



Bridging Decisions and Destinations:

Advanced Computational Models for Household Decision-Making

in Land Use and Transportation



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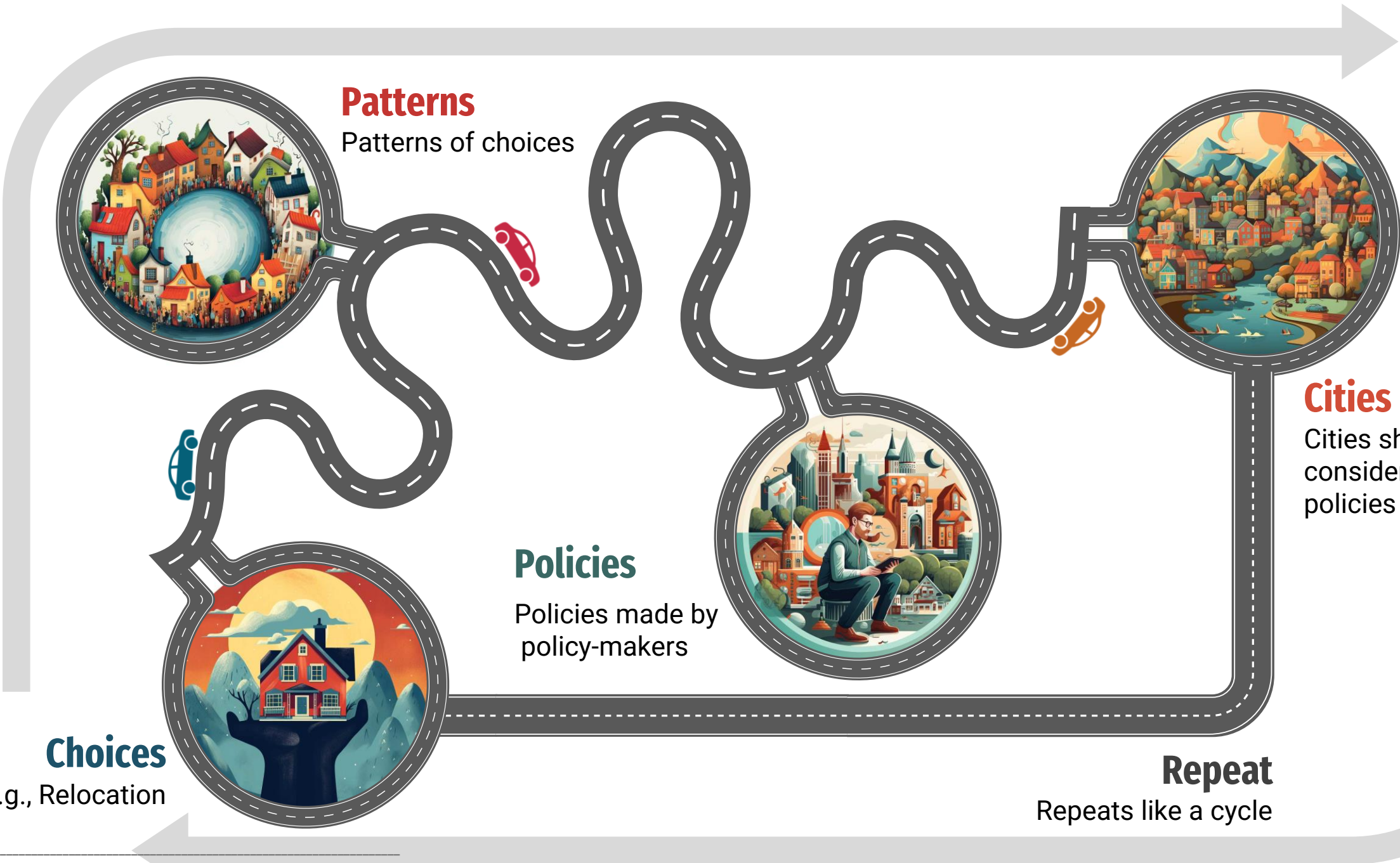
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3,200 daily home relocations in **Australia**
1.14 million Australians move house annually

*ABS data 2019-2020





Chain of Positive or Negative Effects





Need for sophisticated mathematical modelling techniques

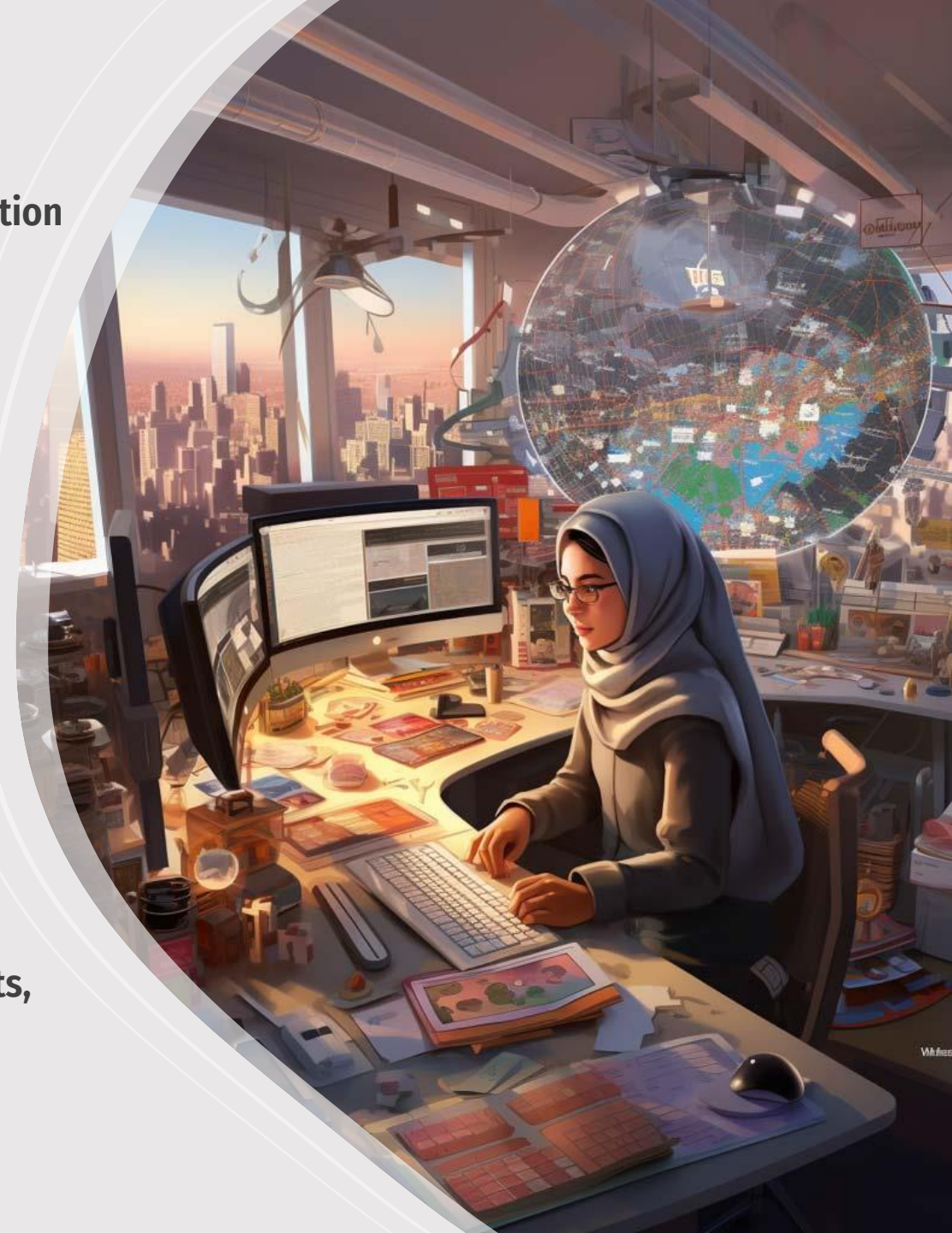
Aim1 Advancement and comparative analysis of residential relocation models

Aim2 Dynamic modelling of household relocation decisions

Aim3 Socio-demographic, economic, and affordability impacts on relocation choices

Aim4 Interrelation of residential relocation with major life events

Aim5 Transport-related features, urban and environmental impacts, and sustainability in relocation



Defining projects

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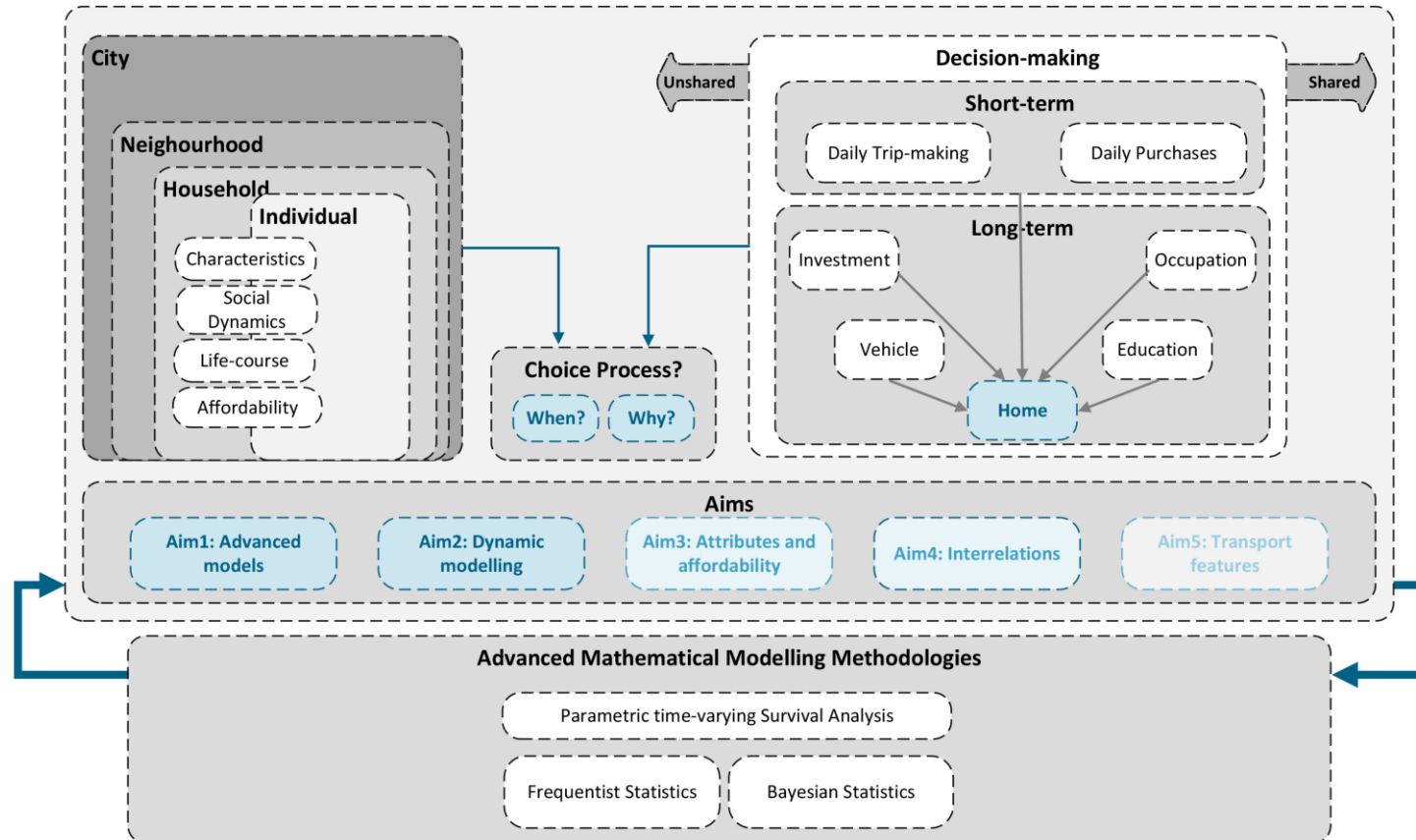
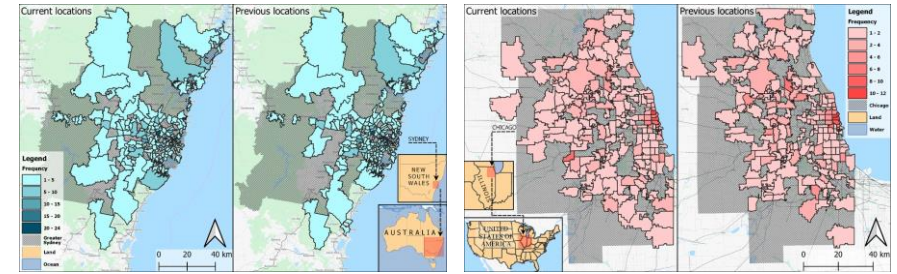
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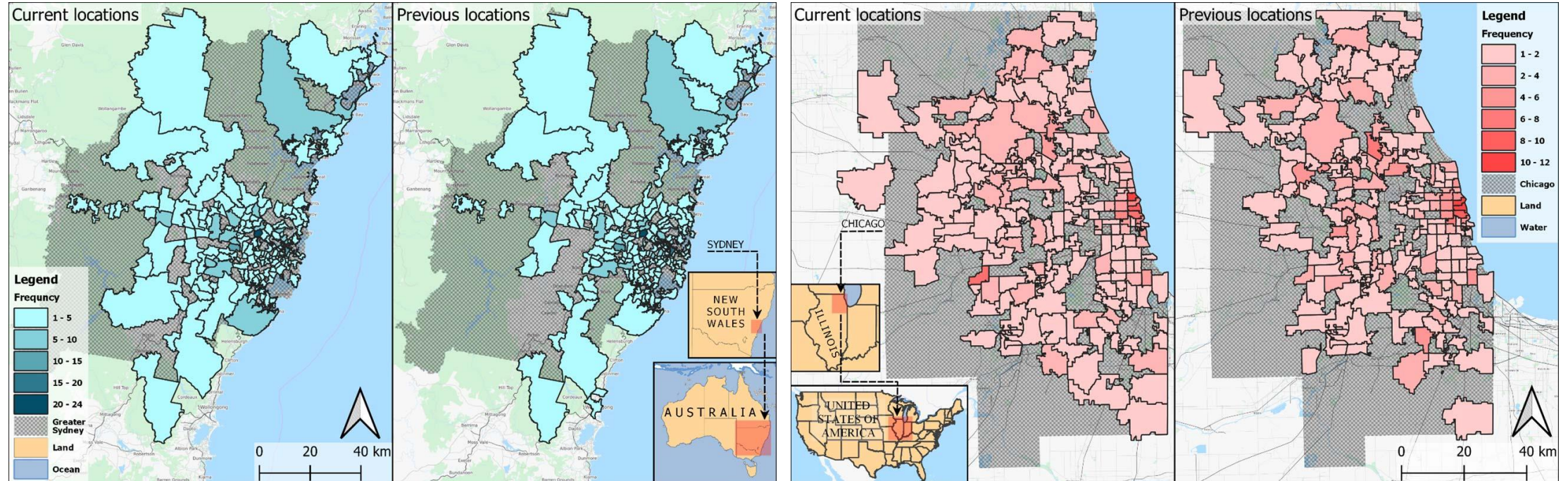
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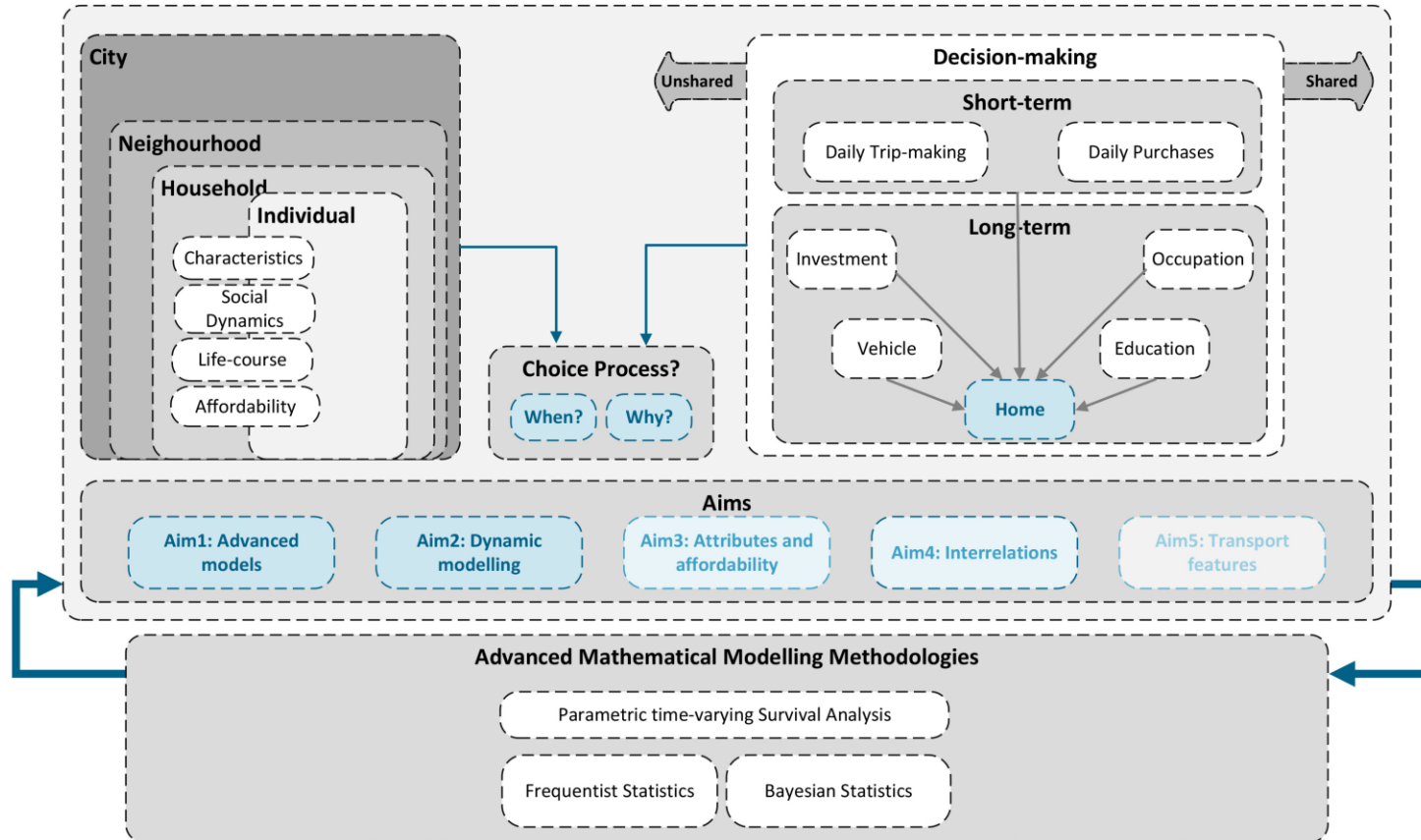
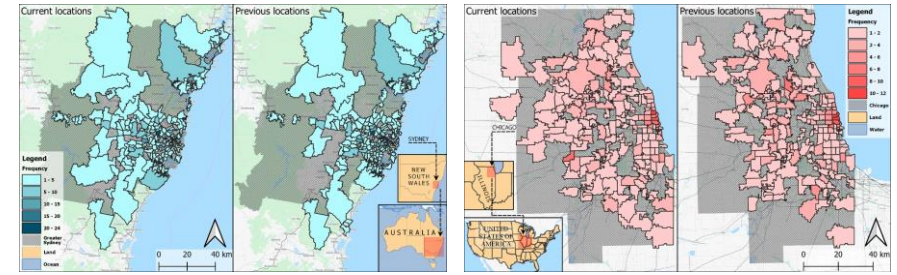


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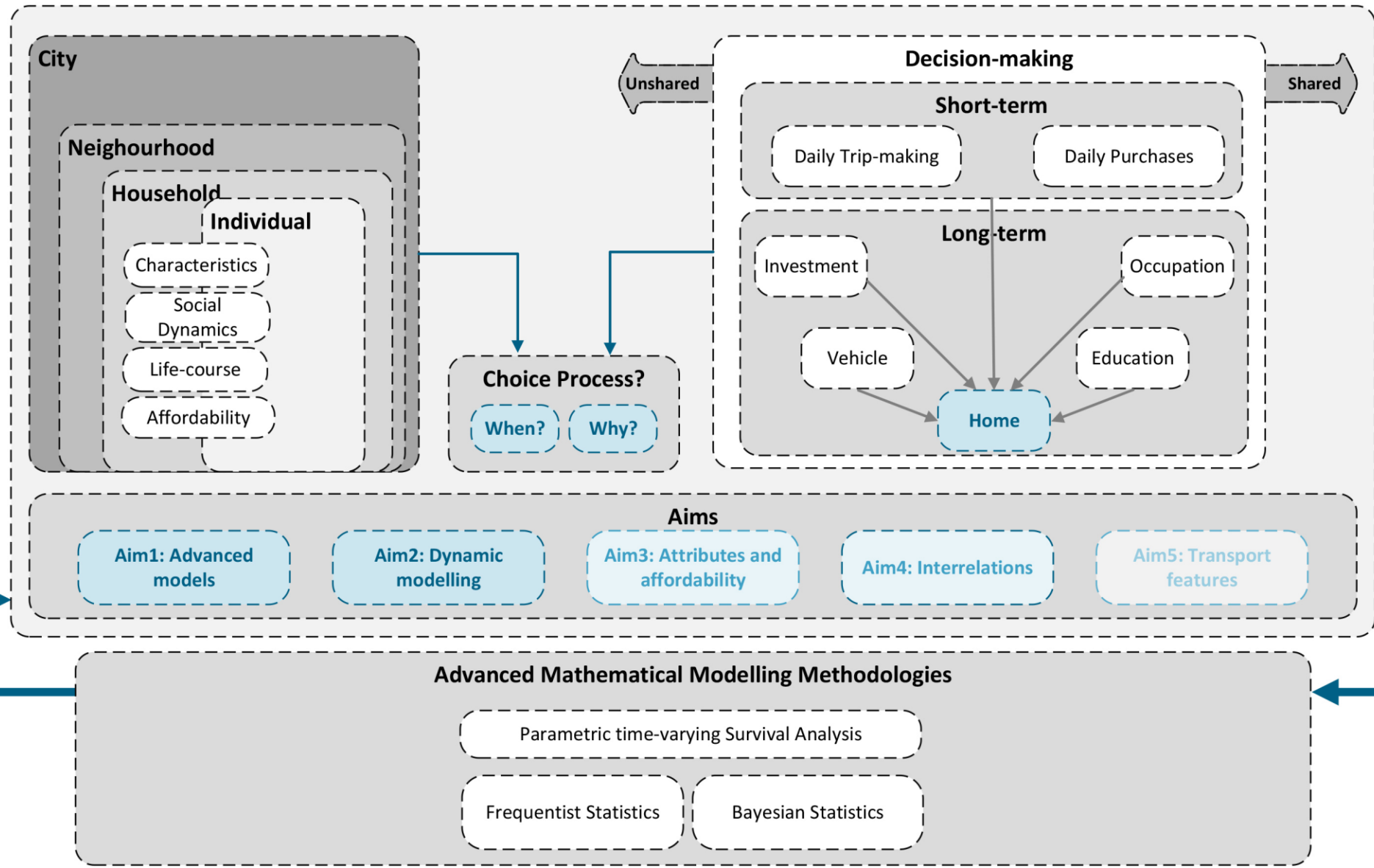


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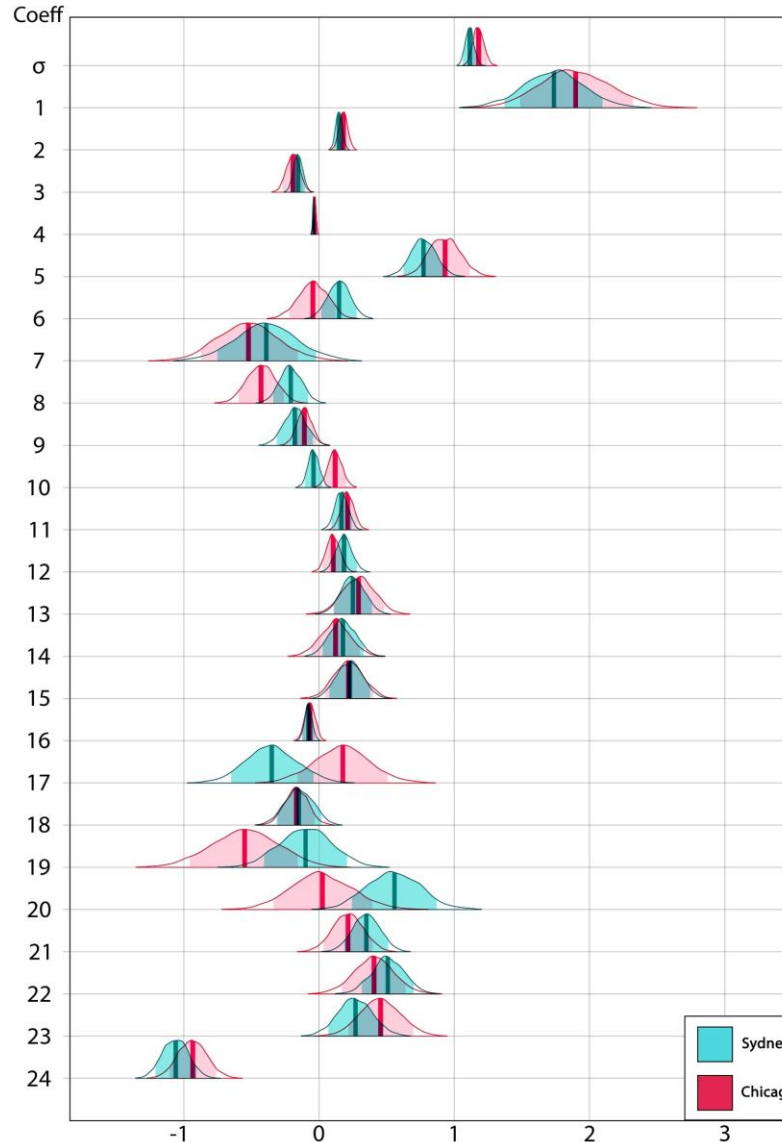
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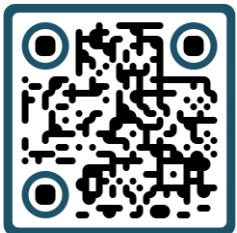
- Bayesian Vs Frequentist
- Cross-City comparison
- Dynamic -> Time-varying covariate

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Sydney		Chicago	
Mean	S.D	Mean	S.D
1.10	0.04	1.15	0.04
1.62	0.26	1.72	0.30
0.15	0.03	0.19	0.04
-0.15	0.04	-0.19	0.06
-0.04	0.01	-0.03	0.01
0.78	0.11	0.92	0.13
0.17	0.10	-0.02	0.13
-0.31	0.27	-0.43	0.26
-0.19	0.10	-0.38	0.13
-0.17	0.10	-0.10	0.07
-0.04	0.05	0.12	0.06
0.17	0.06	0.21	0.06
0.18	0.07	0.11	0.06
0.26	0.11	0.29	0.14
0.19	0.11	0.13	0.14
0.23	0.11	0.22	0.13
-0.08	0.03	-0.06	0.05
-0.30	0.23	0.21	0.25
-0.13	0.12	-0.15	0.10
-0.05	0.23	-0.44	0.28
0.56	0.24	0.06	0.27
0.34	0.12	0.21	0.14
0.51	0.15	0.41	0.18
0.28	0.16	0.46	0.18
-1.06	0.11	-0.96	0.13



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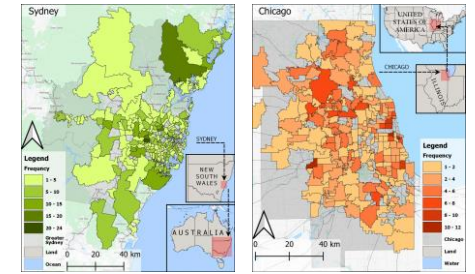
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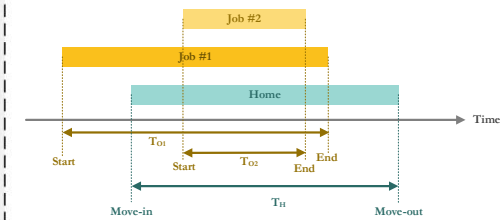
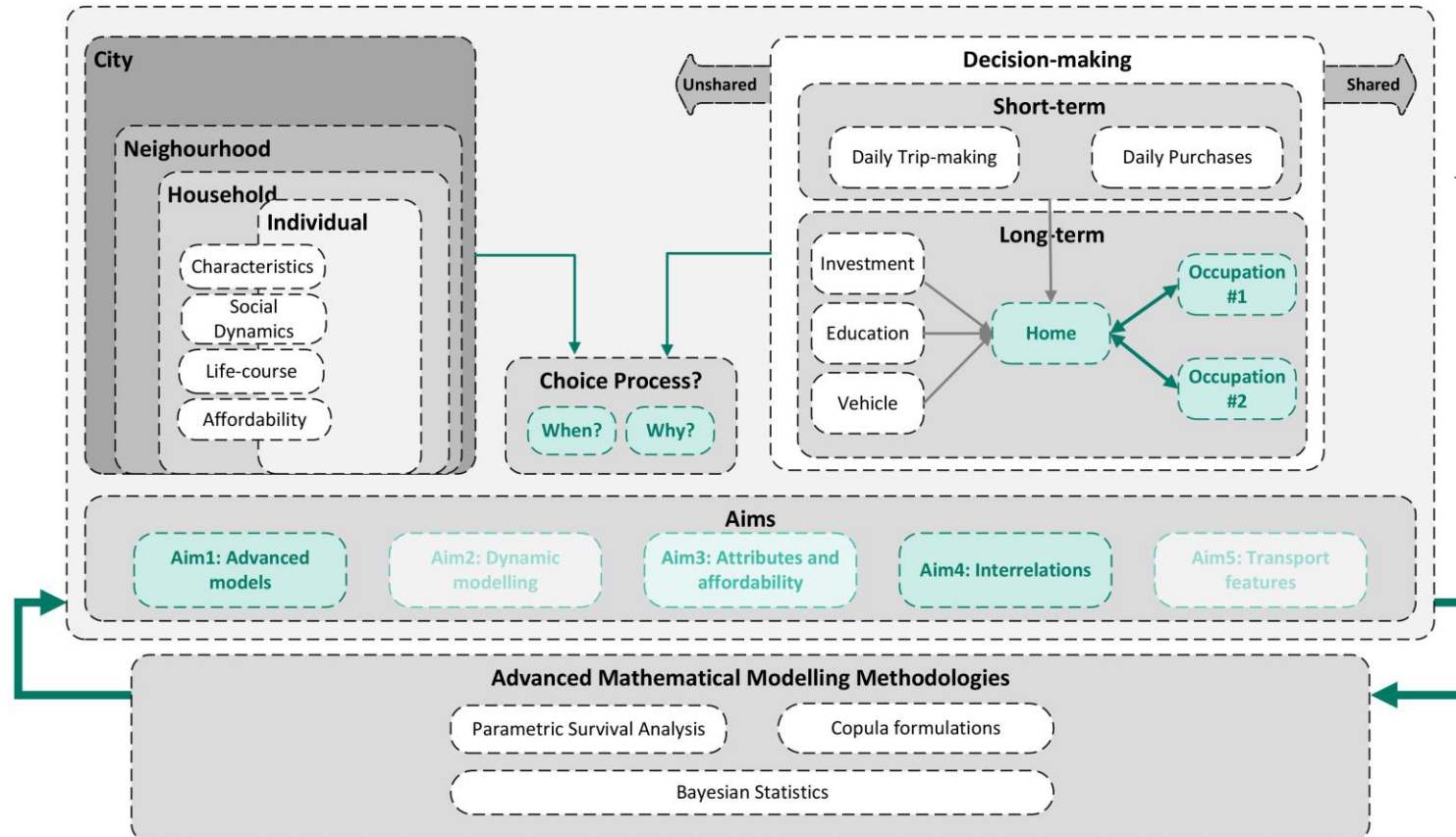
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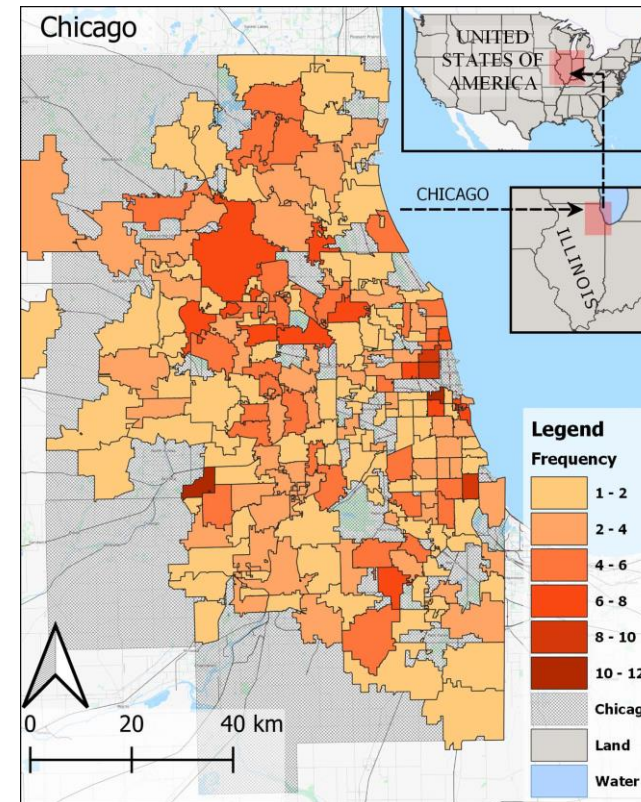
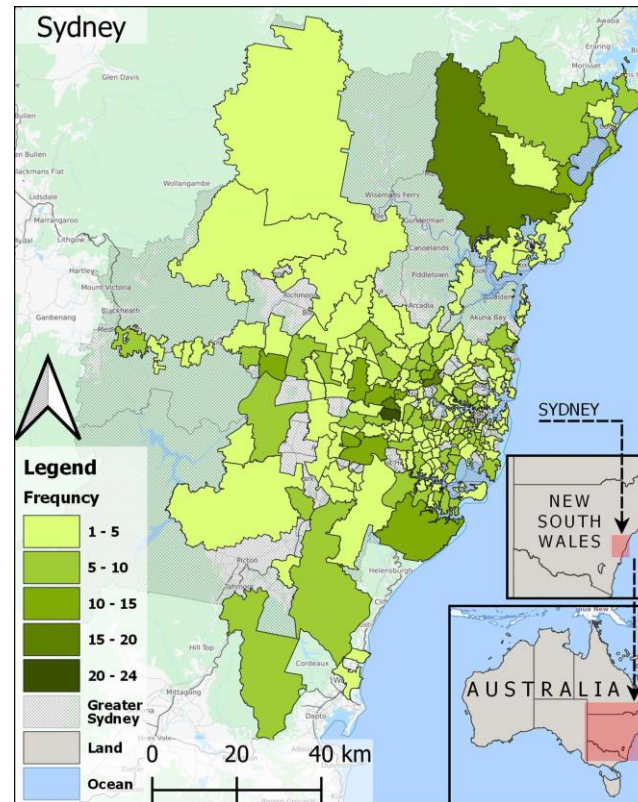
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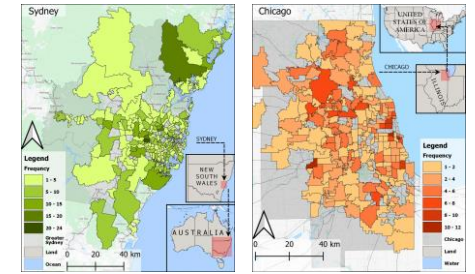
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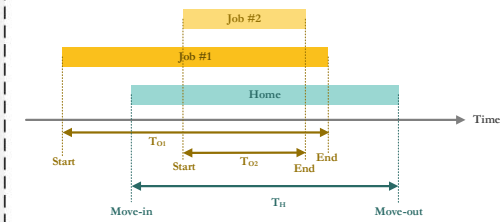
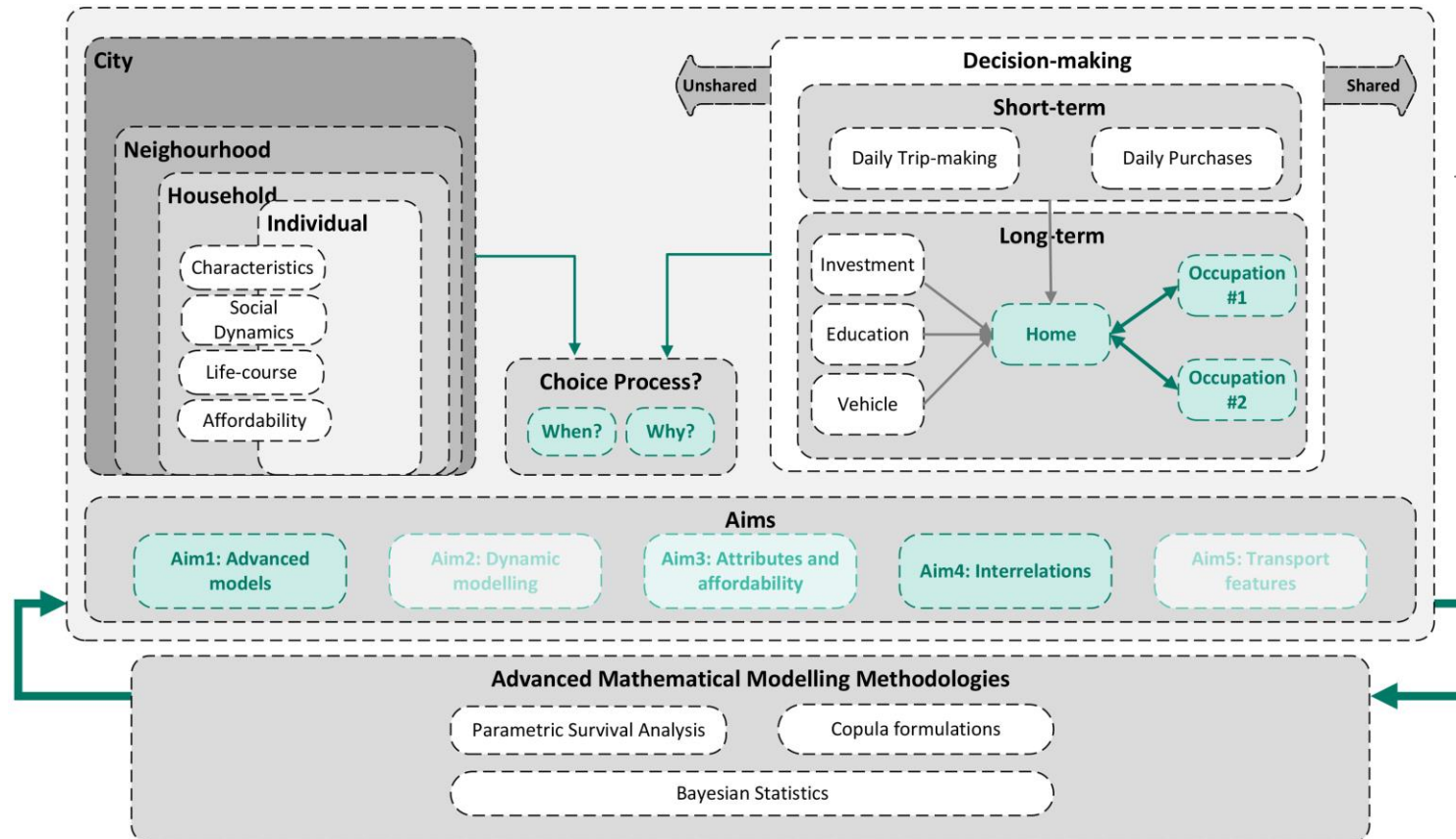
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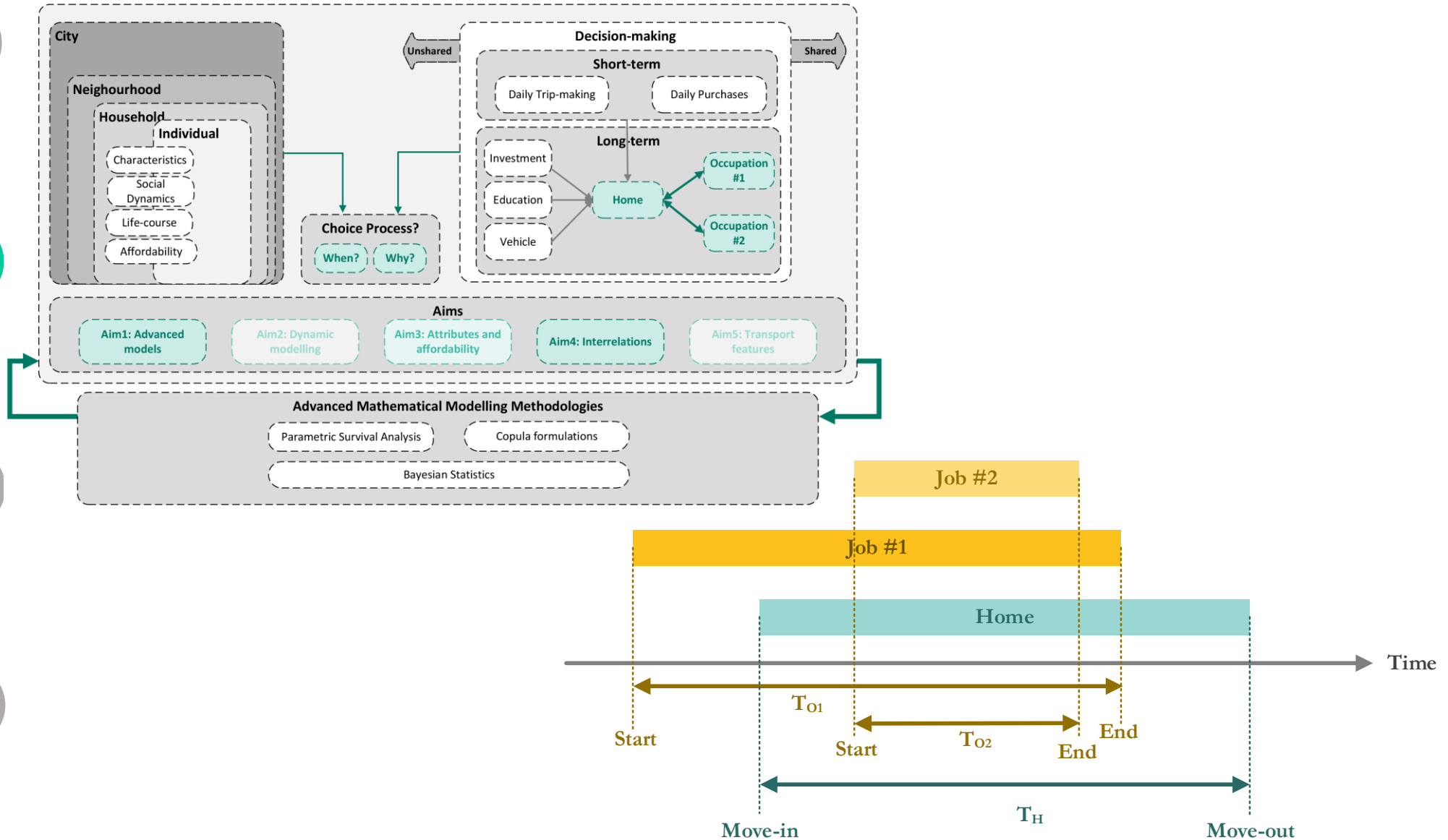


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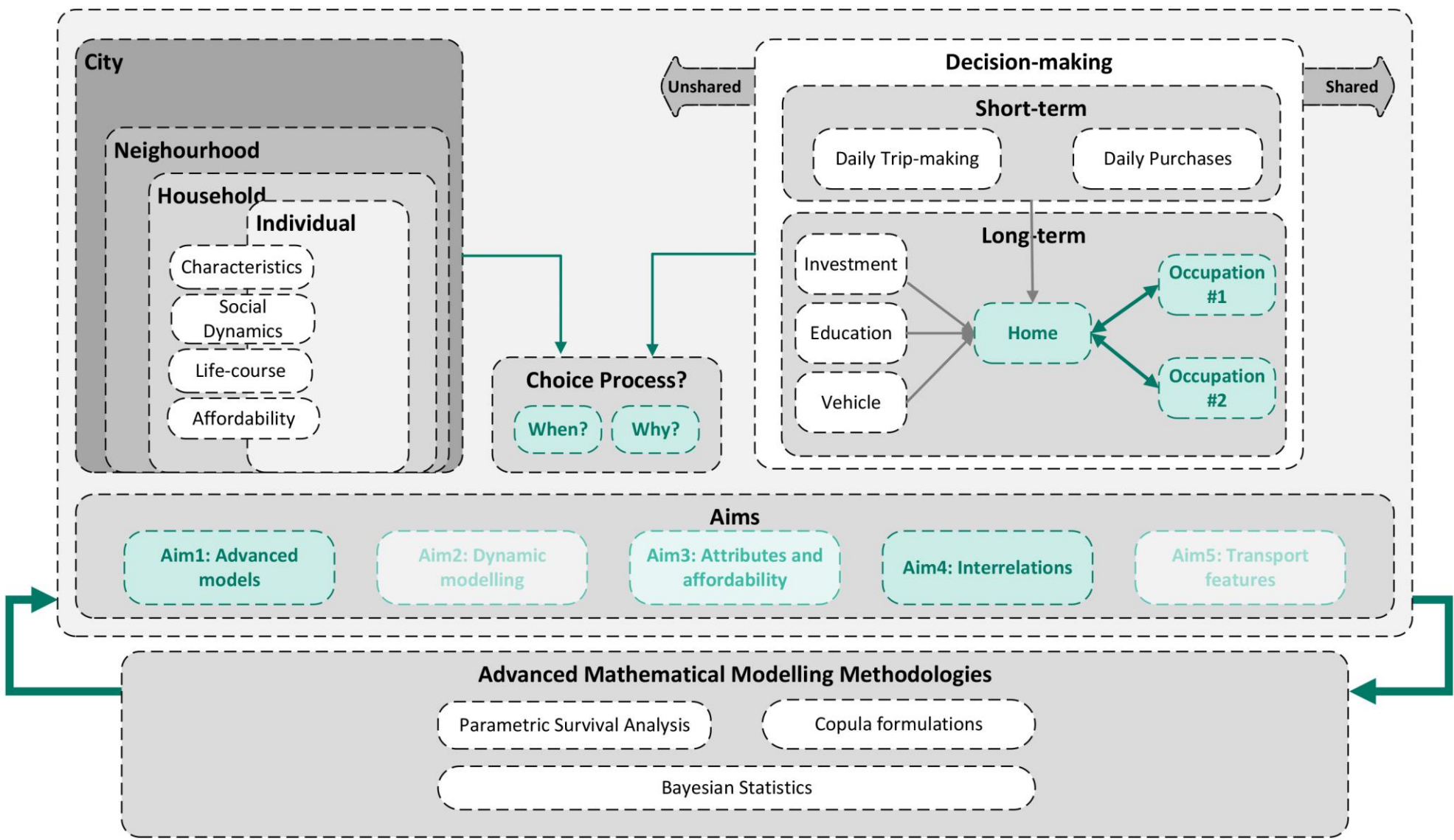


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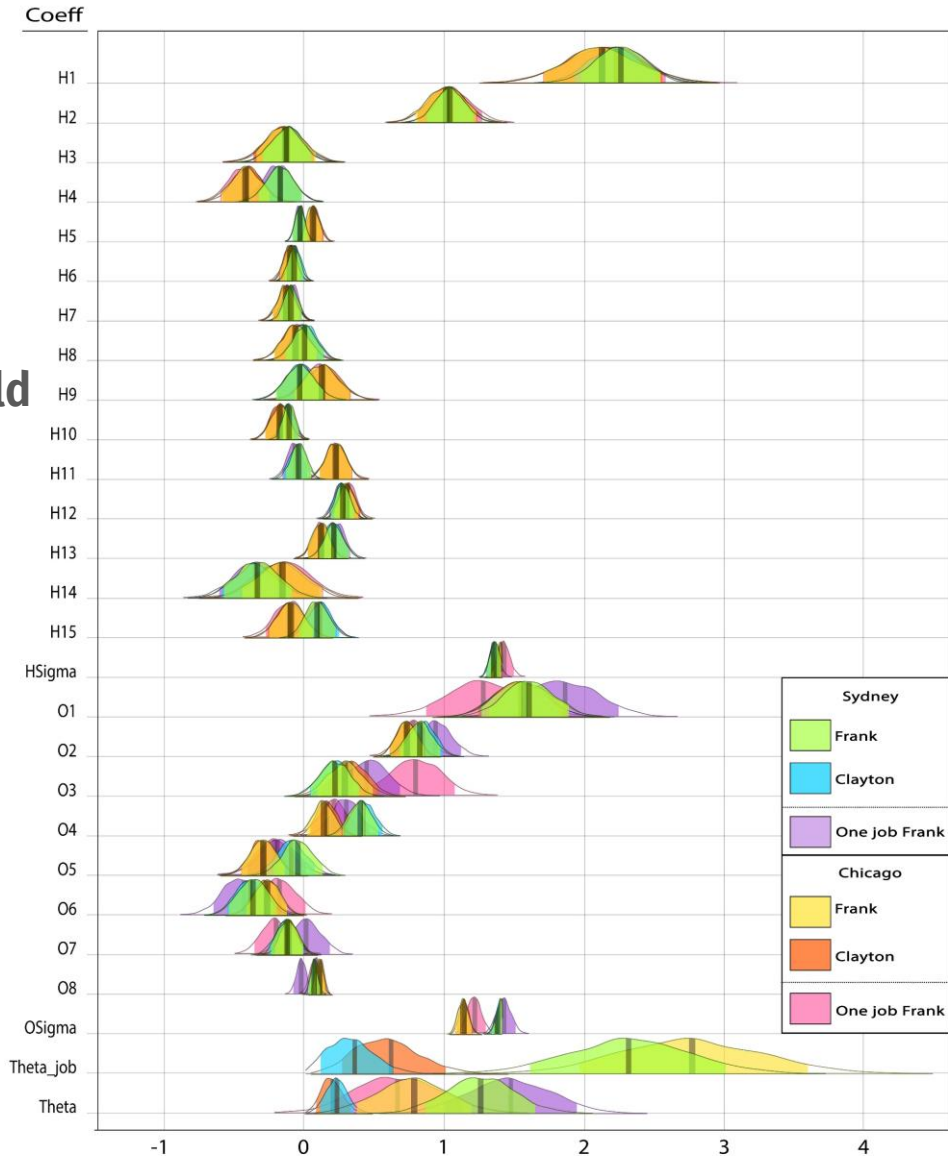
- Bayesian Modelling -> Optimization efficiency
- Correlation of duration of two jobs in household
- Correlation of job and home are not strong

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Copula type	Failure Event? 1 - failure, 0 - censored		Has job?	Term	Likelihood function contribution	Number of observations	
	T_H	T_O				Sydney	Chicago
Clayton	0	-	No	$\frac{S_H}{\partial S_H}$	S_H	54	5
	1	-	No	$\frac{\partial S_H}{\partial T_H}$	$-f_H$	101	36
	0	0	Yes	$\frac{\partial S_{HO}}{\partial T_H}$	$(S_H^{-\theta} + S_O^{-\theta} - 1)^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$	333	302
	0	1	Yes	$\frac{\partial S_{HO}}{\partial T_O}$	$-S_{HO}^{1+\theta} S_O^{\theta-1} f_H$	249	221
Frank	0	1	Yes	$\frac{\partial S_{HO}}{\partial T_O}$	$-S_{HO}^{1+\theta} S_O^{\theta-1} f_O$	125	97
	1	1	Yes	$\frac{\partial S_{HO}}{\partial T_O \partial T_H}$	$(1 + \theta) S_{HO}^{1+\theta} f_O S_O^{\theta-1} f_H S_H^{\theta-1}$	162	147
	0	0	Yes	$\frac{\partial S_{HO}}{\partial T_H}$	$-\frac{1}{\theta} \ln \left(1 + \frac{(e^{-\theta S_H} - 1)(e^{-\theta S_O} - 1)}{e^{-\theta} - 1} \right)$	333	302
	1	0	Yes	$\frac{\partial S_{HO}}{\partial T_H}$	$-\frac{(e^{-\theta S_O} - 1) e^{-\theta S_H} f_H}{(e^{-\theta} - 1) + (e^{-\theta S_H} - 1)(e^{-\theta S_O} - 1)}$	249	221
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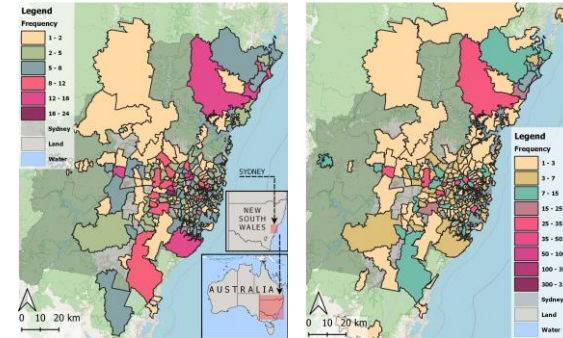
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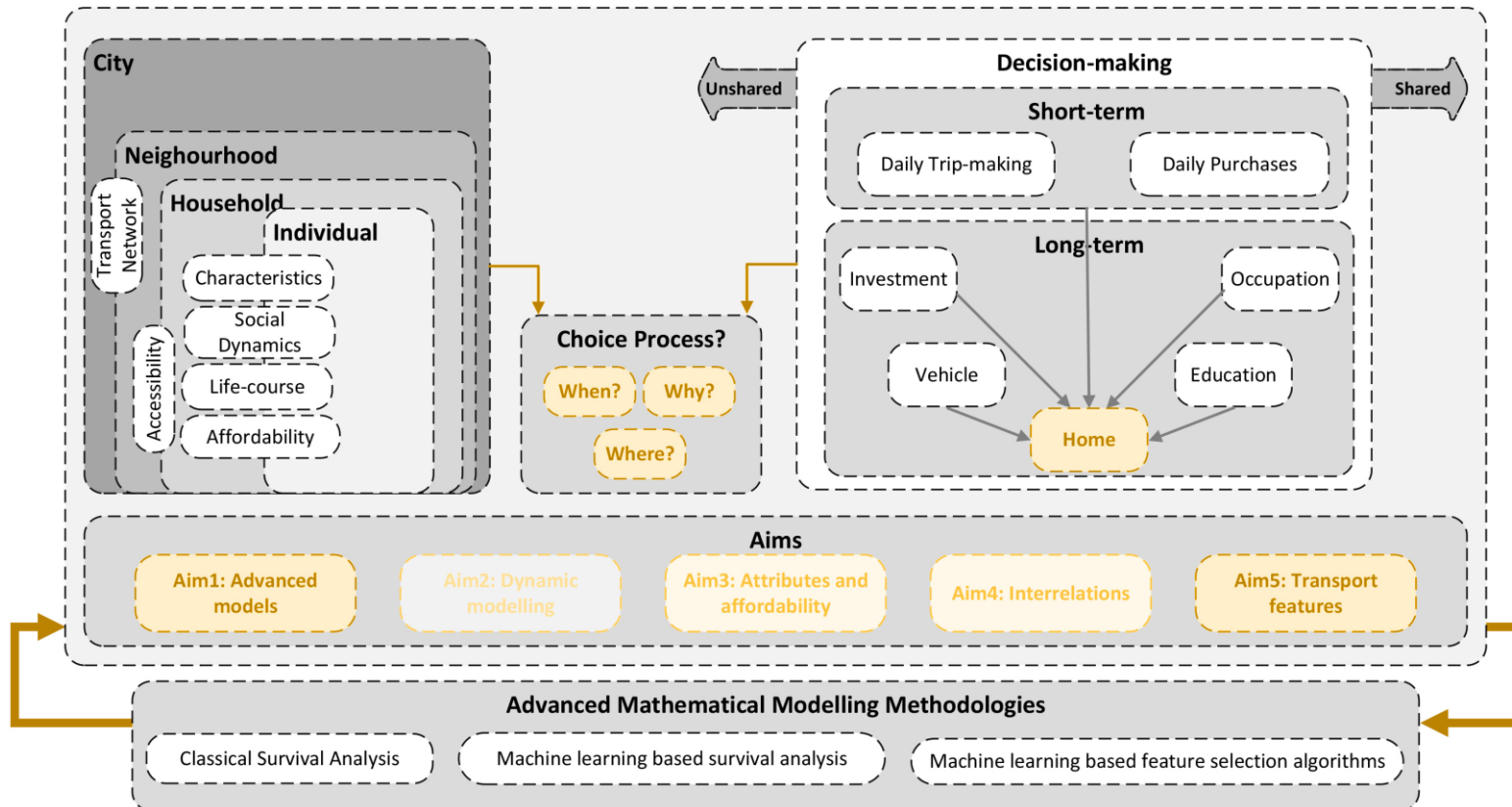
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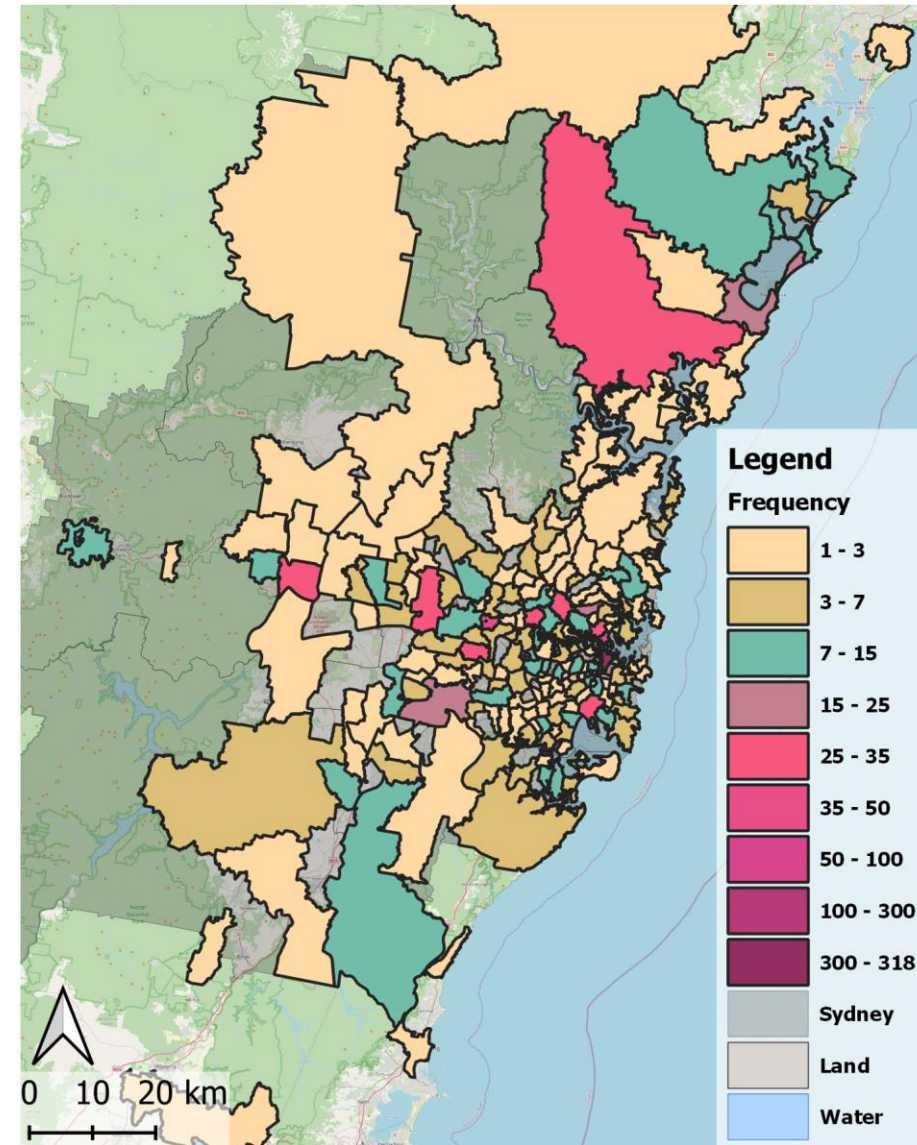
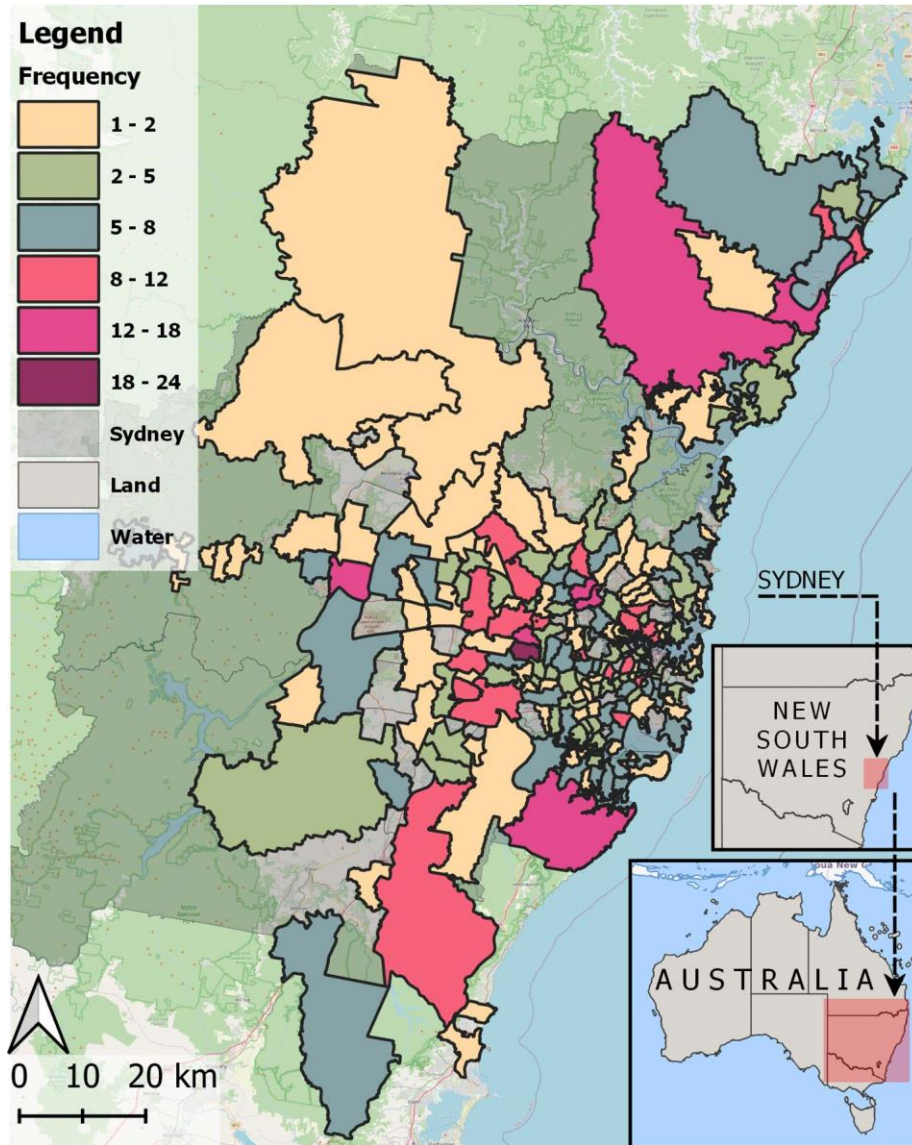
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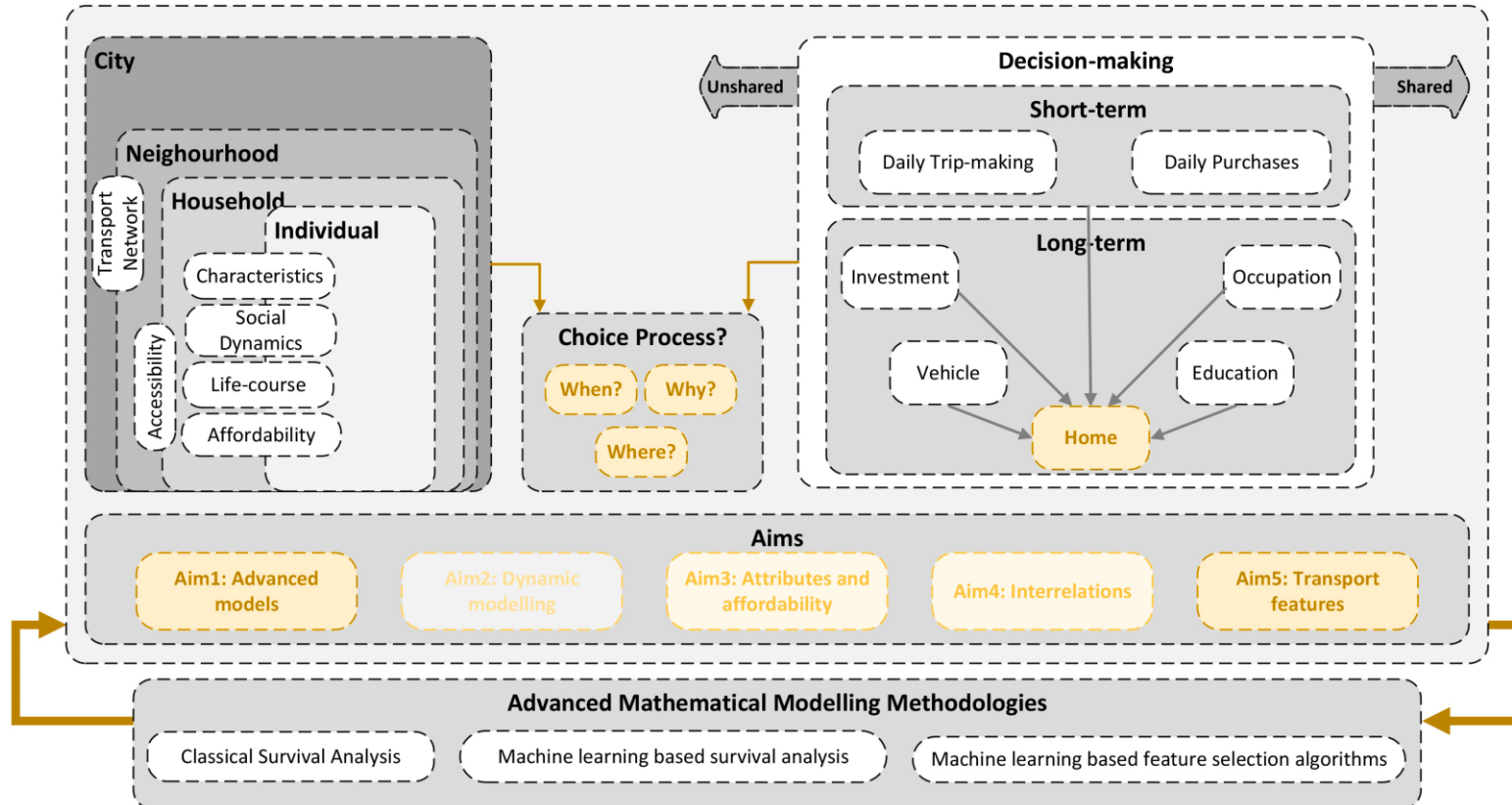
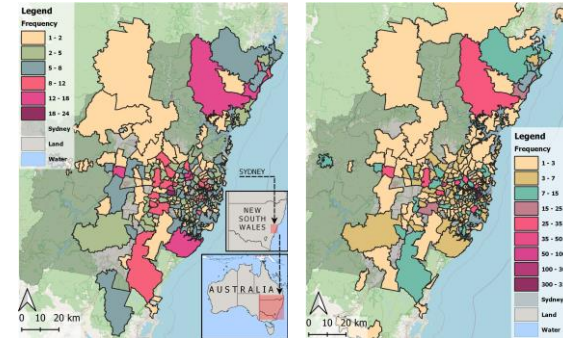
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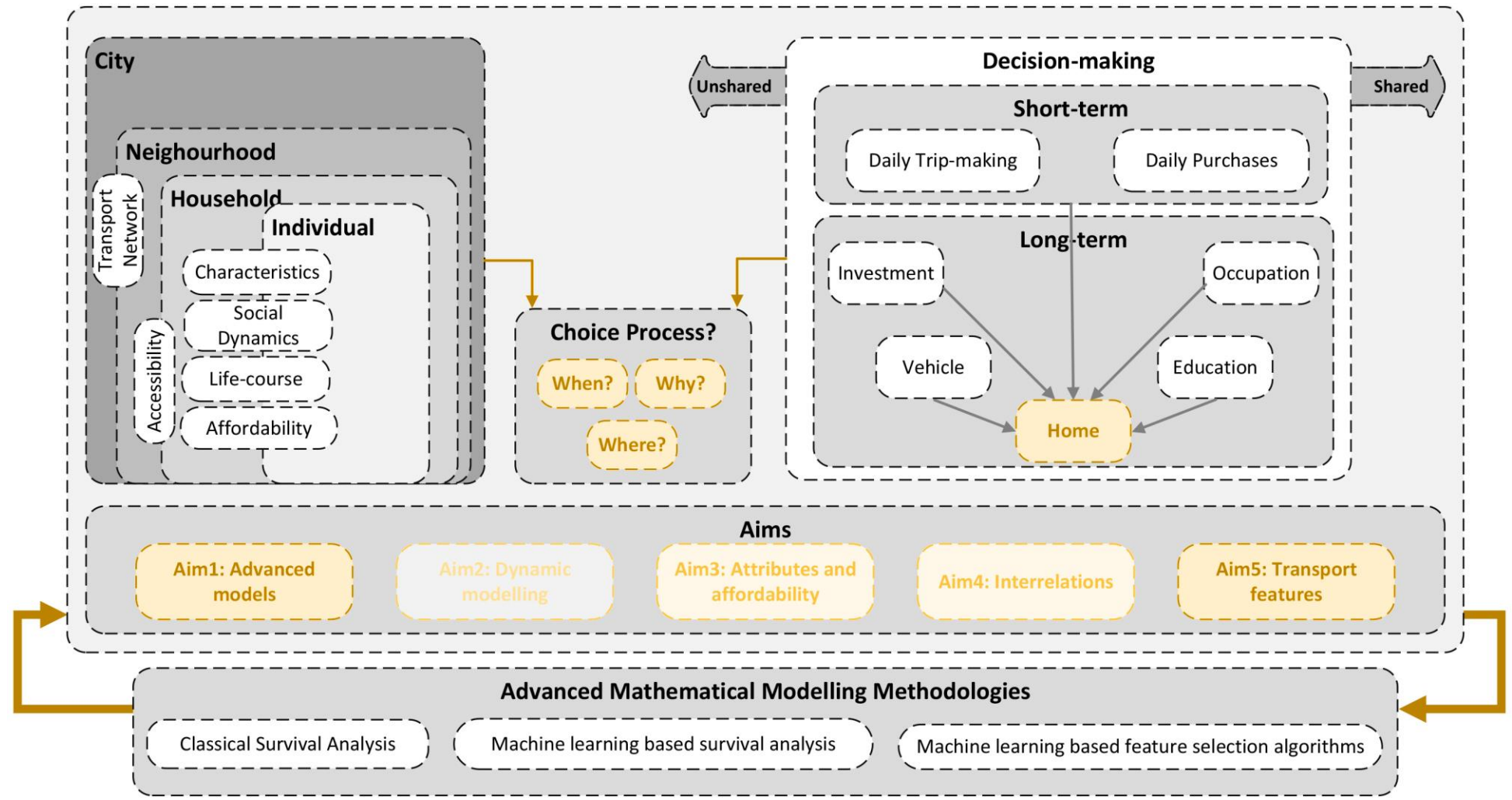


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Insights:

- Use of machine learning, ensemble models, feature selection
- Accessibility of the current home or the future home?

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			None	UNI	MRMR	IMP	DEPTH	HUNT	RANGER	
Classical	Cox-PH	Cox PH	0.491	0.757	0.704	0.765	0.765	0.762	0.767	
	AFT-Log-normal	Surv Reg Log	0.502	0.759	0.710	0.763	0.766	0.764	0.763	
	AFT-Weibull	Surv Reg Weib	0.516	0.751	0.707	0.763	0.765	0.752	0.766	0.4
Regularized Cox-PH	Ridge	Ridge	0.732	0.746	0.711	0.753	0.752	0.751	0.752	0.45
	Elastic Net	Elastic Net	0.752	0.748	0.726	0.757	0.756	0.757	0.753	0.5
Gradient boosting	Lasso	Lasso	0.746	0.744	0.716	0.752	0.757	0.750	0.744	0.55
	GBM	GBM	0.773	0.772	0.723	0.771	0.768	0.772	0.775	0.6
	Glmboost	Glmboost	0.739	0.739	0.724	0.736	0.739	0.738	0.737	0.65
Tree-based	Xgboost lm	Xgboost lm	0.720	0.725	0.687	0.721	0.727	0.730	0.724	0.7
	Xgboost tree	Xgboost tree	0.760	0.766	0.773	0.756	0.760	0.760	0.759	0.75
Random Forest	Rpart	Rpart	0.696	0.707	0.700	0.716	0.715	0.716	0.713	0.8
	Random Forest SRC	Random Forest SRC	0.759	0.758	0.771	0.759	0.754	0.753	0.759	
	Ranger	Ranger	0.740	0.750	0.747	0.757	0.750	0.749	0.753	

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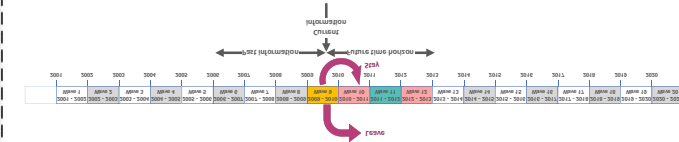
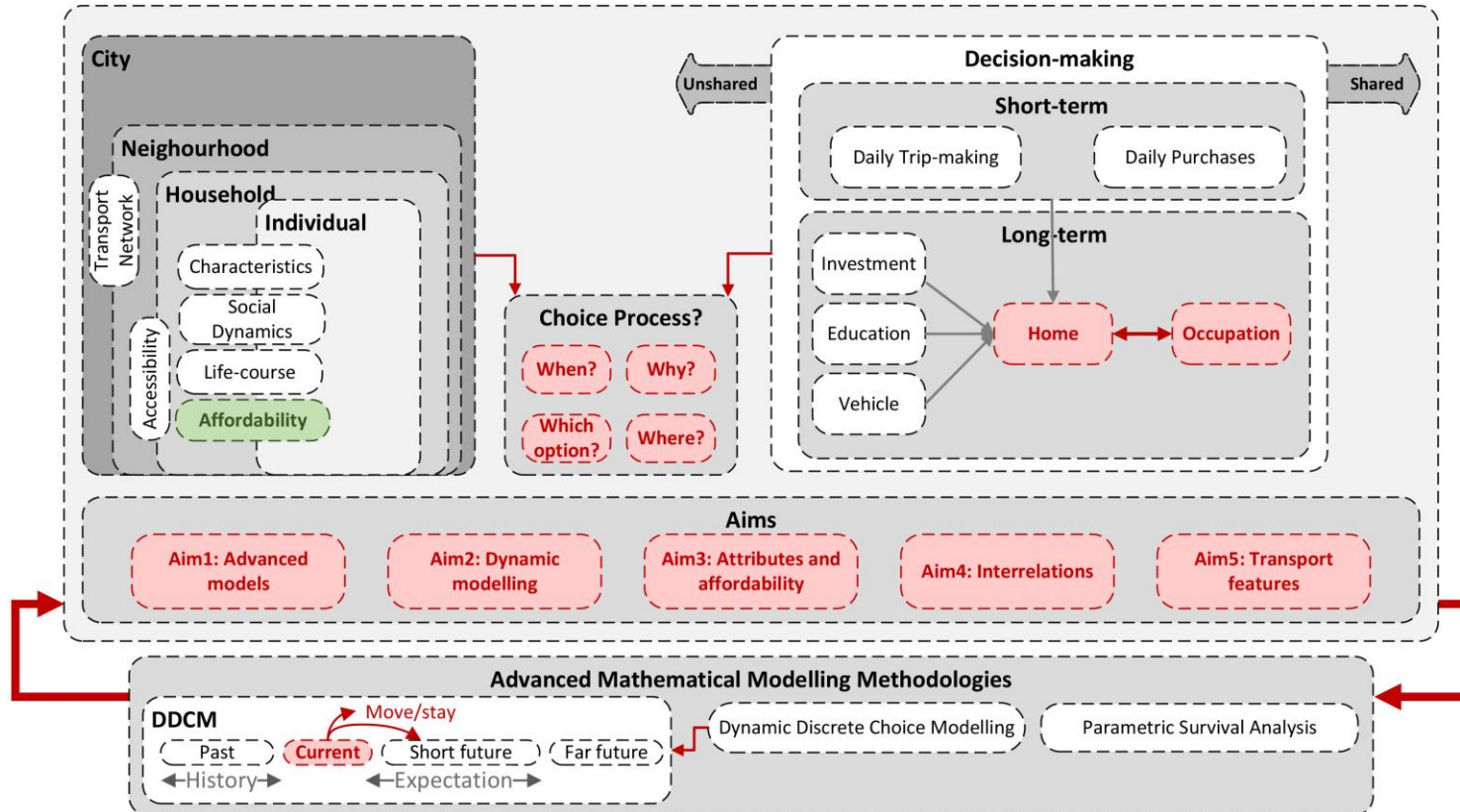
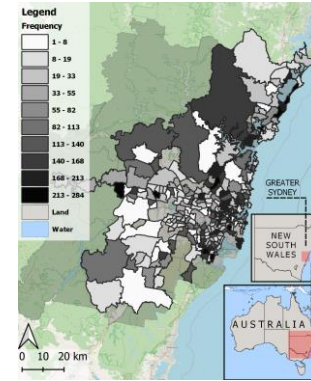
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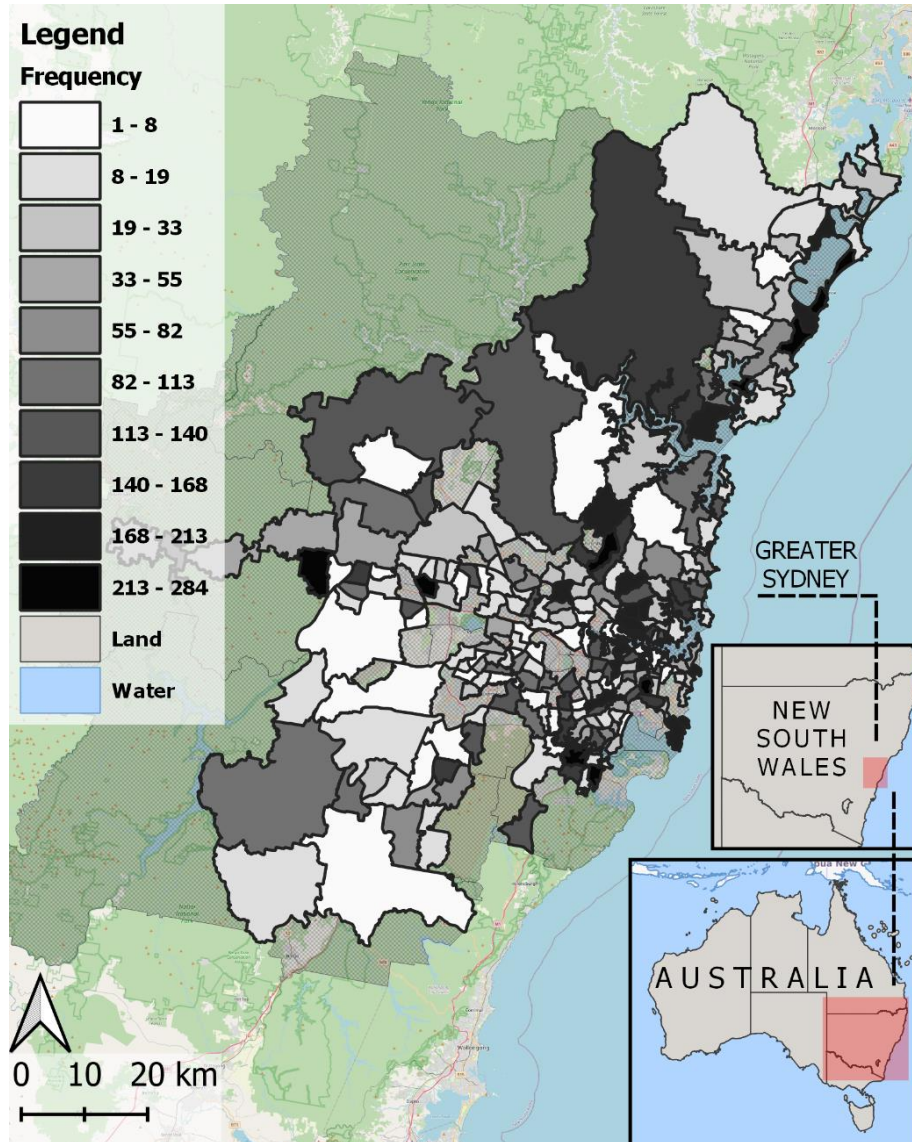


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HILDA data (waves 1-21)

- Sydney metropolitan area residents
- Residential relocation behaviour
- Household characteristics
- Job relocation
- Education information

External data

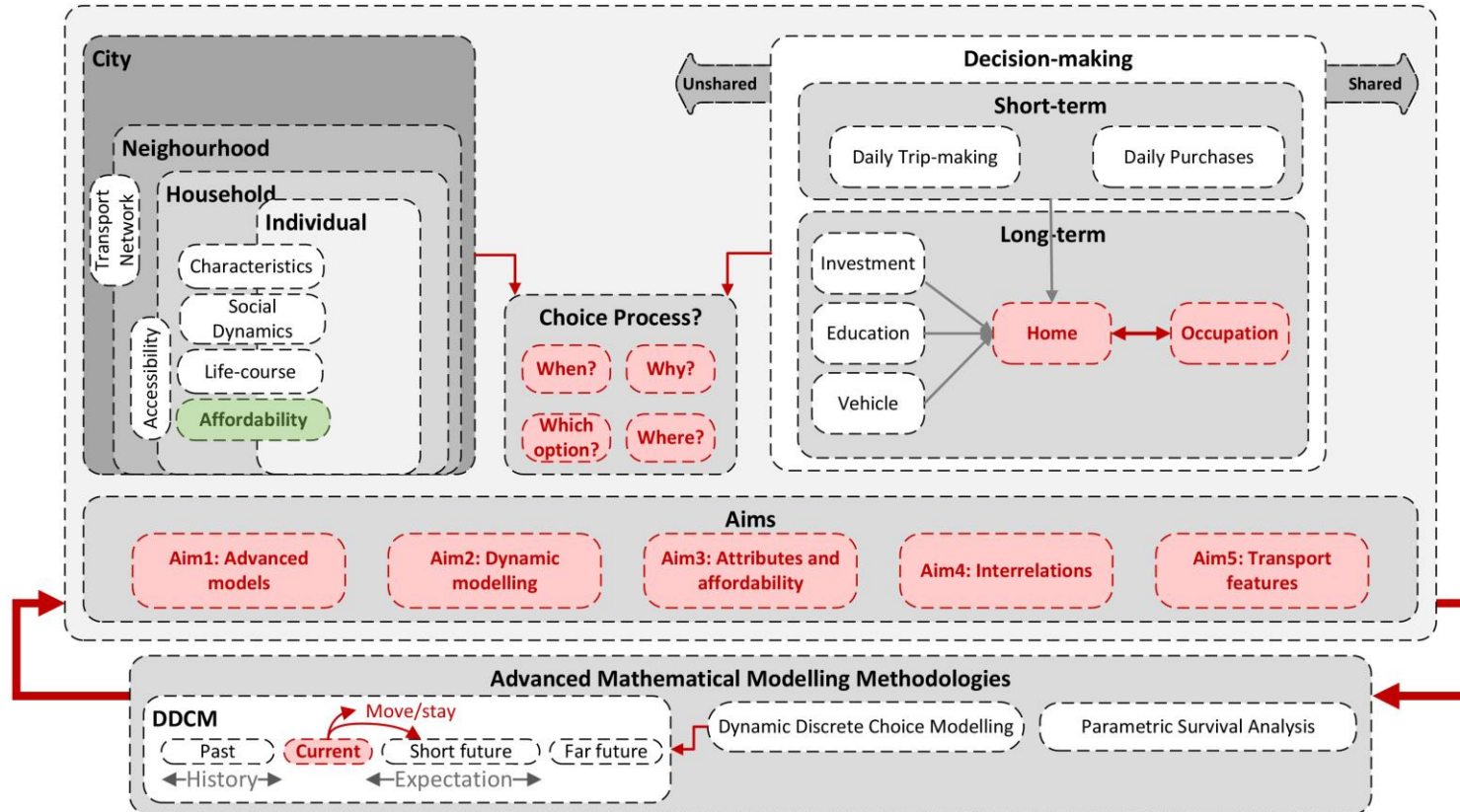
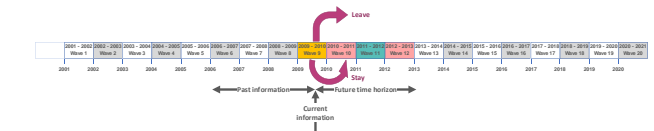
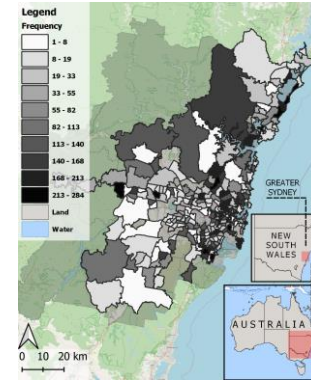
- SEIFA measure
- Travel-time to CBD
- Average rent and sale price at each SA2
- Population and employment
- Inflation



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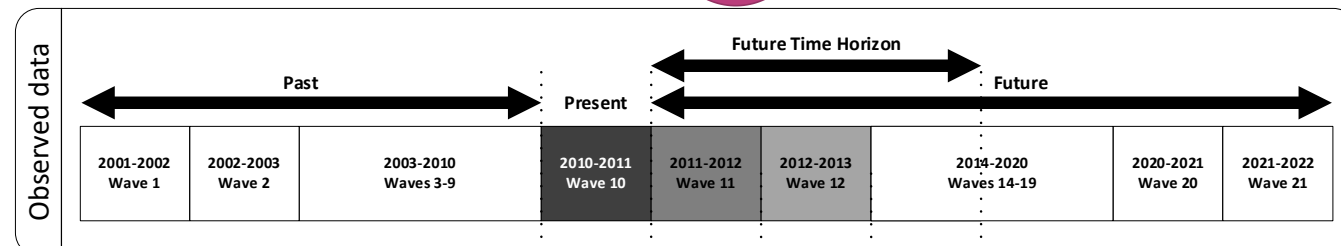
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Modelling data	Observed home attributes in time horizon	H_{10}	H_{11}	H_{12}	H_{13}
	Home attributes considered while deciding for time horizon	H_{10}	H_{10}	H_{10}	H_{10}
	Observed socio-demographic attributes in time horizon	S_{10}	S_{11}	S_{12}	S_{13}
	Socio-demographic attributes while deciding for time horizon	S_{10}	S_{11}	S_{12}	S_{13}

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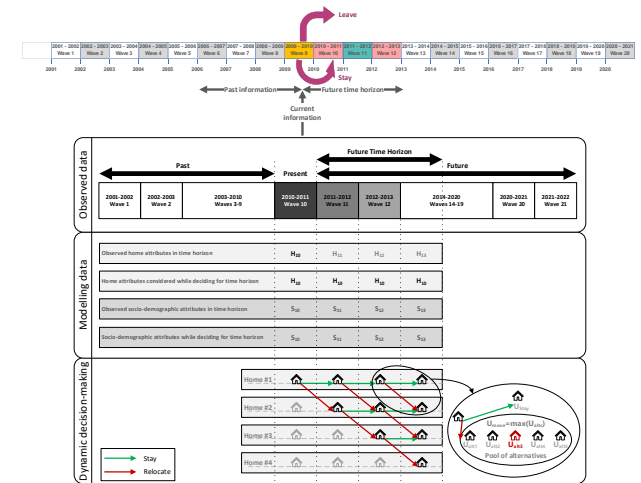
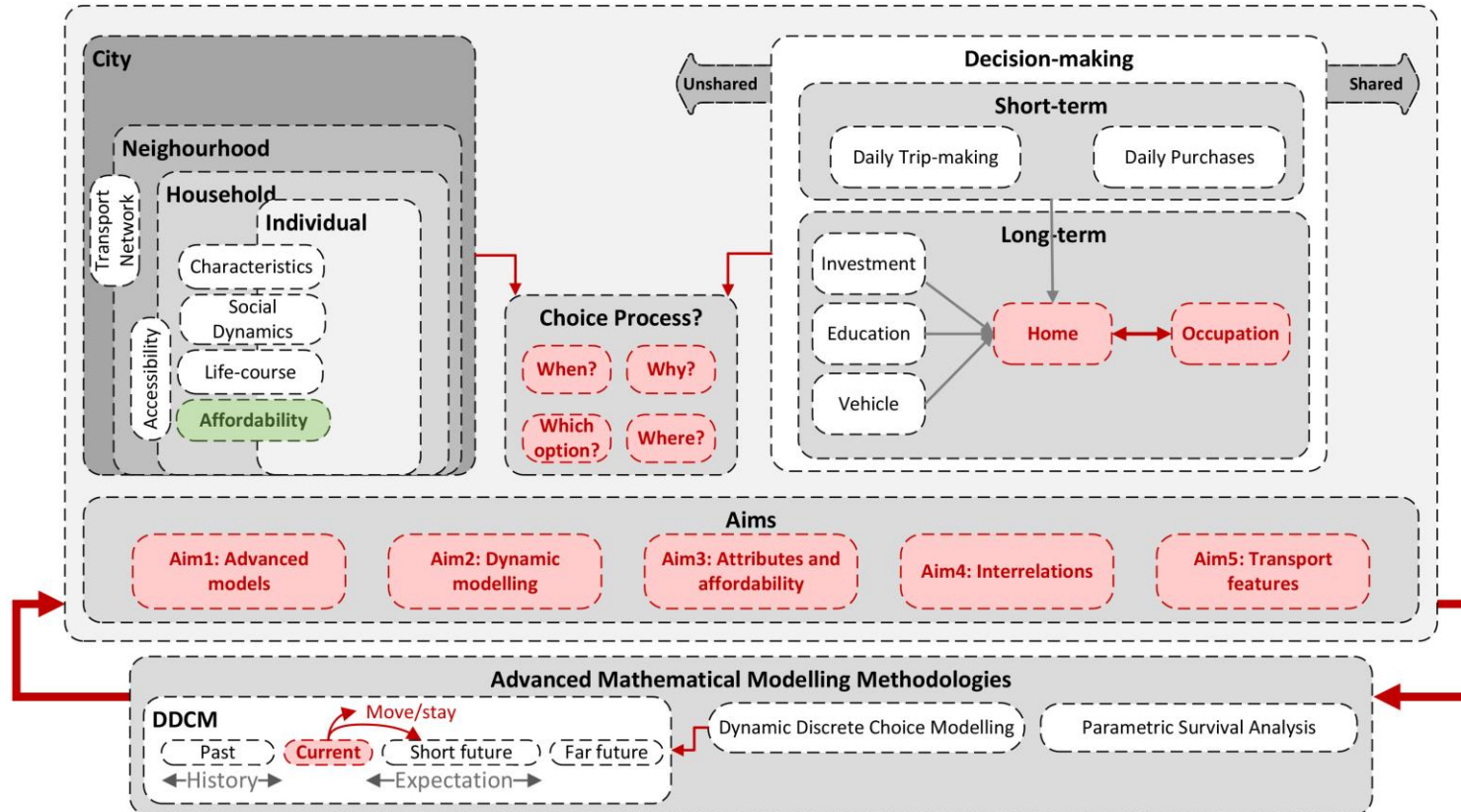
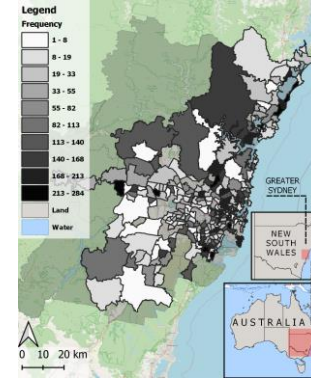
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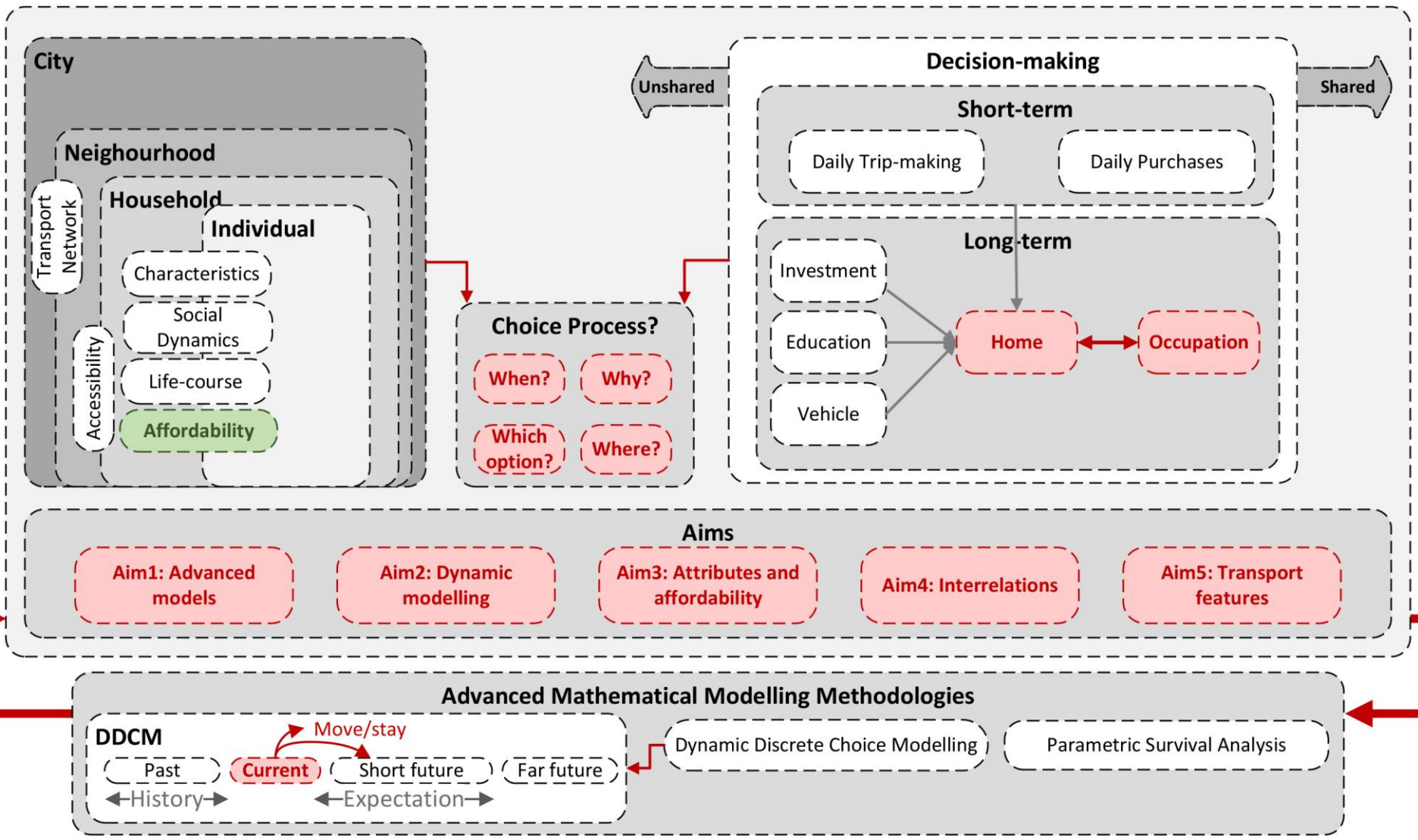
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Insights:

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- Longitudinal datasets efficiency
- Future-looking nature of households
- Affordability's impact

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Variable	Coefficient	t-statistic	P-value	Significance
Utility of stay				
Constant	1.481	17.3	3.5E-67	***
Number of adults	0.034	6.4	1.9E-10	***
Number of members aged 5 to 9	0.011	0.5	5.8E-01	
Current home variables				
Is apartment?	0.055	1.7	9.7E-02	**
Is renter?	-0.254	-7.0	2.1E-12	***
Residing duration (in year)	0.012	11.5	9.9E-31	***
Actual current home price (in 1,000,000 AU\$)	0.069	1.4	1.5E-01	*
SEIFA's IRSAD - 1 to 5 decile	0.160	4.3	1.7E-05	***
SEIFA's IER - 1 to 5 decile	-0.087	-2.6	9.0E-03	***
Affordability of renting a unit in the current suburb ²	0.119	1.9	5.9E-02	**
Affordability of Purchasing a house in current suburb	-0.186	-1.8	7.3E-02	**
Travel time to CBD by car (in hours) × petrol price	-0.010	-17.3	2.1E-67	***
Suburb's average house price (in 1,000,000 AU\$)	0.037	0.7	4.8E-01	
Job variables				
Total full-time workers	-0.040	-1.4	1.7E-01	.
Probability of job relocation	-1.000	-3.7	2.1E-04	***
Life-course variables				
Relocation during last year	-0.271	-5.8	6.4E-09	***
A birth during last year	-0.187	-2.6	8.7E-03	***
A job promotion during last year	-0.226	-3.2	1.3E-03	***
An improvement in income during last year	-0.219	-2.5	1.3E-02	***
Marriage during last year	-0.254	-3.2	1.3E-03	***
Separation during last year	-0.384	-5.1	4.2E-07	***
Years binary variables				

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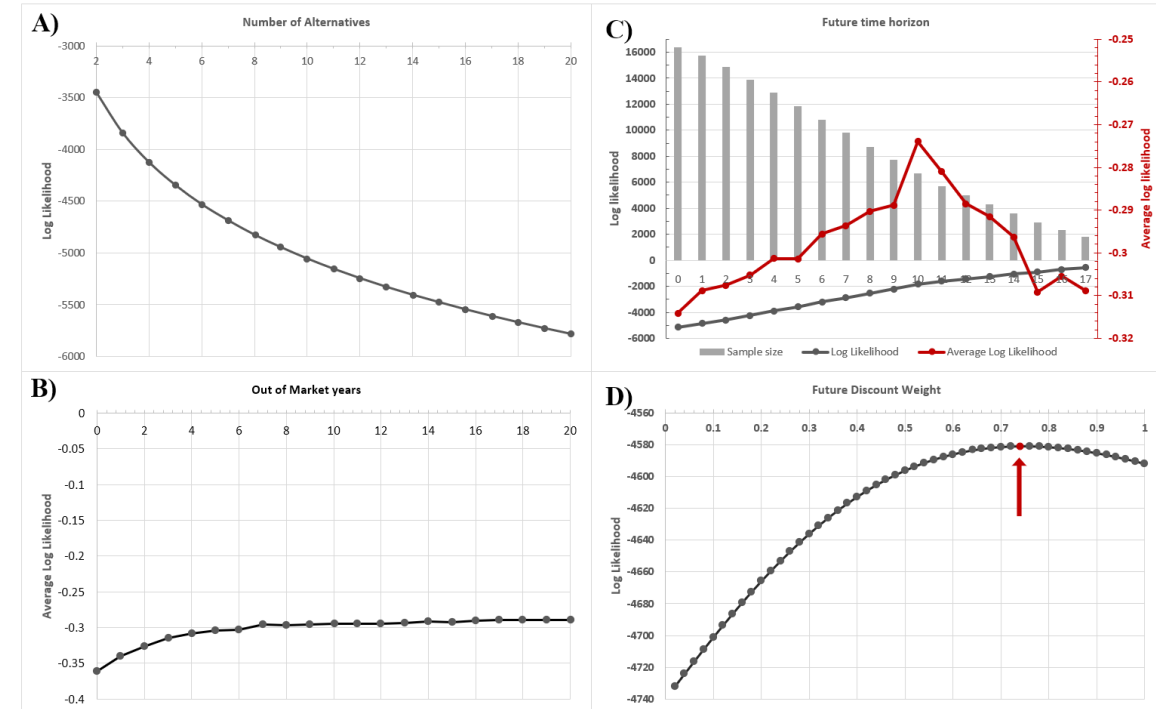
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Variable	Coefficient	t-statistic	P-value	Significance
Year 2007 to 2009	0.252	3.7	2.1E-04	***
Year 2017 to 2019	-0.117	-1.6	1.1E-01	*
year 2020 and 2021	0.111	0.6	5.3E-01	
Utility of move				
Travel time to CBD by car (in hours)	-1.176	-5.9	3.6E-09	***
SEIFA's IER score	0.003	4.7	2.3E-06	***
SEIFA's IEO score	0.001	1.8	7.9E-02	**
Alternative and current home				
Current home to alternative travel time (in hours)	-4.094	-28.9	4.0E-183	***
(Population) _{alt} - (Population) _{current} (in 10,000)	0.121	2.6	1.0E-02	***
(SEIFA's IRSAD score) _{alt} - (SEIFA's IRSAD score) _{current}	0.001	1.5	1.3E-01	*
(AVG unit rent) _{alt} - (AVG unit rent) _{current} (in 1K AU\$)	-4.587	-8.3	9.1E-17	***
(AVG house price) _{alt} - (AVG house price) _{current} (in 1M AU\$)	-0.525	-3.4	5.8E-04	***

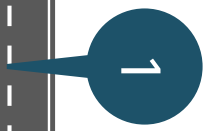
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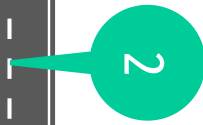


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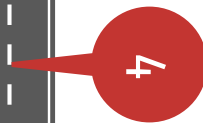
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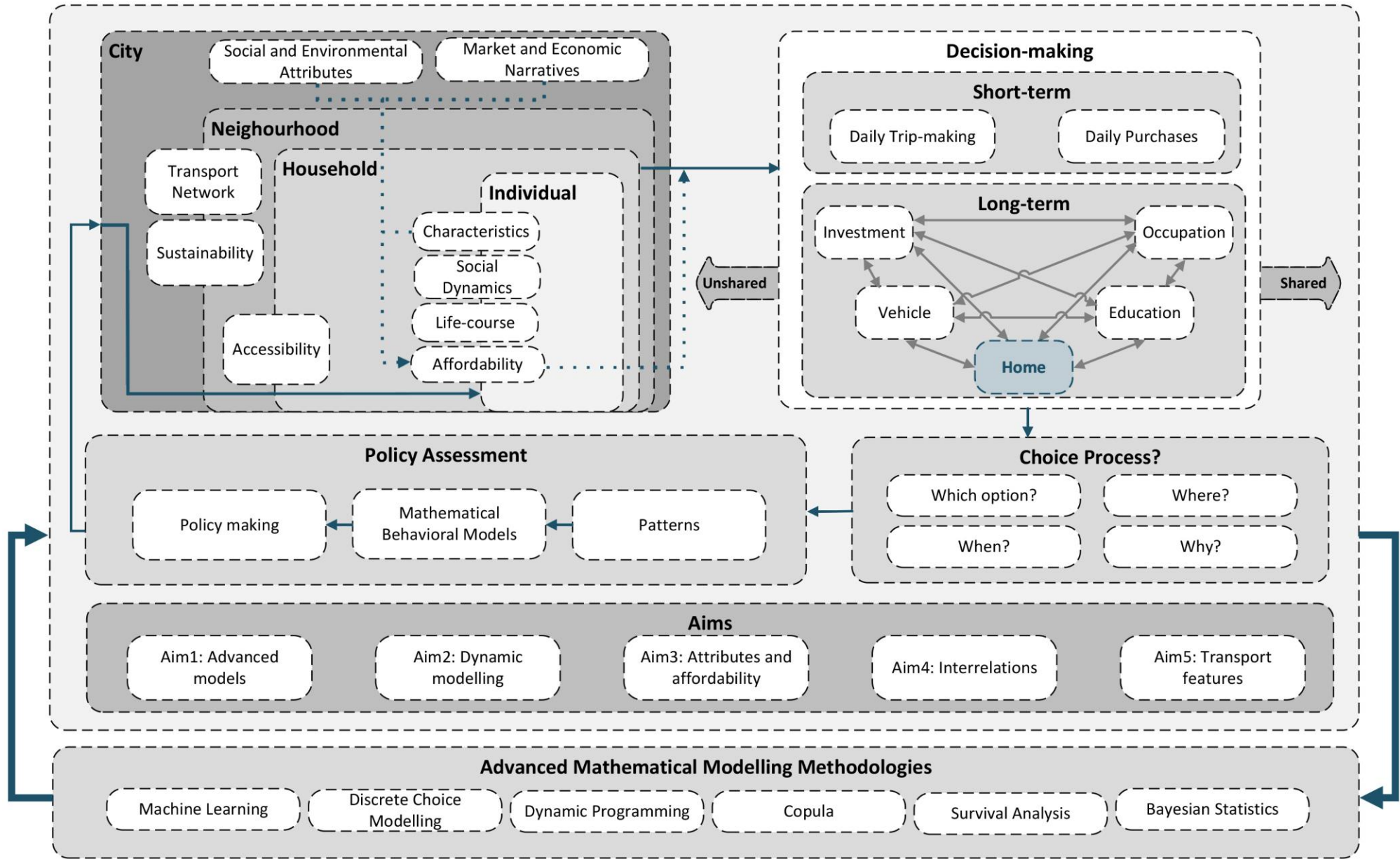
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? **Future direction?**



- Decisions -> Dynamic and future-looking
- Affordability's impact
- DDCM

Thank you!

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