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# Introducing Spatial Statistics

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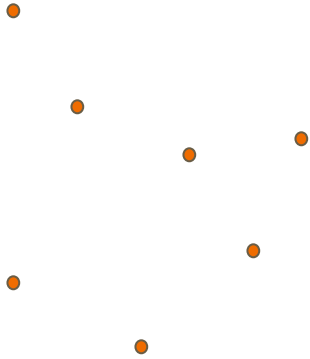
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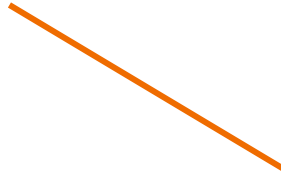
# Learning Objectives

- Understand different types of spatial datasets
- Crash course on spatial statistics

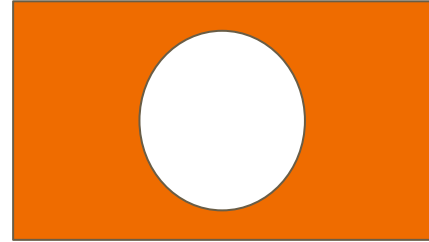
# Types of spatial data



Points



Lines



Polygons

# Points example - weather station measurements

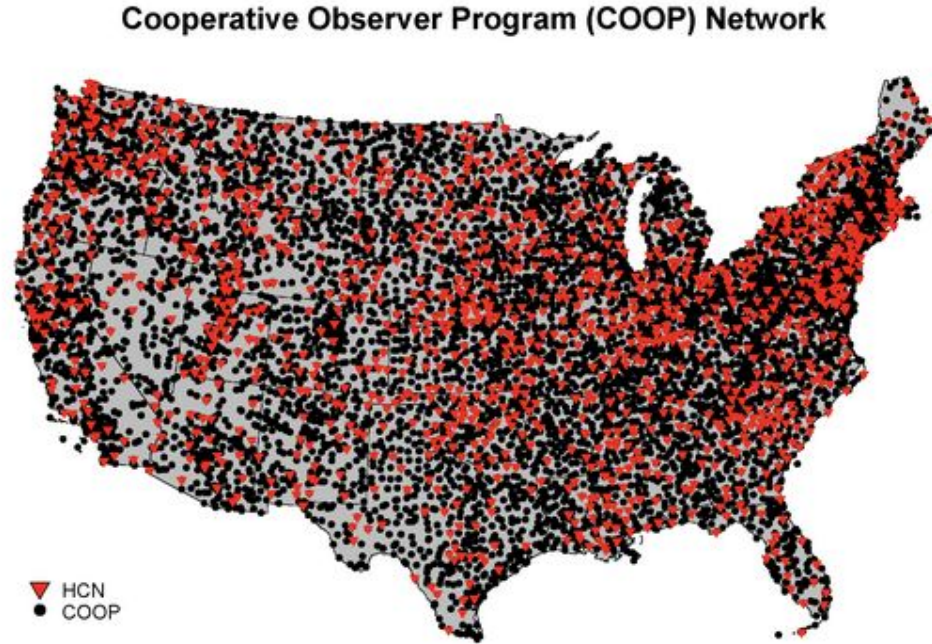
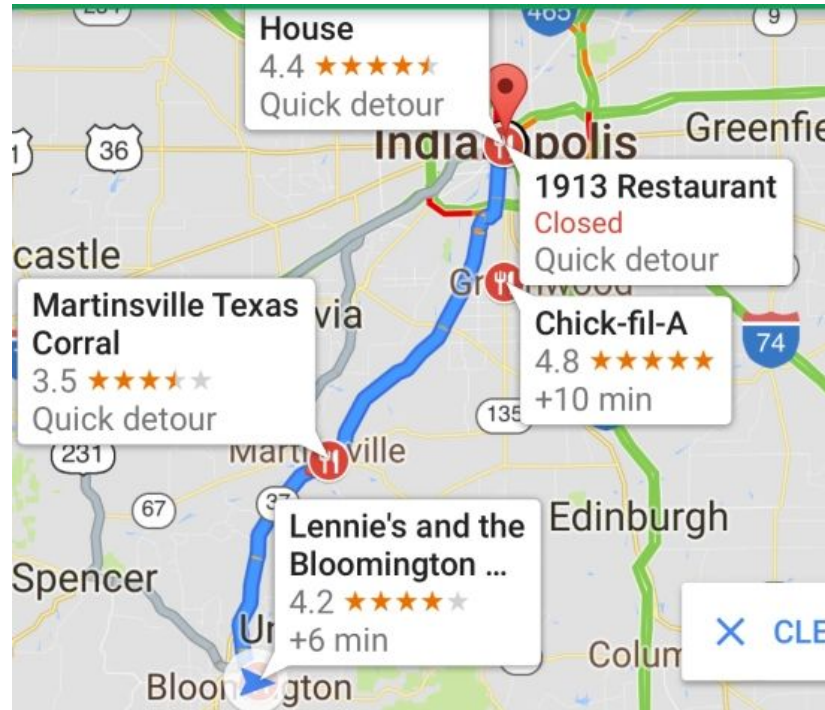
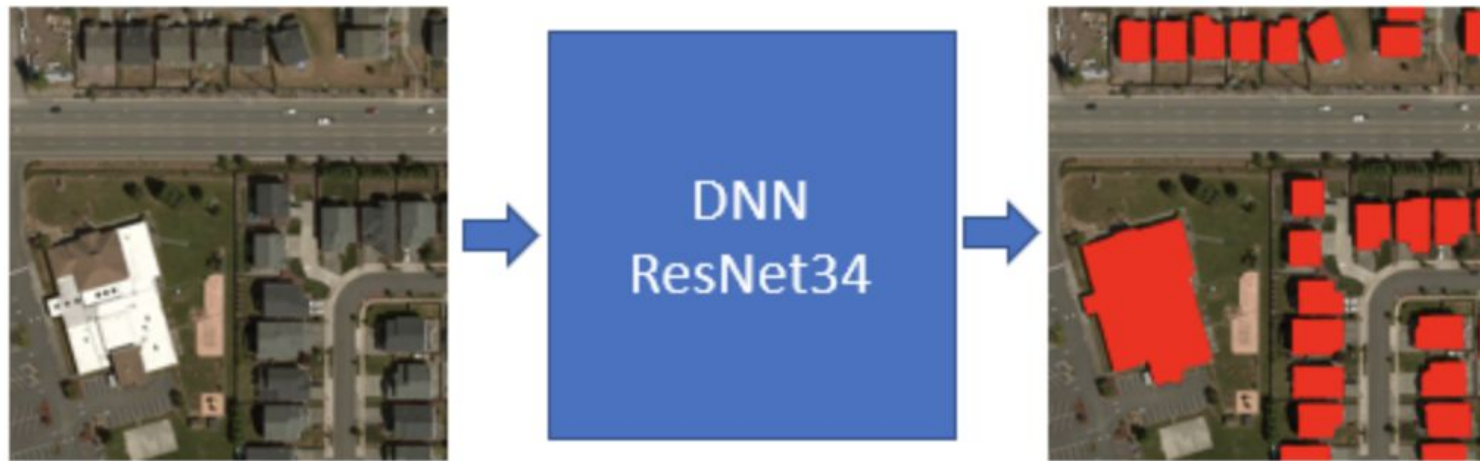


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# Line example - routes



# Polygon Example - US Building Footprint





Thanks to Microsoft for the  
[BuildingFootprint dataset!](#)

# Why are there different types of data?

We often talk about records being  $(X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_p)$

- What is the distance between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  ?
- Now what if one is a line and the other is a point?
- Now what if both are polygons?

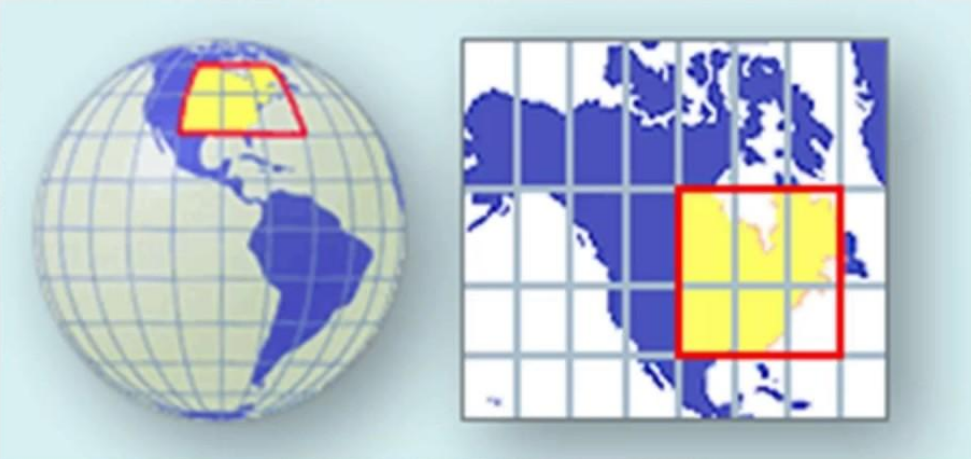
# Quick note on data on Earth - projections

 Understanding Coordinate Systems for ArcGIS 

**Projection Terminology** - *From the ArcGIS Glossary*

**Projection (Map Projection)** – A method by which the curved surface of the earth is portrayed on a flat surface.

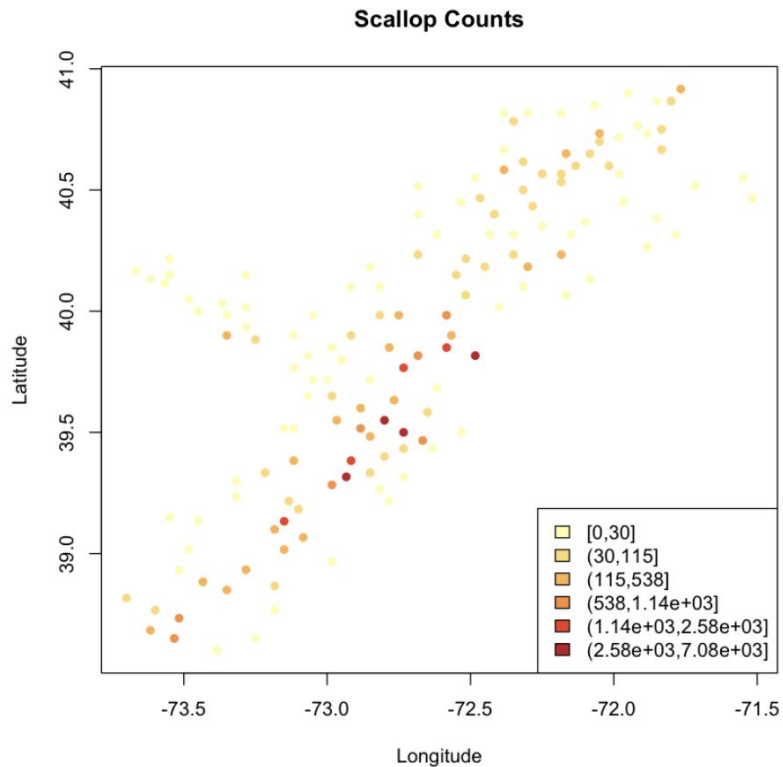
This requires a systematic mathematical transformation of the earth's graticule of lines of longitude and latitude onto a plane.



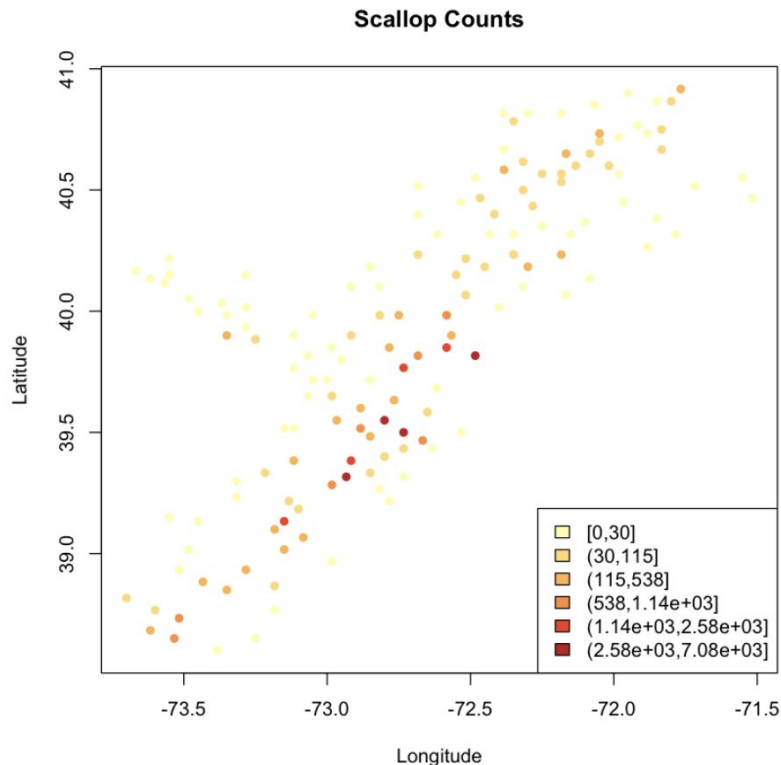
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# Spatial Statistics - modeling

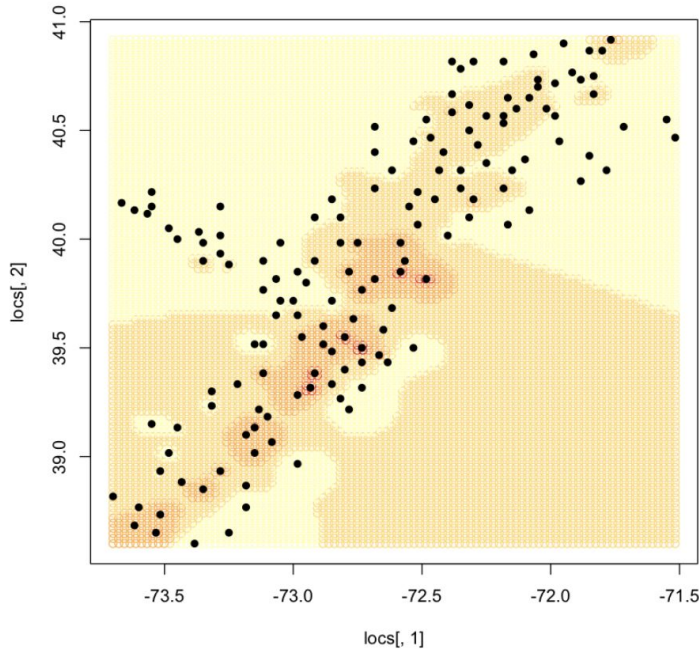


# Spatial Statistics - modeling



- Our belief about the data at  $s_1$  is influenced by our expectation at that location
- Deviations from the expectations is where the neighboring data points help us understand

# Model - spatial data is a noisy observation of a surface



$$Y(s_1) = m(s_1) + \epsilon(s_1)$$
$$\epsilon(s_1) | \epsilon(s_2) = N(0, \text{Cov}(s_1, s_2))$$

# Kriging - the OLS of spatial modeling

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- $m(s_1)$  is what we expected at location  $s_1$



## Choices for kriging - what exactly are these values?

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## Choices for kriging - mean is a vector

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## Choices for kriging - covariance is a matrix

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$d(s_1, s_2)$  can be the great circle distance