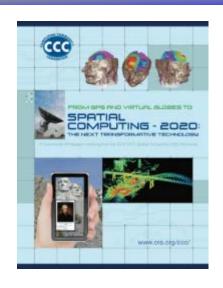
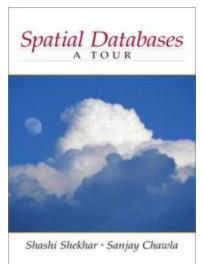
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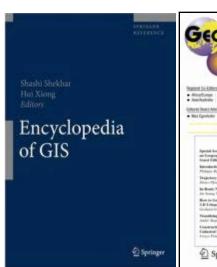
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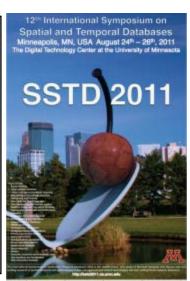
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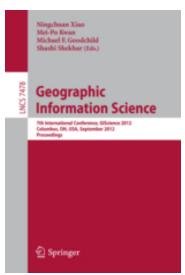












# Courses

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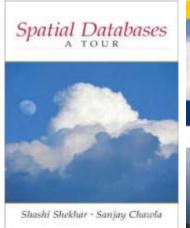


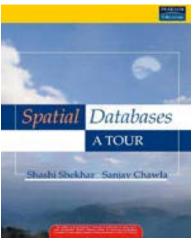
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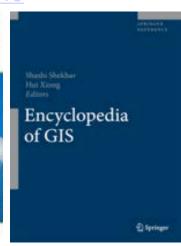
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**Current Students** 









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Alumni in Government Agency







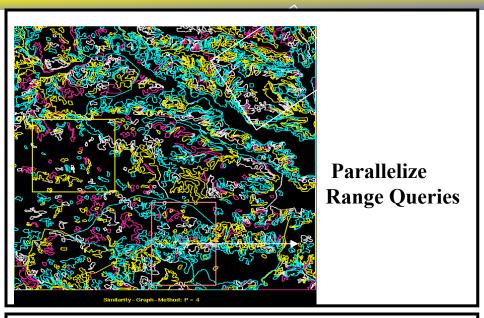


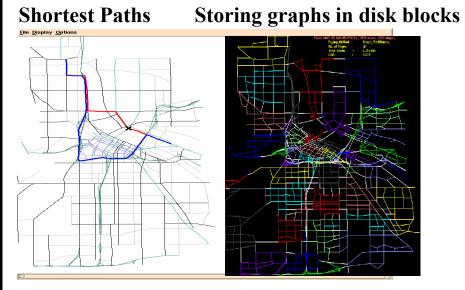


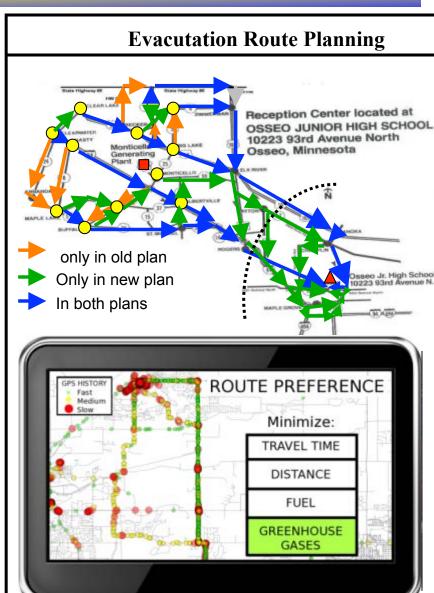




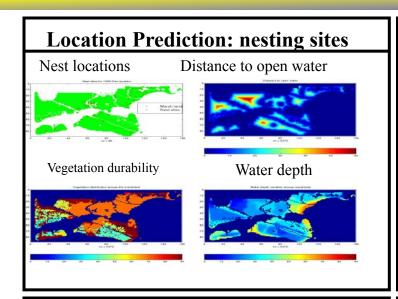
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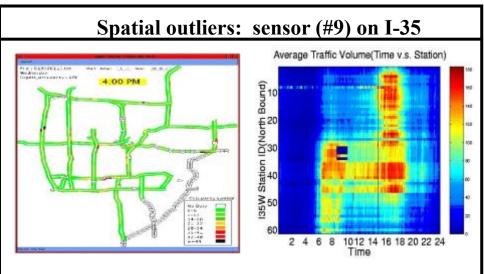


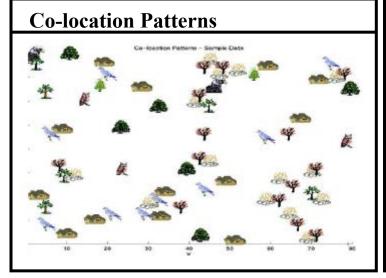


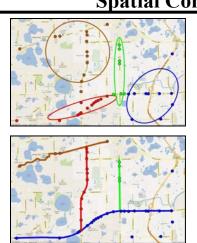


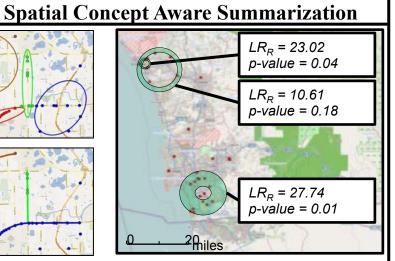
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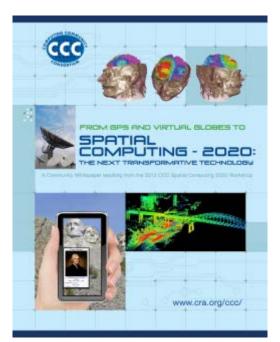








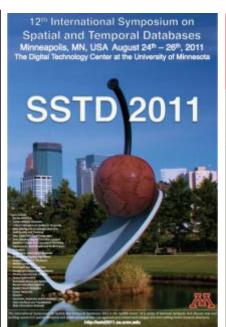
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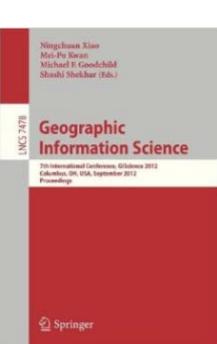
Spatial Computing
Visioning Workshop
Computing Community
Consortium (CCC)



Geoinformatica Journal



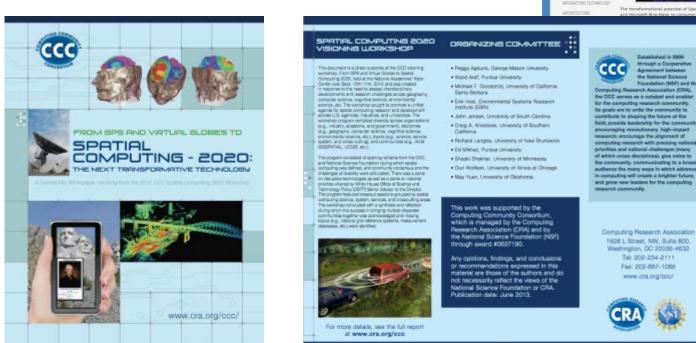
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GIScience Conference 2012

### Sources

- From GPS and Virtual Globes to Spatial Computing 2020, CCC Report, 2013.
   www.cra.org/ccc/visioning/visioning-activities/spatial-computing
- With few slides on work from presenter's group
   Identifying patterns in spatial information: a survey of methods,
   Wiley Interdisc. Reviews: Data Mining and Know. Discovery,
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### **Outline**

- Introduction
  - Spatial Computing Audience: Niche => Everyone
  - Spatial Computing 2020 Workshop
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# What is Spatial Computing?

- Transformed our lives though understanding spaces and places
  - Examples: localization, navigation, site selection, mapping,
  - Examples: spatial context, situation assessment (distribution, patterns), ...



























# The Changing World of Spatial Computing

	Last Century	Last Decade
Map User	Well-trained few	Billions
Mappers	Well-trained few	Billions
Software, Hardware	Few layers, e.g., Applications: Arc/GIS, Databases: SQL3/OGIS	Almost all layers
User Expectations & Risks	Modest	Many use-case & Geo-privacy concerns

# It is widely used by Government!

Geospatial Information and Geographic Information Systems (GIS): An Overview for Congress



### Table I. Members of the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC)

Dept. of Agriculture

Dept. of Commerce

Dept. of Defense

Dept. of Energy

Dept. of Health and Human Services

Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

Dept. of the Interior (Chair)

Dept. of Justice

Dept. of State

Dept. of Transportation

Environmental Protection Agency

Federal Emergency Management Agency

General Services Administration

Library of Congress

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

National Archives and Records Administration

National Science Foundation

Tennessee Valley Authority

Office of Management and Budget (Co-Chair)

# It is only a start! Bigger Opportunities Ahead!

# McKinsey Global Institute

Big data: The next frontier for innovation, competition, and productivity

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 Hork Times

Published: May 13, 2011

New Ways to Exploit Raw Data May Bring Surge of Innovation, a Study Says

# CCC Visioning Workshop: Making a Case for Spatial Computing 2020 http://cra.org/ccc/spatial\_computing.php



#### **Funded Visioning Activities**

Disaster Management SEES IT HealthIT Interactive Tech Architecture XLayer Robotics Learning Tech
Open Source Cyber Physical Systems Global Development Theoretical CS Big Data Computing NetSE
Spatial Computing

#### From GPS and Virtual Globes to Spatial Computing-2020

#### About the workshop

This workshop outlines an effort to develop and promote a unified agenda for Spatial Computing research and development across US agencies, industries, and universities. See the original workshop proposal **here**.

#### Spatial Computing

Spatial Computing is a set of ideas and technologies that will transform our lives by understanding the physical world, knowing and communicating our relation to places in that world, and navigating through those places.

The transformational potential of Spatial Computing is already evident. From Virtual Globes such as Google Maps and Microsoft Bing Maps to consumer GPS devices, our society has benefitted immensely from spatial technology. We've reached the point where a hiker in Yellowstone, a schoolgirl in DC, a biker in Minneapolis, and a taxi driver in Manhattan know precisely where they are, nearby points of interest, and how to reach their destinations. Large

#### Logistics

Date: Sept. 10th-11th, 2012 Location: Keck Center Hotel: Liaison Hotel

#### Steering Committee

Erwin Gianchandani

Hank Korth

#### Organizing Committee

Peggy Agouris, George Mason University

Walid Aref, Purdue University

Michael F. Goodchild, University of California -Santa Barbara

# Workshop Participants

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John Jensen, University of South Carolina  Daniel Keefe, University of Minnesota  John Keyser, Texas A&M University  Craig A. Knoblock, Information	at Chicago  Mike Worboys, University of Maine  May Yuan, University of Oklahoma  Avideh Zakhor, University of		Tandy Warnow, NSF Nicole Wayant, Army Research Mark Weiss, NSF Maria Zemankova, NSF
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14 Organizations

12 Agencies

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# Workshop Highlights

#### **Agenda**

- Identify fundamental research questions for individual computing disciplines
- Identify cross-cutting research questions requiring novel, multi-disciplinary solutions









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- Michael F. Goodchild, University of California Santa Barbara
- Erik Hoel, Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI)
- John Jensen, University of South Carolina
- Craig A. Knoblock, University of Southern California
- Richard Langley, University of New Brunswick
- Ed Mikhail, Purdue University
- Ouri Wolfson, University of Illinois
- May Yuan, University of Oklahoma

### Workshop Highlights

Pull Panel: National Priorities, Societal Applications of Spatial Computing

Chair: Henry Kelly, OSTP

Members

US-DoD: Eric Vessey

US-DoD: Todd Johanesen

NIH/NIEHS: Michelle Heacock

NASA: John L Schnase

DHS: Nabil Adam

NSF EarthCube: Clifford Jacobs

DOT: Walton Fehr

DOE: Alicia Lindauer

Push Panel: Spatial Computing (SC) Platform Trends, Disruptive

Technologies

Chair: Dinesh Manocha, UNC

Members:

Graphics & Vision: John Keyser, TAMU

Interaction Devices: Steven Feiner, Columbia University

LiDAR: Avideh Zakhor, UCB

GPS Modernization: Mark Abrams, Advisor to USG

Cell Phones: Ramon Caceres, AT&T

Indoor Localization: Greg Welch, UNC

Internet Localization: Rajesh Gupta, UCSD

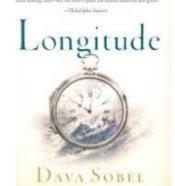
Cloud Computing: Divyakant Agarwal, UCSB

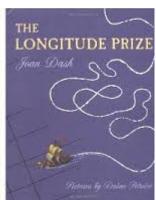
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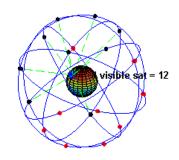
# Global Positioning Systems (GPS)

- Positioning ships
  - Latitude f(compass, star positions)
  - Longitude: dead-reckoning => marine chronometer
  - Longitude prize (1714), accuracy in nautical miles

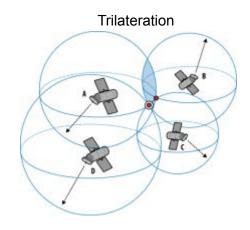




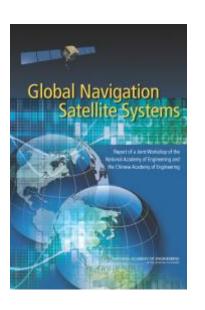
- Global Navigation Satellite Systems
  - Infrastructure: satellites, ground stations, receivers, ...
  - Use: Positioning (sub-centimeter), Clock synchronization



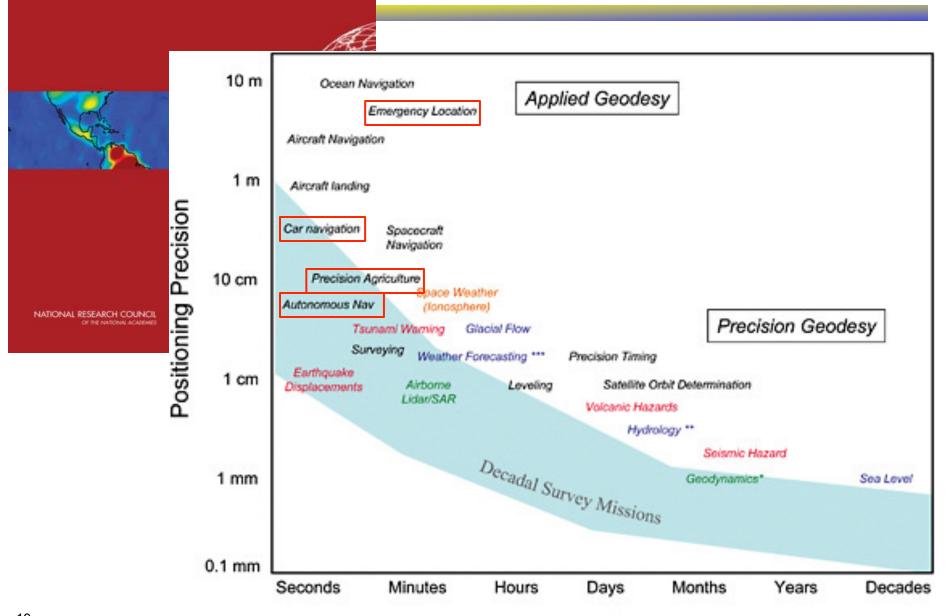
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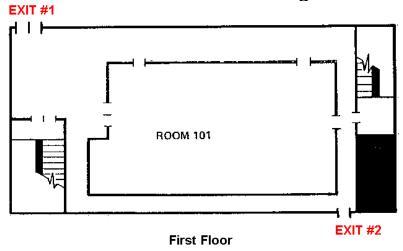
# **Positioning Precision**



Time Scale

# Trends: Localization Indoors and Underground

- GPS works outdoors, but,
  - We are indoors 90% of time!
  - Ex. malls, hospitals, airports, etc.
  - Indoor asset tracking, exposure hotposts, ...
- Leveraging existing indoor infrastructure
  - Blue Tooth, WiFi, Cell-towers, cameras, Other people?
- How to model indoors for navigation, tracking, hotspots, ...?
  - What are nodes and edges?









http://www.mobilefringe.com/products/square-one-shopping-center-app-for-iphone-and-android/

Get In-Store Notifications

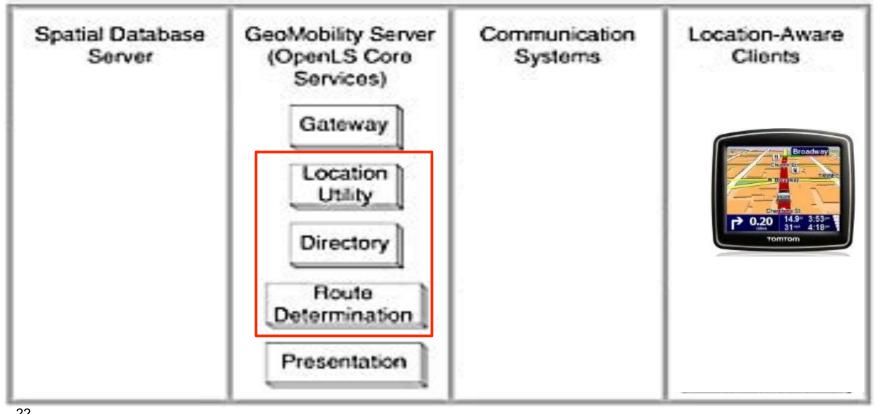


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  - Queries => Persistent Monitoring
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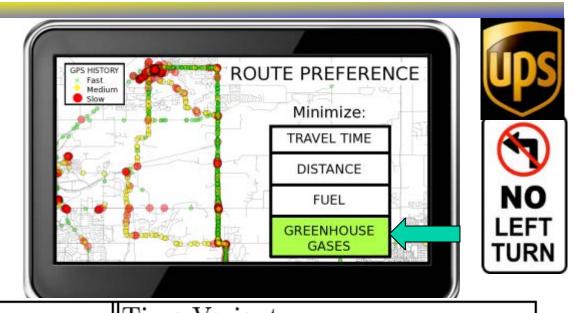
### **Location Based Services**

- Open Location Services: Queries
  - Location: Where am I? (street address, < latitude, longitude >
  - Directory: Where is the nearest clinic (or doctor)?
  - Routes: What is the shortest path to reach there?



### **Next Generation Navigation Services**

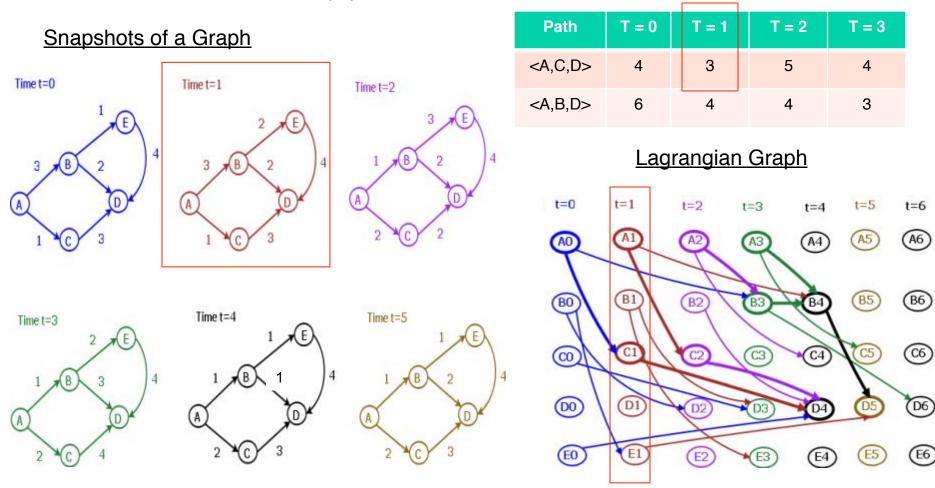
- □ Eco-Routing
- Best start time
- □ Road-capacity aware



Static	Time-Variant
Which is the shortest travel time	*****
path from downtown Minneapolis	
to airport?	
	unics in a work day.

### Routing Challenges: Lagrangian Frame of Reference

#### Q? What is the cost of Path <A,C,D> with start-time t=1? Is it 3 or 4?



**Details**:A Critical-Time-Point Approach to All-Start-Time Lagrangian Shortest Paths: A Summary of Results, (w/ V. Gunturi et al.), Proc. Intl. Symp. on Spatial and Temporal Databases, Springer LNCS 6849, 2011. Complete results accepted for the IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering.

### Spatio-temporal Graphs: Computational Challenges

#### Ranking changes over time

#### Waits, Non FIFO Behavior

Violates stationary assumption in

**Dynamic Programming** 

Time	<b>Preferred Routes</b>	
7:30am	Via Hiawatha	
8:30am	Via Hiawatha	
9:30am	via 35W	
10:30am	via 35W	

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Time	Route	Flight Time
8:30am	via Detroit	6 hrs 31 mins
9:10am	direct flight	2 hrs 51 mins
11:00am	via Memphis	4 hrs 38mins
11:30am	via Atlanta	6 hrs 28 mins

Violate assumption of Dijkstra/A\*

2 hrs 51 mins

direct flight

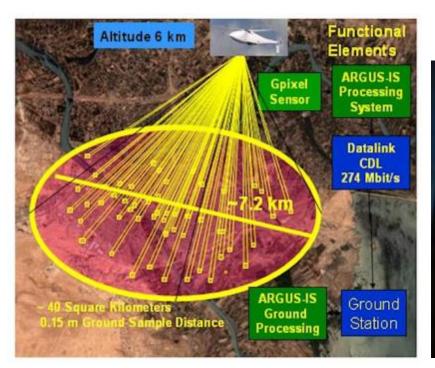
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2:30pm

<sup>\*</sup>Flights between Minneapolis and Austin (TX)

### Trends: Persistent Geo-Hazard Monitoring

- Environmental influences on our health & safety
  - air we breathe, water we drink, food we eat
- Surveillance
  - Passive > Active > Persistent
  - How to economically cover all locations all the time ?
  - Crowd-sourcing, e.g., smartphones, tweets,
  - Wide Area Motion Imagery











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  - From Mathematical (e.g., hotspot)
  - To Spatial (e.g., hot features)
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### Hotel That Enlivened the Bronx Is Now a 'Hot Spot' for Legionnaires'

By WINNIE HU and NOAH REMNICK AUG. 10, 2015

#### **Contaminated Cooling Towers**

Five buildings have been identified as the potential source of the Legionnaires' disease outbreak in the South Bronx.

- Possible sources of Legionnaires' outbreak
- Additional sites found with legionella bacteria
- Locations of people with Legionnaires'





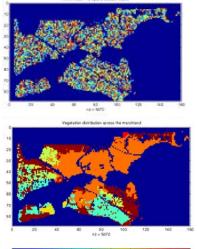
By The New York Times

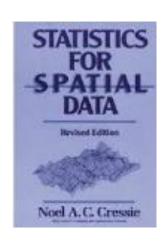


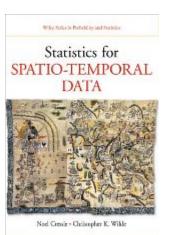
The Opera House Hotel is at the center of the outbreak. Edwin J. Torres for The New York Times

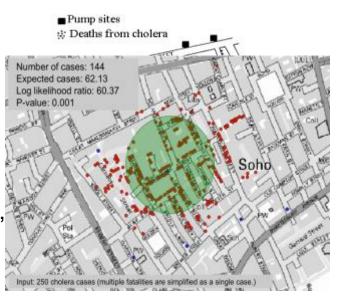
# Spatial Statistics: Mathematical Concepts

- Spatial Statistics
  - Quantify uncertainty, confidence, ...
  - Is it significant?
  - Is it different from a chance event or rest of dataset?
    - e.g., SaTScan finds circular hot-spots
- Model Auto-correlation, Heterogeneity, Edge-effect,
  - Point Process, e.g., Ripley's K-functions, SatScan
  - Geo-statistics, e.g., Kriging, GWR
  - Lattice-based models

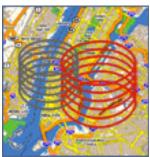








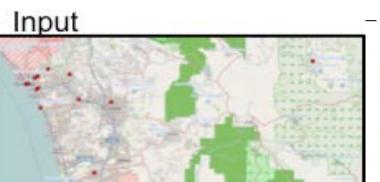




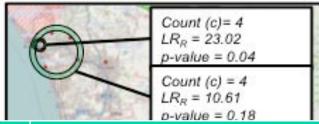


### Semantic Gap between Spatial and Machine Learning

- Representation choices beyond Linear Algebra
- Environmental Criminology
  - Routine Activities Theory, Crime Pattern Theory, Doughnut Hole pattern
- Formulation: rings, where inside density is significantly higher than outside ...



Output: Ring Shaped Hotspot Detection (RHD)





Mathematics	Concepts	Relationships
Sets	Set Theory	Member, set-union, set-difference,
Vector Space	Linear Algebra	Matrix & vector operations
Euclidean Spaces	Geometry	Circle, Ring, Polygon, Line_String, Convex hull,
Boundaries, Graphs, Spatial Graphs	Topology, Graph Theory, Spatial graphs,	Interior, boundary, Neighbor, inside, surrounds,, Nodes, edges, paths, trees, Path with turns, dynamic segmentation,

Source: Ring-Shaped Hotspot Detection: A Summary of Results, IEEE ICDM 2014 (w/ E. Eftelioglu et al.)

# Detecting Patterns of Evasion<sup>1</sup>

Classics in Environmental Criminology

- Arson crimes in San Diego in 2013
  - Total 33 cases (red dots on the map)
  - Activity Area is appr. 3000 sq. miles.
- Arsonist caught in top green ring<sup>2</sup>

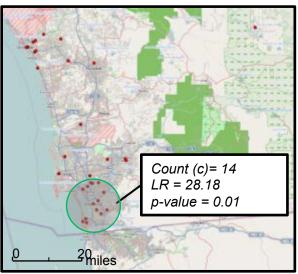




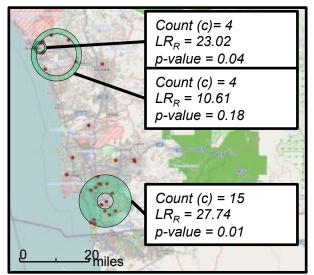
#### Input

20 miles

SaTScan output



Significant Ring Detection



**Green**: Rings with LR >10 & p-value < 0.20

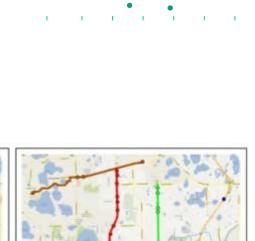
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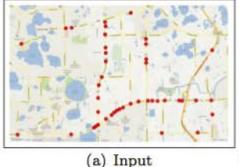
- (1) http://www.sandiego.gov/police/services/statistics/index.shtml
- (2) http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/Suspected-Arson-Grass-Fires-Oceanside-Mesa-Drive-Foussat-Road-218226321.html

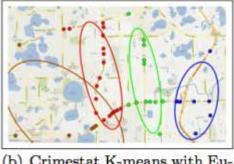
# Trends: Spatial-Concept Aware Patterns

### **Spatial Concepts**

- Natural geographic features, e.g., rivers, streams, ...
- Man-made geographic features, e.g., transportation network
- Spatial theories, e.g., environmental criminology doughnut hole-
- Spatial-concept-aware patterns
  - Hotspots: Circle => Doughnut holes
  - Hot-spots => Hot Geographic-features









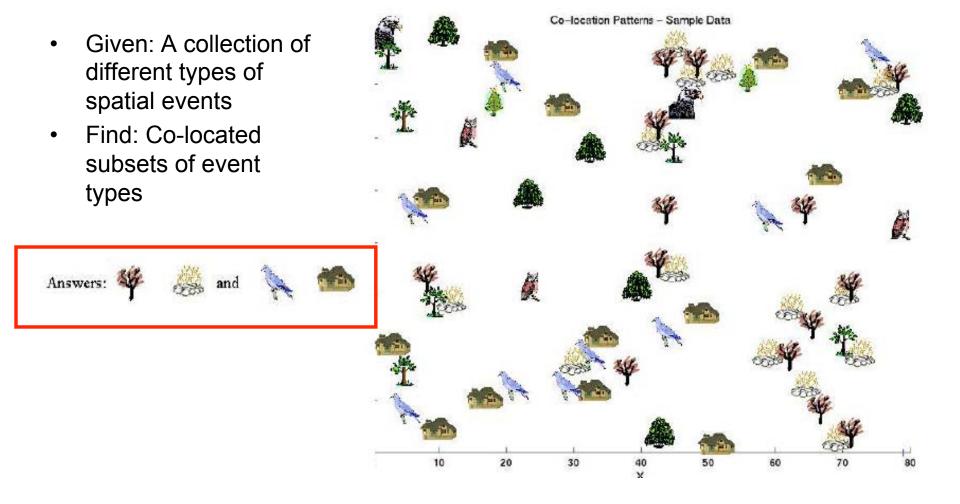


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Network Distance

**Details**: A K-Main Routes Approach to Spatial Network Activity Summarization, (w/ D. Oliver et al.) IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, 26(6):1464-1478, 2014.

### Co-locations/Co-occurrence



**Details**: Discovering colocation patterns from spatial data sets: a general approach, (w/ H. Yan et al.), IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, 16(12), Dec. 2004.

# Fast Algorithms to Mine Colocations from Big Data

Participation ratio  $pr(f_i, c)$  of feature  $f_i$  in colocation  $c = \{f_1, f_2, ..., f_k\}$ : fraction of instances of  $f_i$  with feature  $\{f_1, ..., f_{i-1}, f_{i+1}, ..., f_k\}$  nearby Participation index  $PI(c) = min\{pr(f_i, c)\}$ 

#### **Properties:**

- (1) Computational: Non-monotonically decreasing like support measure Allows scaling up to big data via pruning
- (2) Statistical: Upper bound on Cross-K function
- Comparison with Ripley's K-function (Spatial Statistics)

	B.1 • A.1	B.1 • A.1	B.1 A.1
	<b>A</b> .3	A.3	A.3
	B.2 • A.2	B.2 A.2	B.2 A.2
K-function (B, A)	2/6 = 0.33	3/6 = 0.5	6/6 = 1
<b>PI</b> ( <b>B</b> , <b>A</b> )	2/3 = 0.66	1	1

# Ex.: Spatial Auto-Regression Parameter Estimation

 $\rho$ : the spatial auto - regression (auto - correlation) parameter

 $\mathbf{W}$ : n - by - n neighborhood matrix over spatial framework

Name	Model	
Classical Linear Regression	$y = x\beta + \varepsilon$	
Spatial Auto-Regression	$\mathbf{y} = \rho \mathbf{W} \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$	

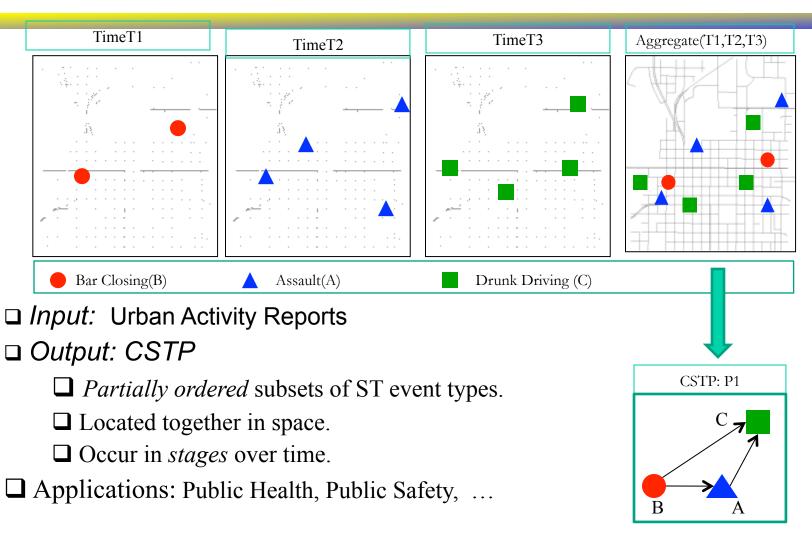
Maximum Likelihood Estimation

$$\ln(L) = \ln|\mathbf{I} - \rho \mathbf{W}| - \frac{n \ln(2\pi)}{2} - \frac{n \ln(\sigma^2)}{2} - SSE$$

- Computing determinant of large matrix is a hard (open) problem!
  - size(W) is quadratic in number of locations/pixels.
  - Typical raster image has Millions of pixels
  - W is sparse but not banded.

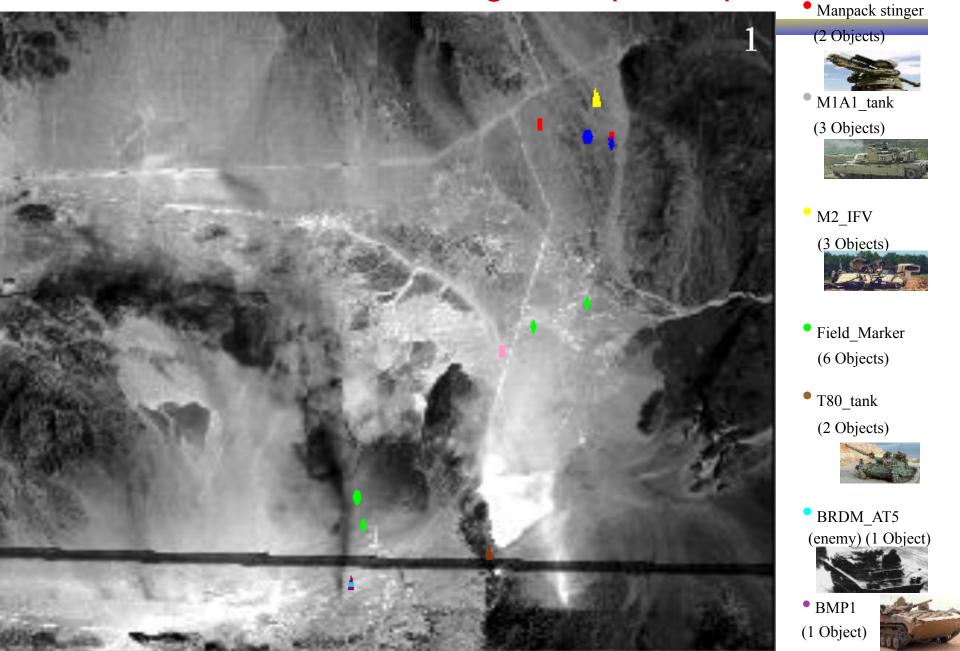
A parallel formulation of the spatial autoregression model for mining large geo-spatial datasets, SIAM Intl.Workshop on High Perf. and Distr. Data Mining, 2004.

# Cascading spatio-temporal pattern (CSTP)

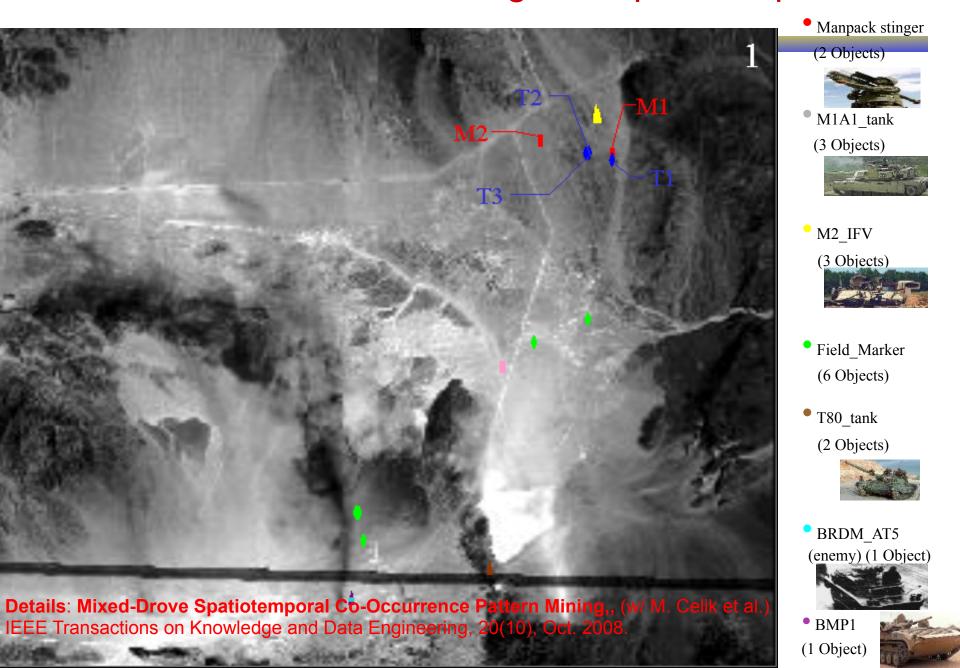


**Details**: Cascading Spatio-Temporal Pattern Discovery, (w/ P. Mohan et al.), IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, 24(11), Nov. 2012.

# MDCOP Motivating Example: Input



# MDCOP Motivating Example: Output



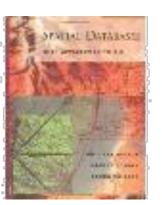
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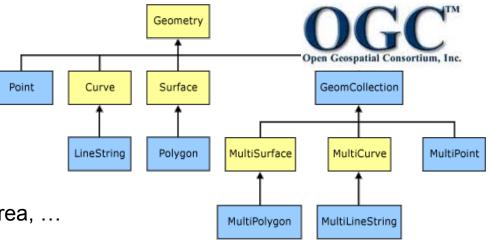
### **Spatial Databases for Geometry**

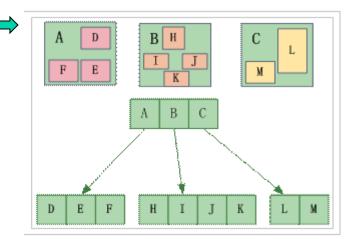
- Dice, Slide, Drill-down, Explore, ...
  - Closest pair(school, pollution-source)
  - Set based querying
- Reduce Semantic Gap
  - Simplify code for inside, distance, ...
  - 6 geometric data-types
  - Operations: inside, overlap, distance, area, ...
- Scale up Performance
  - Data-structures: B-tree => R-tree
  - Algorithms: Sorting => Geometric











## Challenge: Privacy vs. Utility Trade-off

- Check-in Risks: Stalking, GeoSlavery, ...
- Ex: Girls Around me App (3/2012), Lacy Peterson [2008]
- Others know that you are not home!



The Girls of Girls Around Me. It's doubtful any of these girls even know they are being

**tracked**. Their names and locations have been obscured for privacy reasons. (Source: <u>Cult of Mac, March 30, 2012</u>)





# Challenge: Geo-privacy, geo-confidentiality, ...

- Emerging personal geo-data
  - Trajectories of smart phones, gps-devices, life-trajectories and migrations, ...
- Privacy: Who gets my data? Who do they give it to? What promises do I get?
- Socio-technical problem
  - Need policy support
  - Challenges in fitting location privacy into existing privacy constructs (i.e. HIPPA, Gramm-Leach-Bliley, Children's Online Privacy Protection Act)
- Groups interested in Geo-Privacy
  - Civil Society, Economic Entities, Public Safety, Policy Makers

#### Table 4.2: Geo-privacy Policy Conversation Starters



- Emergencies are different (E-911)
- Differential geo-privacy can improve saftey (E-911 → PLAN, CMAS)
- Send apps to data, not vice-versa (e.g., eco-routing)
- Transparent transactions for location traces for increased consumer confidence
- Responsible entities for location traces (Credit-bureau/census, HIPPA++ for responsible parties)

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#### Virtual Globes & Volunteered Geo-Information

#### Virtual Globes

- Visualize Spatial Distributions, Patterns
- Visual drill-down, e.g., fly-through
  - Change viewing angle and position
  - Even with detailed Streetview!



- Allow citizens to make maps & report
- Coming to public health!
- People's reporting registry (E. Brokovich)
- www.brockovich.com/the-peoples-reporting-registry-map/



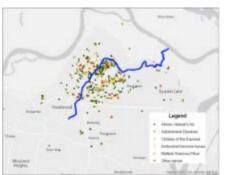
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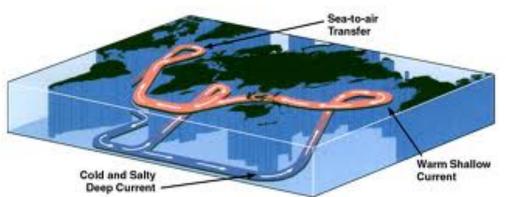
### Virtual Globes in GIS Education

- Coursera MOOC: From GPS and Google Earth to Spatial Computing
  - 21,844 students from 182 countries (Fall 2014)
  - 8 modules, 60 short videos, in-video quizzes, interactive examinations, ...
  - 3 Tracks: curious, concepts, technical
  - Flipped classroom in UMN on-campus course

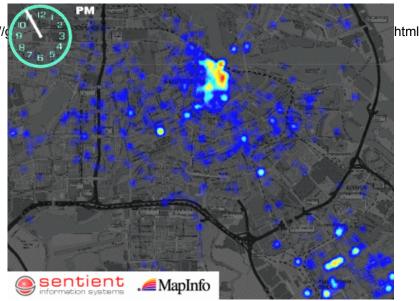


### Opportunities: Time-Travel and Depth in Virtual Globes

- Virtual globes are snapshots
- How to add time? depth?
  - Ex. Google Earth Engine, NASA NEX
  - Ex. Google Timelapse: 260,000 CPU core-hours for global 29-frame video
- How may one convey provenance, accuracy, age, and data semantics?
- What techniques are needed to integrate and reason about diverse available







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## Geographic Information Systems & Geodesy

THE WORLD'S MOST POPULOUS COUNTRIES

North Korea's missiles

At least 1,000 of various types, according to

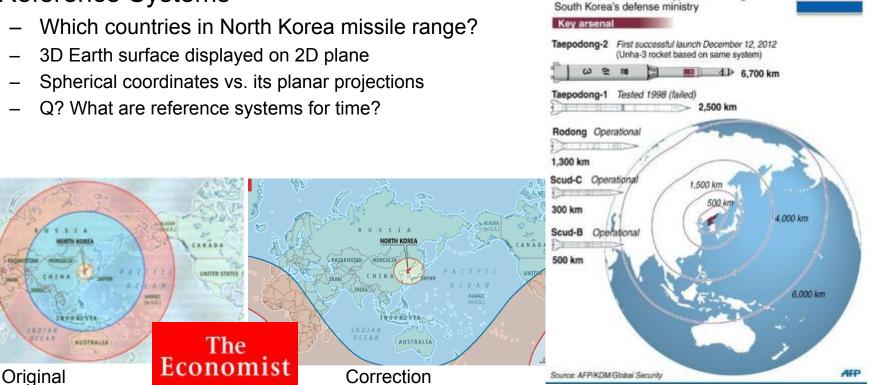
http://odt.org/hdp

#### **GIS**: An umbrella system to

- capture, store, manipulate, analyze, manage, and present diverse geo-data.
- SDBMS, LBS, Spatial Statistics, ...
- Cartography, Map Projections, Terrain, etc.
- Q? How to model time? Spatio-temporal?

#### Reference Systems

- 3D Earth surface displayed on 2D plane
- Spherical coordinates vs. its planar projections
- Q? What are reference systems for time?



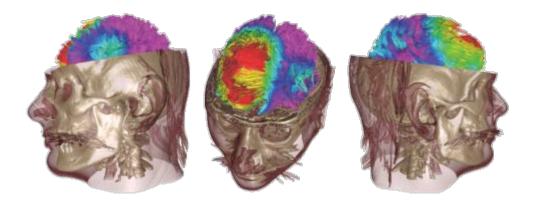
### Opportunities: Beyond Geographic Space

- Spaces other than Earth
  - Challenge: reference frame?
- Ex. Human body
  - What is Reference frame?
    - Adjust to changes in body
    - For MRIs, X-rays, etc.
  - What map projections?
  - Define path costs and routes to reach a brain tumor?

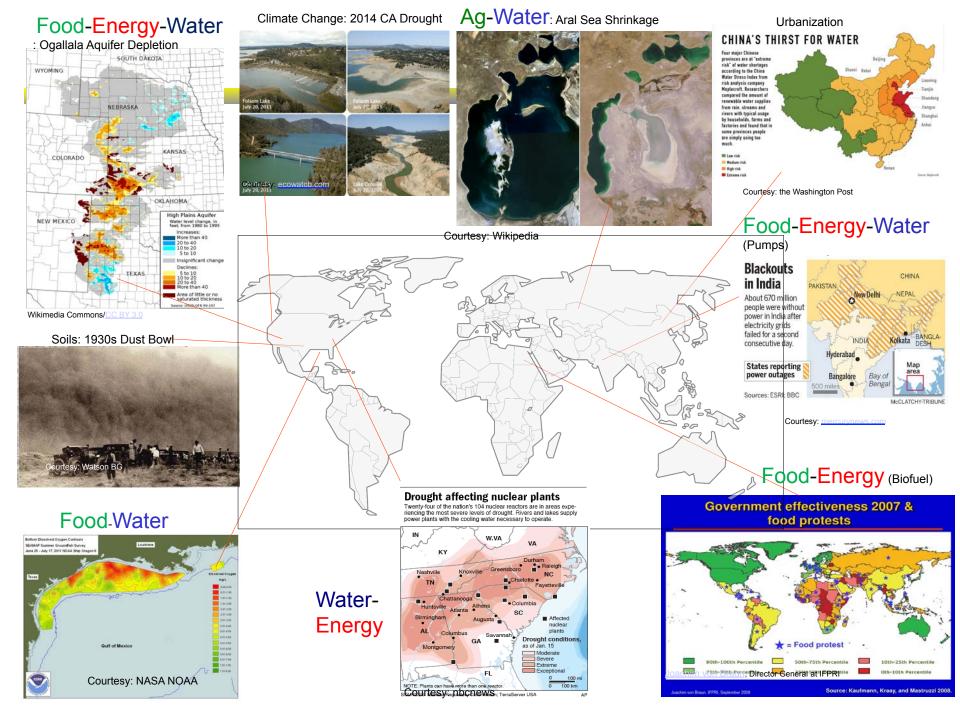
Outer Space	Moon, Mars, Venus, Sun, Exoplanets, Stars, Galaxies
Geographic	Terrain, Transportation, Ocean, Mining
Indoors	Inside Buildings, Malls, Airports, Stadiums, Hospitals
Human Body	Arteries/Veins, Brain, Neuromapping, Genome Mapping
Micro / Nano	Silicon Wafers, Materials Science





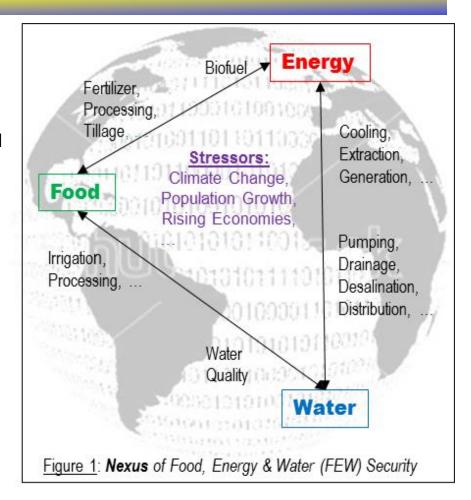


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### Nexus of Food, Energy, Water Security

- U.N.: FAO reports,
  - U.N. University Nexus Observatory
- U.K. EPSRC projects
  - U. Southampton: Vaccinating the Nexus (Paul Kemp)
  - Water, Energy, Food WEFWeb, U Glasgo
     (Marian Scott) Env. Statistics
  - Steping Up, U Machester (Alice Bows-Larkin)
- USA:
  - NSF: INFEWS, \$70M in FY16
  - Reports from OSTP, NIC, USDOE, ...
- Spatial computing is essential
  - Water census (USGS)
  - Local sourcing, virtual water trade
  - Landscape redesign,
  - Precision Agriculture
  - **–** ...



#### Recommendations

- Spatial Computing has transformed our society
  - It is only a beginning!
  - It promises an astonishing array of opportunities in coming decade
- However, these will not materialize without support
- Universities
  - Institutionalize spatial computing
    - GIS Centers, a la Computing Centers of the 1960's
  - Incorporate spatial thinking in STEM curriculum
    - During K-12, For all college STEM students?
- Government
  - Increase support spatial computing research
  - Larger projects across multiple universities
  - Include spatial computing topics in RFPs
  - Include spatial computing researchers on review panels
  - Consider special review panels for spatial computing proposals

