Innovation on Job Accessibility with General Transit Feed Specification (GTFS) Data

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This presentation analyzes job access in LA County via public transportation based on a travel time, via transit, to jobs. We use open source General Transit Feed System (GTFS) data to model the transit network and interface with a variety of computing tools including JavaScript, ArcPy for ArcGIS and statistical packages to measure the number of jobs accessible from these tracts, leveraging data to allow us to simulate job access with different transit investments.

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Lunch will be served