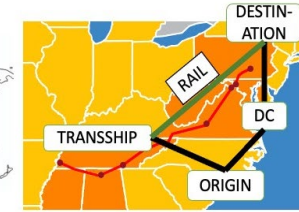


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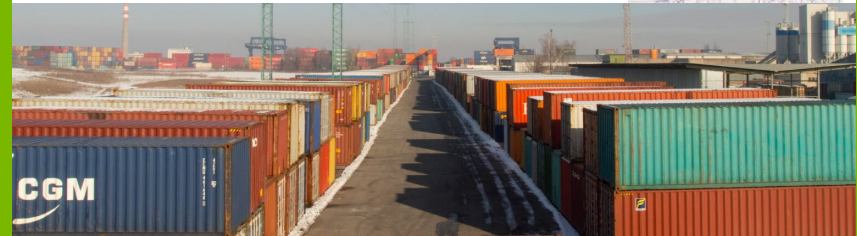
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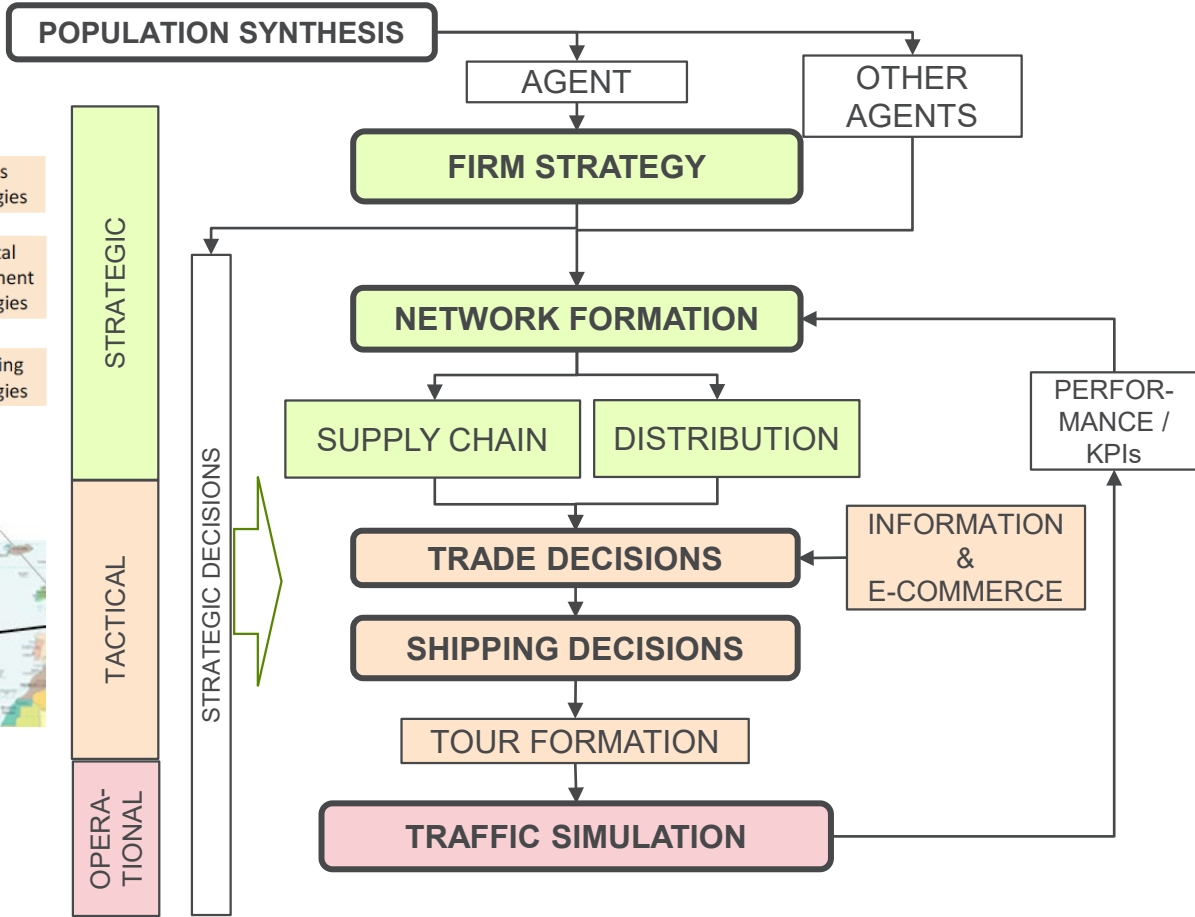
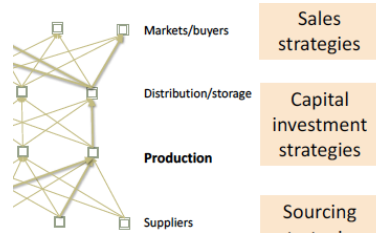
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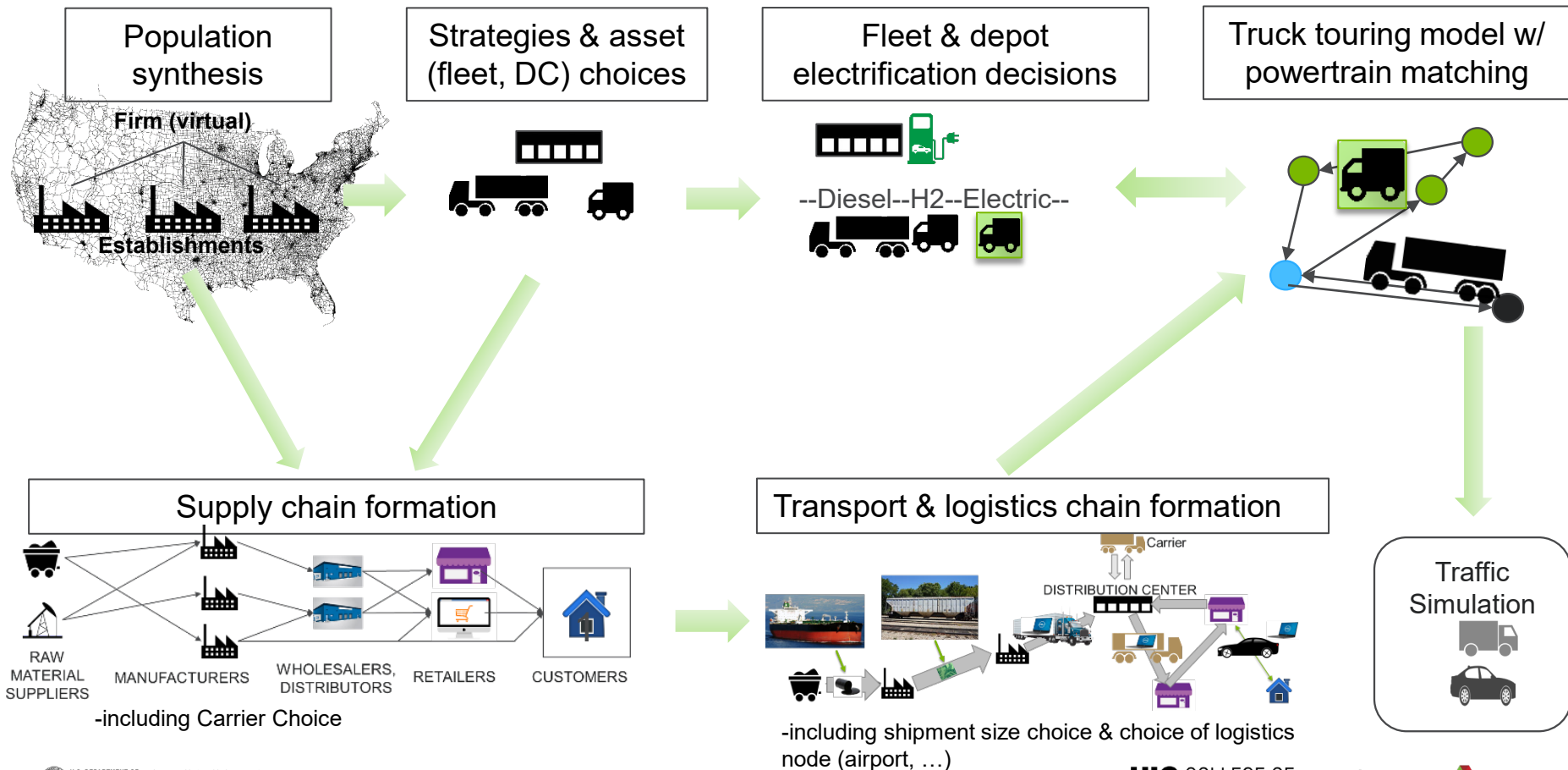
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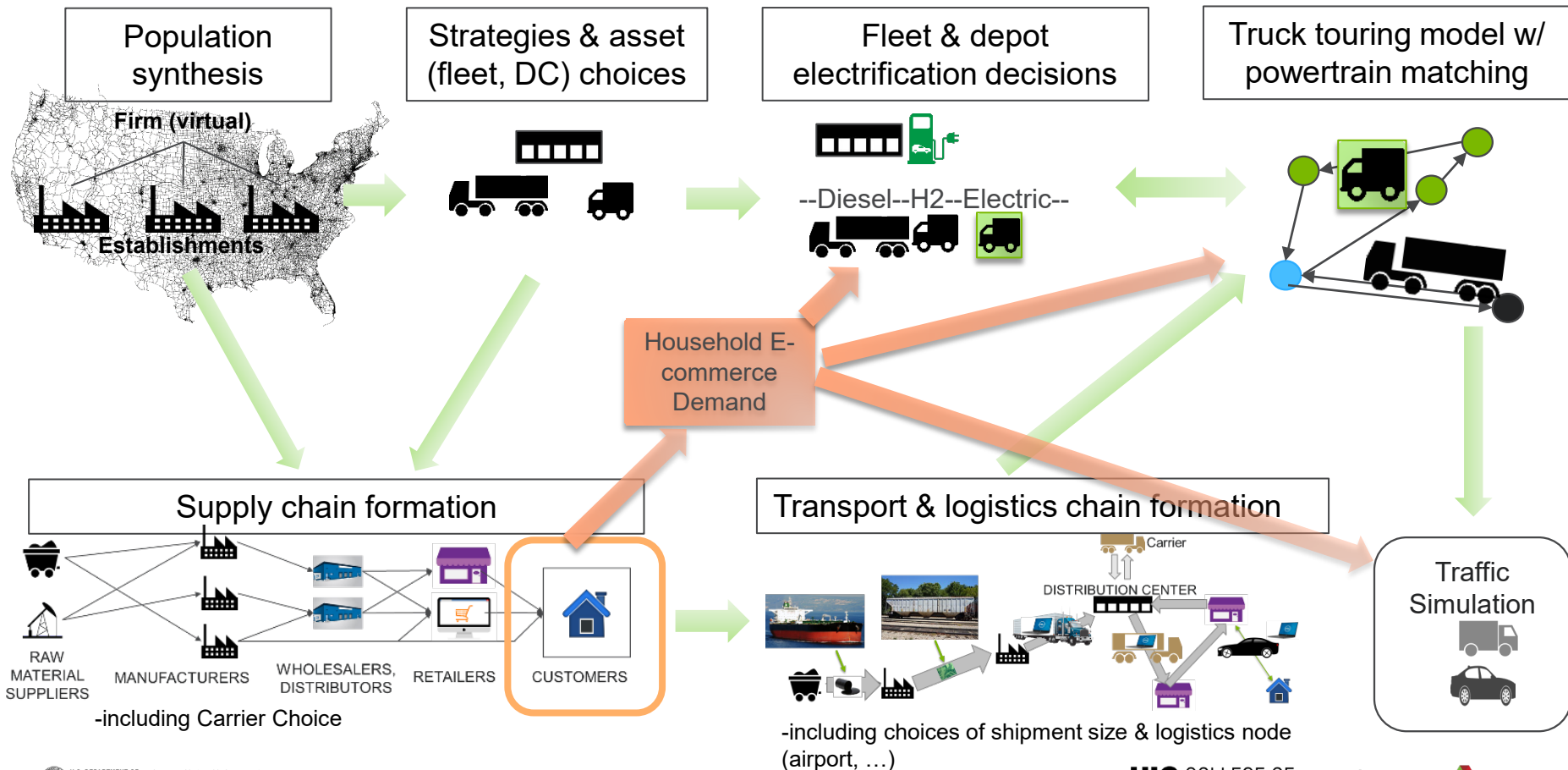


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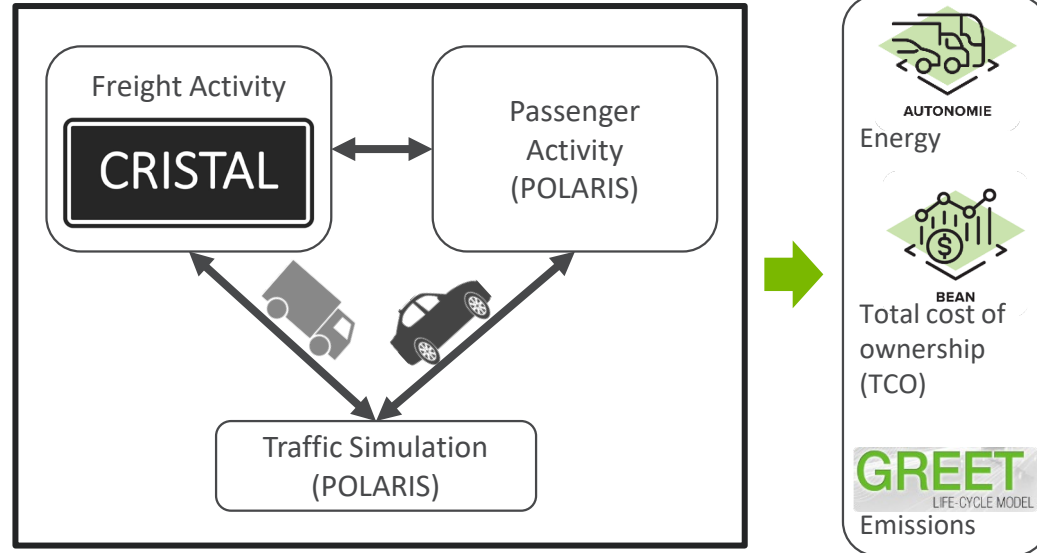
# IMPLEMENTATION: MODEL COMPONENTS



# IMPLEMENTATION OPTIONS

1. Stand-alone tool
2. Integrate with traffic assignment process
3. Integrate with passenger model for freight-passenger interactions (e.g., MatSim, regional MPO model, ...)

Object-oriented (in C++) implementation for US Dept. of Energy SMART Mobility Workflow analysis:



# DATA

## Business and properties

- US Census County & Zip Code Patterns (CBP, ZBP) and Statistics on US Businesses (SUSB)
- Proprietary sources - Dun & Bradstreet, Yahoo Finance, Bloomberg, CoStar (real estate) ...

**Fleets:** Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (VIUS) & proprietary source, Argonne Machine Learning for Energy Consumption tool

## Freight flows

- BTS and Census Commodity Flow Survey (CFS)
- BTS Freight Analysis Frameworks (FAF)
- US Census Input/Output relationship

## Geospatial, grade & elevation:

- OpenStreetMaps
- USDOT transportation network shapefiles
- HERE, US Geological Survey

**GPS:** ATRI, INRIX, private fleets

**Other:** Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS), household e-commerce demand (WholeTraveler, ASU, GrubHub, ...)



# DATA-DRIVEN MODEL COMPONENTS

Population characteristics

Behavioral econometric models of freight agent decisions

Optimization algorithms, heuristics to model operations

Behavioral models of household e-commerce demand

Multimodal network attributes

Vehicle characteristics (e.g., energy consumption and emissions)

Model calibration/validation

# Novel Features and Applications



# MODELING BOTH FIRMS AND THEIR MEMBER ESTABLISHMENTS IMPROVES FREIGHT AGENT REPRESENTATION

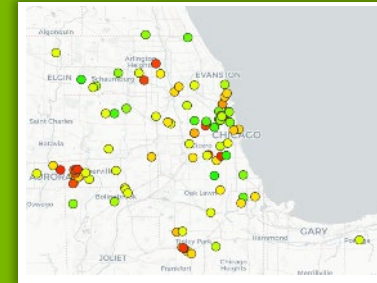
## NEW MODEL TO SYNTHESIZE FIRMS AND ESTABLISHMENTS



*Establishments in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 31, 32, 44, 48, 72*

## SITE SELECTION

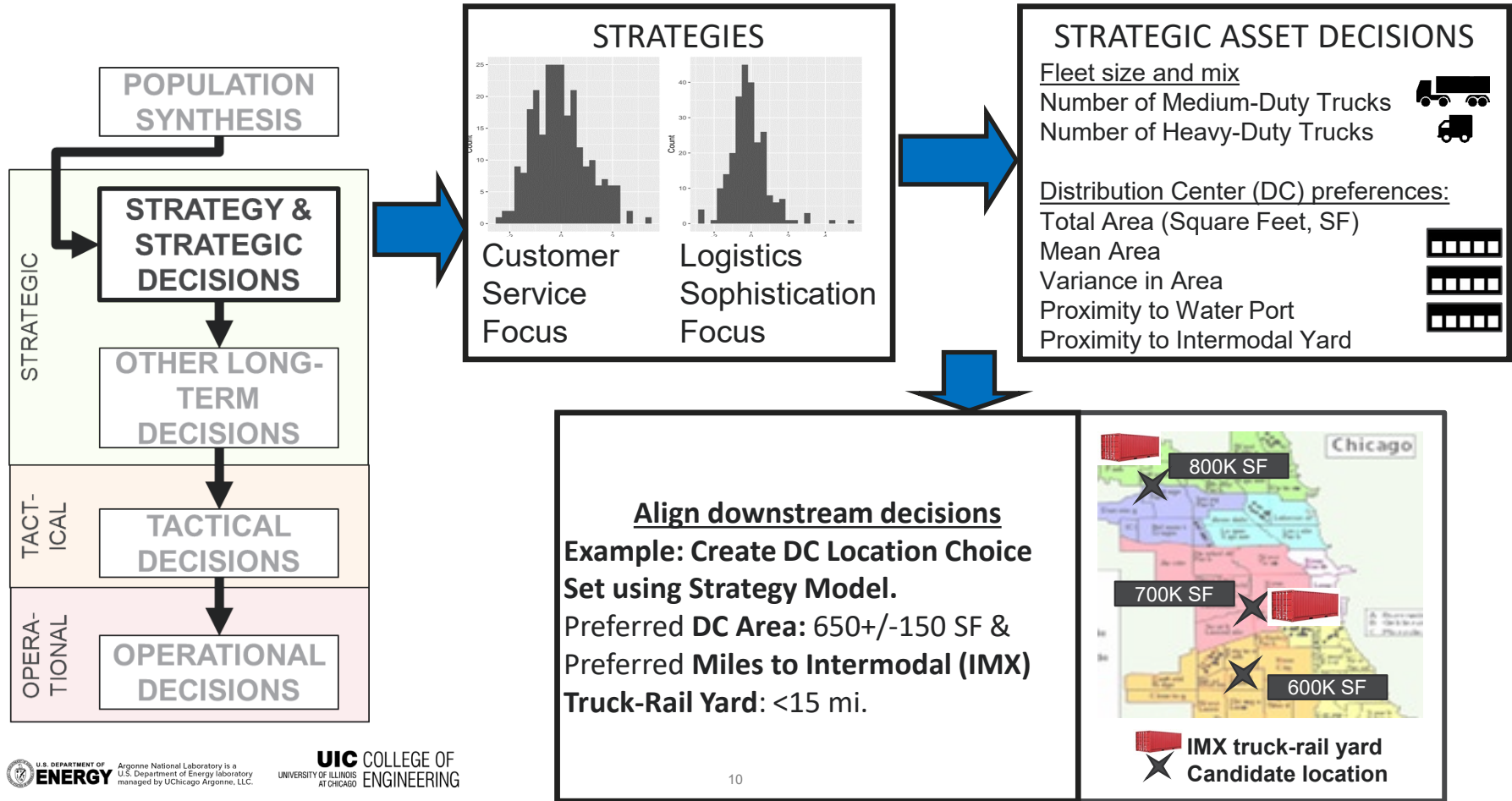
Business locations in region



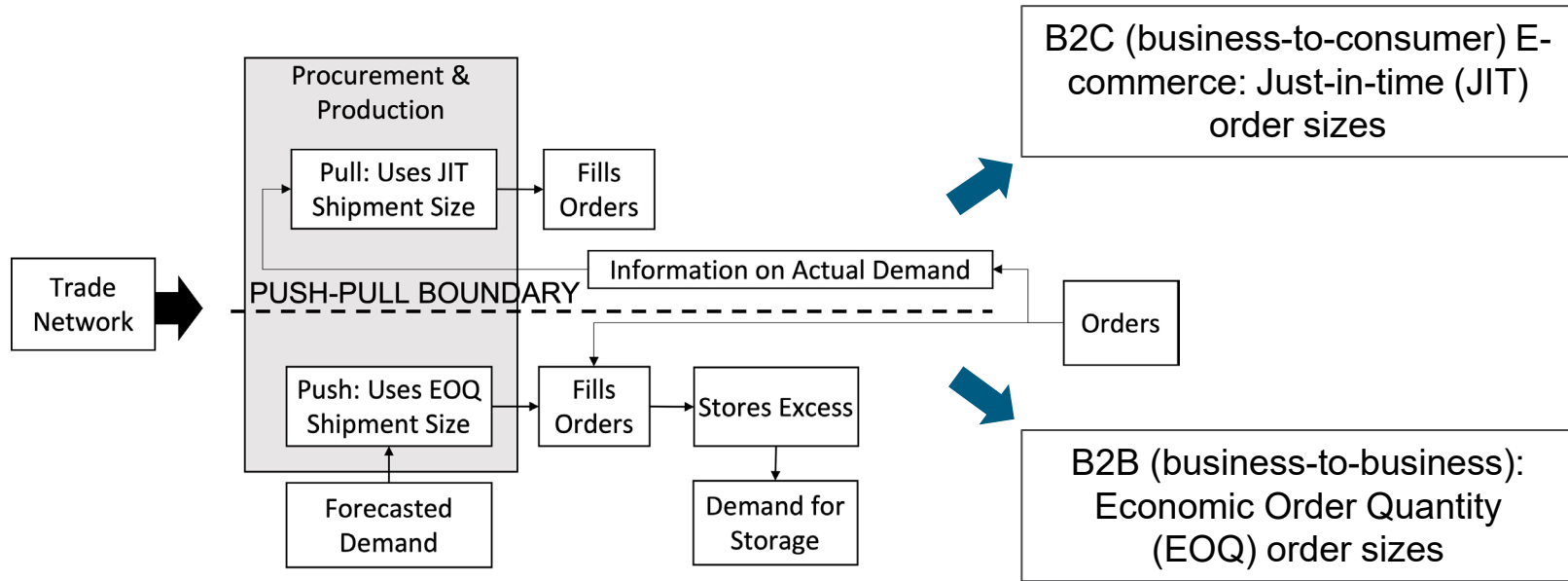
The new detailed firm population allows us to study:

- **Baseline and future** business population
- **Fleet, DC and electrification/hydrogen powertrain decisions** by firms
- **Shipment & truck movements** that pass through the DC belonging to the firm

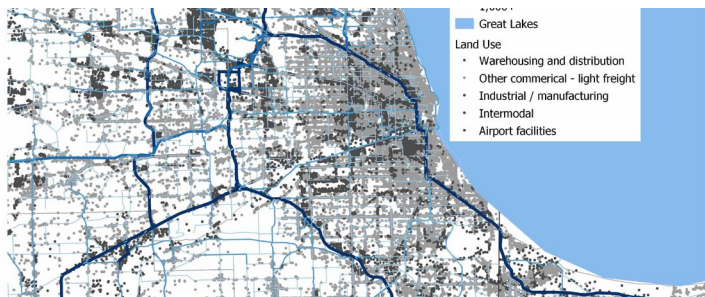
# MODELS OF STRATEGY AND STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT IMPROVE BEHAVIORAL ASPECTS



# INFORMATION HAS IMPACTS ON ORDER SIZE (& FREQUENCY) AND DEMAND FOR WAREHOUSING



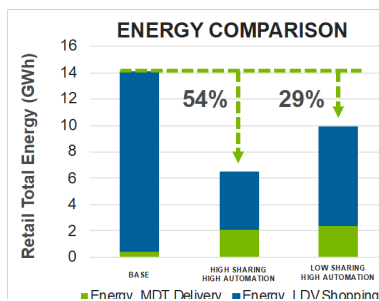
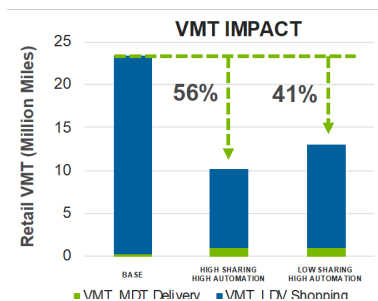
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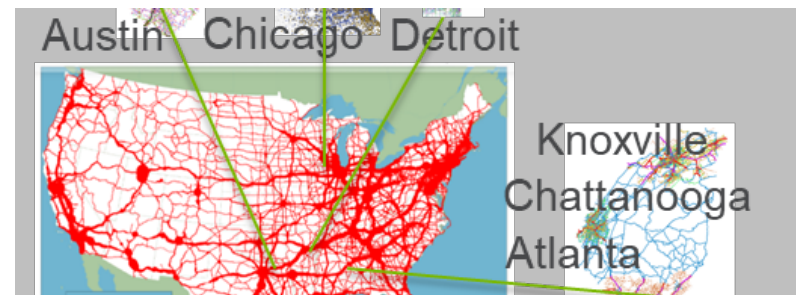
Simulated truck traffic in Chicago region.

Medium & heavy duty truck trips	1.03 million	↑ 26%
Avg. stops per tour	8.13	↑ 26%

Scenario with 35% increase in freight demand.\*



E-commerce effects of more parcel delivery and less household shopping.



CRISTAL is being used for further analysis in DOE SMART 2.0 and SuperTruck 3 studies.

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  - Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Freight Advisory Committee (2020)
  - Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting Workshop on First/Last-Mile (2020)
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# IMPACTS OF FREIGHT FLEET ELECTRIFICATION IN THE ATLANTA – CHATTANOOGA REGION



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# INTRODUCTION

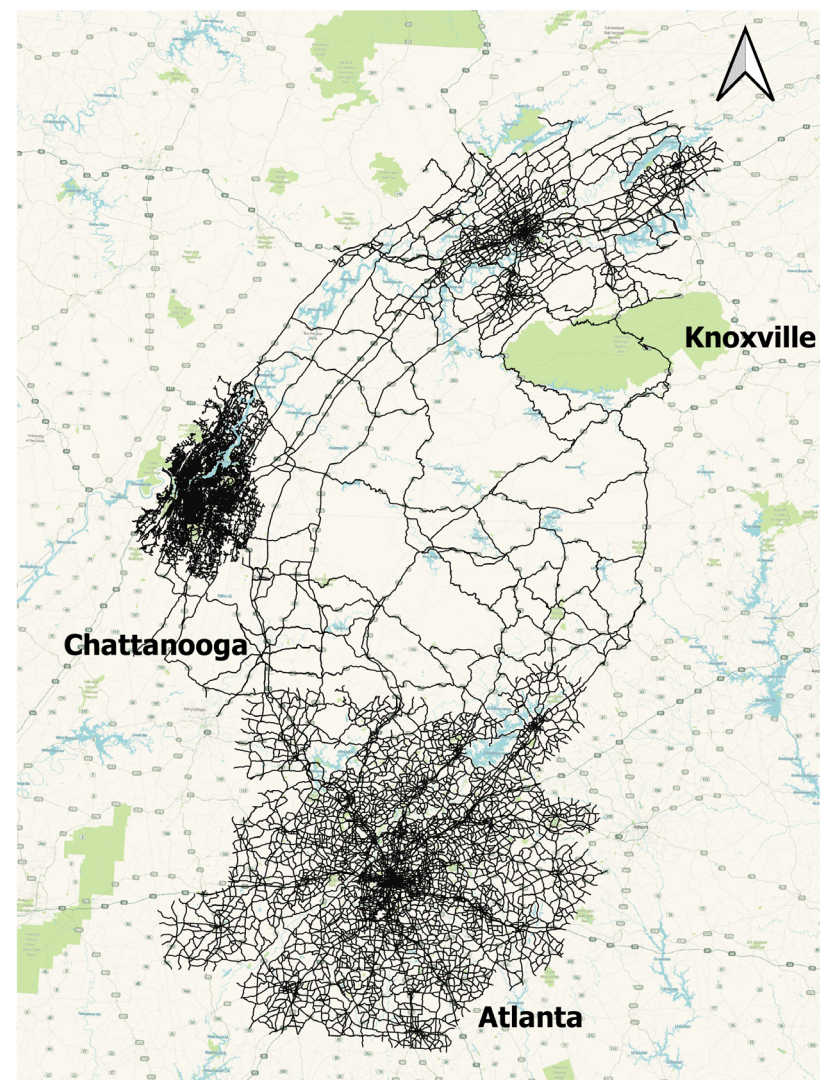
- The transportation sector is one of the **largest contributors** to US greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.
- A significant part of these emissions come from **freight-related trips**.
  - In 2019, MD and HD vehicles accounted for **24% of the transportation sector** GHG emissions (EIA, 2022) and were responsible for **7% of the total GHG** emissions in the nation (EPA, 2021), despite accounting for only **9% of the total VMT**.
- With truck freight transportation operations expecting an approximate **growth of 30%** between 2019 and 2040 and **50%** between 2019 and 2050 (FHWA, 2022), measures should be taken to **reduce the environmental impact of MD and HD vehicles** in the sector.



# STUDY REGION

## Atlanta-Chattanooga-Knoxville:

- 6.7 million residents
- 7,820 traffic analysis zones (TAZs)
- Network:
  - ~85,700 links (71,425 nodes)





# SCENARIO DEFINITION

- ST (short term)–2025 to 2035
  - MT–2035 to 2045
  - LT–2045 to 2050
- ❑ **Low technology:** evolution of technology assuming limited investment in R&D or BAU.
- ❑ **High technology:** significant investment has led to major technology improvements, meeting the USDOE Vehicle Technology Office targets.

Vehicle Technology Assumptions

Scenarios	Baseline			Short-term						Medium-term						Long-term					
				Low			High			Low			High			Low			High		
Vehicles	LD	MD	HD	LD	MD	HD	LD	MD	HD	LD	MD	HD	LD	MD	HD	LD	MD	HD	LD	MD	HD
<i>Powertrain Distribution</i>																					
ICE	98%	100%	100%	82%	89%	100%	58%	72%	87%	62%	68%	100%	33%	45%	76%	40%	39%	97%	2%	26%	52%
ISG	2%	0%	0%	10%	7%	0%	18%	18%	12%	20%	18%	0%	14%	28%	15%	30%	23%	3%	8%	27%	25%
HEV	0%	0%	0%	4%	4%	0%	13%	7%	0%	10%	7%	0%	18%	15%	0%	8%	24%	0%	21%	22%	0%
PHEV	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	13%	0%	0%
BEV	0%	0%	0%	4%	1%	0%	11%	4%	1%	9%	7%	0%	29%	12%	6%	23%	15%	0%	57%	26%	7%
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<i>Automation Distribution</i>																					
L0	100%	100%	100%	95%	94%	100%	80%	88%	93%	85%	85%	100%	50%	65%	69%	57%	69%	98%	10%	43%	34%
L3	0%	0%	0%	5%	6%	0%	20%	13%	7%	15%	15%	0%	45%	30%	29%	41%	31%	2%	72%	50%	57%
L5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	6%	2%	2%	0%	0%	18%	8%	9%
<i>Vintage Distribution</i>																					
0-5 years	31%	31%	30%	32%	33%	30%	32%	33%	30%	32%	33%	30%	32%	33%	31%	33%	33%	30%	31%	31%	33%
6-10 years	34%	33%	30%	34%	32%	30%	33%	33%	30%	33%	34%	30%	33%	33%	31%	33%	32%	30%	34%	34%	33%
10+ years	34%	37%	40%	34%	35%	40%	35%	35%	40%	35%	34%	40%	35%	35%	38%	34%	35%	40%	34%	35%	34%

Vehicles: LD = light duty, MD = medium duty, HD = heavy duty.

Automation: L0 = level 0 (no automation), L3 = level 3 (conditional automation), L5 = level 5 (full automation).

Powertrains: ICE = internal combustion engine, ISG = integrated starter generator, HEV = power-split hybrid electric vehicles,

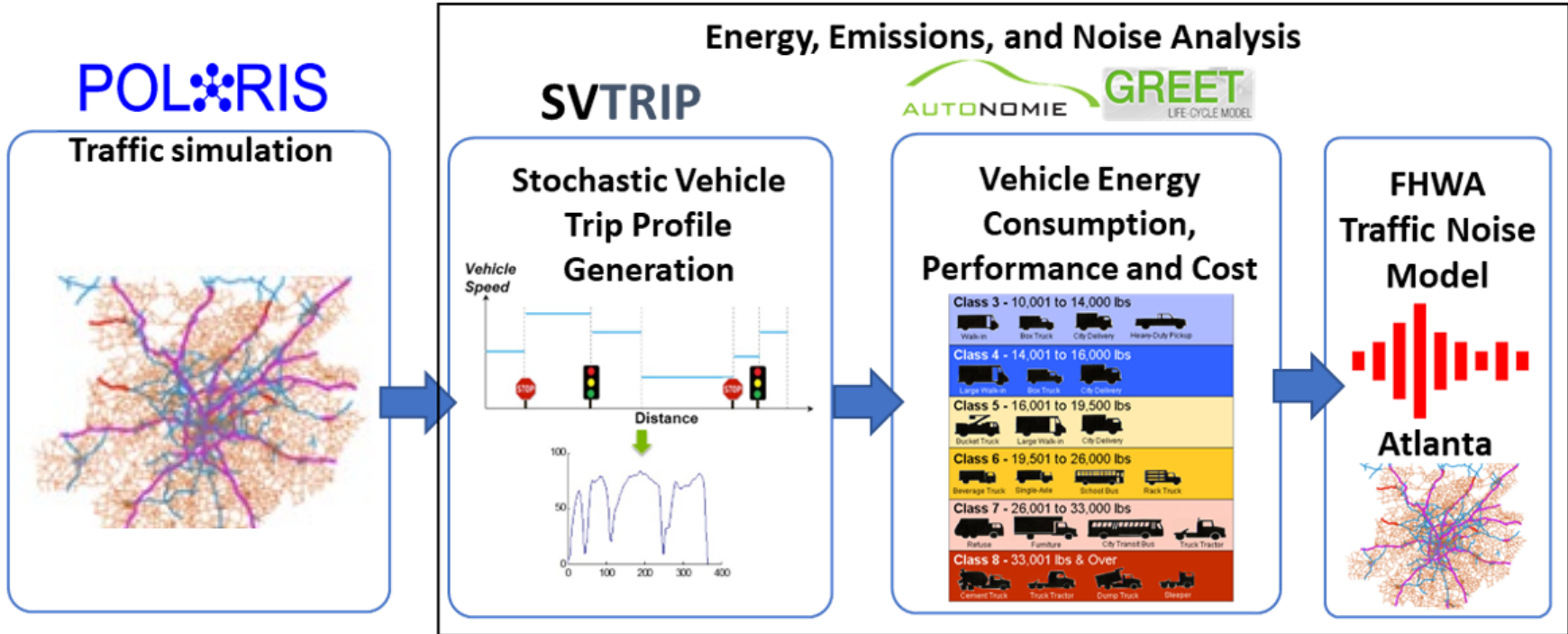
PHEV = plug-in hybrids electric vehicles, BEV = battery electric vehicles, FCV = fuel cell vehicles.

# APPROACH



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# TOOLS

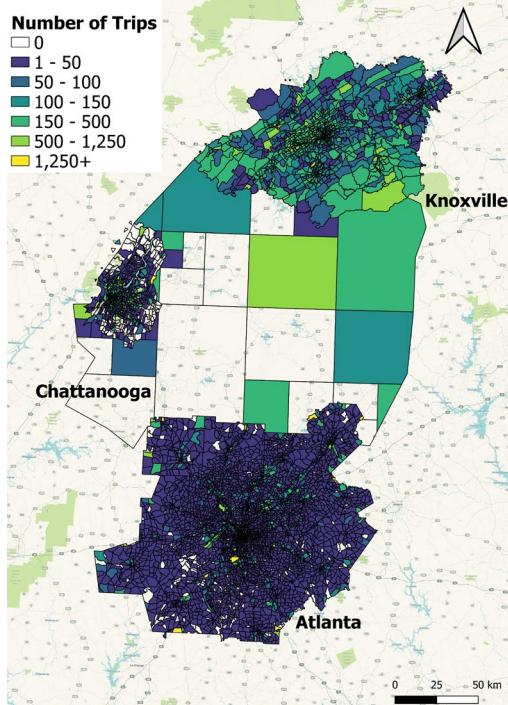


\*The dynamic traffic simulation also includes all light-duty trips.

More information: <https://vms.es.anl.gov/tools>

# FREIGHT DEMAND

## HD VEHICLES



Source: Trips from the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) Activity-Based Model

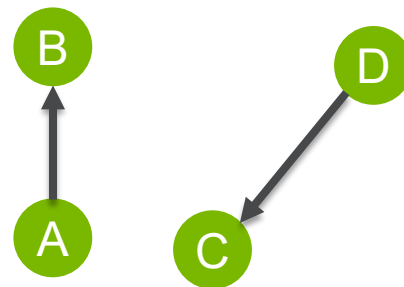
### Daily trips

- MD: 520,000
- HD: 418,000

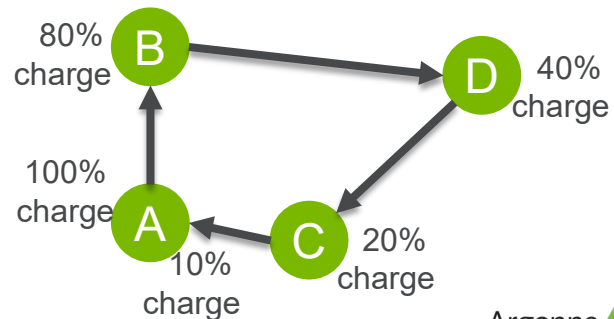
### Assumptions

- All HD are freight
- 60% of MD are freight

## Example “trips”

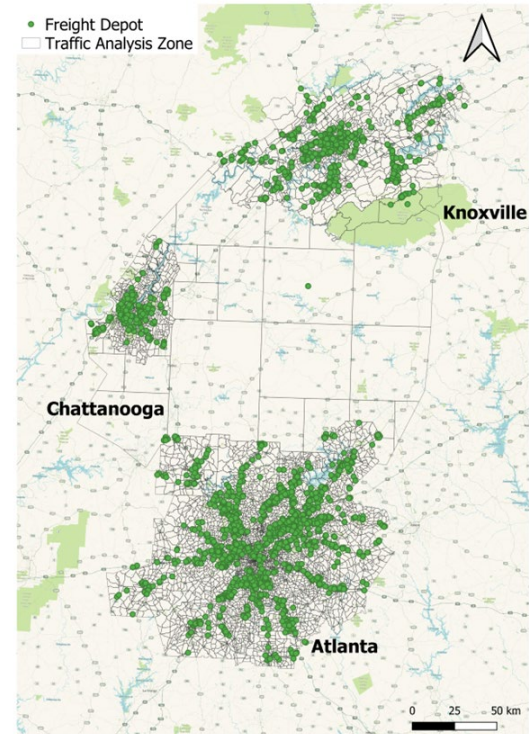


**Problem:**  
To estimation drain on battery,  
we need TOURS:



# ASSUMPTIONS

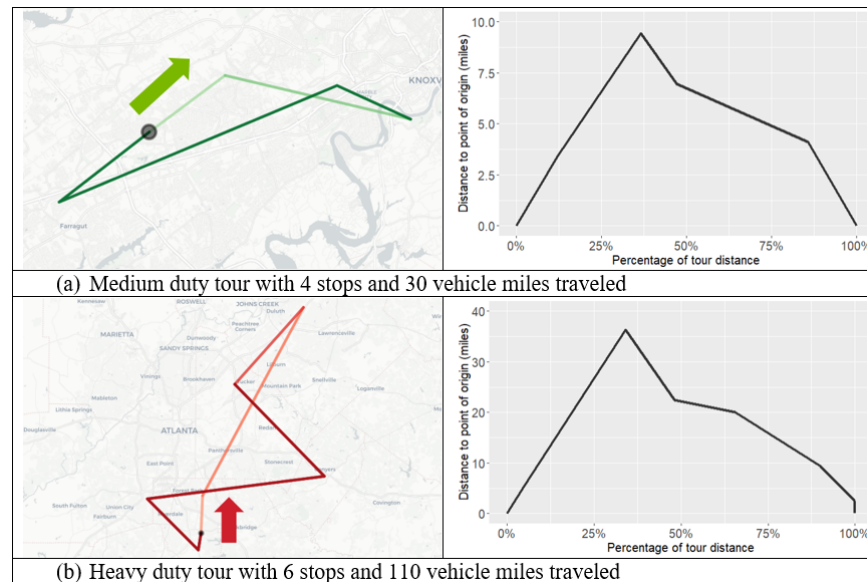
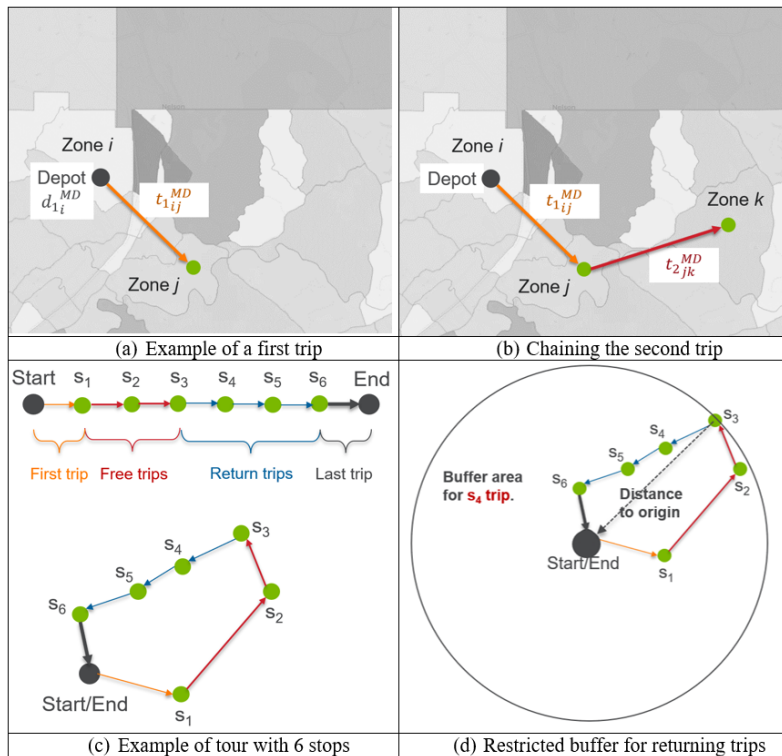
- **Depots** are estimated using the approximate number of businesses in the region and were distributed across zones with more than 1% of industrial use.
- **Fleet by depot:** 32% of the trucks are in fleets of 15 or less, and 68% of trucks are in fleets of 15 or more (BTS).
- **Tour length:** Avg. daily VMT by MD (HD) trucks is ~48 miles (~96 miles) for operations within 200 miles (Source: 2002 VIUS)
- **Number of stops:** obtained stochastically based on a combination of daily VMT and approximate trip length.



Location of freight depots



# OUR NEW TOUR ALGORITHM GENERATES REALISTIC LOCAL TOURS FOR TRUCK ELECTRIFICATION ANALYSIS



Example freight tours

Nice validation feature:  
The trip “legs” match ARC’s input trip data!

# SCENARIO ANALYSIS: ELECTRIFICATION IMPACTS



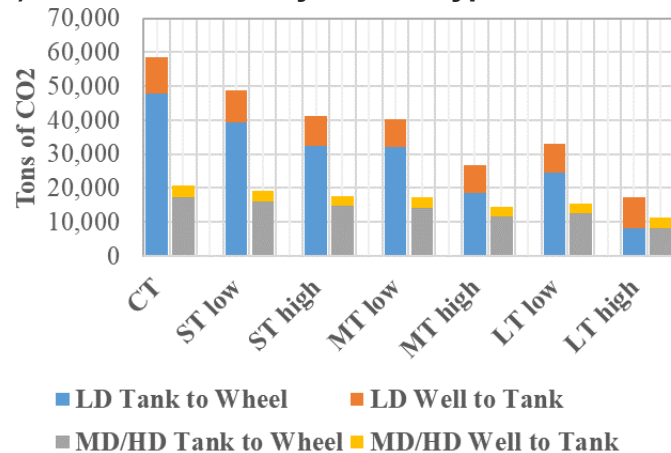
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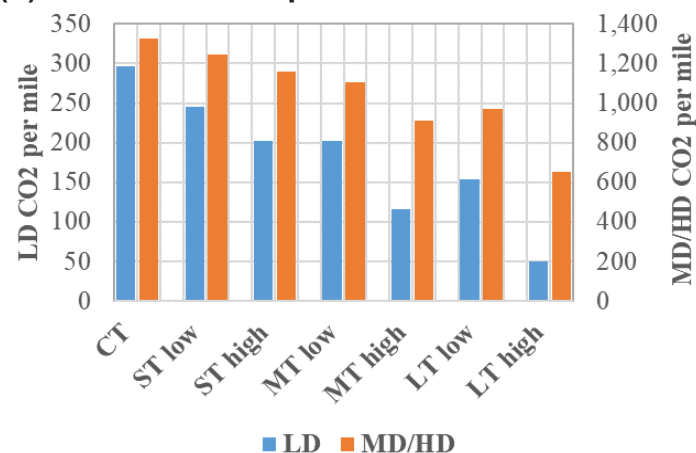
# EMISSIONS ANALYSIS

- CO2 emissions decrease:
  - As fleets electrify over time (CT -> ST -> MD -> LT) and
  - As vehicle technology improves (example: differences between “low” and “high” technology scenarios in the long term)
- Emission reductions are due mainly to driving (tank-to-wheel), esp. by BEV
  - Emissions from gas/diesel production (well-to-tank) ~steady
- Greatest reductions by LD fleet, but truck fleet reductions are significant as well
- Long-term High-Technology scenario (relative to base case):
  - LD emissions decrease by a factor of 6
  - MD/HD emissions decrease by factor of 2

(a) CO2 emissions by vehicle type



(b) CO2 emissions per mile

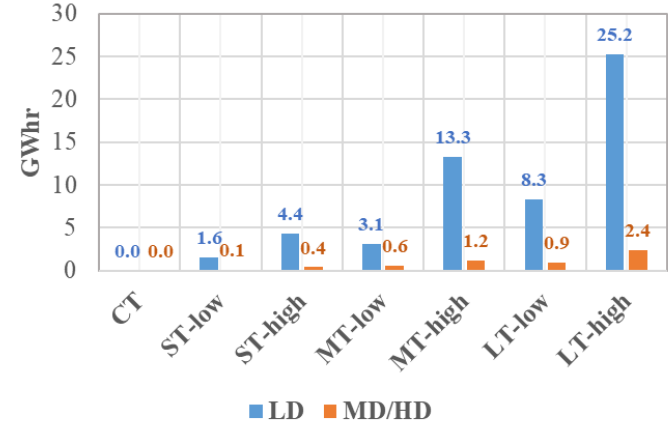




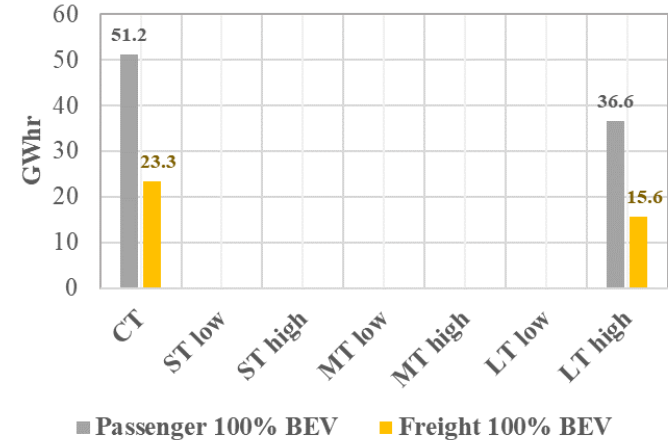
# ELECTRICITY DEMAND

- LD demand > MD/HD demand
  - LD fleet is larger
  - LD electrification adoption assumed to be higher
- LT-high scenario
  - 25.2 GWhr required for LD
  - 2.4 GWhr (~10%) for trucks
  - MT-High demand is about 50% of LT-High
- Vehicle technology is an important factor in effective decarbonization efforts
  - (b) shows 30% less electricity demand in LT-High vs. baseline @ 100% BEV adoption

(a) Demand across scenarios

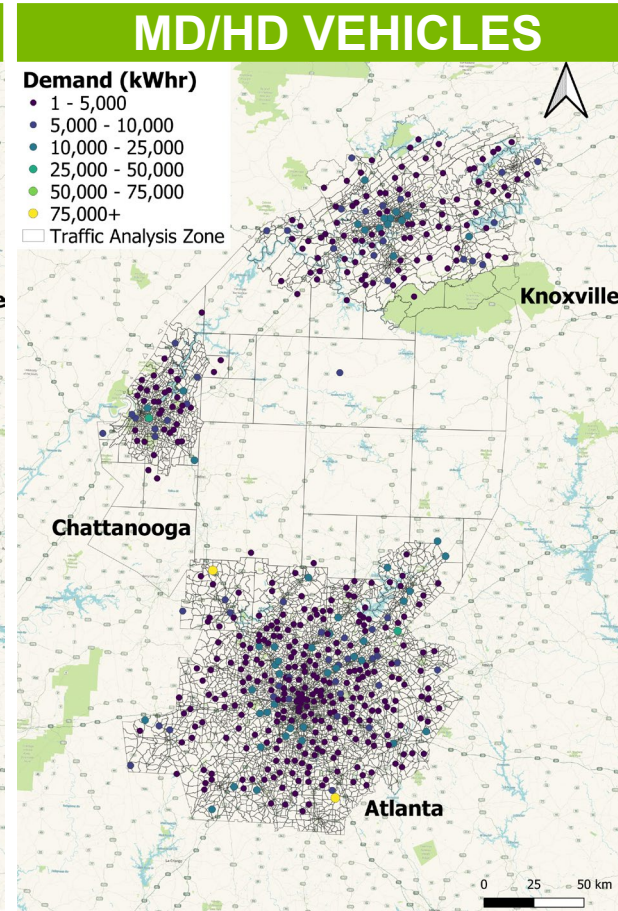
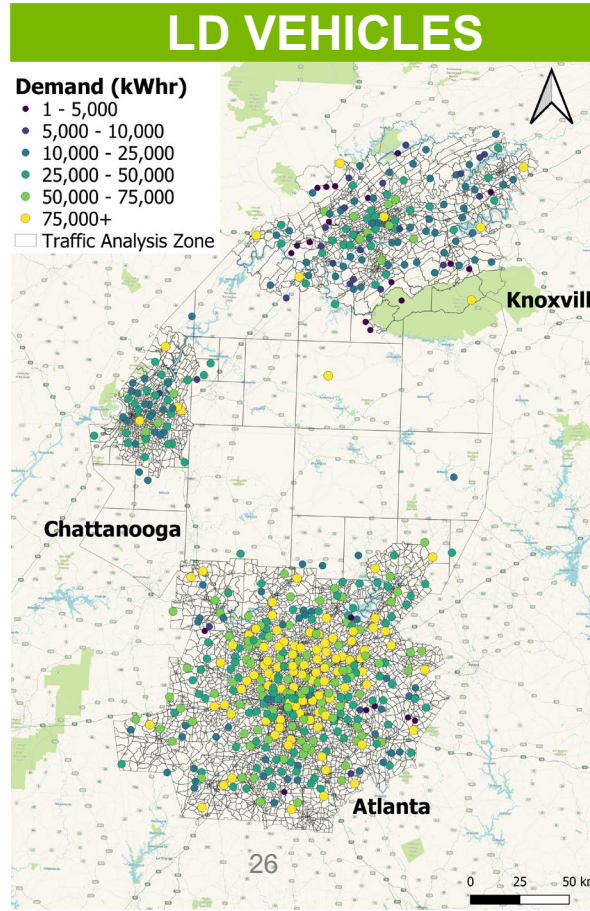


(b) Demand for extreme cases



# ELECTRIC GRID IMPACT

- Assumptions
  - LD vehicles charge at trip origin
  - Trucks charge at depot
- High grid impacts for LDs where trip intensity is high
  - Grid demand increases by ~50% at many locations
- MD/HD grid impacts esp. in industrial corridors
- Ongoing work regarding power plant requirements



# SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS



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# SUMMARY

- LD vehicles have much more electricity demand
  - Larger LD fleets (compared to MD/HD) & assumed higher adoption rates
  - Trucks consume ~10% vehicle electricity demand
- Vehicle technology improvements are critical for reducing electricity demand
  - Electricity demand is ~30% less in the “high technology” scenario
- Grid improvements are required
  - Demand at many nodes will grow by 45+% relative to base year
- Truck fleet electrification alone would not significantly affect the grid, but when combined with passenger vehicle electrification, would cause issues
- Grid improvements are required on a long-term basis

# CONCLUSIONS\*

- Public agencies and other stakeholders face ongoing questions about freight transportation
  - Impacts on the economy, sustainability, equity...
  - Changes in freight as supply chains reorganize
  - Effects of major system factors (COVID, Panama Canal, ...)
- Many public agencies are facing questions about the impacts of new powertrains (electric, hydrogen fuel cell):
  - How will new powertrains affect emissions, energy consumption, equity...?
  - Where should charging stations be located?
  - What are the impacts on the grid?
  - Is there a role for public-private partnerships?
- Awareness of current and emerging stakeholder questions will help agencies provide better data and tools to users

\*personal opinion of M. Stinson



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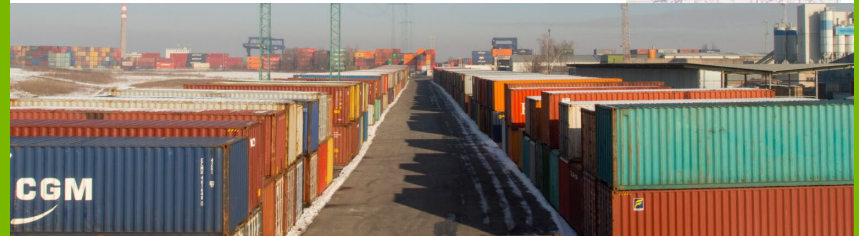
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