# Progressive Development of a Digital Cadastral Data Base

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# Quick and dirty capture



# Very Small Errors



#### **Detected and Undetected Errors**





# Progressive Development

Conclusions:

The removal of small errors is a non-trivial exercise

Therefore the data model and software should be robust enough to "live with" small errors, and provide the best possible functionality despite them.



# Levels of Completion

#### Conclusions

Not all parts of the database will be at the same level of completion, accuracy or validity.

 (e.g. In Queensland, city parcels are generally ±0.1m while in the western regions may be ±100m)



#### LADM

Five levels of encoding allow a Cadastral Database at various levels of maturity

- Text Based
- Point Based
- Line Based
- Polygon Based
- Topology Based

Suggestion – develop a toolkit allowing the database to progress through the levels.



# **Text Based Encoding**

- In 2D "From the shore line to the top of the ridge"
- But also in 3D "a unit consisting of floor 17 of ... building"
- Sub-level of "image based" encoding.



#### **Point Based Encoding**



# Line Based Encoding



# Polygon Based Encoding





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### Expressiveness of Encoding Levels

In	Text based	Point	Line based	Polygon	Topology
Out		based		based	based
Text	Y	Y*	Y*	Y*	Y*
Point	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Line	N	Ν	Y	Y	Y
Polygon	N	Ν	V	Y	V
Topology	N	Ν	V	V	Y

Web Map Service possible from Line Based or better, or from point based if a base image is available

Web Feature Service possible in Polygon/Topology levels.

Calculations of areas, volumes perimeters etc. in Polygon/Topology levels.

Adjacency can be determined in topological level, or in polygon based and line based if certain additional constraints are applied.

# Mixed Encoding Levels

2D	Text based	Point based	Line based	Polygon	Topology
	x/v	x/y	x/y	based x/y	based x/y
3D	1×1 y				
Text z	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Point z	Ν	Y	$\mathbf{Y}^1$	$\mathbf{Y}^1$	$Y^1$
Line z	Ν	N	$Y^2$	N	Ν
Polygon z	Ν	N	$Y^3$	Y	Y
Topology z	Ν	Ν	$Y^3$	$Y^4$	Y



#### History in Developing Database Now



#### Now compared with 2001



#### 2001 to 2005



## Tracking History of the Cadastre

#### Conclusions:

- The database should be capable of recording history of the Cadastre
- The best place to record history is within the database itself
- The "versioned object" is recommended as the mechanism for holding history.
- In a developing database, different levels of accuracy and encoding will occur within the historic record.

# Secondary Interests - larger than a parcel



## Secondary Interests - smaller

- Applied to a whole parcel (e.g. a Mortgage)
- Applied to a parcel but not fully defined (e.g. "pencilled notings", reserved area).
- Defined as a subset of a parcel (2D or 3D)
- > 2D or 3D networks crossing multiple parcels
- Combinations of these



# Secondary Interests

#### Conclusion:

Secondary interests exist and are an important part of a cadastre

They may be parts of parcels, whole parcels or multiple parcels, or not related to parcels at all.

The encoding of secondary interests may be different from the encoding level of base parcels



## Data model - Proof of Concept



# Summary – Requirements

- Progressive improvement of the database
- Support for different levels of accuracy and completeness in different places
- Provision for tracking history of the cadastre
- Support for differences in accuracy and encoding over history
- Support for secondary interests of different types
- Capability of moving into 3D (or 2D/3D mixture of parcels)

# Summary - Requirements

- The data in the database can vary in accuracy, quality, and level of encoding, and can be a mixture of 2D and 3D.
- These variations can occur:
  - Geographically
  - Temporarily
  - Between primary and secondary interests
  - Between base 2D parcels and the Z values



# Conclusions

- A data model based on the LADM is capable of supporting the progressive development of a cadastral database
- There may be a case to be made for an open source development of a database based on such a model
- Such a data model would fulfil the requirements of jurisdictions from initial uptake of a cadastral database through to highly sophisticated support for "4D Cadastre"

## Questions?



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