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Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich Wardrop (1952):

- The journey times on all the routes actually used are equal, and less than those which would be experienced by a single vehicle on any unused route.
- 2. The average journey time is **a** minimum.

Daganzo and Sheffi's (1977) define SUE for the aggregate case:

"In a SUE network, no user believes he can improve his travel time by unilaterally changing routes."

# Packing problem of the DUE, SO & SUE

Given the

Agent's daily schedules of predetermined detail

Subject to some

Max F

upto the resolution of the agents, links and facilities

Matching the

Expected elasticities with respect to the generalized costs Known correlations between the details of the plans Capacity constraints on the link and facilities Minimum loads for some of the facilities

# Key points of the critique of equilibrium approaches

- Travel is derived demand, with some exceptions
- The travellers are constrained by their commitments and tool ownership
- Travellers aren't in equilibrium
- Travellers don't know all alternatives
- Travellers don't plan their whole day (week) in advance

# Processes suggested tpo model personal daily dynamics



#### Processes suggested for personal long-term dynamics



# Thinking about SUE and best response

# Learning approach of the generic one-day transport model



# Equilibrium search in "ABM" & assignment combinations





# Following the agents



Initial plan of agent 1:

- Home 8:00
- Leg 0.20 Car Link 1, 2
- Work 8:00
- Leg 0:20 Car Link 2,1
- Home 7:40

Agent 2

- Home 8:00
- Leg 0.20 Car Link 3, 2
- Work 8:00
- Leg 0:20 Car Link 2, 3
- Home 7:40

List of scheduled events at 8:00

Agent 1 Enter link 1 8:00

Calculate free flow time on link 1 dt = 0.15

Agent 2 Enter link 3 8:00

Calculate free flow time on link  $_3 dt = 0.16$ 

List of scheduled events at 8:01

- Agent 1Join queue at end of link 18:15
- Agent 2 Join queue at end of link 3 8:16

List of scheduled events at 8:15

Agent 1Check queue at end of link 18:15

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Can agent 1 leave the link ?
If yes, add
Agent 1 Leaves link 1 8:15
If no, add
Agent 1 At end of queue 8:16
Agent 2 Join queue at end of link 3 8:16
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- TU Berlin (Prof. Nagel)
- ETH Zürich
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Coordination via:

- User meeting
- Design meeting
- Developer meeting
- Code committee
- Regular releases of the code

# **Known implementations**

Location	Scale (agents	Schedules )	DTA	Equi- librium
Switzerland	10 <sup>6</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
Berlin	10 <sup>6</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
München	10 <sup>6</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
Singapore	10 <sup>6</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
Gauteng	10 <sup>6</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
Cape Town	10 <sup>6</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
(Seoul)	10 <sup>7</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
(Shanghai)	10 <sup>7</sup>	MATSim	MATSim	Yes
Tel Aviv	10 <sup>6</sup>	ABM	MATSim	-
Toronto	10 <sup>7</sup>	Tasha	MATSim	-
Los Angeles	10 <sup>7</sup>	CEMDAP	MATSim	_
Netherlands	10 <sup>7</sup>	Albatross	MATSim	-
Dublin	10 <sup>6</sup>	-	MATSim	-
(London)	10 <sup>7</sup>	ABM	MATSim	-

Number and type of activities Sequence of activities

- Start and duration of activity
- Composition of the group undertaking the activity
- Expenditure division
- Location of the activity
  - Movement between sequential locations
    - Location of access and egress from the mean of transport
      - Parking type
    - Vehicle/means of transport
    - Route/service
    - Group travelling together
    - Expenditure division

# **Current Vickrey-type utility function**

$$U_{plan} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} U_{act,i} + \sum_{i=2}^{n} U_{trav,i-1,i}$$

$$U_{act,i} = U_{dur,i} + U_{late.ar,i}$$

Population: Census-based (sample); Through traffic from surveys

Number, type, sequence and duration of activities:

- Conditional random draw from observed categorised MZ 2000-2005 distributions by person type
- Location of work/school activity:
  - Census commuter matrix
- Location of secondary activities:
  - Random constrained selection or
  - Capacity-constrained MNL within a time-space prism
  - Mode choice:
    - MZ-based subtour MNL
  - Route choice:
    - Improved A\* shortest path

# Mode choice: Tour (journey)



#### Mode choice: Subtour



Number and type of activities Sequence of activities

- Start and duration of activity
  - Random mutation
  - Planomat: GA optimiser
- Composition of the group undertaking the activity
- Expenditure division
- Location of the activity
  - Location of access and egress from the mean of transport
    - Parking type
  - Vehicle/means of transport
  - Route/service
  - Group travelling together
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During the iterations:

- Optimisation of start time and duration of the activities
- Random location of the activity (with capacity constraint)
- Vehicle/means of transport at sub-tour level
- Optimal routes
- Event-oriented queue-based traffic flow simulation

For a search space of:

- $6.0 \times 10^6$  agents with 11 activity types
- 1.6 \* 10<sup>6</sup> facilities
- 0.8 \* 10<sup>6</sup> links
- 24 \* 60 \* 60 seconds

#### 2009 MATSim Switzerland: Computing time



Iteration

#### Quality of the results: Overall counts



# Quality of the results: A1 at Winterthur (no transit traffic)



Network: 113 000 links Population: 4,5 million agents Public Transport: 530 lines, 96 transit vehicle types

Mode choice, Departure time choice, Route choice (car + transit)



### **Current progress: Switzerland**

Network: ~ 1 million links (navigation network) Population: 8 million Complete public transport (all trains, buses, trams, cablecars, ...) Mode choice, Departure time choice, Route choice (car + transit)



### **Current progress: Switzerland (cont'd)**

Using the model also for site assessment and pedestrian counts



### **Current progress: Los Angeles**

Network: 108 000 links Population: 10+ million agents Public transport: Estimated travel times only Mode choice, Departure time choice, Route choice



# **Current progress: Singapore**

Network: 80 000 links

Population: 5 million

#### Complete public transport (bus, MRT)

Mode choice, Departure time choice, Route choice (car + transit)



#### **Current progress: Singapore**



Number and type of activities Sequence of activities (Feil, 2010)

- Start and duration of activity
- Composition of the group undertaking the activity (Kowald)
- Expenditure division
- Location of the activity

(Horni)

- Movement between sequential locations
  - Location of access and egress from the mean of transport
    - Parking search and type
  - Vehicle/means of transport
  - Route/service
  - Group travelling together
  - Expenditure division

(Dubernet)

(Waraich)

(Ciari)

### Joh's 2004 utility function for activities

$$U_{perf,ij}(t_{perf,ij}) = U_{ij}^{min} + \frac{U_{ij}^{max} - U_{ij}^{min}}{\left(1 + \gamma_{ij} \cdot exp\left[\beta_{ij}(\alpha_{ij} - t_{perf,ij})\right]\right)^{1/\gamma_{ij}}}$$



#### Planomat-X with schedule recycling





#### Nodes map-to-map-matching tool



# Interactive capacity and free speed fixing tool



# **Results: Capacity changes**



#### Bus routes map matching problem



# Algorithm

For each pair of consecutive stops in a route:

- 1. Selection of candidate links related to the departure stop
- 2. Selection of candidate links related to the arrival stop
- 3. Shortest path algorithm between each pair of links
- 4. Selection of the best path

Save selected links and path, continue with the next pair of stops



#### Demonstration



# Interaction between car and buses (purple)

#### Without buslane: Adam Rd / PIE

With buslane: Gelyang Rd, aft Sims Way







Source: maps.google.com

## Simulation of public transport supply in Singapore



# Wider challenges for transport modelling

#### Social networks, e.g. Current snowball sample



#### Social networks, e.g. Linked ego-centric networks



#### Longer term projects



Number of larger projects in the last 5 years

# Integration of land use (optimisation)





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