## Spatiotemporal Data Analytics on Large Event Data

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## The Age of Big Spatiotemporal Data

## SPACE × TIME







#### Extracting movements from tweets



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Example: Tracking Movements by GPS devices

person per hour for a year:
 person per minute for a year:
 person per second for a year:

- $1 \times 24 \times 365 = 8,760$
- $1 \times 60 \times 24 \times 365 = 525,600$
- $1 \times 60 \times 60 \times 24 \times 365 = 31,536,000$



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## SPACE × TIME



Chen, Y., Tsou, M-H., Nara, A. (2019)

#### Example: Safety Pilot Model Deployment (SPMD) Data





Subject: Duration: Frequency: Data points: File size: Attributes:

2,836 Vehicles
1 month
≈ 10 Hz
> 1.5 billion GPS points
205 GB in CSV
speed, location, direction,
yaw rate, heading, etc.



## Event = (S, T, A)

S: Spatial Attributes (point, line, polygon, pixel, ...) T: Temporal Attributes (start-end time, duration) A: Event Attributes (id, name, ...)



### **Time Geography Representation (Vector)**





### **Time Geography Representation (Raster)**



**Single Spatiotemporal Event** 





### **Time Geography Representation (Raster)**

**Three Spatiotemporal Events** 









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Collaborative work with **Dr. May Yuan**, U of Texas at Dallas

• Explore spatiotemporal trends of large event datasets effectively





 Develop a parallel implementation of ST-DBSCAN to identify spatiotemporal event clusters



## Methodology

## DBSCAN

Min Points = 4



DBSCAN (2D)



Methodology

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## **DBSCAN Runtime Complexity**

## Average: O(N\*log(N)) Worst case scenario: O(N<sup>2</sup>)

N: the size of the input data set



## **ST-DBSCAN** Parallel Implementation

- Multi-core processing
- Partition data using Octree
- ST-DBSCAN on partitioned data
- Merge cluster results



Octree (Image from Wikipedia)





Octree Partition with a test datasets

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50km buffers



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## **Fire Events**



2016

2017



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50.001 - 60.000 60.001 - 70.000

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Monthly total area of crop field with fire activities by INEGI rural area (km<sup>2</sup>)

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Time series clustering to find distinct time-space patterns of crop fields with fire activities (Monthly)

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- Verifying detected fire activities
- Explore non-agricultural urban fires
- Conduct a systematic performance test
- Apply ST-DBSCAN to other large event data
  - Crime Incidents
  - Social media
  - Transportation data

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## Any Questions?

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