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Direct Demand models: A relevant alternative In the age Of Big Data?

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Issue at hand

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

Parcel use by type Land value by parcel

- Intensity of use
- Value added by the use
 - Wages paid to the workers
 - Rents paid to the landlords
- Environmental services rendered
- Aesthetic externalities
 - Space for movement between locations
 - Space for parking at the locations
 - Service level of public transport, taxi & sharing fleets
 - Home-work linkage
 - Home-education linkage

To agree to the (comprehensive) tracking required of:

- Public transport use (smart cards, face recognition via CCTV)
- Car use (ERP, automatic video analysis, blue tooth)
- Walking (face recognition via CCTV, phone identification)
- Movement (GSM records, GPS traces)

To wait for the models:

- (To be programmed)
- To be estimated
- To be implemented
- To be calibrated
- To be run and the results analysed
- To be run including a full/adequate risk analysis

What do we need ?

- Basic:
 - $\Delta volume_{ijmg}$
 - Δtravel time_{ijmg}
 - Aprice_{ijmg}
- Group g by
 - Income
 - (Distance)
 - Purpose
 - Age
 - Gender
 - Ethnicity

- Basic:
 - $\Delta volume_{im}$
 - Δspeed_{im}
- Advanced:

 - ∆volume_{ijm}
 ∆travel time_{ijm}

- Intensity of land use by
 - Car-owning population (by type)
 - Employment (by type)
- Network densities by
 - Node
 - Link capacity
 - Parking spaces
 - Seat capacity
- Prices (densities) of
 - Parking
 - Link

Average weekday peak hour speeds (Kanton Zürich)





Alternative approach and its model formulation



Spatial weighting matrix (2) – Spatial/network neighbour

Spatial neighbour:

 n closest links from centre of link

5 spatial neighbours (Euclidian distance)

Network neighbour:

- reachable links passing n (max.) intersections
- 2 intersections → ~5 neighbours (network distance)



Model	Best W-matrix	\overline{R}^2
Weighted least squares (WLS)	not needed	0.5347
Spatial error model (SEM)	W _a : <i>not needed</i> W _e : 3 network neighbours	0.5749
Spatial autoregressive model (SAR)	W _a : 4 network neighbours W _e : <i>not needed</i>	0.5518
General spatial model (SAC)	W _a : 4 network neighbours W _e : 3 network neighbours	0.5827

Sarlas on Swiss speeds

Case study



	SAR error	SAR lag	SAC
Explanatory variables	coeff.	coeff.	coeff.
Speed-limit	0.254	0.272	0.26
Highways: Constant	96.456	38.421	83.897
Trunk roads: Constant	56.704	26.84	51.514
Collector roads: Constant	54.042	30.047	51.287
Distributor roads: Constant	38.941	24.363	38.95
Urban roads: Constant	30.332	20.189	30.428
Curveness	-3.592	-4.248	-3.597
Distributor: PuT stops density,r=0.5km	-0.083	-0.186	-0.143
Urban: PuT stops density, r=0.2km	-0.095	-0.073	-0.094
Highways: In(popul, r=5km)	-7.978	-2.073	-5.962
Trunk roads: ln(popul,r=2km)	-3.602	-1.497	-3.15
Collector roads: In(employm,r=2km,kernel)	-3.429	-2.04	-3.452
Distributor roads: In(employm,r=1km,kernel)	-1.081	-0.881	-1.244
Urban roads: ln(employm,r=0.5km,kernel)	-0.501	-0.404	-0.554
Urban roads: Ramps' dens, r=1km	0.346*	-0.054	-0.049
Distributor roads: Road density, r=500 m	-0.271	-0.133	-0.256
Urban roads: Road density, r=100 m	-0.112	-0.093	-0.115
(length dummies)			21

Estimation and comparison of models of average v

Map of some of the 635 elected routes (635)



Path analysis of the 3 parameter GE





Observed variables

What is next?

What is next?

- Compare
 - Differences by model against counts, measurements
 - Differences between models
- Which (policy) changes can be captured
 - Fully
 - Partially
 - How to translate change into model variable change
- How often is the CBA recommendation different ?

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