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M.Tech. Remote Sensing and GIS

Course : 24MTRS-05 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

Unit-1 Basics of GIS

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24MTRS-05: GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

UNIT I Basics of GIS - Definition - Evolution of GIS - Geospatial, spatial and non-spatial data - Components of GIS -Computer Hardware, Software Modules and Organisational Context of GIS - Data Structure in GIS - Types of Data (Points, Lines and Polygons) - Data sources - Ground and remote sensing survey - Data Structures (Raster data structures and Vector data Structures) – Database Structures.. 12 Hrs.

UNIT II GIS Data Input, Verification, Storage and Output - Spatial Data Input Processes and Devices (Sources of data, - Different Types of Data Entry methods, viz., Manual input, Run length code, Digitization, Automated Scanning, etc. – Vector to Raster conversion - Raster to Vector conversion - Input devices) - Entry of non-spatial data – Linking of Spatial & Non-spatial data – Element generation - Geodatabase creation - Data Verification (Errors of different types) - Correction (Rubber Sheet Transformation, Bilinear interpolation, Cubic Convolution, etc.) - GIS capabilities for Data correction – Data output (Types of Output, GIS Capabilities for output, Output devices) - File formats for raster and vector. 14 Hrs.

UNIT III Raster and vector data Interpolation and Analyses - Raster data analysis: Local, neighborhood and regional operations - Map algebra - Vector data analysis: Topological analysis, point-in-polygon, line-in-polygon, polygon-in-polygon - Proximity analysis: Buffering, Thiessen polygon - Non topological analysis: Attribute data retrieval and analysis – Concepts of SQL – ODBC - Basic Principles of Interpolation – Methods of Interpolation - Global Methods of Interpolation, Local Interpolation (Trend Surface Analysis) – Local Interpolation (Splines) - Optimal Interpolation (Kriging). 12 Hrs.

UNIT IVSurface Analysis, 3D Visualization and Network Modelling - Need for Three Dimensional Models - Methods of
DEM & TIN - Products of DTM (Contour Maps, Shaded Relief Map, Maps Related to Slopes, Line Sight Maps, Drainage
Analysis, Volume Estimation etc.) Usefulness of DEM/DTM. Overlay analysis, Capabilities (Point Operations, Regional
Operations, Neighbourhood Operations) - Networking and Dynamic Segmentation – Applications, Minimum Distance Model,
Maximum Covering Model (P-median model), Urban Transportation Planning Model.14 Hrs.

UNIT V Data Classification & Advanced GIS - Principles – Types of Classification (Exogenous, Arbitrary, Idiographic & Serial) – Multivariate Analysis. Artificial Intelligence - Expert Systems - Object Oriented GIS - Web based GIS: Definition, merits - Architecture - Map server - Spatial data infrastructure - Spatial data standards - Free and open source - Proprietary GIS software. 12 Hrs.

UNIT VI Current Contours – GIS - Case studies (Not for Final Exam only for Discussion) - Recent scientific and technological development, advancement, Industrial application and Job opportunities.

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OBJECTIVE

To understand the fundamentals, data handling, analysis techniques, and advanced applications of Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

COURSE OUTCOMES

- The concepts of GIS, including data types, components, and data structures.
- Develop proficiency in GIS data input, verification, storage, and output processes.
- Gain knowledge in raster and vector data analysis, including interpolation methods and proximity analysis.
- Understand three-dimensional modeling, surface analysis, and network modeling techniques.
- Explore classification methods, AI integration, web-based GIS, and the use of open-source and proprietary GIS software.

Evolution of GIS

During the 1960s & 1970s, new trends arose

- Computer assisted cartography Application of computer methods to larger and larger scales mapping,
- Use of mapped data for resource assessment, land evaluation and planning by simple spatial overlay analyses (SYMAP – Synagraphic MAPping program)
- Manipulating them to produce choropleth or isoline interpolations from point data and
- Displaying the results in many ways overprinting of lineprinter characters to produce suitable grey scales, preparing films for printing maps.



Fig. 1.3 Geographical information systems are the result of linking parallel developments in many separate spatial data processing disciplines.

- **Burrough PA (1986)**. Principles of Geographic Information Systems for Land Resources Assessment.

- GRID and IMGRID grid-cell / raster mapping programs
- Computer programs in the automation of existing manual techniques such as data capture (Remote Sensing technology based surveying and photogrammetry), data analysis and presentation.
- During 1980s GIS was emerged with more expectations represent a model of the real world – test bed for studying environemental processes / analysing the results of trends / anticipating the possible results of planning decisions..... ^{12/24/2024} 5

Why do we need GIS?

It is necessary to have a customized and automated digital spatial platform wherein we do:

- Mapping of surface / space / subsurface properties in 2D / 3D
- Analysing of spatial data, Routing to a new area, Vehicle Tracking
- Modelling of actual Earth System Processes that are responsible for ongoing activities strategically and preparing pragmatic action plans immediately through
 - Database generation, storage and manipulation digitally
 - Visualizing, analyzing, comparing, modelling, predicting, forecasting, representing and sharing of data and information by all
- Calibrating the model developed and Validating the results &
- Implementing the results pragmatically & monitoring impacts.

1.1 GIS: Defined simply

A computerised spatial information system on resources and hazards

GIS can also be defined based on it's **Capabilities or** Virtues or Usefulnesses or Credibilities

Virtues of GIS

1. GIS Can hold large amount of geospatial data / maps and non-spatial / aspatial data

Geospatial data / maps

Non spatial / Attribute / Aspatial data



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2. GIS can Store, Edit, Manage, Manipulate and Retrieve data / maps





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6. GIS can Display data (Output) in multiple forms - Maps, Charts, Histograms, 3D visualized outputs, DEM, Fly through models, etc,.



Charts





3D - DEM

3D - DTM











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7. GIS Can do many more operations / Analyses like add, subtract, multiply, divide, square, buffer, corridor, integrate multiple layers, etc.



NETWORK ANALYSIS



Route Identification







Slope Categories, Slope Length, 3D Flythrough, Inter-visibility / Line-of-sight Analysis. etc. 12/24/2024 GIS DrPalanivelK BOLL

DRAINAGE ANALYSIS



Identification of drainages, Demarcation of drainage basins, Watershed mapping, Runoff estimation, etc.

TIME SERIES ANALYSIS

TREND SURFACE ANALYSIS

Change detection, Pattern of change, Modelling,

Simulation...



10. CUSTOMIZATION

Building up of new working environments through programming in GIS as backend using frontends such as VB, Dartnet, Python, etc.

11. AUTOMATION

GIS Can provide AUTOMATION OF SEVERAL ANALYSIS COMPONENTS FOR VARIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES / DISASTERS MITIGATION

For, example,

AUTOMATED RUNOFF ESTIMATION MODEL can do,

- Delineation of drainages and watersheds from elevation raster data,
- Generation of Rainfall map from rain gauge stations through websites
- Generation of Hydrological soil group map from pre-existing data
- Generation of Landuse / Land cover map from satellite data

 preparation of watershed wise calculation of all above parameters, and finally Runoff Estimation by applying the values into the formula, automatically.
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- Open source GIS
- Non-Commercialisation
- Increase data usability
- Decrease work duplication
- Easy access by GIS community
- Quick and easy planning during crisis

12.b GIS can provide Spatial Decision Support System (SDSS) for various developmental planning

- User defined, query based, spatial data retrieval / map display
- Display of non spatial data by linking spatial data
- Data listing, map wrapping

Programming for automated mapping, spatial database generation, spatial / tabular analysis, spatial modeling and suggestion of remedial measures / providing action plan map, etc.





NRDMS SDSS

Capability based definition of GIS

GIS is a computerized / digital system for

- Capturing / generating,
- editing,
- manipulating,
- systematically storing,
- analyzing,
- integrating,
- modeling,
- visualizing,
- sharing,
- <u>retrieving</u>, and
- representing / displaying

huge quantity of both spatial and associated attribute data with

customization and automation capabilities.

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1.2 ADVANTAGES OF GIS over

Manual Cartography

- 1. All data can be stored in digital formats in computer
- 2. It occupies less space in contrast to very larger maps and data sheets
- 3. Data / maps doesn't shrink or damage
- 4. Does not require large storage cabins
- 5. Data searching and retrieval is easy

6. Preferential filtering of selective data

→ From the set of various road type digitised with labels separately as:

- * National Highways
- * State Highways
- * District roads alone
- * Village roads metalled
- * Village roads unmetalled, etc.,
- the planner required roads for further developmental activity can alone (for e.g., VILLAGE ROADS - Unmetalled alone) be retrieved / shown as preferential layer.

How GIS differs from other related Systems?

- **DBMS**—typical data base contains implicit but not explicit locational information
 - city, county, zip code, etc. but no geographical coordinates
 - is 100 N. High around the corner or across town from 200 E Main?
- Automated Mapping (AM) -- primarily two-dimensional display devices
 - thematic mapping (choropleth, etc., such as SAS/GRAPH, DIDS, business mapping software) unable to relate different geographical layers (e.g. Aadhaar & Location)
 - automated cartography--graphical design oriented; limited database ability

• Facility Management (FM) systems--

- lack spatial analysis tools
- **CAD/CAM** (computer aided design/drafting)--primarily 3-D graphic creation (engineering design) & display systems
 - don't reference via geographic location
 - CAD sees the world as a 3-D cube, GIS as a 3-D sphere
 - limited (if any) database ability (especially for non-spatial data)
- Scientific Visualization Systems--sophisticated multi-dimensional graphics, but:
 - lack database support
 - lack two-dimensional spatial analysis tools.

But **GIS** offers a holistic platform possessing all possibilities from DBMS, Map, 3D visualization, Spatial Analyses combined with Statistical Models, Networking, WebGIS, to QUBIS & SDSS, and its advancements.

IMAGINE

THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

- My village has got very good fertile soil, man power, facilities, etc.,
 - but, there is less rain.
- Undulating hilly terrain covered with dense vegetation looks like a green carpet—a scenic beauty - is my area,
 - now-a-days affected frequently by forest fire, soil erosion, landslides and flash floods.
- In my very calm and wealthy village,
 - due to continuous burglary / robbery problem in many nights of a month and also during day time recently, most people are decided to shift their families.

Some... more ... requirements.

- A Highway Patrol officer likes to know a feasible route to take the ambulance to the nearest hospital having a particular Life-saving-treatment Facility.
- A Forest Officer immediately wants to preserve the forest from a fast spreading tree disease.
- A Fireman has to reach the target within short time and to know about the water/other relevant facility therein nearby.
- A district level Planner (the Collector), plans to utilize the fund for development on priority basis.
- Election Commissioner, wants to *identify/install possible* booths based on the population, reacheability, etc.

Can GIS help in dealing the above

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Resource Management

- Resource Conservation
- Resource Exploitation
- Resource Planning Integrated and Sustainable manner
- Resource Estimation
- Resource Prospecting / Exploration
- Disaster Management
- Disaster Mitigation
- **Disaster Prevention**
- Disaster Inducing Parameter (s) Identification
- Disaster Vulnerability Assessment
- Disaster Relief fund distribution / Rehabilitation
- Disaster Damage Assessment

All the tasks can be dealt together? If yes, How? Using GIS – by exploring its capabilities. GIS_DrPalanivelK_BDU

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FUNDAMENTALS OF GIS

- GIS works on the basis of both location data as well as attribute data
- Spatial data have been generated on par with world real coordinates and defined with specific projection to maintain accuracy in all measurements
- Attribute data have been linked with location data and spatial layers can be created on the attribute data and
- Analysis can be done with both by spatial integration techniques
- 2D / 3D visualization can be done based on 12/24 interpolation techniques anivelk_BDU

TEN Important challenges in solving issues

In every case, we need to

- 1. Collect, store & Preprocess the relevant data
- 2. Prepare a genuine database
- 3. Regroup / Reclassify the data
- 4. Analyze through comparison, integration, classification, prioritization, buffering, etc.
- 5. Derive the fact / information by post-processing techniques
- 6. Identify / understand the reasons qualitative / quantitative to develop model
- 7. Prepare pragmatic plans, ways & means for precise, efficient & economic for implementation,
- 8. Implement properly in correct location
- 9. Follow-up / monitor its functionality
- 10. Update / Manage the mechanism to work properly.

All the above tasks can be easily done in GIS environment...

1.2 COMPONENTS OF GIS

• 1.2.1 COMPUTER HARDWARE

• 1.2.2 APPLICATION SOFTWARE

1.2.3 PROPER ORGANIZATIONAL CONTEXT



1.2.2 APPLICATION SOFTWARE

- 1. Data input and verification
- 2. Data transformation
- **3.** Data analysis and modelling
 - 4. Data output and presentation
- **5.** Data storage and database management &
- 6. Interaction with user.

1.2.2.1(a) **DATA INPUT**



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1.2.2.1(b) DATA VERIFICATION

- Topology Generating details as separate files containing geometric properties of spatial data such as,
 - Containment
 - Connectivity / Continuity / Contiguity
 - Adjacency etc.

Building of Topology details to any spatial data can identify, locate and then remove all the geometrical errors such as open polygons, sliver polygons, multiply digitized features, undershoots, overshoots, unlabeled features, multi-labeled features, etc., quickly.

GIS has options for Editing / Updating of spatial data sets and making them accurate and error free.

1.2.2.2 DATA TRANSFORMATION



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1.2.2.2 DATA TRANSFORMATION ... CONTD...

1. Updation of ground control points

- Raw digital data are either in digitizer board unit or display screen unit
- Update their coordinate values with decimal degrees
 - DD = (degree + (minute / 60) + (seconds / 3600))
- 2. Project them to the required projection system Details required:

Input data details

- Projection type geographic
- Units DD

Output data details required (after projection)

- Projection type (expected) polyconic …
- Units meters
- Central meridian in dms (max min longitude/2)
- Lattitude of projections origin in dms

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1.2.2.2 DATA TRANSFORMATION ... CONTD...

3. TRANSFORMATION OF ALL DIGITAL SPATIAL DATA (using Import Spatial References option)

- Making a copy of projected coordinates pertaining to the same study area
- Transformation of all themes to the projected real world coordinates using "transform" option
- In addition, the spatial data can be transformed or converted to any type from Vector to Raster (rasterisation) or vice-versa.
- Similarly, from one format to other format transformation (export and import of data) is also possible. For e.g., Shape file to layer file or coverage file, compressed formats, etc., So as to use them in any GIS s/w.

1.2.2.3 DATA ANALYSIS AND MODELLING



1.2.2.4 DATA OUTPUT AND DISPLAY MODULE





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1.2.2.6 INTERACTION WITH USER

- General interaction
- Query input
- Commands &
- Menu driven systems.



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ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECTS OF GIS ...contd...

1. PROPER INTEGRATION OF DATA WITH GIS INVOLVES, THE PROPER DATA ORGANIZATION,

For SPATIAL DATA SETS

- RASTER CONVERSION POSSIBLE
- VECTOR -DO-
 - Points
 - Lines
 - Polygons For e.g. Continuous data Surface & Subsuface ...
 Discontinuous data

ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECTS OF GIS ...contd...

CONTINUOUS DATA

- Surface
 - Slope
 - Degree / radiance / percent
 - Length
 - Aspect / direction
 - Consequent
 - Subsequent
 - Obsequent
 - Geometry
 - Plain
 - Convex
 - Concave
 - Vegetal cover
 - Active
 - Passive

Subsuface

- Ground Water Level
- GW Quality (40+ Parameters)
- Subsurface Lithology
 - TTS Thickness of Top Soil
 - TWZ Thickness of Weathered Zone
 - **TFZ** Thickness of Weathered Zone
 - DBR Depth to Bed Rock
 - Aquifer Characters
 - T Transmissivity
 - K Permeability
 - S Storage Coefficient
 - SY Specific Yield
- Etc.....

Discontinuous / Choropleth data

- Lithology
 - Igneous
 - Metamorphic
 - Sedimentary
- Structure
- Geomorphology
- Landuse / land cover
- Soil types, etc....

cover parts of surface

For Non-spatial data sets

organise attributes for proper linkage with spatial data

- For spatial display of non-spatial data
- Provide unique identifier

ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECTS OF GIS ...contd...

2. Data entry – structure type

3. Derivation of information

4. Data retrival - query building

5. Management – data updation

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2. GIS DATA STRUCTURES2.1 Definition

- Computer based data structure for the representation of real world entities
 - Two types
 - <u>Vector data structure</u>
 - Raster data structure



- A data structure that uses
 - points, lines and polygons to describe world surface / spatial phenomena – VDS
 - Sets of regular shaped tessellated units to describe world surface / spatial phenomena – RDS
 - Tessellate cover a surface by repeated use of a single shape without gaps or overlapping.



Consist arrays of cells in a grid pattern

Raster (Pixel size = 5mm x 5mm)



2.2 File and Data access

- Essential features of any **data storage system** are that they should allow data to be accessed and cross-referenced quickly.
- **<u>1. Simple lists</u>** Consider one second for checking a record or row (**n** no. of rows), the **Average Search Speed** in seconds can be calculated as, T = (n+1)/2, where, T = time, n=number of records in a file.
- For example, if there are **10,000 records** in a database, then it may take around a minimum of 5000.5 seconds, i.e., around **1 hour**
- 39 minutes.
- Search event becomes a time taking one
- But easy to update the record, i.e., deletion and updation of record, and addition of new records at the end of the list in that file.

2.2 File and Data access ...contd...

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directory	4	2
	8	3
- Average Search Speed, $T = \log_1(n+1)$	16	4
- Binary Search	32	5
	64	6
- For a search in a database containing 10,000 records,	128	7
- It takes 14 seconds only	256	8
- Searching becomes 50-100 times speedier	512	9
Data undation becomes todious	1024	10
- Data updation becomes tedious	2048	11
- By adding one row (i.e., a record), the entire	4096	12
database need to be arranged orderly – every time		13
	16384	14

2.2 File and Data access ...contd...

<u>3. Indexed files</u> – Word search in a dictionary

- Ordered and indexed for quick access
 - **Direct files** $(n_{1+1})/_2 + (n_{2+1})/_2$
 - **Indirect files** Where, n1 = No. of steps in the index
 - <u>Index</u> inverted files n2 = No. of items in the data block
 - Quick searching
 - Data updation is tedious the entire database need to be ordered and indexed every time on deletion, editing or updating events.

Inverted files						
Soil Profile No.	Series	рН	Depth	Drainage	Texture	Erosion
1	А	4	Deep	Good	Sandy	
2	В	5	Shallow	Good	Clay	Yes
3	С	6	Shallow	Poor	Sandy	No
4	D	7	Deep	Good	Clay	Yes
5	E	4	Deep	Poor	Clay	No
6	F	5	Shallow	Poor	Clay	No

Index (Inverted file)

Topic	Soil Profiles (sequential numbers in original file)						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Deep	1			4	5		
Shallow		2	3			6	
Good Dr.	1	2		4			
Poor Dr.			3		5	6	
Sandy	1		3				
Clay		2		4	5	6	
Eroded		2		4			

2.3 Database structures and

management

- 1. Hierarchical database structure
- 2. Network database structure
- 3. Relational database structure
- 4. Object-oriented database structure
- 5. Full topological polygon network db structure
- 6. TIGER (Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and Referencing)
- Other developments in database structures

2.3 Database structures and management ...contd...

<u>1. Hierarchical database structure</u>

- Maintains a hierarchy as per their importance and level
- Vertical downward or upward connectivity amongst levels are possible
- Lateral connectivity amongst the database is not possible
- Data redundancy occurs
- Data updation is tedious

HIERARCHICAL DATA STRUCTURE **UNIVERSITY SETUP** V.C REGISTRAR H.O.D. H.O.D. H.O.D. ENERGY R.S. BOT. READER I **READER II**



2.3 Database structures and

management ...contd...

2. Network database structure

- Eliminates lateral connectivity amongst database lateral linkage can be easily provided using networks and pointers
- Data repetivity data redundancy is totally avoided
- Data updation is tedious.

NETWORK DATA STRUCTURE



2.3 Database structures and

management

...contd...

3. Relational database structure

- Integrated database structure a combination of Index, Hierarchy and Network structures
- Limited data redundancy is allowed
- Clarity in the database
- Every table is networked with Label Identifiers for the features
- Data updation is also easy
- Uses moderate storage space but effective searching is done.

RELATIONAL DATA STRUCTURE



4. OBJECT-ORIENTED GIS

Object-oriented data model is one application of object-oriented technology.

- It uses objects to organize spatial data.
- Unlike a geometric object of a point, line or area, an OBJECT is defined here as something that has a set of properties and can perform operations upon requests.
- That means, almost everything one uses in a GIS is an object.
- For e.g., a land use map is an object, which has properties, such as its coordinate system and feature type and can respond to requests such as zoom in, zoom out and a query.

There are aspects in Object oriented GIS and classified into two : 1) Structural aspects and 2) Behavioural aspects.

1) Structural aspects

Principles: To group objects : association, aggregation, generalization, instantiation and specialization aspects are required.

Association: Describes the relationships between objects of two types.

• If owner and land parcel represent two types of objects, the relationships between them can follow the rules that

 \checkmark an owner can own one or more parcels and

 \checkmark a parcel can be owned by one or more owners.

Aggregation: Asymmetric association in a whole-part relationship.

• For e.g., block groups are connected to form a census tract and census tracts are connected to form a county.

- Generalization: Identifies the commonality among objects, and groups objects of similar types into a higher-order type.
- For e.g., parcel, zoning and census tract maps may be grouped into a higher-order class called boundary.
- Grouping of objects forms a hierarchical structure, which organizes objects into classes and classes into superclasses and subclasses.
- *Instantiation:* An object of a class can be created from an object of another class.
- For e.g., a high-density residential area object may be created from a residential area object.
- **Specialization:** Differentiates objects of a given class by a set of rules.
- For e.g., roads may be separated by average daily traffic volume.

Behavioural aspects of objects:

Inheritance: It is the basic principle in explaining the behaviours of objects:

- subclasses inherit properties and operations from a superclass, and
- objects inherit properties and operations from a subclass.
- For e.g., the residential area is a superclass and lowdensity area and high-density area are the subclasses.
- All properties of the class residential area are inherited by its own subclasses.
- Through inheritance, properties need only be defined once in the class hierarchy.

- **Encaptulation :** Encaptulation refers to the mechanism to hide the properties and operations of an object so that the object can perform an operation by responding to a predefined message or request.
- For e.g., a polygon object can respond to a request called ReturnCenter (return the center of) by returning the physical center of the polygon.
- **Polymorphism:** It allows the same operation to be implemented in different ways in different objects.
- For e.g., the same request called GetDimension (get the dimension of) can be sent to a point, a line, or a polygon but the result differs depending on the feature type.
- The number 0 is returned if the object is point,
 1 if the object is a line, and
 2 if the object is a polygon.

2.4 Data structures for Raster data

Simple raster database structure I. II. Hierarchical database structure & III. Compact data structures 1. Chain encoding 2. Run length encoding 3. Block encoding 4.Quadtree and binary tree encoding...

1. Simple Raster Data Structure

Consist arrays of cells in a grid pattern – a grid cell, i.e., pixel = picture element,

A Pixel is referenced by a row and column (x, y or Longitude, Latitude) and an attribute value (a number, alphabet or both to represent the real world object)

A point is represented by a single pixel / grid cell

A line by an array of pixels as a string along a direction continuously and

An area, i.e., polygon by an agglomeration of neighbouring cells.

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
1	1	1	1	1	1		
1	1	1	2	2	2	2	
1	1	1	2	2	2	2	
1	1	1	1	2	2	2	
1	1	1	1	2	1		
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

This simple list raster database structure is easy to handle in computer.

But, raster coding can affect accuracy of geometrical properties of objects – length / distance, area, perimeter, etc., due to cartesian effect of cells.

II. Hierarchical Raster Data Structure

- Based on the ascending or descending orderly arrangement, the spatial features / objects, i.e., each mapping units are referenced directly in this structure.
- Recoding a map requires one number per mapping unit which can consists of set of spatial features handled at a time – thus it has many advantages using many-to-one relationship.
- But, both are difficult when the database consists of too many objects and information covering a very large area.

III. Compressed Data structures

1. Chain encoding





Conditions:

- 1. Define Origin: X & Y of starting cell
- 2. Sequence of unit vectors / cells along the outer boundary of the region in cardinal directions
- 3. Directions can be numbered (East = o

South
$$= 3$$

4. Boundary of the region is coded clockwise.



2. Run length encoding



Row wise from left to right – begin cell, end cell of a particular class

Row 1	•••••
Row 2	4,6
Row 3	1,9
Row 4	1,15
Row 5	1,15
Row 6	1,15
Row 7	4,8 15,15





3. Block encoding



lllr to RLE, but 2 dimensionally, using square blocks

Data structure consists of 3 nos.

- 1. The origin X, Y(centre or bottom left)
- 2. Radius of each square single unit squares, 4-square blocks, 16-square blocks, etc.



For Green Region 'B',

- 2 16-squares
- 3 4-squares
- 16 unit squares
- 2 coordinates for each square (42)3 for cell sizes, Total=45 nos.




2.5 Vector – Raster comparison

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF RASTER DATABASE

ADVANTAGES

1. DATA STRUCTURE IS SIMPLE

- 2. OVERLAYING OF THEMATIC DATA WITH REMOTELY SENSED DATA IS EASY
- 3. SPATIAL ANALYSIS IS EASY

4. SIMULATION IS EASY

DISADVANTAGES

- 1. IF THE PIXEL SIZE IS LARGER TO REDUCE THE VOLUME THEN DETAILS ARE LOST
- 2. NETWORK LINKAGE IS DIFFICULT
- 3. PROJECTION & TRANSFORMATION IS TIME CONSUMING
- 4. OUTPUT LOOKS CLUMSY

2.5 Vector – Raster comparison...contd...

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF VECTOR DATA BASE

ADVANTAGES

DISADVANTAGES

- **1. COMPACT DATA STRUCTURE 1.**
 - **1. COMPLEX DATA STRUCTURE**

- 2. TOPOLOGY WITH CLEAR NETWORK
- **3. ACCURATE GRAPHICS**

- 2. COMBINATION OF SEVERAL THEMES CREATE PROBLEMS
- 3. SIMULATION AND PROGNESTIGATION IS DIFFICULT
- 4. RETRIVAL AND UPDATING IS POSSIBLE
- 4. SPATIAL ANALYSIS IMPOSSIBLE.



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