

#### **Common GIS Terms and Definitions**

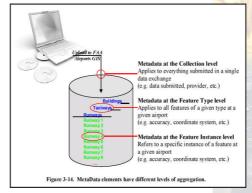
- Layer | a slice or stratum of data considered equivalent to a legend item on a map (eg., on a city map, the layers could include: streets, bodies of water, property/land parcels, parks, etc.)
- Feature | an individual point, line, or polygon that has both geometry and spatial information (eg., Runway, Taxiway, etc.)
- Feature Class | a group of features (eg., a points feature class or a polygon feature class) contained in a data file
  - ► a RUNWAY is a feature in the Airfield Class
  - ► a **BUILDING** is a **feature** of the **Manmade Structures Class**
- Attribute | information about a geographic feature, typically stored in a table called an attribute table
  - Typically, each row represents a feature on the map;
  - and each column is an attribute of the feature

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## **Common GIS Terms and Definitions (continued)**

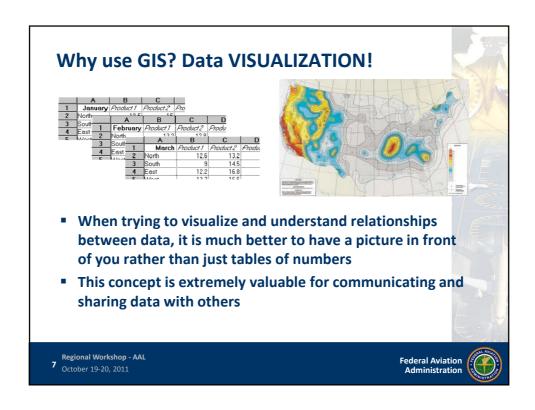
- Metadata | information about the content, quality, condition, and other characteristics of data (i.e. "data about the data")
  - how, when, where, by whom data was collected
  - accuracy and reliability
  - scale and resolution
  - geographic projection or coordinate system

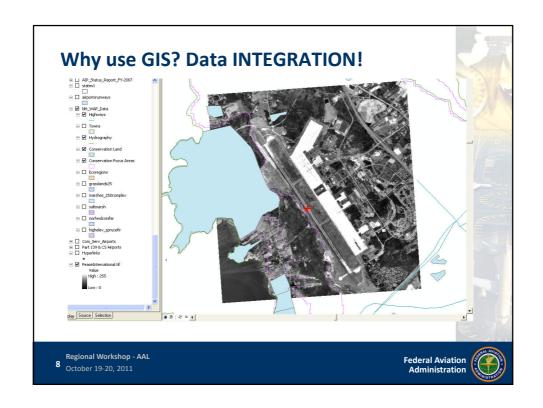


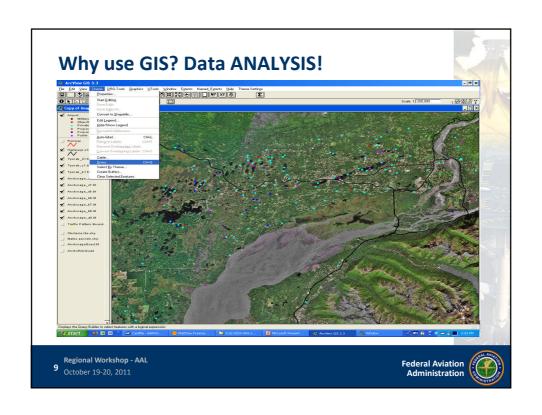
- AC150/5300-18 uses metadata elements defined by International Standards Organization's (ISO) Geographic Information—Metadata Standard (ISO 19115)
- Of the 409 elements defined in ISO 19115, only 29 are used in -18

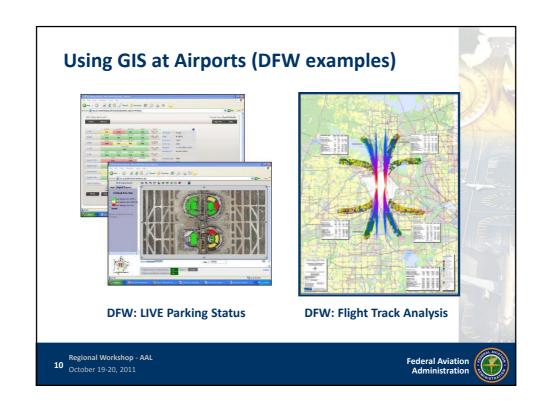
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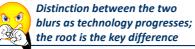




### What is the difference between CAD and GIS?

#### CAD

- used to represent objects or features found on the Earth, typically using coordinate systems that are relative to the features being represented
- a drafting tool, ideally suited for creating precise technical drawings, such as a detailed future airport layout plan or an architectural drawing of a house or engineering project plans



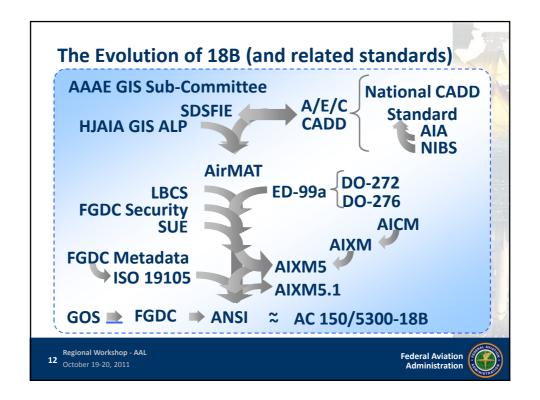
#### **GIS**

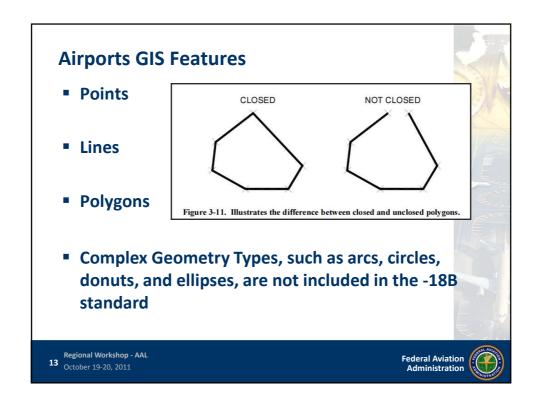
- used to represent parts of the Earth itself, using coordinate systems that are relative to particular locations on the Earth
- A DATA MANAGEMENT TOOL great for bringing together and relating geographic data features and their attributes
- Its real power comes in its ability to bring together many different types of data from many different sources, relate that data in a spatial context, and use
   the data relationships to develop conclusions, answer questions, and solve problems

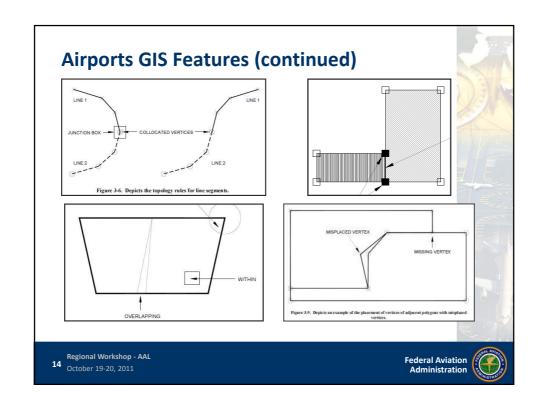
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## -18, Chapter 5 | Feature Groups

- Airfield
- Airspace
- Cadastral
- Environmental
- Geospatial
- Man Made
- Navigational Aides
- Seaplane
- Security
- Surface Transportation
- Utilities

The Feature Group of the element. Description Color Line type Line Weight Symbol Line weight
AutoCAD Color code AutoCAD MicroStation Standards MicroStation Information Assurance Security level credential AIMM AIM equivalent of feature.

FGDC FGDC equivalent of feature.

SDSFIE SUPPLE required for feature class elements. Minimum requirements are defined in paragraphs 1.5.2 and 1.5.3. Additional or expanded documentation requirements are located here. **Equivalent Standards** Documentation and Submission Requirements Related Features

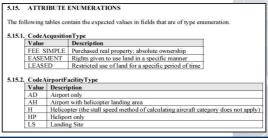
Data Capture Rules: Descrip Vertical of specific VSP Survey Point Location Horizontal Accuracy Requirements (in feet) Accuracy requirement Geographic Coordinates Distances and Elevations Feature Attributes
Attribute (Datatype)

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## **Attribute Enumerations (Domain Values)**

- Sometimes it is necessary to limit the range of values for an attribute. -18
  uses the domain for an attribute to list the acceptable values
  - Range domains limit the attribute values to a range of numeric or date values
  - <u>List domains</u> limit values to a selection of choices
- A code list allows users to add values to a list of acceptable values and still be compliant with the standard. An enumeration is a list users cannot add to. In this standard, most of the list domains are enumerations.
- For each such attribute with enumeration, there is an associated table in Chapter 5 listing the acceptable values and their definitions



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