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# Introduction to Transportation Behavioral Modelling

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# Why are we interested in Travel Demand Modelling?

Forecast - Transportation Demand



Changes in the Attributes

Transportation system

People



User  
Vehicle/ Carrier  
Roadway/ Facility  
Environment



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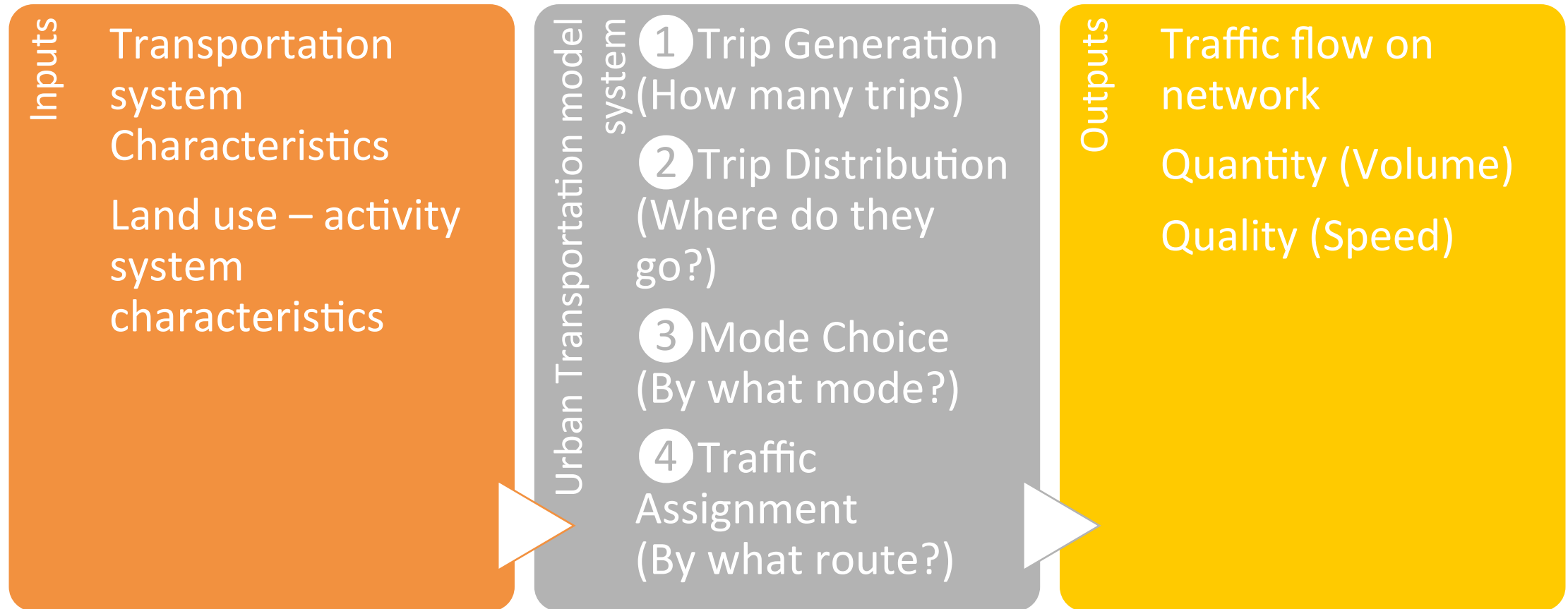
- Introduction to four step model
- Choice Models
- Activity Based Modelling Approach

# Introduction

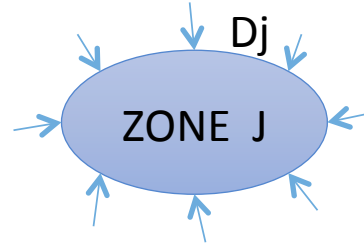
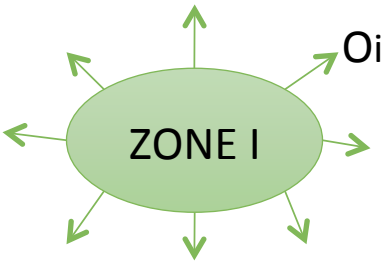
- Demand for Travel is a derived Demand
- Components of Transportation System
  1. User
  2. Vehicle/ Carrier
  3. Roadway/ Facility
  4. Environment
- Transportation systems problems
  1. Congestion
  2. Pollution
  3. Safety
  4. Parking

# Four step model

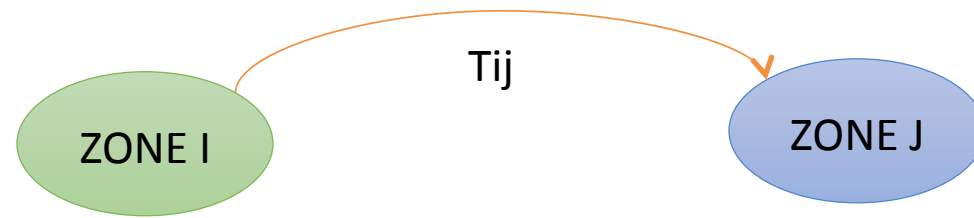
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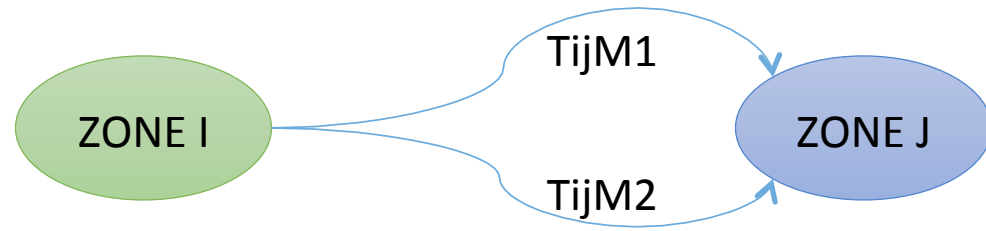
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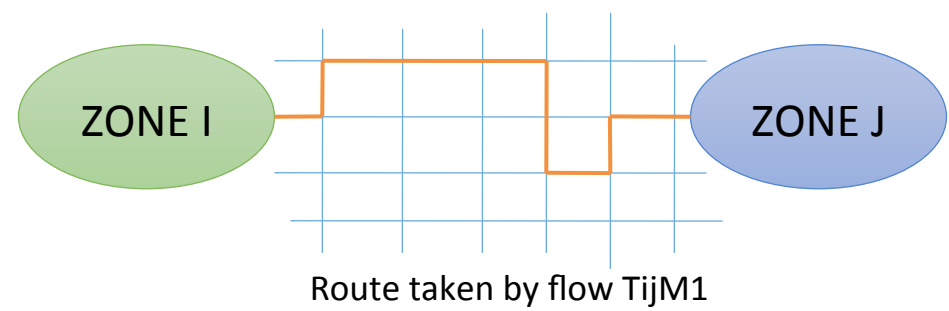
**1**  
**Trip generation**



**2**  
**Trip distribution**



**3**  
**Modal split**



**4**  
**Assignment**

# Example

- ZONE 1  
Pi: 47;  
Aj: 45
- ZONE 2  
Pi: 66;  
Aj: 90
- ZONE 3  
Pi: 110;  
Aj: 88

**P<sub>i</sub>**

Production	
1	47
2	66
3	110

**A<sub>j</sub>**

Attraction	
1	45
2	90
3	88

From zones	To Zones			
	1	2	3	
1	10	18	19	47
2	30	32	4	66
3	5	40	65	110
	45	90	88	223

**Tijmrsp**

Edud.	2
Work	6
Other	1
	9

**Tijmrs (Income)**

High	3
Medium	5
Low	9
	17

**Tijm**

Mode I	25
Mode II	15
	40

**Tijmr**

Route A	5
Route B	17
Route C	3

**Tijmrp**

Trip Purpose	
Education	3
Work	12
Other	2
	17



# 1 Trip Generation

- Aims at predicting the total number of trips generated by ( $O_i$ ) and attracted to ( $D_j$ ) each zone of the study area
- **Trip or Journey:** This is a one-way movement from a point of origin to a point of destination
- **Home-based (HB) Trip** This is one where the home of the trip maker is either the origin or the destination of the journey
- **Non-home-based (NHB) Trip** This, conversely, is one where neither end of the trip is the home of the traveler

# Classification of Trips

- travel to work
- travel to school or college (education trips)
- shopping trips
- social and recreational journeys
- escort trips (to accompany or collect somebody else)
- other journeys

## ② Trip Distribution

- The purpose of the trip distribution is to estimate 'zone to zone' movements, i.e., trip interchanges

### **Gravity Model**

- Probability that a trip of a particular purpose  $k$  produced at zone  $i$  will be attracted to zone  $j$ , is proportional to the attractiveness or 'pull' of zone  $j$ , which depends on two factors.
- One factor is the magnitude of activities related to the trip purpose  $k$  in zone  $j$ , and the other is the spatial separation of the zones  $i$  and  $j$ .

## ② Trip Distribution: Gravity Model

- The gravity model assumes that the trips produced at an origin and attracted to a destination are directly proportional to the total trip productions at the origin and the total attractions at the destination.
- The calibrating term or "friction factor" (F) represents the reluctance or impedance of persons to make trips of various duration or distances.
- The general friction factor indicates that as travel times increase, travelers are increasingly less likely to make trips of such lengths.

Standard form of gravity model

$$T_{ij} = \frac{A_j F_{ij} K_{ij}}{\sum_{\text{all zones } i} A_i F_{ij} K_{ij}} \times P_i$$

Where:

$T_{ij}$  = trips produced at I and attracted at j

$P_i$  = total trip production at I

$A_j$  = total trip attraction at j

$F_{ij}$  = a calibration term for interchange ij, (friction factor) or travel time factor (  $F_{ij} = C/t_{ij}^n$  )

C = calibration factor for the friction factor

$K_{ij}$  = a socioeconomic adjustment factor for interchange ij

i = origin zone

n = number of zones

# 3 Mode Choice

- Relates the probability of transit usage to explanatory variables in mathematical form
- **Factors Affecting Mode Choice**

Factors that may explain a trip maker's choosing a specific mode of transportation for a trip are grouped commonly as follows:

- **Trip Makers Characteristics:**
  - Income
  - Car-Ownership
  - Car Availability
  - Age
- **Trip Characteristics:**
  - Trip Purpose - work, shop, recreation, etc.
  - Destination Orientation - CBD vs. non-CBD
  - Trip Length
- **Transportation Systems Characteristics**
  - Waiting time
  - Speed
  - Cost
  - Comfort and Convenience
  - Access to terminal or transfer location

# 3 Mode Choice



Bus - 40 minutes



I chose  
CAR



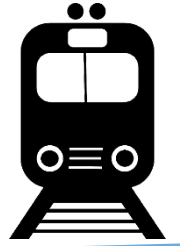
Car - 35 minutes

Actual Behavior – Reveled Preference (RP) Data

# 3 Mode Choice



Bus - 40 minutes



A new service introduced  
Metro - 15 minutes



Car - 35 minutes



If new service is introduced, I will chose Metro

Hypothetical Behavior – Stated Preference (SP) Data

### ③ Mode Choice

- $P_{\downarrow Metro} = \exp(v_{\downarrow Metro}) / (\exp(v_{\downarrow Metro}) + \exp(v_{\downarrow EM}))$

$$V_{Metro} = \alpha WT_{Metro} + \beta TT_{Metro} + \gamma TC_{Metro} + \phi DC_{Metro} + CONST$$

$$V_{EM} = \alpha WT_{EM} + \beta TT_{EM} + \gamma TC_{EM} + \phi DC_{EM}$$

$Pr (Metro/EM)$  = probability of shifting to Metro

$V_{Metro}$  = deterministic component of utility of Metro mode

$V_{EM}$  = Utility of Existing Mode

$WT$  = waiting time

$TT$  = travel time

$TC$  = travel cost

$DC$  = discomfort

$\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \phi$  = parameters to be estimated using SP data

$CONST$  = constant that explains the unobserved effects



# ④ Traffic Assignment

- Allocates the trips between each zone pair to the links comprising the most likely travel routes.
- The trips on each link are accumulated and the total trips on each link are reported at the end of the assignment process
  - All or Nothing Assignment
  - User Equilibrium

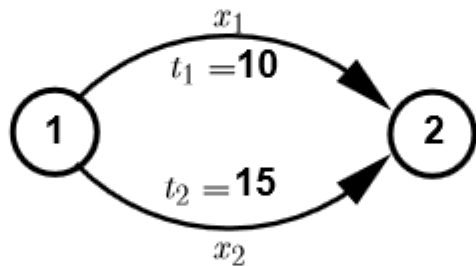
# 4 Traffic Assignment

All or nothing

- Trips from any origin to any destination is loaded into a single, minimum cost path between them

Limitations:

- Unrealistic as only one path is utilized
- No consideration for capacity or congestion – travel time is a fixed input



Two Link Problem with constant travel time function

and total flows from 1 to 2 is given by.  $q_{12} = 12$

Since the shortest path is Link 1 all flows are assigned to it making  $x_1 = 12$  and  $x_2 = 0$ .

User Equilibrium (UE)

- The user equilibrium assignment is based on Wardrop's first principle, which states that no driver can unilaterally reduce his/her travel costs by shifting to another route.
- UE conditions can be written for a given O-D pair as

$$f_k(c_k - u) = 0 : \forall k$$

$$c_k - u \geq 0 : \forall k$$

where  $f_k$  is the flow on path  $k$ ,  $c_k$  is the travel cost on path  $k$ , and  $u$  is the minimum cost.

Equation labelqueue2 can have two states.

1. If  $c_k - u = 0$ , from equation 10.1  $f_k \geq 0$ . This means that all used paths will have same travel time.
2. If  $c_k - u > 0$ , then from equation 10.1  $f_k = 0$ .

This means that all unused paths will have travel time greater than the minimum cost path. where  $f_k$  is the flow on path  $k$ ,  $c_k$  is the travel cost on path  $k$ , and  $u$  is the minimum cost.

# Choice models

# Choice Models

- Choice modelling is based primarily on the utility theory.
- Characteristics of the alternatives defines its attractiveness for a particular user
- Utility is a subjective concept but it can be useful for comparison between given alternatives.

# Utility Theory

- Each alternative has attractiveness or utility associated with it
- Decision maker is assumed to choose that alternative which yields the highest utility
- Utilities are expressed as sum of measured attractiveness and a random term
- Measured attractiveness is a function of the attributes of the alternative as well as the decision maker's characteristics

$$U_{ji} = V_{ji} + \varepsilon_{ji}$$
$$V_{ji} = \beta' Z_{ji} \quad Z_{ji} = (X_{ji}, S_i)$$

Where,

$U_{ji}$  = utility of alternative  $j$  for individual  $i$

$V_{ji}$  = measured attractiveness of alternative  $j$  for individual  $i$

$\varepsilon_{ji}$  = random part

$Z_{ji}$  = column vector of characteristics of the individual  $i$  and attributes of the alternative  $j$

$\beta$  = column vector of parameters

# Utility Theory

- The alternative  $j$  is chosen by  $i$  when

$$U_{ji} > U_{li} \quad \text{for all } l \neq j$$

- The probability  $P_{ji}$  for the  $j^{\text{th}}$  alternative to be chosen is

$$\begin{aligned} P_{ji} &= \Pr[V_{ji} + \varepsilon_{ji} > V_{li} + \varepsilon_{li}] \quad \text{for all } l \neq j \\ &= \Pr[(\varepsilon_{li} - \varepsilon_{ji}) < (V_{ji} - V_{li})] \end{aligned}$$

# Utility Theory

$$V_{Car} = -0.023 * TIME - 0.021 * COST + 0.003 * INCOME - 0.001$$

$$V_{Bus} = -0.023 * TIME - 0.021 * COST - 0.001 * INCOME$$

$$V_{Train} = -0.023 * TIME - 0.021 * COST + 0.003$$

*TIME* and *COST* are generic variables

*INCOME* is alternative specific variable

# Variables ...

- Generic Variable - Variable that appears in the utility functions of all alternatives in a generic sense and has same coefficient estimate for all the alternatives
- Alternative Specific Variable - Variable that appears only in the utility function of those alternatives to which it is specific and has different coefficient estimate for each of the alternatives
- Alternative Specific Constant - Takes care of unexplained effects



# Some Limitations of 4-step TDM

- Traditional travel demand models ignore travel as a demand derived from activity participation decisions
- Does not incorporate the reason for traveling – the activity at the end of the trip
- Trips treated as independent and ignores their spatial, temporal, and social interactions
- Heavy emphasis on commuting trips and Home-based trips
- Limited policy sensitivity (TAZs are hard to use in policy analysis)

# Activity Based Modelling

# Necessity of Activity Based Travel Demand Modelling

- Development of ABM due to poor forecasting results achieved in the trip based aggregate demand models
- Introduce - road pricing
- new technologies - ( Internet and mobile phones)
- For solving urbanization problems, understanding behavioural changes of people in developing countries is necessary

# Activity Based Modelling – Historical

- ABM belongs to the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation of travel demand models
  - Trip based 4-step models
  - Disaggregate trip based models (1980's & 1990's)
  - Activity based models
- In ABM the basic unit of analysis is the activities of individuals/households
- Activity Based Models (ABM) predict travel behavior as a derivative of activities (i.e., derived demand)
- Travel decisions are part of a broader process based on modeling the demand for activities rather than merely modeling trips
- ABM are based on the theories of Hägerstrand (1970) and Chapin (1974)
  - Hägerstrand focused on personal and social constraints
  - Chapin focused on opportunities and choices
- Theory is that activity demand is motivated by basic human desires for: survival, ego gratification, and social encounters

# ABM Approach

- Travel demand is derived from activities that individuals need/wish to perform
- Sequence/patterns of behavior, not individual trips, are the unit of analysis
- Household and other social structures influence travel and activity behavior
- Spatial, temporal, transportation, and interpersonal interdependencies constrain activity/travel behavior
- Activity based approaches aim at predicting which activities are conducted *where, when, for how long, with whom, by mode*, and ideally also the implied *route* decision

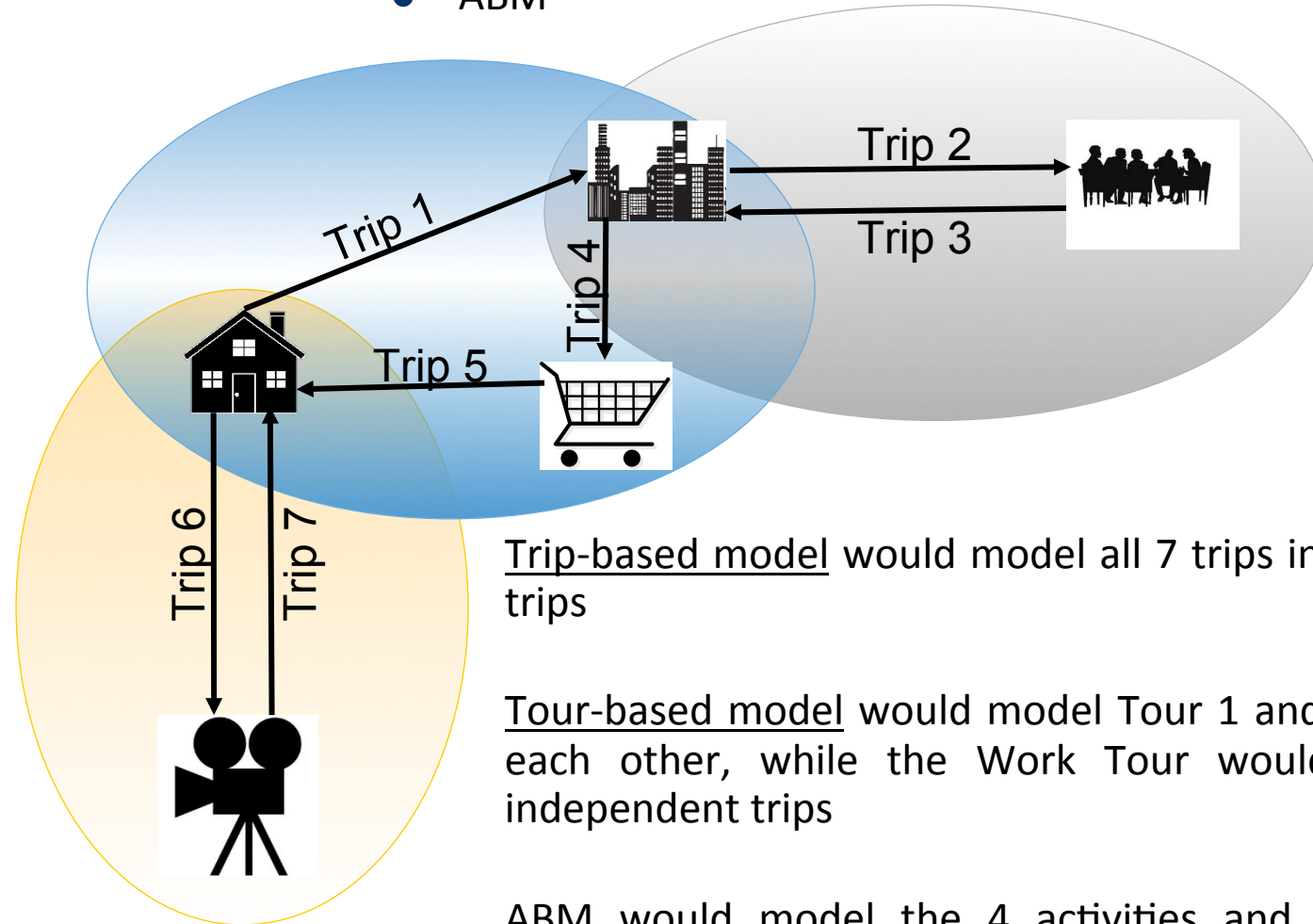
# ABM Paradigms

- ABM rely on the following 5 paradigms:
  - Travel derived demand from activity participation
  - Focus is on the sequence of activities
  - Activities are planned within the context of the household
  - Activities are spread over a 24-hour
  - Travel choices are limited in time, space, and by personal constraints

# Modelling Trips

- Trip-based model
- Tour-based model
- ABM

## Hypothetical Travel Day

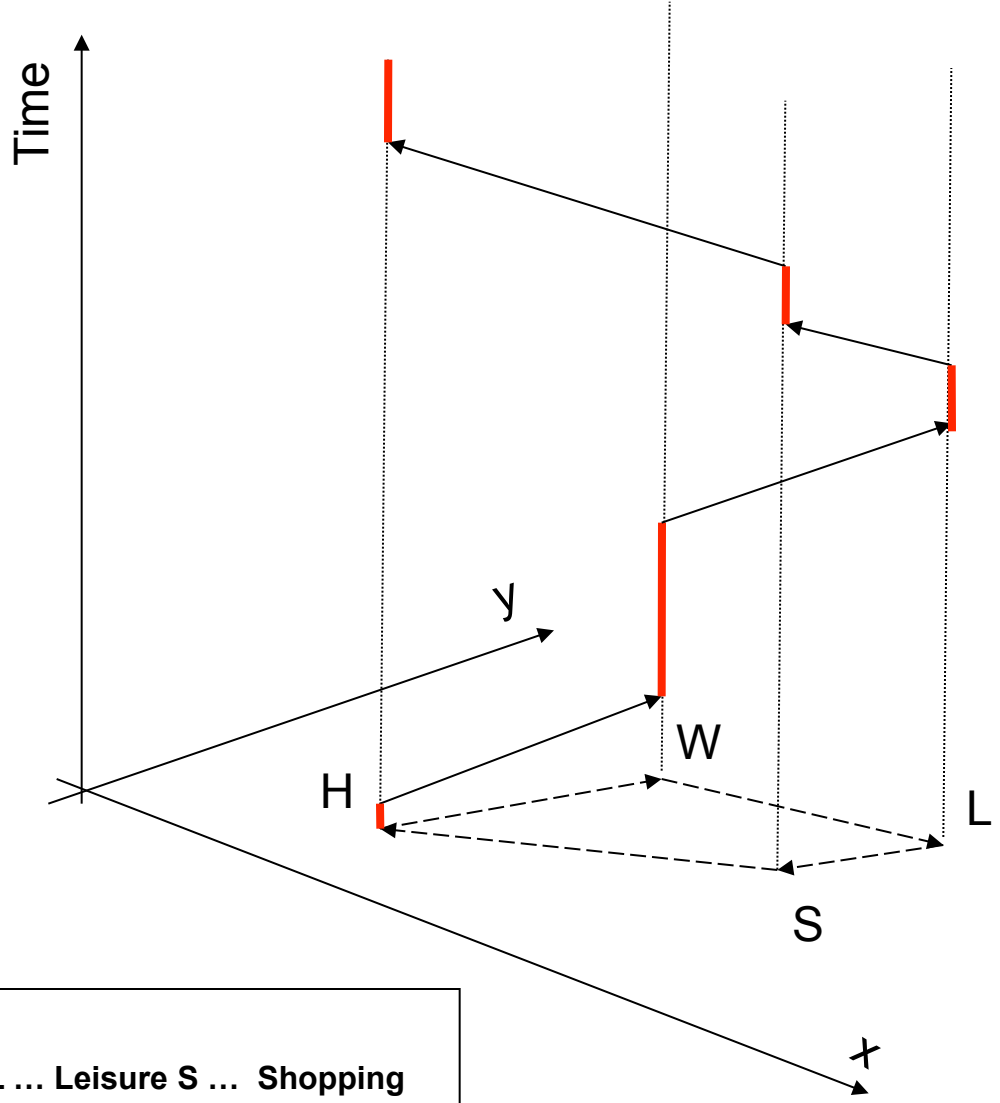


Trip-based model would model all 7 trips independent of the other trips

Tour-based model would model Tour 1 and Tour 2 independent of each other, while the Work Tour would be modeled as two independent trips

ABM would model the 4 activities and associated trips (work, meeting, shopping, and movie) as part of the same decision process

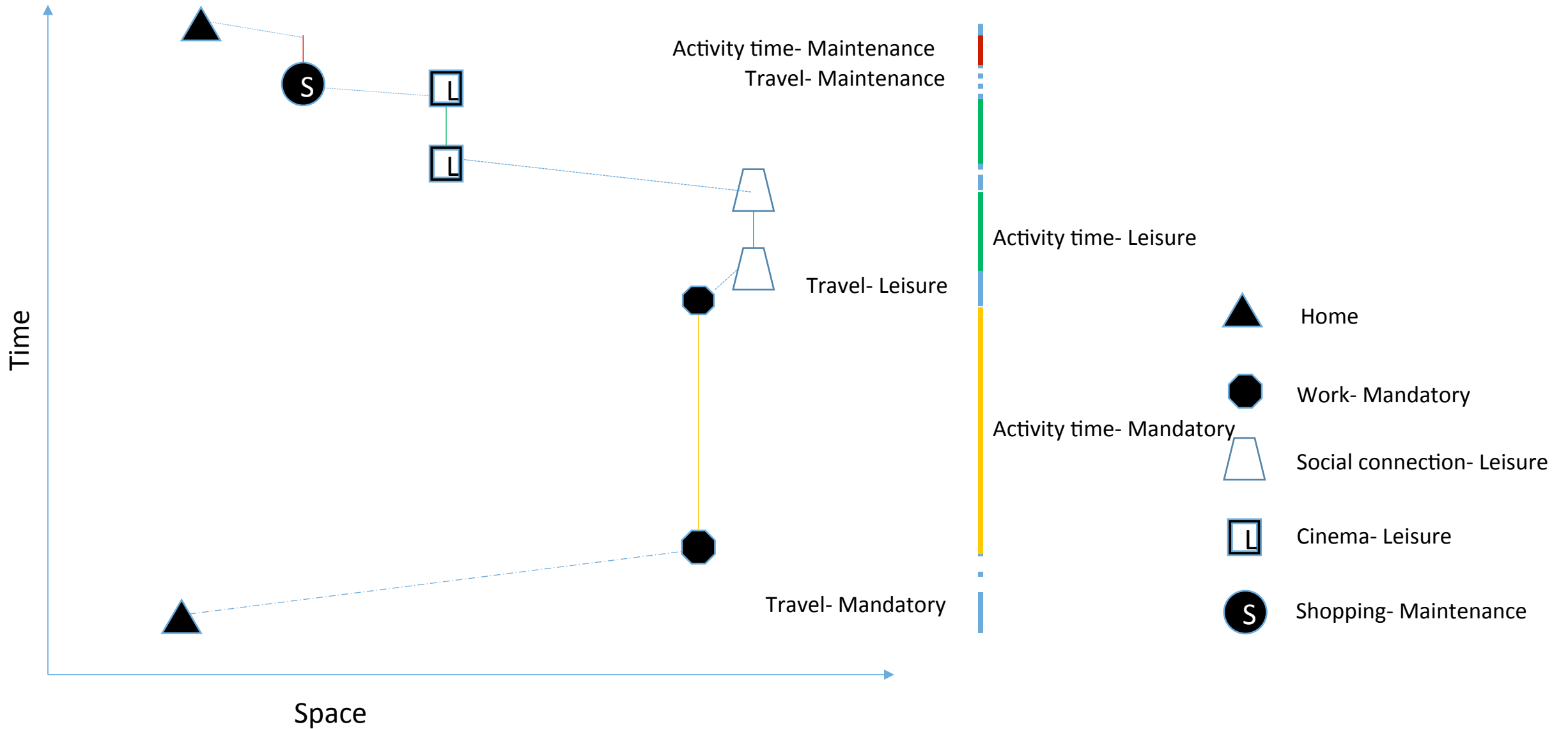
# Activities in Time and Space



**Activities:**  
H ... Home W ... Work L ... Leisure S ... Shopping



# Activities in Time and Space



# Criticism of Trip and Tour Based Models

## **Modelled as independent and isolated trips**

- No-connection between the different trips
- No-time component
- No-sequential information
- No-behavioural foundation
- No-data efficient

## **Modelled as independent and isolated tours**

- No-temporal dimension
- Independent tours, model is not capable of making the integration

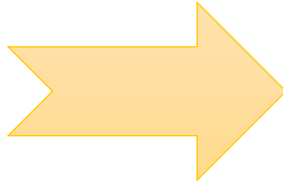
# Advantages of ABM

- Theoretically based on human behavior
- Better understanding and prediction of traveler behavior
- Based on decision-making choices present in the “real-world”
- Use of disaggregate data
- Inclusion of time-of-day travel choices

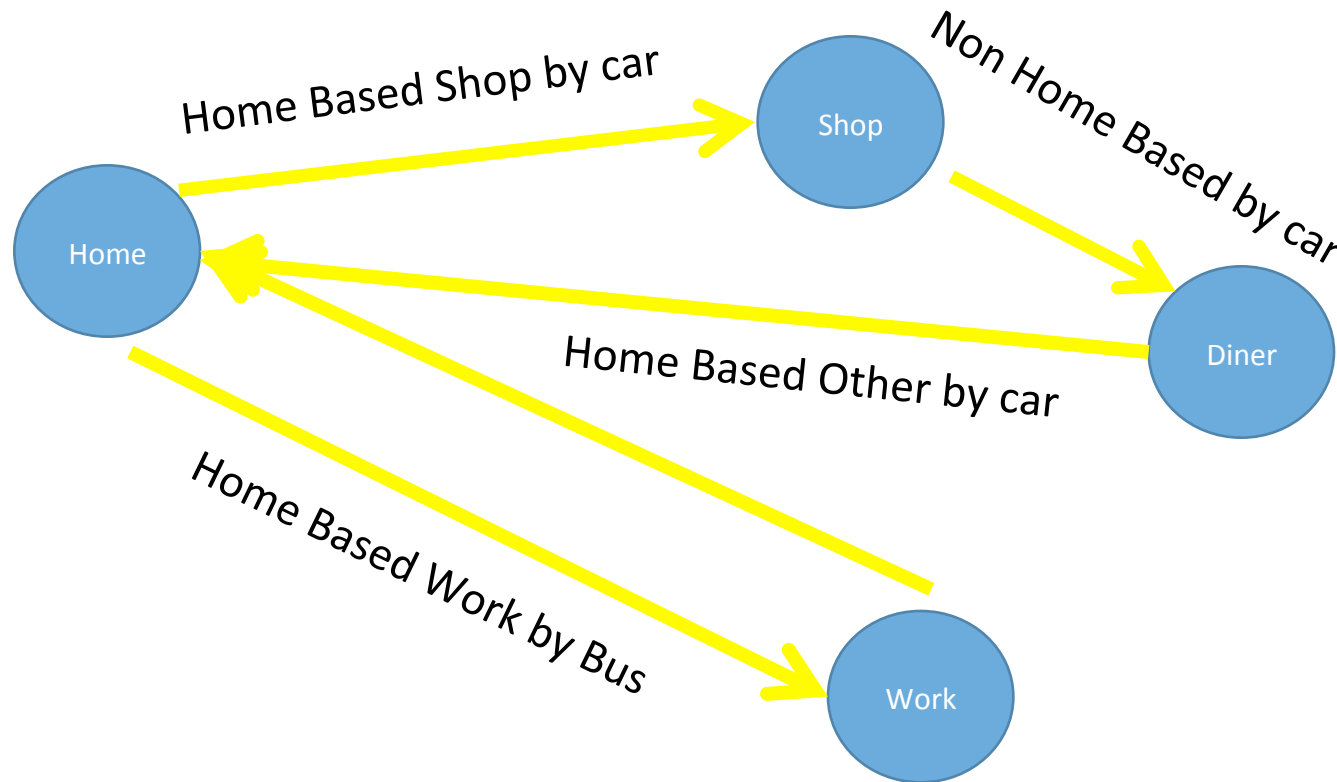
# Activity Patterns (Schedule)

A sequence of activities, or a schedule, defines a path in space and time

## **What defines a person's activity pattern?**

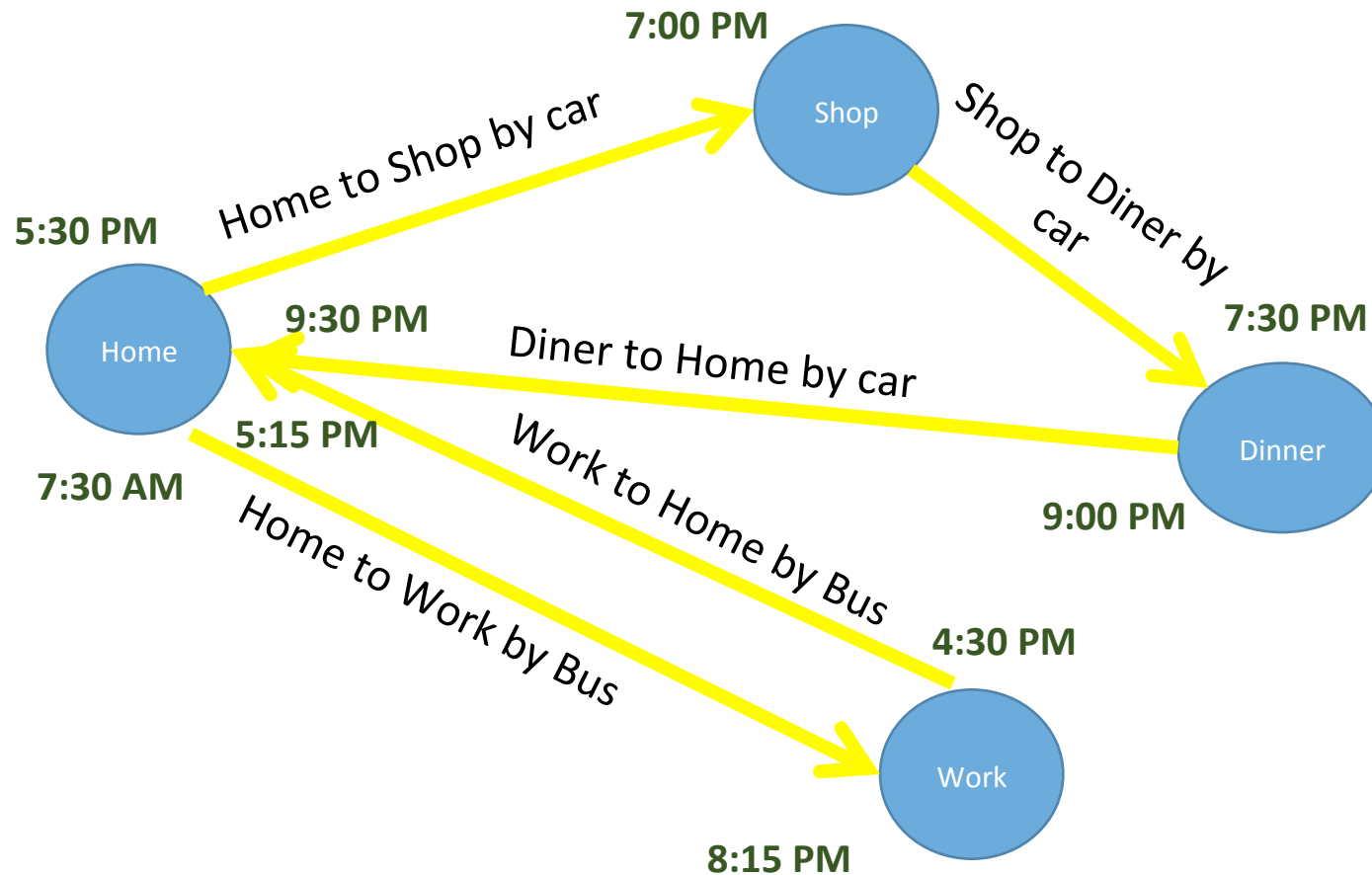
- Total amount of time outside home
  - Number of trips per day and their type
  - Allocation of trips to tours
  - Allocation of tours to particular HH members
  - Departure time from home
  - Arrival time at home in the evening
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- Activity duration
  - Activity location
  - Mode of transportation
  - Travel party

# A Person's Daily Travel Pattern (conventional model)



TRIPS:  
-2 HBW  
-1 HBS  
-1 HBO  
-1 NHB

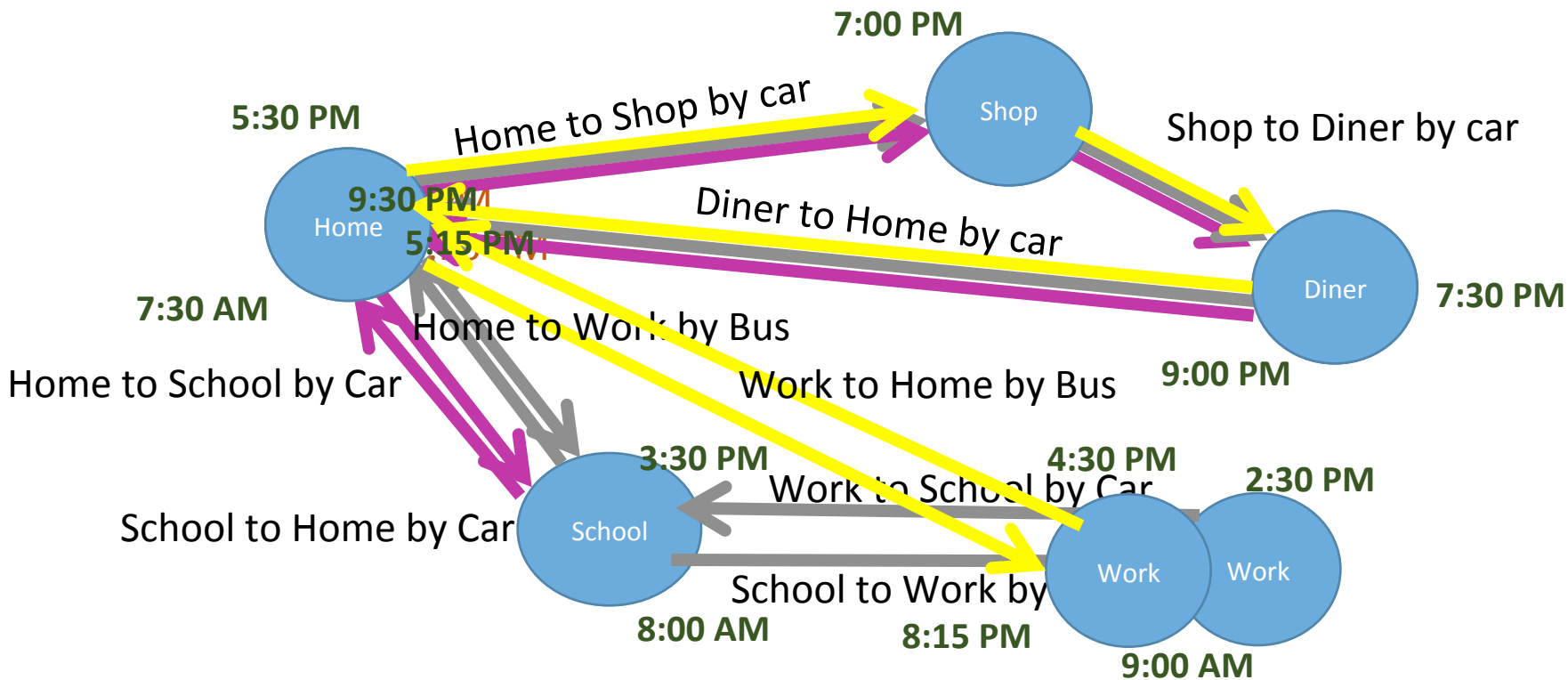
# A Person's Daily Travel Pattern (activity based model)



TRIPS:  
-2 HBW  
-1 HBS  
-1 HBO  
-1 NHB

-2 Home based tours  
(chains)  
-Timing of all trips  
-Duration of activity at  
each location

# All Household Members' Travel Pattern (activity based model)



# Some Key Aspects of Activity Based Models

- Trips are linked for each person in a day
- Timing and durations are included
- Entire daily travel patterns are linked
- Car use is associated to needs (take child to school, drive together to shop & dine and back )



# Survey Instrument

- Household Information
- Person Information
- Activity Information

## **Activity Diary**

### **Activities classified:**

- Work related activities
- Maintenance activities
- Leisure activities

# Modelling approaches

- Econometric modelling
- Rule based modelling
- Markov models
- Microsimulation modelling

# Case Study (PORTLAND MODEL)

- First large-scale operational activity based travel demand model in the world
- Given by John Bowman
- The Portland model belongs to the group of discrete choice models
- Based on a 1994 household survey with some 5000 households
- Two-day activity diaries
- 6475 observed activity patterns
- 1244 zones.

# PORTLAND MODEL cont...

- **The model operates with the following terms:**
  - A primary activity
  - A secondary activity
  - A sub-tour
  - Intermediate stop
- **Data input**
  - 1)Household data, 2)zonal data and 3)network data
- **Model structure**
  - **Day activity schedule model**
    - Day activity pattern model on the higher level,
    - and Tour model on the lower level

# PORTLAND MODEL cont...

- **primary day activities in the Portland model**
  - Subsistence (work/school) at home
  - Maintenance (personal business) at home
  - Discretionary at home
  - Subsistence (work/school) on tour
  - Maintenance (shopping, personal business) on tour
  - Discretionary (social, recreational) on tour
- **There are four types of tour patterns in the model**
  - A simple pattern, i.e. that is without stops between home and the destination
  - One or more intermediate activities on the way from home to the primary destination
  - One or more intermediate activities on the way from the primary destination to home
  - One or more intermediate activities in both directions

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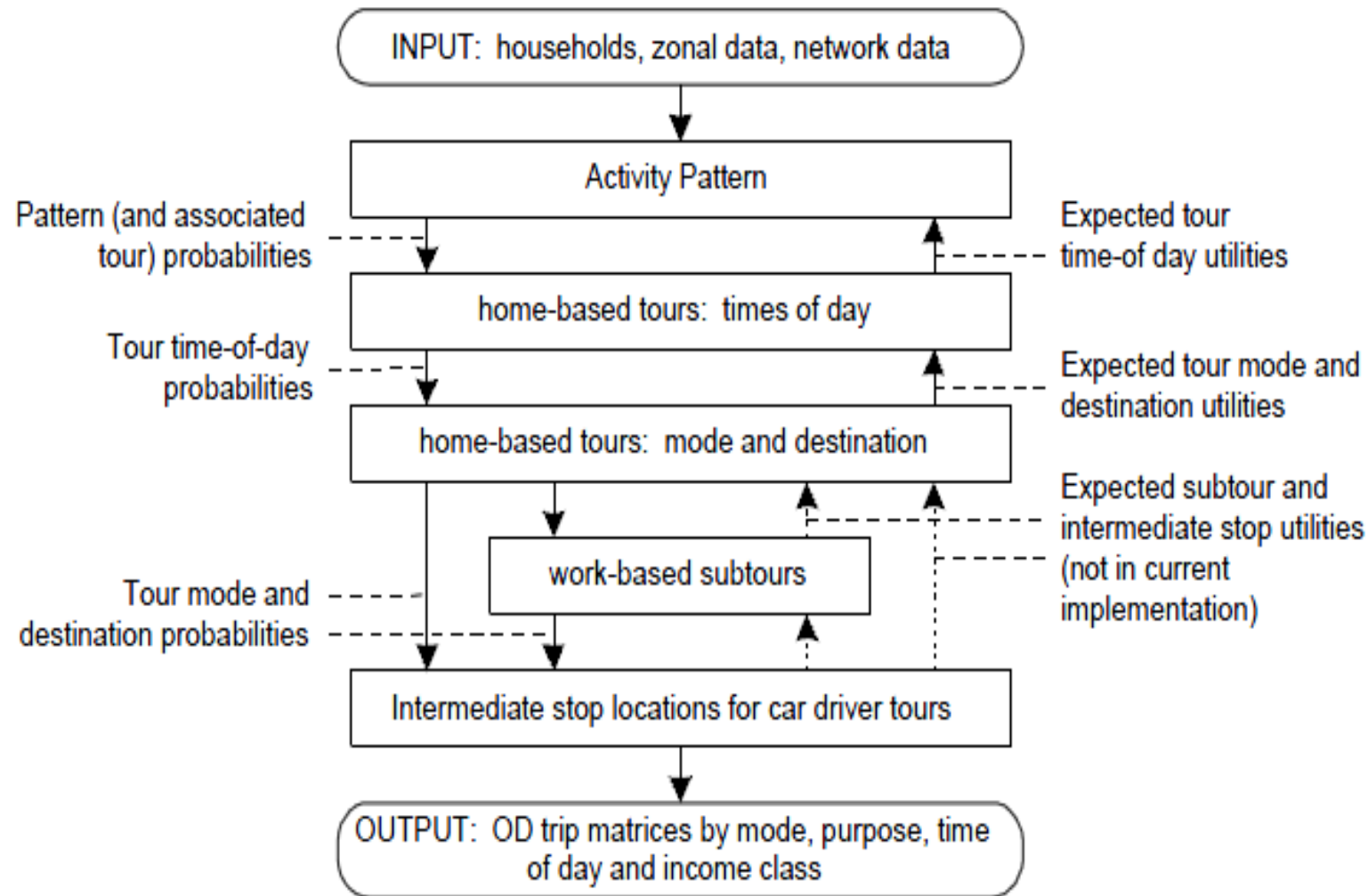
- **The model defines six types of secondary tours based on the number and purpose**
  - No secondary tour.
  - One secondary tour for work or maintenance.
  - Two or more secondary tours for work or maintenance.
  - One secondary tour for work or discretionary.
  - Two or more secondary tours for work or discretionary.
  - Two or more secondary tours when at least one tour is for work or maintenance and at least one tour is for discretionary.

# PORTLAND MODEL cont...

- **Tour model** consists of

- 1) The home-based tour time-of-day model,
- 2) The home-based tour mode and destination model,
- 3) The work-based sub- tour mode and destination model, and
- 4) Intermediate stop location model for car-driver tours.

# Portland Activity Schedule Model System





# CONCLUSION

- Conventional four stage-planning models for travel demand forecasting includes the lack of behavioral foundation, over dependence on trips, and insensitivity to policy changes.
- There is a need to develop the models which will take into account above criteria's to improve the travel demand.
- The new modeling approach i.e. activity based travel demand modeling has good scope in developing countries due to its more focus on behavioral aspect of people.

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