Velocity Optimization of Pure Electric Vehicles with Traffic Dynamics Consideration

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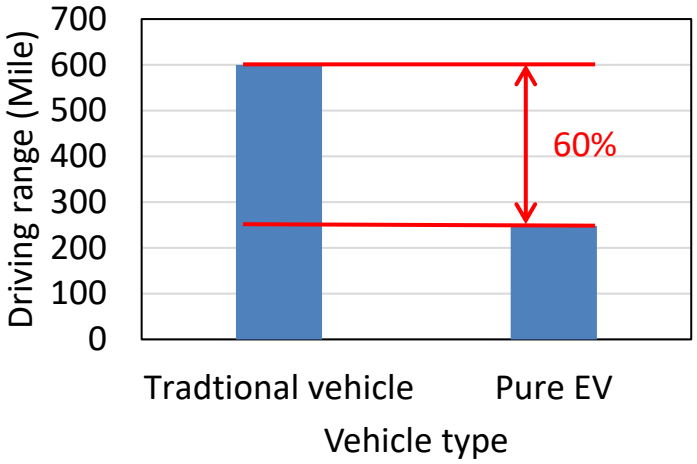

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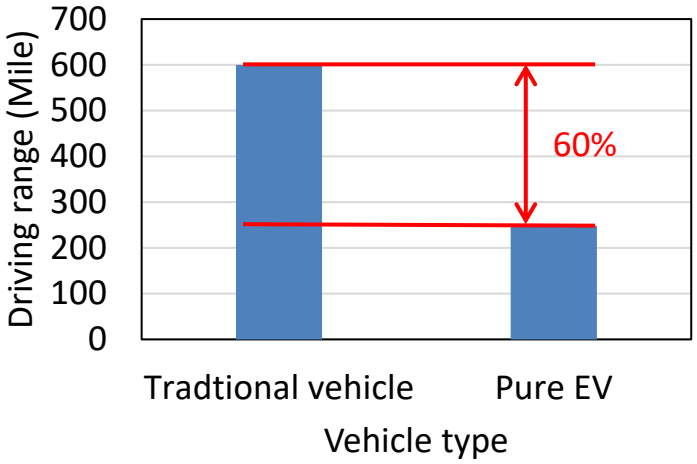

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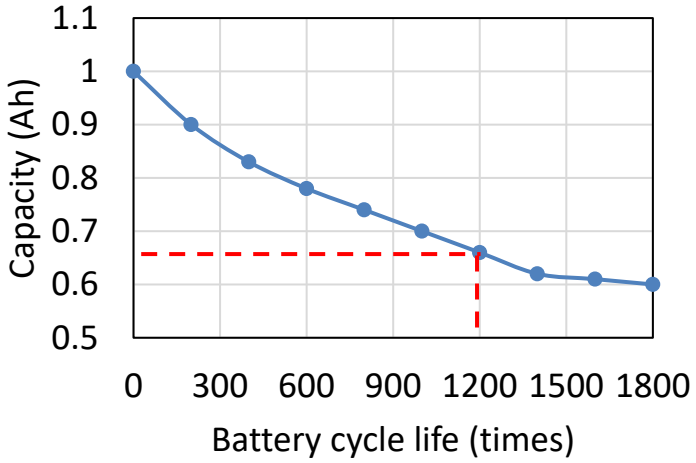

Battery cycle life of lithium-ion battery

[1] EV: Electric vehicle whose energy source totally comes or part from the battery pack.

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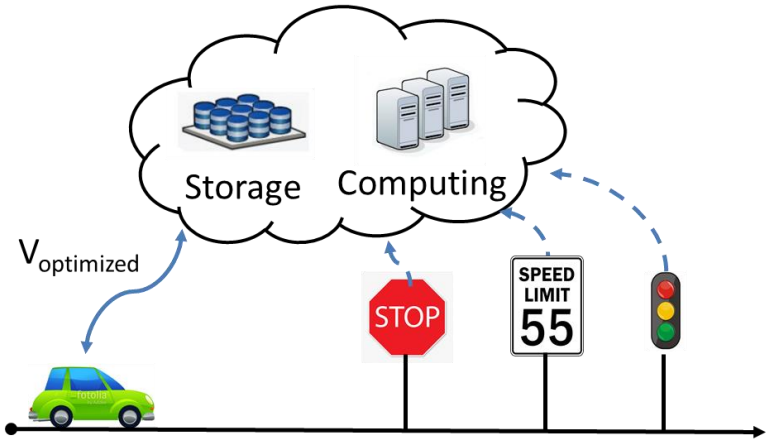

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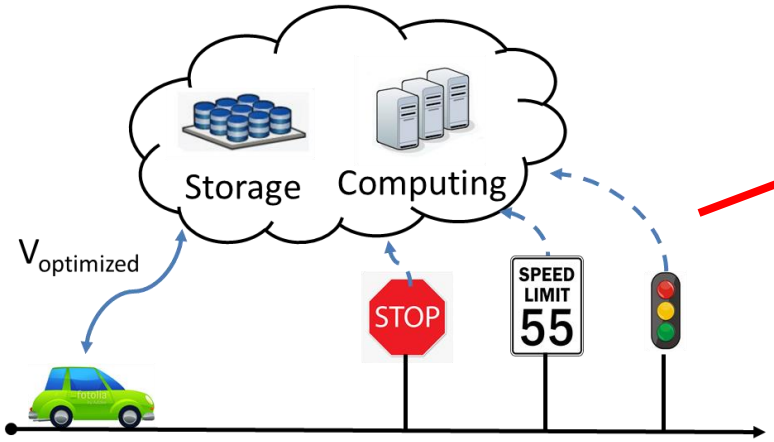

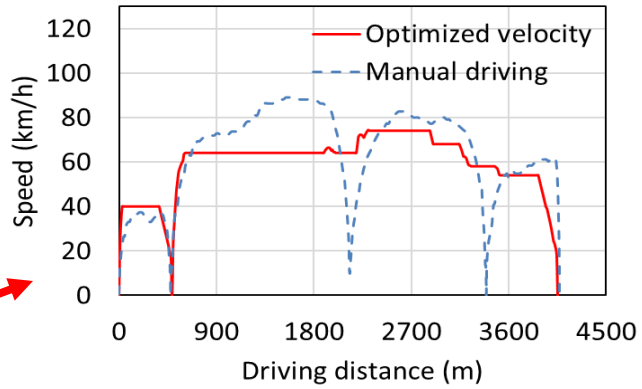

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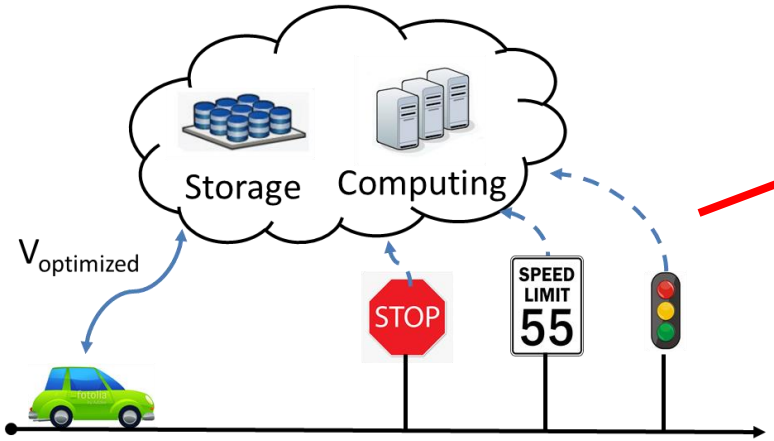

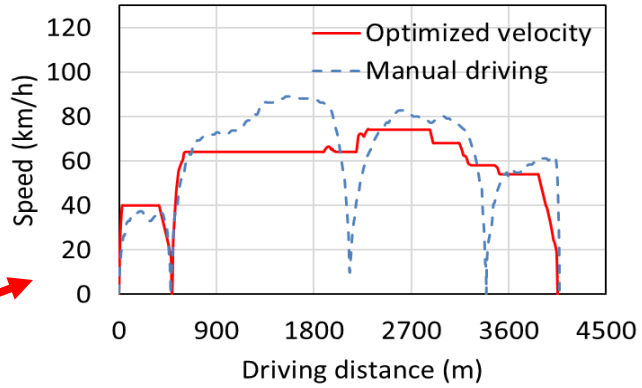

Energy consumption reduced by 20%

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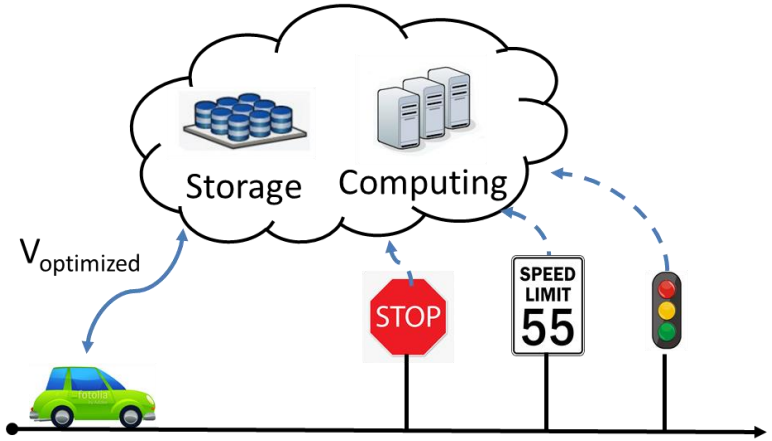

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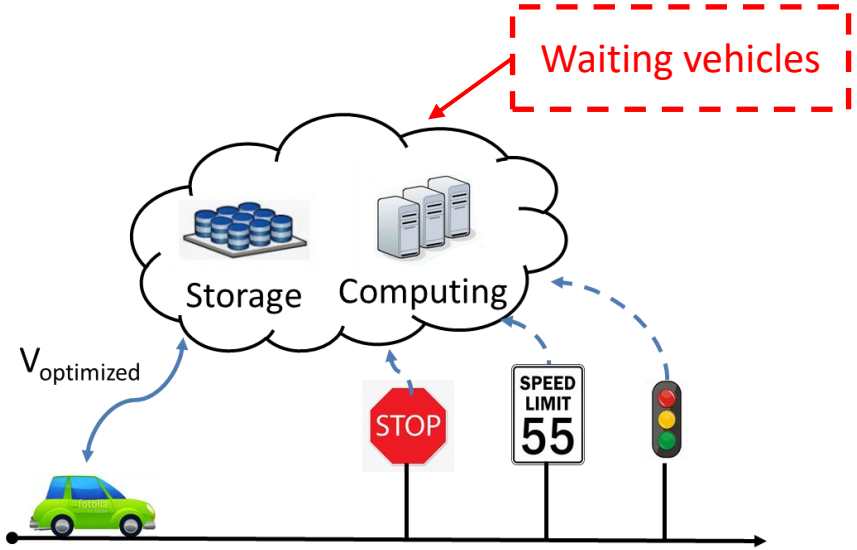

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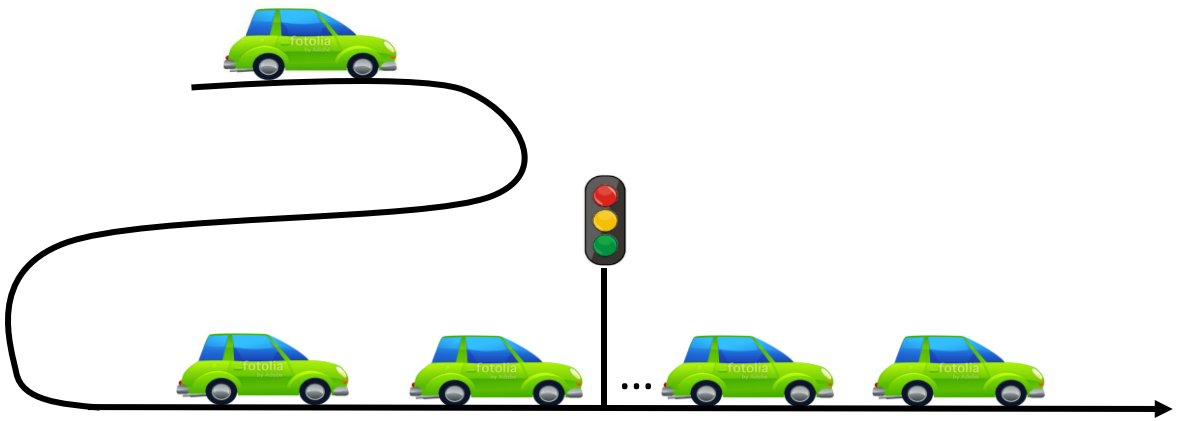

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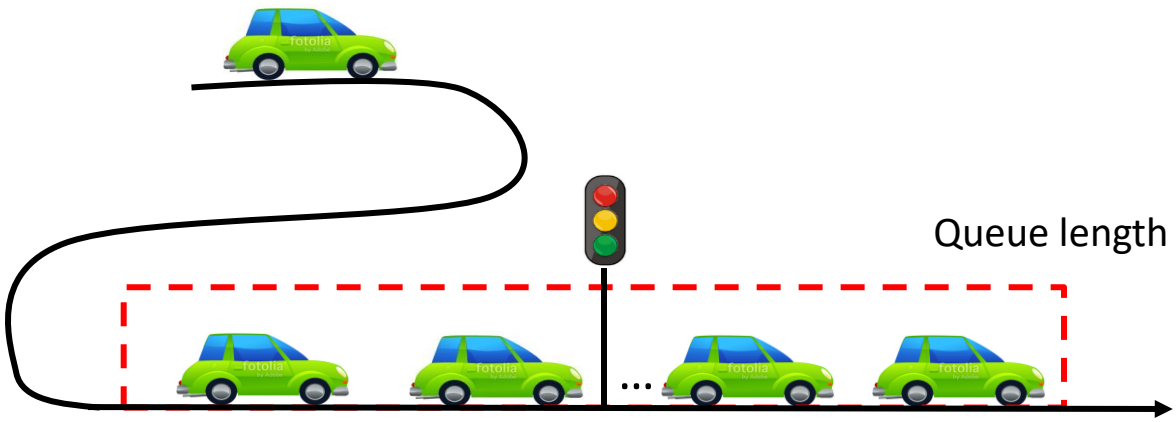

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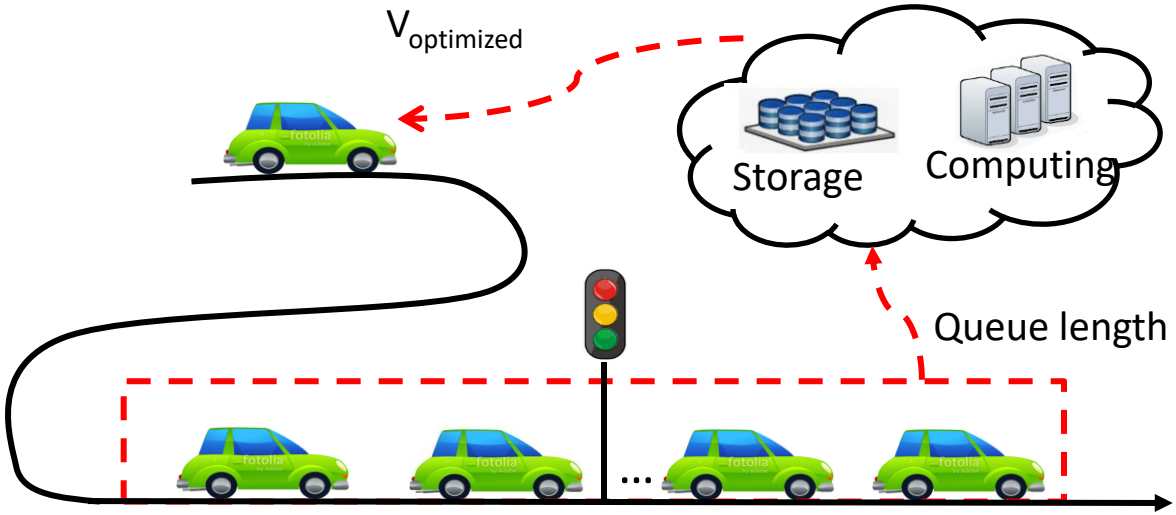

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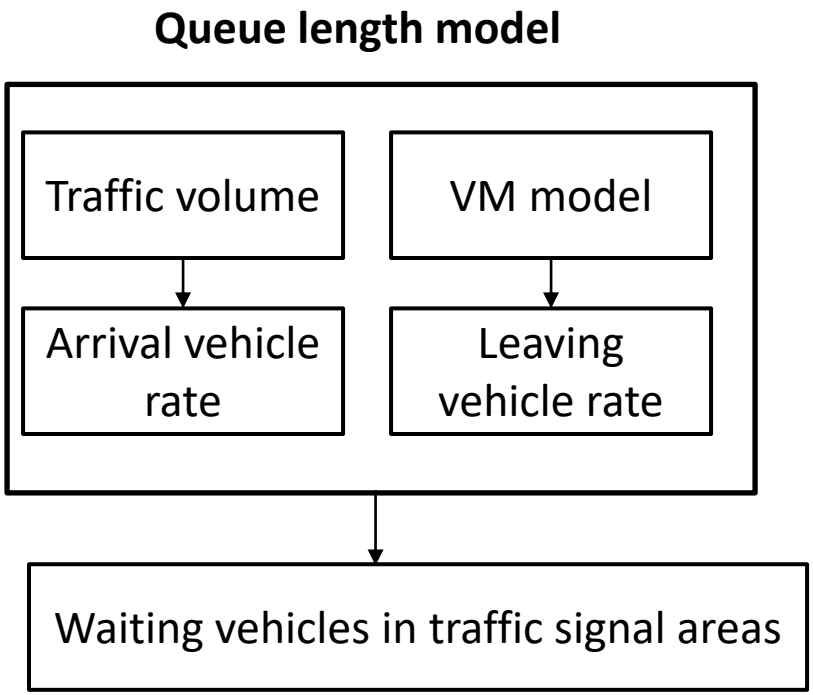

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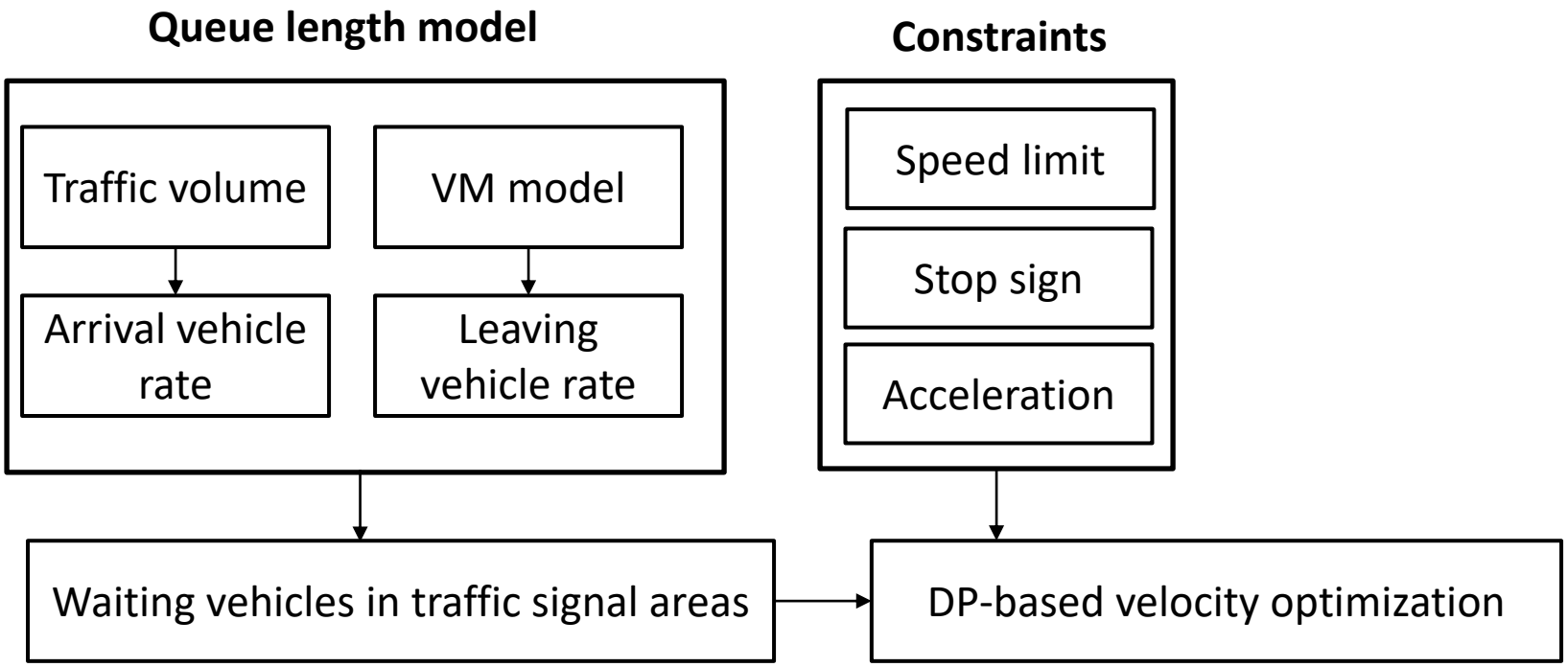

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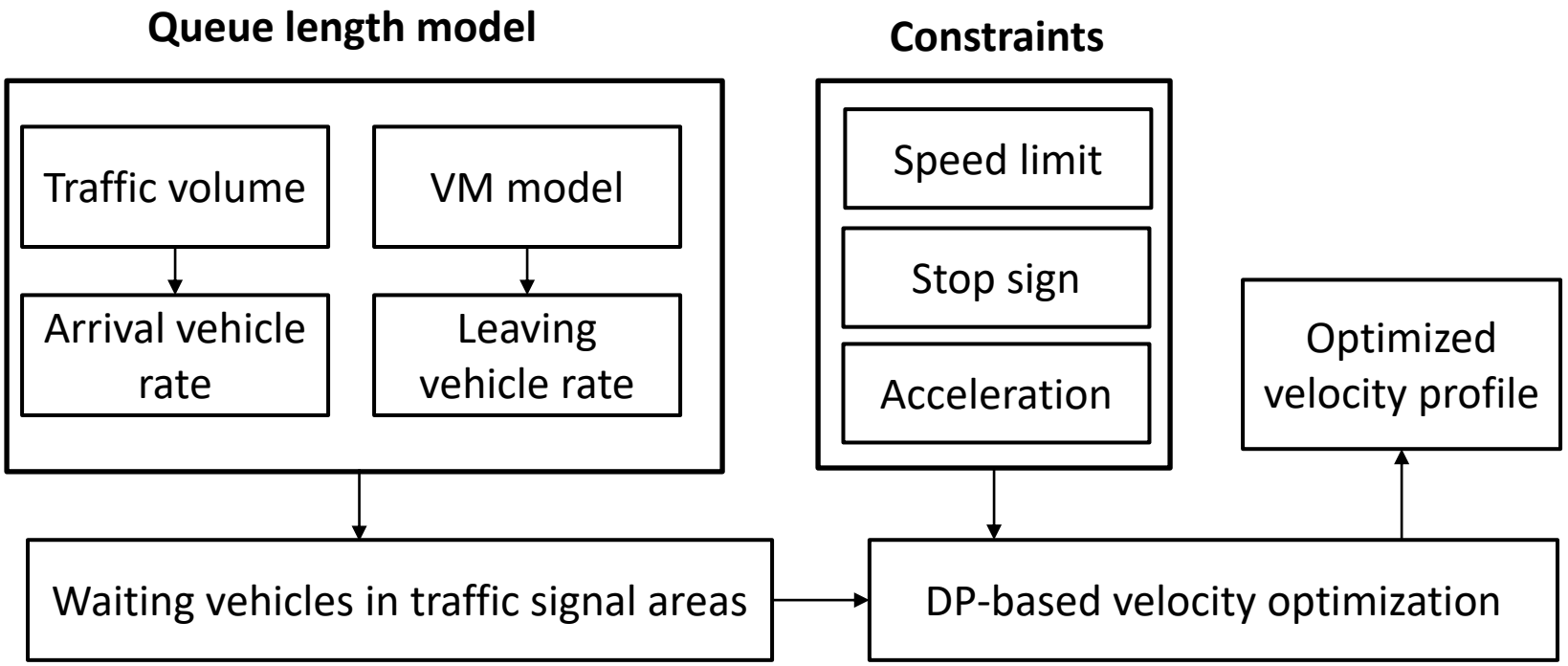

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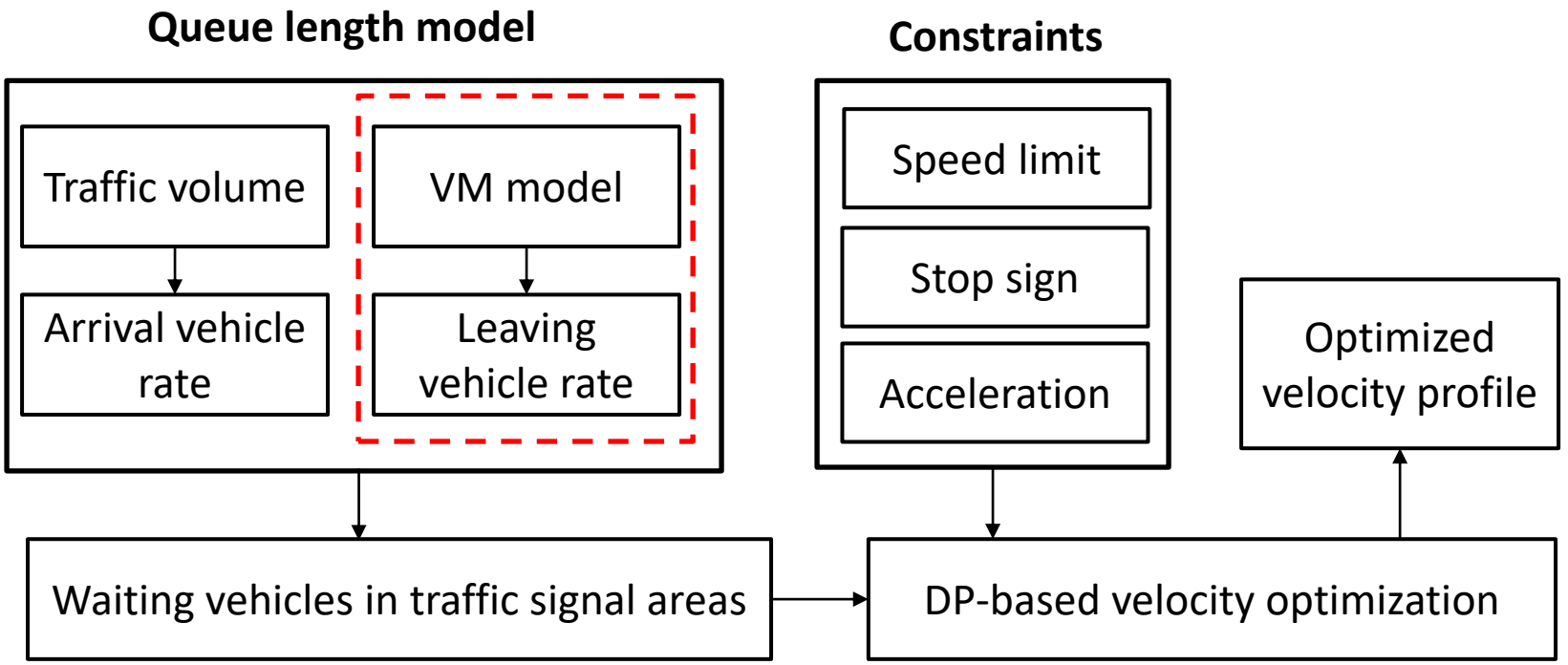

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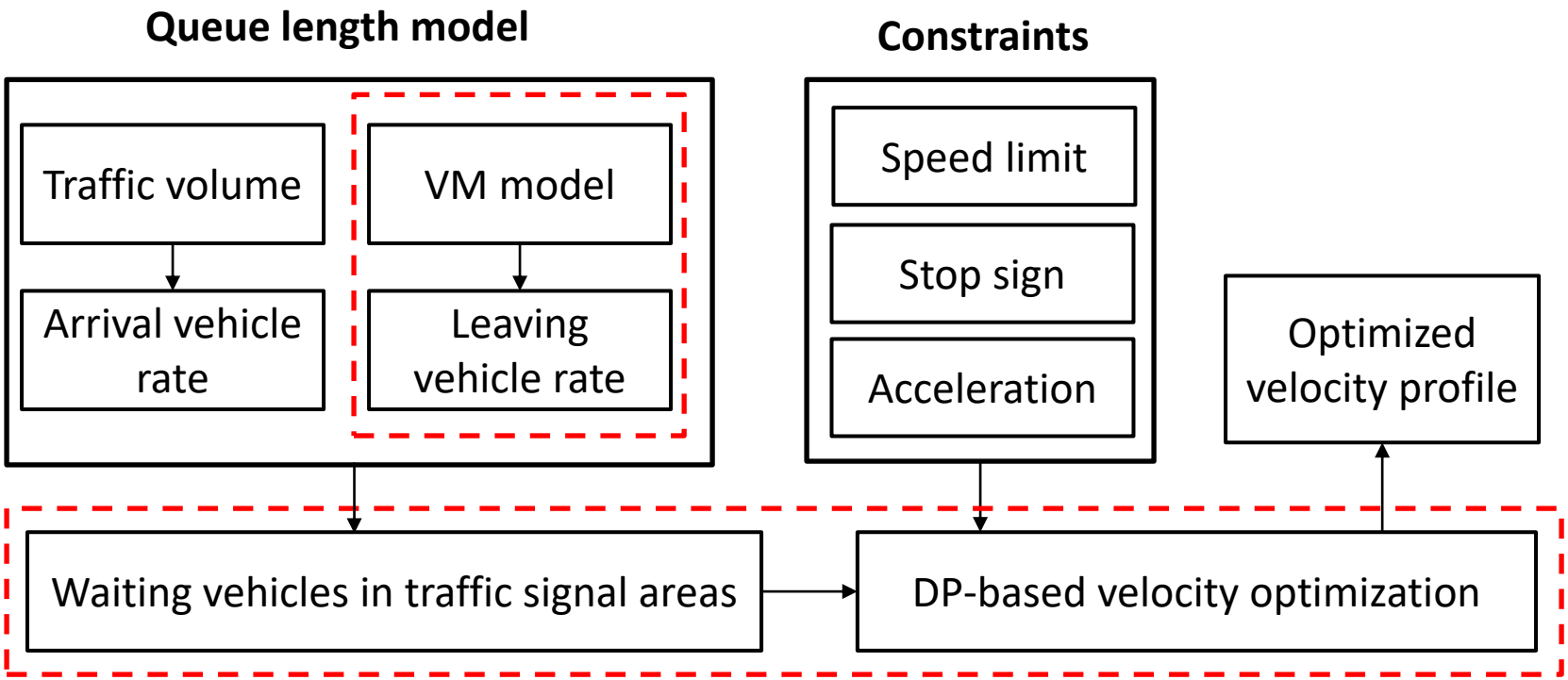

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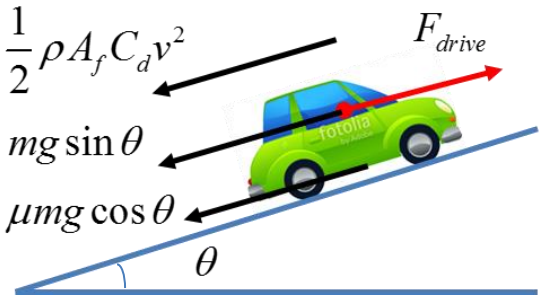

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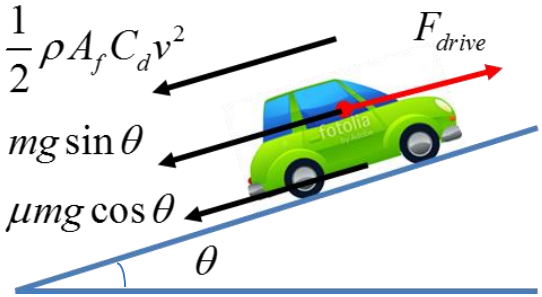

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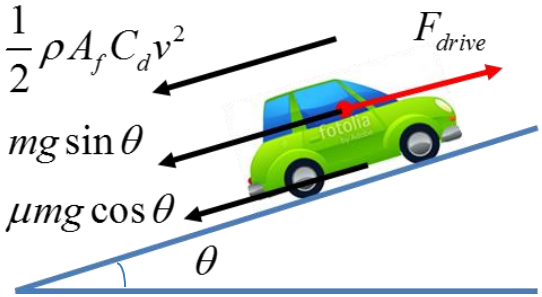

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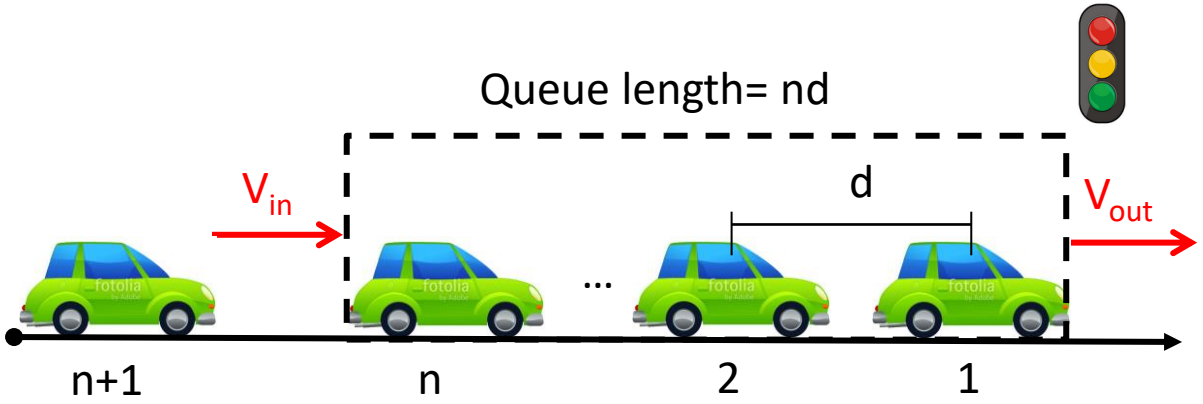

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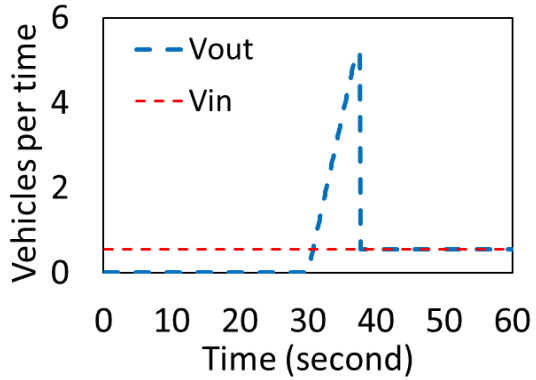

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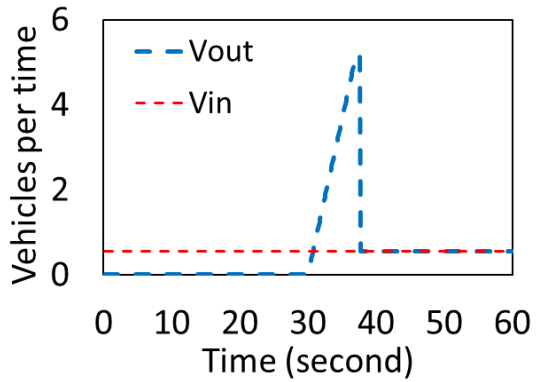

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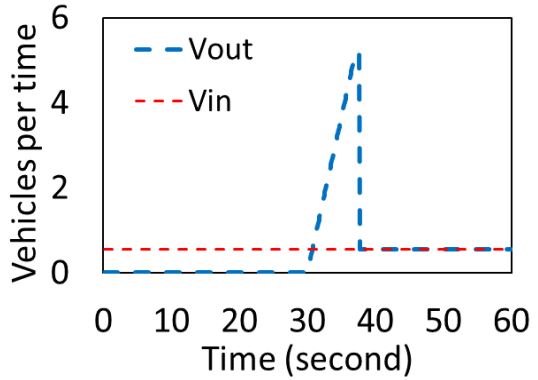

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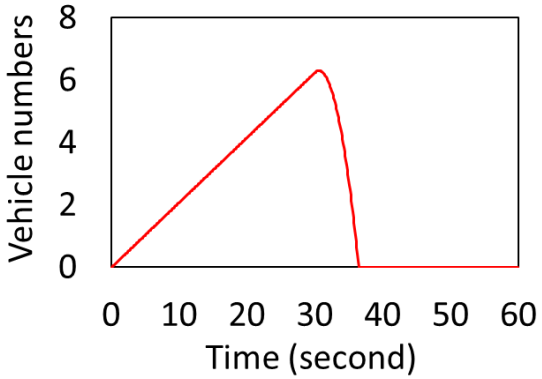

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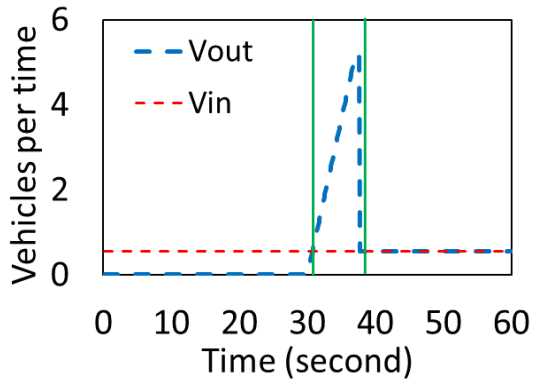

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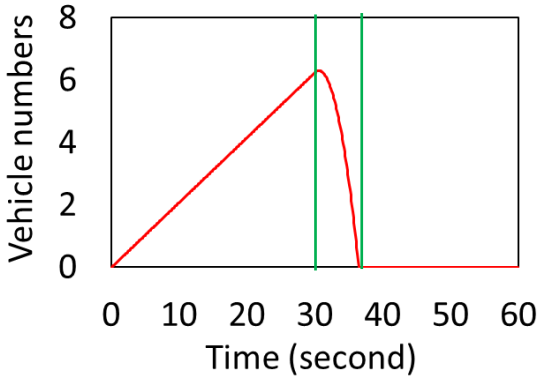

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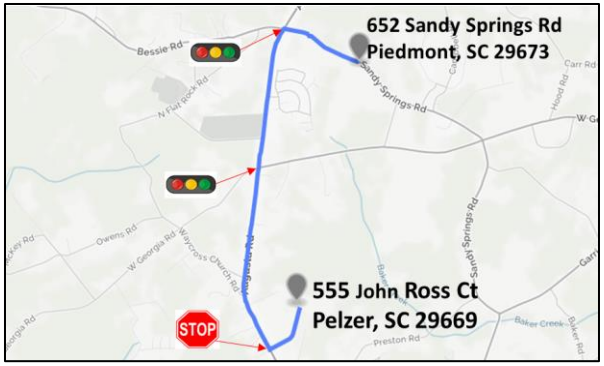

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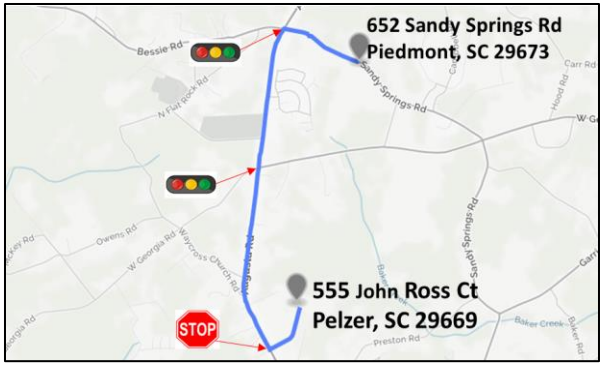

3. Velocity optimization results are verified in SUMO environment

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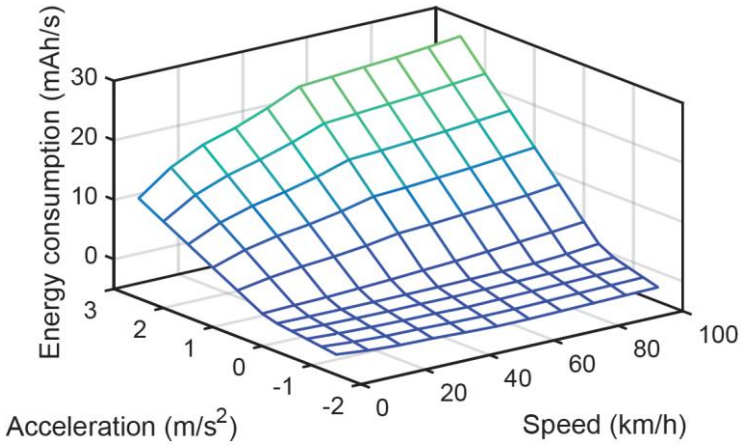
Energy consumption estimation

Data:

- ❑ Parameters of Chevrolet S-park EV
- ❑ Road gradient effect is ignored here

Estimation result:

- ❑ EV consumes more energy when it accelerates



Energy consumption of pure EV

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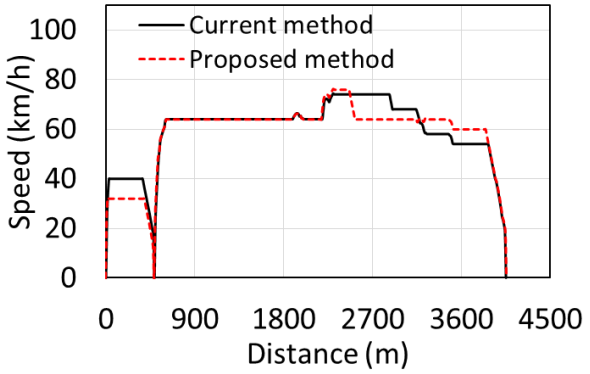
Velocity optimization

Metric: Total energy consumption during the trip

Observation: Reduces by **8.4%** energy compared with current method in the experiment

Reason: Enables EVs to immediately pass through traffic lights without meeting waiting vehicles



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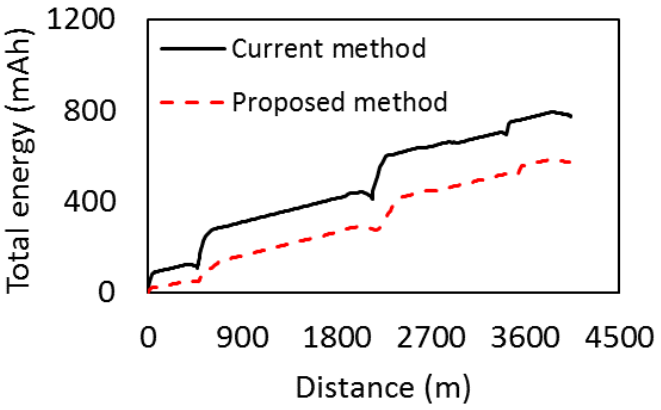

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Future work

1. Consider the effect of road gradient on the proposed system
2. More practical experiments in different traffic conditions

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Questions & Comments?

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