

Validation of cellular models of pedestrian dynamics using controlled large-scales experiments

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- Example: Evacuation simulation

Fundamental diagram – single file movement

- Experiment
- Modeling

Fundamental diagram – 2d

- Discrepancies in the literature
- Connection between bottleneck flow and the FD

Summary and Outlook

- Research-project (DFG-grant)

Importance of the fundamental diagram

Typical FAQ

- Travel or egress time

How long does it take to reach a certain destination?

Velocity v in dependence of density ρ

- Capacity analysis

How many persons N can pass a facility in a given time interval Δt

Flow: $N / \Delta t = J$

$J = J(\rho)$

Capacity: $C = J_{\max}(\rho)$

The basic quantities v , ρ , J , C are related by

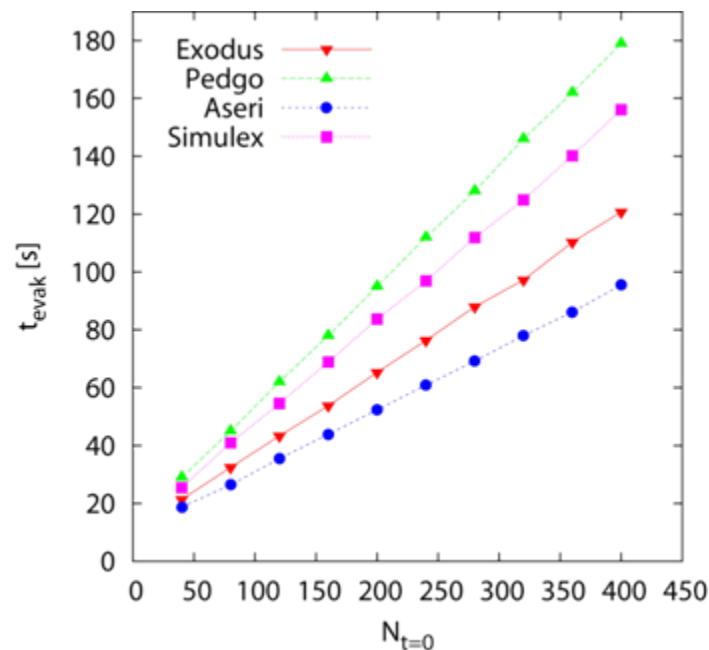
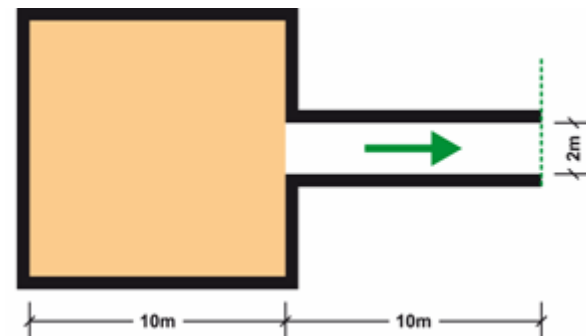
- the empirical relation $J(\rho)$ or $v(\rho)$ - fundamental diagram
- and the flow equation $J = \rho v b$.

If a computer model does not reproduce the FD it is questionable whether the calculate capacities or egress times are usable!

Example: Simulation of building evacuation

Egress time calculation

- test of Aseri, PedGo, Simulex and BuildingExodus at very simple geometries
- calculated evacuation times differ significantly (factor 2-4)
- some models do not any velocity-density dependence

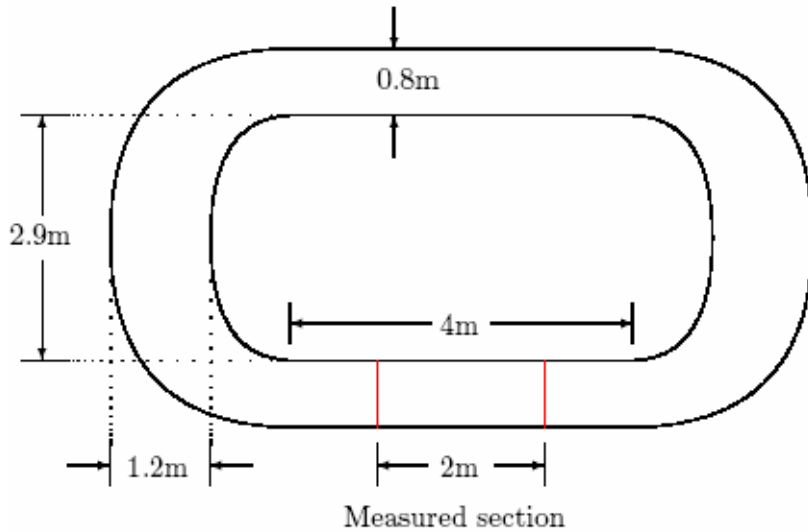


¹Diploma thesis, C. Rogsch, University of Wuppertal

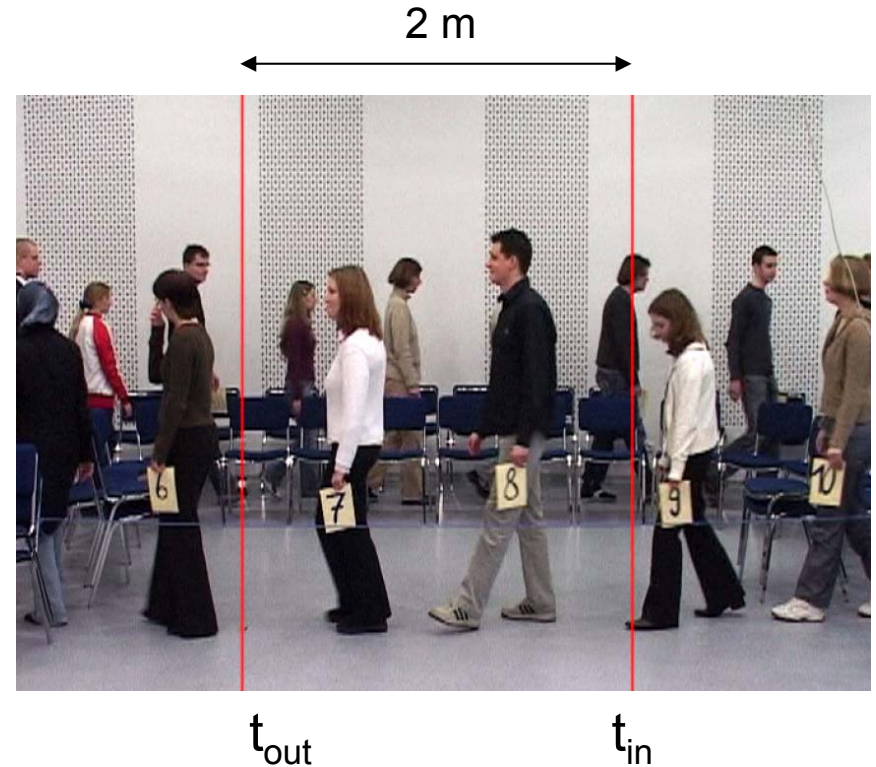
Fundamental diagram – single file movement Experiment

Velocity-density relation – Single file movement

Reduction of the degree of freedom - Movement along a line

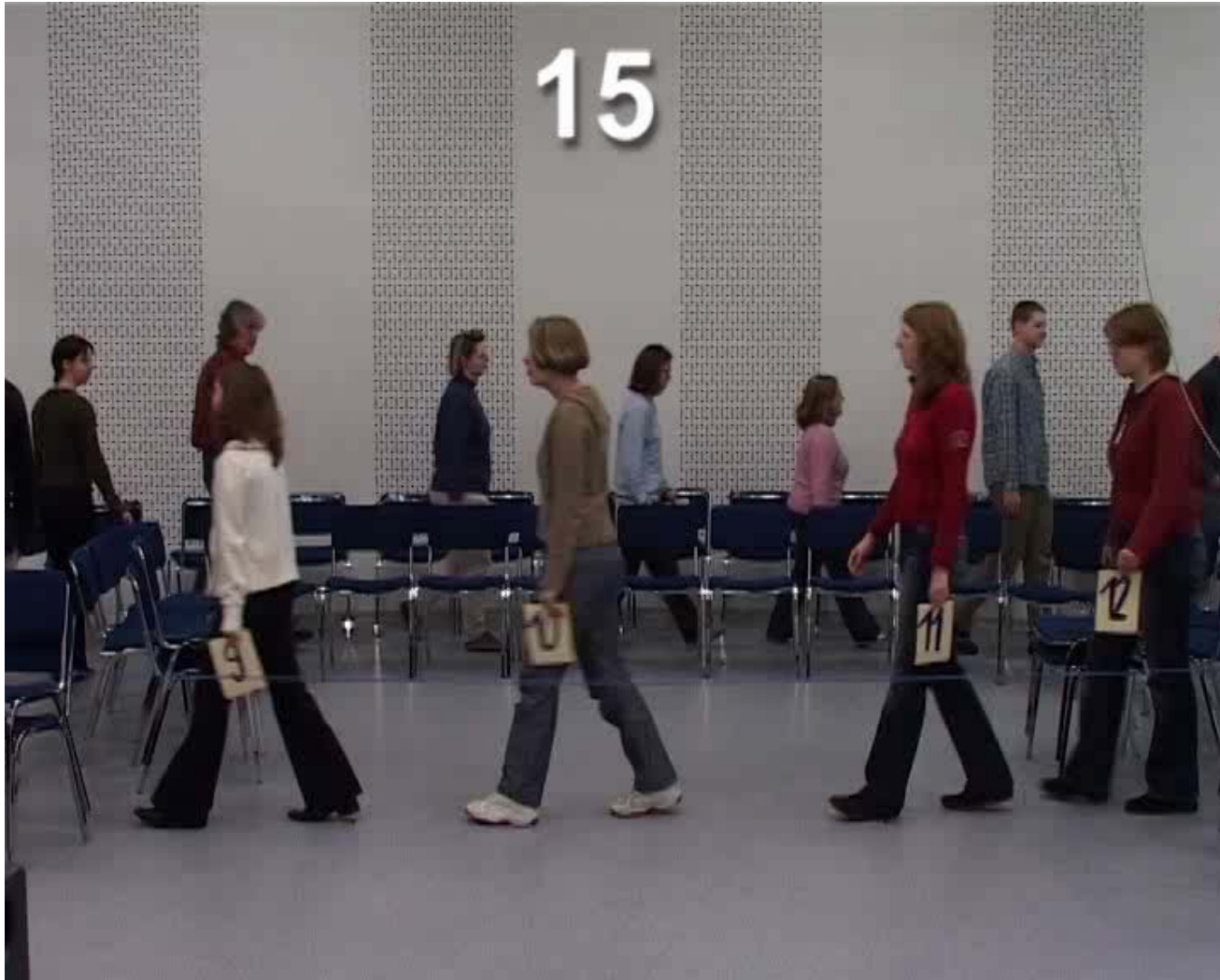


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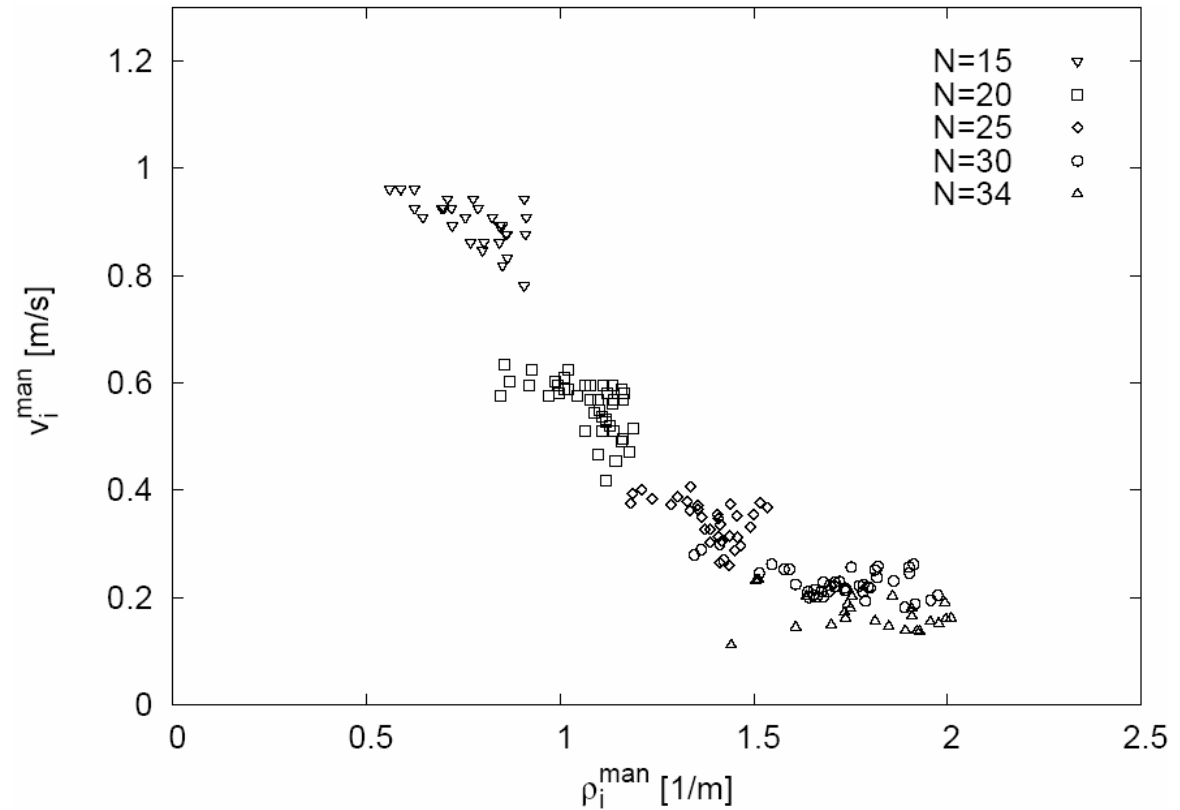
N = 1, 15, 20, 25, 30, 34

Velocity-density relation – Single file movement



Results – Single file movement

$$t_{\text{in}}, t_{\text{out}} \rightarrow v_i, \rho_i$$



Fundamental diagram – single file movement Modeling

Social Force Model¹ in $d = 1$

Self-driven objects moving in a continuous space

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = v_i \quad m_i \frac{dv_i}{dt} = F_i = \sum_{j \neq i} F_{ij}(x_j, x_i, v_i)$$

$$F_i^{drv} = m_i \frac{v_i^0 - v_i}{\tau_i} \quad F_i^{rep} = -\nabla \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{e_i}{\left(|x_j - x_i| - d_i/2 \right)^{f_i}}$$

Modification $d_i(t) = a_i + b_i v_i(t)$ and influence of the remote force

¹D. Helbing and P. Molnar, Phys. Rev. E 51 (1995)

Hard bodies without remote force

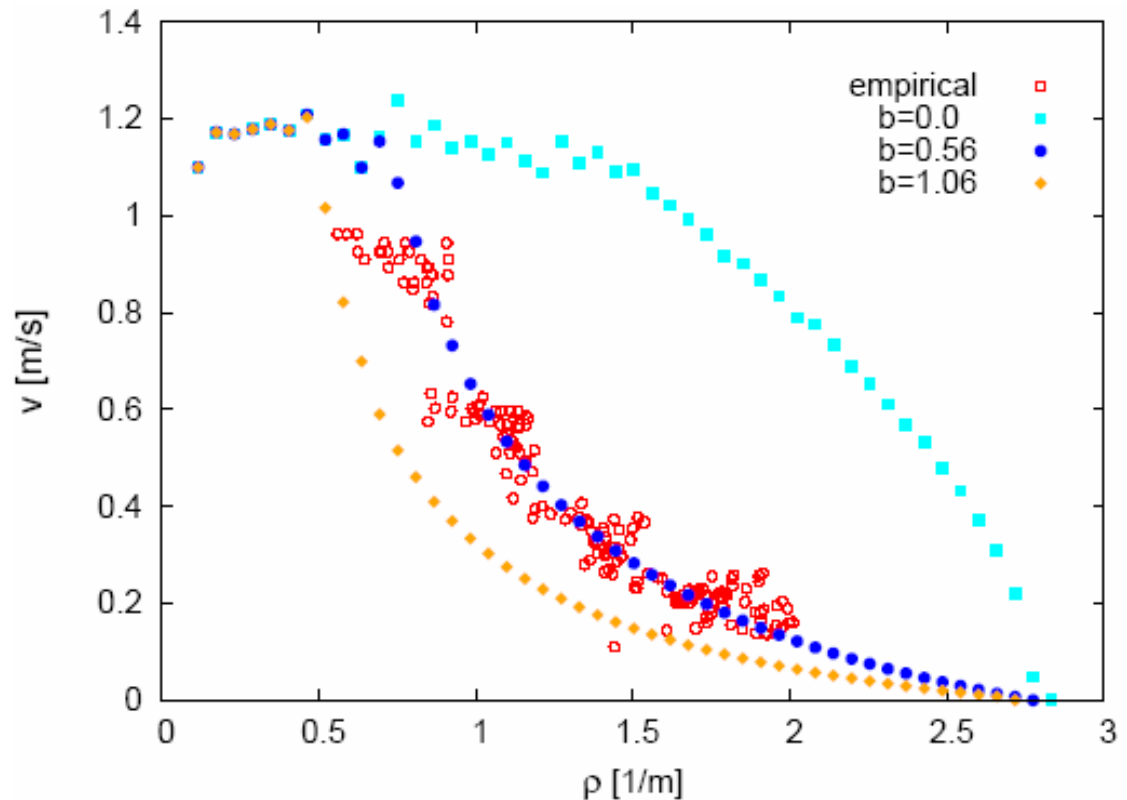
$$F_i(t) = \begin{cases} F_i^{drv} & x_{i+1}(t) - x_i(t) > d_i(t) \\ -\delta(t)v_i(t) & x_{i+1}(t) - x_i(t) \leq d_i(t) \end{cases} \quad d_i(t) = a + b v_i(t)$$

Parameter:

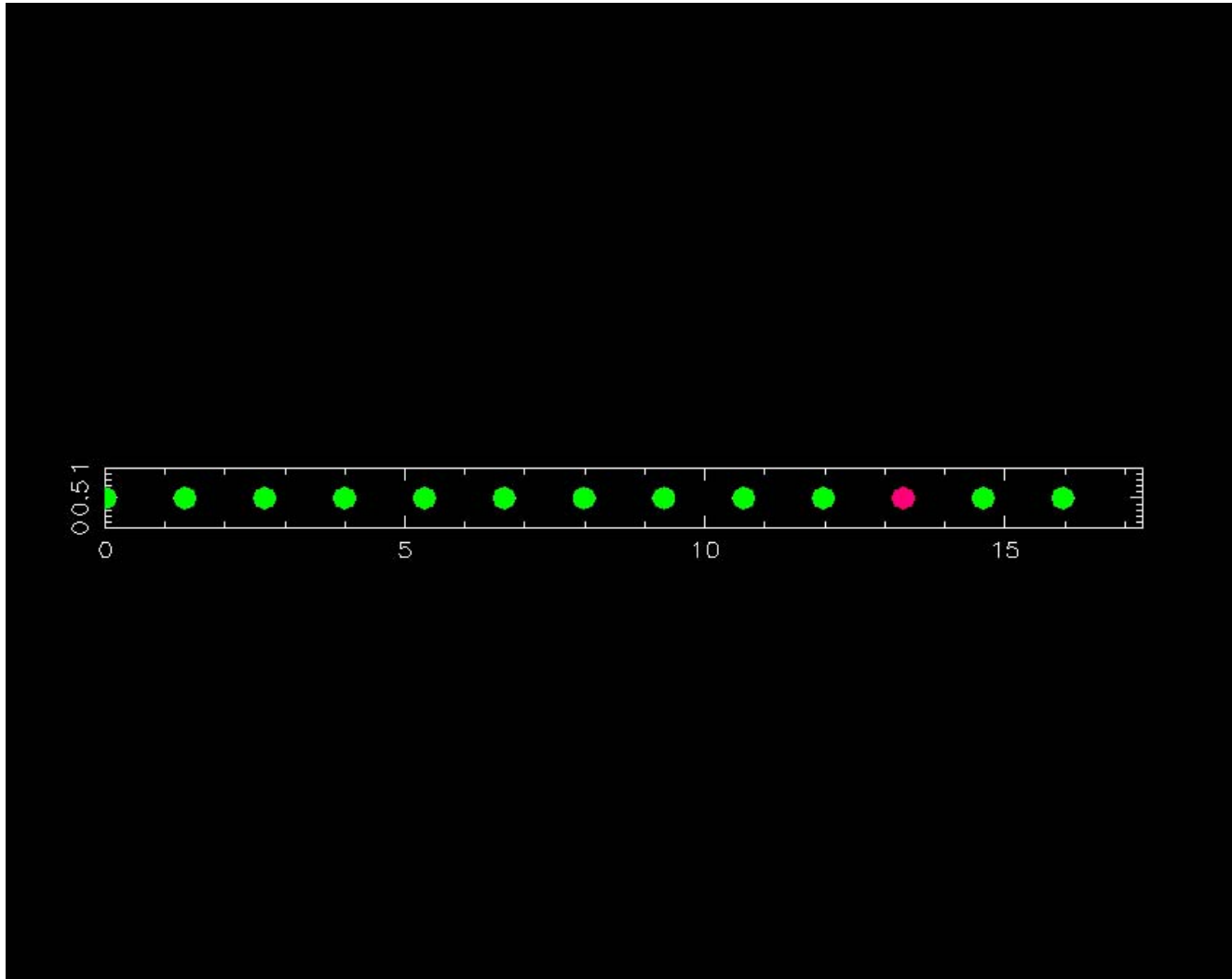
$$a = 0.36 \text{ m}$$

$$L = 17.3 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = 0.001 \text{ s}$$



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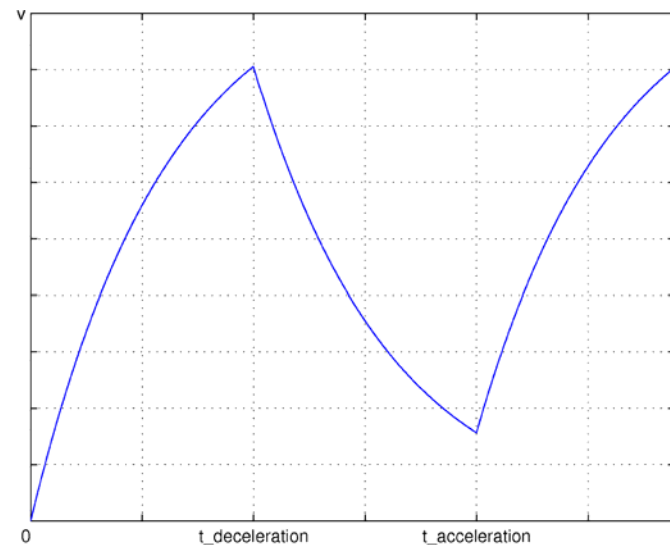
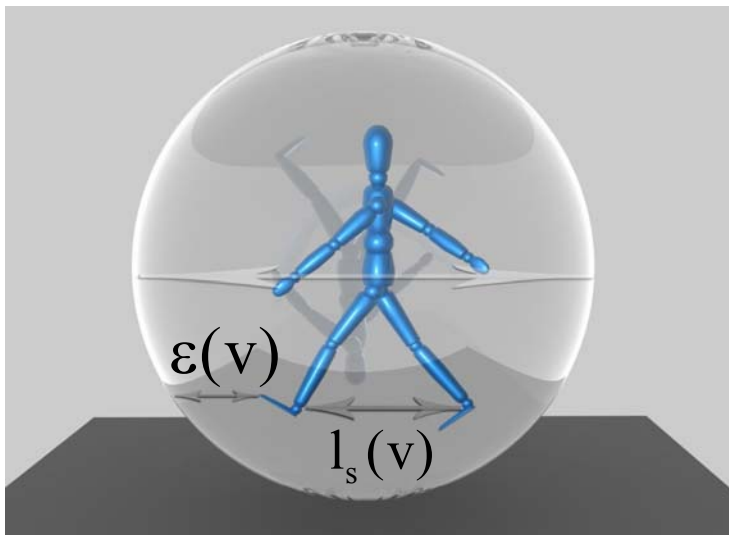


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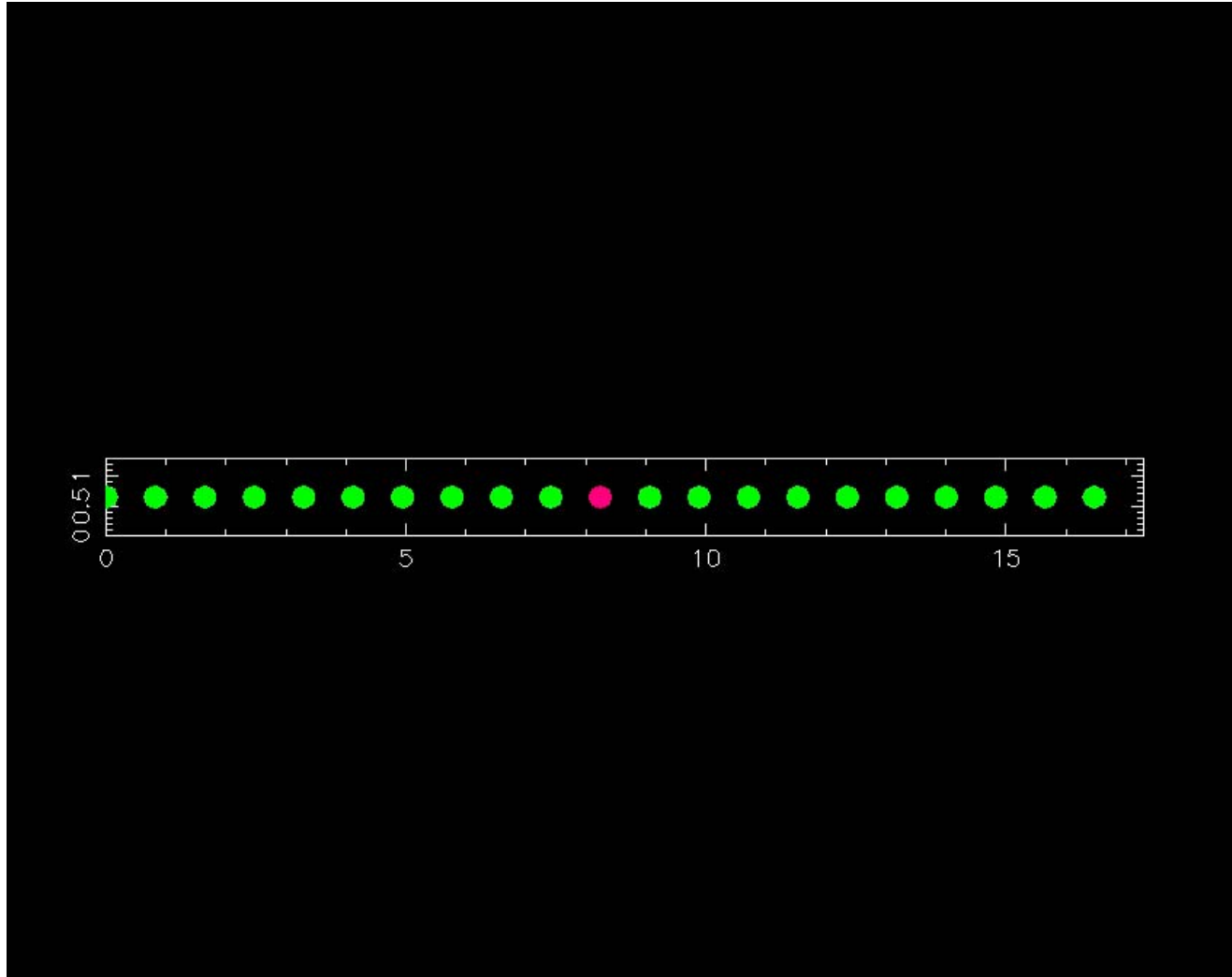
New approach

- Event driven dynamics
- Space requirement depends on current velocity
- Velocity adaptation

Step length: $l_s(v)$ Security distance: $\varepsilon(v)$



Velocity adaptation



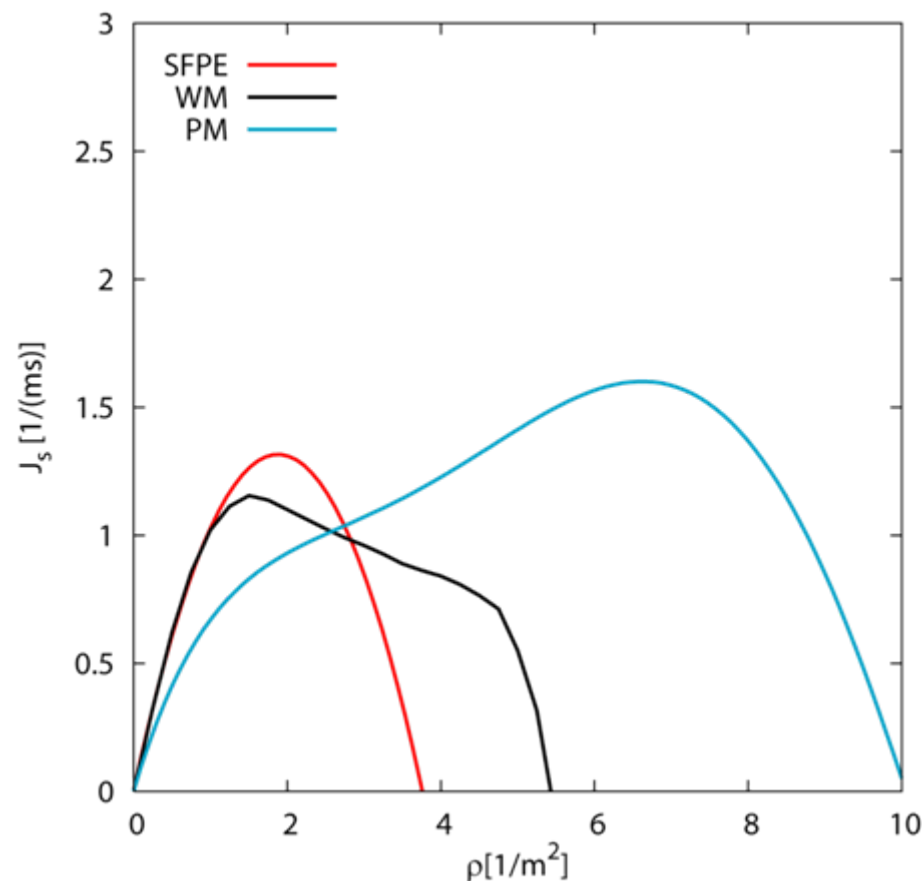
Fundamental diagram 2d

Fundamental diagram

Specifications in guidelines

- Different shapes
- Capacity values C_s
 $C_s: 1.2 - 1.6 \text{ (ms)}^{-1}$
- Location of the maximum
 $\rho_C: 1.8 - 7 \text{ m}^{-2}$
- Location of ρ_0
 $\rho_0: 3.8 - 10 \text{ m}^{-2}$

Non-negligible differences
In particular for ρ_0



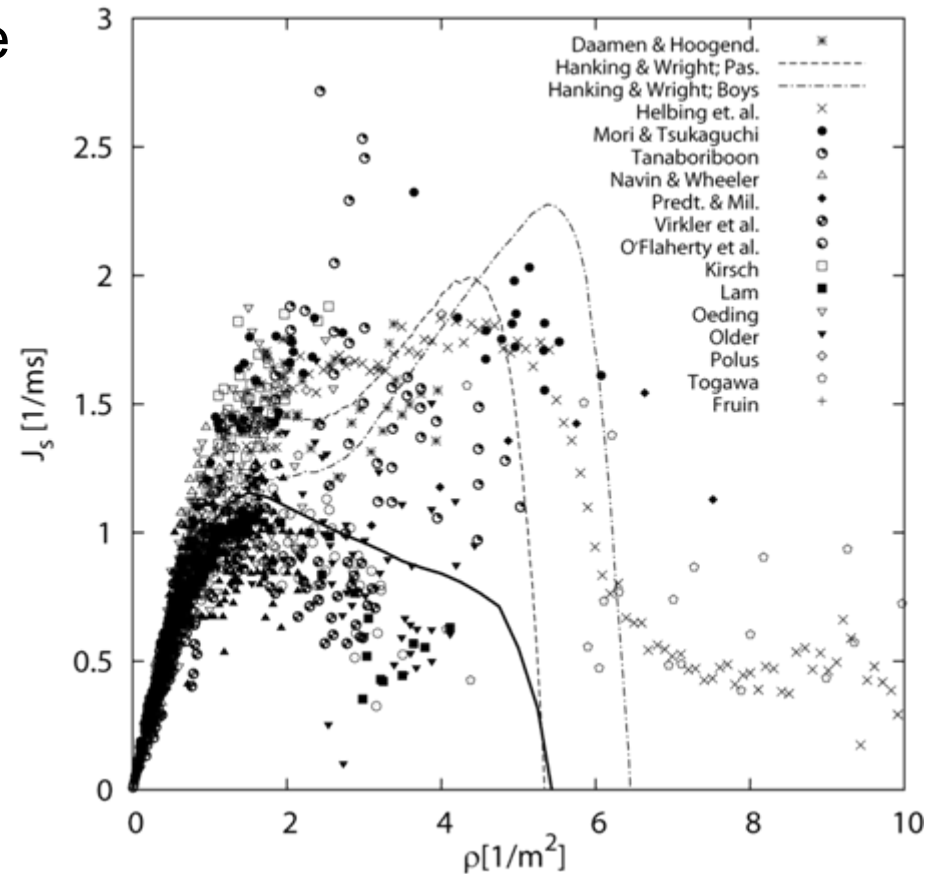
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Comparison of experimental data

Causes discussed in the literature

- Uni- and bidirectional
- Way of measurement
- Fluctuations
- Culture and population demographics
- Psychological factors

Unfortunately most authors give not all necessary information!



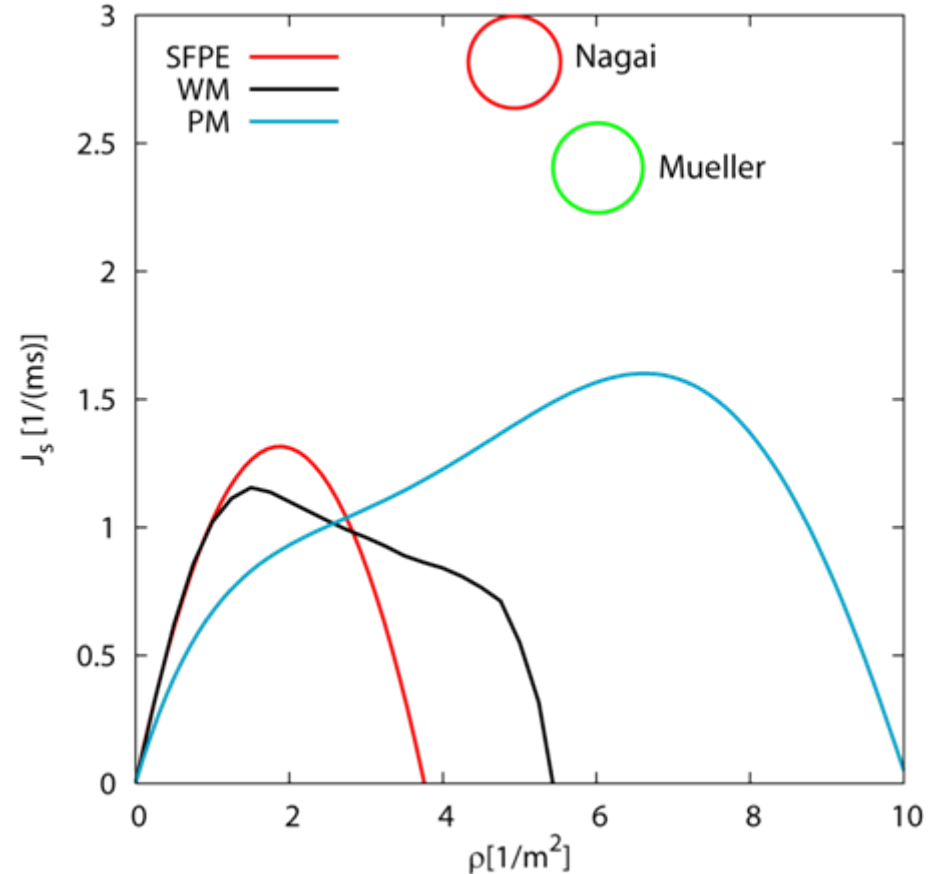
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Connection between bottleneck flow and FD

Comparison of bottleneck flow and the fundamental diagram

- $C = J_{\max}(\rho)$
- Nagai and Mueller
 - $J_{s,\max} = 2.3$ and $2.8(\text{ms})^{-1}$
- test persons are advised to move normally!
- High initial density $\approx 5 \text{ 1/m}^2$

Note:
Measured flow at bottlenecks are significantly higher than maxima of common FD!



Mueller K. Dissertation, Magdeburg (1981)
Nagai et al. Physica A 367, p449 (2006)

Summary and Outlook

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Summary

The fundamental diagram connects ρ , v , J , C and is the most important relation in pedestrian dynamics

Our knowledge is insufficient and is founded on an contradictory data base

Major questions

- How does the “right” fundamental diagram look like?
- How is the flow through bottlenecks connected with the FD?

More detail discussion

A. Schadschneider, W. Klingsch, H. Klüpfel, T. Kretz, Ch. Rogsch and A. Seyfried, *Evacuation Dynamics, Empirical Results, Modeling and Applications*, Encyclopedia of Complexity and Systems Science, Springer, to appear 2008 (available from www.arxiv.org)

Research project

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Research project

Boundary Effects and Non-Equilibrium States in Pedestrian Dynamics – Experiments and Modeling

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Research project – Overview

Experiments

- 99 different runs over five days with up to 250 people
- Well controlled laboratory conditions

Data collection

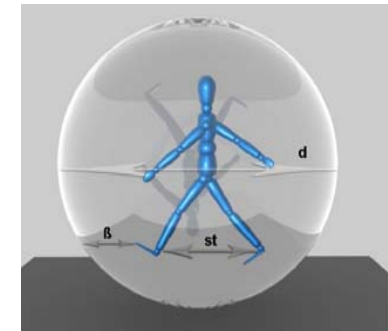
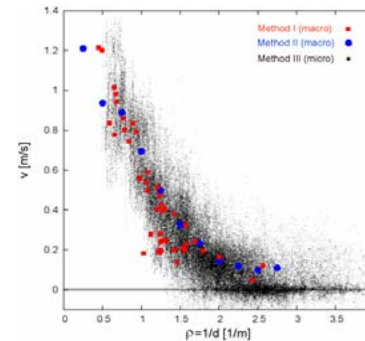
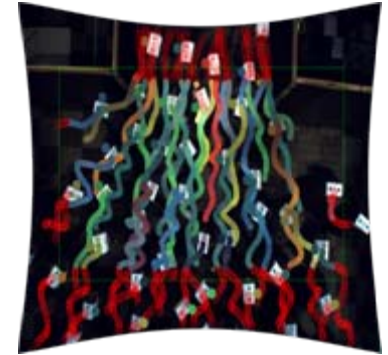
- Automated procedure
- Trajectories with high accuracy

Data analysis

- Macroscopic and microscopic

Modeling

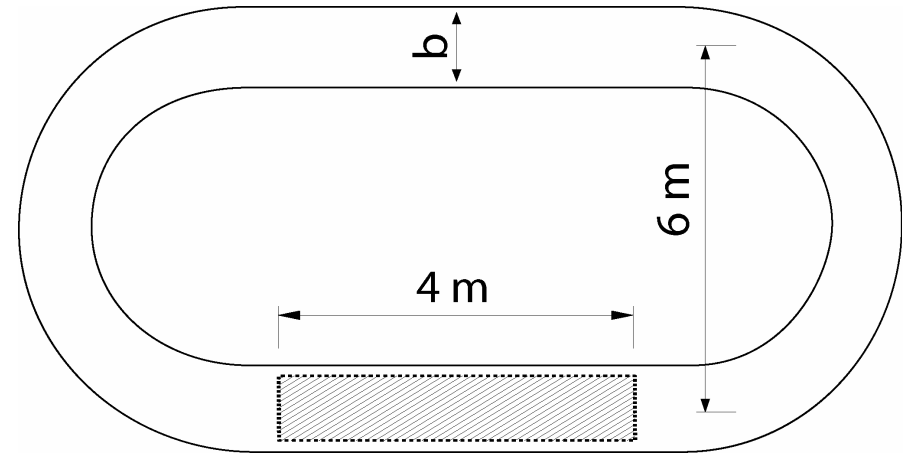
- Developments of ‘microscopic’ models for pedestrian dynamics



Sets of the experiments: Part 1

Fundamental diagram

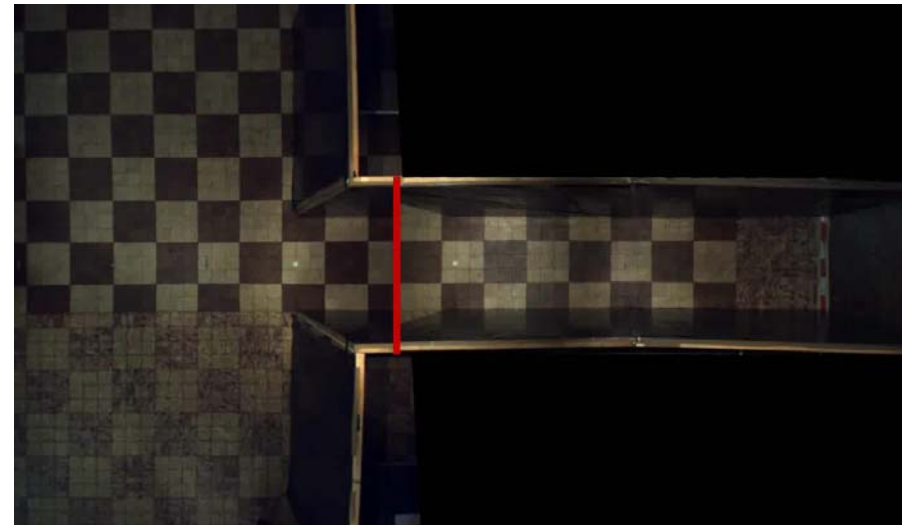
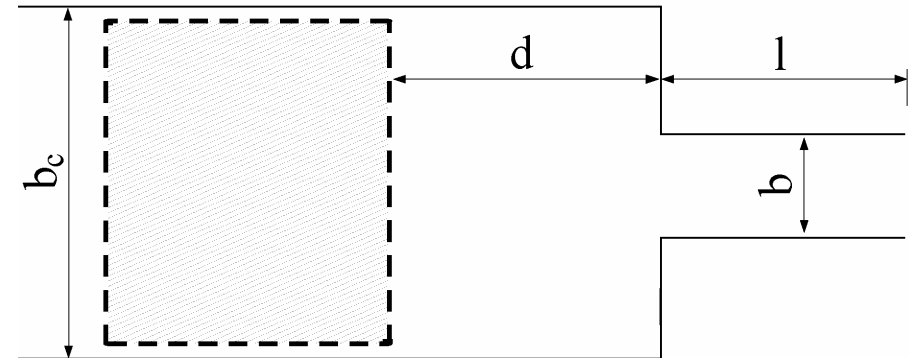
- Number of pedestrians **N**
17 - 110
- Corridor width **b**
0.7, 0.85 and 1.0m
- Uni – bidirectional flow
- Closed and open boundaries
- Motivation



Sets of the experiments: Part 2

Bottleneck flow

- Bottleneck width **b**
0.8, 0.9, ..., 2.5m
- Bottleneck length **l**
0.1, 2.0, 4.0m
- Corridor width **b_c**
4.0, 5.0, 6.0m
- Number of pedestrians **N**
50, 100, ..., 250
- Distance to the entrance **d**
1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0m



Thank you for your attention



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