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different socio-economic conditions

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TABRIZ, IRAN



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Following the industrial revolution, cities experienced rapid urbanization.

But, urban development can only be sustainable when there is a balance between **economic**, **social**, and **environmental** development (sustainability pillars).



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Green areas are essential part of urban areas and

provide different ecosystem services.

Today, due to the low interaction of urban dwellers with nature, urban green spaces, especially parks, have direct or indirect role in improving the quality of life in cities.

Therefore, it is necessary that urban parks be usable by all groups of people

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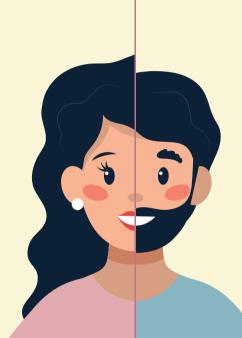


Social Justice

Social justice is a prerequisite for any action aiming at improving human life quality.

Gender Justice

equal rights of men and women in use of opportunities, access to facilities, and ...





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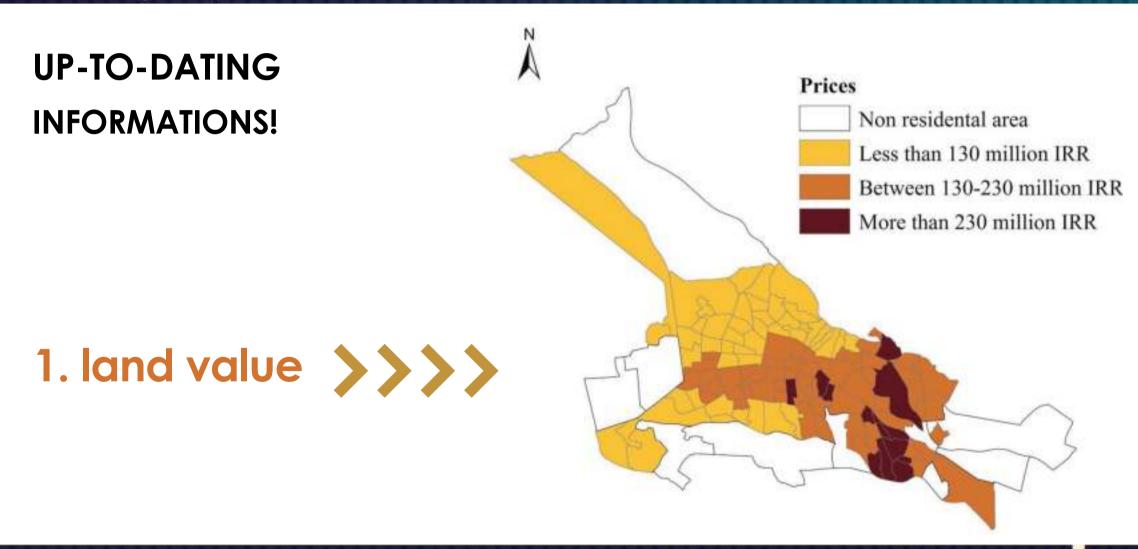


Socio-economic structure of Tabriz

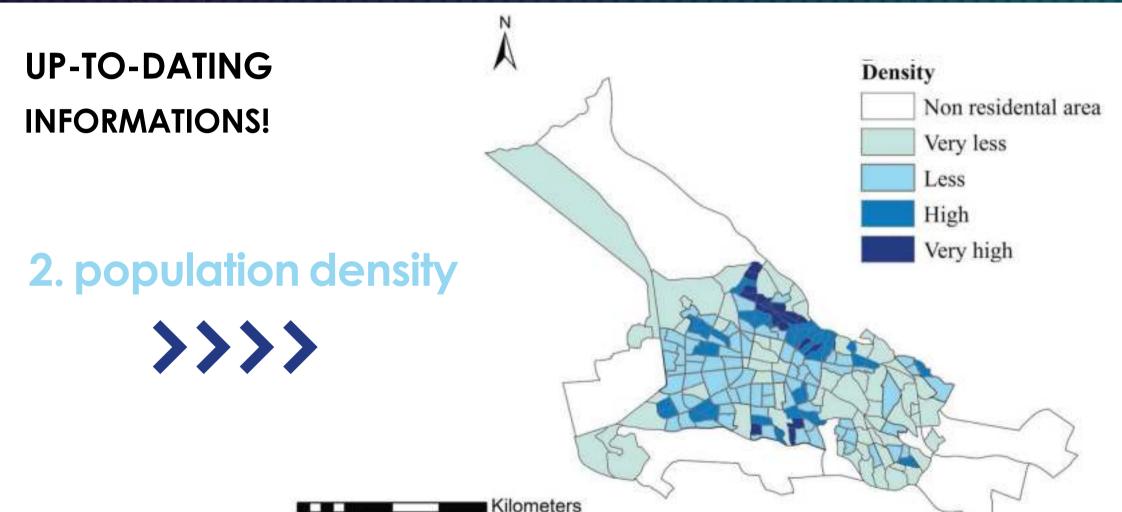
city of Tabriz is clearly structured based on social status and divided into three social areas: low, middle and high.

These areas have been determined based on socio-economic conditions of families, land value, & population density.

Breuste and Rahimi, 2015

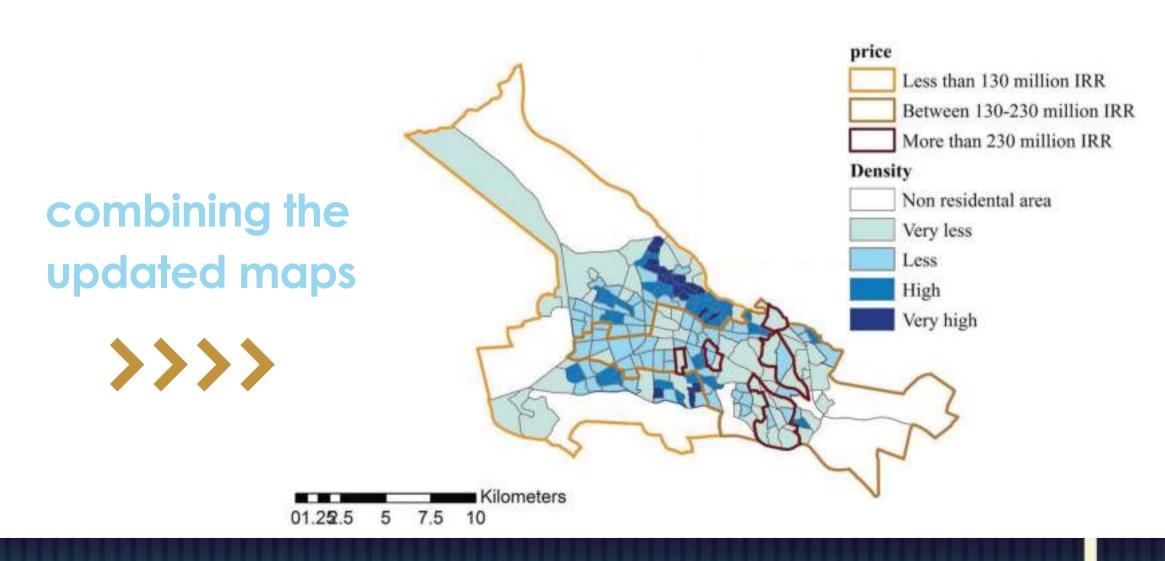


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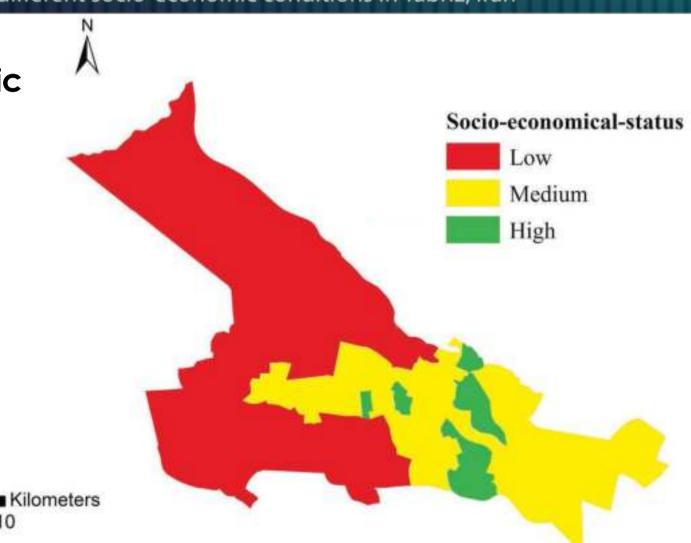


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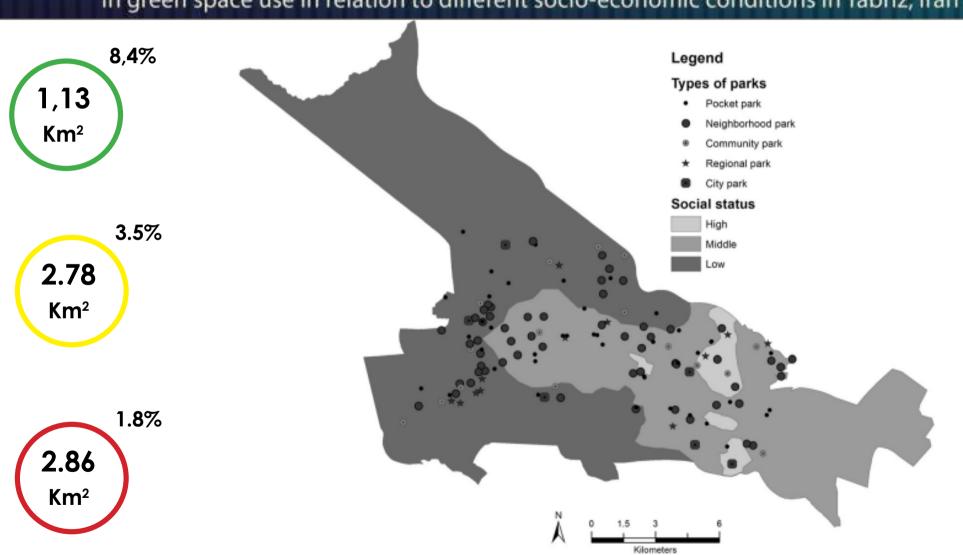
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Data Collection

- 1. Study previous articles
- 2. questionnaire
- 3. Data analysis in ARC GIS software
 - 1. Hotspot Analysis
 - 2. Moran's Index

- 1. personal information
- 2. accessibility
- 3. security

5 Sections

- 4. cultural condition
- 5. physical condition

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Questionnaires

Distribution of questionnaires

sample size: 384

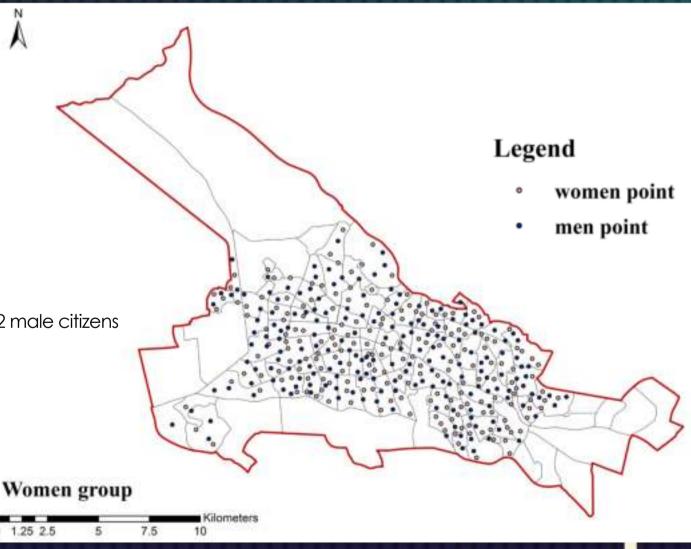
by Cochran's sampling formula

Random sampling, targeted 192 women and 192 male citizens

age 18-60

numerical reliability: 0.762

by Cronbach's alpha method





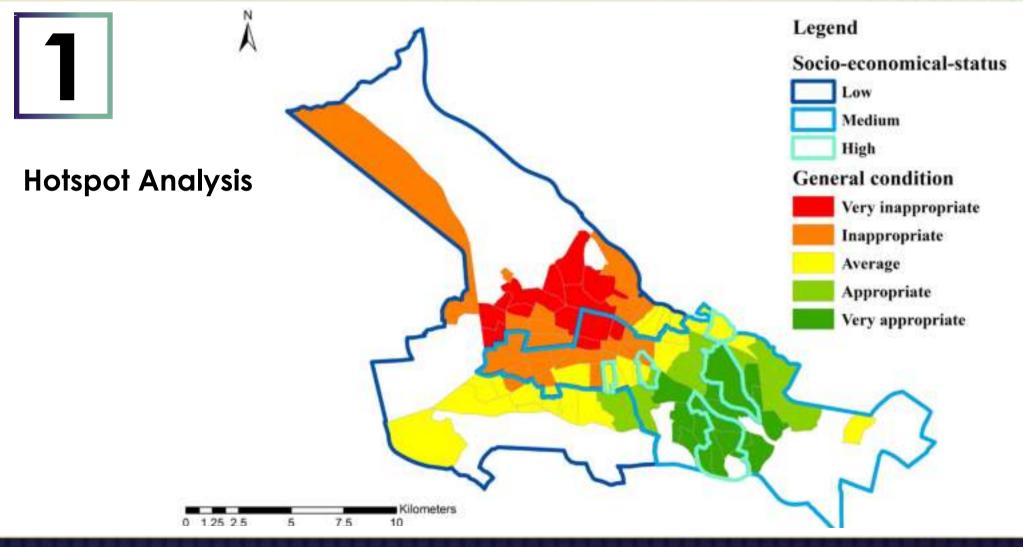
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Questions (Research indicators)

Indicator	Factors	Indicator	Factors
Accessibility	Physical and infrastructure conditions of access routes to parks	Cultural factors	The presence of disturbing and delinquent people
	public transportation system		Social monitoring
	Private transportation and parking issue		Socio-cultural conditions of park visitors
	Walking and cycling paths leading to parks		Behavioral patterns of people in parks
	Uses around parks and access routes	Physical condition	maintains and cleanliness
Security	Previous experiences and park security		under construction or abandoned
	records		buildings
	Possibility of being seen & seeing around		Visual appeal and decorative elements
	Crime and illegal activities		Equipment and amenities of the park
	Usability in night and Lighting		plants in parks (density and types)
	Perimeter control and Surveillance		access routes inside the park (path wide, material, amenities and)
	vandalism		Slope

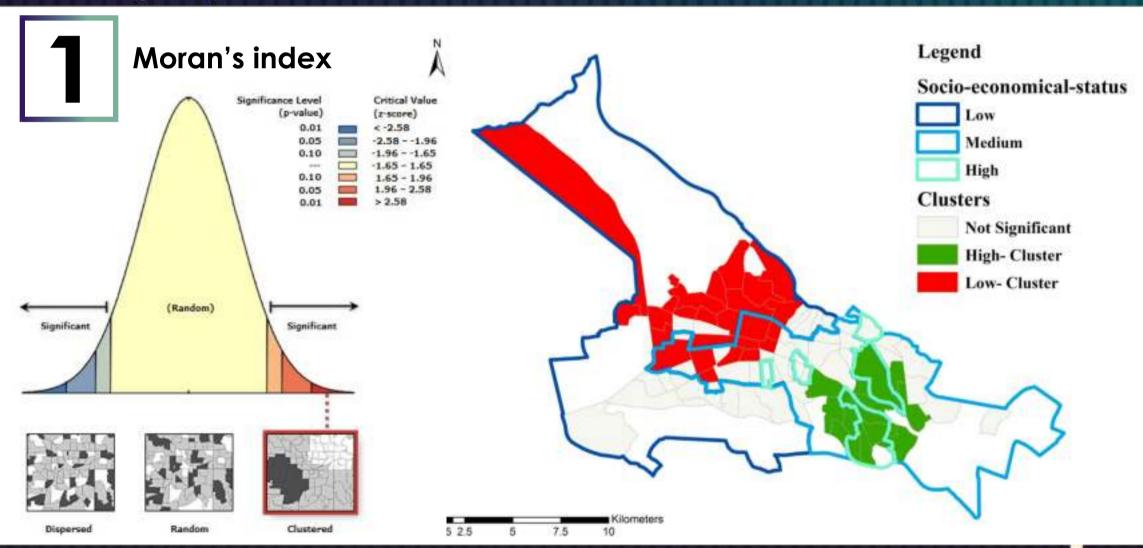


- 1. General findings about parks usage conditions ignoring gender factor
- 2. General findings considering gender factors

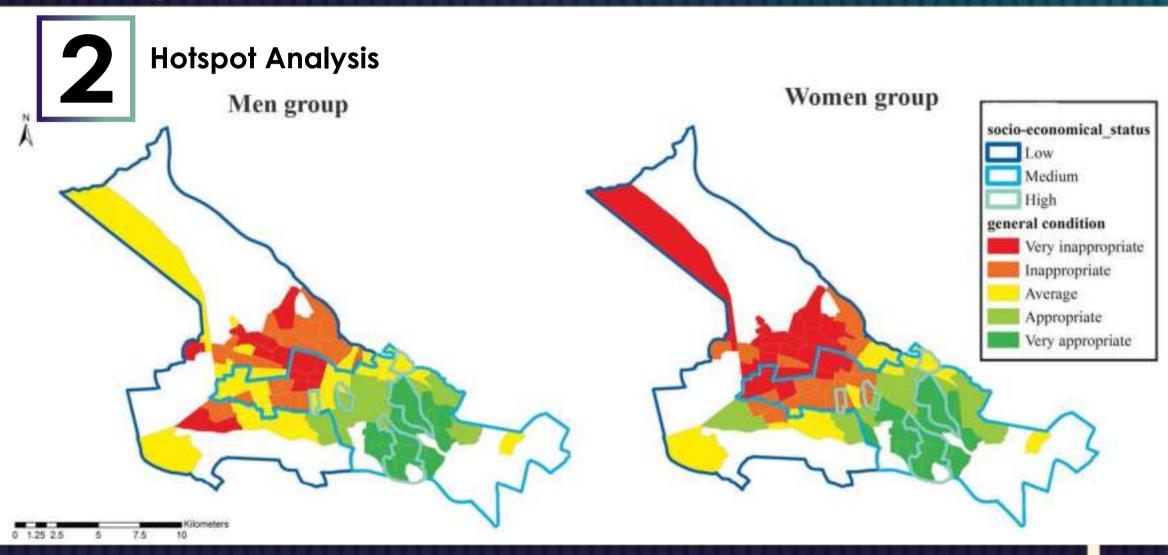




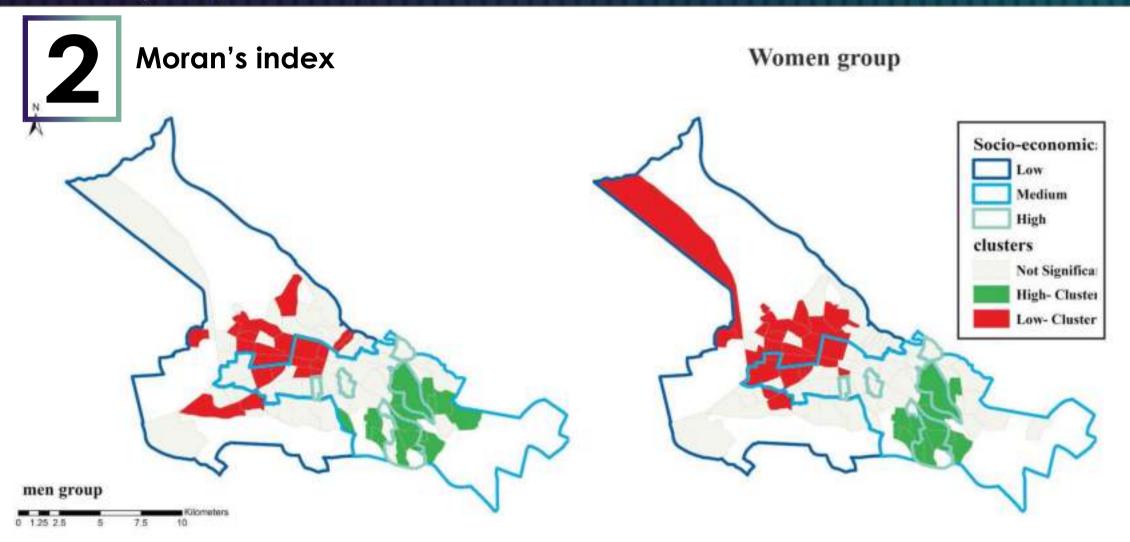
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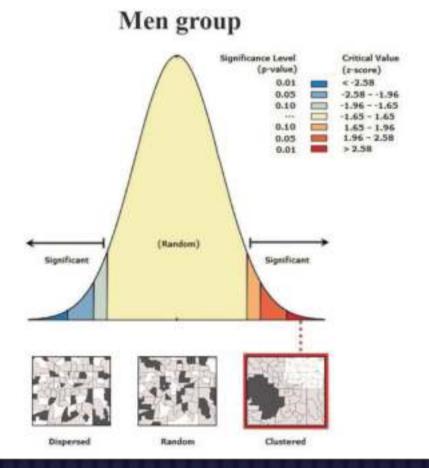
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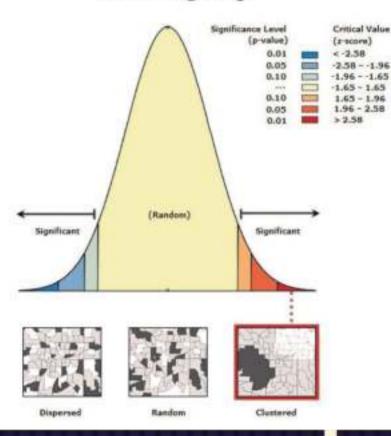
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Moran's index



Women group





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Results indicate that gender justice prevails in Tabriz when it comes to the usage of green areas. However, the degree of favorability of green space use is completely dependent on the socio-economic conditions of the localities.

There is a significant difference in the use made of urban green spaces between areas of high and areas of low socio-economic status. The favorability in areas of middle socio-economic status is a function of the location of each neighborhood; favorable conditions dominate in the vicinity of affluent areas whereas unfavorable conditions have been reported close to disadvantaged areas

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