



# Integration of 3D cadastre, addressing and topography

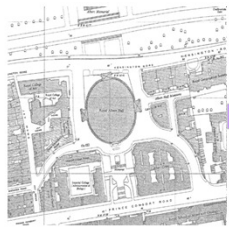
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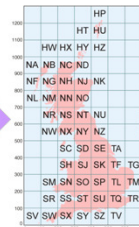
# Evolution of Geographic Information in National Mapping



Initial  
Survey



National  
Coverage



Metric,  
national  
CRS



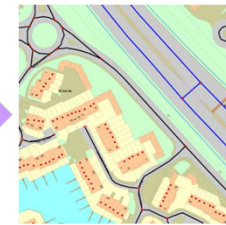
Nationally  
consistent  
data



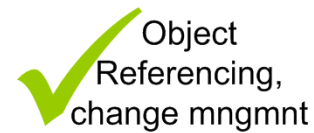
Digital  
spaghetti



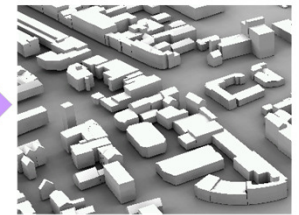
GIS use



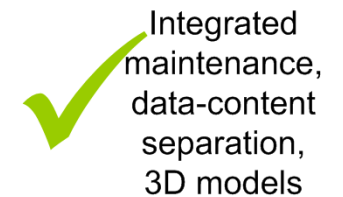
Topological  
geometric  
object layers



Object  
Referencing,  
change mngmnt



Classification,  
Componentisation  
Rules and 3D



Integrated  
maintenance,  
data-content  
separation,  
3D models

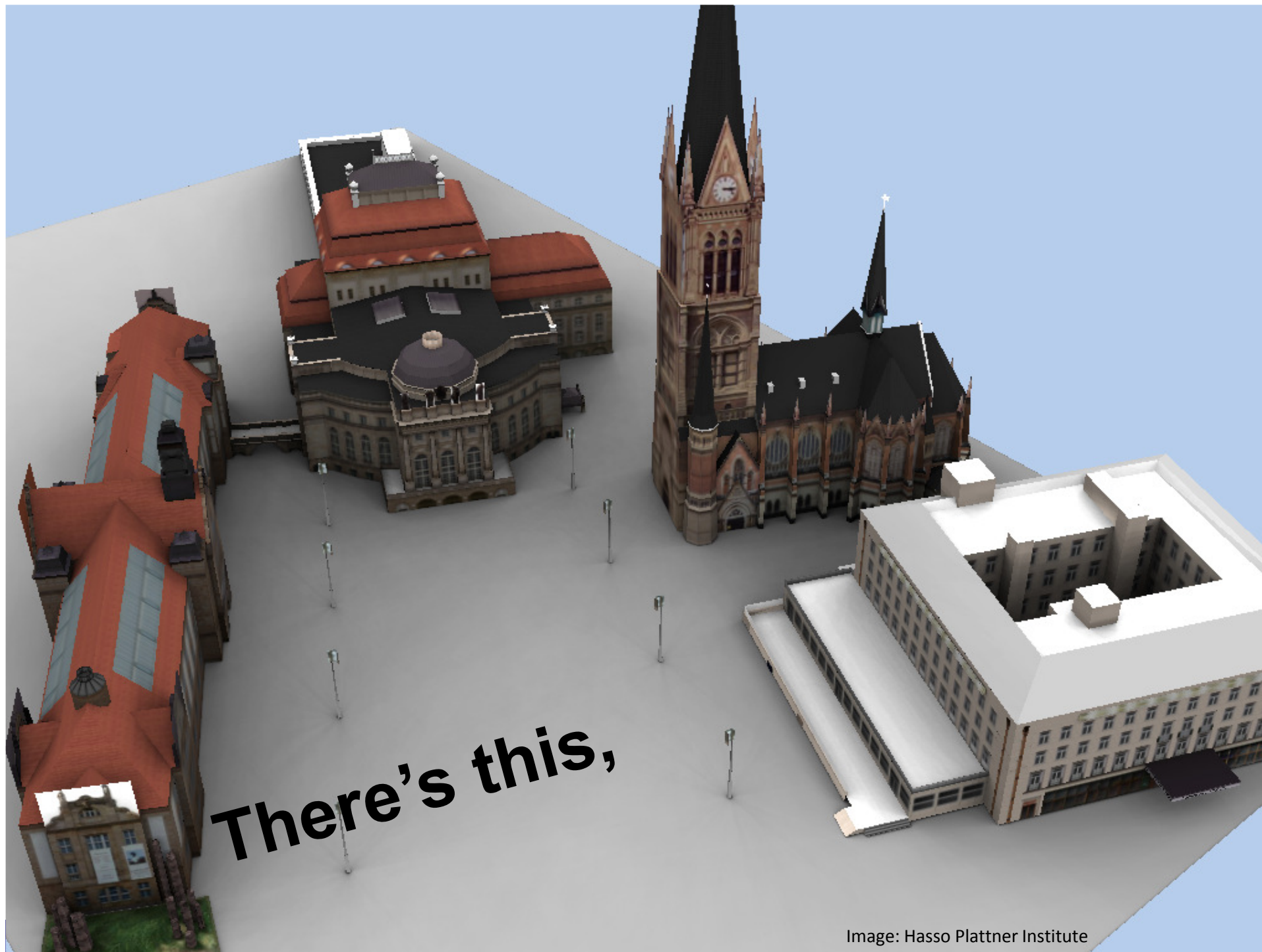
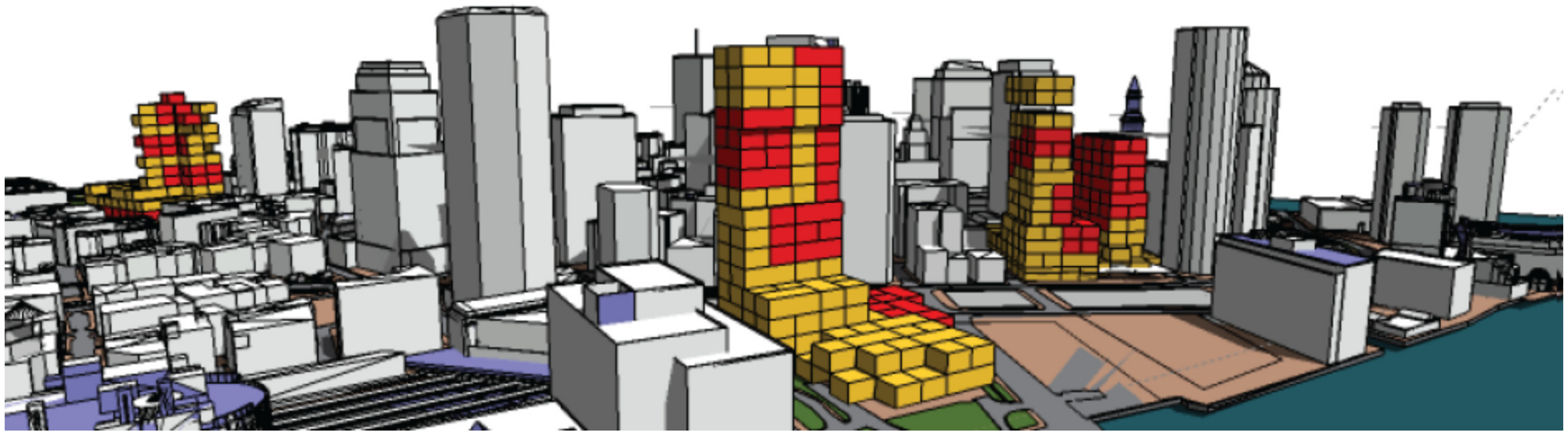


Image: Hasso Plattner Institute



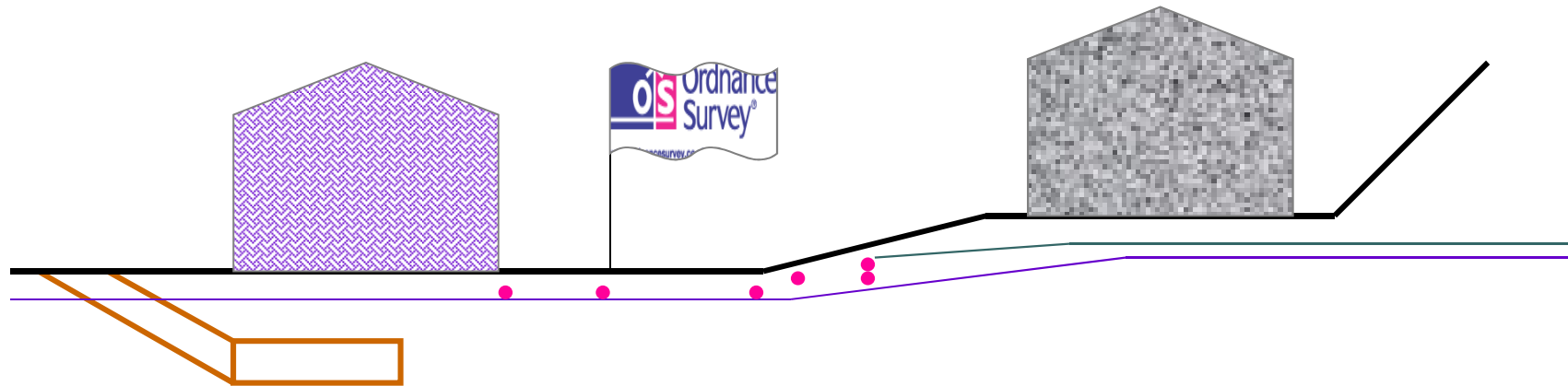
buildings may be [...] decomposed into different storeys  
(and even more detailed into appartements and single rooms)

**And there's this.**

Image: Paul Cote, Harvard Graduate School of Design



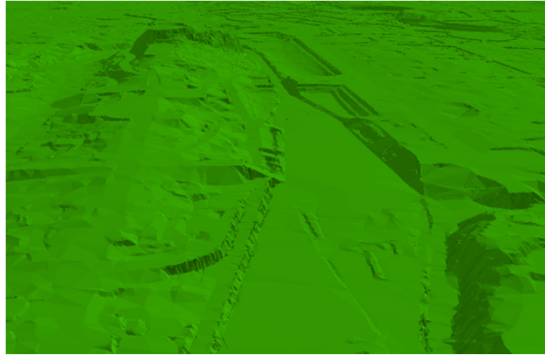
## 3 dimensions of 3D



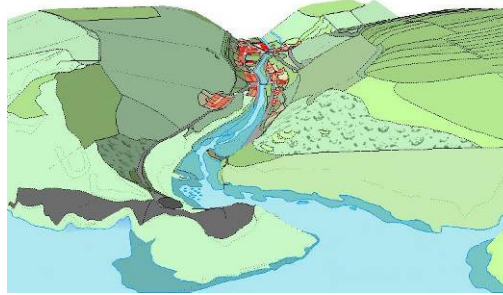
1. Earth surface ► DTM
2. Above ground ► City/building models
3. Below ground ► utilities, subsurface spaces



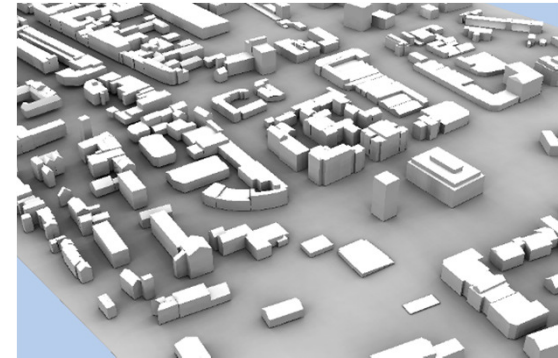
# What does '3D' mean?



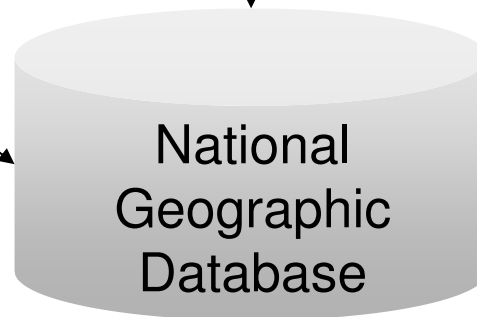
Digital  
Terrain/Surface  
Models



Heighted surface  
features



Heighted  
elevated features



National  
Geographic  
Database

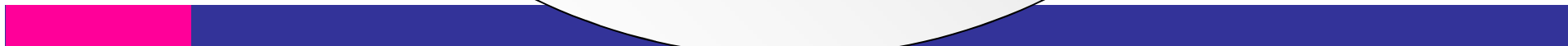


3D: a difficult  
coordinate system!

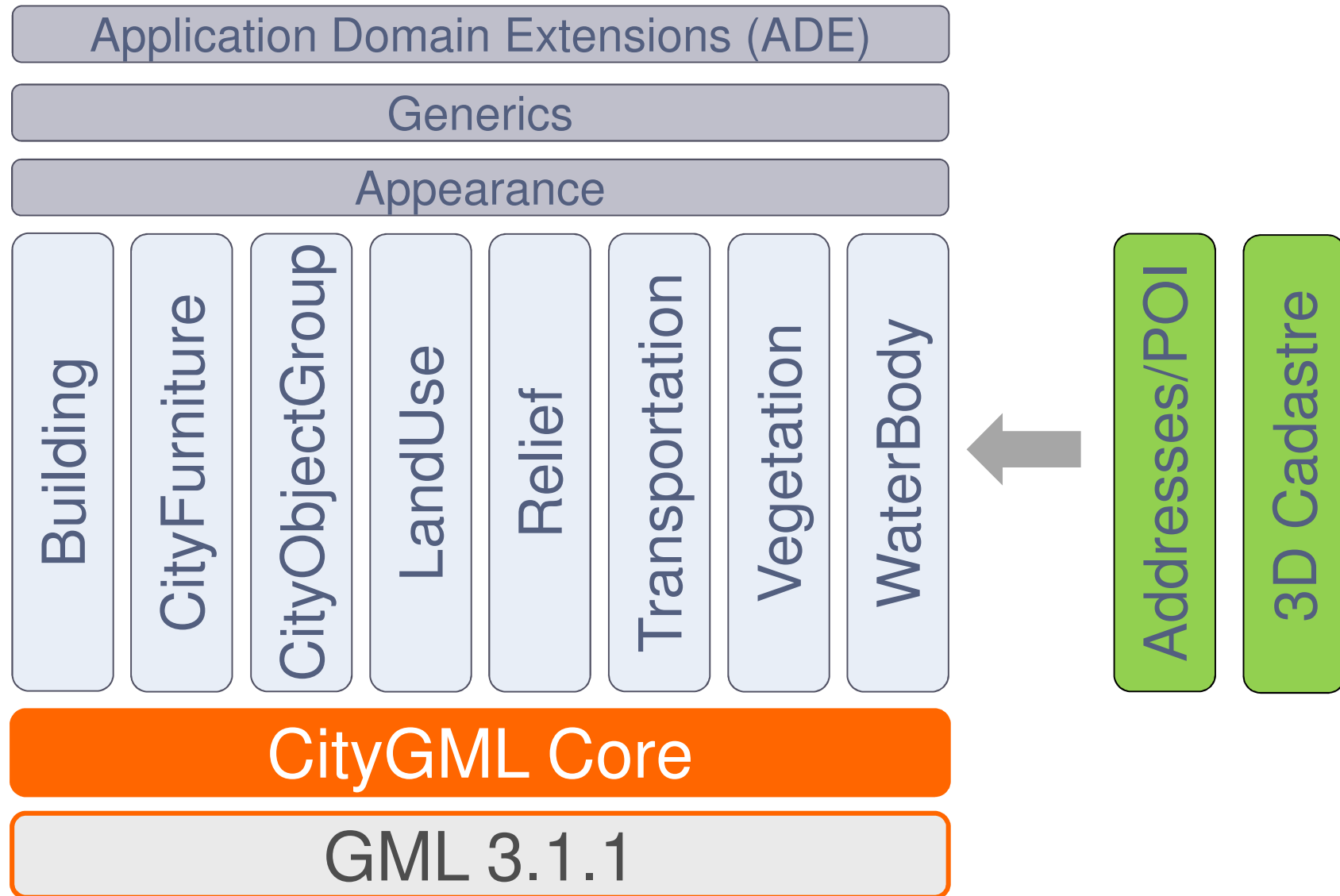
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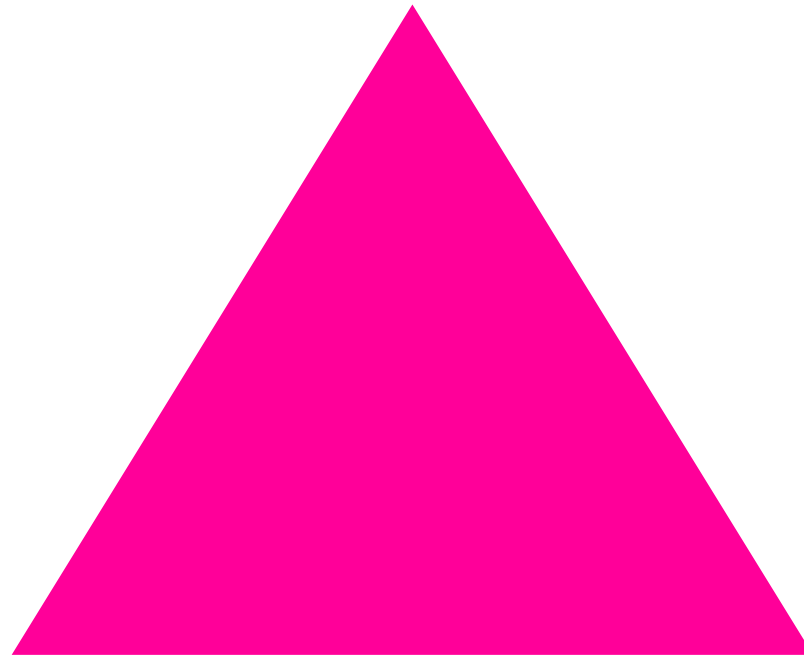
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# Potential future modules



Address/POI



Topography/Appearance

Cadastre



## Addresses / POI

- AR runs on POIs, important for search
- POIs as a shorthand for a proper feature representation
- POIs usually have a strong classification hierarchy
- Addresses as a key reference geography
- POI/Address integration rather underdeveloped
- Referencing location within a building



## 3D cadastre

- LADM (ISO19152)
- Strata titles
- FIG working group on 3D cadastre—field that is still in its infancy
- Referencing property within an building/in 3D.

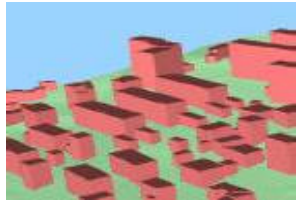


# Are these the right Levels of Detail?



## **LOD 0—Regional Model**

Digital terrain model



## **LOD 1—City model**

Block model, no roof structures



## **LOD 2—City/Site model**

Roof structures, optional textures



## **LOD 3—Site model**

Detailed architectural model



## **LOD 4—Interior model**

Walkable interior spaces



# How to integrate Indoor Levels of Detail



**LOD 0—something flat (to drape or anchor)**



**LOD 1—something extruded**



**LOD 2—better than extruded but generalised**



**LOD 3—detailed**



**LOD 4—doesn't really fit (sample data anyone?)**



# Questions

- Does a floor need to belong to a building?
- Can we talk about a floor without talking/knowing about the building?



# Requirements for Indoor representations

- Storeys,
- Functional/addressable units (building units),
- Connectors (stairs, escalators, etc),
- Floorplans and
- Assets within buildings (building installations already there)

should be represented.

Allow only relevant parts of the building.

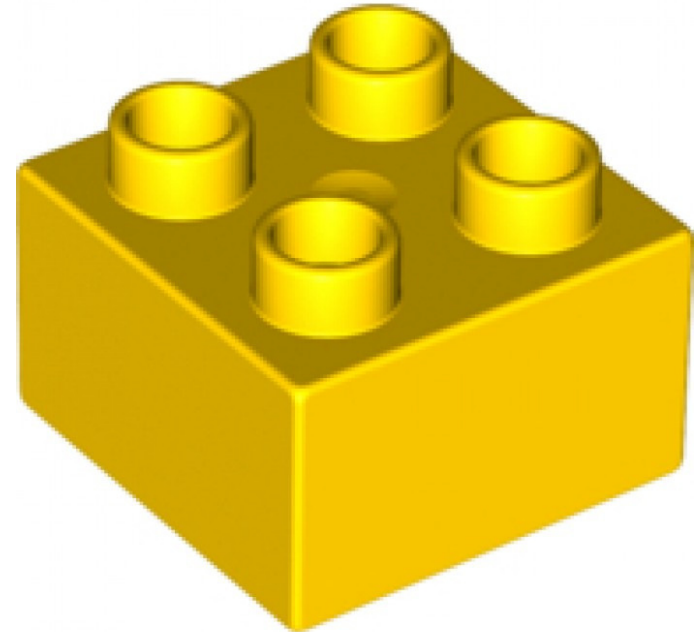


# Create a model by stacking up storeys or functional units

Do we need storeys in multiple LoDs?

Could look like this

- Floorplan
- Block
- Generalised spaces
- Detailed spaces



- Should be able to stand on its own without exterior representation
- Storeys as implicit geometric representations of the outer shell
- CSG?
- Relationship between storeys and functional units.



## Key Assumptions

- As web access and computing goes mobile, location information becomes more important.
- Geographic Information is the key to integrating all kinds of business information.
- 2D representations remain valid, they are often more appropriate.
- Datasets will be replaced by dynamic queries / sensor networks.
- Integration of indoor and outdoor spaces will (have to) be seamless.
- Integration of data will (have to) be simple.



## Moving forward we will need

- To be able to reference the indoor and outdoor in an integrated way;
- High quality, authoritative and maintained 3D data of the built environment;
- Floor-plan, cadastre and address integration into buildings;
- More tools to create, manage, view, analyse and use data easily;
- A plug-and-play 3D location service / environment / API (not just data).



Address/POI



Easy integration of meaningful  
3D data will be key.

Topography/Appearance

Cadastre

