



Socially-Aware Mobility

FOSTERING AN EQUITABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TRANSIT SYSTEM IN ATLANTA

End-to-End Learning and Optimization

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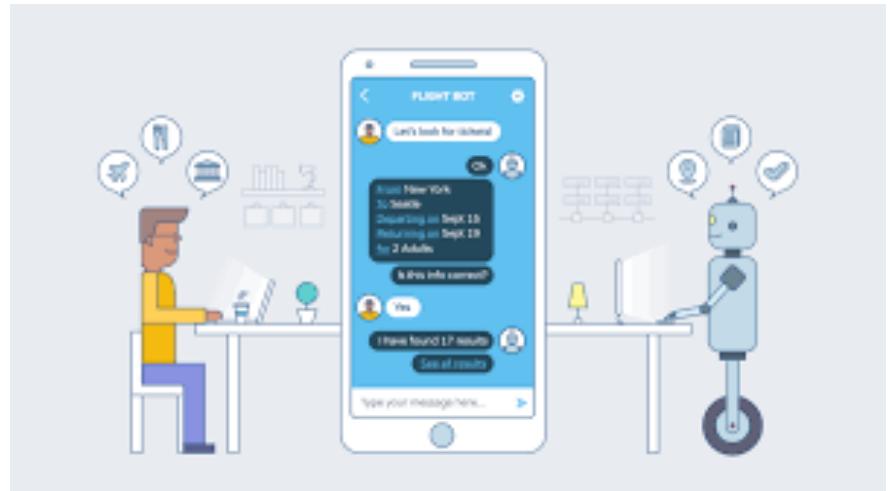
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Artificial intelligence goes deep to beat humans at poker

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Artificial Intelligence



NEXT CHALLENGE



Artificial Intelligence for ISEngineering



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Learning Optimization Proxies
- ride-hailing systems

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- on-demand transit systems

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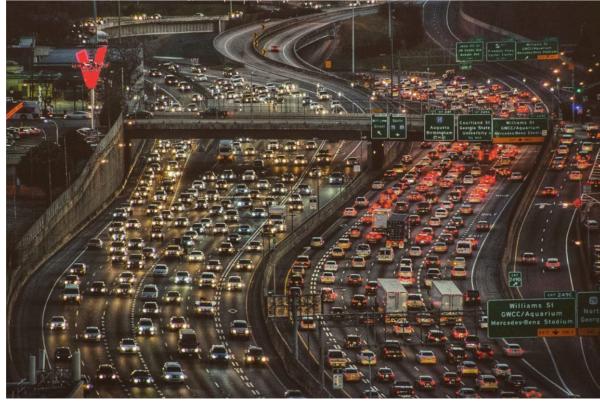
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Ride-Hailing Systems and Congestion



LOCAL, NEWS

Atlanta Named One of the Worst Cities For Commuting – AGAIN

By GAFollowers • @GAFollowers • On May 5, 2019

RESEARCH ARTICLE | ECONOMICS

Do transportation network companies decrease or increase congestion?

Gregory D. Erhardt^{1,*}, Sneha Roy¹, Drew Cooper², Bhargava Sana², Mei Chen¹ and Joe Castiglione²

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► Observations

- Between 2010 and 2016, weekday vehicle hours of delay increased by 62% compared to 22% in a counterfactual 2016 scenario without TNCs.

Congestion

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NEW YORK CITY GOES AFTER UBER AND LYFT



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In major defeat for Uber and Lyft, New York City votes to limit ride-hailing cars

NYC becomes the first American city to restrict the explosive growth in for-hire vehicles

By Shoshana Wodinsky | Aug 8, 2018, 4:39pm EDT

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Prior Work

On-demand high-capacity ride-sharing via dynamic trip-vehicle assignment



Javier Alonso-Mora, Samitha Samaranayake, Alex Wallar, Emilio Frazzoli, and Daniela Rus

PNAS January 17, 2017 114 (3) 462-467; first published January 3, 2017 <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1611675114>

Edited by Michael F. Goodchild, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA, and approved November 22, 2016 (received for review July 20, 2016)

- **98% of riders**
- 3000 vehicles
- average wait: 3.8 min
- average deviation: 3.5 min

This article has a correction. Please see:

Correction for Alonso-Mora et al., On-demand high-capacity ride-sharing via dynamic trip-vehicle assignment

Article

Figures & SI

Info & Metrics

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Large-Scale Ride-Sharing Systems

► Constraints

- service guarantees
 - a rider will always be served
- ride duration cannot exceed a certain threshold
 - 50% more duration or a small constant (e.g., 4 minutes)

► Objective

- minimizing average waiting time

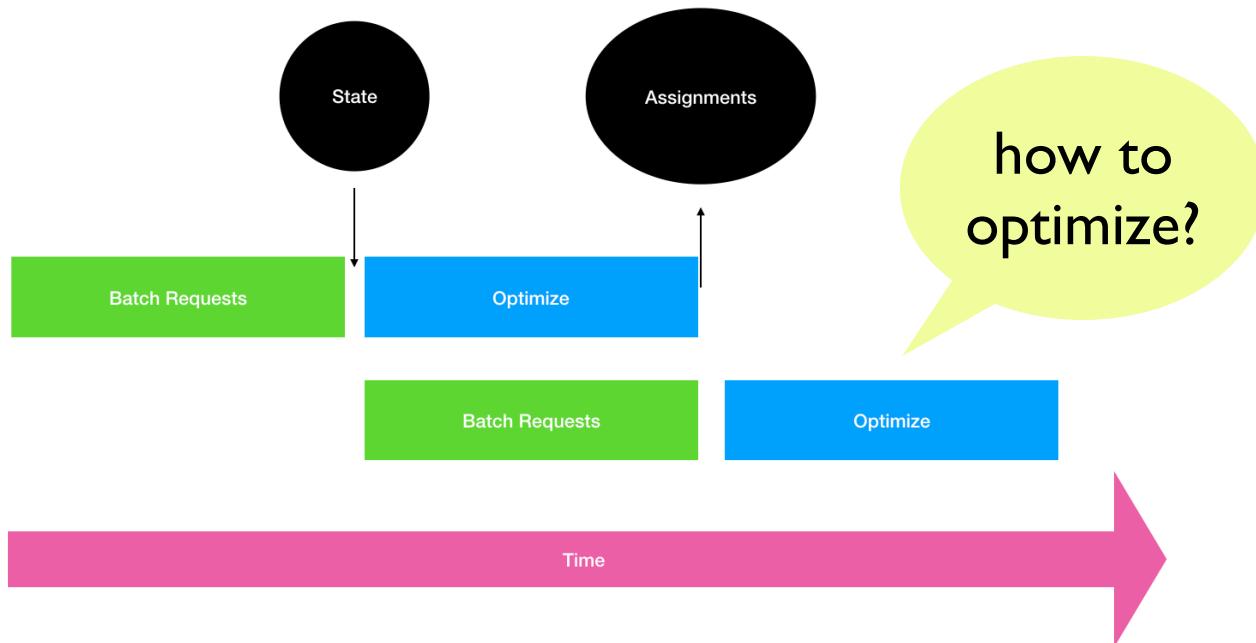
► Secondary objective

- a rider cannot wait too long

► Computational challenges

- 1/2 million requests a day
- 500 requests every 30 seconds

Real-Time Optimization



The Master Optimization Problem

waiting
times

$$\min \sum_{r \in R} c_r y_r + \sum_{i \in P} p_i z_i$$

subject to

$$\left(\sum_{r \in R} y_r a_i^r \right) + z_i = 1 \quad \forall i \in P \quad (\pi_i)$$

$$\sum_{r \in R_v} y_r = 1 \quad \forall v \in V \quad (\sigma_v)$$

$$z_i \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall i \in P$$

$$y_r \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall r \in R$$

covering
the riders

one route per
vehicle

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penalty for
lack of service

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riders not served
in this period

The Pricing Problem

- ▶ Significant challenge
 - minimization of waiting times
- ▶ Makes it hard to use
 - resource constrained shortest paths
- ▶ Time-expanded graphs?
 - computational issues
- ▶ Solution
 - exact anytime dedicated algorithm
 - disjoint routes
 - pruning techniques

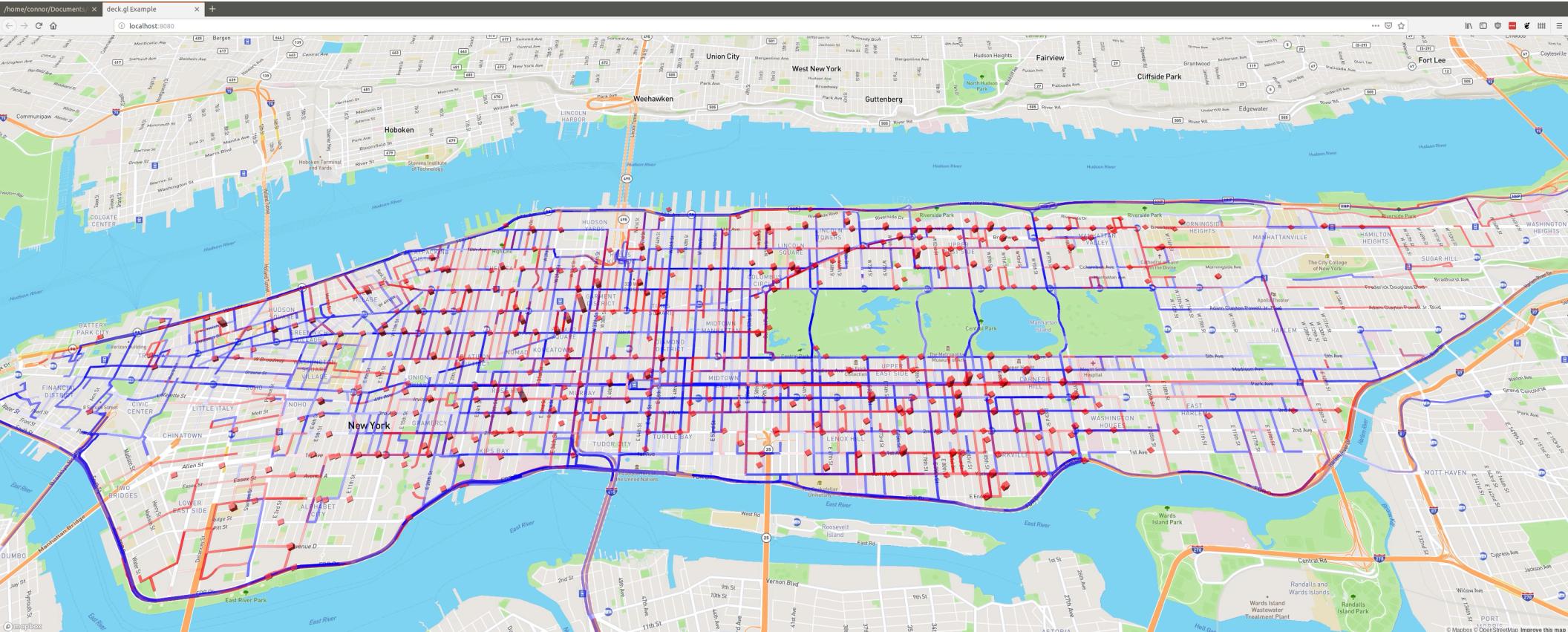
$$\min \sum_{i \in P_v} (u_i - e_i) - \sum_{i \in P_v} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{ij} \pi_i - \sigma_v$$

subject to

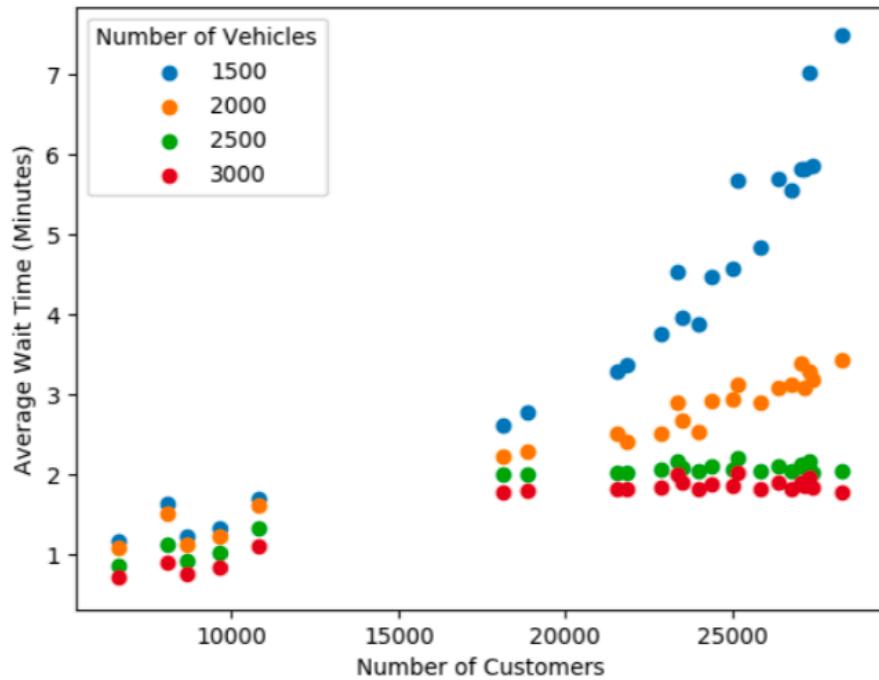
$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{ij} &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_j && \forall i \in \mathcal{N}_v \setminus \{0, s\} \\
 \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{0j} &= 1 \\
 \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{js} &= 1 \\
 \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{ij} - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{n+i,j} &= 1 && \forall i \in P_v \\
 \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_v} x_{ij} &= 1 && \forall j \in I_v \\
 u_j &\geq (u_i + \Delta_i + t_{ij})_+ && \forall i, j \in \mathcal{N}_v \\
 u_0 &\geq T_v^B \\
 u_s &\leq T_v^E \\
 u_i &\geq e_i && \forall i \in P_v \\
 t_i &\leq u_{n+i} - (u_i + \Delta_i) \leq 1 && \forall i \in P_v \\
 t_i &\leq u_i - (u_i^P + \Delta_i) \leq m && \forall i \in I_v \\
 w_j &\geq (w_i + q_j)x_{ij} && \forall i, j \in \mathcal{N}_v \\
 0 \leq w_i &\leq Q_v && \forall i \in \mathcal{N}_v \\
 x_{ij} &\in \{0, 1\} && \forall i, j \in \mathcal{N}_v
 \end{aligned}$$

Fig. 3: The Pricing Problem Formulation for Vehicle v .

Real-Time Ride Sharing



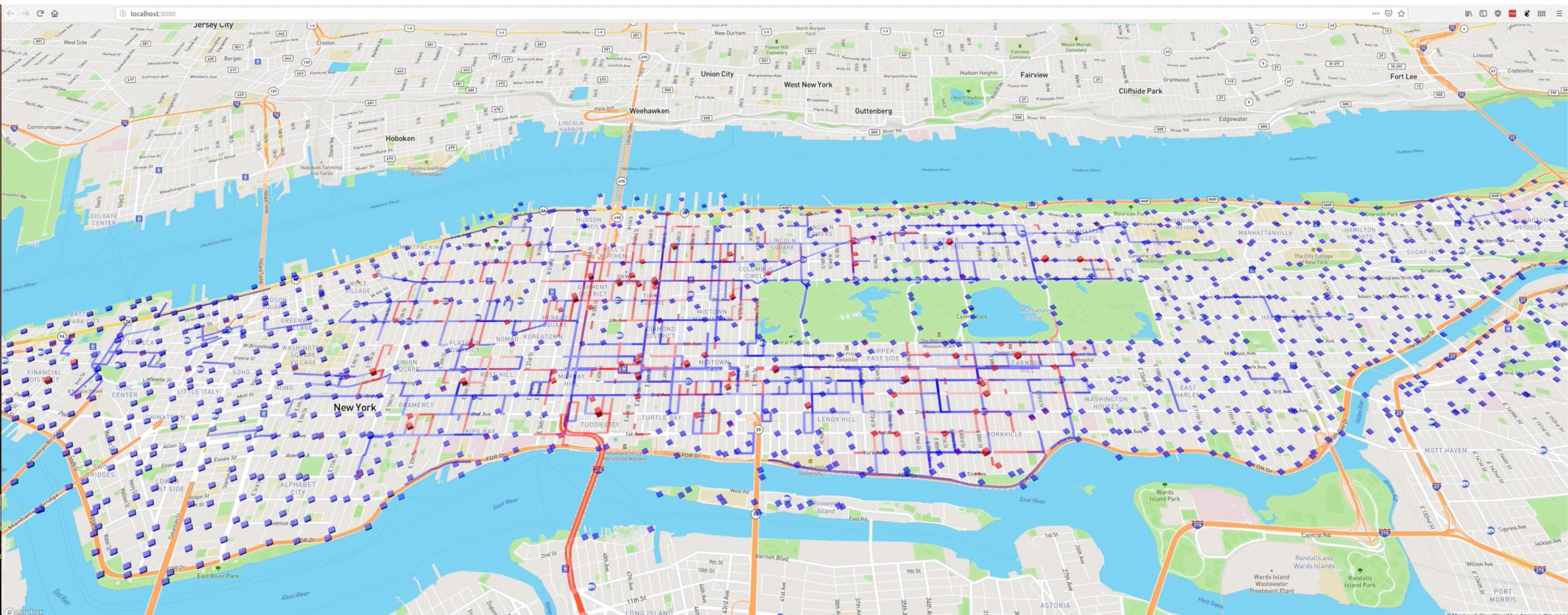
Experimental Results on NYC



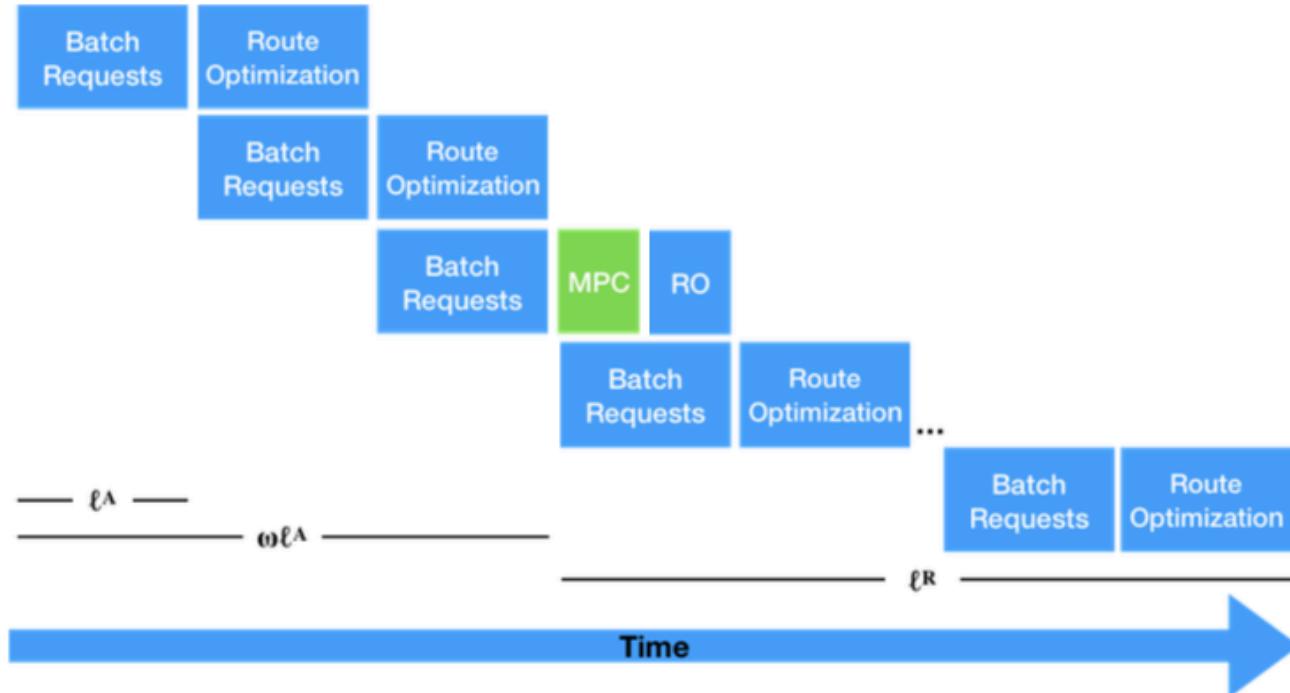
- 100% riders
- 2000 vehicles
- average wait: 3.6 min
- average deviation: 1.48 min

Waiting Times

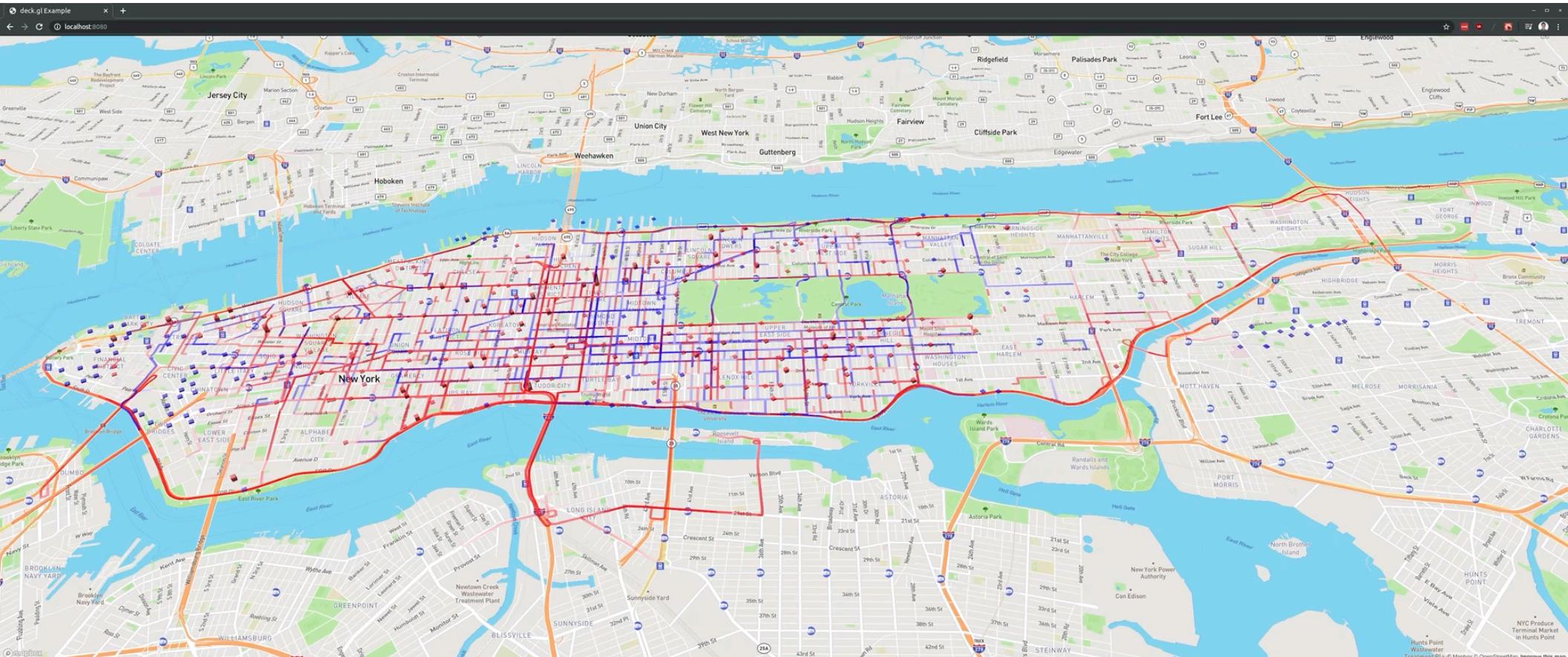
Vehicle Utilization



Optimization + ML + MPC

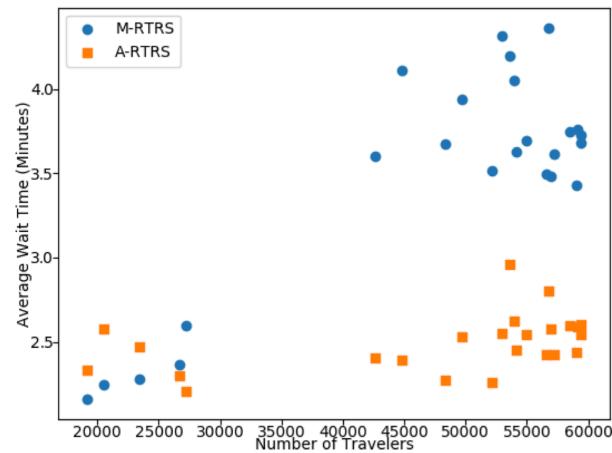


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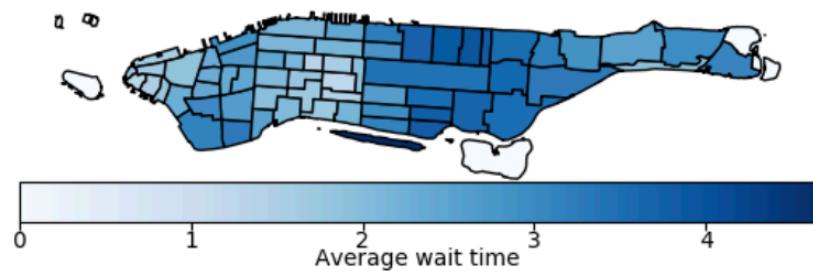
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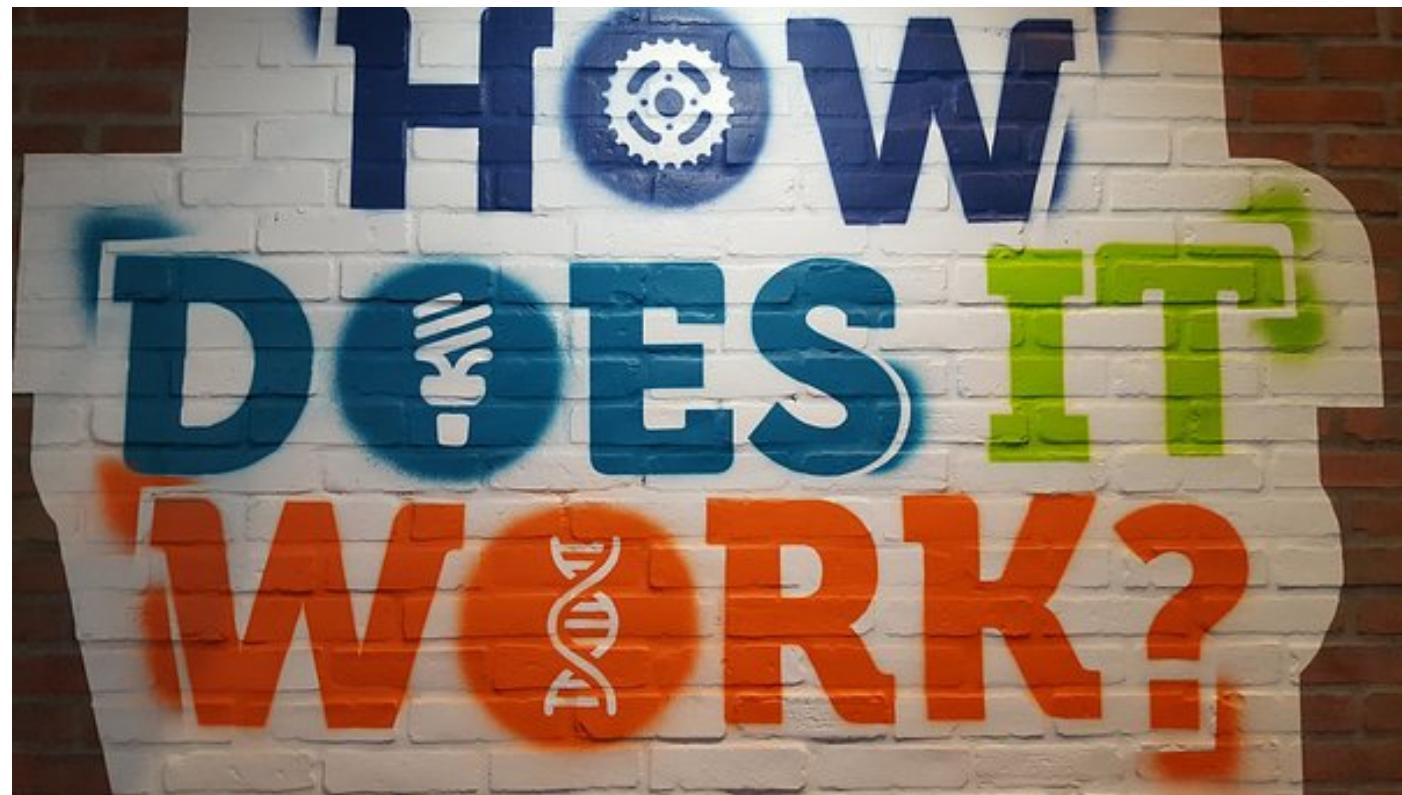
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Overview of the MPC

- ▶ Coarser Time and Space Granularity
 - zonal level instead of individual requests
 - frequency is an order of magnitude longer
- ▶ Demand forecasting
 - vector autoregression
- ▶ Model Predictive Control
 - zone balancing
 - vehicle assignment

Demand Forecasting

- ▶ Forecasting the demand from zone i to j at time t
 - sparsity may be an issue for some zones
- ▶ Two steps
 - predicting the demand in a zone z in time period t
 - approximate the zone to zone demand with historical data
- ▶ Predicting the zone demand
 - predict the weekly differenced demand
 - to handle non-stationarity
 - use the zone and its adjacent zones

$$\delta_{zt} = \phi_{zt-1}\Delta_{zt-1} + \cdots + \phi_{zt-k}\Delta_{zt-k} + \eta$$

Zone Balancing

$$\min \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \sum_{i,j \in Z} (T-t) u_{ijt} + \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \sum_{i,j \in Z} t t_{ij} x_{ijt}^r$$

minimize
unserved requests
and relocations

subject to

$$x_{ij0}^p + u_{ij0} = \lceil \bar{\lambda}_{ij0}/w_{ij} \rceil \quad (\forall i, j)$$

flow conservation
for requests

$$x_{ijt}^p + u_{ijt} = \lceil \bar{\lambda}_{ijt}/w_{ij} \rceil + u_{ijt-1} \quad (\forall i, j, t)$$

$$\sum_j x_{ijt}^p + x_{ijt}^r = |A_{it-1}| + \sum_j x_{j, it-tt_{ji}}^p + x_{j, it-tt_{ji}}^r$$

flow conservation
for vehicles

$$x_{ijt}^p \in \mathbb{Z}, x_{ijt}^r \in \mathbb{Z}, u_{ijt} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

vehicles with
passengers
moving from i to
j at time t

empty vehicles
moving from i to
j at time t

scaled unserved
requests from i
to j at time t

Vehicle Relocation

$$\min \sum_{v \in A_{i0}} \sum_j c_{vj} y_{vj}$$

minimize relocation time

$$\text{subject to } \sum_{v \in A_{i0}} y_{vj} = \bar{x}_{ij0}^r \quad \forall j \in Z$$

meet the
relocation demand

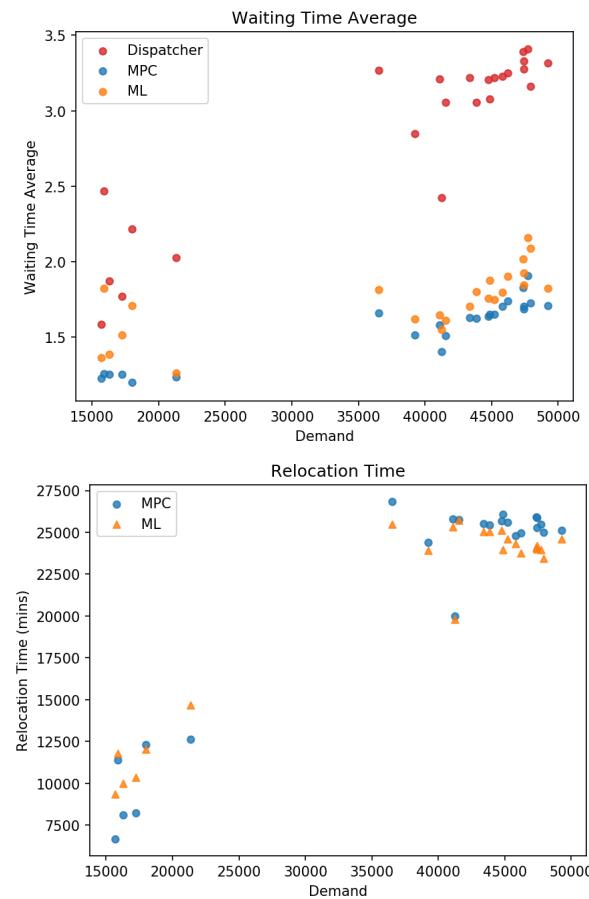
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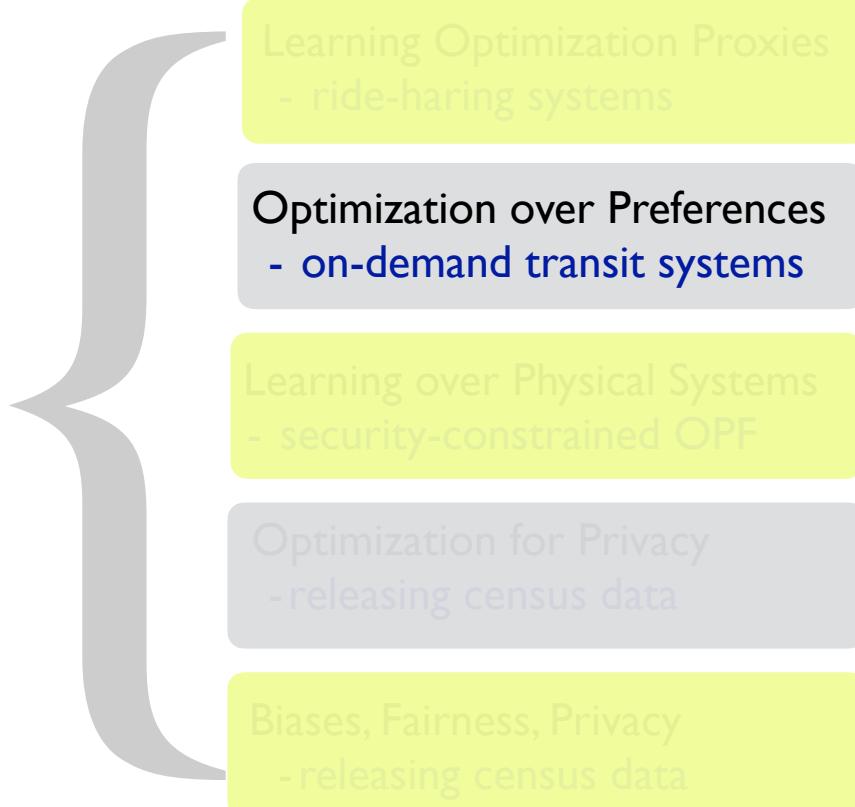
= 1 if vehicle v
relocates to
zone j

Closing the Loop

- ▶ Learning the relocation model
 - overcoming the potential runtime limitations
- ▶ Optimization proxies
 - learning an optimization model
- ▶ Given
 - the current state of the system
- ▶ predict
 - the relocation decisions
- ▶ Technique
 - Kernel support vector regression



Motivation



Transforming Public Transit

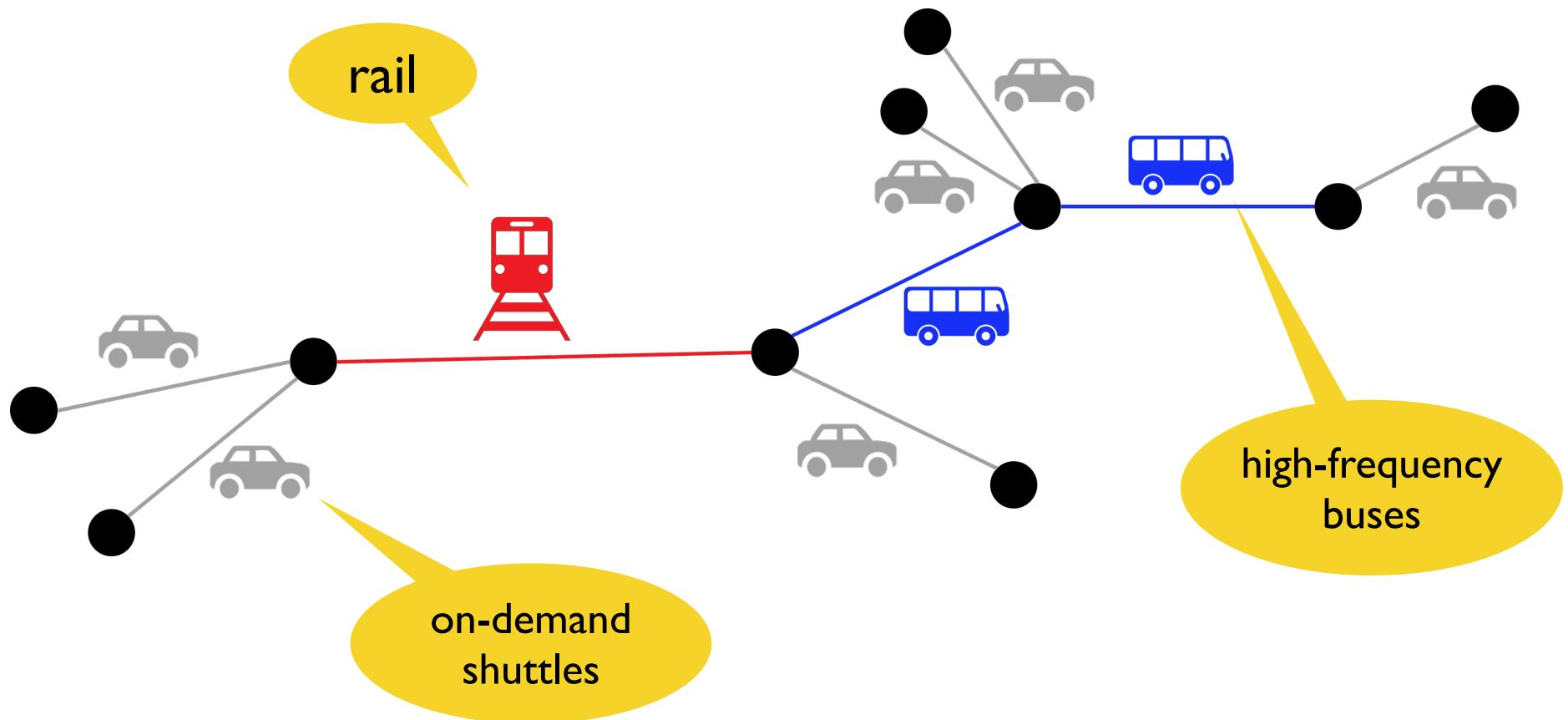


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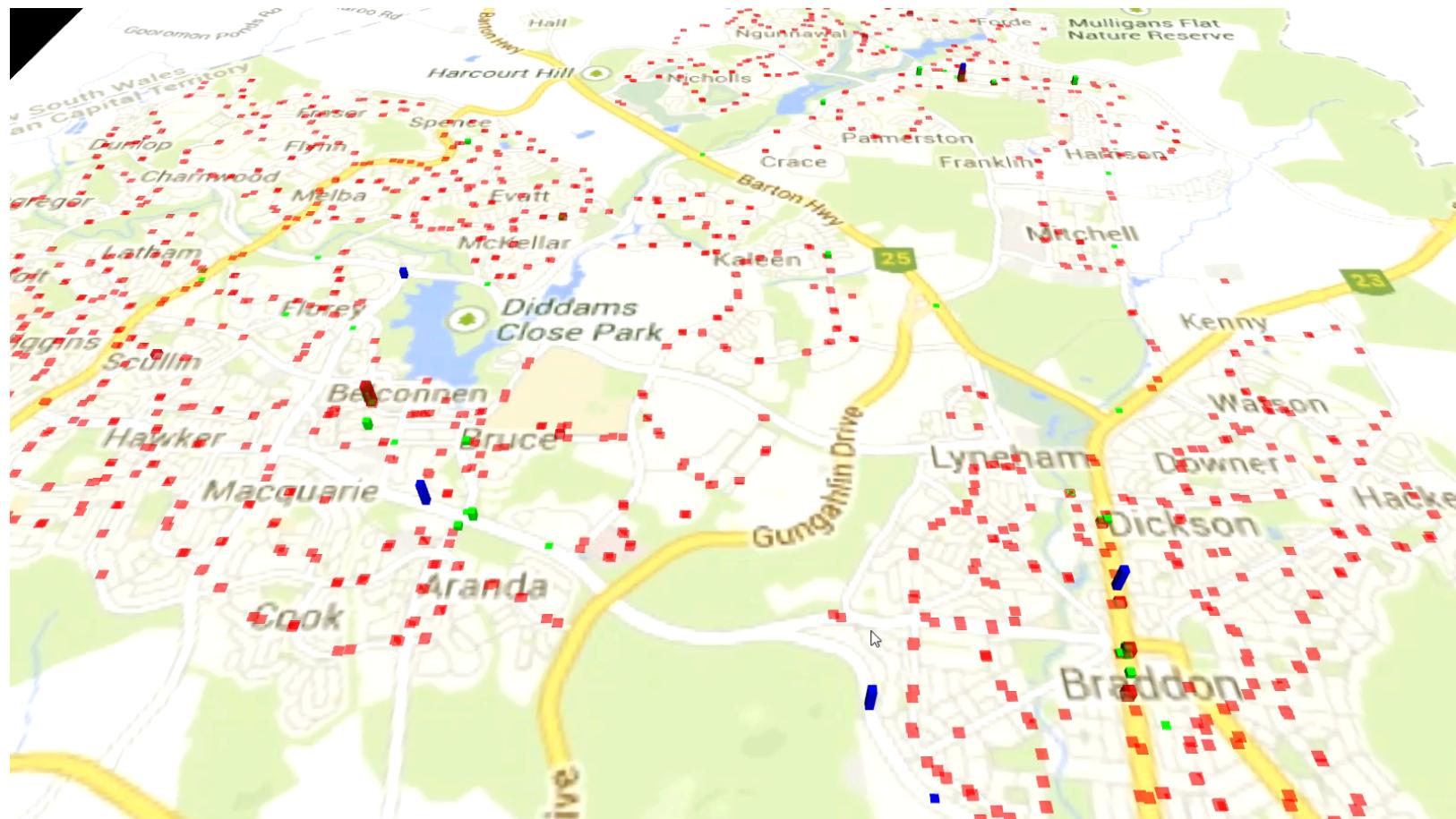


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On-Demand Multimodal Public Transit



On-Demand Multimodal Transit System



On-Demand Multimodal Transit System

- ▶ On Demand and “*door to door*”
 - to address the first/last mile problem
- ▶ Multi-modal
 - to address congestion/economy of scale
 - fleets of trains, rapid transit buses, shuttles, electric bikes, scooters
- ▶ Electrified
 - no range anxiety, no emission
- ▶ Sustainable business model
 - the same price as a transit system
 - order of magnitude cheaper than Uber and Lyft
- ▶ Planned and operated holistically
 - fundamentally different from “transit + micro-transit”
- ▶ Societal impact
 - improving access to entire population segments

On-Demand Multimodal Public Transit

On-Demand Transit

Existing Transit

Day	BusPLUS				ACTION		
	Z	Buses (\$)	Cost (\$)	Time (s)	Z	Cost (\$)	Time (s)
Monday	31	31,989.33	202,122.34	855.87	3,068	402,006.75	1,635.22
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Wednesday	33	33,135.41	205,814.09	849.01	3,068	402,006.75	1,620.79
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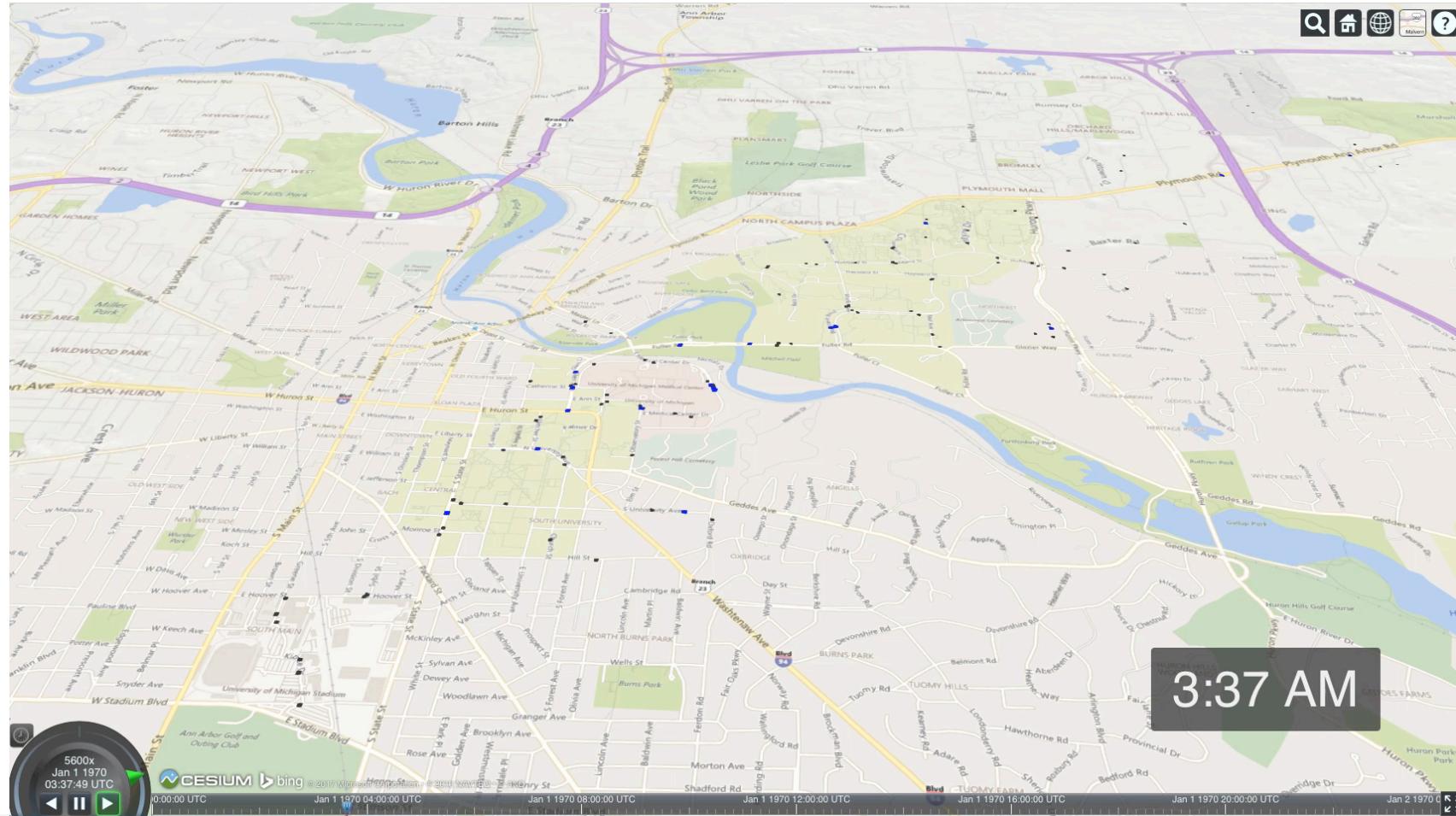
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The UM Transit System



Before/After Comparisons

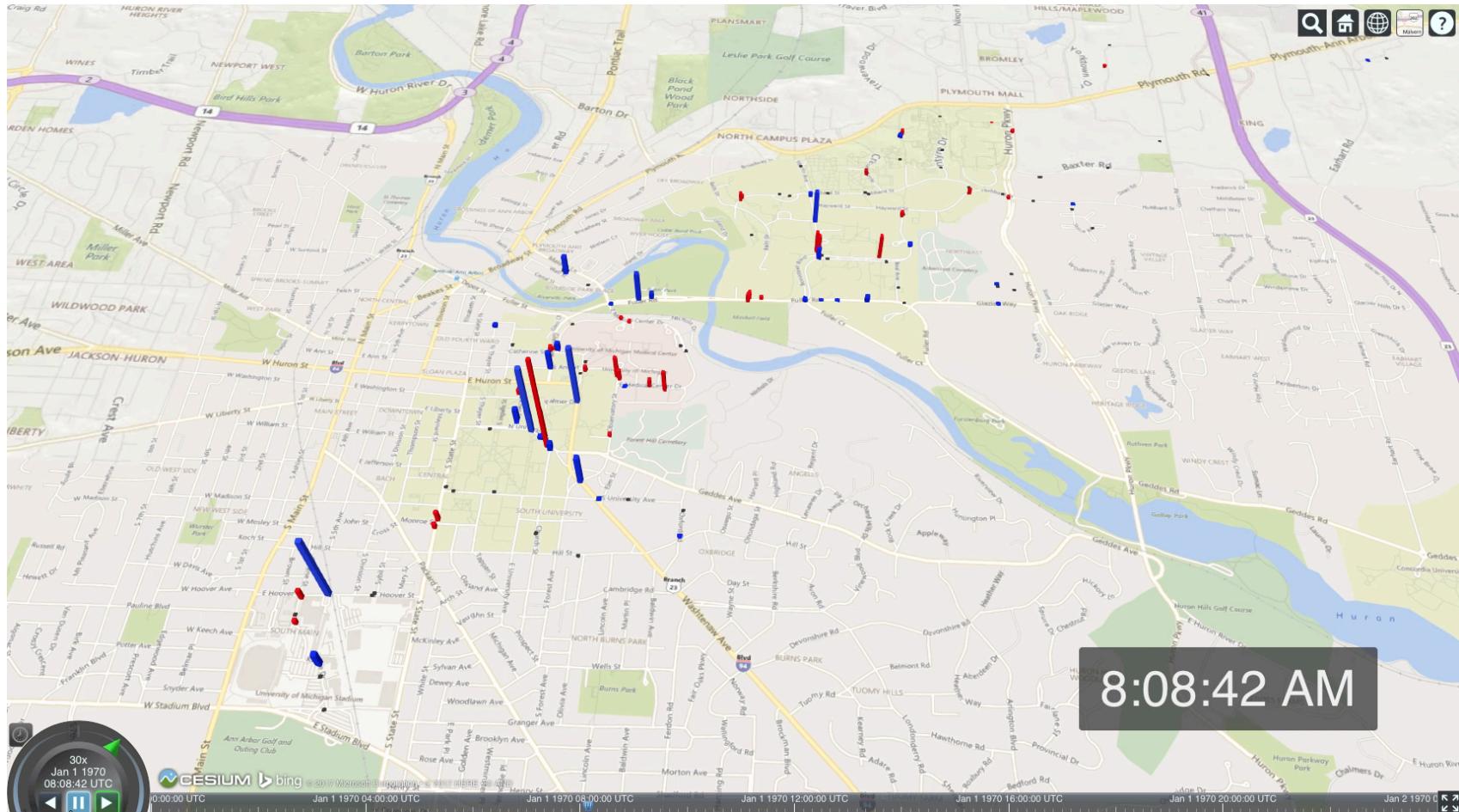


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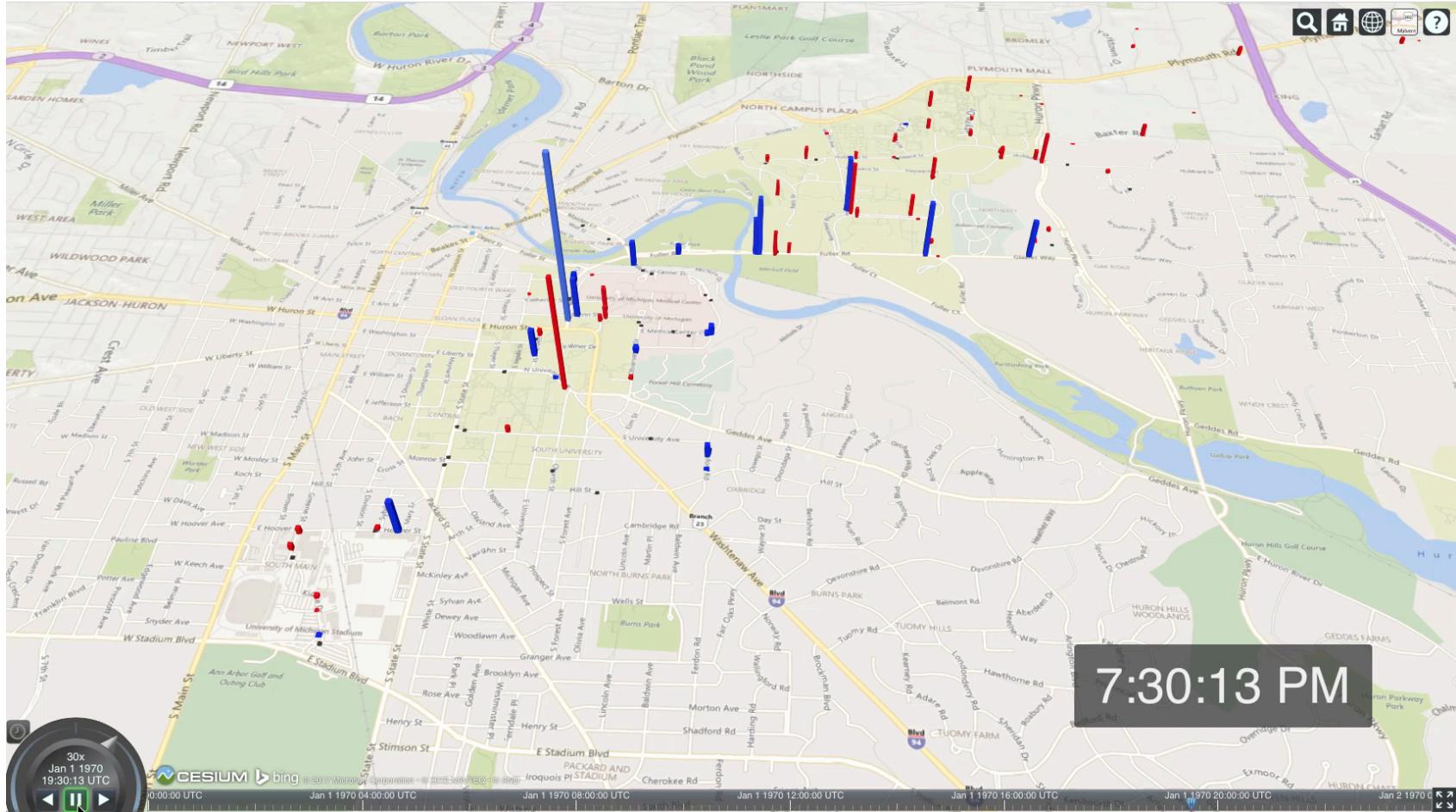


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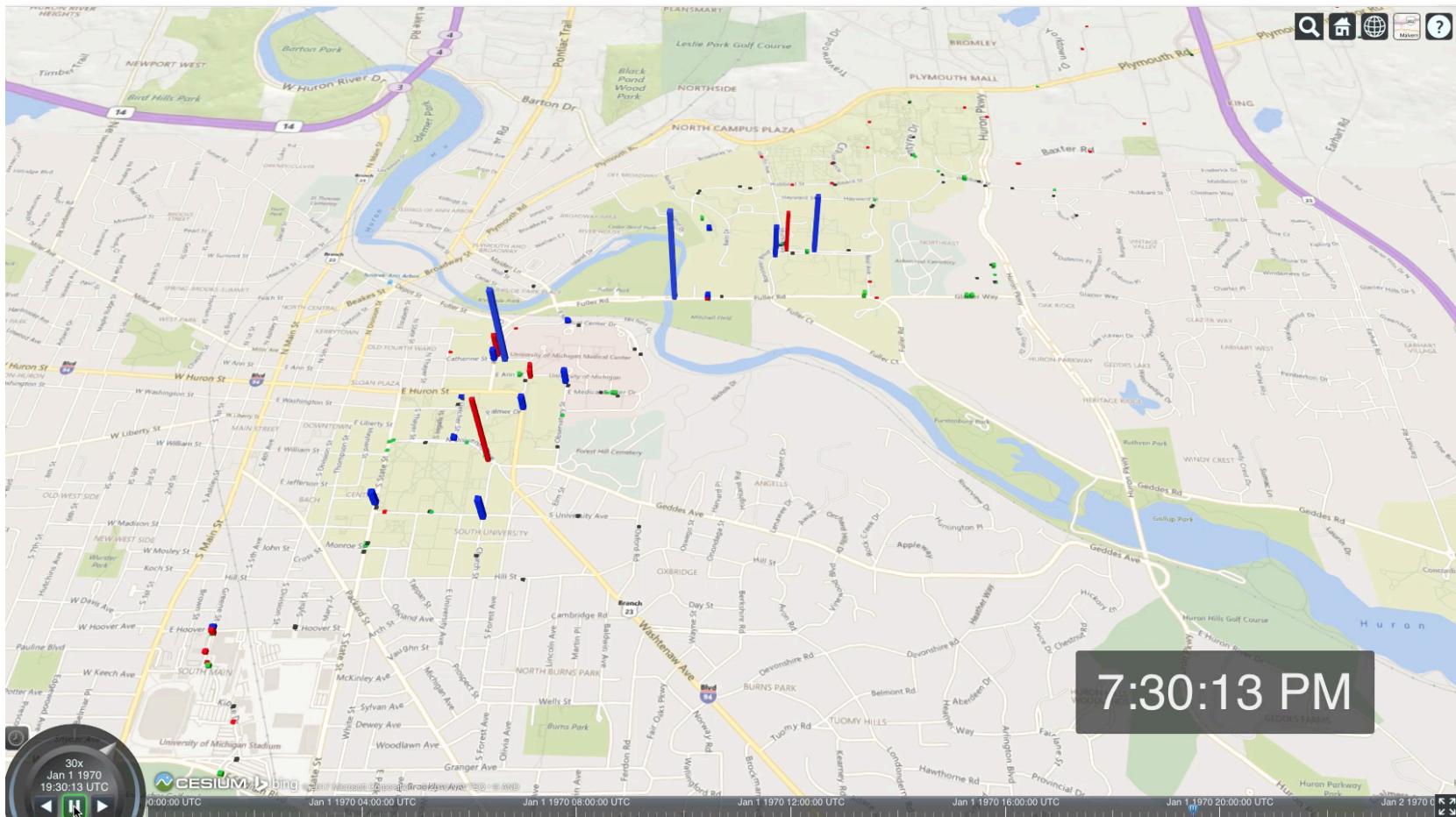
Existing Bus System



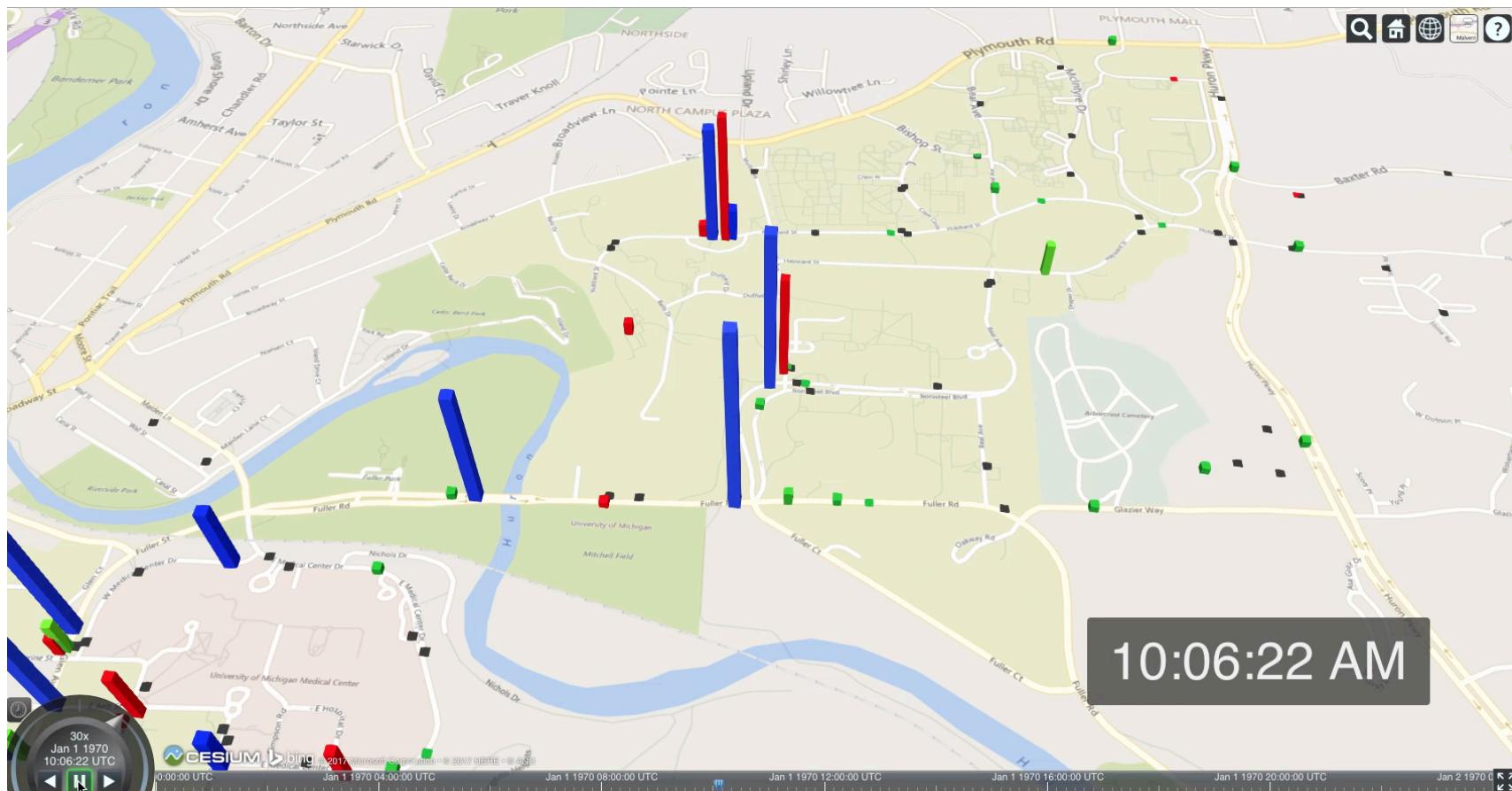
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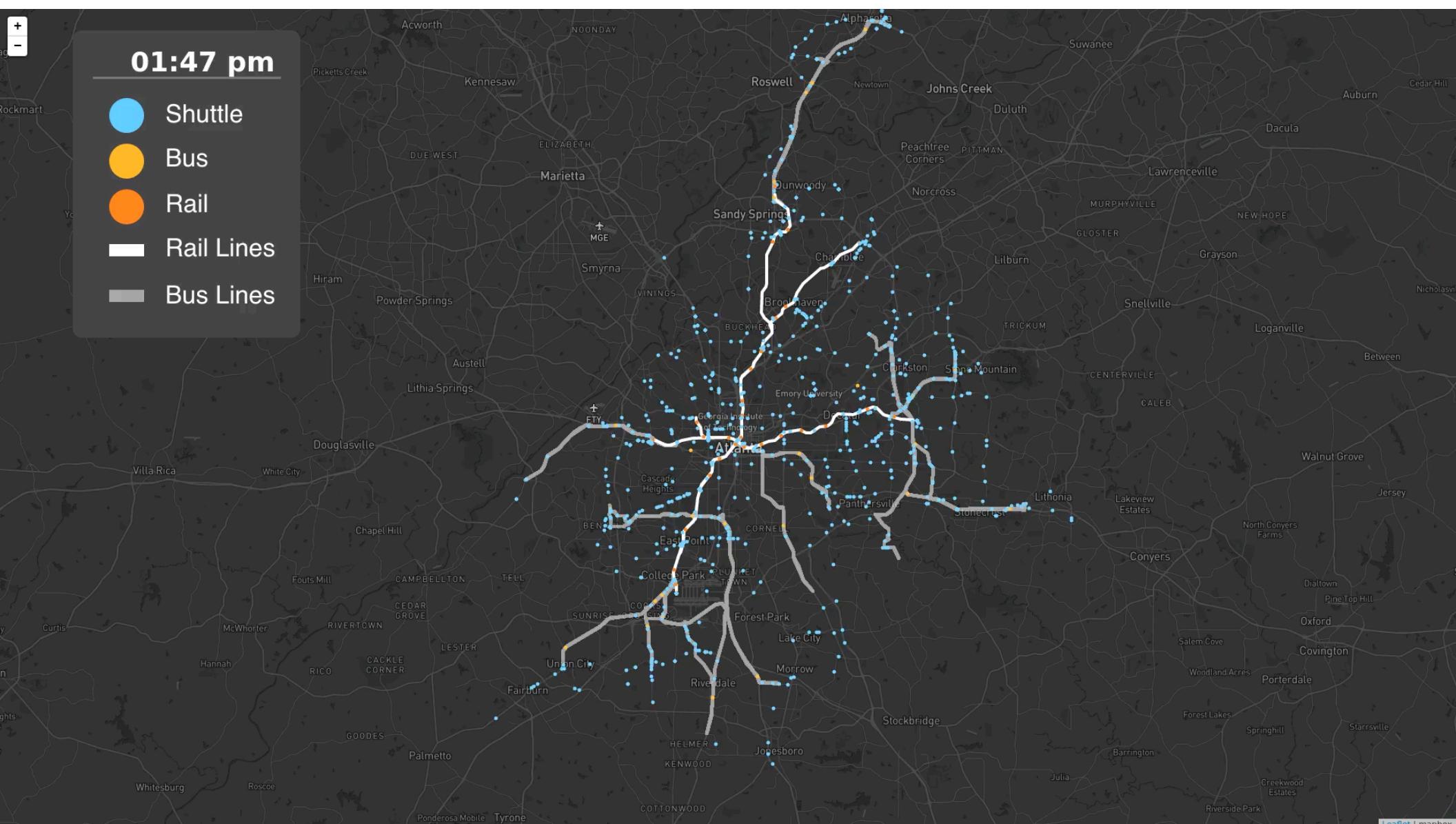


Atlanta



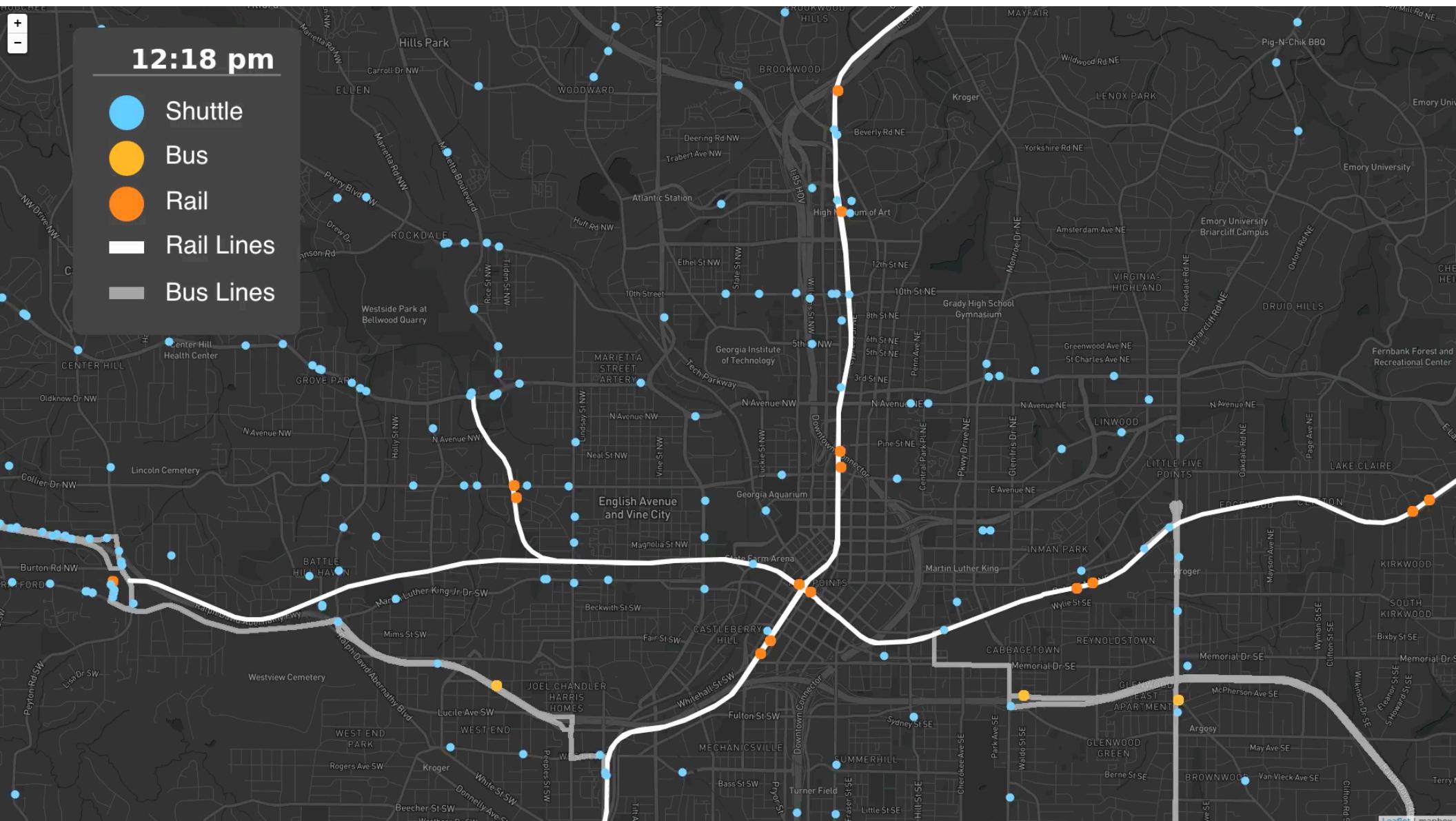
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- Shuttle
- Bus
- Rail
- Rail Lines
- Bus Lines



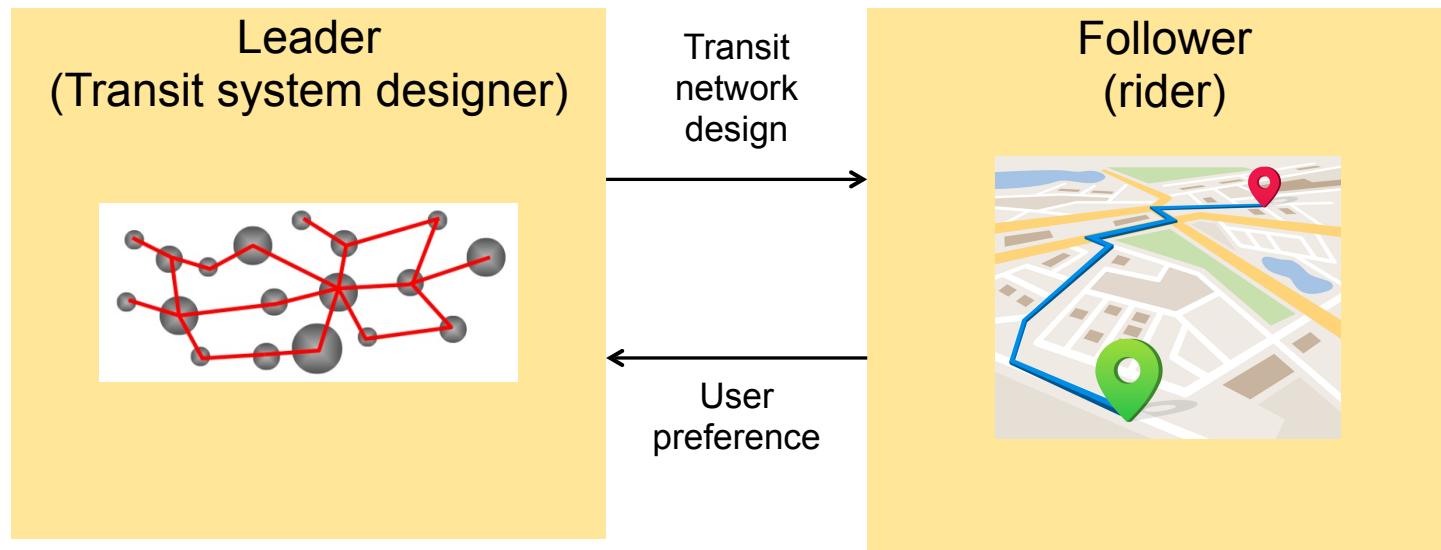
12:18 pm

- Shuttle
- Bus
- Rail
- Rail Lines
- Bus Lines



Capturing Rider Mode Choice

- ▶ Key worry of transit agencies
 - what if adoption increases?
 - are we designing the network properly?
 - are we sizing the fleet correctly?



Computational Challenges

- ▶ Relax the optimization program

$$\min_x f(x, y) \text{ subject to } c(x, y) \wedge \mathcal{M}(x) = y$$

- ▶ Check for inconsistencies

$$\mathcal{M}(\bar{x}) \neq \bar{y}$$

- ▶ Add combinatorial Benders cuts

$$x = \bar{x} \Rightarrow y = \bar{y}$$

- ▶ Strengthen the cuts using domain knowledge

$$x|_P = \bar{x}|_P \Rightarrow y = \bar{y}$$

Capturing Mode Choice

- ▶ Trip inconvenience
 - function of travel time, waiting time, transfers

$$f^r(\mathbf{x}^r, \mathbf{y}^r) = \sum_{h,l \in H} (t_{hl} + S)x_{hl}^r + \sum_{i,j \in N} t_{ij}y_{ij}^r.$$

- ▶ Mode choice
 - choosing between personal vehicle or transit
 - thresholding operator

$$\mathcal{C}^r(\mathbf{x}^r, \mathbf{y}^r) \equiv \mathbb{1}(f^r(\mathbf{x}^r, \mathbf{y}^r) \leq \alpha^r t_{cur}^r).$$

Solution Method (4)

- ▶ Strengthening the combinatorial cuts
- ▶ Intuition:
 - if I add arcs to the network, the transit time decreases and the rider keeps adopting transit

$$\sum_{(h,l):\bar{z}_{hl}=0} z_{hl} + \sum_{(h,l):\bar{z}_{hl}=1} (1 - z_{hl}) + \delta^r \geq 1. \quad \text{.....} \rightarrow \quad \sum_{(h,l):z_{hl}^1=1} (1 - z_{hl}) + \delta^r \geq 1.$$

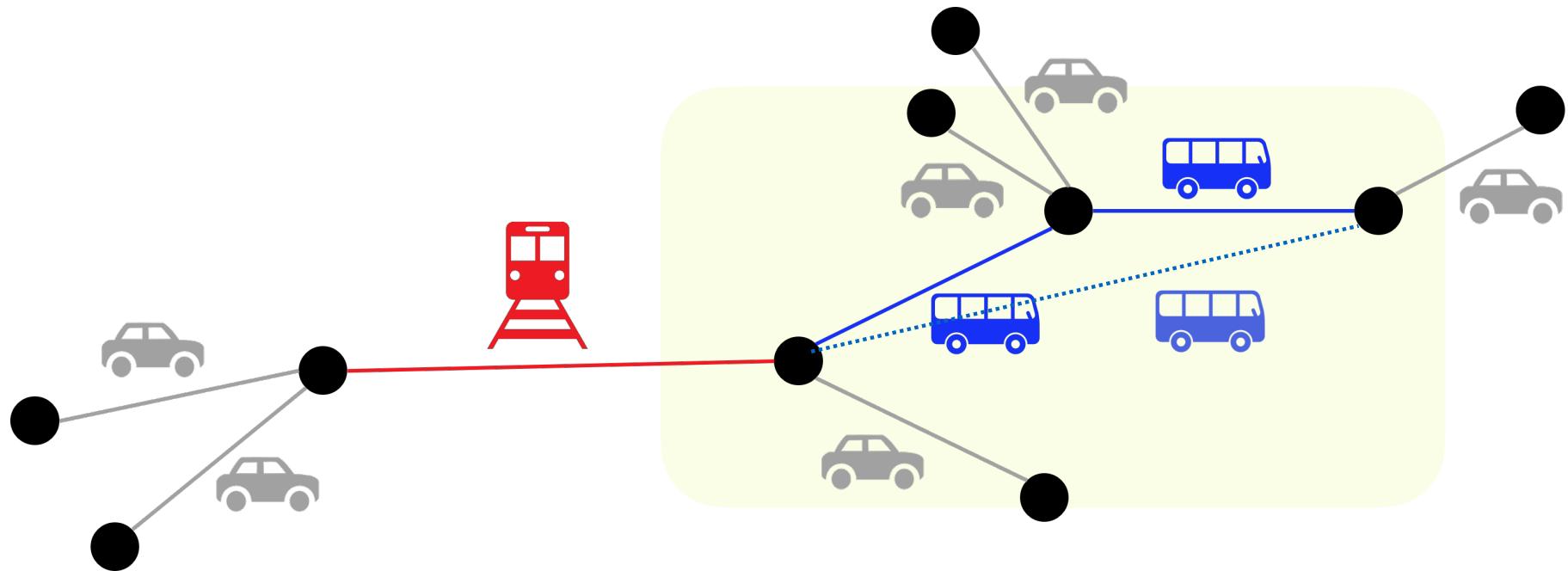
- ▶ Intuition:
 - if I remove arcs from the network, the transit time increases and the rider will keep using her vehicle

$$\sum_{(h,l):\bar{z}_{hl}=0} z_{hl} + \sum_{(h,l):\bar{z}_{hl}=1} (1 - z_{hl}) \geq \delta^r. \quad \text{.....} \rightarrow \quad \sum_{(h,l):z_{hl}^1=0} z_{hl} \geq \delta^r.$$

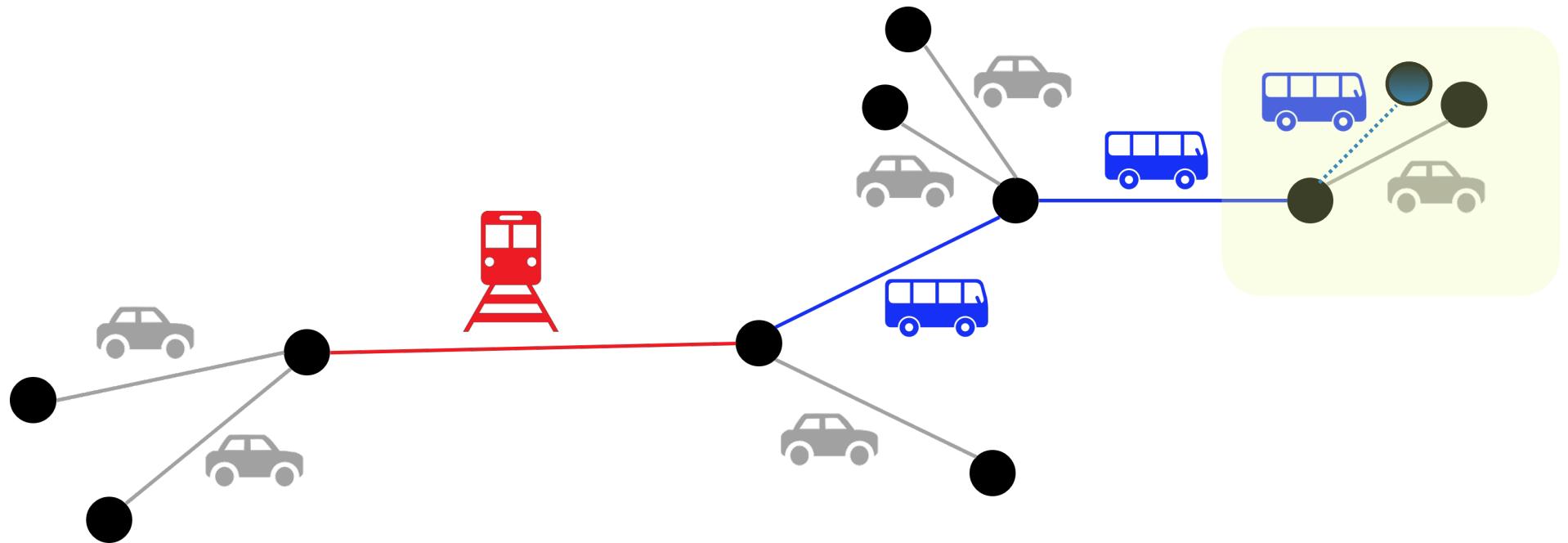
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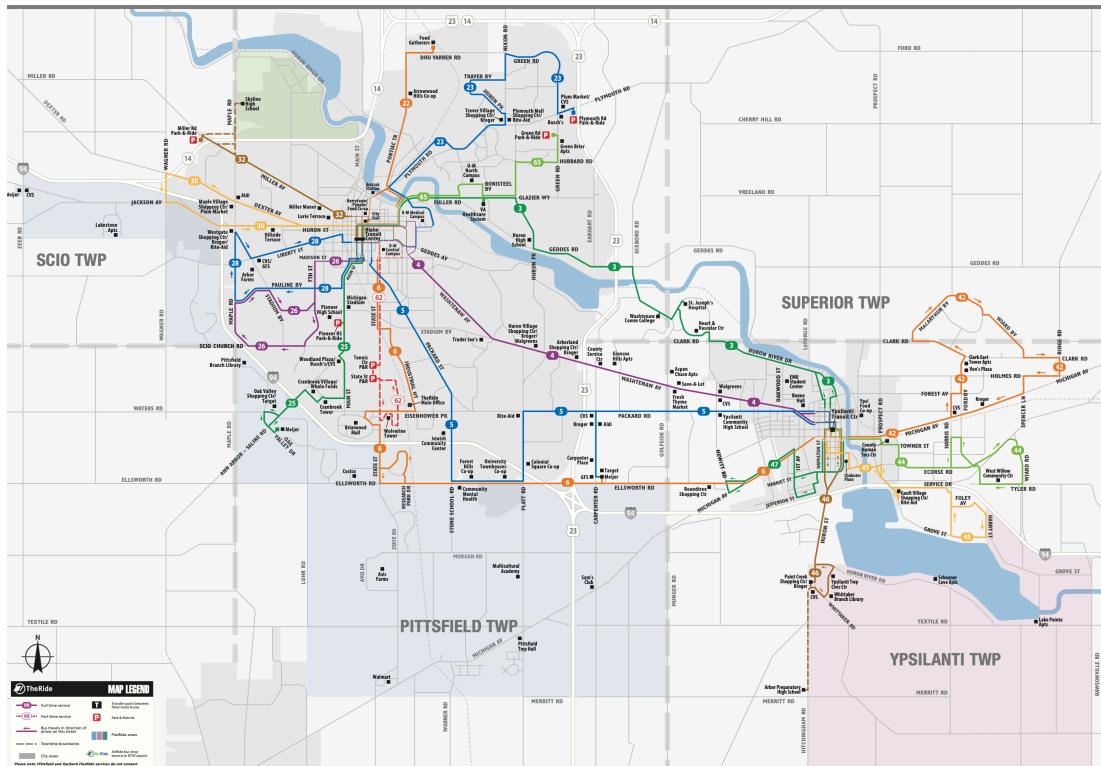


The Wrong Intuition



Experimental Settings

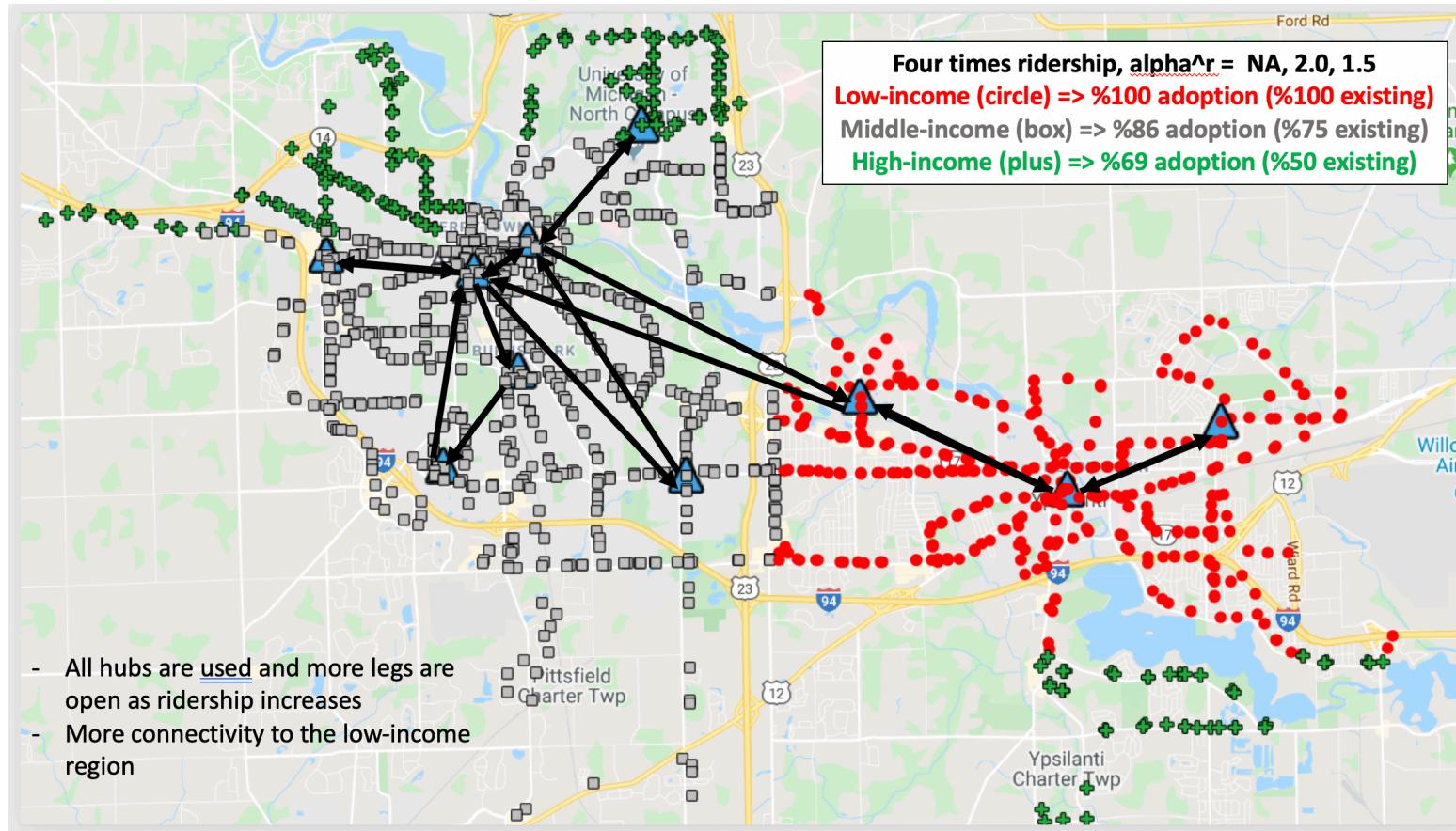
► Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti Transit System



Experimental Settings

- ▶ Ridership
 - 1,754 low-income, 3,316 middle-income, and 722 high-income riders
 - 100%, 75%, and 50% are existing users
- ▶ Mode choice
 - α^r is set to 1.5 and 2.0 for high- and middle-income riders
- ▶ Transit system
 - 1,267 bus stops, 6pm-10pm period,
 - average waiting time is 7 minutes
- ▶ Prices per mile
 - \$5.44 for buses and \$1.61 for shuttles
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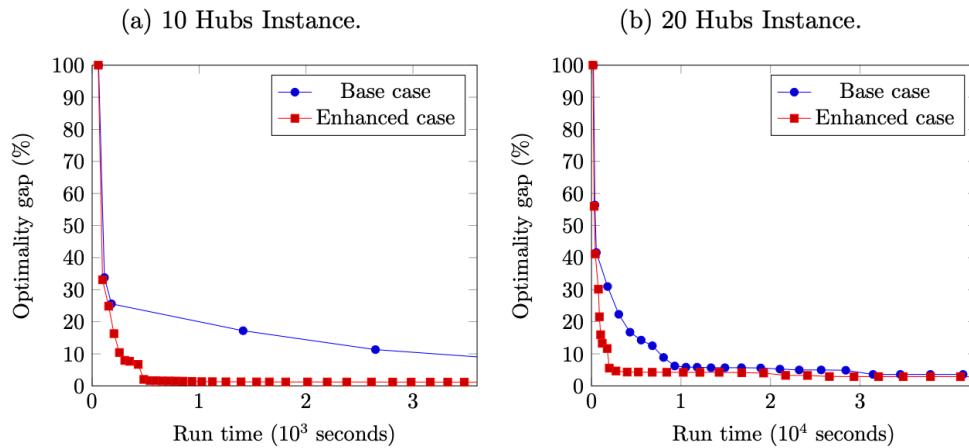
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Cost and Computational Performance

	Adoption			Revenue & Costs			
	MI (%)	HI (%)	# of riders	Revenue	Inv Cost	Trv Cost	NC/rider
10Hub	89	70	5792 (5402)	13505.00	2440.80	13553.31	0.46
10HubISC	85	69	5792 (5326)	13315.00	3564.59	17516.07	1.46
10HubDR	86	69	11584 (10700)	26750.00	4073.14	23847.84	0.11
10HubDRAC	86	69	11584 (10620)	26550.00	4073.14	23642.55	0.11
20HubDR	85	68	11584 (10608)	26520.00	4959.34	20285.19	-0.12

Table 6 Adoption, Cost and Revenue Comparison under Different ODMTS Settings.



Accessibility

Income	Riders adopting ODMTS			Existing riders			Riders not adopting ODMTS		
	ODMTS	direct	AAATA	ODMTS	direct	AAATA	ODMTS	direct	AAATA
low	32.40	11.99	51.50	13.01	5.65	19.07	49.24	10.05	50.46
medium	3.71	3.17	13.69	12.06	5.03	21.53	24.71	7.30	29.31
high	4.53	4.53	14.39	10.09	5.31	21.06	20.85	8.38	30.17

Table 4 Trip Duration Analysis under 10 Hubs Design with Doubled Ridership and Rider Choices for LILT trips.

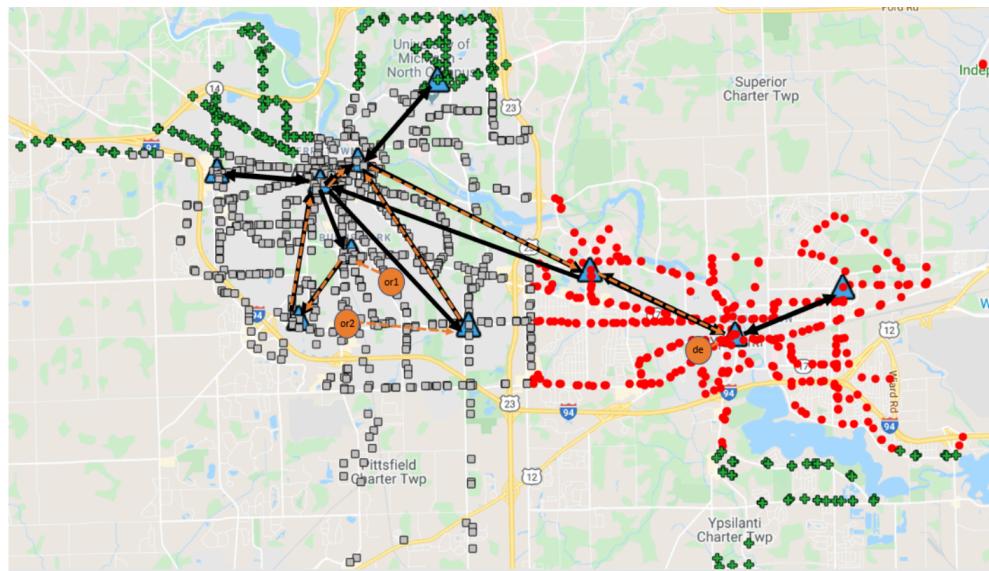
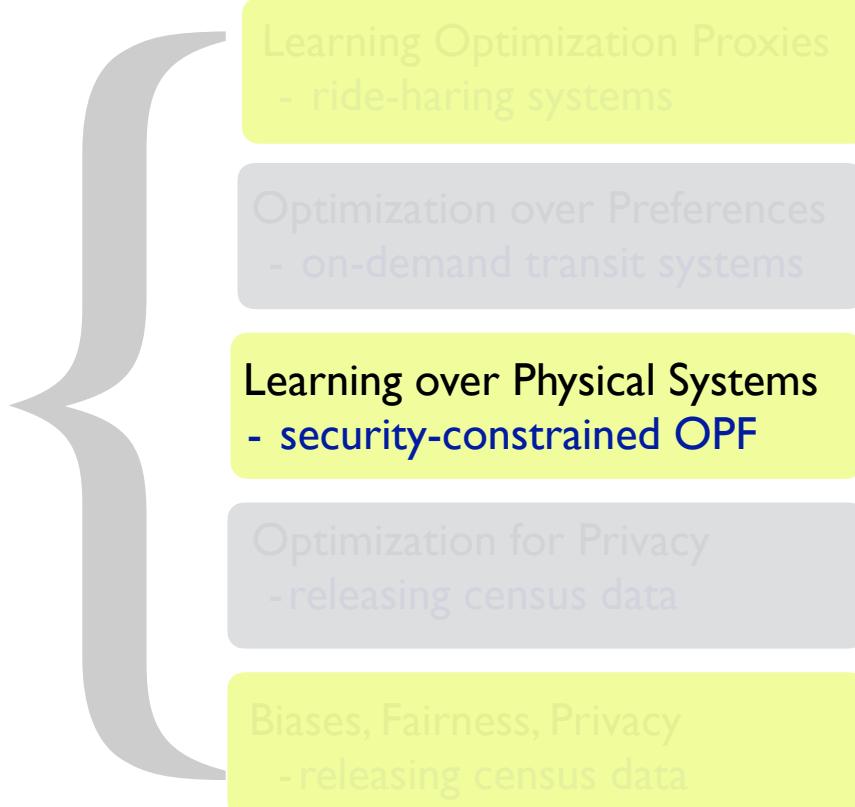


Figure 5 Visualization of Sample LILT Trips Not Adopting ODMTS.

Adoption

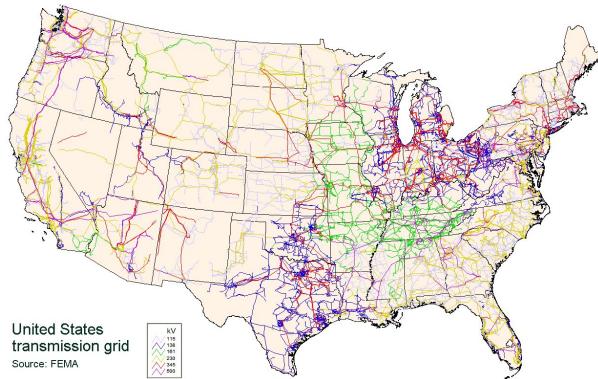
- low income: 96%
- middle income: 89%
- high income: 70%

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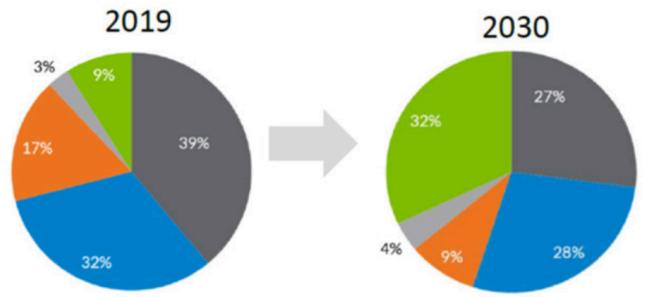
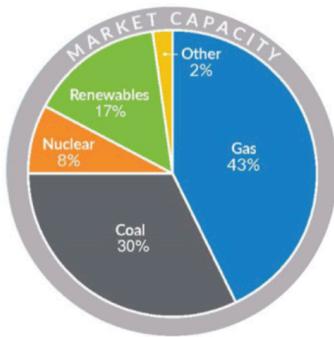
Power Systems

- ▶ Largest machine on earth
 - 400 billions of electricity in the US alone



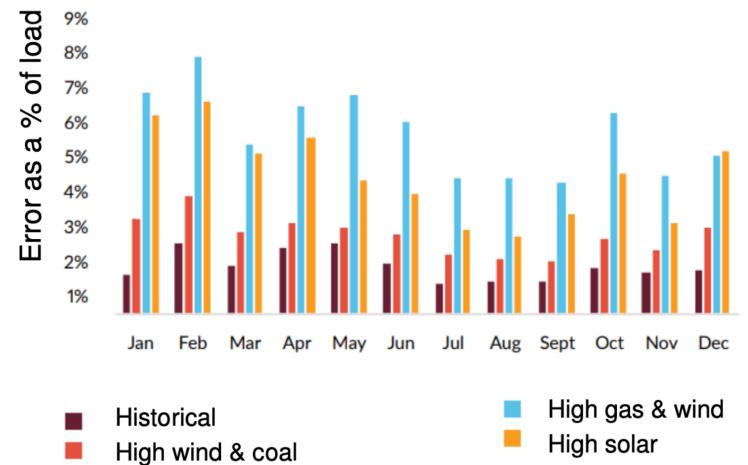
- ▶ Huge success story for optimization
 - LP, LR, MIP, Stochastic optimization, NLP, ...
- ▶ Huge success story for machine learning
 - forecasting

The times, they are changing



Machine Learning for Power Systems

- ▶ The new reality
 - optimization under increasing stochasticity in front and behind the meter
- ▶ Opportunity for machine learning
 - networks evolve slowly
 - repeatedly solving similar problems
- ▶ Applications
 - market-clearing algorithms
- ▶ Challenge for machine learning
 - physical and engineering constraints
 - empirical risk minimization under constraints



Optimal Power Flow

minimize: $\sum_{i \in N} c_{2i} (\Re(S_i^g))^2 + c_{1i} \Re(S_i^g) + c_{0i}$

$$S_i^g - S_i^d = \sum_{(i,j) \in E \cup E^R} S_{ij} \quad \forall i \in N$$

Physics

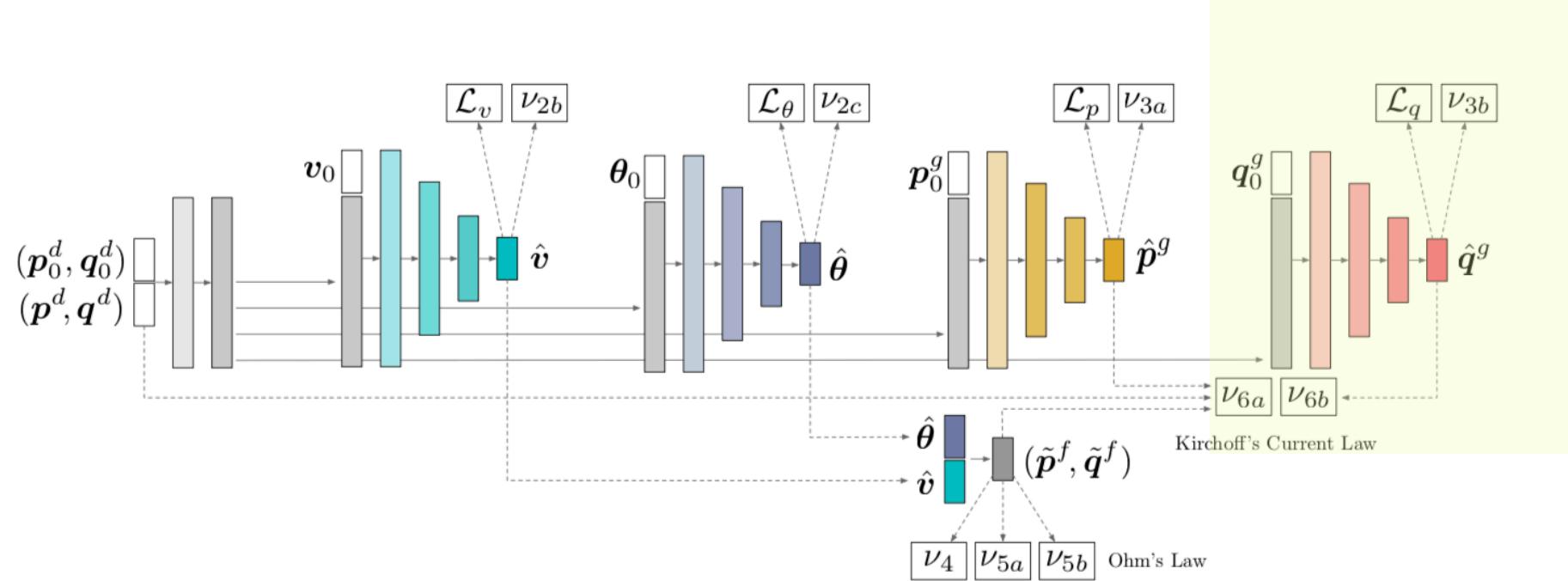
$$S_{ij} = \mathbf{Y}_{ij}^* V_i V_i^* - \mathbf{Y}_{ij}^* V_i V_j^* \quad (i, j) \in E \cup E^R$$

$$|S_{ij}| \leq s_{ij}^u \quad \forall (i, j) \in E \cup E^R$$

Engineering

$$S_i^{gl} \leq S_i^g \leq S_i^{gu} \quad \forall i \in N \quad v_i^l \leq |V_i| \leq v_i^u \quad \forall i \in N$$

Constrained Deep Learning



Constrained Deep Learning

- ▶ How to find the optimal prediction?
 - Lagrangian duality
- ▶ Primal step
 - empirical loss minimization for given constraint weights
- ▶ Dual step
 - to update the constraint weights

$$\boldsymbol{w}^{k+1} = \underset{\boldsymbol{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{L}[\boldsymbol{\lambda}^k](\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}, \hat{\mathcal{O}}[\boldsymbol{w}^k](\boldsymbol{x}))$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{k+1} = \left(\lambda_c^k + \rho \nu_c(\boldsymbol{x}, \hat{\mathcal{O}}[\boldsymbol{w}^{k+1}](\boldsymbol{x})) \mid c \in \mathcal{C} \right)$$

- ▶ Restoring feasibility
 - loaf flow

Experimental Results

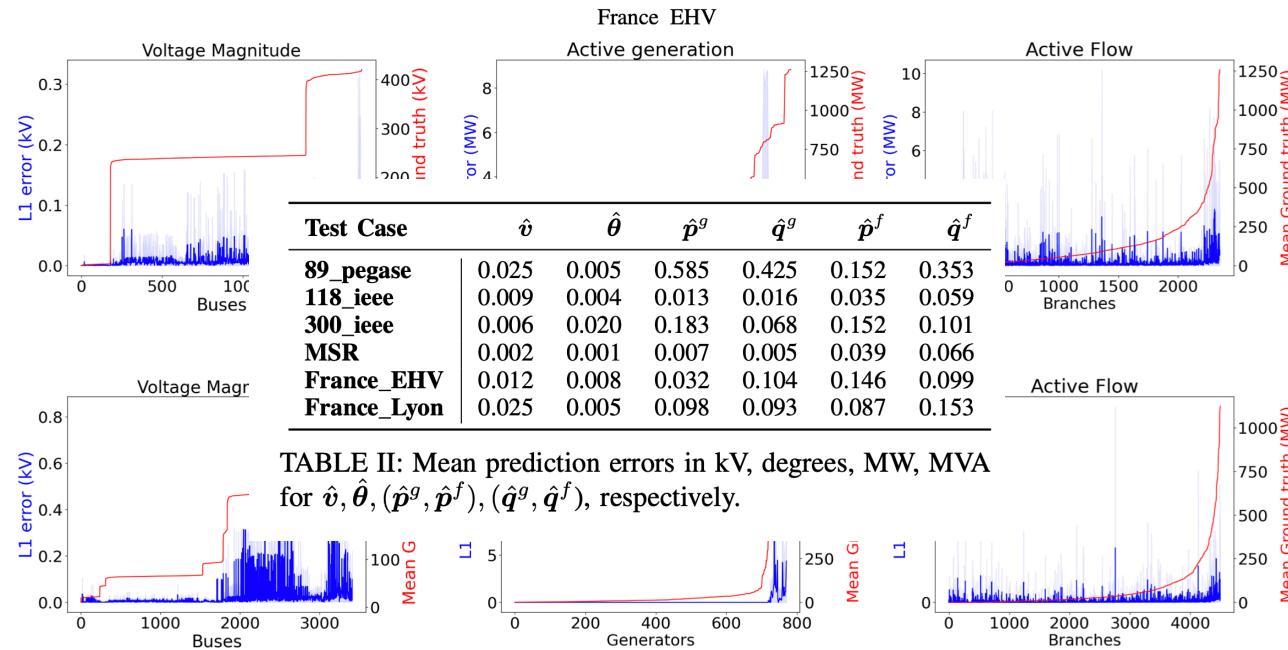


Fig. 3: Prediction Errors over Buses, Generators, and Branches. The Ground Truth and Error Graphs are in Different Scales.

Experimental Results

Test Case	\hat{v}	$\hat{\theta}$	\hat{p}^g	\hat{q}^g	\hat{p}^f	\hat{q}^f
89_pegase	0.025	0.005	0.585	0.425	0.152	0.353
118_ieee	0.009	0.004	0.013	0.016	0.035	0.059
300_ieee	0.006	0.020	0.183	0.068	0.152	0.101
MSR	0.002	0.001	0.007	0.005	0.039	0.066
France_EHV	0.012	0.008	0.032	0.104	0.146	0.099
France_Lyon	0.025	0.005	0.098	0.093	0.087	0.153

TABLE II: Mean prediction errors in kV, degrees, MW, MVA for $\hat{v}, \hat{\theta}, (\hat{p}^g, \hat{p}^f), (\hat{q}^g, \hat{q}^f)$, respectively.

Test Case	Train time (min)	Predict time (sec)	Train Mem. (GB)	AC-OPF (sec)
89_pegase	48	0.0013	1.1	0.2
118_ieee	51	0.0013	1.1	0.2
300_ieee	54	0.0014	1.2	1.9
MSR	59	0.0016	1.5	2.2
France_EHV	142	0.0016	4.6	4.2
France_Lyon	444	0.0020	13.9	47.9

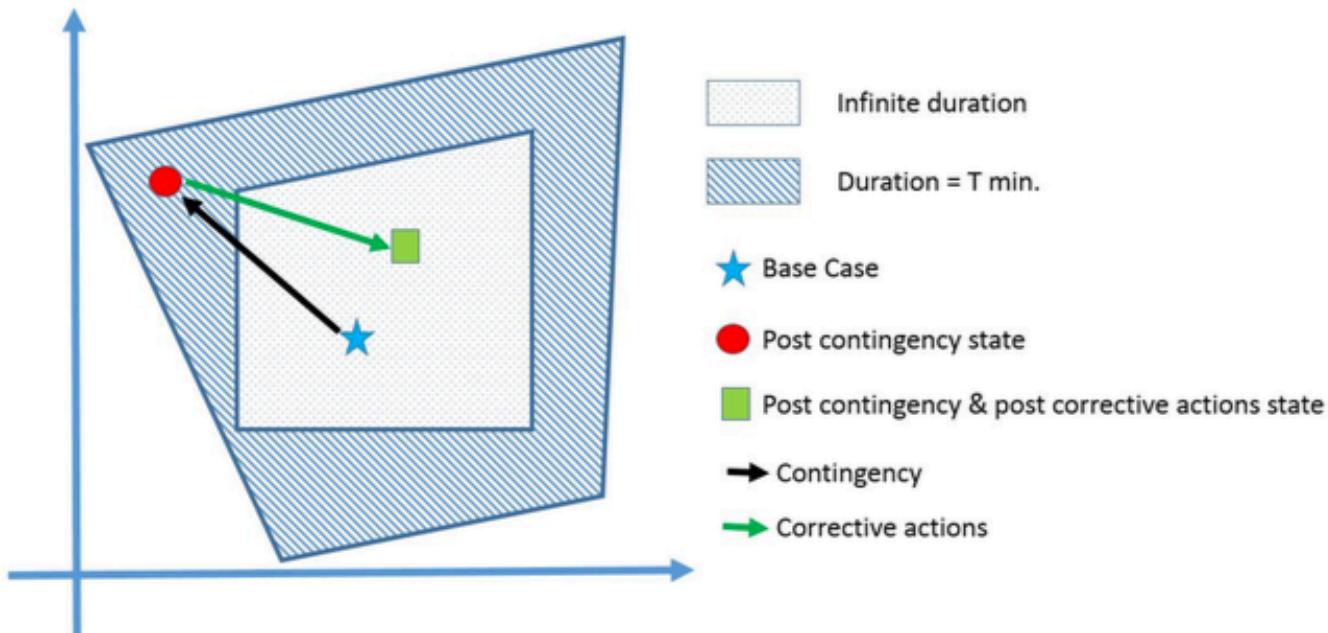
TABLE VI: Training and inference computational costs.

Test Case	(2a)	(3a)	(3b)	(4)	(6a)	(6b)
89_pegase	<0.01	4.52	0.45	1.39	0.25	1.01
118_ieee	<0.01	1.83	0.18	-	0.04	0.10
300_ieee	<0.01	0.43	0.20	0.21	0.16	0.17
MSR	<0.01	0.62	0.12	-	0.09	0.15
France_EHV	0.01	2.94	0.79	-	0.24	0.14
France_Lyon	<0.01	1.30	0.50	-	0.16	0.16

TABLE IV: Mean violation for violated AC-OPF constraints. The violation is expressed in kV, MW and MVA for constraints 2a, (3a, 6a) and (3b, 4, 6b), respectively.

Security-Constrained OPF

- ▶ Handling contingencies
 - e.g., the loss of a generator



Security-Constrained OPF



- ▶ Assumptions
 - N-1 contingencies for generator
- ▶ Modeling framework
 - optimize a dispatch
 - pre-contingency state
 - that ensures feasibility after the contingency
 - post-contingency state
- ▶ Variables
 - $P_{i,0}^g$: pre-contingency generation at bus i
 - $P_{i,1}^g$: post-contingency generation at bus i for contingency s.

Security-Constrained OPF



$$\max \quad \sum_{i \in G} c_{2,i} (p_{i,0}^g)^2 + c_{1,i} p_{i,0}^g$$

$$s.t. \quad PF(\langle p_{i,0}^g \rangle, \langle q_{i,0}^g \rangle)$$

$$\forall s \in G$$

$$PF(\langle p_{i,1}^{g,s} \rangle, \langle q_{i,1}^{g,s} \rangle)$$

$$p_{s,1}^{g,s} = 0$$

$$q_{s,1}^{g,s} = 0$$

Security-Constrained OPF



it's Not that
Simple



Security-Constrained OPF



- ▶ Power systems involve control systems
 - closed loops
- ▶ We do not have full flexibility on the dispatch
 - the control systems will react
- ▶ How to capture them?
 - without modeling the dynamics

Security-Constrained OPF

Power plant outage



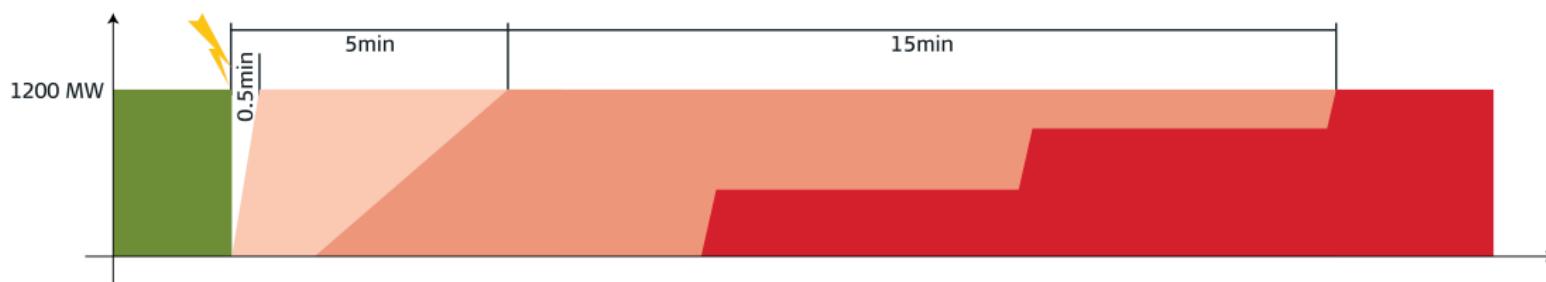
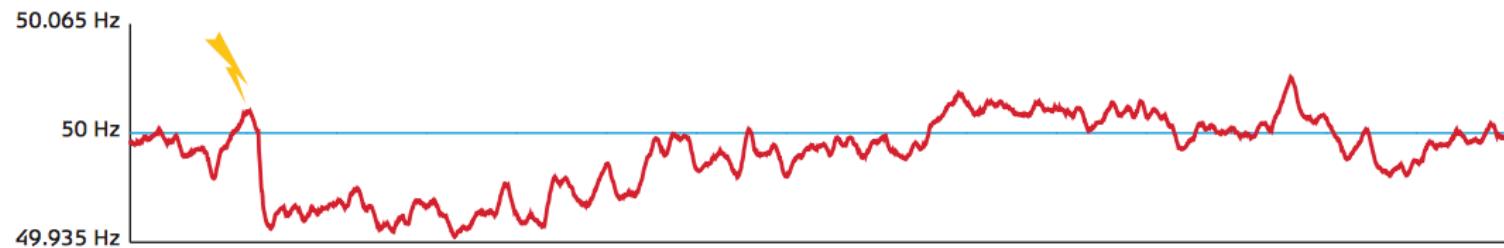
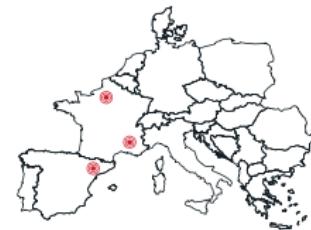
Primary control



Secondary control



Tertiary control



Security-Constrained OPF

- ▶ Generation in post-contingency

$$p_{i,1}^{g,s} = p_{i,0}^g + \Delta_i^s$$

- ▶ Reserve constraints

$$\Delta_i^s \in [0, P_{i,r}^{\max}]$$

participation factor in MW
(from droop or AGC)

- ▶ Proportional Response

$$\Delta_i^s = N^s \ pf_i$$

$$N^s \in [0, 1]$$

proportional
response

Security-Constrained OPF



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Security-Constrained OPF

- ▶ Capturing the limits

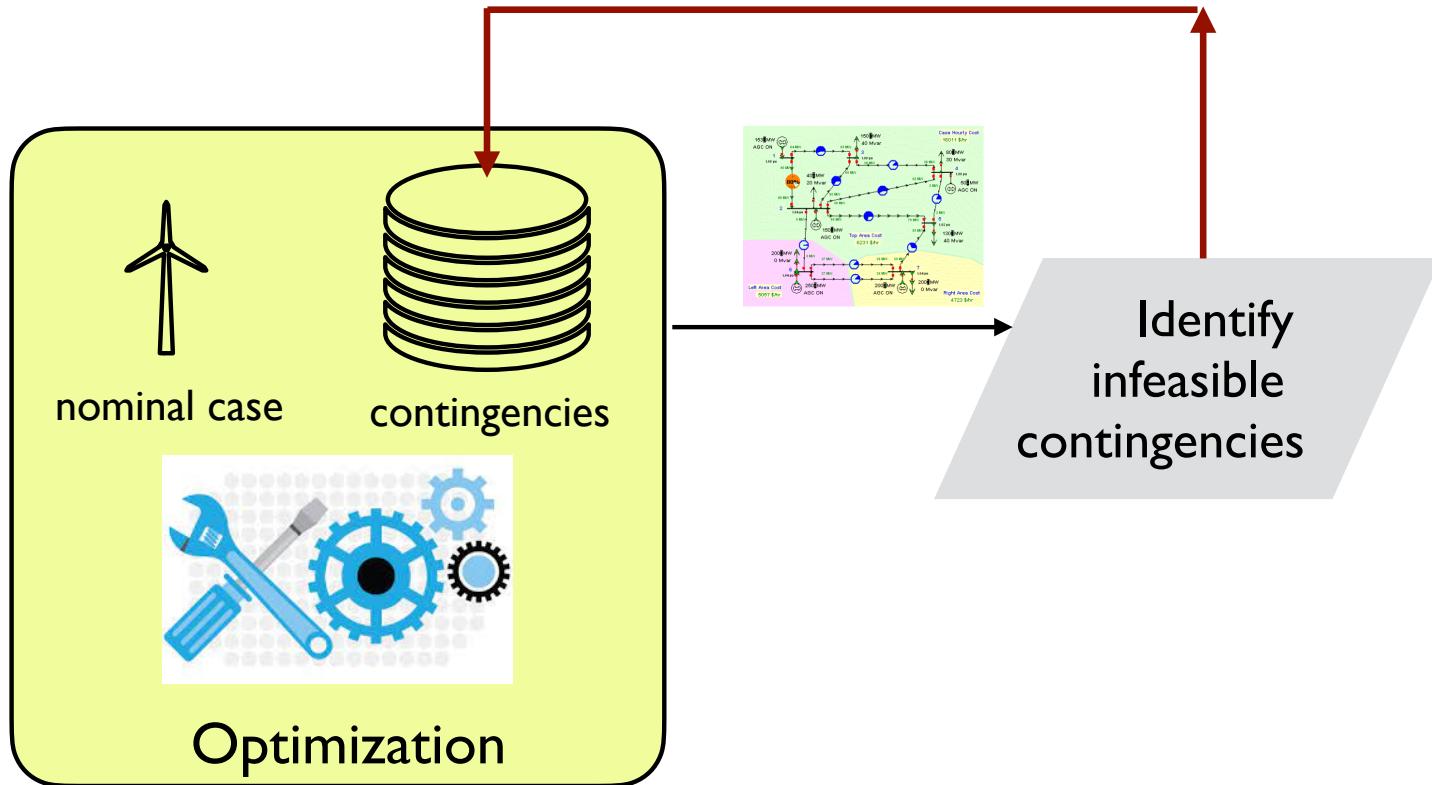
$$\Delta_i^s = \min(N^s \ pf_i, P_{i,r}^{\max})$$

- ▶ Important consequences
 - the proportional response is only applied to generators not at the maximum generation

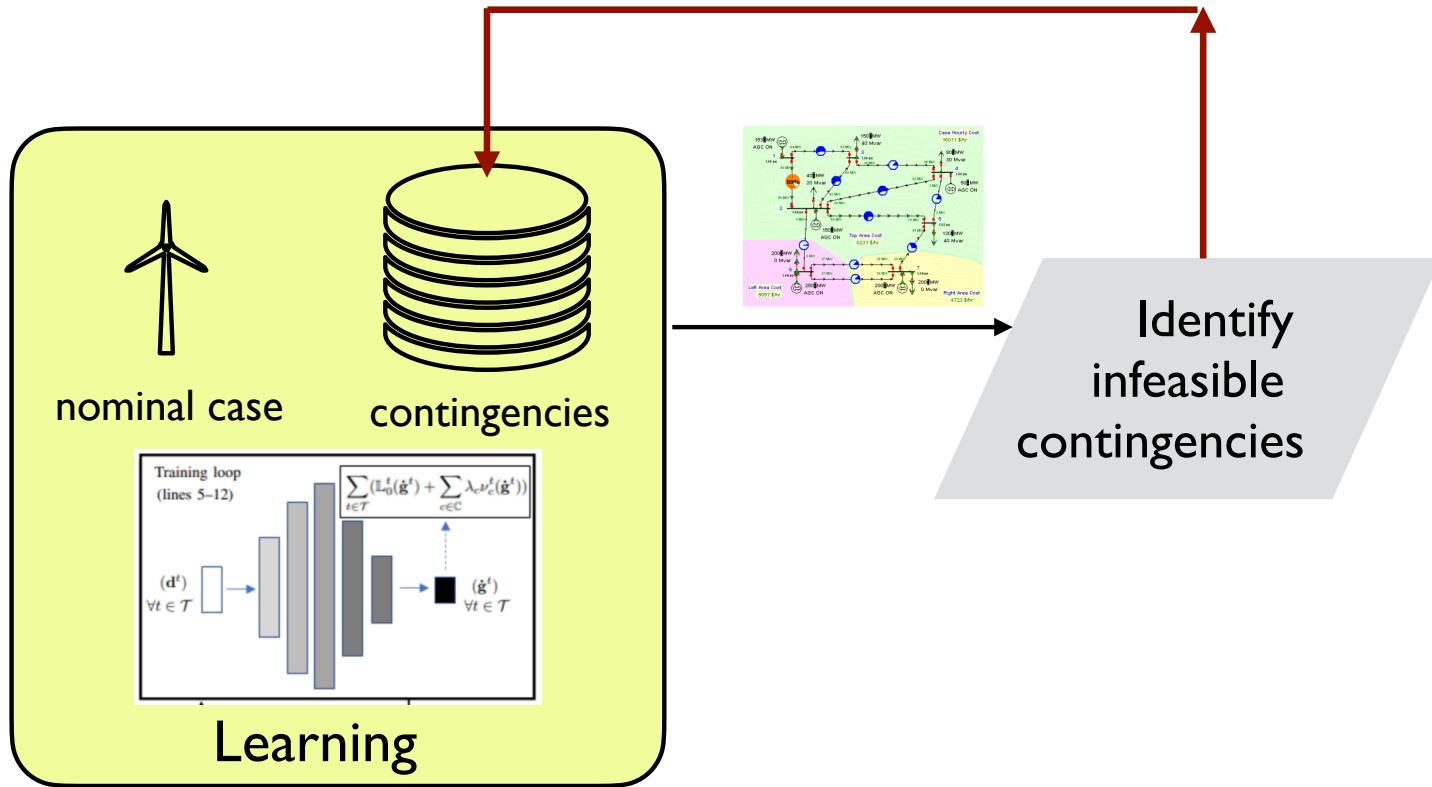
Security-Constrained OPF

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i \in G} c_{2,i} (p_{i,0}^g)^2 + c_{1,i} p_{i,0}^g \\ s.t. \quad & PF(\langle p_{i,0}^g \rangle, \langle q_{i,0}^g \rangle) \\ & \forall s \in G \\ & PF(\langle p_{i,1}^{g,s} \rangle, \langle q_{i,1}^{g,s} \rangle) \\ & p_{s,1}^{g,s} = 0 \\ & q_{s,1}^{g,s} = 0 \\ & p_{i,1}^{g,s} = p_{i,0}^g + \Delta_i^s \quad (i \in G \setminus \{s\}) \\ & N^s pf_i \leq P_{i,r}^{\max} \Rightarrow \Delta_i^s = N^s pf_i \quad \text{else} \quad \Delta_i^s = P_{i,r}^{\max} \quad (i \in G \setminus \{s\}) \\ & \Delta_i^s \in [0, P_{i,r}^{\max}] \quad (i \in G \setminus \{s\}) \\ & N^s \in [0, 1] \quad (i \in G \setminus \{s\}) \end{aligned}$$

Column and Constraint Generation



Column and Constraint Generation



Constraint and Column Generation Learning

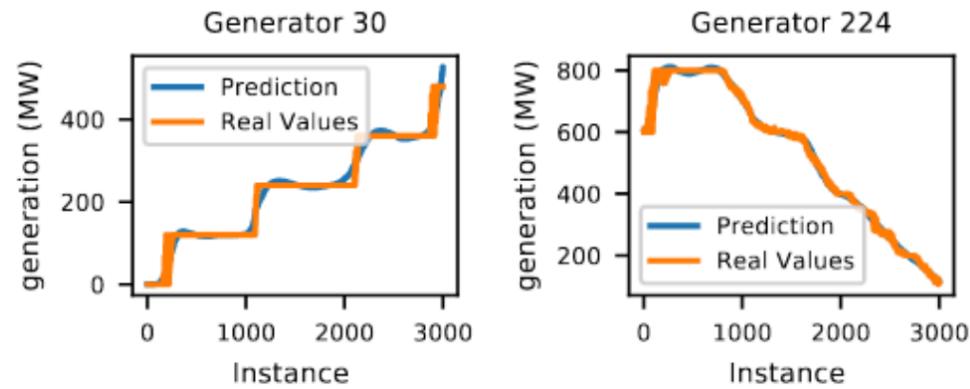


Fig. 3. Prediction of \mathcal{M}_{ccga} for selected generators of the 1354-PEG System.

Constraint and Column Generation Learning

PREDICTION MEAN ABSOLUTE ERRORS (%)

System	Model	Generation Range (MW)						
		10 50	50 100	100 250	250 500	500 1000	1000 2000	2000 5000
118-IEEE	\mathcal{M}_b	2.3	2.8	0.7	0.3	N/A	N/A	N/A
	\mathcal{M}_{ccga}	2.5	3.0	0.7	0.4	N/A	N/A	N/A
1354-PEG	\mathcal{M}_b	2.4	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.1
	\mathcal{M}_{ccga}	5.0	1.8	1.2	1.0	0.4	0.3	0.2
1888-RTE	\mathcal{M}_b	1.3	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.1	N/A
	\mathcal{M}_{ccga}	1.4	1.1	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	N/A

Restoring Feasibility

► Load flow problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{g}, [\mathbf{g}'_s]_{s \in \mathcal{S}}, [\mathbf{x}_s, n_s]_{s \in \mathbb{S}}} \|\dot{\mathbf{g}} - \mathbf{g}\|$$

- find the closest generator set-points that satisfy the constraints

COST INCREASE OVER CCGA (%)

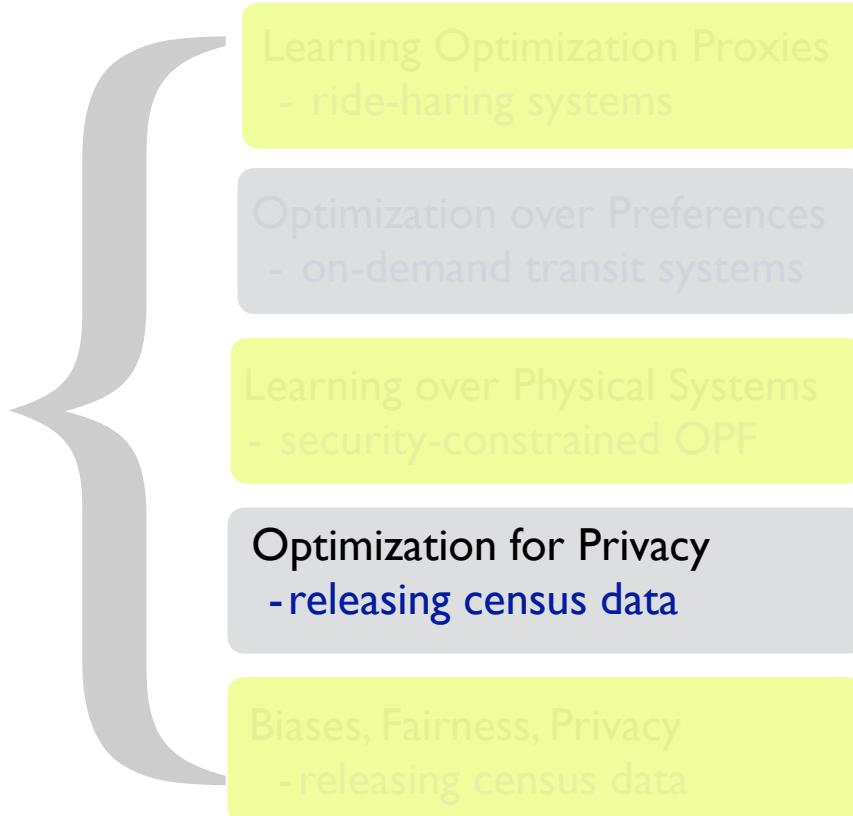
System	Model	Median	Mean	Min.	Max.	Std.
118-IEEE	CCGA-H	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.010	0.002
	FR- \mathcal{M}_b	0.021	0.019	-0.073	0.055	0.014
	FR- \mathcal{M}_{ccga}	0.027	0.030	-0.010	0.112	0.020
1354-PEG	CCGA-H	0.883	0.880	0.849	0.890	0.010
	FR- \mathcal{M}_b	0.020	0.021	-0.007	0.051	0.012
	FR- \mathcal{M}_{ccga}	0.067	0.067	0.032	0.091	0.017
1888-RTE	CCGA-H	0.349	0.340	0.323	0.357	0.013
	FR- \mathcal{M}_b	0.026	0.024	-0.003	0.070	0.011
	FR- \mathcal{M}_{ccga}	0.033	0.033	0.004	0.070	0.013

Constraint and Column Generation Learning

CPU TIME COMPARISON

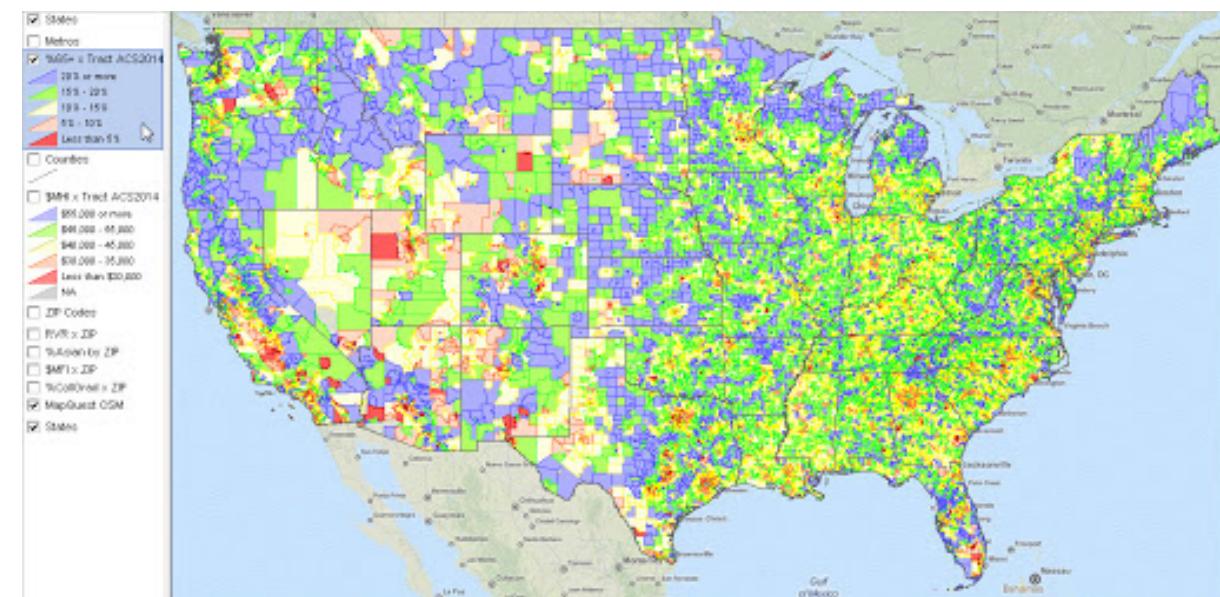
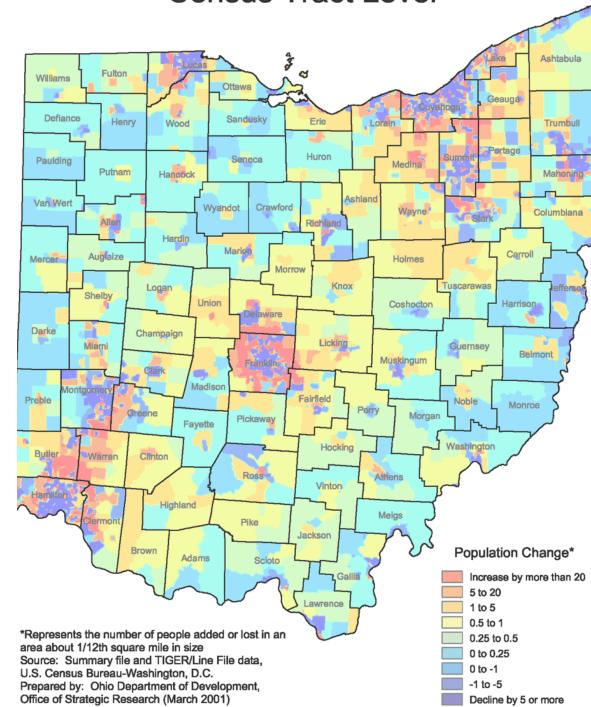
System	Model	Median	Mean	Min.	Max.	Std.
118-IEEE	CCGA	0.21	0.21	0.10	3.72	0.31
	CCGA-H	0.18	0.20	0.14	3.54	0.24
	FR- \mathcal{M}_b	0.02	0.06	0.02	1.58	0.16
	FR- \mathcal{M}_{ccga}	0.03	0.07	0.02	1.37	0.17
1354-PEG	CCGA	321.75	327.21	75.59	741.80	127.10
	CCGA-H	5.26	5.32	4.40	8.65	0.49
	FR- \mathcal{M}_b	5.34	8.43	1.32	133.37	13.51
	FR- \mathcal{M}_{ccga}	1.52	2.17	0.77	8.45	1.74
1888-RTE	CCGA	5.48	7.41	3.11	30.92	7.07
	CCGA-H	3.17	3.15	2.31	13.55	0.91
	FR- \mathcal{M}_b	5.32	5.50	1.22	18.07	3.35
	FR- \mathcal{M}_{ccga}	2.12	1.95	0.91	4.54	0.92

Motivation



Releasing Census Data

Population Change 1990 - 2000
Census Tract Level

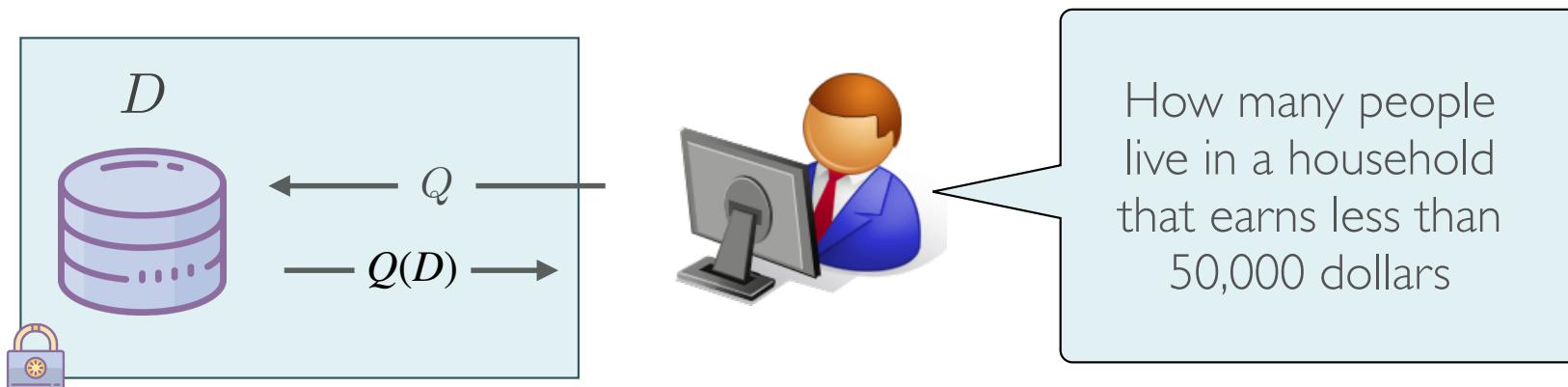


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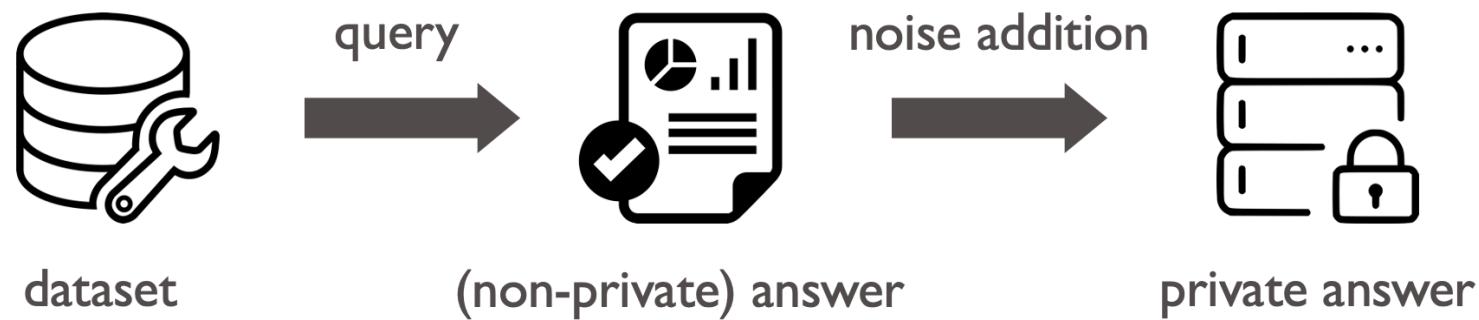


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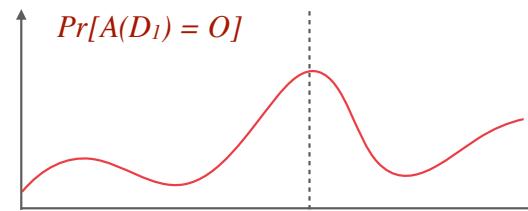
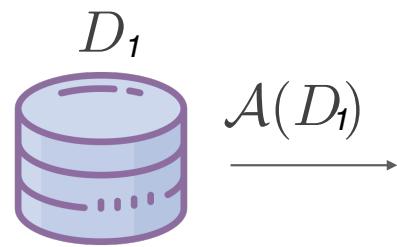
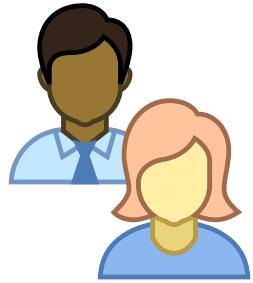


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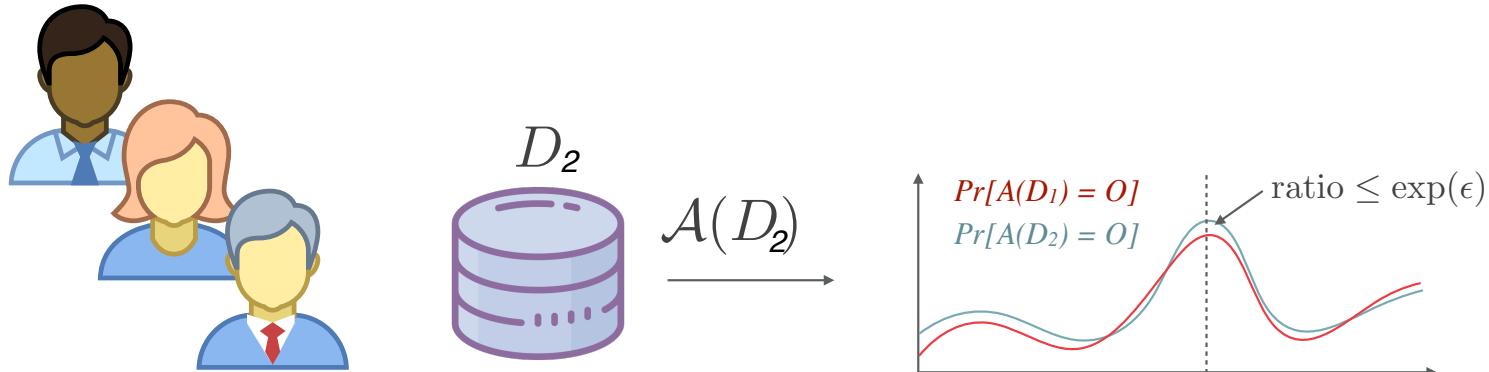
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$$\frac{\Pr[\mathcal{A}(D_1) = O]}{\Pr[\mathcal{A}(D_2) = O]} \leq \exp(\epsilon)$$



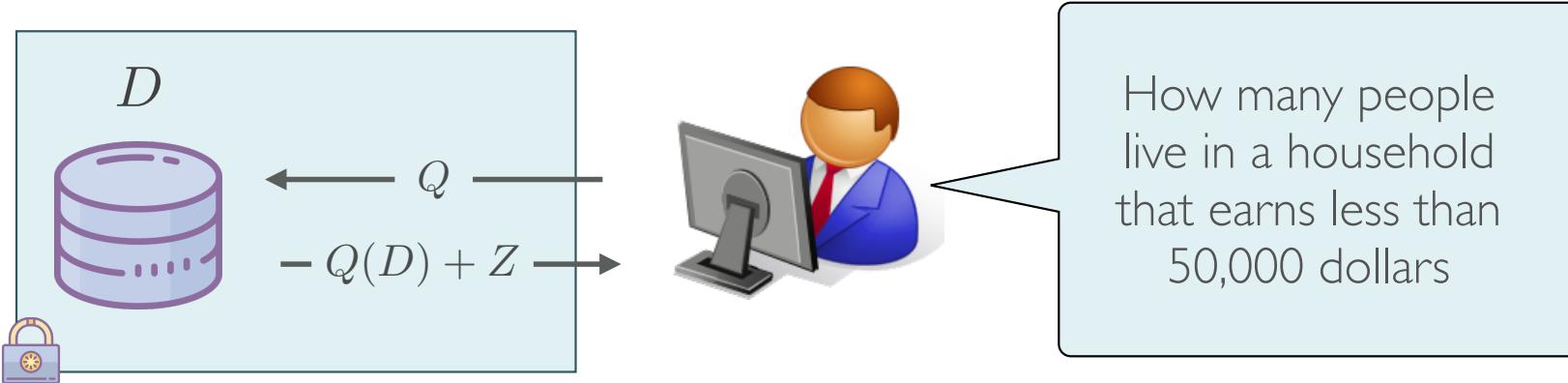
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The risk of a user to join the data set is bounded (by ϵ)

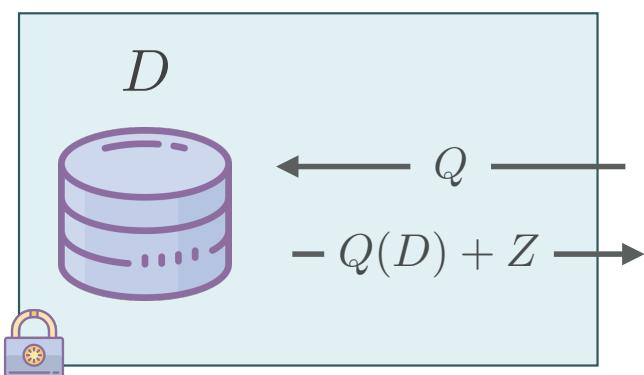
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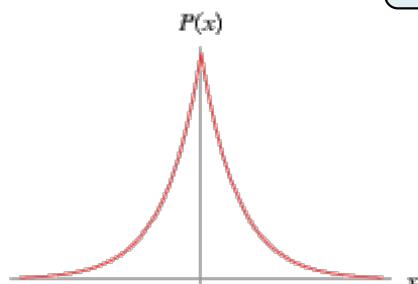
- Query sensitivities

$$\Delta_q = \max_{\mathbf{D}_1 \sim \mathbf{D}_2} \|q(\mathbf{D}_1) - q(\mathbf{D}_2)\|_1$$

Releasing Census Data



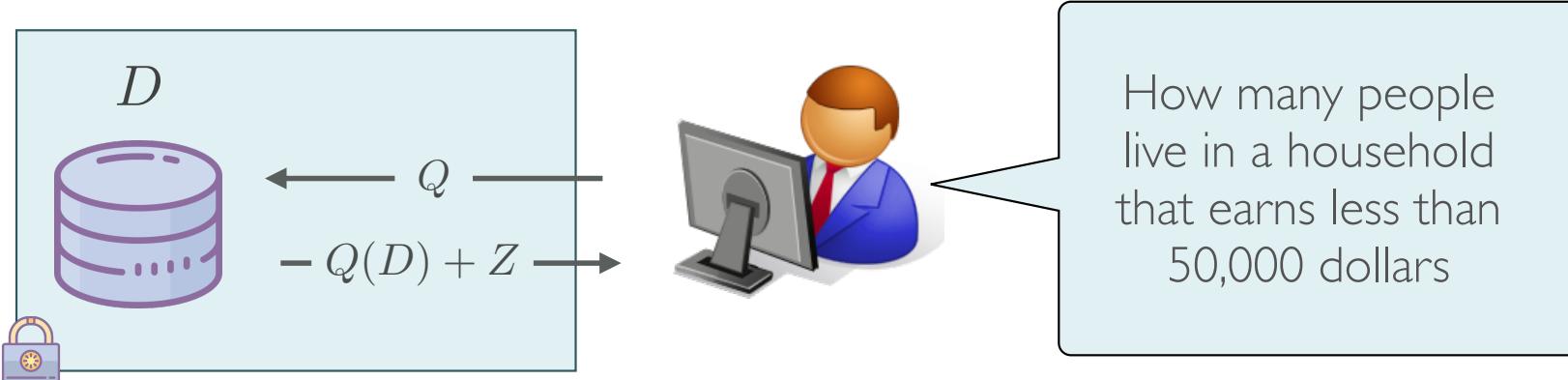
How many people
live in a household
that earns less than
50,000 dollars



$$Z \sim \text{Lap}\left(\frac{\Delta_Q}{\epsilon}\right)$$

PDF $f(x \mid \mu = 0, b) = \frac{1}{2b} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|}{b}\right)$

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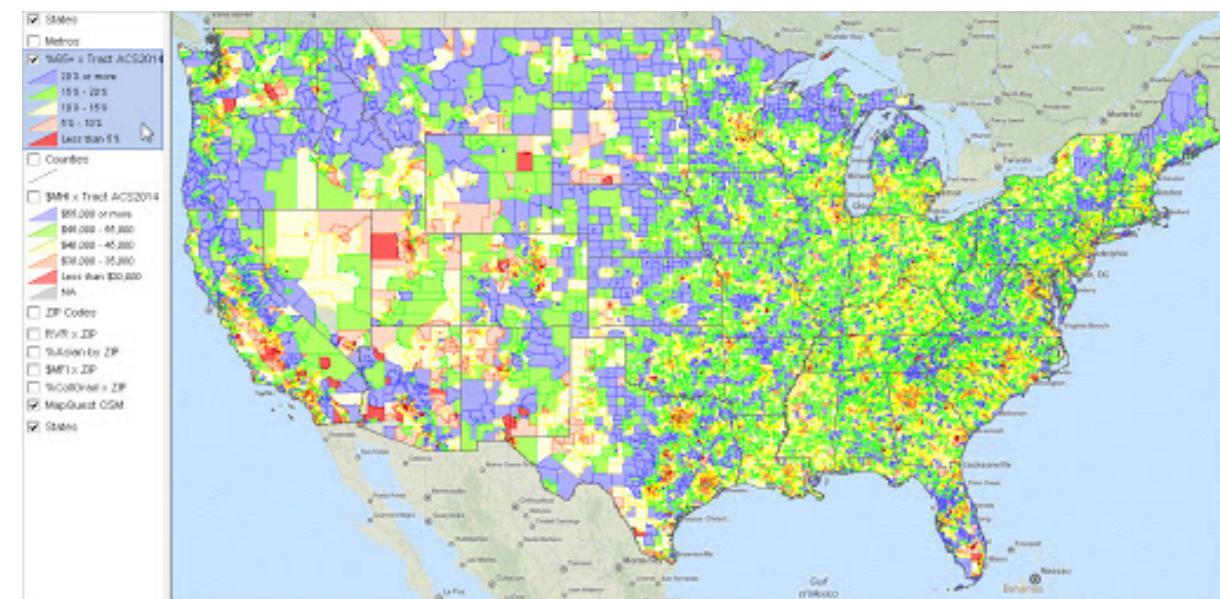
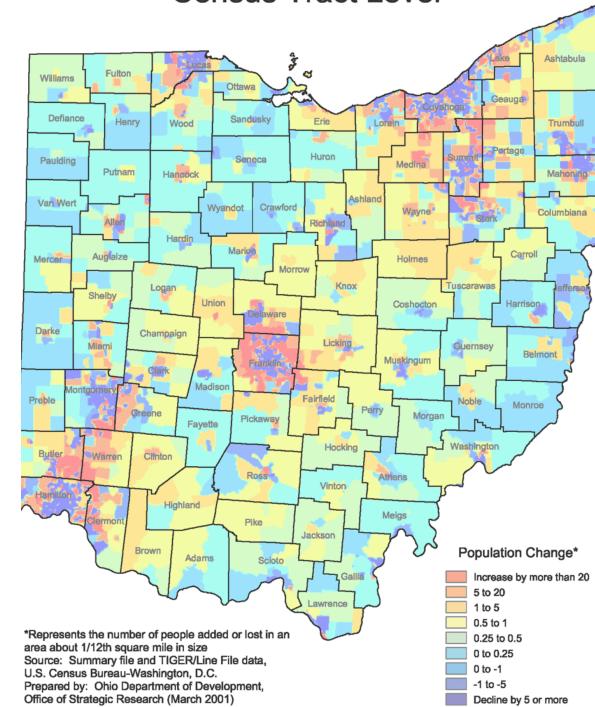


- Geometric mechanism

$$P(X=v) = \frac{1 - e^{-\epsilon}}{1 + e^{-\epsilon}} e^{\left(-\epsilon \frac{|v|}{\Delta_q}\right)}$$

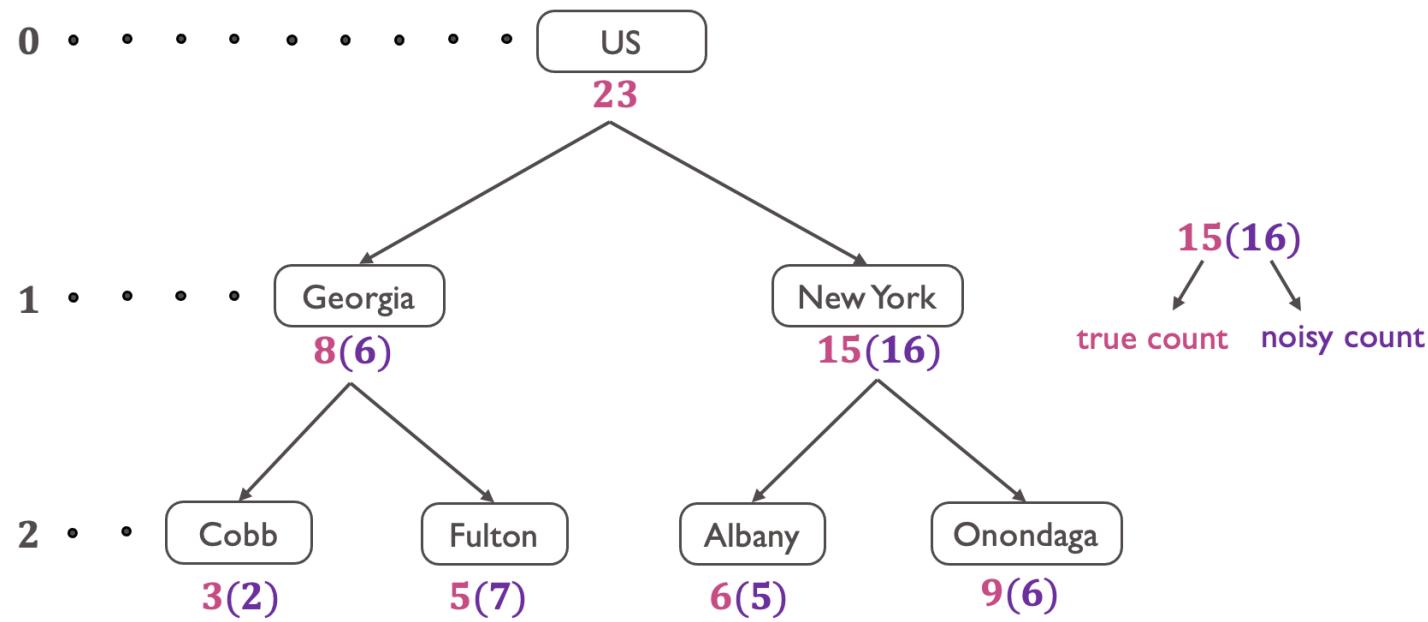
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Hierarchical Release

Levels

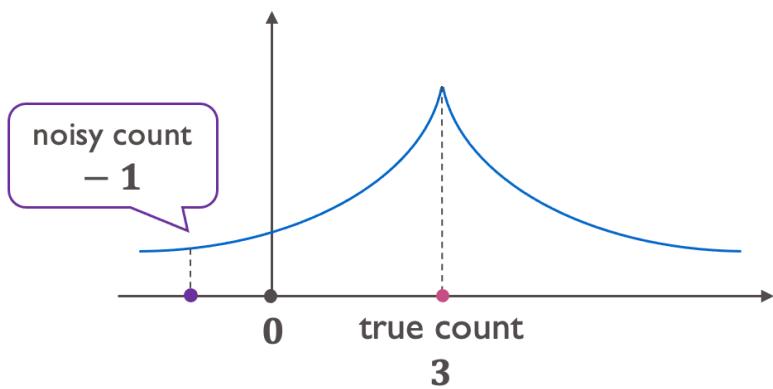


Differential Privacy in Practice



Practical Issues

Non-negativity



Consistency

Counties

Cobb	$3 + (-1)$	{ } $9 \neq 10 + 1$	State Georgia
Fulton	$5 + 2$		
DeKalb	$2 + (-2)$		

Post-Processing Immunity

Drawback

Private query answers with appropriate noise added do not necessarily satisfy domain constraints.

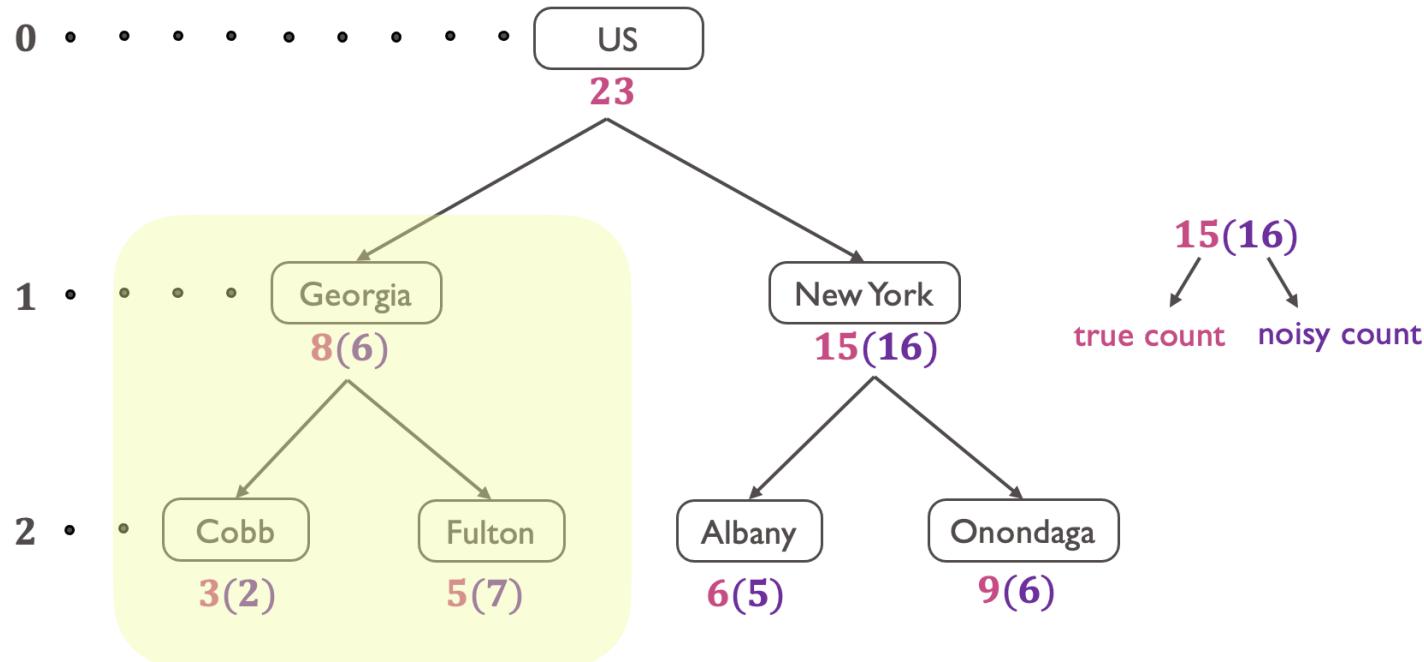
Solution

Post-processing Immunity

Private query answers can be transformed using data-independent function to meet domain constraints. Such post-processing step does not hurt privacy.

Hierarchical Release

Levels



$$x_{\text{Cobb}} + x_{\text{Fulton}} = 7, \quad x_{\text{Cobb}} \geq 0, \quad x_{\text{Fulton}} \geq 0.$$

Post-Processing Immunity

Model 1 The \mathcal{M}_H post-processing step.

$$\underset{\{\hat{\mathbf{n}}^r\}_{r \in \mathbf{R}}}{\text{Minimize}} \quad \sum_{r \in \mathbf{R}} \|\hat{\mathbf{n}}^r - \tilde{\mathbf{n}}^r\|_2^2$$

$$\text{Subject to: } \sum_{s \in [N]} \hat{n}_s^r = G \quad \forall r \in \mathbf{R}$$

$$\sum_{c \in ch(r)} \hat{n}_s^c = \hat{n}_s^r \quad \forall r \in \mathbf{R}, s \in [N]$$

$$\hat{n}_s^r \in D_s^r \quad \forall r \in \mathbf{R}, s \in [N]$$

Scalability

a million dollar question

Post-Processing: Dynamic programming

- ▶ bottom-up phase
 - computes cost tables to find the optimal cost
- ▶ top-down phase
 - recover the optimal values for the optimal cost

Dynamic Programming: Bottom-Up

- ▶ Optimal cost at node r if its value is v

$$\tau^r(v) = (v - \tilde{n}^r)^2 +$$

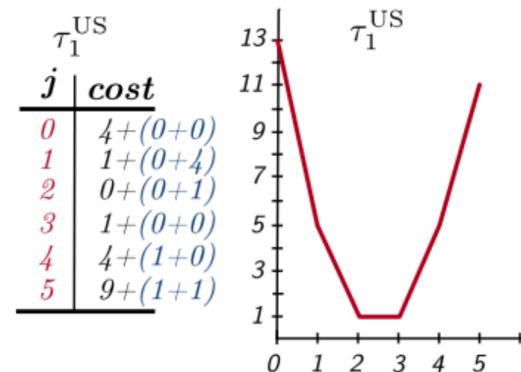
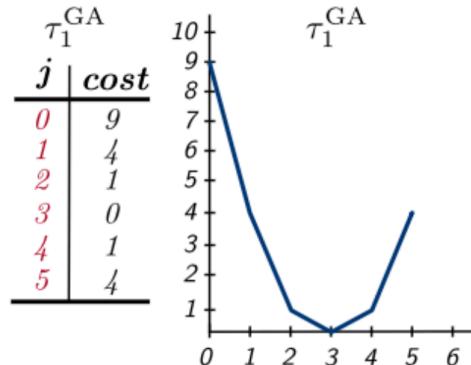
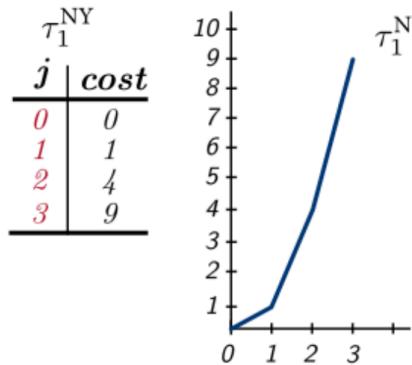
$$\phi^r(v) = \underset{\{x_c\}_{c \in ch(r)}}{\text{Minimize}} \sum_{c \in ch(r)} \tau^c(x_c)$$

Subject to: $\sum_{c \in ch(r)} x_c = v$

$$x_c \in D^c \quad \forall c \in ch(r).$$

Dynamic Programming

- Optimal cost at node r if its value is v
 - the cost functions are convex piecewise linear

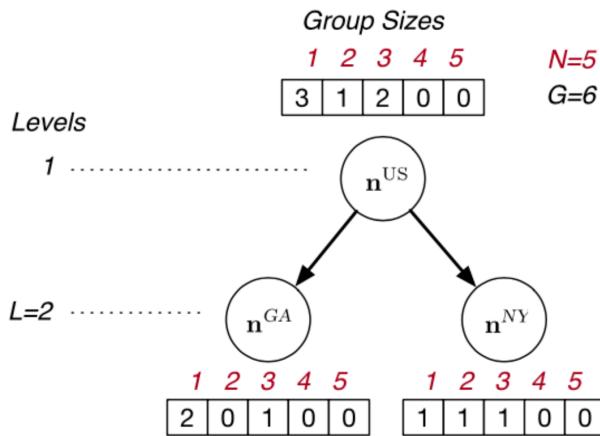
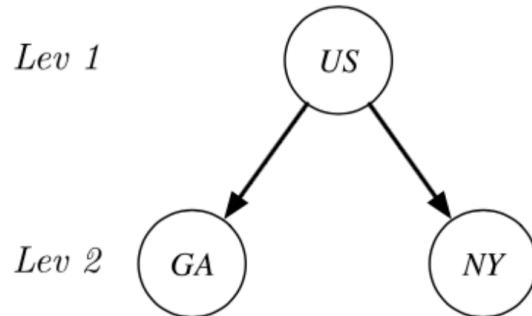


- Theorem: the cost table can be computed in $O(\text{IDI} \log \text{IDI})$ time

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region	u	group G_u	σ_u
GA	A	{01, 03, 04}	3
	B	{02}	1
	C	{05}	1
NY	D	{06, 08, 09}	3
	E	{07}	1
	F	{10, 11}	2

Group sizes	Lev 2		Lev 1
	GA	NY	US
1	2	1	3
2	0	1	1
3	1	1	2
4	0	0	0
$5 = \mathcal{S} = N$	0	0	0
	n^{GA}	n^{NY}	n^{US}



Sensitivities

- ▶ Counts and sensitivities

Group	0	1	2	3
counts	4	3	2	5

- ▶ What happens if we remove one person?

Group	0	1	2	3
counts	4	4	1	5

Cumulative Counts

▶ Counts

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▶ Cumulative counts

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Post-Processing Cumulative Counts

Model 2 The \mathcal{M}_c post-processing step.

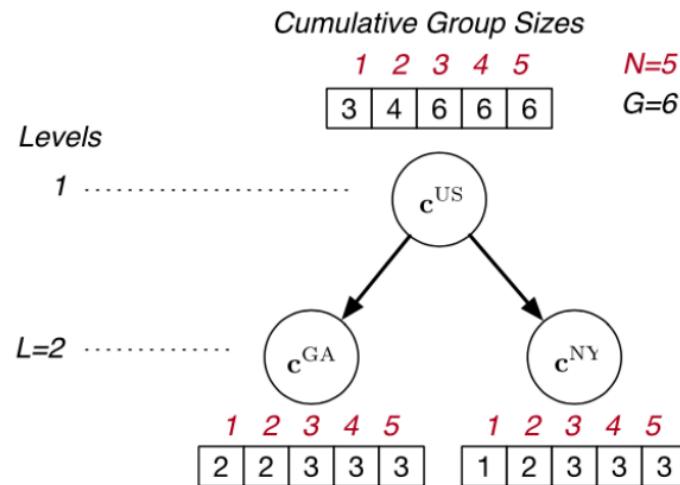
$$\text{Minimize}_{\{\hat{c}^r\}_{r \in \mathbb{R}}} \sum_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \|\hat{c}^r - \tilde{c}^r\|_2^2$$

$$\text{Subject to: } \hat{c}_N^\top = G$$

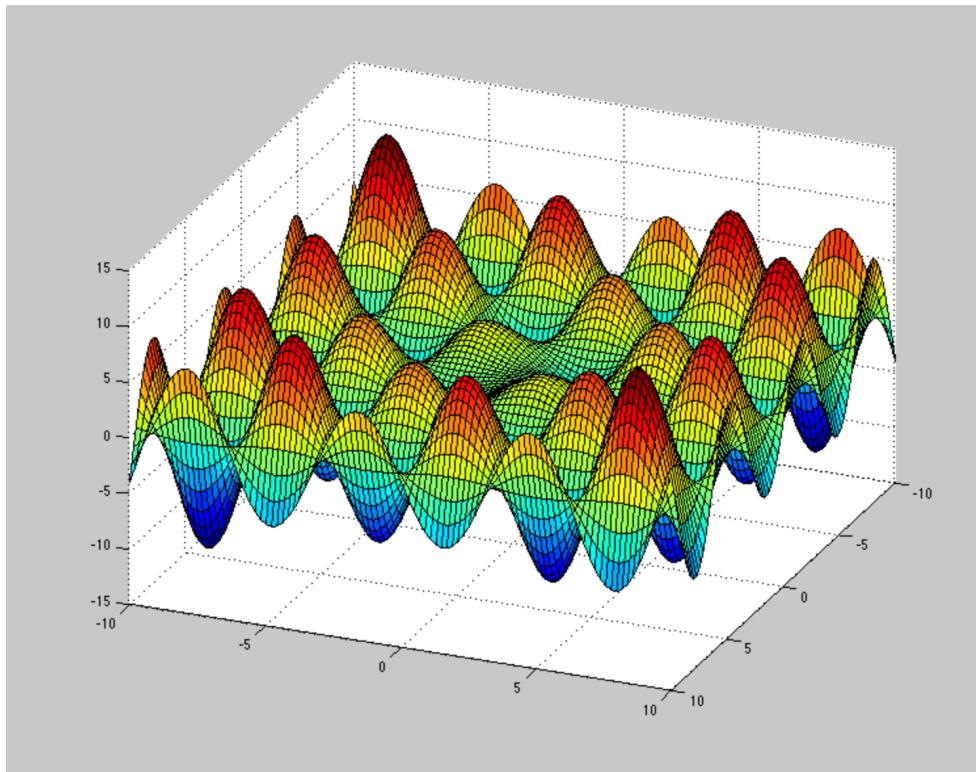
$$\hat{c}_i^r \leq \hat{c}_{i+1}^r \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{R}, i \in [N-1]$$

$$\sum_{r' \in ch(r)} \hat{c}_i^{r'} = \hat{c}_i^r \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{R}, i \in [N]$$

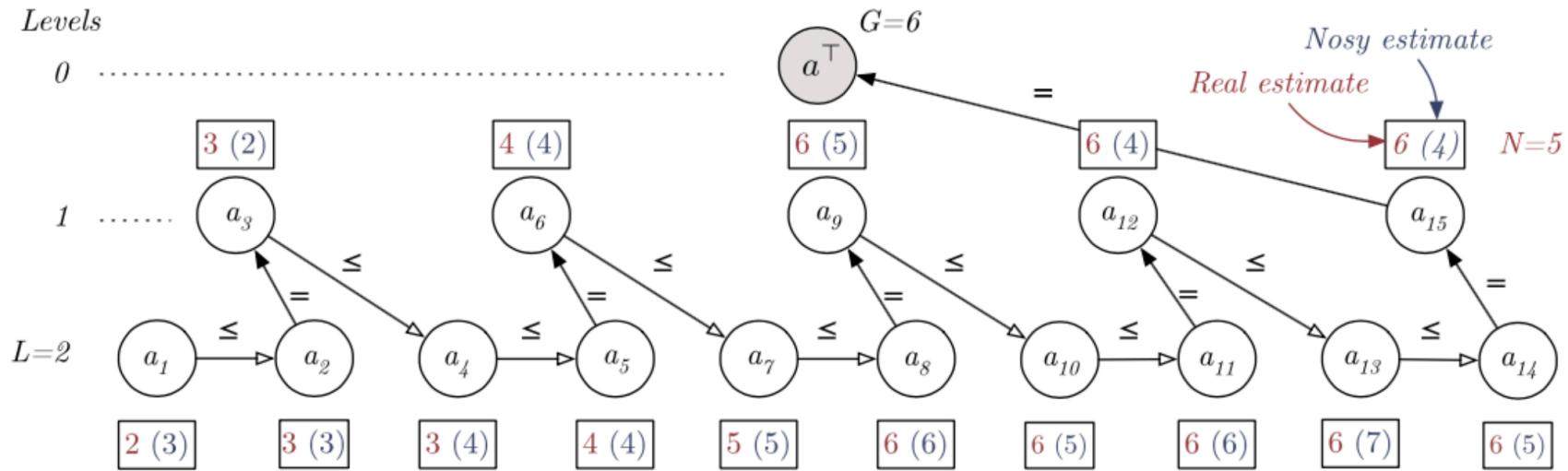
$$\hat{c}_i^r \in \{0, 1, \dots\} \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{R}, i \in [N]$$



Post-Processing Cumulative Counts



Flatten the Hierarchy!



Post-Processing Cumulative Counts

Model 3 The modified post-processing step.

Let $\dot{N} = |\mathbf{R}| N$

$$\underset{\{\hat{c}_i\}_{i \in [\dot{N}]}}{\text{Minimize}} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\dot{N}} \|\hat{c}_i - \tilde{c}_i\|_2^2$$

Subject to: $\hat{c}_{\dot{N}} = G$

$$\hat{c}_i \leq \hat{c}_{i+1} \quad \forall i \in \{i \in [\dot{N}-1] \mid \text{lev}(a_i) = \text{lev}(a_{i+1})\}$$

$$\hat{c}_i = \hat{c}_{i+1} \quad \forall i \in \{i \in [\dot{N}-1] \mid \text{lev}(a_i) > \text{lev}(a_{i+1})\}$$

$$\hat{c}_i \in \{0, 1, \dots\} \quad \forall i \in [\dot{N}]$$

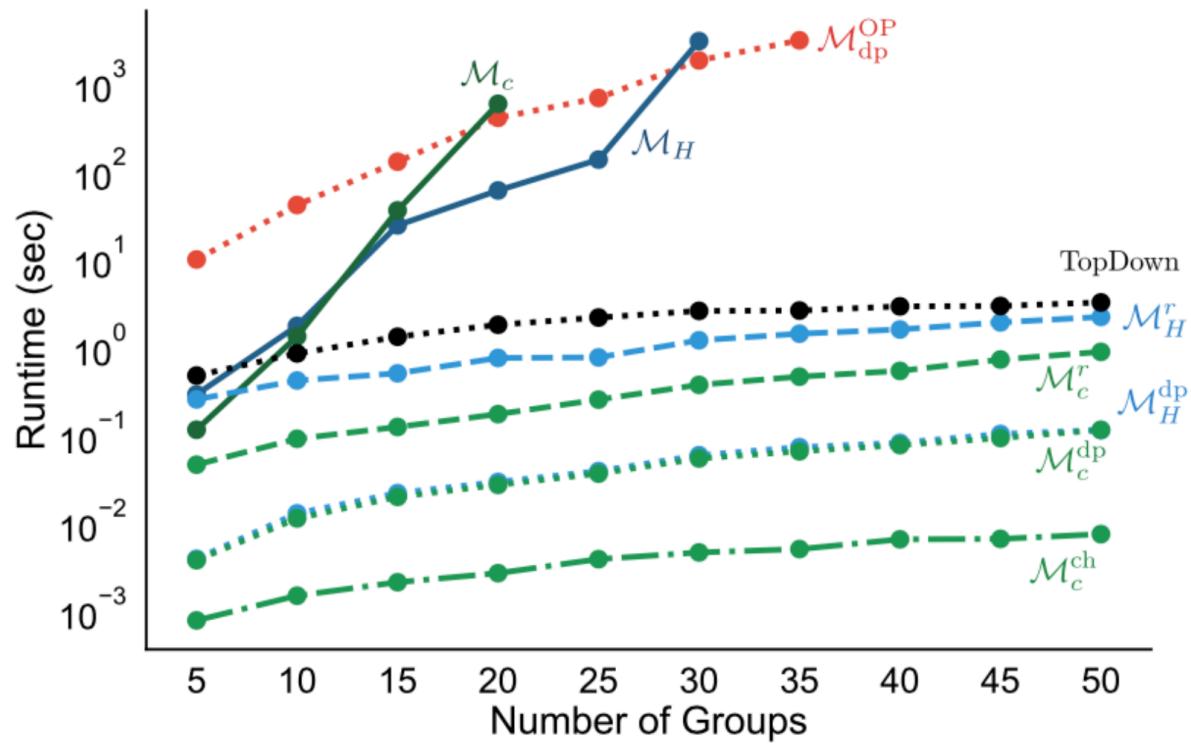
Back to Dynamic Programming

- ▶ Optimal cost at node r if its value is v

$$\tau_{i+1}(v) = (v - \tilde{c}_{i+1})^2 +$$
$$\phi_{i+1}(v) = \begin{cases} \tau_i(v) & \text{if } \text{lev}(a_i) > \text{lev}(a_{i+1}), \\ \underset{\substack{x_i \in D_i \\ x_i \leq v}}{\text{Minimize}} \tau_i(x_i) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Theorem: the cost table can be computed in $O(IDI)$ time
 - the overall algorithm computes a table per node

Experimental Results



Experimental Results

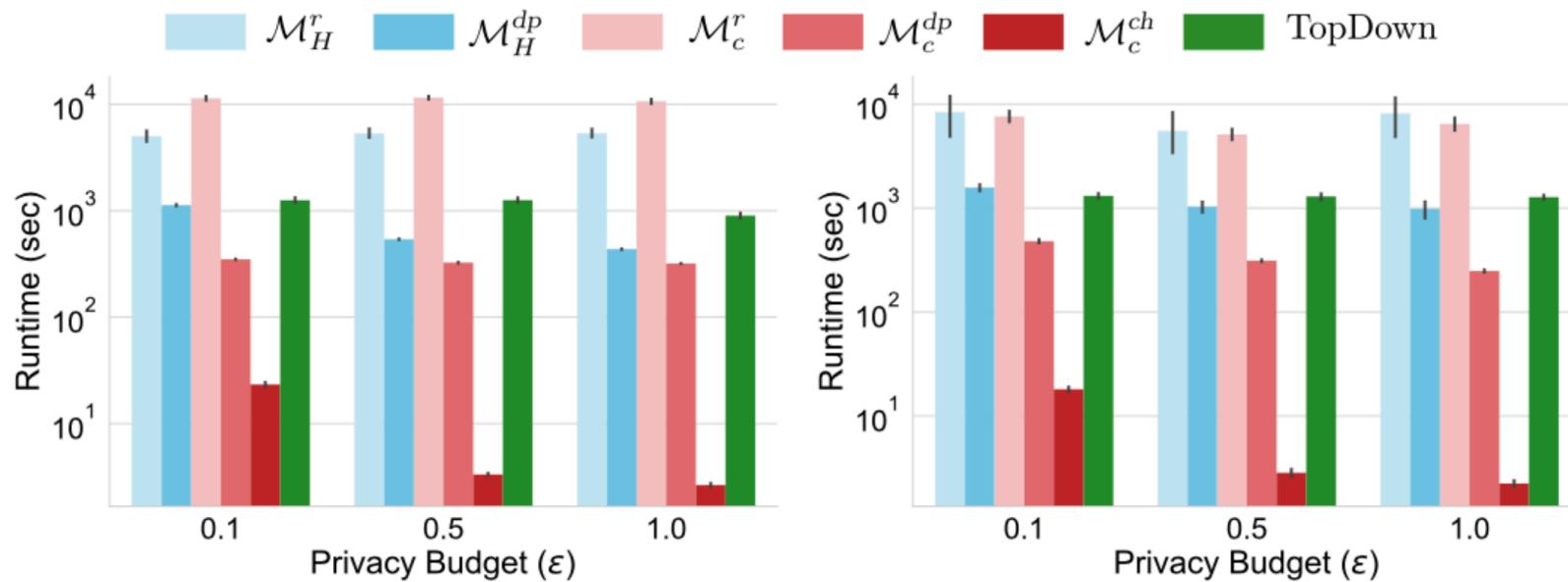


Fig. 8. The Runtime for the mechanisms: Census data (left) and Taxi data (right).

The first dataset has 117,630,445 groups, 7,592 leaves, 305,276,358 individuals, 3 levels, and $N=1,000$.

The second dataset has 13,282 groups, 3,973 leaves, 24,489,743 individuals, 3 levels, and $N=13,282$.

Experimental Results

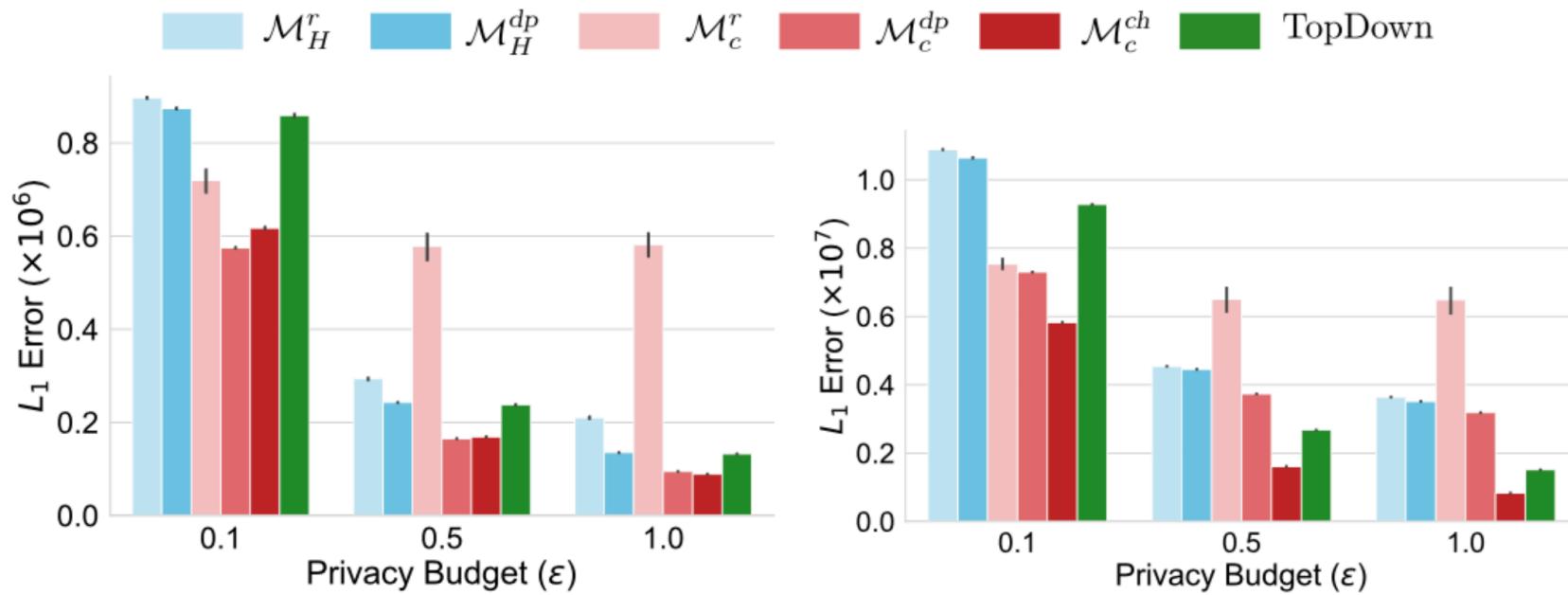
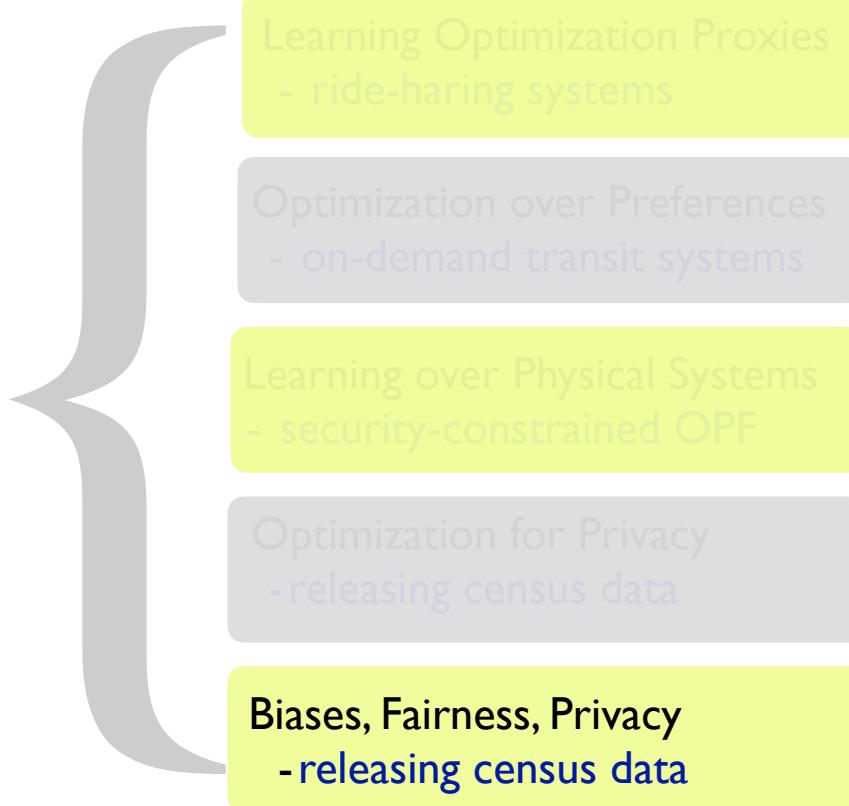


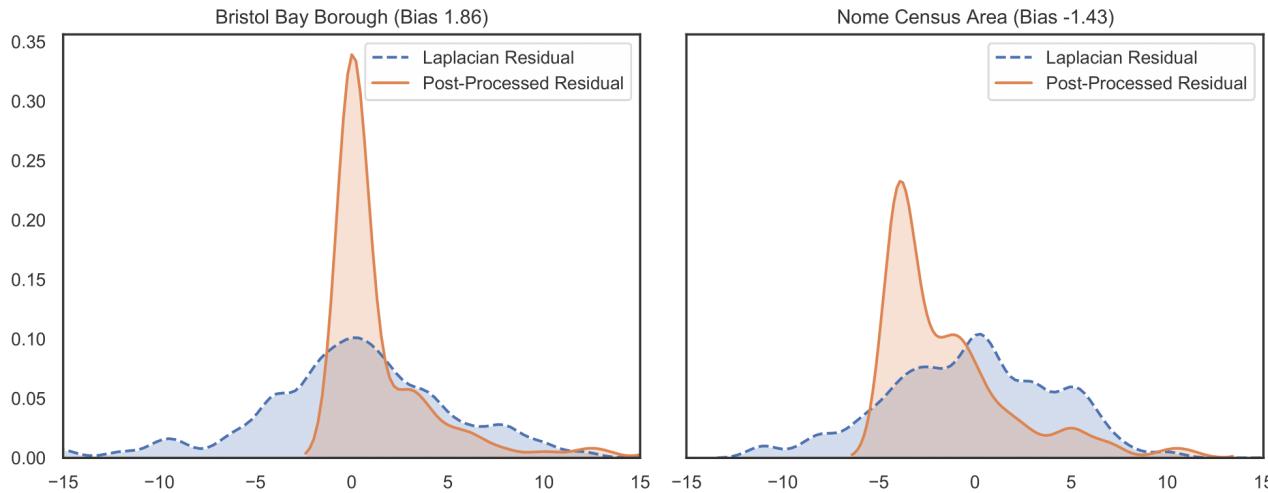
Fig. 9. The L_1 errors for the algorithms: Census data (left) and Taxi data (right).

Motivation



Bias on Census Release

- ▶ Post-processing introduces significant bias
 - $E_{\tilde{x}} [p(\tilde{x})] - x$.



Studying Biases



- ▶ True (original) data denoted by

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- ▶ Noisy data produced by Laplace mechanism

$$\tilde{x} \sim x + \text{Lap}(\lambda)^n$$

- ▶ m equality constraints characterized by

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, b \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Post-Processing

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) &\triangleq \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{v} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}\|_2 \\ \text{s. t. } A \cdot \mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{b}\end{aligned}\quad (P)$$

$$\text{Bias}[\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})] = \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}[\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})] - \mathbf{x},$$

$$\text{Bias}[\hat{\mathbf{x}}_+(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})] = \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}[\hat{\mathbf{x}}_+(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})] - \mathbf{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{x}}_+(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) &\triangleq \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{v} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}\|_2 \\ \text{s. t. } A \cdot \mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{v} &\geq \mathbf{0}\end{aligned}\quad (P_+)$$

Post-Processing

- ▶ Problem P has no bias
 - all the bias comes from the non-negativity constraints
- ▶ Consider problem

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}_S(\tilde{x}) &\triangleq \operatorname{argmax}_{v \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|v - \tilde{x}\|_2 \\ \text{s.t. } &\sum_{i=1}^n v_i = b\end{aligned}\quad (P_S)$$

Variance

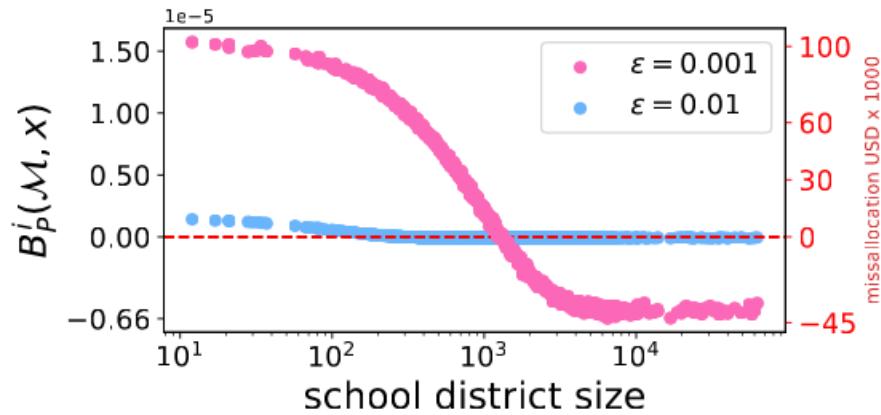
Given that $\tilde{x} \sim x + \text{Lap}(\lambda)^n$, each entry of the post-processed solution $\hat{x}_S(\tilde{x})$ is of variance $2\lambda^2(1 - 1/n)$.

Asymptotics

As the input dimension goes to infinity, for each $i \in [n]$, the i^{th} entry of the post-processed solution $\hat{x}_S(\tilde{x})$ converges to $x_i + \text{Lap}(\lambda)$ in distribution.

Bias in Budget Allocation

- ▶ Bias in Title 1 funds Allocation



$$P_i^F(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left(\frac{x_i \cdot a_i}{\sum_{i \in [n]} x_i \cdot a_i} \right)$$

Conclusion



- ▶ Tremendous opportunities in data science
 - tight integration of ML and optimization
 - role of optimization in privacy

Summary

Learning Optimization Proxies

- machine learning models approximating optimization solutions

Optimization over machine learning models

- capturing preferences and simulations

Optimization proxies in complex optimization frameworks

- constraint and column generation security-constrained OPF

Optimization for Privacy

- post-processing differential privacy to capture domain constraints

Biases, Fairness, Privacy

- many open issues about privacy, fairness, and biases

Future Work



Thank you for listening

