Modelling Backward Traveling Holes in Mixed Traffic Conditions using an Agent Based Simulation

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Why queue models?

Queue models are -

- Simple, fast, easy to implement
- Suitable for large scale scenario



Point queue



(Hurdle and Son, 2001)



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Unlimited storage capacity ⇒ length of queue = 0
No spill-back ⇒ no inter-link interaction
FIFO
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Spatial queue

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MATSim

- In the present study, a multi-agent transport simulation framework (MATSim) is used.
- Only spatial queue is used in MATSim



Why MATSim?

- agent-based simulation framework
- suitable for large scale scenario [10 min to simulate 24 h of about 7 million persons of Switzerland (Balmer et al., 2009)]
- possible to simulate scenario with smaller sample size

MATSim queue models -

	Link dynamics		
Queue model	FIFO	Passing	Seepage
without holes	Original	Agarwal et al. (2015)	
with holes	in the present study		Agarwal and Lämmel (2015a,b)



Race track







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time step = 1









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time step = 4





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Queue model with holes

- $\blacksquare \mathfrak{Vslimited storage capacity} \Rightarrow \text{length of queue} \neq 0$
- **I** M spill-back $\Rightarrow \infty$ inter-link interaction
- FIFO / passing / seepage
- Space available on upstream $\overline{immediately} \Rightarrow \infty$ intra-link dynamics



with hole vs without hole - only car simulation





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Car bike simulation





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Backward traveling holes

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Flow density contours

without holes





Flow density contours

Flow density contours

without holes



with holes





Average bike passing rate contours

without holes





Average bike passing rate contours

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with holes



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Outlook

- Compare the computational efficiencies
- Apply it to a large scale real-word scenario



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Thank you for your attention.

Questions / Comments / Suggestions ?

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Back up



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Stead state in race track experiment





Speed variation in queue model without holes





Single modes



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Multiple modes





Multiple modes



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