

Autonomous and Connected Transportation Systems Modeling, Control, and Deployment

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3. **Share insights** from early deployments and turn such insights into an **actionable research roadmap**

Agenda - Morning

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|-------------|---------------------|---|
| 09:00-09:30 | Mauro Salazar | Introduction Autonomous Mobility-on-Demand for Future Urban Mobility |
| 09:30-10:00 | Krishna Selvam | Ride-sharing Marketplace: Designing from Efficiency |
| 10:00-10:30 | Coffee Break | |
| 10:30-11:00 | Francesco Ciari | Planning Shared Automated Vehicle Fleets: Specific Modeling Requirements and Concepts to Address Them |
| 11:00-11:30 | Raphael Stern | Controlling Mixed Human and Autonomous Traffic |
| 11:30-12:00 | Salomon Wollenstein | How Many Smart Cars Does It Take to Make a Smart Traffic Network? |
| 12:00-14:00 | Lunch Break | |

Agenda - Afternoon

13:30-14:00 Michael Levin Maximum-stability Dispatch Policy for Shared Autonomous Vehicles

14:00-14:30 Michal Čáp Understanding the Fundamental Trade-offs in Large-scale Mobility-on-demand Systems

14:30-15:00 Javier Alonso-Mora Predictive Routing and Multi-objective Fleet Sizing for Shared Mobility-on-demand

15:00-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-16:00 Emilio Frazzoli Autonomous Mobility-on-Demand: What is Known and What is Not Known

16:00-16:30 Feedback and Discussion on Future Directions



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Autonomous Mobility-on-Demand for Future Urban Mobility

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Challenges



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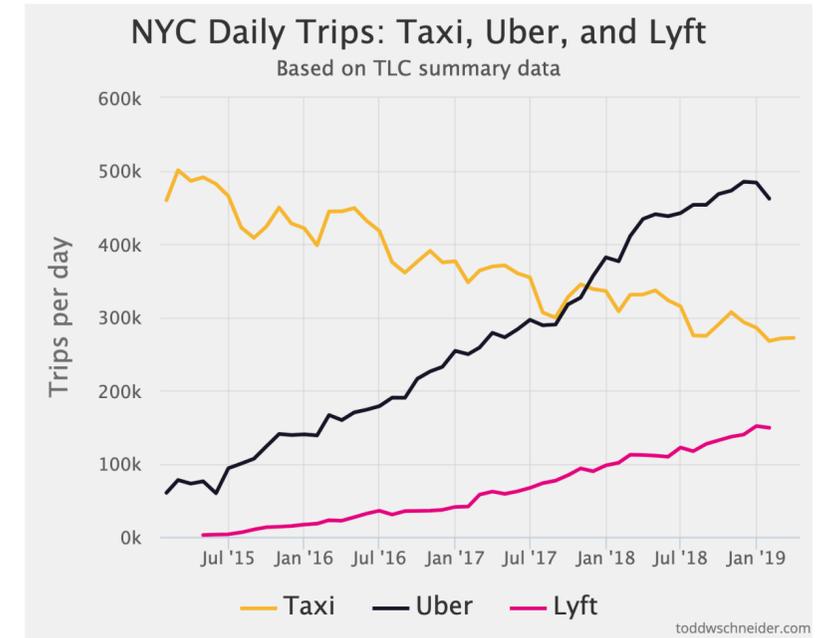


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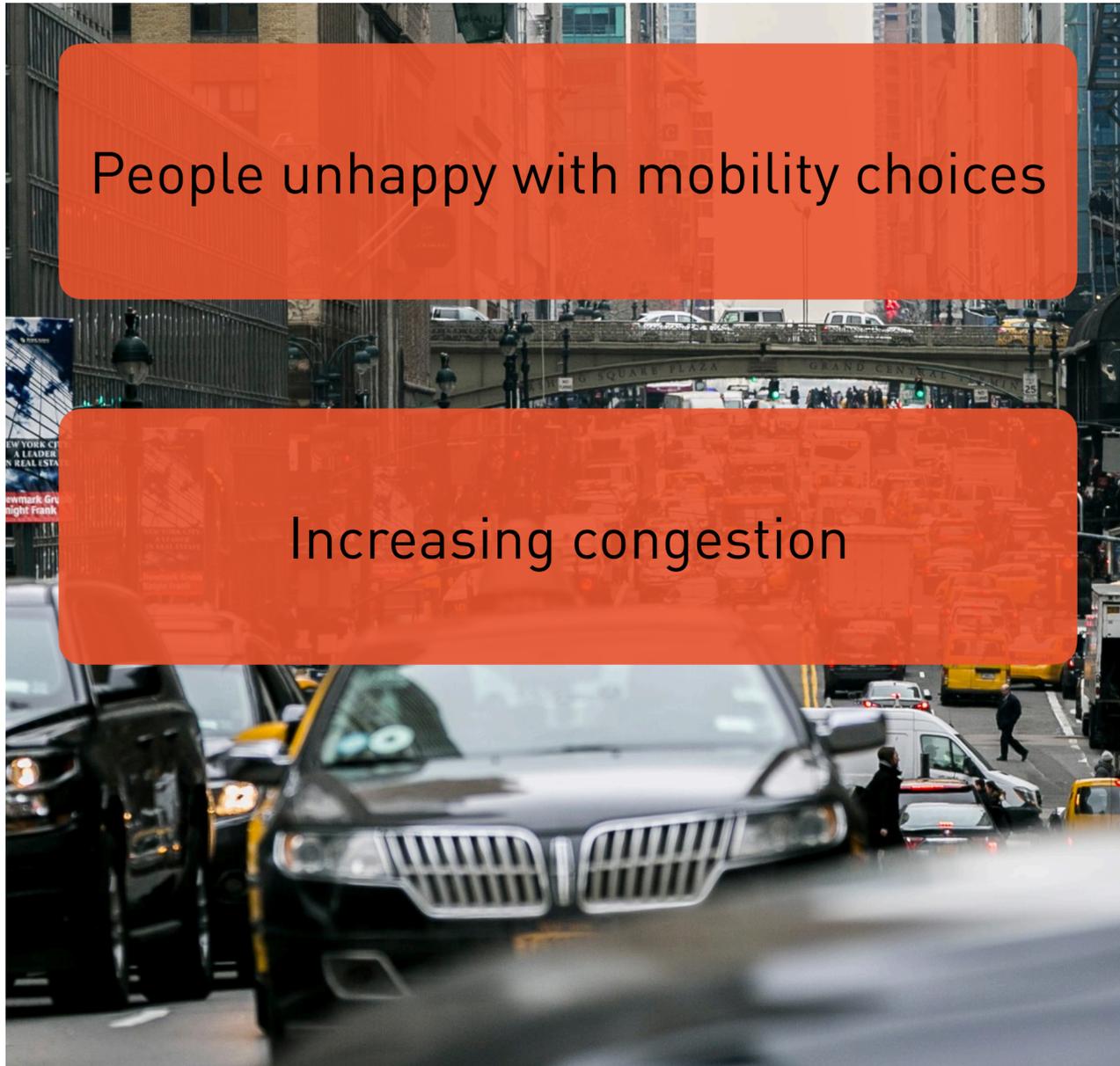
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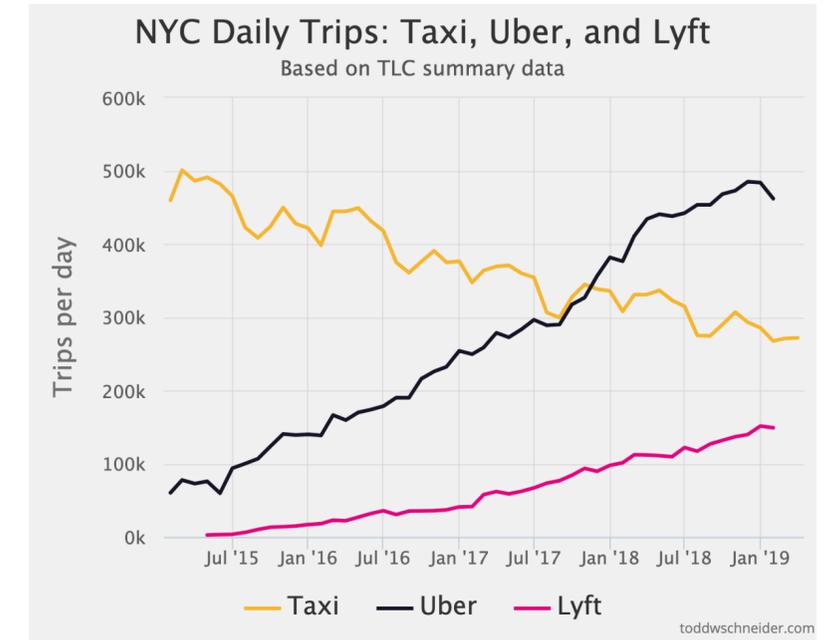


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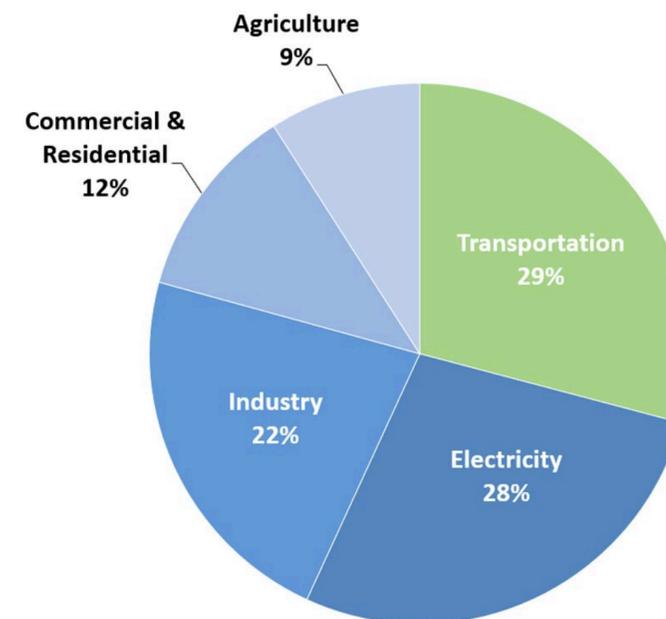
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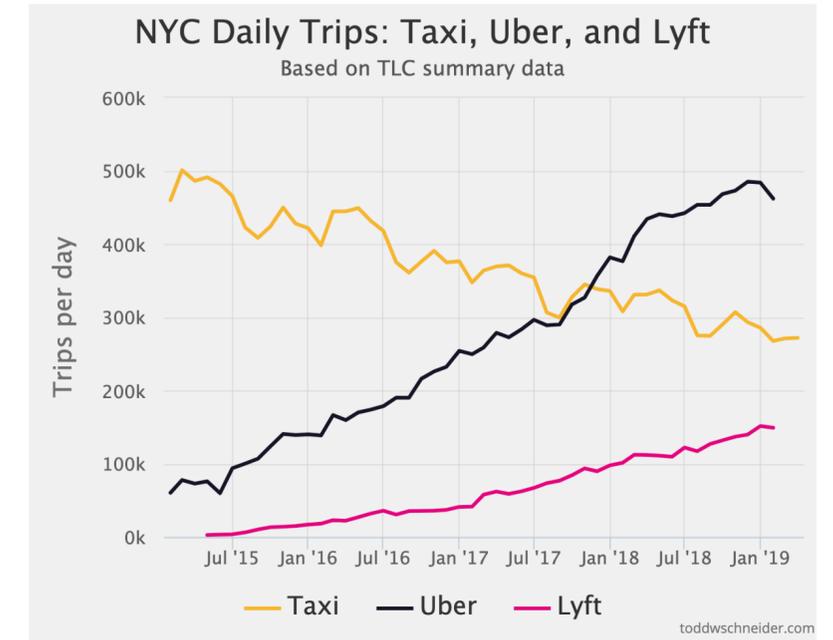
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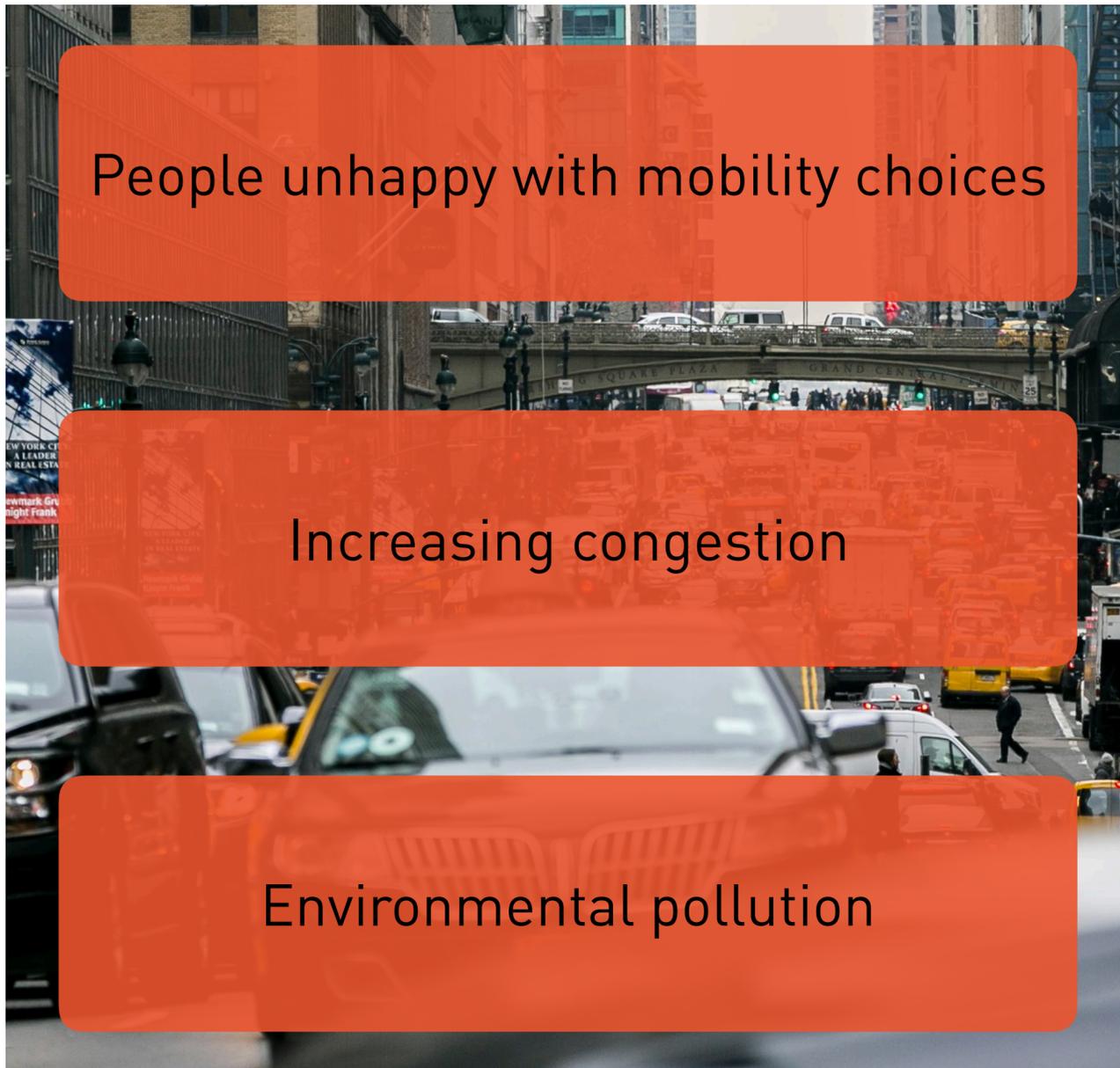
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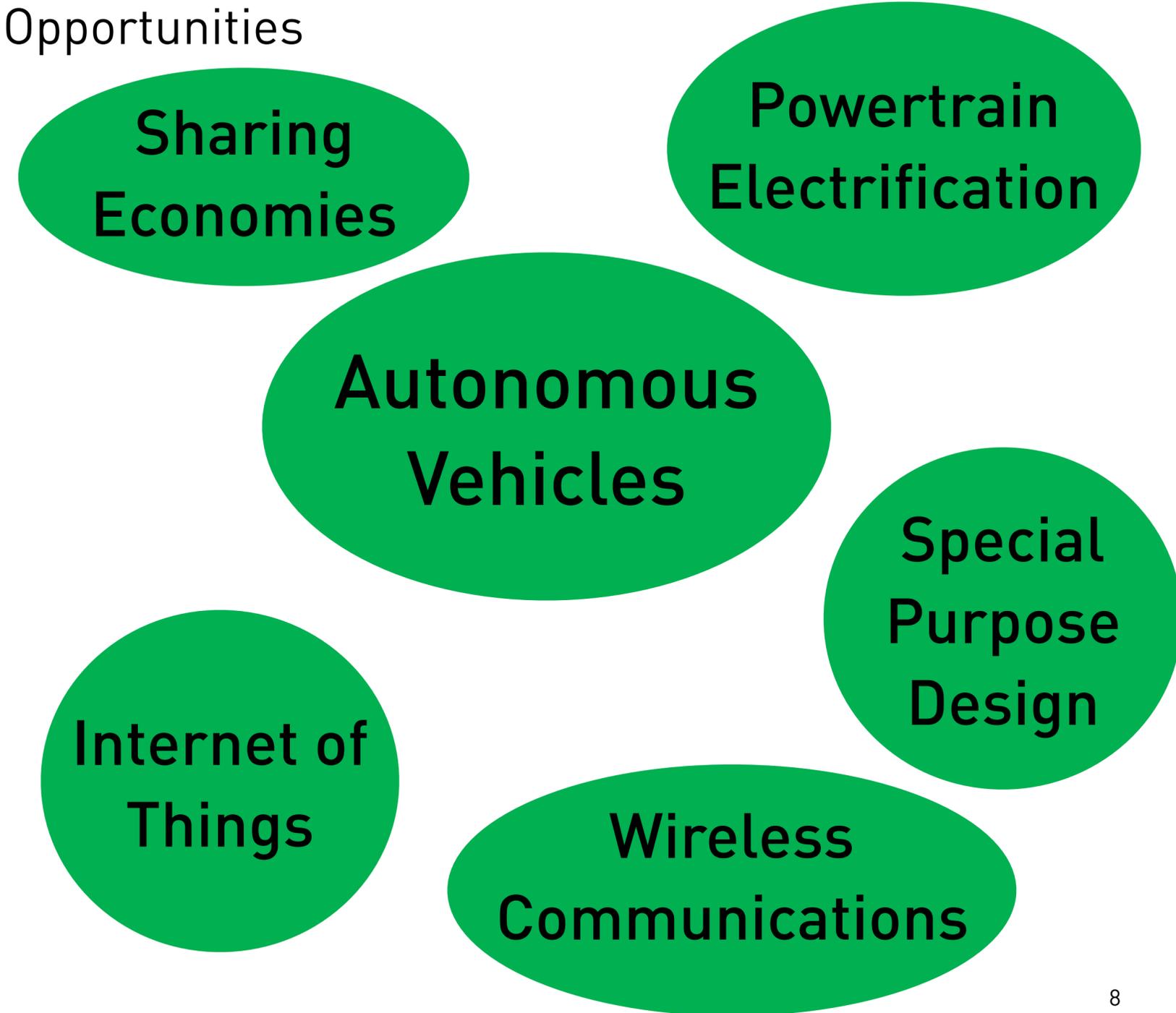
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Opportunities

Sharing Economies

Powertrain Electrification

Autonomous Vehicles

Special Purpose Design

Internet of Things

Wireless Communications

How can we fit all these opportunities together to address nowadays and future mobility issues?

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Vehicle Autonomy



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Need **algorithmic tools** to **design and operate** future mobility systems

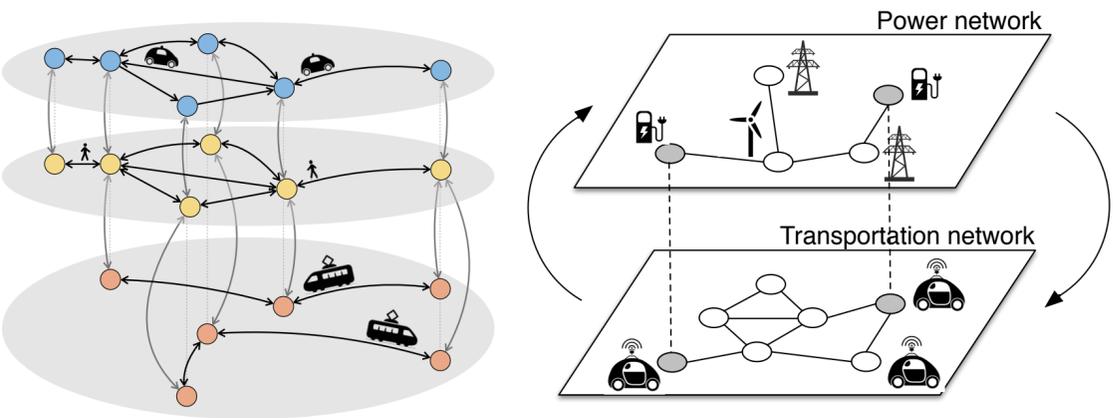
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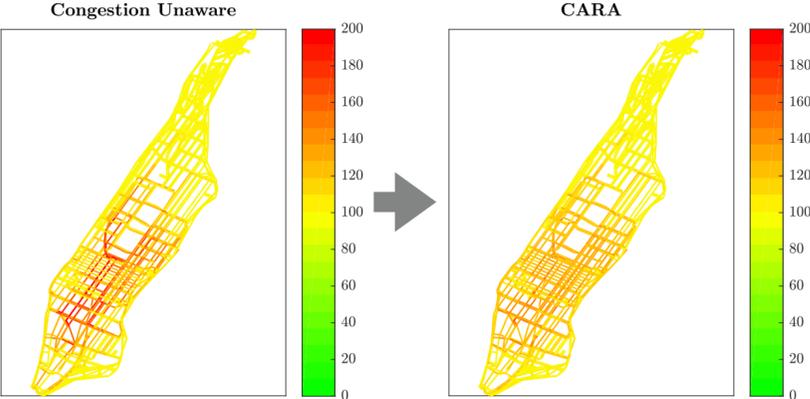
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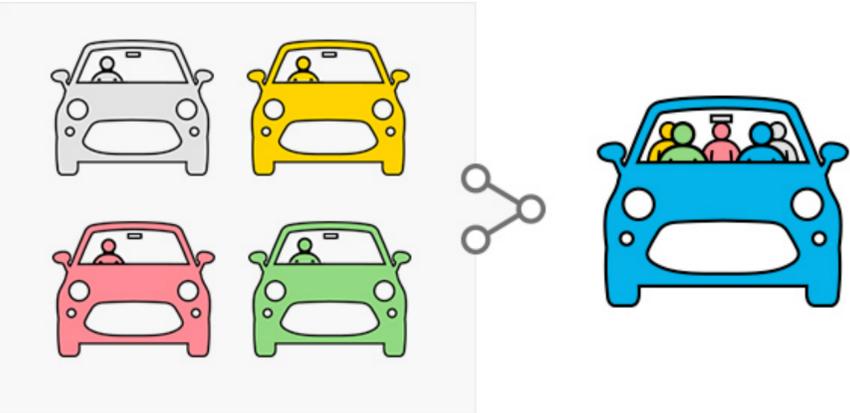
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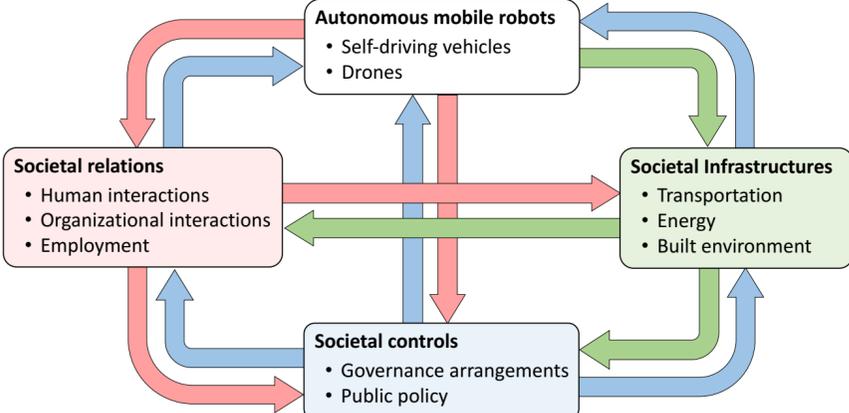
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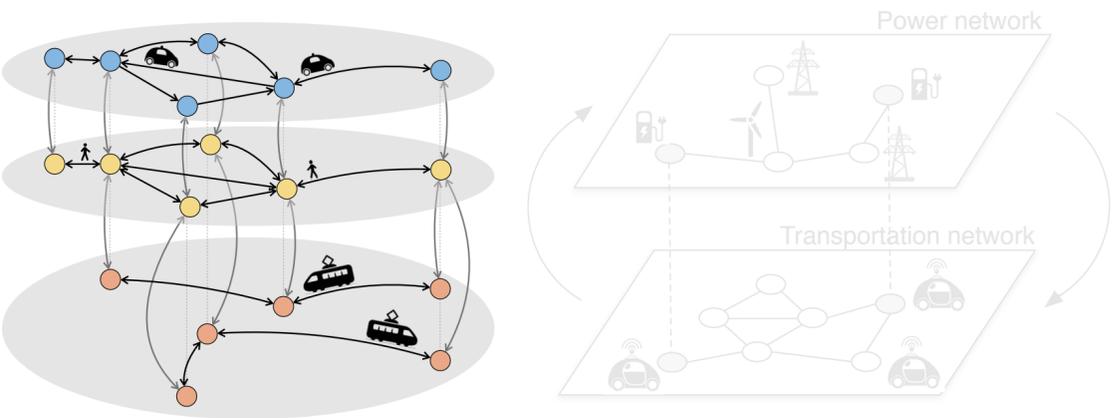
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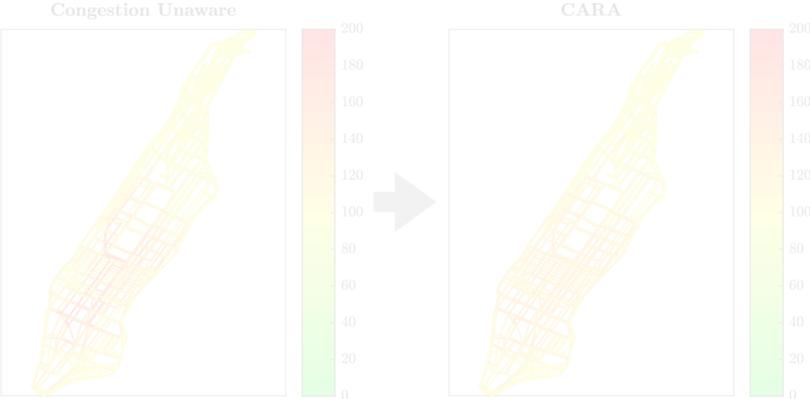
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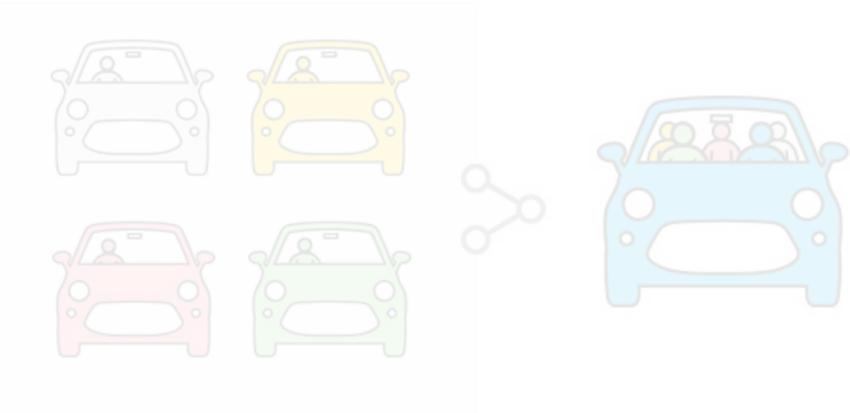
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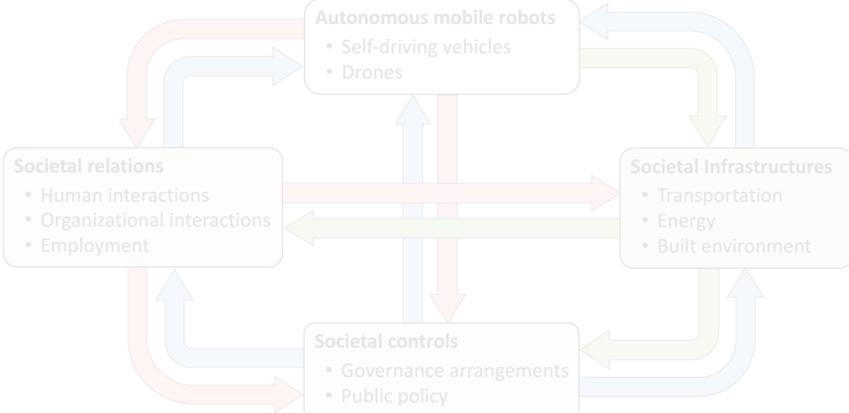
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Congestion Pricing

News about Congestion Pricing, including commentary and archival articles published in The New York Times.

Latest Search

Jan. 16, 2018

Cuomo's Congestion Pricing for New York City Begins to Take Shape

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Congestion Plan for Manhattan Gets Mixed Reviews

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In Protests, a Hint of the Fight to Come Over Congestion Pricing

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LETTER

Mobility Is a Mess in New York

March 31, 2018

Congestion Pricing Falters in New York, Again

April 9, 2018

Congestion Pricing Plan for Manhattan Ran Into Politics. Politics Won.

July 20, 2018

Pave Over the Subway? Cities Face Tough Bets on Driverless Cars

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Optimal Operation of Intermodal AMoD Systems

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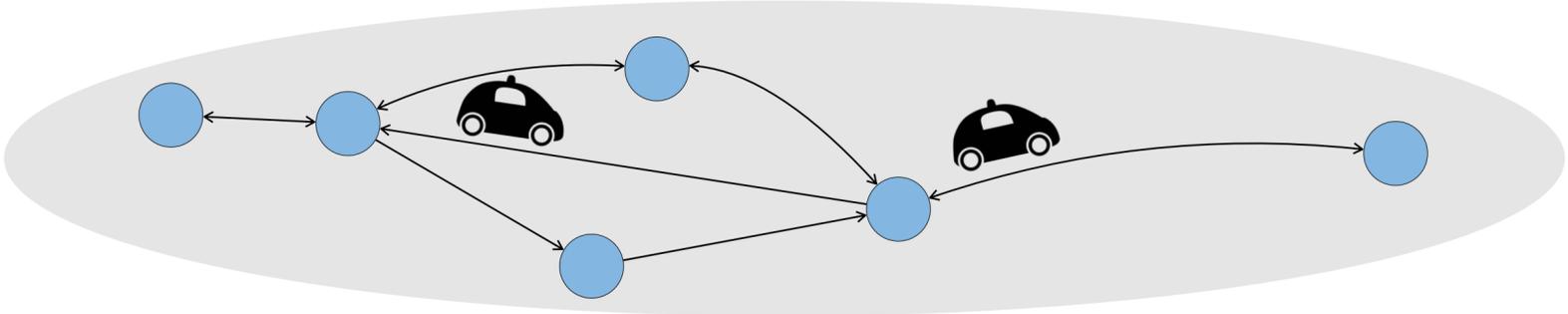


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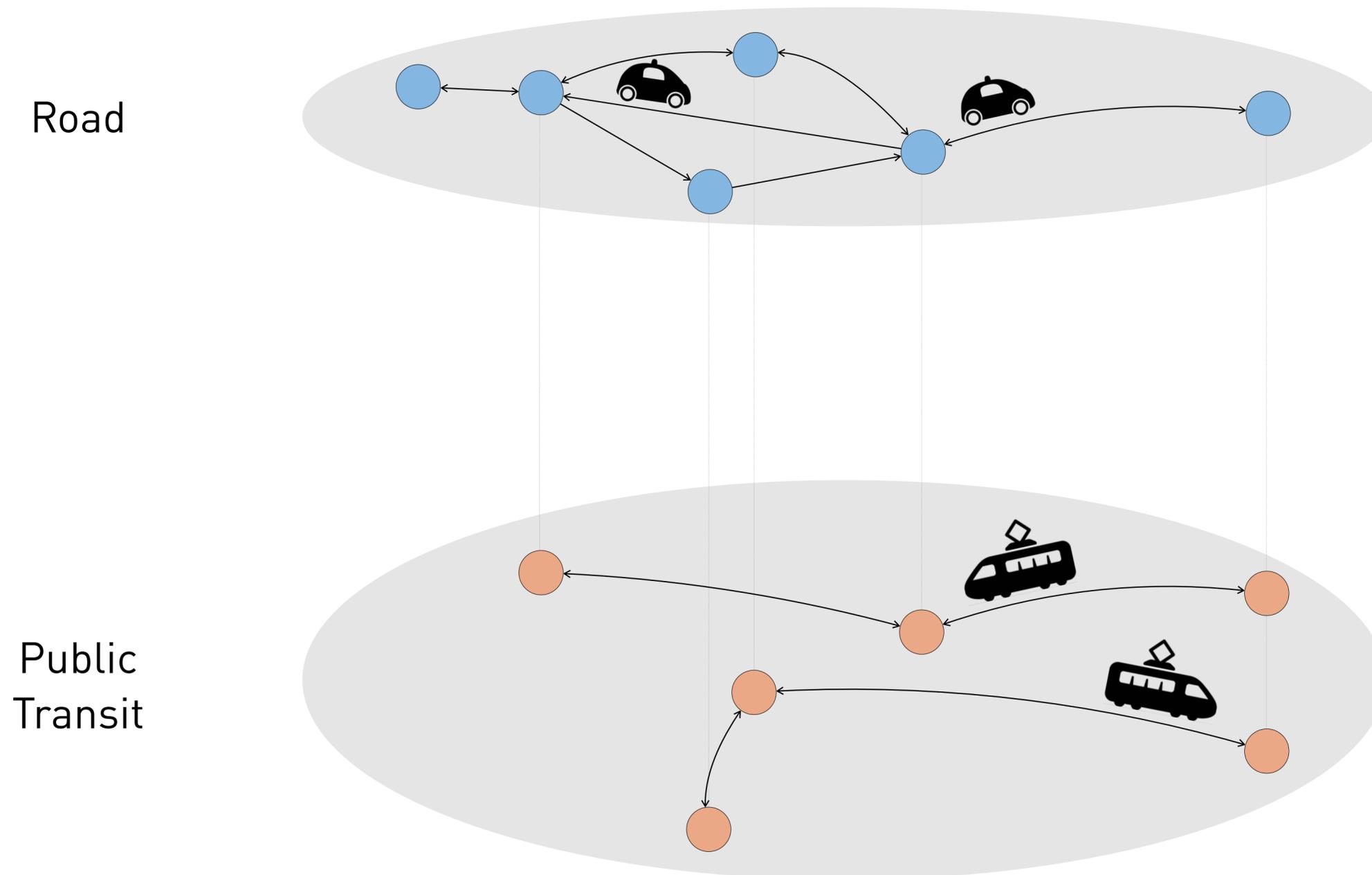


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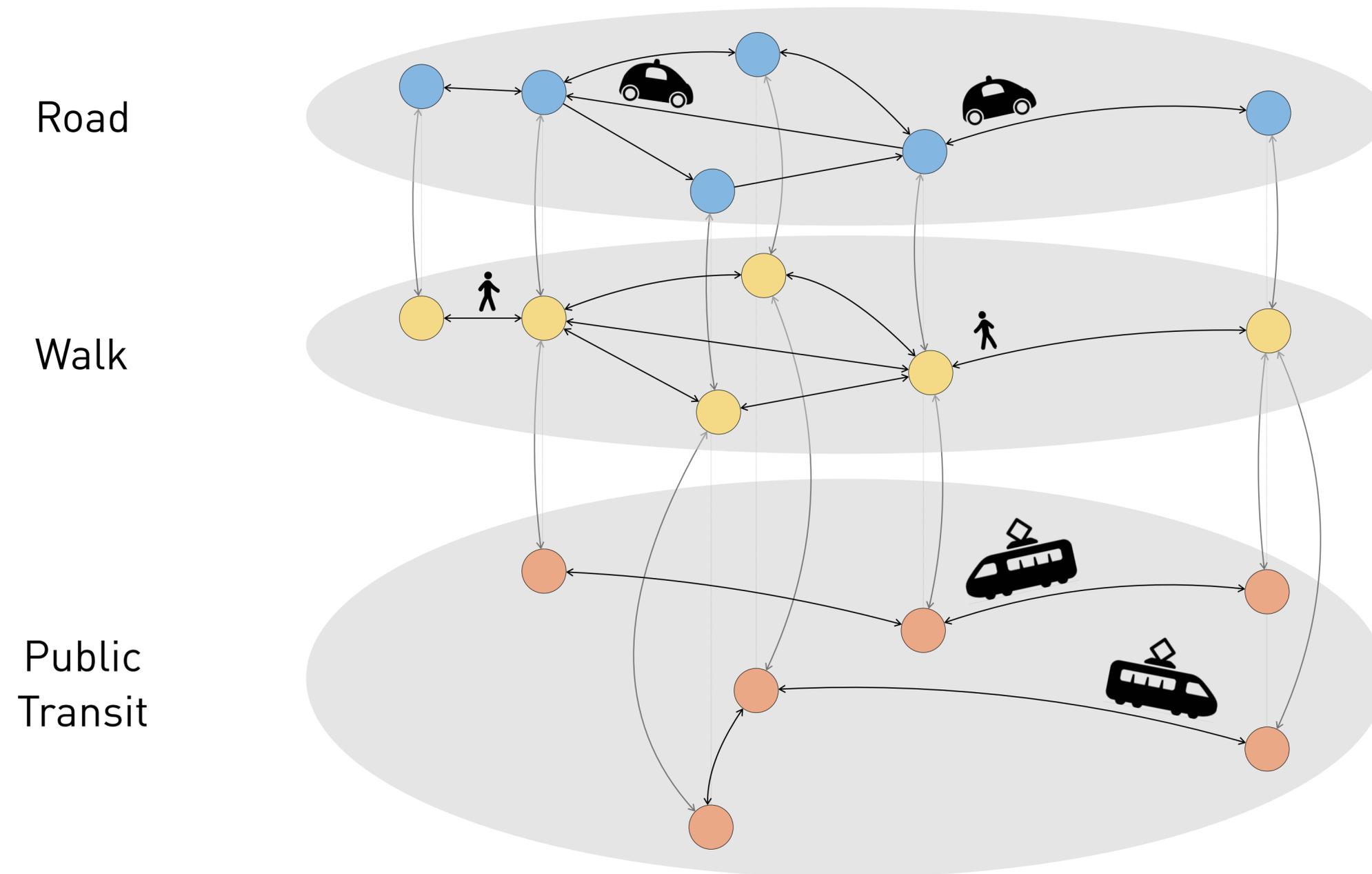
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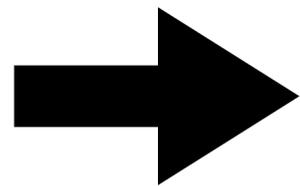
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- No stochasticity
- Continuum approximation
- One passenger per car



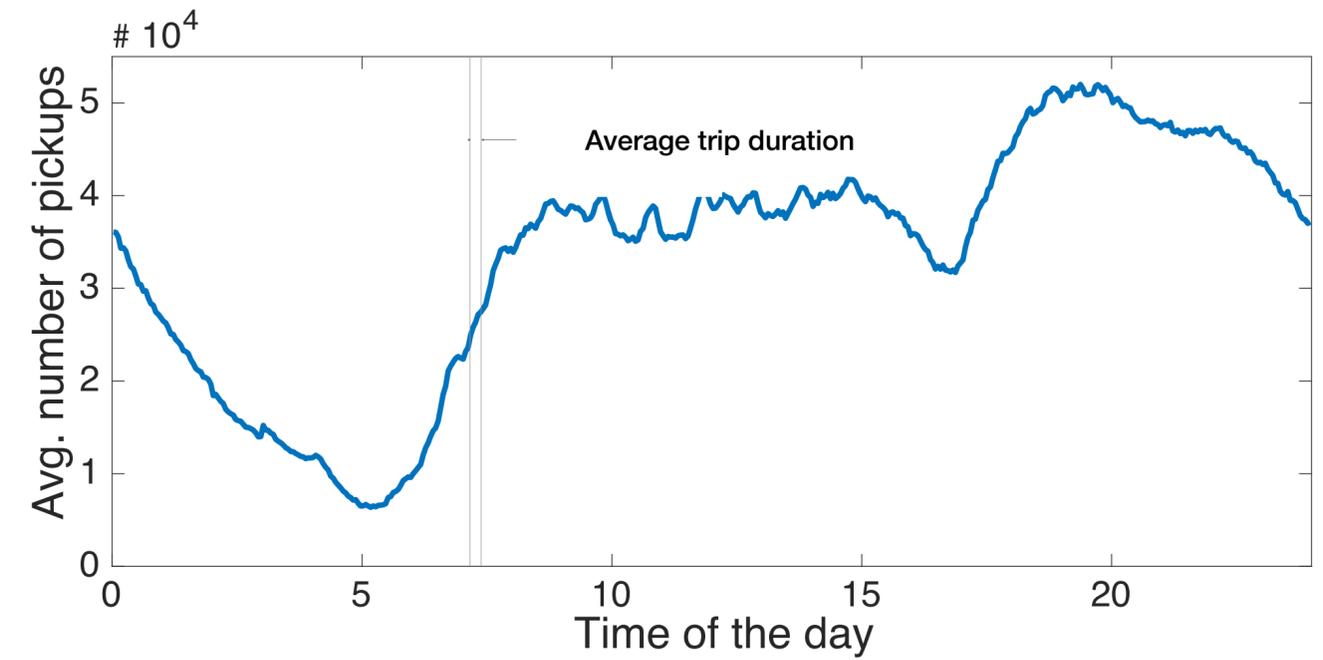
Stochastic process in expectation [Iglesias et al. 2018]

Flow decomposition and sampling

In line with current trends

Network Flow Model - Assumptions

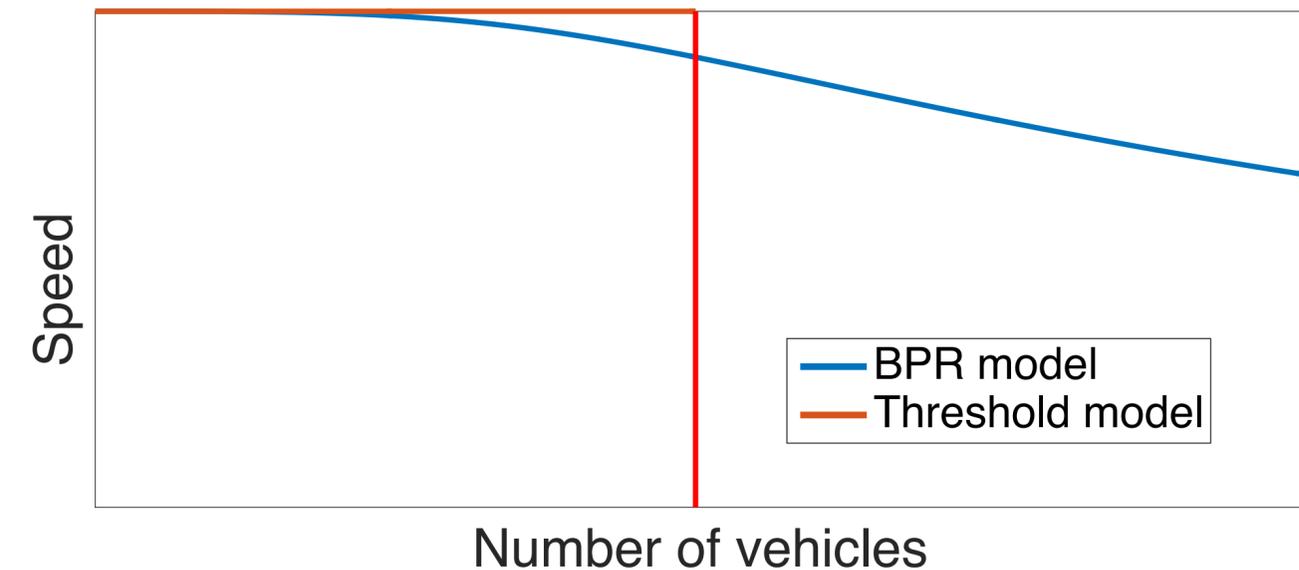
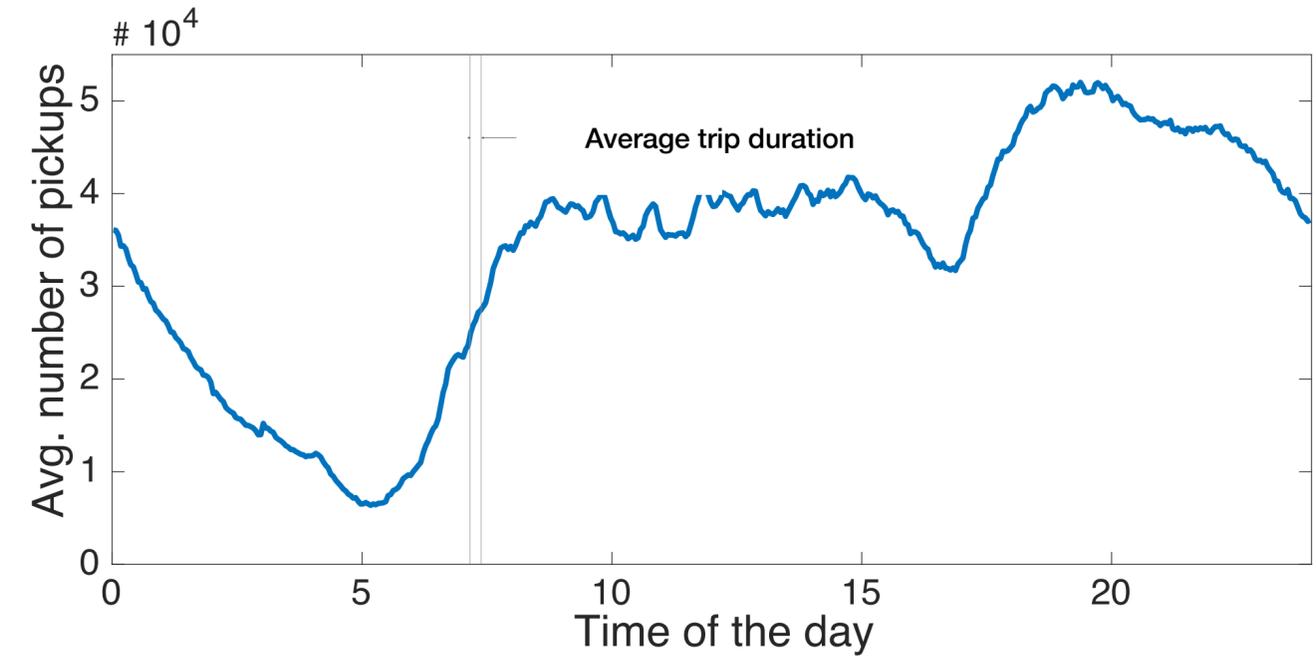
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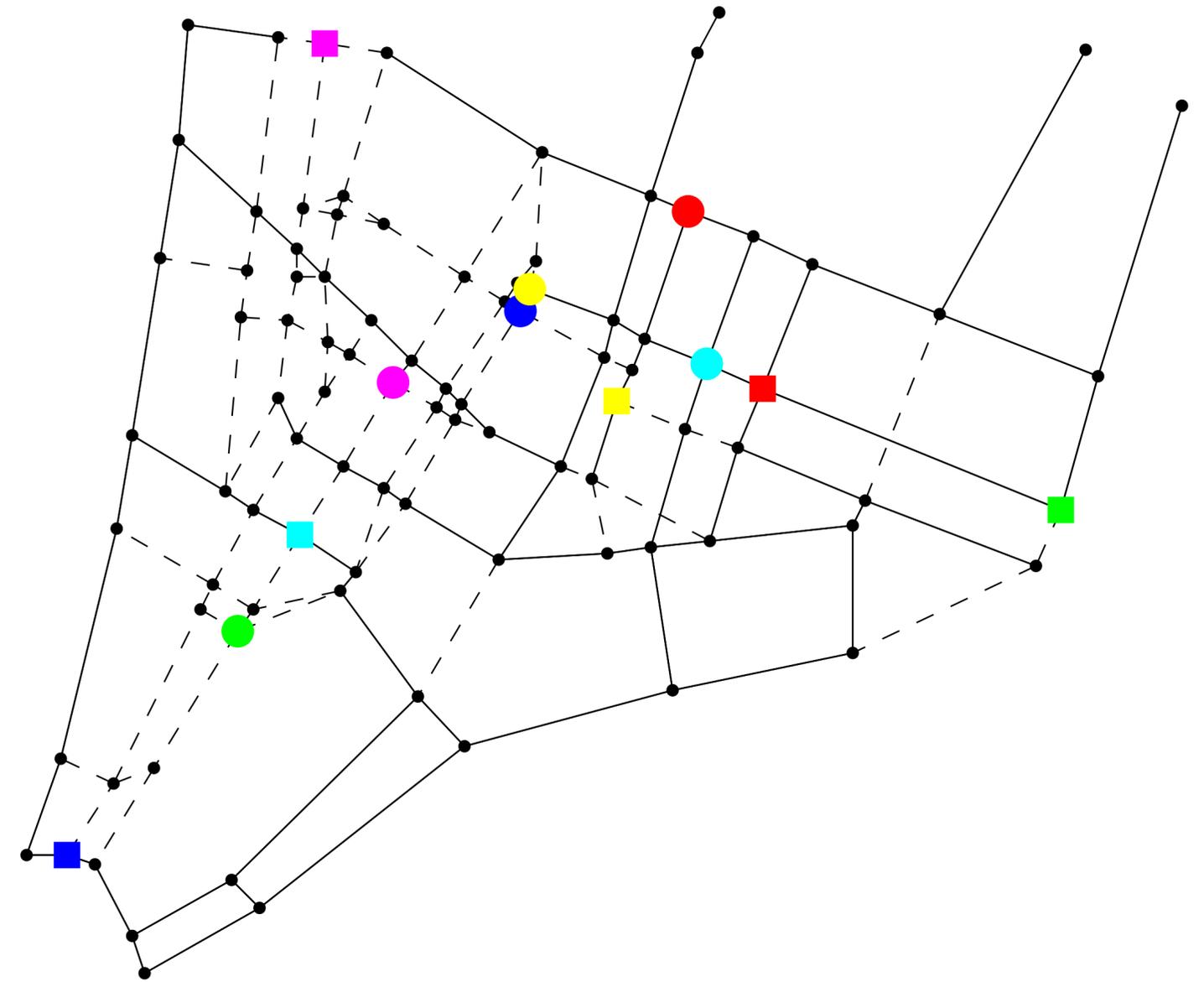
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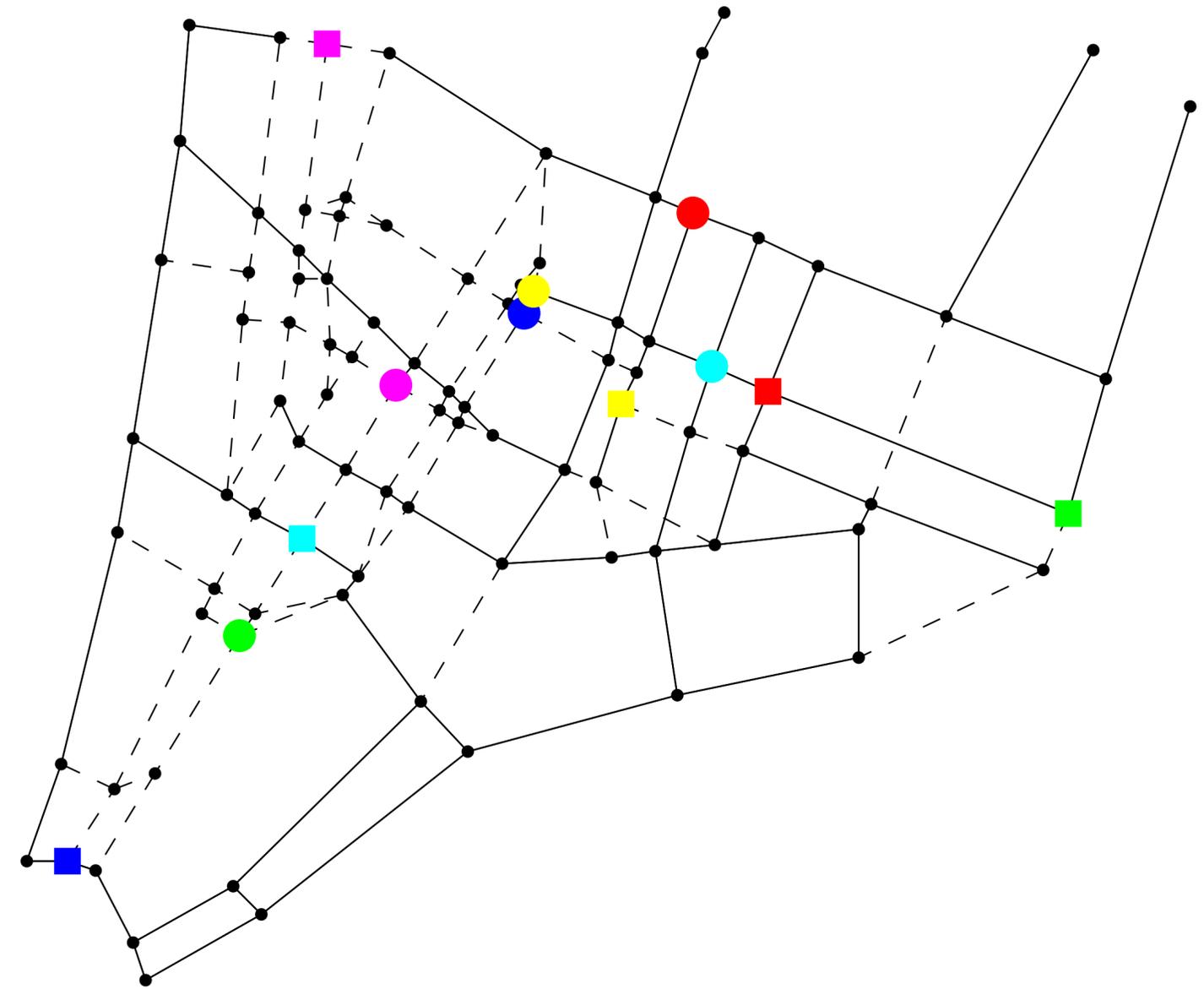
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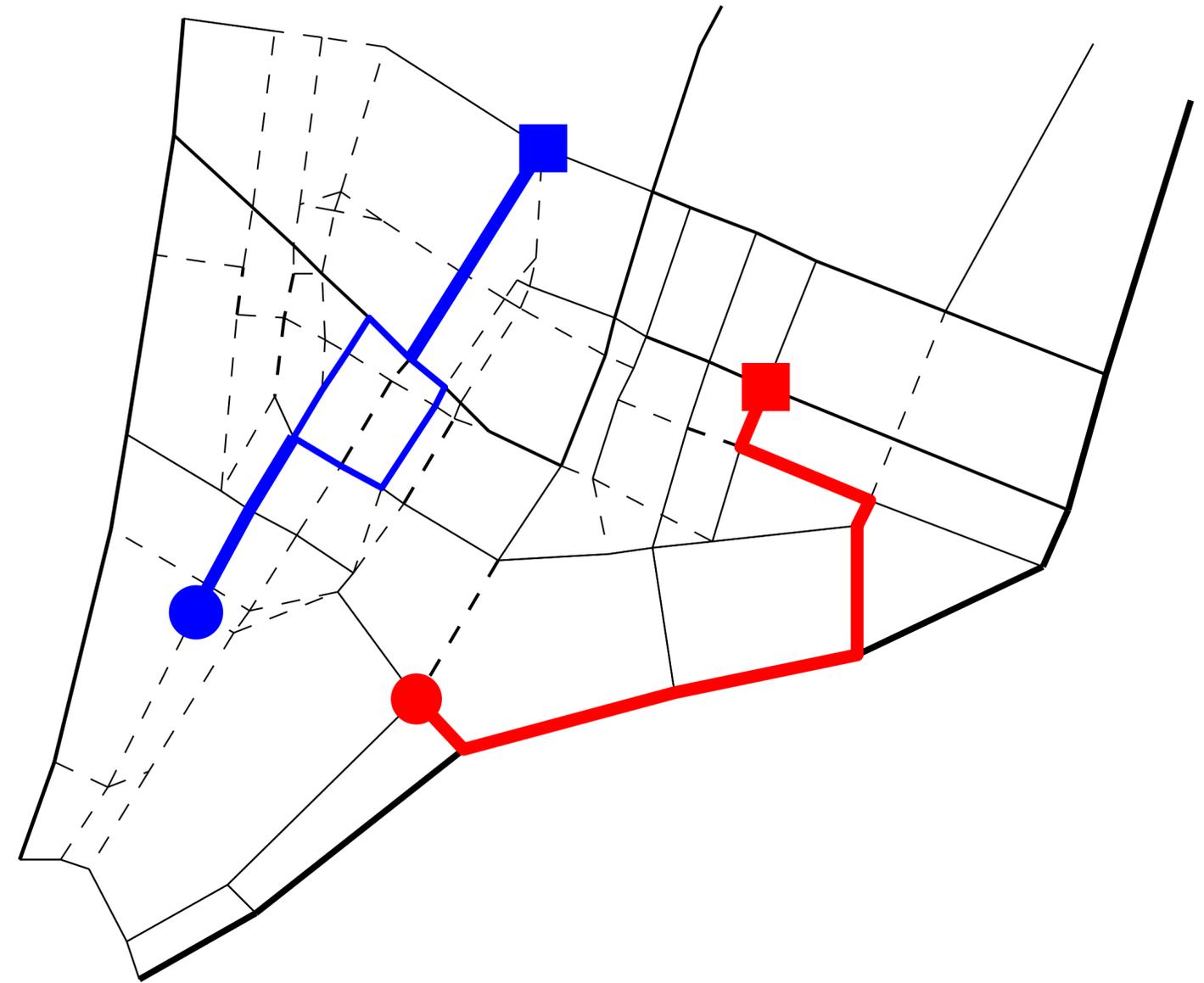
- Nodes: intersections and stops
- Capacitated arcs: roads, walk, switch and public transit



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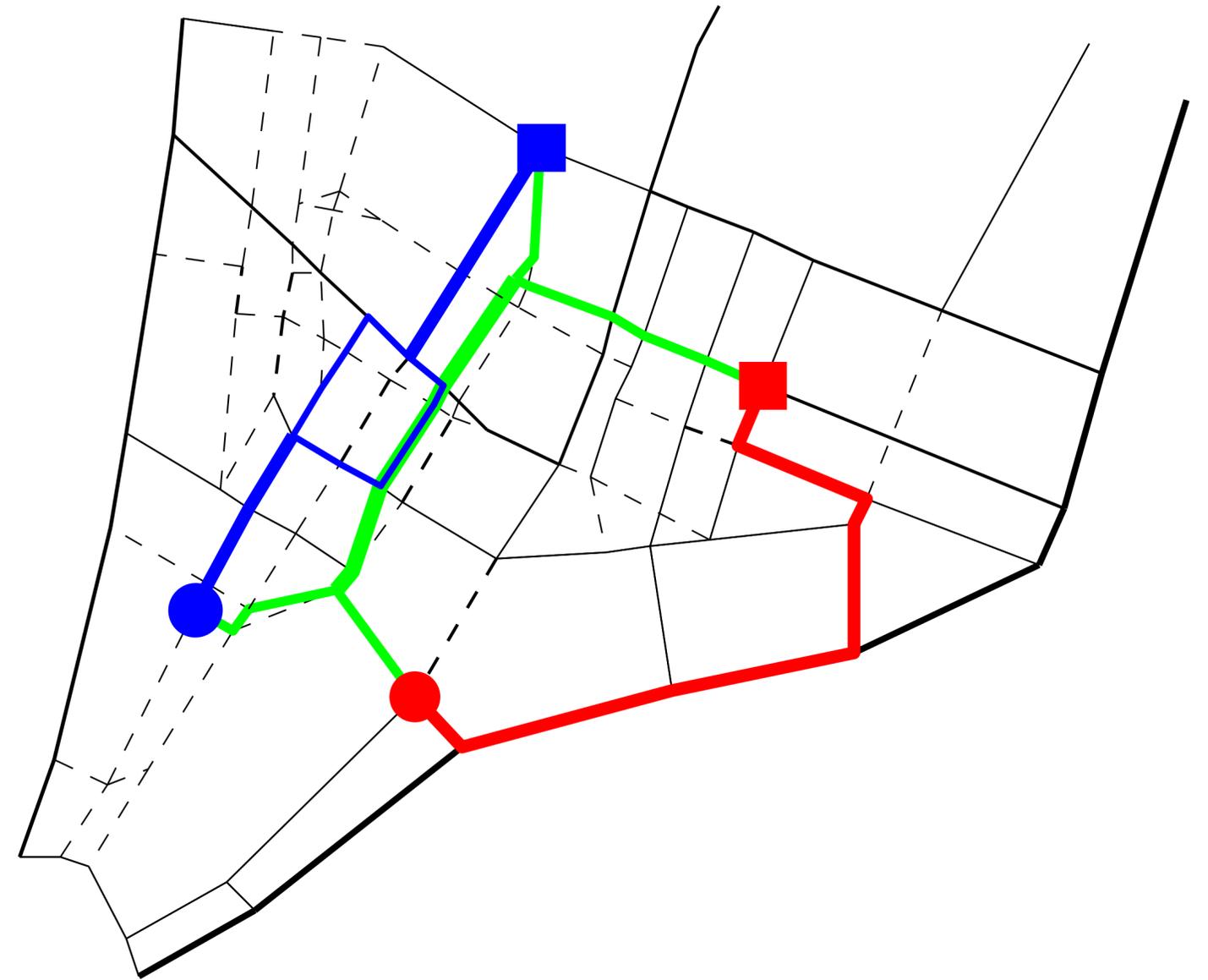
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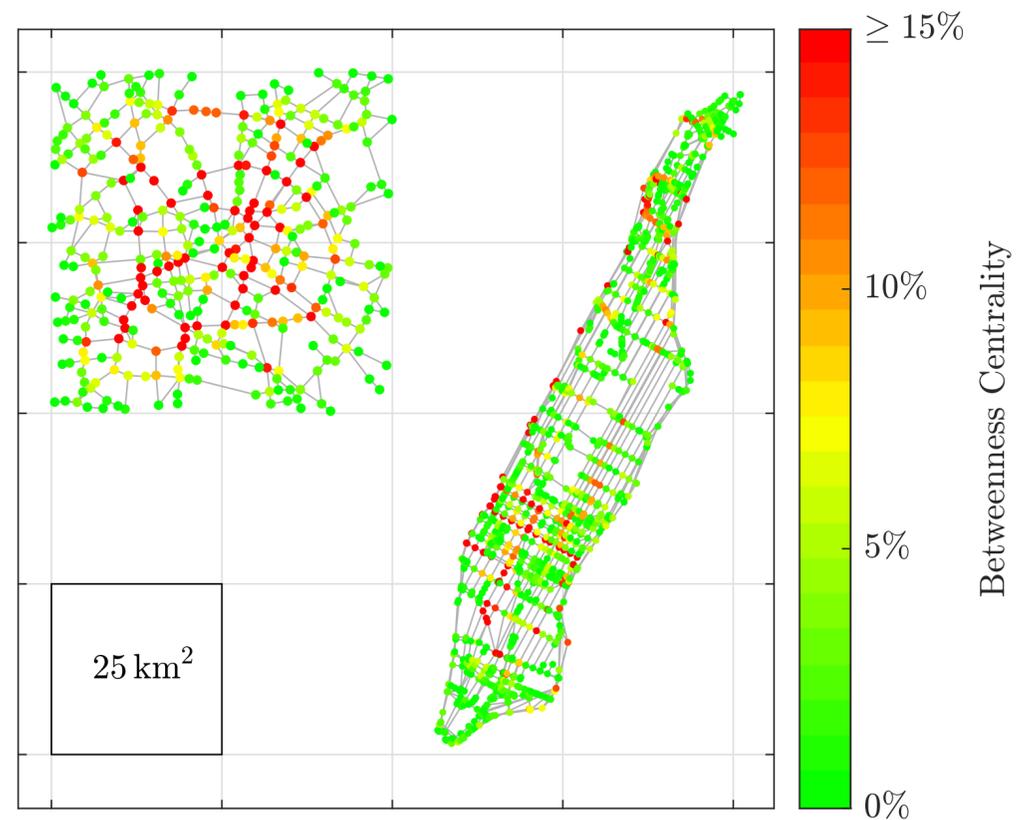
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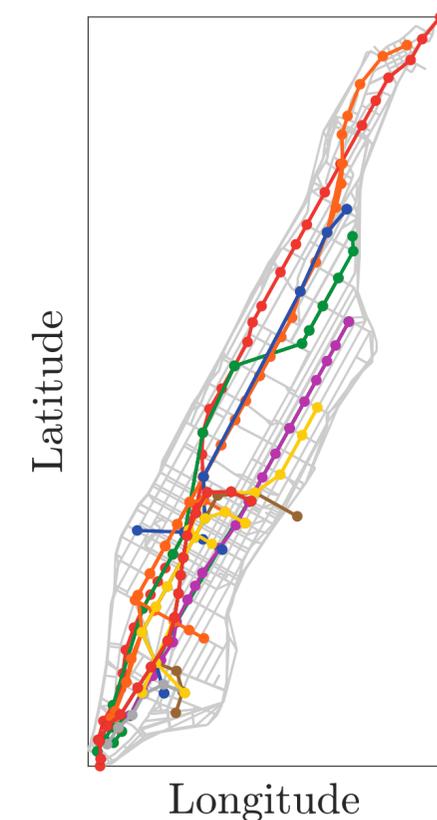
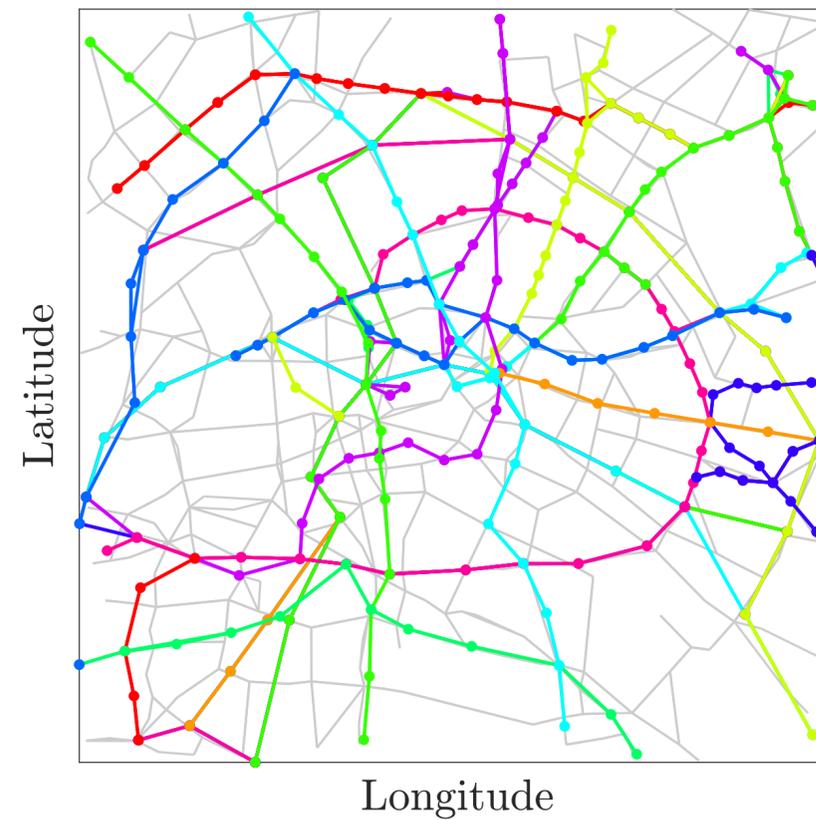
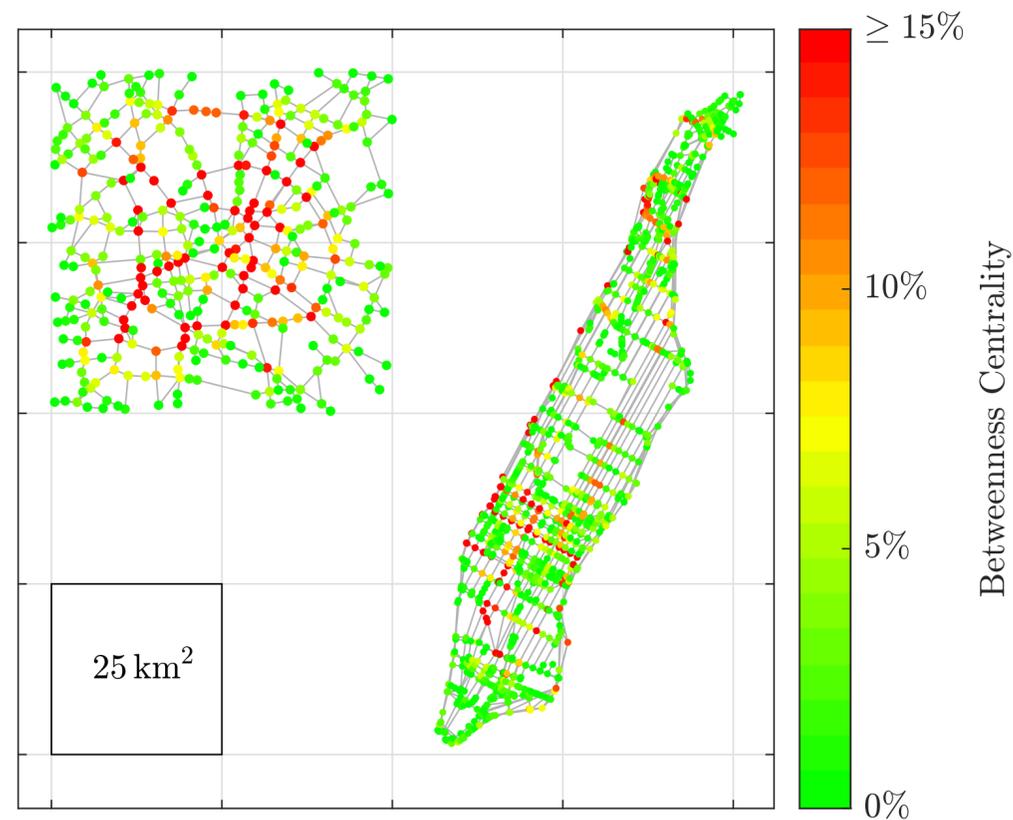
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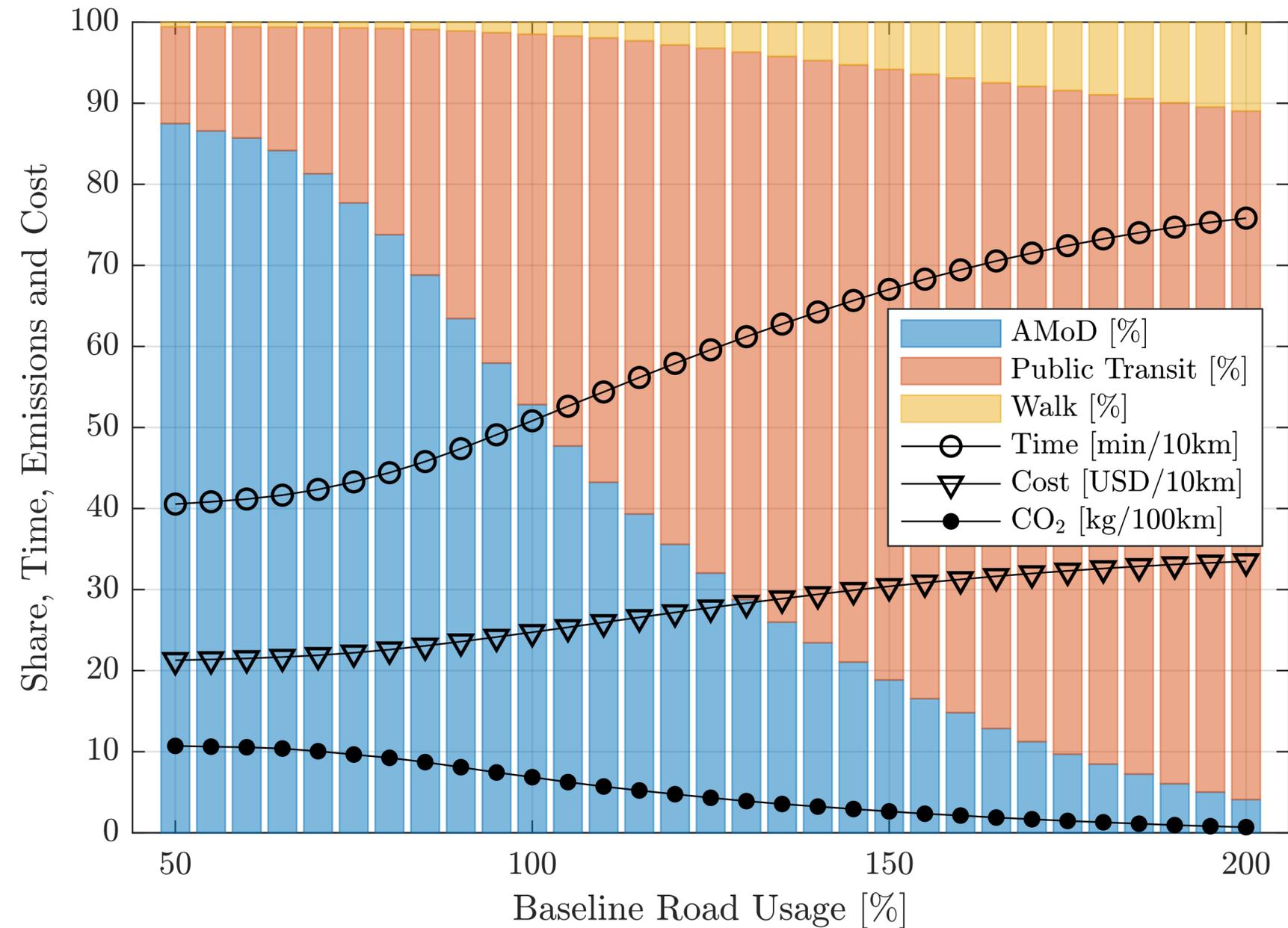


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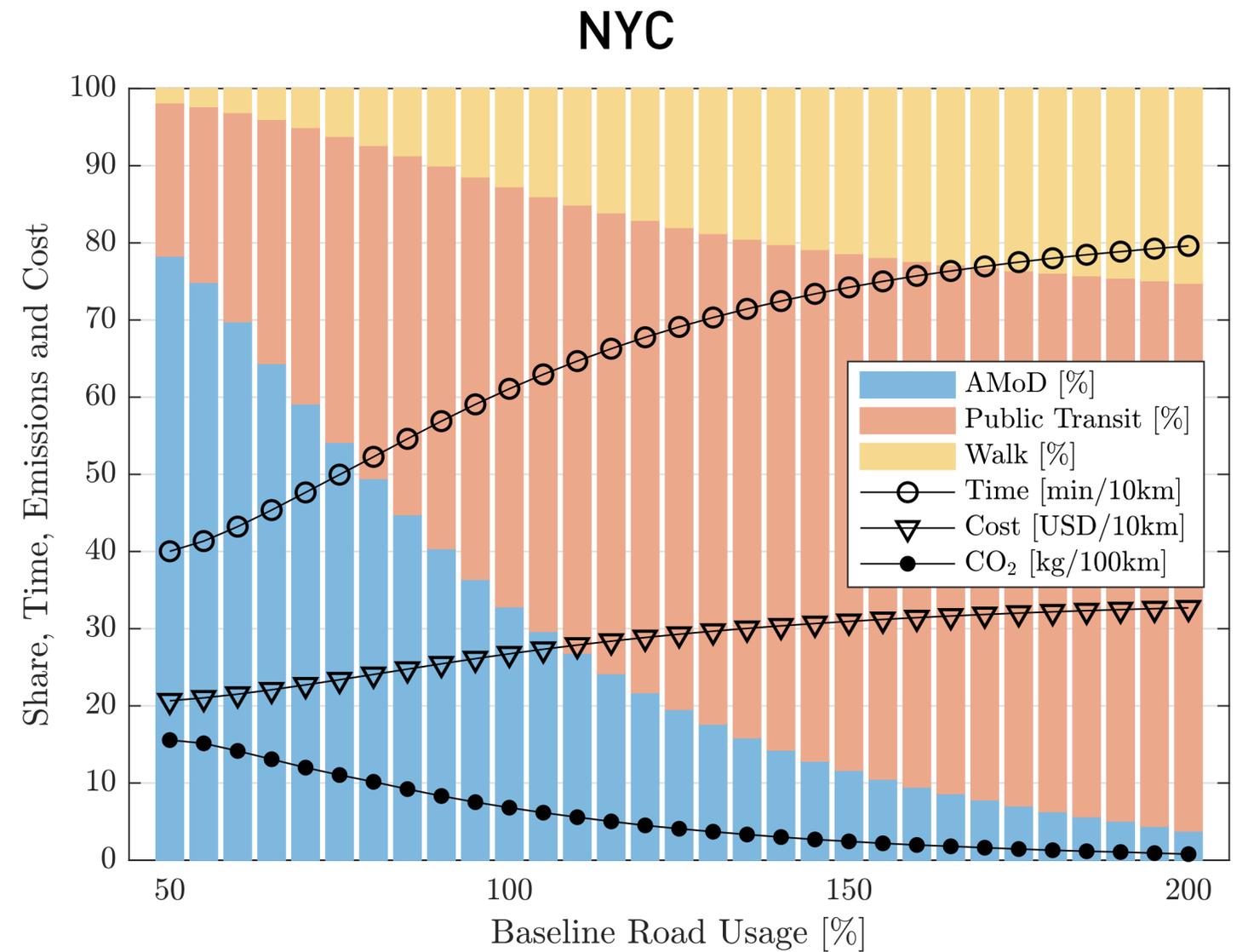
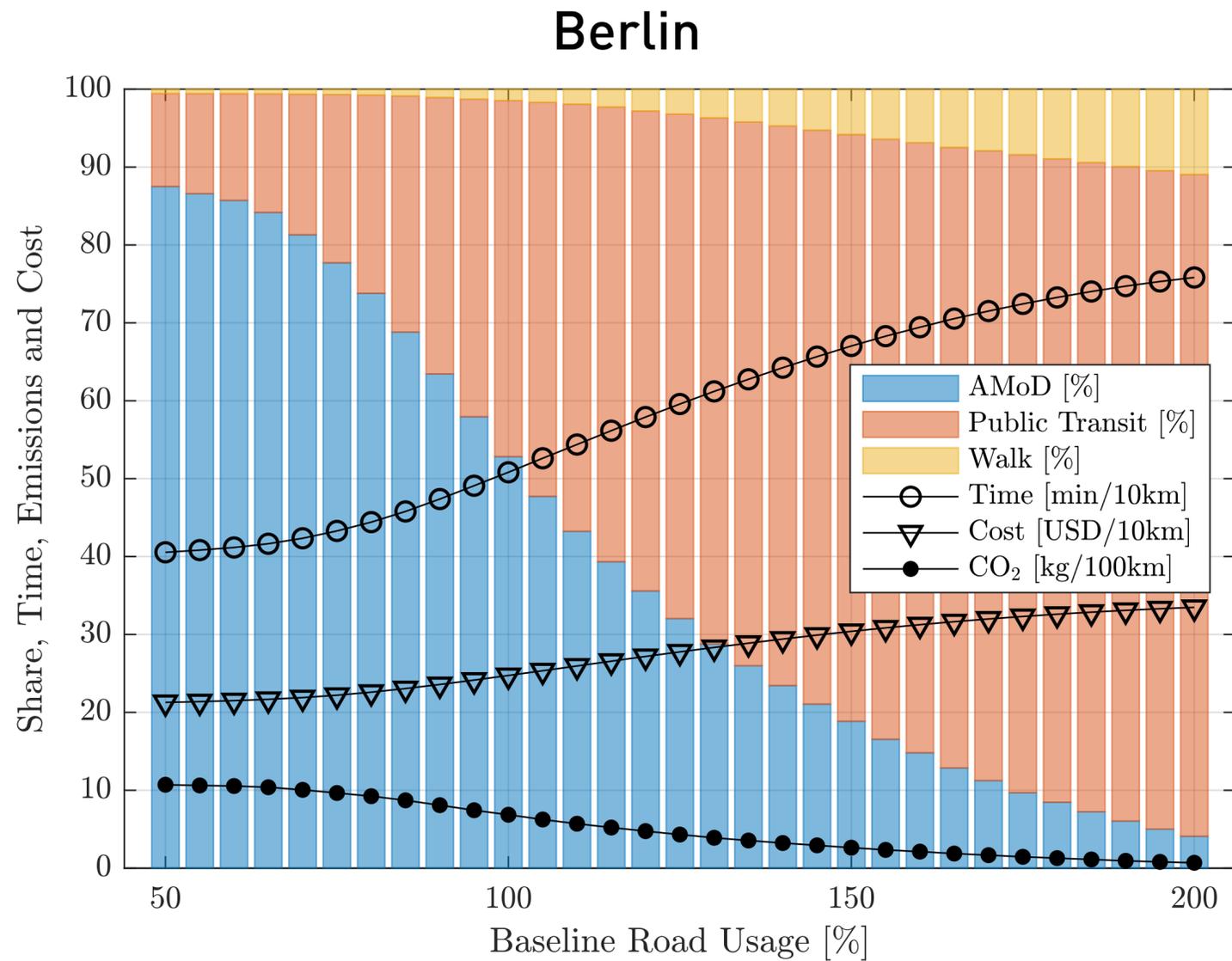
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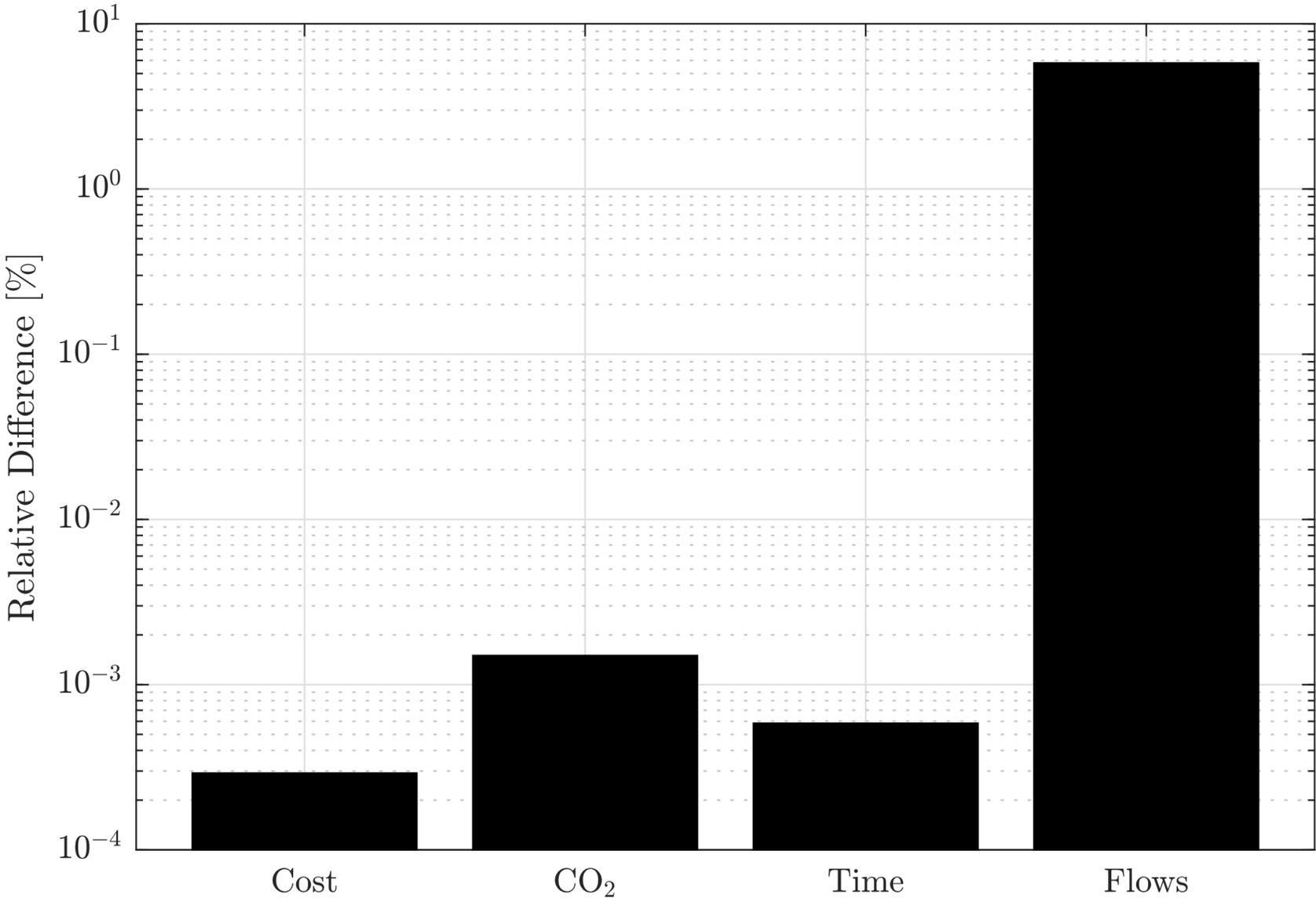


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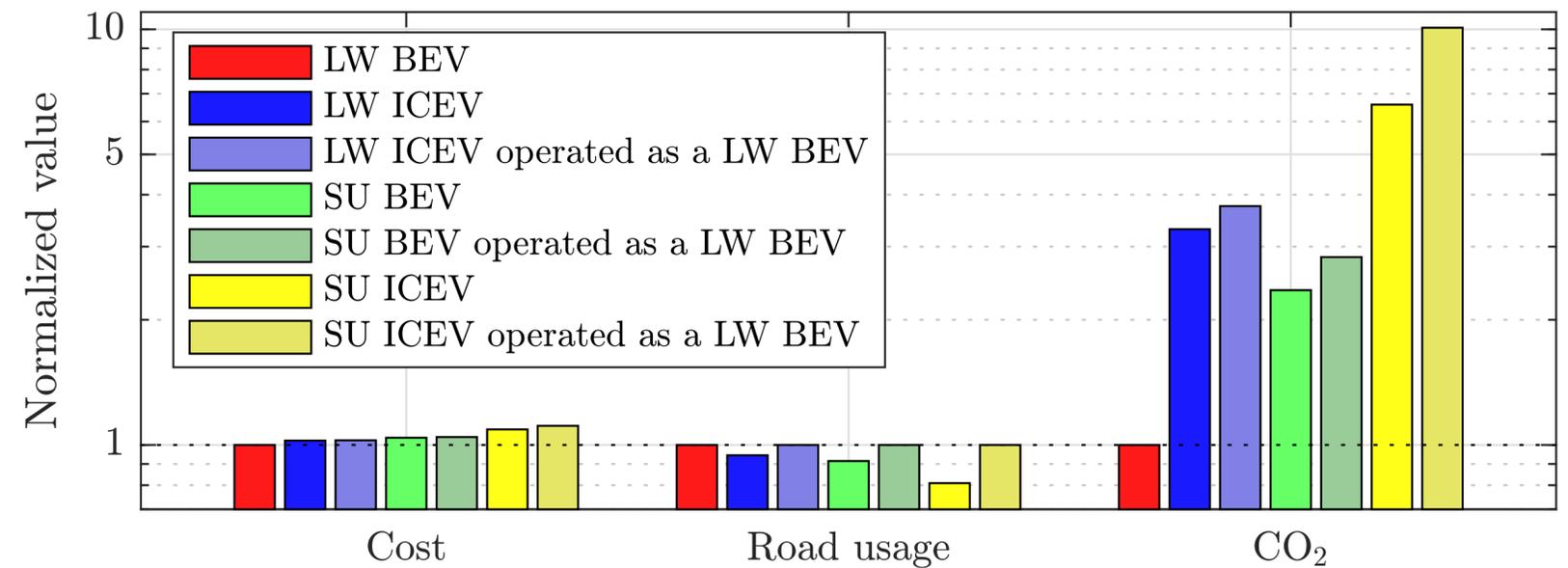
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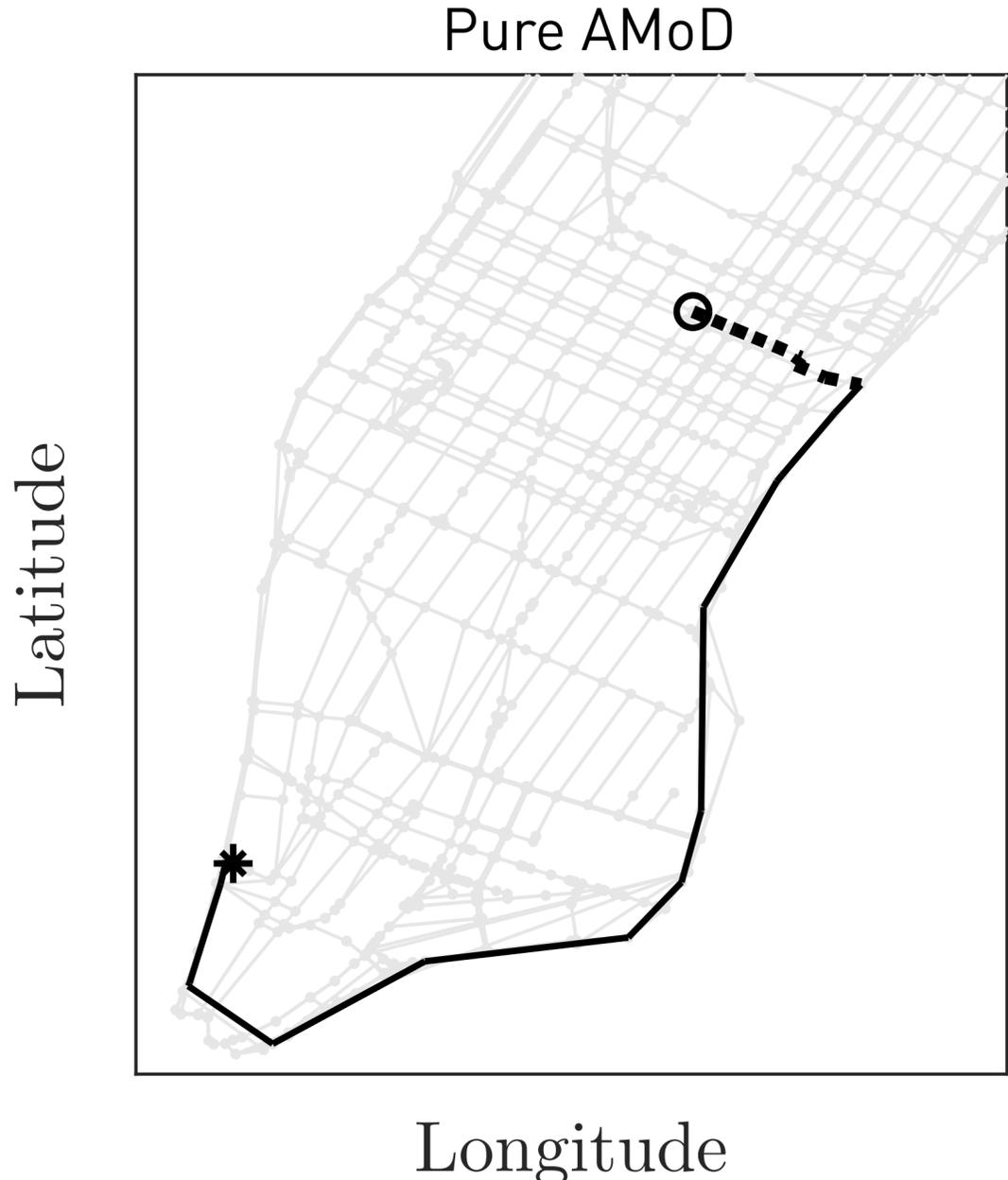
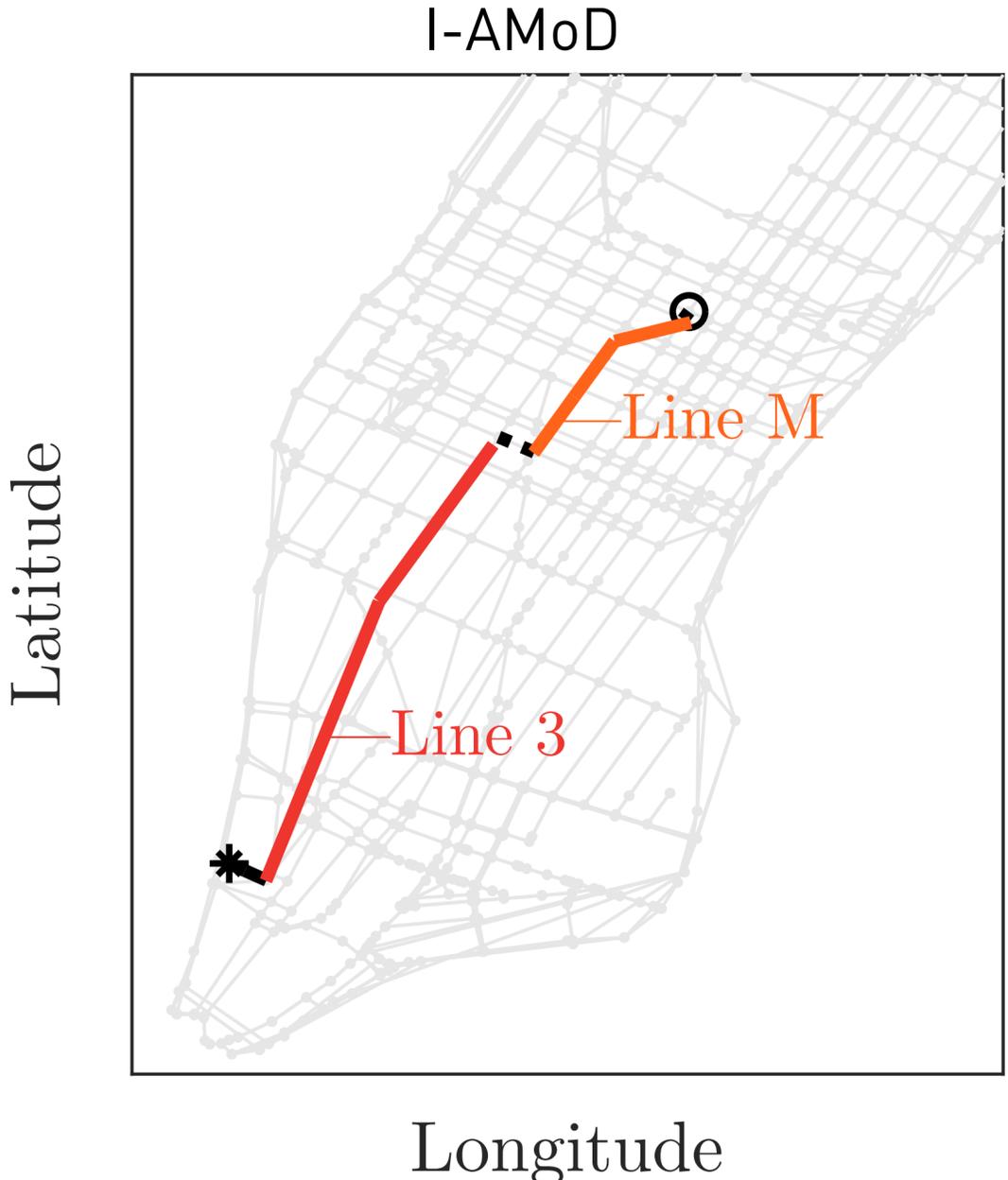
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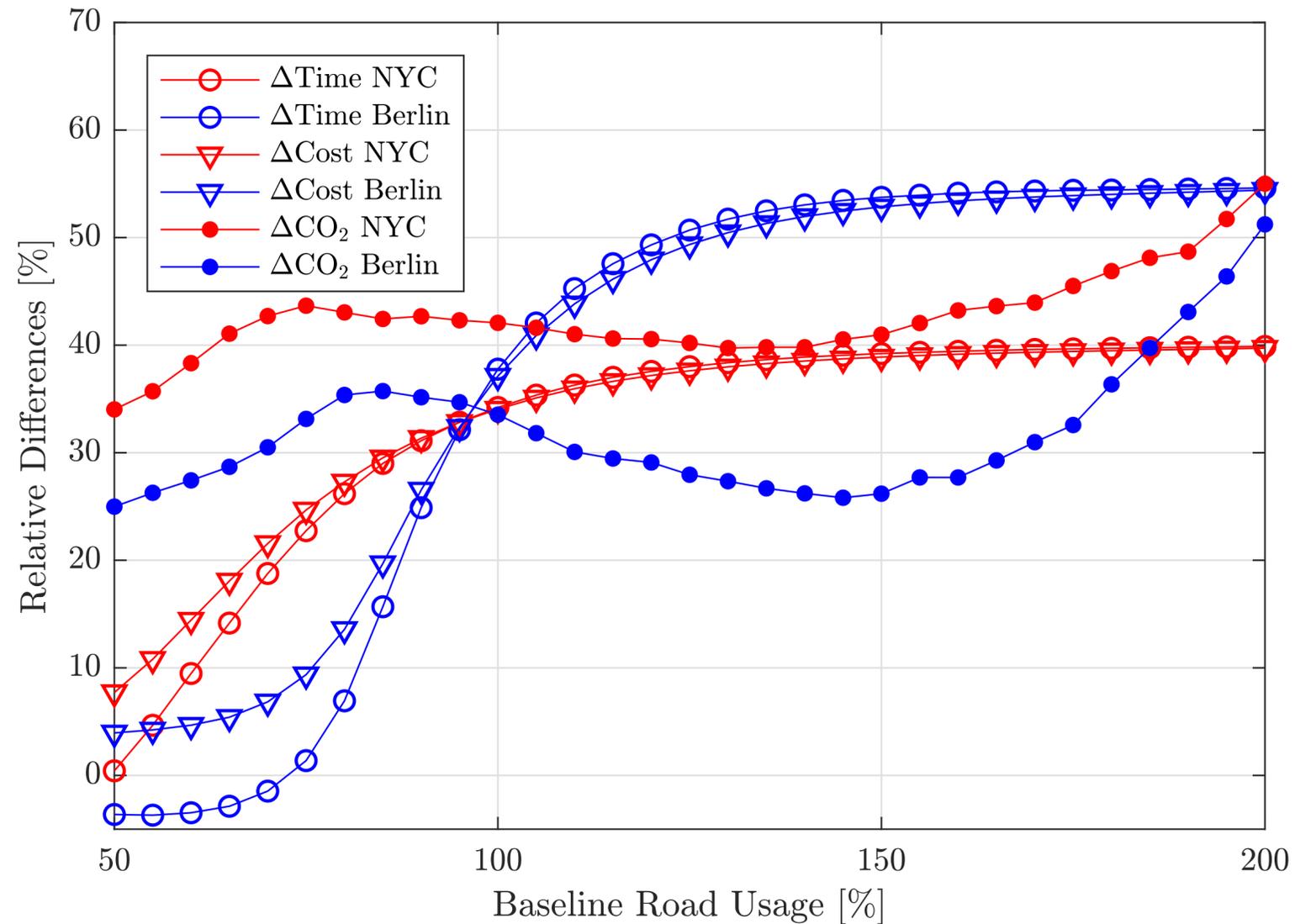
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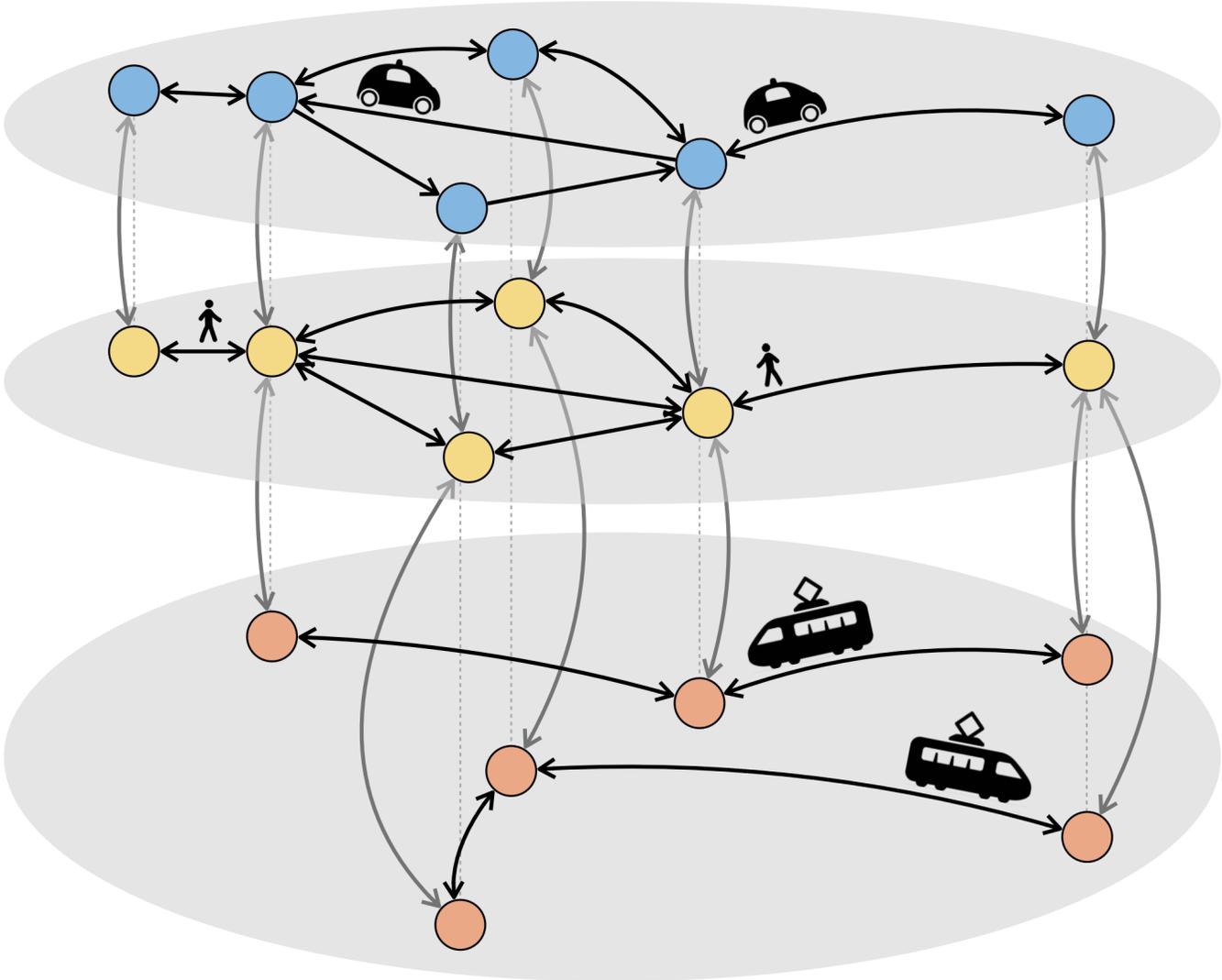
Pure AMoD VS I-AMoD - Relative Difference



Coordination with public transit significantly reduces **travel times, number of vehicles, emissions and cost!**

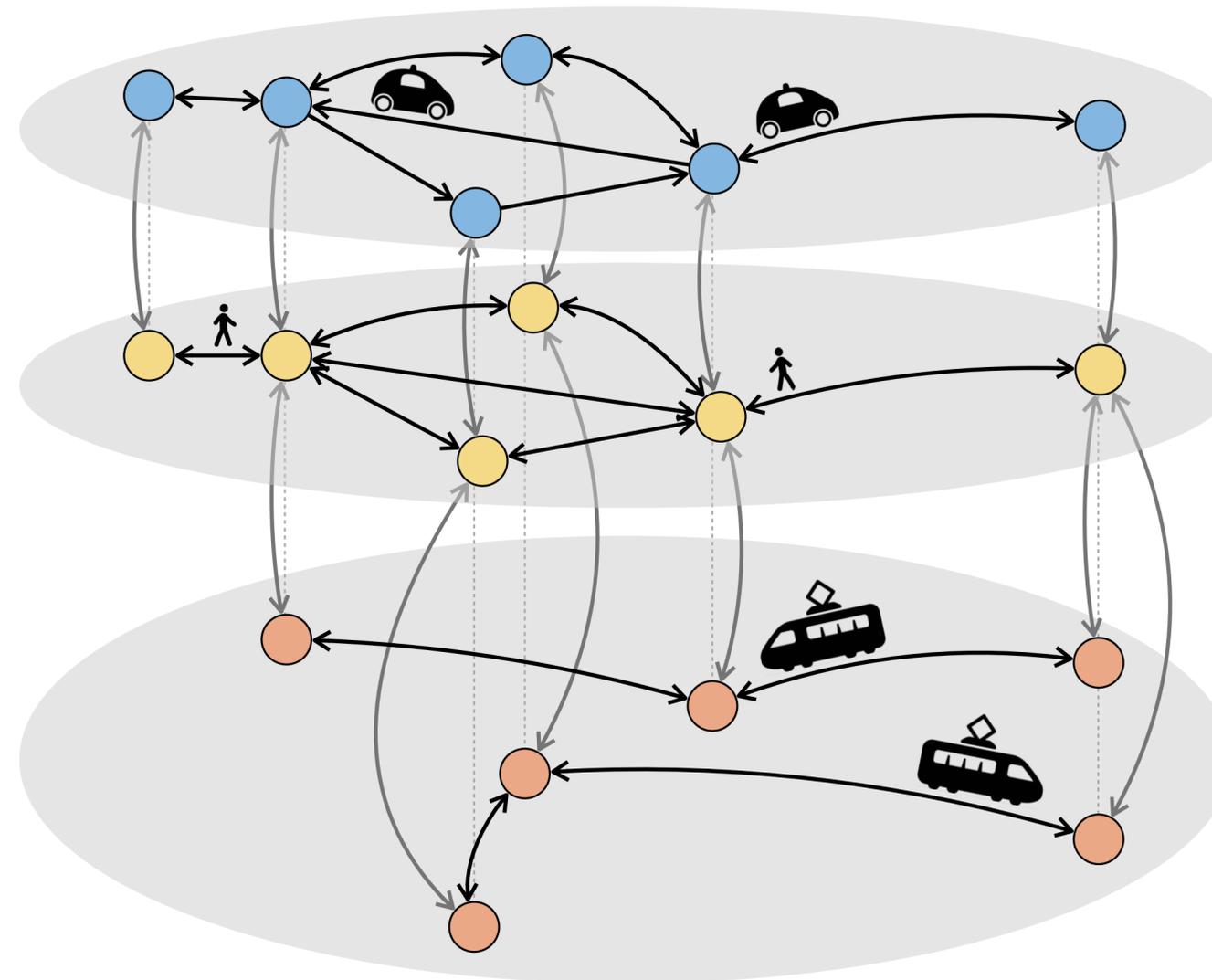
Intermodal Autonomous Mobility-on-Demand

Time-invariant Model for Analysis and Planning



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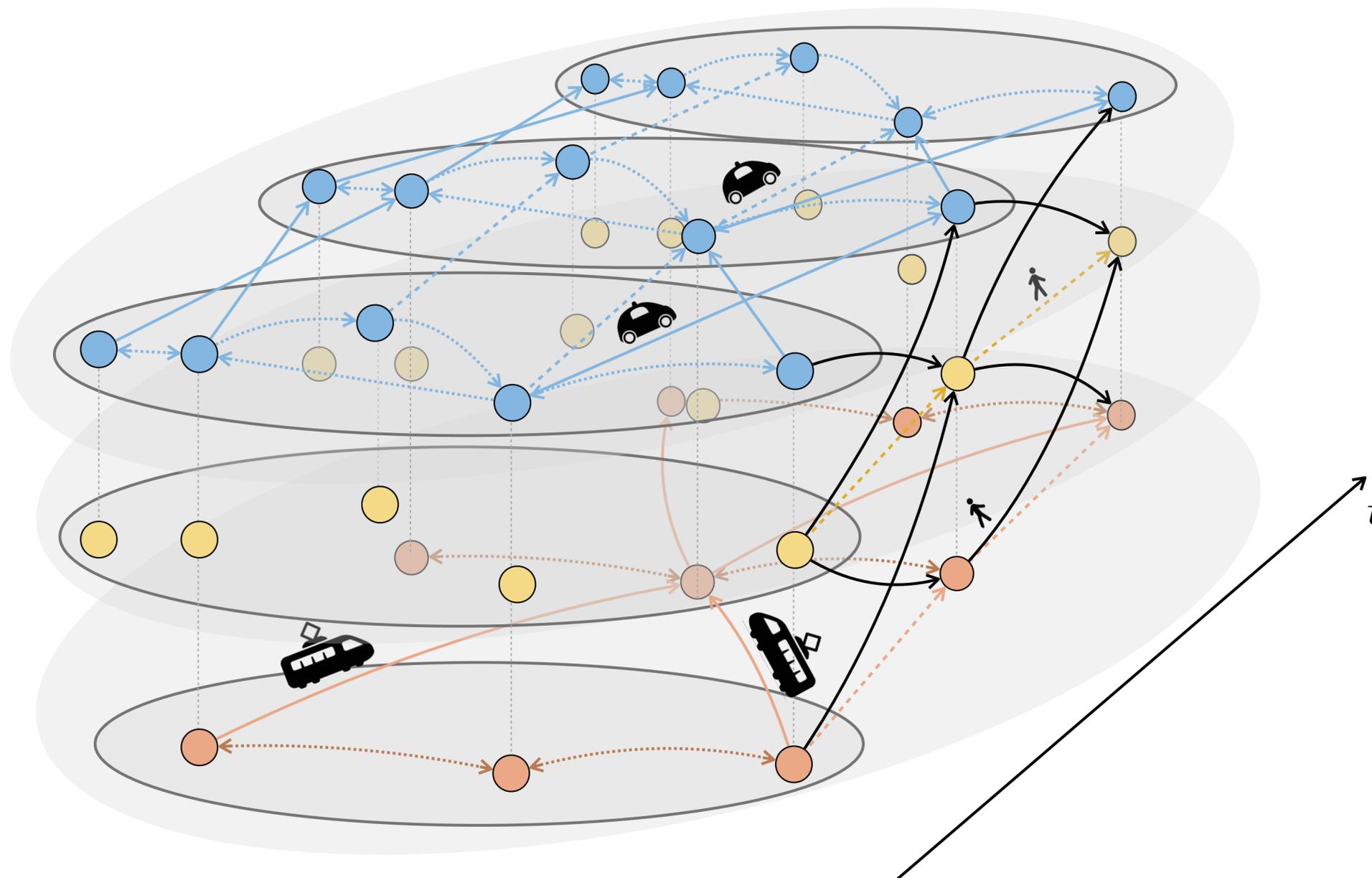
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Where do we go from here?

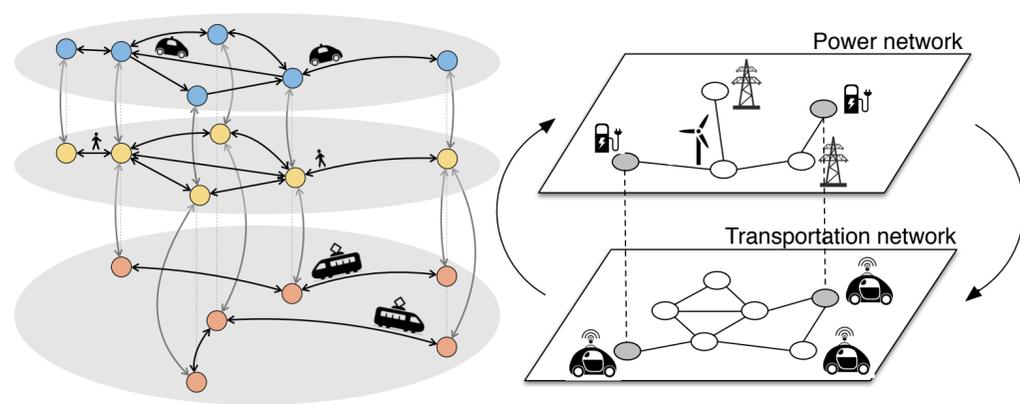
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Time-variant Model for Control and Operation: MPC for Intermodal Routing

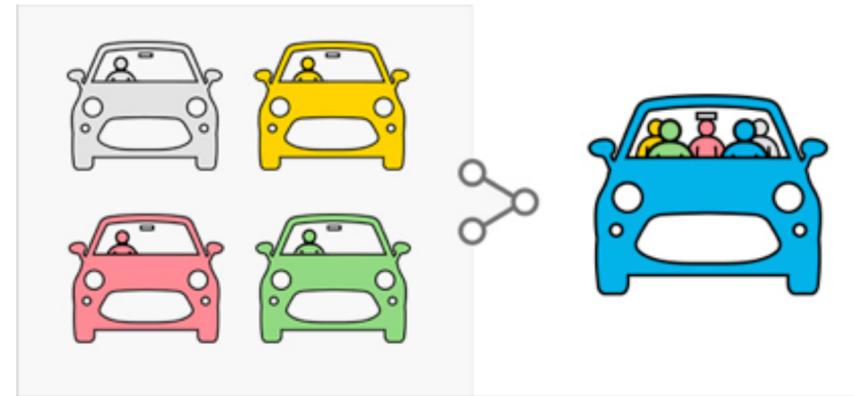


Opportunities in AMoD

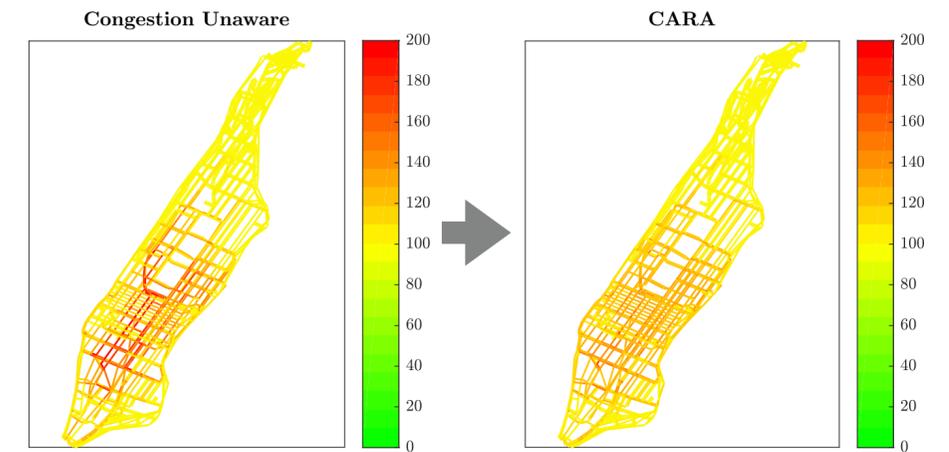
Interaction with Infrastructure



Ride-sharing



Real-time Routing Algorithms



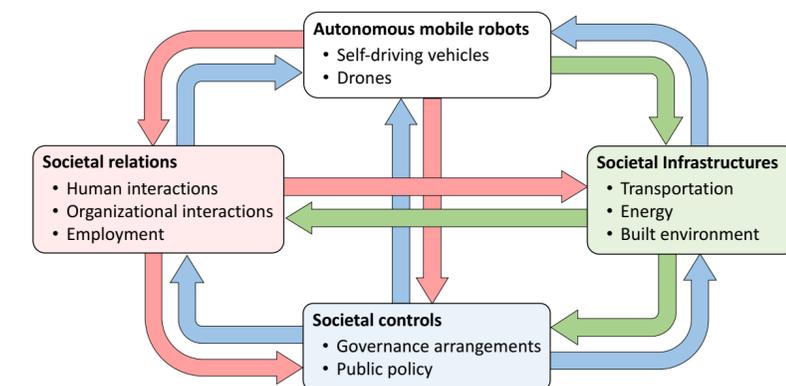
Real-world Case Studies



Technology Infusion



Societal Implications



Conclusion

- Autonomous driving might lead to a **transformational** paradigm for personal urban mobility
- Integration of autonomous driving with the urban infrastructure gives rise to an entirely new class of problems (and opportunities)
- Solutions to these problems are key to enable AMoD and to carefully evaluate their value proposition

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