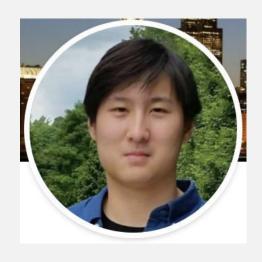
Modeling Mobility with GRU

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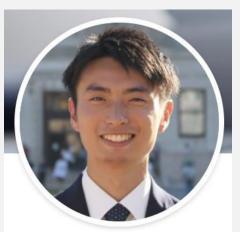
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How has COVID-19 affected the mobility of people across the globe?

- Impact of COVID-19 on Global Mobility Trends
- Mobility Prediction

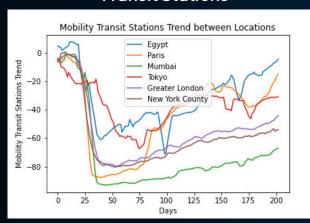


Mobility Trends in Major Locations

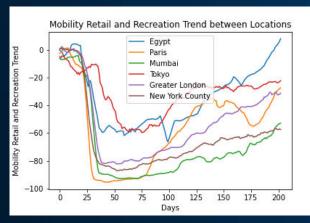


We focus on Egypt, France, India, Japan, United Kingdom, and USA, since they are major locations and have few missing values. It seems like some locations have similar trends, while others are quite different (confirmed in next slide)

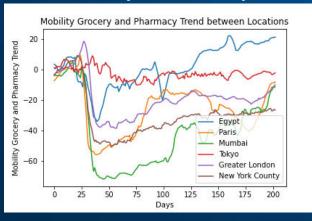
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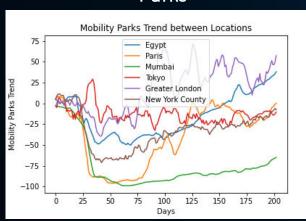
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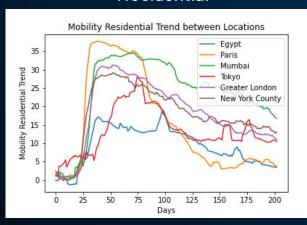
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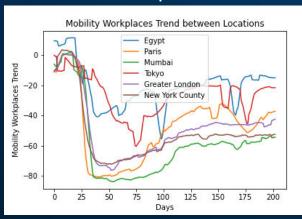
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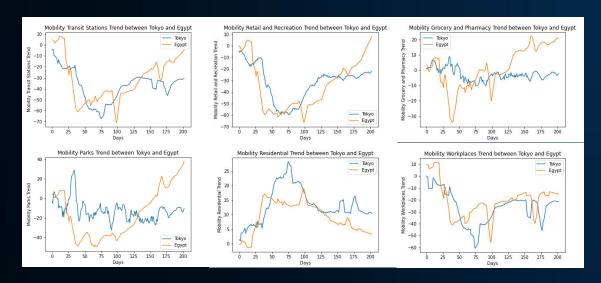


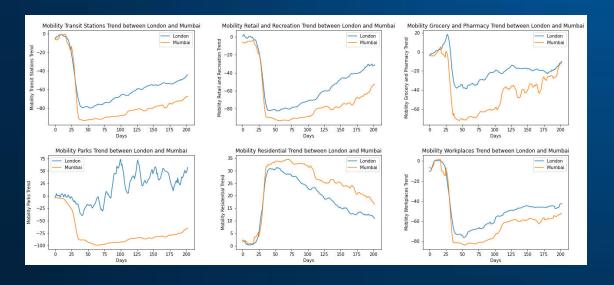
Similarity of Mobility Trends



We measure the similarity of time series using Dynamic Time Warping (DTW) w/squared Euclidean distance. DTW allows the comparison of multivariate time series.

(the below plots show each mobility trend comparison independently, but in reality mobility trends multivariate time series were compared)





Egypt and Tokyo Distance: 559.618

Most Similar Locations

London and Mumbai Distance: 1370.352

Least Similar Locations

Some locations do have relatively similar mobility trends.

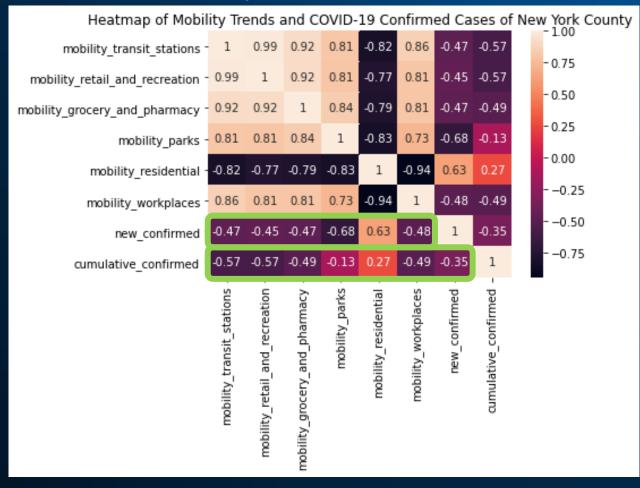
COVID-19 New Cases and Mobility Trends



New confirmed COVID-19 cases may have negatively impacted all mobility, except for residential mobility.

(Other locations do have weaker correlation, but COVID-19 cases still seem to affect mobility)

Ex. New York County





Key Findings

- ➤ Some locations have similar mobility trends
- = mobility trends in some locations could help in predicting mobility trends in other locations
- ➤ COVID-19 cases seem to affect mobility trends in certain locations
- = COVID-19 cases could help in predicting mobility trends



We attempt to validate these findings through modeling mobility





- Early detection of mobility increases and decreases allow more time for transportation systems and businesses to be prepared
- > Allows preventive actions to be taken beforehand to reduce COVID-19 outbreaks

Our Approach



We attempt to predict the 6 mobility trends using a multivariate GRU.

Input of GRU:

- past 50 days of mobility trends
- past 50 days of COVID-19 cases
- past 50 days of weather data
- past 50 days of policy data

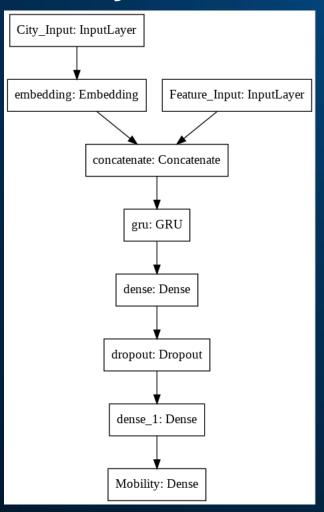
Output of GRU:

- 6 mobility trends of the following day

Train Data Period: 2020/2/15 to 2020/7/31 Validation Data Period: 2020/8/1 to 2020/8/10 Test Data Period: 2020/8/11 to 2020/9/10 (Please check Appendix for details)

We use the COVID-19 Open Data and COVID-19 Government Response Data from BigQuery.

(COVID-19 Google Mobility Data was included in the COVID-19 Open Data)





Random samples of our results





Conclusion and Discussion



- ➤ We found a possible relationship between COVID-19 and mobility trends, and were able to forecast mobility by building an accurate GRU model
 - -> Validates our earlier findings/hypothesis about how COVID-19 affects mobility
- Our model may have been able to capture similarities between countries within the hidden layers
- ➤ We used only 6 major locations for analysis and modeling, so there is still much room for improvement in both aspects



Thank you!



Appendix

Similarity of Mobility Trends time series between Major Locations (DTW w/squared Euclidean)



| | Egypt | Paris | Mumbai | Tokyo | London | New York |
|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Egypt | 0 | 749.433 | 1126.082 | 559.618 | 983.372 | 806.360 |
| Paris | 749.433 | 0 | 791.410 | 729.578 | 889.969 | 606.208 |
| Mumbai | 1126.082 | 791.410 | 0 | 1062.144 | 1370.352 | 650.711 |
| Tokyo | 559.618 | 729.578 | 1062.144 | 0 | 812.099 | 730.503 |
| London | 983.372 | 889.969 | 1370.352 | 812.099 | 0 | 740.210 |
| New York | 806.360 | 606.208 | 650.711 | 730.503 | 740.210 | 0 |

Similarity of COVID-19 New Cases time series between Major Locations (DTW w/squared Euclidean)



| | Egypt | Paris | Mumbai | Tokyo | London | New York |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Egypt | 0 | 4545.993 | 6588.306 | 6541.919 | 2931.451 | 4369.360 |
| Paris | 4545.993 | 0 | 6226.918 | 1328.405 | 1568.469 | 1805.624 |
| Mumbai | 6588.306 | 6226.918 | 0 | 9887.494 | 8016.171 | 9878.802 |
| Tokyo | 6541.919 | 1328.405 | 9887.494 | 0 | 1781.535 | 1079.542 |
| London | 2931.451 | 1568.469 | 8016.171 | 1781.535 | 0 | 1341.394 |
| New York | 4369.360 | 1805.624 | 9878.802 | 1079.542 | 1341.394 | 0 |

Other COVID-19 New Cases and Mobility Trends



