

# URP 610 Final Project Proposal

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GitHub Source: <https://github.com/HumblePasty/urban-networks>

## Data & Research Question

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For the final project, I seek to build the scope based on the SSN assignment to do more exploration and analysis on Ann Arbor's bus stop and bus route system.

### Research Questions

For the SSN assignment, I answered the following questions:

- What is the network structure of Ann Arbor's bus stop network? (for example, degree distribution, centrality, etc)
- Which stops are important in the network? How are they distributed?
- Which areas have relatively higher density of bus stops? Are they aligned with the busy areas of Ann Arbor?

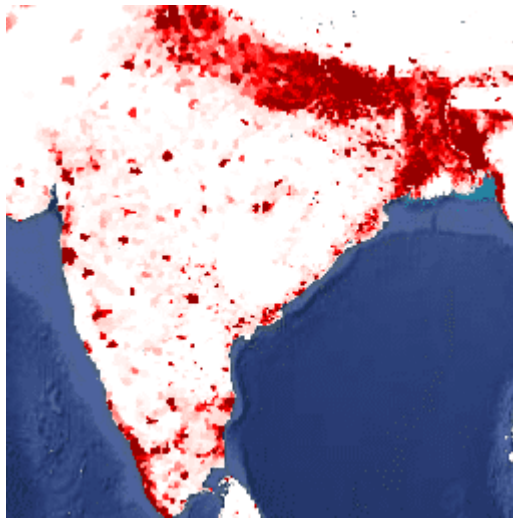
### Further Analysis and Methods

For the final project, I hope to extent the scope and try to answer the following answers:

- **Do the serving density (indicated by the trip schedules) match with the population density?**
- **What is the percentage of population/households that cannot find a bus stop in Ann Arbor in 15min?**
- Apply more **SSN analysis metrics** to analyze the spatial social network, for example:
  - Conduct **Edge/ND scan** to the network and find the network hotspot of the bus network  
Note: do I have existing lib to rely on?
  - Calculate the **global flattening ratio** of the bus network and comment on the spatial efficiency of the network  
Note: Also, potential issue in coding - are there existing lib?

### Potential Data Sources

- Population density data (ideally raster data with enough spatial resolution)  
For example GPWv411: Population Density (Gridded Population of the World Version 4.11)



- US household data

This can be a point or polygon shapefile indicating the location of the households. For example FCC broadband household data:

