

LOCATION PREDICTION ON SYMBOLIC TRAJECTORIES OVER ROAD-NETWORKS

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1. INTRODUCTION

What and why location prediction?



TRAJECTORY DATA

Location-based services, GPS, sensors loops, cameras of traffic surveillance, bluetooth, social media and others







Why location prediction?

Smart Transportation

Urban Planning

(Personalized) Recommender Systems

Resources management

93%

is the potential predictability of human mobility.

Results found by SONG et al. (2010)

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CHALLENGES IN LOCATION PREDICTION (FENG et. al., 2018)



2. STATE OF THE ART

STATE OF THE ART Trajectory Data



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STATE OF THE ART Raw Trajectory

Sequence of **positions** and **time**

- <<lat1,lon1,t1>, <lat2,lon2,t2>, <lat3,lon3,t3>, ..., <latN,lonN,tN>}
- Usually restricted to some subset of trajectories



STATE OF THE ART Symbolic Trajectory

- Sequence of pairs of locations labels (from an alphabet) and time
 - {<label1, t1>, <label2, t2>, <label3, time>, ..., <labelN, tN>}

STATE OF THE ART Symbolic Trajectory

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• e.g. Sequence of check-ins from Social Media



Zhao et al. (2017). A time-aware trajectory embedding model for next-location recommendation. Knowledge and Information Systems.

STATE OF THE ART Semantic Trajectory

- Sequence of pairs of **location** and **time**, plus semantic information
 - e.g. Sequence of check-ins from Social Media plus hashtags



Zhang, C., Zhang, K., Yuan, Q., Zhang, L., Hanratty, T., & Han, J. (2016). GMove: Group-Level Mobility Modeling Using Geo-Tagged Social Media. KDD.

STATE OF THE ART Techniques



STATE OF THE ART Pattern-based approaches

▷ TPRED

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ROCHA et al. (2016). TPRED: a Spatio-Temporal Location Predictor Framework. IDEAS.

- GPS traces
- Identify stops and builds a suffix tree with transitions between stops
- MyWay

TRASARTI et al. (2017). MyWay: Location prediction via mobility profiling. Information Systems.

- GPS traces
- Clustering to create profiles
- Matching based on trajectory and profiles geometries

STATE OF THE ART Pattern-based approaches

▶ NASARIAN et al. (2018)

Personalized location prediction for group travellers from spatial-temporal trajectories. Future Generation Computer Systems.

- Symbolic trajectories + profile information
- Clustering to identify types of groups using profiles
- Sequential rules and matching

▷ CPT+

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Gueniche, T., Fournier-Viger, P., Raman, R., & Tseng, V. S. (2015). CPT+: Decreasing the time/space complexity of the compact prediction tree. Lecture Notes in Computer Science.

- Prediction tree for sequence prediction
- Can be applied for symbolic trajectories
- Does not consider time



STATE OF THE ART Model-based approaches

Markov based

- ⊳ GMove
- Description Zhang et al. (2016). GMove : Group-Level Mobility Modeling Using Geo-Tagged Social Media. KDD.
 - Social media + keywords
 - Embedded HMM
 - Keywords used on group identification

STATE OF THE ART Model-based approaches

Recurrent Neural Networks

Usually enrich embedded models with information about time, semantic, user preferences

▷ ST-RNN

Liu et al. (2016). Predicting the Next Location : A Recurrent Model with Spatial and Temporal Contexts. AAAI..

▷ SERM

Yao et al. (2017). SERM: A Recurrent Model for Next Location Prediction in Semantic Trajectories. CIKM.

▷ TA-TEM

Zhao et al. (2017). A time-aware trajectory embedding model for next-location recommendation. Knowledge and Information Systems.

DeepMove

Jie Feng, Yong Li, Chao Zhang, Funing Sun, Fanchao Meng, Ang Guo, D. J. (2018). DeepMove: Predicting Human Mobility with Attentional Recurrent Networks. WWW.

STATE OF THE ART Overview

- More recent approaches focus on models based on Recurrent Neural Networks
- Data sets are restricted to an **specific sample** of trajectories
 - **Raw** trajectories: Particular types of fleet
 - **Symbolic** trajectories: Check-ins/Events
 - **Semantic** trajectories: Check-ins + Textual information
- Do not match the trajectory with the information provided by the road network

3. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Location Prediction for Symbolic Trajectories over the Road-Network

Location Prediction for Symbolic Trajectories over Road-Networks

- **Given:** A set of symbolic trajectories over a road-network
 - Trajectories are a sequence of landmarks over the road-network
- **Goal**: Predict the next location given the recent trajectory
- More complete dataset of symbolic trajectories
 - More than one million of vehicles
 - **Exhaustive** types of trajectories
- Consider network characteristics + Time + User preferences



General Goals

Predict next location on symbolic trajectories considering

- Road-network
 - Enrich the model with network information
- Trajectory sparsity
- Temporal context
- Big data volume



4. INITIAL EVALUATION

INITIAL EVALUATION Goals

- Understand the dataset
- Apply more basic existing approaches for sequential prediction to see how it works
- Question: Is the sequence prediction enough to predict the trajectories without time?

INITIAL EVALUATION Dataset

Landmarks:

746 cameras and sensors of traffic surveillance

- Main collected features:
 - ⊳ timestamp
 - position
 - plate (= vehicle id)
 - ⊳ speed
 - type of road
 - and others





INITIAL EVALUATION Dataset

Whole dataset:

- More than one million of distinct vehicles
- ▶ Total number of points: 367,857,722
- From 2017-04-04 to 2018-05-01



INITIAL EVALUATION Analysis of Predictability with Sequence Predictors

Algorithms for Sequence Prediction

 DG , TDAG, CPT+, Markov Model First Order, Markov Model Kth Order (AKOM), LZ78

All algorithms available on the SPMF Library

- Size of window = 3
- Consequent size = 2 (To next locations are the ground truth)
- From 10,000 to 50,000 trajectories with size \geq 10

INITIAL EVALUATION Success

	DG	TDAG	CPT+	Mark1	AKOM	LZ78
10000	70.710	72.542	68.077	68.944	72.776	69.044
20000	67.355	70.222	61.656	66.589	70.405	67.055
30000	67.948	<mark>71.13</mark> 7	59.171	66.459	71.237	66.848
40000	66.586	70. <mark>4</mark> 36	60.128	64.645	70.527	64.895
50000	65.049	69.295	57.483	63.736	69.369	64.089

 From 60% to 70% of accuracy

- not temporal
- only global

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INITIAL EVALUATION Memory Consumption

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	DG	TDAG	CPT+	Mark1	AKOM	LZ78
10000	0.051	1.055	0.216	0.027	0.688	0.222
20000	0.060	2.076	0.445	0.037	1.345	0.446
30000	0.090	2.971	0.728	0.051	1.925	0.644
40000	0.106	3.908	0.976	0.064	2.533	0.838
50000	0.110	4.803	1.216	0.072	3.111	1.032

DG TDAG CPT+ Mark1 AKOM LZ78

Size (MB)





INITIAL EVALUATION Test Time

	DG	TDAG	CPT+	Mark1	AKOM	LZ78	10
10000	0.003	0.007	7.025	0.002	0.003	0.022	
20000	0.006	0.011	24.650	0.005	0.006	0.070	
30000	0.010	0.011	55.028	0.008	0.009	0.131	10
40000	0.013	0.017	101.834	0.013	0.012	0.171	
50000	0.015	0.019	185.749	0.017	0.016	0.294	

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Test time (sec)



INITIAL EVALUATION Results

- Models for sequence prediction able to predict with accuracy from 60% to 70%
- Does not take into account:
 - Temporal context of trajectories
 - Road Network
 - User preferences

Word Embedding

- Represent an item (word) as a vector of numbers
- Between two words depends on the vector representation
- **Ex. One hot representation**
 - High dimensional



Figure. One hot representation.

Word2Vec

Mikolov, T., Chen, K., Corrado, G., & Dean, J. (2013). Efficient Estimation of Word Representations in Vector Space. NIPS.

- embedded model
- predictor based on neural networks
- lower dimensional vector
- context of words



Male-Female

Figure. Vizualize Word2Vec. https://www.tensorflow.org/tutorials/word2vec

Capture links between sensors sharing trajectories

- DATA SET: 400 SENSORS
- ONE WEEK OF OBSERVATIONS



Figure. Links between KNN according to Euclidean Distance (k=4).



Figure. Links between KNN according to word2vec similarity. (k=4)

Histogram of Euclidean Distance Similar word2vec Items KNN Items

5. ONGOING WORK



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- RNN are the state-of-art for location prediction
- Memory" which captures previous information
- LSTM (Long Short Term Memory) for long sequences



http://www.wildml.com/2015/09/recurrent-neural-networks-tutorial-part-1-introduction-to-rnns/

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RECURRENT NEURAL NETWORKS State of art for location prediction

ST-RNN (LIU et al. 2016)

- Check-ins/Events
- Continuous values in spatial and temporal contexts
- SERM (YAO et al. 2017)
 - Check-ins + time + text messages
- ▶ TA-TEM (ZHAO et al. 2017)
 - Check-ins + dynamic and static user preferences + weekly and daily patterns
- DeepMove (FENG et al. 2018)
 - Symbolic trajectories



5. CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS



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State of the art

- RNN are the state-of-art for location prediction
- Restricted dataset vs More completed (Exhaustive types of trajectories)
- Sequential predictors can predict symbolic trajectory, but do not consider time

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Next steps

- How to consider the road network to enrich the models and reach better accuracy?
- Explore RNN + Network information

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