Smart Cities, Data and Big Data

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FIRST DATA, THEN BIG DATA

DATA

Numeric, Ordinal, Nominal

Quantitative, Qualitative

Spatial, Non-Spatial, People, Places

Individual or Aggregated

Collected by Questionnaire or by Sensor

Large Scale, Small Scale Individual

Urban Analytics: to process data

Databases – Excel, SQL and so on

GIS – geographic information systems

Statistical methods for developing summaries of data – insights into data and also patterns in data

Data mining – multivariate technical

Spatial scale

Archives, Portals, Depositories, Servers,

BIG DATA

AFirst couple of examples about what smart cities are all about

Real time, streamed data and this is ‘big’

First, An example from public transport in London where smart card data is now key

Second, about online aircraft flight data

Smart Card Data

Oyster Card Taps

Tap at **start** and **end** of train journeys

Tap at **start only** on buses

Accepted at 695 Underground and rail stations, and on thousands of buses

991 million Oyster Card taps over Summer 2012 – this is big data

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OYSTER GIVES UP PEARLS

How studying millions of Oyster Card journeys reveals London's 'polycentres'

Researchers from UCL have analysed millions of Oyster Card journeys in a bid to understand how, why and where we travel in London.

Professor Michael Batty (UCL Centre for Advanced Spatial Analysis) and Dr Soong Kang (UCL Management Science and Innovation) applied the techniques of statistical physics to their mountain of raw data.

The pair joined forces with a computational social scientist and a physicist, both based in Paris, to explore patterns of commuting by tube into central London.

They used Transport for London's database of 11 million records taken over one week from the Oyster Card electronic ticketing system.

Latest news from UCL Engineering

New web privacy system could revolutionise the safety of surfing

UCL host Google Girls Coding Programme with Generating Genius and University of West indies

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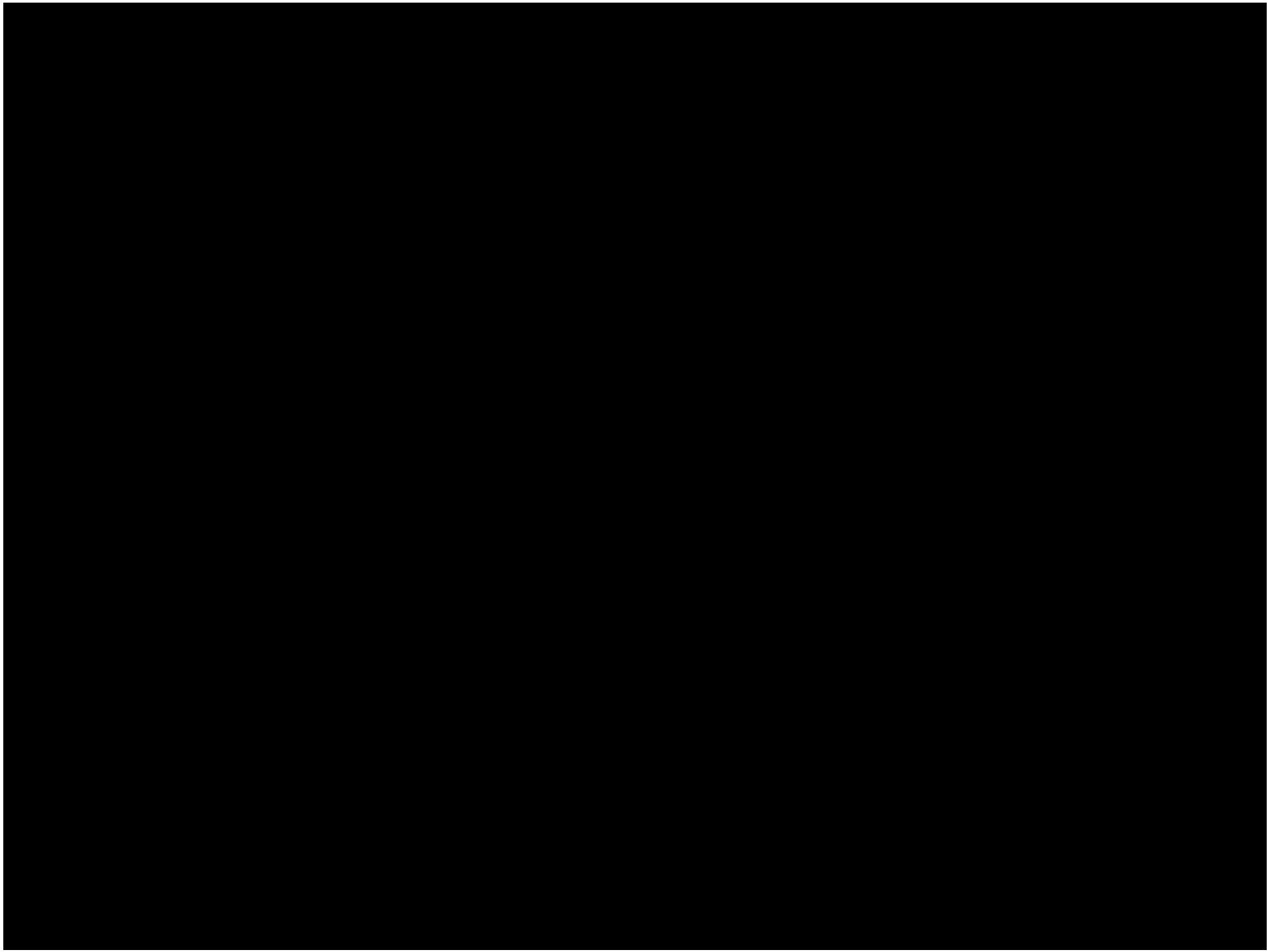

And how can we make sense of this

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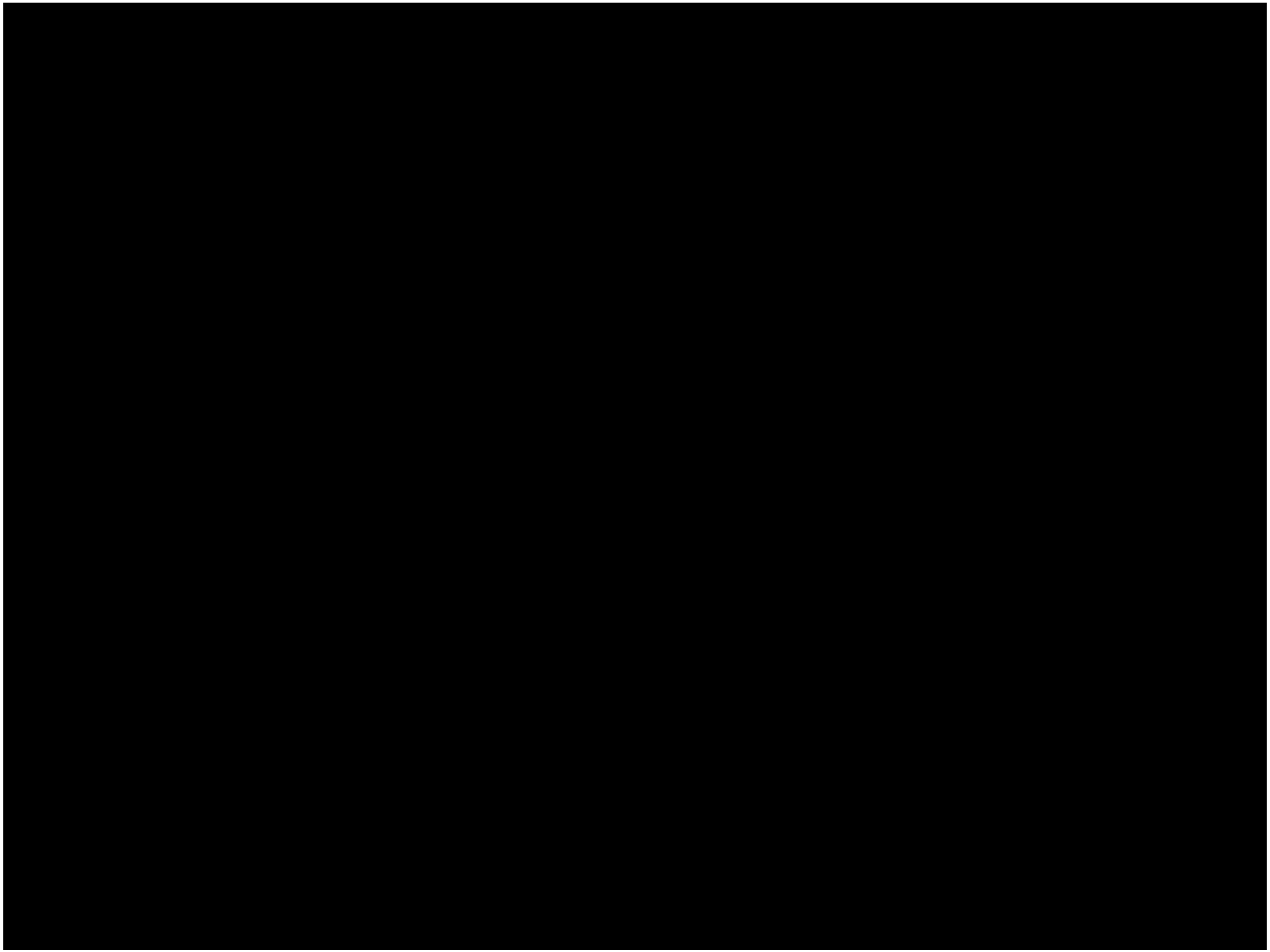

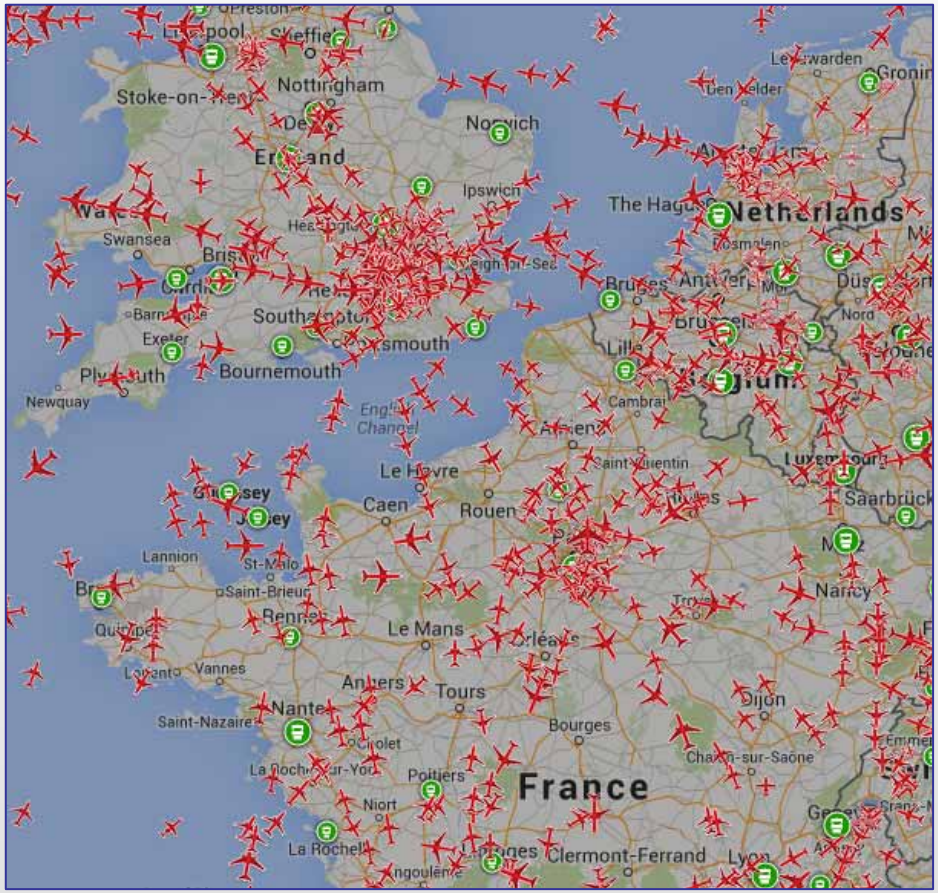

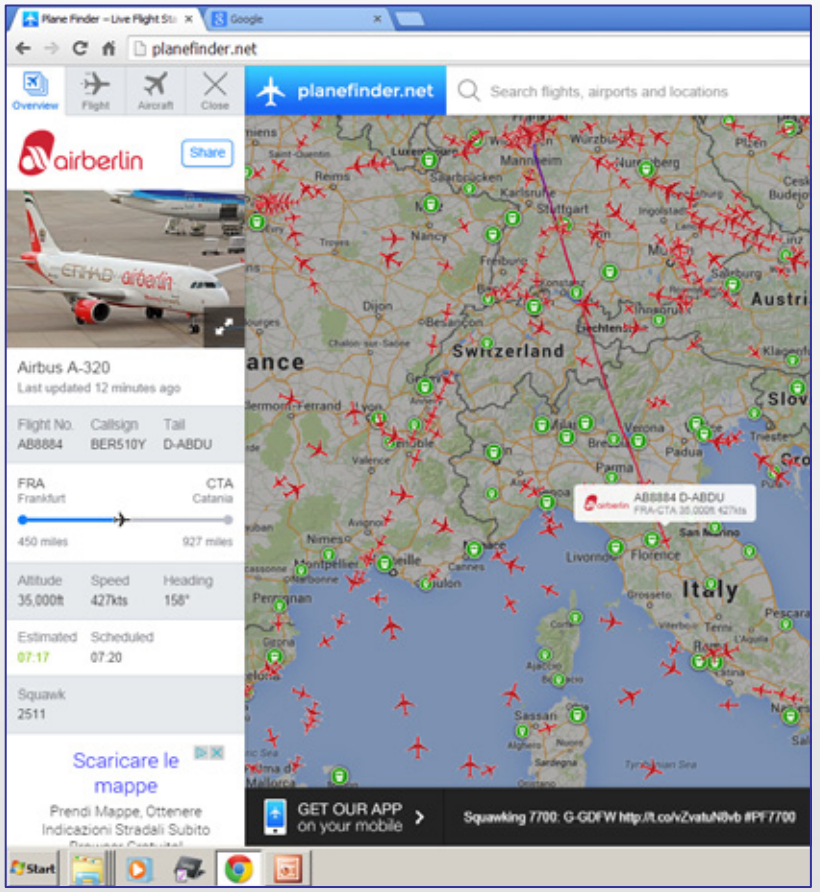

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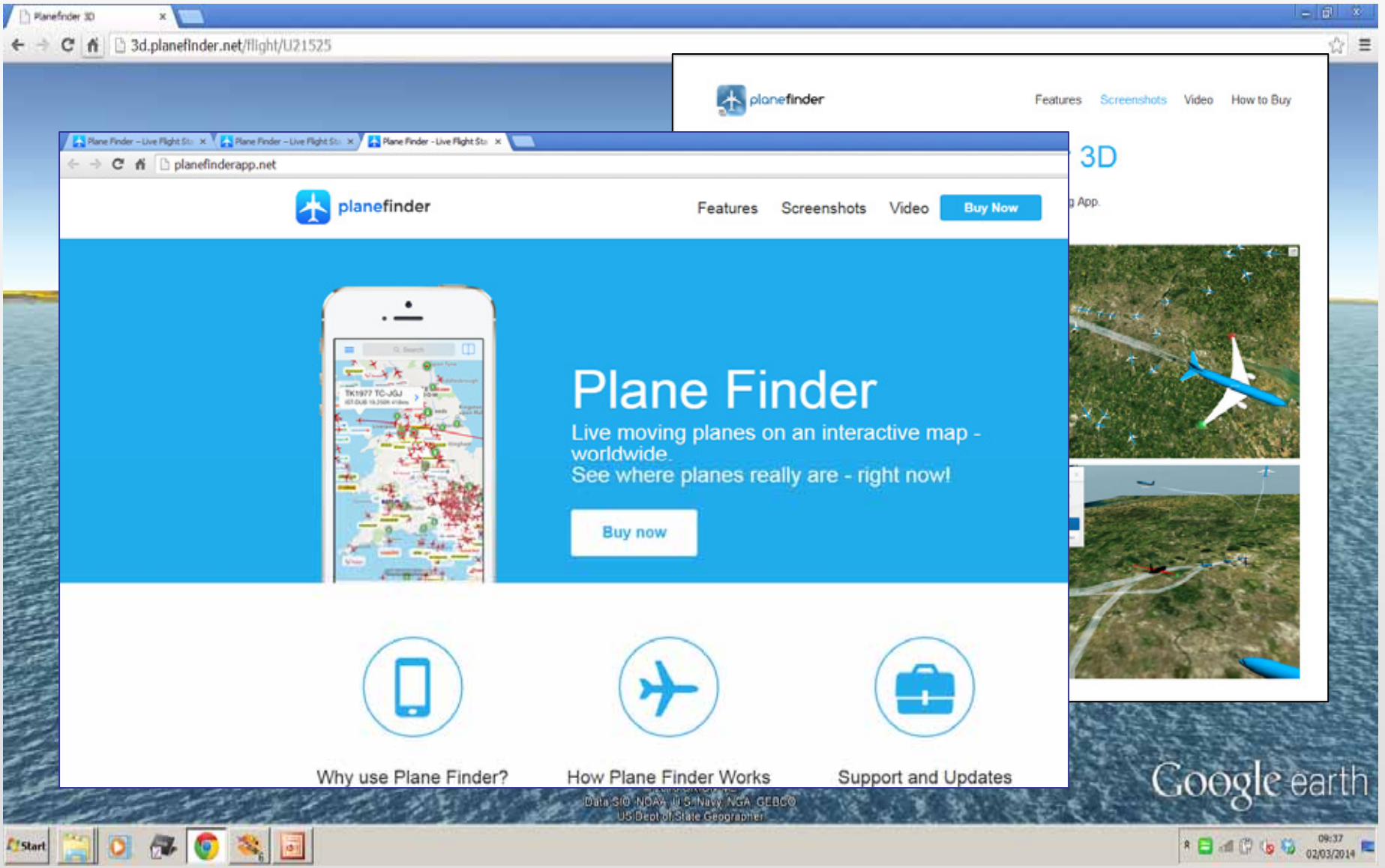
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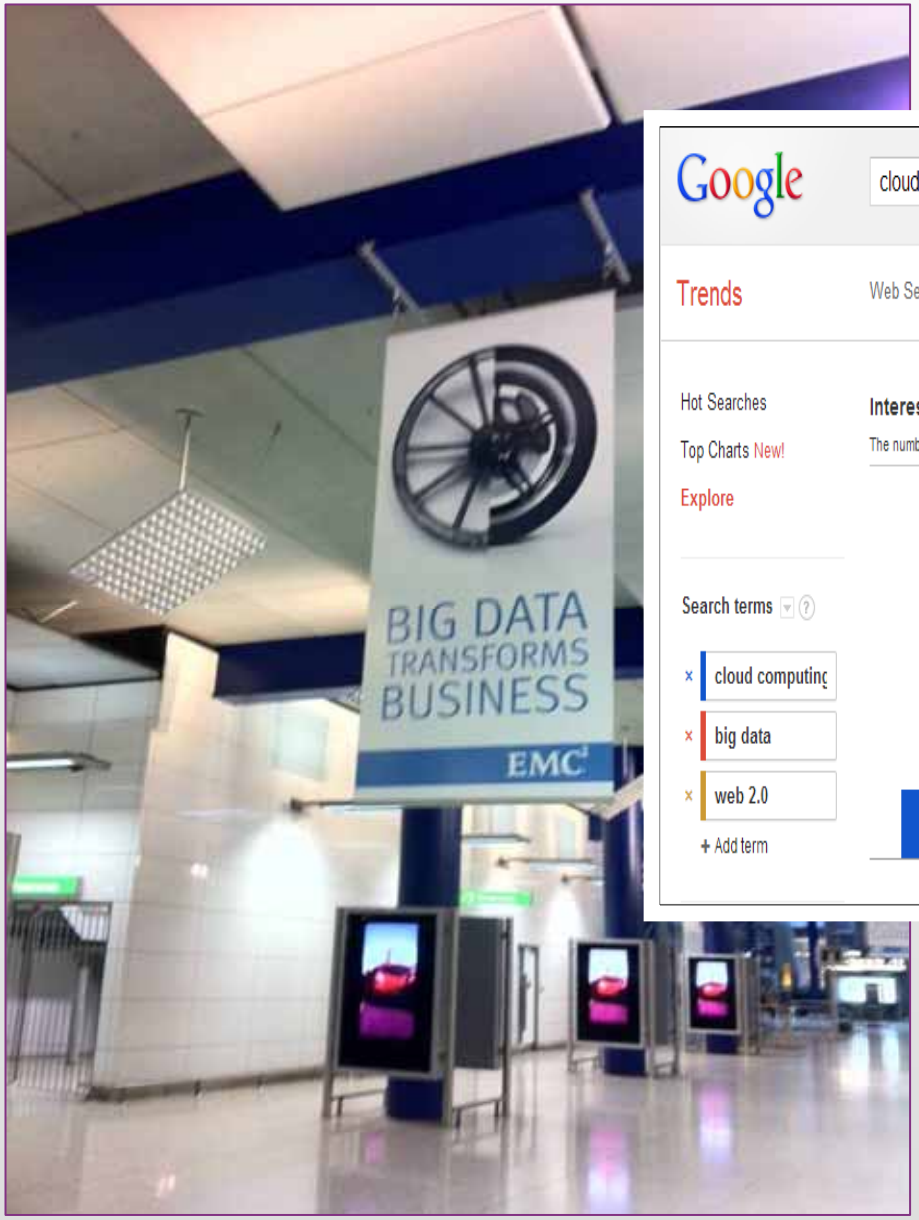
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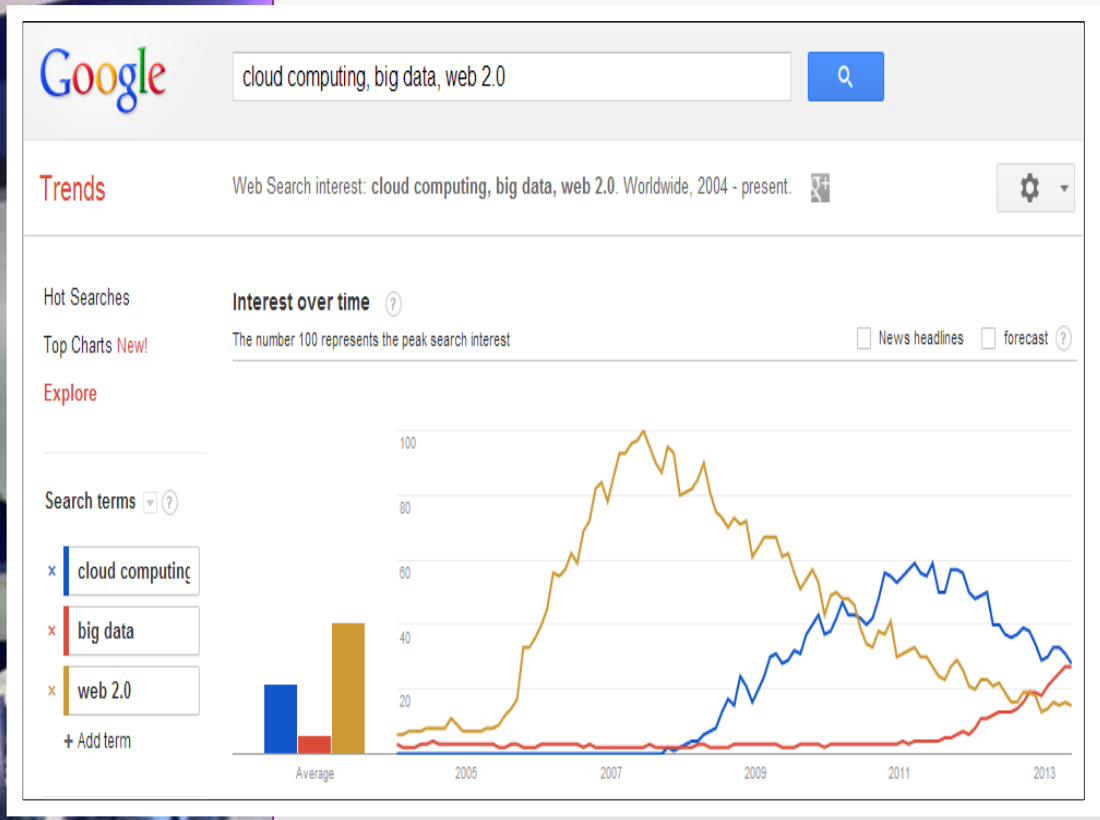
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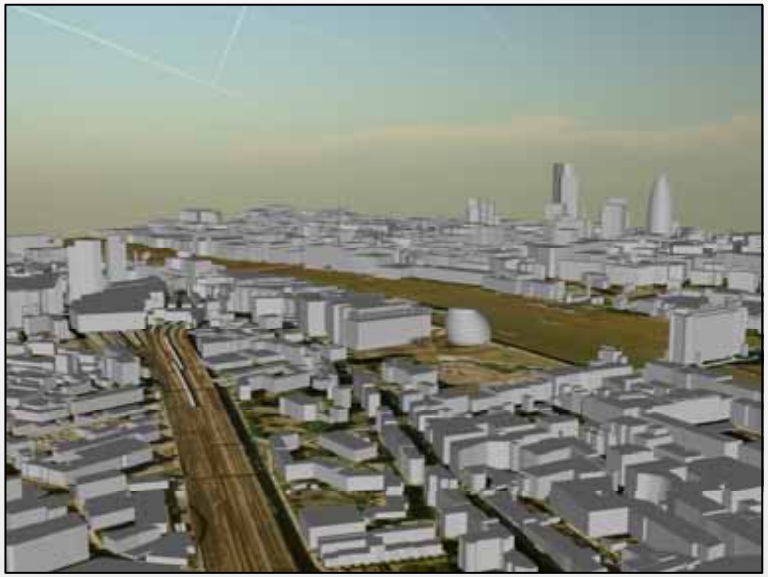
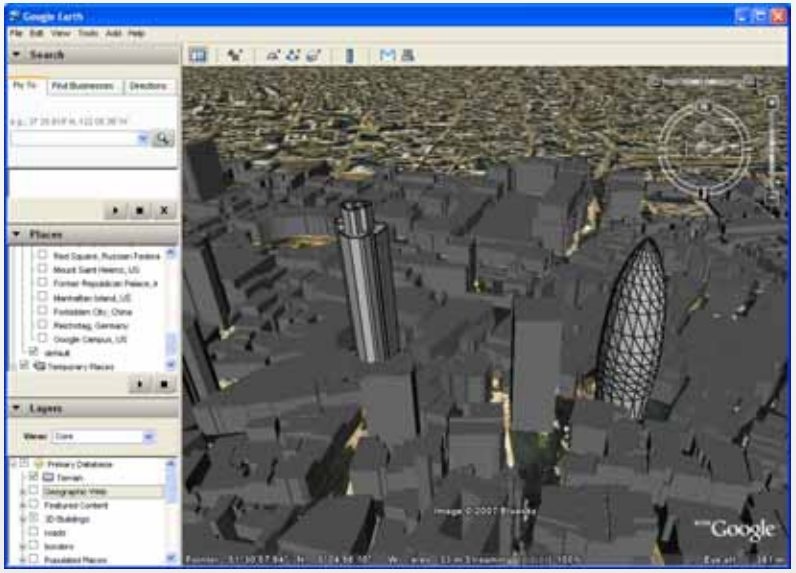
Visualisation is all important in making sense of big data

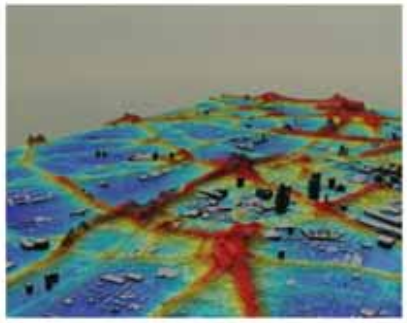
Real time, streamed data is usually unstructured it does not come in a form that is already ordered

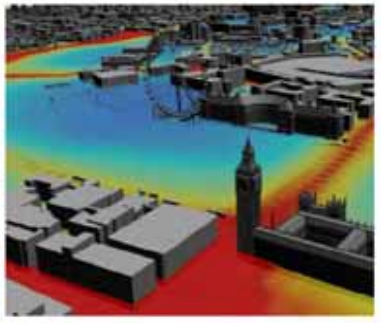
To find patterns in it, we need to visualise it making it a little more abstract

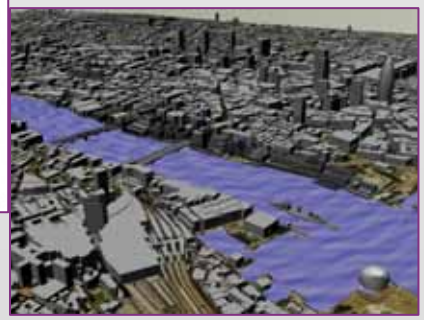
Let me show you some patterns that are clear when we visualise in 3D

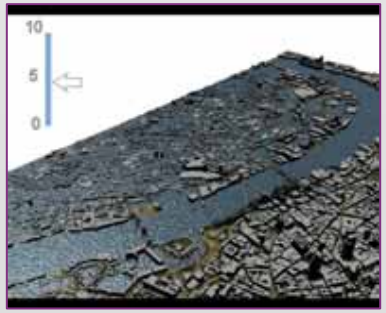












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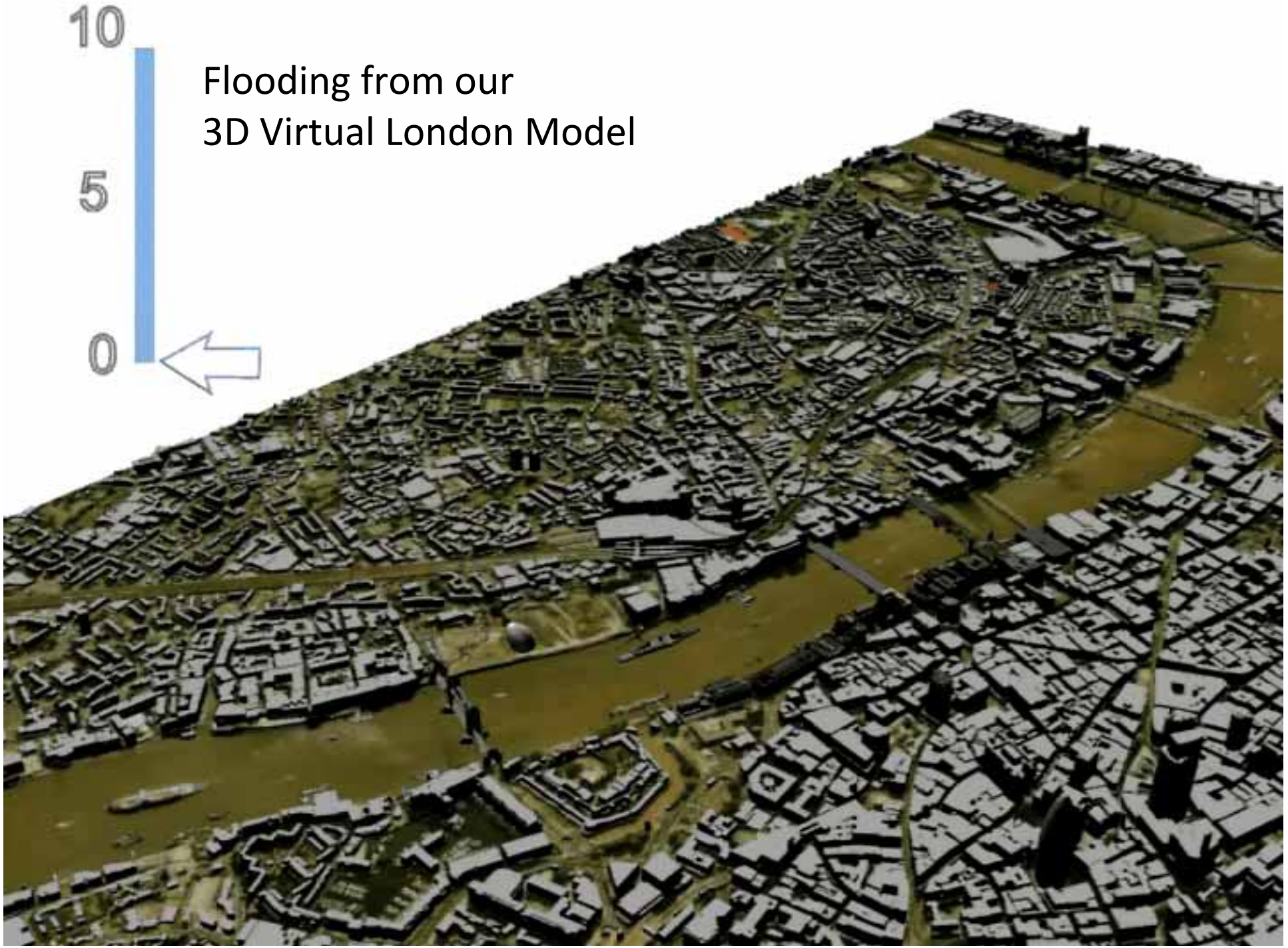
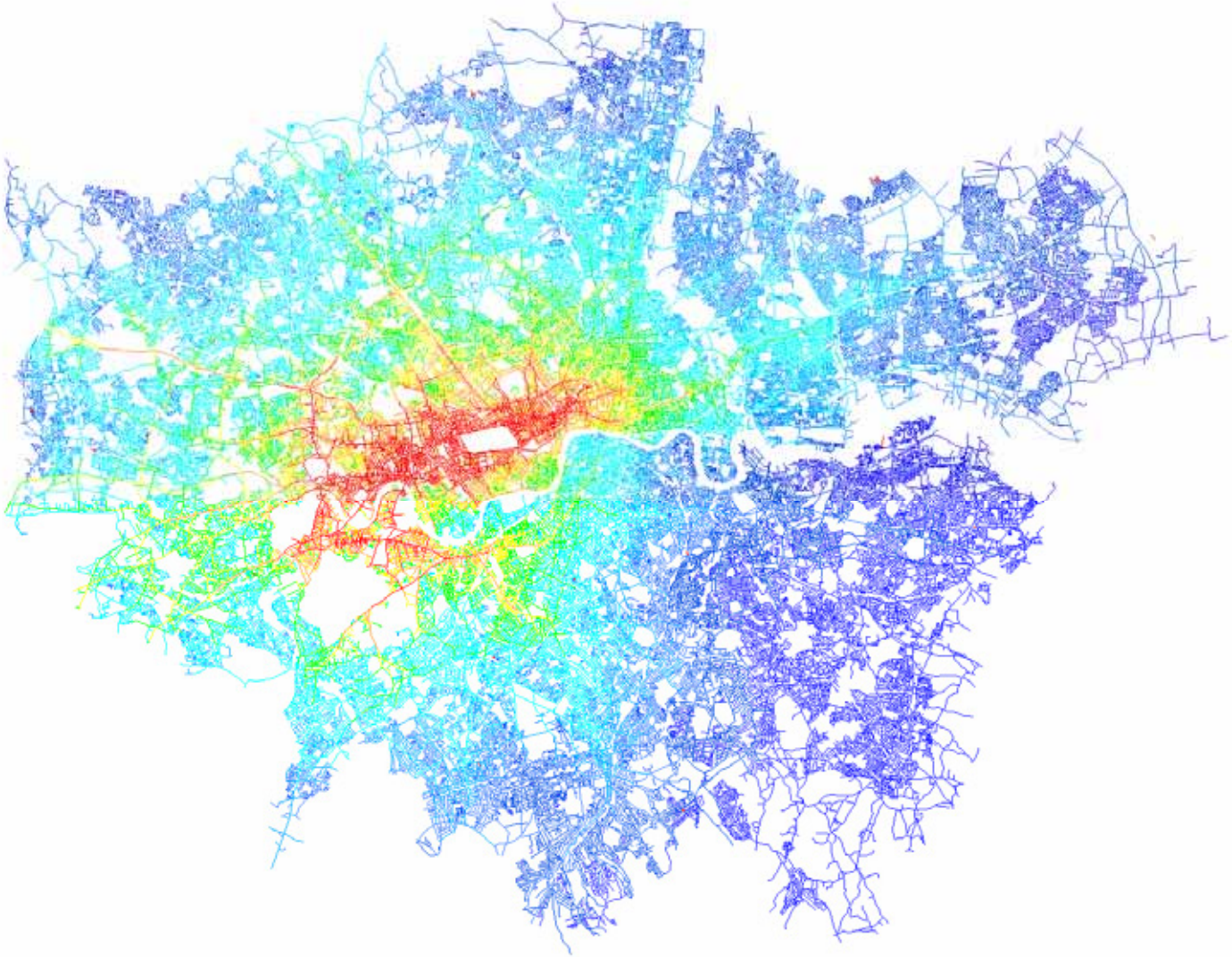
Flooding from our
3D Virtual London Model



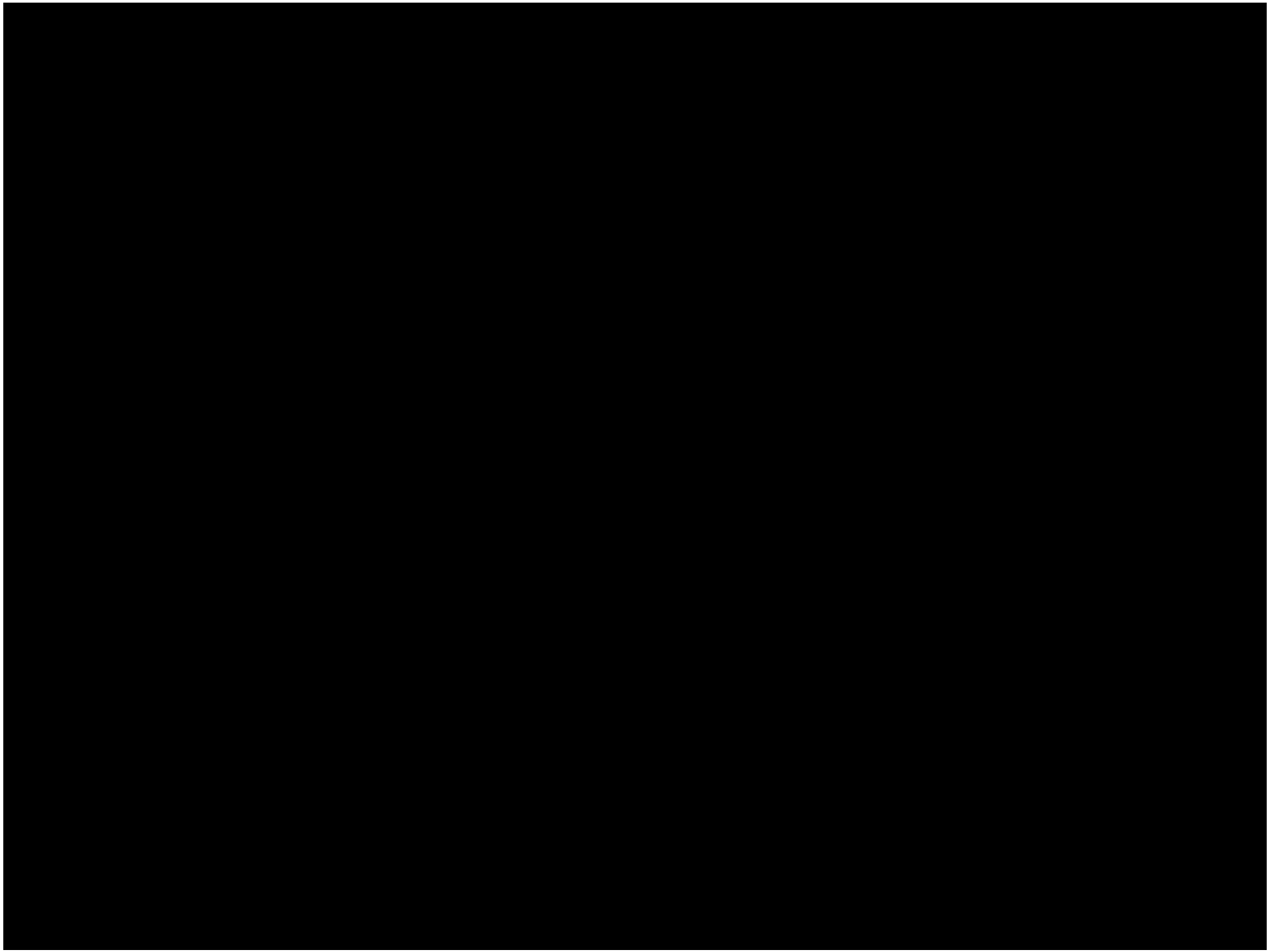


Shifts in Traffic Accessibility if all Bridges across the Thames are Inoperable as far West as Hammersmith

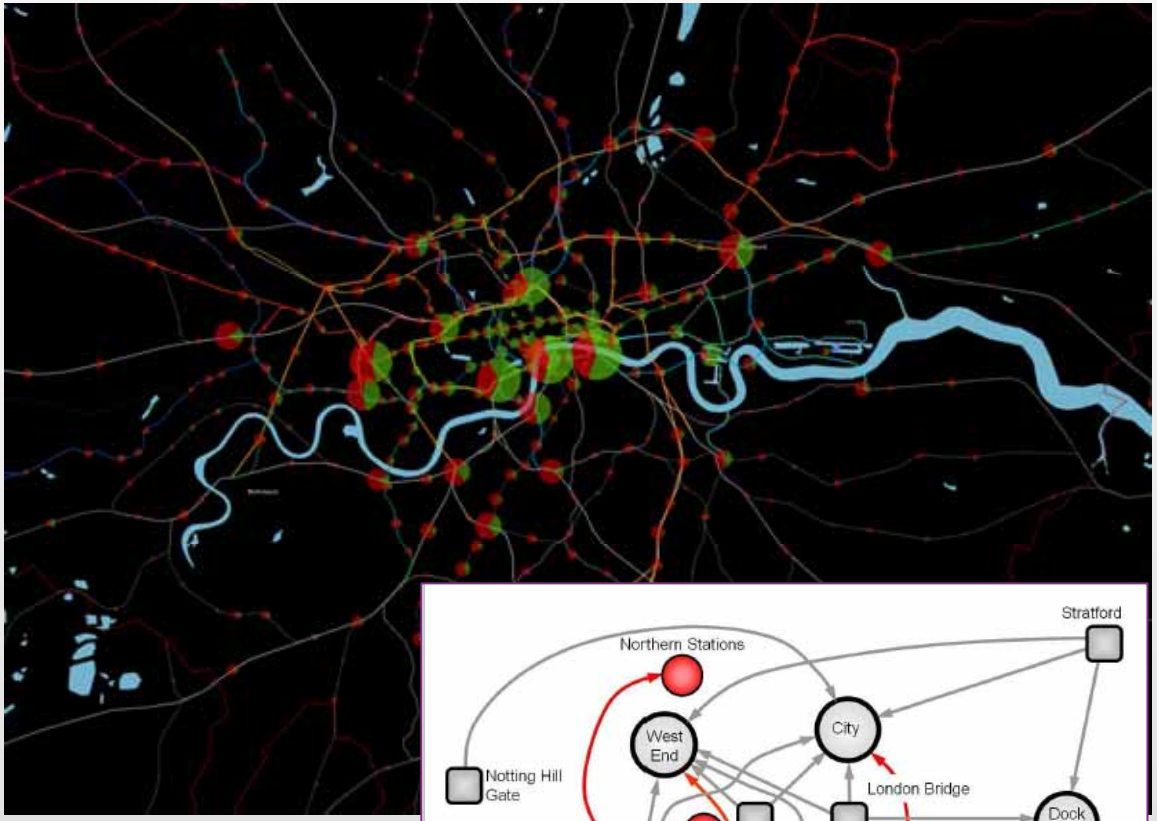
I will return to my subway example using the Oyster card data

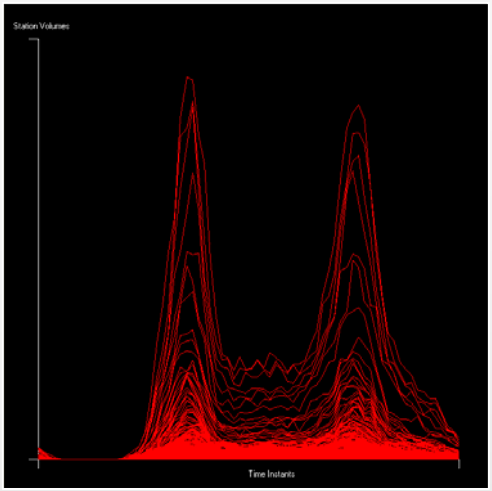
We can do many things with this and one of the key things is to understand how different kinds of passengers travel

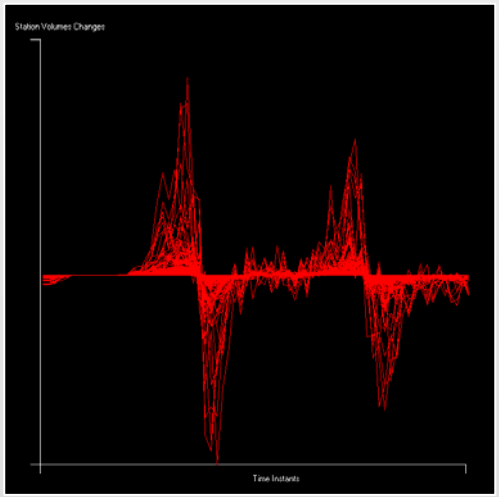
We have just visualised the movement patterns over one day for disabled free pass travellers which can be identified in the data

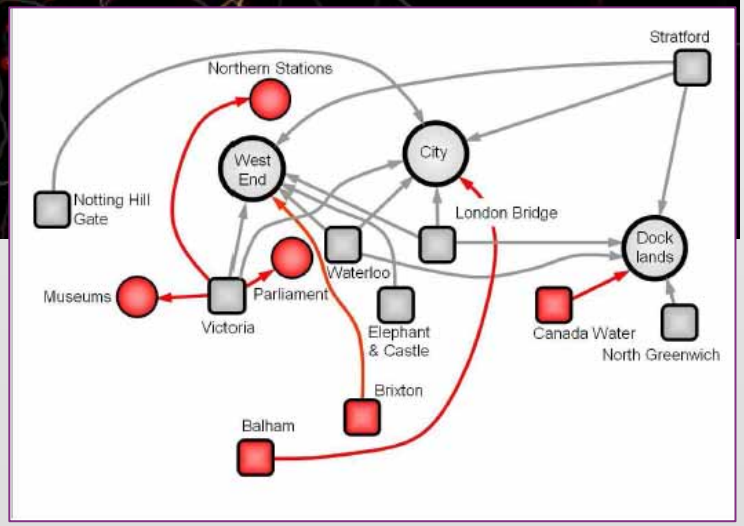


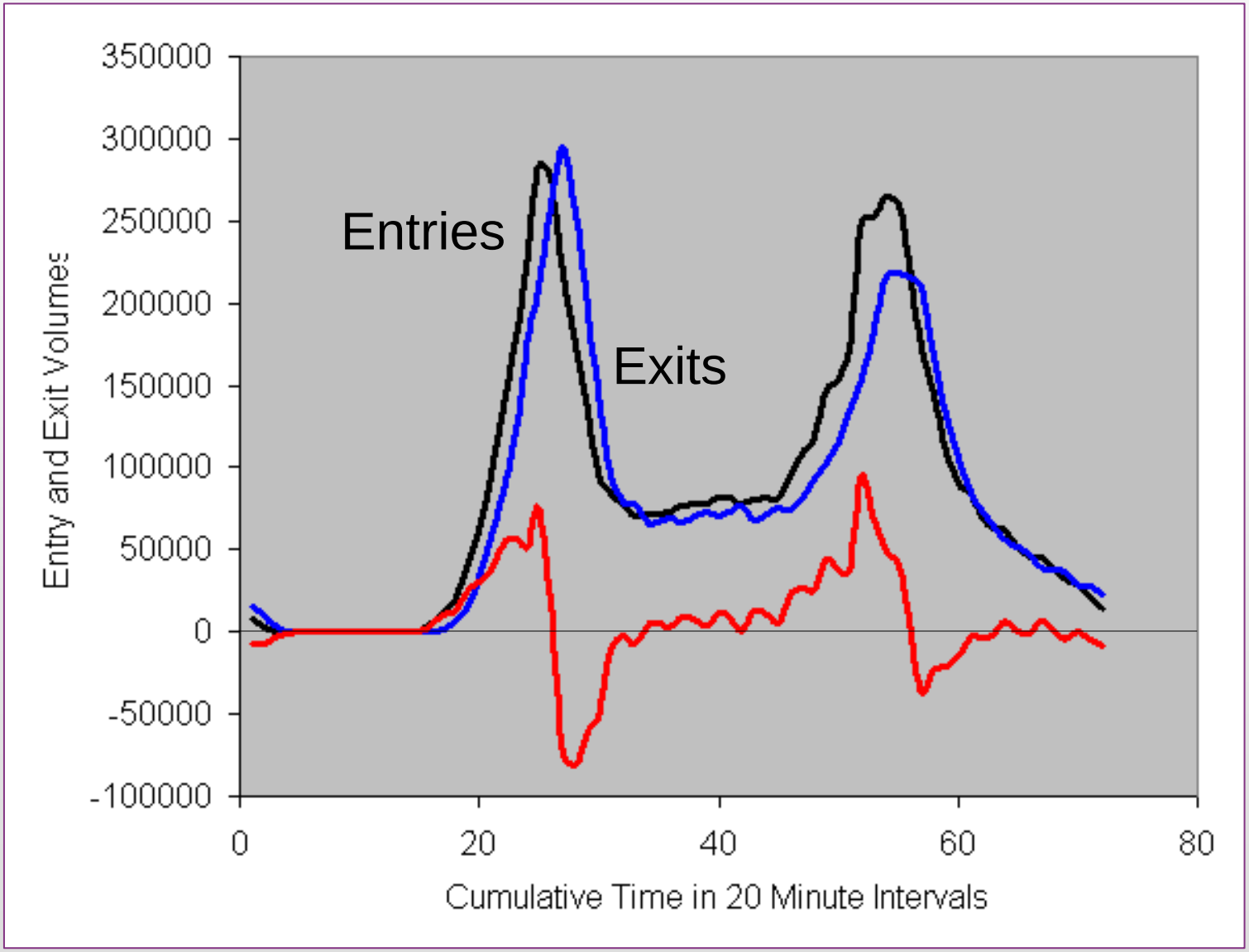
Oyster Card Data – interpreting urban structure, multitrips, etc.







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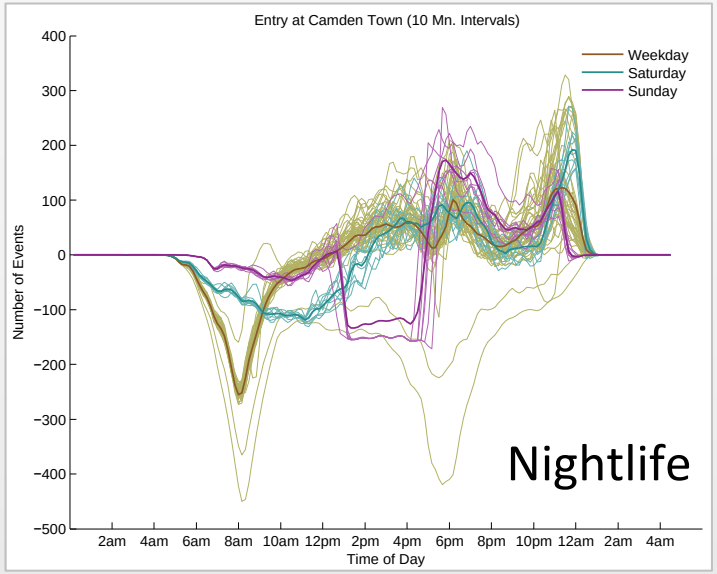
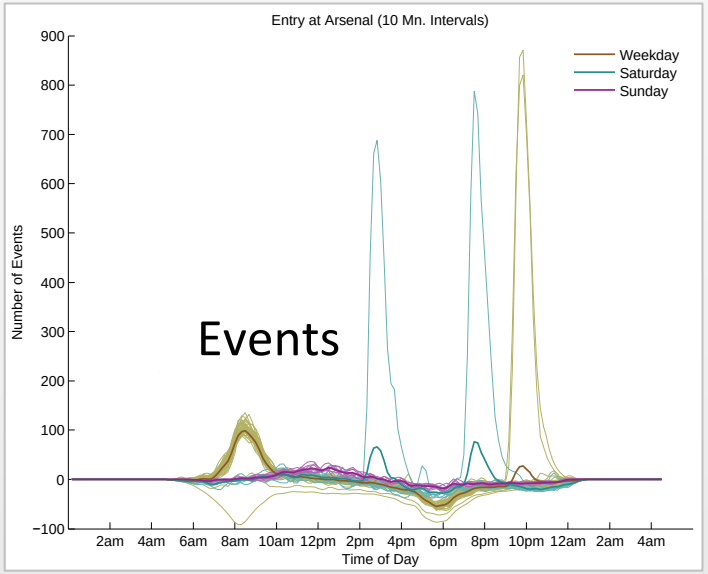
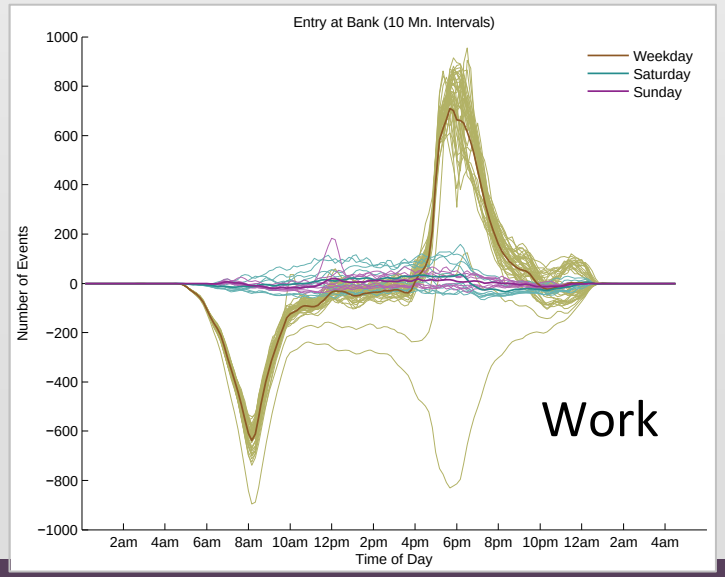
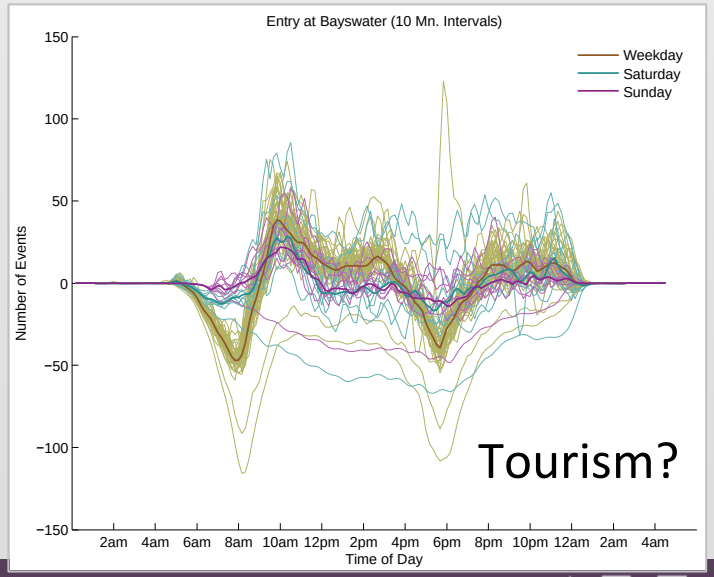
Cumulative Time in 20 Minute Intervals

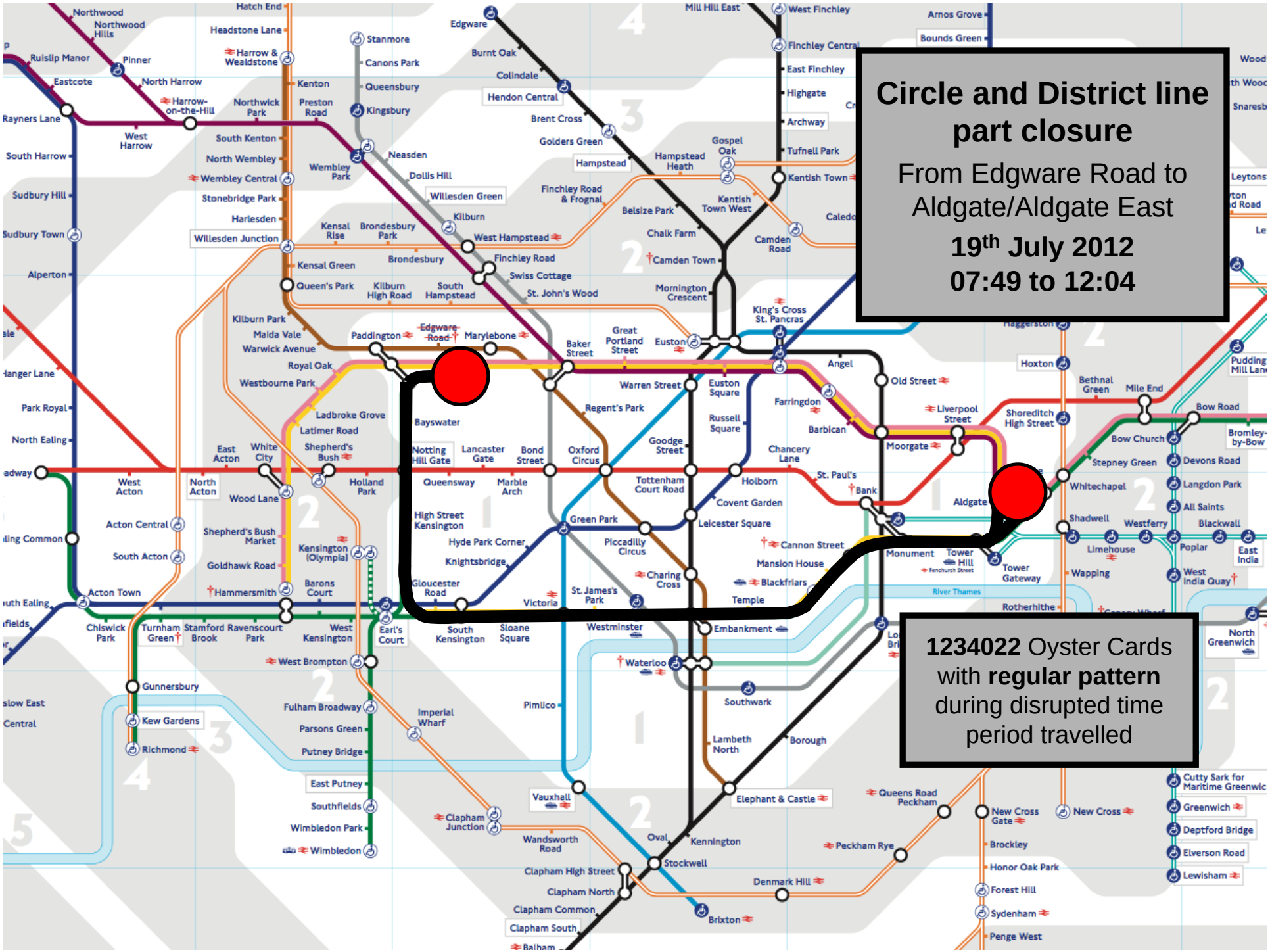
Particular Events: Weekdays, Saturdays and Sundays







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Chalk Farm
Camden Road
Camden Town
Finchley Road & Frognal
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Swiss Cottage
St. John's Wood
Mornington Crescent
King's Cross St. Pancras
Euston
Great Portland Street
Baker Street
Marylebone
Edgware Road
Paddington
Warwick Avenue
Maida Vale
Kilburn Park
Queen's Park
Kilburn High Road
South Hampstead
Brondesbury
Kensal Green
Willesden Junction
Kensal Rise
Brondesbury Park
Kilburn
West Hampstead
Willesden Green
Dollis Hill
Neasden
Wembley Park
Wembley Central
Stonebridge Park
Harlesden
South Kenton
North Wembley
Kenton
Preston Road
Northwick Park
Harrow & Wealdstone
Harrow-on-the-Hill
North Harrow
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Eastcote
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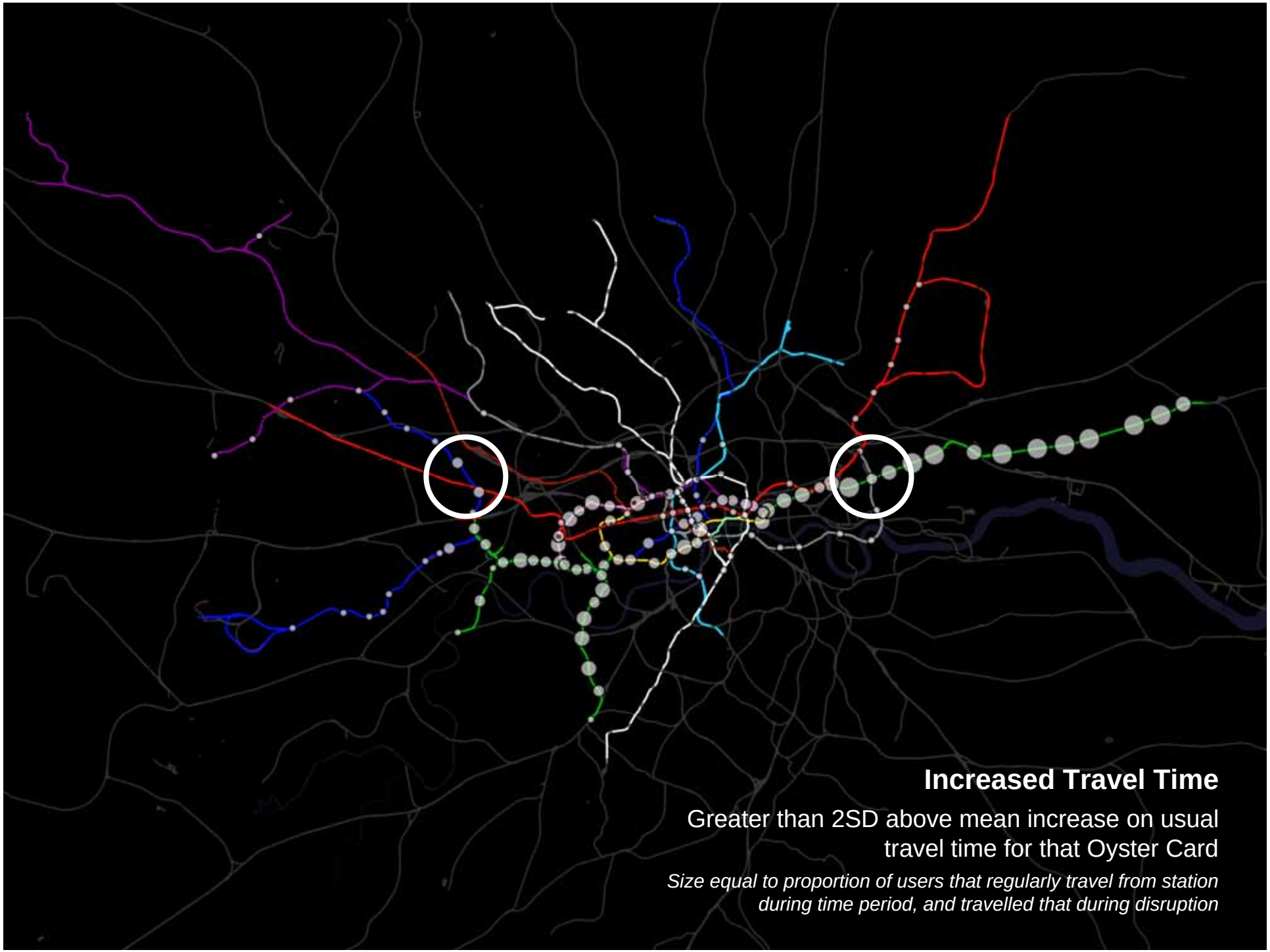
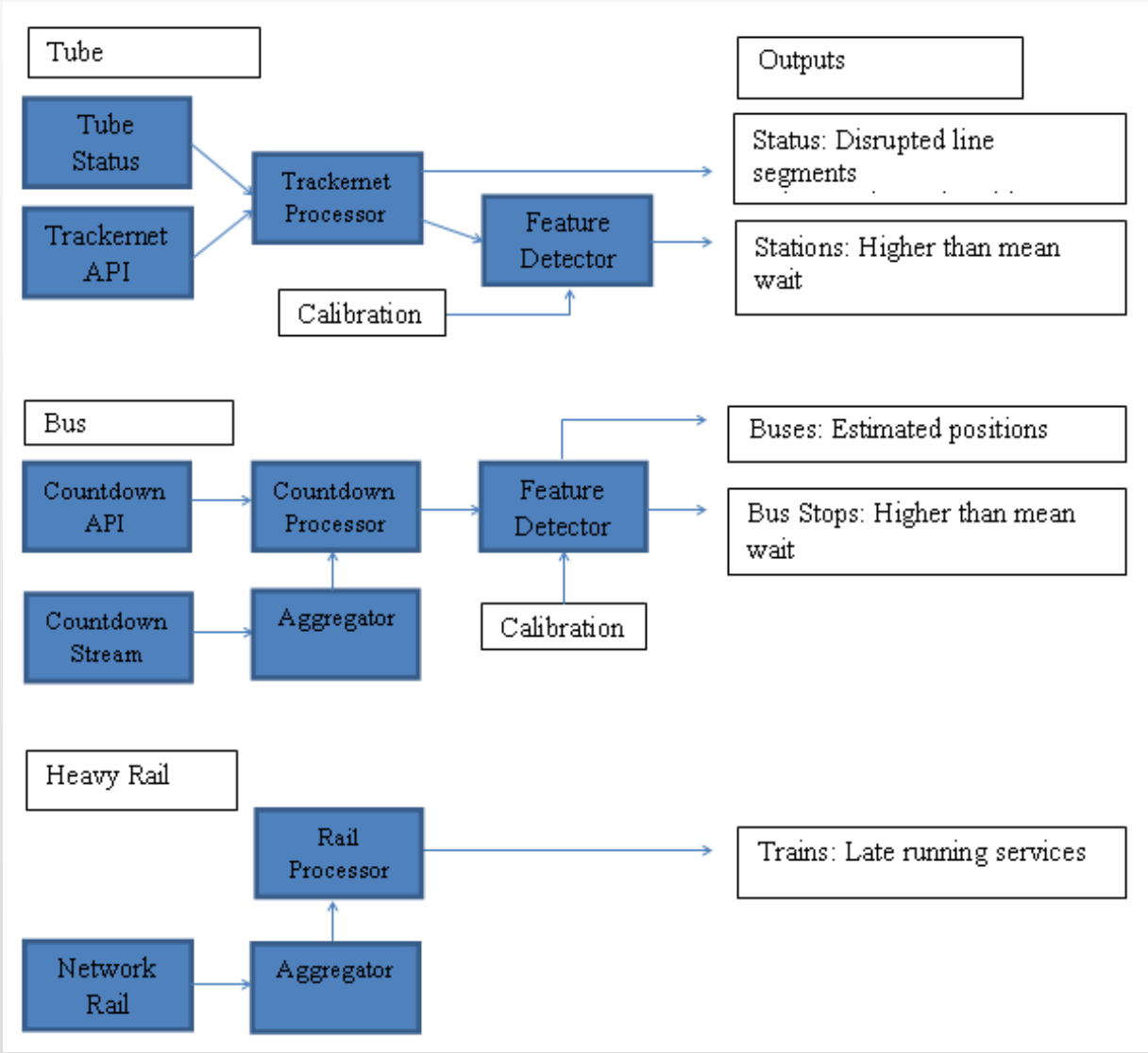
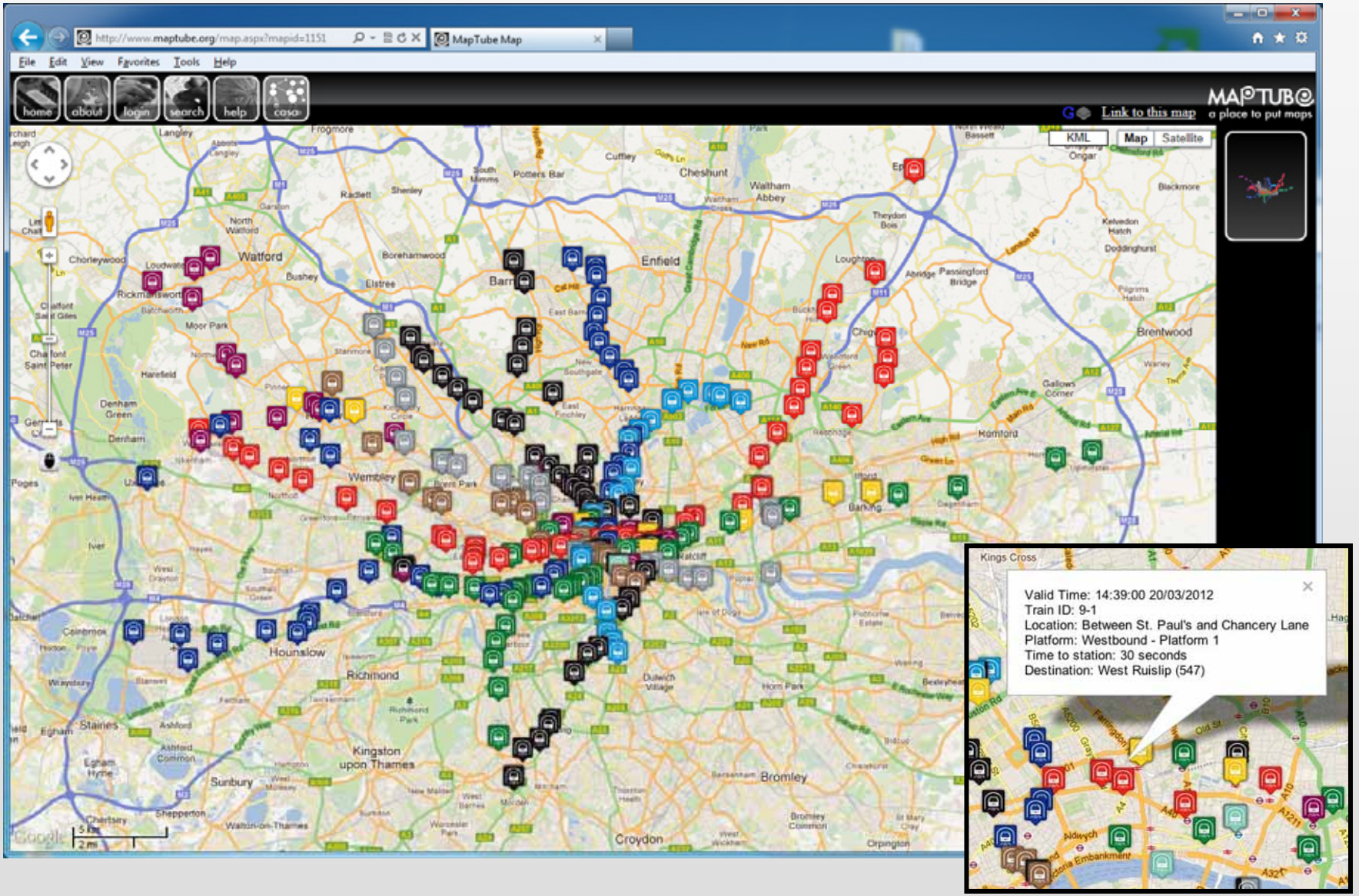

Increased Travel Time
Greater than 2SD above mean increase on usual travel time for that Oyster Card
Size equal to proportion of users that regularly travel from station during time period, and travelled that during disruption

The Public Transport System in Terms of Vehicle Flows

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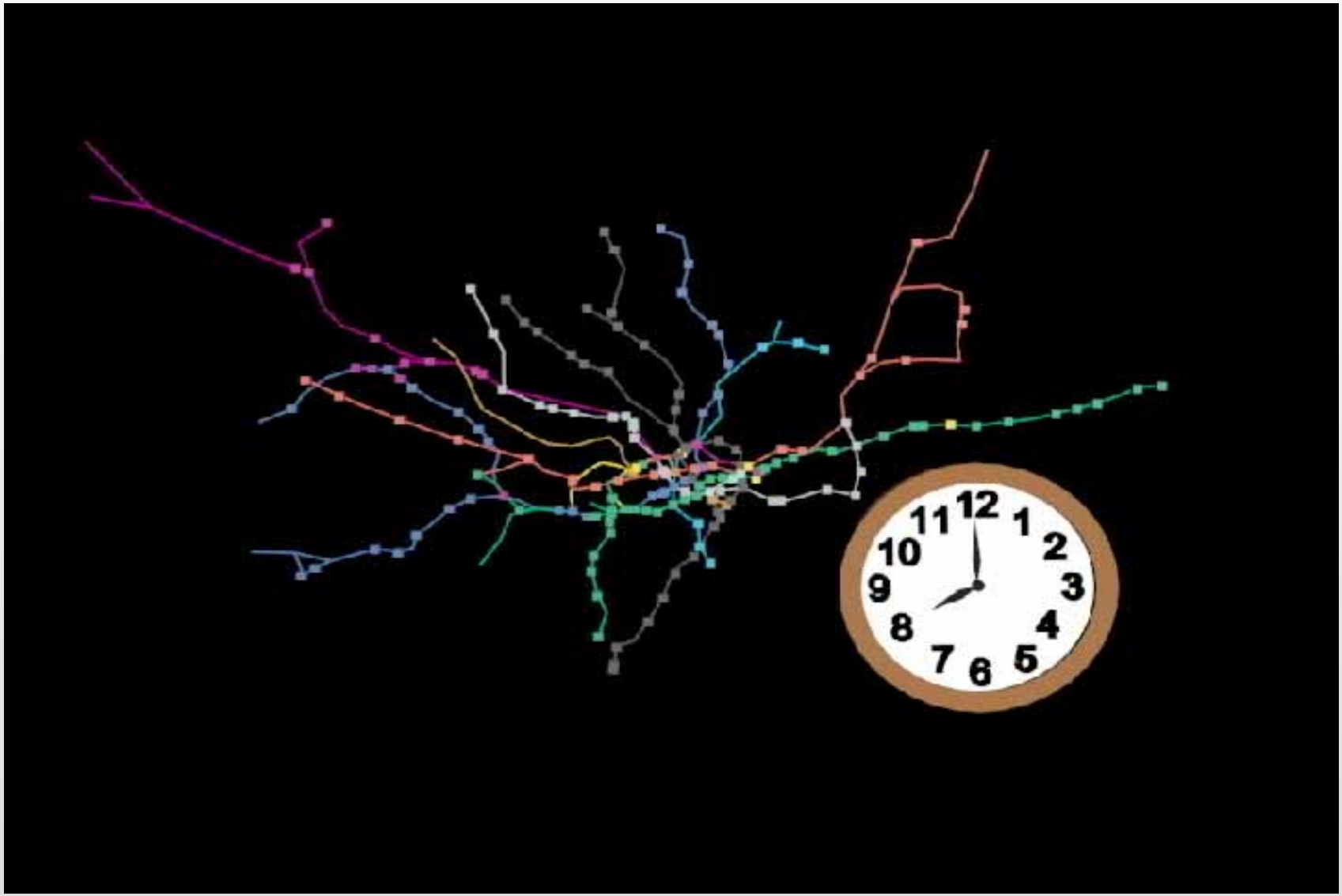
Time to station: 30 seconds
Destination: West Ruislip (547)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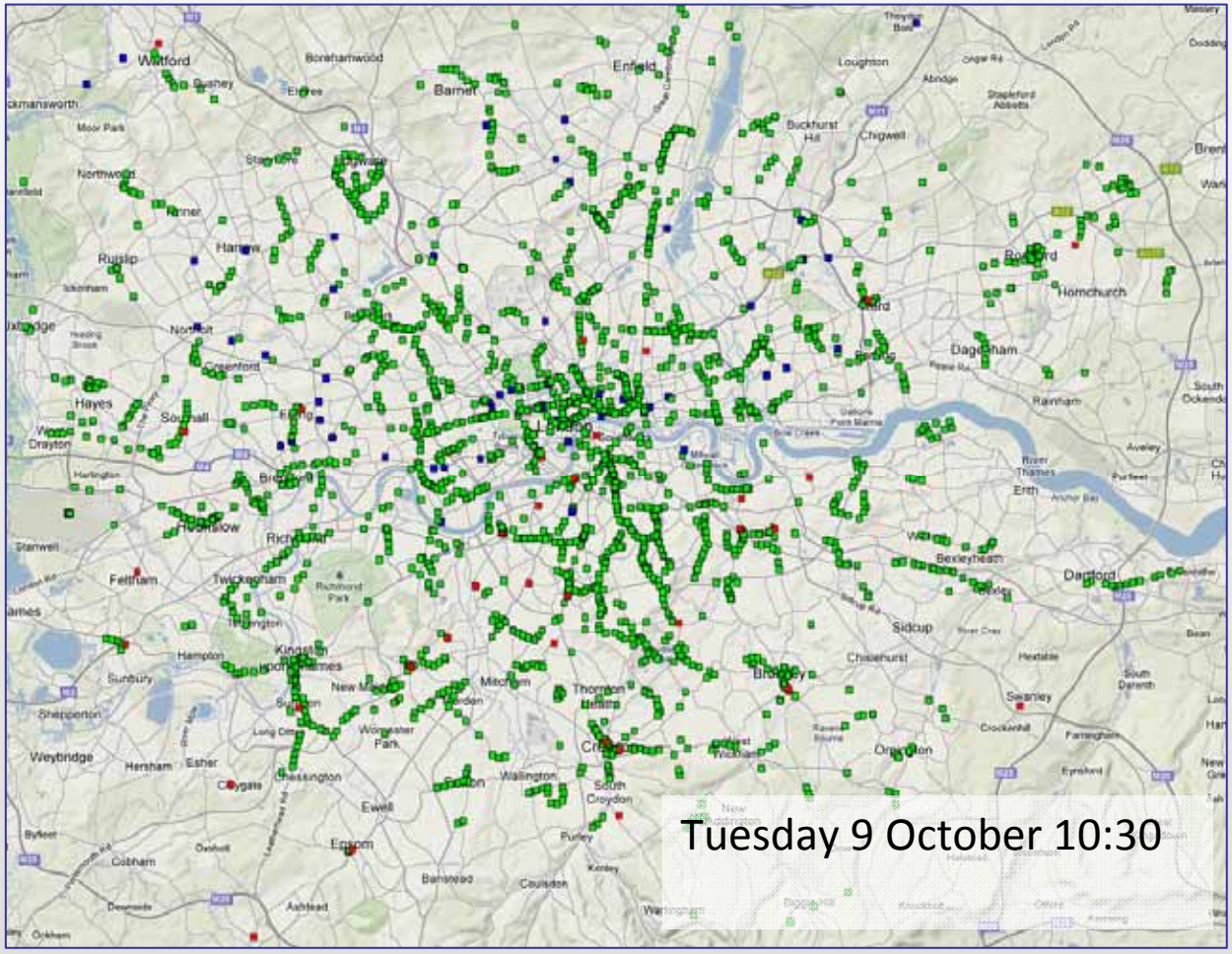
Delays from Tube, National Rail and Bus Fused



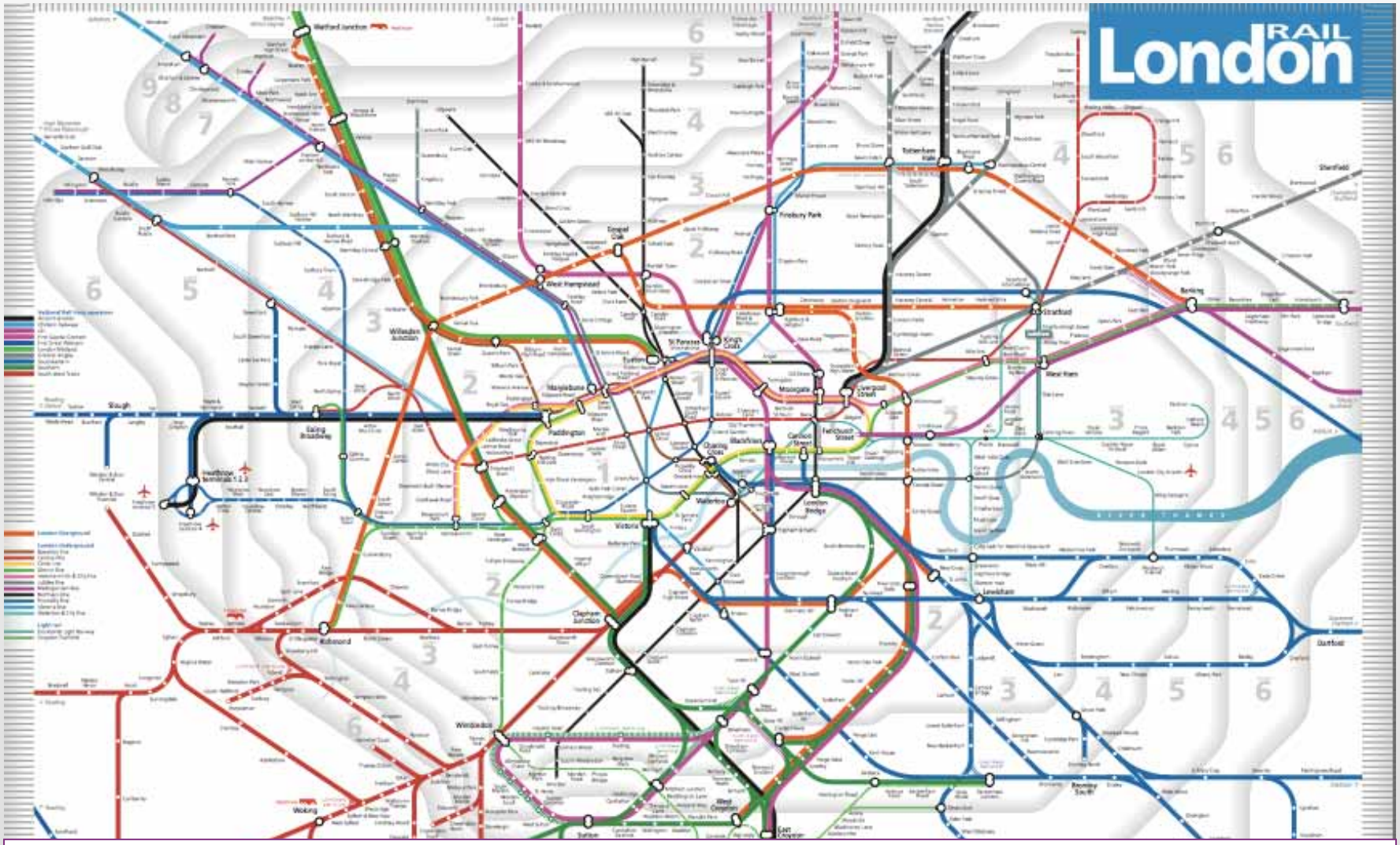
Key

National Rail more than 5 minutes late

Tube stations showing a wait time 15% above expected

Bus stops showing a wait time 20% above expected

Tube delays from the TfL status feed are also plotted as lines

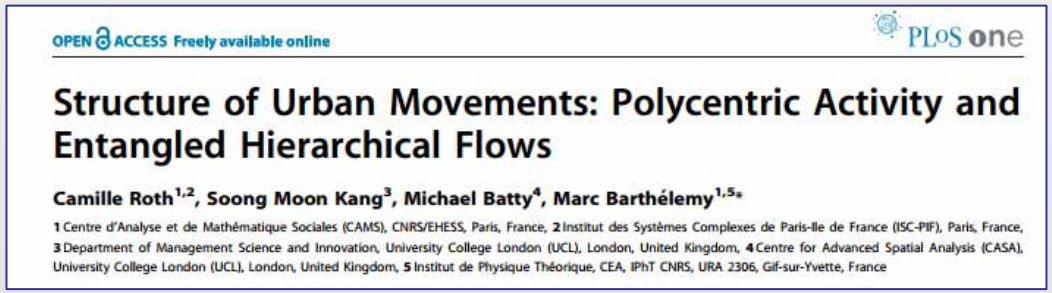


Tube, Overground and National Rail Networks in London
where Oyster cards can be used

Just to bring us academics back to earth we need to write our papers on all this stuff in learned journals so here are some examples

Here is a digression into our alchemy

We did a paper in 2011 with Marc Barthelemy in PLOS One



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PLoS one

Structure of Urban Movements: Polycentric Activity and Entangled Hierarchical Flows

Camille Roth[1,2], Soong Moon Kang[3], Michael Batty[4], Marc Barthélemy[1,5]*

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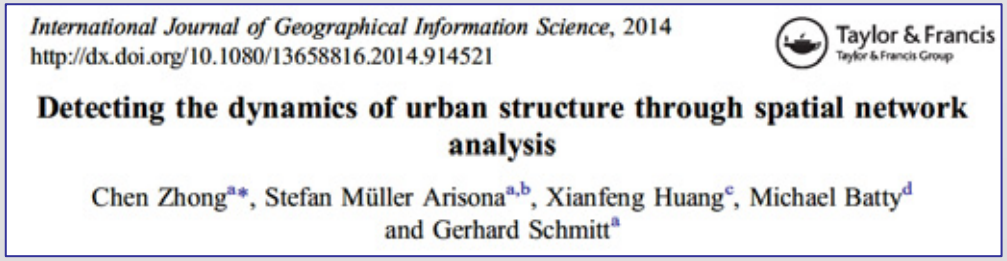
We have done a paper recently with Chen Zhong for the Easy-Link data in Singapore



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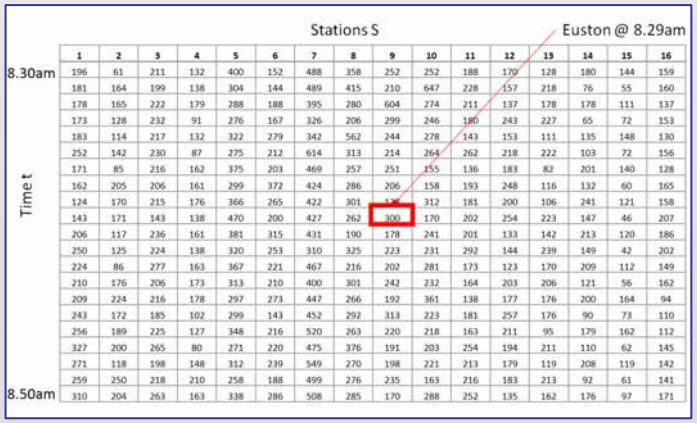
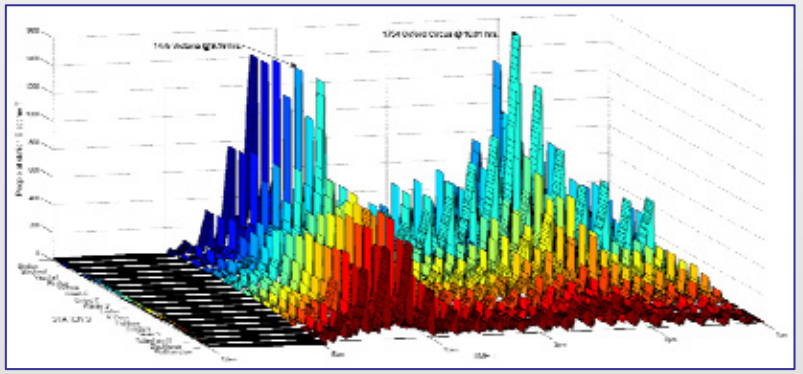
Detecting the dynamics of urban structure through spatial network analysis

Chen Zhong[a]*, Stefan Müller Arisona[a,b], Xianfeng Huang[c], Michael Batty[d] and Gerhard Schmitt[a]

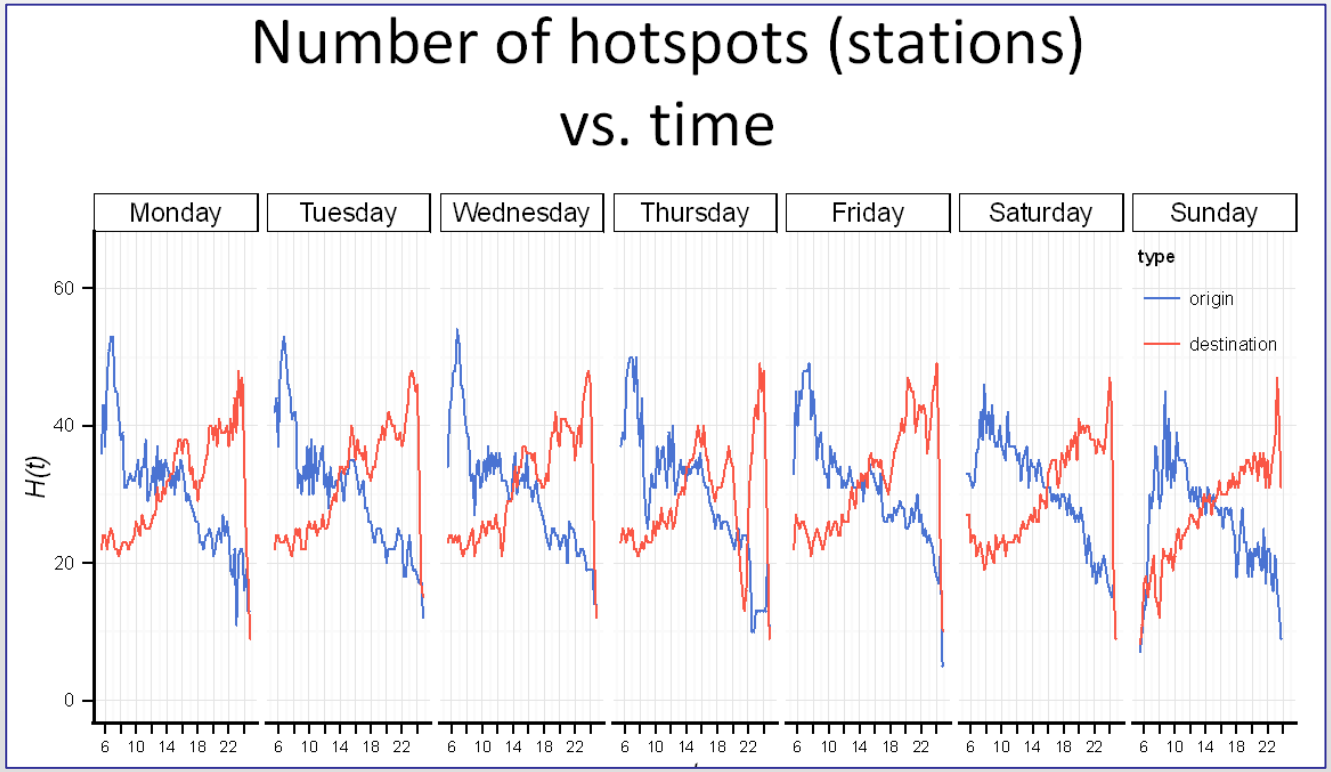
We are currently using information theory to figure out how much information from trips is transmitted from station to station through time by working out how many passengers are in stations or on trains in stations over time. We are using the concept of **transfer entropy** to do this. I don't have time to say much about this but here is a picture about this for one line in London

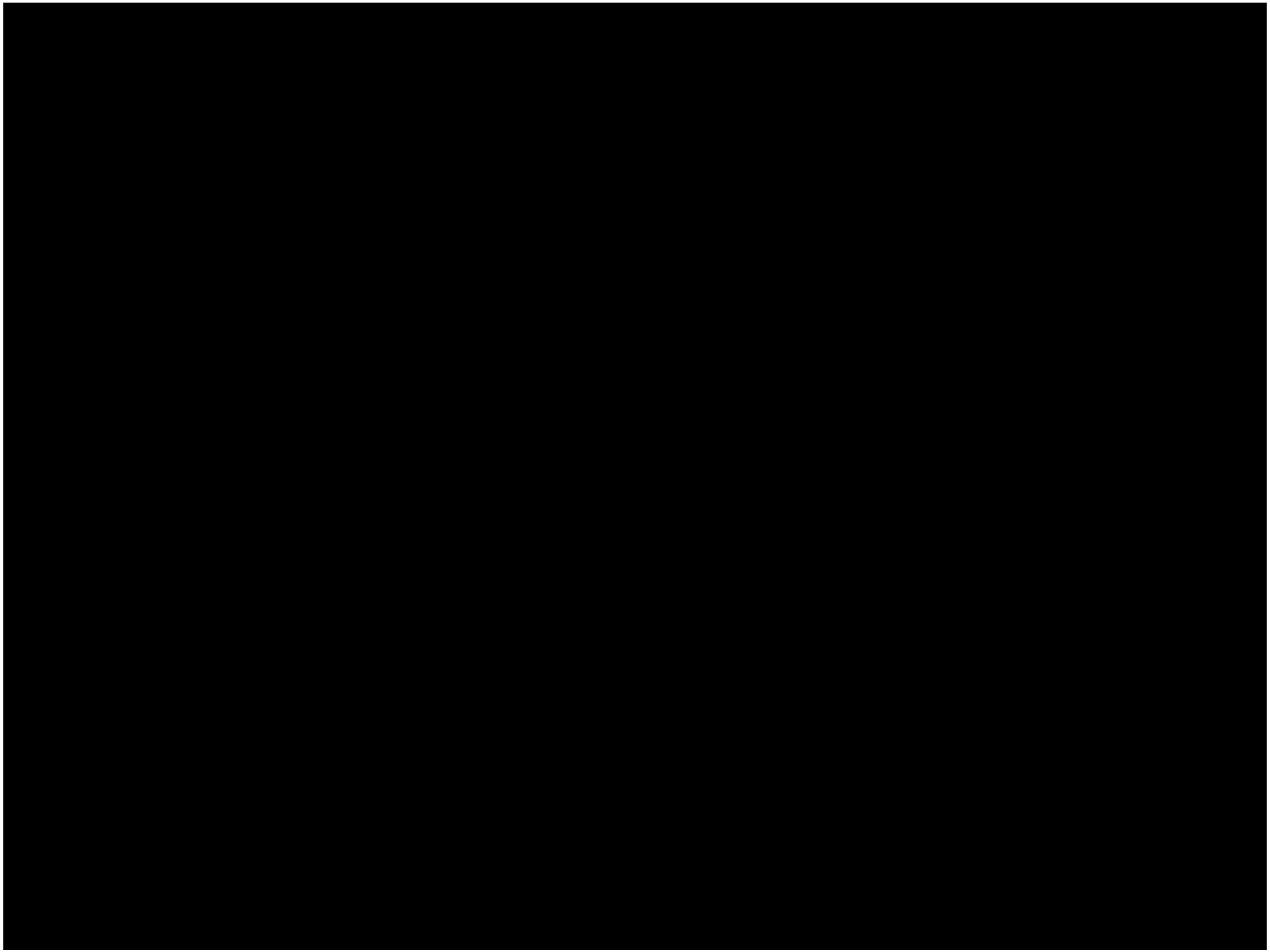




$$T_{YX} = \sum_{t=1} p(y_{t+1}, y_t, x_t) \log \frac{p(y_{t+1}|y_t, x_t)}{p(y_{t+1}|y_t)}$$

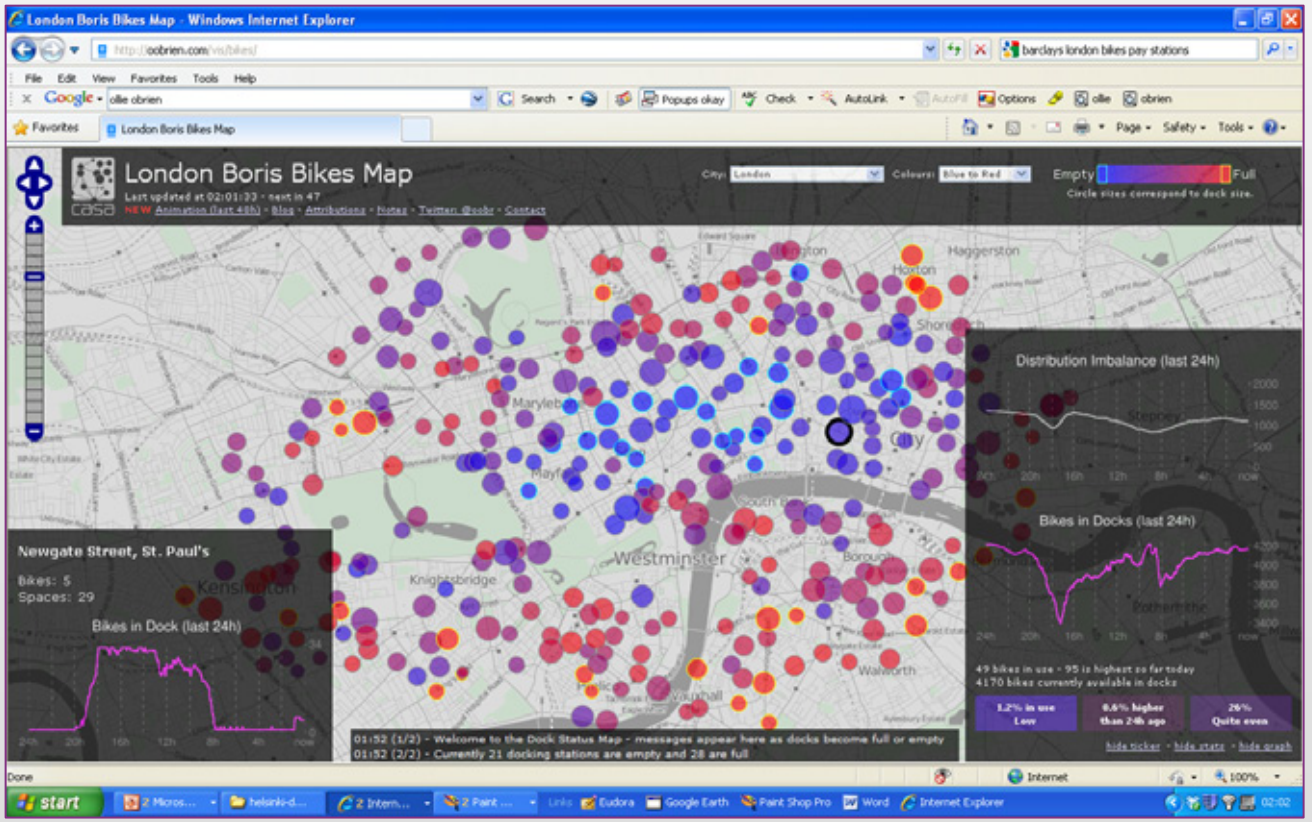
Second we are working with the Oyster data again with Melanie Bosredon in out group and Marc Barthelemy in Paris on extracting clusters from the travel data using a new method of defining intensity. I will show this as a simple movie of origin and destination intensities as they change over time of day.

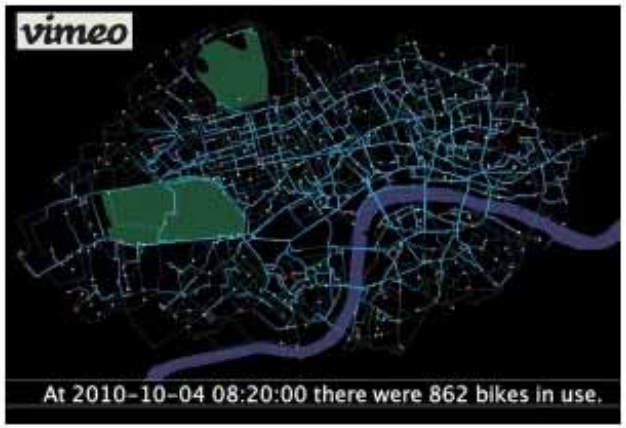




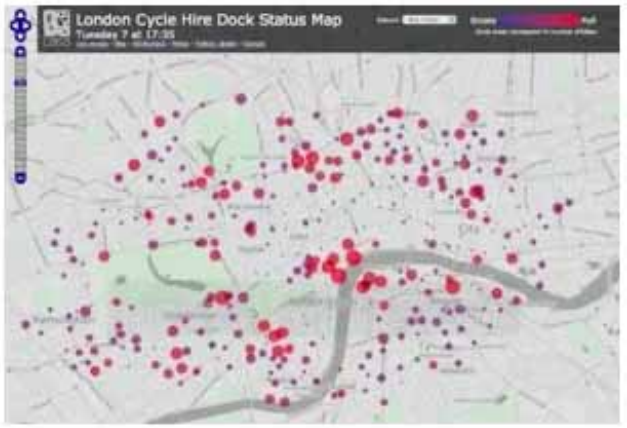
A lot of data is now coming online for travel and one of our group Oliver O'Brien has some 97 bike schemes world wide for which he has online data in real time

Bikes Data – 4200 bikes, started Nov 2010, all the data– everything – all trips, all times, all stations/docks





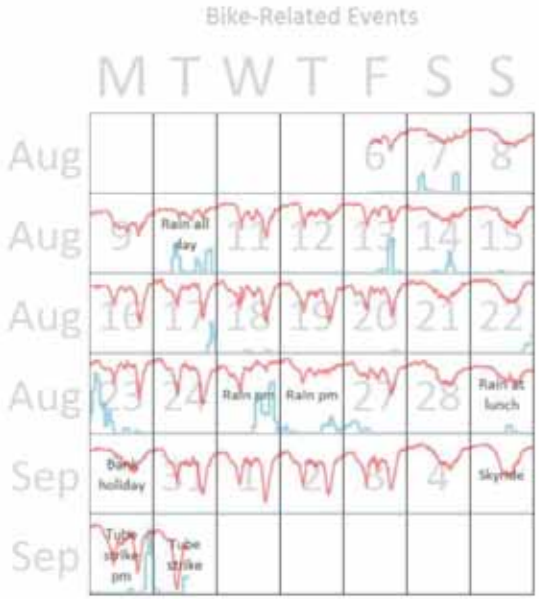
Animations of Public Bike Movements



Animations of Changes in the Bike Nodes: Docking

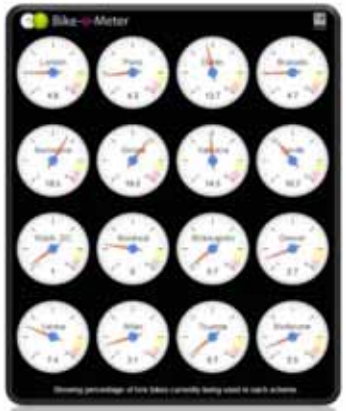
More Analysis

- **London**
- Graph shows number of bikes available to hire
- Effect of rain
  - Using the CASA weather station
- Effect of the tube strikes

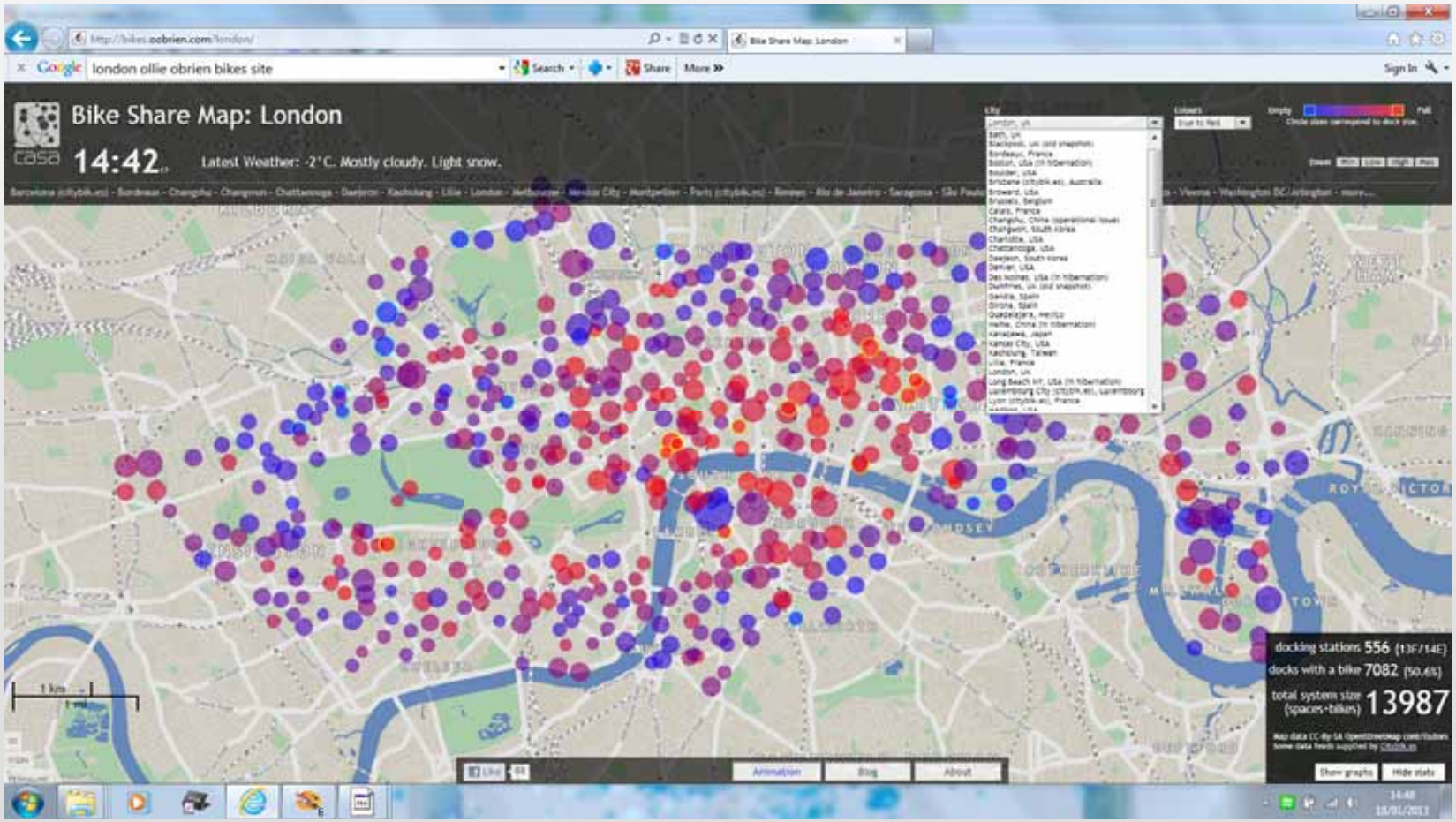


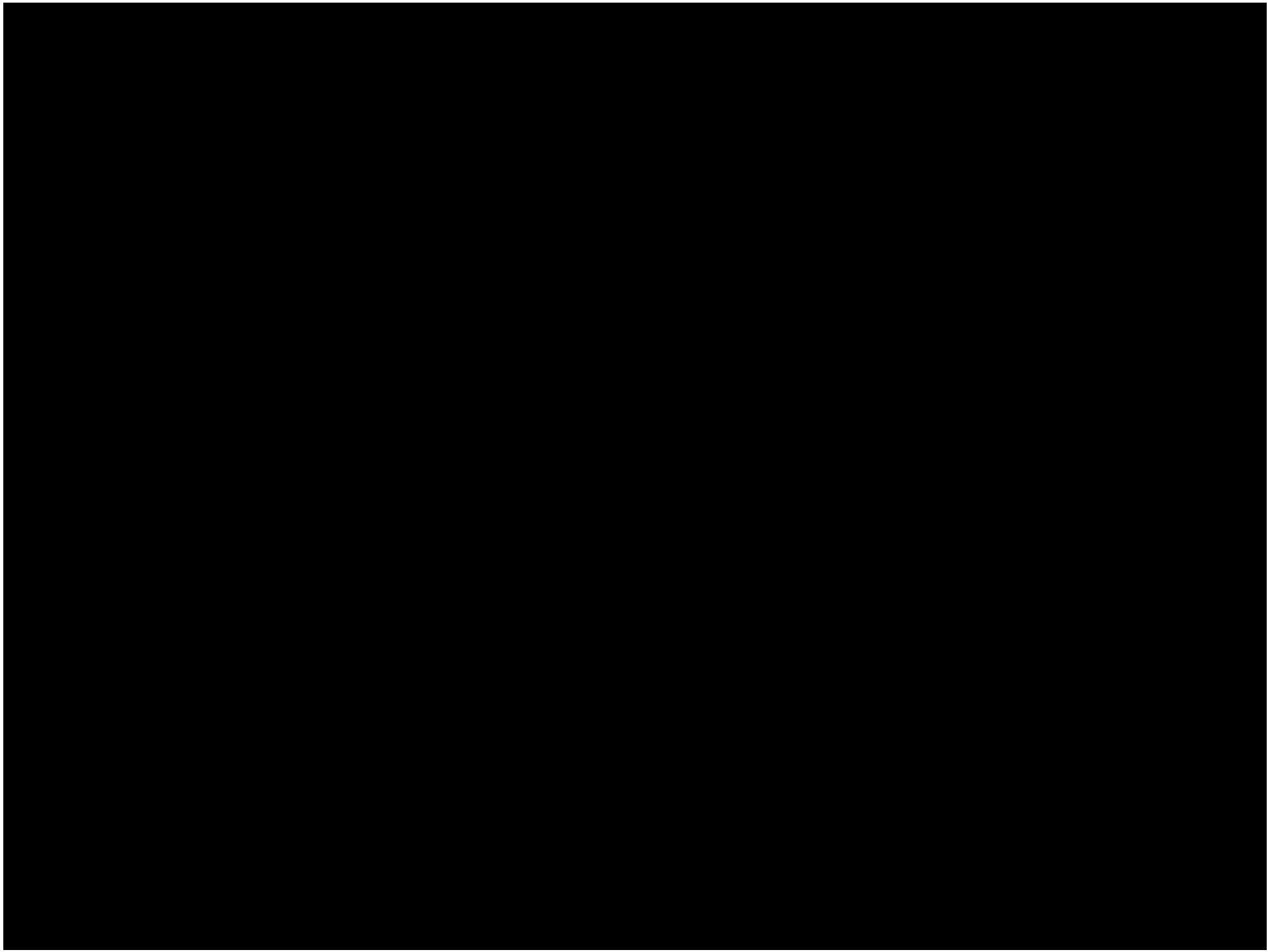
Bike-o-Meter
casa.ucl.ac.uk/bom

- Tweet-o-Meter for bikes
  - Steven Gray (@frogo)
  - Using Google Gauges
- See the real life Tweet-o-Meters at the new British Library "Growing Knowledge" exhibition
  - Should be easy to hack to show the Bike-o-Meters instead ☺



The Website: Real Time Visualisation of Origins and Destinations Activity http://bikes.oobrien.com/london/





We are collecting some of this real time data together in one stop portals – City Dashboards

And here is our example for London but we have some other cities too such as Manchester, Bristol and so on

London
51.51 N, 0.13 W
Mon 30 Jun @ 20:47:27
Weather Stations (Multiple Sources)
Station
Wind Speed
Wind Gusts
Direction
Temperature
Humidity
Rain Today
Pressure
Forecast
CASA Office: Bloomsbury W1
1.8 mph
1 mph
NW
19.2 °C
63%
1.3 mm
1016.4 mbar
Dry Clear
Lambeth Meters: Brixton SW9
4.1 mph
4.1 mph
SE
16.8 °C
79%
1.2 mm
1016.9 mbar
Dry Clear
Hampstead NW3
1.6 mph
0 mph
W
15.2 °C
80%
0.7 mm
1017.0 mbar
Hard Rain
Tube Line Status (TfL)
Bakerloo Good Service
Central Good Service
Circle Good Service
District Good Service
H & C Good Service
Jubilee Good Service
Metropolitan Good Service
Northern Good Service
Piccadilly Good Service
Victoria Severe Delays more
W & C Good Service
Overground Good Service
DLR Good Service
London Cycle Hire (TfL)
2.9 %
Stations Full
8 %
Stations Empty
9321
Bikes Available
381
Bikes or Docks Faulty
Available Bikes (last 24h)
24h 20h 16h 12h 8h 4h now
Traffic Cameras (Two at Random) (TfL)
A5 Cricklewood Broadway
A23 Streatham H Rd/Mitcham Ln
Camera 00001.04514
In use keeping London moving*
BBC London News (BBC)
Islamic extremism concerns at school
when mother shot
East London bridge design revealed
Armed officers in Harrow stand-off
chased and stabbed to death
Electricity (N.Grid)
Demand (Great Britain)
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Mood (LSE Mappiness)
5% unhappier than the long term average for here
3% happier than the whole country right now
Twitter Trends for London
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London News and Events (Twitter)
Data unavailable
London Universities (Twitter)
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I will change tack to finish and talk about data that we generate ourselves

We can use the power of the web to collect data with a spatial or travel reference using what is called crowdsourcing

We can use data from hand held devices which pertain to movement as Laslo indicated in the previous talk

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BBC RADIO 4

Radio 4: Mapping the Credit Crunch

Welcome to Radio 4 Listeners, below is the Credit Crunch question, simply select an option and then input the first part of your postcode - for example RG11

MapTube will then take your answer and every hour automatically create a map of the nation's mood.

What single factor is hurting you most about the credit crunch?

- Mortgage or Rent
- Petrol
- Food Prices
- Job Security
- Utility Bills
- Not Affected

Enter the first part of your postcode:

Submit

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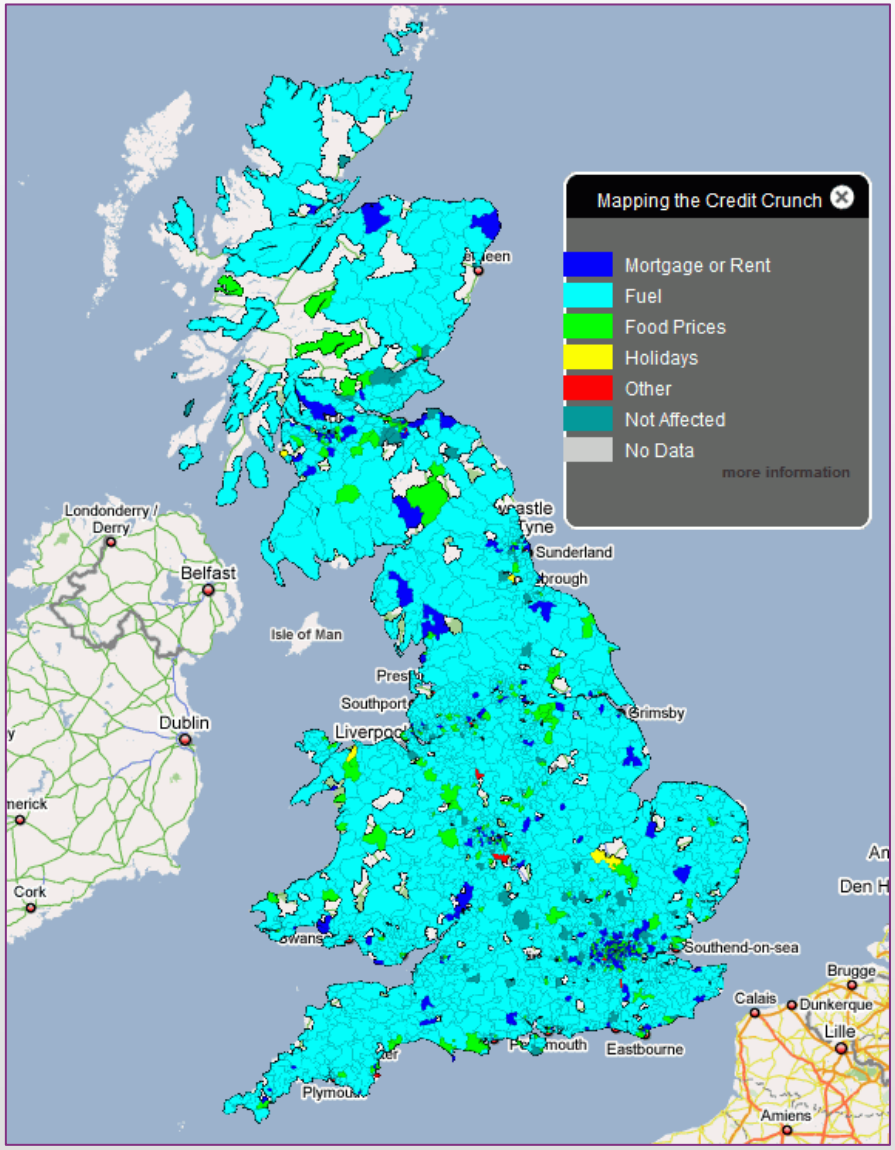
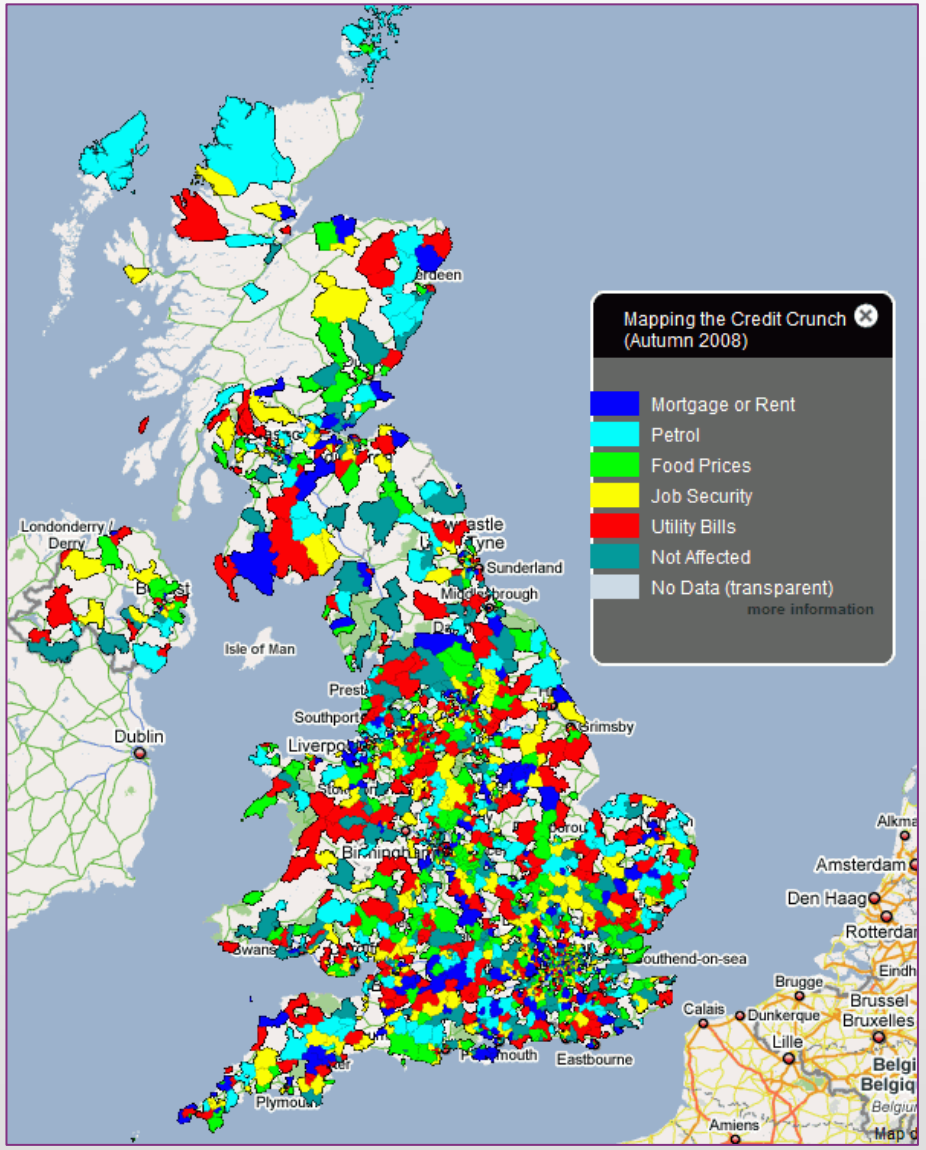
23,475 responses
April, May, June 2008

A new credit crunch survey started in October and currently has 3,802 responses.





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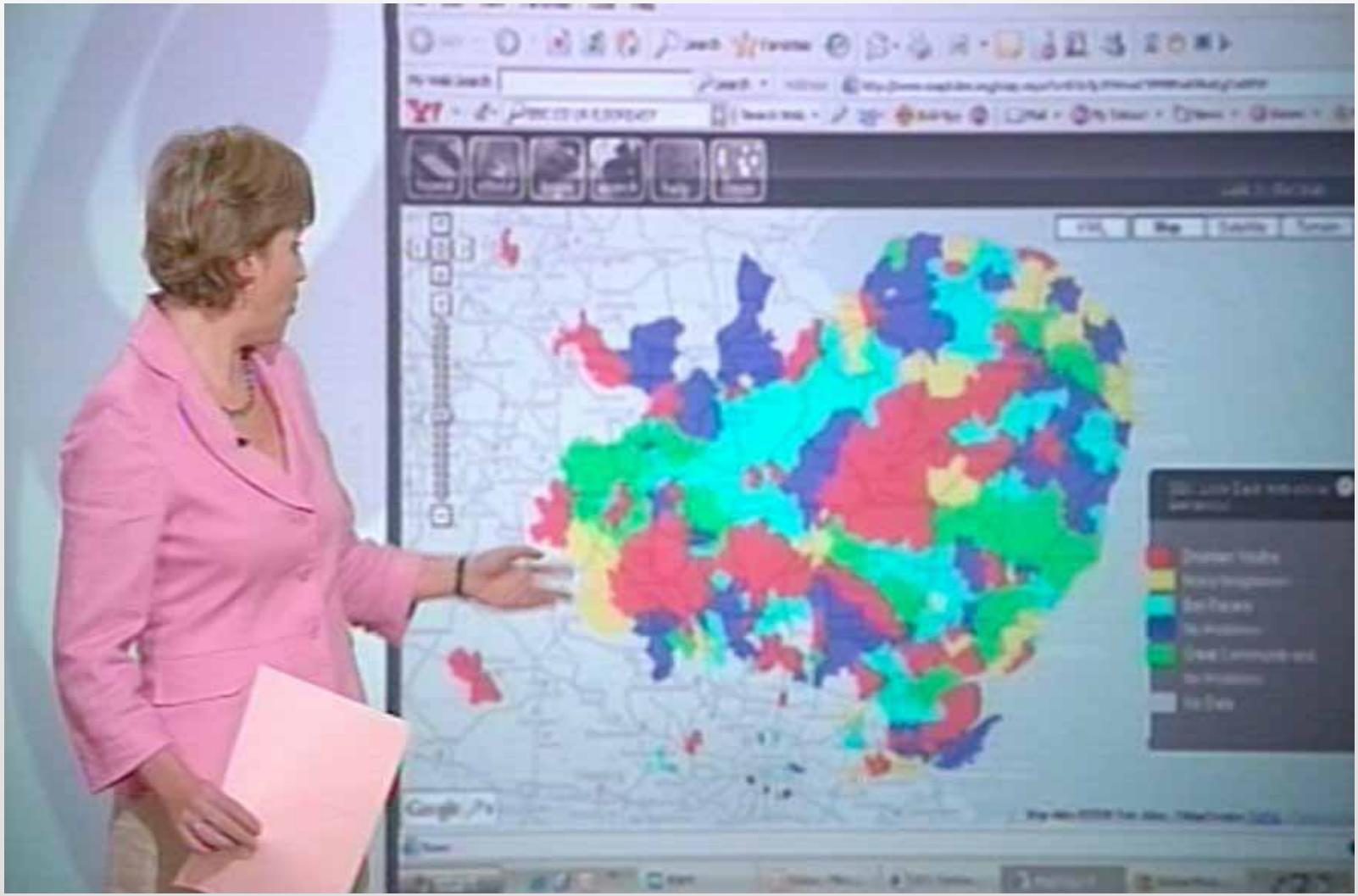

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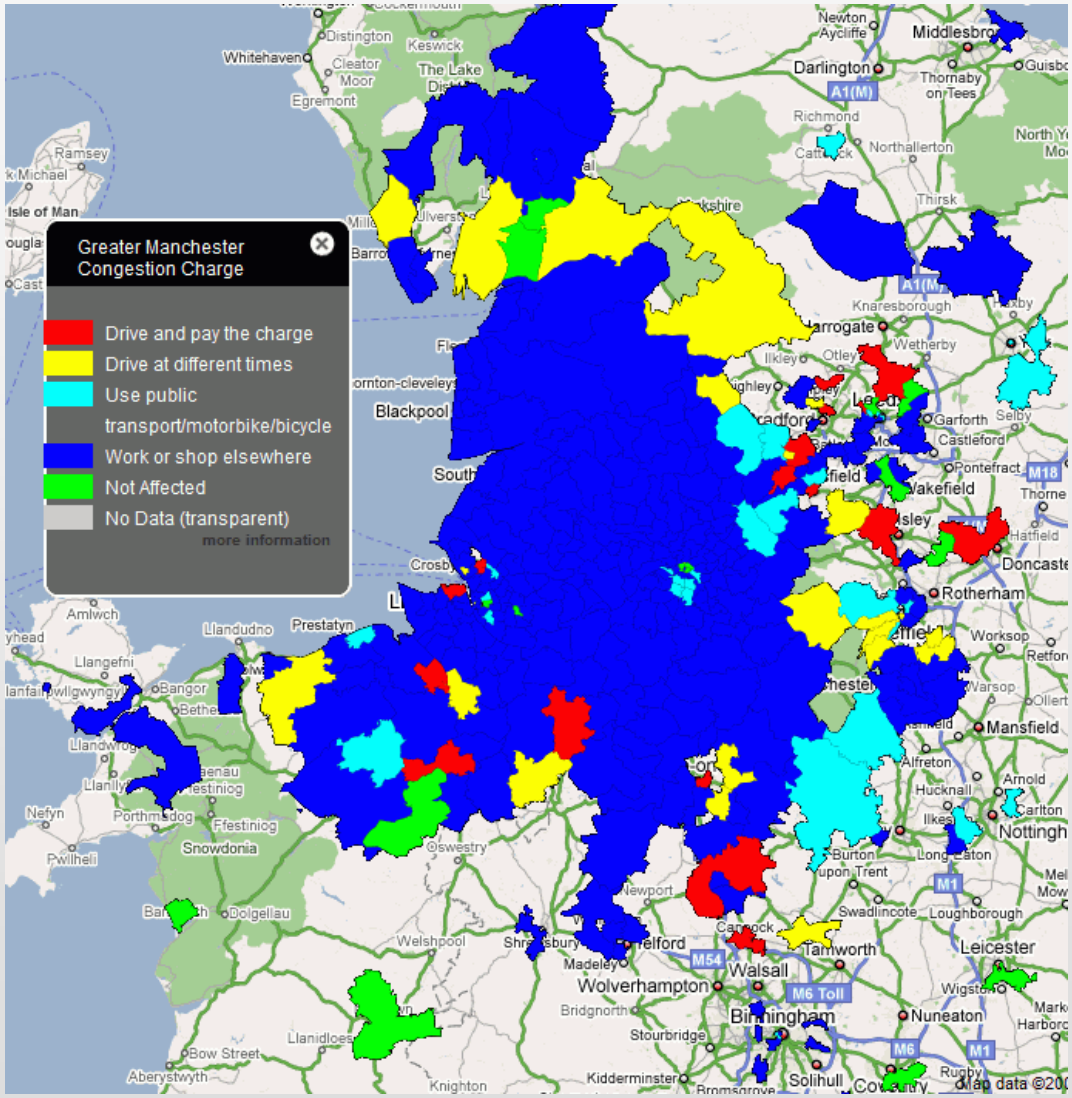
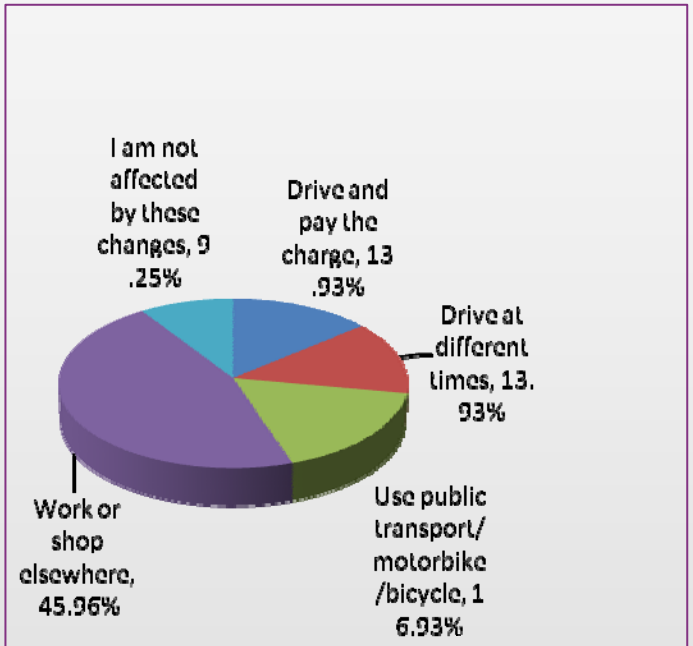
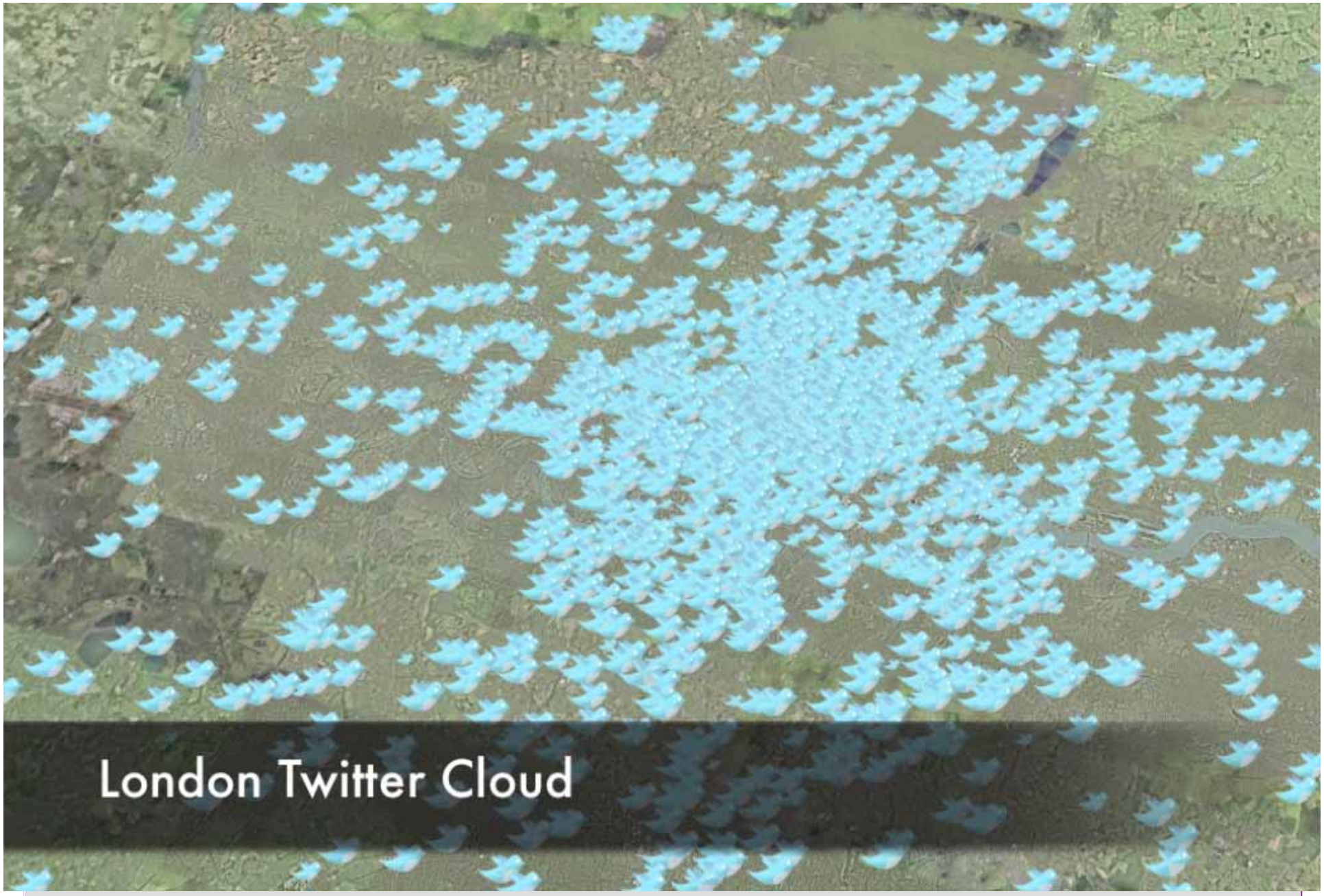


15,902 responses
October to December 2008

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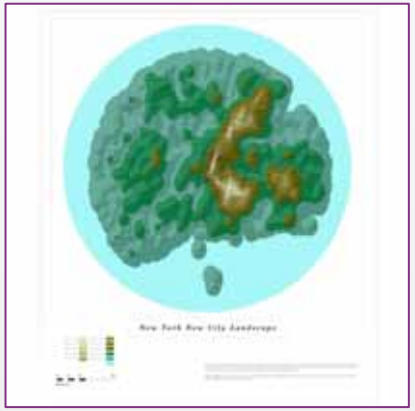

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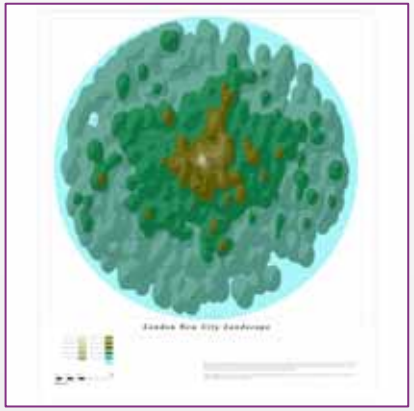

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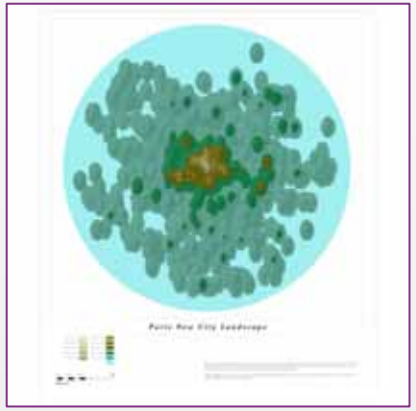

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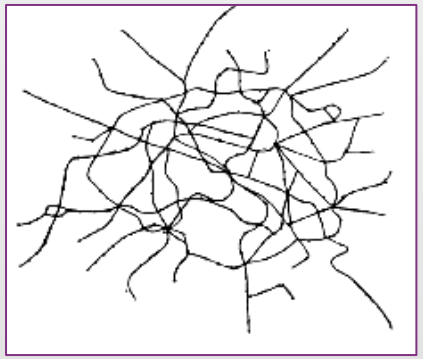

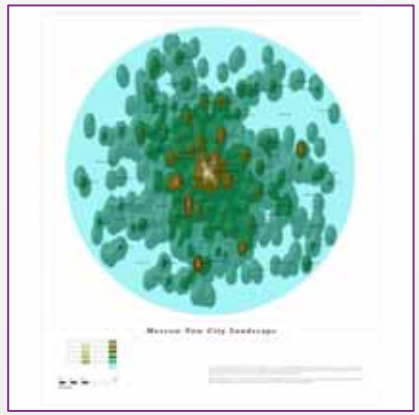

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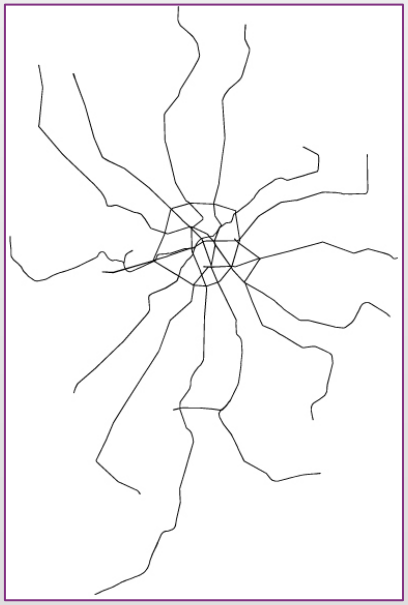

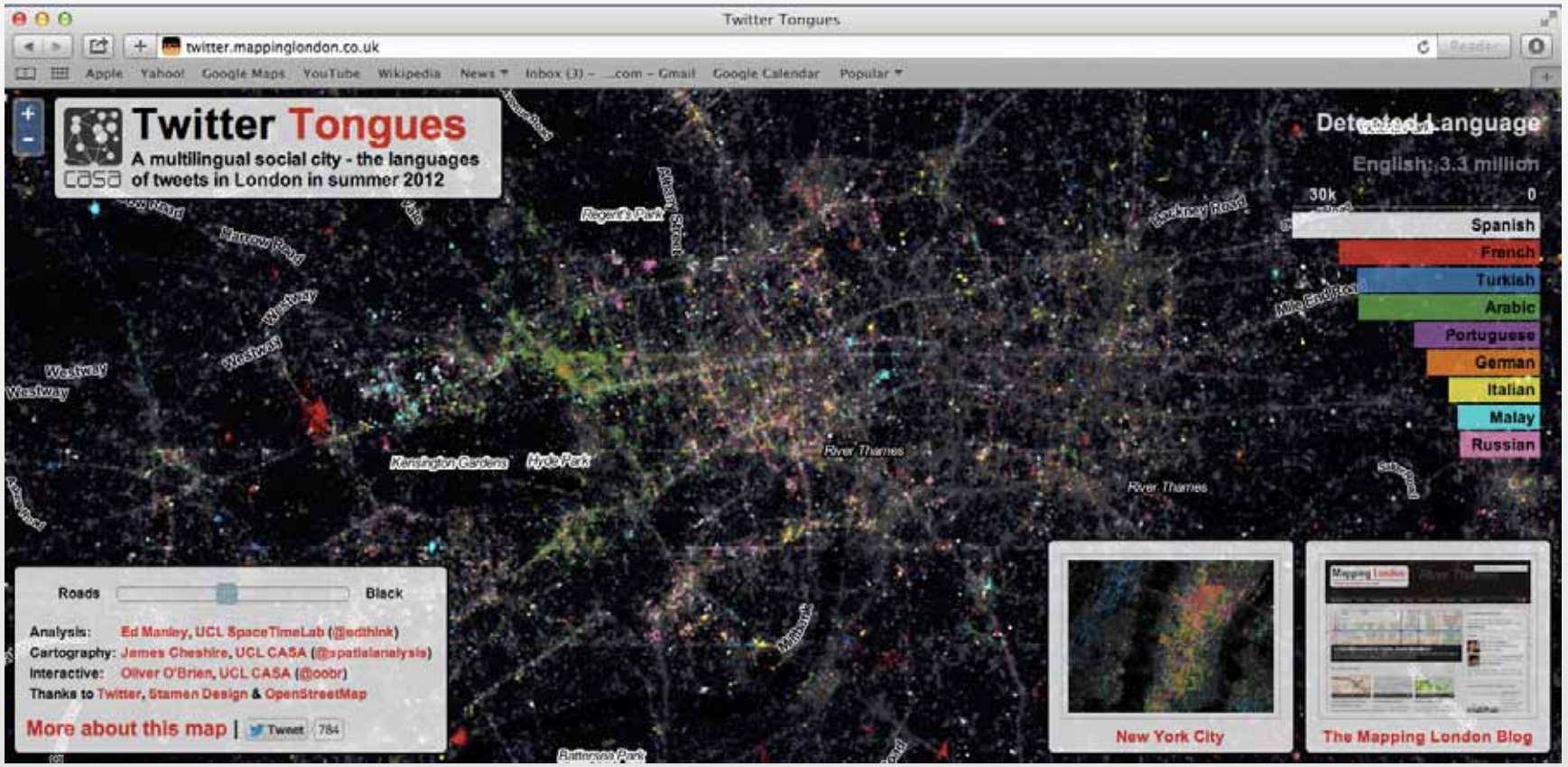
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Portuguese
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Italian
Malay
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Roads
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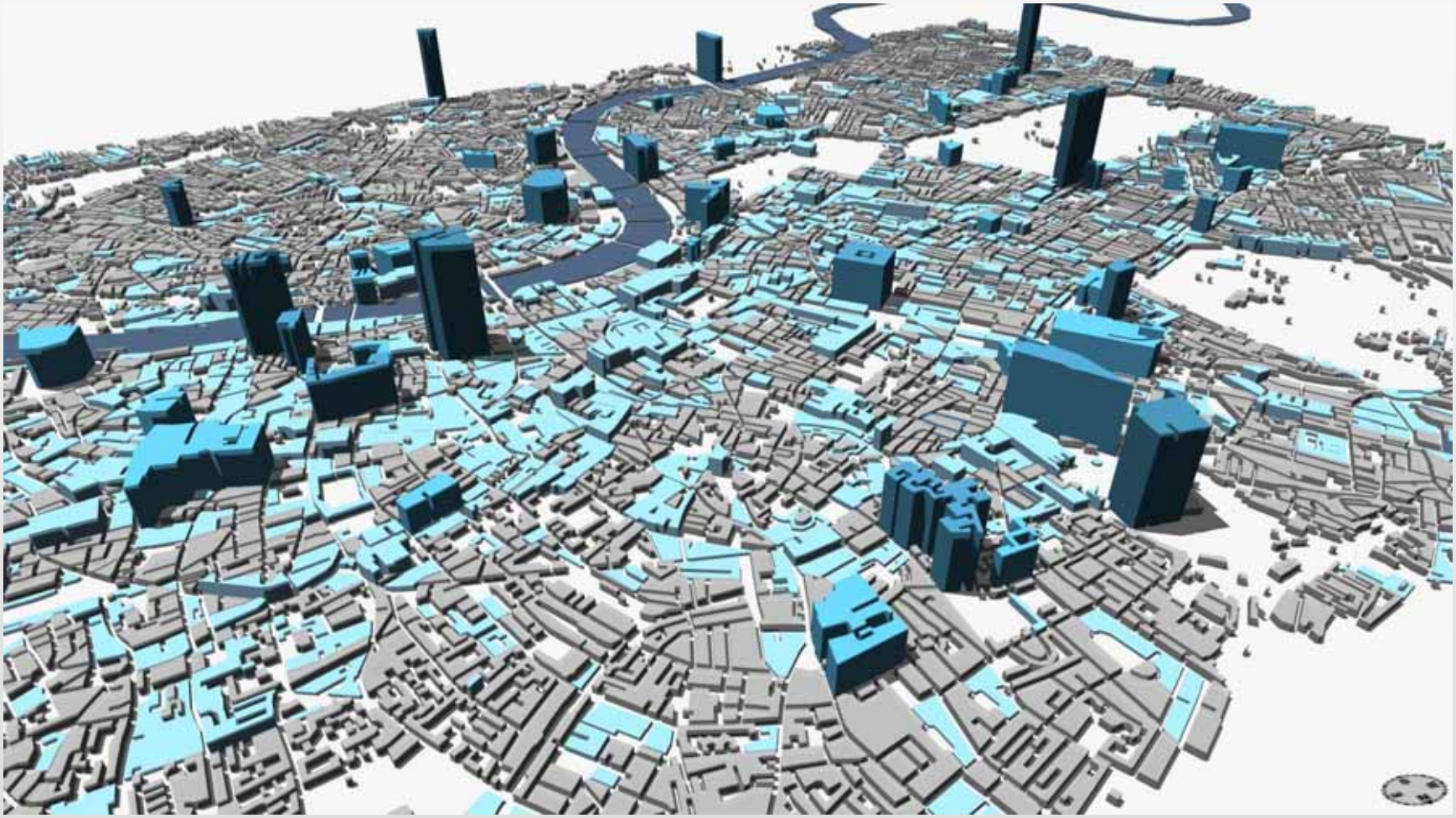

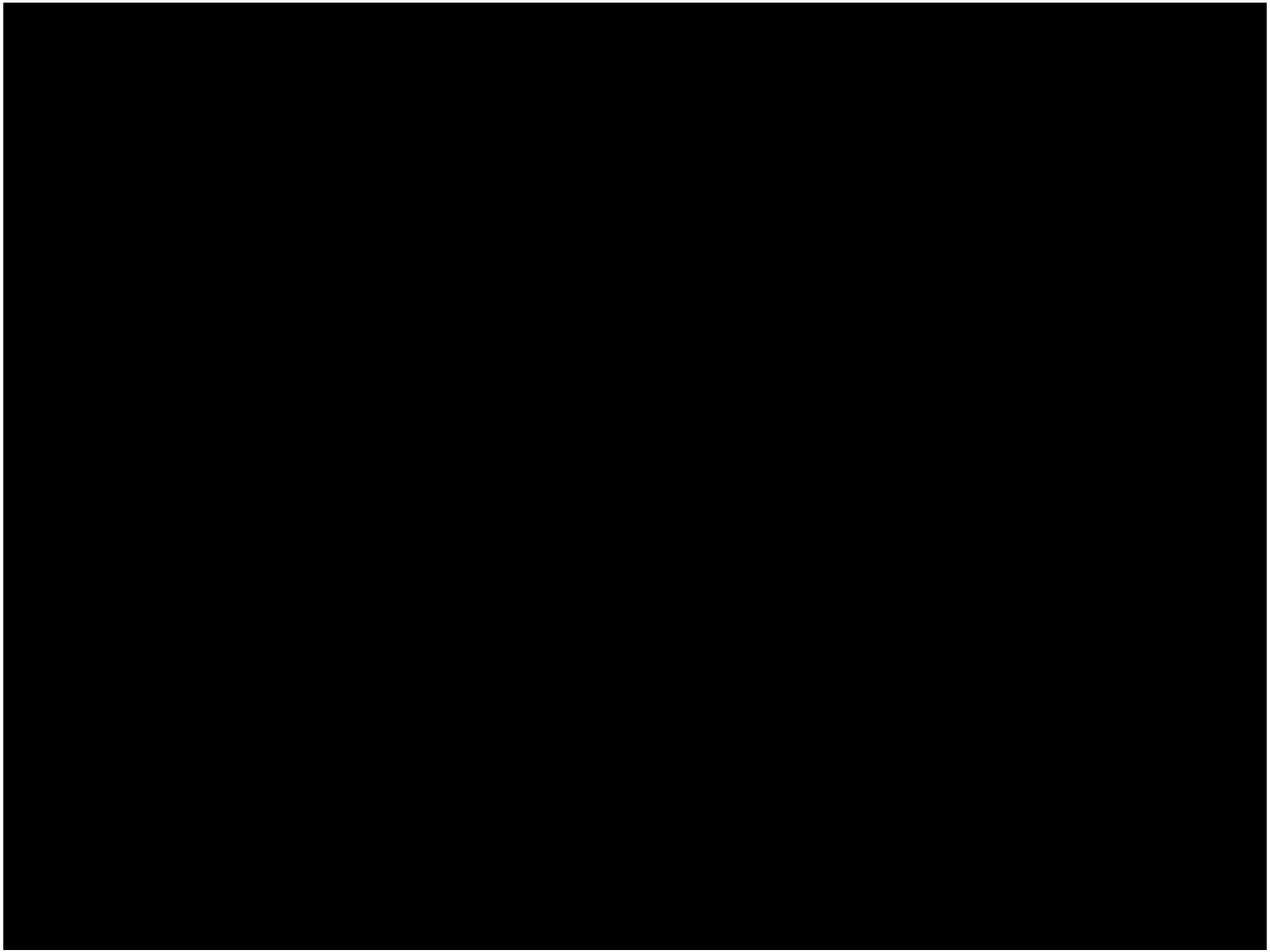

- So Data is very diverse and you need powerful tools to analyze it
- Powerful methods to visualise it
- And of course it is the essence of modelling, simulation and predictions
- Next week networks and communications

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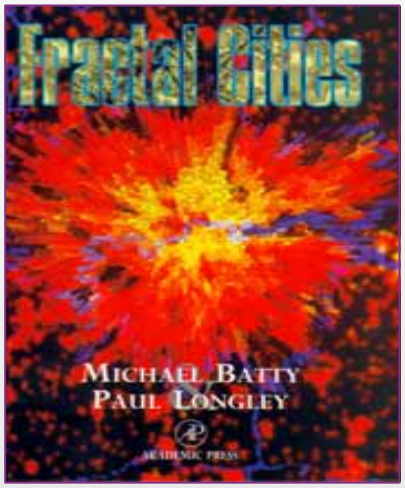
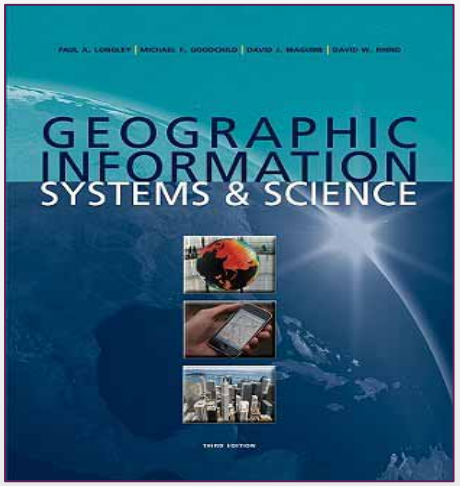
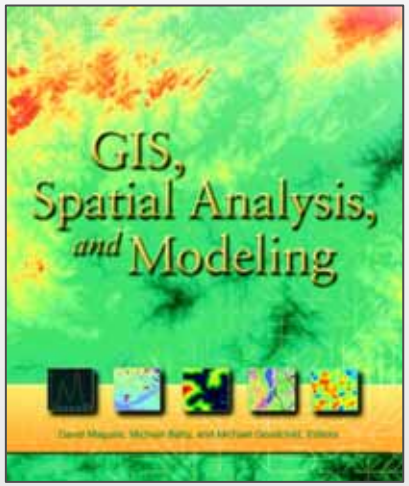
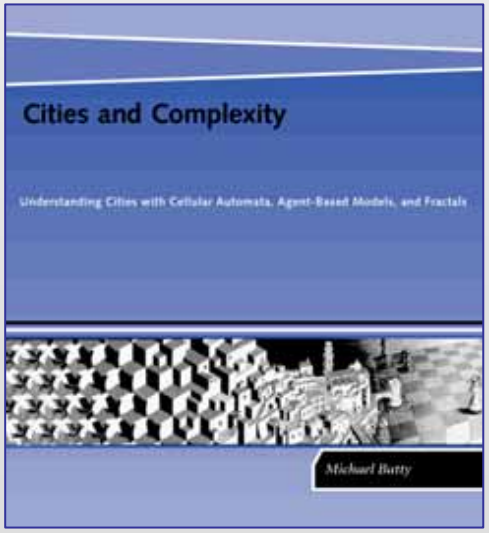
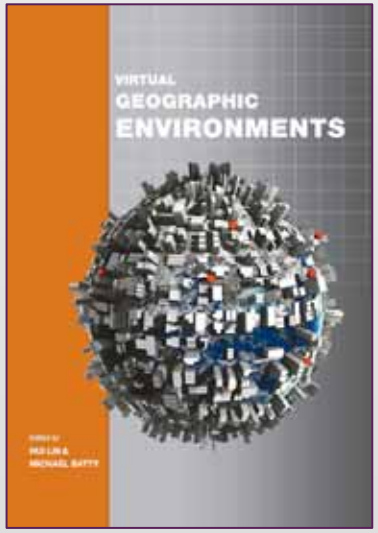
Some of our books which are about some of this

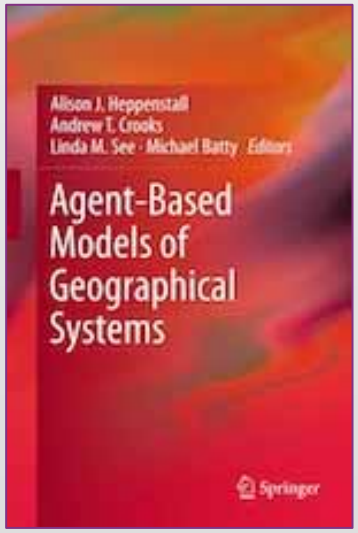


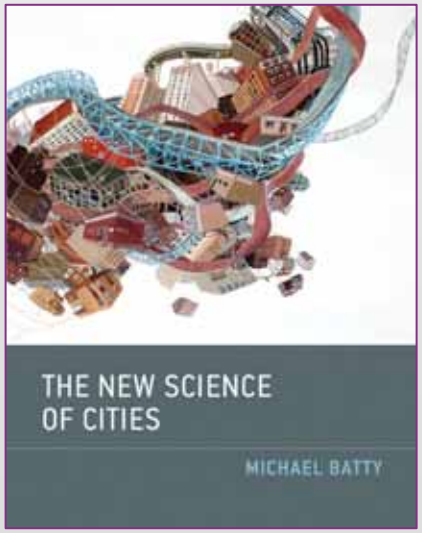












Networks, Communications & Cities

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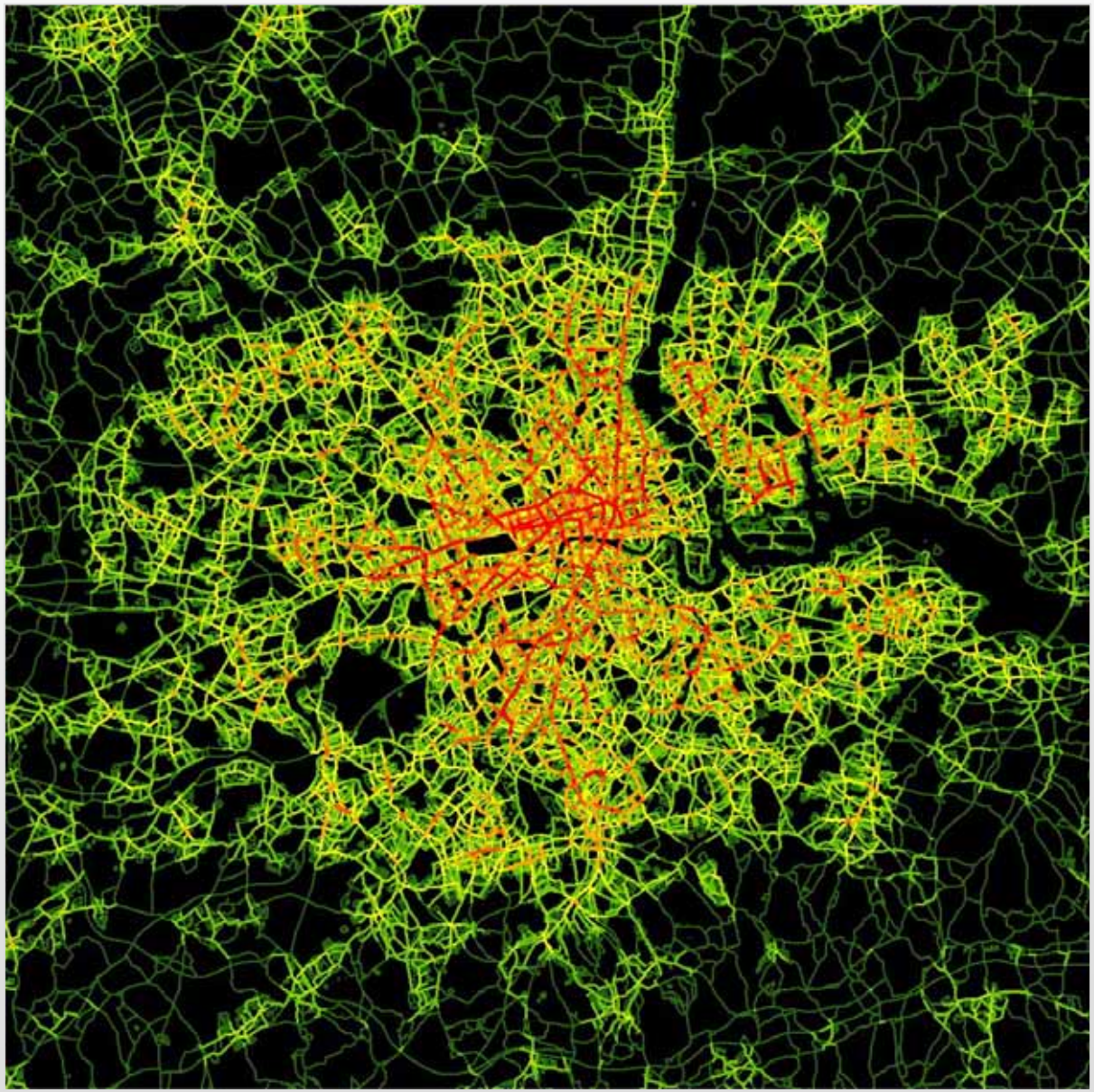
- The Mathematics and Beyond
- An Indulgent and Interesting Example to Finish

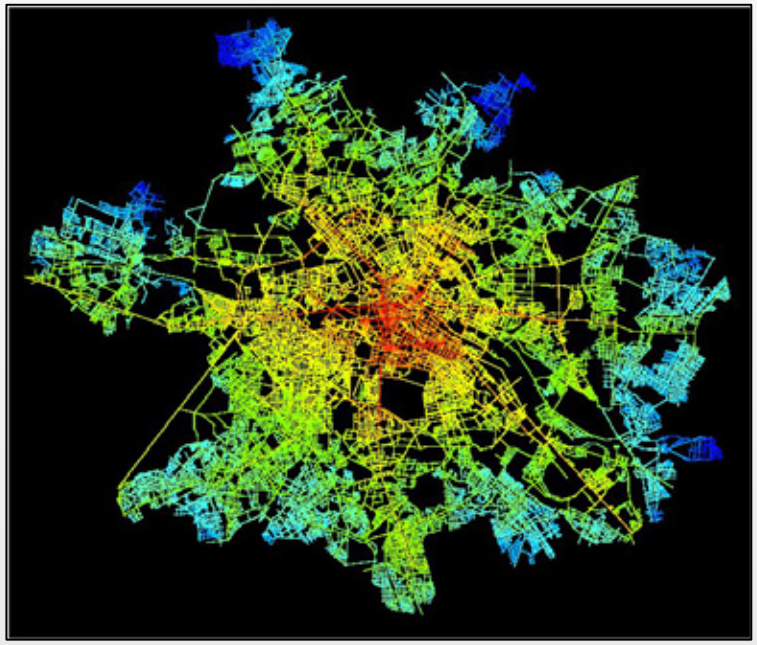
What are Networks in Cities: A Little Bit of History

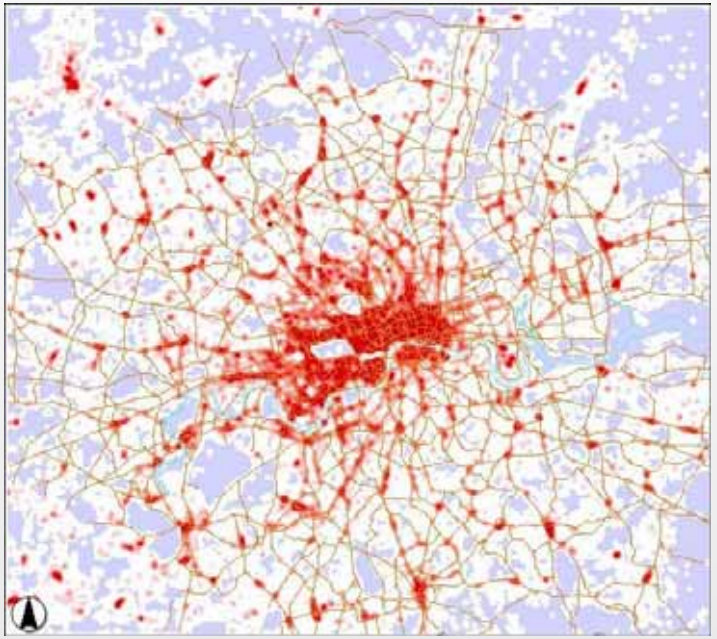
Haggett and Chorley's famous book Network Analysis in Geography 1969 about rivers, transport networks, and flow systems of all kinds that permeated geographical Euclidean space but it was linked very strongly to location as well as interaction.

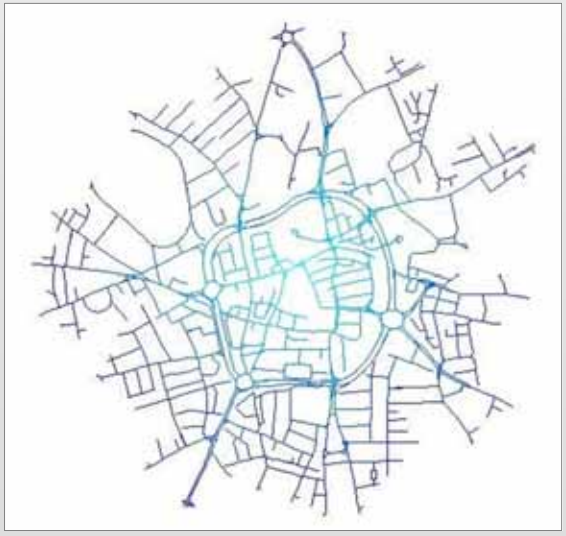
Networks in this sense dealt with flows and their infrastructure as arcs and nodes. Graph theory essentially was discovered in these fields

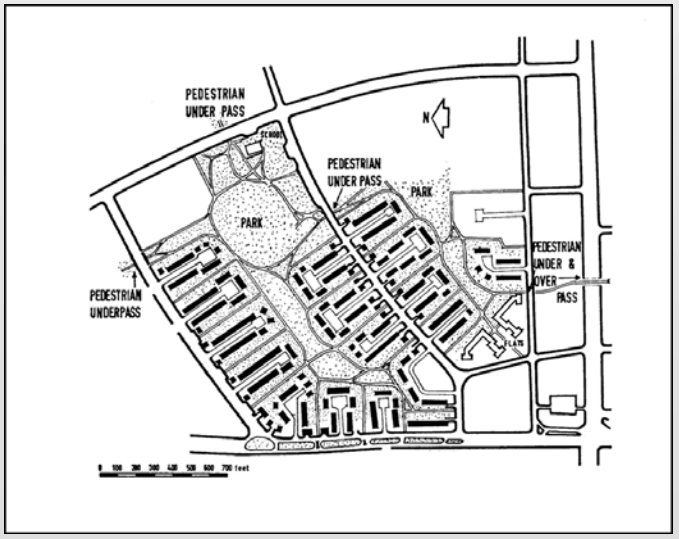
But these two worlds of flows and graphs were separate. Let me show you these contrasts by way of introduction







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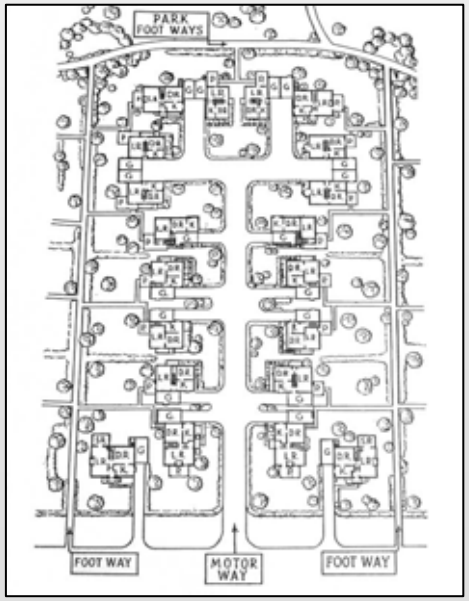
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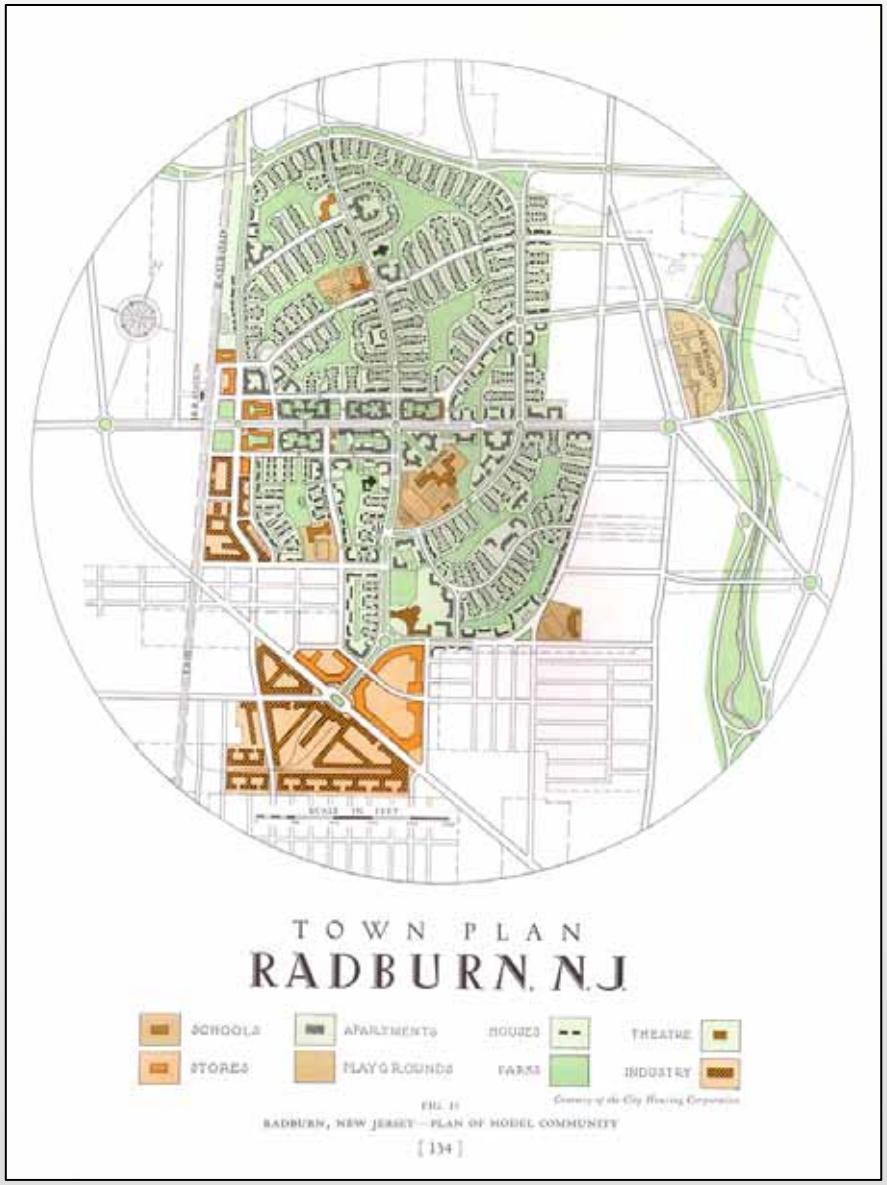
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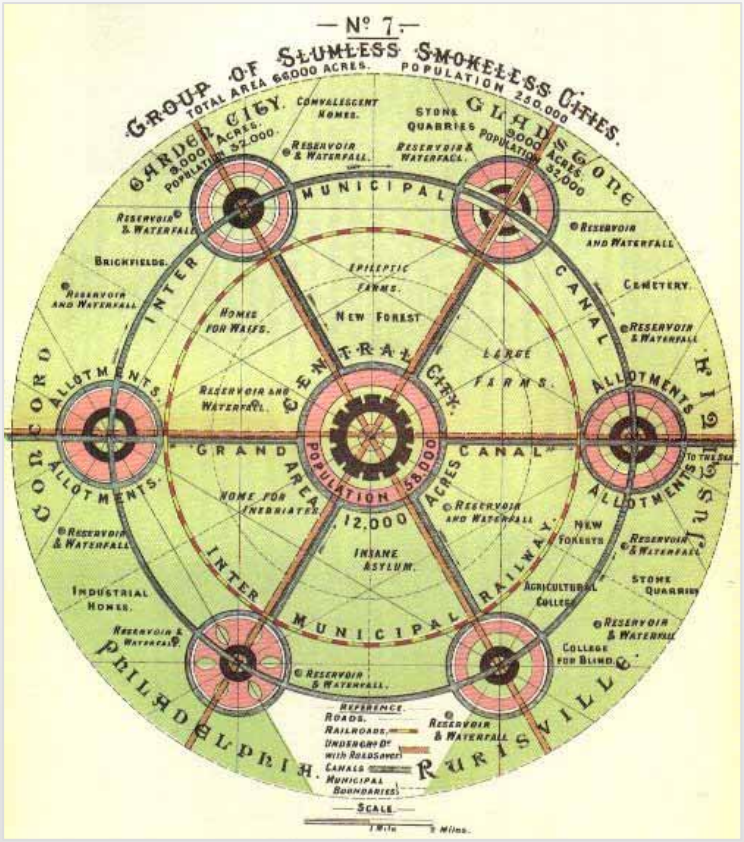
A Question of Spatial Scale: Planarity v Topology

Essentially at the fine scale, in cities we deal with Euclidean space but as we aggregate in terms of spatial scale, we abstract and space although rooted in the 2 or 3 dimensional world becomes a world of points and lines.

In short we move from planar graphs such as street networks to graphs of flows between cities, which can be treated topologically

Network science which developed well after this early forays into graph theory in the 1960s such as those by Haggett and Chorley, has largely eschewed planarity but it is coming.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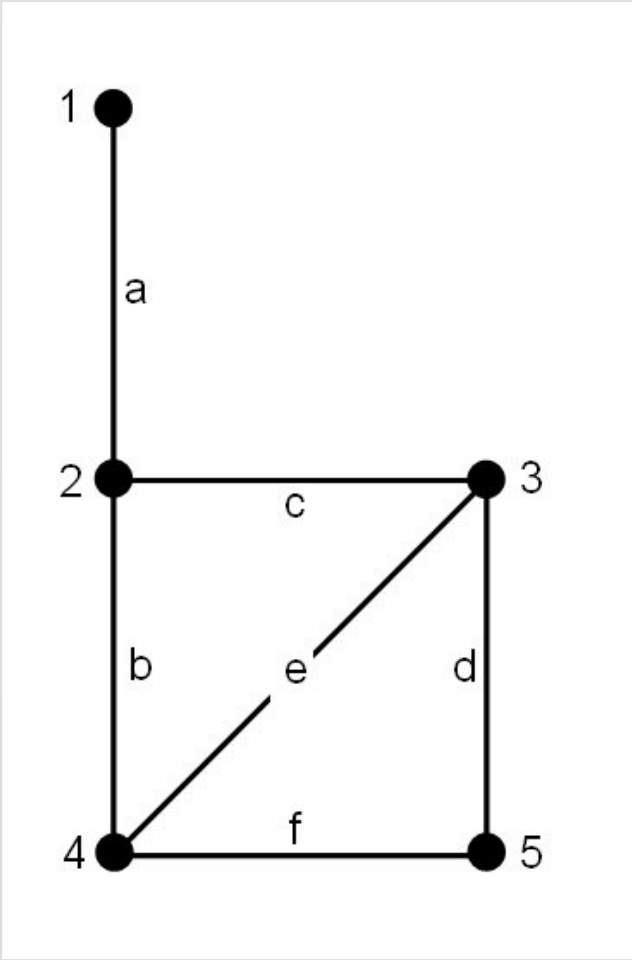
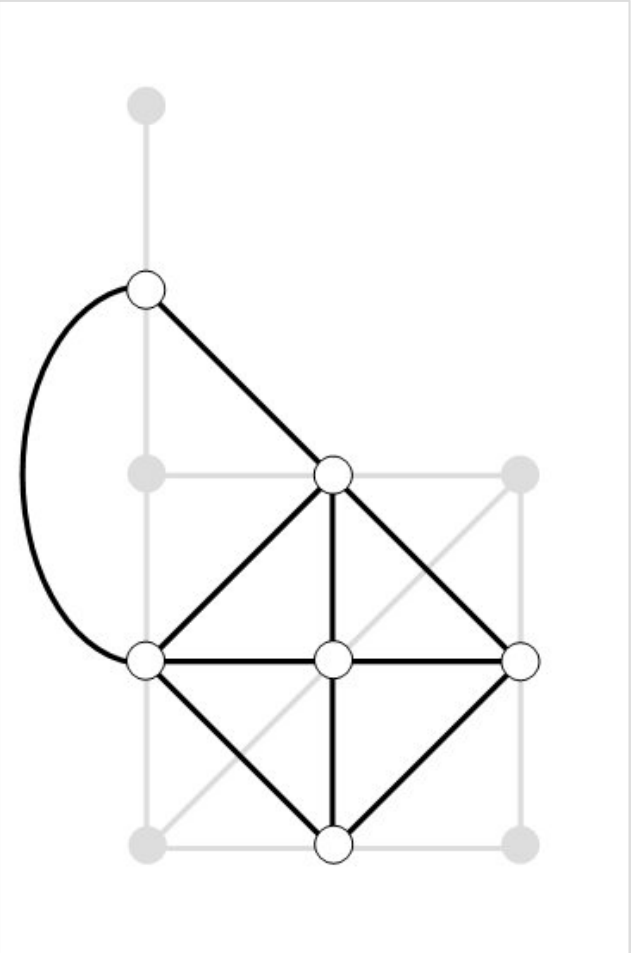
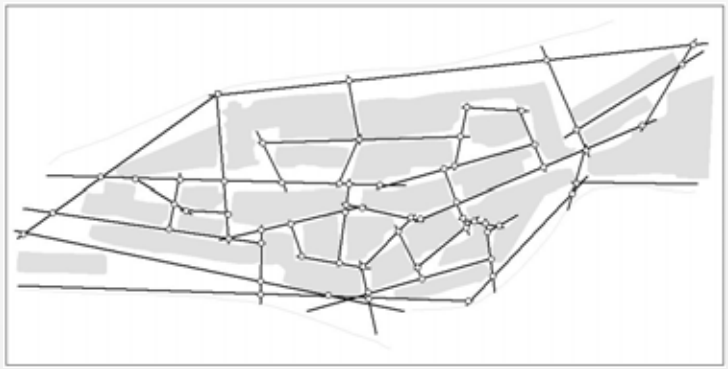
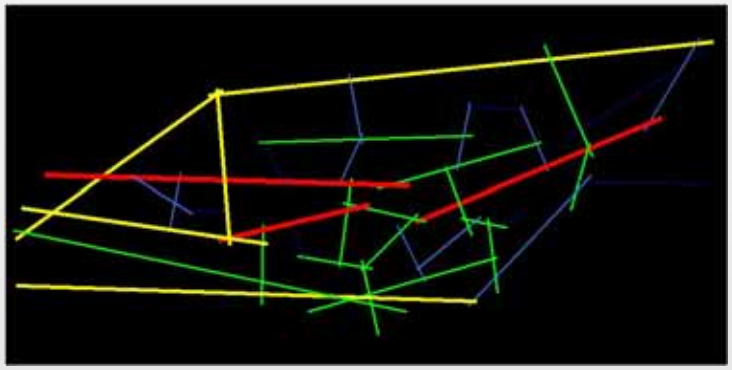
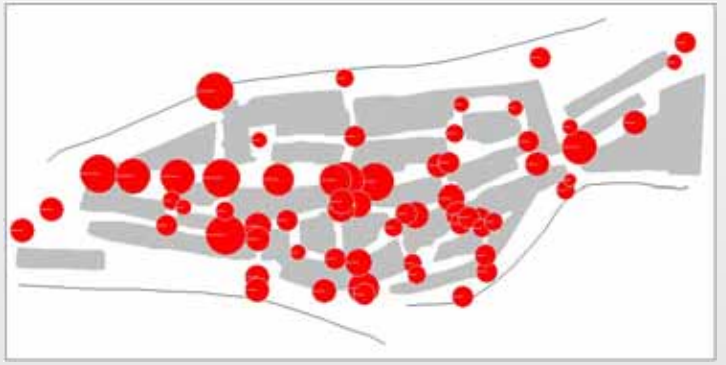
Down At Street Level: Space Syntax

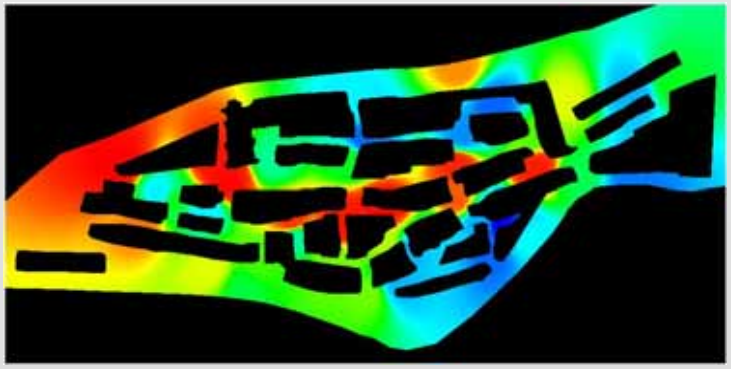


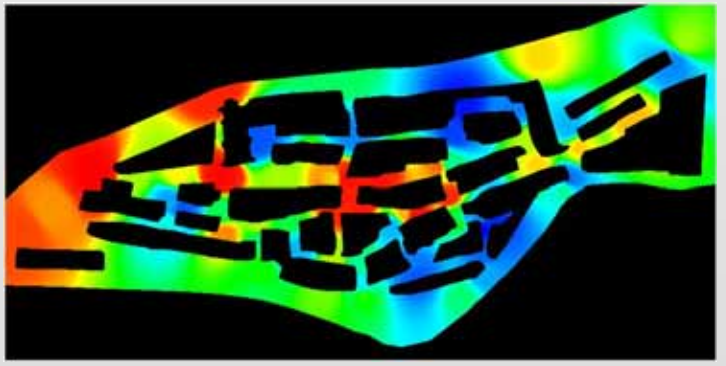












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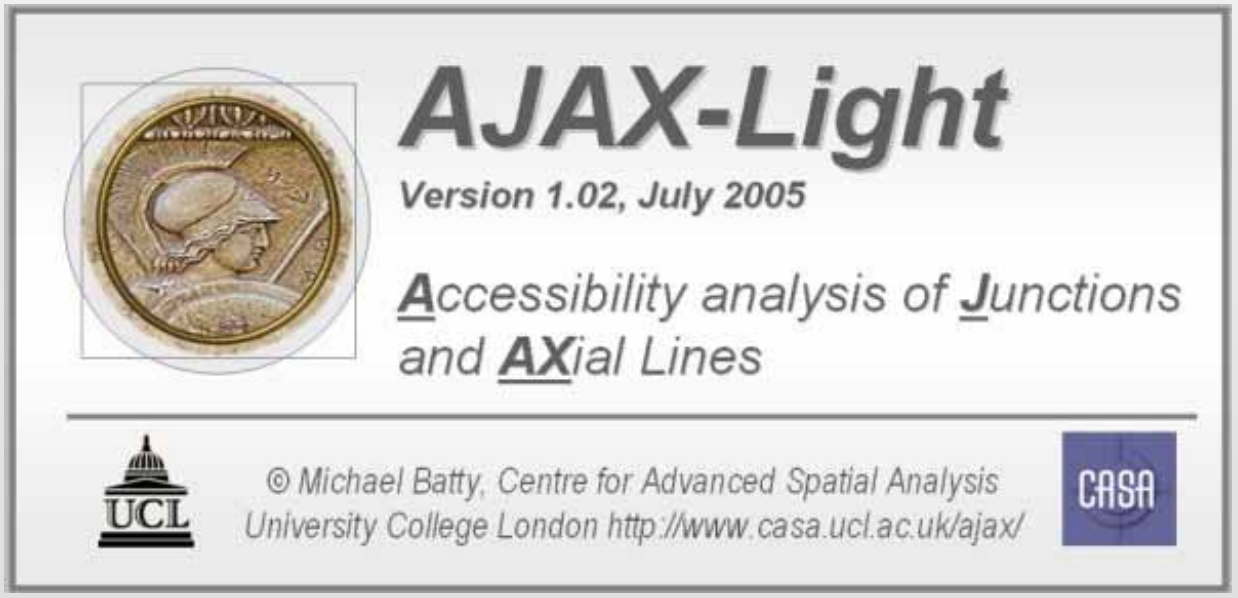
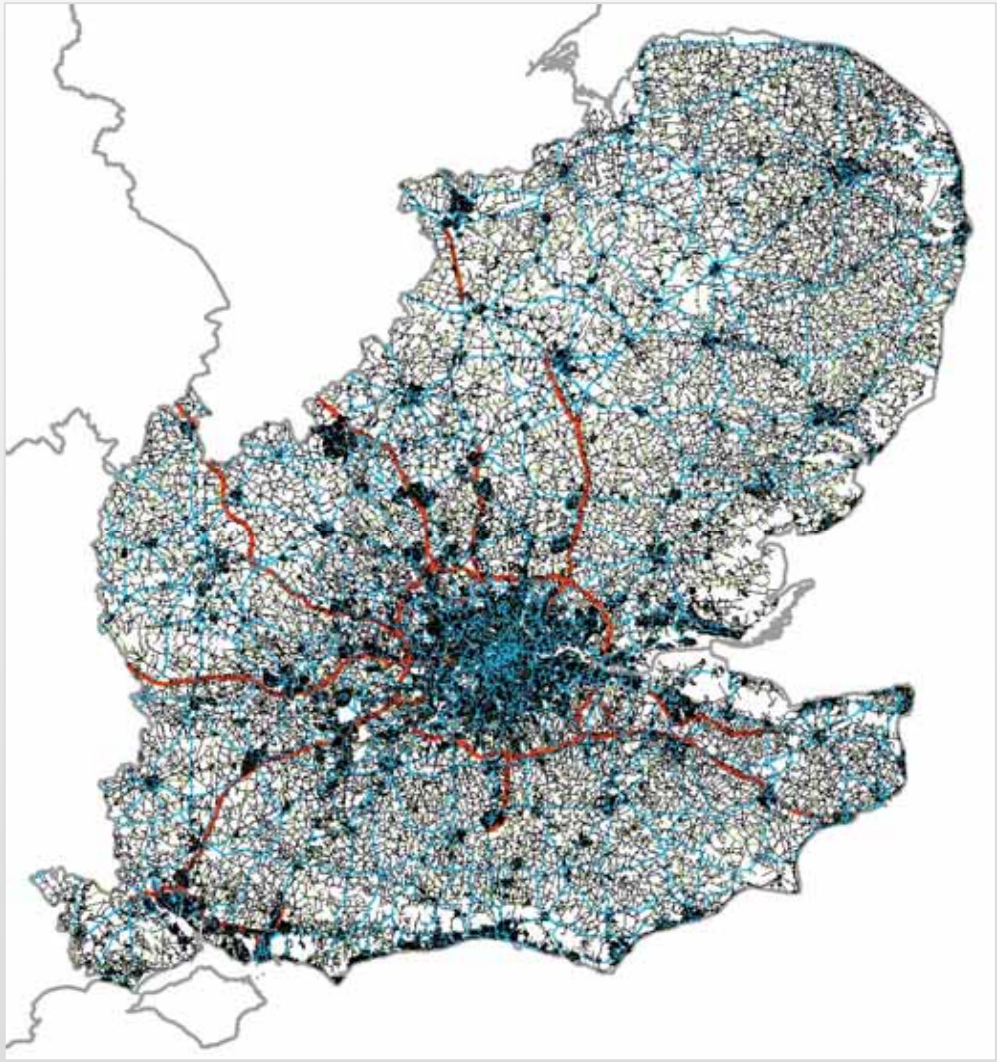


Urban Transport Infrastructures

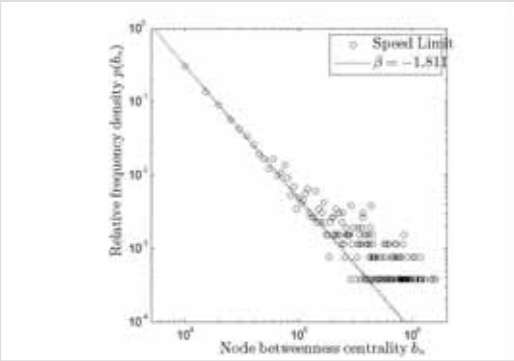
- Network size:
  - ~10^6 road nodes
  - ~$2x10^6$ road links
- Extracted from Ordnance Survey's Integrated Transport Network Layer

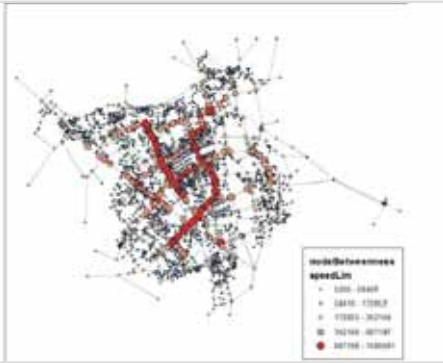


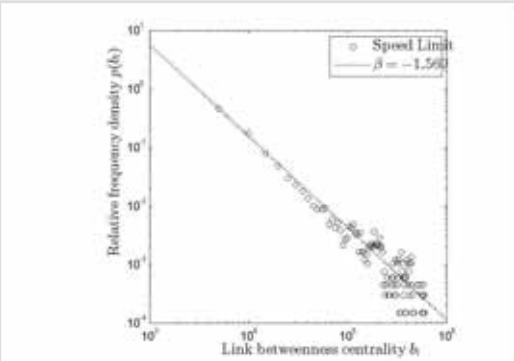
- Road network for Milton Keynes
- Network size:
  - ~$3x10^3$ road nodes
  - ~$7x10^3$ road links

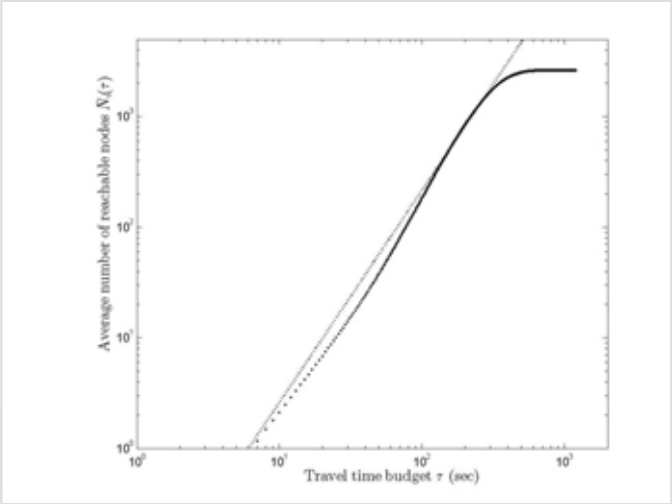
Power laws in road networks topology

- ❑ Effective dimension
- ❑ Node betweenness centrality
- ❑ Link betweenness centrality









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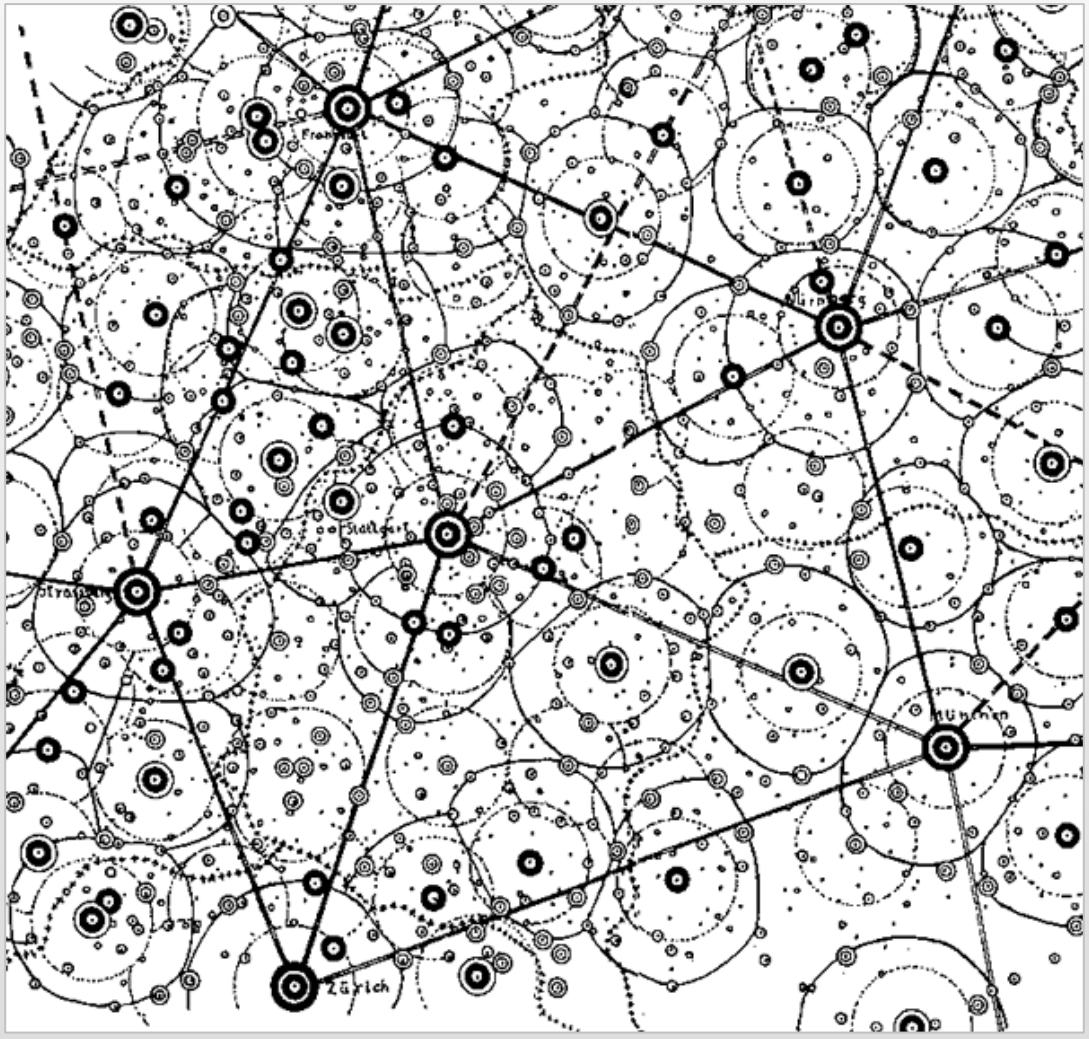

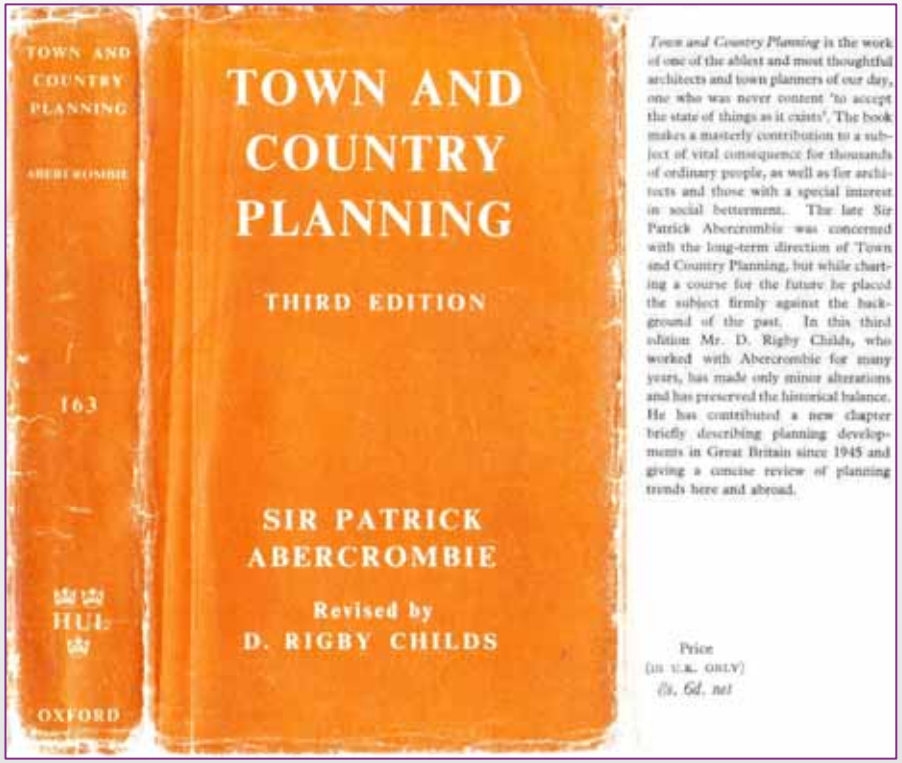
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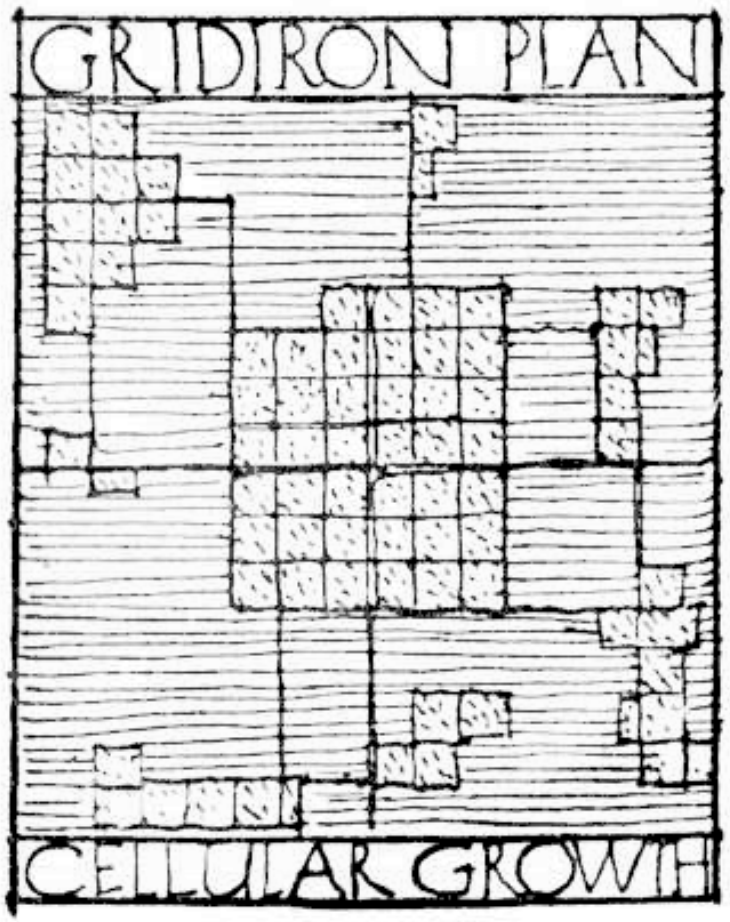
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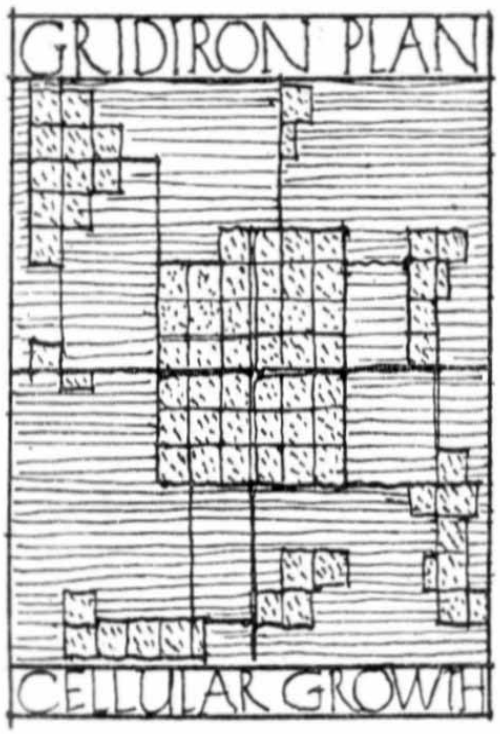

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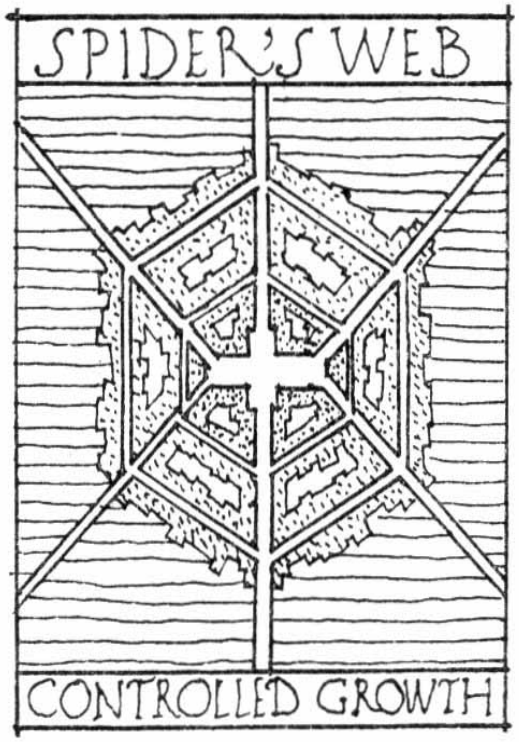

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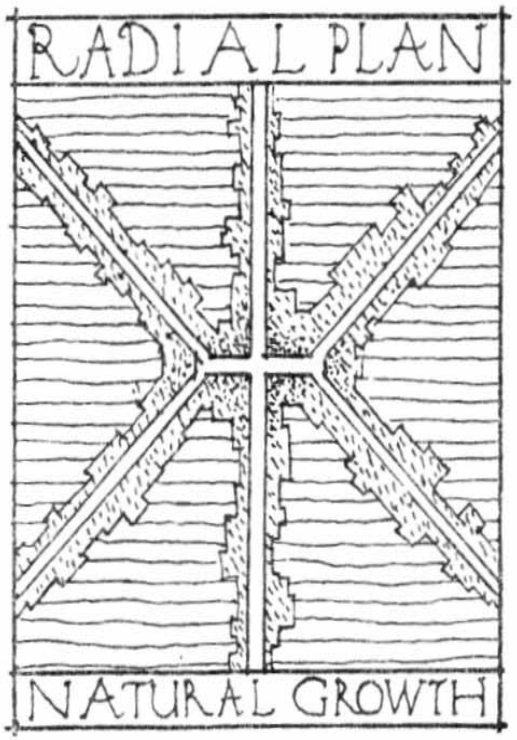

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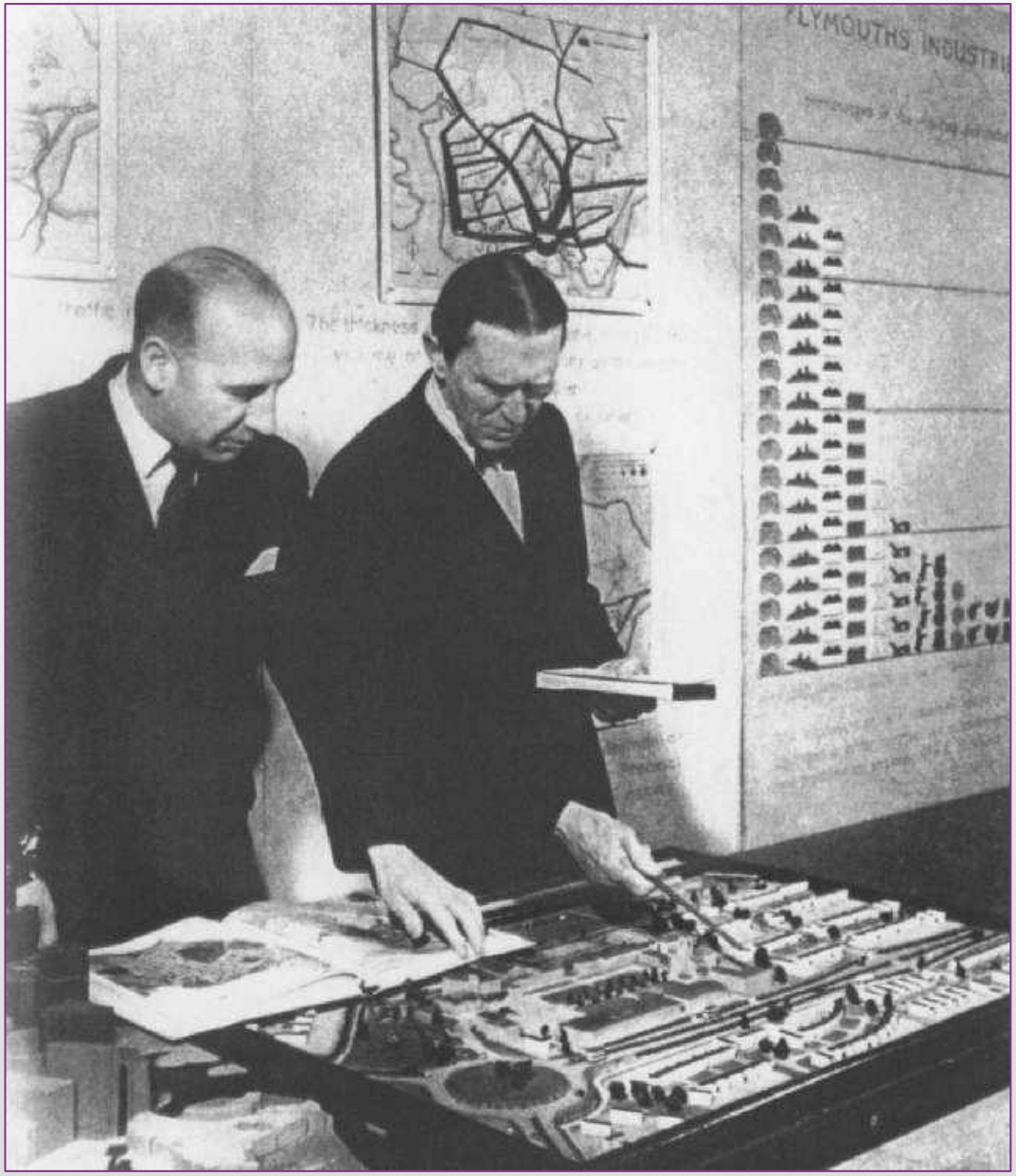

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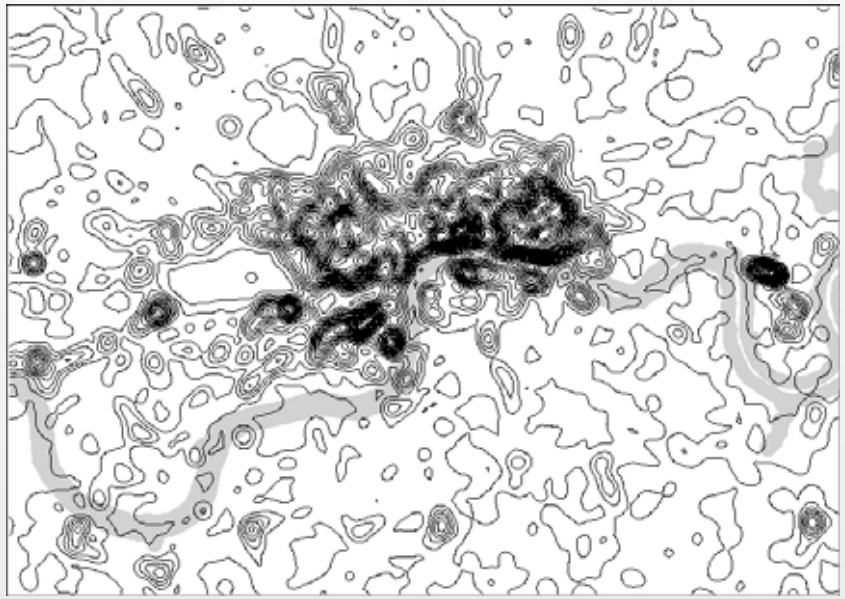

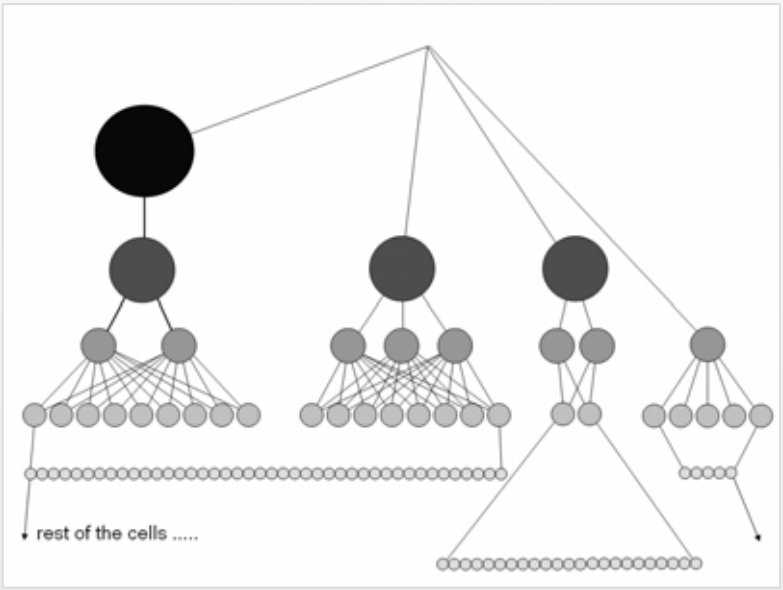
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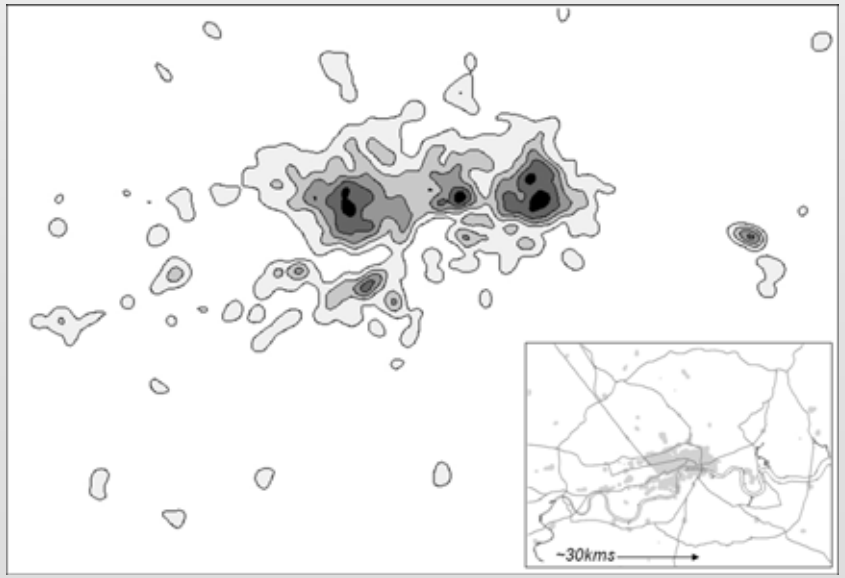
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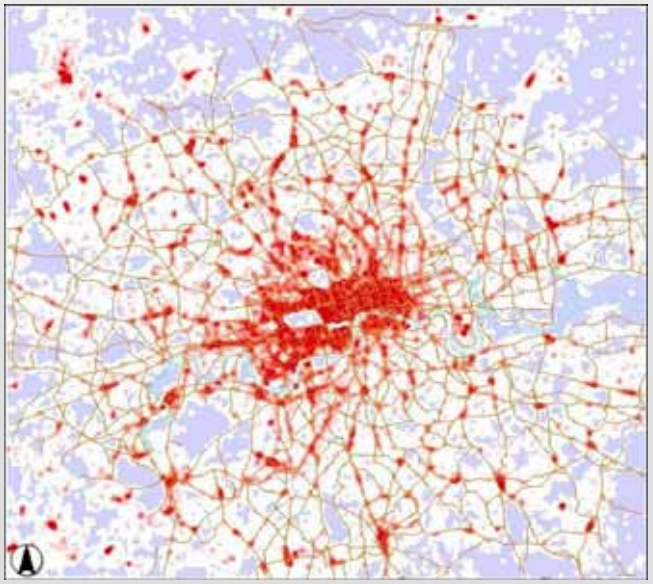

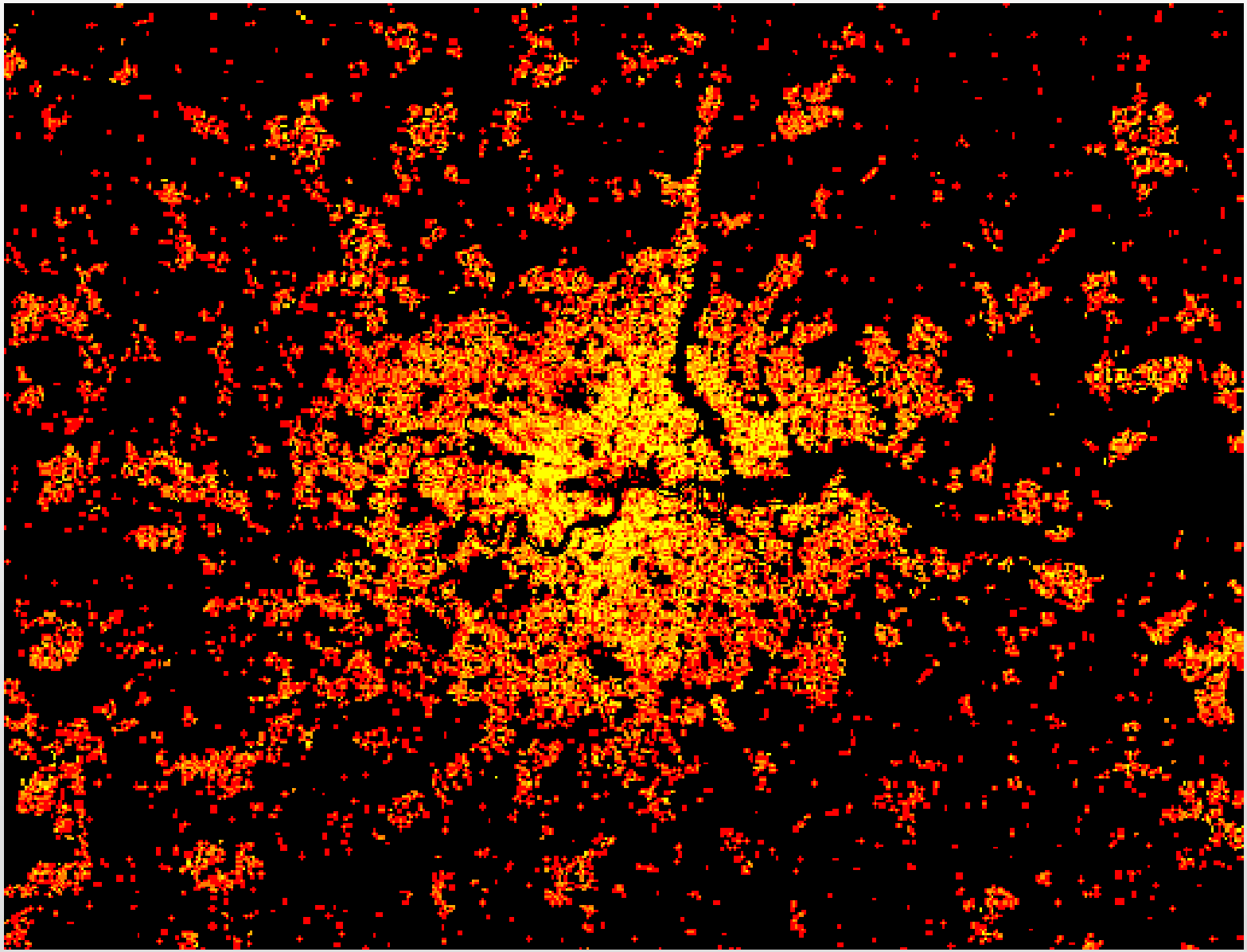

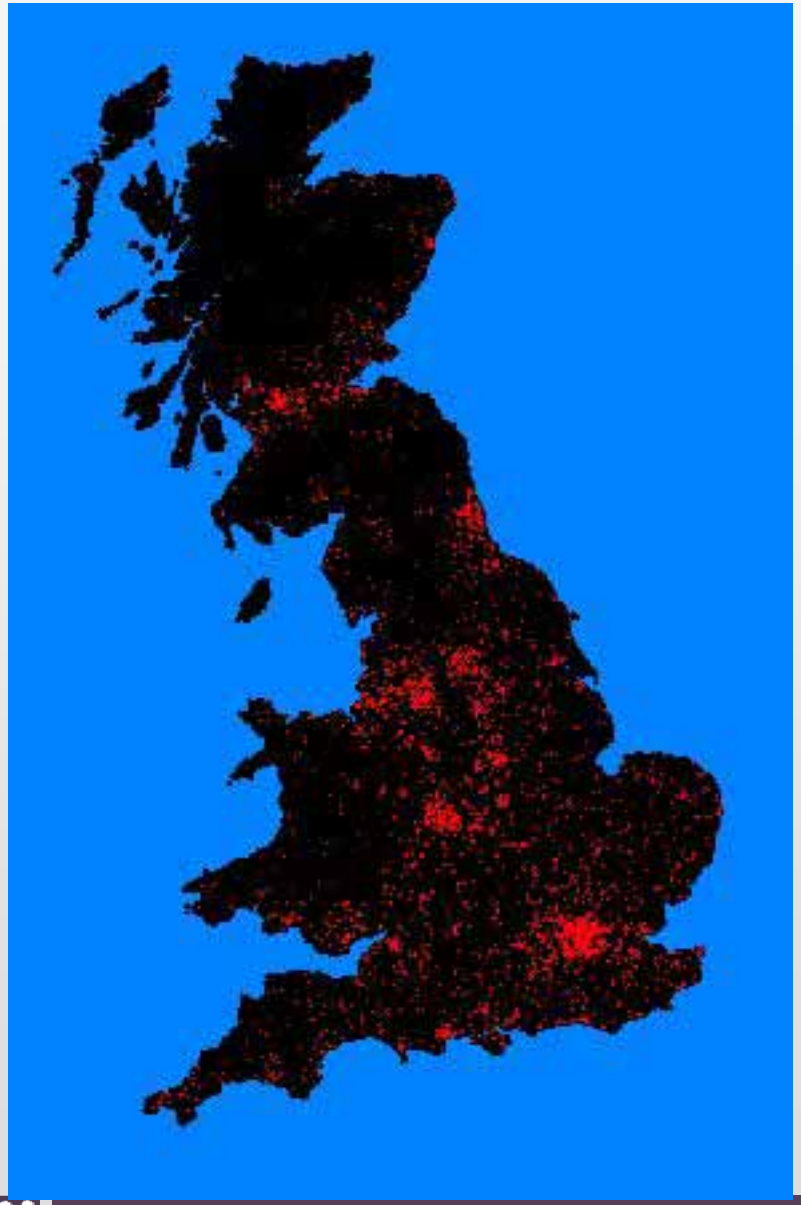

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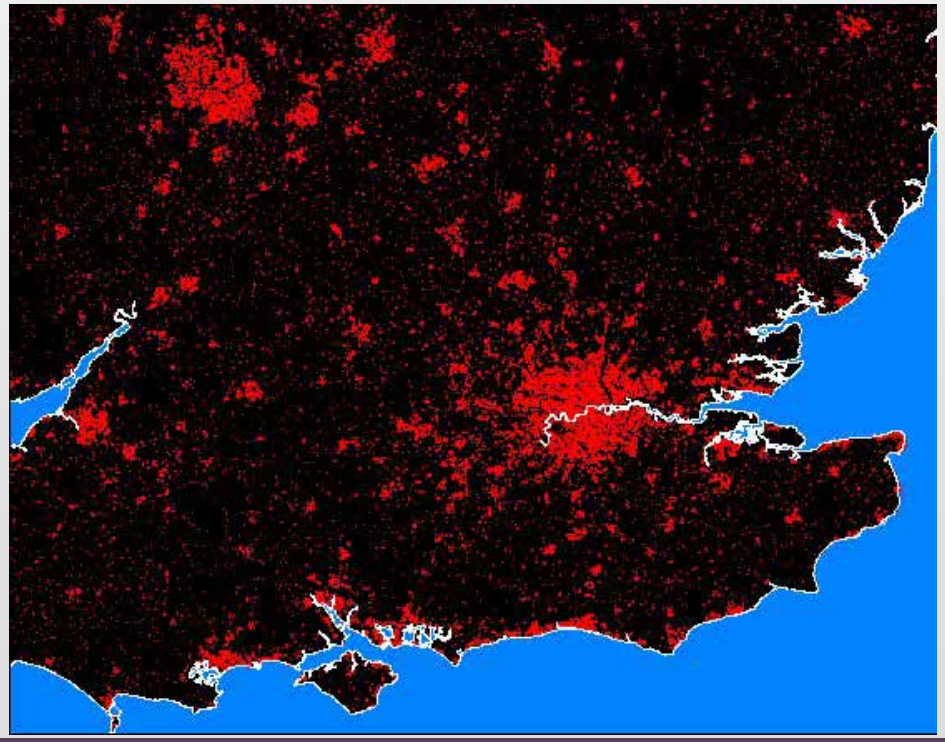

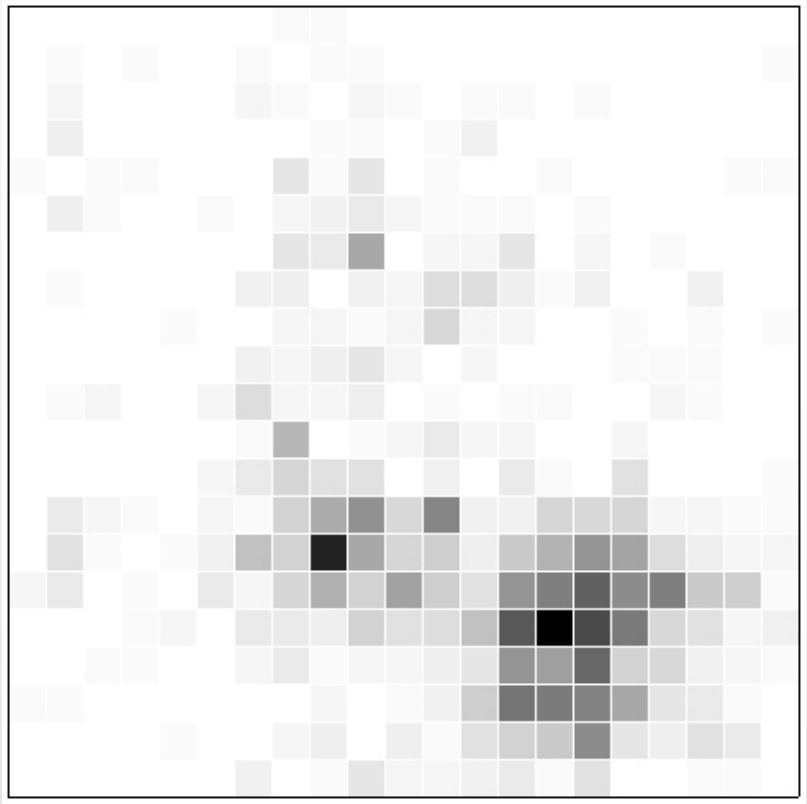

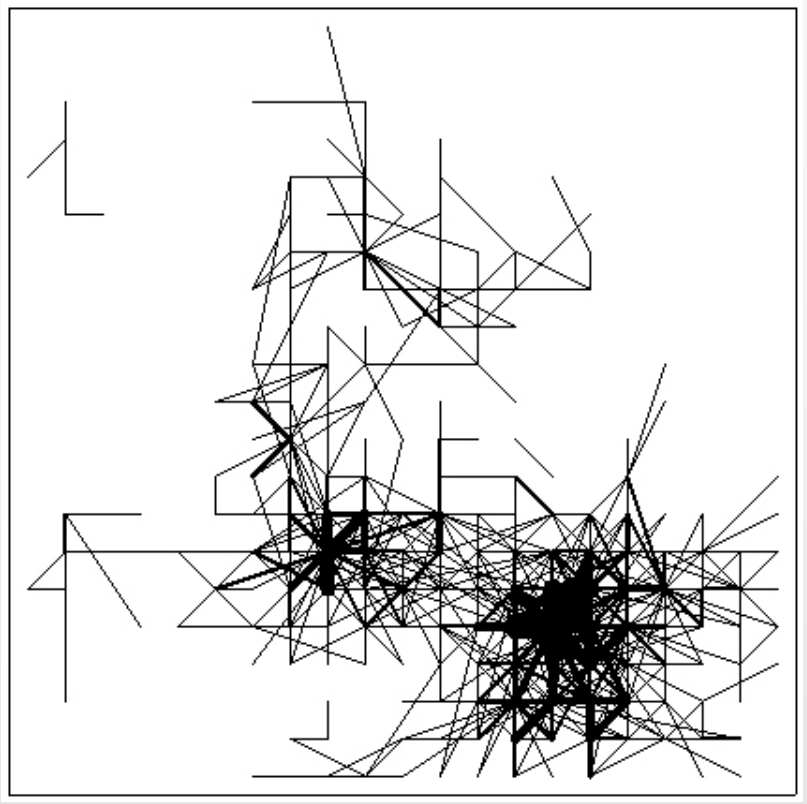

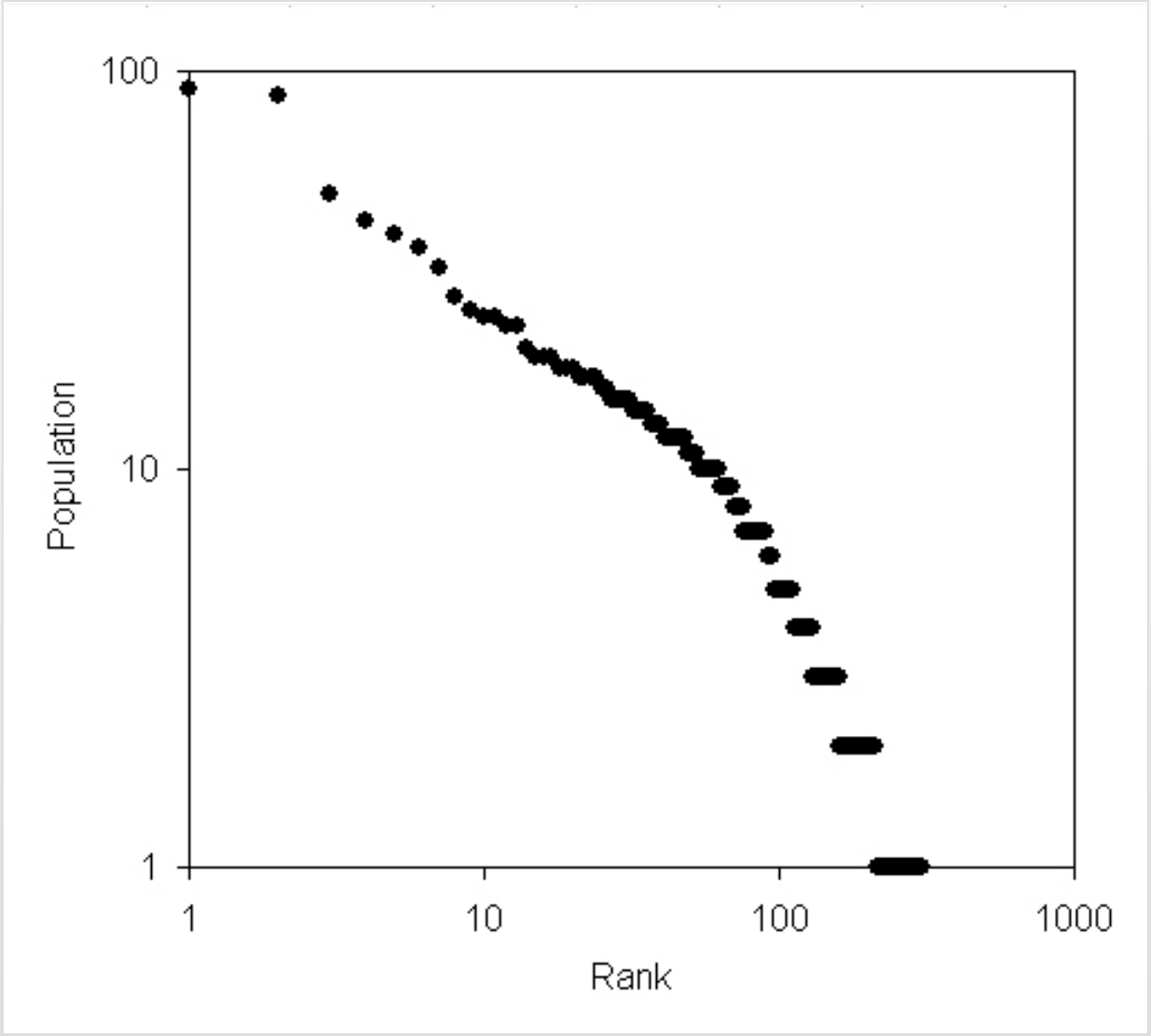
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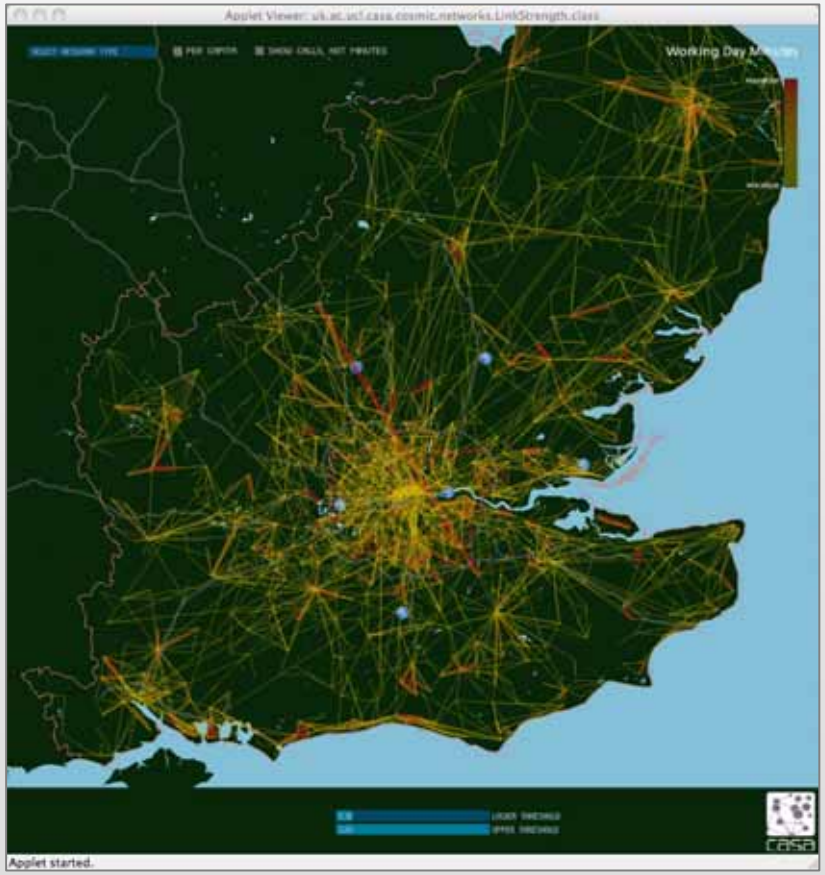

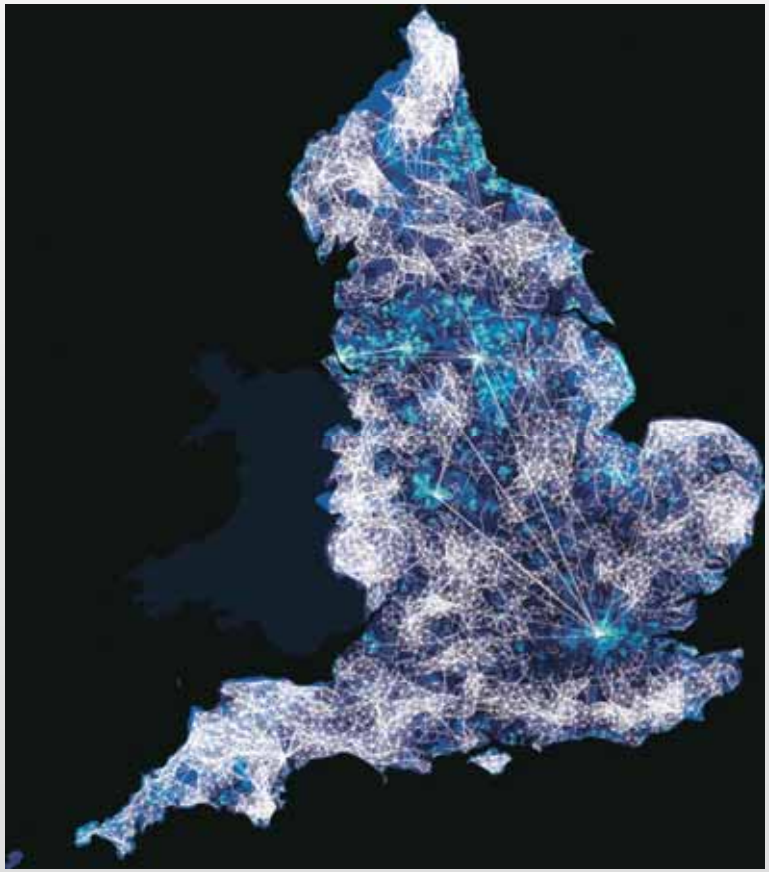

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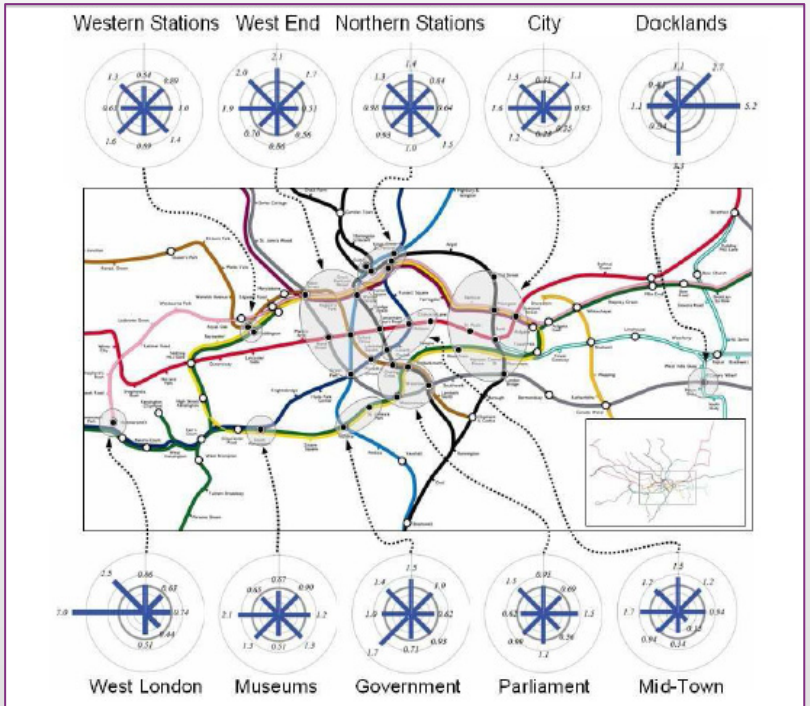

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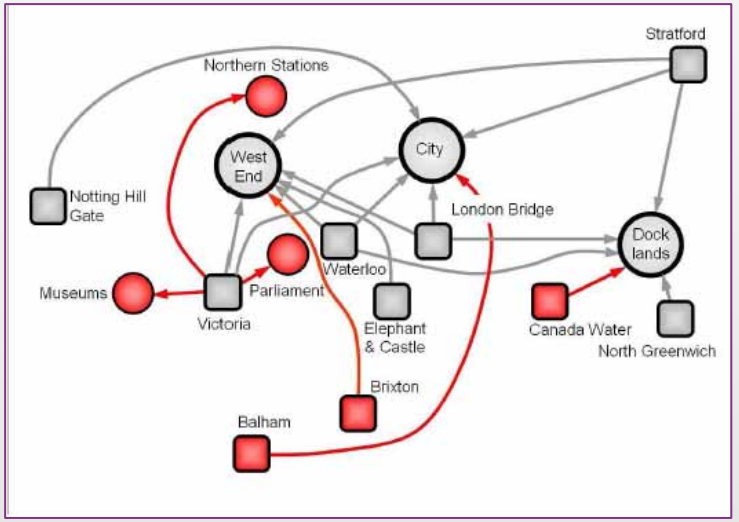

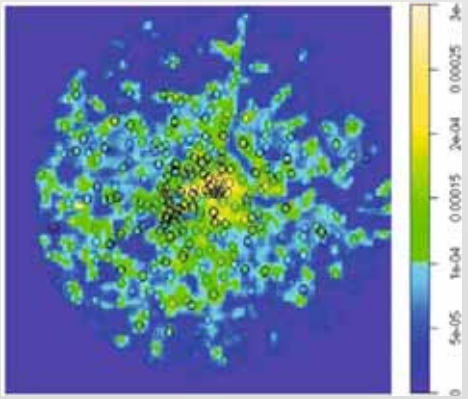

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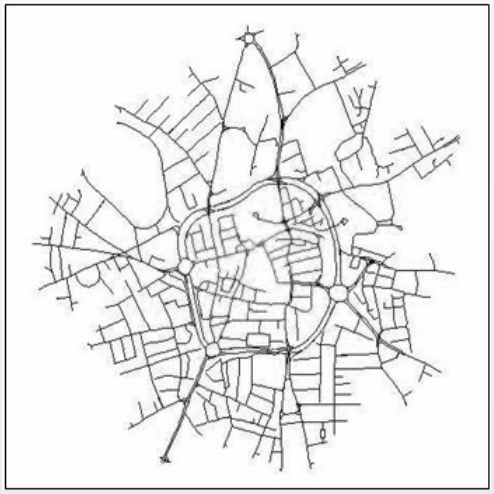
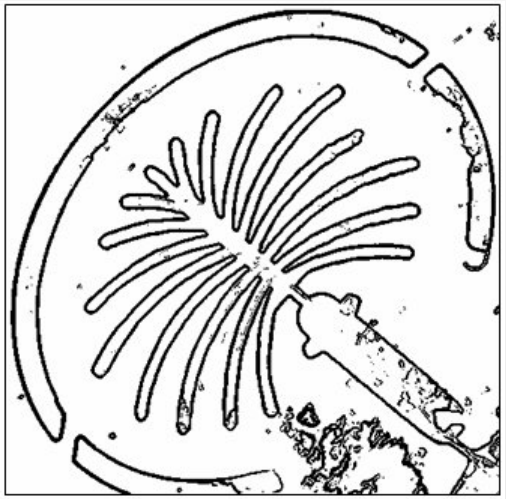

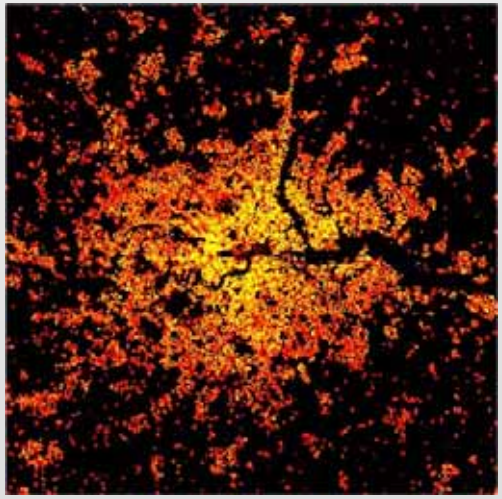
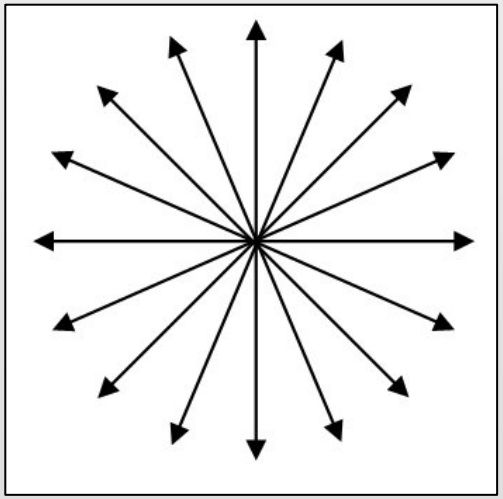
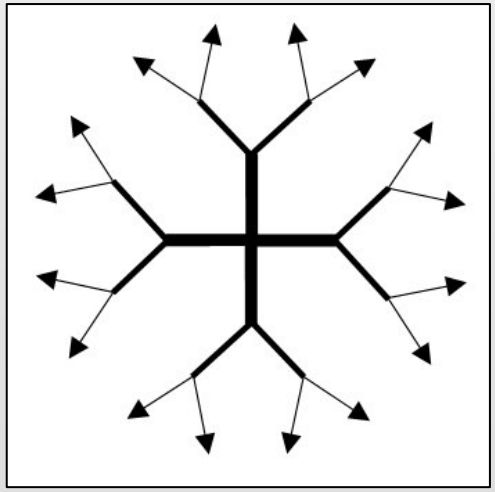

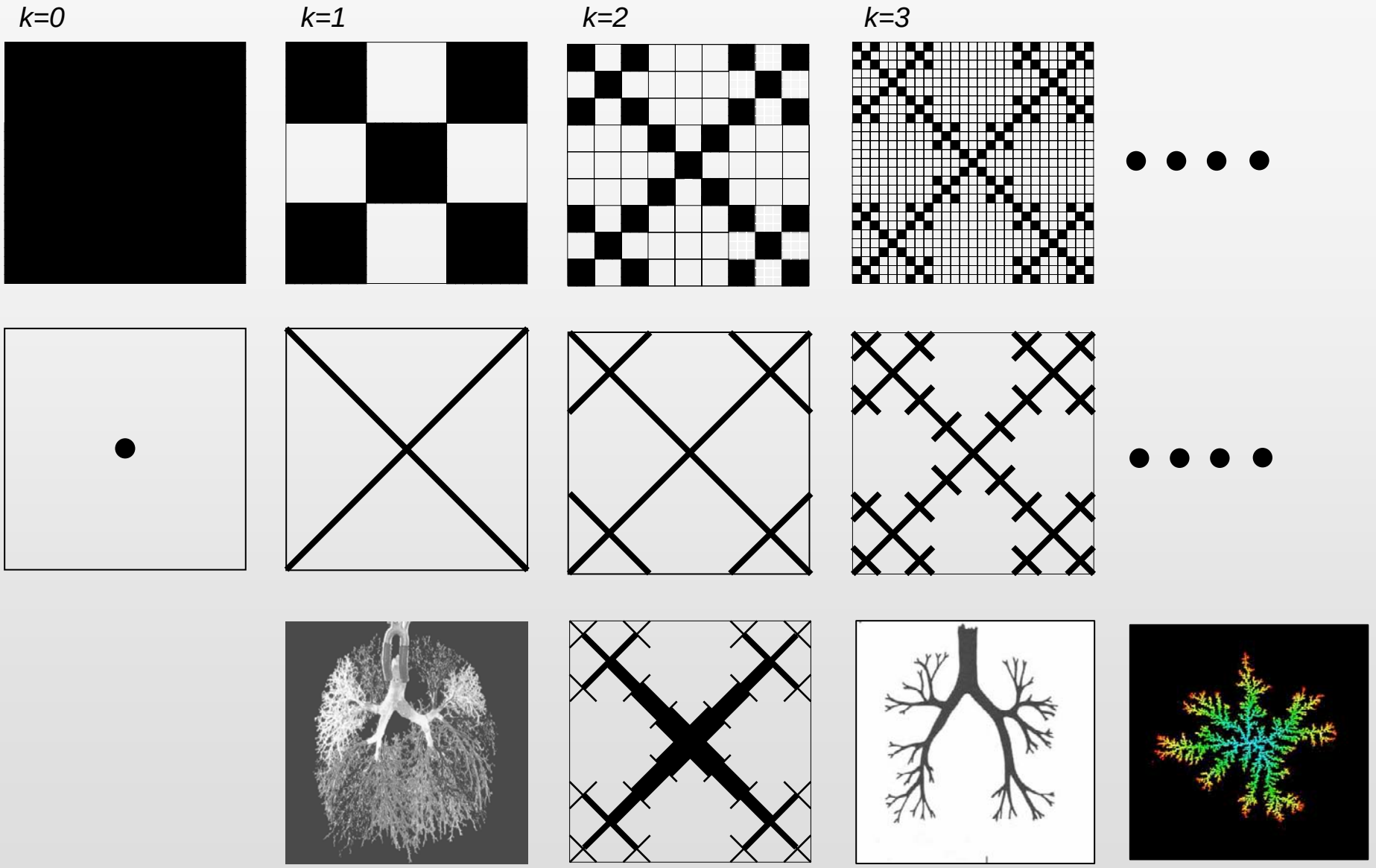
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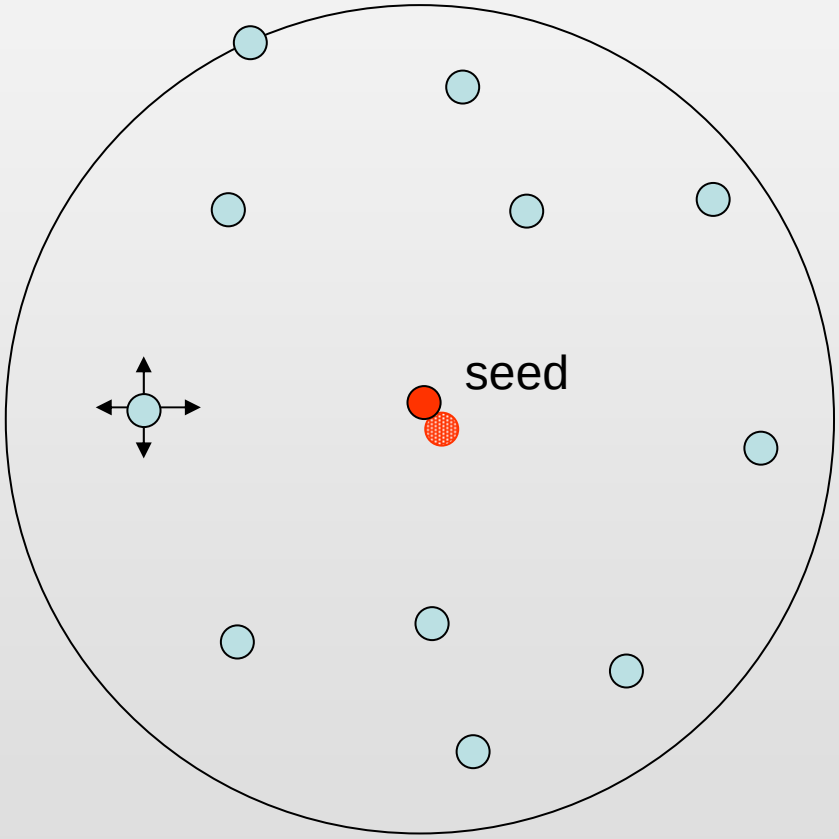
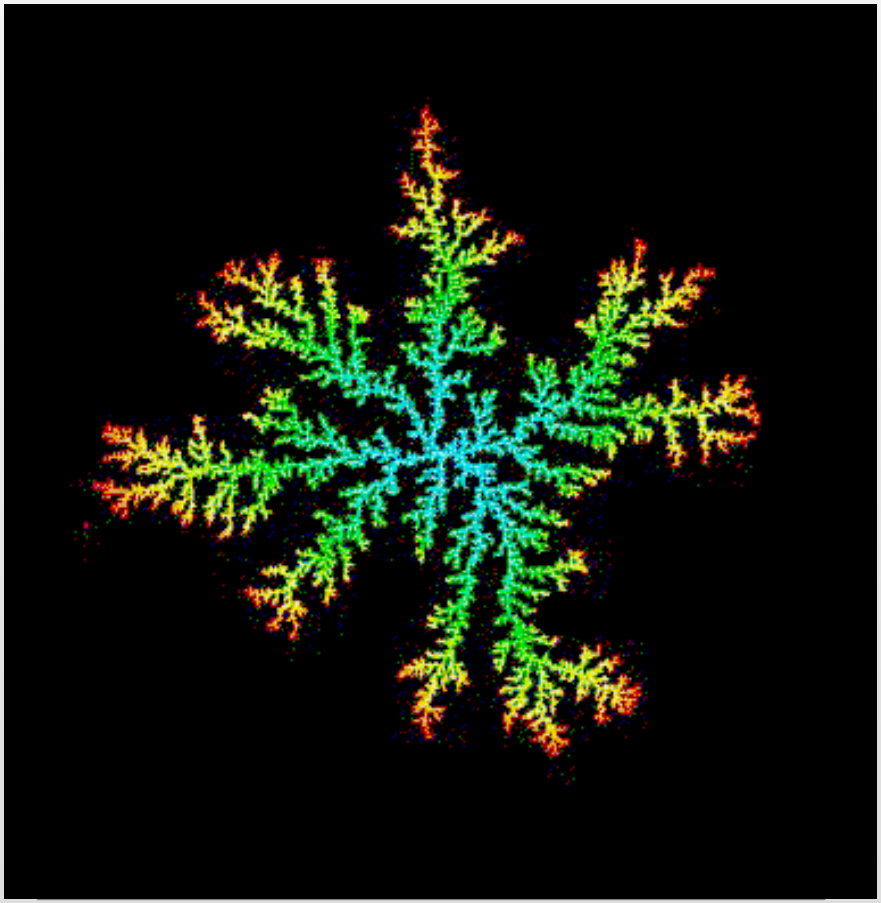
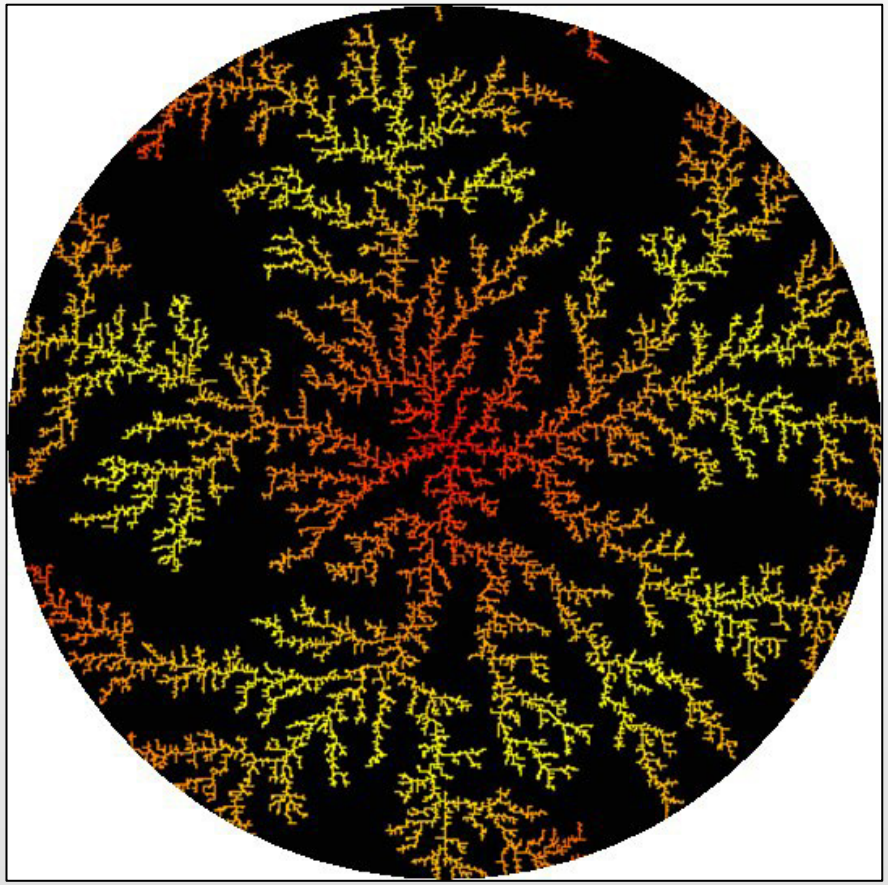
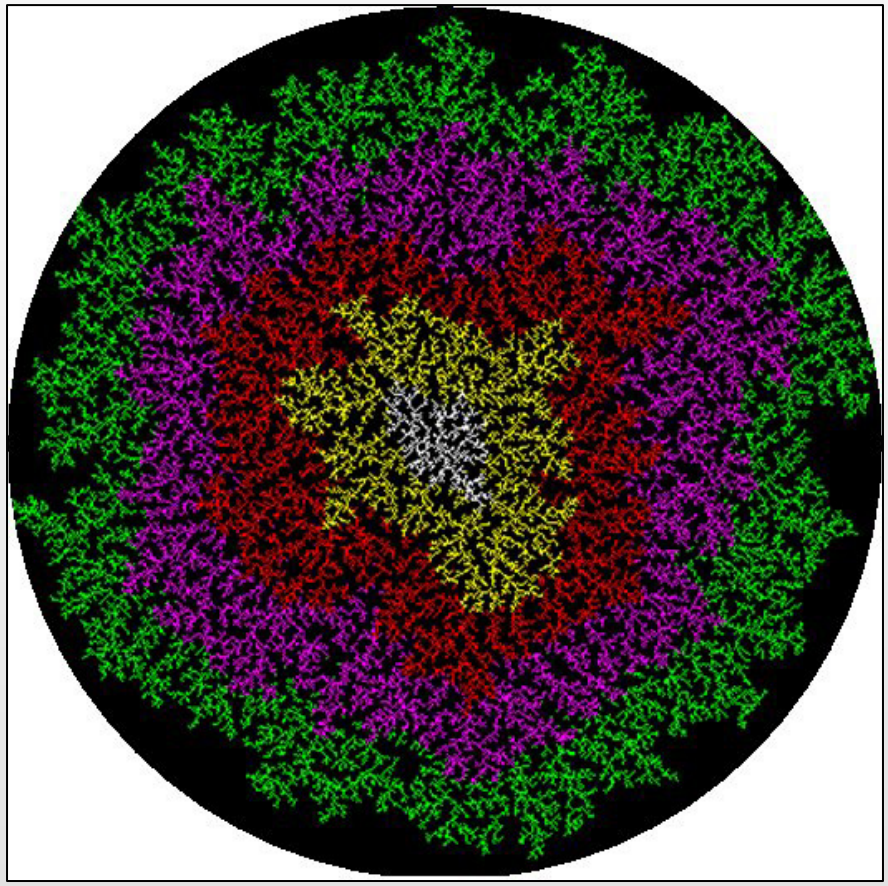








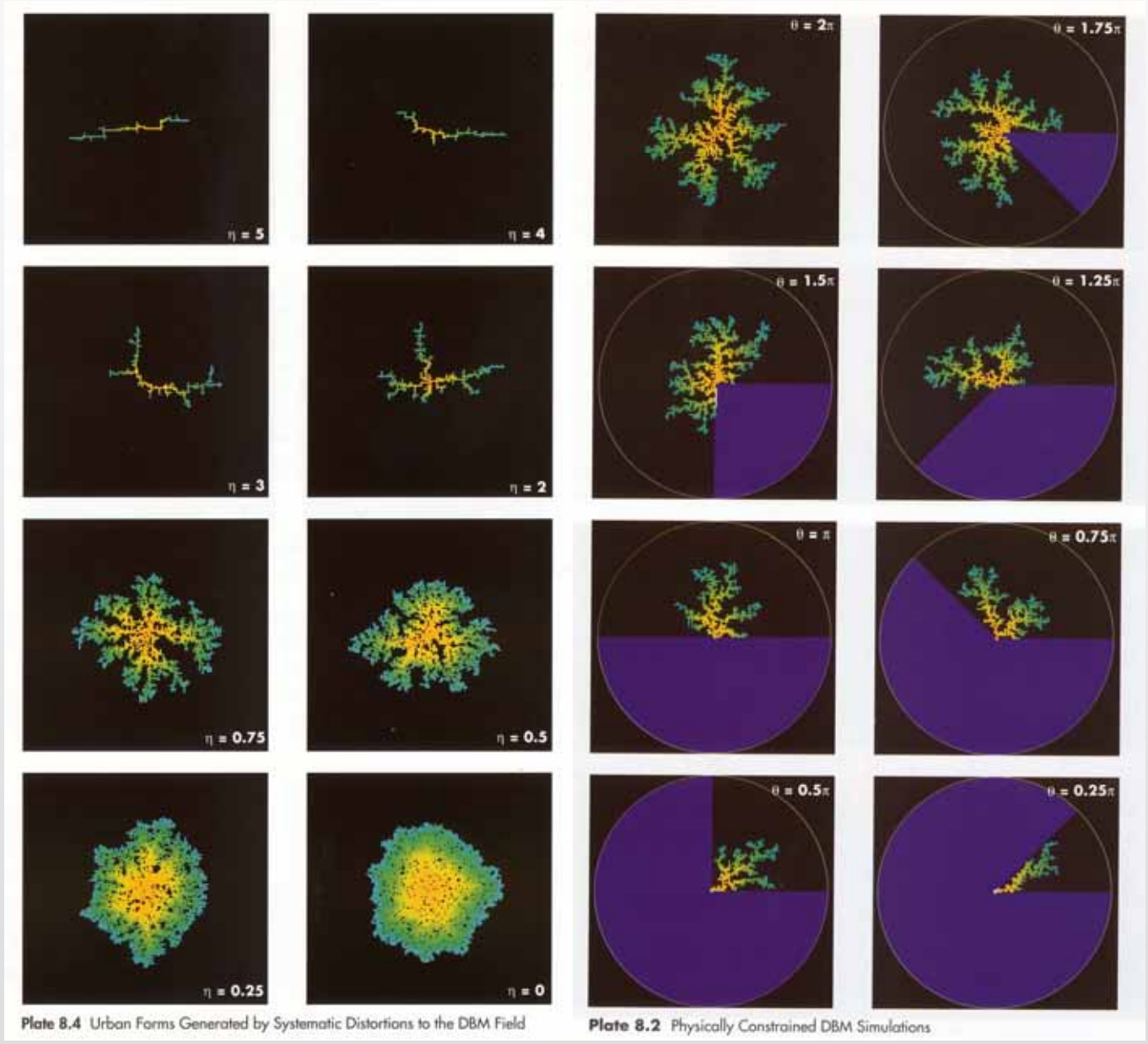


Plate 8.4 Urban Forms Generated by Systematic Distortions to the DBM Field

Plate 8.2 Physically Constrained DBM Simulations

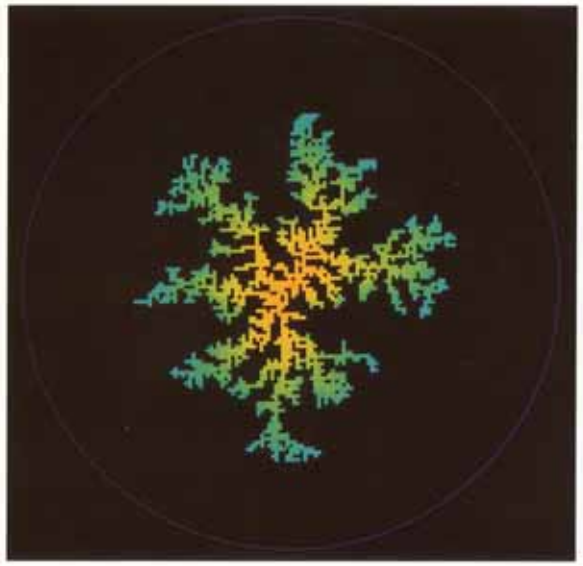
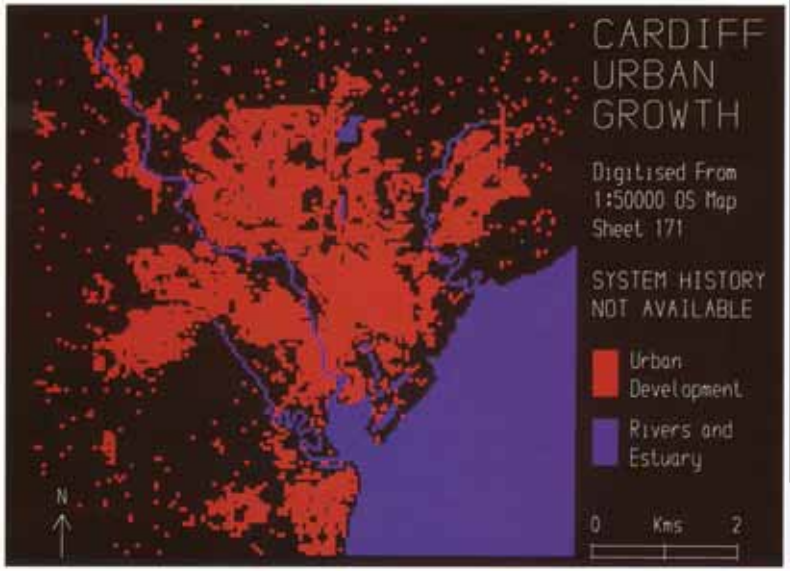


Plate 8.3 *(left)* The Baseline Simulation η =

Plate 8.5 *(below)* The Urban Area of Cardiff.



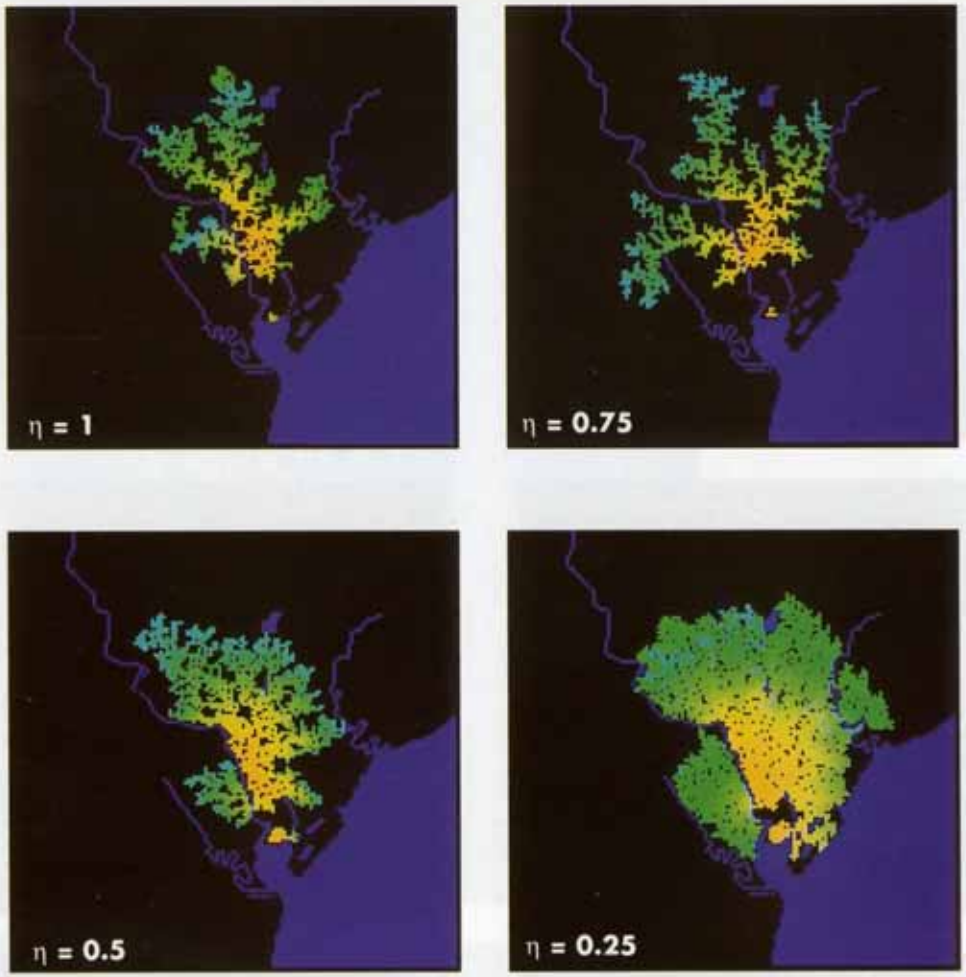


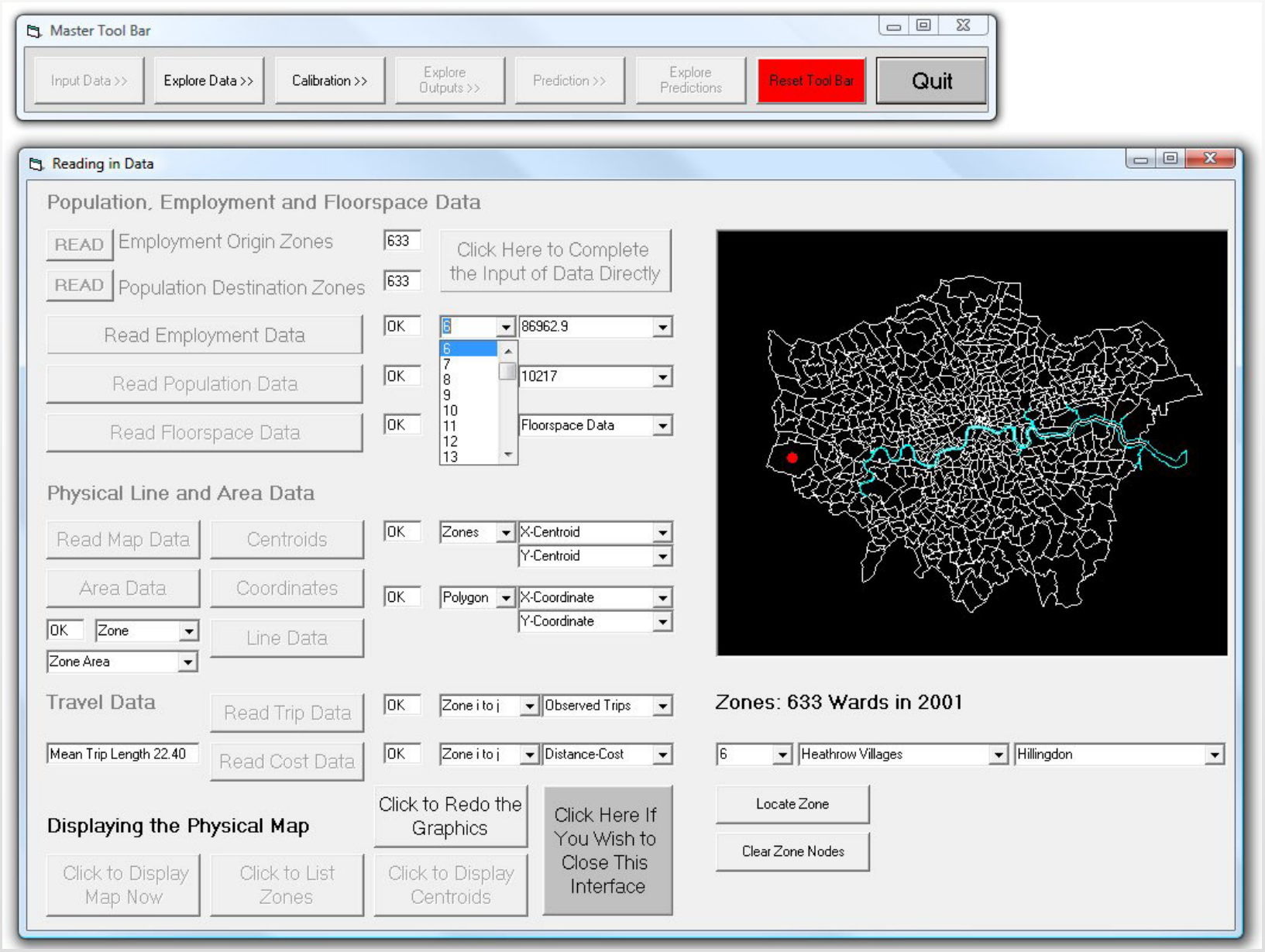
Plate 8.6 Simulating the Urban Growth of Cardiff

Flows on Networks: Scale Again – Local to Global

There is an enormous amount of work on spatial interactio, largely separated from the underlying networks but conceived in terms of gravitational models – which lie at the origins of social physics

Many of these models are being developed in our group and I simply illustrate some snaps from our London land use transport model that we have built for the Tyndall Centre Climate Change Cities project

These models predict flows on fixed networks – which we have seen earlier for London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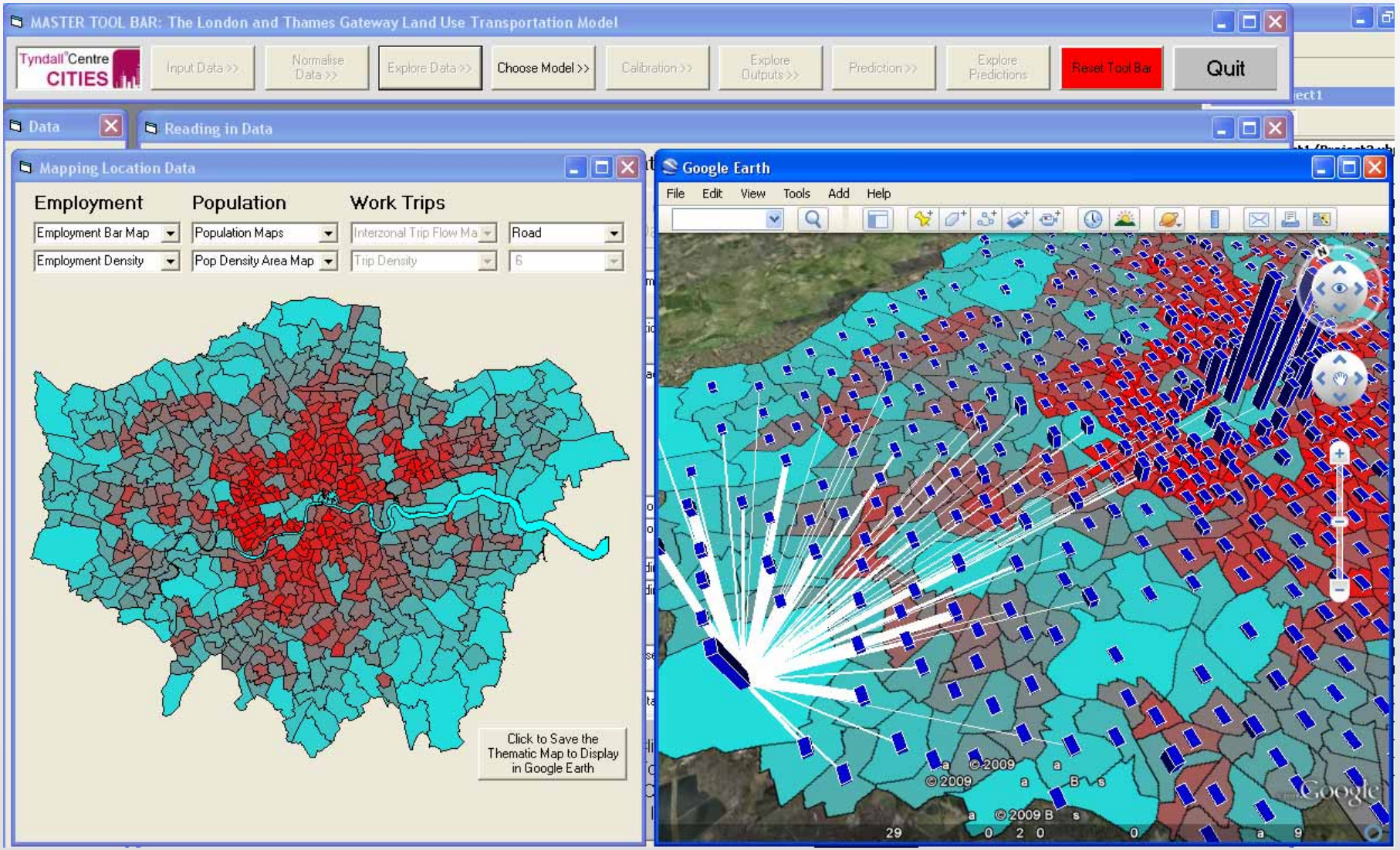
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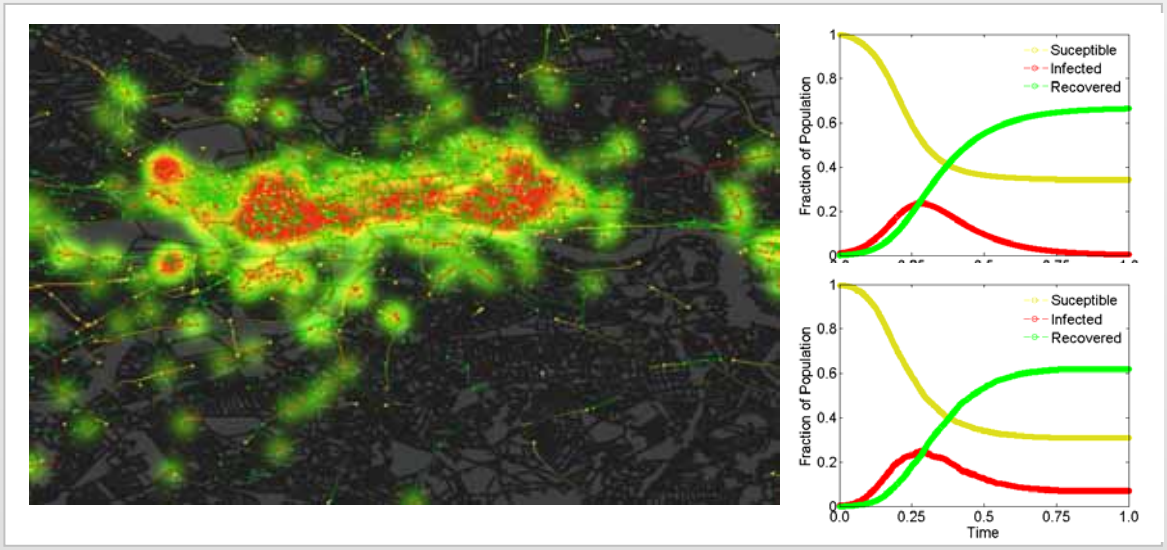
The Mathematics and Beyond

Basically we are building various models of processes on such networks – we want to develop some diffusion models of disease on networks, like the spread of the common cold in enclosed transportation spaces – like the tube.



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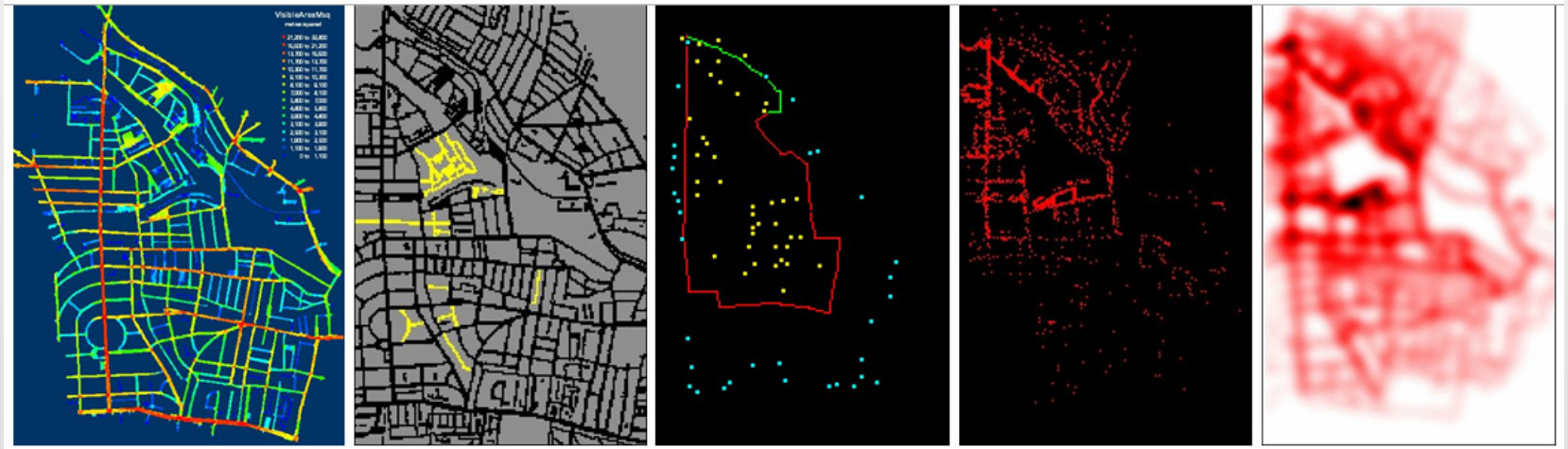
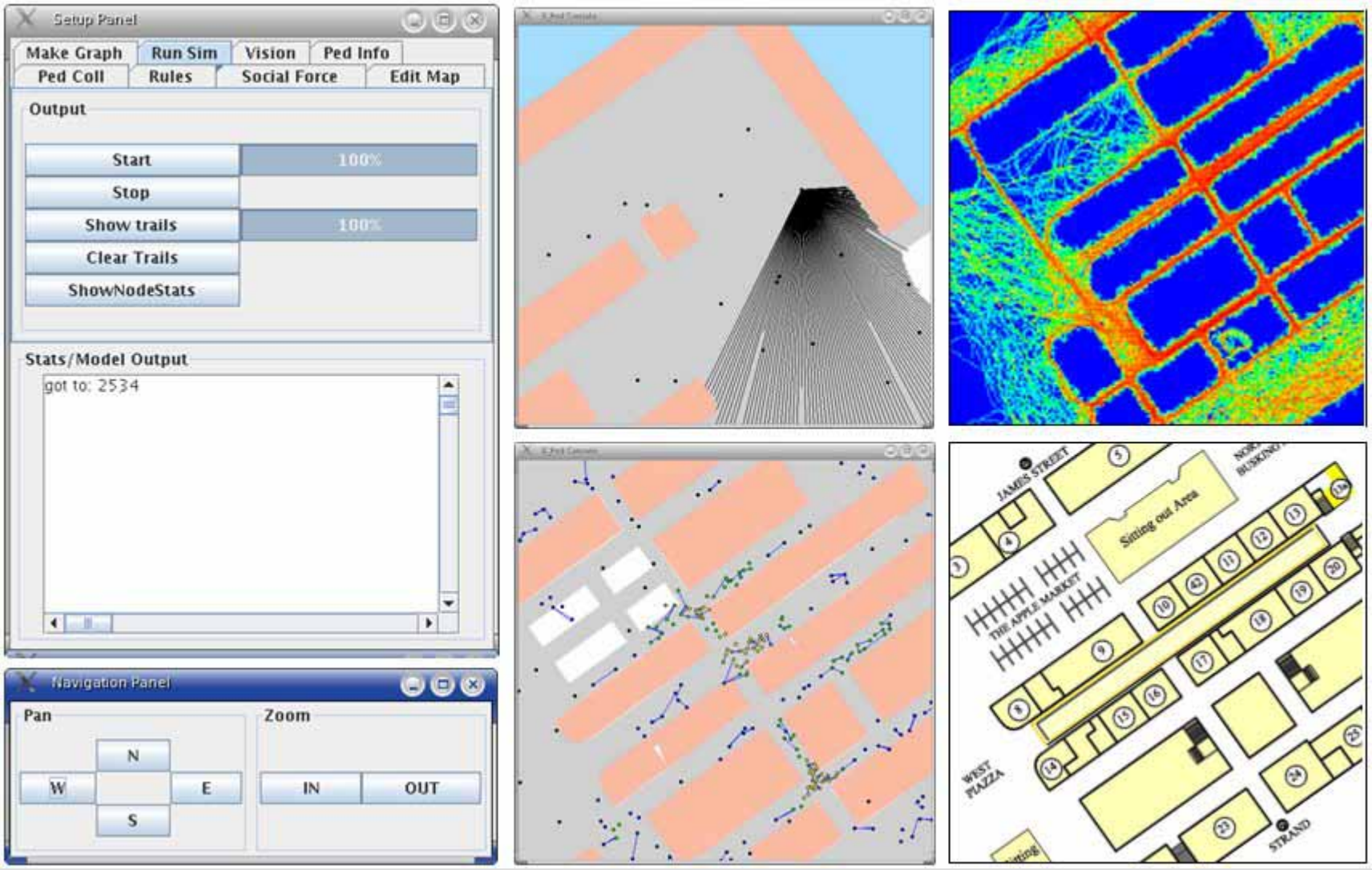


Above: Crowd Scenes and Emergency Vehicles at Hajj and in Notting Hill: Below: Our ABM of the Notting Hill Carnival



John Ward's ABM of Tourists & Shoppers in Covent Garden

My Indulgent and Final Example

London Bikes Project

Scraping Data: The London Bikes Experiment

Locally called Boris's Bikes

4200 bikes, 340 stations, access via online registration or by paying on a credit card at the local bike station – so all online data

City	Official Name	Installed	System	# of Bikes
London	Barclays Cycle Hire	July 2010	Bixi	4,300
Barcelona	Bicing	March 2007	Bikemi	4,200
Milan	Bikemi	December 2008	Bicing	1,100
Saragossa	Bizi	May 2008	Bicing	800
Girona	Girocleta	September 2009	TNT	100
Washington DC and Arlington	Capital Bikeshare	September 2010	Bixi	650
Montreal	Bixi	May 2009	Bixi	4,200
Minneapolis	Nice Ride	June 2010	Bixi	600
Denver	B-cycle	April 2010	B-cycle	350
Melbourne	Bike Share	June 2010	Bixi	400

Let's Visualise Them!

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'id:"([0-9]+?)".*?name:"(.+?)".*?lat:"(.+?)".*?long:"(.+?)".*?nbBikes:"([0-9]+?)".*?
nbEmptyDocks:"([0-9]+?)".*?installed:"(.+?)".*?locked:"(.+?)".*?temporary:"(.+?)".*?'
```

- Obtain the data from the operators' websites
  - Some provide XML/JSON/KML
  - Lots of Regex parsing
  - Velib-based systems require two stages
- Store it for analysis
- Stick it on a map
  - OpenLayers has some nice vector styling for points
  - OpenStreetMap-based background
  - Charts of historical trends via the Google Chart API

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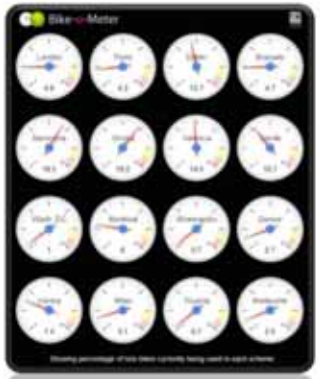
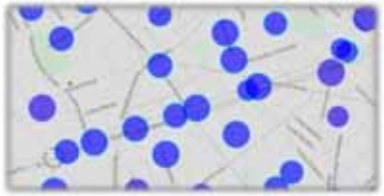
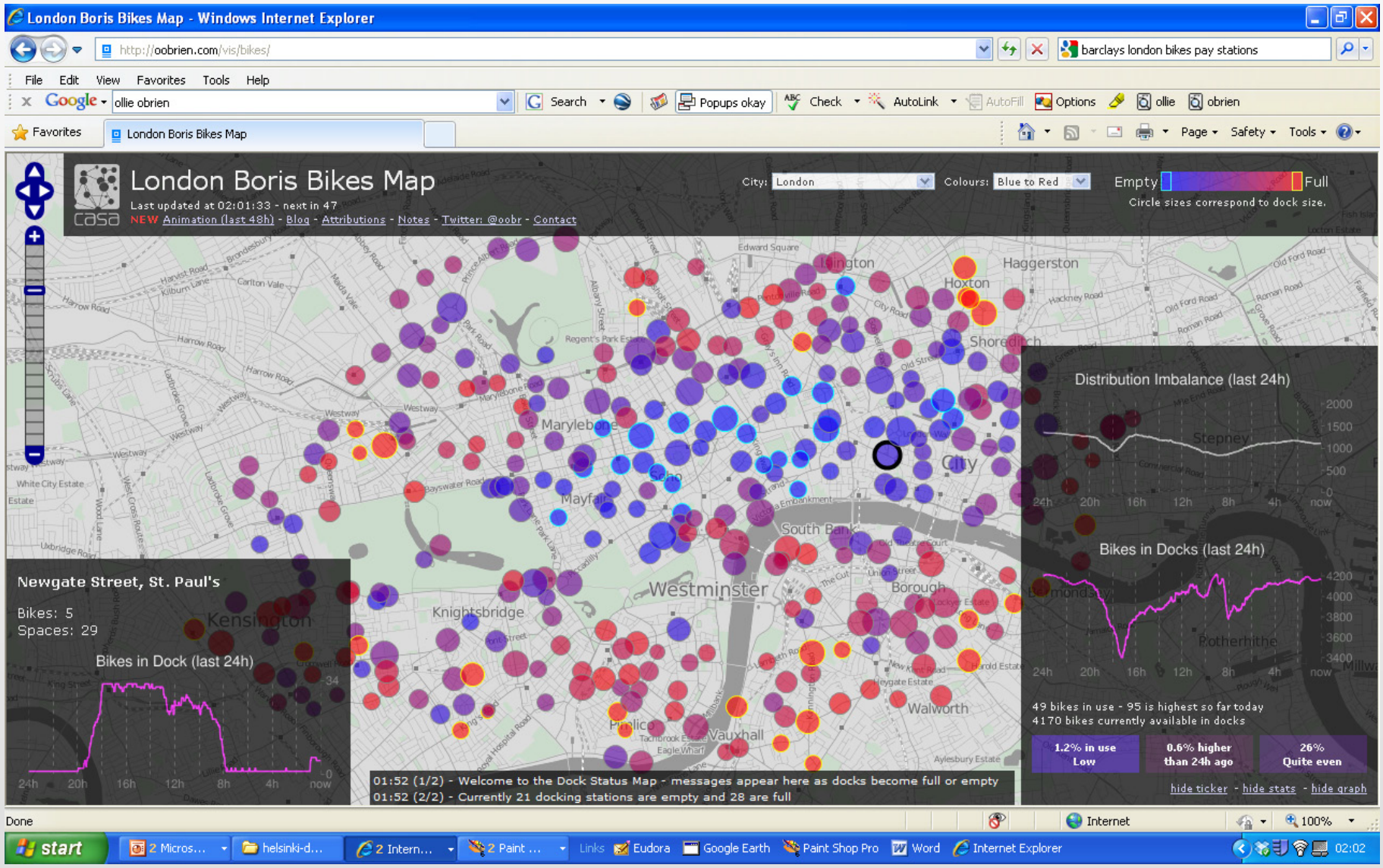


Bike/Dock Ratio

- No of bikes per 100 docks
  - Based on max availability at around 5am ("no" usage)
  - Averaged over a few weeks



City	Ratio/100
Melbourne	60
London	**56**
Montreal	56
Denver	54
Milan	52
Dublin	51
Minneapolis	50
Toyama	50
Barcelona	49
Washington DC	49
Girona	48
Paris	47
Vienna	47
Brussels	46
Seville	42
Valencia	39
Average	**50**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City: London
Colours: Blue to Red
Empty Full
Circle sizes correspond to dock size.
Distribution Imbalance (last 24h)
Bikes in Docks (last 24h)
Newgate Street, St. Paul's
Bikes: 5
Spaces: 29
Bikes in Dock (last 24h)
49 bikes in use - 95 is highest so far today
4170 bikes currently available in docks
1.2% in use
Low
0.6% higher than 24h ago
26% Quite even
hide ticker - hide stats - hide graph
01:52 (1/2) - Welcome to the Dock Status Map - messages appear here as docks become full or empty
01:52 (2/2) - Currently 21 docking stations are empty and 28 are full
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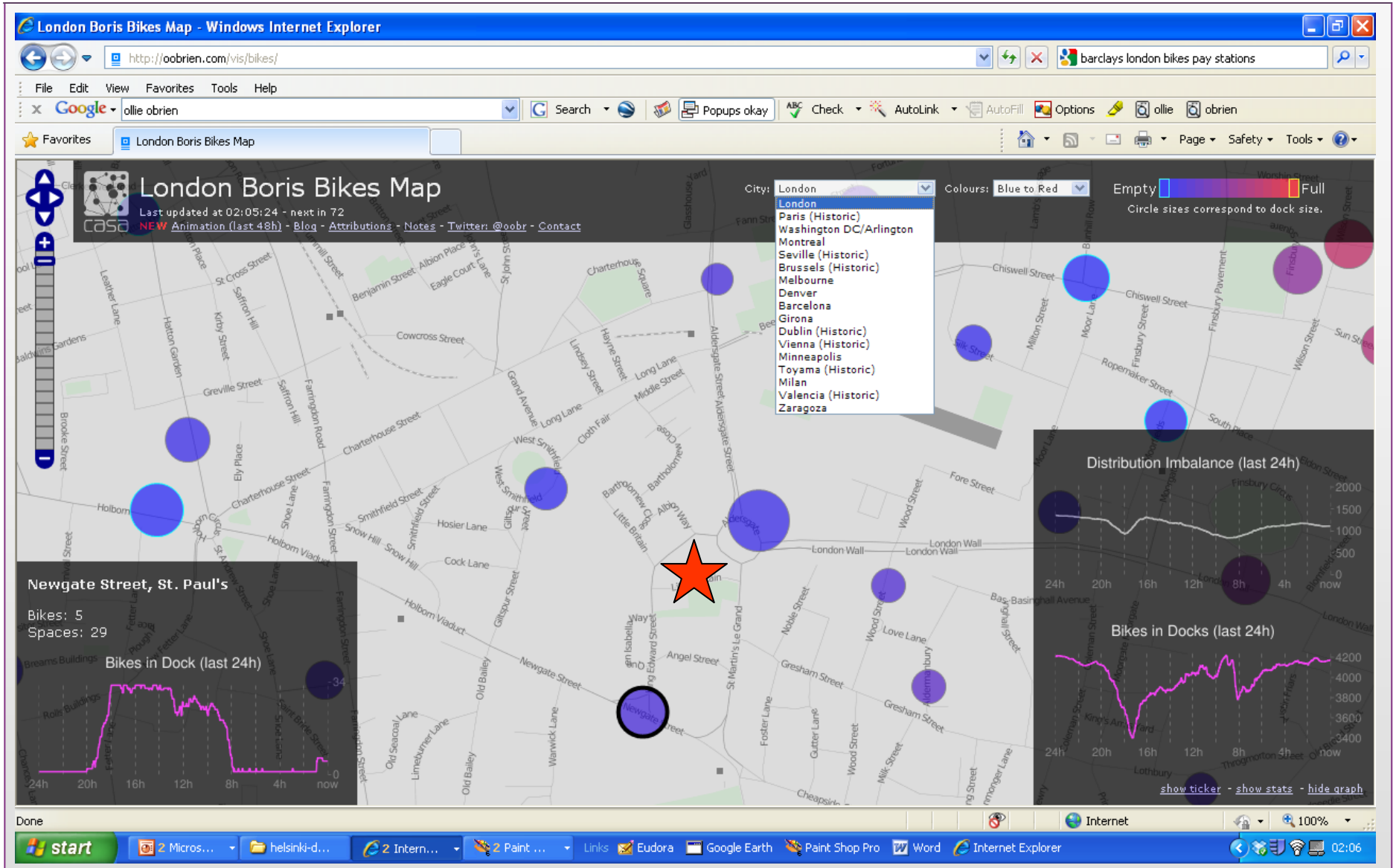
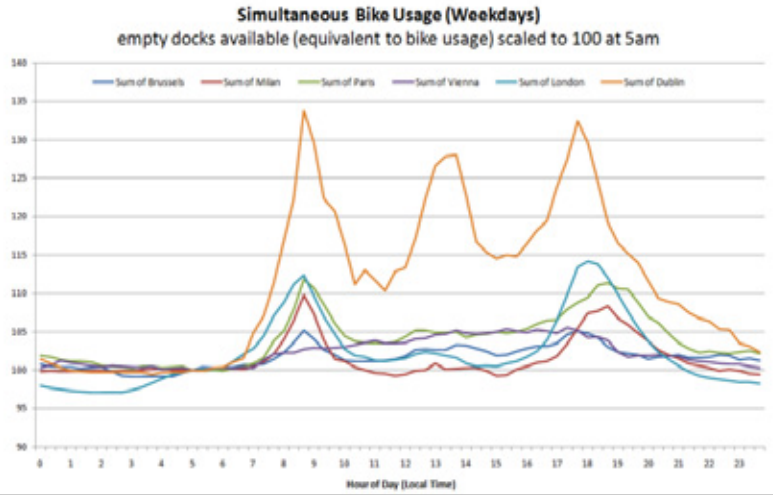
02:02



As yet no records of demand from people logging on, so no management capabilities, but could happen probably from an App based software but maybe from the server

Weekday Use – 1. Europe ex-Spain



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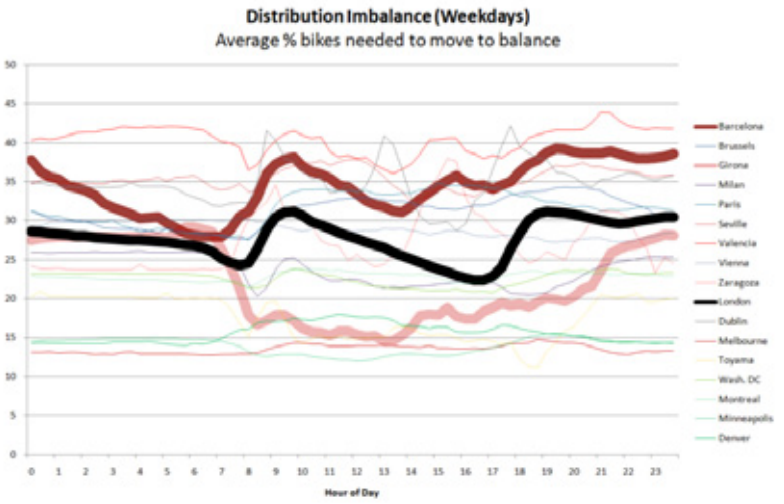
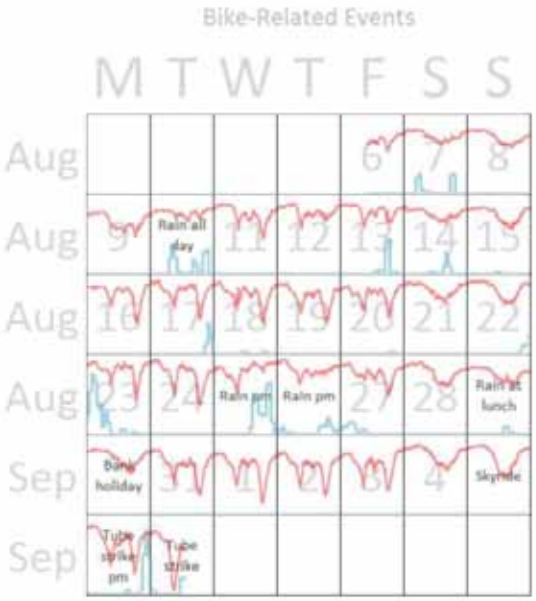


More Analysis

- **London**
- Graph shows number of bikes available to hire
- Effect of rain
  - Using the CASA weather station
- Effect of the tube strikes



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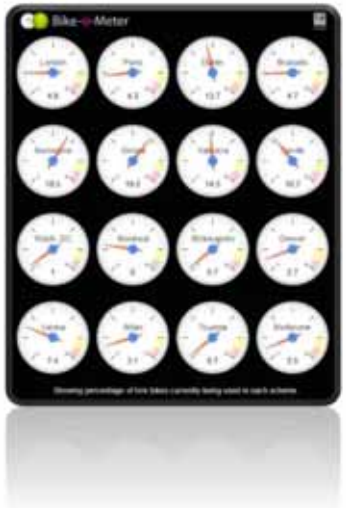

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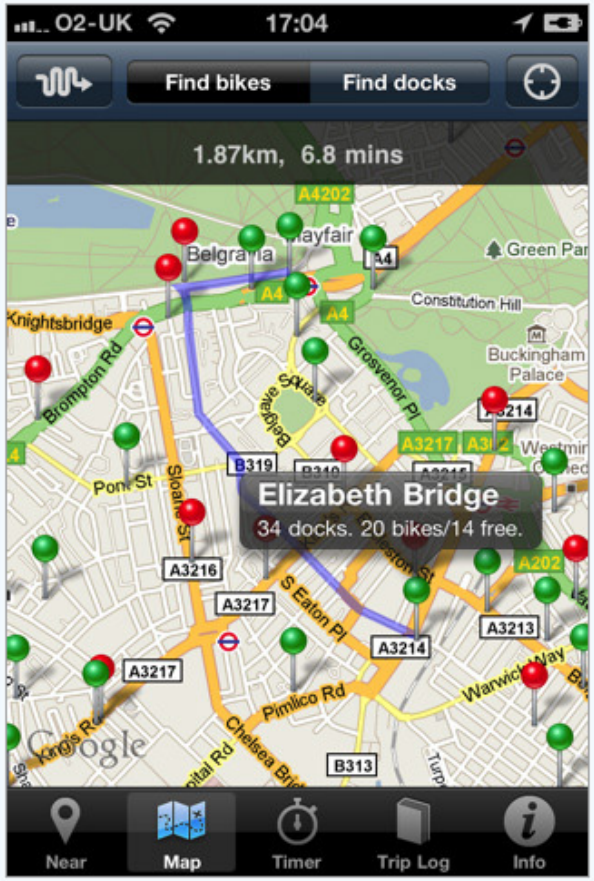

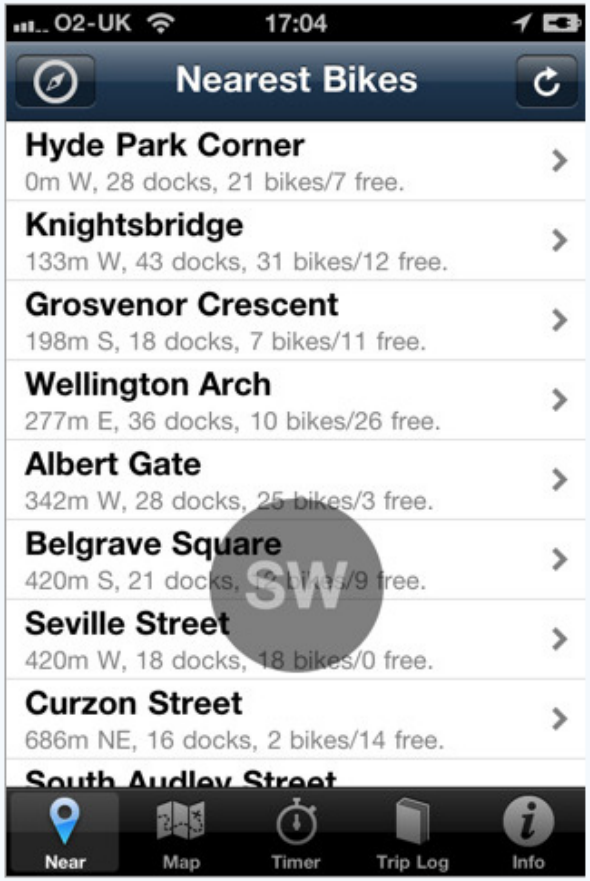

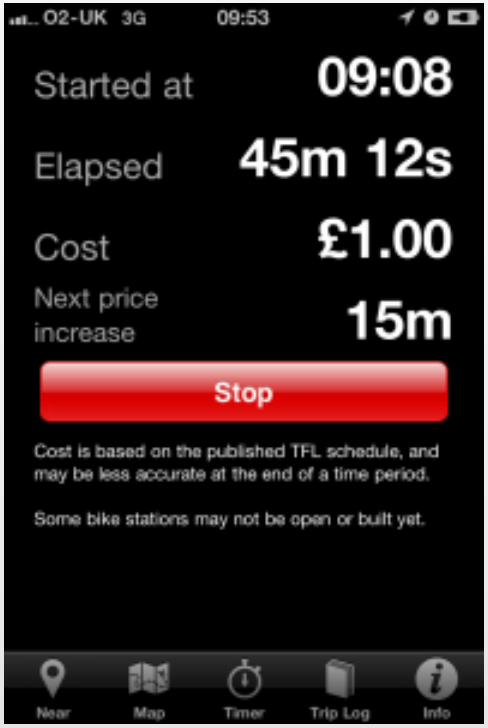

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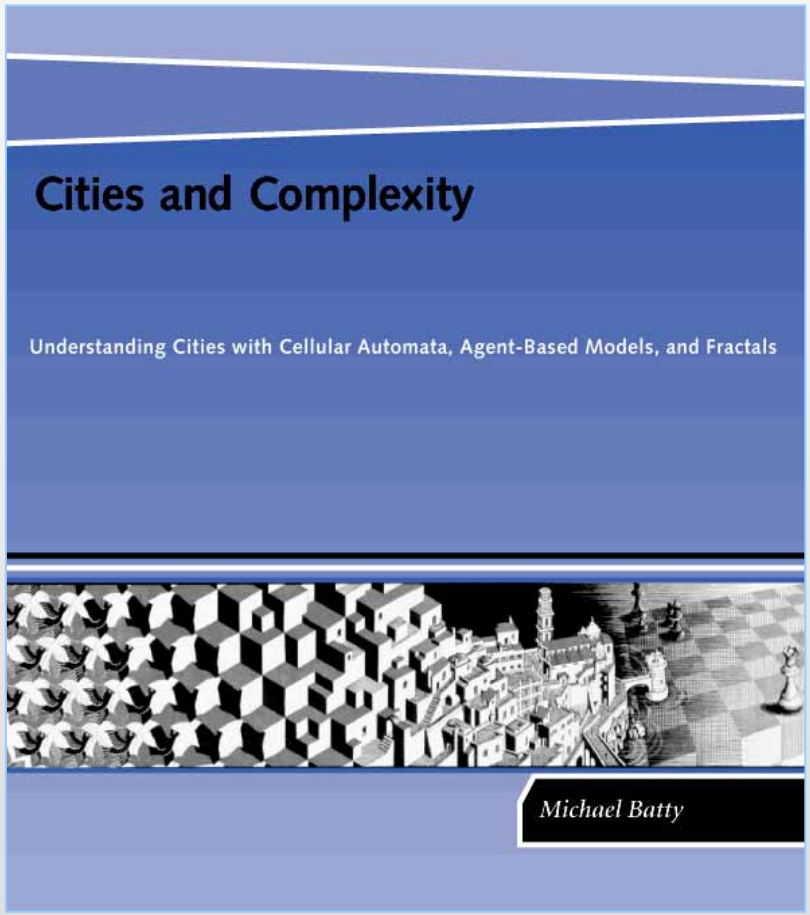

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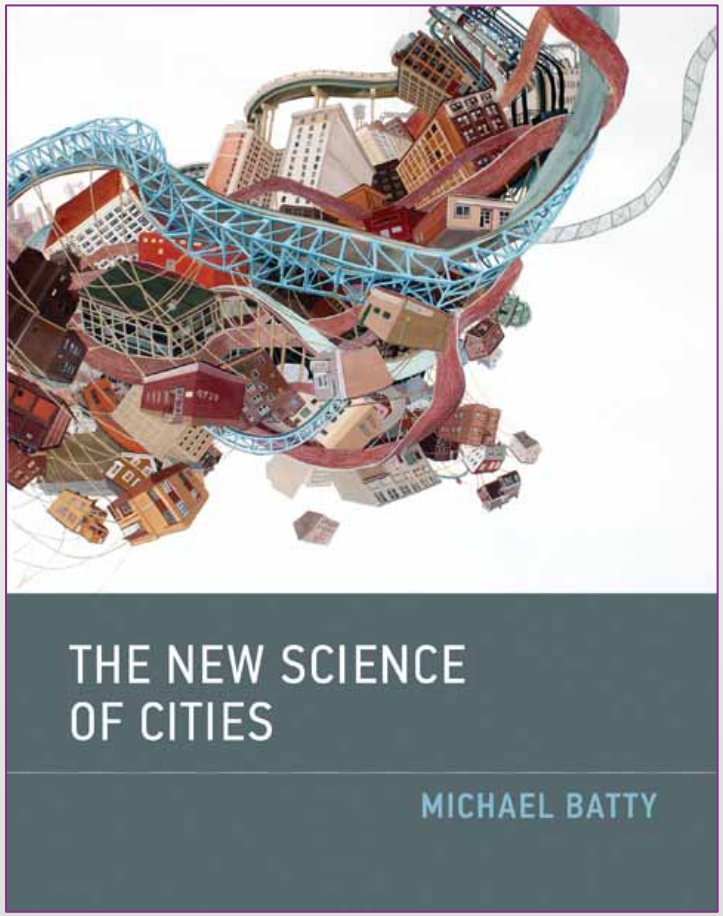

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