

# Benchmarks / Test data : what/why?

Idea = in order to test our generalisation  
algorithms/methods/... on common data, have

- Samples of data available to ,play‘ with
- With each sample: guidelines specifying the goal to reach
  - Picture of intended result ?
  - Written specifications?

# How to evaluate ?

- Evaluation = research pb
  - => this sample data = also a means of working on evaluation methodologies
- Interesting evaluation = qualitative & detailed (criteria), not just good/bad
- Cartographers evaluation would be helpful

# Idea : set up a web site

- Everybody can put samples of data
  - Snapshot + vector format (shape?)
  - Description of the pb / goal to reach

E.g. „Can you get this result from this sample?“  
(with snapshot)

„Can you remove 15% of the buildings?“
- Everybody can take the pbs (+ copyright)
- Everybody can put his results (+ copyright)
- Everybody can look at proposed results & make comments

# Additional requirements...

- NMAs = do efforts to get comments on the results from there cartographers
- Web site = access restricted to ICA members
- Douglas-Peucker not allowed !