



MOBILITY TRENDS AND IMPLICATIONS

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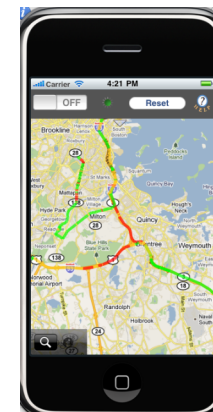
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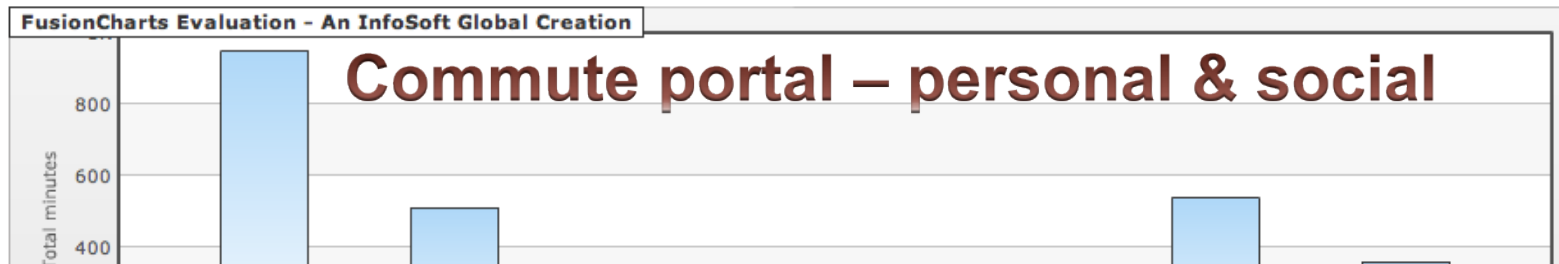
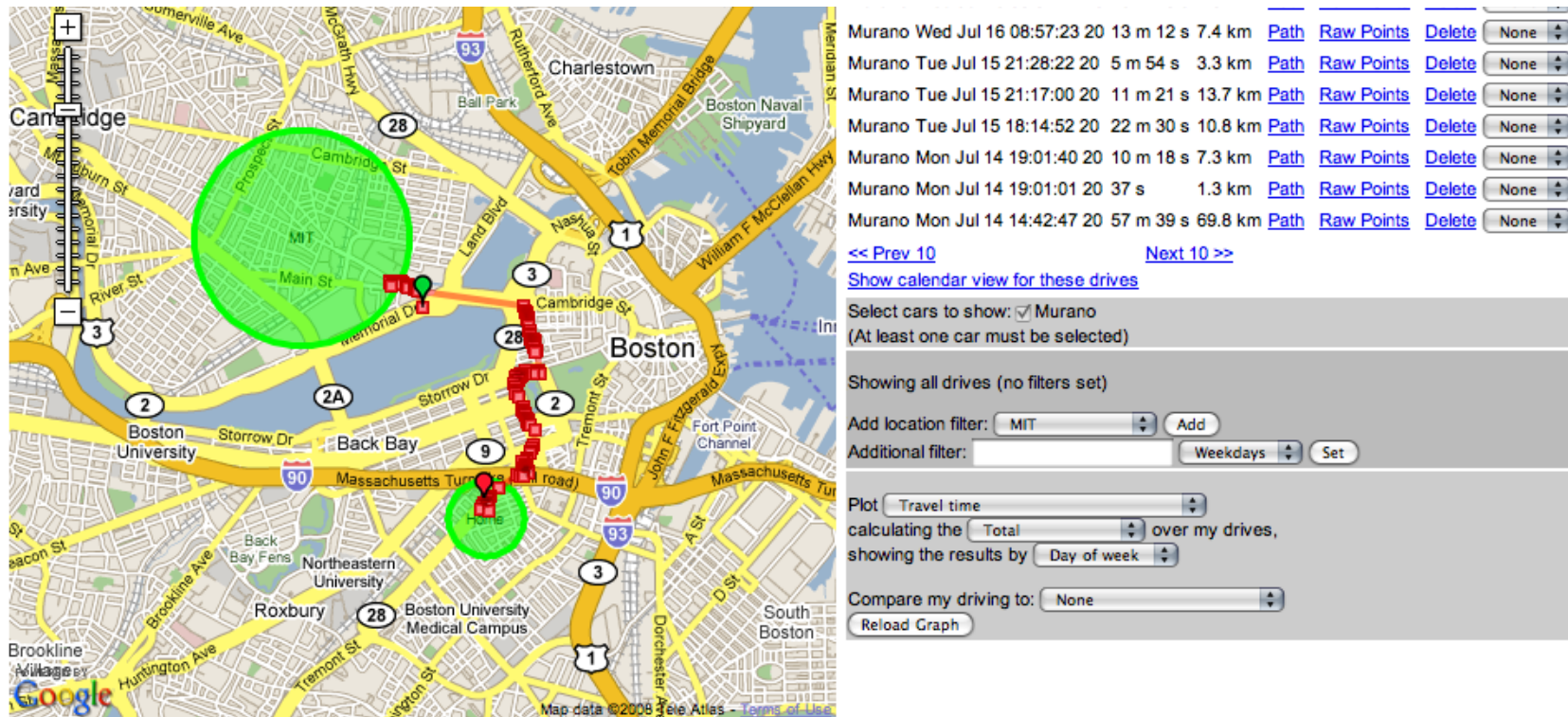
2011 – 5 billion

- More than # of cars (source IEA)
- 1 billion “mobile”
- Incredible source of data → many new applications
 - *Sensor data* – positions, movement, orientation, proximity, activity



CarTel: Sensing Roads With Phones

“Crowdsourced” collection of data from roads



CarTel is a collaboration between Profs. Madden, Balakrishnan, and their students. See <http://cartel.csail.mit.edu>

Personal Medical Monitoring

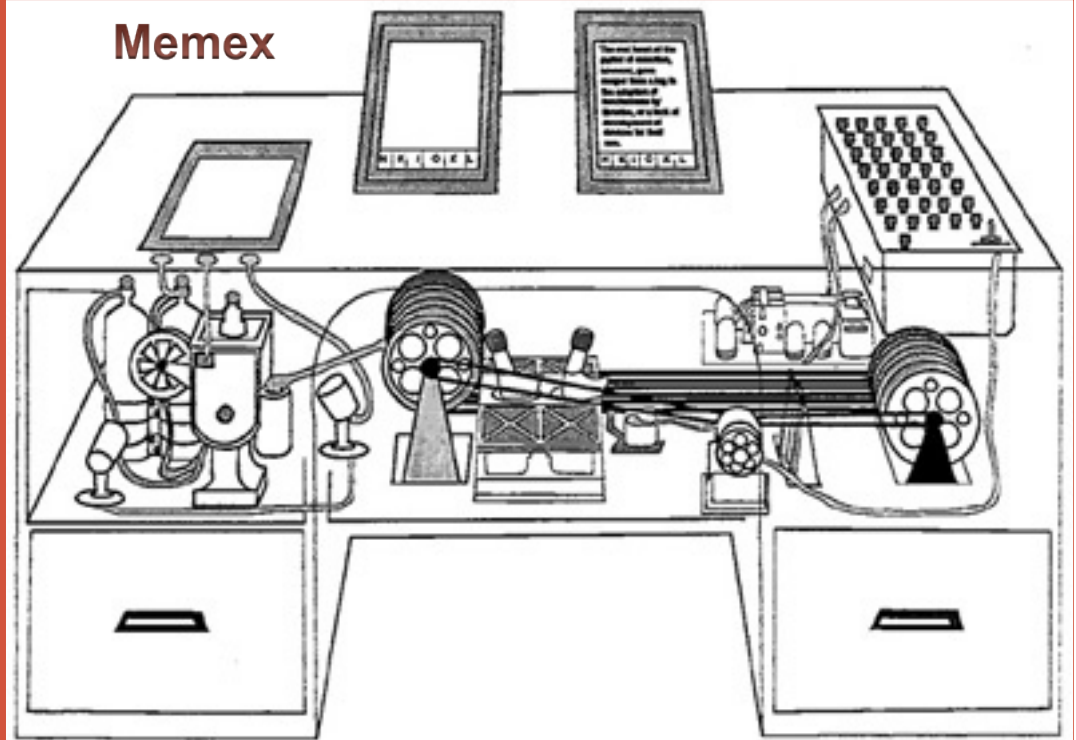


Urban Activity Monitoring



Smart Tolling, Insurance

Memex

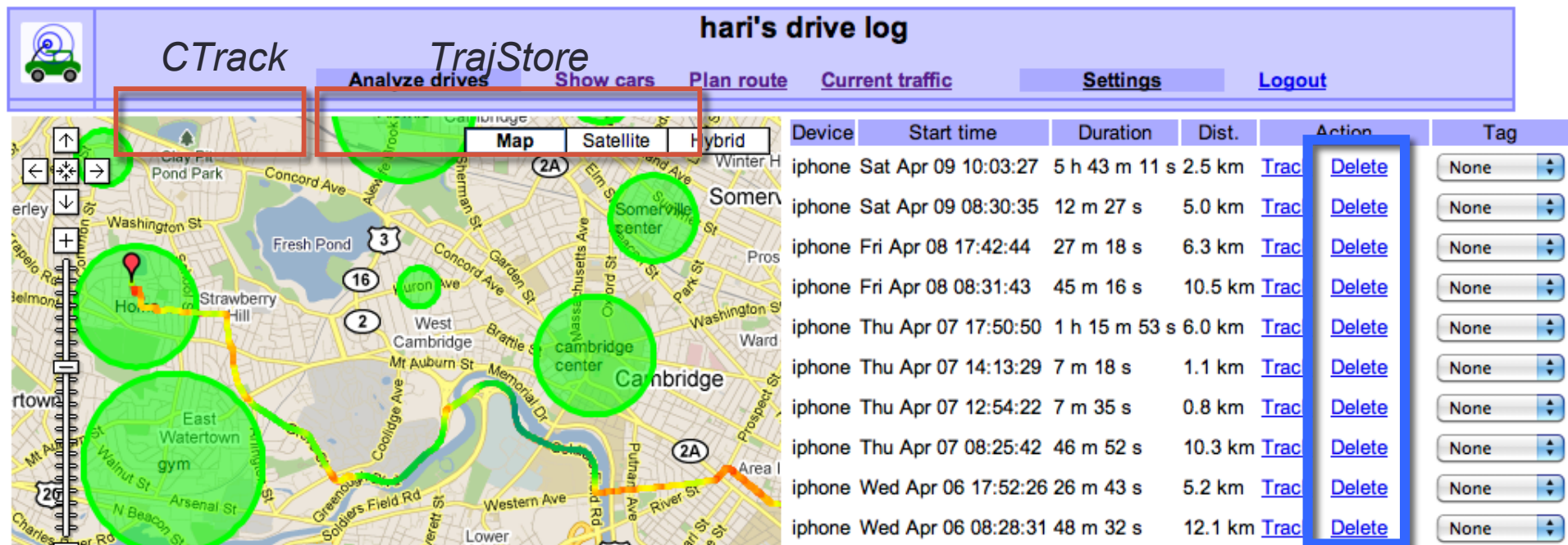


Sensor Data (Location) Analytics

- 500M+ locations from hundreds of phones and cars

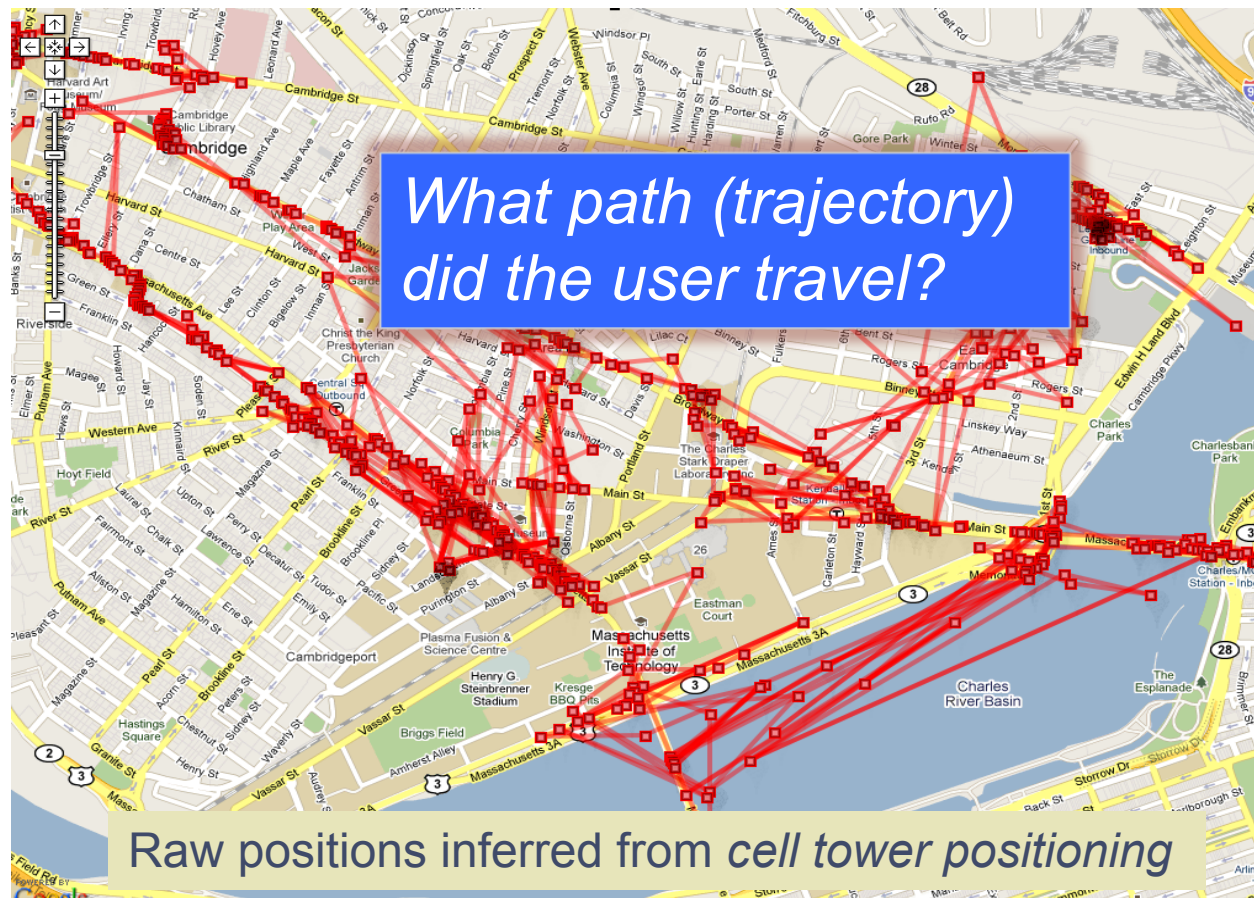
Privacy
Control & Transparency

- Goal: Develop software to store and efficiently access such data *while providing users control over privacy*



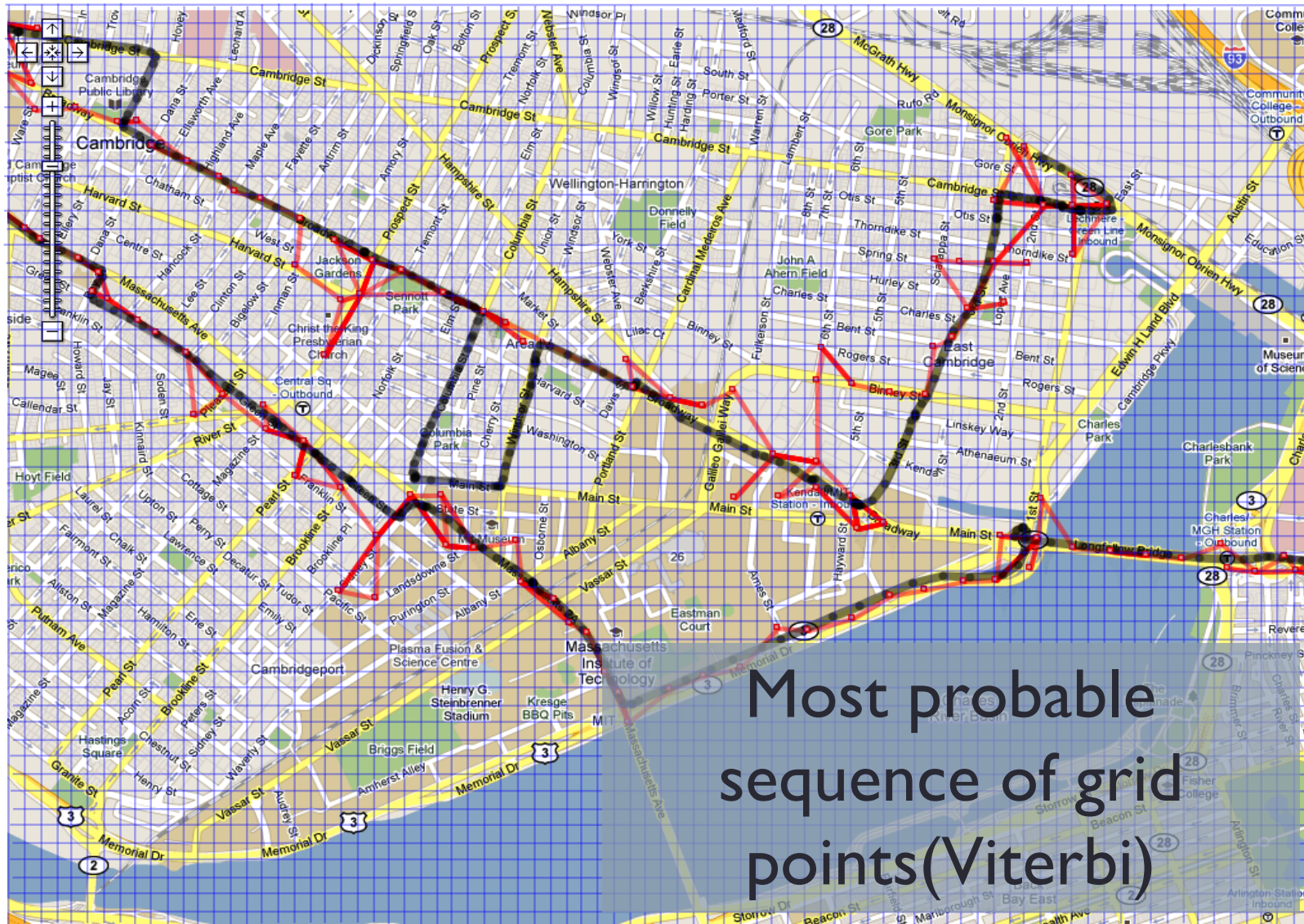
CTrack *Three step algorithm*

Challenge: Raw Data Points → Trajectories (Roads Driven)



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Grid Sequence

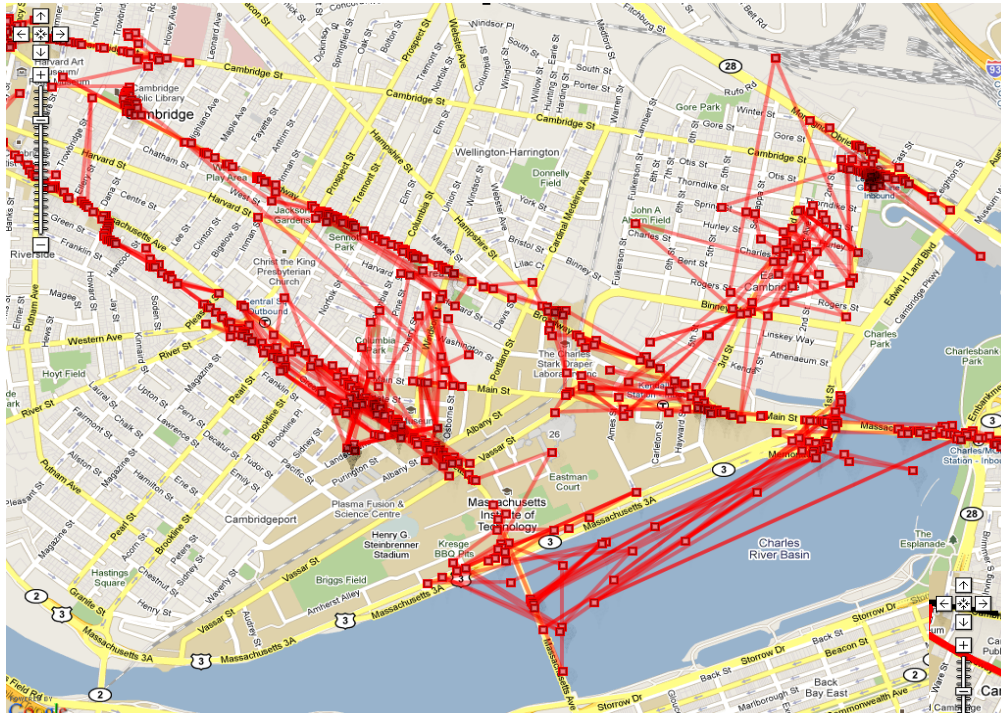


Smooth + Interpolate Grid Sequence



Smoothed Grid → Road Segments





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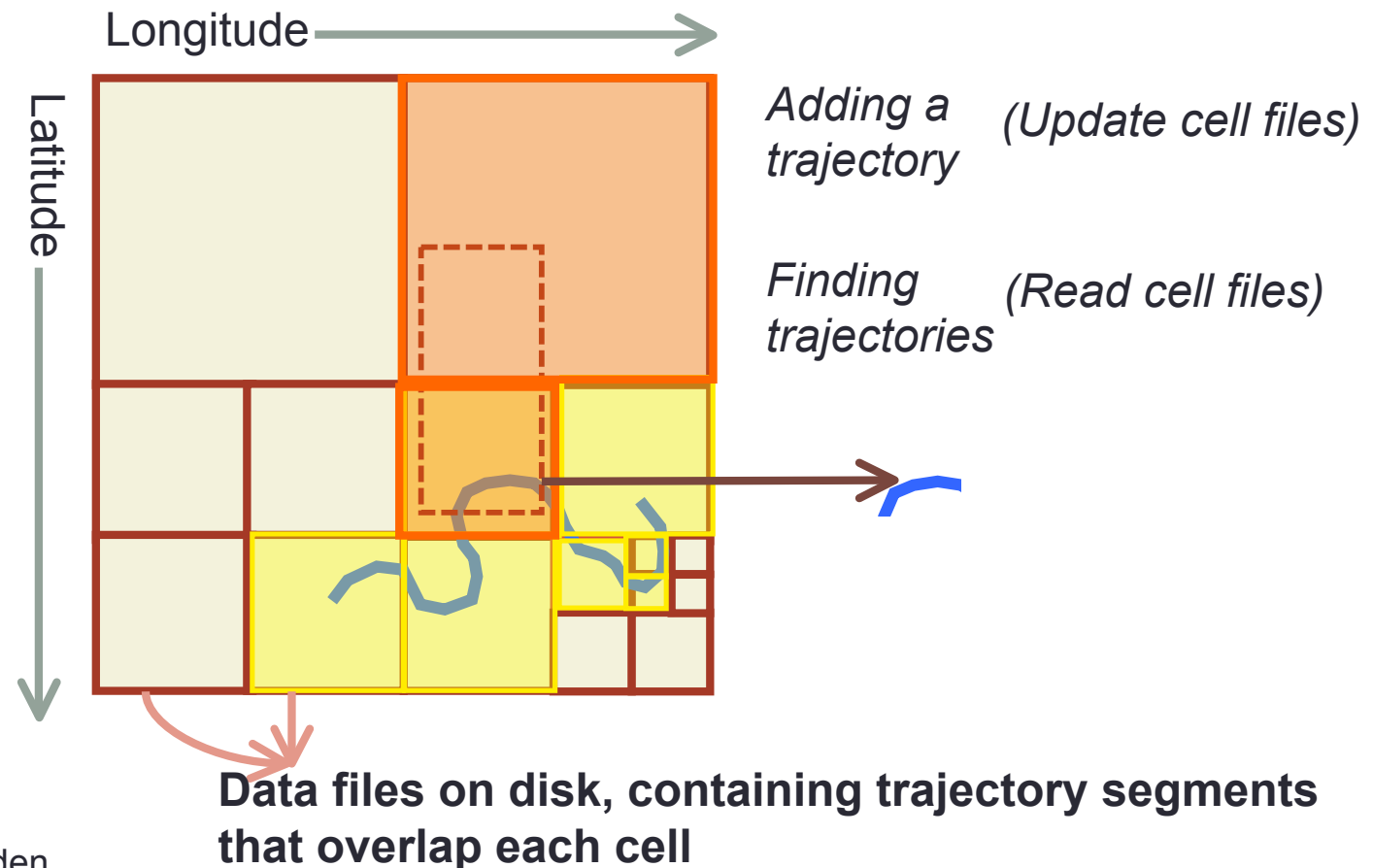
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TrajStore

Cells split as density of data grows

- Storage system for indexing and querying trajectories



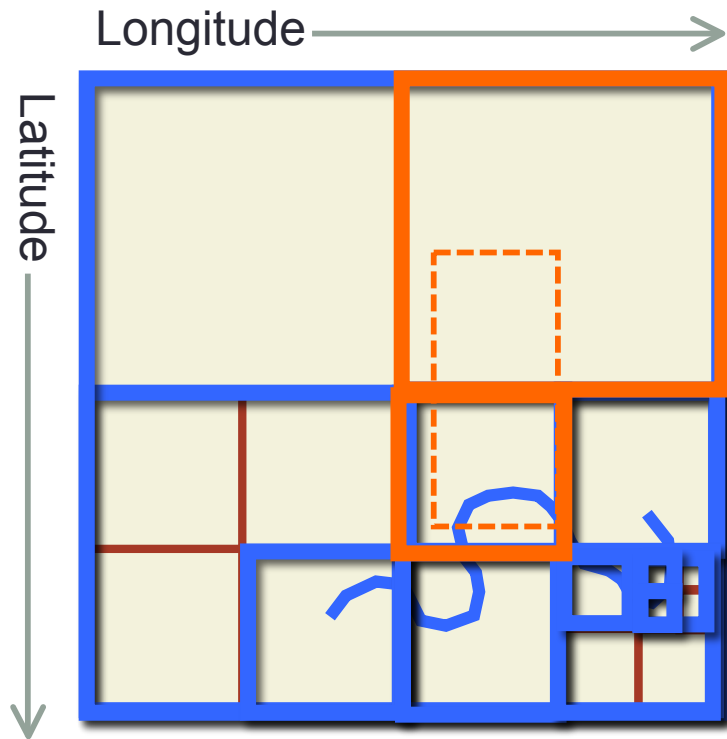
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TrajStore

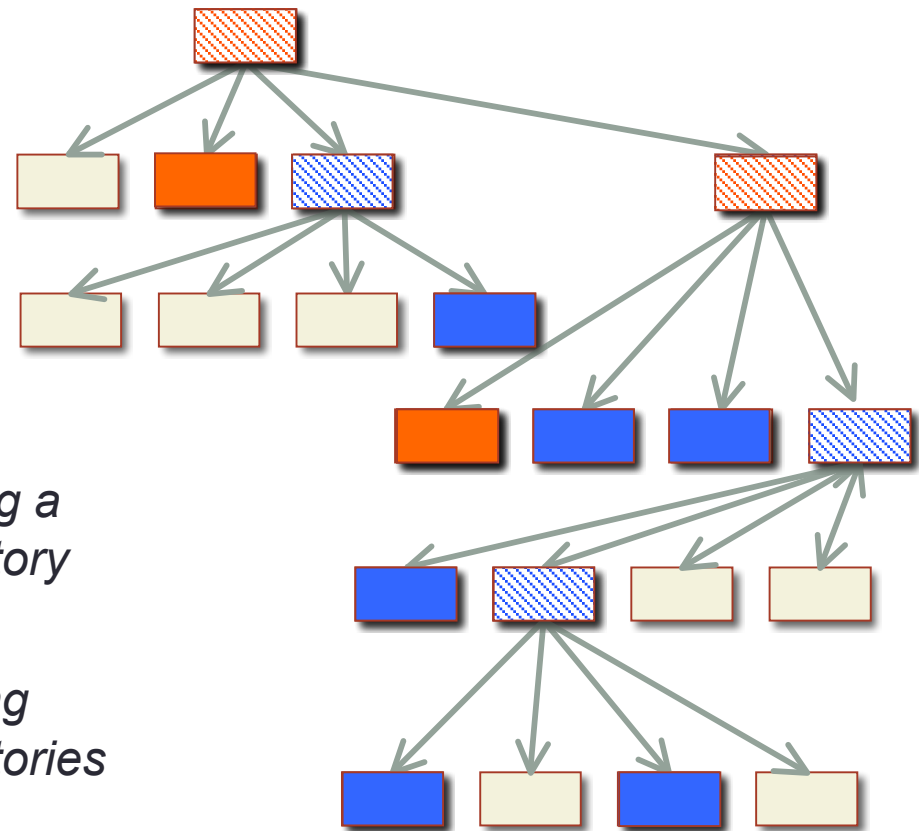
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*Adding a
trajectory*

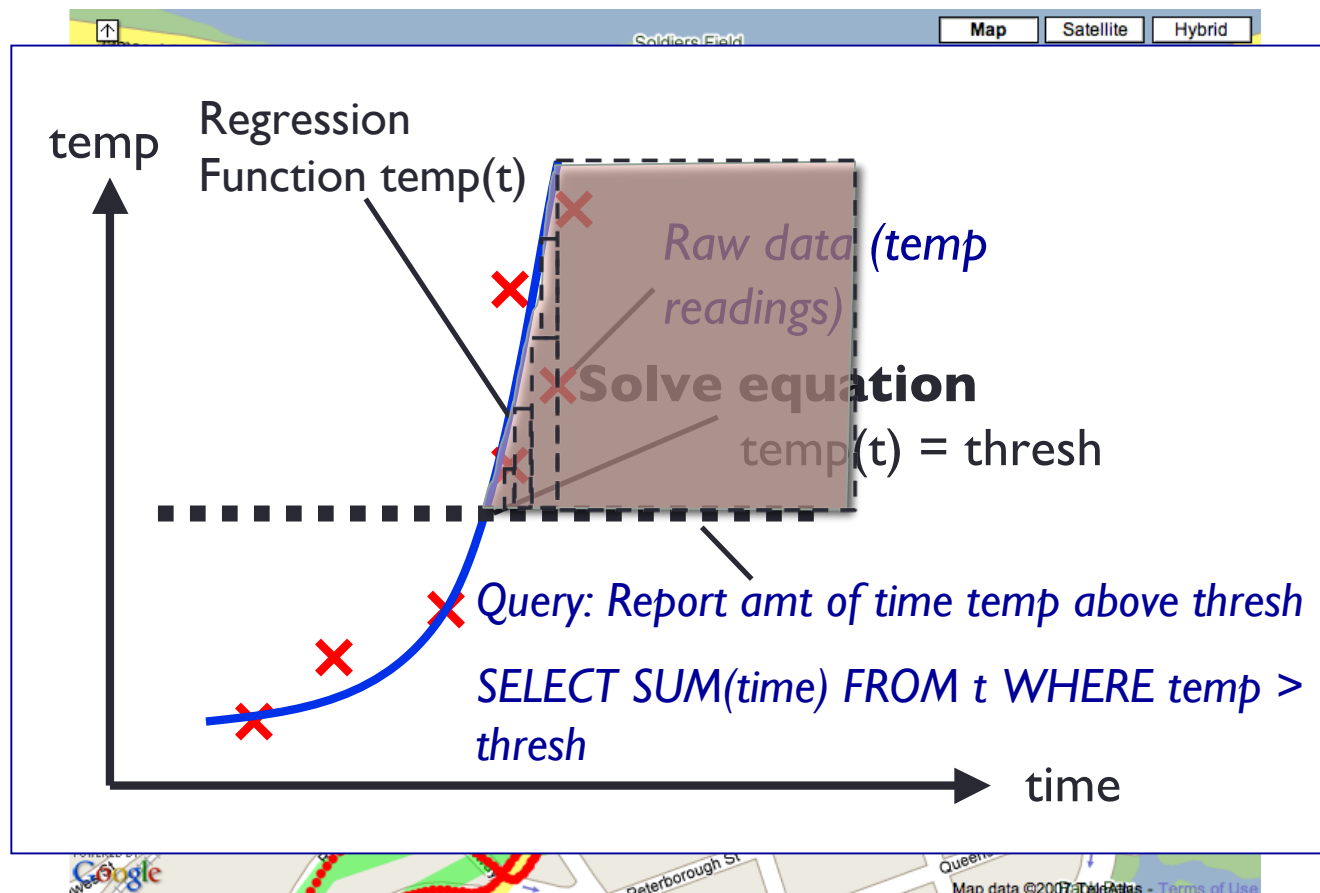
*Finding
trajectories*



FunctionDB

System for asking questions over trajectories

E.g., find paths that went through a rectangle



SELECT trajectories
FROM trajectoryDB
WHERE trajectory
INTERSECT
rectangle
Query answering via
function solving

FunctionDB
discretizes region of
interest into
hypercubes

Makes solving
tractable

Summary

- Location-aware mobile devices incredible “driver” of new applications and source of data
- CarTel Applications: traffic, potholes, commute portal, ...
- New approaches needed to filter, store, query this data
- Two technologies:
 - CTrack: Noisy positions → Trajectories
 - TrajStore: Storage System for Trajectory Data

Implications for Database Weenies?



Rest of This Session

- Three other uses of location data
- Oliver Senn, MIT