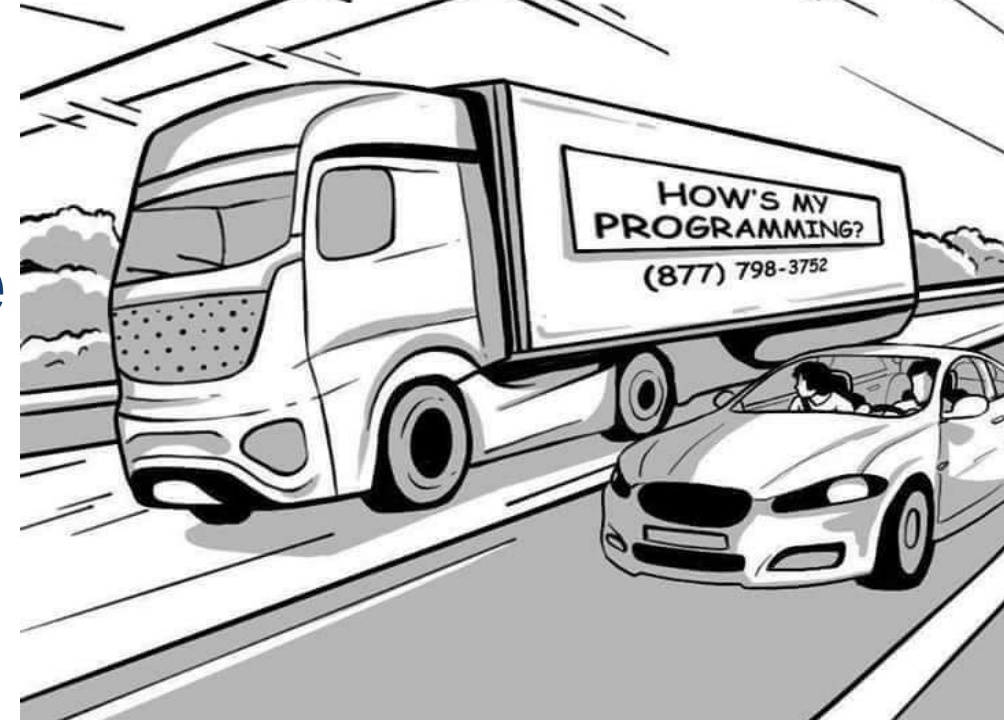


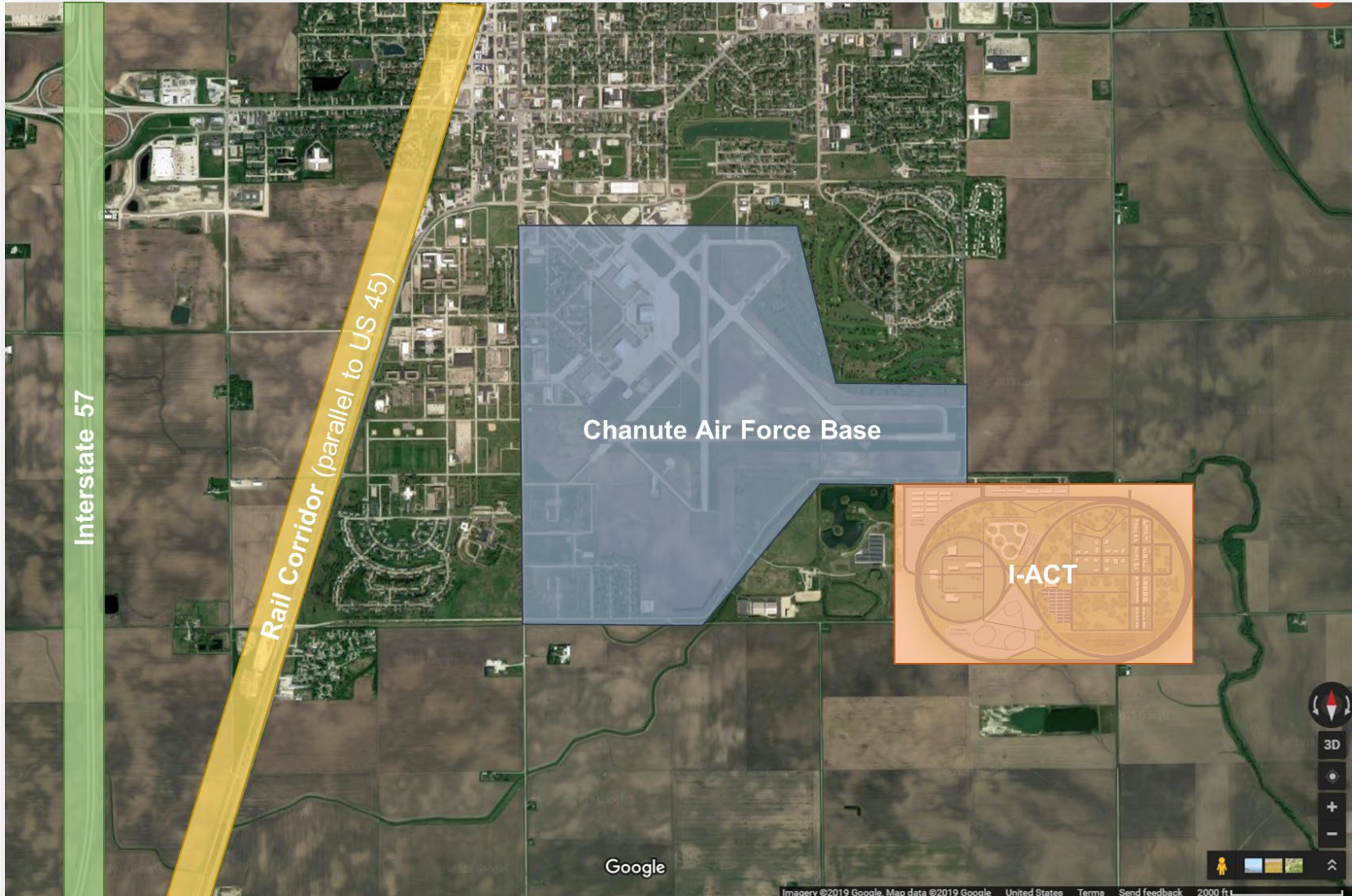
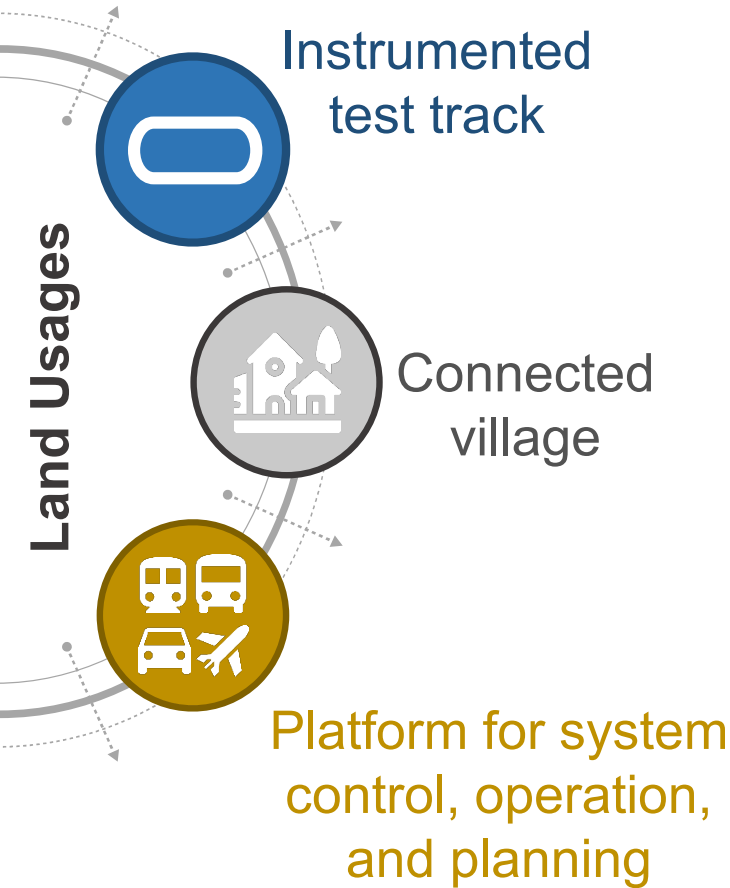
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Building on Established, Successful Models: I-ACT Mends the Gap for High-speed Connected and Autonomous Trucks

Access to smart urban/suburban city

Agricultural land and market roads

Four seasonal variations

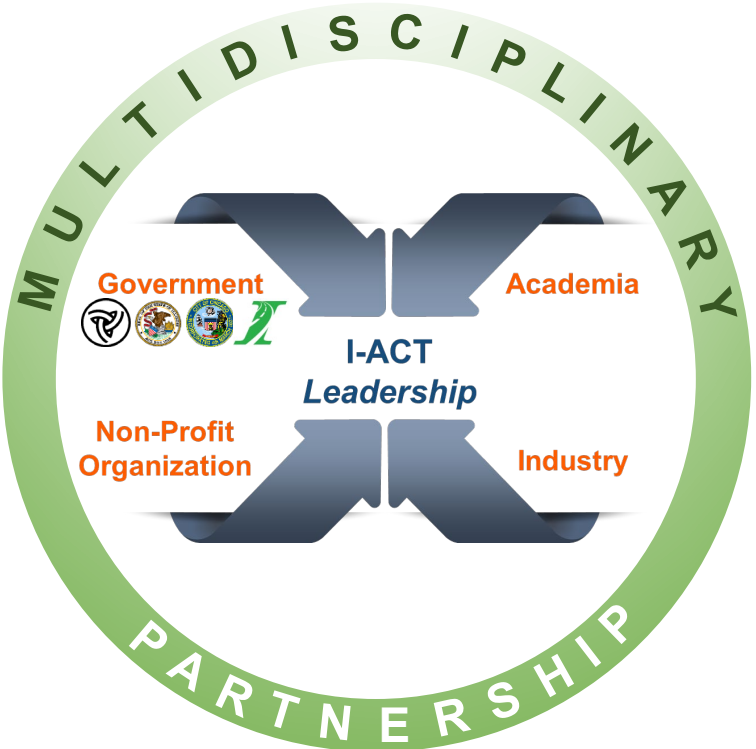
Multimodal transport

High-speed platooning of freight trucks

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A clear opportunity for advancing the transportation agenda of the United States



A platform investment that covers all the basis of upcoming transportation needs related to **smart and 3D mobility**, alongside **economic and workforce development**

Nearby access to multimodal transport (road, air, rail)



Pool of expertise from top-tier universities



Controlled and real settings with four seasonal variations



Freight logistics at high-speed (fastest loop)



Drones and 3D mobility



Large-scale effort for V2I (instrumented infrastructure)



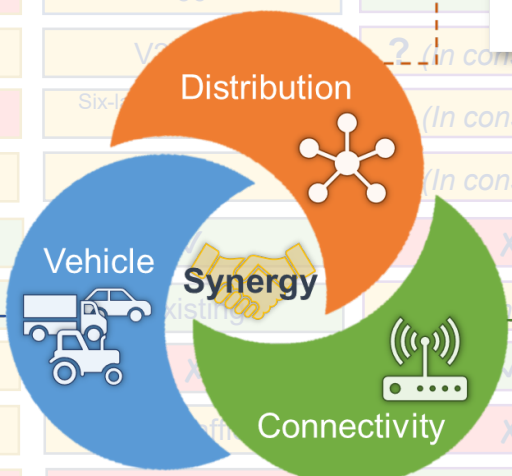
5G Connectivity

Fastest computing and top data analytics (NCSA)

Agricultural machines and market road use



	I-ACT	ACM	Mcity	SMARTCenter	SunTrax	Smart Road	
State	Illinois	Michigan	Michigan	Ohio	Florida	Virginia	
Use	Freight & multimodal logistics	Testing, development, & validation	Smart city	Urban network and intersection	Testing, development, & validation	Testing, development, & validation	
Management	Partnership	Non-Profit	U-M	Non-Profit	Florida	Virginia Tech	
Academia, Government, Industry, & Non-Profit Partners	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Vehicle calibration and dynamics	✓	✓	<i>Ready to provide a large-scale V2V/V2I/V2X testing arena and spearhead autonomous and connected transportation policies</i>				✓
Small vehicle (car and shuttle)	✓	✓					✓
Freight	✓	✓	X	✓	? (In construction)	✓	
Highway speed ≥ 65 mph	75	55	25	60			
V2V, V2I, & V2X Research	V2V, V2I, V2X	Infrastructure and energy harvesting	V2V, V2I	V2V, V2I	? (In construction)	V2V, V2I	
Multi-platform test facility	Three-lane highway and arterial roads	highway and arterial roads	campus and small city	Six-lane highway	(In construction)	Limited surface street	
Data management & real-time analytics	NCSA	✓	✓	✓	(In construction)	✓	
Four seasons	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	
Urban & suburban setting	New infrastructure	Old MDOT & new roads	Existing	Existing	(In construction)	Existing	
Interstate setting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	
Instrumented infrastructure (including pavement, tunnel, & bridges)	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	X	
Loop track	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	
Tunnel and bridge	✓	✓	X	X	X	X	
Controlled climate module	✓	Planned	X	X	X	X	
Agricultural land & market roads	✓	X	X	X	X	X	
Drone testing	✓	X	X	X	X	X	
Nearby multimodal facilities (grid-system network, rail, and airport)	✓	X	X	X	X	X	



New CAV technology and retrofitting existing vehicles

Multimodal fleet, supply chain, and logistics

V2X telematics and analytics

Collaborative opportunities to invest and utilize the I-ACT testing arena

Performance Testing

Private entity provides product to **advance development, feasibility, commercialization, and deployment**

Academic Research Sponsorship

Sponsor involvement is strictly monetary, funding research to perform all tasks

Technical Support

Entity or company leases a portion of the track or testing arena to use according to **specific needs**

Team Research & Development

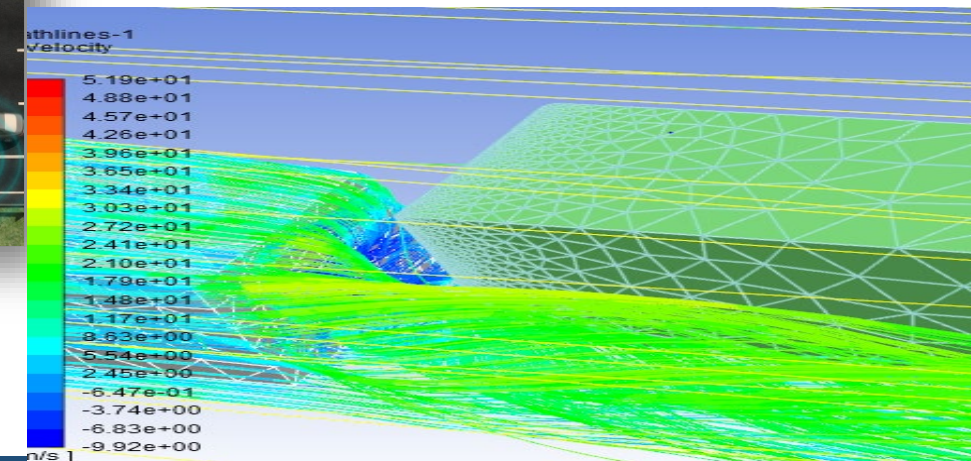
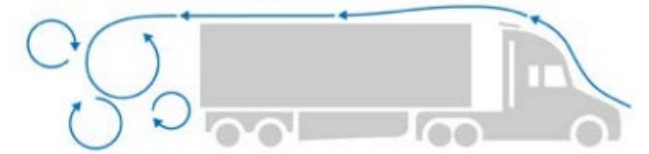
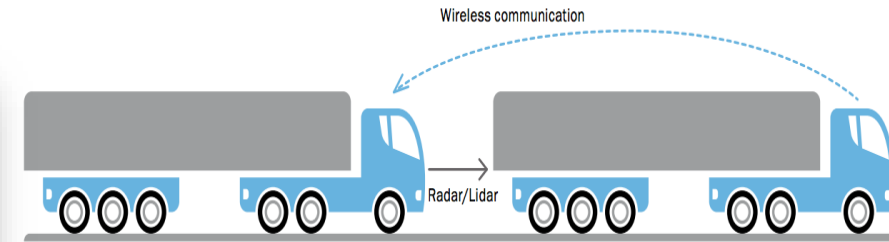
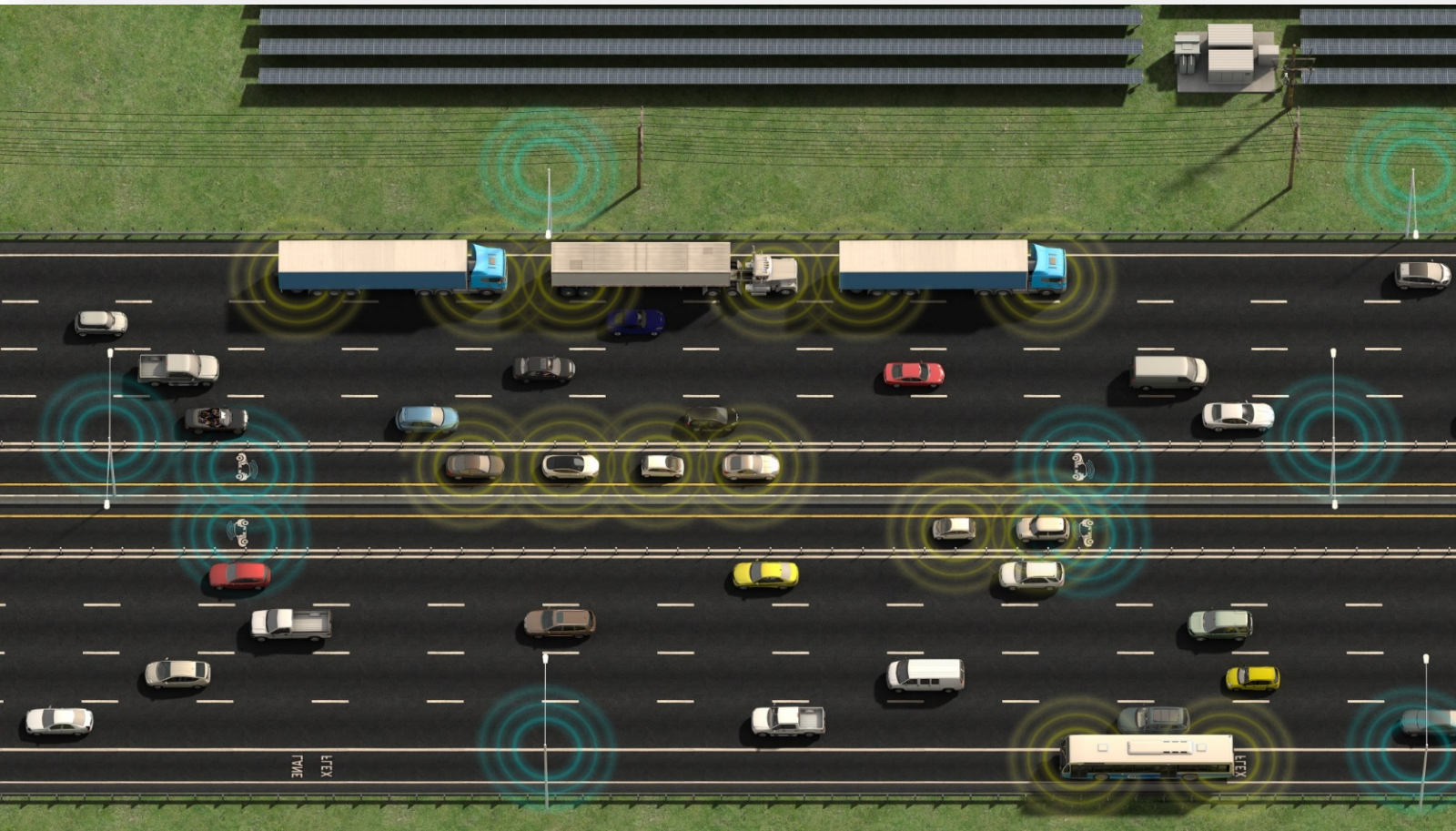
Sponsor provides funds and **collaborates with research team**; tasks may include technology and/or protocol development

Founding Member

Entity invests in testing arena, motivated by **long-term economical and/or social benefits**

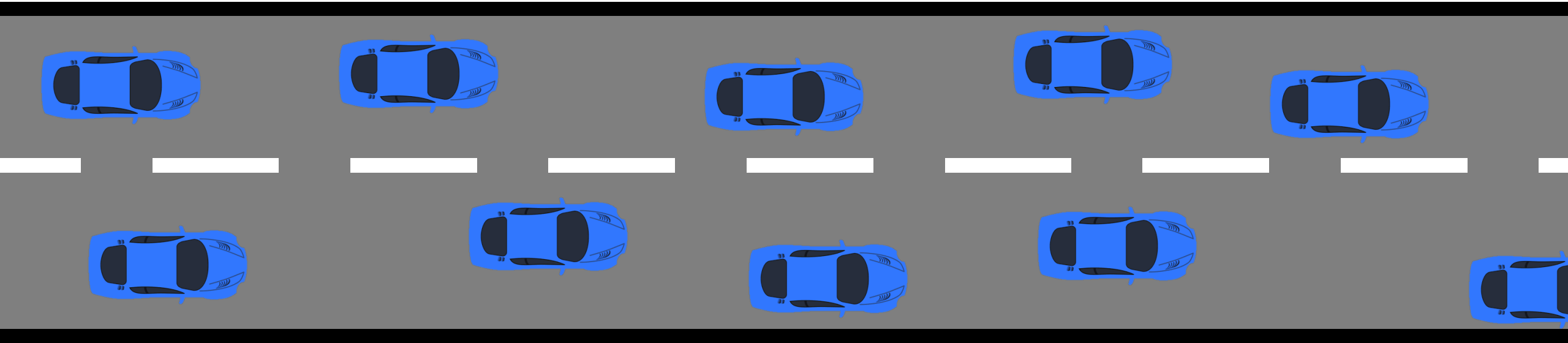


Autonomous Truck Platooning



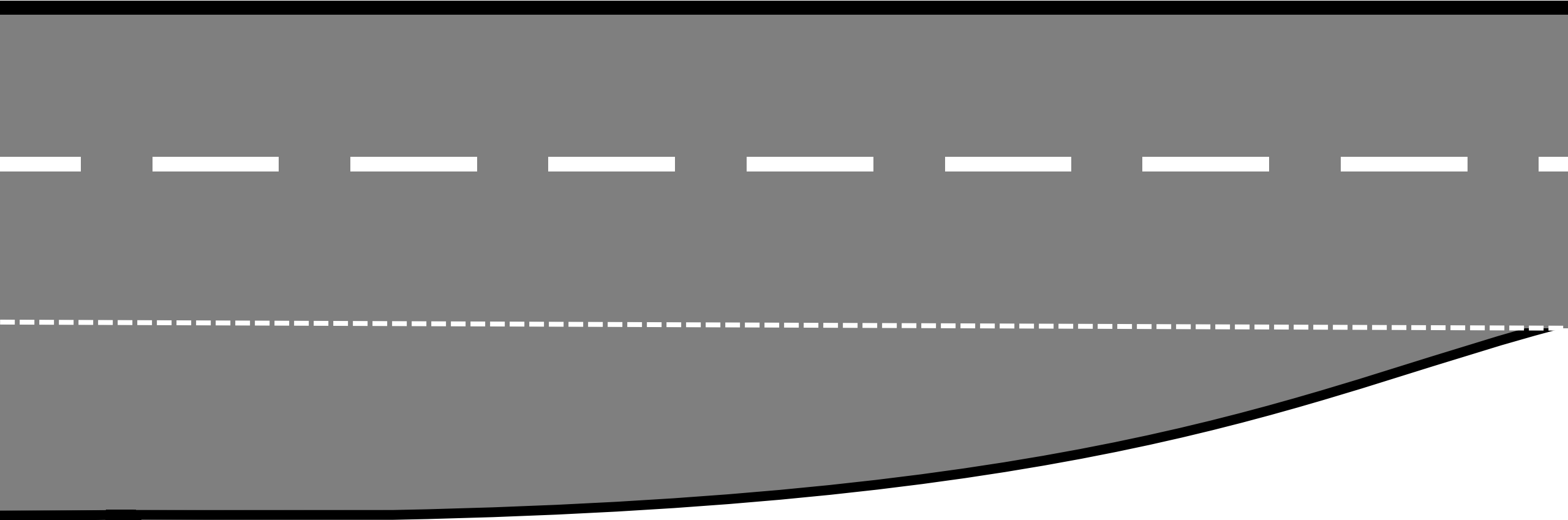
Potential Challenges for Platooning

- Vehicle density may compromise free flow speeds

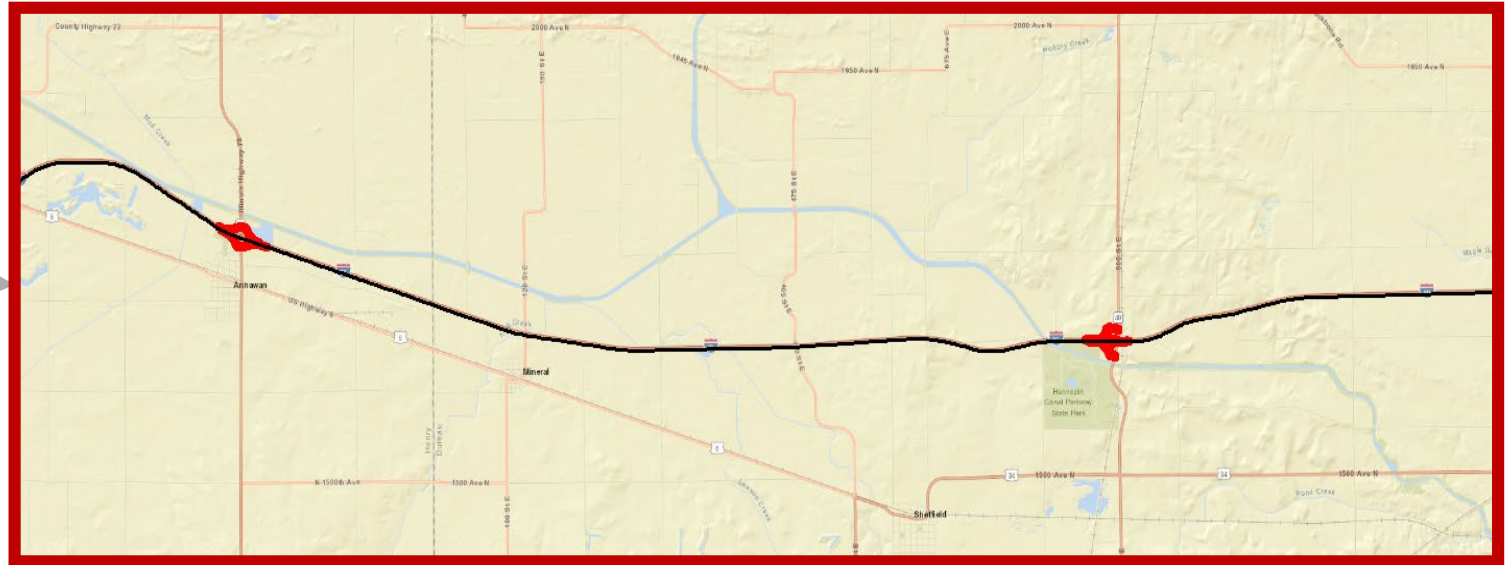
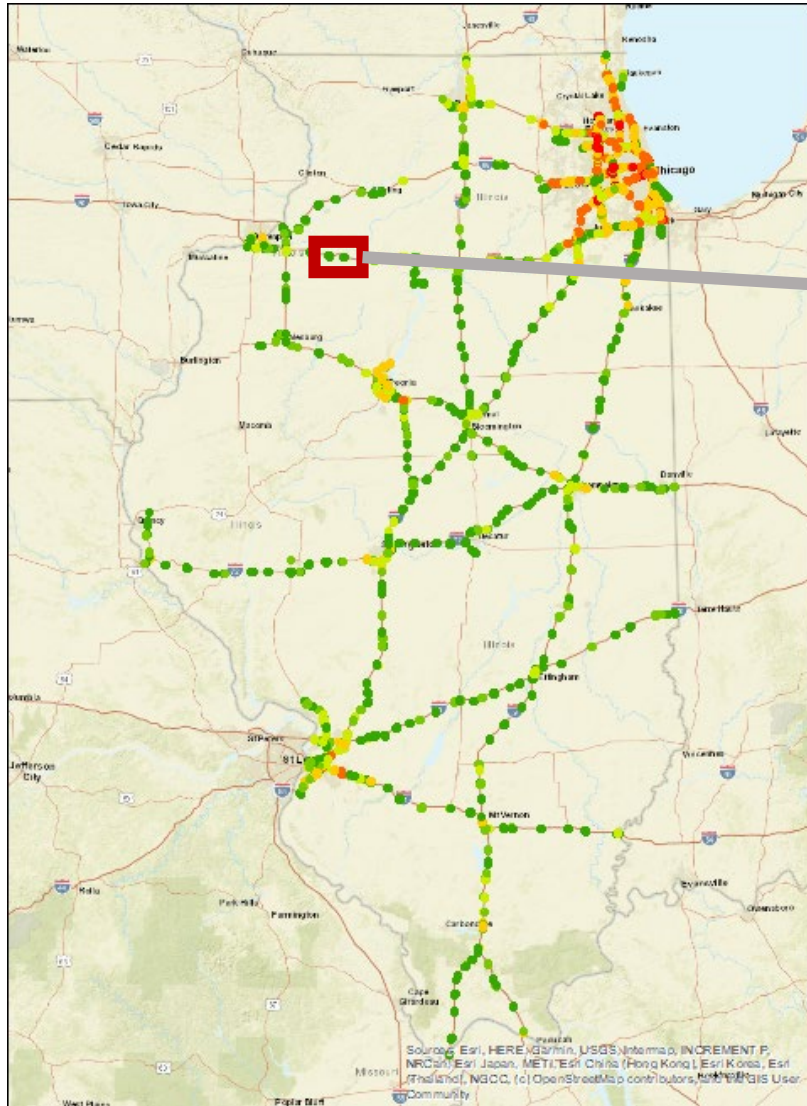


Potential Challenges for Platooning

- Possible conflicts near entry and exit ramps

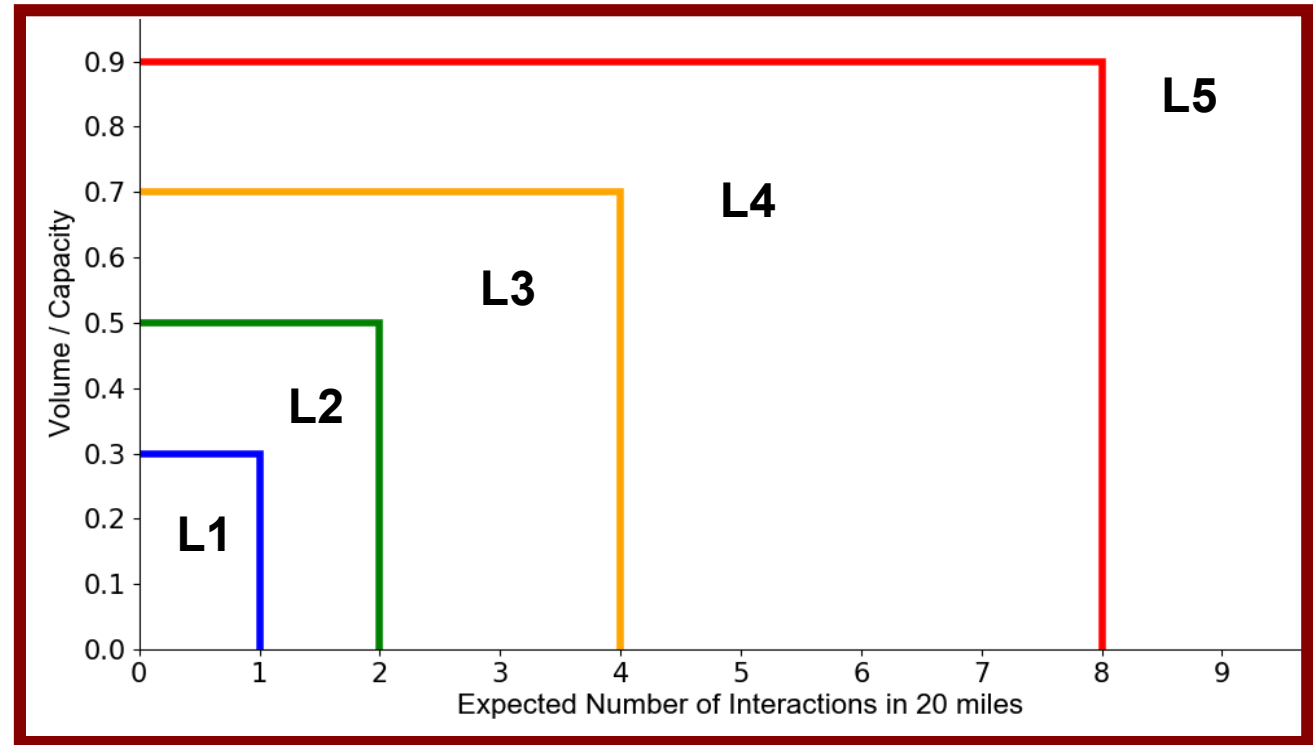
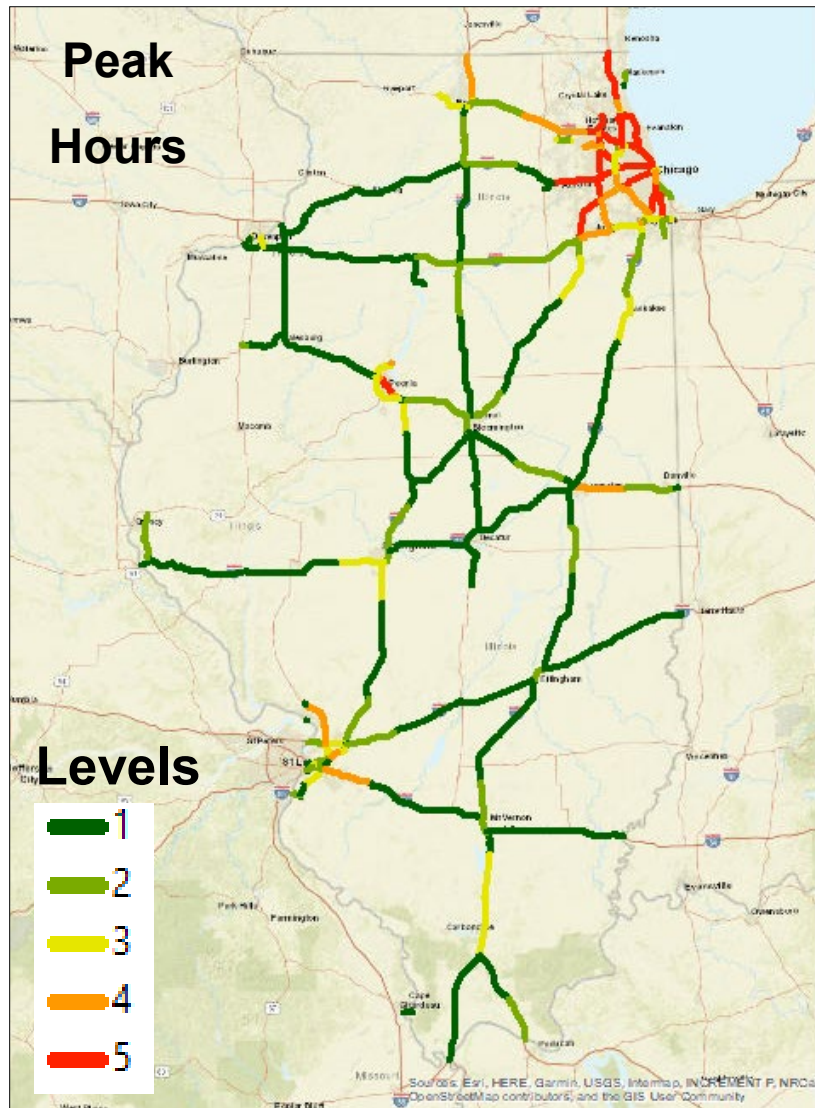


Platoonability of Illinois Roads



IDOT GIS data were analyzed considering traffic density and possible conflicts per 20-mile segments.

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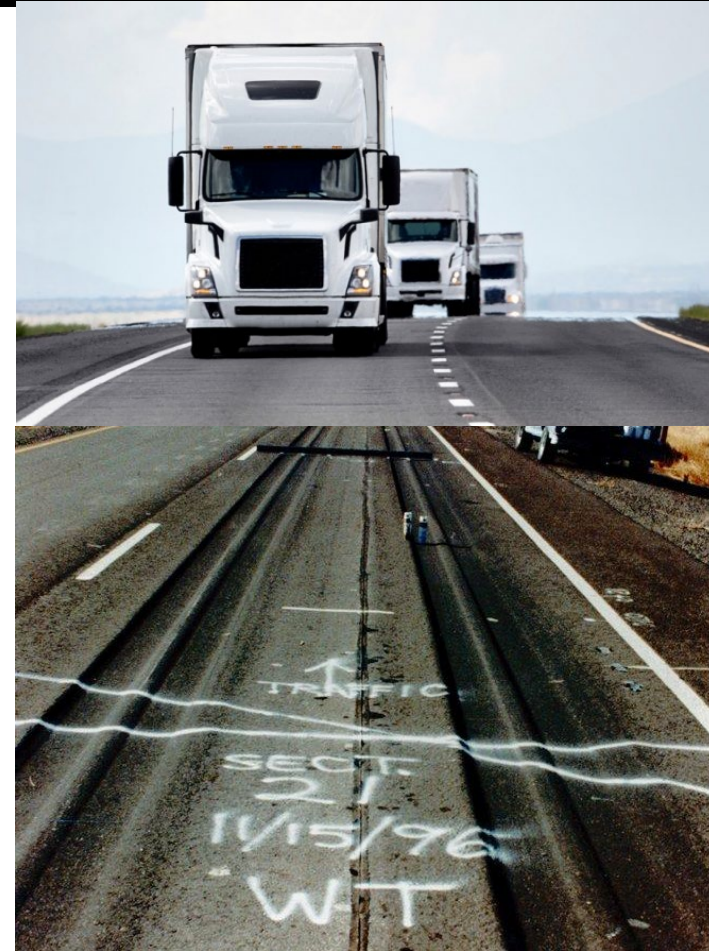
Roads are divided into 5 platoonability levels with level 3 being the threshold for platoonability. 89% of interstates are platoonable during peak hours

Pavement Damage and Platooning

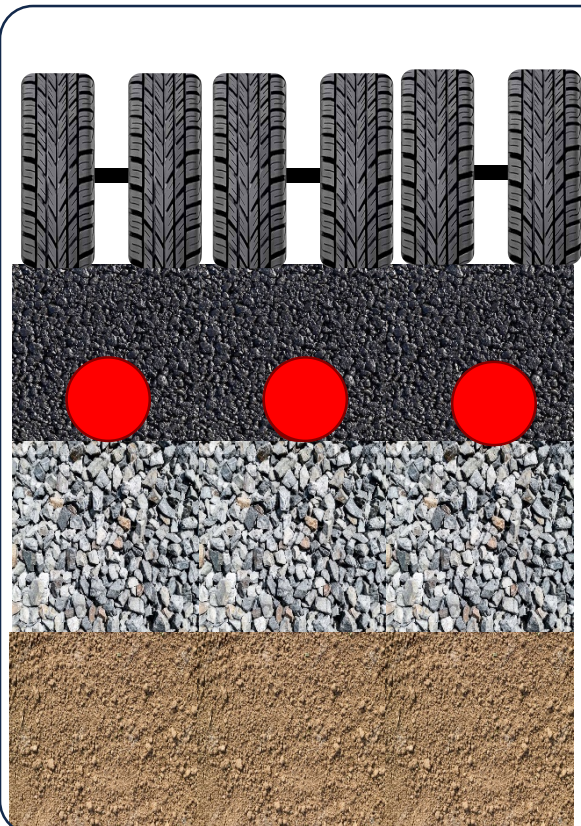


Scenario 1 – Channelized Traffic

- Trucks always follow the same path on the pavement
- Most damaging to system due to load concentration
- **Platooning is more damaging than traditional traffic in this scenario**



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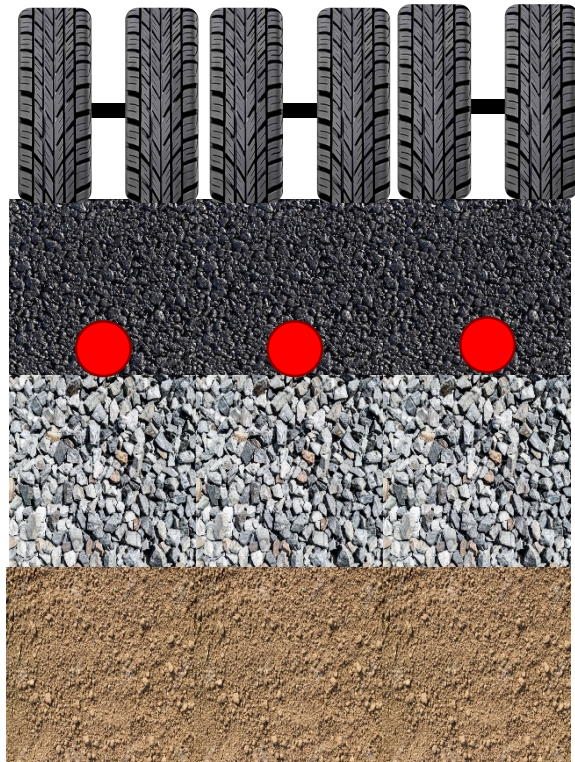


Scenario 2 – Local Optimization

- Trucks follow each other with slight offset
- Decreases the damage by decreasing load concentration
- **However, increases fuel consumption by increasing drag**



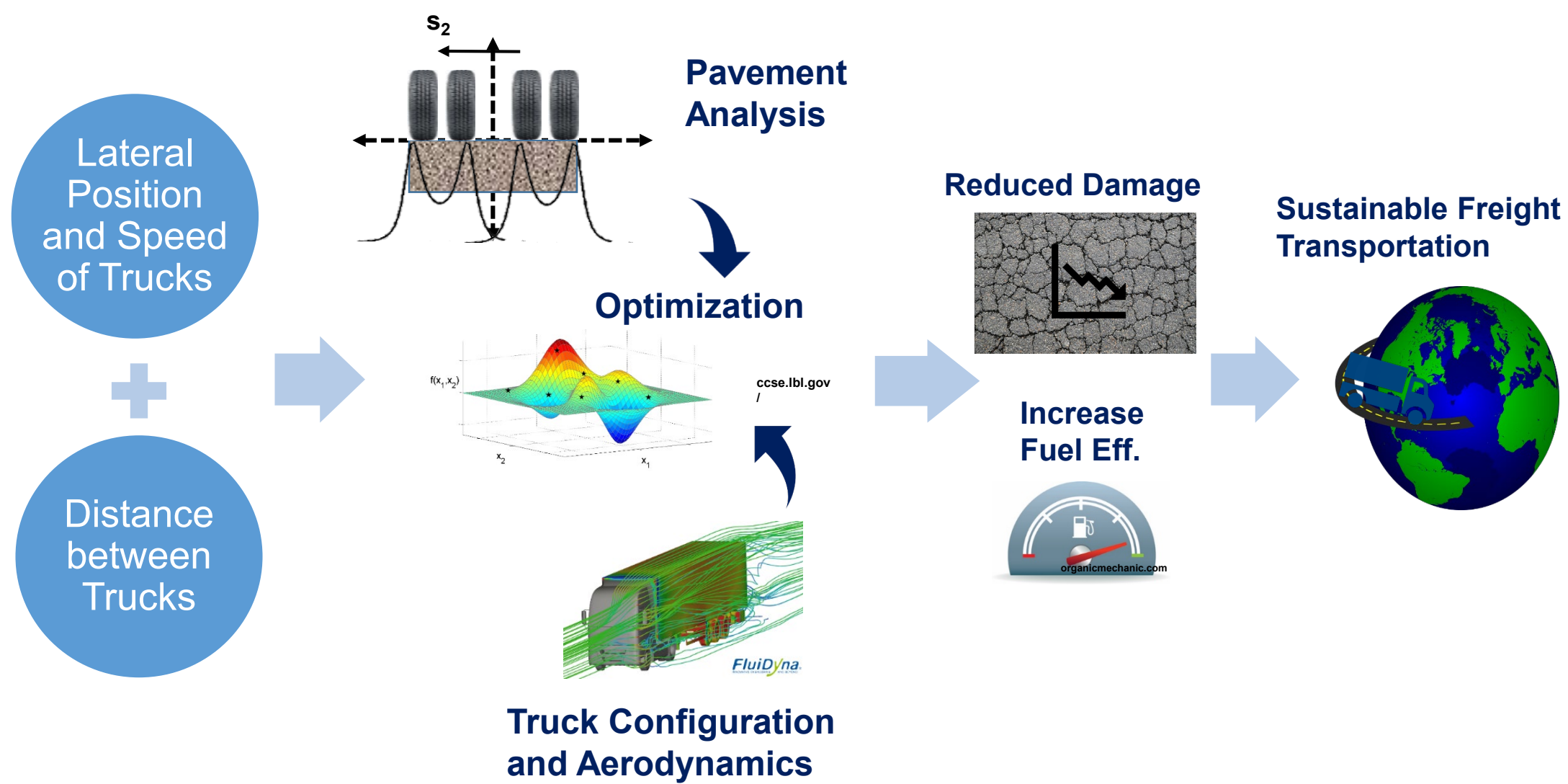
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Scenario 3 – Centralized Optimization

- Each platoon follow a specified path
- Path is selected and communicated to platoon by a centralized optimization policy
- **Optimizes fuel savings and pavement damage at the same time**

Platooning: a Challenge to Opportunity



Thank You

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