Interactive Visualization Techniques for Urban Data Analysis

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Abstract

The explosion in the volume of data about urban environments has opened up opportunities to better inform both policy and administration, and thereby to help governments to overcome constant challenges of improving/increasing the quality of public services and promoting sustainable development. By taking advantage of the modern computer graphics and the power of the human visual system, interactive visualization techniques have been shown to be powerful tools that help making sense of large collections of data. In this talk, I will describe recent data visualization techniques designed to allow analysts to interactively explore and analyze large collections of urban data. These techniques include visual and algorithmic aspects and have been applied to help domain experts in the fields of urban planning, transportation engineering, and architecture.

Bio

Nivan Ferreira is a postdoctoral scholar in the Computer Science Department at the University of Arizona. He received his Ph.D. in computer science from New York University's Polytechnic School of Engineering in 2015. He also received a B.S. degree in Computer Science and a M.S. degree in Mathematics from Universidade Federal de Pernambuco in Brazil.

His main research interests are in the large area of data visualization focusing on the design of interactive visual analysis techniques for exploration of large datasets and the use of pattern mining techniques in visualization.

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