

# LOCATION ANALYTICS FOR SMART GRID RELIABILITY



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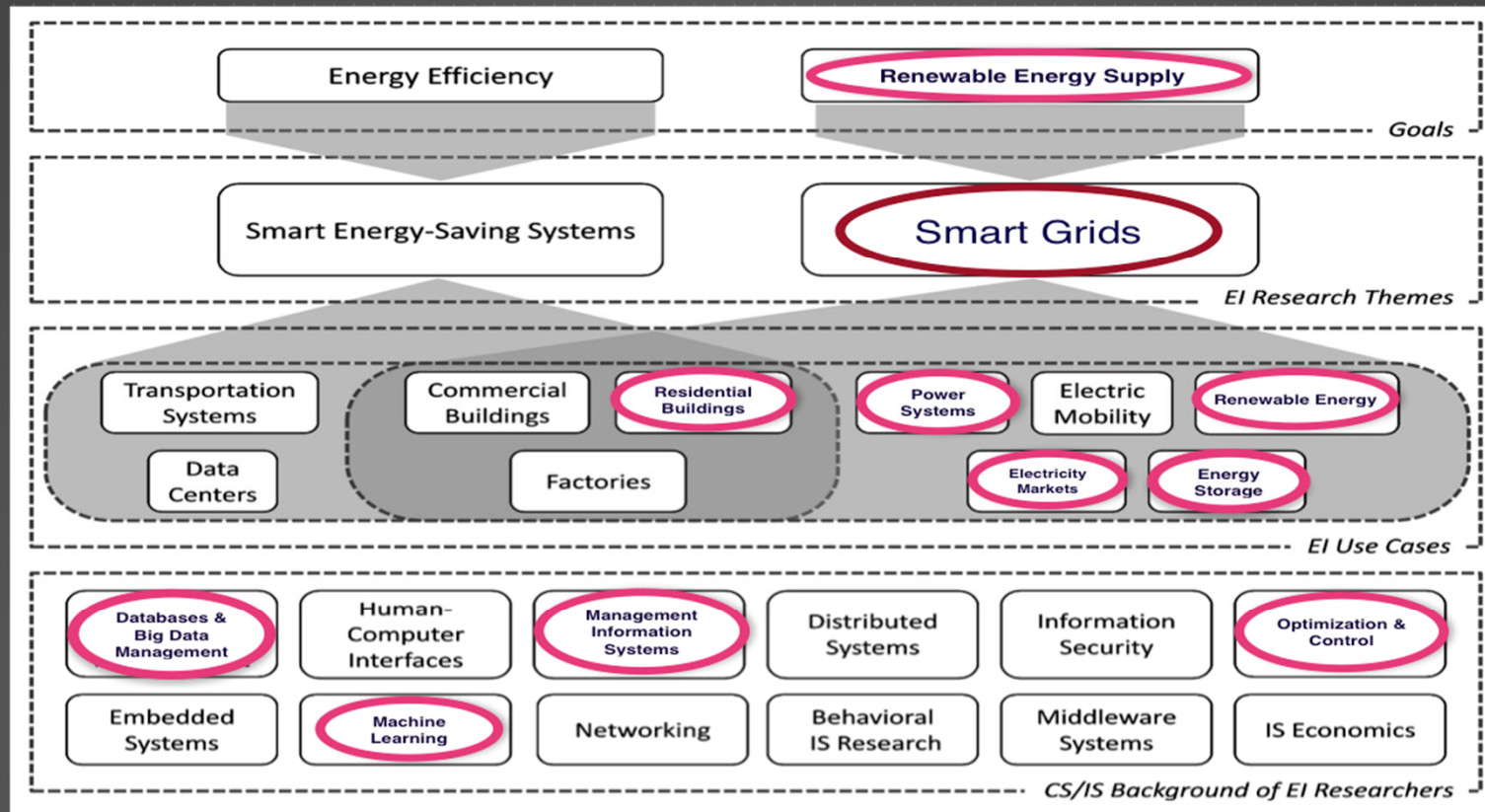
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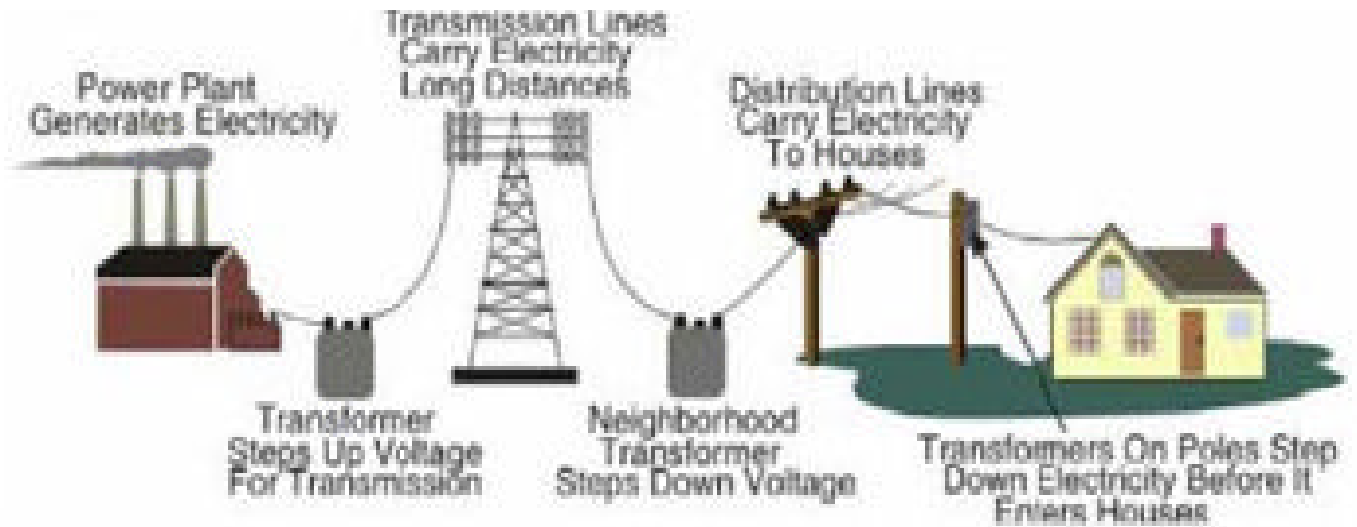
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# ENERGY INFORMATICS RESEARCH (GOEBEL ET AL. 2014)



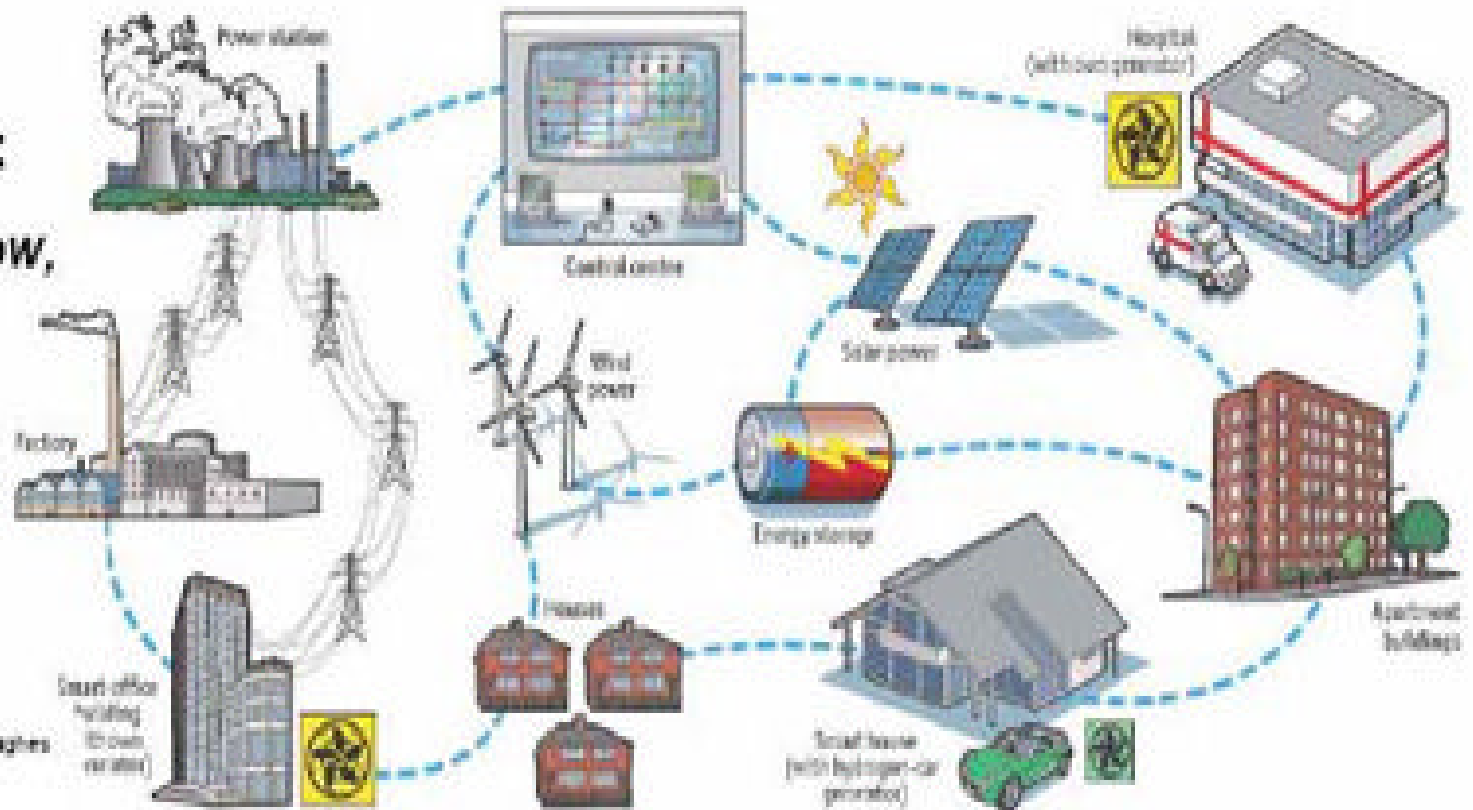
**Before Smart Grid:**

*One-way power flow,  
simple interactions*



**After Smart Grid:**

*Two-way power flow,  
multi-stakeholder  
interactions*



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# Smart Grid Reliability



Reliability: the degree to which the performances of the elements of the electric system result in power being delivered to consumers within accepted standards and in the amount desired - Measured by outage indices

- ❑ The economic cost of power interruptions to U.S. electricity consumers is \$79 billion annually in damages and lost economic activity
- ❑ Power outages can be especially tragic when it comes to life-support systems in places like hospitals and nursing homes or in facilities such as in airports, train stations, and traffic control

# Goal & Research Direction

The objective is to advance Smart Grid reliability through the use of location analytics - a class of tools for seizing, storing, analyzing, and demonstrating data in relation to its position on the Earth's surface

- ✓ GIS fostered a new approach to forecasting and data analytics
- ✓ GIS applications include recognizing site locations, mapping topographies and also developing analytical models to forecast events
- ✓ GIS is not limited to any specific field, only restricted by the availability of geospatial data



# Goal & Research Direction

This research is concerned with Smart Grid reliability, specifically the reliability of the distribution system

- ✧ Since distribution systems account for up to 90 % of all customer reliability problems, improving distribution reliability is the key to improving customer reliability problems
- ✧ Main research question “How may location analytics be used to enhance Smart Grid reliability research?”





# DATA SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

The Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI's) Data Repository is the primary datasets utilized to conduct this analysis

- ✓ Access to datasets was provided as part of EPRI's Data mining initiative, an initiative that provides a test bed for data exploration and innovation and seek to solve the top challenges faced by the utility industry
- ✓ The data sets include data from advanced metering systems, supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems, geospatial information systems (GIS), outage management systems (OMS), distribution management systems (DMS), asset management systems, work management systems, customer information systems, and intelligent electronic device databases





# WEATHER DATA

- ✓ Georgia Spatial Data Infrastructure (GaSDI) and the Georgia GIS Clearinghouse is the data source for the monthly temperature and precipitation data

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- ✓ The National Oceanic and Atmospheric administration website (NOAA) is the data source for the storm events and storm details



# TOOLS USED FOR THE ANALYSIS

- ✓ ArcGIS is a scalable and secure software-as-a-service program hosted by the Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri)
- ✓ GeoDa is a free software package that conducts spatial data analysis, geo-visualization, spatial autocorrelation, and spatial modeling.
- ✓ SPSS is a the standard and most widely used software package for complex statistical analysis



# METHODOLOGY

Step 1: Loaded data files from EPRI's Data Repository along with weather data to ArcGIS

- ✓ Created a folder (geodata set) and set up local projection to use Georgia projection system.
- ✓ Imported the data files and basemaps (counties, tracks, roads, etc.) into the geodata set
- ✓ Imported 6 map layers from NOAA, 48 weather shapefiles from GaSDI and the Georgia GIS Clearinghouse into a geodatabase

# METHODOLOGY– CONT'D

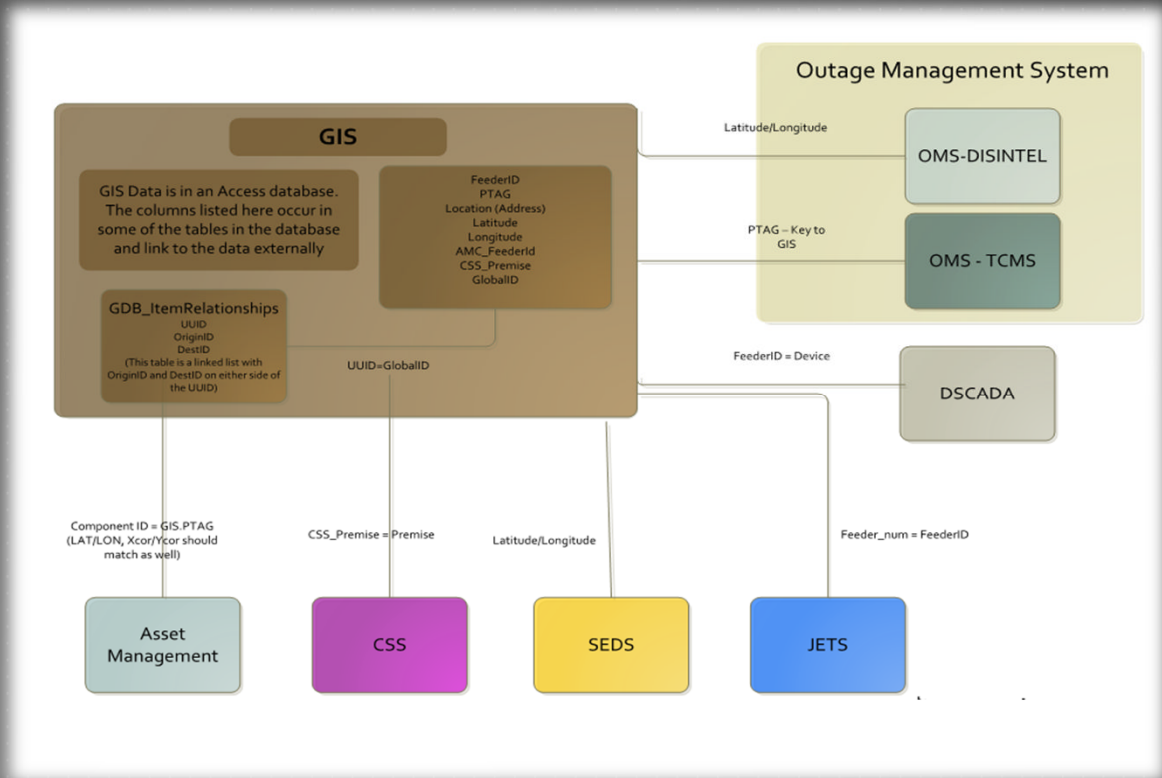
Step 2: Ran initial power outage events data exploration analyses in excel and GeoDa software.

Step 3: Merged and related various data files from EPRI's data repository in ArcGIS

- ✓ Merged outage events layers 2013, 2014, 2015 into one combined layer for the three years and linked to customers called and customers interrupted data layers
- ✓ Related the forestry data and the Asset Management data with the combined events layer

# METHODOLOGY- CONT'D

Overview of how data files are related in the GIS system



Source: EPRI's Data Repository

# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 4: Changed the projection of all maps to WGS 1984 projection system.

Step 5: Cleaned the outage events map layer

- ✓ Started with 80,839 total records in the outage events map layer attribute table
- ✓ Ended with 76,848 total records

Step 6: Defined and created a study area for throughout project.

# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 7: Created a separate dummy variable for each cause of outage and Joined tables

Step 8: Created new map layer for tree caused events by selection from the combined events layer

- ✓ Wrote a query to select all the events under cause (Wind/Tree, Limb on Line, Tree Fell on line, Tree Grew Into Line, Vines)
- ✓ Exported data into the geodatabase
- ✓ Named new map layer “Right Of Way Outage Events”

# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 9: Repeated the previous step to create additional map layers for weather related outage events, equipment failure, and System overload events.

- ✓ Weather related outage events (events under cause category Wind/Tree, Wind, Ice, Major Storm, Lightning)
- ✓ Equipment failure (events under cause category Failed in Service, Deterioration)
- ✓ System overload (events under cause category Thermal overload, Overload, Load shed)



# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 10: Used the average nearest neighbor tool to find the average distance between outage events and if events are likely to cluster in certain areas

Step 11: Calculated transformers age and joined to the transformer table in ArcGIS

Step 12: Used the Convert time field / data management tool in ArcMap to convert outage event time to day of year.

- ✓ Repeated the same step for the storm events on storm details map layer.

# METHODOLOGY— CONT'D

Convert time field  
(data management)  
tool to convert event  
time to day of year

Convert Time Field

Input Table  
StormDetails

Input Time Field  
BEGIN\_DATE\_TIME

Input Time Format  
yyyyMMddHhmmss

Locale  
01033 - English (United States) (United States)

AM Designator  
PM Designator

Output Time Field  
BEGIN\_DATE\_TIME\_Converted\_doy

Output Time Type (optional)  
TEXT

Output Time Format (optional)  
#Dy

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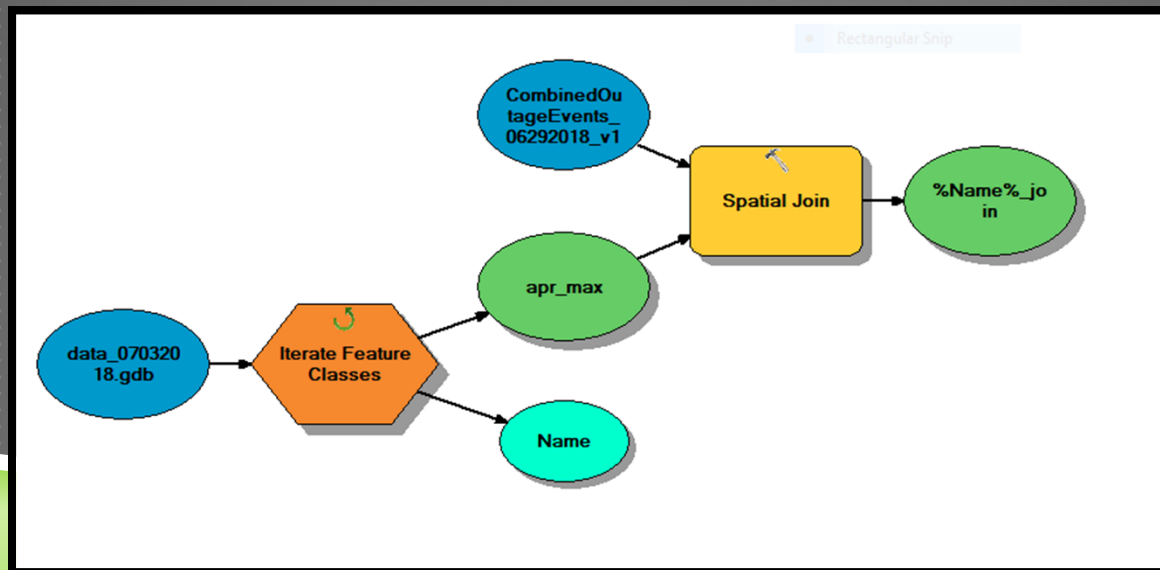
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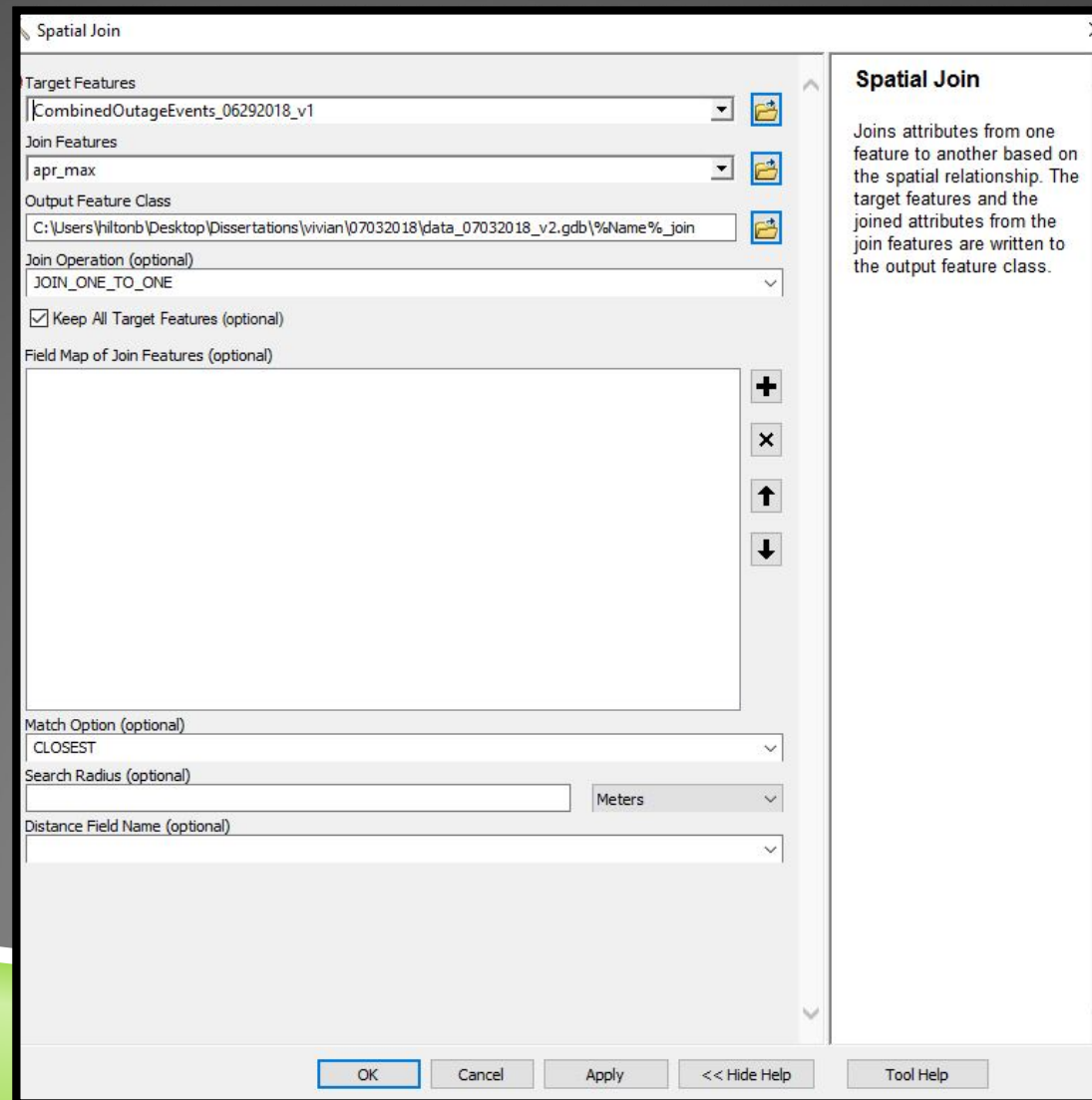
Step 13: Using ArcMap modelBuilder tool, three models were designed to spatially join the 48 map layers of weather data with the outage map layer.

- ✓ Model 1 to spatially join the outage events with the weather data.



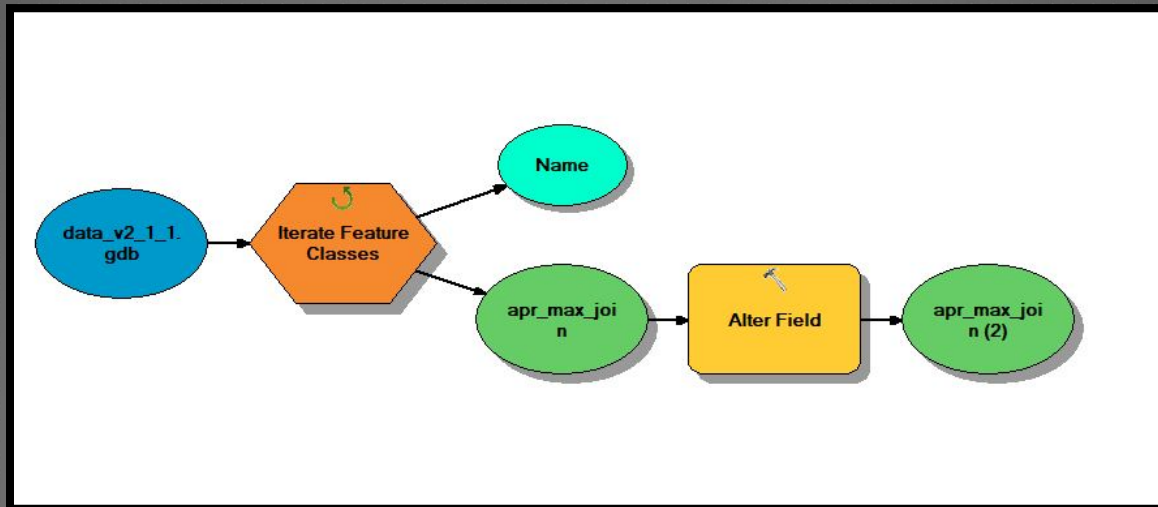
# METHODOLOGY— CONT'D

Spatial join tool to join the outage events with the closest contour data from the weather file



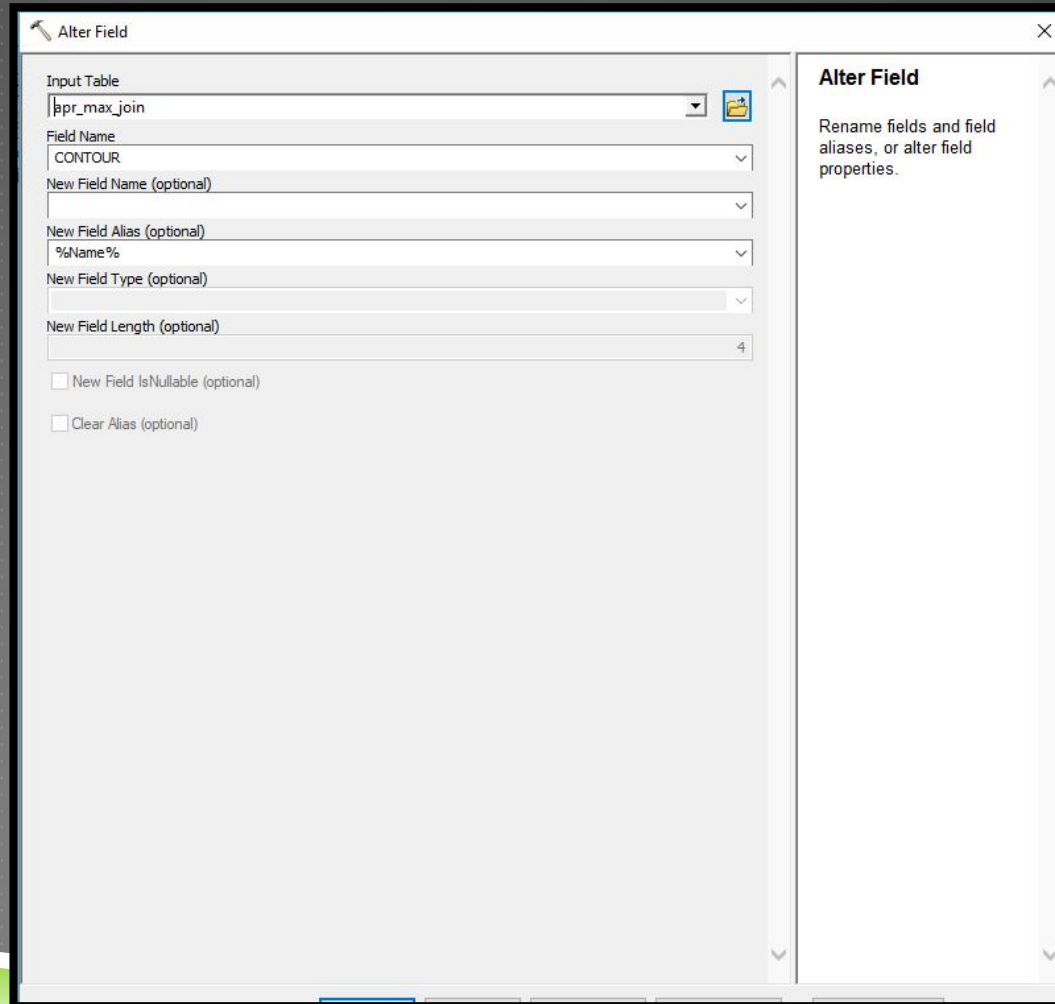
# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Model 2 to rename the output field (contour field) from model 1 using the alter tool to reflect the month and the type of weather data.



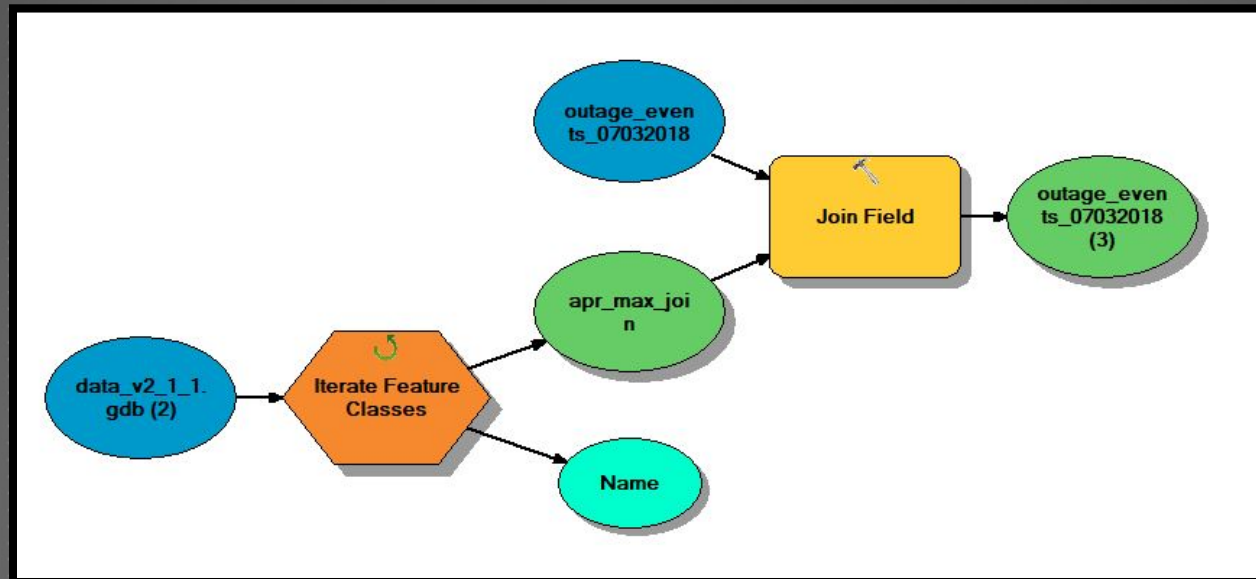
# METHODOLOGY– CONT'D

The alter tool to rename the contour field to reflect the month and the type of weather data



# METHODOLOGY– CONT'D

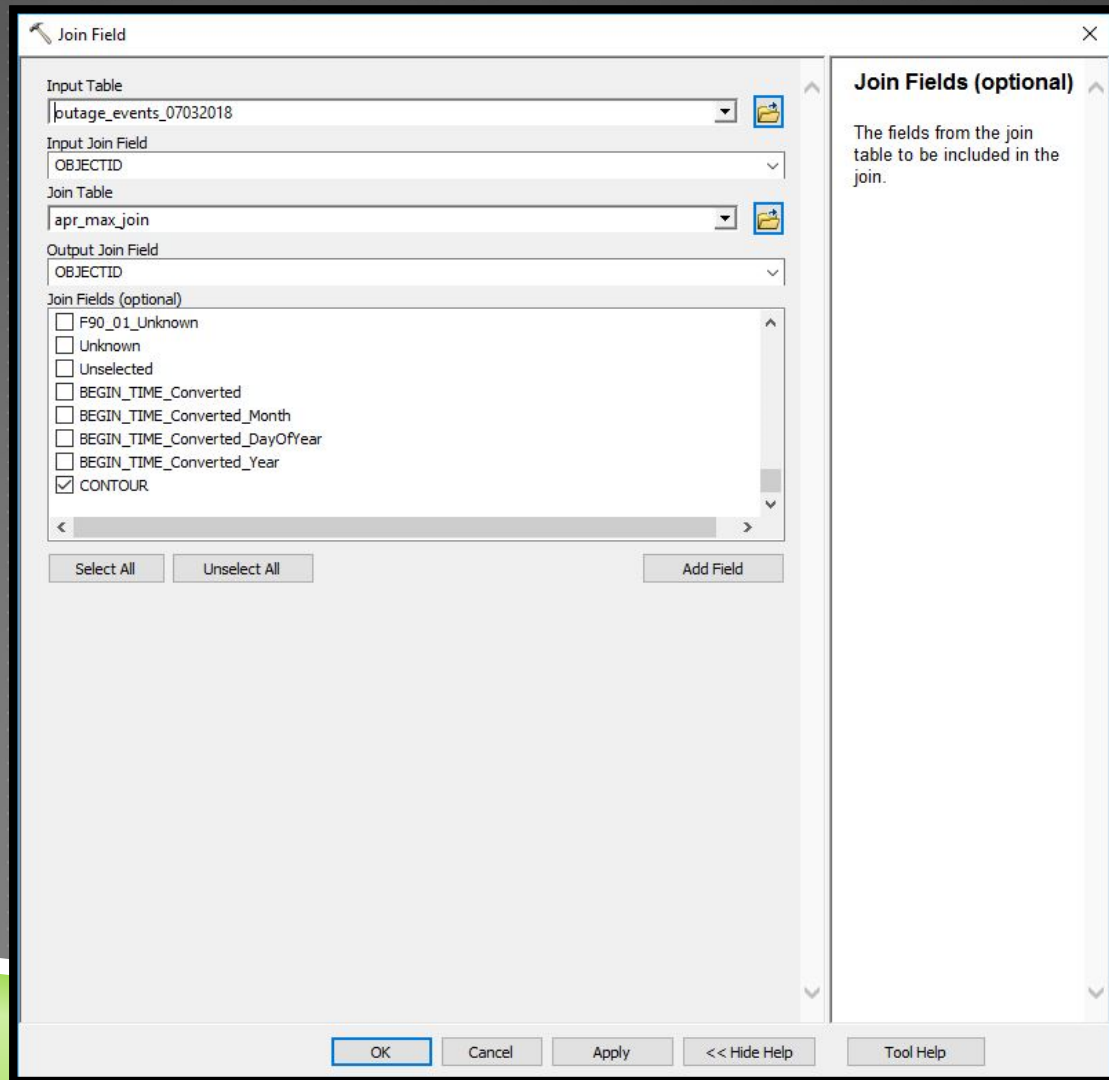
Model 3 used the join field tool to join the outage events data with the 48 fields of weather data.





# METHODOLOGY– CONT'D

The join field tool to join the outage events data with the 48 fields of weather data



# METHODOLOGY– CONT'D

The Outage events attribute table with the additional 48 columns of weather data (Monthly Max, Min, Average Temperature and Precipitation).

The screenshot shows the ArcMap interface with a table of outage events. The table has 9 columns: jun\_min\_join, jun\_ppt\_join, mar\_max\_join, mar\_mean\_join, mar\_min\_join, mar\_ppt\_join, may\_max\_join, may\_mean\_join, and may\_min\_join. The data is organized in rows, with each row representing an outage event and its associated weather data for June, March, and May.

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	65	3.9	63.75	52.75	41.5	5.5	81.75	70.5	59
	65.75	3.8	64	53	41.5	5.6	80.75	70	58.75
	64.5	3.8	65	53.25	41.25	5.6	81.25	69.25	57.5
	65.25	3.8	63.5	52.5	40.75	5.6	79.25	68.5	57.25
	65.5	3.9	63.5	52.75	41.75	5.5	83	71.75	60.25
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# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 14: Used the Merged and related additional data files in ArcGIS

- ✓ Added four additional columns to the outage map attribute table to show the weather data for each outage event.
- ✓ Joined by date the storm events with the outage events.
- ✓ Joined the storm events details with the outage events.
- ✓ Joined the outage events with the forestry file.

# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 14: Used the Merged and related additional data files in ArcGIS

- ✓ Added a field “Adjusted\_TransfAge” and a field “Adjusted\_PoleAge - Used Field Calculator to calculate the difference between the outage event year and the year the equipment was installed or modified.
- ✓ Added columns to show “Forestry Expected Pruning Man Hours”, “Average Climbing Tree Pruning Miles”, “Actual Pruning Man Hours/Circuit Mileage”.

# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

Step 15: Conducted exploration and correlation analysis In SPSS - Prior to statistical analyses, the following steps were taken to prepare the data:

- ✓ For variables forestry expected pruning man hours, average climbing tree pruning miles, and actual pruning man hours / circuit mile , a value of zero (0) was input for missing data.
- ✓ Values for transformer age was substituted for missing data on pole age.

# METHODOLOGY– *CONT'D*

## Step 16: Ran Optimized hotspot analysis In ArcGIS

- ✓ When the Input Feature is power outage events data and you do not identify an Analysis Field, the tool will aggregate the power outage events and the outage events counts will serve as the values to be analyzed. - one level of analysis.
- ✓ Another level of analysis is when you provide an Analysis field.

# METHODOLOGY— CONT'D

Optimized  
hotspot  
analysis In  
ArcGIS

Optimized Hot Spot Analysis

Input Features  
07262018OutageEvents

Output Features  
C:\GIS\GISDATA\GISMODEL\jb\jb.gdb\OptHotSpot

Analysis Field (optional)

Incident Data Aggregation Method (optional)  
COUNT\_INCIDENTS\_WITHIN\_FISHNET\_POLYGONS

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Polygons For Aggregating Incidents Into Counts (optional)

Density Surface (optional)

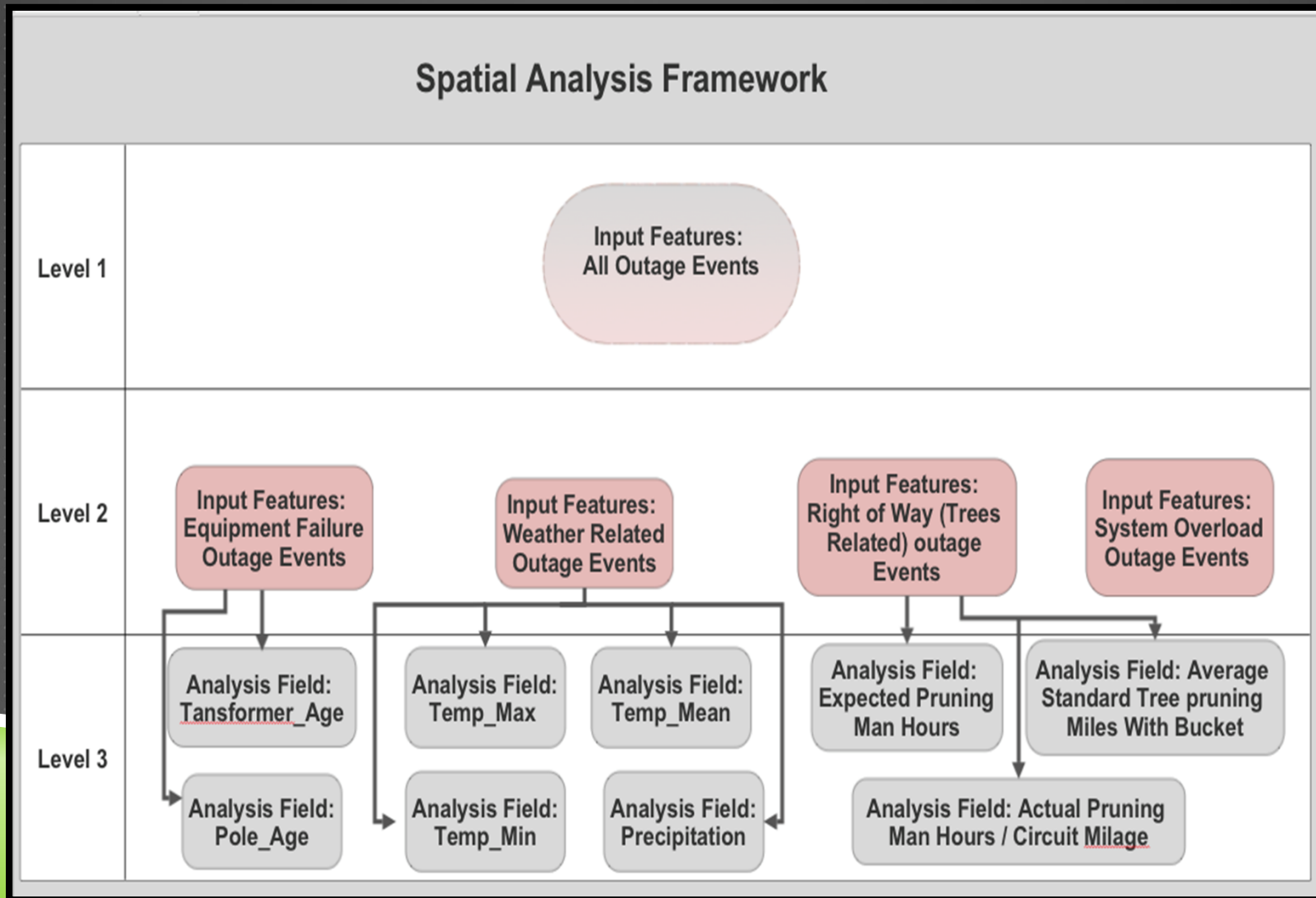
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Optimized Hot Spot Analysis

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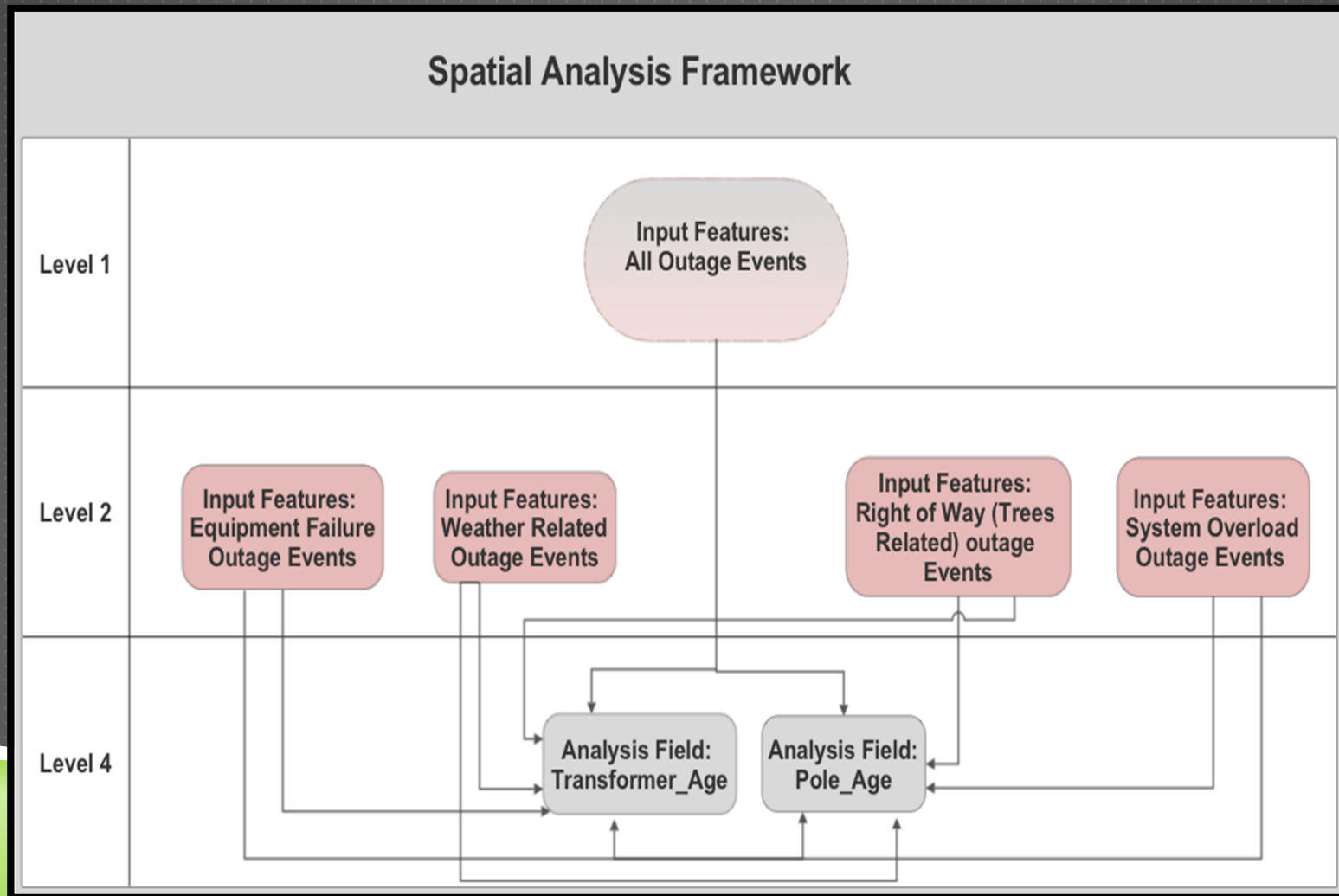
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# METHODOLOGY- CONT'D





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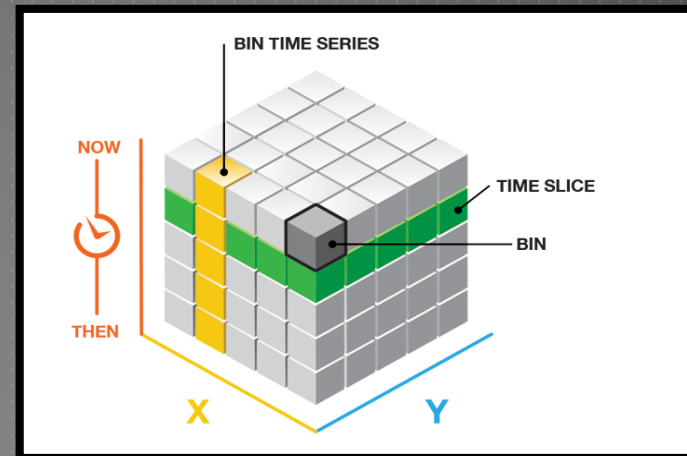


# METHODOLOGY– CONT'D

Step 17: Ran Emerging Hot Spot Analysis In ArcGIS - Two Steps processes

- ✓ Create Space Time Cube By Aggregating Points.
- ✓ Run the Emerging Hot Spot analysis.

This tool aggregates point Input Features into space-time bins



# METHODOLOGY— CONT'D

## Emerging Hot Spot Analysis In ArcGIS

The screenshot displays the 'Emerging Hot Spot Analysis' tool interface. The main panel on the left contains the following settings:

- Input Space Time Cube:** C:\GIS\GISDATA\data\_08012018\EventsCube 1month.nc
- Analysis Variable:** COUNT
- Output Features:** C:\GIS\GISDATA\GISMODEL\jb\jb.gdb\EmergingHotSpot\_AllOutageEventsV2
- Neighborhood Distance (optional):** [Empty field]
- Neighborhood Time Step (optional):** 1 (slider range from 1 to 24)
- Polygon Analysis Mask (optional):** [Empty field]

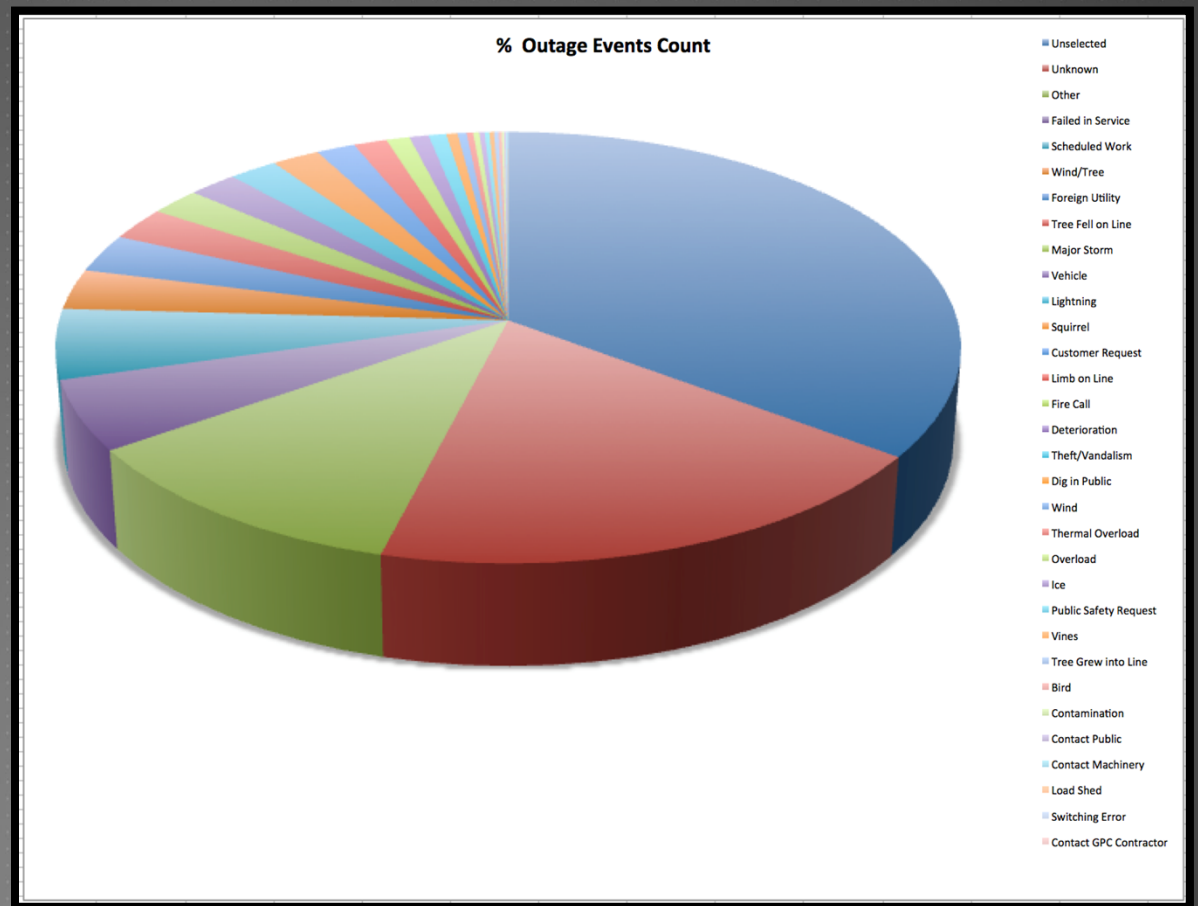
The right-hand panel, titled 'Emerging Hot Spot Analysis', provides a description of the tool's function:

Identifies trends in the clustering of point densities (counts) or summary fields in a space-time cube created using the Create Space Time Cube By Aggregating Points tool. Categories include new, consecutive, intensifying, persistent, diminishing, sporadic, oscillating, and historical hot and cold spots.

Below the text, a diagram illustrates the process. It shows a 3D space-time cube with X, Y, and Z axes. A blue arrow points down to a 2D grid representing the resulting hot spot analysis, with cells colored in blue, red, and white to indicate different categories.

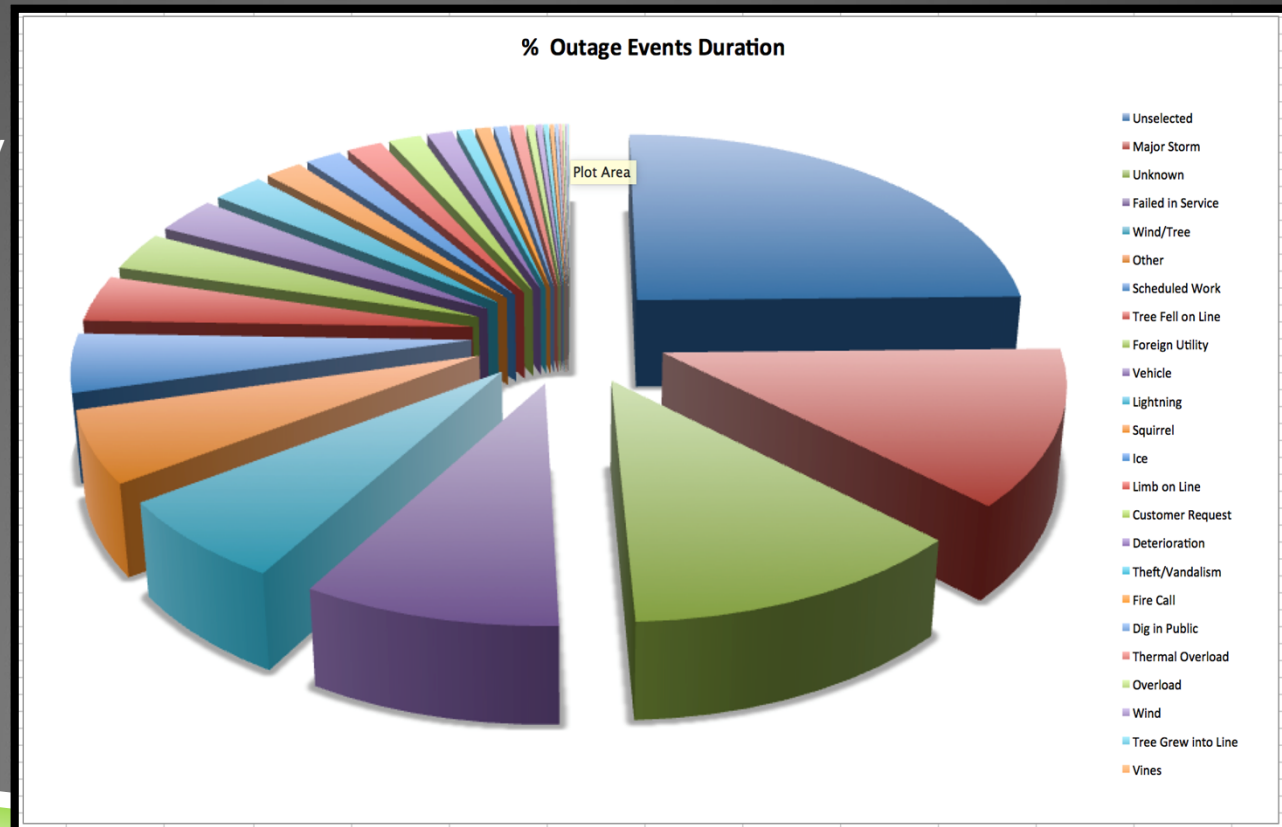
# ANALYSES AND FINDING

Reported Power  
Outage Events  
Percent Count by  
Cause



# ANALYSES AND FINDING

Reported Power  
Outage Duration by  
Cause



# ANALYSES AND FINDING

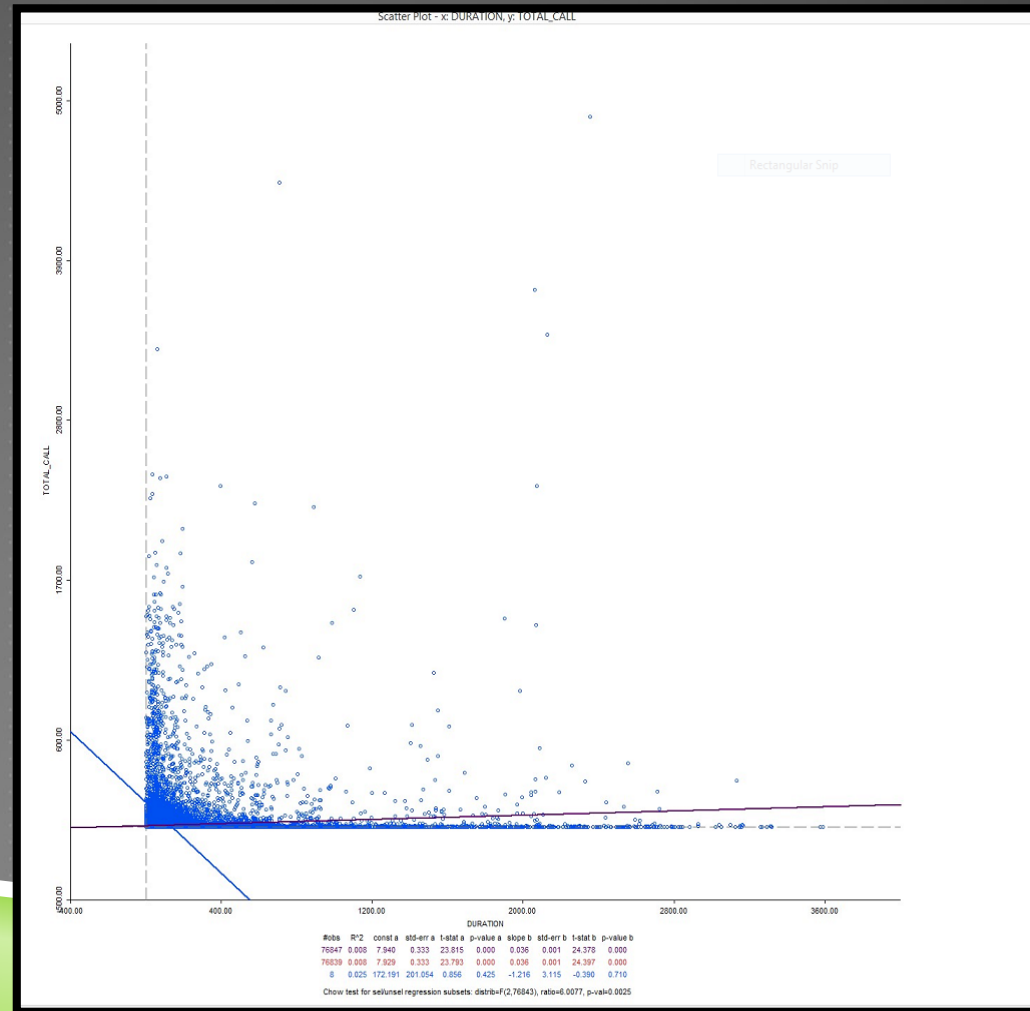


Underscored  
Power Outage  
Cause  
Category

Outage Cause Category	Percent Of Outage Events Count	Percent Of Total Outage Events Duration
<b>Failed in Service</b>	5.26%	8.99%
<b>Deterioration</b>	0.77%	1.20%
<b>Wind/Tree</b>	3.03%	6.67%
<b>Wind</b>	0.36%	0.30%
<b>Ice</b>	0.21%	1.70%
<b>Major Storm</b>	2.04%	12.53%
<b>Lightning</b>	1.96%	2.44%
<b>Limb on Line</b>	1.34%	1.69%
<b>Tree Fell on Line</b>	2.47%	3.76%
<b>Tree Grew into Line</b>	0.18%	0.23%
<b>Thermal Overload</b>	0.26%	0.63%
<b>Overload</b>	0.25%	0.36%
<b>Load Shed</b>	0.01%	0.01%
<b>Total Cause Contribution</b>	18.13%	40.51%

# ANALYSES AND FINDING

Scatter Plot of the duration and total calls of the outage events



# ANALYSES AND FINDING

## Descriptive Statistics

### *Percentages and Frequencies, Study Variables*

	Frequency	Percent
<b>Storm event</b>		
Yes	59078	76.9%
No	17769	23.1%
<b>Forestry management</b>		
Yes	47175	61.4%
No	29672	38.6%
<i>n</i>	76847	100.0%



# ANALYSES AND FINDING

## Descriptive Statistics

### *Means and Standard Deviations, Study Variables*

Variable	M	SD	Min	Max
Outage event duration	89.15	204.81	0	3589
Outage event customer calls	11.18	85.07	0	4888
Temperature (mean)	62.52	13.72	40.25	80.75
Precipitation	4.29	0.66	2.8	5.8000002
Forestry expected pruning man hours	858.01	882.24	0	3300
Average standard tree pruning miles with bucket	6.63	6.48	0	20.4898
Average mechanical tree pruning miles	3.00	2.94	0	9.2784
Average climbing tree pruning miles	0.75	0.73	0	2.3196
Actual pruning man hours / circuit mile	42.18	36.80	0	157
Transformer age	4.50	1.86	3	8
Pole age	23.90	16.76	3	93

*Note:* n=76847.



# ANALYSES AND FINDING

## Correlation Results

Variables	1	2	3	4	5	6	7							
1	1.00													
2	0.09	**	1.00											
3	0.08	**	0.01	1.00										
4	-0.13	**	0.01	0.14	**	1.00								
5	0.08	**	0.00	-0.06	**	-0.37	**							
6	0.01		-0.02	**	-0.01	0.00	-0.03	**						
7	0.01	**	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.02	**	0.77	**	1.00				
8	0.01	**	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.02	**	0.81	**	0.96	**			
9	0.01	**	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.02	**	0.81	**	0.96	**			
10	0.01	**	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.02	**	0.81	**	0.96	**			
11	0.01	*	-0.01	**	-0.01	-0.01	**	-0.02	**	0.91	**	0.85	**	
12	0.01	*	0.01	**	0.01	**	0.00	0.02	**	-0.13	**	-0.11	**	
13	0.02	**	-0.01	**	0.02	**	-0.01	**	0.03	**	0.02	**	0.04	**

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| 6. Forestry management (1=yes)                     |   |
| 7. Forestry expected pruning man hours             |   |
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## Correlation Results

Variables	8	9	10	11	12	13
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8	1.00					
9	1.00	1.00				
10	1.00	**	1.00	1.00		
11	0.79	**	0.79	**	0.79	**
12	-0.12	**	-0.12	**	-0.12	**
13	0.03	**	0.03	**	0.03	**

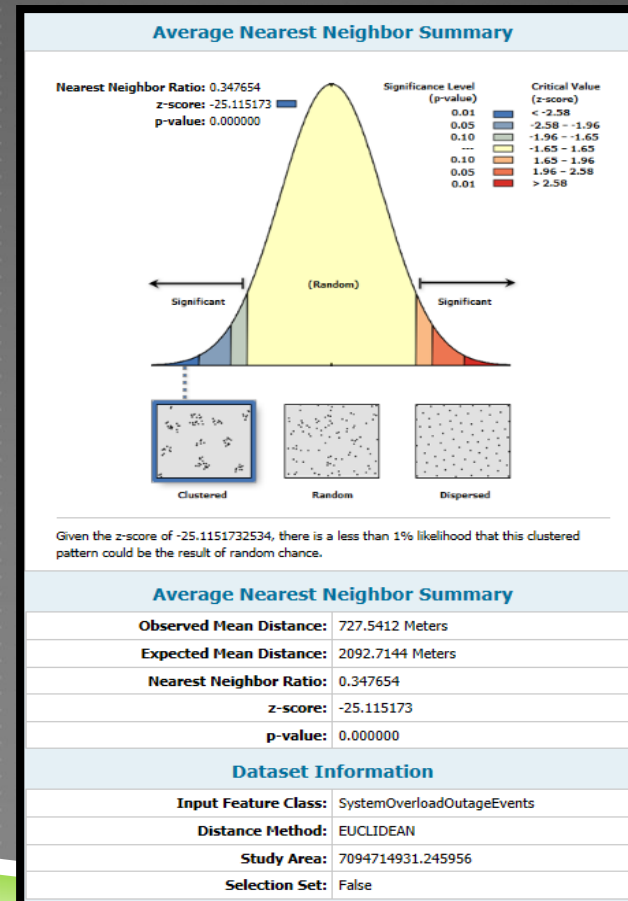
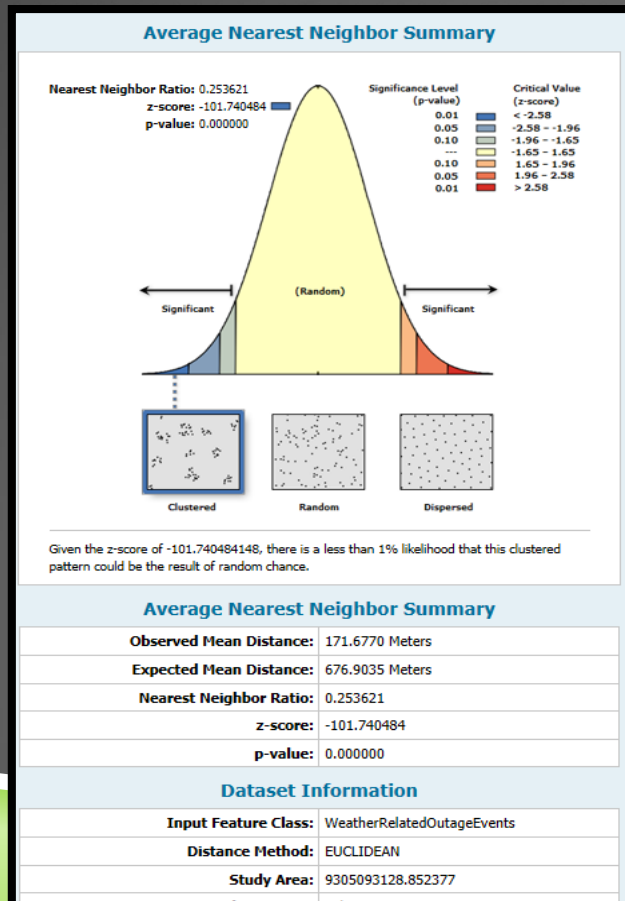
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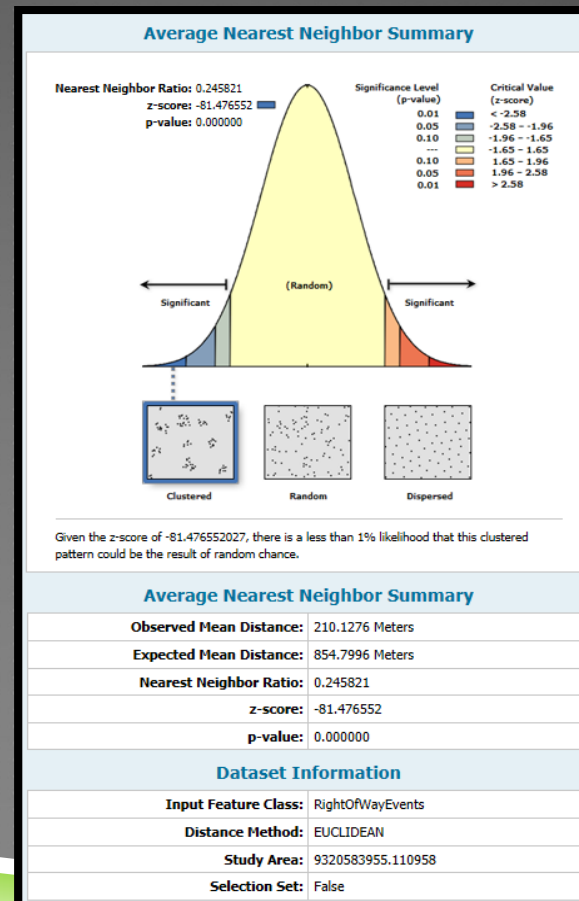
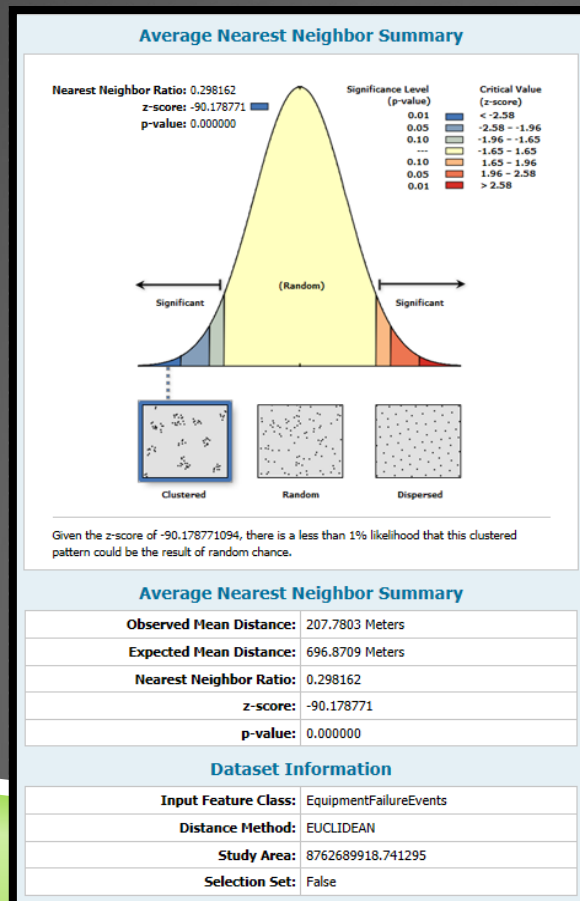
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## Spatial Pattern Analysis in ArcGIS



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## Optimized Hot Spot Analysis Level 1

Using a polygon cell size of 1319.0000 Meters  
The aggregation process resulted in 1296 weighted polygons.

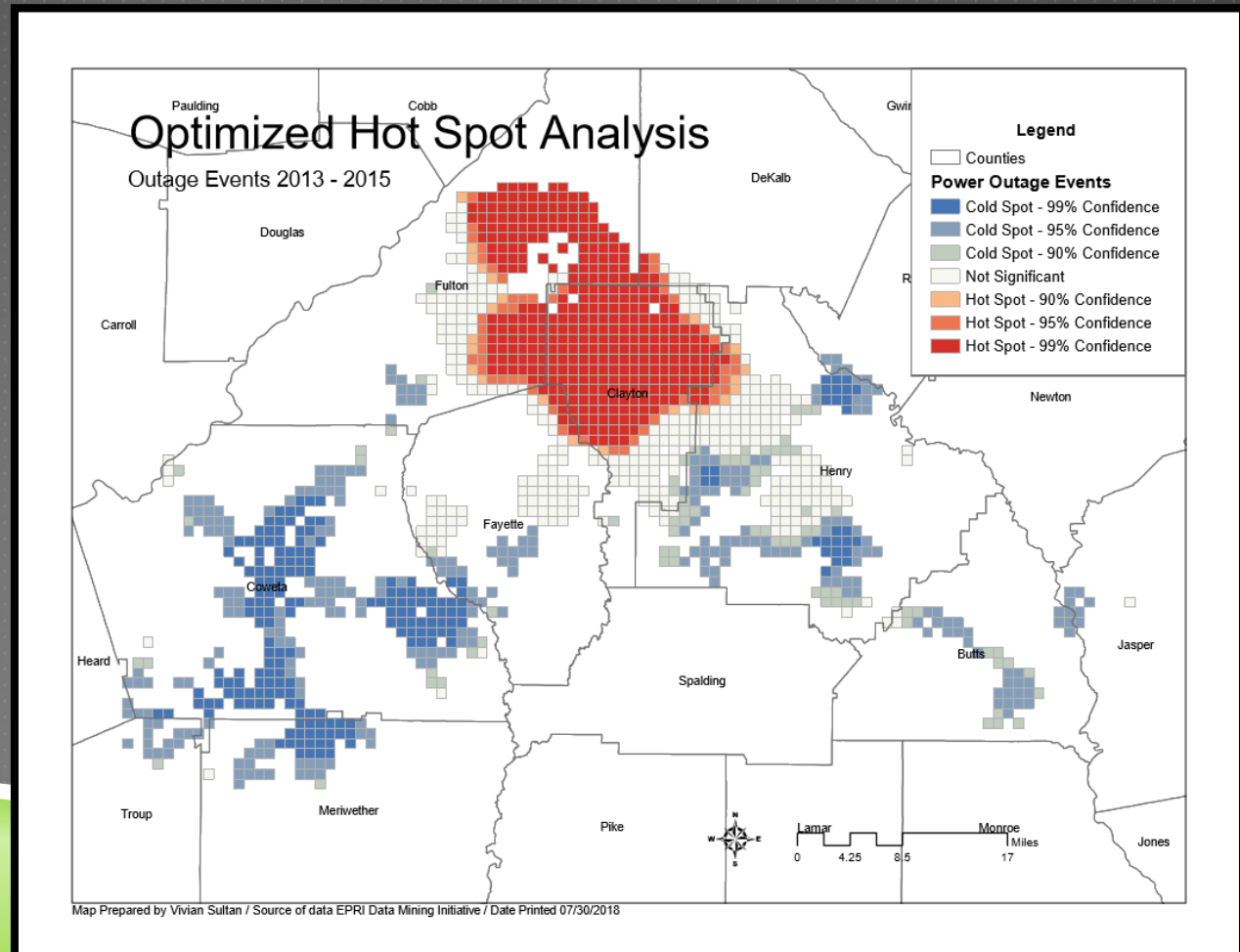
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Max: 598.0000  
Mean:

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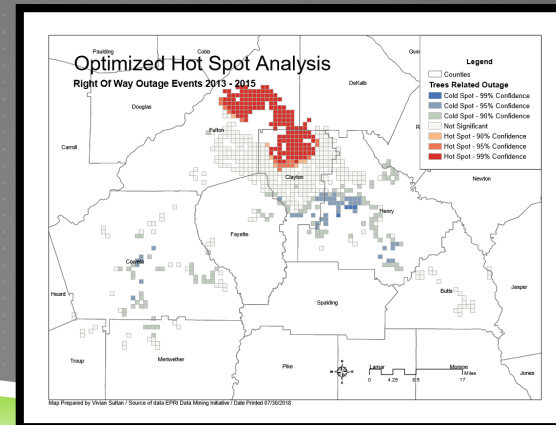
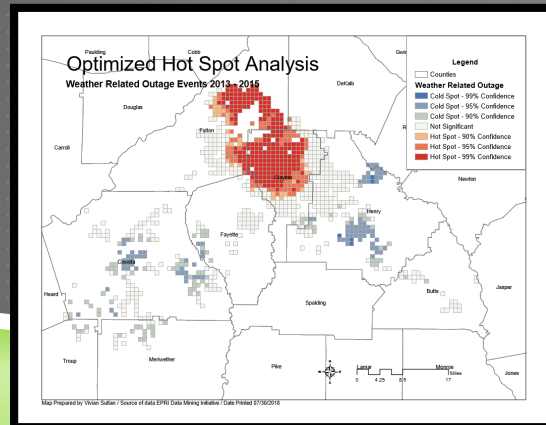
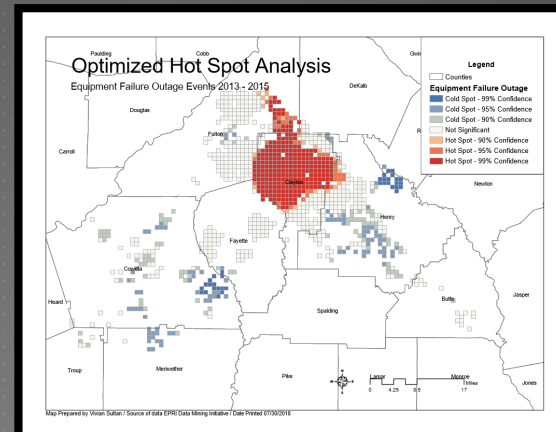
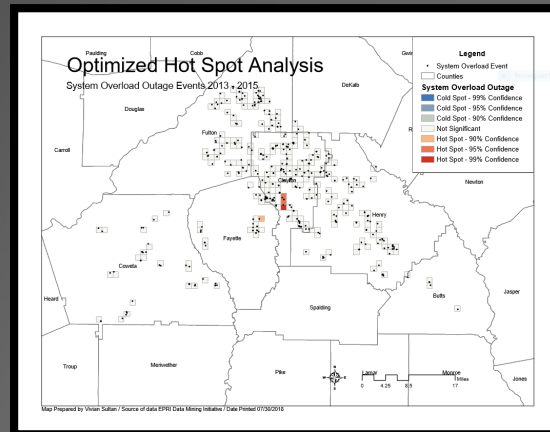
Std. Dev.:

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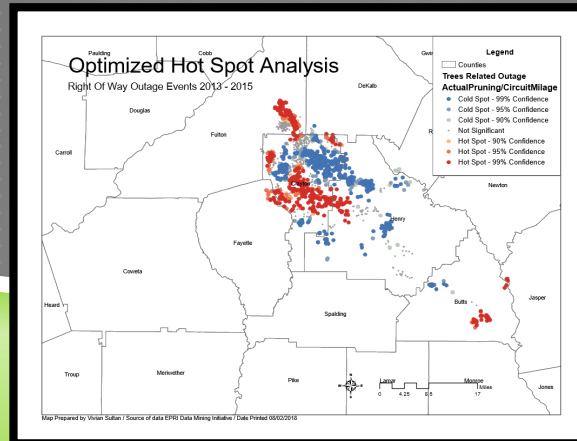
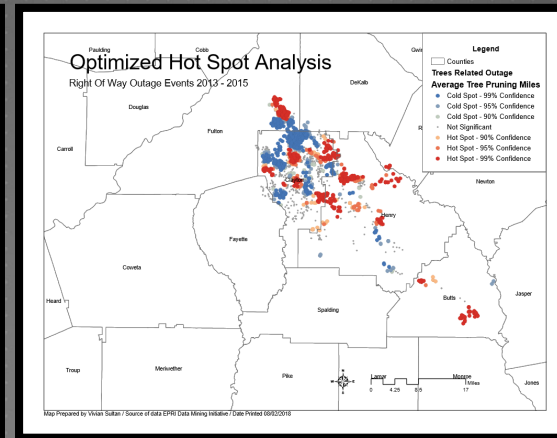
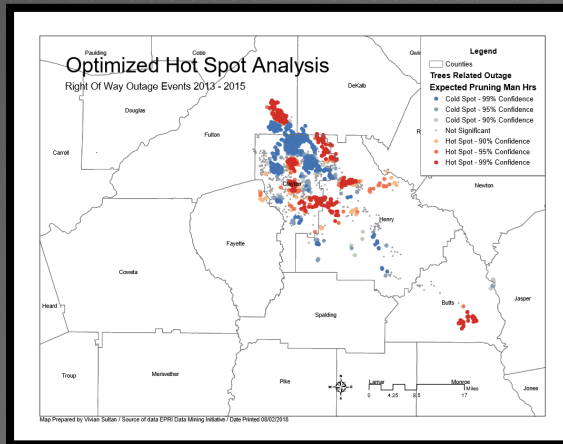
## Optimized Hot Spot Analysis Level 2



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## Optimized Hot Spot Analysis Level 3

Input Features: Right Of Way (Trees Related) Outage Events

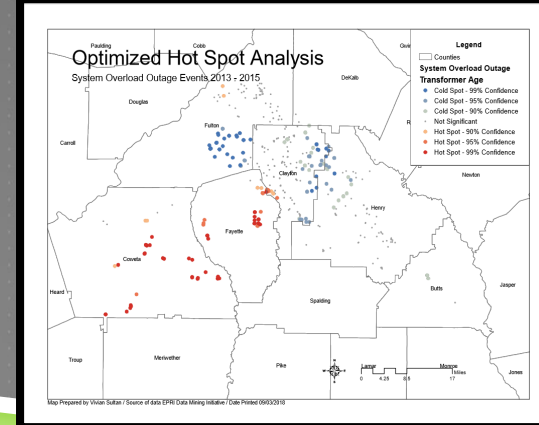
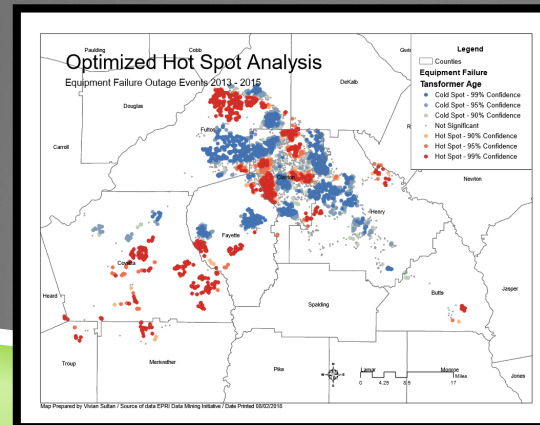
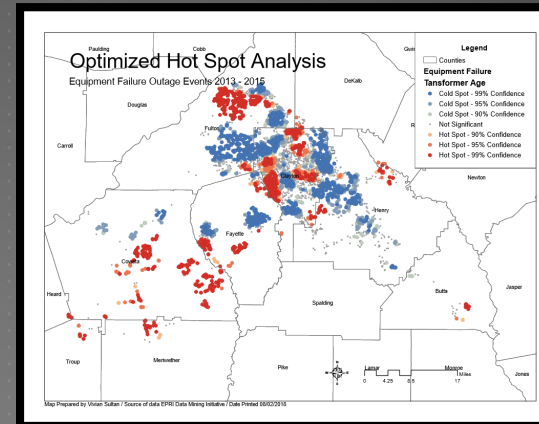
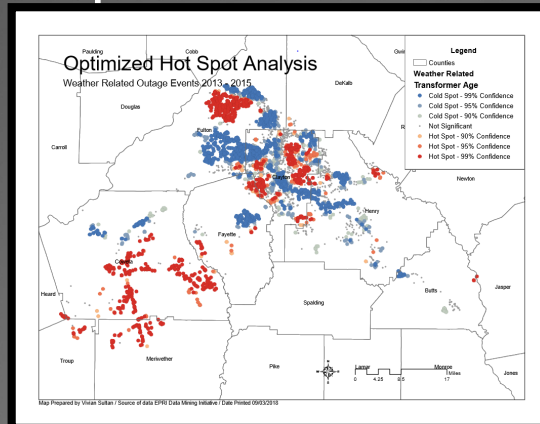




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## Optimized Hot Spot Analysis Level 4 - Transformer Age Analysis Map Output

Hot spots mainly in Counties where statistically significant clusters of high Transformer Age values can be found



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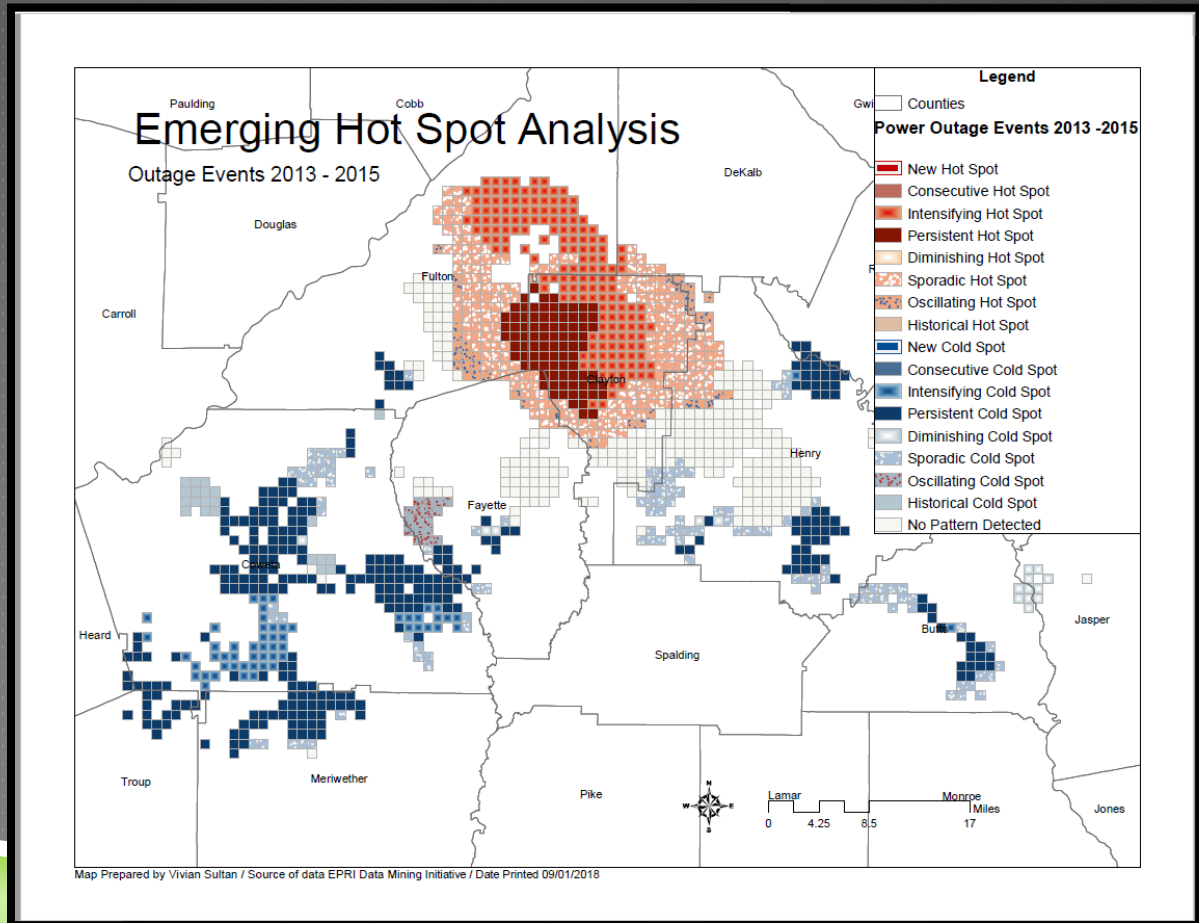
## Emerging Hot Spot Analysis Level 1

Time step interval  
1 month

Number of space-  
time bins analyzed  
41472

----- Analysis Summary of Results -----

	HOT	COLD
New	0	0
Consecutive	0	0
Intensifying	169	57
Persistent	86	298
Diminishing	0	16
Sporadic	227	113
Oscillating	37	17
Historical	0	21



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## Emerging Hot Spot Pattern Type Definition

**New Hot Spot:** A location that is a statistically significant hot spot for the final time step and has never been a statistically significant hot spot before.

**Consecutive Hot Spot:** A location with a single uninterrupted run of statistically significant hot spot bins in the final time-step intervals. The location has never been a statistically significant hot spot prior to the final hot spot run and less than ninety percent of all bins are statistically significant hot spots.

**Intensifying Hot Spot:** A location that has been a statistically significant hot spot for ninety percent of the time-step intervals, including the final time step. In addition, the intensity of clustering of high counts in each time step is increasing overall and that increase is statistically significant.

**Persistent Hot Spot:** A location that has been a statistically significant hot spot for ninety percent of the time-step intervals with no discernible trend indicating an increase or decrease in the intensity of clustering over time.

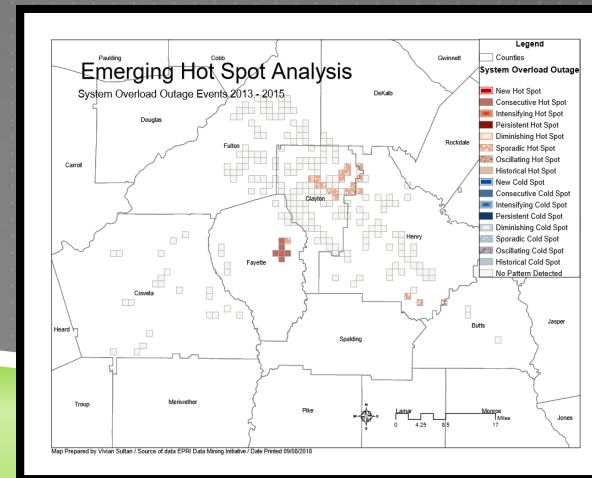
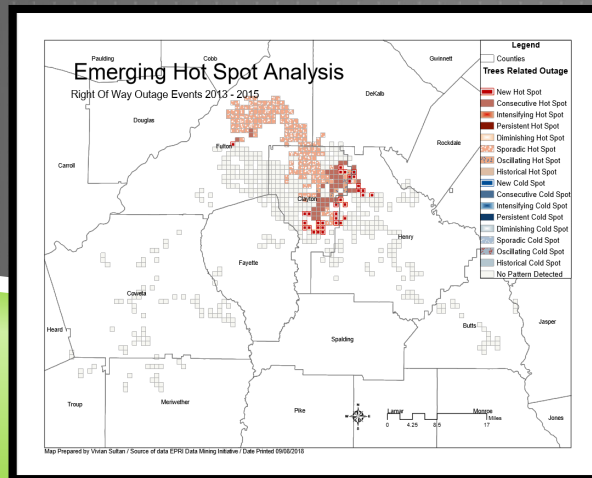
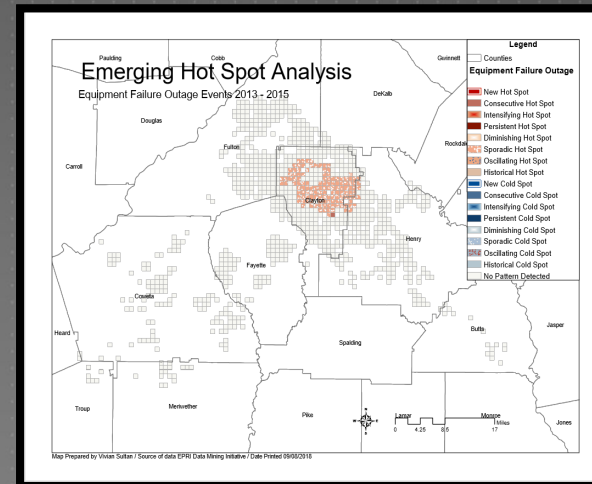
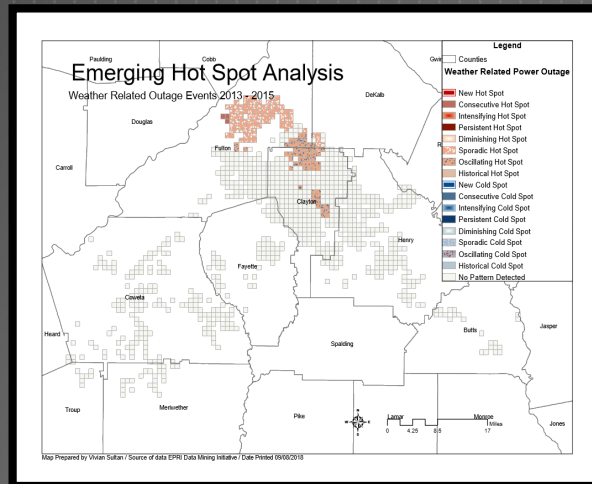
**Diminishing Hot Spot:** A location that has been a statistically significant hot spot for ninety percent of the time-step intervals, including the final time step. In addition, the intensity of clustering in each time step is decreasing overall and that decrease is statistically significant.

**Sporadic Hot Spot:** A location that is an on-again then off-again hot spot. Less than ninety percent of the time-step intervals have been statistically significant hot spots and none of the time-step intervals have been statistically significant cold spots.

**Oscillating Hot Spot:** A statistically significant hot spot for the final time-step interval that has a history of also being a statistically significant cold spot during a prior time step. Less than ninety percent of the time-step intervals have been statistically significant hot spots.

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## Emerging Hot Spot Analysis Level 2



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## Emerging Hot Spot Analysis Results

- ✓ Right of way (Trees Related) outages has the highest number of locations with hot trends (259 total count of locations)
  - Include the 40 consecutive locations with a single uninterrupted run of statistically significant hot spots - The utility company can use this information to reduce the risk of wildfire and keep customers safe.
- ✓ Weather Related outages (160 locations with hot trends )
  - Considering the availability of weather forecasts, this analysis can help a utility firm prepare should a storm is anticipated.
- ✓ Equipment Failure outage (129 locations with hot trends )
- ✓ System Overhead (27 count of locations with hot trends)

# Conclusion

GIS offers a solution to analyze the electric grid distribution system. My model provides evidence that GIS can perform the analysis to investigate power failure events and their causes.

GIS can be a main resource of assistance for electronic inspection systems, to lower the duration of customer outages, improve crew response time, and reduce labor and overtime costs.

