

#### Introduction to Geo Web

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#### 1 – Semantic Web / Geospatial Web

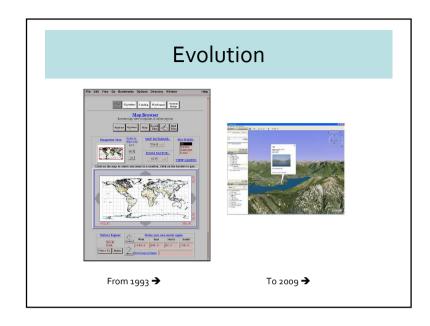
- GIS Evolution
- New functionalities
- New mentalities
- All the citizens can contribute

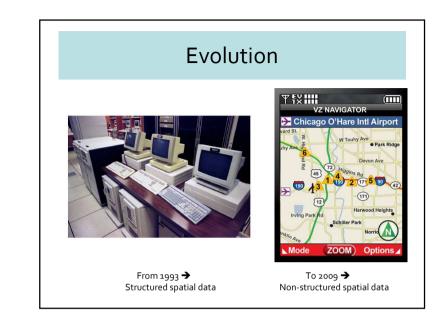
#### Key-words of today's web

Comunicazione, collaborazione, condivisione, partecipazione, tagging, video online, sharing, widget, filtering, online documents editing, wiki, blog, corporate blogging, peer production, viral marketing, proximity marketing, internet of things, bookmarklet, social media, social networks, links, social news, cityzen journalism, messaging, pooling, strutture emergenti, ordinare, prioritizzare, mashup, feeds...

#### From yesterday to today Web 1.0 Web 2.0 he mostly read-only Web Same technologies 250,000 sites 80 000 000 sites But the context is different Users not only read, but also contribute generate So generating a sort of collective intelligence Creation of a Social Web 45 million global user 2006 1996

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# Semantic Web Transformation of the World Wide Web in an environment where the published (pages HTML, file, images, and so on) Association of information and data (metadata) which specifies the semantic context of it in a proper format for querying, to the interpretation and, in general, to the automatic elaboration. Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semantic\_Web

- With the interpretation of the content of the documents that the Semantic Web advocates:
  - It will be possible to make more evolved searches than the actual ones, based on the presence of key words in the document and
  - other special operations such as the construction of network of relationships and connections among documents according to more elaborate mechanisms than the simple hypertext link

#### GeoWeb

- The Geospatial Web or Geoweb is a relatively new term that implies the merging of geographical (location-based) information with the abstract information that currently dominates the Internet.
- This would create an environment where one could search for things based on location instead of by keyword only – i.e. "What is Here?".

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geoweb

#### Scope of Semantic Web

- Development of applications for:
  - extraction of information from extemporaneous collections / dynamics of documents
  - validity check of the contents
  - identification of style
  - recognition of virtual hyperlink connections
  - intelligent agents

#### Geoweb

- Intelligent location
- Use of Internet
- Toponyms → location on the globe
  - postal Address.
  - location on the globe
- Location-based relations
- Gazetteer

#### Three ingredients of web 2.0

- Technological
  - interactive Web,
  - not more software products but services
- Sociological
  - to belong to a community,
  - to interact with other members
- Economic
  - Who provides the service spends few, but if in case of success, can earn a lot

#### Mashup: What are they?

- Expression coming from pop music
- Integration of several existing services for generating fresh applications
  - SOAP
  - REST
  - JavaScript
  - RSS/Atom

#### 1 browser, 1000 applications

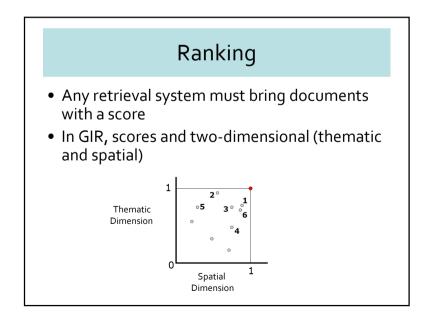
- E-mail (Gmail)
- Cartography (Gmaps, Yahoomaps, VirtualEarth)
- Word processor (Writely, officelive)
- Spreadsheet (Google spreadsheet)
- Encyclopedia (Wikipedia)
- Agenda (30 boxes, Gcalendar)
- Bookmarks (del.icio.us)
- News, podcast, ecc. (Bloglines)
- Programmation (zimki)

#### Geographic Information Retrieval (GIR)

- A great deal of data is not structured
- An investigation on text document says
  - 85% out of 20 000 British documents integrate place names,
  - and 13% out of 4 million queries on Internet have some place names

#### **GIR** Key-elements

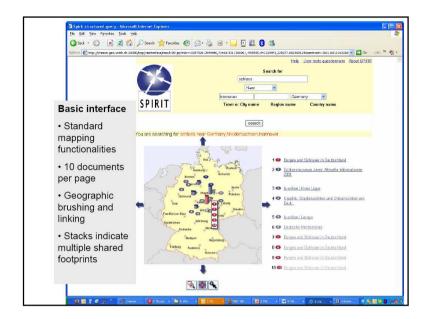
- Identification of footprints : identify place names in non-structured texts
- Query expansion : add place names not present in the initial query
- Spatial indexing and text indexing.
- Ranking : according to theme and location.
- Formulation of queries and result visualization

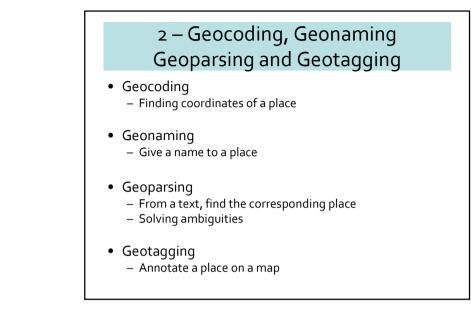


# Expansion of queries and spatial indexing

- Expansion : If Lyon, then add Villeurbanne, Caluire, etc.
- Necessity to know topology and neighboring place names
- Using a gazetteer
- If a user wants « castles around Zurich », a spatial index must integrate only Zurich and the vicinity

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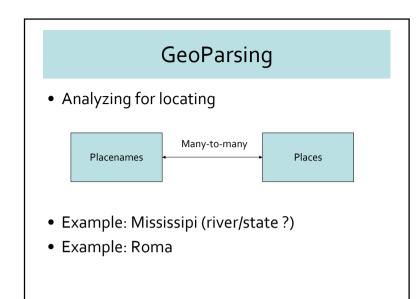




# Geocoding Assigning coordinates to a place with longitude and latitude Two representations Degrees, minutes, second (gg° mm' ss") Decimal degrees (gg, ddd) ddd=mm/6o+ss/3600 Certain cases: interpolation (f.e. roads) Linear interpolation for the numbers along the roads based the coordinates of the crossroads

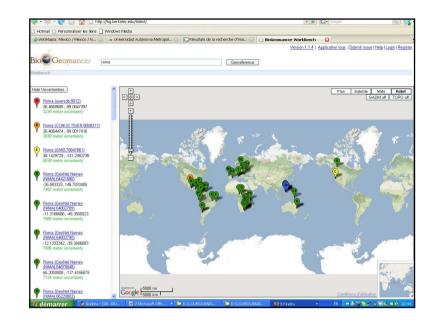
#### Geonaming

- From the coordinates of a place, assigning a name to this place
  - line
  - area
- Problems of linguistics
  - multilingual problem
- What name?
  - Name in the official language of the country
  - Name in the language of the user
  - Name in the language of the system



#### GeoParsing: 3 definitions

- Placenames → Location (=coordinates)
   Where is located Cholula pyramid?
- Relation to a placename → Location
   At 15 Km Southwest of Oaxaca
- Text Analysis →Location
   Historical text, Bible, etc.



#### Geoparsing instruments

- Geographic ontologies
  - Semantic network of geographic vocabulary
  - Topological relations
- Gazetteers
  - Dictionary of Placenames

#### Gazetteers

- List of placenames (toponyms)
- Database of toponyms
- Languages
  - Venezia, Venice, Venise, Venecia, Venedig, Benetke, Benátky... etc.
  - Monaco di Baviera, Monaco,
  - Saõ Paulo, San Pablo

#### Difficulties for text analysis

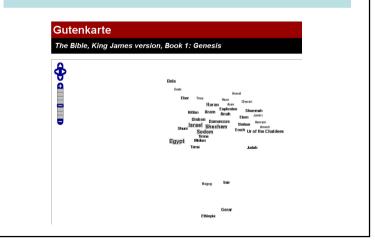
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#### Web Sites for GeoParsing

- NGA GEOnet Names Server (GNS)

   http://earth-info.nga.mil/gns/html/
- BioGeoMancer
   <u>http://bq.berkeley.edu/latest/</u>
- Edina GeoParser
  - <u>http://edina.ac.uk/projects/geoxwalk/geoparser.h</u> <u>tml</u>
- Etc.

## Example in the Bible



#### Geotagging

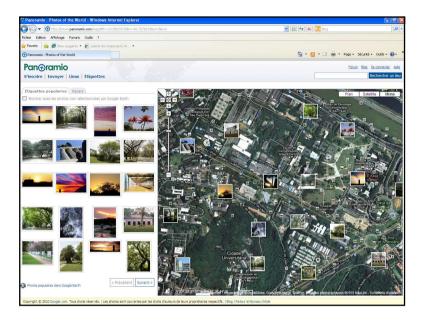
• Geographical annotations are generally multimedia

– Photos

– Texts

- Video
- Voice,
- Music
- Existing systems
  - Panoramio
  - Flickr
  - Everyscape
  - Wikimapia
  - Trippermap



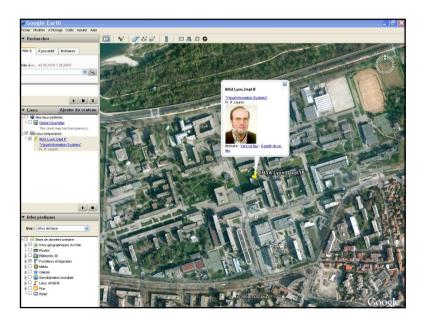


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#### 3 – KML and mushups

- Created by Google for mapping with Google Earth
- KML: Keyhole Markup Language
- a KMZ file is a zipped version of KML
- KML is an open standard officially named the OpenGIS® KML Encoding Standard (OGC KML).
- Maintained by the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC).
- The complete specification for OGC KML can be found at http://www.opengeospatial.org/standards/kml/.
- <u>http://code.google.com/apis/kml/documentation/kmlrefe</u> rence.html

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#### Mashup

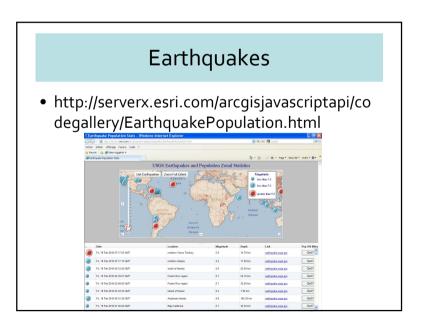
- Mash-up / Mashup
- Expression coming from music
- Mash-up = An audio recording that is a composite of samples from other recordings, usually from different musical styles

#### Internet Mashup

- The mashups integrate data coming by multiple sources to realize new products and useful applications
- To allow the creation of the mashups with data and services, and the suppliers must furnish the interfaces to their data in order to create a chain of services on the web
- The mashups allow the interactive mapping of the data in real time.
- This was not possible with the paper maps (for example where is now my train?)

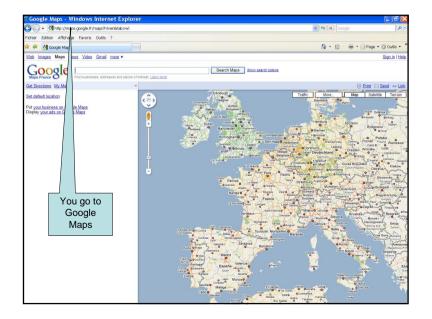






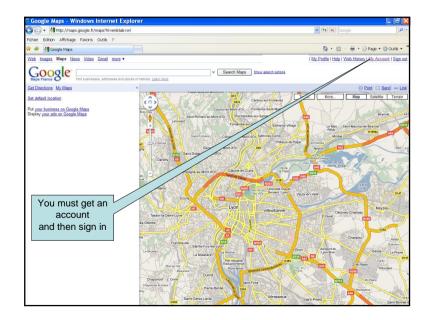
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- To question the animal species, to ask information on their distributions, on the images and on the scientific articles or the books on demand
- To map an itinerary on the subway stations
- To map airplanes and relative information in real time near Zurich
- To map the crimes in Copenhagen

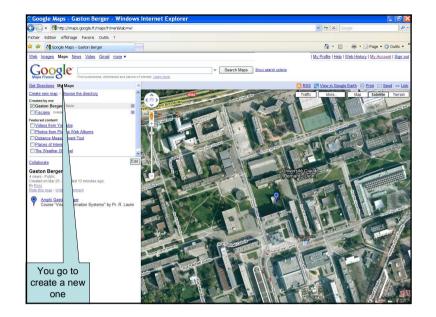


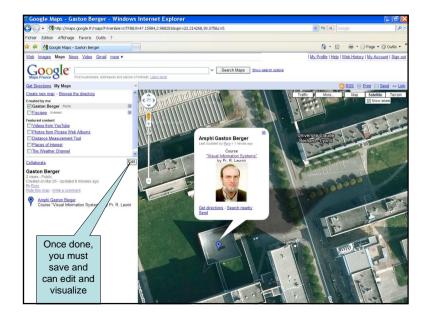
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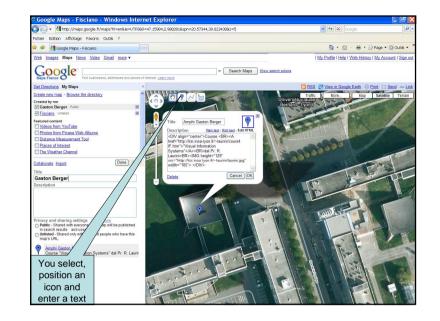
- Run Google Maps
- Create/use a Google account
- Creating a map with annotation
- Getting the HTML fragment
- Inserting the HTML fragment into a web page
- Uploading the web page on the server

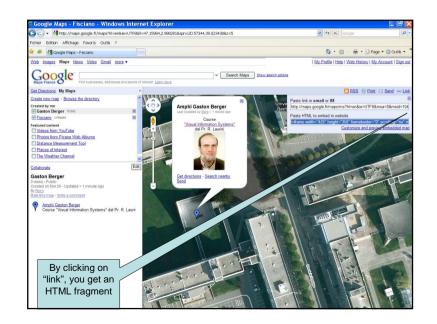


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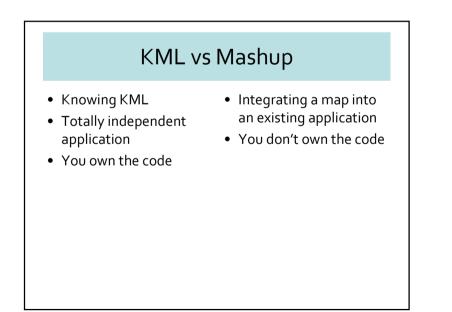








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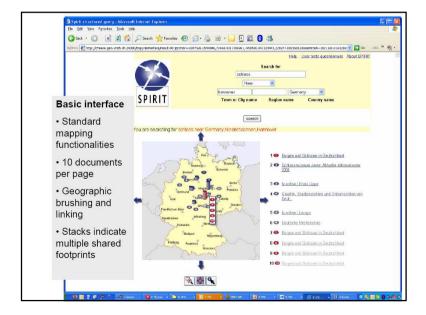
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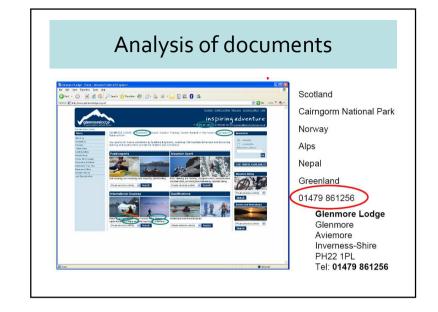
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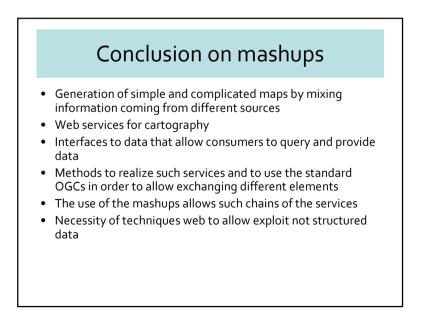
- Huge part of data that we see on a daily base are not structured or partially structured (for example textual documents)
- Research shows that
  - 85% of 20 000 British documents contain a placename (Purves and others, 2007);
  - 13% of 4 million questions on the web contain a geographical component (Zhang and others, 2006)

#### Key-elements of GIR

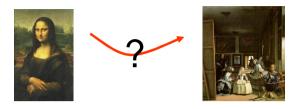
- Identification of the place:
  - identify places mentioned in not structured texts
- Expansion of a query:
  - adding names not introduced in the query
  - spatial indexing and textual indexing
- Classifications:
  - according to the theme and the location
- Formulation of queries and visualization of the results:
  - interface allowing the consumers to formulate and to explore the spatial queries







#### Roadmap generation between two Physical Hypermedia



- How to go from *la Gioconda* of Leonardo of the Louvres Museum in Paris to *las Meninas* in the Prado Museum in Madrid?
- Generation of a W-link in the PH domain.

#### Example of pervasive cooperation

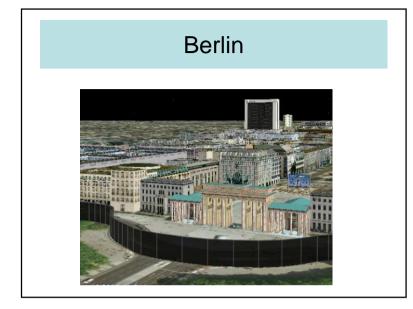
- From Louvres database → exit from Gioconda to the next metro station
- From Paris public transportation company database
   → go from this station to Paris airport
- From airline database → go from Paris airport to Madrid airport
- From Madrid public transportation company database → go from Madrid airport to Prado museum nearest station
- From Prado database → go from the previous station to the Prado gate, and then to *Meninas*.

#### 4 – Virtual 3D Cities

- 3D Visualization of cities
- Languages such as CityGML
- · New projects covering the whole earth
  - Google Earth
  - Microsoft's Virtual Earth
- · Global vision and local search
- Integration of data coming from different sources

#### Components

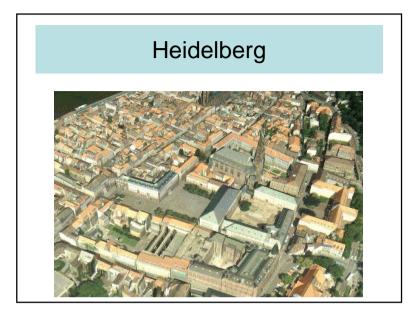
- Modeling of buildings and human artifacts
- Modeling of terrains
- Modeling of urban furniture



#### Potential applications

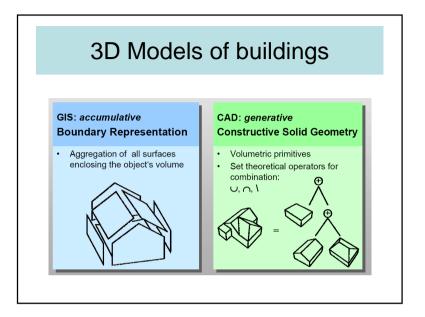
- Simulation of urban noise, air pollution
- · Simulation of floods
- Simulation of natural and technological hazard consequences
- Comparison of real building heights and maximum authorized heights
- · Visual impact of a new project
- Checking declaration for local taxes

• Etc.

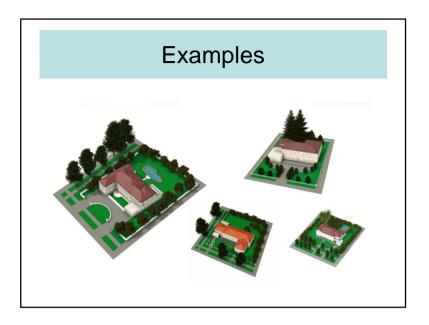


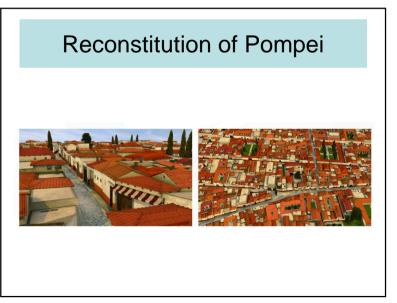
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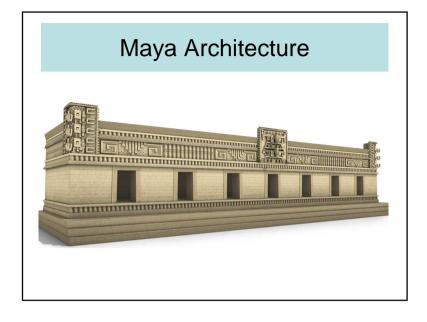
- · Geomarketing: visual impact of advertising
- · Real estate agencies: give an idea of the vicinity
- Tourism: landmarks to visit
- Mobile phone: location of hotspots (intervisibility)
- Solar panels: optimal location
- Helicopters: places to land
- History and archaeology: modeling cities in previous centuries/millennia
- Etc.

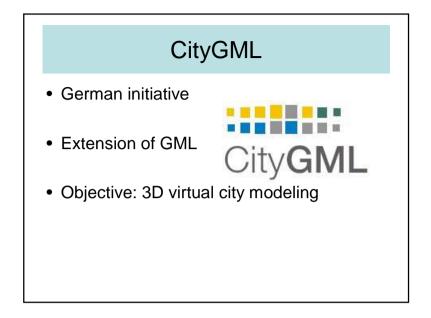








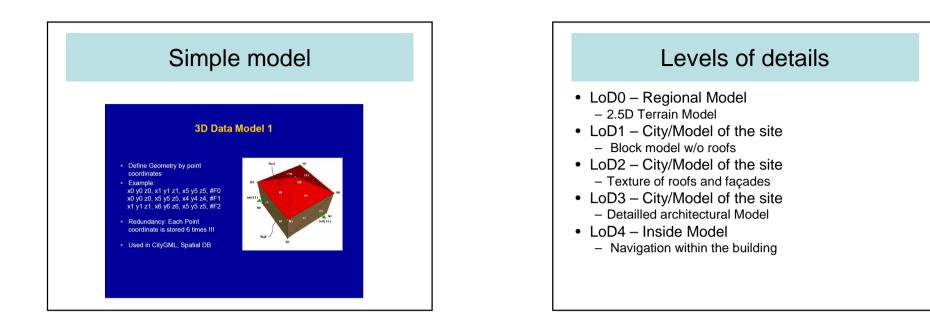


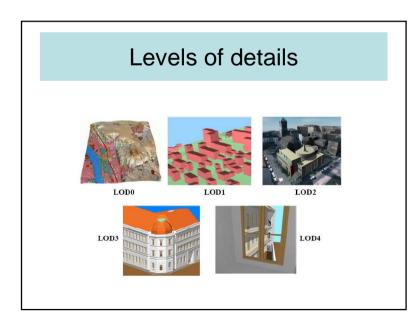


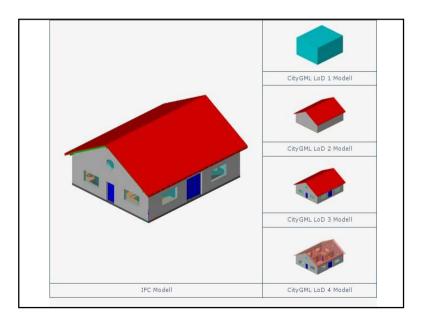
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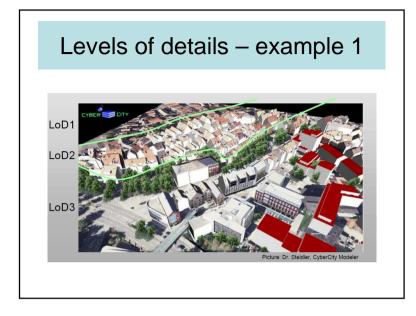
- Natural terrain
- Buildings, constructions,
- Bridges, tunnels, walls
- Excavations, streets, transports, railways,
- Water bodies, vegetation
- Traffic lights
- Urban furniture

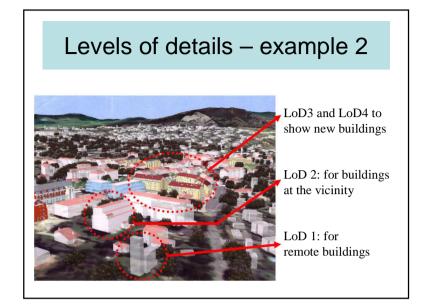


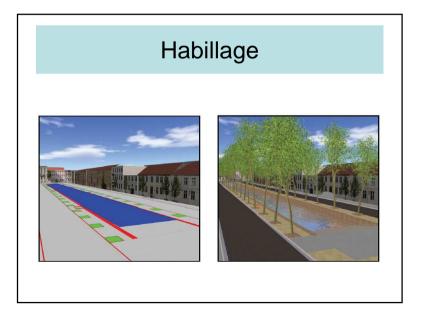


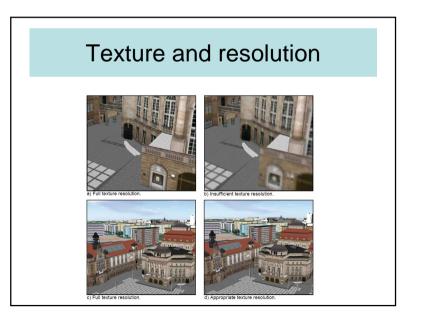




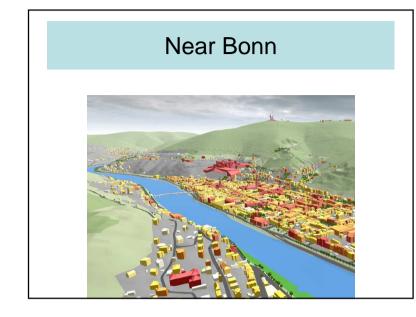




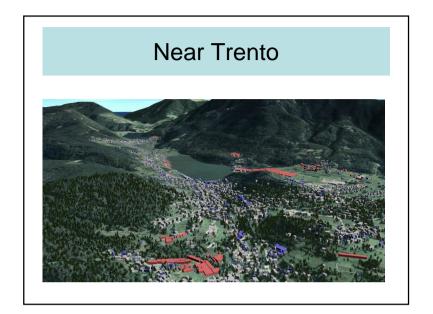




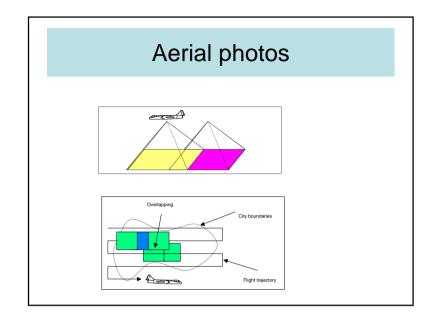
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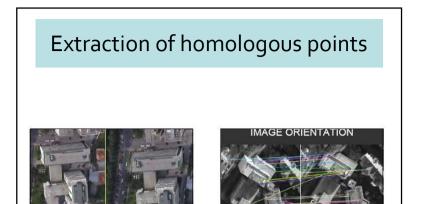






#### 5 – Geobrowsers

- Retrieval of geographic information
- Approach
  - Global vision
  - Local details
- Systems
  - Google Earth
  - Bing
  - Google Street View



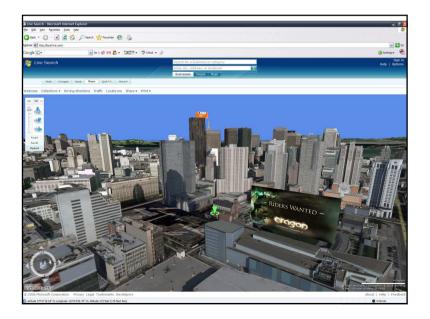


#### Google Earth

- « Organize the world's information and make it universally accessible and useful »
- Keyhole → Google
- Global infrastructure to organize information
- Google book search: places mentioned in books

#### Microsoft's Virtual Earth

- « Mind-expanding »
- Vexcel → Microsoft
- Global infrastructur for geo-referenced applications
- Orthorectified aerial photos (pixel = 15cm)
- Bird's eye
- Buildings with textures
- Augmented reality



#### Microsoft

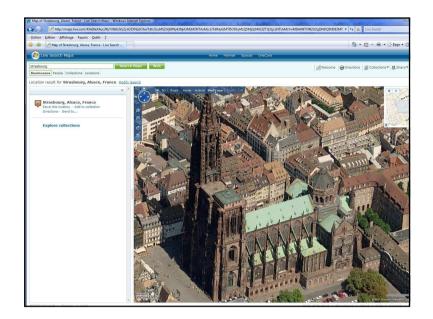
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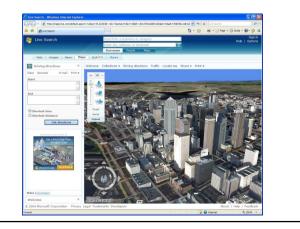


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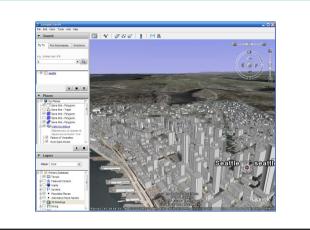
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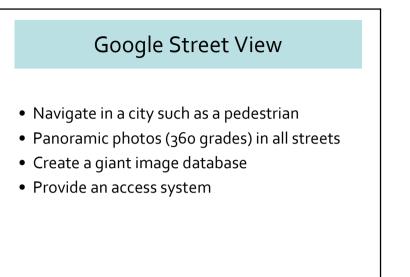


#### Seattle (Google Earth)



#### Google Street View

- Provides street pictures, 360° horizontally and 290° vertically
- Launched in May 2007 with only 4 US cities
- Extended to several thousands cities throughout the world.



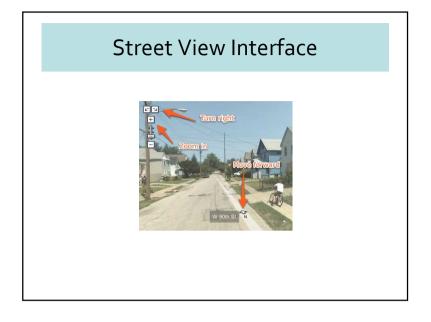
### Vehicles with camera

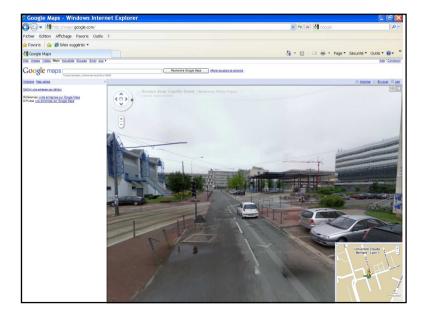




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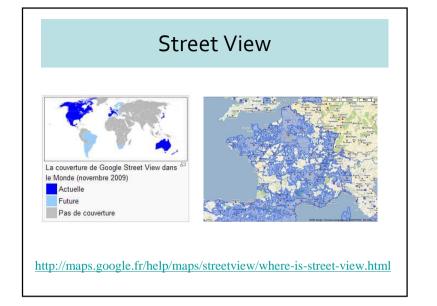








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#### 6 – Conclusions

- Importance of semantic web
- Importance of GeoWeb
- Retrieval of geographic information
- Geobrowsers
  - Global vision, local search