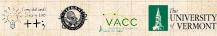
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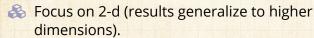
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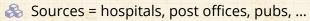
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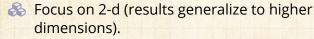
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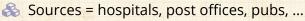
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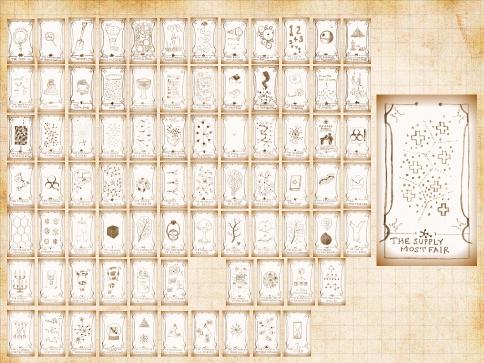
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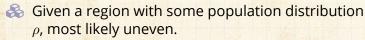
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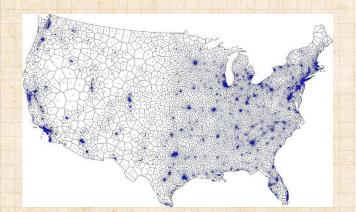






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Approximately optimal location of 5000 facilities.



Based on 2000 Census data.

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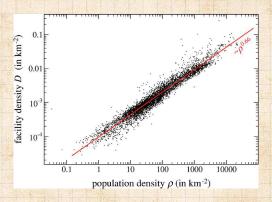
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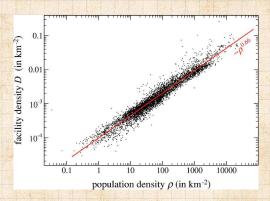
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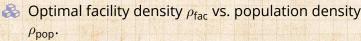


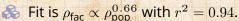
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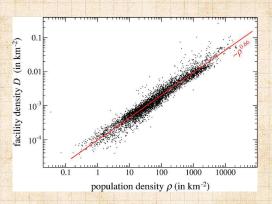
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 \Leftrightarrow Fit is $\rho_{\text{fac}} \propto \rho_{\text{pop}}^{0.66}$ with $r^2 = 0.94$.



Looking good for a 2/3 power ...





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- Now sources & sinks are distributed throughout region.

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We first examine Stephan's treatment (1977) [?,?]

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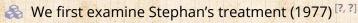


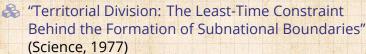




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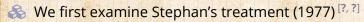


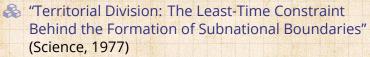




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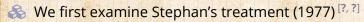






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- Also known as the Homer Simpson principle.

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- Average time expended per person in accessing facility is therefore

$$\bar{d}/\bar{v} = cA^{1/2}/\bar{v}$$

where c is an unimportant shape factor.









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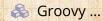
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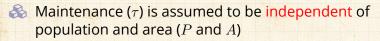
 \mathbb{A} Maintenance (τ) is assumed to be independent of population and area (P and A)







An issue:



- Stephan's online book
 "The Division of Territory in Society" is here ...
- The Readme
 is well worth reading (1995).

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Cartogram of countries 'rescaled' by population:



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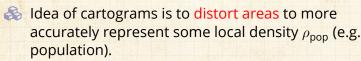
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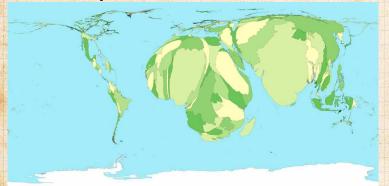
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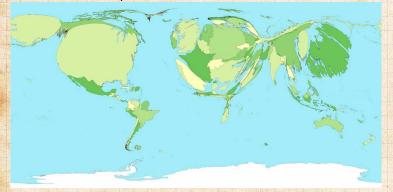
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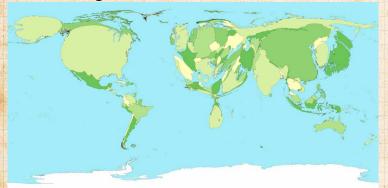
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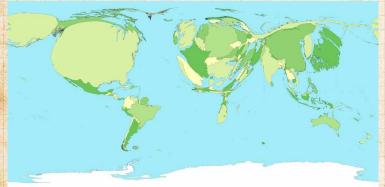
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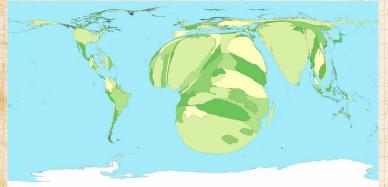
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The preceding sampling of Gastner & Newman's cartograms lives here ♂.

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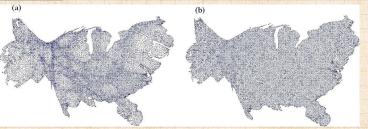


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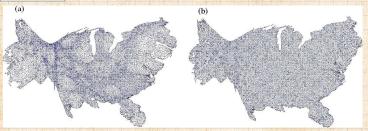


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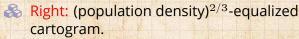


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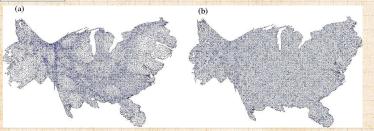


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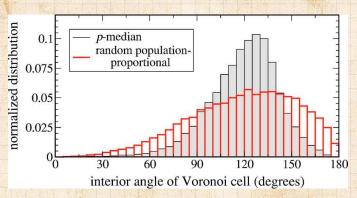
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Cartogram's Voronoi cells are somewhat hexagonal.

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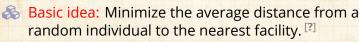
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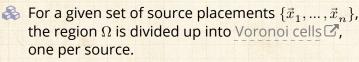
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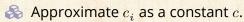




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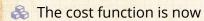
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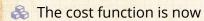
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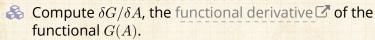


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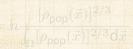


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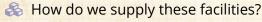
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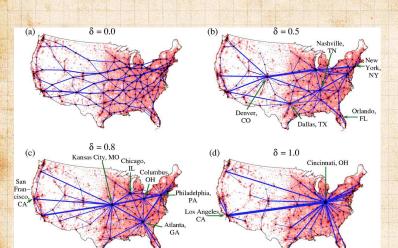
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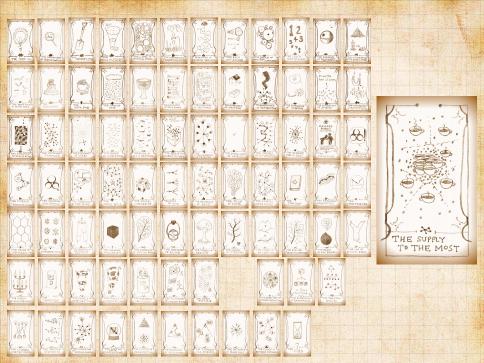
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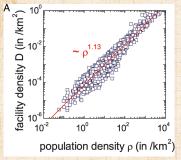
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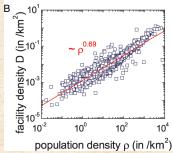












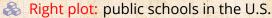
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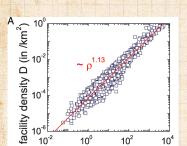
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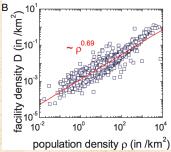








population density ρ (in /km²)



Left plot: ambulatory hospitals in the U.S.

Right plot: public schools in the U.S.

Note: break in scaling for public schools. Transition from $\alpha \simeq 2/3$ to $\alpha = 1$ around $\rho_{\rm pop} \simeq 100$.



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US facility	α (SE)	R ²
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Beauty care	1.08(1)	0.86
Laundry	1.05(1)	0.90
Automotive repair	0.99(1)	0.92
Private school	0.95(1)	0.82
Restaurant	0.93(1)	0.89
Accommodation	0.89(1)	0.70
Bank	0.88(1)	0.89
Gas station	0.86(1)	0.94
Death care	0.79(1)	0.80
* Fire station	0.78(3)	0.93
* Police station	0.71(6)	0.75
Public school	0.69(1)	0.87
SK facility	α (SE)	R ²
Bank	1.18(2)	0.96
Parking place	1.13(2)	0.91
* Primary clinic	1.09(2)	1.00
* Hospital	0.96(5)	0.97
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Social welfare org.	0.75(2)	0.84
* Police station	0.71(5)	0.94
Government office	0.70(1)	0.93
* Fire station	0.60(4)	0.93
* Public health center	0.09(5)	0.19

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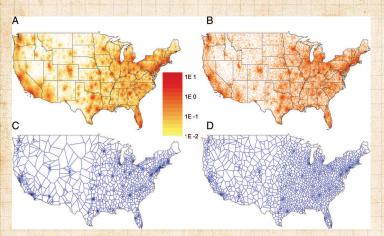
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A, C: ambulatory hospitals in the U.S.; B, D: public schools in the U.S.; A, B: data; C, D: Voronoi diagram from model simulation.

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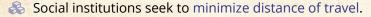
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