

# **Strategic traffic assignment model for automated driving impacts**

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# Introduction

- SP6: Integrated Model for the Impacts of Automated Driving
- This workshop:
  - Functional description of traffic assignment model
  - Formulation of AD scenarios to feed into the assignment model

# Smart Mobility

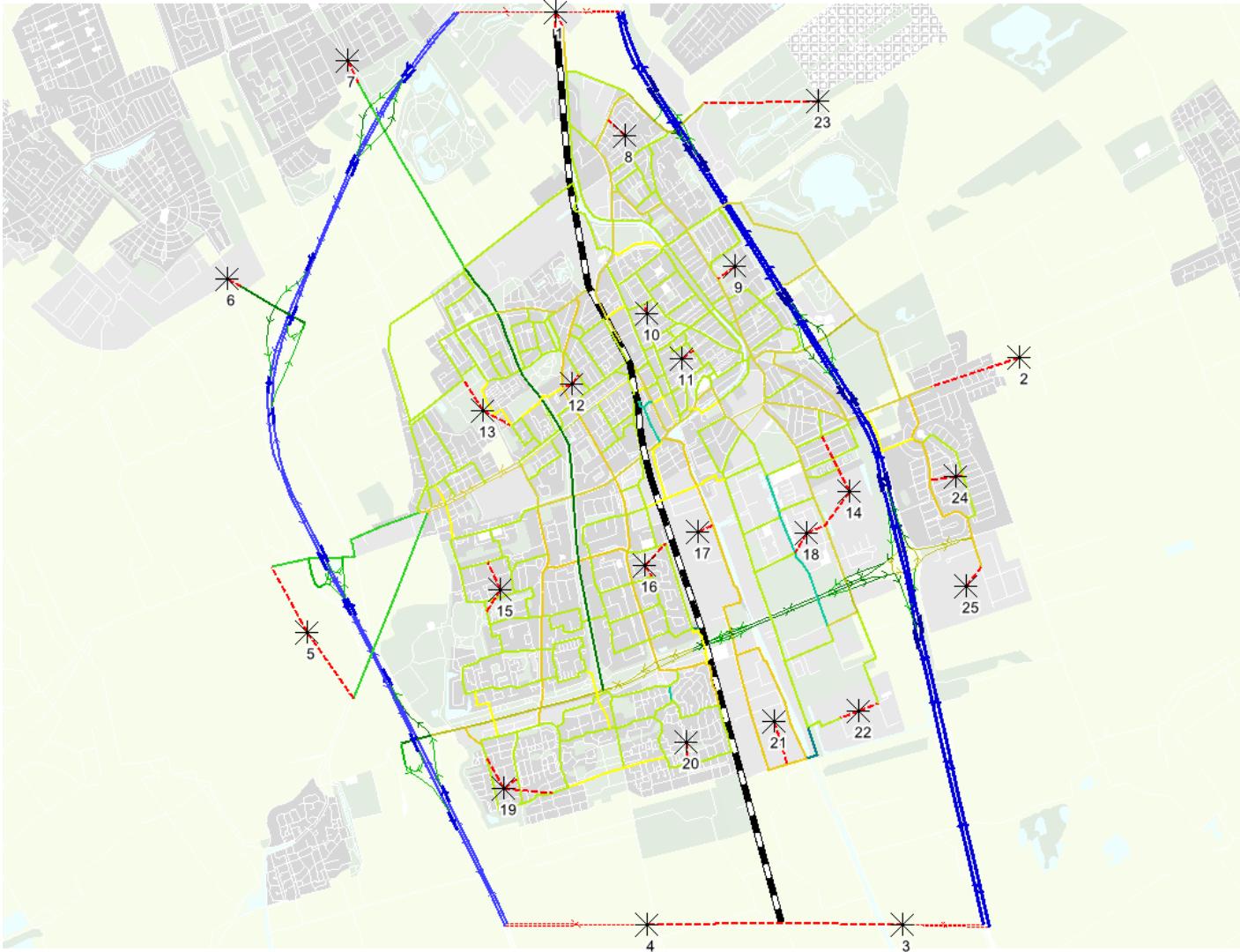
Voorbeeldscenario ‘busbanen’  
Strategic network modelling of  
the impacts of automated  
driving

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# *Basics of the assignment model*



# Static Traffic Assignment

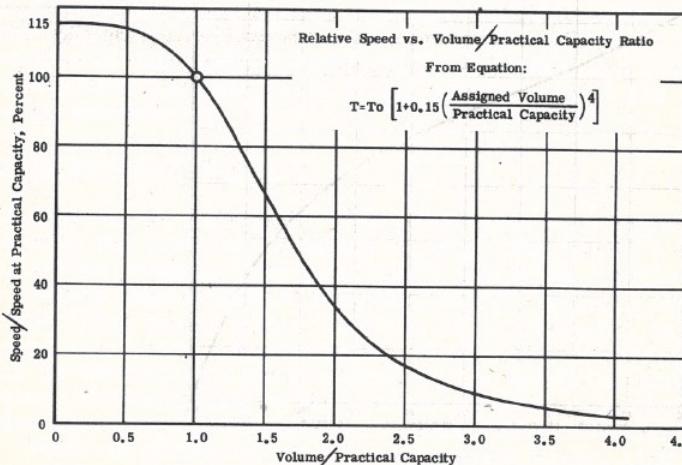
It is assumed that there is a relationship between traveltime (or speed) and the volume peculiar to each link in a highway network which can be expressed by the following equation:

$$T = T_0 \left[ 1 + 0.15 \left( \frac{\text{Assigned volume}}{\text{Practical capacity}} \right)^4 \right]$$

where:  $T$  = Traveltime at which assigned volume can travel on the subject link.

$T_0$  = Base traveltime at zero volume = traveltime at practical capacity  $\times 0.87$ .

This relationship is shown graphically in figure V-15.



Bureau of Public Roads (1964)

# Quasi-Dynamic Traffic Assignment

- Similarities:
  - No time dimension
  - Instantaneous traffic propagation
  - Link travel time depends increases with link flow
- Advantages:
  - Flow exceeding capacity accumulates in queues
  - Queuing on links before bottleneck links instead of inside bottleneck links
  - Travel times on links with vertical queues calculated using queuing theory

# *Model input: the road network*

# Network and vehicle types

- Different network availability per vehicle type
  - E.g. different vehicle types cannot drive everywhere
  - E.g. dedicated roadways/lanes for certain vehicle types
- Different free-flow travel time per vehicle type
  - E.g. different vehicle types have different speed limits

# Road capacity may vary

Bottleneck capacities depend on traffic composition

- Useful for various types of automated and cooperative driving and different vehicle types
- Can be different for each bottleneck, e.g. vehicle automation that works in some locations but not everywhere

# PCU values for cooperative driving

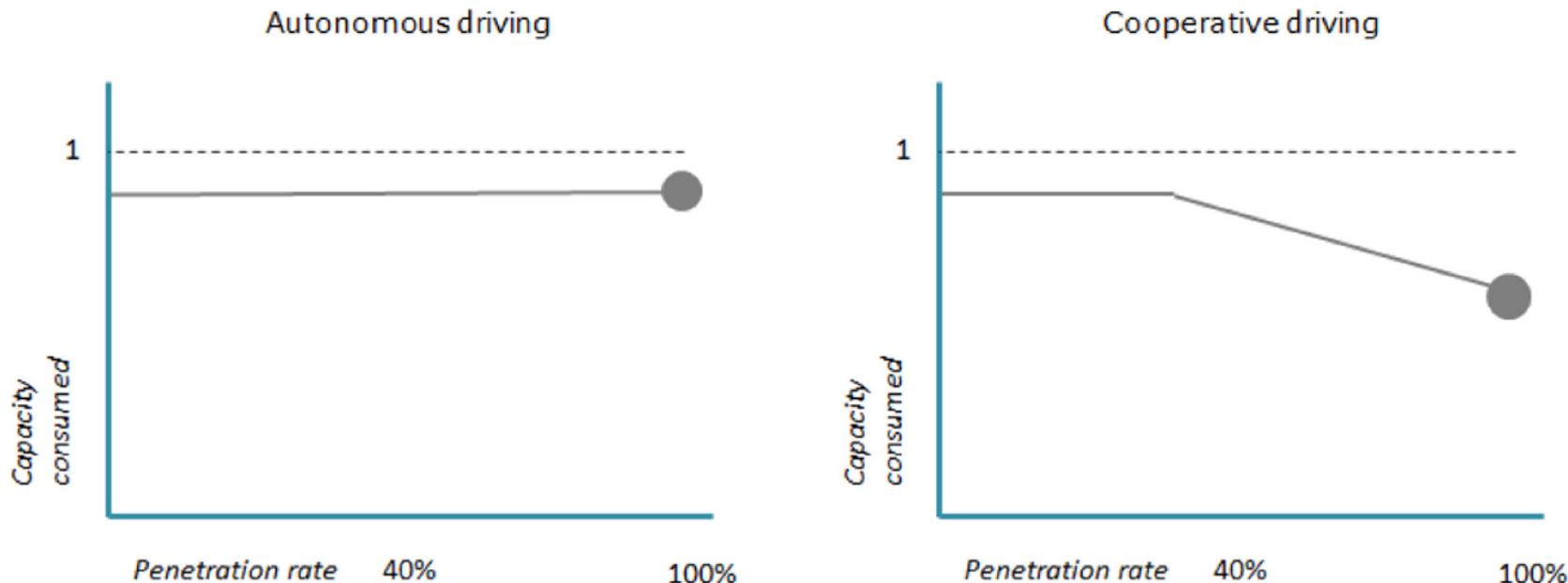


Fig. 2. PCUA value for different penetration rate for autonomous and cooperative driving (van Arem et al., 2006; Arnaout and Bowling, 2011; Ngoduy et al., 2009; Hoogendoorn et al., 2014).

# Junction specification

- Junction type (e.g. equal priority, give way, traffic lights, roundabouts, tile-based reservation)
- Approach lane configuration and saturation flows

Based on junction description, model can figure out what conflicts between streams exist

# *Model input: the travel demand*

# Travel demand

Travel demand can have trips with intermediate stops

- Prevents double-counting of a vehicle in congestion
- E.g. useful for modelling (self-driving) taxis or similar services without fixed routes

# Route choice

## Utility-based

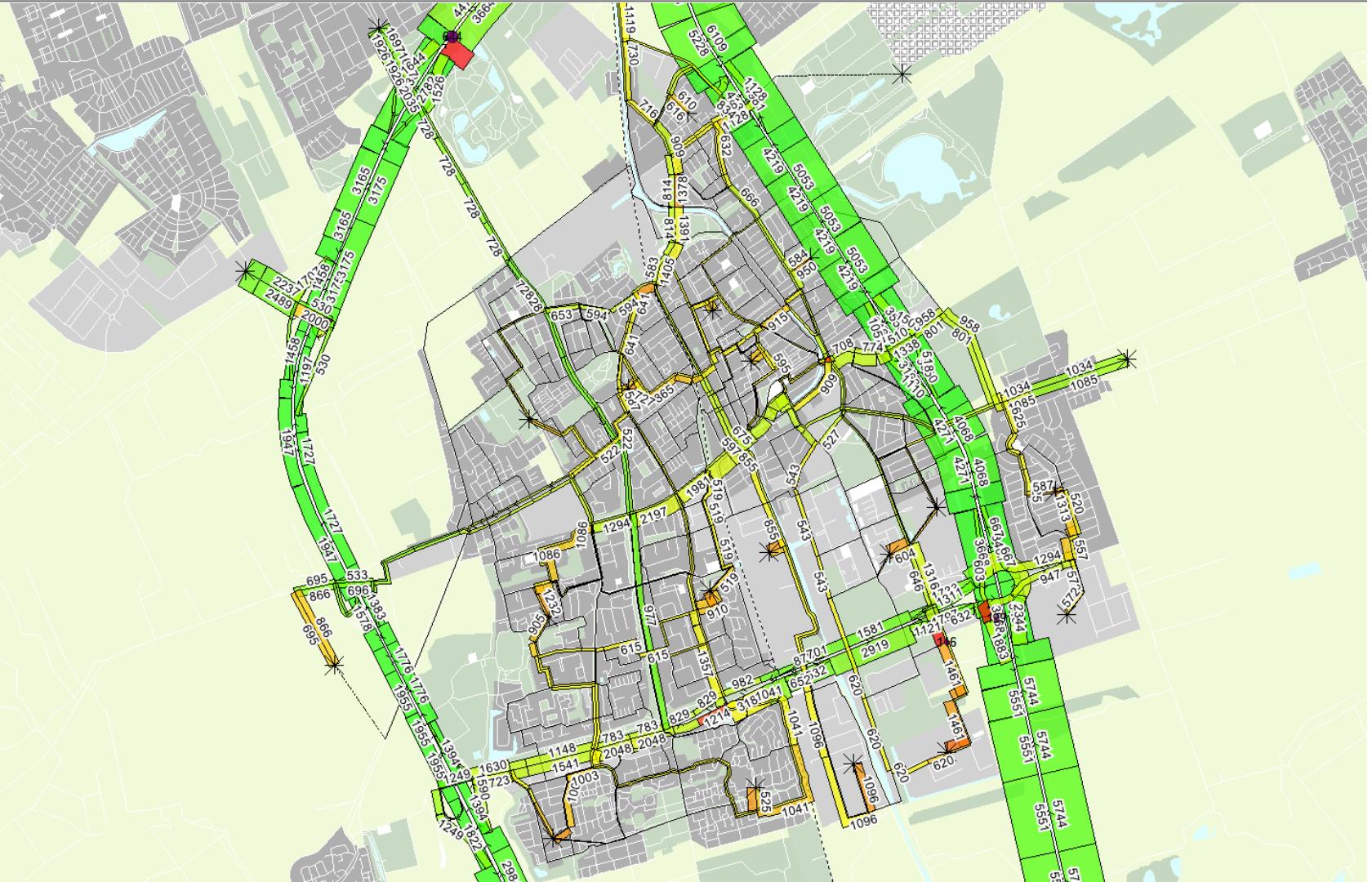
- Travel time
  - Value-of-time can vary per user class
  - Value-of-time can be location-dependent
- Operation/fuel costs (distance, platooning)
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Or predefined routes (e.g. PT)

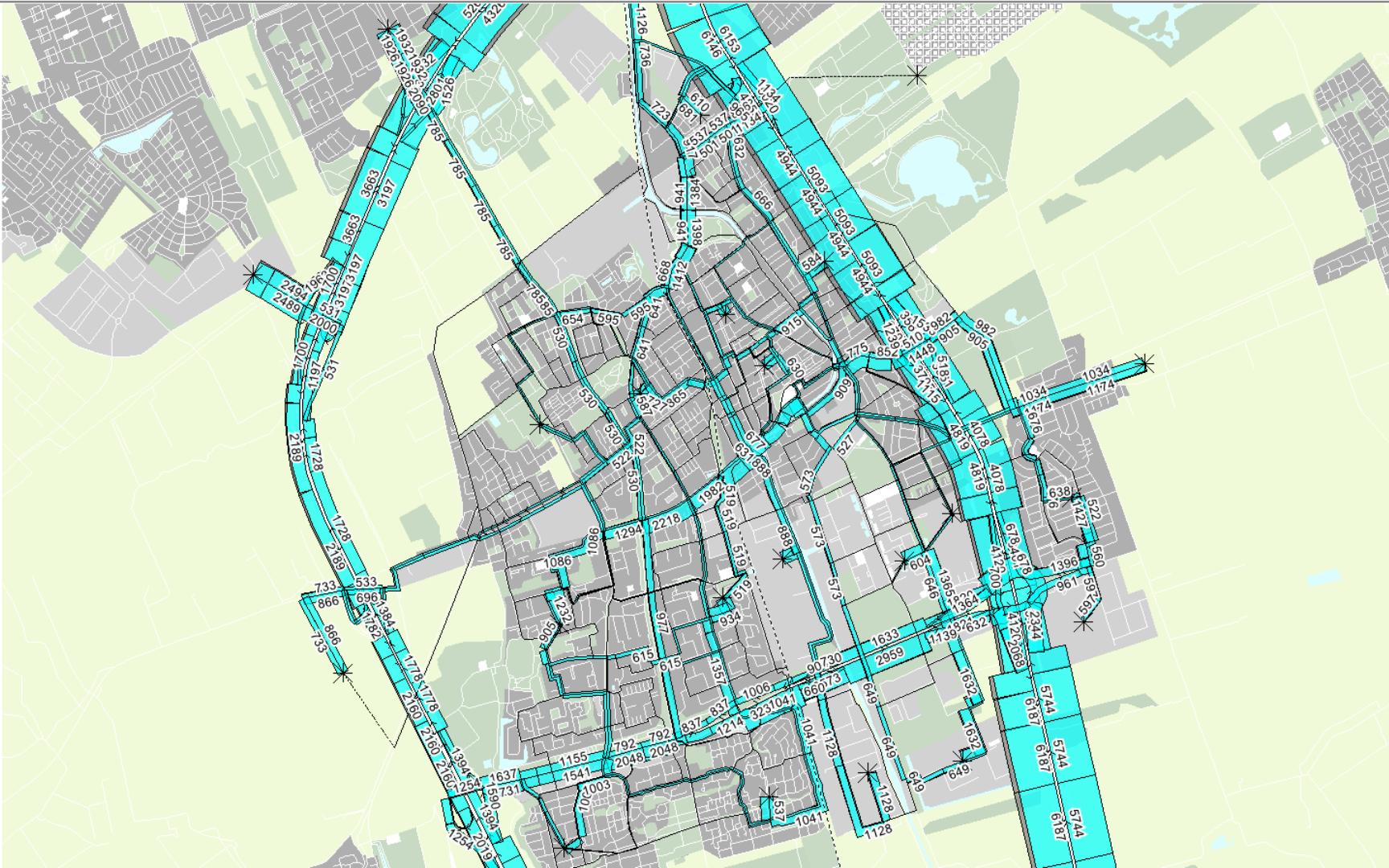
# *Model output*

# Model output

- Flows and travel times
  - Per origin, destination
  - Per route
  - Per link, turn (incl. dedicated lanes)
  - Per vehicle type
- Bottleneck information
  - Demand, capacity
  - Traffic lights: critical conflict group, cycle time, green fractions
  - Queue size, delay







# Using the model output

- Aggregation of results:
  - Total distance travelled
  - Total time spent
  - Total congestion delay
  - Total disutility of travel
- With further post-processing of results:
  - Emissions estimates
  - Traffic safety assessment
  - Cost-benefit analyses

# With multiple model runs

- Comparison of variants
  - Optimisation (trial and error)
  - Sensitivity analyses
- Multiple time-of-day periods
  - Parking space utilisation
- Interactive use with demand model
  - Traveller's responses to automated driving

# *Example Scenario*

# Autonome voertuigen op busbanen casus Brainport (Eindhoven)

- **is het een goed idee om**
  - personeel richting luchthaven brengen vòòr aanvang dienstregeling
  - passagiers voor Eindhoven airport vraaggestuurd te vervoeren, en
  - aantrekkelijk, hoogwaardig shared vervoer naar bedrijfsterreinen (ASML)
    - wel/niet stoppen op haltes, wel/niet afwijken van route
- **casus: bestaande infrastructuur busbanen benutten voor automatisch rijden**
  - infrastructurele veiligheidsvoorzieningen, interactie met ander verkeer
  - gebruiken hub functie van stations, gebruiken bestaande lijnen
  - hogere bezettingsgraad materieel, hogere opbrengst (economische haalbaarheid)
  - optie: benutten infra als incentive voor elektrisch stadslogistiek
- **KPIs/interessante aspecten**
  - globaal: verandering reistijden, verandering in congestie op andere wegen door intensiever gebruik busbanen
  - specifiek: interactie met vluchten (geen constante vraag, maar wel goed voorspelbaar)
  - specifiek: vertragingen door trucks op busbanen, veilige oversteek kruispunten bij haltes bij overzijde kruispunten



# Input parameters voor scenario

**SAE level of automation (0-5):**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Road types suitable for automated or cooperative driving:**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Value of time for travellers:**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Road types vehicle is allowed to drive:**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Capacity effects of automated or cooperative driving:**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Cost of vehicle operation:**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Predetermined lines or routes this vehicle uses (if applicable):**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
- ....

**Size of travel demand, market segment:**

1. ....
- ....
2. ....
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# uitgangspunten voor scenario (input parameters)

1=kolom 1: case  
busbanen  
2=kolom 2: + trucks

## SAE level of automation (0-5):

1. SAE L4
2. SAE 2-4

## Road types suitable for automated or cooperative driving:

1. Overal worden
2. Alleen op busbanen, de first/last mile op gewone wegen = SAE L2

## Value of time for travellers:

1. €14/uur voor reizigers
2. -12% arbeidskosten omdat chauffeur andere taken kan doen

## Road types vehicle is allowed to drive:

1. Busbanen, parkeerplaatsen op airport terminal
2. Busbanen, gewone wegen (first/last mile)

## Capacity effects of automated or cooperative driving:

1. Bottlenecks als gevolg van halteren
2. -20% volgafstand door CACC; geen effecten op gewone wegen

## Cost of vehicle operation:

1. Brandstof: - 10% door automatisch rijden
2. Brandstof: - 5% op gewone wegen  
-20% op busbanen

## Predetermined lines or routes this vehicle uses (if applicable):

1. Bestaande routes van buslijnen
2. Geen voorgeschreven routes

## Size of travel demand, market segment:

1. OV-gebruikers + buiten dienstregeling
2. 90% van logistiek binnen de stad, inclusief overslag van hubs buiten de stad

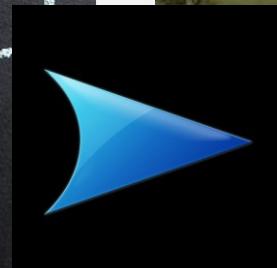
## area considered Key Performance Indicators

- Effecten op congestie
- Veilige kruispunten door haltes
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# Vragen?



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**Scenario name:** Expanding capacity inner city of Eindhoven using bus lanes

**Vehicle types present in this scenario:**

	Vehicle name:	Automated bus	Electric logistics vehicle	
	SAE level of automation (0-5):	4	2-4	
	Road types vehicle is allowed to drive:	Bus lanes / remise / parking ground at terminal Eindhoven Airport	Bus lanes / ordinary roads (first/last mile)	
	Predetermined lines or routes this vehicle uses (if applicable):	Following predetermined routes of the bus line	No predetermined routes; preference for bus lanes in route choice	
	Road types suitable for autonomous or cooperative driving:	Everywhere it is allowed to drive	Bus lanes only (first/last mile on ordinary roads are level 2)	
	Capacity effects of autonomous or cooperative driving:	No significant change in bus pcu value expected due to automation; same bottlenecks at intersections and stops as now	Headways on bus lanes 20% lower due to cooperative driving (if not blocked by stopping buses); no capacity effect on ordinary roads	