

# MUID

Maryland Unconventional Intersection/Interchange Design Analysis Tool

### INTRODUCTION

- Maryland Unconventional
   Intersection/Interchange Design (MUID) Analysis Tool
- Developed by University of Maryland, College Park and MDOT SHA
- A tool to conduct a capacity/ queuing analysis as well as signal optimization for continuous flow intersection (CFI), diverging diamond interchange (DDI), and superstreet intersection (signalized RCUT)



### MODULES

#### Planning Evaluation Module

- Queue length
- Queue/link length ratio
- Average delay
- Critical lane volumes
- Signal Optimization Module
  - Offset
  - Cycle length
  - Green split
  - Average delay
- Output Module
  - Shows input parameters, planning evaluation results and signal optimization results

### **PLANNING EVALUATION MODULE**

#### Planning Evaluation Procedure

**Identifying all factors** contributing to the total delay and queue, including external factors such as demand, and internal factors such as intersection geometric features

**Generating a comprehensive data set** with all identified factors for simulating analysis

Build simulation models using VISSIM and Calibrate VISSIM parameters with field data
Random sampling of different demand scenarios

**Deriving the quantitative relationships** between performance measures and contributing factors

Estimating the impact of queues on the overall intersection performance and developing a set of statistical models for queues length prediction at each critical location

### PLANNING EVALUATION MODULE

#### Planning Evaluation Results



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### Signal optimization Procedure

*Calculate the CLV* of each sub-intersection according to the phasing designs

**Determine the common cycle length** based on the CLV of the most congested subintersection

For each sub-intersection, *optimize the green ratio* of each phase with the objective of <u>maximizing the</u> <u>capacity of intersection</u>

**Determine the critical traffic paths** according to the demand pattern

Use <u>a modified MAXBAND model</u> to *provide progressions* to those critical traffic paths so as to optimize the offsets

### SIGNAL OPTIMIZATION MODULE

#### Signal Optimization Results



### **INTERSECTION/INTERCHANGE DESIGNS**

#### Cover different intersection/interchange designs

- Continuous Flow Intersection
  - CFI-T
  - Partial CFI(symmetrical)
  - Partial CFI(asymmetrical)
  - Full CFI
- Diverging Diamond Interchange
- Superstreet Intersection

### **INPUT DEMAND**

- User-friendly Interface
  - Manually input demand or
  - Generate random demand



### **INPUT GEOMETRIC CHARACTERISTICS**

#### User-friendly Interface

- Adopt the default geometry setting or
- Manually input geometric information



#### Show demand



#### Show link length



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Show phase plan



#### Show queue length



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#### Show Queue/Link length ratio



#### Show signal timing(s)





#### Generate a report with input and module output

