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This study dealt with five types of left turn signal phasing: permissive, leading exclusive, lagging exclusive, leading exclusive/permissive and lagging exclusive/permissive.

The objectives of this research project were to:

- develop a research work plan to conduct a statistically valid study for the development of numerical warrants for left turn movements, and
- 2. prepare a database of available information on signalized intersections and select the intersections to be used in the future study.

This report describes the database of Arizona signalized intersections created in this project, the findings on left turn accident rates for different types of left turn phasing (using a nonrandom sample), results of a validation study of the TEXAS computer simulation model, and presents a research work plan for a future research project.

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1 km/h = 0.6214 mph

1 inch = 2.54 centimeters

1 centimeter = 0.3937 inches

1 foot = 0.3048 meter

1 meter = 3.2808 feet

1 mile = 1.6093 kilometers

1 kilometer = 0.6214 miles

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This final report presents the results of work on the project entitled "Development, Evaluation and Application of Left Turn Signal Warrants." This project was conducted to design a future research project which will lead to the development of a warrant or guideline for use of left turn phasing. The warrant or guideline will be developed to enable the traffic engineer to select the type of left turn phasing to be used at a particular intersection.

The stated objectives of the research project were twofold.

- 1. The first was to develop a research work plan to conduct a statistically valid study for the development of numerical warrants for left turn movements. The warrants, based on operational efficiency and safety, shall address the following situations: installation of new phasing, evaluation and modification of existing left turn signal phasing, and transitioning from one mode of operation to another.
- 2. The second objective is to review available ADOT data on signalized intersections, prepare a database of available information, and select the intersections to be used in the future study. The work plan shall address the following left turn phasing movements: permissive; leading exclusive; leading exclusive/permissive; lagging exclusive; lagging exclusive/permissive; and left turn denial.

Note: For consistency with the previous research project on Left Turn Signal Warrants, this report uses the terms "exclusive" and "permissive" rather than the terms "protected" and "permitted." Definitions of types of left turn phasing are presented in Appendix A.

The four principal products developed by this project are:

- 1. A database of signalized intersections in Arizona.
- 2. Results of a validation study of the TEXAS computer simulation model.
- Findings on left turn accident rates for different types of left turn phasing (using a nonrandom sample).

4. A research work plan for a future research project which will lead to the development of a warrant or guideline for use of left turn phasing.

To familiarize the reader with the scope of work and tasks conducted in this project, the study tasks are listed below. The task titles and descriptions have been taken from the request for proposals, the contract, and change order and, in some cases, have been paraphrased for clarity. The tasks are numbered as they are in the contract and in the change order. They are not presented in numerical order; rather they are presented in the logical sequence in which the tasks were performed to complete the work.

- 1. Develop Microcomputer Database of Signalized Intersections
 - Review available ADOT signalized intersection data and develop a microcomputer data base, using D BASE III, which identifies available information for each signalized intersection. ADOT will provide available intersection data for consultant use. The type of data used and output format shall be approved by ADOT prior to implementation.
- 1.A Expand Microcomputer Database of Signalized Intersections
 Expand microcomputer database of signalized intersections to include local jurisdictions.
- 9. Validate TEXAS Model

Validate or calibrate the TEXAS Model to determine whether it reflects real world operation for left turn phasing and whether the model can be used as a tool to evaluate the operational effects of various types of left turn phasing.

- 10. Workshop on TEXAS Model
 - Present a workshop on design of the model, its capabilities and how it can be used.

 Present a live demonstration of the software.
- 3. Determine Analytical Process for Evaluating Intersection Operations
 Establish the analytical process to be used in evaluating the measures of effectiveness of operations at intersections. The analytical process may utilize simulation techniques or appropriate analytical models that provide measures of operational effectiveness given variations in left turn phasing.

4.A Develop Accident Statistics

Develop accident statistics from a nonrandom sample of existing ADOT signalized intersections. Expand the accident statistics by including information from local jurisdictions. Stratify the statistics as functions of left turn volume and opposing volume.

4.B Collect Accident Data on Conversions

Collect before and after accident data from locations where the type of left turn phasing has changed.

4.C Determine Design Approach for Safety Evaluation

Determine the approach to be used to study the traffic accident history at selected intersections to evaluate the safety of left turn phasing alternatives. Establish the time period for the before and after sample.

2. Prepare work plan for Future Research Project

Prepare a work plan to conduct a statistical valid study for the development, evaluation, and application of numerical warrants for left turn movements. The matrix of experimental intersections shall include two and three through-lane intersections with permissive, leading exclusive, leading exclusive, leading exclusive/permissive and left turn denial. The sample size of selected intersections for each of the above left turn phasing types will be determined.

5. 5.A Prepare Interim Report

5.B Interim Report Review

Prepare an interim report describing the findings and recommendations from Tasks 1, 2, 3, and 4.

6. Select Signalized Intersections for Future Research Project

Select the ADOT signalized intersections which fulfill the requirements of Tasks 2, 3, and 4c above. From the selected intersections, designate the preferred intersections for utilization in the experimental matrix described in Task 2. If insufficient intersections are

available within the ADOT system, evaluate and specify off-system intersections which fulfill the requirements.

7. Determine Data Collection Needs and Costs for Future Research Project

Determine the data collection needs and approximate costs for each of the preferred intersections to be utilized in the future study. The data collection needs and costs shall address the before and after study needs.

8. Prepare Final Report

Prepare a final report documenting the analysis and findings of the study. The final report will describe the recommended work plan for the future study, the intersections selected for the study, and the approximate cost and time required for the future study. A floppy disk(s) containing the D BASE III data files will be provided to ADOT.

The final report is organized as follows.

- Chapter 2 Description of the microcomputer database of signalized intersections on the ADOT roadway network. Descriptions of the additional database of signalized intersections in local jurisdictions and the database on intersections that have been converted from one type of left turn phasing to another.
- Chapter 3 Description of the recommended design for comparing the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing.
- Chapter 4 Description of the validation testing of the TEXAS model and the study results.
- Chapter 5 Discussion of approaches for evaluating the operating characteristics of different types of left turn phasing.
- Chapter 6 Description of the criteria and approach to be used in selecting the "best" type of left turn phasing.
- Chapter 7 A proposed work plan for the future research project.
- Chapter 8 Recommendations for Further Study

Appendices

CHAPTER 2 - MICROCOMPUTER DATABASE

INTRODUCTION

Two microcomputer databases were developed in Tasks 1 and 1A of this project. The first database included each of the 496 signalized intersections in the ADOT roadway system. The second included 91 signalized intersections in 6 local jurisdictions. The microcomputer databases were created as a part of this project for four reasons.

- The databases were useful in subsequent tasks of the project which planned the future research project. The availability of the databases allowed a determination of the completeness and suitability of the signalized intersection data for use in meeting the overall objectives of this research project and in developing the work plan for the future research project.
- 2. The databases were used to select those signalized intersections which will be evaluated in the future research project. All pertinent intersection data for ADOT intersections are now located in one database; that is tremendous advantage over the many diverse sources and locations of data which previously were used.
- 3. The databases will be useful in conducting the future research project.
- 4. The ADOT database will also be available to ADOT as a data source for other activities that require detailed information on specific intersections.

ADOT DATABASE

The ADOT database was compiled using dBASE III software and it is suitable for use on IBM and IBM compatible microcomputers. A copy of the database, both on hard copy and on floppy disks, has been provided to ADOT.

The database is organized in two files. The first file, named LTSG, includes identifier information, signal phasing data and geometry data. The second file, named LTTV, includes the identifier information for each intersection (this is a duplication of what appears in the LTSG file), volume data and accident data. Two files were necessary because the dBASE III program can only accommodate 128 fields in a file. A total of 163 unique fields of data are included in the two files.

There is capacity to add more fields to each file in the future if ADOT should choose to expand the database to meet additional needs or to add additional information to existing fields. Each intersection is uniquely identified by its record number. The record number for each intersection is the same in the two files.

There are 424 signalized "locations" on the ADOT roadway system. Seventy-two of these locations involve the interchange of a freeway with an arterial street (typically a diamond interchange). In these cases there are usually two actual signalized intersections, one on each side of the freeway, and each having its own volume and geometric data. For this reason "locations" of this type appear as two different records in the database files. These locations are easily distinguished in the database by the suffix "A" or "B" at the end of the intersection CODE NUMBER. For example, RECORD 1 (CODE NUMBER 20A) presents data for the north side of the diamond interchange at I-10 and Litchfield Road. RECORD 2 (CODE NUMBER 20B) presents data for the south side of the same interchange. Both files include a field called SIDE which denotes which side of the interchange (cardinal direction) is represented by the record.

The database user is cautioned about the accident data for 1983 to 1985 which is included in the "A" and "B" intersections. A breakdown of this data by side of the interchange was not available. Therefore, the accident data shown for side "A" is the total number of accidents for both sides of the interchange. The same is true of side "B". An asterisk is used to highlight the unusual treatment of the accident data.

Table 1 is an itemized list of all the elements of data which are included in the database. The left hand column lists each field exactly as it is labeled in the database. The middle column gives a verbal description of the data in each field. The right hand column notes which source of data was used to obtain each item of information (see below).

Table 2 presents a sample printout of the database for one record (a single intersection).

The data which are include in the database were provided from a variety of sources. Table B-1 in Appendix B lists the various sources of data as provided by ADOT. Different Divisions and Sections within ADOT each have an interest in different types of intersection data and compile

DESCRIPTION	PRIMARY SOURCE <u>OF DATA</u> 1			
IDENTIFICATION DATA (identification data is presented in both the LTTV file and the LTSG				
RECORD NUMBER IN FILE				
ADOT DISTRICT IN WHICH INTERSECTION IS LOCATED (1,2,3, OR 4)	1			
CODE NUMBER GIVEN TO INTERSECTION BY ADOT	1			
MAIN ROUTE IDENTIFICATION (ROUTE NUMBER)	1			
DIRECTIONAL ORIENTATION OF MAIN ROUTE (NS (NORTH-SOUTH) OR EW (EAST WEST))	map, 14			
NAME OF STREET INTERSECTING THE MAIN ROUTE	1			
MILE POST LOCATION ON THE MAIN ROUTE	1			
FOR INTERCHANGE LOCATIONS. THIS DENOTES ON WHICH SIDE (NORTH (N), SOUTH (S) EAST (E), OR WEST (W)) OF THE INTERCHANGE THE INTERSECTION IS LOCATED	map			
CITY OR COUNTY IN WHICH INTERSECITON IS LOCATED	1			
CITY OR COUNTY WITH MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL	1			
	RECORD NUMBER IN FILE ADOT DISTRICT IN WHICH INTERSECTION IS LOCATED (1,2,3, OR 4) CODE NUMBER GIVEN TO INTERSECTION BY ADOT MAIN ROUTE IDENTIFICATION (ROUTE NUMBER) DIRECTIONAL ORIENTATION OF MAIN ROUTE (NS (NORTH-SOUTH) OR EW (EAST WEST)) NAME OF STREET INTERSECTING THE MAIN ROUTE MILE POST LOCATION ON THE MAIN ROUTE FOR INTERCHANGE LOCATIONS. THIS DENOTES ON WHICH SIDE (NORTH (N), SOUTH (S) EAST (E), OR WEST (W)) OF THE INTERCHANGE THE INTERSECTION IS LOCATED CITY OR COUNTY IN WHICH INTERSECTION IS LOCATED			

SIGNAL PHASING AND GEOMERTY DATA (This data is presented in the LTSG file).

NOTES: Most of the data on signal phasing and geometry is presented for each approach to the intersection.

N APP or N A stands for North approach to the intersection (southbound traffic). S APP or S A stands for South approach to the intersection (northbound traffic). E APP or E A stands for East approach to the intersection (westbound traffic). W APP or W A stands for West approach to the intersection (eastbound traffic).

An asterisk (*) indicates that the data is not applicable (due to only 3 legs to the intersection, one-way street, or other reasons).

FIELD NAME	DESCRIPTION	PRIMARY SOURCE <u>OF DATA</u> 1
LTPH	TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING	7,8,9,10,12
	 Stands for prohibited Stands for exclusive Stands for exclusive/permissive Stands for permissive 	
LTTA	IS LEFT TURN TRAFFIC ACTUATED?	7,8,12
	F stands for False or No T stands for True or Yes	
LELA	IS LEFT TURN LEADING OR LAGGING?	10,12
	 stands for Leading Left Turn stands for Lagging Left Turn 	
DINT	DATE ON WHICH THE TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING WAS CHANGED	10
SPDL	POSTED SPEED LIMIT	13
ELTL	IS THERE AN EXCLUSIVE LEFT TURN LANE?	12
	F stand for False or No T stands for True or Yes	
LLTL	LENGTH OF LEFT TURN LANE (FEET)	12
AWLI	APPROACH WIDTH (FEET), INCLUDING LEFT TURN LANE	12
AWLO	APPROACH WIDTH (FEET), OF LEFT TURN LANE ONLY	12
NOOL	NUMBER OF OPPOSING LANES, CONSISTS OF ALL LANES (RIGHT TURN, THROUGH, AND LEFT TURN) ON THE OPPOSITE APPROACH (EXCEPTION: WHEN AN EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TURN LANE IS PHYSICALLY SEPARATED BY AN ISLAND IT IS NOT COUNTED AS AN OPPOSING LANE)	12
	NOTE: NOOL_N_APP STANDS FOR THE NUMBER OF LANES N THE <u>SOUTH</u> BOUND DIRECTION	
D OF GEO D	DATE OF THE INTERSECTION LAYOUT OR SKETCH FROM WHICH GEOMETRIC DATA WAS TAKEN	12

PRIMARY SOURCE - OF DATA¹

FIELD NAME DESCRIPTION

<u>VOLUME DATA</u> (This data is presented in the LTTV file)

Notes: Most of the data on volume is presented for each approach to the intersection.

N LEG, N L, N APP, or N A stands for North Leg or North Approach (southbound traffic) S LEG, S L, S APP, or S A stands for South Leg or South Approach (northbound traffic) E LEG, E L, E APP, or E A stands for East Leg or East Approach (westbound traffic) W LEG, W L, W APP, or W A stands for West Leg or West Approach (eastbound traffic)

For many intersection traffic volume data were available from counts taken on more than one date. If data were available for more than one date, the count from the earlier data was called the "early" count and the count from the later date was called the "late" count. The dates on which the counts were taken are listed in the database.

E DATE or E stands for date of "early" traffic count L DATE or L stands for date of "late" traffic count

An entry of NA, meaning Not Applicable, appears in a field when a turning movement does not exist due to a one-way street, or turn prohibition, or because the intersection is a "Tee."

An entry of N DATA, meaning NO DATA, appears in a field when there are not data for that turning movement.

If traffic volume data was available for only one count date the data is shown as an "early" traffic count.

FIELD NAME	DESCRIPTION	PRIMARY SOURCE <u>OF DATA</u>
EADT	AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC COUNT FROM THE "EARLY" DATE (VEHICLES PER DAY IN TWO DIRECTIONS)	14
LADT	AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC COUNT FROM THE "LATE" DATE (VEHICLES PER DAY IN TWO DIRECTIONS)	14
EVOL	APPROACH VOLUME COUNT FROM THE "EARLY" DATE (VEHICLES PER DAY IN ONE DIRECTION (APPROACHING THE INTERSECTION))	14
LVOL	APPROACH VOLUME COUNT FROM THE "LATE" DATE (VEHICLES PER DAY IN ONE DIRECTION (APPROACHING THE INTERSECTION))	14
8HTML	8-HOUR TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT (AN HOURLY AVERAGE FOR THE 8 HIGHEST HOURS), LEFT TURN	14
8НТМТ	8-HOUR TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT (AN HOURLY AVERAGE FOR THE 8 HIGHEST HOURS), THROUGH	14
8HTMR	8-HOUR TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT (AN HOURLY AVERAGE FOR THE 8 HIGHEST HOURS), RIGHT TURN	14
Note: Peak the I	t hour turning movement counts are presented for both the AM peak (designated by P)	ated by A) and
PHTML	PEAK HOUR TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT, LEFT TURN, IN VEHICLES PER HOUR	14
PHTMT	PEAK HOUR TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT, THROUGH, IN VEHICLES PER HOUR	14
PHTMR	PEAK HOUR TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT, RIGHT TURN, IN VEHICLES PER HOUR	14
ACCIDENT DA	ATA (This data is presented in the LTTV File)	
	on NO LTA (number of "Left Turn" Accidents) and NO A I (Number of Argiven by year (82,83,84) and by a three year total (TOT)	gle Accidents)
NO_LTA	NUMBER OF "LEFT TURN" ACCIDENTS	2,3,4,5
NO_A_I	NUMBER OF "ANGLE" ACCIDENTS	2,3,4,5
Note: Caut an a	tion should be used when accident data at interchange locations (these locations in this data field). See discussion in Chapter 2	ons have

FIELD NAME	DESCRIPTION	PRIMARY SOURCE <u>OF DATA</u> 1		
NOLTA 8385	NUMBER OF "LEFT TURN" ACCIDENTS FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD (1/1/83 THROUGH 12/31/85)	6		
NOANG 8385	NUMBER OF "ANGLE" ACCIDENTS FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD (1/1/83 THROUGH 12/31/85)	6		
NOACC 8385	NUMBER OF "TOTAL" ACCIDENTS FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD (1/1/83 THROUGH 12/31/85)	6		
MISCELLANEOUS DATA AND INFORMATION:				
PED_VOL	PEDESTRIAN VOLUME CROSSING THE LEG OF THE INTERSECTION INDICATED	14		
PV_DATE	DATE OF PEDESTRIAN VOLUME COUNT	14		
S_LAND_USE	SURROUNDING LAND USE			
COMM_FIELD	COMMENT FIELD			

¹Source numbers refer to the sources listed in Table B-1

TABLE 2 SAMPLE PRINTOUT OF THE ADOT DATABASE

]	LTSG File		
FIELD NAME	DATA		FIELD NAME	DATA
DISTRICT	1		SPDL_S_APP	
CODE_NUM	20A		SPDL_N_APP	
MAIN_ROUTE	I-10		SPDL_W_APP	55
M_R_ORIENT	EW		SPDL_E_APP	55
CROSS_STR	LITCHFIELD		ELTL_S_APP	T
MPOST_M_R	128.69		ELTL_N_APP	F
SIDE	N		ELTL_W_APP	F
LOCATION	MRCPA CO		ELTL_E_APP	T
JURISDICTN	ADOT		ELTL_E_APP	T
LTPH_S_APP	3		LLTL_S_APP	360
LTPH_N_APP	1		LLTL_N_APP	*
LTPH_W_APP	*		LLTL_W_APP	*
LTPH_E_APP	4		LLTL E APP	210
LTTA_S_APP	T		AWLĪ_S_APP	36
LTTA_N_APP	F		AWLI_N_APP	*
LTTA_W_APP	F		AWLI_W_APP	*
LTTA E APP	T		AWLI_E_APP	24
LTTA_E_APP	Т		AWLO_S_APP	12
LELA_S_APP	2		AWLO N APP	*
LELA N APP	*		AWLO_W_APP	*
LELA_W_APP	*		AWLO_E_APP	26
LELA_E_APP	*		NOOL_S_APP	4
DINT_S_APP			NOOL_N_APP	*
DINT_N_APP			NOOL_W_APP	*
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		LTTV File		
DISTRICT	1		S_L_L_DATE	03/18/81
CODE_NUM	**20A		E_LEG_EADT	244
MAIN_ROUTE	I-10		E_L_E_DATE	03/16/81
M_R_ORIENT	EW		$E_L_L_ADT$	
CROSS_STR	LITCHFIELD		E_L_L_DATE	03/18/81
MPOST_M_R	128.69		W_LEG_EADT	430
SIDE	N		W_L_E_DATE	03/16/81
LOCATION	MRCPA CO		W_L_L_ADT	
JURISDICTN	ADOT		W_L_L_DATE	03/18/81
N_LEG_EADT	9087		N_APP_EVOL	4566
N_L_E_DATE	03/16/81		N_A_E_DATE	03/16/81
N_L_L_ADT			N_A_L_VOL	
N_L_L_DATE	03/18/81		N_A_L_DATE	03/18/81
S_LEG_EADT	9199		S_APP_EVOL	4820
S_L_E_DATE	03/16/81		S_A_E_DATE	03/16/81
S_L_L_ADT	•		S_A_L_VOL	· ·
S_L_L_DATE	03/18/81		S_A_L_DATE	03/18/81
S_A_L_DATE	03/18/81		NA DATE PM	03/16/81
E_APP_EVOL	244		SA_PHTML_A	28
E_A_E_DATE	03/16/81		SA PHTMT A	257
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TABLE 2 (Cont'd) SAMPLE PRINTOUT OF THE ADOT DATABASE

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FIELD NAME	DATA	DII, III	FIELD NAME	DATA
E_A_L_VOL	22.111.		SA_PHTMR_A	NA
E_A_L_DATE	11		SA_DATE_AM	03/16/81
W_APP_EVOL	NA NA		SA_PHTML_P	41
W_A_E_DATE	03/16/81		SA_PHTMT_P	757
W_A_L_VOL	03/10/01		SA_PHTMR_P	NA
W_A_L_DATE	03/18/81		SA_DATE_PM	03/16/81
NA_8HTML_E	NA		EA_PHTML_A	40
NA_8HTMT_E	329		EA_PHTMT_A	1
NA_8HTMR_E	16		EA_PHTMR_A	16
NA_E_DATE	03/16/81		EA_DATE_AM	03/16/81
NA_8HTML_L	03/10/81		EA_PHTML_P	2
NA_8HTMT_L				
NA_8HTMR_L			EA_PHTMT_P	0 4
	02/19/01		EA_PHTMR_P	
NA_L_DATE	03/18/81		EA_DATE_PM	03/16/81
NA_L_DATE	03/18/81		EA_DATE_PM	03/16/81
SA_8HTML_E	29		WA_PHTML_A	NA
SA_8HTMT_E	344		WA_PHTMT_A	NA
SA_8HTMR_E	NA O2/16/01		WA_PHTMR_A	NA
SA_E_DATE	03/16/81		WA_DATE_AM	03/16/81
SA_8HTML_L			WA_PHTML_P	NA
SA_8HTMT_L			WA_PHTMT_P	NA
SA_8HTMR_L	004004		WA_PHTMR_P	NA
SA_L_DATE	03/18/81		WA_DATE_PM	03/18/81
EA_8HTML_E	11		NO_LTA_82	
EA_8HTMT_E	0		NO_LTA_83	
EA_8HTMR_E	6		NO_LTA_84	
EA_E_DATE	03/16/81		NO_LTA_TOT	
EA_8HTML_L			NO_A_I_82	
EA_8HTMT_L			NO_A_I_83	
EA_8HTMR_L			NO_A_I_84	
EA_L_DATE	//		NO_A_I_TOT	
EA_L_DATE	//		NO_A_I_TOT	
WA_8HTML_E	NA		NOLTA_8385	*0
WA_8HTMT_E	NA		NOANG_8385	*1
WA_8HTMR_E	NA		NOACC_8385	*3
WA_E_DATE	03/16/81		PED_VOL_NL	0
WA_8HTML_L			PV_DATE_NL	03/18/81
WA_8HTMT_L			PED_VOL_SL	0
WA_8HTMR_L			PV_DATE_SL	03/18/81
WA_L_DATE	03/18/81		PED VOL EL	0
NA_PHTML_A	NA		PV_DATE_EL	03/18/81
NA_PHTMT_A	632		PED_VOL_WL	0
NA_PHTMR_A	10		PV_DATE_WL	03/18/81
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NA_PHTMR_P	16			
NA_DATE_PM	03/16/81			
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their own individual databases. The value of a single comprehensive signalized intersection database which can be used throughout ADOT is evident.

Several observations were made by the research team while working with the base data provided by ADOT and in compiling the database. It is worthwhile to make note of these observations and pass them on to users of the microcomputer database.

- Data were acquired from many different sources and documents (see Table B-1). Different sources used different methods of identifying intersections. For example, different data sources identify U.S. 60 as Main Street, U.S. 60, or the Apache Trail (in Mesa), or as Apache Boulevard, etc. (in Tempe). Use of different names caused some confusion, particularly for data in parts of the state with which the research team is not completely familiar. In the microcomputer database a route number is consistently used to identify the MAIN ROUTE. The route number is often supplemented by the street name if the roadway has one.
- 2. For most data categories, data were not available from ADOT for every signalized intersection in the state. For type of left turn phasing, for example, over 130 intersections did not have data available. Available information was somewhat sketchy and, in many cases, had to be pulled together in a logical sense. While one data source provided the width of the approach for the main route, it was not given for the cross street. On at least one occasion the same milepost was listed for two different intersections.
- 3. The reduced blueprints (intersection layout sheets) of intersections were difficult to work with. The scale of the drawings had to be estimated in most cases. Some intersection had more than one layout sheet, each showing different geometric information for the intersection. In some cases there was no clear indication as to which design had actually been constructed. Intersection layout sheets were not available for some intersections.

The reliability of the data provided to the research team is not known; the research team assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of the data supplied by ADOT. The team noted that some intersection geometric data were out of date and erroneous due to intersection geometric improvements done over the years. Significant changes in lane geometry have occurred at some intersections since the data sources in items 11 and 12 (Table B-1) were created.

Some of the data supplied and incorporated in the database was more than ten years old. Some of the geometric data and some of the signal phasing data are this old. The remainder of the data was generally less than five years old. While some of the geometric and signal phasing data may be several years old, this, in itself, does not mean that the data is no longer accurate or valid. No field checks were conducted by the research team to verify that data are current; without a field check the accuracy of the data cannot be confirmed.

There are definitely gaps in the data coverage. Table 3 shows, for each field, how many records in each file have data included in the database. For some intersections, there is virtually no useful information, and for other intersections significant data are not available. In general, geometric data is available for only about one-third of the intersections. Approach speed limits are available only for the main route and not for the cross street. The number of opposing lanes is available for only about half of the intersections. One-third of the intersections do not have data on the type of left turn phasing. In general, about one-half of the intersections do not have traffic volume data.

In addition to noting how many intersections have a particular type of data, it is of interest to note how many intersections have a good "supply" or a good "coverage" of data. After reviewing the magnitude of the gaps in the data described above it would be surprising to find a large number of intersections which have data available in most categories. This suspicion is borne out by a review of individual intersections.

An intersection which has a good "coverage" of data might be defined as one which has certain key data elements available. In terms of the future research project to develop left turn signal warrants there are seven key data elements--

TABLE 3. NUMBER OF RECORDS FOR WHICH DATA IS INCLUDED IN THE ADOT DATABASE.(LTSG File)

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FIELD	RECORDS
Record No	496
DISTRICT	496
CODE_NUM	496
MAIN_ROUTE	496
M_R_ORIENT	496
CROSS_STR	496
MPOST_M_R	496
SIDE	150
LOCATION	496
JURISDICTN	496
LTPH_S_APP	302
LTPH_N_APP	302
LTPH_W_APP	316
LTPH E APP	313
	496
LTTA_S_APP	
LTTA_N_APP	496
LTTA_W_APP	496
LTTA_E_APP	496
LELA_S_APP	285
LELA_N_APP	283
LELA_W_APP	303
LELA_E_APP	299
DINT_S_APP	35
DINT_N_APP	34
DINT W APP	23
DINT_E_APP	9
SPDL_S_APP	214
SPDL_N_APP	214
SPDL_W_APP	236
SPDL_E_APP	236
ELTL S APP	496
ELTL_N_APP	496
ELTL_W_APP	496
ELTL_E_APP	496
LLTL_S_APP	173
LLTL_N_APP	168
LLTL_W_APP	175
LLTL_E_APP	178
AWLI_S_APP AWLI_N_APP	205
AWLI_N_APP	199
AWLI_W_APP	200
AWLI_E_APP	205
AWNO_S_APP	178
AWLO_N_APP	174
AWLO_W_APP	195
AWLO_E_APP	190
NOOL_S_APP	236
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NOOL_W_APP	238
NOOL E APP	243
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TABLE 3 - (Cont'd) LTTV File

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FIELD	RECORDS	FIELD	RECORDS
Record No.	496	EA_8HTML_L	184
DISTRICT	496	EA_8HTMT_L	184
CODE_NUM	496	EA_8HTMR_L	184
MAIN ROUTE	496	EA L DATE	
M_R_ORIENT	496	WA_8HTML_E	285
CROSS_ST	496	WA_8HTMT_E	285
MPOST_M_R	496	WA_8HTMR_E	285
SIDE	151	WA_E_DATE	
LOCATION	496	WA_8HTML_L	183
JURISDICTN	496	WA_8HTMT_L	183
N LEG EADT	487	WA_8HTMR_L	183
N_L_E_DATE		WA L DATE	292
N_L_L_ADT		NA_PHTML_A	292
N_L_L_DATE	200	NA_PHTMT_A	292
S_LEG_EADT	290	NA_PHTMR_A	
S_L_E_DATE		NA_DATE_AM	
S_L_L_ADT	188	NA_PHTML_P	292
S_L L_DATE		NA_PHTMT_P	292
E LEG EADT	289	NA_PHTMR_P	292
E_L_E_DATE	20)	NA DATE PM	272
	100		202
E_L_L_ADT	188	SA_PHTML_A	292
E_L_L_DATE		SA_PHTMT_A	292
W_LEG_EADT	290	SA_PHTMR_A	292
W_L_E_DATE		SA_DATE_AM	
W L L ADT	188	SA_PHTML_P	292
W L L DATE		SA_PHTMT_P	292
N APP EVOL	289	SA_PHTMR_P	292
N_A_E_DATE	20)	SA_DATE_PM	272
	107		202
N_A_L_VOL	187	EA_PHTML_A	292
N_A_L_DATE		EA_PHTMT_A	292
S_APP_EVOL	290	EA_PHTMR_A	292
S_A_E_DATE		EA_DATE_AM	
S_A_L_VOL	188	EA_PHTML_P	292
S_A_L_DATE		EA_PHTMT_P	292
E APP EVOL	290	EA_PHTMR_P	292
E A E DATE	270	EA DATE PM	272
	100		202
E_A_L_VOL	188	WA_PHTML-A	292
E_A_L_DATE		WA_PHTMT_A	292
W_APP_EVOL	290	WA_PHTMR_A	292
W_A_E_DATE		WA_DATE_AM	
W_A_L_VOL	188	WA_PHTML_P	292
W_A_L_DATE		WA PHTMT P	292
NA_8HTML_E	286	WA_PHTMR_P	292
NA_8HTMT_E	287	WA_DATE_PM	272
			160
NA_8HTMR_E	287	NO_LTA_82	162
NA_E_DATE		NO_LTA_83	162
NA_8HTML_L	185	NO_LTA_84	162
NA_8HTMT_L		NO_LTA_TOT	162
NA_8HTMR_L	185	NO_A I_82	162
NA_L_DATE		NO A I 83	162
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TABLE 3 - (Cont'd) LTTV File

FIELD	RECORDS
SA_8HTML_E	286
SA_8HTMT_E	286
SA_8HTMR_E	285
SA E DATE	
SA 8HTML L	184
SA_8HTMT L	184
SA 8HTMR L	184
SA L DATE	104
	207
EA_8HTML_E	286
EA_8HTMT_E	286
EA_8HTMR_E	286
EA_E_DATE	
NO_A_I_84	162
NO A I TOT	162
NOLTA 8385	267
NOANG 8385	267
NOACC 8385	267
PED VOL NL	292
PV DATE NL	2)2
	202
PED_VOL_SL	292
PV_DATE_SL	***
PED_VOL_EL	292
PV_DATE_EL	
PED_VOL_WL	292
PV_DATE_WL	
S LAND USE	0

- 1. type of left turn phasing,
- 2. information, leading versus lagging left turn,
- 3. posted speed limit,
- 4. the presence or absence of a separate left turn lane,
- 5. number of opposing lanes,
- 6. volume, and
- 7. accidents.

A review of individual intersections shows that fewer than 55 intersections have data in all five of the categories (1 through 5) listed above and peak hour turning moving counts. These intersections could be described as being relatively data "rich" while the remaining 440 (approximate number) intersections could be described as being relatively data "poor."

The availability of fewer than 55 intersections with a "rich" database presents a limited sample for designing a future research project. This is particularly true considering the fact that these 55 intersections are varied in terms of their characteristics. The type of phasing, speed limit, presence or absence of a separate left turn lane, number of opposing lanes and other characteristics vary from intersection to intersection. The size of subsets of intersections having like characteristics would be rather small.

Since the type of left turn phasing is a very important characteristic, it is important to note the number of intersections for each type of left turn phasing. In the entire database (496 intersections) there are only 10 intersections that have exclusive left turn phasing on all four approaches. Only 11 intersections have exclusive/permissive phasing on all four approaches. One hundred thirteen intersections have permissive phasing on all four approaches and 137 intersections have no data at all on the type of left turn phasing. The small number of intersections which have exclusive phasing on all approaches or exclusive/permissive phasing on all approaches makes design of the future research project and evaluation of relative safety more difficult. Comparison of total intersection accidents is only useful when the type of left turn phasing is the

same on all four approaches. Evaluation of "left turn" and "angle" accidents when the type of phasing is different on various approaches requires much greater care in evaluating accident data.

The above review of the data indicated that data coverage, for most intersections, is incomplete. The relatively small number of intersections that currently have a good coverage of data provides a meager sample of intersections to be used in analyses of safety and/or operations. For this reason, data on signalized intersections was also collected from local jurisdictions in Arizona. The addition of local intersections expanded the number of locations available for analysis.

LOCAL JURISDICTION DATABASE

Information on local signalized intersections was solicited from the eight local jurisdictions listed below (see Appendix C for a sample letter soliciting this information). Six of the jurisdictions (identified by an asterisk) volunteered to contribute information. Shown in parentheses is the number of intersections for which a jurisdiction provided information.

Phoenix

*	Tamana	(20)
~	Tempe	(20)

* Mesa (16)

* Scottsdale (51)

* Glendale (18)

Tucson

* Maricopa County (7)

* Pima County (20)

TOTAL (132)

The data elements requested from local jurisdictions were not as extensive as those acquired from ADOT. Selected data elements were obtained to determine the location, type of left turn phasing, geometry and turning movements. Copies of the survey forms used to obtain the data from the local jurisdictions are shown in Appendix C. Jurisdictions were asked, in addition to providing information on typical intersections, to provide information on intersection approaches

that had been converted from one type of left turn phasing to another. Jurisdictions were asked to provide information for intersections that have two or three lanes of opposing traffic, exclusive left turn lanes, and have turning movement counts available.

The data from local jurisdictions was obtained primarily to enlarge the number of locations with information that could be used to calculate accident rates for various types of left turn phasing (see Chapter 3). Because complete information was provided for most of the 132 local intersections, this greatly enlarged the data set that could be used to calculate accident rates for various types of left turn phasing. Accident data for these intersections was obtained through ADOT from the ALISS accident records system.

A separate database was created for the local jurisdiction intersections. It was also compiled using dBASE III software. The database is contained entirely in one file. Each file contains 74 fields of data. Table 4 is an itemized list of all the elements of data which are included in the local jurisdiction database. The left hand column lists each field exactly as it is labeled in the database. The right hand column gives a verbal description of the data in each field. Table 5 is a sample printout of the database for one record (a single intersection).

TABLE 4 ITEMIZED LIST OF DATA ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN LOCAL INTERSECTION DATABASE

FIELD NAME DESCRIPTION

NORTH-SOUTH

Name of north-south street Name of east-west street

EAST-WEST

City or county with responsibility for the traffic signal

JURSIDICTN

NOTES:

Most of the data on signal phasing and geometry is presented for each approach to the

intersection.

N APP or N A stands for North approach to the interesection (southbound traffic). S APP or S A stands for South approach to the intersection (northbound traffic). E APP or E A stands for East approach to the interesection (westbround traffic). W APP or W.A. stands for West approach to the intersection (eastbound traffic).

For many intersections the type of left turn phasing has changed. Sometimes it has changed more than once.

DINT

Date of installation of the original left turn phasing.

DINTC1 DINTC2 Date of the first change (if any) in type of left turn phasing. Date of the second change (if any) in type of left turn phasing.

NOTES:

The time period between DINT and DINTC1 is referred to as the Before (B) period. The time period between DINTC1 and DINTC2 is referred to as the After (A) period. The time period after DINTC2 is referred to as the After-After (AA) period.

The lending letters of A,B, or AA in a field name refer to these time periods.

LTPH

TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING

- 1. Stands for prohibited
- 2. Stands for exclusive
- 3. Stands for exclusive/permissive
- 4. Stands for permissive

LELA

IS LEFT TURN LEADING OR LAGGING?

- 1. Stands for Leading Left Turn
- 2. Stands for Lagging Left Turn

ELTL

IS THERE AN EXCLUSIVE LEFT TURN LANE?

F stands for False or No T stands for True or Yes

NOOL

NUMBER OF OPPOSING LANES, CONSISTS OF ALL LANES (RIGHT TURN, THROUGH, AND LEFT TURN) ON THE OPPOSITE APPROACH (EXCEPTION: WHEN AN EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TURN LANE IS PHYSICALLY SEPARATED BY AN ISLAND IT IS NOT COUNTED AS AN OPPOSING LANE).

NOTE: NOOL-N-APP STANDS FOR THE NUMBER OF LANES IN THE SOUTHBOUND DIRECTION.

TABLE 4 (Cont'd) ITEMIZED LIST OF DATA ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN LOCAL INTERSECTION DATABASE

CHNGINTGEO HAS THERE BEEN ANY CHANGE IN INTERESECTION

GEOMETRY SINCE 1982?

F Stands for False or No T Stands for True or Yes

24HTM TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT FOR A 24-HOUR

PERIOD.

The two leading letters refer to the approach.

E.G. NA = north approach.

The trailing letter refers to the turning movement.

L = LeftT = Through

R = Right

The single suffix letter E or L is used to differentiate between turning movement counts on two different dates. If there is only one turning movement count, it is listed as "E". If there are two turning movement counts, the earlier one is listed as "E" and the later one is listed as "L."

E24HTMDATE The date of the earlier (or single) turning movement count.

L24HTMDATE The date of the later turning movement count.

TABLE 5
SAMPLE PRINTOUT OF THE LOCAL INTERSECTION DATABASE

FIELD NAME	DATA	FIELD NAME	DATA
NORTH_SOUTH	GRANITE REEF	AALELA_E_A	2
EAST_WEST	McDOWELL	AALELA_W_A	2 T
JURSIDICTION	SCOTTSDALE	ELTL_N_APP	T
DINT_N_APP	04/27/67	ELTL_S_APP	Ť
DINT_S_APP	04/27/67	ELTL_E_APP	T
DINT_E_APP	11/05/86	ELTL_W_APP	T T 2 2 3 3 T
DINT_W_APP	04/27/67	NOOL_N_APP	2
DINTC1_N_A	/ /	NOOL_S_APP	2
DINTC1_S_A	//	NOOL_E_APP	3
DINTC1_E_A	06/07/88	NOOL_W_APP	5
DINTC1_W_A	12/15/88	CHNGINTGEO	
DINTC2_N_A	/ /	NA24HTML_E	1260
DINTC2_S_A	//	NA24HTML_E	1260
DINTC2_E_A	01/26/89	NA24HTMT_E	2218
DINTC2_W_A	01/26/89	NA24HTMR_E	1027
BLTPH_N_AP	4	SA24HTML_E	1051
BLTPH_S_AP	4	SA24HTMT_E	4136
BLTPH_S_AP	4	SA24HTMR_E	995
BLTPH_E_AP	4 2 4	EA24HTML_E	1087
BLTPH_W_AP	4	EA24HTMT_E	10624
BLELA_N_AP		EA24HTMR_E	2561
BLELA_S_AP	_	WA24HTML_E	1396
BLELA_E_AP	1	WA24HTMT_E	8323
BLELA_W_AP	_	WA24HTMR_E	769
ALTPH_N_AP	4	E24HTMDATE	06/04/87
ALTPH_S_AP	4	NA24HTML_L	0
ALTPH_E_AP	4 3 3	NA24HTMT_L	0
ALTPH_W_AP	3	NA24HTMR_L	0
ALELA_N_AP		SA24HTML_L	0
ALELA_S_AP	_	SA24HTML_L	0
ALELA_E_AP	1	SA24HTMT_L	0
ALELA_W_AP	1	SA24HTMR_L	0
AALTPH_N_A	4	EA24HTML_L	0
AALTPH_S_A	4	EA24HTMT_L	0
AALTPH_S_A	4 3 3	EA24HTMR_L	0
AALTPH_E_A	3	WA24HTML_L	0
AALTPH_W_A	3	WA24HTMT_L	0
AALELA_N_A		WA24HTMR_L	0
AALELA_S_A		L24HTMDATE	11

CHAPTER 3 - RECOMMENDED DESIGN FOR COMPARING THE RELATIVE SAFETY OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF LEFT TURN PHASING

INTRODUCTION

The objective of the safety evaluation is to detect differences (if any) in accident experience for the three different types of left turn phasing and, if possible, for leading versus lagging operation as well. The Request for Proposals stated that the approach used to detect differences in accident experience must provide statistically sound results. In addition, it is desirable to select an approach which has data requirements that are compatible with the data already available in the microcomputer databases and/or which can be reasonably acquired through data collection.

The most common method of comparing accident experience at intersections is the accident rate method. The basic data required for this method are the number of accidents and traffic volume information for a given period of time. The left turn accident is the most appropriate accident type, in the opinion of the research team, for evaluating accident experience for left turn phasing. In addition to stratifying intersections by type of left turn phasing, stratification by number of opposing lanes, left turn volume and opposing volume may reveal more about relative accident experience.

This chapter will:

Discuss different candidate approaches or designs that can be used for conducting a safety evaluation and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each.

Present information on accident statistics for intersections in the ADOT and local jurisdiction databases.

Present information on before and after accident statistics for intersection approaches that have been converted from one type of left turn phasing to another.

Recommend a design to be used for the safety evaluation to be conducted in the future research project.

One of the responsibilities of this project was to recommend a design for comparing the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing in the future research project. The study team evaluated several different candidate designs that could be used for conducting a safety evaluation. This section will discuss those various designs and their advantages and disadvantages.

COMMONLY USED DESIGNS TO EVALUATE A SINGLE TREATMENT

Several different candidate approaches or designs are available for conducting a safety evaluation. Those designs that are commonly used in safety evaluations to evaluate a single treatment are identified as follows:

- 1. Simple Comparison
- 2. Simple before/after design
- 3. Before/after design with randomized control group
- 4. Before/after design with comparison group
- 5. Before/after design with a comparison group, and a check for comparability
- 6. Interrupted time series design
- 7. Time series with comparison groups
- 8. Time series with comparison variables, and
- 9. Time series with switching variables.

Each design has its own unique assumptions and stipulations which must be satisfied in order to insure that relevant statistical results are obtained. The first three of the above designs were considered by the research team and are described on the following pages.

Each design has its own advantages and disadvantages for use in safety evaluations. Selection of a design must be exercised carefully to avoid pitfalls in the analysis. For example, a simple before/after design is vulnerable to several threats to its validity including "History," "Maturation," "Regression to the Mean," and "Instability." These threats are fully described on pages 38-41 of FHWA's Accident Research Manual (1). Lindsay Griffin's paper entitled "Three Procedures for Evaluating Highway Safety Improvement Programs" (3) also describes threats to validity. Both documents present good descriptions of the more commonly used designs for safety evaluations and for that reason the designs are not extensively described here.

A significant amount of historical data is available. Historical data for left turn accidents will be presented and discussed later in this chapter. Because historical data is available, it is important to consider the possible use of historical data alone. Potentially, there are two different

ways in which historical accident data could be used to conduct a safety evaluation. However, each of these ways has shortcomings which the reader should understand. The two ways of using historical data are described below.

SIMPLE COMPARISON OF ACCIDENT RATES

The first way in which historical data could be used is to assign signalized intersections (or approaches) to one of five groups and then compare the accident rate for each group. The five groups would be: Group A -- intersections (approaches) with permissive left turn phasing; Group B--intersections (approaches) with leading exclusive/permissive left turn phasing; Group C -- intersections (approaches) with lagging exclusive/permissive left turn phasing; Group -- D intersections (approaches) with leading exclusive phasing; and Group E -- intersections with lagging exclusive phasing. This is a basic approach that will be used to present accident statistics later in this chapter. If a common time period is used for evaluating accidents for each of these groups then three of the more common "threats to validity" (see pages 39-41 of the FHWA Accident Research Manual) can be overcome. These three threats are History, Maturation, and Regression Artifacts.

If all intersections (approaches) with permissive left turn phasing are assigned to Group A, and all intersections (approaches) with leading exclusive/permissive left turn phasing are assigned to Group B, and so forth, then a different type of error will be introduced. That error is that each group would have different intersection characteristics. The most obvious difference—one which will be confirmed by data presented later in this chapter—is that some groups have much different traffic volumes than others. If comparisons were to be made of the accident rates experienced by Groups A, B, C,D and E, it could not conclusively be stated that differences in accident rates were due to different types of left turn phasing. It is, in fact, quite possible that some or all of the differences in accident rates could be attributed to differences in traffic volume or other intersection characteristics. Tables 7 and 8, discussed later in this chapter, illustrate how misleading it can be to simply use groups as described above. Those tables show that left turn accident rate is influenced by left turn volume and opposing volume. Using a random sample from the ADOT

and local jurisdiction signalized intersections to create Groups A-E would not overcome this problem.

If intersections are not selected at random, but rather are selected so that intersection characteristics are similar in all groups, then the chance of error is reduced, but not eliminated. Stratification by volume, as is done in Tables 7 and 8, for example, is one way of doing this.

To summarize, the advantages and disadvantages of this approach, using data already compiled, are shown below.

Advantages

- A. The data are currently available.
- B. Most of the data are based on a common time period at all locations; hence, there is a reduced concern about history, maturation and regression artifacts threats to validity affecting the conclusions.

Disadvantages

- A. A primary disadvantage of this option is that the statistical design is weaker than other options. This option would preclude the setting up of a statistical design in which Type I and Type II errors are of paramount importance. Furthermore, it is a weaker statistical design in that intersections were not randomly assigned for treatment (conversion to a different type of left turn phasing). A particular intersection approach falls into a particular group because there was a perceived or demonstrated need to have that type of left turn phasing on that approach. This introduces a bias because all locations do not have an equal chance of being treated with a certain type of left turn phasing. For example, some types of left turn phasing may tend to have higher volumes than others.
- B. Another concern in this option is the reduced confidence of historical turning movement counts utilized to calculate accident rates.
- C. In certain cases, such as lagging exclusive phasing there is an unacceptably small sample size of empirical data for left turn accident rates.

SIMPLE BEFORE/AFTER DESIGN

The second way in which historical data could be used is to evaluate "before" and "after" accident data for those locations where the type of left turn phasing was changed in the past or will be changed in the near future. This design can include both those conversions which have been or will be made by ADOT and those conversions that have been or will be made by local jurisdictions. Data provided by ADOT (Source 10 in Table B-1) lists 61 intersections which were changed from permissive phasing and which have "before" and "after" accident data available. The dates on which the left turn phasing was changed at these intersections ranges from as early as 1955 to as late as 1985. Since there are a variety of dates, this approach would be subject to threats to validity due to History, Maturation, and Regression Artifacts if all of these intersections were used.

Additional data on conversions, from local jurisdictions, is also available. The additional data increases the sample size but, again the conversions were made on a variety of dates throughout the 1980's. The variation in dates has an effect on the quality of the statistics. To summarize, the advantages and disadvantages of this approach, are shown below.

Advantages

A. Does not require conversion of left turn phasing (other than those which jurisdictions have implemented or will implement anyway)

Disadvantages

A. The design has an inherent bias in that intersections are not randomly assigned for conversion or to a control group. This makes the conclusions somewhat suspect since all locations do not have the same chance of being treated, i.e., converted from one type of left turn phasing to another. The treatment group is treated (changed from one type of left turn phasing to another) because of a demonstrated need rather than being treated on a random basis. This lack of random assignment of traffic intersections has a major impact on the relative strength of this design.

- B. This approach requires a minimum sample size so that sound statistics for mean accident rate and the standard deviation can be developed. It should be noted that approximately 40 or fewer intersection approaches in the ADOT signalized intersection database have been changed from one type of phasing to another since 1979. There are not enough locations in the ADOT database alone to design a safety evaluation of this type. A database would have to be augmented with information from converted locations in local jurisdictions as will be done with historical conversion data later in this chapter.
- C. An additional concern on the part of the research team is the conversion of traffic signals at different points in time at different intersections. This consideration is relevant since the impacts of history, maturation and regression artifacts may be present and difficult to overcome. Similarly, it is more difficult to establish a control group or a comparison group when conversions have taken place during various years.
- D. Lower confidence in the historical turning movement count data.
- E. While some types of conversions may be made from time to time, other types of conversions may never be made. Conversions that are not made do not provide a comparison.

BEFORE/AFTER DESIGN WITH RANDOMIZED CONTROL GROUP

This type of experimental design enables the researcher to compare the accident rate of a control group with the accident rate of another group that has been "treated" in a prescribed manner. This treatment could be the installation of exclusive left turn phasing or some other type of left turn phasing different from the control group.

Successful use of the before/after design with randomized control group would be predicated upon successfully accomplishing a series of steps. These steps are as follows:

(a) identify a set of intersections with permissive left turn phasing;

- (b) convert one-half to exclusive left turn phasing (this would constitute a "treatment" for conducting the statistical study);
- (c) collect accident data over a period of time; and
- (d) compare accident rate experience between the two groups.

The following paragraphs describe each of the above steps in the study design in more detail.

- 1. A set of intersections currently having permissive left turn phasing would be selected. The intersections would have relatively high traffic volumes (high enough such that they would be approaching the conditions where exclusive phasing might be considered). The intersections would also be selected so that the group would be reasonably homogeneous in terms of intersection characteristics such as adequate sight distance and approach speed. The nature of the intersection characteristics for the set of intersections should be typical of signalized intersections in Arizona. It is possible that two (or maybe more) sets of intersections might be created and that each set of intersections might be evaluated separately in succeeding steps. For example, there might be separate sets for intersections with two opposing lanes and with three opposing lanes.
- Each of the intersections would be randomly assigned the type of treatment it would receive during the evaluation period. Random assignment can be assured by using a random number generator type of process. One-half of the intersections would be assigned the treatment of exclusive left-turn phasing and other half would serve as the control group (no treatment).
- 3. "Before" accident data would be obtained for each intersection. Data would be collated by group (treatment group and control group). A "before" accident period of 2 to 3 years is recommended; this duration must be consistent at all intersections where data is collected. Historical data for the most recent 2 to 3 years may, and from a practical standpoint, should be used.

- 4. The treatment would be installed at each designated intersection location (one-half of the intersections). Note: It is not essential that the treatment be installed on all four approaches to an intersection.
- 5. "After" accident data would be accumulated at each location. To reduce threats to validity, data should be collected for a common time period for each location. A "break-in" period of one to three months after installation should be employed to allow drivers to become accustomed to the new phasing. The research team believes that at least two years of accident data will be needed to develop statistically meaningful results on the accident rate of the different groups.
- 6. Accident data would be statistically evaluated using the before/after design with randomized control group to detect the relative difference in accident rate experience for the two types of left turn phasing.

To summarize, the advantages and disadvantages of this approach are shown below.

Advantages

- A. It is statistically rigorous, enabling meaningful conclusions to be drawn from empirical data. It is based upon the random assignment of traffic intersections to either a control group or a study group.
- B. This design effectively overcomes the threats to validity caused by history (other causes at the same time), maturation (trends over time) and regression artifacts.
- C. Another strong point of this design is the high confidence in the accuracy of the turning movement counts used to develop accident rates.

Disadvantages

A. Requires an impractically large number of field conversion locations which must be implemented if this design is selected.

EVALUATION OF MULTIPLE TREATMENTS

The three candidate approaches or designs described up to this point are those which can be used to evaluate a *single* treatment. These designs do not enable the researcher to compare accident

rates of two or more treatments (multiple treatments). They could be used to compare a treatment (leading exclusive left turn phasing) to a control group (permissive left turn phasing). These designs *could not*, however, be used to compare two different treatments (leading exclusive phasing and leading exclusive/permissive phasing) to a control group (permissive phasing) or to one another.

It is highly desirable that the planned research study recommend an experimental design which has the capability to compare different treatments to one another as well as to a control group. At a minimum, it would be desirable to compare permissive left turn phasing, exclusive left turn phasing, and exclusive/permissive left turn phasing to one another. Beyond this, it is of interest to consider any differences in accident experience due to leading and lagging operation. An approach or design which enables this to be done is embodied in a statistical method called Analysis of Variance.

There are, however, practical problems involving implementation as well as inherent assumptions which must be made in order to use this particular experimental design. In order for the results of this study to be statistically sound, the Analysis of Variance experimental design requires that equal variances in accident rate be observed for each type of left turn phasing considered. This requirement may not be satisfied (based upon preliminary statistical analyses of the empirical data obtained during this study). In addition, the required sample size which would satisfy acceptable sampling risks to ADOT would require more intersections than are available in the ADOT and local jurisdiction databases. Because these requirements could not be satisfied, the research team concluded that an evaluation of multiple treatments is not feasible at this time.

The preceding pages have described four theoretical designs that could be used to compare the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing. As part of this project, two of the study designs were applied to existing data available from the signalized intersection databases and accident records. The two following sections describe a simple comparison of accident rates and a simple before/after comparison of accident rates. Both approaches used historical data.

ACCIDENT STATISTICS FOR A SIMPLE COMPARISON

One method of comparing the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing is to compare accident rates on approaches with one type of left turn phasing with accident rates on approaches with a second type of left turn phasing. This is the simple comparison design. Data acquired for the ADOT signalized intersections and the local jurisdiction intersections (see discussion on microcomputer databases in previous chapter) provided the opportunity to develop accident statistics and enable a comparison. Statistics were developed for different types of left turn phasing, varying numbers of opposing lanes (2 or 3), varying ranges of left-turn volume, and varying ranges of opposing volume.

Accident statistics were developed for left-turn accidents and were developed as an accident rate. The left turn accident rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (as classified by the "manner of collision" on the accident report form) and the associated left turn volume. The rate is expressed in terms of number of left turn accidents per one million left turning vehicles.

Each sample used in developing the accident statistics represents a single approach at an intersection. A total of 523 samples (intersection approaches) were included in developing the accident statistics. Approaches with two opposing lanes had 329 samples; approaches with three opposing lanes had 194 samples. All approaches used for this analysis had a separate left turn lane.

For intersections on the state highway system, most samples represent a four-year accident history (1983 through 1986). For intersections in local jurisdictions, samples range from a minimum of 7 months to a maximum of 48 months (all in the period from 1981 to 1989). The "mean" accident rate is a weighted average which is weighted in proportion to the time period sampled on an approach.

The quality of the accident statistics is affected by the accuracy of the traffic volume information and the quality of the accident records system. A user of these statistics should be aware of these potential limitations. The accuracy of the left turn volumes and the accuracy of the volume of opposing traffic could vary depending upon the day of the week and the month of the

year on which the count was made. Volumes were sometimes interpolated or extrapolated from count dates before and/or after the time period when the accident data were collected. Traffic volumes may have fluctuated during the four year period in which the accident data was collected (due to changes in the roadway network or changes in land use/development). In virtually all cases turning movement count volumes for a shorter number of hours during the day were expanded to estimate a 24 hour volume.

The quality of the accident records system is affected by underreporting, misclassification of accidents (the manner of collision, for example), and other factors.

Gross accident statistics are presented in Table 6. Statistics are presented for five types of left turn phasing: permissive; leading exclusive/permissive; lagging exclusive/permissive; leading exclusive; and lagging exclusive. Separate statistics are presented for locations having two opposing lanes of traffic and locations having three opposing lanes of traffic. The mean left turn accident rate is presented along with the sample size (N) on which that mean rate is based.

The following observations and conclusions can be made about the statistics that are not stratified by volume.

The sample size for lagging exclusive phasing is too small to rely upon the average accident rates for comparison purposes.

Of the four remaining types of phasing -

- Leading exclusive phasing has the lowest left turn accident rate.
- When there are two opposing lanes, lagging exclusive/permissive has the worst accident rate.
- When there are three opposing lanes, leading exclusive/permissive has the worst accident rate.
- For two opposing lanes, the order of safety (from best to worst) is leading exclusive, permissive, leading exclusive/permissive, lagging exclusive/permissive. However, there is a small difference in the accident rate among the last three types of phasing.

TABLE 6
STATISTICS ON LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATE

		Permissive	Leading Exclusive/ Permissive	Lagging Exclusive/ Permissive	Leading Exclusive	Lagging Exclusive
2 opposing	m	2.62	2.71	3.02	1.02	2.09
lanes	n	1.62	62	44	57	4*
3 opposing	m	3.83	4.54	2.65	1.33	0.55
lanes	n	25	52	35	80	2*

Left Turn Accident Rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (Manner of Collision) and the associated left turn volume. The rate is in terms of accidents per million left turning vehicles. Each sample represents a single approach at an intersection.

^{*} Sample size is too small to rely upon the average accident rate for comparison purposes.

- o For three opposing lanes, the order of safety (from best to worst) is leading exclusive, lagging exclusive/permissive, permissive, leading exclusive/permissive.
- o In three out of four cases accident rates are higher with three opposing lanes. The exception is for lagging exclusive/permissive phasing (although the difference in rates is small).

Tables 7 and 8 present similar accident statistics for various ranges of left turn volume (vehicles per day) and various ranges of opposing volume (vehicles per day). Opposing volume is defined as the through and right turn volume on the approach opposite the left turn movement.

The following observations and conclusions can be made about the statistics that are stratified by volume.

The sample size for lagging exclusive phasing is too small to rely upon the average accident rates for comparison purposes.

Of the four remaining types of phasing -

- There are several cases where the sample size is 5 or less. It would be very risky to make comparisons with mean accident rates based upon a sample size of 5 or less. Therefor, no interpretations are made for these cases.
- Leading exclusive phasing has the lowest left turn accident rate in almost every case. This is true in every left turn volume range and every opposing volume range except one (19 out of 20 cases).
- When there are two lanes of opposing traffic, lagging exclusive/permissive tends to have the worst accident rate.
- When there are three lanes of opposing traffic, leading exclusive/permissive tends to have the worst accident rate.
- When there are two lanes of opposing traffic, the order of safety (from best to worst) tends to be leading exclusive, permissive, leading exclusive/permissive, lagging

TABLE 7
STATISTICS ON LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATE
STRATIFIED BY LEFT TURN VOLUME

Left Turn Vol.	n Permissive		Exclusive/ Ex Permissive Pe		Exclus Permis	Lagging Exclusive/ ermissive		Leading Exclusive		ing sive
0.4000	MEAN	N	MEAN	N	MEAN	N	MEAN	N	MEAN	N
0-1000 1000-	3.07	93	4	16	4.71	10	1.24	14	6.3	1
2000 2000-	2.38	51	2.44	25	2.89	13	1.42	22	1.43	1
3000 3000-	.87	13	2.43	16	2.66	9	51	13	.62	1
4000	1.62	3	2.87	3	2.19	7	.52	2	N.A.	0
>4000 Cumula-	.45	2	.84	2	1.21	5	.24	6	0	1
tive	2.62	162	2.71	62	3.02	44	1.02	57	2.09	4
	3 Opposing	g Lanes								
0-1000										
1000-	4.21	8	4.33	17	1.11	7	1.37	12	1.66	1
2000 2000-	3.51	12	5.94	8	4.34	12	1.09	23	0	1
3000 3000-	4.06	5	3.98	11	2.87	6	1.26	26	N.A.	0
4000	N.A.	0	3.98	11	2.03	6	. 84	12	N.A.	0
>4000	N.A.	0	5.27	5	1.67	4	92	7	N.A.	0
Cumula- tive	3.83	25	4.54	52	2.65	35	1.33	80	.55	2

Left Turn Accident Rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (Manner of Collision) and associated left turn volume. The rate is in terms of accidents per million left turning vehicles. Each sam represents a single approach at an intersection.

Left Turn Volume is the 24 hour left turn volume.

Mean is the mean accident rate for the approaches in the sample.

N is the sample size.

Cumulative is the weighted average mean for all volumes.

TABLE 8
STATISTICS ON LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATE
STRATIFIED BY OPPOSING VOLUME

Oppos- ing -Vol.	Permissive		Exclu	eading Lagging clusive/ Exclusive/ missive Permissive		sive/	Leading Exclusive		Lagging Exclusive	
	MEAN	N	MEAN	N	MEAN	N	MEAN	N	MEAN	N
0-5000 5000-	1.4	71	1.97	15	1.43	5	.23	9	0	1
10000 10000-	1.98	58	2.92	21	3.26	15	.49	17	1.43	1
15000- 15000-	3.54	17	2.89	19	3.47	18	2.07	19	3.46	2
20000	6.08	8	2.33	5	3.54	2	64	06	N.A.	0
>20000	4.99	.8	4.54	2	2.57	2	.69	.06	N.A.	0
Cumu- lative	2.62	162	2.71	62	3.02	42	1.02	57	2.09	4
3 (Opposing l	Lanes								
0-5000 5000-	3.28	5	3.91	2	N.A.	0	.25	3	1.66	1
10000	2.05	. 7	4.78	10	2.57	.8	1.01	12	N.A.	0
10000- 15000	4.83	5	4.32	.12	3.3	11	.98	22	.0	1
15000- 20000	6.61	.4	4.98	.16	2.51	10	1.15	17	N.A.	0
>20000	2.78	.4	4.07	12	1.88	6	1.45	26	N.A.	0
Cumu- lative	3.83	25	4.54	52	2.65	35	1.33	80	.55	2

Left Turn Accident Rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (Manner of Collision) and the associated left turn volume.rate is in terms of accidents per million left turning vehicles. Each sample represents a single approach at an intersection.

Opposing Volume is the 24 hour opposing volume (through and right turning vehicles on the opposite approach).

Mean is the mean accident rate for the approaches in the sample.

N is the sample size.

Cumulative is the weighted average mean for all volumes.

- exclusive/permissive. However, there is a small difference in the accident rate among the last three types of phasing.
- When there are three lanes of opposing traffic, the order of safety (from best to worst) tends to be leading exclusive, lagging exclusive/permissive, permissive, leading exclusive/permissive.
- Of Generally, accident rates are higher for three opposing lanes of traffic than for two opposing lanes of traffic. This is true in 30 out of 40 "cases" (combinations of phasing and volume). Lagging exclusive/permissive tends to be an exception to this rule.
- Some trends are apparent in the accident rate as a function of volume.
 - For all four types of phasing (permissive, leading exclusive/permissive, lagging exclusive/permissive, and leading exclusive), with **two** opposing lanes of traffic, the accident rate **decreases** as left turn volume **increases**. Figures 1 3 plot left turn accident rate as a function of left turn volume for three of these conditions (permissive phasing, lagging exclusive/permissive, and leading exclusive).
 - For all four types of phasing (permissive, leading exclusive/permissive, lagging exclusive/permissive, and leading exclusive), with **two** opposing lanes of traffic, the accident rate **increases** as opposing volume **increases**.
 - For three opposing lanes of traffic there is only one apparent trend in left turn accident rate as a function of volume. For permissive left turn phasing the accident rate increases as opposing volume increases.

The study team also looked at accident statistics for conditions that were stratified by both left turn volume and opposing volume at the same time. This would allow one to pick a range of left turn volume, a range of opposing volume, a number of opposing lanes, and a type of phasing and determine the accident rate for those conditions. For example, the condition of: left turn volumes between 0 and 1000 per day, opposing volume between 0 and 5000 per day, two opposing lanes, and permissive left turn phasing had a left turn accident rate of 1.53 (based upon a sample size of 44).

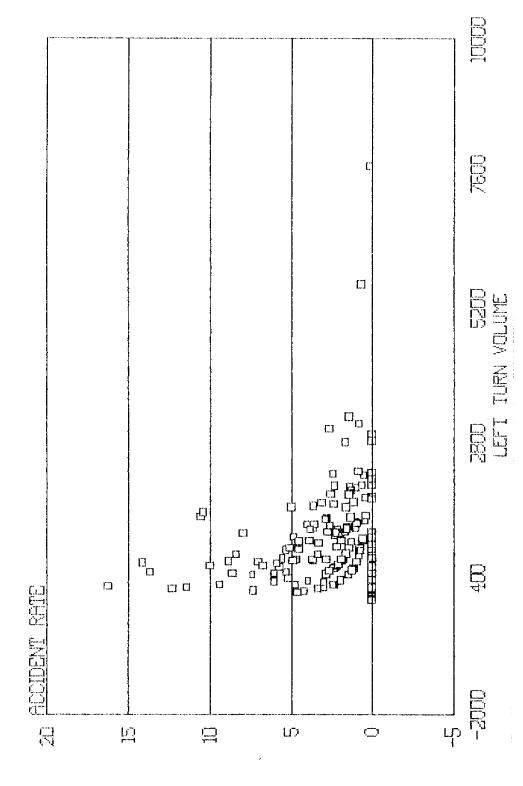


FIGURE 1 - LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATE FOR PERMISSIVE LEFT TURN PHASING - 2 OPPOSING LANES

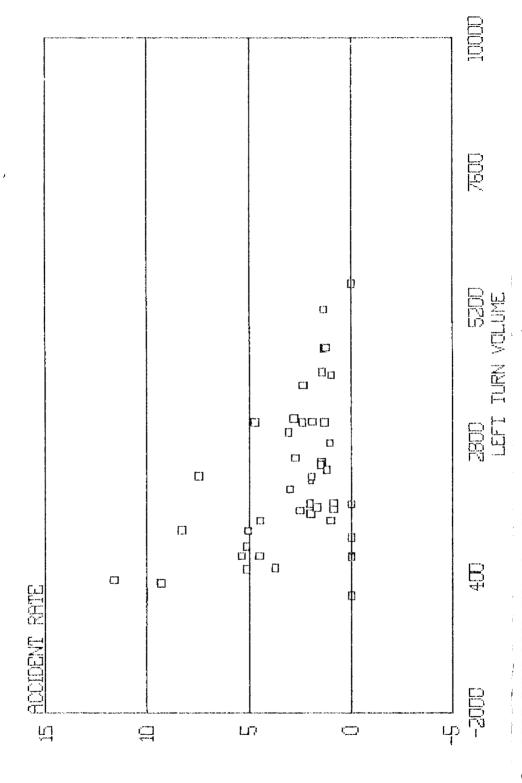


FIGURE 2 - LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATE FOR LAGGING EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE LEFT TURN PHASING -

2 OPPOSING LANES

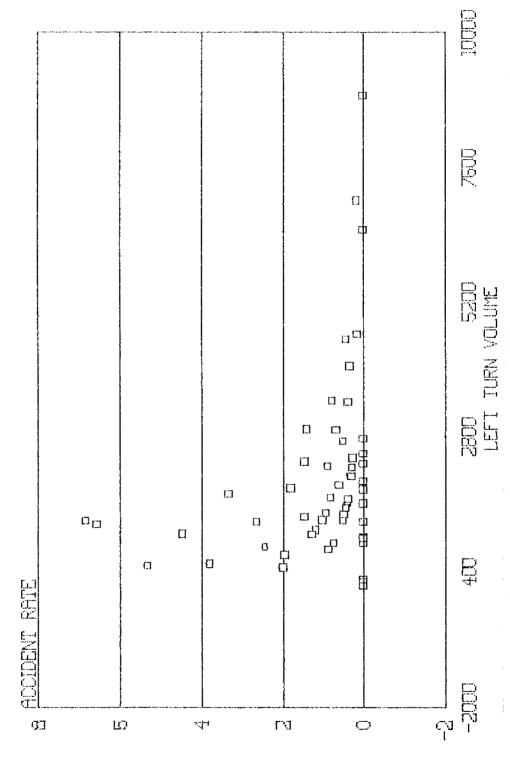


FIGURE 3 - LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATE FOR LEADING EXCLUSIVE LEFT TURN PHASING - 2 OPPOSING LANES

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The availability of accident rate information of this form would be a tremendous asset to the traffic engineer. Unfortunately, stratifying conditions to this level of detail resulted in very small sample sizes for most cases. Eighty-eight percent of the cases had a sample size of 5 or less. Forty-two percent of the cases had a sample size of zero.

It is important that the reader understand the limitations of all of the accident rate information presented in this section. There are weaknesses in the relatively simple method that was used to obtain accident information and compute accident rates. The quality of the accident rates - and the reasons that quality might be degraded - were described earlier in this section. Beyond this, there are other limitations. The intersections used to develop these accident statistics were **not** randomly selected. They are simply the intersections for which jurisdictions were able to provide all of the necessary data. The time period used for accident information was not the same for all of the locations. Most of the intersections on the ADOT system had data available for a four year period from 1983 through 1986. The time period for local intersections varied considerably; the time period from 1985 to 1988 was most common. Although efforts were made to make intersections as alike as possible (in terms of type of phasing, number of opposing lanes, left turn volume, opposing volume, and the existence of a separate left turn lane), there may still be differences in intersection characteristics among the different groups.

ACCIDENT STATISTICS FOR CONVERSIONS

A second means of comparing the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing is to compare the accident experience before and after a location had been converted from one type of phasing to another. To make this type of comparison, additional information was obtained on conversions from one type of phasing to another for both ADOT roadway intersections and local jurisdiction intersections.

Among the sources of data provided by ADOT to develop the microcomputer database was: "Signalized Intersection Tabulation, Left Turn Phasing, Intersections With Left Turn Phasing" (source number 10, Appendix B). This tabulation identified 61 intersections on the ADOT roadway network which had the type of left turn phasing changed at some point in time. The dates

of these conversions were spread out over a long period of time -- from 1955 to 1985. Twenty-nine of the 61 intersections had the type of phasing changed prior to 1980. Among the remainder were thirteen intersections, in Tucson and Pima County, which were changed from leading to lagging operation in mid-1985. Most of these locations were used, in conjunction with conversion locations in local jurisdictions (described below), to develop before and after accident statistics.

As noted in the preceding chapter, local jurisdictions were solicited for information on intersections that had been converted from one type of phasing to another. This information was collected through the forms labeled as Attachments 2 and 3 in Appendix C. Information was collected for intersection approaches that had a separate left turn lane, either two or three lanes of opposing traffic, and had turning movement counts available. The study team acquired accident data from the ALISS accident records system.

Six local jurisdictions provided information. The number of intersection approaches in each jurisdiction that were usable for the analysis were as follows.

ADOT	15
Glendale	12
Maricopa County	0
Mesa	0
Pima County	3
Scottsdale	157
Tempe	7
TOTAL	194

The local jurisdiction conversions which were used for a before and after analysis included some conversions that were made as early as 1984 and several that were made as late as late 1988 and early 1989. For each conversion, four years of before accident data were used if it was available. Four years of after accident data were used in those cases where it was available. In many cases, such as the conversions done in late 1988 and early 1989, a shorter after period was available. In most of these cases, accident data through the end of 1989 was acquired. A driver adjustment period of at least 60 days was allowed after a conversion. No accident data was used from this 60 day period.

With five different types of left turn phasing, there are twenty different conversions that could take place. The different types of conversions are not equally popular. For example, it is rare to convert from some more restrictive type of phasing to permissive phasing. As a second example, lagging operation is not commonly used in Arizona and, therefore, there have been few conversions to lagging phasing. Among the 194 approaches used in the statistical evaluation, the more popular types of conversion and their frequency are noted below.

Permissive to Leading Exclusive/Permissive	20
Permissive to Lagging Exclusive/Permissive	17
Leading Exclusive/Permissive to Permissive	17
Leading Exclusive/Permissive to Lagging Exclusive/Permissive	73
Leading Exclusive to Leading Exclusive/Permissive	25
Leading Exclusive to Lagging Exclusive/Permissive	15
Leading Exclusive to Lagging Exclusive	22

These seven types of conversion accounted for 189 out of the 194 intersection approaches. Eleven out of the 20 possible types of conversions had never been done in the field for reasons such as those noted above.

Tables 9 and 10 present before and after accident statistics for the 194 approaches that were converted from one type of left turn phasing to another. The left turn accident rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (Manner of Collision) and the associated left turn volume. The rate is in terms of accidents per million left turning vehicles. Each sample represents a single approach at an intersection. Data is presented on the before and the after accident rates; the total number of months of data in the before period and in the after period; and the number of intersection approaches on which the statistics are based. Table 9 presents statistics for intersections with two opposing lanes of traffic and Table 10 presents statistics for intersections with three opposing lanes of traffic.

The following observations and conclusions can be made for the conversions made at approaches having two opposing lanes of traffic.

TABLE 9

BEFORE AND AFTER LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATES FOR APPROACHES CONVERTED FROM ONE TYPE OF PHASING TO ANOTHER - 2 OPPOSING LANES

O F

PHASING

TYPE

AFTER

		Permissive	Leading E/P	Lagging E/P	Leading Exclusive	Lagging Exclusive
B E F O R E	Permissive	x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x 2.07 2.66	608 425 17	5.44 4.16 359 131 9 3.10 2.25		
T Y P E	Leading E/P	462 340 14	x x x x x x x x x x x x	1170 622		
O F	Lagging E/P			x x x x x x x x x x x x		
P H A S I N	Leading Exclusive		0.93 3.11 144 70 3	220 67	x x x x x x x x x x x x	1.46 1.91 346 144 10
G	Lagging Exclusive					x x x x x x x x x x x x
KEY						X X
A C	B D E		B = C = D =	Before left turn acc After left turn acc Total number of r Total number of r Number of interse	ident rate nonths of before d nonths of after dat	

Left Turn Accident Rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (Manner of Collision) and the associated left turn volume. The rate is in terms of accidents per million left turning vehicles. Each sample represents a single approach at an intersection.

TABLE 10

BEFORE AND AFTER LEFT TURN ACCIDENT RATES FOR APPROACHES CONVERTED FROM ONE TYPE OF PHASING TO ANOTHER - 3 OPPOSING LANES

O F

P H A S I N G

TYPE

FTER

		Permissive	Leading E/P	Lagging E/P	Leading Exclusive	Lagging Exclusive
B E F O	Permissive	x x x x x x x x	4.64 5.55		18.96 0.36	
R E		x x x x 2.25 5.85	144 77	194 59 8 4.54 2.74	87 67	
T Y	Leading E/P		x x x x x x x x		7.08 0.75	
P E		82 73	x x x		12 68	
O F	Lagging E/P			X X X X X X X X X X X X X		
P H A S	Leading Exclusive		1.40 4.72	2.13 1.03	x x x x x x x x x x x	0.35 0.35
I N G			998 594 22	329 84	x x x	390 114 12 x x
	Lagging Exclusive					x x x x x x x x x x x x
KEY					<u>L.</u>	x x

A B C D E

A = Before left turn accident rate

B = After left turn accident rate

C = Total number of months of before data

D = Total number of months of after data

E = Number of intersection approaches

Left Turn Accident Rate is based upon the number of left turn accidents (Manner of Collision) and the associated left turn volume. The rate is in terms of accidents per million left turning vehicles. Each sample represents a single approach at an intersection.

Each before case or after case has at least five and one-half approach years of data on which the statistics are based.

The following conversions resulted in decreases in the left turn accident rate.

From permissive to leading exclusive/permissive

From permissive to lagging exclusive/permissive

From leading exclusive/permissive to lagging exclusive/permissive

The following conversions resulted in increases in the left turn accident rate.

From leading exclusive/permissive to permissive

From leading exclusive to leading exclusive/permissive

From leading exclusive to lagging exclusive/permissive

From leading exclusive to lagging exclusive

The statistics for conversions: from permissive to leading exclusive/permissive; and from leading exclusive/permissive to permissive reinforce each other. Both suggest that leading exclusive/permissive is safer than permissive.

The following observations and conclusions can be made for the conversions made at approaches having three opposing lanes of traffic.

Each before case or after case has at least five approach years of data on which the statistics are based.

The following conversions resulted in decreases in the left turn accident rate.

From permissive to lagging exclusive/permissive

From permissive to leading exclusive

From leading exclusive/permissive to lagging exclusive/permissive

From leading exclusive/permissive to leading exclusive

From leading exclusive to lagging exclusive/permissive

The following conversions resulted in increases in the left turn accident rate.

From permissive to leading exclusive/permissive

From leading exclusive/permissive to permissive

From leading exclusive to leading exclusive/permissive

The statistics for conversions: from permissive to leading exclusive/permissive; and from leading exclusive/permissive to permissive contradict each other. The former suggests that permissive phasing is safer. The latter suggests that exclusive/permissive phasing is safer. It is possible that conditions at these two sets of intersections are different (traffic volumes, for example) and that these differences may account for the contradiction.

The statistics for conversions: from leading exclusive to leading exclusive/permissive; and from leading exclusive/permissive to leading exclusive reinforce each other. Both suggest that leading exclusive is safer than leading exclusive/permissive.

It is possible to compare the cases with two opposing lanes of traffic to those with three opposing lanes of traffic. In most cases the trends are the same. For example, a conversion from leading exclusive/permissive to permissive will result in an increased accident rate for approaches with two opposing lanes of traffic and for approaches with three opposing lanes of traffic.

There are two cases, however, where the trends are opposite. For two opposing lanes of traffic a conversion from permissive to leading exclusive/permissive results in a decrease in accident rate. The opposite is true for three opposing lanes. This finding, for three opposing lanes, supports the view of some traffic engineers who are reluctant to use exclusive/permissive phasing when there are three opposing lanes. They are reluctant to do so because a larger gap is required; it is more difficult for the driver to judge an acceptable gap; and there is a greater chance that an oncoming vehicle in one lane will be masked out by a vehicle in another lane.

The other case in which trends are opposite is conversions from leading exclusive to lagging exclusive/permissive. For two opposing lanes this results in an increase in accidents. For three opposing lanes it results in a decrease. The data alone do not suggest an explanation for these opposite trends. An analysis of the number of turns during the permissive period may provide an explanation. It may be that with three lanes, fewer drivers are willing to take a chance and turn during the permissive portion of the phase.

SELECTION OF RECOMMENDED DESIGN

Four candidate designs were described early in this chapter. They are:

Simple comparison of accident rates

Simple before/after design

Before/after design with randomized control group

Evaluation of multiple treatments.

As stated earlier in this chapter, the research team concluded that an evaluation of multiple treatments is not feasible at this time. Of the three remaining candidate designs, the research team initially recommended that the before/after design with randomized control group be the recommended design. This decision was based primarily on the requirement in the contract that a "statistically valid" study design be developed. In the opinion of the research team, this approach presented the strongest design to meet that objective.

Upon review, the Arizona Department of Transportation concluded that the number of intersections required to conduct a before/after design with randomized control group was impractically large. ADOT then directed that both the simple comparison approach and the simple before/after design approach (for intersections which have been or will be converted) be used in the future research project. The choice of these approaches represents a compromise between designing an approach that is as statistically rigorous as possible and an approach which is practical to execute.

The intent of the current research project was to recommend a design for comparing the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing. The intent was to recommend a design which would be used in the future research project which was being designed in the current effort. Based upon our review of the safety evaluation designs which could be used, and the results of the accident statistics compiled in the current effort, the study team recommends that a future safety evaluation not be conducted. Rather, the study team recommends that the accident statistics compiled in the current effort be used in developing the warrant or guideline for selecting the type of left turn phasing. In the opinion of the study team, a future safety evaluation would require a

significant amount of resources and would likely result in little or no improvement over the accident statistics that were compiled under the current effort. The following paragraphs spell out a justification for this recommendation.

Simple Comparison Design

It is worthwhile to review some of the major findings from the accident statistics compiled from historical information.

523 intersection approaches were used.

The gross statistics, presented in Table 6, show that:

the sample size is adequate (except for lagging exclusive phasing);

there are distinct differences in accident rate for different types of left turn phasing;

there are distinct differences in accident rate for 2 opposing lanes compared to 3 opposing lanes.

The statistics stratified by volume, show that:

there are distinct differences depending upon the magnitude of the left turn volume;

there are distinct differences depending upon the magnitude of the opposing volume.

It is clear that volume has a significant impact on accident rate.

The perfect approach for using the simple comparison design would consist of the following steps.

Begin with the universe of all signalized intersection approaches in Arizona.

Eliminate those approaches that did not have a separate left turn lane and those that had only one or more than three opposing lanes of traffic.

Partition the remaining intersection approaches into ten groups based upon the five types of left turn phasing and whether an approach had 2 or 3 opposing lanes.

Subdivide each group into volume ranges for left turn volume and for opposing volume.

For each subgroup, randomly select N approaches to be evaluated (N being large enough to provide statistically valid results).

Collect data, compute accident rates for each subgroup, and compare different types of left turn phasing.

Unfortunately, it would not be feasible to conduct the perfect approach described above. The biggest hurdle is that the databases compiled in this project include only less than one-forth of all signalized intersections in the state. And, even among those, complete information is not available on the intersection geometry, phasing, and volume for many of the [ADOT] intersections. Thus, it would be possible to achieve a random sample of intersections only if substantial additional effort was devoted to collecting geometry, volume and phasing information for over three-fourths of Arizona's signalized intersections.

The alternative to the above perfect approach would be to use the intersections in the databases for which we have the appropriate geometry, volume and phasing data. These intersections, or a subset thereof, could be selected and additional data could be collected to improve the accident statistics that have already been developed. Improvements in the statistics could result from:

confirmation, or lack thereof, from field visits that current geometry and phasing are what we believe them to be;

collection of new turning movement count data (several hours of counts at each location) which would provide a more reliable count for computing accident rate.

These represent the potential gains.

There are disadvantages to going out and collecting additional data.

The statistics we now have are based on the equivalent of over 130 intersections. Data would need to be collected at a comparable number of intersections to be able to subdivide intersections into groups based upon types of phasing, number of opposing lanes, and stratifications by volume. There is obviously significant cost and effort associated with the data collection for a large number of intersections. It is estimated that the site visits, turning movement counts, and computation of accident rates would cost about \$50,000.

It would take time to acquire these improved results (one to two years if contracting is done through a request for proposals process).

The statistics would still be based on a nonrandom sample.

If, as an alternative to collecting data at a large number of intersections, data is collected at a smaller number of intersections, then there would not be as much confidence in the calculated means for the accident rates.

In comparing the potential gains with the disadvantages, it must be asked if the potential gains are achieved at a reasonable cost. In the opinion of the research team, they are not.

Simple Before/After Design

Accident statistics, based on historical information on conversions, were based upon 194 intersection approaches that were converted. These statistics provided a before and after comparison of accident rates at converted locations.

Like the simple comparison design, these accident statistics could be improved upon. The advantages would include:

confirmation, or lack thereof, from field visits to these 194 locations, that current geometry and phasing are what we believe them to be;

collection of new turning movement count data (several hours of counts at each location) which would provide a more reliable count for computing accident rate;

the addition of 99 intersection approaches which are planned to be changed by March, 1991.

Again, there are disadvantages associated with the additional data collection. They include the cost of data collection and the time required. In the opinion of the research team, the potential improvements in the statistics would not be achieved at a reasonable cost.

It is for these reasons that the study team recommends that a future safety evaluation not be conducted. Rather, the study team recommends that the accident statistics compiled in the current effort be used in developing the warrant or guideline for selecting the type of left turn phasing. The work plan presented in Chapter 7 will reflect this recommendation.

CHAPTER 4 - VALIDATION TESTING OF THE TEXAS MODEL

One of the tasks of this project (Task 3) was to determine an analytical process for evaluating intersection operations. Chapter 5 will describe, in further detail, various approaches that were considered for evaluating intersection operations. One of these approaches was to use an intersection simulation model to evaluate differences in intersection operations associated with different types of phasing. The research team felt that this approach had a good chance of success and that the TEXAS simulation model was a good candidate.

An important prerequisite to use of a model for this application is to validate and/or calibrate the model to assure that it reflects real world operation and to promote confidence in its performance. For this reason, the TEXAS model was subjected to validation testing in this project. This chapter summarizes the results of the validation testing (details of the validation testing are presented in Appendix D). The results of this analysis will provide a natural lead-in to Chapter 5 which will discuss other approaches that were considered for evaluating intersection operations.

Validation testing was very extensive and documentation of that testing and the results are quite lengthy. Due to its length, the documentation is presented separately in Appendix D.

The evaluation showed mixed results. In most cases, the TEXAS model badly overestimated left turn delay for all three types of left turn phasing tested (permissive, leading exclusive, leading exclusive/permissive). For through traffic the TEXAS model provided good estimates of through delay overall. The model tended to overestimate delay when average delay per vehicle was low and tended to underestimate delay when average delay per vehicle was high. The principal shortcoming is that the TEXAS model does not replicate real world behavior of left turning vehicles at signalized intersections. For this reason, the TEXAS model, in its current form, can not be used to evaluate differences in intersection operations due to differences in left turn phasing. Therefore, some other approach must be used to evaluate differences in operating characteristics. As noted in the section on "Recommendations for Further Study," the study team

recommends that a similar validation be conducted for the NETSIM model to see if it can be used to evaluate differences in operation.

Task 10 of this project was to present a workshop on the TEXAS model including its design, its capabilities, and how it can be used. Due to the findings of the validation study, it became inappropriate to present a workshop on the TEXAS model.

CHAPTER 5 - APPROACHES FOR EVALUATING THE OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF LEFT TURN PHASING.

INTRODUCTION

The objective of evaluating operating characteristics is to quantify the differences in operating characteristics for the three different types of left turn phasing and for leading versus lagging operation. Differences in operating characteristics can be measured in a variety of ways. One way would be to measure differences in vehicle delay when different types of left turn phasing are used. The ultimate goal is to combine information on relative safety (see Chapter 3) and operating characteristics to develop warrants or other means of deciding when different types of left turn phasing should be used.

As noted above, operating characteristics can be measured in a number of ways, using a variety of measures of effectiveness. Among the possibilities are:

delay to all vehicles approaching the intersection delay to through and right turning vehicles

delay to left turning vehicles

average or maximum queue length

the number of stops per vehicle

vehicle operating cost

fuel consumption

vehicle emissions

Measures such as delay, queue length, and number of stops per vehicle can be measured directly in the field. Measures such as vehicle operating cost, fuel consumption, and vehicle emissions cannot be measured directly in the field and must be computed based on factors which are directly measured such as delay. Any of the measures of effectiveness listed above could be used for a warrant or other means of deciding when different types of left turn phasing should be used. A warrant, then, would be based upon "optimizing" intersection operation in terms of some combination of the operating measures of effectiveness listed above and relative safety.

There are two significant challenges to the development of warrants for left turn phasing. The first is to set up the research design so that the results confidently show that operational (and safety) differences are primarily or solely due to differences in left turn phasing and not due to other extraneous factors. Observed differences in delay, for example, must be the result of differences in left turn phasing and not due to differences in cycle length, signal timing, or progression patterns. The second challenge is to develop a warrant which is simple enough that it can be easily used by the traffic engineer. This is a major challenge because there are several factors which significantly affect intersection operation and which influence the operational efficiency of left turn phasing. The number of opposing lanes, approach speed, left turn volume, opposing volume, cycle length, g/c ratios, phasing patterns, progression, arrival patterns and other factors all have an influence. The number of possible combinations of these factors is clearly quite large. The challenge is to develop a warrant or guidelines which can consider these factors, not be cumbersome to use, and yet still identify the "best" type of left turn phasing for a large variety of situations.

BASIC INTERSECTION CHARACTERISTICS TO BE CONSIDERED

Table 11 presents an extensive list of intersection characteristics that can influence intersection operation. Obviously, some of these characteristics have a major influence while others have a minor influence or none at all. The following paragraphs recommend which of the characteristics should be considered in developing warrants or guidelines.

The research team recommends that the future research project develop warrants or guidelines which will encompass the following types of left turn phasing.

- a. permissive
- b. leading exclusive
- c. lagging exclusive
- d. leading exclusive/permissive
- e. lagging exclusive/permissive
- f. left turn denial

TABLE 11

BASIC INTERSECTION CHARACTERISTICS

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Type of left-turn phasing
       permissive
       leading exclusive
       lagging exclusive
       leading exclusive/permissive
       left turn denial
Number of opposing lanes
Presence or absence of a separate left turn lane
Volume
       left turn volume
       volume of opposing traffic
Approach speed
Progression or lack of progression; arrival patterns
Signal timing and phasing
        cycle length
        g/c ratio
        type of phasing arrangement
        type of controller
Sight distance
Number of approaches
Crossing angle
Lane width
Length of left turn lane
Approach grade
Location and arrangement of signal heads (signal display)
Other traffic control devices
Detector placement for left turn lane
Pedestrian activity, pedestrian actuation
Land Use
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* Denotes those characteristics which should be considered in developing warrants or guidelines.

The guidelines should cover intersections with two and three through (opposing) lanes. Signalized intersections with only one through lane are relatively rare in Arizona. Where they do occur, traffic volumes are low enough and left turn volumes are low enough that there is usually no need for separate left turn phasing. Where volumes are higher, this will often result in an intersection widening, thus creating two or three opposing lanes.

The guidelines should cover only those intersections/approaches with a separate left turn lane. Arizona's relatively new street network is characterized by wide rights-of-way. Seldom is there not adequate street width or right of way to provide a separate left turn lane. This provision would greatly simplify the warrant.

The complete range of volumes (both left turn and through) which exist at signalized intersections should be covered.

Approach speed has been shown to have an influence on the relative safety of different types of left turn phasing. Similarly, it has an impact on intersection operation. Approach speed should be considered.

Stonex's study (17) at 44th Street and Thomas Road in Phoenix showed that arrival patterns had a major influence on the differences in intersection operation between permissive and exclusive/permissive left turn phasing. If possible, warrants or guidelines should consider progression and arrival patterns.

Signal timing and phasing have a strong influence on intersection operation and delay. Cycle length; g/c ratios; lost time; and the use of split, dual, and other phasing arrangements all have an impact. The optimum cycle length for a two-phase operation (permissive left turns), a four phase operation (exclusive left turns), and an eight phase operation (also exclusive) will each be different. The type of controller - fixed-time, semi-actuated, or actuated - also influences operation. Each of these factors is significant. If possible, they should be considered in developing warrants or guidelines.

Sight distance available to left turning vehicles should be considered in developing warrants or guidelines. The guidelines should allow for exclusive left turn phasing if the sight distance available for left turning vehicles is inadequate.

The characteristics described above are those which the research team recommends be considered in developing warrants or guidelines. While the remaining characteristics listed in Table 11 may have some impact, the research team believes that the impact is relatively small. In the interest of keeping a warrant fairly simple and easy to apply these characteristics should not be included.

ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES FOR EVALUATING OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

The research team has identified four alternative approaches for evaluating operating characteristics under each of the types of left turn phasing. Each approach has advantages and disadvantages. This section of Chapter 5 describes each of the four approaches.

Matched Pairs of Intersections

This approach was used by Matthias and Upchurch (15) to compare different types of left turn phasing in 1984. Using this approach an attempt is made to identify pairs (or triplets) of intersections which have different types of left turn phasing but which are otherwise identical in their characteristics. The approach was successfully used by Matthias and Upchurch in identifying some basic or gross differences between different types of left turn phasing. While it is fairly easy to match intersections in terms of number of opposing lanes, presence of a separate left turn lane, and approach speed, it is difficult to impossible to match intersections in terms of volume, arrival patterns, and the basic aspects of signal timing. For example, it is difficult to find existing permissive left turn intersections which have traffic volumes (left turn and through) as high as those at exclusive left turn intersections. Volume, arrival patterns, and signal timing all have an important influence on intersection operation. Thus, if these are not matched, it is difficult to conclude that differences in intersection operation are solely due to differences in left turn phasing.

It is difficult to impossible to statistically validate or prove what part of the differences in intersection operation are due to differences in left turn phasing.

An advantage of using matched pairs of intersections is a higher probability of locating study sites than a before and after type of study. In a before and after type of study, intersections must be found that jurisdictions have converted or are willing to convert from one type of left turn phasing to another.

Before/After Approach

A before/after type of study is able to overcome some of the disadvantages of a matched pair type of study. With this approach there is the potential ability to keep nearly all other intersection characteristics the same while changing the type of left turn phasing. This approach was used by Stonex (17) at 44th Street and Thomas Road in Phoenix.

With this approach some factors may be beyond the control of the researcher. Traffic volumes may change between the before and after period. Stonex, for example, found a statistically significant increase in left turn volume (left turns became easier to perform). Cycle length, g/c ratios, and arrival patterns may change unless the research team is able to exercise control over these. In the Stonex study each of these did change. The change in arrival pattern (due to the fact progression existed in the before phase but not the after phase) had a major impact on intersection delay.

A disadvantage of this approach is that a jurisdiction must be willing to convert an intersection from one type of left turn phasing to another. If jurisdictions are not willing to make conversions then no study can be done. Beyond this, those intersections which jurisdictions are willing to convert are likely to be those that have good "potential" for successful conversion. Jurisdictions are not likely to convert intersections that have poor "potential" for successful conversion. Thus, data would not be collected from those intersections which were judged to be poor candidates when, in fact, they might benefit from conversion.

A further disadvantage is that it is unlikely that a site would be found where all three types of phasing (permissive, exclusive/permissive, and exclusive) could be tested. Jurisdictions would

probably be reluctant to make multiple changes in a short period of time due to the risk of driver confusion.

For both a before and after study and the matched pairs approach it may not be possible to find enough intersections, with the desired characteristics, for conversion. It would be desirable, in a research study, to be able to evaluate a range of intersection characteristics as noted in Table 11. It may not be possible to locate enough intersections to be able to evaluate a varying number of approach lanes, varying approach speeds, different arrival patterns, and differences in signal timing and phasing.

Data Collection Methods for the Matched Pair and Before/After Approaches

Data could be collected manually in the field or a permanent record of intersection operation could be recorded using time-lapse photography. Manual data collection could consist of a standard delay study based on counts of the number of stopped vehicles at prescribed intervals. Queue lengths would also be observed as part of this method. The manual data collection method is labor intensive and does not provide a permanent record which can be reviewed from time to time.

Time-lapse photography provides a permanent record and also allows additional data to be easily acquired such as the number of vehicles stopped or the number of vehicles not stopping. Capturing data from the film is labor intensive but the approach is probably more accurate.

Both data collection methods allow delay and queue length information to be acquired directly. Time lapse photography allows the number of vehicles stopped or not stopping to be acquired as well as the number of stops per vehicle. Other measures of effectiveness of intersection operation can be computed based upon delay data. Fuel consumption, vehicle emissions, and vehicle operating cost can be estimated in this way.

Computer Simulation

Computer simulation can overcome the disadvantages of the matched pair and before and after approaches. Using computer simulation the researcher has the ability to keep all other intersection characteristics constant while evaluating the differences in intersection operation due to

different types of left turn phasing. Intersection geometry, traffic volume, approach speed, and arrival patterns can remain the same while the type of phasing is changed. Signal timing can remain the same except for those aspects which must change in order to implement a type of phasing. As an alternative, signal timing parameters can change to provide the optimum timing for each type of left turn phasing (the optimum cycle length might be longer for exclusive phasing than for permissive, for example). The researcher is not hampered by a lack of intersections or the reluctance of jurisdictions to convert intersections.

A further advantage of computer simulation is that a wide range of through and left turn volumes can be evaluated. A wider range of volumes, and a wider range of combinations of left turn and through volumes, than might be found at a single intersection in the field can be simulated. Finally, data collection is much easier and less expensive. Basic M.O.E.s such as delay, queue length, number of stops per vehicle, fuel consumption and emissions can all be generated directly by simulation programs.

A disadvantage of computer simulation is the lack of confidence, on the part of some practitioners, in the ability of simulation models to accurately represent real-world operation. Model validation can overcome this lack of confidence.

There are two simulation models which have the ability to model signalized intersections, the TEXAS model and NETSIM. Both are microscopic simulation models which have the ability to simulate permissive, exclusive, and exclusive/permissive left turn phasing. As noted in Chapter 4 and Appendix D, the TEXAS model was extensively tested in this research project to determine its suitability for this application. Although the TEXAS model was not found to be suitable, the research team believes that NETSIM can be validated. Although NETSIM has not been used for this application before, the research team believes that it would also be suitable.

Of the three approaches described thus far - matched pairs, before and after, and computer simulation - the research team believes that computer simulation is the best approach. It offers significant practical advantages over the methods that employ field data collection. In addition, the statistical validity of the results is easier to demonstrate with computer simulation. With

simulation, long simulation runs and/or multiple simulation runs can be used to overcome short term variances in output statistics. With field data collection the number of samples, and hence, data collection costs, must be increased to produce statistically valid results. If employed, the operational characteristics generated by simulation can in turn be used to establish warrants or guidelines.

A "matched pairs" approach, a "before/after" approach and computer simulation each have the potential to evaluate the operating characteristics of various types of left turn phasing. However, with each of these it is virtually impossible to satisfy one of the challenges described in the introduction of this chapter. That challenge is to develop a warrant which is simple and easy to use while still considering those *several* factors that significantly affect intersection operation. The number of possible combinations of opposing lanes, approach speed, left turn volume, opposing volume, cycle length, g/c ratio, phasing patterns, progression, and arrival patterns makes it quite difficult to develop tables, figures, nomographs and other ways to easily select the "best" type of left turn phasing for a large variety of situations. For that reason a fourth approach for evaluating operating characteristics and selecting the "best" type of left turn phasing has been developed. It is described in the following section.

Simulate Individual Intersections

The basic concept behind any traditional warrant is that it allows the traffic engineer to predict, based on an easily used tool (the warrant), what type of control will result in the "best" operation. Thus, if a traffic signal volume warrant is applied and the volumes satisfy the warrant, this is a predictor that the intersection will operate better with signal control than it would with sign control. For left turn signal phasing we wish to develop an analogous tool which can be used to predict which type of left turn phasing will work "best." Or, as stated at the beginning of this chapter, "The ultimate goal is to ... develop warrants or other means of deciding when different types of left turn phasing should be used."

The approach of simulating individual intersections does not lead to development of a warrant. It does, however, provide *other means* of deciding which type of left turn phasing should

be used at a particular intersection. The approach described below is possible because of two factors that did not exist when our more traditional traffic control warrants were developed.

- 1. Most traffic engineering agencies and personnel now have microcomputer capability.
- An intersection simulation model which can simulate left turn phasing is now available.

The suggested approach is to provide the traffic engineer with the capability to simulate intersection operation using different types of left turn phasing. Intersection geometry, traffic volumes, and signal timing parameters would all be selected by the traffic engineer. The traffic engineer could then compare output statistics and measures of effectiveness to select the best type of left turn phasing.

It is the recommendation of the research team that this approach be used. First, the NETSIM model must be validated to confirm that it does replicate intersection operation for different types of left turn phasing. Then, the future research project would take the microcomputer version of NETSIM and "package" it so that traffic engineers could easily use it to evaluate different left turn options. Documentation and instructions would be prepared. An explanation of how to interpret the output and how to use the output to select the appropriate type of left turn phasing would be included. Chapter 7 - "Proposed Work Plan" - presents more detail on what would be developed in the future research project.

CHAPTER - 6 - CRITERIA AND APPROACH TO BE USED IN SELECTING THE "BEST" TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING.

Chapters 3 and 5 presented recommended approaches for evaluating the relative safety and the operating characteristics of different types of left turn phasing. As stated in the preceding chapter, "The ultimate goal is to combine information on relative safety and operating characteristics to develop warrants or other means of deciding when different types of left turn phasing should be used." Once the relative safety and the operating characteristics have been quantified then some criteria for "optimizing" intersection operation are needed. Which measures of effectiveness are important and should be used? What is an appropriate trade-off between safety and operational factors?

It is recommended that criteria be developed which are as comprehensive as possible and which incorporate as many of the measures of effectiveness of intersection operation as is practical. An approach which has been used previously by one member of the research team is to quantify as many operational factors as possible in terms of dollar cost. Delay for example, is translated into a dollar cost based upon the value of the road user's time. Fuel consumption, as another example, is translated into a dollar cost based upon the price of fuel. The principal advantage of this approach is that a wide variety of different operational factors can be compared on a common basis. This makes it easier to do an overall comparison of the various impacts of different types of left turn phasing.

The following costs are recommended for inclusion.

1. & 2. Vehicle Operating Costs.

(Vehicle Operating Cost is comprised of one major component, fuel consumption, and several other factors including oil consumption, tire wear, maintenance, and depreciation. For convenience, Vehicle Operating Cost is described by two components, Fuel Costs and Other Vehicle Operating Cost.)

- 3. Delay Costs (value of road user's time)
- 4. Air Pollution Costs

Accident Costs could also be included in the above list. However, the research team does not recommend that it be included. There is a reluctance in the highway community to put a price on an accident, injury, or fatality. We believe that the traffic engineer should be given information on the relative costs and expected safety performance of different types of left turn phasing and then be allowed to make a judgement on the tradeoffs, if any, involved.

Each of the costs listed above can be calculated using output statistics from NETSIM. As will be indicated in the Work Plan, software should be developed to automatically determine these costs using NETSIM output statistics.

In addition to dollar cost and safety performance, one other factor should be considered in selection of the type of left turn phasing. That factor is whether or not any intolerable operating conditions would exist with any of the types of left turn phasing. Four examples of intolerable conditions are:

- 1. \geq 35 seconds of average left-turn delay
- 2. \geq 73 seconds of ninety-percentile left-turn delay
- 3. five percent of left turners being delayed more than two cycles.
- 4. four left turners in one hour being delayed more than two cycles.

These represent conditions that would be unacceptable to the motorist. These four conditions were used in developing the "Guidelines for use of Left-Turn Lanes and Signal Phases" (11)...

In summary, the approach to be used in selecting the "best" type of left turn phasing for a particular intersection would be as follows.

- NETSIM would be used to generate information on intersection operation and costs (fuel consumption cost, other vehicle operating cost, delay cost, and air pollution cost) for each type of left turn phasing.
- Expected safety performance would be calculated for each type of left turn phasing.
- Any type of left turn phasing resulting in intolerable conditions would be eliminated from consideration.
- ° The traffic engineer would review the relative costs and safety performance of the remaining types of left turn phasing and select one for implementation.

CHAPTER 7 - WORK PLAN

This chapter presents a proposed work plan for the future research project as well as an estimated cost for conducting the work. The work plan is designed to meet the goal of developing a warrant or guideline for use of left turn phasing. The work plan is presented in a format and in a level of detail suitable for inclusion in a request for proposals.

WORK PLAN

Note: The work plan presented below is based upon the assumption that NETSIM will be validated and that it will be found suitable for use before the work plan is initiated.

- Task 1. Take accident statistics presented in this report and put them in a form that can be easily used by the traffic engineer to compare relative safety of different types of left turn phasing. This might, for example, be a simple formula for predicting the annual number of left turn accidents based upon a 24-hour left turn volume. As an alternative, it might be a simple formula based upon both the 24-hour left turn volume and the 24-hour opposing volume.
- Task 2. Modify the microcomputer version of NETSIM or design a post-processor so that it will generate output statistics on: 1) vehicle operating costs; 2) fuel costs; 3) delay costs; and 4) air pollution costs. The new programming should provide user ability to select the unit costs (price/gallon for fuel, for example) for each item as well as have default values. The documentation should explain how the user can update unit costs as they change with time.
- Task 3. Prepare documentation and instructions for use of NETSIM to evaluate different types of left turn signal phasing at individual intersections. The documentation and instructions shall be prepared such that:
 - it is "packaged" in a way that traffic engineers can easily use it to evaluate
 different types of phasing (i.e., a "cookbook" of instructions);
 - b) various intersection characteristics can be considered;

- NETSIM will evaluate different types of left turn phasing in one run of the program;
- d) it explains how to interpret the output for making a choice in the type of left turn phasing.
- Task 4. Prepare guidelines on how to use the results of the safety evaluation in Task 1 and the NETSIM output in Task 3 to select the "best" type of left turn phasing. The guidelines shall be developed to rely primarily on: relative safety (Task 1); operating costs (Task 2); and identification of any signal operations that would result in intolerable conditions (such as unacceptable delay for left turning vehicles). To provide the traffic engineer with a basis for comparing accidents to operating costs, the guidelines shall present accepted values for the cost of an accident.
- Task 5. Field test the application of the new NETSIM package at a minimum of three intersections. If available, conduct before and after field tests at a minimum of three intersections which are being converted from one type of left turn phasing to another. Use NETSIM output statistics which can easily be collected in the field to demonstrate the model's ability or inability to show relative differences in operation for different types of left turn phasing. If only three intersections are used, at least 6 hours of field data should be collected at each site. A larger number of intersections would provide greater variety in types of left turn phasing. If ten intersections are identified, as few as two hours of field data could be collected at each.
- Task 6. Demonstrate use of: 1) the new NETSIM package, its documentation, its instructions (Task 3); and 2) the guidelines (Task 4) for a sample intersection.

ESTIMATED COST

The work plan does not require additional data collection for signalized intersections.

Estimated cost, broken down by task, is presented below.

Task 1	\$ 2,000
Task 2	15,000
Task 3	6,000
Task 4	4,000
Task 5	6,000
Task 6	2,000
TOTAL	\$35,000

The estimated time required to do tasks 1 through 6 is ten months.

CHAPTER 8 - RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY

Two recommendations are made for further study.

First, it is strongly recommended that a research effort be conducted to evaluate the NETSIM model to determine if it is a suitable candidate to serve the role originally intended for the TEXAS model. Validation testing should be conducted to determine if the NETSIM model can replicate traffic characteristics as they exist in the field, particularly for left turning vehicles under different types of left turn phasing. If NETSIM can successfully pass validation testing, then it can be used to evaluate the operational characteristics of different types of left turn phasing. Additional information on the role that NETSIM could play in developing left turn signal warrants is presented in Chapter 7.

Second, the future research project that was designed in this study must be undertaken so that warrants or guidelines for selecting the type of left turn phasing can be developed. The detailed recommendations on the scope of work are presented in Chapter 7.

APPENDIX A

GLOSSARY

Definition of types of Left Turn Signal Phasing

Permissive Left Turn -

Vehicles are allowed to make a left turn on a circular green indication after they yield to oncoming traffic (sometimes called a permitted left turn)

Exclusive Left Turn -

Vehicles are allowed to make a left turn only on a green arrow indication (sometimes called a protected left turn). The exclusive portion of the signal cycle (the green arrow) may either precede (lead) or follow (lag) the permissive (circular green) portion of the cycle.

Exclusive/Permissive Left Turn -

Vehicles are allowed to make a left turn either on a green arrow indication or on a circular green indication after yielding to oncoming traffic (sometimes called protected/permitted left turn). The exclusive portion of the signal cycle (the green arrow) may either precede (lead) or follow (lag) the permissive (circular green) portion of the cycle.

Split Phasing -

This is a specialized form of exclusive left turn phasing. With split phasing one approach of an intersection is directed to proceed, including left turn drivers on an exclusive left turn. When this approach is stopped the opposing approach is directed to proceed, including left turn drivers on an exclusive left turn.

APPENDIX B. SOURCES OF DATA AS PROVIDED BY ADOT

TABLE B-1 SOURCES OF DATA AS PROVIDED BY ADOT

Source number	Description
1.	Inventory of all Signalized Intersection Locations
2.	Signalized Intersection Accident Listing (A) 1982, 1983, 1984
3.	Signalized Intersection Accident Listing (B) 1982, 1983, 1984
4.	Non-Signalized Intersection Accident Listing (A) 1982, 1983, 1984
5.	Non-Signalized Intersection Accident Listing (B) 1982, 1983, 1984
6.	Accident Data Printout (run 12-04-86) for 01-01-83 to 12-31-85 (All intersections on the state highway system which had any accidents in this 3 year period.)
7.	Signals Inventory for 164 Intersections
8.	Signal ADOT Maintained
9.	Signalized Intersection Tabulation, Left Turn Phasing 22 Sept. 86, Intersections Without Left Turn Phasing
10.	Signalized Intersection Tabulation, Left Turn Phasing, Intersections with Left Turn Phasing.
11.	Traffic Accident Listing, All Accidents from 01/01/85 through 12/31/85 (run on 6/27/86)
12.	Signalized Intersection Inventory with code numbers 20 through 8000 (Traffic Signal Layout Diagrams)
13.	Statewide Speed Data (Printed dated 12/03/86)
14.	Turning Movement Volume Survey Summary Forms (various dates)
15.	Subdistrict Map (3 pages)
	Xerox copies of the first or cover sheet of each data item are included on the following pages.

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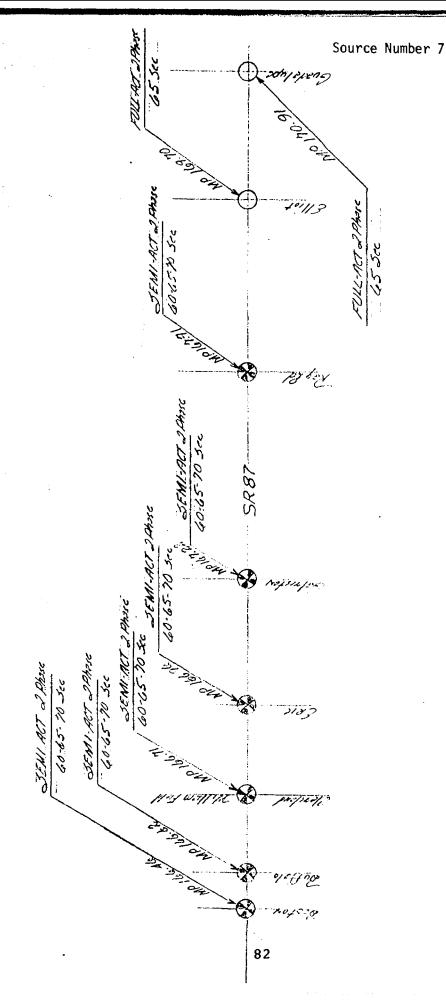
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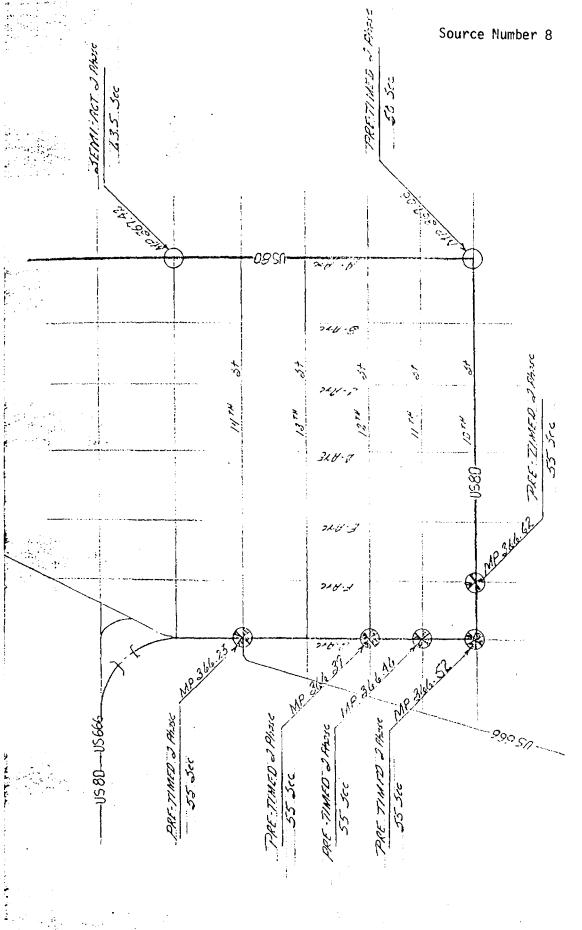
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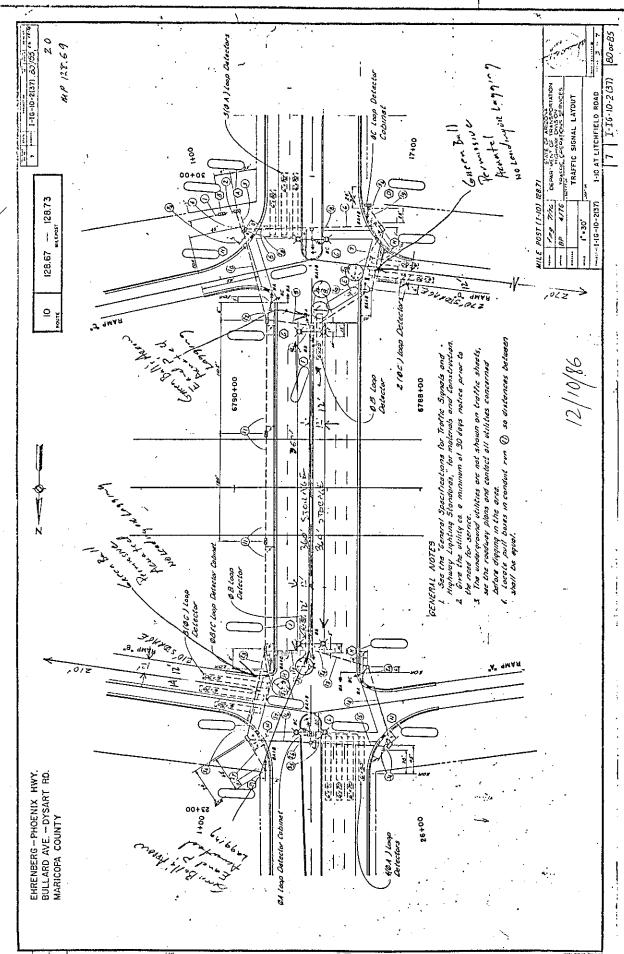
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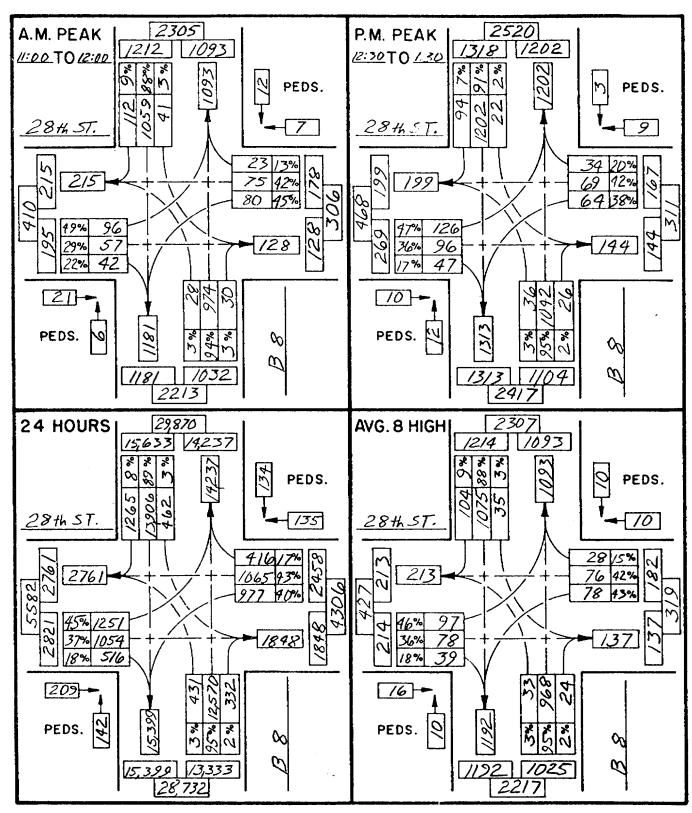
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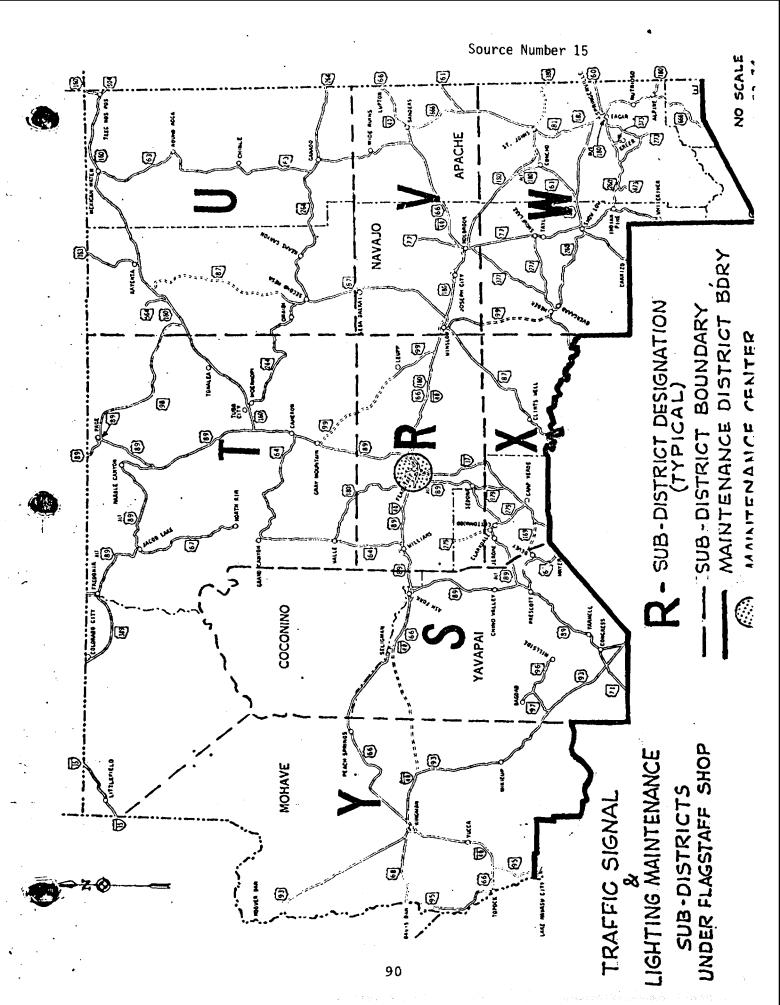
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APPENDIX C

SOLICITATION OF DATA FROM LOCAL JURISDICTIONS

Sample solicitation letter.

Attachment 1	was used to acquire information on signalized intersections where there
	had been not change in the type of left turn phasing
Attachment 2	was used to acquire information on signalized intersections where the
	type of left turn phasing was changed prior to April, 1988.
Attachment 3	was used to acquire information on signalized intersections where the
	type of left turn phasing was changed after March, 1988 or was
	planned to be changed by March 1991.

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April 21, 1989

Frank Papscun, P.E. Asst. Traffic Engineer Maricopa County Traffic Engineering Division 3325 West Durango Street Phoenix, AZ 85009

Dear Frank:

The topic of left turn signal phasing has been one of ongoing interest over several years in Arizona. Different jurisdictions have had different philosophies on which type of left turn signal phasing should be used. These differing philosophies have generated an interest in determining the actual operational and safety impacts of different types of left turn signal phasing.

The Arizona Department of Transportation has contracted with Arizona State University to objectively compare different types of left turn signal phasing, both in terms of operations (delay, etc.) and safety.

I seek your assistance in obtaining data to evaluate the relative safety of different types of left turn signal phasing. If you are able to assist ASU by providing information about selected intersections in your jurisdiction, I would be pleased to provide you with a copy of the study's results.

Through prior work in this study, data has been collected on phasing, geometry, traffic volumes and accidents for 495 signalized intersections on the state highway system. This database has given the project a start in determining the relative safety of different types of left turn signal phasing. Unfortunately, there are many gaps in the data and many types of information are lacking at a large number of intersections. As a result, the sample size for generating statistically sound accident rates is insufficient. This is particularly true for certain types of conditions such as an

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approach with exclusive/permissive left turn phasing and three opposing lanes of traffic. I seek your help in bolstering the database by providing information on signalized intersections in your jurisdiction.

For the safety analysis the project is interested in intersections that have any of the following types of left turn phasing:

permissive leading exclusive/permissive lagging exclusive/permissive leading exclusive lagging exclusive

The project is interested in intersections that have either two or three lanes of opposing traffic. (Lanes of opposing traffic are lanes on the opposite approach that handle through vehicles and/or right turning vehicles. A separate left turn lane on the opposite approach is not considered to be an opposing lane.) Because signalized intersections with one opposing lane for both through and right turning traffic are rare in Arizona, the project is not interested in this particular case. In addition, because exclusive left turn lanes are most commonly used in Arizona, the project is not interested in intersections that do not have exclusive left turn lanes.

The project is interested in obtaining information on as many intersections as possible. The project currently has information on a fairly large number of intersections with permissive phasing and two opposing lanes of traffic and intersections with leading exclusive and two opposing lanes of traffic. Thus, priorities are to obtain data for the other conditions.

There are three ways in which you can help:

1. General Case

Provide phasing, geometric and traffic volume information for signalized intersections in your jurisdiction that are not on a state highway system. Attachment 1 is a convenient form that can be used for providing this information. It is important to concentrate on intersections where all of the needed data or nearly all of the needed data are available. Intersections for which only part of the data can be provided have limited usefulness and are of much lesser priority. ASU

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will obtain accident data from the accident Location Identification and Surveillance System (ALISS); you do not need to provide accident information. Remember that the project needs intersections with:

- A) Two or three lanes of opposing traffic;
- B) Exclusive left turn lanes;
- C) Turning movement counts.

2. Conversions

The project is very much interested in intersections where the type of left turn phasing has been changed from one to another since 1980. Attachment 2 is a convenient form that can be used for providing the needed data. Again, it is important to concentrate on intersections where complete or near complete data are available. ASU will obtain accident information from AlLISS for those intersections that you submit.

3. Recent or Proposed Conversions

Provide information on intersections where the type of left turn phasing has been changed within the last 12 months or where the type of left turn phasing is planned or programmed to be changed within the next 24 months. Attachment 3 is a convenient form on which this information can be submitted.

I look forward to your help and cooperation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. So that timely progress can be made on this research effort, I would appreciate hearing from you by May 25. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jonathan Upchurch, P.E. Acting Director

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ATTACHMENT 1

1.	RECORD MUMBER (leave blank)
2.	NORTH-SOUTH STREET NAME
3.	EAST-WEST STREET NAME
4.	JURISDICTION
5.	TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING*
	NORTH LEG (FOR SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead Lag
	SOUTH LEG (FOR NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead Lag
	EAST LEG (FOR WESTBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead Lag
	WEST LEG (FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead Lag
	* Circle the appropriate description for each leg
	p # Permissive
	E/P = Exclusive/Permissive
	E = Exclusive
	PROHIB Prohibitted
	For Exclusive/Permissive, indicate if the left turn phase is leading (Lead) or lagging (Leg).
6.	DATE ON WHICH THE TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING WAS INSTALLED/CHANGED (If prior to 1983, enter "Pre-1983")
	HORTH LEG (FOR SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC)
	SOUTH LZG (FOR NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC)
	EAST LEG (FOR WESTBOUND TRAFFIC)
	WEST LEG (FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC)
7,	IS THERE AN EXCLUSIVE LEFT TURN LANE?
	NORTH LEG (FOR SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC) YES NO YOU MAY WANT TO DRAW A SIMPLE SKETCH OF THE INTERSECTION
	SOUTH LEG (FOR NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC) YES NO SHOWING EACH LANE AND THE MOVEMENTS PERMITTED FROM EACH
	EAST LEG (FOR WESTBOUND TRAFFIC) YES NO
	WEST LEG (FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC) YES NO
4.	TOTAL NUMBER OF THRU PLUS RIGHT TURN LANES (On not include exclusive left turn lane.)
	HORTH LEG (FOR SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC)
	SOUTH LEG (FOR NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC)
	EAST LEG (FOR WESTBOUND TRAFFIC)
	WEST LEG (FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC)

9. HAS THERE BEEN ANY CHANGE IN INTERSECTION GEOMETRY (ITEMS 7 AND 8 ABOVE) SINCE 1982?

YES NO

IF YES, WHAT WERE THE CHANGES AND WHEN WERE THEY MADE?

10. PROVIDE TURNING HOVEMENT COUNTS SHOWING THE 24 HOUR VOLUME FOR EACH TURNING HOVEMENT.

(It is understood that turning movement counts are very rarely made for a 24 hour period. Please estimate the 24 hour volume based upon actual counts made over a shorter time period.)

If more than one turning movement count has been made since 1982, please provide data for the additional counts.

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ATTACHMENT 2

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6. TYPE OF	LEFT TURN PHASING BEFORE CONVERSION"
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SOUTH LE	G (FOR MORTHBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead lag
EAST LEG	(FOR WESTBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead Lag
WEST LEG	(FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC) P E/P E Prohib. Lead Lag
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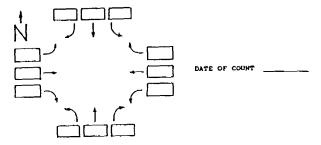
10. HAS THERE BEEN ANY CHANGE IN INTERSECTION GEOMETRY (ITEMS 8 AND 9 ABOVE) SINCE 1982?

YES NO

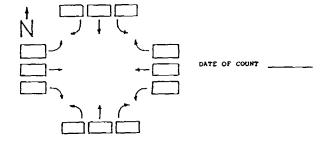
IF YES, WHAT WERE THE CHANGES AND WHEN WERE THEY MADE?

11. PROVIDE TURNING MOVEMENT COUNTS SHOWING THE 24 HOUR VOLUME FOR EACH TURNING MOVEMENT.

(It is understood that turning movement counts are very rerely made for a 24 hour period. Please estimate the 24 hour volume based upon actual counts made over a shorter time period.)



If more than one turning movement count has been made since 1982, please provide data for the additional counts. It would be particularly helpful to have turning movement counts made both before and after the conversion in the type of left turn phasing.



ATTACHMENT 3

INTERSECTIONS WHERE THE TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING HAS BEEN CHANGED SINCE MARCH, 1988 OR IS PLANNED TO BE CHANGED BY MARCH, 1991

JURISDICTION						
NORTH-SOUTH STREET NAME						
EAST-WEST STREET NAME						
CURRENT OR BEFORE TYPE OF LEFT TURN PHASING*						
NORTH LEG (FOR SOUTHB	OUND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
SOUTH LEG (FOR NORTHB	OUND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
EAST LEG (FOR WESTBOU	ND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
WEST LEG (FOR EASTBOU	ND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
FUTURE OR AFTER TYPE OF LEFT-TU	RN PHASING*					
NORTH LEG (FOR SOUTHB	OUND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
SOUTH LEG (FOR NORTHB	OUND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
EAST LEG (FOR WESTBOU	ND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
WEST LEG (FOR EASTBOU	ND TRAFFIC)	P	E/P	E	Lead	Lag
IF ALREADY CHANGED, THE DATE OF	CONVERSION _	 			-	
IF PLANNED, THE PROJECTED DATE OF CONVERSION					-	

- P Permissive
- E/P Exclusive/Permissive
- E Exclusive

For Exclusive/Permissive, indicate if the left turn phase is leading (Lead) or lagging (Lag).

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^{*} Circle the appropriate description

APPENDIX D VALIDATION TESTING OF THE TEXAS MODEL

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Traffic simulation models are computer programs that are designed to represent realistically the behavior of the physical system. The major advantage of using a simulation model is its ability to compare and evaluate among alternate solutions of a single problem by changing the variables in the model without physically going out to the field to make the change. This analysis tool is effective in comparing different scenarios before deciding on one to implement thus reducing costs that would otherwise be incurred if an unsuccessful scenario is implemented. Another advantage is that a simulation model can give results for variables that would otherwise be difficult to obtain from field measurements.

Painting a rosy picture about computer simulation could be deceiving. The user of computer simulation models has to be careful about how the model is being used and how much faith he or she has in the results. A well validated simulation model can be a powerful tool. Validation involves large scale field data collection for different settings followed by using the model to create the same circumstances in the computer. The produced results are then compared against the field data to decide whether the model realistically replicates the real world.

This task of the study focused on traffic operations at isolated signalized intersections. The intersection is one of the most important components of a traffic network in the urban area. One of the traffic simulation models developed for isolated intersections is the TEXAS (Traffic Experimental and Analytical Simulation) simulation model.

The main goal of this task was to utilize measure of effectiveness data from previous field studies and compare it with the measures of effectiveness predicted by the TEXAS simulation model. The main purpose of this exercise was to attempt to validate the simulation model and check its ability to replicate the real world. The field data used for the validation purpose was composed of three related studies. A major part of the data for this effort was taken from the research project "Left Turn Signal Warrants for Arizona" (15).

The remainder of the data was taken from two previous Master of Science theses which

were titled "Effects of Changing Permissive Left Turn Phasing to Exclusive/Permissive" (17) and "Effects of Changing Exclusive/Permissive Left Turn Phasing From Variable to Fixed Cycle Length" (20).

THE TEXAS SIMULATION MODEL

The TEXAS (Traffic EXperimental and Analytical Simulation) model is a microscopic simulation model. It was developed by the University of Texas at Austin for the Texas State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (6,7,8,9). In a microscopic model each vehicle in the traffic stream is monitored individually. The model can be used as a tool by transportation engineers to evaluate traffic performance at isolated intersections operating under various types of intersection control. It is mostly a deterministic model in the sense that none of the response decisions are made on a probability basis.

The model is divided into three main parts, a geometry processor called GEOPRO, a driver-vehicle processor called DVPRO, and a traffic simulation processor called SIMPRO. The geometry processor accepts data concerning the physical configuration of the intersection such as the number of legs and the number of lanes and their widths. The processor calculates the geometric path of vehicles on the approaches and within the intersection, identifies points of conflict between intersection paths, and determines the minimum available sight distance along each inbound approach.

The input requirements for this processor include approach information such as the number of inbound and outbound approaches, the speed limit for each approach, the number of lanes for each approach, and the maximum angular deviation of through movement and U-turn movement for each approach. Lane information, such as the width of each lane, the geometry of each lane, and the turning movements generated from each inbound lane and accepted by each outbound lane, is also required. The geometry of a lane just mentioned describes whether a lane is fully open or partly blocked which is important for the representation of conditions such as turning pocket lanes,

bus stops, construction barricades, or loading zones.

The driver-vehicle processor stores information related to the driver characteristics and the vehicle characteristics in the traffic stream. The processor generates driver-vehicle units for use by the traffic simulation processor. Each one of these units is randomly assigned a driver class, a vehicle class, a lane, a turning movement and a desired speed using a discrete empirical distribution. The total number of driver-vehicle units generated depends on the vehicular volume and on the simulation time. The processor then orders these units sequentially by queue-in time.

The input data required for this processor, for each intersection approach, includes the headway distribution and its parameter, the minimum headway, the hourly traffic volume, the mean and 85th percentile speed, the turning distribution (percent of vehicles going to each outbound approach), the lane occupancy, the time for generating traffic, and the number of driver and vehicle classes. The model has seven different types of headway distributions to choose from. They are the constant, the Erlang, the gamma, the lognormal, the negative exponential, the shifted negative exponential, and the uniform distributions. The time for generating traffic is made up of the start-up time plus the simulation time. In the start-up time period the flow through the system has not attained a steady state condition and so performance statistics are unreliable. After the specified start-up time, flow is assumed to have reached steady state and it is followed by the simulation time period. In this period, fluctuations in the system are minimized and performance statistics are reliable. Another input requirement for this processor is the percent of left turning vehicles to enter in the median lane and the percent of right turning vehicles to enter in the curb lane.

The traffic simulation processor uses the output from the previous two processors and processes each driver-vehicle unit through the intersection system. This processor simulates the traffic behavior of each driver-vehicle unit depending on its surrounding conditions. The driver-vehicle unit is monitored moment by moment from the time it enters an inbound approach until it leaves the system from an outbound approach. The processor adjusts the movement of the driver-

vehicle unit depending on various elements such as the indication of the traffic control device, the presence of a vehicle ahead and if the driver- vehicle unit is in a car-following situation.

The input data requirements for a simulation run are the type of intersection control, the start-up and simulation time, the time step increment for simulation, the maximum clear distance for being in a queue, the speed for "delay below XX miles per hour (mph)", the time for lead and lag safety zone for conflict checking, and the parameter values for the car following equation. The available intersection control options to choose from are traffic signals with pretimed, semi-actuated, or fully-actuated controllers, all-way stop sign, two- way stop sign, yield sign, and uncontrolled. A specified discrete time increment is used as the fixed time basis for scanning the intersection and updating each driver-vehicle unit. The model recommends the use of 0.5 seconds for the simulation of unsignalized intersections and 1.0 seconds for the simulation of signalized intersections.

Once SIMPRO has been successfully executed, the model can be prepared to display the simulation in graphics format. Two programs are utilized for this activity; DISPRE, which is a display preparation program; and DISPRO, which is the display processor where the animated graphics is shown.

After running DISPRE, the program DISPRO is executed. This displays the intersection layout on the screen and then simulates the position of the vehicles from the time they enter the system to the time they leave it. This information can be displayed in real-time or in a stop and go mode that is manually run. The graphic display is useful in detecting errors in the intersection geometry which may occur during the input of the offset of each leg centerline from the intersection center. It is also used to detect errors in the input of the phasing sequence for signalized intersections. The graphic display shows the signal indication for each approach, and by viewing the animation, the user is able to detect if the green interval sequence is correctly represented.

OBJECTIVE

The principal objective of this task was to validate the TEXAS simulation model using existing field data of isolated signalized intersections for comparison purposes. Validating the model is needed as a first step before it is used by traffic engineers and traffic departments as a design and decision making tool. Validation is needed to determine if the model behaves in a way similar to the real world when run under the same conditions as the field data.

The validation process was attempted by comparing the results of the measures of effectiveness obtained from the simulation runs with those obtained from field data. Statistical methods were used to test the significance between the simulation and field results.

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE INTERSECTIONS

Eight intersection conditions, each having available field data, were used in this study. Six intersections located in the Greater Phoenix area were used for the previous left turn warrants study (1). The intersections were:

- University and Alma School.
- Alma School and Broadway.
- Priest and Broadway.
- Thomas and 44th Street.
- Scottsdale and Thomas.
- Dobson and Main.

These were chosen because they represented a wide variety of intersection characteristics. The intersections cover a range of values for the geometry such as the number of opposing lanes, the type of left turn phasing, left turn volume, and the volume of opposing traffic. Table D-1 documents selected data items for the six intersections. The near side approach means the intersection approach at which the time lapse camera was placed.

Subsequent to the left turn warrants study (15), the intersection of Thomas and 44th Street

TABLE D-1: INTERSECTION DATA USED IN THE STUDY

Intersection Name	Major Street Near Side Approach			Major Street Far Side Approach			Control	Left	No. of	Major Street
intersection rvaine	No of Inbound Lanes	No. of Outbound Lanes	Left Turn Pocket Lane	No of Inbound Lanes	No. of Outbound Lanes	Left Turn Pocket Lane	Туре	Turn Control	Phases	ADT (1984)
UNIVERSITY AND ALMA SCHOOL	3	2	YES	3	2	YES	PRETIMED	PERMISSIVE	2	26860
ALMA SCHOOL AND BROADWAY	3	2	YES	3	2	YES	ACTUATED	EXCLUSIVE/ PERMISSIVE	8	27210
BROADWAY AND PRIEST	4	2	YES	3	2	YES	ACTUATED	EXCLUSIVE	8	35400
44TH STREET AND THOMAS	4	3	YES	4	3	YES	PRETIMED	PERMISSIVE	2	43500
THOMAS AND SCOTTSDALE	3	3	YES	4	2	YES	ACTUATED	EXCLUSIVE/ PERMISSIVE	8	27860
Main and Dobson	4	3	YES	4	3	YES	ACTUATED	EXCLUSIVE	8	23100

was operated under two other different scenarios. The original scenario had a pretimed signal with permissive left turn phasing. The second scenario involved changing the left turn phasing from permissive to exclusive/permissive (see Stonex (17)). The signal was also changed to a fully-actuated signal but with a variable cycle length which disrupted the vehicular progression. The third scenario had a phasing similar to the previous scenario but with a fixed cycle length which helped vehicular progression (see Warne (20)).

Therefore a total of eight different intersection conditions were available for use in this research. Two of the conditions address permissive left turn phasing, two address leading exclusive left turn phasing, and the remaining four conditions address leading exclusive/permissive left turn phasing.

Out of the six different intersections being studied, three intersections have two opposing lanes which the left turning vehicles have to cross, while the other three intersections have three opposing lanes to be crossed. This variety was intentional in the selection of the intersections because previous studies have shown that drivers making a left turn have greater difficulty in identifying acceptable gaps when there are three lanes of opposing traffic than when there are only two opposing lanes(15). This wide range of intersection geometric features helped in testing the model's adequacy to replicate real world driver characteristics.

DATA COLLECTION

The TEXAS simulation model is a data hungry program and requires a considerable amount of input data. Extensive data collection is important for properly recreating the field environment on the computer. These requirements help in minimizing errors that could develop in the later stages due to lack of data.

The data that was collected from the previous three studies (15, 17, 20) was used as the basis for this study and was complimented with more data collection. The extra data was needed because the three studies collected data for only two of the four approaches at each intersection.

The data was collected in each of the previous studies by filming each one of the intersection scenarios using a time-lapse camera. Each scenario was filmed continuously for seven or eight hours during the day. This filming procedure captured morning and evening peaks as well as off peak periods. The camera was situated about 300 feet in advance of the intersection. The location and orientation of the camera provided a good view of the two intersection approaches parallel to the camera's direction and of the middle of the intersection, but it was occasionally difficult to identify the green arrow indication and the green ball indication of the signal head. The filming was conducted on weekdays.

The data collected from the previous studies was for the two approaches parallel to the camera's field of view. The data included the number of vehicles stopped, the number of vehicles stopping, and the number of vehicles not stopping for each of the two approaches. Within each approach, this data was collected for the left turn movement and for the through movement separately. For those studies, the definition of the through movement incorporated both the through and right turns (20) For each hour of filming the data was set up in convenient five minute intervals and was used to calculate stopped delay. Additional data collected for those studies included the signal timing plans and intersection geometry. Intersection configuration for the approaches perpendicular to the camera's field of view was obtained from city drawings that showed the number of lanes, the lane widths, and the number and position of the loop detectors.

Additional data, not extracted from the film in the previous studies, was extracted in this study. One kind of additional data was vehicle type. The TEXAS model has twelve different vehicle classes. For practical purposes these were reduced to seven different classes which were a sports car, a compact, a medium car, a large car, a single unit truck using gas, a single unit truck using diesel fuel, and a semi-trailer truck. Viewer judgement was required in categorizing the vehicles viewed to their appropriate class. Trucks were usually categorized as single unit vehicles using gas, while buses were categorized as single unit vehicles using diesel fuel.

A second kind of additional data was headway distribution data which was collected for the

near side approach parallel to the camera's field of view. The time between two successive free flowing vehicles was recorded for each open lane of the approach separately. The data was recorded for the vehicles traveling freely through the intersection during a green period and without slowing down due to a queue. When this condition occurred, the time when a lead vehicle passed a fixed point on the screen was recorded and the time that subsequent vehicles passed the same point was also recorded until the free flow state was interrupted. The difference between these recorded times gave the headway in seconds.

A third kind of additional data was a continuous record of signal timing. This data was collected randomly in 5 minute intervals in each hour.

After acquisition of the additional data for the eight intersection conditions and the selection of the default values for the variables that had no data collected, the TEXAS model was used to simulate the intersection operation. For each set of conditions that were simulated, 15 replications were conducted, each using a different random seed. Mean values of the outputs from the 15 replications were used to compare with the field data acquired in the three previous studies.

Each one of the eight intersection conditions was analyzed separately. The volume data for each intersection was divided into 10 minute intervals. For each hour of film the first five 10 minute intervals were considered. The last 10 minute interval was omitted because each film was not exactly one hour long and varied from 52 minutes in some cases to 59 minutes in others.

Determination of The Critical Time Periods

Each intersection was divided into 35 to 40 intervals depending on the number of hours of film (7 or 8) for each location. The process of taking every interval (approximately 35 intervals) and running it 15 times for each intersection condition would have been extremely time consuming. Therefore it was decided to choose representative intervals for each intersection which would be the most critical.

The procedure undertaken was to arrange the thirty five to forty 10 minute approach volumes for the near side approach of an intersection in ascending order. The emphasis was on the

two approaches parallel to the camera's field of view because they were the ones for which average stopped delay was calculated in the previous studies. Figure D-1 illustrates this procedure. The table contains a column for the left turn volume of the near approach, the percent of left turns, the volume of the opposing approach, the cycle length, and the product parameter.

The product parameter is reached by multiplying the approach volume by the percentage of left turns and by the opposing volume. The range of the approach volume is divided into 6 to 8 intervals and a frequency table is generated then a histogram is drawn. Figure D-2 shows the histogram for one of the intersection conditions and it results in a distribution which is similar in shape to a normal distribution. Out of each frequency interval the critical reading is selected based on the greater value of the product parameter. This was the basis for the selection procedure of the critical 10 minute time periods. The actual selection differed somewhat depending on the type of left turn phasing at that particular intersection. The selection figures and their corresponding histograms for the remaining seven intersection conditions are documented in Appendix D-1.

For permissive left turn phasing the most critical parameter is the volume on the opposing approach. Therefore for this condition the critical 10 minute time period chosen in each interval is the one satisfying the greater value of the product parameter. If one of the intervals has more than one cycle length, the selection process is conducted for each value of the cycle length separately.

The critical parameter for the exclusive/permissive left turn phasing is also the volume on the opposing approach for the permissive part and the left turn volume on the near approach for the exclusive part. The selection process for this case involves finding, within each interval, the 10 minute period which has the greater value of the product parameter and at the same time the greater value of the left turn volume on the near approach. The best selection is a 10 minute period which satisfies both criteria. If this is not possible then two 10 minute periods are selected - one for each criteria. Again, if there are more than one cycle length in the interval, the selection is conducted for each cycle length separately.

For the exclusive left turn phasing the critical parameter is the left turn volume on the near

INTERSECTION: ALMA SCHOOL AND BROADWAY (EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)

APPROACH	}	NORTHBOUN	D (FEB 2)					
HOURLY	LEFT	PERCENT	OPPOSING	CYCLE	PRODUCT		FREQUENCY	TABLE
VOLUME	TURN	OF LEFT	VOLUME		PARAMETER			
(VPH)	VOLUME	TURNS	(VPH)	(SEC)				
765	107	14	900	148.5	96390		750-850	2
786	165	21	1128	148.5	186188	1	850-950	7
858	129	15	858	148.5	110425		950-1050	10
864	147	17	774	148.5	113685		1050-1150	10
888	186	21	1050	148.5	195804	· 2	1150-1250	7
912	12B	14	792	148.5	101123		1250-1350	4
930	140 ,	- 15	990	148.5	138105			
942	170	18	930	148.5	157691			
948	142	15	864	148.5	122861			
954	153	16	930	148.5	141955			
954	181	19	924	148.5	167484			
954	105	11	954	148.5	100113			
960	154	16	1128	148.5	173261 121585			
978	137	14	888	148.5	80078			
996	100	10	804 1434	148.5	229899	. 3		
1002 1014	160 172	16 17	930	148.5 148.5	160313	- J		
1014	198	17 1B	810	148.5	152215	- 1		
1044	146	14	870	148.5	127159	4		
1068	171	16	1158	148.5	197879			
1068	182	17	1344	148.5	244017			
1080	173	16	97B	14B.5	168998			
1086	185	17	1134	148.5	209359			
1098	285	26	1236	148.5	352853	- 5		
1104	188	17	1098	148.5	206073			
1116	246	22	1116	148.5	274000			
1134	91	8	1446	148.5	131181			
1140	160	14	1266	148.5	202054			
1146	218	19	954	148.5	207724			
1152	207	18	1446	148.5	299843	- 6		
1158	151	13	1572	148.5	236649			
115B	139	12	1512	148.5	210108			
1164	128	11	1140	148.5	145966			
1170	140	12	1350	148.5	189540			
1194	96	В	1452	148.5	138695	_ •		
1194	215	18	1308	148.5	281115	- 7		
1272	191	15	1140	148.5	217512			
1290	232	18	930	148.5	215946	- 8		
1326	198	15	984	148.5	194832			
1332	173	13	918	148,5	158961			

Figure D-1. SELECTION OF THE CRITICAL 10 MINUTE PERIODS

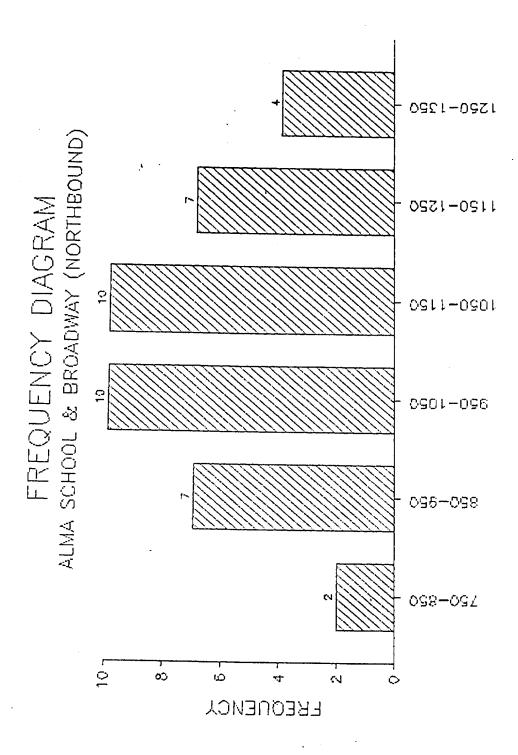


Figure D-2. HISTOGRAM OF THE FREQUENCY INTERVALS

approach. The selection criteria for this condition is the greater value of the left turn volume on the near approach. Usually this 10 minute period would have a high value for the product parameter but not necessarily the greater value. When there is more than one cycle length in each interval, the selection is conducted for each cycle length separately.

Table D-2 summarizes the findings of the selection process for all eight intersection conditions. A total of 87 critical 10 minute periods were selected and each one of the periods was run 15 times using the TEXAS model resulting in 1305 individual runs.

Table D-2 - Summary of the Critical Time Periods Selected

Intersection Condition	Number of Intervals	Number of 10 min Periods Selected
University and Alma School	9	11
Alma School and Broadway	6	8
Priest and Broadway	10	8
Thomas and 44th Street	7	10
Stonex's Scenario	8	12
Warne's Scenario	9	15
Scottsdale and Thomas	7	14
Dobson and Main	7	9

Running The Model

Once this stage was completed for each intersection condition, it was time to run the model and document the results. For each one of the selected 10 minute periods the corresponding 10 minute volume for the approaches parallel to the camera's field of view were adjusted to an hourly volume. The data relevant to each 10 minute period was keyed into the TEXAS model, both the geometry and driver-vehicle data and the simulation data. The model was run 15 times for each particular case with the replacement of the random number seed for each approach being the only change conducted from one run to the next. For each run a warm-up period of 5 minutes and a simulation period of 10 minutes were used.

The TEXAS output contains a large number of variables. These variables include: the total and average travel time, the averages and maximum length of queue on each inbound lanes, the delay resulting from slowing below xx mph, average queue delay, and average stopped delay. Since the field data measured stopped delay, it was decided to record the stopped delay values produced by the TEXAS model and ignore queue delay and queue length.

The output of the TEXAS model gives extensive results for each movement on each approach as well as summary results for each approach and for the whole intersection. Only the two approaches parallel to the camera's field of view were considered for comparison because the field data from the previous studies were only for those two approaches.

Statistical Tests

The output from the TEXAS model for the left turn and the through movements on the two approaches parallel to the camera's view were compared with the field results from the studies (15, 17, 20) The right turns were excluded because the previous studies (15, 17, 20) emphasized left turn and through movements analyses. Right turn stopped delay was only collected when the near approach had an exclusive right turn lane. Otherwise right turns were not observed due to unimportance and in some cases due to physical obstacles near the intersection which obstructed

the viewer's sight. Therefore for the purpose of this study the right turns were neglected in the comparison process.

The comparison procedure required the use of statistical tests to analyze the data and come to a conclusive decision. The objective of the required test is to make a decision on the presence of a significant difference between the output from the TEXAS model and the field data results. This statistical evaluation of data ensures that within a reasonable level of significance the conclusions reached are valid.

Paired Data t-Test

An appropriate test is that for the inferences about two means. For this research each measurement in one sample (simulation results) is matched with a particular measurement in the other sample (field results). This means that the random samples come from one population and therefore they are dependent random samples. The analysis uses the Student t-test because of the fact that the sample size is less than 30. Due to these conditions, the appropriate test to be used is the paired data t-test.

The null hypothesis tests that the difference between the pair means equals a value Do. For this test to be valid it is assumed that the population of the mean differences follow a normal distribution and the variance is unknown (16). The generalized form of the paired data t-test is given as follows:

Null Hypothesis: Ho: $\mu d = Do$

Alternate Hypothesis Ha: $\mu d > Do$

Ha: μd < Do

Ha: µd ≠ Do

The test statistic: $T.S.: t = \frac{\overline{d} - D_0}{S_0/\sqrt{n}}$

where: \vec{d} = sample mean of the n differences

Sd = sample standard deviation of the n differences

Rejection Region:

for level of significance = α (alpha)

degrees of freedom (df) = n-1

reject H_0 if $t > t_{\alpha}$;

or reject H_0 if $t < -t_0$;

or reject H_0 if $|t| > t_{\Omega}/2$.

For this study the null hypothesis (Ho) states that the mean of the differences equals zero. The alternate hypothesis (Ho) states that the mean difference does not equal zero. Therefore the value of Do equals zero and the third rejection region is applicable. The value of alpha, which is the level of significance, was set to 0.05 for all the tests that were conducted.

For each intersection condition the comparison was conducted for the left turn and through movements separately for each of the two approaches parallel to the camera's field of view. If the conclusion obtained from the test is a rejection for that movement, it means that the sample mean for the n differences (d) does not equal zero for the specified level of significance, which is 0.05. In other words the simulation results are significantly different from the field results. On the other hand if the conclusion is not to reject the null hypothesis then it is required to conduct a β -test (beta test) to conclude if the null hypothesis is accepted.

Beta Test

The symbol ,B is used for the probability of type II error. A type II error occurs if the null hypothesis is accepted when in actual fact it is false. The β -test is required to find out the probability of accepting the null hypothesis H_0 which is 1- β . The general equation used to obtain β for a small sample size and a two-tailed test is given as follows:

$$\beta = P \left[t < t_{\alpha/2} \frac{|\mu_0 - \mu_a|}{s / \sqrt{n}} \right]$$

where: μ_0 is defined as the hypothesized mean.

 μ_a is defined as the actual mean under the research hypothesis.

s is the sample standard deviation.

To find β for the paired data t-test, Do is substituted for μ_0 which in all the conditions tested equals zero. The actual mean μ_a is substituted with \overline{d} which is the calculated mean of the differences and the sample standard deviation s is substituted with S_d . Therefore the formula used is given as follows:

$$t_{(\beta,n-1)} = t_{(\alpha/2,n-1)} - \frac{|D_0 - \overline{d}|}{s_d/\sqrt{n}}$$

Using the statistical table of the t-distribution and entering at (n-l) degrees of freedom the value of β is obtained. For this study a β error of 0.25 was recommended as the cut- off point of falsely accepting the null hypothesis. Further readings on these statistical tests and more detailed explanations can be obtained from "An Introduction to Statistical Methods and Data Analysis" (16).

Graphical Representation

The simulated average stopped delay results of the left turn movement and the through movement for each one of the two approaches parallel to the camera's field of view were plotted against their respective field stopped delay results. This process was conducted for each one of the eight intersection conditions and produced a number of scattered points corresponding to the number of 10 minute periods selected for a particular intersection condition. The graph also contained a unit slope line which represented the plotting of the field stopped delay results against itself. This line was used to graphically illustrate how much the simulated stopped delay deviated from the optimum solution.

Afterwards the stopped delays for each movement of each approach parallel to the camera's field of view were grouped together depending on the type of left turn phasing. These were keyed into the SuperCalc 5 spreadsheet and a regression analysis, which is built into the software, was conducted to produce the best linear fit for the data points. SuperCalc 5 was used because of the linear regression capabilities incorporated in the software and because of its advanced graphical

features. The scattered data points were again compared with the unit slope line. The purpose of this comparison for the grouped data was to try and conclude if they followed a trend similar to that of the observed data. The objective was to try and find if the line that fits the simulated data points is parallel to the unit slope line for the observed data and if so, by how much is it shifted away from it. A statistical test was conducted on the slope coefficient of the regression line to show if it was parallel to the unit slope line. The calculation procedure for the test was similar to the one previously discussed and if the null hypothesis was not rejected a β -test was conducted. The calculated value of the slope coefficient and its standard error were automatically calculated by the software. The level of significance was set to 0.05 and the β error to 0.25.

The above mentioned graphical representation of the results differs from the proposed plots contained in the initial research proposal. Initially, it was proposed that stopped delay be plotted against traffic volume for both observed and simulated data. The idea was to visually judge whether the two plots were close or far apart. As the project progressed, it became clear that the unit slope plot is a better way of displaying the results than the initial proposed method.

RESULTS AND ANALYSES

In order to display the results in a logical form, the eight intersection conditions are grouped by the type of left turn phasing. This is an appropriate grouping because the validation process emphasized on the type of left turn phasing. The intersection conditions of Alma School and Broadway, Stonex's scenario, Warne's scenario, and Scottsdale and Thomas all had an exclusive/permissive left turn phase. Finally, the intersection conditions of Broadway and Priest, and Dobson and Main had an exclusive left turn phase. The statistical analyses and findings of one intersection only are detailed in the next section; then a summary table is provided for all eight intersection conditions.

Results of Alma School and University

The number of critical 10 minute periods selected were eleven for Alma School and

University. The results obtained from running the TEXAS model 15 times for each 10 minute period are summarized and shown in Table D-3. Each average stopped delay value for the left turn movement and for the through movement is the mean of the 15 runs for that time period.

Examining the results, both the eastbound approach and the westbound approach have similar trends. The mean stopped delay of the eleven time periods for both left turns obtained from the simulation are more than three times the mean stopped delay obtained from the field and shown in the observed column. The left turn standard deviation for the simulation results are 61.5 seconds and 76.2 seconds respectively while the standard deviation for the field results are 15.3 seconds and 13.3 seconds respectively. The through movements have the mean stopped delay for the simulation within 2 seconds of the field results and the standard deviation for the mean stopped delay in the field is at least 4 times greater than in the model. The simulation results show that there is a high variation in the delay between the different time periods for the left turn movement than for the through movement on the same approach. This variation is not that extreme for the observed delay data.

A reason for the wide spread left turn delay results in the model is due to the fact that left turn movements take place when opposing through traffic are outside a conflict region. Therefore the delay results vary depending on the combined effect of the opposing volume and the arrival pattern of the opposing traffic. This explanation is not applicable for the through movement and so the delay results are narrowly spread within a small range. For the left turn movement the delays from the model are high compared to the field delay because the model does not accurately represent driver behavior. The conflict region explanation is more conservative than gap acceptance where a left turn would be made when an appropriate gap occurs in the opposing traffic. Also real world driver behavior tends to be more aggressive than anticipated and depends on many factors.

The data points are graphically represented and are shown in Figures D-3 to D-6. Each figure has the simulated delay data plotted against the observed delay. On the same graph a line that has a slope equal to unity is drawn which represents the plotting of the observed delay data against

Table D-3 - Average Stopped Delay Results For Alma School and University (Permissive Left Turns)

		Average				D	elay	(sec)
Time of Day	Eastbound Approach Left Turn Through				Westbound Approach Left Turn Through			
	Sim	Obs.	Sim	Obs.	Sim	Obs.	Sim	Obs
8:35 am	29.8	10.5	14.0	12.4	25.9	36.7	14.4	14.0
8:45 am	33.9	26.0	14.5	11.7	30.7	45.0	14.8	15.5
8:55 am	39.2	15.0	14.4	13.9	35.9	24.5	14.5	17.5
9:40 am	109.7	11.4	15.0	15.9	56.9	19.0	15.3	16.7
10:50 am	113.8	42.0	14.5	18.5	62.8	35.0	15.9	20.0
11:30 am	180.1	24.5	16.1	19.2	179.1	57.7	15.5	13.2
1:50 pm	80.8	32.3	15.0	17.0	109.8	35.0	14.6	13.1
2:00 pm	31.8	14.5	14.2	13.3	50.7	19.2	14.3	11.5
2:45 pm	90.3	33.1	14.5	16.9	90.4	28.0	13.9	11.9
3:50 pm	147.2	48.2	17.0	35.8	222.6		16.5	19.2
4:20 pm	187.3	50.8	16.1	16.0	206.5		16.5	23.3
Mean Del.	94.9	28.0	15.0	17.3	97.4	33.3	15.1	16.0
Std. Dev.	61.49	15.26	1.00	6.90	76.22	13.29	0.94	3.91

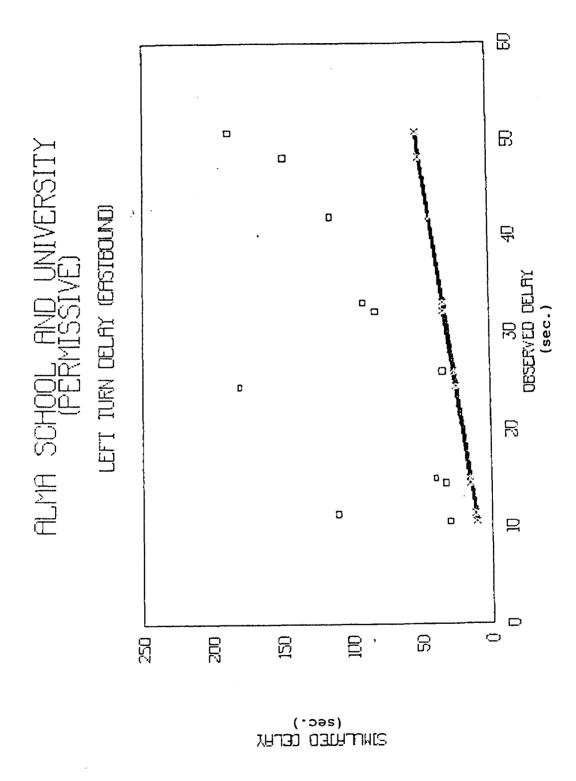


Figure D-3. ALMA SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY EASTBOUND LEFT TURN RESULTS

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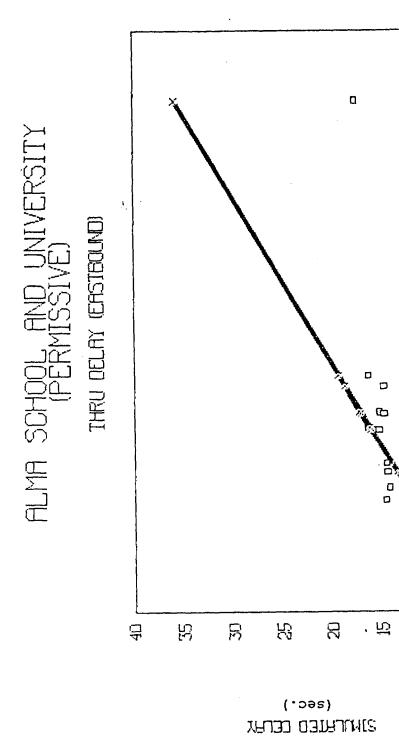


Figure D-4. ALMA SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY EASTBOUND THROUGH RESULTS

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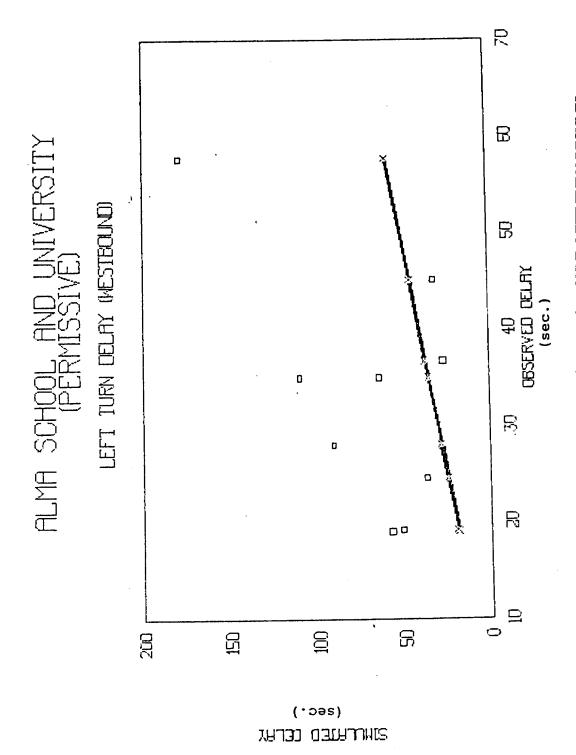


Figure D-5. ALMA SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY WESTBOUND LEFT TURN RESULTS

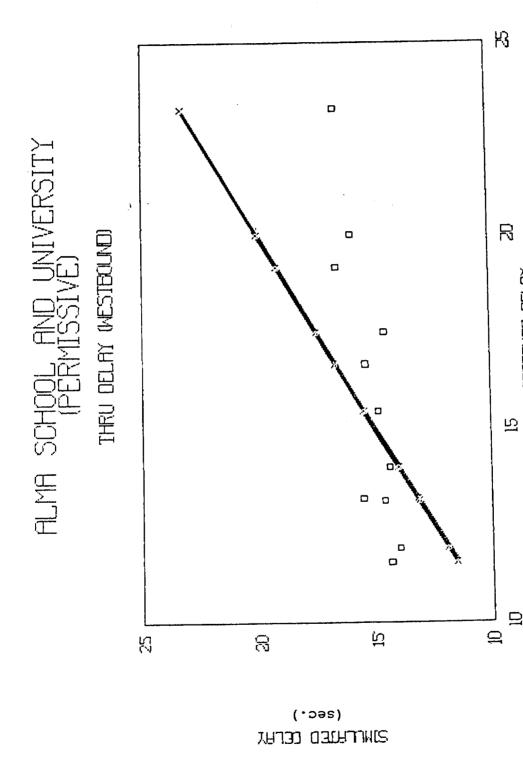


Figure D-6. ALMA SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY WESTBOUND THROUGH RESULTS

OESERVED DELAY (sec.) itself. The scatter plot shows how much the simulated delay data deviates from the observed delay data.

Evidence that the simulation model performs well would be shown if the simulated data points fall on or closely around the unit slope line. Figure D-3 shows the results of the eastbound left turn delays with all the data points falling above the unit slope line. Figure D-4 shows the results of the eastbound through delays in which the data points fall above and below the line and are grouped in a small range. Figures D-5 and D-6 show the results for the westbound left turn delays and westbound through delays respectively. The same trends that are noted for the eastbound direction are also present in the westbound direction.

Figures D-3 through D-6 suggest, but do not prove, that the simulation model works well in some cases, and performs poorly in other cases in predicting average stopped delay. To prove or disprove that the model works well, statistical tests were used. The null hypothesis was that the difference between the observed average stopped delay (from field data) and the simulated average stopped delay (TEXAS model) equals zero. The paired data t-test was adopted for the statistical analysis and the results are shown in Table D-4. The mean of the differences and the standard deviation are used to obtain the calculated test statistic t. The results of the statistical analysis show that for a level of significance of 0.05 the null hypothesis was rejected for both eastbound and westbound left turns. The null hypothesis was not rejected for the through movements and on conducting the β-test, the probability of accepting the null hypothesis was greater than 0.75. Therefore it was decided to accept the hypothesis that the difference between the observed means and the simulated means equal zero for both the eastbound and westbound through movements at a confidence level of 0.05. This means that for this intersection, the model is valid only for the through movements and not for the left turn movements. This leads to the belief that the TEXAS model's left turn logic is inconsistent with real world left turn behavior.

The plots of the left turn and through delay results for the remaining seven intersection conditions are documented in Appendix D-2. Also contained in Appendix D-2 are the paired data

Table D-4 - Paired Data t-Test Results for Alma School and University (Permissive Left Turn)

	Difference Bet	ween Simulated as	nd Observed De	lay Results (se
Time of Day	Eastbound	Turn Through Left Turn 9.31 1.62 -10.81 7.94 2.85 -14.32 4.19 0.50 11.37 8.29 -0.87 37.94 1.77 -4.01 27.76 5.62 -3.09 121.41 8.52 -1.94 74.77 7.31 0.90 31.54 7.20 -2.39 62.36 9.01 -18.77 6.52 0.12 6.88 -2.28 38.00 2.67 6.14 35.74 4.121 -1.231 2.755 cannot reject	d Approach	
	Left Turn	Through	pproach Westbound A Through Left Turn 1.62 -10.81 2.85 -14.32 0.50 11.37 -0.87 37.94 -4.01 27.76 -3.09 121.41 -1.94 74.77 0.90 31.54 -2.39 62.36 -18.77 0.12 -2.28 38.00 6.14 35.74 -1.231 2.755	Through
8:35 am	19.31	1.62	-10.81	0.36
8:45 am	7.94	2.85	-14.32	-0.67
8:55 am	24.19	0.50	11.37	-3.00
9:40 am	98.29	-0.87	37.94	-1.33
10:50 am	71.77	-4.01	27.76	-4.14
11:30 am	155.62	-3.09	121.41	2.28
1:50 pm	48.52	-1.94	74.77	1.46
2:00 pm	17.31	0.90	31.54	2.79
2:45 pm	57.20	-2.39	62.36	2.03
3:50 pm	99.01	-18.77		-2.63
4:20 pm	136.52	0.12		-6.75
lean Difference	66.88	-2.28	38.00	-8.87
tandard Deviation	52.67	6.14	35.74	3.18
calculated	4.121	-1.231	2.755	-0.911
		cannot reject		cannot rejec
Conclusion Probability to	reject H _O	H _o	reject H _O	Ho
Accept H _O (1-β)		0.83		0.89

Notes: n = 11, $t_{(0.025.10)} = 2.228$

t-test results.

Results of The Combined Data

The statistical analyses of the second permissive left turn phasing intersection (Thomas and 44th Street) indicated similar results to those of Alma School and University intersection. In both cases it was concluded that the TEXAS model overestimates delay for left turn movements. This finding was previously illustrated in Figures D-3 and D-5 where points were scattered above the unit slope line. It was decided to combine the data of both intersections and attempt to fit a linear regression line for those scattered points. If a straight line parallel to the unit slope line is successfully fitted, then the deviation between the original line and the new line would measure the average deviation between the field data and the TEXAS model results. Linear regression was conducted to fit a line to the scattered data points. The slope coefficient was statistically tested with the null hypothesis stating that the slope coefficient equals 1. If the null hypothesis is accepted than, the regression line through the data points is parallel to the unit slope line, but it is shifted upward at a certain value equal to the value by which the model over estimates delay. Results of the regression analyses are shown in Table D-5. The statistical test conducted to find out if the slope coefficient equals 1 were all rejected except for the left turn delay data for the near side approach. A B-test was conducted and the probability of accepting the null hypothesis that the slope coefficient equals 1 was 0.93. Therefore it is safe to say that the left turn delays for the near side approach obtained from the TEXAS model follow the same trend as the observed left turn delay results for the same approach but with an increased delay of 66.8 seconds.

The regression analysis results of the combined data for exclusive/permissive and exclusive intersections are documented in Appendix D-3.

A summary of all the statistical results for the eight intersection cases and the combined data is shown in Table D-6. The significant conclusion reported for the eight intersection cases means that the simulated mean stopped delays produced by the TEXAS model are significantly different than the mean stopped delays observed in the field at a level of confidence of 95%.

Table D-5 - Regression Analysis Results for Permissive Left Turn Phasing

Parameters	Near Side	Approach	Far Side Approach		
- amineters	Left Turn	Through	Far Side A Left Turn 1.814 0.330 17.52 0.640 2.467 rejcct H ₀	Through	
Slope Value	1.132	0.231	1.814	0.227	
Sid. Error of Slope	0.266	0.075	0.330	0.066	
Intercept Value	66.82	11.72	17.52	11.37	
R Squared	0.489	0.331	0.640		
t Calculated	0.495	-10.226	2.467	-11.659	
Conclusion	cannot				
Probability to	reject H _O	rejcct H _o	rejcct H _O	rejcct H _o	
Accept Ho (1-β)	0.93				

Notes: H_0 : $b_1 = 1$ (slope is unity). H_0 : $b_1 = 1$ (slope is not unity)

Table D-6 - Summary of All Statistical Results

Apr	roach	Near	Side	Far	Side
		Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through
Permissive	Alma School and	S	N.S.*	S	N.S.*
1 011111111111	Thomas and 44th Street	S	S S S I S N.S.* N.S.* N S S N.S.* S N S N.S.* S N	N.S	
	Alma School and Broadway	S	N.S.*	N.S.*	N.S.*
Exclusive/ Permissive	Stonex's Scenario	s	S	S	N.S.
	Warne's Scenario Scottsdale	S	N.S.*	s	N.S.*
	and Thomas	S	N.S.*	N.S.	N.S.*
Exclusive	Broadway and Priest	S	N.S.*	S	N.S.*
Exclusive	Dobson and Main	S	N.S.* S N N.S.* N.S. N	S	
	Permissive	N.S.*	s	s	S
Combined Data	Exclusive/ Permissive	N.S.	S	N.S.	S
	Exclusive	N.S.*	S	N.S.*	S

Note:

S -denotes a significant conclusion from the null hypothesis.

N.S -denotes a non-significant conclusion from the null hypothesis.

⁻denotes it also passed the β -test criteria.

The combined data includes the three left turn phasing treatments. The permissive left turn treatment combines two intersection results, the exclusive/permissive treatment combines four intersection results, and the exclusive treatment combines two intersection results. The significant conclusion reported for the combined data means that the regression line fitted to the delay data produced by TEXAS has a slope significantly different from unity at a level of confidence of 95%.

Examination of Table D-6 reveals that all the near side left turn delays rejected the null hypothesis that they do not differ from the observed delay, while all the through delays for the combined data were not parallel to the unit slope line.

CONCLUSIONS

The main goal of this study was to test the TEXAS model results against field data, and make recommendations on whether this computer program is a viable tool that the traffic engineer can use in his decision making process. The following conclusions were attained from the numerous simulation runs and statistical analyses:

- The model was found to have a high variability between the 15 runs for the
 permissive left turn phasing. This variability decreased for the exclusive/permissive
 left turn phasing and reached low variability for the exclusive left turn phasing.
- 2. The model was observed to over estimate delays for left turn traffic for all three signal controller strategies (permissive, exclusive/permissive, and exclusive). The differences between the simulated and observed field data were the greatest for permissive control and it was smaller for exclusive/permissive control and the least for exclusive control.
- It is believed that the permissive left turn logic can not properly replicate the real world gap acceptance process. Further investigation is needed to review this logic.
- 4. The results for the through movements were found to be inconsistent. The conclusions reached from the paired data t-test did not follow a noticeable pattern.

The results of the null hypothesis testing, that the difference between the observed mean stopped delay and the simulated mean stopped delay equal zero, was found to be significant in some cases and non significant in other cases. On the other hand the results of the left turn movements consistently gave significant results with few exceptions.

- 5. Results of the combined data, for testing if the fitted line is parallel to the unit slope line connecting the observed data, were significant for the through movements. Non-significance was evident for the near side left turns implying that there exists a similar trend with the observed data. The far side left turns had mixed results which were significant for the permissive control and not significant for the exclusive control.
- 6. The non-significant results of the combined data fitted a line that was parallel to the observed data but which was shifted upwards at a certain value equal to the value which the model over estimates delay.
- 7. It appears that the discharge rate generated internally by the car following model is smaller than the actual rate observed in the field. Appropriate adjustments for the car following parameters may result in agreement between the simulated and field results.

One of the major objectives of this study was to be able to recommend to the traffic engineer an evaluation tool to help in his decision making process. The emphasis was on the ability of the model to adequately predict delays so that it can be used by the traffic engineer to select the best type of left turn phasing for the intersection condition. Presently this selection is difficult because of the model's inability to properly replicate the permissive left turn phasing which is the principal type of phasing that traffic engineers are concerned with.

The model is still useful in giving a better understanding of how the different variables associated with intersection operations interact together. The model could be a powerful tool for traffic engineers to make subjective decisions. This implies that it can be used to conduct theoretical "what if" and "before and after" scenarios for the purpose of making decisions on the variables that

affect intersection operation and the effectiveness of one variable as opposed to another. These decisions would become guidelines to the traffic engineer and would not in any way be used for implementation purposes without conducting traditional on site studies.

APPENDIX D-1 SELECTION PROCESS OF THE CRITICAL 10 MINUTE PERIODS

INTERSECTION: ALMA SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY (PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)

APPROACH : EASTBOUND (LEG 4)

HOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN Volume	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)	CYCLE LENGTH (SEC)	PRODUCT PARAMETER		FREQUENCY	TABLE
588	35	6	942	50	33234	1	550-650	1
750	75	10	660	50	49500	2	650-750	1
756	30	4	834	50	25220		750-850	6
762	91	12	786	50	71872	3	850-950	7
774	39	5	1218	55	47137		950-1050	7
786	86	11	816	50	70551		1050-1150	4
828	50	6	852	50	42327		1150-1250	5
834	67	8	864	55	57646	4	1250-1350	i
852	77	9	1134	55	86955		1350-1450	3
870	113	13	948	50	107219	5		
918	46	5	882	55	40484			
930	74	8.	1206	55	89726			
948	76	8	1278	55	96924	6		
94B	66	7	1464	55	97151			
948	85	9	918	55	78324			
966	87	9	864	55	75116			
978	39	4	1044	55	40841			
1020	82	В	1128	55	92045			
1020	92	9	966	55	88679			
1032	62	6	1098	55	679B8			
1038	73	7	1026	55	74549			
1038	93	9	996	55	93046	7		
1962	64	6	1026	55	65377			
1086	98	9	954	55	93244			
1092	66	6	966	55	63292			
1104	155	14	918	55_	141886	8		
1158	127	11	1158	55	147506	9		
1164	93	8	1038	55	96659			
1194	72	6	1134	55	81240			
1224	73	6	1188	55	87247			
1248	112	9	984	55_	110523			
1266	114	9	1266	55	144248	10		
1356	108	8	1245	55	135058			
1422	114	8	1245	55	141631	11		
1428	100	7	1194	55	119352			

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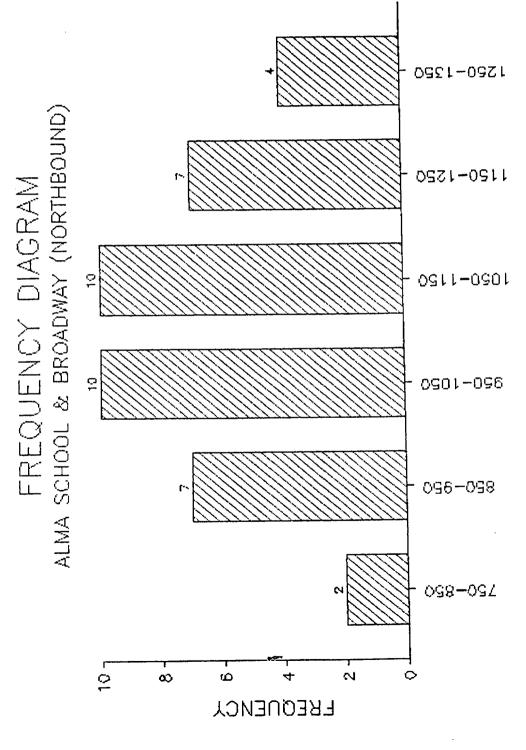
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INTERSECTION: ALMA SCHOOL AND BROADWAY (EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)

APPROACH: NORTHBOUND (LEG 3)

HOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN Volume	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)		PRODUCT Parameter		FREQUENCY	TABLE
765	107	14	900	148.5	96390		750-850	2
786	165	21	1128	148.5	186188 -	 1	850-950	7
858	129	15	858	148.5	110425	_	950-1050	10
864	147	17	774	148.5	113685		1050-1150	10
988	186	21	1050	148.5	195804 -	 2	1150-1250	7
912	128	14	792	148.5	101123		1250-1350	4
930	140	15	990	148.5	138105			
942	170	18	930	148.5	157691			
948	142	15	864	148.5	122861			
954	153	16	930	148.5	141955			
954	181	19	924	148.5	167484			
954	105	11	954	148.5	100113			
960	154	16	1128	148.5	173261			
978	137	14	888	148.5	121585			
996	100	10	804	148.5	80078			
1002	160	16	1434	148.5	229899 -	 3		
1014	172	17	930	148.5	140313			
1044	188	19	810	148.5	152215 -	 4		
1044	146	14	870	148.5	127159			
1048	171	16	1158	148.5	197879			
1068	182	17	1344	148.5	244017			
1080	173	16	978	148.5	168998			
1086	185	17	1134	148.5	209359			
1098	285	26	1236	148.5	352853 -	 5		
1104	188	17	1098	148.5	206073			
1116	246	22	1116	148.5	274000			
1134	91	8	1446	148.5	131101			
1140	160	14	1266	148.5	202054			
1146	218	19	954	148.5	207724			
1152	207	18	1446	148.5	299843 -	 6		
115B	151	13	1572	148.5	236649			
1158	139	12	1512	148.5	210108			
1164	128	11	1140	148.5	145966			
1170	140	12	1350	148.5	189540			
1194	96	8	1452	148.5	138695	_		
1194	215	18	1308	148.5	281115 -	 7		
1272	191	15	1140	148.5	217512	_		
1290	232	18	930	148.5	215946 -	 8		
1320	198	15	984	148.5	194832			
1332	173	13	918	148.5	158961			





INTERSECTION: BROADWAY AND PRIEST (EXCLUSIVE LEFT TURNS)

APPROACH : EASTBOUND (LEG 4)

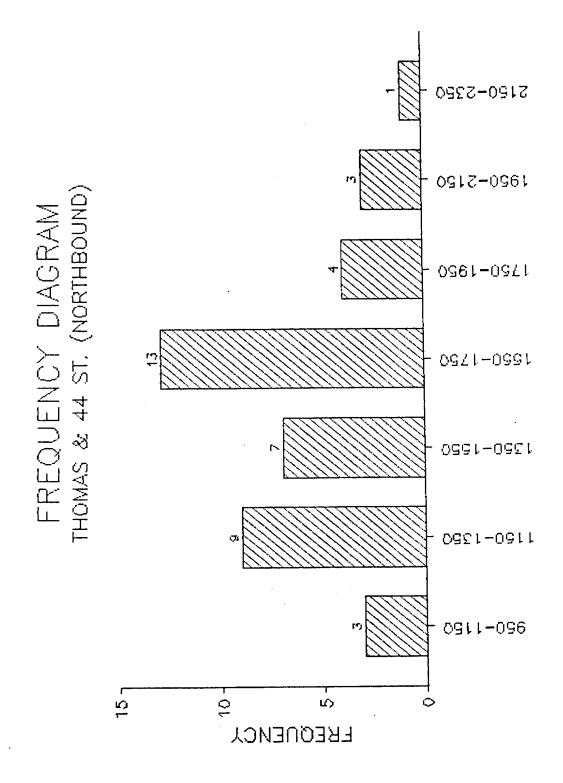
HOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN VOLUME	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	DPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)	CYCLE LENGTH (SEC)	PRODUCT Parameter		FREQUENCY	TABLE
1014	142	14	936	129	132875		1000-1100	4
1020	122	12	1218	129	149083		1100-1200	5
1962	181	17	876	129	159153		1200-1300	2
1080	194	18	1302	129	253109	1	1300-1400	2
1128	113	10	966	129	108965		1400-1500	4
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118B	131	11	1224	129	159952		1700-1800	4
1194	203	17	1062	129	215565	2	1800-1900	0
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1278	217	17	1320	129	286783	3		
1386	194	14	1290	129	250312	4		
1392	153	11	1194	129	182825			
1428	157	11	1200	129	188496			
1440	130	9	1344	129	174182			
1440	230	16	936	129	215654	5		
1482	178	12	1164	129	207006	_		
1644	132	8	1410	129	185443			
1668	217	13	1368	129	296637	6		
1734	225	13	1566	129	353008	· 7		
1734	191	11	1404	129	267799			
1740	174	10	1548	129	269352			
1764	194_	- 11	1494	129	289896			
1920	230	12	1704	129	392602	8		

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INTERSECTION: THOMAS AND 44 ST. (PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)

APPROACH	:	NORTHBOUND	(LE6	3)

HOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN Volume	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)		PRODUCT Parameter	FREQUENCY	TABLE
954	153	16	1392	50	212475 1	950-1150	3
1122	123	11	1158	50	142920	1150-1350	9
1134	159	14	1014	50	160983	1350-1550	7
1194	239	20	1176	50	280829 —— 2	1550-1750	13
1224	147	12	1806	60	265265	1750-1950	4
1254	163	13	1410	50	229858	1950-2150	3
1266	152	12	1524	60	231526	2150-2350	1
1272	178	14	1380	50	245750		
1278	204	16	1260	50	257645		
1290	142	11	1572	50	223067		
1296	207	16	1260	50	261274		
1338	174	13	1788	60	<u> 311005 — 3</u>		
1356	244	18	1524	50	371978 ——4		
1374	165	12	1356	50	223577		
1422	171	12	1458	50	248793		
1428	171	12	1434	50	245730		
1440	202	14	1566	50	315706		
1512	181	12	1638	50	297199		
1536	246	16	1422	50	349471		
1560	187	12	1536	50	287539		
1566	204	13	1410	50	287048		
1566	199	12	1752	50	32 92 36		
1602	208	13	1482	50	308641		
1602	240	15	1404	50	337 38 1		
1614	194	12	1602	50	310275		
1626	211	13	1338	50	282826		
1644	181	11	1566	50	283195		
1662	233	14	1674	50	389506 — 5		
1668	183	11	1650	50	302742		
169 8	221	13	1530	50	337732		
1722	207	12	1596	50	3297 9 7		
1728	190	11	1434	50	272 575		
1836	202	11	1674	50	338081 — 6		
1848	166	9	1632	50	271434		
1890	170	9	1458	55	248006 7		
1902	152	8	1620	<u>55</u>	246499		
1974	158	8	1428	55	225510		
2052	205	10	1626	50	333655 8		
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2268	159	7	1476	55	234330 10		



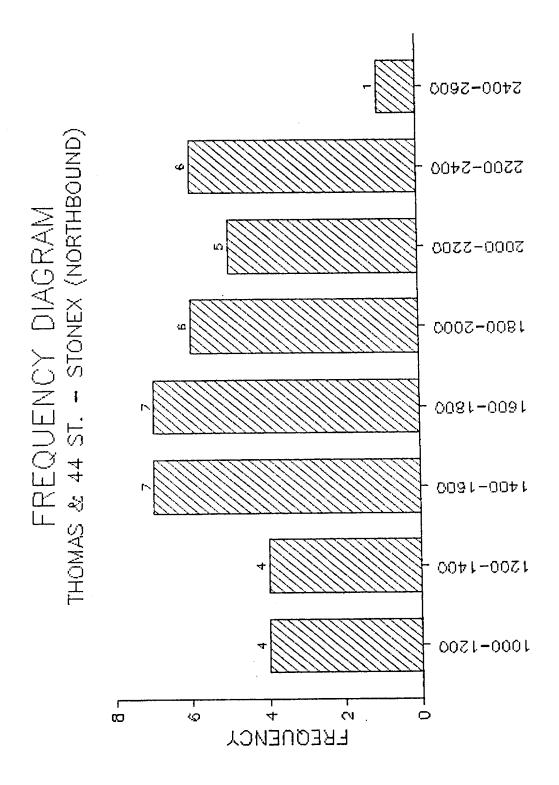
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INTERSECTION: THOMAS AND 44 ST. (EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)

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APPROACH: NORTHBOUND (LEG 3)

HOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN Volume	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)	CYCLE LENGTH (SEC)	PRODUCT Parameter	FREQUENCY	TABLE
1020	133	13	1446	77	191740	1000-1200	4
1086	185	17	1368	95	252560 1	1200-1400	4
1182	142	12	1350	77	191484 — 2	1400-1600	7
1188	214	19	1386	17	296382	1600-1800	7
1284	193	15	1332	77	256543	1800-2000	6
1320	172	13	1398	77	239897	2000-2200	5
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1362	123	9	1500	95	183870 4	2400-2600	1
1422	242	17	1488	77	359709		
1452	189	13	1260	77	237838		
1458	175	12	1500	95	262440 5		
1500	300	20	1500	77	450000 6		
1506	226	15	1578	77	356470		
1536	246	16	1530	77	376013		
1572	236	15	1380	77	325404		
1632	228	14	1530	77	349574		
1650	264	16	1686	77	445104		
1656	282	17	1554	77	437482		
1716	240	14	1380	77	331531		
1722	241	14	1686	77	406461		
1734	260	15	1698	77	441650		
1776	302	17	1704		514472 7		
1800	288	16	1560	77	449280		
1936	275	15	1536	77	423014		
1944	214	11	1626	77	347704		
1944	272	14	1716	77	467027		
1956	313	16	1530	77	478829 8		
196B	256	13	1656		423671		
2016	222	11	1626	77	360582		
2046	205	10	1722	95	352321		
2160	238	11	1590	95	377784 9	^	
2190	241	11	1698	77	409048 1	U	
2190	219	10	1686	95	369234	•	
220B	309	14	1680	95	519322 1	T	
2223	289	13	1632	95	471632		
229B	230	10	1668	95	383306		
2346	188	8	1578	95	296159		
2364	260	11	1620	95	421265		
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2454	245	10	1812	95	444665 1	4	



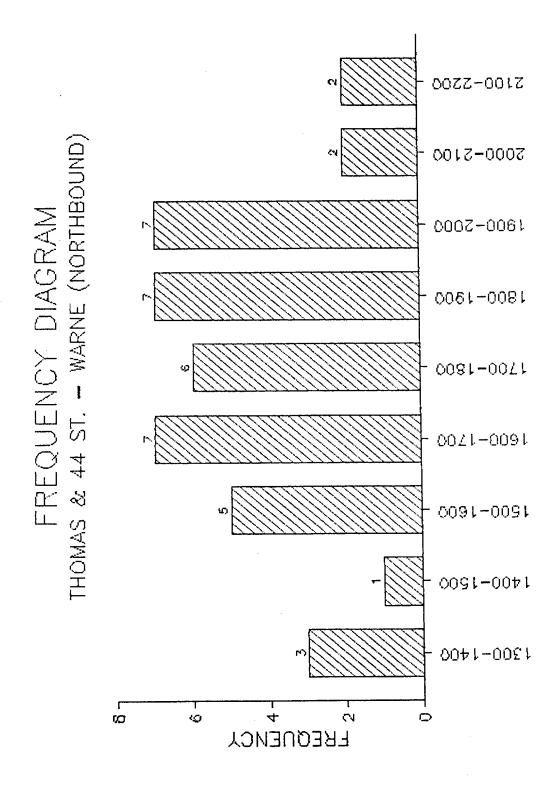
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INTERSECTION: THOMAS AND 44 ST. (EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)
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APPROACH:

NORTHBOUND (LEG 3)

(VPH)	LEFT TURN Volume	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)	CYCLE Length (SEC)	PRODUCT Parameter		FREQUENCY	TABLE
1314	171	13	1230	90	210109		1300-1400	3
1362	177	13	1284	90	227345		1400-1500	i
1362	232	17	1338	90	309801	1	1500-1600	5
1476	148	10	1440	115		2	1600-1700	7
1512	257	17	1140	90	293026		1700-1800	6
1530	214	14	1266	90	271177		1800-1900	7
1530	245	16	1428	90	349574		1900-2000	7
1590	239	15	1482	90	353457	4	2000-2100	2
1596	192	12	1410	90	270043		2100-2200	2
1608	273	17	1452	90	396919			
1614	258	16	1392	90	359470	_		
1620	324	20	1404	90	454896	.5		
1626	179	11	1200	90	214632			
1656	265	16	1320	90	349747			
1662	150	9	1452	90	217190			
1662	233	14	1590	90	369961			
1740	278	16	1614	90	449338	6		
1752	315	10	1350	90	425736	7		
1758	264	15	1572	90	414536			
1776	160	9	1578	115	252228	8		
1788	286	16	1548	90	442852			
1800	270	15	1440	90	388800			
1824	255	14	1698	90	433601			
1836	202	11	1344	90	271434			
1854	278	15	1656	90	460534			
1866	243	13	1530	115	371147	9		
1872	243	13	1326	70	322695			
1878	282	15	1338	90	376915			
1884	283	15	1626	90	459508	10		
1920	192	10	1188	115	228096			
1944	292	15	1290	90	376164			
1950	312	16	1602	90	499824	11		
1950	273	14	1212	90	330976			
1950	234	12	1554	90	363636			
1968	216	11	1386	90	300041			
1980	238	12	1548	115	367805	12		
2004	321	16	1590	90	509818	13		
2010	281	14	1428	90	401839			
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2148	236	11	1152	90	272195	15		



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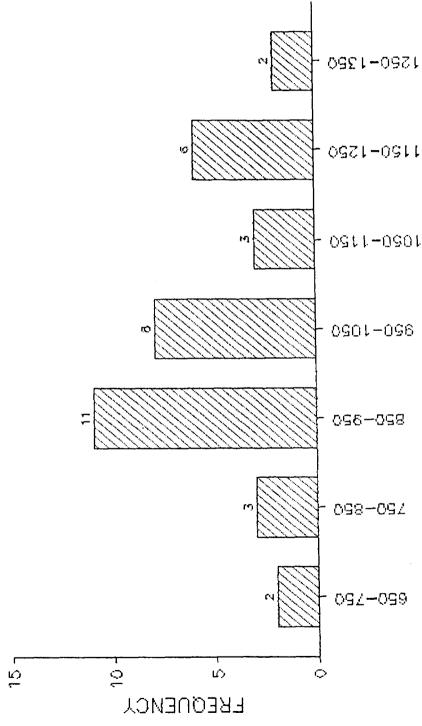
SCOTTSDALE AND THOMAS (EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE LEFT TURNS)

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NESTBOUND (LEG 2)

KOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN VOLUME	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)	CYCLE LENGTH (SEC)	PRODUCT Parameter		FREQUENCY	TABLE
696	97	14	1008	94	98220		650-750	2
750	90	12	1230	94	110700	1	750-850	3
816	155	19	1068	94	165583	_	850-950	11
834	117	14	906	94	105785		950-1050	8
834	142	17	1404	94	199059	2	1050-1150	3
852	170	20	1134	94	193234		1150-1250	6
876	70	8	1002	94A	70220	3	1250-1350	2
876	131	15	1134	94	149008			
894	134	15	918	106	123104	4		
894	179	20	1416	94	253181			
900	189	21	1446	94	273294			
900	171	19	1380	94	235980			
900	180	20	1236	94	222480			
930	158	17	990	94	156519			
942	141	15	1368	94	193298			
942	207	22	1506	94	312103	5		
990	149	15	1128	94	167508			
996	219	22	804	94A	176172	6		
1002	140	14	948	106	132985	7		
1002	170	17	996	94	169659			
1026	92	9	918	106 -	84768			
1026	205	20	1338	94	274558			
1044	209	20	1392	94	290650	_		
1050	231	22	1398	94	322938	8		
1122	146	13	1350	94	196911	9		
1122	191	17	1572	94	299843			
1128	203	18	1848	109	375218 —	10		
1164	244	21	1476	94	360793	11		
1176	212	18	1116	94	236235			
1176	153	13	1638	109	200107	12		
1194	167	14	1596	94	266787			
1194	143	12	1680	109	240710			
1248	150	12	1602	109	239916			
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FREQUENCY DIAGRAM SCOTTSDALE & THOMAS (WESTBOUND)

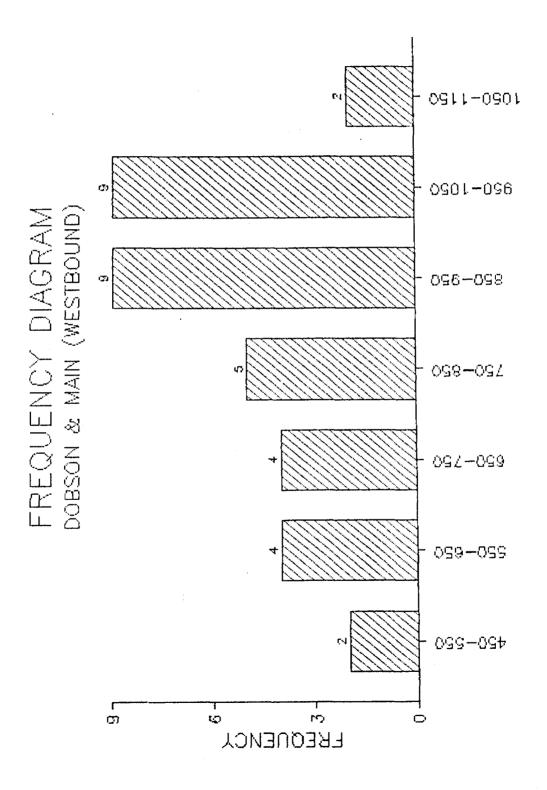


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INTERSECTION: DOBSON AND MAIN (EXCLUSIVE LEFT TURNS)

APPROACH: WESTBOUND (LEG 2)

HOURLY VOLUME (VPH)	LEFT TURN VOLUME	PERCENT OF LEFT TURNS	OPPOSING VOLUME (VPH)	CYCLE Length (SEC)	PRODUCT Parameter		FREQUENCY	TABLE
492	133	27	492	115	65357	 1	450-550	2
516	108	21	450	115	48762		550-650	4
576	156	27	648	115	100777	-	650-750	4
582	157	27	564	115	88627		750- 850	5
600	174	29	486	115	84564		850-950	9
64B	188	29	576	115	108242	 2	950-1050	9
660	224	34	738	115	165607		1050-1150	2
684	185	27	666	115	122997			
708	249	35	654	115	162061			
<u> 132</u>	293	40	894	115	<u> 261763</u>	 3		
750	240	32	666	115	159840			
774	286	37	852	115	243996	 4		
780	218	28	918	115	200491			
798	279	3 5	810	115	226233			
846	254	30	834	115	211669	-		
870	287	33	1608	115	461657			
876	307	35	1506	115	461740	 5		
882	326	37	1104	115	360279			
906	362	40	1050	115	380520			
912	264	29	1050	115	277704			
936	365	39	1140	115	416146	 6		
942	292	31	996	115	290852			
948	256	27	984	115	251865			
94B	284	30	1506	115	428306			
940	365	38	1482	115	540634	 7		
972	311	32	960	115	298598			
990	337	34	1188	115	399881			
996	359	36	1128	115	404456			
1002	321	32	1269	115	406892			
1038	384	37	1050	115	403263			
1044	345	33	972	115	334873			
1044	345	33	966	115	332806	_		
1044	386	37	1188	115	458901	_		
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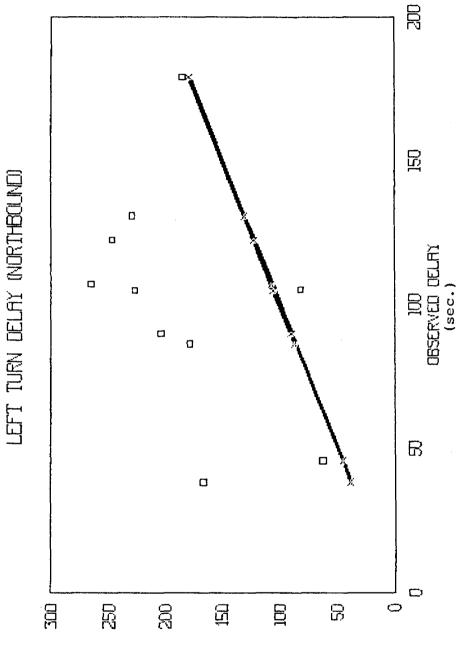


APPENDIX D-2 DELAY PLOTS AND PAIRED DATA t-TEST RESULTS

Table - Average Stopped Delay Results For Thomas and 44th Street (Permissive Left Turns)

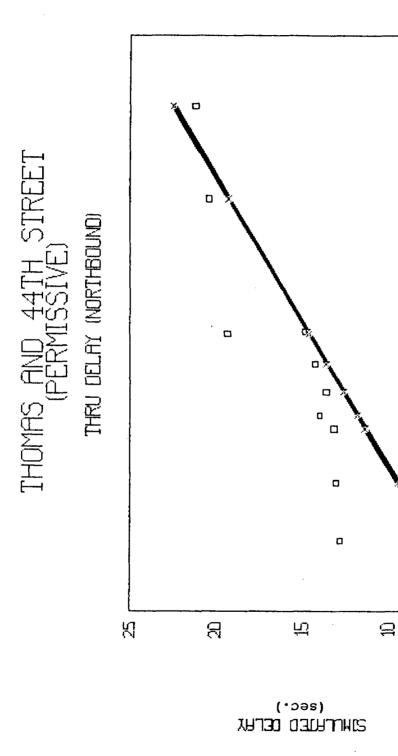
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m i a	Nort	thbound	Appro	oach	Sout	thbound	Appro	ach	
Time of Day	Left	Turn	Through		Left	Left Turn		Through	
	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	
8:00 am	167.2	38.2	13.1	11.3	29.7	45.8	12.8	14.5	
9:25 am	63.2	45.7	12.8	7.4	33.9	13.0	12.9	9.5	
9:55 am	81.6	105.2	13.0	9.4	24.0	37.5	12.6	10.6	
10:40 am	204.2	89.9	13.6	12.6	116.2	26.1	13.6	11.2	
2:00 pm	265.8	107.0	14.2	13.6	162.9	74.3	13.4	13.5	
3:00 pm	247.5	122.3	14.0	11.8	228.0	80.0	13.4	13.6	
3:40 pm	228.6	130.7	14.8	14.7	222.4	114.4	14.0	13.8	
4:00 pm	227.4	104.9	19.3	14.6	242.6	107.6	16.4	16.6	
4:20 pm	179.0	86.4	20.4	19.3	218.8	53.8	15.8	10.2	
4:40 pm	185.3	178.8	21.2	22.5	225.9	147.4	16.3	13.1	
Mean Del.	185.0	100.9	15.6	13.7	150.4	70.0	14.1	12.7	
Std. Dev.	70.61	42.75	3.48	4.70	96.57	45.24	1.54	2.36	





- Thomas and 44th Street Northbound Left Turn Results

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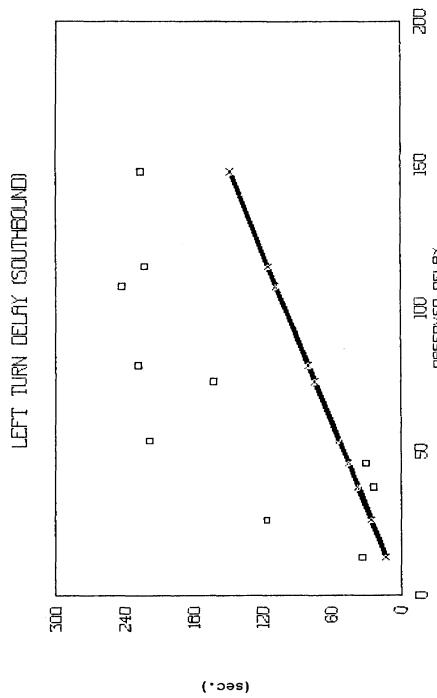
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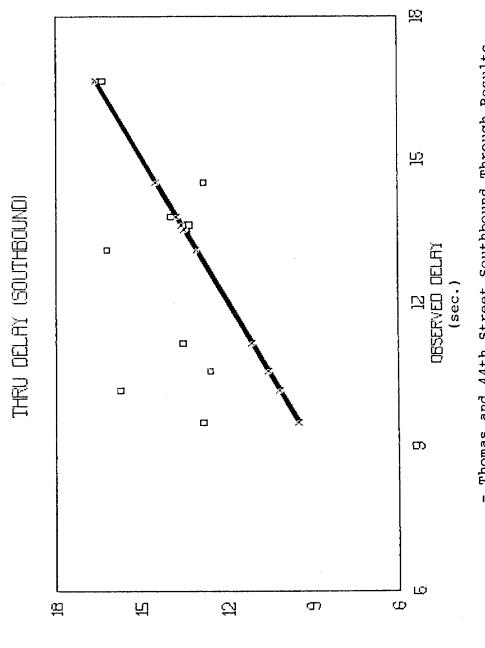
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- Paired Data t-Test Results For Thomas and 44th Street (Permissive Left Turns)

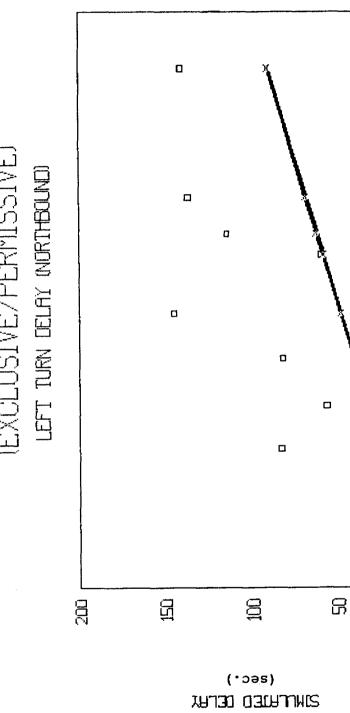
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of Day	Northbound	d Approach	Southbound Approach		
	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through	
8:00 am	128.99	1.79	-16.09	-1.68	
9:25 am	17.55	5.38	20.91	3.36	
9:55 am	-23.60	3.59	-13.53	2.04	
10:40 am	114.29	1.00	90.08	2.41	
2:00 pm	158.83	0.63	88.59	-0.11	
3:00 pm	125.18	2.18	147.97	-0.28	
3:40 pm	97.89	0.10	107.96	0.15	
4:00 pm	122.52	4.69	135.01	-0.24	
4:20 pm	92.60	1.15	165.06	5.60	
4:40 pm	6.55	-1.34	78.51	3.14	
Mean Difference Standard Deviation	84.08 64.77	1.92 2.21	80.45 67.87	1.44 2.35	
t calculated	4.105	2.745	3.748	1.935	
Conclusion Probability to	reject H _o	reject H _o	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	
Accept H _o (1-B)				0.62	

Note: n = 10, $t_{(0.025,9)} = 2.262$

- Average Stopped Delay Results For Alma School and Broadway (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

	=	Av	erage	Stoppe	ped Delay (sec)			
Time	Nort	hbound	l Appro	oach	Southbound Approach			
of Day	Left	Turn	Thro	Through		Left Turn		ough
	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.
10:45 am	82.0	39.8	40.7	33.7	42.7	49.0	42.8	39.2
10:55 am	83.0	24.0	40.9	38.9	40.8	35.0	41.2	40.0
1:10 pm	55.7	31.5	38.8	30.9	38.9	38.8	37.9	43.4
2:30 pm	136.9	67.7	37.7	51.1	35.5	34.0	36.1	35.9
2:40 pm	58.5	57.7	36.4	37.5	38.0	48.8	35.7	40.1
3:25 pm	140.9	90.1	43.0	52.8	50.7	40.8	41.7	55.0
4:20 pm	114.2	61.3	43.0	39.1	54.1	30.8	48.7	49.1
5:00 pm	145.5	47.6	47.3	47.2	61.3	33.2	49.6	54.8
Mean Del.	102.1	52.5	41.0	41.4	45.3	38.8	41.7	44.7
Std. Dev.	39.53	22.83	3.71	8.61	9.71	7.45	5.63	7.87





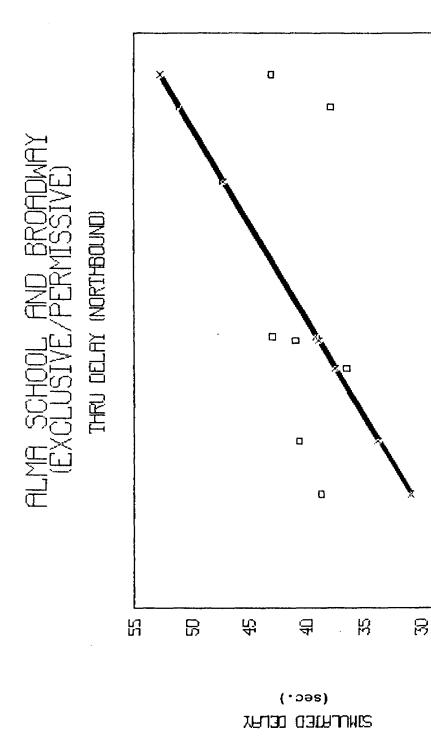
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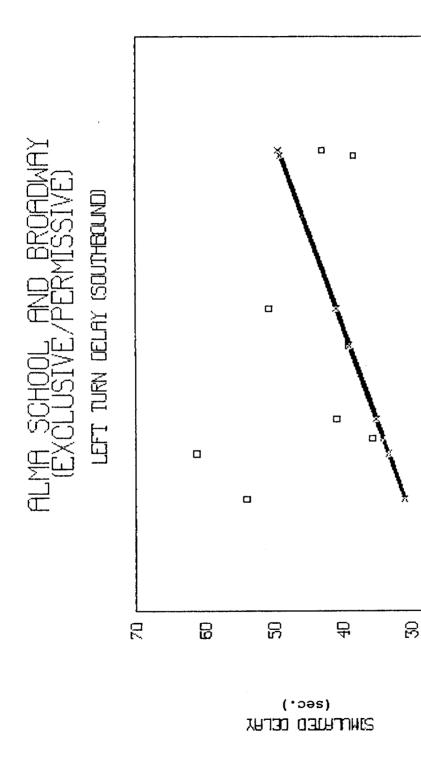
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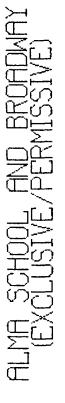
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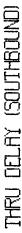
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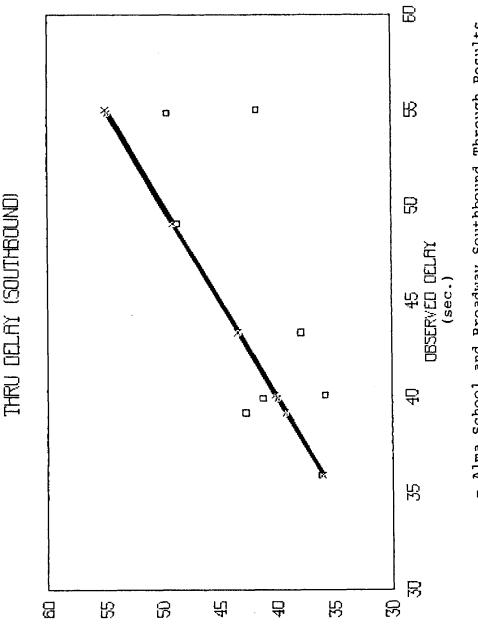
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- Paired Data t-Test Results For Alma School and Broadway (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

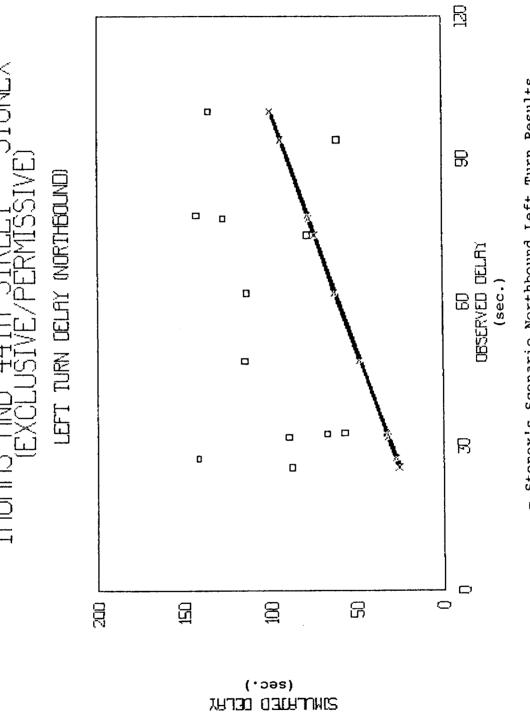
Time	Difference	Between S Delay Res	imulated anults (sec)	nd Observed	
of Day	Northbound	d Approach	Southbound Approach		
	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through	
10:45 am	42.26	6.97	-6.31	3.61	
10:55 am	58.97	2.01	5.79	1.28	
1:10 pm	24.28	7.84	0.09	-5.51	
2:30 pm	69.20	-13.37	1.54	0.15	
2:40 pm	0.80	-1.09	-10.74	-4.41	
3:25 pm	50.79	-9.81	9.94	-13.27	
4:20 pm	52.95	3.84	23.23	-0.39	
5:00 pm	97.93	0.06	28.09	-5.24	
Mean Difference Standard Deviation	49.65 31.03	-0.44 8.12	6.45 14.48	-2.97 5.68	
t calculated	4.525	-0.154	1.260	-1.480	
Conclusion Probability to	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	
Accept H _o (1-B)		0.97	0.85	0.80	

Note: n = 8, $t_{(0.025,7)} = 2.365$

 Average Stopped Delay Results For Stonex's Scenario (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

		Average Stopped Delay (sec)								
Time	Nort	thbound	Appro	oach	Southbound Approach					
of Day	Left	Turn	Through		Left Turn		Through			
	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.		
8:35 am	89.4	31.9	28.7	18.6	54.9	27.1	28.0	33.6		
8:45 am	57.0	32.9	27.0	22.0	54.1	26.7	27.6	30.0		
8:55 am	88.0	25.6	27.0	13.7	24.8	21.8	26.5	18.7		
9:15 am	67.1	32.6	24.5	12.8	43.5	28.2	23.3	19.1		
11:00 am	141.9	27.5	32.1	19.3	99.2	33.8	28.3	25.4		
11:10 am	127.0	77.6	27.3	19.2	48.3	34.2	26.6	20.9		
12:10 pm	135.7	99.9	34.8	20.5	117.6	38.8	30.6	28.7		
1:15 pm	142.9	78.3	33.9	20.9	108.2	36.6	28.2	30.4		
3:20 pm	114.0	62.1	32.8	20.9	77.0	35.2	29.1	22.8		
3:45 pm	114.7	47.9	37.8	30.1	56.7	59.0	31.6	29.4		
4:05 pm	60.8	94.0	40.2	27.9	95.4	51.2	34.8	32.2		
4:45 pm	78.2	74.1	38.4	34.2	69.6	44.6	30.3	30.6		
Mean Del.	101.4	57.0	32.0	21.7	70.8	36.4	28.7	26.8		
Std. Dev.	33.33	28.44	5.41	6.54	30.10	11.26	3.01	5.47		

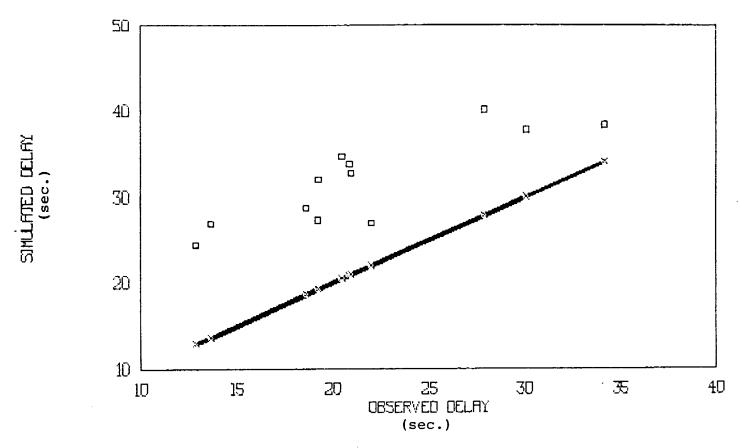




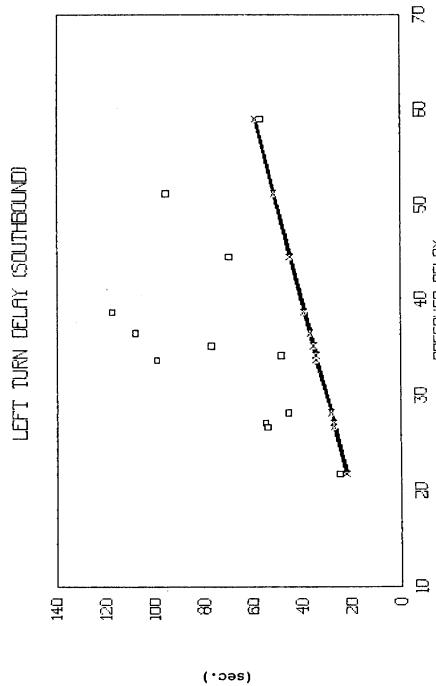
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THRU DELAY (NORTHBOUND)



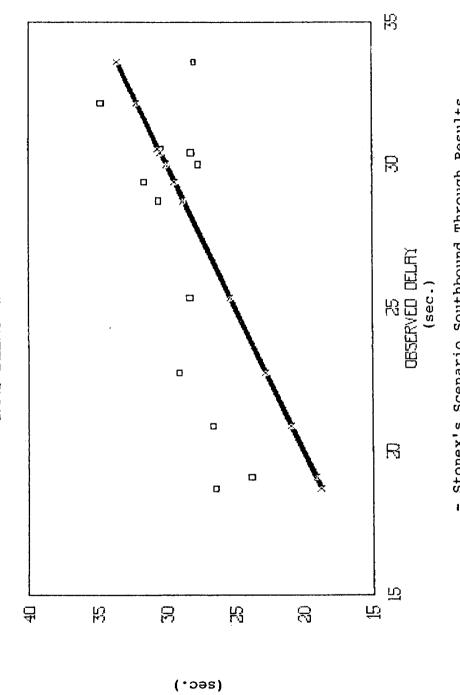
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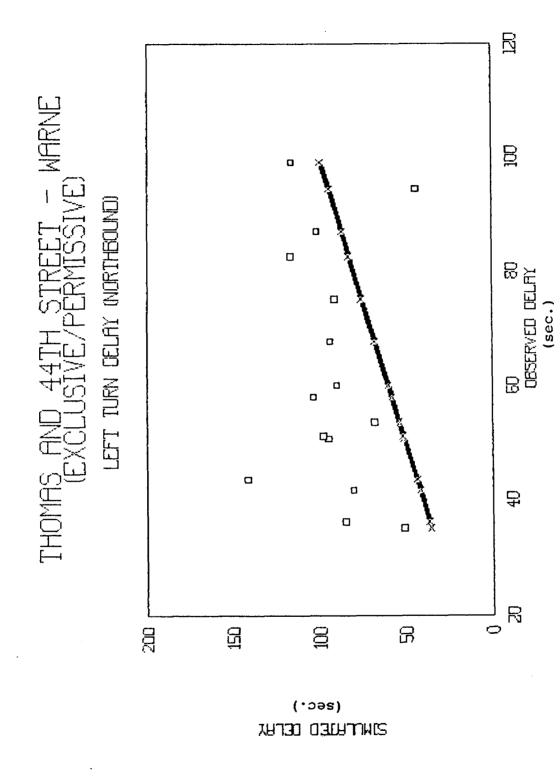
 Paired Data t-Test Results For Stonex's Scenario (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

mi	Difference Between Simulated and Observed Delay Results (sec)						
Time of Day	Northbound	d Approach	Southbound Approach				
	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through			
8:35 am	57.43	10.06	27.80	-5.63			
8:45 am	24.10	4.99	27.41	-2.39			
8:55 am	62.41	13.34	3.04	7.77			
9:15 am	34.46	11.63	15.34	4.23			
11:00 am	114.44	12.82	65.44	2.92			
11:10 am	49.35	8.04	14.04	5.74			
12:10 pm	35.85	14.27	78.87	1.85			
1:15 pm	64.60	13.00	71.60	-2.23			
3:20 pm	51.97	11.88	41.84	6.30			
3:45 pm	66.87	7.75	-2.26	2.20			
4:05 pm	-33.28	12.33	44.15	2.59			
4:45 pm	4.05	4.28	25.07	-0.23			
Mean Difference Standard Deviation	44.35 38.10	10.36 3.49	34.36 27.74	1.93 4.13			
t calculated	4.032	10.280	4.291	1.615			
Conclusion Probability to Accept H _o (1-B)	reject H _o	reject H _o	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o 0.71			

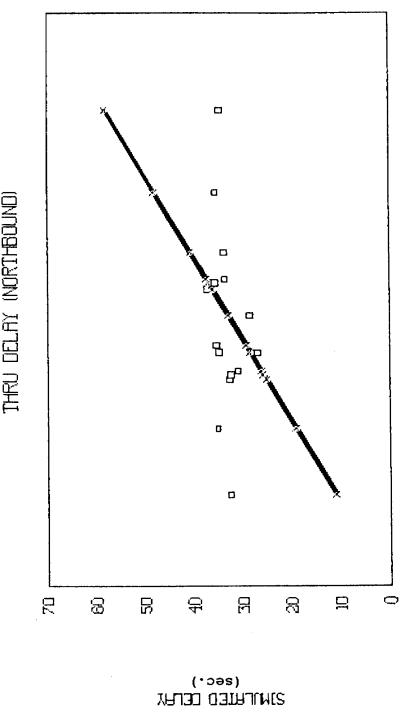
Note: n = 12, $t_{(0.025,11)} = 2.201$

 Average Stopped Delay Results For Warne's Scenario (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

	Average Stopped Delay (sec)							
Time of Day	Northbound Approach			Southbound Approach				
	Left Turn		Through		Left Turn		Through	
	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.
8:30 am	85.5	36.3	35.0	19.2	91.1	33.1	32.2	21.7
8:40 am	142.0	43.7	32.6	11.1	46.5	45.4	31.1	23.4
9:00 am	51.0	35.2	32.7	25.2	89.8	19.7	33.5	23.6
10:20 am	95.0	50.8	27.0	28.5	33.2	61.7	25.3	33.0
11:00 am	103.8	58.0	35.3	48.0	56.0	50.6	30.3	38.6
11:30 am	116.1	82.5	35.4	29.4	50.1	37.3	29.0	24.1
11:40 am	101.3	86.9	37.2	36.2	47.8	35.2	28.9	33.2
12:10 pm	115.8	99.0	33.9	40.8	47.3	51.5	27.9	39.9
12:20 pm	43.0	94.4	35.7	37.0	69.9	34.5	26.1	44.9
1:25 pm	90.8	75.1	33.6	37.4	43.1	39.6	27.5	35.7
1:55 pm	98.0	51.2	31.1	26.3	39.8	45.0	28.1	34.6
2:40 pm	90.3	60.1	32.5	25.8	56.7	33.1	30.3	33.5
4:15 pm	68.1	53.6	28.5	33.0	38.8	38.6	26.3	27.5
5:15 pm	80.4	41.8	34.6	58.1	104.3	45.9	34.1	39.3
5:25 pm	94.0	67.7	34.9	28.5	103.4	39.0	34.9	26.9
Mean Del.	91.7	62.4	33.3	32.3	61.2	40.7	29.7	32.0
Std. Dev.	25.89	21.63	2.84	11.85	25.12	10.23	3.10	7.37



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- Warne's Scenario Northbound Through Results

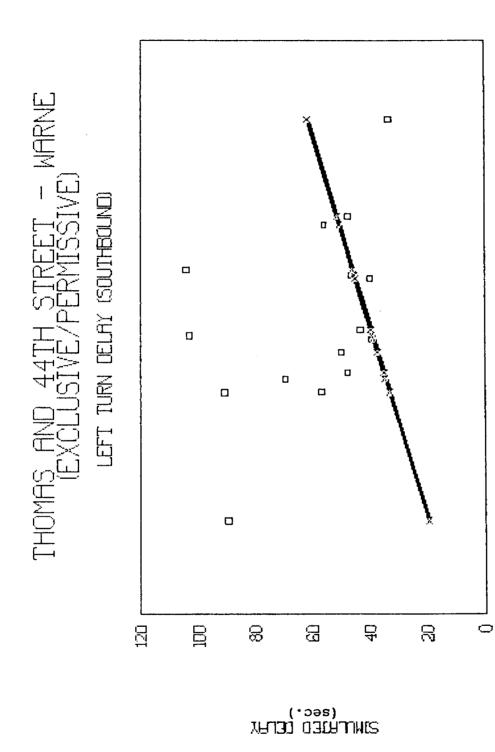
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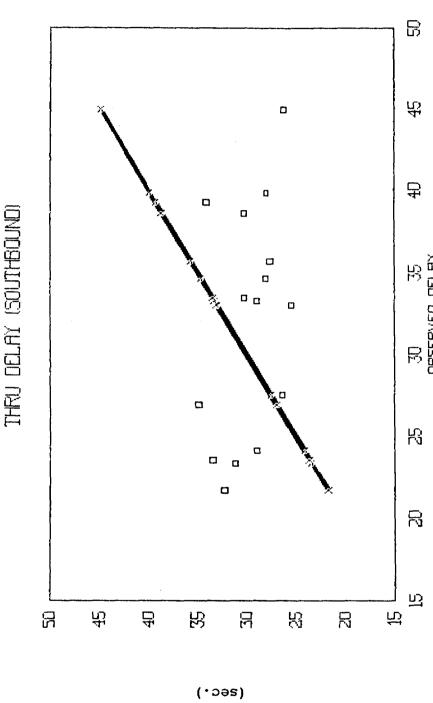
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 Paired Data t-Test Results For Warne's Scenario (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

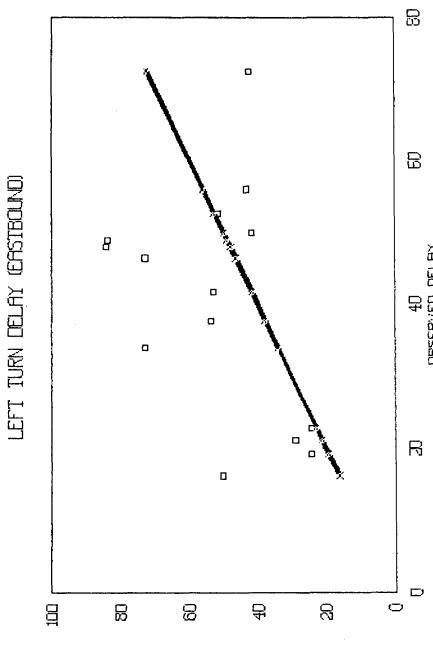
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of Day	Northbound	d Approach	Southbound	d Approach
	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through
8:30 am	49.17	15.86	57.98	10.50
8:40 am	98.36	21.51	1.19	7.72
9:00 am	15.83	7.53	70.15	9.89
10:20 am	44.16	-1.50	-28.43	-7.65
11:00 am	45.73	-12.68	5.39	-8.34
11:30 am	33.59	6.04	12.84	4.84
11:40 am	14.39	1.00	12.68	-4.30
12:10 pm	16.82	-6.90	-4.15	-11.91
12:20 pm	-51.38	-1.32	35.36	-18.81
1:25 pm	15.71	-3.84	3.52	-8.16
1:55 pm	46.81	4.84	-5.15	-6.56
2:40 pm	30.20	6.72	23.58	-3.19
4:15 pm	14.44	-4.44	0.21	-1.28
5:15 pm	38.68	-23.48	58.33	- 5.15
5:25 pm	26.29	6.34	64.37	7.97
Mean Difference Standard Deviation	29.25 32.20	1.05 11.40	20.52 30.98	-2.30 9.03
t calculated	3.518	0.355	2.566	-0.985
Conclusion	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o
Probability to Accept Ho (1-B)		0.95		0.87

Note: n = 15, $t_{(0.025,14)} = 2.145$

 Average Stopped Delay Results For Scottsdale and Thomas (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

	Average Stopped Delay (sec)							
Time	Eas	stbound	l Appro	oach	Westbound Approach			
of Day	Left	Turn	Thro	ough	Left	Turn	Thro	ough
	Sim.	Obs.	sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.
8:10 am	23.9	22.8	25.1	17.7	27.0	9.3	22.9	21.3
8:20 am	23.9	19.2	24.7	14.6	25.4	17.4	24.3	14.2
8:30 am	50.3	16.2	25.1	16.7	22.0	20.7	25.8	15.0
8:40 am	28.6	21.2	25.6	21.6	24.9	11.0	24.9	13.9
11:55 am	52.8	41.7	32.9	29.2	65.6	31.4	32.6	38.2
12:15 pm	42.5	72.4	31.0	31.2	35.4	30.5	28.1	42.1
1:35 pm	41.5	50.0	25.6	29.0	24.3	42.9	25.8	37.6
2:05 pm	73.1	34.0	32.7	32.3	65.0	67.9	34.3	34.2
3:05 pm	72.9	46.5	35.1	39.8	82.9	67.7	39.5	30.2
3:35 pm	51.4	52.7	35.0	37.8	78.6	41.3	35.9	38.1
3:45 pm	53.7	37.8	31.5	43.3	53.6	41.2	39.5	30.4
4:10 pm	82.7	48.0	37.6	47.2	43.9	41.9	41.7	35.5
4:30 pm	83.7	48.9	39.3	51.0	48.5	35.2	38.5	34.3
4:50 pm	43.3	56.0	41.1	46.2	76.0	43.0	37.3	34.1
Mean Del.	51.7	40.5	31.6	32.7	48.1	35.8	32.2	29.9
Std. Dev.	20.83	16.89	5.90	12.46	23.15	18.60	6.95	10.10

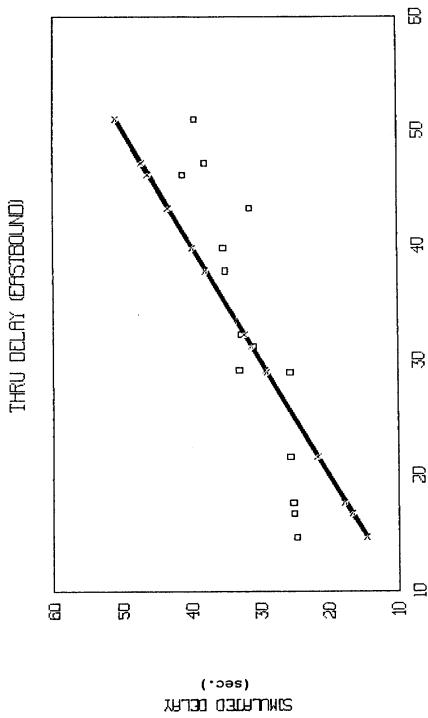




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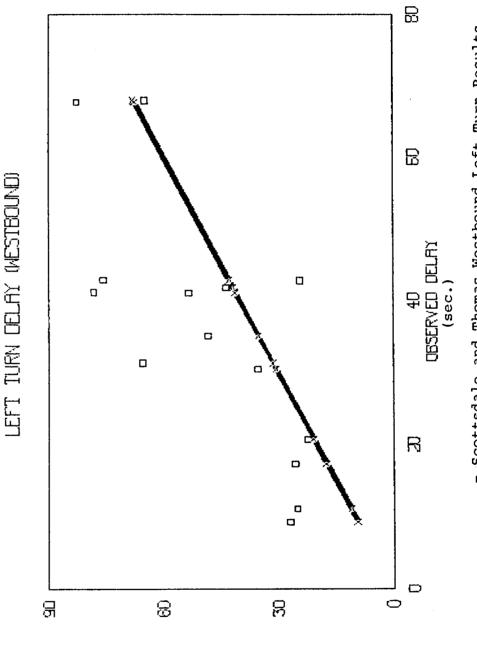
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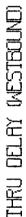


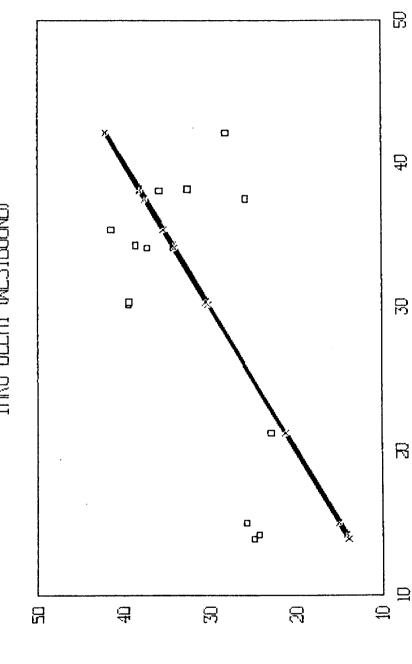


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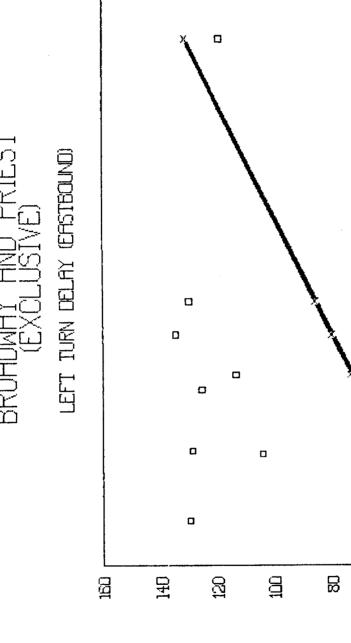
 Paired Data t-Test Results For Scottsdale and Thomas (Exclusive/Permissive Left Turns)

mi		Difference Between Simulated and Observed Delay Results (sec)					
Time of Da		Eastbound	Approach	Westbound Approach			
		Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through		
8:10	am	1.14	7.39	17.67	1.63		
8:20	am	4.71	10.05	8.03	10.15		
8:30	am	34.15	8.40	1.31	10.80		
8:40	am	7.40	3.95	13.84	11.02		
11:55	am	11.11	3.69	34.27	-5.60		
12:15	pm	-29.94	-0.23	4.89	-14.02		
1:35	pm	-8.53	-3.45	-18.54	-11.76		
2:05	pm	39.11	0.47	-2.92	0.18		
3:05	pm	26.44	-4.67	15.21	9.34		
3:35	pm	-1.24	-2.84	37.32	-2.21		
3:45	pm	15.97	-11.84	12.40	9.10		
4:10	рm	34.77	- 9.57	2.03	6.26		
4:30	pm	34.75	-11.71	13.30	4.21		
4:50	pm	-12.73	-5.02	33.04	3.16		
Mean Diff Standard De	erence viation	11.22 21.61	-1.10 7.48	12.27 15.93	2.30 8.53		
t calcul	ated	1.943	-0.550	2.884	1.011		
Conclusion Probability to		cannot reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o		
Accept Ho		0.51	0.93		0.91		

Note: n = 14, $t_{(0.025,13)} = 2.160$

- Average Stopped Delay Results For Broadway and Priest (Exclusive Left Turns)

	Average Stopped Delay (sec)							<u> </u>
Time	Eas	Eastbound Approach			Westbound Approa			oach
of Day	Left	Turn	Thro	ough	Left	Turn	Thro	ough
	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.
9:40 am	113.3	73.0	35.0	35.6	64.9	70.0	38.6	43.6
10:55 am	104.1	59.2	35.5	29.3	79.5	48.8	40.2	47.5
11:40 am	130.0	47.6	46.2	40.2	107.9	75.0	50.4	35.7
2:10 pm	129.1	59.7	37.2	28.7	97.0	60.0	42.5	49.1
2:30 pm	134.8	80.0	37.7	40.1	81.6	62.4	36.7	45.1
2:40 pm	118.7	131.4	37.8	38.0	105.9	75.7	41.4	42.6
3:45 pm	130.3	85.8	37.2	71.7	118.6	53.1	43.1	56.2
4:25 pm	125.7	70.4	38.3	49.3	109.8	56.5	41.1	54.2
Mean Del.	123.3	75.9	38.1	41.6	95.6	62.7	41.7	46.7
Std. Dev.	11.09	27.33	3.68	14.76	19.71	10.73	4.34	7.01



- Broadway and Priest Eastbound Left Turn Results

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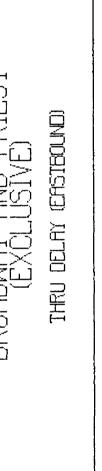
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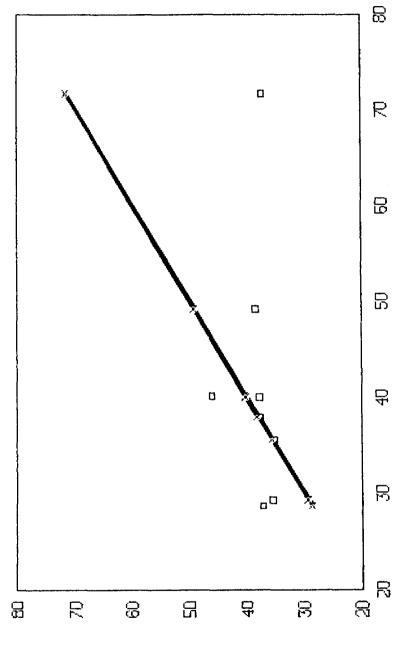
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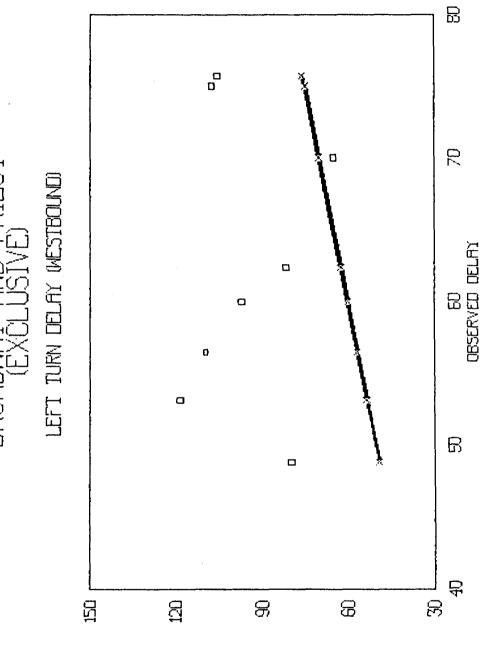
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- Broadway and Priest Eastbound Through Results

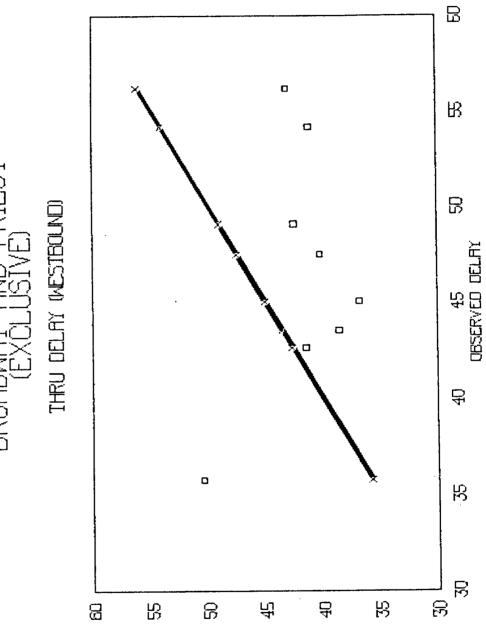
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- Broadway and Priest Westbound Left Turn Results

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- Broadway and Priest Westbound Through Results

SWLFTED DELAY (sec.)

- Paired Data t-Test Results For Broadway and Priest (Exclusive Left Turns)

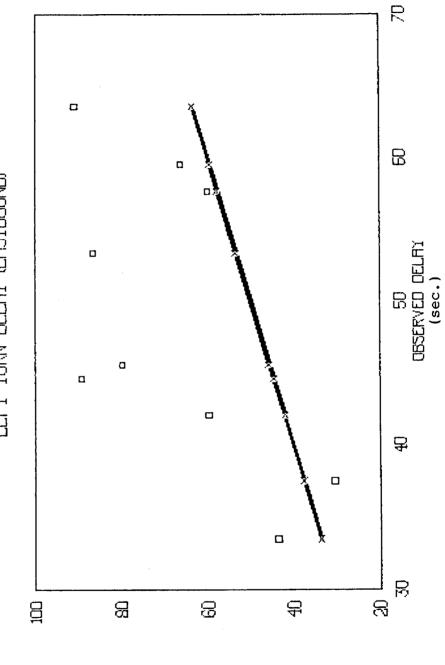
Time	Difference Between Simulated and Observed Delay Results (sec)					
of Day	Eastbound	d Approach	Westbound Approach			
	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through		
9:40 am	40.34	-0.60	-5.09	-4.99		
10:55 am	44.93	6.17	30.70	-7.34		
11:40 am	82.35	5.98	32.86	14.65		
2:10 pm	69.43	8.50	37.02	-6.63		
2:30 pm	54.77	-2.35	19.28	-8.32		
2:40 pm	-12.69	-0.25	30.15	-1.18		
3:45 pm	44.46	-34.51	65.45	-13.09		
4:25 pm	55.28	-10.97	53.30	-13.06		
Mean Difference Standard Deviation	47.36 29.96	-3.50 14.93	32.96 22.62	-5.00 9.48		
t calculated	4.470	-0.664	4.121	-1.490		
Conclusion Probability to	reject H _o		reject H _o	cannot reject H _o		
Accept Ho (1-B)		0.93		0.79		

Note: n = 8, $t_{(0.025,7)} = 2.365$

 Average Stopped Delay Results For Dobson and Main (Exclusive Left Turns)

		A	verage	Stopp	ed De	lay (s	sec)		
Time	Eas	Eastbound Approach				Westbound Approach			
of Day	Left	Turn	Thro	Through		Turn	Through		
	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	Sim.	Obs.	
8:30 am	30.5	37.5	24.4	24.5	29.6	27.9	20.2	22.9	
9:10 am	43.7	33.5	34.6	24.2	43.5	29.8	30.1	26.1	
10:30 am	59.8	57.6	40.5	29.9	59.8	47.7	38.0	31.2	
12:50 pm	89.3	44.6	45.2	39.2	84.4	69.8	37.1	35.1	
1:00 pm	91.0	63.5	45.3	43.0	80.8	68.7	39.5	35.5	
2:10 pm	59.6	42.1	41.1	35.8	62.3	40.5	37.2	36.7	
3:30 pm	66.2	59.5	47.4	38.5	76.6	54.1	38.6	28.0	
3:50 pm	86.8	53.3	62.9	38.2	76.4	53.0	40.0	36.5	
4:10 pm	80.0	45.6	64.6	36.3	67.8	38.8	38.3	32.6	
Mean Del.	67.4	48.6	45.1	34.4	64.6	47.8	35.5	31.6	
Std. Dev.	22.54	11.04	13.43	7.08	19.29	16.08	6.80	5.28	

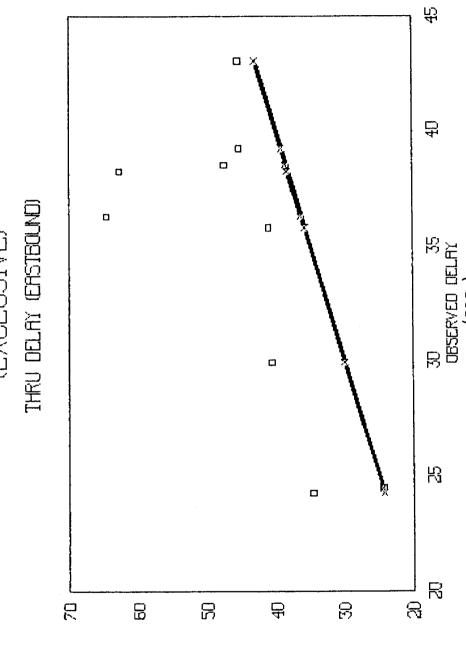
LEFT TURN DELAY (EASTBOUND)



- Dobson and Main Eastbound Left Turn Results

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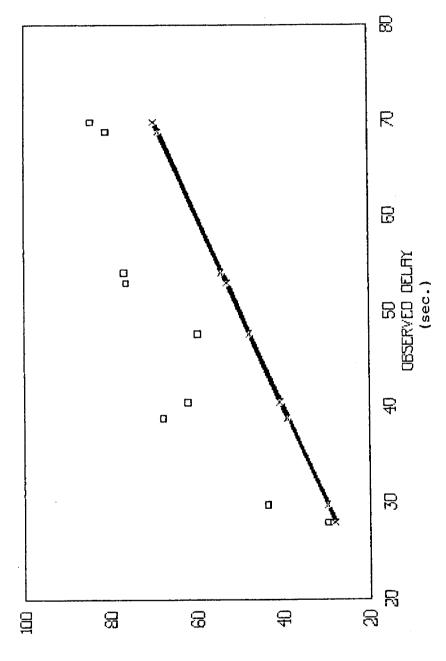


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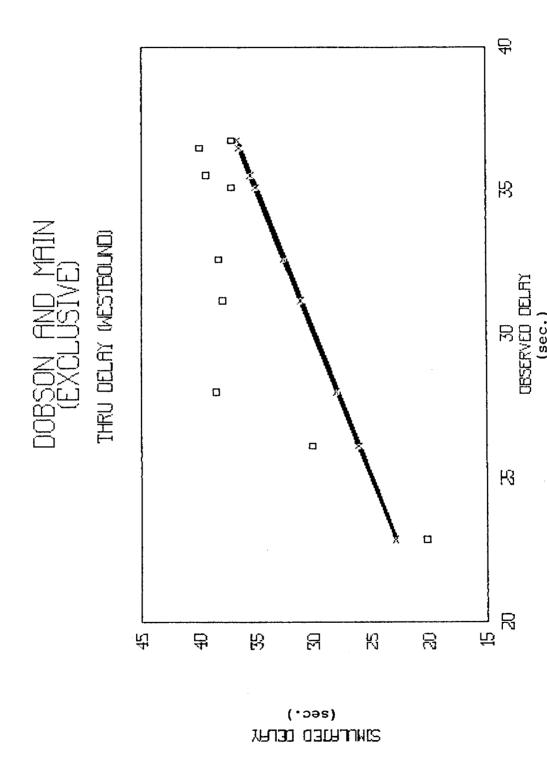
SIMULATED DELAY







- Dobson and Main Westbound Left Turn Results



- Dobson and Main Westbound Through Results

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- Paired Data t-Test Results For Dobson and Main (Exclusive Left Turns)

Time	Difference	Difference Between Simulated and Observed Delay Results (sec)				
of Day	Eastbound	d Approach	Westbound	Westbound Approach		
	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through		
8:30 am	-6.96	-0.11	1.65	-2.69		
9:10 am	10.23	10.39	13.72	4.02		
10:30 am	2.12	10.53	12.10	6.82		
12:50 pm	44.74	6.00	14.63	2.04		
1:00 pm	27.42	2.26	12.07	3.94		
2:10 pm	17.52	5.31	21.75	0.50		
3:30 pm	6.70	8.86	22.56	10.57		
3:50 pm	33.52	24.68	23.41	3.53		
4:10 pm	34.38	28.38	28.97	5.75		
Mean Difference Standard Deviation	18.85 17.21	10.70 9.69	16.76 8.20	3.83 3.79		
t calculated	3.286	3.313	6.130	3.030		
Conclusion Probability to Accept H _O (1-B)	reject H _o	reject H _o	reject H _o	reject H _o		

Note: n = 9, $t_{(0.025,8)} = 2.306$

APPENDIX D-3

THE REGRESSION ANALYSIS RESULTS OF THE COMBINED DATA FOR EXCLUSIVE/PERMISSIVE AND EXCLUSIVE INTERSECTIONS

- Regression Analysis Results For Exclusive/Permissive Left Turn Phasing

Parameters	Near Side	Approach	Far Side	Approach
ralameters	Left Turn Through		Left Turn	Through
Slope Value	0.627	0.310	0.483	0.426
Std Error of Slope	0.201	0.051	0.281	0.076
Intercept Value	50.98	24.06	38.91	18.45
R Squared	0.172	0.443	0.059	0.400
t calculated	-1.853	-13.596	-1.839	-7.548
Conclusion	cannot reject H _o	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	reject H _o
Probability to Accept H _o (1-B)	0.42		0.44	

Notes: H_0 : b_1 =1 (slope is 45°), H_a : b_1 =1 (slope is not 45°) n = 49, $t_{(0.025,47)} = 2.014$

- Regression Analysis Results For Exclusive Left Turn Phasing

Parameters	Near Side	Approach	Far Side	Approach
ralameters	Left Turn	Through	Left Turn	Through
Slope Value	0.863	0.134	1.122	0.369
Std Error of Slope Intercept Value	0.294 40.66	0.231 36.75	0.301 17.67	0.137
R Squared	0.365	0.022	0.481	0.327
t calculated	-0.465	-3.740	0.407	-4.612
Conclusion	cannot reject H _o	reject H _o	cannot reject H _o	reject H _o
Probability to Accept H _o (1-B)	0.94		0.95	

Notes: h_0 : b_1 =1 (slope is 45°), h_a : b_1 =1 (slope is not 45°) n = 17, $t_{(0.025, 15)} = 2.131$

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