Considering K-means as a Crime Mapping Algorithm

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Background

- Crime mapping determines patrol routes.
- The Milwaukee police department uses K-means to map crime.

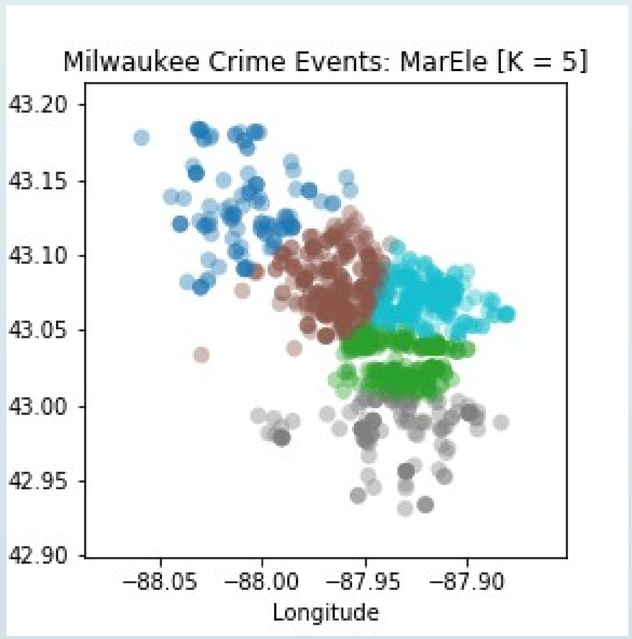
Data

- Data from MKE Circuit and Municipal Courts (2009-2014)
- Latitude and Longitude found using Google API

Takeaways

- Clusters shift as time passes
- Crime plots of Milwaukee diverge as K varies.

Graphs



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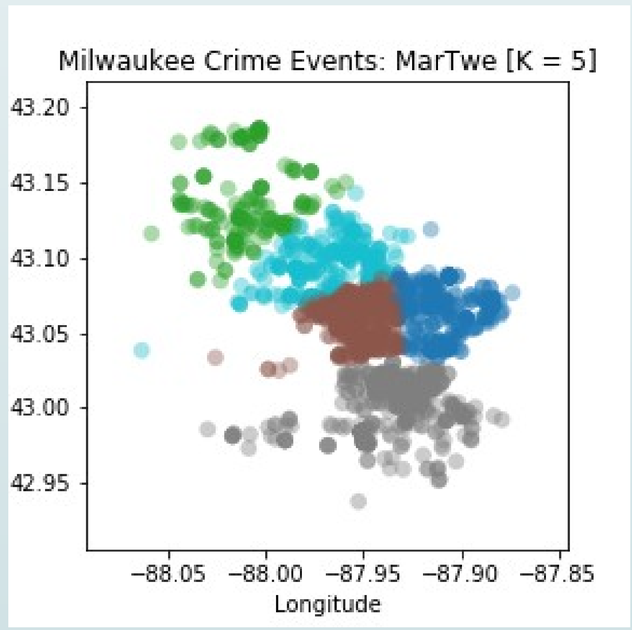

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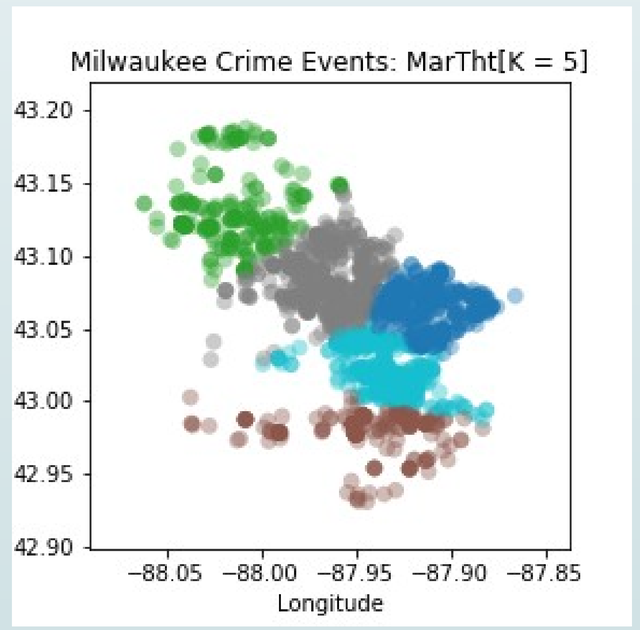

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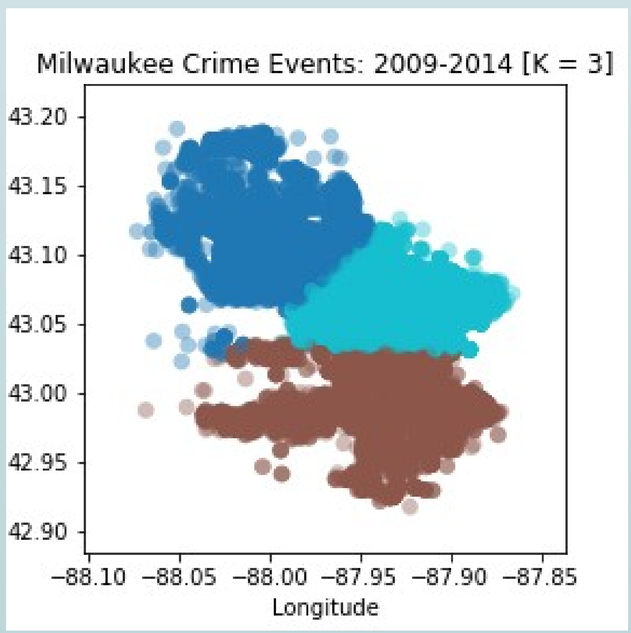

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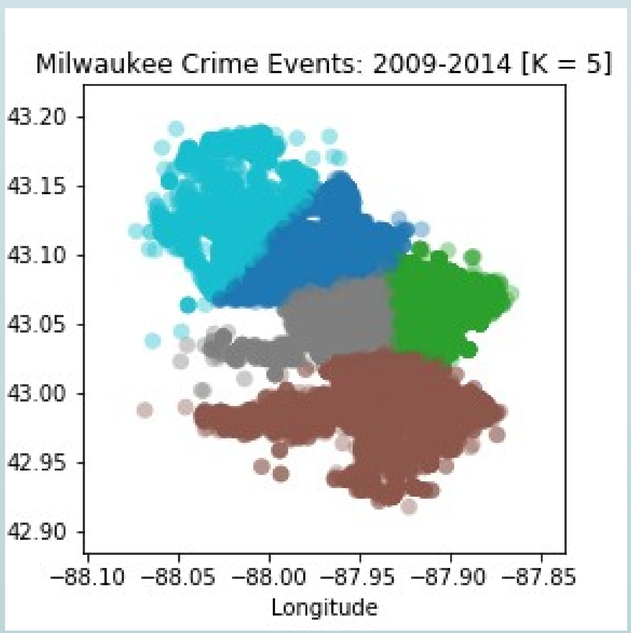

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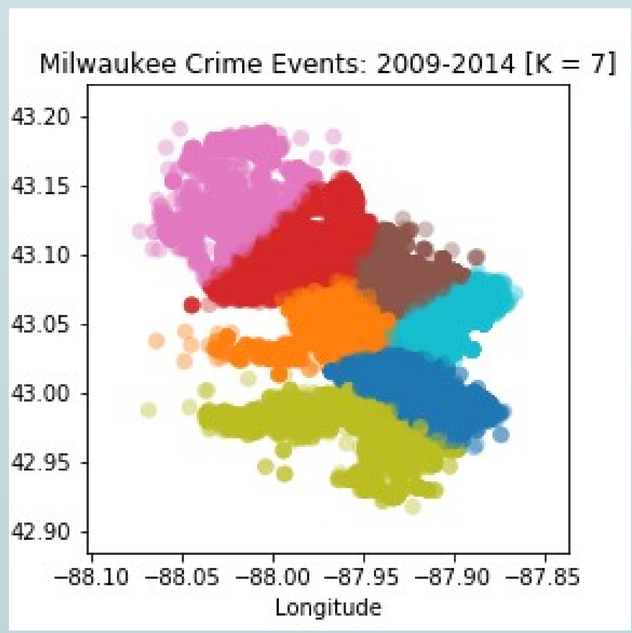

Full Set (2009-2014) : K = 7