



## Geographic Information Systems and Science SECOND EDITION

Paul A. Longley, Michael F. Goodchild, David J. Maguire, David W. Rhind © 2005 John Wiley and Sons, Ltd



#### Overview

Evolution of GIS software Architecture of GIS software Building GIS software systems Types of software Example products GIS software use



## GIS Software

- The geoprocessing engines of GIS
- Major functions
  - Collect, store, mange, query, analyze and present
- Key terms
  - Program collections of instructions to manipulate data
  - Package integrated collection of programs
  - Component self-contained, reusable software building blocks

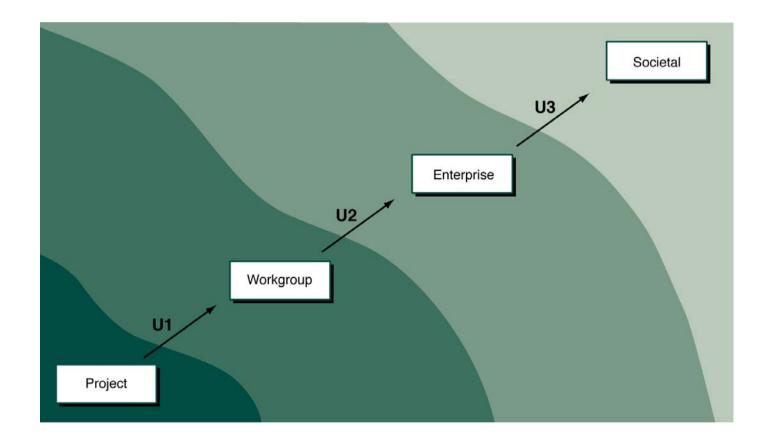


## Evolution of GIS Software

- Sub-routine libraries (60s/70s)
  - Libraries of small programs (sub-routines)
  - Required advanced programming skills
- Tool box with CLI (70s/80s)
  - Basic package with Command Line Interface
  - Required advanced technical skills
- Task-oriented system (90s/00s)
  - Graphical User Interface (GUI)
  - Customization capabilities to create specificpurpose applications

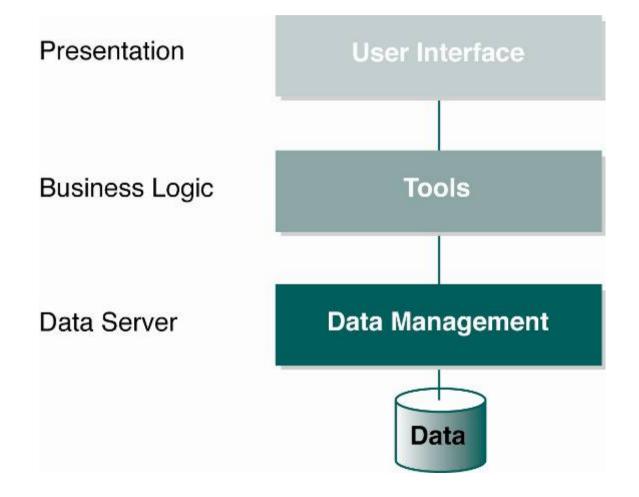


## Types of GIS Implementation





#### Three-tier Architecture





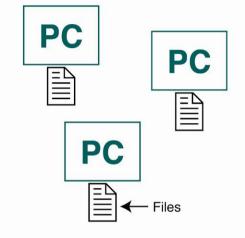
### GS Software Architectures

Desktop
Client-server
Centralized
Desktop/Citrix
Server

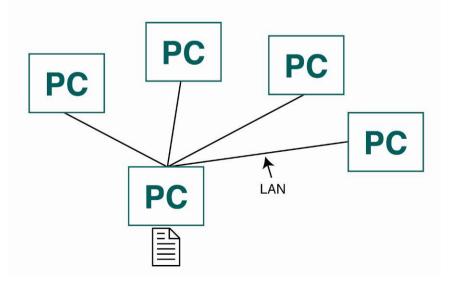


(A) Stand-alone desktop GIS on PCs each with own files

#### Desktop GIS

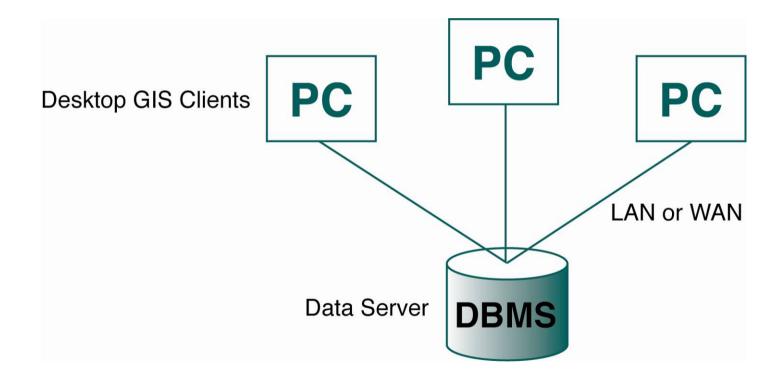


(B) Desktop GIS on PCs sharing files on a PC file server over a LAN



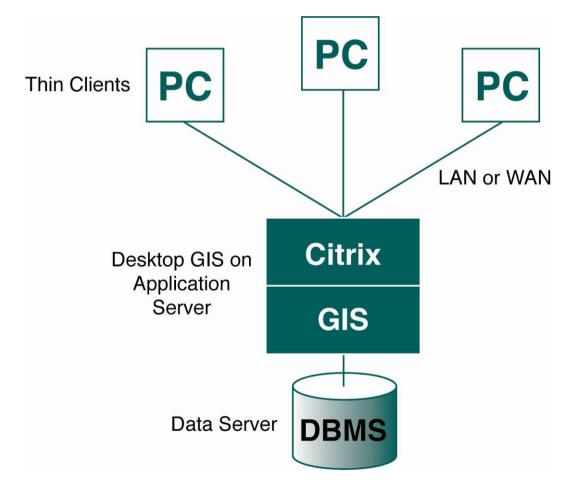


#### Client-server GIS



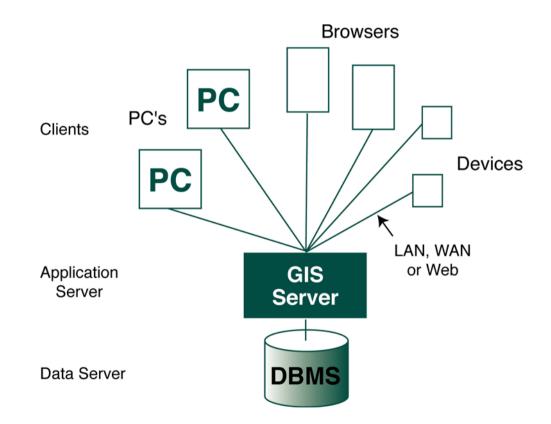


#### Centralized Desktop GIS

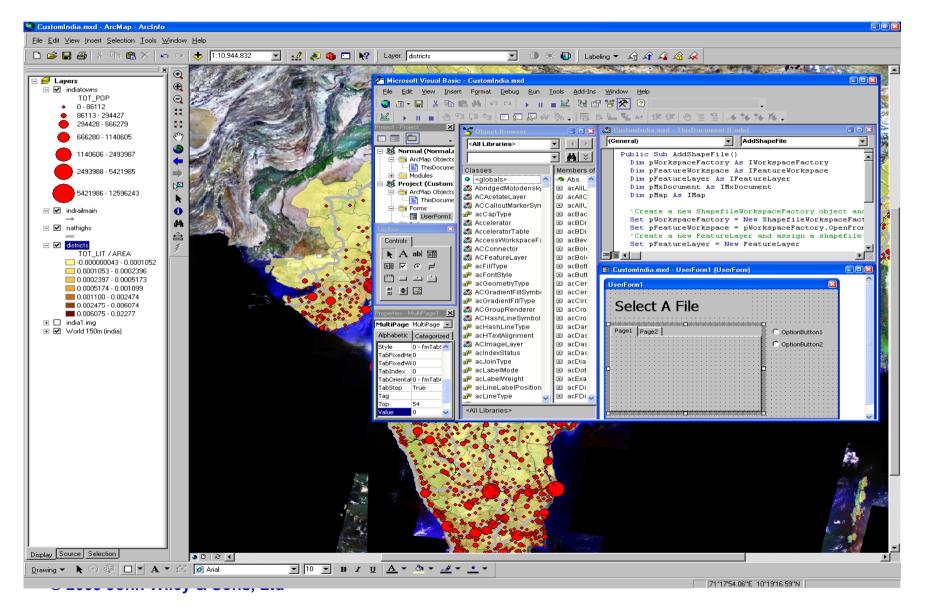




#### Centralized Server GIS

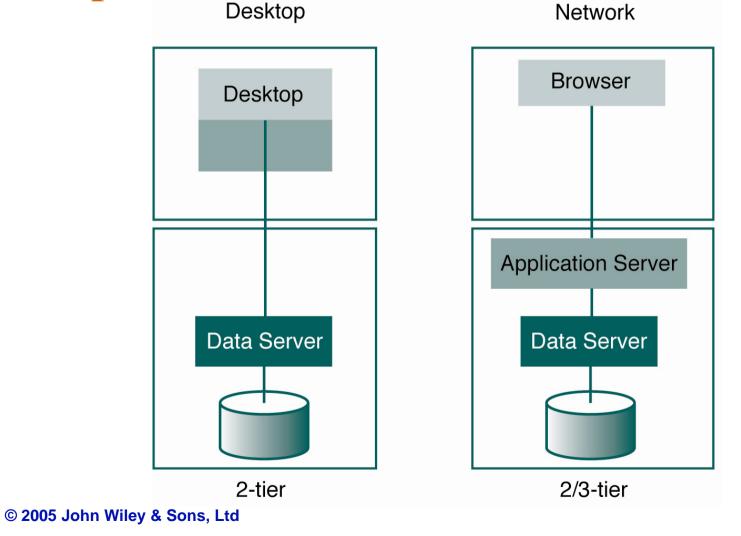








# Desktop and Network GIS



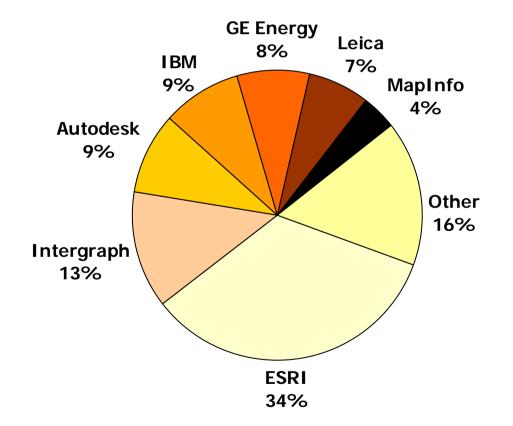


## Desktop and Internet GIS

Feature	Desktop	Network
Client Size	Thick	Thin
Client platform	Windows	Browser
Server size	Thin/thick	Thick
Server platform	Windows/Unix/ Linux	Windows/Unix/ Linux
Network	LAN/WAN	Internet



#### Daratech Market Share 2003

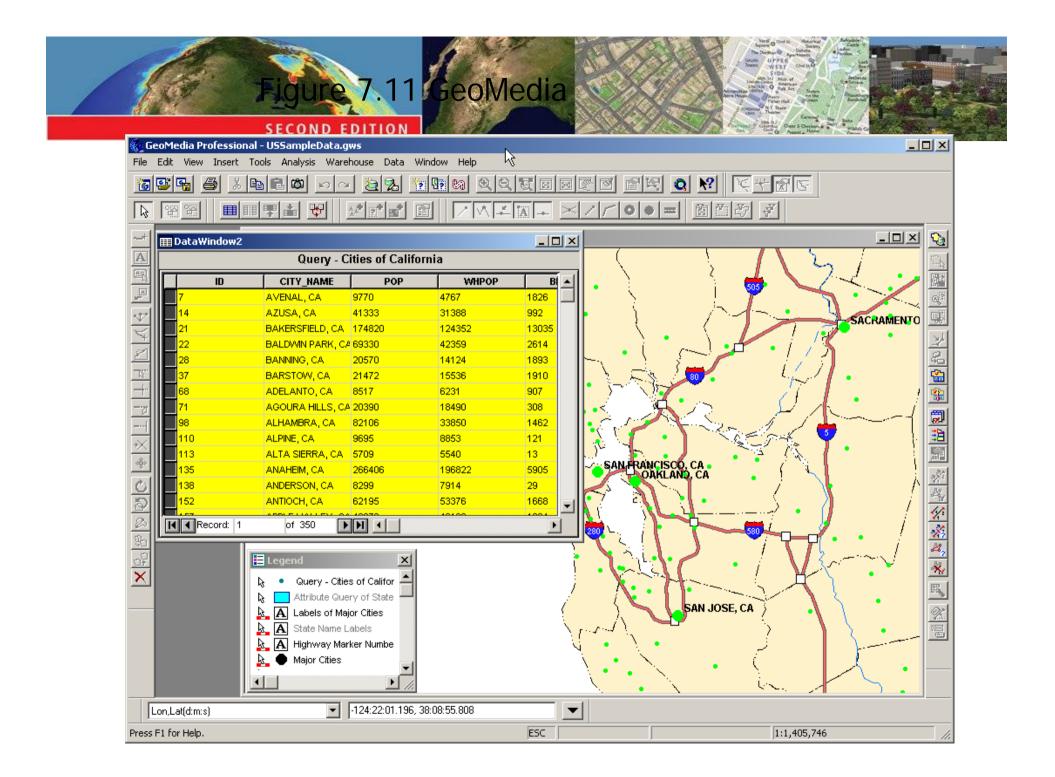




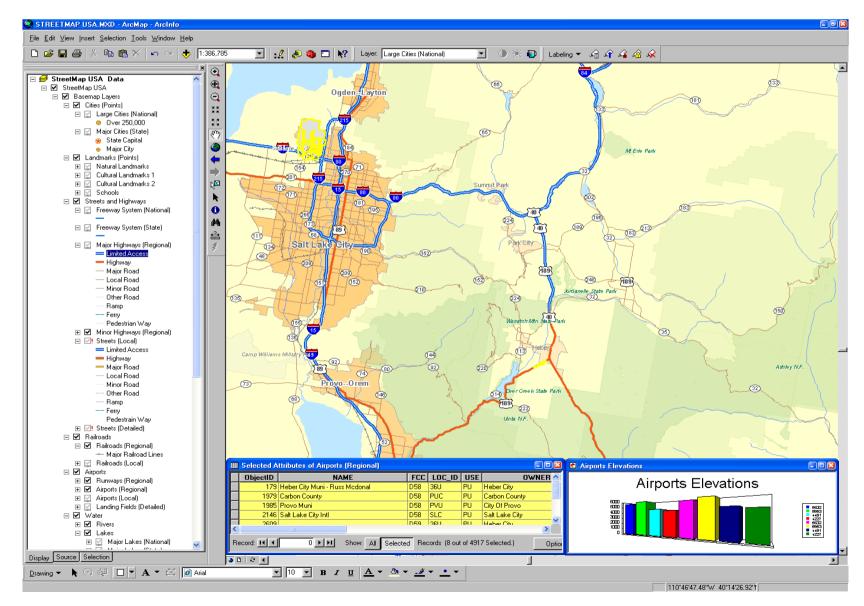
## Desktop GIS

- Data exploitation
- Data access
- Query
- Spatial Analysis
- Simple editing

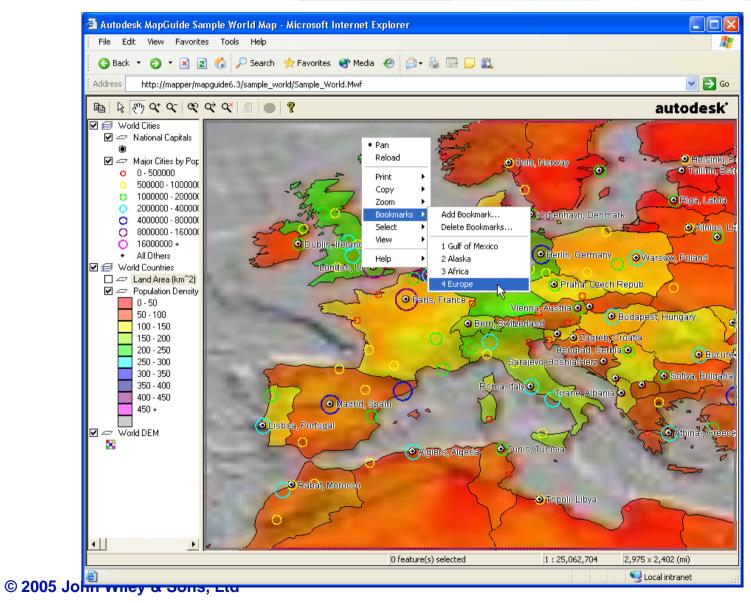
- Visualization
- Mapping
- Customization
- •\$1500













## Server GIS

Centralized GIS
 Deploy multi-user desktop
 Internet GIS
 Enterprise GIS Servers
 Manage/deploy centrally
 Low cost of ownership
 Good for data exploitation



## Hand-held

#### Field-based GIS

- Lightweight hardware
- Extension of desktop
- Limited capabilities
- Data collection
- Mobile mapping

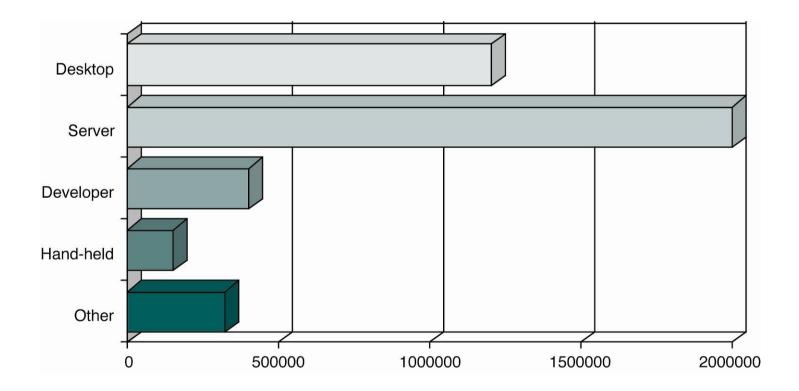
•\$500







#### Estimated GIS Users





## Summary

- GIS software is developing fast
- Consistent GIS architecture
- Major development areas
  - Internet
  - Hand-held
- Increasingly standards-based
- Very wide ranging
- Rationalization of vendors