



AN ANALYSIS OF THE SPATIAL PATTERN OF ACTIVITY TRANSITION IN A TRADITIONAL AFRICAN CITY: A CASE STUDY OF ILORIN, NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

This paper analyses the spatial pattern of activity linkages of people in Ilorin especially the types, location and the spatial pattern of the linkages among the diverse activities. Data were collected from 500 residents of Ilorin, each of whom completed a time budget diary over one week. Descriptive statistics was used to summarize the data while probability transition analysis was used to analyse the linkages between the activities. The result shows that the activities were fixed in space and that there is no significant linkage between the activities. The study also shows clearly that spatial structure of activity in Ilorin is different from what obtains in Western cities where there is strict zonation in the usage of space.

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