Date: September 25, 1974

Project Title: Traffic-Signal Workshop Series

Project No: E-20-529

Principal Investigator: Dr. Peter S. Parsonson

Sponsor: Georgia Office of Highway Safety

Agreement Period: From 8/1/74 Until 7/31/75

Type Agreement: Contract: Project No. 613-75-004-001

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Final Report

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RESEARCH PROJECT TERMINATION

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State Office of Highway Safety
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Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention: Mr. Peter M. Palmer, Highway Safety Planner

Final Report for Project 613-75-004-001,
"Traffic Signal Workshop Series,"

Georgia Tech Sponsored Instruction Project E20-529

Gentlemen:

As required by the contract for the subject project, transmitted herewith is evaluative material pertaining to the recently completed Traffic Signal Workshop Series of four short courses. As in past years, there is included for each workshop a roster of participants, an hour-by-hour course schedule with names of guest lecturers, and a general evaluation by the participants. Copies of letters of evaluation by your Mr. Palmer are also included.

A new feature this year was the use of two traffic-signal training films produced last year by Georgia Tech under a grant from the National Science Foundation. The films were shown in Workshop II and their effectiveness was evaluated by technical examinations administered to each participant. Sample examinations and the average class grades are reported.

Workshop I, "Introduction to Traffic Signalization," was presented on October 7-10, 1974, to 22 participants, of whom two were visitors from the local office of the FHWA. The purpose of this course was to teach in three days the background information needed by engineers and technicians alike. Dr. Parsonson was the Principal Instructor and was capably assisted by Senior Instructor Joseph M. Thomas Jr., and Instructor Bruce E. Friedman, both of Atlanta.

Workshop II, "Servicing of Electro-Mechanical Traffic-Signal Controllers," was presented on December 2-5, 1974, to 24 participants by Principal Instructor Richard McDonnell and Instructor Tom Countess, both of Alabama. Both of these instructors are able to relate very well to servicing personnel. The evaluations by the participants indicated that the course was well received.

Workshop III, "Traffic-Signal Operation at Local Intersections," was presented on March 10-13, 1975, to 20 participants, including an FHWA visitor. It was taught primarily by Dr. Parsonson, with assistance from Joe Thomas. This course has been uniformly successful over the years, and was well received again this year.
Workshop IV, "Traffic-Signal Operation in Coordinated Systems," was presented on May 26-30, 1975, to 19 participants, including one FHWA visitor. As in past years, a number of guest lecturers assisted the Principal Instructor, Dr. Parsonson. Again this year the participants experienced the most difficulty with this course, because of its advanced nature. By necessity, the course places considerable emphasis on digital systems, which are being installed in a number of cities in the state. It is a complex subject, beyond the grasp of the many of the novices who attend this series of short courses.

We feel that the Georgia series of Traffic Signal Workshops met its objectives once again this year. By mutual agreement with Mr. Palmer it has been decided not to extend the series beyond the four consecutive years it has served the state.

We look forward to continuing our relationship with your office in the years to come.

Yours very truly,

Peter S. Parsonson
Associate Professor

cc: Office of Contract Administration
Enclosure
THE DEPARTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION OF THE
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ANNOUNCES A SERIES OF
TRAFFIC SIGNAL WORKSHOPS
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AGAIN FOR
1974-1975
COSPONSORED BY
GEORGIA DIVISION, SOUTHERN SECTION
INSTITUTE OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERS
CONDUCTED BY THE SCHOOL OF CIVIL ENGINEERING
UNDER A TRAINING GRANT FROM THE STATE OFFICE OF
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TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION AND THE FEDERAL
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
Application Form
GEORGIA TRAFFIC-SIGNAL WORKSHOP SERIES, 1974-75

Please Indicate the Desired Workshop:

- INTRODUCTION TO TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION, September 30 - October 3, 1974
- SERVICING OF ELECTRO-MECHANICAL TRAFFIC-SIGNAL CONTROLLERS, December 2 - 5, 1974
- TRAFFIC-SIGNAL OPERATION AT LOCAL INTERSECTIONS, March 10 - 13, 1975
- TRAFFIC-SIGNAL OPERATION IN COORDINATED SYSTEMS, May 26 - 30, 1975

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Brief Description of Present Duties: ____________________________________________________________

Our agency wishes to enroll the above employee in the workshop(s) checked, and certify that he is already working in or identified with the area of traffic control devices and will continue to do this type of work upon completion of this training. Our agency agrees to cooperate with Georgia Tech in the Sponsorship of these workshops by furnishing vouchers for each employee's salary, travel, meals and lodging in connection with his attendance, as explained in this brochure, and will allow an audit of costs shown on vouchers by authorized State or Federal personnel.

Signature and title of responsible agency official:

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Atlanta, Georgia 30332
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___ Check here if you plan to drive a car to the campus

* Necessary for CEU records
WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Workshop I, "Introduction to Traffic Signalization", three days, September 30 - October 3, 1974;

Workshop II, "Servicing of Electro-Mechanical Traffic-Signal Controllers", three days, December 2 - 5, 1974;

Workshop III, "Traffic-Signal Operation at Local Intersections", three days, March 10 - 13, 1975;


ELIGIBILITY FOR ENROLLMENT

The workshops will be open only to employees of state and local governments of Georgia who are already working in or identified with the area of traffic control devices and who will continue to do this type of work upon completion of this training.

There are no other requirements for eligibility; the workshops are intended for traffic officers and traffic technicians as well as professional personnel.

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

The first workshop, "Introduction to Traffic Signalization", will cover in three days the background information needed by both engineers and technicians. It is an orientation course that should be taken by any newcomer to this field, no matter what his level or area of specialization. Those who are or who will become service technicians will go on to take "Servicing of Electro-Mechanical Traffic-Signal Controllers". While those who are engineers or timing technicians will chose to take "Traffic-Signal Operation at Local Intersections",...
followed by "Traffic-Signal Operation in Coordinated Systems".

Detailed course outlines of the introductory course and the subsequent three workshops are included in this brochure.

"Servicing of Electro-Mechanical Traffic-Signal Controllers" is aimed at technicians desiring further training in the maintenance, trouble-shooting, repair, and installation of electro-mechanical/electronic controllers. Solid-state equipment is not included. Equal attention will be given to pretimed and actuated equipment.

"Traffic-Signal Operation at Local Intersections" is intended for the engineer or technician who is interested in the proper selection of controller and in setting its timing functions so as to move traffic safely and efficiently. This workshop will focus on the choice of phasing for pretimed, semi-actuated, basic full-actuated and volume-density controllers at isolated intersections. Demand controllers and their long-loop presence detectors are also emphasized.

"Traffic-Signal Operation in Coordinated Systems" covers the various schemes for interconnecting a series of signalized intersections in order to minimize stops and delays. After a discussion of time-space diagrams and the coordination of pretimed controllers, attention will turn to the coordination of vehicle-actuated controllers. Emphasis will be placed on synchrolizers and the concept of the background cycle as the foundation for learning the operation of traffic-adjusted systems later in the course.

CLASSROOM FACILITIES

All four workshops will be held in Georgia Tech's new Traffic Signal Laboratory in the School of Civil Engineering. This facility is equipped with controllers, detectors, demonstration boards and audio-visual
equipment valued at over $25,000. The circuitry of the controllers is representative of elector-mechanical/electronic, solid state, and modular designs; equipment from many manufacturers is included.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHOD

The introductory course will be limited to 30 participants and the other three to 20 participants each. These limitations are necessary because of the "workshop" nature of the courses and the emphasis on "hands on" familiarity with the equipment. Participants in each course spend many hours in workshop sessions with the same types of controllers and detectors as are used throughout the State. Lectures, demonstrations, written practice problems, field exercises and workshop sessions are woven together to produce maximum learning in the time available. Evenings are left free.

REGISTRATION

The workshops are offered free of charge. This has been made possible by a training grant from the State Office of Highway Safety. Under the training grant, the state and local agencies that send employees to the workshops will be considered co-sponsors of the project along with Georgia Tech. The expenses of these agencies for salary, travel, meals and lodging will therefore qualify as state or local project expenses and will generate Federal matching funds to cover the costs of the workshops. Instead of paying tuition, the agencies that send employees to the workshops need contribute to the project only by documenting their expenses for the employee's salary, travel, meals and lodging in connection with the courses.
COURSE OUTLINES

INTRODUCTION TO TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION

- Purposes and General Features of Traffic Signals
- Required Phases and Sequences; Work Problem
- Operation of Pretimed Controllers; Phase Sequencing
- Workshop Session on Pretimed Controllers; Cam Breakout
- Signal Systems Advantages, General Features
- Coordination of Pretimed Controllers
- Detector Hardware and Installation
- Timing of Basic Actuated Controllers; Film
- Multi-Phase Actuated Controllers; Film
- Field Trips to Local Signalized Intersection
- Special Interval Units; Split Phasing
- Slides on the Uniform Manual
- Signal Display and Placement
- Coordination of Semi-Actuated Controllers
- Introduction to Traffic-Adjusted Systems
- Intersection Layout and Installation Planning
- Introduction to Troubleshooting and Bench Repair
- Basic Electric Circuitry; Test Equipment
- Maintenance and Repair of Pretimed Controllers
- Circuitry of E/M Actuated Controllers
- Maintenance and Repair of E/M Actuated Controllers
- Introduction to Solid State Equipment

SERVICING OF ELECTRO-MECHANICAL TRAFFIC-SIGNAL CONTROLLERS

Pretimed Controllers - One-Half Day
  Review of Operation; Field Troubleshooting; Preventive Maintenance; Repair in Field and Shop
Actuated Controllers - One Day
  Two-Phase Controllers: Operation, Timing Circuits, Troubleshooting, Maintenance, Repair
  Multi-Phase Controllers: Operation, Circuitry, Troubleshooting, Maintenance, Repair
Accessory Equipment - One-Half Day
  Special Interval Units; Coordination Devices, Detectors
Installation - One Half Day
  Grounding, Bonding, Lightning Protection
  Georgia Specifications
  Field Equipment, Tools, Personnel
Troubleshooting - One-Half Day
  Periodic Inspections, Field and Shop
  Emergency Procedures: Priorities
  Recordkeeping

TRAFFIC-SIGNAL OPERATION AT LOCAL INTERSECTIONS

- Timing of Pretimed Intervals; Work Problem
- Phase Capacity; Work Problem
- Location of Small-Area Detectors
TRAFFIC-SIGNAL OPERATION IN COORDINATED SYSTEMS

- Characteristics, Warrants and Design-Date Needs
- Time-Space Diagrams
- Coordination of Pretimed Controllers
- Principles of Coordination of Actuated Controllers
- Traffic-Adjusted Systems Using Only Volume
- Coordination of Full-Actuated Controllers
- Computer Aids to Time-Space Calculations
- Optically Limiting Signals
- Calculations for Network Coordination
- Traffic Parameters For Advanced Systems
- Advanced Traffic-Adjusted Analog Systems
- Communication-System Technology; Multiplexing
- Applications of Digital Computers
- Case Studies of Recent Centralized Systems
- Factors in the Selection of Advanced Systems
- Field Trips to an Arterial System and to Atlanta's Digital Computer for Traffic Control and Surveillance

FACULTY

All of the workshops are under the direction of Dr. Peter S. Parsonson, an Associate Professor in Georgia Tech’s School of Civil Engineering.

Dr. Parsonson has taught traffic engineering to university students and short course groups for several years and is a consultant to several cities and counties in Georgia.

Georgia Tech has retained two specialists in signal maintenance and repair to teach the course in servicing. Richard McDonnell, formerly president of Highway Traffic and Safety Corporation, Atlanta, will be the principal lecturer. Over the past 25 years, Mr. McDonnell has been employed by two major equipment manufacturers and a leading consultant. He will be assisted
by Tom Countess of Temple & Son Electric Co., Inc., Decatur, Alabama.

Dr. Parsonson will be the principal lecturer in the other three workshops. He will be assisted by several traffic engineers well known in the Southeast such as Archie Burnham, Bruce Friedman, Harold Raynor, Tom Stout and Joe Thomas.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS TO BE AWARDED FOR EACH OF THESE PROGRAMS: 3.2 for Workshop IV and 2.4 each for Workshop I, II and III

These programs will be assigned continuing education units as required by Standard Nine of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. A continuing education unit (CEU) is defined as ten contact hours of participation in an organized continuing education experience under responsible sponsorship, capable direction and qualified instruction.

The number of CEU's indicated above will be recorded in the name of each registrant who successfully completes a workshop. An official transcript of CEU's earned in Georgia Tech Programs can be obtained from the Registrar.

HOUSING, MEALS AND PARKING

Hotel and motel reservations should be made directly by the registrant. Full information on nearby hotels and motels will be included in registration acknowledgments. Meals are available at reasonable prices in campus dining facilities. Parking permits valid in a designated parking area will be issued to registrants who indicate they will drive a car to the campus.
Department of Continuing Education

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

TRAFFIC SIGNAL WORKSHOPS

1974-1975

announces a series of workshops

constructed in the School of Civil Engineering under a training grant from the State Office of Highways Safety, which administers the Highway Safety Program provided by the National Highway Administration and the Federal

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City Traffic Associate Engineer
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INSTRUCTOR
Bruce E. Friedman
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JHK & Associates
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### COURSE SCHEDULE

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GENERAL EVALUATION

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   If no, why? ________________________________________________________________

2. Supervision and planning of the course:

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   Comments: ________________________________________________________________

3. Overall Instruction . . . . . . . . Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor

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   Specific Instruction - Comments: ____________________________________________

4. Physical Facilities . . . . . . . . Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor

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   Comments: ________________________________________________________________
5. Was the material generally presented at the correct level for this group?
   Yes 17  No 0
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6. Would you recommend that your organization send other people to a course of this kind in the future?
   Yes 16  No 1
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7. Overall value of the course to you. Please state in your own words.
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8. Suggestions for improvement of the course.
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9. Where did you first learn of this course?
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   Word of mouth _____
   Brochure _____
   Company Personnel Department _____
   Other ___________________________
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December 2-5, 1974

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December 2-5, 1974

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December 4, 1974

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Re: Highway Safety Project No. 613-75-004-001, Workshop II, "Servicing of Electro-Mechanical Traffic-Signal Controllers"

Dear Pete:

It was a pleasure visiting with you during the presentation of a session of the subject workshop.

I feel your guest lecturers Messrs. Countess and McDonnell are very capable, interesting and effective. The schedule arrangement, use of numerous teaching aids, relatively informal presentation and participation from the students, and field trips tend to keep the workshop moving quite effectively. The teacher-student communication, as a result, appears to be very good.

I feel I can conclude that the objectives of subject project are being effectively accomplished.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Palmer  
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PMP:bc

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GENERAL EVALUATION

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TRAFFIC-SIGNAL OPERATION AT LOCAL INTERSECTIONS
March 10-13, 1975

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Operation of Actuated Traffic Signals
at Local Intersections
Part I - Basic Actuated Controllers

CIRCLE THE LETTER OF THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. This film deals with:
   a) Small-area detectors only
   b) Small-area detectors operated in the pulse mode only
   c) Loop detectors only
   d) Motion detectors only
   e) Presence detectors only

2. A basic actuated controller:
   a) Counts all of the waiting cars
   b) Counts only the first waiting car
   c) Counts only the cars that arrive with a certain minimum speed
   d) Counts only cars that arrive during green or yellow
   e) Counts only the cars that arrive after relay closure

3. A locking detector memory circuit:
   a) Locks a call into the controller's memory
   b) Locks a call into the detector's memory
   c) Is found only on electro-mechanical equipment
   d) Is found only on solid-state equipment
   e) Unlocks as soon as the vehicle leaves the detection area

4. The Minimum Assured Green is long enough to discharge:
   a) All of the cars waiting
   b) All of the cars actually waiting between detector and stop line
   c) All of the cars possibly waiting between detector and stop line
   d) A single car approaching at normal speed
   e) A single car trapped between detector and stop line

5. The Greenshields formula \( t = 4 + 2n \):
   a) Applies primarily to truck traffic on upgrades
   b) Is used to calculate the Minimum Assured Green
   c) Is used to calculate the Vehicle Interval
   d) Is used to calculate the Clearance Interval
   e) Is used to calculate the Initial Interval

6. A basic actuated controller has a timing adjustment labeled:
   a) Minimum Assured Green
   b) Initial Interval + Vehicle Interval
   c) Variable Initial Interval
   d) Initial Interval
   e) Minimum Initial Interval

CLASS AVERAGE = 78%
7. The Vehicle Interval is:
   a) Set to be $4 + 2n$
   b) The start-up time for the first waiting vehicle
   c) The passage time from detector to stop line
   d) The average time between discharging vehicles
   e) Normally set to be equal to the Initial Interval

8. For a 100-foot detector set-back the Minimum Assured Green is normally:
   a) 3 to 4 seconds
   b) 6 seconds, assuming speeds under 30 mph
   c) 14 seconds
   d) 30 seconds, assuming a 60-second cycle
   e) 50 to 60 seconds

9. The Minimum Assured Green is timed to be:
   a) Whatever that timing adjustment is set to
   b) Half the cycle length
   c) The Initial Interval
   d) The Initial Interval plus one Vehicle Interval
   e) The period until the detector memory relay unlocks

10. Cars that are waiting beyond the detector when the signal goes green will:
    a) Be trapped
    b) Reset the Initial Interval
    c) Reset the Vehicle Interval
    d) Reset the Minimum Assured Green
    e) Clear the intersection during the Maximum Interval

11. A full-actuated controller normally leaves the green:
    a) On the main street
    b) On the cross street
    c) On the street with the longer Minimum Assured Green
    d) On the street with the longer Maximum Interval
    e) On the street that last called for it

12. The Vehicle Interval is in effect:
    a) The start-up time of the first waiting vehicle
    b) The allowable gap
    c) The same as the Initial Interval
    d) The sum of the Initial Interval and the Minimum Assured Green
    e) The Maximum Interval minus the Minimum Assured Green

13. If the green is terminated by the Maximum Interval then:
    a) The yellow is extended to assure clearance
    b) The Vehicle Interval is extended to assure clearance
    c) The green is automatically returned at the earliest opportunity
    d) The last vehicle is trapped unless there is a calling detector
    e) The green is automatically returned at the end of the next Minimum Assured Green
14. If there is waiting traffic, and a Vehicle Interval times out, then the green will:
   a) "Max out"
   b) "Gap out"
   c) "Cop out"
   d) Rest or dwell on that street
   e) Return to the street with the green at the earliest opportunity

15. A normal Vehicle Interval setting is:
   a) 1 second
   b) 3 to 4 seconds
   c) 6 to 8 seconds
   d) 14 seconds
   e) 50 to 60 seconds

16. The Maximum Interval of a full-actuated controller begins to time:
   a) At the start of green
   b) At the end of the Minimum Assured Green
   c) Upon gap-out
   d) At the earliest opportunity
   e) Upon arrival of a waiting vehicle

17. If the approach speed is 30 mph, detectors for a full-actuated controller should be placed:
   a) 3 to 4 seconds of travel time back from the stop line
   b) At the stop line
   c) 10 seconds of travel time back from the stop line
   d) 120 feet back from the stop line
   e) 160 feet back from the stop line

18. If the approach speed is 45 mph:
   a) A basic actuated controller is usually desirable
   b) An advanced actuated controller is usually desirable
   c) There is no need to count waiting vehicles
   d) The Initial Interval must not be variable
   e) The detectors should be placed close to the stop line

19. Semi-actuated controllers have detectors:
   a) On all approaches to the intersection
   b) On the main street only
   c) On the side street only
   d) At the stop line of the side street only
   e) At the stop line of the main street only

20. A semi-actuated controller will cause the green to rest or dwell:
   a) On the main street
   b) On the side street
   c) On the street with the longer Minimum Assured Green
   d) On the street with the longer Maximum Interval
   e) On the street that last called for it
21. A semi-actuated controller:
   a) Allows the main street to extend its green to the Maximum Interval
   b) Times the main street green as the Initial Interval plus one
      Vehicle Interval
   c) Receives no information on main street demand
   d) Is appropriate if side street traffic is heavy
   e) Is appropriate if main street and side street volumes are about equal

22. The detectors for a semi-actuated controller:
   a) Are located the same as for a full-actuated controller
   b) Are set back more than those for a full-actuated controller
   c) Are set back less than those for a full-actuated controller
   d) Are located at the stop line
   e) Must be motion detectors operating in the pulse mode

23. A controller's recall switch should be used to:
   a) Keep traffic moving in the event of a detector failure
   b) Make it unnecessary to repair a failed detector
   c) Convert a semi-actuated controller into a full-actuated one
   d) Change a Minimum Artery Green into a Minimum Assured Green
   e) Make it unnecessary to install a calling detector

24. The WALK interval in a pedestrian-actuated phase:
   a) Is long enough for the pedestrian to walk from curb to curb
   b) Is long enough for the pedestrian to walk to the center of the farthest
      traveled lane
   c) Is long enough for the pedestrian to clear any vehicles that may be
      turning across his path during that phase
   d) Is long enough for the pedestrian to see the WALK signal and react to
      it by taking the first step off the curb.
   e) Is long enough for the pedestrian to cross the street, plus 7 seconds
      for perception-reaction time.

25. The flashing DON'T WALK interval in a pedestrian-actuated phase:
   a) Warns the pedestrian that he must return to the curb from which he came
   b) Warns pedestrians on the curb against starting to cross
   c) Is displayed only during the yellow vehicle change interval for that
      phase
   d) Is displayed only during the vehicle interval that follows the initial
      interval
   e) Is optional at the discretion of the traffic engineer
Operation of Actuated Traffic Signals
at Local Intersections
Part II - Advanced Actuated Controllers

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1. An advanced actuated controller, as compared to a basic one:
   a) Is better able to measure the demand of waiting traffic
   b) Can have its detectors set back a greater distance
   c) Is more responsive to high-speed traffic
   d) Is more responsive to high-volume traffic because it is better able to spot gaps in moving traffic
   e) Has all of the advantages listed above

2. An advanced actuated controller:
   a) Counts all of the cars waiting between detector and stop line
   b) Counts only the first waiting car
   c) Counts only the cars that arrive with a certain minimum speed
   d) Counts only cars that arrive on Phase A
   e) Counts only the cars that arrive on Phase B

3. An advanced controller times:
   a) A fixed Initial Interval
   b) A variable Initial Interval
   c) No Initial Interval at all
   d) An Initial Interval equal to Last Car Passage
   e) An Initial Interval dependent upon the rate of gap reduction

4. An advanced controller times a Passage Time that is:
   a) Constant from cycle to cycle
   b) Variable from cycle to cycle
   c) Dependent on the number of cars waiting
   d) Fixed by the speed of the first car waiting
   e) In effect the allowable gap

5. Variable Initial Interval is especially desirable:
   a) For up-grade approaches with heavy truck traffic
   b) At multi-legged intersections
   c) If pedestrian timing is omitted
   d) For low-speed approaches
   e) For high-speed approaches
6. Variable Initial Interval helps to keep greens short:
   a) During periods of heavy traffic
   b) During periods of light traffic
   c) At approaches with short detector set-backs
   d) In the absence of a calling detector
   e) When that phase has to be placed on Recall to Maximum

7. The setting of the Maximum Initial Interval:
   a) Depends on the approach speed
   b) Depends on the passage time
   c) Depends on the detector set-back
   d) Is normally 70 to 90 seconds
   e) Is a safety limit to the green when a gap does not appear

8. The ability of an advanced controller to time a variable Initial Interval:
   a) Removes the 30 mph limitation on approach speeds
   b) Removes the 120-foot limitation on detector set-backs
   c) Gives both of these benefits
   d) Gives neither of these benefits
   e) Gives the additional benefit of Last Car Passage

9. The "dilemma zone" at an intersection approach:
   a) Is avoided by installing a calling detector
   b) Is associated with the yellow change interval
   c) Is associated with speeds under 30 mph
   d) Is avoided by the use of time-waiting gap reduction
   e) Is usually indicated by painting the curbing yellow

10. The key to solving the dilemma-zone problem is to:
    a) Detect traffic before it enters the dilemma zone
    b) Extend the yellow interval
    c) Add an all-red clearance interval
    d) Count the number of cars waiting
    e) Post a lower speed limit

11. A detector set-back of at least 5 seconds of passage time:
    a) Will usually produce sluggish signal operation
    b) Ensures an appropriate allowable gap
    c) Helps to solve the dilemma-zone problem
    d) Should be used only with basic actuated controllers
    e) Falls close to the center of the dilemma-zone cloud

12. "Density controller" is a manufacturer's term for:
    a) A basic controller with "speed control" feature
    b) Any advanced actuated controller
    c) A controller with Last Car Passage
    d) A controller with variable Initial Interval
    e) A controller with separate timing adjustments for passage time and allowable gap
13. An advantage of a "density" controller is that it permits:
   a) A long Minimum Initial Interval
   b) A long green and a short yellow
   c) A long passage time and a short allowable gap
   d) A short passage time and a long allowable gap
   e) A short passage time and a short allowable gap

14. A detector placement of about 7 seconds of passage time:
   a) Will usually produce sluggish signal operation
   b) Tends to minimize stops during light traffic conditions
   c) Tends to cause rear-end collisions
   d) Tends to cause right-angle collisions
   e) Ensures an appropriate allowable gap

15. Most "density" controllers reduce the allowable gap in proportion to:
   a) The approach speed (inversely)
   b) The distance the detector is set back
   c) The length of time waiting on the red
   d) The time since the start of the green
   e) The ratio of Initial Interval to Passage Time

16. The fact that the allowable gap cannot begin to decrease until the end of the variable Initial Interval:
   a) Is of little importance in actual practice
   b) Is an incentive to keep the Minimum Initial Interval short
   c) Is an incentive to keep the Minimum Initial Interval long
   d) Means that the Minimum Allowable Gap should be held to no less than 5 to 7 seconds
   e) Is the main argument in favor of Last Car Passage

17. As the allowable gap decreases during the green:
   a) The controller is simultaneously reducing the passage time from the detector to the stop line
   b) The controller is simultaneously increasing the passage time
   c) Moving traffic must meet a rising standard of flow efficiency in order to hold the green
   d) Moving traffic must meet a falling standard of flow efficiency in order to hold the green
   e) The time headway between vehicles must decrease in order for the green to hold

18. Upon gap-out the Last Car Passage feature:
   a) Changes the signal to yellow
   b) Extends the yellow to one Passage Time in length
   c) Affects intersection capacity rather than safety
   d) Gives the car waiting just beyond the detector enough additional green time to avoid being trapped
   e) Gives the car that most recently crossed the detector a safe passage through the dilemma zone.
19. The Maximum Interval of a "density" controller should:
   
   a) Normally be set at 30 seconds
   b) Be set low enough so that it usually expires before there is a gap-out
   c) Be set high enough so that it seldom expires before there is a gap-out
   d) Normally be set slightly higher than the Maximum Initial Interval
   e) Normally be set just equal to the time to reduce the allowable gap,
      plus one Last Car Passage time

20. Some advanced controllers are able to reduce the allowable gap on the basis of:

   a) The length of time waiting on the red
   b) The number of vehicles waiting on the red
   c) The density of the moving traffic
   d) All of the above
   e) None of the above
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Dear Pete:

The visit of May 28, 1975 during a session of the subject workshop was a pleasure.

As has been the case in previous Workshops in the series, I was impressed by the numerous simulated signal configurations found in the Workshop. The manner of presentation and the opportunity afforded each participant for direct hands on familiarity with the various types of equipment is also very good.

It is felt that the series of four (4) Signal Workshops funded under the subject project have been a success. Of course, a follow-up evaluation will be conducted in the near future by contacting participants who have completed all or any of the Workshops.

If I can be of further assistance, please advise.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Palmer
Highway Safety Planner

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