

# Measuring the vibrancy of Austin neighborhoods using taxi data with PageRank algorithm

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# Research objective

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Measuring the vibrancy of Austin neighborhoods using taxi data with PageRank algorithm

- Vibrancy
  - Building a more vibrant city is one important goal of urban development (Montgomery, 1998).
- Estimation

# Study Area and Dataset

## Taxi dataset



RideAustin\_Weather.csv

[Query](#) [Download](#)

	🕒 completed_on	#	distance_travelled	#	end_location_lat	#	end_location_long	📍 end_location_location	
1	2016-06-04T04:35:56		285.0		30.27		-97.75	POINT(-97.75 30.27)	:
2	2016-06-04T04:51:15		1029.0		30.27		-97.74	POINT(-97.74 30.27)	:
3	2016-06-04T05:27:32		8459.0		38.68		-121.04	POINT(-121.04 38.68)	:
4	2016-06-04T06:51:49		443.0		38.68		-121.04	POINT(-121.04 38.68)	:
5	2016-06-04T08:17:57		568.0		38.68		-121.04	POINT(-121.04 38.68)	:
6	2016-06-04T15:13:38		4051.0		30.27		-97.74	POINT(-97.74 30.27)	:
7	2016-06-04T15:26:07		790.0		30.27		-97.75	POINT(-97.75 30.27)	:
8	2016-06-05T03:50:57		2171.0		30.27		-97.75	POINT(-97.75 30.27)	:
9	2016-06-05T04:33:20		10260.0		30.27		-97.75	POINT(-97.75 30.27)	:
10	2016-06-05T07:12:48		5294.0		30.24		-97.78	POINT(-97.78 30.24)	:

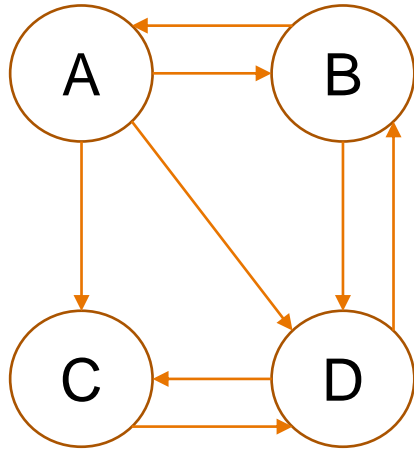
- 481137 records
- 11/2016 – 2/2017

## Austin boundary shapefile



# Methods

## PageRank algorithm



Start with  $r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 1/2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Add damping factor

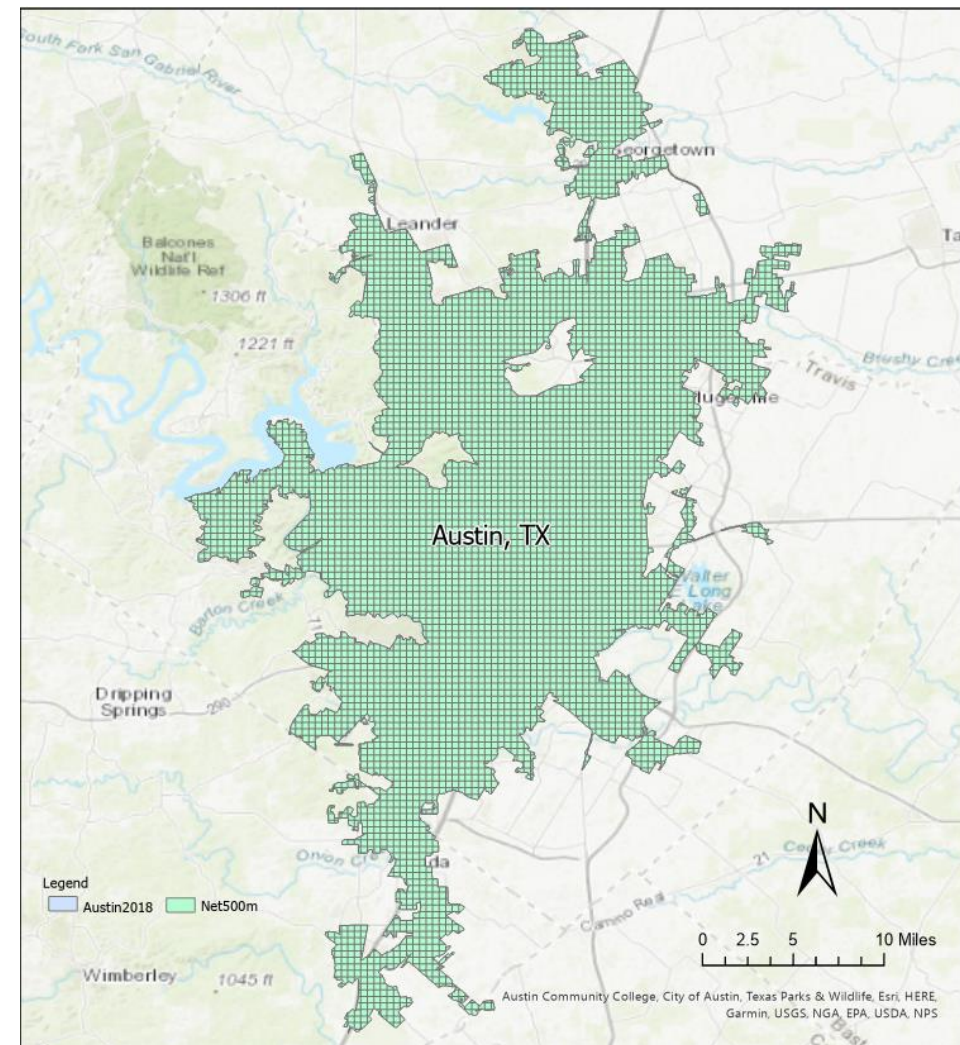
$$r = \begin{bmatrix} r_A \\ r_B \\ r_C \\ r_D \end{bmatrix}, L = \begin{bmatrix} L_{A \rightarrow A} & L_{B \rightarrow A} & L_{C \rightarrow A} & L_{D \rightarrow A} \\ L_{A \rightarrow B} & L_{B \rightarrow B} & L_{C \rightarrow B} & L_{D \rightarrow B} \\ L_{A \rightarrow C} & L_{B \rightarrow C} & L_{C \rightarrow C} & L_{D \rightarrow C} \\ L_{A \rightarrow D} & L_{B \rightarrow D} & L_{C \rightarrow D} & L_{D \rightarrow D} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r = d(L \cdot r) + \frac{1-d}{n}$$

$$Lr = r$$

# Methods

Austin fishnet map



## Workflow

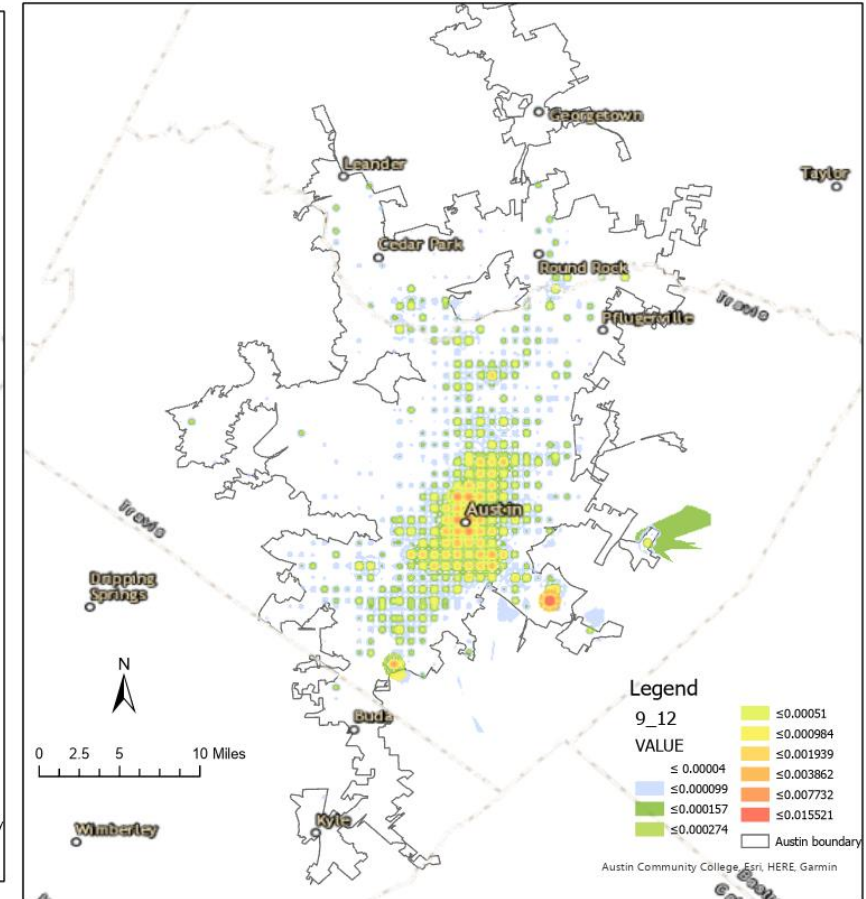
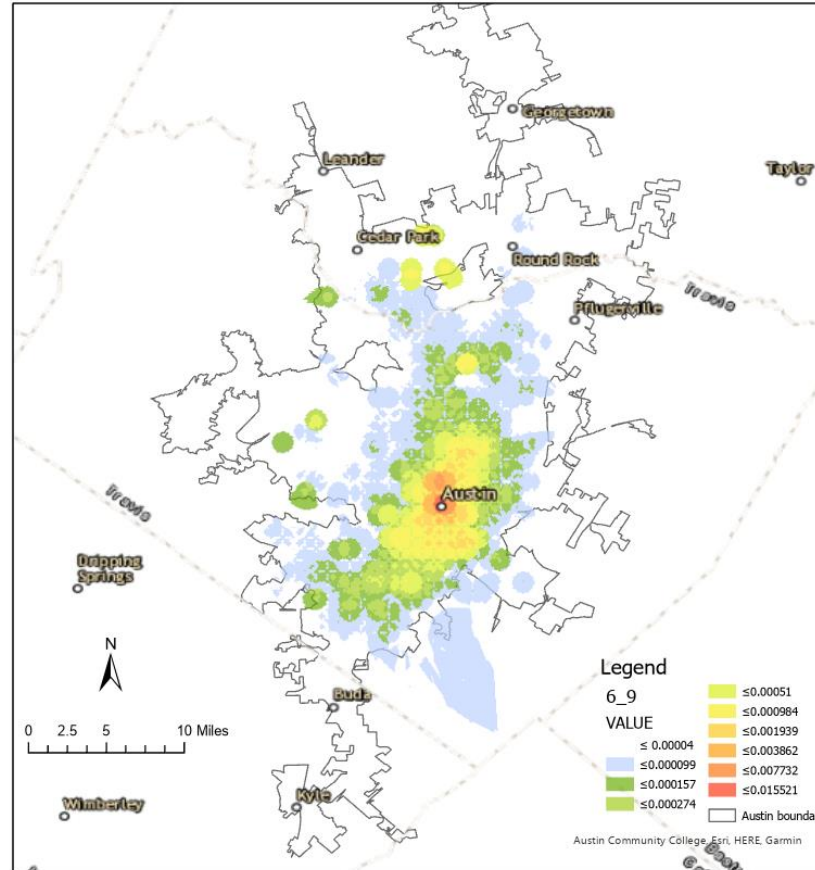
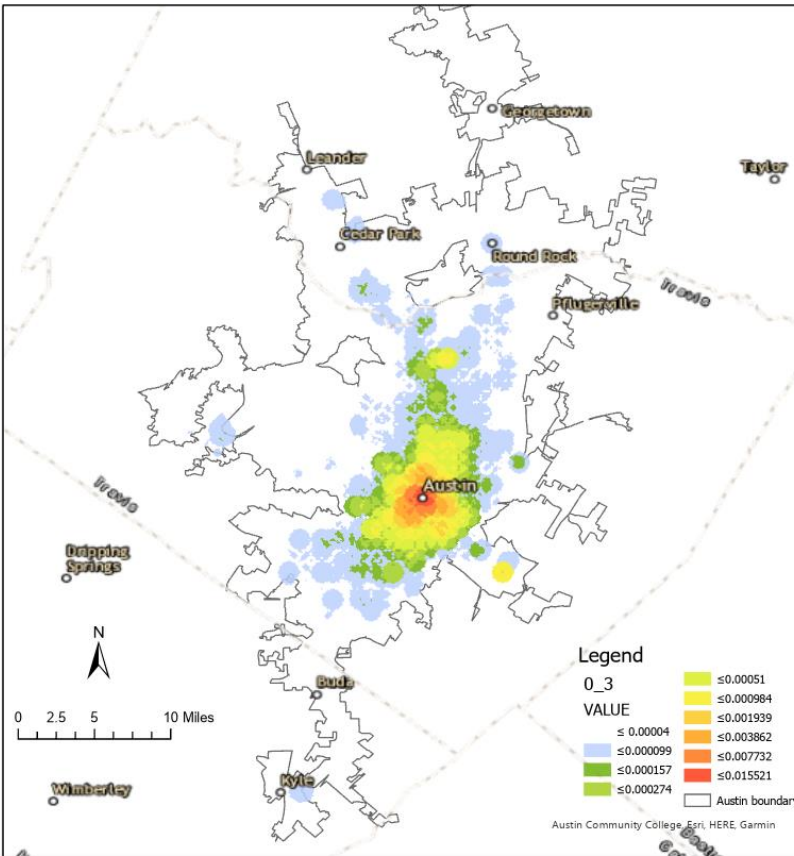
- Generate grid (500\*500)
- Filter taxi data by different time period
- Use PageRank algorithm to get rank of each grid
- Interpret results with POI

# Results (legend are shared)

Hourly vibrancy in Austin : 0:00 - 3:00

Hourly vibrancy in Austin : 6:00 - 9:00

Hourly vibrancy in Austin : 9:00 - 12:00

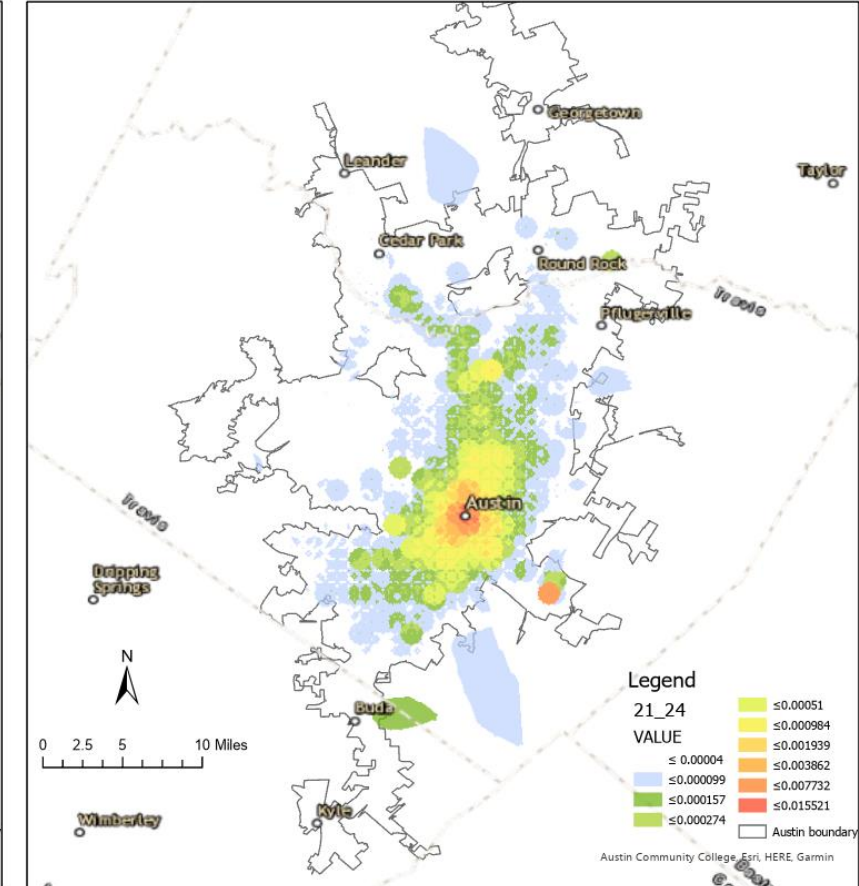
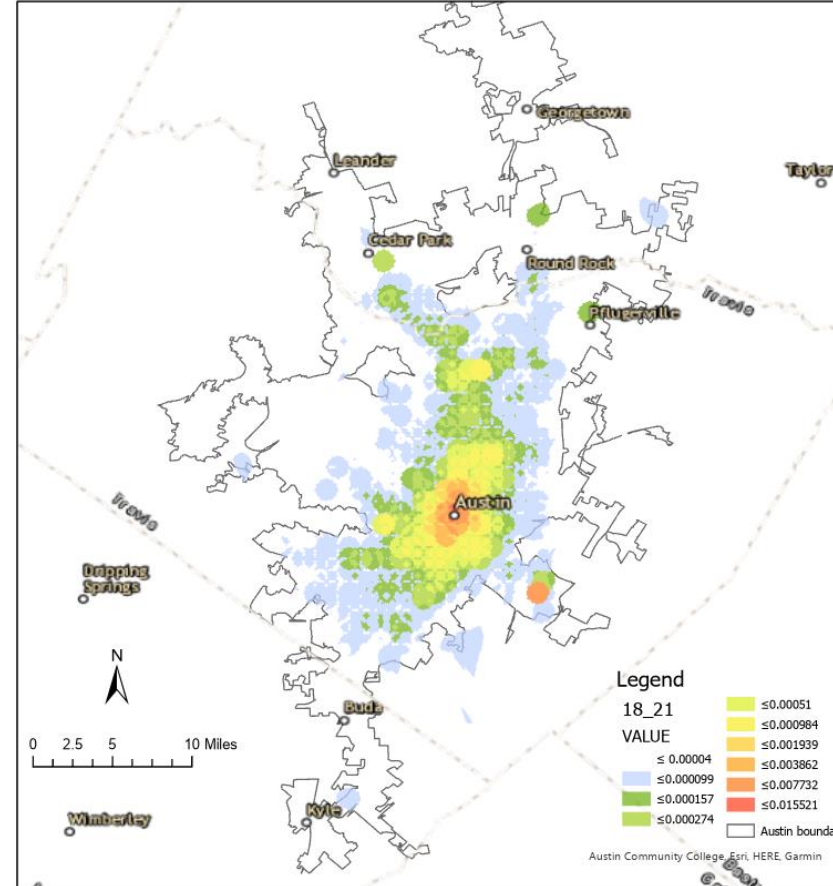
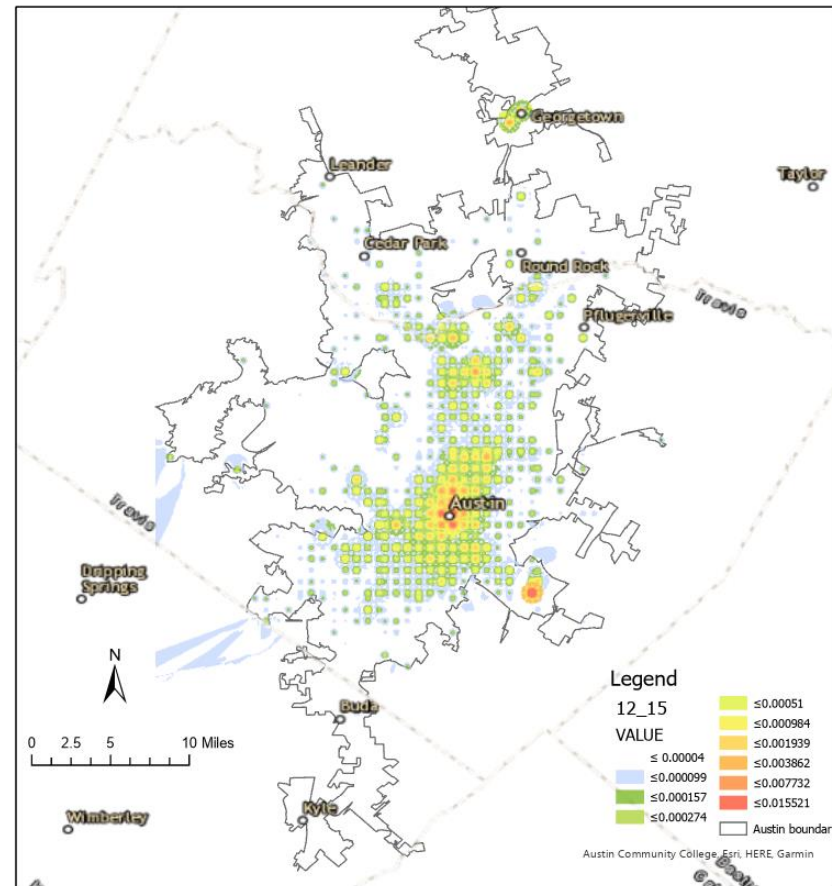


# Results (legend are shared)

Hourly vibrancy in Austin : 12:00 - 15:00

Hourly vibrancy in Austin : 18:00 - 21:00

Hourly vibrancy in Austin : 21:00 - 24:00





# Conclusion

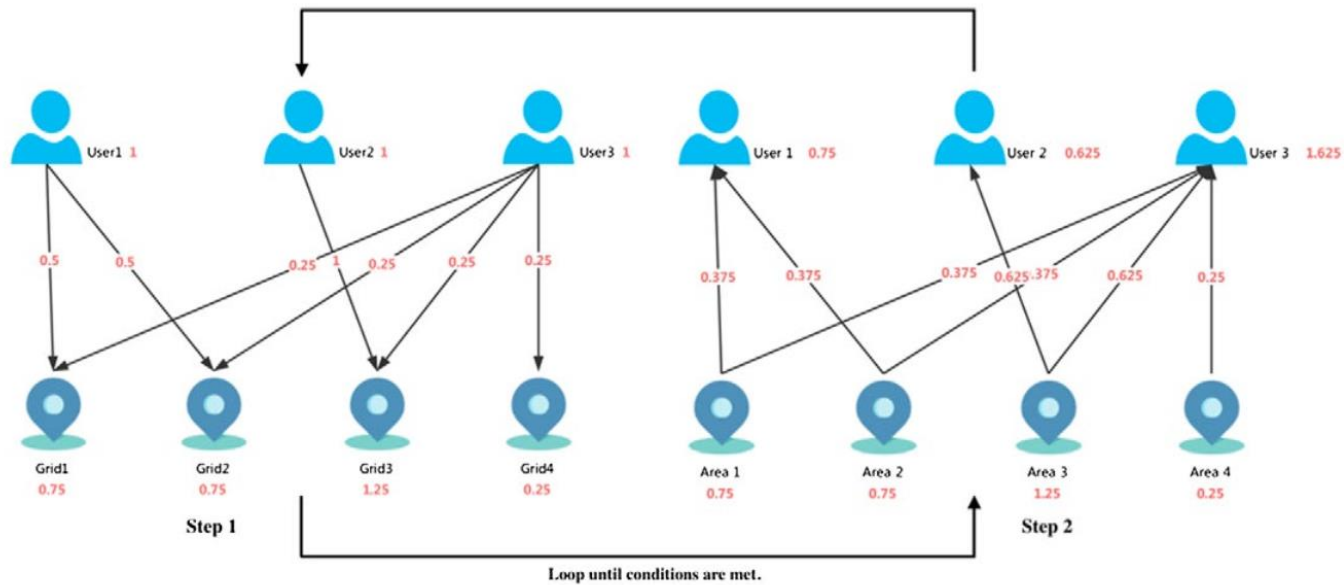
- Obvious temporal and spatial pattern are discovered (feasible)
- Drawbacks
  - Only one factor within consideration
  - Pre-biased data are used

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In [14]: for index in range(len(time_range)-1):
         tv = [filter_by_hour(data,time_range[index],time_range[index+1]) for data in completed_time]
         tdf = df[tv]
         print(f'{time_range[index]} : {tdf.shape}')
         fn = os.path.join('../Data/Table','RideAustin_' + str(time_range[index]) + '_' + str(time_range[index+1]) + '.csv')
         tdf.to_csv(fn)
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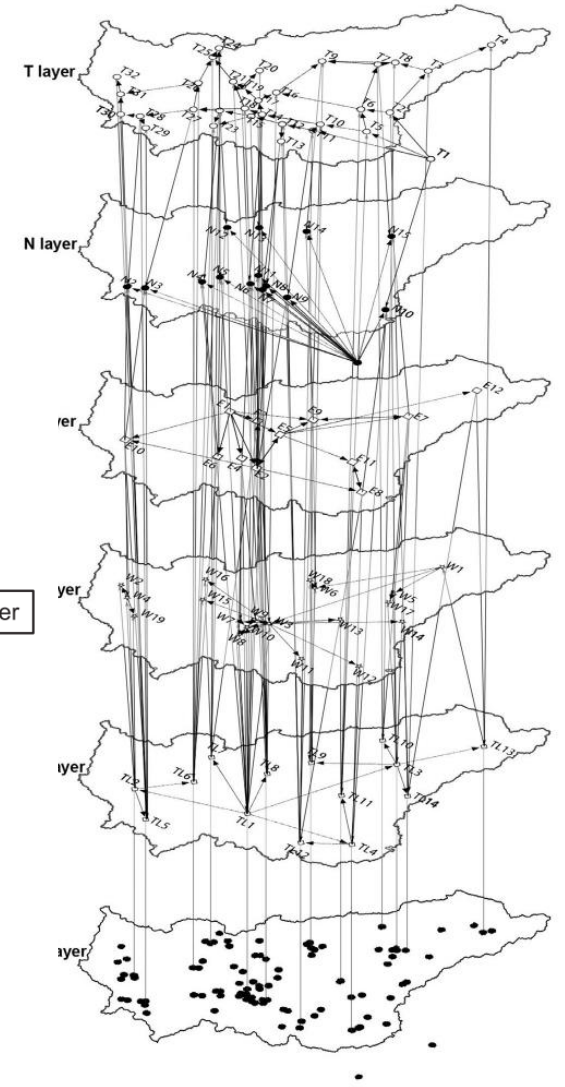
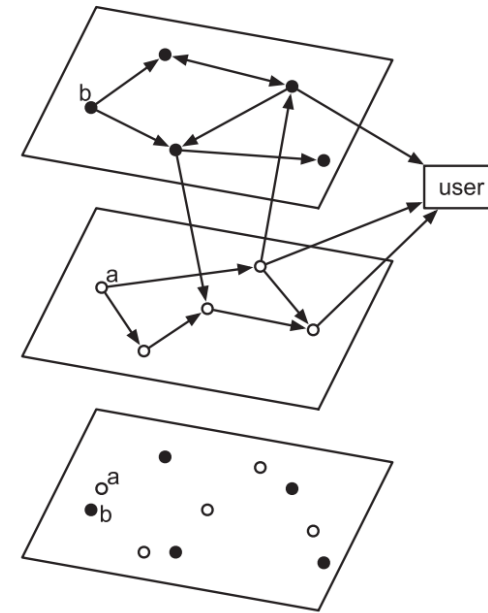
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0 : (95296, 8)
3 : (100151, 8)
6 : (77979, 8)
9 : (18060, 8)
12 : (25794, 8)
15 : (45121, 8)
18 : (49425, 8)
21 : (60570, 8)
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# Future Work

- Using trajectory data to implement PR algorithm
  - Add weight factor based on distance and number of nodes



- Build multilayer network model
  - Add multiple related data



# Reference

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