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# Using Machine Learning to Forecast TaaS Adoption

# The Problem

- Anticipating and preparing for changes in how people travel on roadways
  - TaaS/MaaS
  - CAVs
  - Individuals less likely to own a vehicle
- What does that mean for a toll operator?
  - Road design, technology, capacity, congestion



# The Solution

- Understand past and current customer behavior to predict future behavior
  - Where will CAVs and TaaS-directed traffic arrive first?
- Utilize machine learning to handle the Big Data processing and decisioning



# The (Big) Data



## Trip transaction data

- Calculating and classifying trips



## Account data

- Account type
  - Commercial/Personal
  - Transponder/LPR



## Geographic data

- Location of customers and toll plazas



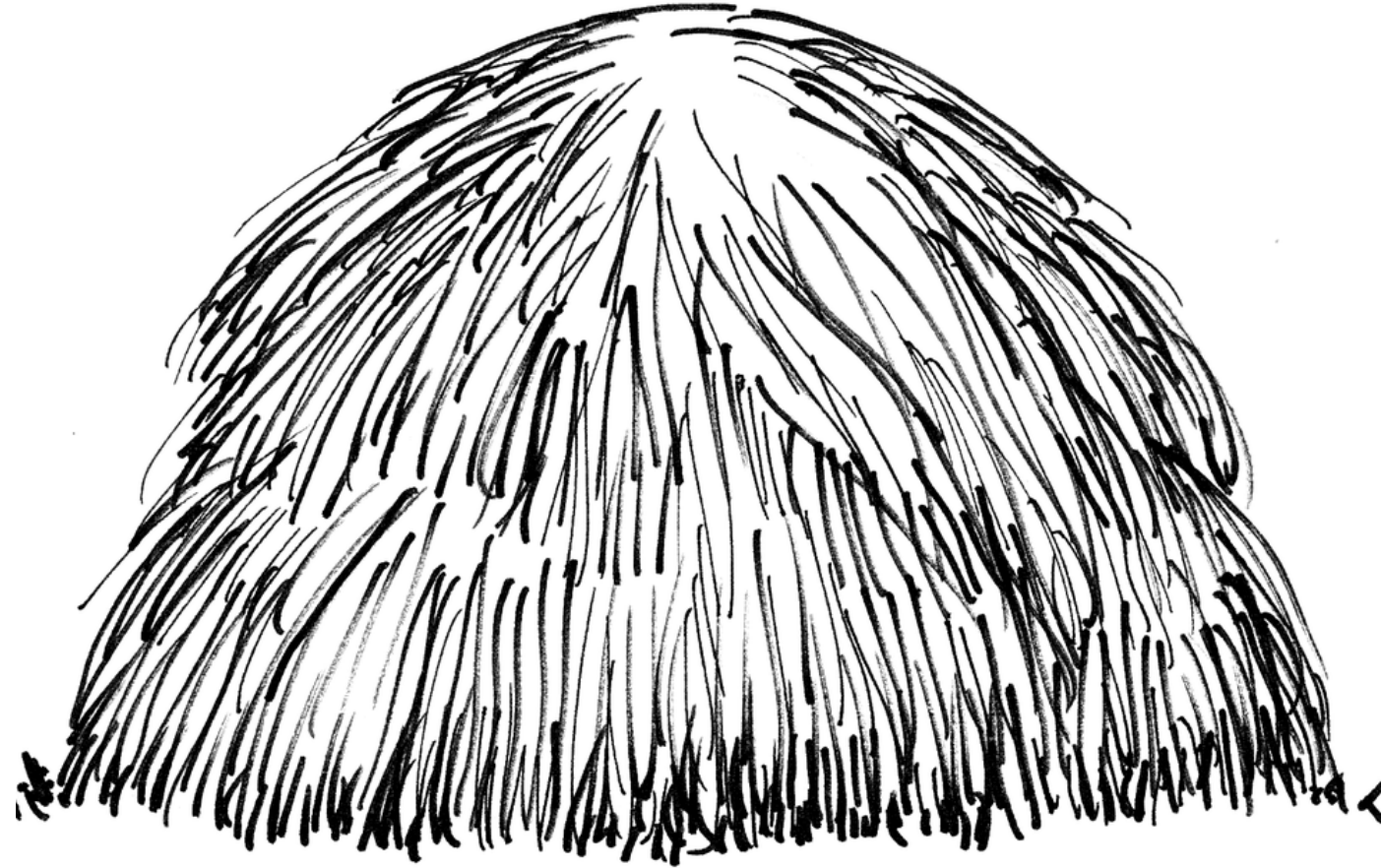
## Demographic data

- Age, income, family status, price sensitivity, tech savviness, hobbies and interests



# Trip Transaction Data

- Examining all trip transaction data



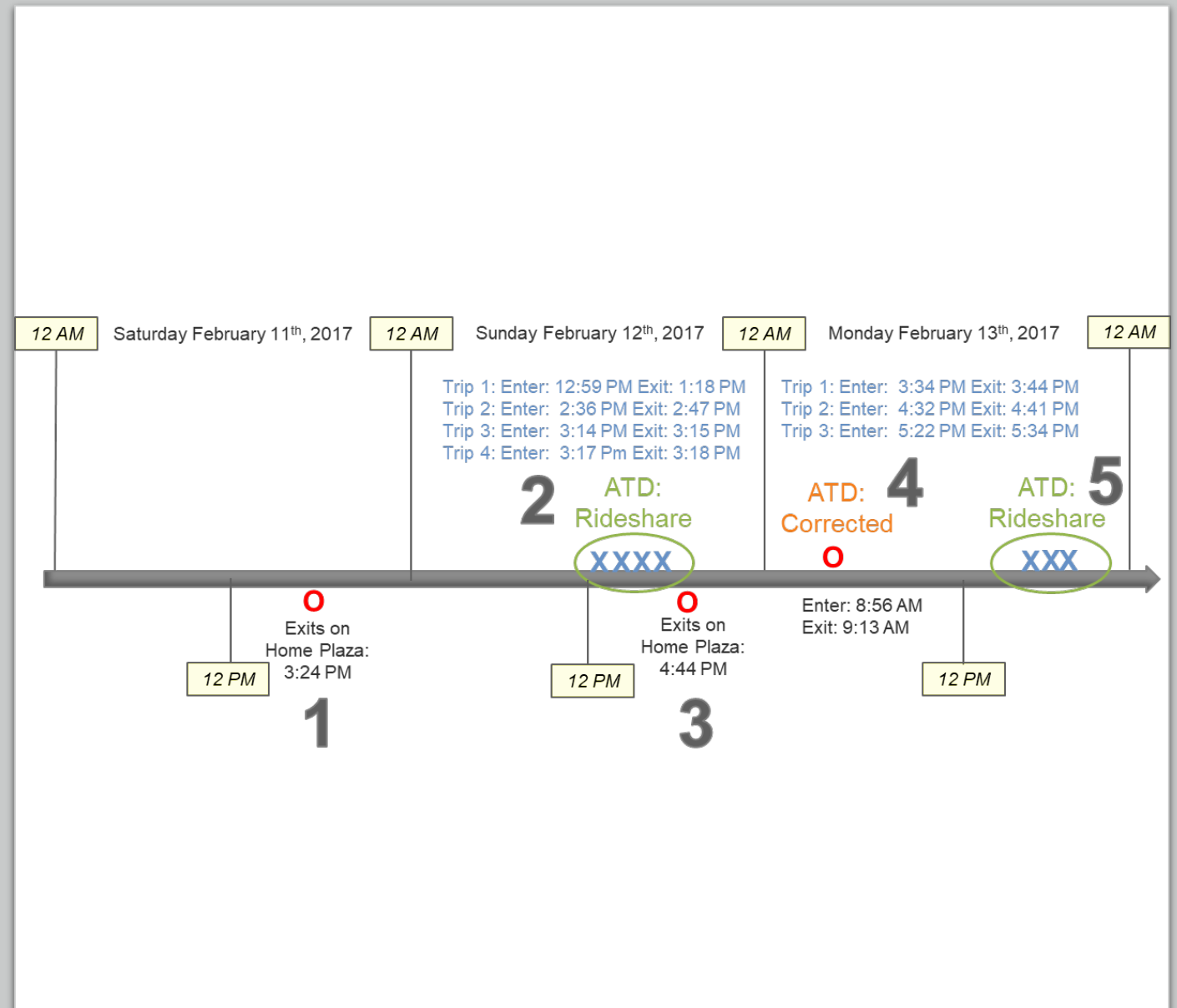
# Evaluating Trips

- For each trip:
  - Unique customer ID
  - Timestamp
  - Origin and Destination (O/D)
- Aggregate trips to the customer level



# Classifying Trips

- Determine:
  - Consistency
  - Frequency
  - Day of week
  - Time of day
  - “Home” plaza
  - “Work” plaza
  - Nearest plaza
  - Most frequently used plazas
  
- The ATD (Abnormal Trip Detector)
  - Evaluates whether these are likely Rideshare trips



**How do you classify  
1 billion trips?**

**1,000,000,000 !**



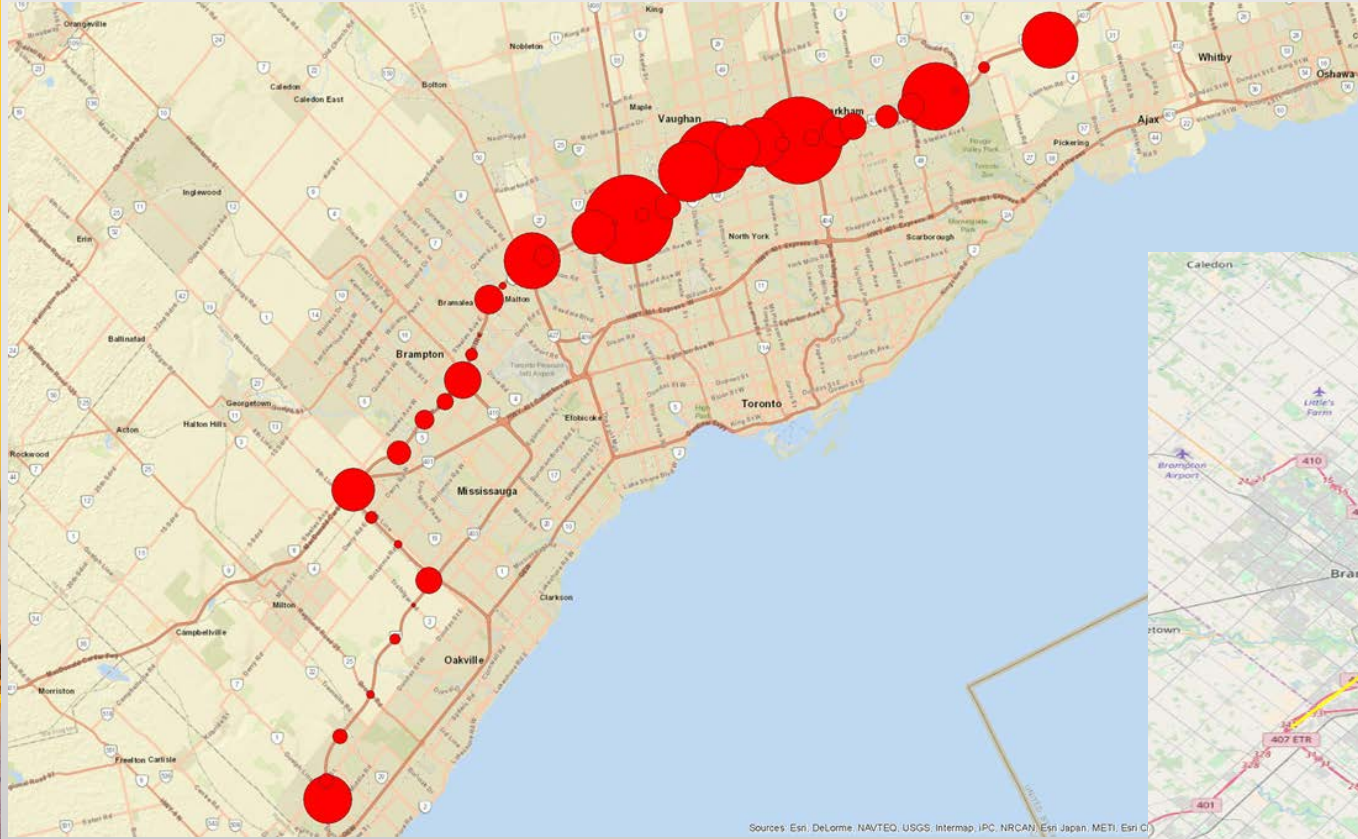


# Machine Learning

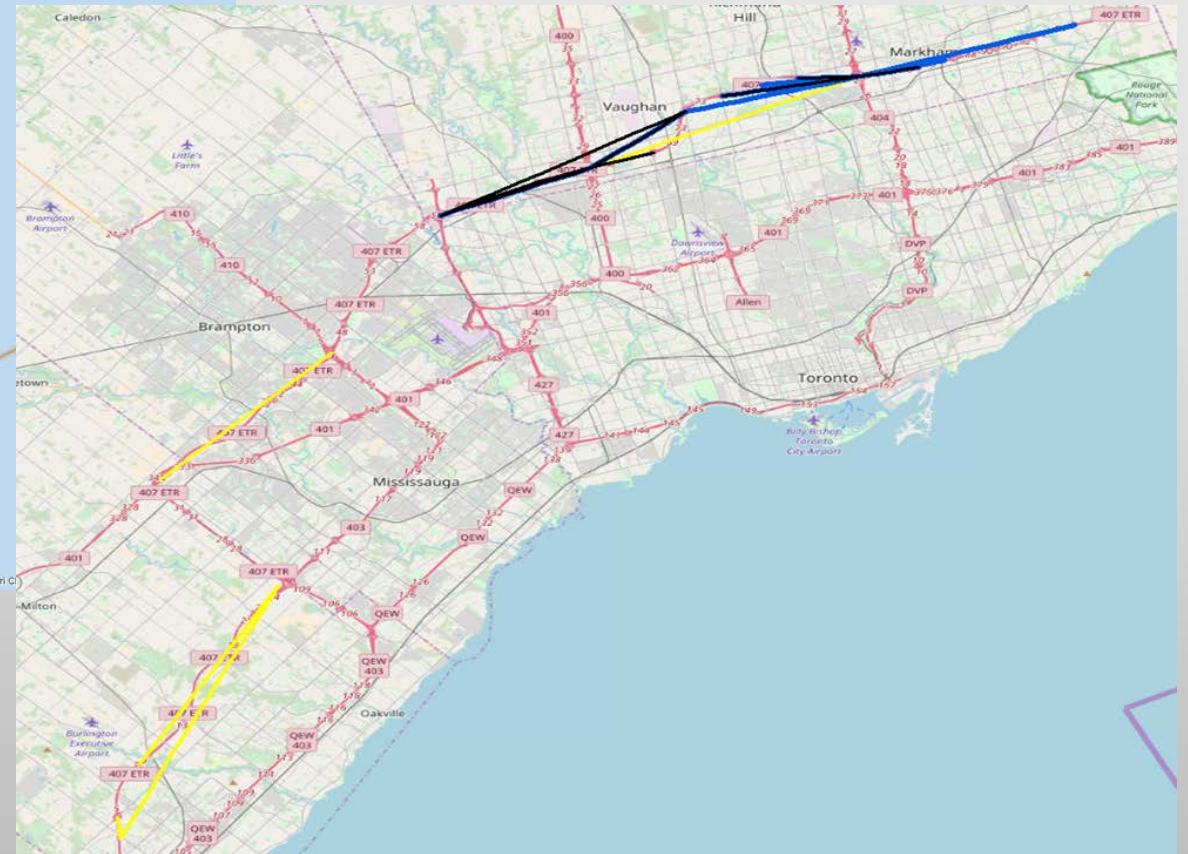
- Machine Learning
  - *artificial intelligence that allows a computer to identify patterns and learn from data with little human intervention*
- The MLRA (Machine Learning Rideshare Algorithm) evaluates every trip and every customer to identify which are rideshare



# Mapping Rideshare Usage



Source: Esri, DeLorme, NAVTEQ, USGS, Intermap, iPC, NRCAN, Esri Japan, METI, Esri C



\*Note: **Black** = Top Rideshare Routes; **Blue** = Top Personal Routes by Rideshare Drivers; **Yellow** = Top Non-Rideshare Driver Routes

# Implications for Tollways

- Predict where CAV and TaaS adoption will first impact tollways
- Plan for CAV and TaaS-enabled roadway needs
  - Lane markings and rumble strips
  - Signage
  - Smart roadways
    - Amount of broadband needed
  - Lane width
  - Congestion points and peak times
  - CAVs providing road maintenance/conditions data to toll agency



# Next Steps

- Continue to train the MLRA
  - More data, more tollways, more cities
  - Primary research
- Identify/infer rideshare customers
  - Insights into behavior, preferences, transportation needs
- Implement roadway updates/changes based on MLRA



# Thank you!

“Vince”, Cogensia’s MLRA server

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