

# The GRASS GIS software

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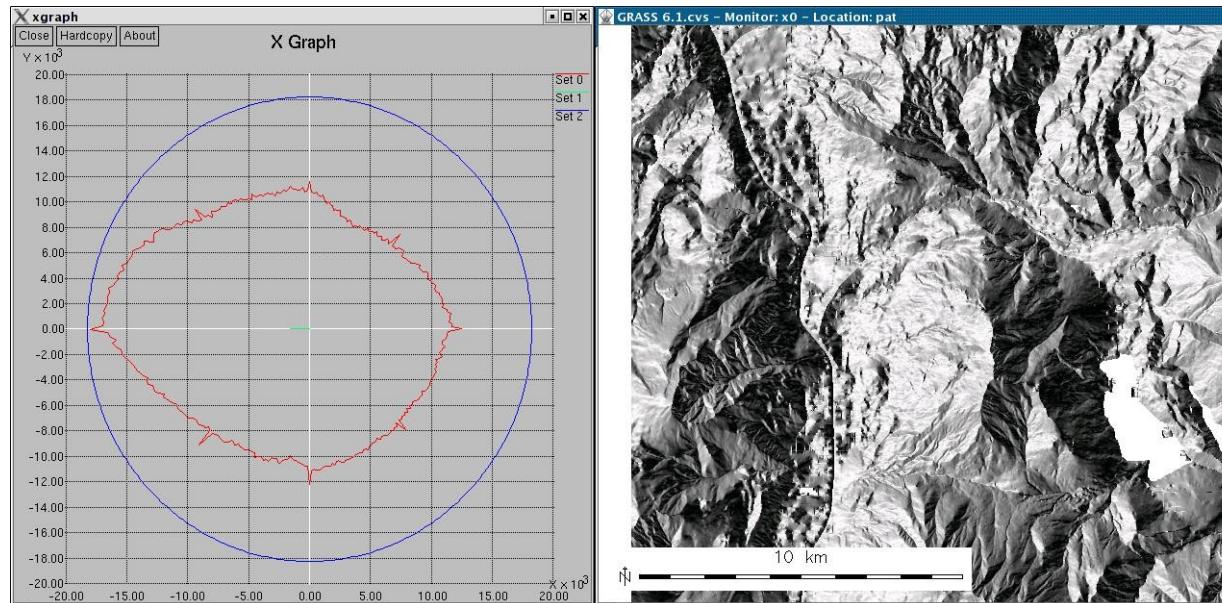
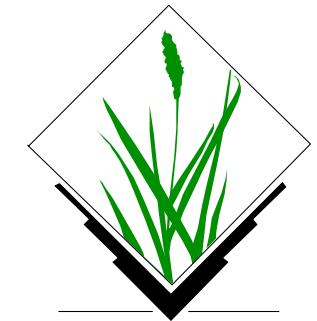
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# GRASS: Geographic Resources Analysis Support System

Scope: Learn the use of Free Software GIS

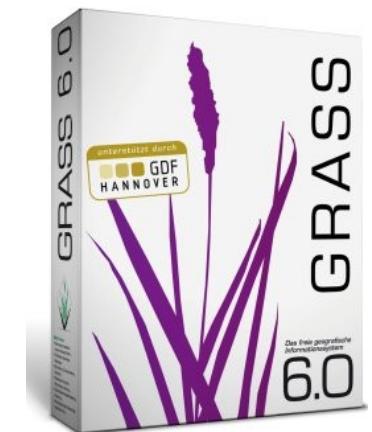
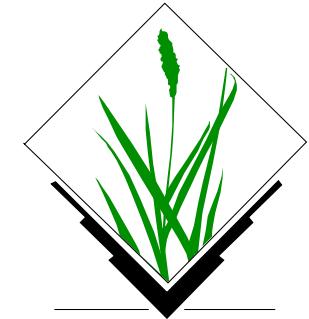
- PART I: Introduction to GRASS and QGIS
- PART II: Practical examples



# GRASS: Geographic Resources Analysis Support System

Free Software GIS (“software libero”):

- GRASS master Web site is in Italy:  
**<http://grass.itc.it>**
- *Portable*: Versions for GNU/Linux, MS-Windows, Mac OSX, SUN, etc
- *Programming*: Programmer's Manual on Web site (PDF, HTML), generated weekly. Code is documented in source code files (doxygen)
- Sample data
- Mailing lists in various languages
- Commercial support



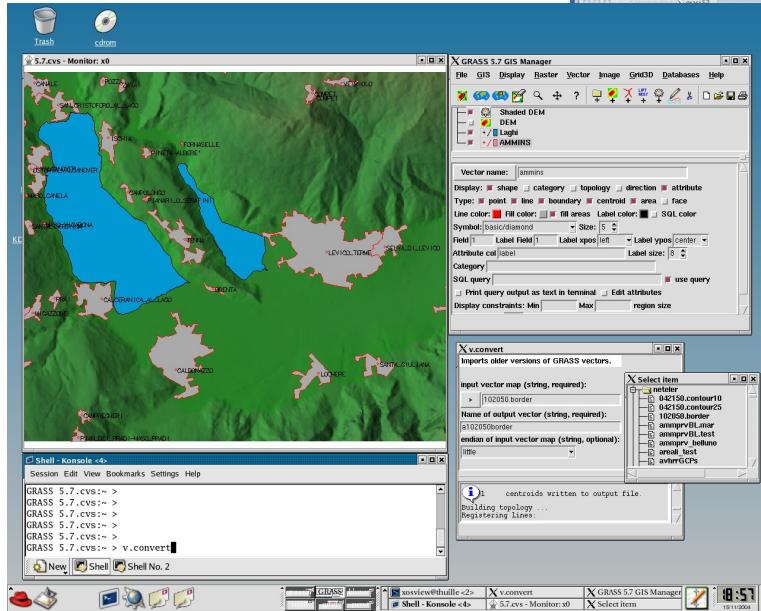
# GRASS GIS

## Brief Introduction

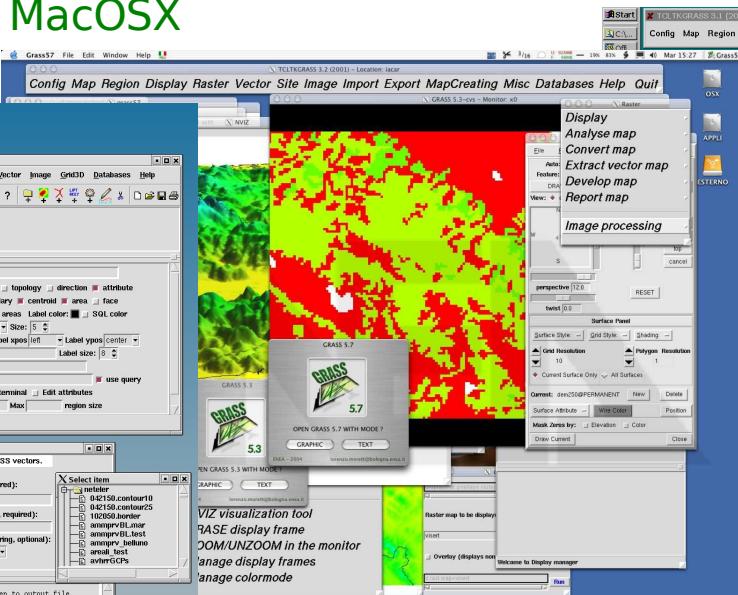
- Developed since 1984, **always Open Source**, since 1999 under GNU GPL
- Written in C programming language, **portable code** (multi-OS, 32/64bit)
- **International development team**, since 2001 coordinated at ITC-irst
- GRASS master Web site:

<http://grass.itc.it>

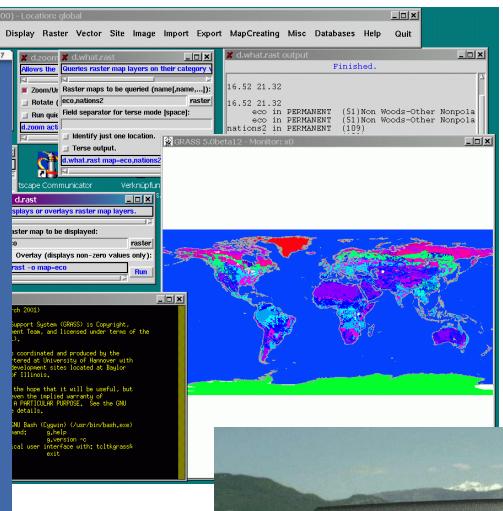
GNU/Linux



MacOSX



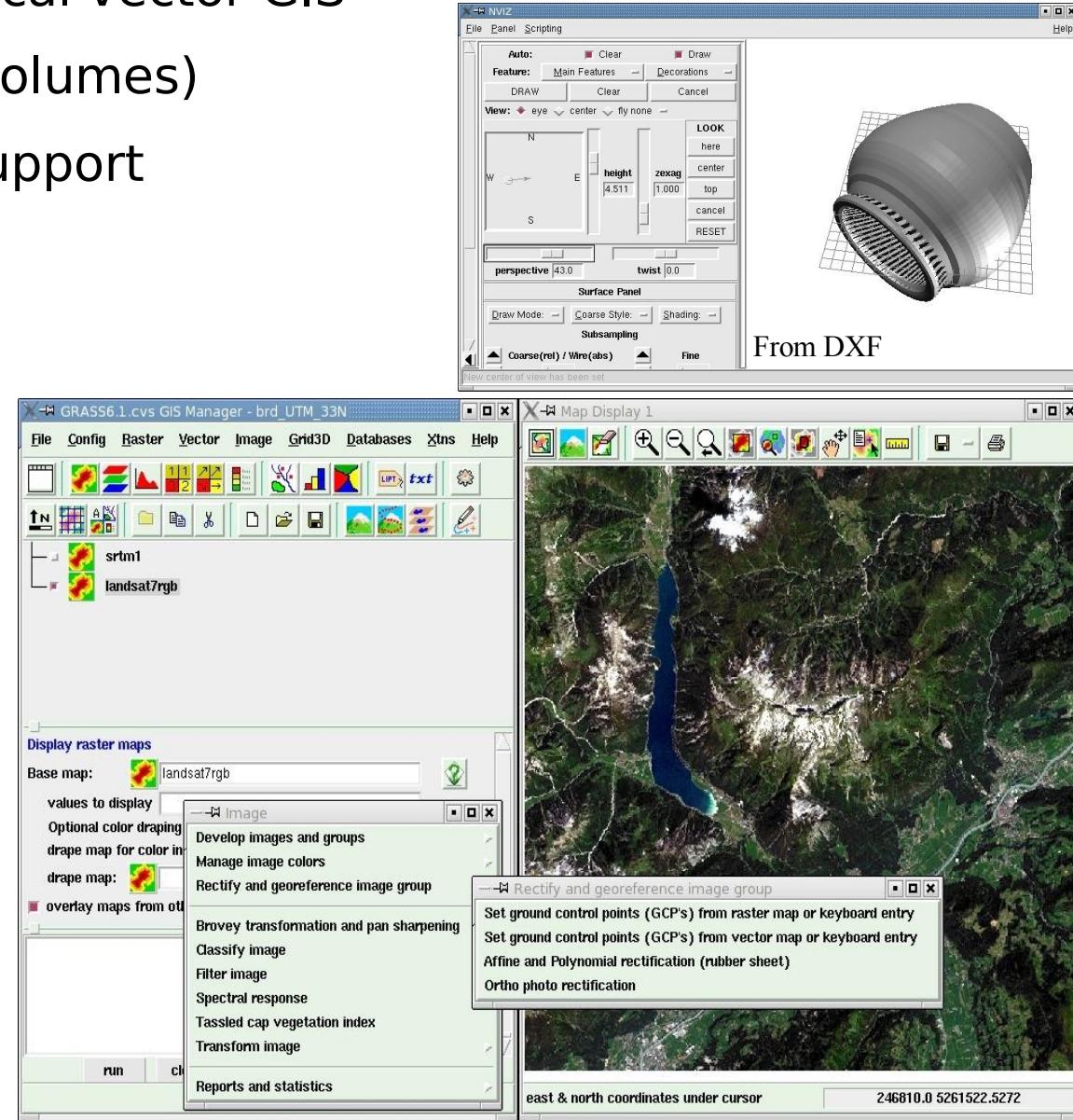
MS-Windows



iPAQ

# What's GRASS GIS?

- Raster and 2D/3D topological vector GIS
- Voxel support (raster 3D volumes)
- Vector network analysis support
- Image processing system
- Visualization system
- DBMS integrated (SQL) with dbf, PostgreSQL, MySQL and sqlite drivers
- In GRASS 6.1 translations of the user interface to **16 languages** ongoing
- **Interoperability**: supports all relevant raster and vector formats



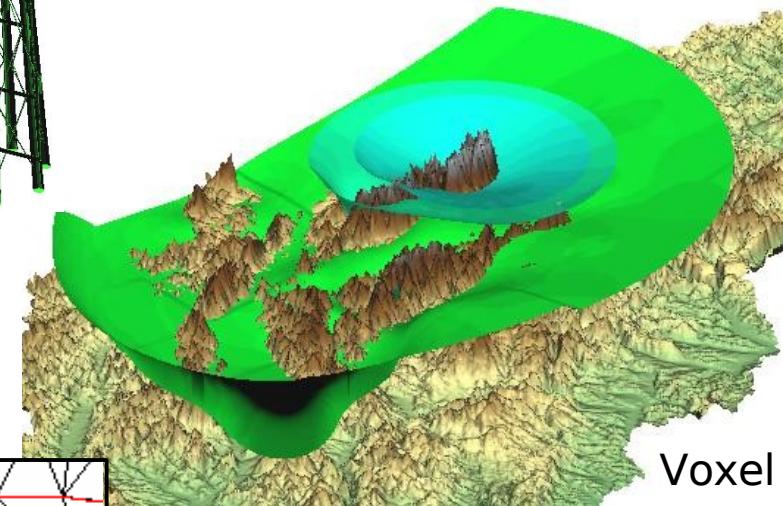
# Spatial Data Types

## Supported Spatial Data Types

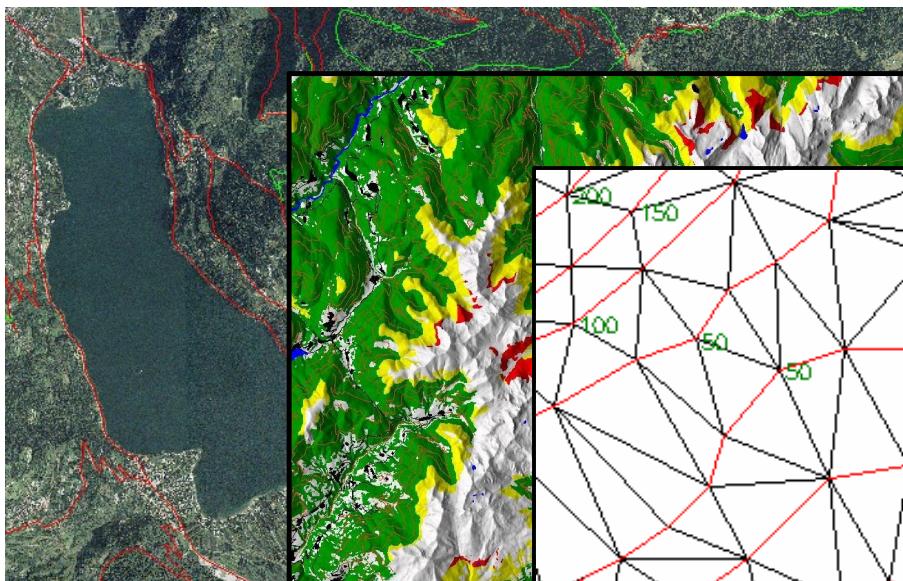
- 2D Raster data incl. image processing
- 3D Voxel data for volumetric data
- 2D/3D Vector data with topology
- Multidimensional points data



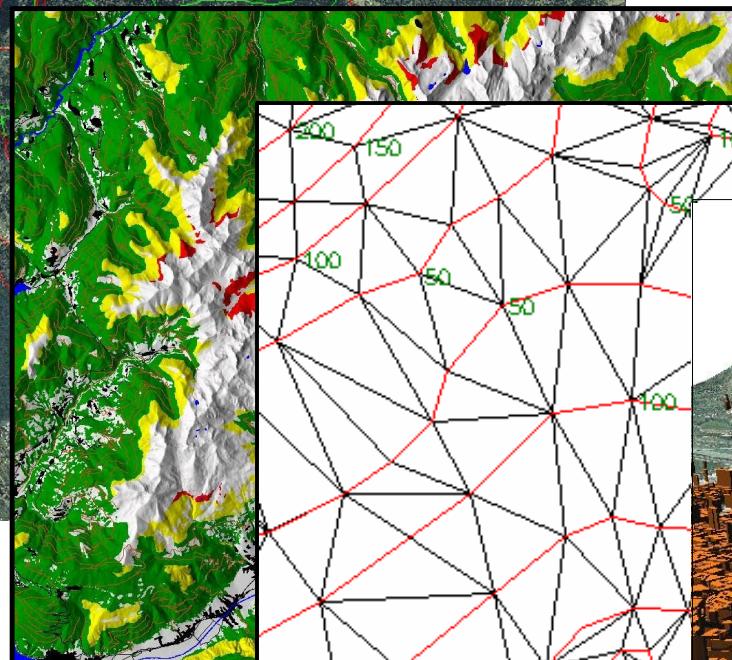
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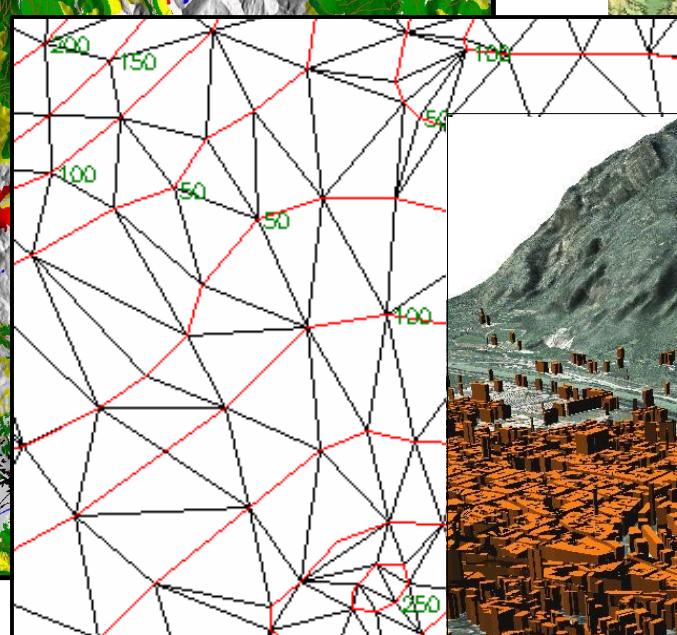
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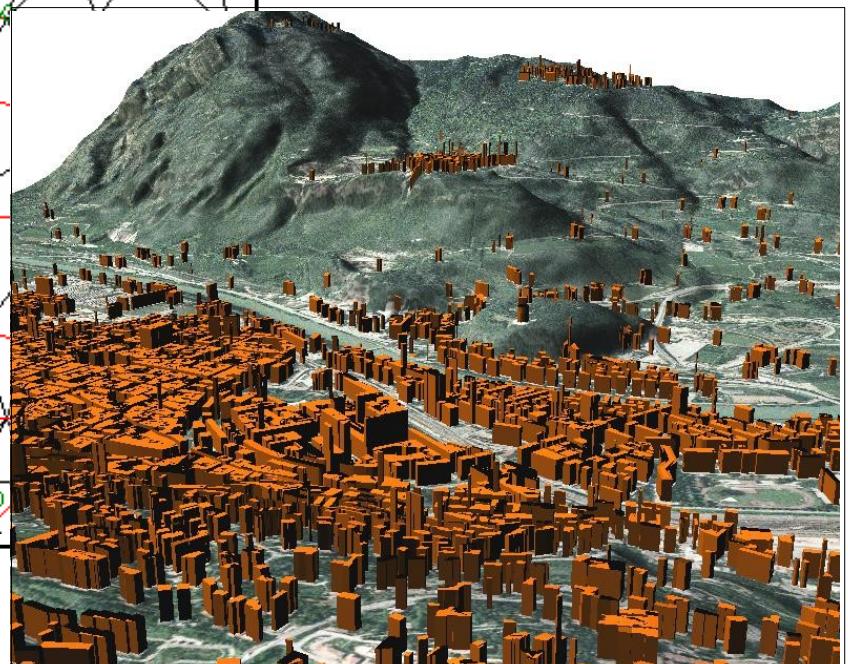
Orthophoto



Distances



Vector TIN

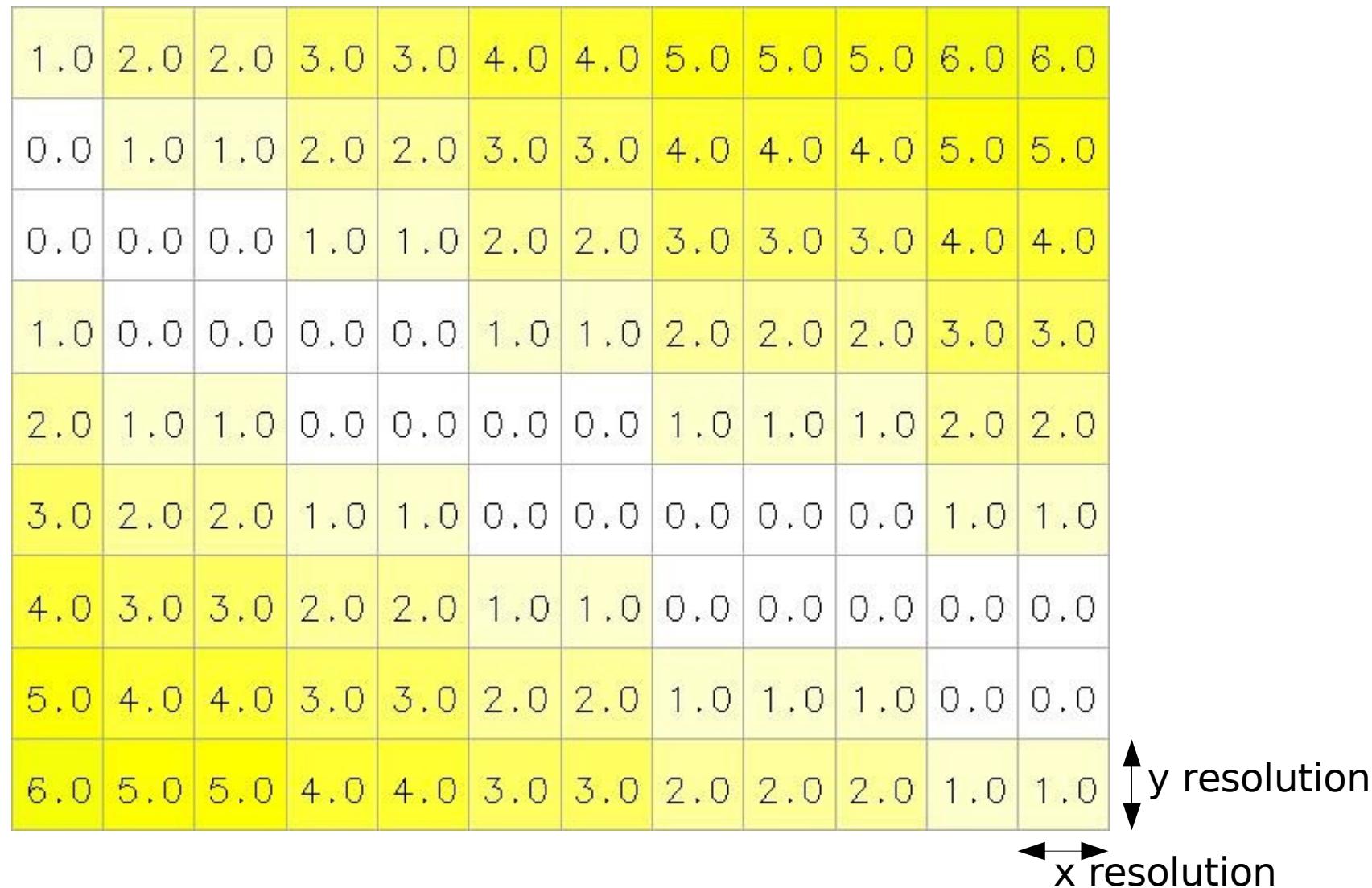


3D Vector buildings

# Raster data model

## Raster geometry

- cell matrix with coordinates
- resolution: cell width / height (can be in kilometers, meters, degree etc.)



# Vector data model

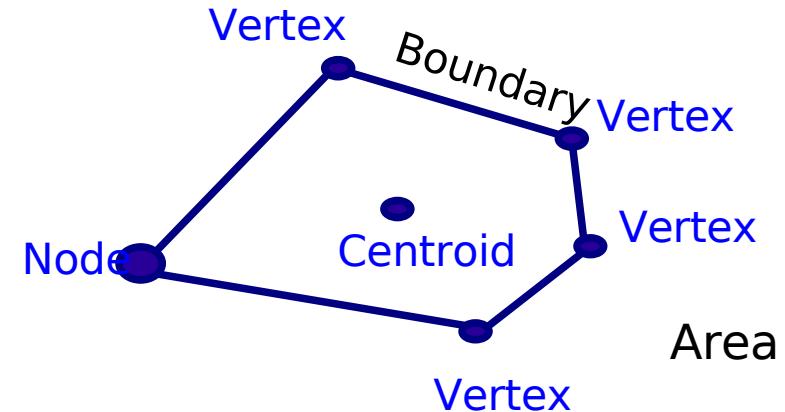
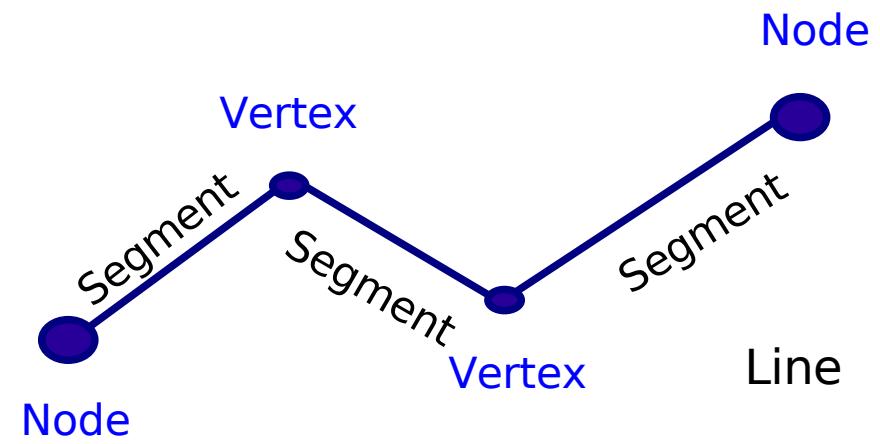
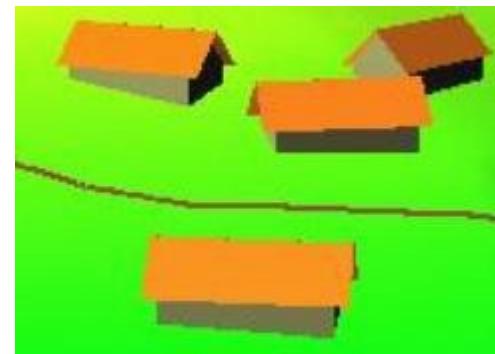
## Vector geometry types

- Point
- Centroid
- Line
- Boundary
- Area (boundary + centroid)
- face (3D area)
- [kernel (3D centroid)]
- [volumes (faces + kernel)]

not in all GIS!



Faces



# OGC Simple Features versus Vector Topology

## Simple Features ...

- points, lines, polygons
- replicated boundaries for adjacent areas

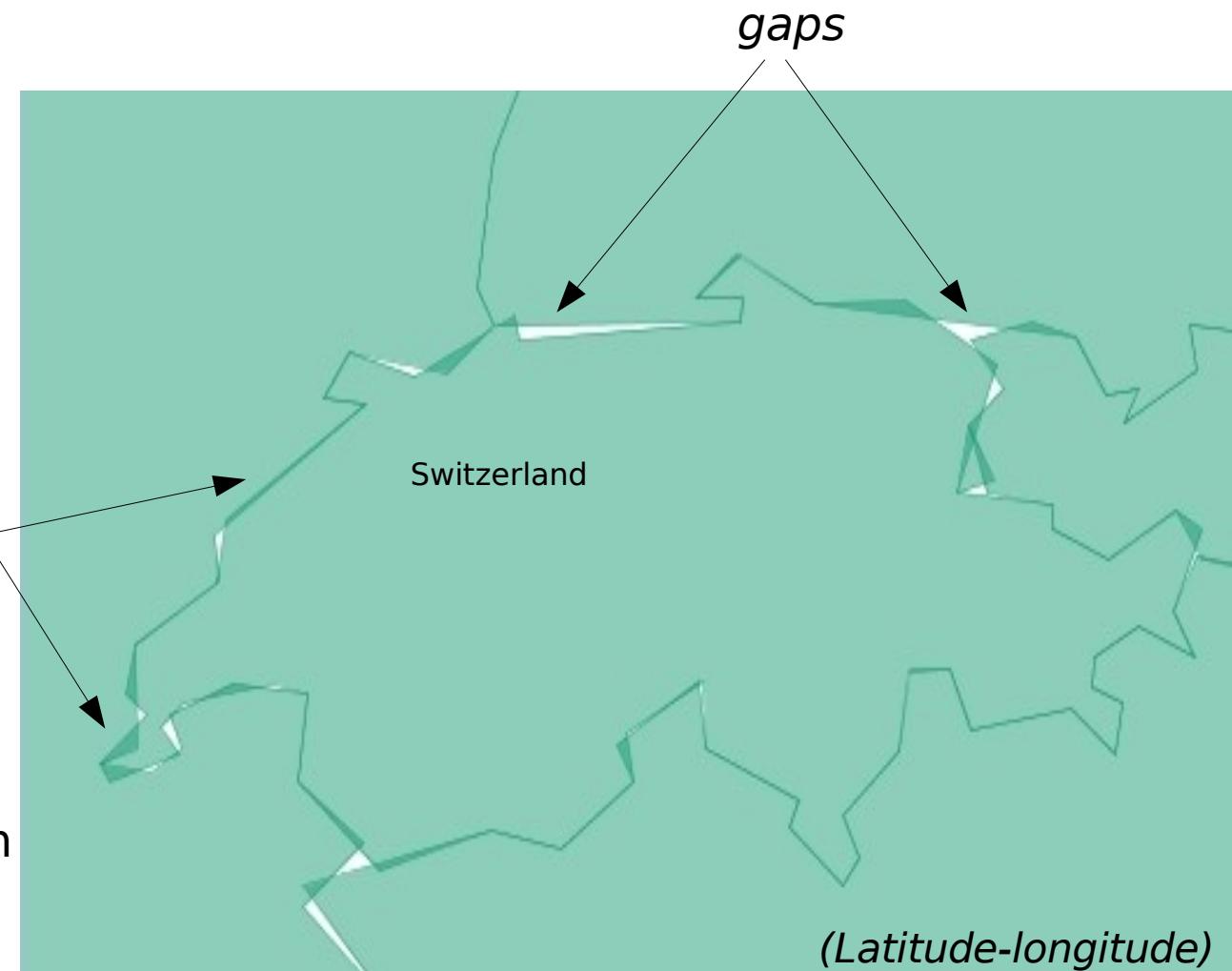
### Advantage:

- faster computations

### Disadvantage:

- extra work for data maintenance
- in this example the duplicated boundaries are causing troubles

Map generalized with  
Douglas-Peucker algorithm  
in **non-topological** GIS



# OGC Simple Features versus Vector Topology

## ... versus Vector Topology

- points, centroids, lines, boundaries
- in topology centroid and boundary form an area
- single boundaries for adjacent areas

### Advantage:

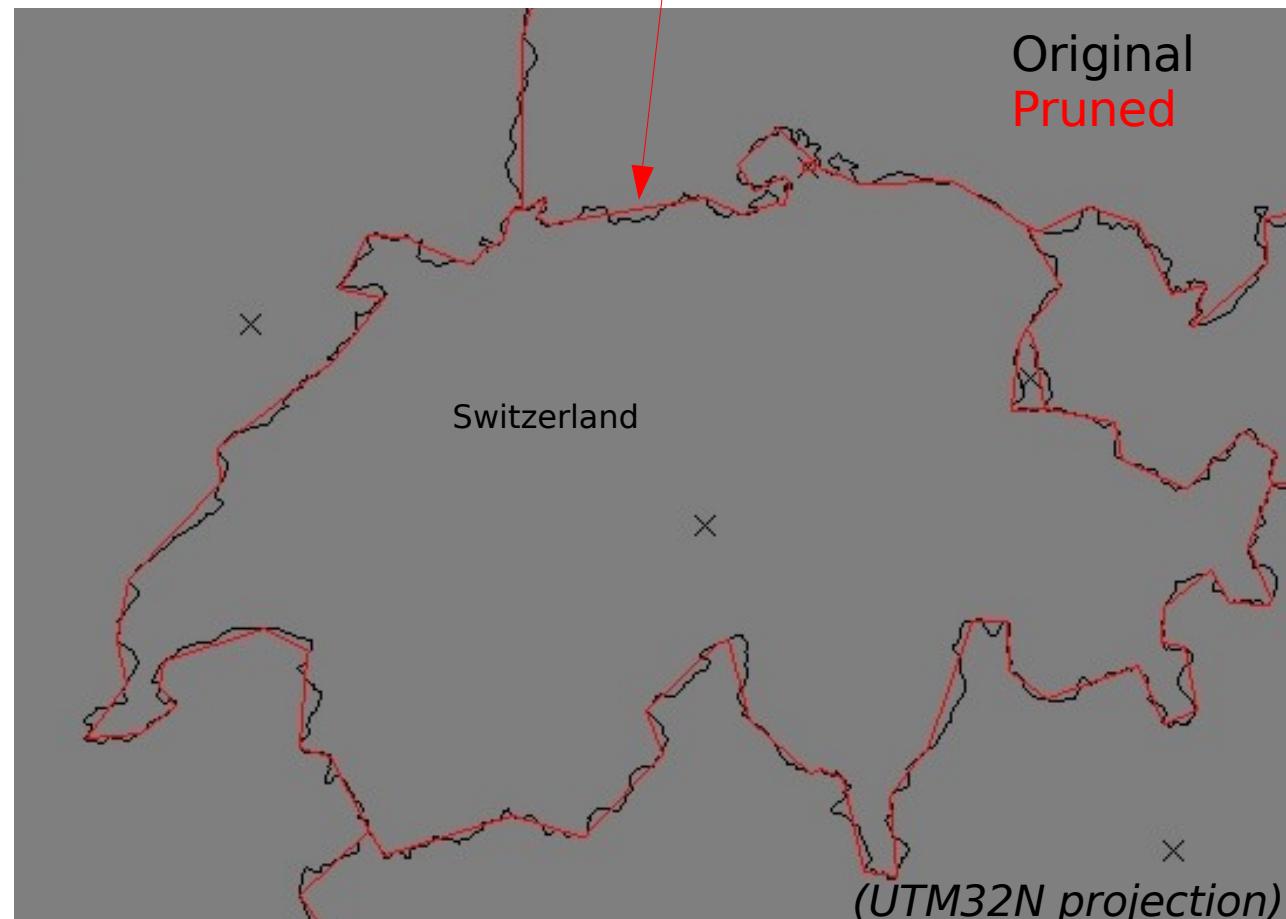
- less maintenance,  
high quality

### Disadvantage:

- slower computations

Map generalized with  
v.clean “prune” algorithm  
in **topological** GIS GRASS

*each boundary is  
a single line,  
divided by two polygons*



# Italy: Gauss-Boaga Coordinate System

## Gauss-Boaga

- ▶ Transverse Mercator projection
- ▶ 2 zones (**fuso Ovest, Est**) with a width of  $6^{\circ}30'$  longitude
- ▶ Each zone is an own projection!
  
- ▶ **False easting:** Fuso Ovest: 1500000m (1500km)  
Fuso Est: 2520000m (2520km)
- ▶ **False northing:** 0m
  
- ▶ **Scale along meridian:** 0.9996 – secante case, not tangent case
- ▶ **Ellipsoid:** international (Hayford 1909, also called International 1924)
  
- ▶ **Geodetic datum:** Rome 1940 (3 national datums; local datums to buy from IGM). National datum values available at:  
<http://crs.bkg.bund.de/crs-eu/>

# Italy: Gauss-Boaga Fuso Ovest

## ESRI PRJ-File for Fuso Ovest (g.proj -w in GRASS)

```
PROJCS["Monte_Mario_Italy_1",
    GEOGCS["GCS_Monte_Mario",
        DATUM["Monte_Mario",
            SPHEROID["International_1924",6378388,297]],
        PRIMEM["Greenwich",0],
        UNIT["Degree",0.017453292519943295]],
    PROJECTION["Transverse_Mercator"],
    PARAMETER["False_Easting",1500000],
    PARAMETER["False_Northing",0],
    PARAMETER["Central_Meridian",9],
    PARAMETER["Scale_Factor",0.9996],
    PARAMETER["Latitude_Of_Origin",0],
    UNIT["Meter",1]]
```

EPSG codes:

Gauss-Boaga/Monte Mario 1: EPSG 26591  
Gauss-Boaga/Monte Mario 2: EPSG 26592

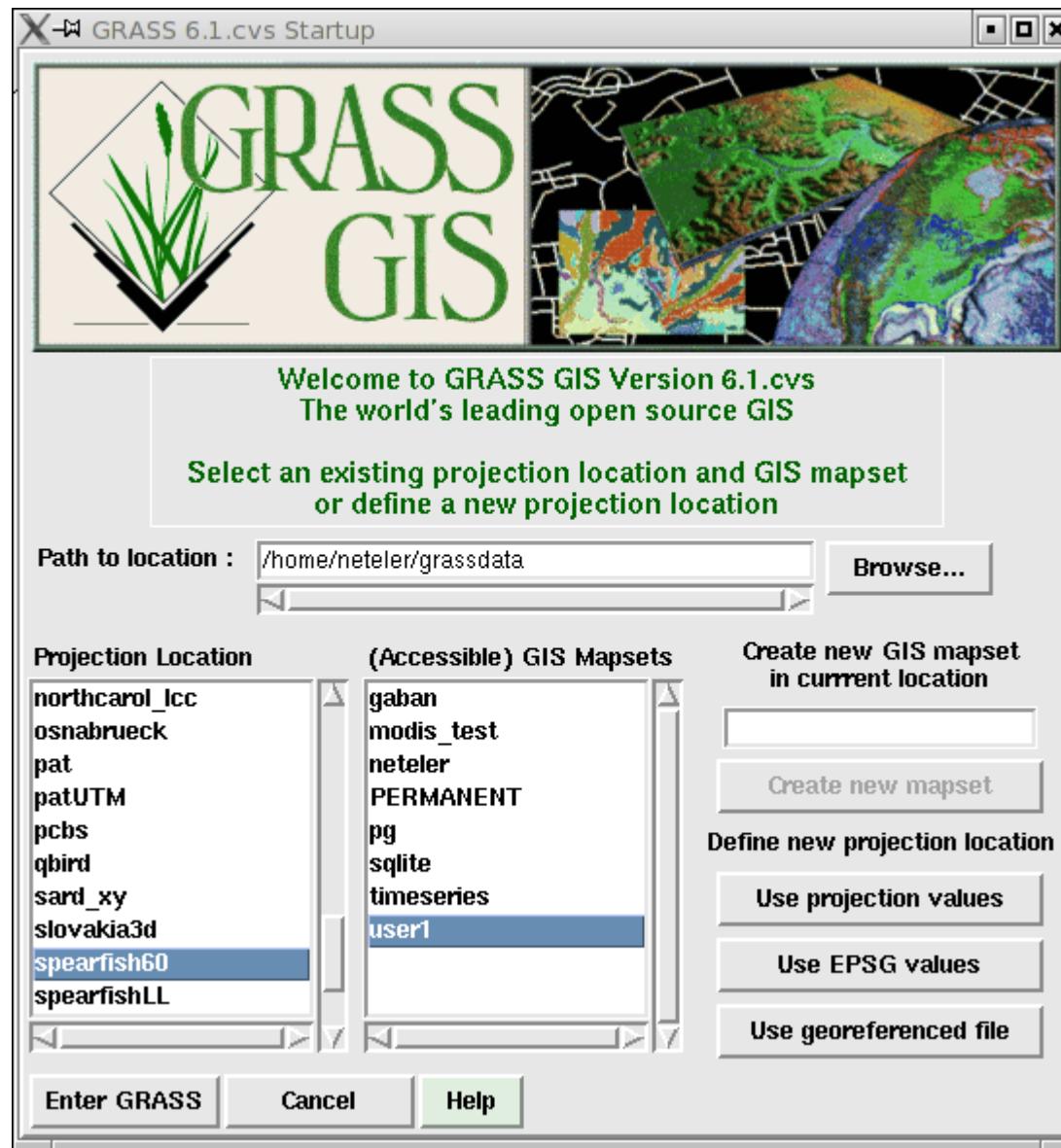
# Geodetic Datums of Gauss-Boaga

**Geodetic datum:** “peninsular datum”

"Monte Mario to WGS 84 (4)", "Position Vector 7-param. transformation",  
"X-axis translation", "1", "-104.1", "metre", "Italy - mainland"  
"Y-axis translation", "2", "-49.1", "metre", "Italy - mainland"  
"Z-axis translation", "3", "-9.9", "metre", "Italy - mainland"  
"X-axis rotation", "4", "0.971", "arc-second", "Italy - mainland"  
"Y-axis rotation", "5", "-2.917", "arc-second", "Italy - mainland"  
"Z-axis rotation", "6", "0.714", "arc-second", "Italy - mainland"  
"Scale difference", "7", "-11.68", "parts per million", "Italy - mainland"

also available: Sardegna, Sicilia

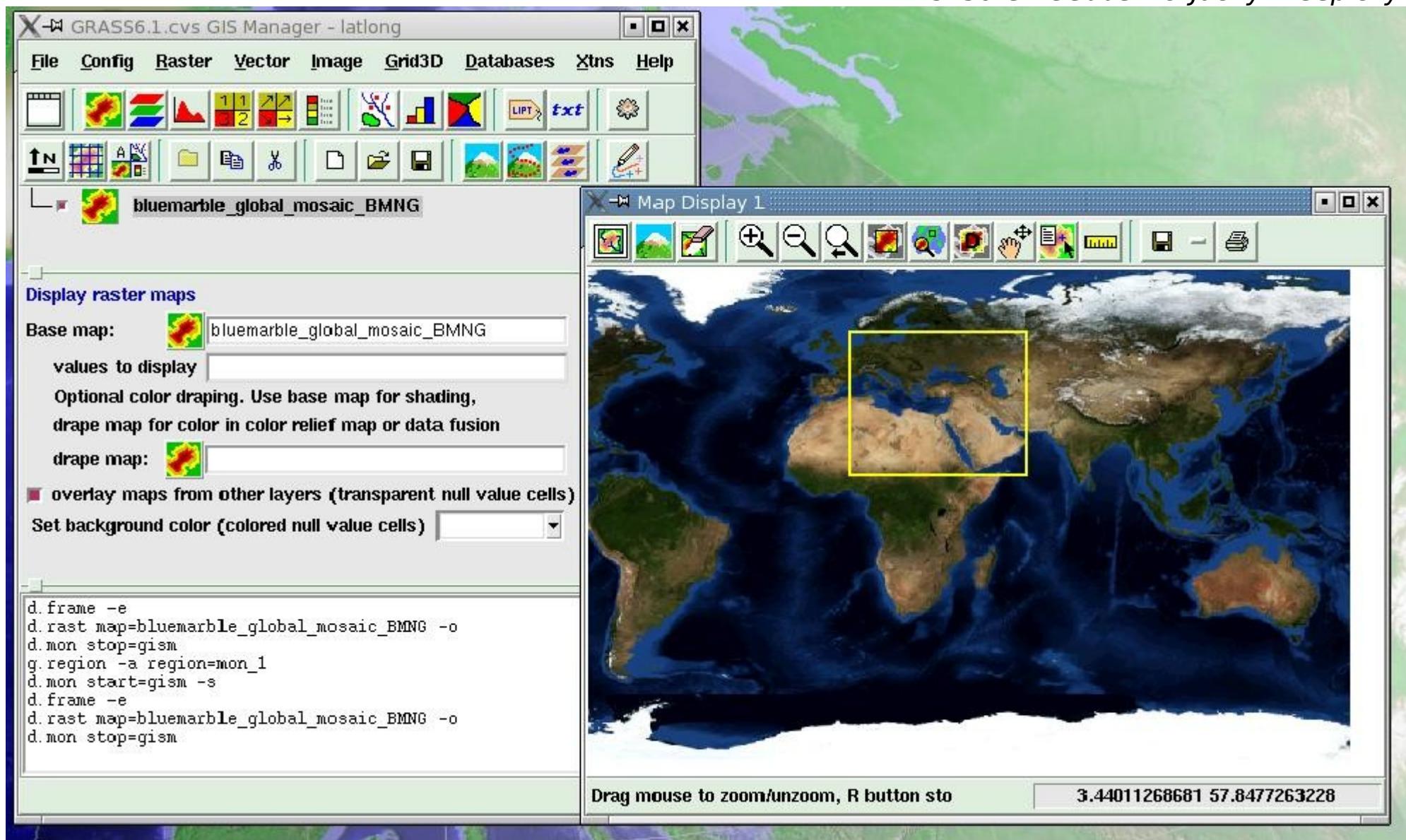
# How to use GRASS GIS?



GRASS startup screen

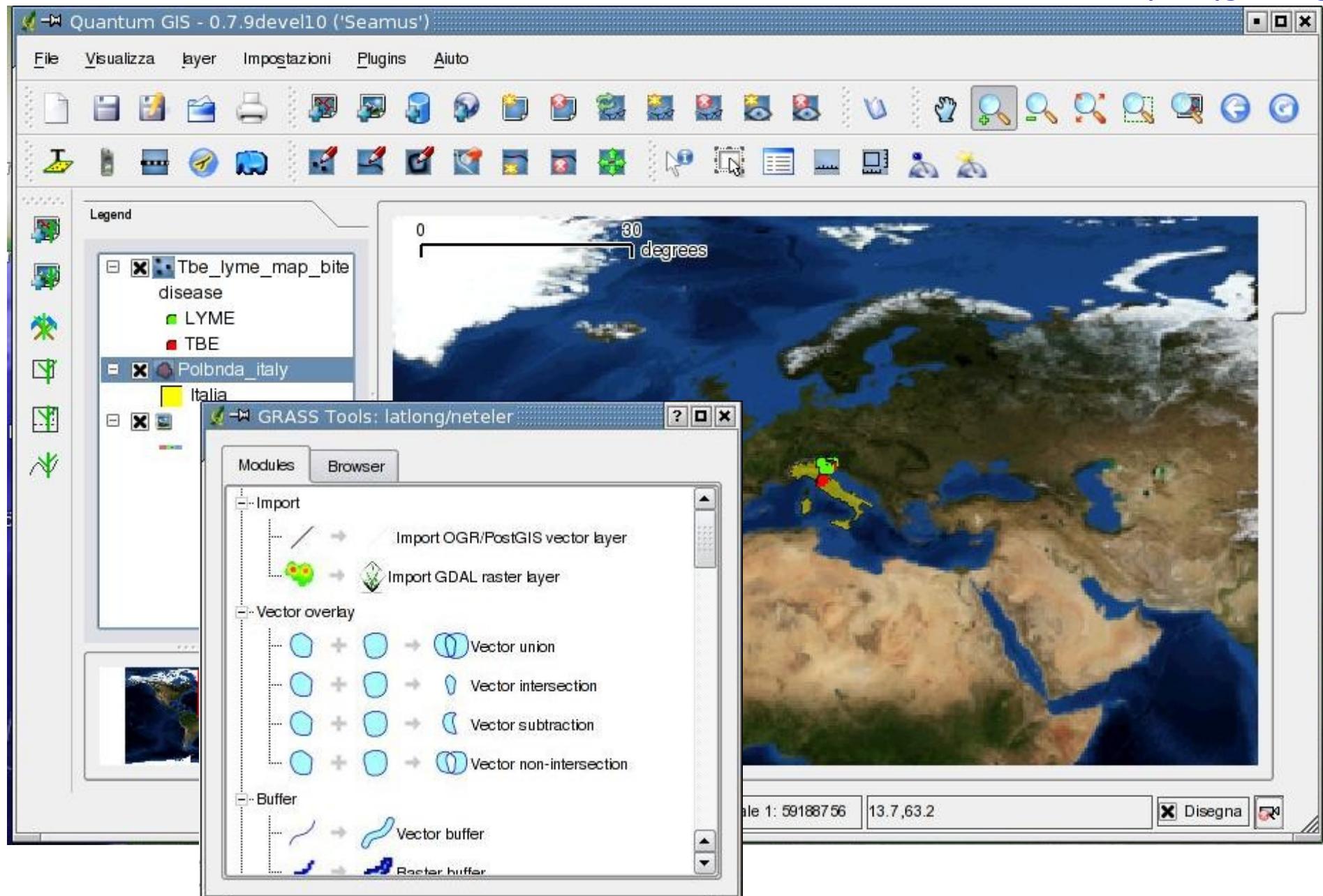
# GRASS: Modernized GIS manager and WMS support

*gis.m: Michael Barton, Cedric Shock  
r.in.wms: Sören Gebbert & Jachym Cepicky*



# GRASS integration with QGIS

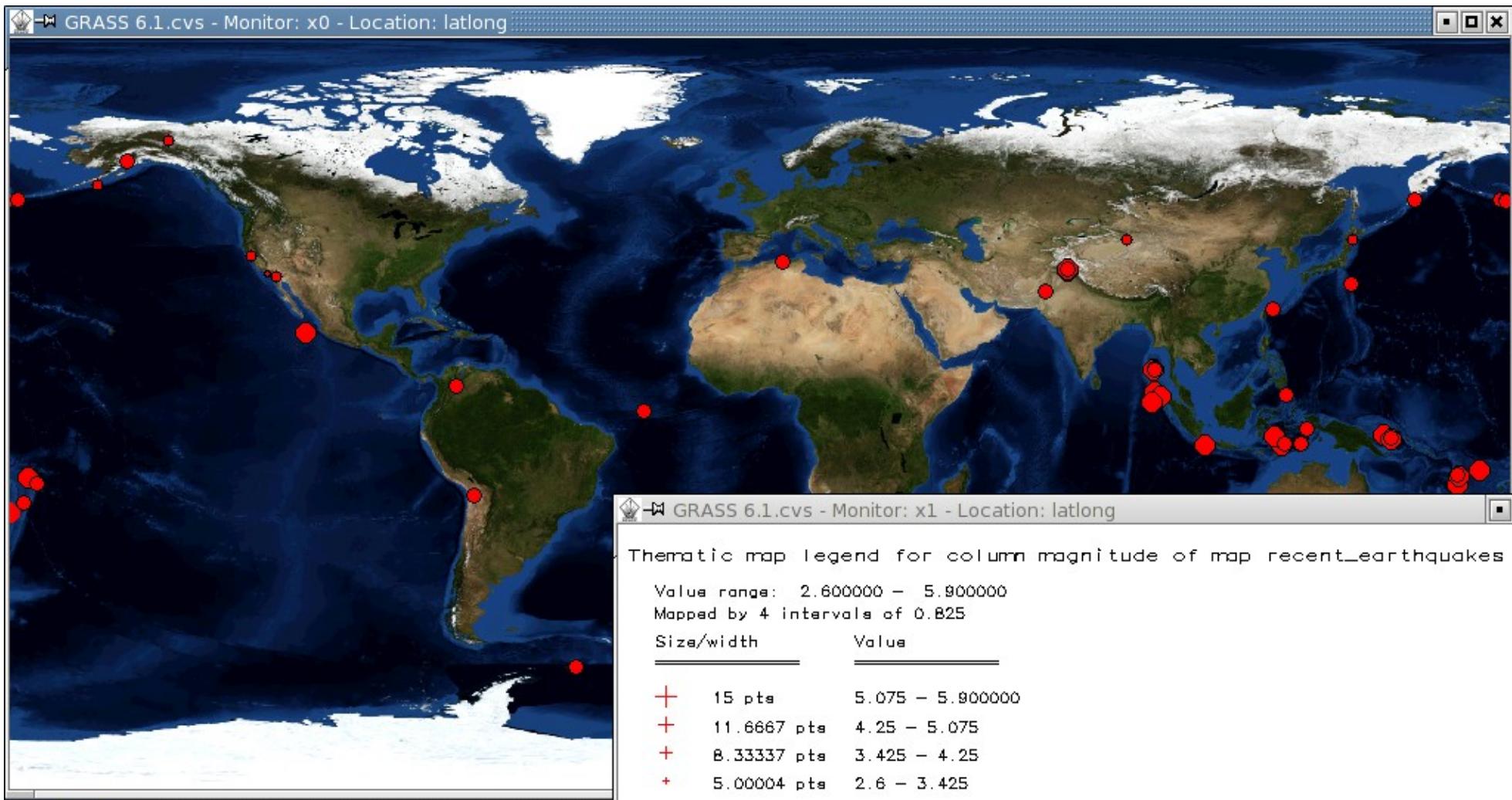
QGIS-GRASS plugin: Radim Blazek <http://qgis.org>



# WebGIS: Integration of data sources

## GRASS in the Web

Real-time monitoring of Earthquakes (provided in Web by USGS)  
with GRASS/PHP: [http://grass.itc.it/spearfish/php\\_grass\\_earthquakes.php](http://grass.itc.it/spearfish/php_grass_earthquakes.php)

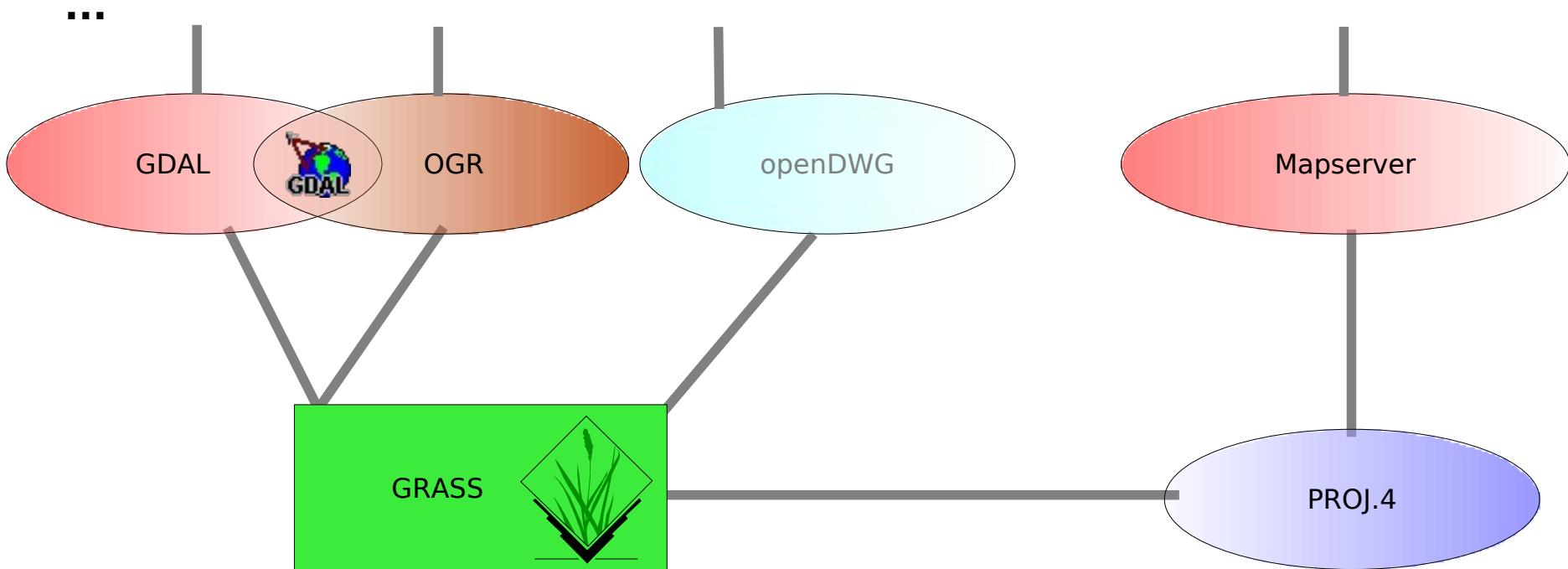




# GRASS GIS Interoperability

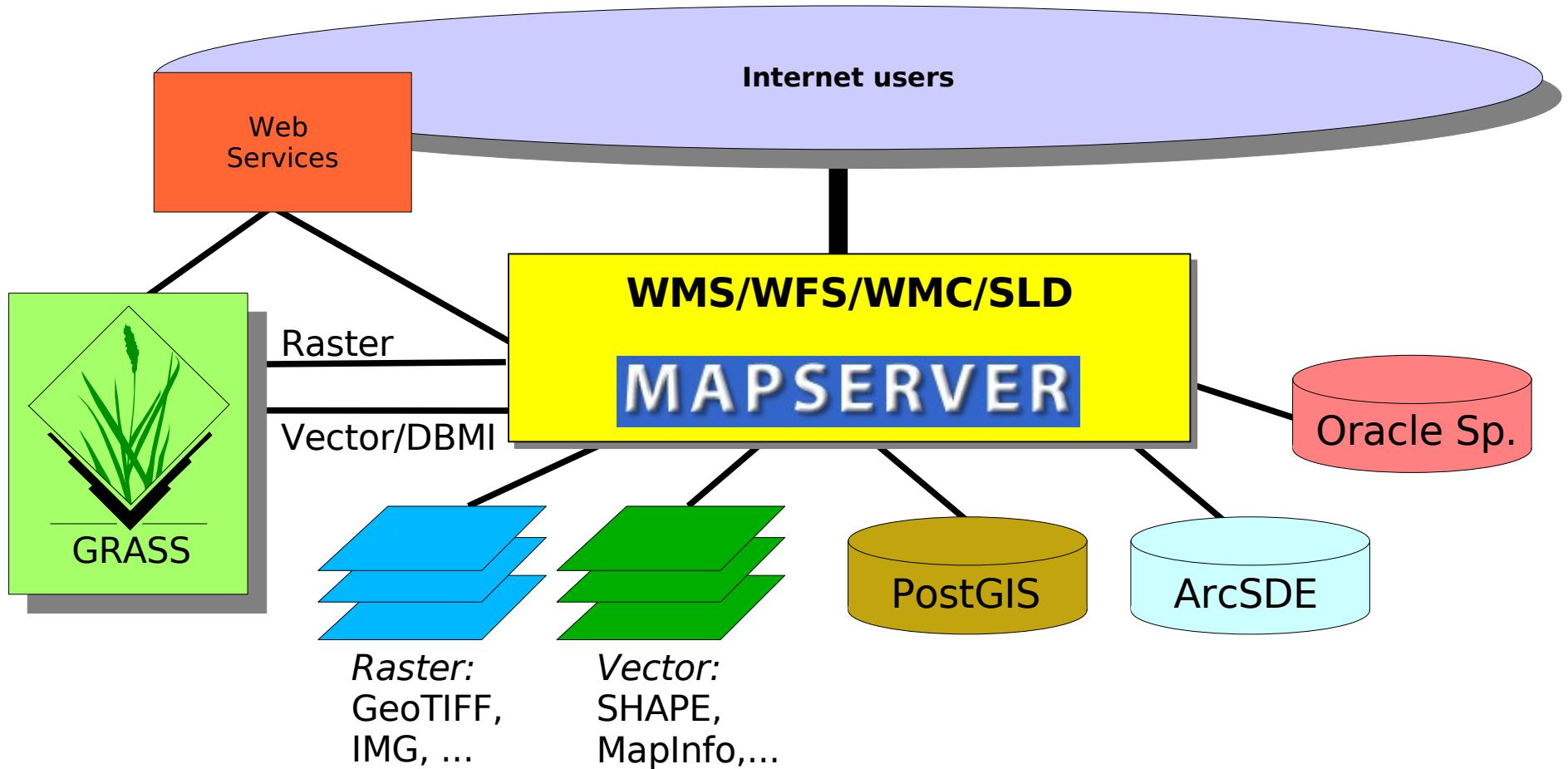
## Data models and formats

| Raster    | Vector      | CAD | WebGIS                          |
|-----------|-------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| GeoTIFF   | DGN         | DXF | Web Map Service (WMS)           |
| Erdas IMG | ESRI-SHAPE  | DWG | Web Coverage Service (WCS)      |
| MrSID     | GML         | ... | Web Feature Service (WFS)       |
| ECW       | Spatial SQL |     | Web Map Context Documents (WMC) |
| JPEG2000  | ...         |     |                                 |



# WebGIS: Integration of data sources

## GIS – DBMI – Mapserver linking



## Part II

### Practical examples

- GRASS startup
- User interface
- NVIZ visualization
- Raster data processing
- Vector map applications
- Image processing

**DATA download:**  
<http://mpa.itc.it/markus/osg05/>

# Command structure

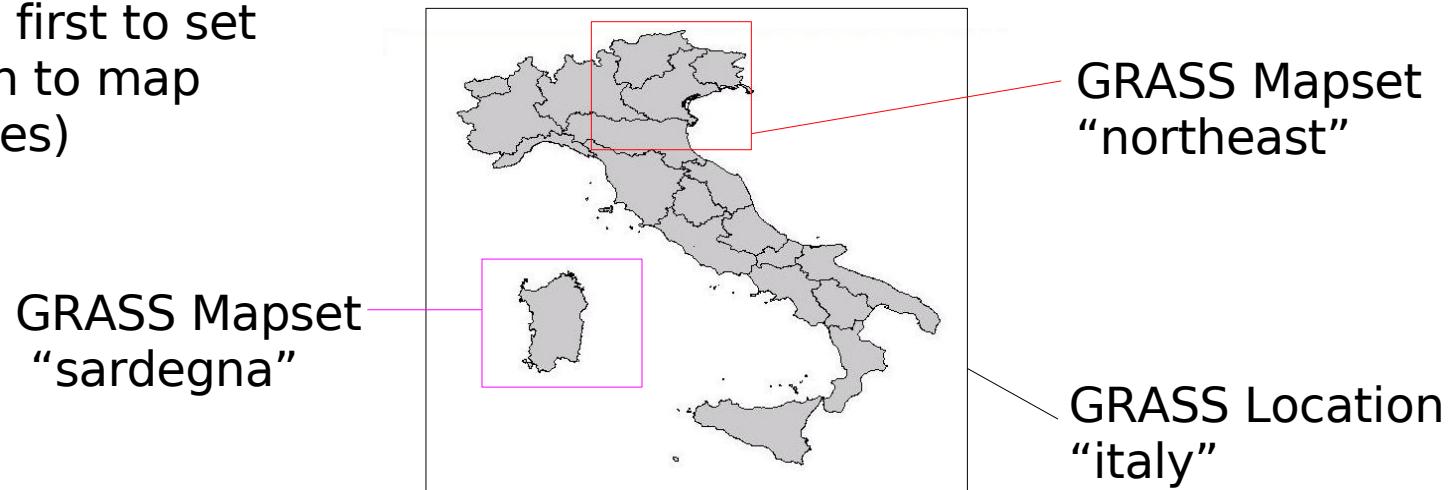
| <b>GRASS Command Overview</b> |                       |                                   |                                                                                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>prefix</i>                 | <i>function class</i> | <i>type of command</i>            | <i>example</i>                                                                  |
| d.*                           | display               | graphical output                  | <i>d.rast: views raster map</i><br><i>d.vect: views vector map</i>              |
| db.*                          | database              | database management               | <i>db.select: selects value(s) from table</i>                                   |
| g.*                           | general               | general file operations           | <i>g.rename: renames map</i>                                                    |
| i.*                           | imagery               | image processing                  | <i>i.smap: image classifier</i>                                                 |
| ps.*                          | postscript            | map creation in Postscript format | <i>ps.map: map creation</i>                                                     |
| r.*                           | raster                | raster data processing            | <i>r.buffer: buffer around raster features</i><br><i>r.mapcalc: map algebra</i> |
| r3.*                          | voxel                 | raster voxel data processing      | <i>r3.mapcalc: volume map algebra</i>                                           |
| v.*                           | vector                | vector data processing            | <i>v.overlay: vector map intersections</i>                                      |

# Some things you should know about GRASS

- Import of data: GRASS always import the **complete** map
- Export of data:
  - Vector maps: always the entire map is exported (cut before if needed)
  - Raster maps: r.out.gdal always exports entire map at original resolution  
r.out.tiff (etc.) export at current region and resolution

## What's a region in GRASS?

- The **default** region is the standard settings of a GRASS location which is essentially independent from any map
- A region is the current working area (user selected resolution and coordinate boundaries)
- All **vector** calculations are done at full vector map
- All **raster** calculations are done at current resolution/region. To do calculations at original raster map resolution/region, the easiest way is to use 'g.region' first to set current region to map (see next slides)



# Spearfish Sample Dataset

Spearfish (SD) sample data location



## Maps:

- raster, vector and point data
- covering two 1:24000 topographic maps (quadrangles Spearfish and Deadwood North)
- UTM zone 13N, transverse mercator projection, Clarke66 ellipsoid,
- NAD27 datum, metric units, boundary coordinates:  
4928000N, 4914000S, 590000W, 609000E

**DATA download:**  
<http://mpa.itc.it/markus/osg05/>

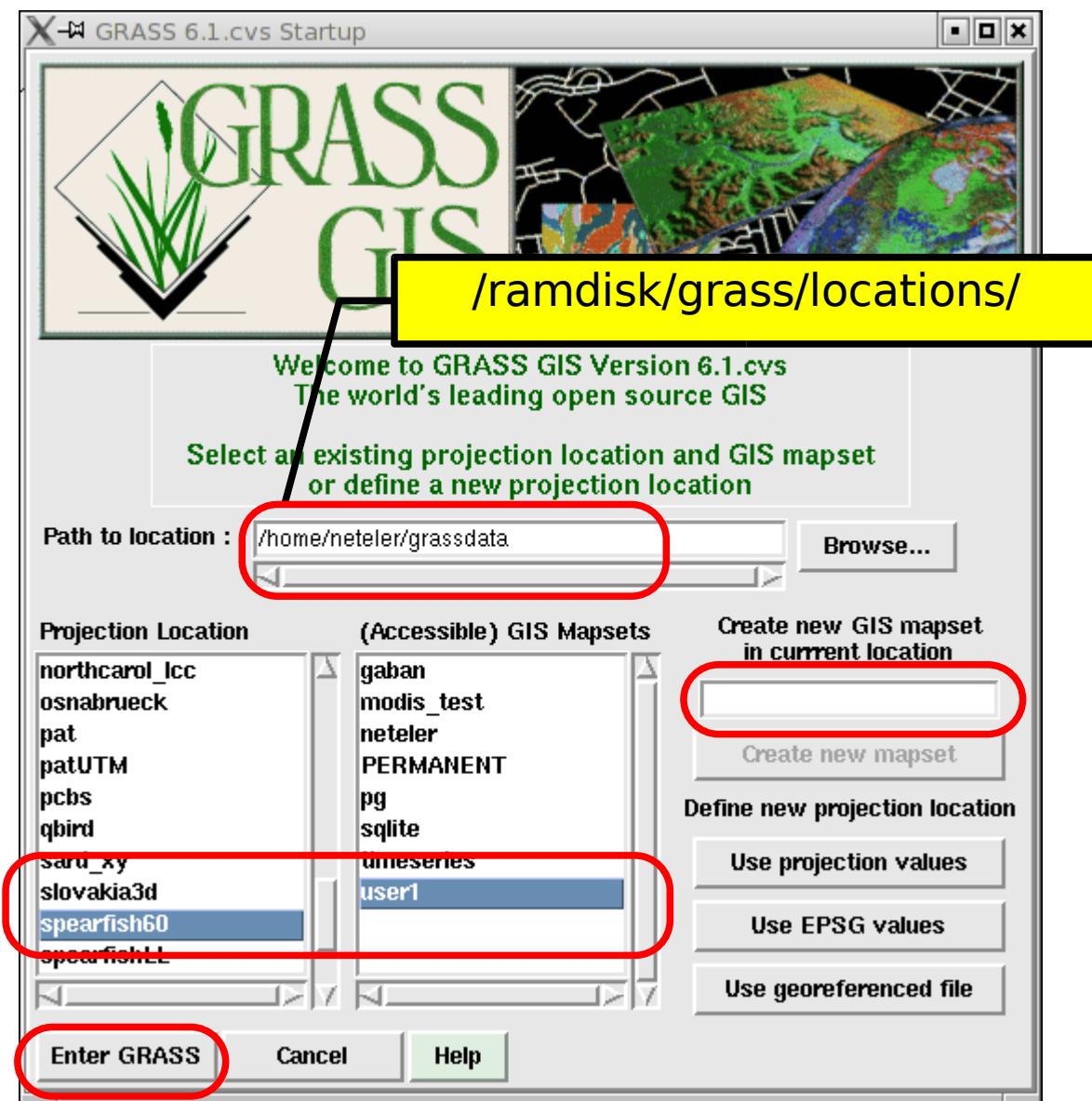
# Practical GIS Usage

- ▶ Start a “terminal” to enter commands
- ▶ Start GRASS 6 within the terminal:

```
grass61 -help
```

```
grass61 -gui
```

1.

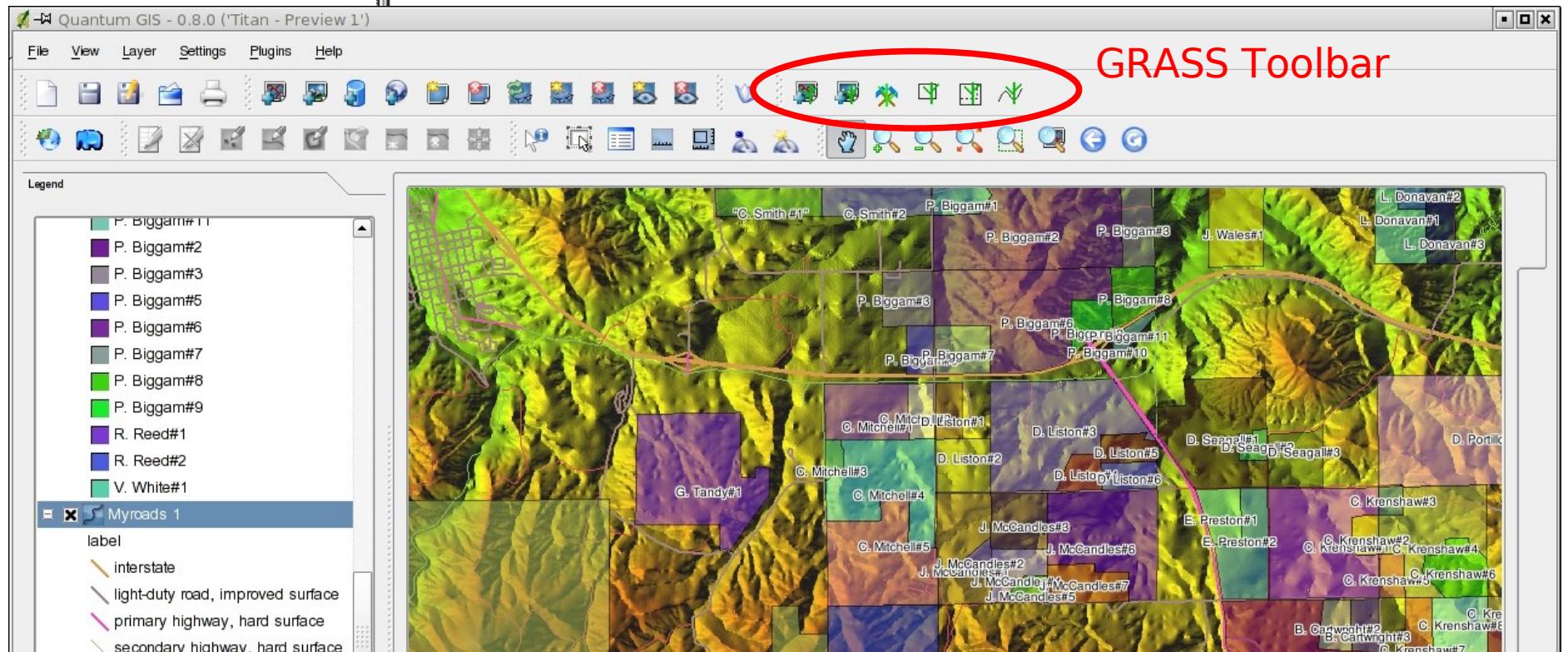


# GRASS user interface: QGIS

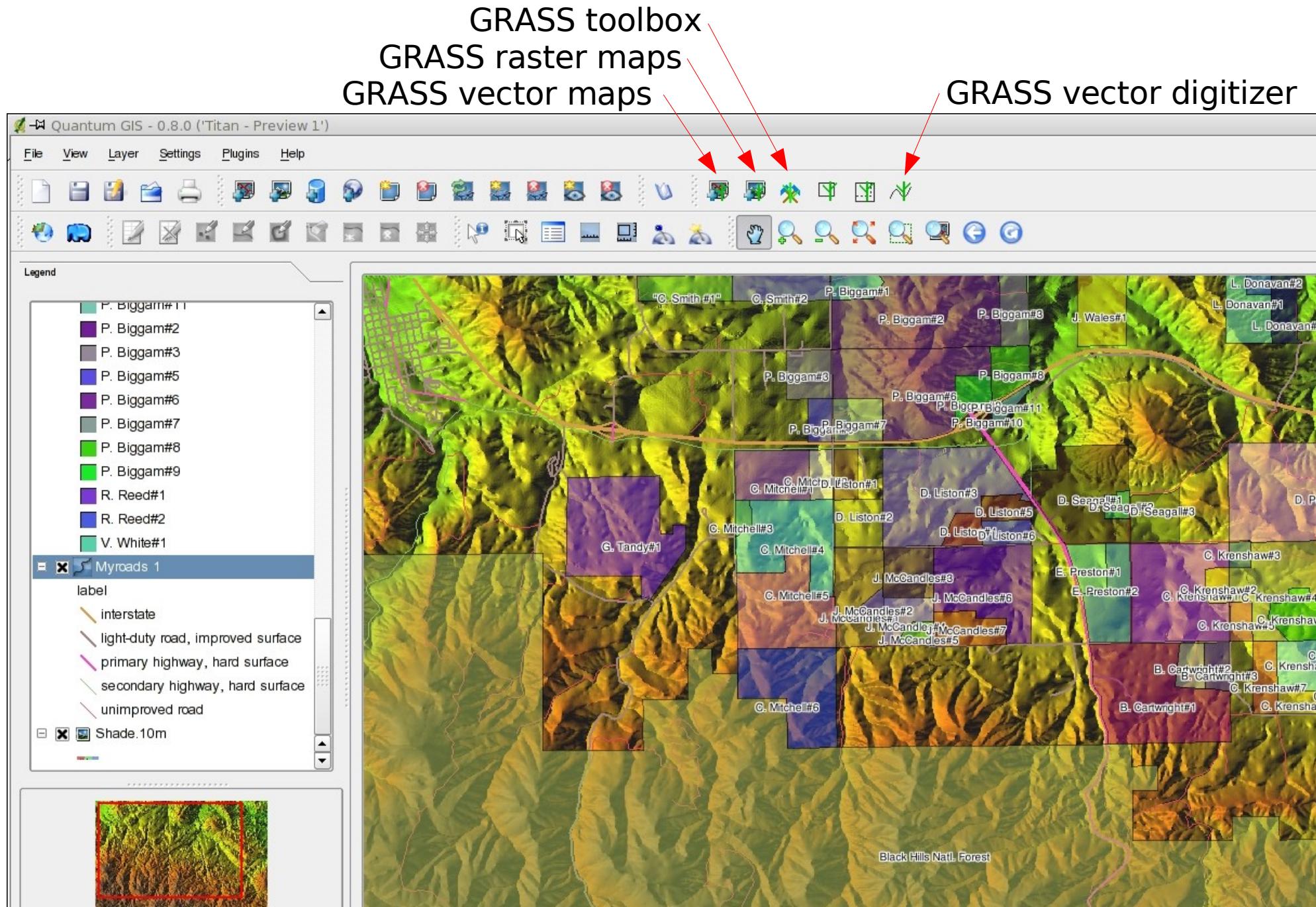
► <http://qgis.org>

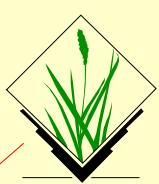
► Start QGIS within GRASS terminal:  
`qgis`

```
neteler@dandre: /home/neteler - Befehlsfenster 3 - Konsole
Sitzung Bearbeiten Ansicht Lesezeichen Einstellungen Hilfe
Welcome to GRASS 6.1.cvs (2006)
GRASS homepage: http://grass.itc.it/
This version running thru: Bash Shell (/bin/bash)
Help is available with the command: g.manual -i
See the licence terms with: g.version -c
Start the graphical user interface with: gis.m &
When ready to quit enter: exit
GRASS 6.1.cvs (spearfish60):~ > qgis
```



# QGIS: further key functionality





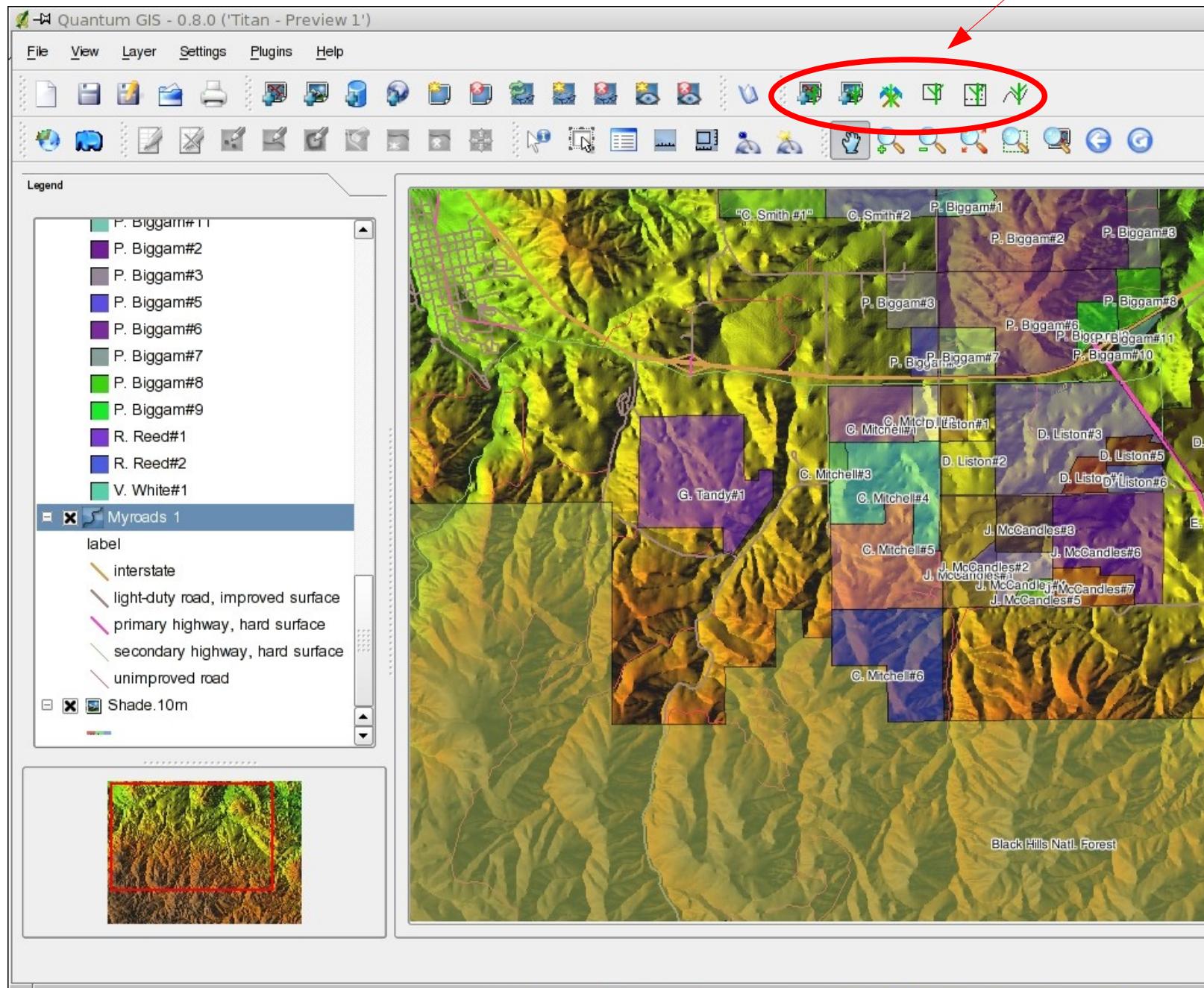
# New GRASS user interface: QGIS

## Excercise:

Please reproduce this map view!

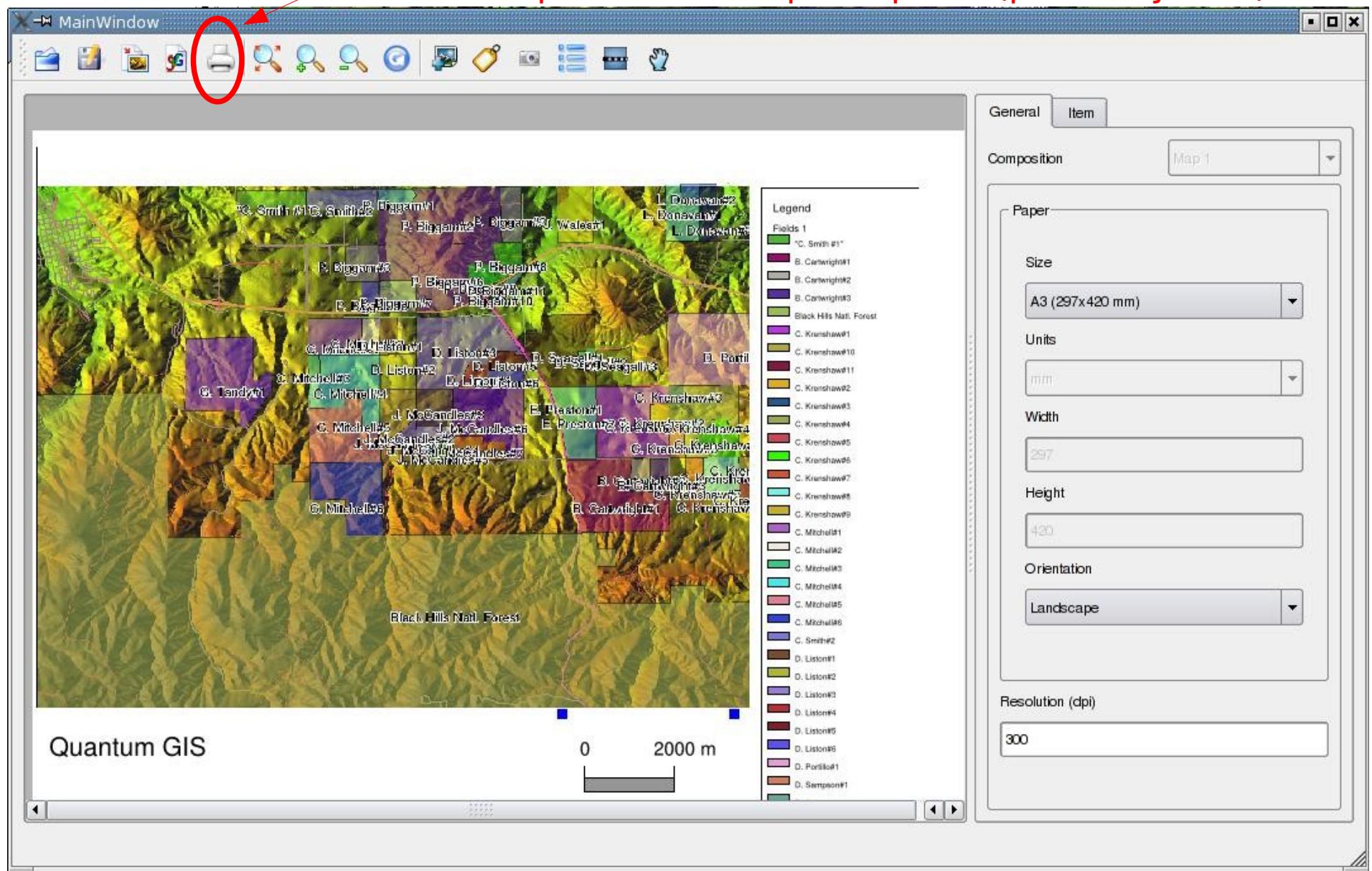
Raster:  
- elevation.dem  
- aspect

Vector:  
- roads  
- fields



# QGIS map composer: prepare map with layout

Transfer map view into map composer (printer symbol)



Creating a paper map for printing or saving into a file (SVG, PNG, Postscript)

# QGIS: further key functionality

WMS viz.

Vector map visualization  
Raster map viz.  
PostGIS map viz.

Map query  
Vector object selection  
Attribute table

The screenshot displays the QGIS 0.8.0 interface with several key features highlighted:

- WMS viz.:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the "File" menu and the WMS icon in the toolbar.
- Vector map visualization:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the Vector layer management icons in the toolbar.
- Raster map viz.:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the Raster layer management icons in the toolbar.
- PostGIS map viz.:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the PostGIS layer management icons in the toolbar.
- Map query:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the selection and attribute table tools in the toolbar.
- Vector object selection:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the selection tools in the toolbar.
- Attribute table:** Indicated by red arrows pointing to the attribute table tool in the toolbar.

The main window shows a 3D terrain visualization with various land parcels labeled with names like "P. Biggam#1" through "L. Donavan#3". A legend on the left side defines these labels and other map elements such as roads and boundaries. A small inset map is visible at the bottom left.

# QGIS: GRASS toolbox

GRASS toolbox

The screenshot illustrates the QGIS interface with the GRASS toolbox integrated. A red arrow points to the 'GRASS toolbox' icon in the top toolbar.

**Left Panel (GRASS Modules):**

- Import:**
  - Import OGR/PostGIS vector layer
  - Import GDAL raster layer
- Vector overlay:**
  - Vector union
  - Vector intersection
  - Vector subtraction
  - Vector non-intersection
- Buffer:**
  - Vector buffer
  - Raster buffer
- Extract features from vector:**
  - Select features overlapped by features
  - Select features by attributes
  - Extract selected features
- Delaunay triangulation, Voronoi diagram and convex hull:**
  - Delaunay triangulation (lines)
  - Delaunay triangulation (areas)

**Right Panel (GRASS Tools Browser):**

**Mapset Structure:**

- gaban
- modis\_test
- neteler
- PERMANENT
- pg
- sqlite
- timeseries
- user1** (selected)
  - raster
    - allarea.one
    - area.one
    - aspect.10m
    - b
    - basin
    - b\_rad.075** (selected)
    - b\_rad.076
    - b\_rad.077
    - b\_rad.078

**Layer Properties for b\_rad.075:**

| Raster           | b_rad.075                                       |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Rows             | 477                                             |
| Columns          | 634                                             |
| N-S resolution   | 30                                              |
| E-W resolution   | 30                                              |
| North            | 4.92801e+06                                     |
| South            | 4.9137e+06                                      |
| East             | 609000                                          |
| West             | 589980                                          |
| Format           | floating point (4 bytes)                        |
| Minimum value    | 147.599                                         |
| Maximum value    | 6607.84                                         |
| Data description | generated by r.sun                              |
| Comments         | Day [1-365]: 75<br>Solar constant (W/m^2): 1367 |

# QGIS-GRASS Exercises: Noise impact 1/4

## 1) Simple noise impact map:

Extract interstate (highway) from *roads* vector map into new map and buffer interstate for 3km in each direction

*GRASS commands:*

a) *first look at the table to get column name and ID of interstate:*  
*v.db.select roads*

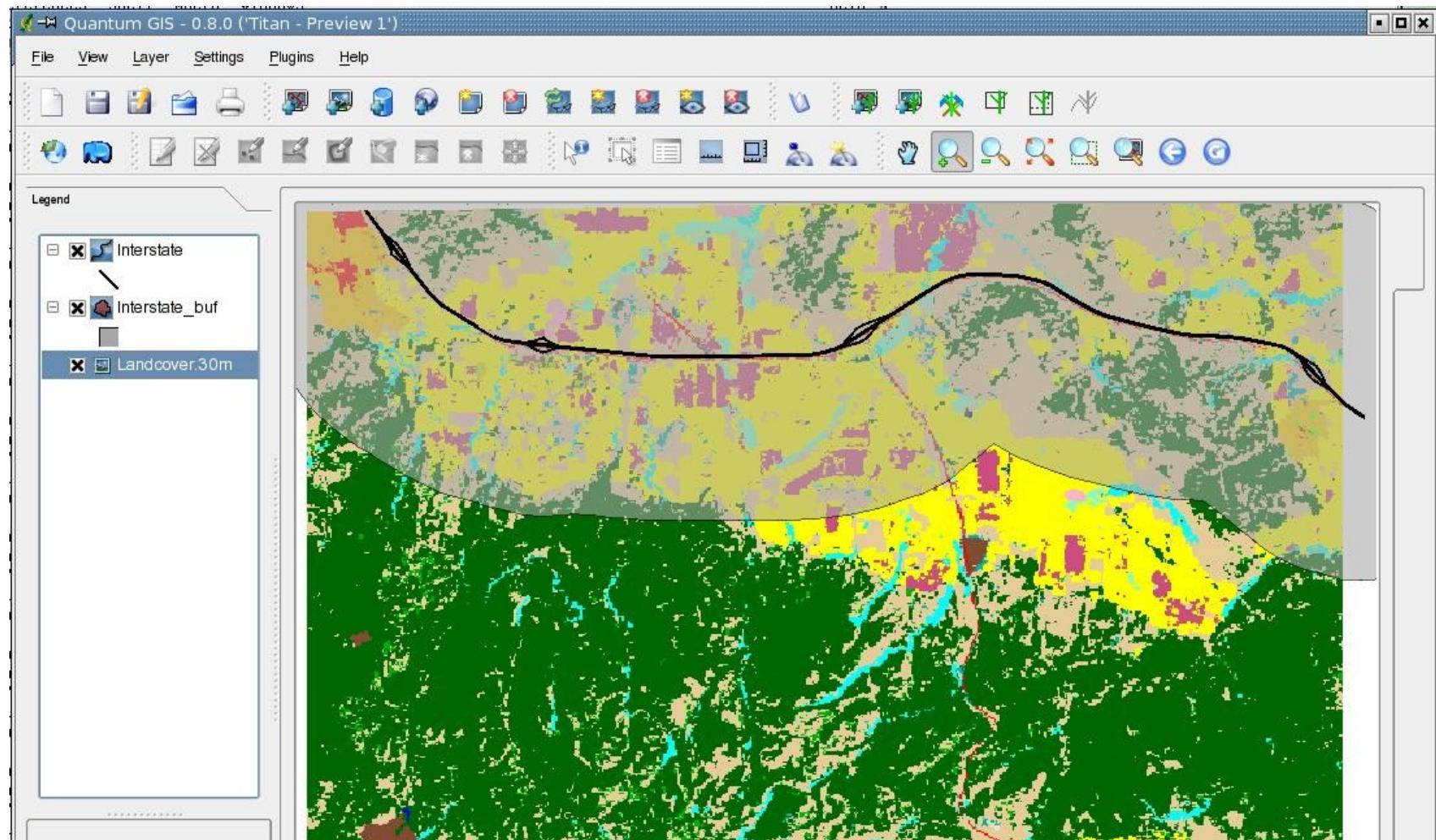
b) *we extract only 'interstate' (cat = 1, cat is the GRASS standard column name for ID):*  
*v.extract in=roads out=interstate where="cat = 1"*

c) *we buffer the interstate (give buffer in map units which is meters here):*  
*v.buffer interstate out=interstate\_buf3000 buffer=3000*

# QGIS-GRASS Exercises: Noise impact 2/4

2) Verify affected areas:

Look at *landcover.30m* raster map,  
overlay extracted *interstate*  
and overlay *buffered interstate\_buf3000* (use transparency to make it nice)

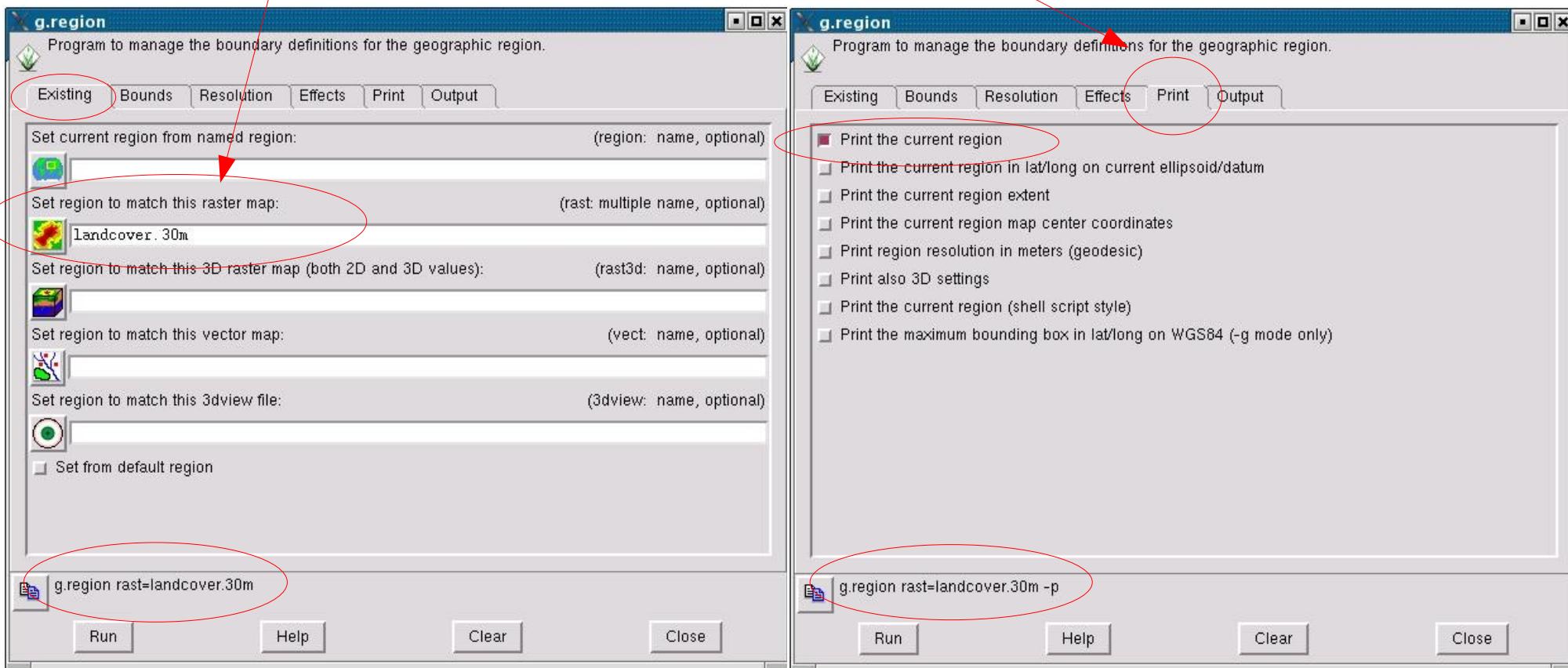


# Info: Command line versus graphical user interface

On the next slide we either use the following command line:

```
# set current region to landcover map, '-p' prints the settings:  
g.region rast=landcover.30m -p
```

or these settings in the graphical user interface:



# QGIS-GRASS Exercises: Noise impact 3/4

## How to get statistics on influenced landcover-landuse units?

-> needs generalization of original *landcover.30m* map (originates from satellite map)

Approach 1:

**Raster based generalization:** “mode” operator in moving window

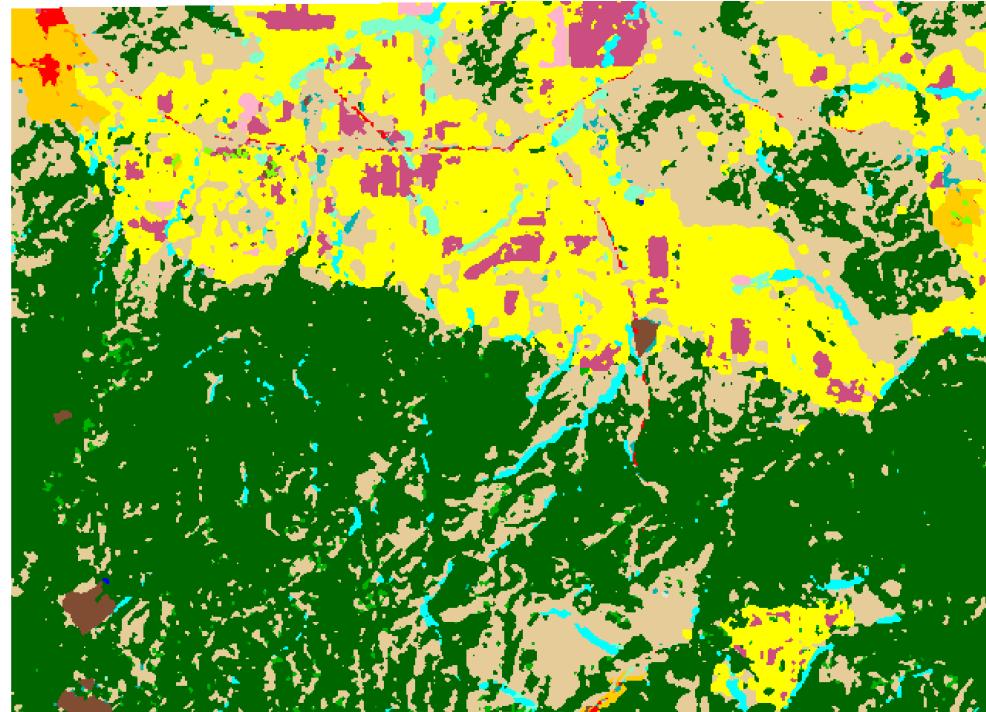
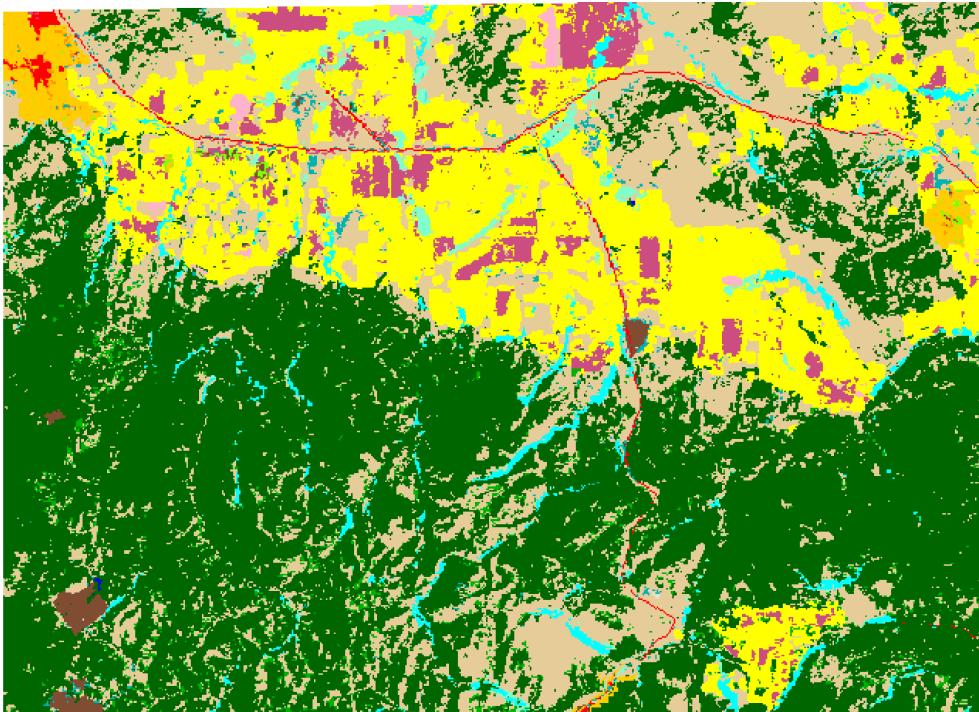
# set current region to landcover map, '-p' prints the settings:

g.region rast=*landcover.30m* -p

r.neighbors in=*landcover.30m* out=*landcover.smooth* method=mode size=3



3x3 moving window



# QGIS-GRASS Exercises: Noise impact 4/4

## ... Generalization cont'ed:

Approach 2:

**Vector based generalization:** “rmarea” tool: merges small areas into bigger a.

# zoom to map:

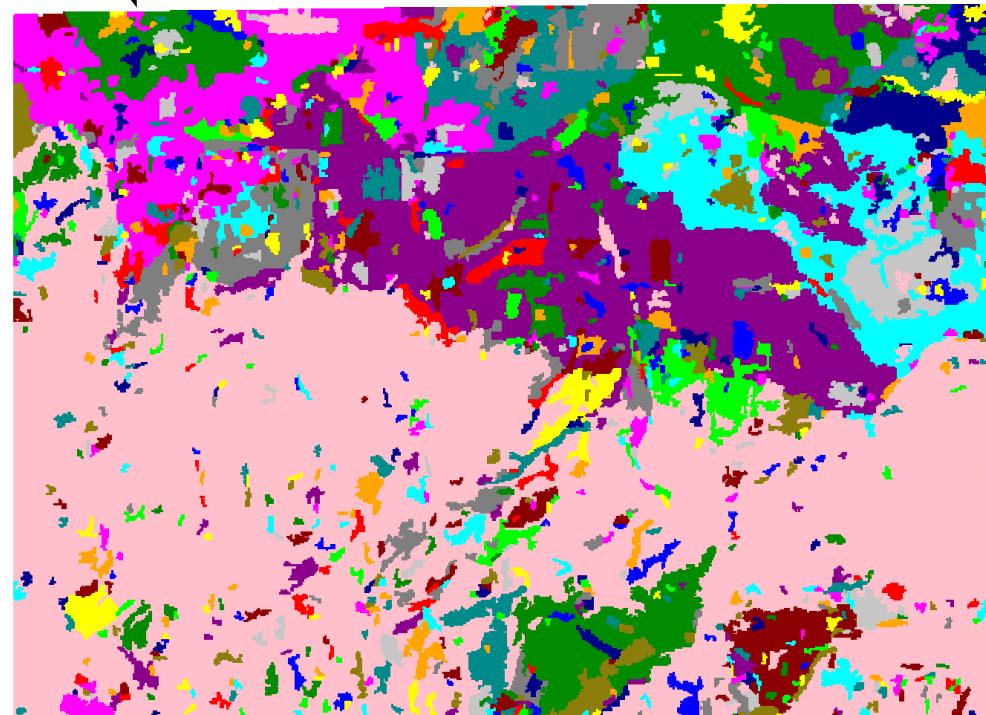
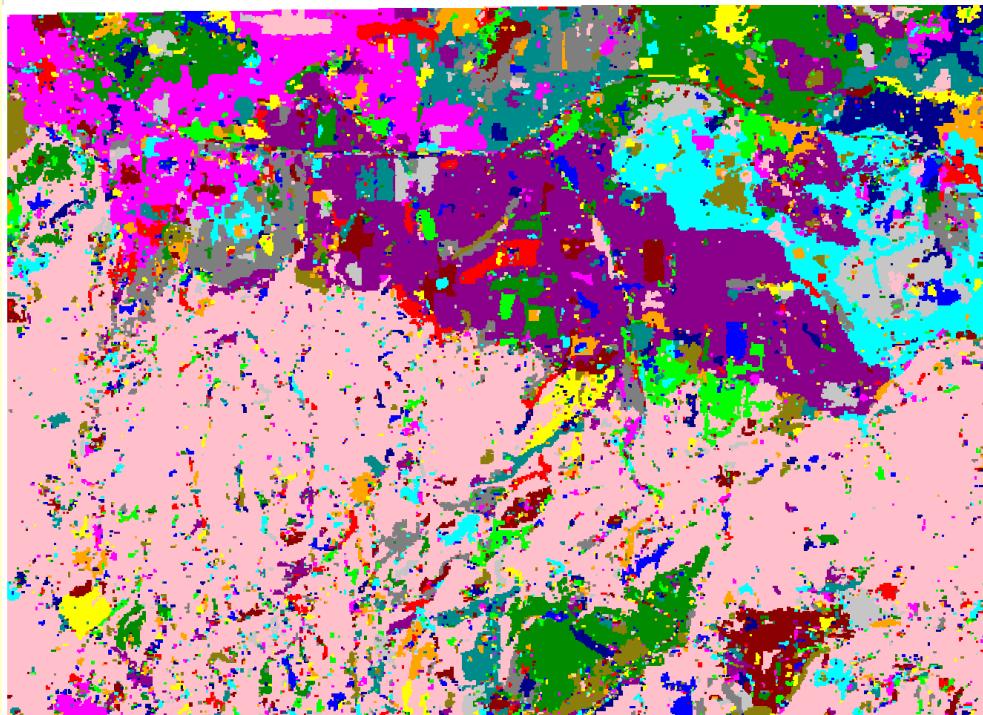
```
g.region rast=landcover.30m -p
```

# raster to vector conversion:

```
r.to.vect in=landcover.30m out=landcover_30m f=area
```

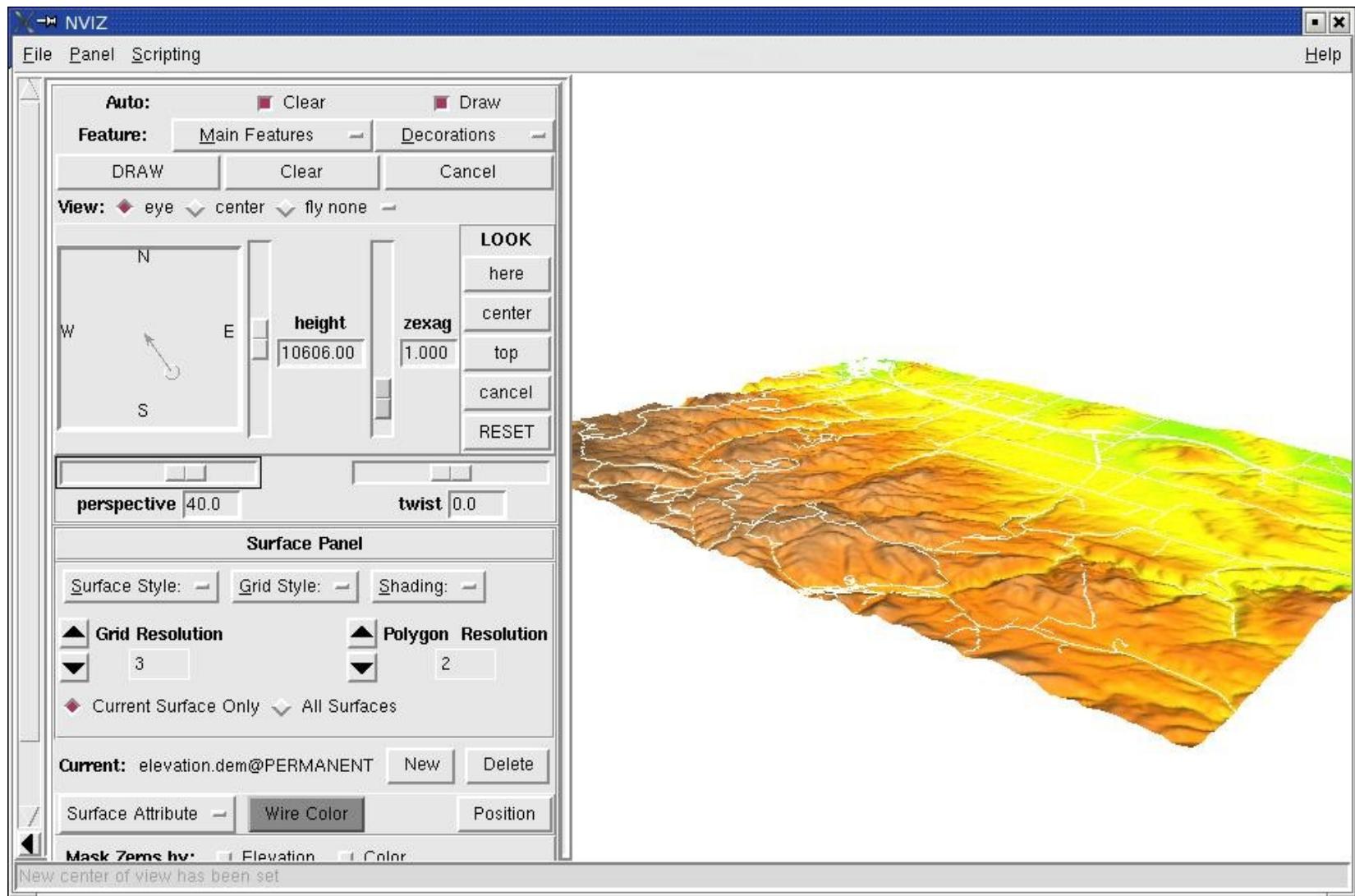
# filter perimeter of 3x3 pixels ( threshold=(30 \* 3)^2 = 8100)

```
v.clean in=landcover_30m out=landcover_30m_gen tool=rmarea thresh=8100
```



# Perspective view of maps

nviz el=elevation.dem vect=roads



# GRASS: Geographic Resources Analysis Support System

## Location and Mapset: “GRASS speech”

**Database:** contains all GRASS data

Each GRASS project is organized in a „Location“ directory with subsequent „Mapset(s)“ subdirectories:

**Location:** contains all spatial/attribute data of a geographically defined region (= project area)

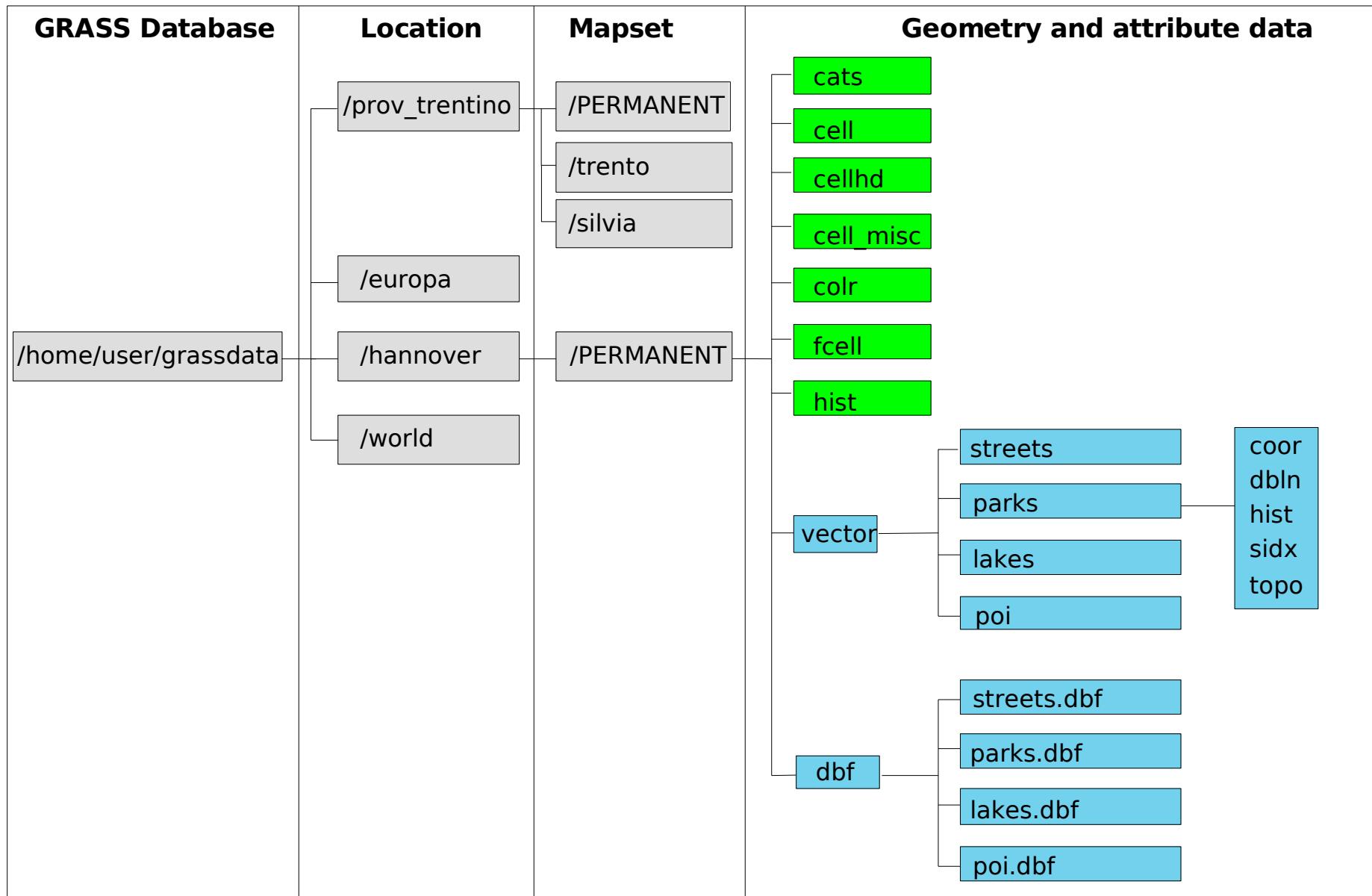
**Mapset(s):** used to subdivide data organization e.g. by user names, subregions or access rights (workgroups)

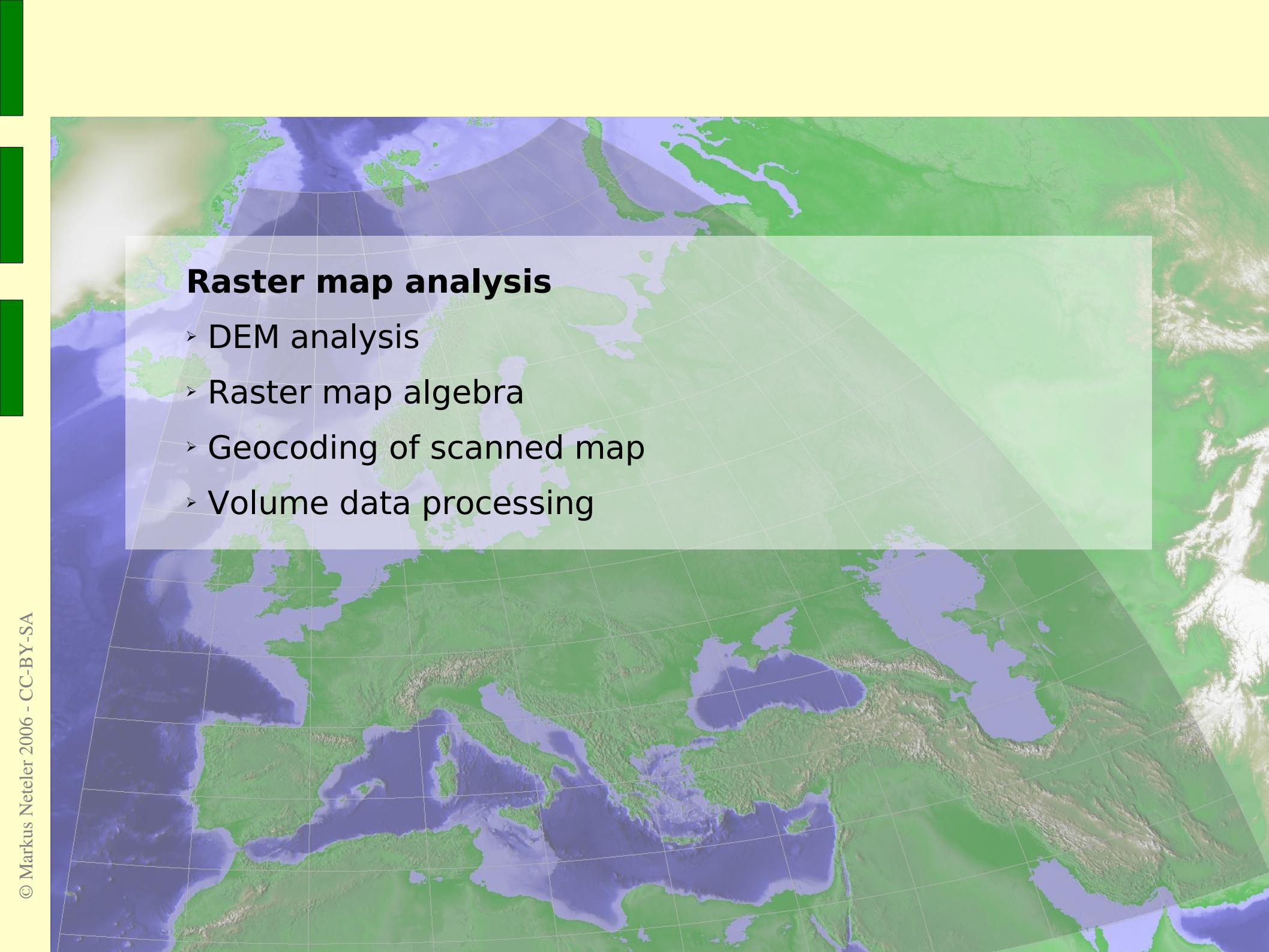
**PERMANENT:** The PERMANENT mapset is a standard mapset which contains the definitions of a location. May also contain general cartography as it is visible to all users

**Multi-User** support: multiple users can work in a **single location** using different mapsets. Access rights can be managed per user. No user can modify/delete data of other users.

# GRASS: Geographic Resources Analysis Support System

## Example for Location and Mapsets





## Raster map analysis

- DEM analysis
- Raster map algebra
- Geocoding of scanned map
- Volume data processing

# GRASS Command Classes

| Prefix Class | Functionality |                                                     |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| d.*          | display       | graphical output (screen)                           |
| r.*          | raster        | raster data processing                              |
| r3.*         | raster3D      | raster voxel 3D data processing                     |
| i.*          | imagery       | image processing                                    |
| v.*          | vector        | vector data processing                              |
| g.*          | general       | general file operations (copy, rename of maps, ...) |
| m.*          | misc          | miscellaneous commands                              |
| ps.*         | postscript    | map creation in Postscript format                   |

# Raster data analysis: Slope and aspect from DEM

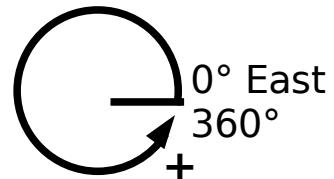
- Calculating slope and aspect from a DEM

```
# First we reset the current GRASS region settings to the input map:  
g.region rast=elevation.10m -p
```

```
r.slope.aspect el=elevation.10m as=aspect.10m sl=slope.10m
```

```
d.rast aspect.10m
```

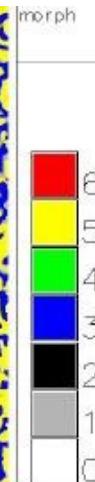
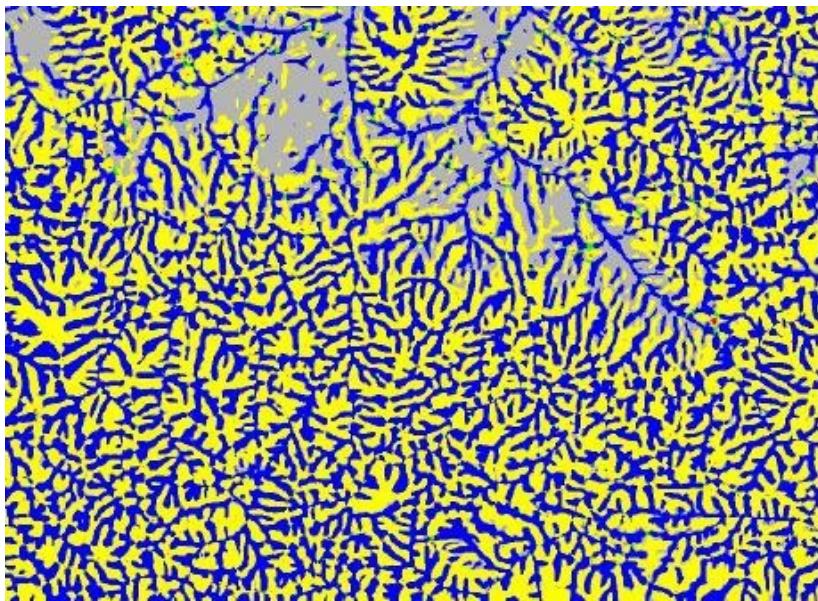
```
d.rast.leg slope.10m
```



- Note: horizontal angles are counted counterclockwise from the East
- Slopes are calculated by default in degrees
- Also curvatures can be calculated

# Raster data analysis: Geomorphology

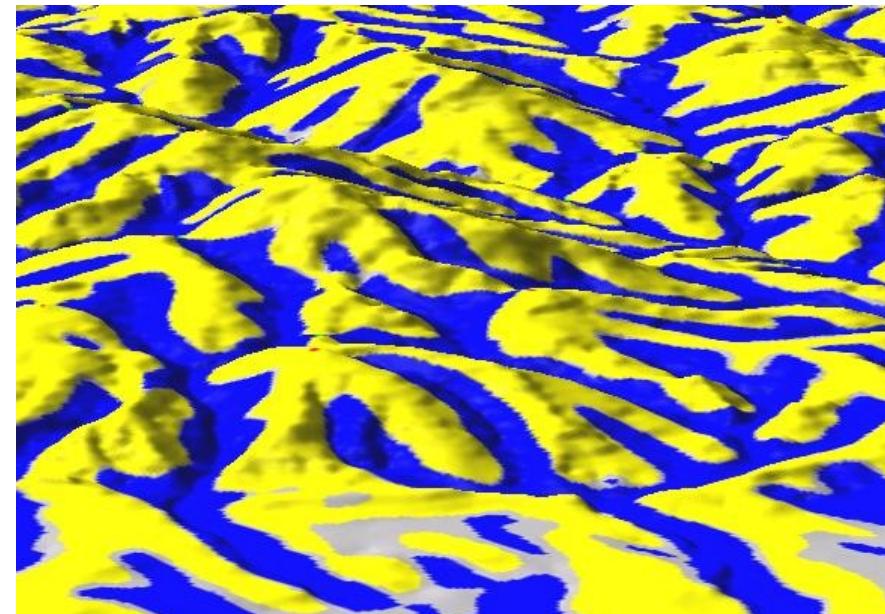
## DEM: r.param.scale



Spearfish DEM: 10m  
Moving window size: 25x25

```
# set region/resolution to the input map:  
g.region rast=elevation.10m -p  
  
# generalize with size parameter  
r.param.scale elevation.10m out=morph \  
param=feature size=25  
  
# with legend  
d.rast.leg morph  
  
# view with aspect/shade map (or QGIS)  
d.his h=morph i=aspect.10m
```

nviz elev=elevation.10m col=morph



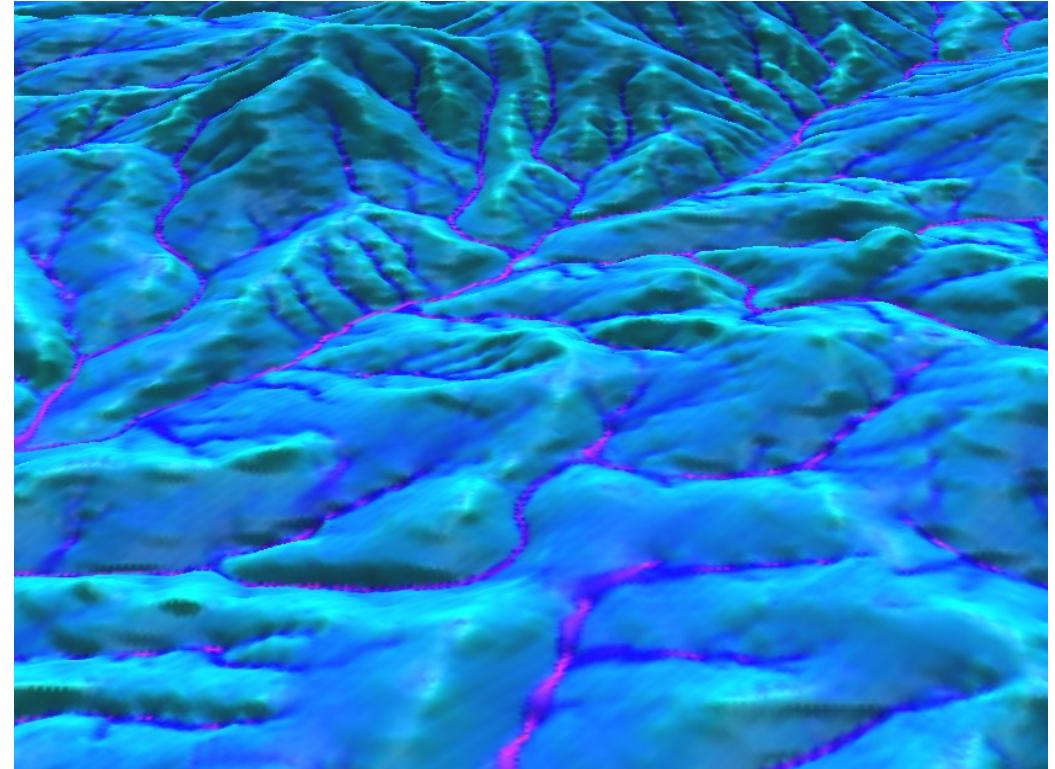
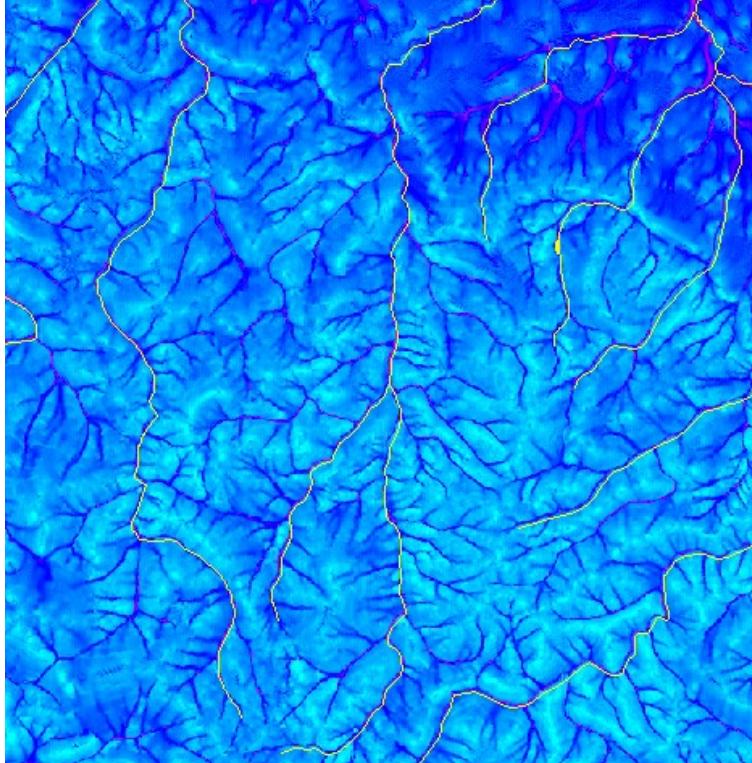
# Raster data analysis: Water flows - Contributing area

## Topographic Index: $\ln(a/\tan(\beta))$

```
g.region rast=elevation.10m -p  
r.topidx in=elevation.10m out=ln_a_tanB
```

```
d.rast ln_a_tanB  
d.vect streams col=yellow  
# ... the old vector stream map nicely deviates from the newer USGS DEM
```

```
nviz elevation.10m col=ln_a_tanB
```



# Raster data analysis: further methods

- Additional DEM analysis modules:
  - depression areas can be filled with **r.fill.dir**
  - flowlines can be calculated with **r.flow**
  - trace a flow through a DEM: **r.drain**
  - watershed analysis can be done with **r.watershed** and **r.terraflow**
  - cost surfaces: **r.cost**
- Energy:
  - cast shadows, astronomical calculations of sun position: **r.sunmask**
  - energy budget: **r.sun**
- Line of sight:
  - viewsheds can be generated with: **r.los**
- Interpolation methods
  - 2D inverse distance weighted: **v.surf.idw**
  - 2D from contour lines: **r.surf.contour**
  - 2D bilinear: **r.bilinear**
  - 2D regularized splines with tension (with cross validation): **v.surf.rst**
  - 3D regularized splines with tension (with cross validation): **v.vol.rst**
  - 2D/3D kernel densities: **v.kernel**
- via R-stats: kriging, predictive models etc

# Raster map algebra

- A powerful raster map algebra calculator is **r.mapcalc**  
See for functionality:

g.manual r.mapcalc &

- With a simple formula we filter all pixels with elevation higher than 1500m from the Spearfish DEM:

```
r.mapcalc "elev_1500 = if(elevation.dem > 1500.0, elevation.dem, null())"  
d.rast elev_1500
```

d.rast aspect

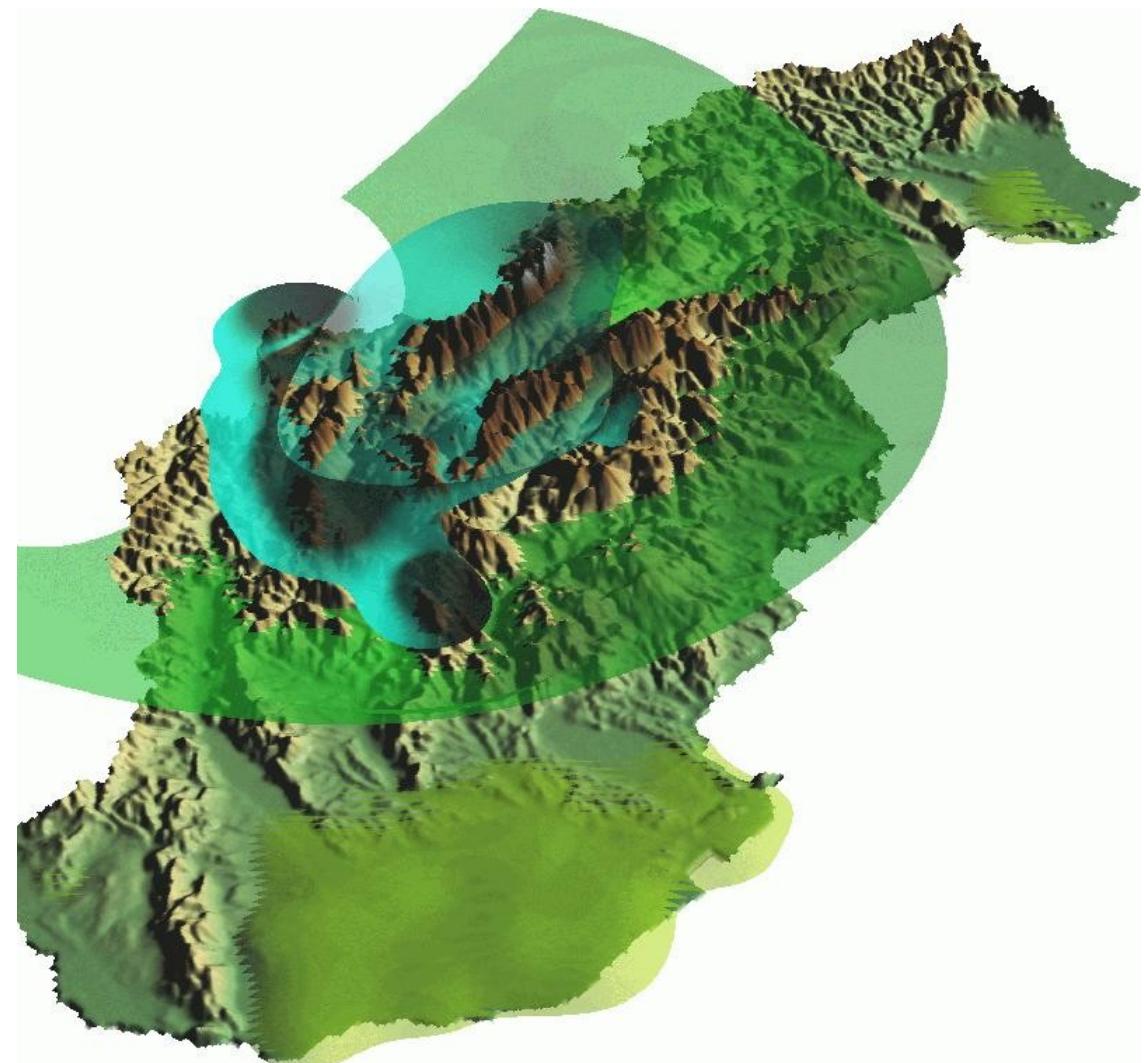
d.rast -o elev\_1500

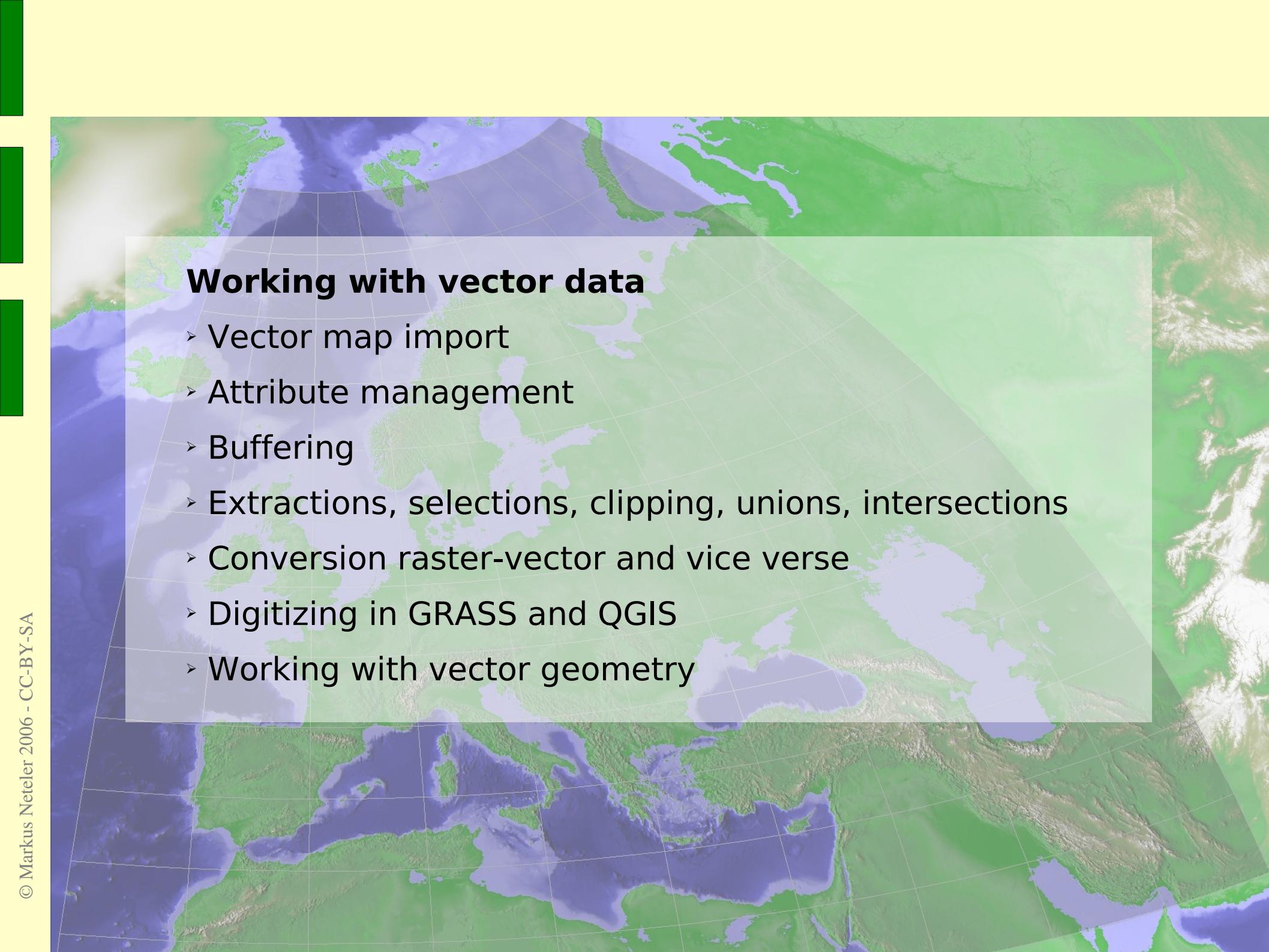
# Volume map processing: Demo

GRASS was enhanced to process and visualize Volumes  
(consisting of 3D voxels)

Functionality:

- 3D import/export
- 3D Regularized Splines with Tension interpolation
- 3D map algebra
- NVIZ volume visualization: Isosurfaces and Profiles





## **Working with vector data**

- Vector map import
- Attribute management
- Buffering
- Extractions, selections, clipping, unions, intersections
- Conversion raster-vector and vice versa
- Digitizing in GRASS and QGIS
- Working with vector geometry

# GRASS 6 Vector data

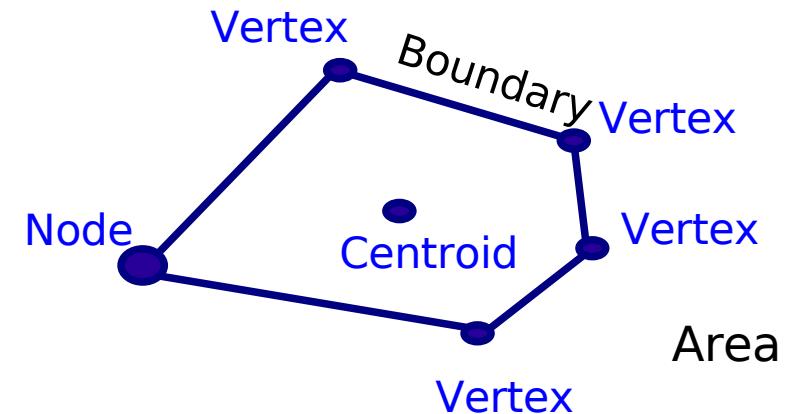
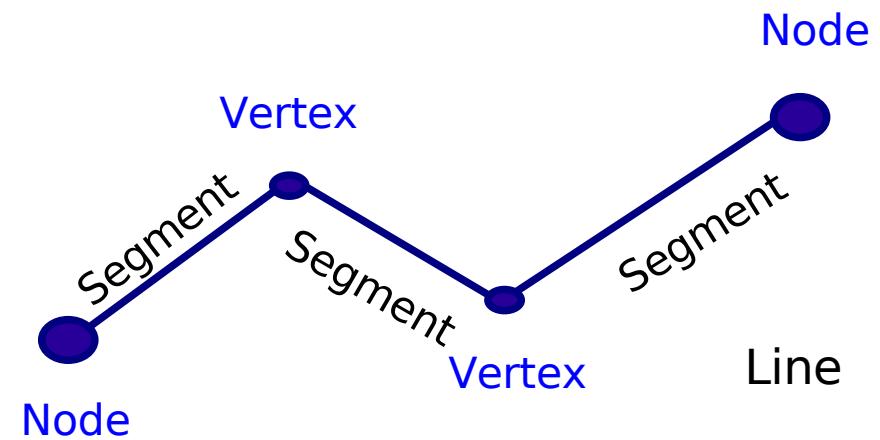
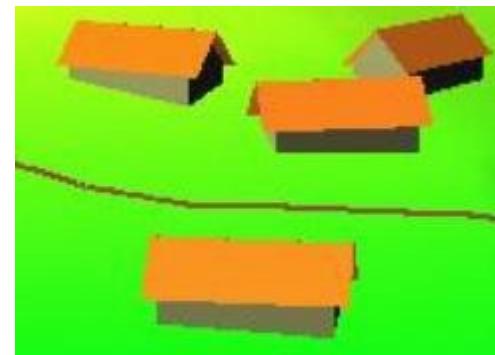
## Vector geometry types

- Point
- Centroid
- Line
- Boundary
- Area (boundary + centroid)
- face (3D area)
- [kernel (3D centroid)]
- [volumes (faces + kernel)]

Geometry is **true** 3D: x, y, z



Faces



# Raster-Vector conversion – extraction 1/2

## Extraction of residential areas from raster landuse map

# set current region to map; look at the landuse/landcover map with legend:

```
g.region rast=landcover.30m -p
```

```
d.erase
```

```
d.rast.leg -n landcover.30m
```

# Automated vectorization of the landuse/landcover map:

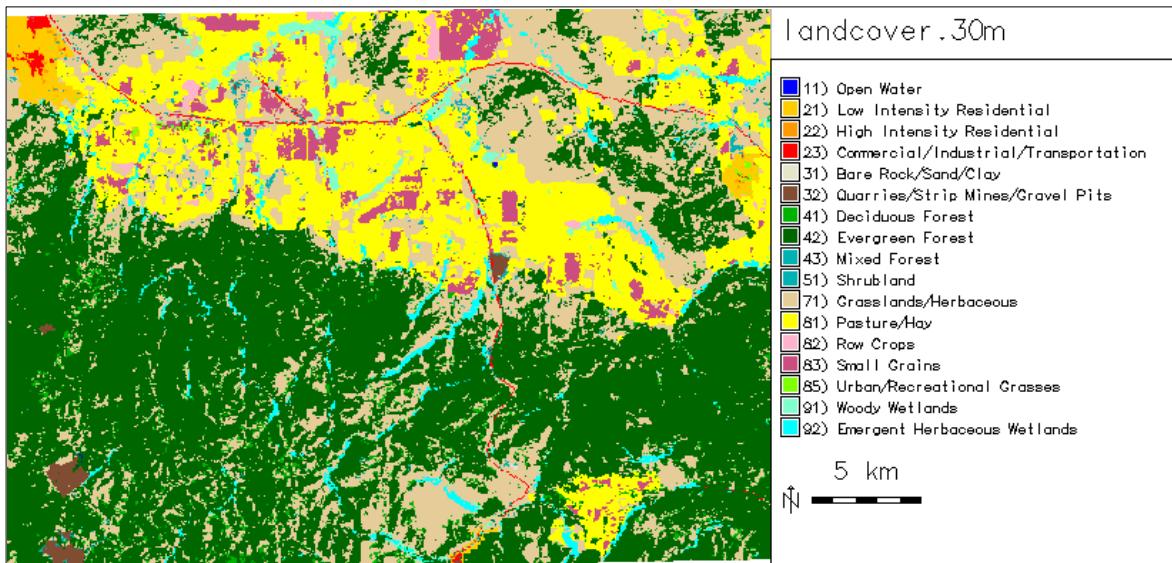
```
r.to.vect -s landcover.30m out=landcover30m feature=area
```

# see attribute table ('-p' prints the current connection between vector

# geometry and attribute table – note that GRASS can link to various DBMS):

```
v.db.connect -p landcover30m      # ... will tell you that it is a DBF table
```

```
v.db.select landcover30m
```



# Raster-Vector conversion – extraction 2/2

## Extraction of residential areas from raster landuse map

```
# generate list of unique landuse/landcover types from text legend output:  
v.db.select landcover30m | sort -t '|' -k2 -n -u
```

```
#display selected categories:
```

```
d.erase  
d.vect landcover30m \  
where="value=21 or value=22" \  
fcol=orange
```

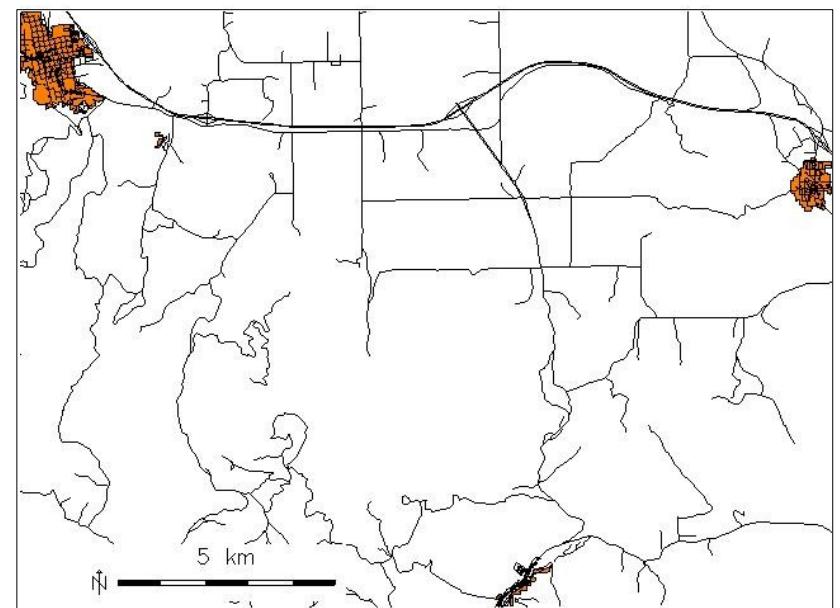
This pipe '|' character is a nice way of combining Unix commands. The output of the first command is sent into the second and so forth...

sort is here sorting by second column on numbers (-n) and extracts unique (-u) rows only

```
# Extract residential area into a new vector map:
```

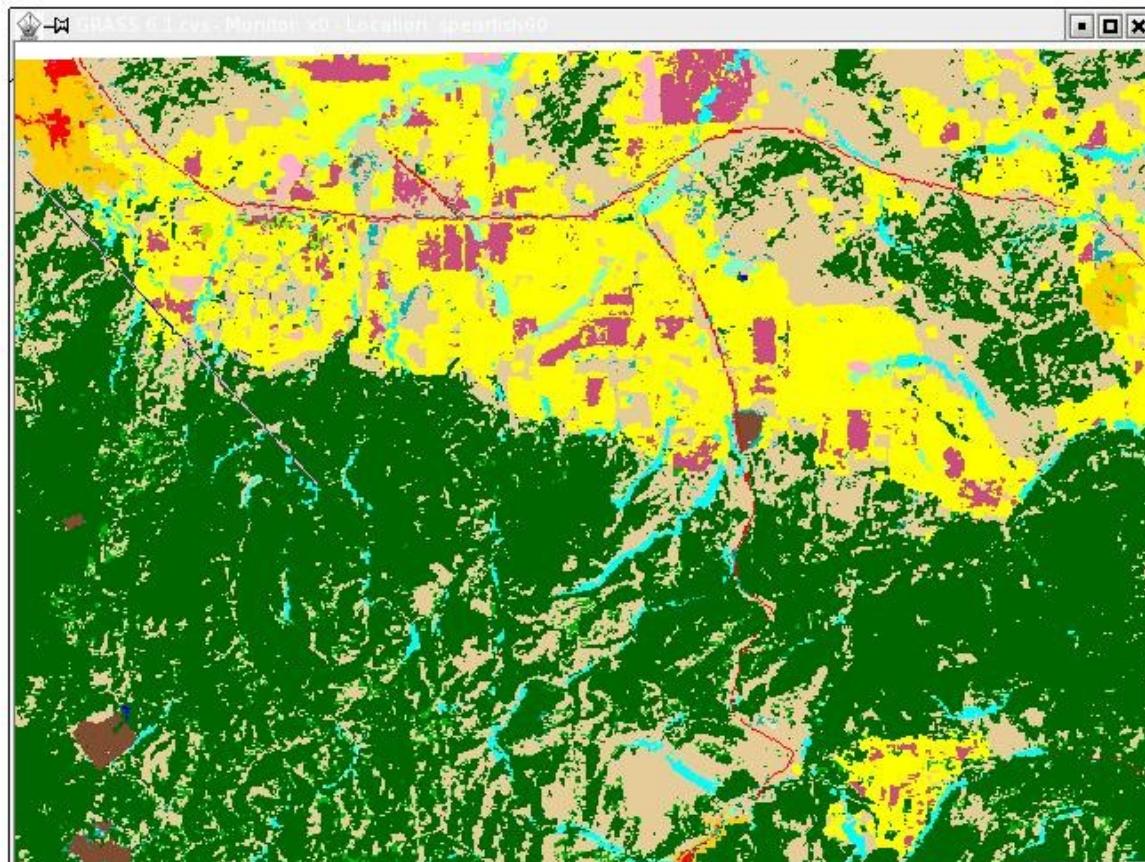
```
v.extract landcover30m out=residential where="value=21 or value=22"
```

```
d.frame -e  
d.vect residential fcol=orange \  
type=area  
d.vect roads  
d.barscale -mt
```



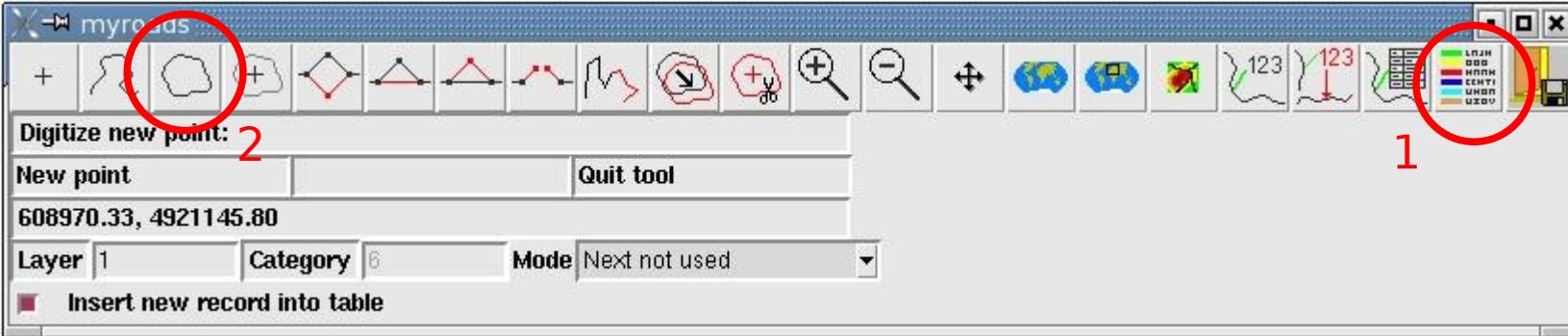
# Creating/modifying vector maps

## Digitizing in GRASS



```
g.region rast=landcover.30m -p  
v.digit -n map=cities \  
bg="d.rast landcover.30m"
```

1. define table  
set snapping threshold
2. start digitizing



**Alternative:**  
*QGIS digitizer!*

# Vector map clipping

## Selection example: Roads in urban areas

```
# display roads and residential areas:
```

```
d.erase
```

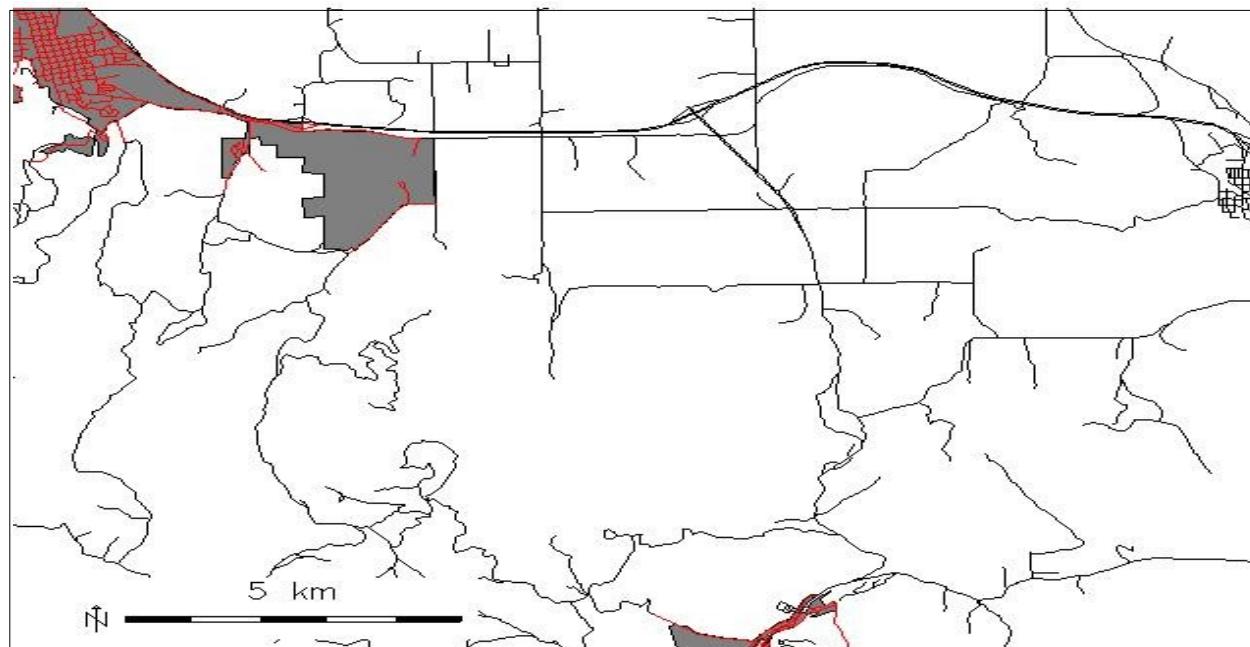
```
d.vect roads
```

```
d.vect residential
```

```
# extract all roads within the urban areas:
```

```
v.select ain=roads bin=residential out=urban_roads
```

```
d.vect urban_roads col=red
```



# GRASS: Geographic Resources Analysis Support System

## Changing vector types

In GRASS an **area** polygon is defined by a boundary + a centroid.

**Lines** can be a (poly)line or a boundary.

Vector types can be changed by **v.type/v.build.polyline** such as

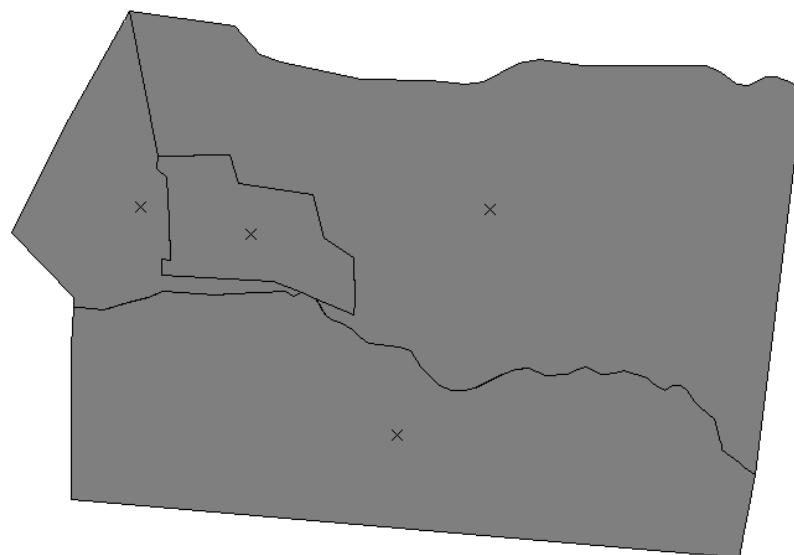
point      ↔      centroid

3D point    ↔    kernel (3D centroid)

line        ↔      polyline

line        ↔      boundary

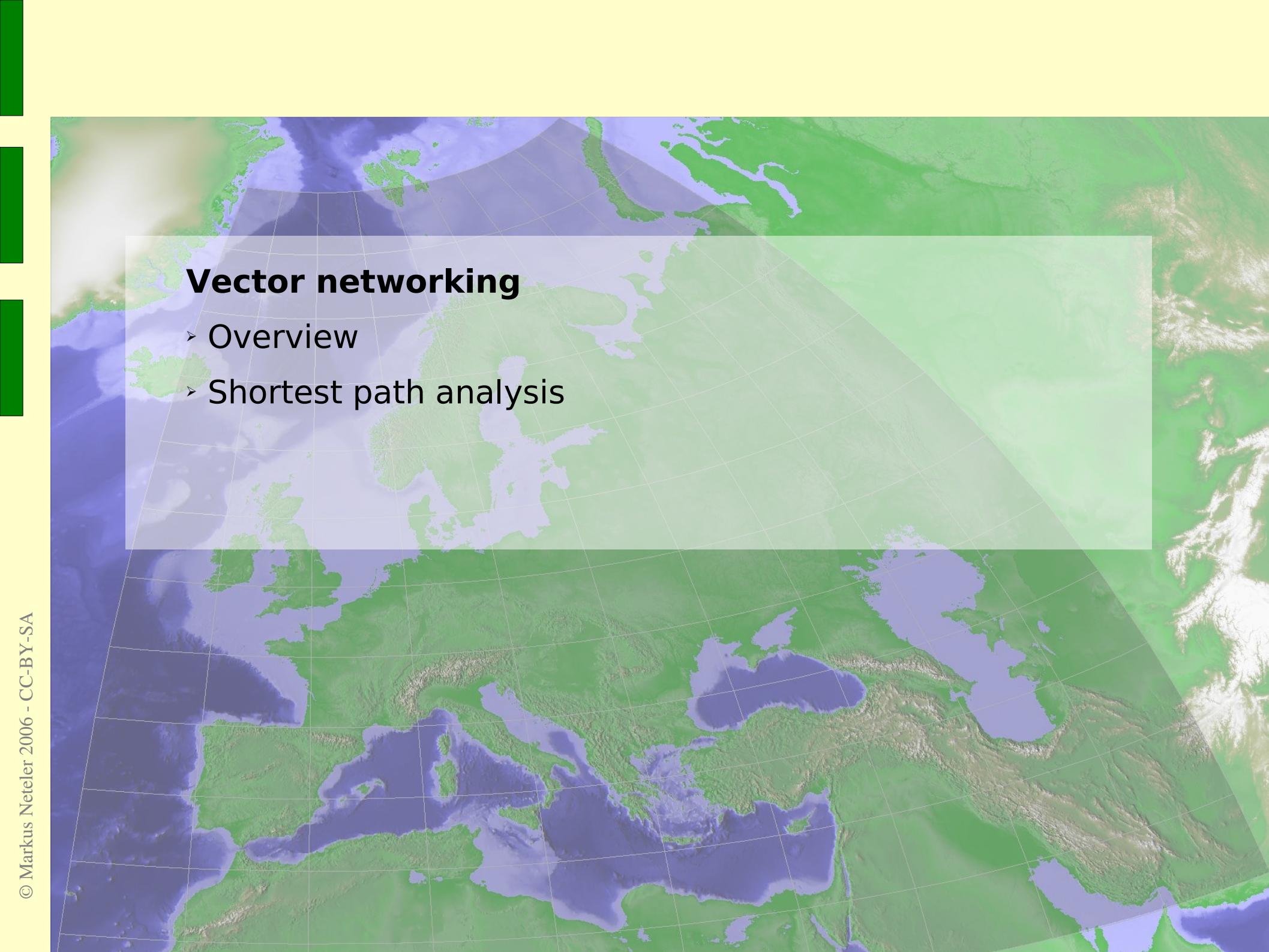
3D area    ↔      face



Boundaries + centroids



Lines + centroids



## **Vector networking**

- › Overview
- › Shortest path analysis

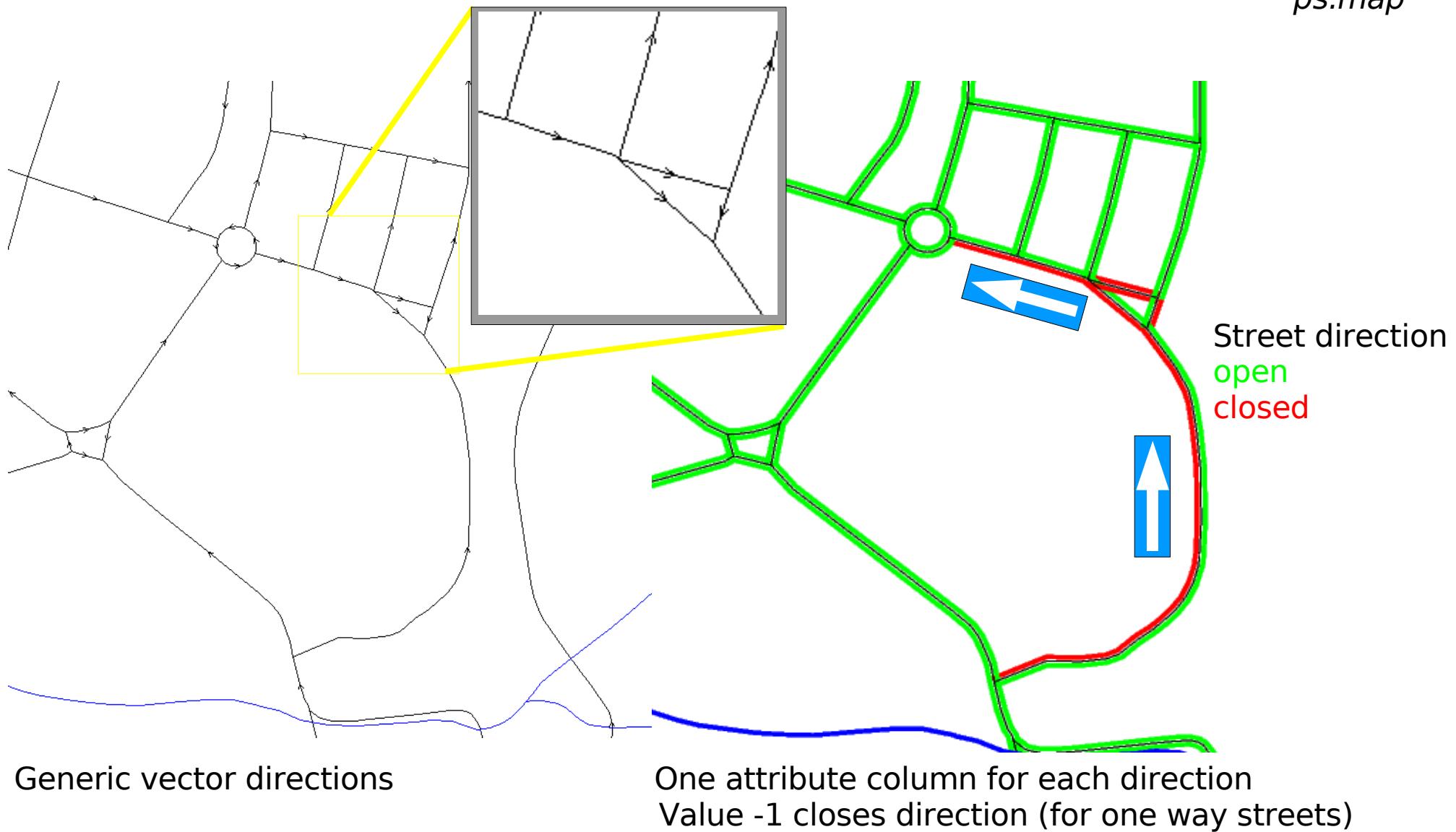
# Vector network analysis methods

Available methods:

- find **shortest path** along vector network - *road navigation*
- find optimal round trip visiting selected nodes  
**(Traveling salesman problem)** - *delivering of goods*
- find optimal connection between nodes  
**(Minimum Steiner tree)** - *ADSL network*
- subdivide a network in subnetworks  
**(iso distances)** - *how far can I go from a node in all directions*
- find subnetworks for set of nodes  
**(subnet allocation)** - “catchment area” for fire brigade etc

# Vector network analysis methods

## Vector network with one way roads

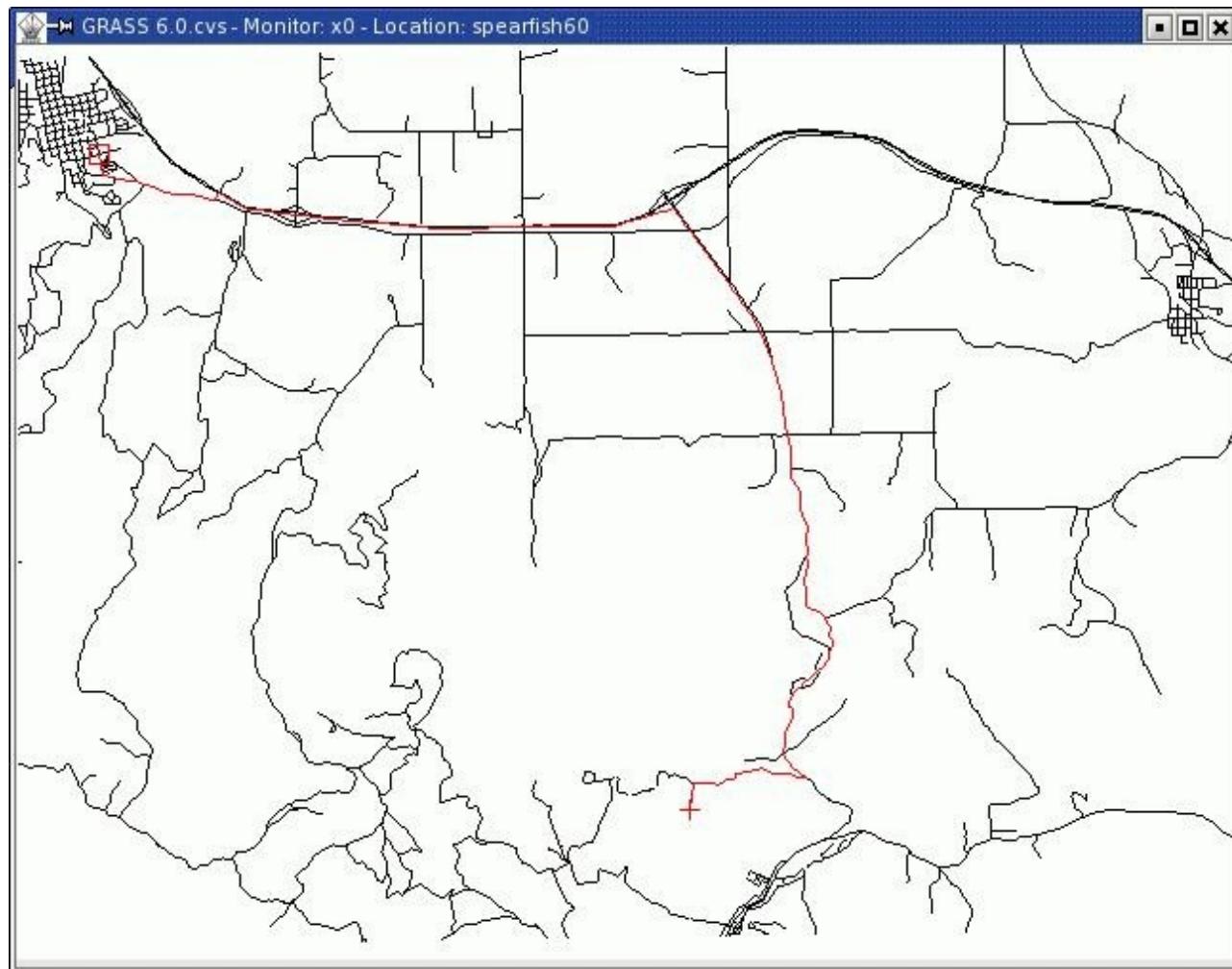


# Vector networking

Shortest path with **d.path**

**d.vect** roads  
**d.path** roads

# or:  
**# v.net.path**



*Further vector network exercises:*

[http://mpa.itc.it/corso\\_dit2004/grass04\\_4\\_vector\\_network\\_neteler.pdf](http://mpa.itc.it/corso_dit2004/grass04_4_vector_network_neteler.pdf)

## **Working with own data - Import/Export/Creating Locations**

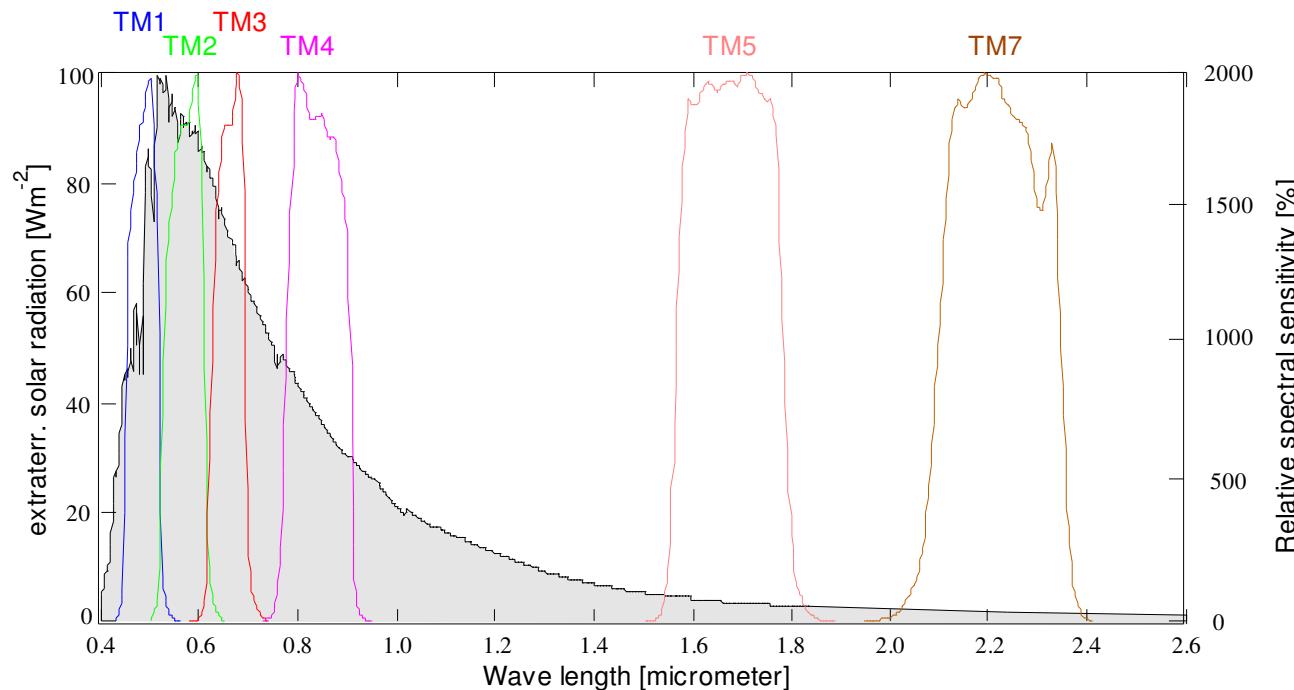
- Import of LANDSAT-7 data
- Creating a new location external data files
- Creating from EPSG code/interactively a new location



# Import of LANDSAT-7 Erdas/Img raster maps 1/2

- A LANDSAT-7 scene has been prepared (reprojected, spatially subset):
  - spearfish\_landsat7\_NAD27\_vis\_ir.img:  
*TM10, TM20, TM30 (blue, green, red), TM40 (NIR), TM50, TM70 (MIR)*
  - spearfish\_landsat7\_NAD27\_tir.img:  
*TM62 (TIR low gain), TM62 (TIR high gain)*
  - spearfish\_landsat7\_NAD27\_pan.img:  
*TM80 (panchromatic)*

Neteler/Mitasova 2002



Solar spectrum and LANDSAT channels (thermal channel 6 not shown)



# Import of LANDSAT-7 Erdas/Img raster maps 2/2

- The import is done with **r.in.gdal**:

```
r.in.gdal -e in=spearfish_landsat7_NAD27_vis_ir.img out=tm  
# To keep the numbering right, we rename tm.6 to the  
# correct number tm.7:  
g.rename rast=tm.6,tm.7
```

```
r.in.gdal -e in=spearfish_landsat7_NAD27_tir.img out=tm6
```

```
r.in.gdal -e in=spearfish_landsat7_NAD27_pan.img out=pan
```

- Generate a RGB composite on the fly (zoom to map first):

```
g.region rast=tm.1 -p  
d.rgb b=tm.1 g=tm.2 r=tm.3
```

You should see the Spearfish area in near-natural colors.

# Creating new GRASS locations

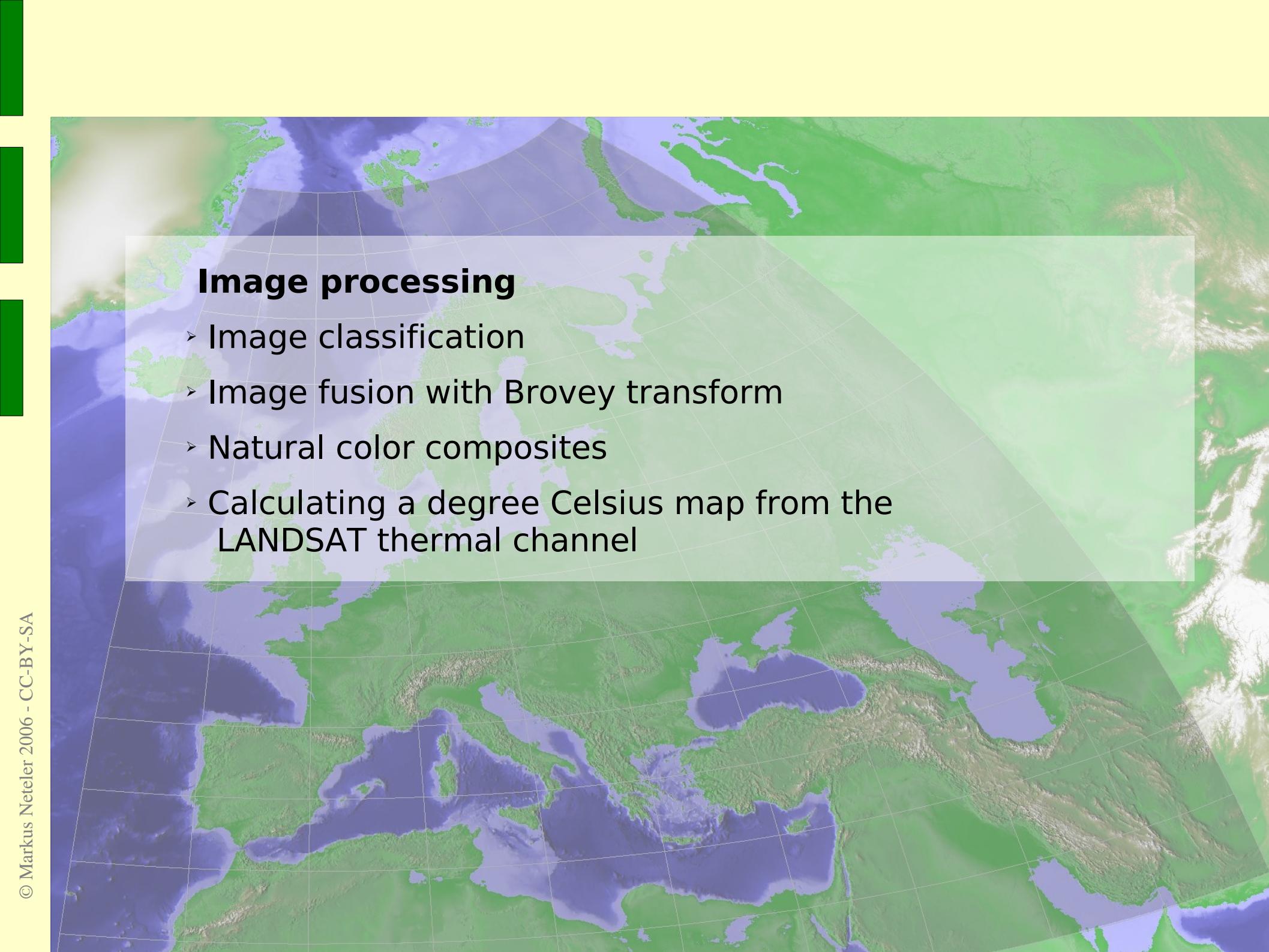
- Both **r.in.gdal** and **v.in.ogr** offer a **location=** parameter to create a new location from the import dataset's metadata

Example:

```
r.in.gdal -e in=spearfish_landsat7_NAD27_tir.img out=tm6 location=utm13
```

- Launching GRASS (again) permits to
  - create a new location from EPSG code
  - create a new location interactively
- See the workshop handout for details





## **Image processing**

- Image classification
- Image fusion with Brovey transform
- Natural color composites
- Calculating a degree Celsius map from the LANDSAT thermal channel

# Import of LANDSAT-7 Erdas/Img

## Image Classification

### Unsupervised & Supervised Image Classification

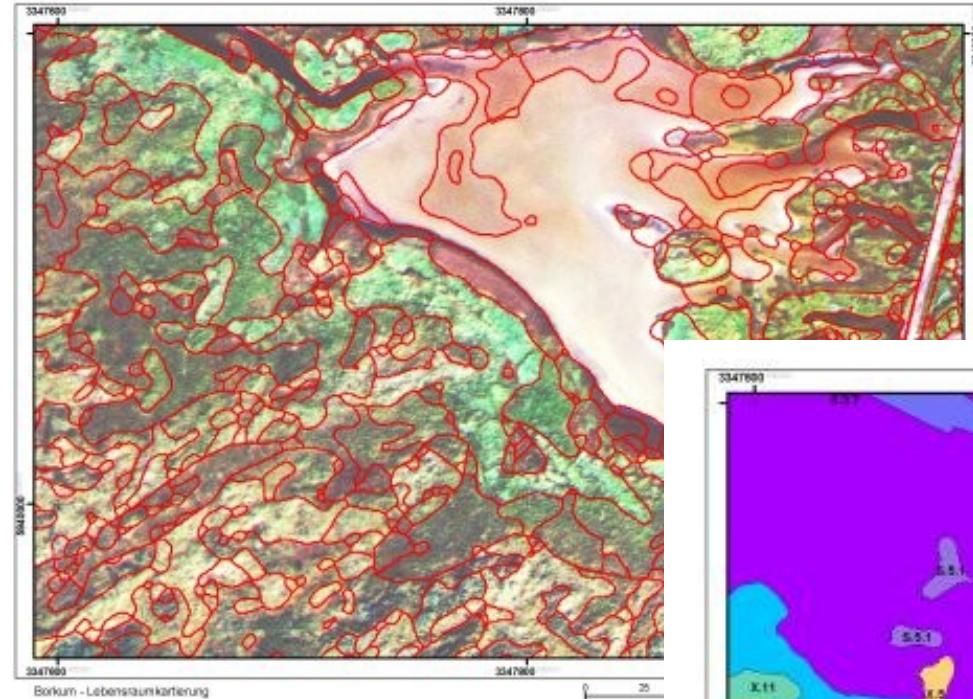
- › classification methods in GRASS:

|                              | radiometric,<br>unsupervised                    | radiometric, supervised                                 | radio- and geometric<br>supervised                    |                                                        |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Preprocessing<br>Computation | <code>i.cluster</code><br><code>i.maxlik</code> | <code>i.class</code> (monitor)<br><code>i.maxlik</code> | <code>i.gensig</code> (maps)<br><code>i.maxlik</code> | <code>i.gensigset</code> (maps)<br><code>i.smap</code> |

- › all image data must be first listed in a group (`i.group`)
- › See handout for unsupervised classification example

# GRASS: Geographic Resources Analysis Support System

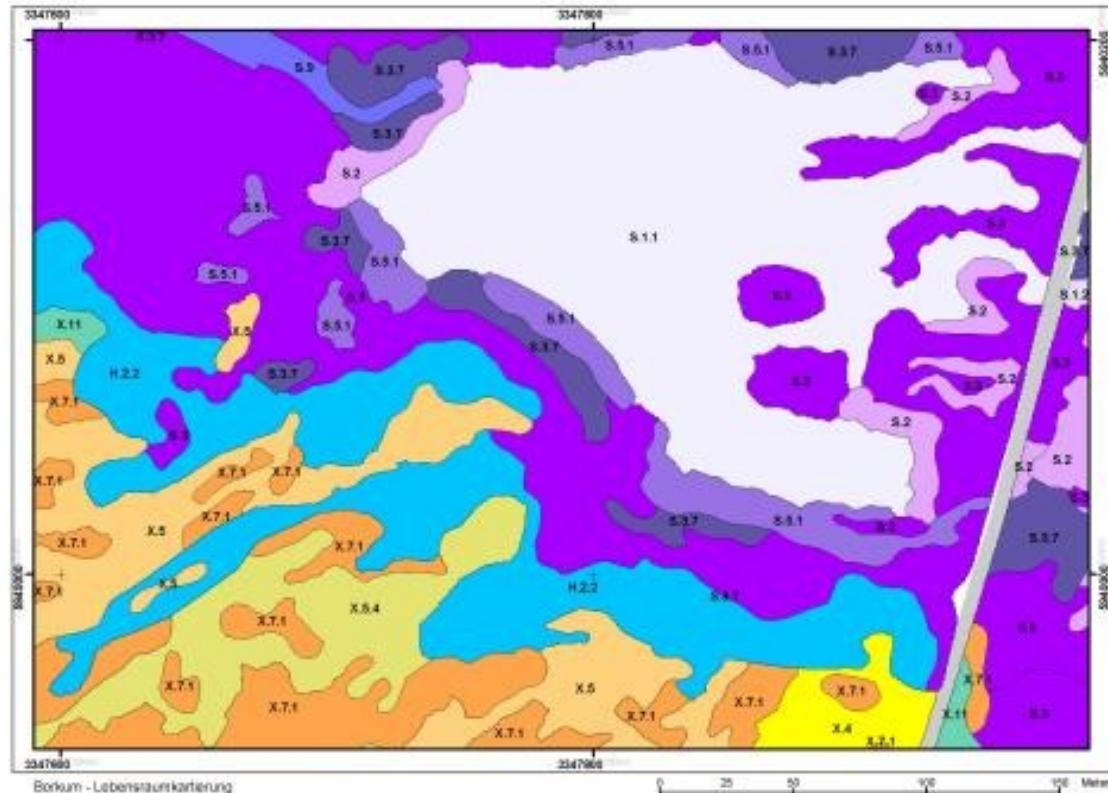
## Image classification



- Biotope monitoring from digital aerial cameras (HRSC-X and DMC)
- SMAP Classifier of GRASS

### GRASS supports

- Image geocoding and ortho-rectification
- Analysis of aerial and satellite data
- Time series analysis



# Image fusion: Brovey transform

We use the earlier imported LANDSAT-7 scene to perform image fusion of the channels 2 (red), 4 (NIR), and 5 (MIR):

```
g.region -dp
i.fusion.brovey -l ms1=tm.2 ms2=tm.4 ms3=tm.5 pan=pan out=brovey

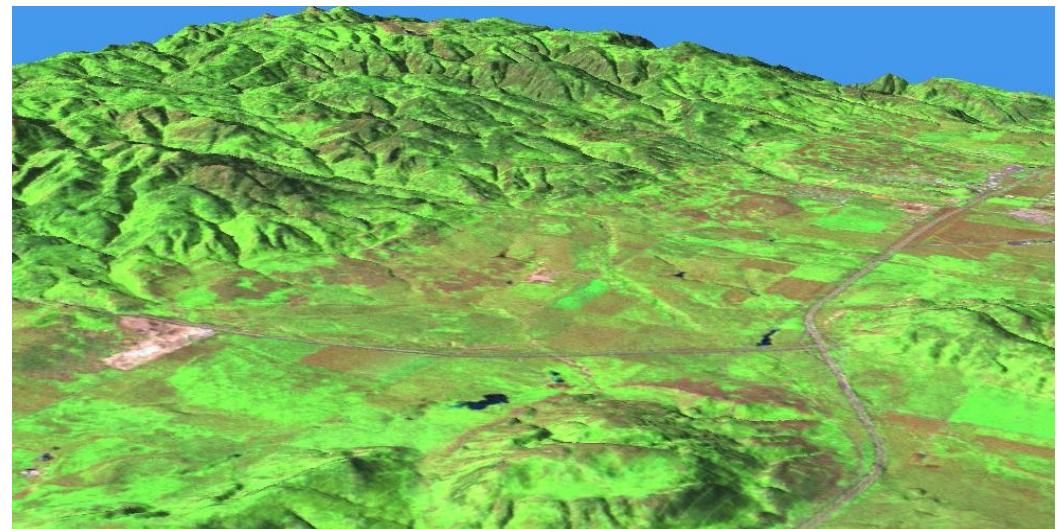
# zoom to fused channel
g.region -p rast=brovey.red

# color composite:
r.composite r=brovey.red g=brovey.green b=brovey.blue n out=tm.broveley

d.rast tm.broveley

nviz elevation.10m col=tm.broveley

# Increase visual resolution in NVIZ
# with Panel -> Surface
#           -> Polygon resolution
#           (lower! the value)
```

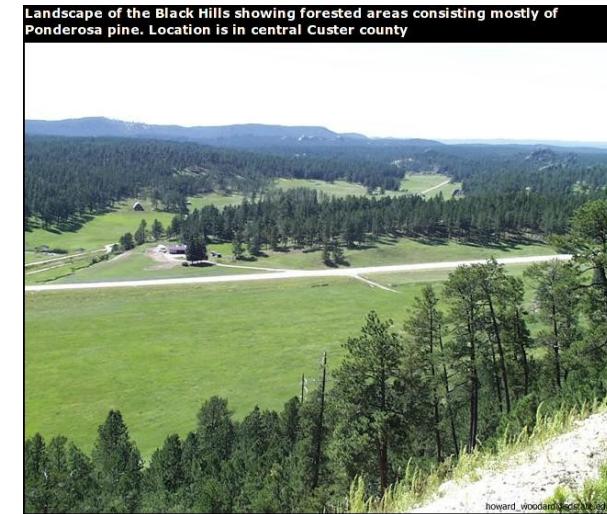


# Natural color composites: LANDSAT-7 RGB

The `i.landsat.rgb` script performs a histogram-area based color optimization:



Standard RGB



[http://plantsci.sdsstate.edu/woodardh/Soils\\_and\\_Ag/Black\\_Hills/Soil\\_Characteristics\\_Profiles/landscape\\_pine.htm](http://plantsci.sdsstate.edu/woodardh/Soils_and_Ag/Black_Hills/Soil_Characteristics_Profiles/landscape_pine.htm)



Enhanced RGB

# Recalibrating the LANDSAT-7 thermal channel 1/2

TM61: Conversion of temperature first to Kelvin, then to degree Celsius

```
g.region rast=tm6.1 -p
```

#DN: digital numbers (coded temperatures)

```
r.info -r tm6.1
```

min=131

max=175

# Conversion of DN to spectral radiances:

```
r.mapcalc "tm61rad=((17.04 - 0.)/(255. - 1.))*(tm6.1 - 1.) + 0."
```

```
r.info -r tm61rad
```

min=8.721260

max=11.673071

# Conversion of spectral radiances to absolute temperatures (Kelvin):

#  $T = K_2 / \ln(K_1 / L_I + 1)$

```
r.mapcalc "temp_kelvin=1260.56/(log (607.76/tm61rad + 1.0))"
```

```
r.info -r temp_kelvin
```

min=296.026722

max=317.399879

# Recalibrating the LANDSAT-7 thermal channel 2/2

TM61: ... conversion to degree Celsius

*Note: Land surface temperatures are not air temperatures!  
LANDSAT passes at around 9:30 local time*

# We currently have the land surface temperature map in Kelvin.

# Conversion to degree Celsius:

```
r.mapcalc "temp_celsius=temp_kelvin - 273.15"
```

```
r.info -r temp_celsius
```

min=22.876722

max=44.249879

# New color table:

```
r.colors temp_celsius col=rules << EOF
```

```
-10 blue
```

```
15 green
```

```
25 yellow
```

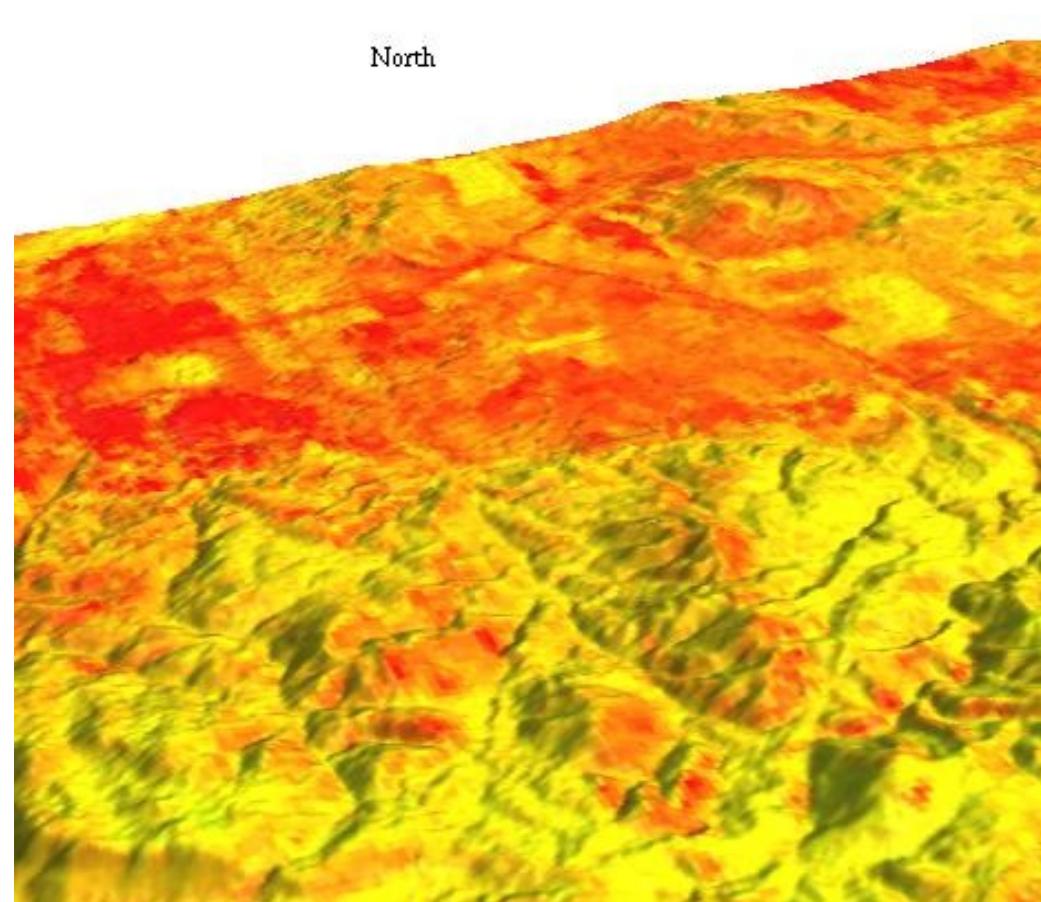
```
35 red
```

```
50 brown
```

```
EOF
```

```
d.rast.leg temp_celsius
```

```
g.region rast=elevation.dem -p  
nviz elevation.dem col=temp_celsius
```





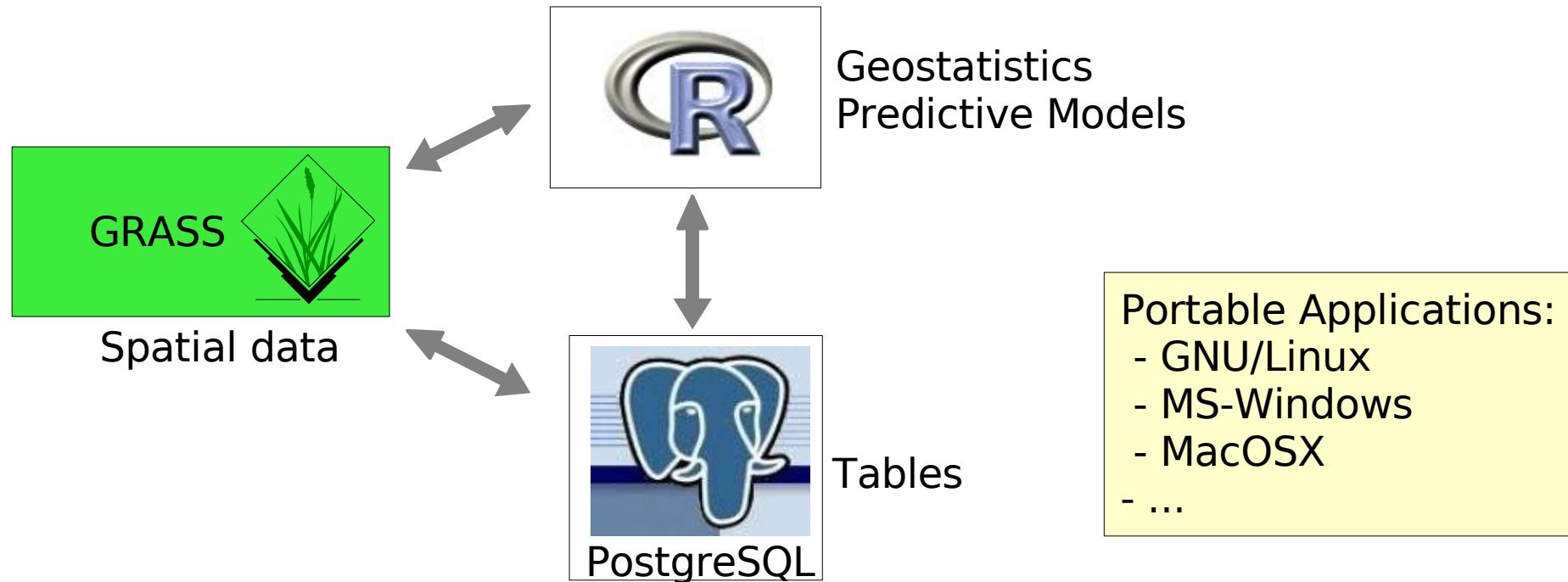
## **GRASS and geostatistics**

- R-stats/GRASS interface

# GRASS/R-stats interface - R-stats/PostgreSQL interface

- R-stats is a powerful statistical language
- Spatial extinctions available for all kinds of **geostatistics, spatial pattern analysis, time series** etc
- Interface to exchange raster and point data between GRASS and R-stats
- Rdbi: connects R-stats to **PostgreSQL**

<http://www.r-project.org>  
<http://grass.itc.it/statsgrass/>



# GRASS/R-stats interface

## R statistical language

Web site and CRAN:

<http://www.r-project.org>  
<http://cran.r-project.org>

Object oriented statistical language, a “S” dialect. Examples:

```
R  
> 1  
[1]
```

```
> 1+1  
[1] 2
```

```
# assignment into object:
```

```
> x <- 1+1  
> x  
[1] 2
```

```
> q()  
Save workspace image [y/n/c] n
```

# GRASS/R-stats interface

## GRASS 6 and R statistical language

```
grass61
```

```
#reset region:  
g.region rast=elevation.dem -p
```

```
#in GRASS start R:  
R  
library(spgrass6)
```

```
#load GRASS environment into R:  
G <- gmeta6()
```

```
#see environment metadata:  
str(G)
```

```
# Now R is ready for GRASS data analysis.
```

# GRASS/R-stats interface

## GRASS 6 and R statistical language (cont'd)

```
# get online help:  
?readCELL6sp
```

```
# get full help:  
help.start()
```

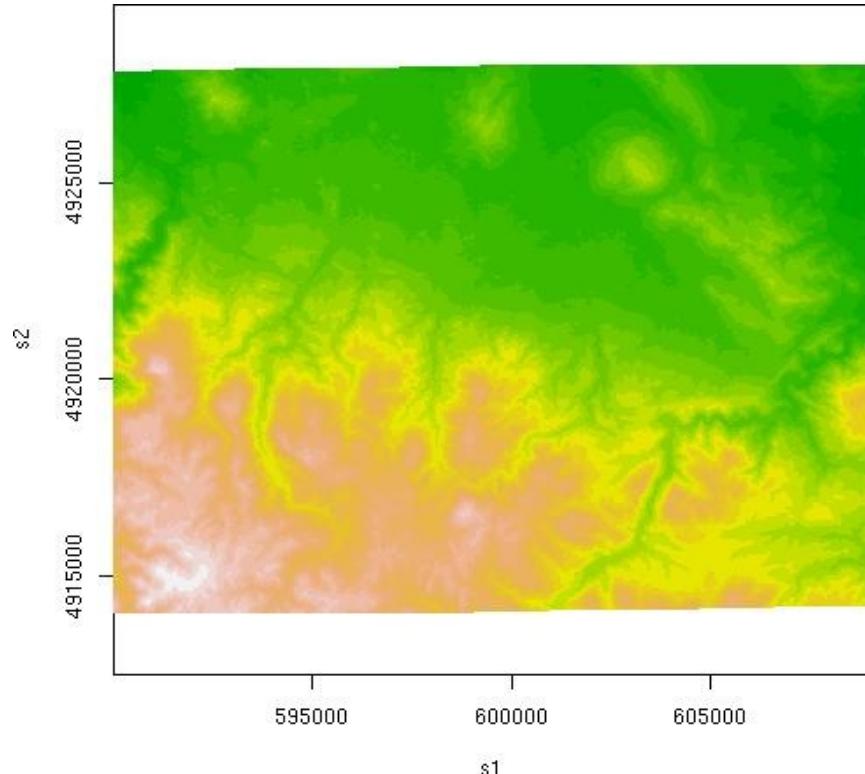
```
# load GRASS DEM into R:  
elev <- readCELL6sp("elevation.dem")
```

```
# show map metadata:  
summary(elev)
```

```
# show map:  
image(elev, col=terrain.colors(20))
```

```
# leave R:  
q()
```

```
# you have the option to save the current R state to local  
# file when leaving the program.
```



# GRASS: User map

## Who is using GRASS?

AMTI/NASA Ames Research Center USA  
Austrian Institute for Avalanche and Torrent Research  
Bank of America  
Bombardier Aerospace Canada  
Brenner Railway Austria  
BR-NetProduction (Bavarian Television) Germany  
Canadian Forest Service  
CEA Monte Bondone  
Census USA  
CERN Switzerland  
CICESE Mexico  
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CSIRO Australia  
Deutsche Bank Germany  
DLR Germany  
Dubai Municipality  
DuPont Spain  
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Ericsson Sweden  
ETH Zurich Switzerland  
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Forschungszentrum Juelich Germany  
Forschungszentrum Karlsruhe Germany  
GFZ Potsdam Germany  
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JSC NASA

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La Poste France  
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Lockheed Martin Space USA  
Los Alamos National Laboratory  
Meteo Poland  
MIT Lincoln Laboratory  
Nanjing University  
National Botanic Garden of Belgium  
National Museum Japan  
National Radio Astronomy Observatory USA  
National Research Center of Soils USA  
NCSA Illinois USA  
NCSU USA  
NIMA USA  
NOAA USA (GLOBE DEM generated with GRASS)  
NRSA USA  
Onera France (running SPOT etc.)  
**Politecnico di Milano**  
**Politecnico di Torino**  
Princeton University  
Procergs Brasilia



Purdue University  
Qualcomm USA  
**Regione Toscana**  
Rutgers University  
Sevilla University Spain  
South African Weather Bureau (METSYS)  
Stockholm Environment Institute-Boston  
Teledetection France  
Telefónica Spain  
TU Berlin  
TU Muenchen  
UC Davis  
UFRGS Brasilia  
University of Costa Rica  
University of Sydney  
University of Toronto Canada  
**University of Trento, Italy**  
US Army  
US Bureau of Reclamation  
US Dep. of Agriculture  
VA Linux Systems USA

# New OSGeo Foundation: Proposed founding projects

MAPSERVER



Mapbender



Open Source Geospatial Foundation



Autodesk®

United States MapGuide  
Open Source

GeoTools

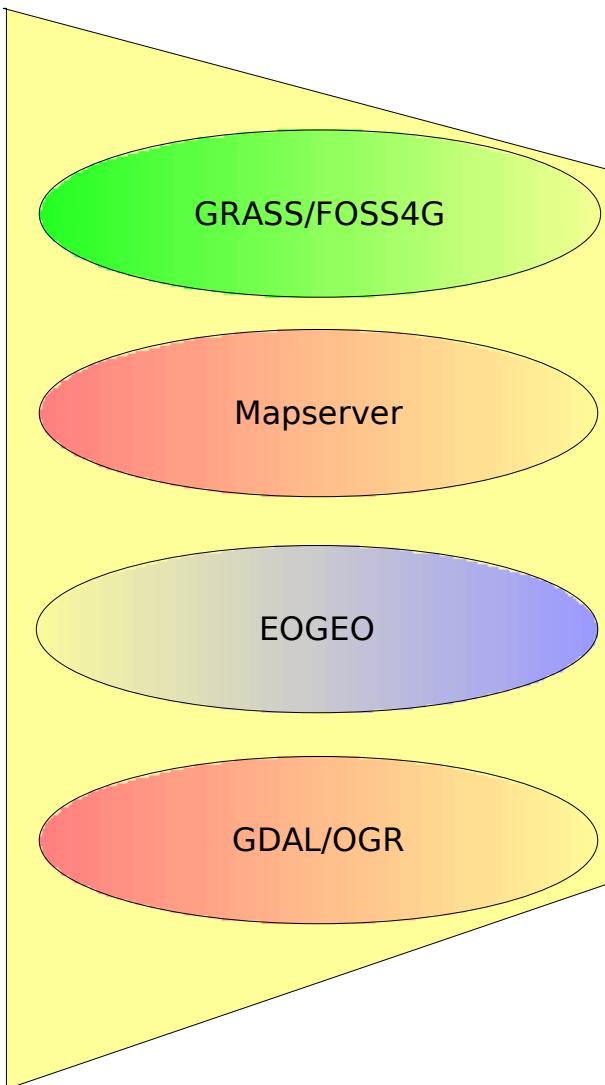
The open source Java GIS toolkit



Founded 4<sup>th</sup> February 2006, Chicago  
<http://www.osgeo.org>

# Capacity building

Communities growing together...



Free Software for Geoinformatics  
GRASS/FOSS4G, Bangkok 2004

Free GIS/Mapserver conference  
MUM3 – OSG'05, Minneapolis, 2005

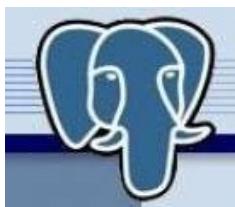
Joint Meeting 9/2006, Lausanne, CH  
GRASS/MUM/EOGEO/JAVA  
=> **FOSS4G2006 Conference**  
<http://www.foss4g2006.org>

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## Communities growing together...

### PostgreSQL

Most advanced open source relational database  
<http://www.postgresql.org/>



**PostGIS:** support for geographic objects to the PostgreSQL object-relational database  
<http://postgis.refractions.net>



(General) statistical computing environment:  
<http://www.r-project.org/>

Rgeo: spatial data analysis in R, unified classes and interfaces (e.g, RGRASS)  
<http://r-spatial.sourceforge.net/>



GDAL - Geospatial Data Abstraction Library  
<http://www.gdal.org>



**GRASS GIS**  
Spatial Computing  
<http://grass.itc.it>

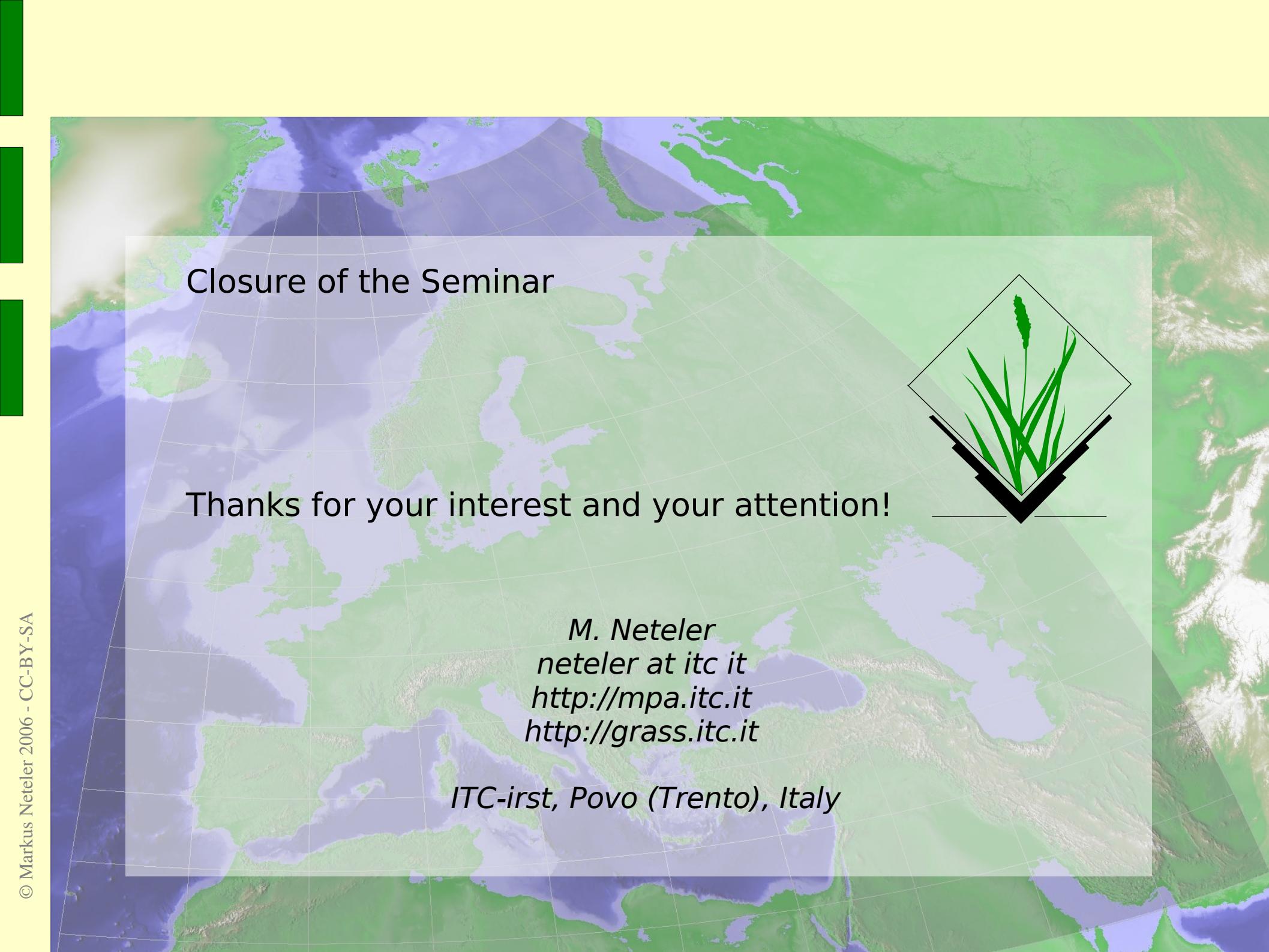


QGIS: user friendly Open Source GIS  
<http://www.qgis.org>

### MAPSERVER

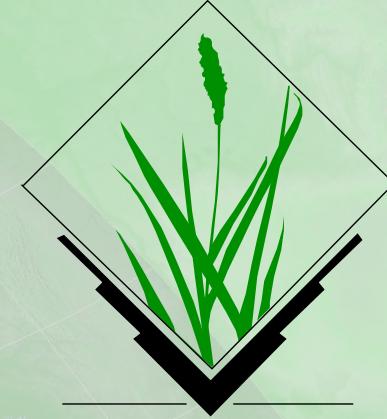
Spatially-enabled Internet applications  
<http://mapserver.gis.umn.edu/>

... AND MANY OTHERS!  
<http://www.osgeo.org>



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