basic Classification (*Reclassify, Contouring, Normalization*)

Map Comparison (*Joint Coincidence, Statistical Tests*)

✓ **Unique Map Statistics** (*Roving Window and Regional Summaries*)

✓ **Surface Modeling** (*Density Analysis, Spatial Interpolation*)

Advanced Classification (*Map Similarity, Maximum Likelihood, Clustering*)

Predictive Statistics (*Map Correlation/Regression, Data Mining Engines*)

Spatial Statistics *(Linking Data Space with Geographic Space)*

Geo-registered Sample Data

Sample	X	Y	P1	P2
#1	1000	1000	11	4
2	1000	1500	19	9
3	1000	2000	8	0
4	1000	2500	0	0
5	1500	1000	27	25
6	1500	1500	12	2
7	1500	2000	14	4
8	1500	2500	2	0

0	0	33	68
0	4	42	87
9	2	22	43
#1=4	25	6	16
1000	10	6	6
1500	17	22	22
2000	34	42	42
2500	22	33	33
1000	20	16	16
1500	28	43	43
2000	42	87	87
2500	34	68	68

Non-Spatial Statistics

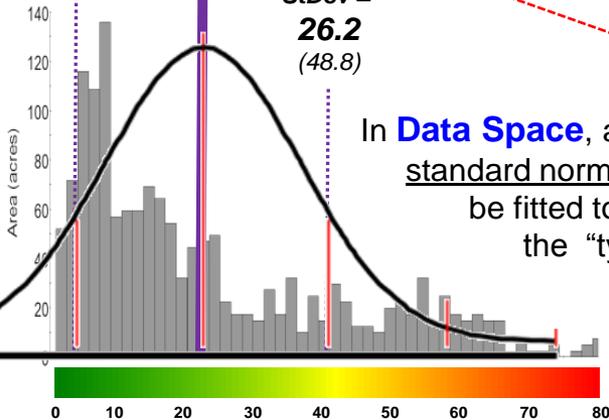
Standard Normal Curve

Average = 22.6

StDev = 26.2 (48.8)

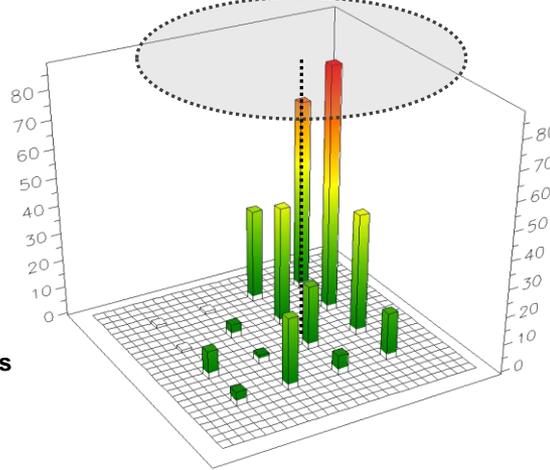
In **Data Space**, a standard normal curve can be fitted to the data to identify the "typical value" (average)

Histogram



Numeric Distribution

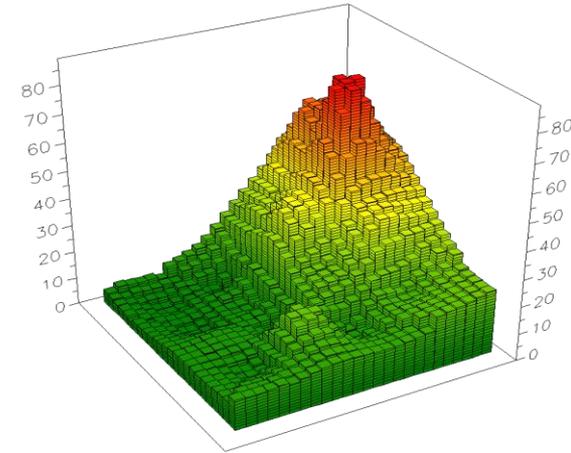
Roving Window (weighted average)



Discrete Sample Map

Spatial Statistics

Spatial Distribution



Continuous Map Surface

Surface Modeling techniques are used to derive a continuous map surface from discrete point data— fits a Surface to the data (maps the variation).

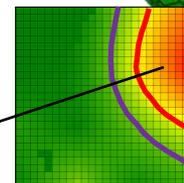
In **Geographic Space**, the typical value forms a horizontal plane implying the average is everywhere to form a horizontal plane

$\bar{x} = 22.6$

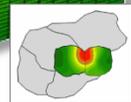
...lots of NE locations exceed Mean + 1Stdev

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} + 1\text{StDev} &= 22.6 + 26.2 \\ &= 48.8 \end{aligned}$$

Unusually high values

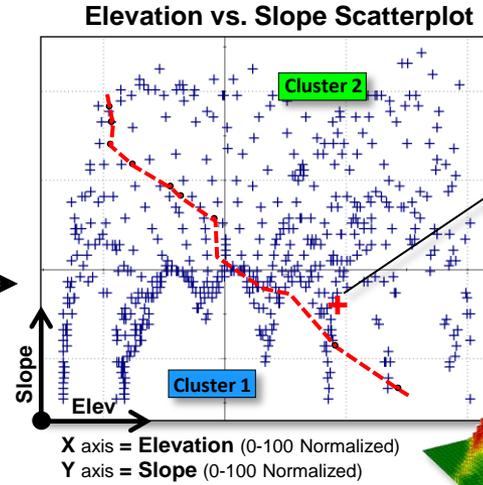
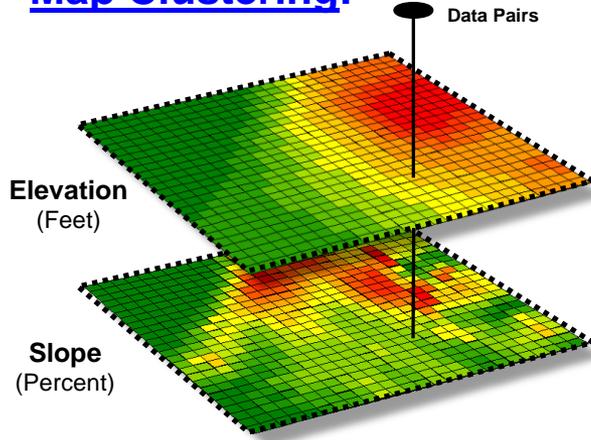


+StDev
Average

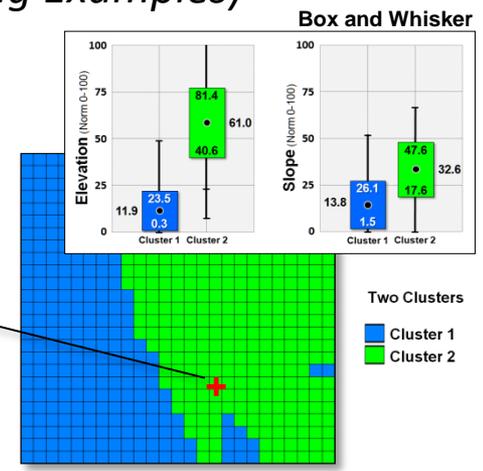


Spatial Statistics Operations *(Data Mining Examples)*

Map Clustering:



Plots here in...
Data Space
Geographic Space

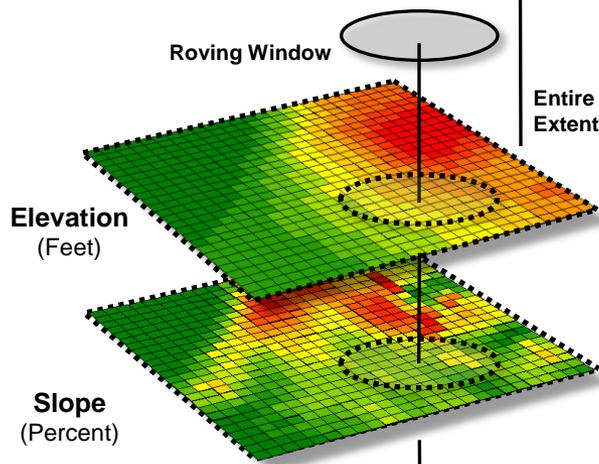


Advanced Classification (Clustering)

Data Space

Geographic Space

Map Correlation:



Spatially Aggregated Correlation

Scalar Value – one value represents the overall non-spatial relationship between the two map surfaces

...1 large data table
with 25 rows x 25 columns =
625 map values for map wide summary

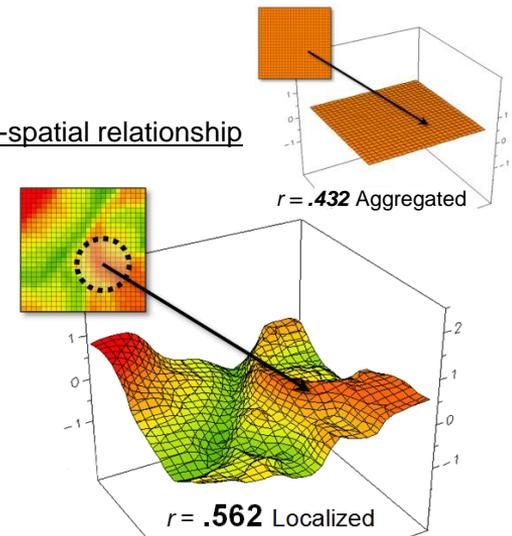
$$r = \frac{n\sum xy - (\sum x)(\sum y)}{\sqrt{([n\sum x^2 - (\sum x)^2][n\sum y^2 - (\sum y)^2])}}$$

...where **x** = Elevation value and **y** = Slope value
and **n** = number of value pairs

...625 small data tables
within 5 cell reach =
81 map values for localized summary

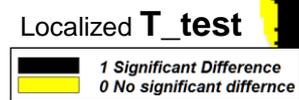
Localized Correlation

Map Variable – continuous quantitative surface represents the localized spatial relationship between the two map surfaces



Predictive Statistics (Correlation)

Map Comparison (Statistical Tests)



PowerPoint and Online Book Chapter on SpatialSTEM

Part 1) Overview

Part 2) Spatial Analysis (contextual relationships)

Part 3) Spatial Statistics (numerical relationships)

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Online book chapter...
A series of Beyond Mapping columns in GeoWorld compiled into Topic 30, "SpatialSTEM: A Math/Stat Framework for Grid-based Map Analysis and Modeling" in the online book Beyond Mapping III posted at...
www.innovativegis.com/basis/MapAnalysis/Topic30/Topic30.htm/

Further Reading

Making a Case for SpatialSTEM — a 15-page white paper describing a framework for grid-based map analysis and modeling concepts and procedures

http://www.innovativegis.com/basis/Papers/Other/SpatialSTEM/SpatialSTEM_case.pdf

SpatialSTEM: Extending Traditional Mathematics and Statistics to Grid-based Map Analysis and Modeling — white paper describing an innovative approach for teaching map analysis and modeling fundamentals within a mathematical/statistical context

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Further SpatialSTEM Readings — a comprehensive appendix to the SpatialSTEM "extended readings" with URL links to over 125 additional readings on the grid-based map analysis/modeling concepts, terminology, considerations and procedures described in the papers on SpatialSTEM

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Part 4) Future Directions