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Dero ZAP!

a model for incentivizing and tracking bicycling in an urban core

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A PROGRAM OF THE DOWNTOWN MINNEAPOLIS TMO



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About Commuter Connection

- Transportation Management Organization
- Commuter Connection was created by the City Council in 1991 as a public-private partnership of the City of Minneapolis and downtown business community to;
 - **maximize the use of existing transportation infrastructure**
 - **reduce traffic congestion**
 - **improve air quality**
 - **encourage and facilitate mode shift to non-drive-alone traffic**
- Funded by a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant

About Dero ZAP!

- Dero is a bicycle parking company based out of Minneapolis
- ZAP! system was initially developed for SRTS programs
- ZAP! utilizes RFID technology to track bicycles
- ZAP! units are easily moveable



DERO
BIKE RACKS



About downtown Minneapolis

- Largest employment center in Minnesota with over 139,000 jobs
- 26% or 36,000 of individuals working in downtown live within 5 miles
- Approximately 45% of downtown commuters use alternative modes of transportation



How Dero ZAP! Works

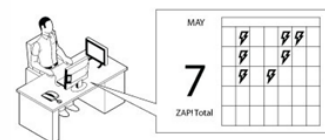
1. Participants attach a tamper-proof RFID to their bike. The administrator links the RFID tag to the participant.



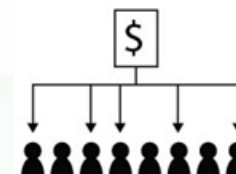
2. Readers are placed. Commuters bike through the read zone to register their bike trip.



3. Participants can also record their trips and check how many trips they have accumulated online.



4. System administrators can view data and incentivize participants



How Dero ZAP! Works

ENERGY ZAP! [Contact Us](#)

Email Address:

Password:

LOG IN [forgot password](#)

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Rides and counting...
203 Active Riders

	Today	This Week	This Month	This Year	Since 2009
Rides Counted:	24	139	435	1,907	5,995
Miles Biked:	154	742	2,180	10,466	34,429
Calories Burned:	4,776	23,014	67,589	324,439	1,067,292
Lbs CO ₂ Reduced:	107	514	1,511	7,251	23,854
Gal. Gas Saved:	6	27	78	374	1,230

Healthy Habits are in Motion

Dero ZAP is a wireless, solar powered bike counting system which uses RFID technology to identify and record individual bike commuting statistics.

Use Dero ZAP to encourage bicycle commuting as a healthy, green mode of transportation.

For more detailed information see our [Dero ZAP product page](#)

Watch the Video

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COMMUTER CHOICE AWARDS 2010

Welcome, Andrew | [Logout](#)
Administrator: [Commuter Connection](#)

ENERGY ZAP! [Dashboard](#) [My Account](#) [Users](#) [Stations](#) April 13, 2011, 12:19 pm CDT

Dashboard

ZAP Station Health

1 Stations Total
0 With Errors
0 Disabled
1 Healthy & Active

[List Stations](#)

ZAP Statistics

0 ZAPs Today
0 ZAPs This Week
0 ZAPs This Month
0 ZAPs Last Month
0 ZAPs This Year

[ZAP Reports](#)

Top 5 This Month

[List Users](#)

[Manuals \(PDF\)](#) [ZAP Installation](#) [Administrator's Manual](#)

	Today	This Week	This Month	This Year	Since 2009
Rides Counted:	0	0	0	0	0
Miles Biked:	0	0	0	0	0
Calories Burned:	0	0	0	0	0
Lbs CO ₂ Reduced:	0	0	0	0	0
Gal. Gas Saved:	0	0	0	0	0



Program Goals

- Automatically tracking bicyclers entering the downtown Minneapolis core using RFID technology
- Incentivize bicycling for program participants
- Education and Outreach
- Provide data to employers, property managers, city and other transportation partners
- Work with employers and property managers to increase bicycle friendliness at worksites in downtown Minneapolis
- Complete feasibility study with insurance industry to utilize program to reduce health insurance costs

Program Model

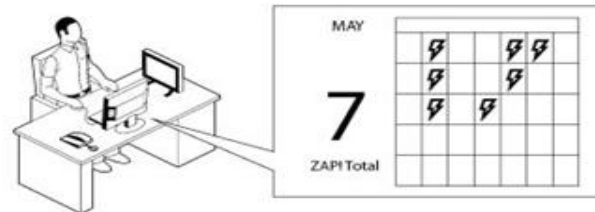
- 1 New participants bring their bikes in and an administrator attaches a tamper-proof RFID tag to their bike. The administrator links the RFID tag to the participant via a web-based interface. The participants bike is also registered with the National Bicycle Registry.



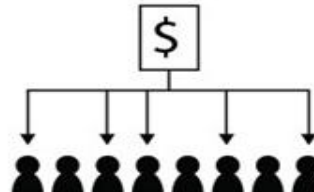
- 2 Readers are placed around the perimeter of downtown Minneapolis. Each reader is surrounded by a clearly indicated zone. Commuters bike through the read zone to register their bike trip and points are automatically applied to the commuters account. For each trip commuters are awarded 1 point to be used to redeem bicycle gear and services online.



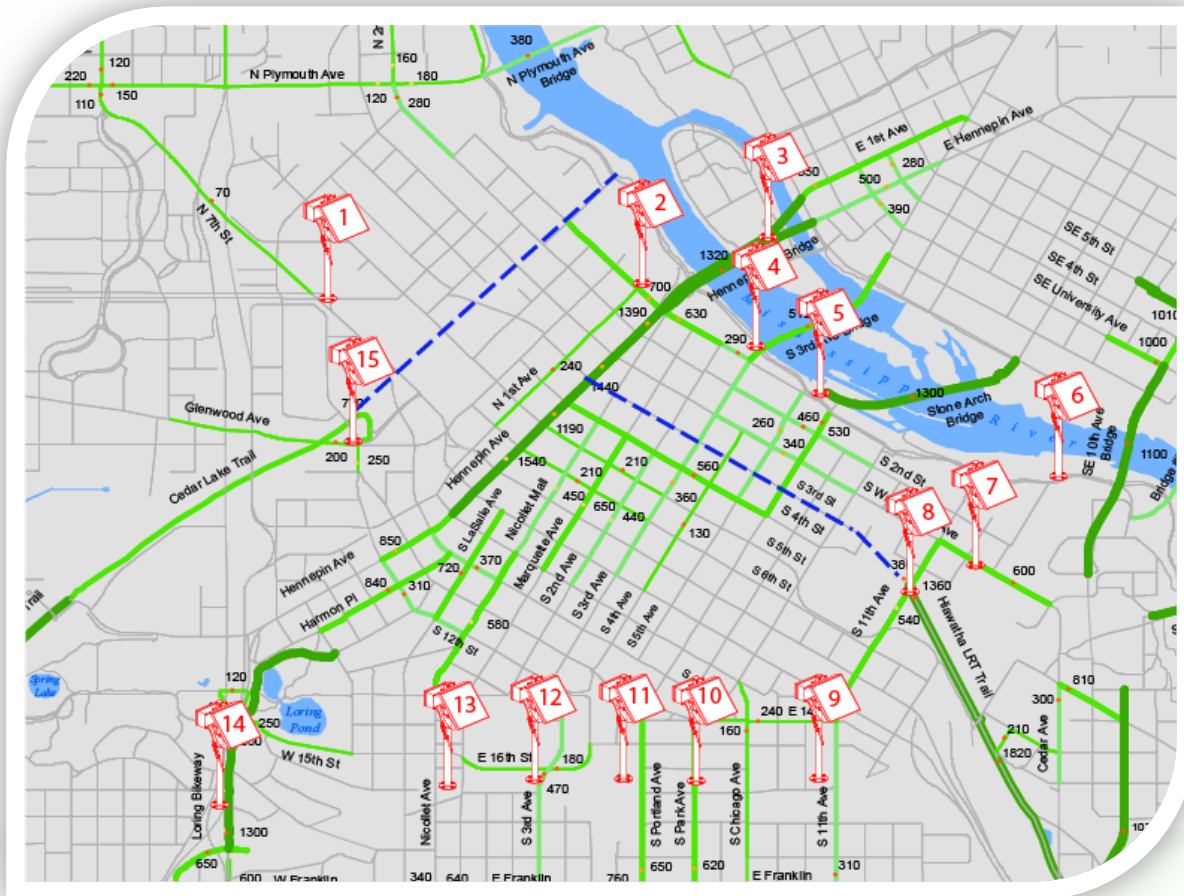
- 3 After parking their bikes and sitting down at their desks, commuters can log in to a web site and check how many times that month they have been counted and how many points they have collected!



- 4 Participants can log in and redeem their points on an online store. The administrator can log in to the web site and download participant usage data.



ZAP! Installation



All counts were conducted by the City of Minneapolis in September 2007, 2008 & 2009.

Funding Models

1. Apply for grants
 - Grantors have been reluctant to fund a technology that is being utilized for a new purpose
2. Pass cost to program participant
 - Cost is too high to recoup through program participants
3. Pass cost to employers
 - Employers must see value in system prior to investing

Funding Models

4. Hybrid Funding model

- Phased roll-out
- Partnering with several local organizations to test and expand system
- Initial cost of program will be paid for through already secured CMAQ dollars
- Bike industry partners will provide cost-share funding model for incentives
- Employers will be charged nominal fee to access data and for a branded ZAP! website

Partnerships

- University of Minnesota
 - Integrate system in to already established U of M system
- St Paul Smart Trips
 - Leverage CMAQ funding to establish system in downtown St Paul
 - Integrate systems

Next Steps

- Reprogram for phased role-out
- Establish formal partnership agreements
- Secure required variances for installation
- Develop program materials and advertising campaign
- Establish pilot employer sites
- Install ZAP! devices and launch program
- Promote program/sign up participants at pilot worksites



Questions?

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Mission:

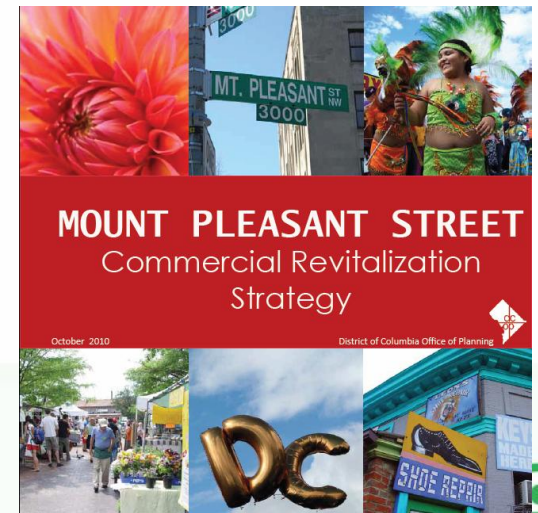
The Mission of the Office of Planning (OP) is to guide development of the District of Columbia, including the preservation and revitalization of our distinctive neighborhoods, by informing decisions, advancing strategic goals, encouraging the highest quality outcomes, and engaging all communities.



SMALL AREA PLANS (SAP)

Elements of a Small Area Plan:

- Existing conditions analysis: identify neighborhood strengths, opportunities, etc.
- Market study: determines supportable retail, office, and housing square footage
- Development framework: provides guidance on the intensity of development and urban design guidelines
- Community development agenda: topic based goals and action items
- Implementation strategy: resources, partnerships, and responsibilities



WALKSCORE

WASHINGTON D.C.'S MOST walkable neighborhoods

Prev City | Next City | View All

Neighborhood	Score
1 Dupont Circle	99
2 Logan Circle	98
3 Downtown	97
4 U Street Corridor	97
5 Foggy Bottom	95
6 Mount Vernon Square	95
7 Adams Morgan	93
8 Kalorama	92
9 Friendship Heights	90
10 Georgetown	90
11 Shaw	88
12 Capitol Hill	87
13 Chevy Chase	83
14 Cleveland Park	83
15 Columbia Heights	83
16 Woodley Park	82
17 South West	81
18 Glover Park	80
19 Mount Pleasant	77

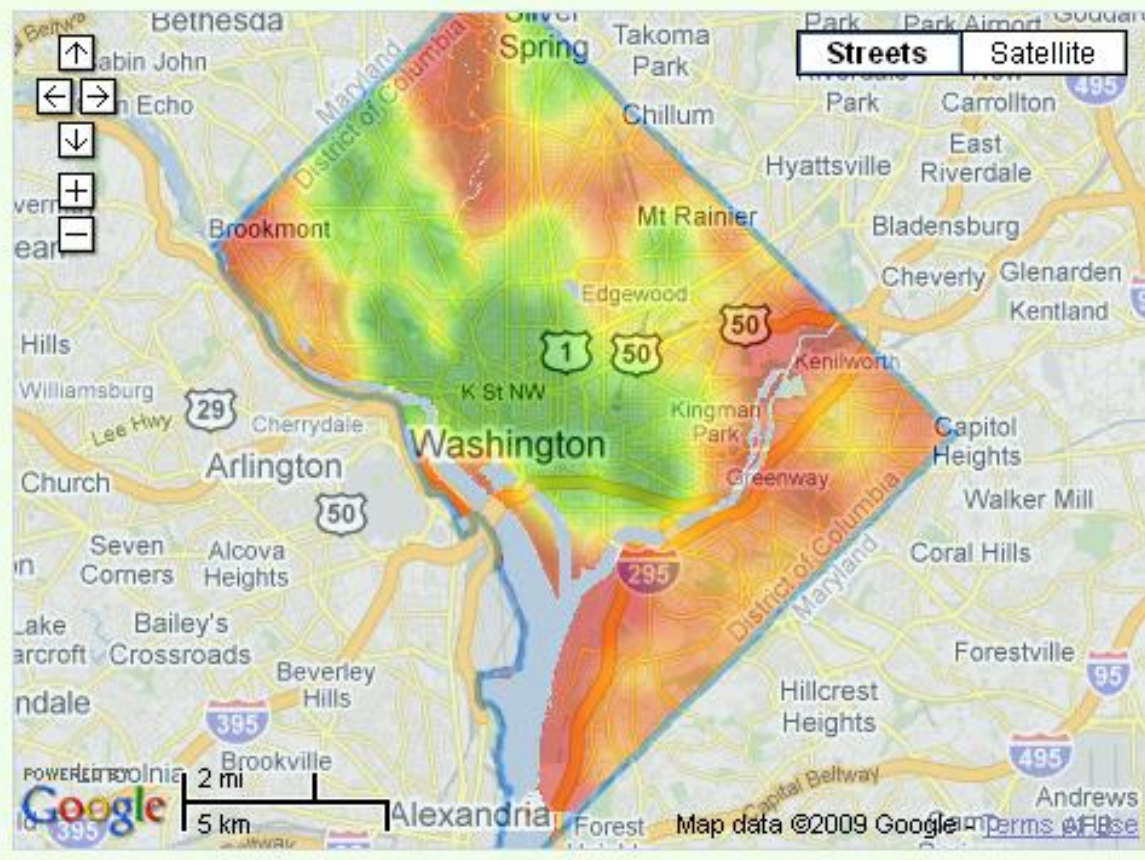


#7 Washington D.C.

Walk Score: 70

Population: 574,613

Walk Score Distribution



14TH ST. AND WALKSCORE

The plan analyzes land use, public realm and market potential for three commercial nodes along 14th Street.

Public Realm Goal: Improve the aesthetics along the 14th St. corridor while improving the pedestrian safety and connectivity.



BENEFITS AND DRAWBACKS

Benefits

- Great quantitative measure of varying types of neighborhood amenities
- Helpful when making real estate decisions (residential & commercial)
- Good benchmark for walkable urbanity

Drawbacks

- No qualitative measure of those neighborhood amenities
- Until recently worked on radius system, i.e. not realistic walking paths
- Lack of synergy with other online tools, e.g. Yelp, Crime Report, etc.
- No historical baseline



FUTURE USES OF WALKSCORE

DCOP will continue to use Walkscore as a point of reference:

- a) Implementations indicator
- b) Correlating increased health benefits to an increase in walkable urbanity
- c) Assisting in advertising neighborhoods for increased retail & residential development



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CycleTracks App for Android and iPhone

**Elizabeth Sall, San Francisco County
Transportation Authority**



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Outline

1. **Why** make CycleTracks?
2. **What** does CycleTracks do?
3. **Who** used CycleTracks and why?
4. What **data** did we get from CycleTracks?
5. What did we **do with** that **data**?
6. Evolution and **future** of CycleTracks



1. Why CycleTracks?



Why CycleTracks?

- Need to prioritize projects, including bike projects.
 - calculate changes performance metrics associated with bike infrastructure investments
 - bike route choice model that evaluates tradeoffs that cyclists are willing to make to use bike infrastructure (AKA the “value” associated with them)
 - bike route choice data (on a budget)





2. What does CycleTracks do?

Enter personal data (optional)

CycleTracks

Thanks for using CycleTracks! Please enter your user details here. It's optional, anonymous, and will really help us understand different people's biking preferences.

Age
29

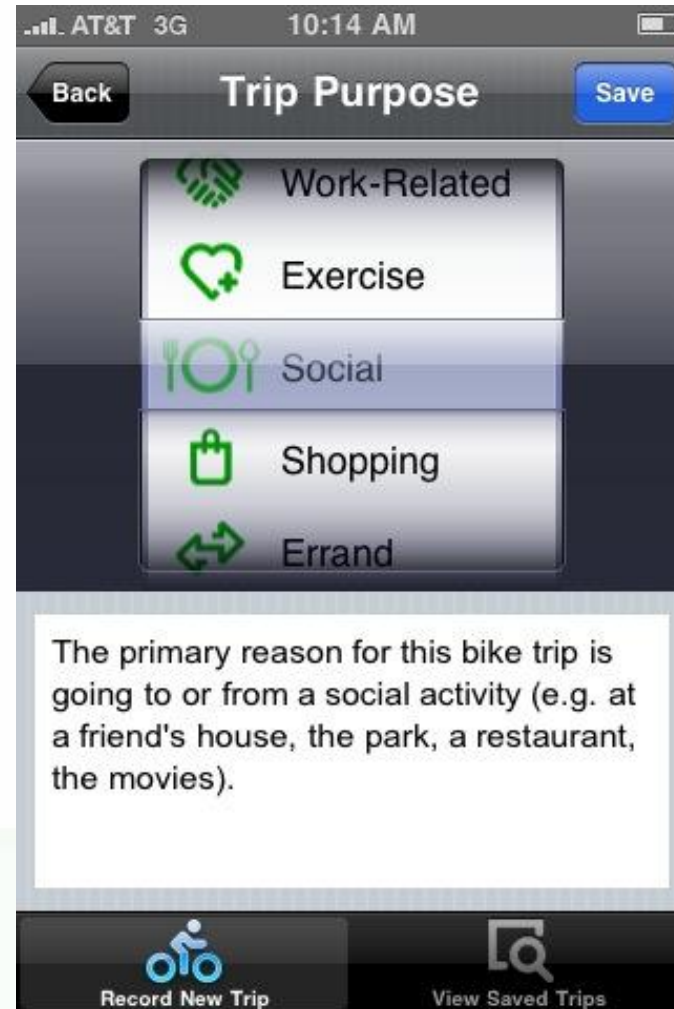
Male Female

Cycling Frequency: Several times per week

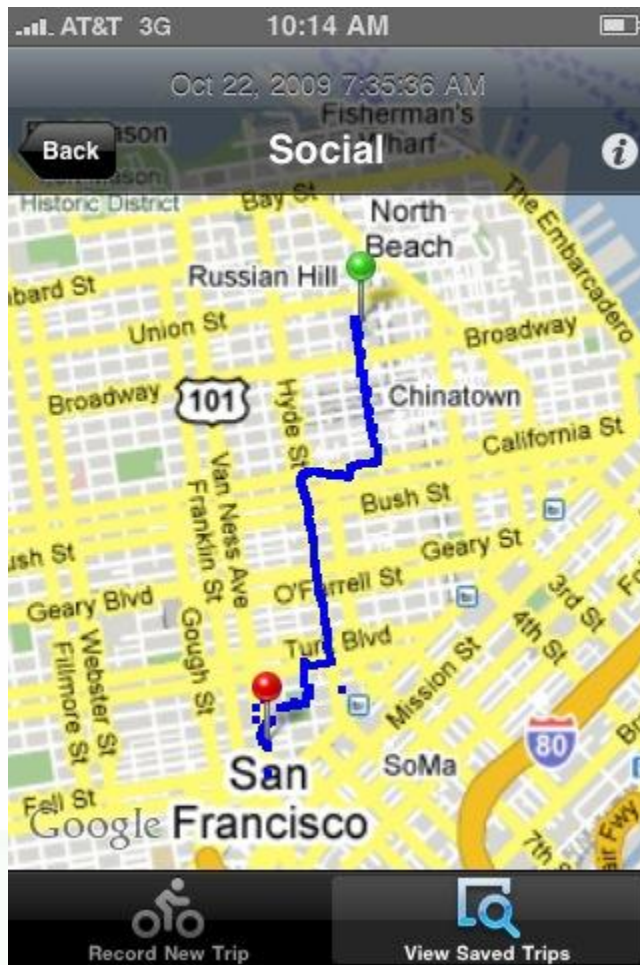
Home ZIP: 94110 Work ZIP: 94102 School ZIP: School

Email address: for news and updates !!
cycletracks@sfcta.org

Enter New Trip



Review Saved Trips



That's it?

- Bells and whistles could promote deviation from planned route.

Features!
Flare!
More users!



Good Data.
Yawn.

3. Who used CycleTracks and Why?



- User Recruitment
- Participants

Thursday, November 12, 2009

31 Comments

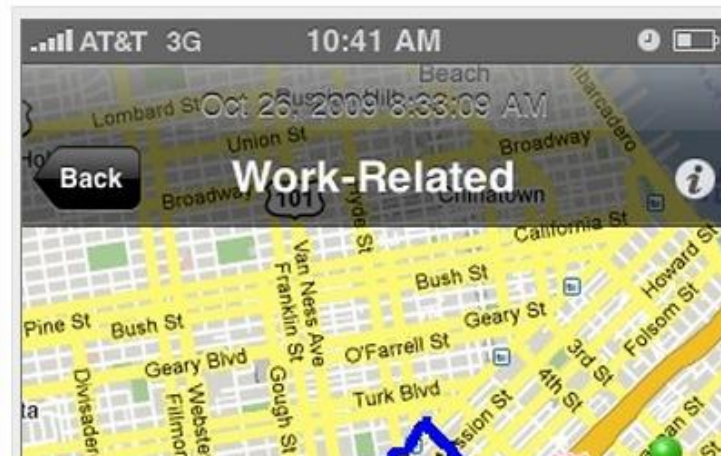
SF Transportation Authority Launches iPhone App to Track Cyclists

by Matthew Roth on November 12, 2009

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority (TA), the city's congestion management agency responsible for modeling transportation and development patterns, has released its new bicycle route data application, [Cycle Tracks](#), for iPhones and GPS-enabled iTunes players at the iTunes store. Like [similar applications](#) that give information such as speed and distance traveled, users of the TA app can map their bicycle ride, but the data they collect will be aggregated anonymously in the TA's server so that it can be applied to their [SF-CHAMP modeling and travel forecasting tool](#).

"This app will help the cycling community help itself," TA Executive Director José Luis Moscovich said in a statement. "The data they log will contribute to better planning of bicycle facilities, and they'll also have a record of their personal cycling history. I'm sure it will be very popular."

Billy Charleton, Deputy Director for Technology Services at the TA, explained that SF-CHAMP doesn't currently have






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Options



Tim Hickey

Wrong location spot

When I ride home at Howard and Spear, it sometimes puts my location in the bay, just north of the bay bridge. This seems to nullify my recording.

January 10 at 7:50pm · Participate

RECENT ACTIVITY

Jennifer Gile discussed Cycletracks on Android on the CycleTracks discussion board.

Dave Mangot discussed Cycletracks on Android on the CycleTracks discussion board.

Billy Charlton and **Dave Mangot** discussed Cycletracks on Android on the CycleTracks discussion board.



Dave Mangot

Cycletracks on Android

I tried recording two different trips on my Samsung Moment (cupcake) and in both cases, it said 0 miles. After that I discovered that after I hit Start Trip it says elapsed time 1 second, and that's the end. Never advances past one second. (and thus, my distance, etc...

[See More](#)

December 16, 2009 at 10:13am · Participate



Jeffrey Carl Faden



Cycle Tracks

@CycleTracks San Francisco

CycleTracks uses the iPhone's GPS support to track users' bicycle trip routes. CycleTracks is a @mopimp production. ©2009 SFCTA.
<http://www.sfcta.org/CycleTracks>

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SHCK2DSYS Evan **↻** by CycleTracks

Biking to work in SF? Don't forget your CycleTracks app
<http://bit.ly/aNMV4m> @mattpaul @mopimp Congrats!
 13 May 10



VentureBeat VentureBeat **↻** by CycleTracks

Biking to work in SF? Don't forget your CycleTracks app
<http://bit.ly/9pPjJE> by JP Manninen
 13 May 10



mattpaul Funkminsta Fulla **↻** by CycleTracks

Great writeup on @CycleTracks today: Biking to work in SF? Don't forget your CycleTracks app <http://su.pr/1CaloM> Thanks @VentureBeat!
 13 May 10



ClimateRide Climate Ride **↻** by CycleTracks

RT @sfbc props to @BikeToWorkSFBay and all the @CycleTracks & @iBikeChallenge users out there biking to work today! #BTWD2010
 13 May 10



sfbike SF Bicycle Coalition **↻** by CycleTracks

RT @mattpaul Mad props to @SFBC, @BikeToWorkSFBay and all the @CycleTracks & @iBikeChallenge users out there biking to work today! #BTWD2010
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About @CycleTracks

36

Tweets

148

Following

133

Followers

12

Listed

You and @CycleTracks

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Wuss912 Wuss912 · Follow

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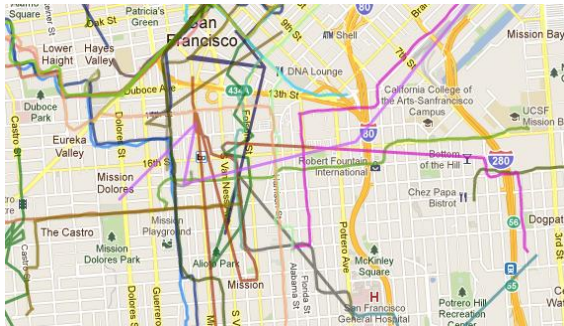
Participants: who gave us data?

SF Participants: Fall 2009 to Spring 2010

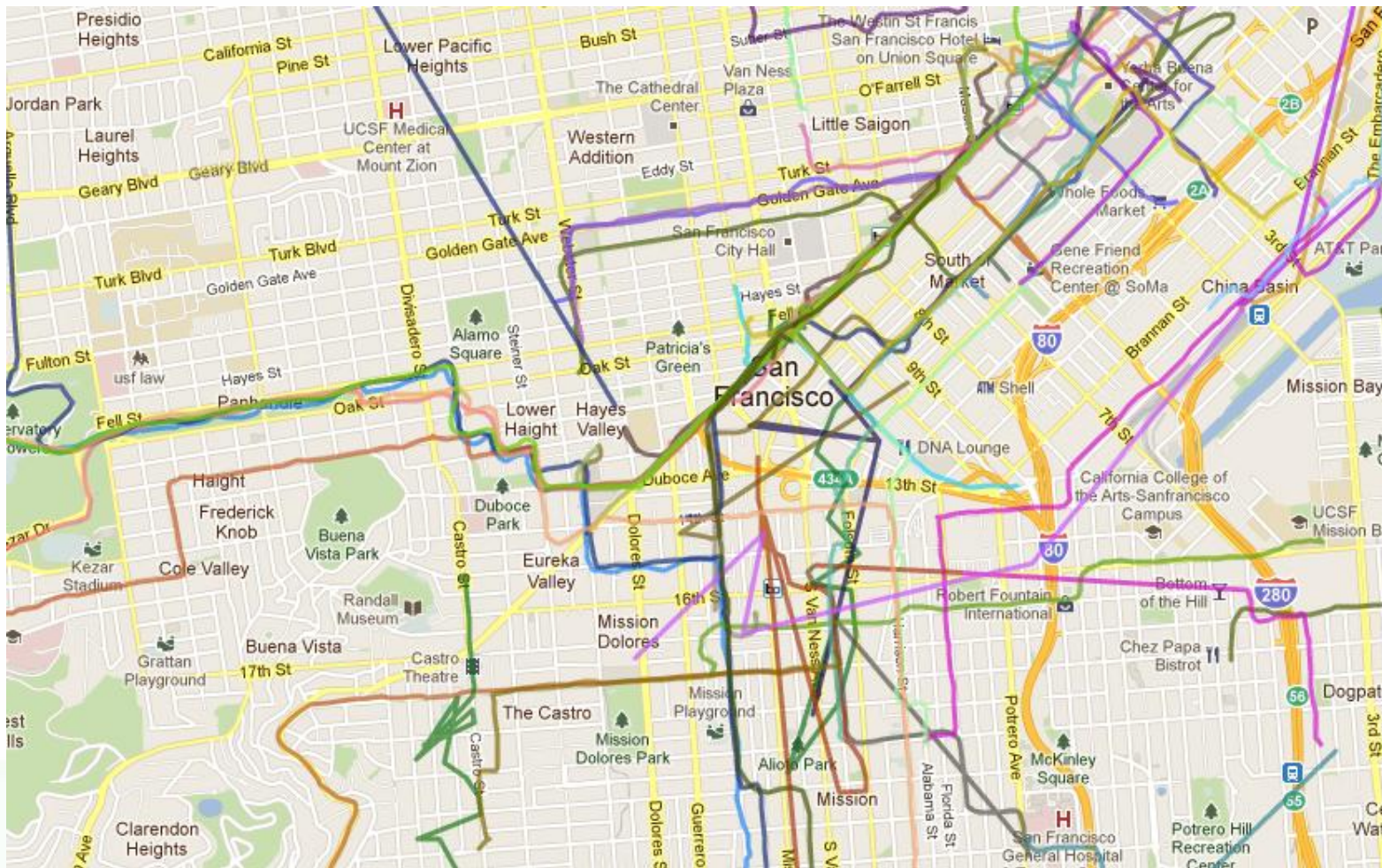
	CycleTracks N=366	BATS N=153	<i>z-stat</i>
Age Mean	34	33	1.1
Gender Female	21%	36%	-3.5
Cycling Frequency			
Daily	60%		
Several Times/Week	34%		
Several Times/Month	7%		
Less than once a month	0%	N/A	

4. What data did we get?

- Data Quality
- Data Summaries



Data Quality: some good, some bad



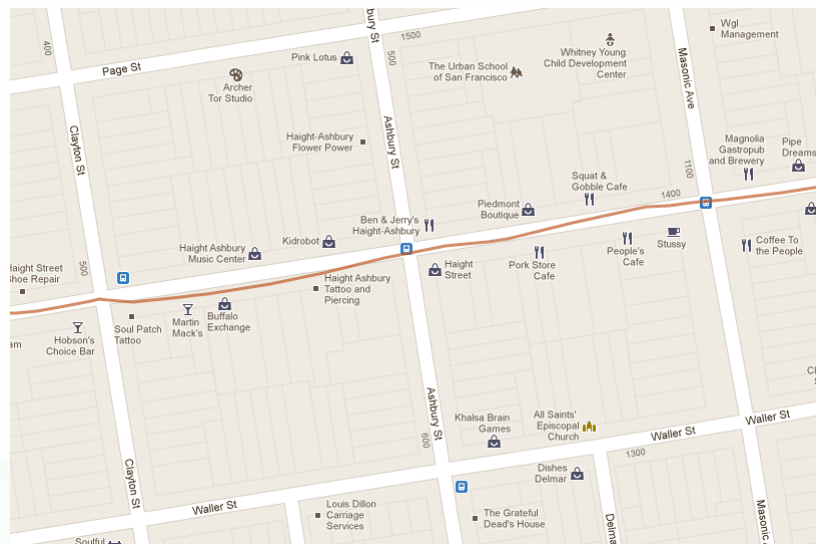
Urban Canyon Effect



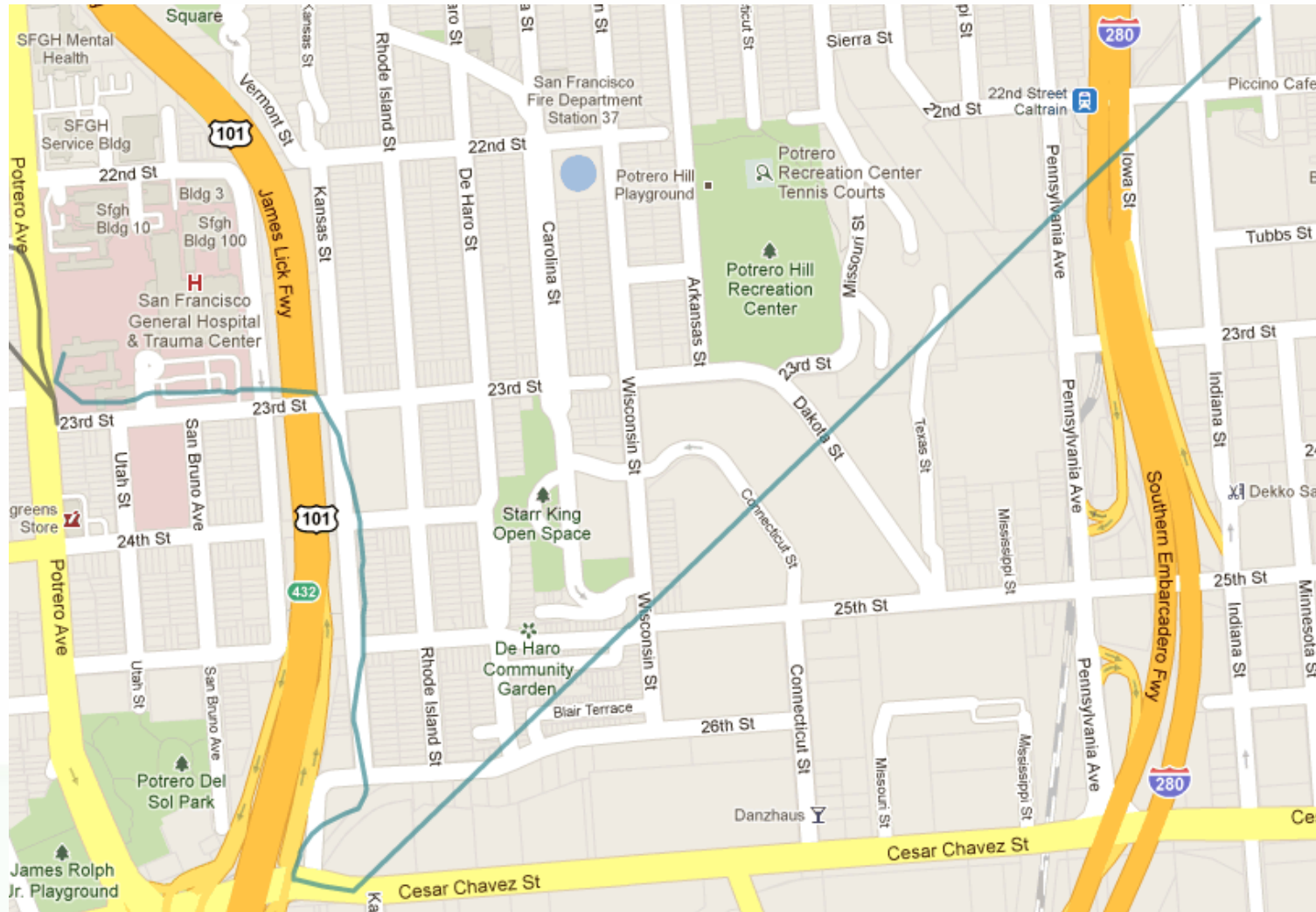
Downtown

VS

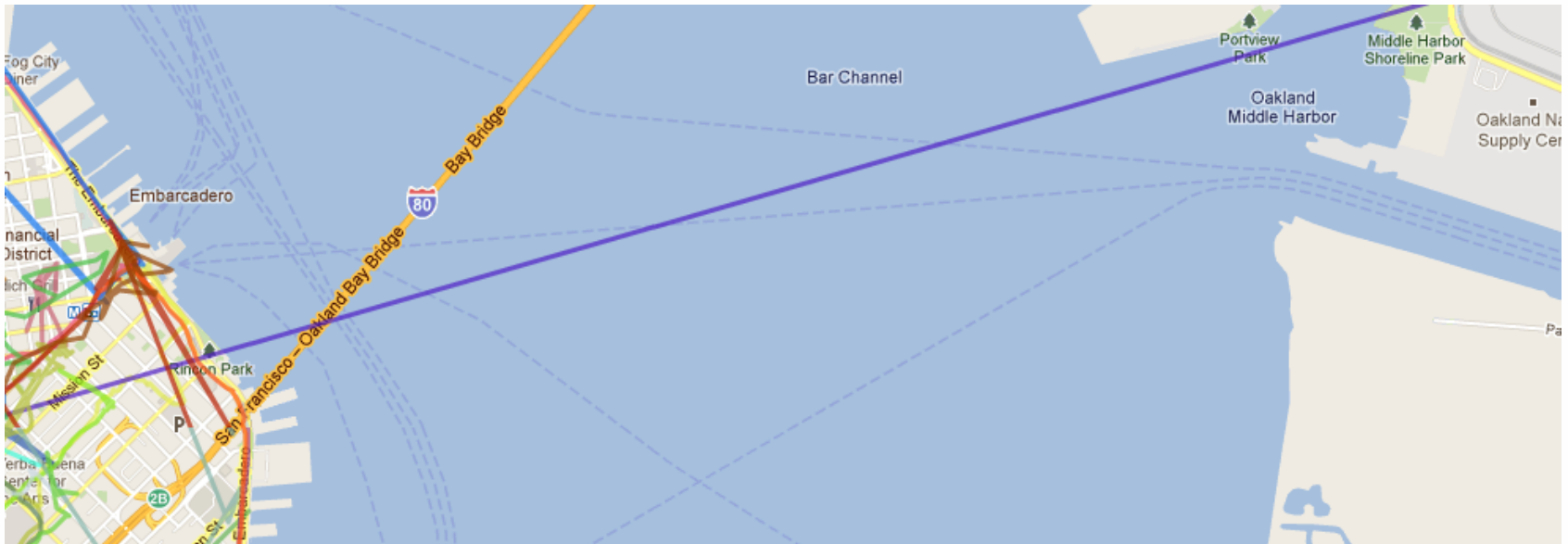
Haight Ashbury



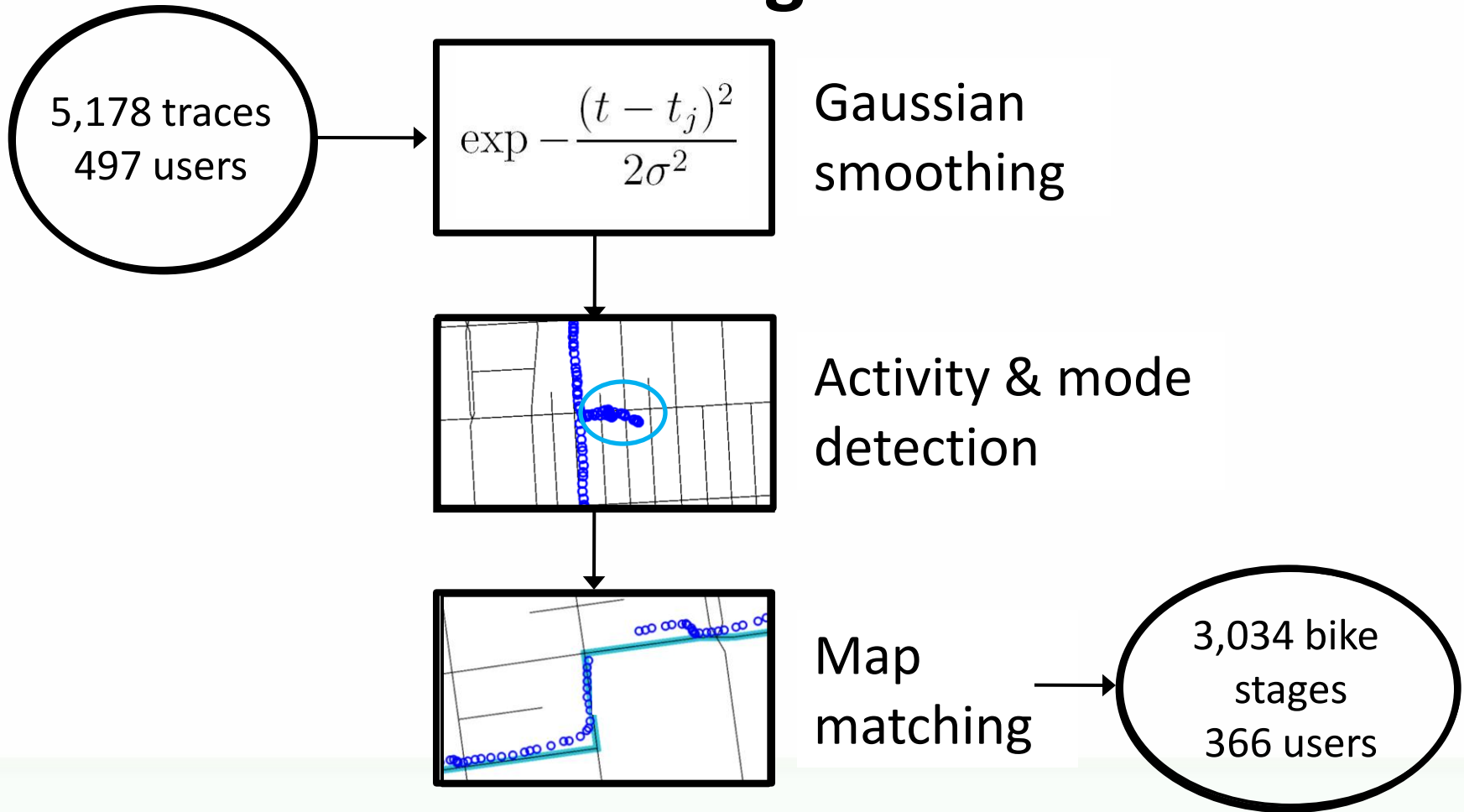
GPS Signal at Beginning of Trip



Not on a Bike



Post Processing Warranted



(Schüssler & Axhausen 2009)

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fig_output_config
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5. What did we do with the CycleTracks Data?



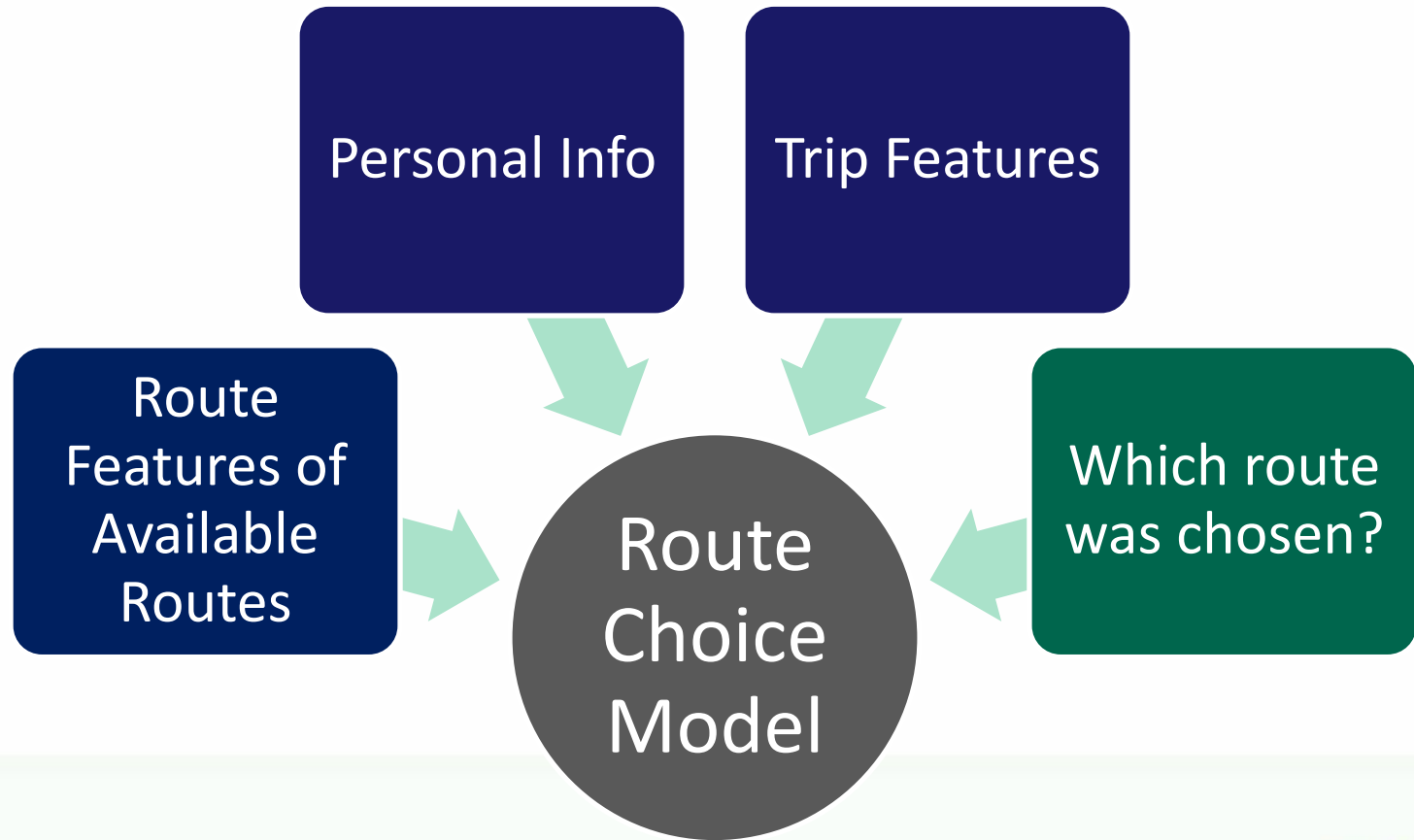
Matched Route Features to the Chosen Route...



...as well as to a set of routes that were not chosen



What makes us choose one bike route over another ?



2,678 weighted observations, $\rho^2 = 0.28$

Estimation results

Attribute	Coef.	SE	t-stat.	p-val.
Length (mi)	--1.05	0.09	--11.80	0.00
Turns per mile	--0.21	0.02	--12.15	0.00
Prop. wrong way	--13.30	0.67	--19.87	0.00
Prop. bike paths	1.89	0.31	6.17	0.00
Prop. bike lanes	2.15	0.12	17.69	0.00
<i>Cycling freq. < several per wk.</i>	1.85	0.04	44.94	0.00
Prop. bike routes	0.35	0.11	3.14	0.00
Avg. up-slope (ft/100ft)	--0.50	0.08	--6.35	0.00
<i>Female</i>	--0.96	0.22	--4.34	0.00
<i>Commute</i>	--0.90	0.11	--8.21	0.00
Log(path size)	1.07	0.04	26.38	0.00



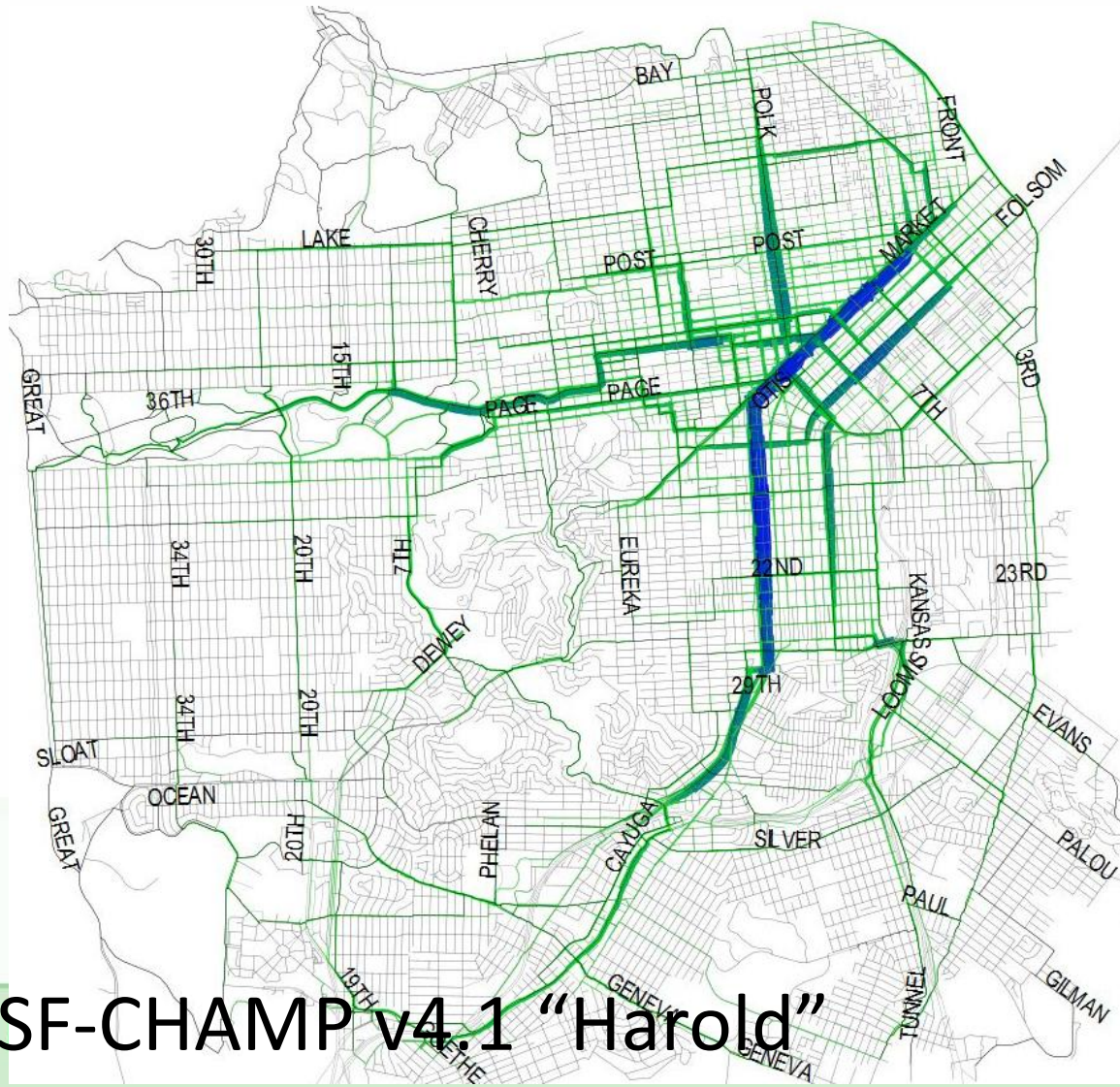
Average marginal rates of substitution

MRS of Length on street for:

	<u>Value</u>	<u>Units</u>
Length on bike paths	0.57	none
Length on bike lanes	0.49	none
Length on bike routes	0.92	none
• Length wrong way	4.02	none
• Turns	0.10	mi/turn
Total rise	1.12	mi/100ft

User benefit of bike lanes: \$0.98 per mile per trip

SF-CHAMP Predicted Bike Trips



Bikes / hour



SF-CHAMP v4.1 "Harold"



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6. Evolution and Future of CycleTracks



All Open Source



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Code | Network | Pull Requests 0 | Issues 0 | Wiki 1 | Stats & Graphs

CycleTracks for iPhone — Read more
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ZIP | SSH | HTTP | Git Read-Only | git@github.com:sfcta/CycleTracks.git | Read+Write access

Files | Commits | Branches 1 | Tags | Downloads | Current branch: master

- GPL3 License
- Code on GitHub
- Fork us!

cycletracks initial GitHub commit

e-lo authored June 20, 2011

CycleTracks /

name	age
Classes/	June 20, 2011
CycleTracks.xcdatamodel/	June 20, 2011
CycleTracks.xcodeproj/	June 20, 2011
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TabBarIcons/	June 20, 2011
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BikeRouter / route_model / choice_set / ds_generate.py

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1 from UserDict import UserDict
2 from route_model.traversal.bidirectional_dijkstra import bidirectional_dijkstra
3 from route_model.traversal.single_source_dijkstra import single_source_dijkstra
4 from route_model.path_trace import path_trace
5 from math import log, exp
6 import random
7 import time
8 import numpy as np
9 from route_model.misc import get_time_dependent_variable, get_inverse_time_dependent_re
10 from math import sqrt
11 import route_model.misc as rm_misc
12 from multiprocessing import Lock, Process, current process, Queue
```

www.github.com/sfcta



e.g. AggieTrack



[View In iTunes](#)

Free

Category: [Education](#)

Updated: May 04, 2011

Version: 1.1

Size: 0.7 MB

Language: English

Seller: [lenss lab](#)

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[Rated 4+](#)

Description

This app aims to track the movement patterns of students at Texas A&M University. aggietrack.com.

[LENS Lab, Texas A&M Web Site](#) ▶ [AggieTracks Support](#) ▶

What's New in Version 1.1

- * "Settings" changed to "User info"
- * Checks for data discrepancies
- * Data entering is mandatory

iPhone Screenshot



<http://aggietrack.com>

CycleTracks Works Everywhere...

- We already have the database set up
- Agencies can download “scrubbed” data



The screenshot shows a news article from MercuryNews.com. The article title is "AMBAG planners hope tech improves bike projects" by Jason Hoppin. A large, semi-transparent "CycleTracks Austin" logo is overlaid on the top right of the article content. The website's navigation bar includes links for HOME, NEWS, BUSINESS, TECH, SPORTS, ENTERTAINMENT, BAY AREA LIVING, OPINION, MY TOWN, and HELP. There is also a search bar and a "Web Search by YAHOO!" option. Social media sharing buttons for Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter are visible below the article title.

Austin, TX

Monterey Bay, CA

...and more!



Where: Santa Clara San Francisco San Mateo Monterey Austin

Or enter in latitude: and longitude:

Latitude Max Dist:

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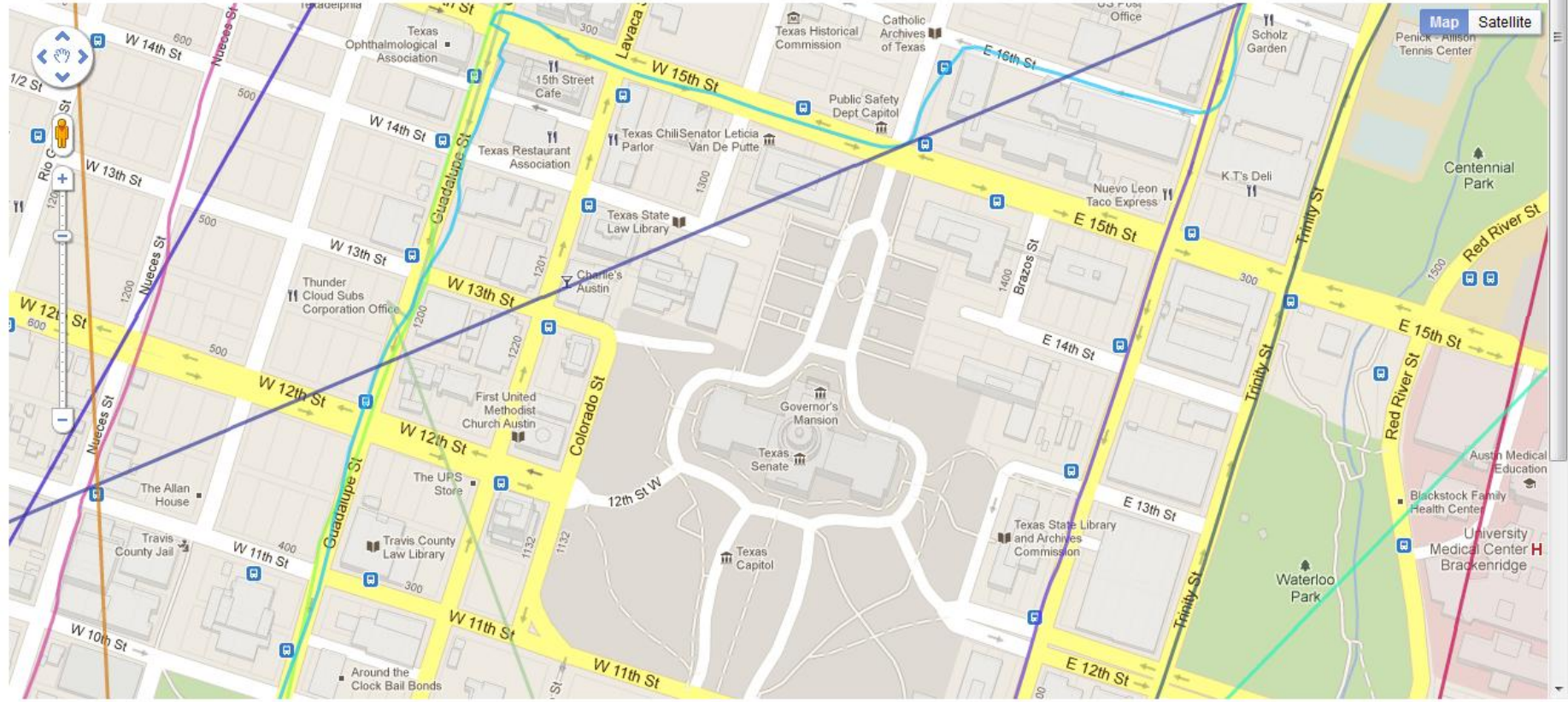
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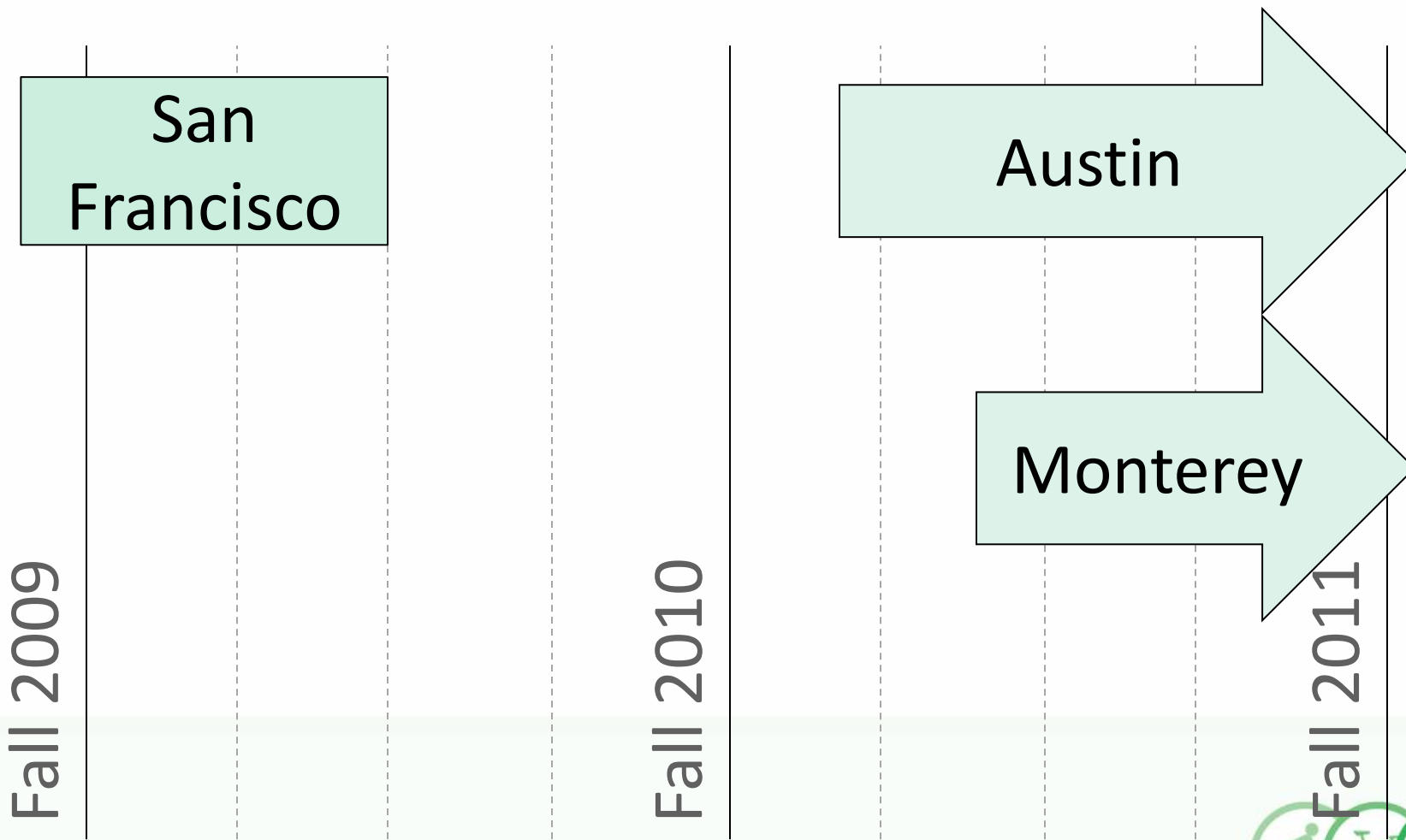
Start index:

submit

Found 3040 trips. Showing 0 - 99. The lat/long bounding box is shown in dark grey.



CycleTracks Data Collection Timeline



Credits

Development

Billy Charlton

Lisa Zorn

Michael Schwartz

Jeff Hood

Matt Paul

Support

Caltrans

Prop-K Sales Tax

NSF

Outreach

Bay Area Bike Coalition

San Francisco Bike

Coalition

Help

Nadine Schussler

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