

3D Visualization of Intelligent Compaction Data

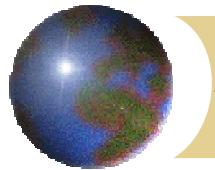


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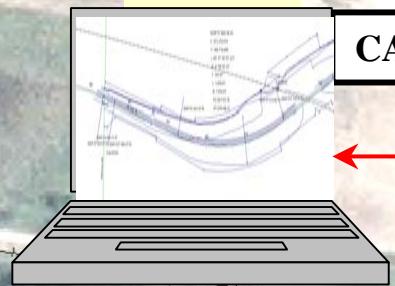
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St Paul, Minnesota



Design

CAD



IC

Construction QC



Geodatabase

12INP PI 508+
X 473,379.57
Y 189,714.40
| 40° 37' 06.1" (E)
D 2° 59' 56.33"
T 707.07
L 1,354.41'
R 1,910.51'
PC 501+53.76
PT 515+08.17

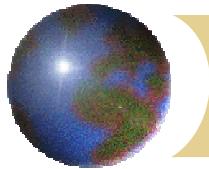
EQUATION:
12INP PT 515+08.17 = 12INP PCT 515+07.45



Geospatial Mapping

Pavement Management Archive

Construction QA Testing



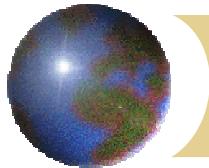
Current Mn/DOT QC/QA

- Sand cone testing
 - 100% Proctor
- Test rolling
- Oven-dry MC

Problems

- Slow results
- Inaccurate
- Tests / verifies empirical parameter
- Unsafe!





Mechanistic Testing Equipment

● Elastic Modulus

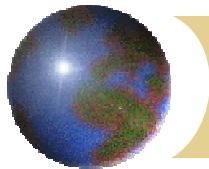
- Intelligent Compactor (IC)
- Plate Load Tests (static and quasi-static)
- Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD)
- Light Weight Deflectometer (LWD)
- Soil Stiffness Gauge (SSG or GeoGauge)



● Shear Strength

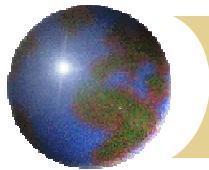
- Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP)



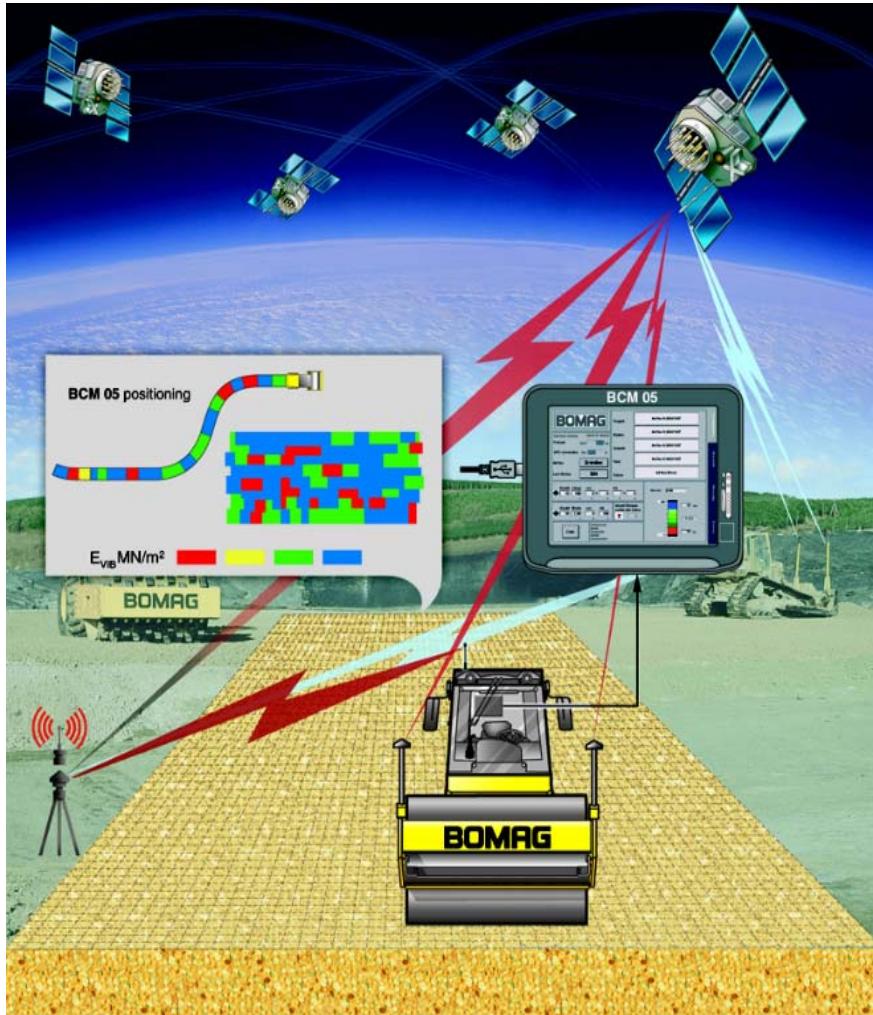


Intelligent Compaction in Minnesota

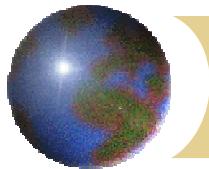
- The Minnesota Department of Transportation has been investigating intelligent compaction (IC) technology over the past two years.



Intelligent Compaction

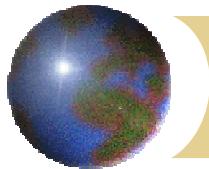


- Continuous calculation of compaction or related parameter
- Automatic adjustment of compactive effort in response to measured material parameter
- Documentation system that provides on-demand color coded mapping of the site



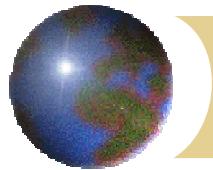
Benefits to Mn/DOT

- Increased Compaction Uniformity
- Complete Documentation of Every Lift
- Automation and Better Record Keeping
- Improved Inspector Safety
- No More Sand Cone Testing

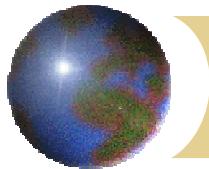


2005 Conclusions

- The compactors were well made, easy to operate, and helped the operator to make better decisions.
- Intelligent compactors can measure the stiffness of the ground and adjust their compactive force as needed.
- Surface covering documentation can be produced.
- Data transfer was functional, but must be improved.



How We Handle the Data?



IC Roller Similarities

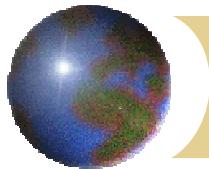
- Single drum vibratory rollers
- GPS System
- Stiffness / Modulus estimated
- Mapping System



IC Roller Differences

- Geographic Positioning System (GPS)
- Data File Format and Information
 - Coordinate and Projection System
 - Timestamp
 - Manufacturer Specific Output (Passes)

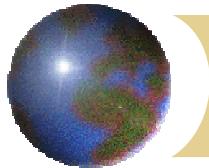




Field QA Inspection Implementation

- Technologically "Easy" to Use
 - Handling the data
- Field Rugged
 - Palm pilot
 - laptop
- Scientifically Rigorous
 - Preprocessing geostatistics

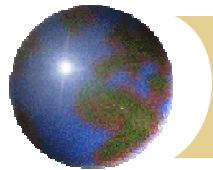




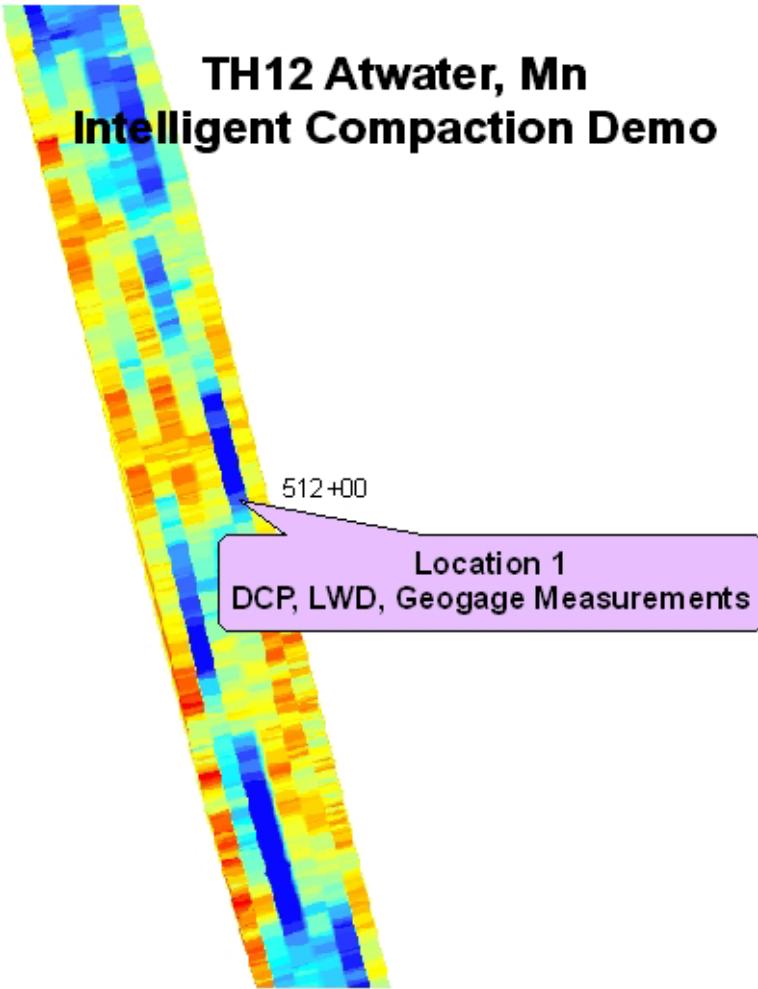
Data Needs for Identifying Quality Assurance Test Locations.

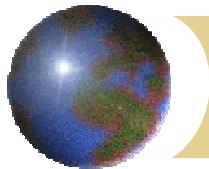
- Mapping system
 - Import compactor data as it becomes available.
 - Superimpose compactor data on construction plans.
- Final Compaction Layer (Proof Layer)
 - Coordinates (x,y)
 - Stiffness / Modulus estimated
 - Timestamp
- Inspection Points
 - Engineering judgement
 - Use new material specifications and geostatistical methods to determine locations for quality assurance testing.





TH12 Atwater, Mn Intelligent Compaction Demo

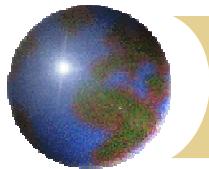




Implementing Simplified QA Method

● **Development Framework**

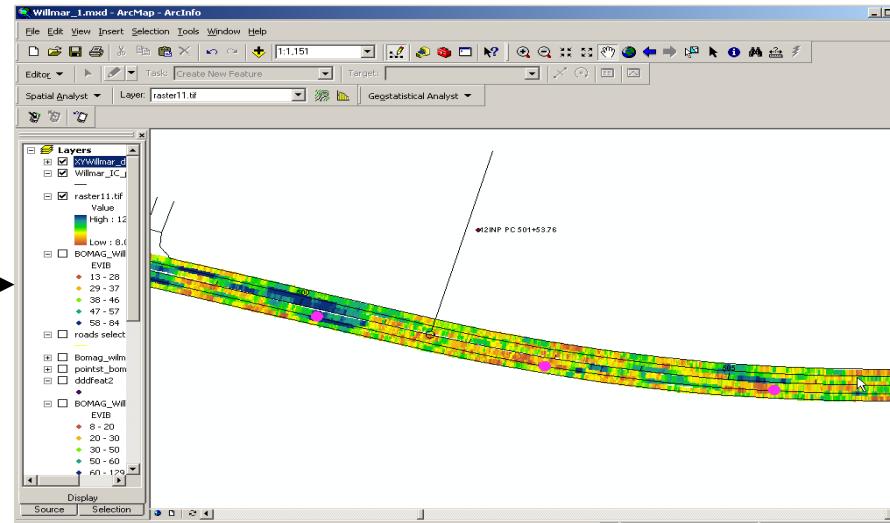
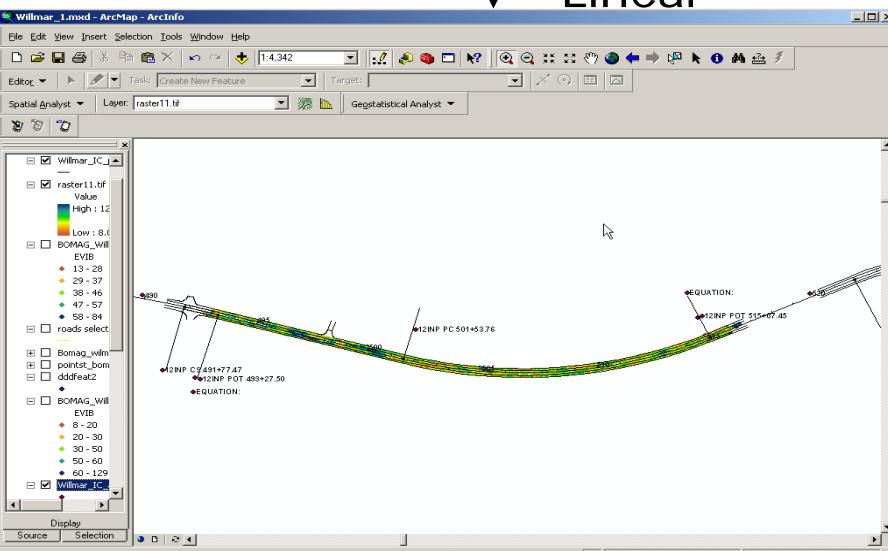
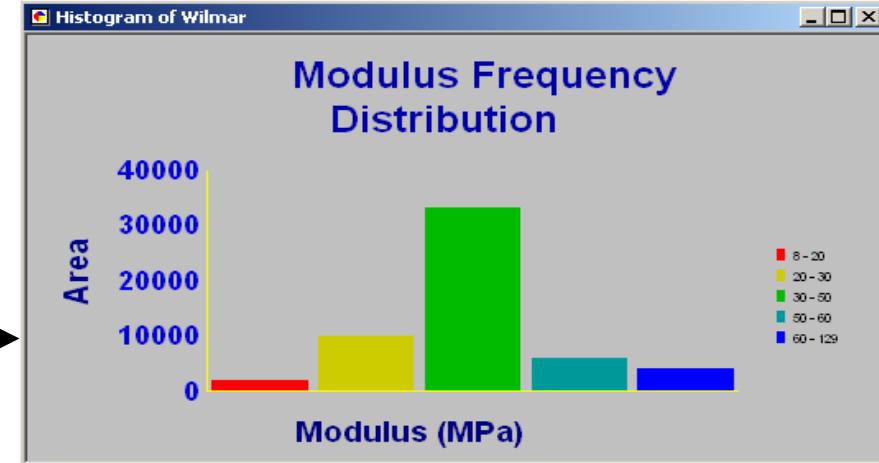
- ASCII text file (as defined by MnDOT IC specification)
- Histogram
- Linear Model for Surface Plot
- Engineering Judgment

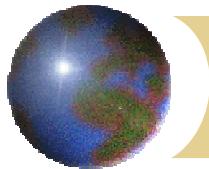


Implementing Simplified QA Method

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Linear





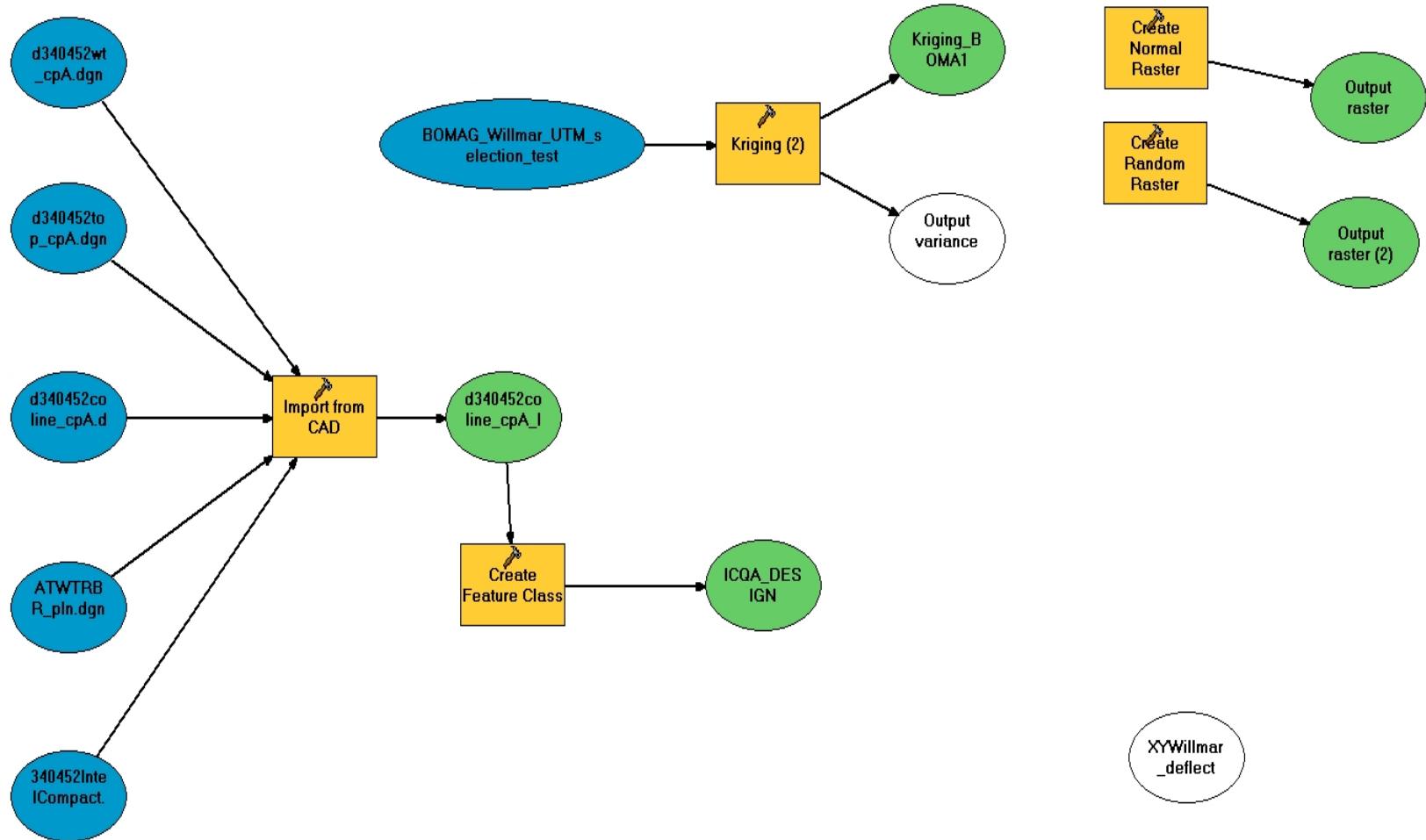
Implementing Geostatistically-Based QA Testing

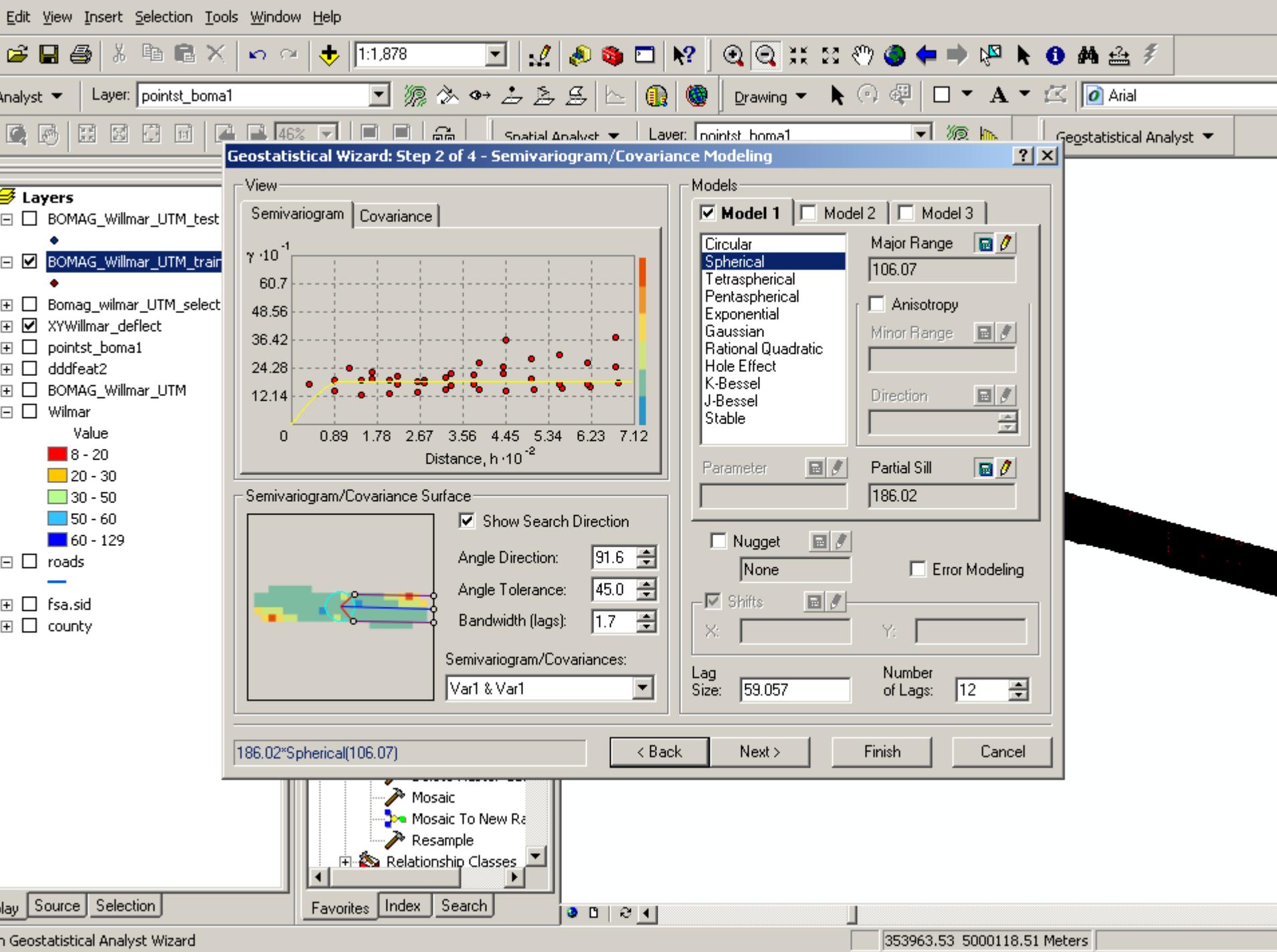
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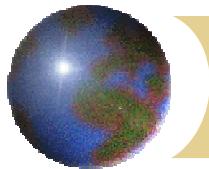
- ◆ ASCII text file (as defined by MnDOT IC specification)
- ◆ Generate Variogram
 - Based on greatest lag distance with least amount of variability
- ◆ Final output is Map containing CAD drawing, aerial photo, compactor data, and QA sampling coordinates



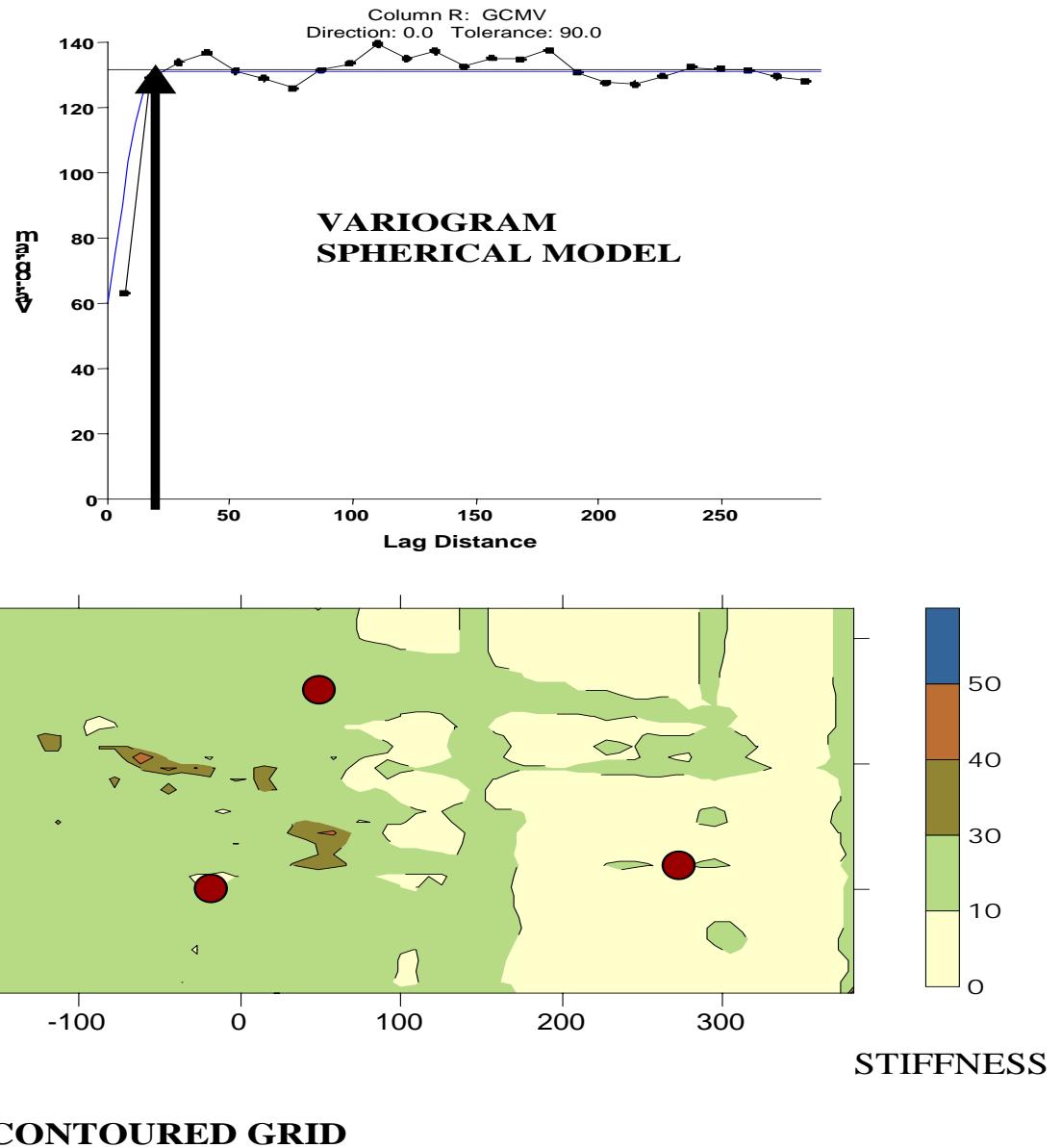
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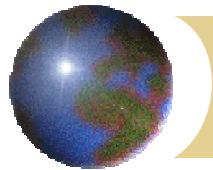




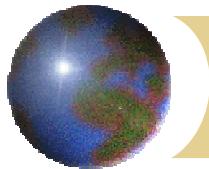


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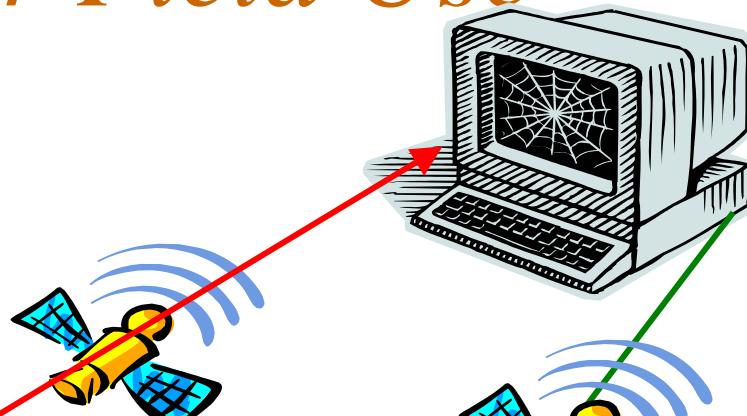
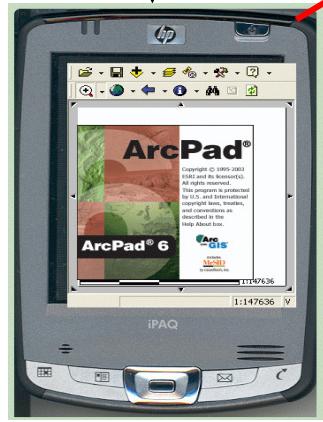


Evaluating Devices for Field Implementation



Palm Device for Field Use

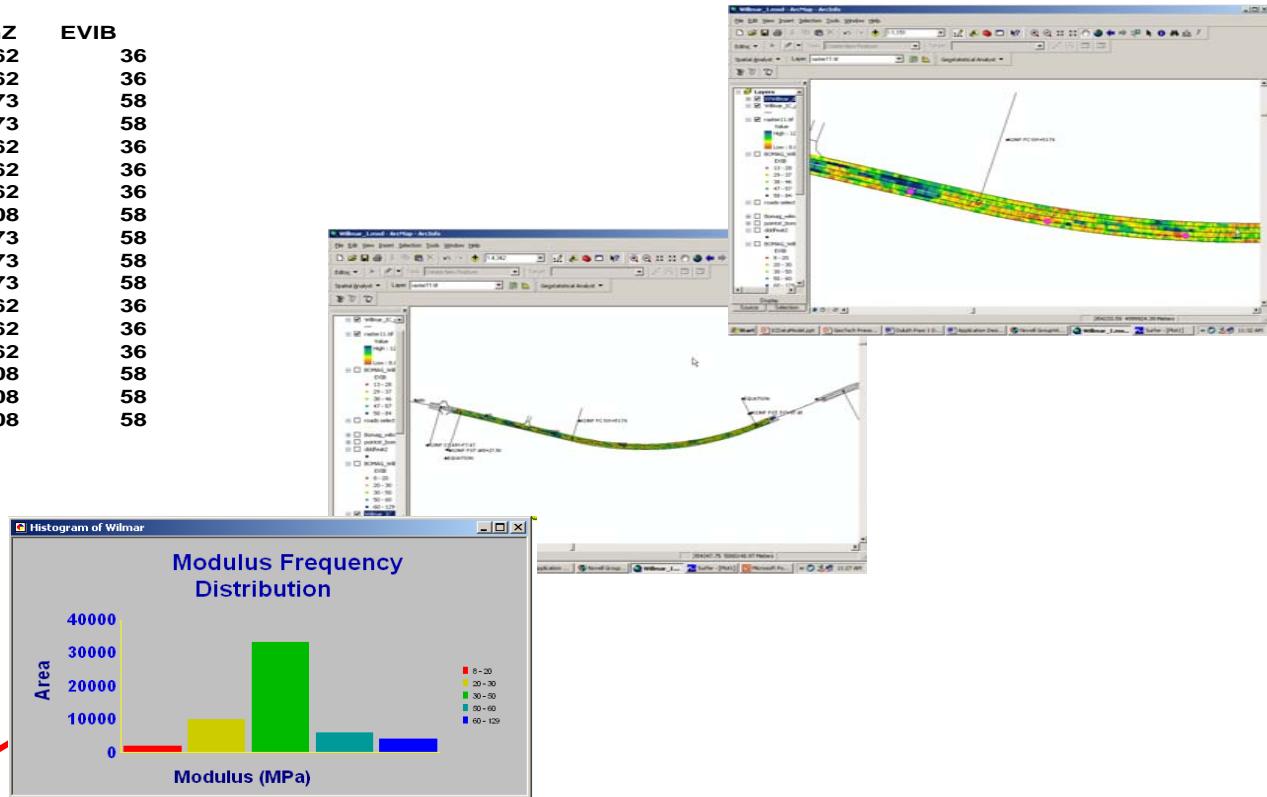
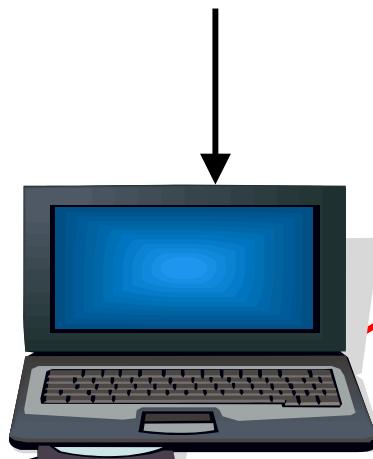
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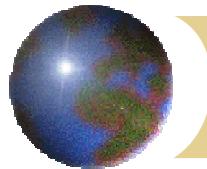




Laptop for Field Use

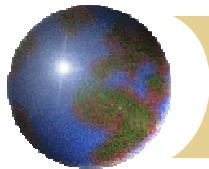
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Conclusions: Data Format

- Need standardized data format
 - Roller Parameters
 - Frequency, Amplitude, Acceleration of Drum
 - Position data that includes x,y, and z-coordinates for both sides of the drum in UTM NAD 1983 zone 15N
 - Time stamp for each data point accurate to frequency of the drum



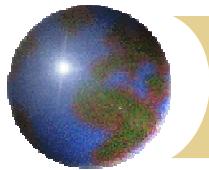
Conclusions: Data Processing

● Simplified QA Method

- Fast and Easy
- Data intensive
- Engineering Judgment

● Geostatistically-based Method

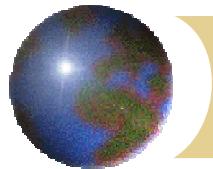
- Relatively fast and easy
- Preprocessing
- Scientifically rigorous
- Objective



Conclusions: Field Devices

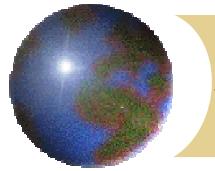
- HP Palm: slow processor, ArcPad cannot preprocess data, has wireless and GPS capabilities.
 - Neither Simplified or Geostatistics Method
 - Displays already processed data / data collection

- Laptop (TOUGHBOOK) can Map and process data, ArcView, wireless capabilities.
 - Both Simplified or Geostatistics Method
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IC Resources

- <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/const/tools/innovativecontract.html>
- http://mnroad.dot.state.mn.us/research/ictgi/ictgi_welcome.asp
- Mn/DOT Participation with Other DOTs
 - FHWA-led Intelligent Compaction Pooled Fund
 - NCHRP 21-09 Intelligent Compaction Specifications
 - Open House/Demonstration at MnROAD



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