

Next generation urban data infrastructures

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From Urban Data Infrastructures...

- Urban Data Management has been a topic of research and practice for over 40 years.
- Much progress with the diffusion of GIS in the 1990s and then of Spatial data Infrastructures in the 2000s.
- Most of the emphasis on sharing data across public administration siloes.



....to Smart Cities and Regions

- But as cities become more complex we need to move beyond sharing data to sharing understanding of the problems, trade-offs, and choices i.e. a new model of governance.
- Smart Cities encompass this notion of ICT-enabled interactions between physical, social, and knowledge capital
- They address issues of optimizing limited resources to improve efficiency of key urban infrastructures: water, sanitation, transport, energy, ICT.

Using the metaphor of car....



From understanding there is a problem when the steams comes out of the radiator..

The first “indicators” built directly in the part of interest



More complex indicators but not interoperable



Modern indicators: just the essential + alerts



Today's cars more and more as sensor platforms

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Sensor platforms at 300 kilometers per hour

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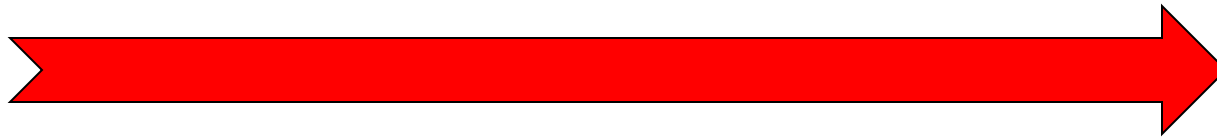
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Today's F1 cars

- 18000 data channels
- 2 Gb per lap
- 8000 simulations, updated every 2 seconds
- Reverse-engineering of communications in other teams to understand the status of the competitors' cars



The Urban Data Infrastructures of the future

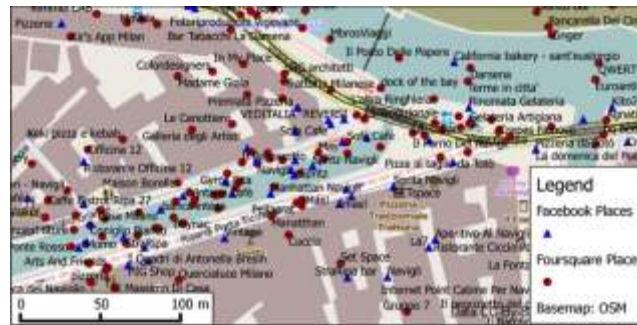


**+ data + sensors + analytics + more
participation and open innovation**

Integrating data sources



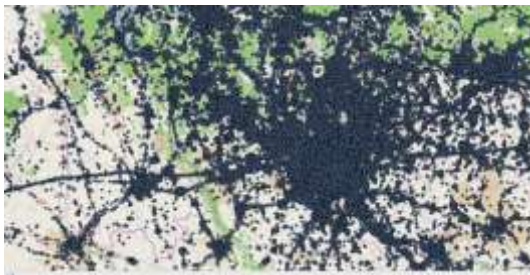
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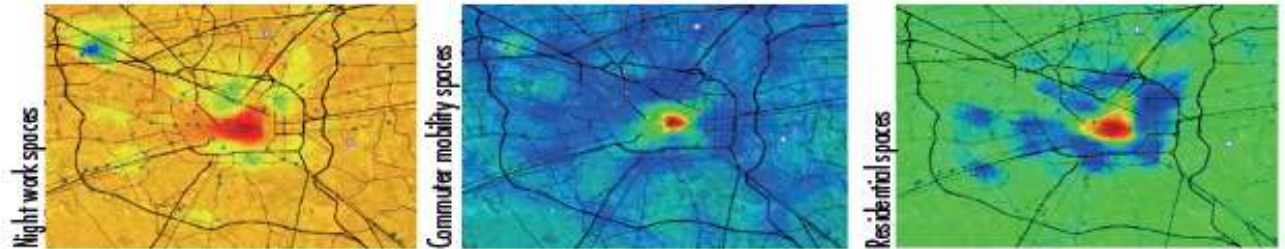
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The night

The day

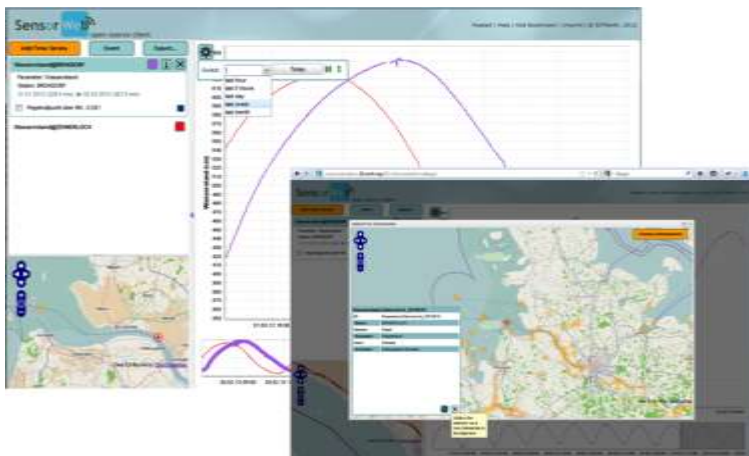
The evening

Milan by Mobile Phone

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Key issue 1: interoperability

- Interoperability as a key “smartifier” to connect networks
- European Directive 2007/2/EC establishing an Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community (INSPIRE) is a key asset to increase interoperability of public administrations in Europe and foster Digital Single Market
- Copernicus data to follow INSPIRE. Now working on specs for in-situ/mobile sensors.



Annex I

1. Coordinate reference systems
2. Geographical grid systems
3. Geographical names
4. Administrative units
5. Addresses
6. Cadastral parcels
7. Transport networks
8. Hydrography
9. Protected sites

Annex II

1. Elevation
2. Land cover
3. Ortho-imagery
4. Geology

Annex III

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|---|---|
| 1. Statistical units | 11. Area management/ restriction/regulation zones & reporting units |
| 2. Buildings | 12. Natural risk zones |
| 3. Soil | 13. Atmospheric conditions |
| 4. Land use | 14. Meteorological geographical features |
| 5. Human health and safety | 15. Oceanographic geographical features |
| 6. Utility and governmental services | 16. Sea regions |
| 7. Environmental monitoring facilities | 17. Bio-geographical regions |
| 8. Production and industrial facilities | 18. Habitats and biotopes |
| 9. Agricultural and aquaculture facilities | 19. Species distribution |
| 10. Population distribution – demography | 20. Energy Resources |
| | 21. Mineral resources |

Key issue 2: cyber-security

- Limited hardware complexity of IoT sensors inhibits security by design.
- One track is to secure clouds of sensors (e.g. <http://openinterconnect.org/>)
- Cooperation with industry needed to develop agreed standards.
- EC initiated Alliance for IoT Innovation ([AIOTI](#)) in 2015 to promote such dialogue



The screenshot shows the website for the Internet of Things Council. The header features the council's logo, which consists of a grid of colored squares (red, black, blue, white) with the word "council" in a bold, sans-serif font. To the right of the logo, the text reads "the internet of things" and "IoT council, a thinktank for the Internet of Things". Below the header is a navigation menu with links for "IoT news", "Internet of Things", "IoT day", "members", "partnership", and "about". A search bar is located on the left side of the page. The main content area features an article titled "Theo Priestley: The Internet Of Things Is A Fragmented \$19 Trillion Roulette Gamble" with a "Posted: 06/10/2015 07:33" timestamp. The article text begins with "50 billion connected devices: \$19 trillion opportunity. All by 2020." and continues with "Forget the numbers you see quoted on every slide deck at a conference because these are meaningless when you analyse just how fragmented this market seems to be. So I'm going to serve you up a new set of numbers." A bulleted list follows, containing three points: "There are 10 major factions fighting to become the standard for IOT", "6 vendors in reality control the outcome of the Internet Of Things", and "They have a joint market cap of \$670 billion". At the bottom of the article, there are social media sharing icons for Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and WordPress.

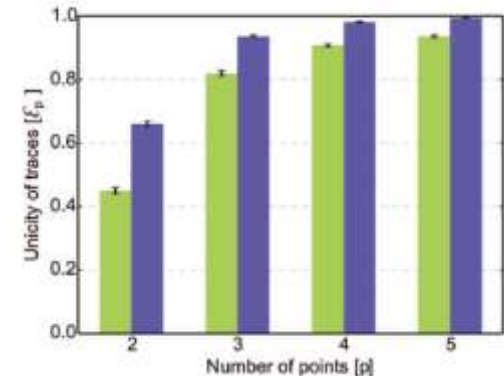
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Key issue 3: the loss of privacy

12 data points to uniquely identify a fingerprint



- Only 4 data points needed to uniquely identify an individual 90-95% of the times using mobile phone or credit card data
- Need to rethink concepts of privacy and how to empower control of digital rights by users



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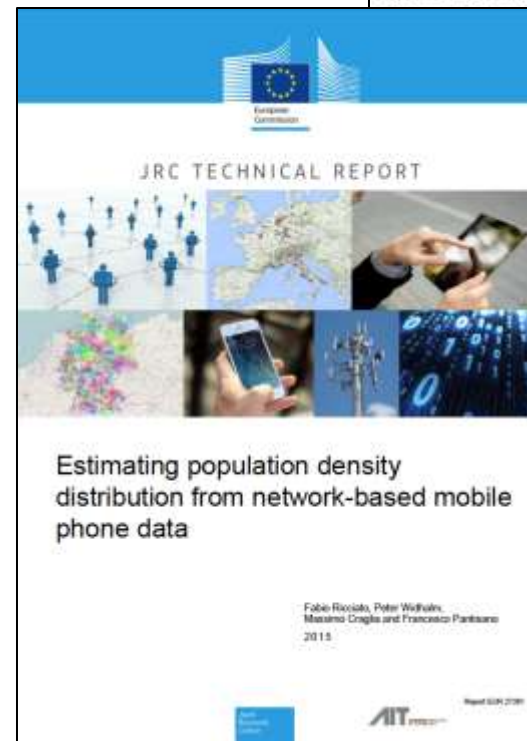
unicity
 Number of points
 Spatial resolution
 Temporal resolution

Source: de Montjoye, Y. A., Hidalgo, C. A., Verleysen, M., & Blondel, V. D. (2013). Unique in the Crowd: The privacy bounds of human mobility. Nature SRep, 3.

de Montjoye Y.-A., Radaelli L., Singh V. K., Pentland A. S., Unique in the shopping mall: On the reidentifiability of credit card metadata. Science (2015).

Key issue 4: data democracy

- Serious debate needed about privacy as human right or just consumer preference
- Increasing shift in data collecting and knowledge about society from public to private sector
- Need to engage private sector in a transparent dialogue on how to have open access to non-confidential data useful for public policy (e.g. population distribution)



Key issue 5: institutional capacity and governance

- IoT, mobile apps, ubiquitous Internet access provide major opportunities for efficient and accountable urban management and more participatory approaches
- The pace of technological development is far outpacing the capacity of institutions at all levels to adapt and meet the expectations. Risk of technology lock-in.
- Cultural and organizational challenges and new skills needed to make the most of the opportunities and limit the risks.
- City governments as Open Innovation laboratories.





Thank you for your kind attention



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