

#### Part 2: Methodologies of Network Flow Analysis

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## Approaches in traffic flow analysis

- Euler (Macroscopic) vs Lagrange (Microscopic)
- Static (静的) vs Dynamic (動的)
- Normative (規範的) vs Descriptive (記述的)



#### Tools for traffic flow analysis

- Equilibrium flow analysis
  - Euler & Normative
    - Mostly Static, rarely dynamic
    - to focus on the "objective state" in NW flow derived by mathematical optimization
- Traffic simulation analysis
  - Euler/Lagrange & Descriptive
  - Dynamic
  - to focus on the "consequent state" in NW flow



## What is "equilibrium" (均衡)?

- Any system in the world finally becomes stable in nature
- Equilibrium is a state of balance, especially between opposing forces or influences
- Equilibrium is a state in which system don't have any motivation to change it (most stable state)



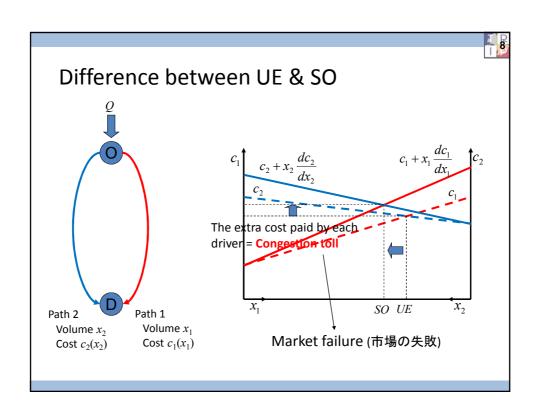
#### Behavioral criterion (行動規範) in a transport NW

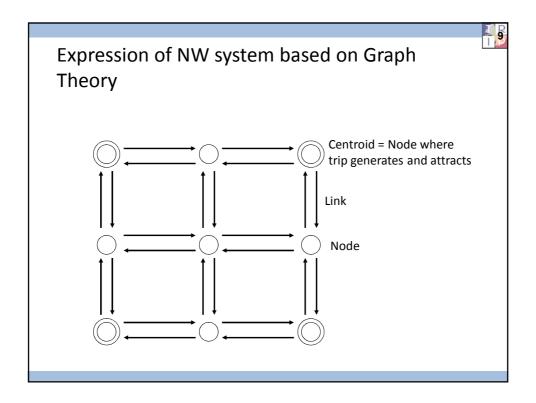
- Most travelers prefer...
- Fastest route
- Cheapest route
- Route with maximum utility
- Utility maximization (効用最大化)
- Generalized cost minimization (一般化費用最小化)



#### What is equilibrium in a transport NW

- Wardrop's rule (1952) (配分原則)
  - 1. For each OD pair, at user equilibrium (UE), the travel time on all used paths is equal and less than or equal to the travel time that would be experienced by a single vehicle on any unused path
  - 2. At system optimum (SO), the total travel time of all vehicles is smallest
- Balance between demand (需要) and supply (供給)

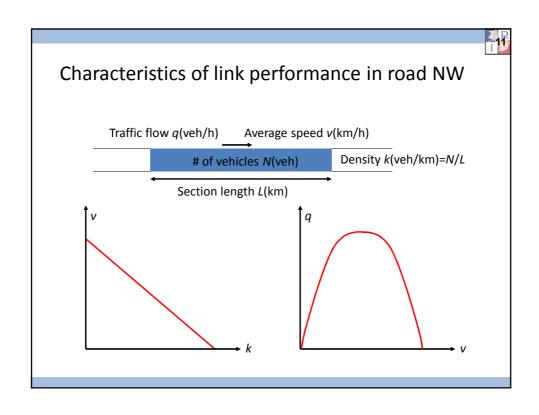


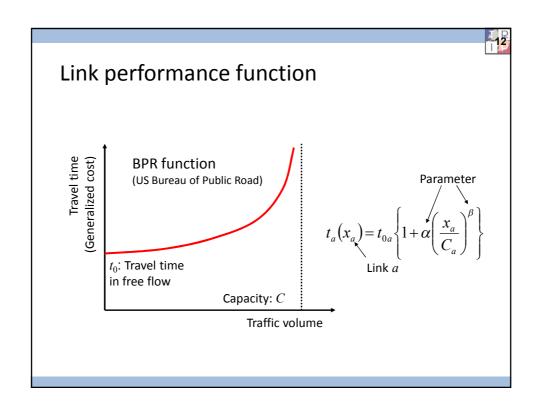


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# Dependency of travel cost to demand

- Flow dependent
  - Travel cost of a link is affected by demand level (=congestion)
- Flow independent
  - Travel cost of a link is never affected by demand level







#### Formulation of UE(利用者最適)

For each OD pair, at user equilibrium (UE), the travel time (or generalized cost) on all used paths is equal and less than or equal to the travel time that would be experienced by a single vehicle on any unused path

$$\begin{cases} c_k^{rs} = c_{rs} & \left( f_k^{rs} > 0 \right) \\ c_k^{rs} \geq c_{rs} & \left( f_k^{rs} = 0 \right) \end{cases}, \forall k \in K_{rs}, \forall rs \in \Omega$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_k^{rs} - Q_{rs} = 0$$

$$f_k^{rs} \ge 0$$

$$c_k^{rs} = \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} t_a(x_a)$$

$$x_a = \sum_{k \in K_{rs}, rs \in \Omega} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} f_k^{rs}$$

$$f_k^{rs} \ge 0$$

$$f_k^{rs} = 0$$

$$c_k^{rs} = \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} t_a(x_a)$$

$$x = \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} t_a(x_a)$$

OD rs, otherwise 0



#### Conversion to optimization problem: Beckmann (1956)

$$\min Z_{P} = \sum_{a \in A} \int_{0}^{x_{a}} t_{a}(w) dw$$

$$s.t. \quad \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_{k}^{rs} - Q_{rs} = 0 \quad , \forall k \in K_{rs} , \forall rs \in \Omega$$

$$f_{k}^{rs} \ge 0$$

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**Constrained Non-linear Optimization Problem** 



#### Lagrangian function

$$L(\mathbf{f}, \lambda) = Z_p(\mathbf{f}) - \sum_{rs \in \Omega} \lambda_{rs} \left( \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_k^{rs} - Q_{rs} \right)$$
Vector of  $f_k^{rs}$  Lagrange's multiplier

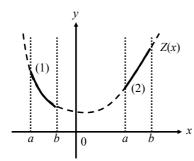
#### Kuhn-Tucker (optimal) condition

$$\begin{cases} (1) \ f_{k}^{rs} \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{f}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{*})}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{f}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{*})}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} \ge 0 \ , \forall k \in K_{rs} \ , \forall rs \in \Omega \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{f}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{*})}{\partial \lambda_{rs}} = 0 \ , \forall rs \in \Omega$$



#### **Kuhn-Tucker Condition (1)**



$$\frac{dZ(x^*)}{dx} = \sum_{n} h_n \frac{dg_n(x^*)}{dx}$$

$$h_n \ge 0 \quad \text{and} \quad h_n \{d_n - g_n(x^*)\} = 0$$

$$g_n(x^*) \ge d_n$$

$$\min Z(x) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \begin{cases} g_1(x) = x \ge a = d_1 \\ g_2(x) = -x \ge -b = d_2 \end{cases}$$

Primary optimum condition

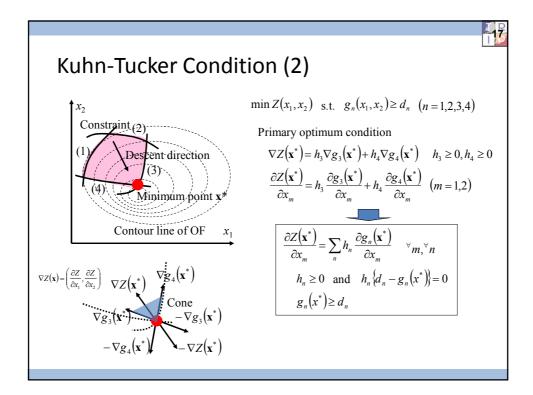
(1) 
$$x^* = b$$
  
 $\frac{dg_2(x^*)}{dx} = -1 < 0$  and  $\frac{dZ(x^*)}{dx} = p < 0$ 

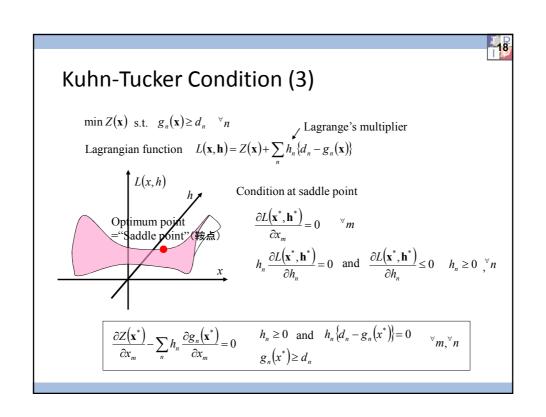
(2) 
$$x^* = a$$

$$\frac{dg_1(x^*)}{dx} = 1 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dZ(x^*)}{dx} = q > 0$$

$$\frac{dZ(x^*)}{dx} = h_n \frac{dg_n(x^*)}{dx} \qquad h_n: \text{ non-negative scalar}$$

Secondary optimum condition: Convex set







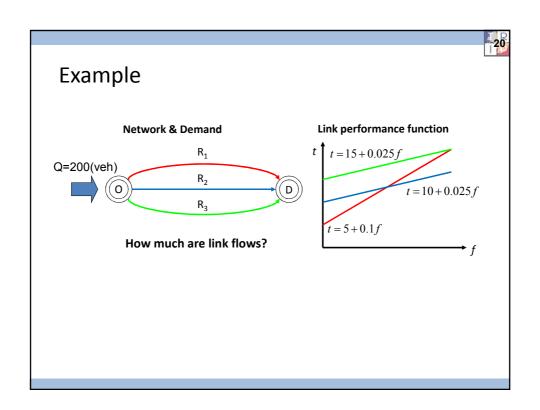
#### Solution of UE

From (1) 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial L}{\partial f_k^{rs}} = 0 & \left( f_k^{rs} \ge 0 \right) & \text{From (2)} & \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_k^{rs} - Q_{rs} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial f_k^{rs}} \ge 0 & \left( f_k^{rs} = 0 \right) & \end{cases}$$

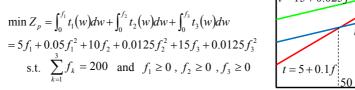
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial f_k^{rs}} = 0 & \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{rs}} f_k^{rs} - Q_{rs} \right) \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{rs}} f_k^{rs} - Q_{rs}$$

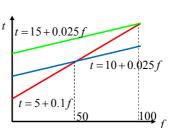
$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial L}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} \left\{ \sum_{a \in A} \int_{0}^{x_{a}} t_{a}(w) dw \right\} - \frac{\partial}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} \left\{ \sum_{rs \in \Omega} \lambda_{rs} \left( \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_{k}^{rs} - Q_{rs} \right) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{a \in A} \frac{d}{dx_{a}} \left( \int_{0}^{x_{a}} t_{a}(w) dw \right) \frac{\partial x_{a}}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} - \lambda_{rs} = \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} t_{a}(x_{a}) - \lambda_{rs} = c_{k}^{rs} - \lambda_{rs} \equiv c_{k}^{rs} - c_{rs} \\ &\text{where} \quad \frac{\partial x_{a}}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} \left( \sum_{rs \in \Omega} \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} f_{k}^{rs} \right) = \delta_{a,k}^{rs} \end{split}$$

$$\vdots \begin{cases}
c_k^{rs} = c_{rs} & (f_k^{rs} > 0) \\
c_k^{rs} \ge c_{rs} & (f_k^{rs} = 0)
\end{cases}$$









Lagrangian function

$$L(\mathbf{f}, \lambda) = 5f_1 + 0.05f_1^2 + 10f_2 + 0.0125f_2^2 + 15f_3 + 0.0125f_3^2 - \lambda \left(\sum_{k=1}^{3} f_k - 200\right)$$

Kuhn-Tucker condition

$$\begin{cases} 5 + 0.1f_1 = \lambda & (f_1 > 0) \\ 5 + 0.1f_1 \ge \lambda & (f_1 = 0) \end{cases} \begin{cases} 10 + 0.025f_2 = \lambda & (f_2 > 0) \\ 10 + 0.025f_2 \ge \lambda & (f_2 = 0) \end{cases} \begin{cases} 15 + 0.025f_3 = \lambda & (f_3 > 0) \\ 15 + 0.025f_3 \ge \lambda & (f_3 = 0) \end{cases}$$
$$\sum_{k=1}^{3} f_k = 200$$

Solution (by searching)

$$f_1 = 80, f_2 = 120, f_3 = 0, \lambda = 13$$

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#### Formulation of SO(システム最適)

 At system optimum (SO), the total travel time (or generalized cost) of all vehicles is smallest

$$\min Z_{s} = \sum_{a \in A} \int_{0}^{x_{a}} w t_{a}(w) dw$$

$$s.t. \quad \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_{k}^{rs} - Q_{rs} = 0 \quad , \forall k \in K_{rs} , \forall rs \in \Omega$$

$$f_{k}^{rs} \ge 0$$

$$c_{k}^{rs} = \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} t_{a}(x_{a})$$

$$x_{a} = \sum_{k \in K_{rs}, rs \in \Omega} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} f_{k}^{rs}$$



### Lagrangian function

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(2) \ \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{f}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{*})}{\partial \lambda_{rs}} = 0 , \forall rs \in \Omega
\end{cases}$$



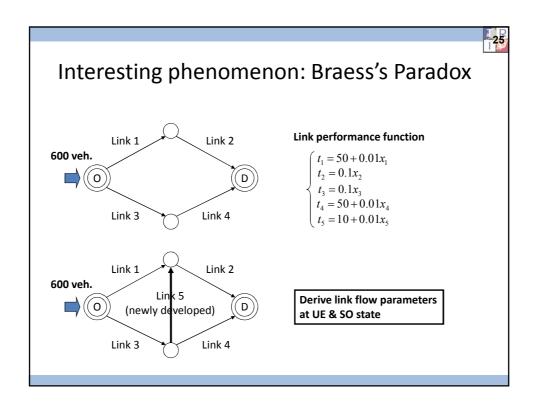
#### Solution of SO

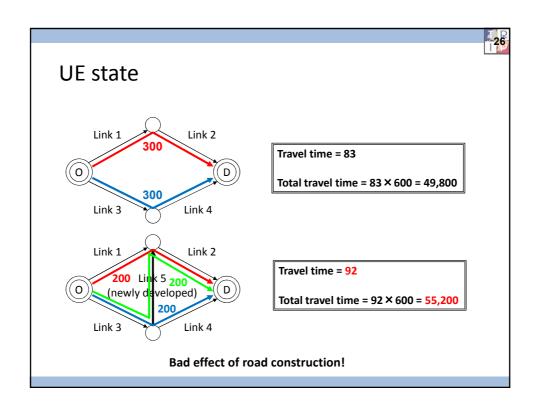
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$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial f_k^{rs}} = \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} \left\{ t_a(x_a) + \frac{dt_a(x)}{dw} \Big|_{w = x_a} \right\} - \lambda_{rs}$$

$$\therefore c_k^{rs} = \lambda_{rs} + \frac{dt_a(x)}{dw}\bigg|_{w=x_a}$$

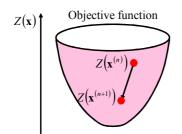
Extra travel time by one additional user







# General algorithm for solution of NLOP by computer



Method of steepest descent (最急降下法)

- (1) Find a direction to make the value of OJB function much smaller
- (2) Find a optimal step size in descending direction

$$\mathbf{x}^{(n+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(n)} + \alpha \left\{ \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}^{(n)} \right\}$$
$$\mathbf{y} = \nabla Z \left( \mathbf{x}^{(n)} \right)$$



Frank-Wolfe Method: How to find descending direction?

$$\mathbf{x}^{(n+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(n)} + \alpha \left\{ \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}^{(n)} \right\}$$

$$Z(\mathbf{y}) \cong Z'(\mathbf{y}) = Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) + \nabla Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}^{(n)}) \quad \text{Linear approximation}$$

$$= Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) + \sum_{a \in A} \left( y_a - x_a^{(n)} \right) \frac{\partial Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})}{\partial x_a^{(n)}} = Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) + \sum_{a \in A} \left( y_a - x_a^{(n)} \right)_a \left( x_a^{(n)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) - \sum_{a \in A} x_a^{(n)} t_a \left( x_a^{(n)} \right)}{Constant} + \sum_{a \in A} y_a t_a \left( x_a^{(n)} \right)$$



Calculate **y** minimizing total travel time in condition that  $x_a = x_a^{(n)}$ All-or-nothing assignment of all OD volume to the shortest path when  $x_a = x_a^{(n)}$ Minimized **y** gives the steepest descent of  $\nabla Z(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})$ 

#Easy computing

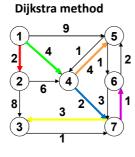


## Frank-Wolfe Method: Algorithm

- **Step0** Set initial link traffic flow  $x_a^{(1)}$  by all-or-nothing assignment in condition of  $t_a(0)$ , and set iteration number n=1
- **Step1** Calculate  $t_a^{(n)}$  by link performance function
- **Step2** Calculate  $y_a^{(n)}$ , which is link traffic flow based on all-or-nothing assignment to the shortest path in condition of  $t_a^{(n)}$ , and calculate descending direction vector  $d_a^{(n)} = y_a^{(n)} x_a^{(n)}$
- **Step3** Find step size  $\zeta^{(n)}$  to minimize  $Z^{(n+1)}$  by non-linear line searching  $x_a^{(n+1)} = x_a^{(n)} + \zeta^{(n)} d_a^{(n)}$  $Z^{(n+1)} = \sum_{a \in A} \int_0^{x_a^{(n+1)}} t_a(w) dw$
- **Step4** Calculate  $x_a^{(n+1)}$  using  $\zeta^{(n)}$
- **Step5** If  $x_a^{(n+1)}$  is close to  $x_a^{(n)}$ ,  $x_a^{(n+1)}$  is the solution If not, back to Step1  $n \rightarrow n+1$



#### Shortest path searching (最短経路探索) algorithm



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	3	2	3,4	0	2	10	4	9	8	8	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	4
	4	4	5,7	0	2	10	4	8	8	6	0	1	2	1	4	0	4	7
	5	7	3,6	0	2	9	4	8	7	6	0	1	7	1	4	7	4	6
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	7	5	4,6	0	2	9	4	8	7	6	0	1	7	1	4	7	4	3



# Stochastic user equilibrium (SUE) (確率的利用者均衡)

- · Limitations of the assumption of UE
  - Any user do not have a full information (完全情報) of all link costs in the network
- Introduction of uncertainty (不確実性) of link costs
  - The link cost perceived by user varies stochastically
  - User chooses a path with minimum utility (cost)
- At stochastic user equilibrium (SUE), all travelers believe that they cannot shorten their OD travel time (or generalized cost) by transferring to any different path



#### Formulation of SUE(1)

Path utility: 
$$U_k^{rs} = -c_k^{rs} + \xi_k^{rs}$$
,  $c_k^{rs} = \sum_{a \in A} t_a \delta_{a,k}^{rs}$   
Error term

Choice probability of path k of OD rs (Random utility theory)

$$P_k^{rs} = \Pr \left[ U_k^{rs} \ge \max_{k \neq k} \left( U_{k'}^{rs} \right) \right] = \Pr \left[ c_k^{rs} - \xi_k^{rs} \ge \max_{k \neq k} \left( c_{k'}^{rs} - \xi_{k'}^{rs} \right) \right]$$

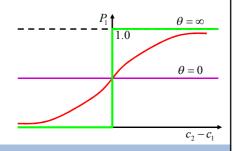
Choice probability if error term is determined by Weibul distribution  $W(0,\theta)$ 

$$P_k^{rs} = \frac{\exp(-\theta c_k^{rs})}{\sum_{k' \in K_{rs}} \exp(-\theta c_{k'}^{rs})}$$

Expected path & link flow

$$E(f_k^{rs}) = Q_{rs} P_k^{rs}$$

$$E(x_a) = \sum_{rs \in \Omega} \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} E(f_k^{rs}) \delta_{a,k}^{rs}$$





# Formulation of SUE(2)

#### **Optimization problem**

$$\min Z(\mathbf{f}) = \sum_{a \in A} \int_{0}^{x_{a}} t_{a}(w) dw - \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{rs \in \Omega} Q_{rs} H_{rs}(\mathbf{f}^{rs})$$
Entropy term:  $H_{rs}(\mathbf{f}^{rs}) = -\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} P_{k}^{rs} \ln P_{k}^{rs} = -\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} \frac{f_{k}^{rs}}{Q_{rs}} \ln \frac{f_{k}^{rs}}{Q_{rs}}$ 
s.t.  $\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_{k}^{rs} - Q_{rs} = 0$ ,  $x_{a} = \sum_{k \in K_{rs}, rs \in \Omega} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} f_{k}^{rs}$ ,  $f_{k}^{rs} \geq 0$ 



#### Solution of SUE

Lagrangian function

$$L(\mathbf{f}, \lambda) = Z(\mathbf{f}) - \sum_{rs \in \Omega} \lambda_{rs} \left[ \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_k^{rs} - Q_{rs} \right], \ f_k^{rs} \ge 0$$

Kuhn-Tucker condition

$$f_{k}^{rs} \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{f}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{*})}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{f}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{*})}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} \ge 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial f_{k}^{rs}} = c_{k}^{rs} - \lambda_{rs} - \frac{1}{\theta} \left( \ln f_{k}^{rs} + 1 - \ln Q_{rs} \right) = 0 \implies f_{k}^{rs} = Q_{rs} \exp\left(-\theta c_{k}^{rs}\right) \exp\left(\theta \lambda_{rs} - 1\right)$$

$$Q_{rs} = \sum\nolimits_{k \in K_{rs}} f_k^{rs} = Q_{rs} \exp(\theta \lambda_{rs} - 1) \sum\nolimits_{k \in K_{rs}} \exp(-\theta c_k^{rs})$$

$$\therefore \exp(\theta \lambda_{rs} - 1) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} \exp(-\theta c_k^{rs})}$$

$$\therefore f_k^{rs} = Q_{rs} \frac{\exp(-\theta c_k^{rs})}{\sum_{k \in K_-} \exp(-\theta c_k^{rs})}$$



#### Meaning of entropy term

$$H_{rs}(\mathbf{f}^{rs}) = -\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} P_k^{rs} \ln P_k^{rs} = -\sum_{k \in K_{rs}} \frac{f_k^{rs}}{Q_{rs}} \ln \frac{f_k^{rs}}{Q_{rs}}$$

$$\max H_{rs}(\mathbf{f}^{rs}) \to f_1^{rs} = \dots = f_k^{rs} = \dots = f_K^{rs} = \frac{Q_{rs}}{K}$$

$$\min H_{rs}(\mathbf{f}^{rs}) \to f_k^{rs} = Q_{rs}, f_1^{rs} = \dots = f_K^{rs} = 0$$

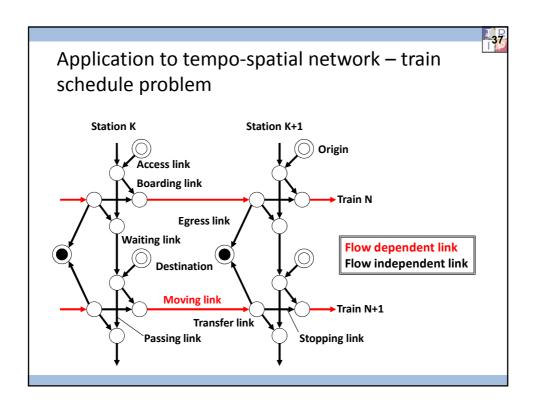
#### **Entropy maximization = Increasing evenness**

**SUE** = minimizing travel time considering unevenness



#### Consideration of dynamic aspect

- Dynamic problem: OD volume and link flow are expressed by a function of time t
- Dynamic System Optimum (DSO)
  - Total travel time (or generalized cost) of all vehicles in focused time duration is smallest
- Dynamic User Optimum (DUO)
  - All travelers choose the path with smallest travel time (or generalized cost) instantaneously at focused time
- Dynamic User Equilibrium (DUE)
  - All travelers choose the path with smallest travel time (or generalized cost)



# Formulation (UE)

$$\begin{aligned} \min Z_{P} &= \sum_{a \in A} \int_{0}^{x_{a}} t_{a}(w) dw \\ s.t. &\quad \sum_{k \in K_{rs}} f_{k}^{rs} - Q_{rs} = 0, \forall k \in K_{rs}, \forall rs \in \Omega \\ f_{k}^{rs} &\geq 0 \\ c_{k}^{rs} &= \sum_{a \in A} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} t_{a}(x_{a}) \\ x_{a} &= \sum_{k \in K_{rs}, rs \in \Omega} \delta_{a,k}^{rs} f_{k}^{rs} \end{aligned}$$

**Link performance function** Travel time **Moving link:**  $t_a(w) = T_a \left(1 + \lambda \frac{w}{\mu C - w}\right)$  = Congestion disutility **Waiting link:**  $t_a(w) = \alpha W_a$  Train capacity **Transfer link:**  $t_a(w) = \beta F_a$  Waiting time

Transfer time