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# spatial statistics with geoda

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# presentations

◇ volunteers?

## reference

◇ <https://geodacenter.github.io>

◇ there are tutorials and data for practice:

- <https://geodacenter.github.io/documentation.html>
- <https://geodacenter.github.io/data-and-lab/>

## why another software?

- ◇ because geoda is unique!
- ◇ it's not full-fledged gis software like qgis
  - but can have multiple maps/figures and they're linked
- ◇ and it can do spatial statistics
- ◇ let's start with visualizations

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## let's fire it up

- ◇ start-search for-"geoda"
- ◇ the main visual difference with qgis are:
  - geoda has only top menu/icons
  - can do many maps and figures at the same time

## first, let's get some data

- ◇ again, lots of datasets at

<https://geodacenter.asu.edu/sdata>

- ◇ get columbus data

- http:

[//geodacenter.org/downloads/data-files/columbus.zip](http://geodacenter.org/downloads/data-files/columbus.zip)

- ◇ and unzip somewhere

## and load to geoda

- ◇ File-New Project-Input file-'open file icon'-ESRI Shapefile
- ◇ and navigate to wherever you have unzipped columbus data
- ◇ so we have neighborhoods in columbus
- ◇ there is 'Open Table' icon, just below of 'Table' menu
- ◇ like in qgis, can select u/a either in table or in map

## Table menu

- ◇ again, typical things that you have already seen in qgis
- ◇ merging, variable calculator, etc
  - can use those instead of those in qgis if you like...
- ◇ but typical gis (what we have done so far) works little better in qgis
- ◇ here, we'll focus on what qgis cannot do:
  - visualization
  - spatial stats

## histogram (again, always have it for your key var!)

### ◇ Explore-Histogram

- and select INC (income)
- ◇ okay, we got a histogram
  - but it is a super histogram!
- ◇ can right-click and save-as, change num of int, etc
- ◇ we've got a range for each bin
  - num of obs for each bin
- ◇ really cool: click bar to highlight features in the map!
  - and can rectangle select more than one bin
- ◇ typical city: poor in the middle; rich on the fringe

## thematic map—quick and easy

- ◇ Map-Themeless Map is just another map
  - note: can have several maps at the same time
- ◇ Map-Quantile Map, do '5', 'INC'; just like qgis
- ◇ again, note: everything is linked—click class in quantile map and it will highlight in both thematic and themeless map
- ◇ Map-Percentile Map: good for detecting outliers/extremes
  - compare it with quintile map
  - even though none in top/bottom 1%, there are 5 in each top/bottom 10%

## more about thematic maps

- ◇ Map-Unique Values Map would be good for categorical var
- ◇ yet, it does some clustering into bins
- ◇ kind of like 'categorized' (not 'graduated') ramp in qgis

## more about thematic maps

- ◇ Map-Cartogram
- ◇ circle size=CRIME; circle color=INC
- ◇ in general hi income is low crime;
- ◇ but note little blue circle in top left: low inc, low crime
- ◇ i don't like it, i'm old fashioned
- ◇ try other things in map menu
  - explore, use them—convince me to nonstandard maps!
  - as long as it makes sense, and you can explain it, it's great!



## Explore-Scatter Plot

- ◇ like in regular, non-GIS stats package
- ◇ do INC against CRIME, as expected negative relationship
- ◇ note that obs with low income and crime
  - rectangle-select it
    - aha same place as we identified in cartogram
- ◇ very interesting to both correlate and map
- ◇ a great addition to your final project
- ◇ rectangle selecting a subset gives you an idea of slope change!
  - say lets just select in map western columbus—slope is flat

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## why spatial statistics?

- ◇ sounds scary...there is word 'statistics'
  - but we'll only do maps and graphs
  - no formulas, no calculations—relax!
- ◇ all we will do is just correlation in space
- ◇ so called spatial autocorrelation
- ◇ and formally calculated with Moran's I
  - or Local Moran's I (LISA)

## correlation

◇ everyone heard of correlation, right? what is it?

examples?

◇ many things correlate positively; people in space, too

◇ fat people like fat people; smokers like smokers, etc

◇ in short people you spend time with, are like you...

- http:

- //nicholaschristakis.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/  
Spread-of-Alcohol-Consumption-Behavior-in-a-Large-Soci  
pdf

- (last page)

- [http://kelsocartography.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/  
2008/05/gr2008052600099.gif](http://kelsocartography.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2008/05/gr2008052600099.gif)

- [https://www.google.com/search?q=christakis+fowler+  
obesity&tbm=isch](https://www.google.com/search?q=christakis+fowler+obesity&tbm=isch)

## same about anything in space

- ◇ <http://www.thebigsort.com/maps.php>
- ◇ hi-crime neighborhoods next to hi-crime neighborhoods
- ◇ poor blocks next to poor blocks
- ◇ even poor states are next to poor states (Mississippi, Alabama, etc)
- ◇ poor countries cluster together, too: Africa, Latin America, etc
- ◇ in short, things/areas that are close to each other in space are alike

# the first law of geography

- ◇ The first law of geography according to Waldo Tobler is:
- ◇ “Everything is related to everything else,
- ◇ but near things are more related than distant things”
- ◇ keep this in mind! it’s almost always true!
  - do you see this in your research?

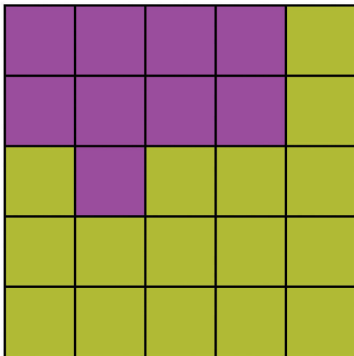
## positive v negative spatial autocorrelation

- ◇ note: autocorrelation
- ◇ correlate values of a var with values of the same var
- ◇ how?
- ◇ we spatially lag a variable (details in next section)
  - and we correlate value of that variable with
  - average value of the same variable in nearby polygons
- ◇ positive if similar values next to each other
- ◇ negative if dissimilar values next to each other
  - details in next section, but can already see it in plain thematic maps

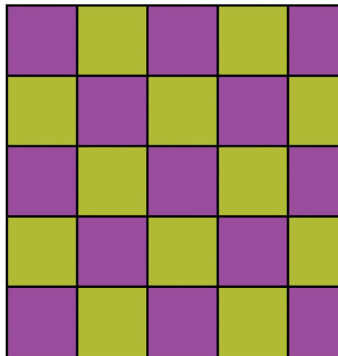
# pos and neg



POSITIVE : Pattern of Similarity



NEGATIVE : Pattern of Dissimilarity





## negative correlation is even more interesting

- ◇ less common than positive correlation: it's more interesting
- ◇ (usually anything less common is more interesting)
- ◇ eg sometimes you will see rich area in the middle of poverty
- ◇ etc

## application: my paper about happiness in Europe

- ◇ <https://sites.google.com/site/adamokuliczkozaryn/pubs/genesis3.pdf>
  - see histogram and maps
- ◇ positive spatial autocorrelation
- ◇ clusters of happy and unhappy provinces
  - and they span across country boundaries
  - it is interesting to identify them and formally test it

## just a thematic map

- ◇ you'll already see or at least sense
  - spatial correlation from regular thematic maps
- ◇ just have a close look, and think about it
  - discuss in ps6, paper
- ◇ and now we'll use geoda to formally test if there is correlation

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## the first step

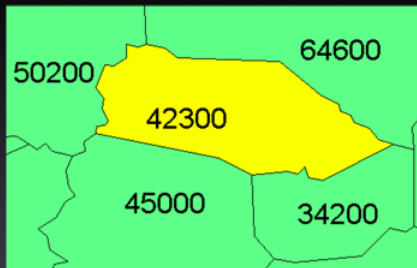
- ◇ the first step before producing spatial corr
- ◇ is to produce spatial weights
- ◇ or spatially lag a variable

## we will spatially lag a variable

- ◇ it's like time lagging a variable **draw a var and its lag**
  - time lagging is useful in exploring temporal precedence
  - eg you may want to know what is the corr/effect of unemployment last year on this year's poverty
- ◇ spatially lagged var: want to know the relationship of
- ◇ a place to its neighbors
- ◇ spatially lagged variable is just
  - an average of values for its neighbors
- ◇ for elaboration see ex17 'spatially lagged vars' p124 of geoda workbook

<https://geodacenter.asu.edu/system/files/geodaworkbook.pdf>

# Spatial Lag Example



Average Neighbor Land Values

$$1/4 \times 50200 + 1/4 \times 45000 + 1/4 \times 34200 + 1/4 \times 64600$$

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# Spatial Lag Example

1 7	2 6	3 4
4 4	5 5	6 4
7 5	8 6	9 3

- Spatial lag = sum of spatially-weighted values of neighboring cells  
$$= 1/3(7) + 1/3(5) + 1/3(4)$$
$$= 5.3$$

Sample Region and Units





## let's do it! create weights

- ◇ Tools-Weights-Create
- ◇ Weights File ID Variable: POLYID
  - usually fips or some unique ID/KEY var identifier of a place
  - (i think it must be numeric)
- ◇ and now the key part: defining neighbors
- ◇ who is a neighbor?

## 2 ways

- ◇ contiguity based (we'll just do these):
  - neighbor of place A touches on place A
- ◇ distance based: neighbor of place A is within some distance of place A

## 2 types of contiguity weights

- ◇ usually just pick queen contiguity—neighbor is any place that neighbors our place
  - at least must share a vertex, say North, North-East, etc
- ◇ can do rook: must share a border, not just vertex
  - so *\*not\** North-East

## rook v queen



- ◇ Rook: only 2,4,6, 8; Queen: all (i.e. 1-8)

## order of contiguity

- ◇ in geoda can choose higher orders
- ◇ i.e. neighbors of my neighbors are my neighbors...
- ◇ we'll just stick with 1st order
- ◇ for more info and elaboration:
  - <https://geodacenter.asu.edu/node/380>

## save it

- ◇ note it will create a file with extension .gal
- ◇ it's just a text file; let's explore it in text editor
- ◇ Start button- and search for 'notepad' and fire it up
  - navigate to where you saved .gal file
  - make sure you select 'all files' at bottom-right
  - and open .gal file

## exploring gal file

- ◇ line 2: '1 2': POLYID 1 has 2 neighbors
- ◇ l3: '2 3' and these neighbors are POLYID 2,3
- ◇ l4: '2 3': POLYID 2 has 3 neighbors
- ◇ l5: '4 3 1' and these are POLYID 4,3,1
- ◇ and so on
- ◇ do not trust anybody
- ◇ let's look them up with table and highlight
- ◇ and confirm in map that indeed this is the case !

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- ◇ again, see geoda workbook's appropriate chapter

<https://geodacenter.asu.edu/system/files/geodaworkbook.pdf> [detailed, but dry]

- ◇ a very brief overview

[https://geodacenter.asu.edu/system/files/SA\\_Concept\\_Demo.pdf](https://geodacenter.asu.edu/system/files/SA_Concept_Demo.pdf) [very good!]

## got weights?

- ◇ in previous sec, we have created weights...
- ◇ make sure you have them selected:
- ◇ Tools-Weights-Select: 'Select from currently used'
  - should point to your .gal file

# Moran's I

- ◇ it's a basic spatial statistic
- ◇ just like regular correlation (from -1 to 1)
- ◇ Space-Univariate Moran's I: CRIME
- ◇ and it's .5 meaning that
  - there is a moderate positive spatial autocorr in CRIME
- ◇ we've expected that from thematic map
- ◇ note that y-axis is lagged crime
- ◇ select some obs and discuss: its and its nei crime
  - see in a map; select some other obs that is diff

## Moran's I

- ◇ i can also rectangle select points in scatterplot
- ◇ let' select those in top-right (hi-hi): central city
- ◇ now bottom-left (lo-lo): outer areas
- ◇ now outlier in top-left (lo-hi: low crime but hi crime around)
- ◇ let's look back at thematic map—indeed that place is low crime
  - but its neighbors are high crime
- ◇ there isn't a clear outlier with hi-lo at bottom right

## Moran's I: HOVAL

- ◇ how about housing value (HOVAL)
- ◇ make thematic map and Moran's scatter plot
- ◇ much less clear clustering, and few hi-lo, lo-hi
- ◇ highlight them in scatter and compare in thematic map

# LISA

- ◇ LISA is a Local Moran's I
- ◇ Space-Univariate Local Moran's I: CRIME
  - and select all three maps
- ◇ it nicely identifies clusters
- ◇ again, compare with thematic map

# application

- ◇ <https://sites.google.com/site/adamokuliczkozaryn/pubs/genesis3.pdf>
- see Moran's I scatterplot
- <http://people.hmdc.harvard.edu/~akozaryn/myweb/papers/genesis/>
- see output from Geoda online

## so what?

- ◇ Moran's I and LISA help make sense of thematic maps
- ◇ they identify patterns, clusters, outliers
- ◇ very useful !
- ◇ e.g. is poverty concentrated ? etc etc
- ◇ I would be really happy if I see them in final project
- ◇ likewise, histograms are very nice for paper...
- ◇ and histogram for your key variable is necessary
  - (don't forget about interpretation!)
  - (don't ever show anything that you don't interpret)



## so what?

- ◇ and it does matter where in the cluster one is located
- ◇ eg being poor in the middle of poverty may be better
- ◇ than being poor next to rich
- ◇ suicide among females in rural china:
  - not absolute but relative deprivation

## we're doing space, but think about time, too

- ◇ not only focus on location of greatest poverty, crime etc
- ◇ over-time changes matter, too
- ◇ greatest or smallest increase
- ◇ largest change from well-established trend
- ◇ trend
- ◇ etc
- ◇ show 2 maps, say 1950 map next to 2000 map
- ◇ or calculate new var  $(2000-1950)/1950$