Geospatial Patterns and Trajectory in International Trade Networks

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International trade is the exchange of goods and services among countries across national borders, in which geography plays a determinant role in shaping its development and evolution. This talk will discuss the importance of geography in the international trade networks using several case studies such as trading patterns and trajectory from 1900 to 2014, and global trading resilience during COVID-19. This talk will also discuss the challenges and opportunities in the international trade domain in the near future and encourage more interdisciplinary investigation to explore this area.

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