Cartography and geovisualization application in the crisis management and command and control systems

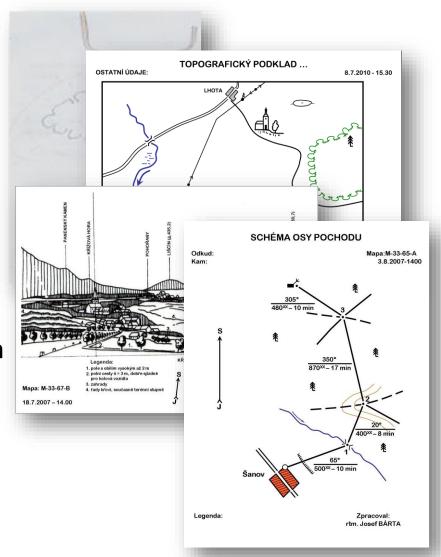
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DIGITAL GEOINFORMATION AND CARTOGRAPHY

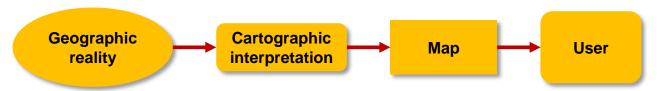
Cognitive mapping

- Reality surrounding terrain:
 - Objects key, remaining
 - Phenomena- visible, invisible
- Transfer of information about reality
 - Verbal description
 - Graphical mental recording → mental map → formal mental map (sketch, scheme)
- Perception of information about reality – form own imagination about reality from transferred information – cognitive map – where?, when?, what?

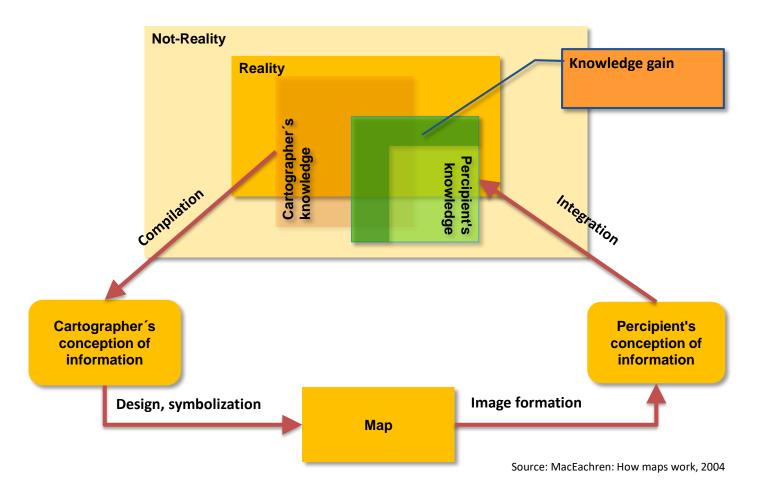


Formalization of reality description

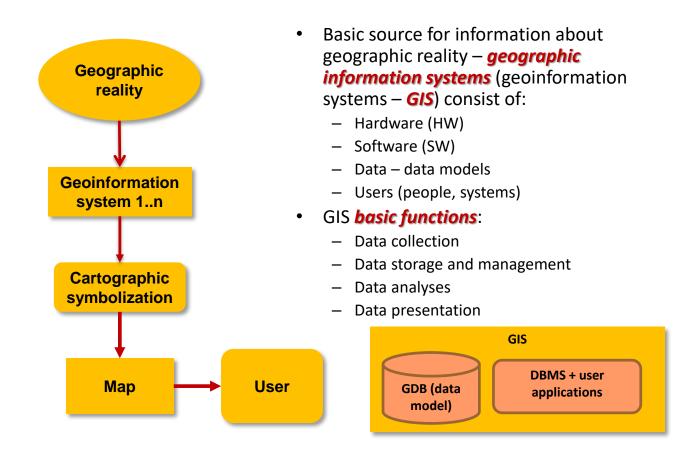
- Multi-user access necessity to formalise the reality description:
 - Where? determination of position → geodetic (geographic) coordinate system (GCS), Projected coordinate system (PCS) – reference frame – grids
 - What? map content geographic objects and phenomena
 - System of symbols cartographic representation
 - Selection of information
 - cartographic interpretation
- User personal characteristics:
 - Kknowledge
 - Experience
 - Physiological abilities
 - Psychological abilities (space perception, ability of abstraction...)
- Map creation general scheme:



Cartografic communication



Geoinformation systems



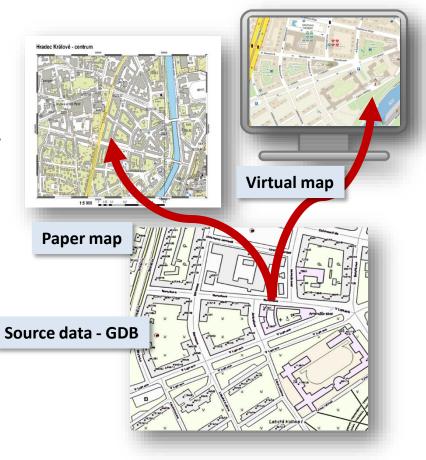
Digital landscape model

- Datasets stored in database systems or personal databases
- Vector or raster models of landscape objects or phenomena
- Given geodetic reference system must be applied (longitude, latitude at least)
- Some cartographic projection can be applied
- Maximum *position precise* of geometry is required
- Maximum precision of thematic properties is required
- "Unlimited" objects and their properties is possible to store and manage
- Linkage to other sources (databases, documents, images etc.) is possible to create
- Ready for space analyses
- If visualized default symbols are usually used



Digital cartographic model

- Preparation of digital model for cartographic visualization:
 - Objects selection
 - Geometry generalization
 - Properties selection, generalization, and transformation into scales
 - Cartographic harmonization
- Cartographic visualization:
 - Symbols
 - Colors
 - Patterns
 - Text
 - **–** ...
 - Paper maps vs. electronic maps (virtual)



What is map

- A map is a symbolized representation of geographical reality, representing selected features or characteristics, resulting from the creative effort of its author's execution of choices, and is designed for use when spatial relationships are of primary relevance. (source http://icaci.org/mission/)
- Given geodetic reference system and given map projection must be applied
- Features are displayed in the map content according to one of the following criteria:
 - qualitative—the species are expressed (e.g. language map)
 - quantitative—the quantifiable properties (e.g. population density map) are displayed
 - **topological**—the features are represented by their ground nature (the way they relate to the Earth surface) by point, line and areal symbols (e.g. road map)
 - developmental—the changes in space and time are displayed (e.g. troop movement map)
 - meaning—or significance (the significance of a small settlement in the desert is higher than that of a similar settlement in a well-populated area)
 - structural the feature as a unit together with its sub-components and
 interrelationships are represented (e.g. map of the age structure of the population)

What is map

Paper map

- Printed content on paper (fabric, plastic etc.)
- Stable (given) scale
- Grids (graticule, measured, reference)
- Light
- No electric power is necessary
- No dynamic objects
- No changeable content
- ...

Electronic (virtual) map

- Virtual visualization
- No stable scale view scale vs. map content scale – minimum/maximum zoom is possible to determine
- Various sources e.g. off-line personal database, on-line geodatabases, WMSs
- Adaptation of content visualization is relatively simple
- Multifunctionality
- Dynamic objects on-line sources
- Different size of display (computer, mobile phone, navigation system etc.
- HW is necessary
- Electric power is necessary

2. CARTOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

Map content

Every map contains four groups of map elements:

Mathematical:

 Geodetic reference system, projected coordinate system

Physical-geographic:

- Relief
- Hydrology
- Vegetation
- Surface cover (soils, stone...)

• Social economic:

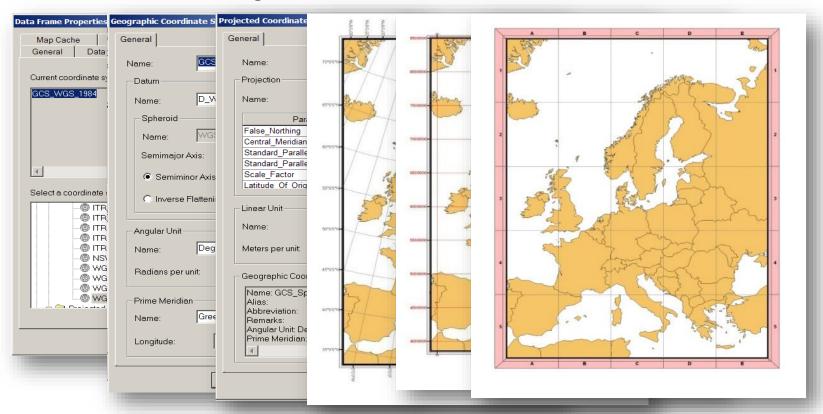
- Settlements
- Transport network
- Industry and farming, and cultural objects
- Borders

Additional:

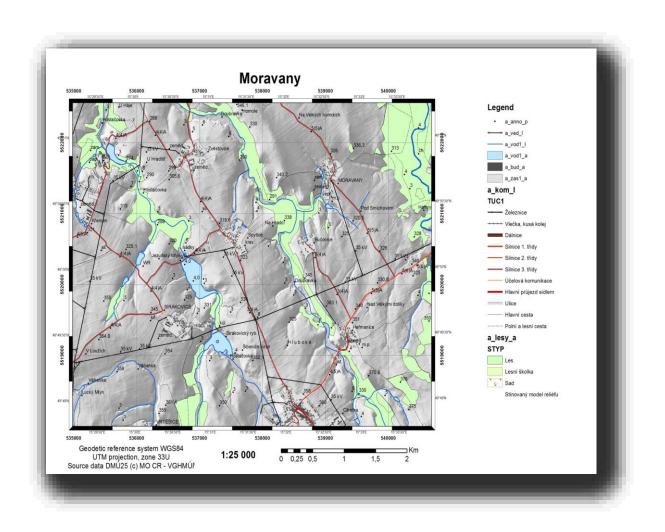
- Legend
- Identification of editor
- Map description
- etc.

Mathematical elements

- Geodetic reference systems (position, elevation)
- Cartographic projection
- Reference grid



Map compilation



Cartographic language

- Cartographic symbols part of cartographic language
- Transfer cartographic information into user brain
- Source of shapes pictures describing real object (association)
- Symbols have sensual and cognitive properties
- Symbols can express quality, quantity and intensity
- Types of symbols:
 - Point
 - Line
 - Area

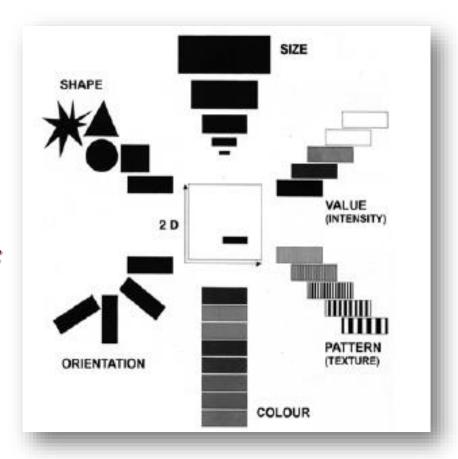
Symbols variables

Basic symbols variables (2D):

- Shape \rightarrow quality
- Size \rightarrow quantity
- Value (intensity) → quantity
- Pattern (texture) → quality and quantity
- Color \rightarrow quality
- Orientation → quality and quantity
- Placement (reference point, reference set of points)

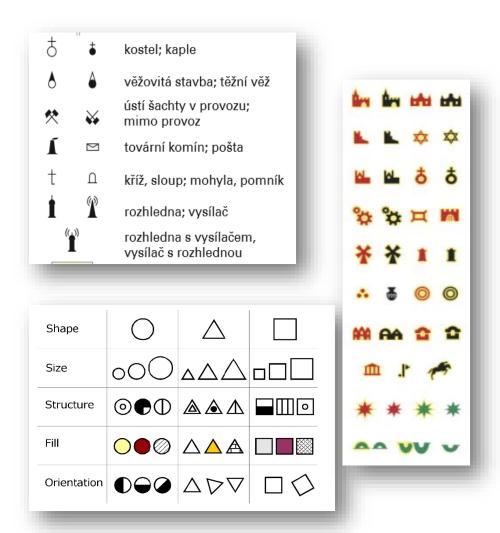
Additional symbols variables:

- Structure
- Animation time of displaying, duration, particular animation ordering, frequency...
- Sound frequency, volume, rhythm
- Interaction
- Join to other objects



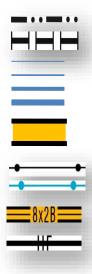
Point symbols

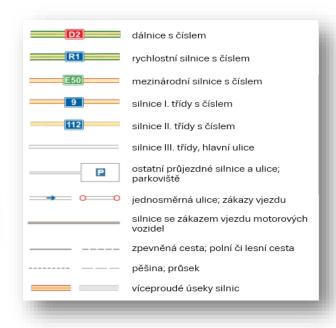
- No ground plan is possible to draw at given scale
- Types of point symbols:
 - geometrical
 - symbolical
 - picture
 - figural
 - alphabetical
 - numerical
- Placement of symbol is important



Line symbols

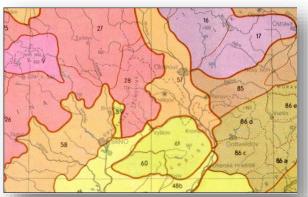
- Length of symbol answers length of object – it is possible to measure it
- Position set of points defined generalized object position
- Quality and quantity are expressed:
 - Line structure
 - Thickness
 - Colour
 - Additional

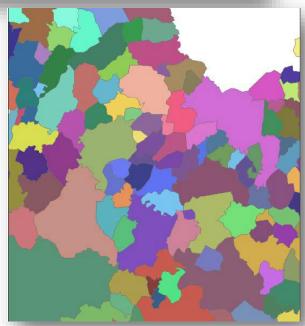




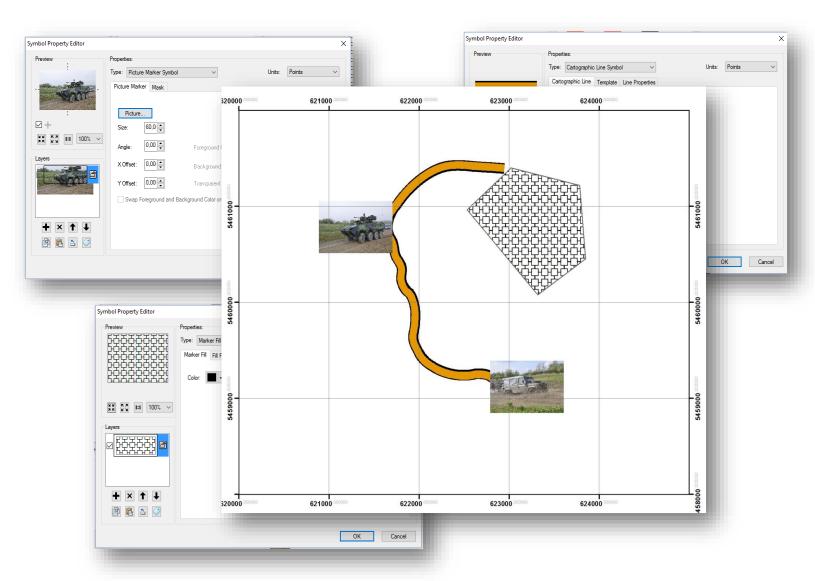
Areal symbols

- Area of object is possible express it is possible to measure it
- Quality and quantity visualization:
 - Colour
 - Texture
 - Pictures or symbol regular sampling
 - Elevation hypsography, shading
- Frequently used for thematic maps





ArcGIS Symbol editor



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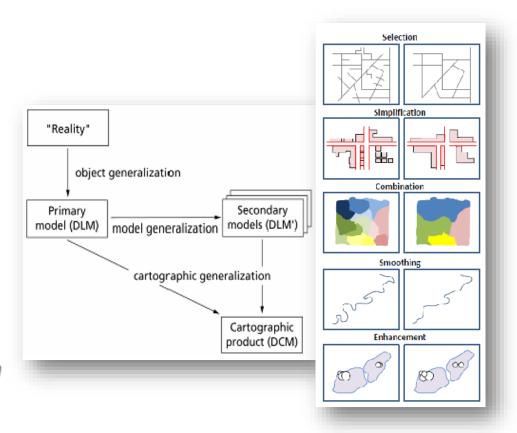
CARTOGRAPHIC GENERALIZATION

Fundaments of cartographic generalization

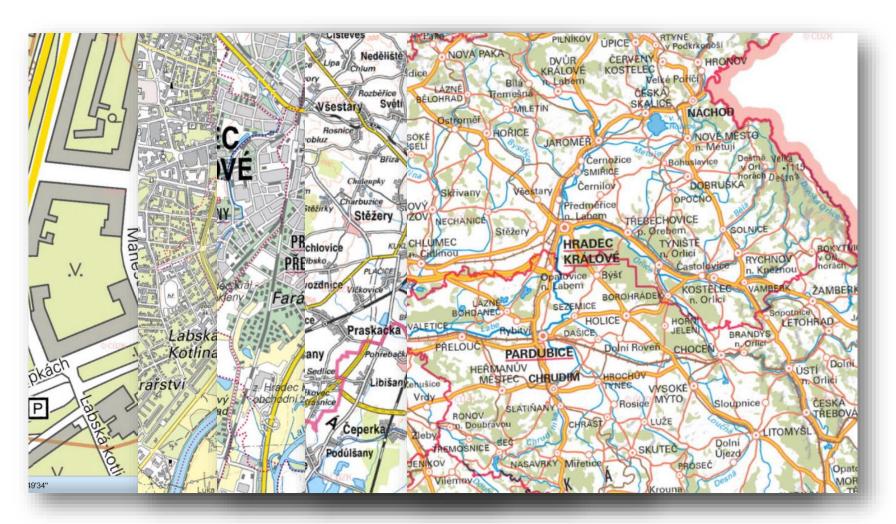
 No all objects of reality can be visualized – reduction of content – cartographic generalization

Methods:

- Selection the most important objects stand out
- Simplification geometry, thematical properties
- Combination
- Smoothing
- Enhancement
- Cartographic harmonisation
- Generalization paper maps vs. electronic maps (WMS, satellite navigation)



Paper maps generalization - examples

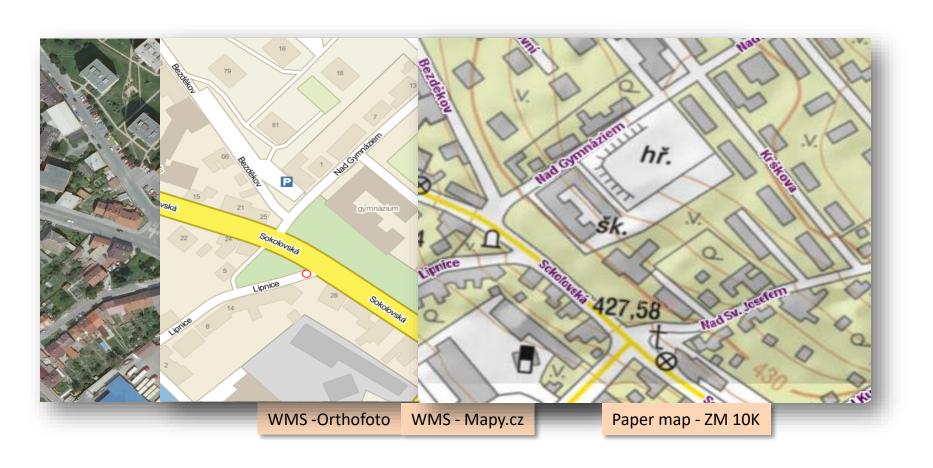


Electronic maps generalization - examples



Conflicts solution – paper vs. electronic maps differences

Velké Meziříčí, Nad Gymnáziem, 2013



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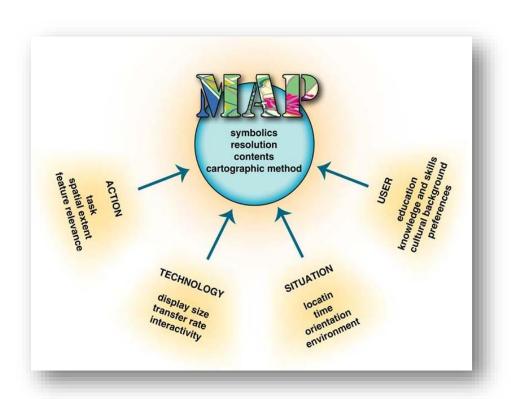
ADAPTIVE CARTOGRAPHY

Adaptive visualization

- Originally in information technology - "context-aware computing" (Weiser, Dey and Abowd, Schillit)
- 2000s: Introduction to cartography (e.g. T. Reichenbacher)

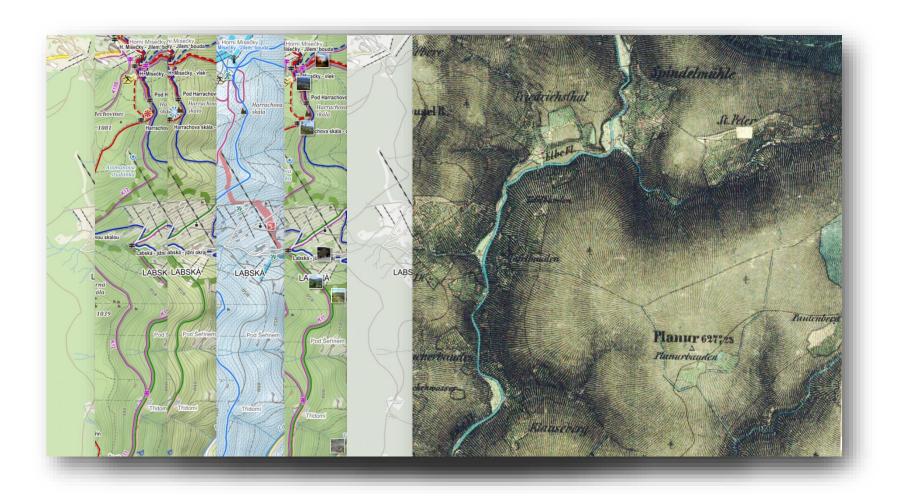
Basic principles:

- Method of representation of displayed objects and/or phenomena is selected (and/or modified) according to context
- Context = sum of all information that can be used to describe circumstances under which the visualization is used

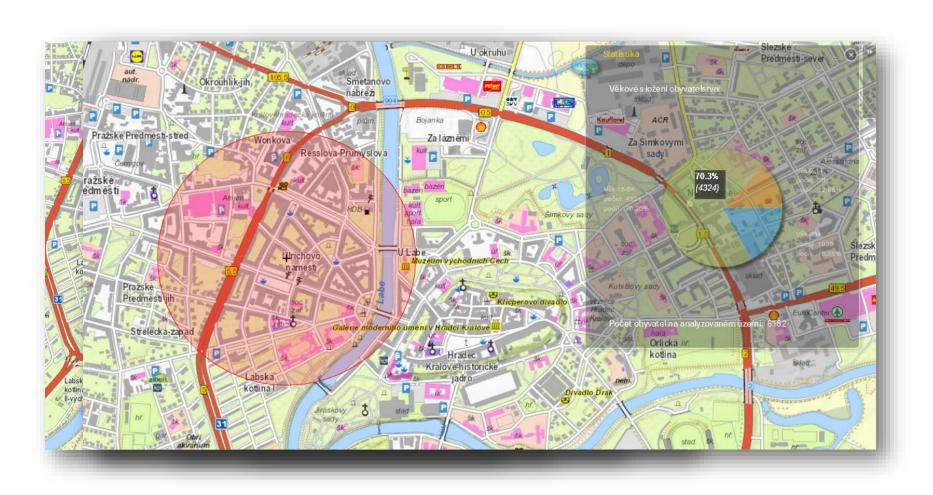


Adaptive visualization examples

(https://mapy.cz/)



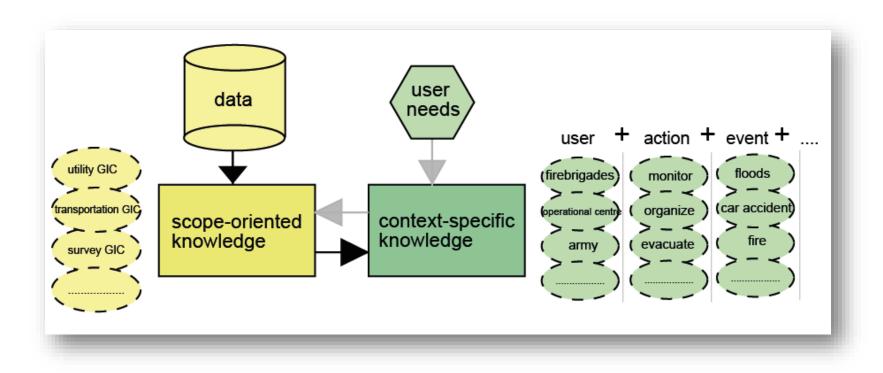
Adaptive visualization examples (http://gis.izscr.cz/map2/)



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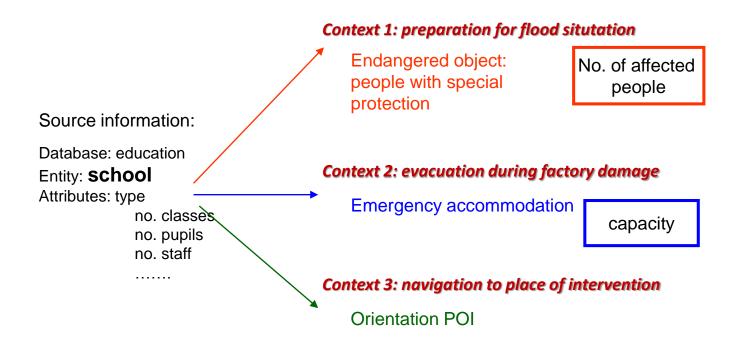
CONCEPTUAL BACKGROUND IN C2S

Map as decision making tool





Example: one object – more roles



Cartography adaptation

Data content

— Question of relevancy — What information is necessary for decision?

Symbology

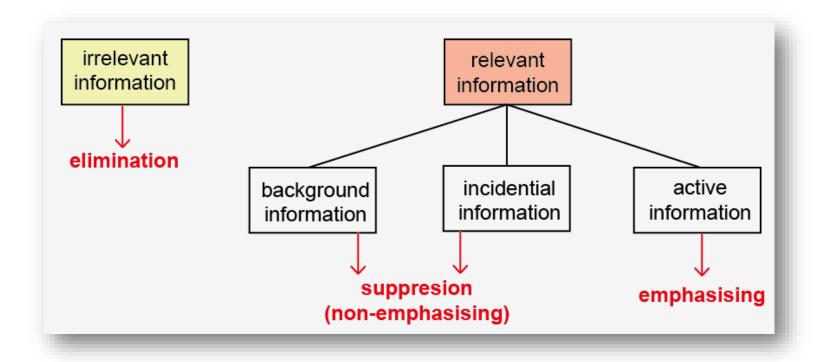
 Symbol must reflect the role of spatial phenomena in decision making process

Generalization

Amount of information on map

Relevancy of geoinformation – cartography aspects

Is spatial object/phenomena relevant for the application?

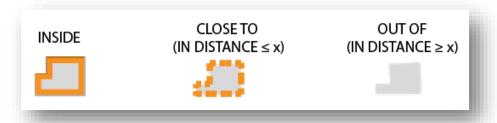


Symbol adaptation

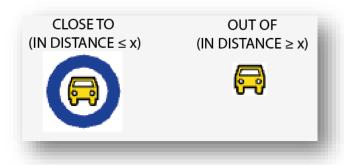
- Intensity of emphasising (symbol size, colouring) depends on the degree of relevancy
- more important → more highlighted
- SPATIAL IMPORTANCE
- SEMANTICAL IMPORTANCE
- TEMPORAL DYNAMICS

Spatial importance

houses vs. expected flood extent

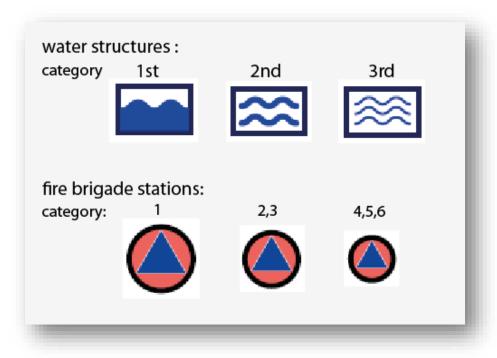


moving vehicle vs. critical infrastructure (CI)



Semantical importance

Categorization relevant to application



Temporal dynamics

⇒ STATUS OF OBJECT

Disaster dynamics - change of the object status due to disaster



Task dynamics - change of the object status due to progress in task

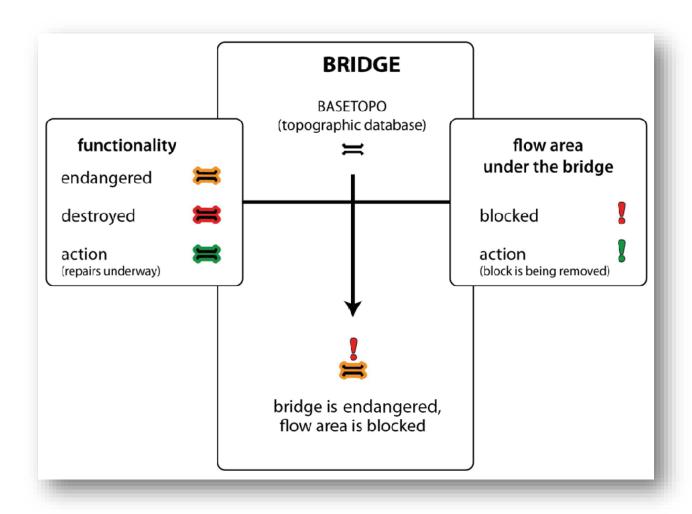


Temporal dynamics of object

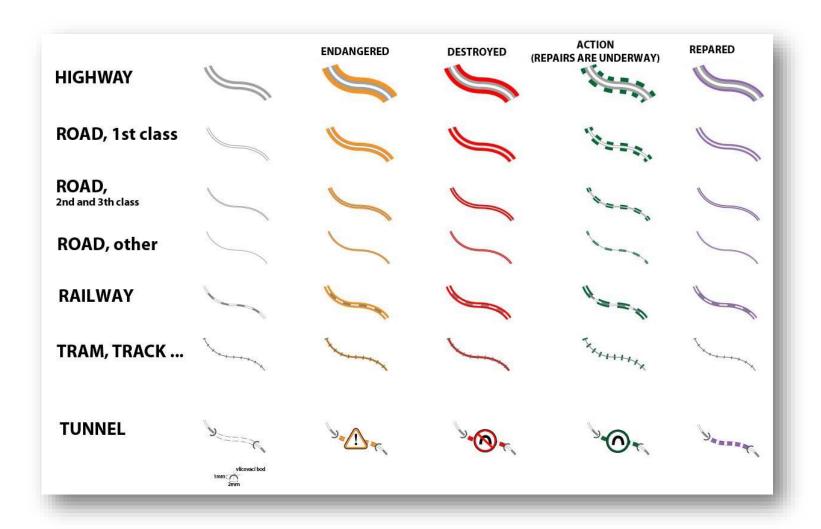
- Main colour schema



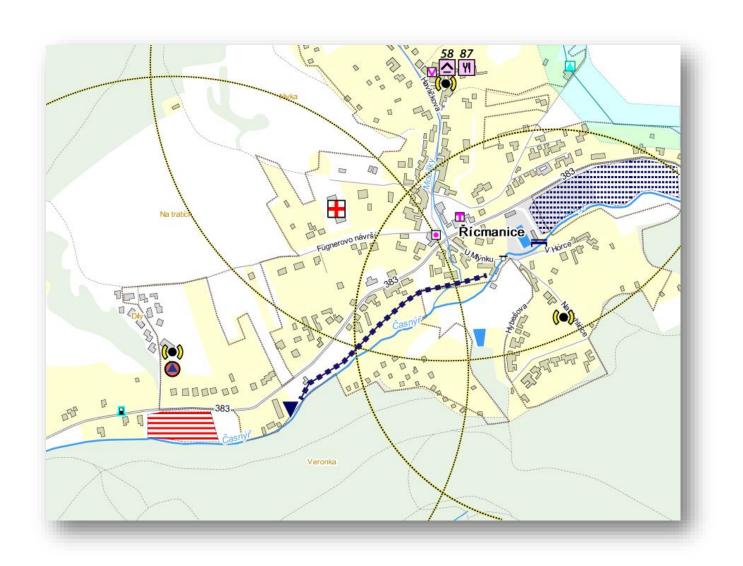
Example: BRIDGE – symbol syntax



Example: COLOUR SCHEMA APPLIED ON ROAD SYMBOLS



Context map sample - WMS





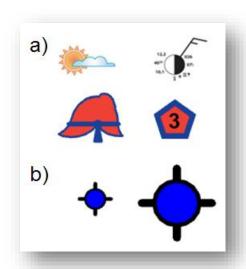
CONTEXT IN CRISES MANAGEMENT - CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

Context

- set of factors that influence legibility and usability of the map
- What factors influence it the most?
 - WHO (identity context),
 - HOW (function context),
 - WHAT- WHEN-WHERE (emergecny context)

Identity context

- "Who will use the map? Who is responsible for what?"
- Influence:
 - Visualization method
 - a) different educational background,
 - b) different eyesight size
 - Authorization rights
 - (which data are administered by the user)
- User groups: e.g. POLICE, FIRE RES.SERVICE, WATERCOURSE MANAGER, FLOOD AUTHORITY OF THE MUNICIPALITY...



Functional context

- "How the map will be used? What is the function of the map in the decision making process?"
- Functions:
 - INFO to know "what is where"
 - CONTROL to update status of spatial objects (e.g. bridge is destroyed, road is closed)
 - ORGANIZE to create new object (e.g. place where intervention is necessary, place of ice blockage)
- Influence GUI

Emergency core context

- What? EVENT + ACTIVITY
- When? STAGE
- (Where?) OPERATIONAL RANGE
- refers to the issue of data content
- Influence cartography model

Activity + Event

WHAT?

- What activity within which event should be supported with the map? What needs to be done?
- GENERAL (in colour) vs. EVENT-SPECIFIC ACTIVITY

events: FLOOD	TRANSPORT	FOREST FIRE	RADIATION ACCIDENT
activities: ORGANIZATION RESCUE PREDICTION TECHN. SUPPORT	ORGANIZATION PERIMETER MONITOR	ORGANIZATION PERIMETER 	ORGANIZATION PERIMETER RESCUE

Influences

- what information will be on map
 - amount of information presented on map is minimised to level of task being solved

Example: ACTIVITIES within EVENT Flood and Transport

FLOOD

- PREDICTION AND PROGRESS development and expected progress of the flood
- TECHNICAL SUPPORT technical support in inundation area support of Flood Security Activities
- RESCUE evacuation of the citizens
- ORGANIZATION organization of power and means
- PUBLIC INFORMATION information for public about flood development, evacuation etc.

TRANSPORT

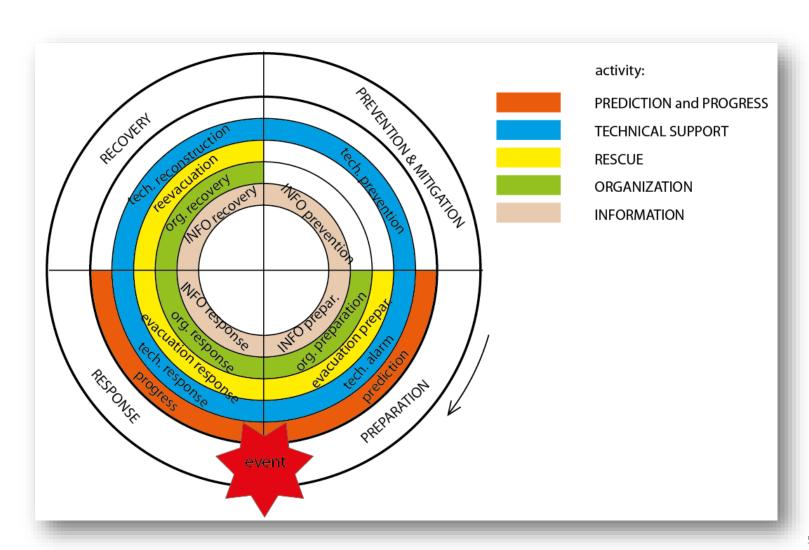
- MONITOR monitoring of the vehicle with dangerous substance
- PERIMETR organization in the place of the incident
- ORGANIZATION organization of power and means

Stage

WHEN?

- In what phase of the emergency event the activity is realised?
 - prevention (e.g. out of the flood)
 - preparation (e.g. shortly before the flood/before the potential vehicle accident)
 - response (e.g. during the flood, just after the vehicle accident)
 - recovery (after the flood)

Example: ACTIVITIES in different STAGES of FLOOD

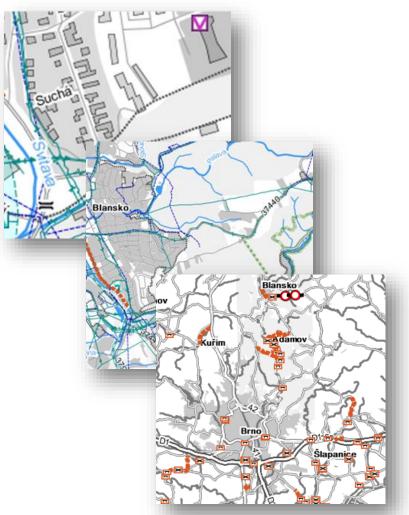


OPERATIONAL RANGE

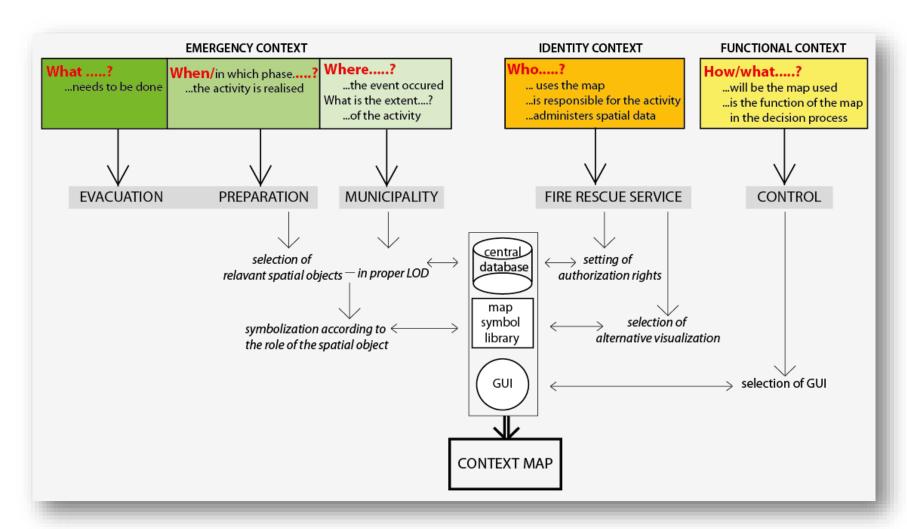
- WHERE?
- Where the event takes place? What is the event extent? What is the activity extent?
- Influences:
 - Amount of information portrayed on the map
 - According to the Level Of Detail method of generalization
 - According to the Character of the Region (URBAN, SUBURBAN, RURAL) –
 lower importance of certain spatial objects in "information-dense" regions,
 higher in "information-diluted" regions

Operational range - definition

- 1. DETAIL 0-5K
- 2. LOCAL 5K-10K
- 3. MUNICIPALITY 10K-50K
- 4. DISTRICT 50K-200K
- 5. REGION/CATCHMENT 200k-1M
- LOD's 3, 4 and 5 is defined to capture appropriate administrative/natural unit on screen

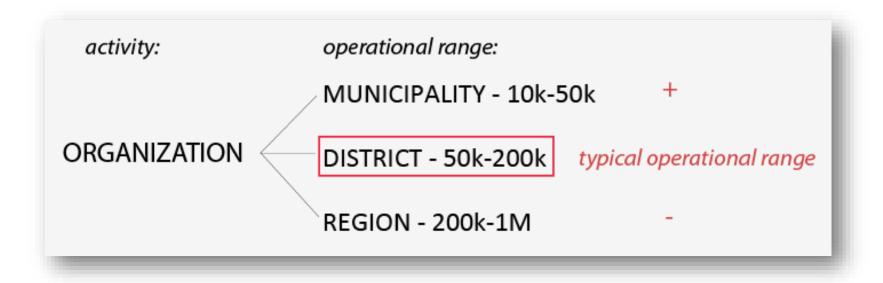


Context composition – conceptual framework



Cartography model

 Cartography model is defined for each emergency core context and the operational range in which the activity is typicaly done + one lower and higher LOD



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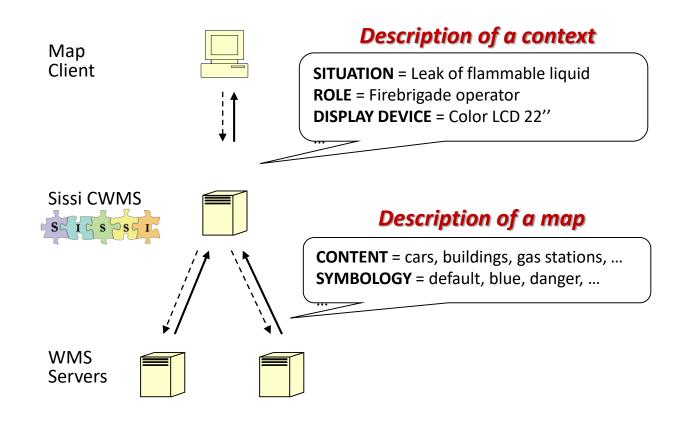
Background data:

1. BaseTopo - Topographic Data and Other Background Data (Fundamental Base of Geographic Data 1:10K, Orthofoto, Cadastral Maps, Digital Elevation Model, Admin. Boundaries)

Thematic data:

- **2. Universal Crises** (Critical Infrastructure, Technical Infrastructure, Social Infrastructure, Environment)
- 3. Specific Crises (Flood Flood Zone Mapping, Flood Management Plan, Flood Modelling, Transport Sensor data)

Implementation of CWMS



Contextual map in CWMS client

