



# Online Computation of Fastest Path in Time-Dependent Spatial Networks

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# Cost of Traffic Congestion

Traffic congestion is a **\$121 billion annual drain** on the U.S. economy<sup>1</sup>:

- 5.5 billion lost hours
- 2.9 billion gallons of wasted fuel
- Travelers had to allow for 60 minutes to make a trip that takes 20 minutes in light traffic.

<sup>1</sup> Texas Transportation Institute Urban Mobility Report, 2012 data

Location data could save consumers worldwide more than  
\$600 billion annually by 2020.

The biggest single consumer benefit will be from time and fuel savings from location-based services — tapping into real-time traffic and weather data — that help drivers avoid congestion and suggest alternative routes.



# Intelligent Transportation

## PROBLEM

- Traffic congestion is a **\$87.2 billion annual drain** on the U.S. economy<sup>1</sup>:
    - 4.2 billion lost hours (one work week for every traveler)<sup>1</sup>
    - 2.8 billion gallons of wasted fuel (three weeks worth of gas for every traveler)<sup>1</sup>
- <sup>1</sup> Texas Transportation Institute Urban Mobility Report, 2007 data

## GOAL

- To improve the performance of the surface transportation network through:
  - Capturing real-time data from infrastructure and vehicles
  - Developing data-driven solutions to improve mobility by leveraging optimization opportunities (e.g., path planning for commuter groups)



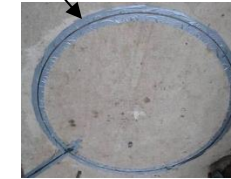
# Traffic Data Lifecycle

- **Loop Detectors**

- Most commonly used traffic sensors
- The data is collected in Detector Cabinet and relayed to the service provider
- Provide two data fields: volume (count) and occupancy (% time a vehicle is over the sensor)



Loop Detector

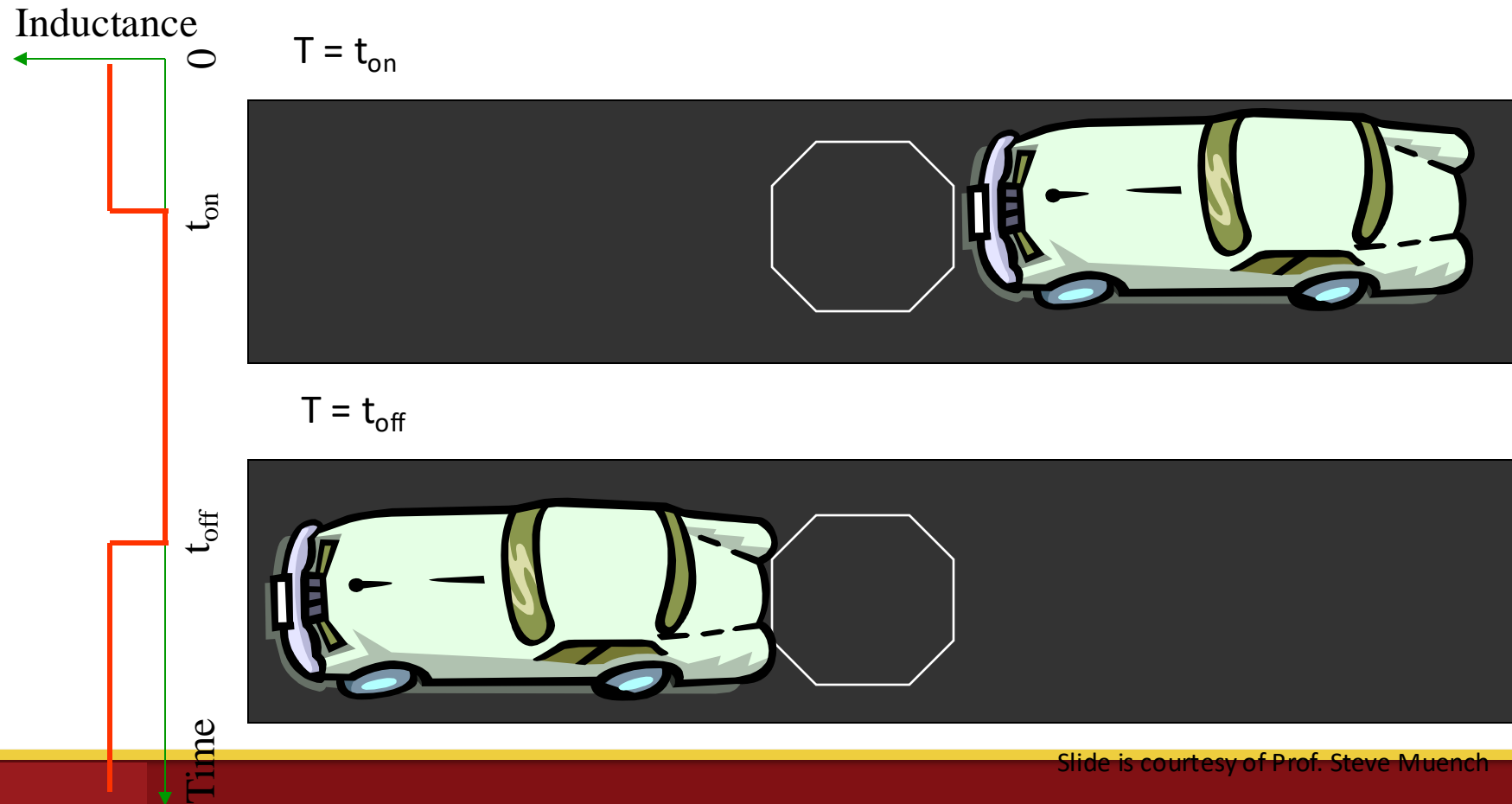


Detector Cabinet



# Traffic Data Lifecycle: Loop Detectors

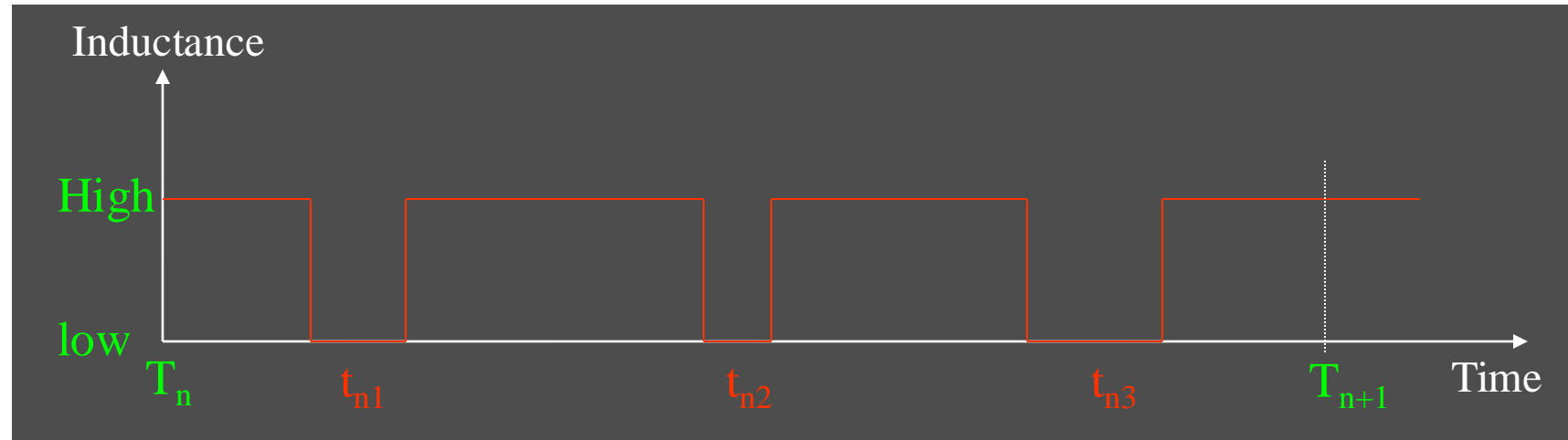
Loop inductance decreases when a car is on top of it.



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# Traffic Data Lifecycle: Loop Detectors



- **Single loops can measure:**
  - **Occupancy ( $O$ ):** % of time loop is occupied (had a car on it) per interval
  - **Volume ( $N$ ):** vehicles per interval
  - **Speed =  $(N * L) / O$**  where  $L$  is a constant proportional to the average length of a car

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# Traffic Data Lifecycle: Data Aggregator

RIITS (Regional Integration of Intelligent Transportation Systems)

- A data network affiliated with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)
- Collects and serves data from Caltrans, City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), California Highway Patrol (CHP), Long Beach Transit (LBT), Foothill Transit (FHT) and Metro

<http://www.riits.net/>

RIITS stands for Regional Integration of Intelligent Transportation Systems. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), sponsors the RIITS network. Caltrans, City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), California Highway Patrol (CHP), Long Beach Transit (LBT), Foothill Transit (FHT) and Metro all contribute information collected through their own Intelligent Transportation Systems to the network using the Los Angeles County Regional ITS Architecture and National ITS Standards. The network supports information exchange in real-time between freeway, traffic, transit and emergency service agencies to improve management of the Los Angeles County

# Traffic Data Lifecycle



**A BIGDATA Problem: V<sup>3</sup>**



Data Type	Hourly (in KB)	Daily (in KB)	Annual (in KB)	3 Years (in KB)
bus_mta_inv2.xml	0.96	23.00	8,395.00	25,185.00
bus_mta_rt2.xml	1065	120	532.50	31,950.00
cctv_inv.xml	57	86400	0.04	2.38
cms_inv.xml	52	86400	0.04	2.17
cms_rt.xml	48	75	38.40	2,304.00
event_d7.xml	11	75	8.80	528.00
rail_mta_inv.xml	1	86400	0.00	0.04
rail_rt.xml	8	60	8.00	480.00
rms_inv.xml	865	86400	0.60	36.04
rms_rt.xml	1236	75	988.80	59,328.00
signal_inv.xml	2095	86400	1.45	87.29
signal_rt.xml	2636	45	3,514.67	210,880.00
tt_d7_inv.xml	746	86400	0.52	31.08
tt_d7_rt.xml	152	60	152.00	9,120.00
vds_art_d7_inv.xml	115	86400	0.08	4.79
vds_art_d7_rt.xml	45	60	45.00	2,700.00
vds_art_ladot_inv.xml	2538	86400	1.76	105.75
vds_art_ladot_rt.xml	969	60	969.00	58,140.00
vds_fr_d7_inv.xml	957	86400	0.66	39.88
vds_fr_d7_rt.xml	361	30	722.00	43,320.00
<b>Total KB from XML data</b>	<b>13980</b>	<b>864660</b>	<b>6,985.28</b>	<b>41,885.00</b>

**Variety (gps, video, loop sensor, events)**

**Velocity**

**Volume**





# ADMS: An Exclusive Contract w LA-Metro



Input Traffic Data

Data Processing

Storage

Analysis & Visualization



- Highway (4500+ sensors)
- Arterial (4700+ **9500** sensors)
- Bus & Rail (2000+ buses)
- Event (~400 per day)
- Ramp meter
- CMS

46 MB/min



StreamInsight

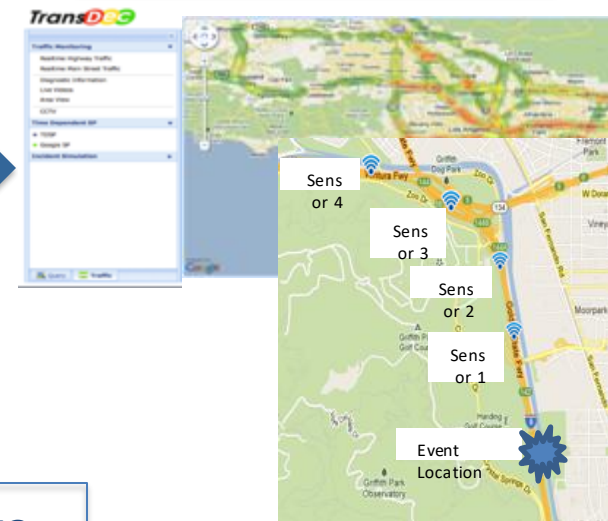
26 MB/min  
11 TB/Year



Spark  
Lightning-Fast Cluster Computing



**Transit Ridership Data**    **Inrix Probe Data**  
 4 years of ~1M rows    1 year of 400M rows  
**Truck (WIM) Data**  
 3 years of 10M rows



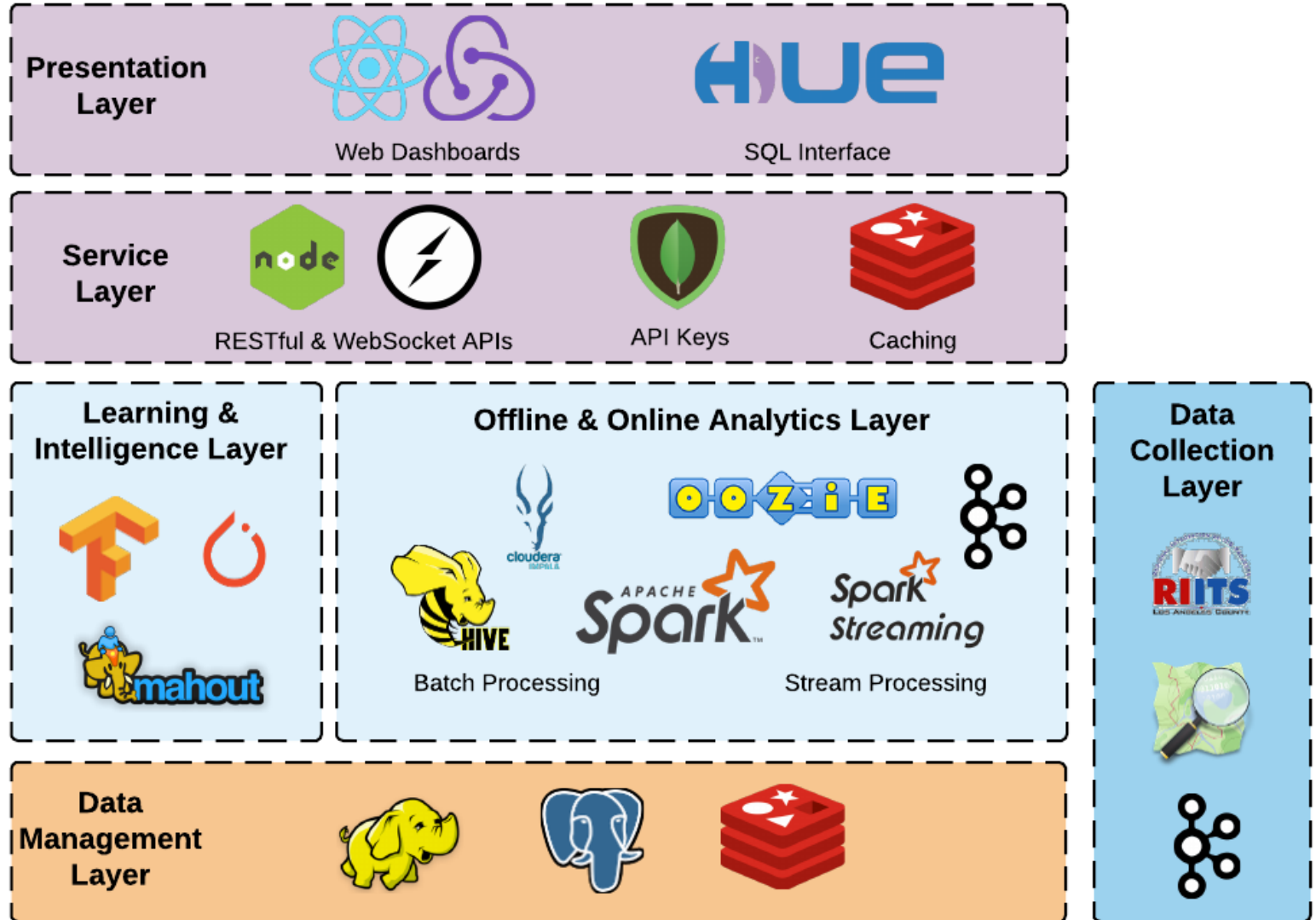
E.g., Traffic Forecasting  
(ICDM'13, KDD 16, SDM'17, ICLR'18)



# ADMSv2: The Architecture

- Decomposed into layers
  - Isolated
  - Independent
- Open-source Frameworks
  - Modern
  - Set-up anywhere

Chrysovalantis Anastasiou, Jianfa Lin, Chaoyang He, Yao-Yi Chiang, Cyrus Shahabi:  
ADMSv2: A Modern Architecture for Transportation Data Management and Analysis. ARIC@SIGSPATIAL 2019: 25-28



# ADMS Longevity



**2011  
ADMS RFP  
(Awarded to USC)**

**2011-2015  
ADMS Developed  
(Research/Prototype by USC)**

**2015-2016  
ADMS Extension  
(Awarded to USC)**

**2016-2019  
ADMS Production  
(Awarded to  
Parsons/USC Tech  
Transfer of ADMS)**

**2019-2024  
ADMS  
Operation &  
Maintenance**



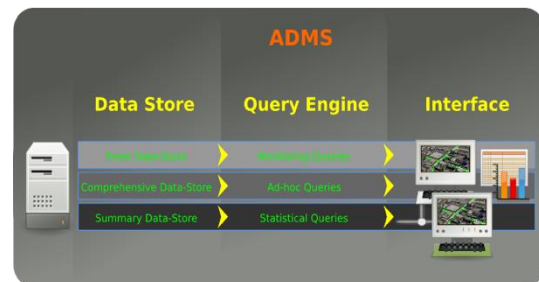
REVISED  
PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING  
APRIL 14, 2010

SUBJECT: CONTRACT NO. PS 4340-2301, ARCHIVE DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ADMS)

ACTION: AWARD A 3-YEAR FIRM FIXED PRICE CONTRACT TO METRANS TRANSPORTATION CENTER OF UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

**RECOMMENDATION**  
Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to award a 3-year firm fixed price contract, Contract No. PS 4340-2301, ADMS, to University of Southern California (USC) for Professional Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,799,210, effective May 3, 2010.

**RATIONALE**  
Over the last four years, the Regional Integration of Intelligent Transportation System (RIITS) network and program has been expanding to develop new interfaces with additional cities and transportation agencies such as Foothill Transit, Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT)/Metro Rapid Bus, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, California Highway Patrol, and Caltrans Districts 8 and 12. In addition, RIITS continues to be the primary source of real-time traffic congestion data for Los Angeles County 511, Information Service Providers (ISPs), and third party data users for distribution of congestion data under separate formats for public consumption.



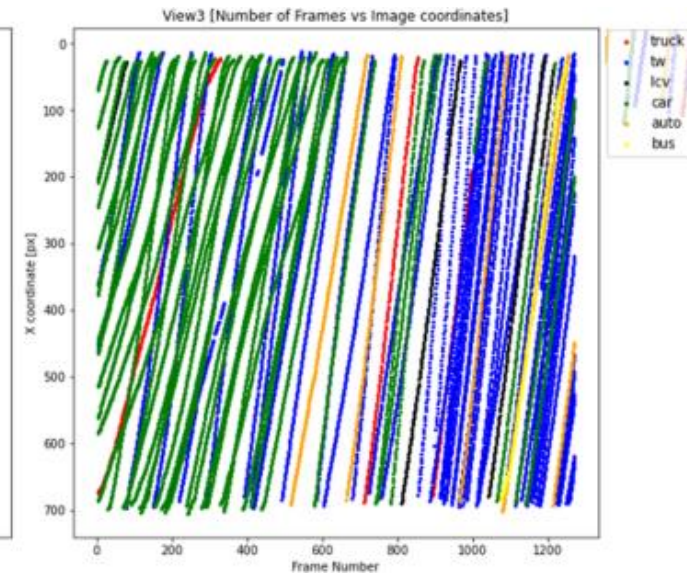
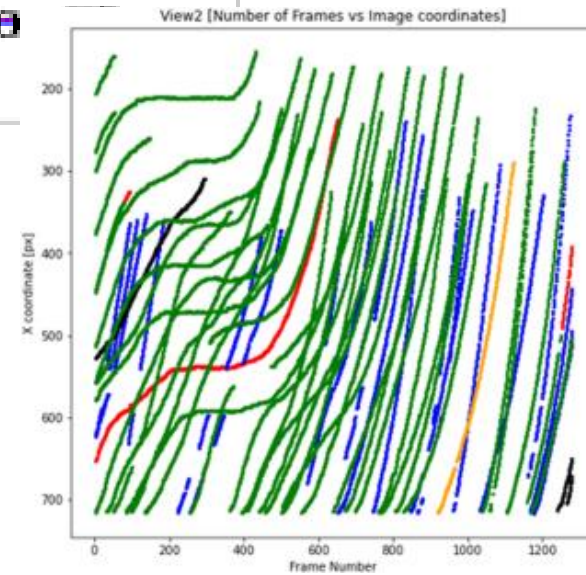
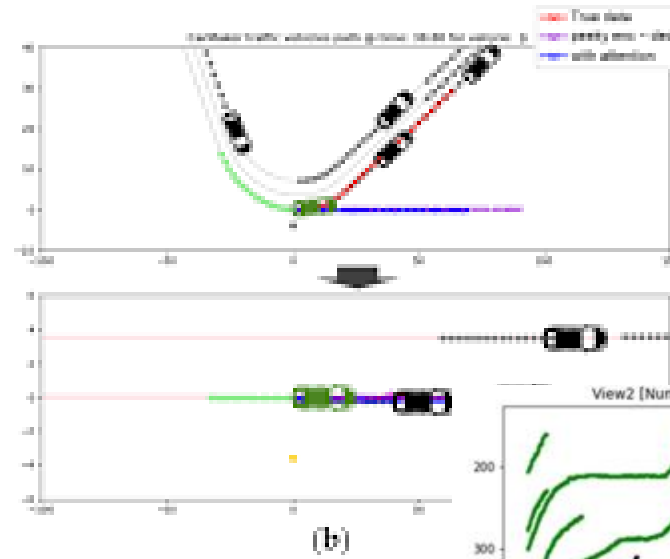
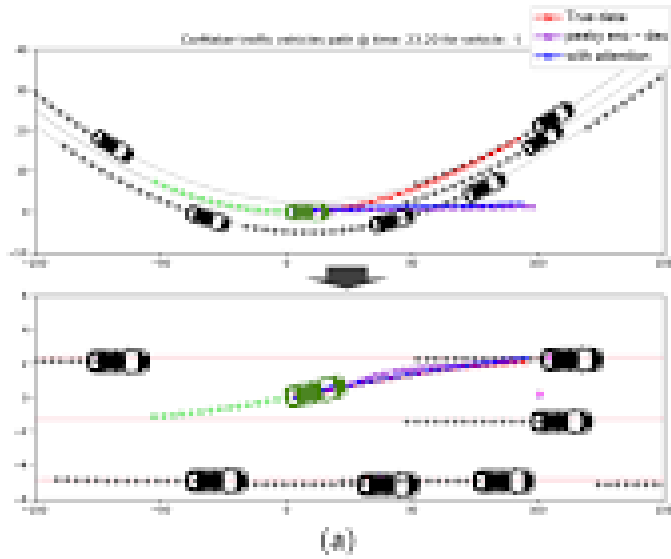
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Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
**Archived Data Management System Maintenance**  
RFP No. PS11430 ISSUED: 01.15.15



Los Angeles County  
Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
**Regional Integration of Intelligent Transportation Systems (RIITS) Modernization**  
RFP No. PS21002 ISSUED: 10.21.15



# Where does the traffic data currently come from?





# Outline

- Distance Computation
- Motivation
- Related Work
- Time-dependent  $A^*$  Search
- Experimental Evaluation

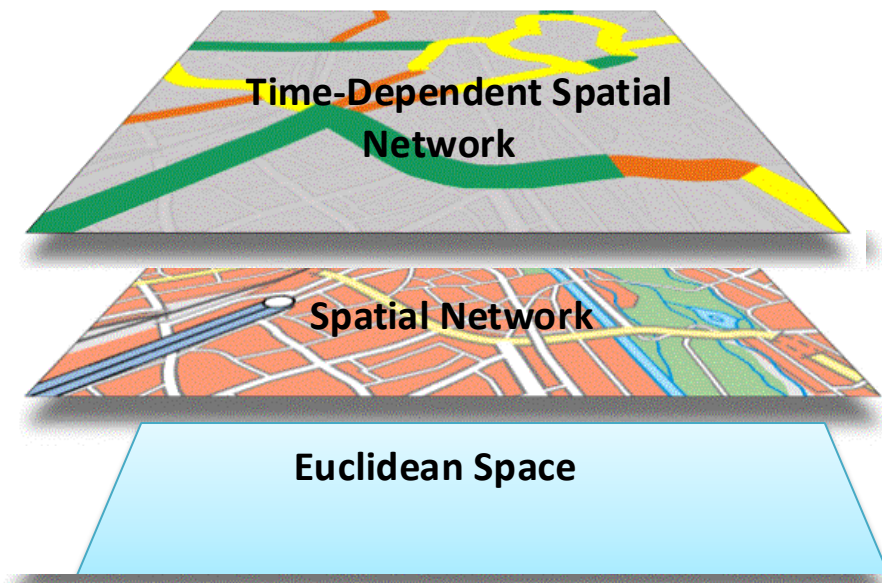


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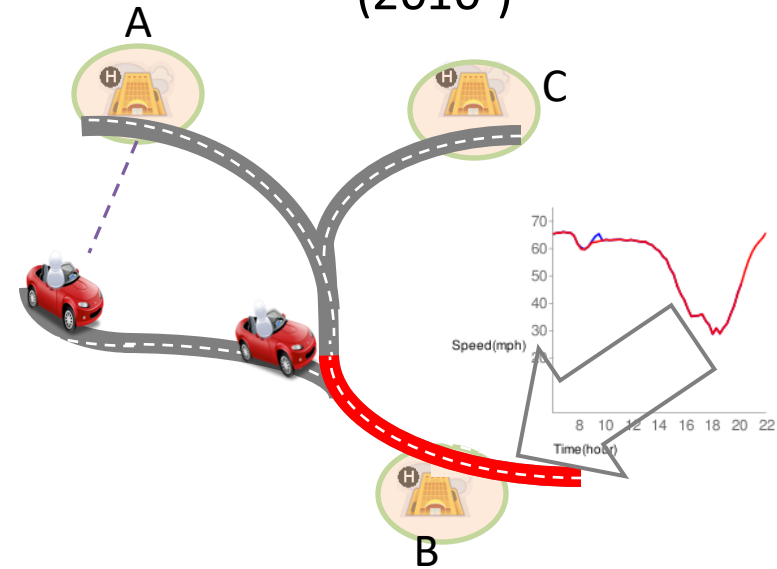
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# Distance Computation



Time-Dependent Spatial Network (2008-2010)  
 Spatial Network (2010-)

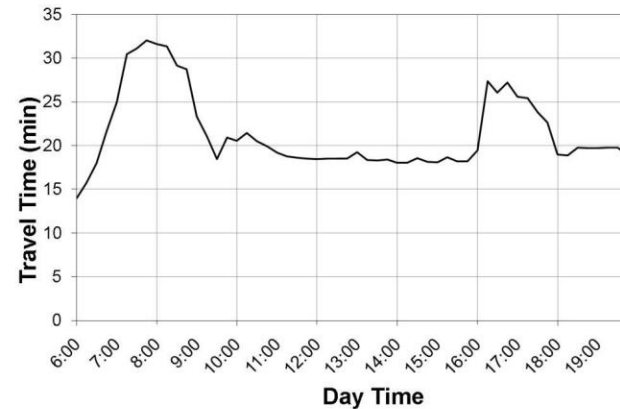


Edge weight change with time



# Problem Definition

- Given a time-dependent spatial network where edge weights are function of time



Source  $s$  and Destination  $d$

## **Time-dependent Fastest Path (TDFP)**

TDFP ( $s, d, t_s$ ) with respect to  $s, d$  and query time  $t_s$  finds *minimum travel time path* among all paths between  $s$  and  $d$

Challenge: Too big of a graph to find optimal path in real-time  
Typical Approach, Pre-computation, doesn't work



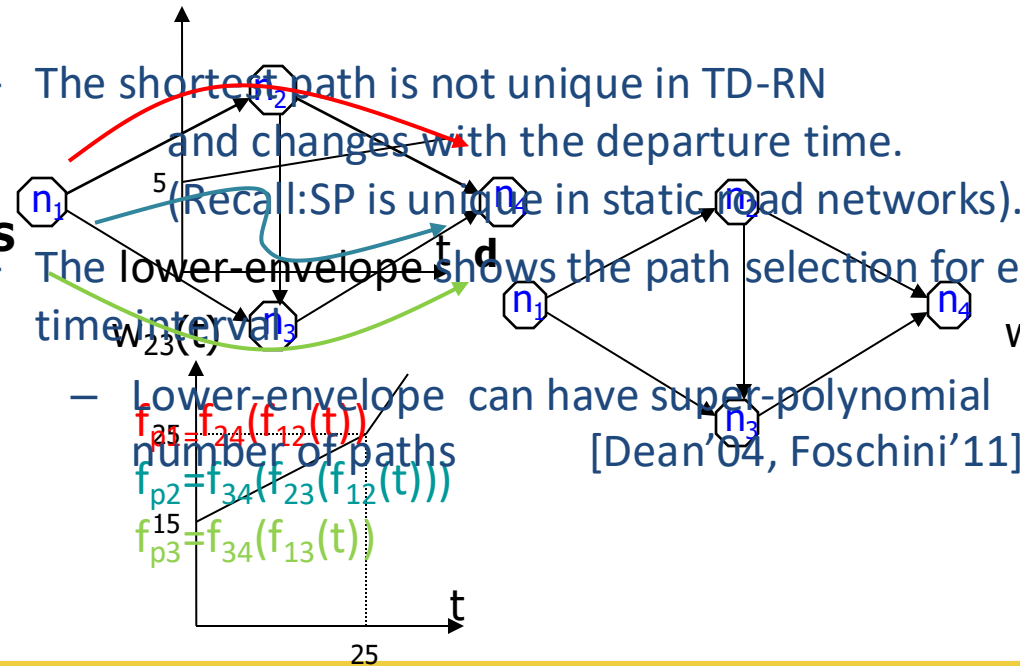


# Challenges

- Is Pre-computation feasible?
  - Compute and store all distance values between all pairs of nodes

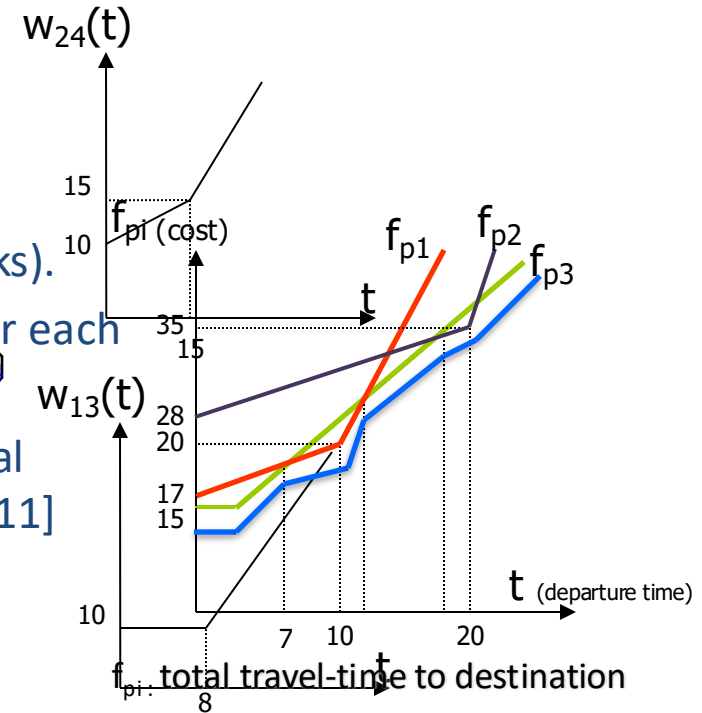
$w_{12}(t), w_{34}(t)$

- The shortest path is not unique in TD-RN and changes with the departure time. (Recall: SP is unique in static road networks).
- The lower-envelope shows the path selection for each time interval.
- Lower-envelope can have super-polynomial number of paths [Dean'04, Foschini'11]



$$f_{p2} = f_{34}(f_{23}(f_{12}(t)))$$

$$f_{p3} = f_{34}(f_{13}(t))$$



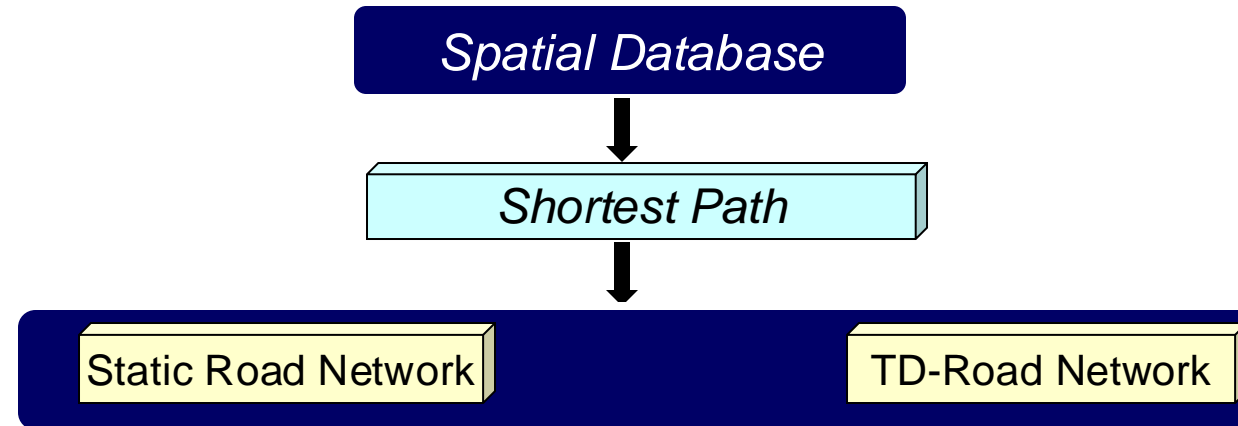


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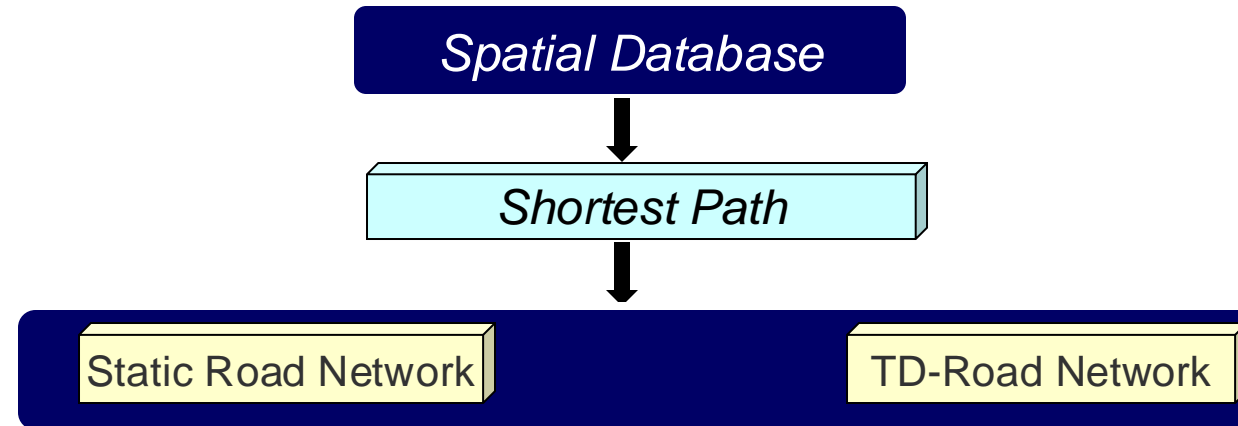
# Related Work



- Dijkstra [Numerische Mathematik 1959] GraphHopper & Valhalla & pgRouting (all w/ bi-directional)
- A\* [Hart, Nilsson & Raphael [Trans SSC 1968] GraphHopper & Valhalla & pgRouting (all w/ bi-directional)
- Precomputation:**
- Geometric speed-up techniques for finding SP, [Wagner et al., ESA'03]
- Engineering fast route planning algorithms, [Sanders et al., WEA'07]
- Hierarchical routing in RN, [Geisberger et al., WEA'08, Sanders ESA'06] GraphHopper (w/ bi-directional)
- SILC: Scalable network distance browsing [Samet et al., SIGMOD'08]
- Distance oracles for spatial networks [Sankaranarayan et al., TKDE'10]
- TEDI: Efficient Shortest Path Query Answering on Graphs [Wei, SIGMOD'11]
- Tiled routing (Valhalla) – No research paper ([https://valhalla.readthedocs.io/en/latest/mjolnir/why\\_tiles/](https://valhalla.readthedocs.io/en/latest/mjolnir/why_tiles/)) Valhalla



# Related Work



- Cooke & Halsey [JMAA'66]
- Dreyfus [OR'69] (Dijkstra Variant)      [Valhalla](#) (unidirectional only)
- Orda and Rom, [JACM'90] (Bellman F.)

### Precomputation:

**Inefficient:** high storage cost and long precomputation time

- Time-dependent SHARC [ Delling et al., ESA'09]
- Time-dependent Contraction Hierarchies [Batz et al. ALENEX'08]
- Time-dependent ALT [Delling & Wagner, WEA'07]
- Distributed Time-dependent *CH* [Kieritz et al., SEA'10]
- Core Routing on Dynamic TD RN [Delling et. al, INFORMS'11]



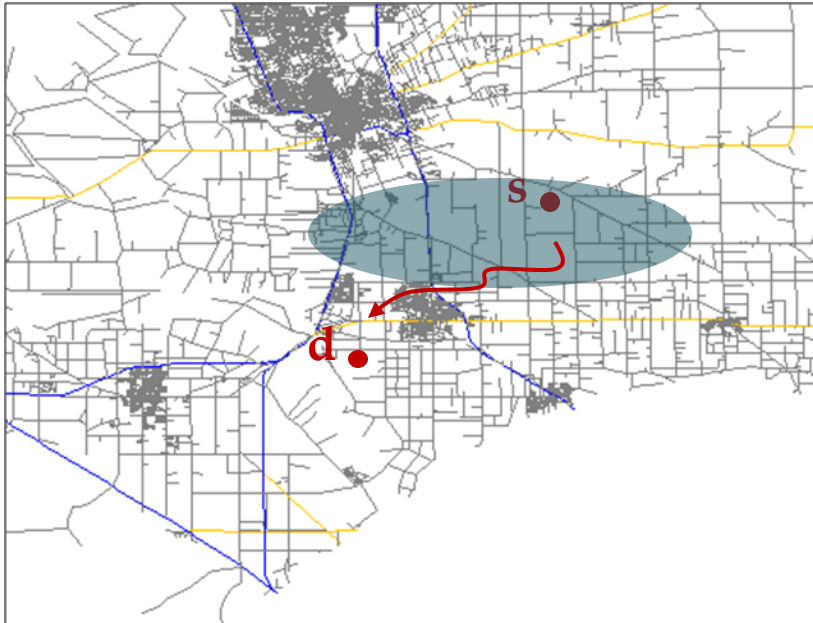
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# Preliminaries: Static Network



- Dijkstra vs. A\*

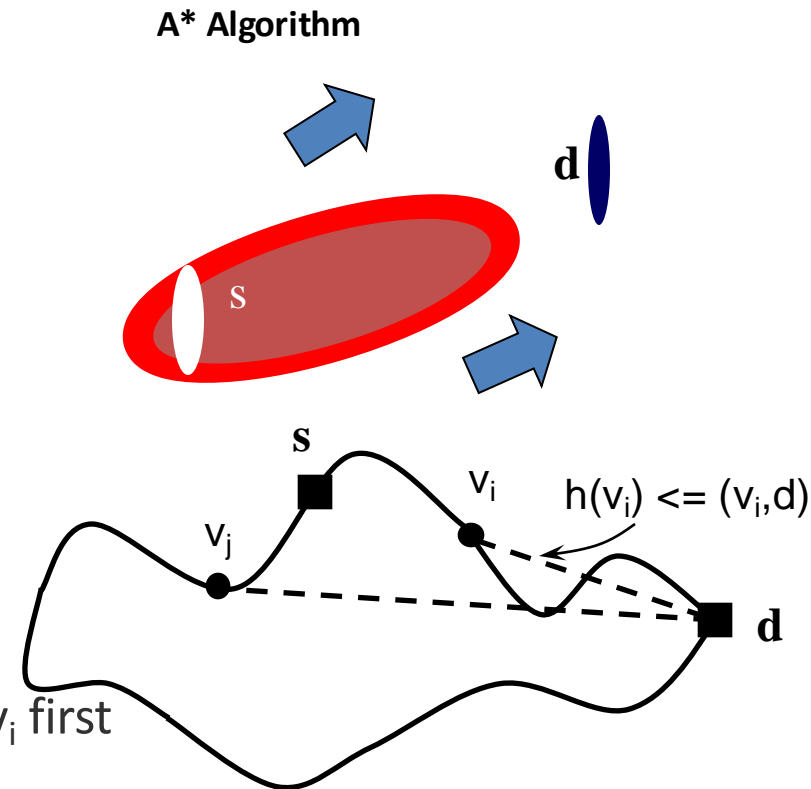


Problem: 48% of network nodes are scanned

Dijkstra: since  $(S, v_j) < (S, v_i)$ , expand  $v_j$  first

A\*: since  $(s, v_i) + h(v_i) < (s, v_j) + h(v_j)$ , expand  $v_i$  first

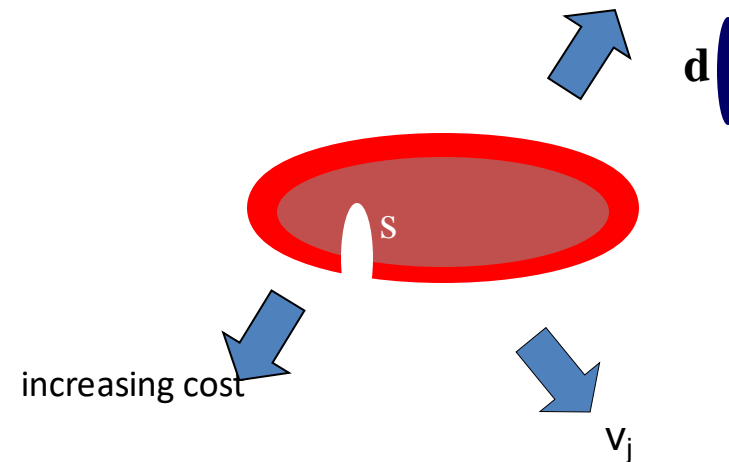
**Optimality Condition:**  $h(v_i)$  should not overestimate the actual distance between  $v_i$  and  $d$ .





# Preliminaries: Time-Dependent Network

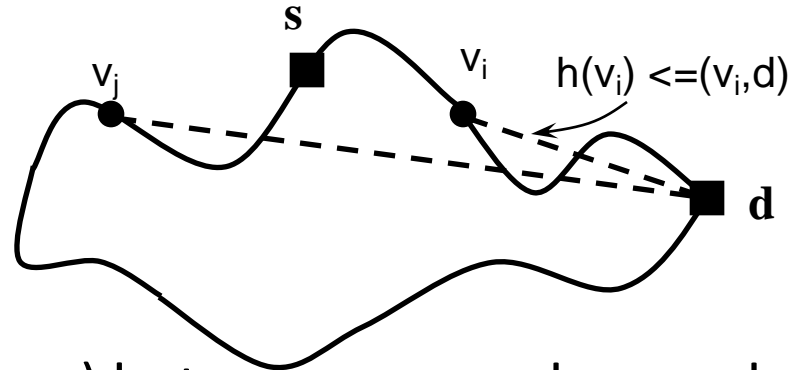
- The time-dependent shortest path problem can be solved by modifying Dijkstra Algorithm [**Dreyfus'69**]
  - **Greedy Algorithm:** Starting from  $s$ , the network nodes reachable from  $s$  in every direction are visited in order of their *arrival-time*





# Time-dependent A\* Search

- **Challenge:** Finding heuristic function  $h(v_i, d) \leq D(v_i, d, t)$  in TD Networks



- The distance (travel-time) between any node  $v_i$  and  $d$  changes in Time-dependent Road Networks
- $h(v_i, d)$  also needs to be time-dependent





# Time-dependent A\* Search (Naïve Approach)

- **Naïve Heuristic Function:**

$$\frac{D_{EUC}(v_i, d)}{\max(\text{speed})}$$

*Euclidean distance between  $v$  and  $d$  divided by the maximum speed among the edges*

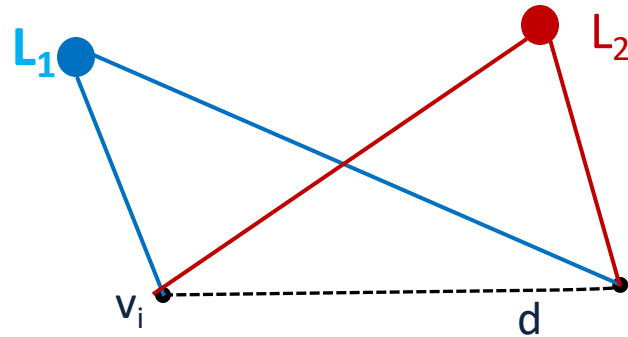
- **Guaranteed** to be a lower-bound as the distance between  $v$  and  $d$  is never overestimated
- **Problem:** It is a very **loose bound**, hence yields insignificant performance improvement

Chabini & Shan [Trans ITS'02]

# Time-dependent A\* Search



- **ALT- A\* with Landmark and Triangular Inequality:** Originally proposed to accelerate fastest path computation in static road networks [WEA'09]



- Landmark selection is difficult and relies on assumptions
- The size of the search space is severely affected by the location of landmarks [Potamias'09]
 
$$h(v_i, d) = \max(\text{dist}(L_1, d) - \text{dist}(L_1, v_i), (\text{dist}(L_2, v_i) - \text{dist}(L_2, d)))$$
- So far **no optimal strategy (NP-Hard)** with respect to landmark selection and random queries has been found [Potamias'09]
- **Space inefficient:** need to store precomputed distances from each node to each landmark



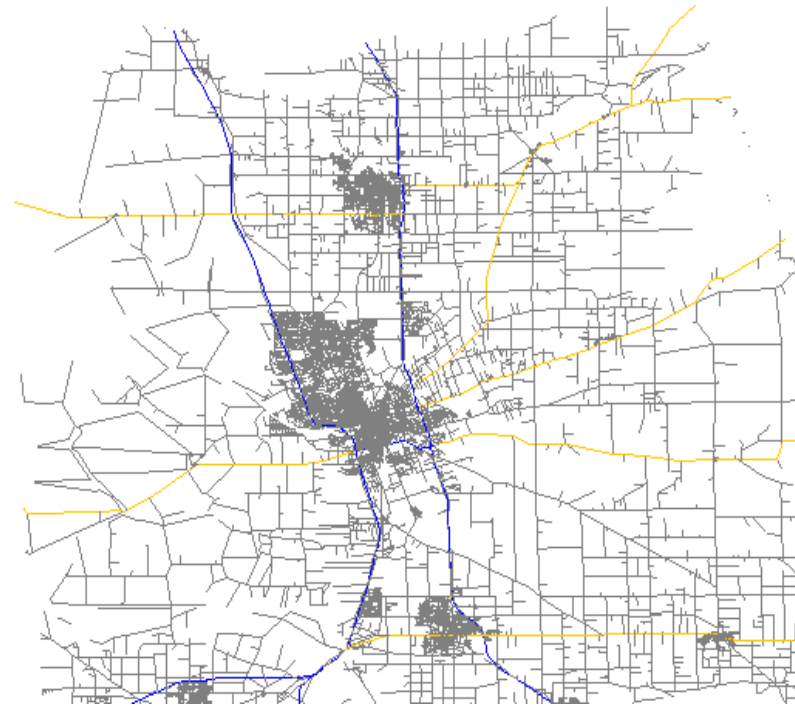
# Time-dependent A\* Search

- Goal:
  - Find a  $h(v_i)$  that will **never overestimate** the time-dependent travel-time between  $v_i$  and  $d$ . This is necessary for **Exact** results
  - $h(v_i)$  should be as **close as possible to actual** distances for **Efficient** processing of fastest path computation
- Approach:
  - **Step 1:** Partition the road network into non-overlapping partitions (**Offline**)
  - **Step 2:** Precompute  $h(v_i)$  using distances in and between the non-overlapping partitions (**Offline**)



# Time-dependent A\* Search (Our Approach)

- **Step 1: Partition** the road network using network hierarchies
  - Partition the road network to highways (highest level)

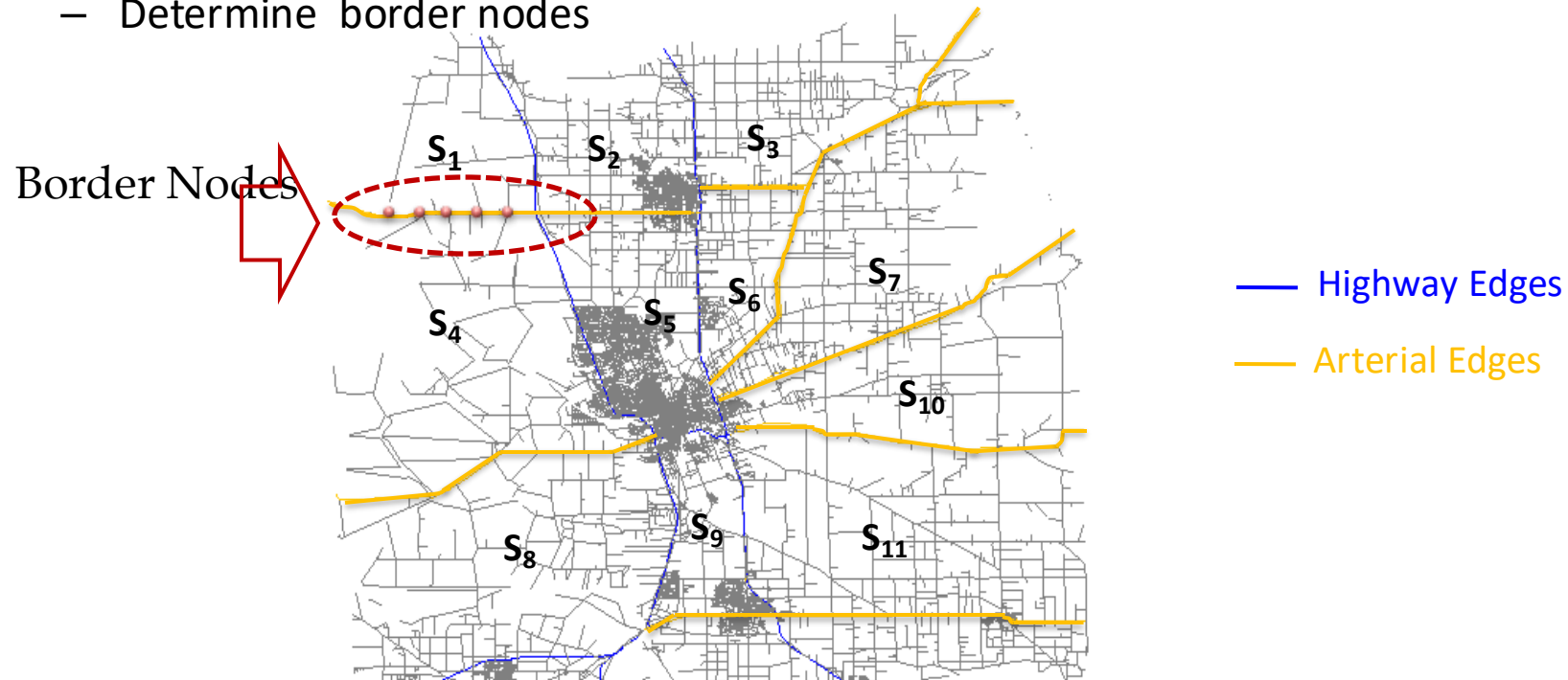


— Highway Edges

# Time-dependent A\* Search



- **Step 1: Partition** the road network using network hierarchies
  - Partition the road network using highest level roads (i.e., highways)
  - Partition each partition using lower level road network (i.e., arterials)
  - Determine border nodes

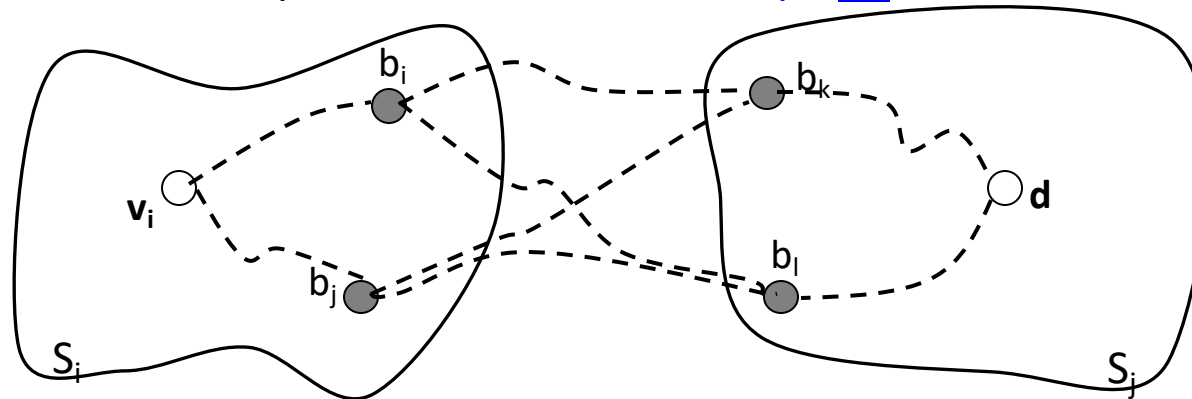


*Our algorithm yields correct results with all non-overlapping partitioning algorithms*

# Time-dependent A\* Search



- **Step 2: Compute intra and inter distance labels**
  - **Intra:** fastest path in **Lower-bound Graph  $G$**  (where edge weights are travel-time, i.e., fastest speed) from each node  $v_i$  to border nodes and border nodes to  $v_i$
  - **Inter :** fastest path in **Lower-bound Graph  $G$**  between border nodes



- Only store the minimum of node-to-border, border-to-border, and border-to-node travel times

$$LTT(v_i, b_i) = \arg \min( LTT(v_i, b_i), LTT(v_i, b_j) )$$

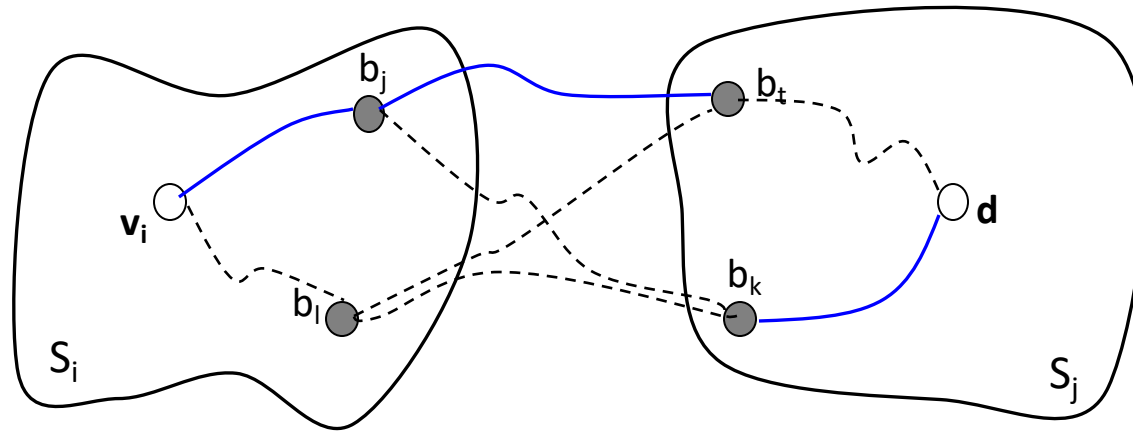
$$LTT(b_l, d) = \arg \min( LTT(b_k, d), LTT(b_l, d) )$$

$$LTT(b_i, b_k) = \arg \min( LTT(b_i, b_k), LTT(b_i, b_l), LTT(b_j, b_k), LTT(b_j, b_l) )$$



# Time-dependent A\* Search

- **Lemma:**  $h(v_i, d)$  based on intra and inter distance labels is lower-bound of  $TDFP(v_i, d, t)$ :



- **Proof:**  $h(v_i, d) \leq TDFP(v_i, d, t_{v_i})$

$$LTT(v_i, b_i) \leq TDFP(v_i, b_i, t_{v_i}), \quad LTT(b_i, b_t) \leq TDFP(b_i, b_t, t_{b_i}),$$

$$LTT(b_k, d) \leq TDFP(b_k, d, t_{b_k})$$

$$h(v_i, d) = LTT(v_i, b_i) + LTT(b_i, b_t) + LTT(b_k, d) \leq TDFP(v_i, d, t_{v_i})$$



# Time-dependent A\* Search

- **Low Storage Overhead**

- Only partition, node-to-border and border-to-node information is added to each node  $v_i$
- Border-to-border information is a small fraction of the all network

Node	Partition	Node-to-Border	Border-to-Node
$n_1$	$S_1$	$b_{1,5}$	$b_{1,7}$
$n_2$	$S_1$	$b_{2,6}$	$b_{3,4}$
....	....	....	....
$n_{41}$	$S_9$	$b_{17,3}$	$b_{15,6}$
$n_n$	$S_k$	$b_{u,x}$	$b_{v,y}$

Node-to-Border (Intra)

Border	Border	Distance	Partition
$b_1$	$b_3$	14	$S_1, S_4$
$b_1$	$b_{41}$	18	$S_1, S_3$
$b_1$	$b_{15}$	12	$S_4, S_1$
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$b_n$	$b_k$	....	

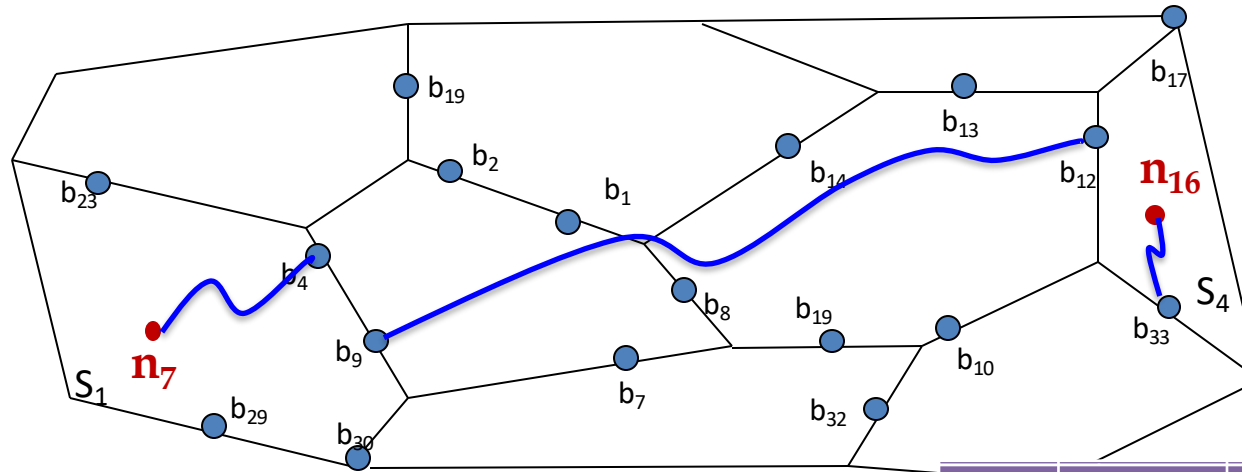
Border-to-Border (Inter)





# Time-dependent A\* Search

- **Fast  $h(v_i, d)$  computation**
  - $h(v_i, d)$  is computed by simple table look-ups (nanoseconds)



- **Efficient updates**      $h(n_7, d) = 6+18+5$ 
  - Distance labels are only updated if lower-bound distances changed

Node	Partition	Node-to-Border	Border-to-Node
$n_6$	$S_1$	$b_{23}, 5$	$b_{23}, 7$
$n_7$	$S_1$	$b_4, 6$	$b_9, 4$
....	....	....	....
$n_{16}$	$S_4$	$b_{17}, 3$	$b_{33}, 5$
$n_n$	$S_k$	$b_{u,x}$	$b_{v,y}$



# Time-dependent A\* Search

- Can we further improve the performance of unidirectional TD A\* search?

## Bidirectional Time-dependent A\* Search





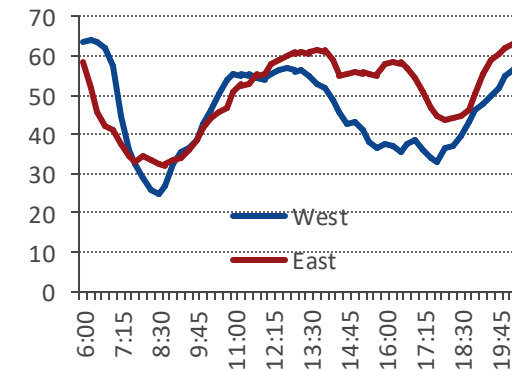
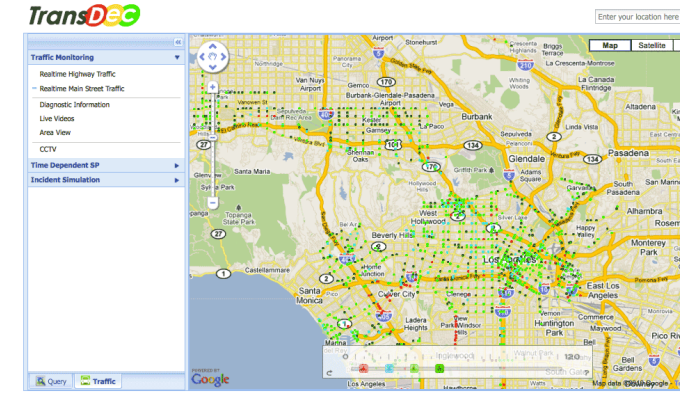
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# Experimental Evaluation



- **Road Network Dataset (obtained from Navteq)**
  - Los Angeles (LA) Network with 304,162 nodes
  - California (CA) Network with 1,965,300 nodes
- **Time-dependent Network Data (obtained from ADMS)**
  - LA Metro, Price School of Public Policy and IMSC
  - 6500 Sensors on freeways and arterials in LA
    - 1 sensor/reading per minute
    - Collecting and archiving past 2 years
- **Experimental Setup:**
  - A server with 2.7 GHz Pent. Duo Core Proc. and 12GB RAM
  - Source, destination and departure time  $t_s$  are determined uniformly at random
  - Average results computed from 1000 random s-d queries

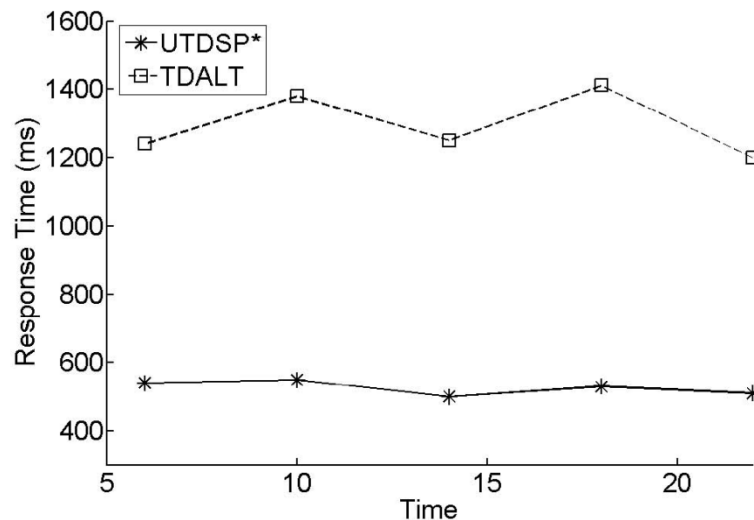


# Experimental Evaluation



- **Comparison with TD-ALT**

- TD-ALT: Determine 64 landmarks based on maxCover (best known landmark selection algorithm)
- TDFP: Divide CA network to 64 partitions



Derived from 1000 random s-d queries

## Response Time:

– TD-ALT very loose bounds based on the randomly selected *s* and *d*, and hence the large search space.

## Storage:

– TD-ALT attaches each node an array of 64 elements. Total Storage = 63 MB for CA

– TDFP attaches each node an array of 2 elements (intra distance labels) and b-to-b. Total Storage=8.5 MB for CA

# More



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# More



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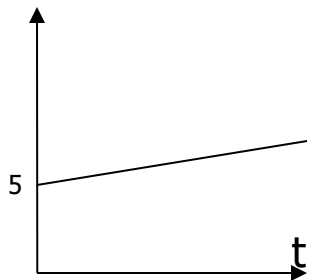
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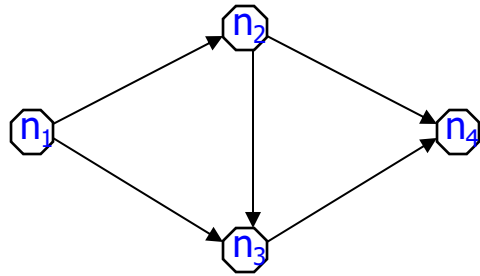
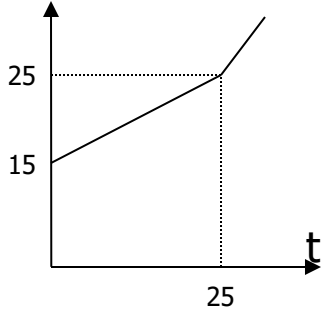


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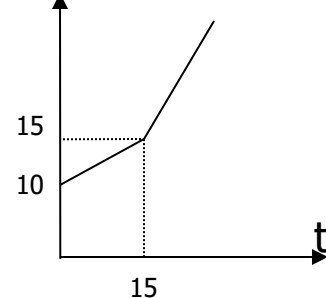
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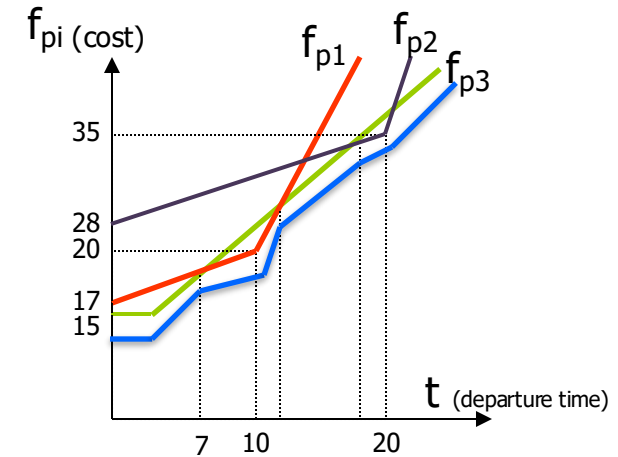
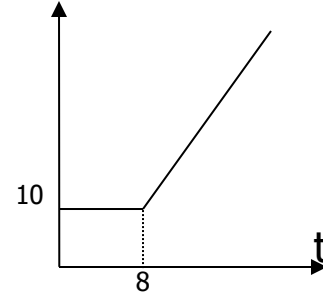
$w_{23}(t)$



$w_{24}(t)$



$w_{13}(t)$



$f_{pi}$ : total travel-time to destination



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+ Depart at ▾ Options

🕒 7:45 AM 📅 Mon, Apr 18

📱 [Send directions to your phone](#)

🚗 **via I-405 N** typically 55 min - 1 hr 30 min  
Arrive around 9:15 AM  
46.2 miles  
Details

🚗 **via I-5 N** typically 1 hr - 1 hr 40 min  
Arrive around 9:25 AM  
44.7 miles

🚗 **via I-5 N and I-10 W** typically 1 hr - 1 hr 40 min  
Arrive around 9:25 AM  
42.1 miles

🔍 Explore USC Viterbi School of Engineering

🚗 **1 hr - 1 hr 40 min**  
 44.7 miles

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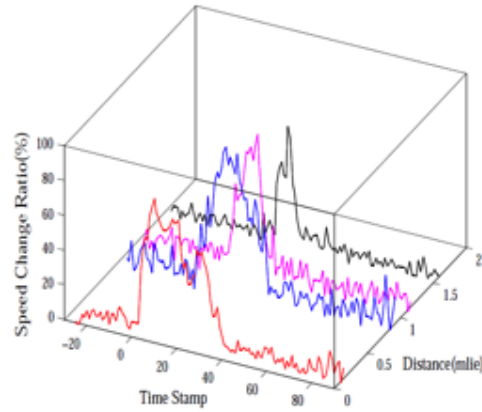
# Research: Traffic Forecasting *(Learn & Be Curious)*



Single sensor

Time series analysis

*ICDM'2012*



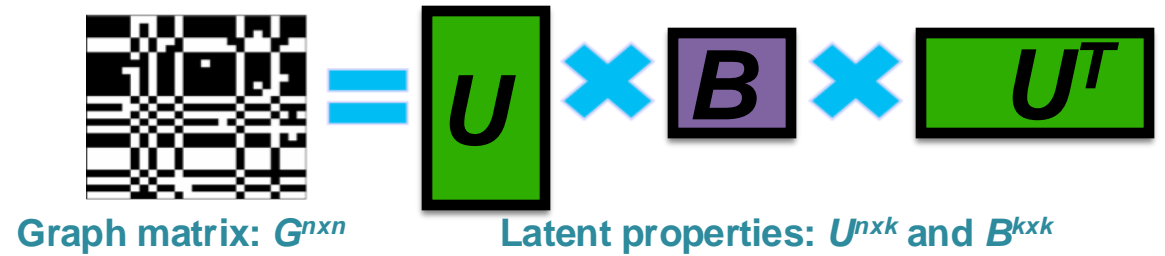
Single sensor

Causality

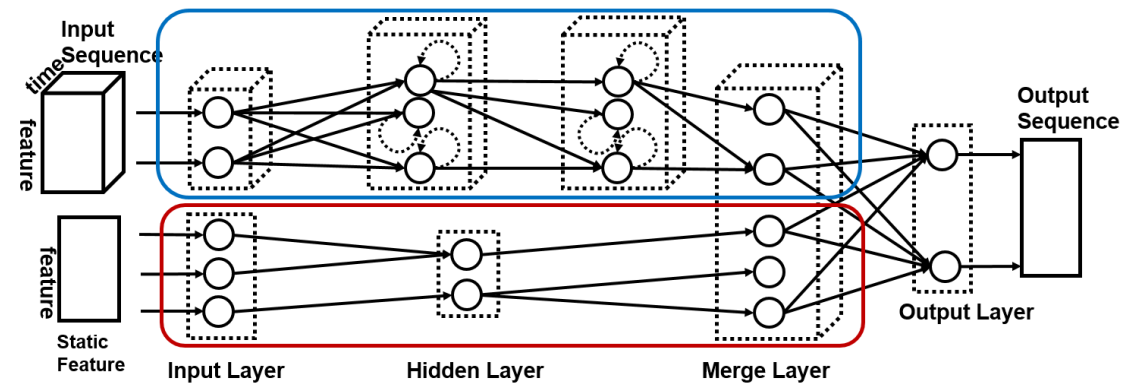
*ICDM'2013*

Multi sensor

Latent Space -- *SIGKDD'2016*



Multi sensor Deep Learning *SDM'2017, ICLR'18*



# More

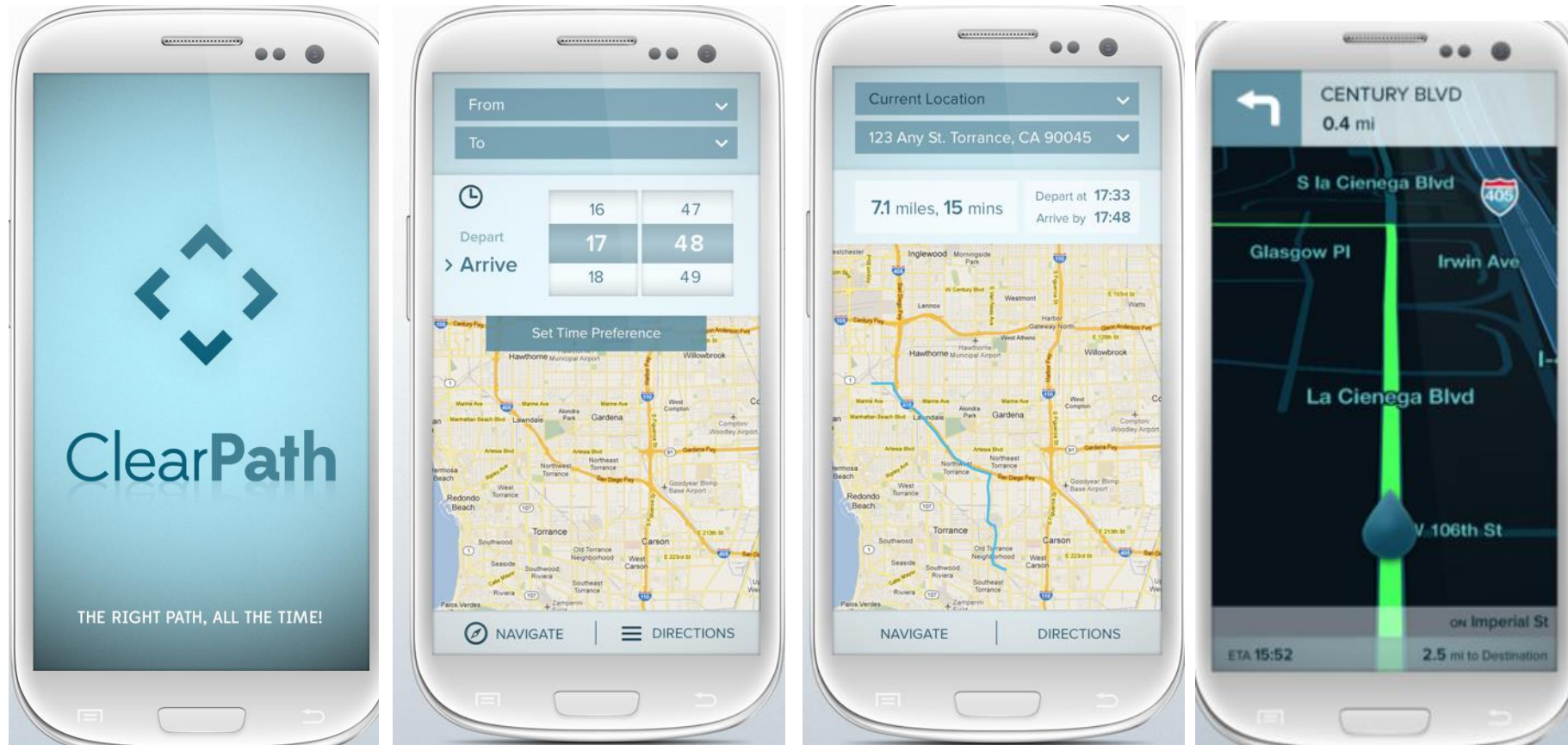


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# B2C App: ClearPath

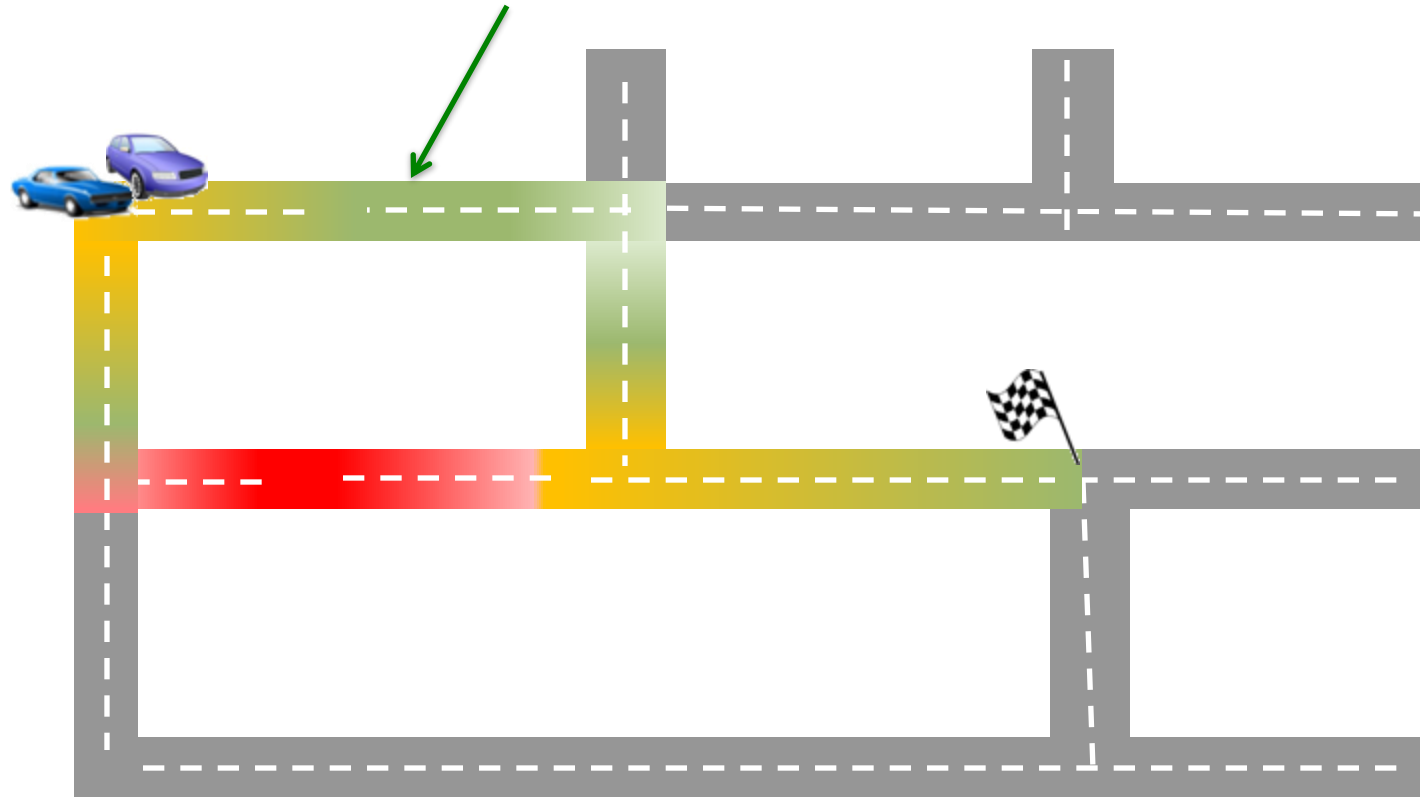


Main Differentiator: Predictive Path Planning



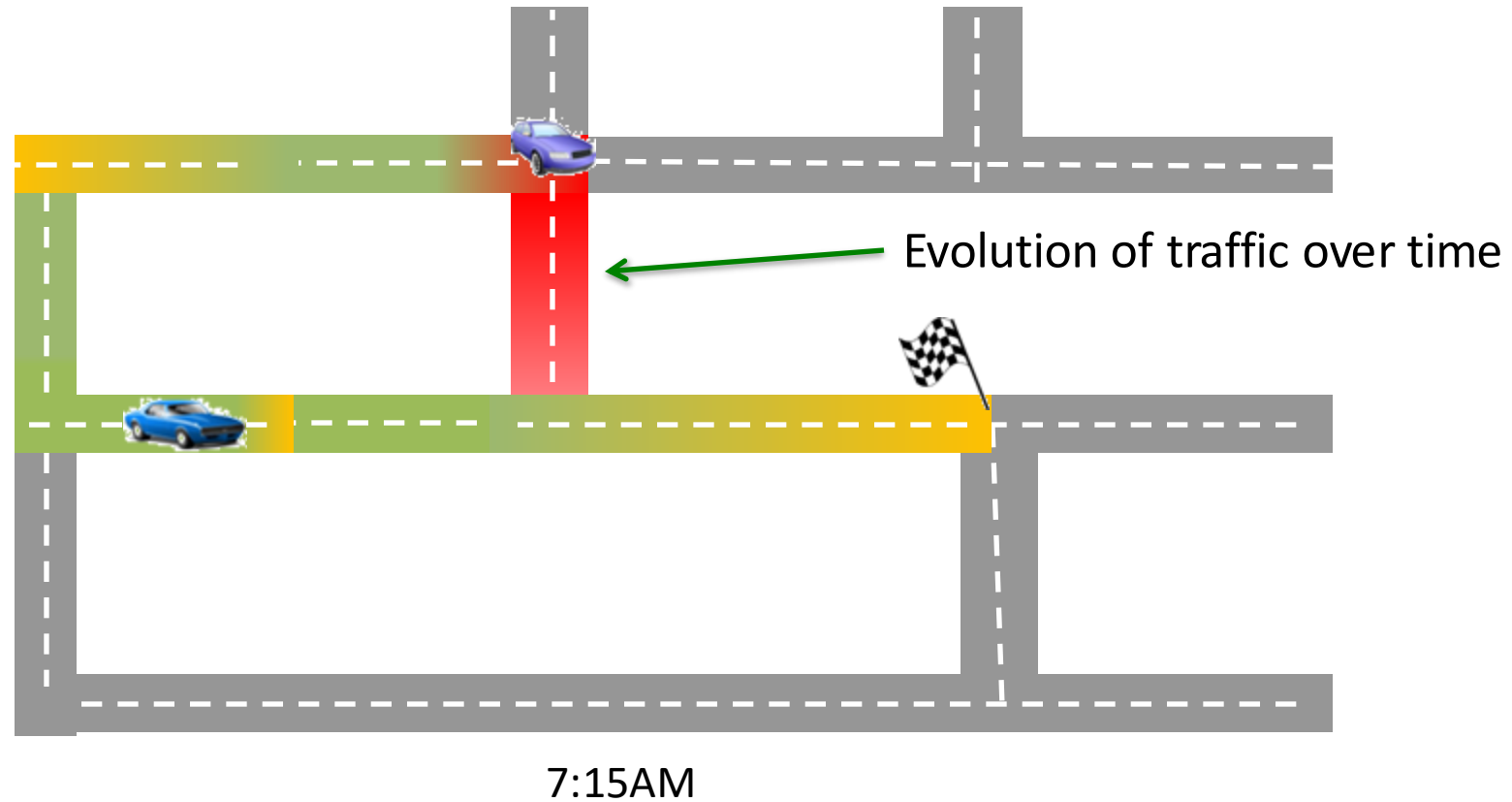
# Predictive vs. Real-Time Path-Planning

Best Route based on current conditions



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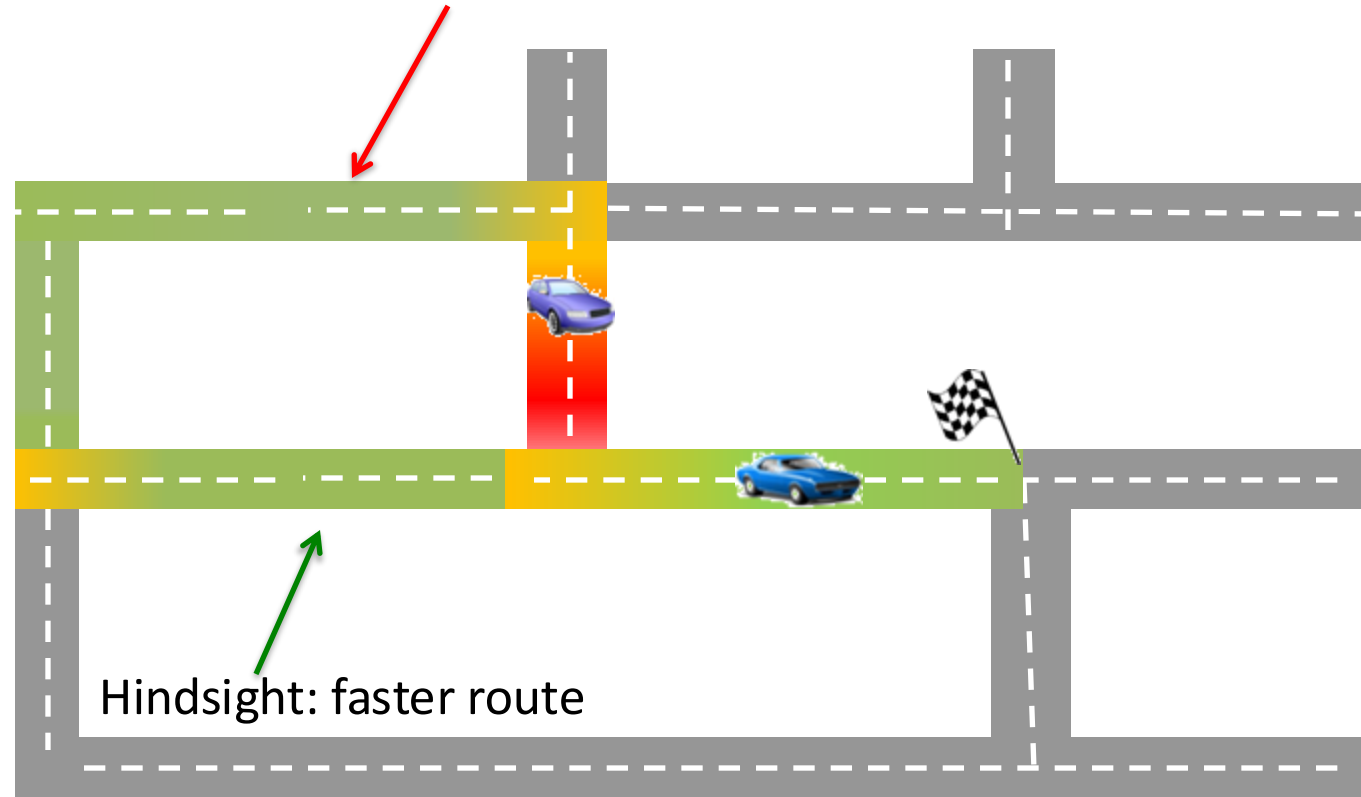
# Predictive vs. Real-Time Path-Planning



# Predictive vs. Real-Time Path-Planning



Hindsight: slower route



Hindsight: faster route

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# Google Option #1



Driving directions to USC McCarthy Way, Los Angeles, CA 90007

- 1. Head northeast on W Washington Blvd toward Michael Ave
- 2. Turn left onto Beethoven St
- 3. Turn right onto Venice Blvd
- 4. Turn left onto S Centinela Ave
- 5. Continue onto S Bundy Dr
- 6. Turn right to merge onto I-10 E/Santa Monica Fwy
- 7. Take exit 13 toward Convention Center/Grand Ave
- 8. Take exit 20C toward Adams Blvd
- 9. Merge onto Figueroa Way

USC McCarthy Way  
Los Angeles, CA 90007

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**Thursday**  
**Source: W**  
**Washington**  
**Bld &**  
**Beethoven St**  
**Destination:**  
**USC**



# Google Option #2



Driving directions to USC McCarthy Way, Los Angeles, CA 90007

- 1. Head southwest on W Washington Blvd toward Tivoli Ave
- 2. Turn left onto S Lincoln Blvd
- 3. Turn left onto CA-90 E
- 4. Take exit 2 to merge onto I-405 N toward Sacramento
- 5. Take exit 53B for Santa Monica Fwy
- 6. Keep right at the fork and merge onto I-10 E/Santa Monica Fwy
- 7. Take exit 13 toward Convention Center/Grand Ave
- 8. Take exit 20C toward Adams Blvd
- 9. Merge onto Figueroa Way

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# Google Option #3



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- 1. Head southwest on W Washington Blvd toward Tivoli Ave
- 2. Turn left onto S Lincoln Blvd
- 3. Turn left onto CA-90 E
- 4. Take exit 2 to merge onto I-405 S toward Long Beach
- 5. Take exit 45 for I-105 E toward Norwalk
- 6. Turn right onto Interstate 105 E
- 7. Take exit 7B for I-110 N/I-110 S toward Los Angeles/San Pedro
- 8. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for Interstate 110 N/Los Angeles and merge onto I-110 N
- 9. Take exit 20B for Exposition Blvd toward 37th St

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**Bld &**  
**Beethoven St**  
**Destination:**  
**USC**

# ClearPath



**CLEARPATH** Travel-time: 22 minutes Distance: 11.95 miles Accidents: 0 [Information](#)

**A** W Washington Blvd & Beethoven St los  
**B** Usc McCarthy Way, Los Angeles, CA

⌚ Depart At  Arrive By **09:00 AM**

Day of Departure **Friday**

**No Carpool**

[Get Directions](#)

[TurnByTurn](#)

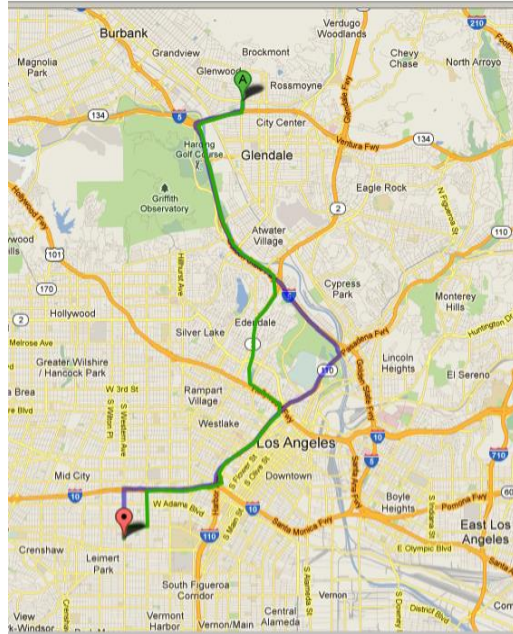
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➡ Turn slight left W WASHINGTON BLVD	1.24
➡ Turn left onto CULVER BLVD	0.15
➡ Turn right onto WASHINGTON BLVD	1.60
➡ Turn slight right W WASHINGTON BLVD	0.05
➡ Merge via left ramp and go straight onto ROSA PARKS FWY,SANTA MONICA FWY,I-10;	4.42
➡ Turn to move on HARBOR FWY,I-110;	0.70
➡ Take exit on EXPOSITION BLVD	0.30
➡ Merge ahead onto EXPOSITION BLVD	0.09
➡ Turn right onto S FIGUEROA ST	0.16

**8:00 AM**  
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# Comparisons (Saved Time)

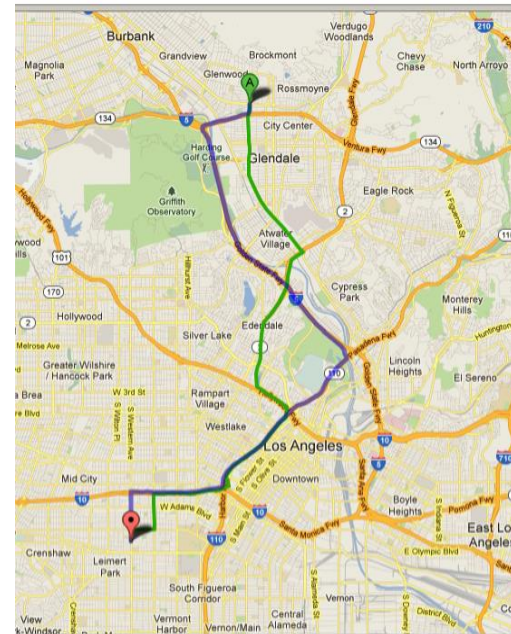
Glendale → USC



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ClearPath:22min

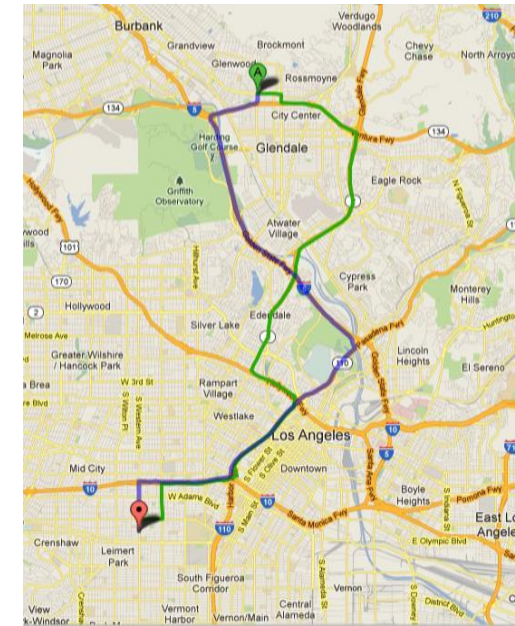
Google:21min, 42min w traffic



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ClearPath:26min

Google:21min, 42min w traffic



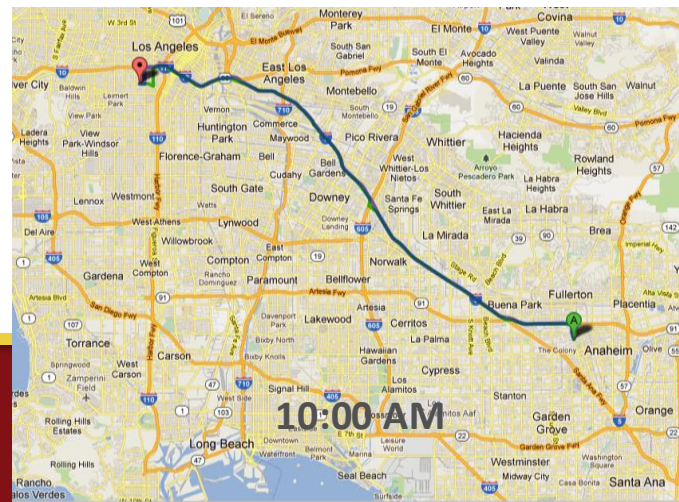
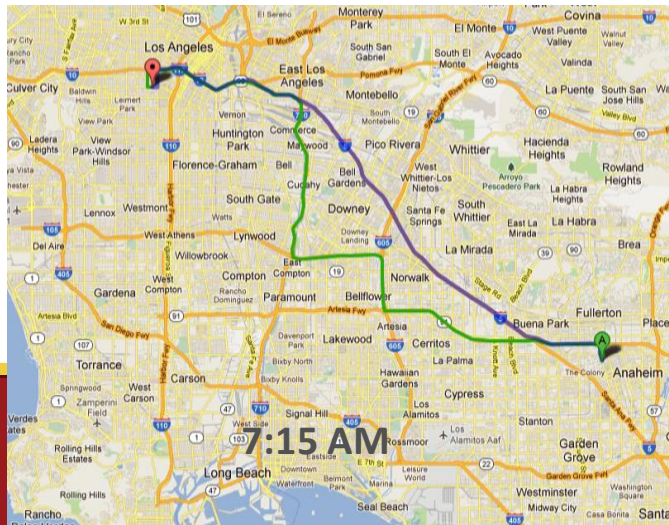
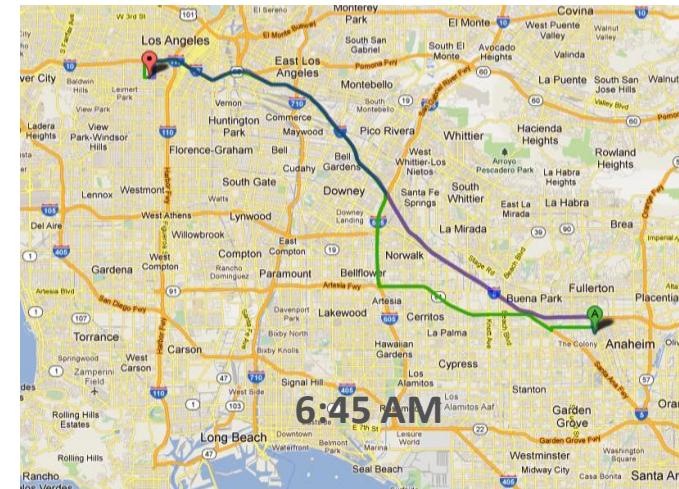
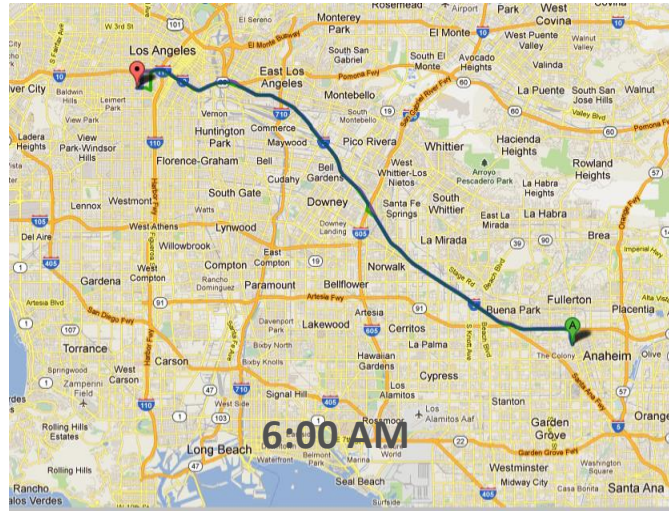
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Google:21min, 42min w traffic

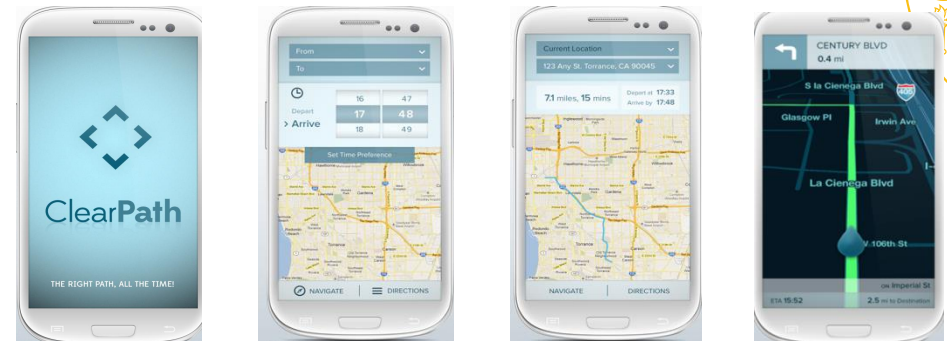
# Comparisons (Path Alternatives)

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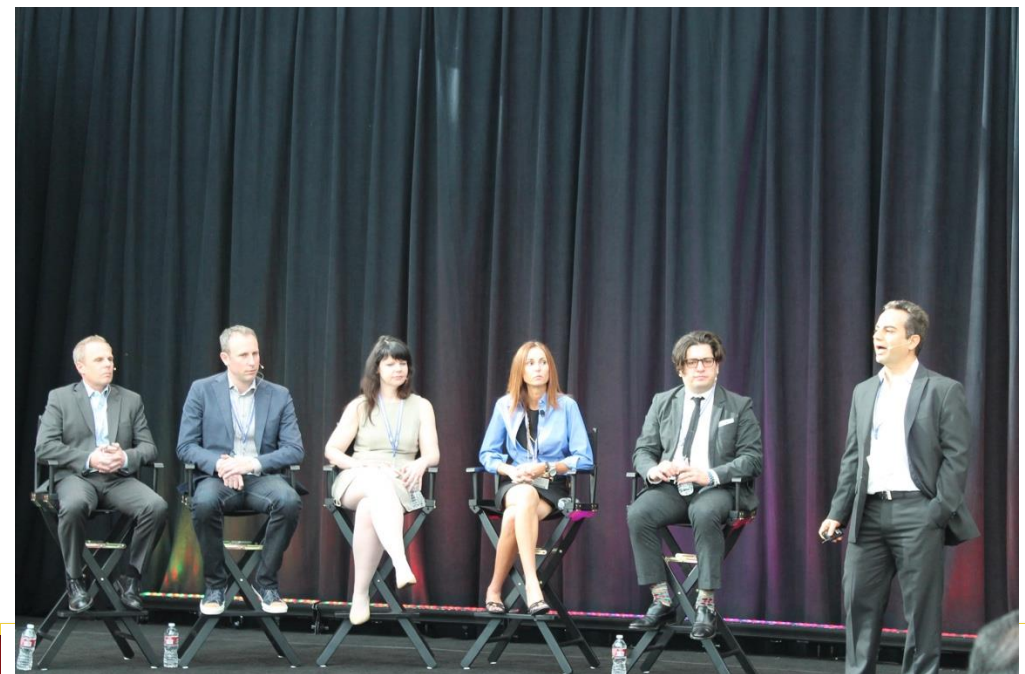


# Tech-Transfer -- ClearPath

- IdeasEmpowered 2012 (USC competition)
- Spinoff in 2013
- Licensed technology from USC in Dec. 2014
- Raised \$1.2M funding from group of investors
  - 10 Employees
  - Built on state-of-the art infrastructure – Spark, Cassandra
  - B2C business model (didn't work! Cost of User Acquisition)
- New App in 2015: TALLYgo

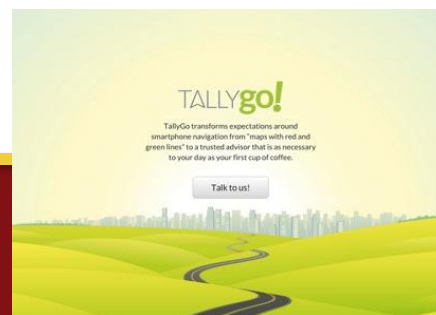


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BUSINESS & ECONOMY

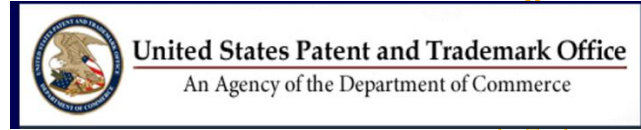
LA Auto Show 2013: Connected Car Expo unveils apps that bark, predict, navigate





<http://www.voanews.com/content/traffic-technology-clearpath/1616682.html>

# TallyGo Exit (*Disagree & Commit*)

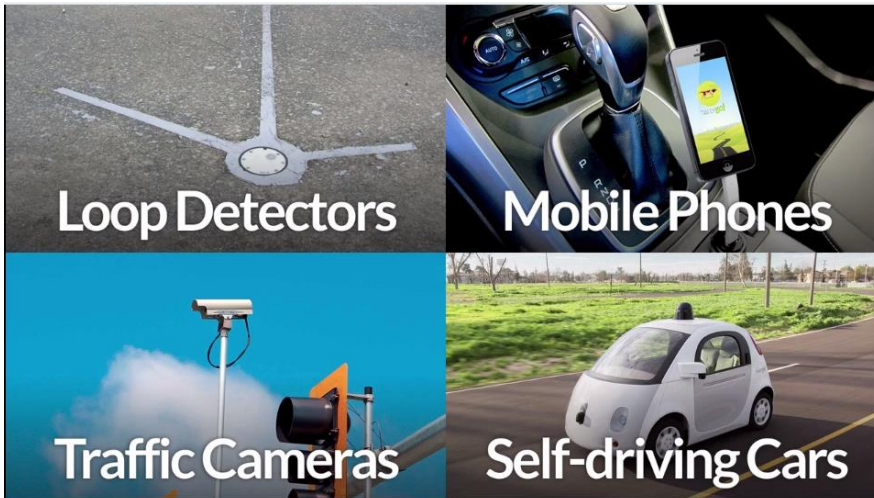
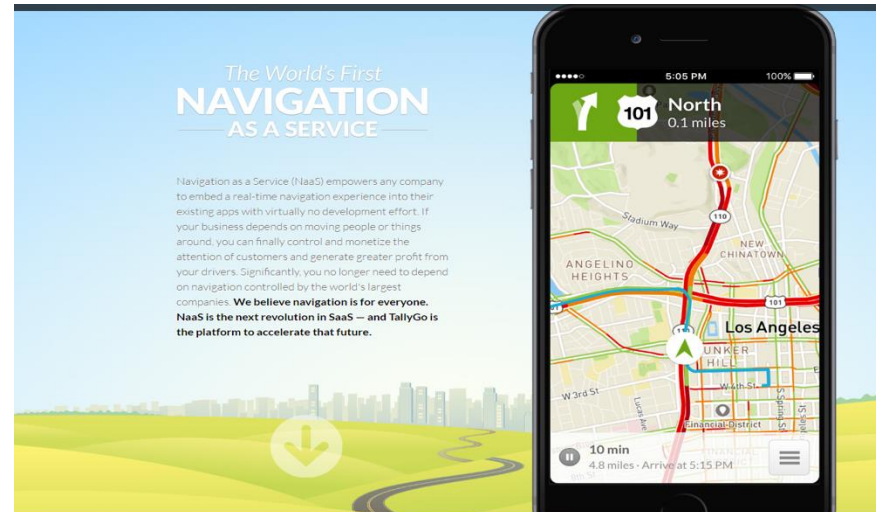


**US Patent No. 9,286,793**  
 Traffic prediction using real-world transportation data  
*March 15, 2016*

**US Patent No. 8,660,789**  
 Hierarchical & exact fastest path computation in time-dependent spatial networks  
*February 2014*

**US Patent No. 8,566,030**  
 Efficient K-nearest neighbor search in time-dependent spatial networks  
*October 2013*

- New business B2B model (API)
  - LAFD Deployment
- Acquired in March 2019





# More



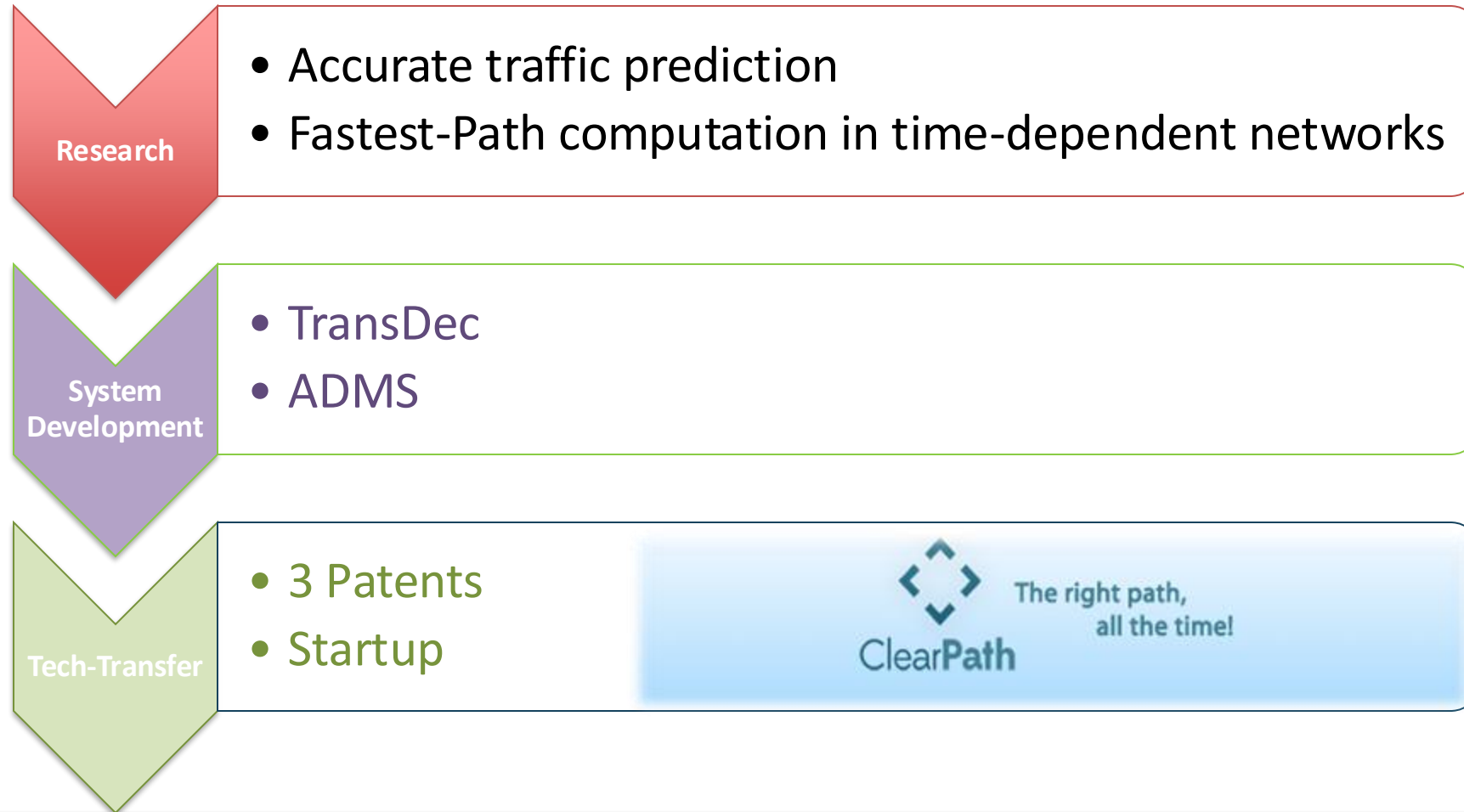
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# Conclusion





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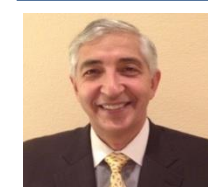
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# Where did the student go?



- Time-dependent Route Planning + ADMS & Foundry Development



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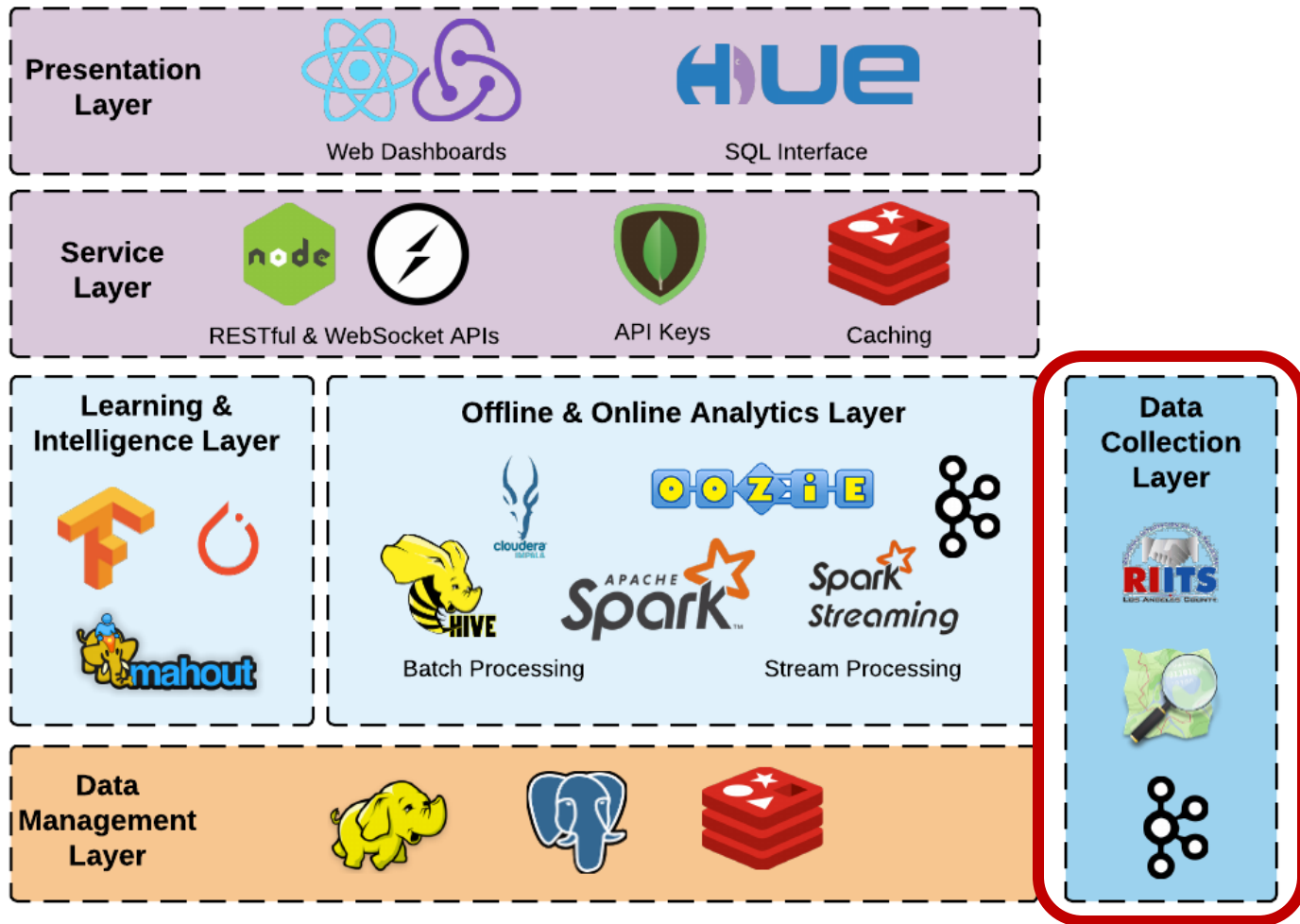




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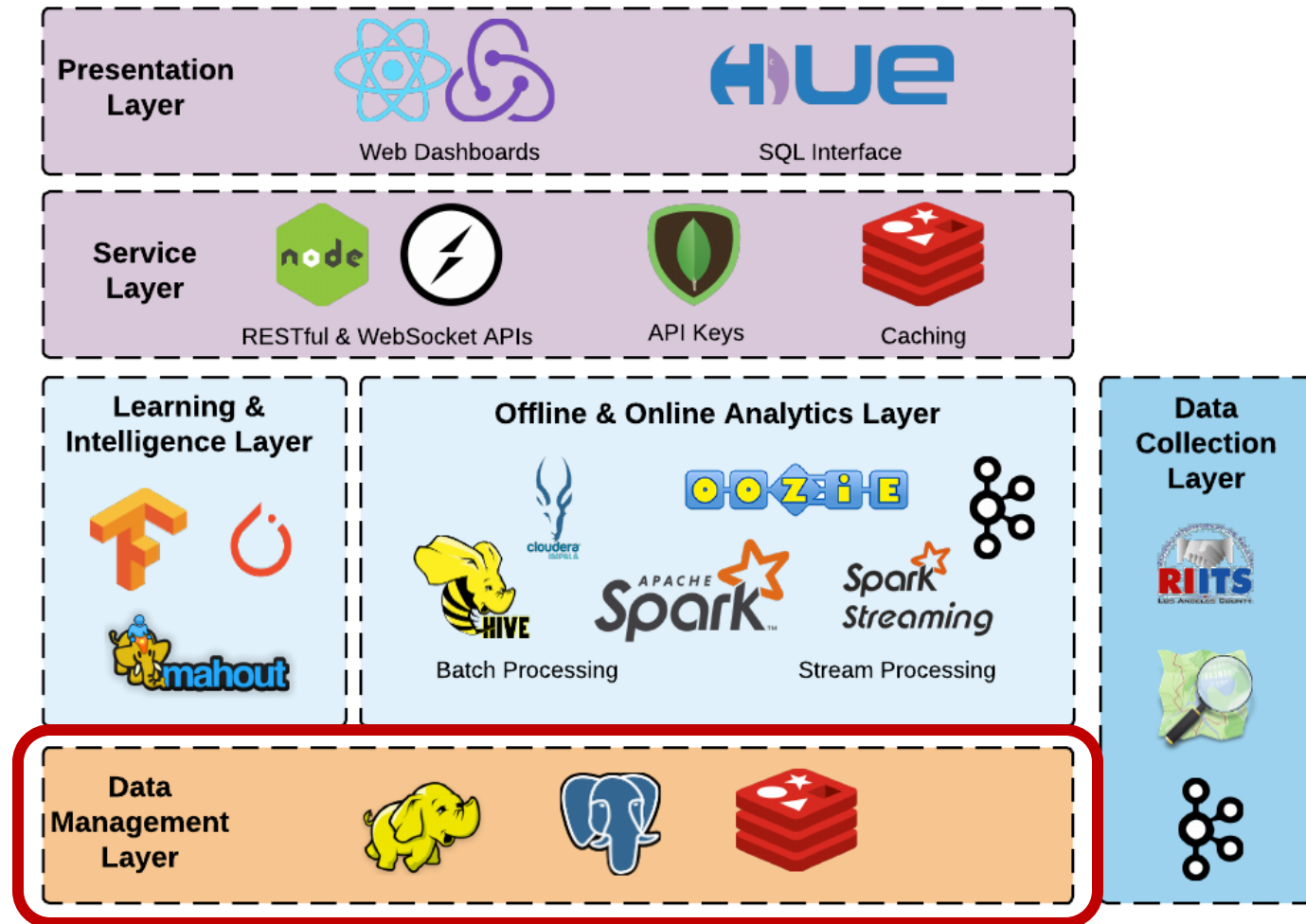


- Micro-services design
  - Independent
  - Isolated
  - Scalable
- Crawls / Consumes data from external data sources
- Pushes data to internal streams
  - Maps to internal data model



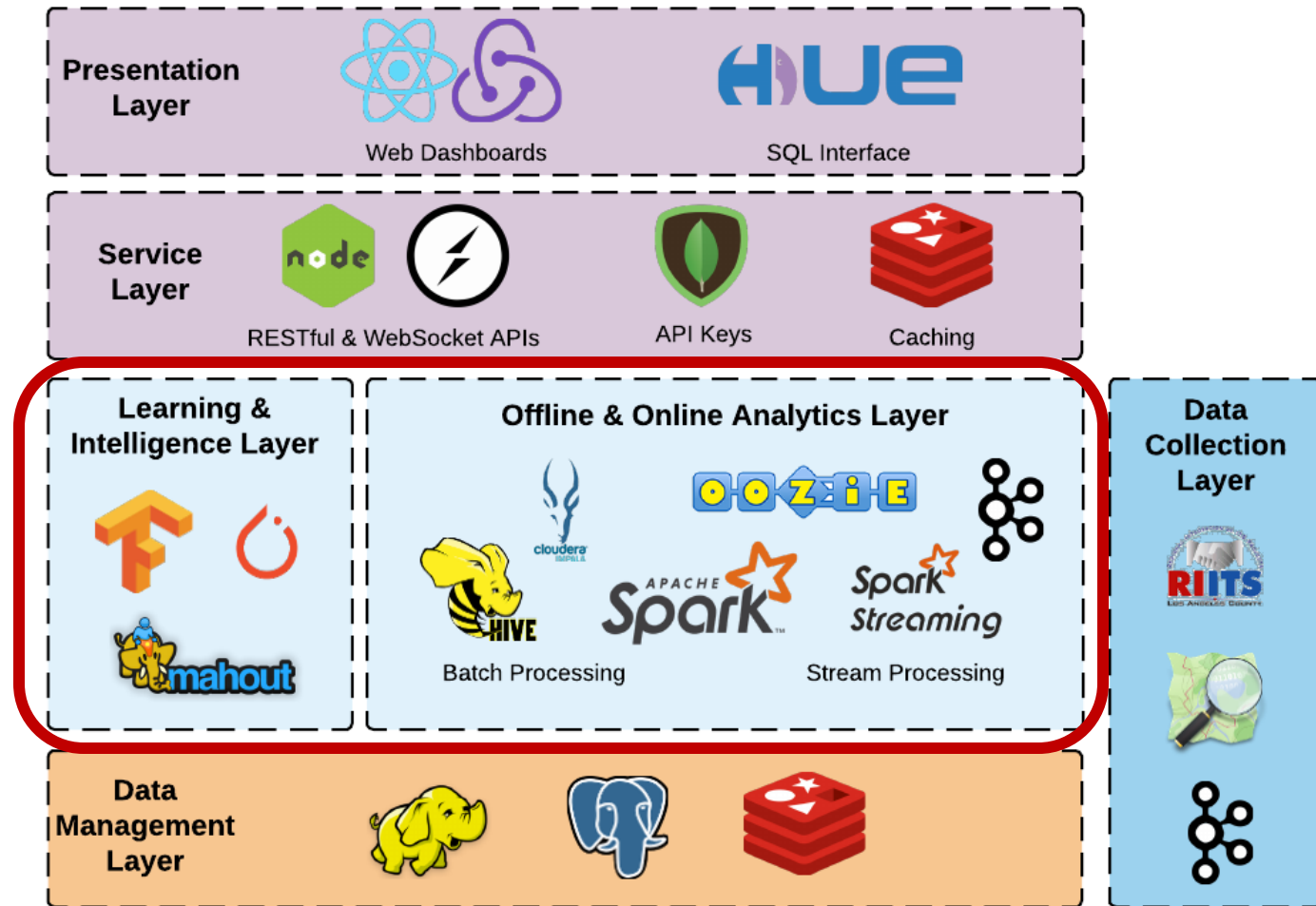
# ADMSv2: The Architecture

- Specialized data stores
  - Big Data (Hadoop HDFS)
  - Spatial-temporal (PostgreSQL)
  - Caching (Redis)
- Optimize spatial queries with indexes
- Reduce shuffling during distributed processing with spatial partitioning





# ADMSv2: The Architecture



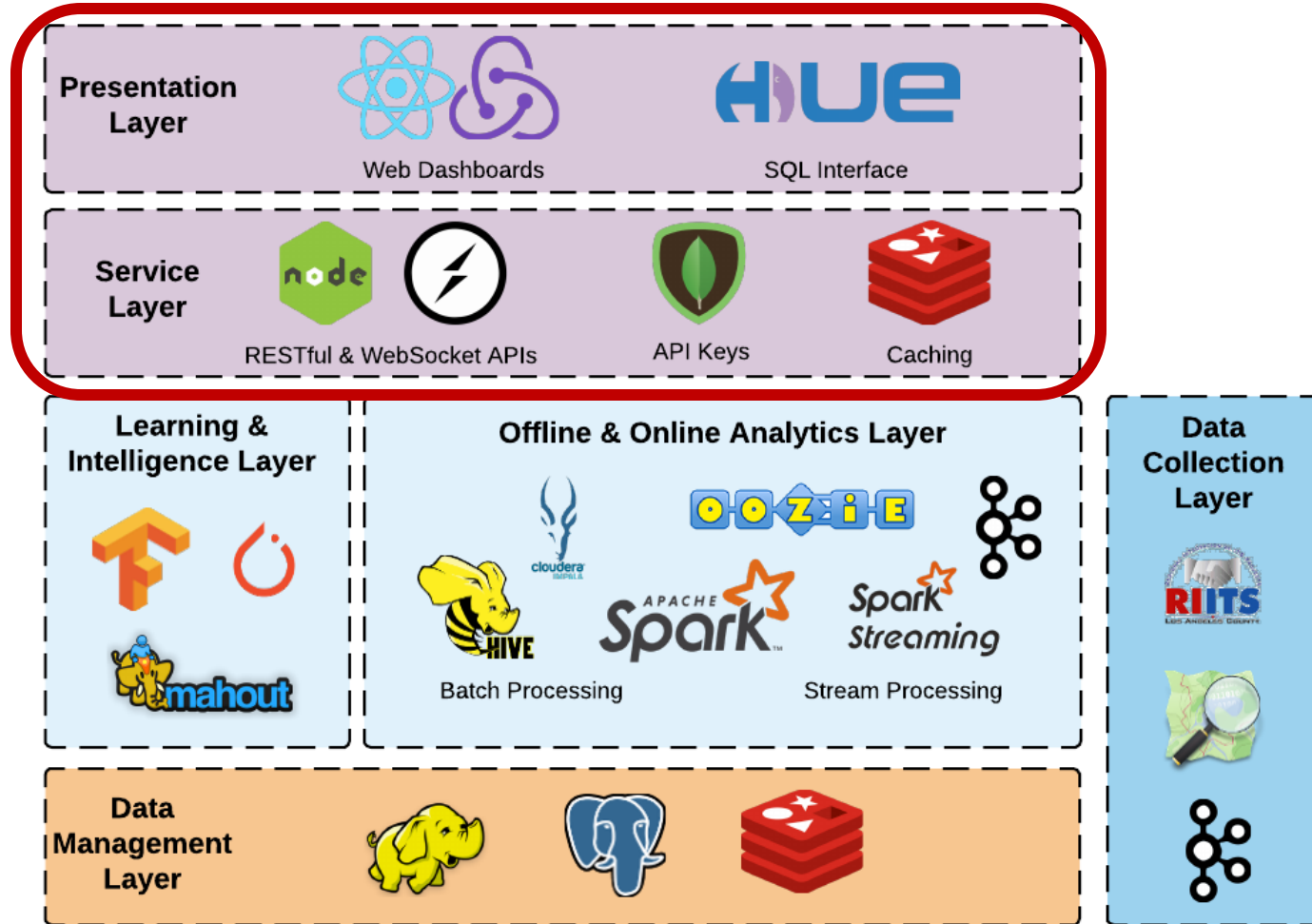
- Distributed processing engines
  - Batch (Hive, Impala, Spark)
  - Online/Streaming (Spark)
- Machine Learning Frameworks
  - PyTorch
  - Tensorflow
- High performance for queries that involve large amounts of data
- Easier transformation of training data for ML





# ADMSv2: The Architecture

- Dashboards for data dissemination
- Web APIs
- SQL Interface for on-demand complex data processing





# Policy- ADMS (*Deliver Results*)

- Collaboration between IMSC and Sol Price School of Public Policy



- Did Expo Line increase transit patronage?
- Did Expo Line impact traffic performance?
- Quasi-experimental design: Before/after and with/without

## Los Angeles Times

### L.A. Expo Line hasn't reduced congestion, a study finds



USC researchers found that the 8.6-mile Expo Line did accomplish a worthy goal: boosting transit ridership in a dense, car-choked corridor. (Irfan Khan / Los Angeles Times)

By [Dan Weikel and Alice Walton](#) · Contact Reporters

NOVEMBER 17, 2015, 4:00 AM

**C**ontrary to predictions used to promote the first phase of the Expo light rail line between downtown and Los Angeles' Westside, a new study has found that the \$930-million project has done little to relieve traffic congestion in the area.

# Data Driven Journalism



LA by the Numbers

Crime Traffic Health

## Crosstown Foundry Newsletter

### Accidents Will Happen

WHERE ARE THE MOST DANGEROUS ROADS IN LA?

### Life in the Slow Lane

YOU'RE NOT IMAGINING IT, FREEWAYS ARE MORE CONGESTED THAN EVER.

### Public Transit

MARKING TIME WITH THE BUS NETWORK

### Explore the data

DRILL DOWN INTO THE STATISTICS ON ACCIDENTS, TRAFFIC AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

### Coronavirus Map

**Coronavirus Statistics**

- Total Cases: 3011
- Total Deaths: 54
- Total Cases Under Investigation: 309

Ranked #14 on Coronavirus Case Ranking

Neighborhood: Downtown

View

### Safety Map

Ranked #1 on Crosstown Crime Ranking

Neighborhood: Downtown

## Crosstown Traffic

DECODING THE SIGNALS ON THE FREEWAYS OF LOS ANGELES

EXPLORE →

Here's your Crosstown Playa del Rey newsletter

Crosstown LA <xnn@xtown.la>

To: Luciano Pasquale Nocera

February 9, 2021

### Neighborhood Newsletter

Playa del Rey

## Hi Luciano

Welcome to your weekly Crosstown Neighborhood Newsletter for Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2021, on life in **Playa del Rey**. This is Gabriel Kahn, Crosstown's editor and publisher, writing from Fairfax.

We can say it: The **COVID-19 curve is beginning to flatten**. Also, we look at where **buildings are being demolished**. Lastly, is your neighborhood a **graffiti magnet**?

### Getting flatter

Neighborhood: Playa del Rey

- 97 total cases
- Population: 11483
- 844.73 per 100K population

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 Integrated Media Systems Center

[http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/USC-Freeway-LA-Traffic-Study\\_Los-Angeles-416848663.html](http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/USC-Freeway-LA-Traffic-Study_Los-Angeles-416848663.html)



# Crosstown Foundry Newsletter



- Markdown Template
  - Edit static and dynamic newsletter content
- Mixins (dynamic content)
  - Grammar:  
**NAME:AGGREGATION:FILTERS**
  - JavaScript modules encoding data or data visualizations queried from the Crosstown Databases
  - Localized to specific spatial and temporal extent
- HTML Converter & Linter
  - Validates mixins
  - Renders the markdown in HTML

News /

Newsletter March 2, 2021

Name

covid, vaccines, arrests, plumbing

Description

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### Happy March, 'READER'
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This is Lauren Whaley, writing from East Hollywood. Here is your weekly Crosstown Neighborhood Newsletter for **CURRENT\_WEEK** on life in **NEIGHBORHOOD**. This week, we look at **<b>infections</b>**, **<b>vaccinations</b>**, **<b>arrests</b>** and **<b>plumbing permits</b>**.

*<i>Do you have 15 minutes for a Zoom call to give us feedback about our newsletter? We'll thank you with a \$5 Starbucks gift card. <a href="https://calendly.com/laurenmwhaley/lauren-whaley-meeting-room?month=2021-03" target="\_blank" rel="noopener noreferrer">Sign up here</a>.</i>*

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### COVID-19 infections slow, but so do vaccinations
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#### 'NEIGHBORHOOD' infections
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Feb. 22 - 28: **<b>COVID\_INFECTIONS::20210221,20210228</b>** new COVID-19 infections **<b>**

Change: **<b>COVID\_INFECTIONS\_CHANGE::20210214,20210221,20210228</b>** from the previous week

**<b>COVID\_INFECTIONS\_BAR:WEEKLY:20210117,20210228</b>**

*<i>See how your neighborhood compares with others in our countywide <a href="https://products.xtown.la/coronavirus" target="\_blank" rel="noopener noreferrer">COVID-19 map</a>.</i>*

*<i><small>More on our COVID-19 <a href="https://xtown.la/our-data/" target="\_blank" rel="noopener noreferrer">data here</a>.</small></i>*

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### Countywide infections
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Feb. 22 - 28: **<b>COVID\_INFECTIONS\_ALL::20210221,20210228</b>** new COVID-19 infections **<b>** in Los Angeles County

Change: **<b>COVID\_INFECTIONS\_ALL\_CHANGE::20210214,20210221,20210228</b>** from the previous week

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### Vaccinations
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In Los Angeles County, there were **<b>281,647 new doses</b>** administered between Feb. 19 - 25 (most *<a href="http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/vaccine/vaccine-dashboard.htm" target="\_blank" rel="noopener noreferrer">recently available data</a>*), a **<b>14.9% decrease</b>** from the 333,951 new doses administered Feb. 12-18.

Total doses administered in **<b>L.A. County</b>** as of Feb. 25: **<b>1,958,547</b>**

Total doses administered in **<b>NEIGHBORHOOD</b>** as of Feb. 25: **<b>COVID\_VACCINATIONS::20210221,20210228</b>**

*Read our weekly COVID-19 story here.*

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### Arrests down, but not racial disparities
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**<b>ARRESTS\_ALL\_COMPARE\_TREND:MONTHLY:20190101,20201231</b>**

Citywide, the LAPD arrested **37% fewer people** in 2020 compared with 2019.