

⇒ Modelling Process  $\Leftarrow$  Model the Propagation of Braking events in a single lane of cars, taking into Acc the reaction time of Drivers

① what is an Interesting Problem?

By modelling the Propagation of Braking events in a single lane of cars, we can better understand how the small perturbations can lead to larger disruptions in traffic flow and help inform strategies for Reducing Congestion.

We are studying the problem of a single lane of cars & the perturbation from equilibrium that occurs when one car brakes & the braking effect travels down the line of cars, amplifying as it goes along, due to the delayed reactions time of drivers.

The ultimate phenomena could be predict is that stop & go behaviour where cars don't just travel at a constant speed in rush hour, but alternatively between accelerating & braking based on following distance & relative velocity of the car ahead to it.

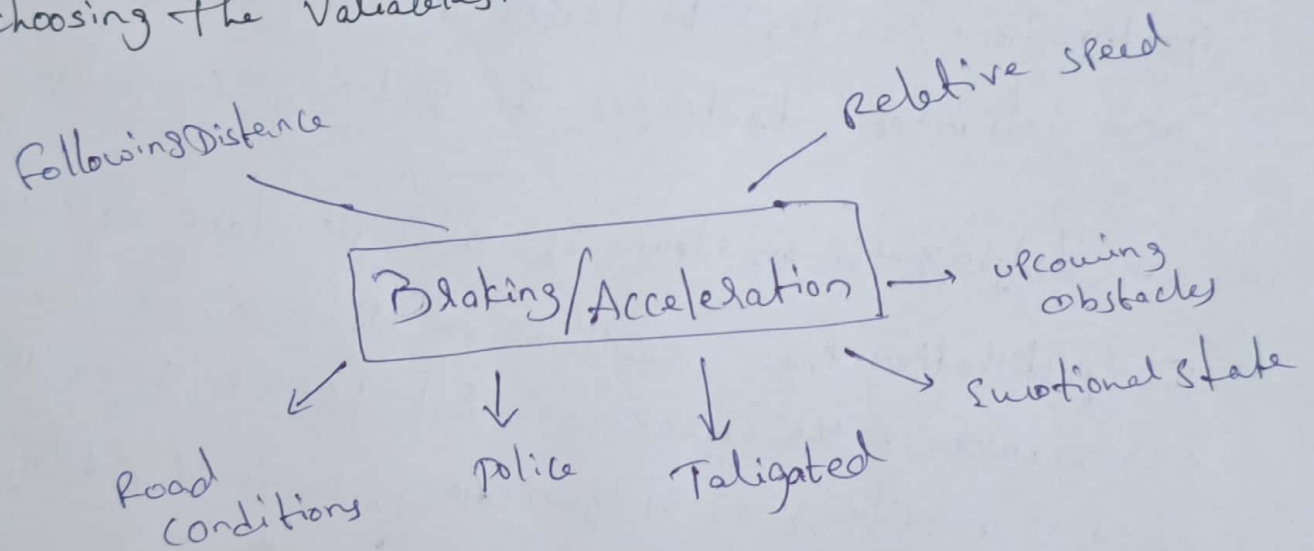
car 1  $\rightarrow$  car 2  $\rightarrow$  car 3 car 4 car 5 car 6 car 7

after applying brakes by drivers

car 1 car 2 car 3 car 4 car 5 car 6 car 7

② what are the objectives of modelling? what do you want to find?  
The objectives are to understand the reaction time of Drivers affects the propagation of Braking Events in a single lane of Cars and predict the resulting Traffic Congestion

③ choosing the Variables.



Now I'm focusing on mainly 2 variables

① following distance

② Relative Speed.

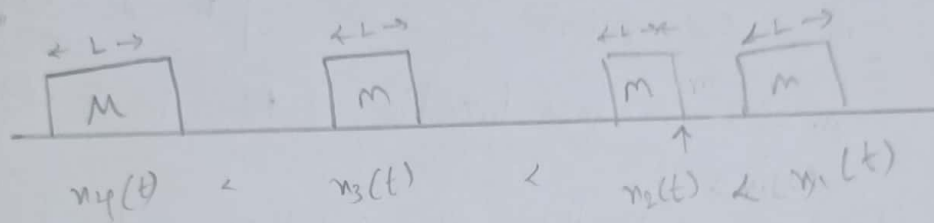
④ what is given?

Having the data on the speed and acceleration of Individual cars in a single lane of traffic, as well as data on reaction time of drivers in similar condition.

Data contains the variables speed of car, drivers reaction time.

⑤ what assumptions are used? how are they justified?

we have to assume reaction time of drivers is constant and speed of car and acceleration of each car modeled using a set of ordinary differential eqns



- \* we have to assume All Cars mass 'm' and length 'l'
- \* assume all cars are passing in one lane
- \* No crash is occurred b/w cars  ~~$x_i(t) < x_{i-1}$~~
- if we assume cars are crashed model will get breakdown  
main aim here is to prevent Bumping/Crashing b/w cars

$$x_i(t) < x_{i-1}(t) + L$$

$\therefore$  no cars are crashed.

- \* all people have response time  $\tau$



⑥ how is model built? how is it solved/simulated? explain the process?

Building the Model

Braking force: here describing a force, braking force which is Newton's law of mass times acceleration.

$m$  = mass of car

$$m \cdot x_i''(t)$$

$x_i''(t)$  = refers location of the front of the  $i$ th car

We are considering 2 factors (i) Relative velocity  
(ii) following Distance

Note: larger the relative velocity  $\rightarrow$  acceleration

+ smaller the following distance  $\rightarrow$  acceleration

$$m \cdot x_i''(t) = C \frac{x_i'(t) - x_{i-1}'(t)}{|x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)|} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{relative velocity} \\ \text{following distance} \end{array}$$

Relative velocity  $(x_i'(t) - x_{i-1}'(t))$

$\therefore$  braking force is proportional to the relative velocities  $\propto (v)$

following distance  $|x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)| \therefore$  The following distance

that difference b/w positions of the two cars

$\therefore$  Braking force is inversely proportional to following distance  $\propto (1/d)$

$C$  = constant proportionality

adding  $\tau$  into the eq

$\tau$  = Response time

If the 1st car applies Brake, the second car driver should react and apply Brakes. so it would be difficult to apply Brakes at a time.

finally.  $m \cdot x_i''(t + \tau) = c \frac{x_i'(t) - x_{i-1}'(t)}{|x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)|}$

$m$  &  $c$  are constants

Repeating eq as

$$x_i''(t + \tau) = c \frac{x_i'(t) - x_{i-1}'(t)}{|x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)|}$$

Integrating accelerations to relative velocities

$$v_i(t + \tau) = c \ln |x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)| + D_i \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$D_i$  = constant of integration

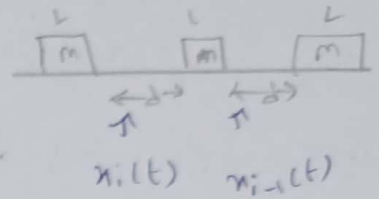
This is the final model it's focused on one car what does one car look forwards it looks to the car in front of it and it obeys the rules of model

# macroscopic properties and relation b/w density & velocity

## Equilibrium

• All cars same velocity  $v$

• All cars same following distance 'd'.



Cars + cars at equilibrium

$$\text{Density } \rho = \frac{\# \text{ Cars}}{\text{distance}}$$

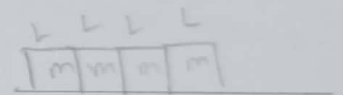
## Relationship b/w density & velocity

Ex Consider 4 cars & distance 'd'

$$\frac{4}{4(L+d)} = \frac{1}{L+d} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)|}$$

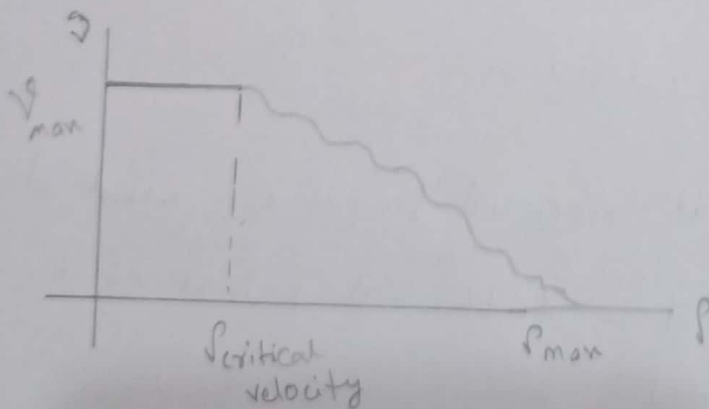
Car cars at no distance (or) crash

$$\text{max density} = \rho_{\max} = \frac{1}{L}$$



velocity of cars at equilibrium related to density

∴ driver maintaining constant speed.



We hit a critical velocity which is that enough traffic on road that driver slows down car

The curve shows declining more cars there are on road the higher their density the lower my velocity. Finally my velocity is 0 & max density when cars bunched.

at equilibrium:

$$v_i(p) = \tilde{c} \ln \left| \frac{1}{p} \right| + D_i \quad ; \quad v(p_{\text{man}}) = \tilde{c} \ln \left| \frac{1}{p_{\text{man}}} \right| + D = 0$$

velocity is same at equilibrium

$$v(p_{\text{man}}) = \tilde{c} \ln \left| \frac{1}{p} \right| - \tilde{c} \ln \left| \frac{1}{p_{\text{man}}} \right|$$

$$v(p) = \tilde{c} \ln \left| \frac{p_{\text{man}}}{p} \right|$$

$$v(p_{\text{crit}}) = \tilde{c} \ln \left| \frac{p_{\text{man}}}{p_{\text{crit}}} \right| = v_{\text{man}}$$

evaluating at critical density the density where first start goes slower.

$v_{\text{man}}$  goes speed

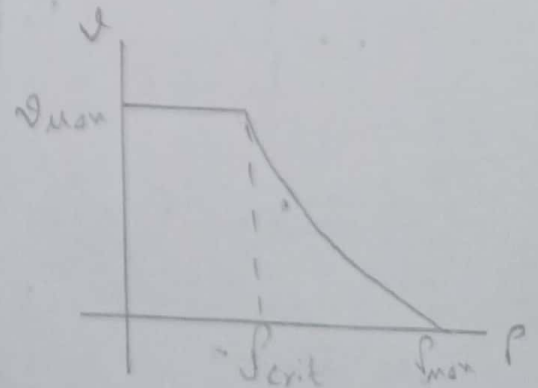
$$\tilde{c} = v_{\text{man}} \left[ \ln \left| \frac{p_{\text{man}}}{p_{\text{crit}}} \right| \right]^{-1}$$

finally

$$v(p) = v_{\text{man}} \left[ \ln \left| \frac{p_{\text{man}}}{p_{\text{crit}}} \right| \right]^{-1} \cdot \ln \left| \frac{p_{\text{man}}}{p} \right|$$

As to the model we will get model like shown in graph

finally  
Relation b/w density & velocity shown in below graph.





## maximizing flow & optimal density:

• previously considered density is not most important factor

• now ~~reconsider~~

∴ now explaining/considering the Two Streams of Traffic at Two different equilibriums.

flow no. of cars that are going to pass a point in some unit of time

$$\text{flow} = \frac{\# \text{ cars}}{\text{time}}$$

flow & density are related

ex no. of cars in some unit distance some unit distance & term over time  
distance over time is velocity & no. of cars over distance that was notion of density

$$\text{flow} = \frac{\# \text{ cars}}{\text{distance}} \cdot \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$$

$$\text{flow}(p) = p \cdot v(p)$$

$$p \cdot \left\{ v_{\max} \left[ \ln \left( \frac{p_{\max}}{p_{\text{crit}}} \right) \right]^{-1} \times \ln \left| \frac{p_{\max}}{p} \right| \right\}$$

$v = \text{const}$

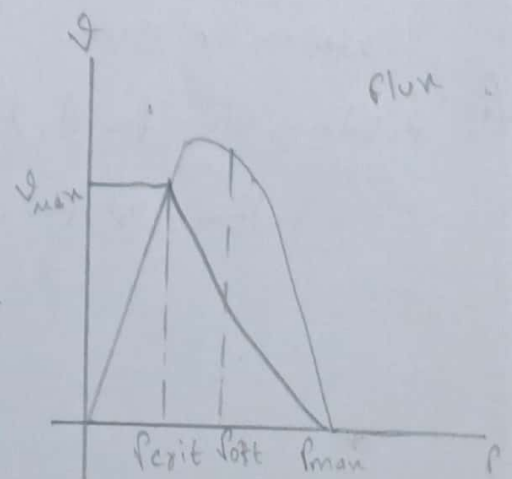
for  $p > p_{\text{crit}}$

$$\text{Max flow} = \frac{d}{dp} \text{flow}(p) = 0$$

Max at:  $p_{\text{opt}} = \frac{p_{\max}}{e}$

Initial position up to row crit where  $v = \text{const}$  &

flow is constant times  $p$  it's linear and max at optimal density & decreases





$$\rho_{opt} = \frac{\rho_{max}}{e} = \frac{1}{eL}$$

at the equilibrium & optimal density

$$\rho_{opt} = \frac{\rho_{max}}{e} = \frac{1}{eL}$$

$$v(\rho_{opt}) = \tilde{c} \ln \frac{\rho_{max}}{\rho_{opt}}$$

$$v(\rho_{opt}) = \tilde{c} \ln \left[ \frac{\rho_{max}}{\rho_{opt}/e} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{c} = v_{opt}$$

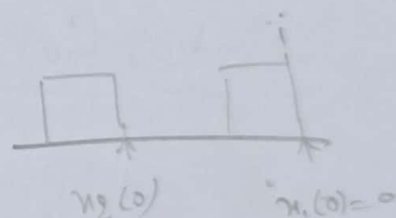
velocity is occur when people are driving optimal density

modelling sequence of cars

Trying with Transition Variables

$$n_1^{time} = 0$$

$$v_2 \text{ at time } = 0$$



\* imagine Transition variables at equilibrium

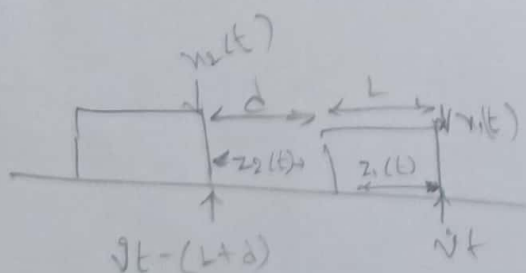
constant velocity. So car Travelling time 't'

velocity 'v'

location 'vt'

length 'L'

gap b/w cars 'd'



The two displacements how much they differ while moving at equilibrium. That captures perturbation

$$z_i(t) = n_i(t) - [v_i - (i-1)(d+L)]$$

$$z_i'(t) = v_i(t) - v$$

$$z_i'(t+\tau) = v_i(t+\tau) - v$$

$$\tilde{v} = v; \quad D = -v \ln \left| \frac{1}{s_{\max}} \right| \rightarrow$$

adding values in to main model

$$v_i'(t+\tau) = v \ln |x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)| - v \ln \left| \frac{1}{s_{\max}} \right|$$

combining logarithms

$$v_i'(t+\tau) = v \ln |s_{\max} [x_i(t) - x_{i-1}(t)]|$$

$$z_i'(t+\tau) = v \ln |s_{\max} [d + L + z_i(t) - z_{i-1}(t)]| - v$$

This  $z_i$  describes all the cars to which they are following behind some other car.

finding for first car which creates initial problem by braking:

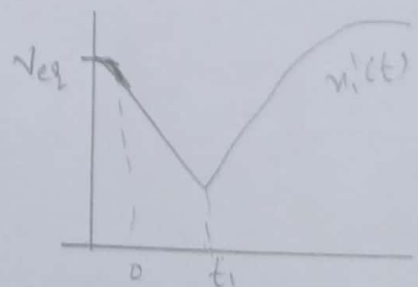
- starts at equilibrium velocity
- A short braking from  $t=0$  to  $t=t_1$
- Then returns to equilibrium velocity

$$v_i(t) = \begin{cases} v & t \leq 0 \\ v(1 - k t e^{\frac{t-t_1}{t_1}}), & t > 0 \end{cases} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow < 0 \\ \leftarrow \text{at } 0 \end{array} \right.$$

constant velocity  $< 0$

$$z_1(t) = -v \int_0^t k s e^{\frac{t-s}{t_1}} ds$$

~~differential~~  $ds$



## Full model Differential delay system:

It's a system of E's one for each of car. ~~To~~

Consider Initial conditions which is that initial displacement for every one of the 'n' different cars at zero time.

Initial conditions  $z_i(0) = 0$   
for  $1 \leq i \leq N$

Behavior of first car described by

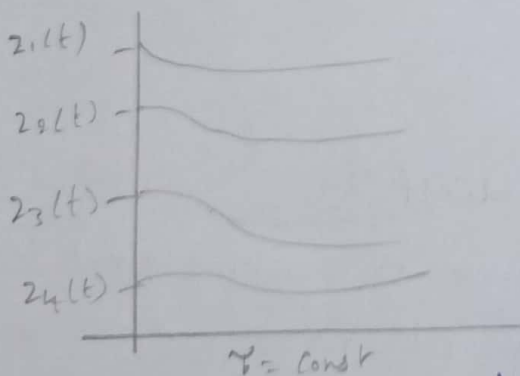
first car  $z_1(t) = -v \int_0^t k s e^{\frac{t-s}{\tau_1}} ds, \quad t > 0$

for all subsequent cars described differential delay E's

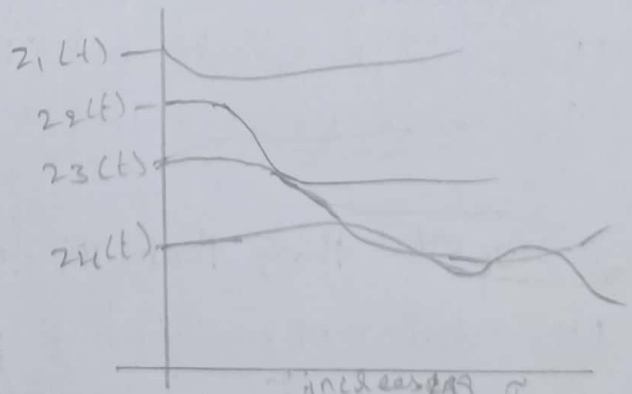
for  $2 \leq i \leq N$

$$z_i'(t + \tau) = v \ln \left[ \rho_{\max} [d + L + z_i(t) - z_{i-1}(t)] \right] - v$$

## Assesing the model



At to This model Initial displacement caused by shock Blegking when it pertubs down line actually gets more delayed



$\tau$  = reaction time  
 having larger value for  $\tau$   
 where lines are crossing over each other which equivalent to crash  
 This is distance b/w car gets more  
 Then value of 'd' a crash has actually occurred.  
 • It is occurred while increasing  $\tau$ .

How model is verified & its predictions validated?

The model is verified by comparing simulated results to real world traffic data & checking for consistency with known physical laws.

The predictions are validated by comparing them to actual traffic data such as speed & flow, and by calculating prediction accuracy metrics such as mean absolute error (MAE) or RMSE (Root Mean Squared Error).

8. Did the model predict any new phenomena? How was the new prediction is validated?

The model predicted a new phenomenon, such as the amplification of braking events due to the reaction time of drivers, which could inform strategies for reducing congestion.

The new predictions from model can be validated by comparing simulated results to real world traffic data. This could involve data containing variables

model can compared using metrics such as

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$$

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}$$

$y$  = actual value  
 $\hat{y}$  = predicted value



## Strengths

- Predict phenomena we expect
- Informs us of potential optimal density
- Computable
- Limited Inputs needed

## Weaknesses

- Assumptions are limited
- Behaviour gets non-physical

⑨ Did model require any modifications?

The model may require modifications if the prediction accuracy is poor or if the assumptions made are found incorrect.

(a) We can add other variables into data to predict

⑩ Was this model deployed & used?

Model of propagation of braking events in single lane is used in traffic management system to avoid accidents by predicting the cause of breaks and take the precaution by adding speed breaks or managing traffic etc.

⑪ Any other thing that you found of interest?

The modelling of reaction time & the propagation of braking events in a single lane of cars can provide valuable insights into the dynamics of traffic flow, which can be applied to other transportation systems, such as trains or aircraft.