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How to capture long-distance travel?

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Road based – Switzerland 1950 and 2000



Two speakers

managing their "image" staying within the rules of talking staying within their socially allocated/identified role fulfilling social expectations

talk and report with/to each other

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"Maintaing the willingness of the respondent to report"

Response as a function of response burden @IVT, 2015



Activities, movement and traces: A full example record



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Active/passive tracing: Many owners, locations, quality levels



Filters imposed/suggested by the study: "Trips"

Filters due to the respondent: Forgetting

Filters imposed by the respondent: Soft non-response

After soft non-response

Filters due to the respondent: Rounding

Aggregation: moves to locations 50+ km away

Aggregation: displacement to the furthest location of that day

Level of aggregation: displacement to the furthest location

Correction for forgetting

with:

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Some facts:

- reports all GSM actions (originating/terminating calls/SMS)
- in Orange network
- for each action a Call Data Record (CDR) appears in the data
- users are anonymised
- covers the time period: 16 May 2007 till 15 October 2007
- in total 22.3 million customers
- in total 15.5 billion CDRs

Approach:

1. select municipalities

2. select mobile residents

- identify home locations (Ahas, 2008)
- identify mobile customers

3. extract data for selected customers

4. reconstruct long distance tours

5. store the tours

Selected locations

All customers	22'300'000
With at least one home anchor	18'000'000
Three home anchors within one of the 31 municipalities	1'360'000
Without m2m (non-human customer)	1'290'000
Mobile customer (went > 50km from home anchor in June)	793'900
For each municapility 2000, Paris 5000	

Most visited towers by month

	ENTD		Orange	
Population	Resp.	Tours	Resp.	Tours
rural	1'503	2'156	б о	0
Up to 5k	202	31	8 o	Ο
5k-10k	187	23	3 0	0
10k-20k	150	20	2 0	Ο
20k-50k	160	24	8 7'455	100'771
50k-100k	202	29	7 9'579	94'551
100k-200k	204	. 329	9 23'343	272'412
200k-900k	965	1'554	4 17'486	202'842
Paris	1'223	1'64	.1 4'951	42'660

Comparison with ENTD: Number of journeys in the period

Population	ENTD Orange						
	Winter	Su	mmer	Sui	mmer	Fa	actor
rural	4.2	25	3.6	5			
Up to 5k	4.3	6	3.7	3			
5k-10k	4.0	6	3.48	8			
10k-20k	4.3	8	3.7	5			
20k-50k	4.3	6	3.74	4	6.30	C	1.68
50k-100k	4.2	9	3.6 ⁻	7	6.30	C	1.72
100k-200k	4.8	84	4.1	5	7.3	5	1.77
200k-900k	4.9	95	4.24	4	7.30	C	1.72
Paris	3.9)2	3.36	5	7.04	4	2.10

Comparison with ENTD: Number of journeys in the period

95% Confidence Bands of long-distance tour rates

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Comparison with ENTD: Tour distance distribution

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Tour frequency distribution during the observed months

- As mentioned before: Frequency of GSM data points.
- Selection of customers might be biased (frequent callers are more likely to be chosen)
- Computation of home (and work) anchors.
- International tours (we assumed that there are none in the data).
- In the comparison: Error in weighting the ENTD data

Variable	Diary	GPS (logger or mobile) (no prompted recall)	Mobile
Participation	Self-selected	Self-selected	(Random)
Duration	1 day (- 6 weeks)	1 day (- 6 weeks)	1 day (Unlimited)
Stage	Yes, underreported	(Yes)	No
Trip	Yes, underreported	Yes	(Yes)
Journey	Yes	Yes	(Yes)
Time	Rounded	Exact	Imputed
Location	Rounded	Exact	Imputed
Mode	Yes	Imputed	Imputed
Purpose	Yes	Imputed	Imputed
Group	Yes	No	No
Expenditure	Yes	No	No

Variable	Diary	GPS (logger or mobile) (no prompted recall)	Mobile
\$/reported day	High	High-medium	Low
Data availability	Months	Week	Daily
Corrections	Needed	No	No
Imputations	Needed	Needed	Needed
Choice models	Yes	Yes	Difficult
Socio-demographics	Yes	Yes	Imputed

Next steps

- Query what we really need for
 - Cost-benefit analysis
 - Planning of prices and services
 - Planning for the slow modes
 - Social accounting
- High-quality multi-modal surveys to establish the measurement errors (add bluetooth and wifi senders, noise profile)
- Error correction models
- Cross check against third party sources
- Treat survey data as indicators in a measurement model
- Treat traces as indicators in a measurement model

- Remember, that observation/surveys are 'talk' and
- Treat respondents as partners in a talk, discussion:
 - Frame your request in a way which addresses them in a clearly defined social role (citizen, driver, customer, etc.)
 - Match your role and the questions
 - Account for their constraints (readability of text, full guidance through the forms, require no calculations – unless necessary, speak their 'language')
 - Be as complex, as the topic warrants, requires, but not more so
 - Don't surprise them with unannounced requests
 - Don't ask them to do work you can do for them
 - If appropriate, provide an incentive, acknowledgement

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Questions ?

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