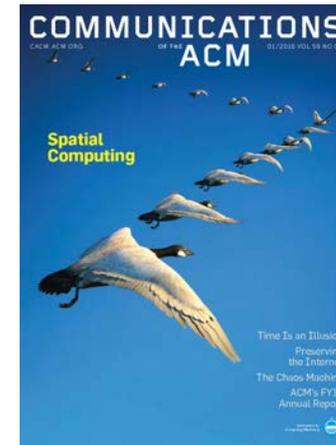
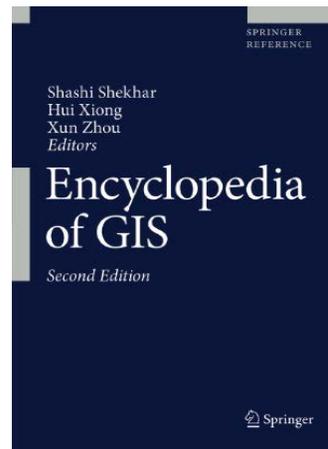
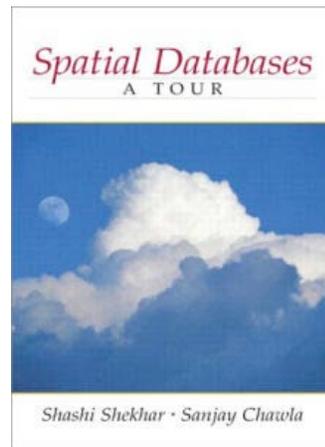


# Spatial Data Science and Transportation

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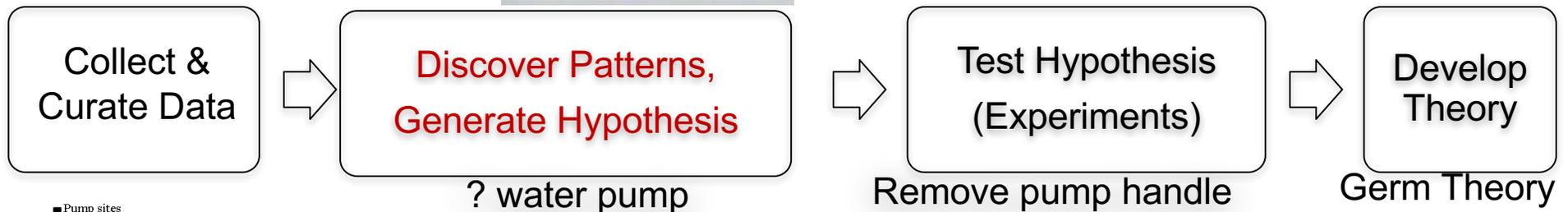
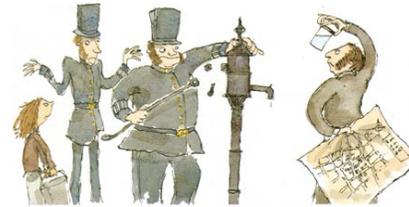
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# A Spatial Data Science Story

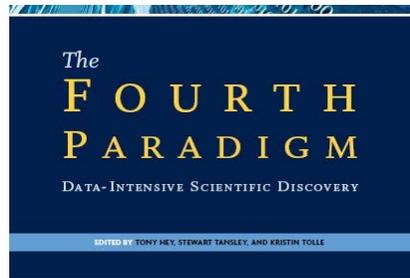
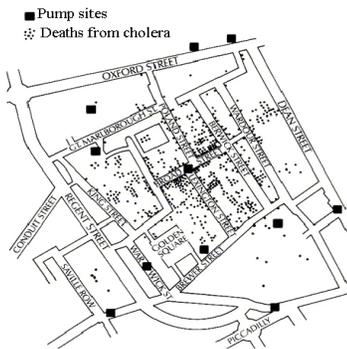
1854: What causes Cholera?



? water pump

Remove pump handle

Germ Theory



**Impact:**  
sewage system, drinking water supply ...

Q? What are Choleras of today?  
Q? How may Spatial Data Mining Help?

**Details:** (1) Spatial computing. (S. Shekhar et al.) *Communications of the ACM*, 59(1):72-81, 2016.  
 (2) Transforming Smart Cities with Spatial Computing (Y. Xie et al.) . Proc. IEEE Intl. Smart Cities Conference, 2018.



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# What is new since Snow's map? Spatial Big Data

- 1980s : USDOD opens GPS for civilian use
  - 1990s: use in Intelligent Transportation Systems
- Today: **2 billion** GPS receivers in use (7 billion by 2022).
  - Many share location every second
  - Generating a large volume of **location traces**



- GPS also provides **reference time** for many infrastructure
  - Airlines, Telecommunications, Banks
- GPS is the single point of failure for the entire modern economy.
- 50,000 incidents of deliberate (GPS) jamming last two years
  - Against Ubers, Waymo's self-driving cars, delivery drones from Amazon

**Bloomberg Businessweek**

July 25, 2018, 4:00 AM CDT

The World Economy  
Runs on GPS. It Needs a  
Backup Plan

**Source:** <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2018-07-25/the-world-economy-runs-on-gps-it-needs-a-backup-plan>

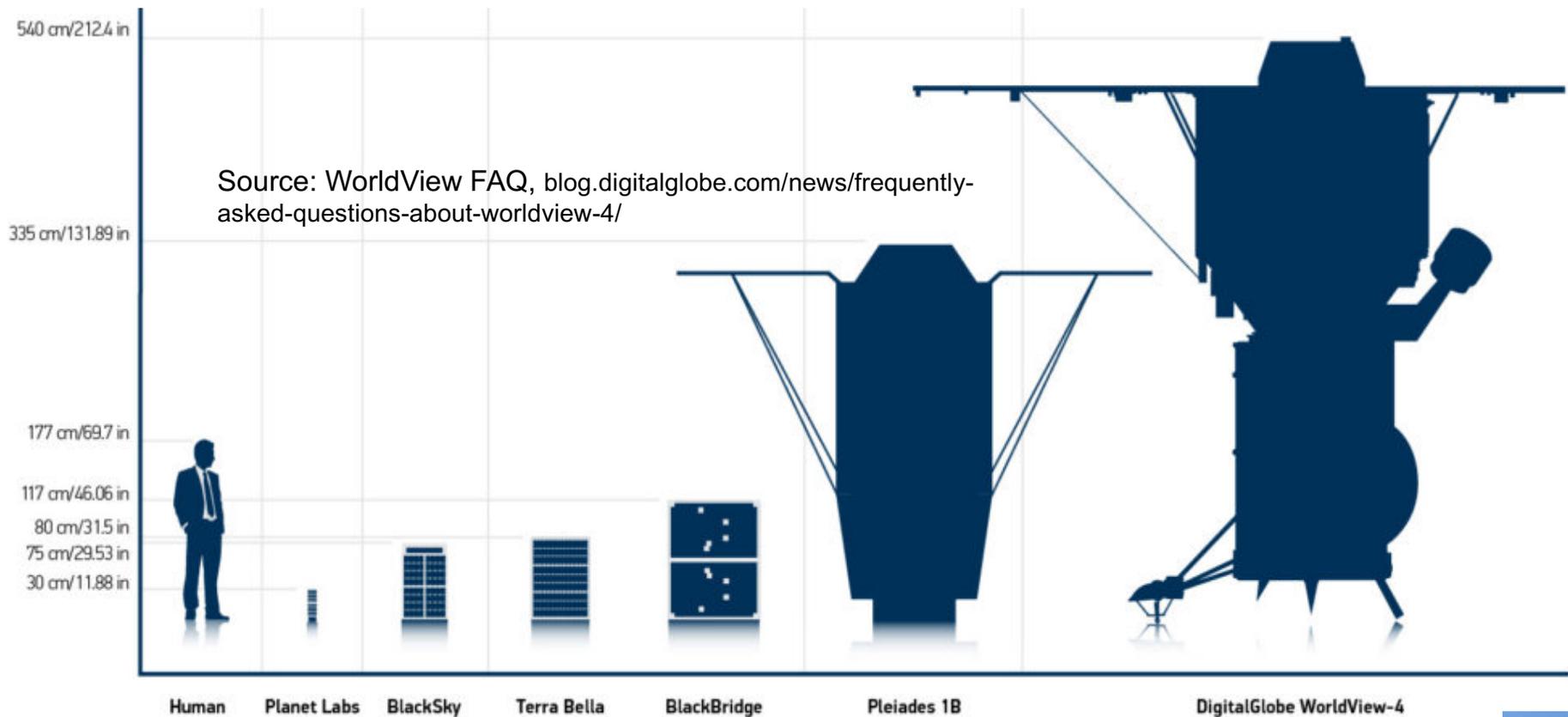


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# Large Constellations of Small Satellites

- Hi-frequency (e.g., daily or hourly) time-series of imagery of entire earth
  - Monitor illegal fishing, forest fires, crops (2017 DARPA Geospatial Cloud Analytics)
- **Large Constellations**
  - 2017: Planet Labs: 100 satellites: daily scan of Earth at 1m resolution in visible band



# Cheap (or free) satellite data on cloud computers

- 2008: USGS gave away 35-year Landsat satellite imagery archive
  - Analog of public availability of GPS signal in late 1980s
- 2017: Many cloud-based Virtual collaboration environment
  - Explosion in machine learning on satellite imagery to map crops, water, buildings, roads, ...

	Google Earth Engines	NEX	AWS Earth
Elevation, Landsat, LOCA, MODIS, NAIP	x	x	x
NOAA	x		x
AVHRR, FIA, GIMMM, GlobCover, NARR, TRIMM, Sentinel-1	x	x	
IARPA, GDELT, MOGREPS, OpenStreetMap, Sentinel-2 SpaceNet (building/road labels for ML)			x
CHIRPS, GeoScience Australia, GSMap, NASS, Oxford Map, PSDI, WHRC, WorldClim, WorldPop, WWF,	x		
BCCA, FLUXNET		x	



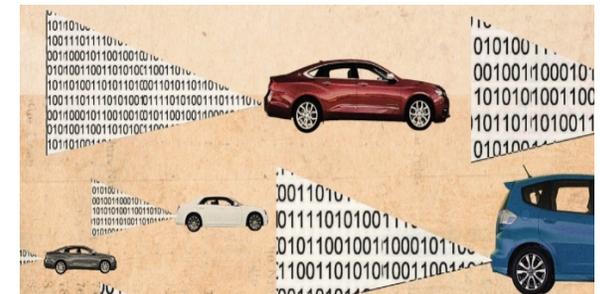
# Spatial Big Data has Big Value

The New York Times

New Ways to Exploit Raw Data May Bring Surge of Innovation, a Study Says (May 13, 2011)

The study estimates that the use of personal location data could save consumers worldwide more than \$600 billion annually by 2020. Computers determine users' whereabouts by tracking their mobile devices, like cellphones. The study cites smartphone location services including Foursquare and Loopt, for locating friends, and ones for finding nearby stores and restaurants.

But the biggest single consumer benefit, the study says, is going to come from time and fuel savings from location-based services — tapping into real-time traffic and weather data — that help drivers avoid congestion and suggest alternative routes. The location tracking, McKinsey says, will work either from drivers' mobile phones or GPS systems in cars.



The New York Times

U.P.S. Embraces High-Tech Delivery Methods (July 12, 2007)

By "The research at U.P.S. is paying off. ....— saving roughly **three million gallons of fuel** in good part by mapping **routes that minimize left turns.**"



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# Spatial Big Data is transforming our Society!



Google Earth Engine



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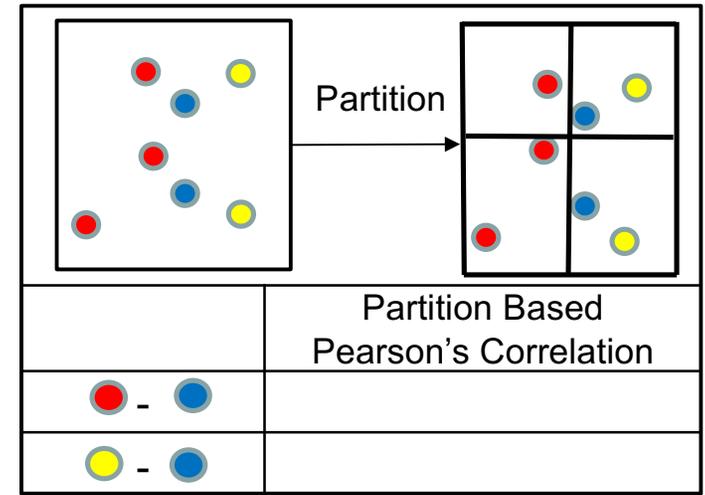
# A few Questions in Transportation Domain

Role	Questions	Pattern Family
Traveler, Commuter	What will be the travel time on a route?	Prediction
Transportation manager	Which corridors are accident-prone?	Hotspot
	Where and when are traffic flow anomalies?	Spatial Outlier
Traffic engineering	Which loop detector stations are very different from their neighbors?	Spatial Outlier
	Where are the congestion (in time and space)?	Hotspot
Planner and researchers	What will be travel demand in future?	Prediction
	How many trucks are there in a parking lot?	Prediction
	What road types are co-located? Where are they?	Co-location
Vehicle engineers	Which locations have high NOx emission? What is co-located there?	Hotspot, Co-location



# Spatial Data Mining

- Challenge:
  - (Data Volume) >> (Number of Human Analysts)
  - Need automated methods
  - Need tools to amplify human capabilities
- Spatial Data are ubiquitous & important
- Current Data Science Tools are inadequate
  - Gerrymandering, Spatial Auto-correlation, ...
- Practitioners in fields including:
  - Transportation, agriculture, weather, environment, ...



**Details:** A UCGIS Call to Action: Bringing the Geospatial Perspective to Data Science Degrees and Curricula.

[https://www.ucgis.org/index.php?option=com\\_dailyplanetblog](https://www.ucgis.org/index.php?option=com_dailyplanetblog)



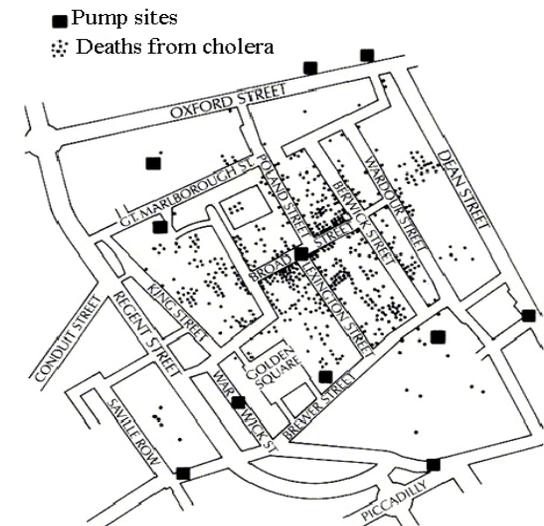
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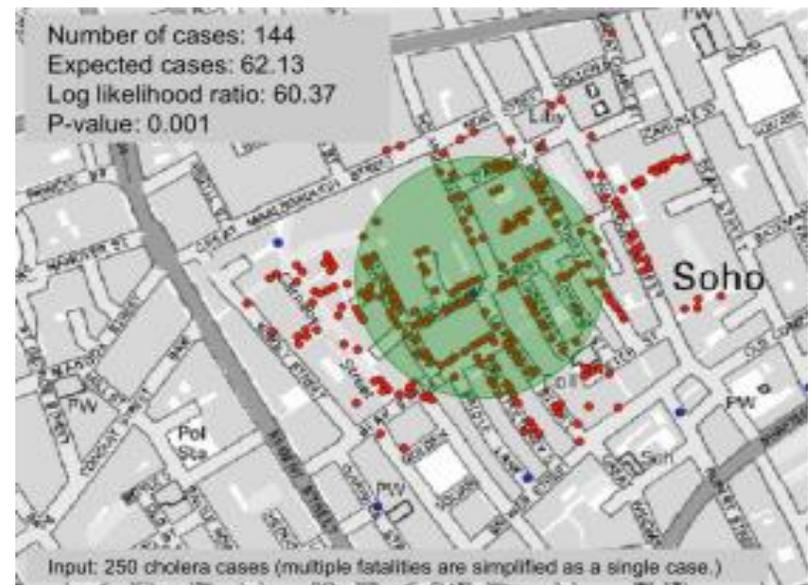
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# Defining Spatial Data Mining

- The process of discovering
  - interesting, useful, non-trivial **patterns**
    - patterns: non-specialist
    - exception to patterns: specialist
  - from large **spatial** datasets



- Spatial pattern families
  - A. Hotspots, Spatial clusters
  - B. Spatial outlier, discontinuities
  - C. Co-locations, co-occurrences
  - D. Spatial classification, prediction
  - E. Object detection
  - F. ...



SaTScan Result

# A. Hotspots, Spatial clusters

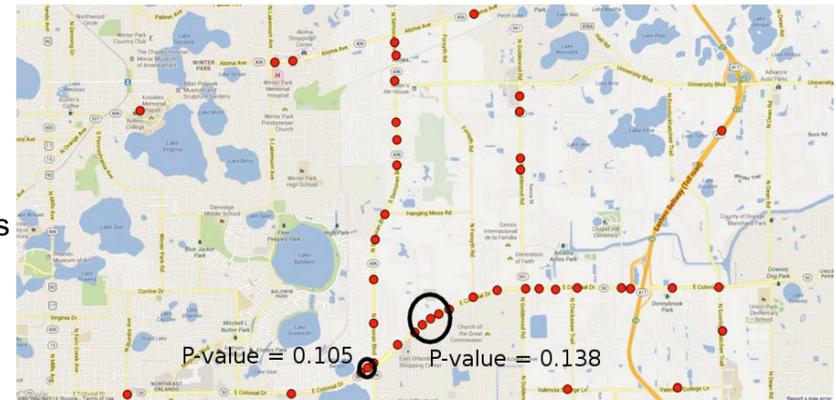
- **Question:** Which corridors are accident-prone?
- **Data:**
  - 43 Pedestrian fatalities in Orlando, FL (2000-9)
  - USDOT Fatality Analysis Reporting System

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/research-data/fatality-analysis-reporting-system-fars>
- **Patterns:**
  - Circular results from SaTScan
  - Linear hotspots
- **Interpretation:**

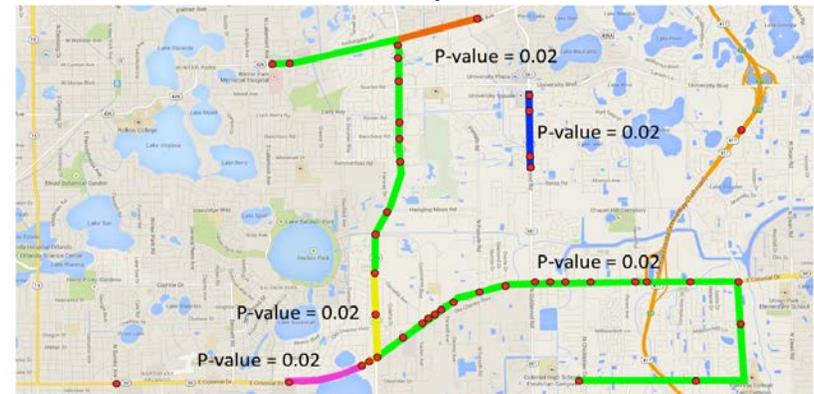
Unsafe pedestrian walkway



SaTScan Result



Linear hotspots



**Details:** Significant Linear Hotspot Discovery (X. Tang et al.).  
*IEEE Transactions on Big Data*, 3(2), pp.140-153, 2017.



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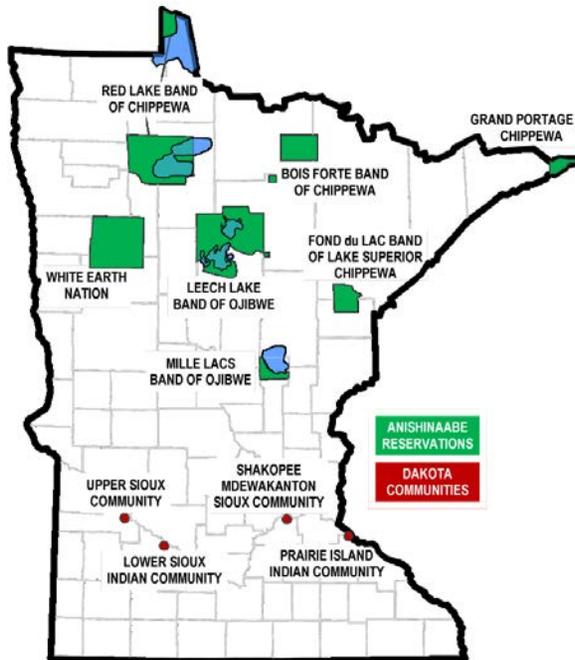
# Minnesota Examples

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## Report shows that pedestrian safety is a major concern on Minnesota's American Indian reservations

More residents get around on foot, often on well-traveled roads

By Kelly Smith | FEBRUARY 18, 2019 — 5:25PM



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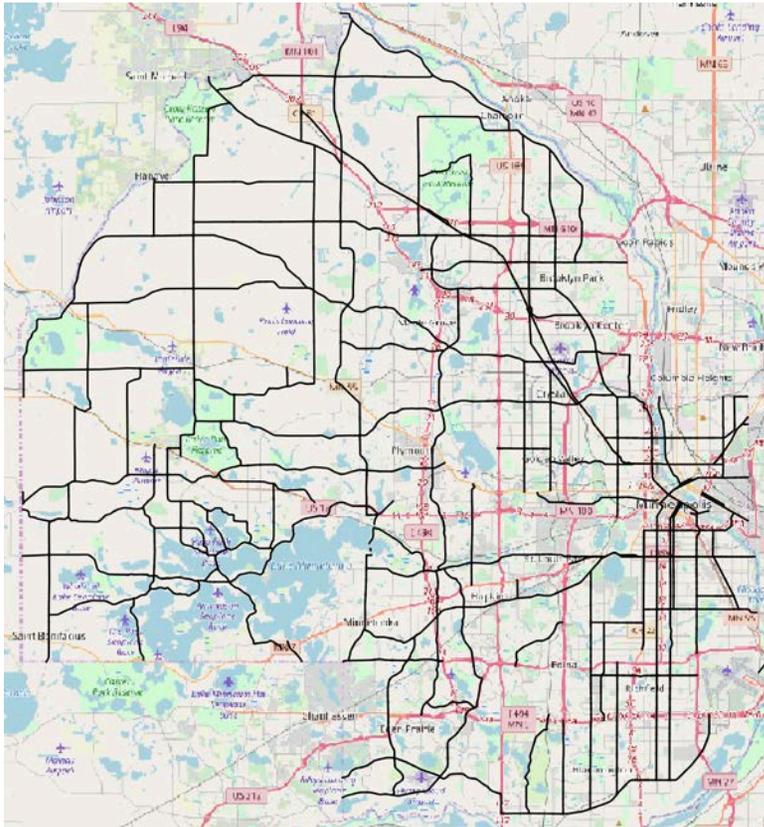
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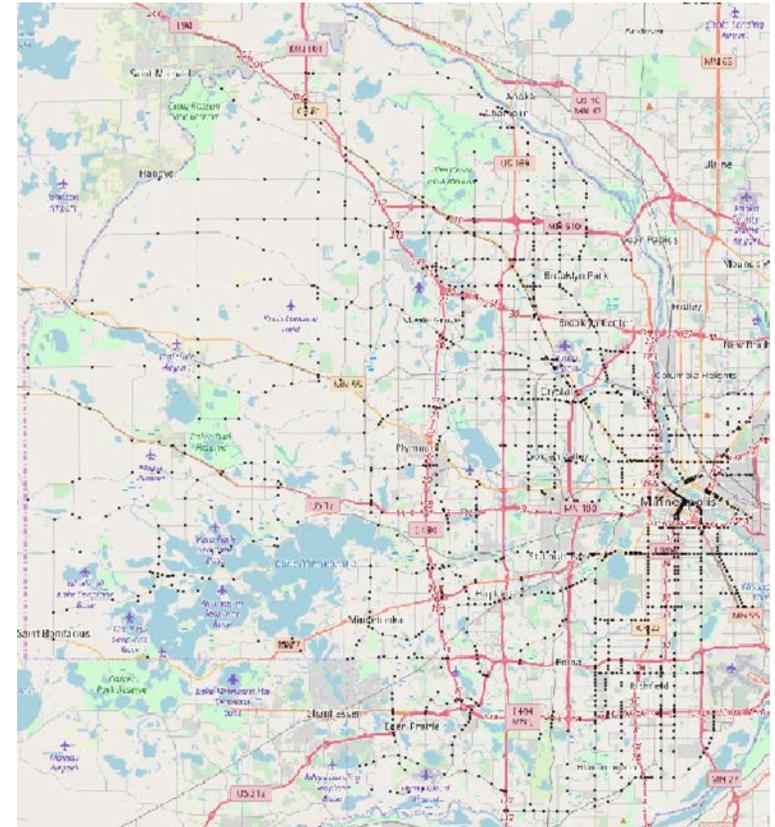
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# A. Hotspots, Spatial clusters: Case Study on Hennepin County Crashes

- **Question:** Which corridors are accident-prone?
- **Data:**
  - 1345 crashes on Hennepin County road intersections (2010 - 2015)
  - Source: Hennepin County Public Works



Major road network



Crashes (black dots)

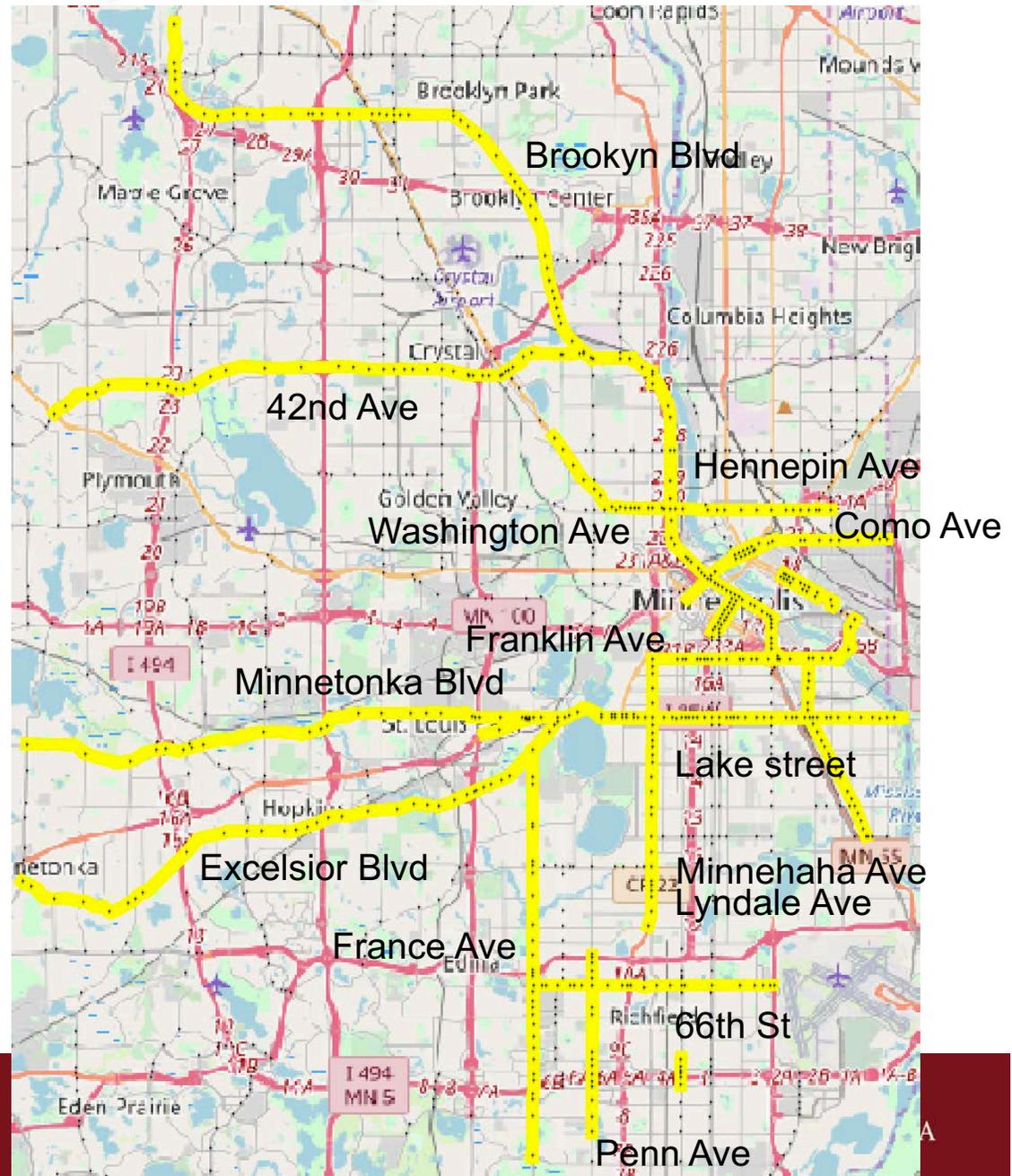
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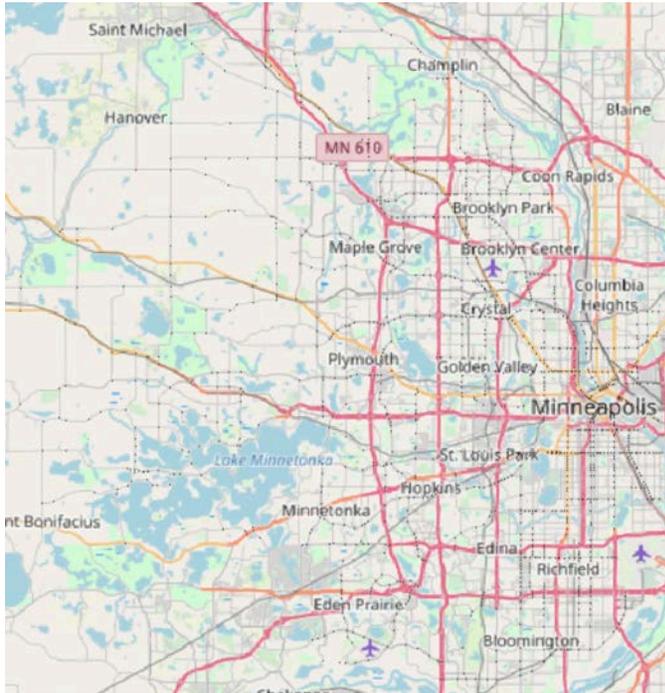
# A. Hotspots, Spatial clusters: Case Study on Hennepin County Crashes

- **Data:**
  - 1345 crashes on Hennepin County major intersections ( 2010-2015 )
  - Source: Hennepin County PWD
- **Patterns:**
  - Linear hotspots ( $p$ -value = 0.05)
    - Minimum length: 500 meters
    - No turns over 45 degrees in the path (constrained on single street)
- **Interpretation:**
  - Intersections to corridors
  - Feasibility study
- **Next:**
  - Include other roads
  - Consider traffic volume

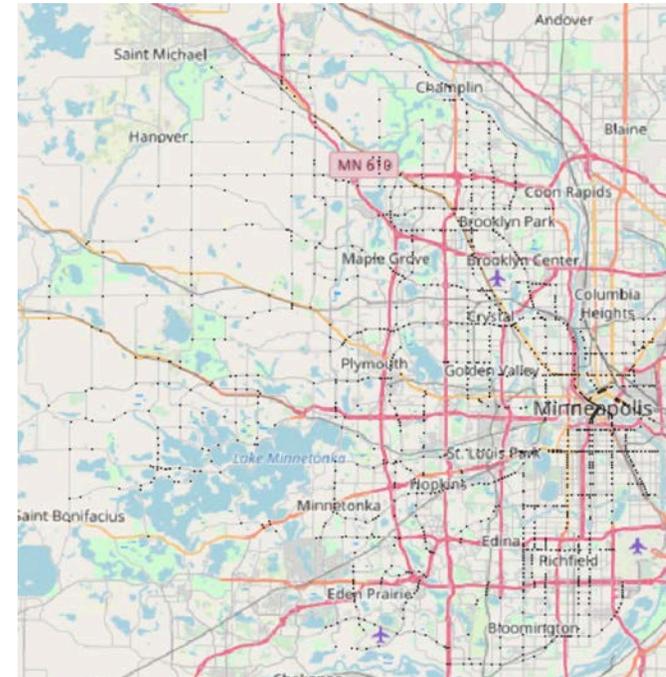


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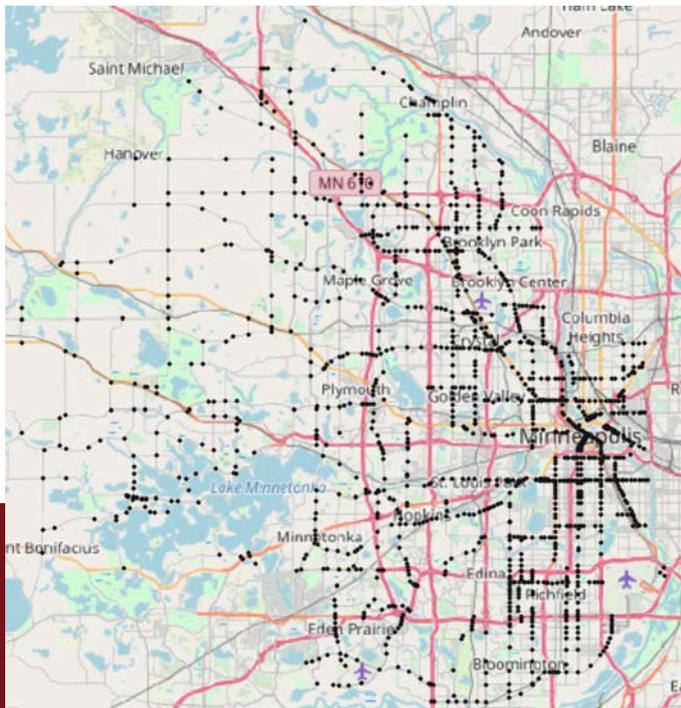
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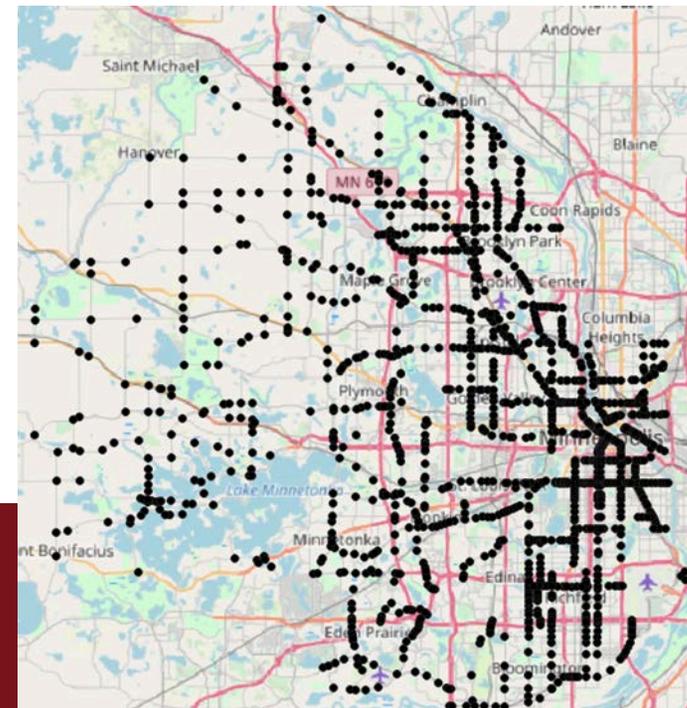
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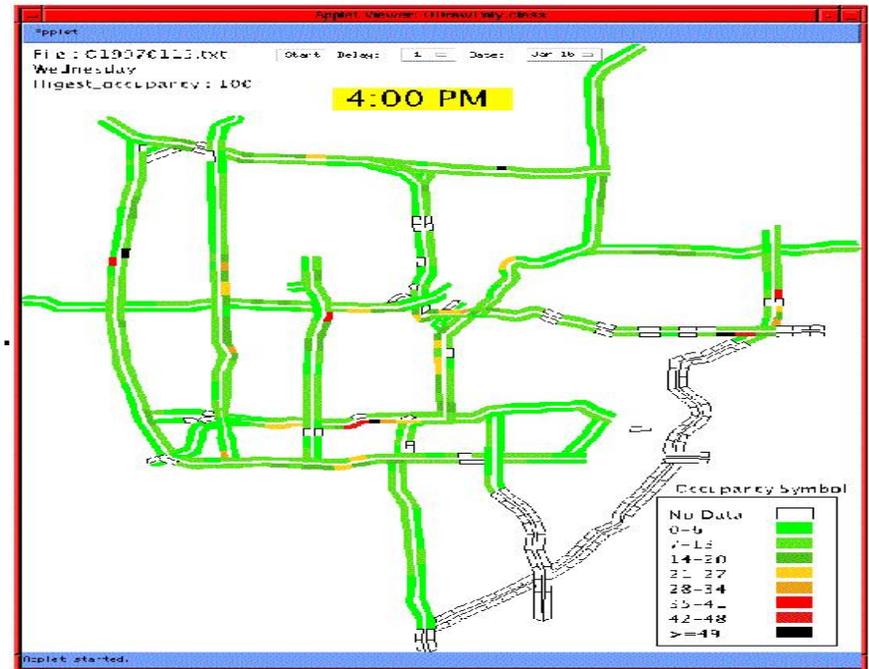


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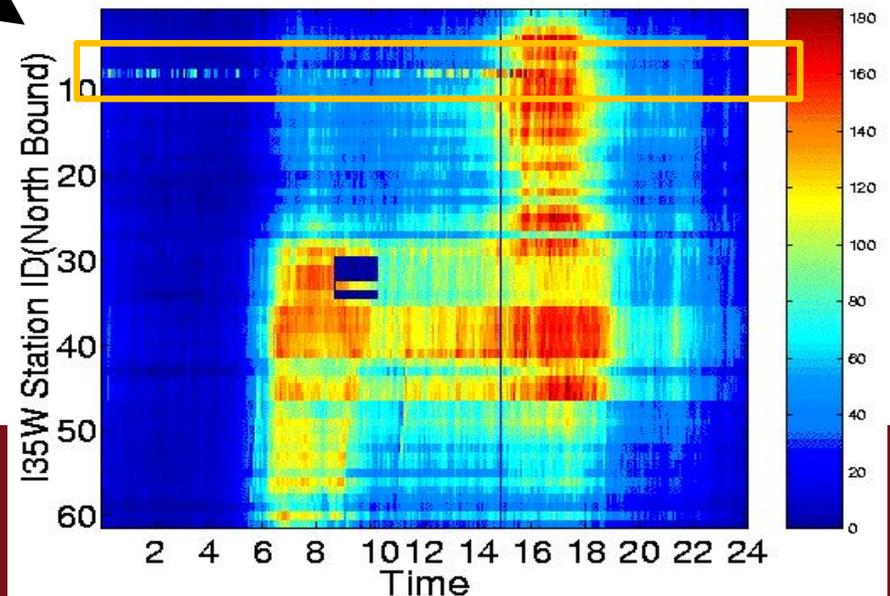


# B. Spatial outlier, Discontinuities

- **Question:** Which loop detector stations are very different from their neighbors?
- **Data:**
  - 900 stations (with 1 to 4 loop detectors each).
- **Pattern:**
  - Spatial outlier at Station 9.
- **Interpretation:**
  - Hypothesis: faulty loop detector?
  - Action: Test station 8 detectors



Average Traffic Volume(Time v.s. Station)



Details: *A unified approach to detecting spatial outliers.*  
GeoInformatica, (S. Shekhar et al.), 7(2), Springer, 2003  
(Summary in ACM SIGKDD '01).

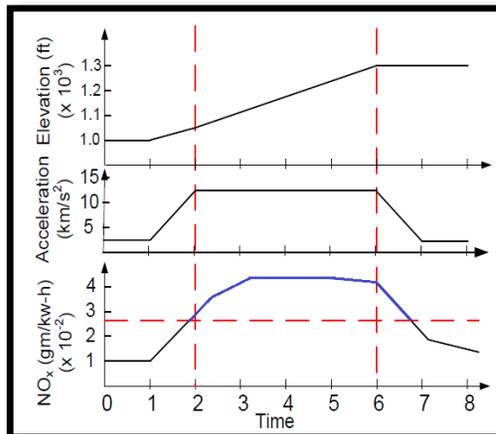
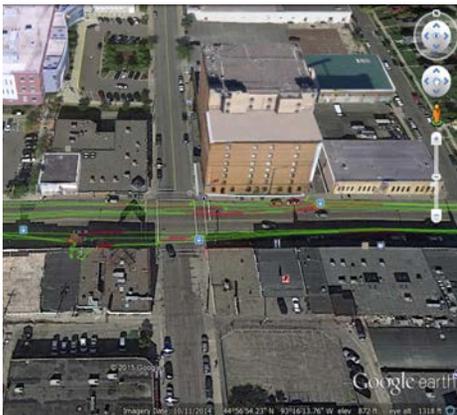
# Discovering Sub-time-series Co-occurrence Patterns of Non-compliance

## Given:

- A set of multivariate event trajectories and a set of non-compliant windows
- A cross-k function threshold  $\epsilon$
- A time lag  $\delta$
- A minimum support threshold *minsupp*

## Find:

- Co-occurrence patterns whose cross-K function at distance  $\delta$  exceeds  $\epsilon$  and whose support exceed *minsupp*



ID	Co-occurrence Pattern C	$\hat{K}_{C, w_N}(2)$
1	Wheel speed: $\{w_0 w_0 w_0 w_1 w_2\}$ Engine RPM: $\{s_1 s_2 s_3 s_3 s_3\}$	21.57
2	Engine power: $\{r_5 r_5 r_5 r_5 r_5\}$ Wheel speed: $\{w_0 w_0 w_0 w_0 w_0\}$ Acceleration: $\{a_{16} a_{16} a_{17} a_{17} a_{17}\}$ Engine RPM: $\{s_1 s_1 s_2 s_3 s_3\}$	16.28
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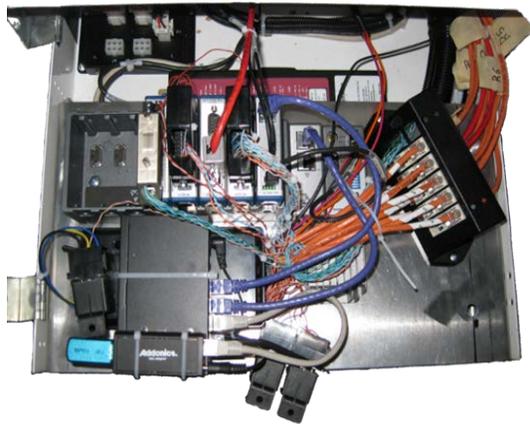


# C. Hotspots, Co-locations, Co-occurrences

■ **Question:** Where are high transit-NOx emissions? What is co-located there?

■ **Data:**

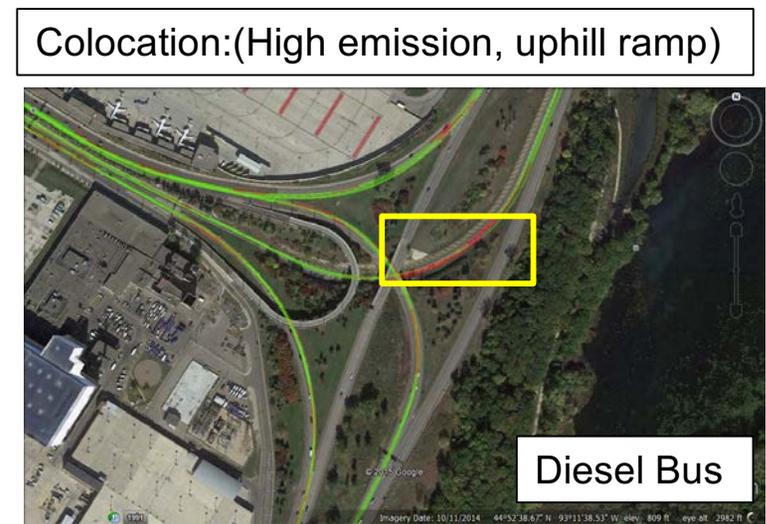
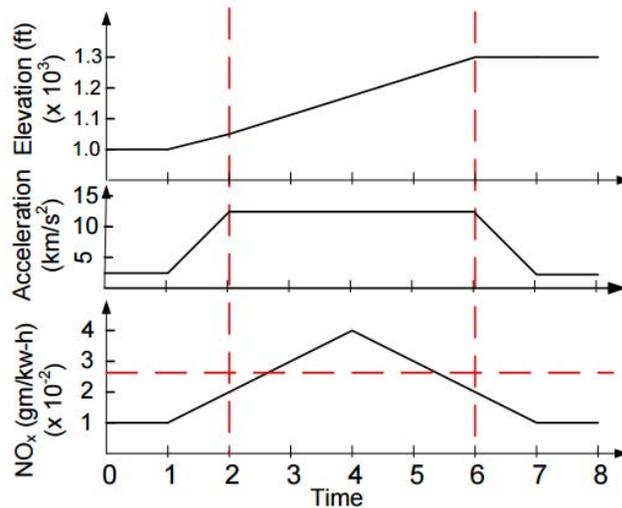
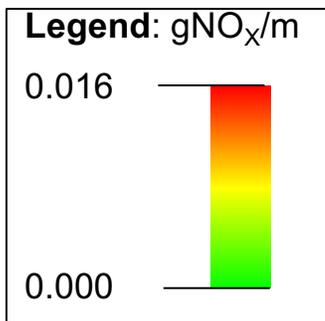
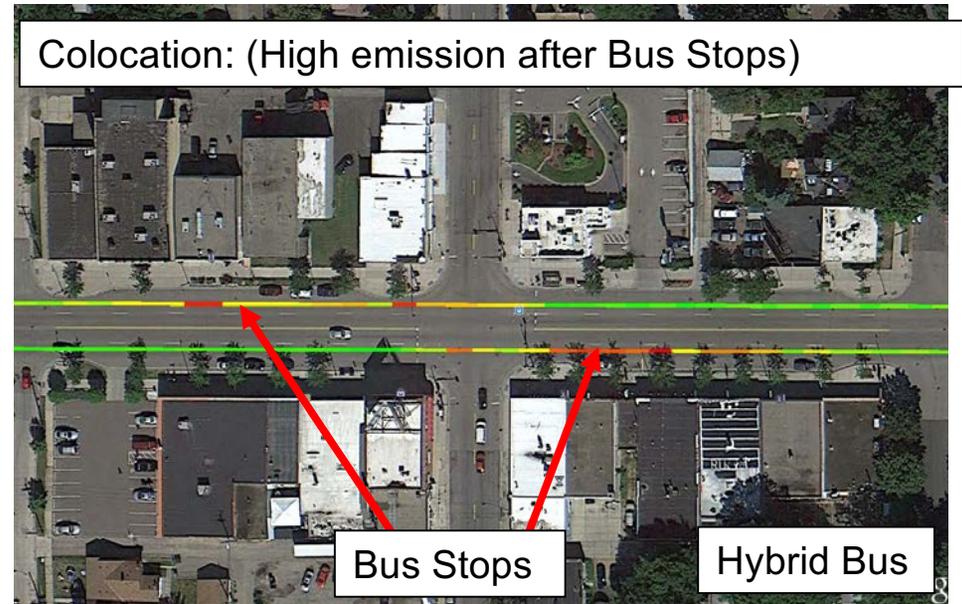
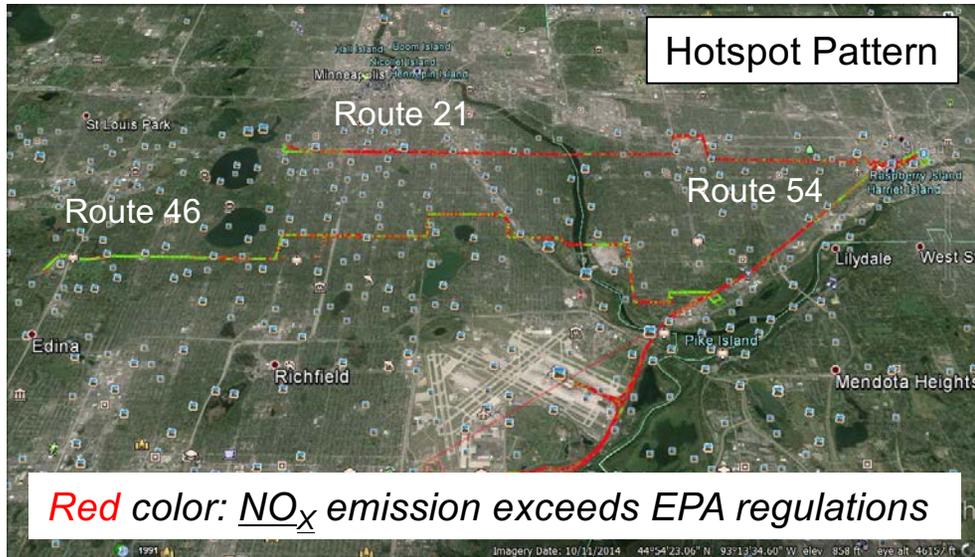
■ On Board Diagnostics Data from Metro-Transit Buses



Variables sampled every second:

- GPS location
- Speed
- Vehicle Load
- Engine and Heater Fuel Flow
- Exhaust Temp and Mass Flow
- Intake Temp And Mass Flow
- Engine Torque and RPM
- Engine Coolant Temp
- Odometer
- **NOx emission**
- 
- 
- ....measurements on 200+ variables

# C. Emission Hotspots, Co-locations



Details: "Discovering non-compliant window co-occurrence patterns: A summary of results." R. Ali et al., Proc. Intl. Symp. on Spatial and Temporal Databases, pp. 391-410. Springer, 2015.

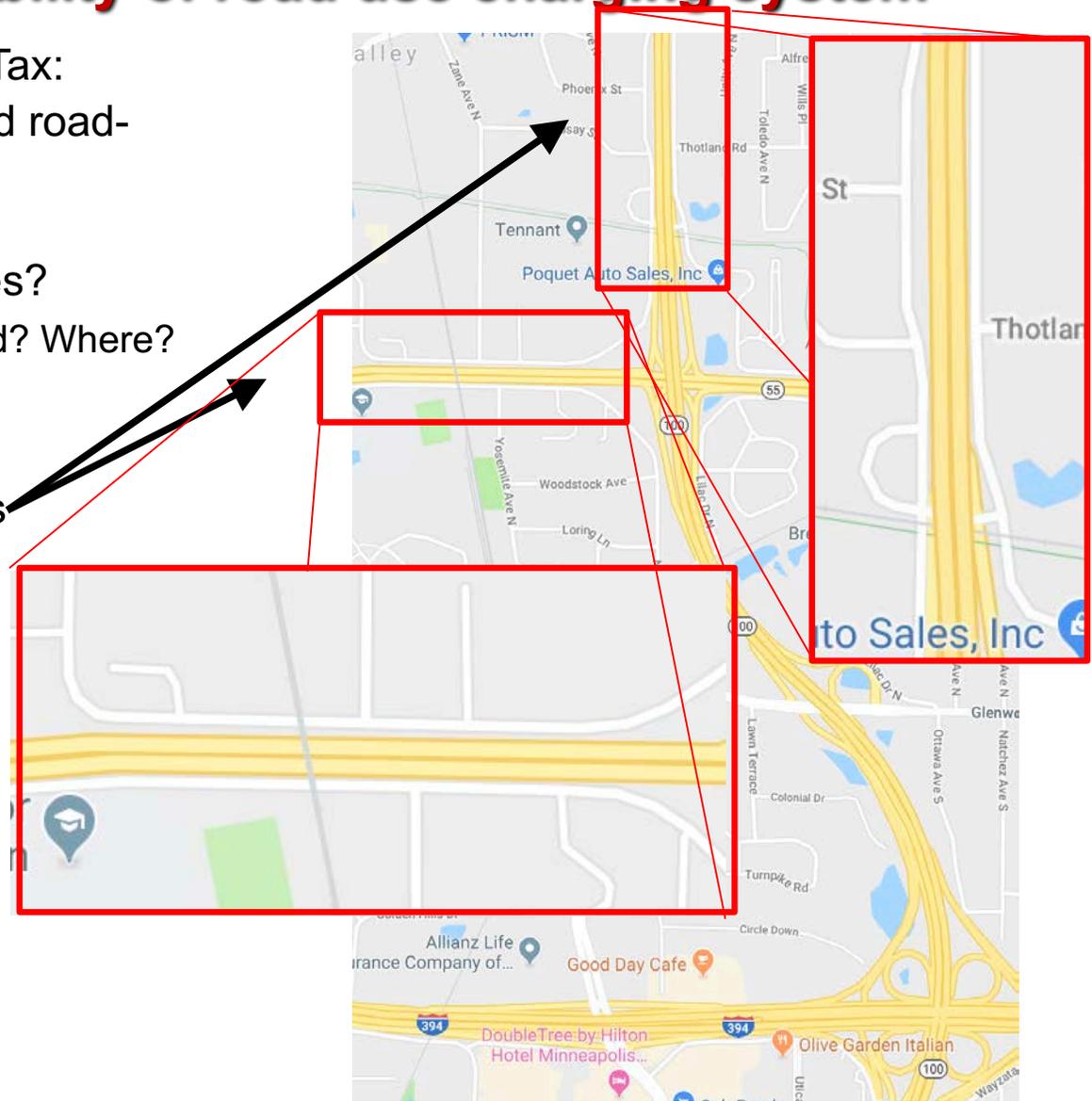


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# C. Co-locations, Co-occurrences

## Case Study: Test feasibility of road use charging system

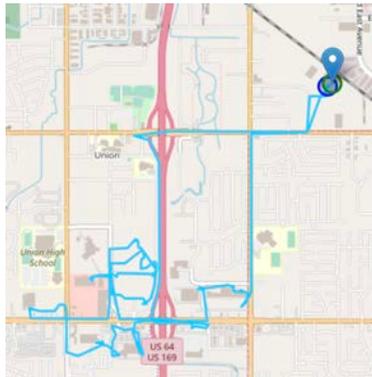
- **Use Case:** Impact of EV on Gas Tax:
- Test technology for road-type based road-usage based charging.
- **Q?** Can GPS distinguish road-types?
- Which road types are closely co-located? Where?
- **Input:** Road map with road-types
- **Pattern:** Co-location of road-types



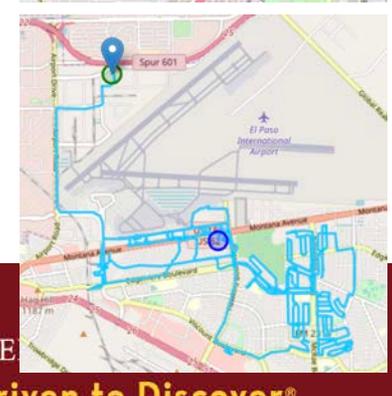
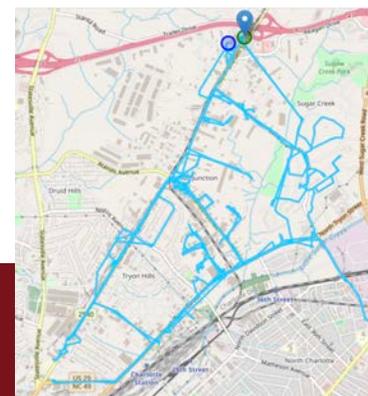
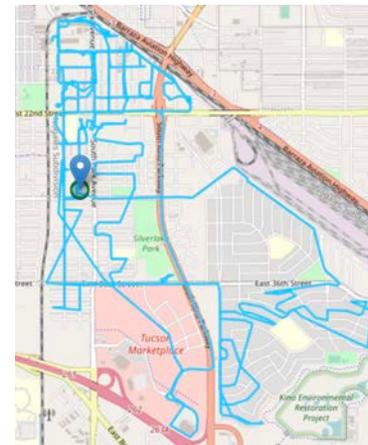
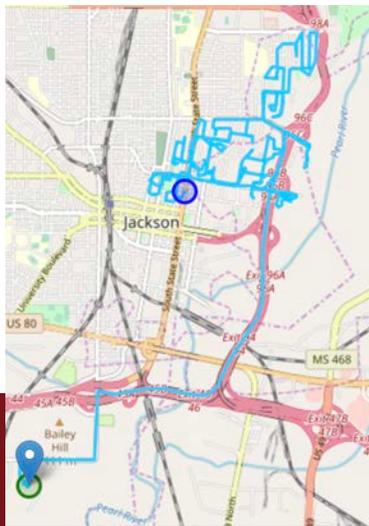
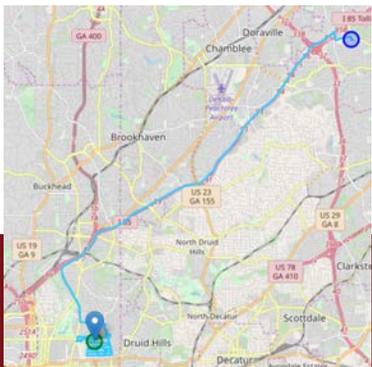
# D. Spatial Classification, Prediction

- **Question:** Are there natural groups for UPS delivery trajectories?
- **Data:** A set of historical trajectories with on-board diagnostic data from UPS trucks.
- **Pattern:** Clusters of trajectories with similar spatial properties.
- **Interpretation:** Delivery zones are small, but the distance between each delivery zone and UPS depots is different.

Trajectories composed of only local road trips



Trajectories composed of highway and local road trips

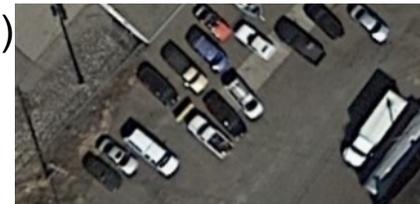


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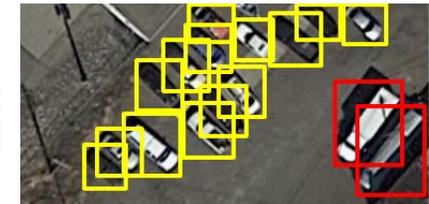
# E. Geospatial Object Detection

- **Q:?** How many trucks are there in a lot? City?
- **Ex.:** Estimate truck supply in a city (CH Robinson)
- **Data:**
  - Aerial imagery (3 inch pixels )
    - Hennepin & Ramsey counties
  - NAIP Imagery (1 meter pixels, 2017)
    - MA Buildings Dataset.  
<https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~vmnih/data/>
- **Pattern:**
  - Detected geospatial objects
    - Cars, trucks,
    - Houses, ...

car  truck 



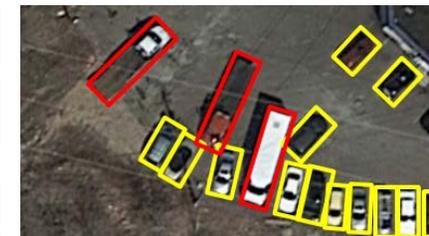
Input training image



Input training MOBRs



Test image



Output MBRs



YOLO (baseline)



Proposed method

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## Realizing the Potential of Data Science

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# Teaching Data Science: Many Flowers Blooming

- **University of California, Berkeley:**
  - Recently established division of data science (same level as college and school)
  - Opened Introductory, foundational, and advanced courses.
  - Undergraduate program in Data Science
- **University of Michigan, Ann Arbor:**
  - Undergraduate program in Data Science
- **Columbia University:**
  - Master of Data Science offered by Data Science Institute
- **University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign:**
  - Master of Computer Science in Data Science offered as an online professional course
- **University of Chicago:**
  - Master of Science in Computational Analysis and Public Policy program

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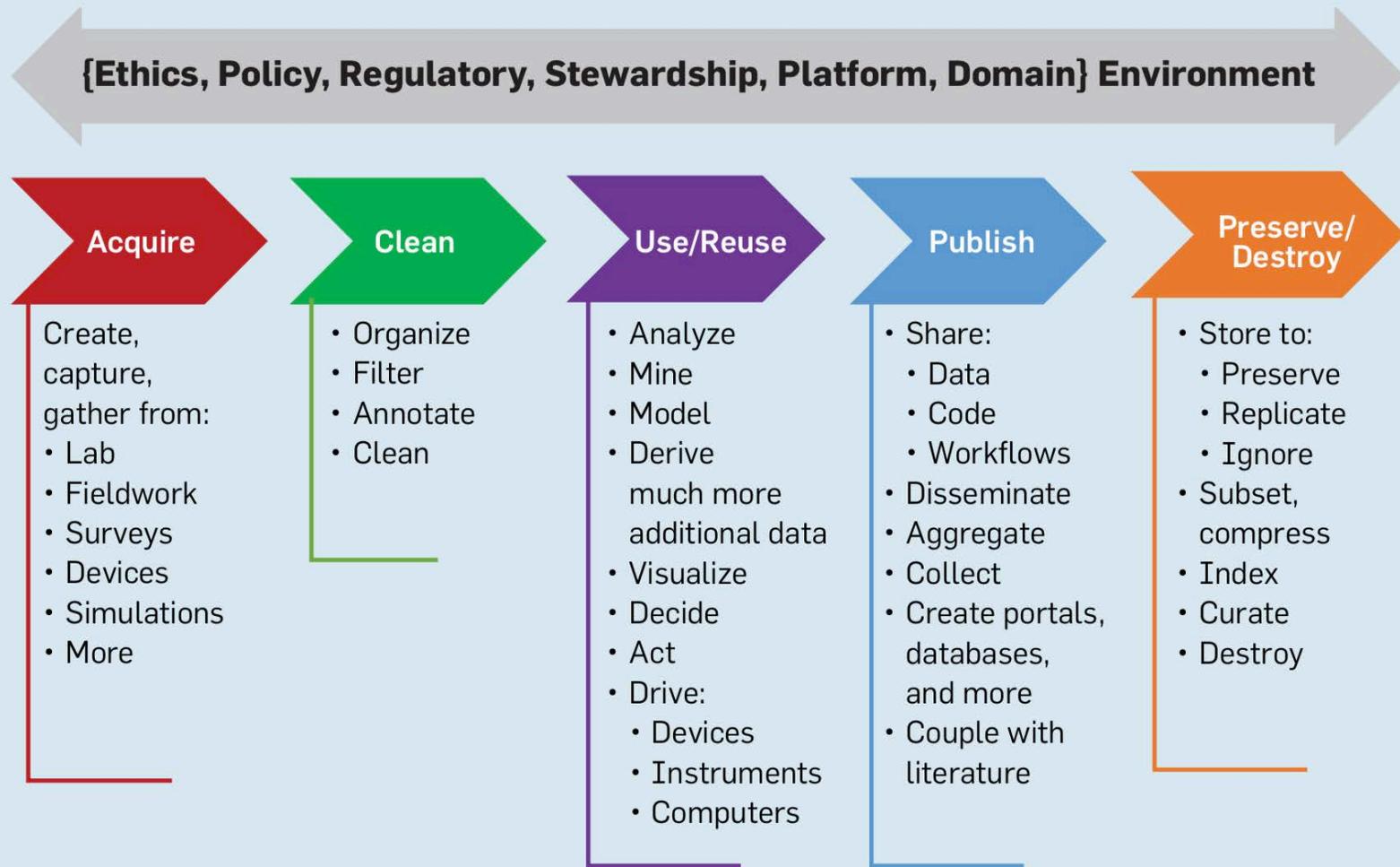


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# Data Life Cycle

The data life cycle and surrounding data ecosystem from the *Realizing the Potential of Data Science Report*.<sup>2</sup>



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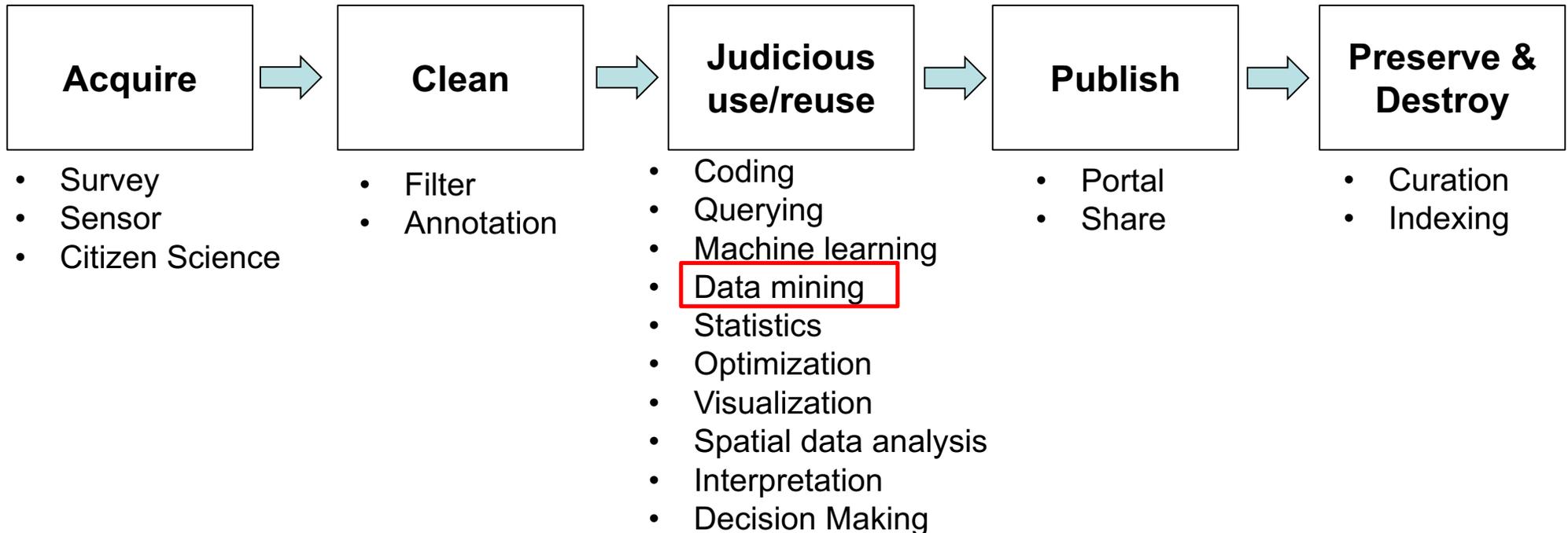
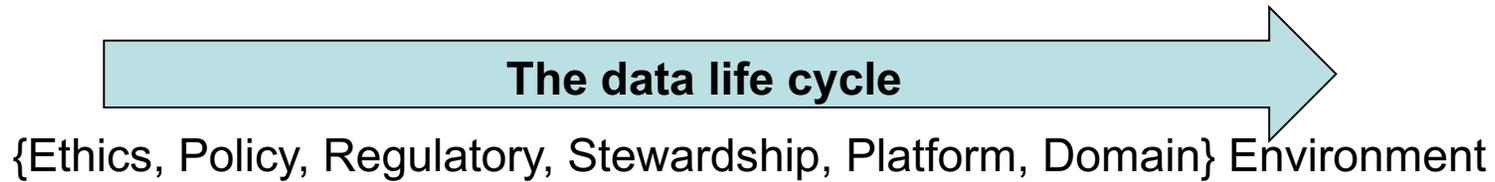
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# Data Science Skills



# Data Science Tools

Skills	Tools
Coding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Python</li><li>• Matlab</li></ul>
Querying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SQL</li><li>• Hive</li></ul>
Machine learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scikit-learn</li><li>• Tensorflow</li><li>• Mllib for Spark</li></ul>
Data mining	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rapid miner</li><li>• Oracle data mining</li><li>• Weka</li></ul>
Statistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• R</li><li>• SAS</li></ul>
Optimization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cplex</li><li>• GAMS</li><li>• GUrobi</li></ul>
Spatial data analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ArcGIS</li><li>• QGIS</li><li>• SaTScan</li></ul>



# Education in Data Science - UMN

Name of Degrees		Focused skills	Name of Schools
<b>Bachelor</b>	Coming soon		College of Science & Engineering College of Liberal Arts School of Public Health
<b>Certificate (12 credits)</b>	Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Data Science	Coding, Querying, Machine learning, Data mining	
<b>Master (31 credits)</b>	<u>Master's of Science in Data Science</u>		Carlson School of Management
	<u>Master of Science in Business Analytics</u>	Interpretation, Decision making	College of Science and Engineering • Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering (ISyE)
	<u>M.S. in Industrial and Systems Engineering - Analytics Track</u>	Optimization, Decision making	

Master's of Science in Data Science [https://www.cs.umn.edu/graduate/ms\\_data\\_science](https://www.cs.umn.edu/graduate/ms_data_science)

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  - Bhargava Receives Best the M.S. Data Science Poster award:** Data Science student Akhil Bhargava received the poster award at this year's Data Science Fair. He was honored for his project, "Network in Performing..."
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  - Home | Academics | Business Analytics**
  - Master of Science in Business Analytics**
  - The Carlson School Master's in Business Analytics (MSBA) program teaches students how to lead in an increasingly data-driven world with creative data analysis, and then, real business settings. Students graduate with a combination of data science skills and business acumen to lead in an increasingly data-driven world.
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  - Home » Degree Programs » MS-Analytics Track**
  - M.S. in ISyE - Analytics Track**
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  - Analytics is the process of using data to generate insights and make decisions. With the proliferation of data sources, wide availability of computational tools, and business' desire to gain a competitive advantage, Analytics has become its own cross-disciplinary field. Its practitioners are in high demand: A 2016 report by the McKinsey Global Institute indicates that it is likely that demand for analytics employees will outstrip the supply of available analytics talent.
  - Why ISyE?**
  - Analytics encompasses a variety of areas including optimization, statistics, computing, data analysis, and communication. Our program emphasizes fundamentals in these areas. Through our program, students gain a strong foundation in these areas. Through our program, students gain a strong foundation in these areas. Through our program, students gain a strong foundation in these areas.
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  - A New Degree for the Modern Digital Age**
  - The M.S. in Data Science program provides a strong foundation in the science of Big Data, its analysis, and the fundamental concepts behind its cutting-edge research methods.
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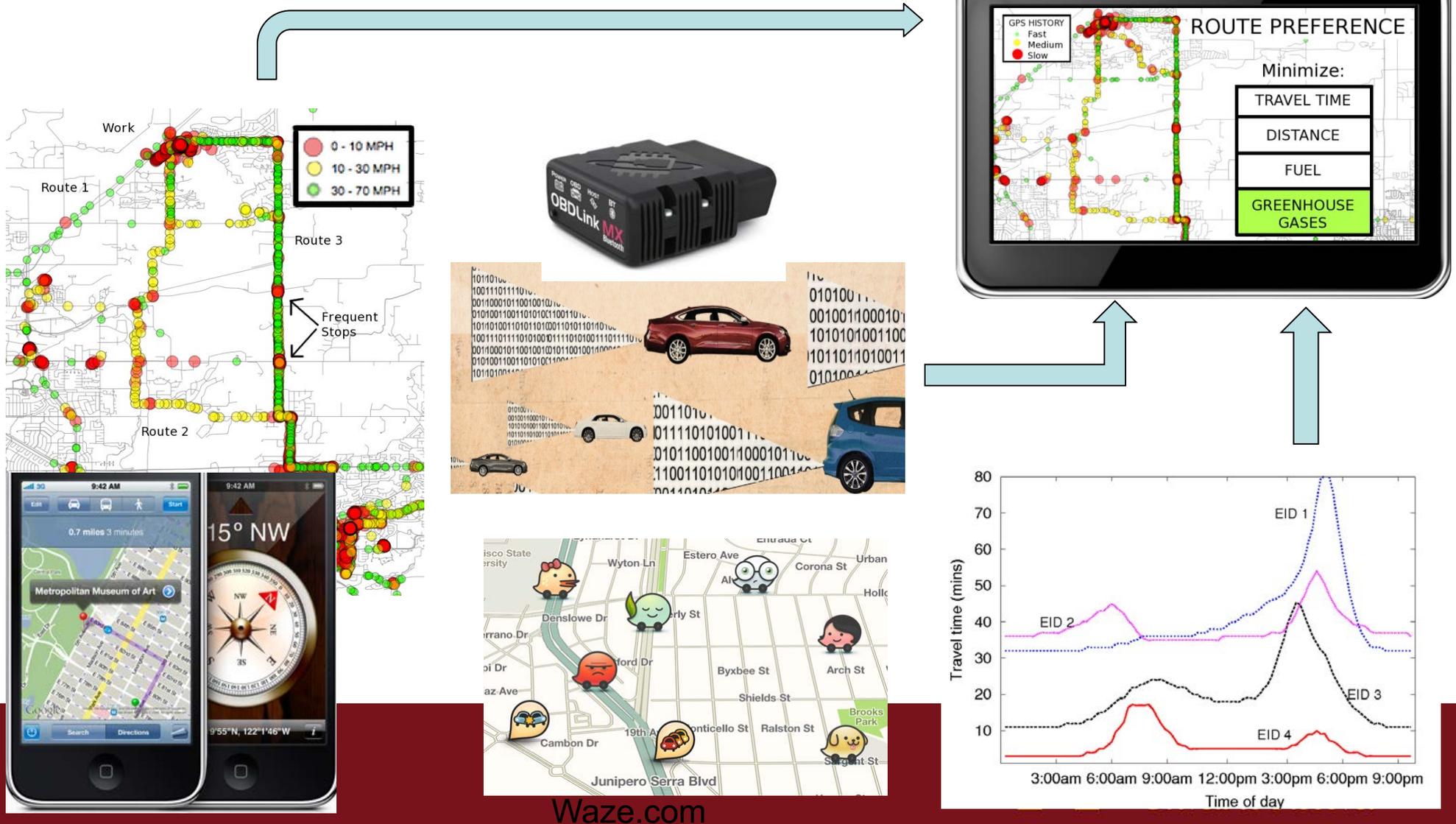
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