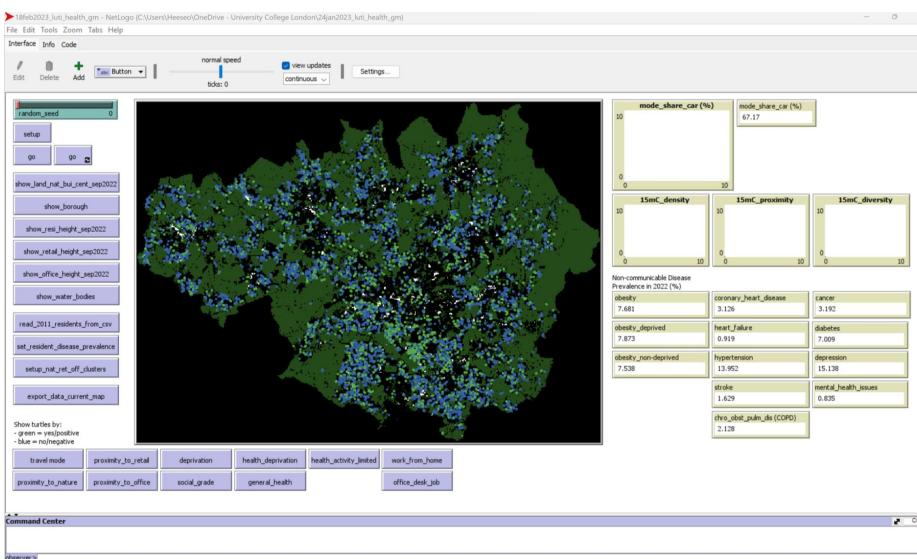
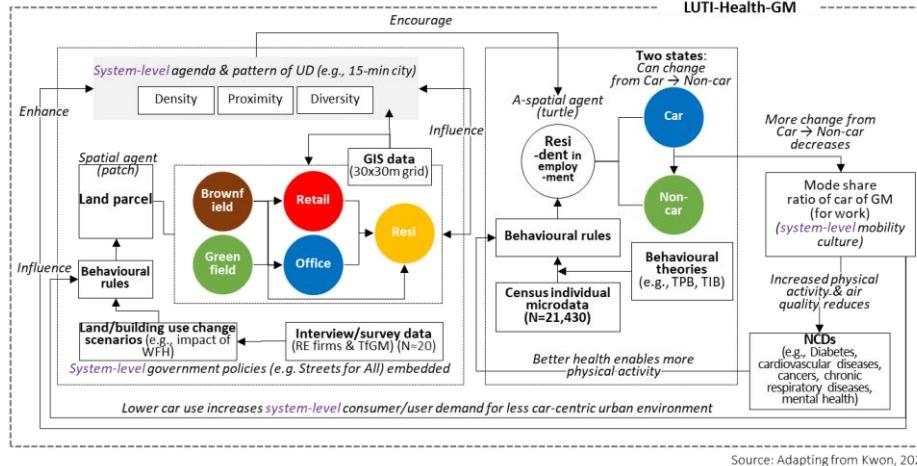


Lecture 4:

Using ABM and behavioural theories for land use-transport interaction (LUTI) simulation:
Healthier urban development and healthier travel behaviour



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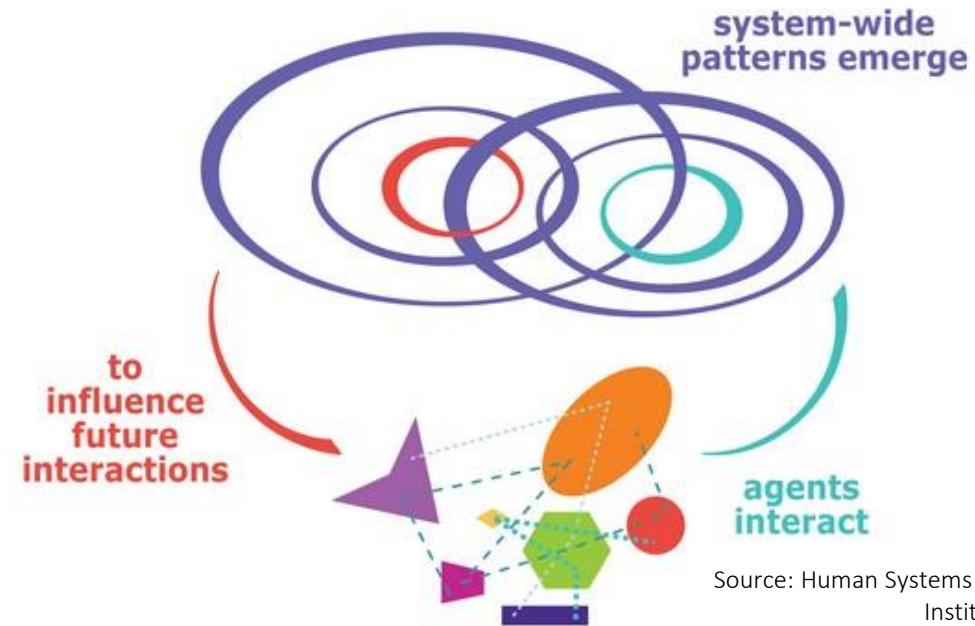
Note: Slides are based on Kwon's PhD research at Cambridge at postdoc research conducted as part of a UKPRP network-funded project.

Applying complexity theory in urban planning to inform policies for positive behavioural change



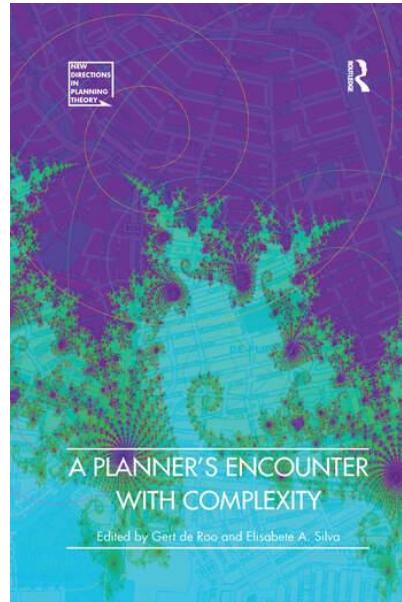
Modelling of individual agent behaviours and their interactions
in feedback loops with system-level behaviour

— Complex Adaptive System (CAS) —

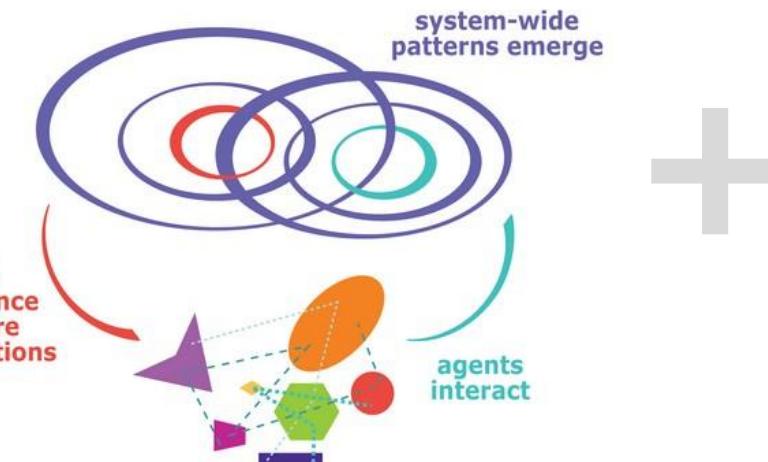


Source: Human Systems Dynamics
Institute, 2016

Establishing a robust theoretical framework is very important for modellers



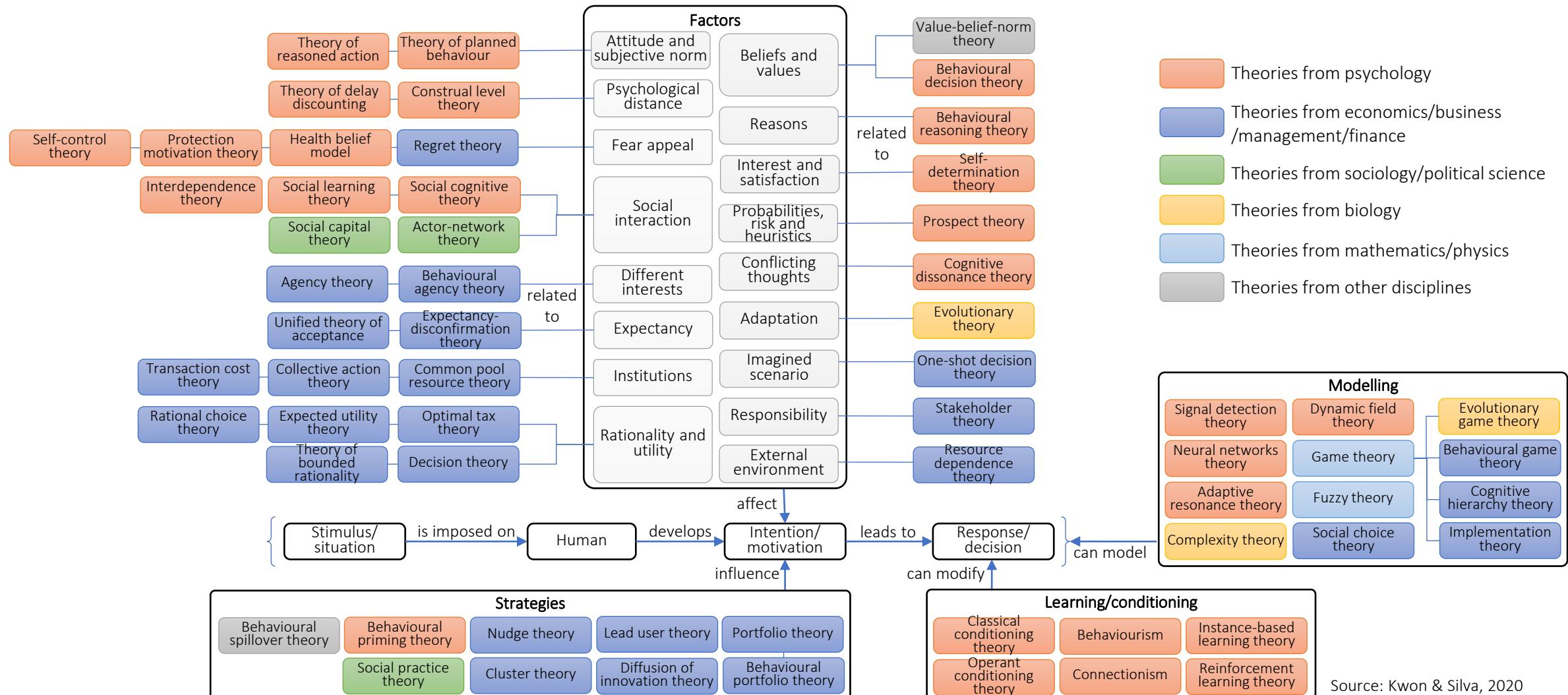
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Relevant theories in the discipline

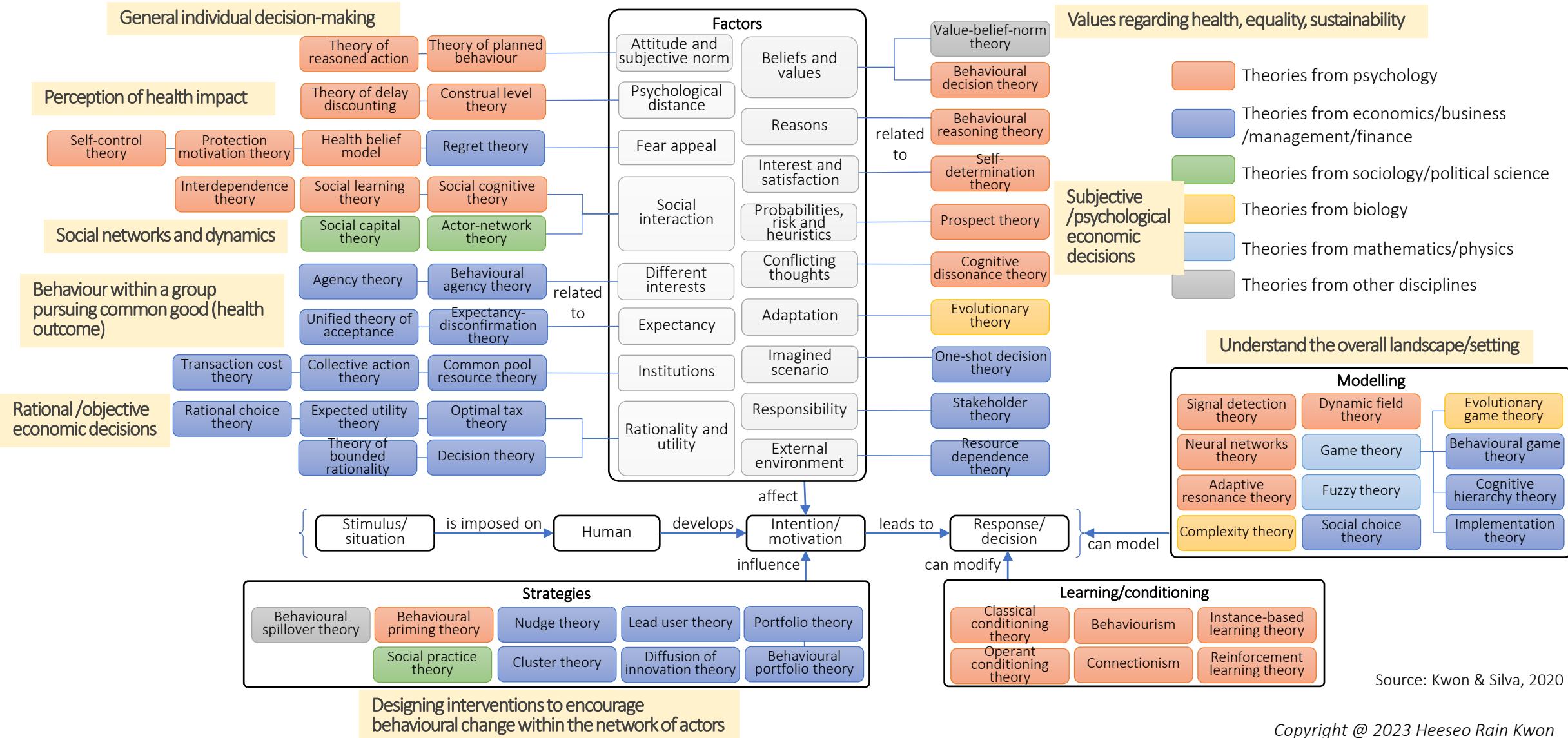
Relevant social and behavioural theories
(from psychology, sociology, economics...)

Kwon & Silva (2020) Mapping the Landscape of Behavioural Theories: Systematic Literature Review, *Journal of Planning Lit.*



These theories can help explain individual actor behaviour, group behaviour, dynamics within a group/system. Different theories can be especially appropriate for different types of behaviour of different types of agents. Examples given in yellow boxes.

“Mapping the Landscape of Behavioural Theories: Systematic Literature Review” (Kwon & Silva, 2020)



Article



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Abstract

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Keywords

behavioral theories, behavioral science, data-driven research, theory-driven research, agent-based modeling, urban and environmental planning, data science, complexity theory

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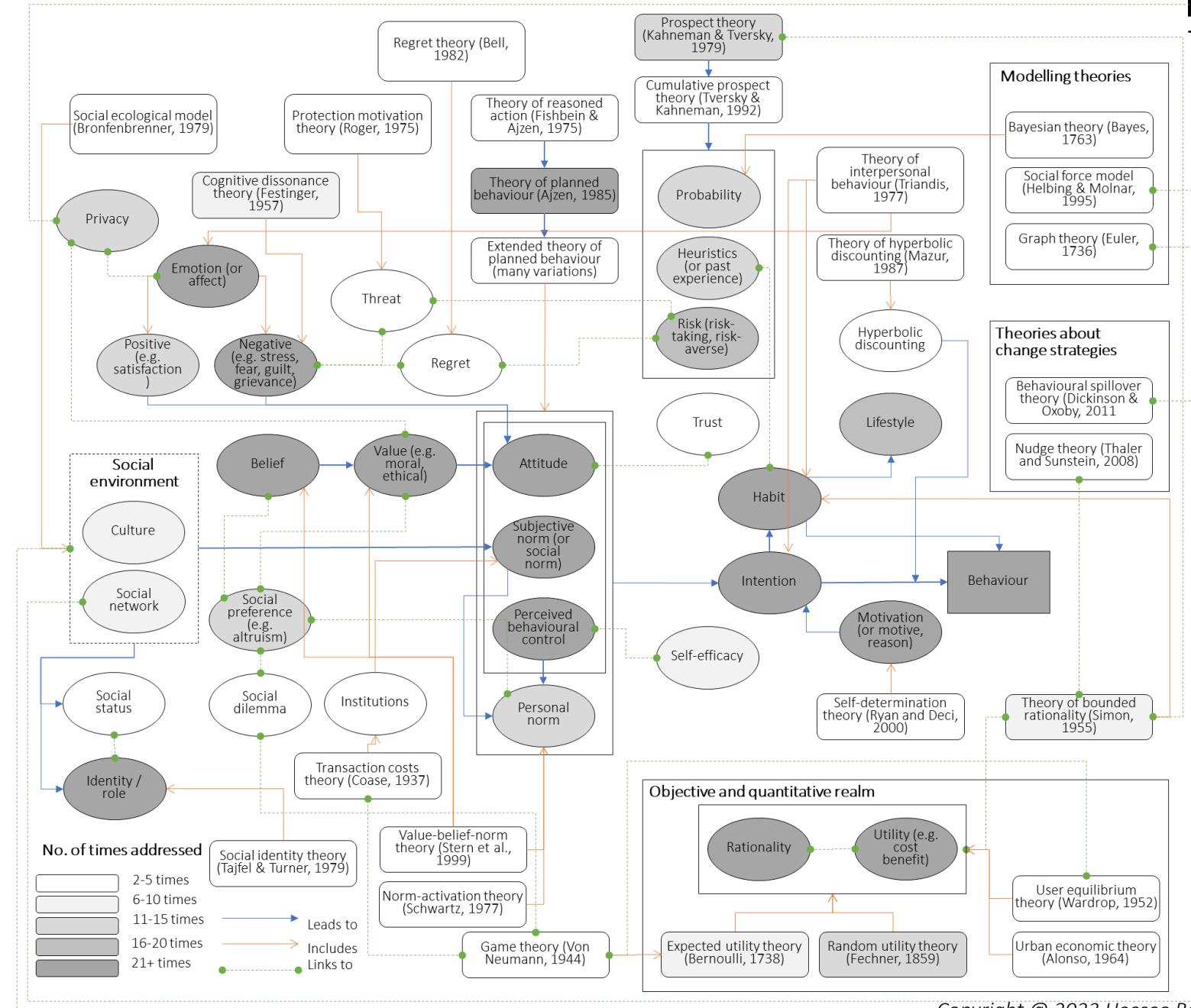
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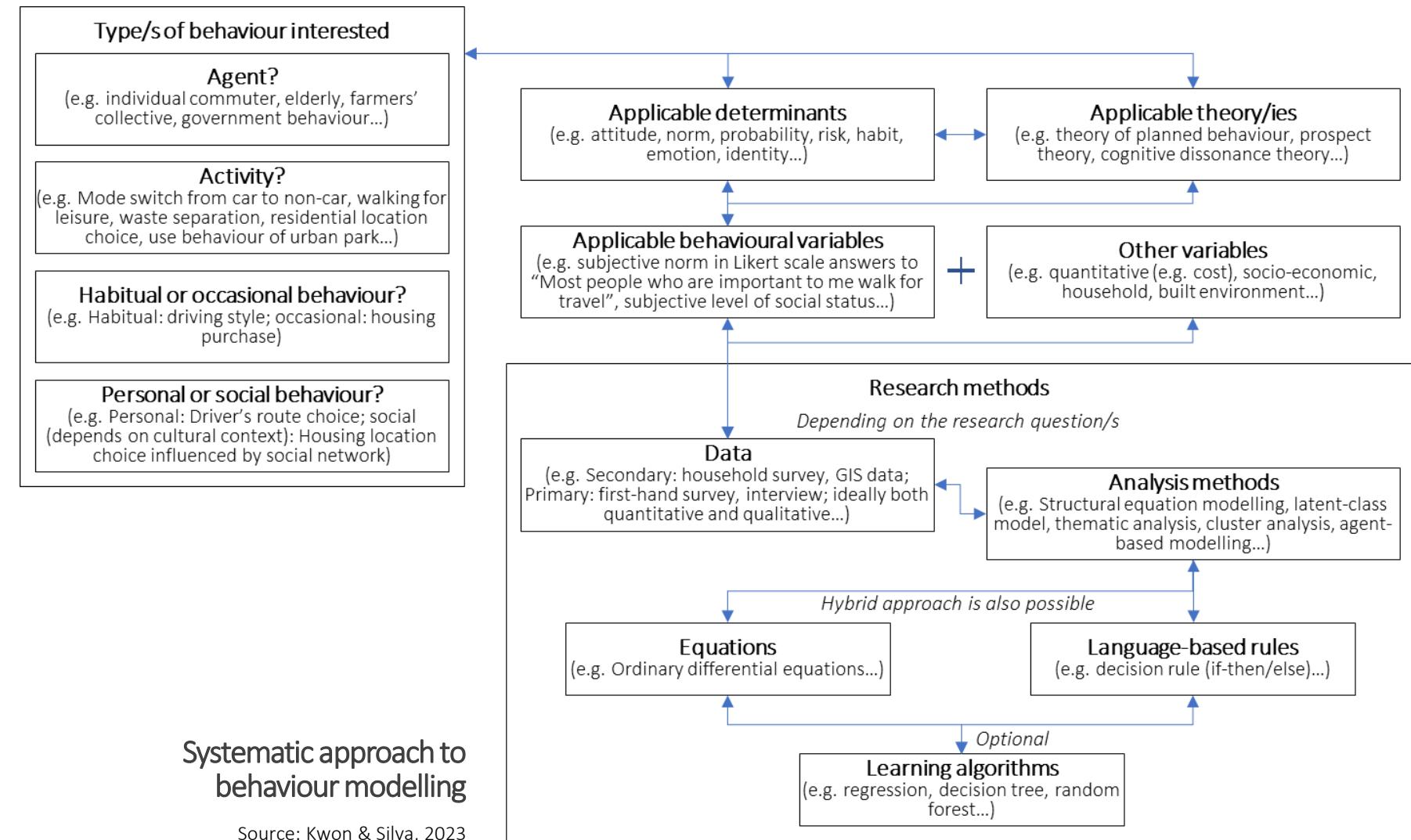
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Flow chart of behavioural theories and determinants used in planning-related fields

Source: Kwon & Silva, 2023



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Original Article (literature review or lit review with annotated bibliography)



Matching Behavioral Theories and Rules with Research Methods in Spatial Planning-Related Fields

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Keywords

behavioral theories and rules, behavioral sciences, research methods, quantitative-qualitative analysis, dynamic simulation, agent-based modeling, equation-based and language-based computation and models, space and time interaction models, coding, urban and environmental planning

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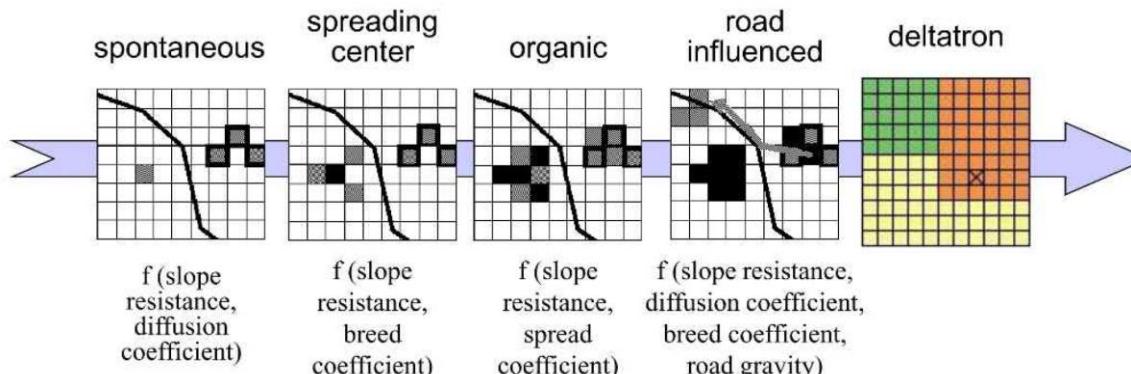
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Cellular Automata (CA) and Agent-Based Modelling (ABM): Different Strengths

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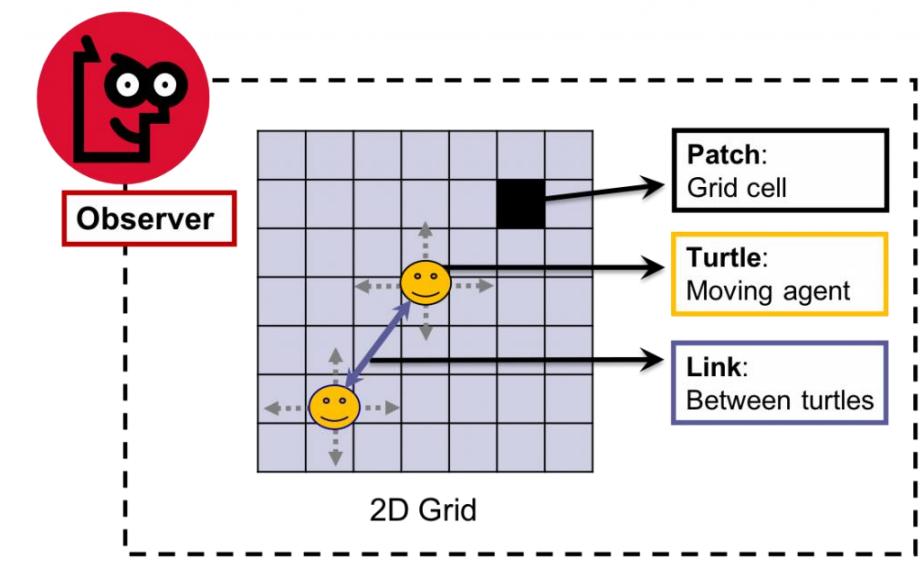
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Source: Clarke., 2019

Agent-Based Model (e.g. on NetLogo platform)

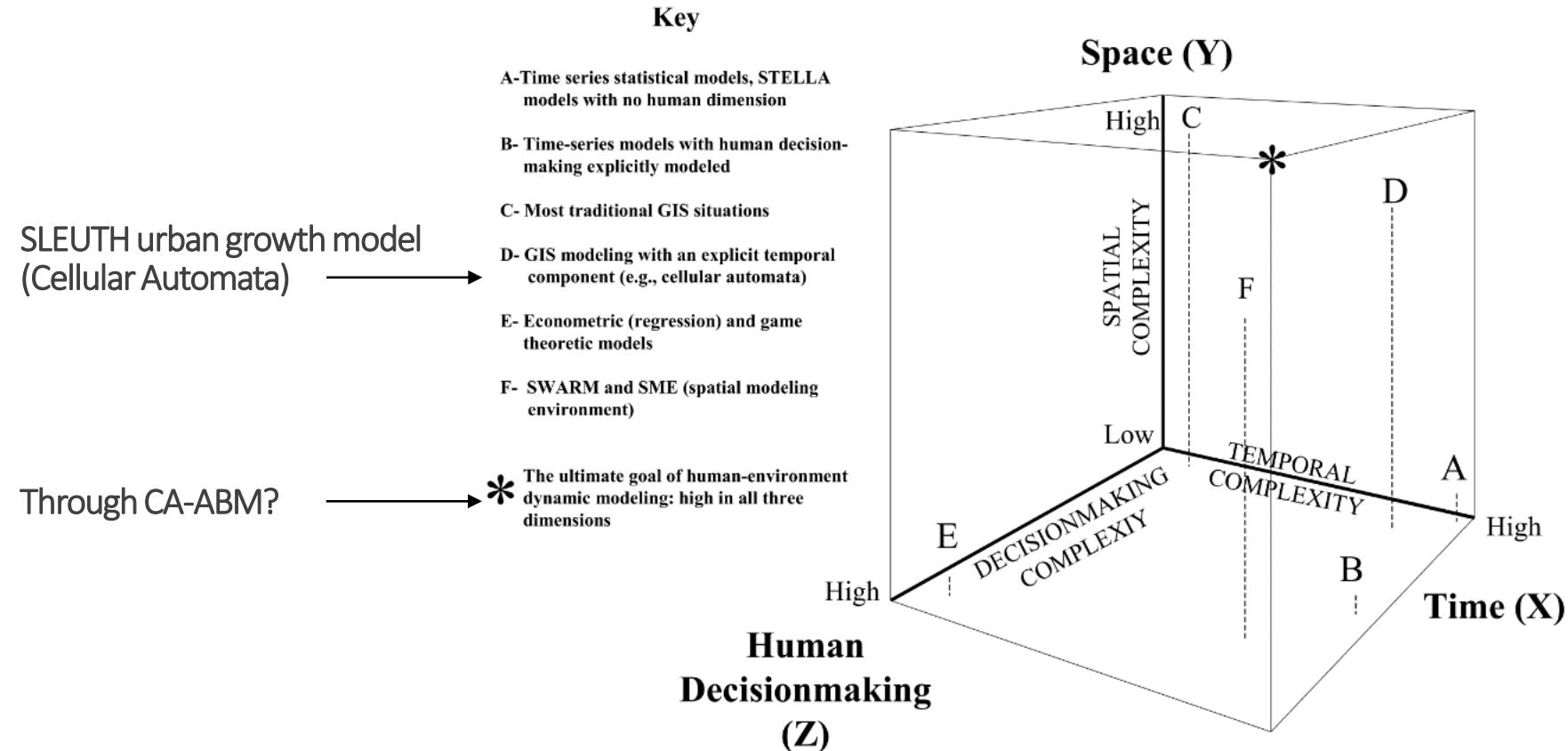
Particular strength in simulating human decision-making dynamics and interaction with the environment



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Hybrid CA-ABM models

Three dimensions of human-environment dynamic modelling

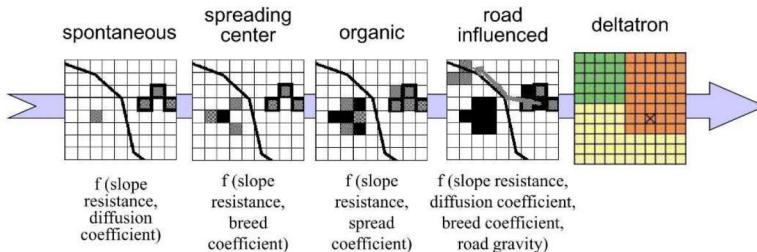


Source: Agarwal et al. 2002, p.7;
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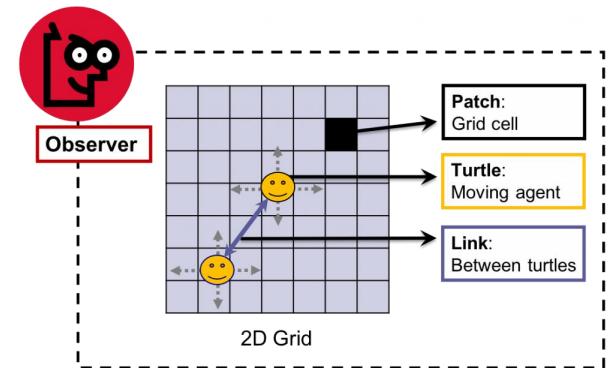
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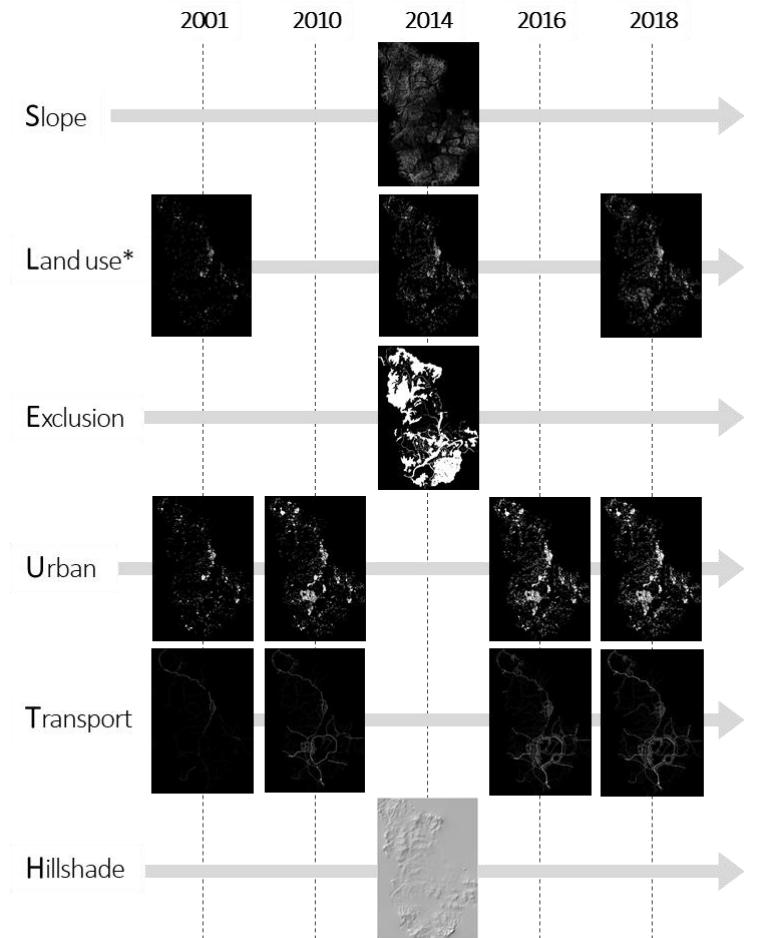


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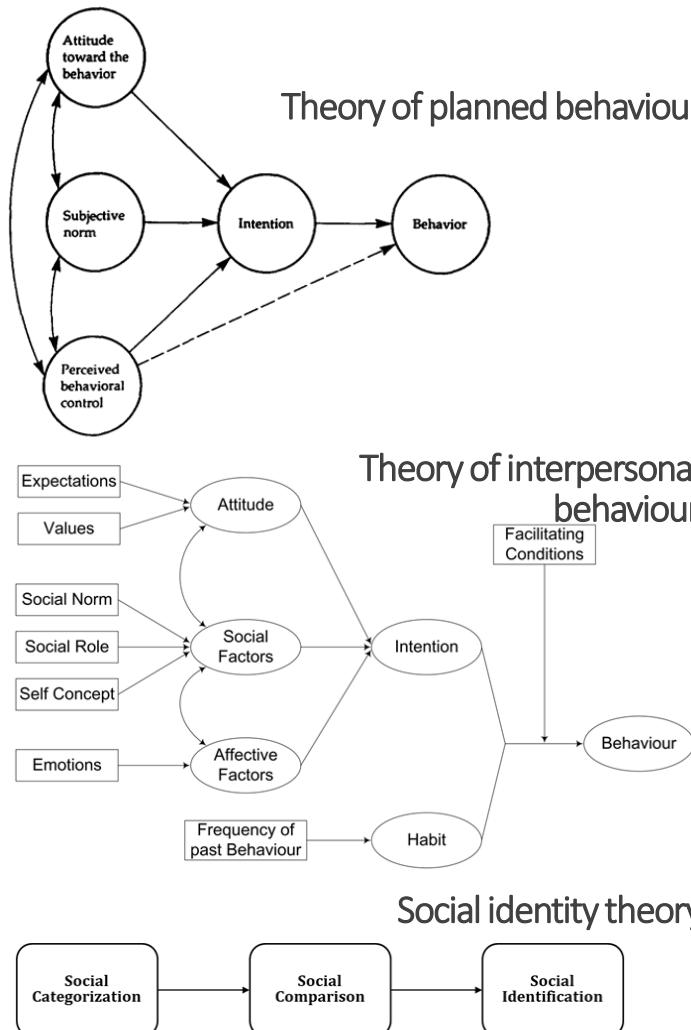
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Input layers of NL-SLEUTH-LUTI (30*30m raster)

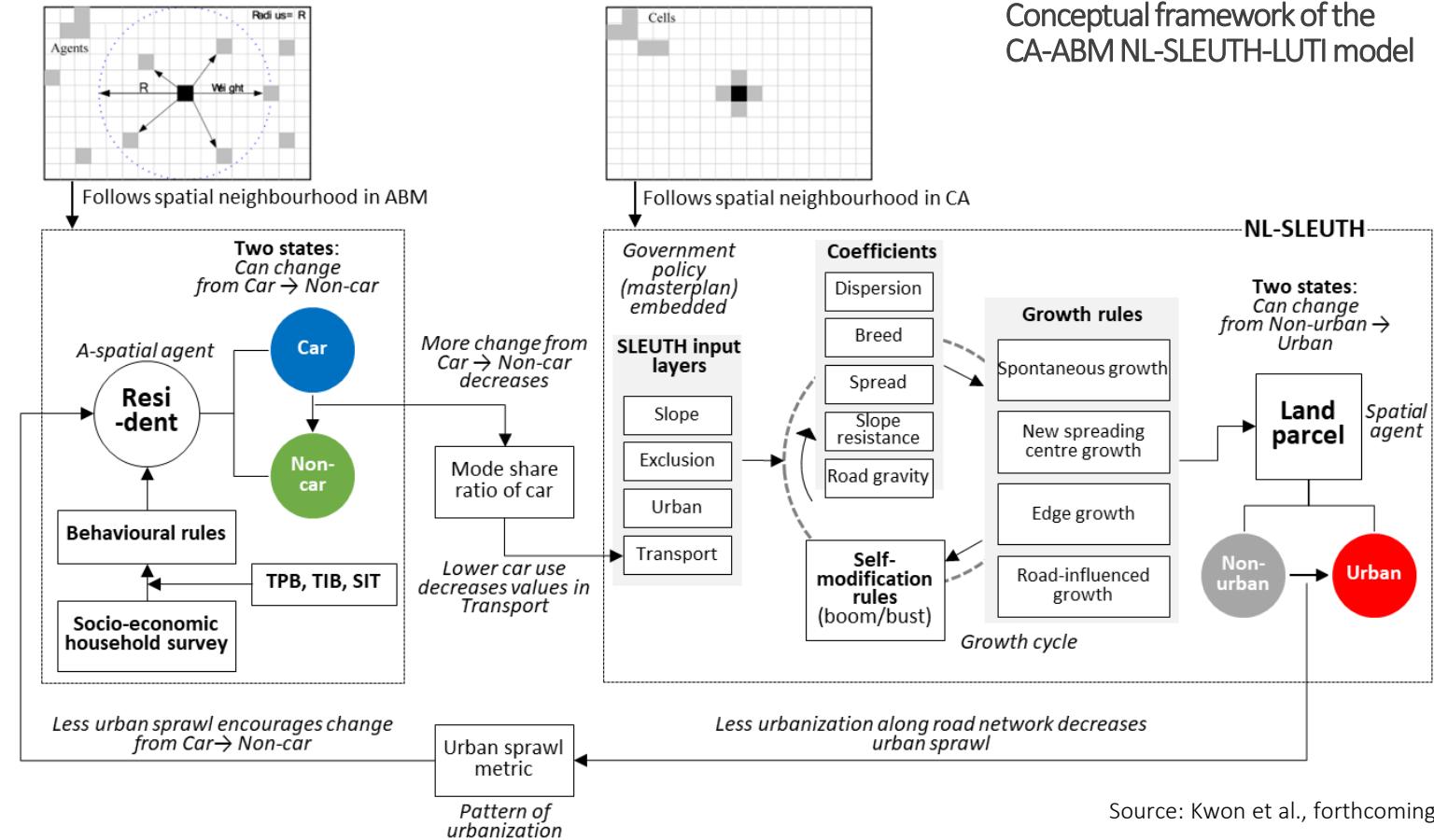


Note: Land use maps are not included in SLEUTH because the model concerns non-urban → urban only. Instead, building use is used to calculate "mixed-use" as a variable for resident behaviour.

Kwon et al. (Forthcoming b) Implementing SLEUTH on NetLogo and Adding an A-spatial Layer based on Survey Data



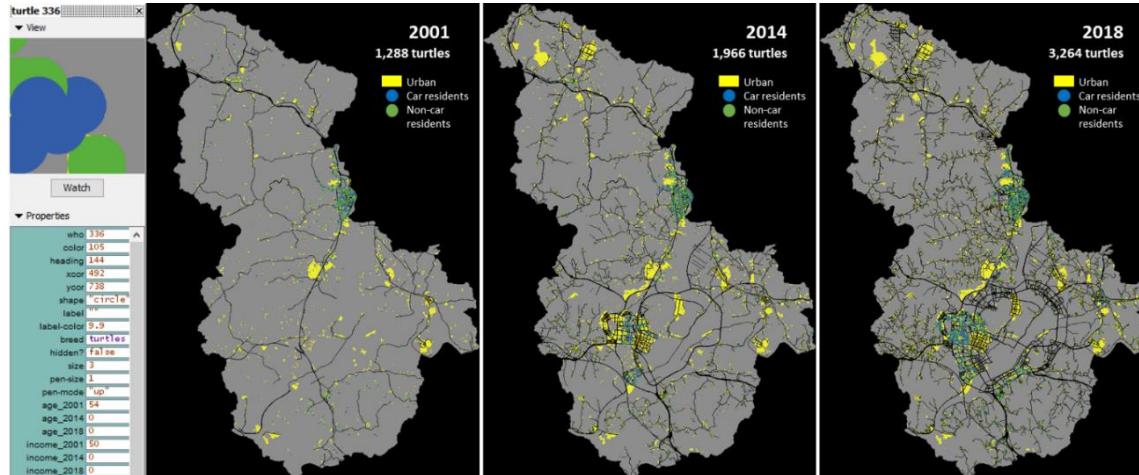
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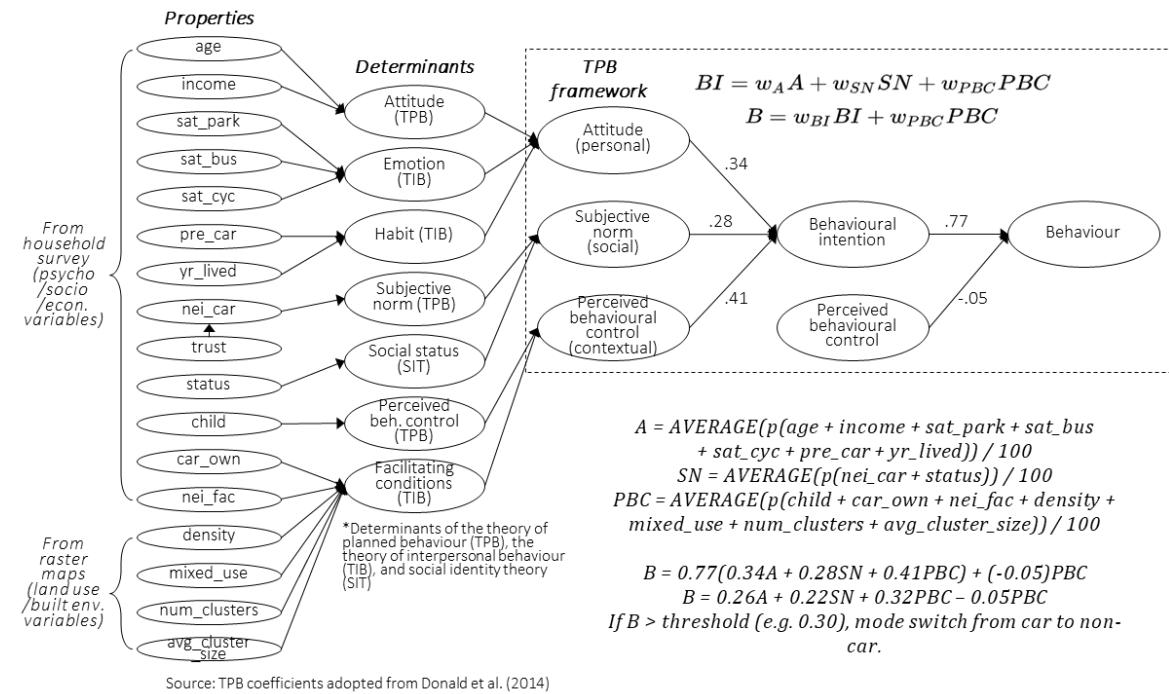
Turtles (residents) placed on the residential patches in corresponding districts



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2	1	11	0	55	22	0	0	100	50	37.51	51.3	3	100	40	0	0	70
3	2	11	0	55	23	14.29	0	75	0	4.1	46.1	5	75	40	0	0	100
4	3	11	0	55	23	0	0	50	0	0	22.4	0	75	40	0	0	5
5	4	11	0	55	19	0	0	75	50	54.83	55.2	1	50	40	0	0	35
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10	9	11	0	55	24	28.57	0	100	0	37.51	51.3	5	75	60	0	0	30
11	10	11	0	55	24	0	0	50	0	4.1	46.1	5	50	0	0	0	30

CSV file of 2018 resident characteristics from household survey (N=3,264)

Calculating individual resident turtle's probability to switch to non-car

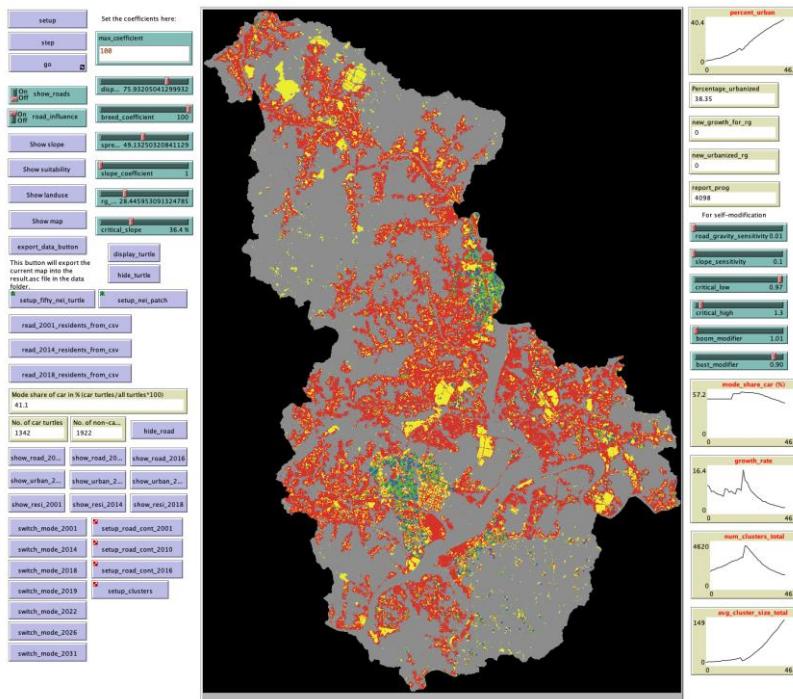


Example: nei_car (car dependency of neighbours)

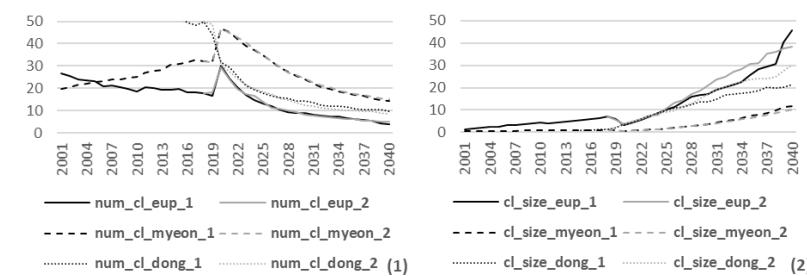
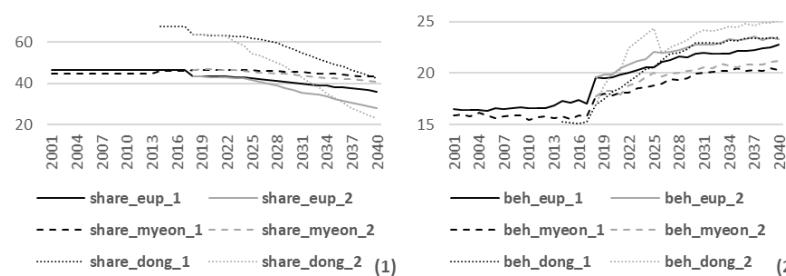
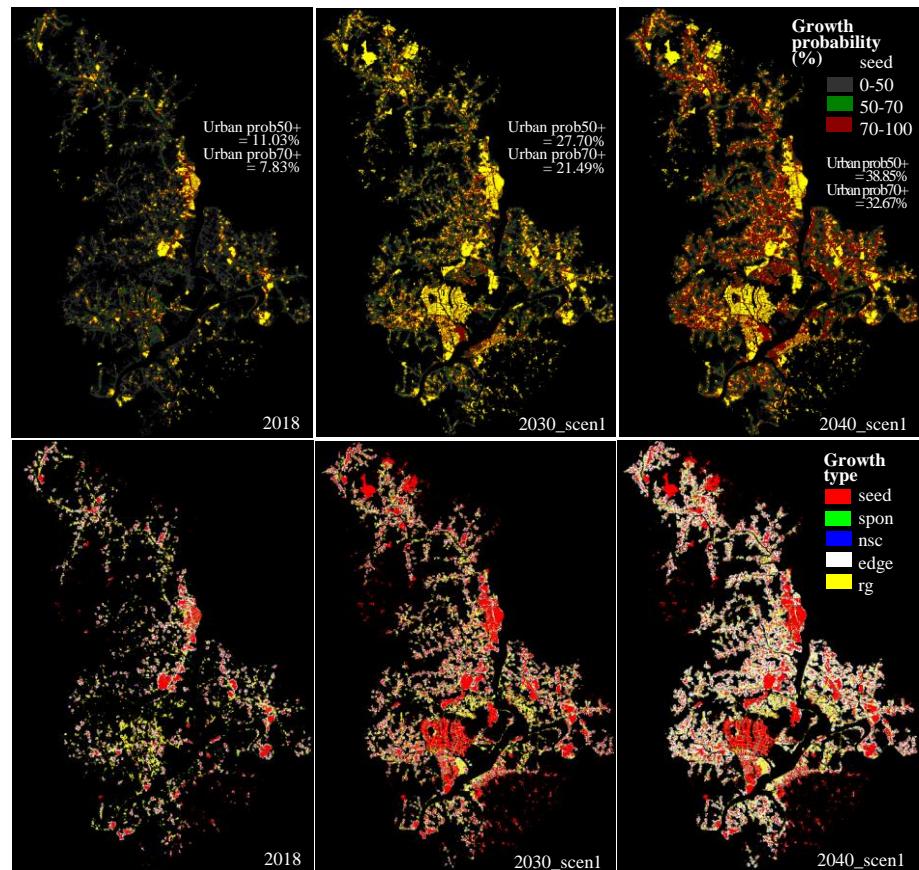
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set fifty_nei min-n-of 50 turtles [distance myself]
set nei_car count fifty_nei with [color = blue ]*2
set p_trust random_float trust
set p_nei_car random-float (100-nei_car) * (p_trust*2)/100
ask turtles with [p_nei_car > 100] [set p_nei_car 100]
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Kwon et al. (Forthcoming c) Extending SLEUTH into a CA/ABM-based Land Use-Transport Interaction Model with Behavioral Theories and Rules

NL-SLEUTH-LUTI at tick 40 (NetLogo interface)



Map of urban parcels by growth probability and growth rule (2018, 2030, 2040)



Mode_share_car, behavior score, num_clusters, and avg_cluster_size in Scenario 1 & 2

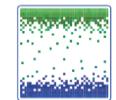
Urban development, health and health equity



Source: ISGlobal, 2021

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Part of the Greater Manchester
Transport Strategy 2040



PHASE
Population Health
Agent-based Simulation
network



UKPRP Prevention
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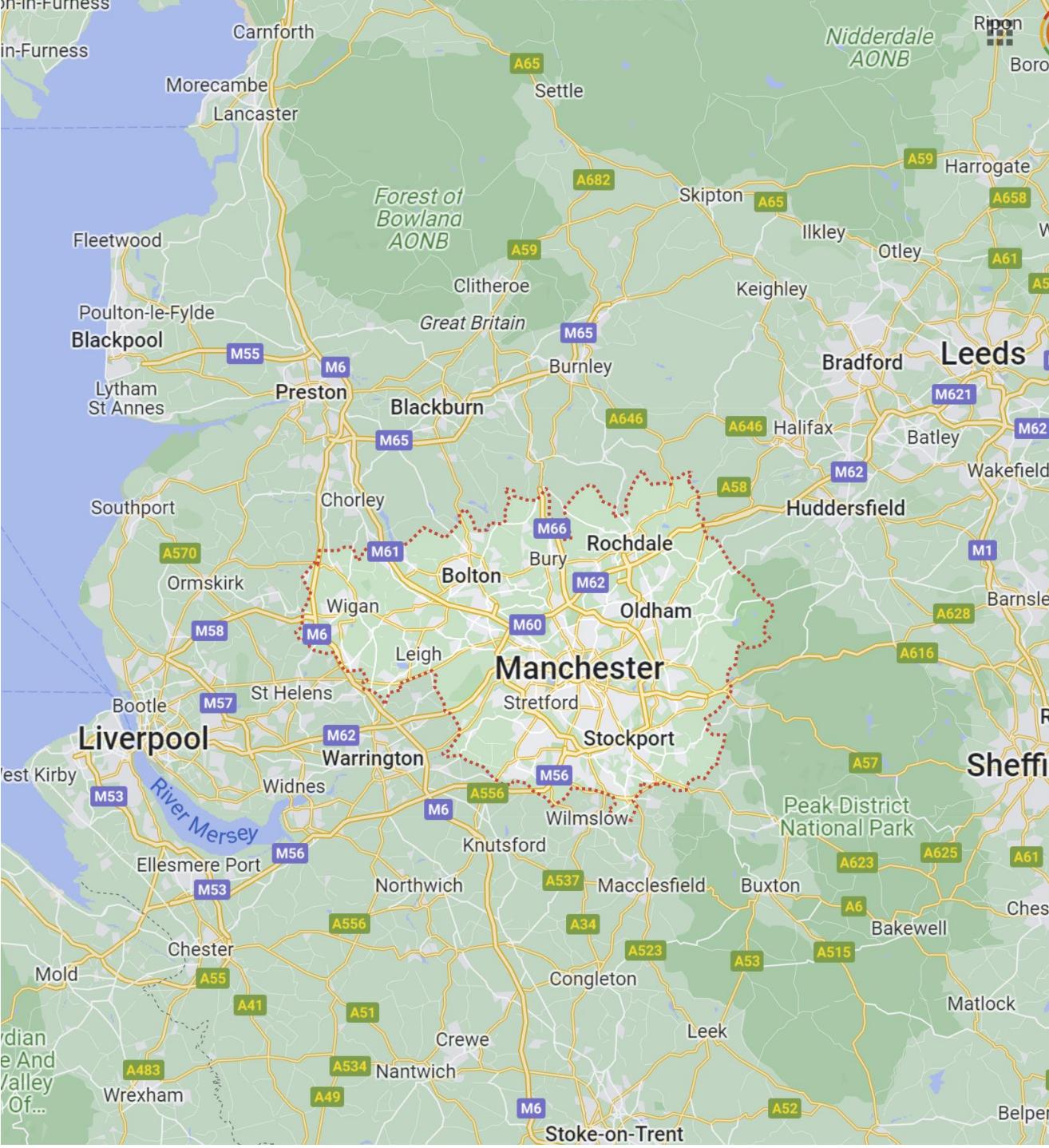
Healthier Urban Development and Healthier Travel Behaviour: Case study of Greater Manchester



Source: Greater Manchester, 2021



Source: Nilfanion, 2010



Greater Manchester

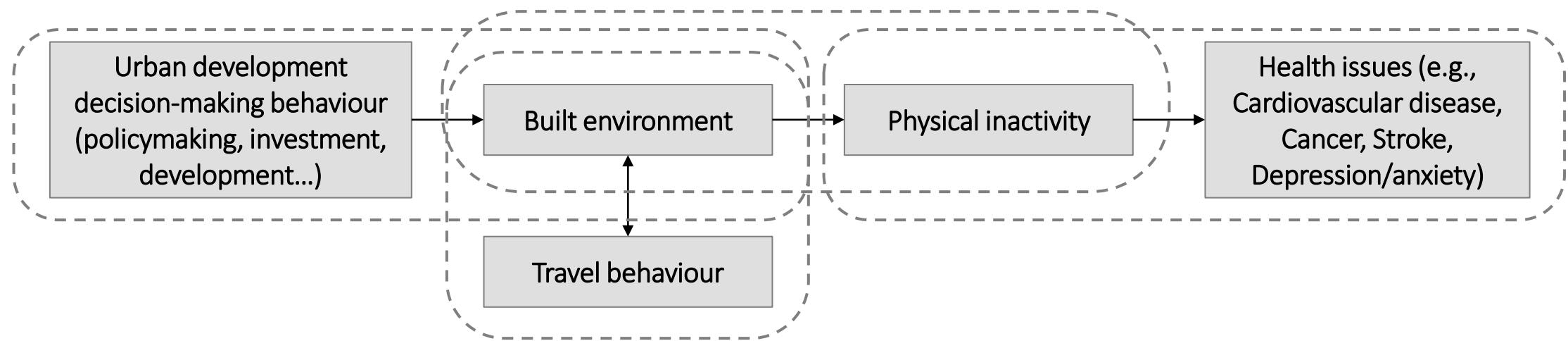
- Area: 1,276km²
- Population (2021): 2,812,569
- Composed of ten districts

Two most relevant government bodies for this study:

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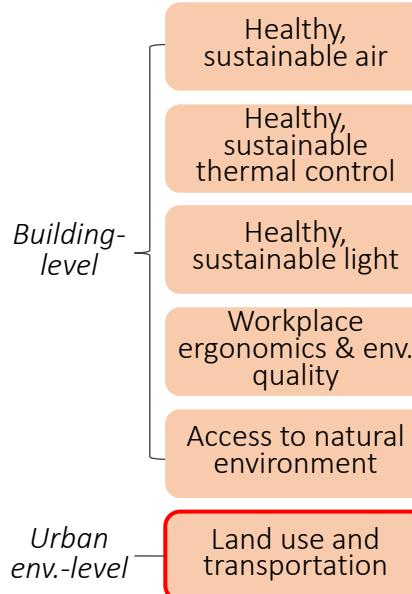
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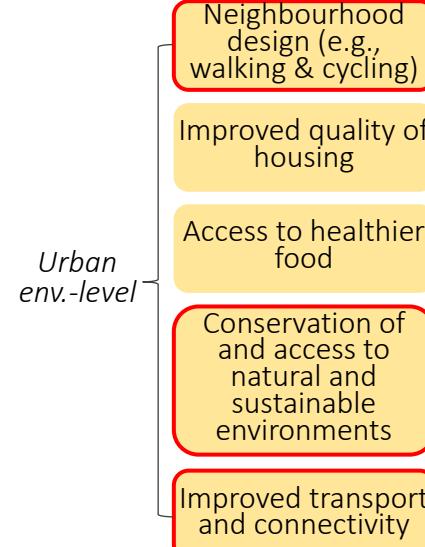
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Research scope

Healthy building design



Healthy placemaking



Source: Loftness et al., 2007

Source: Public Health England, 2017

Healthier urban development

- Metrics based on the **15-Minute City** framework
- Focusing on the **urban land use change** (e.g., resi, office, retail) and residents' access to essential functions
- Based on the **development decision-makers' urban land use change scenarios** (focusing on the implications of **working from home**)

Likely to encourage active mode of transport

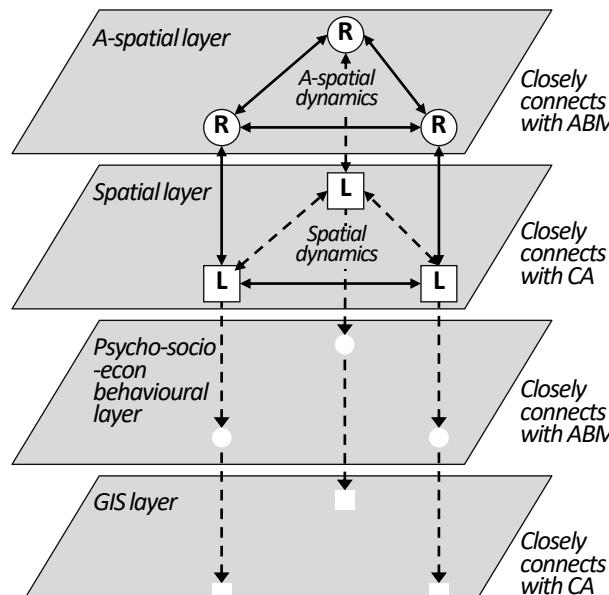
Healthier travel behaviour

- Metrics based on the residents' **method of travel to work** based on the Census individual microdata
- Focusing on residents' **car to non-car mode switch (active mobility)**
- Likelihood of behavioural change based on various **psychological and socioeconomic factors**

Likely to demand less car-centric urban env.

ABM for healthier urban development and healthier travel behaviour

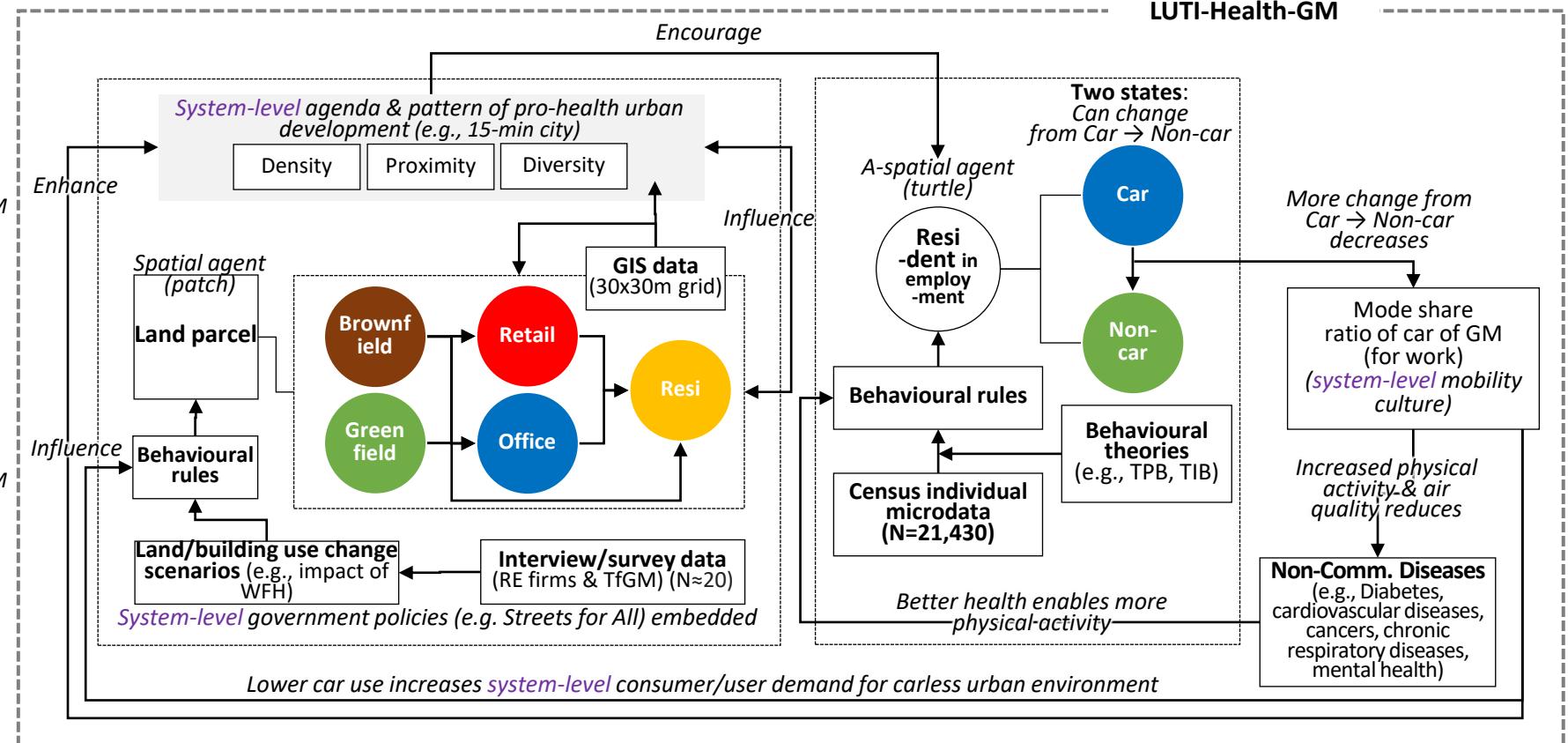
Interaction among layers



Note: ABM can include CA

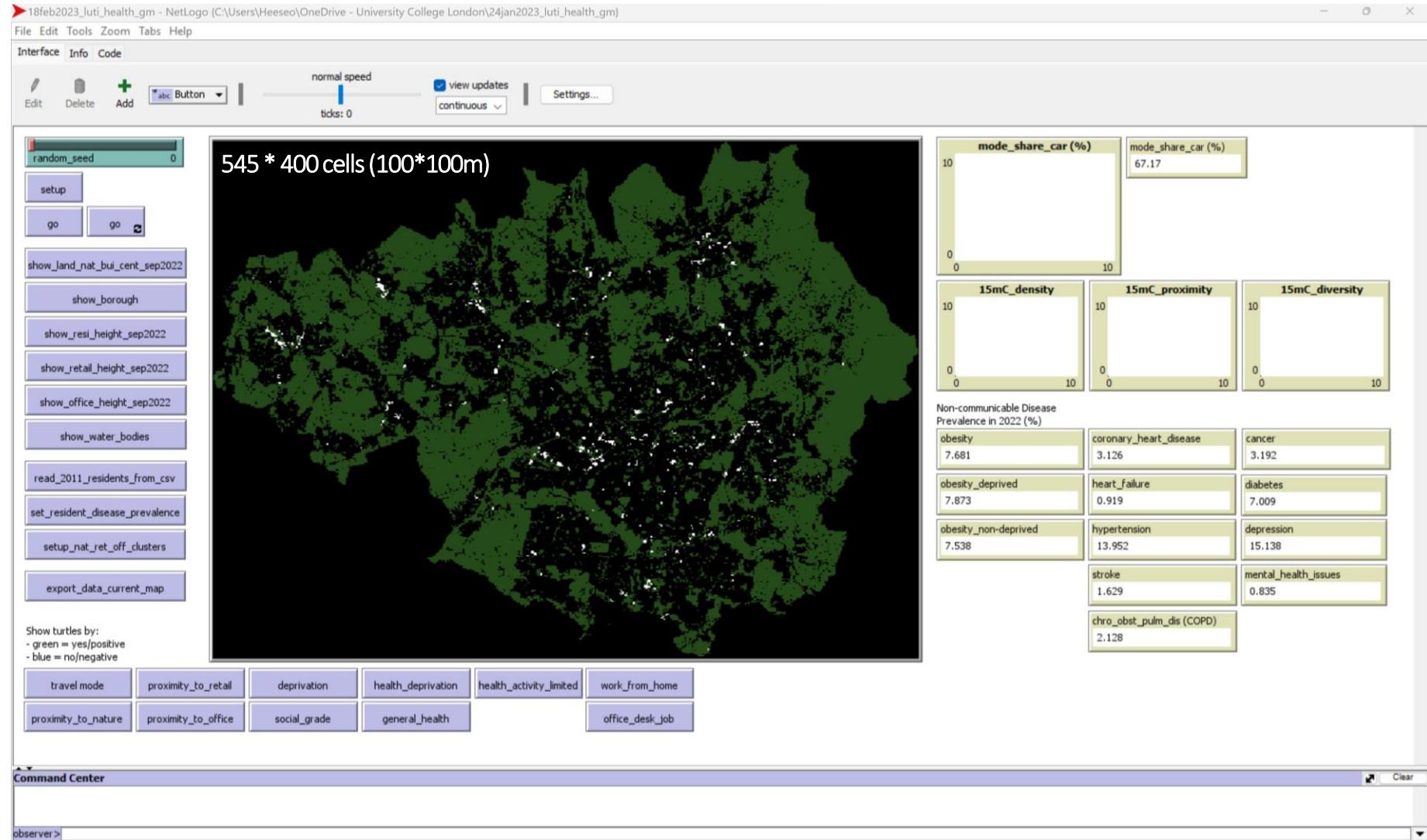
Adapted from Wu and Silva (2014)

Conceptual framework



Source: Adapting from Kwon, 2020

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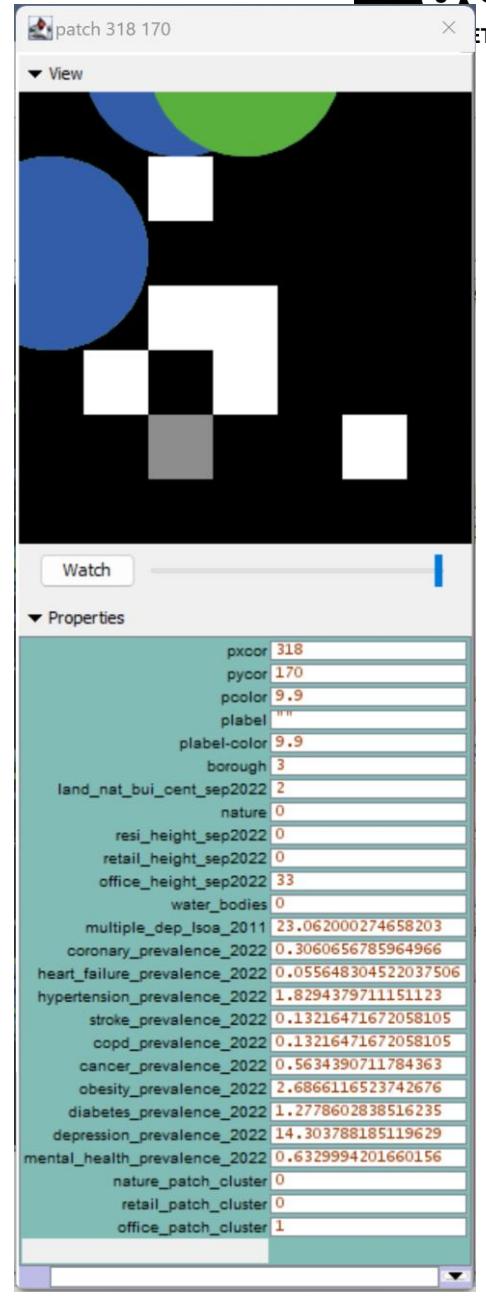


Nature

Built

Urban centre

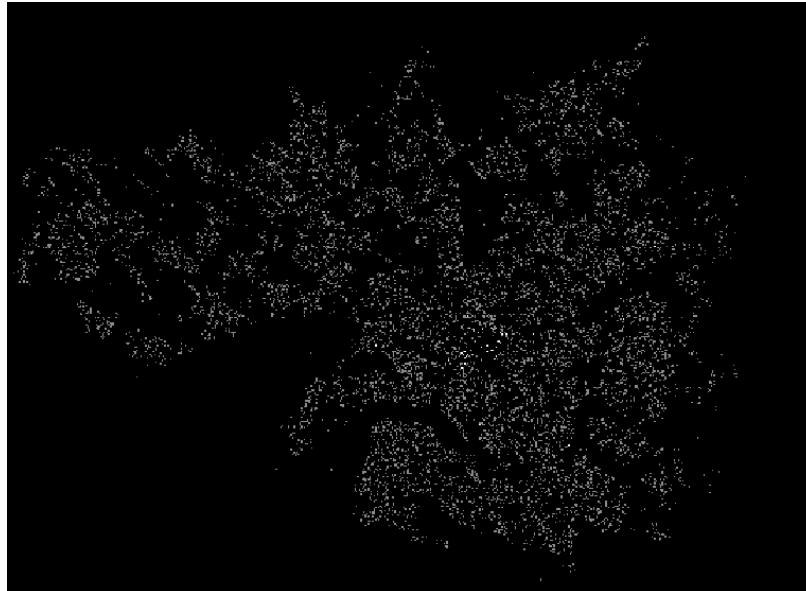
Data: UKLand_Sep2022 (57,269 features). Gets updated once a year since Oct 2020.



Spatial input data

Building use maps by building height

Data: UKBuildings_Sep2022 (1,467,143 features). Gets updated 3 times a year since Feb 2020.



- Low
- High

General commercial mixed use (25% resi)
Residential with retail on ground floor (80% resi)
Residential only (100% resi)



- Low
- High

General commercial mixed use (25% retail)
Retail with office/residential above (80% retail)
Retail only (100% retail)



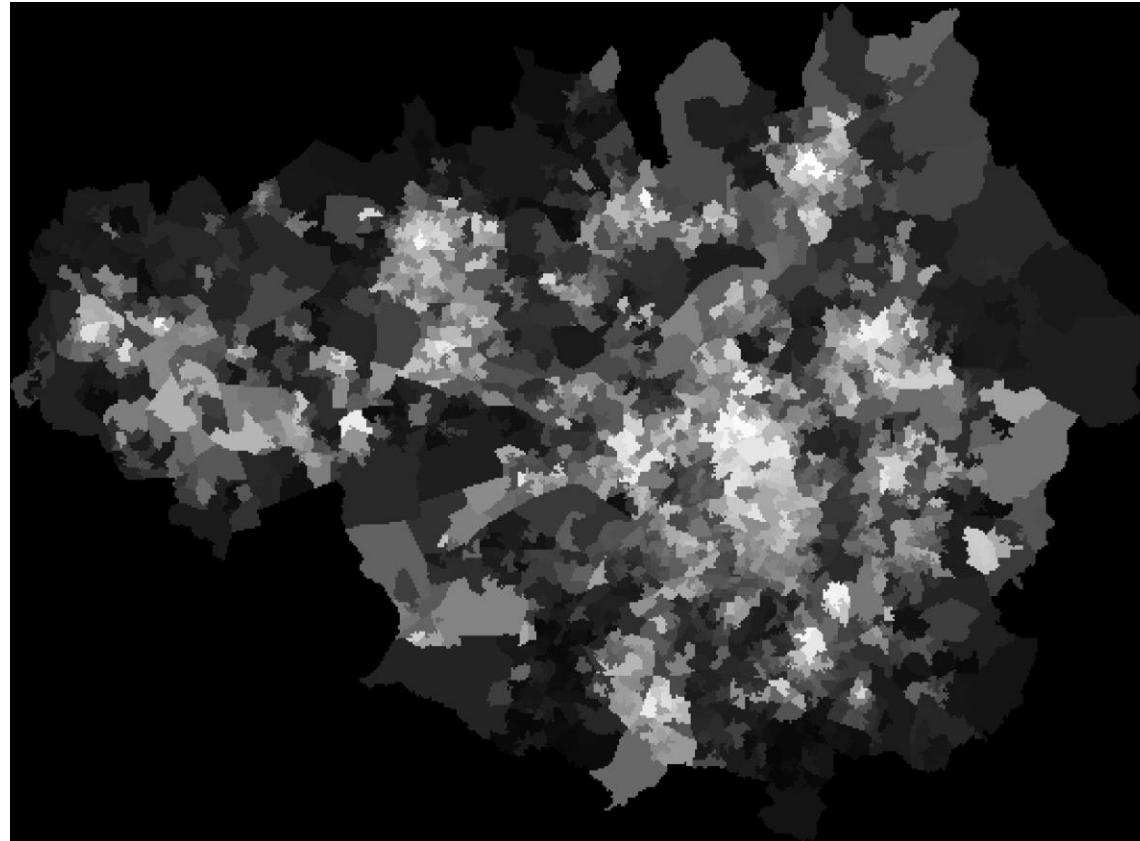
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- High

General commercial mixed use (25% office)
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Office only (100% office)

Spatial input data

Multiple deprivation by lower super output area (LSOA)

Data: English Indices of Deprivation 2019



Spatial input data

Disease prevalence by GP practice

Data: NHS Quality and Outcomes Framework 2021-22.

NHS Digital

Table 1: Prevalence and achievement, lifestyle group, obesity, 2021-22, GP practice level

12	Sub ICB Loc ODS code	Sub ICB Loc ONS code	Sub ICB Loc name	PCN ODS code	PCN name	Practice code	Practice name	Prevalence						2020-21		
								2020-21		2021-22		Year on year change (percentage point)				
								List size ages 18+	Register	Prevalence (%)	List size ages 18+	Register	Prevalence (%)			
147	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U65316	Bolton Central PCN	Y00186	3D Medical Centre	1,078	47	4.36	1,136	74	6.51	2.15	8.00	100
148	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U65316	Bolton Central PCN	P82640	Al Fal Medical Group	2,888	248	8.59	3,157	501	15.87	7.28	8.00	100
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150	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U11602	Horwich Network PCN	Y03079	Bolton Community Practice	10,283	418	4.06	10,696	1,102	10.30	6.24	8.00	100
151	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U65316	Bolton Central PCN	P82319	Bolton General Practice	4,041	221	5.47	4,249	330	7.77	2.30	8.00	100
152	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U65316	Bolton Central PCN	P82790	Bolton Medical Centre	4,238	363	8.57	4,279	413	9.65	1.09	8.00	100
153	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U65316	Bolton Central PCN	P82033	Bradford Street Surgery	1,677	85	5.07	1,699	191	11.24	6.17	8.00	100
154	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U05517	Hwl Network PCN	P82025	Burnside Surgery	3,697	277	7.49	3,665	417	11.38	3.89	8.00	100
155	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U05517	Hwl Network PCN	P82625	Charlotte Street Surgery	1,514	53	3.50	1,567	141	9.00	5.50	8.00	100
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174	00T	E3800016	NHS Greater Manchester ICB - 00T	U09883	Farnworth & Kearsley PCN	P82007	Kearsley Medical Centre	10,680	944	8.84	10,633	1,255	11.80	2.96	8.00	100
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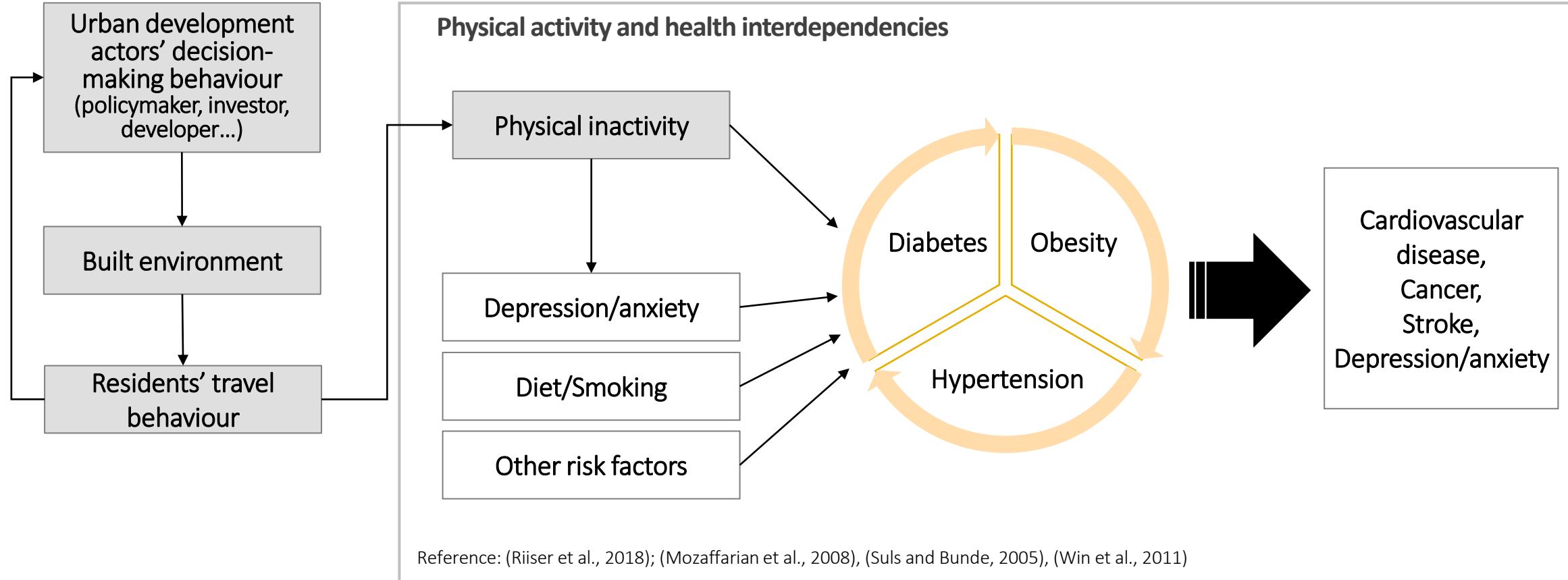
One map each for 8 disease types related to physical (in)activity:

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- Coronary heart disease
- Heart failure
- Hypertension
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Cancer
- Diabetes
- Depression
- Mental health issues

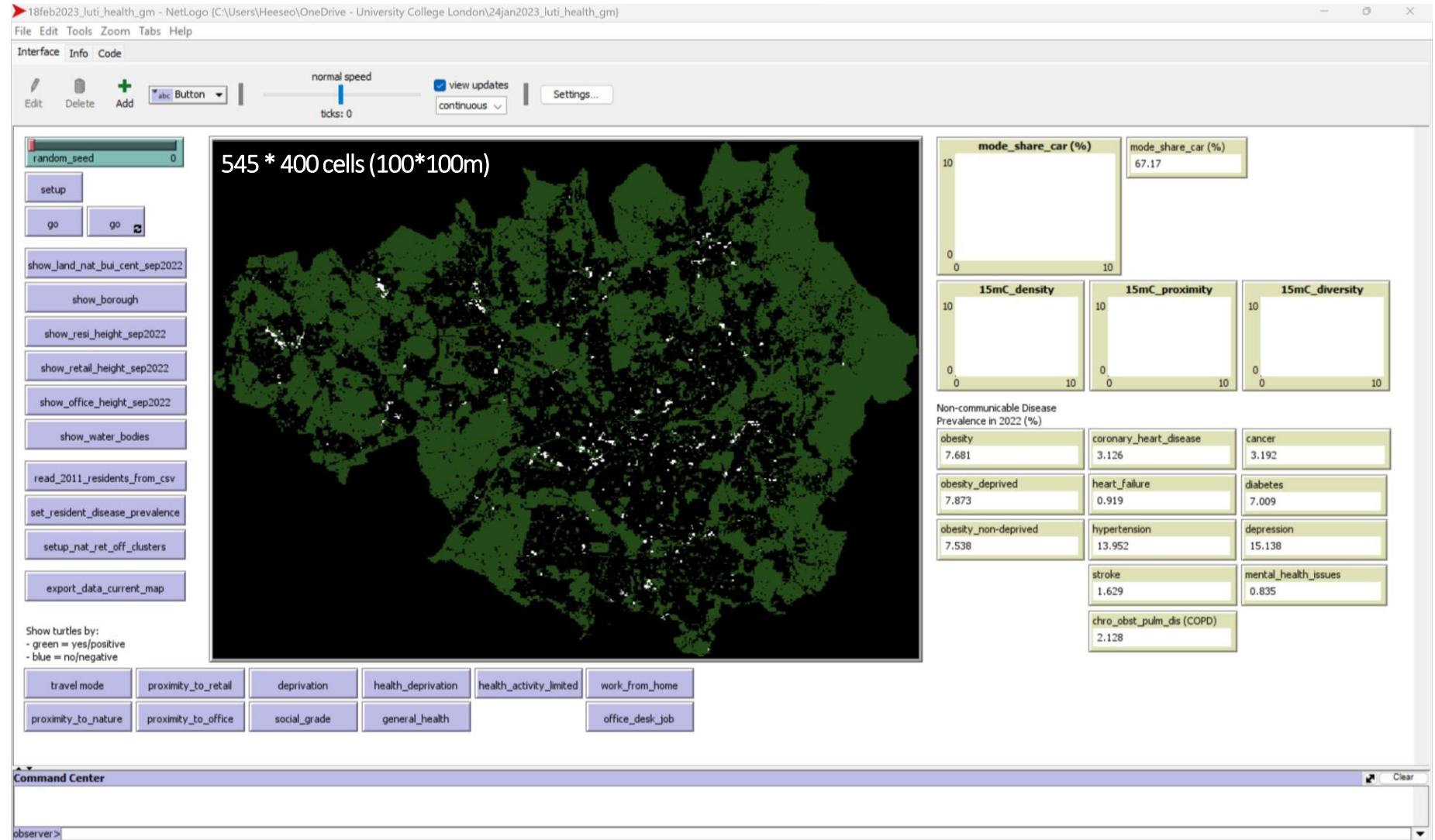


Obesity. Point data converted to Voronoi polygons

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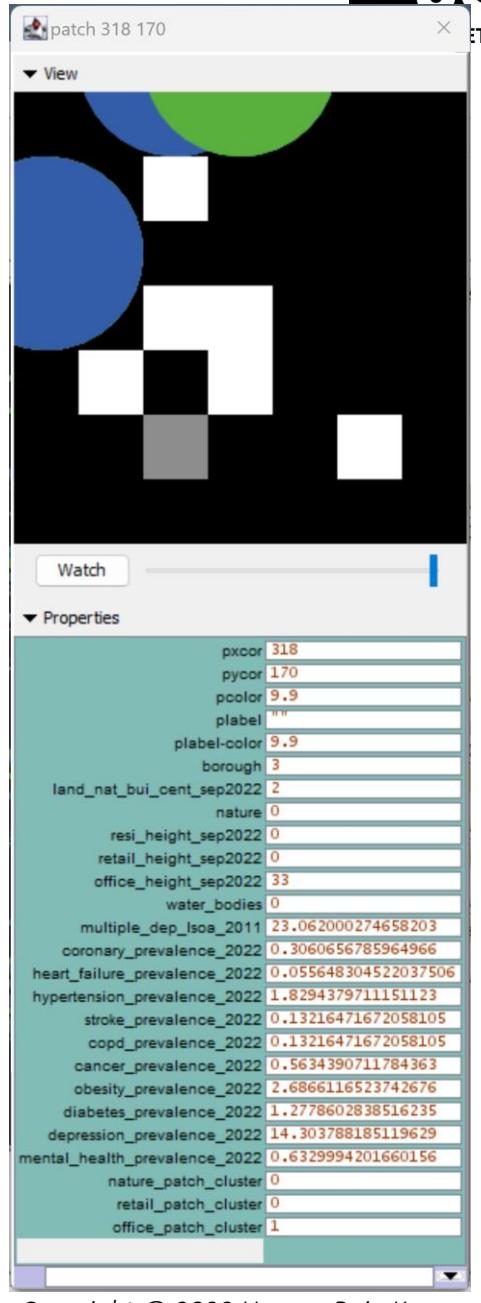


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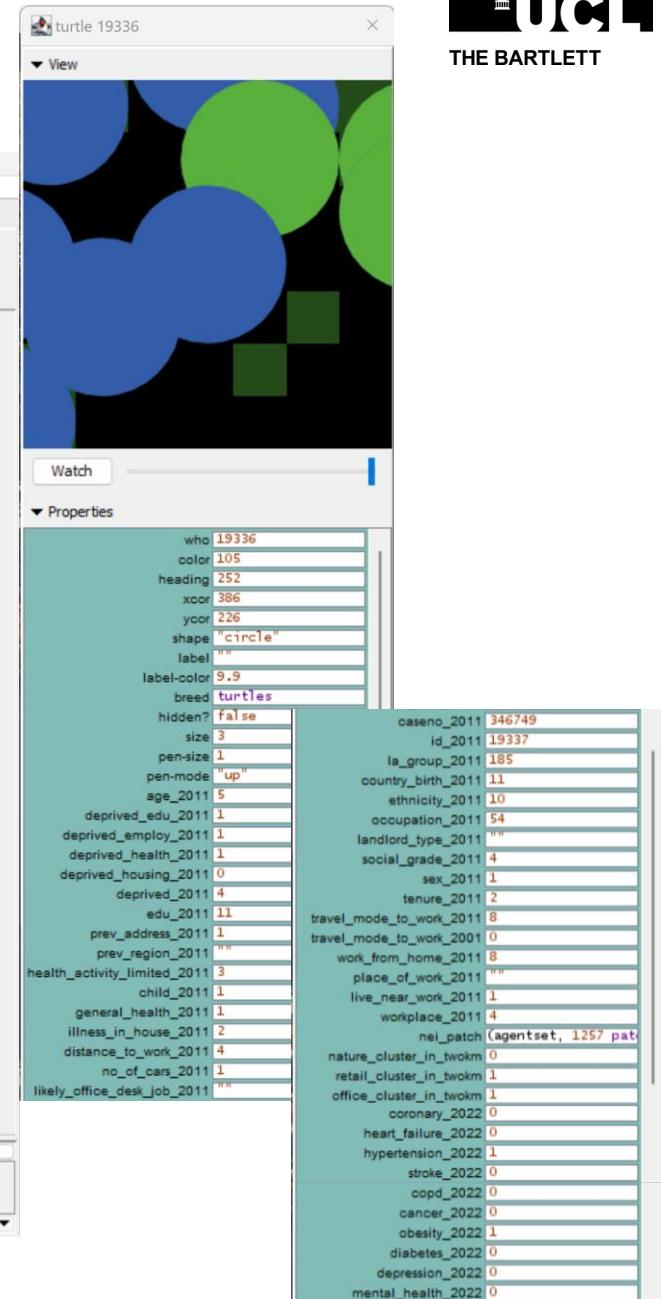
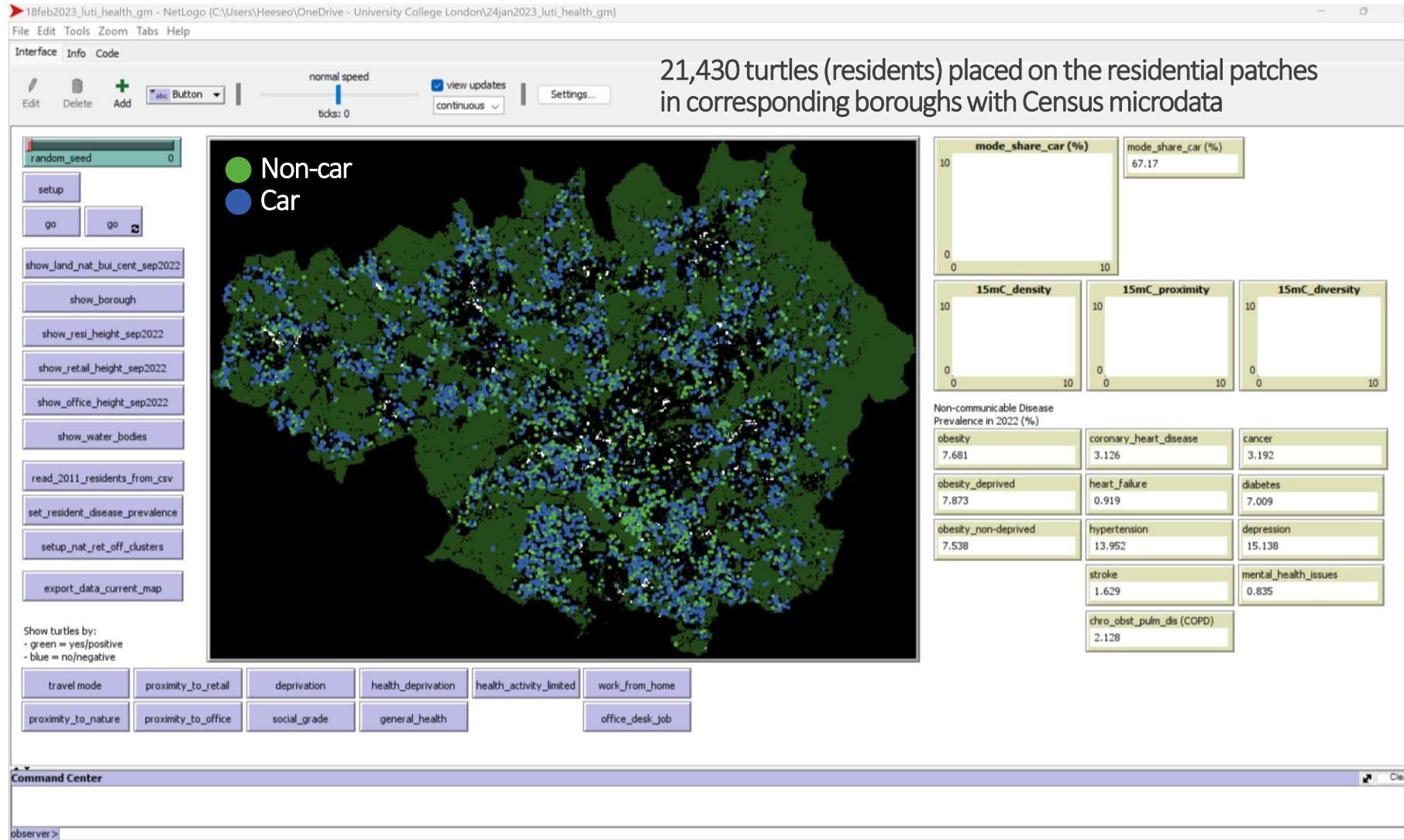
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Urban centre

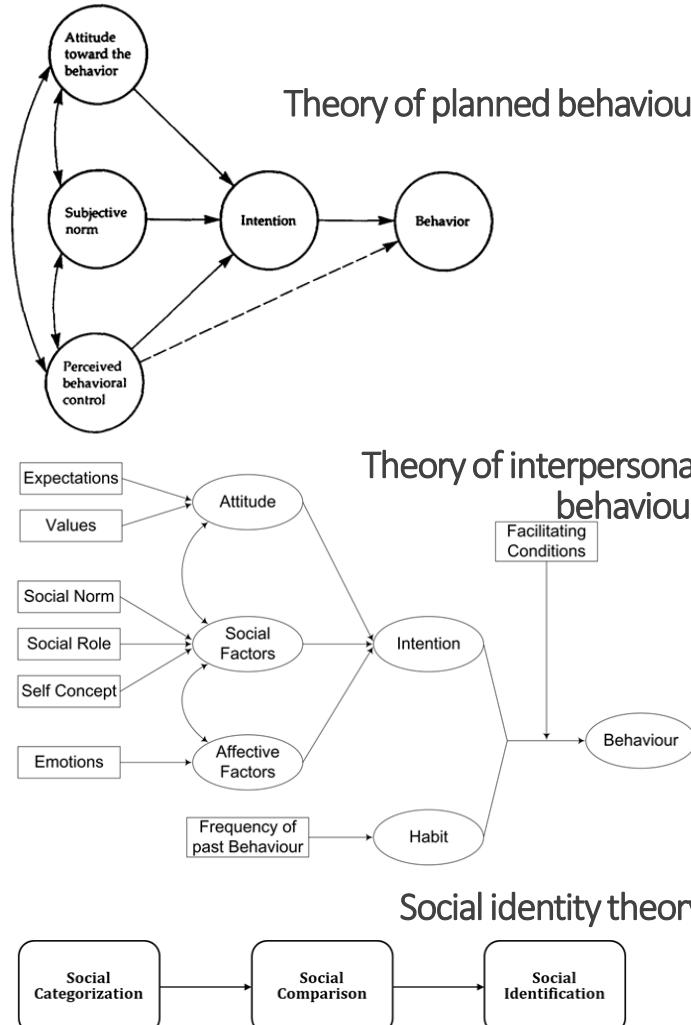
Data: UKLand_Sep2022 (57,269 features). Gets updated once a year since Oct 2020.



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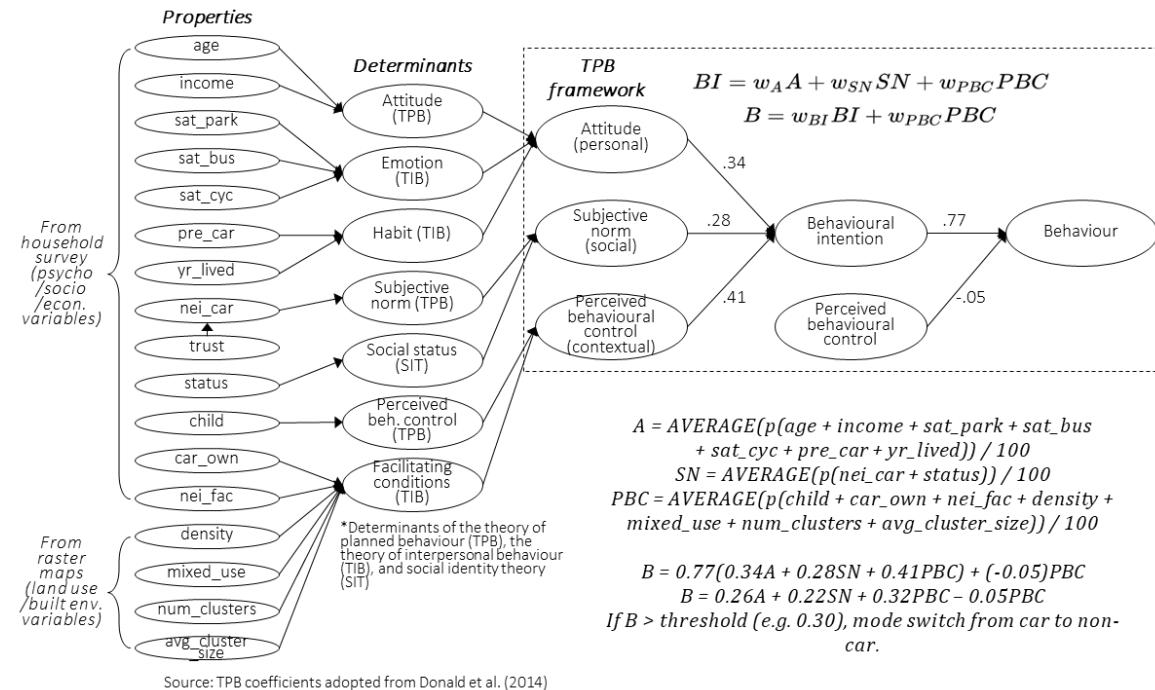


Kwon et al. (Forthcoming b) Implementing SLEUTH on NetLogo and Adding an A-spatial Layer based on Survey Data.



Source: Ajzen (1991, p. 182); adopted from Tajfel and Turner (1979); and Triandis (1977) and Tudela et al. (2013, p. 3)

Calculating individual resident turtle's probability to switch to non-car



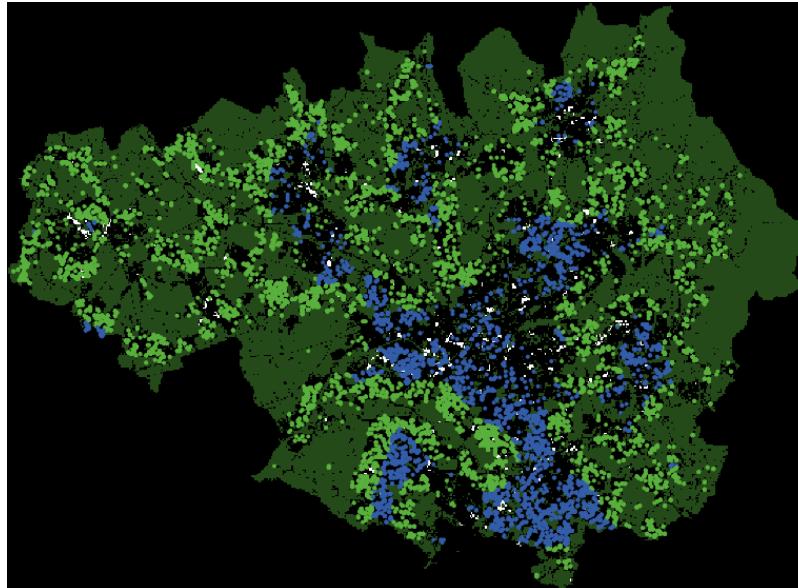
Example: nei_car (car dependency of neighbours)

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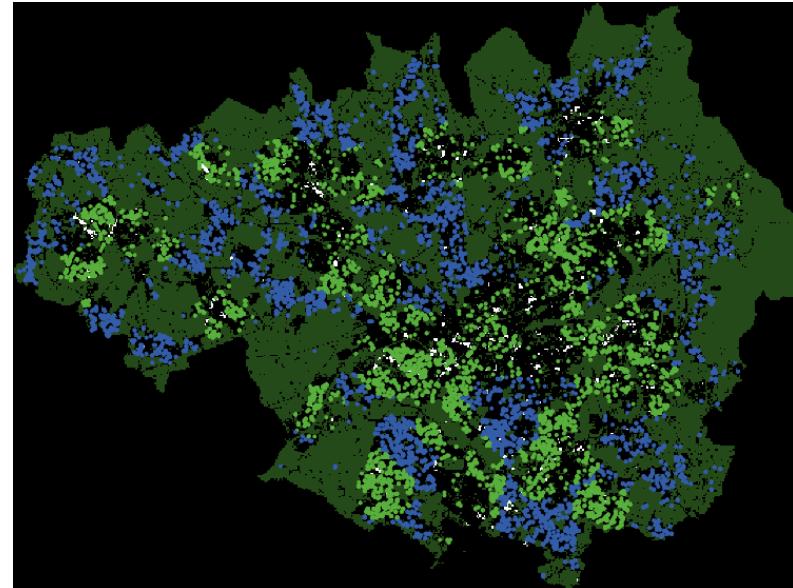
set fifty_nei min-n-of 50 turtles [distance myself]
set nei_car count fifty_nei with [color = blue]*2
set p_trust random_float trust
set p_nei_car random-float (100-nei_car) * (p_trust*2)/100
ask turtles with [p_nei_car > 100] [set p_nei_car 100]
  
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Spatial analysis within NetLogo

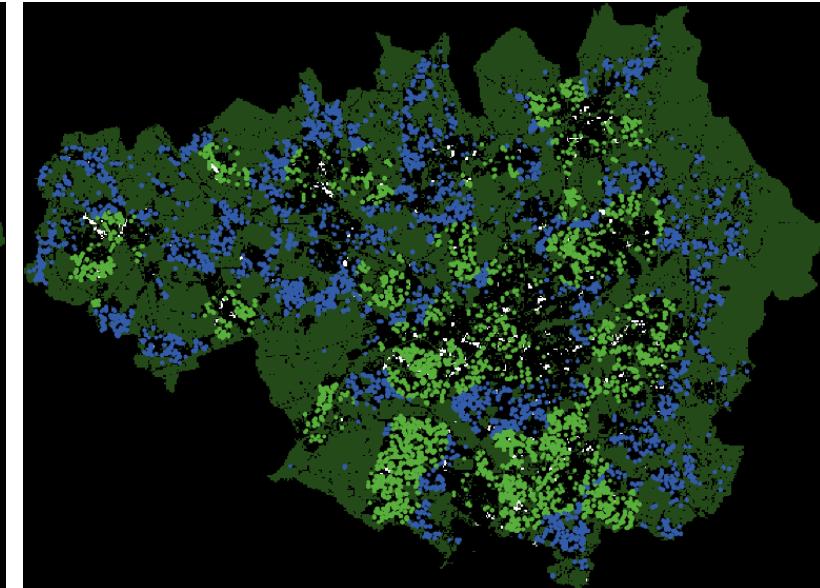
Proximity to nature cluster



Proximity to retail cluster



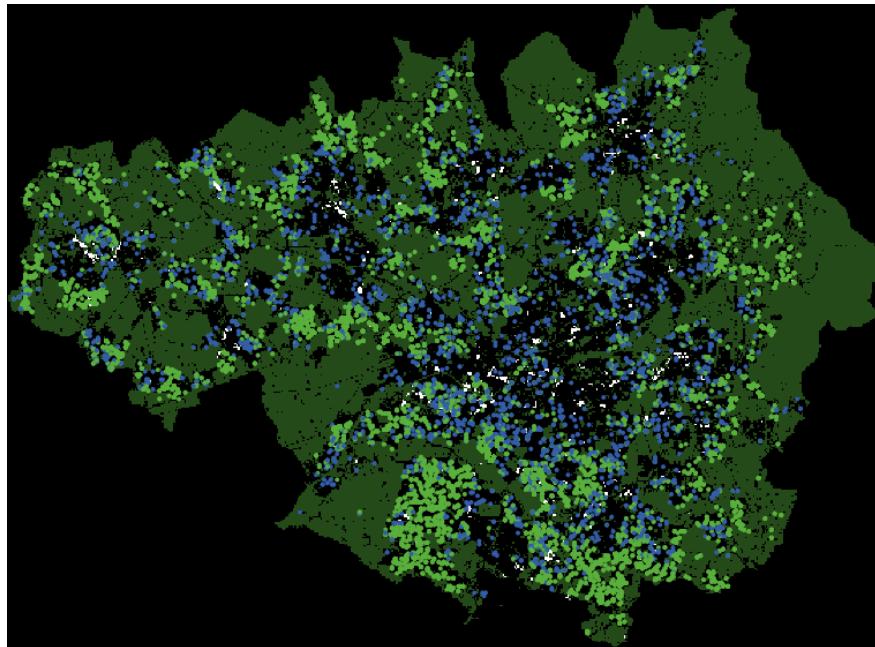
Proximity to office cluster



● Within 2km
● Not within 2km

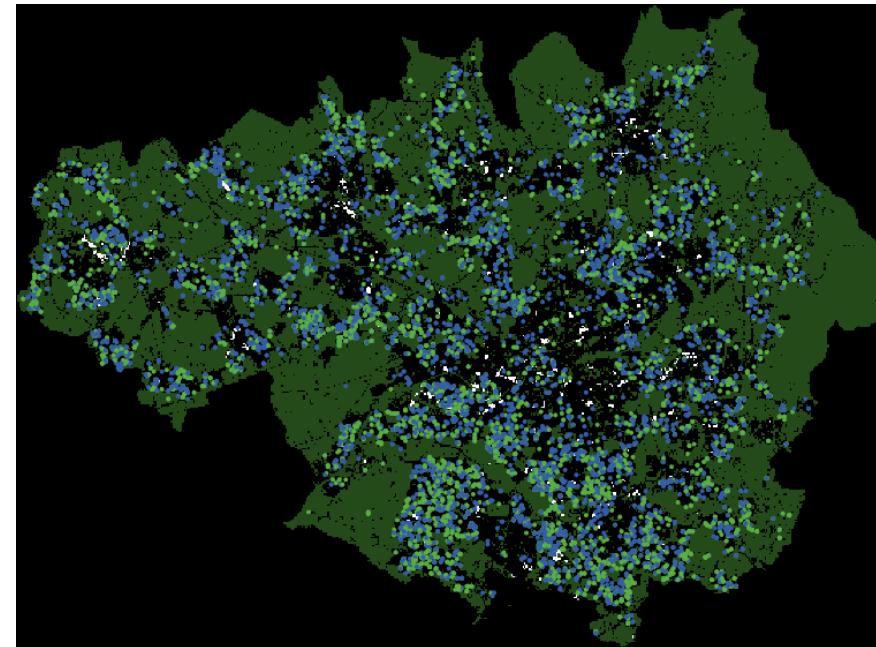
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Health deprivation

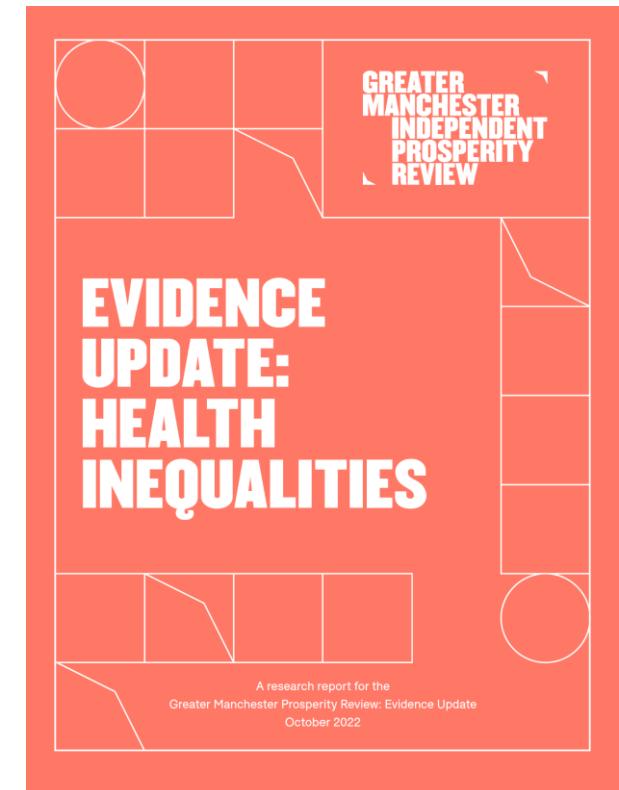


- Not deprived
- Deprived

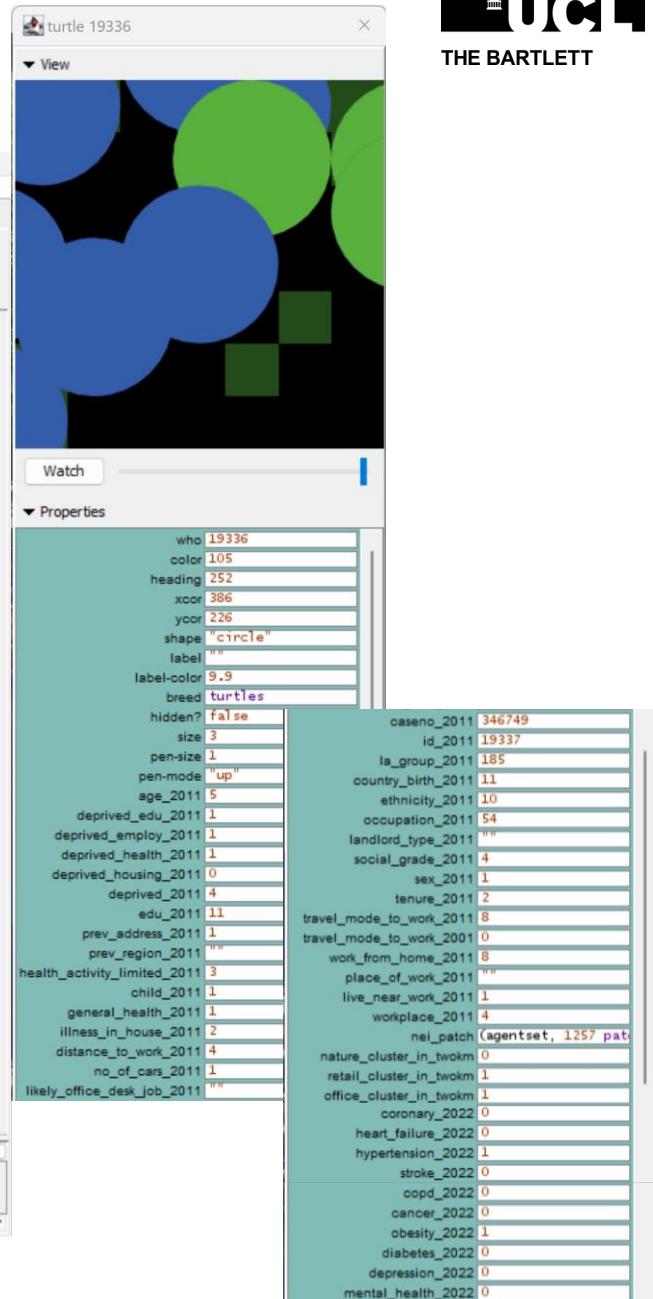
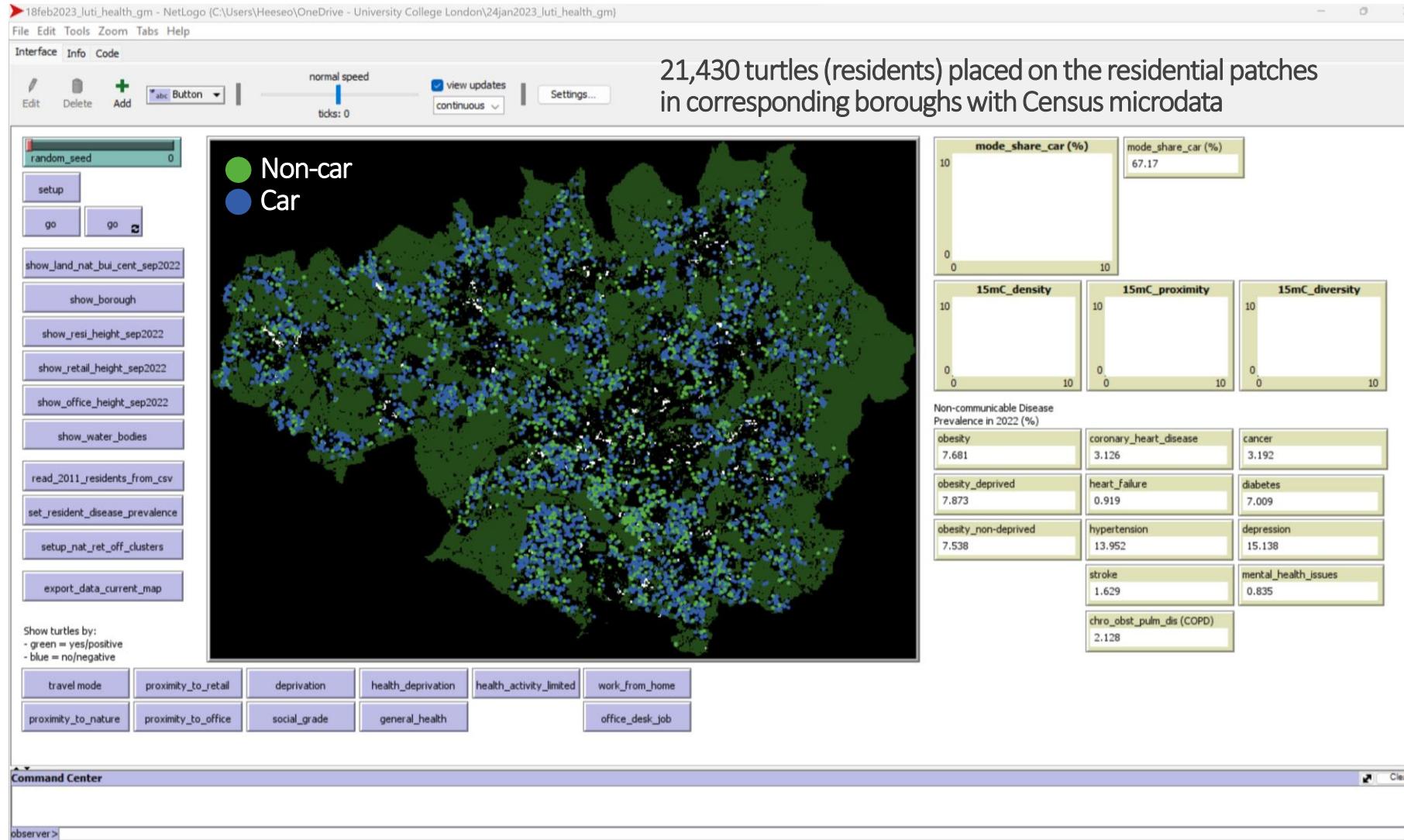
General health



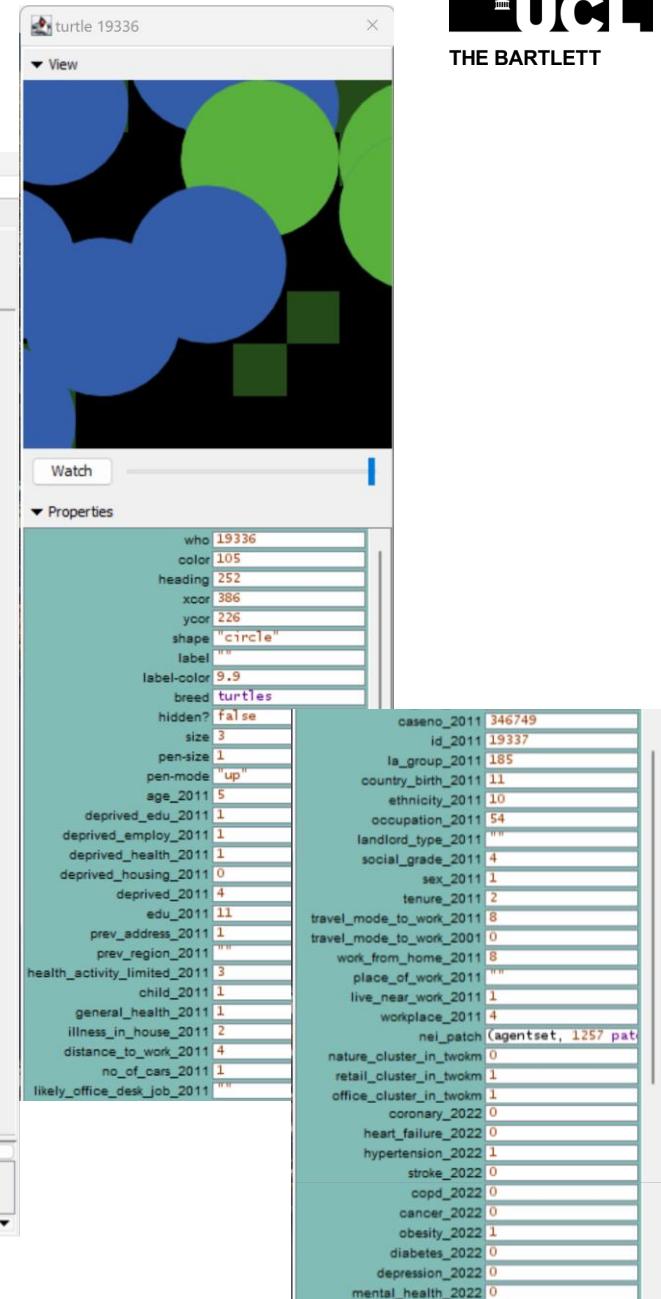
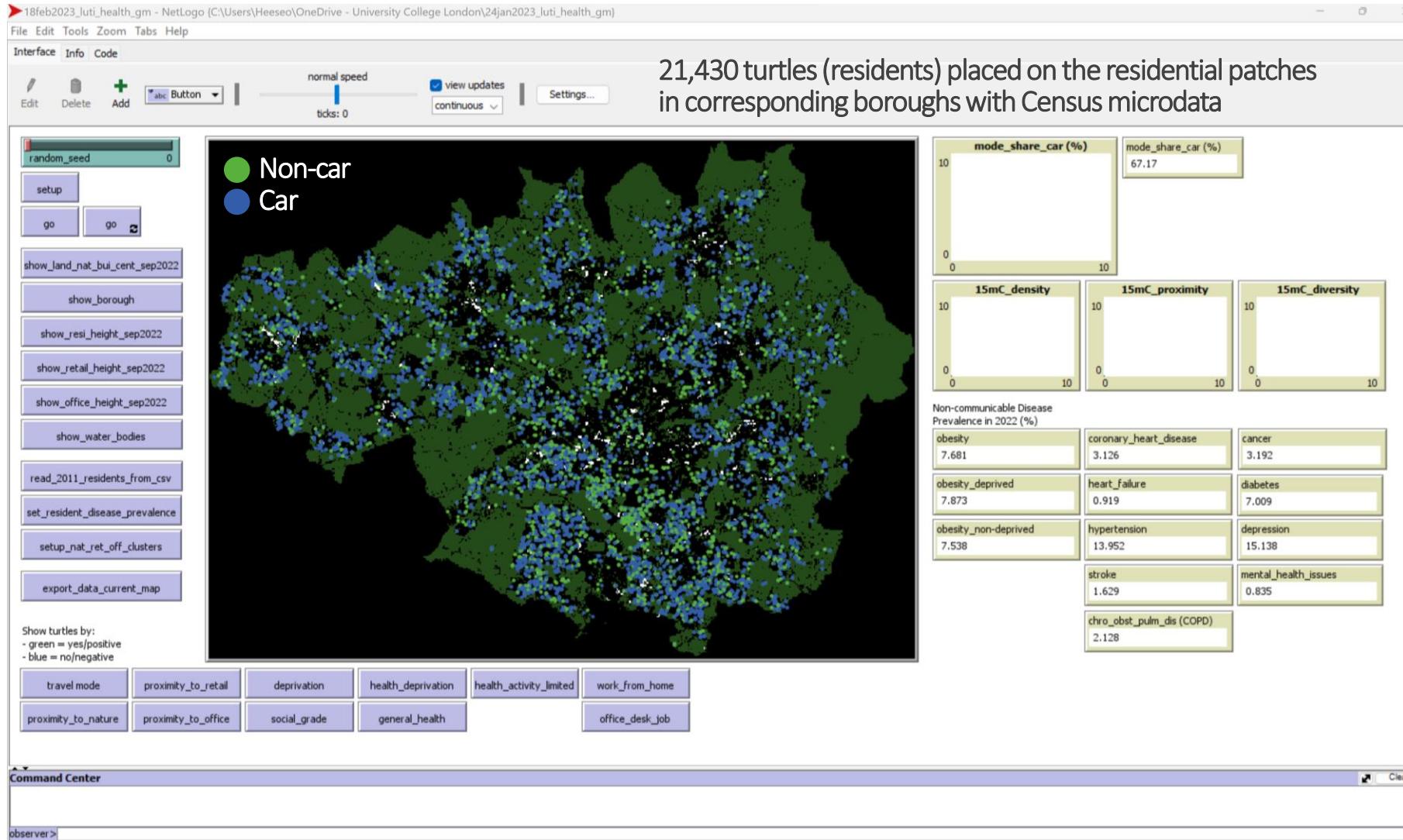
- Very good
- Good/fair/bad/very bad



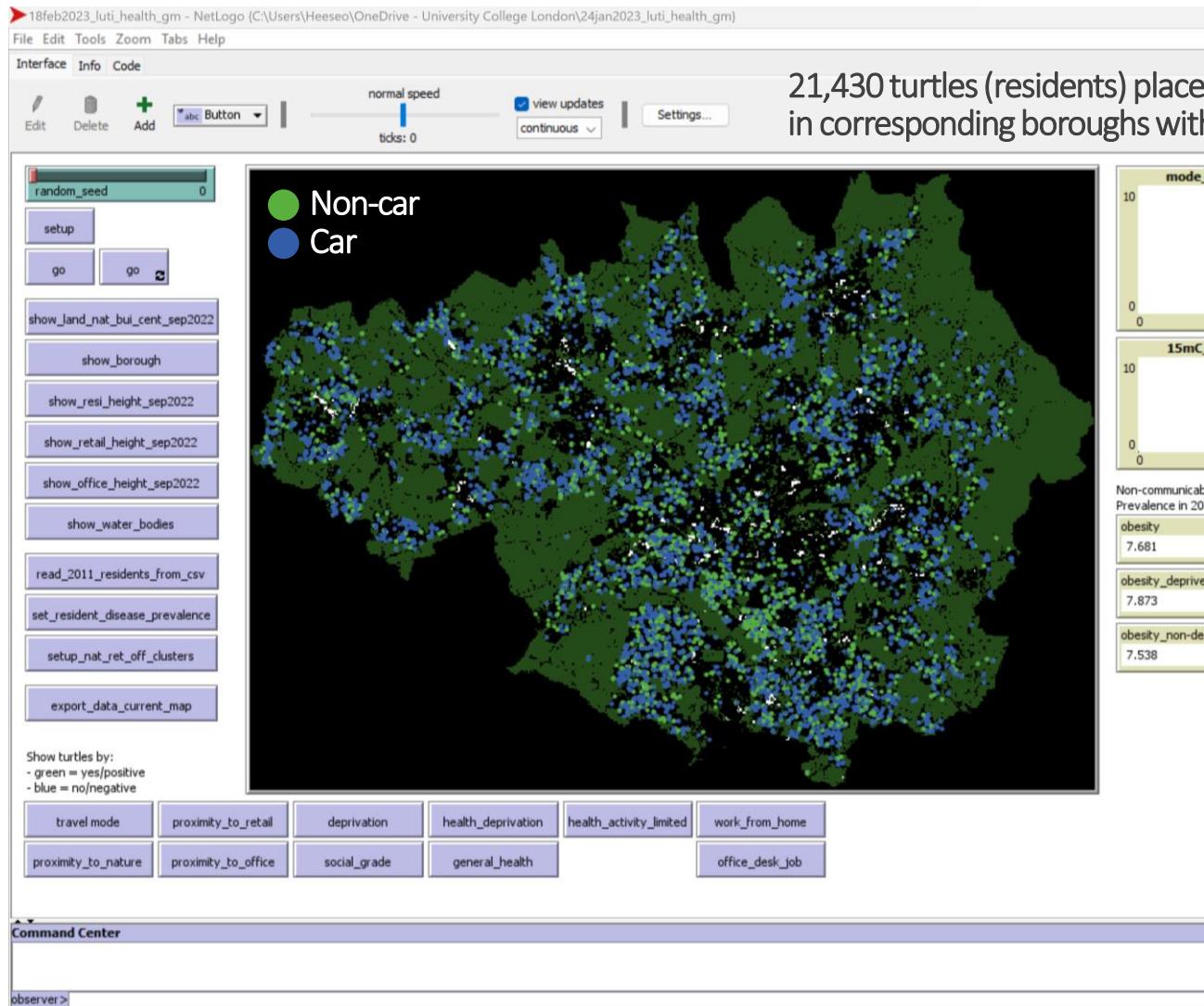
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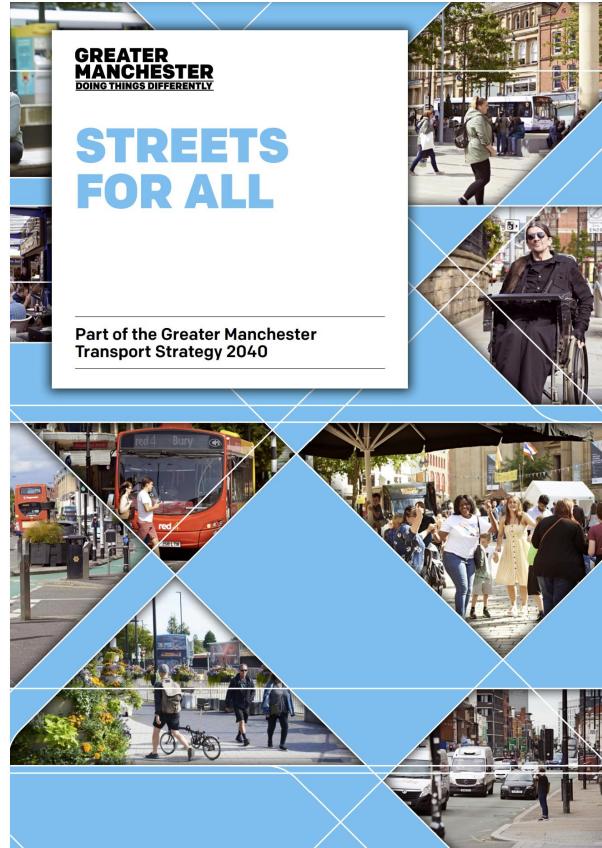


APPENDIX 1 - ISCO-08 2 digit codes

ISCO 08 Code	Title	Category (%)
1	Commissioned armed forces officers	0.1
2	Non-commissioned armed forces officers	0.1
3	Armed forces occupations, other ranks	0.2
11	Chief executives, senior officials and legislators	0.2
12	Administrative and commercial managers	1.5
13	Production and specialised services managers	3.8
14	Hospitality, retail and other services managers	4.3
21	Science and engineering professionals	3.0
22	Health professionals	3.2
23	Teaching professionals	3.9
24	Business and administration professionals	4.6
25	Information and communications technology professionals	1.6
26	Legal, social and cultural professionals	2.3
31	Science and engineering associate professionals	1.5
32	Health associate professionals	0.8
33	Business and administration associate professionals	6.5
34	Legal, social, cultural and related associate professionals	2.0
35	Information and communications technicians	0.6
41	General and keyboard clerks	1.0
42	Customer services clerks	4.2
43	Numerical and material recording clerks	2.0
44	Other clerical support workers	3.5
51	Personal service workers	4.4
52	Sales workers	8.5
53	Personal care workers	6.2
54	Protective services workers	1.6
61	Market-oriented skilled agricultural workers	1.0
62	Market-oriented skilled forestry, fishery and hunting workers	0.1
63	Subsistence farmers, fishers, hunters and gatherers	0.0
71	Building and related trades workers, excluding electricians	3.8
72	Metal, machinery and related trades workers	3.0
73	Handicraft and printing workers	0.7
74	Electrical and electronic trades workers	0.9
75	Food processing, wood working, garment and other craft and related trades workers	1.2
81	Stationary plant and machine operators	2.1
82	Assemblers	0.5
83	Drivers and mobile plant operators	3.5
91	Cleaners and helpers	3.4
92	Agricultural, forestry and fishery labourers	0.3
93	Labourers in mining, construction, manufacturing and transport	4.4
94	Food preparation assistants	1.5
95	Street and related sales and service workers	0.1
96	Refuse workers and other elementary workers	1.7

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Setting land/building use change scenario based on document analysis, interview and survey



Street for All

Street for all (The Greater Manchester) is a people centred approach to street planning focusing on decreasing traffic and road danger and making the urban environment better place for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users.



Vision

- Streets should be:
- welcoming, green, and safe spaces for all people
- More walkable, appropriate for cycling and using public transport while creating thriving places that support local communities and businesses
- **Enable people to drive less and increase the level of physical activity**



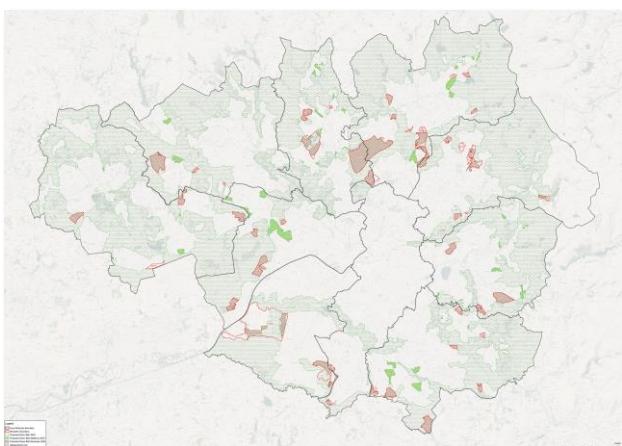
Ambition

- **Delivering one school street per ward which enable children safe commuting to school**
- Transport investment on improving health wellbeing and quality of life (minimum 10£ per capita per year)
- **Doubling the number of people who live within a 10 minute walk or cycle to local green spaces**
- Removing all access barriers to walking and cycling path



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Homeworking and the high street

How important is it for city centres that workers return to the office?

Valentine Quinio
June 2022

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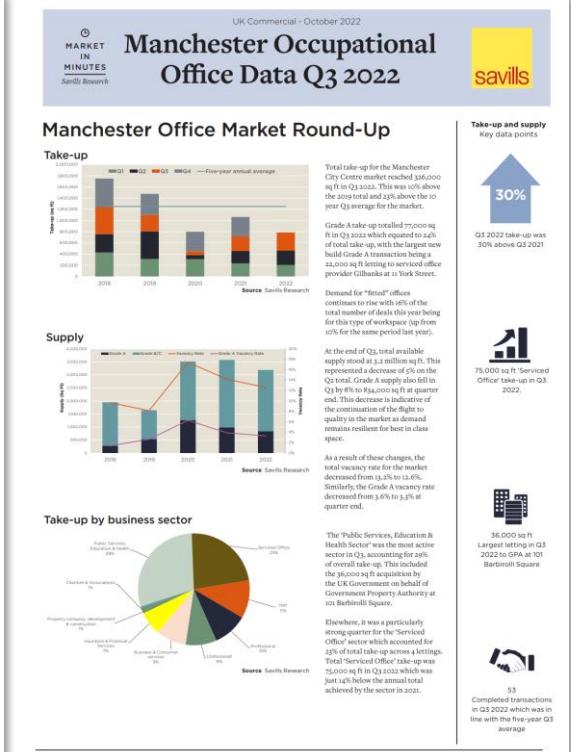
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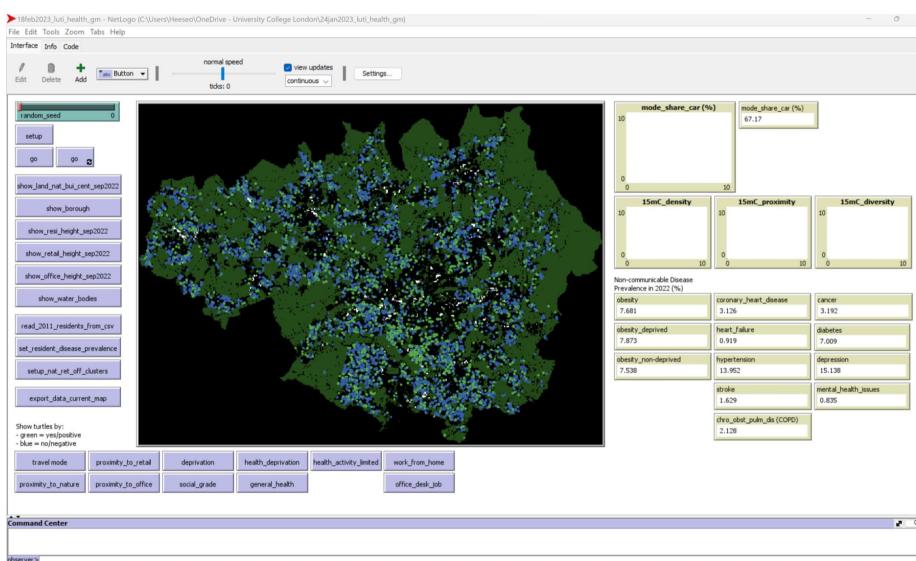
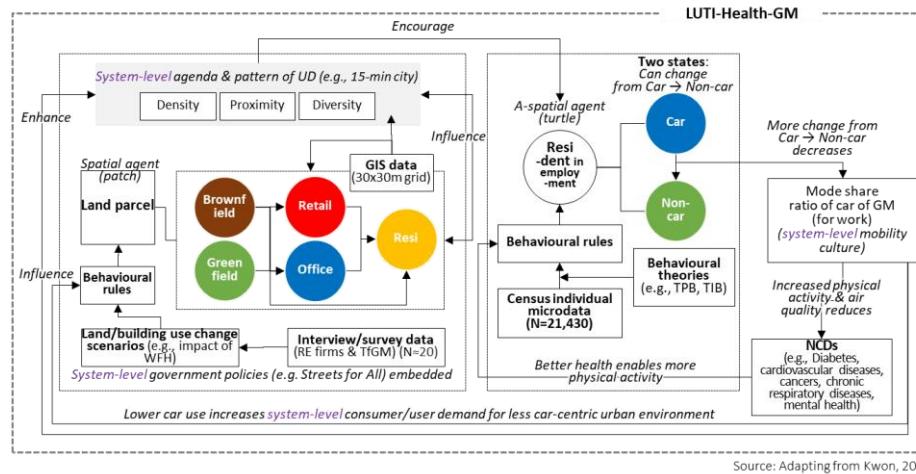
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Further thoughts on behavioural theories, agent-based modelling and policymaking

- Big data can be harnessed to better understand urban dynamics and human behaviour
 - Can inform microsimulation behavioural models like ABM
 - Behavioural theories can help make sense of big data and suggest the psychological/sociological reasons behind behavioural patterns
- Behavioural models and the analysis of patterns within data remain a technical activity until we take it to public policy with value judgments
 - Behavioral intervention: ethical debate concerning individual freedom (Campbell, 2006) e.g., level of surveillance with CCTVs, face recognition, etc.
- Important for modelers to apply various behavioural theories to answer
 - *Why* certain behavioral patterns are observed in the data (explanations)
 - *What* is the meaning and intent of certain behavior of certain actors (interpretations)
 - *Why* should certain behavioural intervention measures be instituted (justifications) (Donaghy, 2021).
- Applying psychological/sociological behavioural theories can enable more bottom-up behavioural interventions
 - Encourage individuals to make proactive and lasting behavioural change

Source: Kwon & Silva, 2023



Lecture 4:

Thank you!

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Software exercise 4: Questions

Q1. Going back to our NetLogo file, these turtles that we loaded can be coloured linked with their properties.

- For example, If one wants to look at 15-minute city/20-minute neighbourhood theme and mode switch away from car use,
 - We can link with a census variable, by main mode of transport: non-car (green) and car (blue)).
 - Or can calculate within NetLogo, whether or not a turtle is within 1km of green cluster and centrality: yes (green), no (blue).
 - Naturally, we could put these as `monitor` or `plot` in the `Interface`.
- What kind of metric/s would be your personal interest?

Software exercise 4: Questions

Q2. I have only included the census variables that I thought would have relevance for car to non-car mode switch behaviour. You can see the whole list of variables in the census data in the [Codebook](#).

- Is there specific type/s of behaviour of citizens that you are interested in for research?
 - If so, which of these variables especially interest you?

Software exercise 4: Questions

Q3. What kind of opportunities do you think looking at the census data at an individual level create, compared to looking at them at an aggregate level?

Software exercise 4: Questions

Q4. What kind of opportunities do you think using GIS and CSV extensions in NetLogo can present for researchers and practitioners in urban planning and development?

Applying Agent-Based Modelling in Urban Planning and Development

A workshop providing an introduction to agent-based modelling (ABM) and behavioural theories through lectures and software exercises.

This mini-module/workshop provides an introduction to agent-based modelling (ABM) and behavioural theories. The lectures will focus on the theoretical aspect and encourage students to develop critical thinking regarding the topics related to urban modelling. The workshops will enable students to get a taste of how spatiotemporal models can be built using software such as QGIS and NetLogo, and how the concepts of complex systems theory can be applied to various behaviour modelling in the fields of urban planning and real estate development.

The aims of the module are to develop the students' ability to:

1. understand and explore how systems approach and ABM can be used to conceptualise and study various behaviours and interactions in feedback loops in urban systems; and
2. understand current limitations and potentials of modelling approaches like ABM.

By the end of the module, students would have acquired skills in:

1. understanding basic concepts of cellular automata (CA), agent-based modelling (ABM) and human-environment dynamic modelling; and
2. using QGIS and NetLogo at an introductory level.

What were the most interesting aspects for you? Any final questions?
Thank you!

Course outline

Time	Lecture	Topic			
1-1:20pm	Lecture 1	Complex systems theory and behavioural modelling used in urban planning and development: Focusing on CA and ABM [Slides]	2:40-3pm	Lecture 3	Isobenefit urbanism morphogenesis: Using ABM to simulate future urban growth of 15-minute neighbourhoods [Slides]
1:20-1:50pm	Software exercise 1	Introduction to NetLogo: Game of life and wolf sheep predation model) [Exercises]	3-3:40pm	Software exercise 3	Using QGIS with NetLogo: Preparing spatial input data on QGIS for an urban growth model loading on NetLogo [Exercises]
2-2:15pm	Lecture 2	Using actor-network theory (ANT) and ABM to conceptualise pro-health urban development decision-making system [Slides]	3:50-4:30pm	Lecture 4	Using ABM and behavioural theories for land use-transport interaction (LUTI) simulation: Healthier urban development and healthier travel behaviour [Slides]
2:15-2:30pm	Software exercise 2	Introduction to NetLogo: Language change model and contact tracing [Exercises]	4:30-4:50pm	Software exercise 4	Using QGIS and Excel with NetLogo: Linking census data with turtles on NetLogo and using NHS disease prevalence data [Exercises]