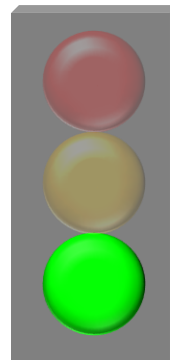


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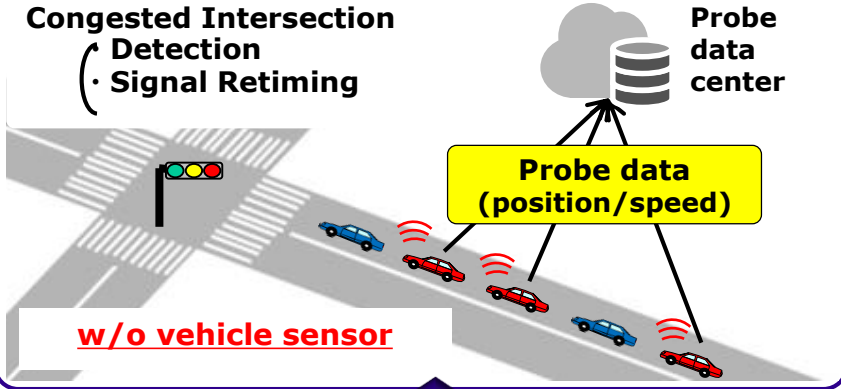
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*We are expecting that probe based data will become key resource for traffic signal control. And it will relieve from the detector equipment and maintenance.*

## Overview

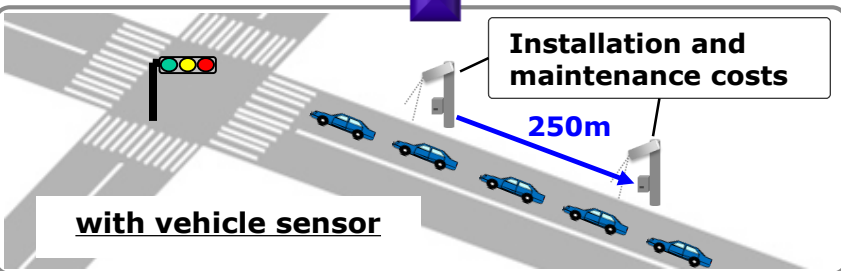
**Congested Intersection Detection**  
• Signal Retiming



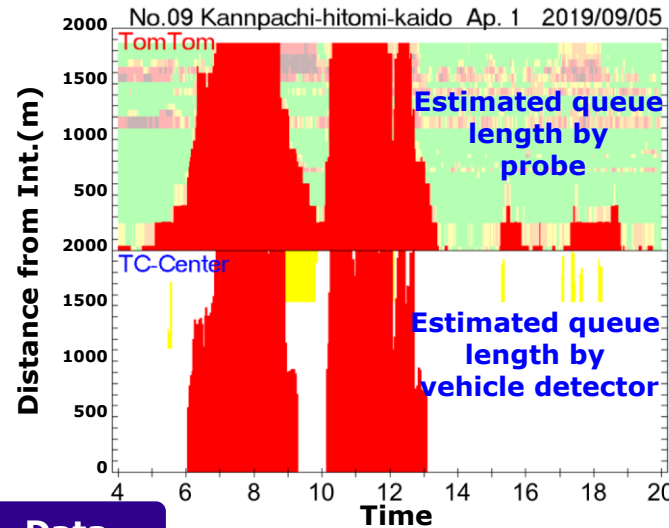
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250m

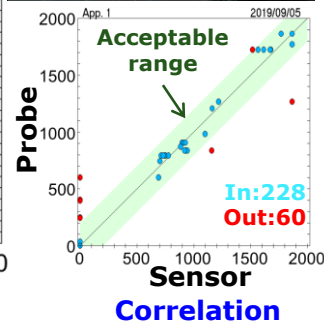
with vehicle sensor



## Comparison



Kanpachi-hitomi-kaido Int.



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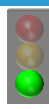
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# Signalized intersection analysis (Case in Japan)

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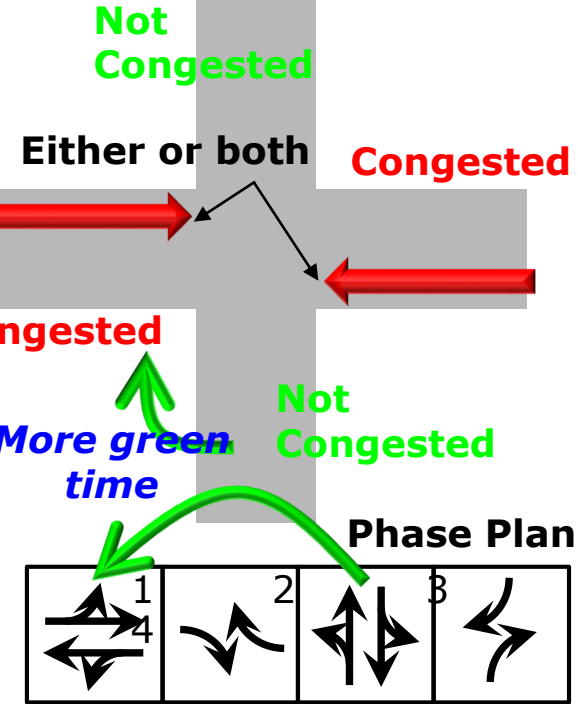
# Tokyo

### Kan8 Hitomi-Kaido Int.

### Shin-Hukurobashi Int.

- Target area
- Unbalanced Intersection
  - congested in more than 50% of all time
  - congested in 25-50% of all time
  - congested in less than 25% of all time

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# New Method Development

**Indexes such as "Degree of saturation", "TOSI" can be obtained from probe data even if vehicle detectors are not installed at intersection.**

Newell mentioned average delay time per vehicle ( $w$ ) can be obtained the formula as follows;

$$w = 0.5(1-g/c)^2 * c / (1-q/s_f)$$

Newell, Gordon F : Theory of highway traffic signals, ITS Reports 1989(07), Jan.1989

This formula can be modified to  $q =$ .

$$q = \{1 - (c-g)^2 / (2wc)\} s_f \quad \{\text{Under-saturation}\}$$

Extension of the theory for over saturation

$$q = \{1 - (c-g)/c\} s_f \quad v_q = [\{w - (c-g)/2\} / (c-g)] * \{1 - (c-g)/c\} s_f \quad \{\text{Over-saturation}\}$$

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 $v_q$  : Vehicles in queue

$s_f$  can not be taken from probe data, however!!

\*This technique is protected by U.S.patent 11,263,900.

Degree of saturation

$$D = \frac{q * c}{s_f * g} = \frac{\{1 - (c-g)^2 / (2wc)\} * c}{s_f * g}$$

The temporal oversaturation severity index (TOSI)

$$TOSI = \frac{L/J \times H}{g} = \frac{L/J}{s_f \times g} = \frac{[\{w - (c-g)/2\} / (c-g)] * \{1 - (c-g)/c\} s_f}{s_f \times g}$$

$L$  : Minimum residual queue length (feet)

$J$  : Headway under congested traffic conditions (feet)

$H$  : Saturation discharge headway (sec.)

$L/J$  : Vehicles in queue

$H = 1/s_f$

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s13177-021-00292-z#author-information>

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Traffic Signal Control Parameter Calculation Using Probe Data

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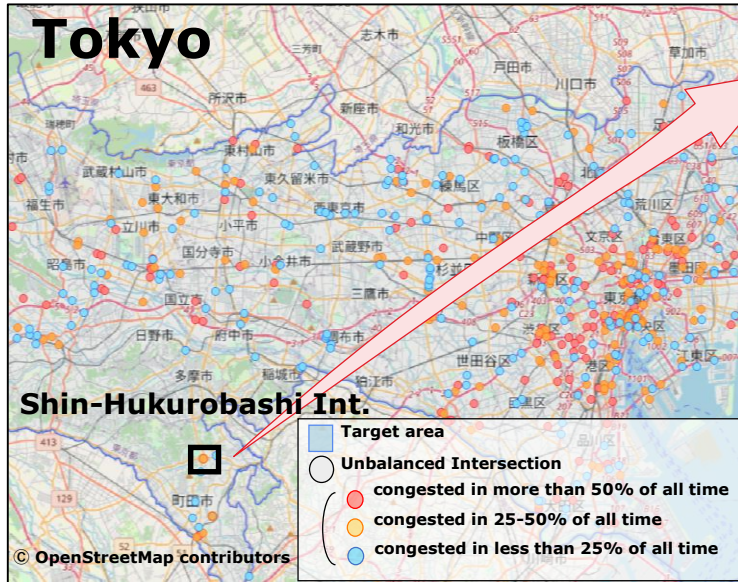
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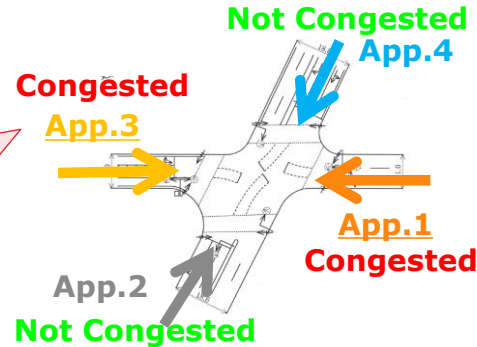
# Use Case in Tokyo, Japan

**The new methods were implemented at the intersections in Tokyo.**  
**And the results proved the effectiveness of the methods.**

- Probe-based detection of "Unbalanced Intersections"

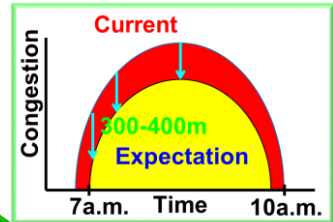


- Probe-based signal parameter retiming

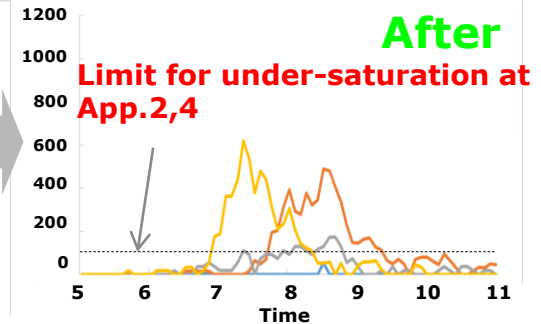
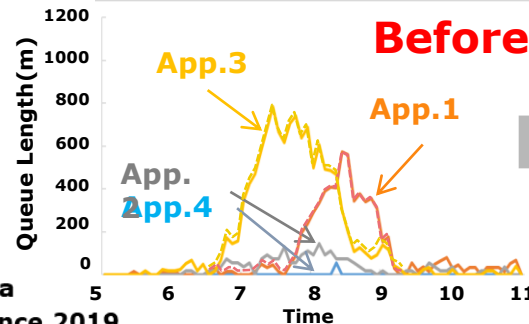
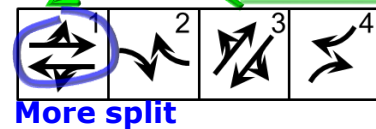


7 to 9a.m.

3 to 4%



Phase Plan



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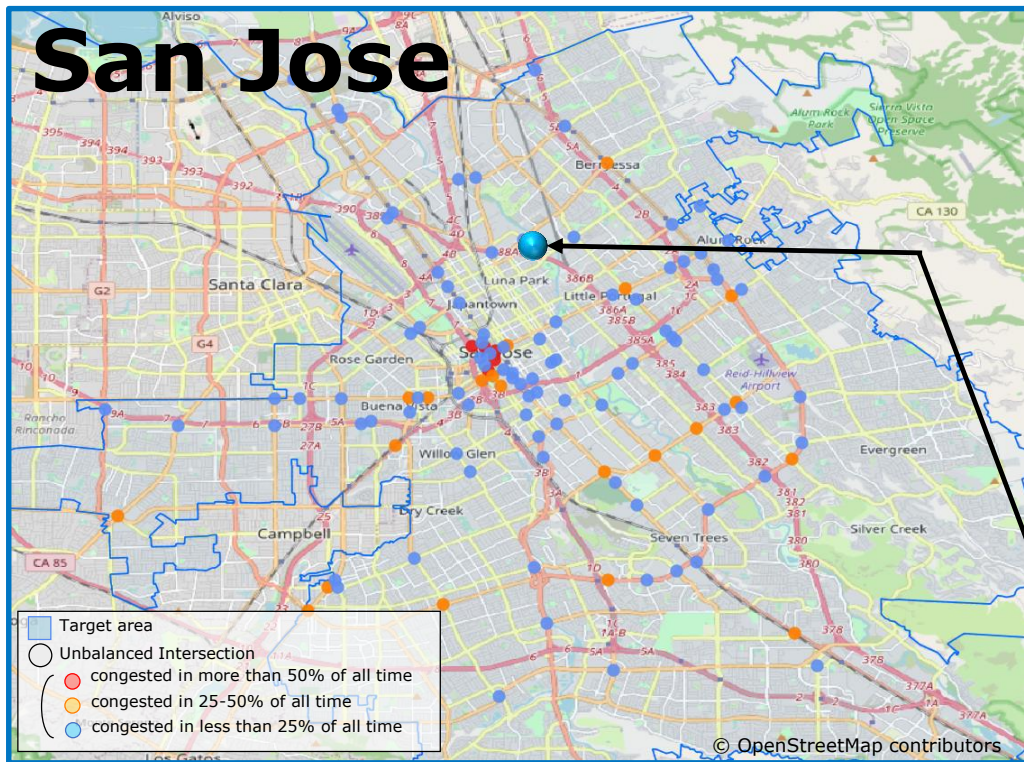
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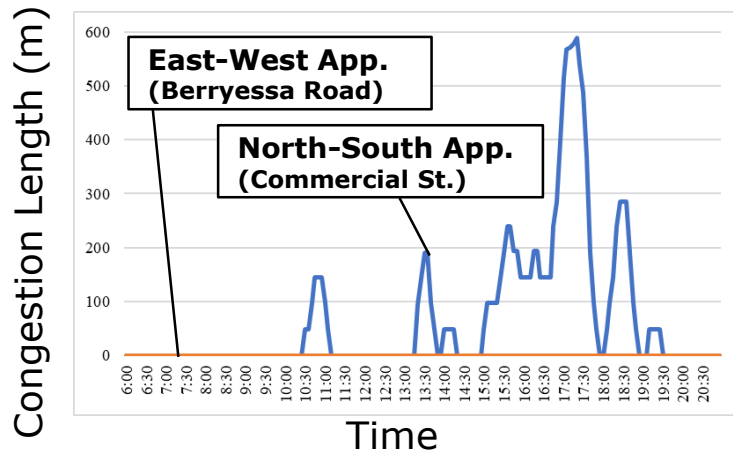
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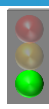
\* Period:  
**1 - 5, Aug., 2022**

\* Unbalanced Intersections:  
**116 / 1052 (about 11%)**

Ex) 1 Aug., 2022



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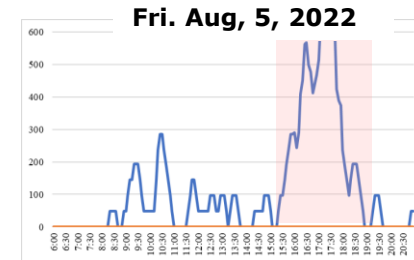
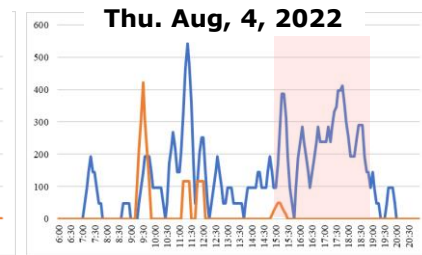
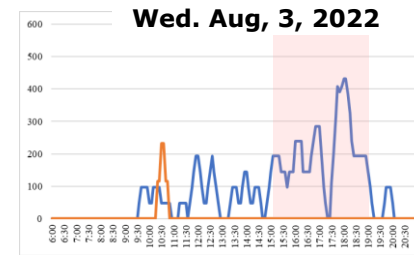
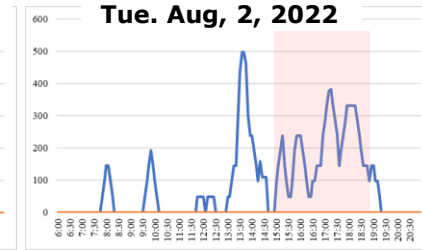
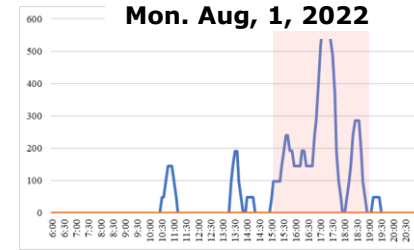
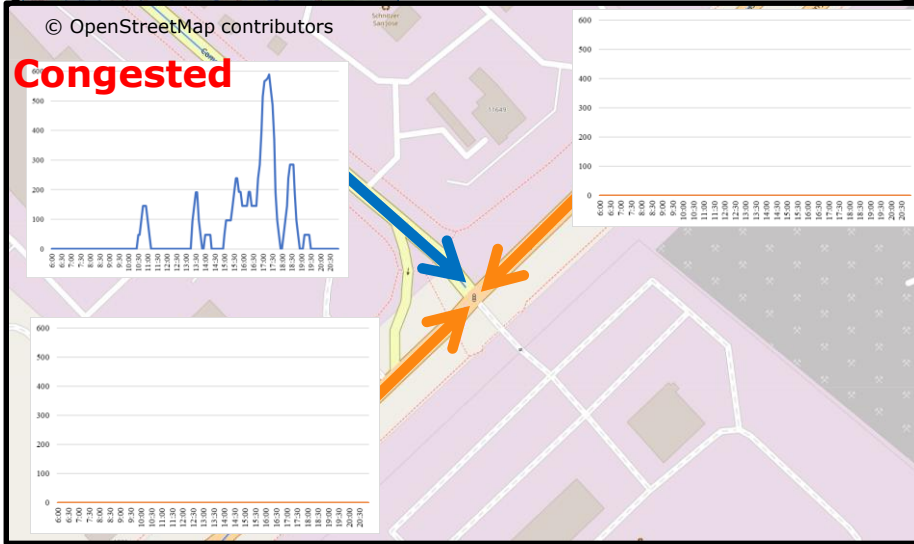


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Intersection of  
\*Commercial St.  
\*Berryessa Road



**Room for signal  
retiming in the  
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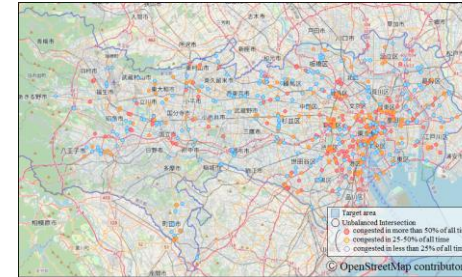
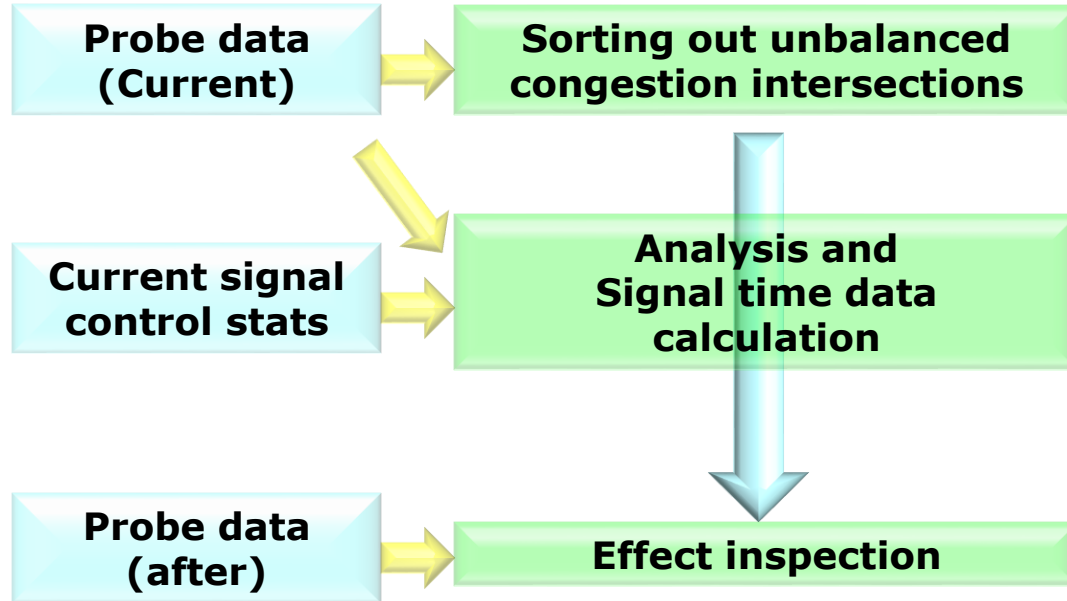
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# Work flow for making safe and smooth traffic flow with probe data analysis



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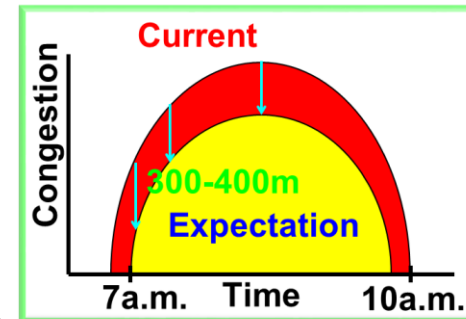
If  $w > (c-g)/2$  Over-saturation

$$q = (1 - (c-g)/c) s_f$$

$$v_q = \{[w - (c-g)/2] / (c-g)\} * \{1 - (c-g)/c\} s_f$$

$$L_q = \frac{q + k * v_q}{s_f}$$

$k$  : Usage ration of /  
 $V_q$  : Vehicles in queue (veh./sec.)  
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