

# Anomalous Traffic Flow and Clustering Method

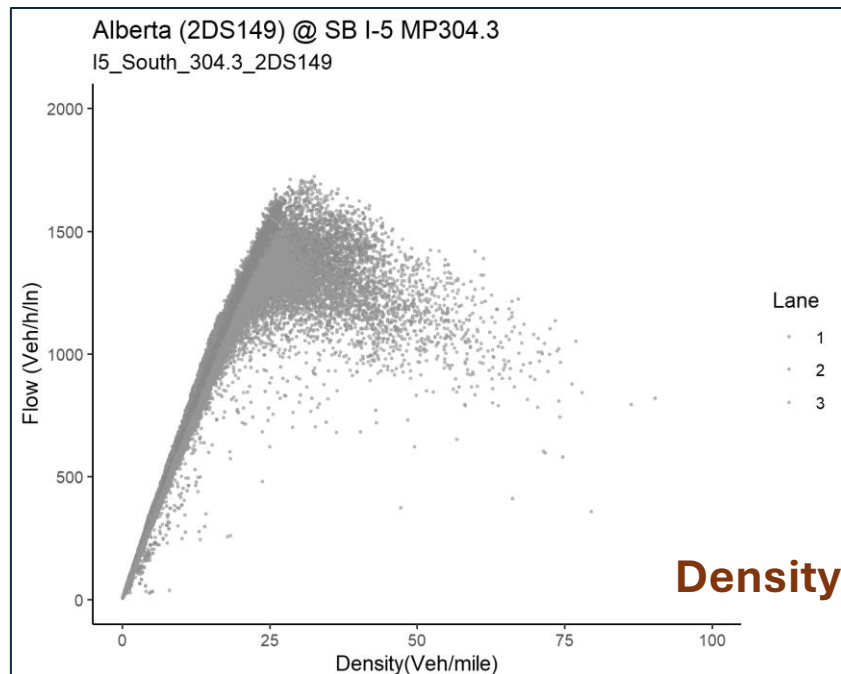
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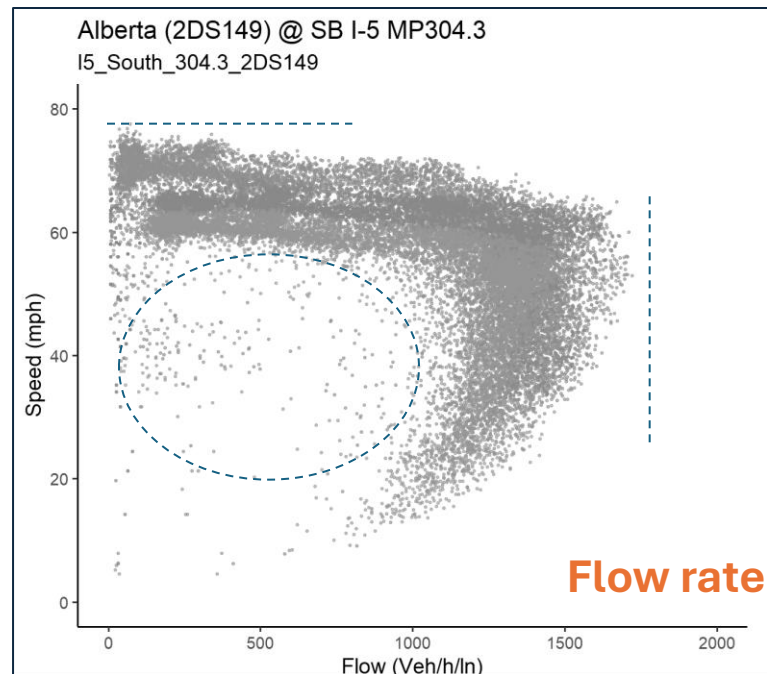
# Anomalous

- Extreme, unrealistic value (magnitude)
- Rare, non-recurrent flow (frequency)
- Unknown, unreasonable status (explanation)

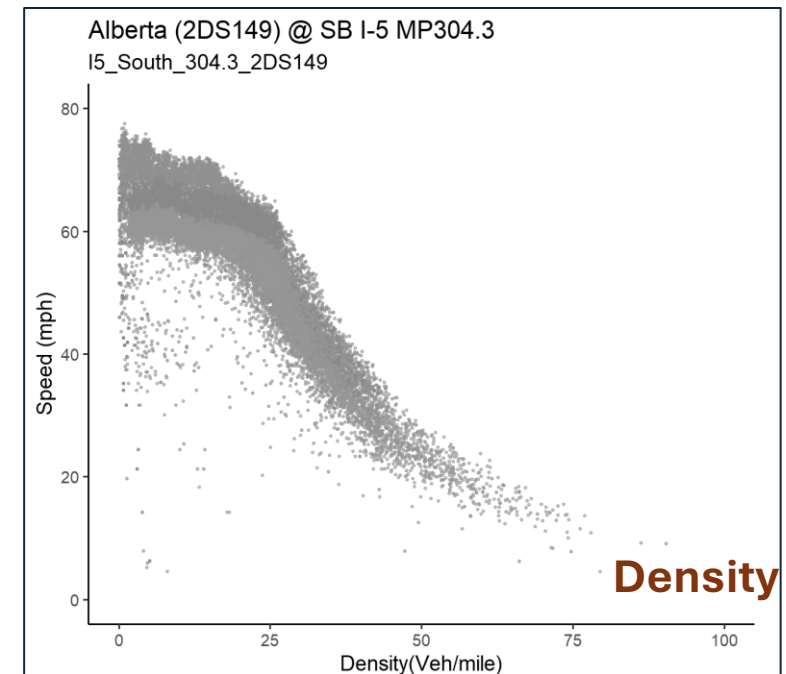
Flow rate



Speed



Speed



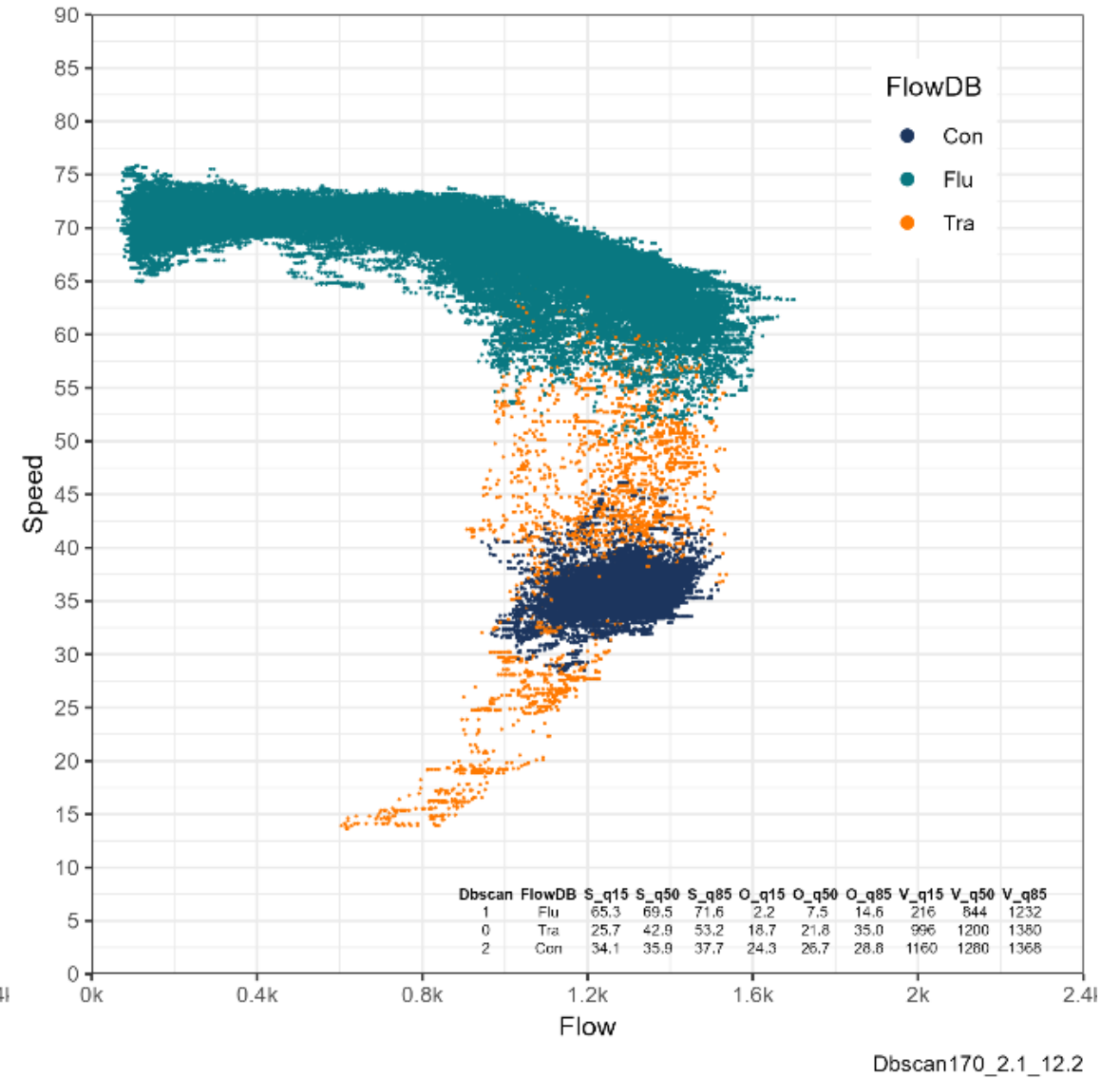


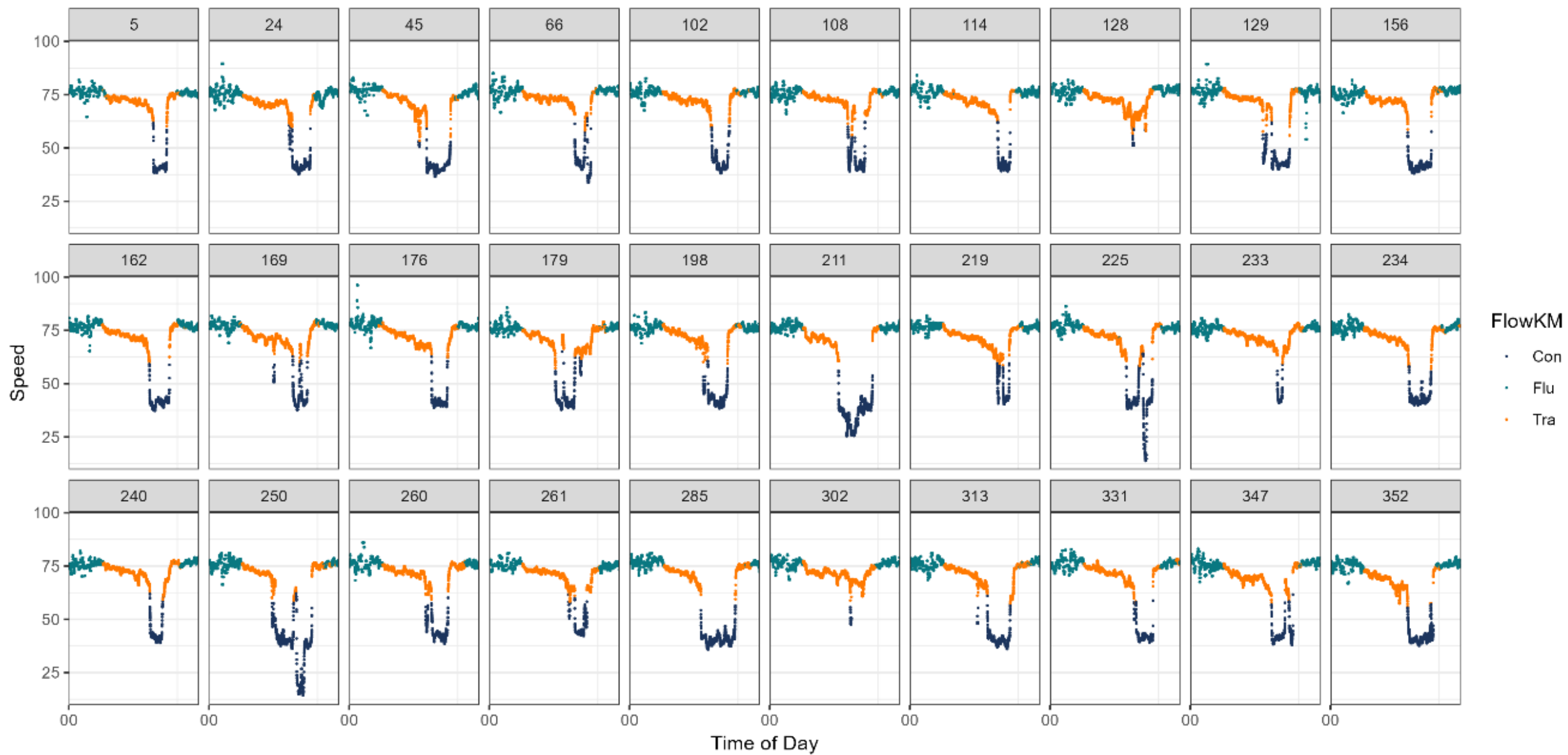
How  
clustering  
helps?



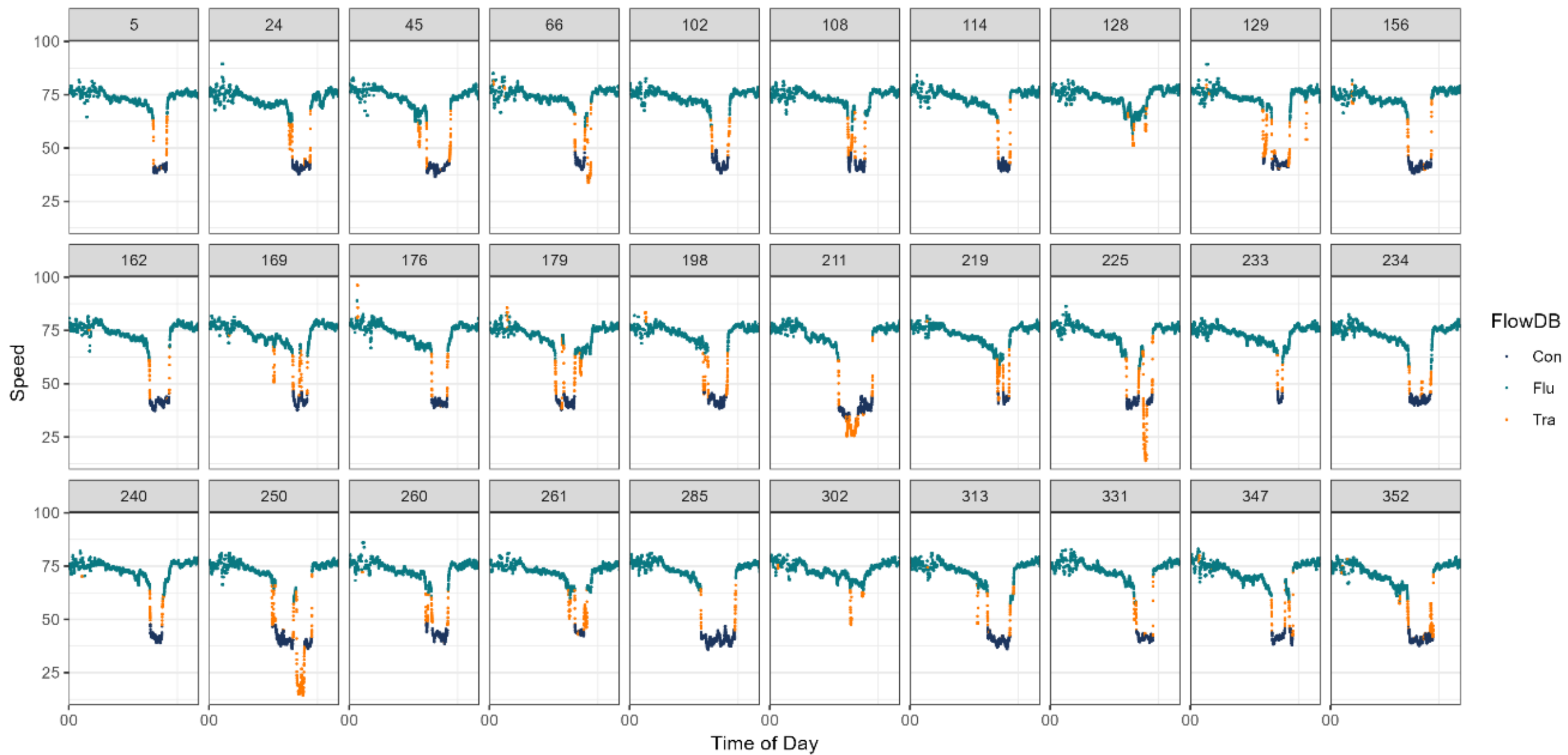


# Traffic flow regimes and clustering methods

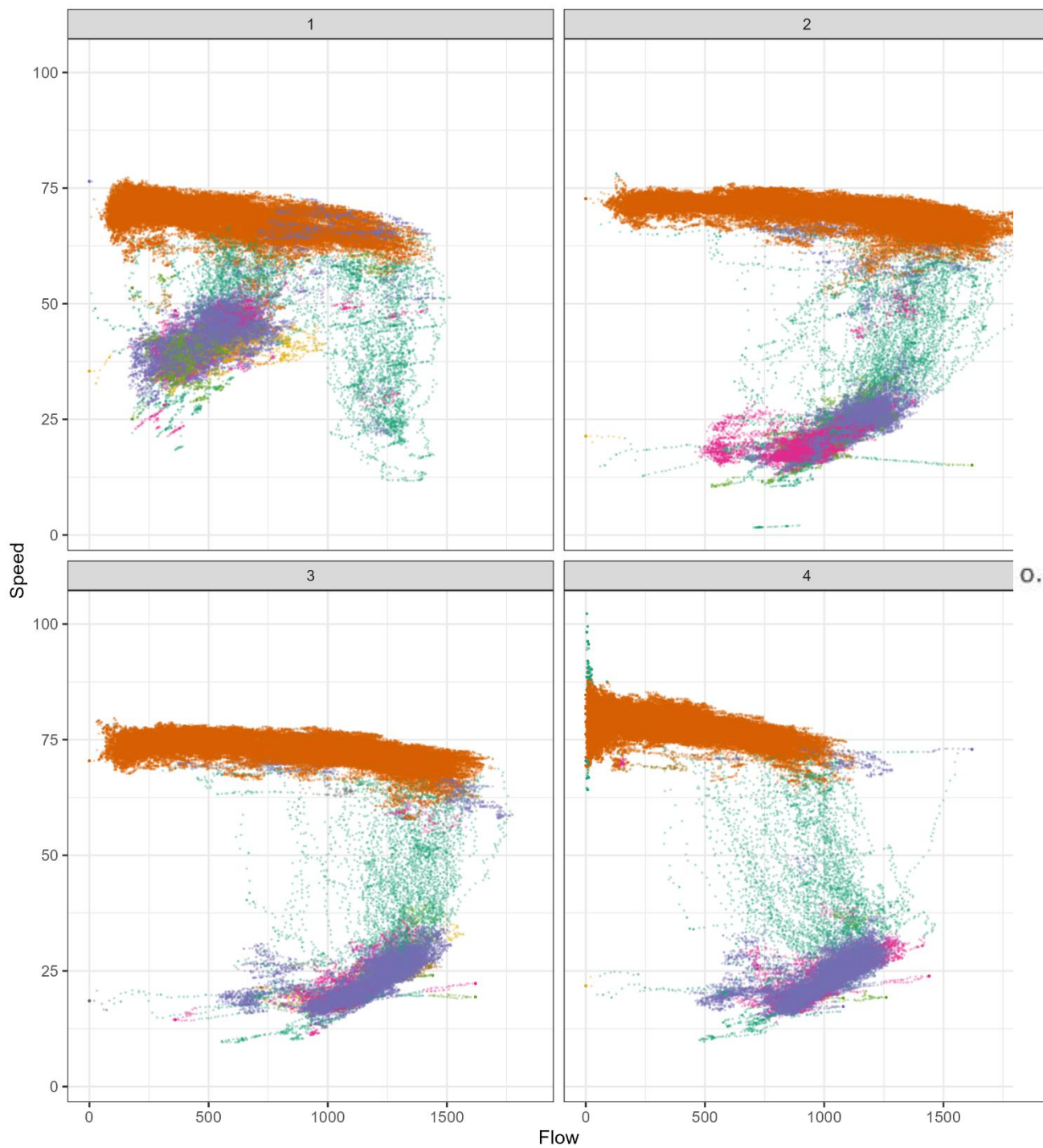




Kmeans

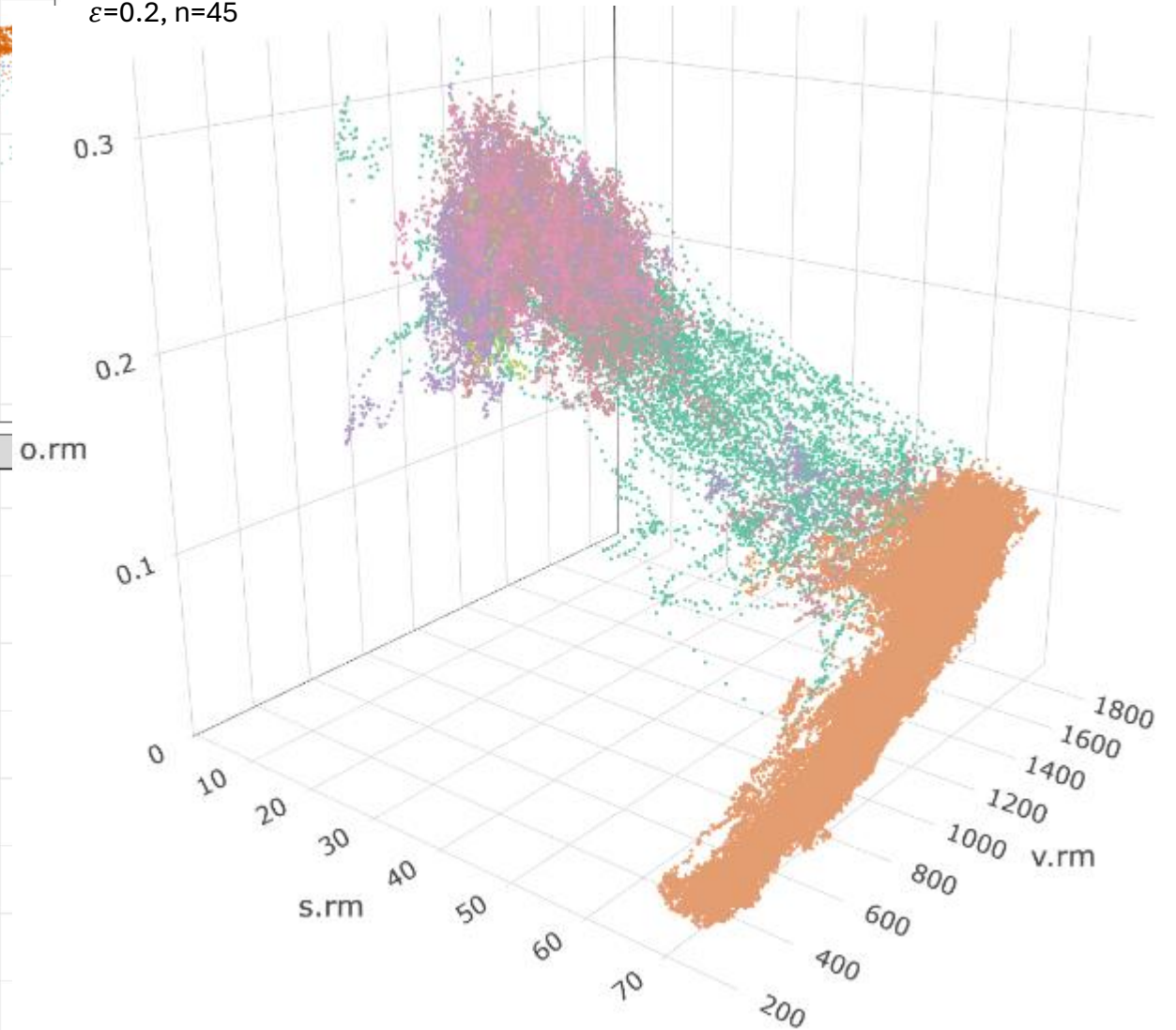


Dbscan



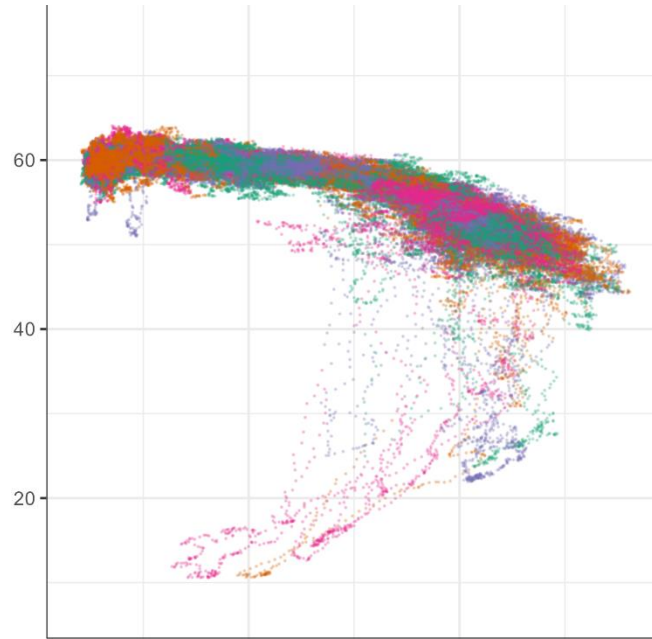
## DBSCAN

(weighted harmonic) 15-min rolling average of 20-sec,  
By day,  
Center ( $v=600$ ,  $s=60$ ,  $o=0.1$ ),  
 $\epsilon=0.2$ ,  $n=45$

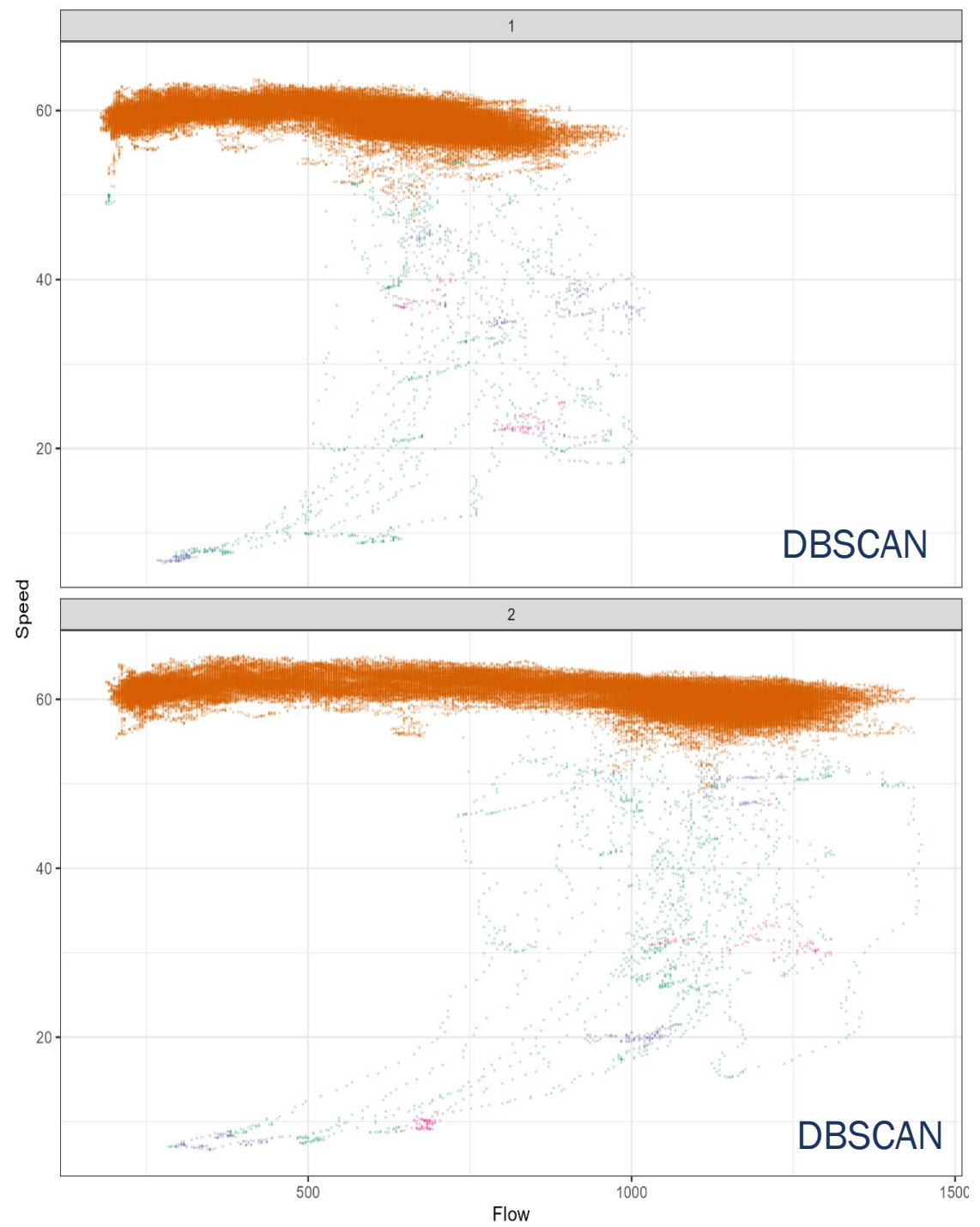
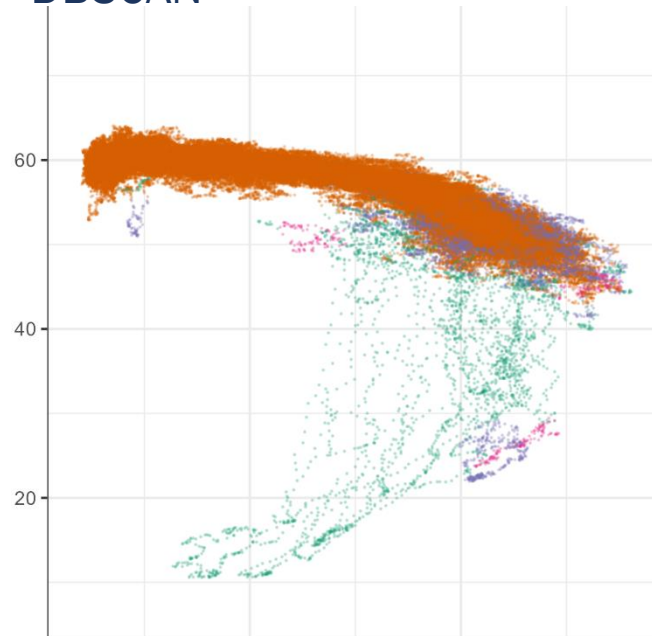




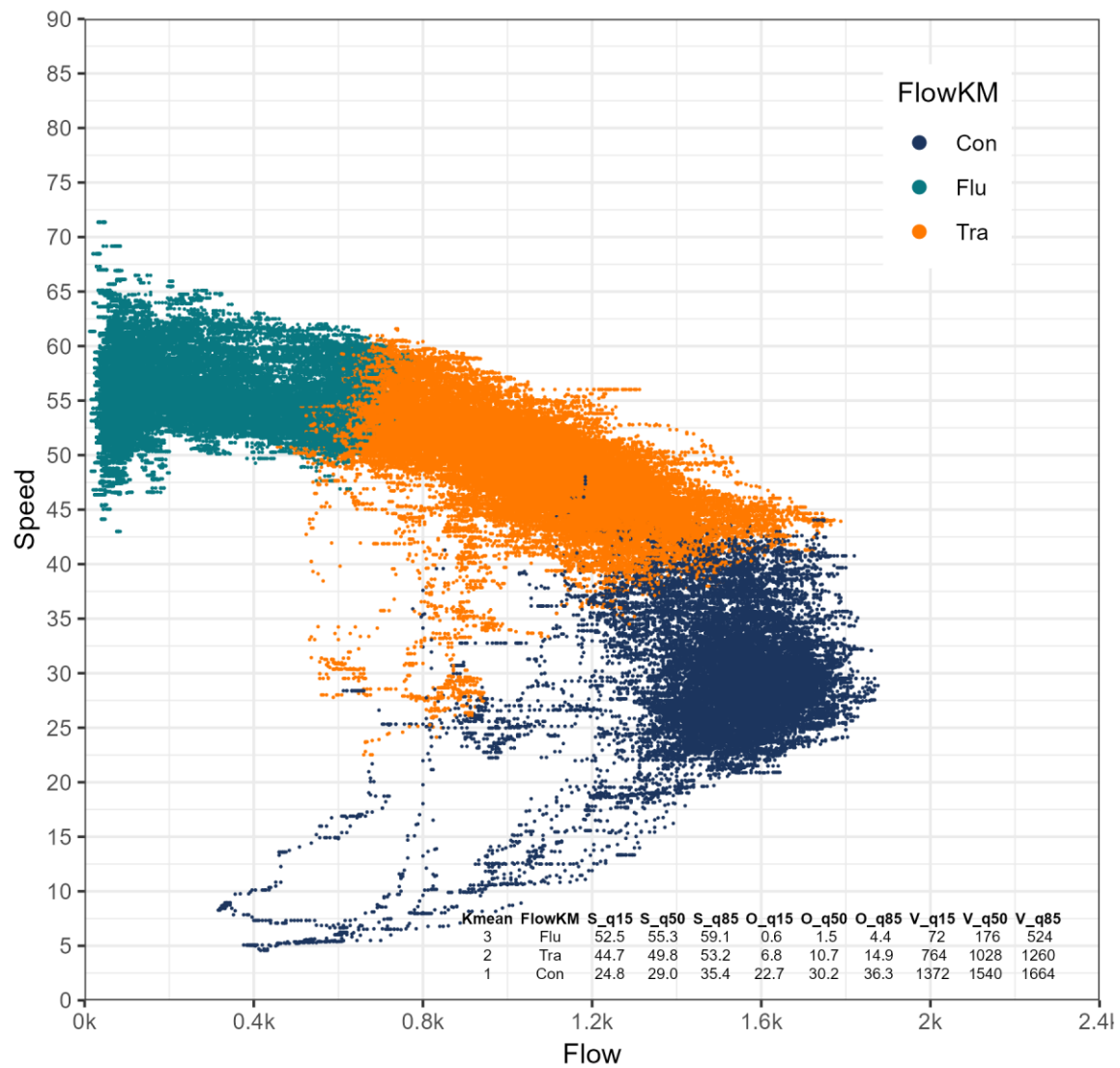
K-mean



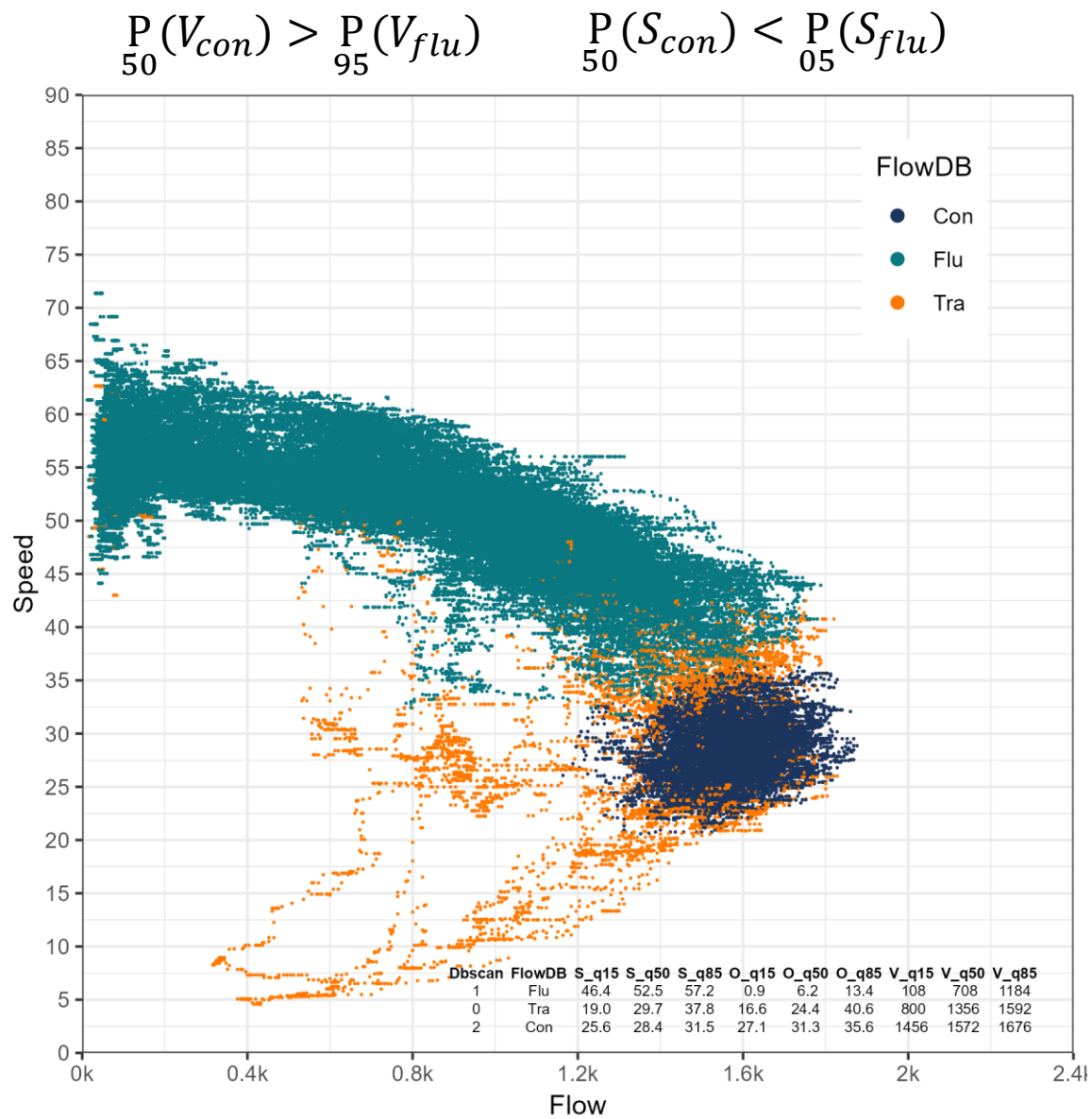
DBSCAN





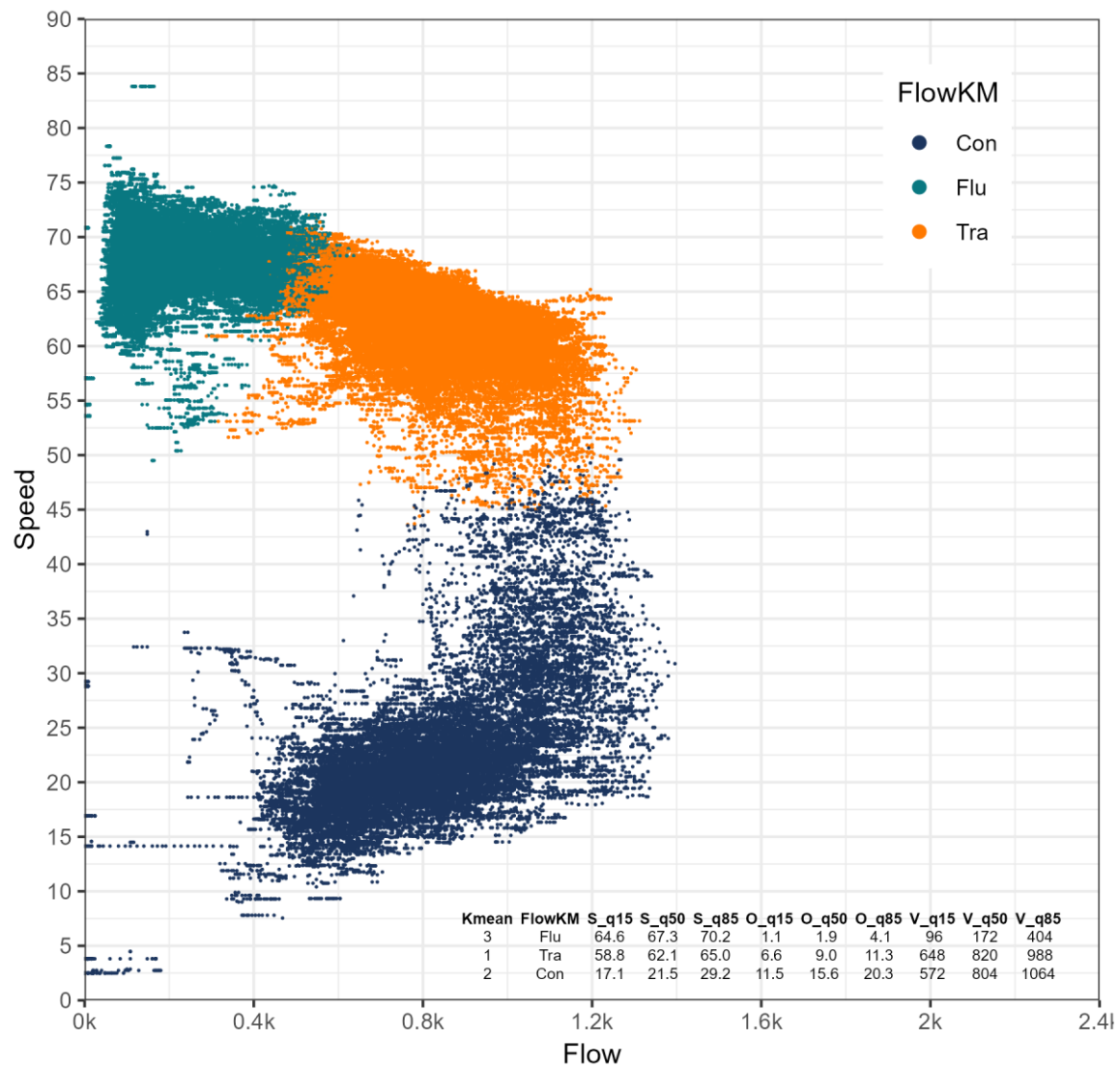


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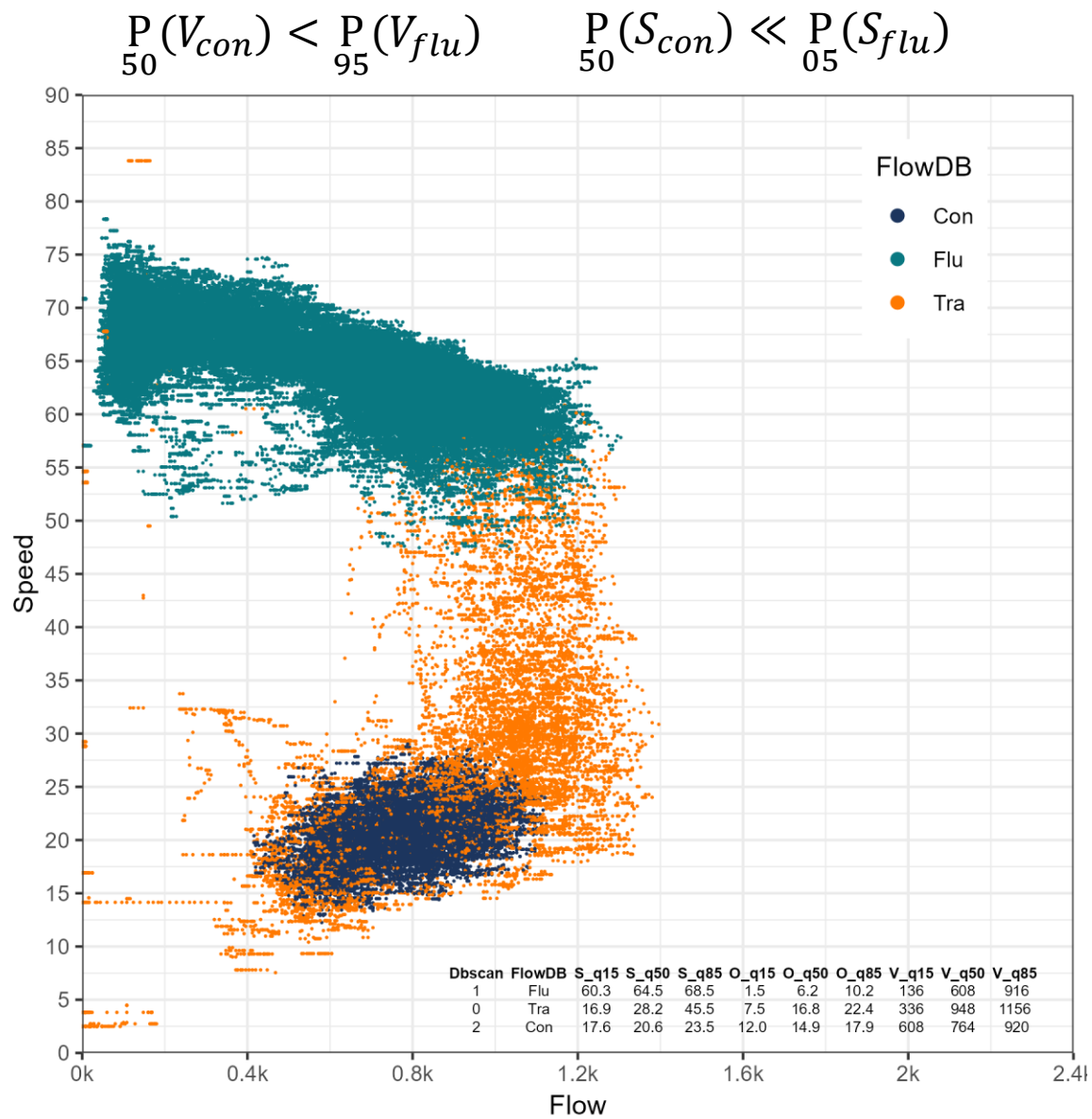


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Kmeans



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# Summary

- Anomalous

Magnitude - vary by cases

Frequency - vary by research questions

Explanation - vary by users' preferences

20s, 1m, 5m, 15m, 1hour

0 mph or 0 veh/h

Noise vs. outlier

- Data authenticity
- Transparent & traceable
- Tagging potential status/events