CONNECTED VEHICLE DATA SAFETY APPLICATIONS

Michael Martin, Dr. Lingtao Wu, Mahin Ramezani

Texas A&M Transportation Institute



SAFETY THROUGH DISRUPTION

INFORMING ENGINEERING DECISIONS

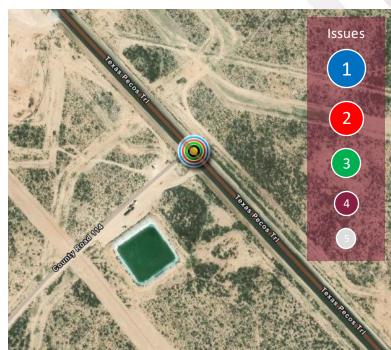
Where & How People Travel



Safety Assessments



Targeting Opportunities





Traffic Control

Driver Behaviors

Roadway Inventory

Intersections

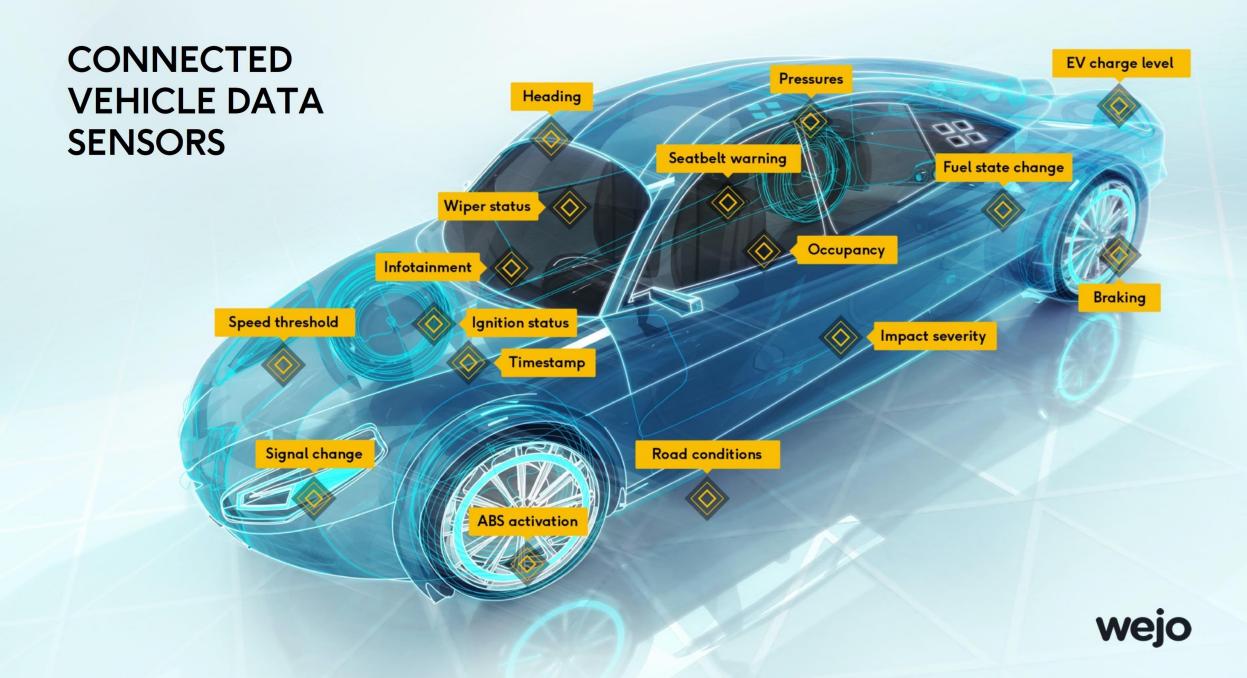
Traffic Counts

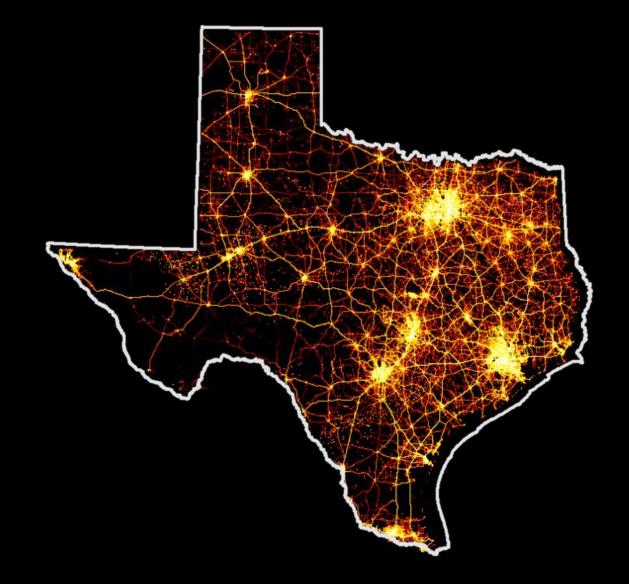
Weather



Curves





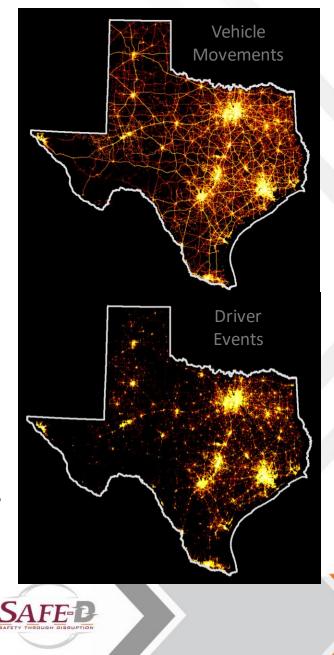


Texas-size Data: Urban & Rural

SAFE DISRUPTION

TXDOT STATEWIDE WEJO DATA

- Statewide coverage
- Nov. 2021 May 2023
- Vehicle movements
 - 1.2 trillion points
 - Every 3-seconds: location, speed, heading, etc.
- Driver events
 - 27 billion points
 - When an event occurs: hard braking, seatbelt latch, etc.



SAFETY THROUGH DISRUPTION

HOW CAN I RELATE TO A TRILLION ANYTHING?

Lego bricks

~64,000 Containers

5.2 MSC Irina



was built by China's Yangzijiang shipyard



Odessa

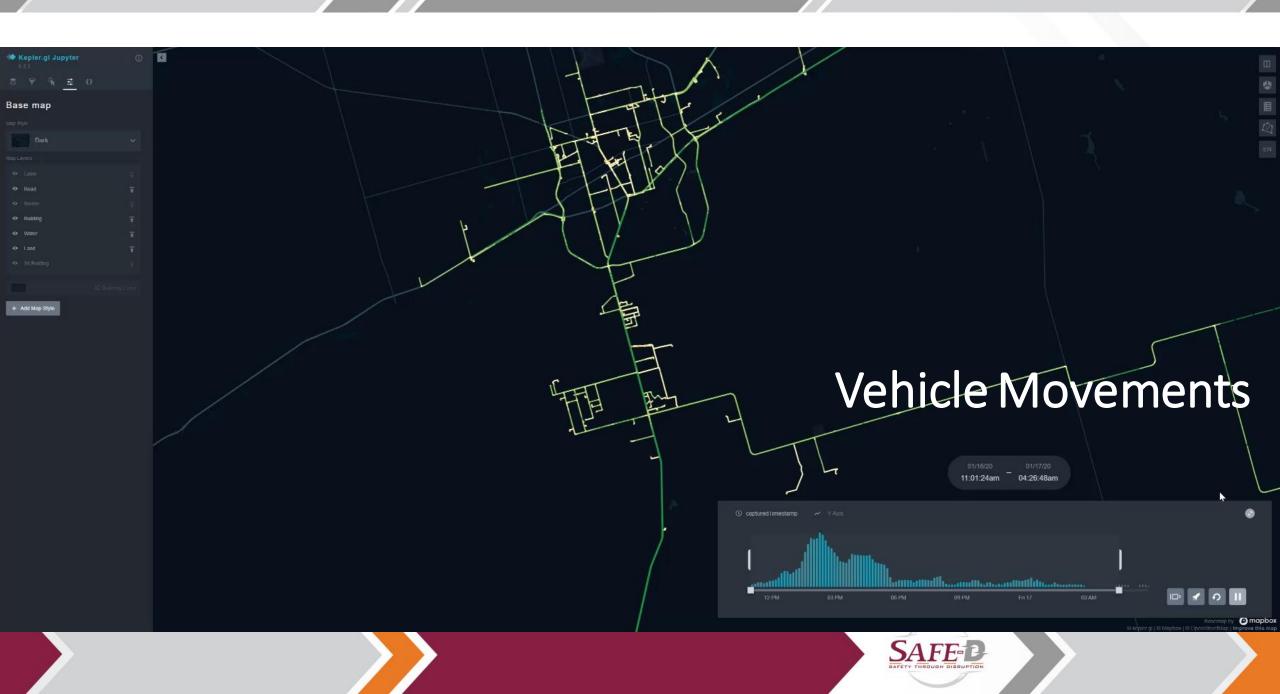
Vehicle Movements

※ 曲 ②



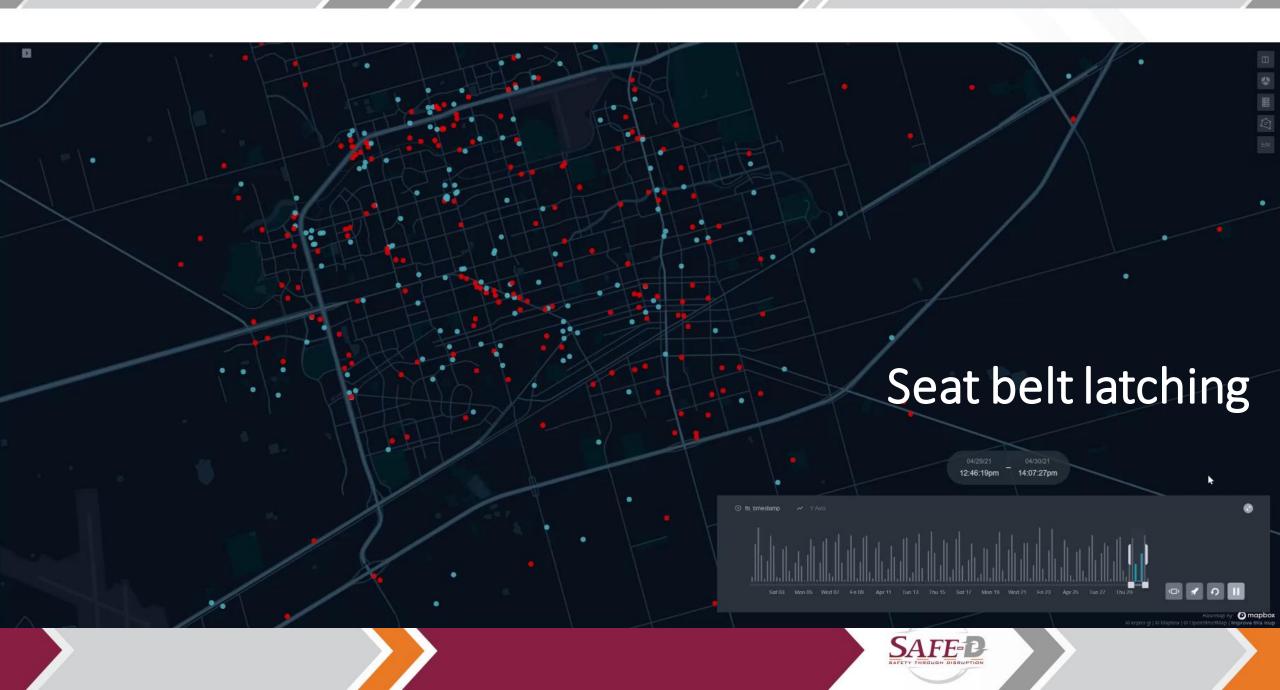
SAFE DE BAFETY THROUGH DISRUPTION

SAFETY THROUGH DISRUPTIO

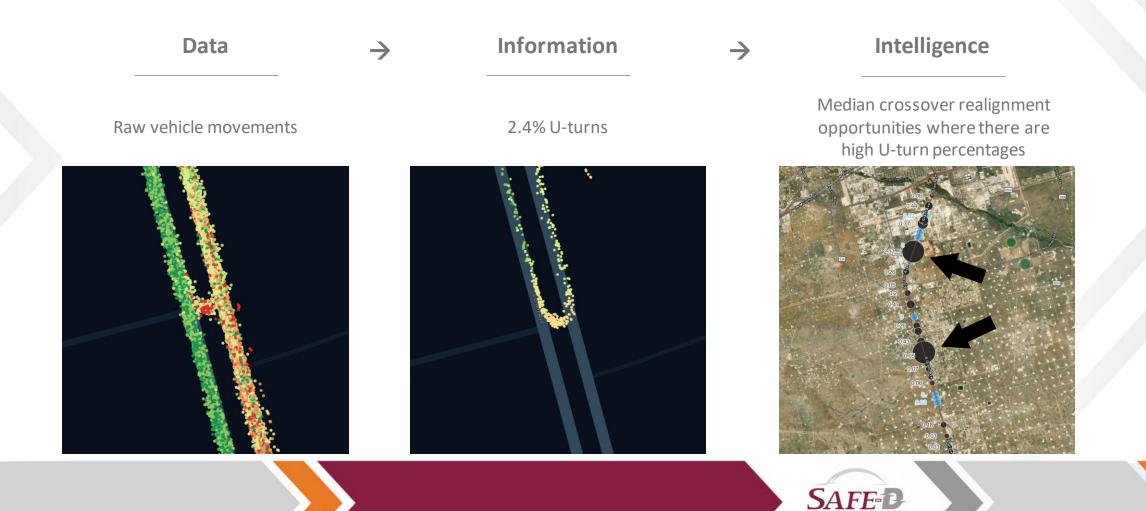








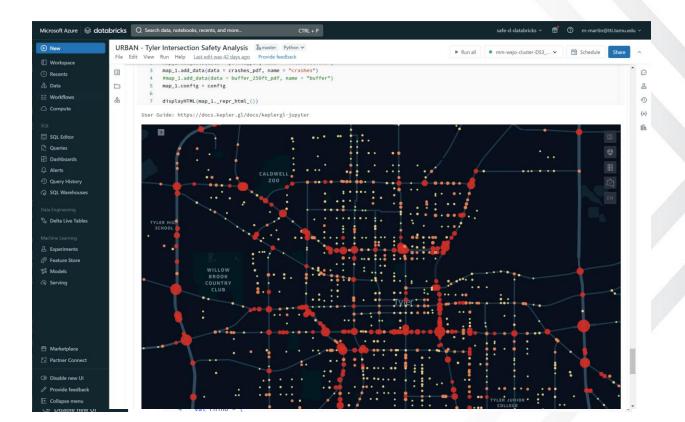
CREATE MEANINGFUL RESULTS



SAFETY THROUGH DISRUPTION

DATA WRANGLING SKILLS REQUIRED

- Data engineering & analysis at this scale is different
- TTI's setup
 - Cloud storage
 - Microsoft Azure Cloud
 - Partitions are your friend
 - Compute options
 - Databricks
 - Flexible, distributed compute
 - Low/no code options
 - Moonshadow
 - XYZT.ai
- Dig into the details & test assumptions



PREDICTING CRASHES

The data fundamentals:

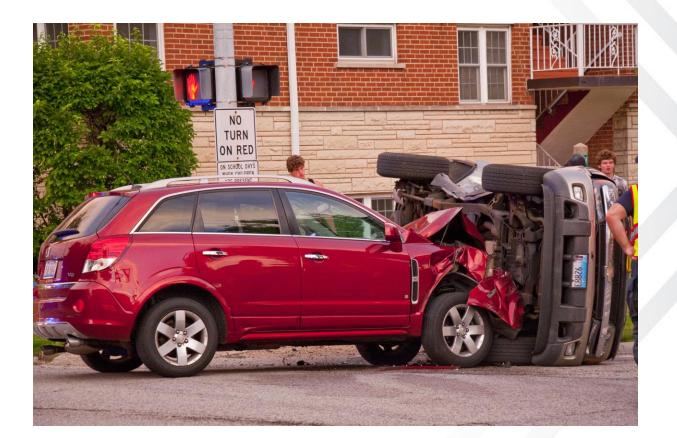
- Crashes
- Exposure
- Driver behaviors
- Roadway characteristics
- Environmental conditions



SAFE-

CRASH DATA

- Location
- Time
- Severity
- Vehicle types
- Contributing factors
- Conditions
- Collision type





EXPOSURE DATA

- Traffic volume (AADT)
- Trips
 - Counts
 - Length
 - Duration
- Turning movements





DRIVER BEHAVIOR DATA

- Operating speeds
- Hard braking
- Hard acceleration
- Distractions
- Turning movements
- Lane departures
- Emergency braking
- Seat belt (un)latching
- Passengers





ROADWAY CHARACTERISTIC DATA

- Posted speed limit
- Segment
- Intersection / driveways
- Curves
- Functional class
- Number of lanes
- Shoulder width
- Median type
- Pavement type / condition

Model Inventory of Roadway Elements Fundamental Data Elements (MIRE FDE):

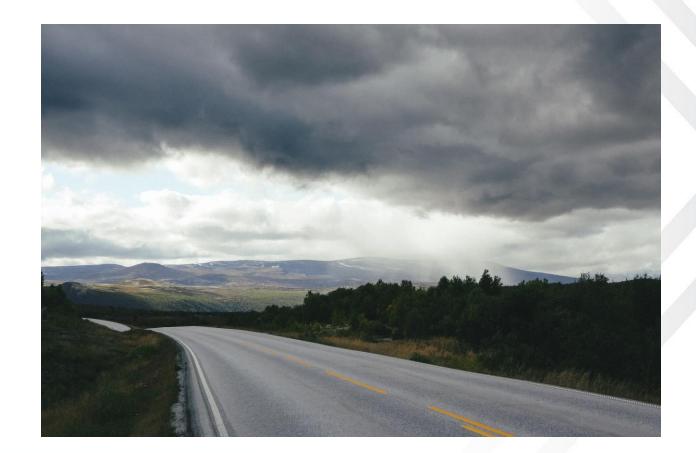


Source: FHWA



ENVIRONMENT CONDITIONS DATA

- Lighting conditions
- Precipitation
- Temperature
- Event intensity



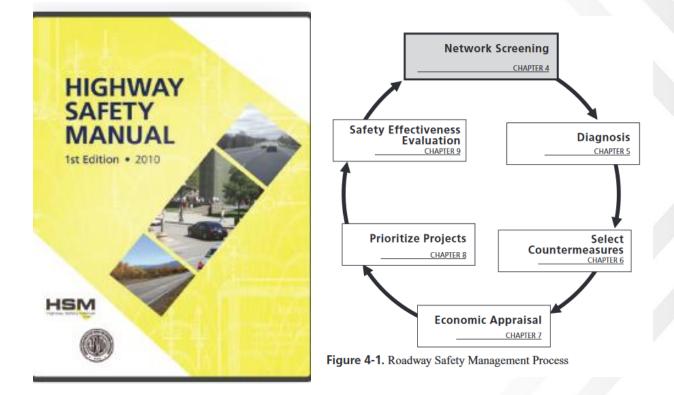


CV DATA SAFETY APPLICATION

Goals

- Reduce crash frequency
- Reduce crash severity

How do you get started?

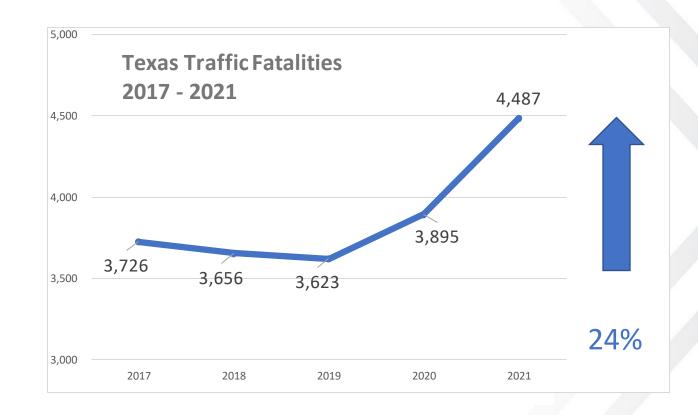


SAFE-

PREDICTING CRASHES

Suggestions:

- Pull together data fundamentals
- Use existing science-based methods
- HSM Network screening
 - Roadway "wellness check"
 - Predictive methods (SPF + EB)
 - Determine influential factors
- Remember context matters



SAFE

MEANINGFUL APPLICATIONS

Relative Counts

Segment-based Rates





Speed Profiles

speed_mph





SPEED CALCULATIONS

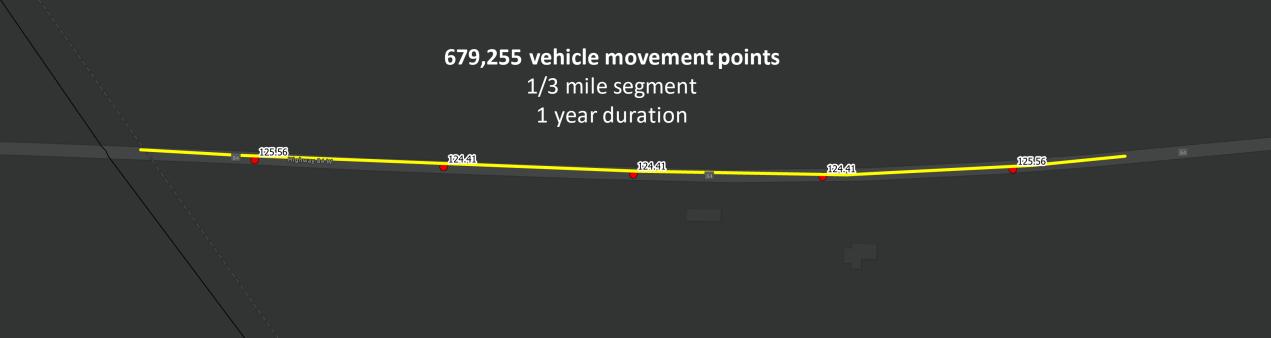
1. Space-Mean Speed

The journey distance traveled divided by the journey travel time. Segment SMS is the average journey SMS per segment.

2. Time-Mean Speed

The average of all waypoint speeds per journey. Segment TMS is the average journey TMS per segment.

- 3. Speed variance
- 4. 15th, 50th (Median), 85th, and 95th percentiles
- 5. 15th vs 85th percentiles speed differential
- 6. PSL vs 85th percentile speed differential
- 7. 10-MPH Pace



TURNING MOVEMENTS

Wejo Attributes

- Location
- Time
- Speed •
- Heading
- Ignition on/off

Algorithm

2.4% U-turns

- Heading change •
 - Left & right turn: ~ 90 degree
 - U-turn: ~ 180 degree
- Takes a few second
- Same location •

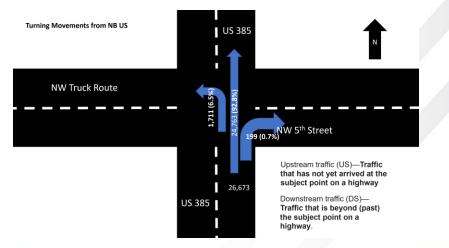






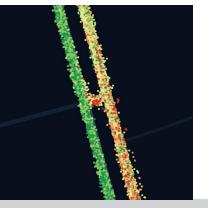
Median crossover realignment

opportunities where there are





Raw vehicle movements



SUMMARY

- Raw ingredients
 - Statewide coverage / Nov. 2021 May 2023
 - Vehicle movements (+1 trillion points)
 - Every 3-seconds: location, speed, heading, etc.
 - Driver events (28 billion points)
 - When an event occurs: hard braking, seatbelt latch, etc.
- Data engineering skills required
 - Cloud storage & compute options
 - Low/no code options
- Dig into the details & test assumptions
- Data \rightarrow Information \rightarrow Intelligence
 - Predictive crash modeling
 - Turning movements
 - Speeds for custom segments

