Artificial Intelligence: Project 1

# Context Aware Intelligent Tour Guide

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#### Problem statement

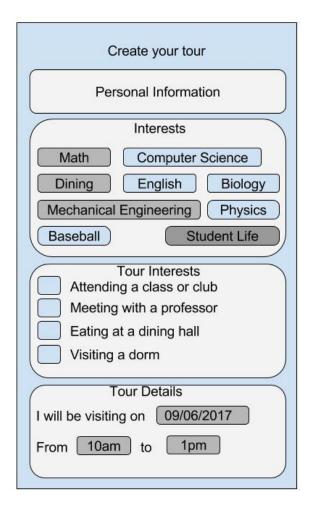
- Lafayette College wants to upgrade their college tour procedure.
- Recommender system incorporates visitors academic, cultural and athletic interests
- Must address all use cases to provide users with relevant, personalized output

itineraries.



### Input

- Personal Information
- Academic, athletic and extracurricular interests
  - Selected from pool of predefined tags
- Tour interests
  - Class, club, professor, information session
- Tour details
  - Start time and location, end time, time flexibility
- Use buildings that were assigned to classes of a certain major to guess tags



### Groups as an average visitor

The algorithm does not differentiate between individuals and groups, however it is possible to simulate groups on the implementation side by

- 1. Averaging the interest tags over the group members by tag frequency
- 2. Forcing the same start and end time as well as start location of the tour when "visit as a group" is chosen

The algorithm will however ask for number of visitors per session to respect building capacity.



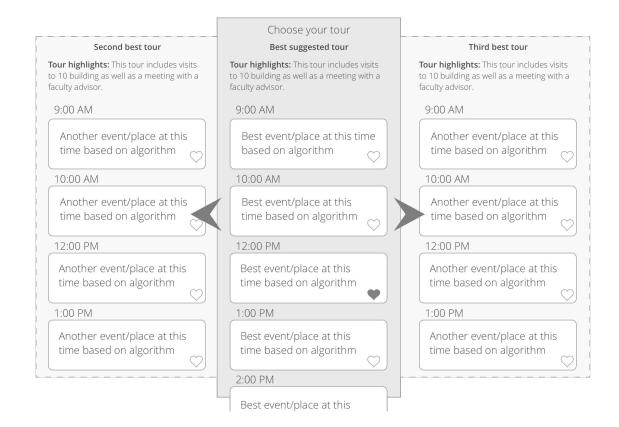
### Knowledge

- Building/landmark/event
  - Name, use, location, capacity
  - Time schedule
  - Baseline time spent
  - Distance between buildings
- Expected weather
- User input



### Output

- A list of itineraries:
  - Highlighted features
  - List of places/events
  - Reasons/Uses
  - Visual instructions
- Implicit feedback loop



### Assumptions

- Tours will be generated as if for a single user
- User knows physical location of buildings
- Users walk approximately at the same speed
- User will be at stated location at stated time
- User spends expected time at each location



### Constraints



- Starting location will be a node/location specified by user, must be known to system
- End location must be the same as the start location.
- At least one itinerary must be produced for all inputs
- Time span defined in the student's input will loosely constrain the length of the tour.
- Some buildings have restrictive access.

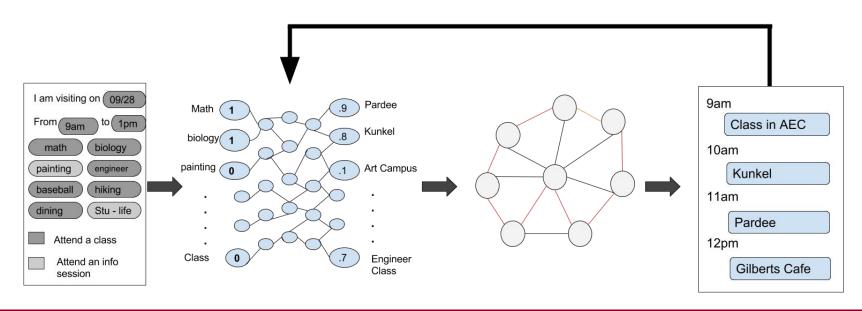
### Evaluation criteria

- Use cases
  - O How flexible is it? Extreme cases?
- Time
  - At different times of the day? Of different lengths?
- Interests
  - Meet the user's preferences? Promote interests for the school/major(s)?
- Others
  - Building capacity? Scalability? Limitations?

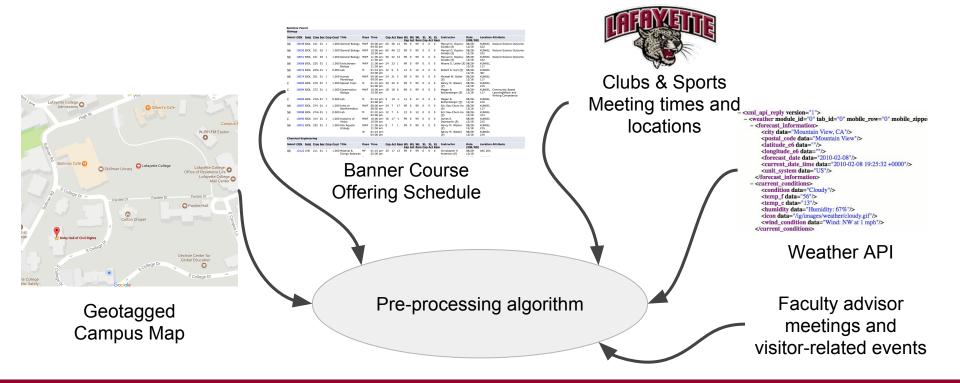


### Solution - high level

- Pre-processing step + two Al subproblems:
  - Interest mapping and graph generation
  - Graph traversal and Itinerary generation



### Knowledge discovery and Data parsing



# Building a list of tagged buildings

#### **Desired output:**

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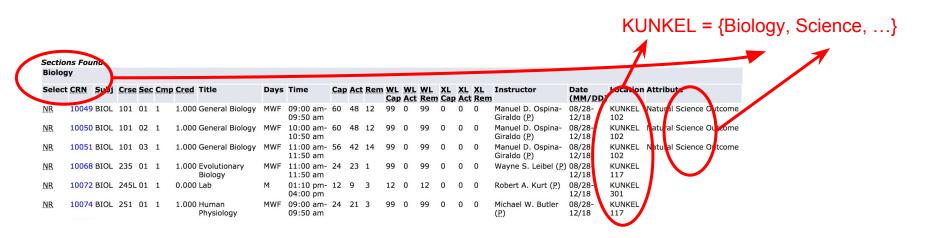
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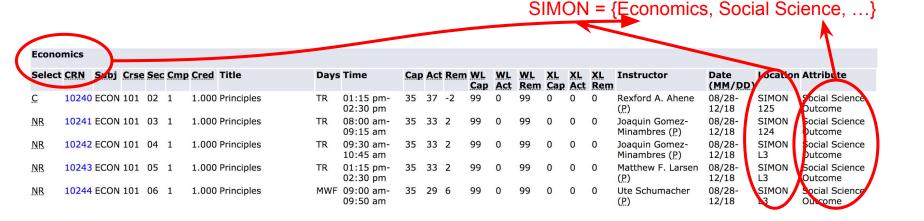
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Source 2: The Lafayette Directory, ex: https://directory.lafayette.edu/node/152

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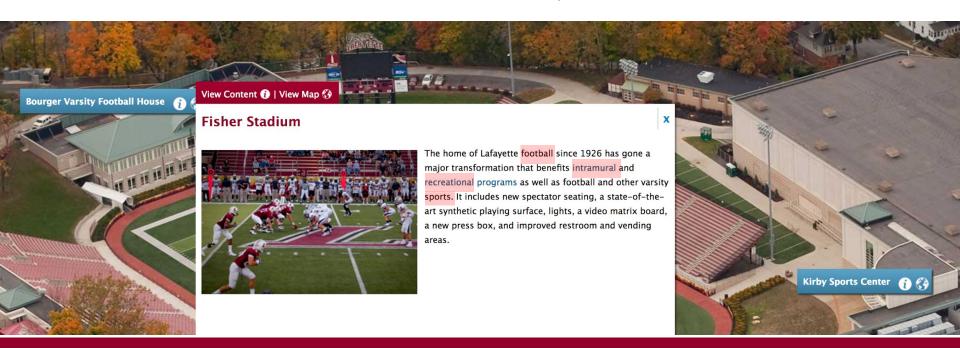
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Word2Vec

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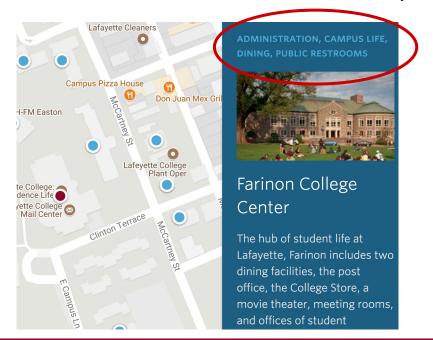
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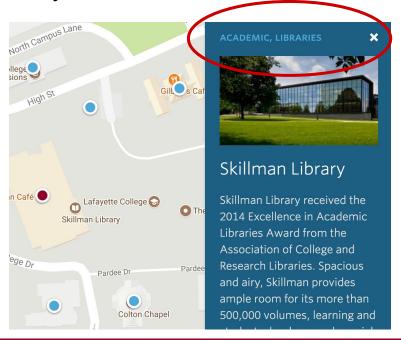
Source 3: virtualtour.lafayette.edu



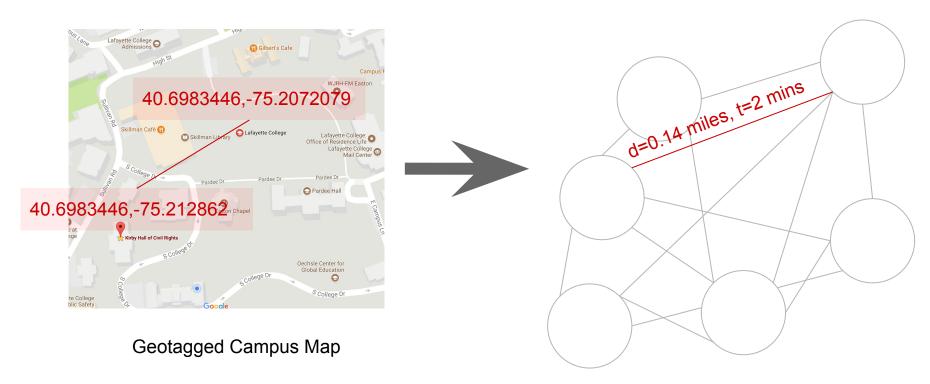
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Source 4: campusmaps.lafayette.edu





### Building a fully connected graph of buildings



#### First subproblem

### Matching User Preference

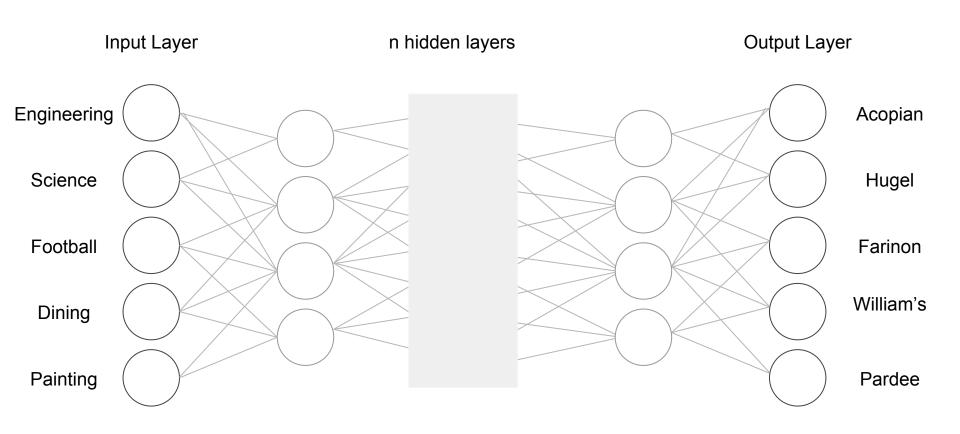
- Neural Network inspired by Word2Vec (Mikolov et al.)

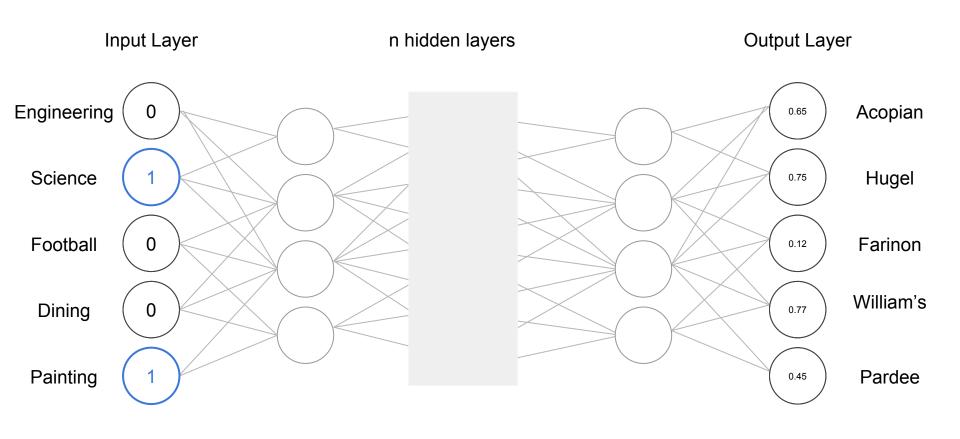
#### Input:

Engineering, Science, Math

#### Output:

Acopian (.87), Hugel (.79), Oechsle (.56), ...





#### Subproblem

### Matching User Preference

#### **Initial Training Dataset:**

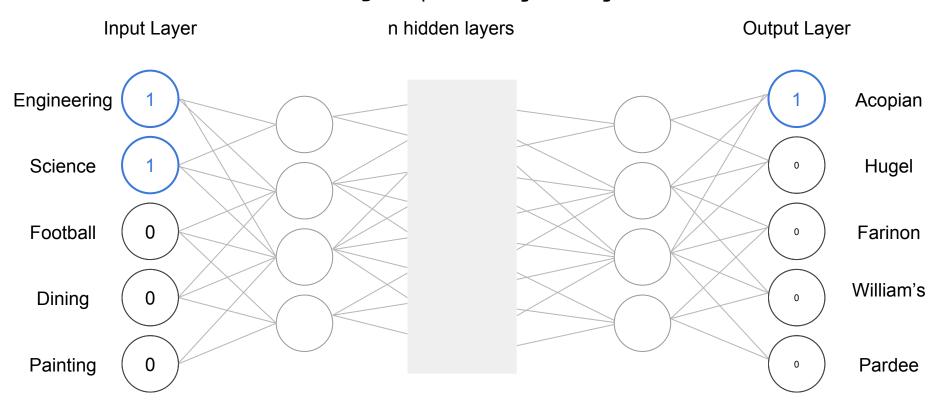
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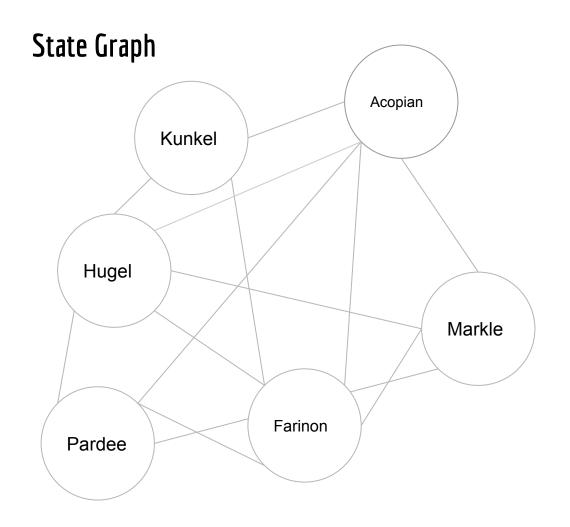
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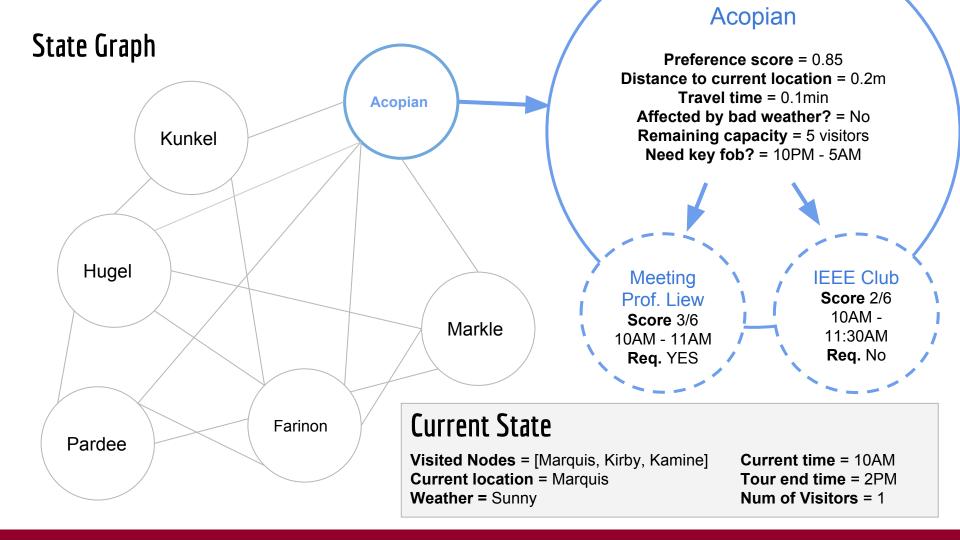
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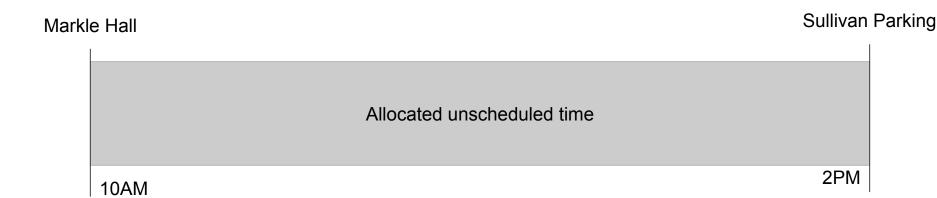




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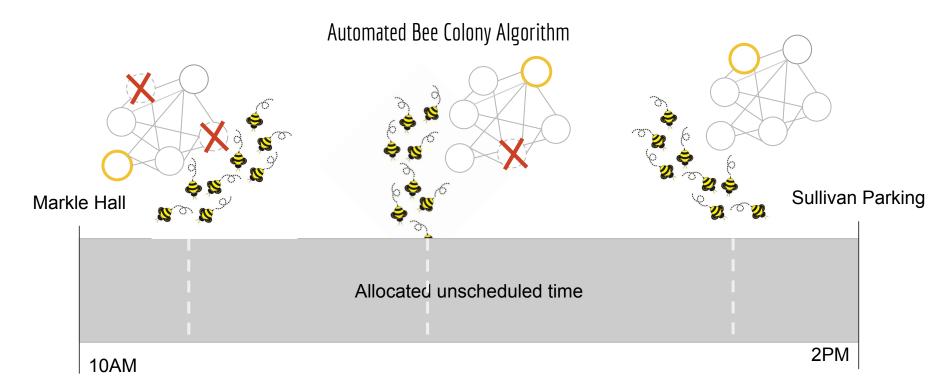
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Automated Bee Colony Algorithm



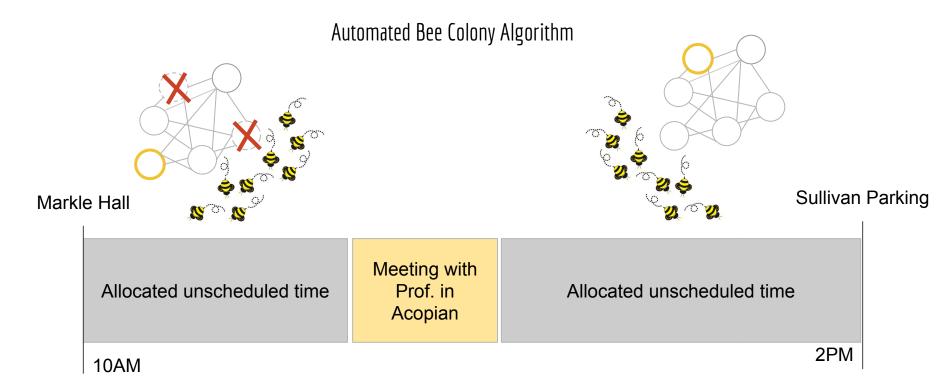
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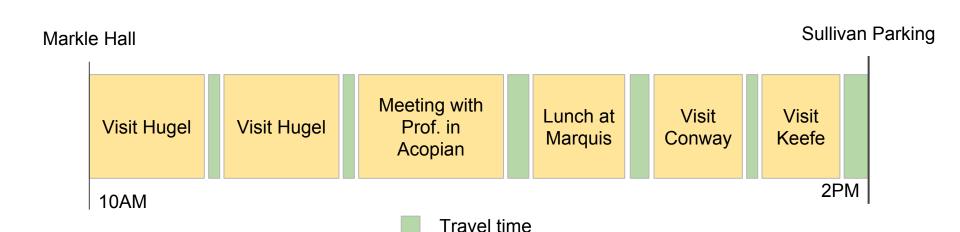


#### Goal test

 $(\forall t \in \mathsf{FREE}\text{-}\mathsf{TIME}: \mathsf{AVAILABLE}\text{-}\mathsf{NODES}(\mathsf{STATE}_t) = \emptyset) \ \lor \ (\mathsf{VISITED}\text{-}\mathsf{NODES} = \mathsf{V})$ 

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

Total tour interest score =  $\sum$ (event scores) - unallocated time



#### Future work

- Biases in training?
  - Users may "like" newer buildings that do not necessarily match preference
  - Groups of students that are more likely to "like" their buildings?
  - Could UI affect data? Example: Would people default to choosing the first tour?
- Privacy concerns?
  - Algorithm uses real-time location based data
- Expansion?
  - Neural nets are easily portable and scalable

# Questions?