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An Exploration of Mobile Phone Users, Land Cover, Time, and Space

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14 Artificial, non-agricultural vegetated areas

22 Permanent

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13 Mine, dump and construction sites

32 Scrub and/or herbaceous vegetation associations

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Nokia Mobile Data Challenge (MDC)

Data

- 185 mobile phone users (Nokia N95)
- October 2009 March 2011
- recorded: GPS, WLAN, accelerometer, Bluetooth, media use, phone call logs, SMS, application use
- questionnaire: age, gender, status, transportation, ...
- MDC duration: January-April 2012
- Two types of contributions:
 - Open Challenge
 - Free to be defined by researchers
 - Dedicated Challenge
 - Semantic place prediction
 - Next place prediction
 - Demographic attribute prediction

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Data used

- MDC Open Challenge data sets
 - demographic questionnaires for 29 users
 - 3.4 million location records for 38 users (GPS & WLAN)
- CORINE-equivalent land cover
- Microsoft Bing Maps
- OpenStreetMap (OSM)

Spaces addressed

- Participants according to questionnaire (15 dims)
- Participants according to land use types traversed (13 dims)
- Geographic space with time-weighted density

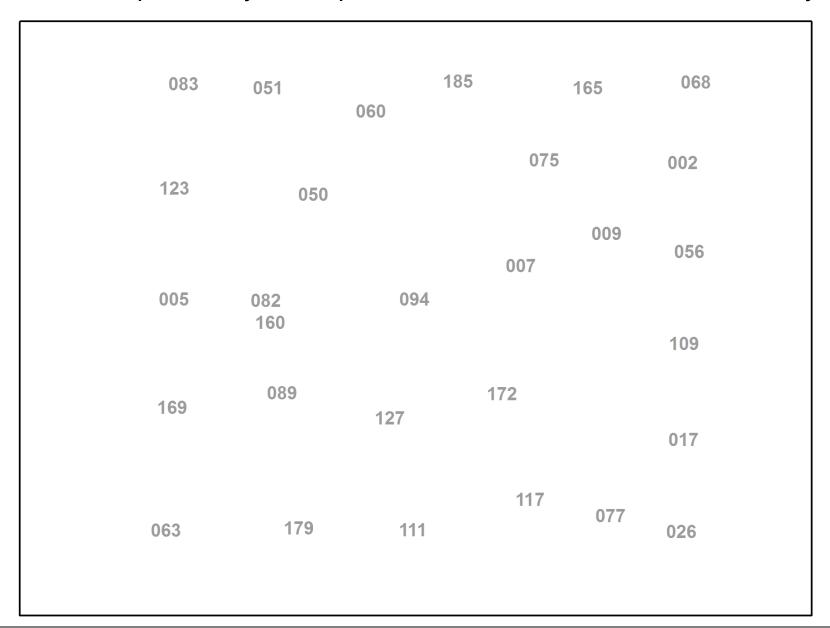
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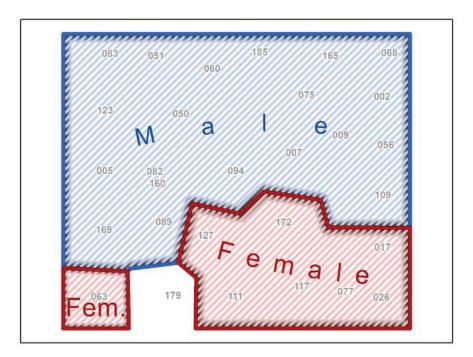
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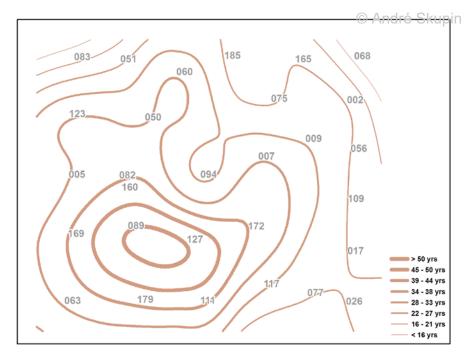
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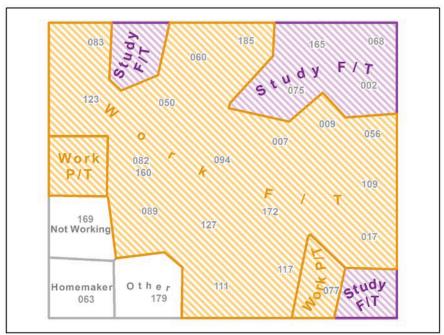
- Various pre-processing steps: Microsoft Office Excel,
 Processing development environment (http://processing.org/)
- Multidimensional scaling (MDS): IBM SPSS Statistics
- Self-organizing map (SOM)
 preprocessing/postprocessing: SOM Analyst (http://code.google.com/p/somanalyst/)
- SOM training: SOM_PAK
 (modified after http://www.cis.hut.fi/research/som_pak/)
- Visualization: ESRI ArcGIS
 (http://www.esri.com/software/arcgis/)

Base Map of Study Participants Based On Questionnaire Similarity



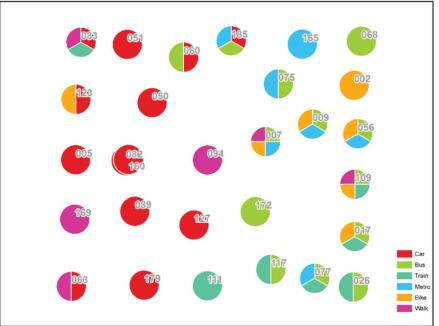


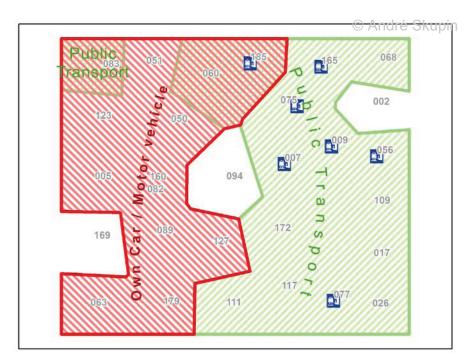


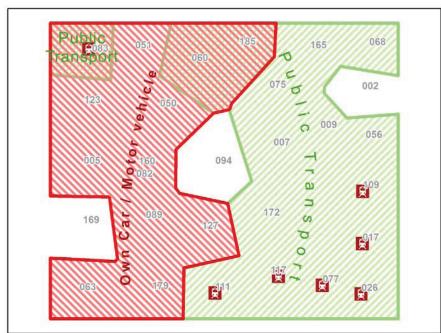


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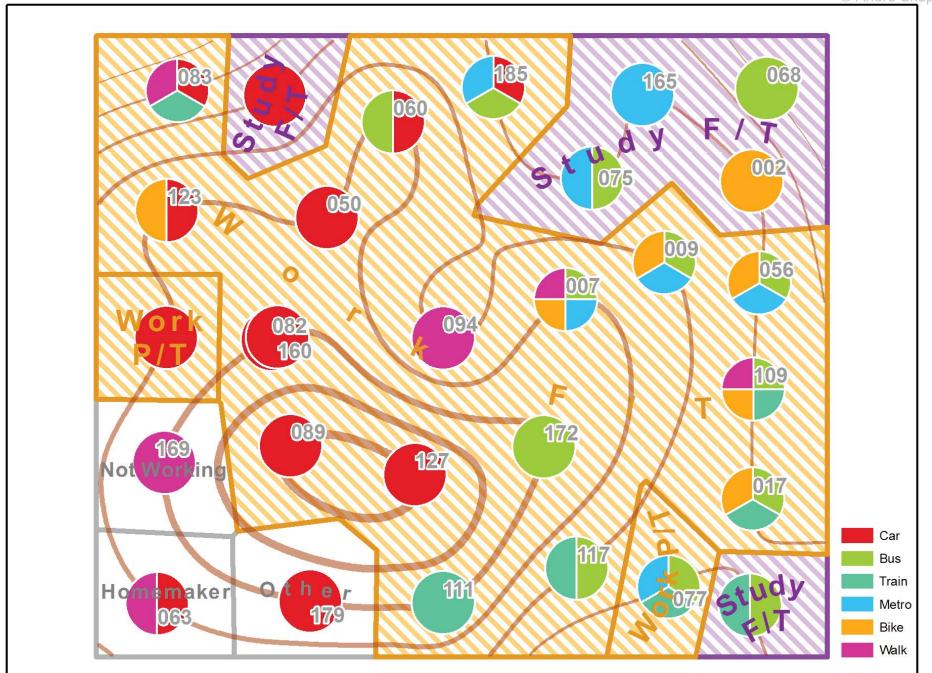




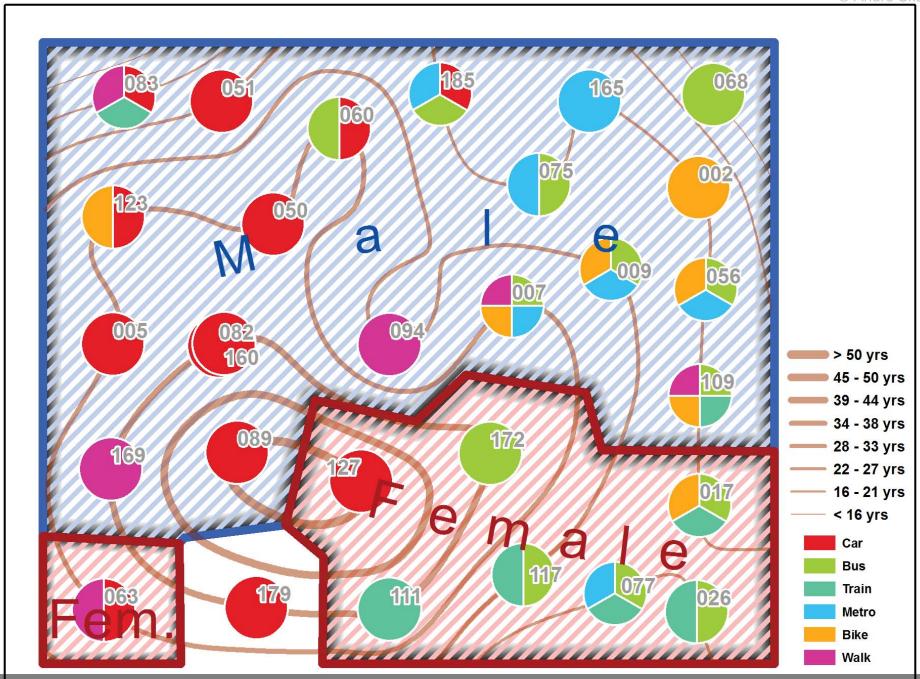


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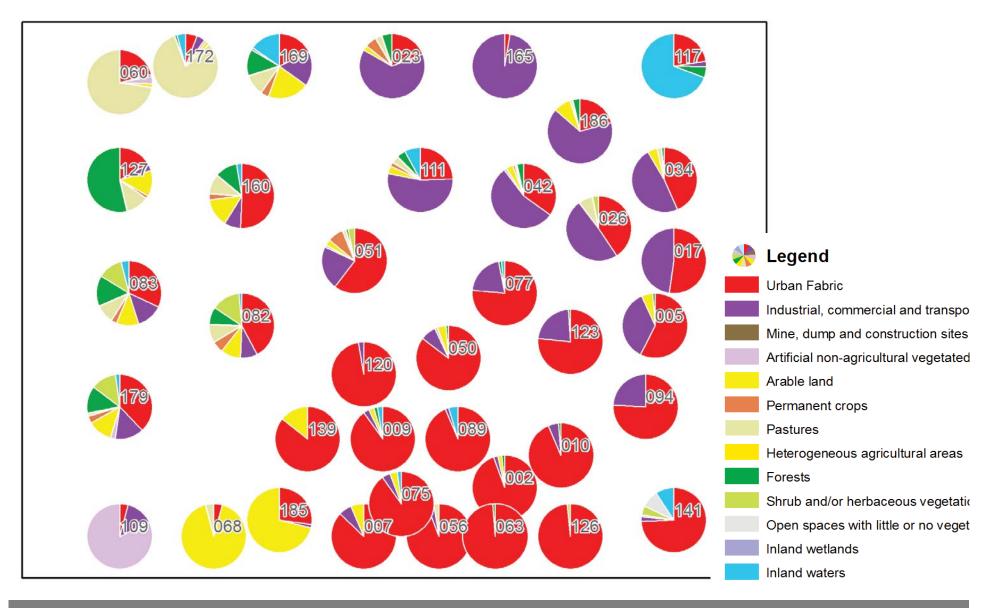


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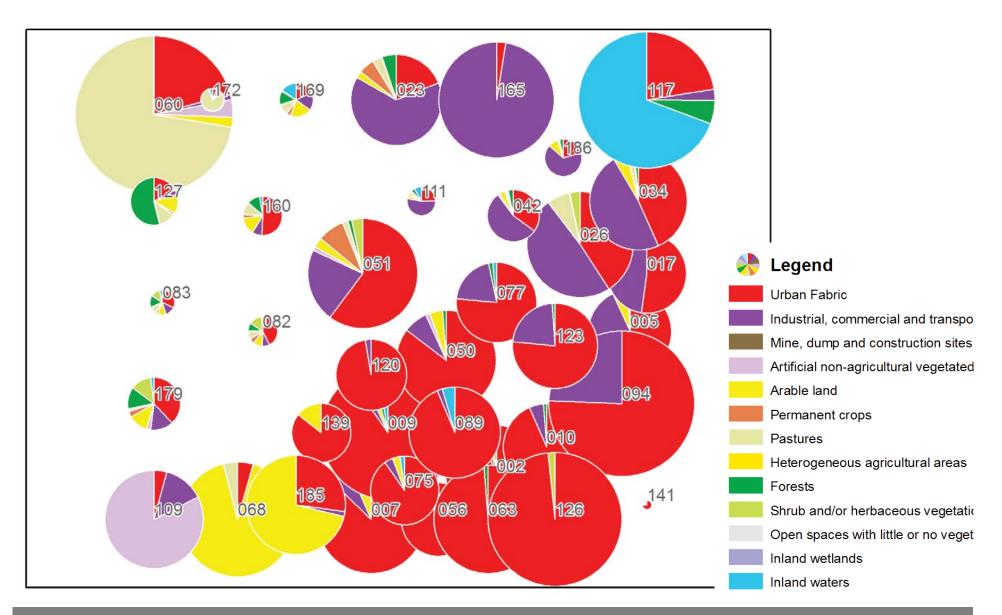


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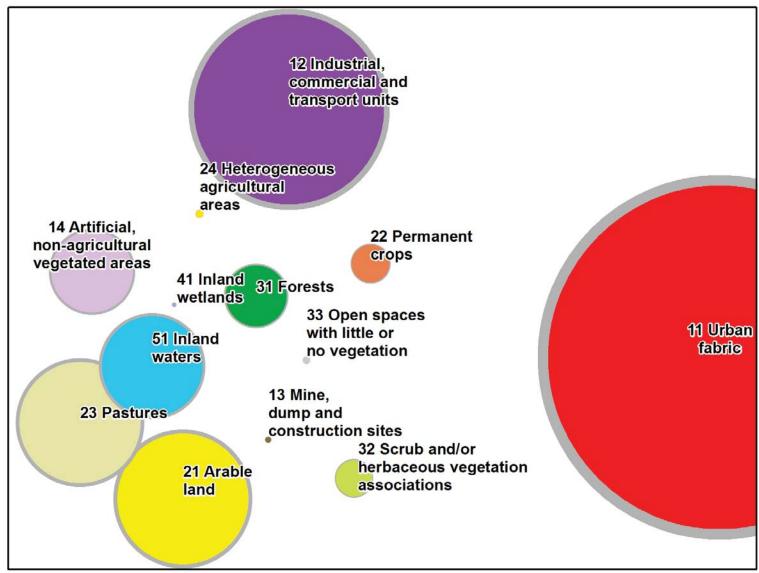


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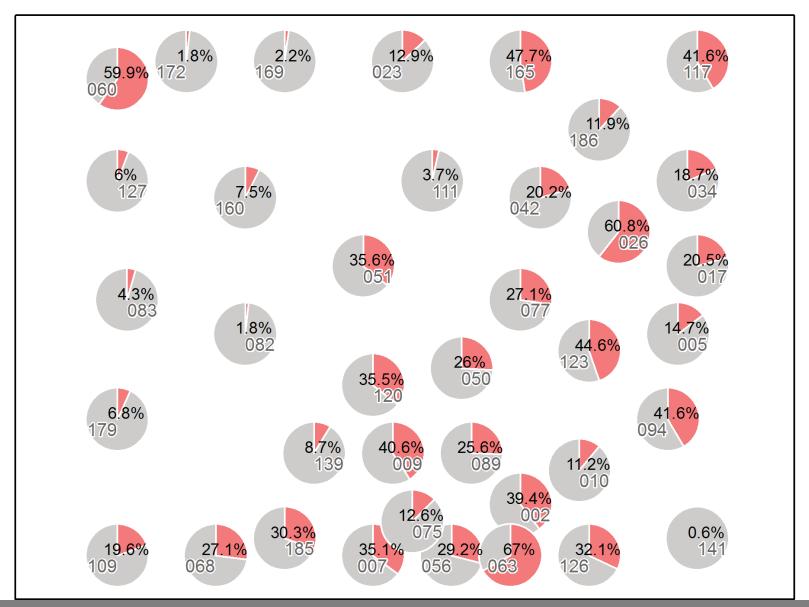


Land cover types according to similarity in how relative time spent was distributed across 38 participants

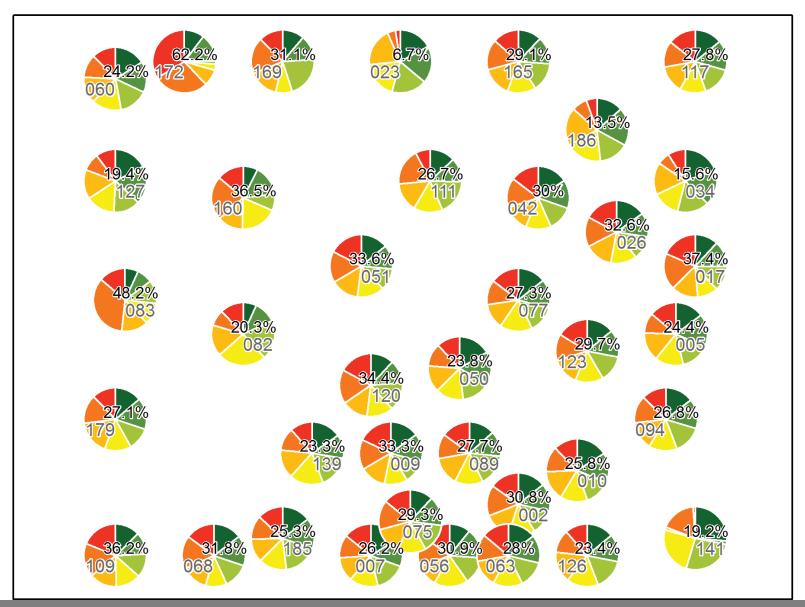
Circle size proportional to total time spent by participants



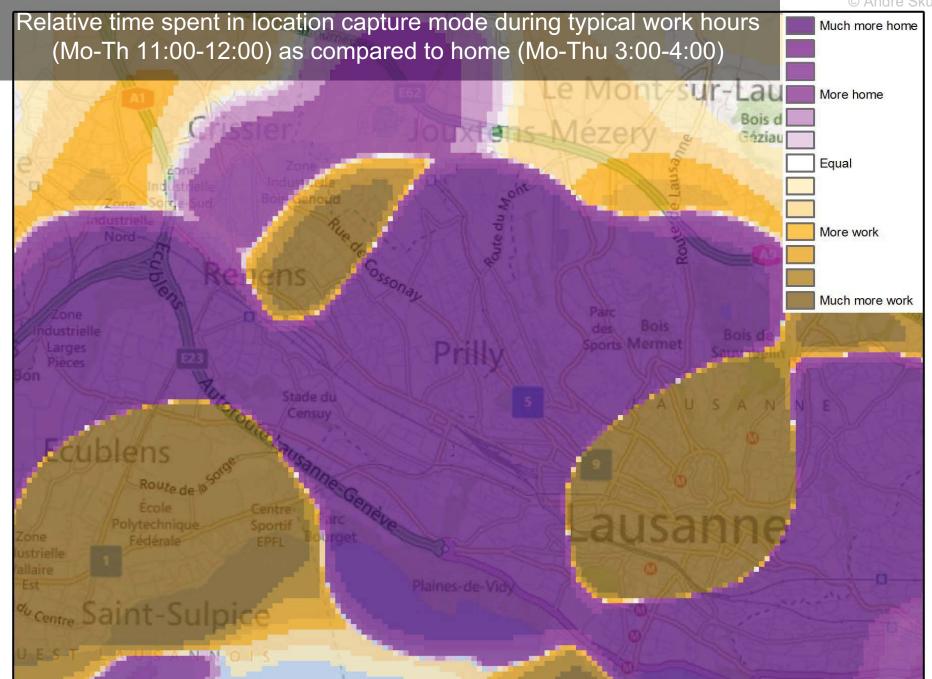
Geometry: Participants according to similarity in the relative time spent per land cover type **Symbology**: Time spent in location capture mode relative to total time passed between first and last location capture



Geometry: Participants according to similarity in the relative time spent per land cover type **Symbology**: Relative time spent in location capture mode on different days of the week

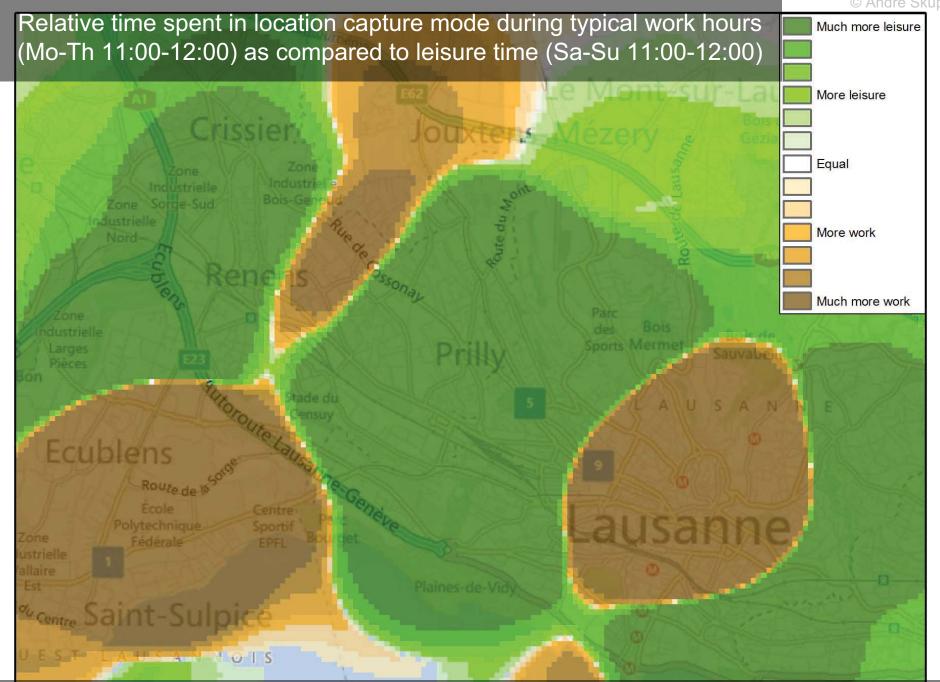


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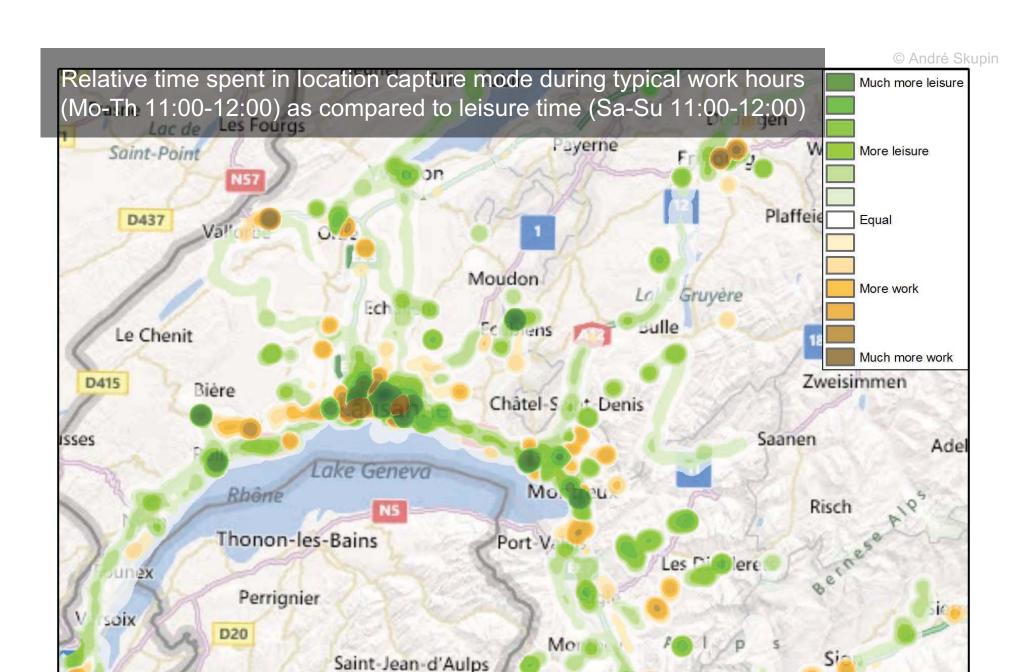


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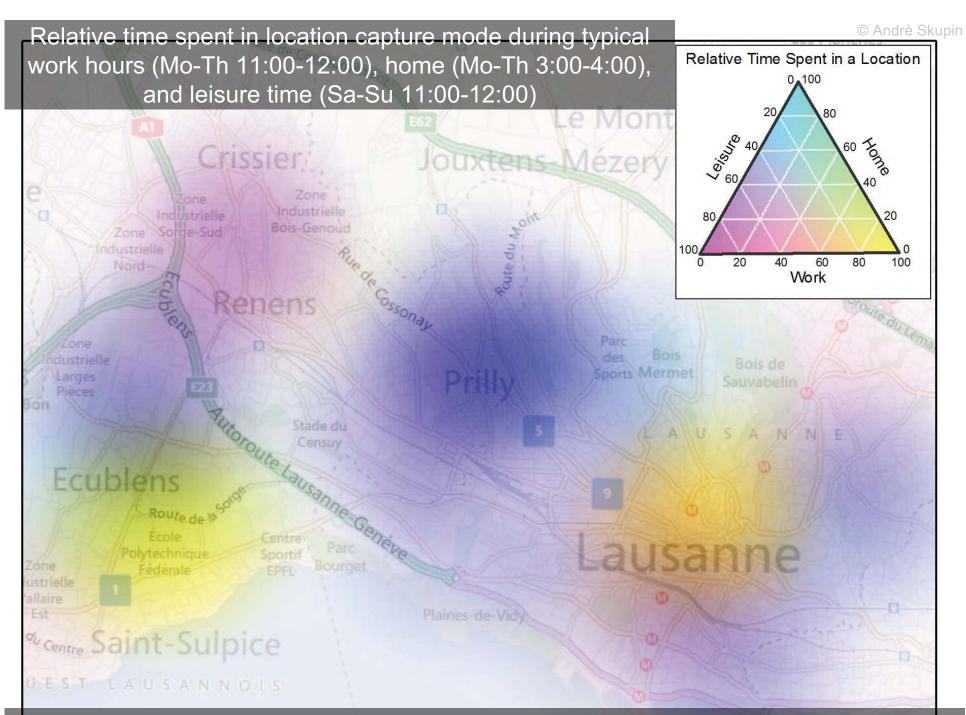
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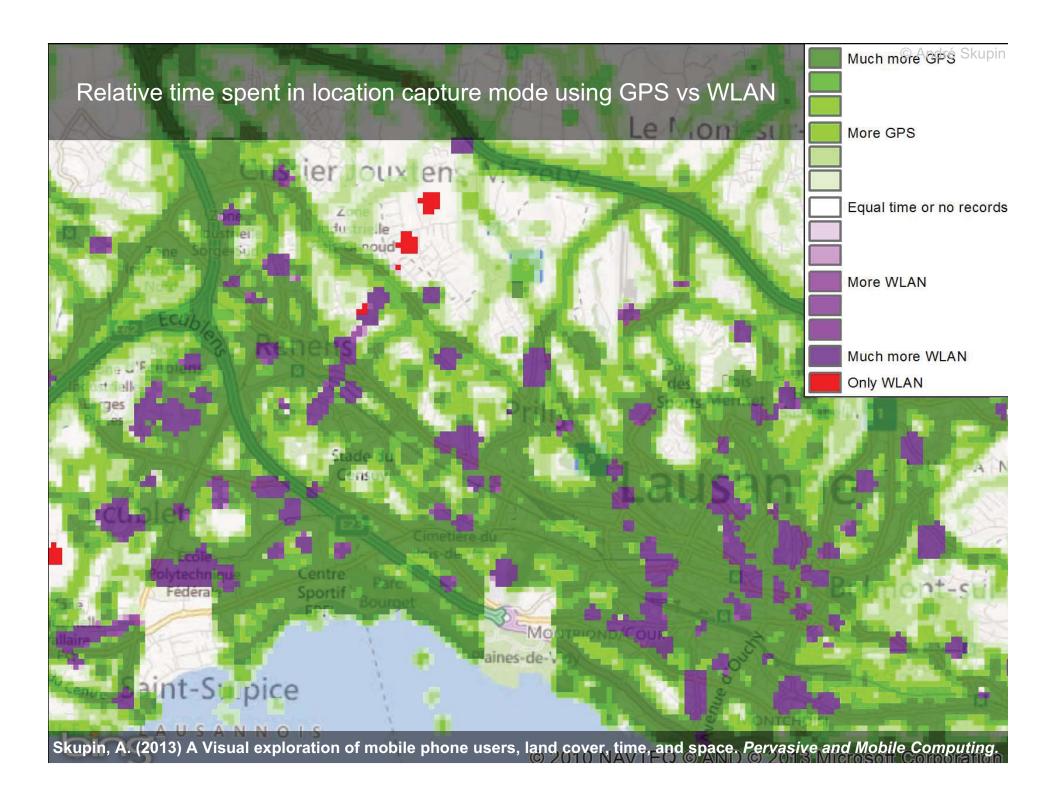
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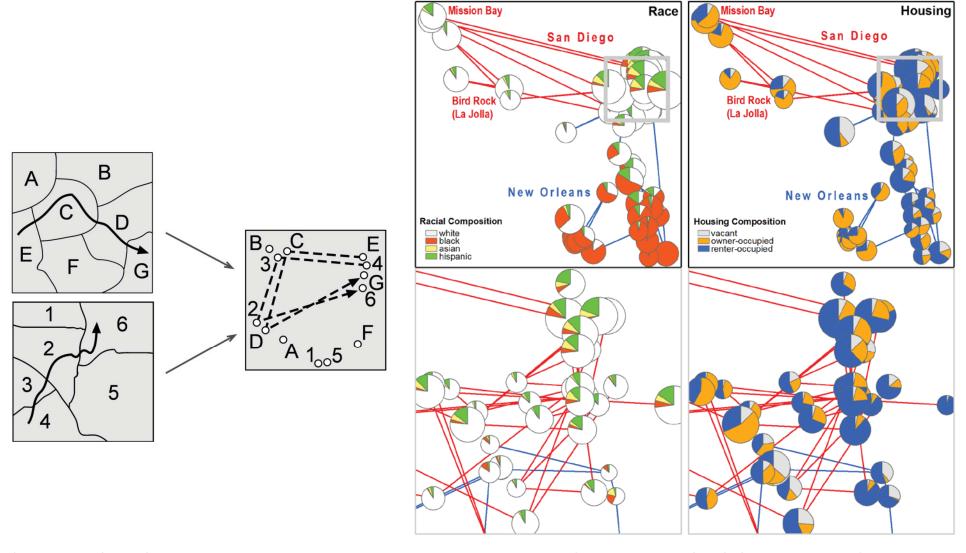
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