

A Cost-Quantification Model for Local Itineraries in Urban and Peri-urban Areas using Open Data

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The high-level objective of Modus is to analyse how the **performance of the overall transport system** can be improved by considering the entire **door-to-door journey** holistically and considering **air transport within an integrated, intermodal approach**.

Motivation: the overall performance of the (future) European transport system will strongly depend on the alignment and improvement of multimodal transport

- Constraints:
- Transport's greenhouse gas emissions to reduce by 90% by 2050
- European Smart and Sustainable Mobility Strategy (European Commission, 2020)
 - European Green Deal

WP4 “Passenger mobility modeling”

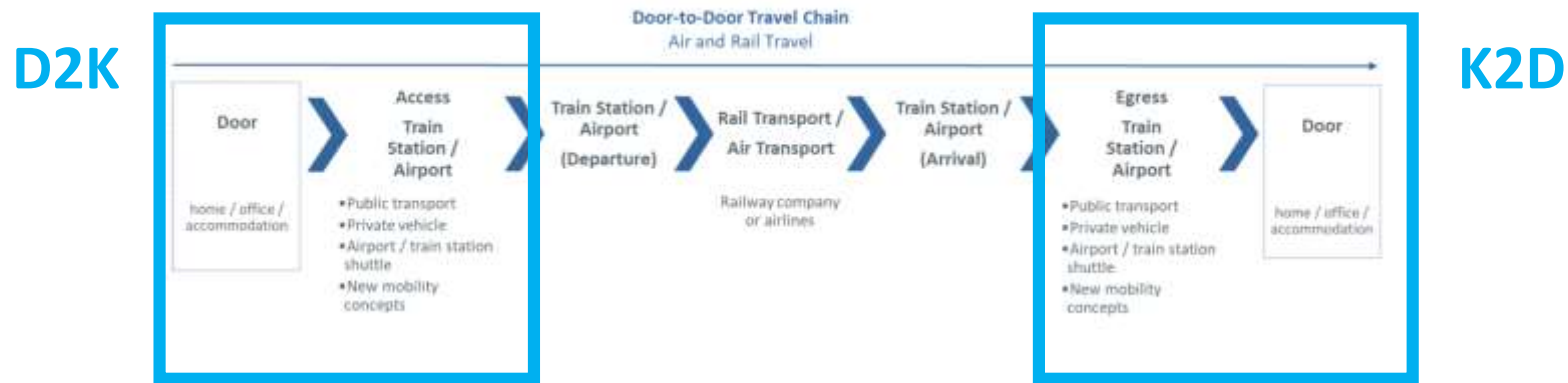
- Produces low-level, detailed mobility of passengers in Europe considering flight and rail modes
- Models impact of modal choice, airspace capacity load, unaccommodated demand, and passenger behaviours in long-distance travel
- Assesses intra and inter-modal competition between European city-pairs

Final goal of WP4: Develop a demand function of D2D transportation

- Derived from individual choice of modes
- Expressed in terms of market share
- Considering demand sensitivity drivers (e.g., price and performance)

Objectives of the model

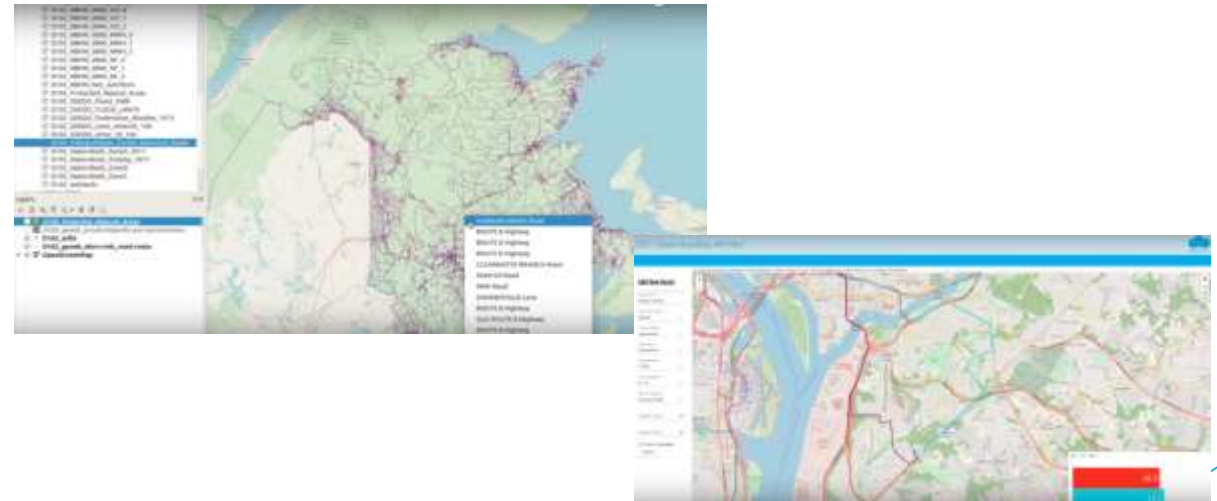
- “Fill the gap” of the Door-2-Kerb and Kerb-2-Door phases



- Make use of Open, publicly accessible data
- Consider complexities of urban mobility
- Define travel cost (time/length) dependent on input parameters: passenger type, city/airport, time of day

Objectives of the model

- Made use of Skymanatics Universal Routing Engine (SURE)
 - Built on pgRouting stack
 - Implements OpenAPI OGC Routing API
 - Compatible with NSG, OSM, HERE and GTFS formats
 - Implements 6 different routing algorithms
 - Geospatial constraints (Max weight/height, routes around obstacles, road blockade, departure or arrival time)
 - Combines pedestrian and vehicle routes
 - Generates evacuation routes
 - Integrates AI models
 - Machine Learning – max speed assignment
 - Reinforcement Learning – network asset optimisation



Objectives of the model

- Methodology:
 - Select list of representative city/airport archetypes
 - Generate multimodal catchment areas (cost function = travel time)
 - Map over population distribution
 - Generate travel time probability function per city/airport and access mode

City	Airport	Archetype
Paris	CDG	Arch-1 (main hub, HSR station at the airport, integrated in city/region transport network)
	ORY	Arch-2 (main hub, HSR station in the city, integrated in city/region transport network)
	BVA	Arch-5 (national/regional, no HSR station in the city, very loosely integrated in city/region transport network by shuttle)
Madrid	MAD	Arch-2 (main hub, HSR station in the city, integrated in city/region transport network)
Stockholm	ARN	Arch-3 (secondary hub, no HSR station in the city, loosely integrated in city/region network by shuttle and express train)
Brussels	BRU	Arch-2 (main hub, HSR station in the city, integrated in city/region transport network)
	CRL	Arch-4 (secondary hub, no HSR station in the city, loosely integrated in city/region network by shuttle to cities nearby)

Objectives of the model

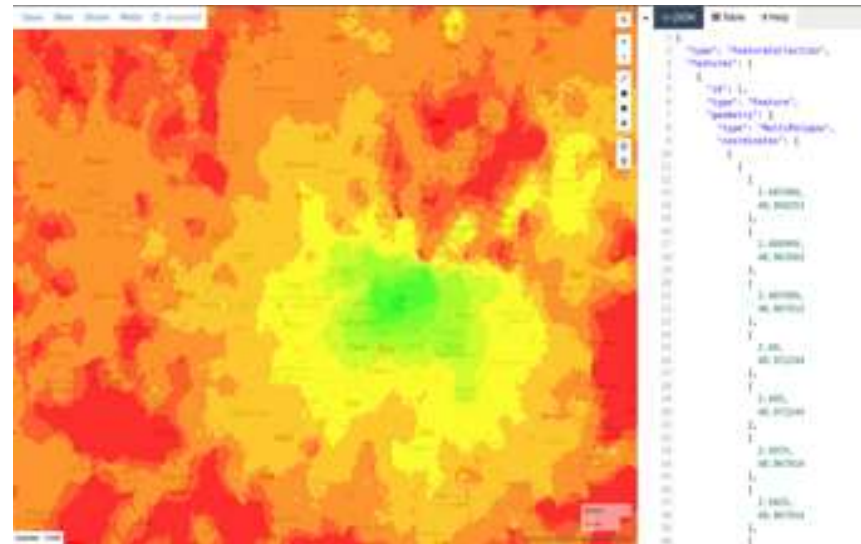
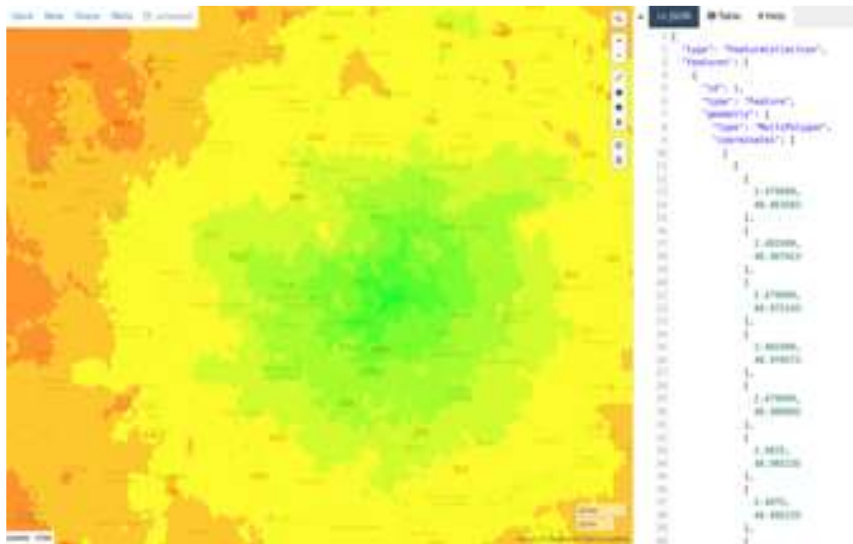
- Models entirely based on **Open Data**

- Transparent
- Publicly verifiable
- No access barriers

Private vehicle routes and walking routes	Data source
Open Street Map (OSM)	Geofabrik download – https://download.geofabrik.de/
Public transit routes	
Madrid and surrounding area	https://data-crtm.opendata.arcgis.com
Paris and surrounding area	Paris/Ile de France https://data.iledefrance-mobilites.fr/pages/home/ Hauts-de-France, Bourgogne, Normandie, Grand-Est, Centre-Val de Lore https://transport.data.gouv.fr/datasets/ Shuttle service to BVA https://www.aeroportparisbeauvais.com/passagers/
Stockholm and surrounding area	https://www.trafiklab.se/api/trafiklab-apis/gtfs-sverige-2/
Brussels and surrounding area	Brussels, Wallonie, Flanders https://hello.irail.be/gtfs/ Nord, Grand-Est https://transport.data.gouv.fr/datasets/ Luxembourg https://data.public.lu/fr/ Germany (part) https://gtfs.de Netherlands https://gtfs.ovapi.nl Shuttle service to CRL and other cities
Population distribution	
JRC-GEOSTAT 2019	https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/gisco/geodata/reference-data/population-distribution-demography/geostat

Results

- Catchment area per airport, access mode (private vehicle or public transportation) and time of day (6AM – 9PM)



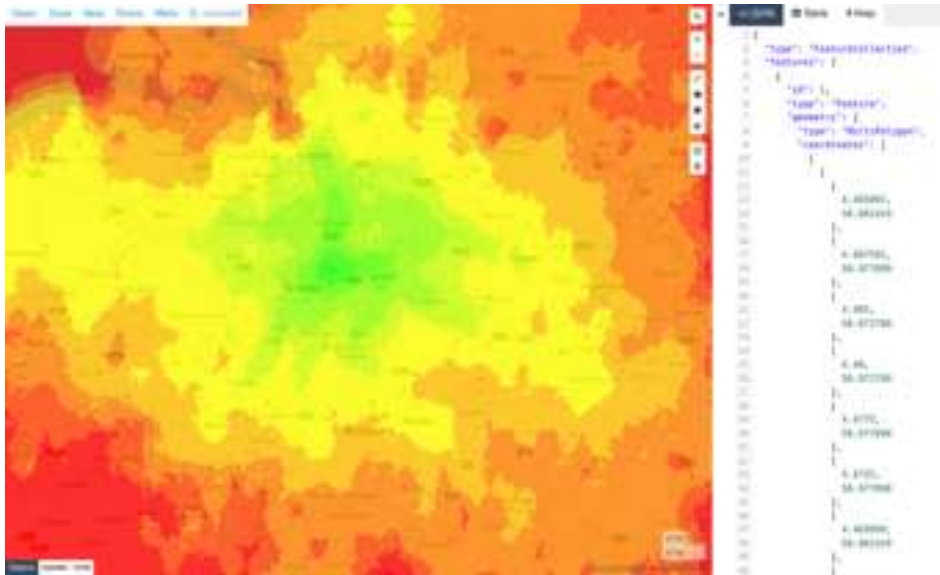
e.g. CDG

a) Private vehicle

b) Public transportation

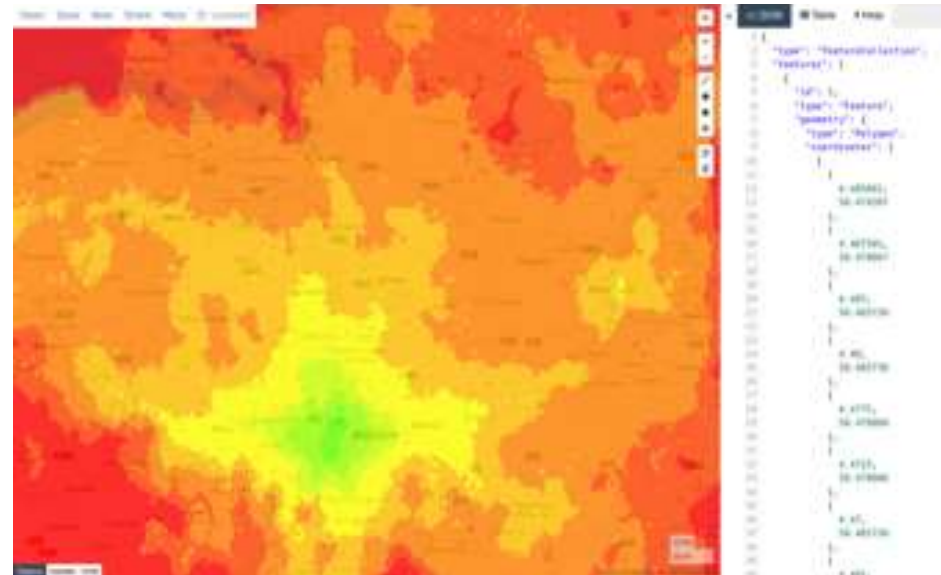
Results

- Overlapping catchment areas for cities with more than one airport



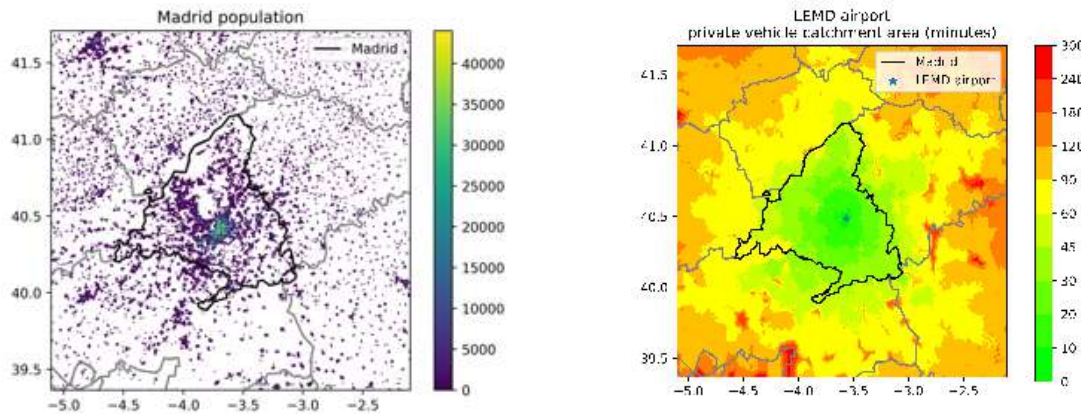
e.g. Brussels (public transport)

a) BRU



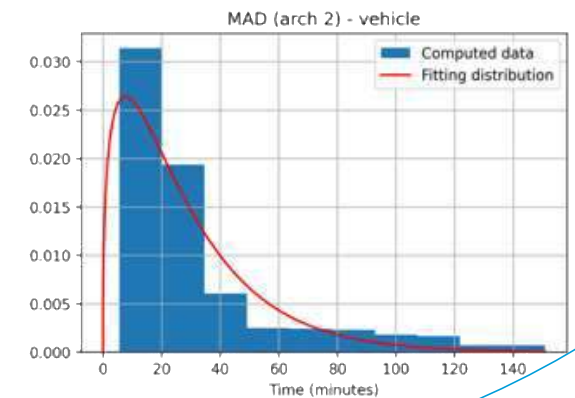
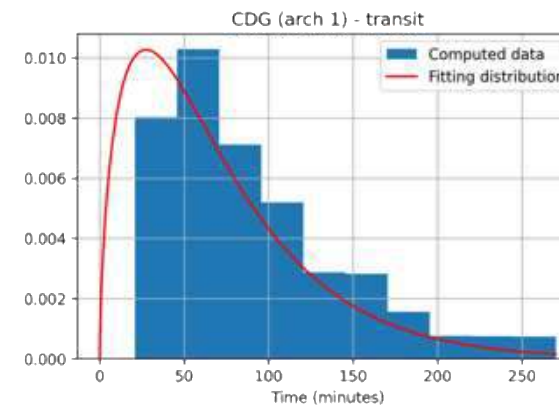
b) CRL

- Calculation of travel time probability distributions



*Spatial sampling with GEOSTAT
population distribution*

Fitting function (gamma)



Lessons learned from Open Data

- Searchability
 - OSM (centralized) vs GTFS (fragmented dataset publication policies)
- Data integrity and accuracy
 - Actual speed calculation on OSM (missing max speed, missing traffic elements)
 - GTFS with incorrect or missing data (directions, frequencies)
 - Scope inconsistent among regions
 - Element IDs not unique
- Data format consistency
 - Not all GTFS implement same parameters
 - “Parent station” parameter used inconsistently

Conclusions and further work

- A detailed quantitative model of travel cost functions in urban/peri-urban areas is feasible using Open Data
- Challenges found in data accuracy and consistency, which require either
 - Preparation algorithms (stochastic, Machine Learning)
 - Manual data cleaning
- Features to be added to model
 - Expand to other European cities
 - Add other cost functions (emissions, safety, convenience)
 - Model freight use cases

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