

# Wildfire prediction using Spatio-Temporal Knowledge Graphs

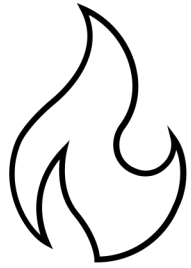
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# Introduction



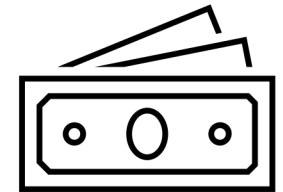
**US (2021)**

58.985 wildfires



**California**

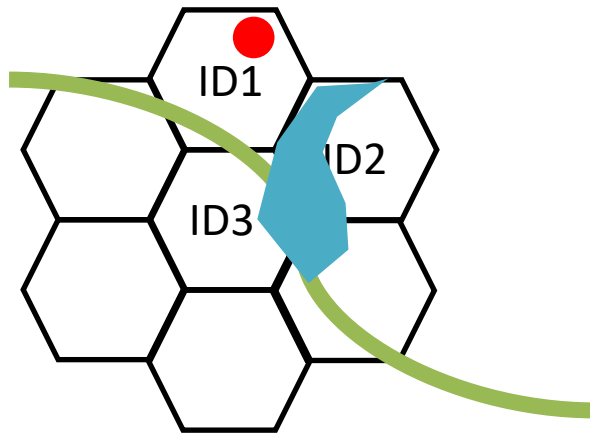
2M house at risk



**California (2018)**

148B \$ economic damage

# Current data preparation techniques

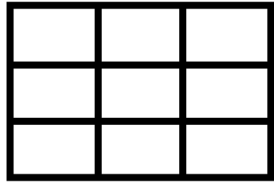


Grid Cell ID	hasRiver	hasCampfire	Wildfire
ID1	True	True	False
ID2	False	False	True
ID3	True	False	True

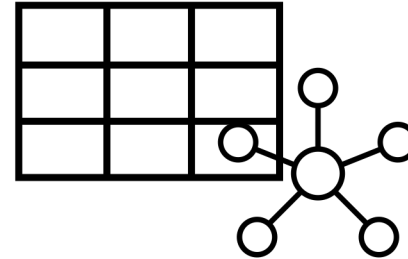
- Use Grid cells as single elements within datasets
- No inclusion of surrounding elements
- Limited data base

**Can surrounding elements have a positive influence on wildfire prediction?**

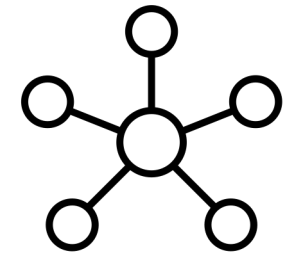
# Use Case Overview



Base Case

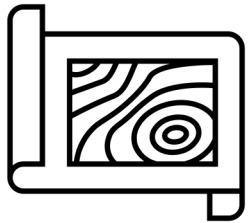


Hybrid Case



Graph Case

# Input data



Elevation data



Openstreetmap data



Landcover data

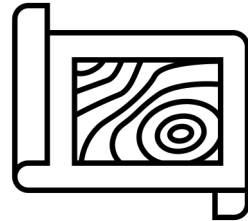
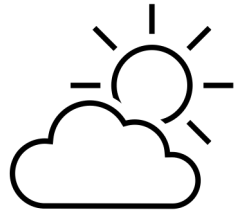
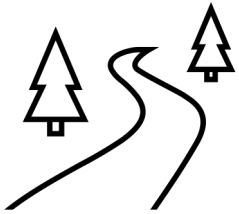


Wildfire area data



Weather data

# Incorporating spatial relationships



Interconnection of different  
data types

# Transform data to spatial knowledge graph

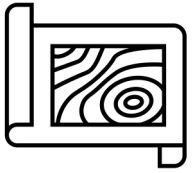
## Starting point



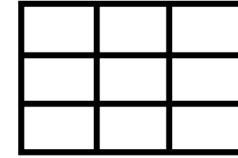
- Divide area into regular spaces (called grid)
- Each area is a grid cell
- Possible geometric objects:
  - Triangle
  - Square
  - Hexagons



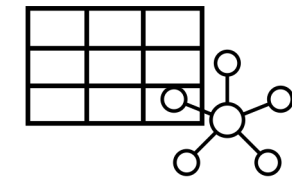
# Data Preparation



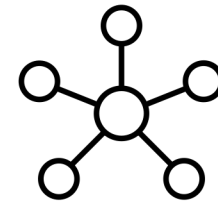
**Still data preparation steps  
needed**



Base Cases



Hybrid Cases



Graph Cases

# Data Preparation - Weather



- Pointwise measurements of weather variables
- Need to interpolate data over created spatial grid
- Used interpolation technique:

Kriging:

$$\hat{Z}(s_0) = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i * Z(s_i)$$

Weight  $\lambda_i$  is determined by a semivariogram

Semivariogram determines spatial autocorrelation and fits function to data

- Each constructed grid cell has now interpolated values for weather variables

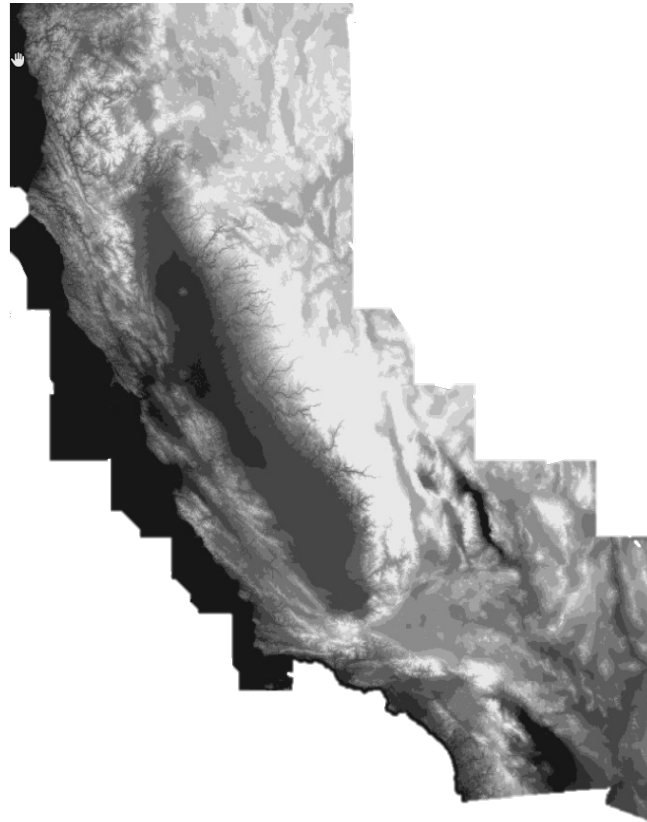
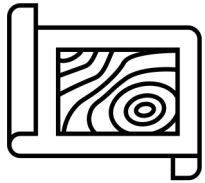
- $\lambda_i$ : Weight at i
- $Z(s_i)$ : Value at point  $s_i$
- $\hat{Z}(s_0)$ : Prediction at point  $s_0$



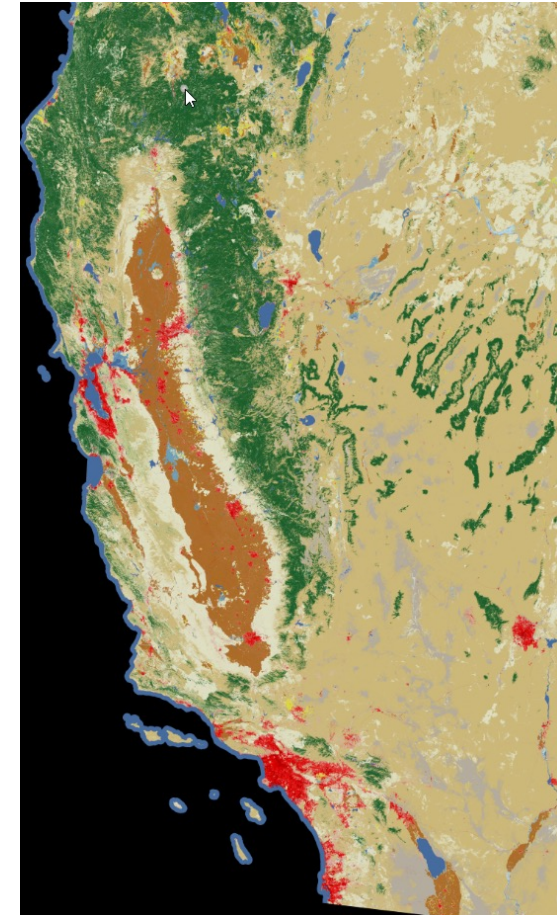
# Data Preparation – Elevation & Landcover data



Elevation



Land cover

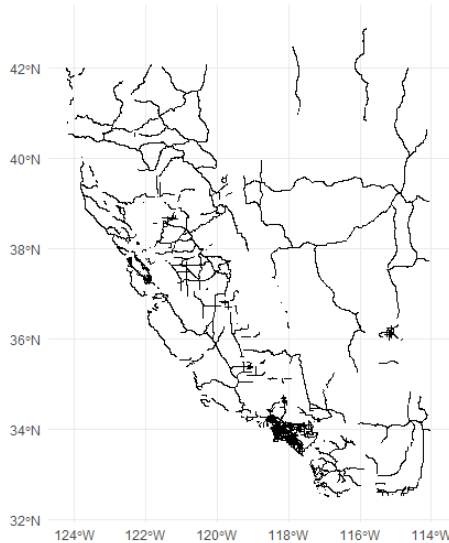


# Data Preparation – Elevation & Landcover data



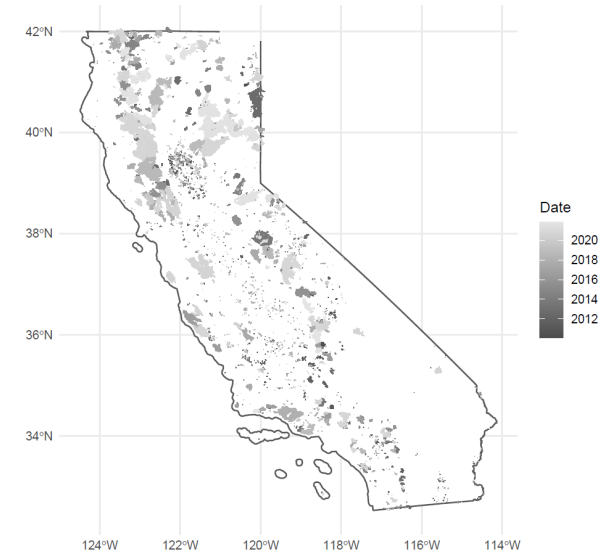
- Both datasets fine granular
  - Elevation 60m\*60m tiles
  - Landcover 90m\*90m tiles
- Elevation numeric dataset
- Landcover categorical dataset
- Elevation dataset gets aggregated with weighted mean to single grid cell
- Landcover dataset gets aggregated with weighted majority vote to single grid cell

# Data Preparation – Openstreetmap & Wildfire data



## Openstreetmap

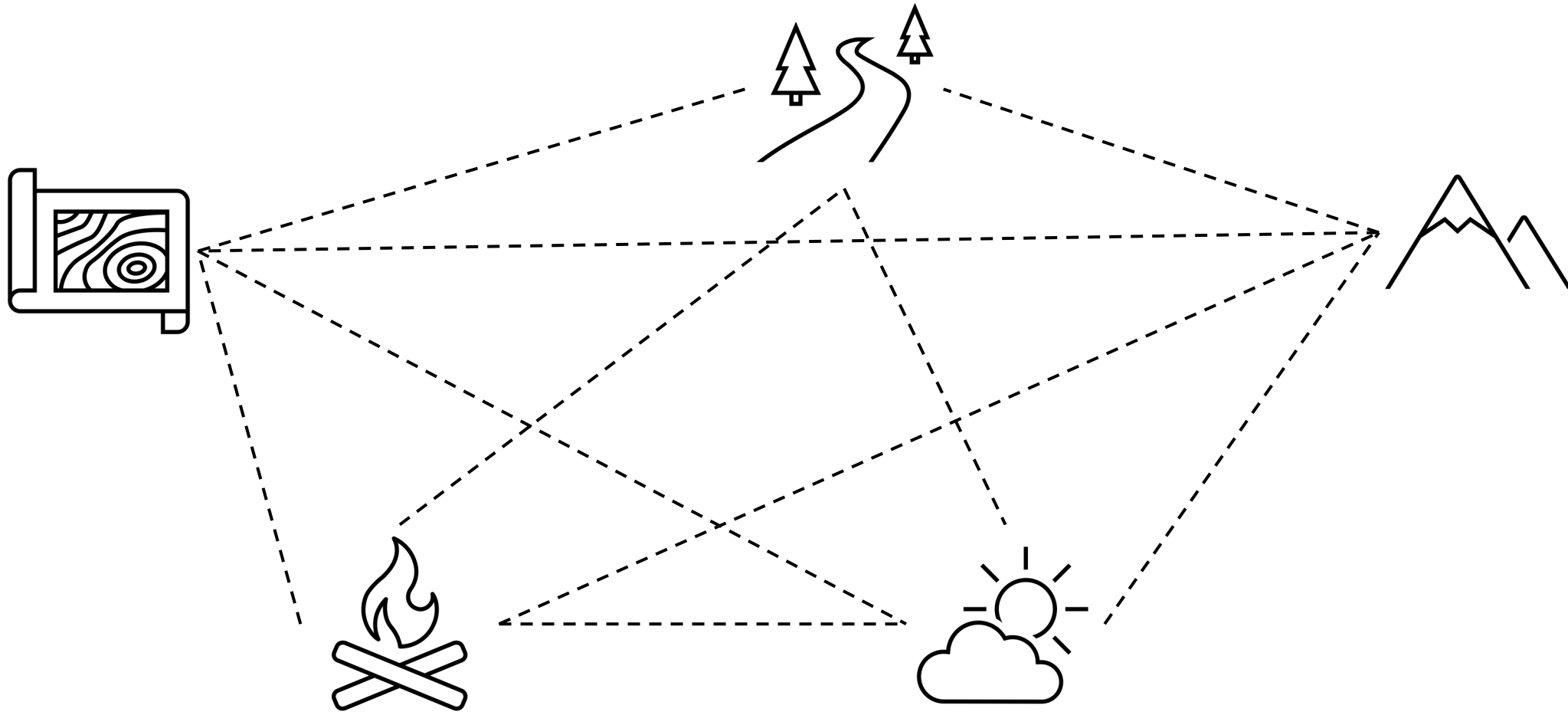
- Extract columns related to potential wildfires
- Extract necessary geometry types
- Join Openstreetmap to Grid Cell based on overlap



## Wildfire

- Transform year and days to date
- Join wildfire to Grid Cell based on relation overlap

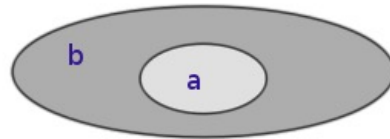
# Build up spatial knowledge graph



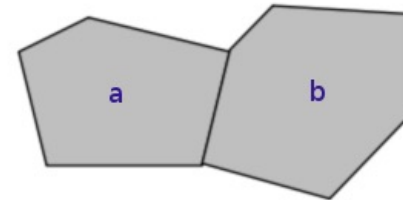
# Build up spatial knowledge graph – DE-9IM

- DE-9IM is topological model to build relationships between geometric objects

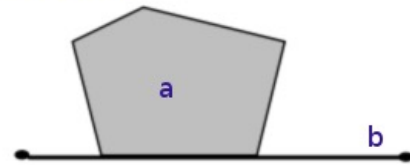
Within(a,b)



Touches(a,b)



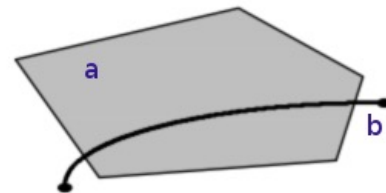
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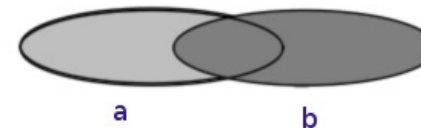
Crosses(a,b)



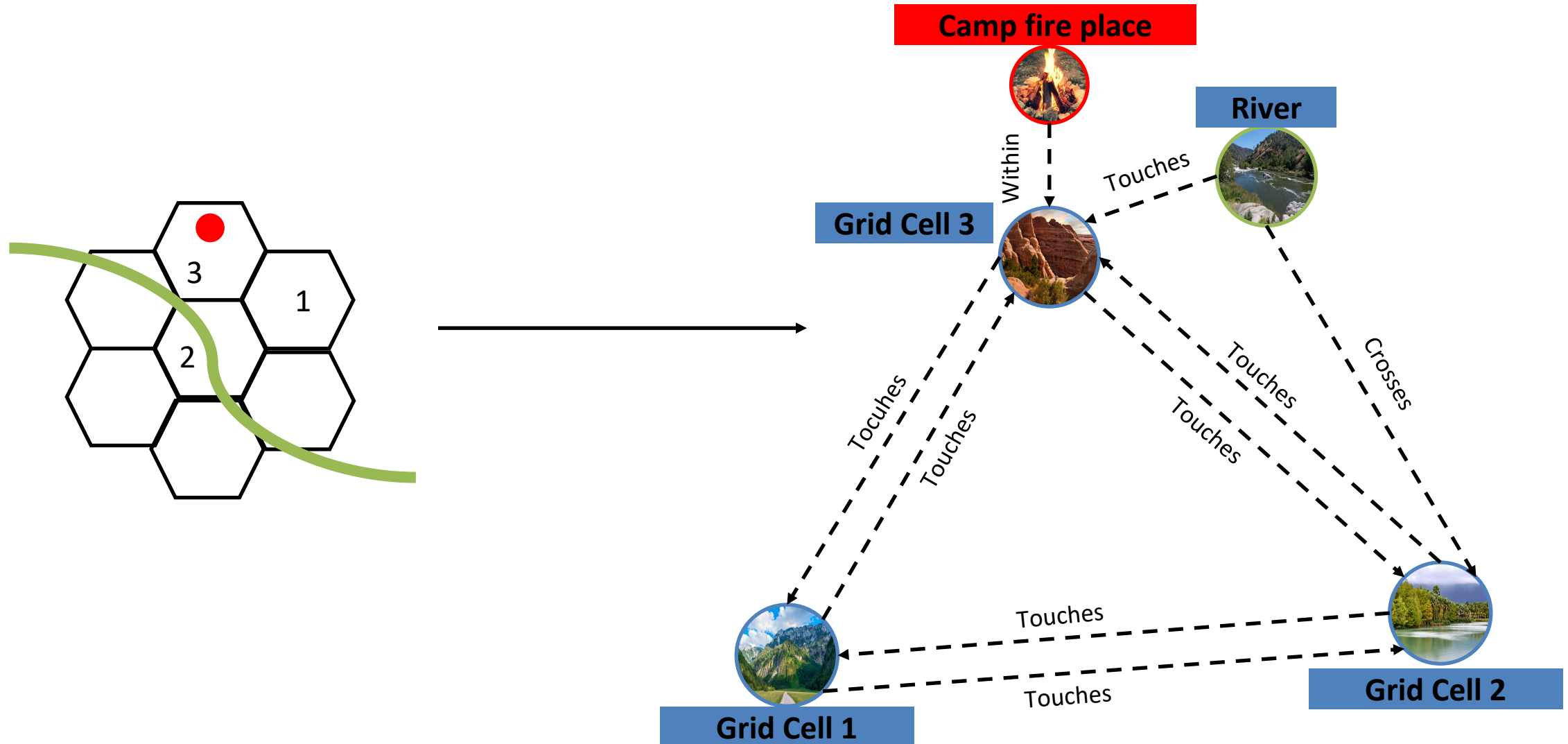
Crosses(a,b)



Overlaps(a,b)



# Transform data to spatial knowledge graph



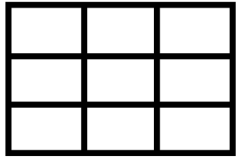


# Wildfire detection – Create Vector representation (RDF2Vec)

- RDF2Vec method transforms graphs to vector representations
- RDF2Vec is separated in two phases
  - Graph traversal phase with Breadth-First Search algorithm
  - Training of Word2Vec model
- Each extracted walk consists of Nodes and the Edge description transformed to sentence
- Resulting vector representation can be combined to dataset

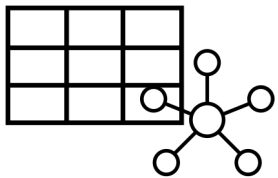


# Construct Base Case Dataset



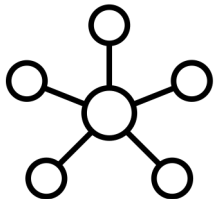
Base Cases

- Consists of tabular data where Grid Cell ID and Month build one row
- No relationship between neighboring grid cells



Hybrid Cases

- Consists of tabular data where Grid Cell ID and Month build one row
- Embeddings from OpenStreetMap knowledge graph are joined to dataset
- Neighbor semantics are modeled for single grid cell ID



Graph Cases

- Consists of embedding data where Grid Cell ID and Month build one row
- Embeddings from knowledge graph with all are joined

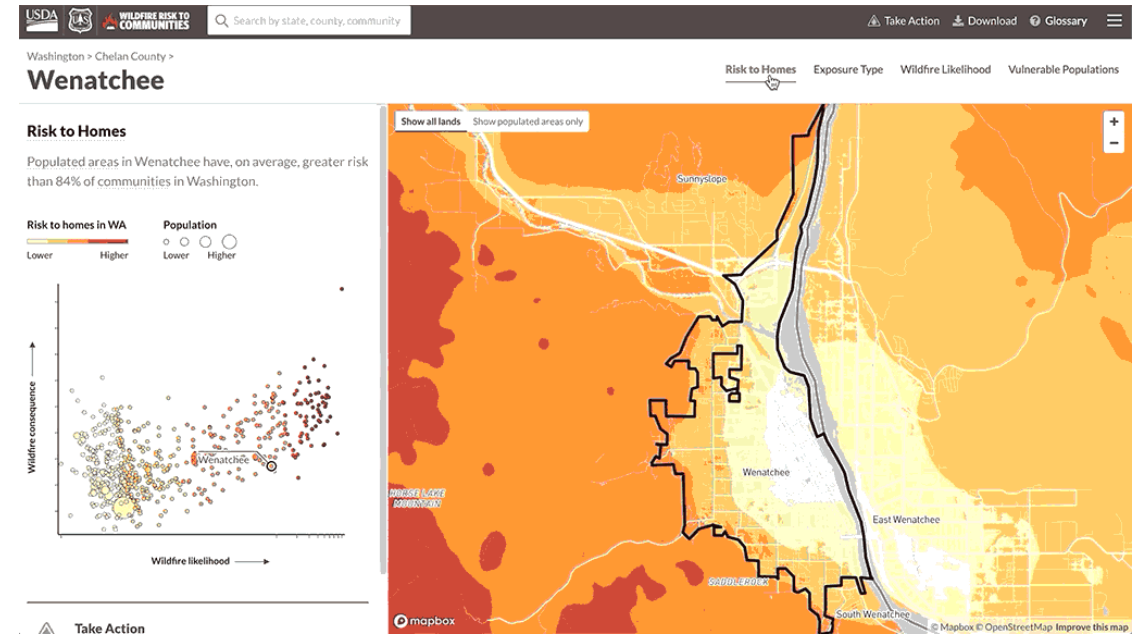
# Result overview



Dataset	F1	AUC
BaseCase	0.3478	0.6816
HybridCase	0.3803	0.8748
NetworkCase	0.0107	0.5341

# Conclusion and outlook

- Graph based inclusion in dataset improves results for Hybrid Case dataset
- Scenarios can be modelled more accurate due to surrounding factors and semantic relations
- Outlook:
  - Create more benchmark datasets related to geography
  - Compare constructed KG with other spatial Knowledge Graph on benchmark dataset
  - Embed Knowledge Graphs with different embedding methodologies



**Thank you**