

### Principles

- Document everything (or just enough)
- Everything in Git (.gitignore, environment)
- Automate or Code as much as possible
- 'Critical' decisions should be discussed as a group
- Meet daily to keep teammates informed about status (What did you do, what will you do, any blockers)
- Pairing on interesting and painful topics is encouraged
- Kanban

### Data Sources and Preparation

Create Output Master Table with "empty" time windows

Understand all data sources

Look for (and understand) potential additional data sources

### EDA

Under which circumstances do accidents happen (day, time of day, month, road segment, coordinates, weather condition, speed etc.)?

### Accident prediction

How to do time?

How to do location?

Classification or Regression?

Week One objective:

Submit Solution to Zindi (as automated as possible)

Present Introduction to problem, solution method and baseline

Milestone: 1st Solution Submitted

Milestone: Consideration Set of clustering algorithms identified with relevant pros and cons

Milestone: Consideration Set of prediction algorithms identified...

Milestone: Slides / Presentation of Problem as introduction

Tasks:

- Create way to store submission and resulting score
- Understand submission format
- Understand submission process
- Script written to generate submission from prepared data / model output
- Create model to place ambulances based on input data and problem approach
- Process crash dataset to be used in first output model
- Define simple solution (i.e what is input, what is baseline model, how much change to baseline do we want)

### Parking Lot for Extensions

Evaluation function for advanced project - have a better metric that takes time or distance as a measurement and "blocks" an ambulance for a certain amount of time after it gets used. (Latter point might lead to re-calculation of optimal locations after each accident?)

Idea from Tereza: Probability of someone dying (could increase over time)

Building on that - have a classification (sort of a histogram?) of how many people were attend to in: less than 5, less than 10, less than 15 minutes etc.

Heirarchy of Metrics:  
Euclidean distance (Challenge Metric)  
Road distance  
Time (based on avg segment speed)  
Golden Hour Threshold to measure deaths

Extension: Dealing with multiple accidents in time period

How to deal with multiple accidents in a time window? e.g. run model with n-1 nodes to reallocate waiting zone to ambulances:

For how long are ambulances taken out of the pool when a close accident occurs

How many times no ambulance available (i.e. accidents in time period greater than no. of

Problem Definition:

Ambulances are a limited resource  
Accidents are difficult to predict  
time for an ambulance to reach an accident site is critical to outcome. (every second counts - golden hour)

Positioning ambulances in a city determines the time needed.  
Current methods for positioning rely on local knowledge in individuals heads.  
Placement of each Ambulance is not coordinated to optimize the entire system.

