ParkSIM: A Hybrid Agent-Based Simulation and Optimization Approach for Statewide Truck Parking Capacity Expansion

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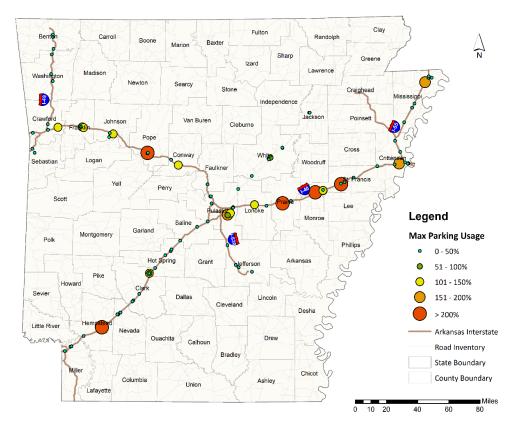
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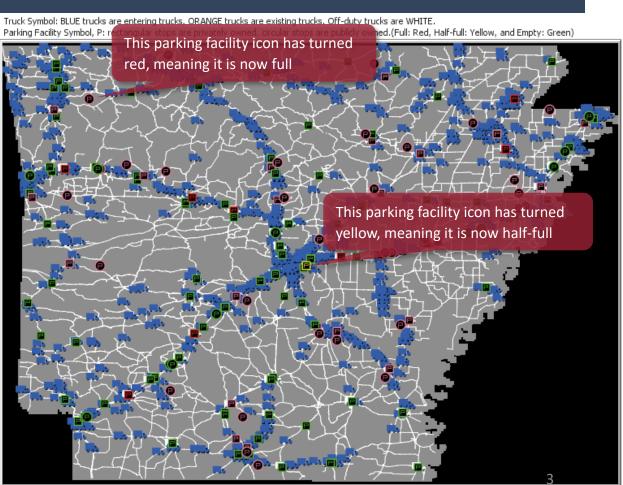
Where should truck parking capacity be expanded to provide the most relief for overcrowding?

- Should we only improve the most crowded facilities in a state?
 - Does this ignore the spatial relation among parking demands for long-haul trips
 - How far can the budget go, do we consider only the most overcrowded facility?
 - Do we only consider new facilities or expansion of existing facilities?
- How do Hours of Service (HOS) regulations impact the demand for truck parking?
 - What if the daily or weekly driving limits are increased or reduced?
 - How can emergencies like the COVID-19 pandemic impact parking needs?
 - What if team driving practices become more or less popular?



ParkSIM- Simulation model of truck parking movements and driver behaviors

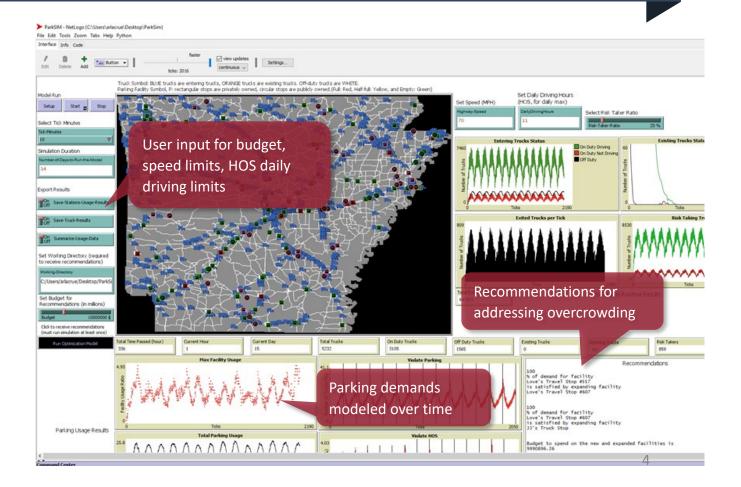
- Truck movements by hour are generated with unique origins/destinations, driving histories, tolerance for speeding/resting
- Drivers follow HOS regulations and rest when needed
- Decision model determines how best to allocate user-specified budget to meet parking overcrowding
- Open-source software package



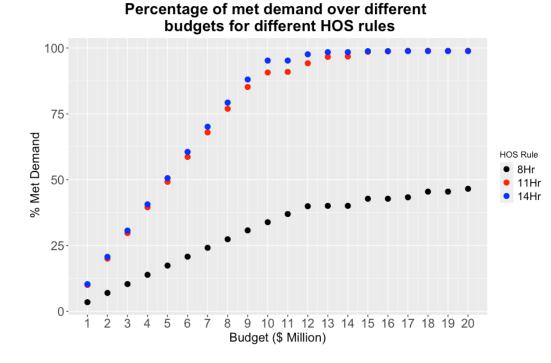
Model recommends where and how many parking spaces to add

• User can specify

- Budget
- HOS daily driving limits
- Driver preferences
 - Willingness to park on ramps
 - Willingness to go past daily HOS limit
- Calibrated and validated with truck GPS data



ParkSIM was applied to the 168 existing and 42 new facilities in Arkansas



- Hours of Service
 - Relaxing the 11-hour HOS daily driving limit to 14 hours leads to a slight decrease in the number of drivers unable to find parking (1.5% or 29 drivers).
 - Restricting HOS from 11 hours to 8 hours significantly increases the percentage of parking demand (44.3%, or 205 drivers).
- Parking capacity
 - For budgets less than \$11 million incremental capacity (7-28 spaces each) at existing parking facilities.
 - A budget over \$11M allows for the addition of three new facilities.

Available Budget	Number of new facilities to be built	Number of existing facilities to add capacity	Number of added parking spaces	Average met demand (%)
\$1 M	0	5	26	9.4
\$2 M	0	7	52	18.7
\$3 M	0	9	77	27.7
\$4 M	0	12	102	36.7
\$5 M	0	16	127	45.7
\$6 M	0	20	152	54.7
\$7 M	0	22	176	63.3
\$8 M	0	27	198	70.9
\$9 M	0	26	221	79.5
\$10 M	0	31	244	86.7
\$11 M	0	35	268	88.1

Thank you!

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