

# Strategy Pattern Exercise

Geographical Information Systems (GIS)

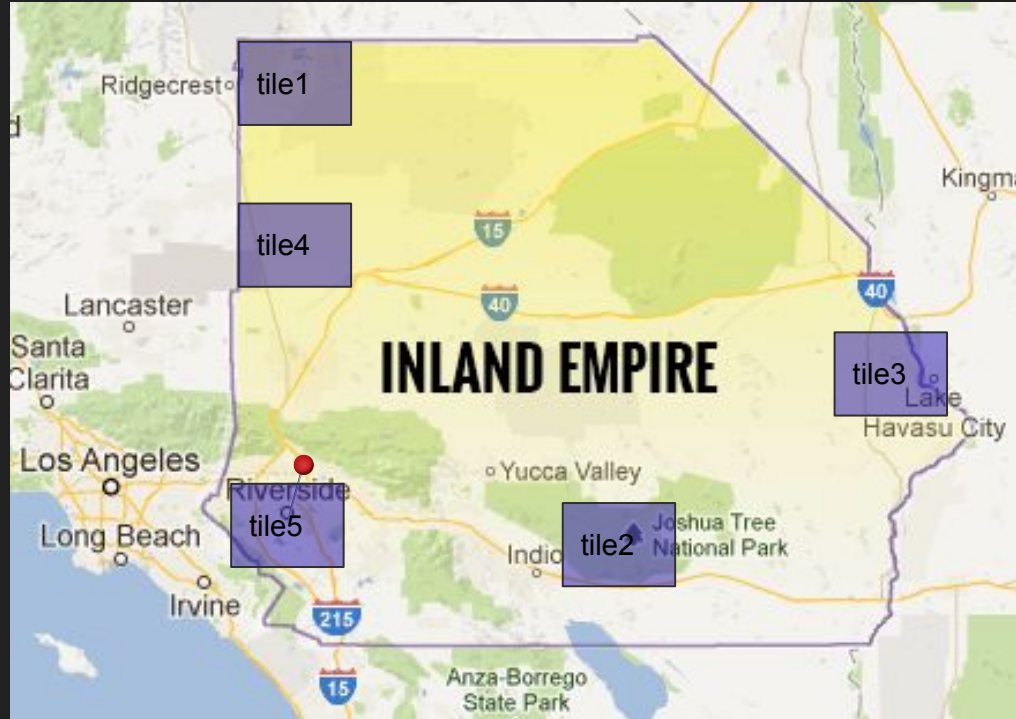
# Remember find\_poi()?

```
class Area : public Tile {
....
Public:
    Point find_poi(string name, Point location) {
        Point current_closest = Point(-1,-1);
        double current_distance = DBL_MAX;
        for(unsigned i = 0; i < this->tiles.size(); i++) {
            Point new_location = this->tiles.at(i).find_poi(name, location);
            if (new_location != Point(-1,-1)) {
                if (distance(location, new_location) < current_distance || current_closest == (-1,-1)) {
                    current_closest = new_location;
                    current_distance = distance(location, new_location);
                }
            }
        }
        return current_closest;
    }
....
```

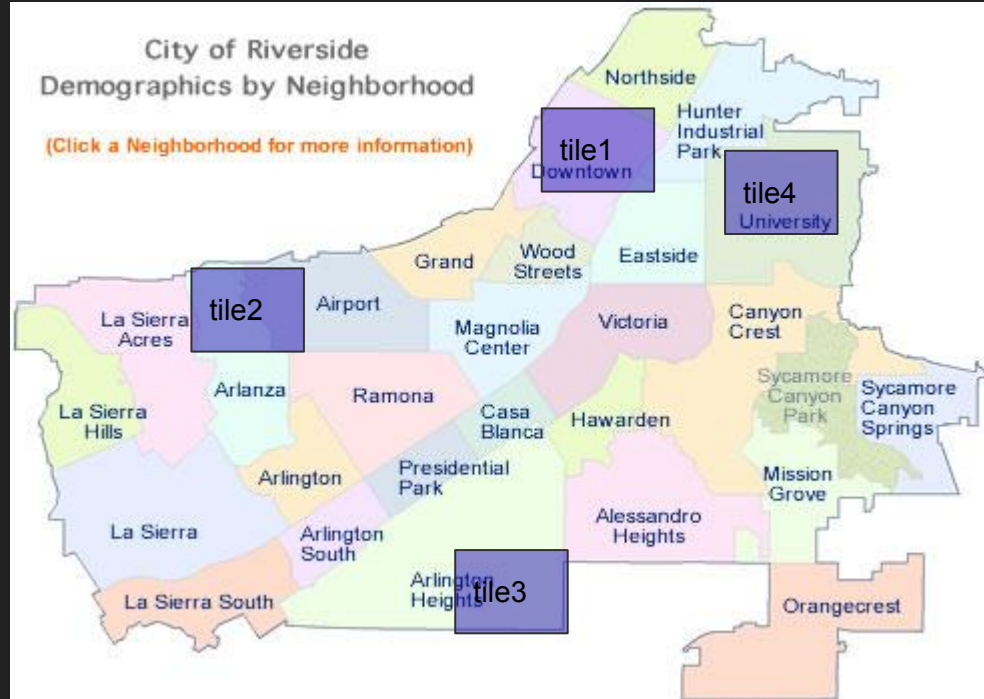
Currently we search blindly



# Lots of area to search



# Even just within the city



# Every tile needs to be searched

- UCR encompasses 3 sq miles
- Riverside: 97 sq miles
- California: 163,696 sq miles
- The USA: 3,796,742 sq miles
- Planet Earth: 197,000,000 sq miles

We would need to search **197 million** tiles to get our answer

How can we improve the  
way we are searching?

# Directed Search

Class Area : **public** Tile {

Public:

Point find\_poi(**string** name, Point location) {

Point current\_closest = Point(-1,-1);

**double** current\_distance = -1;

tiles.sort\_by\_distance\_to(location); // we can direct the search so we can *early abandon*

**for**(**unsigned** i = 0; i < this->tiles.size(); i++) {

Point new\_location = this->tiles.at(i).find\_poi(name, location);

**if** (new\_location != (-1,-1)) {

return new\_location;

}

}

return Point(-1,-1);

}

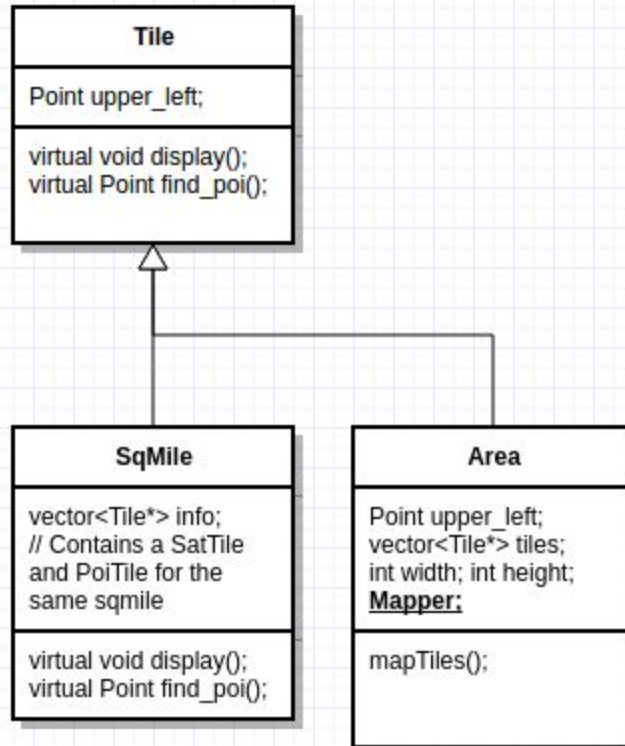
};



How efficient is this search?

What can we do to make it  
more efficient?

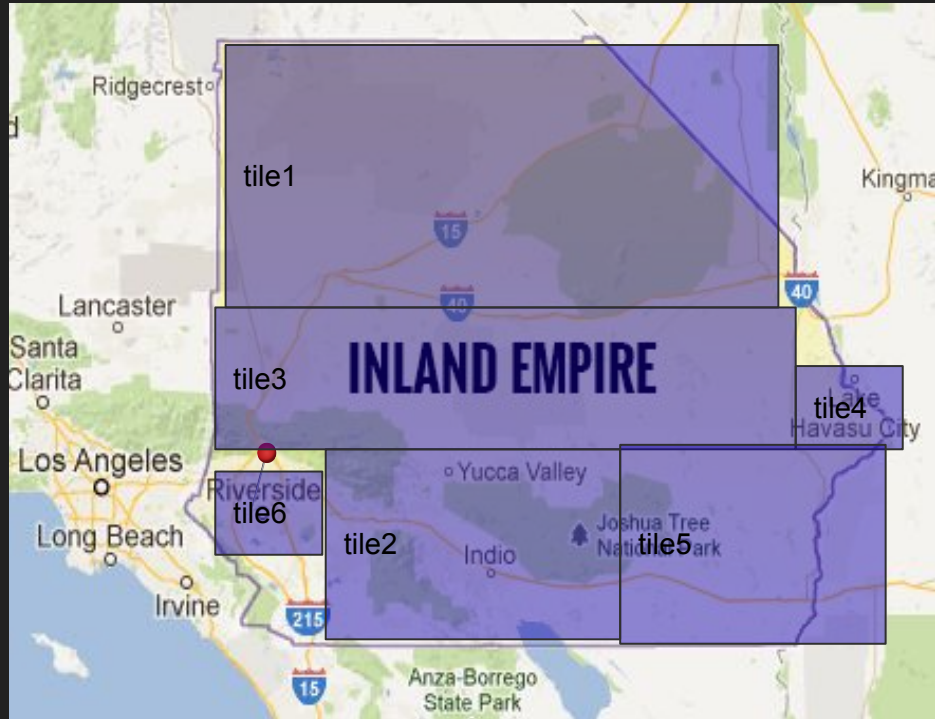
# Hierarchy & Organization



# Proximity

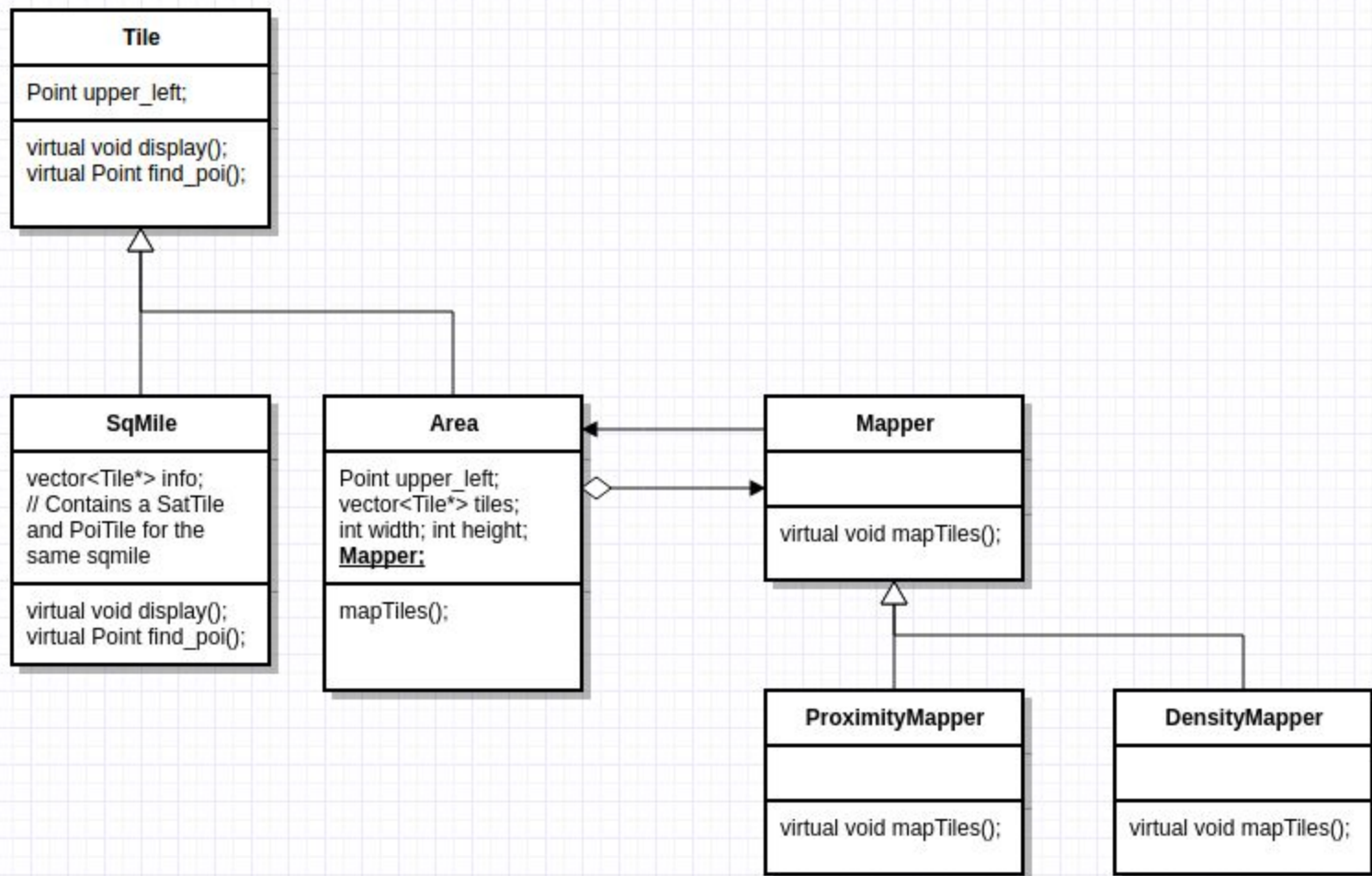


# Density

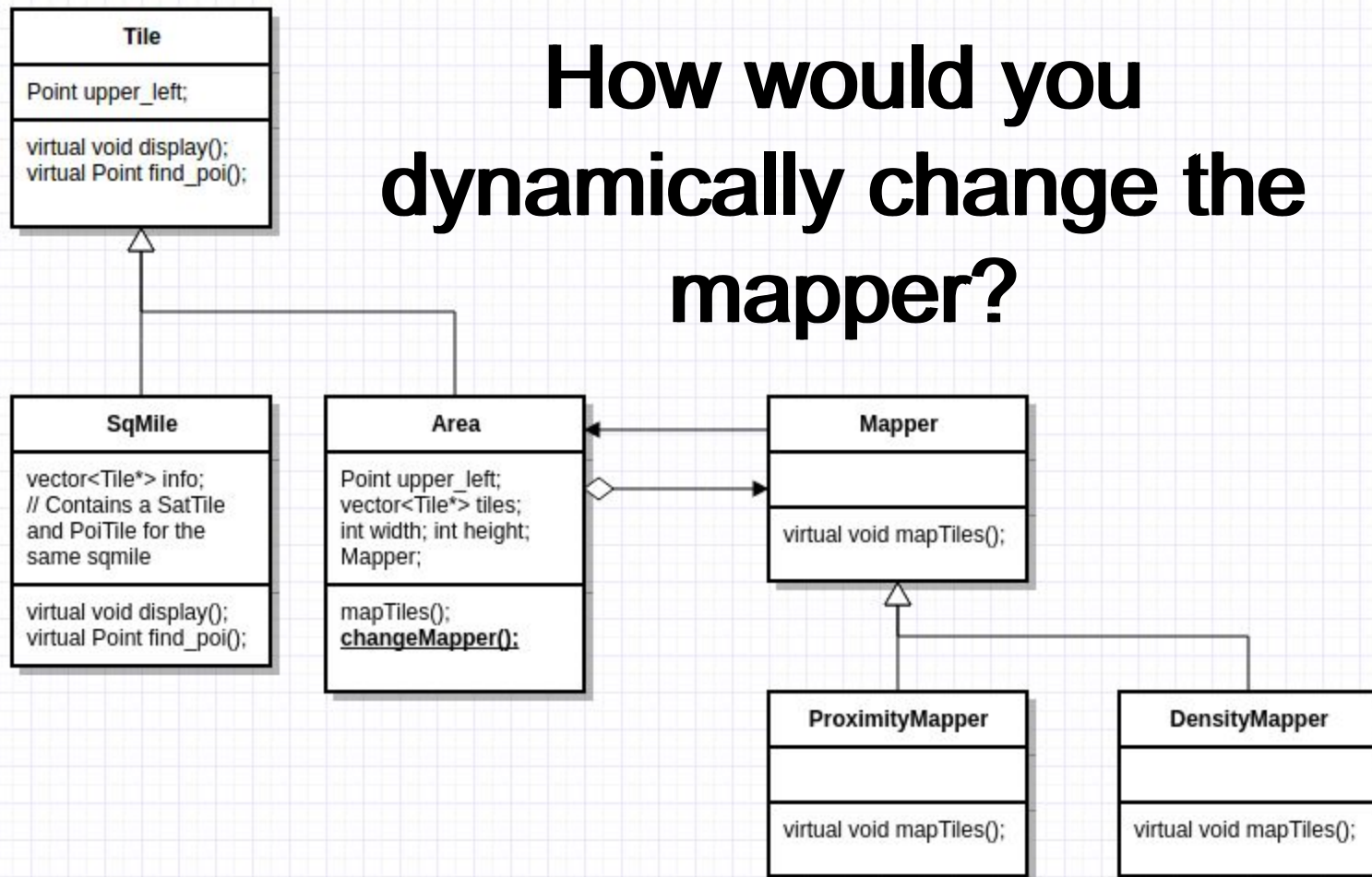


# Using proximity organization





# How would you dynamically change the mapper?



# How would you add a mapping strategy?

