# **Spatial Analyst Tools**

GIS III: GIS Analysis





# Overview

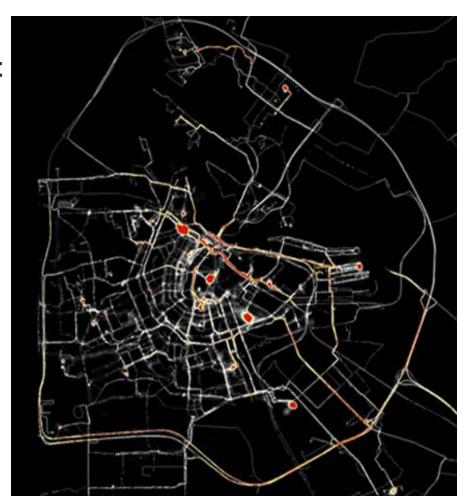
- Spatial Analyst Toolbox
  - Density Tools
  - Interpolation Tools
  - Statistics Tools





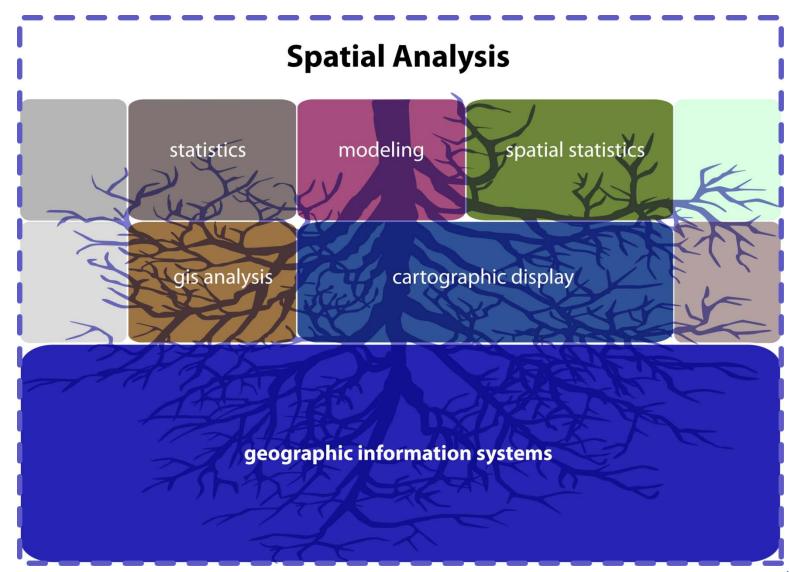
# What is GIS Analysis?

- Mapped data shows you where objects are located but cannot explain why
  - GIS analysis searches for patterns and meaning in mapped data using GIS software
  - Allows you to link, query, collect and display your spatial data





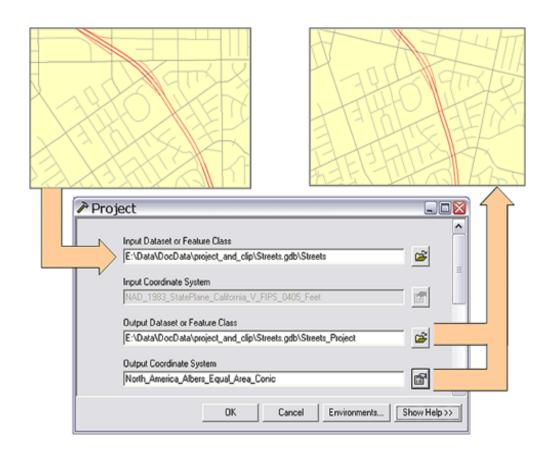
# **Elements of Spatial Analysis**





# Geoprocessing

- Geographic analysis and data management
- Performs an operation on an input dataset, resulting in a new output dataset

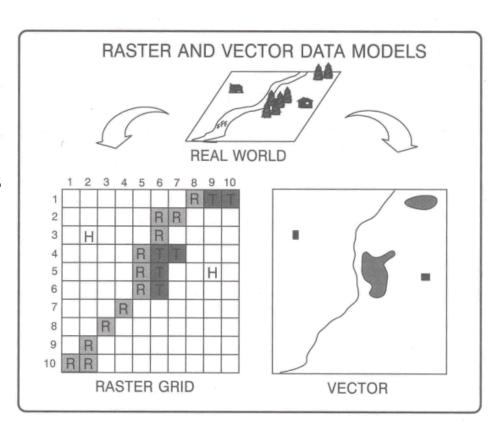




# Storing Abstracted Objects

- Two primary methods for digital storage
  - Vector formats discretely identify shape coordinates

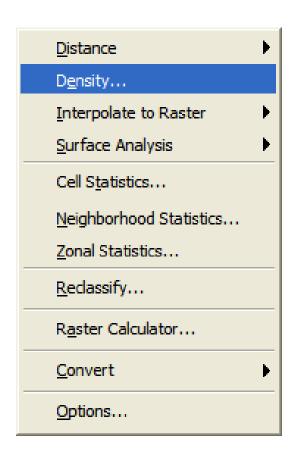
- Raster formats assign square cells to real world entities

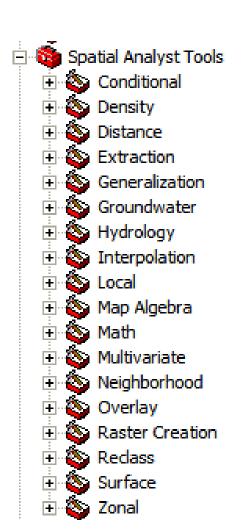




# **Spatial Analyst Tools Toolbox**

- Specialized tools for analysis
- Raster based



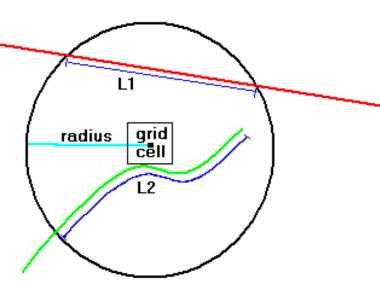




- Population per square mile
- Number of features per acre
- Uses
  - Produce a continuous surface from a point layer
  - Visualize overlapping points
  - Identify "hot spots"



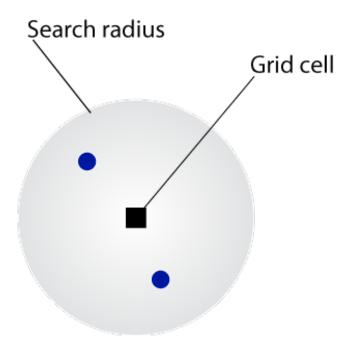
- Three density tools in Spatial Analyst
  - Line density: Calculates a magnitude per unit area from polyline features that fall within a radius around each cell
  - Point density
  - Kernel density
- All density tools produce new raster datasets

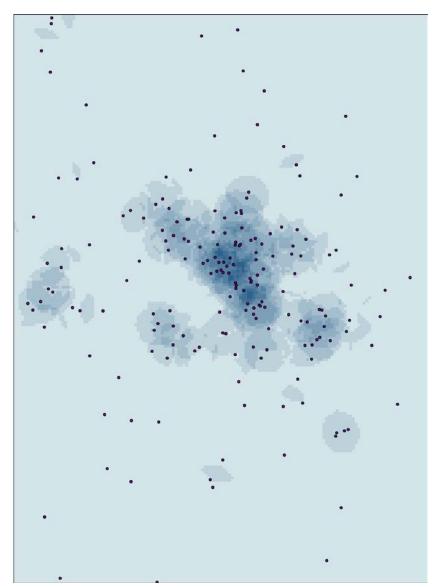




#### **Point Density**

Calculates a magnitude per unit area from point features that fall within a neighborhood around each cell

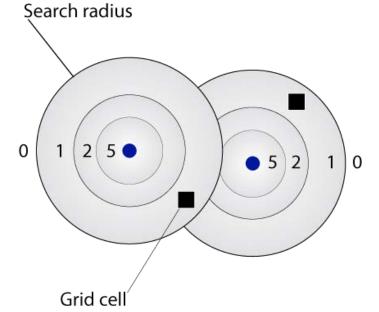


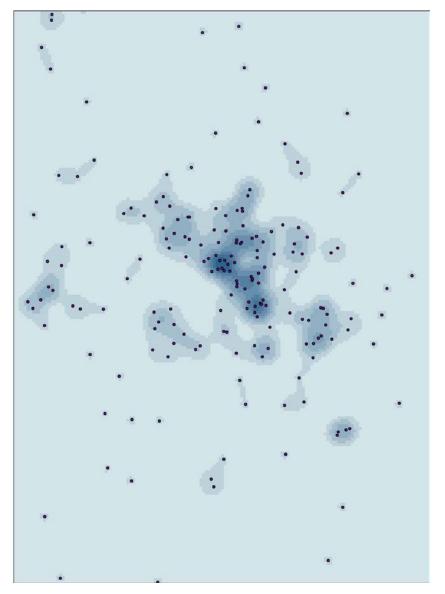




#### **Kernel Density**

Calculates a magnitude per unit area from point or polyline features using a kernel function to fit a smoothly tapered surface to each point or polyline

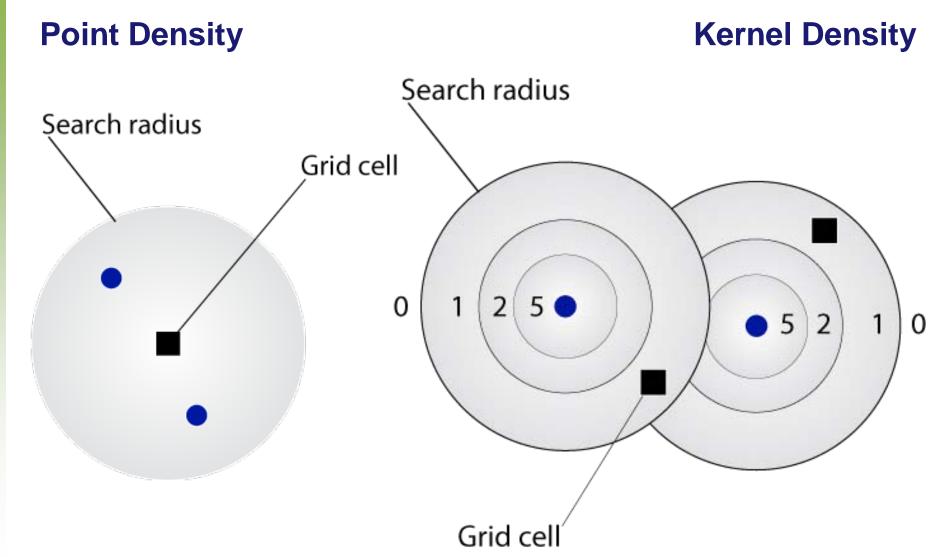




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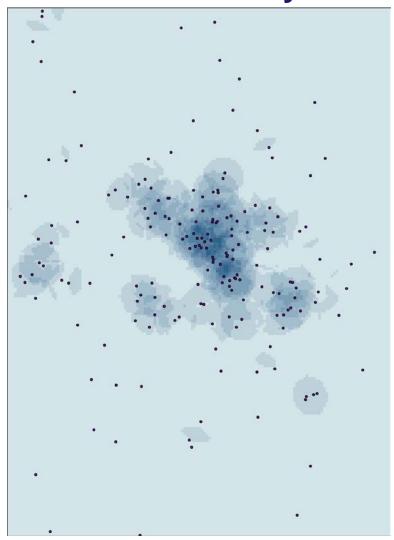


# Point vs. Kernel Density

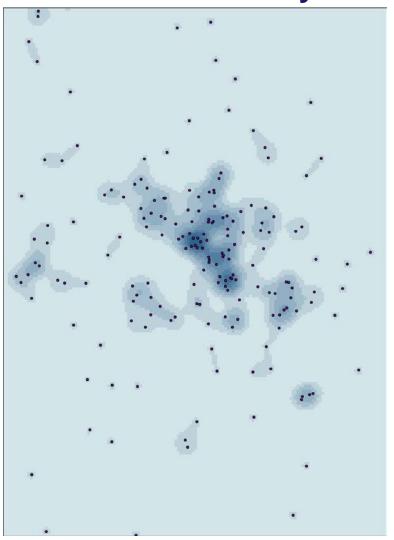




### **Point Density**



#### **Kernel Density**





# **Interpolation Tools**

- Interpolation creates a continuous surface from individual point values
- Examples:
  - Elevation data
  - Temperature
- In ArcMap interpolation creates a new raster dataset

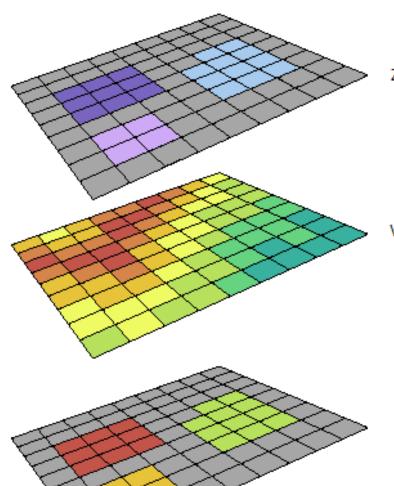


# Why Use Interpolation?

- To estimate values where there is no data
- Visualization of complex point data
- Analysis of trends over space and time
- Creation of discrete boundaries between values



#### **Zonal Statistics**



Zone layer

Defines the zones (shapes, values and locations).

Value layer

Contains the input values used in calculating the output for each zone.

#### Output

The result of the statistic applied to the value input (Maximum in this example).

#### Can calculate:

- Majority
- Maximum
- Mean
- Median
- Minimum
- Minority
- Range
- Standard Deviation
- Sum
- Variety



### Other Useful Spatial Analyst Tools

- Extraction Subset raster datasets by values or locations
- Map Algebra Run any algebraic operation on two rasters
- Overlay Combine multiple rasters into one layer, applying weights to the input datasets
- Reclass Change the values of rasters