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# Spatio-Temporal Database

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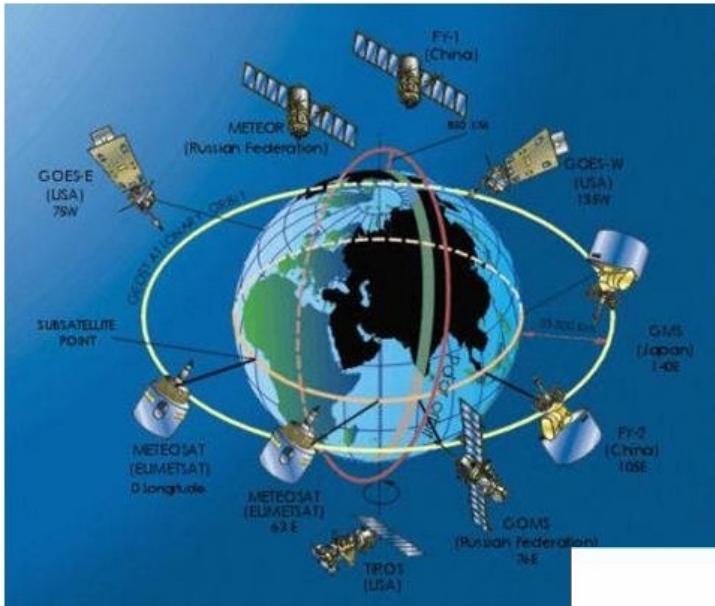
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- (2) Ontology for Spatio-Temporal Data
- (3) Representation of Spatio-Temporal Data
  - (a) Existing Spatio-Temporal Database Models
- (4) Spatio-Temporal Database Systems

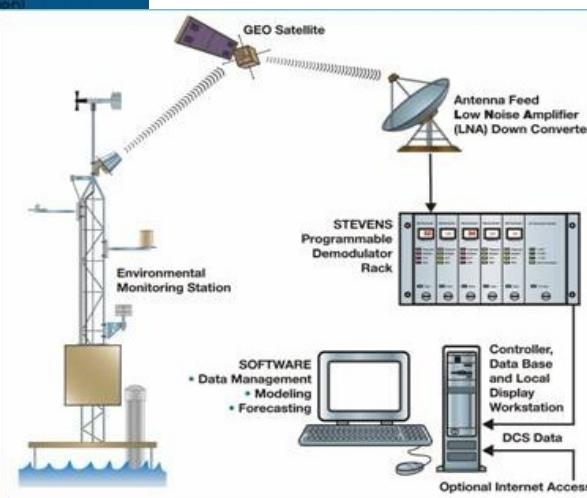
# Dynamic Geospatial Data and Applications

# Dynamic Geospatial Data

Technological advances in geospatial data collection.



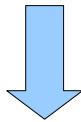
Earth observation  
and GPS satellites



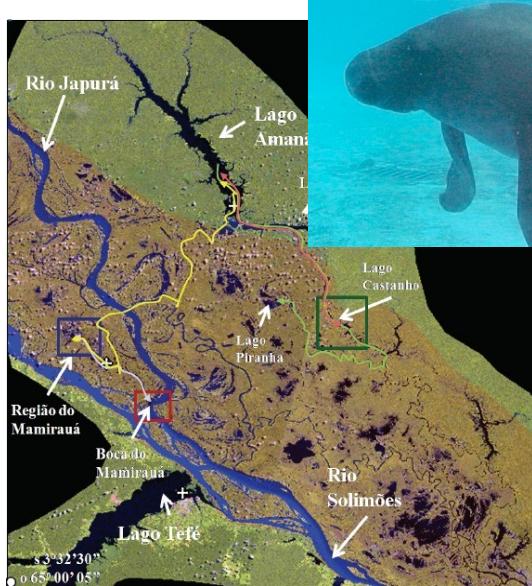
wireless and mobile  
computing,  
radio-frequency  
identification (RFIDs)  
and sensor networks

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Technological advances in geospatial data collection.



Applications which handle dynamic geospatial information



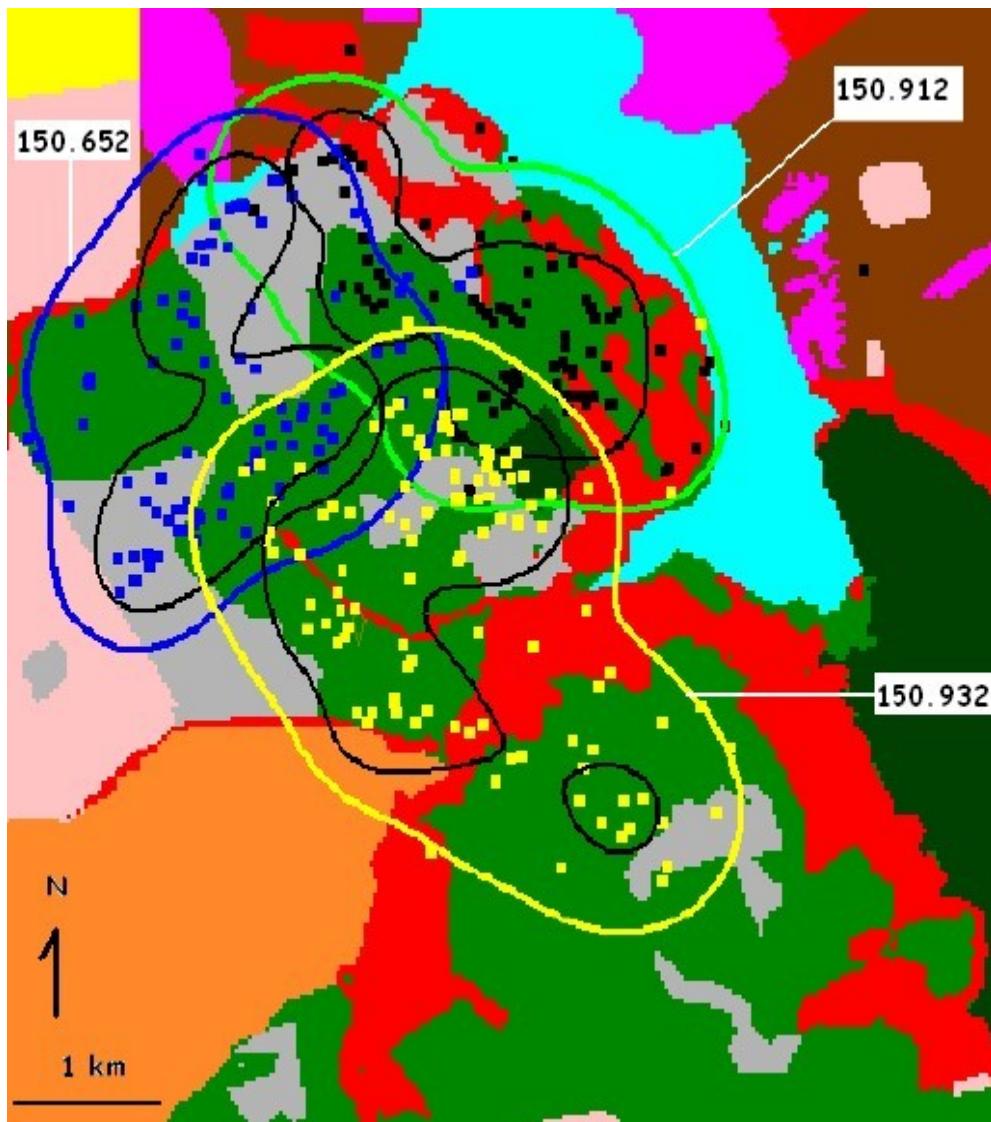
[Arraut, E. M. 2008]

Animal tracking monitoring



hurricane and volcanic eruption monitoring

# Dynamic Geospatial Data: Applications



Levantamento, área de vida, uso e seleção de habitat de **Aves de Rapina** na região central do estado de São Paulo.

Julho de 2005 a junho de 2007 - monitorando 6 aves de rapina por rádio-telemetria.

Mapa de Uso e Ocupação do Solo

X

Trajetórias Dos Animais

[Marco Granzinolli, 2009]

Cana-de-açúcar

Formação florestal

Pastagem

Laranja

Urbanização

Campo cerrado

Cerrado aberto

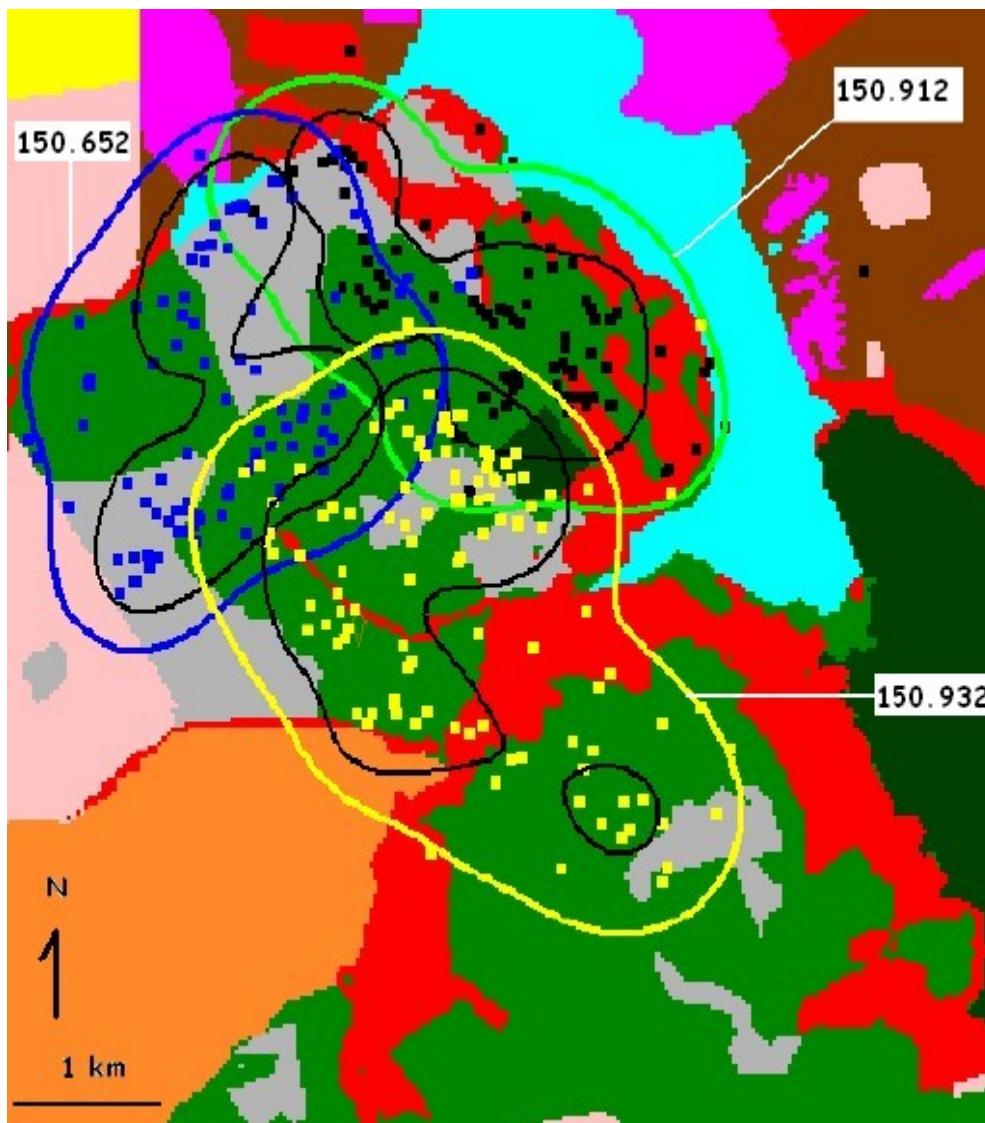
Eucalipto

Água

Outros cultivos

Pinus

# Dynamic Geospatial Data: Applications



Todos os dados geo-espaciais estão variando ao longo do tempo: Uso e Ocupação do Solo (**geo-field**) e Localizações dos animais (**geo-object**).

*“Quanto tempo o animal 150.652 permaneceu em cada uso e ocupação do solo?”*

*“Em quais momentos o animal 150.652 sai do cerrado aberto e entra no campo cerrado”*

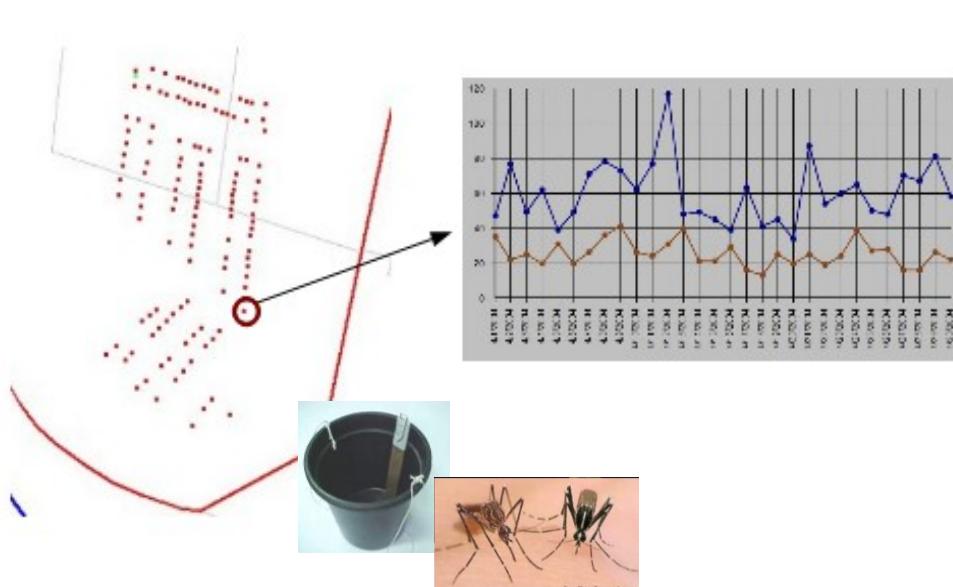
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# Dynamic Geospatial Data: Applications

SAUDAVEL



*"Which month had the biggest number of infected eggs?"*

*"When and where were more than 80 infected eggs collected by each trap?"*

**[Monteiro et. al., 2009]**

**[INPE's Antarctica Program, 2010]**



*"When and where did objects o1 and o2 meet each other (considering a meeting when the distance between two objects is less than 2 meters)?"*

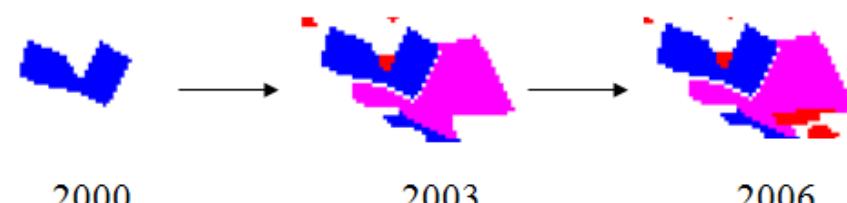
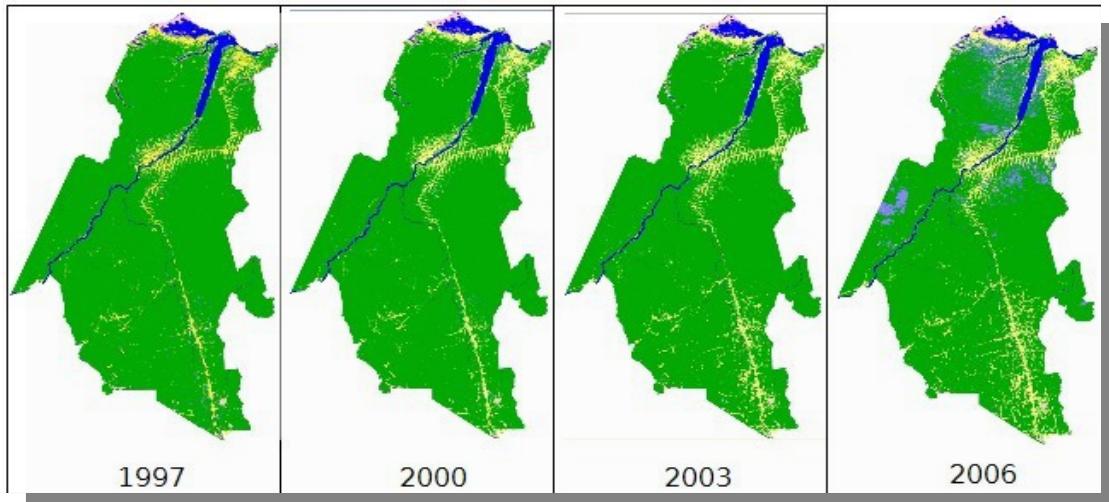
*"Where and when was there a spatio-temporal cluster of objects?"*

Movement Monitoring

# Dynamic Geospatial Data: Applications

PRODES

Imagens Classificadas



Polígonos de Desmantelamento

"How was the state of a specific deforested region in 2002? (considering that this specific deforested region was not observed in 2002)?"

"how did a specific deforested region evolve over time between 2000 and 2008?"

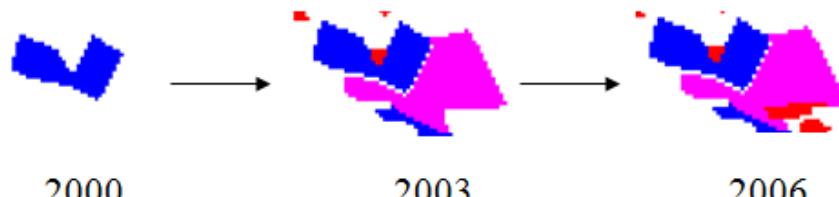
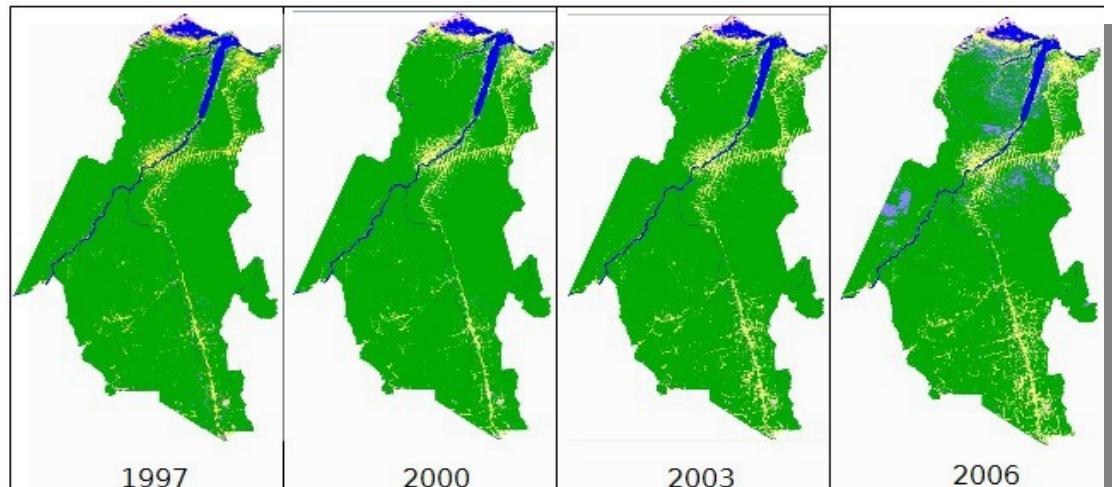
"how did the deforested regions that started less than 2 kilometer far from the river r1 evolve over time?"

"when did a specific deforested region reach the municipality x?"

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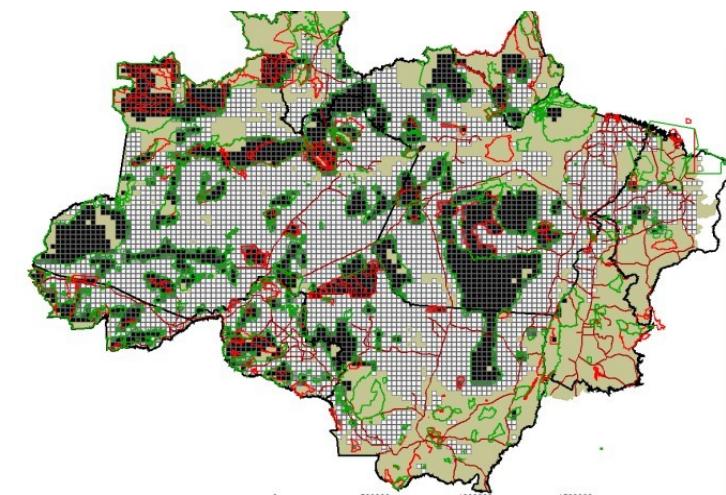
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Polígonos de Desmantelamento

Land Use and Land Cover Modeling

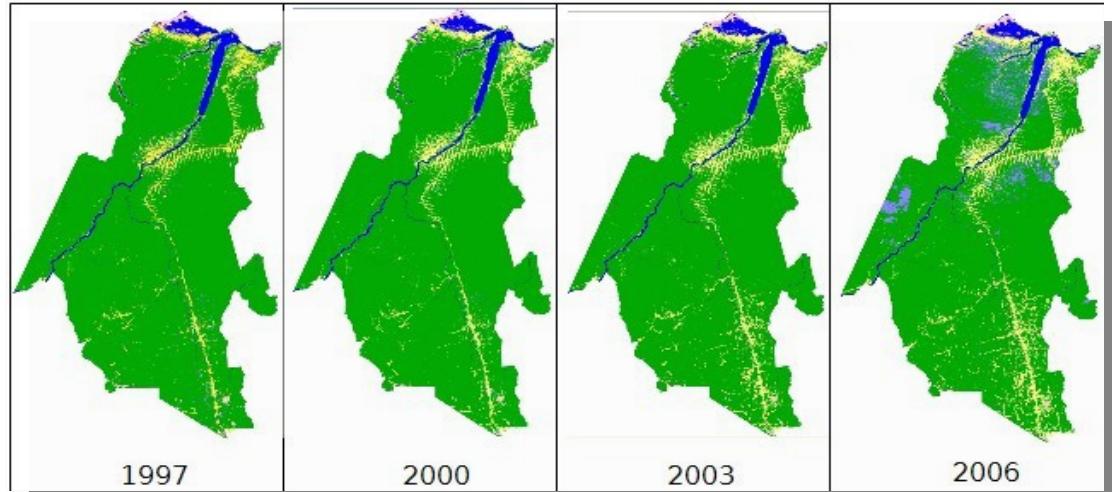


*“given a cell, how has the forest status been varying in this cell over time?”*

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2000

2003

2006

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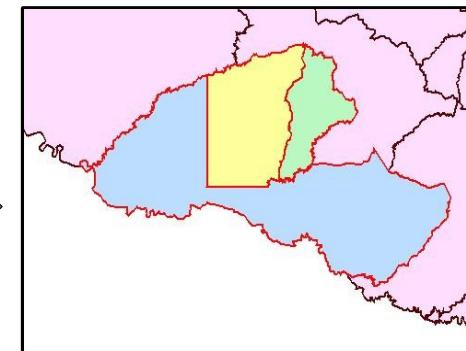
2003

2006

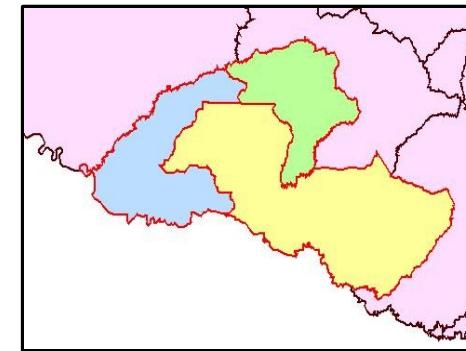
Polígonos de Desmantelamento

Municipal Management

2001



2005

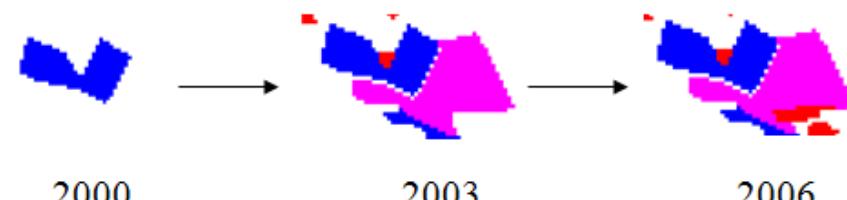
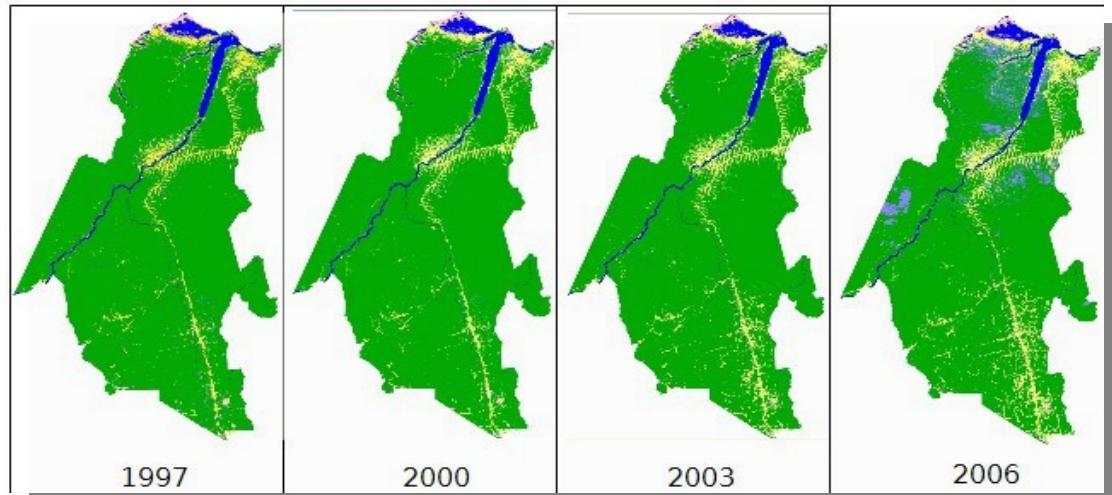


*"How many hectares were deforested in each municipality?"*

# Dynamic Geospatial Data: Applications

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Polígonos de Desmantelamento

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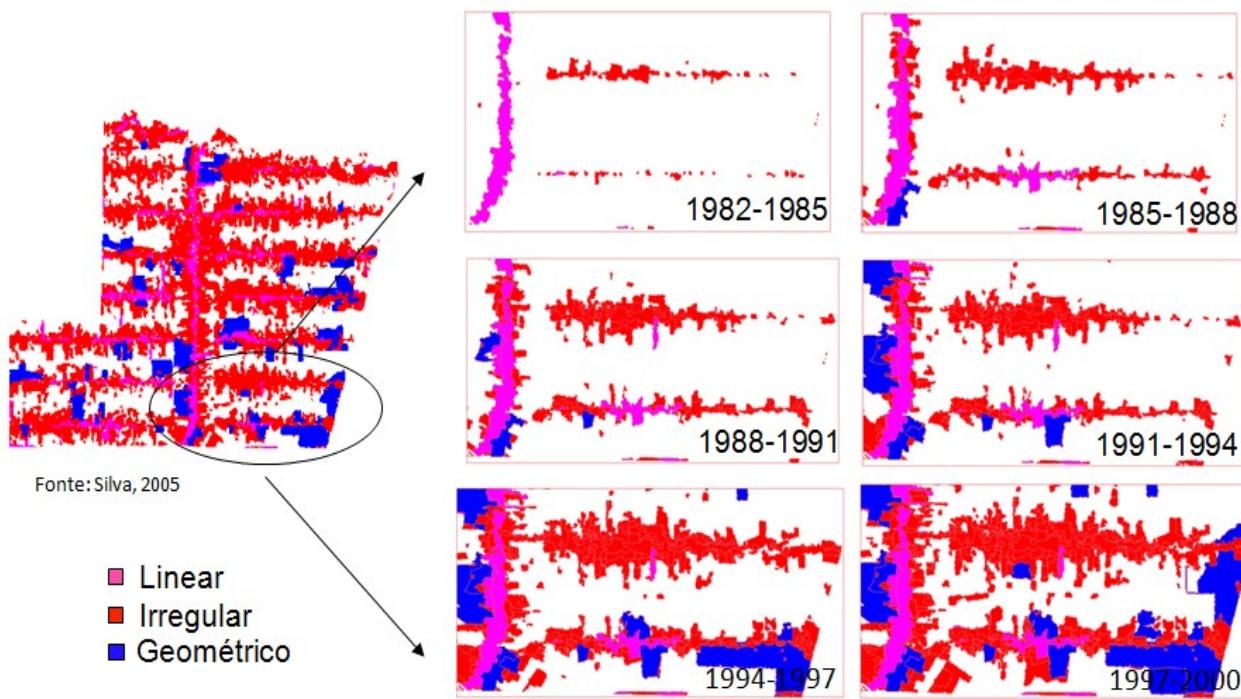
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[Silva et al., 2005]

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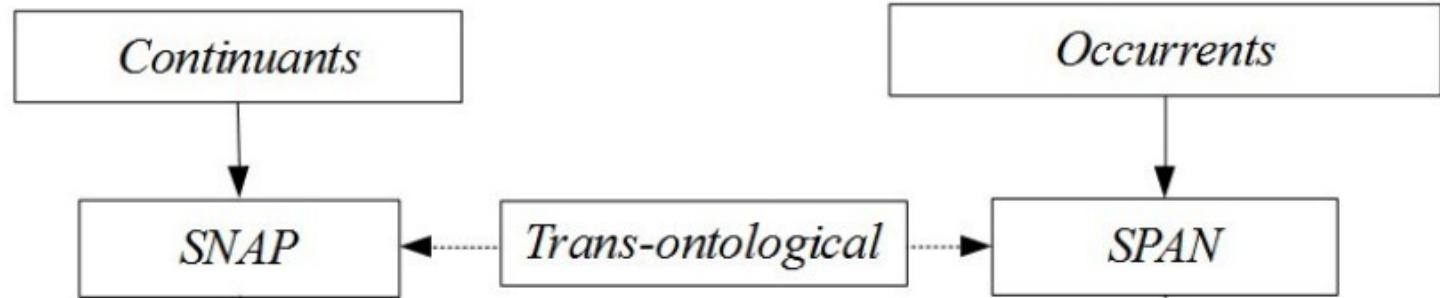
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Ontology  
Universe



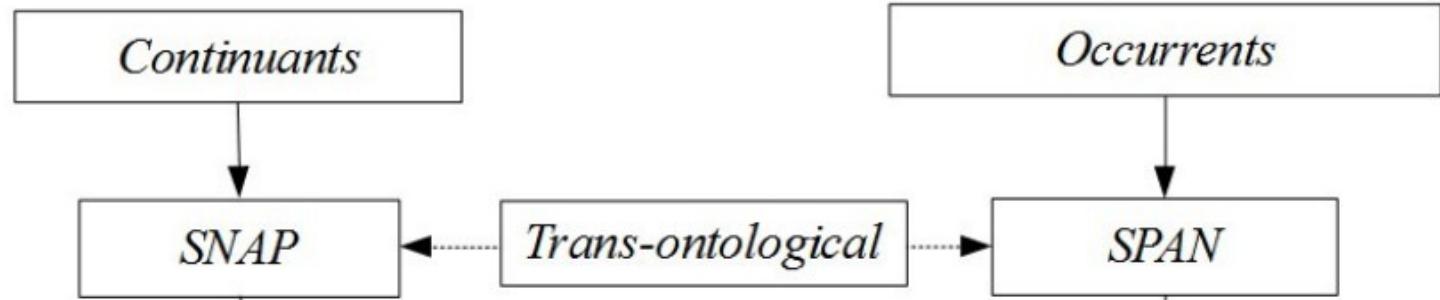
well-established classification of real world phenomena into:  
**continuants** and **occurrents** [Galton, 2008].

**Continuants** (entities that endure in the world through time):  
(a) can undergo changes, (b) has spatial parts but not temporal part, (c) is wholly present at each moment of its existence.

Ex.: a person, an aircraft, and a volcano

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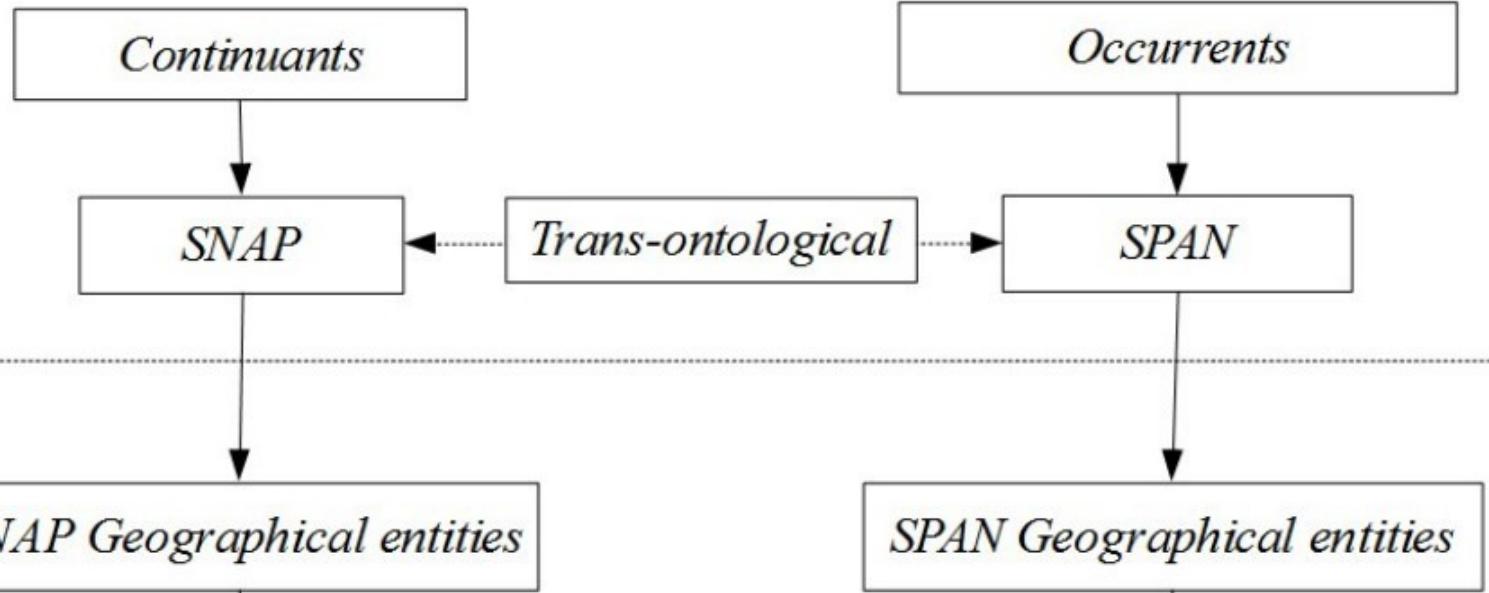
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**Occurrents** (entities that happen or go on in time - processes/events):  
(a) can not undergo change, (b) has temporal parts, and  
(c) is not wholly present at any time short of its entire durations.

Ex.: a persons' life, a flight and an eruption

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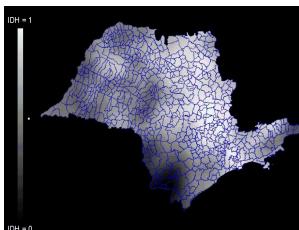
SNAP and SPAN ontologies [Grenon and Smith, 2004]

SNAP and SPAN ontologies have been applied to the geography domain, resulting in a geographical ontology. [Grenon and Smith, 2004]

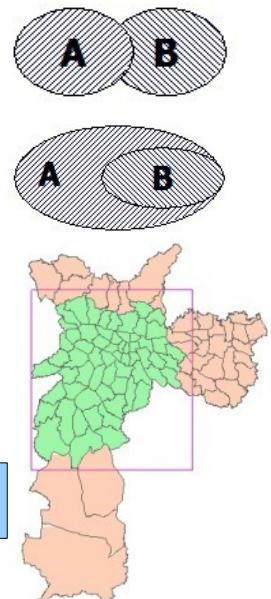
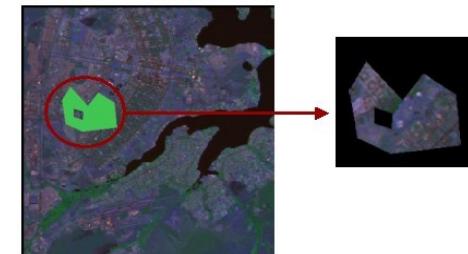
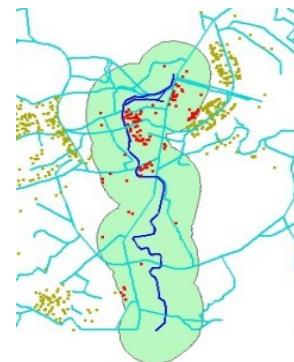
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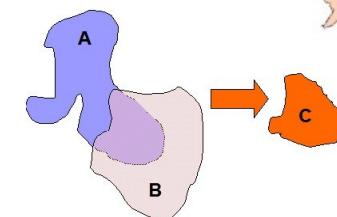
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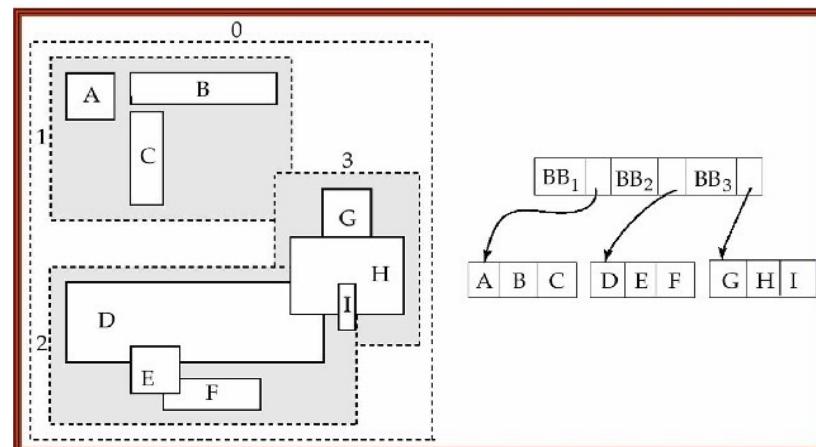
## Geo-Fields and Geo-Objects



## Spatial Operations



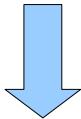
## Spatial Index



The majority of GIS and spatial DBMS is based on these ideas and concepts!

# Representation of Spatio-Temporal Data

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**There is no consensus on how to represent dynamic geospatial information in computational systems.**

Spatial information: every **spatial DBMS** (ex.: Oracle Spatial and PostGIS) follows a pattern to represent and query spatial information (**SFS-OGC**).

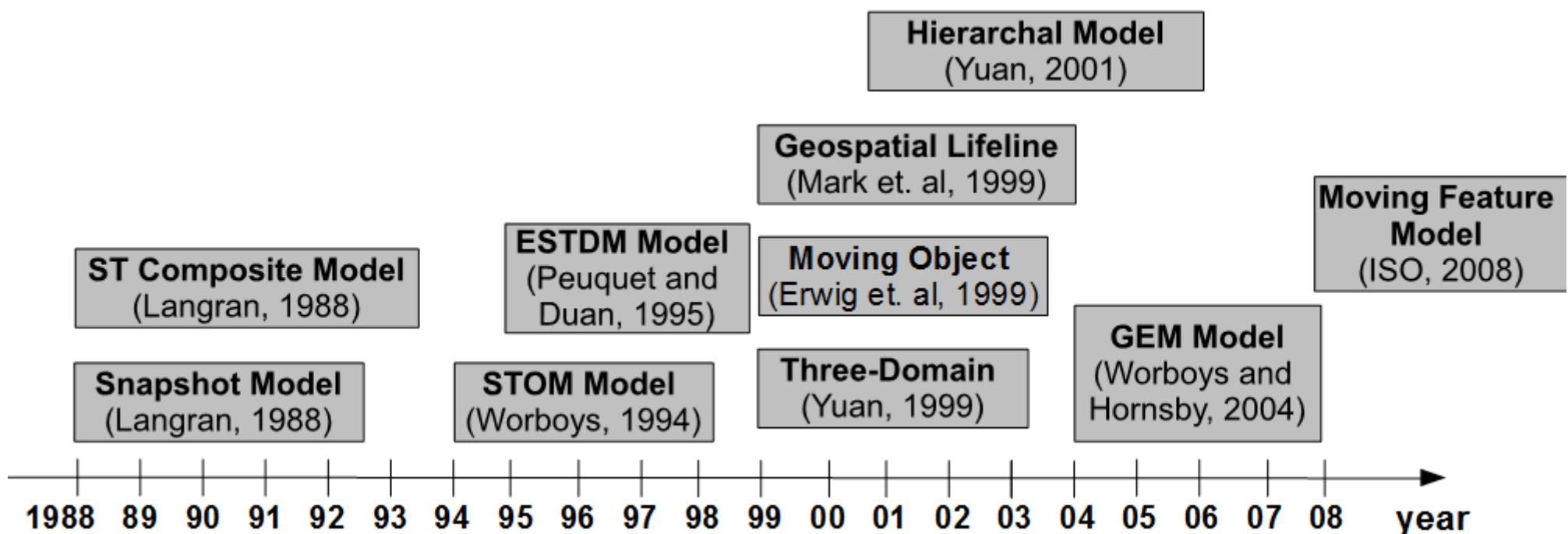
And spatio-temporal information?

*"There are four stages in introducing temporal capacity into GIS: (0) static GIS, (1) temporal snapshots, (2) object change, and (3) events, actions and processes. Most current proprietary technologies are in stage zero..."*  
[Worboys, 2005]

# Existing Spatio-Temporal Database Models

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ontology of space and time and its representation through data types, relationships and operations among them.

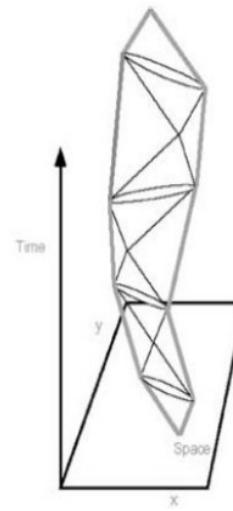
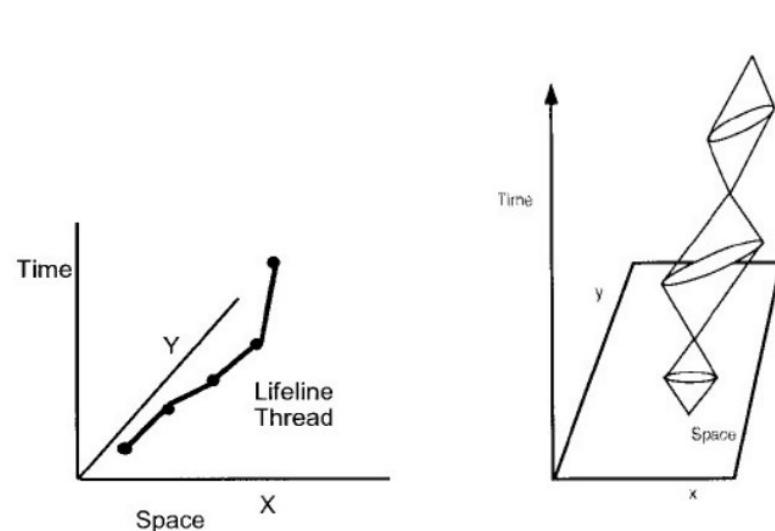
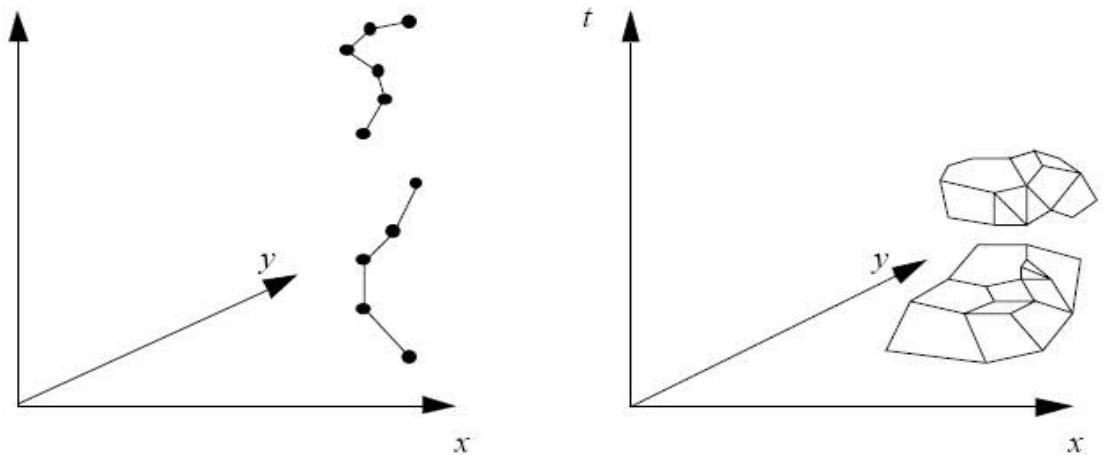


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## Moving Object (Erwig et. al, 1999)

- Algebra: data types and operations for objects in movement.
- Levels of abstraction: Abstract and Disc
- SECONDO
- Not consider fields varying over time.
- Only consider linear trajectory.

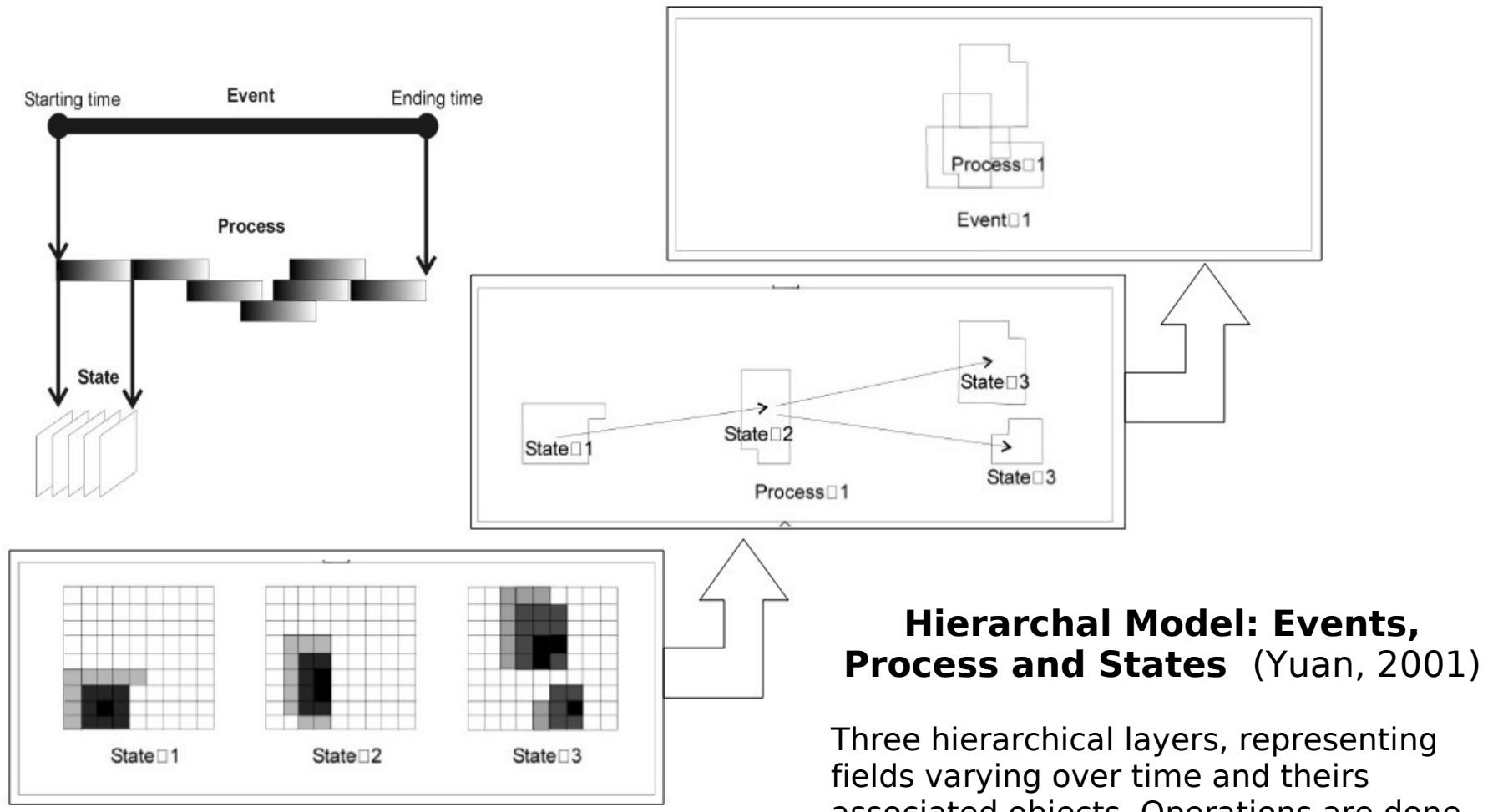


## Geospatial Lifeline (Mark et. al, 1999)

Different types of trajectories.

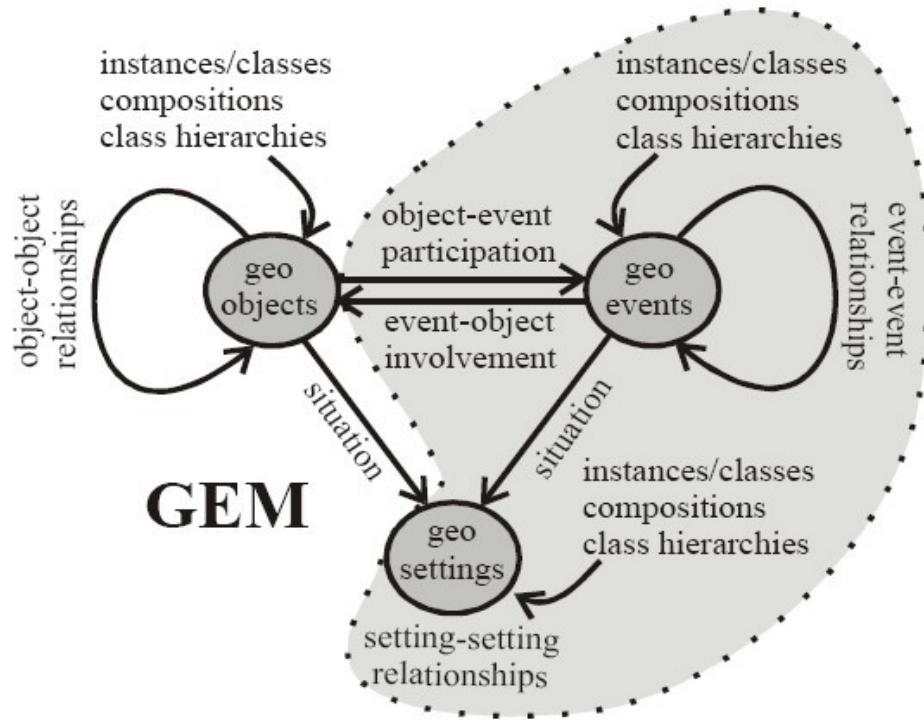
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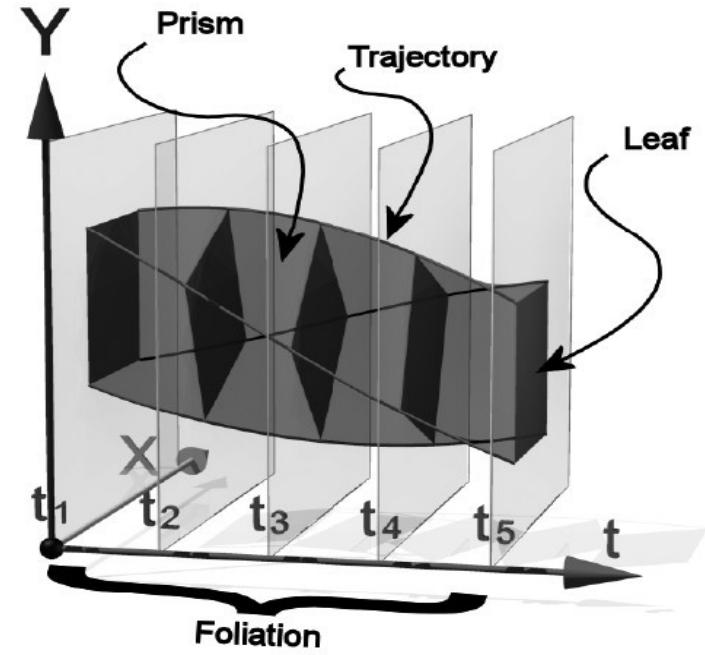
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**GEM**

**Geospatial Event Model**  
(Worboys and Hornsby, 2004)

Relationships between objects and events and between events and events.



**Moving Feature Model (ISO, 2008)**

Do not consider feature geometry deformation and changes in non-spatial attributes.

# Existing Spatio-Temporal Database Models

There are many proposals of spatio-temporal database models.



BUT ...

*“A serious weakness of existing spatio-temporal models is that each of them deals with few common features found across a number of specific applications.” [Pelekis et al. 2004]*

Geo-Fields which change over time	Geo-Objects which change over time	
	Discrete geometry change	Continuous geometry change
Snapshot Model, ESTDM Model, and Hierarchical Model	STC Model, STOM Model  Three-domain Model, and  GEM Model	Moving Object Model,  Geospatial lifeline, and  Moving Feature Model

# Representation of Dynamic Geospatial Data

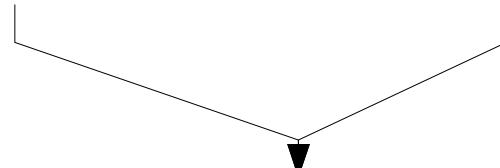
<b>Geo-Object which change over time</b>			
<b>geometry is fixed</b> and non-spatial attributes change over time	<b>geometry changes discretely over time</b> and non-spatial attributes also can change.	<b>geometry changes continuously over time</b> and non-spatial attributes also can change.	<b>Geo-Field which vary over time</b>

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)



Difference between (b) and (c) is pointed out by Galton [2004] and Guting and Schneider [2005]

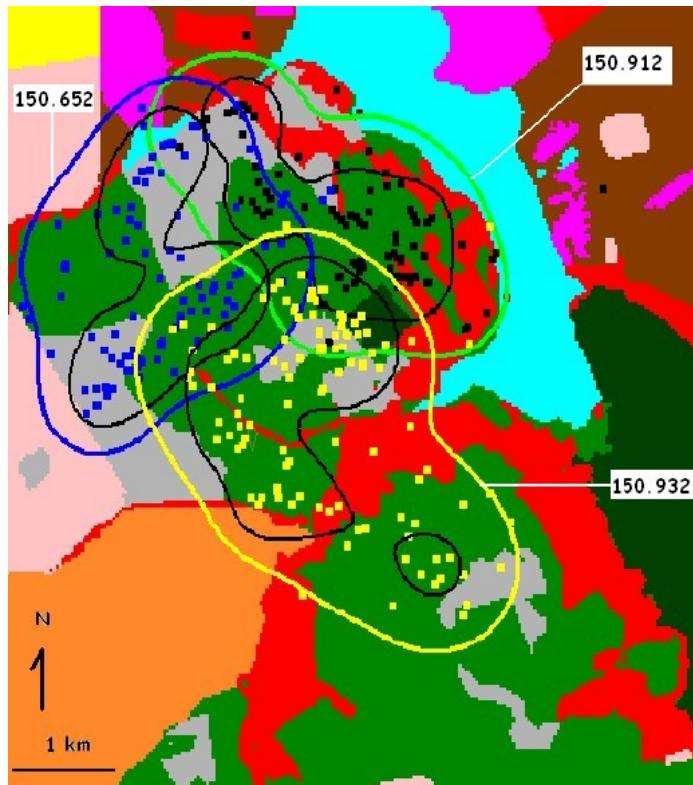
*flat* objects → sudden changes  
*bona fide* objects → gradual changes

moving object model → continuous geometry changes  
other models → discrete geometry changes

# Representation of Dynamic Geospatial Data

<b>Geo-Object which change over time</b>			<b>Geo-Field which vary over time</b>
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- SAUDAVEL: egg traps  - LUCC Modeling: cell space	- Municipal limit changes	- Movement monitoring (ex.: Aves de rapina e elefante marinho)  - PRODES: Evolution of deforested areas	- PRODES: classified images  - Land Use and Land Cover Maps

# Representation of Dynamic Geospatial Data



*What model can we use to support (represent and query) this application? What model is able to represent and query geo-fields as well as geo-objects which change over time?*

**Hierachal Model**  
(Yuan, 2001)

**Geospatial Lifeline**  
(Mark et. al, 1999)

**Moving Feature Model**  
(ISO, 2008)

**ST Composite Model**  
(Langran, 1988)

**ESTDM Model**  
(Peuquet and Duan, 1995)

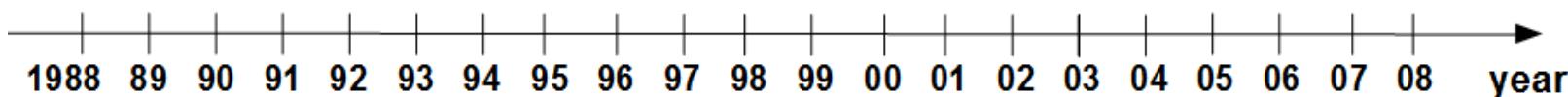
**Moving Object**  
(Erwig et. al, 1999)

**GEM Model**  
(Worboys and Hornsby, 2004)

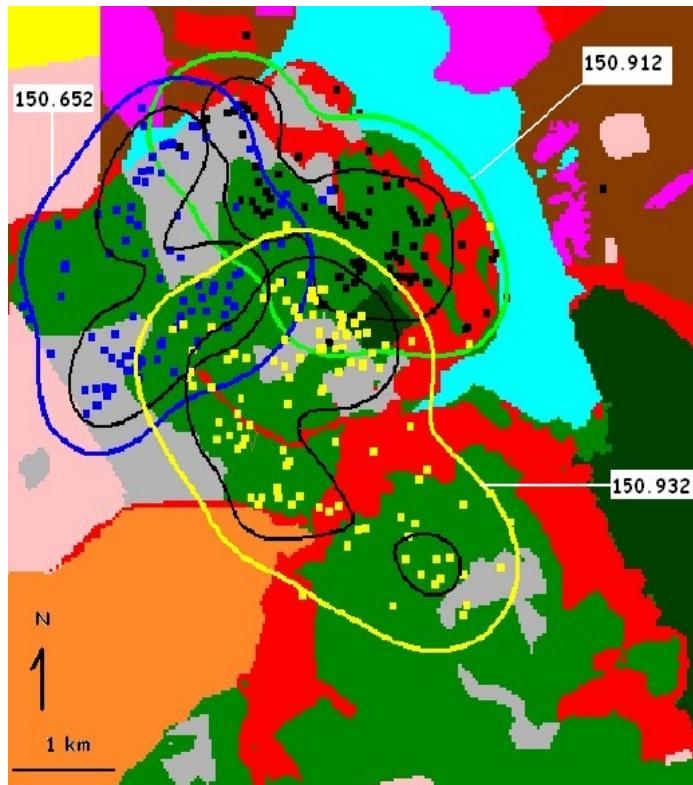
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(Worboys, 1994)

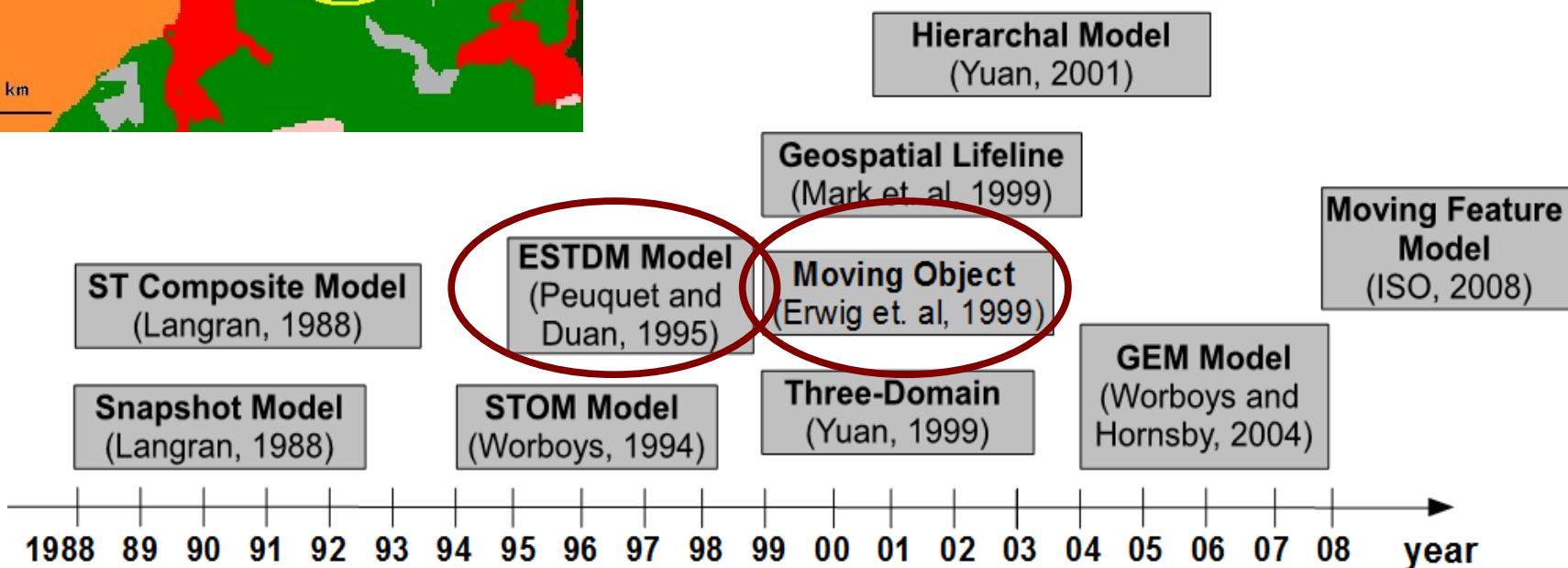
**Three-Domain**  
(Yuan, 1999)



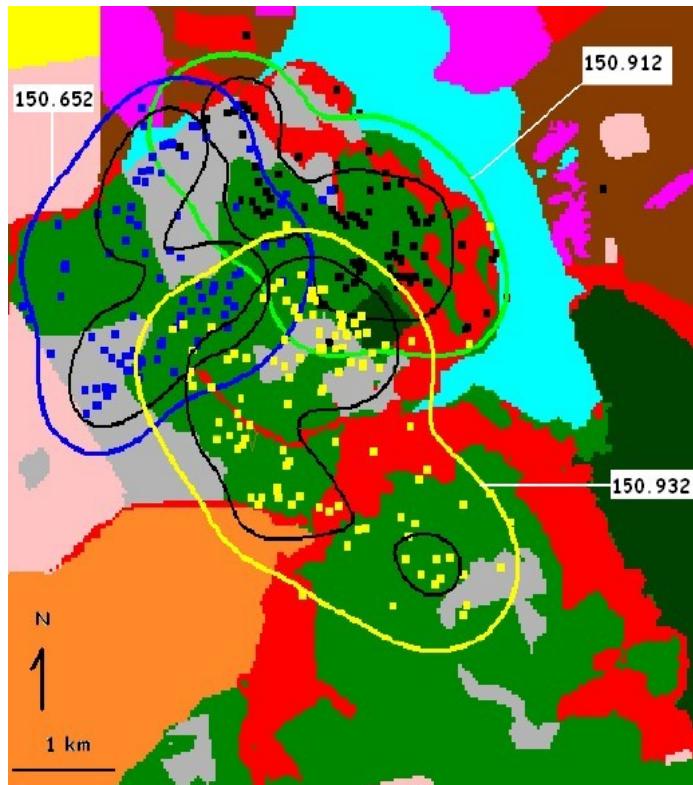
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- (1) *ESTDM* [Peuquet and Duan, 1995] → Variação do uso e cobertura do solo.
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**How to answer these questions?**

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# Spatio-Temporal Database Systems

# SECONDO: Moving Object Database

- SECONDO: A Database System for Moving Objects  
(<http://dna.fernuni-hagen.de/Secondo.html/index.html>)
- A prototype developed by University of Hagen, Germany
- Able to represent, store and query objects which move over time.

# SECONDO: Moving Object Database

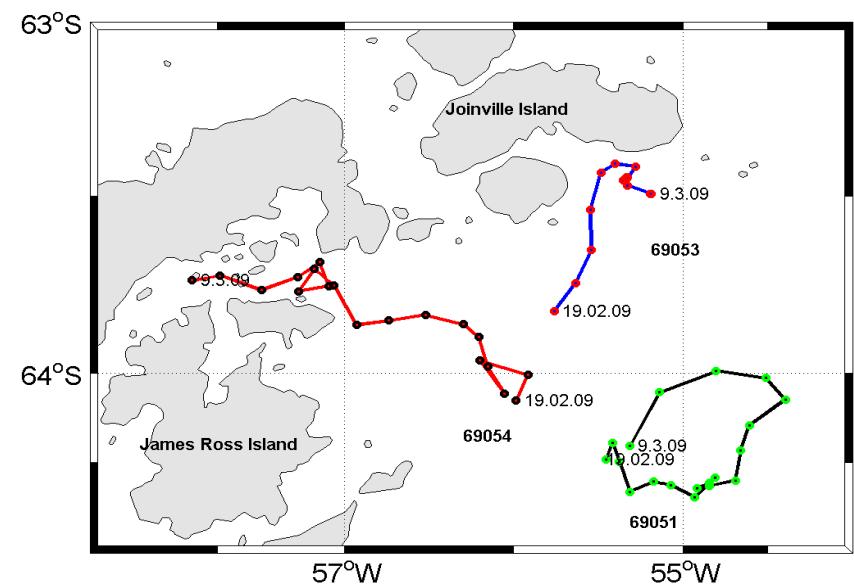
Moving Points (ex.: animais, veiculos e pessoas)

oil spill on the ocean

Moving Regions (ex.: mancha de oleo)

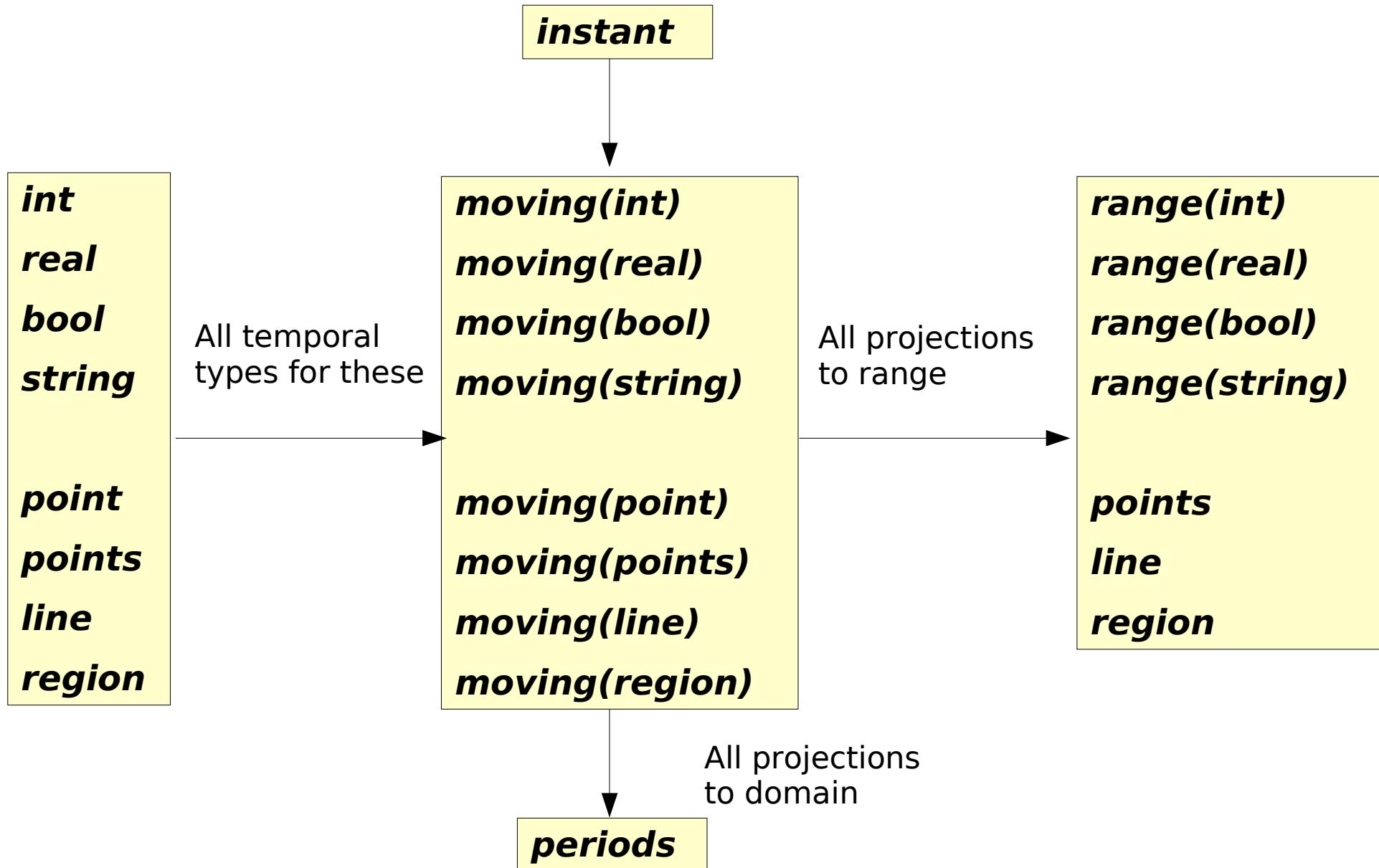


Animal tracking monitoring

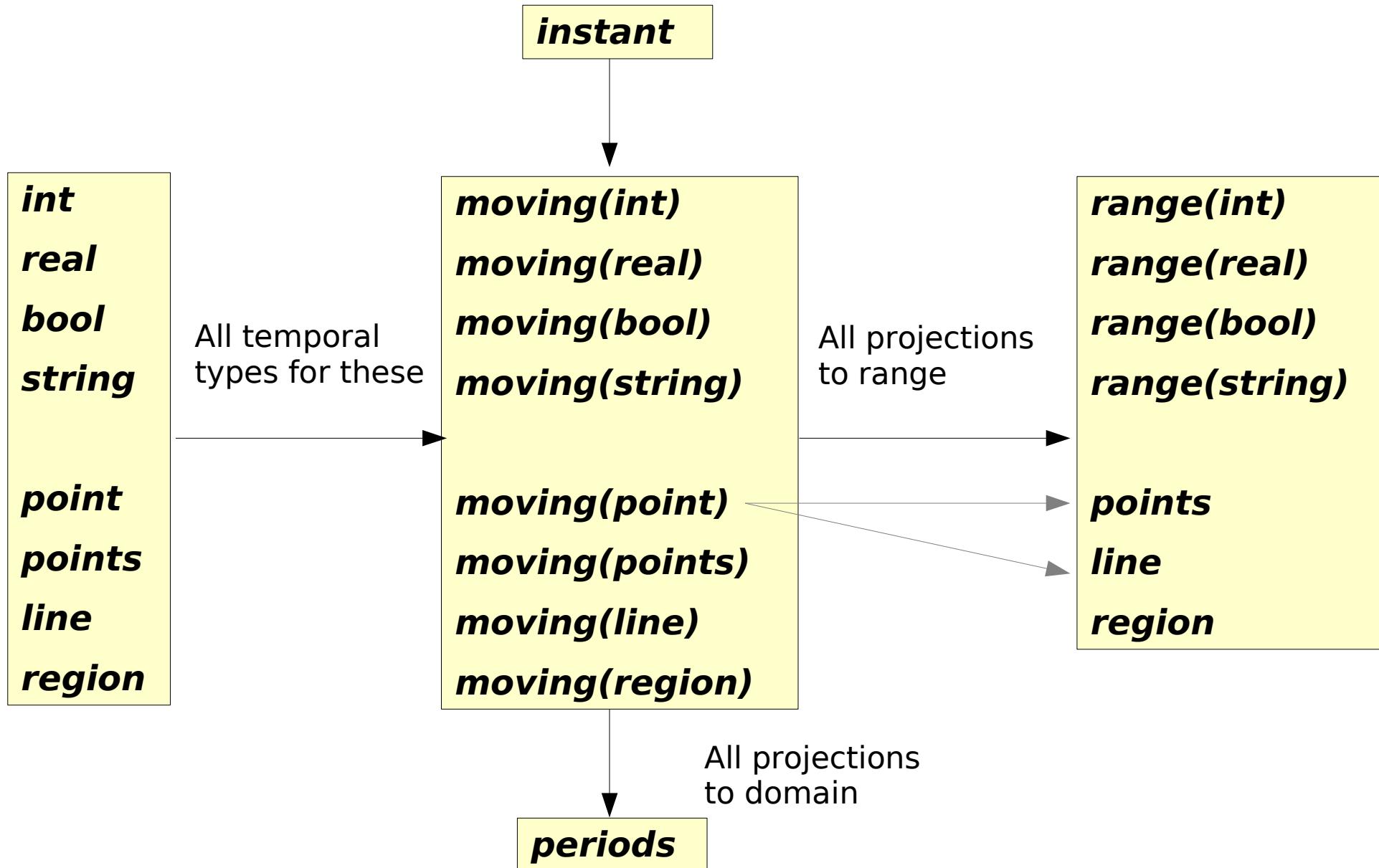


Iceberg tracking monitoring  
in Antarctica - SOS-Climate

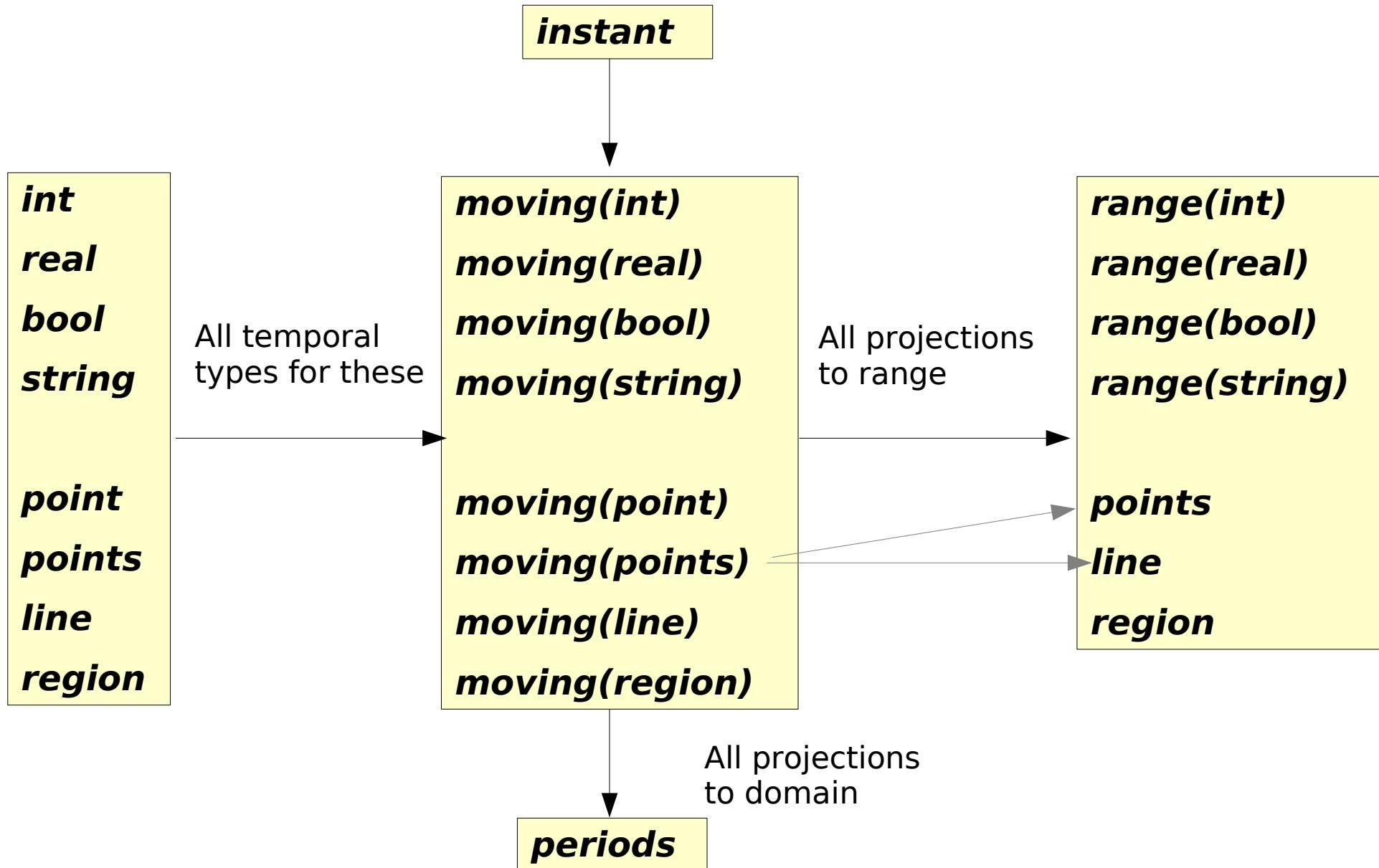
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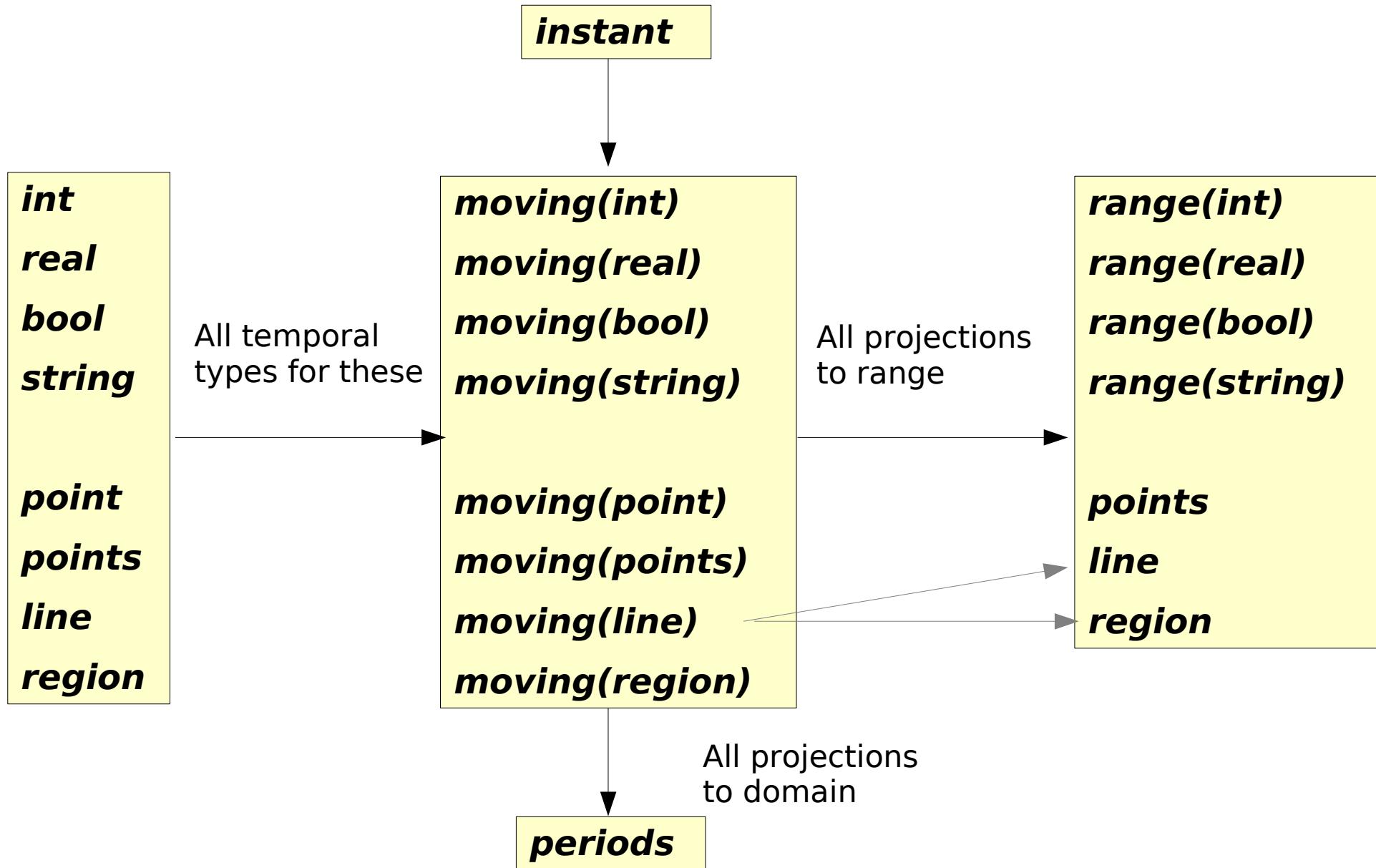
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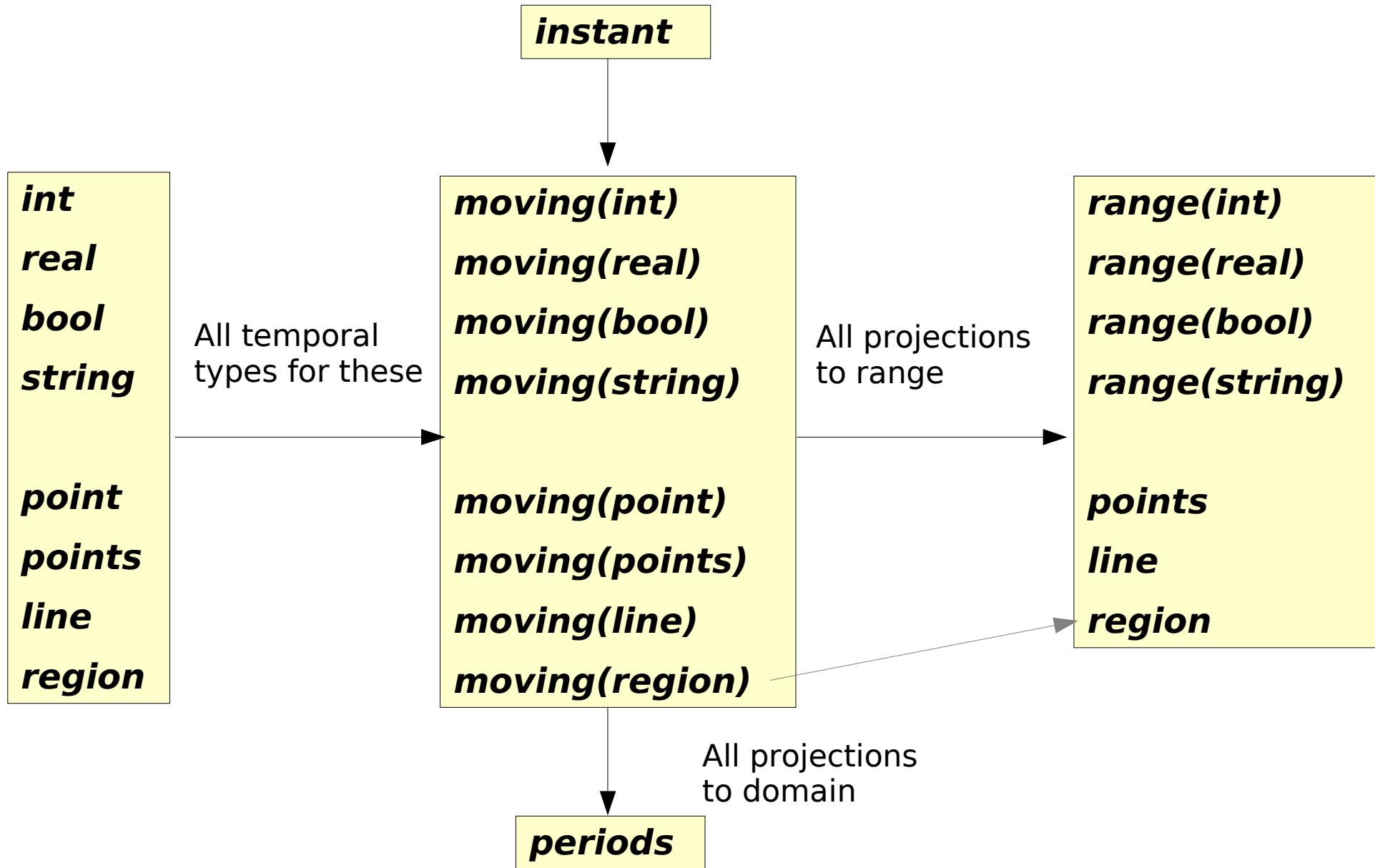
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For each data type  $\alpha$ , the set of possible values and its carrier set  $A_\alpha$  are:

$$A_{moving(\alpha)} := \{ f \mid f: \overline{A}_{instant} \rightarrow \overline{A}_\alpha \text{ is a partial function} \\ \wedge \Gamma(f) \text{ is finite} \}$$

$\overline{A}$  : carrier set without undefined value.

$\Gamma(f)$  :  $f$  consists only of a finite number of continuous components.

Each value  $f$  is a function describing the development over time of a value from the carrier set  $A_\alpha$ .

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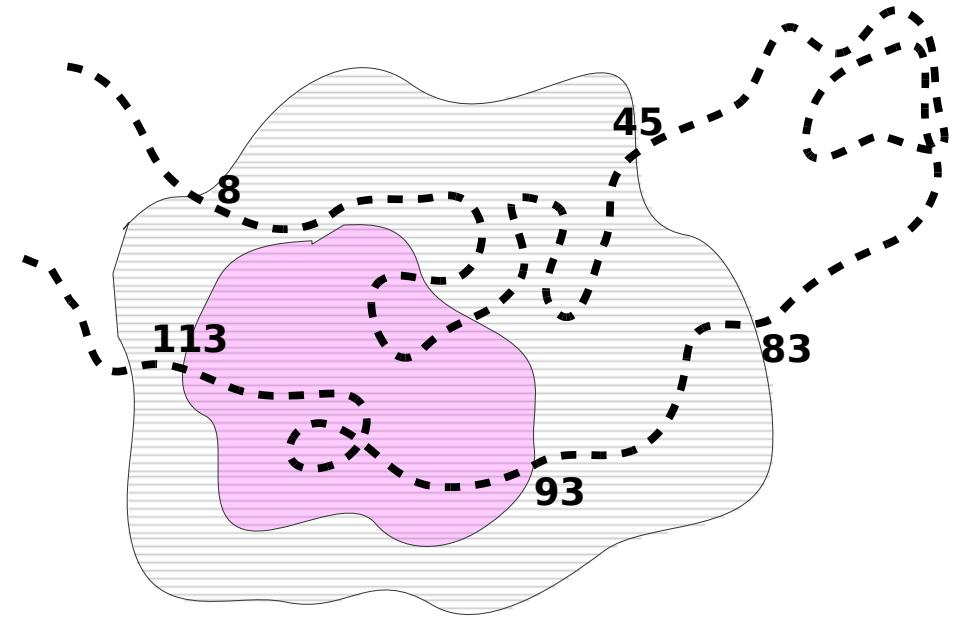
## Some Operations

Operation	Signature
<b>trajectory</b>	$\text{moving}(\text{point}) \rightarrow \text{line}$ $\text{moving}(\text{points}) \rightarrow \text{line}$
<b>traversed</b>	$\text{moving}(\text{line}) \rightarrow \text{region}$ $\text{moving}(\text{region}) \rightarrow \text{region}$
<b>intersection</b>	$\text{moving}(\text{point}) \times \text{moving}(\text{region}) \rightarrow \text{moving}(\text{point})$
<b>distance</b>	$\text{moving}(\text{point}) \times \text{moving}(\text{point}) \rightarrow \text{moving}(\text{real})$
<b>deftime</b>	$\text{moving}(\text{point}) \rightarrow \text{periods}$
<b>length</b>	$\text{line} \rightarrow \text{real}$
<b>min</b>	$\text{moving}(\text{real}) \rightarrow \text{real}$

# SECONDO: Example of Use

1) Animals  $a_1 \rightarrow$  their locations change continuously over time.

2) Habitat fragmentation area  $hF_1 \rightarrow$  its limit changes continuously over time.



```
habitat_frag (id: string,  
                 habitat: mregion)
```

```
animal_tracking (id: string,  
                      description: string,  
                      tracking: mpoint)
```

- $a_1$  from time 1 to 120
- $hF_1$  at time 1
- $hF_1$  at time 50

# SECONDO: Example of Use

- 1) *Find all animals that are longer than 5000 km?*

```
SELECT *
FROM animal_tracking
WHERE length(trajectory(tracking)) > 5000
```

## SECONDO: Example of Use

2) *Retrieve any pairs of animals, which, during their tracking, came closer to each other than 500 meters.*

```
SELECT *
FROM animal_tracking AS t1, animal_tracking AS t2
WHERE t1.id <> t2.id AND
min(distance(t1.tracking, t2.tracking)) < 0.5
```

## SECONDO: Example of Use

3) *At what times was animal a1 within the habitat fragmentation area hF1 ?*

```
SELECT deftime(intersection(a.tracking, h.habitat))
FROM animal_tracking AS a, habitat_frag AS h
WHERE a.id = 'a1' AND h.id = 'hF1'
```