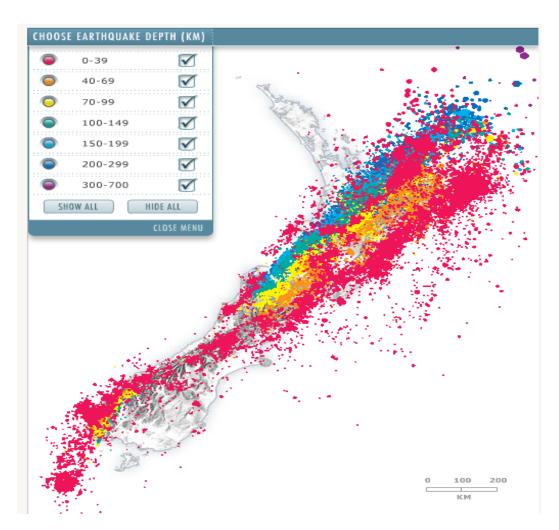
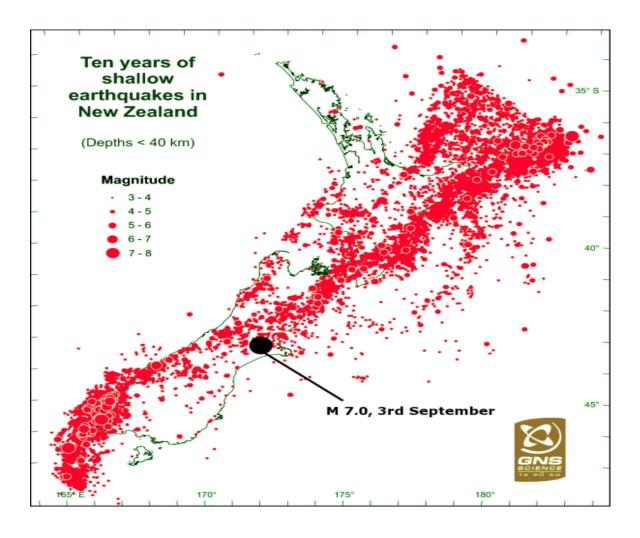
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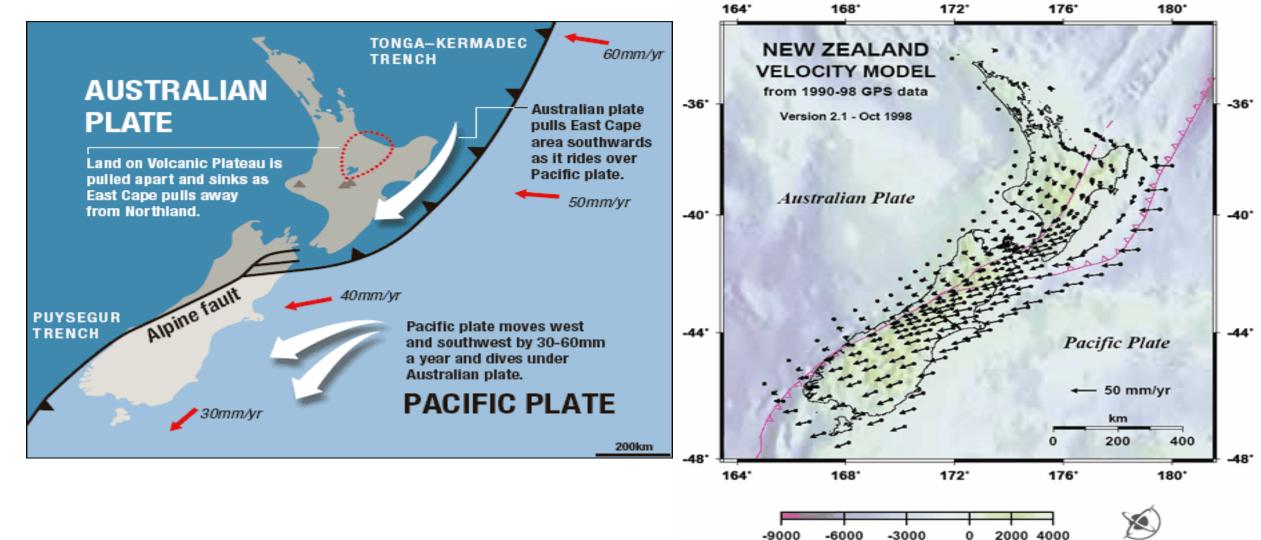








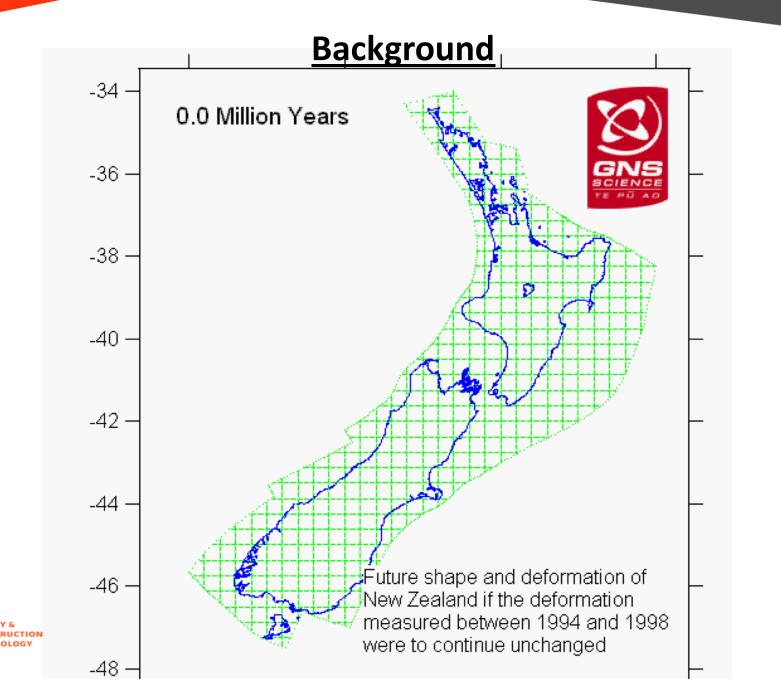
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Height above sea level (m)

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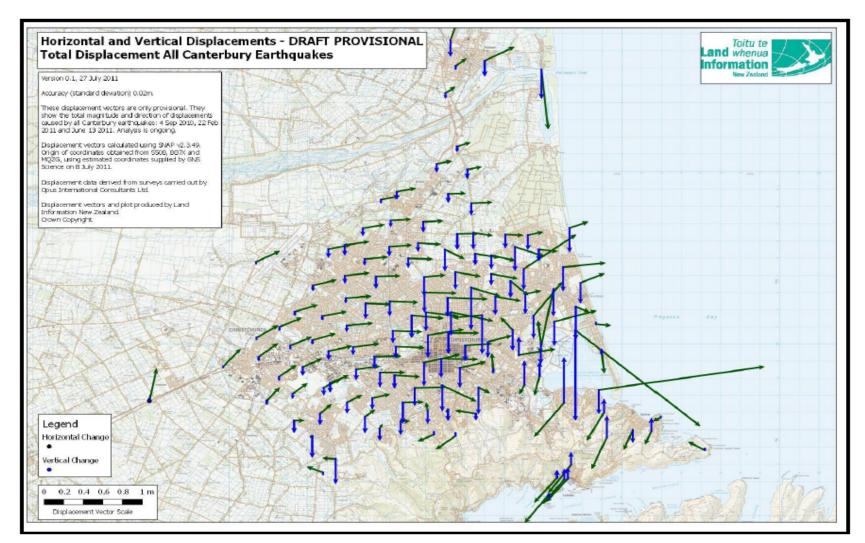








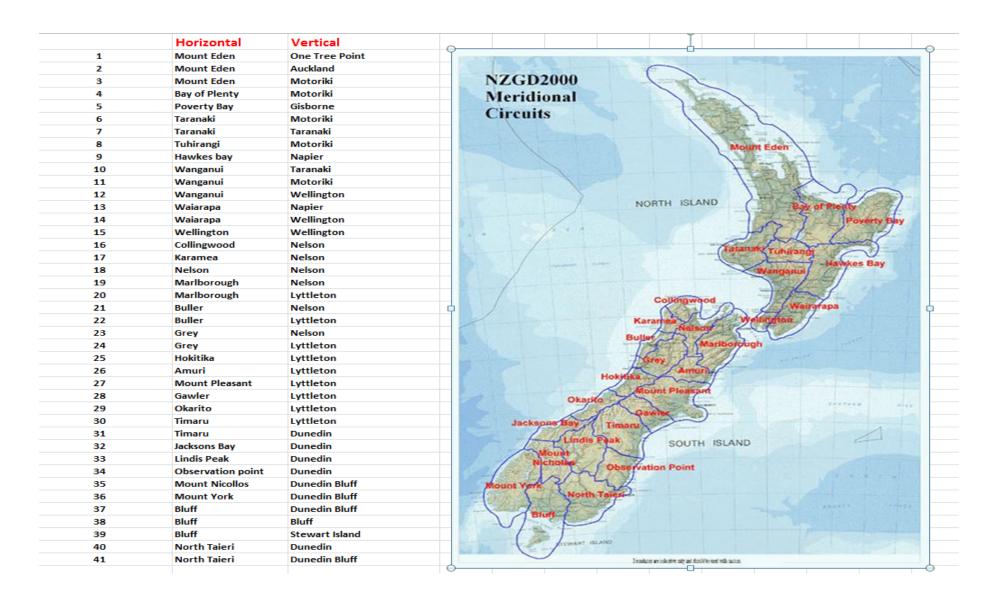
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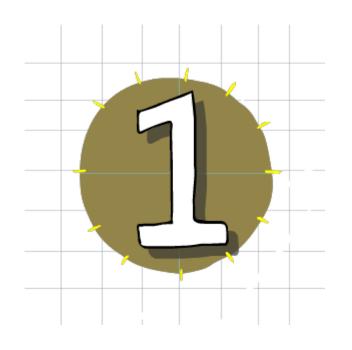






A SMALL selection of NZ's Datum 2000 Coordinate Systems



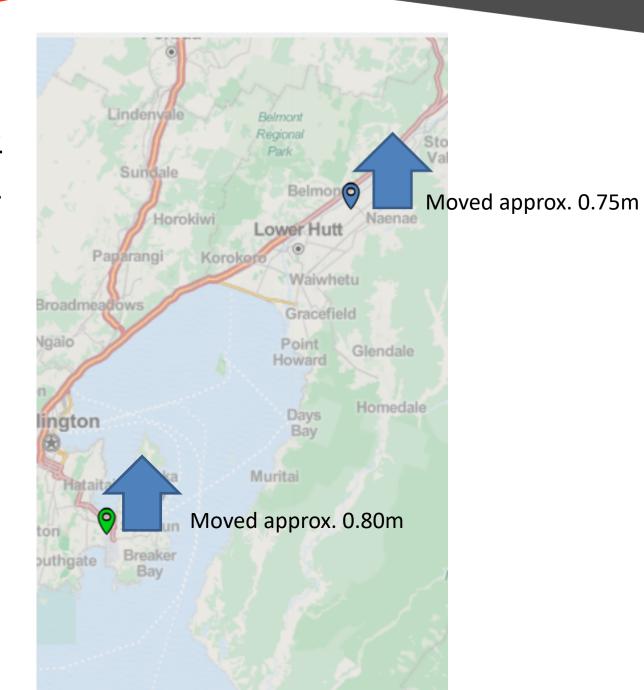


Datum 200 definition:

Coordinate for a feature as it was in the year 2000

Therefore a calculated distance between coordinates may not reflect the true distance

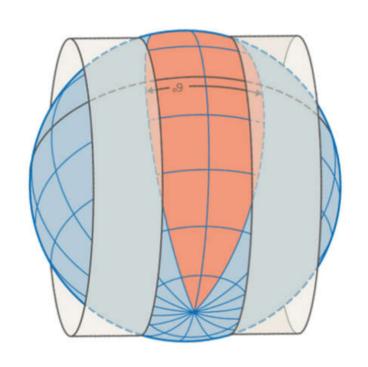
Since 2000 on the Horizontal Datum





A position (feature) has 2 dates that are important

- 1. The captured date.
- 2. The date of the datum it is referenced from (what is the "reference frame" this has come from). Is it really a datum 2000 coordinate



NZTM 2000 the "National" Datum

Transverse Mercator Projection (as are all Meridional circuits)

Project – the ball onto the cylinder

NZTM 2000

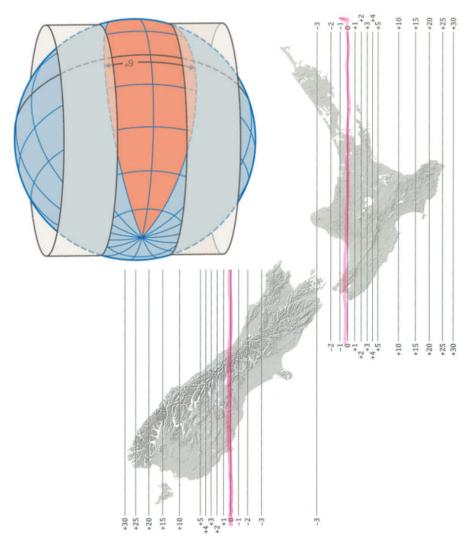
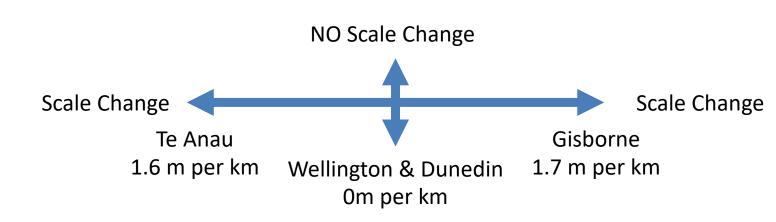
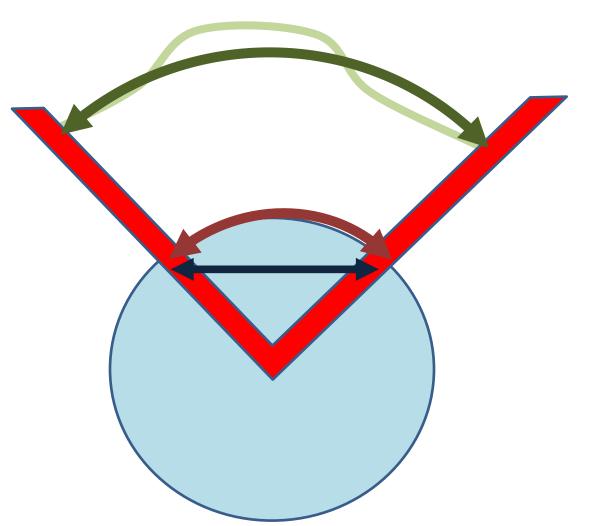


Figure 27. Curves of equal scale error of the New Zealand Transverse Mercator 2000 projection; scale error in units of 10-4 (100 mm / 1 km). Source: LINZ, 2001.





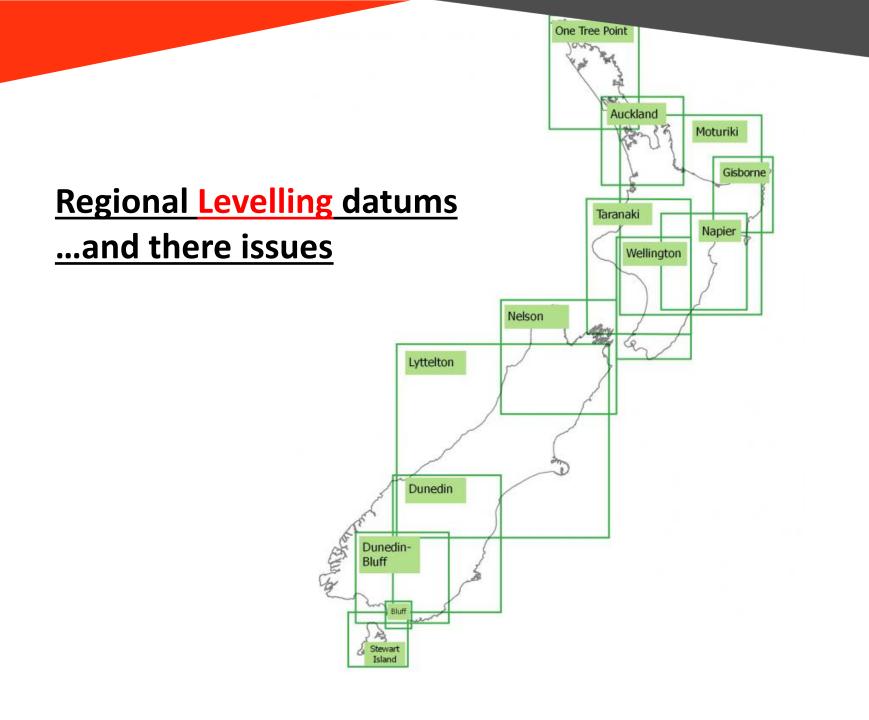
Ground

Spheroid/Geoid

Grid



Scale changes East – West (not North South)
Are horizontal distances Grid, Ground, or spheroidal



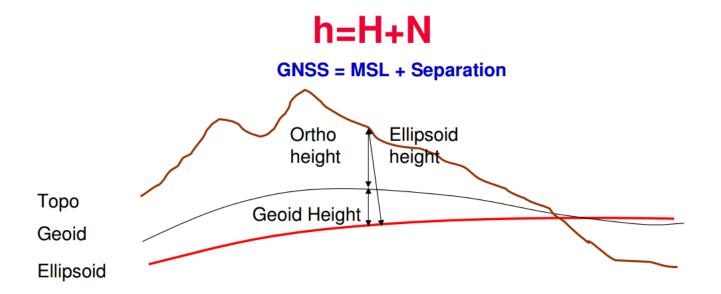


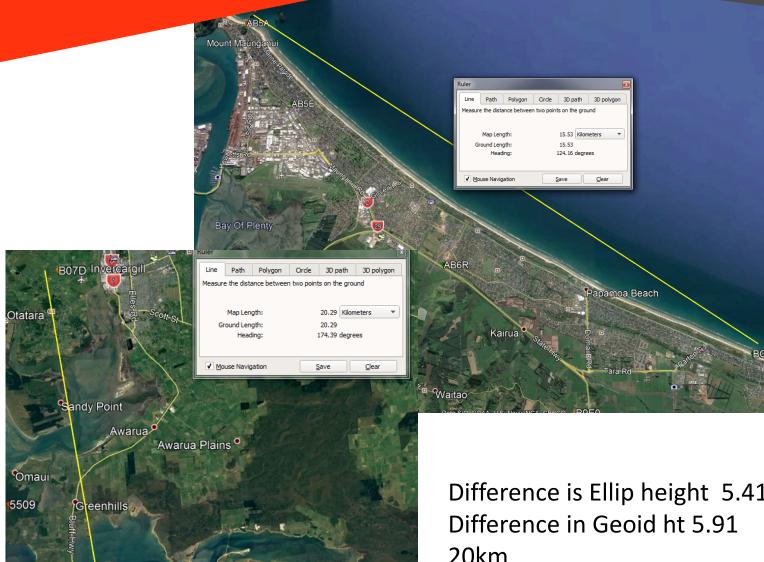
Vertical Datum 16 not a levelling datum but a GRAVITATIONAL datum



GPS (GNSS) and the height datum

Ellipsoid, Geoid, Topography



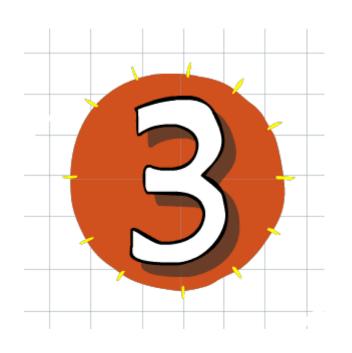


Difference is Ellip height 2.66m Difference in Geoid ht 2.12 15km Ellip greater by 0.54

Difference is Ellip height 5.41m 20km

Geoid greater by 0.50

What is the rule of thumb????



What Datum is the bench Mark

GPS (GNSS) heights differences are NOT true height differences





Distances aren't what they used to be



Scale between 2 points depends on the direction



Water flows on the Geoid not the Ellipsoidal

Any Questions?

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