

SCAG Transportation Models Update

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SCAG Modeling Task Force

Modeling and Forecasting

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Outline

- **SCAG Trip-Based Model Updates**
- **SCAG Activity-Based Model Updates**
- **Software & Hardware**
- **SCAG ABM Framework**

TBM Updates since 2012 RTP/SCS

- **Updated various model modules including:**
 - Auto ownership model
 - Trip production model
 - Heavy-Duty Truck Model (particularly warehouse component)
 - Parking cost model

TBM Updates (continued)

- **Updated various model inputs including:**
 - SED (with new income category)
 - Highway and transit networks
 - Trip-in-motion factors

TBM Updates (continued)

- **Updated various model parameters including:**
 - Auto operating cost, HDT cost, Value of time
 - All cost-related variables and parameters updated from \$1999 to \$2011
- **Recalibrated destination choice model and mode choice model**
- **Validated to year 2012 conditions**

SCAG ABM Updates

- **Completed Model Estimations:**
 - For 40+ sub-models
- **Conducted 1st Peer Review Panel on June 26th 2014:**
 - Overall the comments were positive
 - Some concerns about complexity of the model

Name	Type	
Eric Pihl	Federal	Panel member
Chaushie Chu	SCAG Region	Panel member
Guy Rousseau	MPO	Panel member
David Ory	MPO	Panel member
Cynthia Chen	University	Panel member
Eric Miller*	University	Panel member
Keith Lawton	Consultant	Panel member
Tom Rossi	Consultant	Panel member
Ken Cervenka	Federal	Advisor

SCAG ABM Assessment

- SCAG staff initiated an internal review procedure of the SCAG ABM Development.
- Each sub-model has been reviewed and analyzed by SCAG staff.
- Based on our data analysis, about 70% of sub-models have been enhanced by SCAG staff.

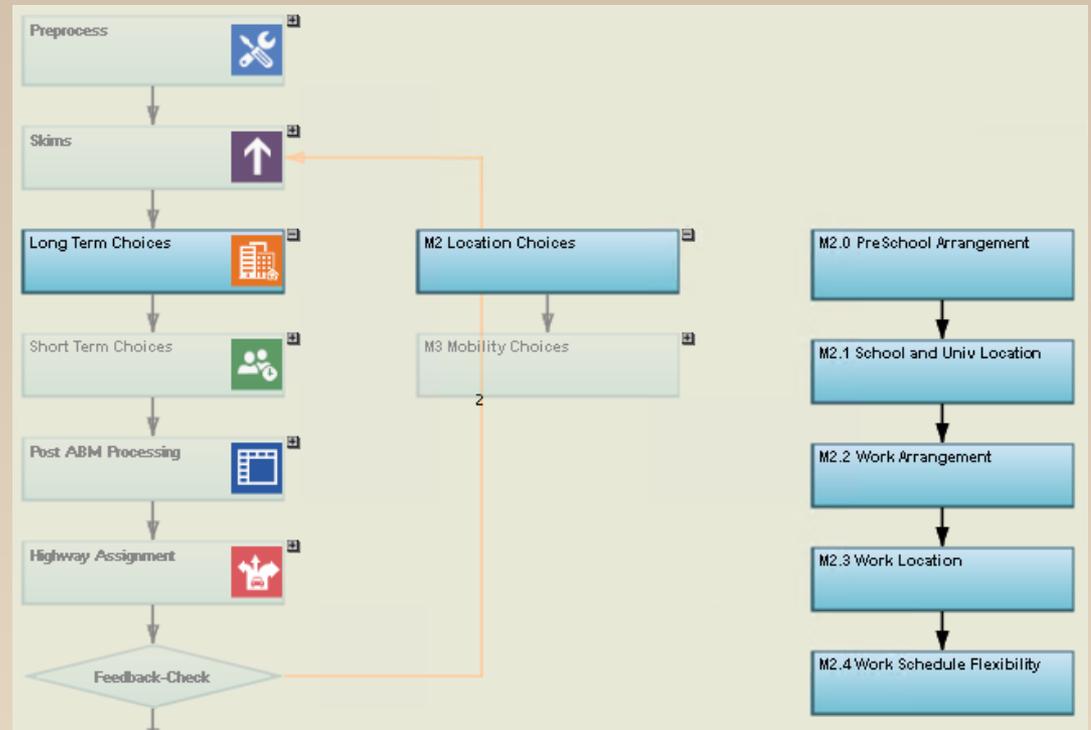
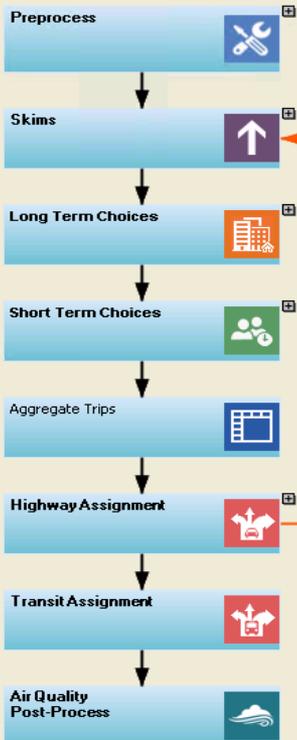
SCAG ABM Software & Hardware

- SCAG ABM is built in new TransCAD 7.0
- The software has been delivered to SCAG.
- Current running time is 10 days - with 5 loops.

SCAG ABM Software & Hardware



UI Snapshot



SCAG ABM Software & Hardware

Model Inputs & Parameters

The screenshot displays the SCAG ABM software interface. On the left, a vertical flowchart shows the model structure with five steps: M2.0 PreSchool Arrangement, M2.1 School and Univ Location, M2.2 Work Arrangement, M2.3 Work Location, and M2.4 Work Schedule Flexibility. The main window is titled 'Step: M2 Location Choices - M2.0 PreSchool Arrangement'. It features a tree view on the left with categories: Runtime, Input (Long Term Choices, Location Choices, PreSchool Arrangement), Modify Input/Output Lists (Input Sections, Output Sections, Output Parameters), Display Properties (Box Layout, Colors and Fonts, Parameter Display), and Help Document. The right pane shows the configuration for 'PreSchool Arrangement'.

PreSchool Arrangement Configuration

Model Type: Binary Logit
Apply To: Person+HH
Decision Variable: GoToPreSCH
Segment: AGE between 3 and 5
Additional Sources: SED Table

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Source	Variable	Beta	Market Segment
Expression	[Person+HH].Age = 4	1.006	
Expression	[Person+HH].Age = 5	2.398	
Person+HH	Hnwork	-0.302	
Expression	[Person+HH].HHINC between 75001 and 99999	0.335	
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Expression	[Person+HH].HHINC >= 150000	1.282	
Constant	Constant	-0.426	

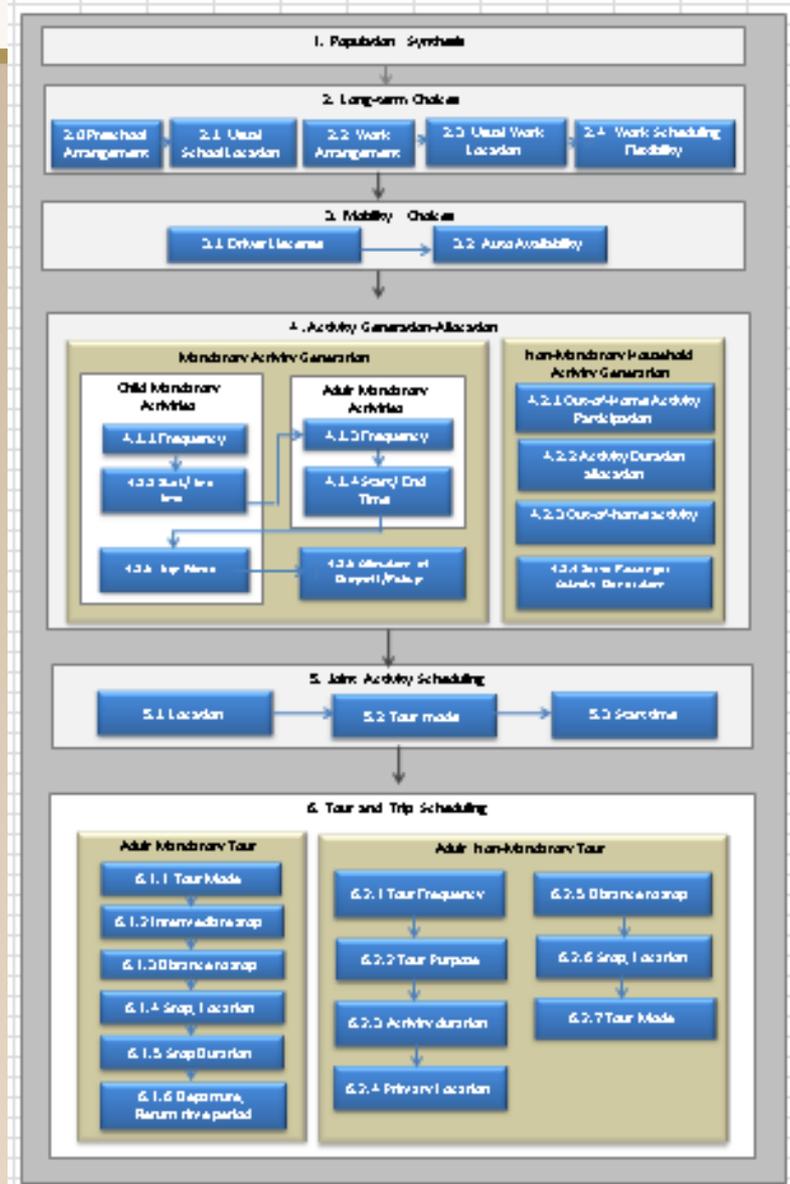
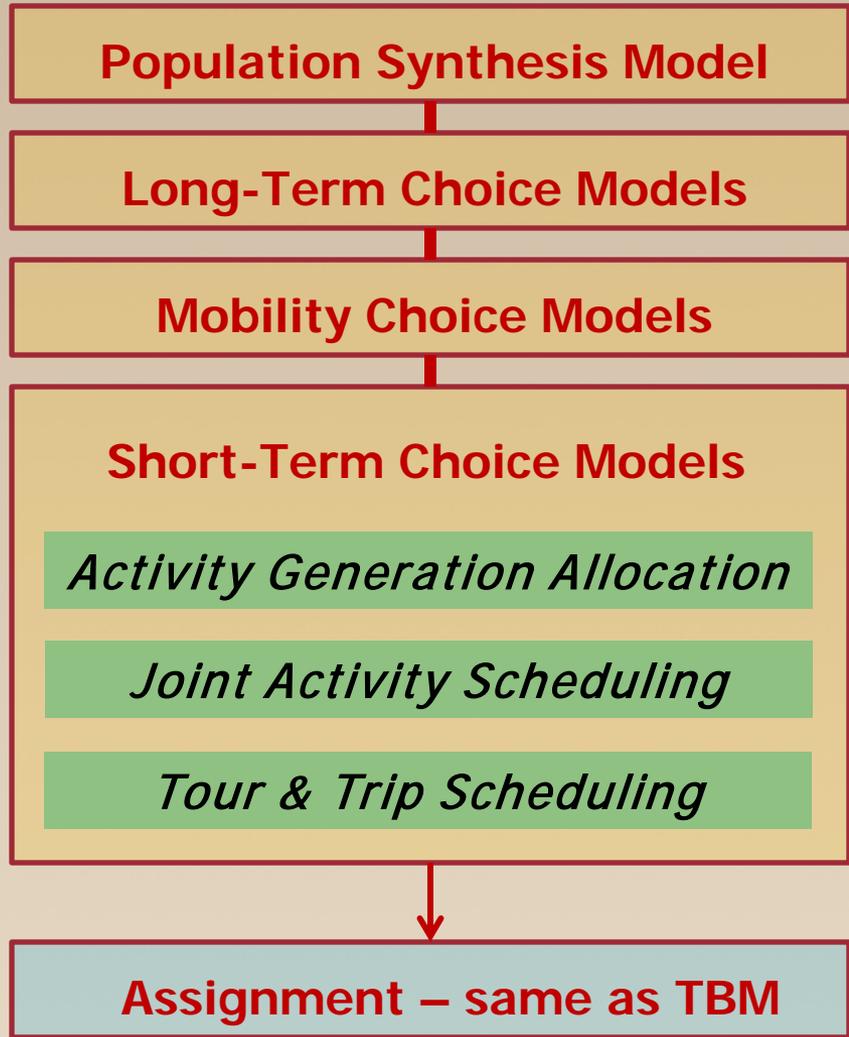
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SCAG ABM Software & Hardware

Model Server

CPU	Intel Xeon E5-4627 v2, 3.3Ghz 8-Core (effective: 32x3.3Ghz cores)
Memory	480 GB
Hard Drive	2TB SSD (2x1TB RAID1)
OS	Windows Server 2012 R2

SCAG ABM Framework

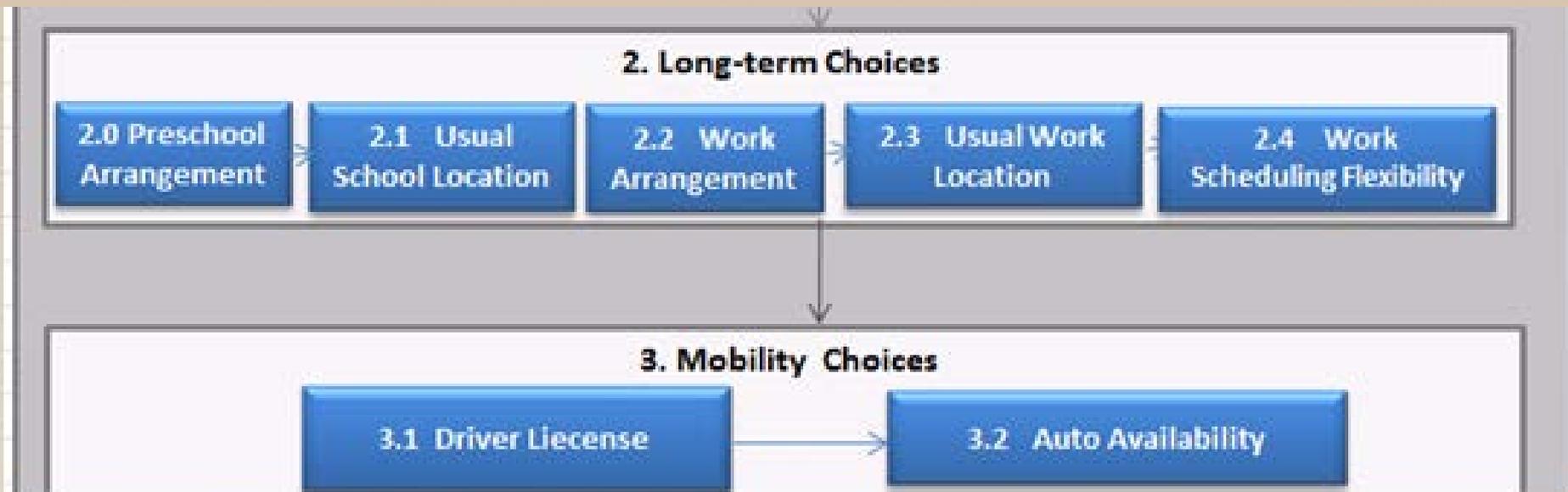


Population Synthesis

- Creates basic socioeconomic data for each individual and household.
- PopSyn model is operated by Forecasting staff.

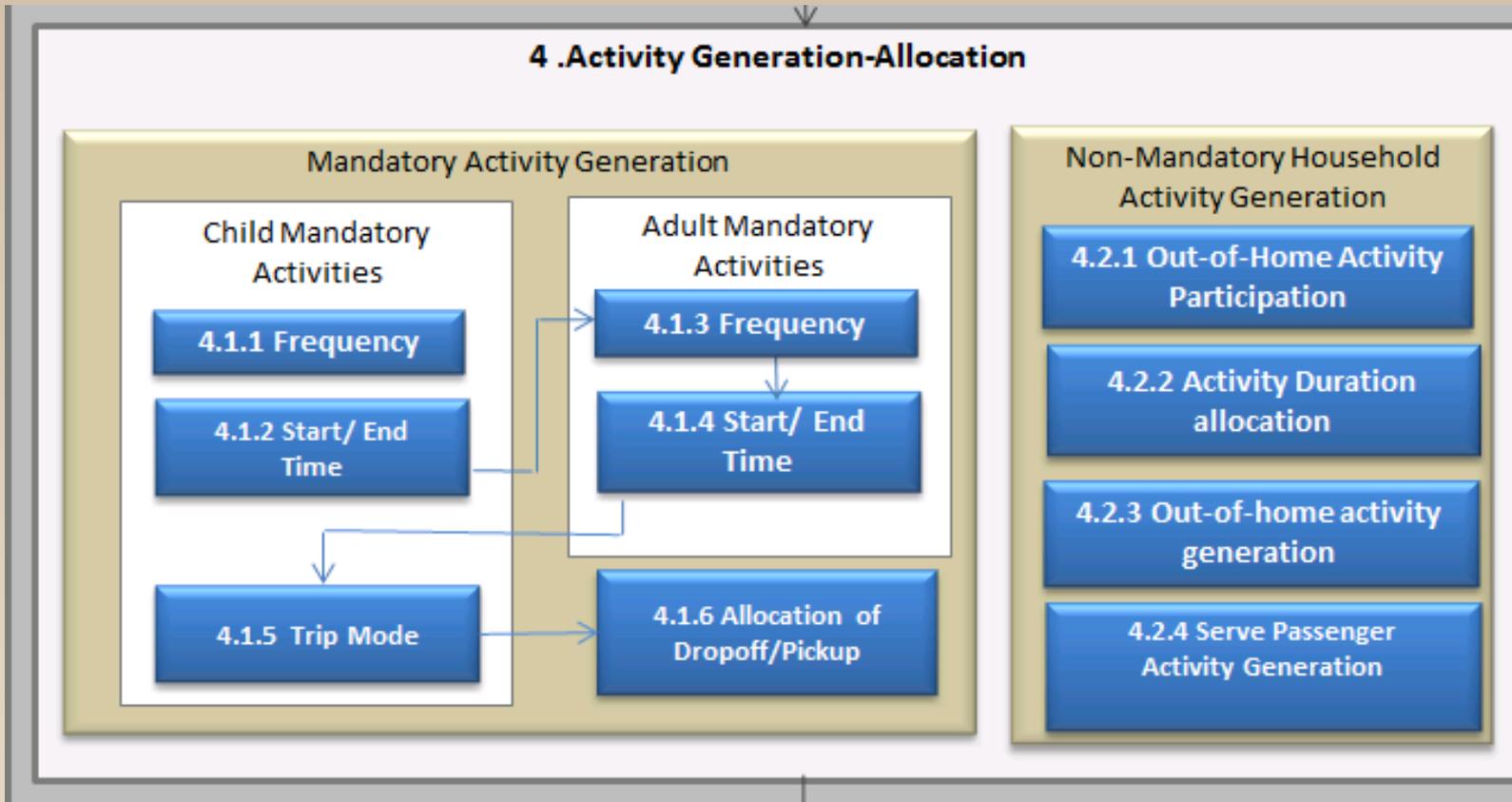
Long Term and Mobility Choices

- Location choice models for students and workers
- Work arrangement and work flexibility models
- Mobility choice models



Activity Generation-Allocation

- Activity generation, frequency, start time/end time, and duration.



Joint Activity Scheduling

- Household members participate in same activity
 - Joint activity: location, mode, start time

5. Joint Activity Scheduling

5.1 Joint Activity
Location

5.2 Joint activity
tour mode

5.3 Joint activity
start time



Tour and Trip Scheduling

- Individual Activity: mode, location, travel start/arrival time



Thank You

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