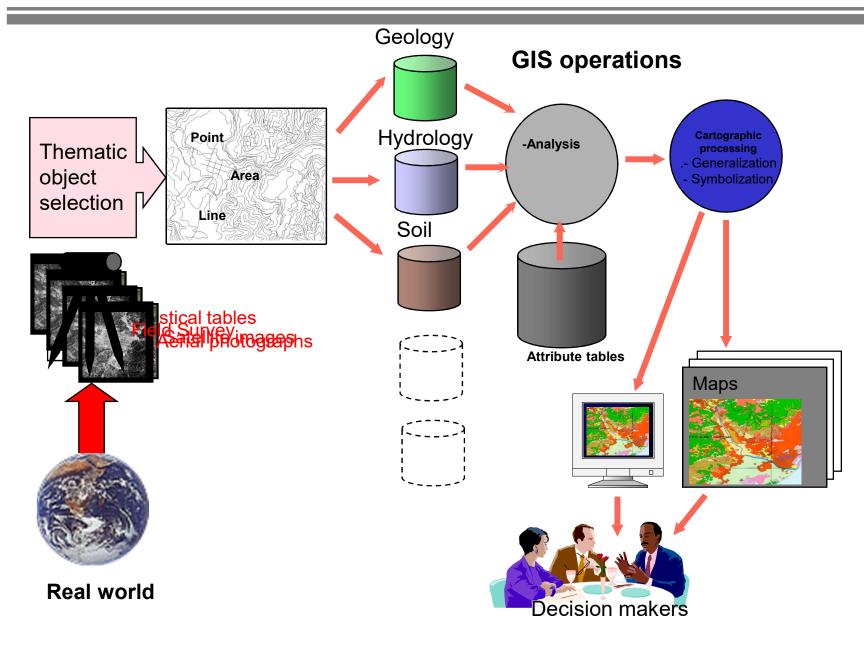
## Introduction to GIS

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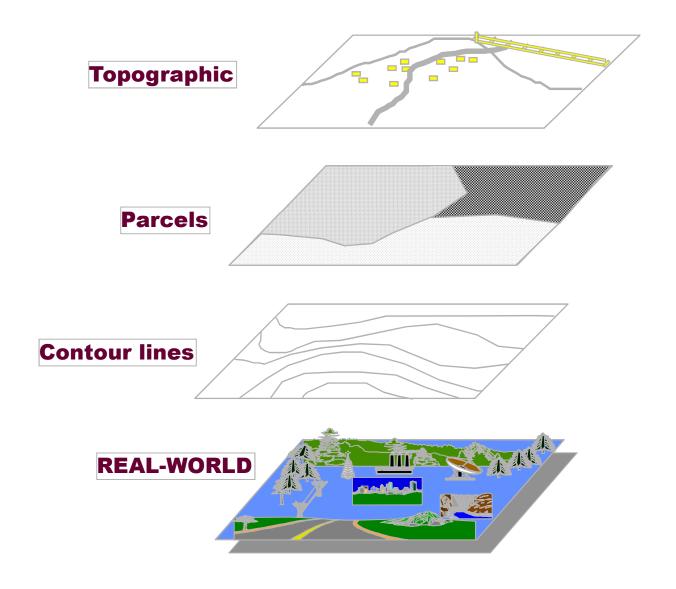
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Lecture 2

## **HOW GIS WORKS**



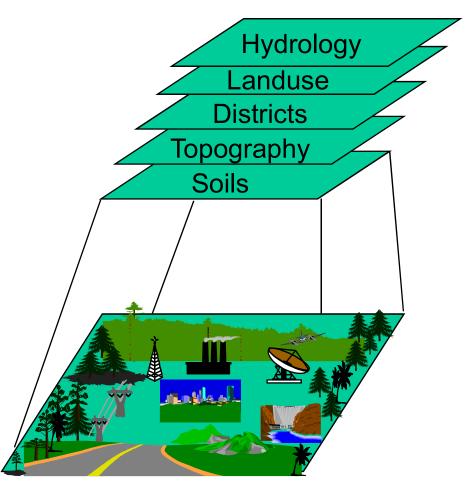
#### MAPS AND SPATIAL DATA



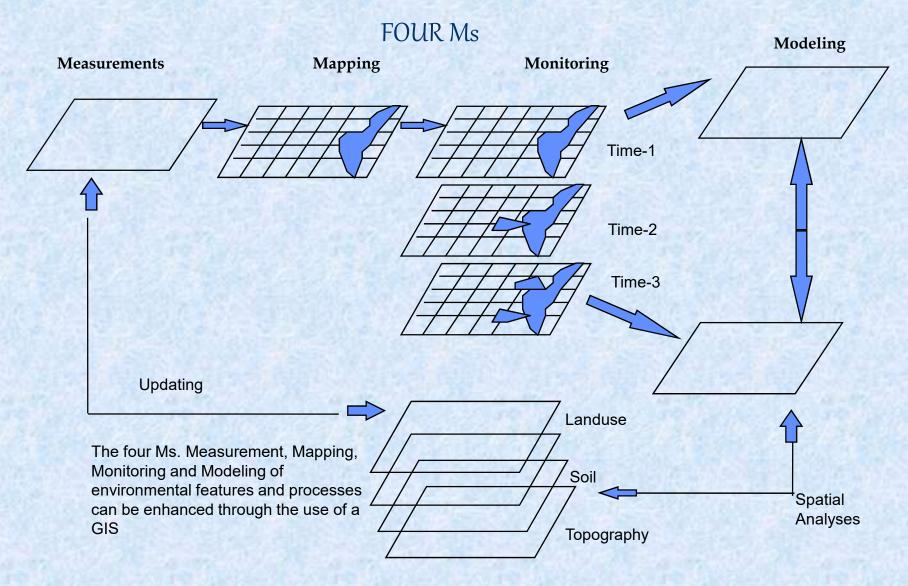
### **GIS**

A computer based system capable of holding and using data describing places on the earth's surface

The real world consists of many geographies which can be represented as a number of related data layers.



GIS IS SUPPORTING TOOL FOR DECISION MAKERS



**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM** 

Adapted from J.Stars and J.Estates

#### Why GIS?

- 70% of the information includes some geographical facts in the decision-making process
- Ability to assimilate divergent sources of data both spatial and non-spatial (attribute data)
- Visualisation impact
- Sharing of information
- Analytical capability in a spatial context

### GIS Historical Development

**Computer Science** 

**Earth Science** 

CAD/CAM

Geography

**Remote Sensing** 

**Military Studies** 

GIS

Spatial Mathematics

**Urban Planning** 

Surveying and Photogrammetry

**Cartography** 

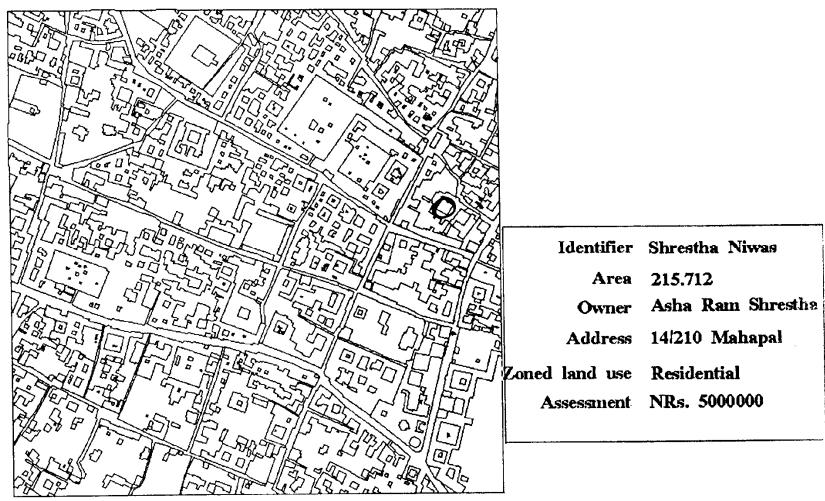
**Civil Engineering** 

## Questions a GIS can answer

- Location
- Condition
- Trends
- Patterns
- Modelling

#### GIS Questions - Locations - What is at ... ?

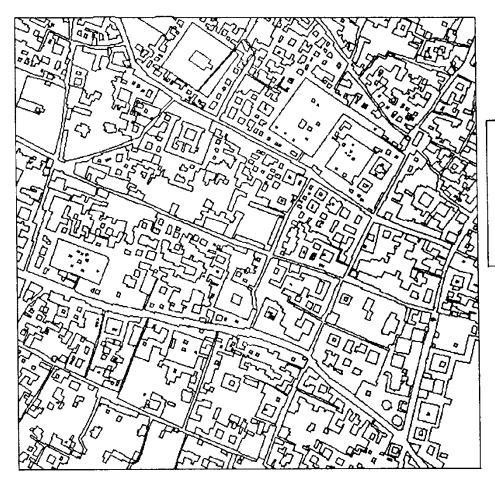
Mangal Bazar, Lalitpur District



Who owns the land at Mangal Bazar, and its assessment?

#### GIS Questions - Conditions - Where is it...?

Mangal Bazar, Lalitpur District

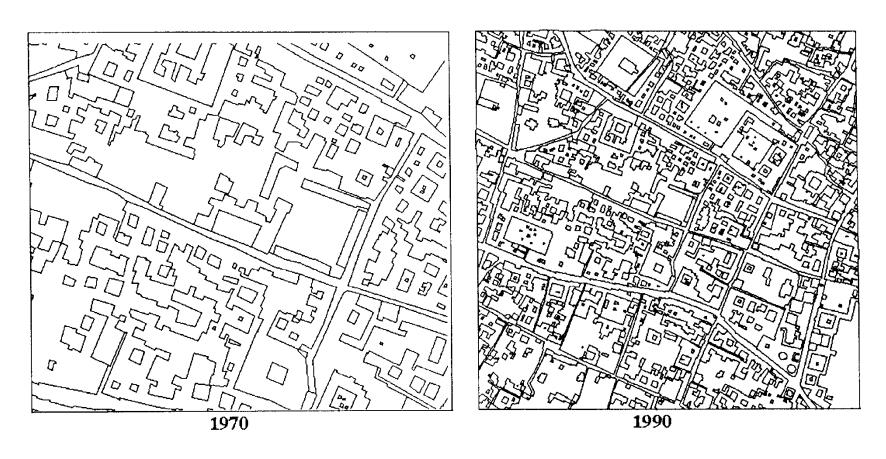


Residential Land use
Assessed at less than Rs. 500090
4 bedrooms
Made of local bricks

Where are houses located that you might consider buying?

#### GIS Questions - Trends - What has changed since...?

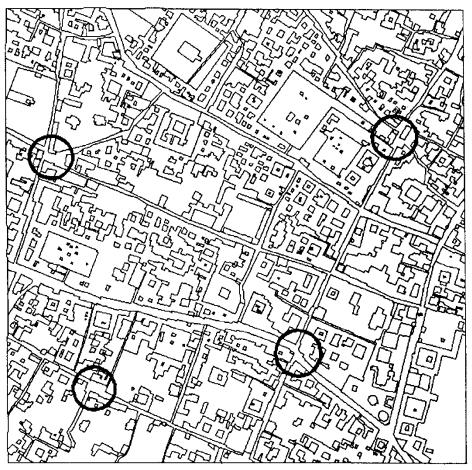
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How much land has used for residential area since 1970 ?

#### GIS Questions - Patterns - What data are related...?

Mangal Bazar, Lalitpur District



What kind of patterns exist for vehicle accidents ?

### Geographic Data



# Types of GIS

- Vector GIS
- Raster GIS
- · Hybrid GIS

Technology is moving towards hybrid GIS
Raster Vector Integration

#### Vector Representation

#### **The Vector Data Model**

#### **Features of Spatial Object**

**Points** (Example : Location of house)

Lines(Example : Railway)

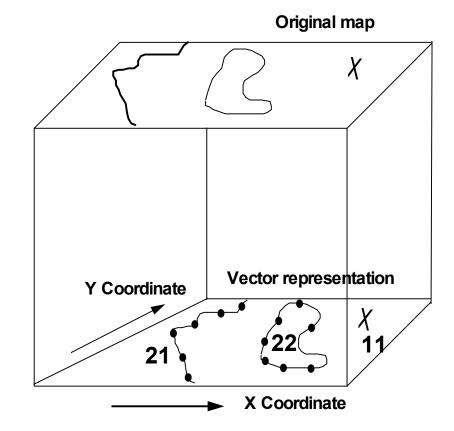
**Polygon**s (Examples : Forest area)

The location of features on the earth's surface are referred to map positions using an XY coordinate system (termed a Cartesian Coordinate System).

PointA Singly XY pair **Line**Series of XY pair

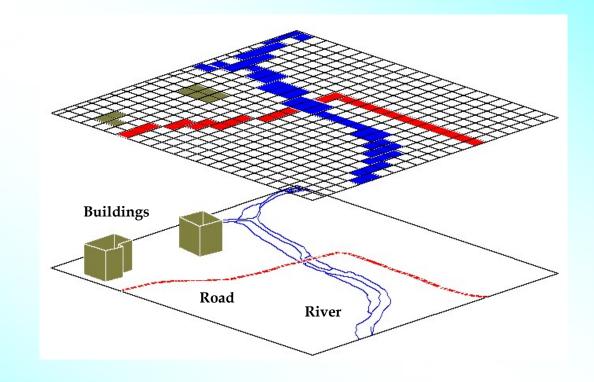
**Polygon**A closed loop of XY coordinate pairs that define

the boundary



#### Raster Representation

- Row
- Column
- Cell Size
- Resolution

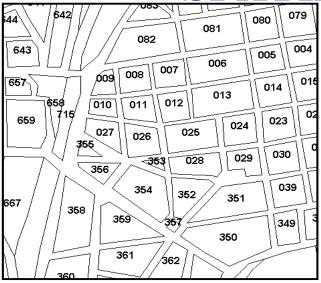


#### Attribute Data

District Name	Area	Population
Peshawar	395 sq. km.	6,75,341
Swabi	385 sq. km.	2,57,086
Dir lower	119 sq. km.	1,72,952

- Industry Information
  Industry Information
- Agriculture Census
  Education and Health

#### Map: City blocks SPATIAL AND NON-SPATIAL DATA



City blocks	Land use
001	Institutional
002	Commercial
003	Commercial
004	Residential
005	Residential
006	Residential
007	Industrial
800	Residential
009	Industrial
010	Industrial
011	Residential
012	Industrial
013	Residential
014	Residential
015	Residential

