# SmartSquare – Motion Paths Extraction

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# **Visualize and Analyze**

- · Input: Tracks with geographical coordinates
- Task: Visualize the tracks on maps, compute and visualize indicators on Dashboards, analyze tracks and regions
  - · The observed plaza has been divided into tiles

# Map to Real World

- · Input: Tracks over all frames resp. over time
  - · with pixel coordinates
- Task: Transform the pixel-coordinates from all detections and camera perspectives into geographical coordinates
- Thin plate splines (TPS) is a spline-based technique for data interpolation and smoothing
- Based on: "Principal Warps: Thin-Plate splines and the decomposition of deformations" from F.L. Bookstein in IEEE Transaction on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (Vol. 11, No. 6, June 1989)
- Counting, statistics and indicators: computed on basis of:
  - · Frequency over time
  - Exposure time per track, per tile and over time

· CityScopes: e

Change over time

### **Track Paths**

- · Input: Frames and its detections per frame
- Task: Associate the detections of former frames with the detections of later frames in order to generate tracks
  of pedestrians and vehicles movements over time
  - Amongst others we are using Deep SORT (<a href="https://github.com/nwoike/deep\_sort">https://github.com/nwoike/deep\_sort</a>)
     as Simple Online and Realtime Tracking algorithm utilizing a Deep Association Metric
    - Rudimentary combination of familiar techniques such as the Kalman Filter (state estimation) and Hungarian algorithm (data association) for the tracking components (SORT)
      - Extended to integrate appearance information based on a deep appearance descriptor (Deep SORT)
        - Multi-camera approach: Tracking results from all camera perspectives have to be merged by connecting its tracks (if pedestrians move from one camera perspective to another)
          - Multi-cameras are not used to observe the same scene from different perspectives but rather to observe a bigger space (means that cameras angles of view do not overlap much)

#### Transformation Approach:

**Step 1**: Transform images to georeferenced pointclouds (geoinformation-matrices) through landmark definition based on thin-plate splines warping

- a. Compute thin-plate splines
- b. Warping
- c. Save as geoinformation-matrix

Step 2: Transform the result of the detection algorithms (pixel-coordinates for each detection) to geographical coordinates via former generated (step 1) geoinformationmatrices

 geoinformation-matrices has to be generated for all camera perspectives · Find and track pattern in motion paths

· Analytics: Visualize tracks, statistics and indicators

· Load anonymized and geo-referenced trajectories

into our Data Analytics Pipeline (see our other

poster) to analyze and visualize motion paths over

- Provides diagrams, figures and maps
- Shows change over time









We do not track or save information or images about or from individuals! We do extract anonymized motion paths in order to explore the square ...

## **Detect Pedestrians**

- Input: Frames
  - Records from 6 different fixed camera perspectives (Offline approach; using records from 3 weeks, 3 recorded days each and around 5 hours of recorded HD videos per camera and day ~ around 270 hours of video recordings)
  - From 1 permanent mounted "intelligent camera" module (NVIDIA Jetson TX2 with FLIR camera) which does the detection job on-the-fly and just sends anonymized detection results (privacy-by-design) and features to a server where the tracking and mapping tasks can be performed server side and in real-time (bigger hardware)
- We are using Detectron (https://github.com/facebookresearch/Detectron) and its Mask R-CNN
  (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.06870) implementation for detection and segmentation as well as YOLOv3
  (https://pjreddie.com/darknet/yolo) and SSD (https://github.com/weiliu89/caffe/tree/ssd) within the
  "intelligent camera" module
- · Instant segmentation and masking enables instant anonymization (privacy-by-design)



