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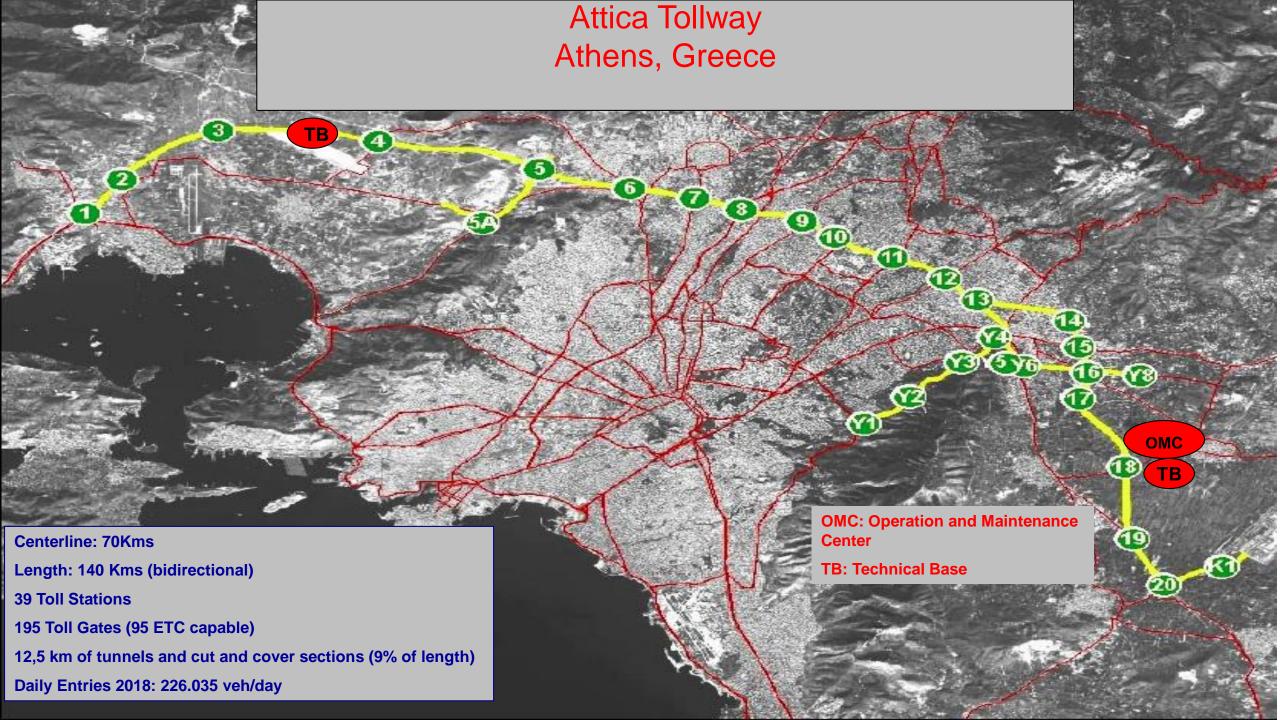




Estimation of the Traffic Impact of Pavement Rehabilitation Roadworks on Attica Tollway ("Attiki Odos")

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- Urban tollway, tolls located at the entries
- High traffic volumes, nearly at capacity levels during peak hours
- High speeds, frequently above limits, risky driver behaviour
- A "rich project" regarding infrastructure & equipment. Heavy workload for preventive & corrective maintenance.
- Suburban railway in the median. Interface & co-ordination needed for both operation
 & maintenance activities.
- High traffic volumes leave limited time windows for maintenance.
- Strict contractual obligations regarding response times (on accidents or damages & equipment failures) response in 10' after accident detection

A busy tollway with a variety of incidents on a daily basis













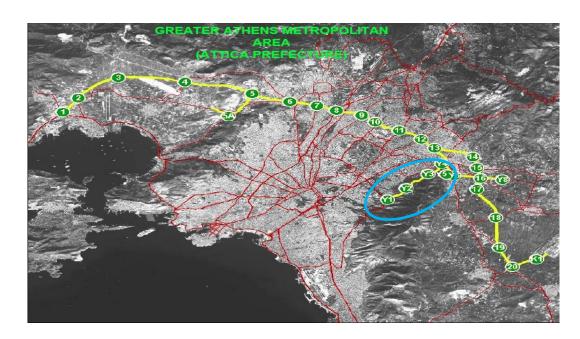




PAVEMENT REHABILITATION: THE TASK



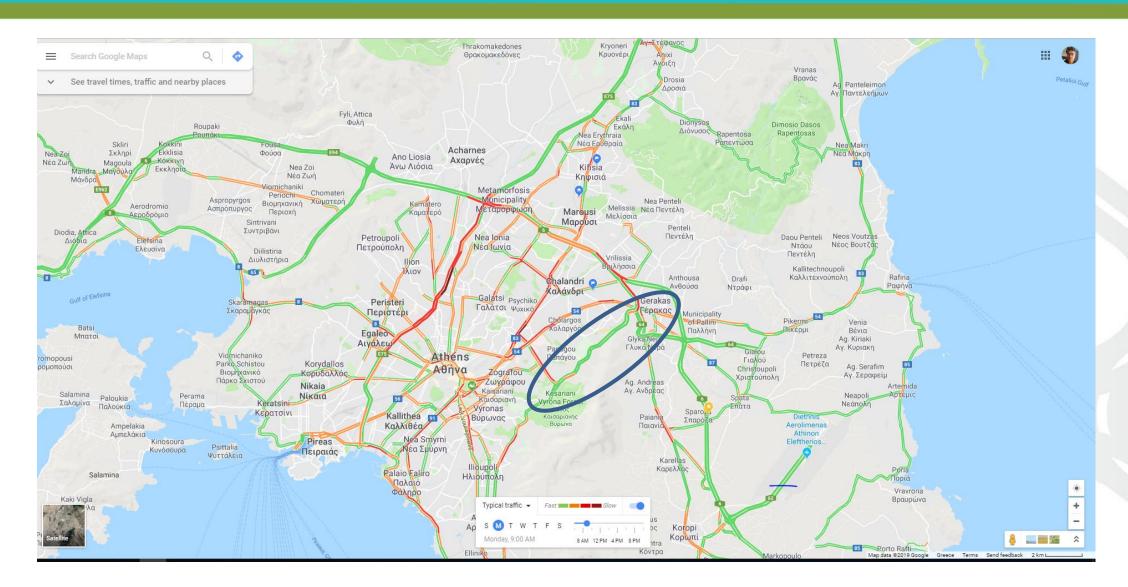
- In the coming years, Attiki Odos will proceed with pavement resurfacing works
- Need for initial estimation of the traffic impact of these road works
- First test: Examination of the impact of road works in a specific stretch of 5,4km length





ATHENS TRAFFIC AT 9AM









2 stages to be analysed (Construction & traffic impact), different software for each stage

- ✓ 1. CA4PRS (Construction Analysis for Pavement Rehabilitation Strategies)
 - developed by the University of California Pavement Research Center (UCPRC)
 - software for the pavement rehabilitation roadworks design
 - examines different lane closure scenarios
 - estimates the road works duration and generalised cost incurred
 - provides choice of optimized combination of roadworks duration, lane closures and generalized cost

✓ 2. VISSIM

- micro-simulation traffic movement software
- use of average vehicle delay as operational performance measure

ROADWORKS SCENARIOS





- Length of 5400 meters
- 3 lanes with 3,5m width each
- 3 entries (Tolls) and 1 exit
- Capacity of 1800 PCUs/hour/lane
- 2 periods tested (July & August)
- 2 scenarios (total & half closure)
- Traffic impact assessment for the half closure scenario presented here







<u>Parameters of Roadworks Closures</u>

| Parameters | Total closure | Half closure | |
|---|---------------|--------------|--|
| Roadworks Length (km) | 5,4 | 5,4 | |
| Objective (lane-km) | 16,2 | 16,2 | |
| Mobilization (hours) | 6 | 6 | |
| Demobilization (hours) | 4 | 4 | |
| Lag time between Milling and Paving (hours) | 10 | 10 | |
| Traffic Switch Time (hours) | 0 | 6 | |
| Number of teams | 4 | 2 | |
| Hauling Truck Capacity (tonnes) | 20 | 20 | |
| Hauling Trucks per hour per team | 5 | 5 | |
| Batch Plant Capacity (tonnes/hour) | 150 | 150 | |
| Number of Batch Plants | 1 | 1 | |
| HMA Delivery Truck Capacity (tonnes) | 24 | 24 | |
| HMA Delivery Trucks per hour | 8 | 8 | |





Estimation of closure scenarios based on CA4PRS:

Total closure duration: 6 days

Half-closure duration: 9 days

- VISSIM: Traffic impact for August Scenario
 Low average vehicle delay Level of Service A
 The users will not use alternative routes
- VISSIM: Traffic impact for July Scenario
 Low average vehicle delay Level of Service A to C
 The users will not use alternative routes

In both scenarios, the 2 lanes which will remain open during the half closure have the necessary reserve capacity

August scenario - Half Closure

| | Average delay (sec/vehicle) | | | LOS | | |
|-----------------|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| Time Period | Katechaki Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Cholargos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Dimokritos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Katechaki Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Cholargos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Dimokritos Tolls -> end of the roadworks |
| 09:00- 10:00 | 6,9 | 5,6 | 0,8 | A | A | A |
| 10:00- 11:00 | 8,2 | 6,4 | 0,8 | A | A | A |
| 11:00- 12:00 | 8,5 | 6,1 | 0,8 | A | A | A |
| 12:00- 13:00 | 8,2 | 5,5 | 0,9 | A | A | A |

July scenario - Half Closure

| | Average delay (sec/vehicle) | | | LOS | | | |
|-----------------|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| Time Period | Katechaki Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Cholargos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Dimokritos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Katechaki Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Cholargos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | Dimokritos Tolls -> end of the roadworks | |
| 09:00- 10:00 | 10,2 | 8,6 | 1,3 | В | A | A | |
| 10:00- 11:00 | 18,5 | 20,4 | 2,9 | С | С | A | |
| 11:00- 12:00 | 17,7 | 22,2 | 3,5 | С | С | A | |
| 12:00- 13:00 | 12,7 | 10 | 1,5 | В | A | A | |

FUTURE STEPS



- Analysis tools need to be validated
- Selection of Strategy will be based on several different parameters
 - Traffic Impact user acceptance
 - Comparison of direct road works costs for each scenario
 - Income loss for each scenario, especially for total closures
 - Difficulties in pavement roadworks during the month of August
 - Road worker safety for each scenario

Final choice should be based on the Generalized Cost of all above parameters combined



Thank you!

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