Information visualization techniques have been used to visualize spatiotemporal crime data for numerous analysis and investigative purposes. Recent applications of visual analytics techniques on big crime data help crime analysts to discover crime patterns and predict future crimes. New visualization techniques are also suggesting new ways of exploring crime data. Many law enforcement and intelligence experts are interested in these visualization techniques for their practical use. There have been many compelling research studies in these areas, presented in past intelligence and security informatics/computational criminology conferences. This thematic series on “Information Visualization and Visual Analytics for Crime Analysis and Prediction” is organized to foster this growing interest.

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- Geospatial crime hotspot visualization and analysis
- GIS visualization techniques for crime mapping
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- Collaborative and distributed visualization for multiple crime analysts
- Detecting crime patterns and predictions using visual analytics on big crime data
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