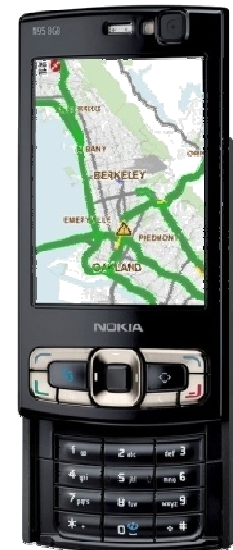


# Optimization formulations for inverse problems with applications to Mobile Sensing



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# Mobile sensing for solving societal challenges

## Fusion of mobile pollution data with models, for air pollution monitoring



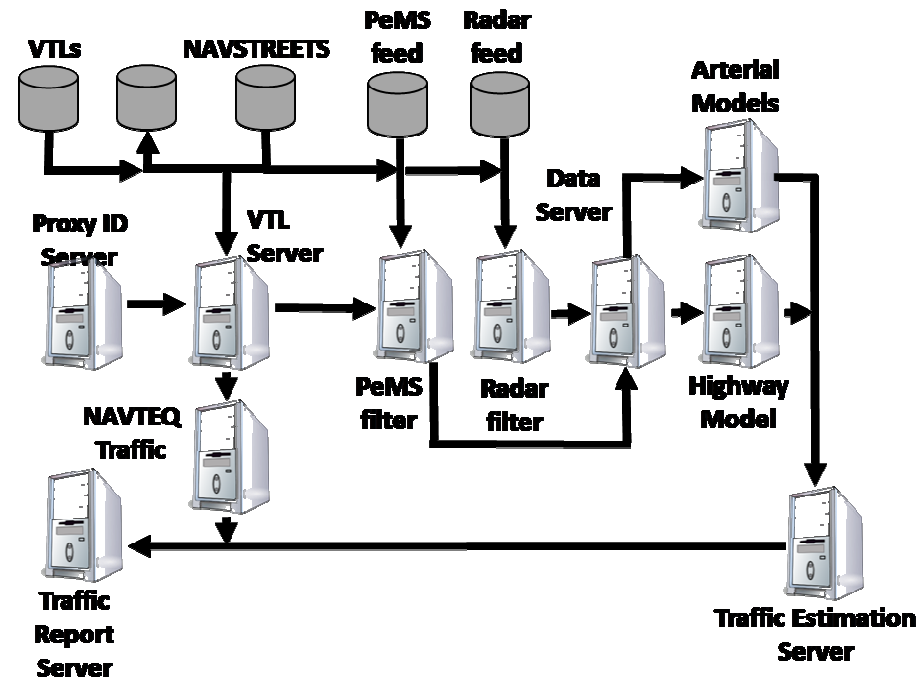
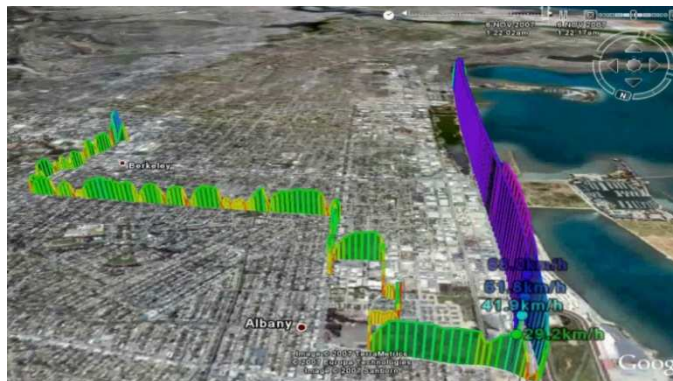
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Participatory sensing for traffic flow monitoring:  
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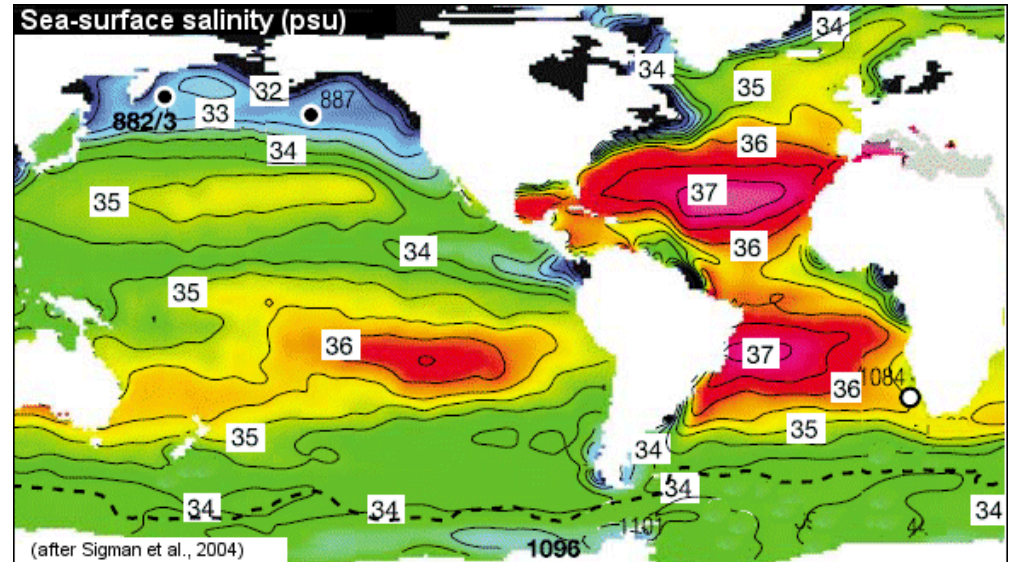
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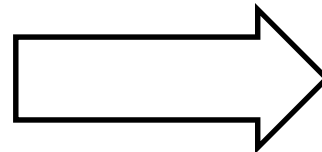
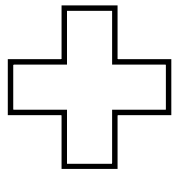
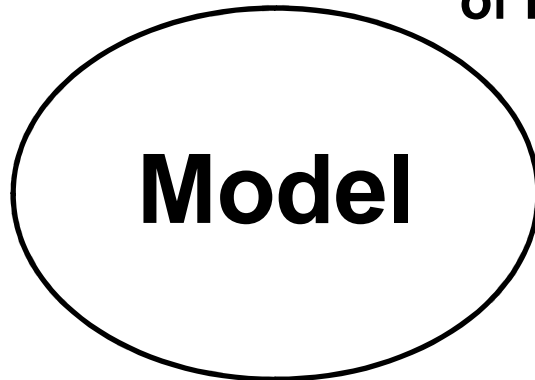


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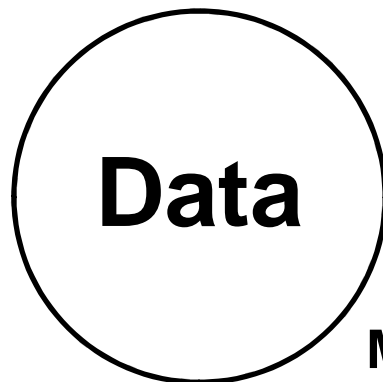
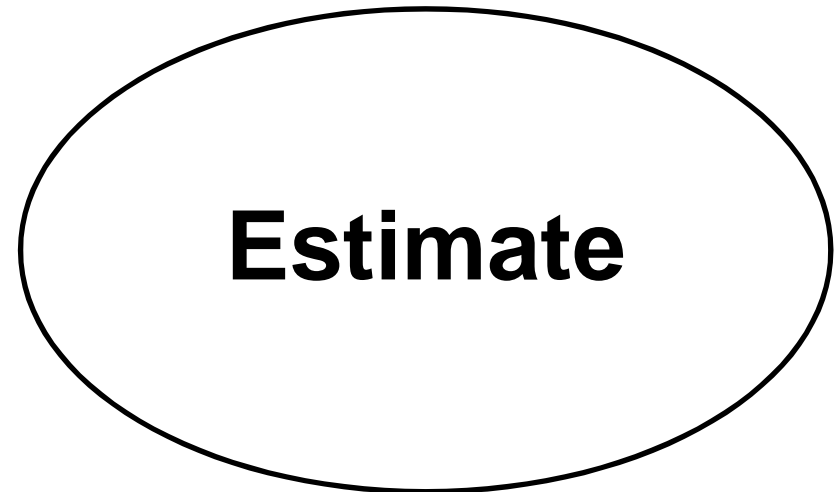
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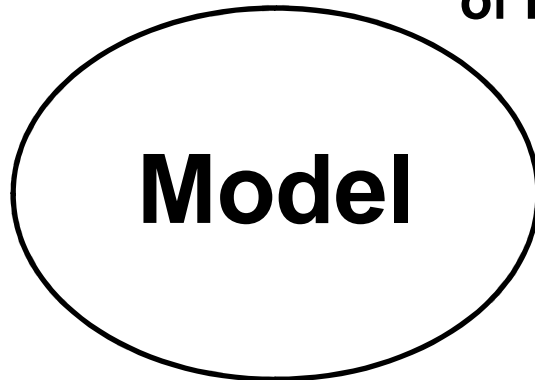
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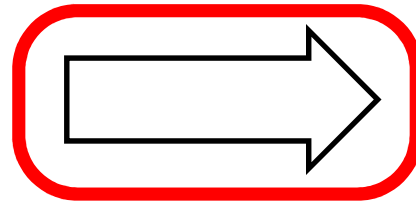
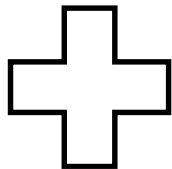
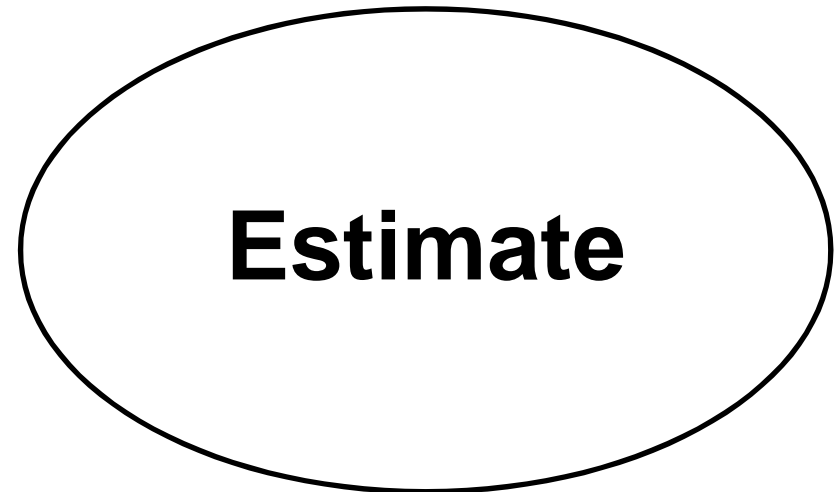
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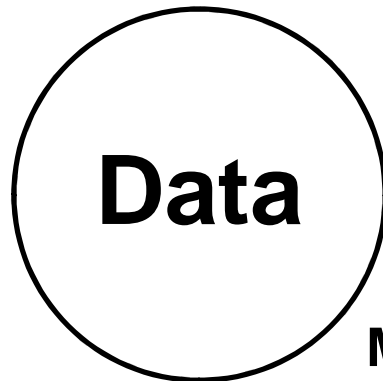
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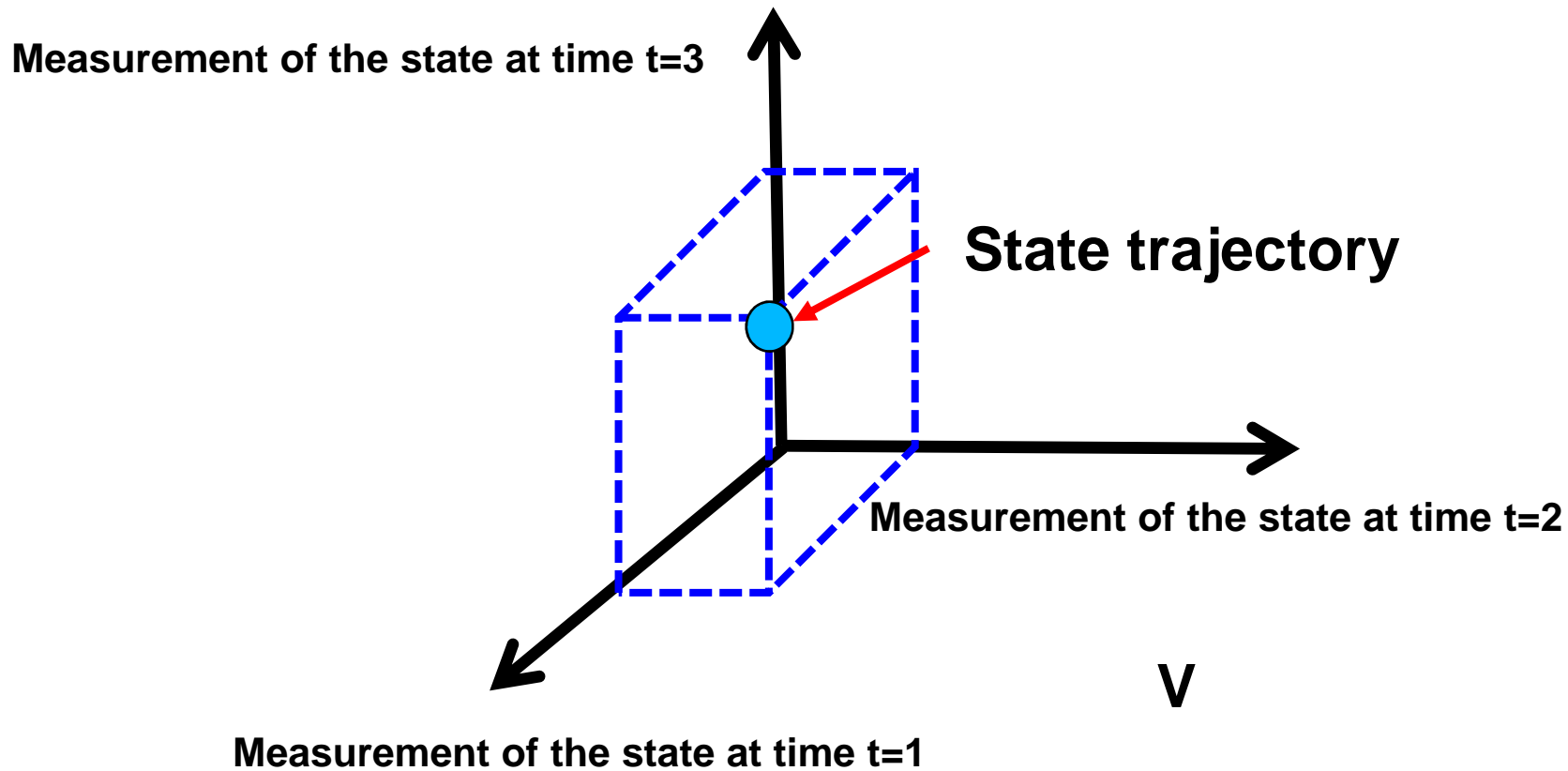
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Assume that any evolution trajectory of a system can be represented as a point in a (high dimensional) vector space  $V$





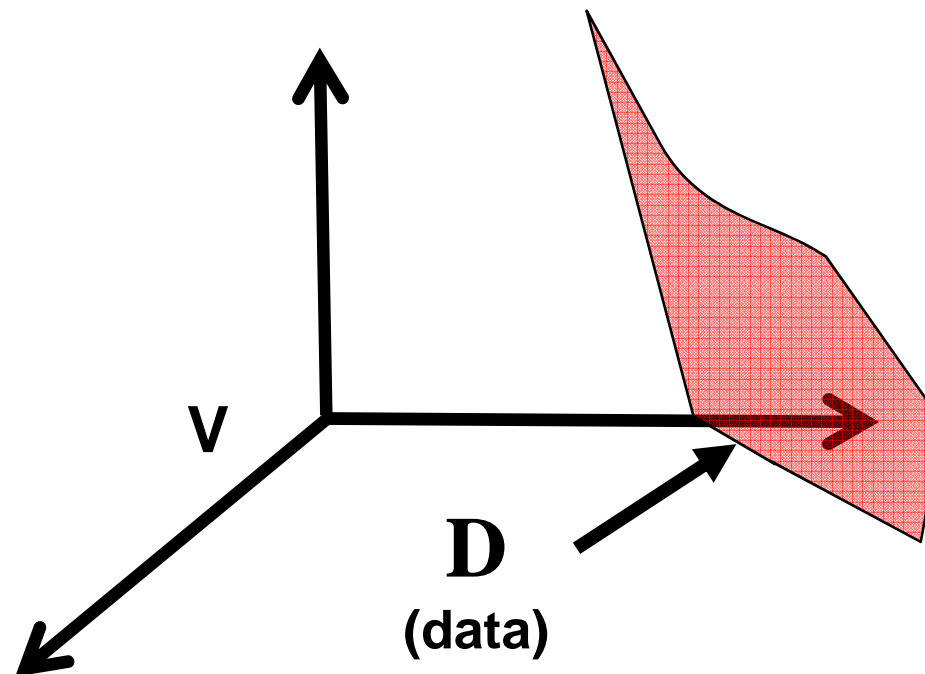
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The measurement data corresponds to a set of “possible state trajectories”  $D$  of the system (i.e. trajectories that are compatible with the measurement data)

**$D$  is not a single point because of:**

- Measurement uncertainty
- Missing measurements



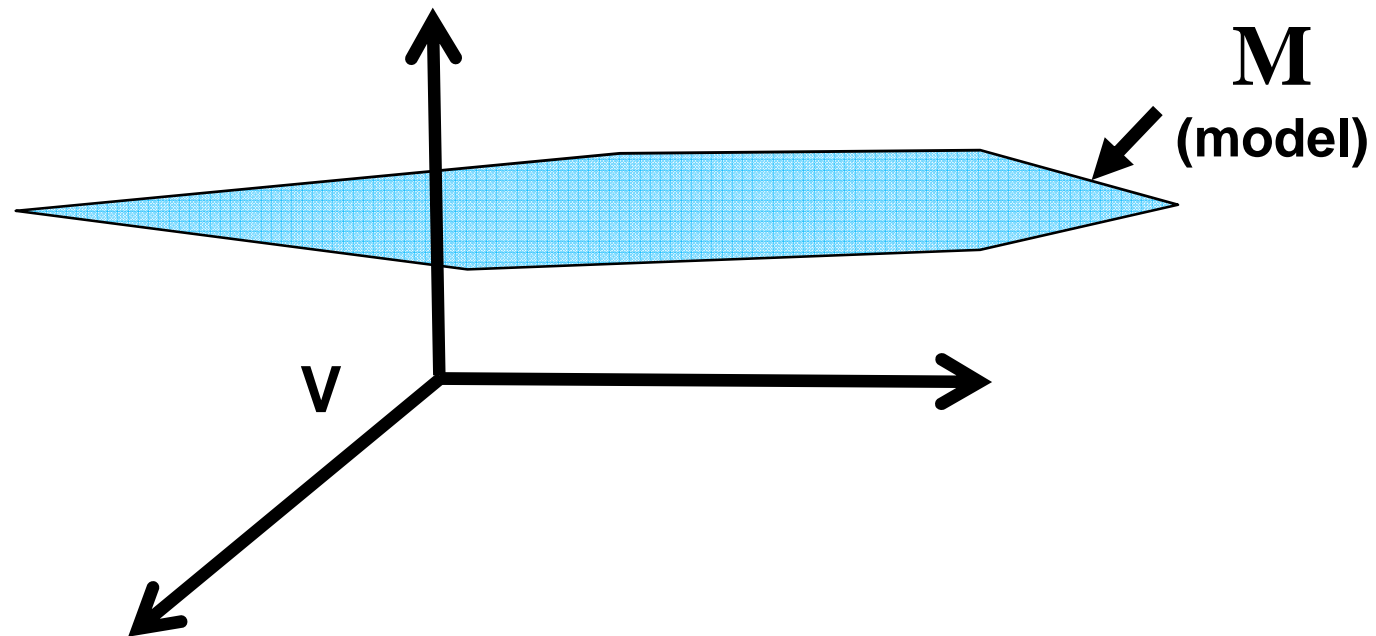
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The model yields a set of “possible model trajectories”  $M$  (i.e. trajectories that are compatible with the model)

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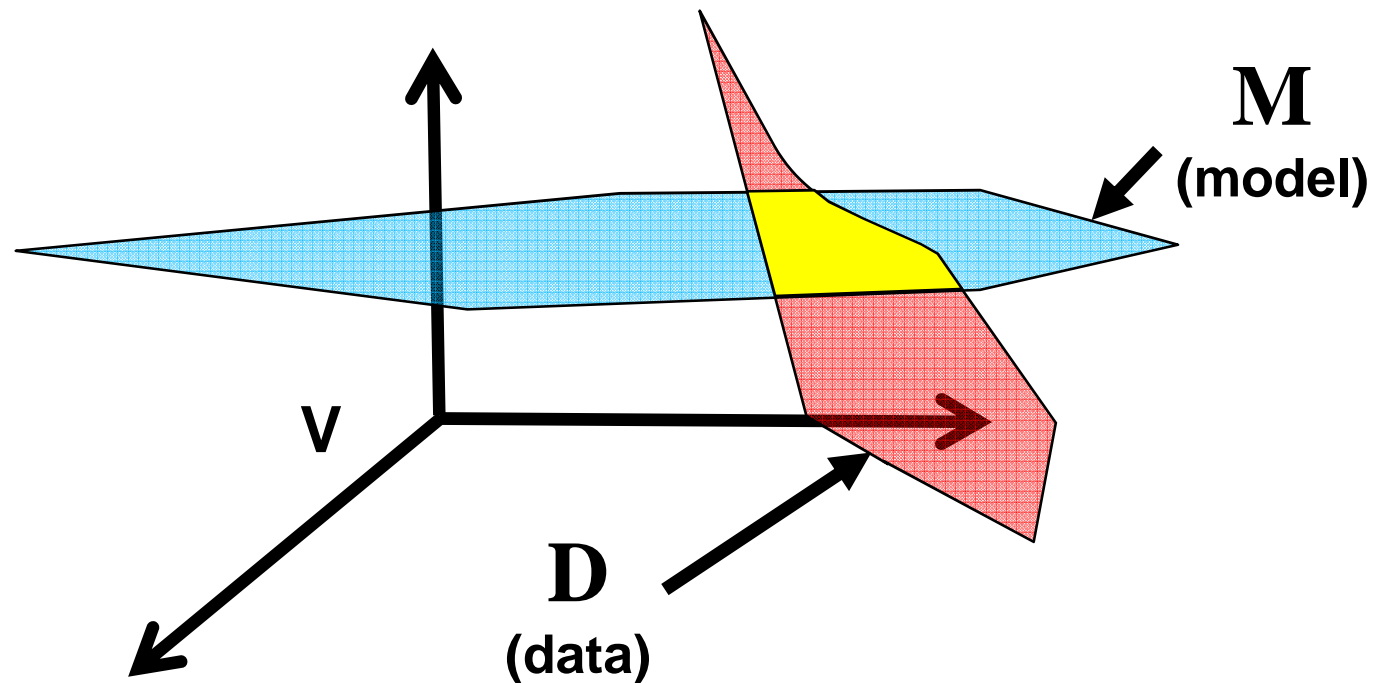
- The evolution trajectory depends upon the initial condition
- The model parameters may be uncertain



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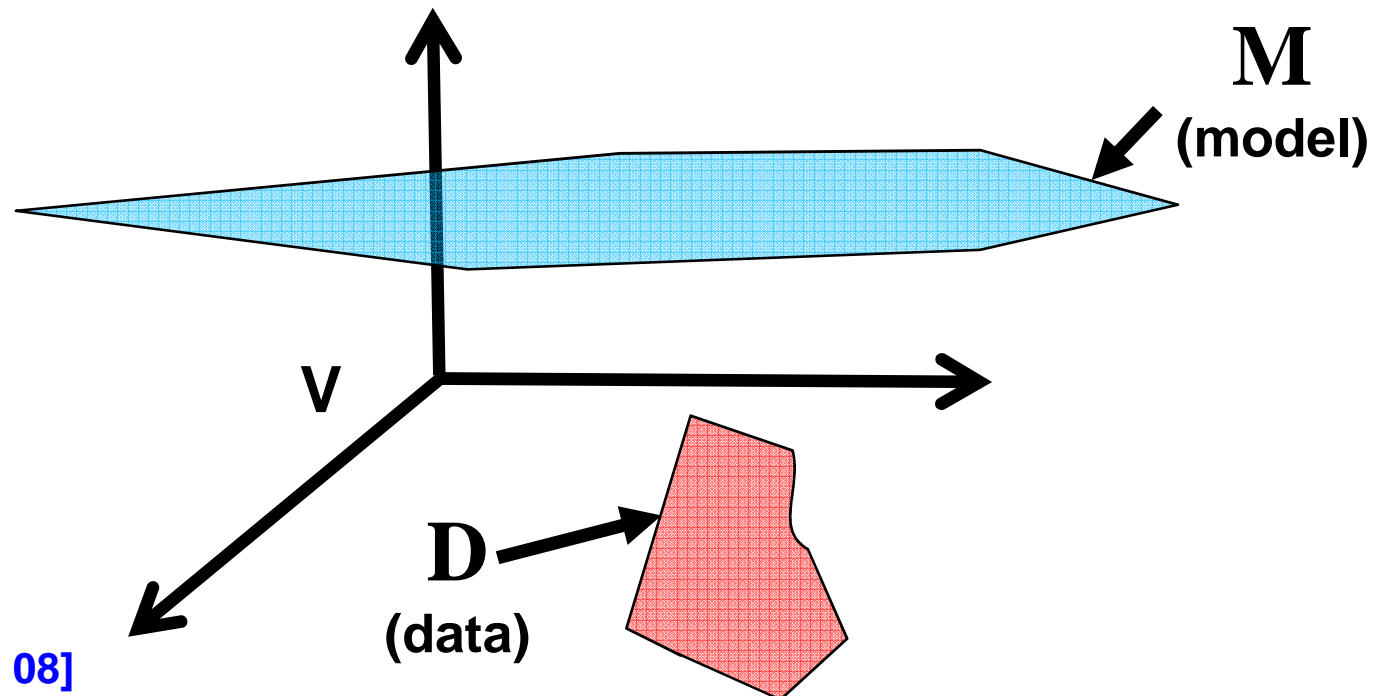
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If both sets intersect, there exist state trajectories which are both compatible with the model and the data



## Case 2: incompatibility between data and model

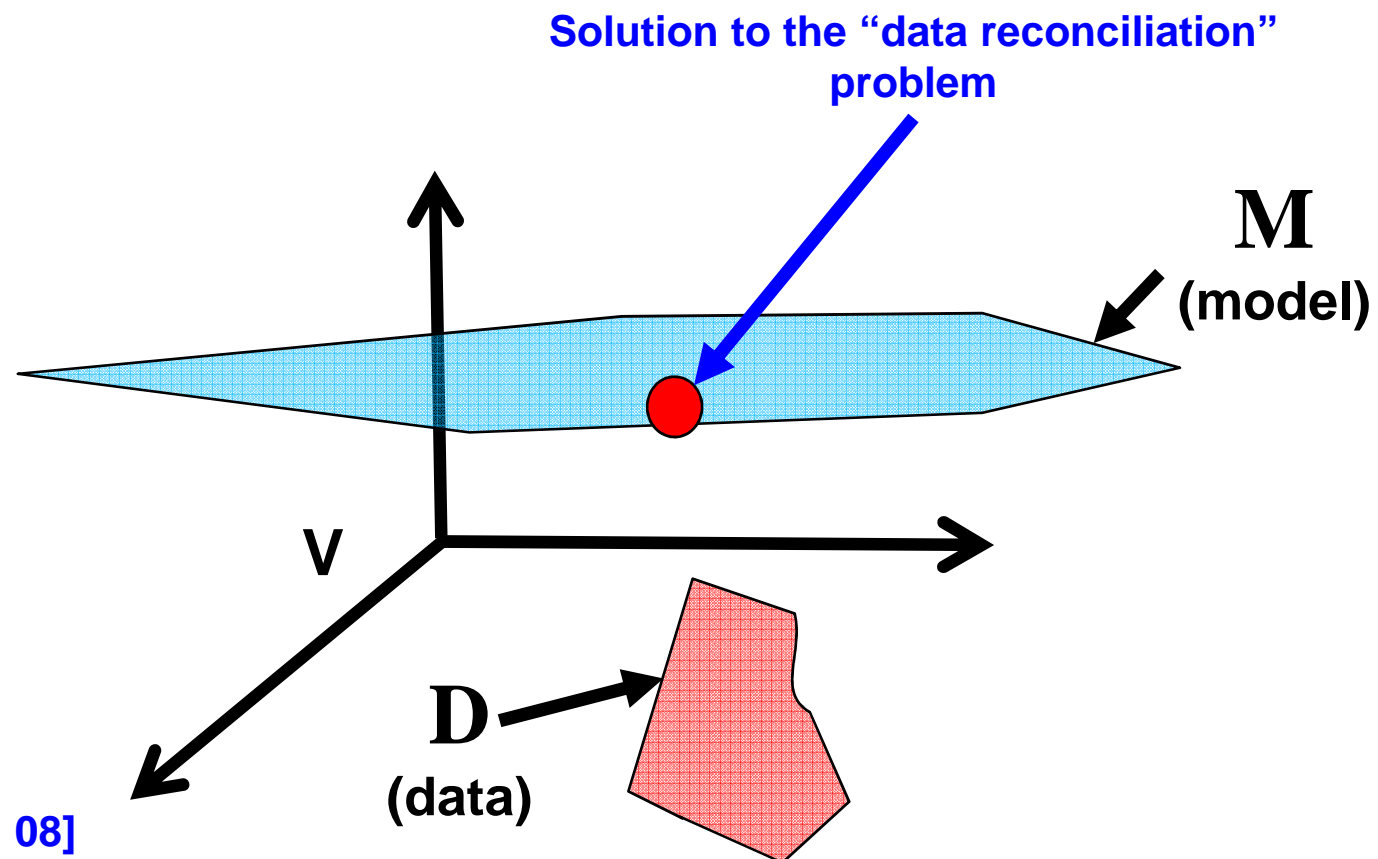
If both sets do not intersect, there are no state trajectories which are both compatible with the model and the data. Two problems might still be of interest



[Evensen 07]  
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# Case 2.a: incompatibility between data and model

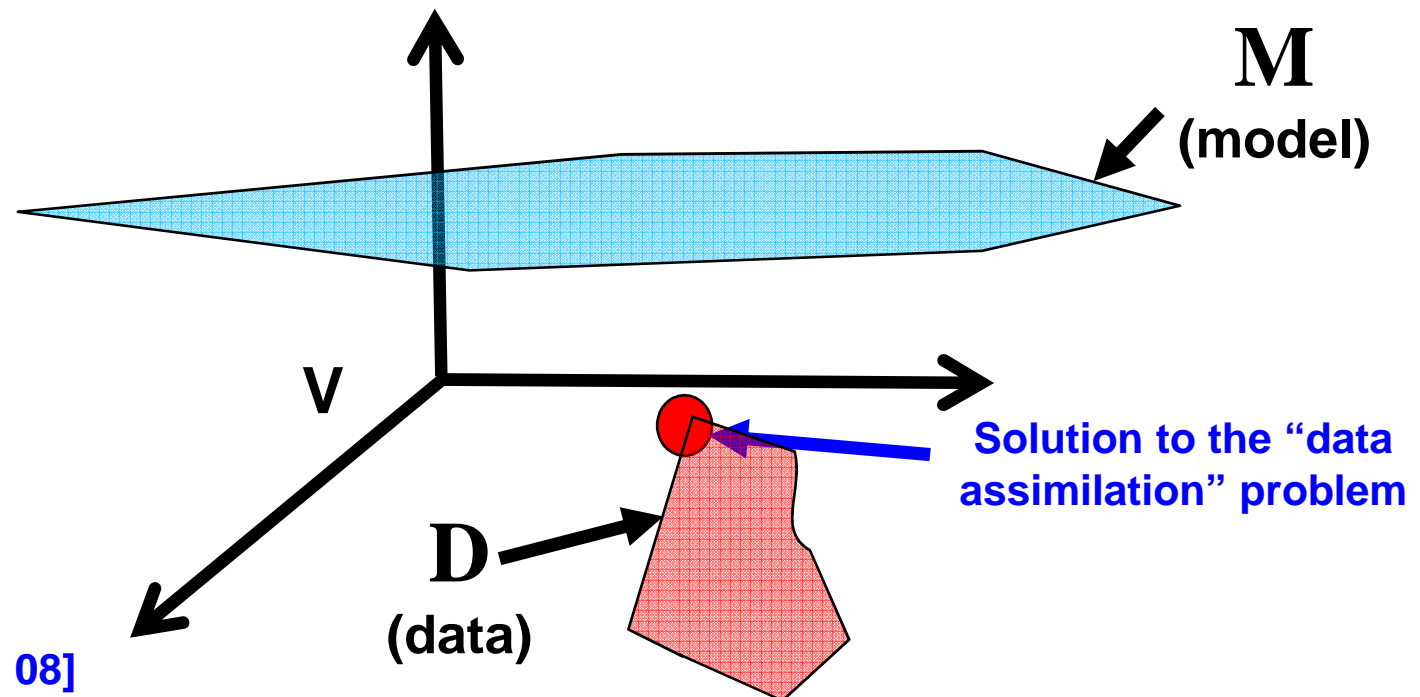
**Data reconciliation problem:** finding the trajectory satisfying the model closest to the data



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## Case 2.b: incompatibility between data and model

**Data assimilation problem:** finding the trajectory satisfying the data closest to be a solution of the model



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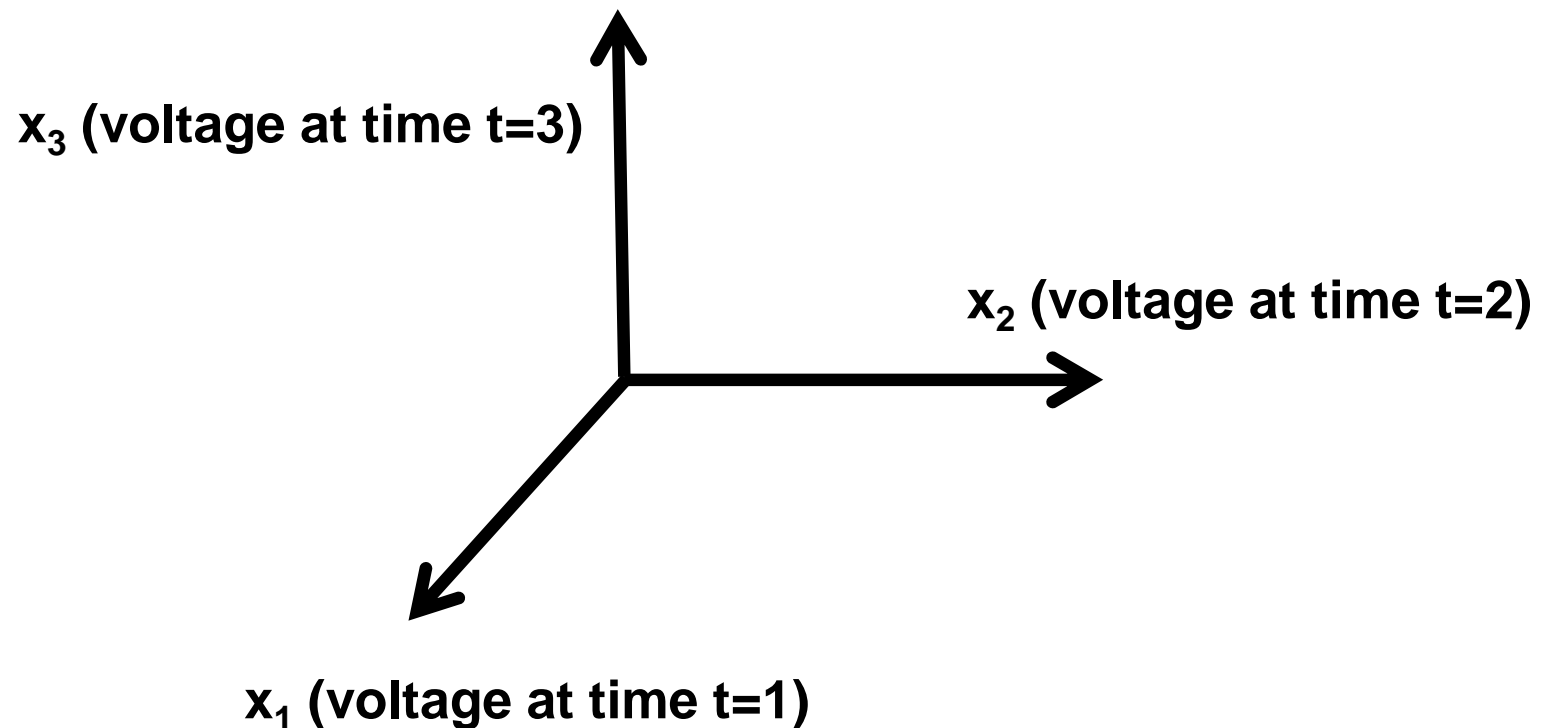


# Introductory example

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Consider the measurement of a battery's voltage  $x$  over (discrete) time. If  $n$  discrete measurements are considered, the evolution trajectory space  $V$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$

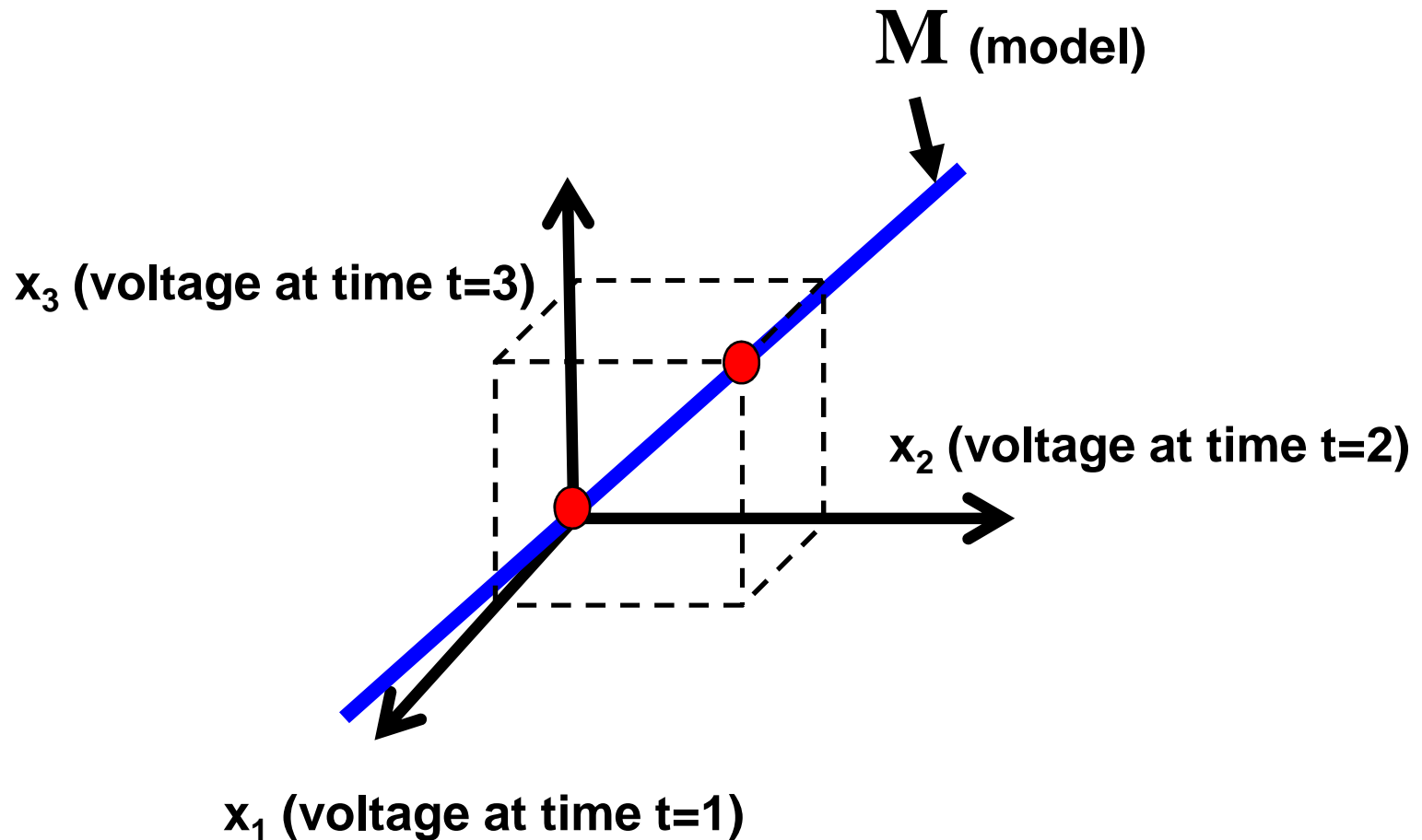
For  $n=3$ , the state trajectory is defined by  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$



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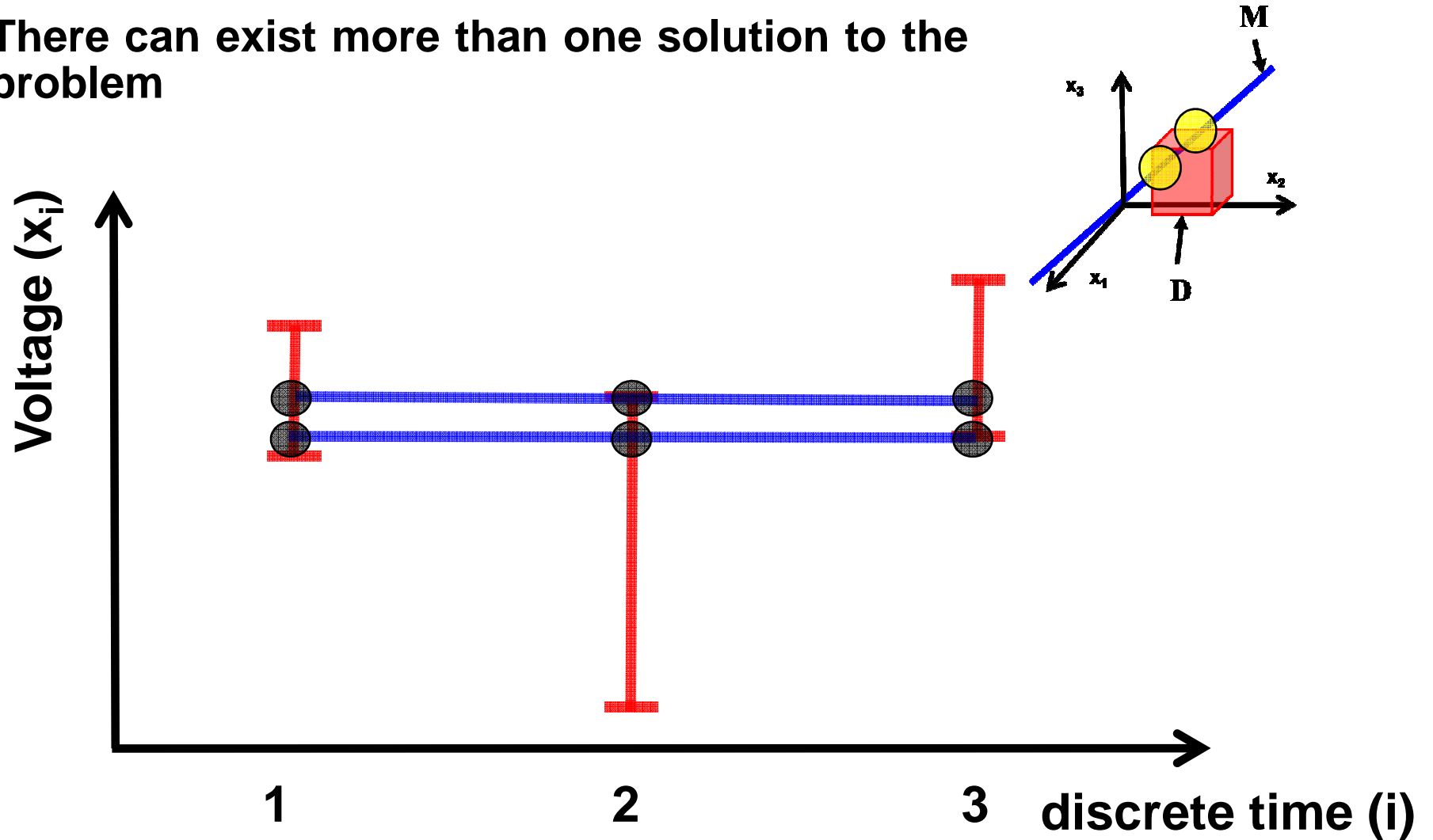
Consider the simple discrete time linear model:  $x_{k+1} = x_k$





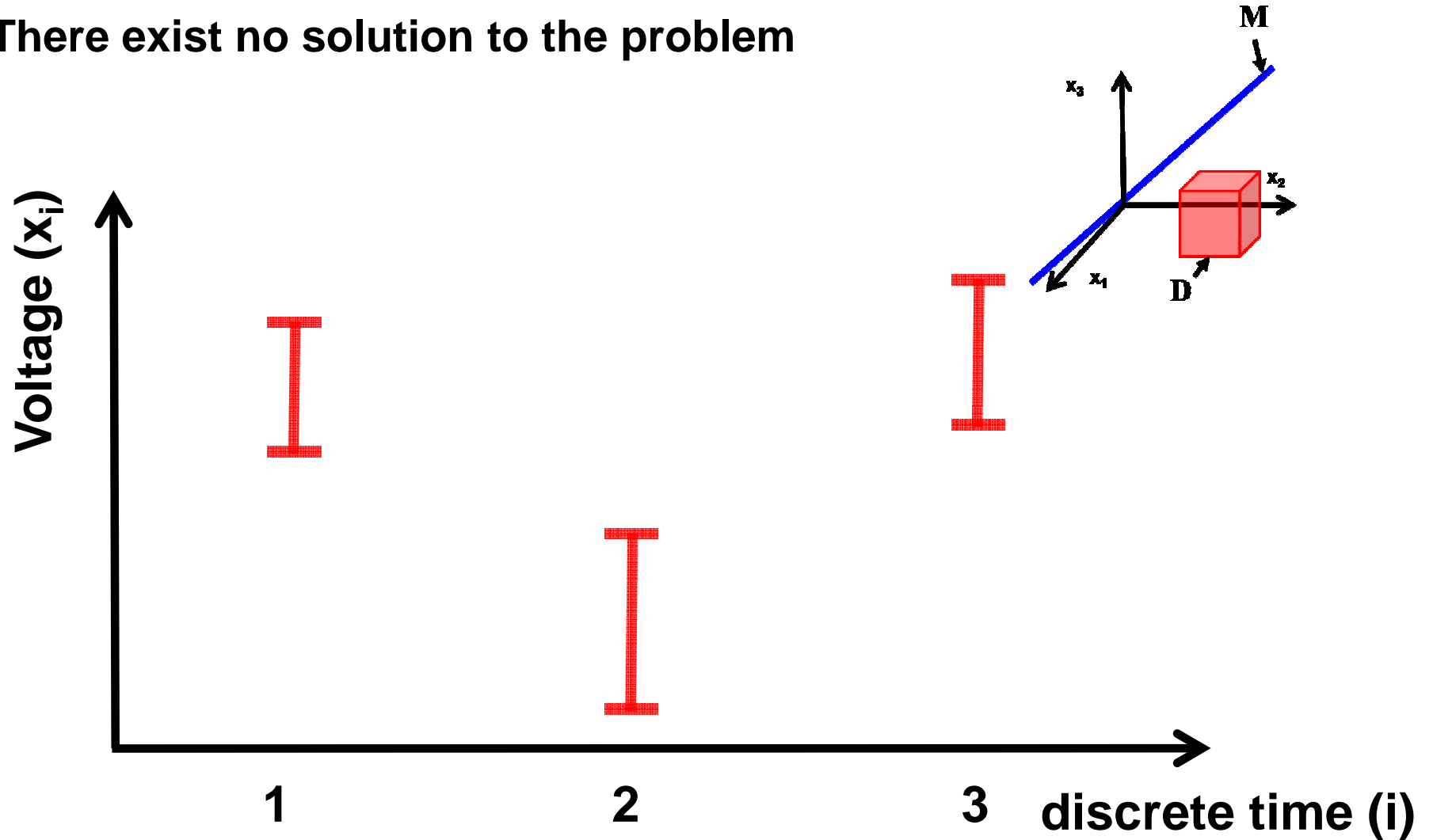
# Case 1: compatible data

There can exist more than one solution to the problem

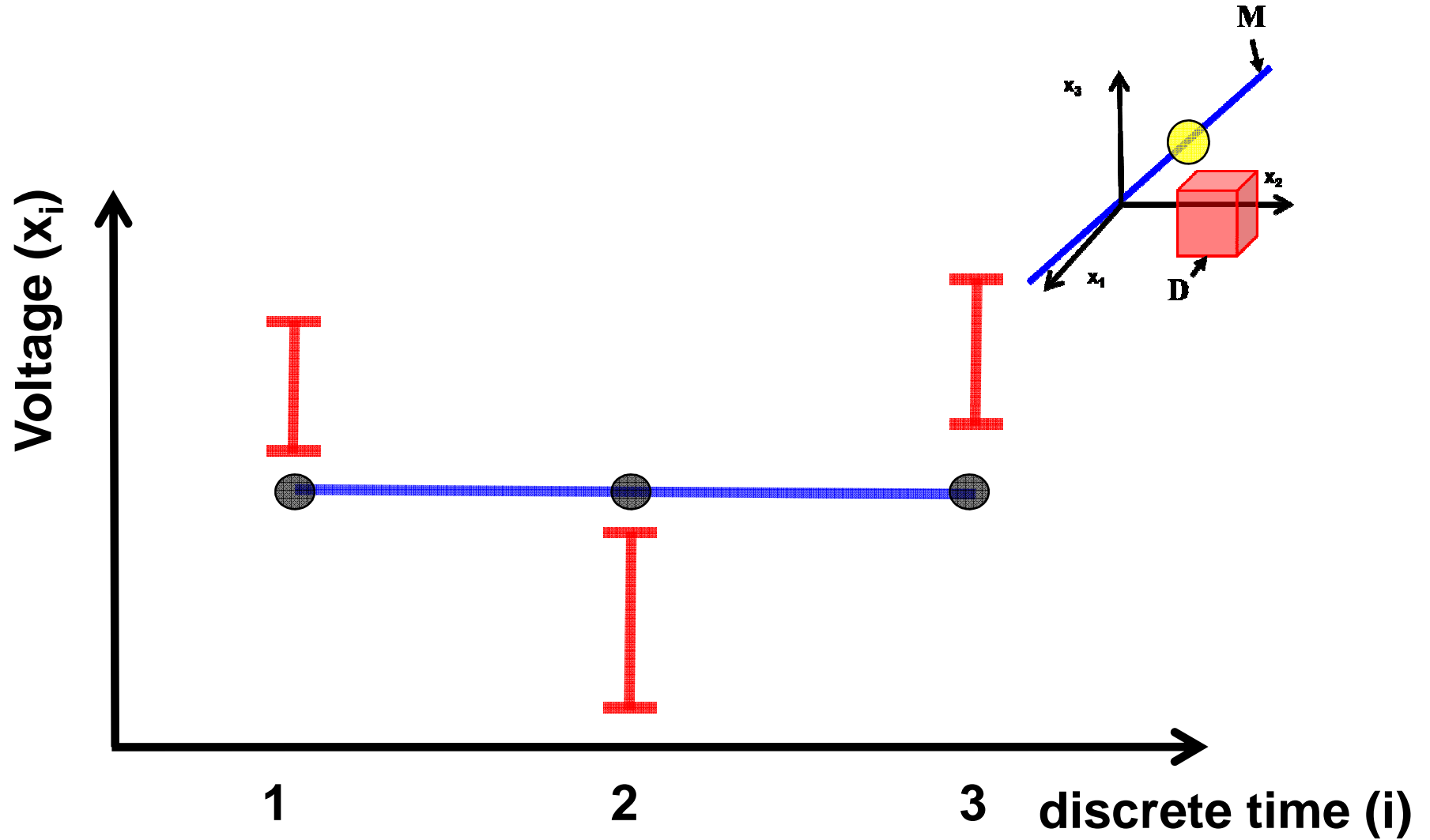


## Case 2: incompatible data

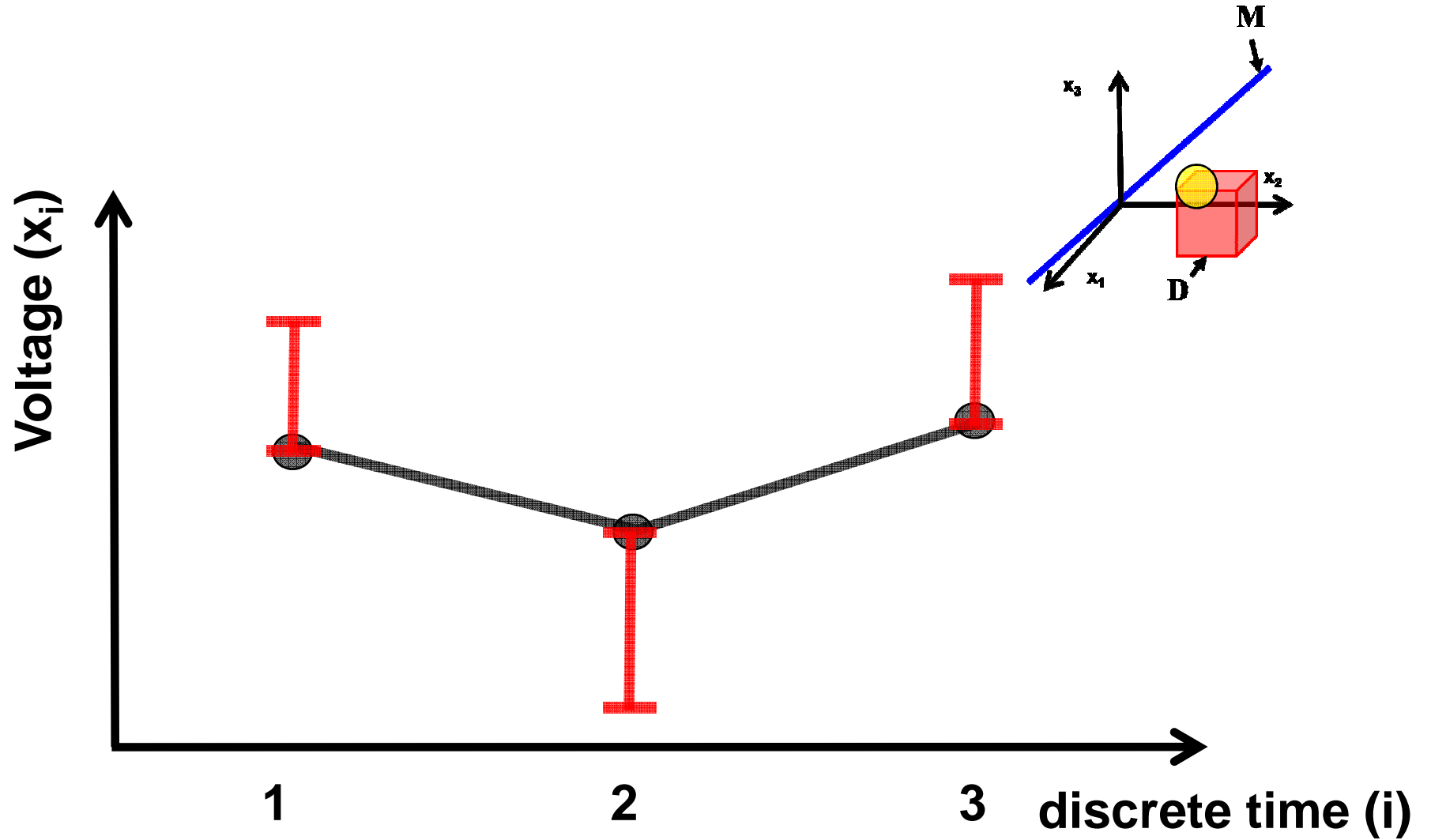
There exist no solution to the problem



# Case 2.a: data reconciliation



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**Mobile Millennium project: estimating traffic conditions on highways and secondary roads using multiple sources of data:**

**Dedicated infrastructure:**

- Transponders (FasTrak)
- Speed radars
- Magnetometers
- Loop detectors
- Traffic cameras



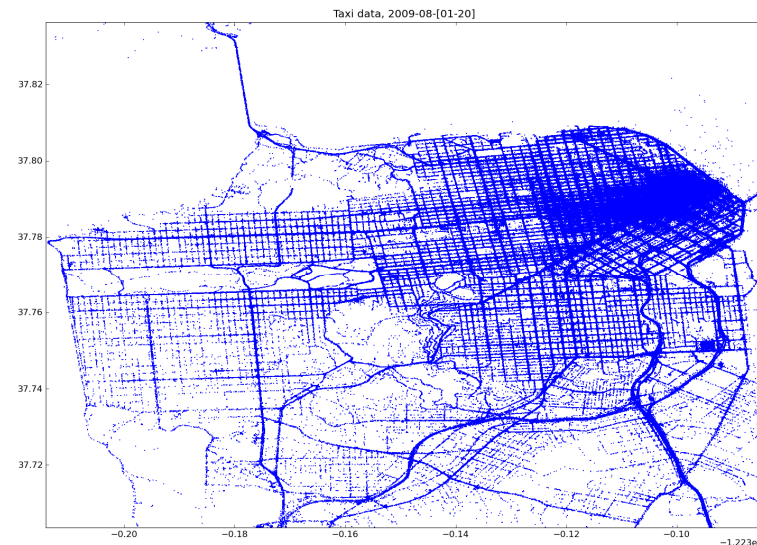
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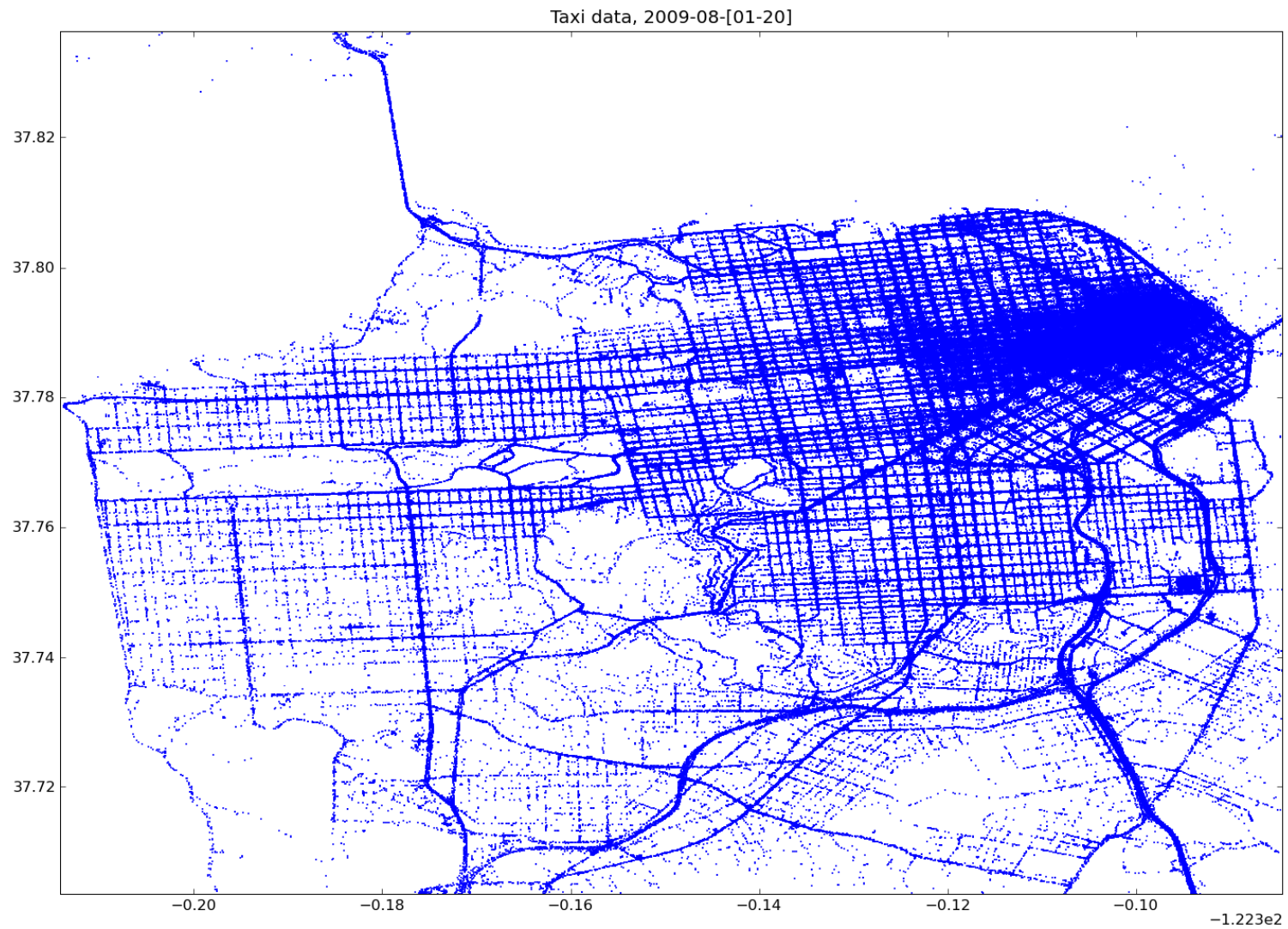
## Participatory sensing

- Phones
- Taxi location information
- Aftermarket devices
- Fleet location information



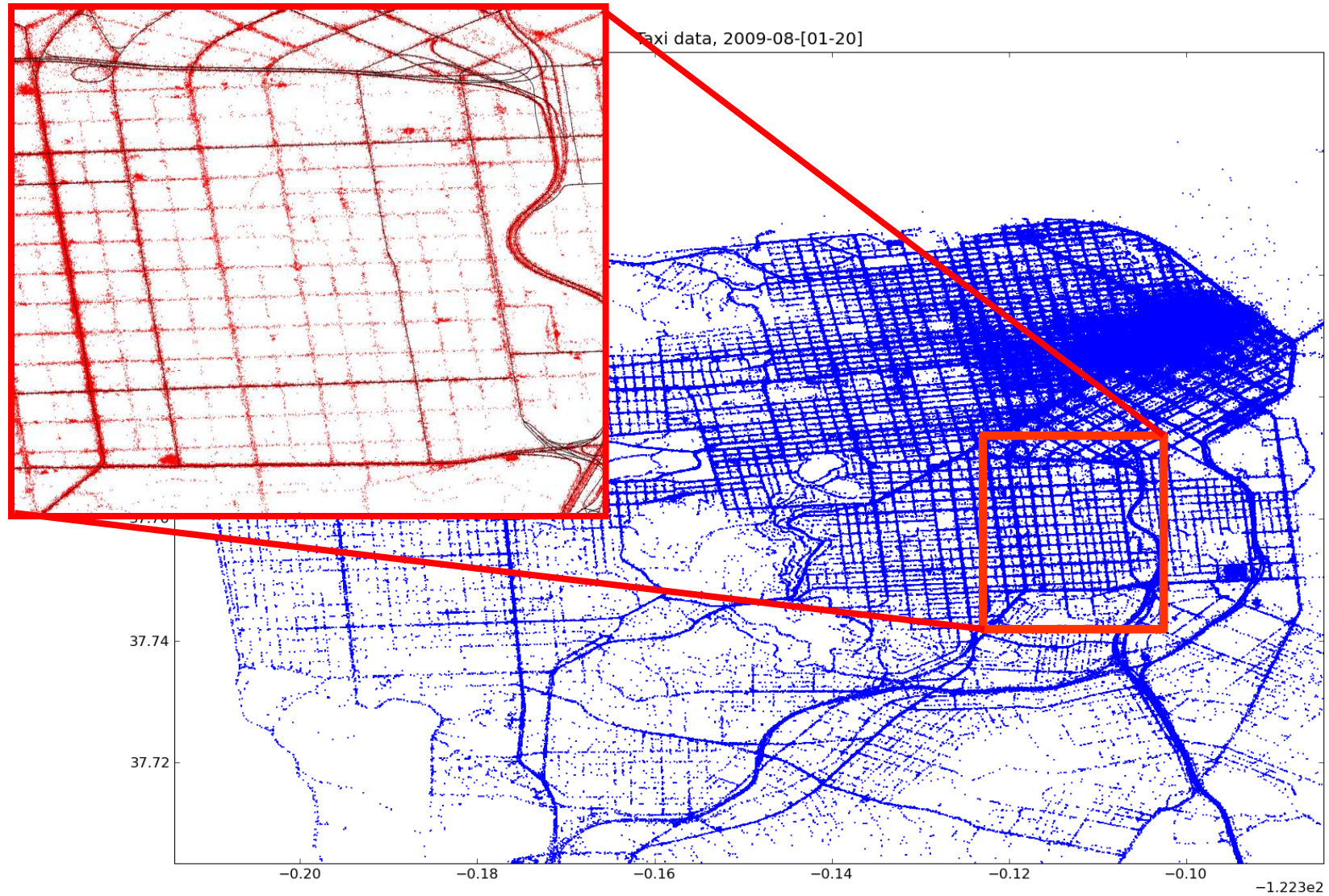
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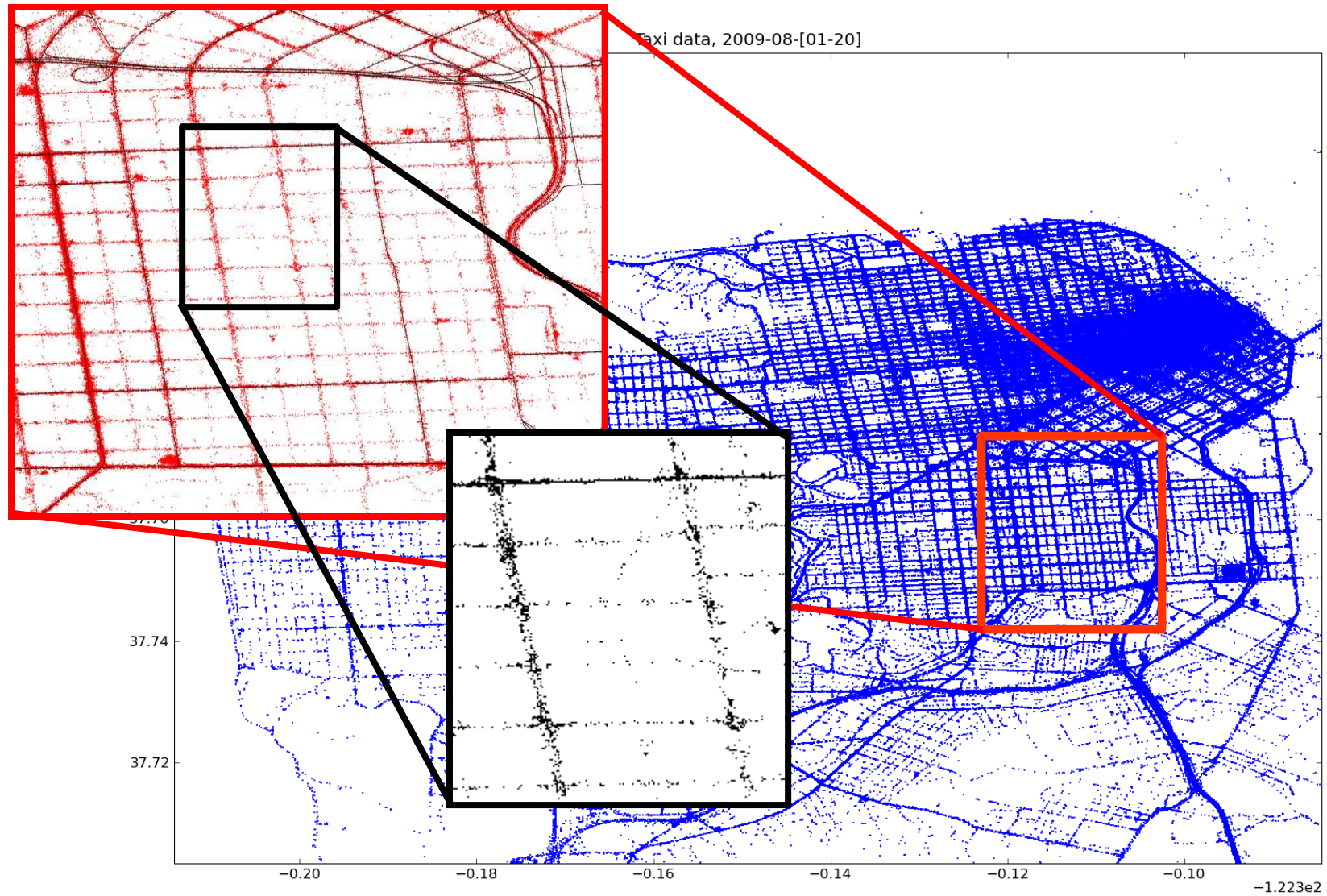




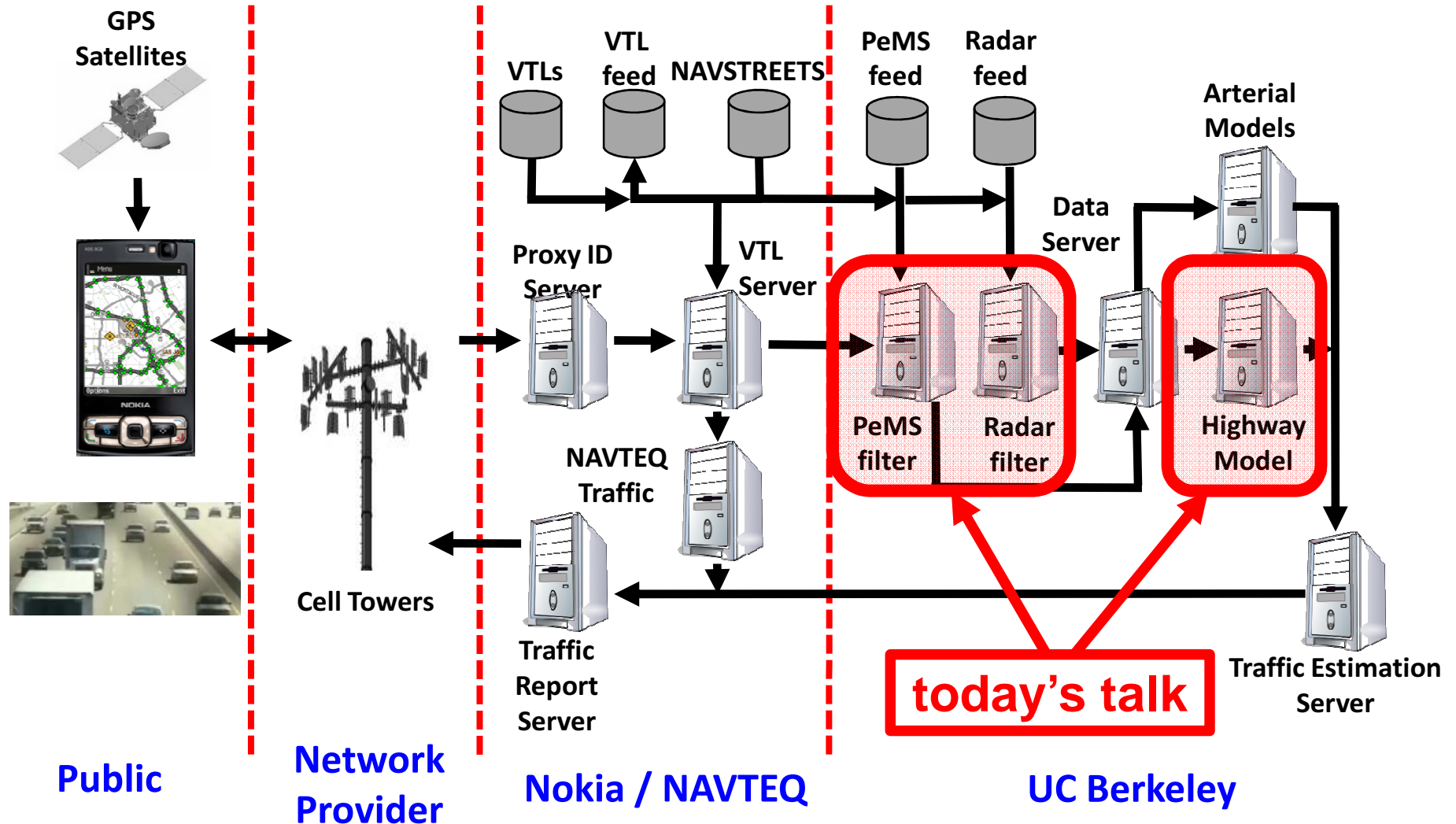
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# Architecture of the Mobile Millennium system



## Real time traffic information system:

- more than 2 million data points a day (from the fixed infrastructure)
- more than 500 000 data points a day (from mobile sensing)
- more than 200 GB of data (cumulated)



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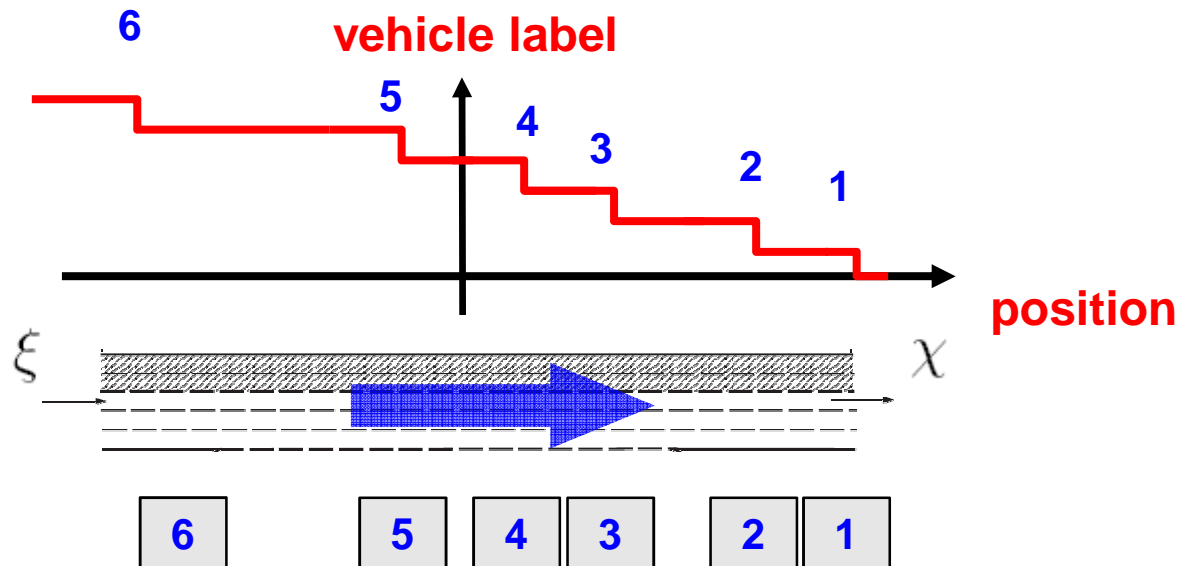
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# Problem description: state definition

## System: highway section

The state of the system is described by the Moskowitz function  $M(t,x)$ .

- We attribute consecutive labels  $n$  to the vehicles entering a stretch of highway
- The Moskowitz function is a continuous function satisfying  $M(t,x)=n$

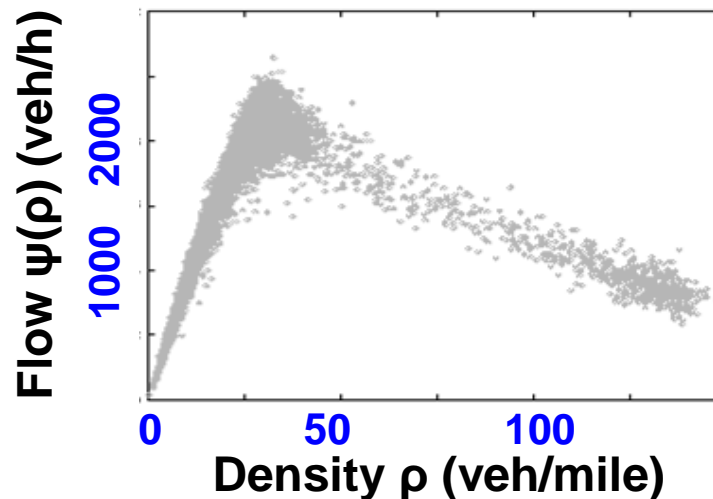


# Model: Hamilton-Jacobi PDE

The Moskowitz function satisfies the following Hamilton-Jacobi (HJ) partial differential equation (PDE), which can be derived from the Lighthill-Whitham-Richards (LWR) PDE

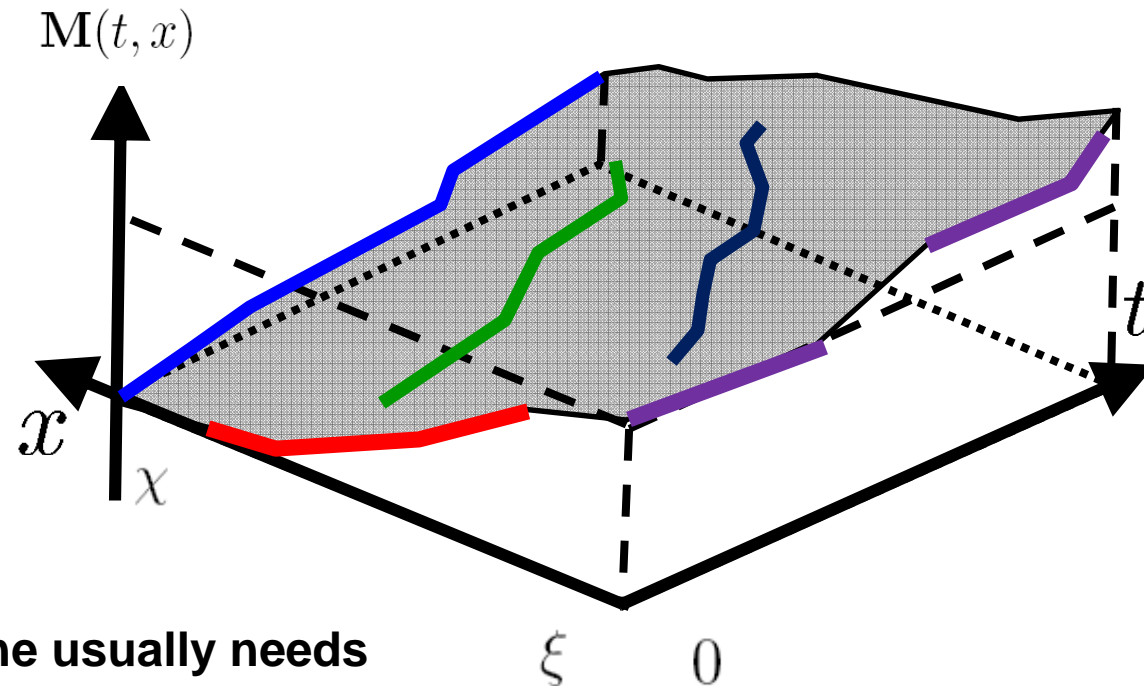
$$\frac{\partial M(t, x)}{\partial t} - \psi \left( -\frac{\partial M(t, x)}{\partial x} \right) = 0$$

The function  $\psi$  is a parameter of the HJ PDE known as “flux function”



Source: PeMS

# Data (boundary conditions)



To solve the PDE, one usually needs

- **Initial condition (satellite, camera)**
- **Upstream boundary condition (loop detector, radar)**
- **Downstream boundary condition (loop detector, radar)**

They are not always known, but we can use in addition:

- **Internal condition 1 (cellphone, taxi, fleet, aftermarket device)**
- **Internal condition 2 (cellphone, taxi, fleet, aftermarket device)**



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# Model solution procedure

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- Input:**      **data (with error bounds), model parameter**
- STEP 1:**      Define the proper mathematical solution to the PDE using control theory
- STEP 2:**      Express the boundary conditions by piecewise affine (PWA) functions
- STEP 3:**      Express the solutions to the HJ PDE as semi-analytic functions
- STEP 4:**      Derive the model compatibility conditions as a set of inequality constraints
- STEP 5:**      Solve the problem numerically (LP, QP, GP)
- Output:**      **possible traffic states compatible with the model and the data**

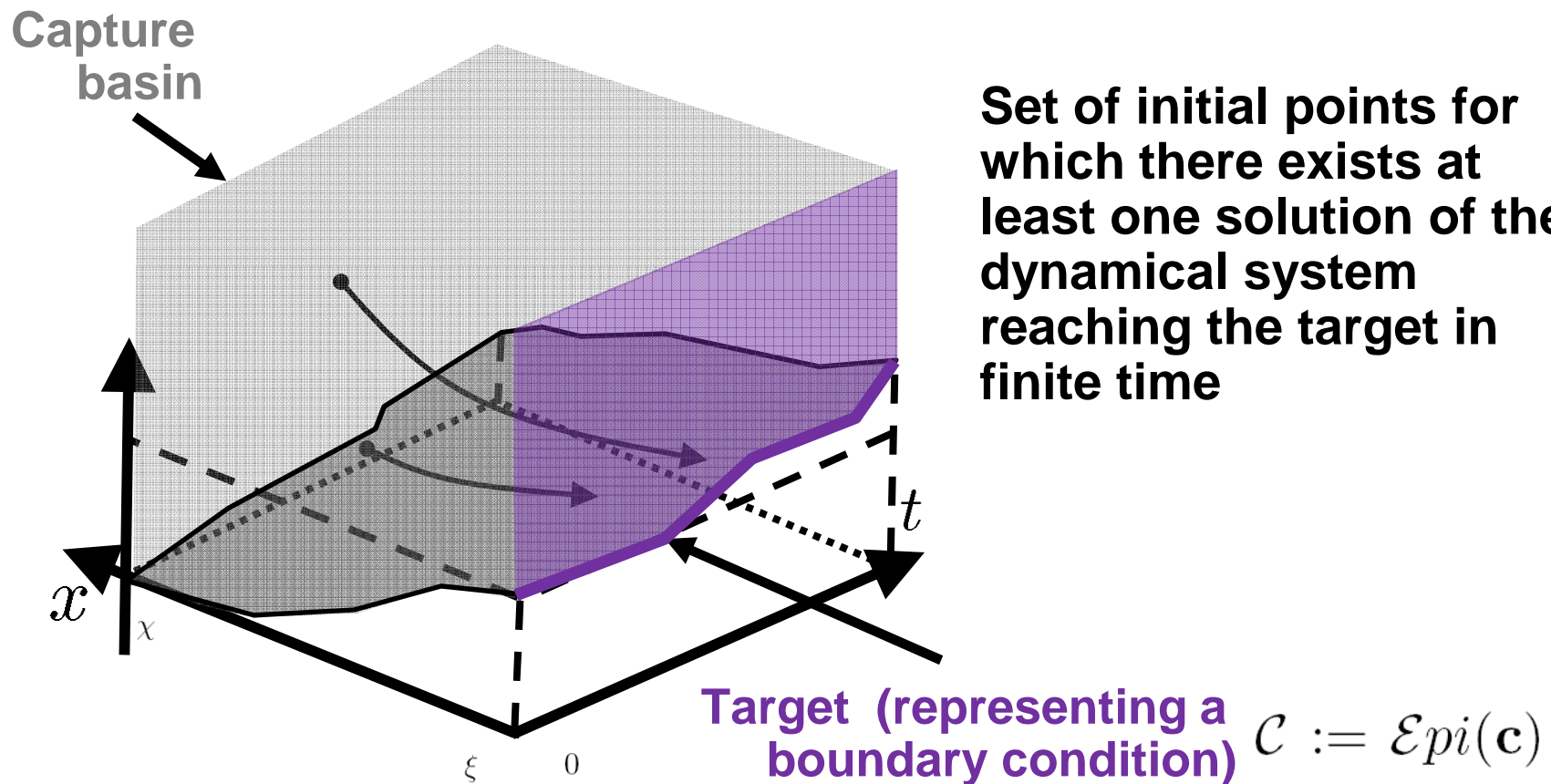


# STEP 1: Mathematical solution procedure

## Control theoretic definition of the solution to the HJ PDE

### Capture basin of a target:

Set of initial points for which there exists at least one solution of the dynamical system reaching the target in finite time

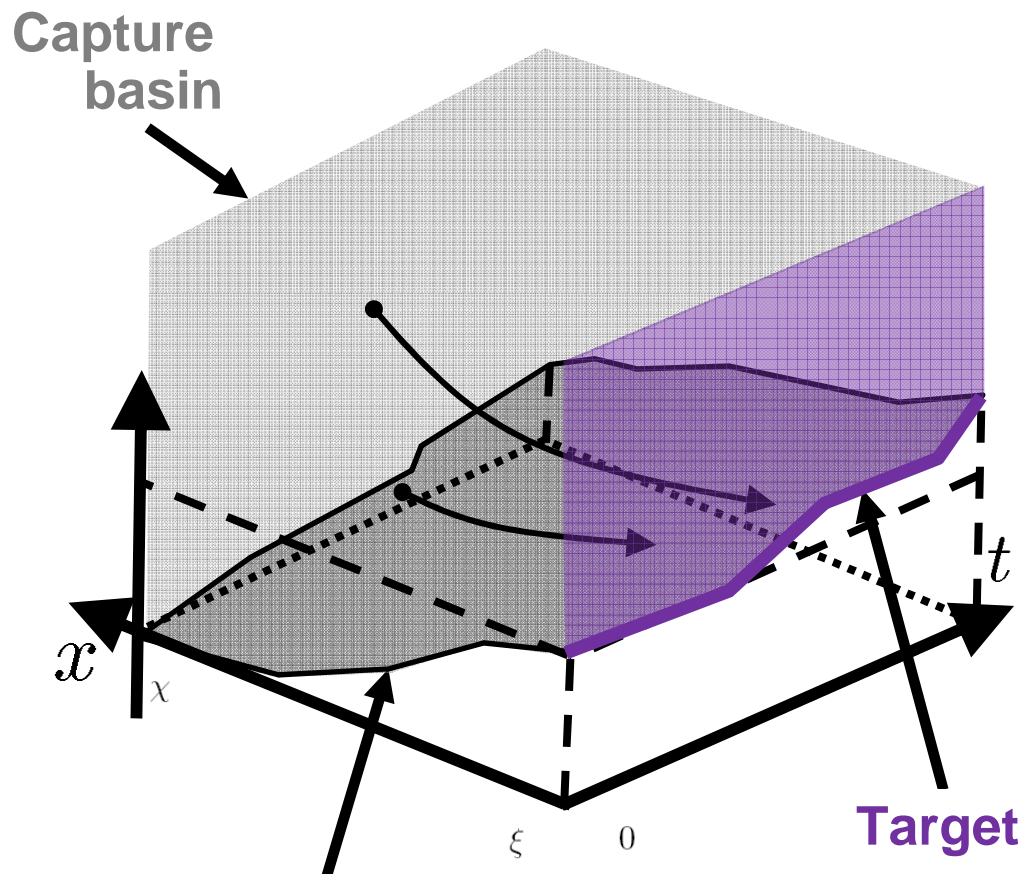


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### Tangential property:

The lower envelope of the capture basin solves the Hamilton-Jacobi PDE in the Barron-Jensen/Frankowska sense

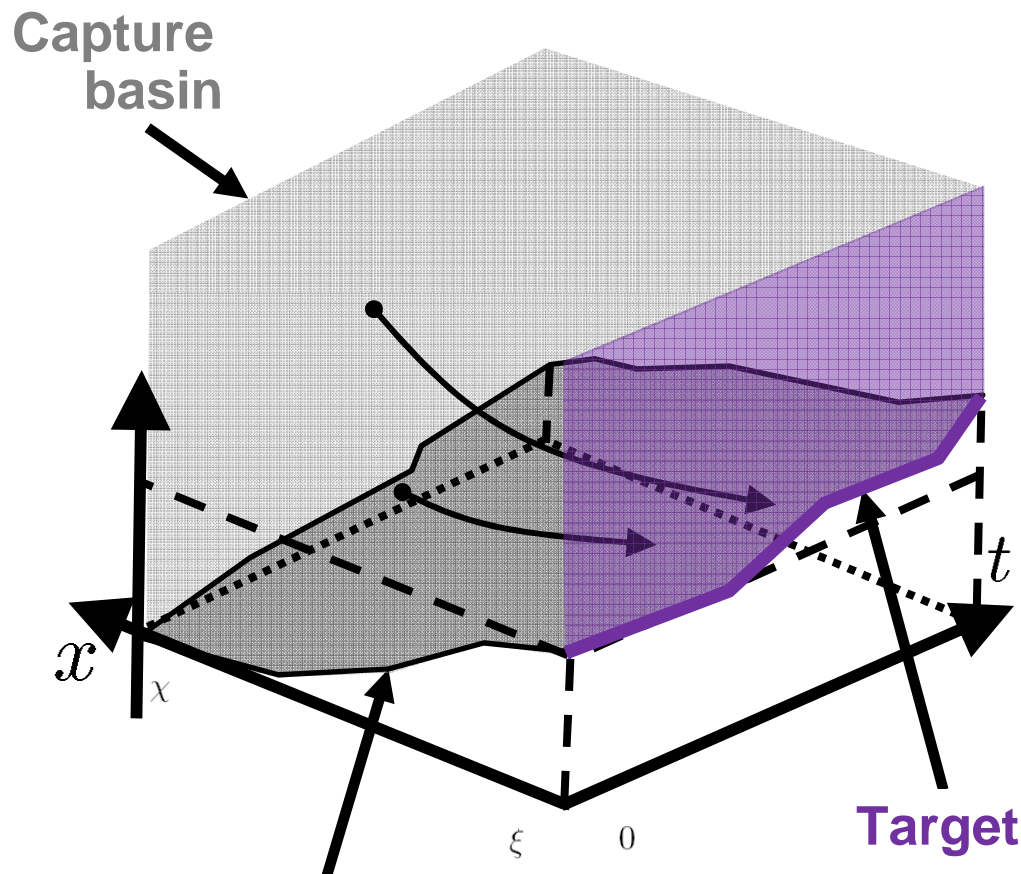


Solution to the HJ PDE

[Crandall, Evans, Lions 84], [Aubin 91], [Aubin, Bayen Saint-Pierre 08]

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Solution to the HJ PDE

Data (from sensors)



Boundary conditions



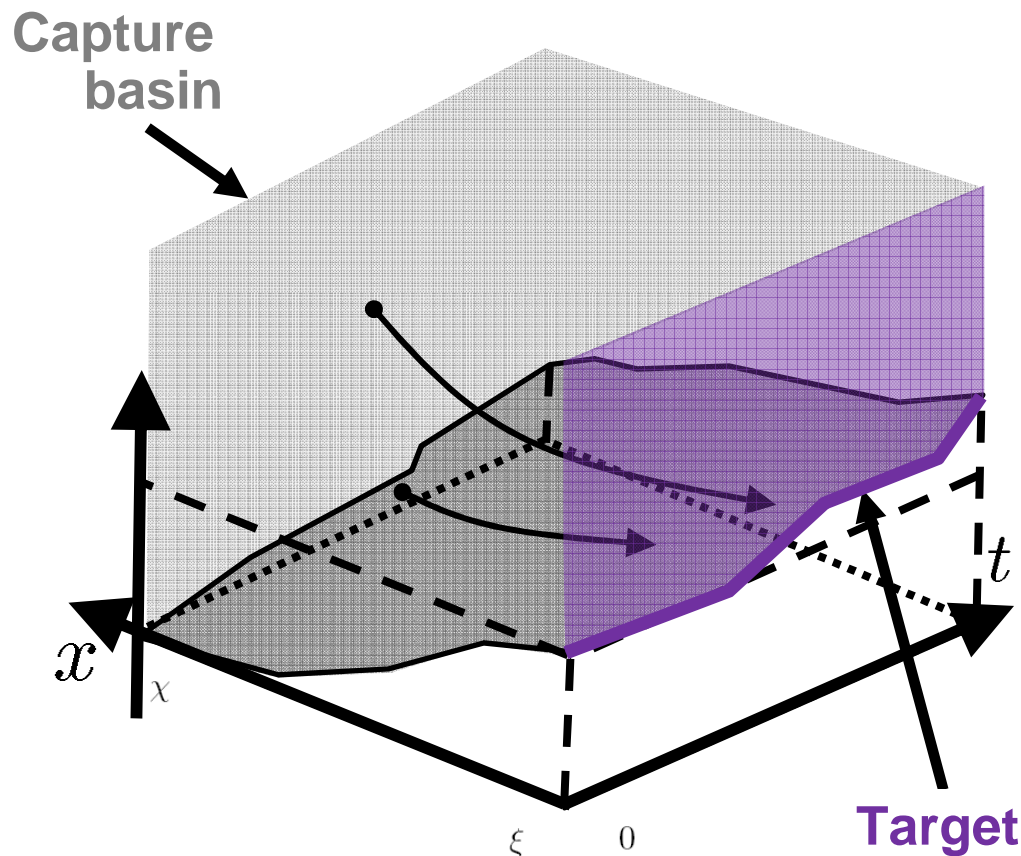
Solve the HJ PDE with these boundary conditions



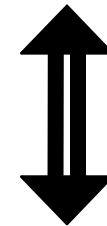
Solution to the HJ PDE may (or may not) satisfy all the prescribed boundary conditions

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A set of **boundary conditions** is compatible with the **model**

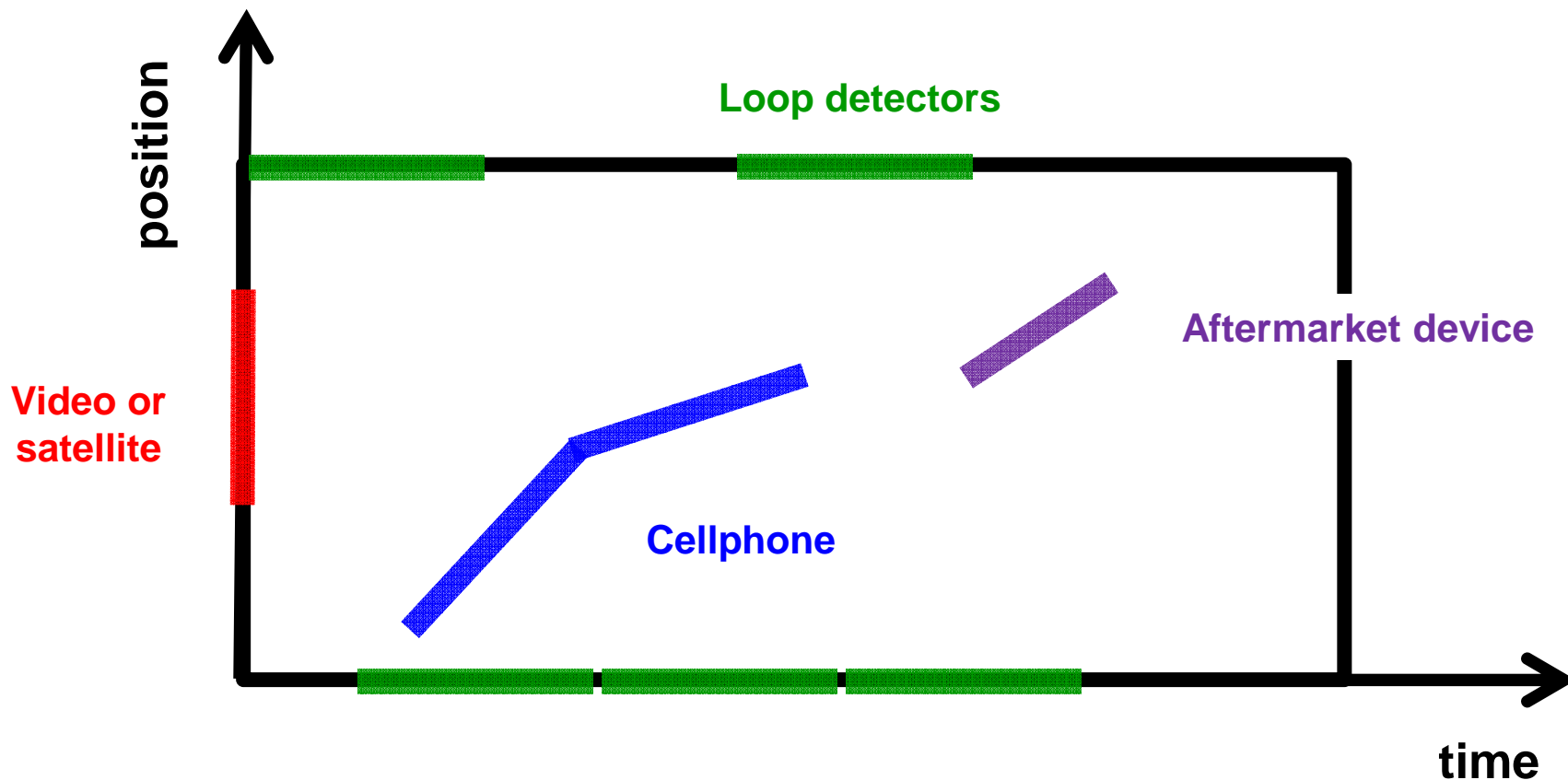


There exists a solution to the **HJ PDE** satisfying **all the boundary conditions**



## STEP 2: express the data as PWA functions

The data generated by mobile phones or fixed detectors corresponds to a set of piecewise affine initial, boundary or internal conditions



[Clausel, Bayen, ACC 10 (accepted)], [Clausel, Bayen, SIAM SICON 10 (in review)]

# STEP 3: develop a fast semi-analytical scheme

- Standard schemes:
  - Lax-Friedrichs
  - Dynamic programming
  - Level set methods

- For piecewise affine initial, boundary and internal boundary conditions, the solution to the HJ PDE is the minimum of closed-form expression functions

## Advantages:

- Exact
- Faster

**Example:** solution the HJ PDE associated with an affine internal condition

$$u_p(v_l, g_l) \in -\partial_+ \psi(\rho_p(v_l, g_l)), \quad p \in \{1, 2\}$$

$$T_p(t, x, v_l, g_l) := \begin{cases} \frac{x_l + v_l(t - \bar{\delta}_l) - x}{u_p(v_l, g_l) + v_l} & \text{if } u_p(v_l, g_l) \neq -v_l \\ +\infty & \text{if } u_p(v_l, g_l) = -v_l \end{cases}$$

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# STEP 3: develop a fast semi-analytical scheme

Intermediate computation

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Model parameter

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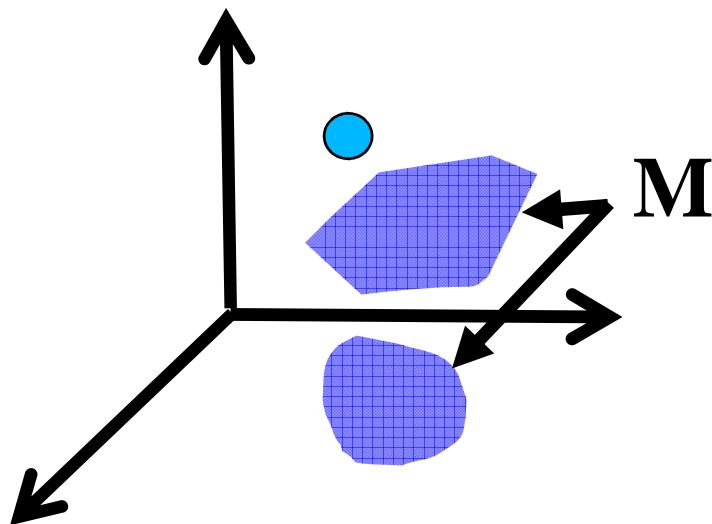
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Coefficients of the affine internal condition

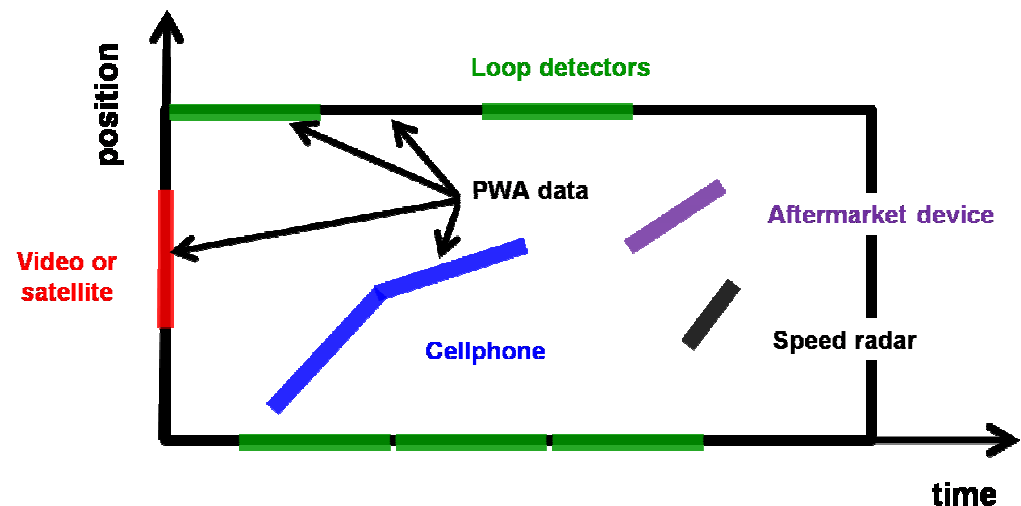
## STEP 4: compatibility conditions as convex inequalities



**Problem:** how can we check quickly if a set of coefficients (of PWA boundary conditions) satisfies the model?



Coefficients of the PWA boundary conditions



# STEP 4: compatibility conditions as convex inequalities



Depends on the boundary condition coefficients

Checking that there exists a solution to the Hamilton-Jacobi PDE amounts to checking that a set of convex inequalities is satisfied

Explicit solutions to the HJ PDE (depend on boundary condition coefficients and model parameter)

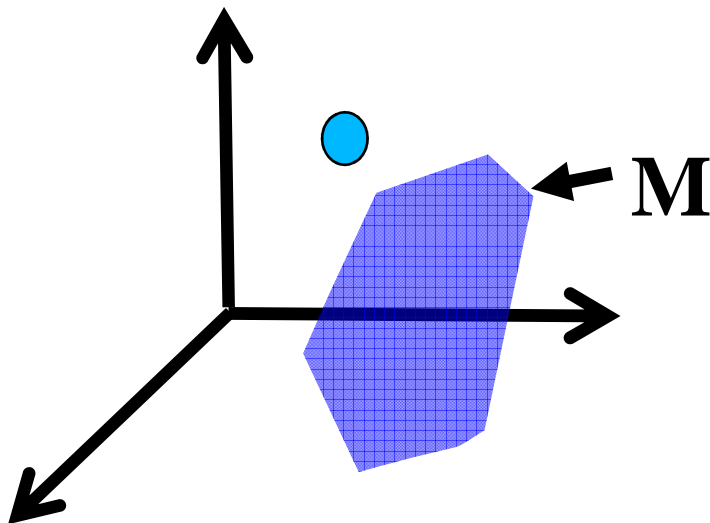
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- (iii)  $M_{M_{0,i}}(t, \xi) \geq c_j t + d_j$   
 $\forall t \in [\bar{\gamma}_j, \bar{\gamma}_{j+1}], \forall j \in J, \forall i \in I$
- (iv)  $M_{M_{0,i}}(t, \chi) \geq e_k t + f_k$   
 $\forall t \in [\bar{\beta}_k, \bar{\beta}_{k+1}], \forall k \in K, \forall i \in I$
- (v)  $M_{\gamma_j}(t, \chi) \geq e_k t + f_k$   
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 $\forall t \in [\bar{\delta}_{p_l}, \bar{\delta}_{p_l+1}], \forall l \in L_p, \forall p \in P, \forall j \in J$
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- (xii)  $M_{\mu_{q_m}}(t, v_{p_l}(t - \bar{\delta}_{p_l}) + x_{p_l}) \geq g_{p_l}(t - \bar{\delta}_{p_l}) + h_{p_l}$   
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 $\forall q \in P \setminus \{p\}$

## STEP 4: compatibility conditions as convex inequalities

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The inequalities defining the compatibility with the model are convex in terms of the parameters of the PWA conditions



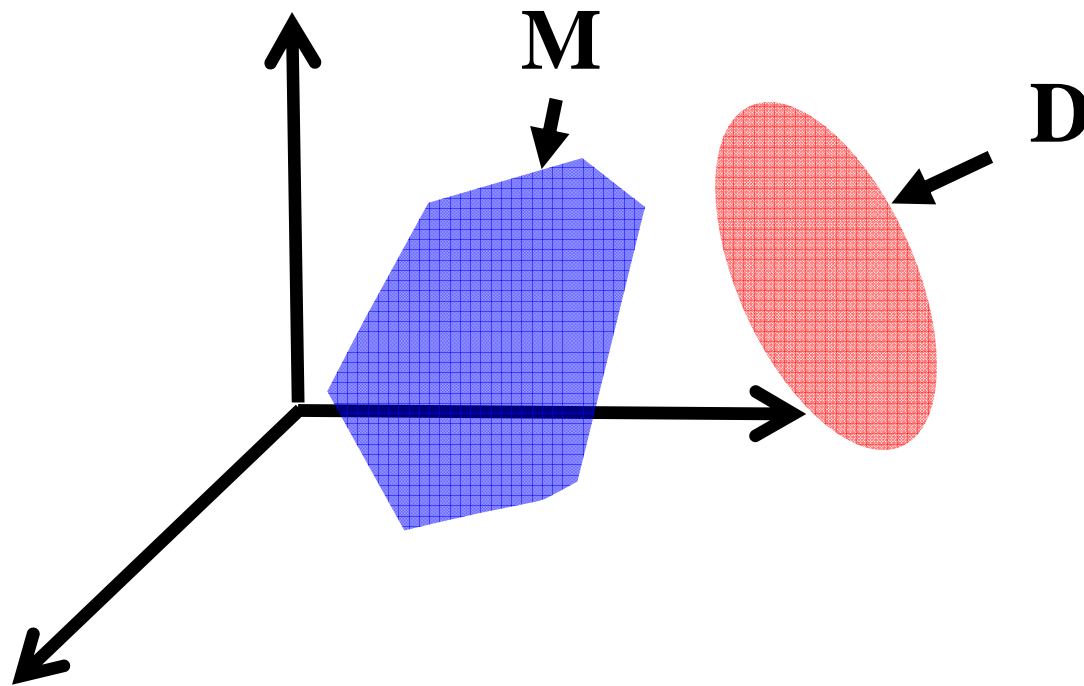
Coefficients of the PWA boundary conditions

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## STEP 5: implementation using convex programming

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The set of parameters of the PWA conditions that are compatible with the data is also convex (with usual error models)

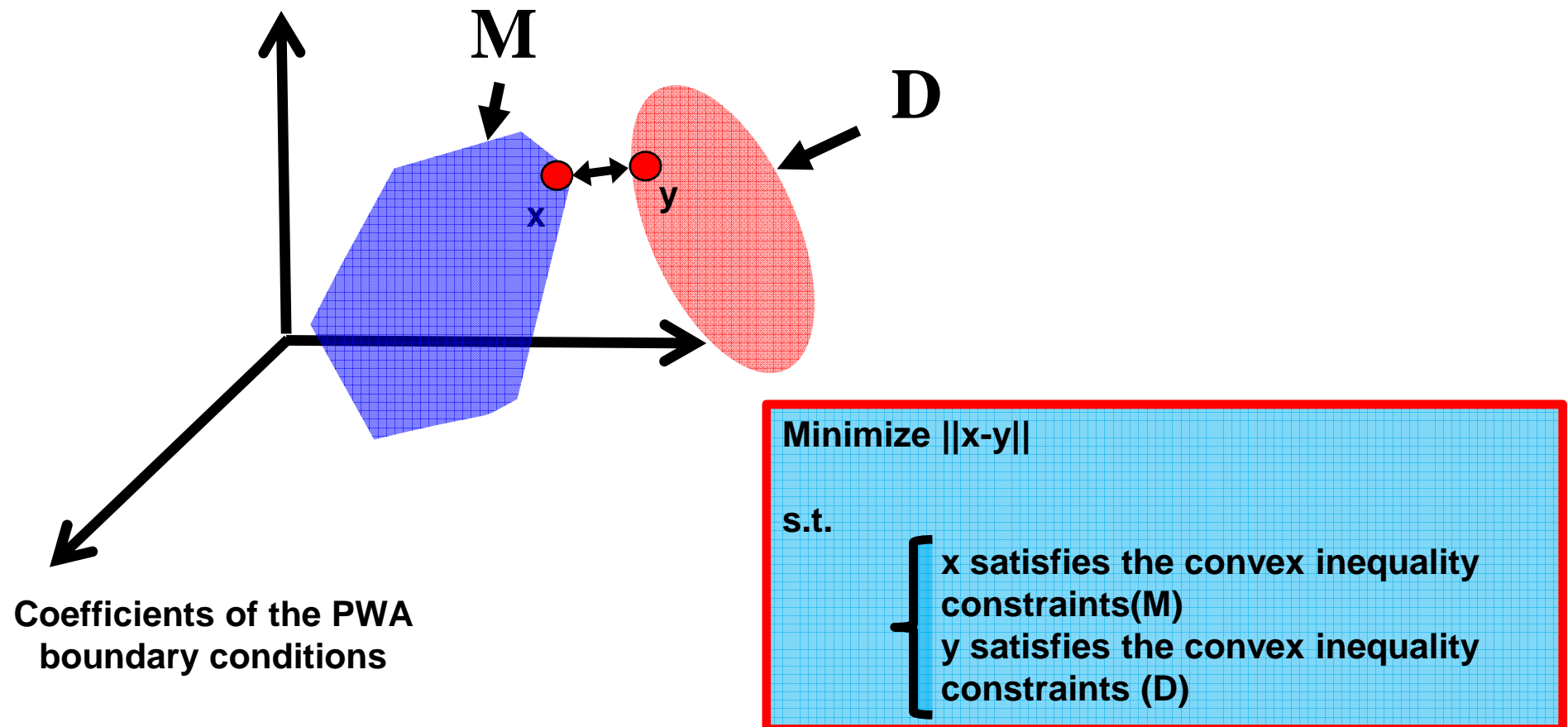


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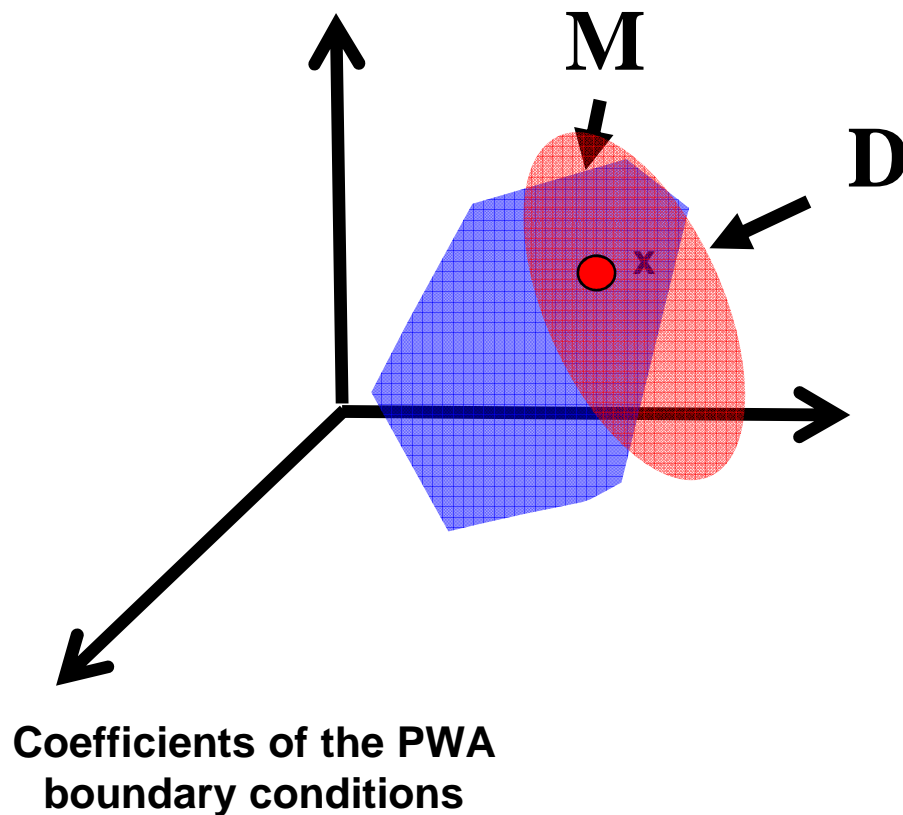
Data assimilation and reconciliation problems: finding the minimum distance between  $M$  and  $D$



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## STEP 5: implementation using convex programming

Bounds on PWA condition parameters (traffic parameters)  $x_i$



Minimize (or maximize)  $x_i$

s.t.

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x \text{ satisfies the convex inequality} \\ \text{constraints (M) and (D)} \end{array} \right.$



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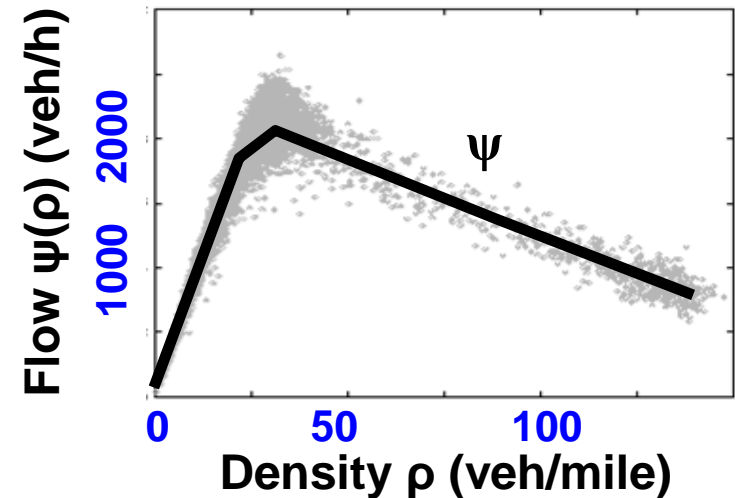
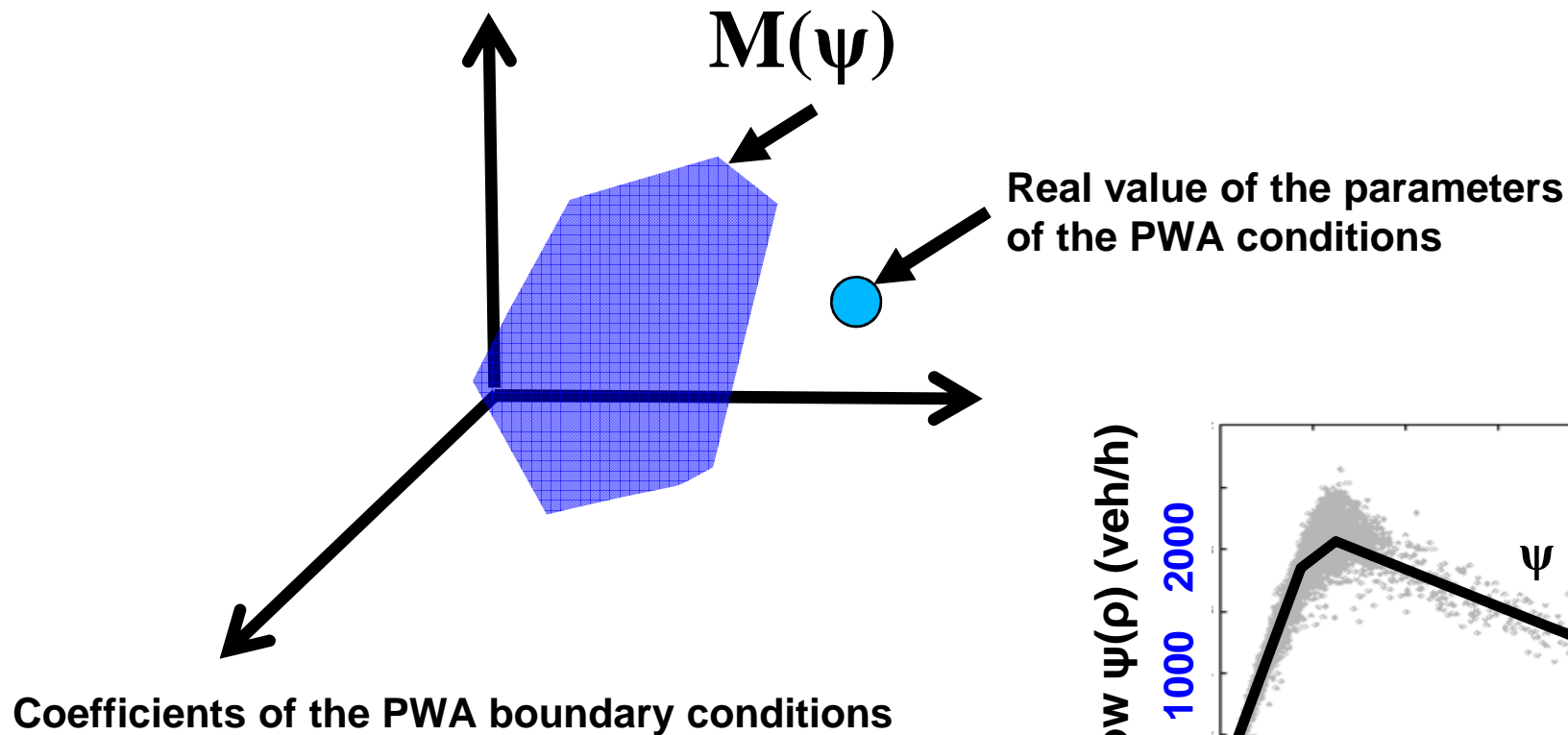
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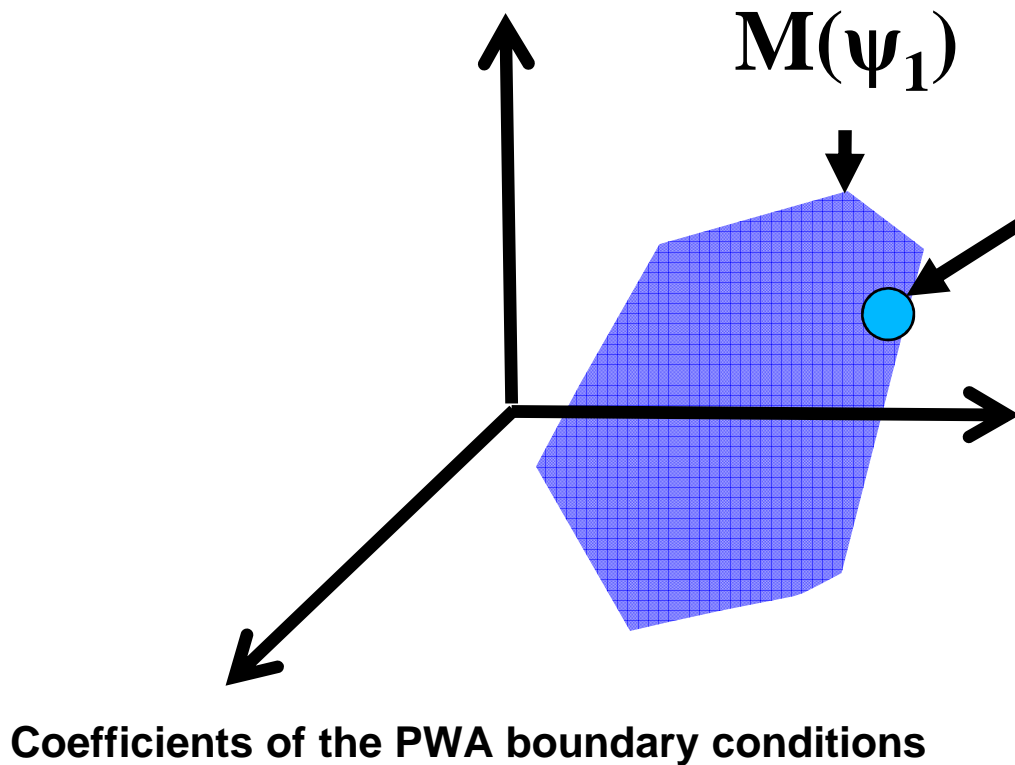
# Model parameter uncertainty

The model parameter  $\psi$  is usually uncertain. Nothing guarantees that real data solves the model exactly.

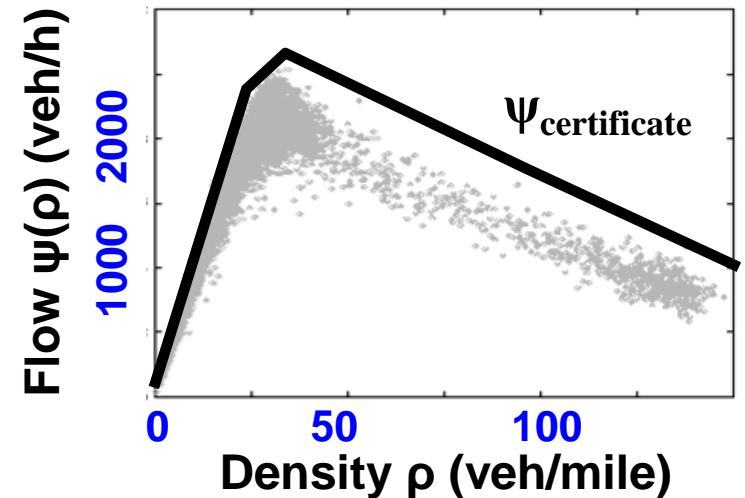


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The real value of the parameters is guaranteed to satisfy the HJ PDE, for a class of parameters  $\psi$

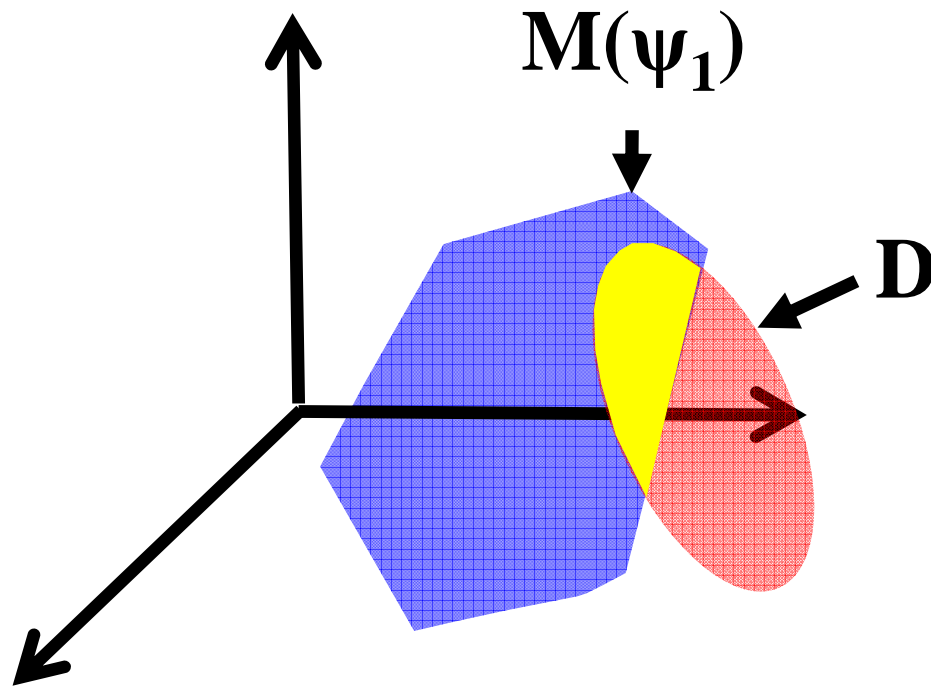


Real value of the parameters of the PWA conditions



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Guaranteed bounds  
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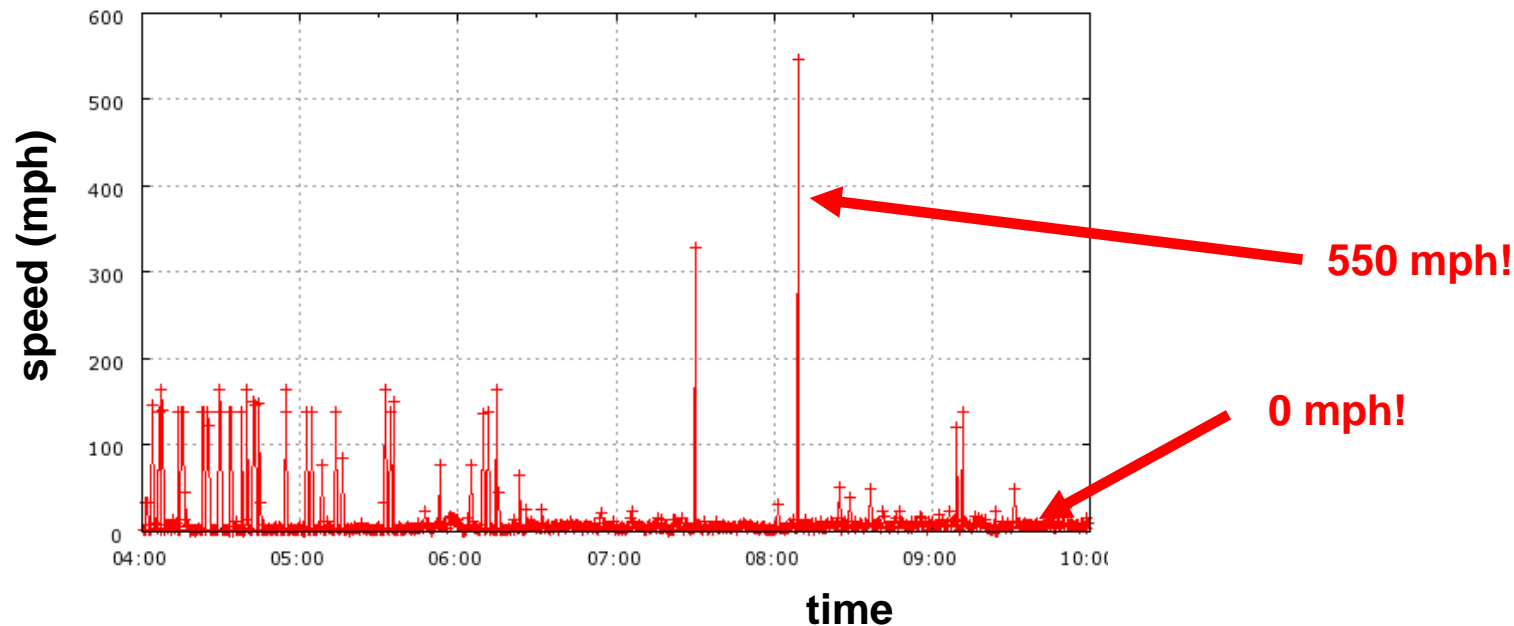
# Fault detection in sensor infrastructure

## PeMS loop detector network:

- 1200 sensors in the San Francisco Bay Area
- poor reliability (70% availability in average)
- detecting sensor failures is a big problem



Raw Data - 400498 (ML) Lane 3  
Segment Type: VDS, Segment Name: 400498  
05/04/2009 04:00:00 to 05/04/2009 10:00:59



[Claudel, Bayen, Allerton CCC 2009]

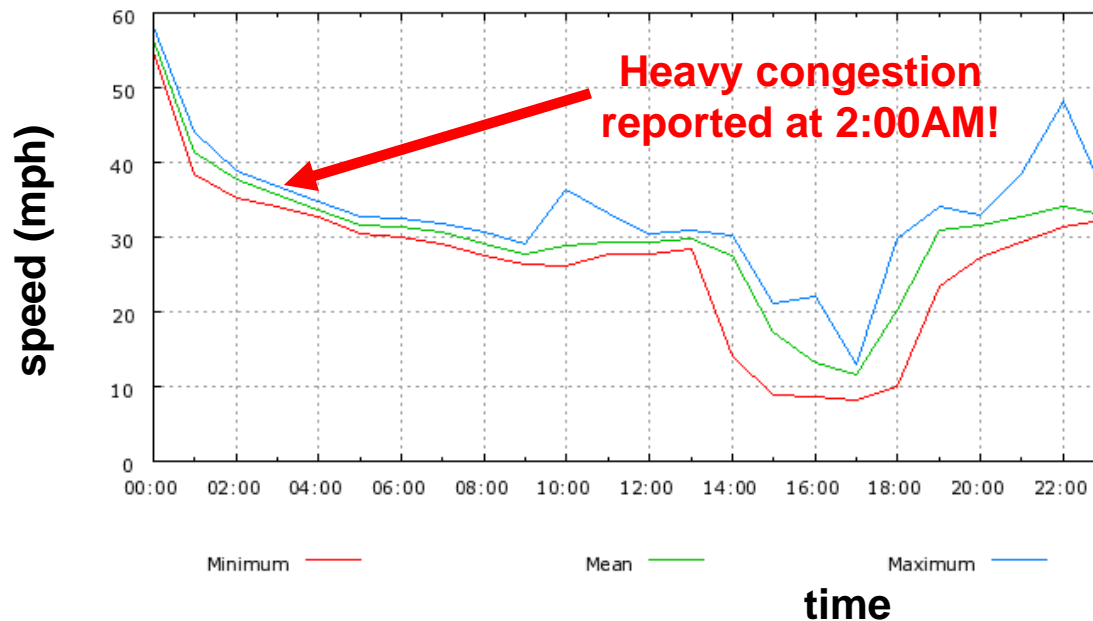
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Speed (mph)  
 15,060 Lane Points (75% Observed)  
 Segment Type: VDS, Segment Name: 400808  
 04/20/2009 00:00:00 to 05/04/2009 23:59:59 (Days=Mo,Tu,We,Th,Fr)



Status: good!

a > 100-E > 400808 (ML - 5 lanes) > Detector

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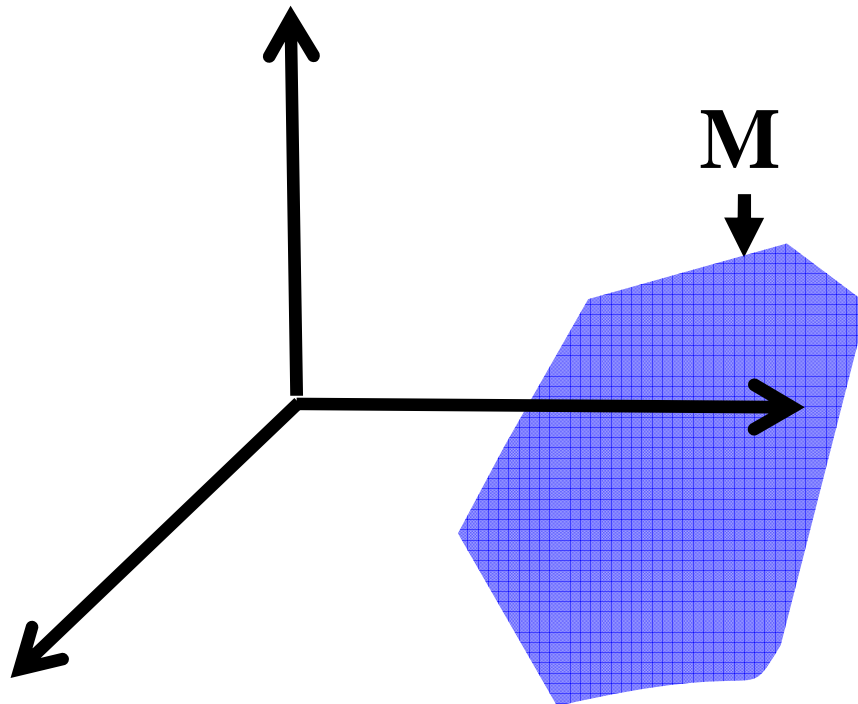
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Name	VDS	Type	Lane	Status	Recv'd	# S
Ashby Ave	400808	Mainline	1	Good	1,507	
Ashby Ave	400808	Mainline	2	Good	1,507	
Ashby Ave	400808	Mainline	3	Good	1,507	
Ashby Ave	400808	Mainline	4	Good	1,507	
Ashby Ave	400808	Mainline	5	Good	1,507	

# Fault detection in sensor infrastructure

## Model-based fault detection

Checking (on multiple sensors) that **model**, **data** and **sensor specifications (maximal error level)** are consistent



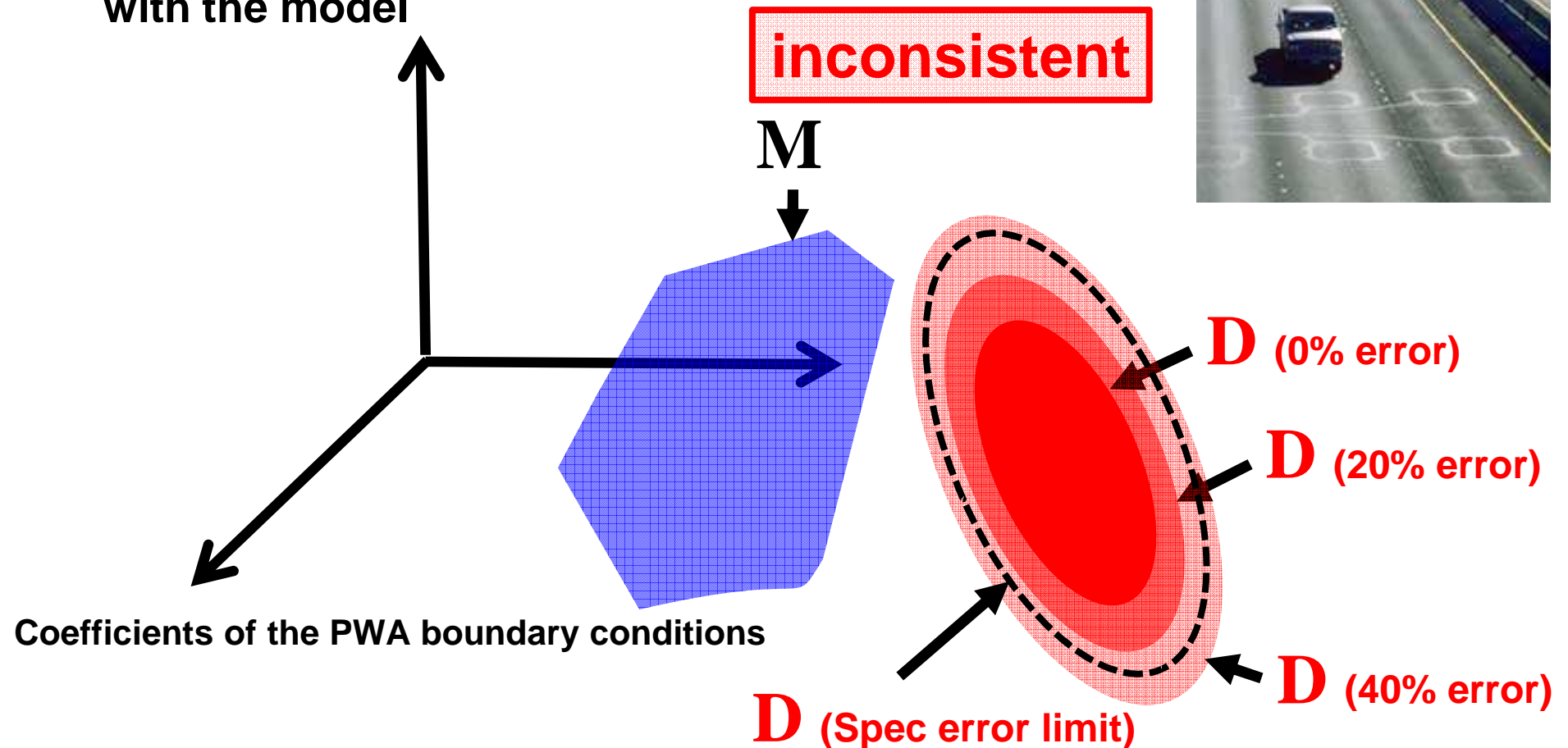
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## Minimal error certificates:

What is the minimal possible relative error of both sensors so that the data is consistent with the model

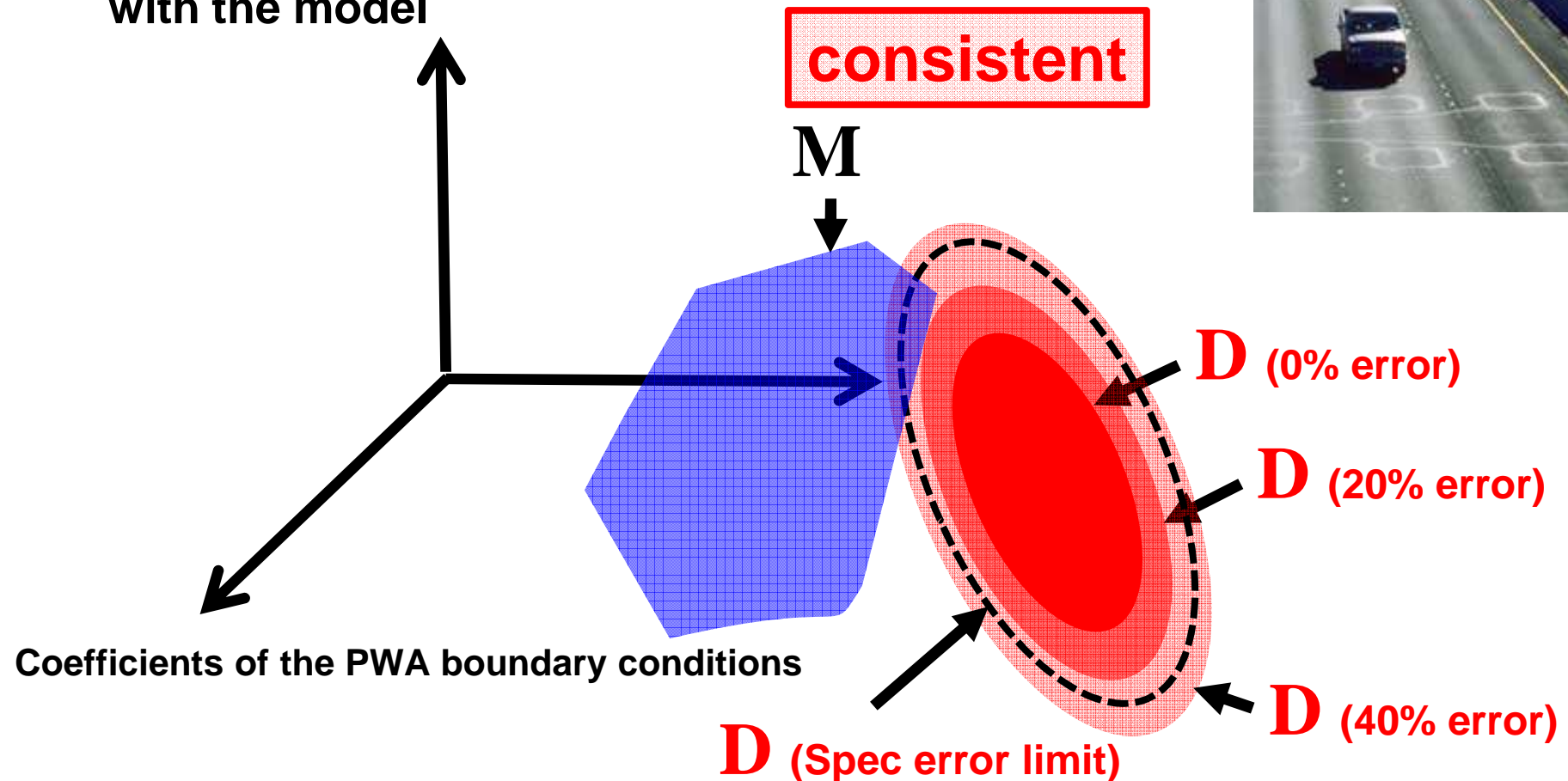




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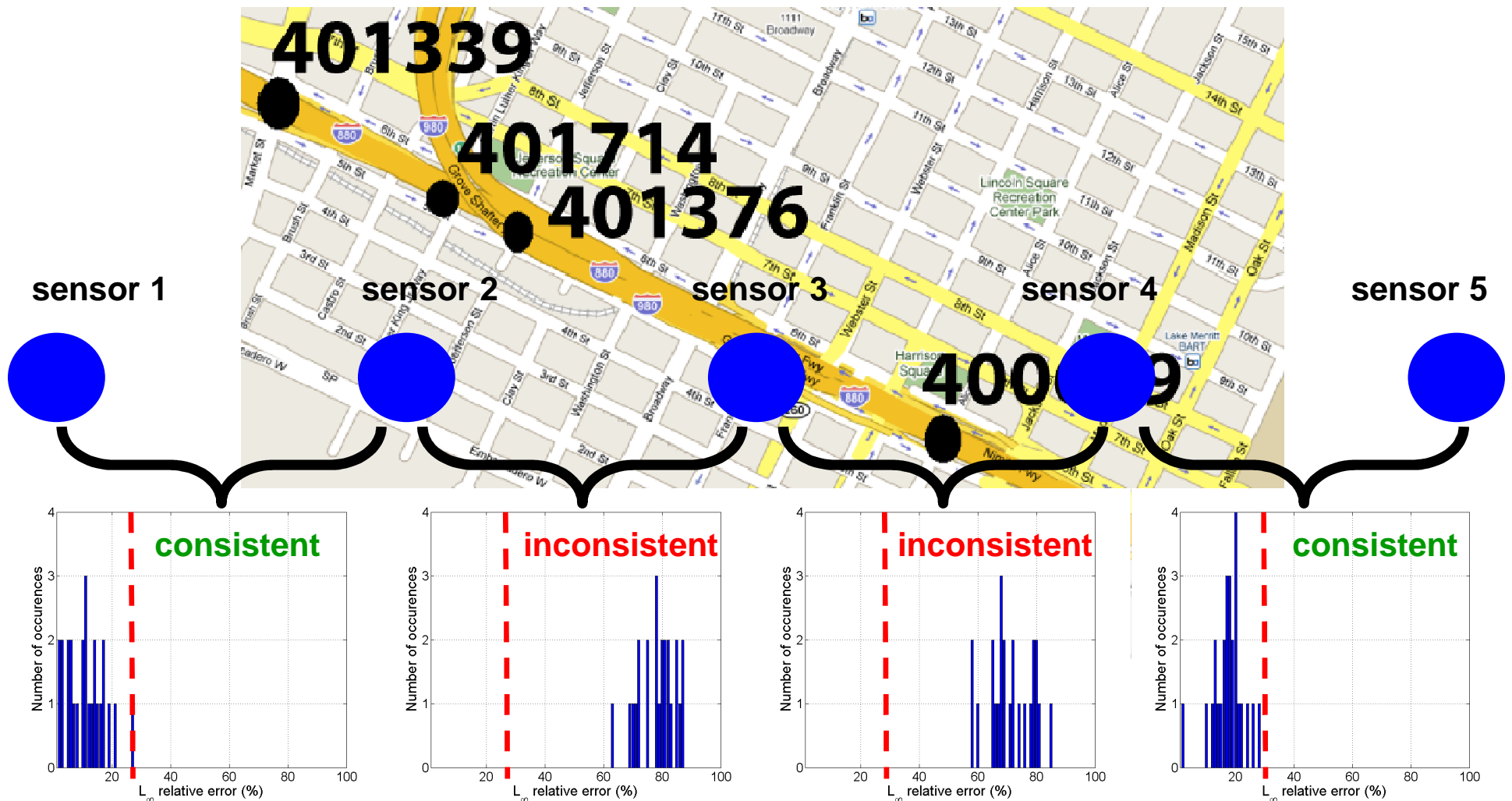
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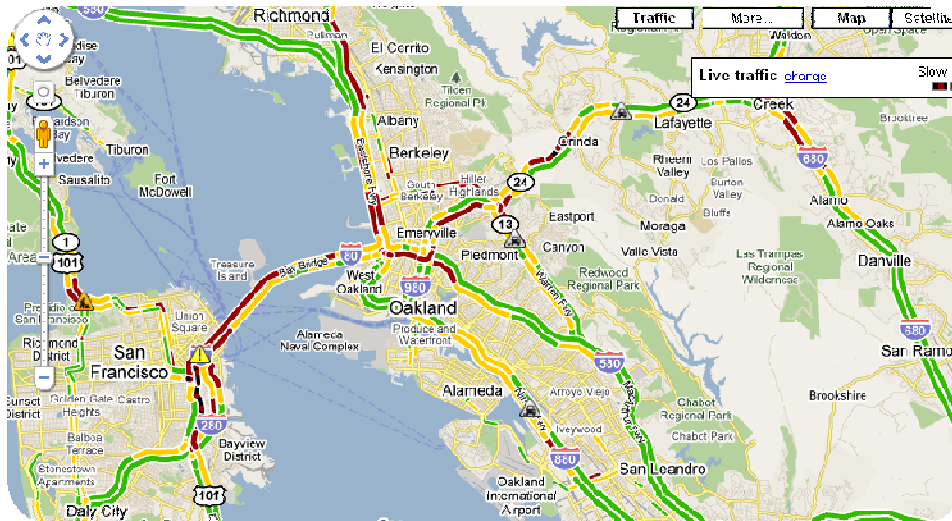
# Google Maps vs. HJ PDE

## Setup:

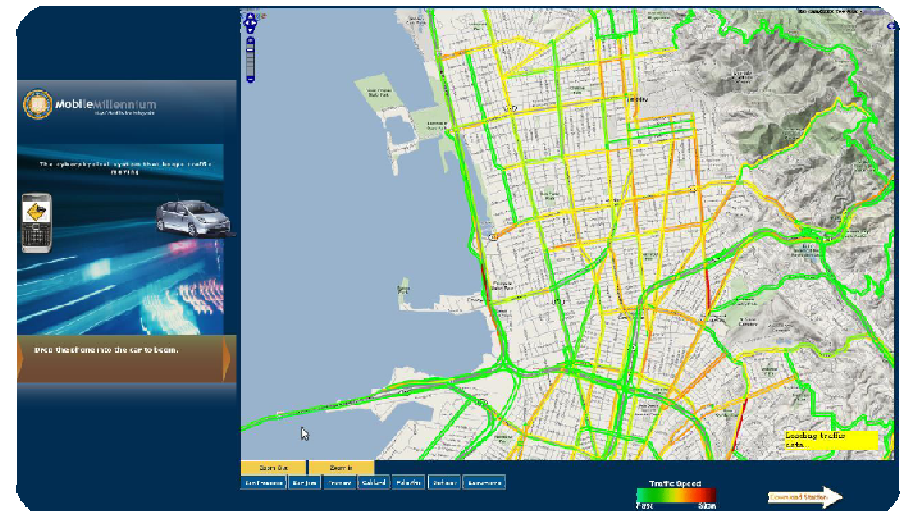
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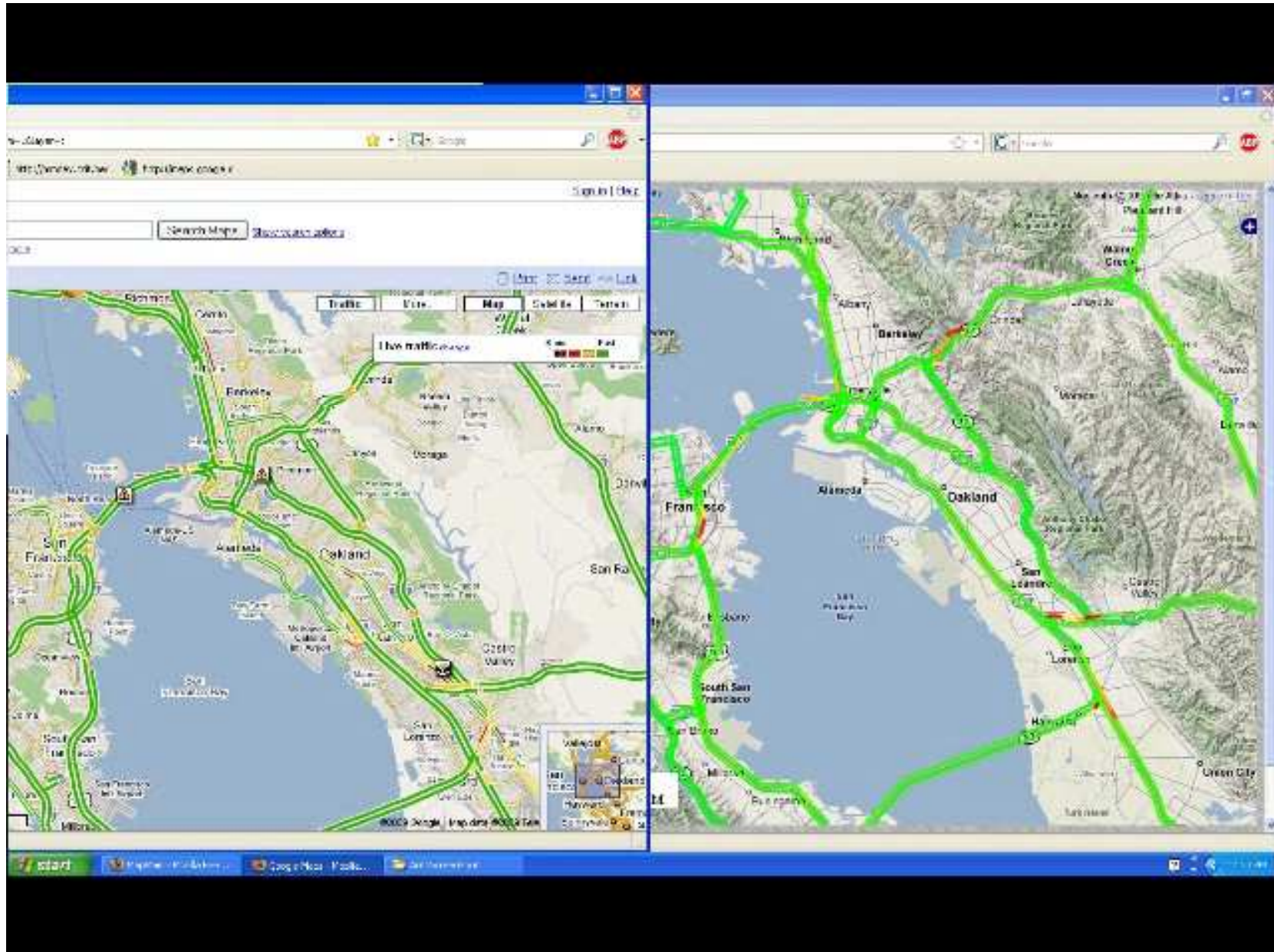
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**Transformation of an estimation problem involving a nonsmooth, nonlinear PDE into a convex optimization problem: efficient way of integrating the model constraints into the estimation problem**

**Can be used for different applications (not showed here), including:**

- data assimilation**
- data reconciliation**
- security analysis**
- user privacy analysis**