



# Generalization of Multiple Scale Maps from a Single Master Database

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# Objectives for GIS Map Production

- Create seamless nationwide master database
- Support paper and electronic travel products
- Multiple map products from single database
- Master edits: update features only once in master, propagate changes to all products
- Carto edits: only on products, not master
- Map updates must combine latest master data and previous product edits.



# Updating Database and Map Products

- Fringe issue ?
- Database Update: Preserve all value-added work when loading new vendor data
- Map Update: Preserve last year's work while accessing latest information
  - Re-extract
  - Change Detection (new vs. old extraction)



# Data Duplication: Visibility vs. Product Layers

- ArcStorm Visibility Files

Pointers to Master data (no duplication of data)

- WRITESELECT/READSELECT
- MAPPROJECTION (on the fly)

- SDE Product Layers

Features extracted from Master as Product Layers

- Product projection applied to extracted data
- At this point, product layers only carry symbol item, not full attribution

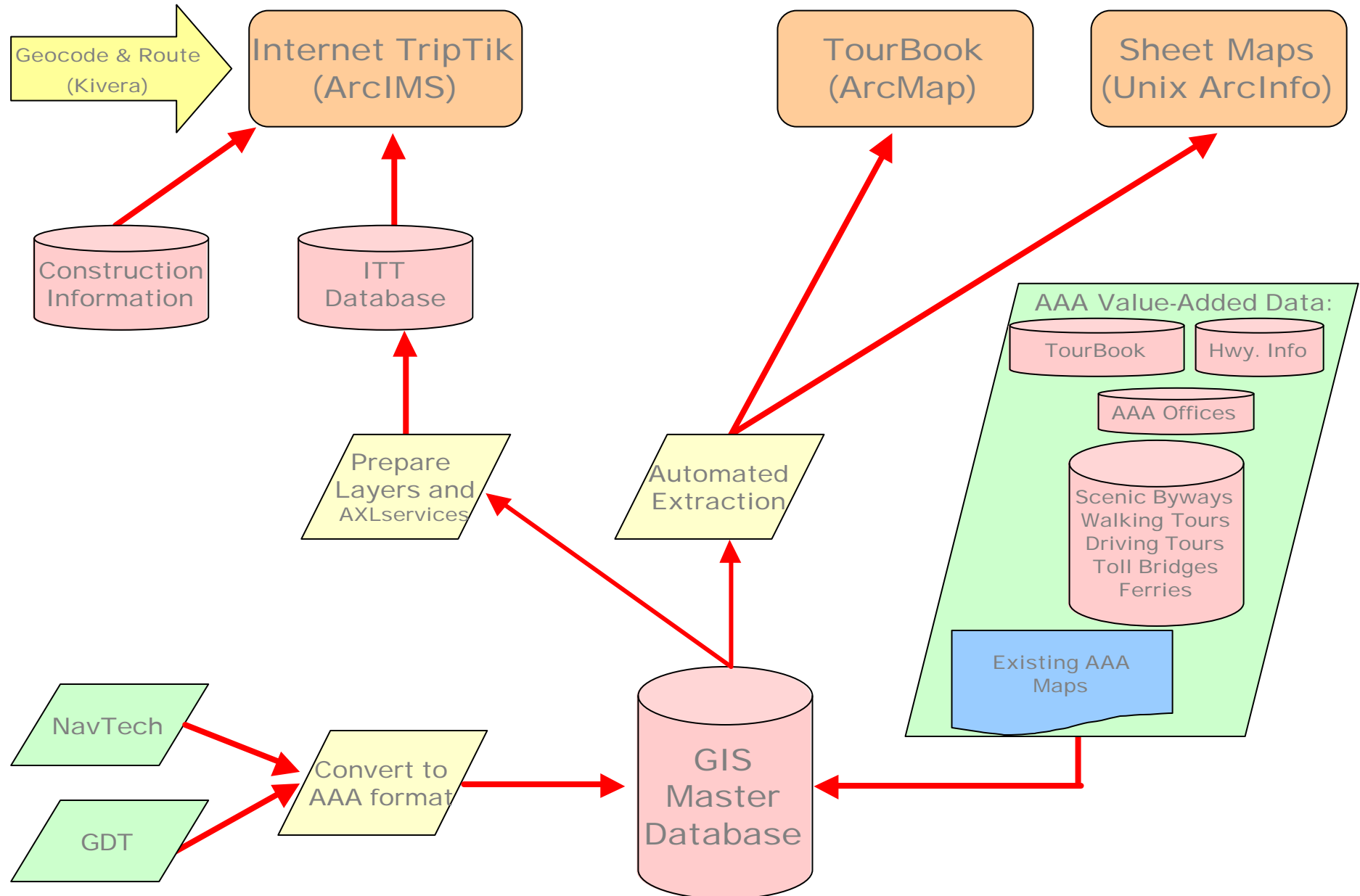


# Data Duplication

- Should we continue to try to avoid duplication of data ?
  - How to handle the exceptions, displacements ?
- Or should we go further with product layers ?
  - Currently just Permanent ID and symbol item
  - Add full attribution ?



# GIS Master Database





# Automated Extraction (Pre-selection)

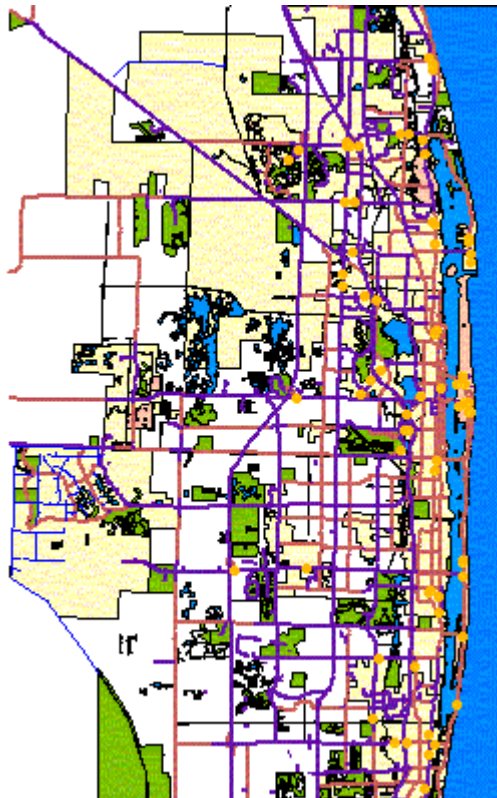
- Feature Matrix - occurrence of all feature types in all product types
- Extraction Rules - pseudocode, parameters
- Extraction AMLs
- Content Management

Maintenance...

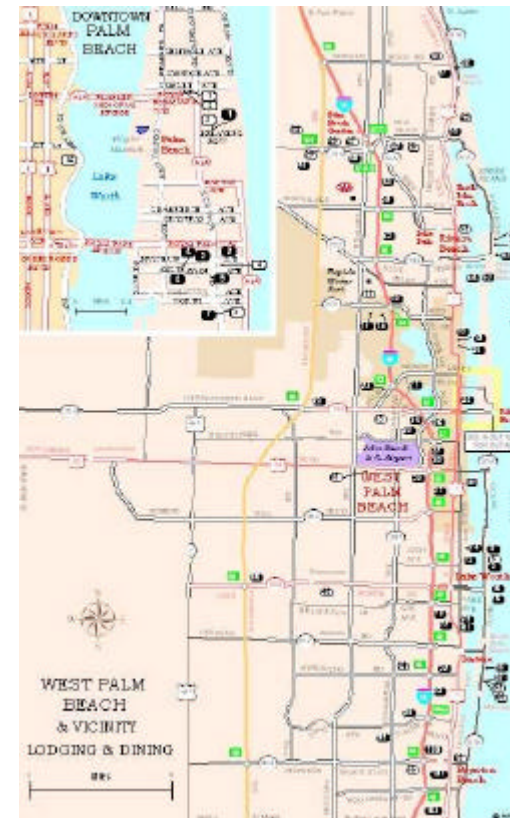


# Results of Automated Extraction

Automated Extraction



Final Map







# Generalization issues

- Road Centerlines
- Line simplification
- Road Convergence
- Barrier Islands
- City Tints
- City Line Weights

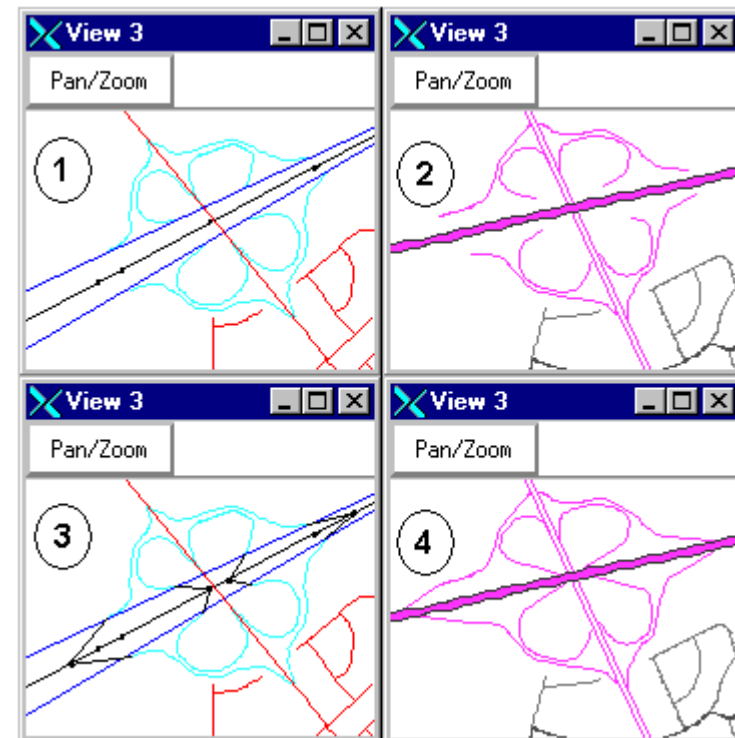
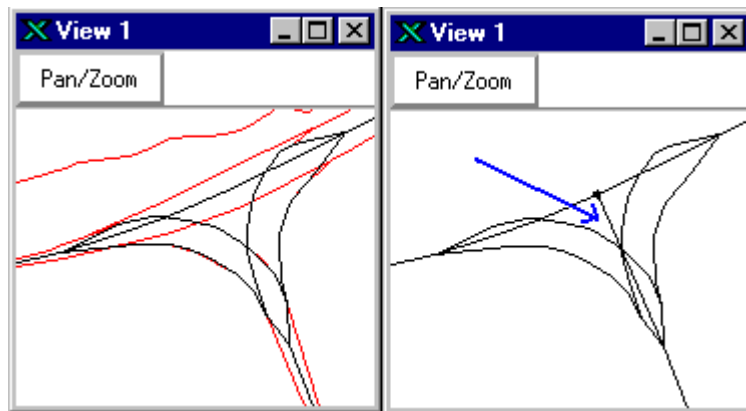
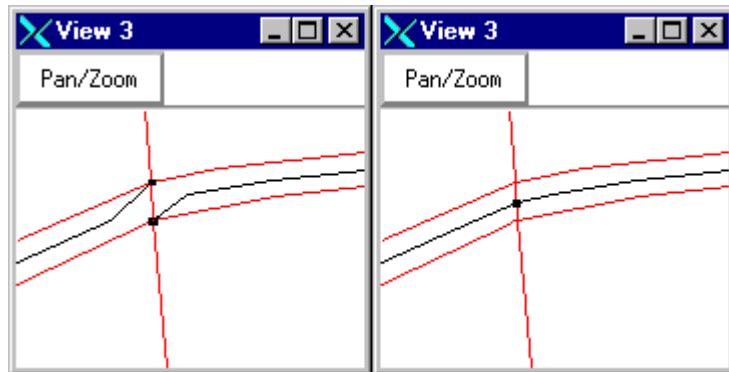


# Centerlines

- Only show doubly digitized arcs at downtown inset level.
- Generate centerline for display at all other levels
- Wrote our own C routines to create centerlines. Interactive cleanup



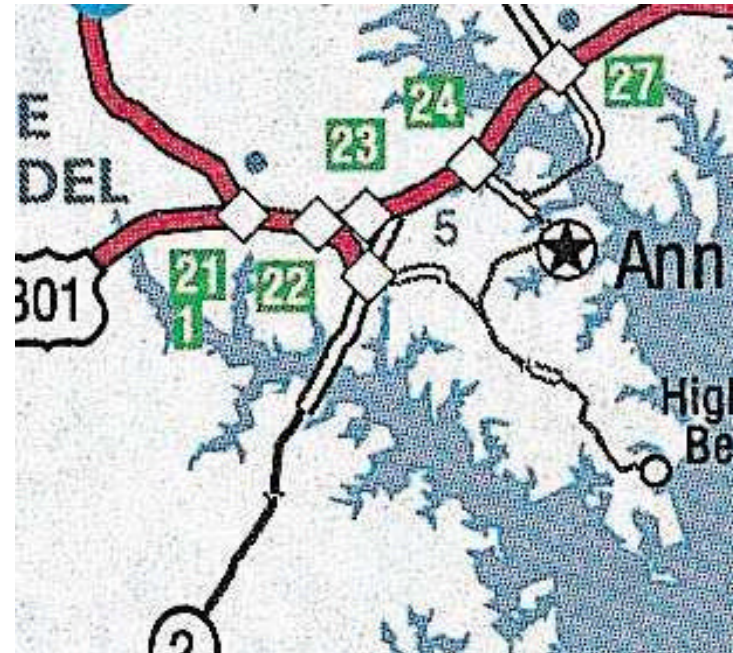
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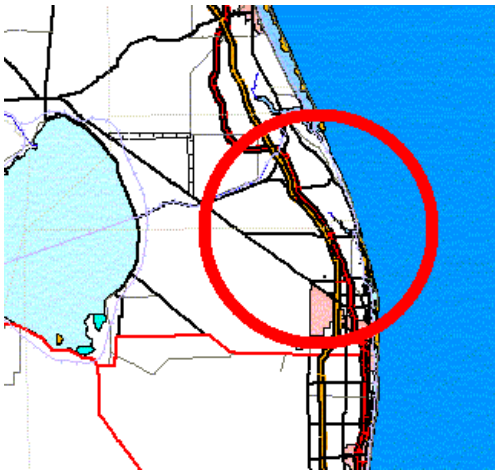


# Line Simplification

- In general, simplify for performance, not necessarily appearance



# Road Convergence



Actual positions  
without generalization

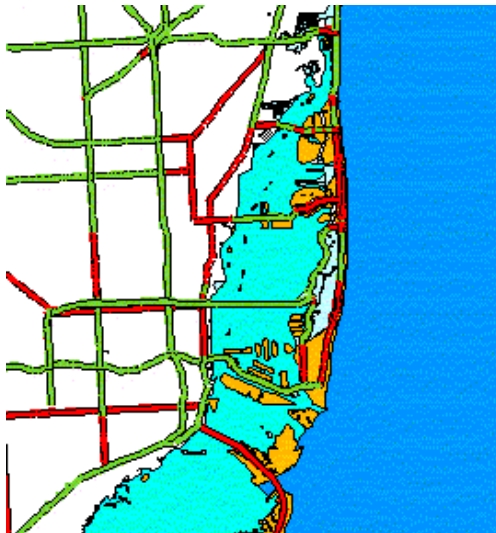


Generalized on State  
Map



Generalized on Regional  
Map

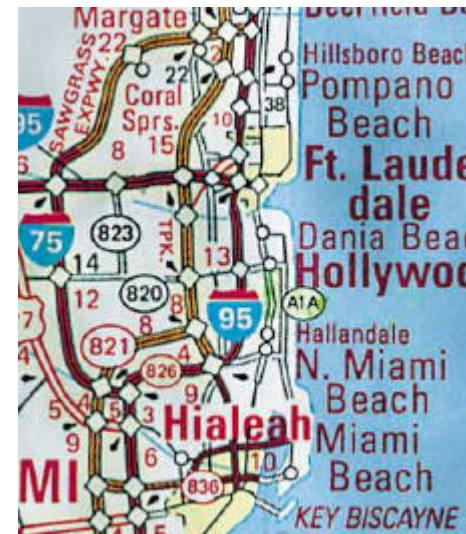
# Barrier Islands



Offshore Islands  
without generalization



Generalized roads and  
islands on State Map



Generalized roads and  
islands on Regional Map





# City Tints

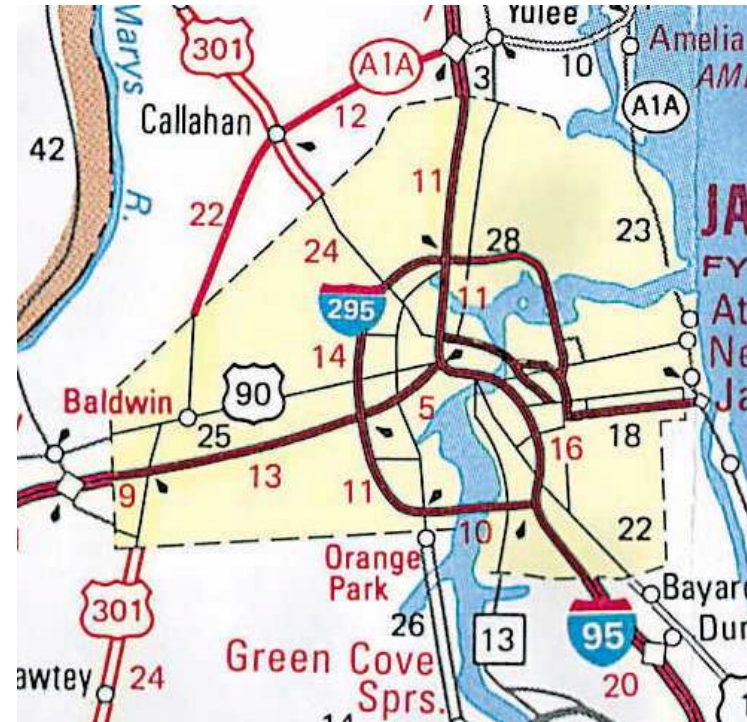
City Tints enlarged for visibility





# City Line Weight

- Road thickness knocked down in urban areas







# UNIX and Desktop Arcinfo

## UNIX Arcinfo:

- Large Sheet map production
- Data crunching
- Automated Extraction

## ArcGIS ArcMap

- Sheet Map Design / Compilation
- Tourbook maps (small format)
- *Automated Extraction ?*
- *Sheet Map Production ?*



# Ideal: Live Generalization from Master Database

- Map generalized in real time, in its own projection, with minimal interactive work
- No duplication of data, point to master data
- Cartographic adjustments to product
  - carto edits ‘remembered’ next time map is made



## Ideal: Carto edits without duplicating data

- Series of files stored locally in map directory that held all exceptions or offsets.
  - Store product modifications relative to master features.
  - Similar to the way dynamic segmentation events are defined (as relative to a starting point).



# ArcMap Wish List

- Objects know whether to include and how to represent themselves in different products at different scales
- Sophisticated behavior, consider relationships between objects
- Real Time performance in production environment for large map sizes
- Smart objects that update themselves in products



# Questions / Feedback

- Duplication of data
- Update
- Live generalization
- ArcMap capabilities

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