



# Open Research Day

9 April 2025



**13:50-14:20**

*Parallel Sessions- lightning talks followed by breakout session*

## **A108: Digitalized Built Environment II**

Chair: Associate Professor Gyözö Gidofalvi, KTH

## **A123: Digitalized Health Care II**

Chair: Professor Elena Gutierrez Farewik, KTH

# A108: Digitalized Built Environment II

- Lightning talk: Session chair: Associate Professor Gyözö Gidofalvi, KTH

1. DIRAC: Dynamic uRban roAd traffiC noise simulation model using passive and publicly available data (Demo)
2. Faster-than-real-time and high-resolution simulation of fluid flow in engineering applications: indoor climate as a pilot (RP)
3. ChEss Machines For ElectriFiEd Construction SiTes – EFFECT
4. Improving resilience: Using insurance data to design better loss prevention (II)

# **DIRAC: Dynamic uRban roAd traffiC noise simulation model using passive and publicly available data**

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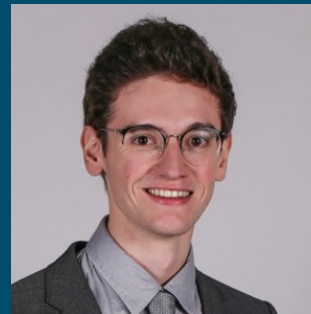
# Project team



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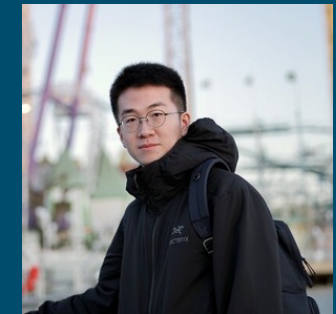
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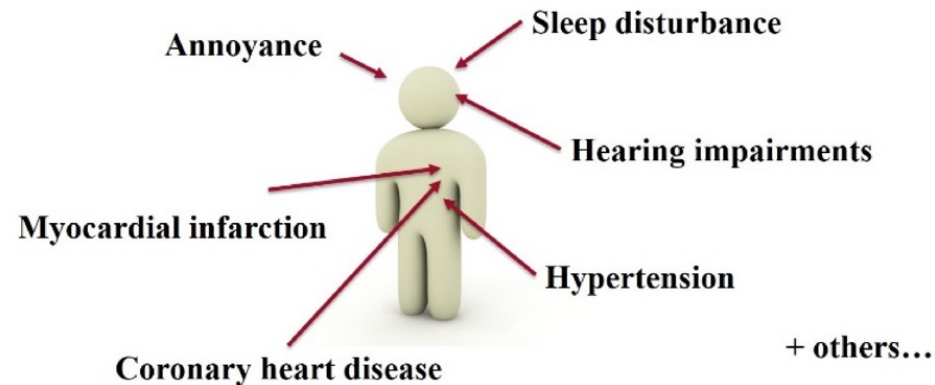


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# Noise in Urban Environments

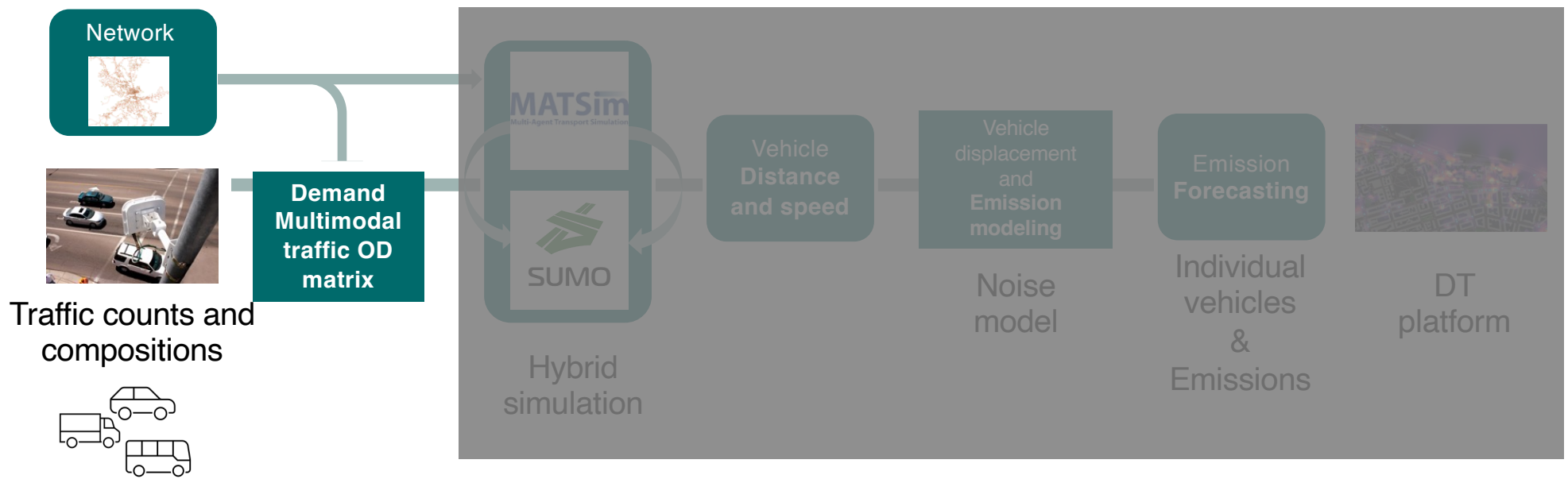


- Quick facts:

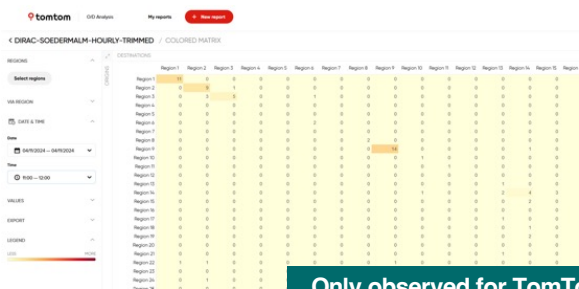
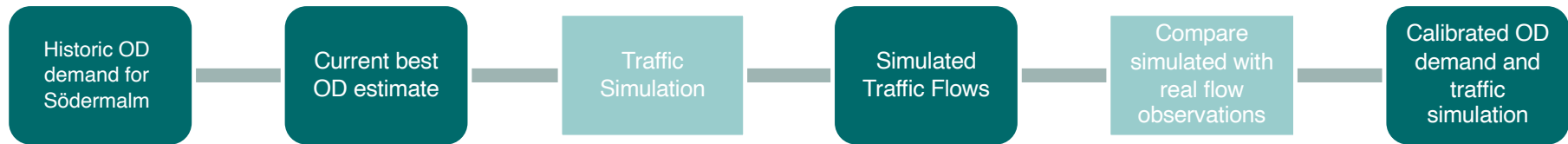
- More than 20% of EU population exposed to harmful noise levels
- UN Projection: Urban population growing from 55% to 68% by 2050
- The noise in urban environment has major health and economic impacts

**➔ Need for detailed assessment, representation and innovative mitigation strategies**

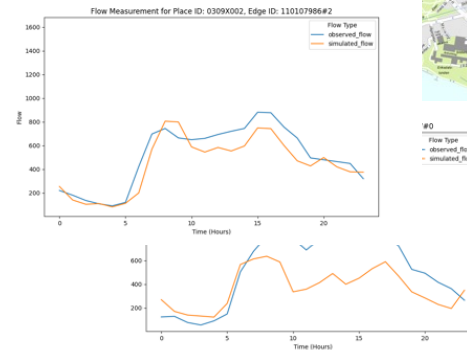
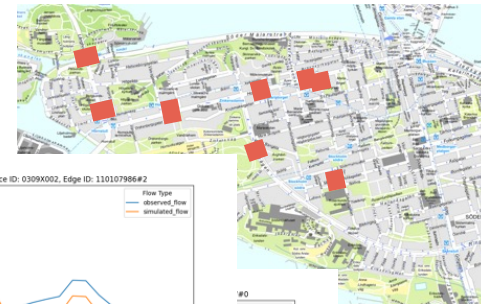
# Full spectrum dynamic emission forecasting



# Demand calibration



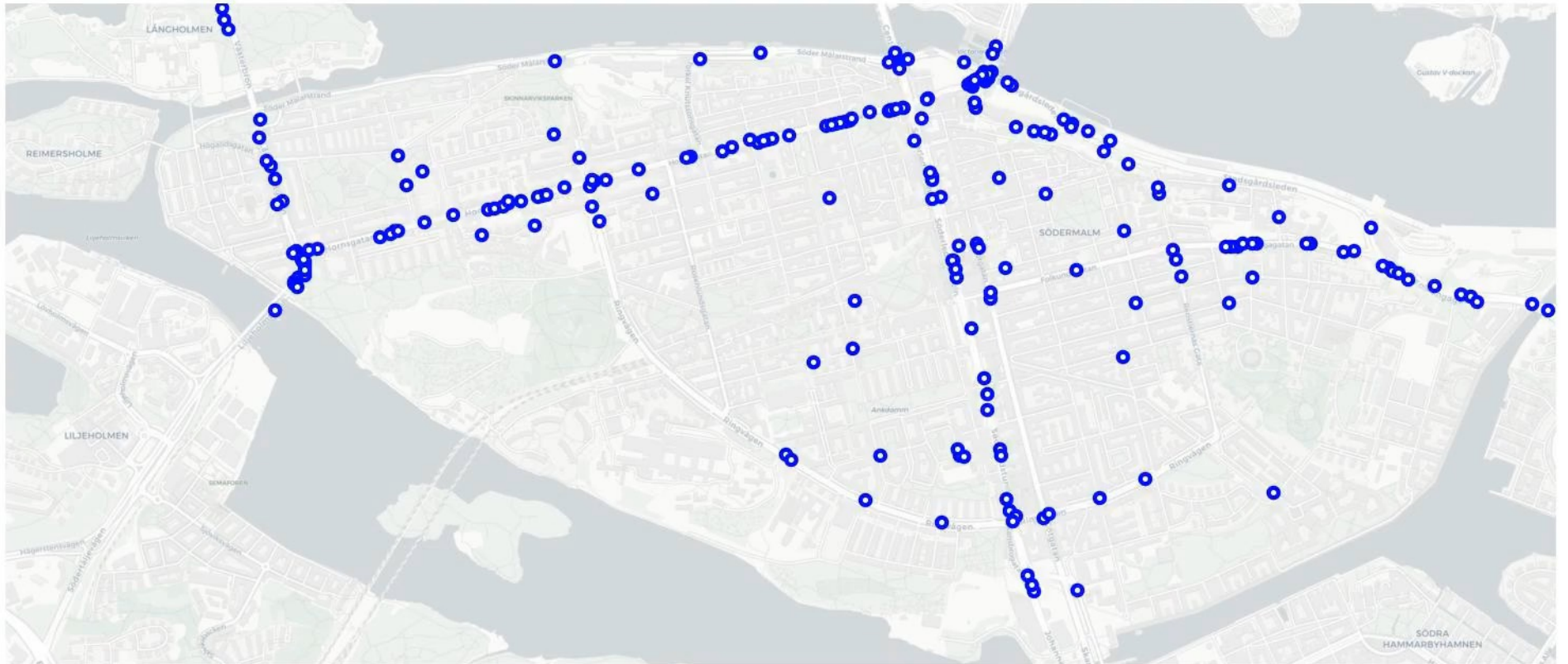
Only observed for TomTom equipped vehicles



Historic real flow observations



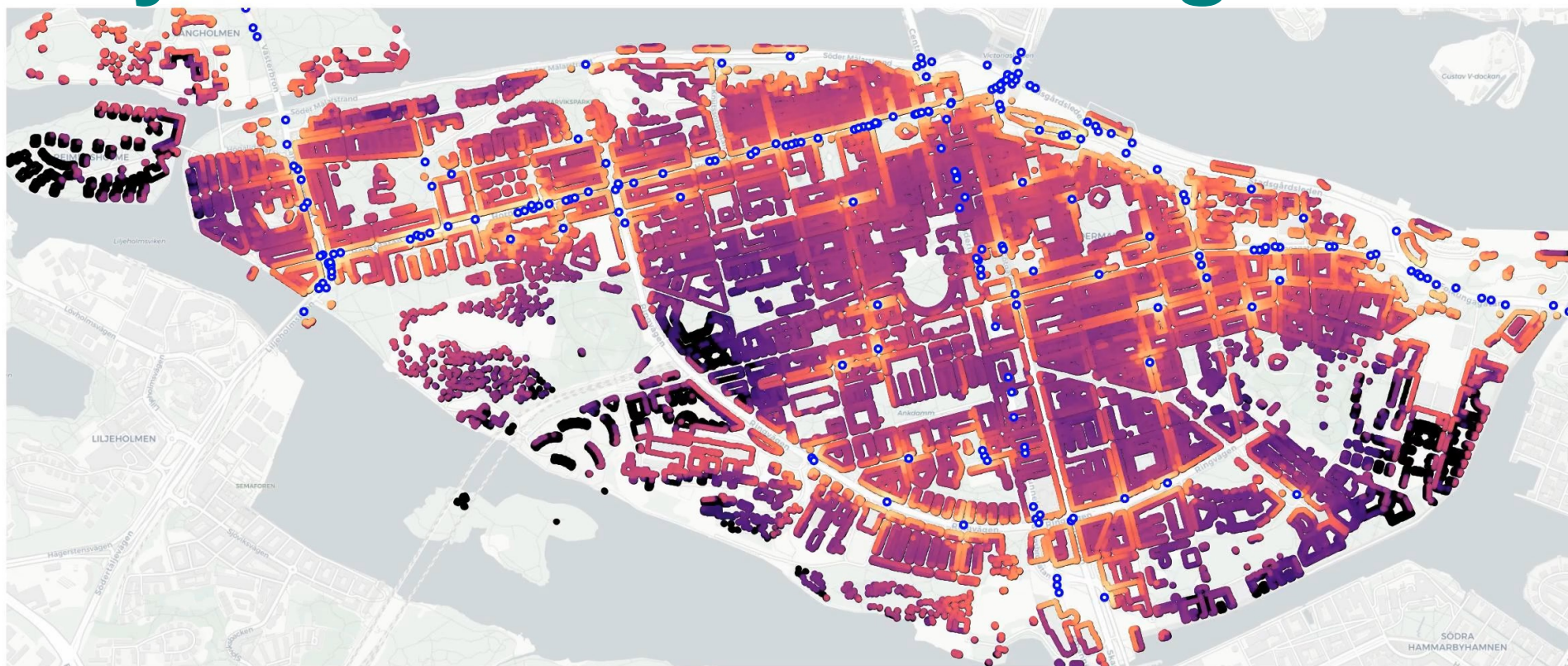
# Micro-traffic results (SUMO)



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# Dynamic noise modelling



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# Standard metric: noise level



# Advanced metric: noise events



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# Thank you for listening

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**Thank you**

# **Faster-than-real-time and high-resolution simulation of fluid flow in engineering applications**

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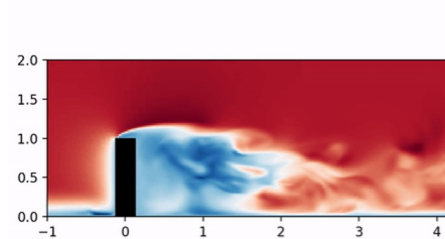
# Introduction

- **Goal**
  - To develop **Reduced Order Models (ROM)** based on **Deep Generative** techniques (diffusion models) for fast and efficient sparse reconstruction of velocity flow fields in urban environments using measurements from optimally placed sensors.
- **Why?**
  - Many times we only have partial observations of flows in nature: sensor can only reach certain distance and we want to know how the whole flow behaves -> Planning the cities of the future
  - Faster than real-time computations since ROM are much quicker than direct numerical simulations: 100ms form vs 10,000ms for a direct numerical simulation step.
  - Knowing what are the main features needed for reconstructing the flow helps us decide what is important to measure: where to place the sensors

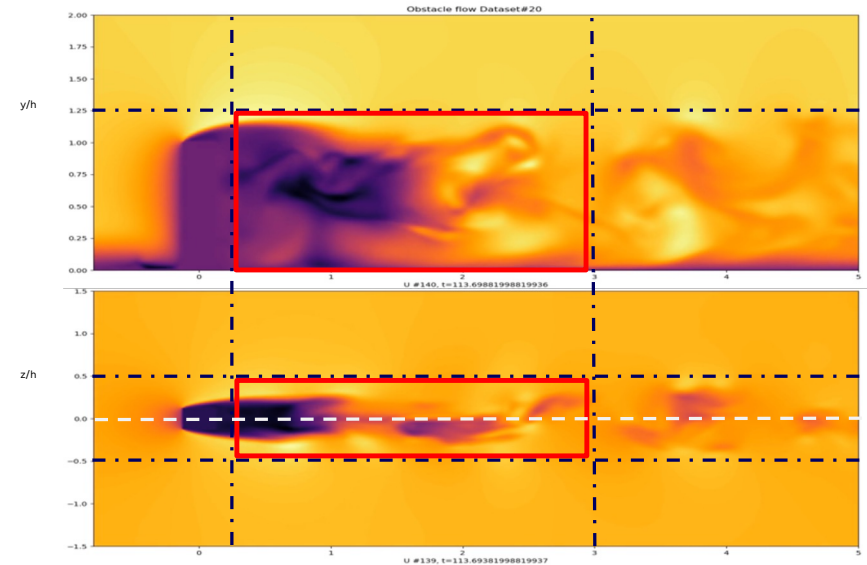
# Datasets: One-obstacle Dataset

We will employ a database of the flow over a square cylinder immersed in incompressible boundary layer:

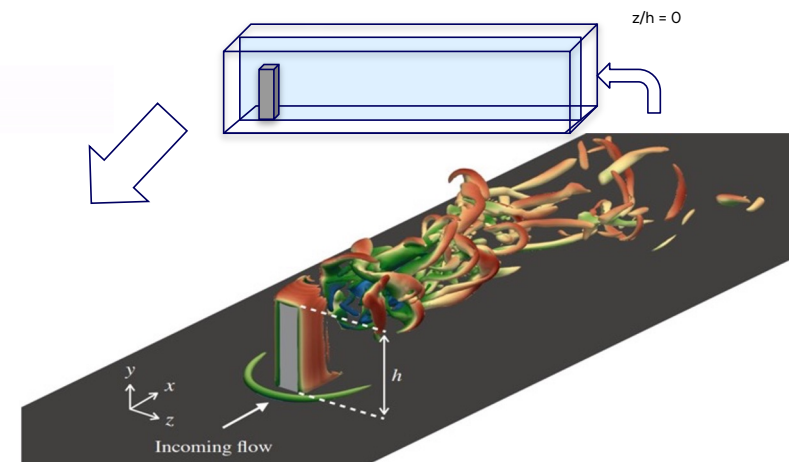
- Direct Numerical Simulation using Nek5000 with **21.8 M** grid points
- Spectrally interpolated on a uniform mesh with resolution (300, 100, 150)
- **Re = 2000**,  **$\Delta t = 0.0001$** ,  **$\Delta t_{\text{snap}} = 0.005$**
- **O(30,000)** instantaneous flow fields  $\sim$  **130** convective time units



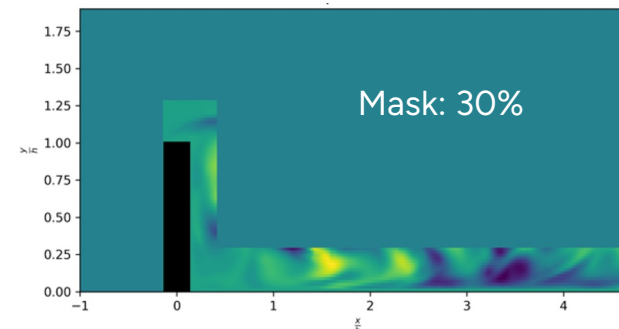
Streamwise velocity fields: side view, top view and 3D view (top to bottom)



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# Results: PiGDM

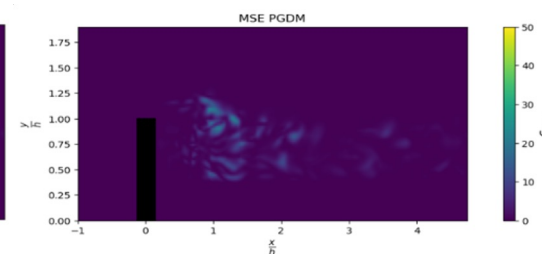
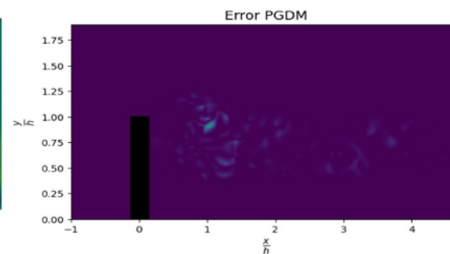
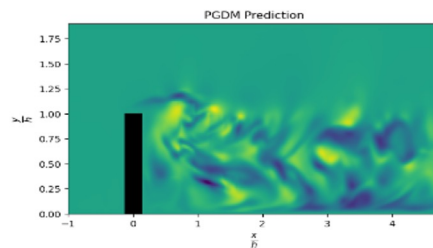
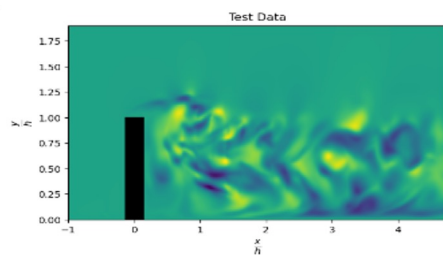


Reconstruction

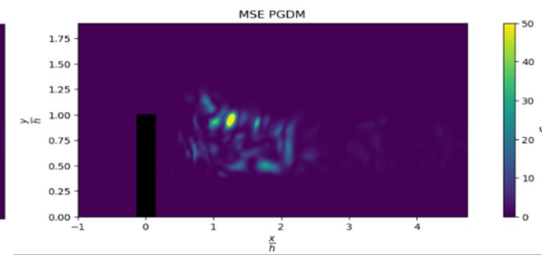
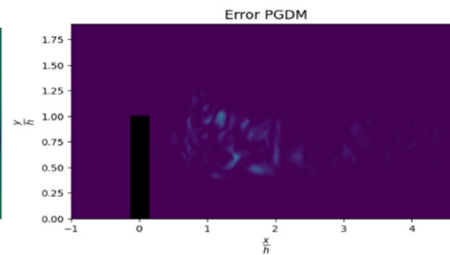
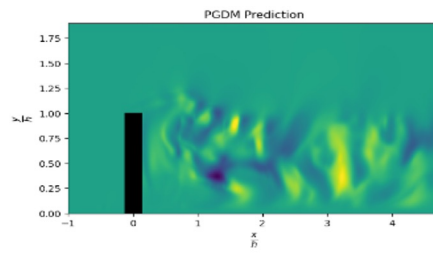
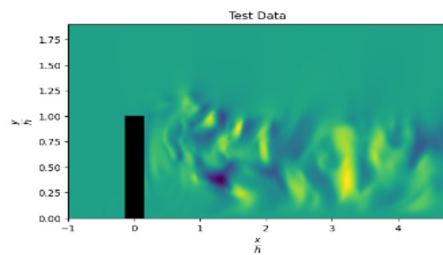
Inst. Error

MSE

$u'$



$v'$



Error ~ 1.5 %, Error in wake region ~ 5%



# Conclusions and future steps

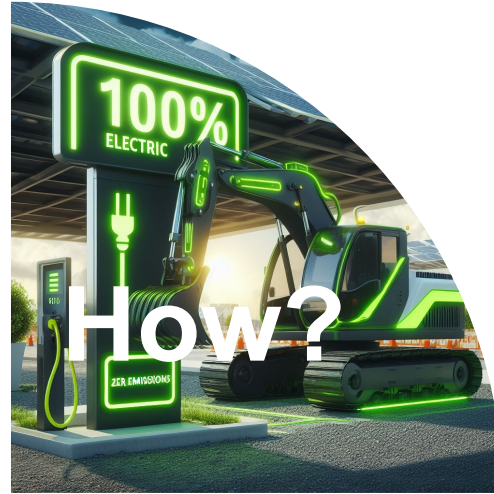
- We have trained models to generate full flow fields from only partial measurements. Physically realistic fields (good physical coherence even starting from noise).
- Reconstruction of full flow fields with PIGDM is very promising (less than 1.5% error) even when masking 70% of the region to the model.
- Faster than real-time generation of flow fields: 100ms form vs 10,000ms for a direct numerical simulation step.
- Next: Identify which are the most relevant regions for prediction of the future states using Shapley additive explanations values.

**Thank you**



# EFFECT-Persika: ChEss Machines For Electrified Construction Sites

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## Trends, problems & needs

- 4 billion people in **cities**, projected to increase to **6.5 billion** by **2050**
- **23%** of global **GHG** emissions come from **city construction**
- Must find **sustainable ways** to **maintain, retrofit & create the built environment**
- How can electrification help?



# EFFECT – Persika

Persika Living Lab of urban construction of 1200 apartments with 2 electric excavators (2x400 kWh) and 2 e-trucks (230 & 350 kWh) and an AC/DC charging station (2x120 & 4x22 kW) with battery storage (240 kWh)



Digital Twin of Electrified Construction Operations (ECO)



- Insights into costs & benefits of ECO
- Methods to evaluate & optimize ECO





# Research questions

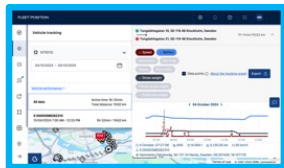
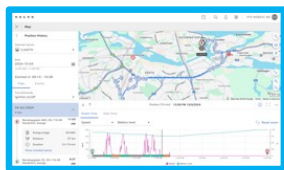
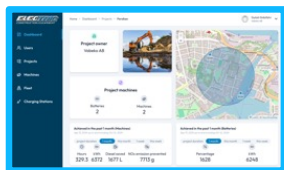
- What are the **costs and benefits** of electrified operations compared to diesel?
- Would the electrified operations been **possible with another other configuration**, e.g.:
  - 50% less batteries in machines
  - 50% faster chargers
  - 25% more station battery
  - 50% less grid power
- What is the **minimal cost configuration** for an electrified operation?
- How can **smart charging** affect all this?



# EFFECT – Persika approach



Special-purpose dashboards

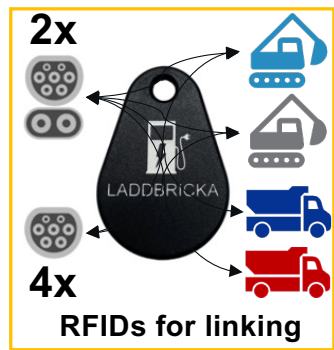


Identify and extract relevant data



Work and charging operations

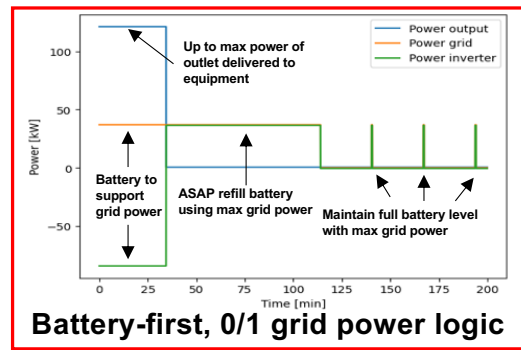
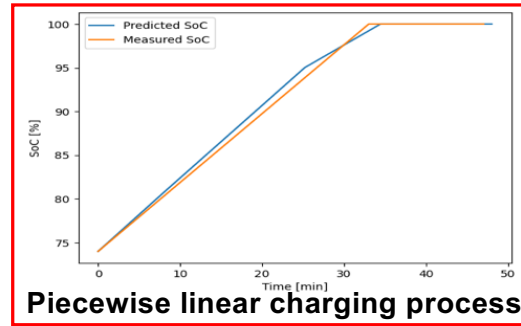
Work periods & energy uses  
Charging sessions & amounts (SoC)



Estimate parameters from data



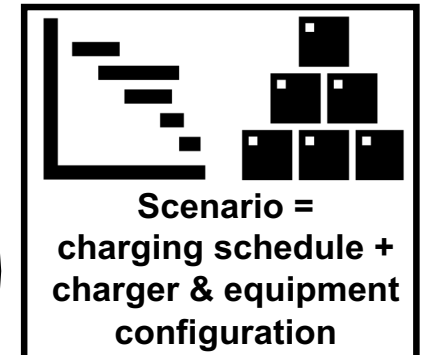
Event-driven simulation of charging processes and logic



Evaluate and optimize scenarios



Diesel	Electric
7.6 t CO <sub>2</sub>	0 t CO <sub>2</sub>
8 kg NO <sub>x</sub>	0 kg NO <sub>x</sub>



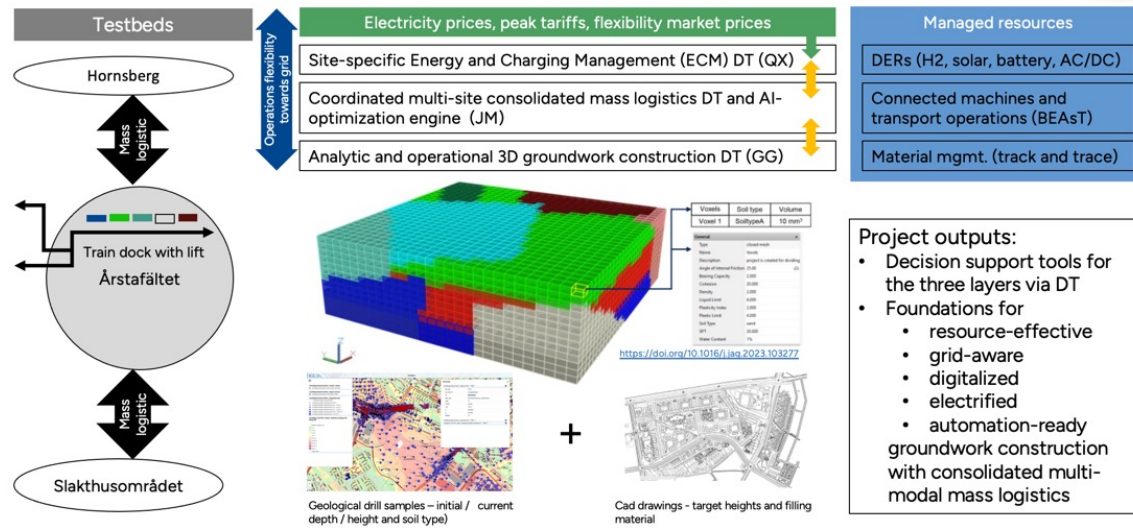
2834 liter	11 056 kWh
56.7 ksek	16.7 ksek

Diesel	Electric



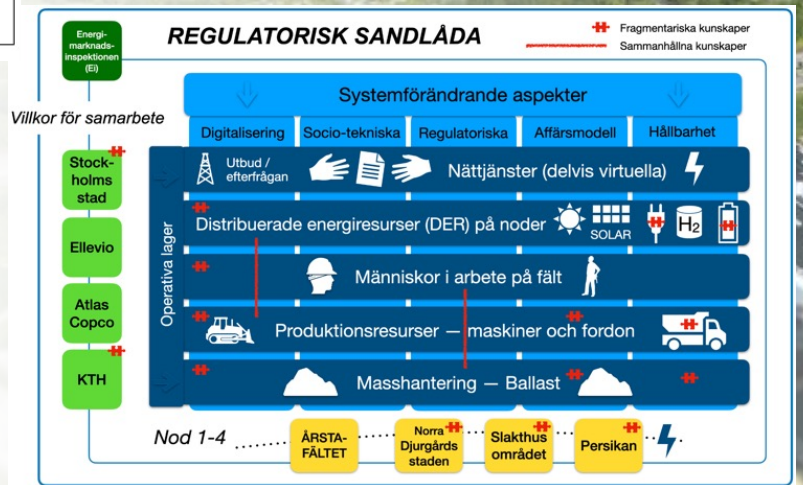


# EFFECT – Persika: a seed bed



**Digital twinS, process optimization, and decision Support for fIExible eleCTrified groundworks construction (DISSECT)**

**Regulatory sandbox to integrate a digitalized construction industry into the grid**





**Thank you**

# Improving resilience: Using insurance data to design better loss prevention

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# Project team

## Team

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- PhD Student: Jiyau Zhang (KTH)
- Partner: St Erik Försäkring AB (Stockholms Stad)
- 2024-2026

# Project

How can insured losses be reduced?

Project partner City of Stockholm insures its properties via St Erik

- Among others 70,000 apartments
- Schools and Sports arenas
- Combine 20 years of insurance data with administrative data
- Study and design a targeted intervention to reduce losses
- Monitor intervention

# Loss prevention and mitigation

Expected losses  $E(L) = \sum_{i=1}^N (p_i * L_i)$

where:

p is probability and L is size of loss.

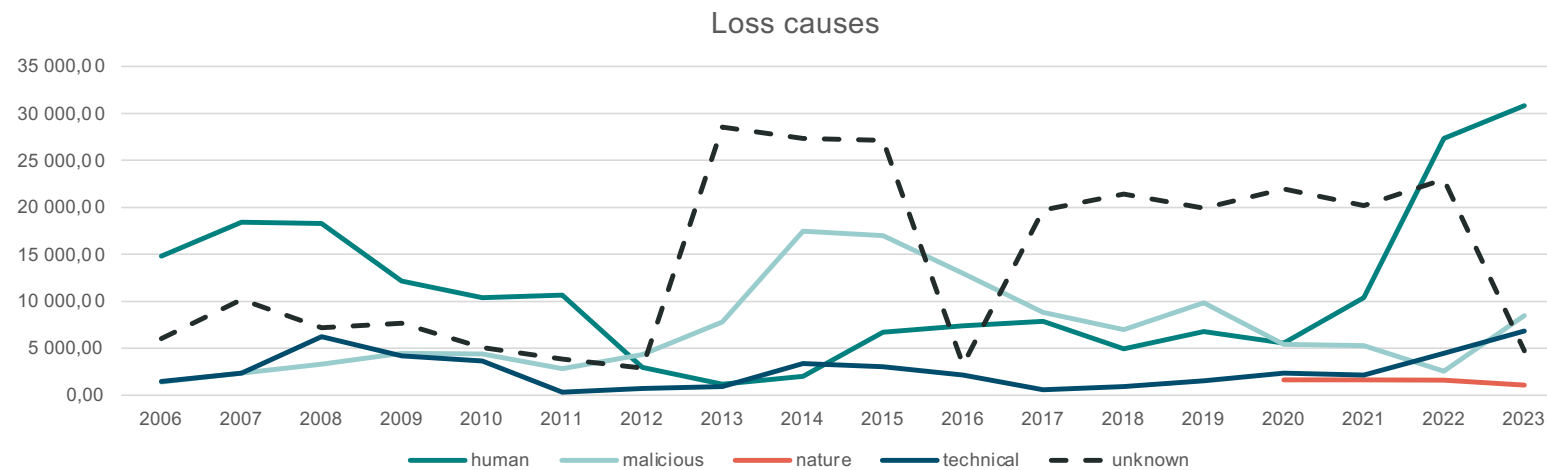
- Loss prevention reduces p
- Loss mitigation reduces L

# What is the cause insurance claims?

1. Accidents / acts of god
  2. Human behaviour (inattention / malicious acts)
  3. Technical failure
- Loss prevention is relevant for (2) and (3).
  - Mitigation is relevant for all categories.

# What causes the claims?

## Claims development over time (sum of claims)







**Thank you**

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