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## The spatial correlation of credit risk and its gain in credit scoring models

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- ✓ The credit cycle
- ✓ Credit Risk: probability of default

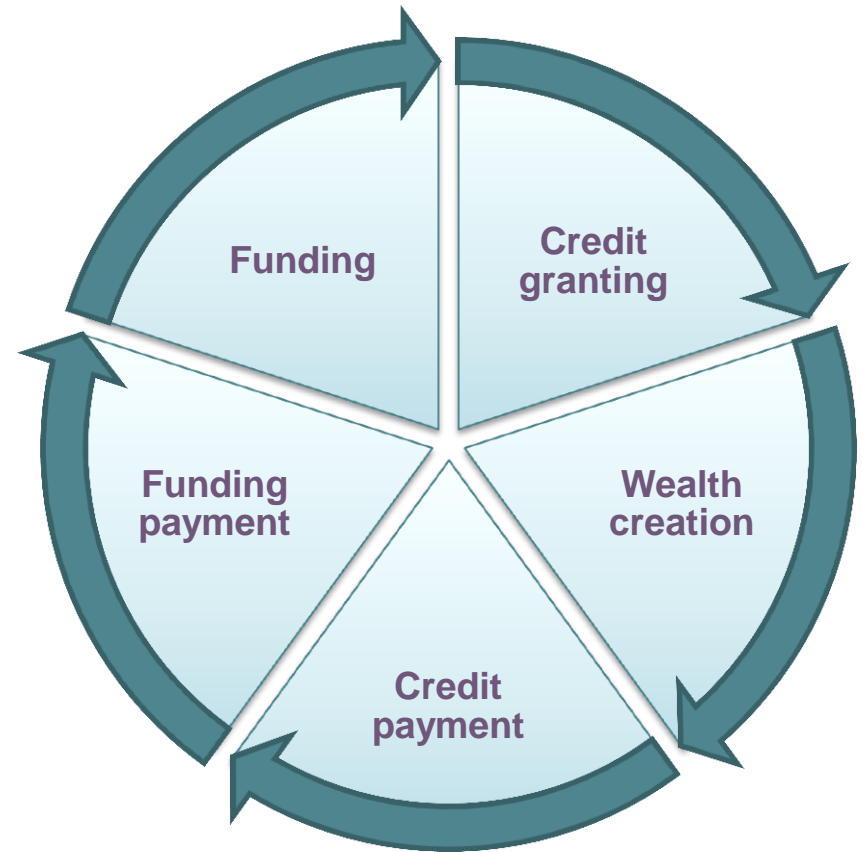


Related to many risk drivers (SME):

- ✓ Indebtness
- ✓ Activity sector
- ✓ Payment behaviour
- ✓ Delinquency history
- ✓ Economic information
- ✓ Local information

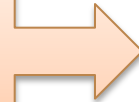


**Related somehow in SME risk assessment**





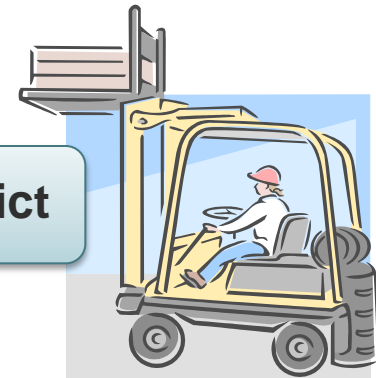
- ✓ Economic information
- ✓ Local information



Two illustrative explanations



**Retailers and other stores**



**Industrial district**

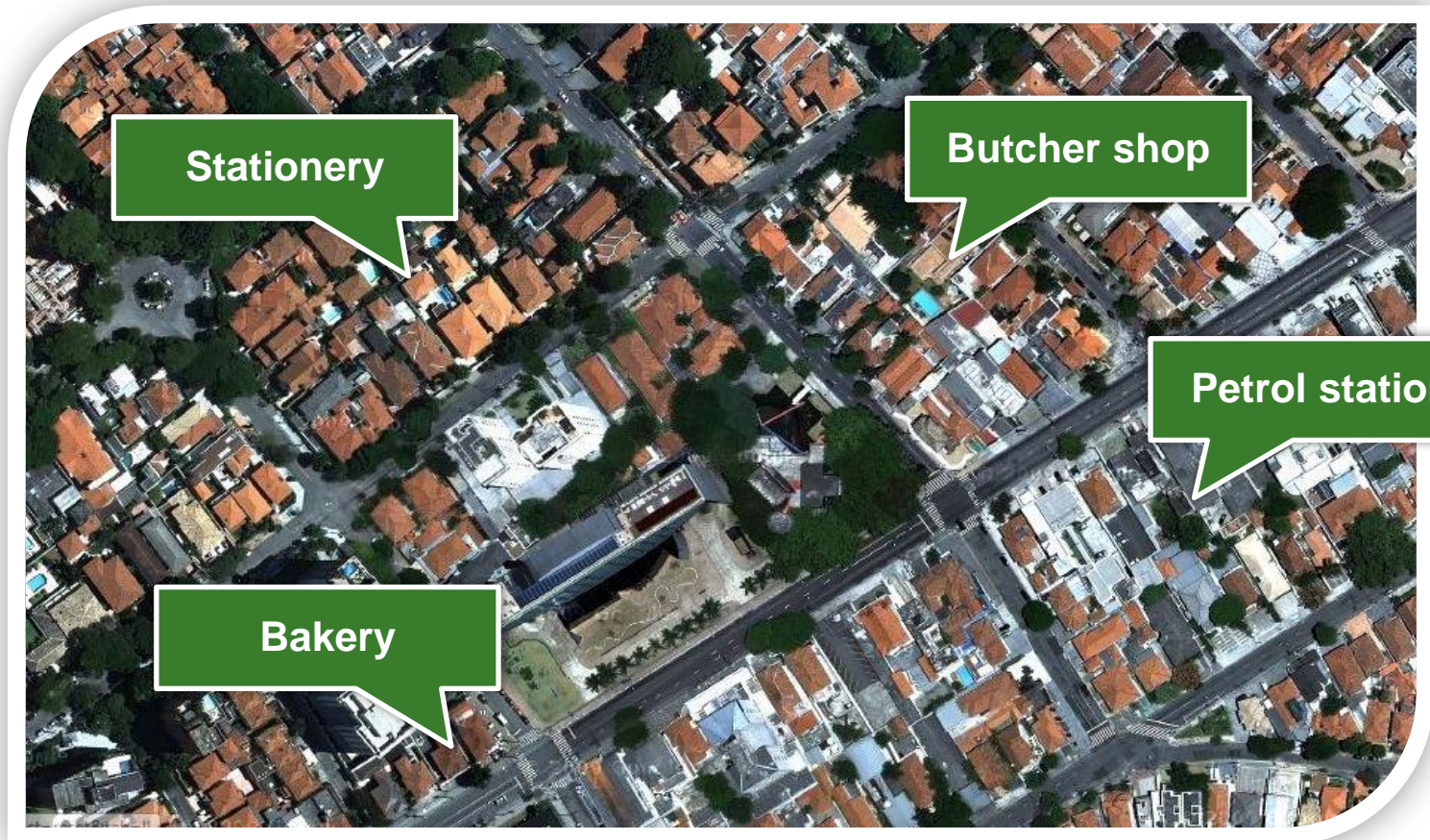


## Retailers and other stores



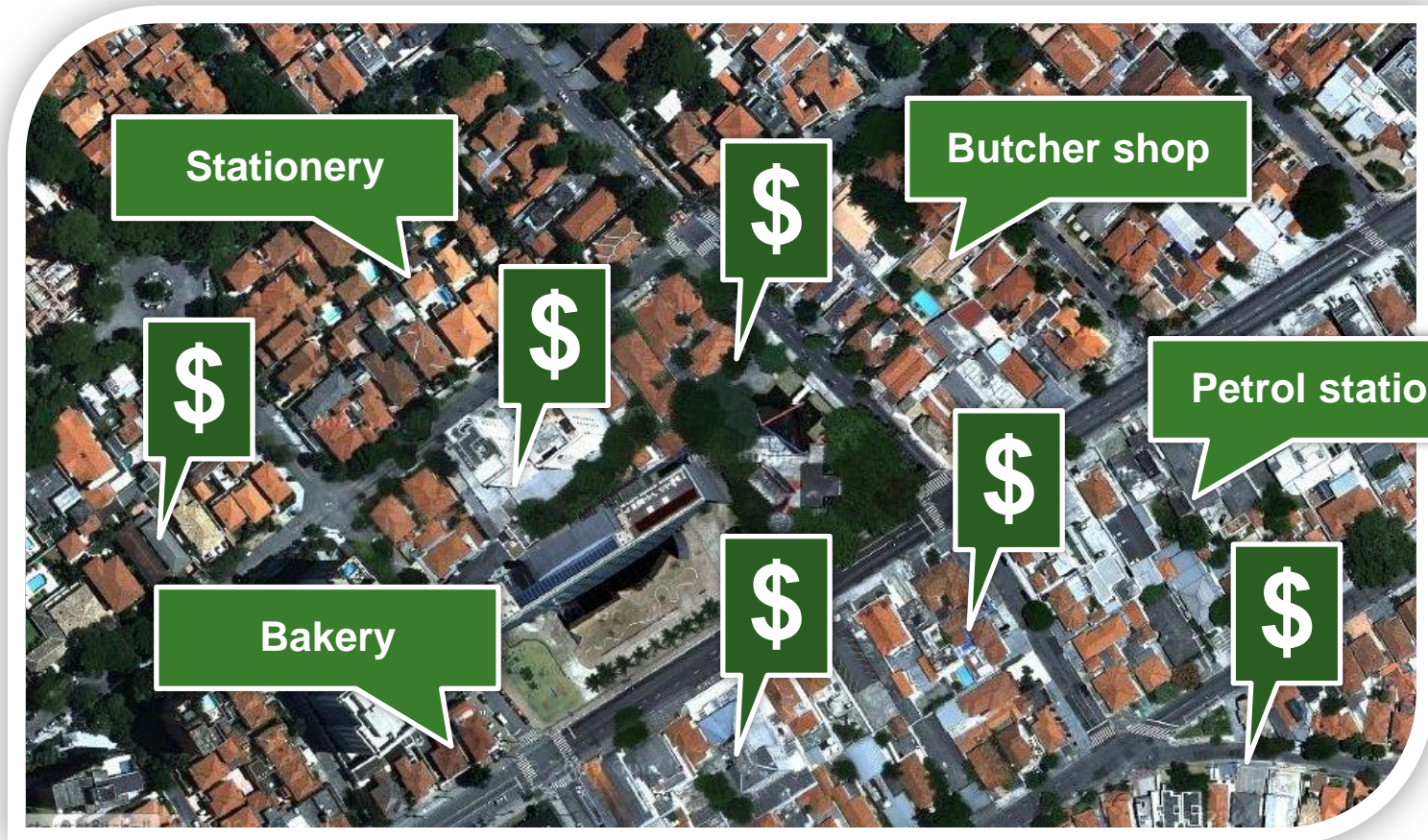


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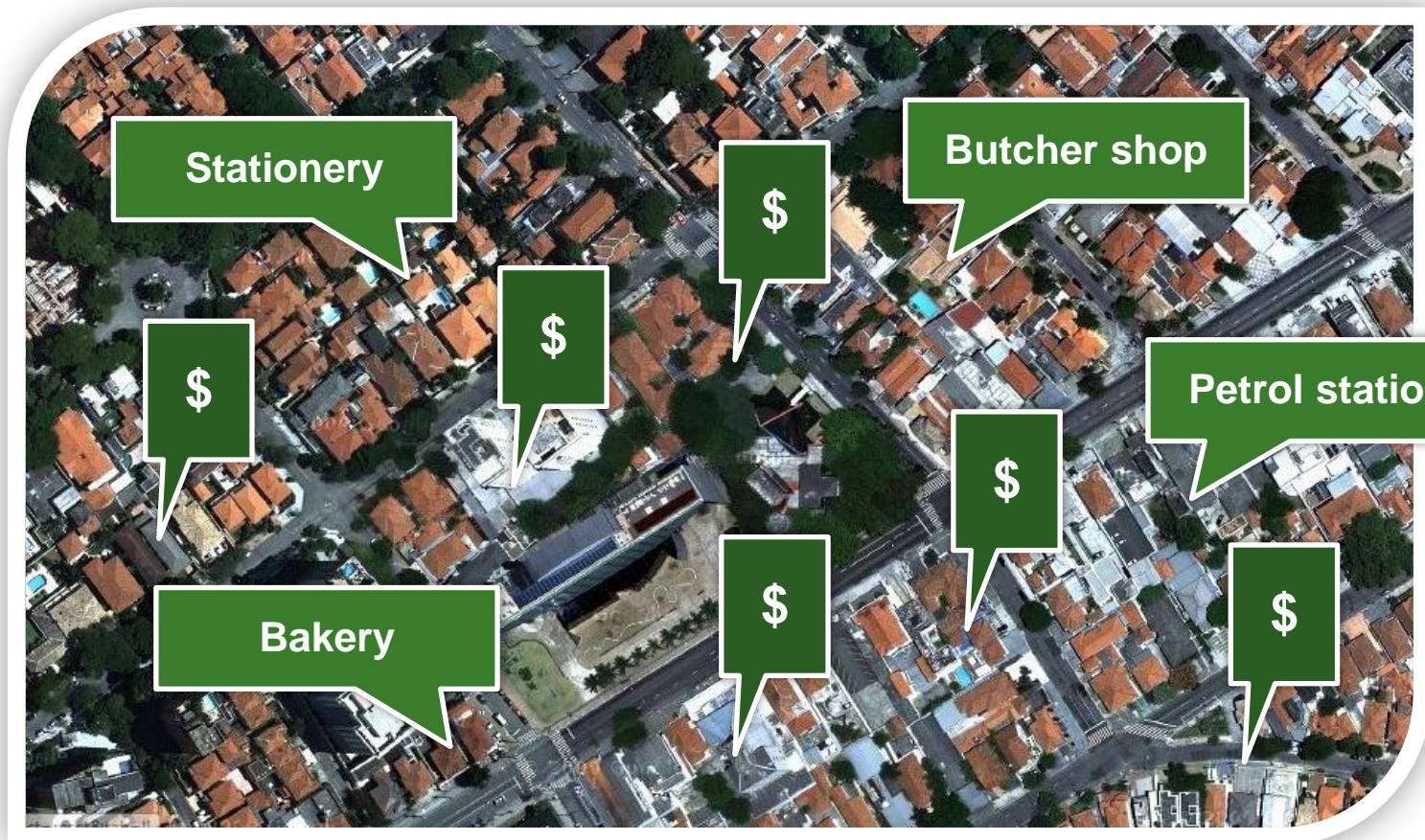


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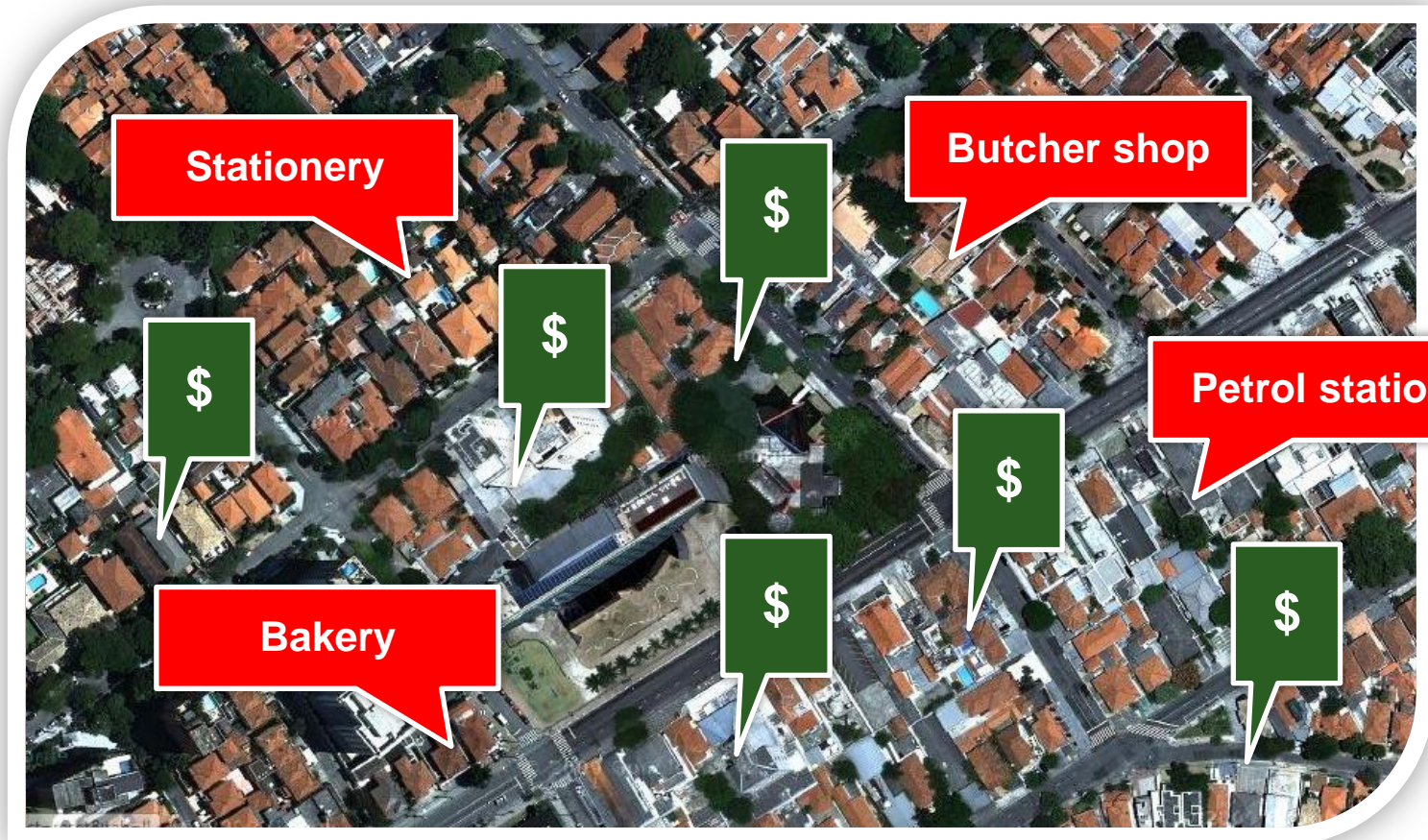


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## Industrial district



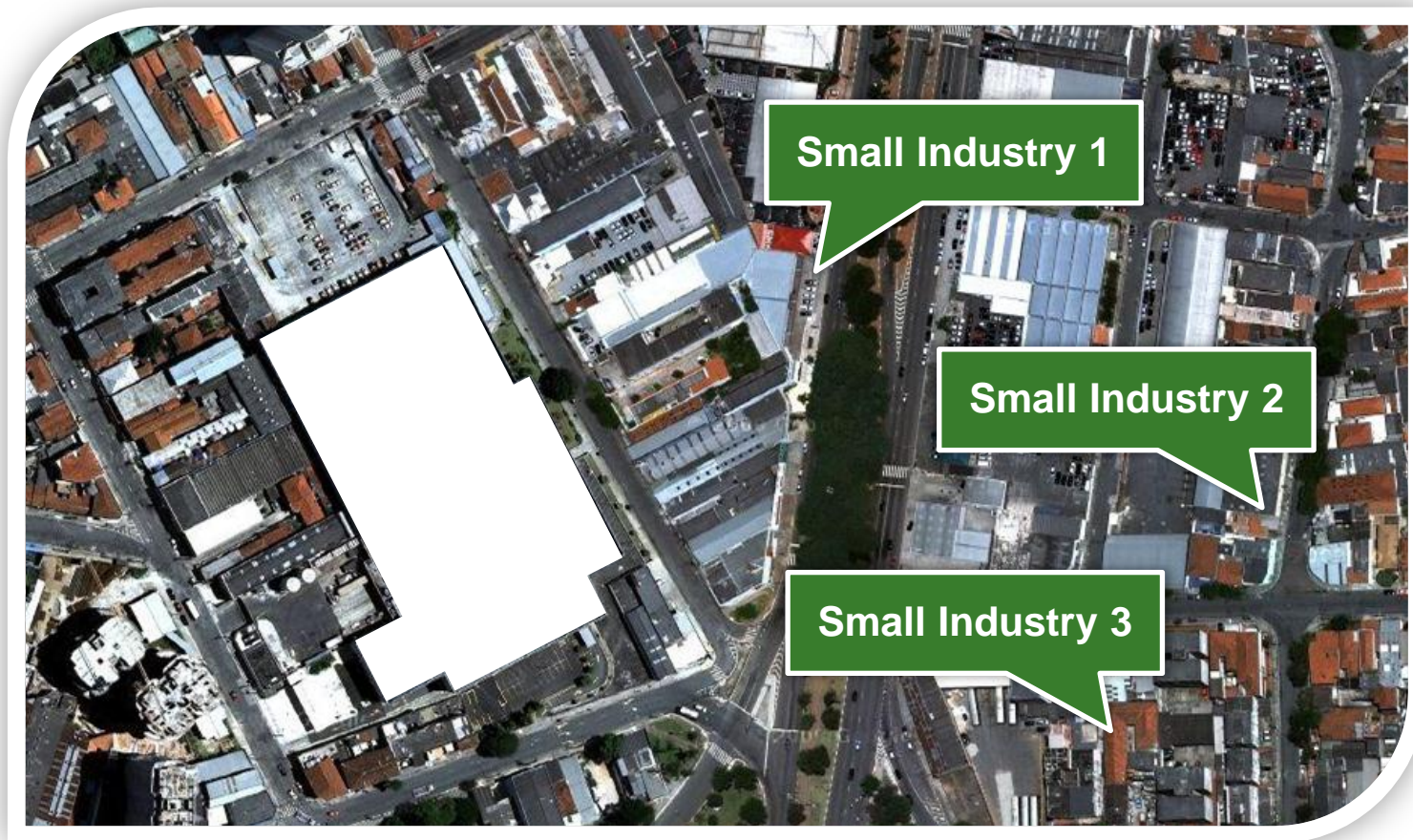


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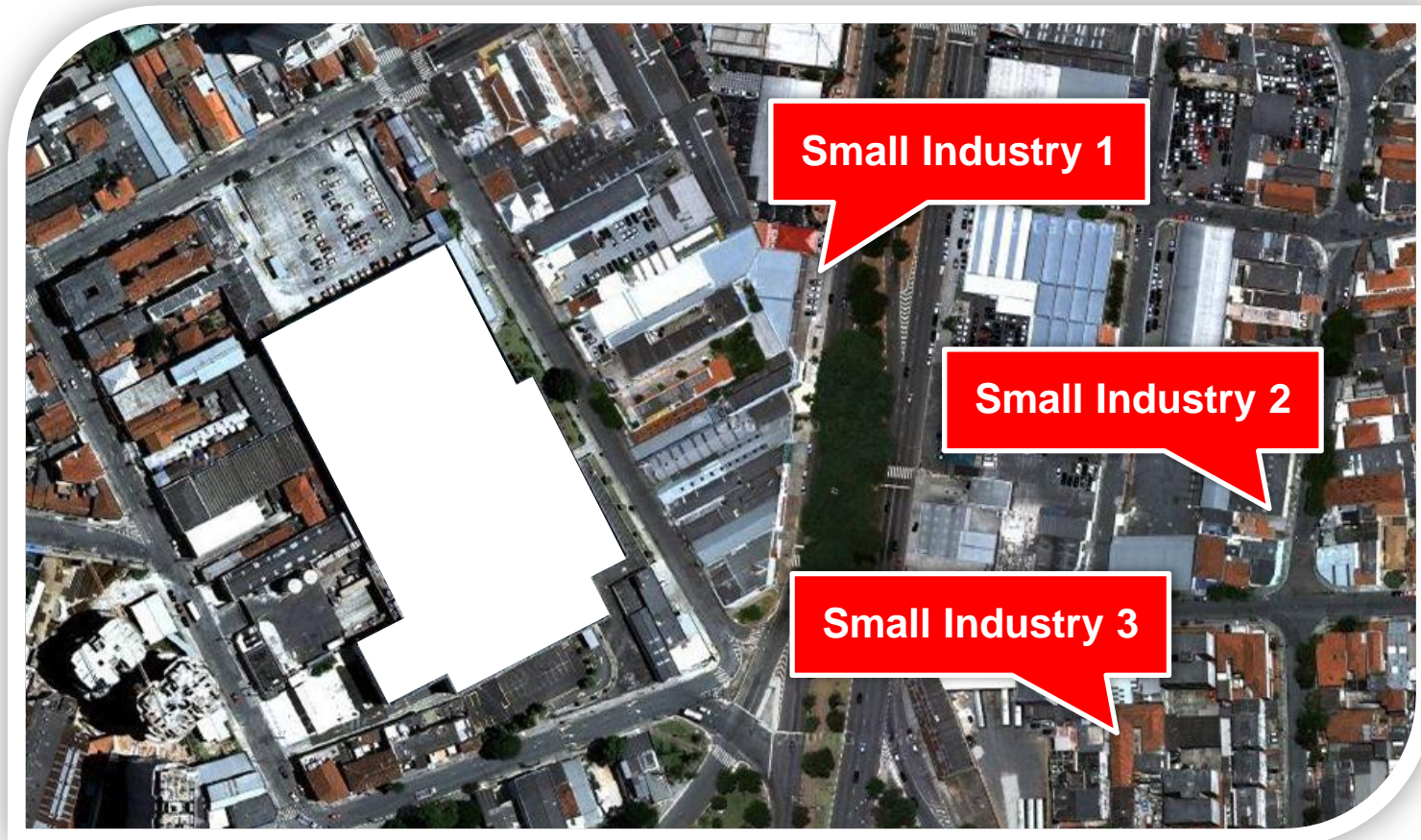


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## Industrial district





- ✓ Potentially relevant spatial dependence
- ✓ How to include this information into credit scoring models?

Local economic indexes

Information gathering difficulties (Gerkman, 2011):  
Eg. “Neighbourhood” GDP

Post code grouping



- ✓ Easy creation and simple implementation
- ✓ Any “Excel-like” software is able to evol such analysis



- ✓ Potentially a large number of categories
- ✓ Regions with few SME or defaulters may result in poor risk assessment
- ✓ May result in unstable model or overfitting issue



- ✓ Potentially relevant spatial dependence
- ✓ How to include this information into credit scoring models?
  1. Local economic indexes
  2. Post code grouping
  3. Our proposal:
    - Spatial dependence effect is a continuous measure



Estimated by Kriging methods



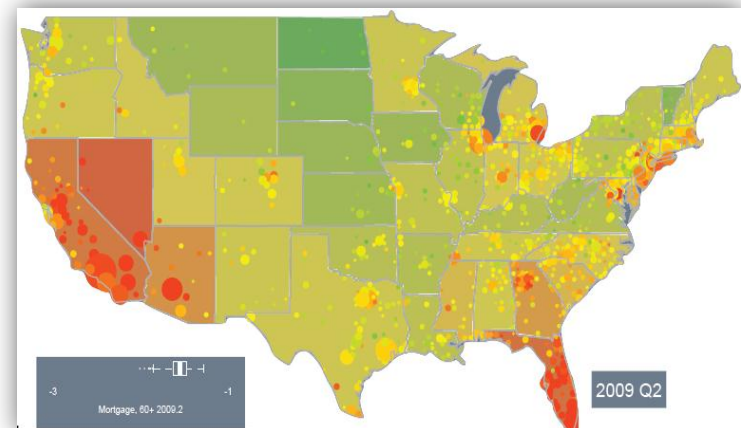
✓ Probability of default may be conditioned to many risk factors:

- Indebtness
- Reference file
- Payment behaviour
- Negative statements info
- Location



Evidence that location matters (Stine, 2011)

- Counties level
- Moran's I





- ✓ Argawal *et al.* (2012) proposed:
  - Neighbourhood information: % of low income people, ethnic mix
  - Not significant in a full model
- ✓ Barro and Barro (2010):
  - Contagion model
  - Combines location (communa) and industry sector
  - Output: a counterparty PD model
- ✓ Fernandes (2012):
  - Correlation between firms is conditioned to distance
  - Kriging method estimates SPATIAL RISK
  - Explanatory variable in the credit scoring model
  
- ✓ **What is Kriging?**



Kriging was first used in geology (soil characteristics), epidemiology (risk areas of certain diseases) and agriculture (nutrients concentration).

- Based on the geologist Daniel Krige's ideas (Krige, 1951)
- Developed by the mathematician Georges Matheron (Matheron, 1963)



- ✓ Kriging: interpolation method based on distance (Matheron, 1963)
- ✓ Prediction method via smoothing weighted averages
- ✓ Ordinary Kriging:

$z_i$ : observed variable in observation  $i$

$d_{ij} = h$ : distance between obs  $i$  and  $j$

$\hat{z}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \lambda_j^i z_j$ : average of surroundings of  $i$

$$\lambda_j^i = f(d_{ij})$$

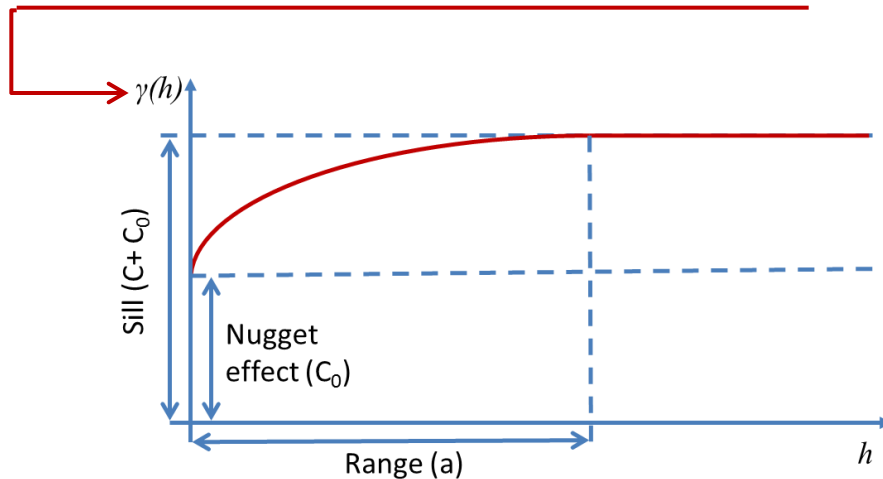
$$\sum_{j \neq i} \lambda_j^i = 1$$



How does  $\lambda_j^i = f(d_{ij})$  changes with  $d_{ij}$

## Semivariance and semivariogram

$$\gamma(h) = \frac{1}{2} E \left[ (Z_i - Z_j)^2 \mid d(i,j) = h \right]$$



## Theoretical variogram model:

Spherical Model of Matheron:

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} c_0 + C \left[ 1.5 \left( \frac{h}{a} \right) - 0.5 \left( \frac{h}{a} \right)^3 \right], & 0 \leq h \leq a \\ c_0 + C, & h > a \end{cases}$$

Exponential Model of Formery:

$$\gamma(h) = c_0 + C \left[ 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{h}{a} \right) \right]$$

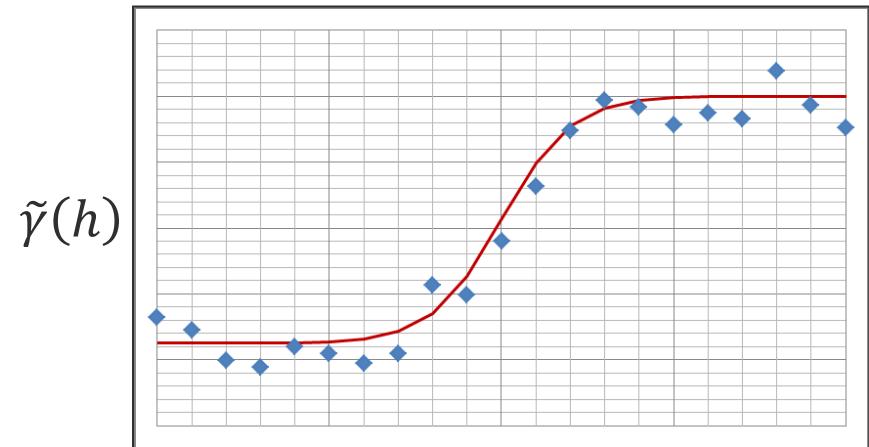
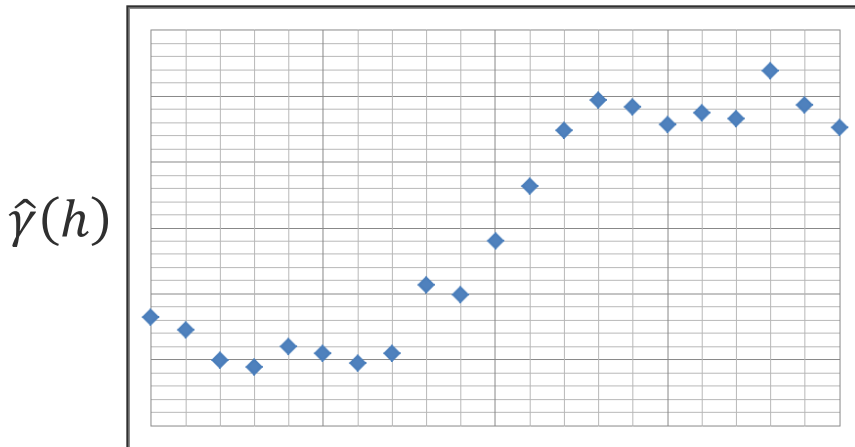
Gaussian Model:

$$\gamma(h) = c_0 + C \left[ 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{h^2}{a^2} \right) \right]$$

**Extension (Hohn, 1989):**  $\gamma_{SUM}(h) = c_0 + \gamma_1(h) + \gamma_2(h),$



$$\gamma(h) = \frac{1}{2} E \left[ (Z_i - Z_j)^2 \mid d(i, j) = h \right] \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{2N_h} \sum_{(i,j) \mid d_{i,j}=h} (z_i - z_j)^2$$



Theoretical model estimation



- ✓ How does the semivariogram and semivariance ( $\tilde{\gamma}(h)$ )

connects with  $\hat{Z}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} \lambda_j^i z_j$  ?

$$\min \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2(i) = \min \text{Var}[\hat{Z}_i - Z_i], \text{ subject to } \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{\lambda}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\lambda}_n \\ \hat{\mu} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\gamma}(d_{11}) & \dots & \tilde{\gamma}(d_{1n}) & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \tilde{\gamma}(d_{n1}) & \dots & \tilde{\gamma}(d_{nn}) & 1 \\ 1 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\gamma}(d_{10}) \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{\gamma}(d_{n0}) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Goovaerts (1997)

- ✓ New explanatory variable:  $\hat{Z}_i =$  local average risk for firm  $i$  (SPATIALRISK)



### Naïve logistic regression

$$Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p_i)$$

$$p_i = \left( \frac{\exp(x'_i \beta)}{1 + \exp(x'_i \beta)} \right)$$

Where:

$i$  = observation

$y_i$  = target variable (1: default; 0: non – default)

$p_i$  = probability of default

$x_i$  = explanatory variables

$\beta_{naive}$  = parameter vector

✓ Estimation via MLE

### Measurement error logistic model

$$Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p_i)$$

$$p_i = \left( \frac{\exp(x'_i \beta + z_i \theta)}{1 + \exp(x'_i \beta + z_i \theta)} \right)$$

Where:

$i$  = observation

$y_i$  = target variable (1: default; 0: non – default)

$p_i$  = probability of default

$x_i$  = variables without measurement error

$z_i$  = variable with measurement error

$\beta$  = parameters vector

$\theta$  = parameter of the spatial risk variable

✓ Estimation via SIMEX (Cook and Stefanski, 1994)



# Empirical analysis

## Steps for analysis

Semivariance and semivariogram estimation



Bureau data

Estimation of spatial risk



Bureau data + specific portfolio

Credit scoring estimation



Specific portfolio





# Empirical analysis

Data used in semivariance estimation



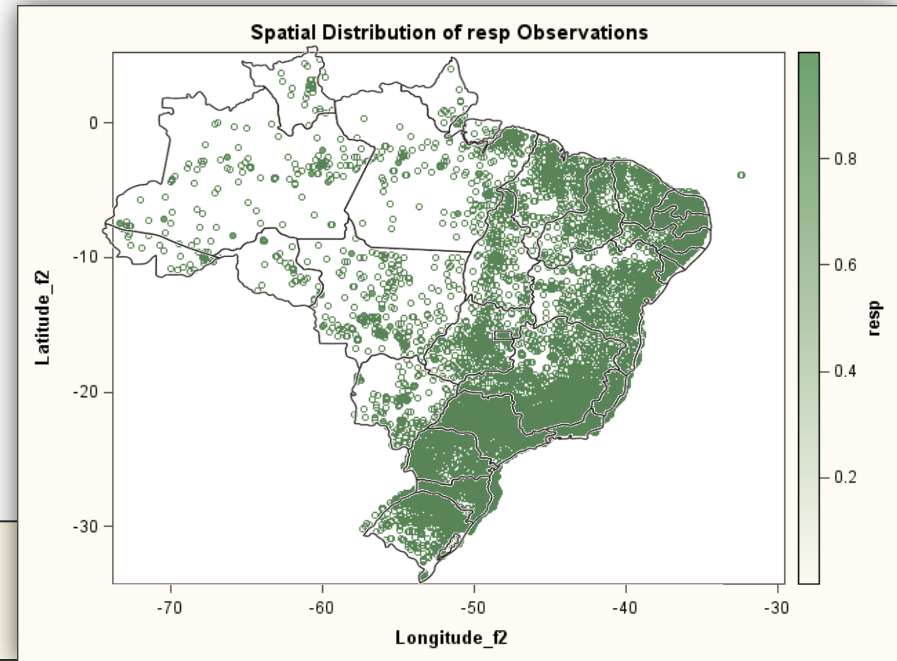
Bureau

9MM SMEs

Information gathered:

- ✓ Market default: 90 days in arrears
- ✓ Latitude and longitude
- ✓ Post code

Spatial dependence pattern may not be equal in every region

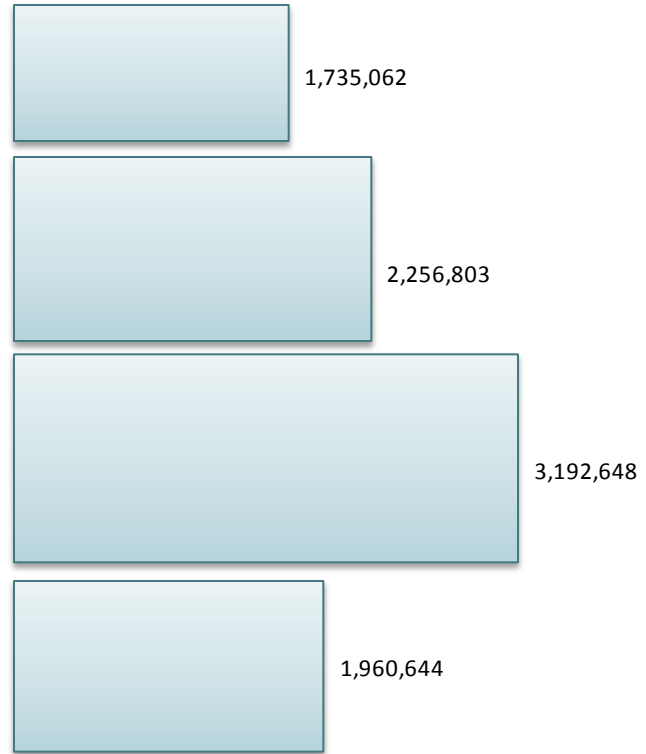


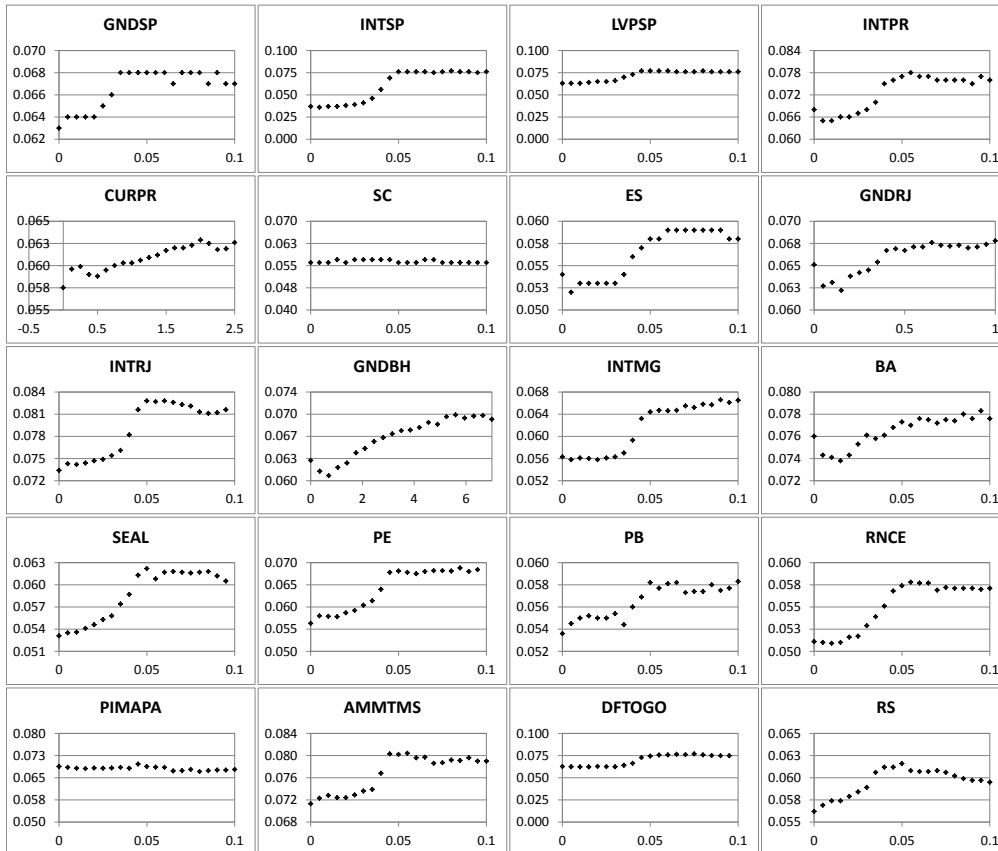


# Empiral analysis

20 regions

Code	SMEs	Description	SMEs
GNDSP	1,269,923	Metropolitan areas	1,960,644
GNDRJ	357,259		
GNDBH	257,975		
CURPR	75,487		
LPVP	284,304	States except the metropolitan areas	3,192,648
INTSP	1,248,828		
INTRJ	365,702		
INTMG	693,458		
INTPR	600,356		
ES	168,582	Entire states	2,256,803
BA	482,030		
PE	264,559		
PB	96,796		
SC	424,232		
RS	820,604		
SEAL	136,853	Group of states	1,735,062
RNCE	376,021		
PIMAPA	393,982		
AMMTMS	448,578		
DFGOTO	379,628		





Region	Total number of regions	Strong spatial dependence
Metropolitan areas	4	4
States except the metropolitan areas	5	5
Entire states	6	5
Group of states	5	4

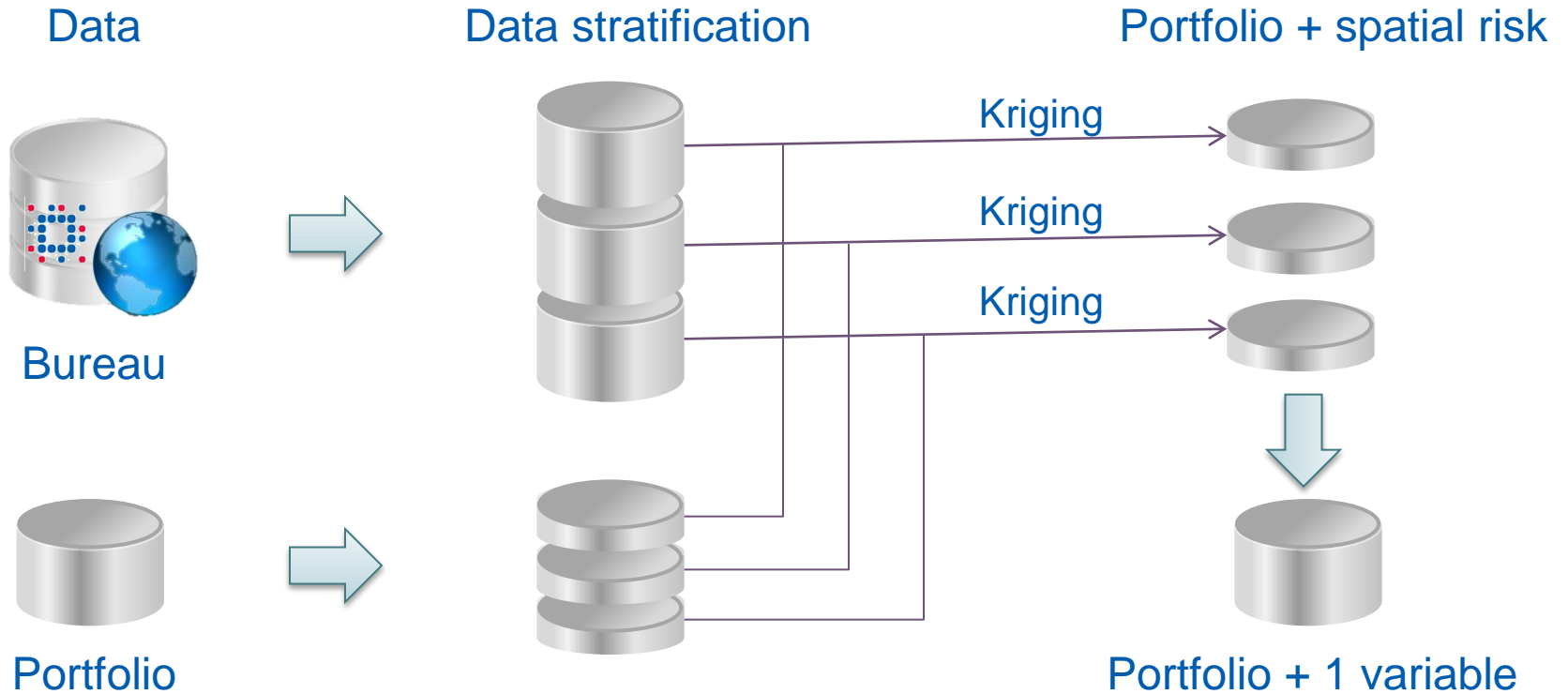
Region	Semivariogram model				
	Gaussian	Exponential + Spheric	Spheric	Gaussian + Gaussian	Gaussian + Spheric
Metropolitan areas	2			1	1
States except the metropolitan areas	5				
Entire states	5		1		
Group of states	5	1			

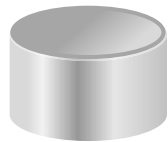




# Empirical analysis

Spatial risk component





Portfolio

- ✓ 8.800 firms
- ✓ 12 months performance window
- ✓ Application scoring model

Variables	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3
	Naive LR	Naive LR	SIMEX LR
2 reference file	V	V	V
6 credit demand	V	V	V
4 default history	V	V	V
3 negative statement	V	V	V
2 past credit use	V	V	V
1 payment capacity	V	V	V
1 payment method	V	V	V
1 Serasa bureau score	V	V	V
Spatial risk component	X	V	V





Variable	Parameter estimates			Altman's scaled vector		
	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3
Intercepto	0.5978*	-0.2563*	-0.2563*			
IND_RESTR	-0.1007**	-0.1238*	-0.1237*	4%	4%	4%
RESTR2	-0.3801*	-0.4104*	-0.4103*	11%	9%	9%
RESTR3	-0.3020*	-0.3573*	-0.3573*	19%	16%	16%
SERASA	0.7857*	0.6597*	0.6596*	52%	33%	33%
DEMCRED6	0.0291*	0.0207*	0.0207*	6%	3%	3%
DEMCRED1/ DEMCRED2	-0.3434*	-0.3051**	0.3051**	8%	5%	5%
SPATIALRISK	-	-0.3322*	0.3322*	-	30%	30%

- ✓ 3 negative statement variables
- ✓ 3 credit demand variables
- ✓ Serasa bureau score

- ✓ Bureau score is the most important var.
- ✓ Spatial risk is 2nd most important var.
- ✓ Model 2 and 3 are much similar

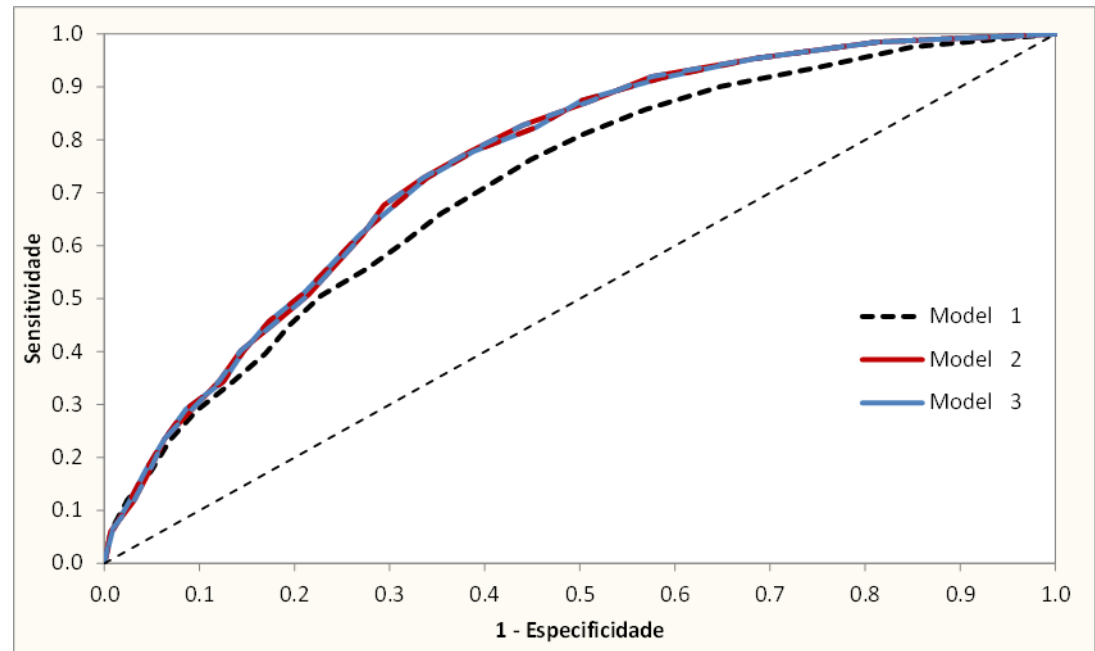




Measure	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3
KS	29,53%	36,03%	36,02%
Gini	39,98%	47,13%	47,12%

Hand's KS/ROC test:

- ✓ Model 2 = Model 3
- ✓ Model 1  $\neq$  Model 2
- ✓ Model 1  $\neq$  Model 3





## Conclusions

- ✓ There is evidence from past studies about the spatial dependence
- ✓ We proposed a proxy for capturing this spatial dependence based on neighbourhood
- ✓ 20 regions were found to have different spatial dependence patterns
- ✓ 20 spatial models were estimated for those
- ✓ The ordinary kriging methodology estimated the proxy for spatial risk
- ✓ The spatial risk component adds 6.5 p.p. in KS statistic and 7 p.p. in Gini
- ✓ There was no significant difference found between the naive logistic regression and the logistic model with measurement error



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