

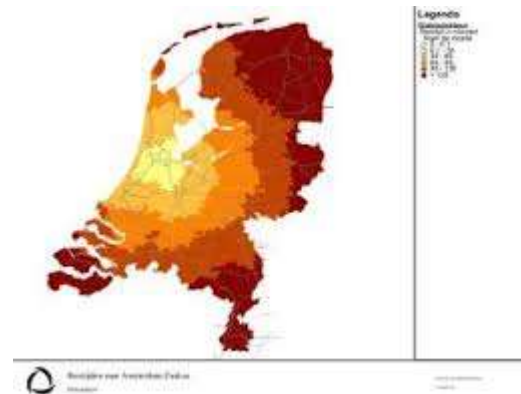
Reflections on EU accessibility policies

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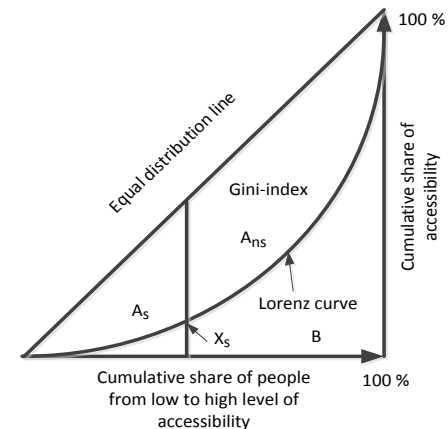
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Many positive aspects!

- Definition – ease of reaching opportunities. So:
Land use/activities/opportunities and transport system (and persons) (Geurs and van Wee, 2004), Hansen, 1959)
- Also public transport, not only private
- Spatial differences in accessibility



- Link with social exclusion (Van Wee and Geurs, 2011; Lucas, van Wee and Maat, 2015)
- Difference between accessibility and mobility
- Potential tension between accessibility and liveability/environment



- Importance of land-use planning and planning for sustainable modes
- Important role of ICT (teleworking, e-shopping) and trip options (Van Wee, Chorus and Geurs, 2013)
- Collaboration between travel providers
- Travellers' needs
- New forms of mobility management



Challenges



1. Limited attention to goods transport
2. How to evaluate (at least ex ante) accessibility effects of candidate policy options
3. How to value such evaluations, and included them in evaluation frameworks like Cost-Benefit Analysis, Multi-Criteria analysis?

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- 4. Perceptions of accessibility
E.g. Quality of route between origin
and destination, certainly for slow modes



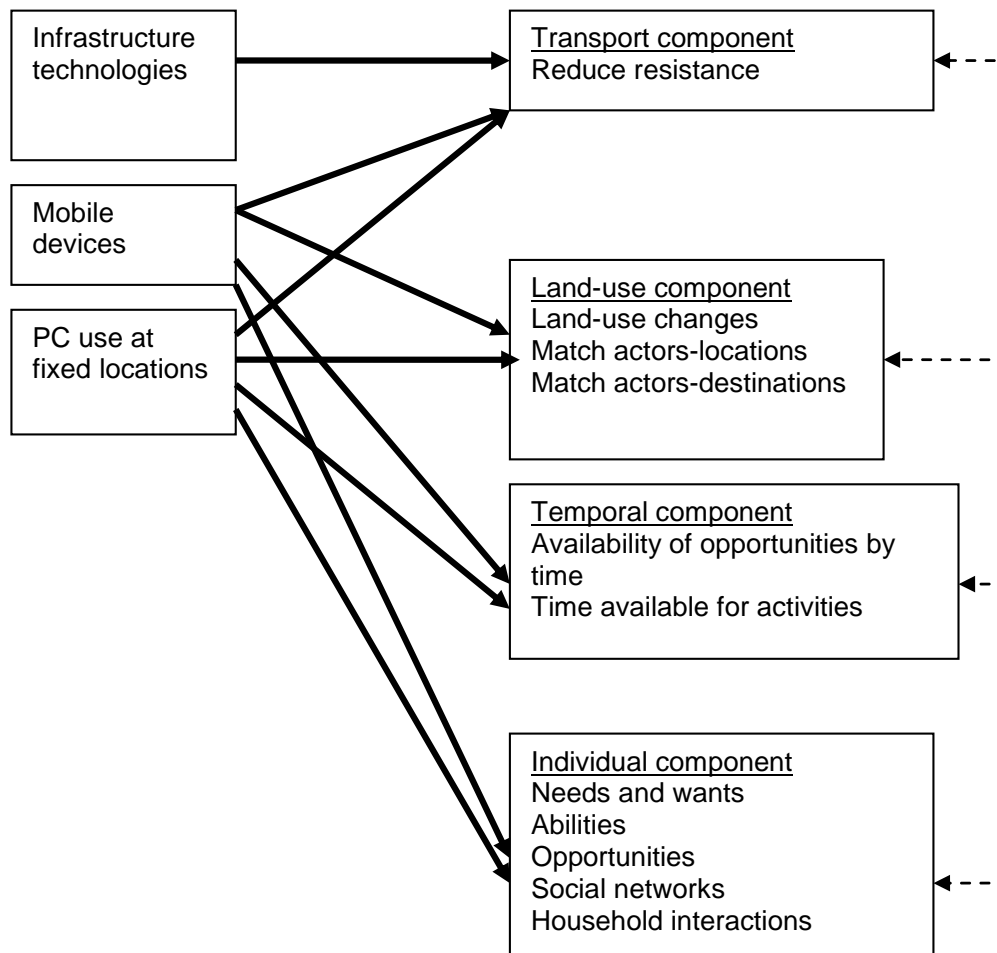
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How will the IT-revolution affect the users' travel behaviour?

Substitution, complementarity. Net effect: zero (or small increase), but still many effects

ICT as a pain killer: thanks to ICT we are less vulnerable for disruptions in the transport system (Van Wee, 2011)





Which is the role of sharing economy and of mobility as a service ?

- Poorly understood – hardly any literature
- Important question
- Importance of generations (cohorts), not only age
- High potential also in rural areas, reduce social exclusion



What is the role of the urban planners, are they in the front or the back seat? What is the role of JPI Urban Europe?

- Planners: should be in the front seat
- But: planning not *only* for accessibility
- Land use and transport planners: different cultures / traditions



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