On the Importance of Demand Consolidation in Mobility on Demand

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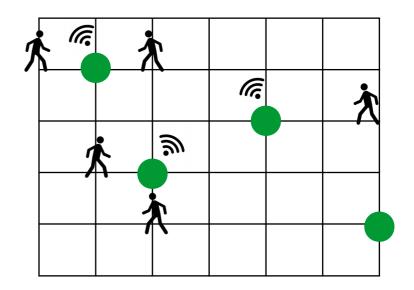




Terms and definition

Consolidation in mobility services

- → high capacity in Mobility on Demand
- → less admitted stop points to serve more requests
- → consolidation as *aggregation*



AMoDSim

- → Open-source simulator for future generation mobility on demand services
- → https://github.com/admaria/AMoDSim.git

Outline

Consolidation in MoD systems:

- → Operator cost
- → User QoS

Motivation

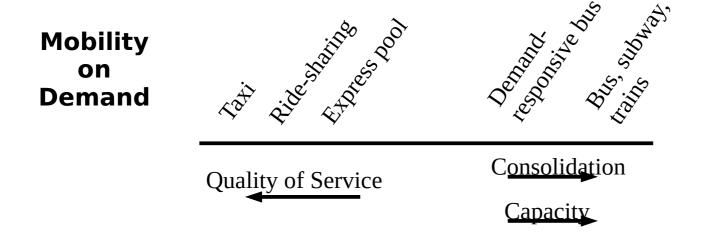
System model

A case study

Introduction

Evolution in landscape of transportation driven by ICT

- → Emergence of Ride Sharing services Uber
- → Autonomous Mobility on Demand services (**AMoD**)

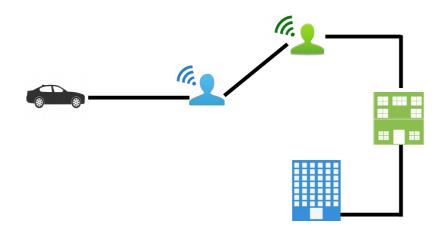


Fixed transportation

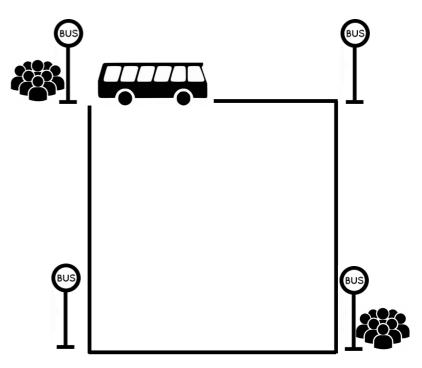
Role of consolidation in mobility on demand

MoD vs fixed transportation

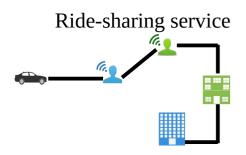
Ride-sharing service



Traditional bus

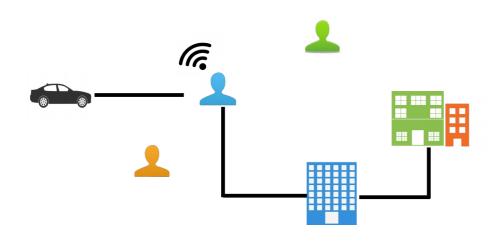


MoD vs fixed transportation

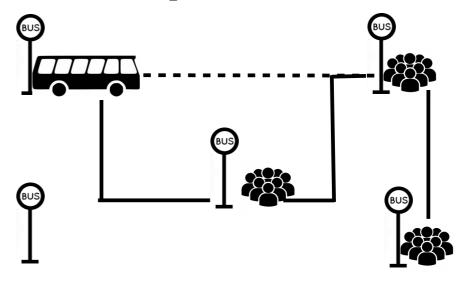




Express pool service



Demand-responsive bus



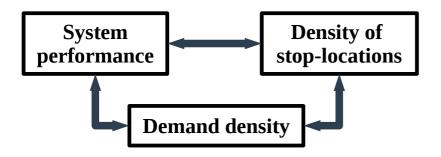
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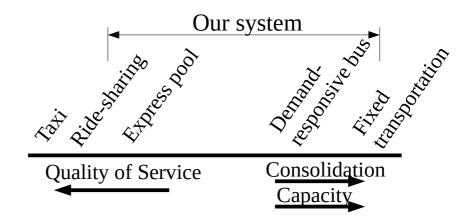
Fill the gap between the door-to-door services and fixed transportation

→ Combine the flexibility of MoD with high capacity

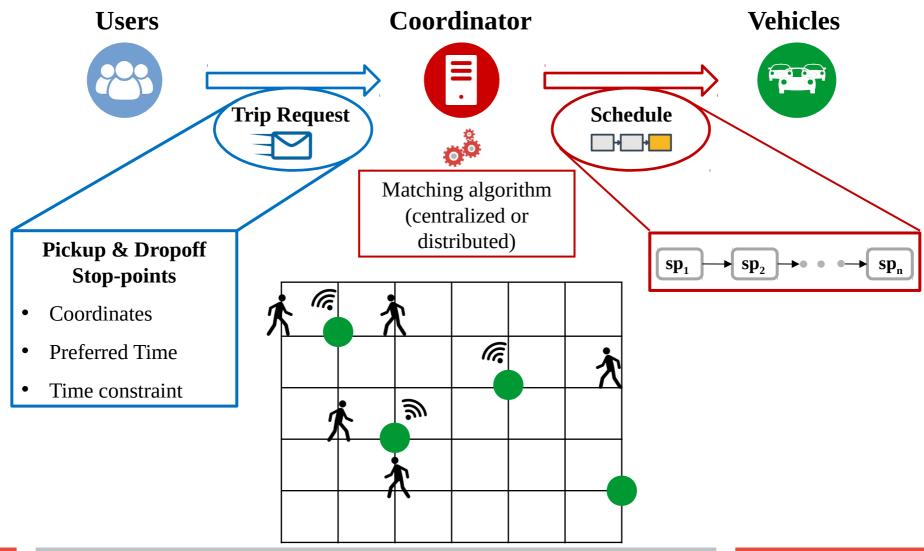
Consolidation in our system...

- → Dynamic stop location density
- → Flexibility of vehicle routes
- → Multiple vehicles per area
- → On-line request-to-vehicle matching

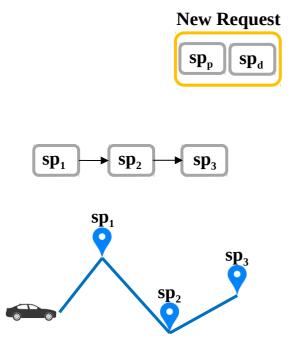


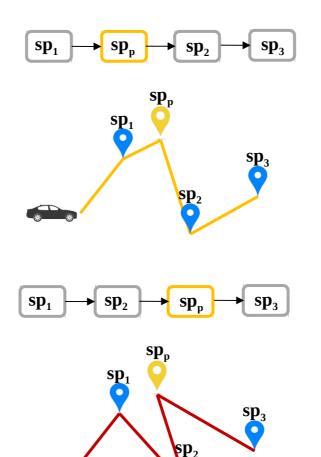


System model



Time constraints





Is feasible? (max extra-time)

Additional Cost: C1

Is feasible? (max extra-time)

Additional Cost: C2

Time constraints





Additional Cost:

C1





Additional Cost:

C2

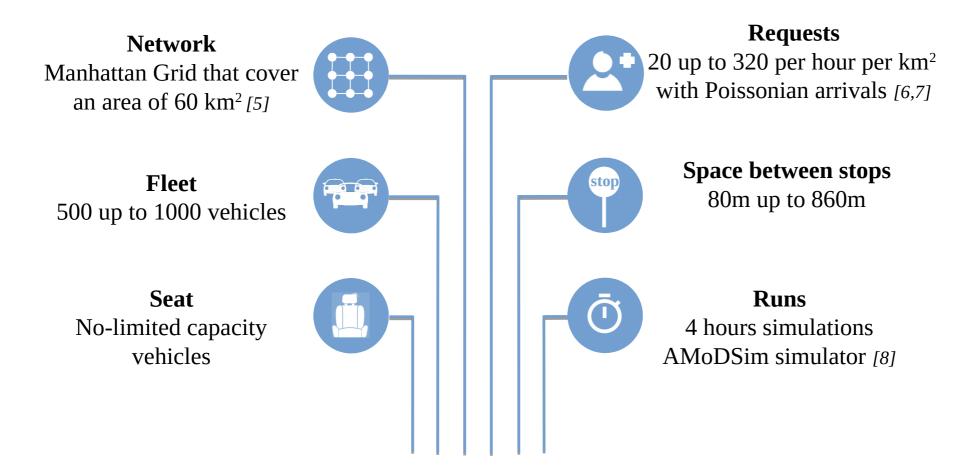




Additional Cost:

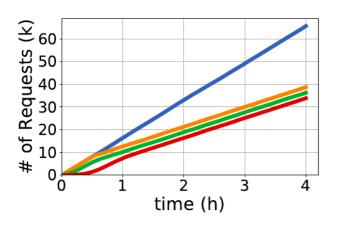
C2

Case study: Scenario

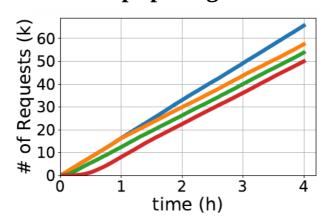


Impact on system capacity

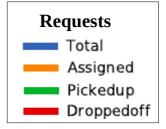
No consolidation

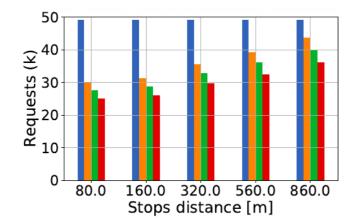


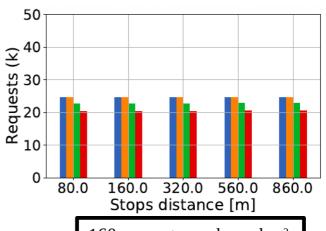
Stop spacing 860m



- 320 requests per h per km² [1, 2]
- 1000 vehicles





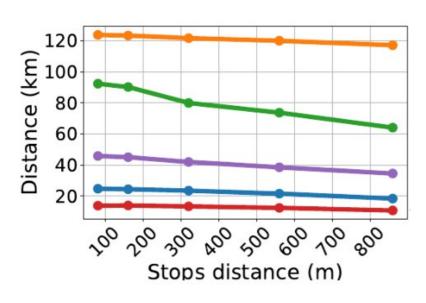


160 requests per h per km²

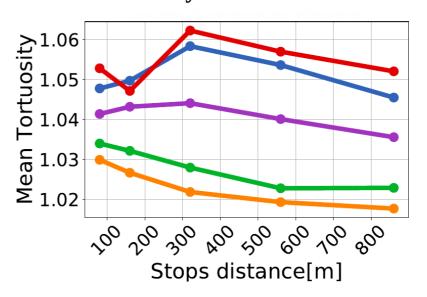
Impact on route efficiency

• 1000 vehicles

Per-vehicle traveled distance



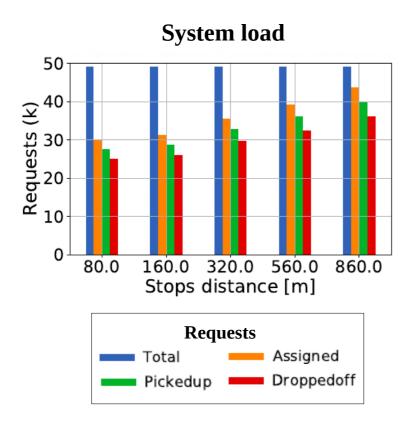
Tortuosity of a vehicle route



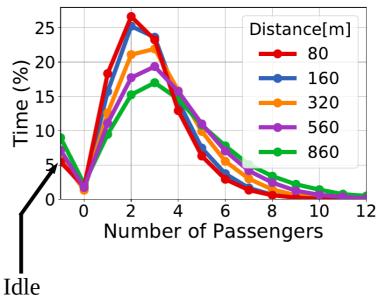


Impact on sharing degree

- 320 requests per h per km²[1, 2]
- 1000 vehicles



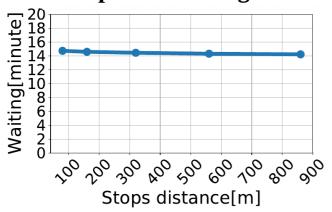
Per-vehicle occupation



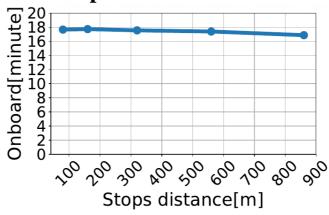
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Impact on Quality of Service

Per-person waiting time

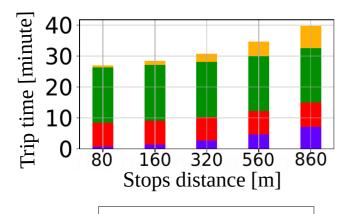


Per-person onboard time

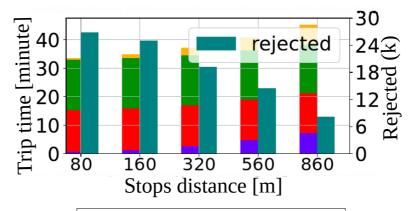


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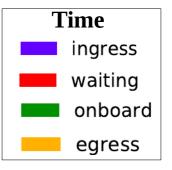
Per-trip total time



20 requests per h per km²



320 requests per h per km²[1, 2]



Conclusions

Varying the Consolidation degree (varying the stop density)...

- → you have a system in between ride sharing and bus
- → favor *high capacity* or *quality of service*

NOT absolute benefits

→ beneficial when demand is high with respect to the number of vehicles

AMoDSim simulator

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Tortuosity

Tortuosity of a trajectory at the i-th stop-point

$$T(i,v) \equiv \frac{l(q_i,...,q_{i+H})}{m_{qi}\{q_i,...,q_{i+H}\}}$$
(1)

Tortuosity of a vehicle (average of the tortuosity at all its stop-points)

$$T(v) = \frac{1}{n-H} \sum_{i=1}^{n-H} T(i, v)$$
 (2)

- → $T(v) \ge 1$
- \rightarrow T(v) = 1 \rightarrow the vehicle chooses the shortest trajectory at every stop point
- → The shortest trajectory may be impossible due to time constraints