# **Scooter Trajectories Clustering**

Machine Learning and Deep Learning

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# Introduction

## MOTIVATION

Trajectory clustering is a problem really difficult to be treated but can be useful for several applications:

- Monitoring
- Forecasting
- Viability
- Smart City
- Security

#### STATE OF ART

#### Machine Learning:

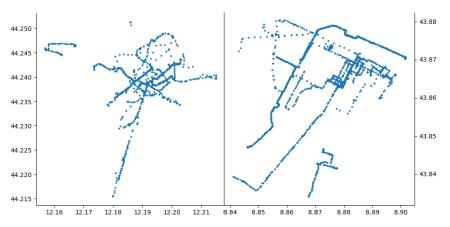
- Spatial based clustering: *DBSCAN* algorithm.
- Time depended clustering: *OPTICS* algorithm.
- Partition and group based clustering: *Lee partition & group*.
- Uncertain trajectory clustering: *Fuzzy C-Means* algorithm.
- Semantic trajectory clustering: *Stops and Moves* model.

#### Deep Learning:

- Autoencoder: DCEC, DETECT...
- Motion Pattern Approach.
- Deep SOM: DPSOM.

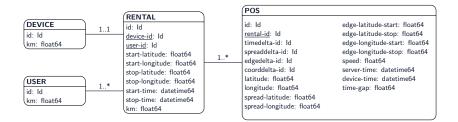
## STARTING POINT

#### Dataset size: 2GB.



#### Dataset Diagram

Samples	Features
14826	10
817076	18
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14826	13
608251	18
202795	18
	14826 817076 817076 14826 608251



## Methodology

#### Trajectory Definition

A trajectory is a set of positions that belong to the same rental sorted by the timestamp.

$$trajectory(rental\_id) = \{p \mid p.rental\_id == rental\_id\}$$
 (1)



Each position p is a tuple  $(t_p, lat_p lon_p, s_p)$ .

## RENTALS TRAJECTORIES

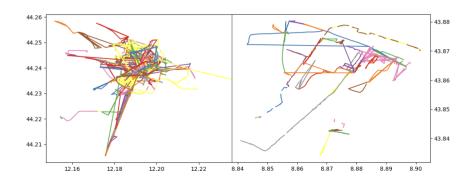


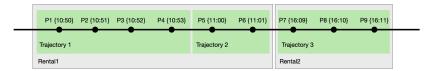
Figure: Rentals showed in the 2 cities: 200 (left), 50 (right).

#### HEURISTICS: timedelta

The following heuristics methodologies use a delta value that is valued with the statistic's empirical rule.

■ timedelta heuristic: a rental trajectory can be divided in a sequence of trajectories if the time gap between a position and previous one exceeds a timedelta value.

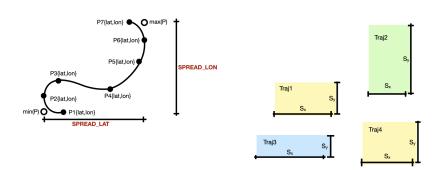
$$TIMEGAPS = \{t.time - shift(t, -1).time \mid \forall t \in TRAJ\} \quad (2)$$



## HEURISTICS: spreaddelta

spreaddelta heuristic: a rental trajectory is similar to another one if they spread a similar amount of area in relation with spreaddelta value.

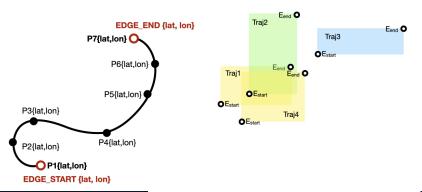
$$SPREADS = \{max(t) - min(t) \mid \forall t \in TRAJ\}$$
 (3)



## HEURISTICS: edgedelta AND coorddelta

edgedelta heuristic: acts as the spreaddelta heuristic, but it considers the edges of a trajectory, or rather the first position and the last position of a trajectory in relation with edgedelta value.

$$EDGES = \{concat(p[0], p[-1]) \mid \forall t \in TRAJ\}$$
 (4)



#### FEATURE EXTRACTION

Pipeline: integration of heuristic data as features, *Standardization*, *Normalization* and than *Principal Component Analysis* (*PCA*).

The component extracted by PCA can be decided in 3 different ways:

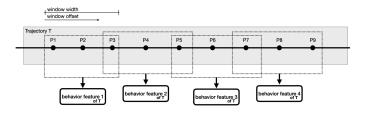
- By a number a priori;
- By the cumulative variance with 80% cover;
- Concatenation of columns produced by PCA for different subset of features;

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{{latitude}, {longitude}, {spread latitude, spread longitude},
{edgelatitudestart, edgelatitudestop,
edgelongitudestart, edgelongitudestop}}
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#### MOVING BEHAVIOR EXTRACTION

Obtain space- and time- invariant features to describe the moving behaviors of the object with a sliding window.



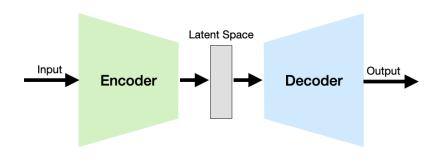
$$egin{aligned} f_{\Delta lat_i} &= \Delta lat_i/\Delta t_i & f_{\Delta lon_i} &= \Delta lon_i/\Delta t_i \ f_{\Delta s_i} &= \Delta s_i & f_{\Delta r_i} &= \Delta r_i \end{aligned}$$

with statistics: mean, max, 75% quantile, 50% quantile, 25% quantile, min

## **CLUSTERING**

- **K-Means**: simple technique with distance based metric, fast and cheap in memory terms. O(n \* k \* l)
- Mean Shift: density based, automatically sets the number of clusters, but it needs a bandwidth parameter.  $O(n^2)$
- Gaussian Mixture: estimation of linear combination of a finite number of Gaussian distributions with unknown parameters and expectation-maximization (EM) algorithm.  $O(I*n^3)$
- Full Hierarchy Agglomerative: hierarchical clustering with bottom up approach and minimization metric on the maximum distance between observations in pairs of clusters.  $O(n^3)$
- Ward Hierarchy Agglomerative: hierarchical clustering with bottom up approach and minimization metric on the sum of squared differences between all clusters.  $O(n^3)$

## AUTOENCODER



## DEEP CLUSTERING

The autoencoder is trained to reproduce the input in the output.

- *Simple Autoencoder*: the model is composed by two LSTM that which acts as encoder and decoder.
- Autoregressive Autoencoder: the LSTM decoder takes the output of the current step as input for the following step.
- Addons Autoencoder: already implemented decoder contained in TensorFlow Addons library.

The training can be performed creating a dataset of sliding windows over the input timeseries trajectory.

## DEEP CLUSTERING: LSTM AUTOENCODER

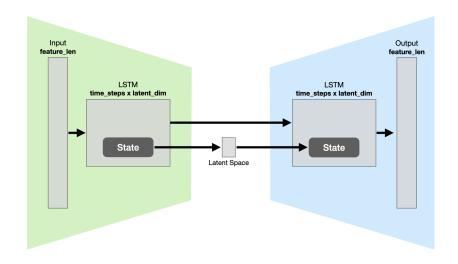


Figure: Simple Autoencoder schema

## DEEP CLUSTERING: AUTOREGRESSIVE

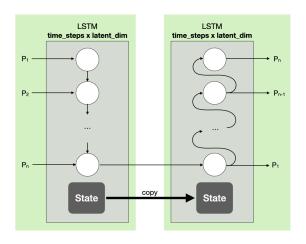


Figure: Autoregressive Autoencoder schema

## Results

## TIMEDELTA HEURISTIC RESULTS

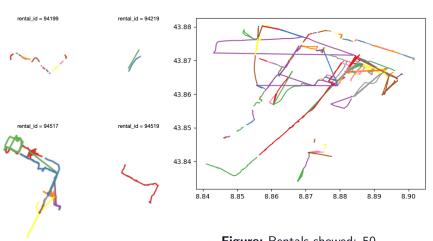


Figure: Rentals showed: 50.

## SPREADDELTA HEURISTIC RESULTS

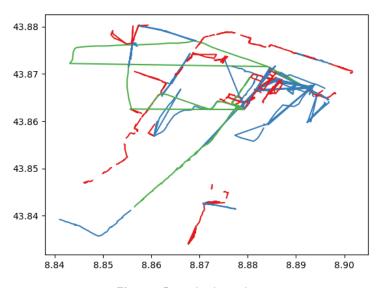


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## EDGEDELTA HEURISTIC RESULTS

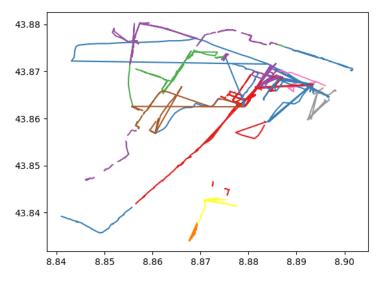
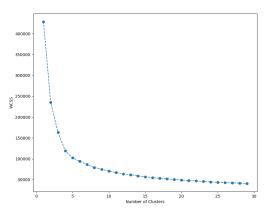


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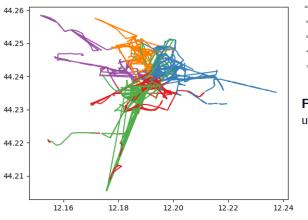
#### WCSS AND ELBOW METHOD

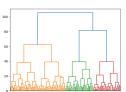
Within Cluster Sum of Squares (WCSS) graph for Elbow method with number of clusters in range from 1 to 30 and K-Means algorithm.



Number of clusters estimated: 5.

## WARD HIERARCHICAL AGGLOMERATIVE





**Figure:** Dendrogram up to level 5 of merge

**Figure:** Silhouette: 0.28. Rentals showed: 200.

## K-Means clustering

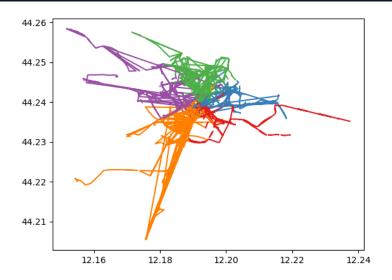
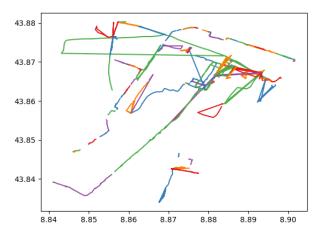


Figure: Silhouette: 0.352. Rentals showed: 200.

## DEEP CLUSTERING

K-Means applied to the latent space extracted.



**Figure:** Silhouette: 0.112. Positions showed: ~1000.

## **Conclusion**

## FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

- *K-Means* is the best result in terms of plot representation and *Silhouette score*;
- Time useful for partition and group, but not for bottom-up clustering techniques;
- Clustering with *PCA* shows better results in variance terms;
- Clustering with heuristic features maintains the rental information;
- Clustering has always to be performed on a specific region of interest in order to optimize the results;
- *Silhouette score* is not a validation methodology so reliable, because it depends a lot on the data you are dealing with;
- Deep Clustering doesn't perform well, but can be improved...

#### **IMPROVEMENTS**

- Test the autoencoder models on well known datasets:
- Test the autoencoder models with more epoch;
- Design more complex autoencoder models (with convolutional layer);
- Trying to augment the number of positions in a trajectory with some techniques;
- Improve the edge and coord heuristic applying Mean Shift, in order to avoid the bimodal distribution problem;
- Improve the autoencoder training with specific loss functions focused on clustering;

## K-Means 3D

