*Lecture 10: Batty's Lecture 2-1*

# Large Scale Integrated Urban Models

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- The Assignment

- Demand and Supply: Market Clearing

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- Integrated Large Scale Model Structures

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  Accessibility, and Relations to Stakeholder

- Parallel Developments: CA and ABM: I will talk a
  little about these in the final lecture session

# Demand and Supply: Market Clearing

So far most of these models have been articulated from the demand side – they are models of travel demand and locational demand – they say nothing about supply although we did introduce the notion that in simulating trips and assigning these to the network, we need to invoke supply. When demand and supply are in balance, then the usual signal of this is the price that is charged. In one sense the DRAM EMPAL model configures residential location as demand and employment location as supply but most models tend to treat supply as being relatively fixed, given, non-modellable

However several models that couple more than one activity together treat supply as being balanced with demand, often starting with demand, seeing if demand is met, if not changing the basis of demand and so on until equilibrium is ascertained. Sometimes prices determines the signal of this balance. If demand is too high, price rises and demand falls until supply is met and vice versa. Often this is done simply to ensure demand is not greater than supply

Most urban models do not attempt to model supply for supply side modelling is much harder and less subject to generalisable behaviour

A strategy for ensuring balance is as follows for a model with two sectors – like the one we illustrated earlier

In the following slide, we have two submodels – first
residential location and second retail location

In each submodel, we first have interaction (trip distribution)
and then location.

The first loops in terms of interaction are for capacity
constraints on supply, the second are for capacity
constraints on location ⟶

The second set of red loops involve reiterating the interaction
and location so that we can get balance within the entire
submodel ⟶

The thick black loop in the middle couples the residential to the
retail mode, the thick black loop around the two models is
used if retail predictions are to influence employment ⟶

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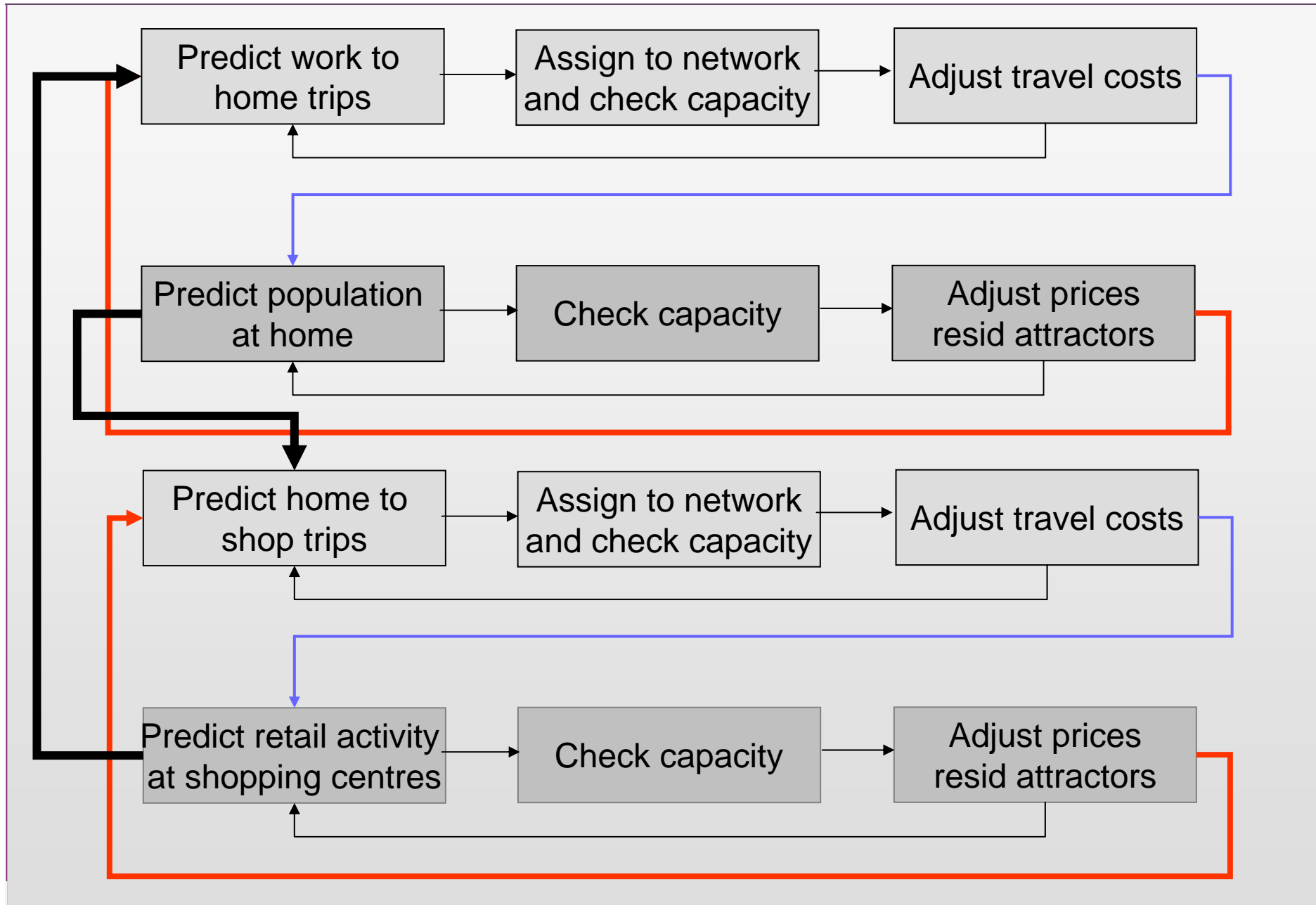
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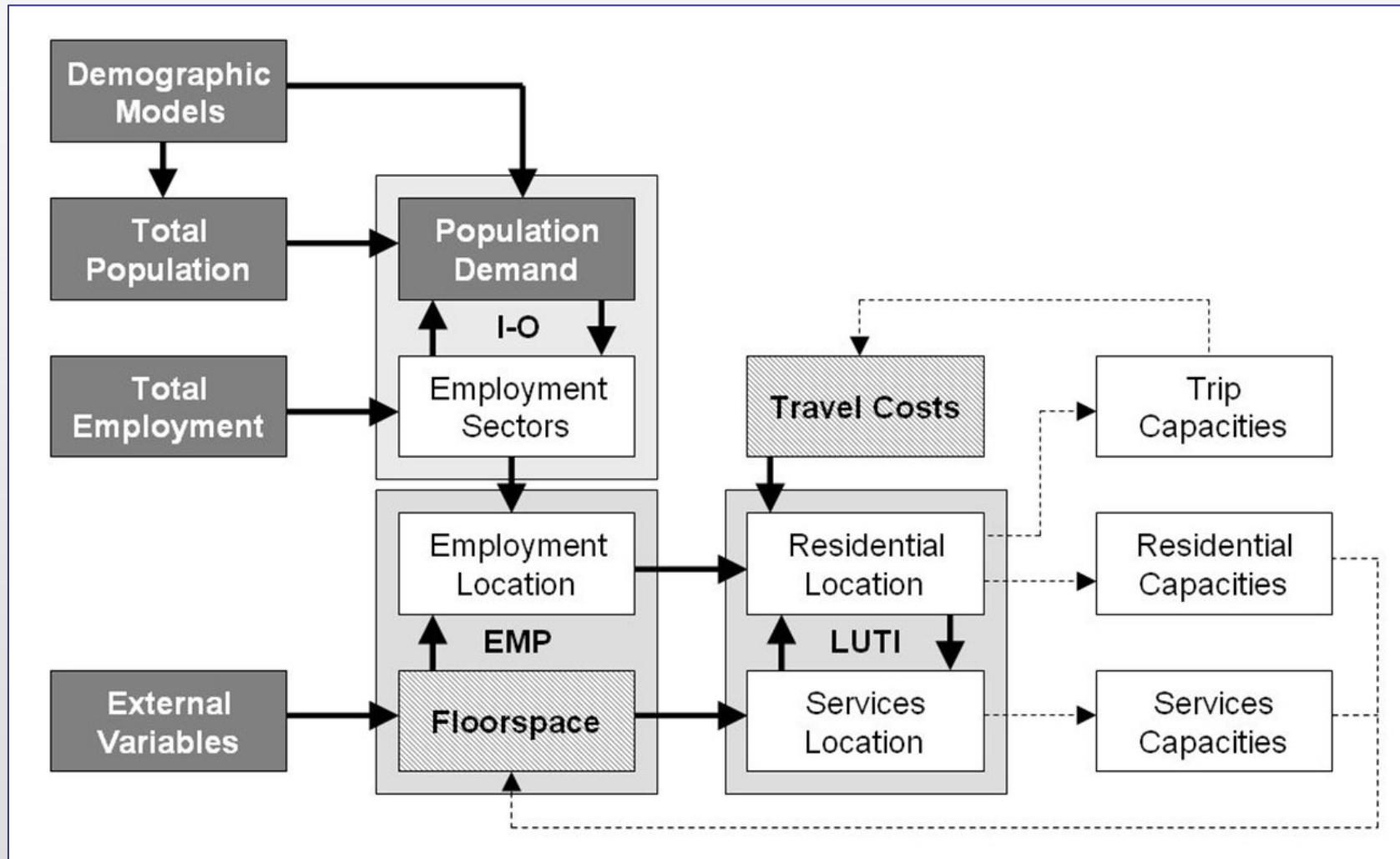
The decision to nest what loop inside what other loop is a big issue that makes these models non-unique

If the supply side is modelled separately then the way this is incorporated further complicates the sequence of model operations.

In large scale integrated models, that we will deal with next, these are crucial issues

There is one further structural issue we will deal and this involves extending the models sectorally and the Echenique input-output formulation is a good example of this extension

## Input-Output: The Echenique Models

So far we have only developed couplings between models that are added together in ordered sequences that string sectors together apart from reference last time to the Lowry model which organised this sequence around the basic-non-basic employment multiplier.

We can extend this to a series of linked causal multipliers between different sectors by extending this chain to an input-output model framework. In essence we define many different sectors involving households, labour, industries, services and so on and build the model so that there are consistent economic relations between each

Echenique's MEPLAN models are structured in this fashion. We can introduce these as follows.

Essentially the system is divided into production and consumption based on activities m that are produced in zone I, $X_i^m$, and consumed as activities n in zone j, $Y_j^n$

These are organised as in an input output table but noting that they are spatially specific

$$X_i^m = \sum_j \sum_n T_{ij}^{mn}$$

$$Y_j^n = \sum_i \sum_m T_{ij}^{mn}$$
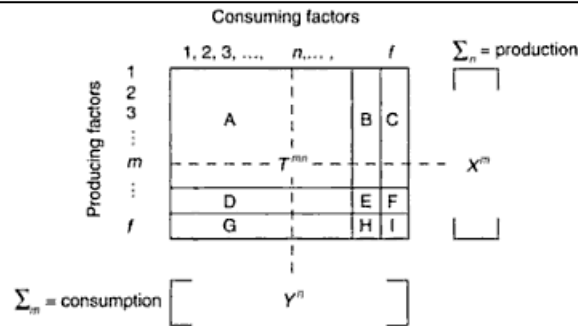
Here is the typical I-O table

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Figure 2. Transaction matrix $T$.

- Section A of the matrix $T^{mn}$ represents the transactions between factors. This area is normally included in standard input–output models (Leontief, 1951). It represents the sales from sector $m$ to sector $n$.
- Section B of the matrix $T^{mn}$ represents the transactions between factor $m$ and the household group $n$, in other words the consumption by the households of products or services $m$.
- Section C of the matrix $T^{mn}$ represents the transactions between factors $m$ to be exported to outside the area in consideration. Normally, both sections B and C are considered the final demand in standard input–output models that also includes investments and government consumption. It is described as the exogenous sector, that is to say, it is determined outside the model.
- Section D represents the sale of labor or other income received by socio-economic groups $m$ from the factor $n$ (e.g. dividends).
- Section E represents the sale of labor from socio-economic groups $m$ to households in socio-economic groups $n$ (e.g. domestic labor).
- Section F represents the sale of labor or other income received from the exogenous factor, such as pensions and other payments from government, etc.
- Section G represents the imports from outside the area and payments to the exogenous factor such as taxes to the government. In this sector, rental of property or land is sometimes included.
- Section H represents the payments by the households factor such as taxes, rental, etc.
- Section I represents payments by the exogenous factor to itself, such as imports for the government or for investments.

The flows are based on spatial interaction models of the form

$$T_{ij}^{mn} = Y_j^n \frac{\exp(-\beta^m c_{ij}^m)}{\sum_i \exp(-\beta^m c_{ij}^m)}$$

Where the generalised interaction costs also include other

costs such as prices of good m at I

$$c_{ij}^m = p_i^m + t_{ij}^m + w_{ij}^m$$

The order in which these equations are solved and linked

together is given in the following flow chart

Note that prices are determined from spatial interactions as

$$p_i^m = \frac{1}{\beta} \log \sum_i \exp(-\beta^m c_{ij}^m)$$

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And then linked back to the prices of goods produced as

$$p_j^n = \sum_m a^{mn} p_j^m$$

$$a^{mn} = \frac{\displaystyle\sum_i \sum_j T_{ij}^{mn}}{\displaystyle\sum_j Y_j^n}$$

The precise details of how the model works are extremely hard to figure out from the papers but the following flow chart goes some way to showing how the various elements are configured.

This is a general point. In models that are coupled in this fashion – integrated, then it is often hard to figure out the precise ordering or the structure
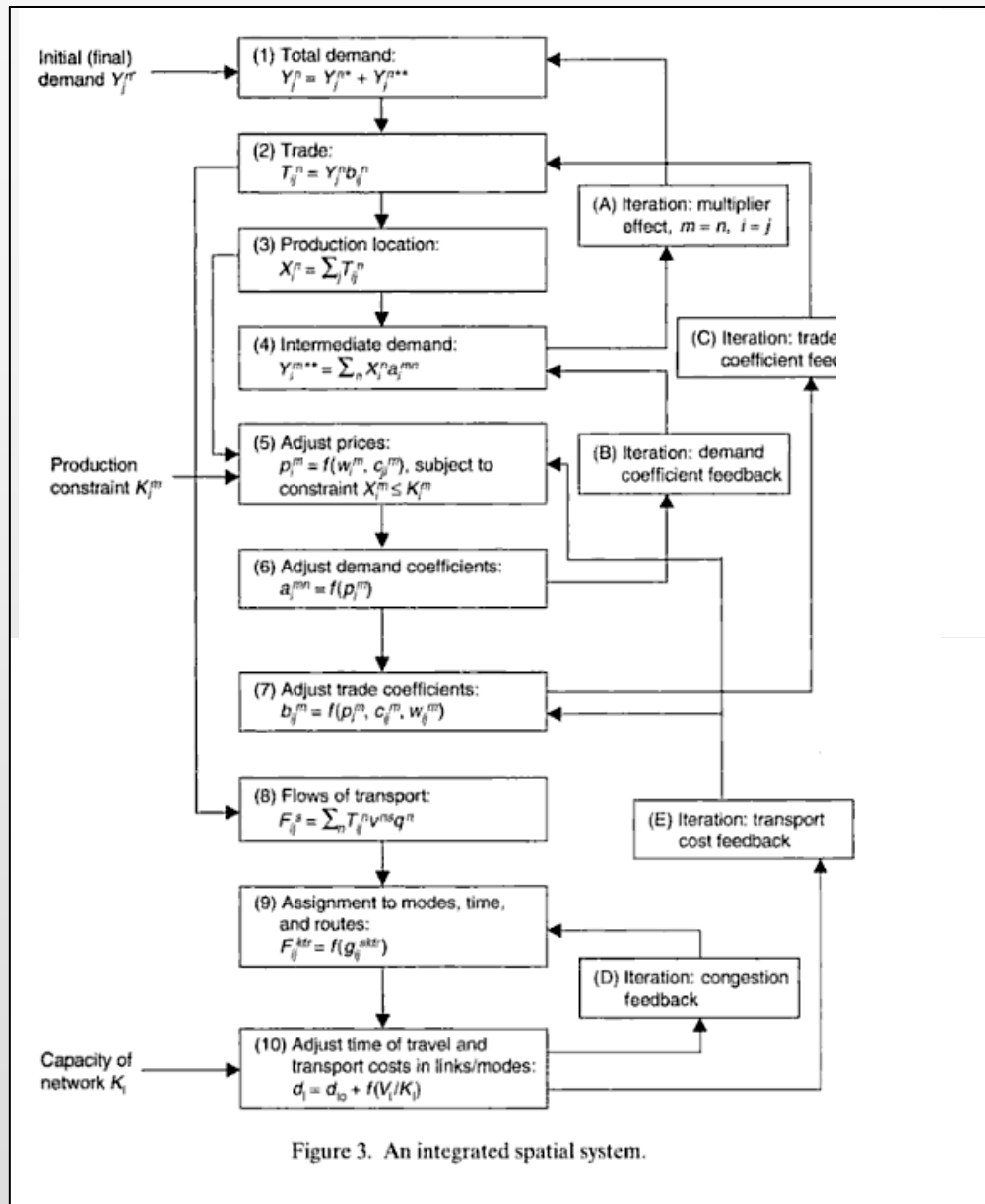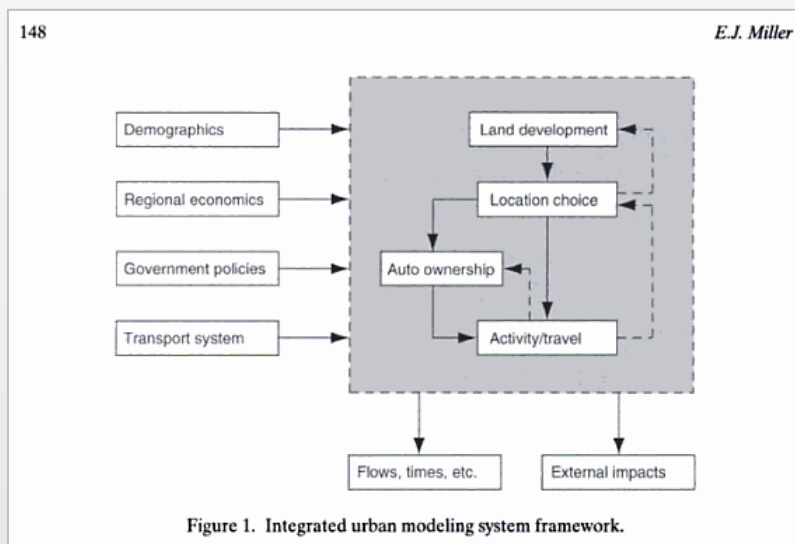
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Figure 3. An integrated spatial system.

# Integrated Large-Scale Model Structures

I will simply point you in the right directions here – the

Handbook I referred you to in the last lecture contains

several very good papers on these issues and I will briefly

present some notes from Miller's article

# Here is a summary from his article of the key structure of such models and also their requirements



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Figure 1. Integrated urban modeling system framework.

**Box 2**
**Model evaluation criteria**

**Credibility**
- Theoretical soundness
- Policy sensitivity
- Precision (spatially, temporally)
- Validation

**Feasibility**
- Computational requirements
- Data requirements
- Technical support requirements
- Cost

**Usability**
- Ease of input preparation
- Model run time
- Output/presentation capabilities
- Portability/transferability
- Flexibility/adaptability

**Box 1**
**Integrated urban model design issues**

**Physical system representation**
- Time
- Space (land)
- Building stock
- Transportation networks
- Services

**Representation of processes**
- Land development
- Location choices
- Job market
- Demographics
- Regional economics
- Automobile holdings
- Activity/travel demand
- Network performance

**Representation of decision-makers**
- Persons
- Households
- Private firms
- Public authorities

**"Generic issues"**
- Level of aggregation/disaggregation
- Endogenous versus exogenous treatment
- Level of "process type"
- Model specification

**Implementation issues**
- Data requirements
- Computational requirements
- Technical support requirements

## Table 1. General facts

| Software | Developer | Operational history | Platform | Commercial availability | Support |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ITLUP | S. H. Putman | Developed over the last 25 years; operationally applied in many US cities plus selected overseas (40 plus calibrations) | Originated in FORTRAN for mainframe/work-station. PC version (METROPILUS) in ArcView shell, which provides linkage to ArcView GIS (Windows compatible) | Yes | Consulting firm, with commercial documentation and technical support (user's manual, newsletter, user group) |
| MEPLAN | M. Echenique | Much shared history over 25-year development. Operational applications throughout the world, including the USA (Sacramento for both; Washington State for MEPLAN; Oregon State and Baltimore for TRANUS) | MEPLAN originated in FORTRAN for mainframe; now PC based | Yes | Consulting firm, with commercial documentation and technical support (user's manual, newsletter) |
| TRANUS | T. de la Barra | | TRANUS developed directly for PC (Windows orientation) | Yes | Consulting firm, with commercial documentation and technical support (user's manual) |
| MUSSA | F. Martinez | Operational in Santiago, Chile. Developed over last 8–10 years | PC based; runs under Windows. Interfaces with a relational database management system (Access). GUI and GIS | Yes | University-based research team in collaboration with the Government of Chile |
| NYMTC-LUM | A. Anas | Currently being implemented in New York City. Based upon previous models (CATLAS, CPHMM, NYSIM) developed in Chicago and New York over the last 20 years | PC or workstation. FORTRAN program | Yes | Alex Anas & Associates (a small firm). Limited documentation |
| UrbanSim | P. Waddell | Currently being implemented in Honolulu, Eugene/Springfield and Salt Lake City. Historical validation performed in Oregon | Platform independent, written in Java. Viewer currently implemented in MapObjects GIS on Windows 95/NT | Yes; public domain via website (www.urbansim.org) | University of Washington. Limited documentation currently. Reference manual, user guide, software available at website (www.urbansim.org) |

*Current Operational Urban Land-use–Transport Modelling Frameworks*

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## Sketch for an Integrated Model

I am very quickly going to sketch an integrated model which

builds on the ideas of the last lecture – I will not

disaggregate the model into m employment types and n

housing types but we can assume that this is a complicating

feature that simple makes the presentation trickier – so we

will simply deal with the aggregate version

The model has three sectors – employment, retailing and

residential location with a link from retailing into part

employment. Three different models are built for each

sector – spatial interaction for residential and retailing and a

linear model of land development for employment

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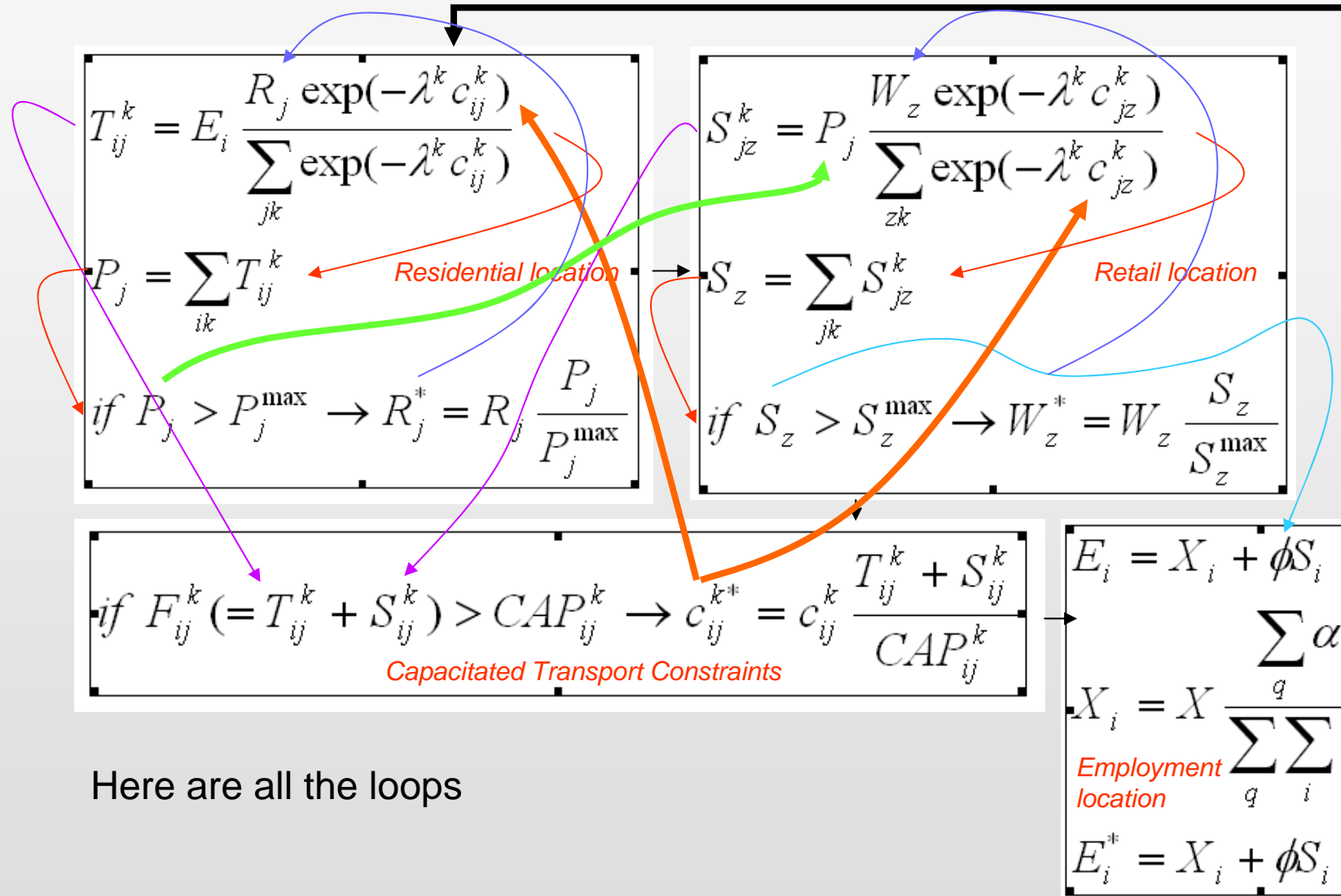$$\text{if } S_z > S_z^{\max} \rightarrow W_z^* = W_z \frac{S_z}{S_z^{\max}}$$

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Here are all the loops

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Reading about integrated models is more tricky as these models are convoluted – involved – that clear statements are hard to find. Two papers are relevant and I will put these up later today.
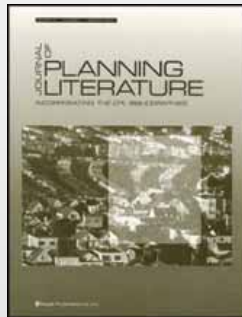


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