

Geol 588

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GIS for Geoscientists II

Lecture 7

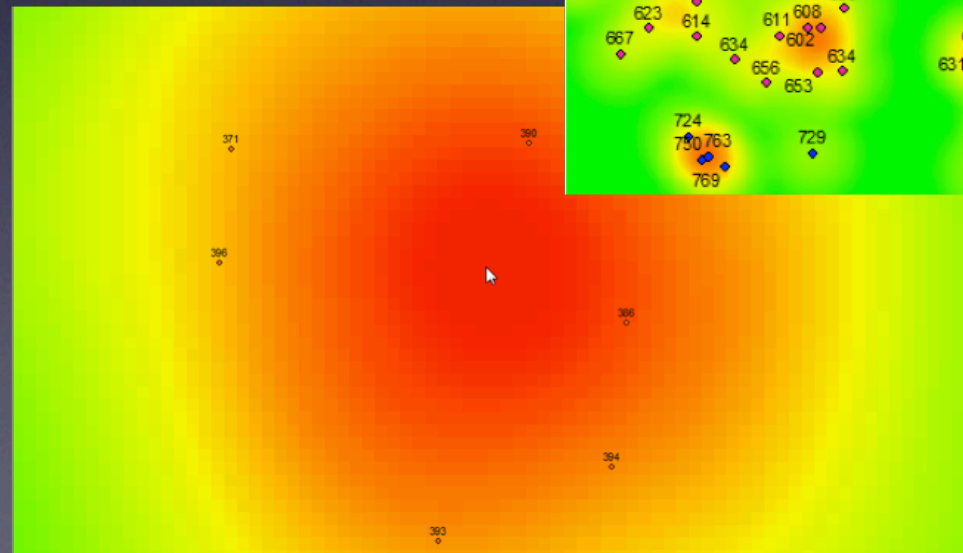
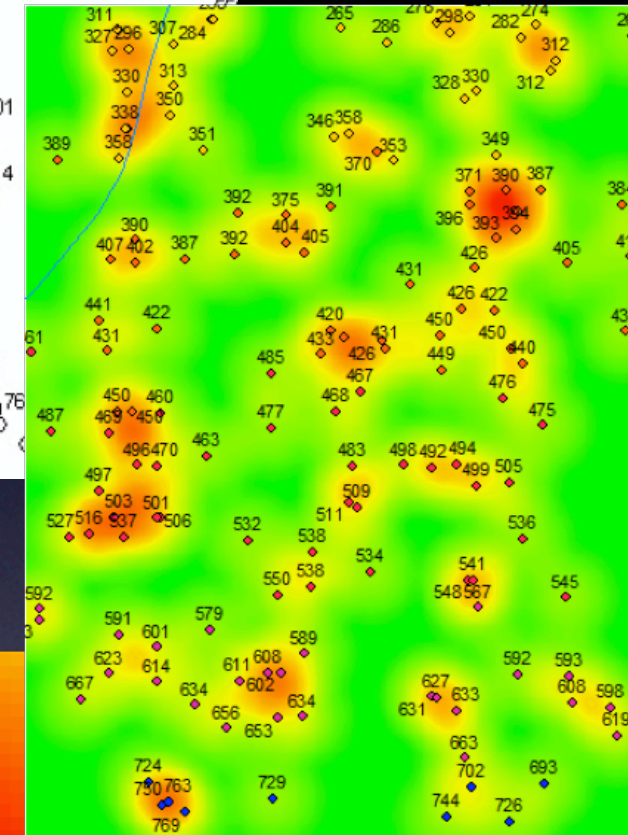
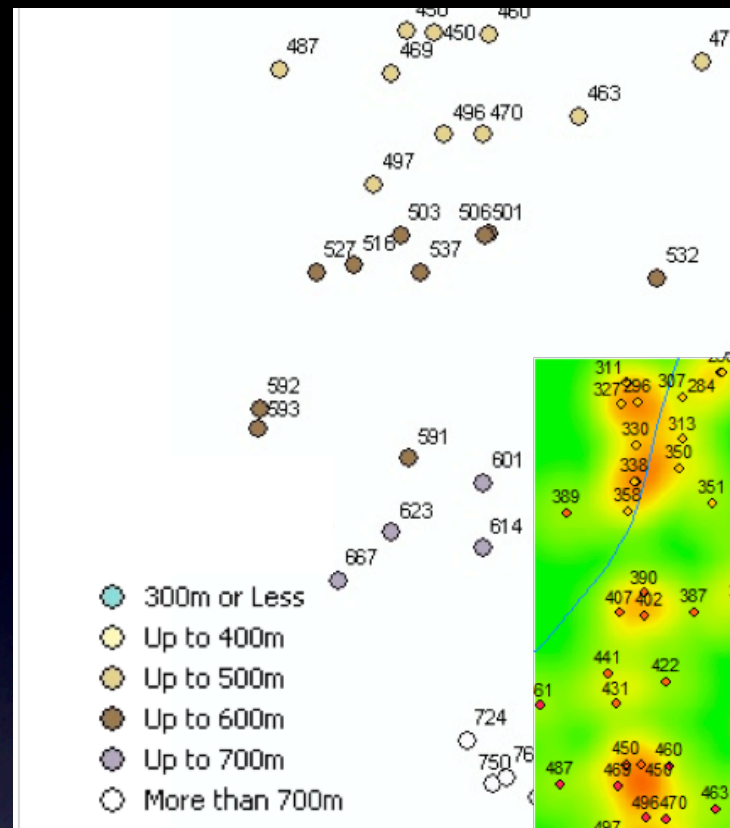
# Today

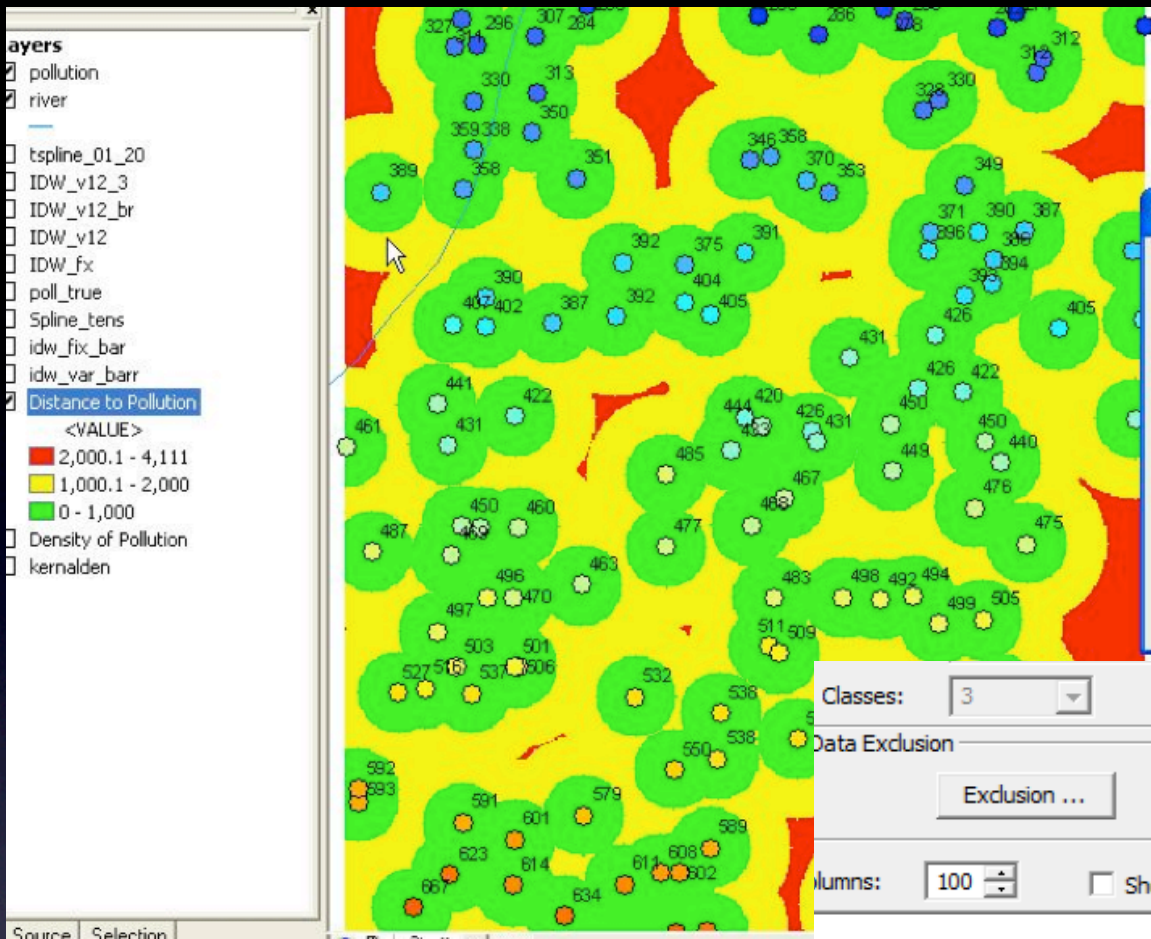
- Ex. 5 solution (interpolation)
- How to use the Model builder
- Notes:
  - No lab Tues. next week - but lecture
  - Midterm March 13 (no lab Mar. 11)
  - Final: Fri., May 9 9:45-11:45 ?

# Ex. 5 - Interpolation

## from points

- Initial data: bedrock elevation points
- visualize elevation (same color scheme as interpolation for comparison)
- shorten labels: use `int( [elev] )` in label expression (not in attribute table!)
- Where are samples “bunched up”?
- kernel density - histogram equalization for smooth color: bring out extremes
- no actual point at max. density!
- What’s the average distance between samples? ~ 1050 m (max: 4500!)
- Good interpolation up to 1050 m





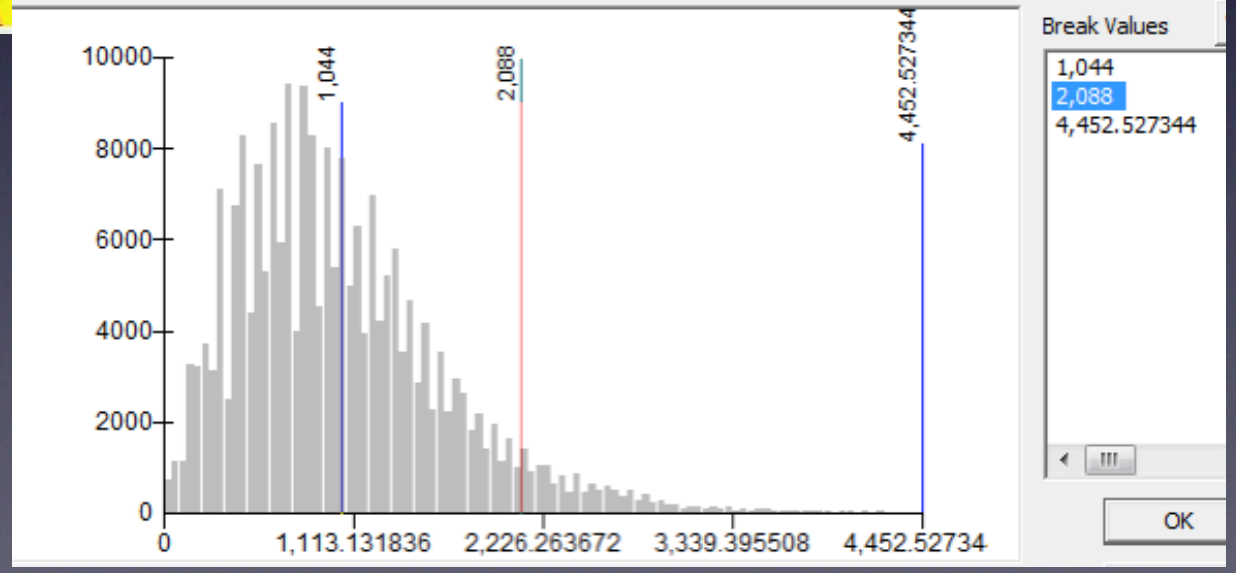
Classes: 3

Data Exclusion

Exclusion ... Sampling ...

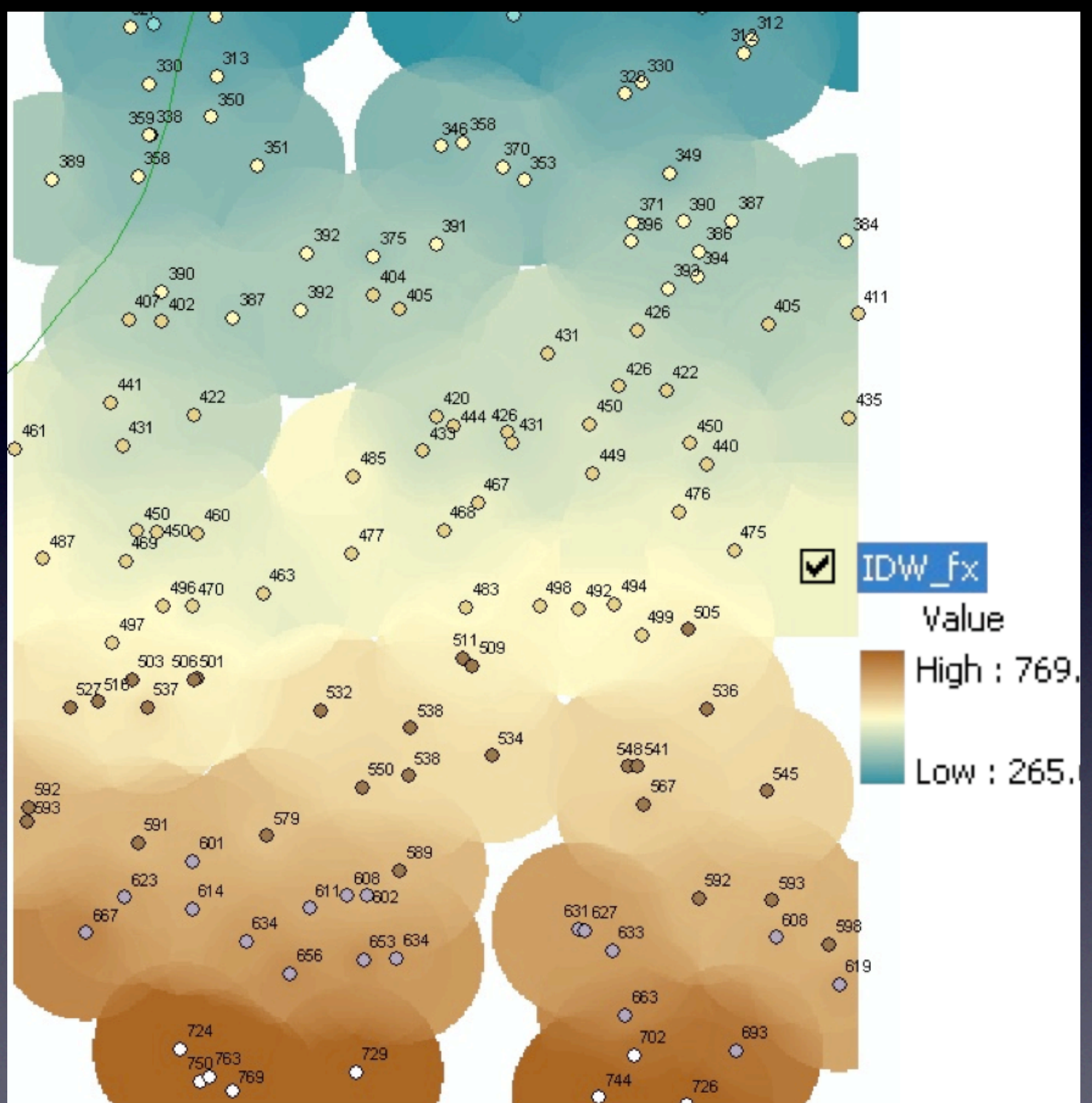
Columns: 100  Show Std. Dev.  Show Mean

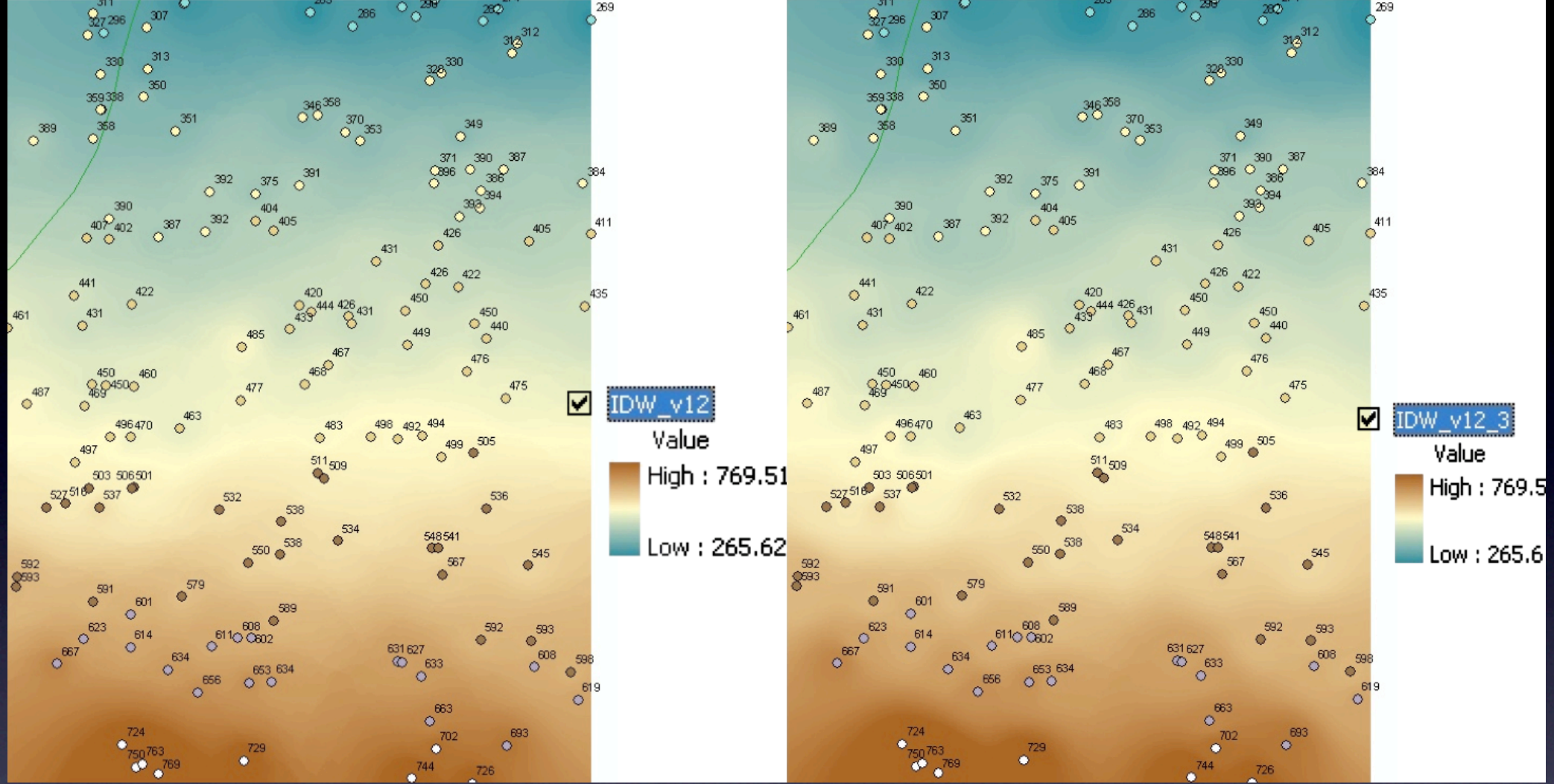
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Standard Deviation:	609.9514056



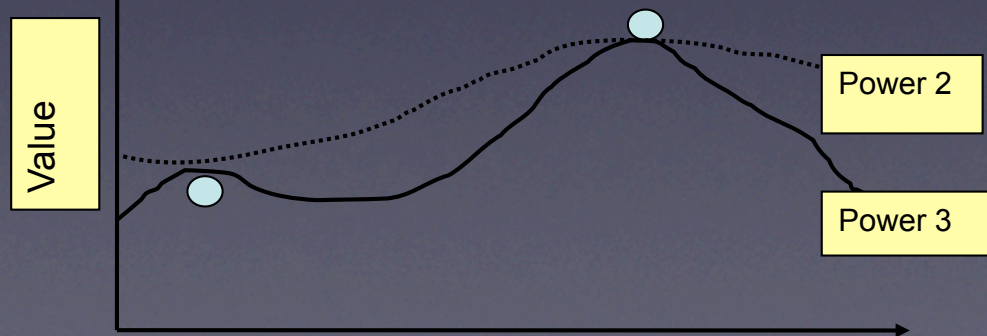
IDW with  
fixed radius  
(~2100 m)

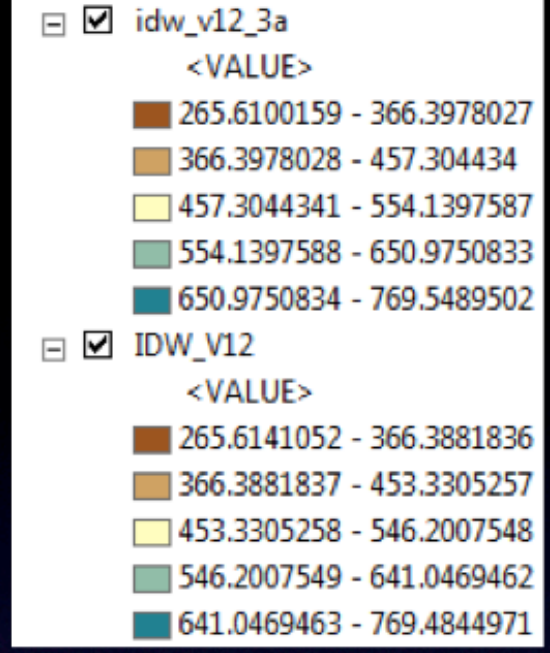
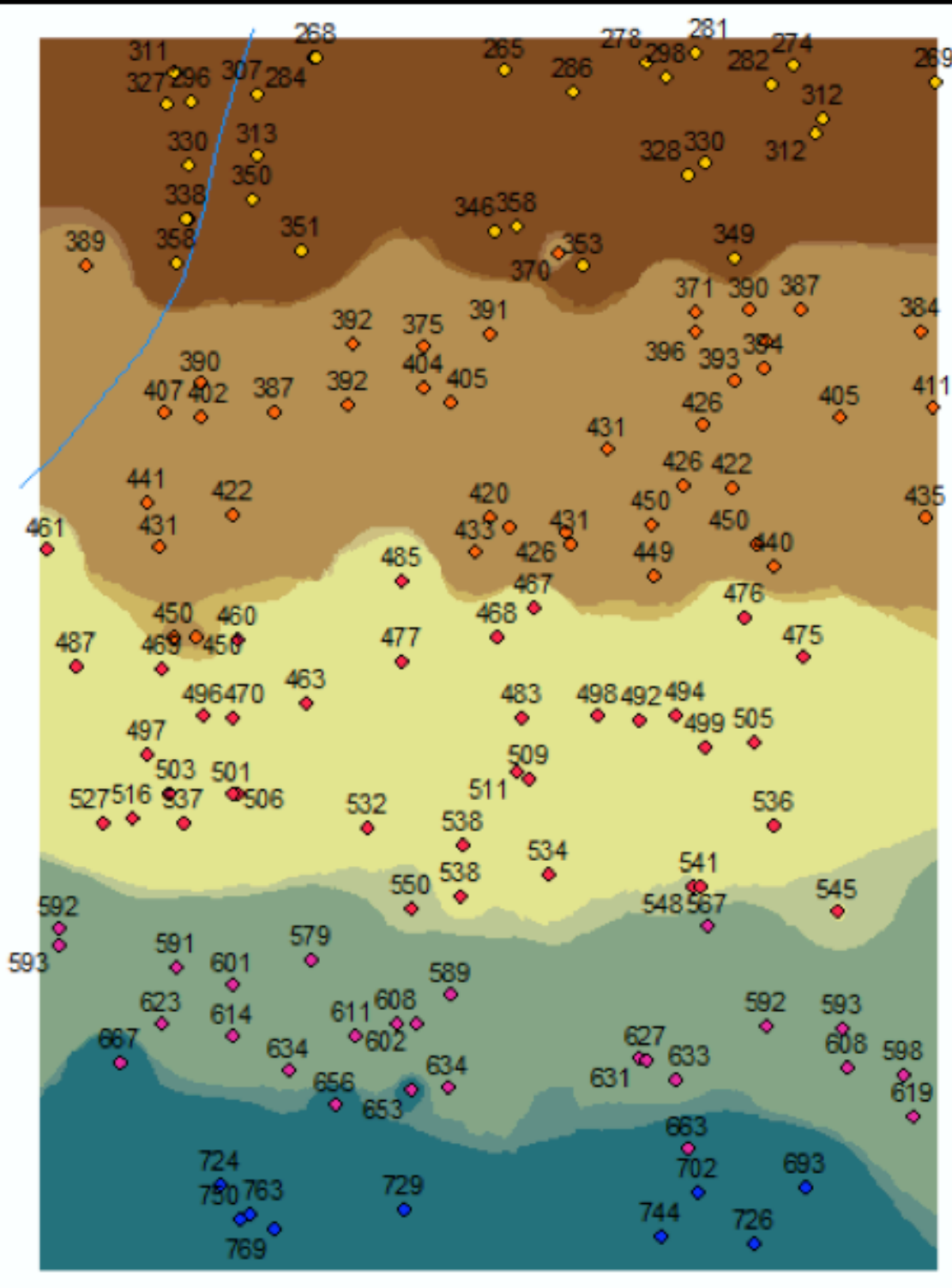
NoData  
assigned for  
cells beyond  
2100 m  
away from  
any sample!  
("our  
comfort  
zone")



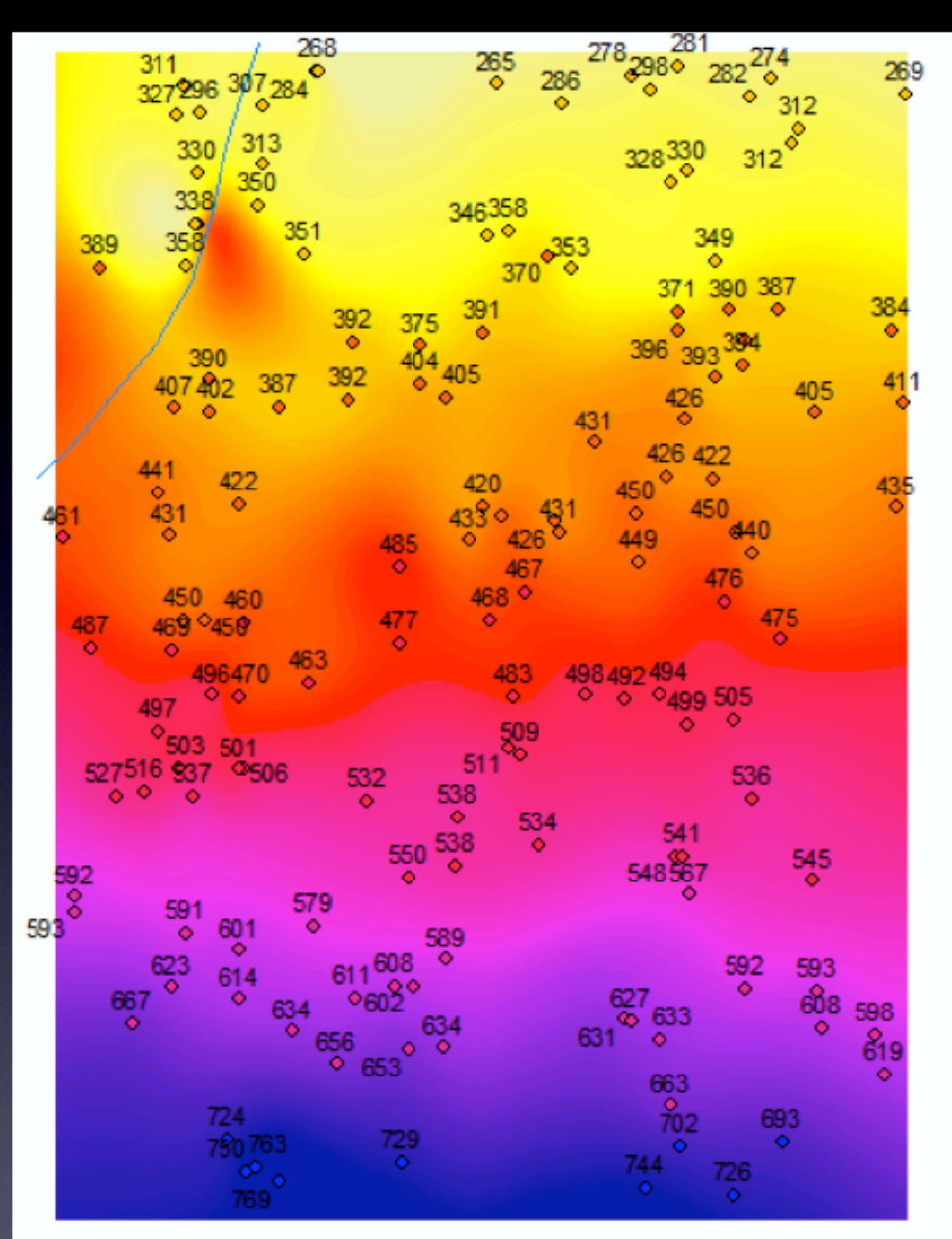
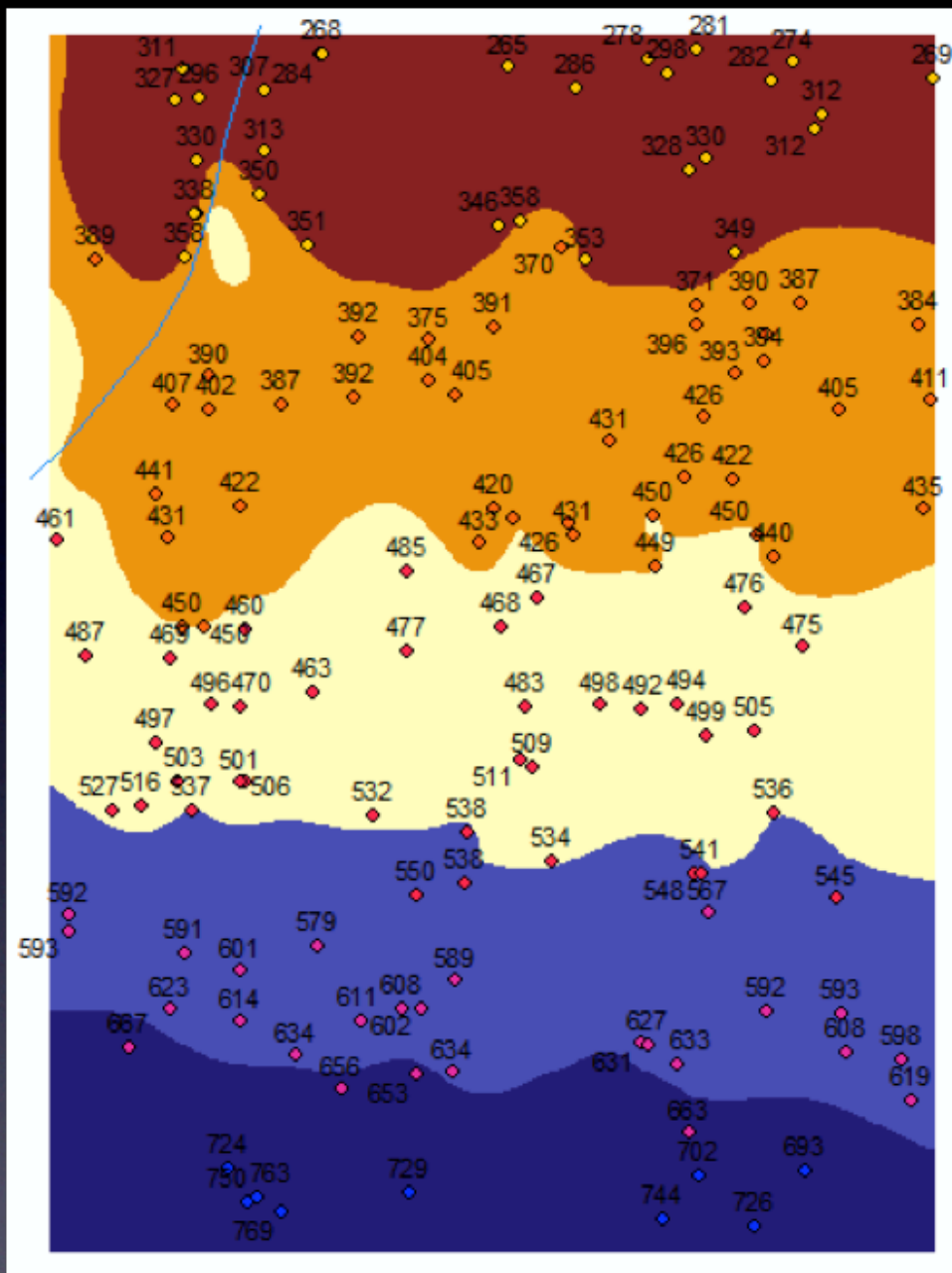


# IDW (12 closest points) power 2 vs power 3

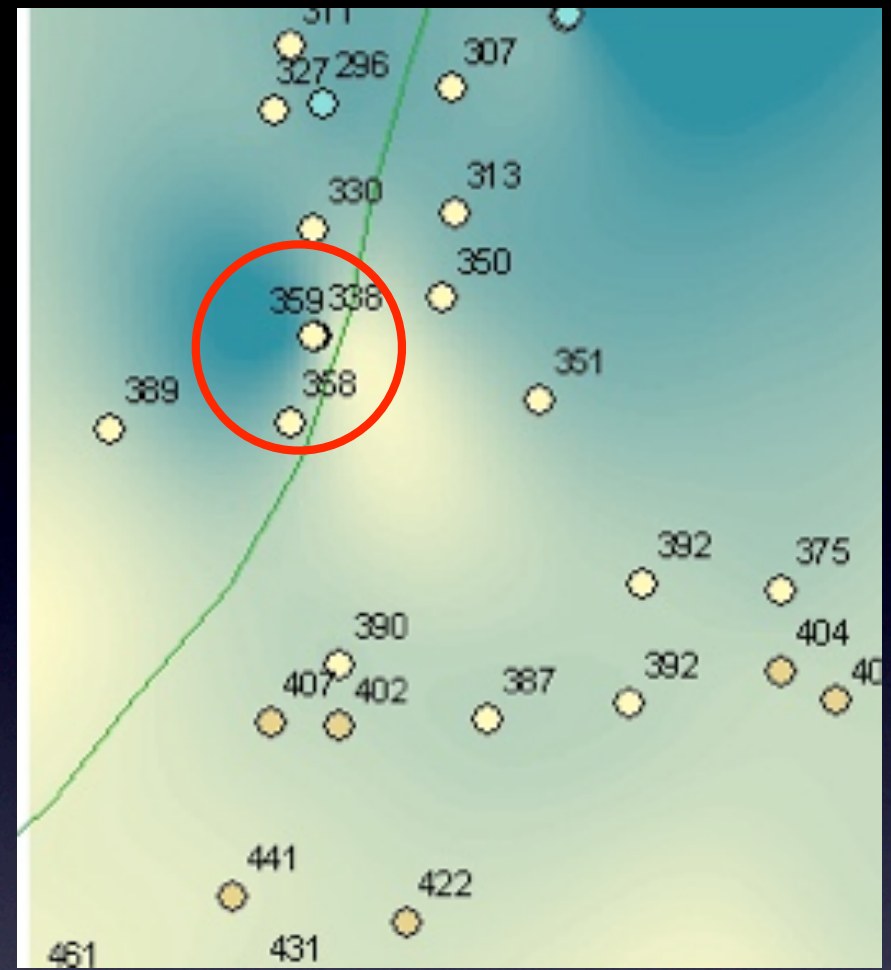
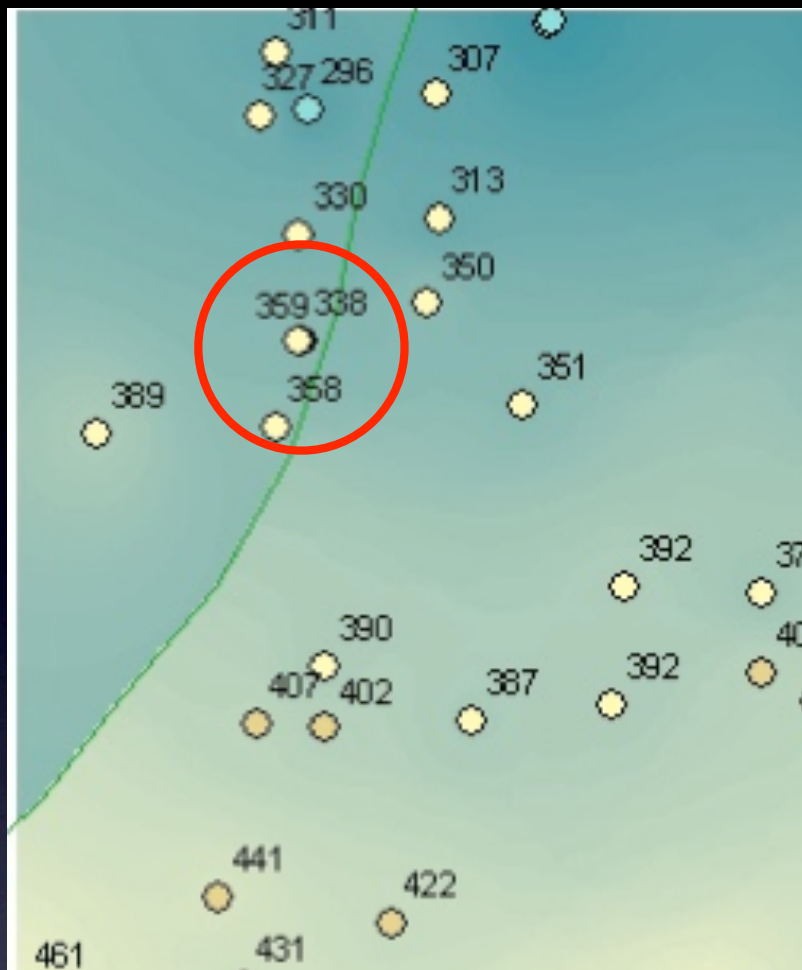




- power = 2:
- a sample that 10 m away is “worth”  $1 / (10 * 10) = 1/100$
- power = 3:
- same sample (10 m away) now is “worth” only  $1 / (10 * 10 * 10) = 1/1000$
- result:  
power=2 puts less emphasis on far away samples
- power=2 interpolations “drop off” faster from the sample locations







IDW with break line vs. Tension spline

Close (duplicate?) points with different elevation!

IDW just “averages”, spline tries to “optimize” - and “freaks out”

TSpline - IDW (simple subtraction)

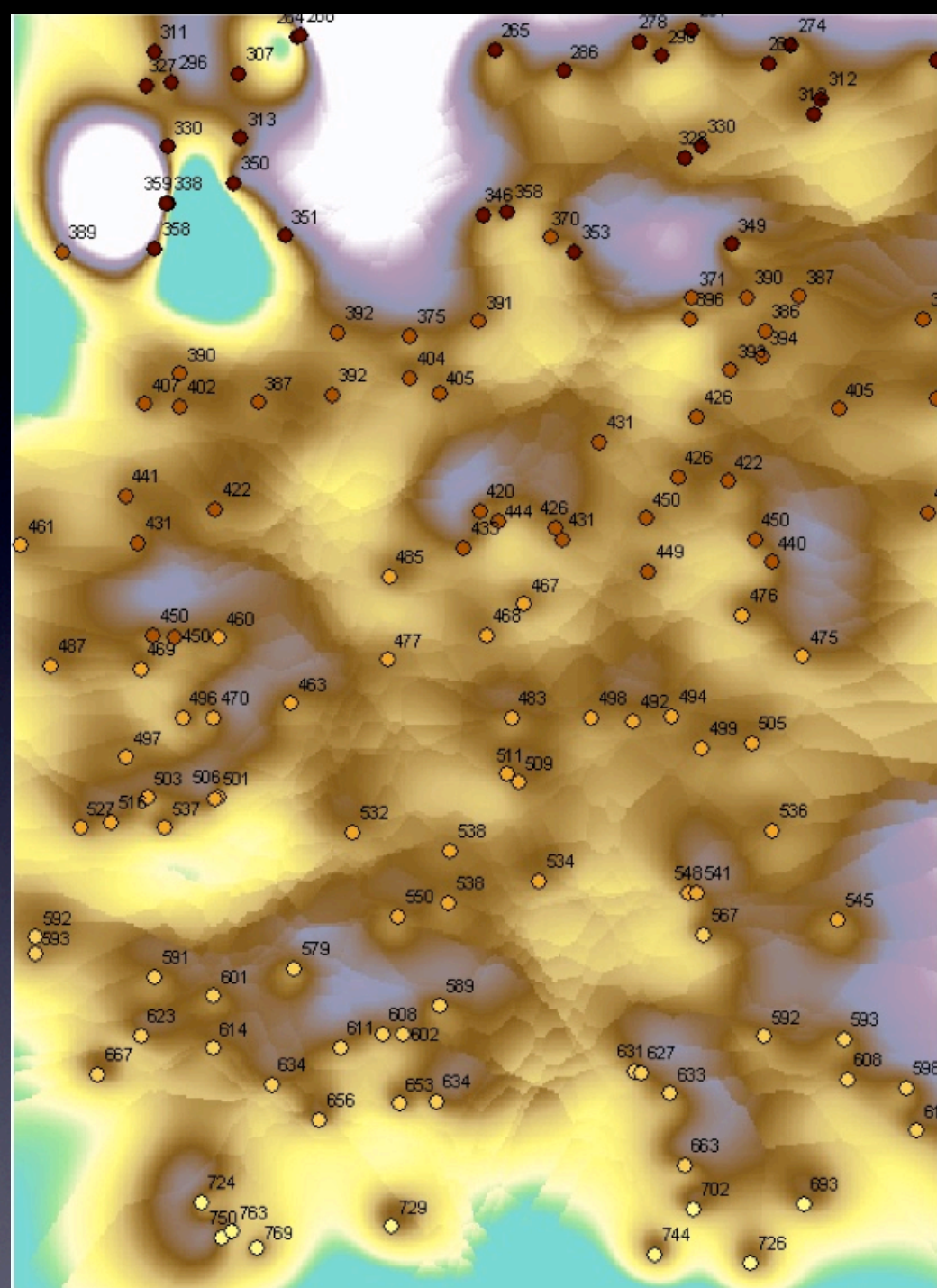
Better: absolute difference  
 $\text{abs}(\text{TSpline} - \text{IDW})$  or  
Root-Mean-Squared (RMS)

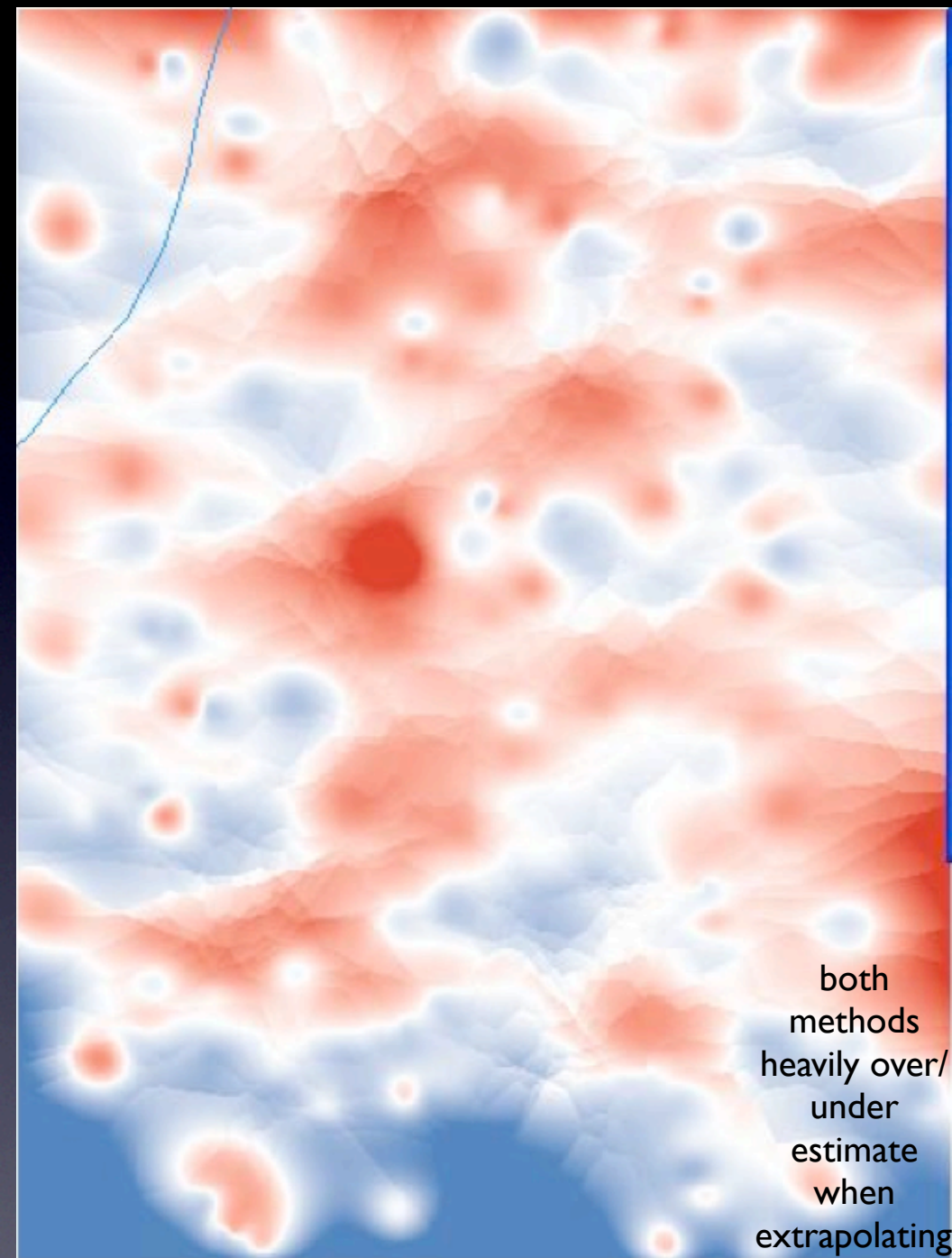
Or: difference of the total sum of all  
cell values (How?)

equivalent to comparing averages of  
 $\text{abs}(\text{TS} - \text{IDW})$

Shows smooth (spline) vs IDW's "linear  
patterns" (why?)

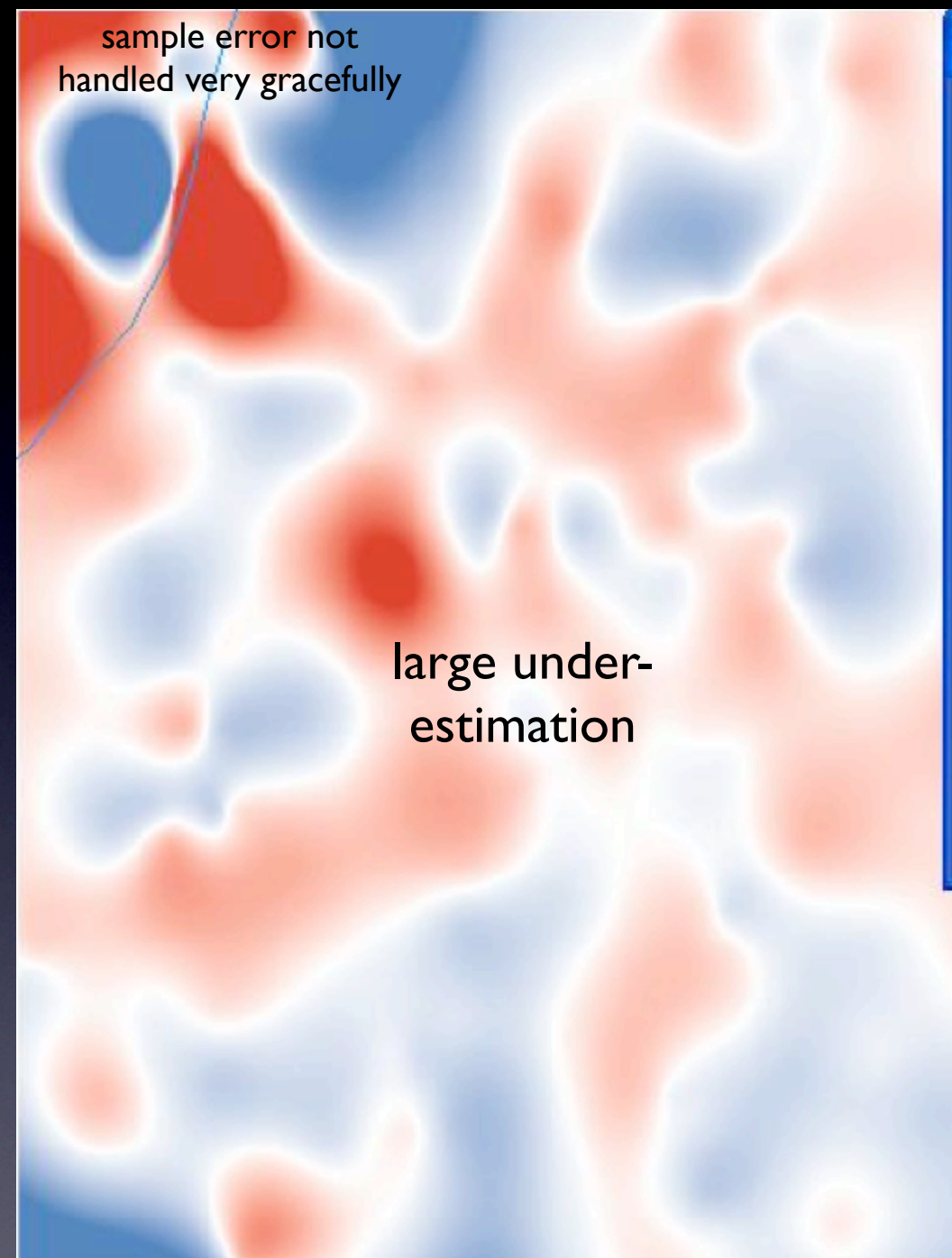
Better measure of interpolation quality:  
subtract each from the true values and  
compare (compare **residuals**)





both  
methods  
heavily over/  
under  
estimate  
when  
extrapolating

true - IDW (non-abs avg. = -12.1)



sample error not  
handled very gracefully

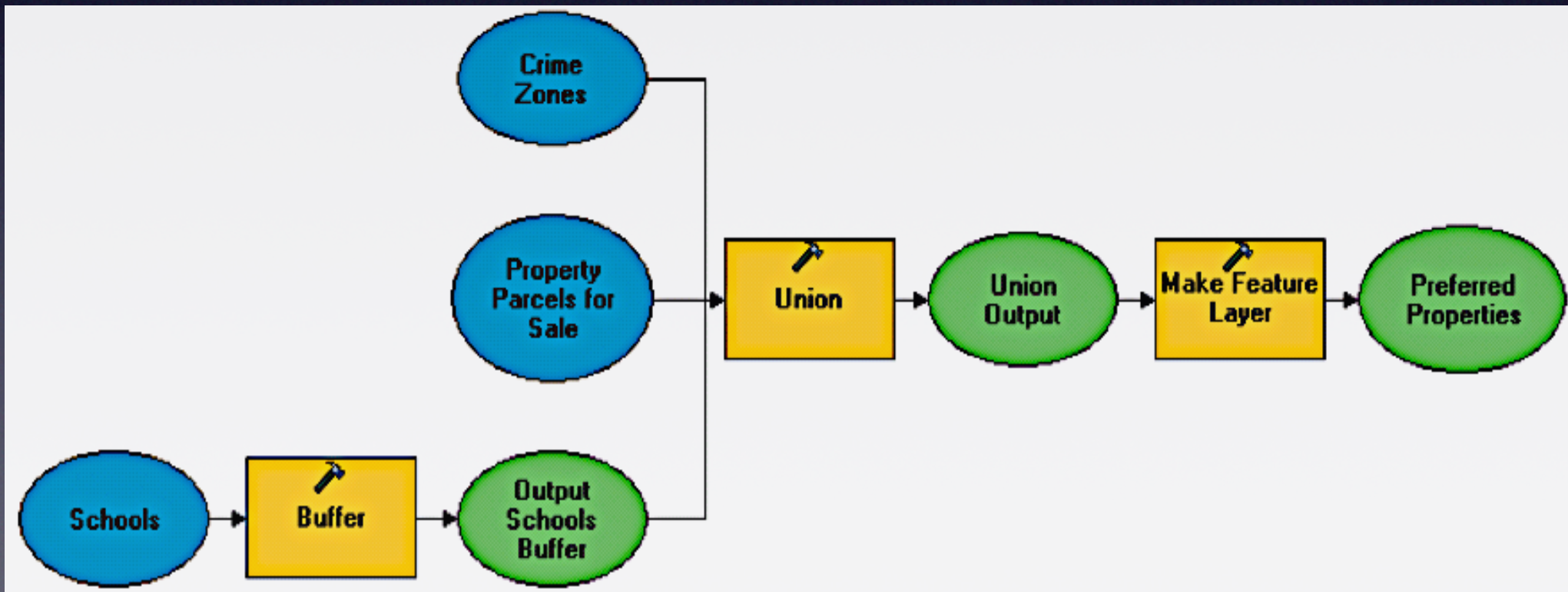
large under-  
estimation

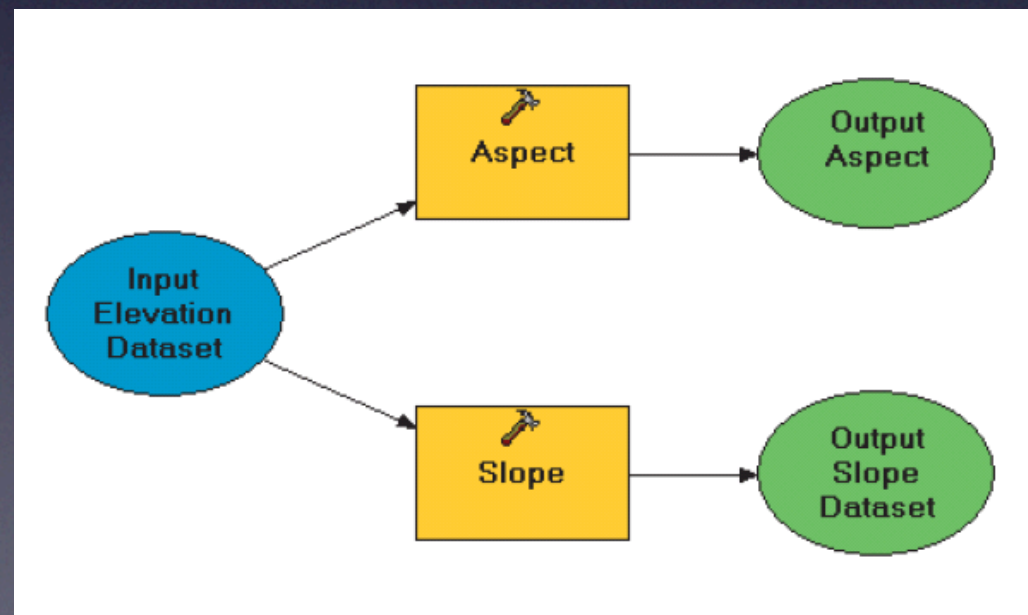
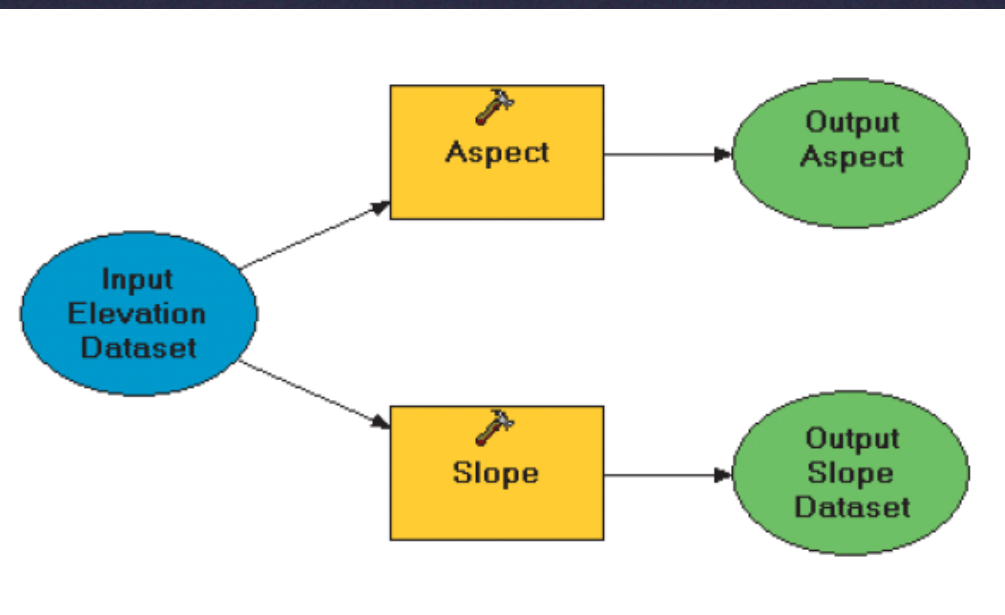
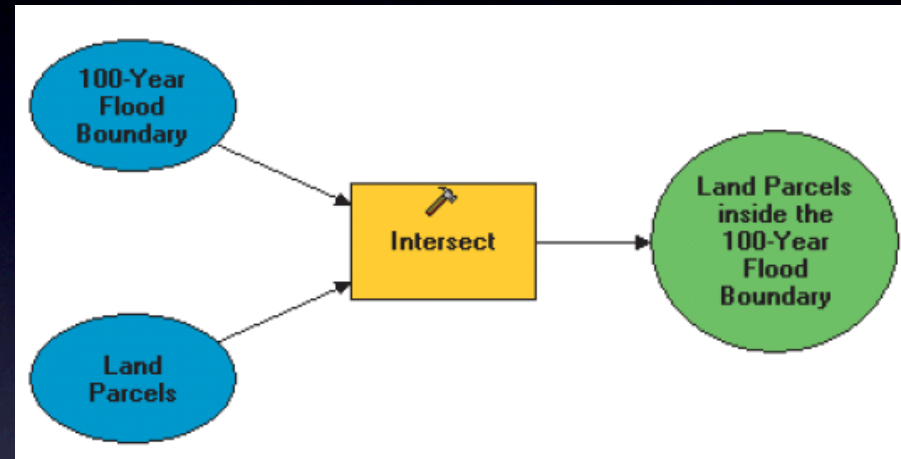
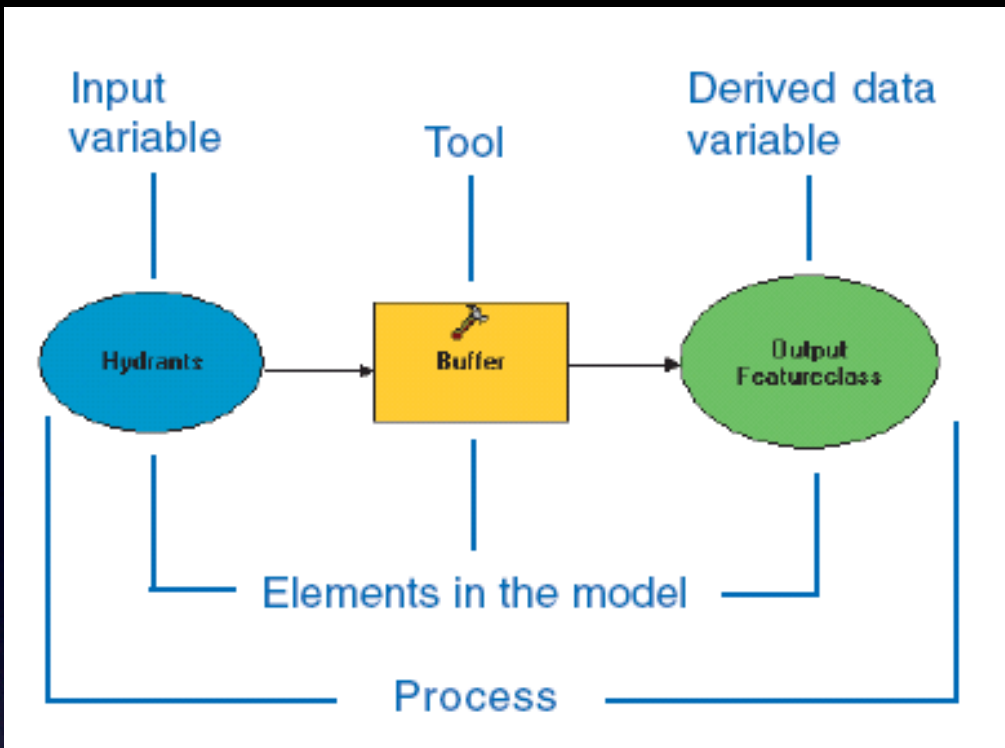
true - Spline (non-abs avg. = -14.1)

5 min pause

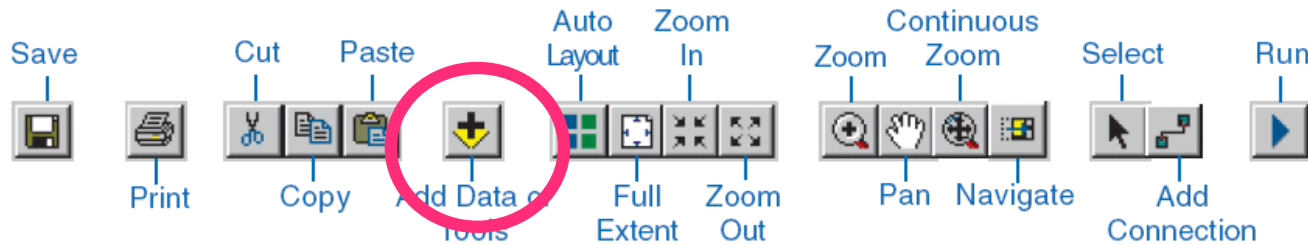
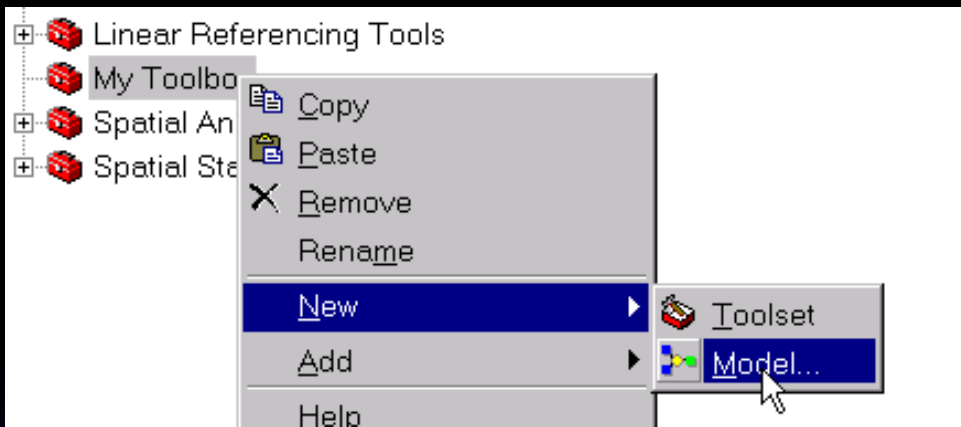
# Model Builder

- Sequence of geoprocessing tools
- Flowchart story of geoprocessing operations
- Allows parameters for flexible models
- Allows to show a process (on a poster)

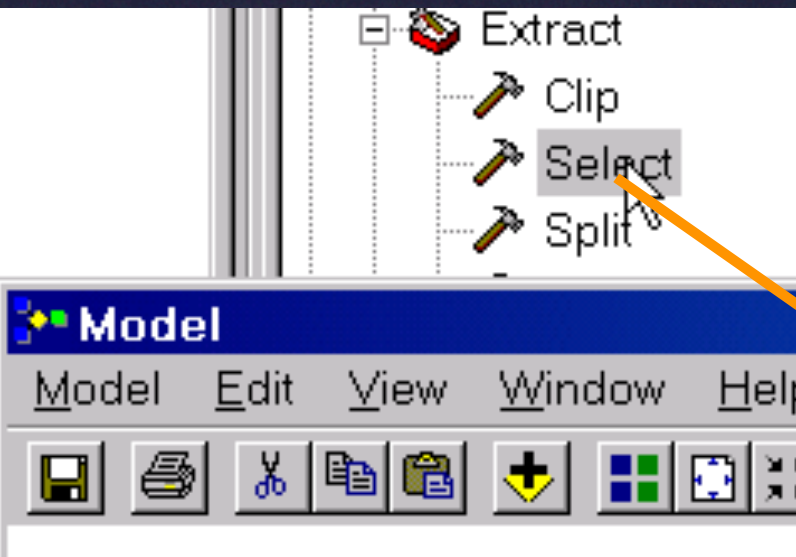




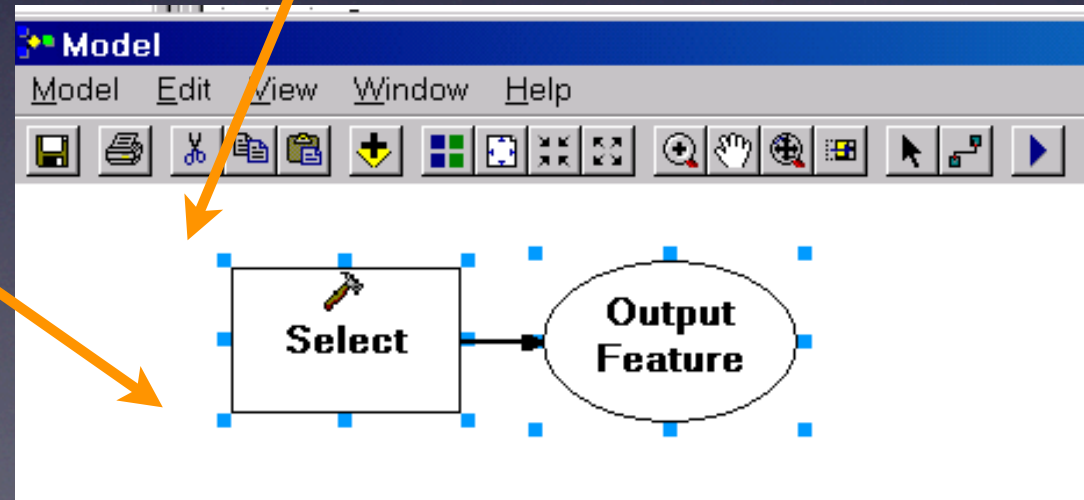
# Creating a new toolbox and Model



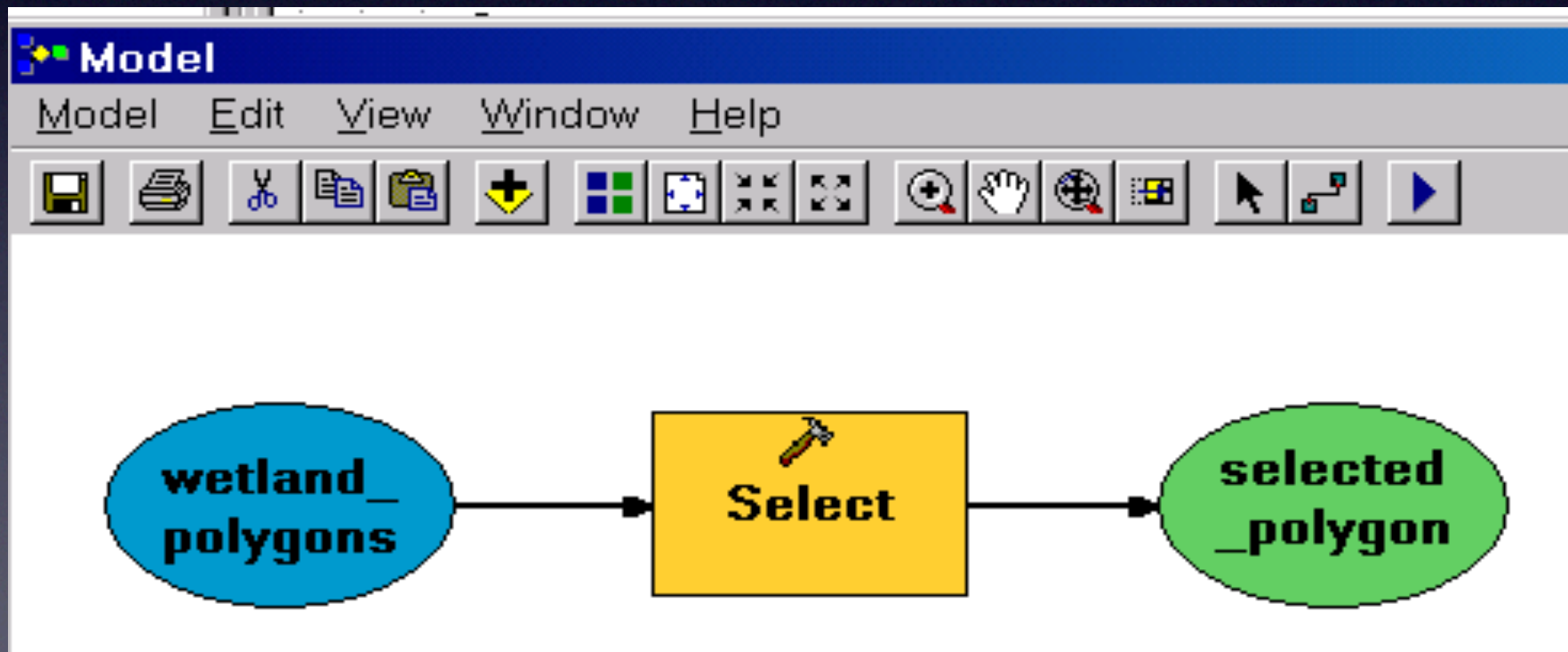
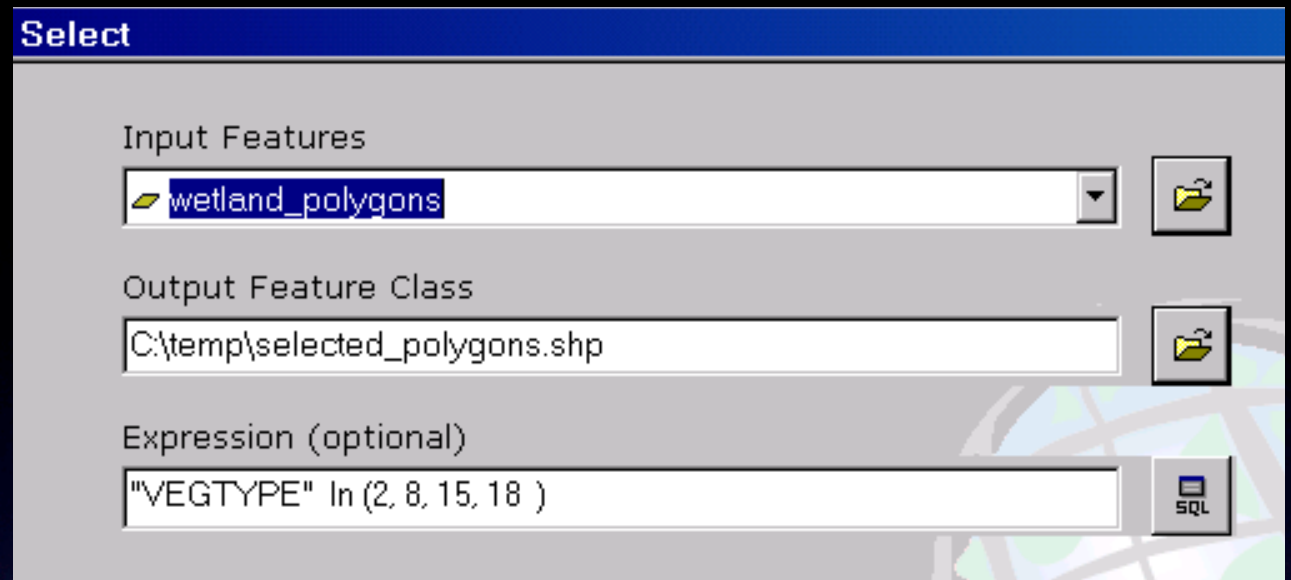
Add data



drag tool

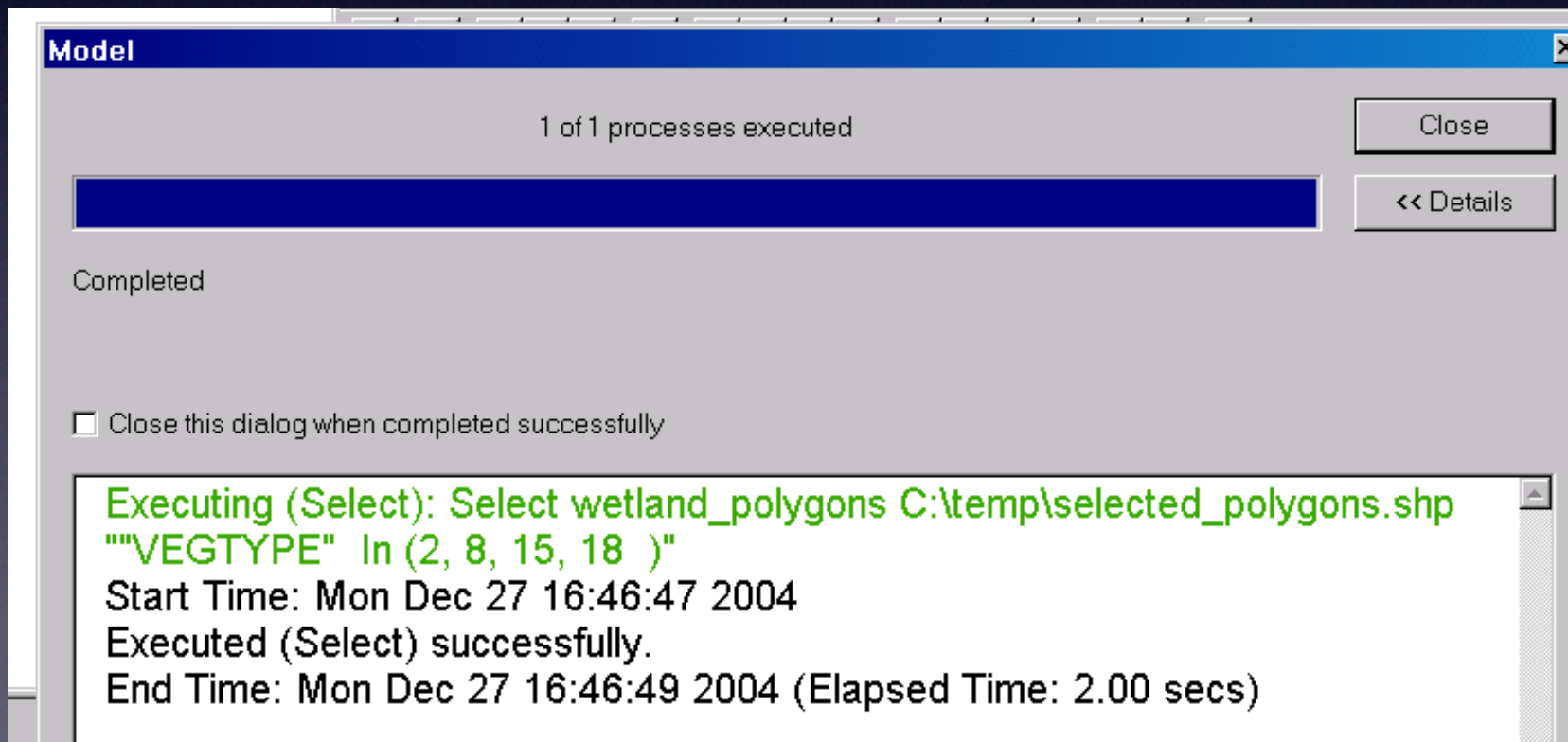
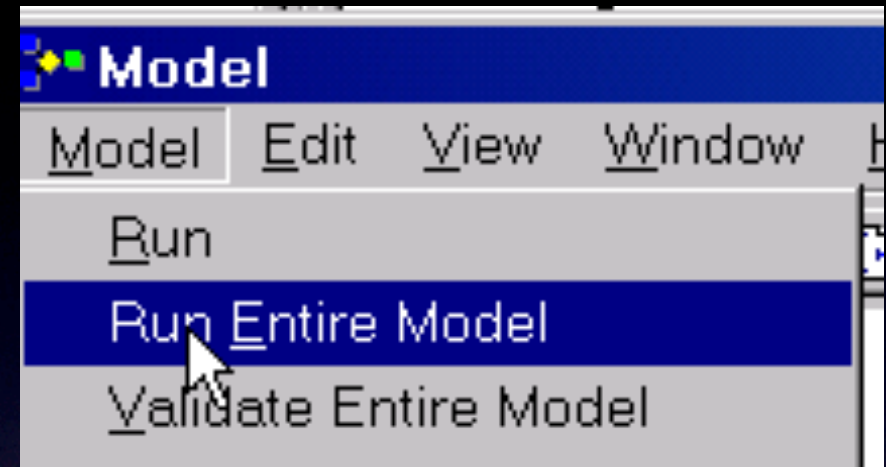
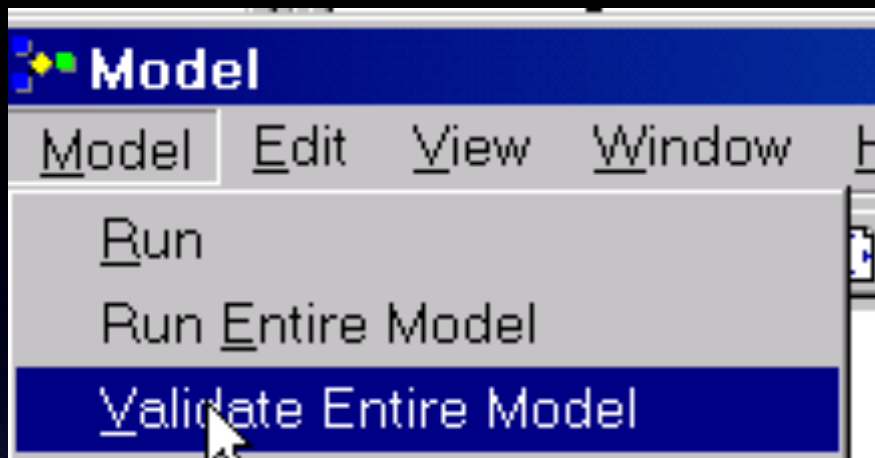


drag layer from TOC

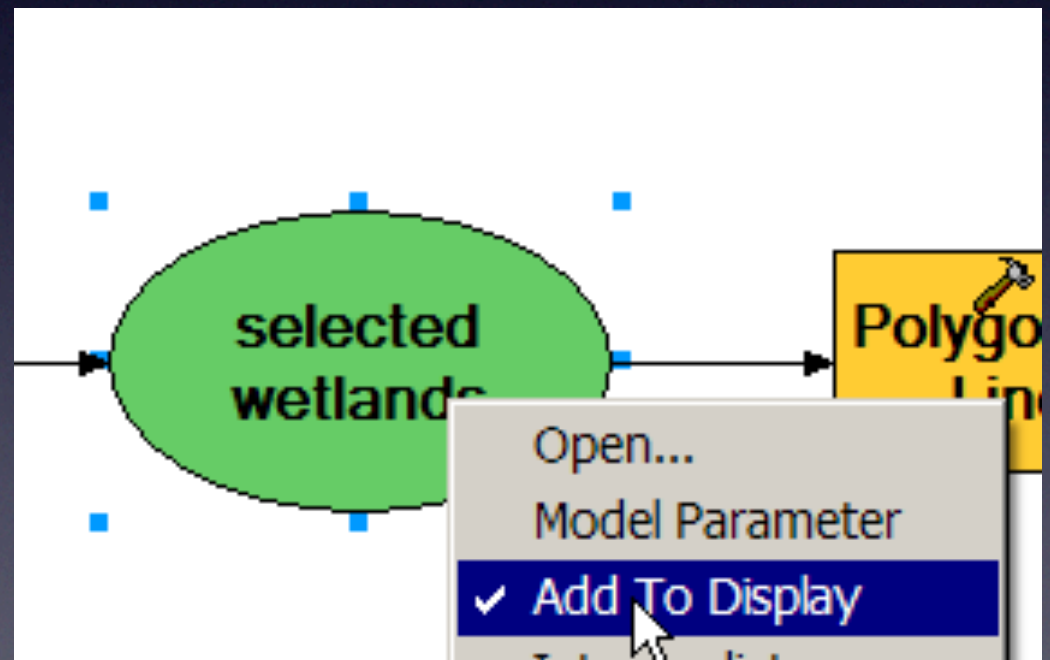
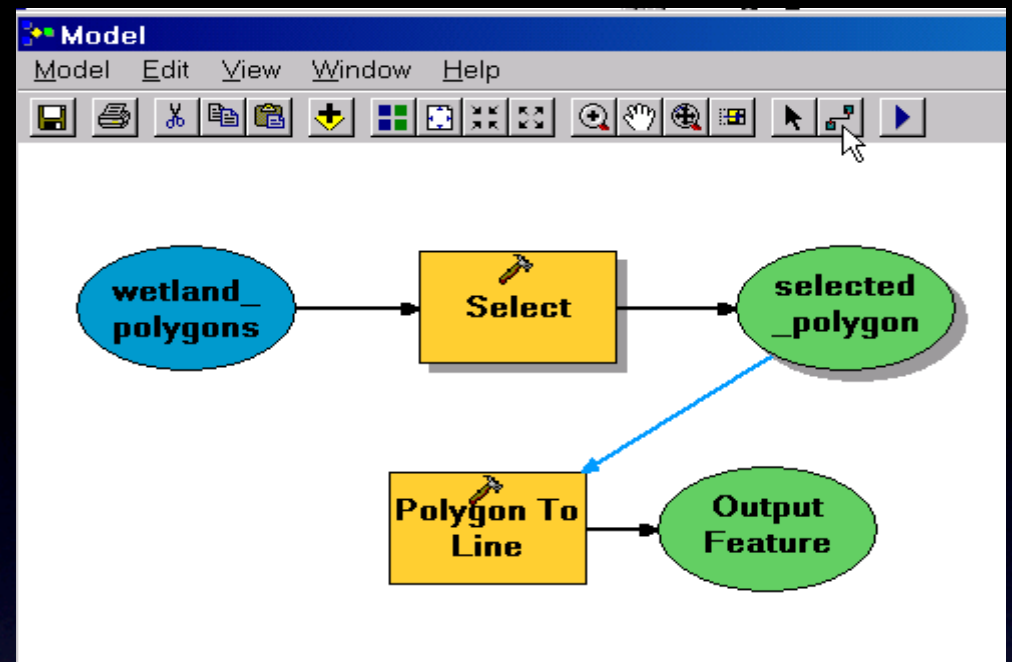
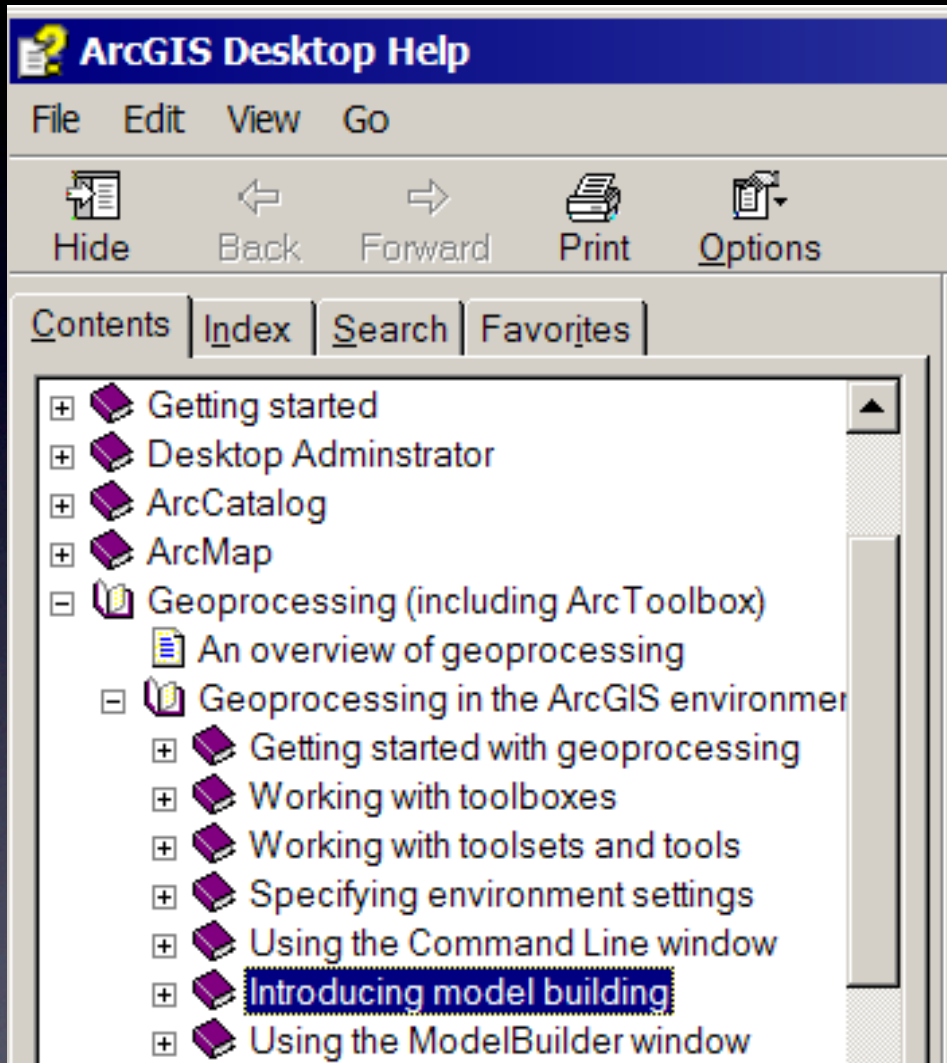




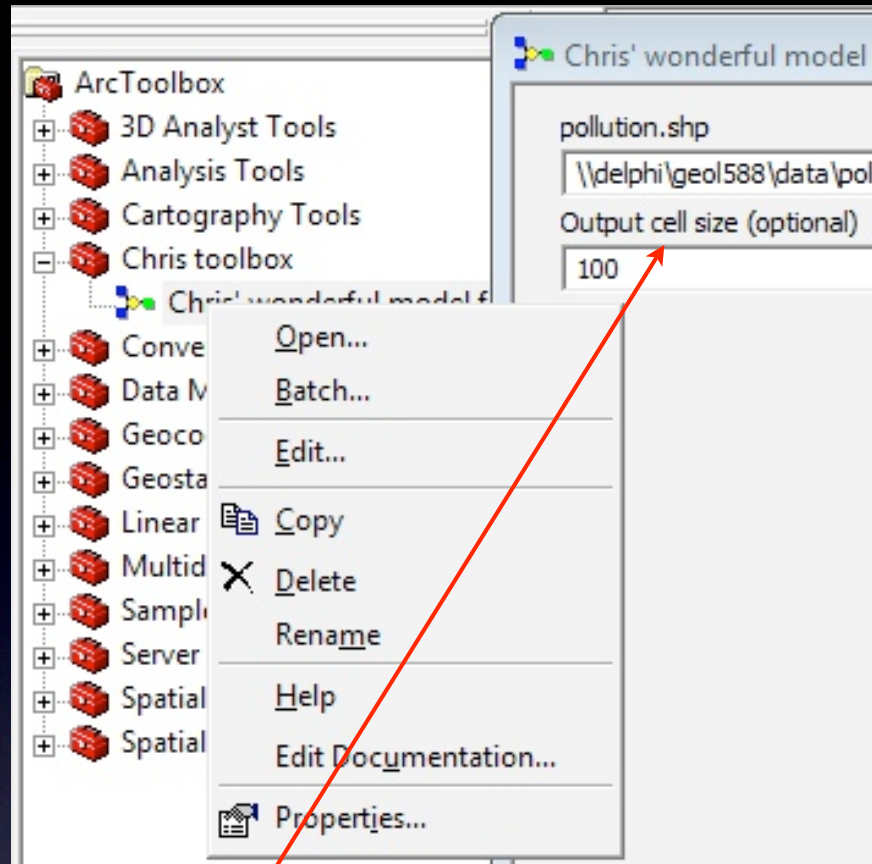
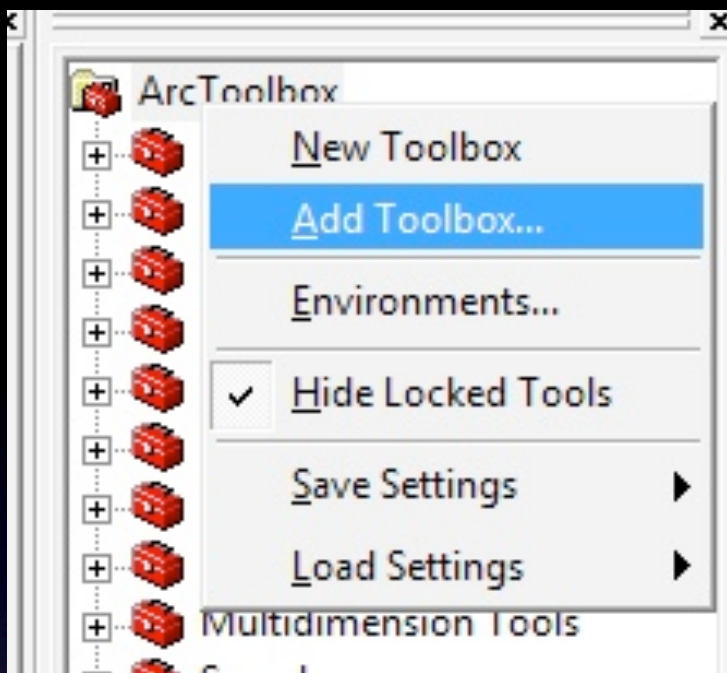
# Validate & Run



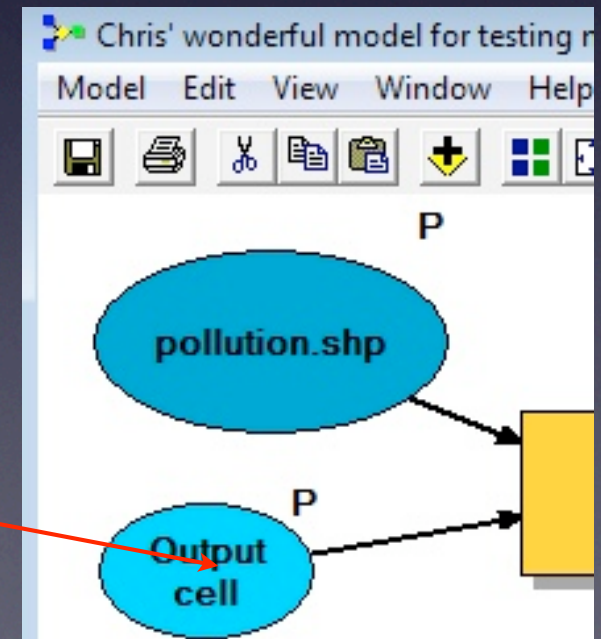
# Connect graphically



Add to display and TOC



- Need New Toolbox for your tools
- Tools must be saved/loaded from a Toolbox (folder)
- Open (2 x click) runs the tool (like internal tool)
- tool window Parameters (P) in graphic
- To change the internal program, use Edit



- ESRI support web help (Model builder)
- “What I wish I had known about ModelBuilder before I started using it”
- <http://blogs.esri.com/Support/blogs/mappingcenter/archive/2009/02/19/10-things-I-wish-I-had-known-about-ModelBuilder-before-I-started-using-it.aspx>hyperlink

# Model Builder: practical case

- create a Modelbuilder folder in your student folder, add pollution points shape file
- change location for storing your tools in your folder (Tools > Options > Geoprocessing > My Toolboxes)!
- check: “overwrite output of geoprocessing operations”
- new ArcToolbox, (MyTools)
- new Model (Name: Interp\_tool, Label: My Interpolation Tool, Store Relative path names!)
- Interpolate from bedrock\_elevation points (different schemes and parameters) (call: samples)
- Spatial Analysis Tools > Interpolation > IDW
- Connect Samples to IDW
- configure IDW tool, make sure output is saved locally (call IDW\_result)

- output > Add to display (show changes). Save Tool and run model
- play with different IDW parameters(will overwrite!)
- Sp.A.Tools > Math > Minus Tool
- connect to IDW result
- add dem\_steep, subtract IDW result from it
- check order: 2. input - 1. input
- Add result of subtraction to display
- Next: zonal statistics: sum of differences ( = thickness)