The complexity of cartographic presentation types

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Abstract

It seems necessary to verify the classification of the cartographic presentation methods. There is a need for a new, formalized view of the method, as a sequence of steps from data collection to correct presentation, to map. It should be found to distinguish two terms related to cartographic presentation: methods and forms.

A METHOD (TECHNIC) is understood as a transition process from data to presentation, as a certain sequence of actions leading to a meaningful presentation, as a way of proceeding which starts from data leading to a presentation.

FORM is understood as a final effect of this process – a graphic image, a result, a map.

There are five different types of cartographic presentation complexity. In the described subsequent types, one can observe an increasing degree of complexity of cartographic presentation (from the simplest one to the complex one).

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