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Web 기반 엔코딩 언어 GML

(GML - Enabling the Geo-spatial World Wide Web)

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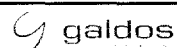
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Geography Markup Language

Enabling the Geo-spatial World Wide Web

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Who is Galdos?

- ♥ Famous Spanish writer of the 19th century!
- ♥ Creator of Geography Markup Language (GML).
- ♥ Custom Software Developer for XML applications for geo-spatial systems.
- ♥ Developing advanced geo-spatial server and client products for GML solution deployment.
- ♥ Training & Consulting for GML (XML for Spatial!)
- ♥ Founded in 1998. 15 Employees.

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What is the Geo-spatial Web ?

What made the web work ?



HTML

Linking & Web Content



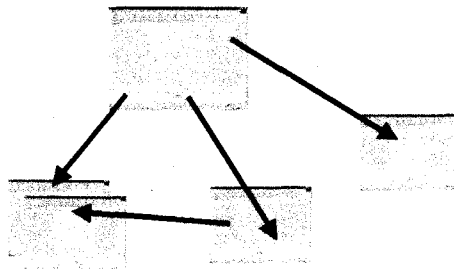
Made it work !!

HTTP Server



Geo-spatial Web

What made the web work ?

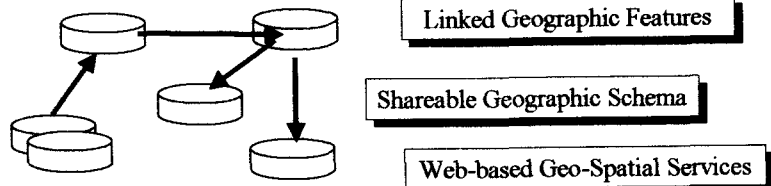


Hypertext acts as an organizing mechanism – build information incrementally



Geo-spatial Web

Geography Markup Language enables the Geo-spatial Web



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Geography Markup Language

- ☞ XML encoding of geography
- ☞ Enables one to leverage the whole world of XML technologies.
- ☞ Provides for vector mapping in a standard browser.
- ☞ Enables complex features & feature associations

Will revolutionize the geo-spatial industry !

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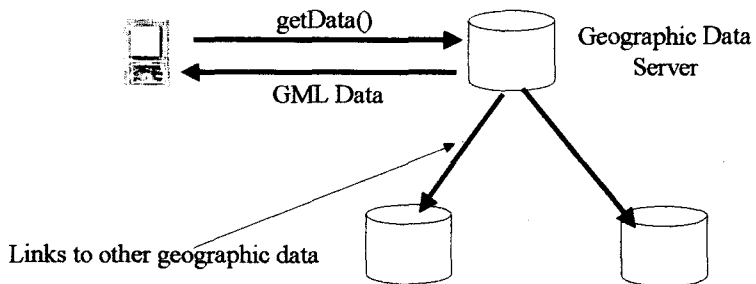
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GML - Builds on W3C Standards

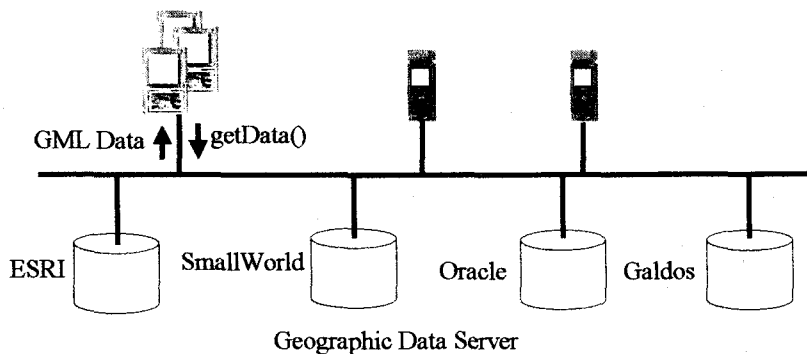


GML: What is it?





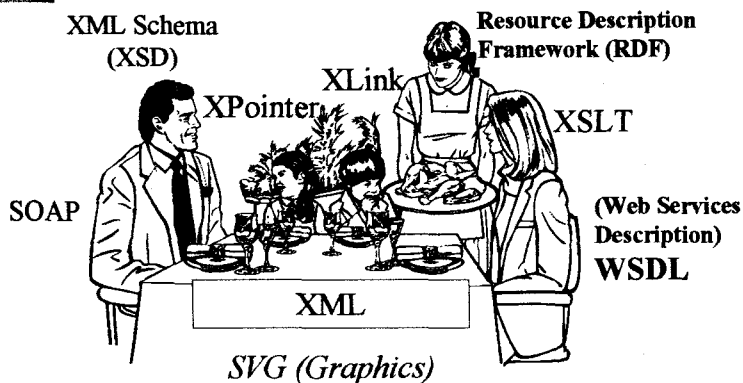
GML: What is it?



If you can get e-mail you can get spatial data !!



Once Over Lightly – What ?



XML is a whole family of technologies for data handling



Once Over Lightly – Why XML ?

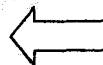
- ☞ Self documenting. People can read and understand the data.
- ☞ Standard tools can be used – no need to create custom tools to read/display data.
- ☞ Standard tools ensure data integrity.
- ☞ Can leverage a whole world of XML technologies and tools!
- ☞ Easy to integrate different kinds of data.



Once Over Lightly – Why XML ?

Can leverage a whole world of XML technologies and tools

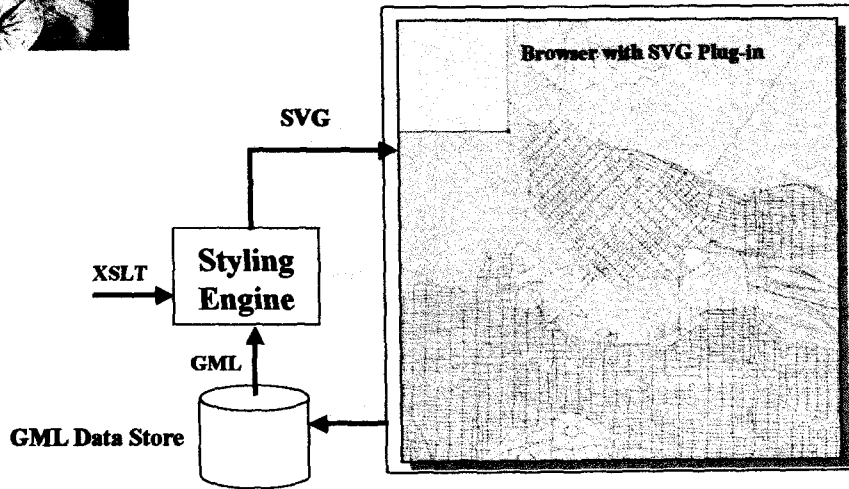
- ☞ Parsing/navigating XML data
- ☞ Selecting XML data elements/subsets.
- ☞ Querying XML data
- ☞ Transforming XML data
- ☞ Linking to XML datasets
- ☞ Creating dataset associations
- ☞ Data visualization
- ☞ Specification of web services
- ☞ Network operations



Once your data is in XML you can use standard tools to do all sorts of common tasks !!



XML in Action



XML Technology Summary

The XML
Technologies for
GML !!

Technology for Encoding and Data Modeling
Expression (DTD, RDF and XSD)

Technology for Selecting & Pointing
(XPath, XPointer)

Technology for Transforming
(XSLT)

Technology for Linking and Associating
(XLink)

Technology for Graphical rendering
(SVG, VML, X3D)



GML: What is it ?

- ☞ OGC Endorsed “Adopted Specification” (GML 2.0 passed March 2001) for encoding spatial information.
- ☞ A set of XML technologies for handling spatial data on the Internet.
- ☞ Emerging international standard for spatial data—endorsed by 200 + companies and agencies around the world.
- ☞ Will converge with G-XML (Japan) – additional 600 companies. Target is GML 3.0 by December 2001



Why GML ?

- ☞ A “**lingua franca**” for geographic information.
- ☞ GML data can be **read and understood** by people.
- ☞ GML can enable **distributed spatial datasets** that are **linked together – local maintenance & development / global access**.
Reduced cost for data.
- ☞ GML data can **easily be mixed with non-spatial data** including text, video, and imagery. (e.g. work order)
- ☞ GML can build **shareable application schemas** for telecommunications, utilities, forestry, tourism, and location-based services.



Why GML ?

- ☞ **GML is easily transformed** – coordinate conversion etc.
- ☞ Services can be created with specific types and then easily discovered. Services that act on features. Services that return routes or tracks. GML provides a **STANDARD means to define input & output arguments.**
- ☞ **GML is non-proprietary** and open! Any client can talk to any server!
- ☞ GML enables non-proprietary web feature servers, image/map annotation, map styling and spatial analysis.

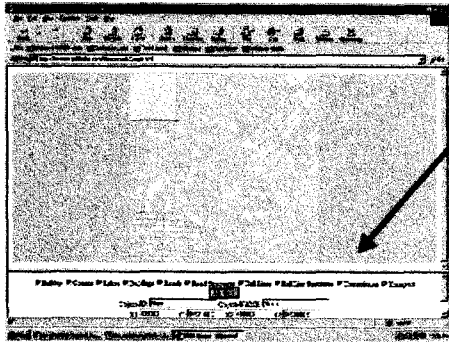


History

- ☞ **1998 Kurt Buehler. defines a XML DTD for spatial.**
- ☞ **Feb 99 – White paper by Galdos on XML for spatial.**
- ☞ **Feb 99 – Presentation by NTT Data**
- ☞ **Summer 99 – Xbed Group led by Galdos Systems, develops SFXML (Oracle, NTT Data, MapInfo)**
- ☞ **October 99 – Galdos Systems writes GML RFC**
- ☞ **Dec 99 – GML RFC becomes public**
- ☞ **May 2000 – GML 1.0 Passed as recommendation paper.**
- ☞ **Feb 2001 – OGC publishes GML 2.0**
- ☞ **March 2001 – GML 2.0 voted as “adopted specification”**
- ☞ **July 2001 – GML 3.0 Workshop in Vancouver**
- ☞ **Sept 2001 – OGC votes to send GML to ISO**



GML Focuses on Content

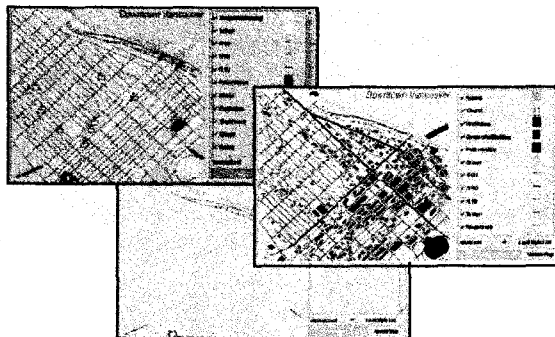


Vector Maps display in a standard browser web page! (SVG)

GML Separates Content & Presentation !



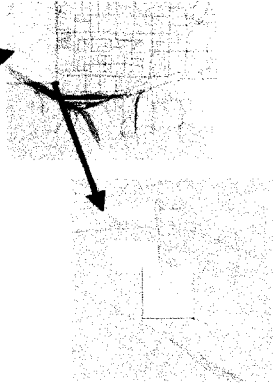
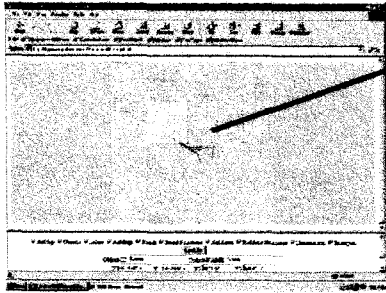
GML Mapping Examples



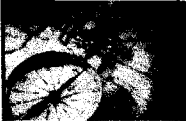
Same spatial data – many different styles !



GML Mapping Examples



High Definition Mapping!



Key Applications

- ☞ **Location-Based Services and Mobile GIS**
- ☞ **Internet GIS (local/regional & national governments)**
- ☞ **Disaster Management**
- ☞ **Accident Investigation**
- ☞ **Telecommunication Planning, Monitoring**
- ☞ **Utility Planning & Coordination**



Implications of GML

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Implications of GML

- ☞ **Makes it possible to build a spatial infrastructure – reduces the incremental cost of building application specific data sets.**
- ☞ **Makes it easier to integrate spatial information with non-spatial information – “e-mail me a map I can interact with”! => Better utilization of spatial information.**
- ☞ **Leads to geographic standards in vertical market domains – standard shareable vocabularies – lowers cost of data sharing and increases interoperability.**
- ☞ **Provides a flexible, open, standard transport for geographic information for location-based applications. Allows vendors to focus on content!**

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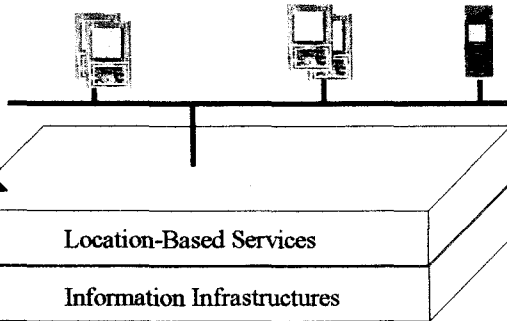
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Large Scale LBS Architecture

Location Services

- routing
- tracking
- access to services
- vicinity



Wide area, integrated spatial data sets – the geo-spatial world wide web !



Information Infrastructures!

Domain Specific Data (CRM, AVL, Telematics)

Application Data Builds on many other kinds of data !!



Housing Units

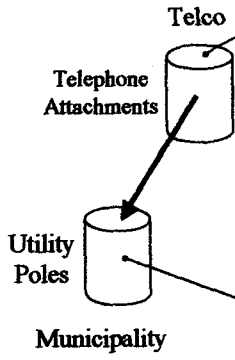
Municipal Boundaries

Other Utilities

Road Networks

Parcel Data

Information Infrastructures!



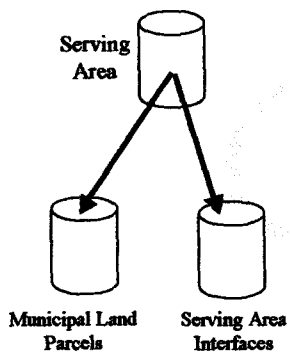
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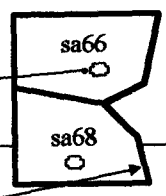
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      <gml:coordinates> ... </gml:coordinates>
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</tc:UtilityPole>
  
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Information Infrastructures!



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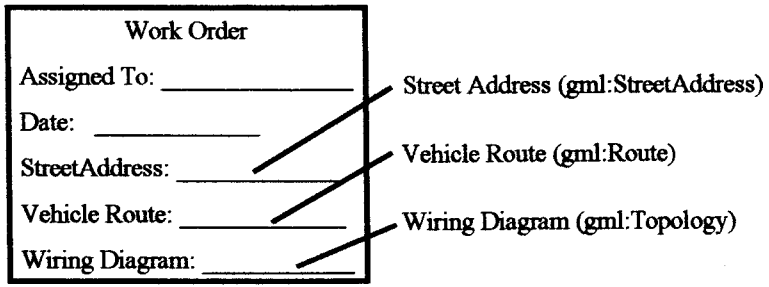


Serving Area Boundary shared with municipal boundary



Data Integration

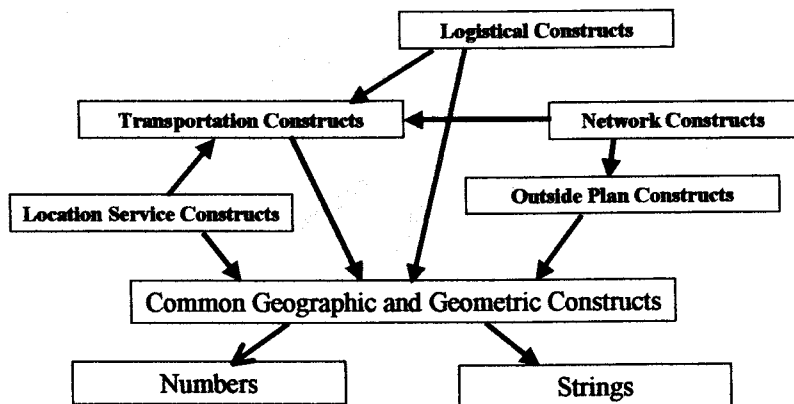
GML can Integrate Spatial and non-Spatial Data



Work Order as an XML Document

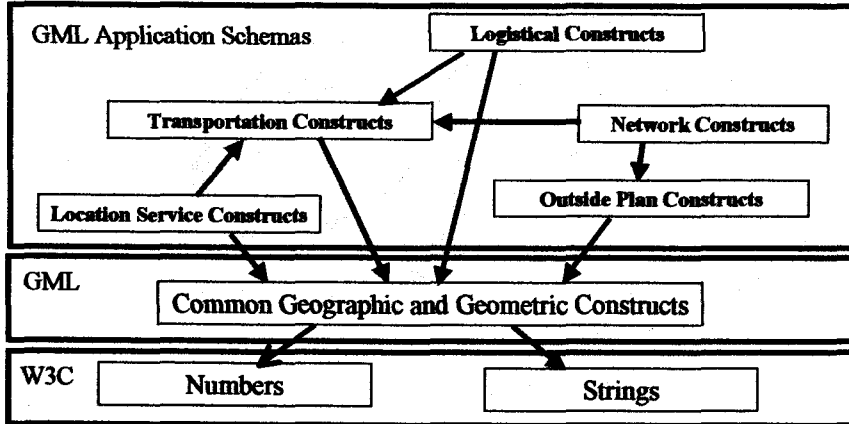


Information Community

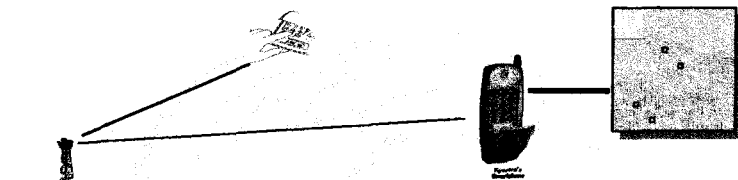




Information Community



Spatial Data Transport



GML can transport location information:

- Points of Interest
- Routes
- Observations
- Qualitative Location /Postal Address



GML Deployment

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GML Deployment

Development of Application Schemas for Application Area

What existing data can I link to?

What data should I convert to GML?

What application-specific data do I create?

Build applications

Deploy Applications and new data

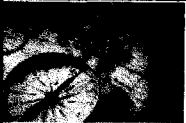
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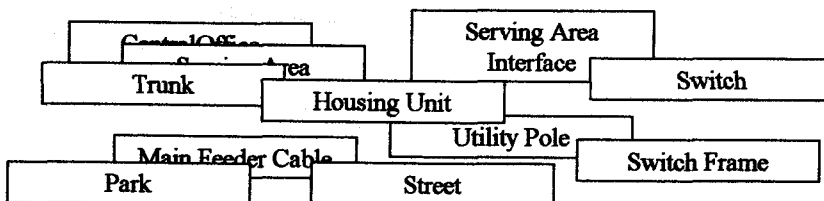
Performance Issues

- ☞ GML 2.0 is text ! Without compression data volumes can be significant.
- ☞ Example: Vancouver (City Center) has 2186 features and takes 0.573 megabytes. (270 bytes/feature) (54 bytes zipped)
- ☞ Example: Vancouver (Greater City) has 76000 features and takes 25 megabytes. (340 bytes/feature) (68 bytes zipped)
- ☞ Example: Lutheran County, Pennsylvania, USA, has 4800 features and takes 3.9 megabytes (830 bytes/feature) (166 bytes zipped)
- ☞ Good news: The data is very compressible. Experiments with GZIP have provided compression factors of 5-7:1; XML-specific compression (e.g. XMil) can improve on this by a factor of 2 more.



Constructing GML Application Schemas

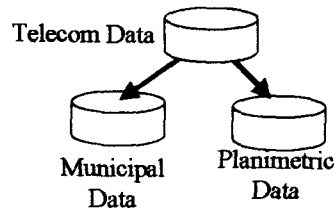
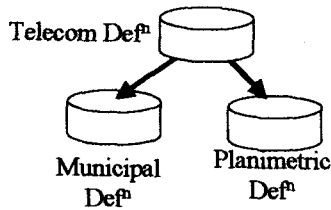
- ☞ GML Application Schemas are necessary.
- ☞ GML Application Schemas apply to an Enterprise or an Industry.
- ☞ Tools are being developed for UML → GML Application Schema.
- ☞ GML Application Schemas provide the shared vocabulary for telecoms:





Data Conversion

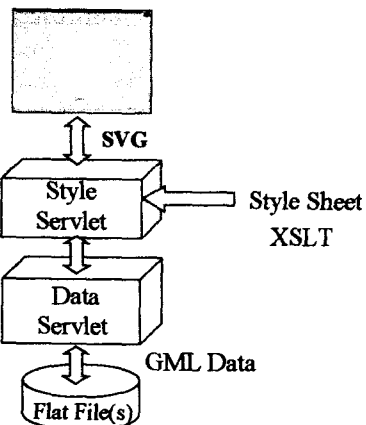
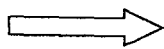
- ☞ Data Conversion Tools are emerging.
- ☞ Web Feature Servers provide GML Data (no conversion)
- ☞ Schema sharing reduces conversion task
- ☞ Data sharing reduces conversion task



GML Implementation & Products

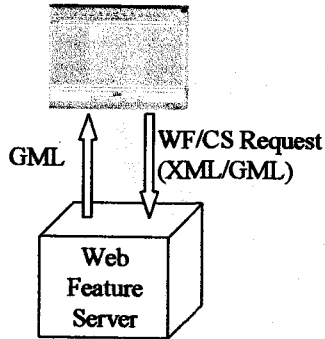
Simple Systems can be built with servlets, flat files, standard web browsers

Simple Mapping Application





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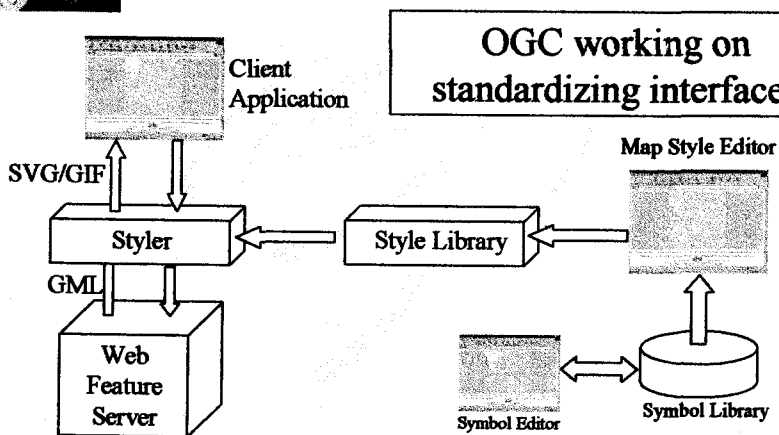


OGC is standardizing request & response interfaces.

GML is used in the data request and in the data response.



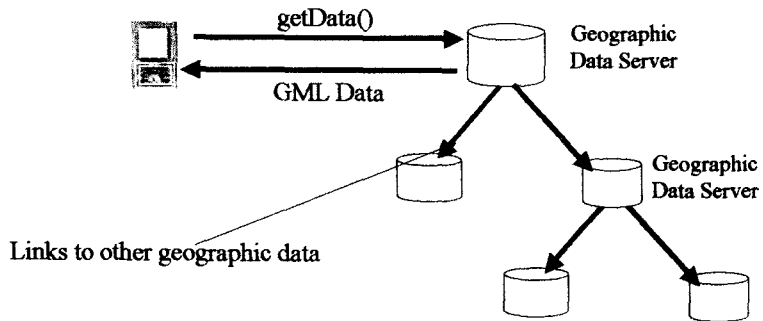
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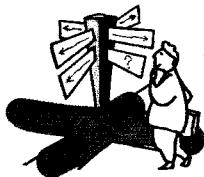
OGC working on standardizing interfaces



Geo-spatial Web



We build geo-spatial data on other geo-spatial data and spatial definitions



What's coming in GML ?

GML Futures !



What's coming in GML ?

- ☞ GML 3.0 – Anticipated for December 2001
- ☞ Converge with G-XML (Japan)
- ☞ Many new features including:
 - » Topology
 - » 3D and non-linear geometries
 - » Coverages
 - » Temporal support
 - » Metadata support
 - » Units of Measure
 - » Default Styling
 - » Points of Interest



GML 3.0

☞ Location:

- Geometric point (like GML 2.0) but other geometries as well.
- Postal address with internationalization support. (FGDC compliant)
- String address. (“corner of 5th and Hornby”)
- Keyword (from a dictionary – e.g. “Holland”)

Disaster
Management

AM/FM
Applications !

☞ Temporal: (based on ISO 19108)

- Feature timestamps (time intervals, time positions)
- Dynamic Features
- Moving Object States

Vehicle Tracking

Location-Based
Service
Applications !

Customer
Relationship
Management



GML 3.0

- 9 **Topology: (based on ISO 19107)**
 - Separate topology from geometry.
 - Primitives for nodes, edges, faces and solids.
 - Handles orientation.

Utility Network
Modeling, Planning &
Monitoring

- 9 **Geometry Enhancements:**
 - Non-linear geometries - smaller data size.
 - Curves bound polygons.
 - Polyhedral and other complex surfaces.

AM/FM

Customer Relationship
Management

Traffic Management



GML 3.0

- 9 **Points/Areas of Interest:**
 - Focused on location rather than type.
 - Have simple activity or item of interest..
 - May have attached observations.

Location-Based
Service
Applications !

- 9 **Observations:**
 - Images/multi-media content..
 - Position and time dependent..

- 9 **ViewPoints:**
 - Kind of Point of Interest (direction dependent)
 - Attach observations.



GML 3.0

☞ Coverages: (based on ISO 19123).

- Distribution of quantities over surface of the earth.
- Remotely sensed images – demographics – customer data
- Network model – signal strength etc.

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Monitoring

Location-Based
Service
Applications !

☞ Units of Measure:

- Arbitrary physical quantities – physical quantity dictionaries.
- Consistent with coverages and features.

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☞ Reference Systems:

- Reference System dictionaries.
- User defined reference systems. Linear references..

Market Analysis



GML 3.0

☞ Metadata Mechanisms.

- Generic metadata mechanism for features, coverages etc.
- Metadata schemas can be published and shared.
- Metadata schemas/instances for specific domains (e.g.

Network Modeling,
Planning & Monitoring

Location-Based
Service
Applications !

☞ Default Styling:

- Persistent styles for features..
- Animation.
- Topology Styles..

AM/FM

Market Analysis