



# INF 110 Discovering Informatics

# Maps



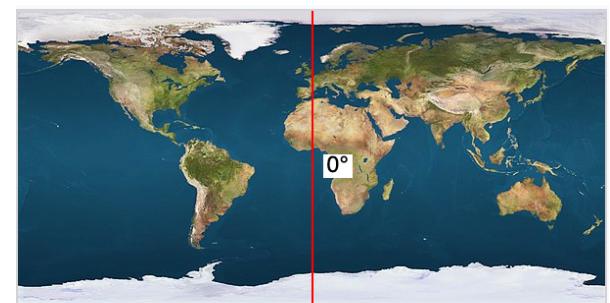
# Latitude and Longitude

How do you locate a point on the surface of the earth?

- Latitude – 0 to  $90^{\circ}$
- Longitude – 0 to  $180^{\circ}$
- Minutes ' (divide by 60)
- Seconds " (divide by  $60 \times 60$ )



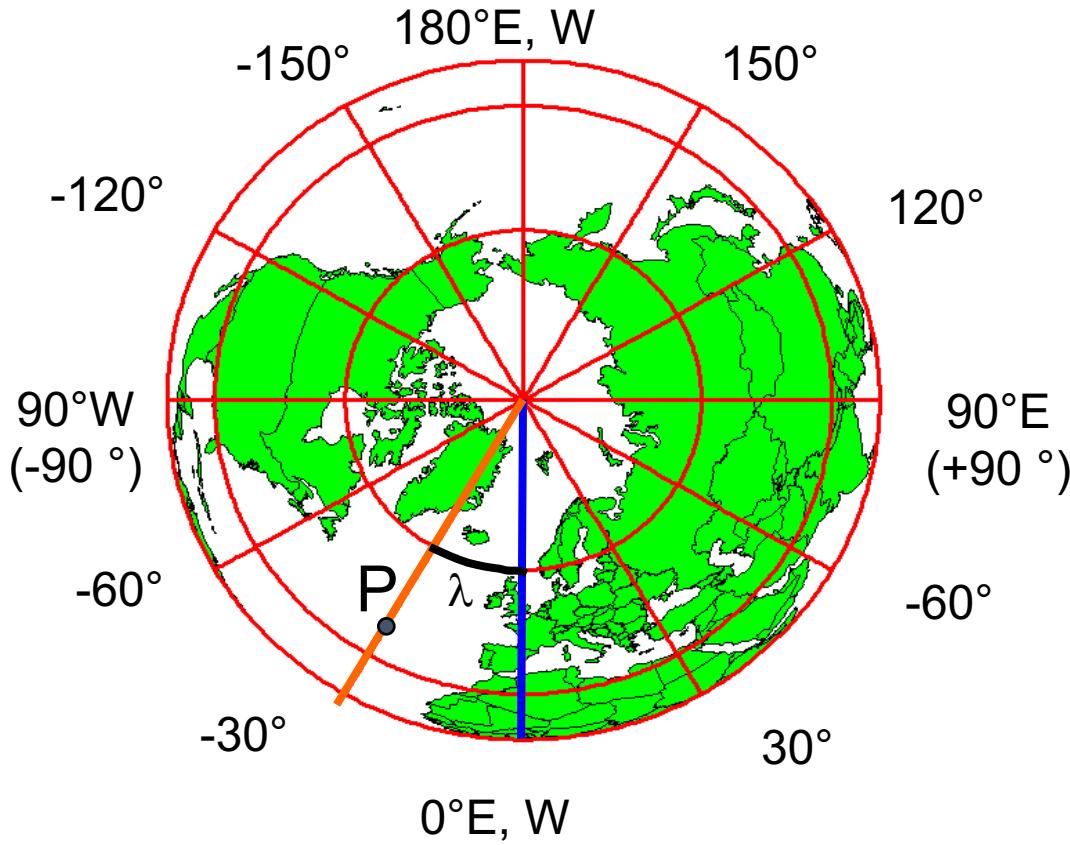
Equator, the  $0^{\circ}$  parallel of latitude



Prime Meridian, the  $0^{\circ}$  of longitude

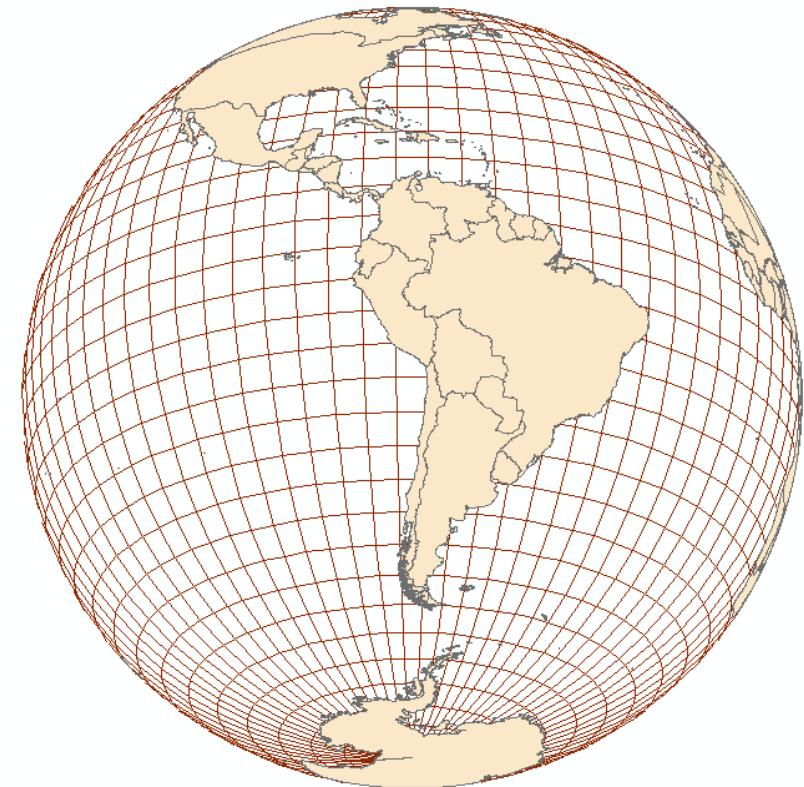
# Definition of Longitude, $\lambda$

$\lambda$  = the angle between a cutting plane on the prime meridian and the cutting plane on the meridian through the point, P



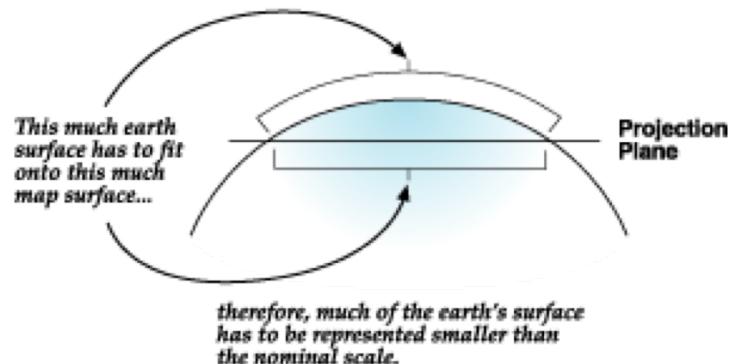
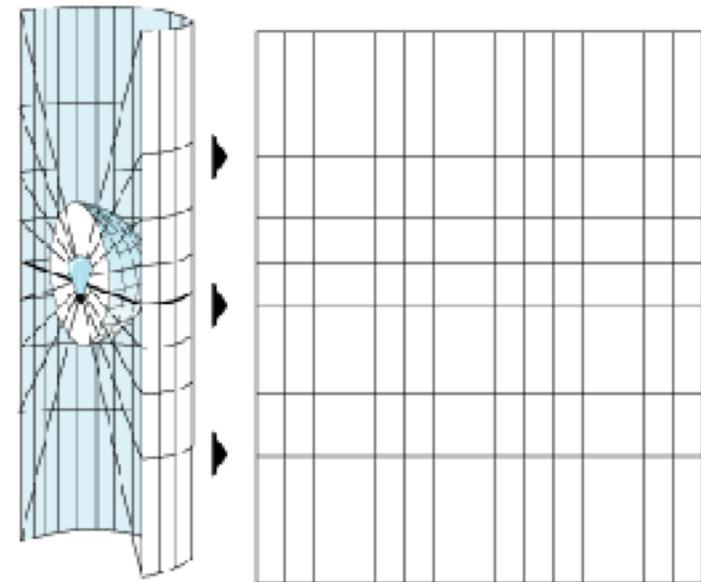
# Map Projections

How do we display a three dimensional surface on a two dimensional display?



# Map Projections

- A *map projection* is a systematic rendering of locations from the curved Earth surface onto a flat map
- Distortions are unavoidable
  - Some areas will be compressed others will be stretched



# Map projections..

- Define the spatial relationship between locations on earth and their relative locations on a flat map
- Are mathematical expressions
- Cause the distortion of one or more map properties (scale, distance, direction, shape)

# Classifications of Map Projections

Conformal – local shapes are preserved

Equal-Area – areas are preserved

Equidistant – distance from a single location to all other locations are preserved

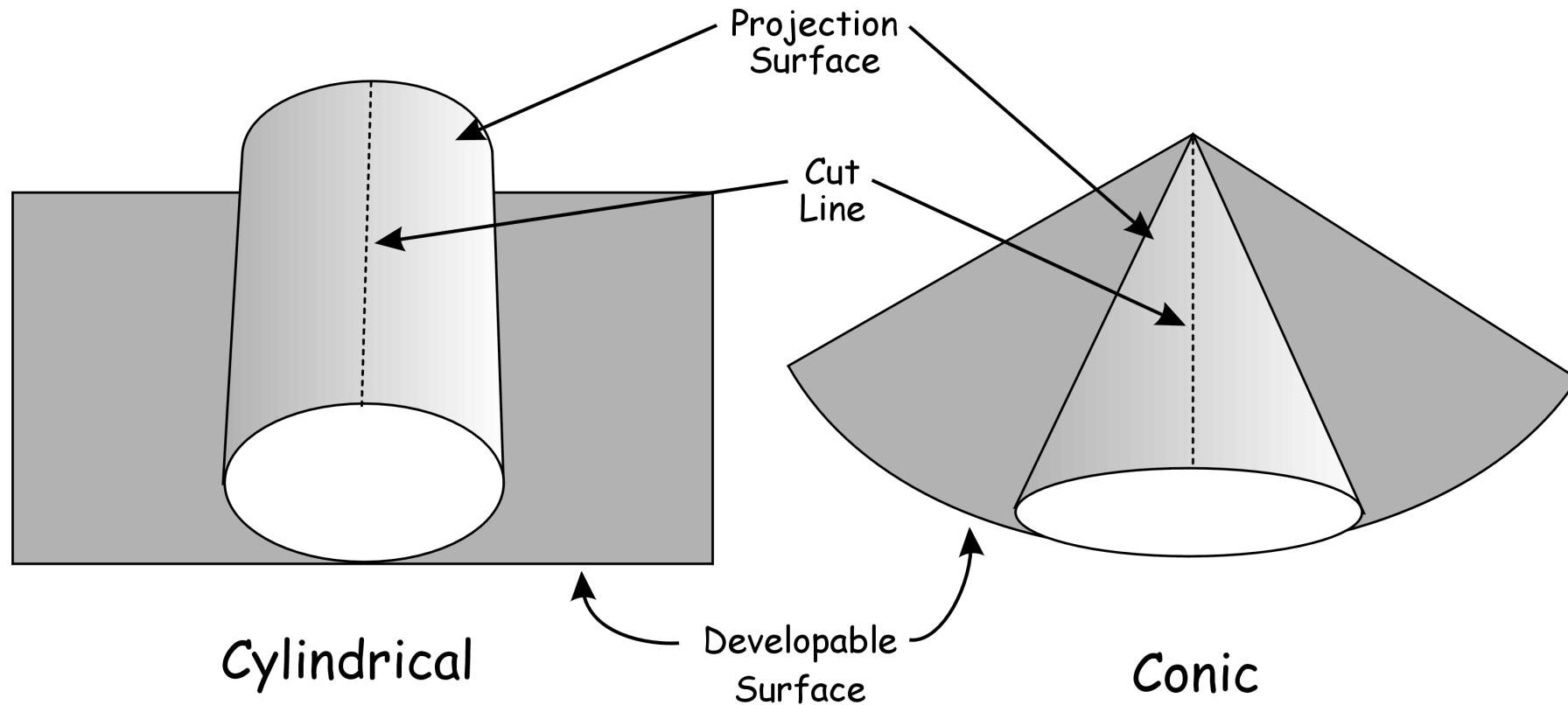
Azimuthal – directions from a single location to all other locations are preserved

# Another classification system

By the geometric surface that the sphere is projected on:

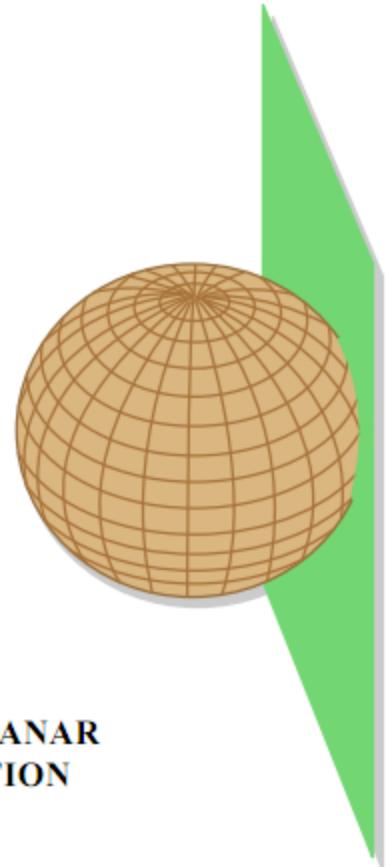
- Planar
- Cylindrical
- Conic

# Developable Surfaces



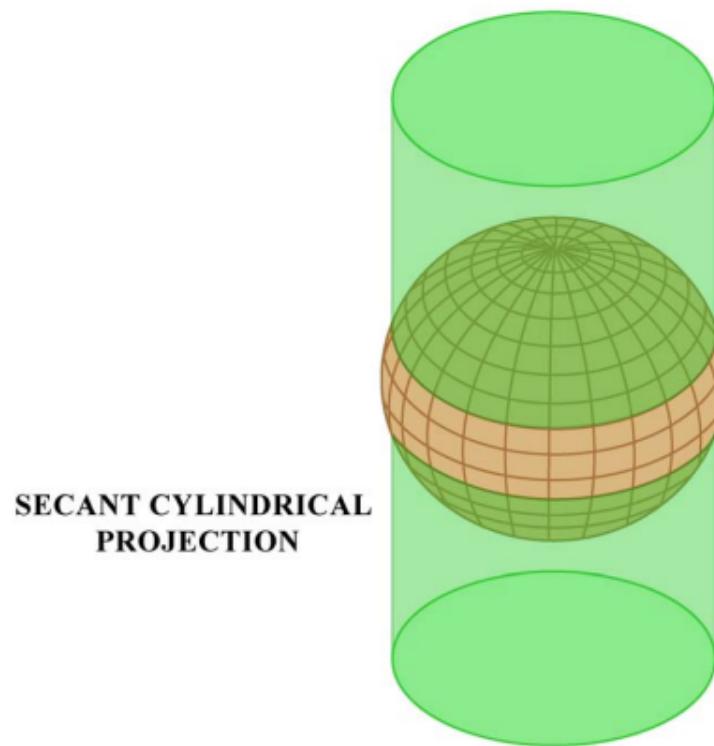
Bolstad 2002

# Planar surface



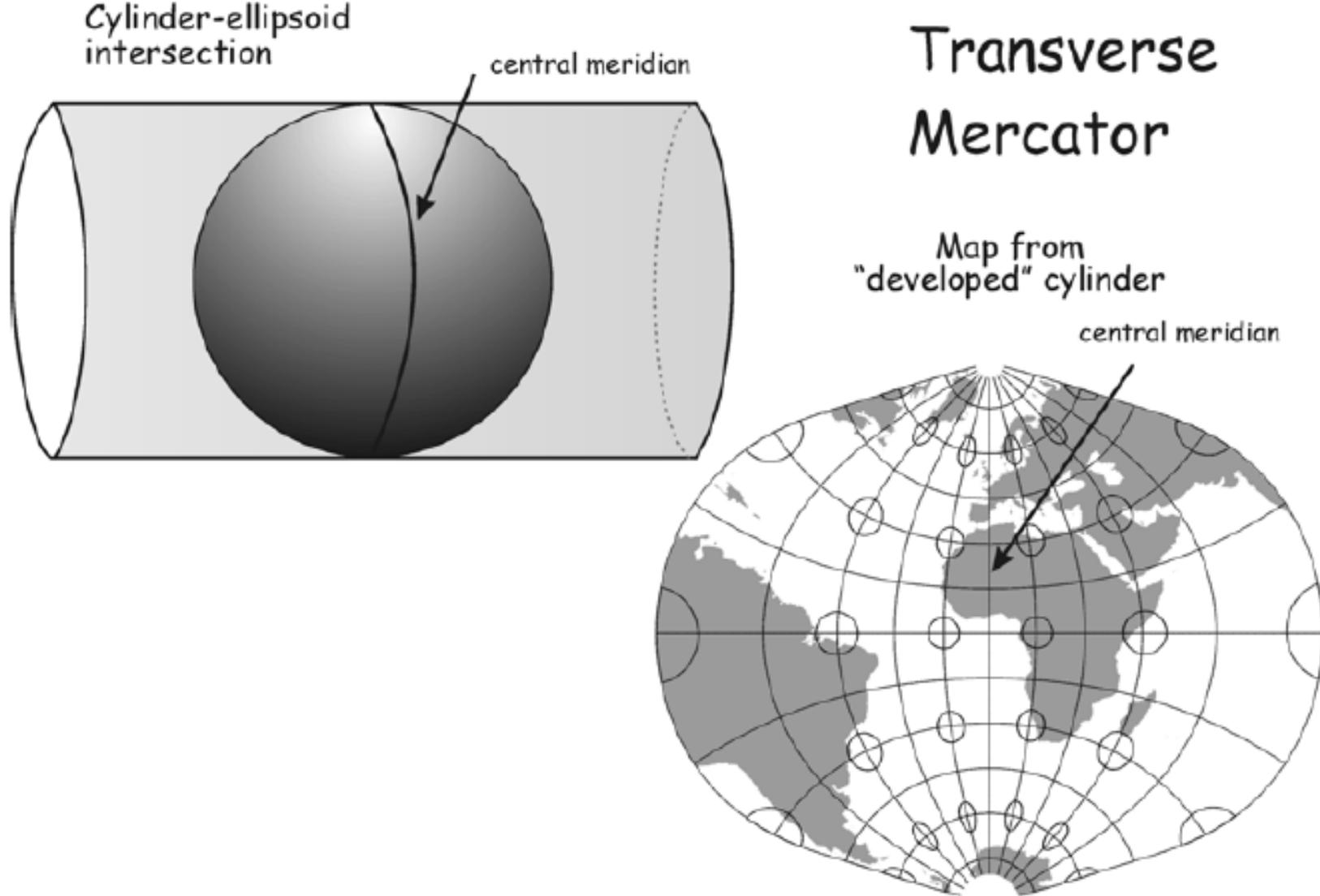
Earth intersects the plane on a small circle. All points on circle have no scale distortion.

# Cylindrical surface



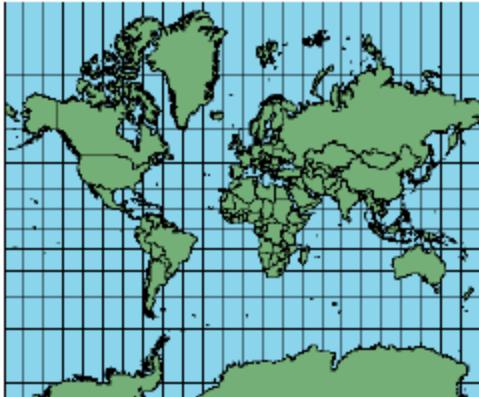
Earth intersects the cylinder on two small circles. All points along both circles have no scale distortion.

## Transverse Mercator



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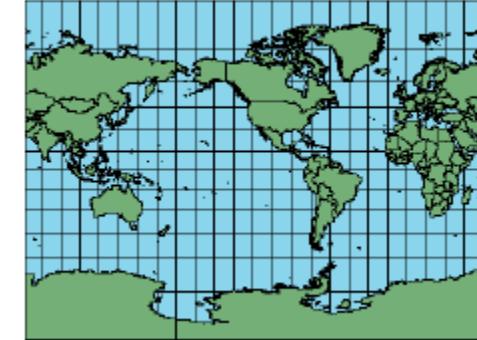
# Common cylindrical projections



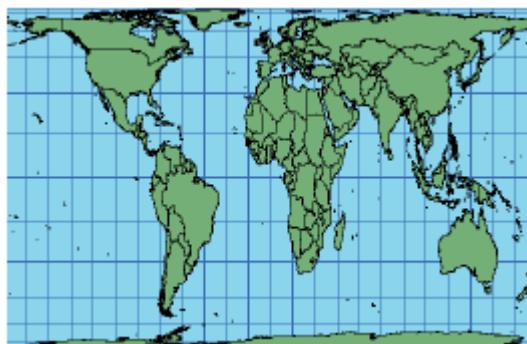
Mercator



Transverse Mercator

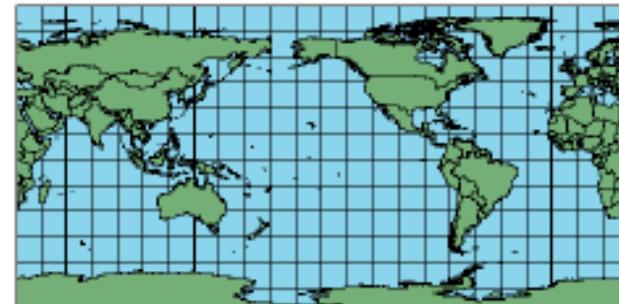


Miller Cylindrical



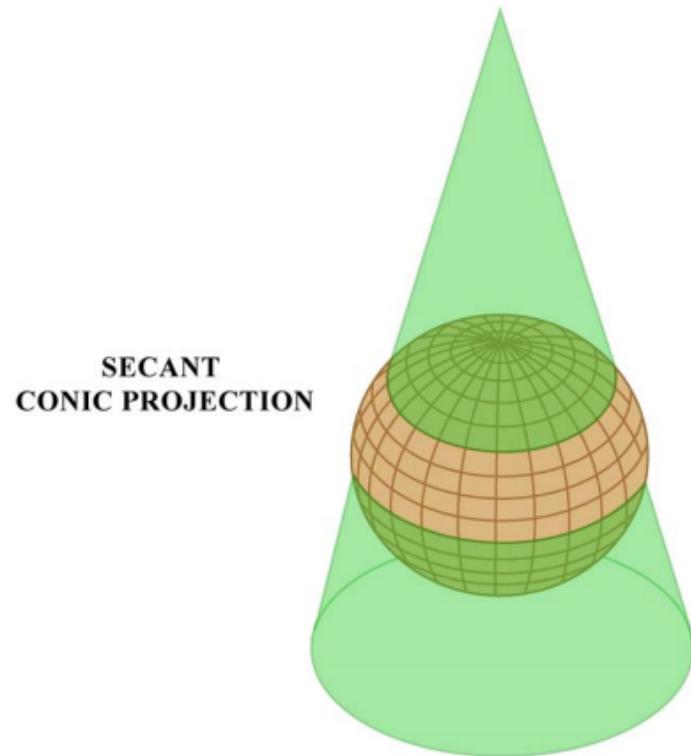
Cylindrical Equal Area

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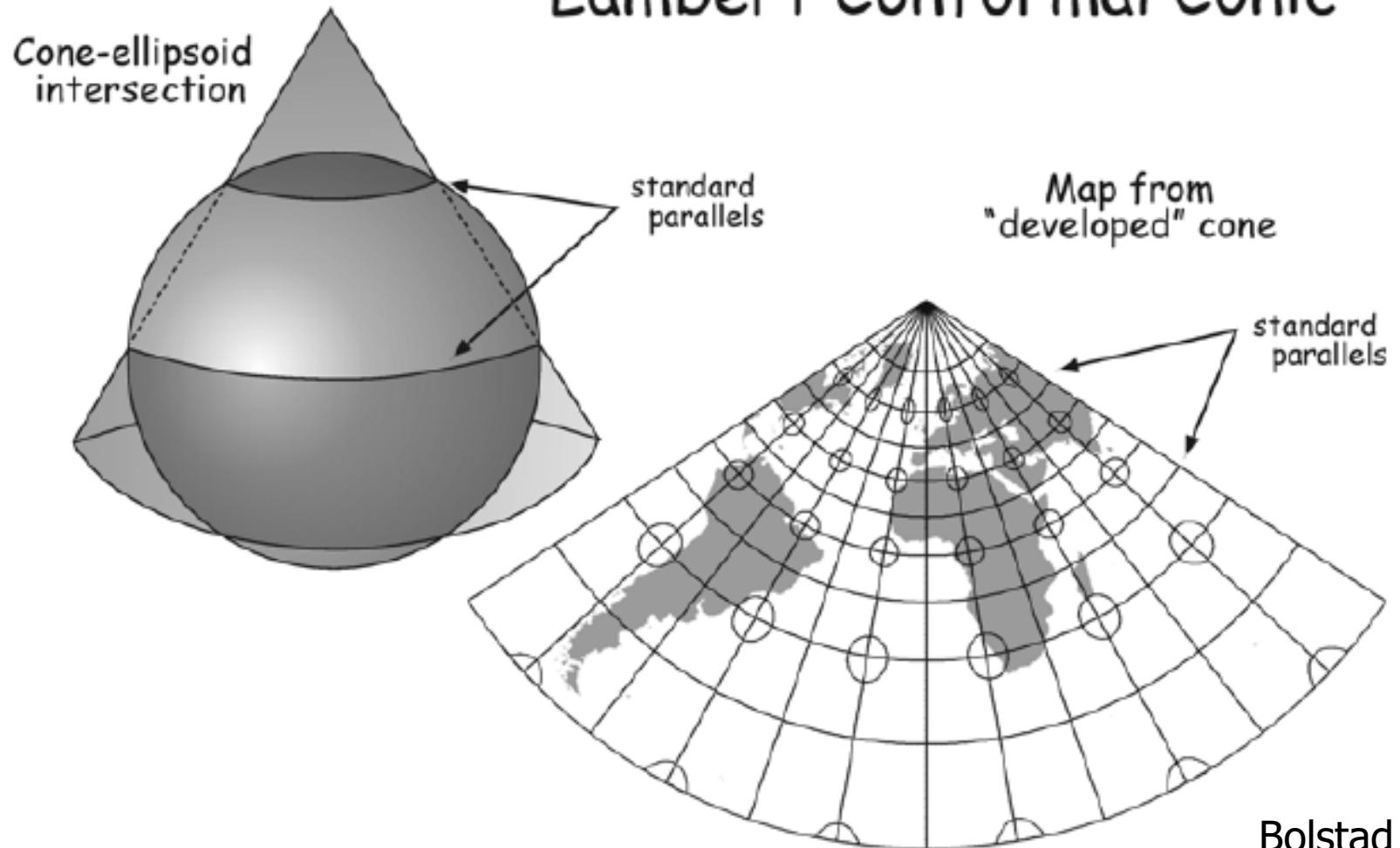
Equirectangular

# Conic surface



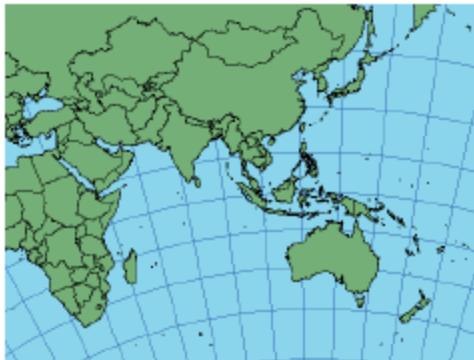
Earth intersects the cone at two circles.  
all points along both circles have no scale distortion.

# Lambert Conformal Conic



Bolstad 2002

# Common conic projections



Lambert Conformal Conic



Equidistant Conic

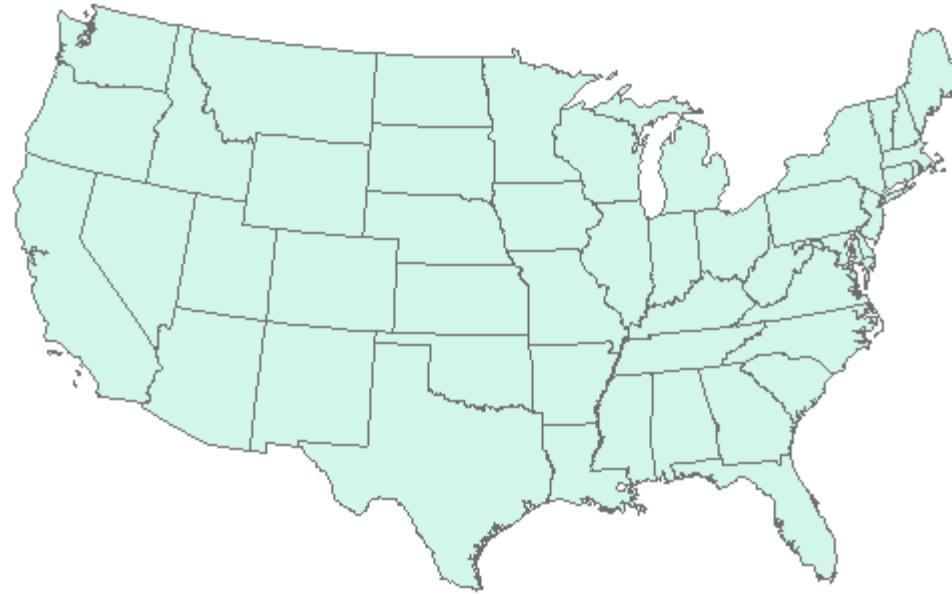


Albers Equal Area  
Conic



Polyconic

# Conic projection implemented



Contiguous 48 states represented as we are accustomed to seeing them and areas are approximately accurate

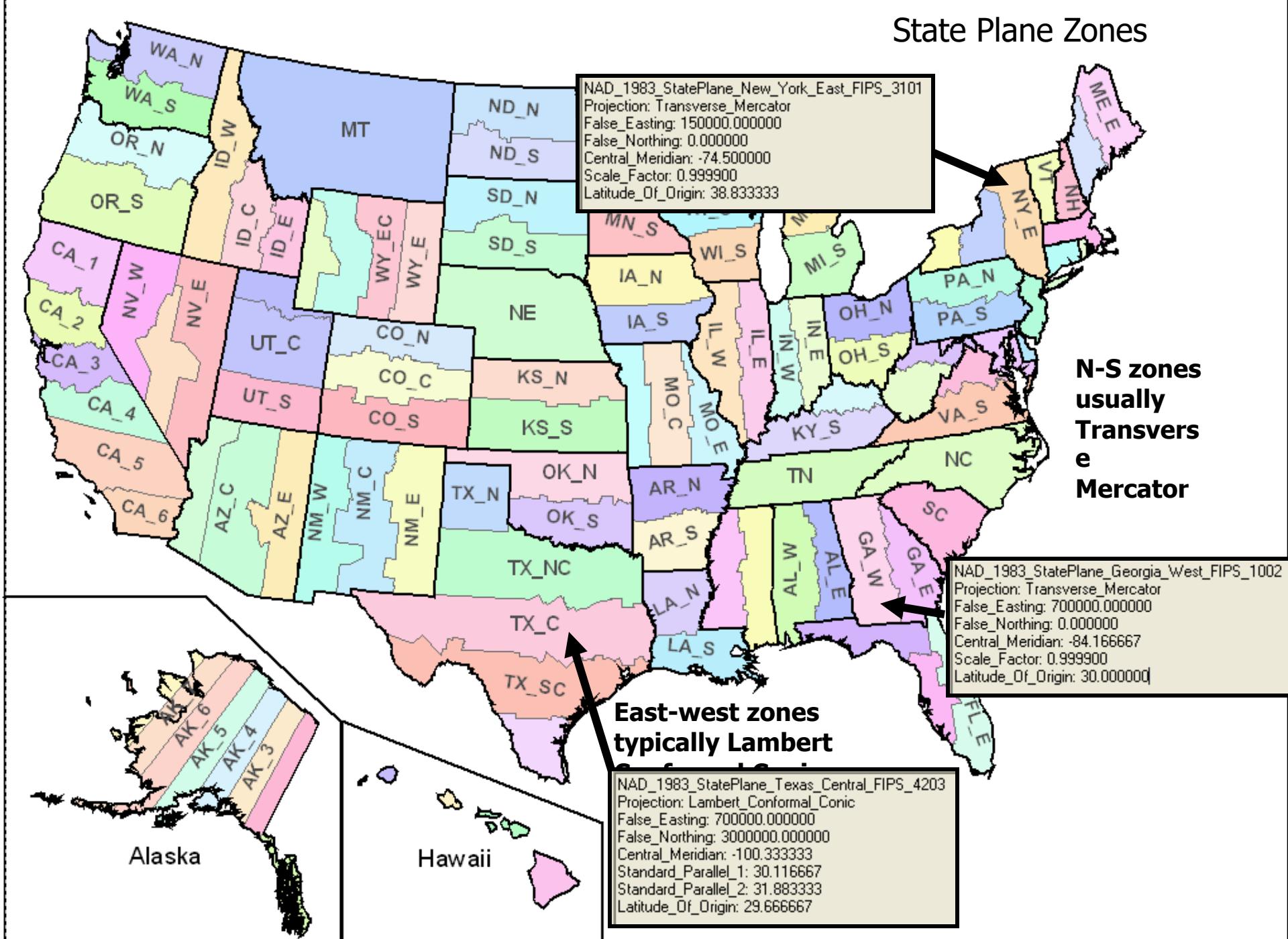
# State Plane System

- States divided into one or more zones
- A projection and parameters are established for each zone to achieve desired accuracy
  - Transverse Mercator, Lambert Conformal Conic, and Oblique Mercator are standard projections used
- Several varieties in common use
  - State Plane NAD 1927 uses feet
  - State Plane NAD 1983 uses meters
  - Some choose to use NAD 1983 (feet)

NAD\_1983\_StatePlane\_Hawaii\_3\_FIPS\_5103  
Projection: Transverse\_Mercator  
False\_Easting: 500000.000000  
False\_Northing: 0.000000  
Central\_Meridian: -158.000000  
Scale\_Factor: 0.999990  
Latitude\_Of-Origin: 21.166667

NAD\_1983\_StatePlane\_Texas\_Central\_FIPS\_4203  
Projection: Lambert\_Conformal\_Conic  
False\_Easting: 700000.000000  
False\_Northing: 3000000.000000  
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Standard\_Parallel\_2: 31.883333  
Latitude\_Of-Origin: 29.666667

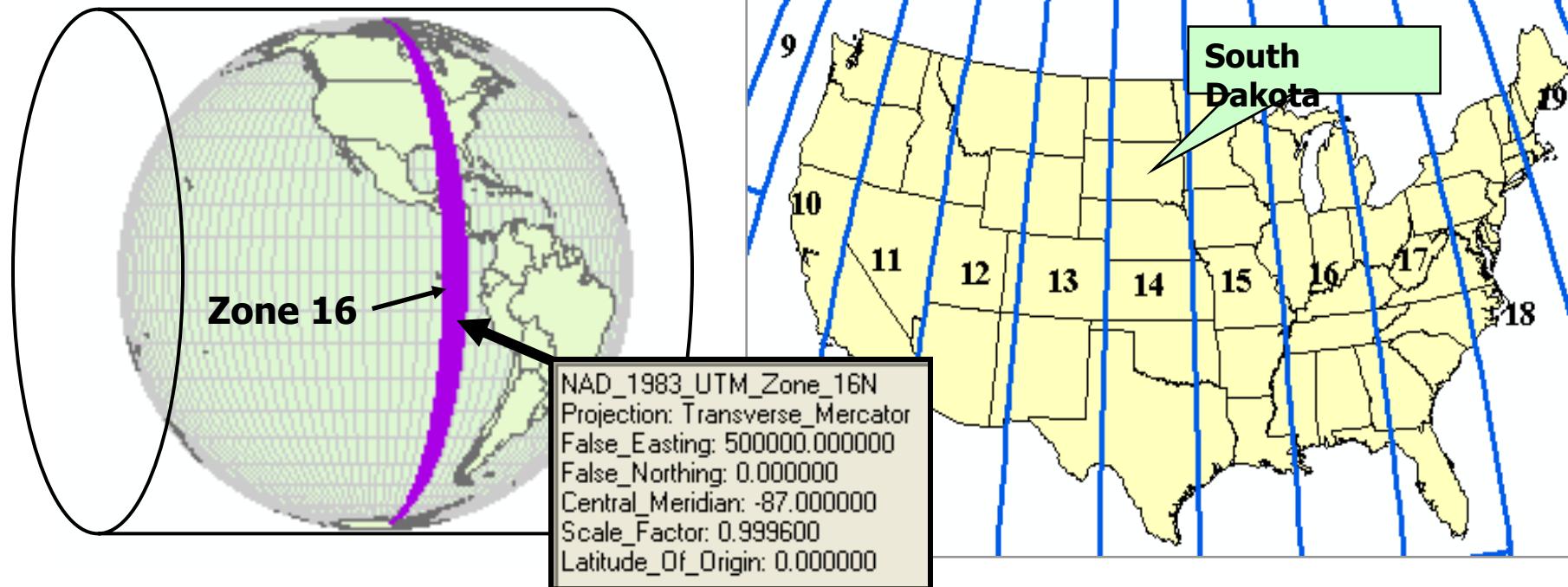
# State Plane Zones



# UTM Coordinate System

- Used as a global coordinate system based on the transverse Mercator projection
  - Divides the earth into zones that are 6 degrees of longitude wide.
- This system is used for study areas spanning large regions

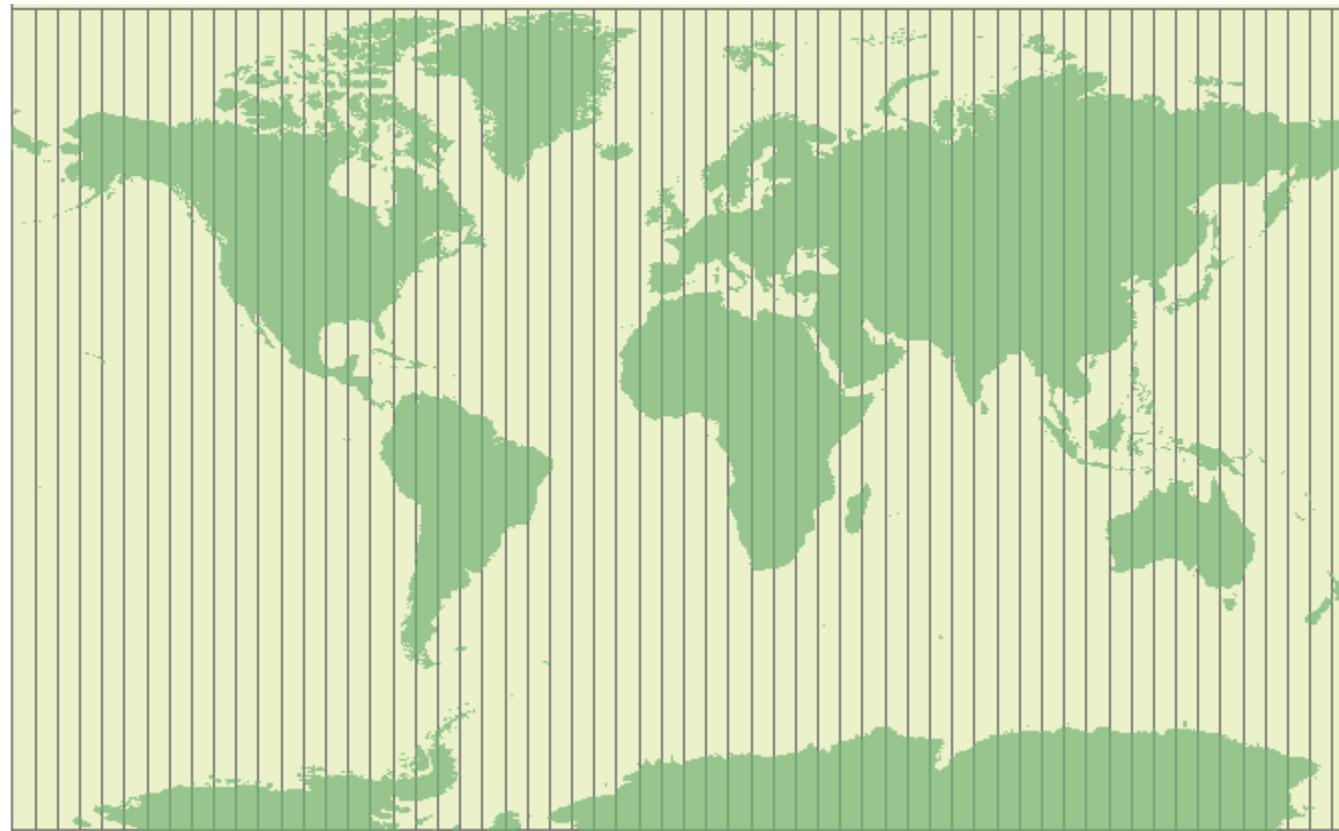
# Universal Transverse Mercator



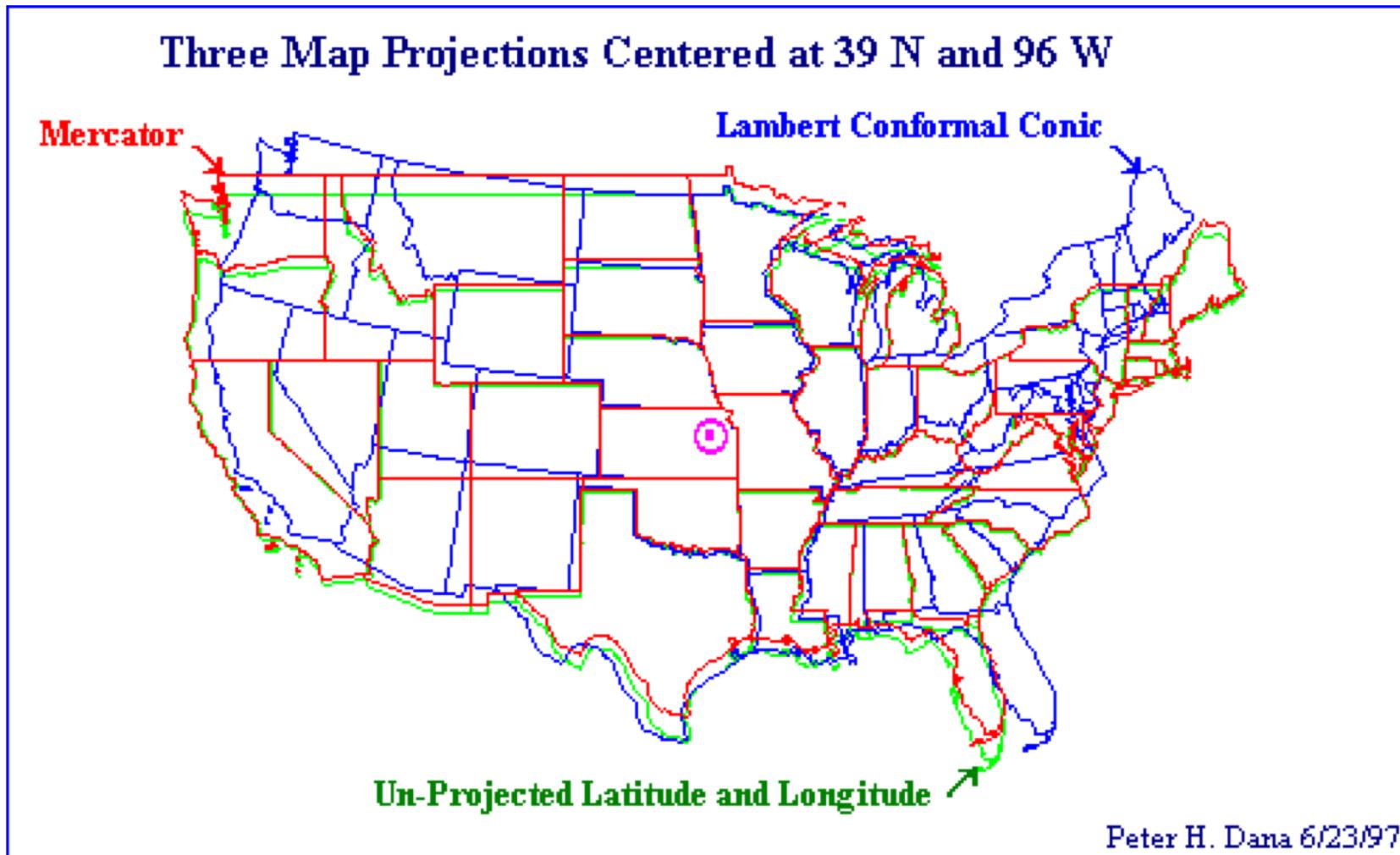
- Based on Transverse Mercator (cylindrical) projection
- Distortion is minimal within each zone
- Maps of different areas use best zone

# UTM zones

Numbered 1 through 60 from Longitude 180

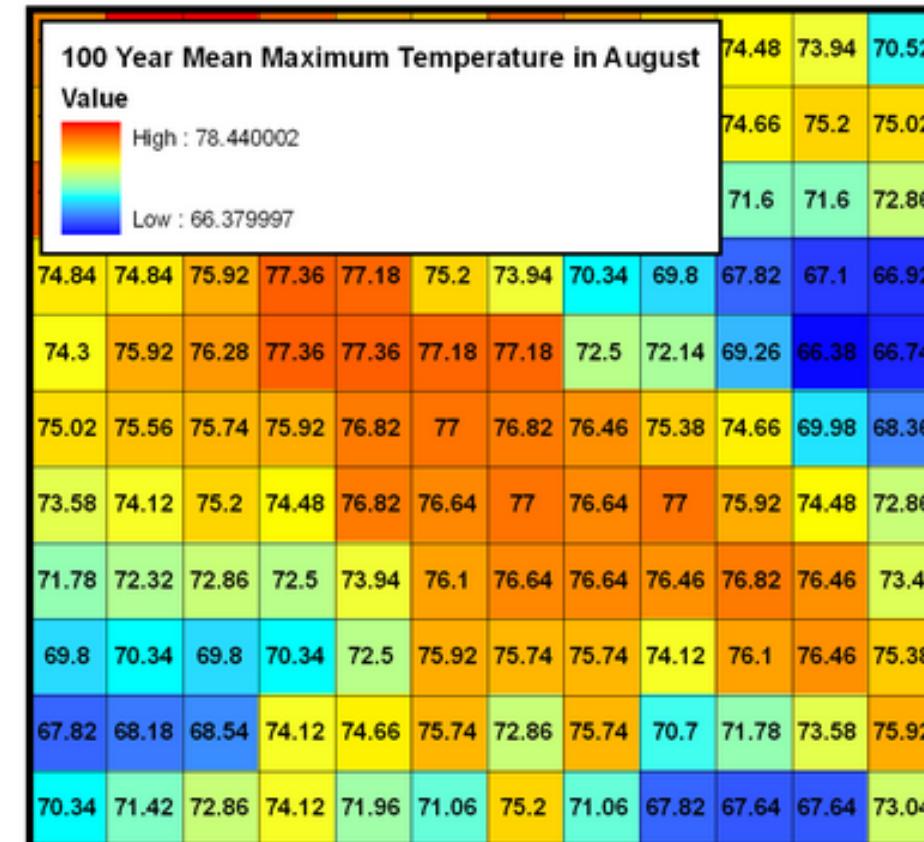


# How Different are these map projections?



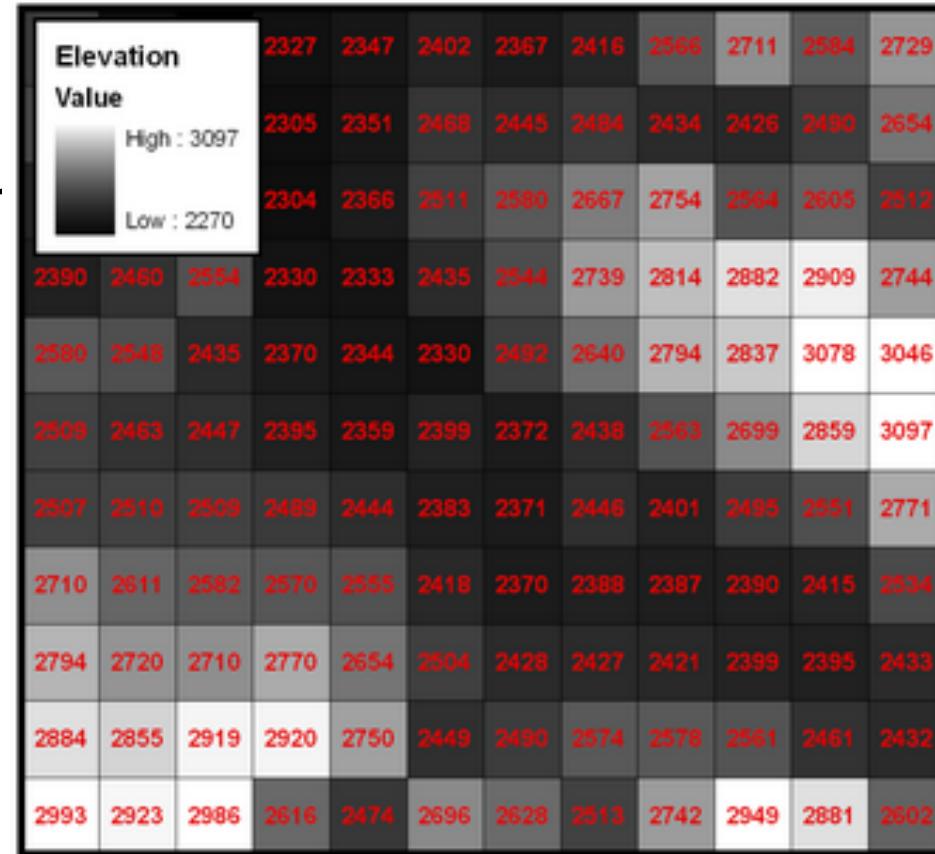
# The Raster Data Model

- The Raster Data Model is used to model spatial phenomena that vary continuously over a surface and that do not have discrete dimension
  - Elevation
  - Temperature
  - Rainfall
  - Noise Levels



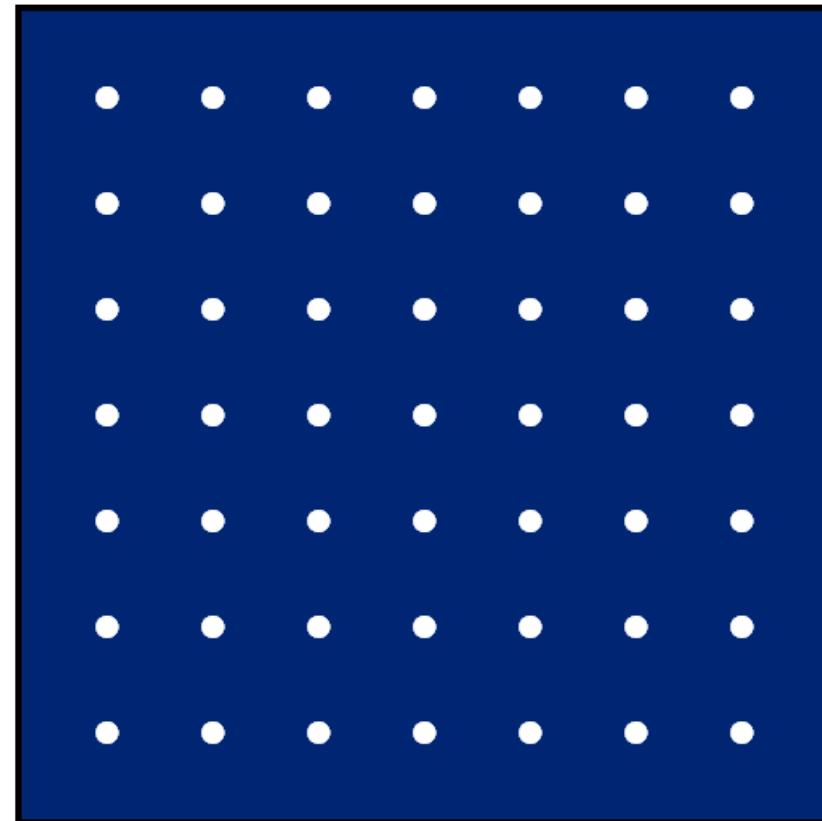
# Surfaces Have Numeric Values

- Things like elevation, temperature, slope and precipitation have measurable values for any particular location on the earth's surface.



# Surfaces Have Numeric Values

- To model these phenomena, an area of interest is divided into an array of identically sized squares
- The centers of these squares then become the ‘sample points’



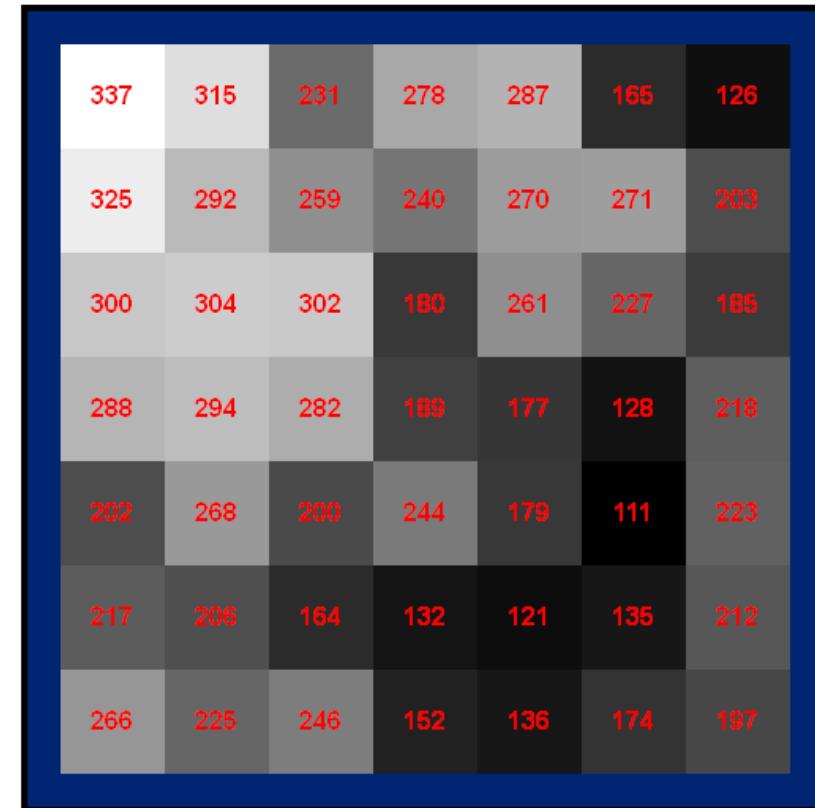
# Surfaces Have Numeric Values

- The values of the variable of interest are recorded, or estimated, at each of the sample points.

337	315	231	278	287	165	126
325	292	259	240	270	271	203
300	304	302	180	261	227	185
288	294	282	189	177	128	218
202	268	200	244	179	111	223
217	206	164	132	121	135	212
266	225	246	152	136	174	197

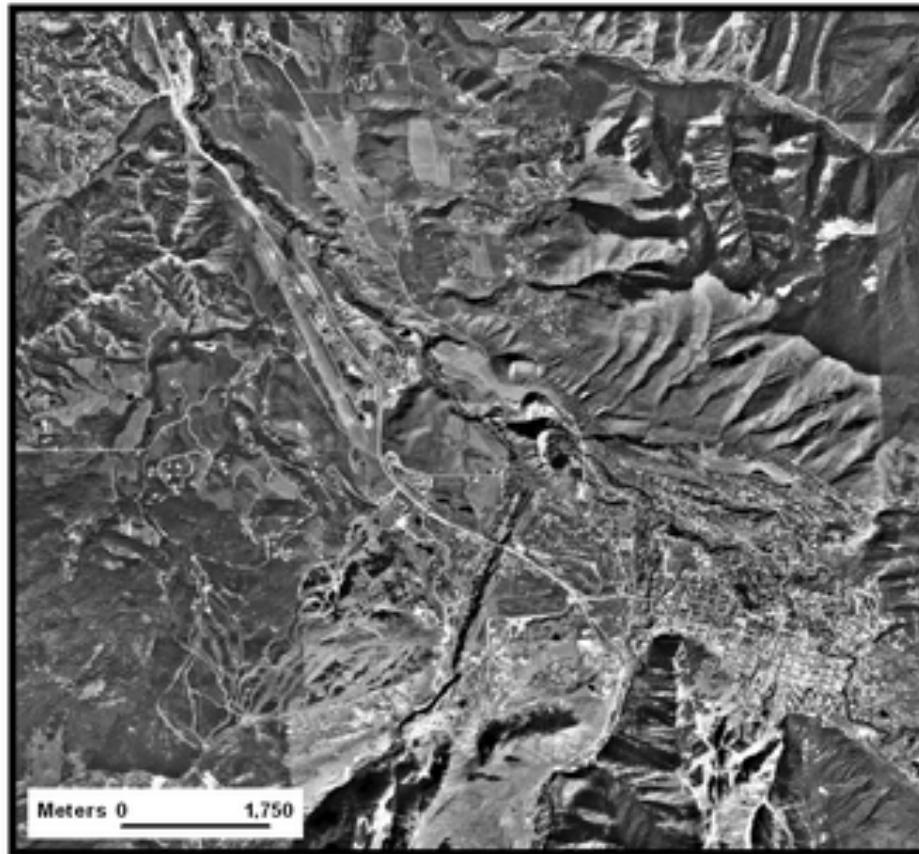
# Surfaces Have Numeric Values

- These values can then be assigned colors, or shades of gray, in order for them to be visualized



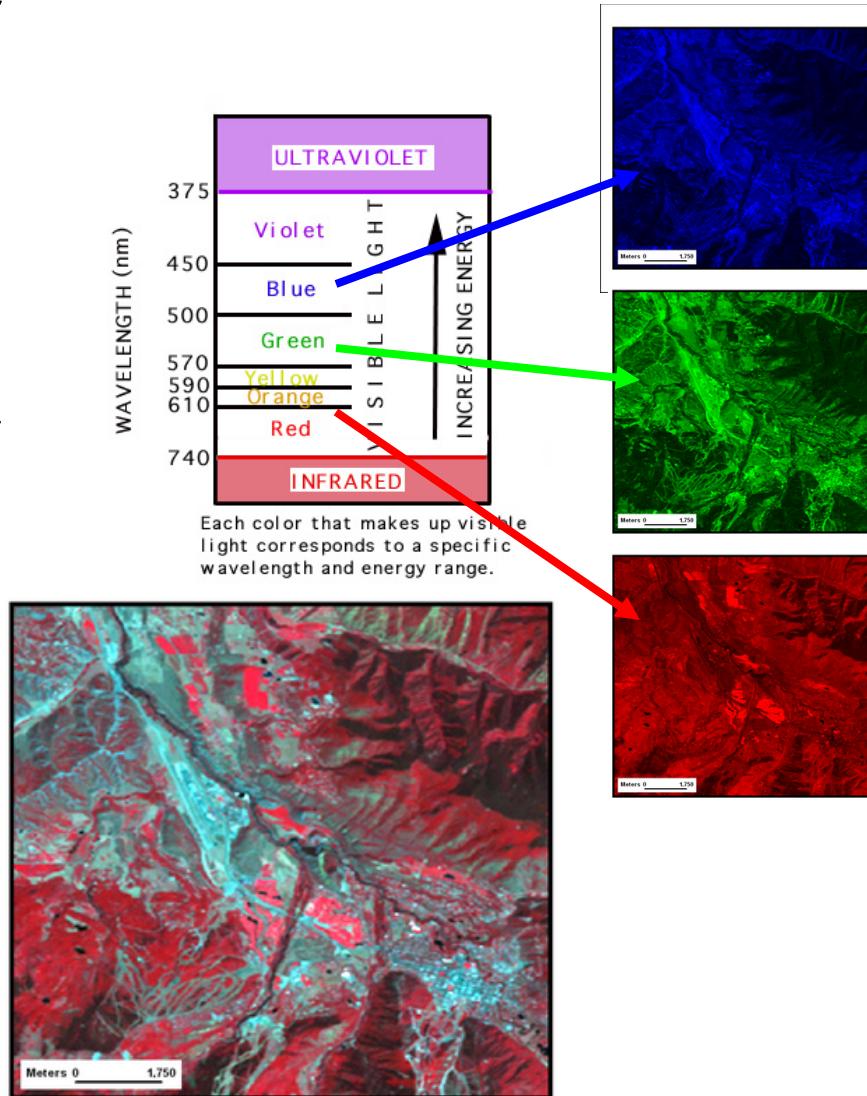
# Digital Photos

- The most familiar type of Raster Data is the **digital photograph**.
- **Digital Photos** are raster datasets that record the relative amount of light being reflected off of a surface.



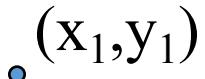
# Color Digital Photos

- Color Digital Photos are actually made up of three Raster Datasets, each of which describes the amount of reflected Red, Green & Blue light, respectively.
- These 3 raster datasets are combined (by the computer) into the R-G-B color image we are used to seeing.

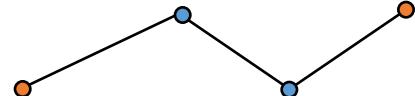


# Two fundamental ways of representing geography are discrete objects and fields.

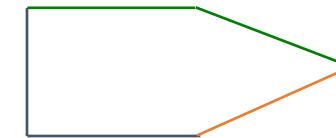
The **discrete object view** represents the real world as objects with well defined boundaries in empty space.



Points

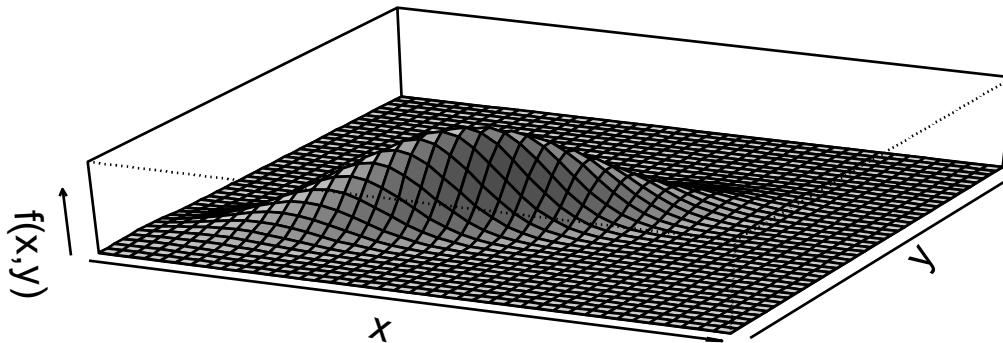


Lines



Polygons

The **field view** represents the real world as a finite number of variables, each one defined at each possible position.



Continuous surface

# Raster and Vector Data

Raster data are described by a cell grid, one value per cell

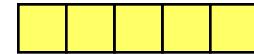
*Vector*

*Raster*

*Point*

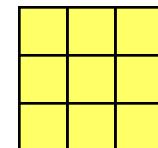


*Line*



Zone of cells

*Polygon*

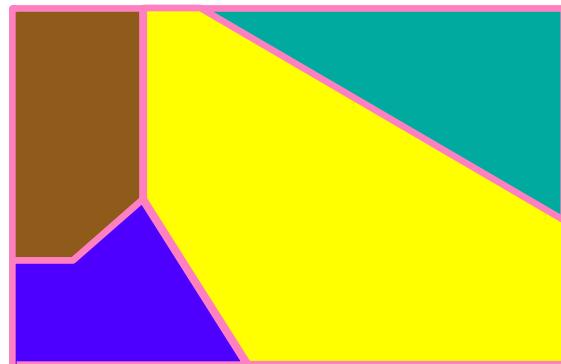


# Raster and Vector are two methods of representing geographic data in GIS

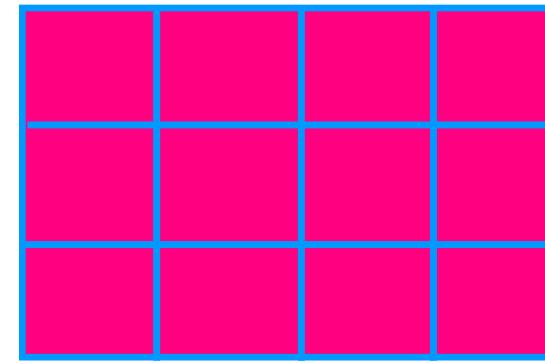
- Both represent different ways to **encode** and **generalize** geographic phenomena
- Both can be used to code **both** fields and discrete objects
- In practice a strong association between **raster and fields** and **vector and discrete objects**

# Vector and Raster Representation of Spatial Fields

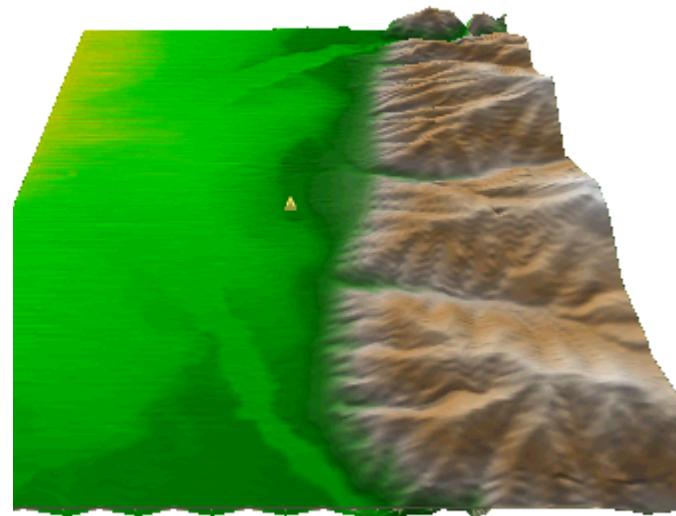
**Vector**



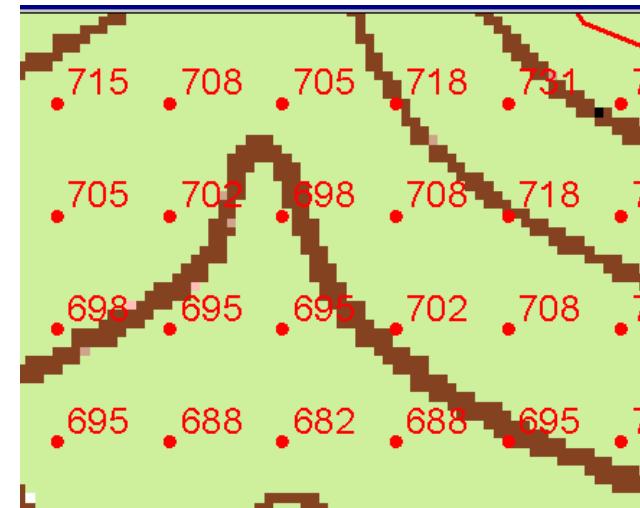
**Raster**



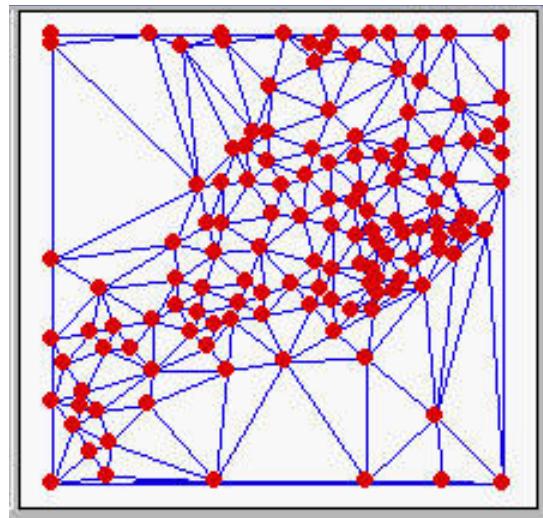
# Numerical representation of a spatial surface (**field**)



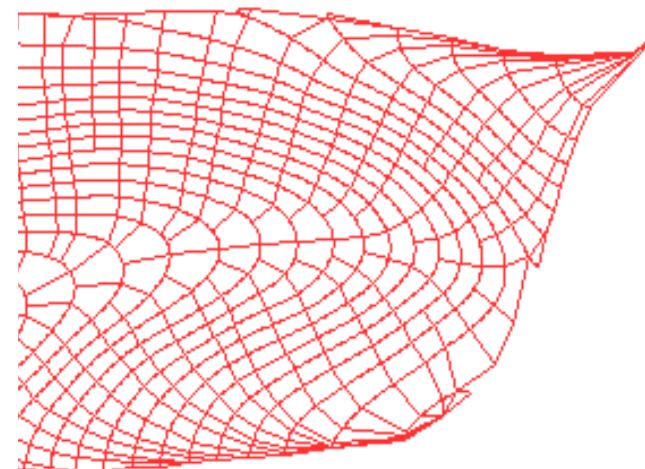
Grid



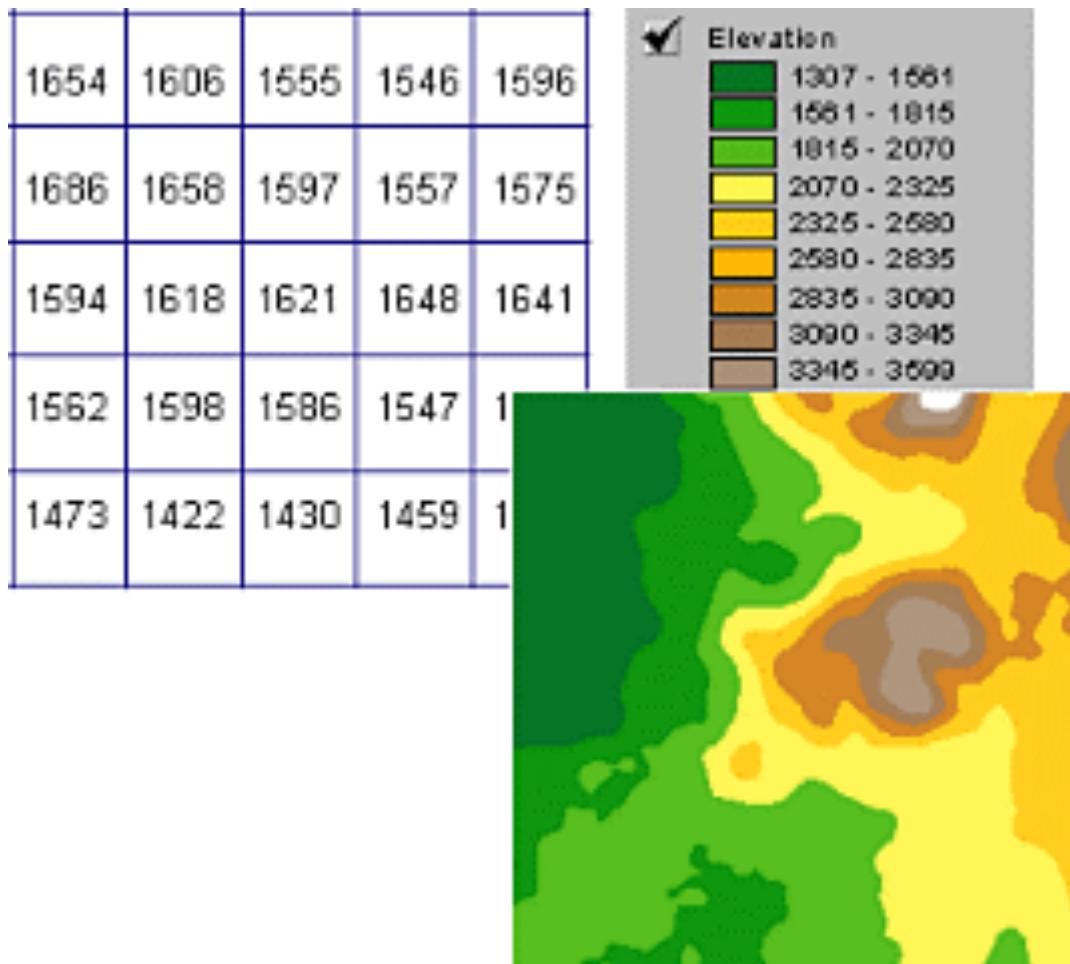
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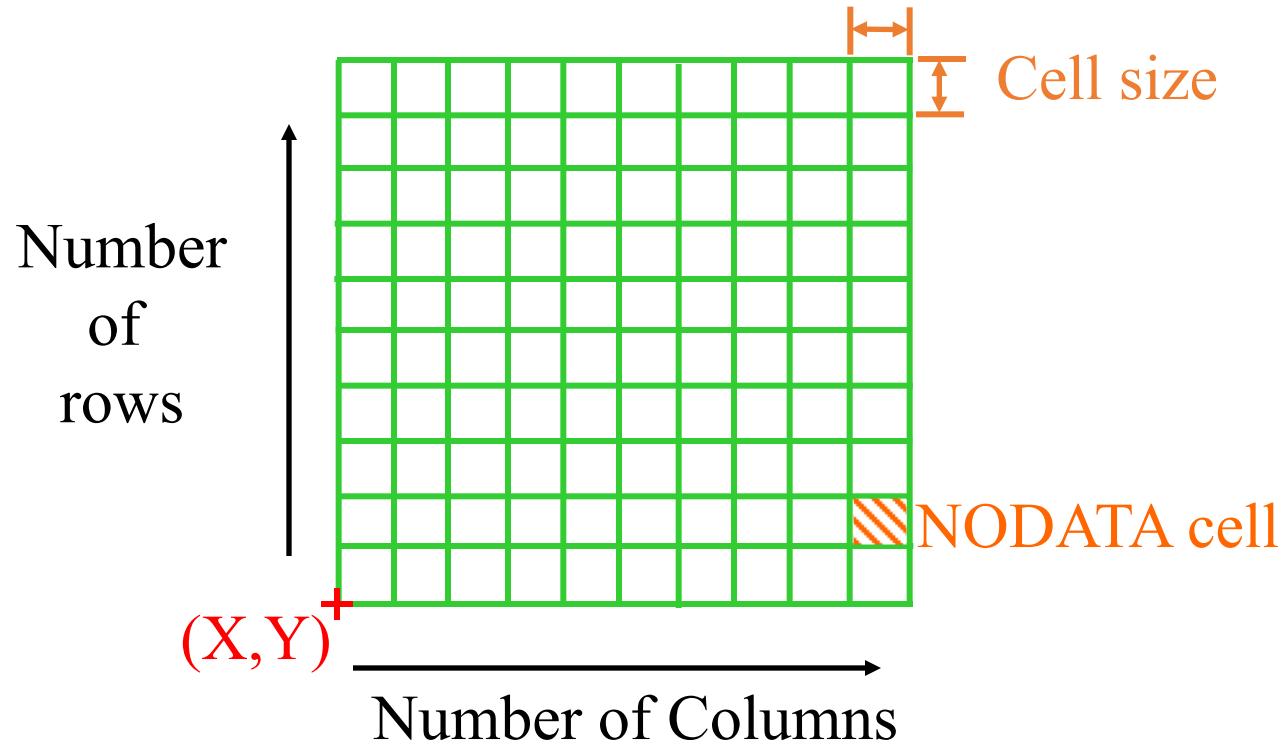
Contour and flowline



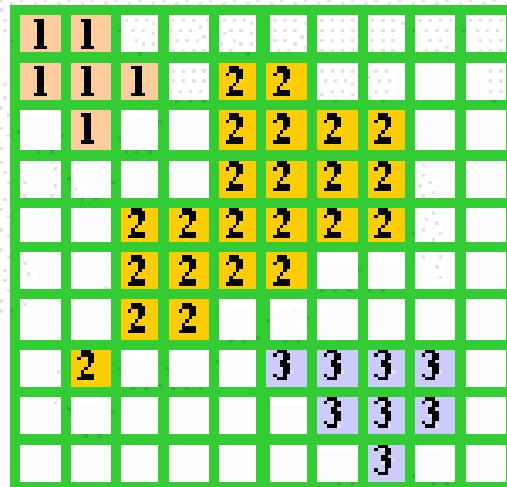
A **grid** defines geographic space as a matrix of identically-sized square cells. Each cell holds a numeric value that measures a geographic attribute (like elevation) for that unit of space.



# Definition of a Grid



# Value attribute table for categorical (integer) grid data



Treetype Grid



Value	Count	Type	Code
1	6	Maple	200
2	23	Oak	400
3	8	Pine	300

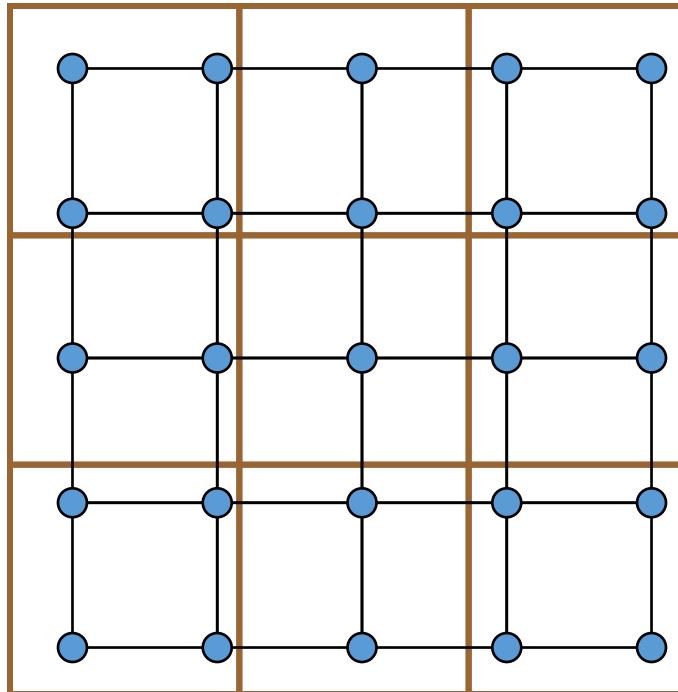
Treetype.vat

Attributes of grid zones

# Interpolation

Estimate values between known values.

A set of spatial analyst functions that predict values for a surface from a limited number of sample points creating a continuous raster.

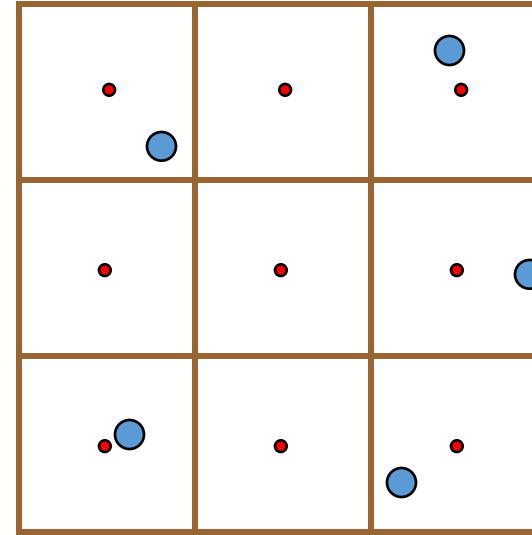


Apparent improvement in resolution may not  
be justified

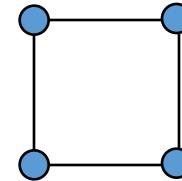
# Interpolation methods

- Nearest neighbor
- Inverse distance weight
- Bilinear interpolation
- Kriging (best linear unbiased estimator)
- Spline

$$z = \sum \frac{1}{r_i} z_i$$



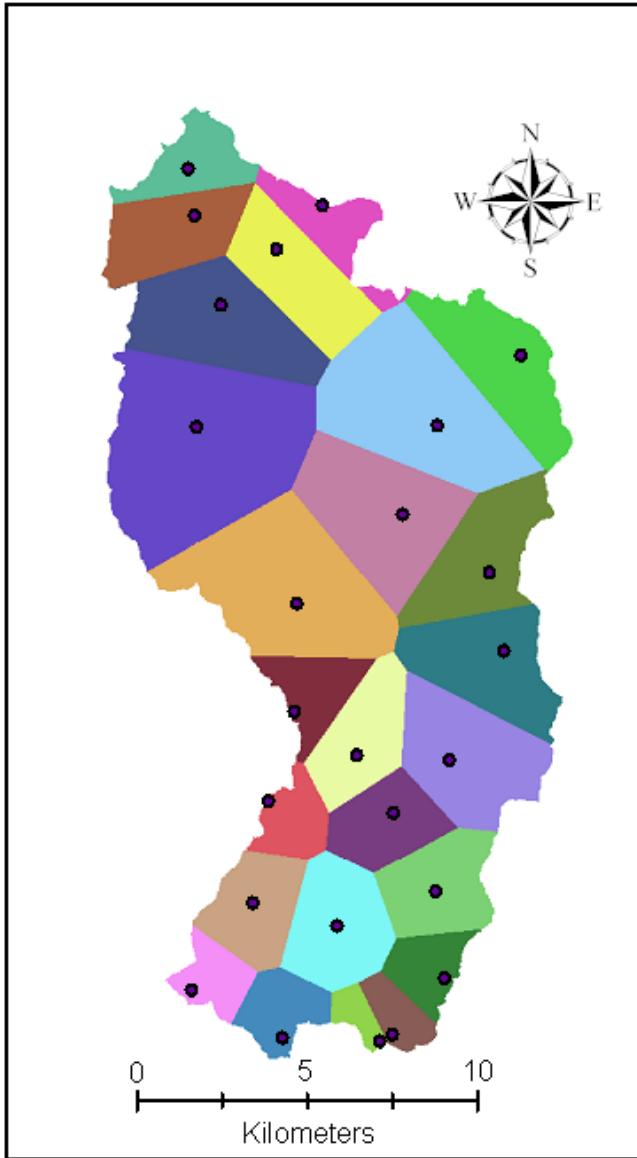
$$z = (a + bx)(c + dy)$$



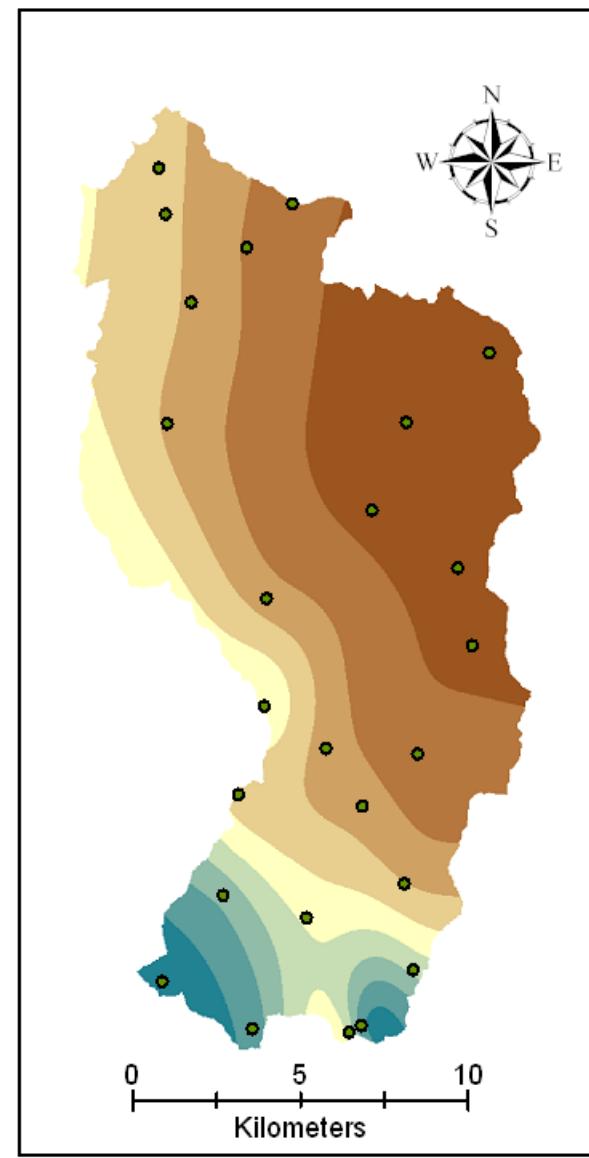
$$z = \sum w_i z_i$$

$$z = \sum c_i x^{e_i} y^{e_i}$$

Nearest Neighbor “Thiessen”  
Polygon Interpolation



Spline Interpolation



# Live Code Mapping Data

Tasks: Map our table of favorite places using the Marker class

```
Marker.map_table(t)
```

## Learning Outcomes

- Creating maps
- Using latitude and longitude

# Overlaid Charts

- It's often useful to look at multiple variables in a single chart.
- The code to do this looks like:

```
t.chart_method(column_label_of_common_axis,  
array_of_labels_of_variables_to_plot)
```

- But the datascience module can usually figure out the variables from the table automatically (omit the last argument).

**end**