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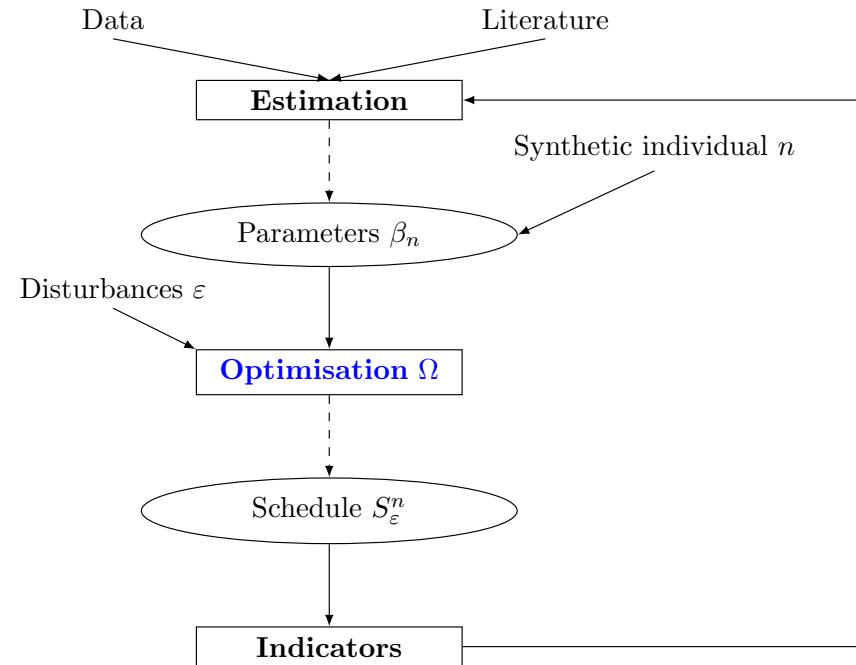
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# Outline

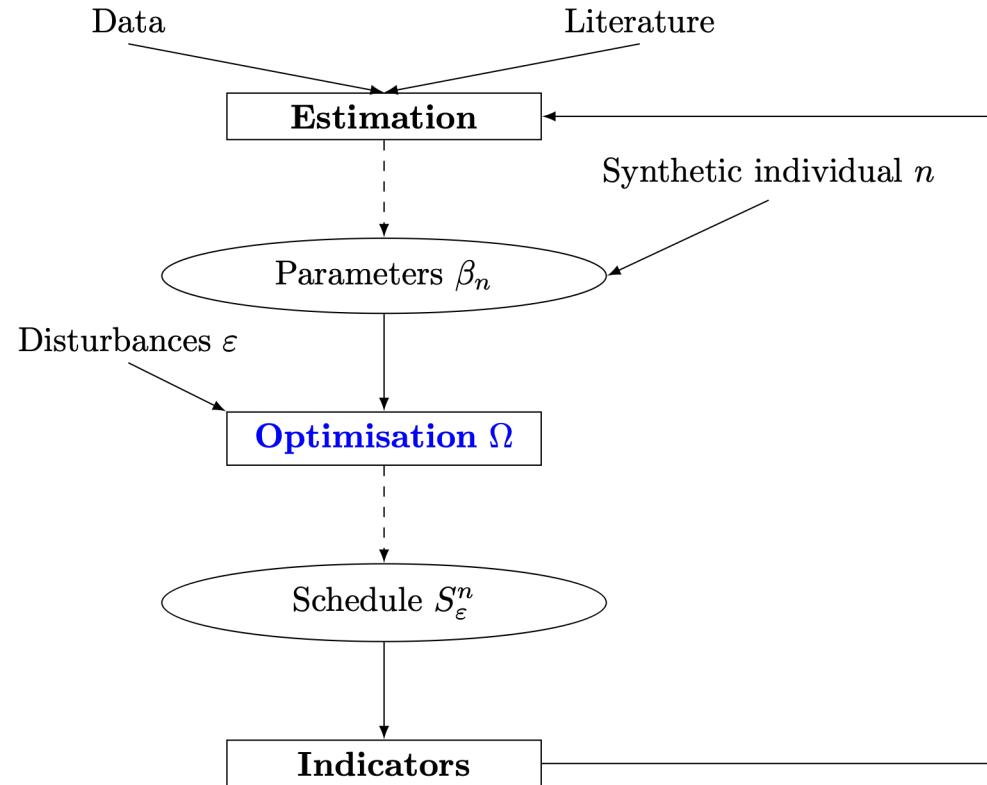
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- Further work, ideas...

# Framework

- Optimisation-based simulation framework for activity-based models
  
- Joint estimation
  - Activity participation
  - Activity scheduling
  - Mode choice
  - Location choice
  
- Three modelling elements:
  1. Schedule simulation
  2. Choice set generation
  3. Parameter estimation

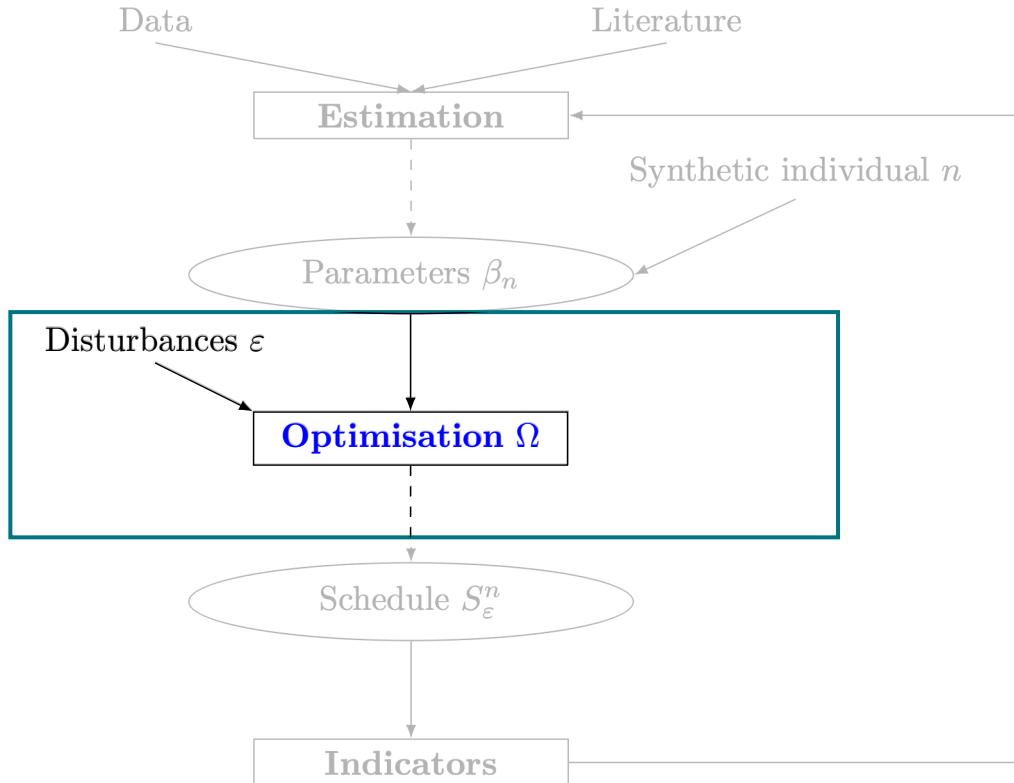


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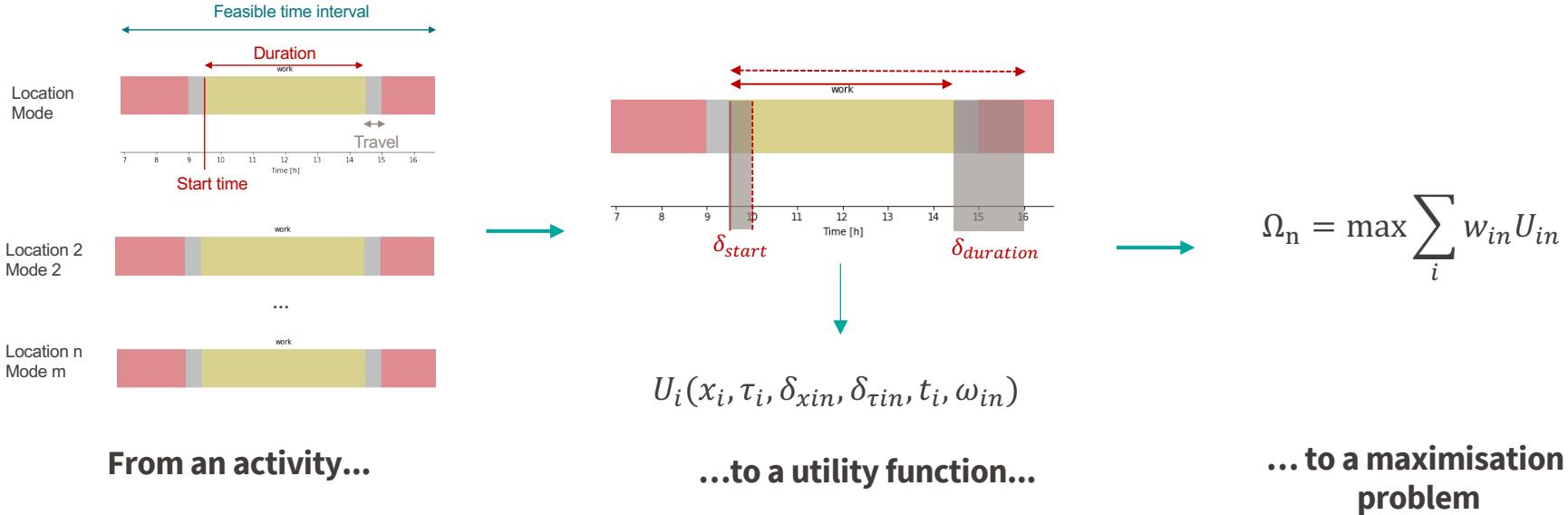
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## Simulation framework



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## ○ Simulation framework

- Successfully implemented in practice (Innosuisse project with SBB)
- Publication available



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## Capturing trade-offs between daily scheduling choices

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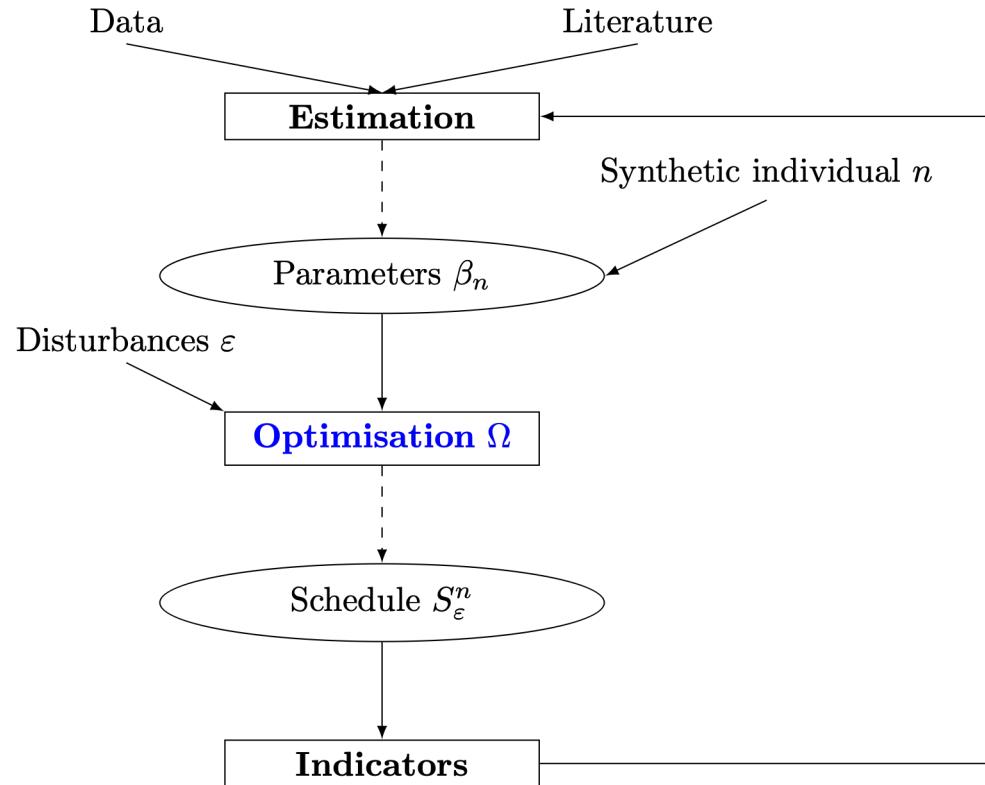
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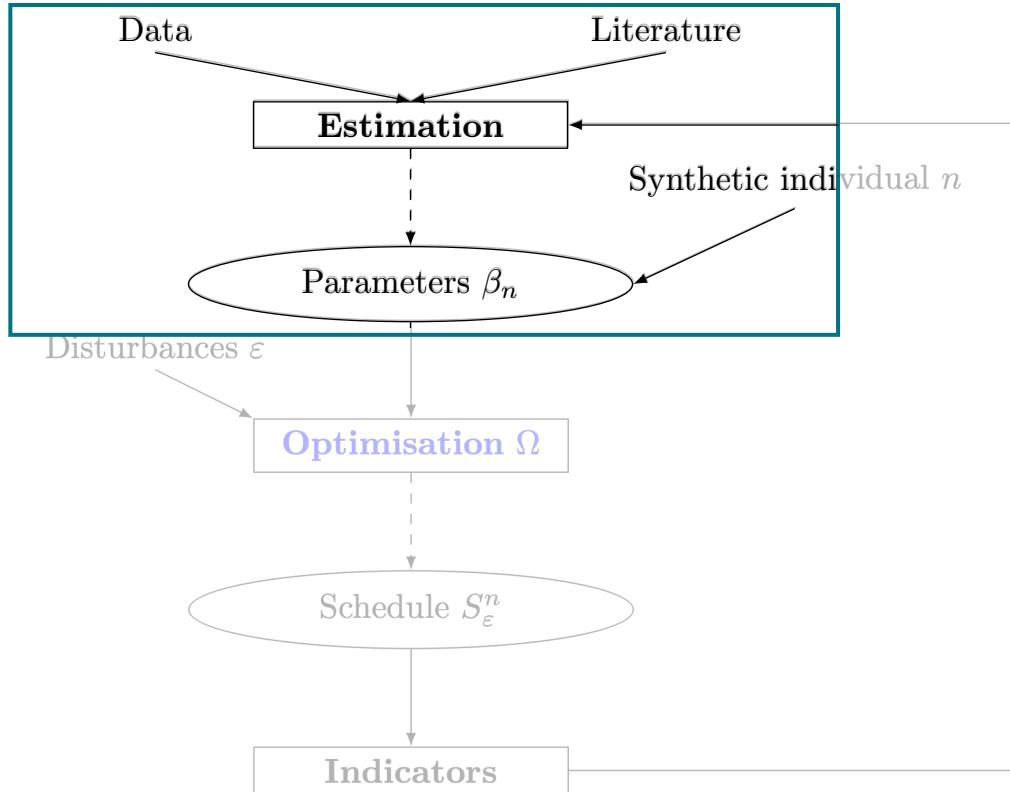
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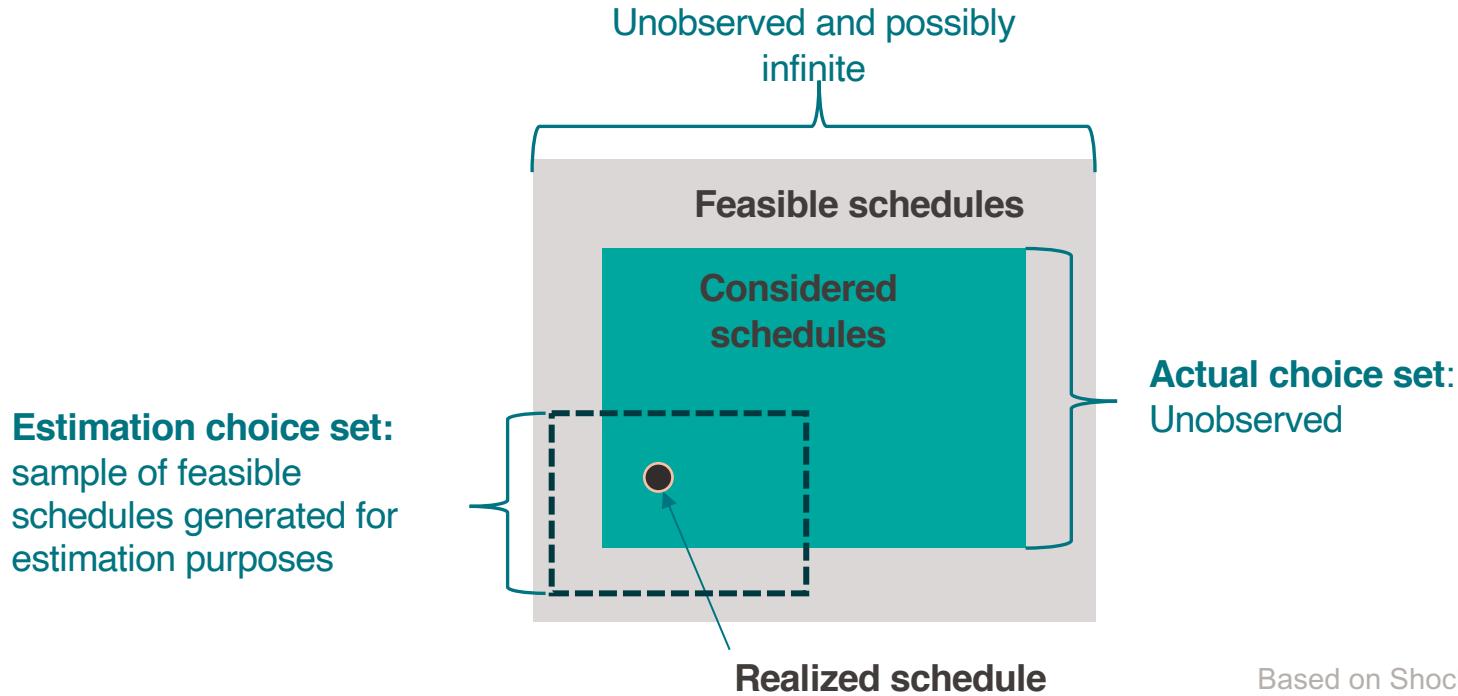
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## Parameter estimation



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- Choice set generation

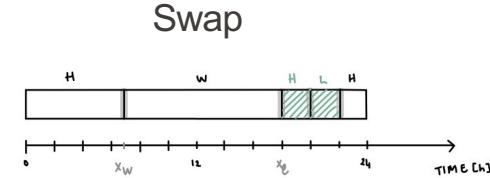
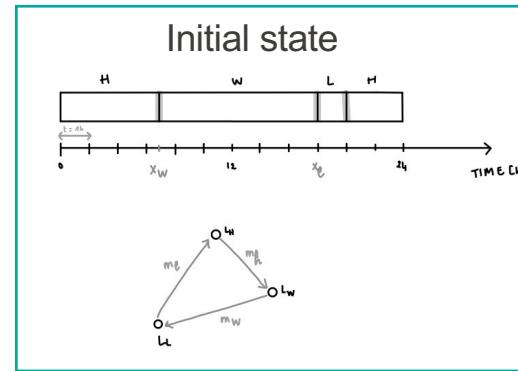
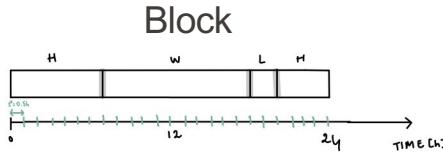


Based on Shocker (1991)

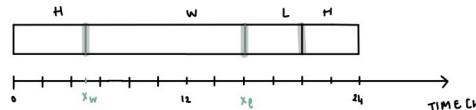
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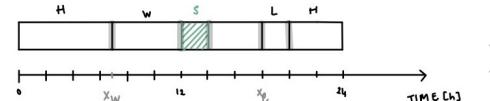
- Metropolis-Hastings sampling of feasible schedules
- STRC 2021



**Inflate/Deflate**



**Assign**



# State of research

## ○ Parameter estimation

- Calibration of DCMs using Biogeme and sampled choice sets
- Case study: Lausanne population in MZMV 2015
- Estimating:
  - Activity specific constants
  - Penalties for schedule deviation
  - Desired times\*
- **STRC 2022**

# Current investigations

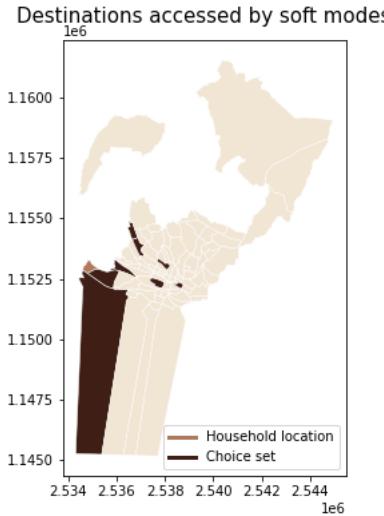
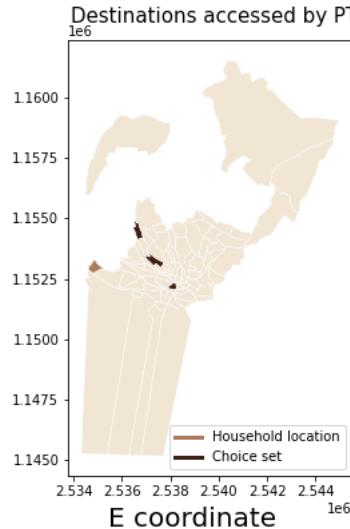
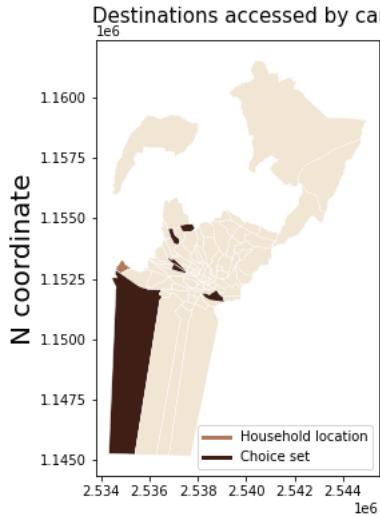
## ○ Simulation framework

- Formulation of the problem using Constraint Programming
- So far 2.5x faster than MILP
- Fully open-source (Google OR-Tools instead of CPLEX)

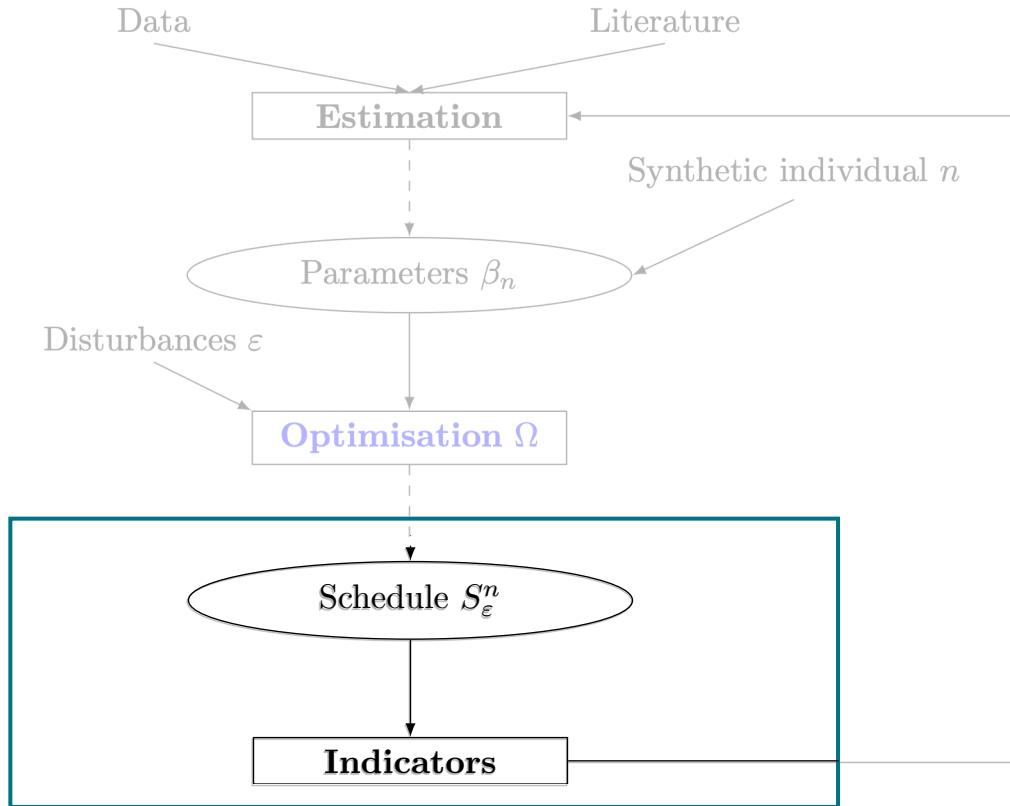
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## ○ Choice set generation

- Generation of choice sets for location and mode
- **ICMC 2022:**
  - N. Salvadé, “Representing mode and location choice within activity-based models”



# Applications



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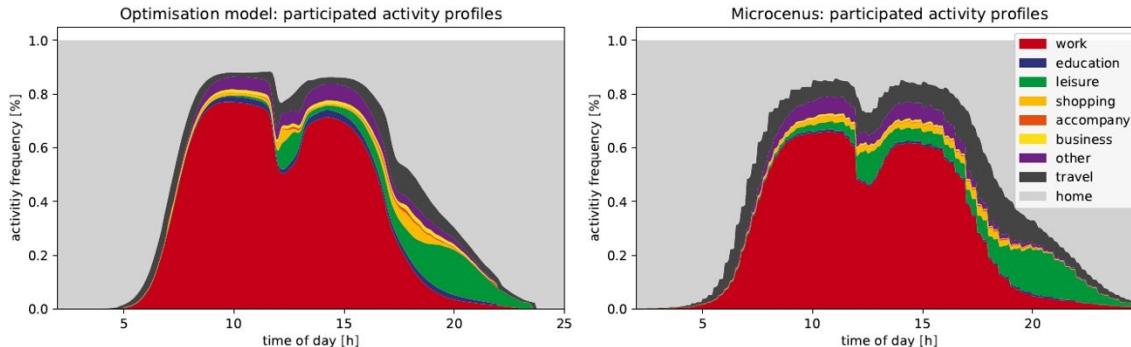
- **OPTIMS (OPTimisation of Individual Mobility Schedules)**

- Sept 2020 – March 2022
- Integration of optimisation model into SIMBA MOBi (SBB's forecasting framework)



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Manser et al (2021)



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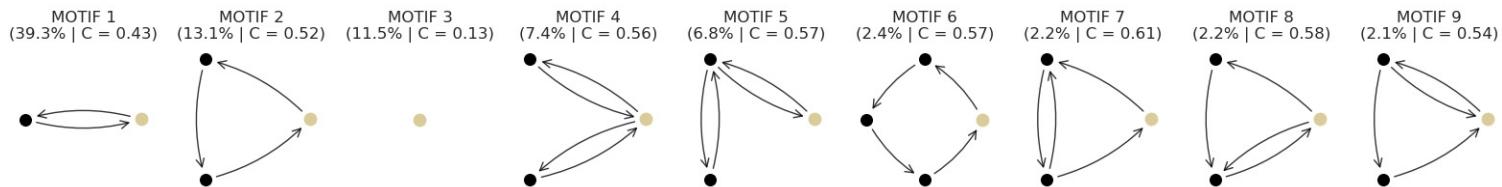
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# What's next?

## ○ Other applications

- Sociological applications (e.g. mobility motifs)
- Shared mobility
- Energy demand
- ...



Schultheiss (2021)

## ○ Output

- Open-source code for the simulator to be released

# Thank you!

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