



**APPLICATIONS OF GIS, LINEAR REFERENCING
SYSTEMS, DATABASES AND PROGRAMMING IN
FLOATING CAR STUDIES USING GPS**

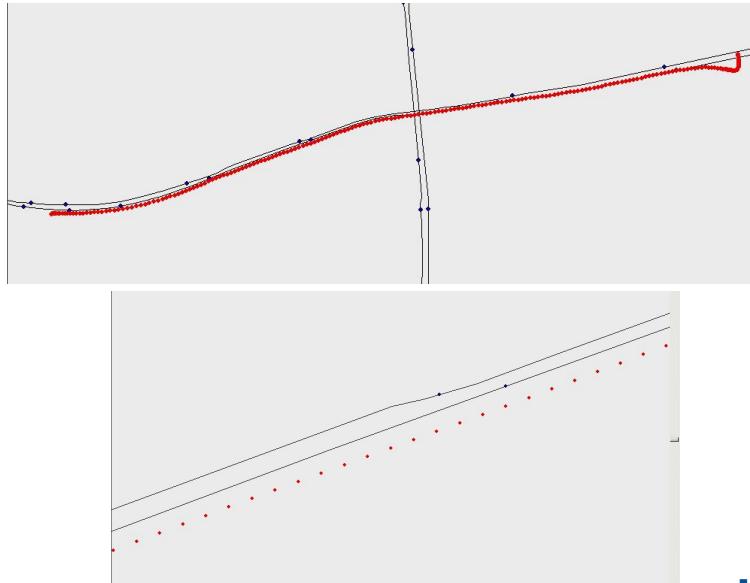
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Floating Car Studies Using GPS

- Vehicles equipped with GPS units and PDAs float with traffic
- Data stored every one second.
- Quantitative Measures of Effectiveness – Travel Time, Delay, Average Speed etc
- Applications in Congestion Management (CMS / CMP)
- Before / After Signal Co-ordination, Model Calibration

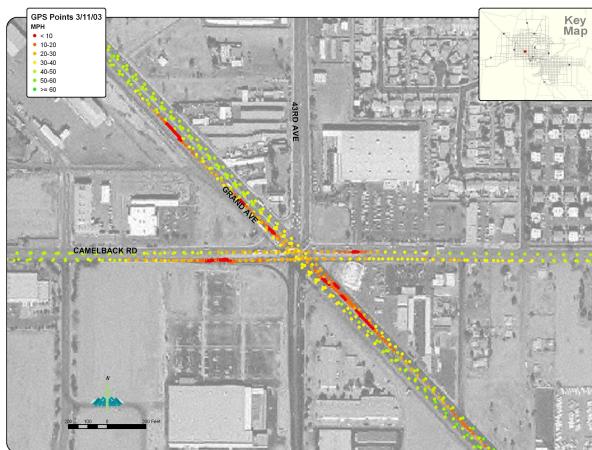
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Advantages

- Only one person needed per car
- Mid-block congestion can be identified
- Stops and approximate queue lengths
- High accuracy estimates of MOEs
- Good Automation potential
- Flexible Segmentation
- No fixed infrastructure needed

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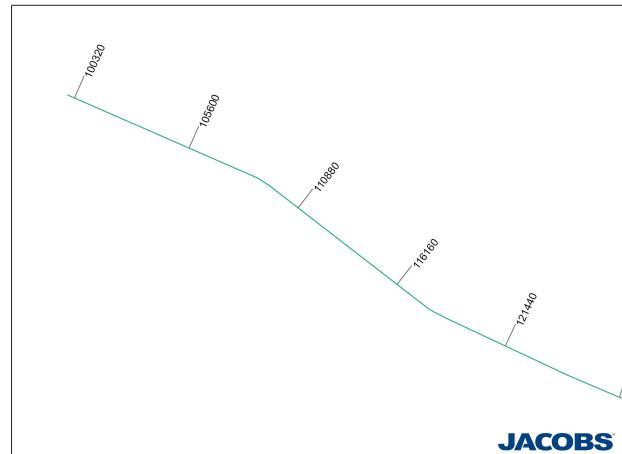
Jacobs Process In a Nutshell

- Collect Roadway attributes by mapping
- Build a Linear Referencing System
- Collect GPS data
- Process GPS data, QA/QC
- Analyze data
- Identify congestion based on client defined thresholds
- Develop recommendations for mitigations
- Prioritize segments

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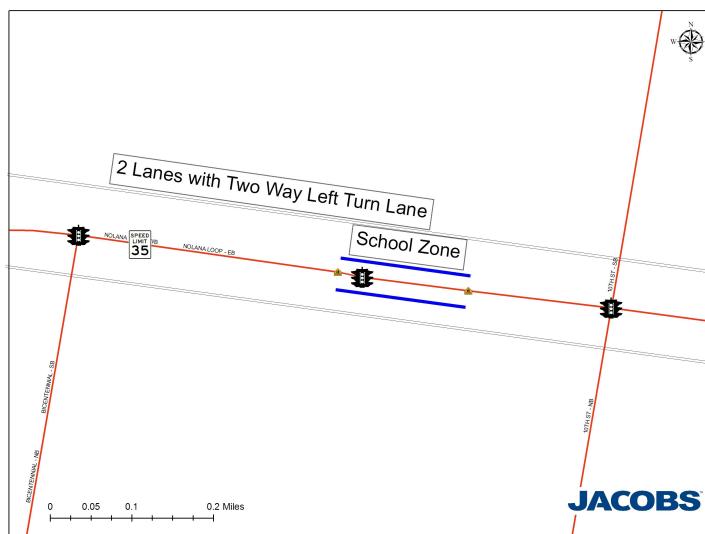
Linear Referencing System

- Similar to mile markers
- Lines in GIS that are “measure” aware
- All data refer to route locations



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Floating Car Data Collection

- Custom Program for Windows Mobile OS on Dell Axim PDA
- Bluetooth GPS with real-time differential correction
- Stores RouteID, Driver Name apart from Lat/Long etc on each GPS Point
- Compressed XML

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PDA Program



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Data Management

- Web based data management for upload and download of field data
- No e-mail or FTP transfers

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Data Management

| Transfer GPS Datafiles | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------|----------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|----------------|
| User: gogulamx Click here to change your password Role: RRQA GPS Administrator | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="button" value="GPS Files"/> <input type="button" value="Map"/> | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="button" value="Week Ending"/> <input type="button" value="Company"/> | | | | | | | | |
| | Datasfile | Driver | Collected Date | Collected On | Uploaded By | Uploaded On | Size (Kb) | Download Count |
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Automated Data Processing and QA/QC

- ArcObjects / ESRI ArcGIS®
- Route matching – Verify and correct driver assigned Route Identifiers
- Measure assignment
- Extraneous data exclusion
- Time Period checks
- Assign Segment Identifiers

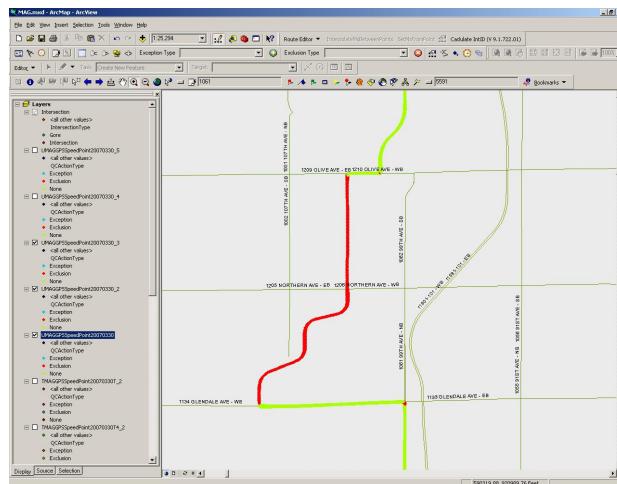
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Database Processing

- ArcSDE and Microsoft SQL Server®
- Additional QA/QC
- MOEs for all runs on all routes
- Average Speed, Travel Time, Delay etc
- Standard Deviation
- Outliers
- Views

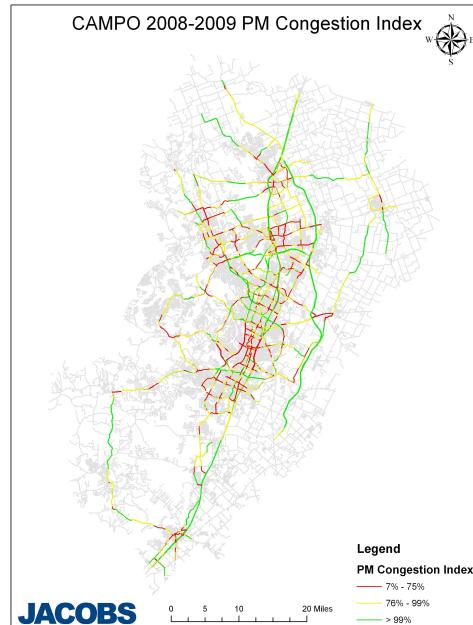
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Quality Assurance



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Reporting



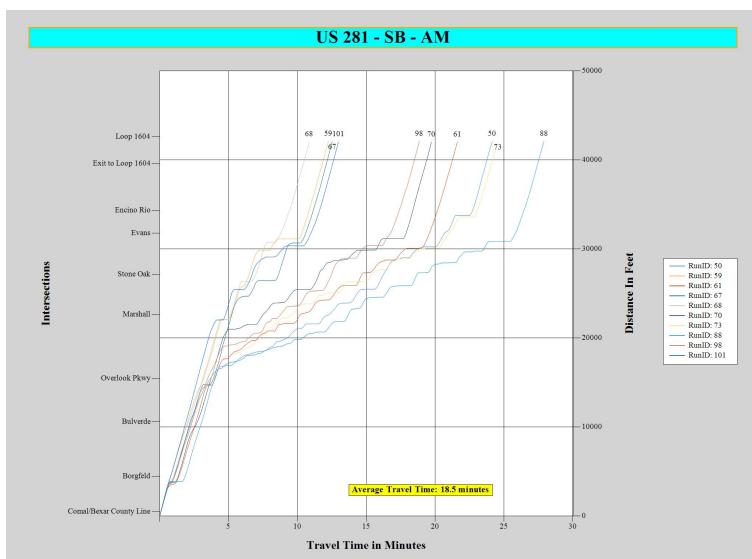
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High Level of Detail



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Historic Comparison



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