

#### Introduction to Geomatics

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- "géomatique"
  - Geo (Earth) + informatics
- Geodesy + Geoinformatics
- "Geomatics: The mathematics of the earth; the science of the collection, analysis, and interpretation of data, especially instrumental data, relating to the earth's surface". Oxford Dictionary

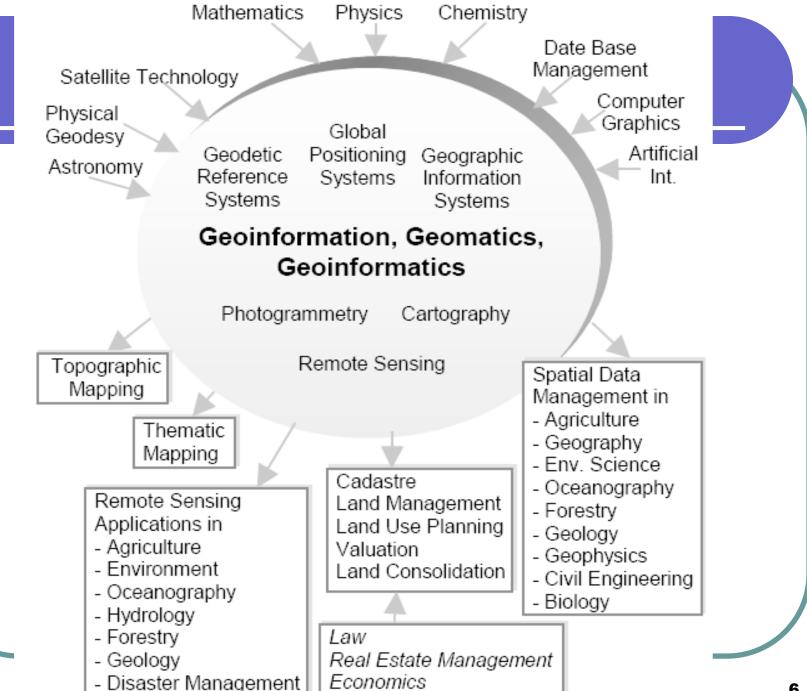
### What is Geomatics?

- Geomatic Engineering is a rapidly developing discipline that focuses on spatial information
- Geomatics Engineers work with state of the art technology
  - Geodesy
  - Digital photogrammetry
  - Remote sensing
  - Digital cartography
  - Geographic information systems
  - Spatial analysis & modeling
  - Global positioning systems
  - Computer vision, digital image processing
  - Land management

- Geomatic Engineering is developing the science and creating new uses for the technology developed
- The word geomatics describes the integrated approach of
  - Measurement
  - Analysis
  - Management
  - Storage and
  - Display of spatial Earth related data in digital form
- It can be said that geomatics is based on spatial information technology

- Besides it also involves
  - Pyhsical
  - Social
  - Biological
  - Economical
  - Business

sciences with respect to mathematical and logical relatioships



# The graduates of Geomatic Engineering work in a range of organizations

- Specialist land, air and offshore mapping companies,
- Central and local government agencies,
- Cartographic publishers,
- Suppliers of computer-based mapping technology and GIS companies,
- Civil engineering contractors,
- Oil exploration multinationals and geophysical consultants.

# The questions that investigated by geomatics engineering (surveying engineering)

- How do satellite navigation systems work?
- How do we know the Earth's continents move?
- If we look at the Earth from space what can we see?
- How do we make maps of the land and sea?

## What do geoamtics engineers use?

#### • Hardware:

- Computers and networks
- Surveying and geodetic instruments
- Photogrammetric workstations
- Visualization tools

#### Software:

- GIS/CAD
- Digital image processing
- Satellite positioning and GPS

#### Which devices do we use?



## How do we use advanced technologies?

- High precision geodetic measurement systems and advanced methods of processing
- Application of sensor technology in spatial data acquisition
- Implementing GIS solutions in urban cadaster
- 3D space modeling through modern mapping techniques
- Monitoring and probabilistic analyzing of environment systems
- Use satellite, laser and 3D technology to create the maps of tomorrow

# Surveying

- It is the science, art, and technology of determining the relative positions of points above, on or beneath the Earth's surface
- Geomatics embraces the traditional areas of surveying and mapping
  - Topographic surveying
  - Geodesy
  - Cadastral surveying
  - Photogrammetry
  - Hydrography

Devisions in YTU Geomatic Engineering Department:

- Geodesy
- Engineering Surveying Photogrammetry
- Cadastre/Boundary Surveying/ Land Management
- Cartography

## Geodesy

 Traditionally it is the shape, size, and the gravity field of the Earth.

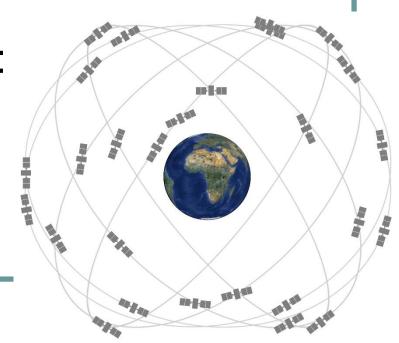
#### Nowadays

 Monitoring the solid Earth (displacement, subsidence or deformation due to tectonic or other natural phenomena as well as human activity.

- monitoring variations in the liquid Earth (sea-level rise, ice sheets);
- monitoring variations in the Earth's rotation (polar motion, the length of the day);
- monitoring the atmosphere with satellite geodetic techniques (ionosphere and troposphere composition and physical state);
- monitoring the temporal variations in the Earth's gravity field;
- determining satellite orbits (including Earth observation and navigation satellites);
- determining positions and their changes with time of points on or above the surface of the Earth

#### **GPS**

- Global Positioning System
- A navigation system developed and maintained by the U.S Dept. of Defense
- Satellite based system
- Consists of 3 segments:
  - Space
  - Control
  - Users



- Space segment: GPS constellation
- 31 satellites currently operational in orbit
- Orbital period 12 hours (satellites pass over the same locations or almost the same locations every day.) Each satellite circles the Earth twice a day.
- Four satellites must be in view of the receiver for it to compute four unknown quantities (three position coordinates and clock deviation from satellite time).

- Map projections and geodetic datum
- Ground motion
- Geohazards and the deformation of the Earth
- Seismic and gravitational survey
- Precise positioning in agriculture, environment, marine, rail, road and



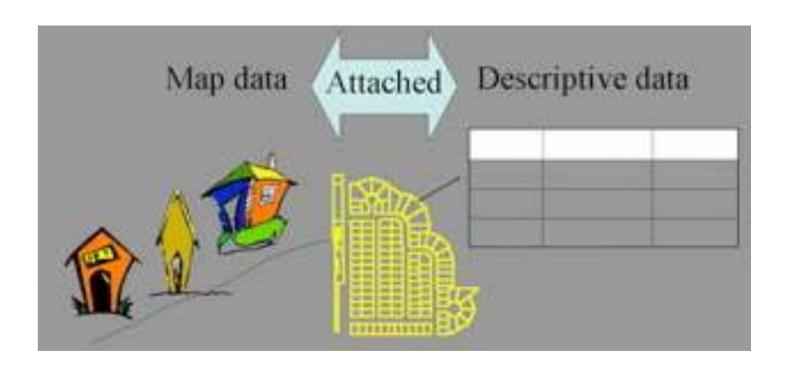


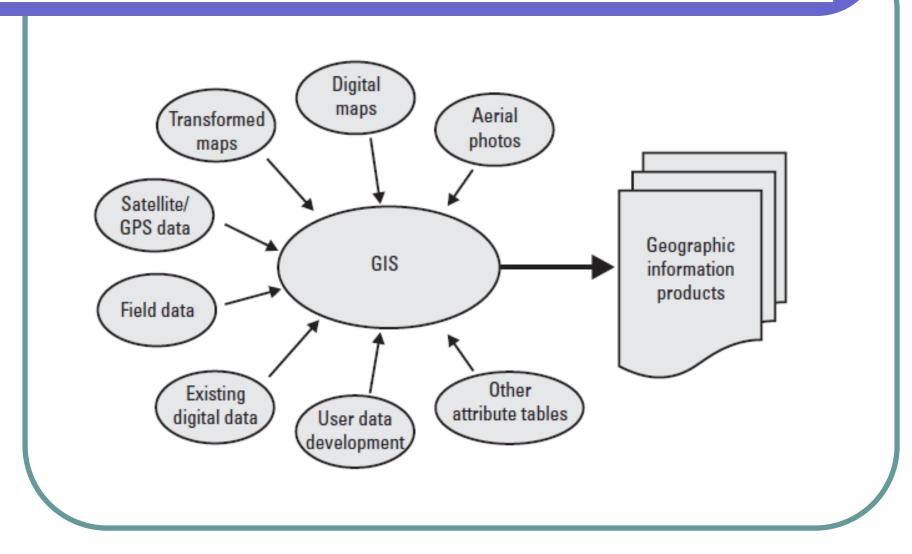
#### GIS

- A geographic information system (GIS) is a computer system designed to capture, store, manipulate, analyze, manage, and present all types of spatial or geographical data.
- Database technology can manage multidimensional data

## GIS

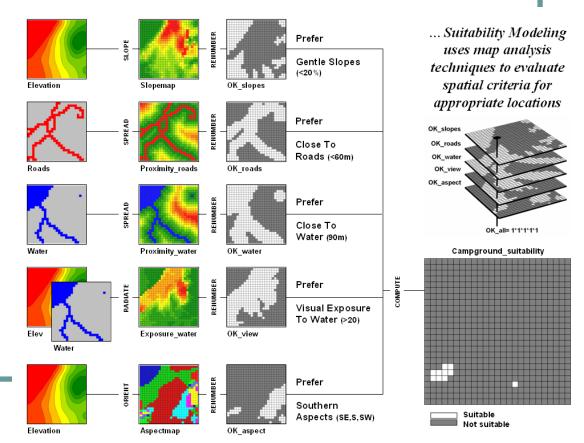
A digital model of the real world



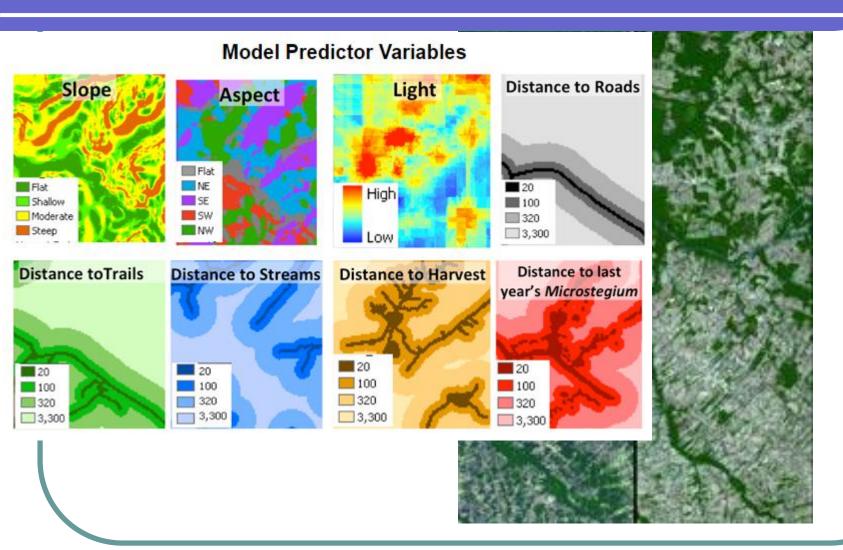


## GIS application examples

- Land suitability analysis
- Prediction modeling
- Time series analysis
- Change detection
- Digital landscape



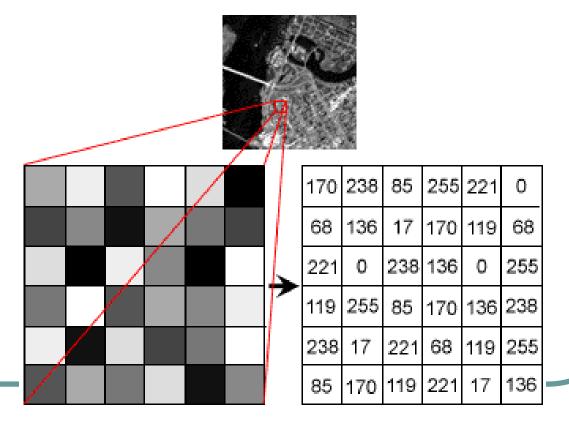
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Before and after imagery of Amazon deforestation

## Digital image & mapping

- Pixel
- Digital Number



## Photogrammetry

- Photogrammetry is the art and science of making accurate measurements by means of aerial photography:
  - Analog photogrammetry (using films: hardcopy photos)
  - Analytical photogrammetry
  - Digital photogrammetry (digital images)

- Flight planning
- Ground Control Points GCP
- Equipment
- Aerial cameras

- Orthophoto
- Stereo model
- Digital elevation model

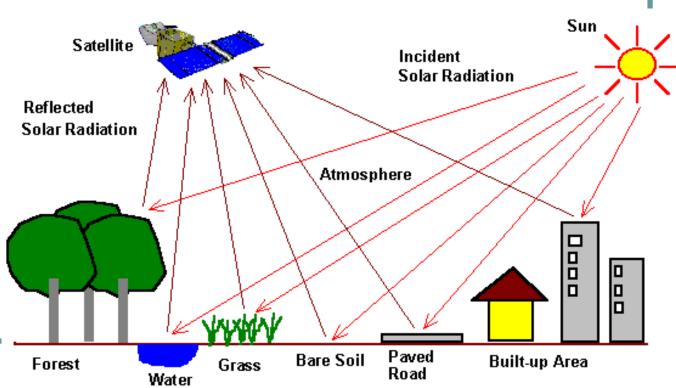


## Remote Sensing

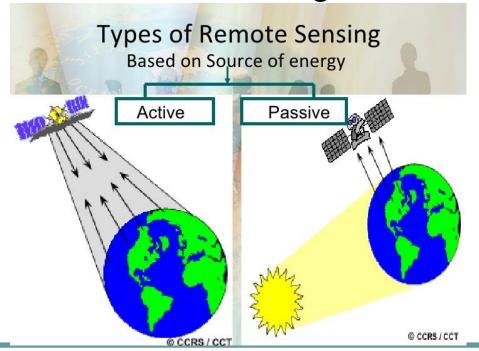
 Collection of data without being in physical contact



Human eye



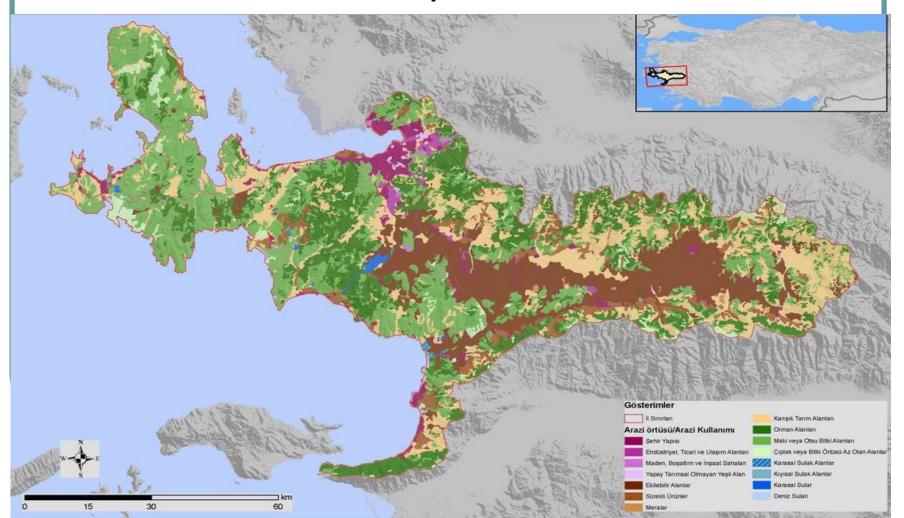
- Electromagnetic spectrum
- Visible & infrared bands & thermal
- Microwave remote sensing



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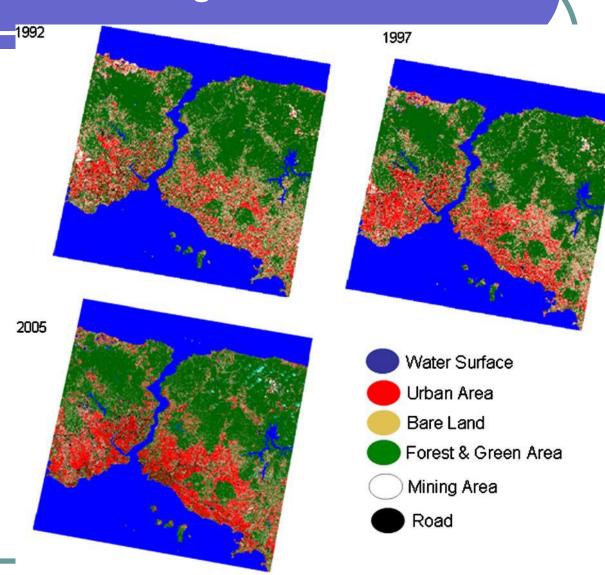
- Satellite imagery
- Sensor types
- Passive / active systems
- Lidar (Light detection and ranging)
- Radar (Radio detection and ranging)
- Multispectral / Hyperspectral imagery
- Bathymetry
- Thermal imagery

#### Land use/cover maps

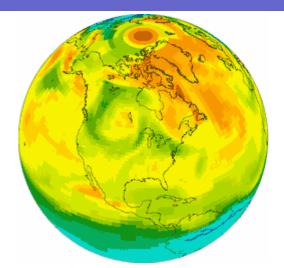


#### Temporal analysis – Change detection

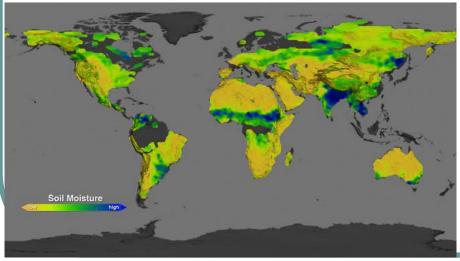
Fusun Balik Sanli & Filiz Bektas Balcik & Cigdem Goksel,2007, Environ Monit Assess Defining temporal spatial patterns of mega city Istanbul to see the impacts of increasing population



## Global monitoring



CarbonTracker CO2 weather for June-July, 2008. Warm colors show high atmospheric CO2 concentrations, and cool colors show low concentrations.



The soil moisture conditions around the planet were like in August 2013: dry areas are represented in the brown scale, while wetter areas are in blue and green.

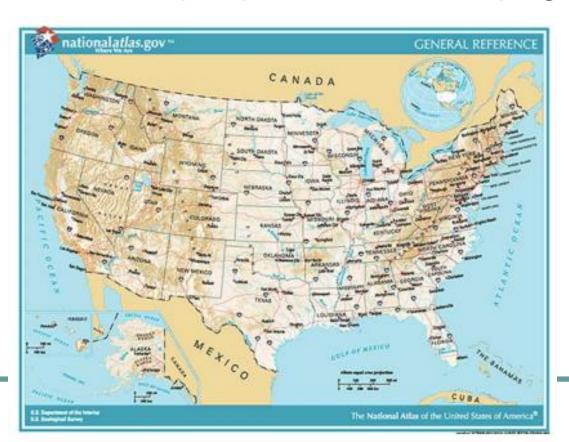
# Cartography

- It is the study and practice of making maps.
- What is a map?
  - "a symbolized image of geographic reality, representing selected features or characteristics resulting from the creative efforts of cartographers and designed for use when spatial relationships are of special relevance." (ICA, 1995)

- Function of maps in general:
  - Storage medium for information
  - Provides a picture of the world to help understand
    - spatial patterns
    - spatial relationships
    - environmental complexity

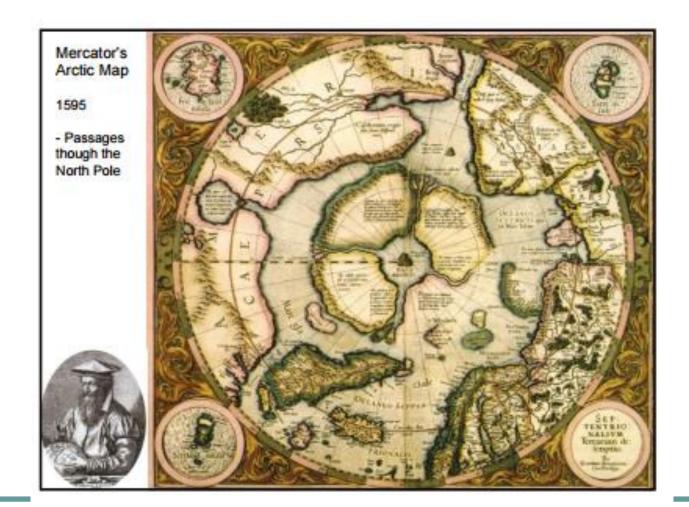
- Map scale (Large/small scale)
- Components of a map
- Generalization
- Exaggeration
- Map projections
- Symbols, legend

- Types of maps:
  - Reference maps: planimetric & topographic



- Thematic maps: spatial relations & patterns: soils, forest etc.
- Specific geographic themes, oriented toward specific audiences





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