


How many cars are too many?

Recent results in the light of automated vehicles

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Basic issue

Transport is a

system of moving queues

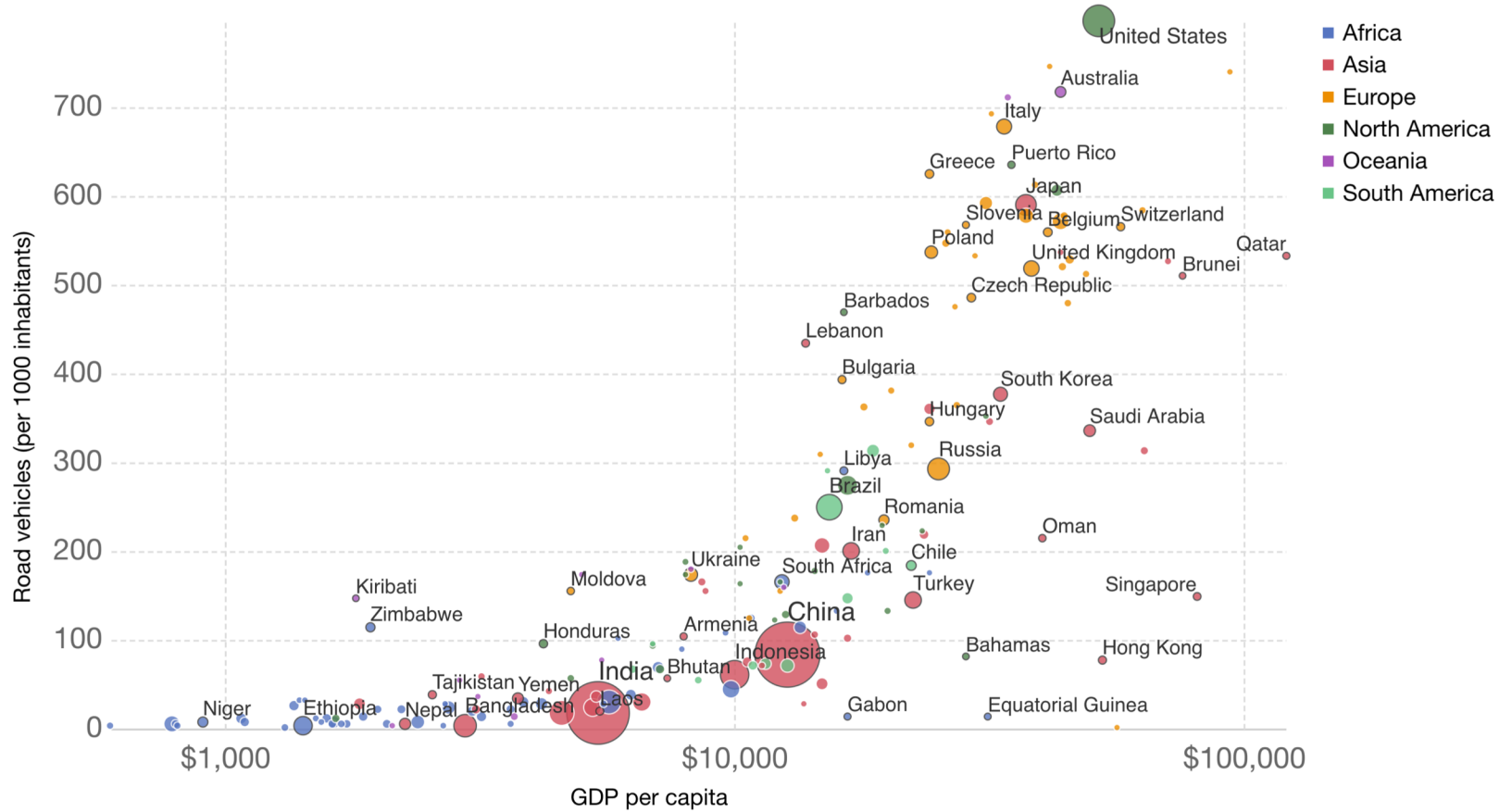
and

their servers

with

elastic demand

Motor vehicles (2014)



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Car ownership (Jakarta 2014)



Source: globalindonesianvoices.com

Where to strike the balance

Between

- Accessibility (speed, population/employment density)
- Productivity (speed)
- Cars
- Public transport
- Slow modes ?

And why the dilemma?

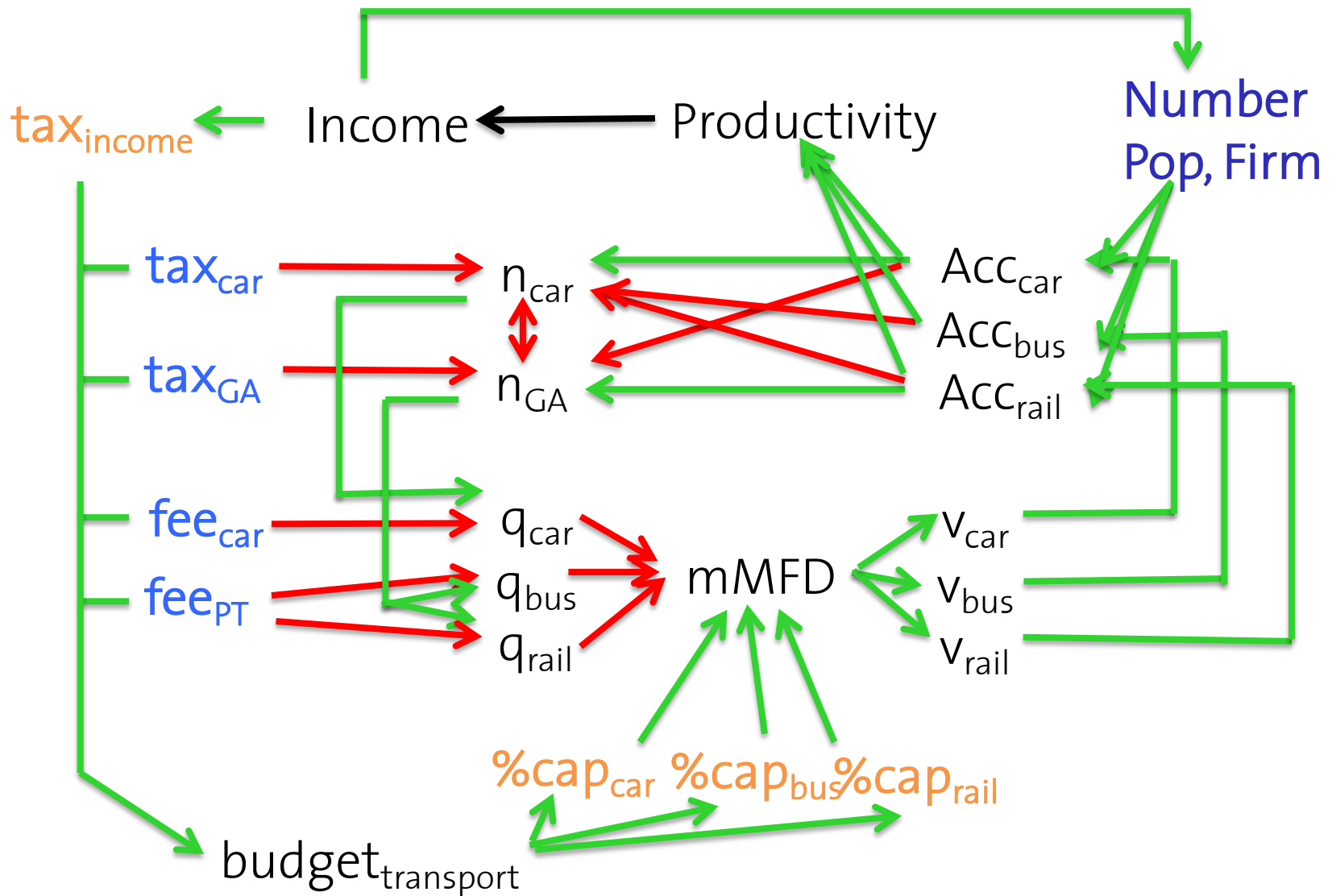
- Accessibility ~ Productivity ~ Welfare
- Car-accessibility ~ Car ownership ~ 1/transit season ticket ownership
- Accessibility ~ PKm ~ CO₂ production (with today's fleet)
- Accessibility ~ Urban sprawl ~ PKm

Where to strike the balance, but based on what ?

A model of Singapore's travel demand and traffic

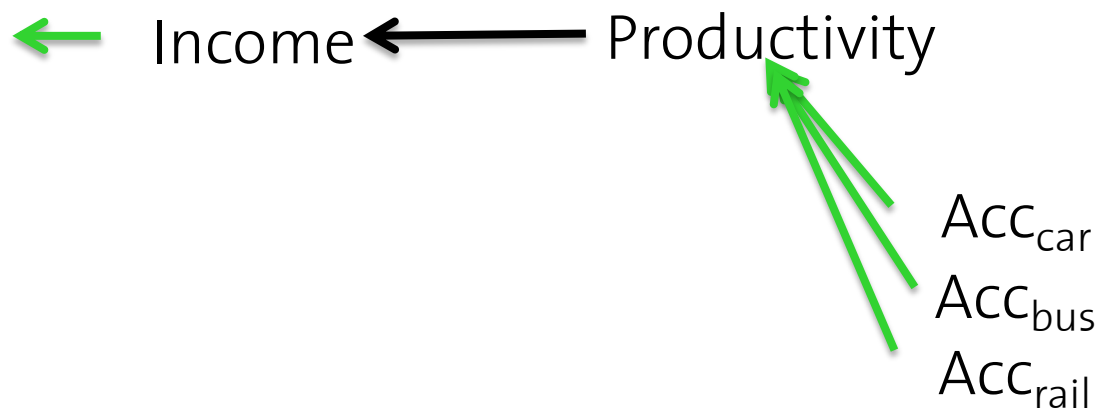


Would this be enough ?



What do we know ?

Access and productivity: Switzerland



Access and productivity: Literature

Different streams

- Aggregate (region)
 - e.g. Aschauer (1989)
- Disaggregate (firm, person)
 - e.g. Graham (2007)

Issues

- Measurement of accessibility
- Endogeneity of the network and productivity
- Role of instruments or proxies
- Spatial correlation

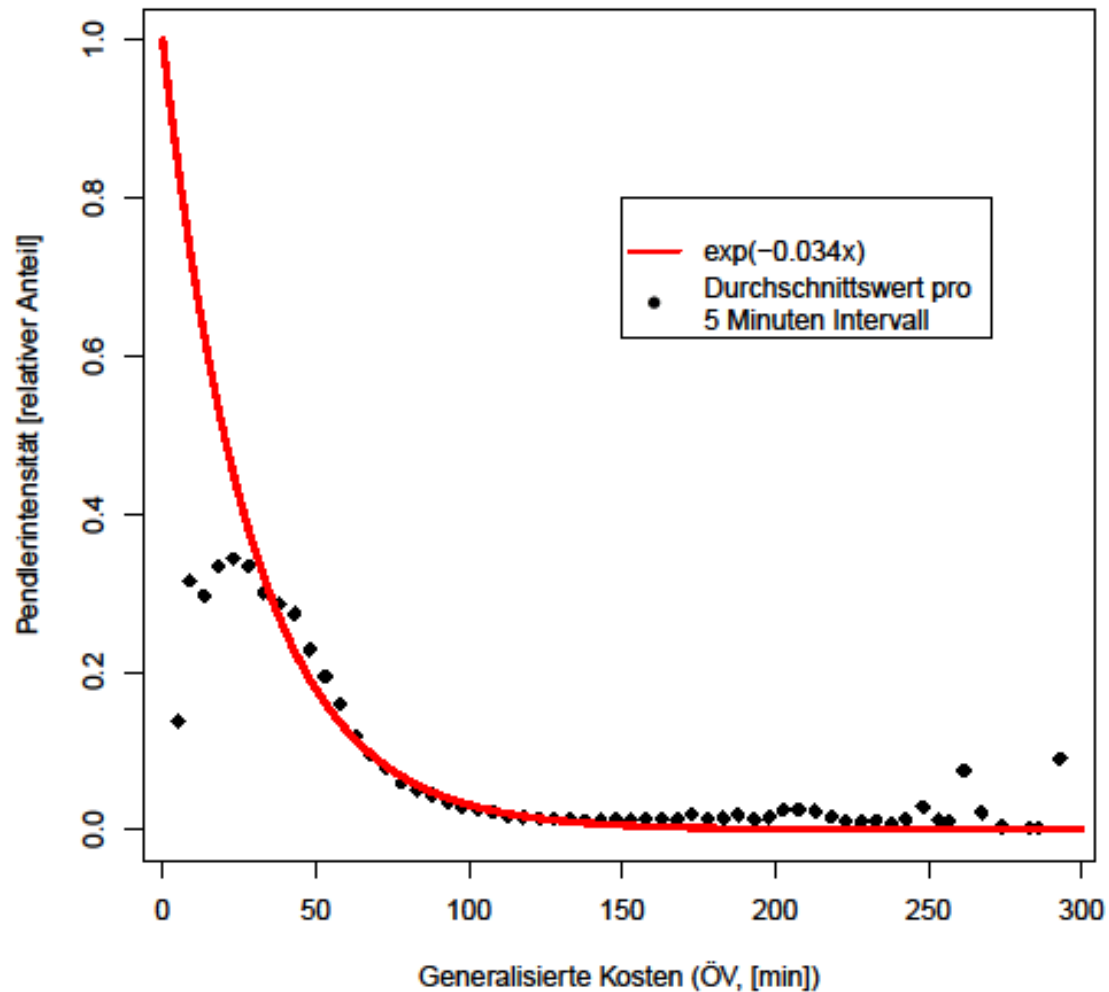
Accessibility, i.e. logsum of destination choice model

$$E_i = \ln \left(\sum_j E_{ij} \right) = \ln \left(\sum_j^{c_{ij} \leq \max c_{ij}} A_j \cdot f(c_{ij}) \right)$$

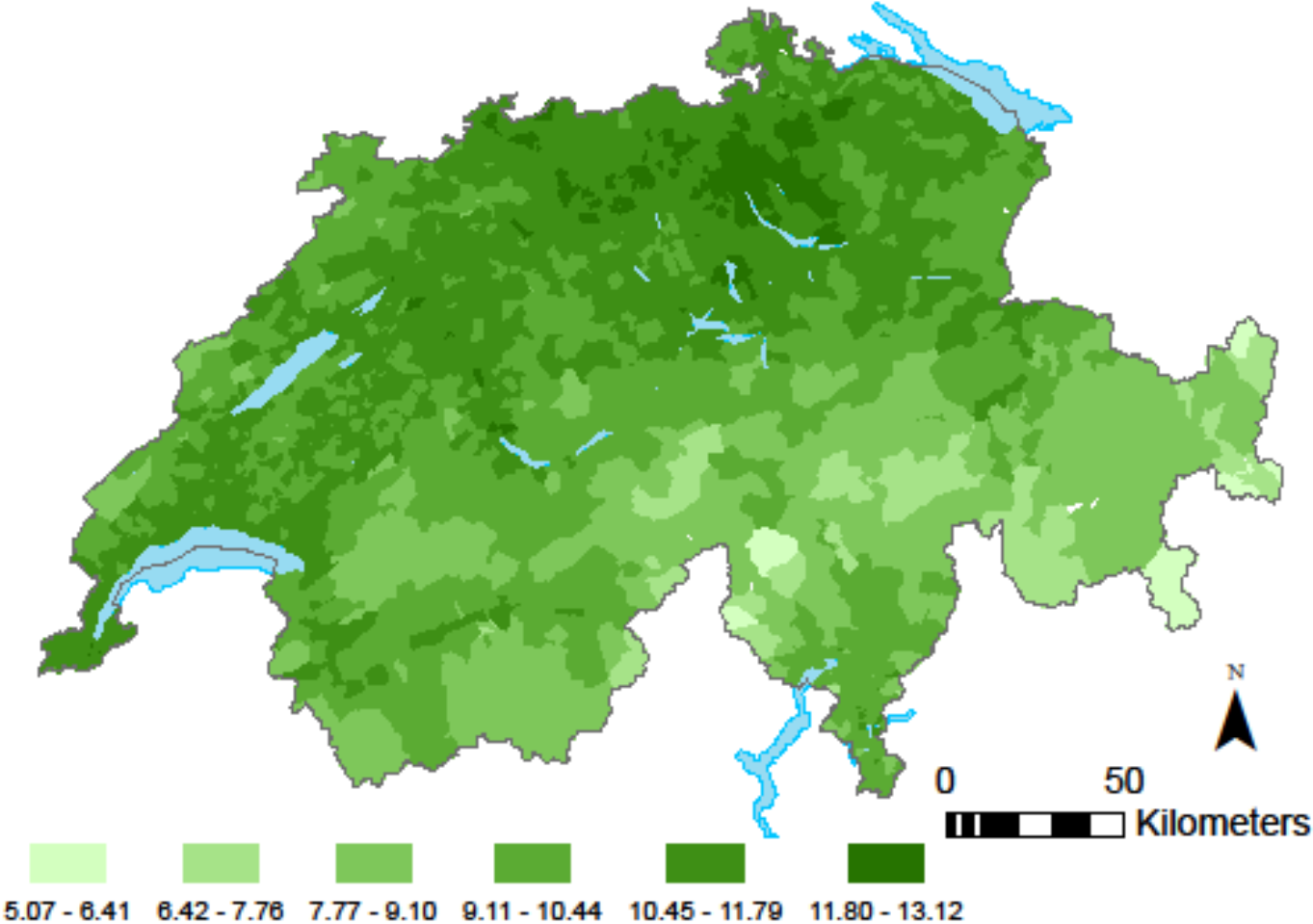
with E_i : Accessibility at location i (Potential)
 c_{ij} : Generalised costs between i and j
with upper range
 A_j : Number of opportunities at j
 $f(c_{ij})$: Weighting function
 $f(c_{ij}) = e^{-c_{ij}}$

The case of Switzerland (2000-2010)

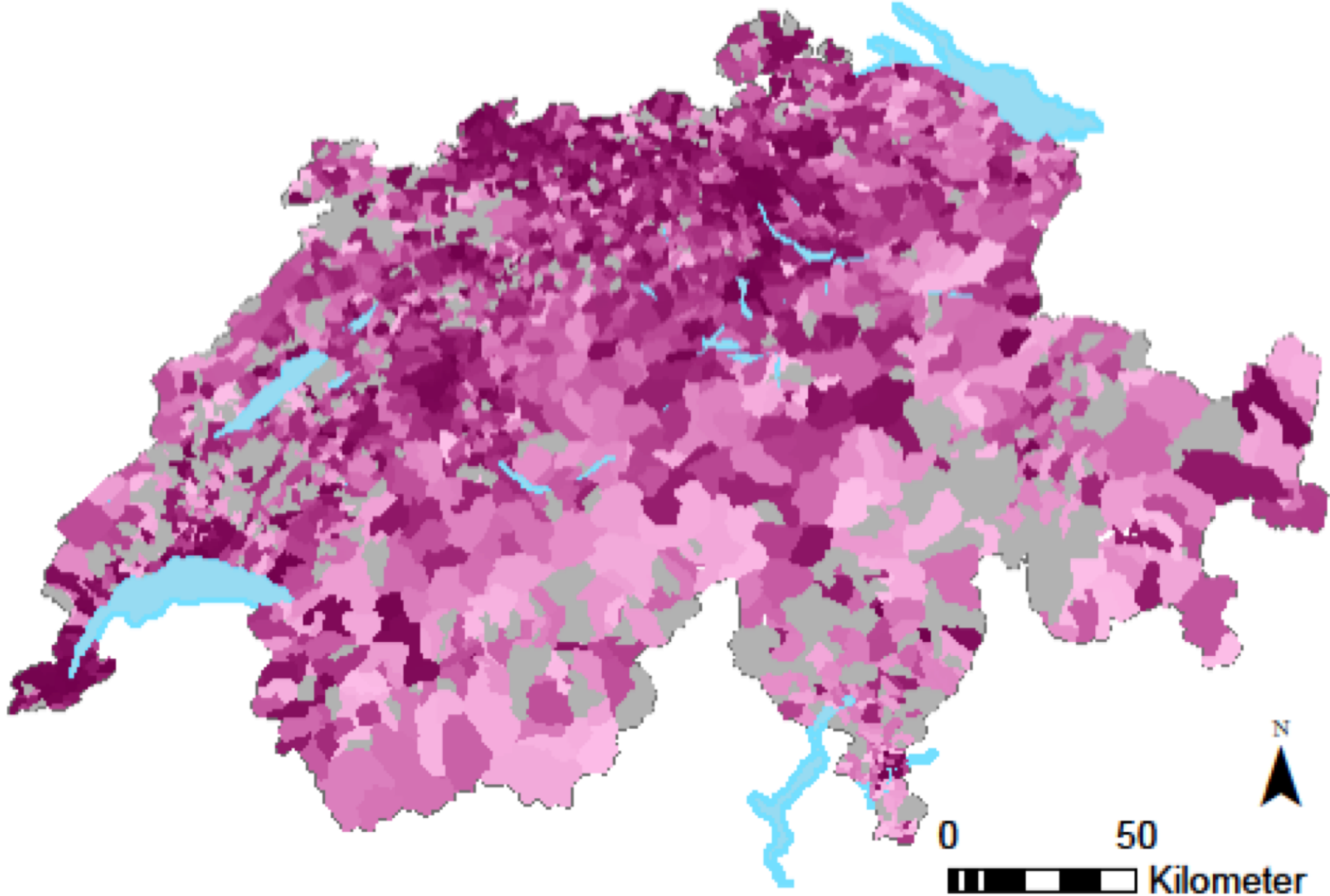
Accessibility, new weighting function



Population accessibility by public transport: 2010



Income levels: 2010



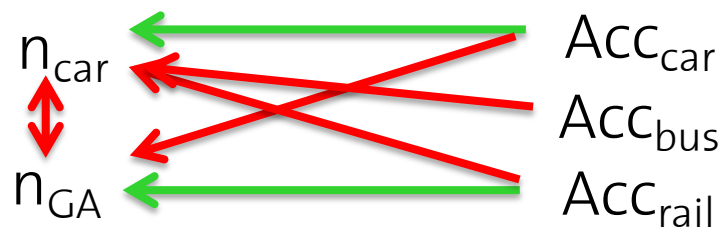
Grey: less than 20 observations

Pink to purple: Low to high wages

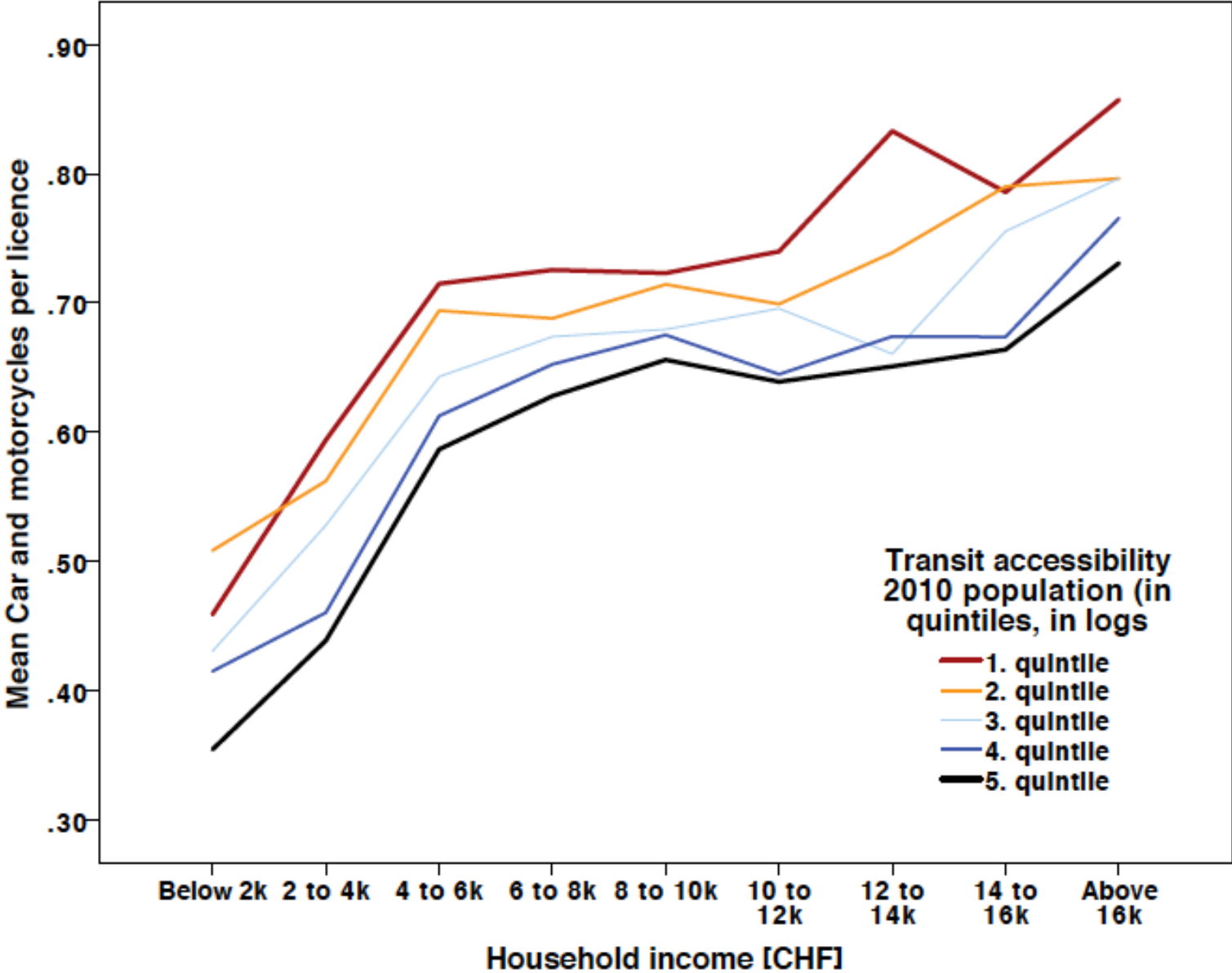
Spatial error model: Part 1

	2000		2005		2010	
Y: Ln mean salary	Estimate	Sig.	Estimate	Sig.	Estimate	Sig.
Intercept	6.43 ***		7.07 ***		6.89 ***	
Ln car accessibility	0.01 **		0.02 ***		0.01 **	
Ln public transport accessibility	0.01 **		0.01 ***		0.01 *	
Ln number of local employed	0.02 ***		0.01 ***		0.01 ***	
From outside Switzerland	-0.11 ***		-0.09 ***		-0.09 ***	
Short residence permit	-0.24 ***		-0.13 ***		-0.23 ***	
Average duration in-post	0.00 *		0.01 ***		0.01 ***	
Ln average age	0.36 ***		0.24 ***		0.32 ***	
lamda parameter	0.33 ***		0.41 ***		0.40 ***	
Nagelkerke pseudo-R-squared		0.69		0.67		0.62
Residuals' spatial autocorrelation		-0.009		-0.009		-0.007
# observations		1448		2298		2229

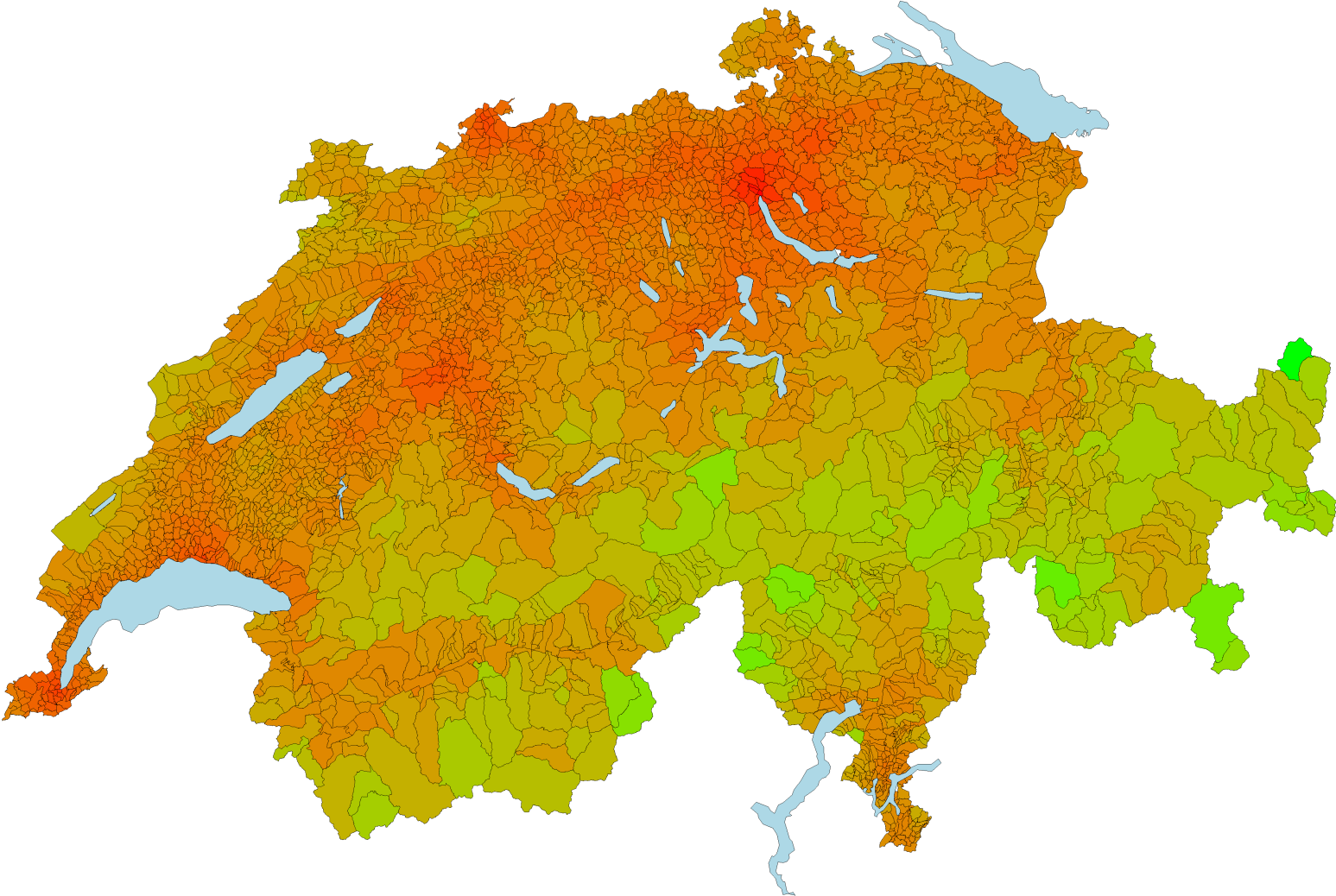
Accessibility and mobility tools: Swiss case



Accessibility and car ownership in Switzerland

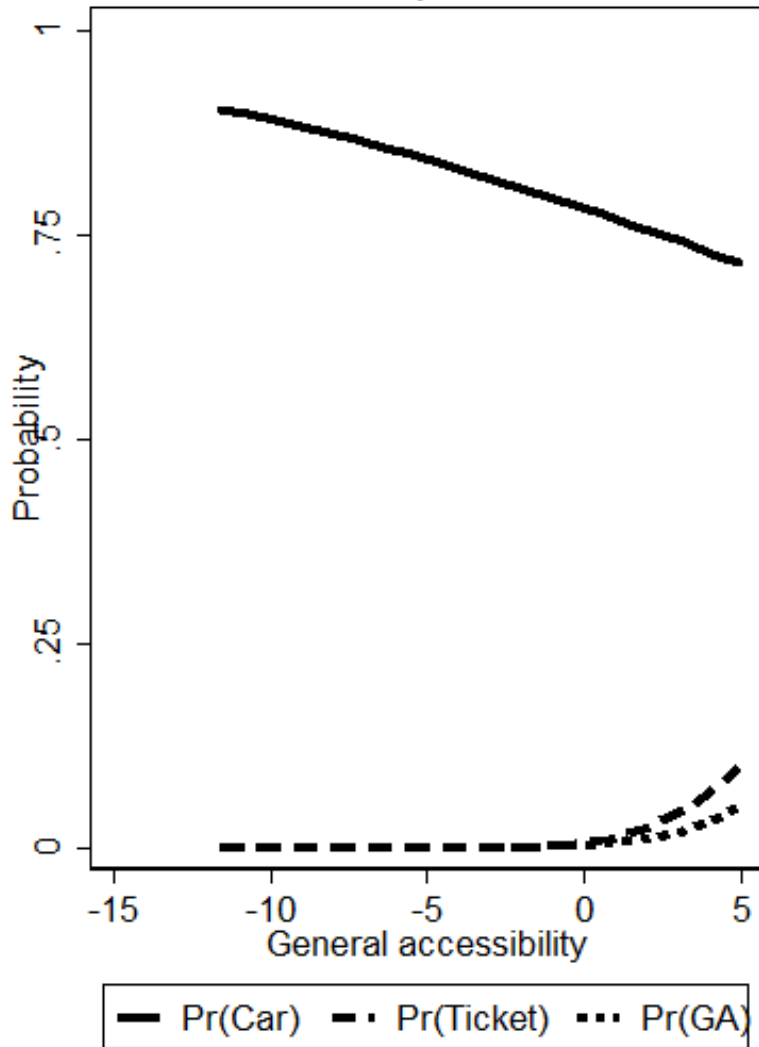


Switzerland: general accessibility

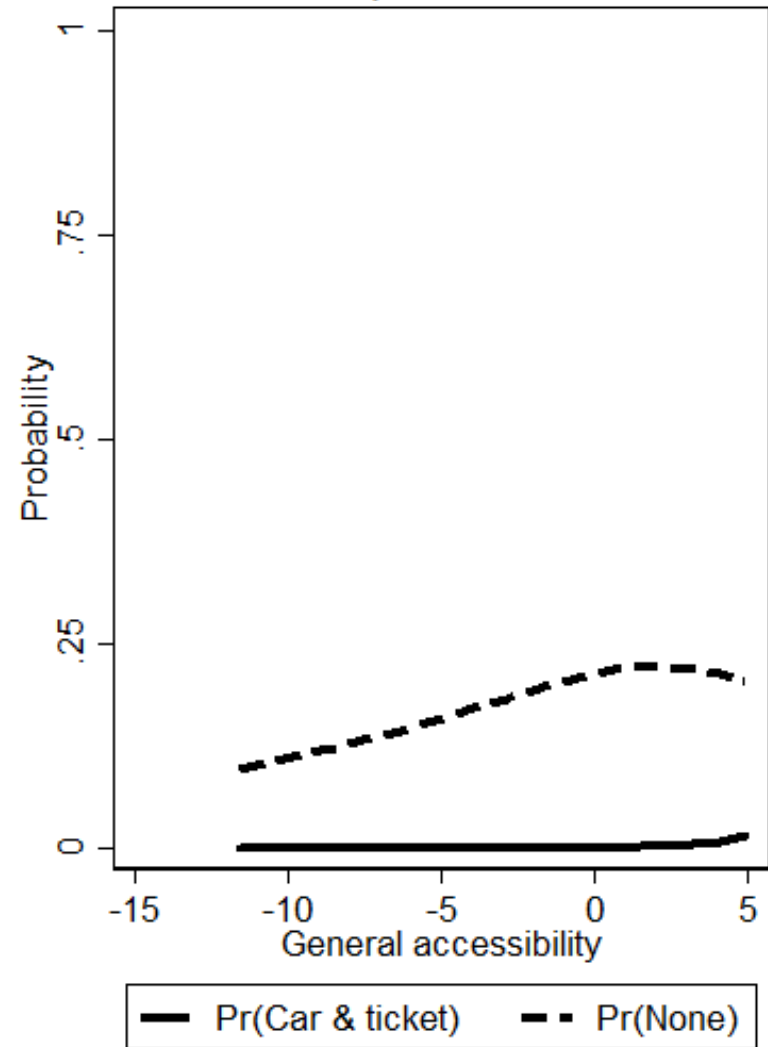


Switzerland: Probabilities by general accessibility

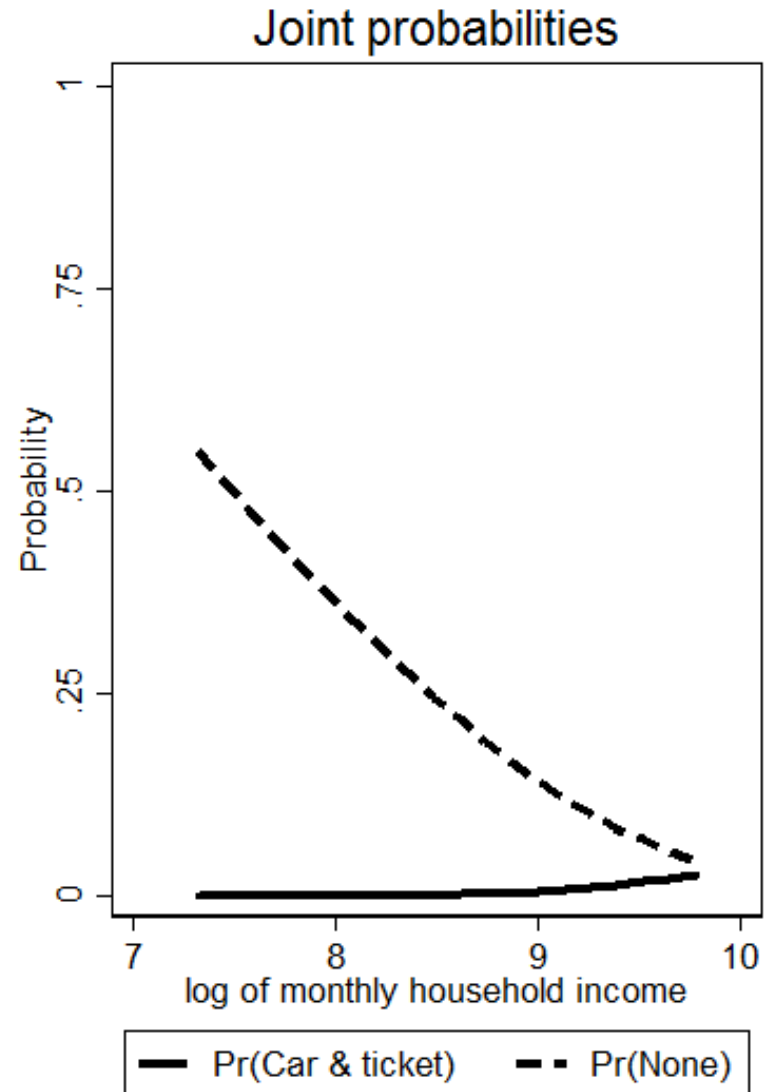
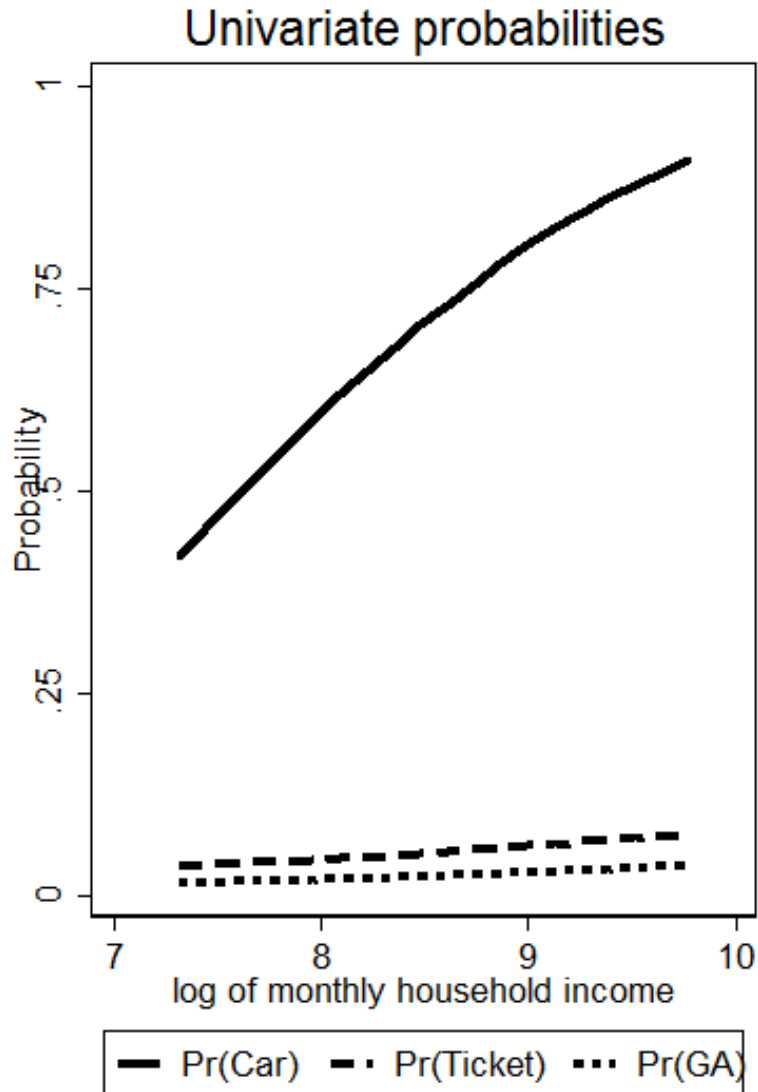
Univariate probabilities



Joint probabilities



Switzerland: Probabilities by log of income

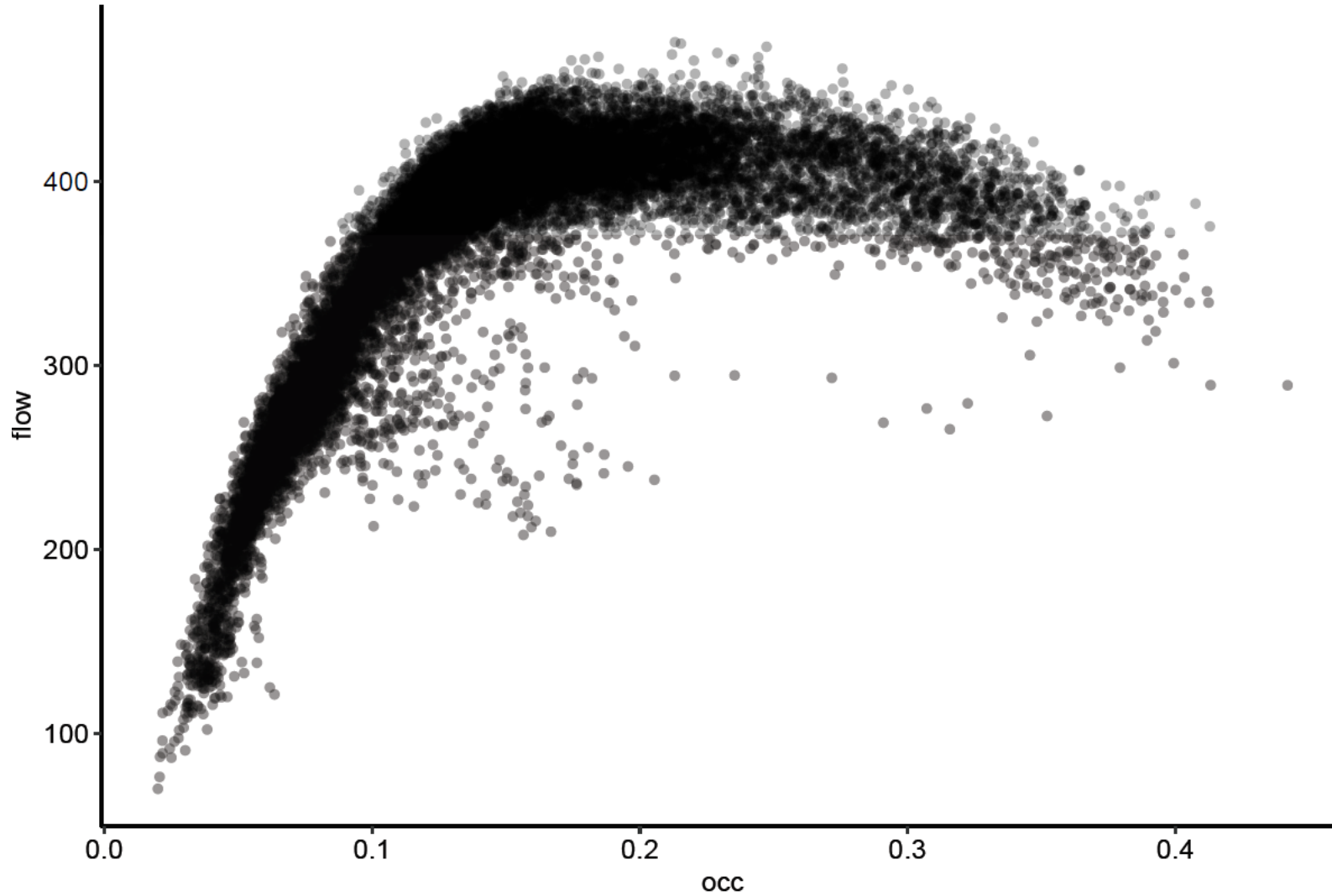


Fleet size and speeds

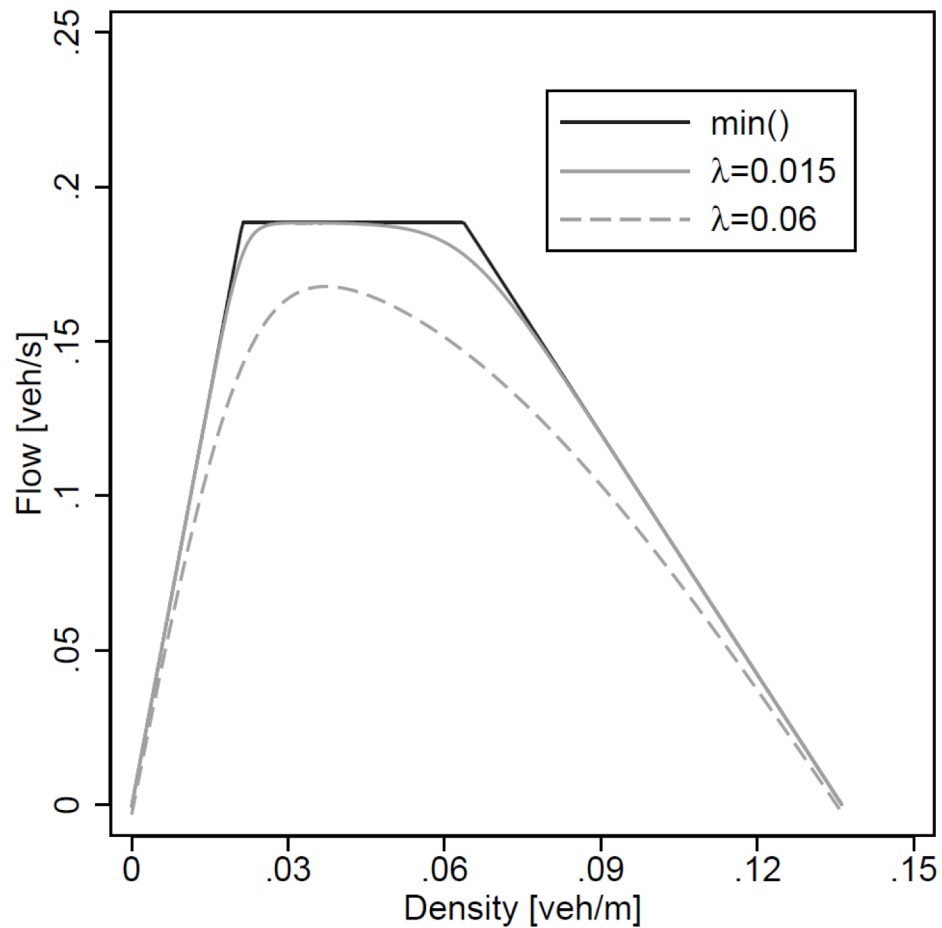


MFDs as a measure of network capacity

MFD data for one year (Wiedikon, Zürich)

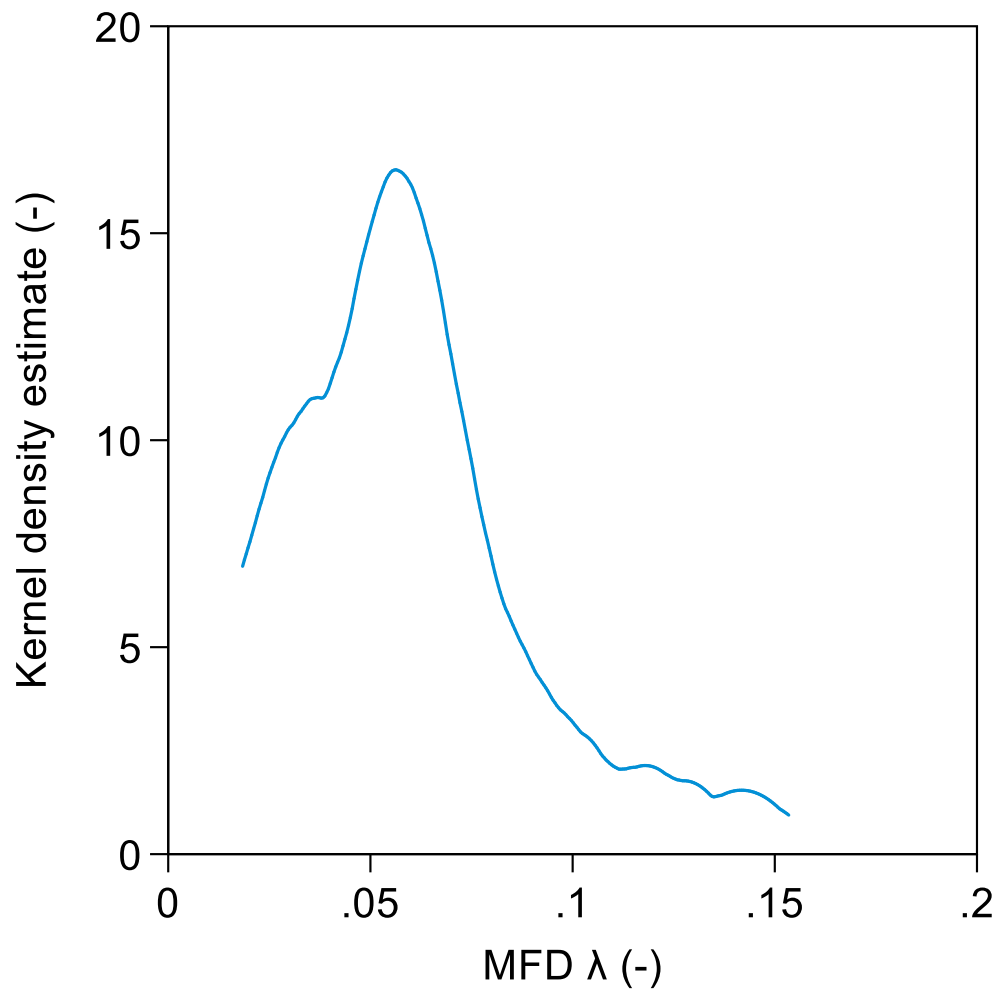


A functional form for the MFD

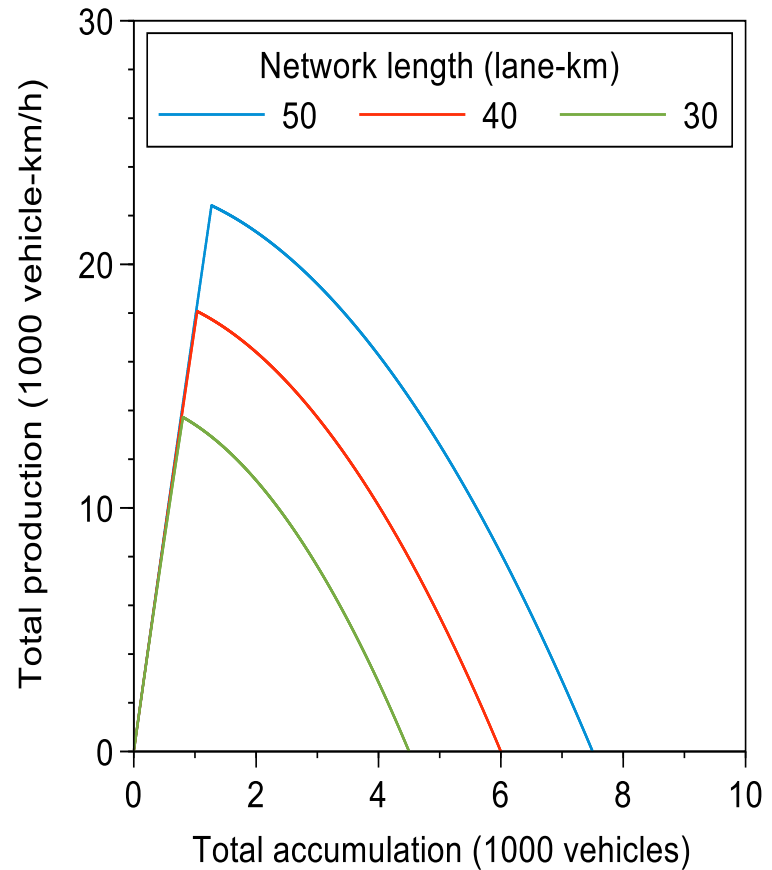
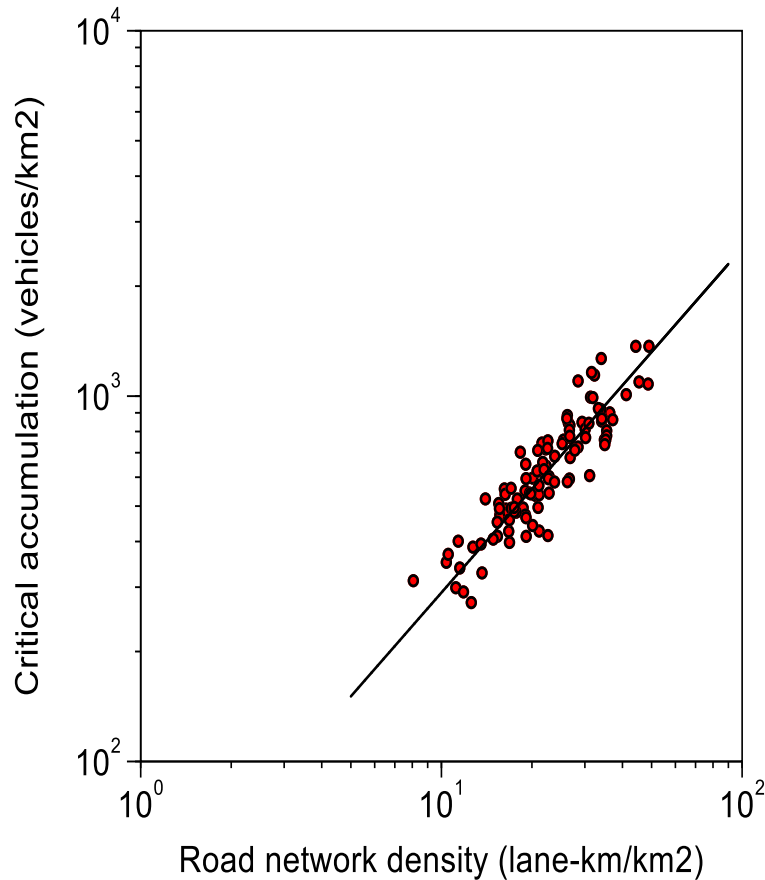


$$q(k) = \min(vk; Q; w(\kappa - k))$$
$$\approx -\lambda \ln \left(\exp \left(-\frac{vk}{\lambda} \right) + \exp \left(-\frac{Q}{\lambda} \right) \exp \left(-\frac{w(\kappa - k)}{\lambda} \right) \right)$$

Variance of the λ

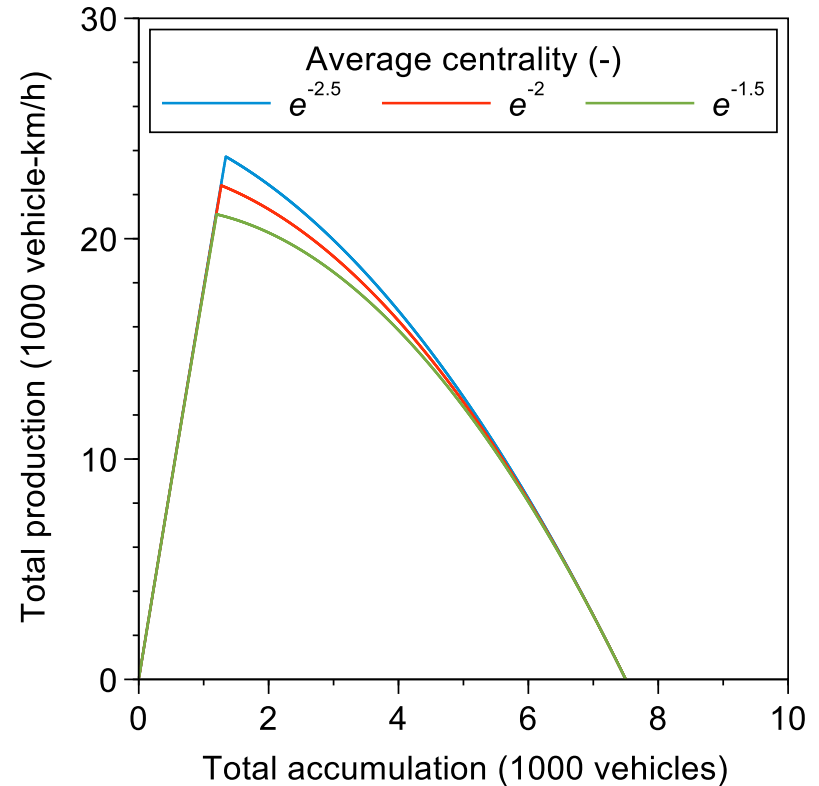
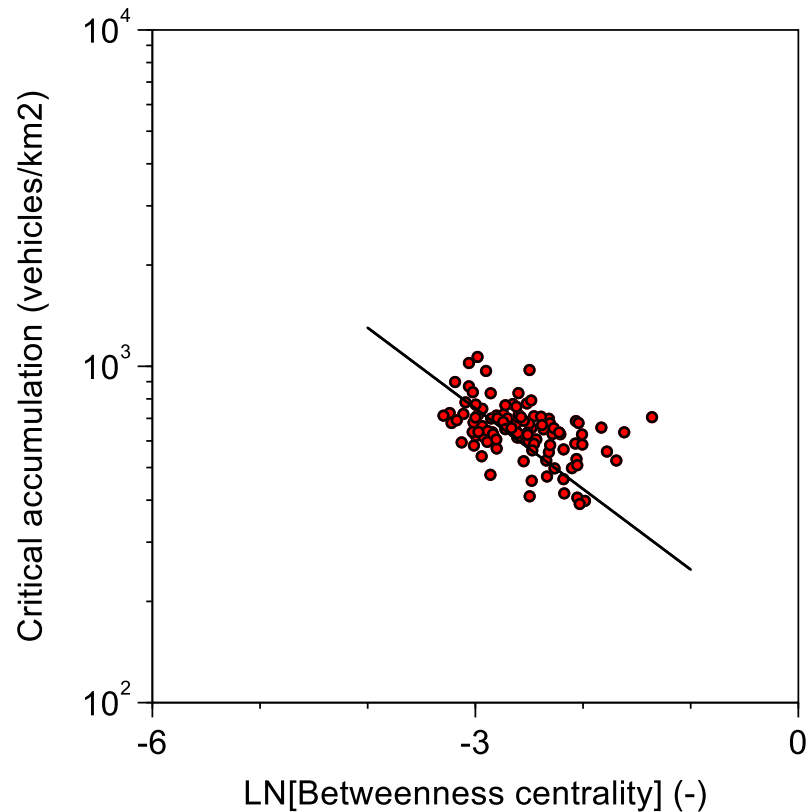


Influence of road network density



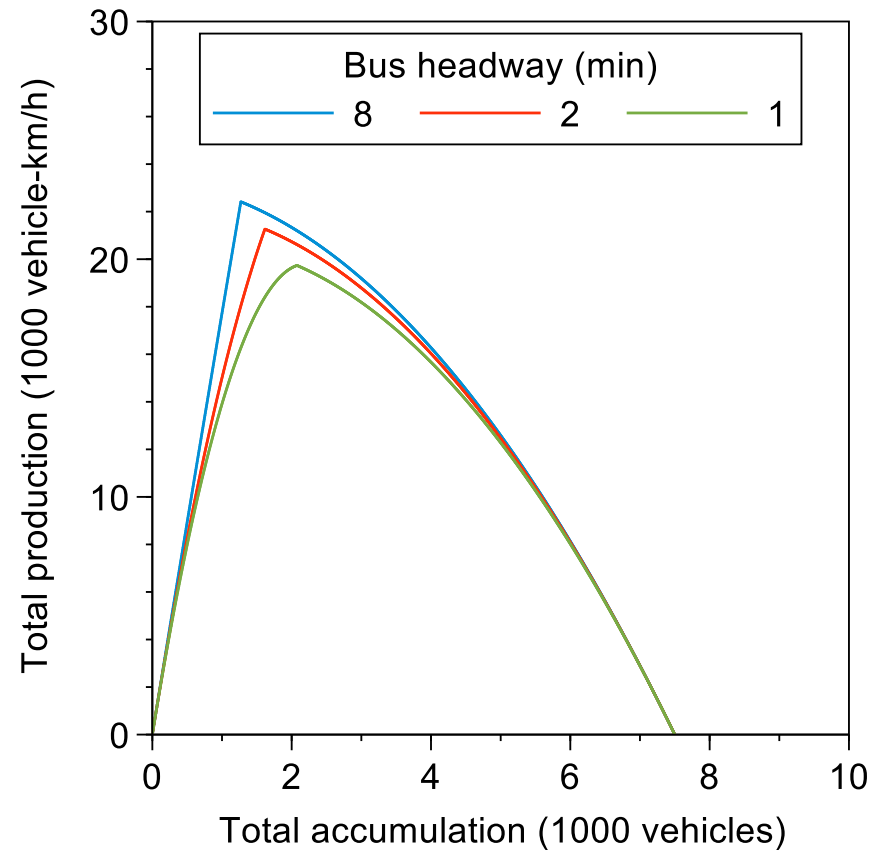
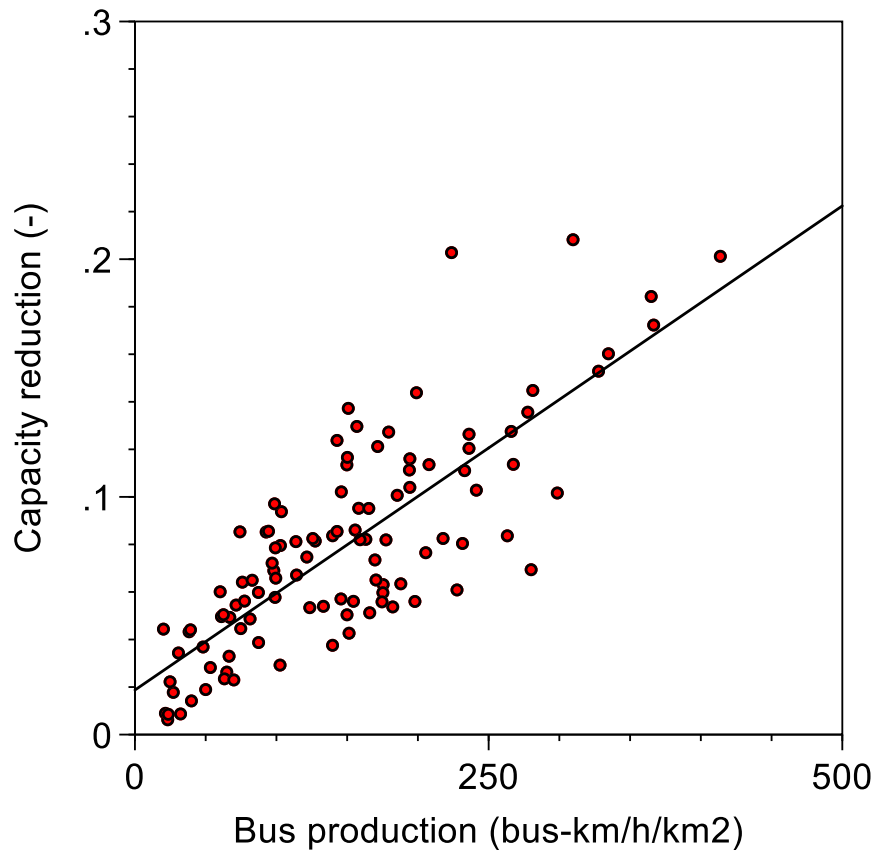
Elasticity $\varepsilon \approx 0.8$ (sublinear) \rightarrow Decreasing marginal returns from road network expansion

Influence of network design: Betweenness-Centrality



Network design measured in average betweenness centrality. Higher value indicates more bottlenecks (e.g. bridges)

Influence of bus operations



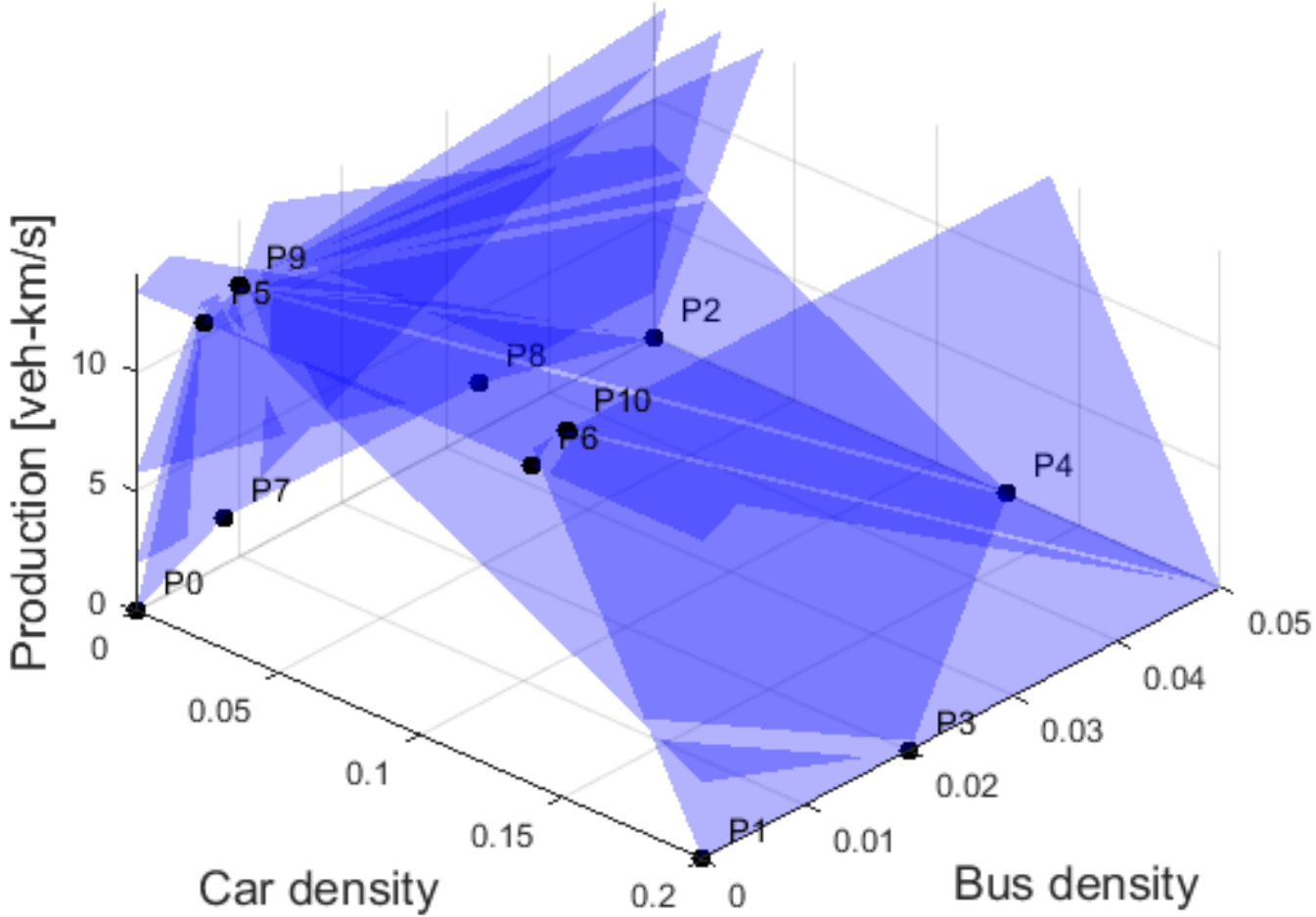
Extending the approach to 3 modes and 3D MFDs

Defining a functional form for the 3D MFDs

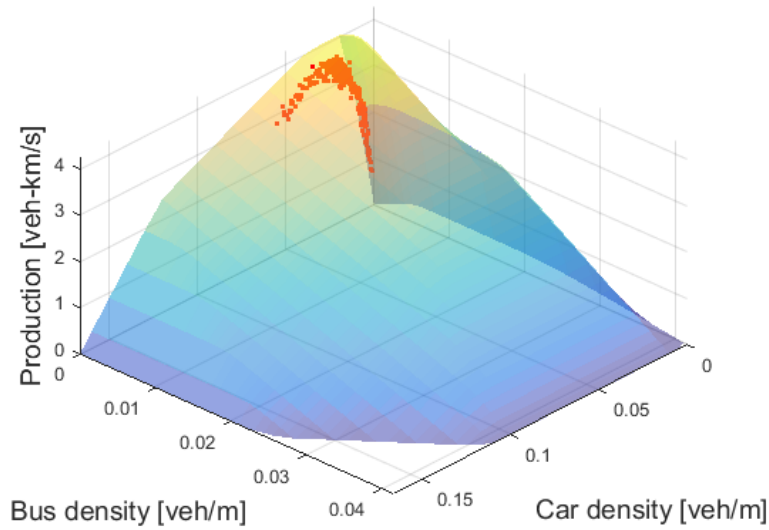
Define the planes (cuts) as upper limits for the 3D-MFD

- Road network
- Signal control
- Bus priority strategy
- Bus headway
- Stop headway
- Bus network design (e.g. hub and spoke)
- Dedicated lanes

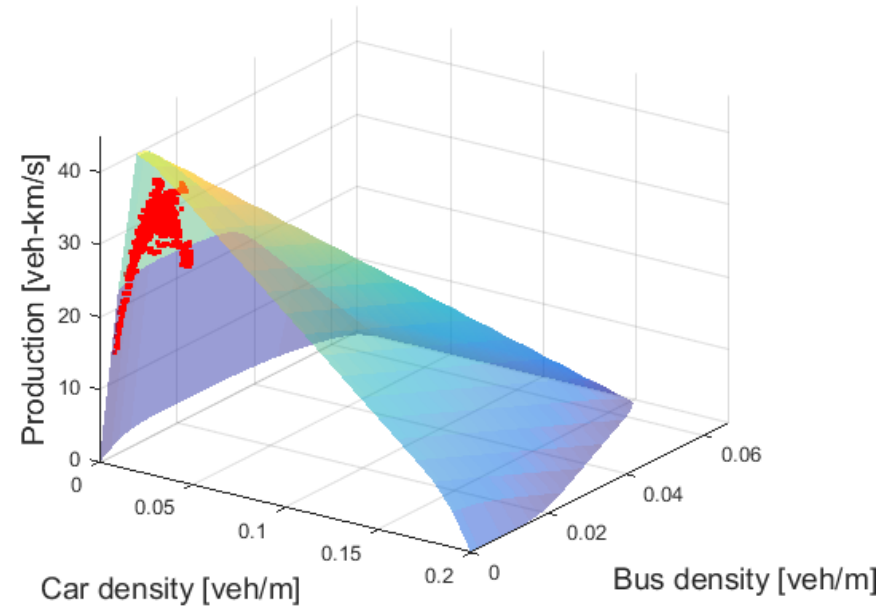
Create planes



First results using the approximation approach

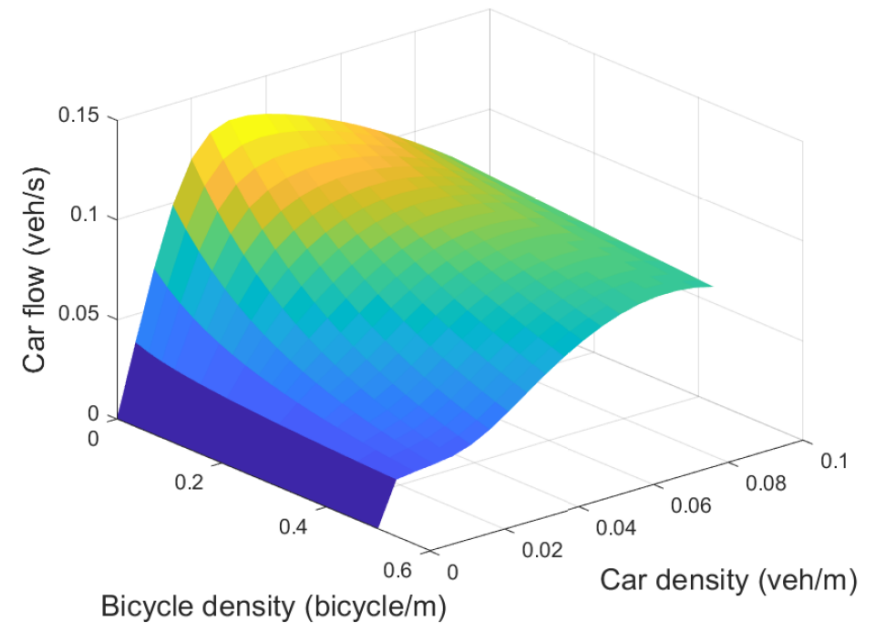
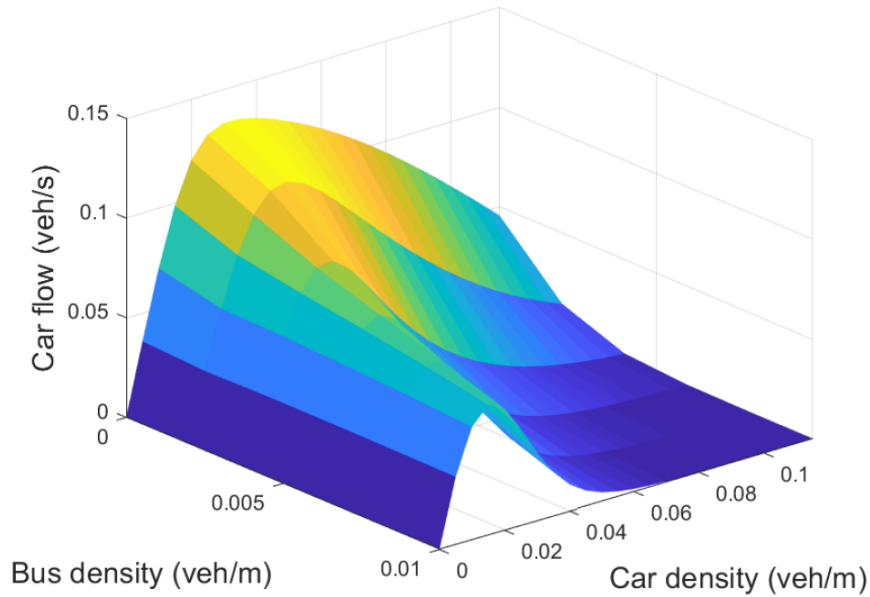


Zurich

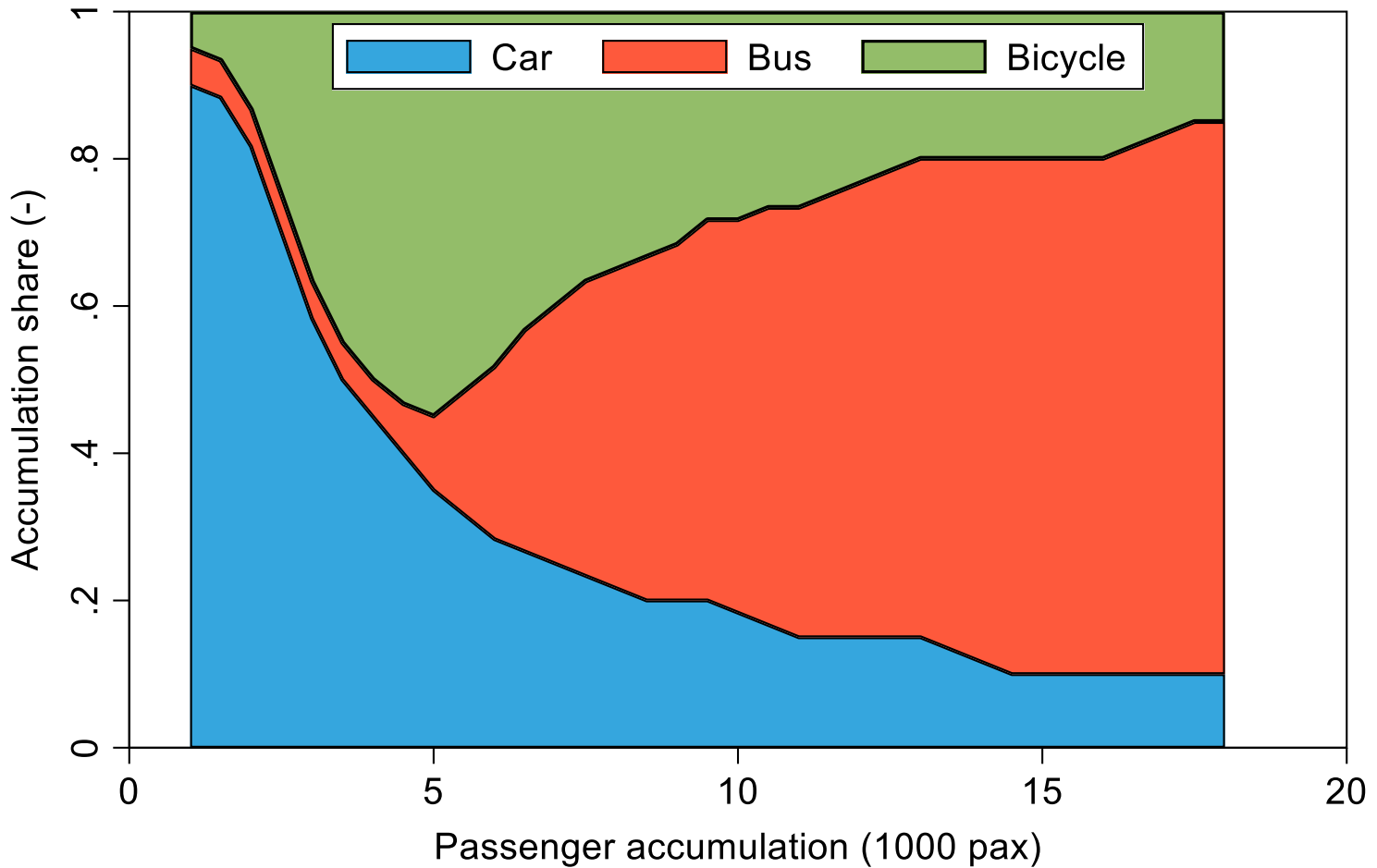


London

The resulting multimodal MFDs extending 2-fluid model



Applications: Passenger 3D-MFD



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Defining an AV future

Some scenarios for a 2030 Level 5 vehicle future

Facets

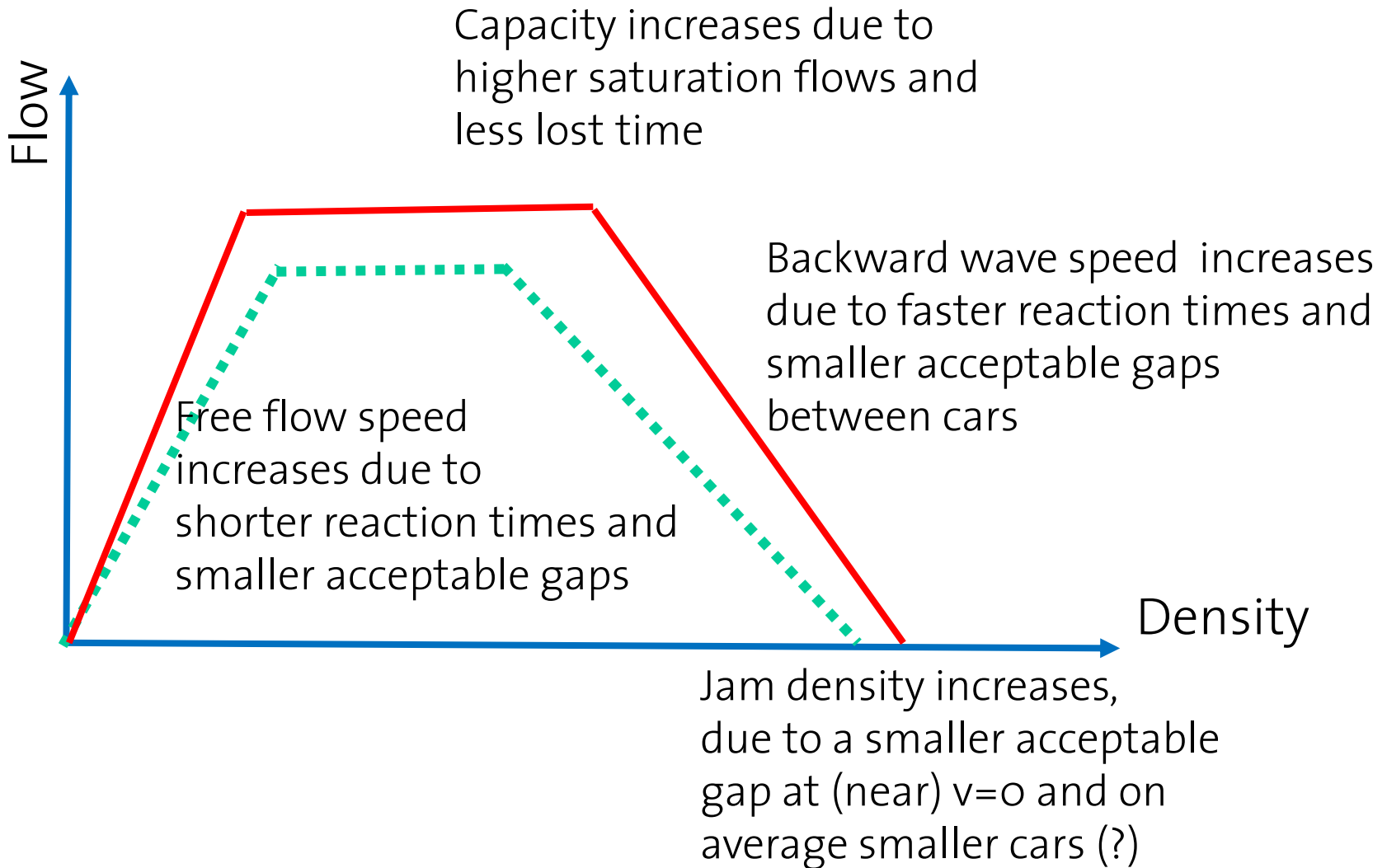
- Market structure (monopoly, oligopoly, dispersed)
- Role and extent of public transport
- System target (system optimum, user equilibrium)
- Type of traffic system manager
- Road space allocation
- Share of autonomous vehicles

Example scenario: Uber et al. take over

- Oligopoly of fleet owners
- Public transport scaled down to the high capacity modes
- System optimum via dynamic tolls and parking charges
- Operators negotiate slots with each other
- Road space allocation tends towards the slow modes
- 100% share of mixed size autonomous vehicles for cost reasons
- 100% share of electric vehicles for climate reasons

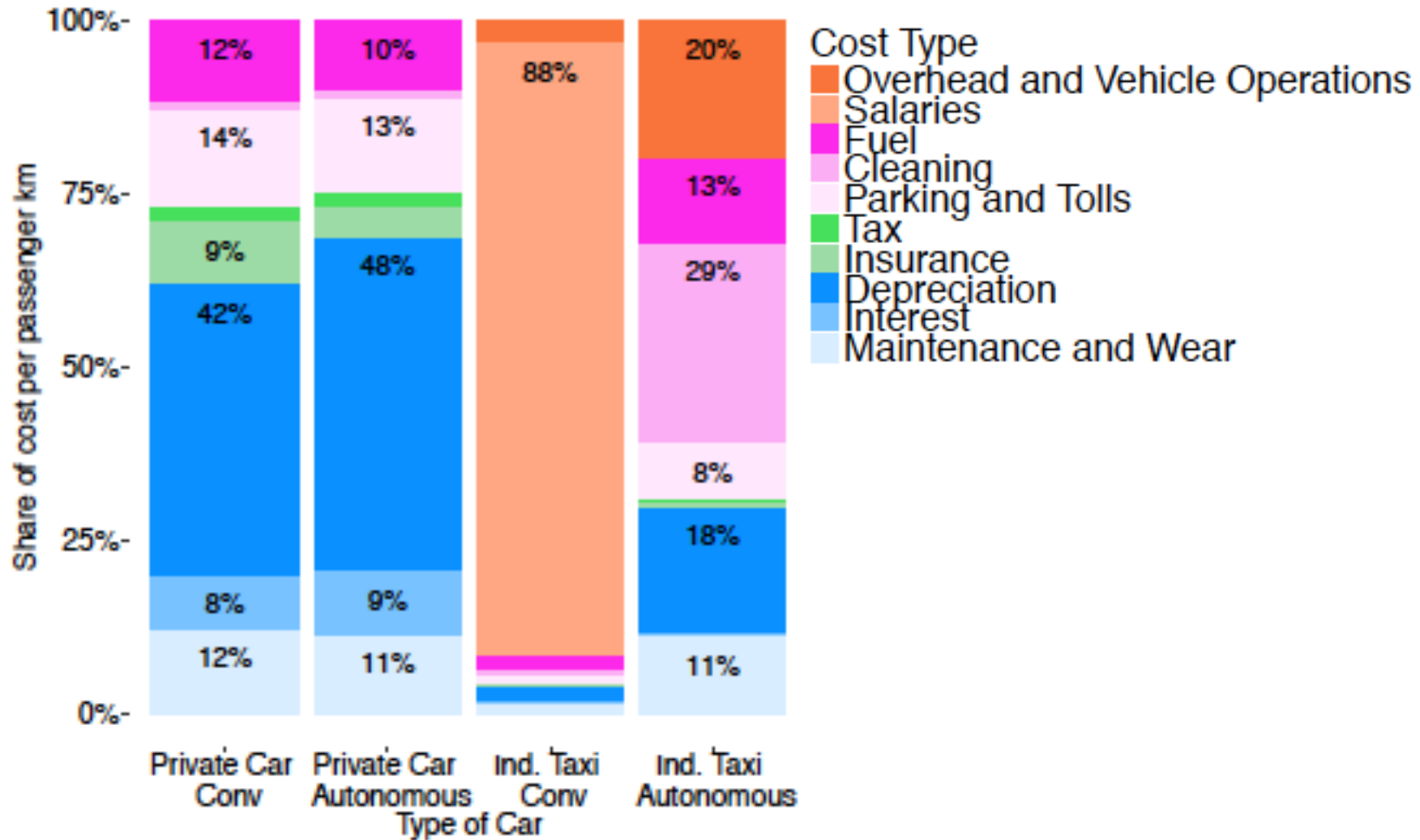
Changed network capacities?

Capacity effects at the network level: MFD before/after

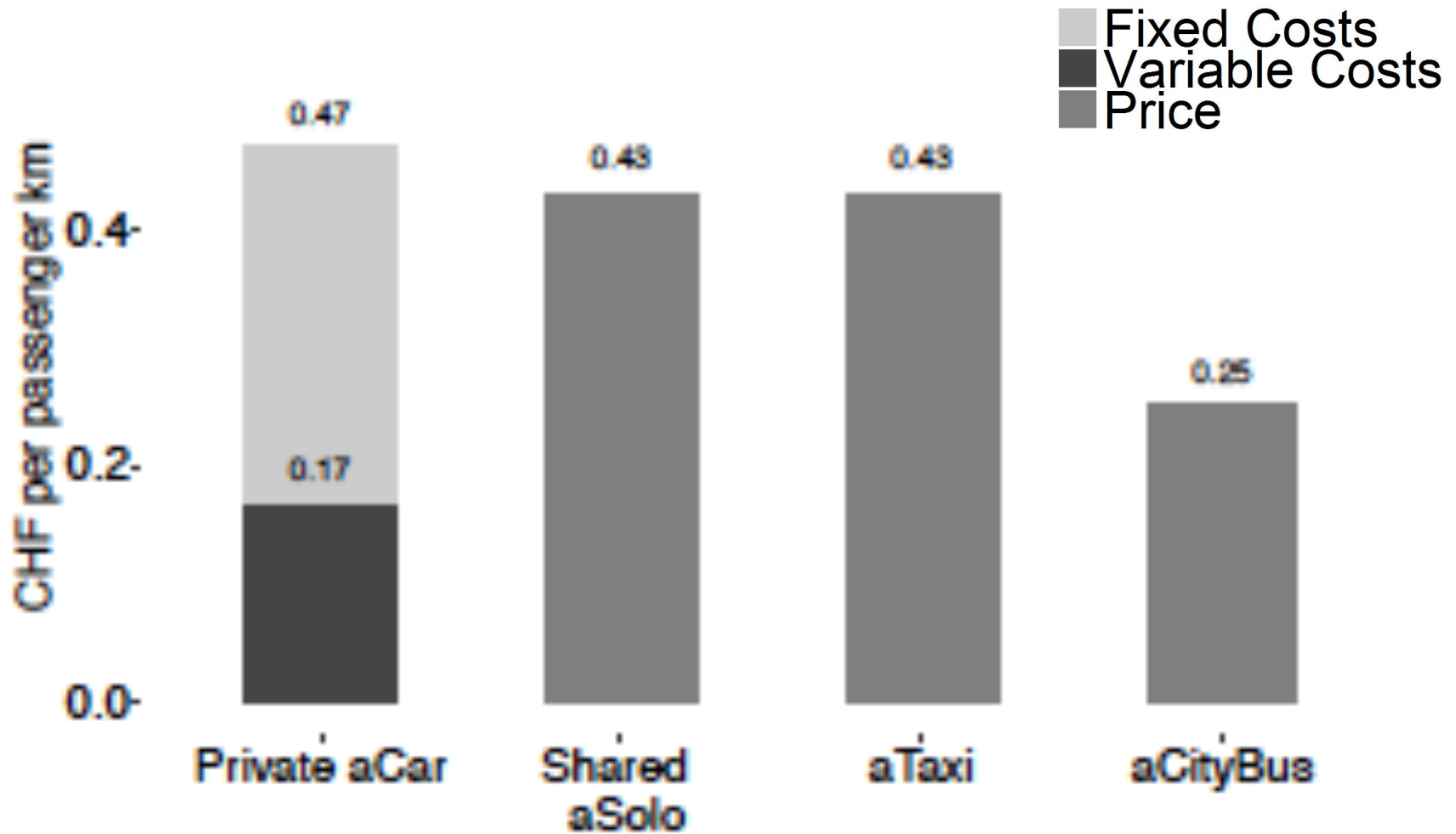


A forecast of the full costs of AVs

Updated full cost/pkm estimate (current occupancy levels)



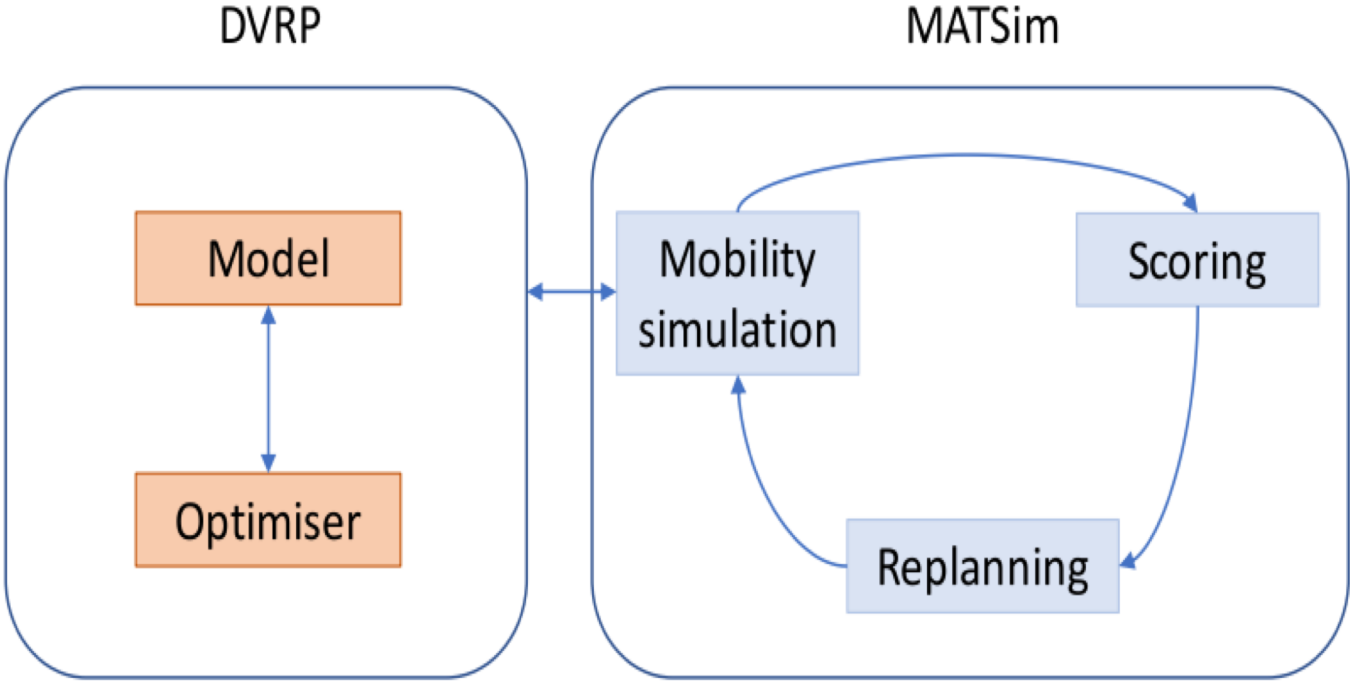
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What impact would the AV taxis have?

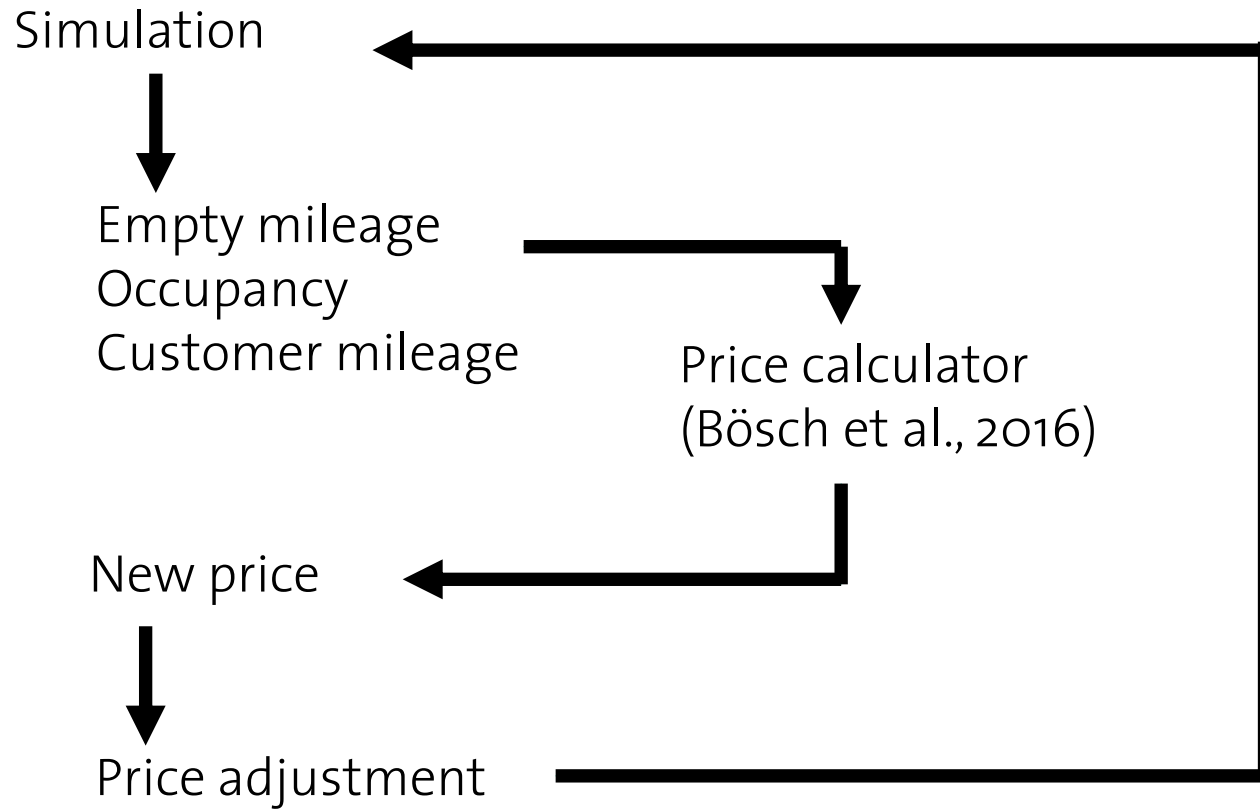
MATSim: An open-source agent based simulation

Simulation Framework: DVRP extension



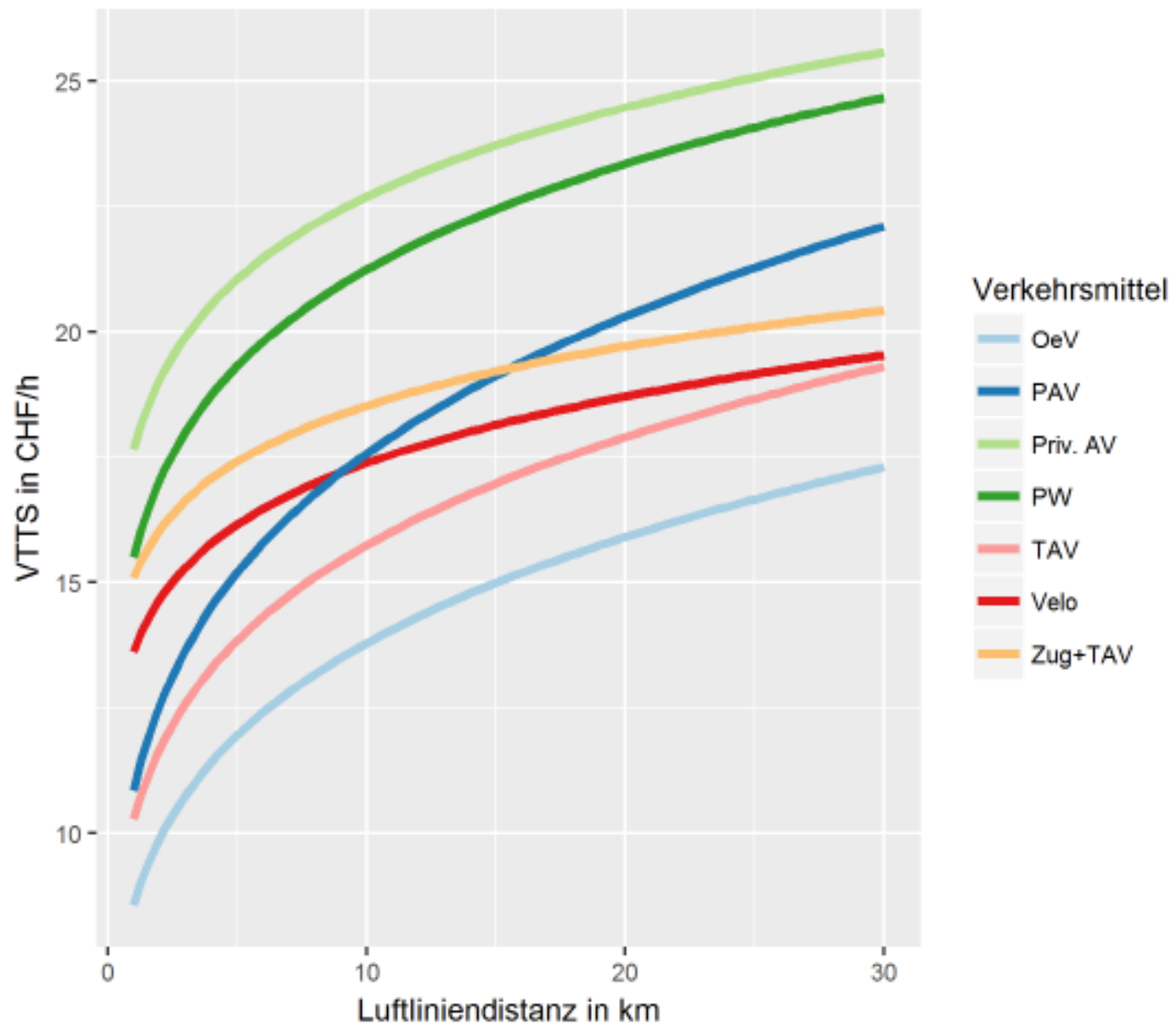
Zürich AV scenarios

aTaxi price and fleet size determination

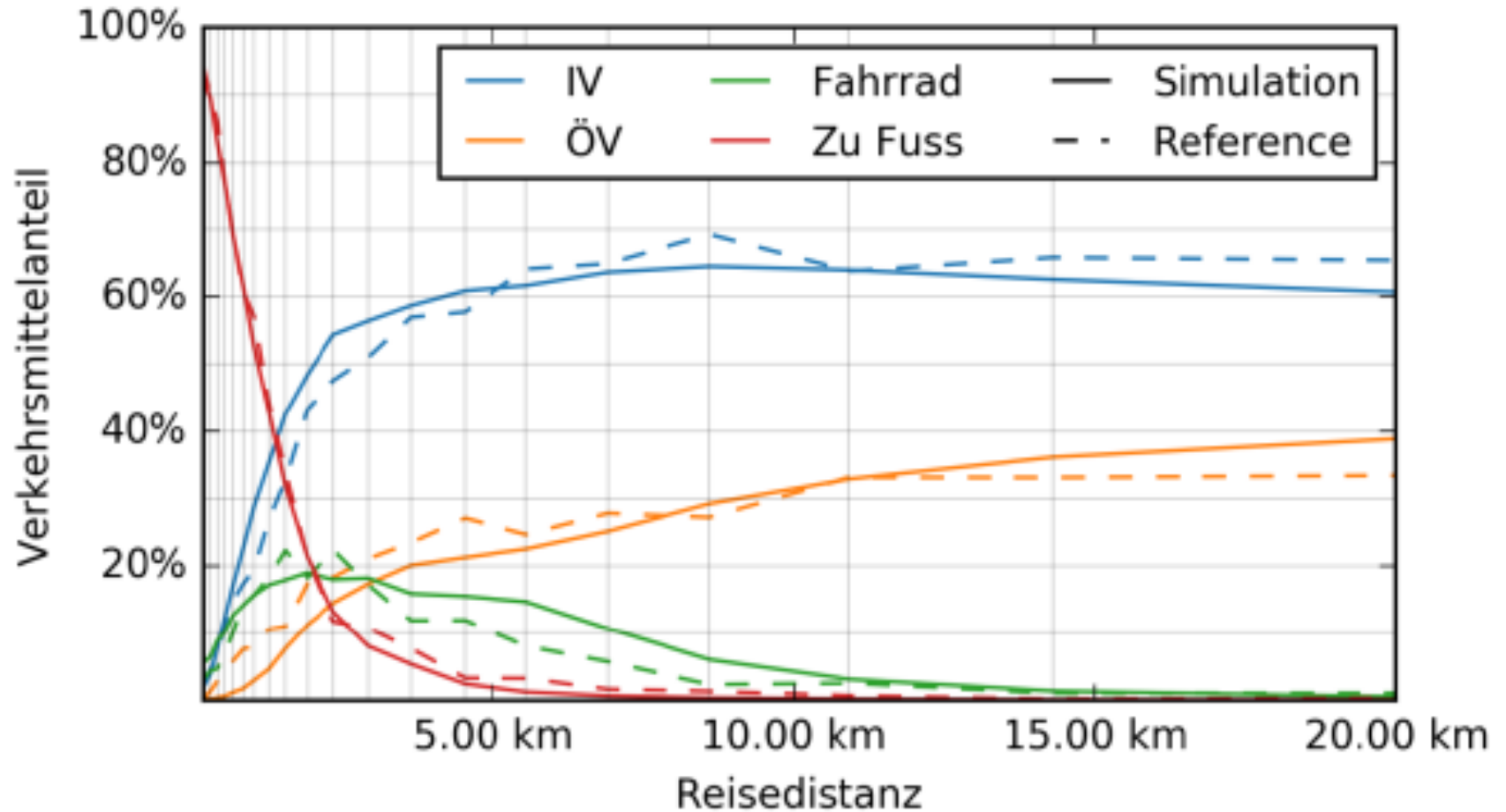


SC-based mode choice model

VOT by mode

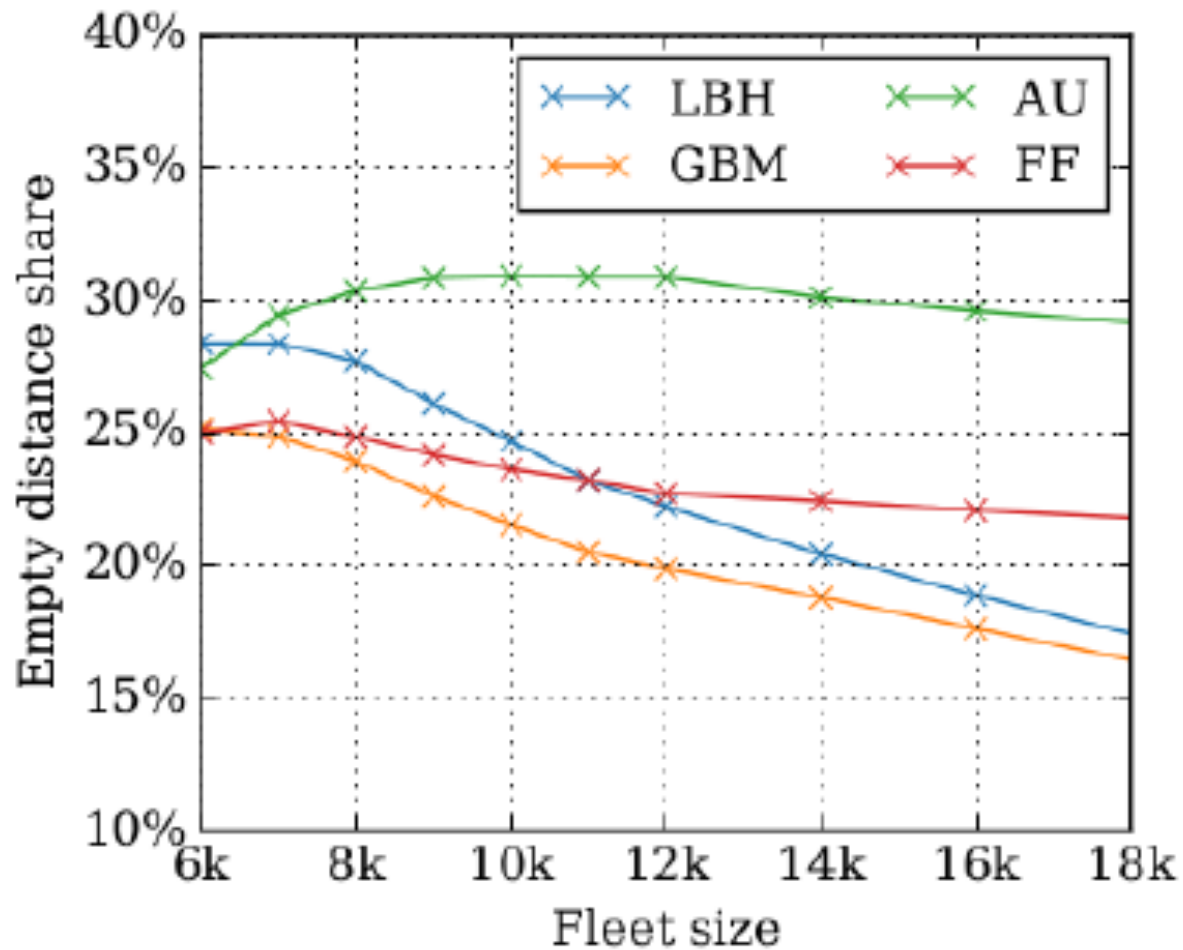


Calibration of the base scenario: Mode by distance



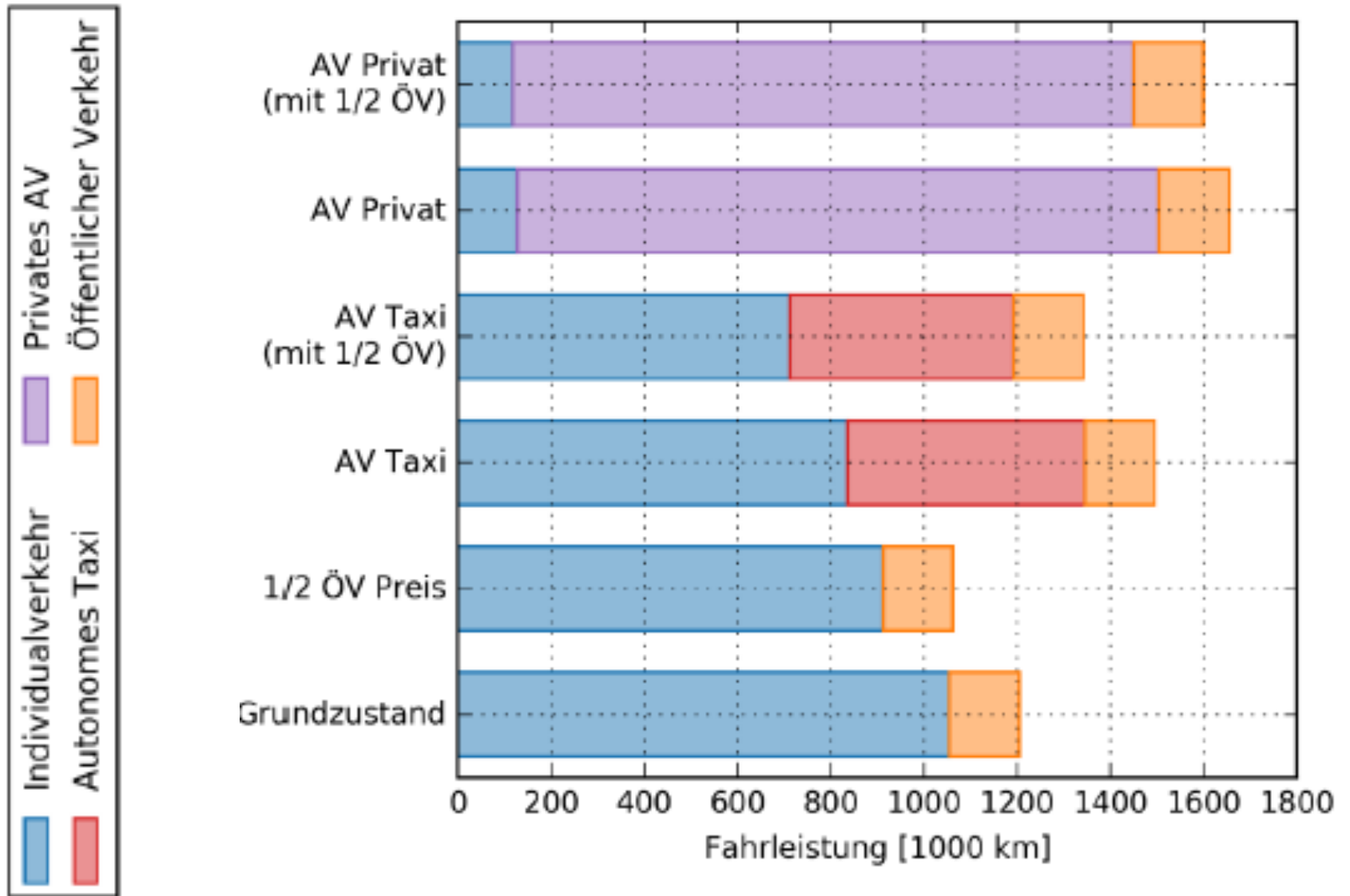
Fleet size determination

AV dispatch – Empty mileage for 4 algorithms

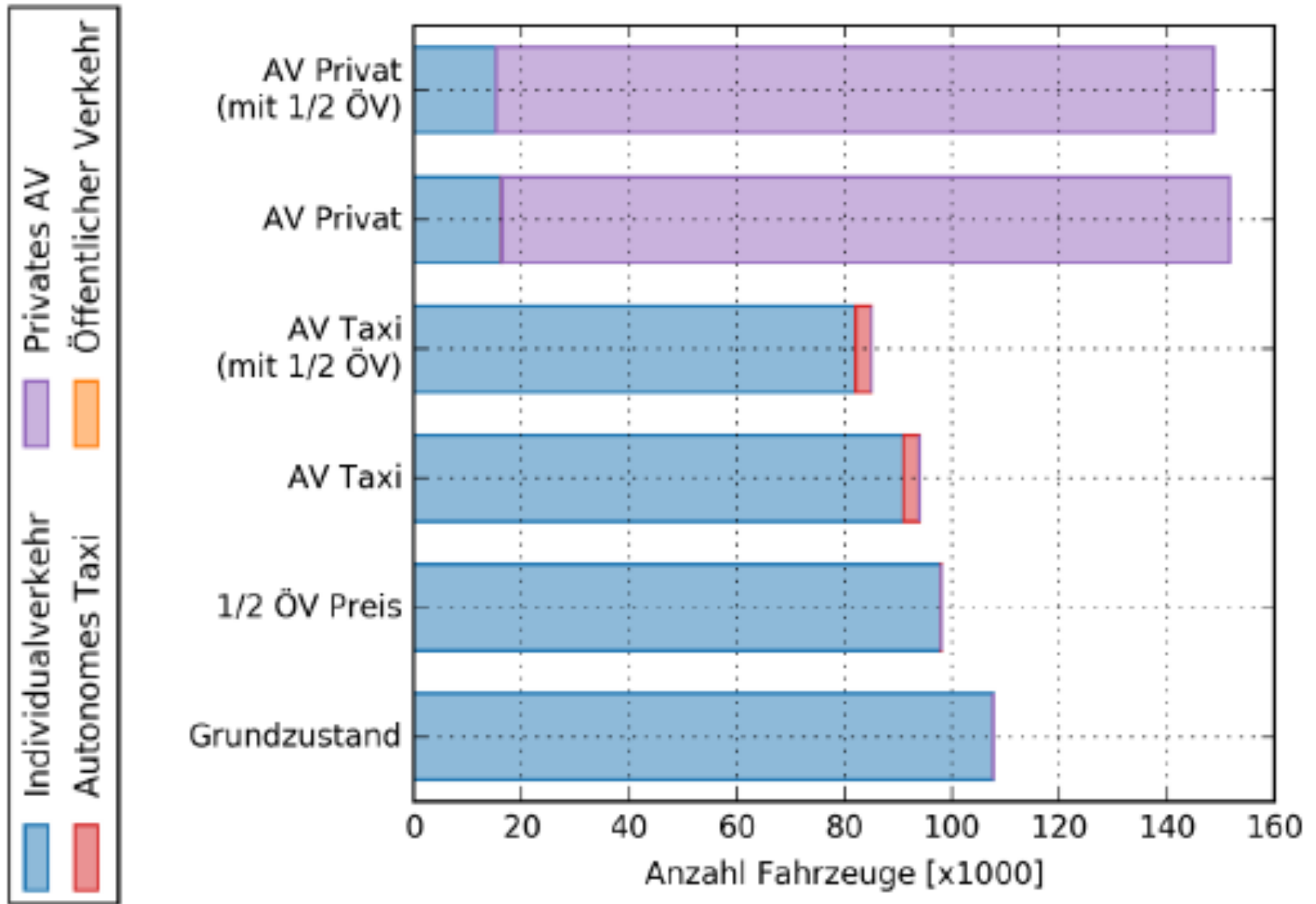


What happens in the city?

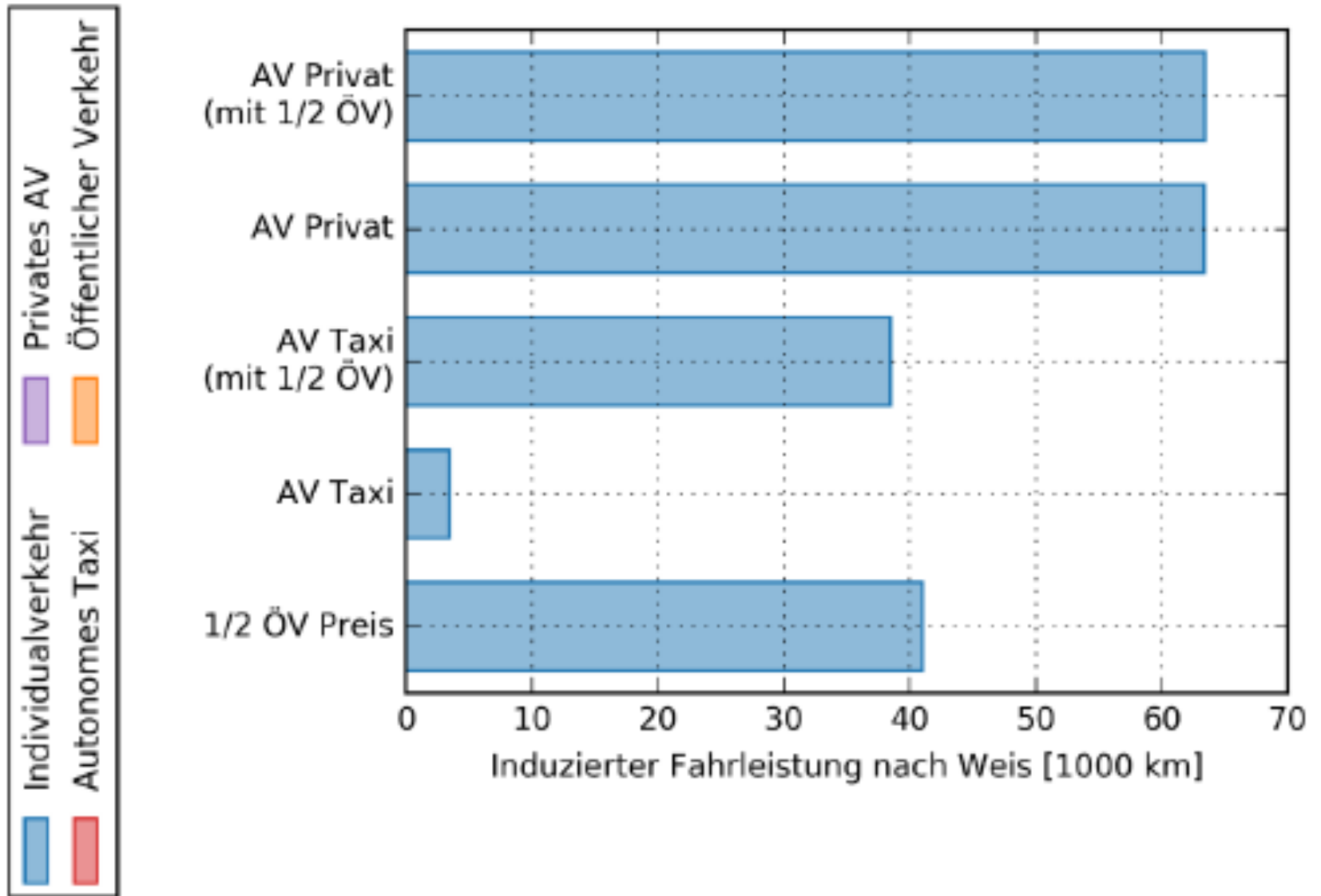
Results – city only: VKT



Results city only: Number of vehicles



Results city only: Induced VKT



What should we do next?

Next steps on AVs

- More work on acceptance of AV
 - By age and education
 - By location of residence
- More work on future cost/prices by type of operator
- More work on the efficiency of the fleets (empty kilometres, parking, drop off/pick up, rebalancing, dispatch)
- More work on how to achieve system optimum with fleet operators
- More work on future 'public transport' ?

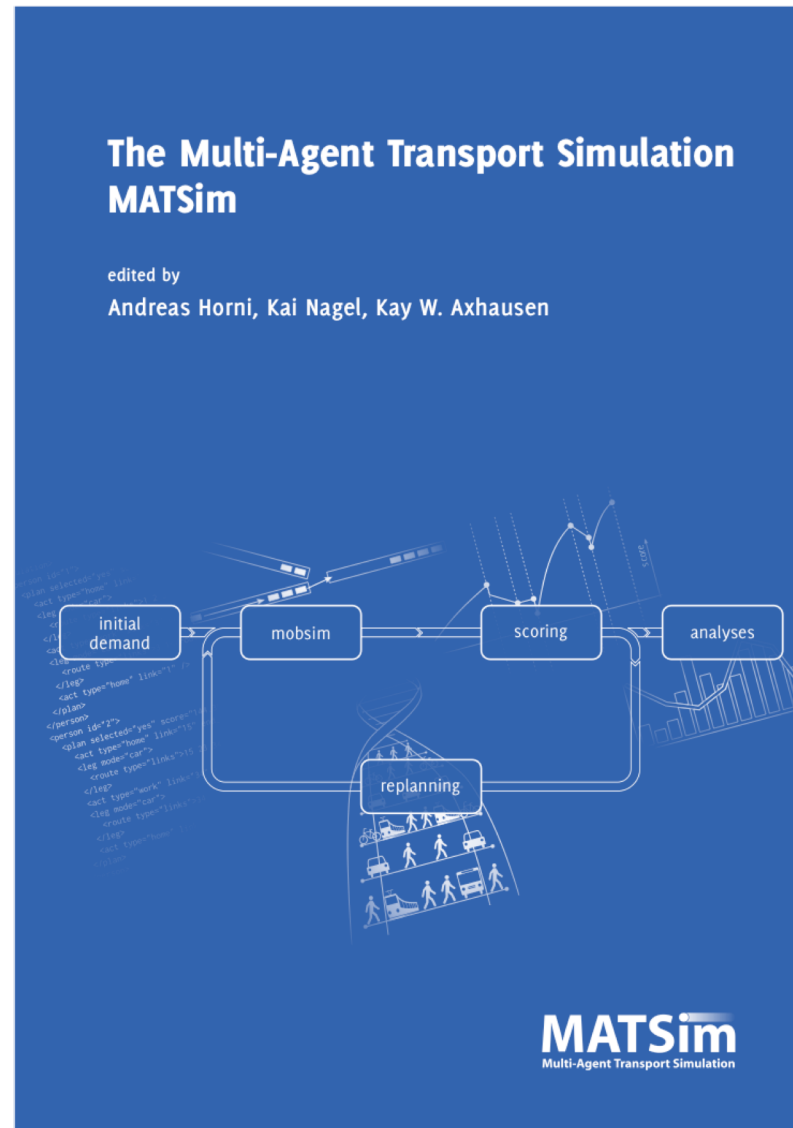
Next steps on the basic dilemma

- More work on acceptance of pricing
 - By income and “perspective”
 - By location of residence
- More work on the productivity elasticities
- More work on the impact of automation on urban form (e-commerce) and productivity
- More work on the structure of electric AV fleets to cope with long distance travel

Necessary public choices

- Full cost of transport allocated to the users or rationierung of PKm/TKm per «tradable permits»
 - Tolls
 - Dynamic congestion pricing
 - Dynamic parking pricing
 - Dynamic public transport pricing
- CO₂ tax
- Flexible working hours and labour regimes
- More intense «lived» land use
- Locally funded AV fleets, e.g. VBZ 4.0

Questions ?



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Appendix

Spatial error model: Part 2

	2000		2005		2010	
Y: Ln mean salary	Estimate	Sig.	Estimate	Sig.	Estimate	Sig.
Men	0.17	***	0.07	***	0.13	***
Tertiary education	0.83	***	0.66	***	0.54	***
Professional training	0.55	***	0.22	***	0.32	***
Further vocational training	0.23	***	0.17	***	0.23	***
Teaching degree	0.20	**	0.21	***	0.32	***
Highschool diploma	0.60	***	0.18	*	0.26	**
Vocational training	0.07	***	0.03	.	0.02	
Positions with highest demands	0.42	***	0.39	***	0.41	***
Positions with qualified indep. work	0.20	***	0.25	***	0.25	***
Positions with professional skills	0.14	***	0.20	***	0.14	***
Working (3rd sector)	0.21	***	0.15	***	0.06	.
Working (other private sector)	-0.10	***	-0.10	***	-0.06	***
Working (manufacturing)	-0.23	***	-0.25	***	-0.11	***
Working (FIRE)	0.15	***	0.01		0.09	***
Working (hotel, restaurants)	-0.13	***	-0.13	***	-0.11	***

Model formulation 1/2

Choice environment

Case	Choice	Probability
1	None	$P_1 = \Phi_2(-x_1\beta_1; -x_2\beta_2; \mathbf{P}_2)$
2	Car & no ticket	$P_2 = \Phi_2(-x_1\beta_1; x_2\beta_2; \mathbf{P}_2)$
3	Car & local ticket	$P_3 = \Phi_3(x_1\beta_1; x_2\beta_2 - x_3\beta_3; \mathbf{P}_3)$
4	Car & GA	$P_4 = \Phi_3(x_1\beta_1; x_2\beta_2; x_3\beta_3; \mathbf{P}_3)$
5	No car & local ticket	$P_4 = \Phi_3(x_1\beta_1; -x_2\beta_2; -x_3\beta_3; \mathbf{P}_3)$
6	No car & GA	$P_5 = \Phi_3(x_1\beta_1; -x_2\beta_2; x_3\beta_3; \mathbf{P}_3)$

Likelihood function

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \delta \iiint_{x_{low}}^{x_{up}} \phi_3(\beta_1\hat{x}_1, \beta_2\hat{x}_2, \beta_3\hat{x}_3; \mathbf{P}_3) d\hat{\mathbf{x}} + (1 - \delta) \iint_{x_{low}}^{x_{up}} \phi_2(\beta_1\hat{x}_1, \beta_2\hat{x}_2; \mathbf{P}_2) d\hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

Estimation method:

- Maximum simulated likelihood in Stata using Newton Raphson technique
- Using draws to compute the integral

Model formulation 2/2

- δ Sample selection dummy, equal to 1 if observation holds season ticket
- Φ_n N-dimensional cumulative distribution function of the normal distribution
- ϕ_n N-dimensional probability density function of the normal distribution
- β Parameters of the model
- Σ Symmetric correlation matrix with typical elements ρ_{ij} and $\rho_{ii} = 1$. The same correlations appear in both Σ_2 and Σ_3 by using their Cholesky decomposition and estimating the Cholesky factors in the model
- α Parameter vector to be estimated that contains all β and Cholesky factors of Σ
- $\mathbf{x}_{\text{up,low}}$ Upper and lower limits of integration domain, determined by values of each observation

Switzerland: Ownership models (1/2)

	Season- ticket owner		Car available	
Age	-0.059	***	0.099	***
Age squared	0.052	***	-0.088	***
Male	-0.132	***	0.439	***
Working	0.066	***	0.258	***
University level education	0.146	***	-0.054	**
Log of monthly household income	0.075	***	0.391	***
Center of agglomeration	0.132	***	-0.22	***
Constant	0.052		-6.039	***

Switzerland: Ownership models (2/2)

	Season- ticket owner		Car available	
Local access to public transport: E	-0.474	***	0.505	***
Local access to public transport: D	-0.348	***	0.384	***
Local access to public transport: C	-0.253	***	0.286	***
Local access to public transport: B	-0.097	***	0.154	***
General accessibility	0.089	***	-0.028	***
Surplus public transport acc.	-0.005	***	-0.066	***
Surplus workplace accessibility	0.729	***	-0.527	***

Switzerland: GA given season ticket (2/2)

	General abonnement	
Secondary residence	0.302	***
Log of monthly household income	0.128	***
Self-reported distance [1000km]	0.005	***
Constant	-2.188	***

Error correlations		
	Car available	GA
Season ticket	-0.44	0.62
Car available		-0.24