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Stella?

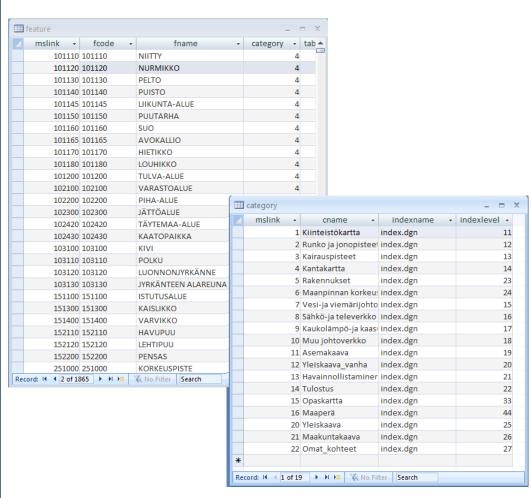
- Stella has been the primary MicroStation mapping environment in Finland since early 90's
- 70+ user organizations
 - starting from Helsinki City ending to Pohja municipality with 4800 inhabitants
- 1500+ Stella users all over the country
- Stella was based on Bentley Geographics and a lot of MDL code and INI files controlling the feature setup and GUI
 - own feature administrator, map management, plotting, import/export
 - feature properties stored as DGN User Data (API available)
- Limited Oracle Spatial functionality using Geographics iSpatial since 2001
 Bentley

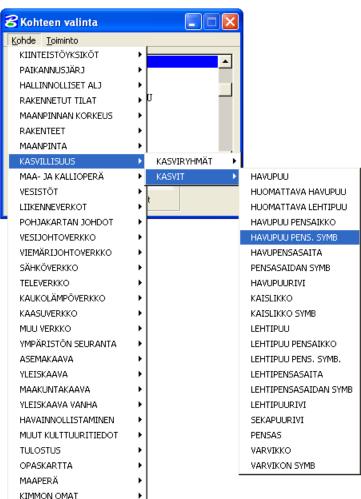
Stella?

- Feature definitions for
 - 3D base map 1:500-1:1000
 - transportation networks
 - terrain and elevation data
 - cadastre data
 - planning in 3 levels regional, general and detailed
 - simple 2D/3D detail plan visualization
 - underground utility networks
 - guide/street map
 - National Land Survey topographic map 1:20000
 - . . . all together 27 different themes



Stella?

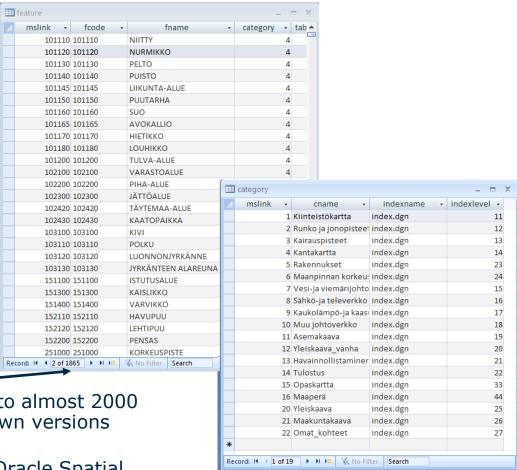






Why migrate - basics for the project in 2006

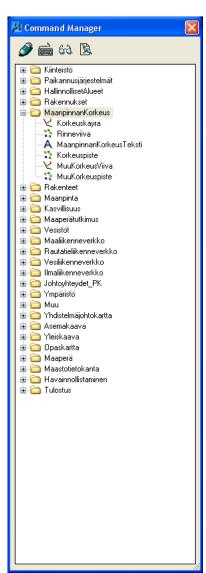
- No real advantage of the developing MicroStation platform taken – basically same product since mid 90's
- Outdated GUI
- New Bentley Mapping platform was coming and our Finnish Stella resources were developing it – so we knew what was coming
- National base map and city plan data transfer / harmonization was under development (WFS, WMS, GML)
- Stella feature model had grown into almost 2000 features with a lot of customer's own versions
- Stella was DGN based need for Oracle Spatial data (core GIS objects)





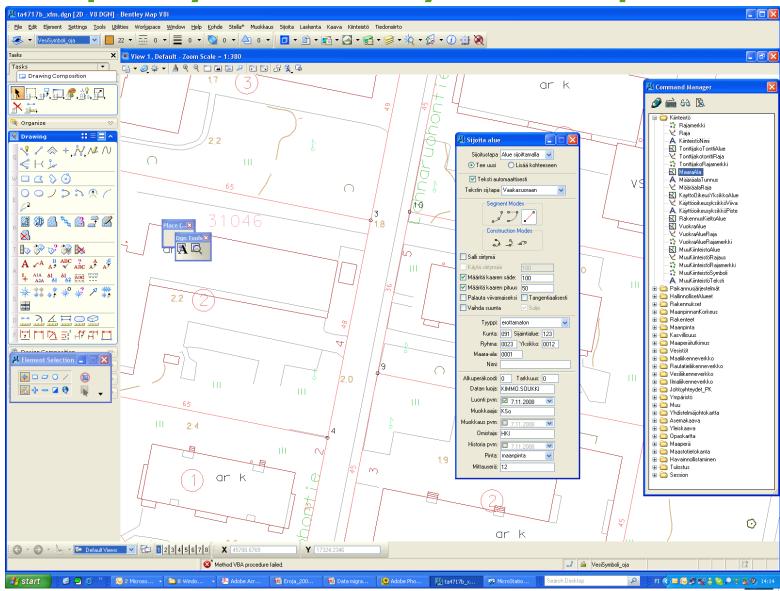
Completely new Bentley Stella Map

- Based on
 - Old Stella "ideology" and principals
 - MicroStation XM (8.9.x.x)
 - Bentley Map
 - Bentley Cadastre (topology)
- Down to 230 features due to the property based symbology
- Intelligence in 405 domain lists and 1723 criterias and VBA code
- A very important part of the solution is in one XML file = XFM schema

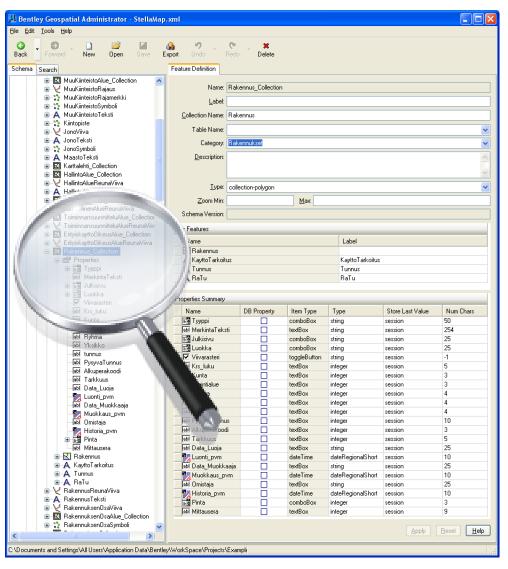




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Bentley Stella Map – application core

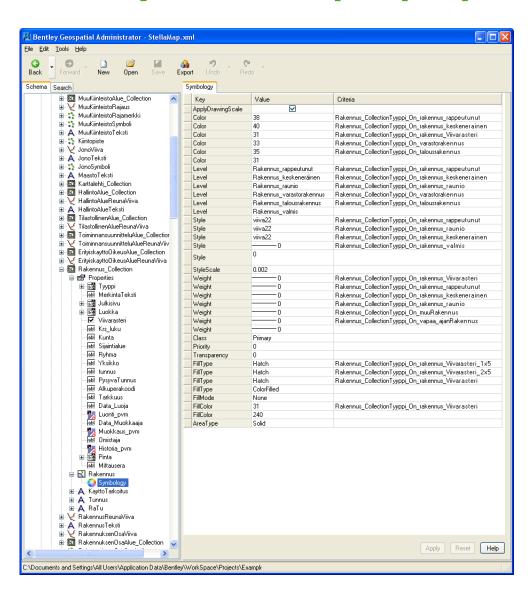




- From single features to features with rich property definition
- Tyyppi = Type is the most important one



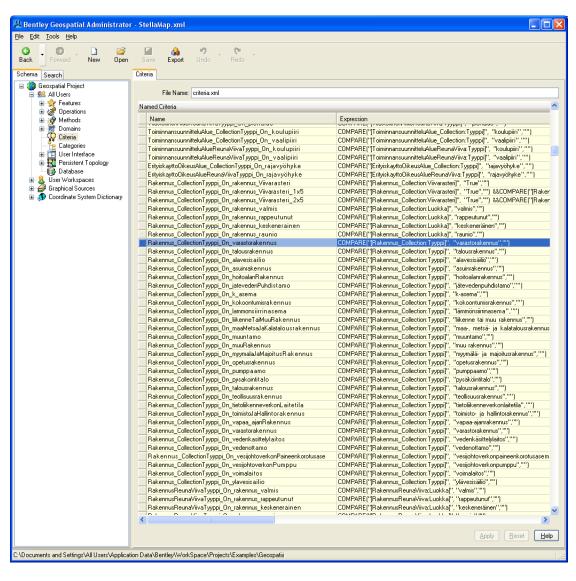
Bentley Stella Map - property based control



- Large set of criterias define the feature behavior
 - color, level, linestyle, weight, ...



Bentley Stella Map - criteria

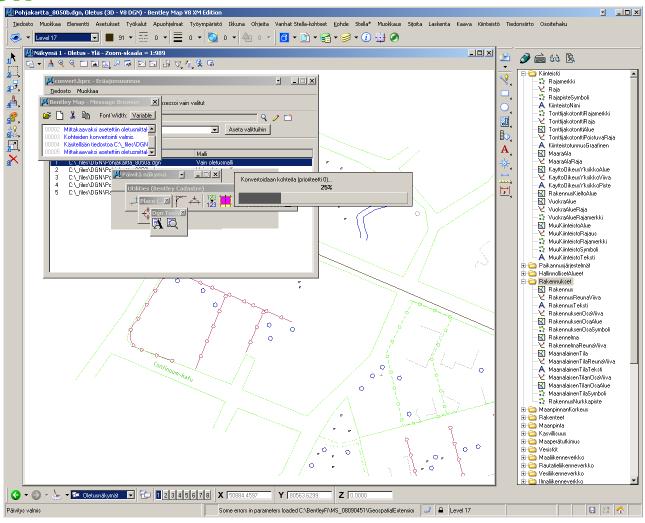


- Set of property value comparisons
- Are "recycled" to define several feature symbologies and other behavior and also application behavior



Data migration

- One time file based batch conversion
- Based on Stella INI and Stella Map XFM feature schema and conversion setup file
- Conversion setup defines feature naming, property value handling = supporting new property based symbology in Bentley (Stella) Map

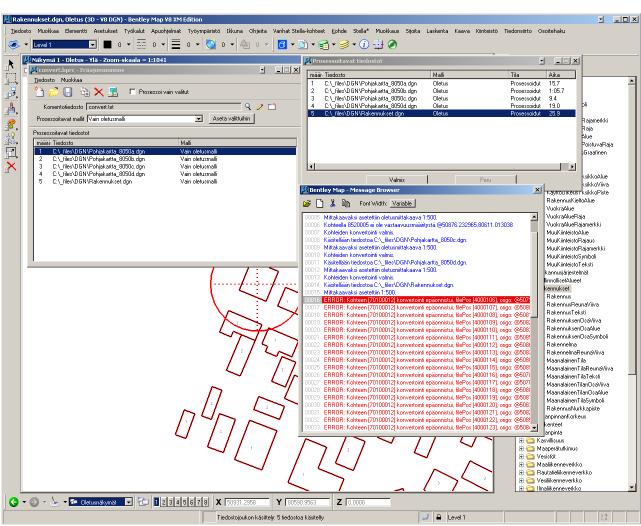


 Supports new national feature schemas (KuntaGML) having multiple graphics types for features, point, line area, etc.



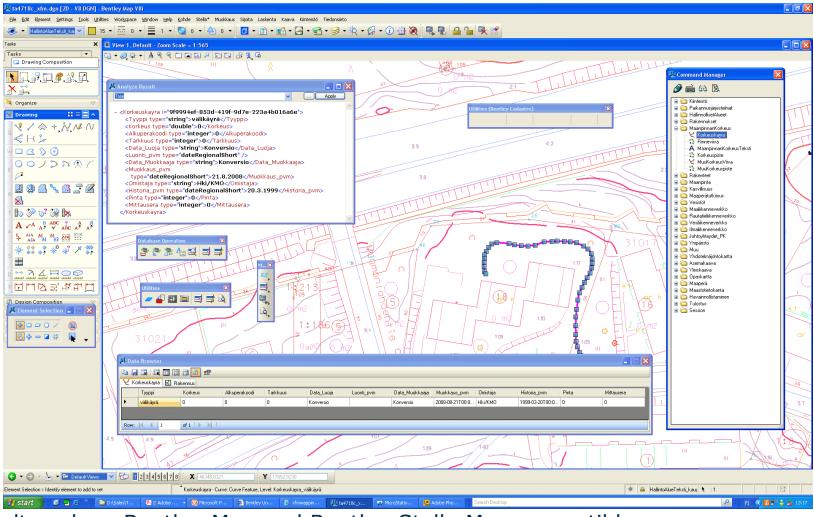
Data migration

- Data quality control (national harmonization) is important
- Unmatched feature data stored in LOG file -> possibility to correct and re-run
- Typical problems with DGN and feature definition mismatch like wrong level, wrong DGN element type etc.





Data migration



 Result = clean Bentley Map and Bentley Stella Map compatible data

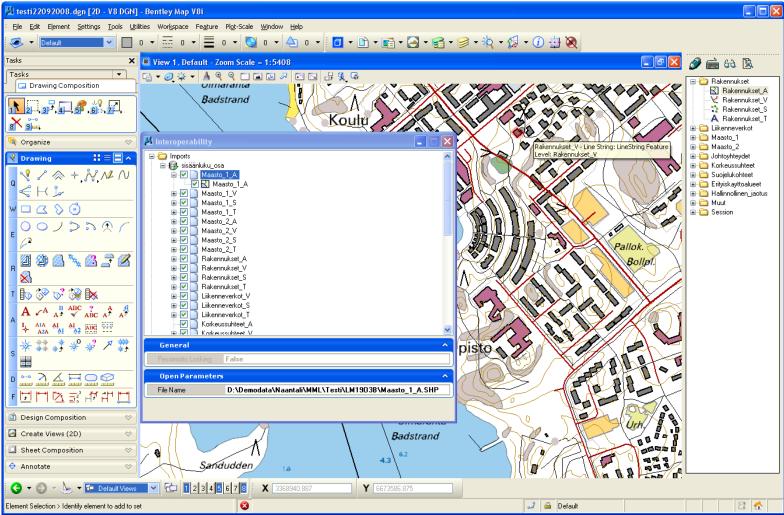


Bentley Map – bonuses for Stella Map

- Support for import and export formats Oracle Spatial, Shape and Mapinfo
- Topology model ideal for cadastre data
 - Finnish cadastre model is NLS centralized but maintained by municipalities who used to have their own cadastre systems
- Coordinate systems support
- Spatial analysis
- MicroStation V8i
 - GPS support
 - Google Earth integration
- Oracle Spatial support 2-tier and 3-tier with Geospatial Server



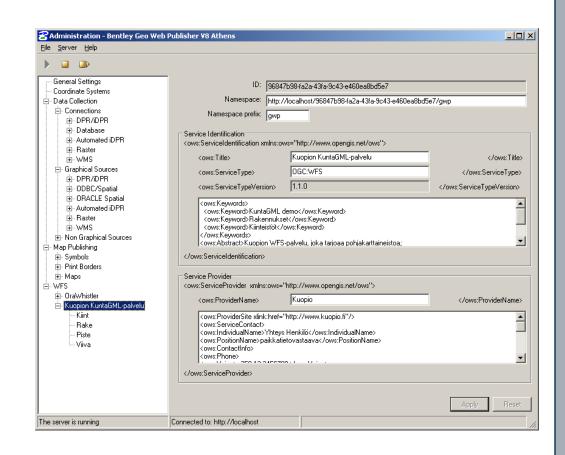
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 National Land Survey topographic map 1:20000 used to be hard import using special Maagis format – now just read in as shape files

Geo Web Publisher – bonuses for Stella Map

- Straight forward Web publishing out of Stella Map DGN/XFM data
- Support for national KuntaGML WMS and WFS services
- Easy linking with other data sources including
 - 3rd party database applications
 - Utility network data
 - ProjectWise/Geospatial Server document archives



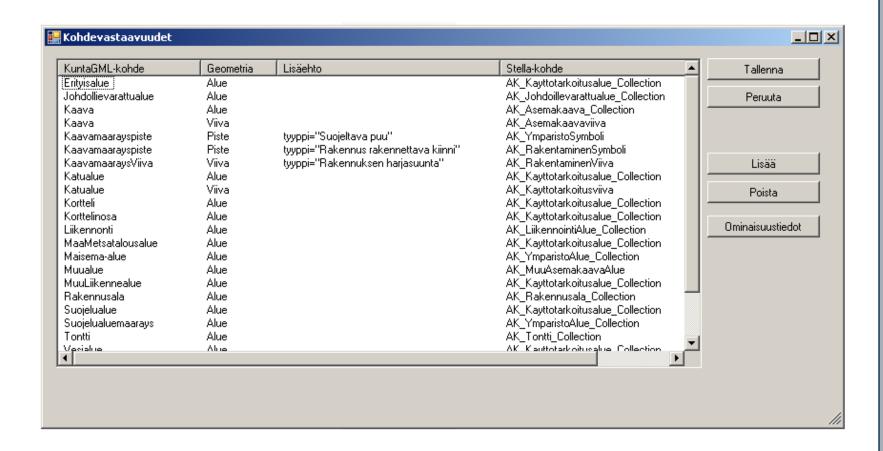


What next

- Fist version out in end of September 2008
- Currently customer admin migration training
- Smaller users already migrated, large ones stated migration project planning
- SP1 version out Q1 2009 including topology support for multiple layers
- Bentley Stella Map Oracle Spatial Edition planned Q1 2009
 - Core GIS features as defined by large user accounts
- 3rd party municipal database integration with Logica who is the market leader and used by most of Stella users
- ProjectWise/Geospatial Server integration
 - Field survey archive, cadastre archive, city plan archive,
 - Building permit archive



What next- GML import and export



 Import and export support for Finnish GML based KuntaGML data transfer format – ready end of 2008
Bentley

Summary

Pain	Feature	Advantage	Benefit
Stella feature model had grown into almost 2000 features	Bentley Geospatial Administrator and XFM model	Property based feature model instead of feature based	Easier to manage and maintain
			Works better with Oracle Spatial
Stella feature models had a lot of customer's own versions	National data harmonization initiative = KuntaGML	Common feature core for all 60+ user organizations	Easier data transfer between organizations
			Less customized models = more common development
Stella had separated too much from the MicroStation based platform and no new features exploited	Migrate the functionality and ideology without copying the code	Modern product with this century GUI.	Easier to adopt by new users
			New functionality inherited from the platform
Stella development lowed down over the ages	Platform update	More integrated with the Bentley Map platform	Can benefit with common Bentley application integration development
			Stella Map version inline with the platform updates



Q & A



