

arpa.e digital transportation workshop

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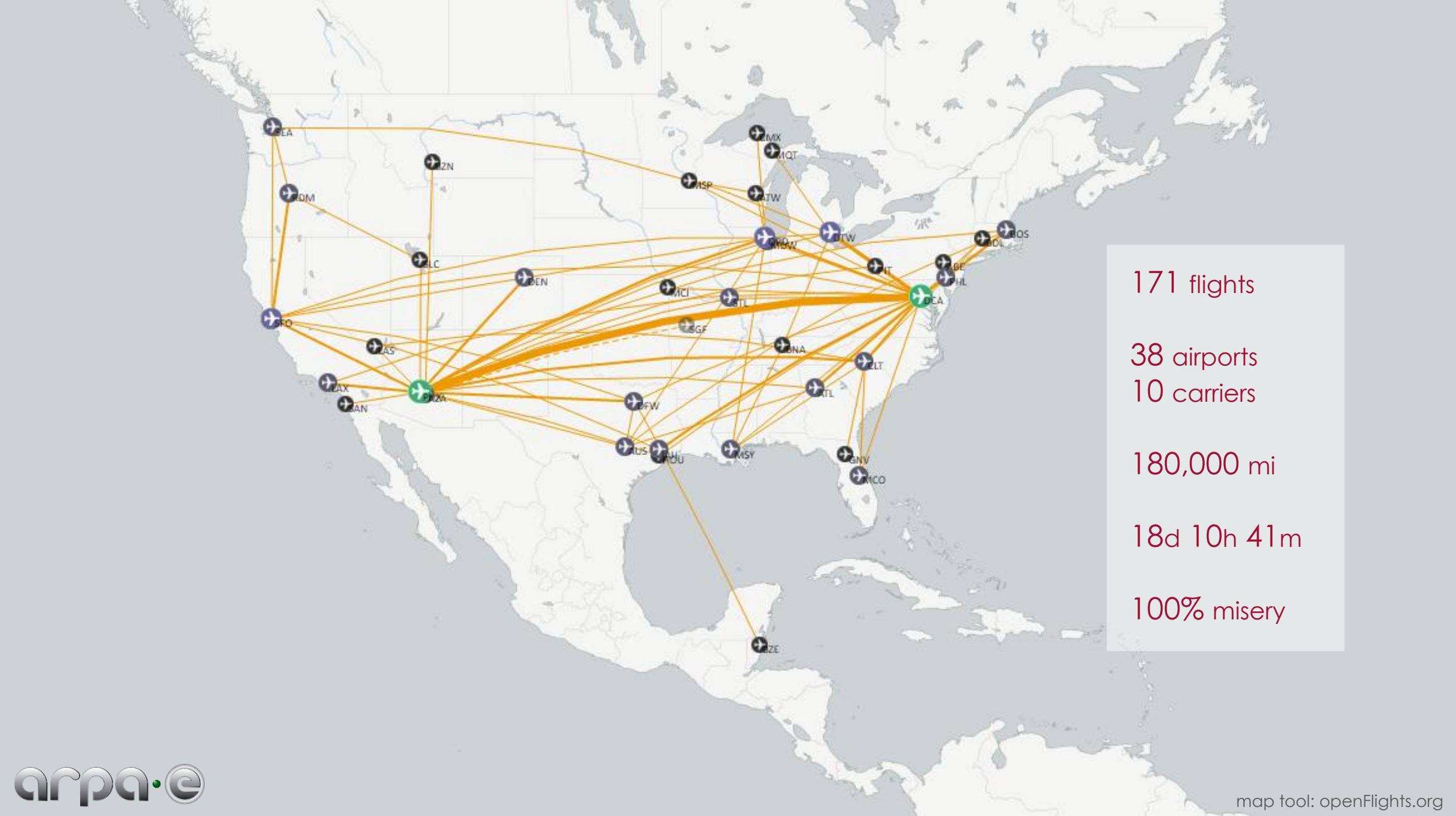
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Sun Lakes

our theme for the day:

bits not atoms.

(or we will be miserable and doomed.)



171 flights

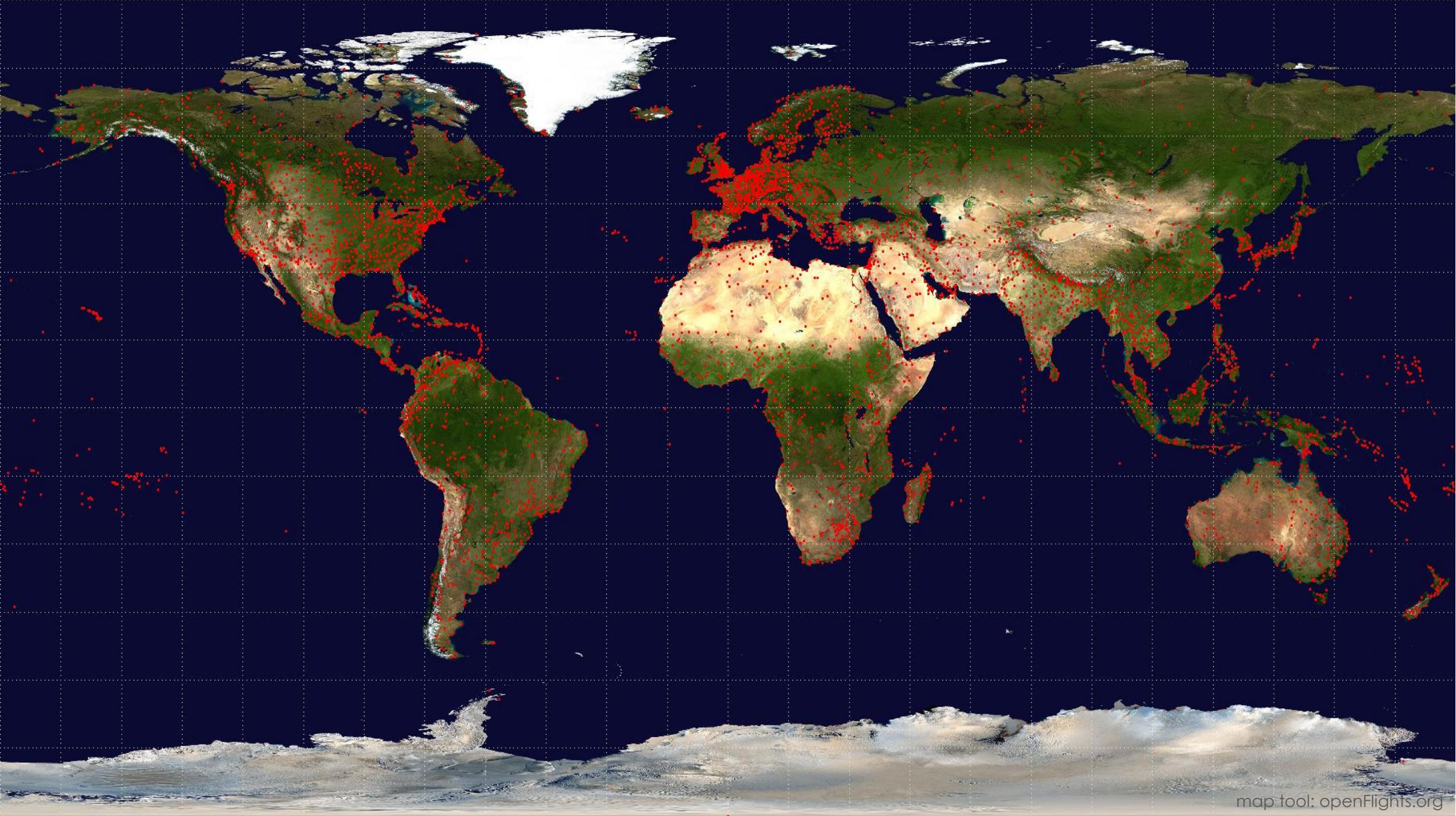
38 airports

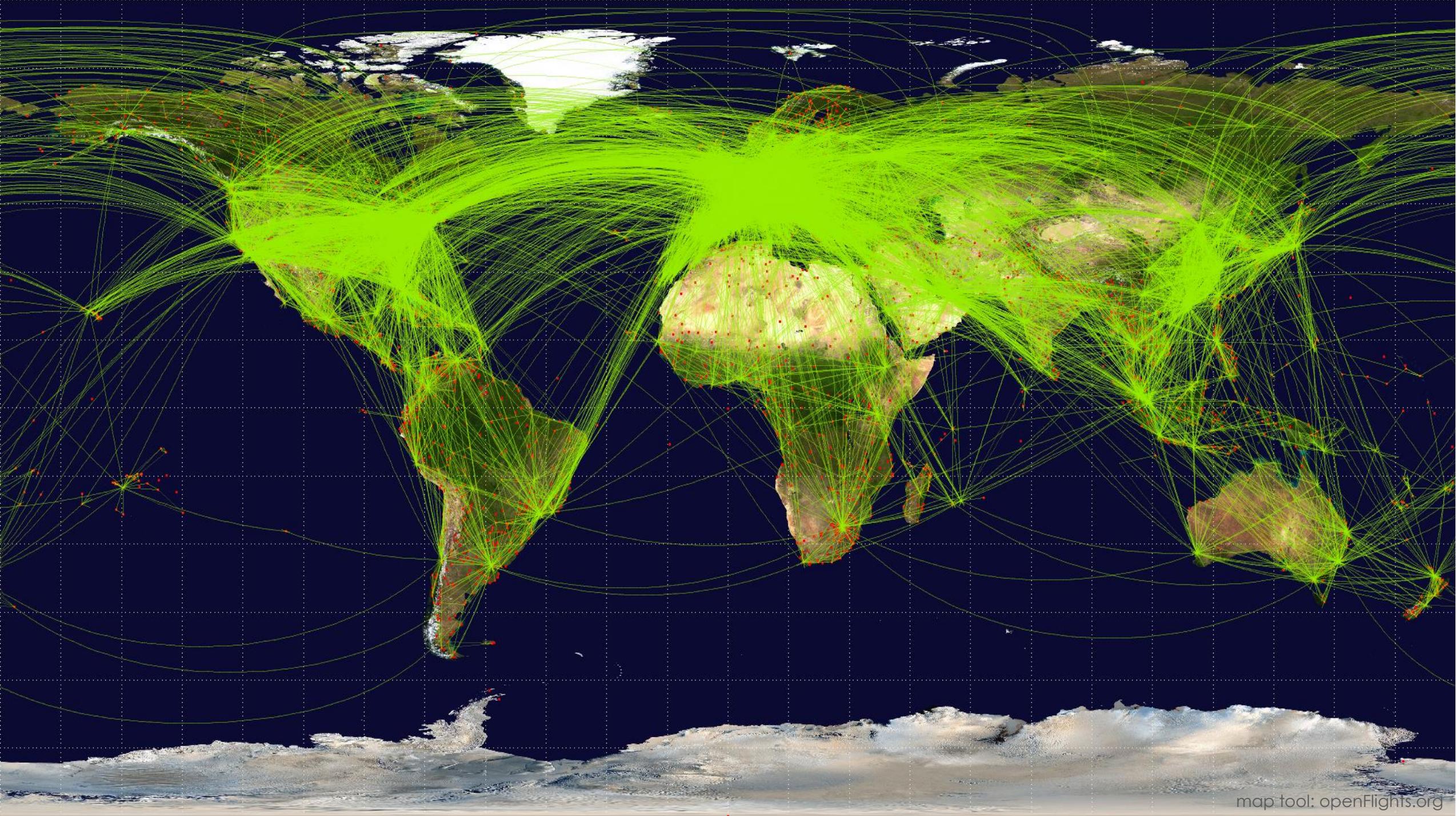
10 carriers

180,000 mi

18d 10h 41m

100% misery

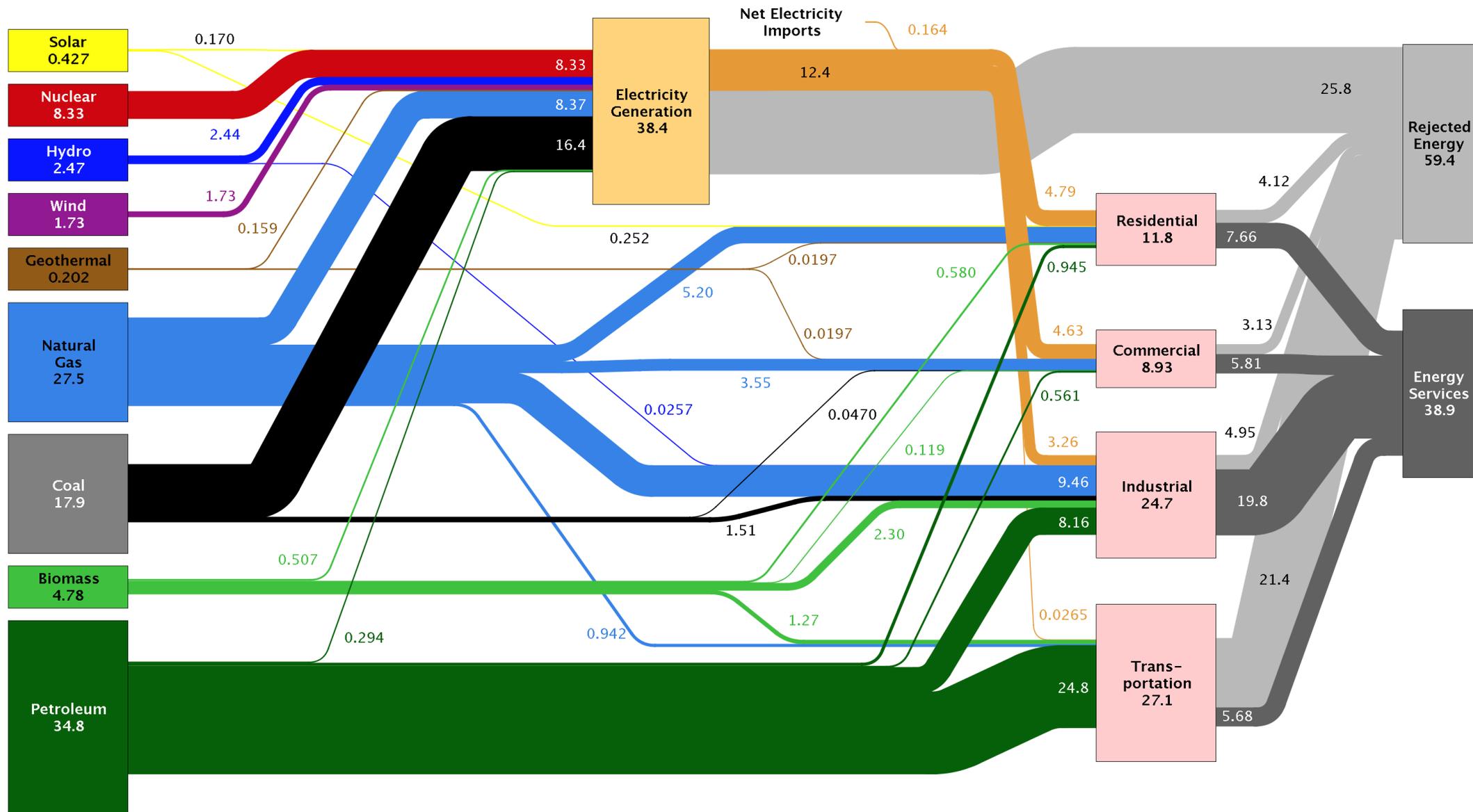




air travel = 2 Q

passenger = 18 Q

Estimated U.S. Energy Use in 2014: ~98.3 Quads



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arpa.e has invested in advanced transportation since the beginning

.natural gas vehicles

.electric vehicles

.lightweighting

.optimal route planning and incentives

.powertrain efficiency for autonomous vehicles

.etc

unifying theme:

the new technologies we develop must have **market pull**

(or else they won't matter)

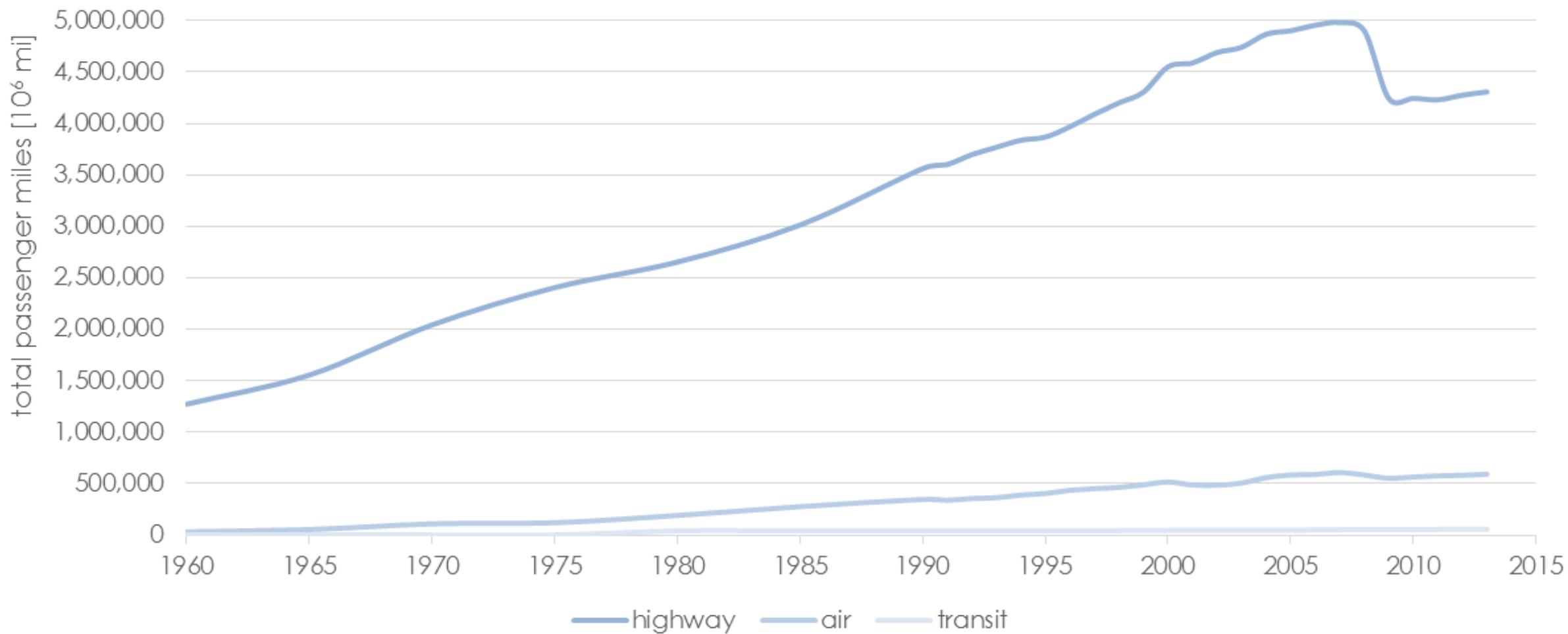
market pull => make transportation better => cheaper, faster, convenient

JEVON'S PARADOX

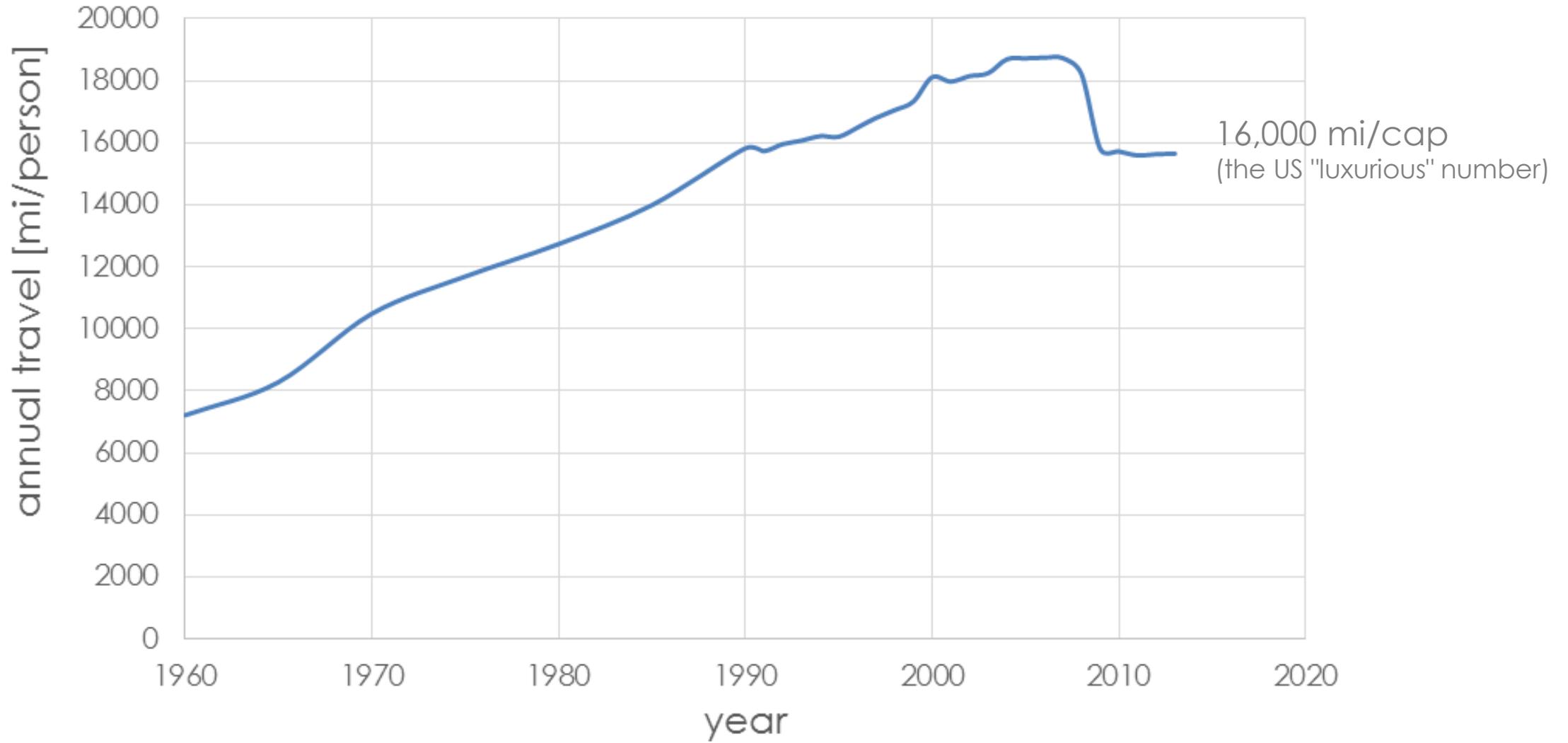
In economics, the **Jevons paradox** ([/'dʒɛvənz/](#); sometimes **Jevons effect**) occurs when [technological progress](#) increases the [efficiency](#) with which a [resource](#) is used (reducing the amount necessary for any one use), but the rate of [consumption](#) of that resource rises because of increasing [demand](#).^[1] The Jevons paradox is perhaps the most widely known paradox in [environmental economics](#).^[2] However, governments and [environmentalists](#) generally assume that efficiency gains will lower resource consumption, ignoring the possibility of the paradox arising.^[3]

-Wikipedia.

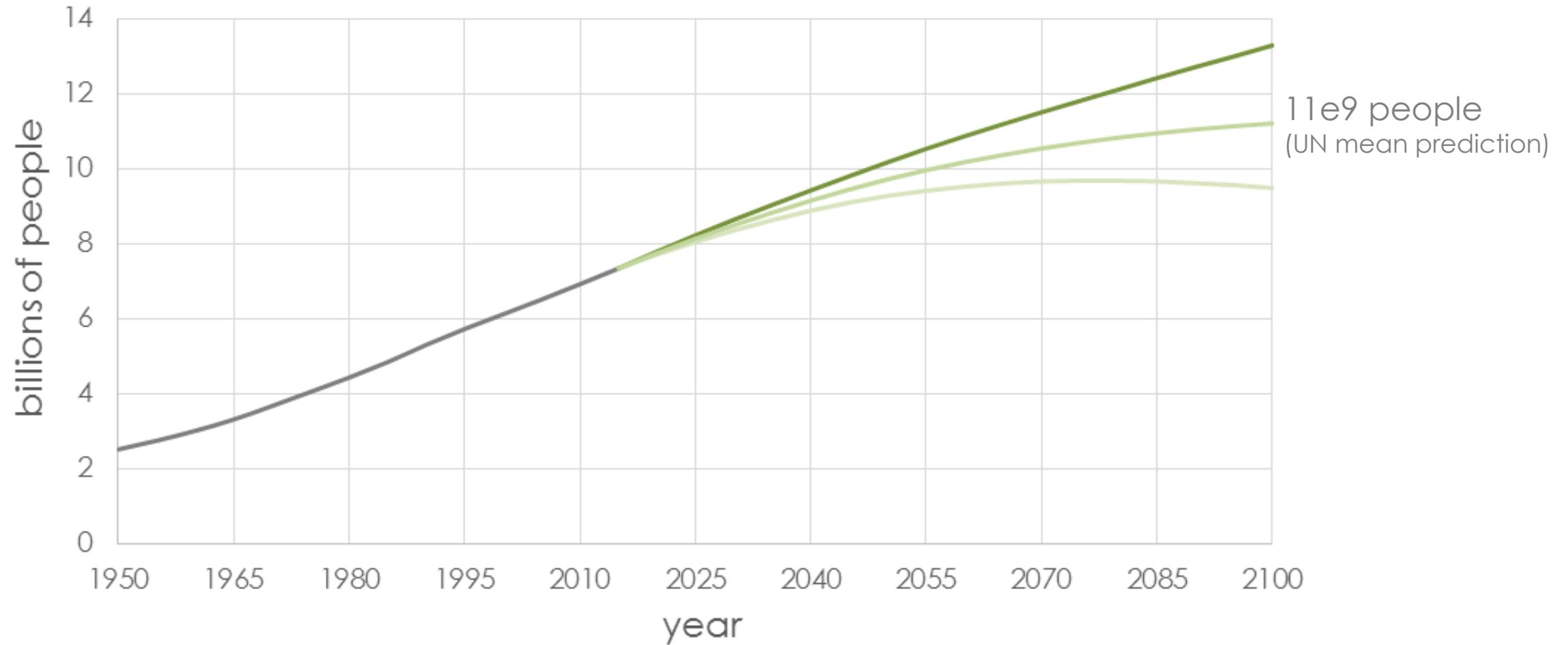
total united states passenger miles by mode



united states per capita passenger miles



united nations world population projections





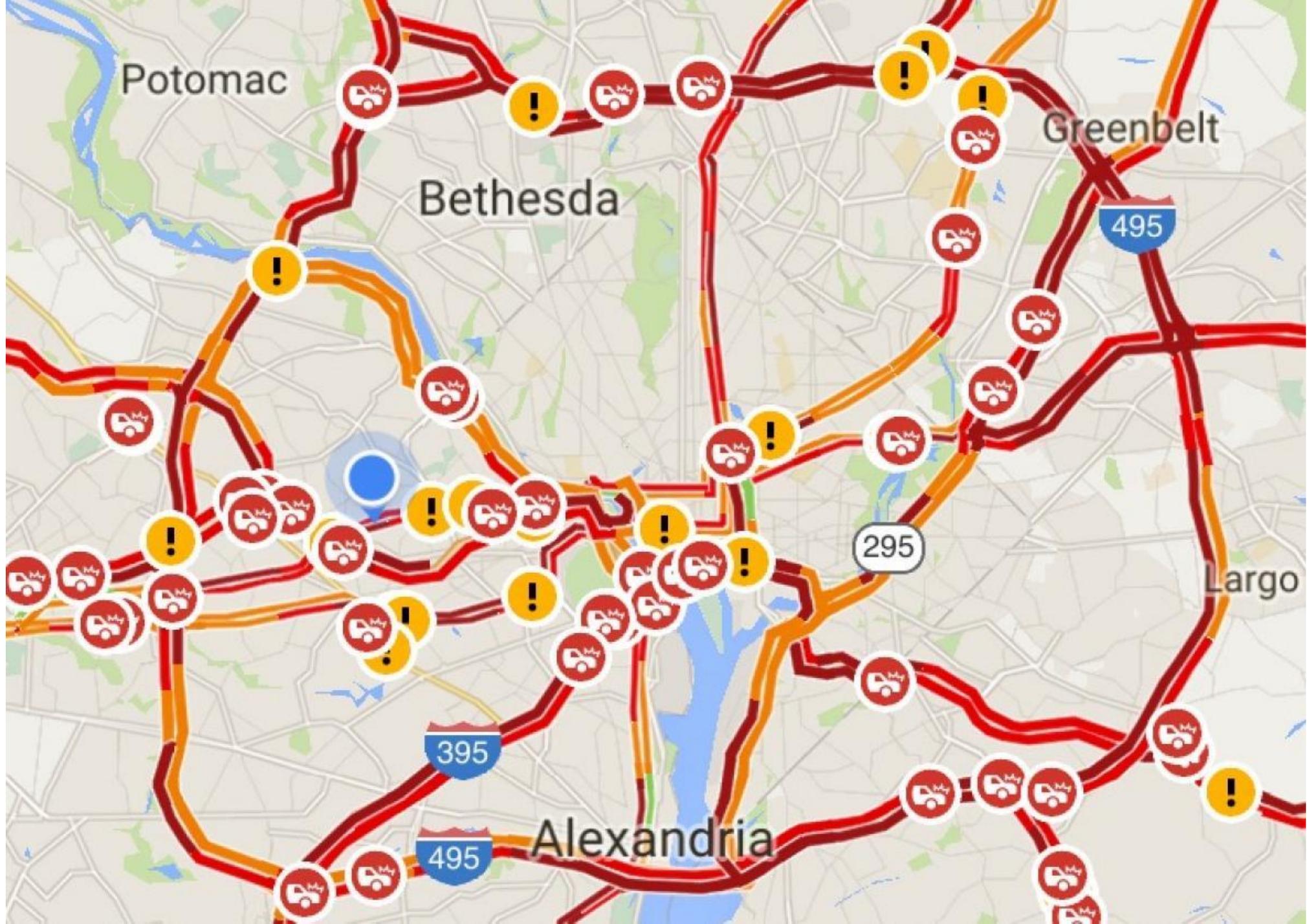


1 moon round trip

= 460,200 mi

= 36% of lifetime miles







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China National Highway 110 traffic jam

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **China National Highway 110 traffic jam** was a recurring^[1] massive [traffic jam](#) that began to form on August 14, 2010, mostly on [China National Highway 110 \(G110\)](#) and [Beijing–Tibet expressway \(G6\)](#), in [Hebei](#) and [Inner Mongolia](#).^{[2][3]} The traffic jam slowed down thousands of vehicles for more than 100 kilometres (60 mi) and lasted for more than ten days.^{[3][4][5]} Many drivers were able to move their vehicles only 1 km (0.6 mi) per day, and some drivers reported being stuck in the traffic jam for five days.^[5] It is considered to be one of the longest traffic jams by some media.^{[6][7][8]}

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Cause [\[edit\]](#)

Traffic on the [China National Highway 110](#) had grown 40 percent every year in the previous several years, making the highway chronically congested.^[5] The traffic volume at the time of the incident was 60% more than the design capacity.^[9]

The cause of the traffic jam was reported to be a spike in traffic by heavy trucks heading to Beijing, along with

In 1894, the *Times of London* estimated that by 1950 every street in the city would be buried nine feet deep in horse manure.

One New York prognosticator of the 1890s concluded that by 1930 the horse droppings would rise to Manhattan's third-story windows.

150,000 horses at 15-30 lbs/day

> 3,000,000 lbs/day



passenger transportation trichotomy

we transport ourselves with the objective of:



communication

to convey or consume information

labor

to physically affect environment

experience

predominantly to "experience"

Transportation
27 Q, 906 GW

(~28% of total
US energy
consumption)

Freight
8 Q, 278 GW

Service, 43 GW

Passenger
17 Q, 568 GW

Rail, 17 GW

Pipeline, 32 GW

Water, 38 GW

Heavy Trucks
6 Q, 190 GW

Air
2 Q, 72 GW

Cars
7 Q, 245 GW

Light Trucks
8 Q, 275 GW

Business
6 Q, 187 GW

Personal
11 Q, 378 GW

Related, 31 GW

To/From Work
2 Q, 79 GW

Service, 43 GW

Vacation, 37 GW

Eat out, 38 GW

Buy Goods
2 Q, 63 GW

Visit Others
2 Q, 66 GW

Labor
5 Q, 154 GW

Experience
5 Q, 164 GW

Communication
8 Q, 251 GW

someday, we will only travel when we want to.

(and transportation energy will plummet)

day 1: telecommunication

day 2: telelabor

opportunities in “telelabor”

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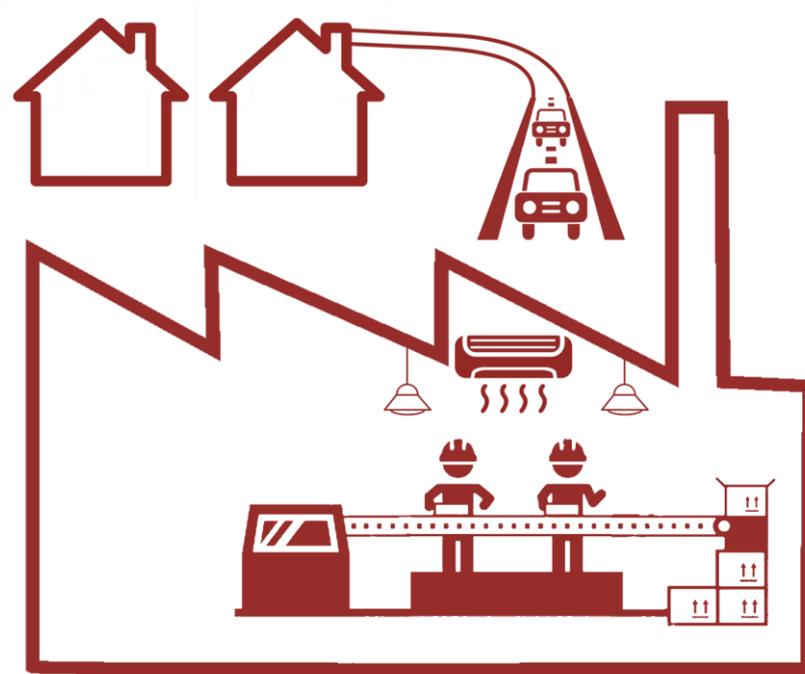
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bring telework to labor jobs



serious limitations

- . hardware cost
- . perception
- . intelligence
- . decision making
- . implementation





let humans do what they're good at,
and leave the rest to robots.

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advantages of telelabor



- . save on passenger travel
- . process intensification
- . save on HVAC
- . save on lighting
- . increase productivity
- . make labor workers happier
- . use cheaper robots
- . less expensive implementation

telelabor makes labor jobs better.
autonomy eliminates them.

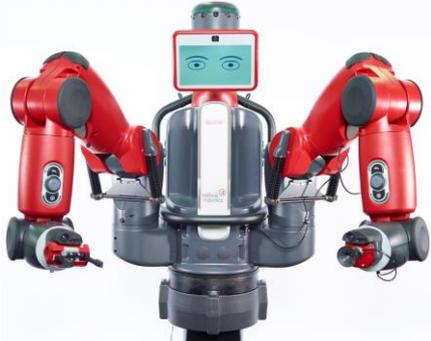
why don't we do this already?

we've **started**, but it's
hard and **expensive**.





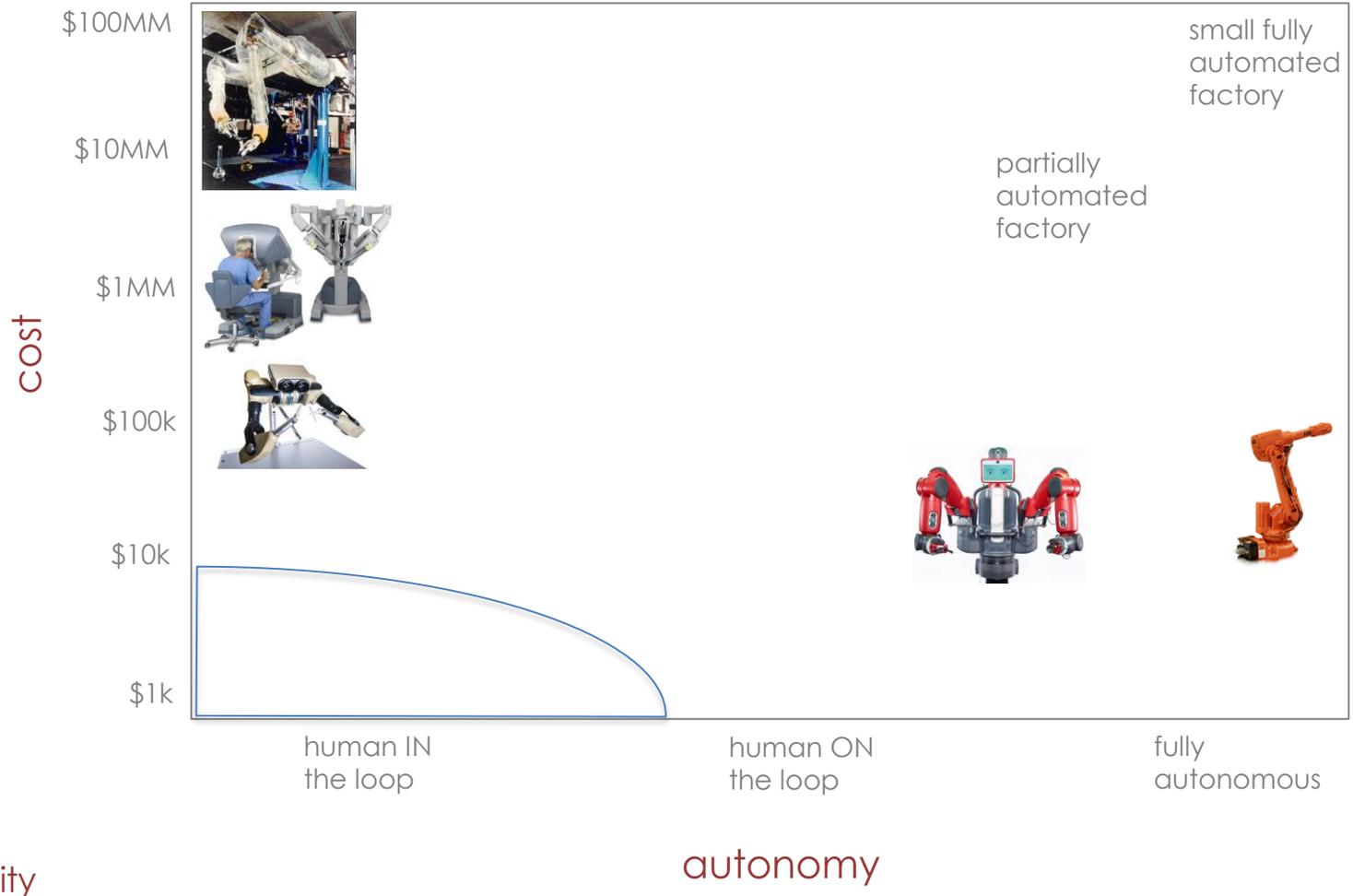




how do we control these manipulators? the human machine interface

- . operator immersion
- . better perception
- . facile controls
- . role of haptics
- . 3d
- . extra-sensory
- . sliding autonomy
- . minimal cognitive loading
- . minimal physical loading

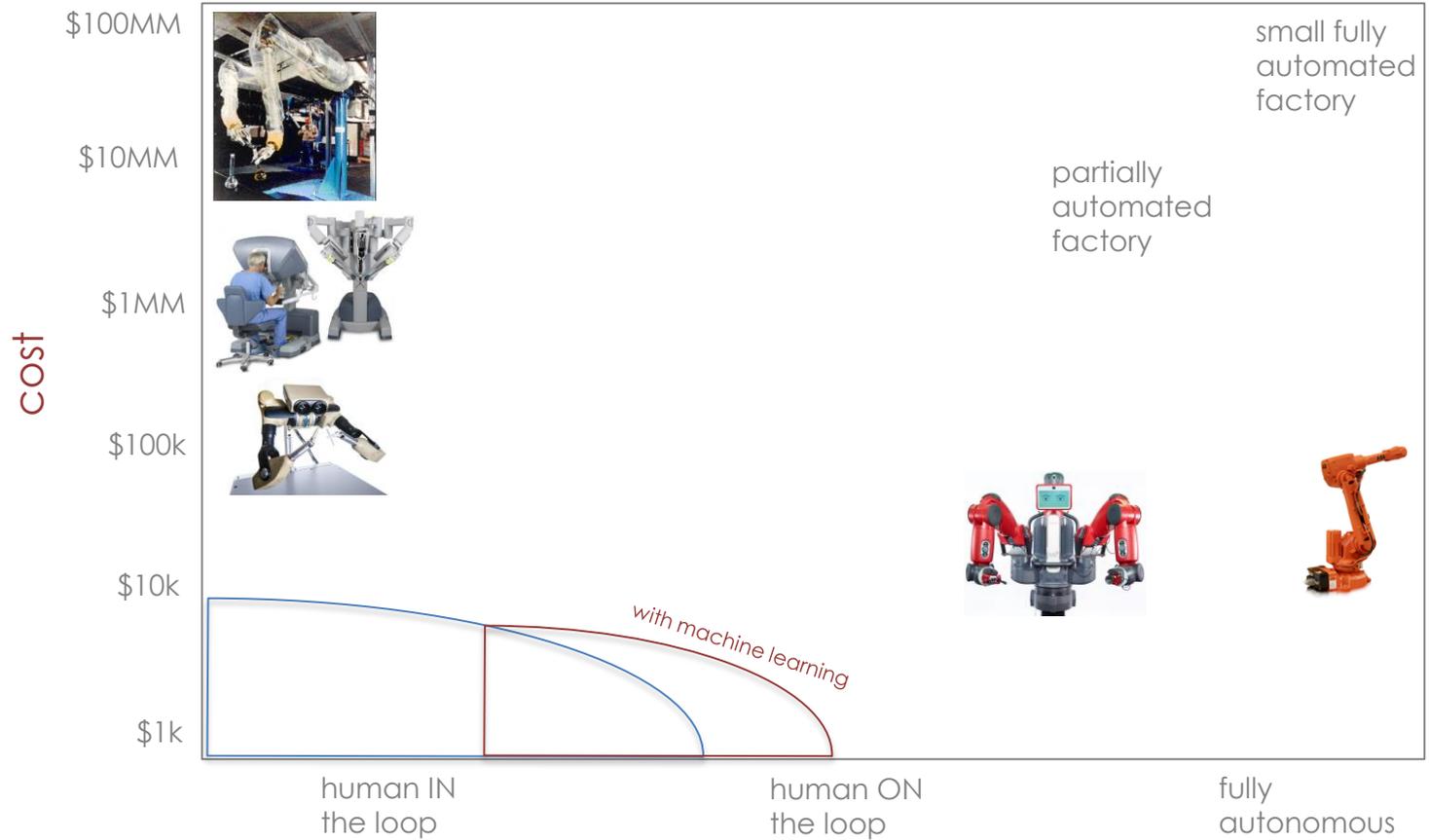
robotic manipulation technical space



3rd axis:
capability

autonomy

robotic manipulation technical space



3rd axis:
capability

autonomy

other applications in energy:

nuclear plants

wind turbine blade inspecting

harsh or dangerous (power lines, oil derrick)

all power plants

dull, dangerous, dirty, ..., lot of that in energy.