CONTEXT-AWARE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR REAL-TIME SECURITY EVENT FORECASTING

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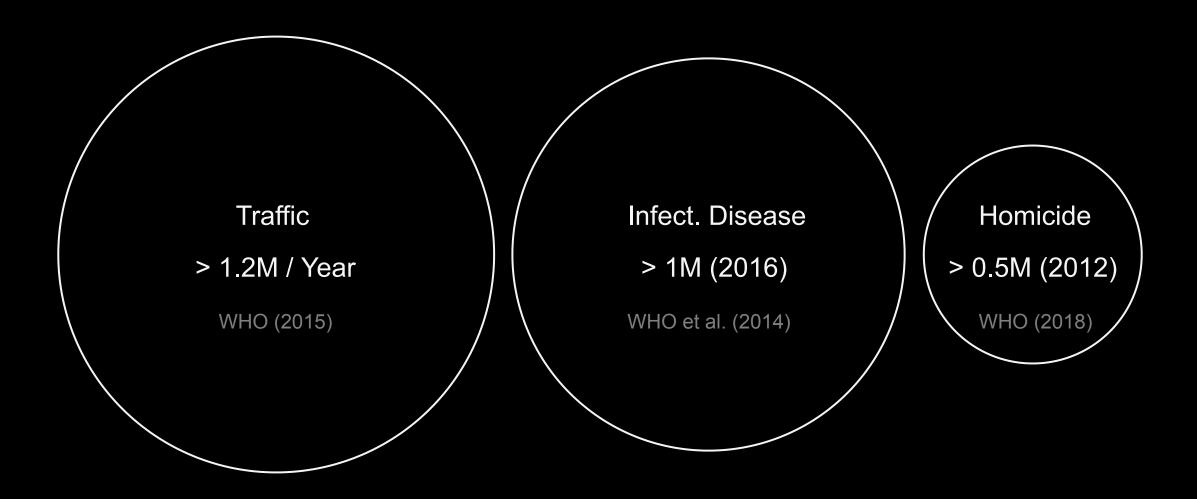
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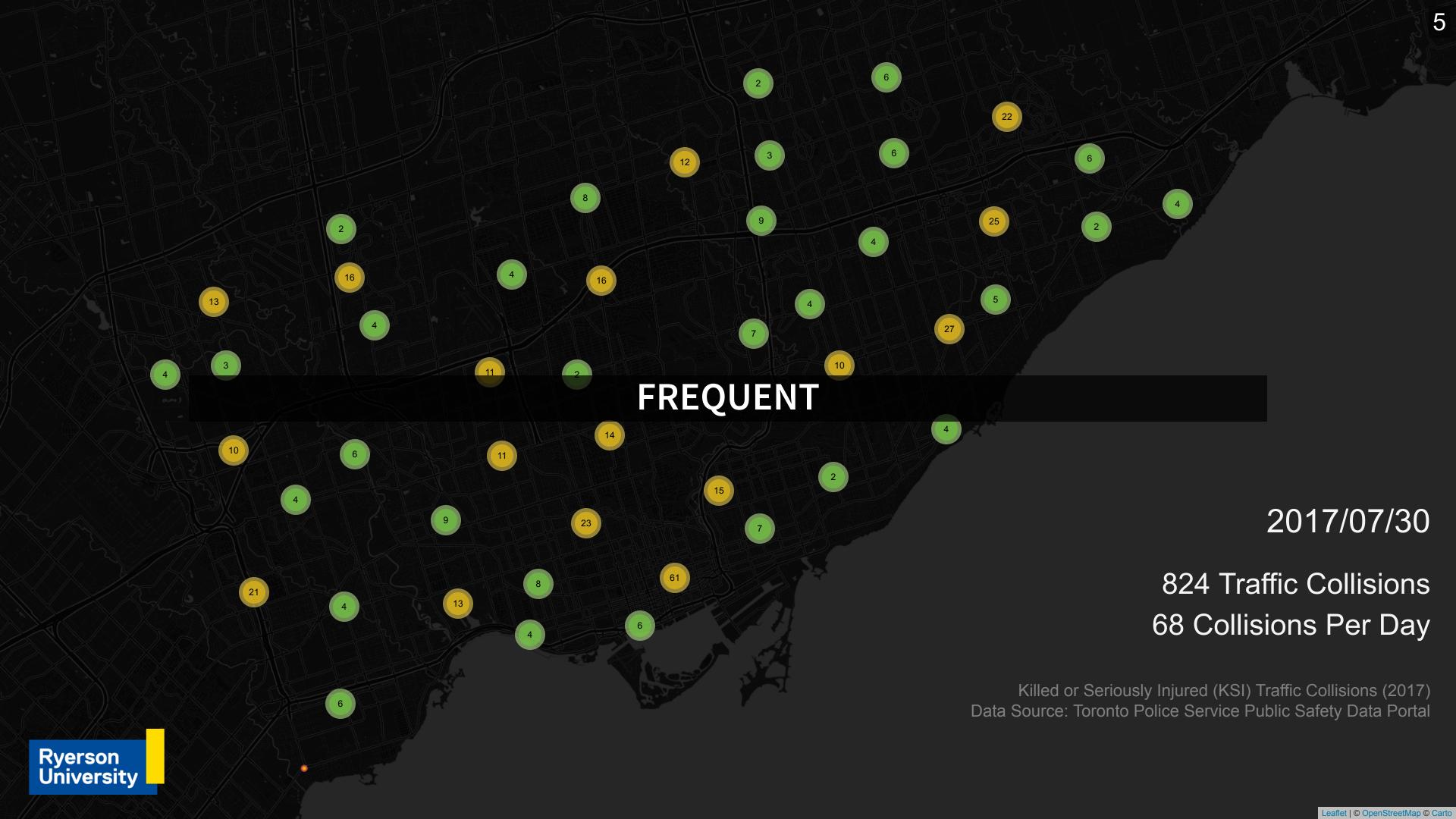
INTRODUCTION

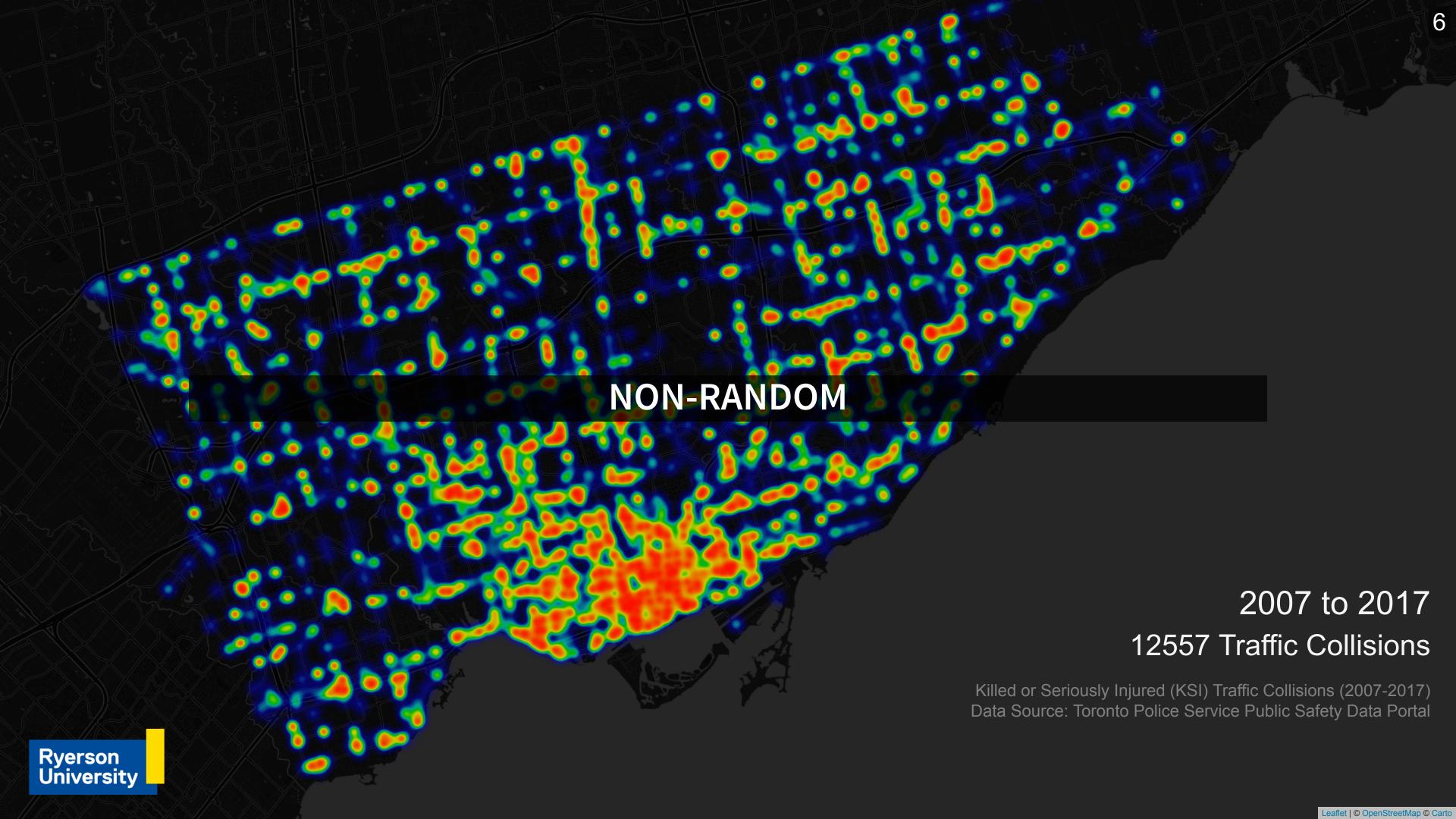


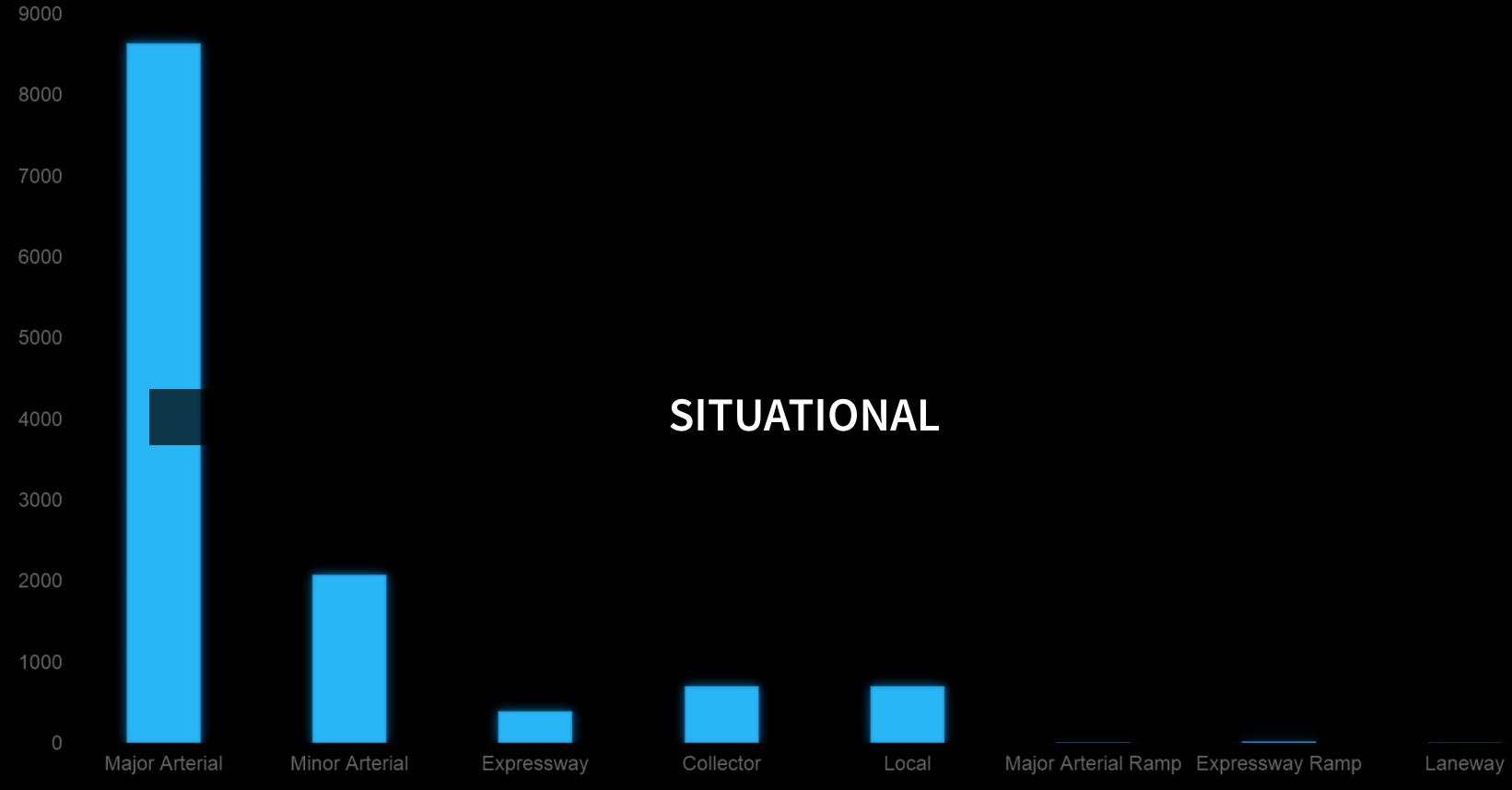
OVER 40 MILLION DEATHS PER YEAR











Killed or Seriously Injured (KSI) Traffic Collisions (2007-2017) from Toronto Police Service Public Safety Data Portal



SECURITY EVENTS

- Disrupt societal operation and daily life
- Reduced quality of life
- Economic burden and loss of life



FORECASTING SECURITY EVENTS

- 1. Data: news, social media, government
- 2. Context: situation surrounding event
- 3. Certainty: probability, details



GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

- Set of hardware and software
- Store, manage, and present spatial data
- Enable information extracted from data



CONTEXT-AWARE GIS

- Enable GIS to use contextual data
- Adapt to context
- Act based on context



RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

- 1. Develop methods/models for context-aware GIS
- 2. Conduct experiments with context-aware GIS



OBJECTIVE 1 COMPONENTS

- 1. Data Source: contextual data extraction
- 2. Database: store and query 1.
- 3. Data: process and manipulate 2.
- 4. Model: forecast security events using 3.
- 5. Visualization: present outputs of 4.



OBJECTIVE 2 CRITERIA

- 1. Relevant: involves security event forecasting
- 2. Practical: uses non-artificial data
- 3. Measurable: uses qualitative or quantitative forecasting model assessments



CONTRIBUTIONS

- 1. Conceptual framework for context-aware GIS
- 2. Software framework for context-aware GIS
- 3. Software architecture for context-aware GIS
- 4. Methods for forecasting security events



BACKGROUND



WEB GIS AND ARCHITECTURES

- Client server
- Service-oriented
- Cloud-based



CONTEXT-AWARE SYSTEMS

"A system is context-aware if it uses context to provide relevant information and or services to the user, where relevancy depends on the user's task."

Ref: Dey (2001)



NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING (NLP)

- Extracting useful data from text
- Structure contextual data
- N-grams, word distributions

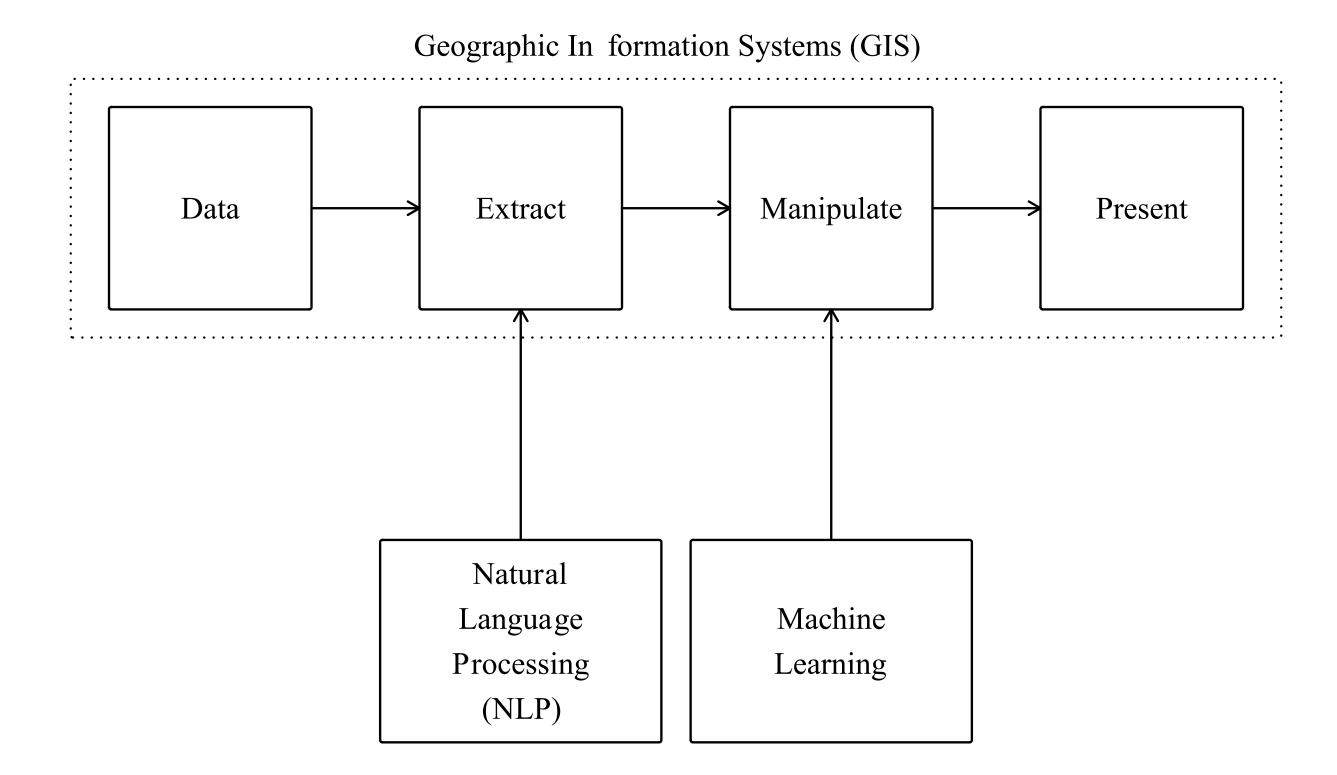


MACHINE LEARNING

- Discover and apply patterns from data
- Supervised: predict from known values
- Clustering: grouping similar data
- Incremental Learning: continuous model updates



CONTEXT-AWARE GIS INTEGRATION





PROBLEM STATEMENT

- Real-time GIS: large continuous spatial data
- Event-driven Architecture: react to events
- Context-aware GIS: react and adapt to context



METHODS



SOFTWARE FRAMEWORKS

- Produce applications in a standardized way
- Component interaction
- Reusable, consistent, comparable

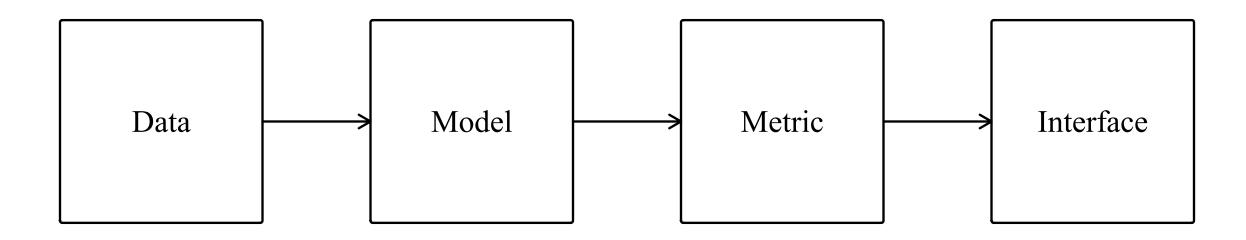


SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

- Object-oriented programming
- Test-driven approach
- Prototyping

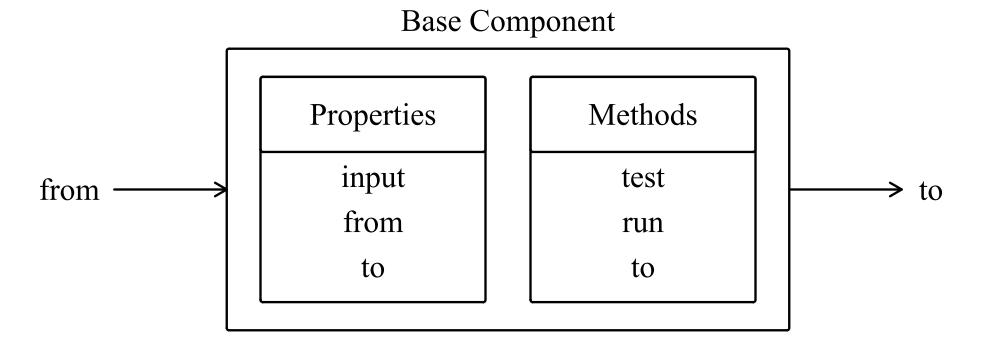


SOFTWARE COMPONENTS





BASE COMPONENT





DATA COMPONENT

- Extract, store, process data
- Location, time, and numbers
- NLP methods for text



NLP WORD DISTRIBUTION

Given a a b c c d:

word	count
a	2
b	1
С	2
d	1



MODEL COMPONENT

- Statistics and machine learning
- Supervised classification: linear regression, naive bayes, decision trees
- Clustering: k-means, mixture models
- Incremental Learning: neural networks



METRIC COMPONENT

Metric	Description
Accuracy	Proportion of correct values
Precision	Correct values using model categories
Recall	Correct values using actual categories
F1 Score	Accuracy using precision and recall
RMSE	Scaled diff. of actual and model values



INTERFACE COMPONENT

- Map
- Dashboard



POTENTIAL EXPERIMENTS

- 1. Traffic Collision Forecasting
- 2. Crime Event Forecasting
- 3. Health Symptom Monitoring and Forecasting



TRAFFIC COLLISION AND CRIME EVENT FORECASTING

- Data: social media, open data, government
- Methods: NLP, supervised learning
- Outcomes: web app and models for forecasts



HEALTH SYMPTOM MONITORING AND FORECASTING

- Data: social media, open data, government
- Methods: NLP, supervised learning, clustering
- Outcomes: web app and models for monitoring and forecasts



PRELIMINARY RESULTS

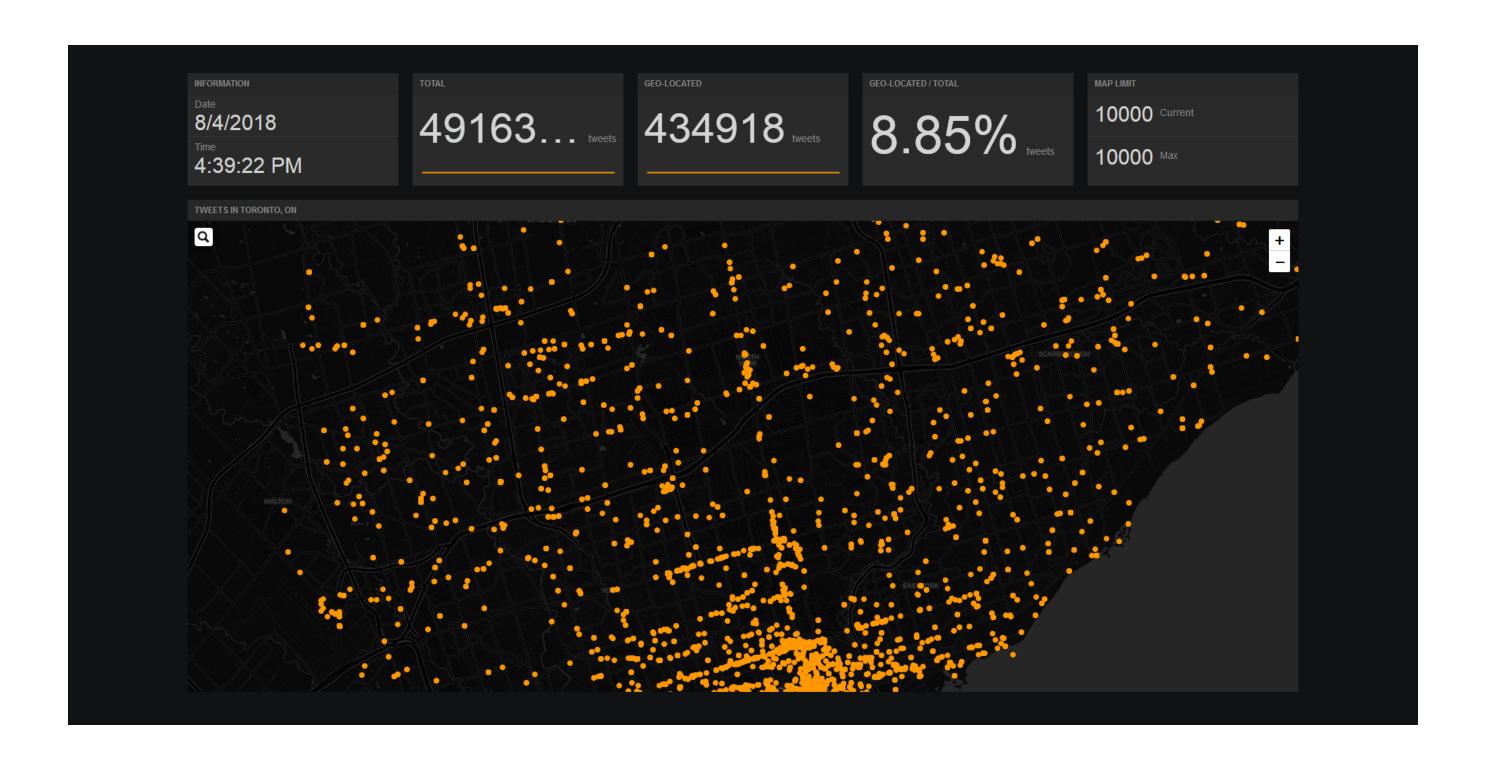


SOFTWARE

- Developed Node.js packages for Twitter data,
 MongoDB, and PostgreSQL
- Explored potential software for framework components
- Hbase, GeoMesa, scikit-learn, Apache Kafka, D3.js



PROTOTYPE DASHBOARD





CONCLUSION

- Context-aware GIS framework and architecture
- Experiments of context-aware GIS
- Methods for forecasting and monitoring security events



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