Quality Transport Planning

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## The Story Begins...

- Back in 2014, presented to MUGS on model measures adopted in TMDG and formerly in EEM...
- ...Presented an interpretation of three measures, questioned their applicability to model vs count comparisons and suggested some improvements...


## 2014 Presentation Conclusions

- Is GnT a better indicator of potential issues with models than GFH ?
- Is $R^{2}$ appropriate to our purpose or should this be modified?
- \%RMSE not intuitive and of dubious value. Suggest replacing with \%MAD
- Preference is to investigate \& document reasons for all significant model vs. data discrepancies prior to and after any ME, rather than focussing on achieving a raft of arbitrary criteria.


## The Story Begins...

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- ...Most in presentat with some statistics...



## The Story Continues...

- My first involvement was around 2015...
- ...and then between 2016 and 2018 in refining the model...
- Key Features:
- 3 Step SATURN Model
- Trip generation based on linear regression of 'similar' WTSM zone demands to population, employment types and school role
- Lights and Heavies Trip Ends estimated separately
- Trip Distribution based on a simple gravity model
- Subject to constrained ME
- In mine (and the Peer Reviewer's) view the enhanced model was genorally fit for its intended purpose.
- In 2019, the local authority expressed an interest in further refining the model to be able to apply it for general transport planning purposes within their District
- Hence for the model update in 2020, scope included considering the benefits of segmentation of the demand model to include purposebased demands



## Non-Segmented Demands

|  <br> Direction | Population | Jobs |  |  | School <br> Roll |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Health | Other |  |  |
| AM_L Frm | 0.12 | 0.77 | 0.34 | 0.21 | 0.16 |
| AM_L To | 0.02 | 1.86 | 0.97 | 0.42 | 0.16 |

- 'Trip Rates’ Initially based on linear regression of peak Light \& Heavy demands vs demographics for 'similar' WTSM model zones
- Example Trip Rates for AM Peak Hour
- Some small adjustments during model validation and consideration of TDB trip rates and other models
- Simple gravity model applied to resulting zonal trip ends
- Comparison to impedance function parameters used in other models
- Trip length validation / calibration against very limited MoT HH travel surveys for the District
- Multi-class assignments - Lights (all) \& Heavies


## Non-Segmented Assignments



- Reasonable validation of flows to counts ( $\mathrm{R}^{2} \sim 0.89$ )
- Demands subject to subsequent constrained ME


## The Concern...

- Arising from Peer Review, main concern was around trip distribution
- Could, for example, actual location of Home to Work trips (suburbs to CBD) be inaccurately occurring for, say, work to work locations?
- Could some Home to Work trips be distributed as locations of Home to Home trips ?


## Initial Thinking...

- Highly simplified reflection of Model to consider implications of 'all-purpose' light-vehicle trips on trip distribution



## Segmentation to Quasi-Purposes

- Trip generation regression analysis identified 5 variables:
- Population
- Retail Jobs
- Health Jobs
- Other (General) Jobs
- School Roll
- Why not use these as the basis of trip types or 'quasipurposes'?
- Population ~ Home-based trips
- Retail Jobs ~ Shopping trips (but include employees)
- Health Jobs ~ all Health-related trips (including employees)
- General Jobs ~ Work trips (except retail and health workers)
- School Roll ~ Education trips (excluding employees)


## Segmentation: What We Need



## Segmentation: Constrained Guesstimates

| Estimate Proportions From |  |  | Shops | Health | Educ'n |  | Tot |  | Initial Trips Based on Froms |  |  |  | Educ'n | Tot |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AM From | Home | Work |  |  |  |  |  |  | Home | Work | Shops | Health |  |  |
| Home | 5\% | 50\% | 15\% | 10\% | 20\% | 100\% | 0.12 |  | 151 | 1514 | 454 | 303 | 605 | 3027 |
| Work | 19\% | 50\% | 15\% | 15\% | 1\% | 100\% | 0.21 |  | 278 | 731 | 219 | 219 | 15 | 1462 |
| Shops | 4\% | 45\% | 45\% | 5\% | 1\% | 100\% | 0.77 |  | 23 | 263 | 263 | 29 | 6 | 584 |
| Health | 28\% | 35\% | 1\% | 35\% | 1\% | 100\% | 0.34 |  | 94 | 118 | 3 | 118 | 3 | 337 |
| Educ'n | 10\% | 50\% | 20\% | 10\% | 10\% | 100\% | 0.16 |  | 49 | 217 | 99 | 49 | 49 | 494 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 596 | (2872) | 1038 | 719 | 679 | 5904 |
| Estimate Pr | oportions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Initial Tri | ips Based | on To's |  |  |  |
| AM To | Home | Work | Shops | Health | ducatio |  |  |  | Home | Work | Shops | Health | Educ'n |  |
| Home | 20\% | 55\% | 44\% | 50\% | 87\% |  |  |  | 114 | 1592 | 618 | 479 | 429 | 3233 |
| Work | 50\% | 20\% | 25\% | 20\% | 1\% |  |  |  | 284 | 579 | 351 | 192 | 5 | 1412 |
| Shops | 5\% | 10\% | 20\% | 5\% | 1\% |  |  |  | 28 | 290 | 281 | 48 | 5 | 652 |
| Health | 15\% | 5\% | 1\% | 15\% | 1\% |  |  |  | 85 | 145 | 14 | 144 | 5 | 393 |
| Educ'n | 10\% | 10\% | 10\% | 10\% | 10\% |  |  |  | 57 | 290 | 141 | 96 | 49 | 632 |
|  | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |  |  | Tot | 569 | 2895 | 1406 | 959 | 494 | 6322 |
| Tot | 0.02 | 0.42 | 1.86 | 0.97 | 0.16 |  |  |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |

## Segmentation "Bung it in the Furness"

| Estimate Proportions From |  |  | Shops | Health | Educ'n |  | Post-Furness Proportions From |  |  |  | Health | Educ'n |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AM From | Home | Work |  |  |  |  | AM From | Home | Work | Shops |  |  |  |
| Home | 5\% | 50\% | 15\% | 10\% | 20\% | 100\% | Home | 4\% | 49\% | 19\% | 14\% | 14\% | 100\% |
| Work | 19\% | 50\% | 15\% | 15\% | 1\% | 100\% | Work | 18\% | 44\% | 22\% | 16\% | 1\% | 100\% |
| Shops | 4\% | 45\% | 45\% | 5\% | 1\% | 100\% | Shops | 4\% | 42\% | 47\% | 7\% | 1\% | 100\% |
| Health | 28\% | 35\% | 1\% | 35\% | 1\% | 100\% | Health | 23\% | 34\% | 3\% | 39\% | 1\% | 100\% |
| Educ'n | 10\% | 50\% | 20\% | 10\% | 10\% | 100\% | Educ'n | 9\% | 46\% | 24\% | 14\% | 7\% | 100\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimate P | portions |  |  |  |  |  | Post-Furne | Proport | ons To |  |  |  |  |
| AM To | Home | Work | Shops | Health | Educ'n |  | AM To | Home | Work | Shops | Health | Educ'n |  |
| Home | 20\% | 55\% | 44\% | 50\% | 87\% |  | Home | 23\% | 55\% | 45\% | 48\% | 89\% |  |
| Work | 50\% | 20\% | 25\% | 20\% | 1\% |  | Work | 50\% | 24\% | 24\% | 26\% | 2\% |  |
| Shops | 5\% | 10\% | 20\% | 5\% | 1\% |  | Shops | 4\% | 9\% | 21\% | 4\% | 1\% |  |
| Health | 15\% | 5\% | 1\% | 15\% | 1\% |  | Health | 15\% | 4\% | 1\% | 15\% | 1\% |  |
| Educ'n | 10\% | 10\% | 10\% | 10\% | 10\% |  | Educ'n | 8\% | 8\% | 9\% | 8\% | 8\% |  |
|  | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |  |  | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |  |

## Resulting Quasi-Purpose Trip Rates

Furnessed Segmented Trip Rates

| AM From | Home | Work | Shops | Health | Education |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Home | 0.005 | 0.061 | 0.024 | 0.018 | 0.017 | $\mathbf{0 . 1 2}$ |
| Work | 0.038 | 0.092 | 0.046 | 0.033 | 0.001 | $\mathbf{0 . 2 1}$ |
| Shops | 0.029 | 0.321 | 0.365 | 0.051 | 0.005 | $\mathbf{0 . 7 7}$ |
| Health | 0.078 | 0.117 | 0.009 | 0.133 | 0.003 | $\mathbf{0 . 3 4}$ |
| Educatio | 0.014 | 0.074 | 0.038 | 0.023 | 0.011 | $\mathbf{0 . 1 6}$ |


| AM To | Home | Work | Shops | Health | Education |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Home | 0.005 | 0.229 | 0.834 | 0.459 | 0.143 |
| Work | 0.012 | 0.099 | 0.454 | 0.247 | 0.003 |
| Shops | 0.001 | 0.038 | 0.391 | 0.042 | 0.001 |
| Health | 0.003 | 0.018 | 0.013 | 0.143 | 0.001 |
| Educatior | 0.002 | 0.035 | 0.166 | 0.076 | 0.012 |
|  | $\mathbf{0 . 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 4 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 8 6}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1 6}$ |

## Quasi-Purpose Os and Ds

$\therefore$ QTP

| Purpose: | 1 |  | 2 |  | 3 |  | 4 |  | 5 |  | 6 |  | 7 |  | 8 |  | 9 |  | 10 |  | 11 |  | 12 |  |
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| Zone | HH_O HH_D |  | HW_O HW_D |  | HS_O HS_D |  | HL_O HL_D |  | HE_O HE_D |  | WH_O WH_D |  | WW_O WW_D |  | WS_O WS_D |  | WL_O WL_D |  | WE_O WE_D |  | SH_O SH_D |  | SW_O SW_D |  |
| 8 | 4 |  | 42 | 58 | 17 | 23 | 12 | 17 |  | 16 | 8 | 11 | 19 | 26 | 9 |  |  | 9 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 | 7 |  |
| 9 | 3 | 2 | 33 | 24 |  | 10 | 10 |  | 9 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 15 |  | 7 |  | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 |  |
| 10 | 3 | 2 | 33 | 25 | 13 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 9 |  | 6 | 5 | 15 |  | 7 |  | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 6 |  |
| 11 | 5 | 5 | 61 | 38 | 24 | 11 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 15 | 16 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 6 |
| 12 | 2 | 2 | 21 | 12 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 13 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 16 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 17 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 21 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 23 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 24 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |  | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 26 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 74 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |  | 13 | 2 | 30 | 32 | 15 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| 27 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 32 | 2 | 3 | 30 | 47 | 12 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 44 | 8 | 6 | 19 | 20 | 9 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 34 | 2 | 2 | 23 | 23 | 9 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 49 |  | 1 | 11 | 23 |  | 49 | 3 | 42 |  | 0 |  | 2 |  | 10 |  | 27 |  | 22 |  |  |  | 0 | 19 | 4 |
| 482 | 2 | 2 | 28 | 4 | 11 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 483 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 15 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 511 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 512 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 513 | 2 | 2 | 21 | 22 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 521 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 522 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 531 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 532 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 541 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 37 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 85 | 6 | 1 | 15 | 16 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 542 | 3 | 3 | 33 | 8 | 13 | 0 | 10 | 20 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 543 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 544 | 3 | 3 | 35 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 551 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 38 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 25 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 15 | 16 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 552 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 3 | 75 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 |
| 553 | 2 | 3 | 28 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 554 | 5 | 6 | 66 | 5 | 26 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 18 | 30 | 1 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total: | 123 | 131 | 1,479 | 1,583 | 589 | 631 | 425 | 456 | 411 | 440 | 266 | 285 | 638 | 683 | 321 | 344 | 229 | 245 | 8 | 9 | 22 | 24 | 243 | 260 |
| Scale To: | 127 |  | 1,479 |  | 589 |  | 425 |  | 411 |  | 285 |  | 661 |  | 332 |  | 237 |  | 8 |  | 24 |  | 252 |  |

## Lots of Demand Matrices



## Assignment

- All 26 light vehicle matrices summed post-distribution
- 2 Heavy matrices (internals and externals) summed post distribution
- Summed Light and Heavies assigned separately, as per original single-purpose demand matrices


## Effects of Demand Segmentation on Assigned Traffic (in Kiwiville) <br> $\therefore$ QTP



## Effects of Demand Segmentation on Flow Validation



## Summing-Up

- Models based on period-level trip rates applied to simplified demographic variables can provide reasonably accurate demand estimates, suitable as an input to a constrained ME process to forecast demands and network flows
- There is potential for some inaccuracies in trip distribution, dependent on the geographical and demographic nature of the model
- Subsequent segmentation of the trips to Quasi-Purposes can overcome such limitations
- In some ways, this bottom-up approach has an advantage over traditional models as there is greater control in the trip distribution over a larger number of trip types for each model period, meaning trip tours are implicitly modelled


## Summing-Up (Continued, your Honour)

- The bottom-up approach also has the benefits of:
- not having to deal with unintuitive concept of productions and attractions
- No directionality factoring of Ps\&As to Os\&Ds (inaccuracies)
- No period factoring from daily to period levels (inaccuracies)
- In-practice, the effects of segmentation for this test-case have been shown to have a very modest impact on modelled flow accuracy
- However, the segmentation approach is considered worth pursuing as intuitively it should result in improved trip distribution and lower risk of inaccurate trip distribution in some circumstances
- The relative simplicity and intuitive nature of this bottom-up approach to developing trip generation and distribution models is considered worthy of consideration for other model-builds

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## The End.

## Bottoms Up to Quasi-Purposes <br> Tim Wright

