# HUMAN MOBILITY IN AN URBAN CONTEXT

Public transportation and Points-Of-Interest:
The case of the city of Trento

Computational Models of Human Behaviour

## Human Mobility Science:

- Human Mobility quantitatively studies individual and collective mobility patterns.
- A significant proportion of our everyday lives has always been spent getting from one place to another.
- The aim of human mobility science is to generate models that can describe and predict regularities and patterns in human trajectories.
- There is an increasing number of sources of data (mobile devices with GPS, but also different data-source such as bank notes, CDRs, ad hoc surveys), that allows to track human trajectories.
- Mobility has big impact on many aspects of everyday-life: health and epidemics, urban planning, traffic flows and public transportation.

<u>Transport behaviour is rooted in human behaviour</u>

#### Points-of-Interest:

- POI is a specific point location that someone may find useful or interesting (<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Point\_of\_interest">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Point\_of\_interest</a>)
- Basically, point of interest are able to explain at least partly- the patterns that shapes individual's movements

# Aim of the analysis:

■ There is a deep connection between human mobility and Points of Interest.

- Is it possible to recognize the same connection between public transportation and POI?
- Since as already mentioned human mobility influence public transportation, do POIs influence the routes of urban buses?

The study case of Trento.

#### Previous studies:

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## Data and analysis:

#### DATASET USED FOR THE ANALYSIS:

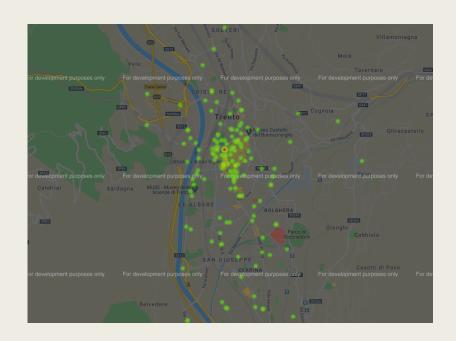
- TRENTINO TRASPORTI GTFS ('GENERAL TRANSIT FEED SPECIFICATION')
   https://www.dati.gov.it/dataset/trasporti-pubblici-trentino-formato-gtfs
   https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/open-data
- POINT-OF-INTEREST

https://dati.trentino.it/dataset/e491b841-cc4a-47e3-9d6e-0c54436bb98f/resource/e572c92e-05dc-41b7-ba22e9898bddc85c/download/apttrentocensimentoappwudefinitivopart2.csv

# Metodology:

Heat map of the POINT-OF-INTEREST





- Flux of public transport in the city
- Trips.txt, shapes.txt and stops.txt for a pseudo satellite image

(http://simplistic.me/playing-with-gtfs-iii-geo-graphs.html#Interactive-bokeh-maps)

# Findings:

Having plotted the distribution of POI in the city and the fluxes – or at least the stops – of urban buses, the aim is to check for the connections/similarities between these two maps.

In particular, one would expect that bus stops are as close as possible to POI, given that these hotspots can be seen approximately as the most crowded/attractive places for individuals.

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Thanks for your attention!