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# VIEWPOINT ON PARIS REGION SITUATION

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10% population growth expected to 2040 (INSEE)

**Which sustainable transportation solutions for the suburbs?**



## One century of urban sprawl

- Paris region in brief
- Growing suburbs
- A region led by its suburbs

## Mobility and rush hour

## Which solutions for the suburbs?



# PARIS REGION IN BRIEF



## Current figures

**12 000** km<sup>2</sup> territory

**1 300** local authorities

**11.6 million** inhabitants

→ around **18%** of France population

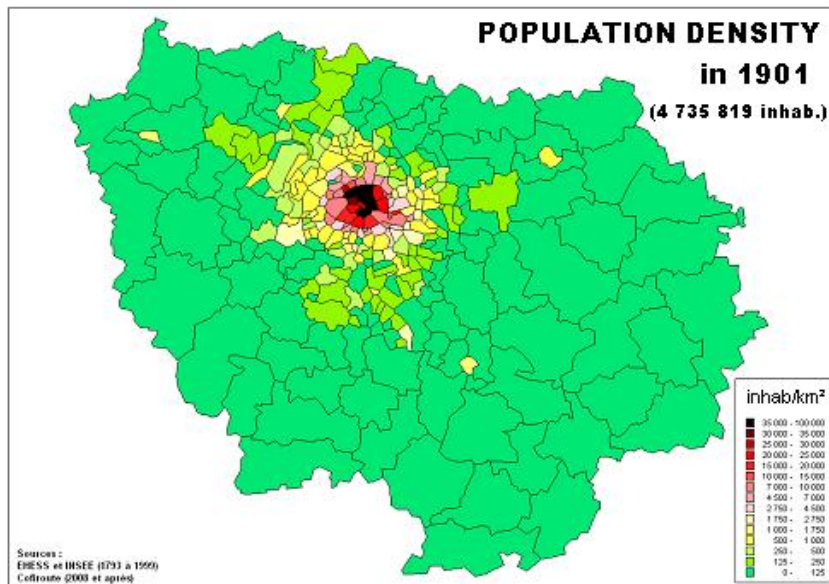
**5.6 million** jobs

→ around **30%** of GDP

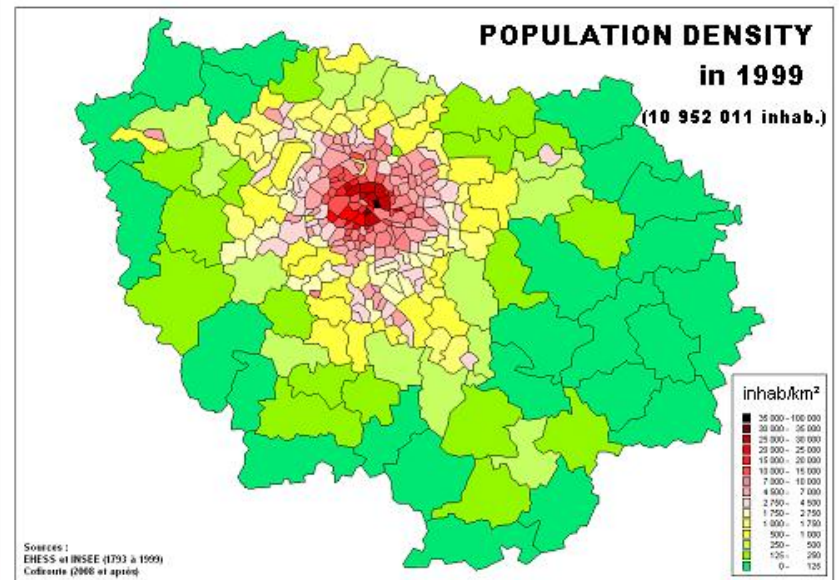




# GROWING SUBURBS



From 5 million inhabitants in 1901

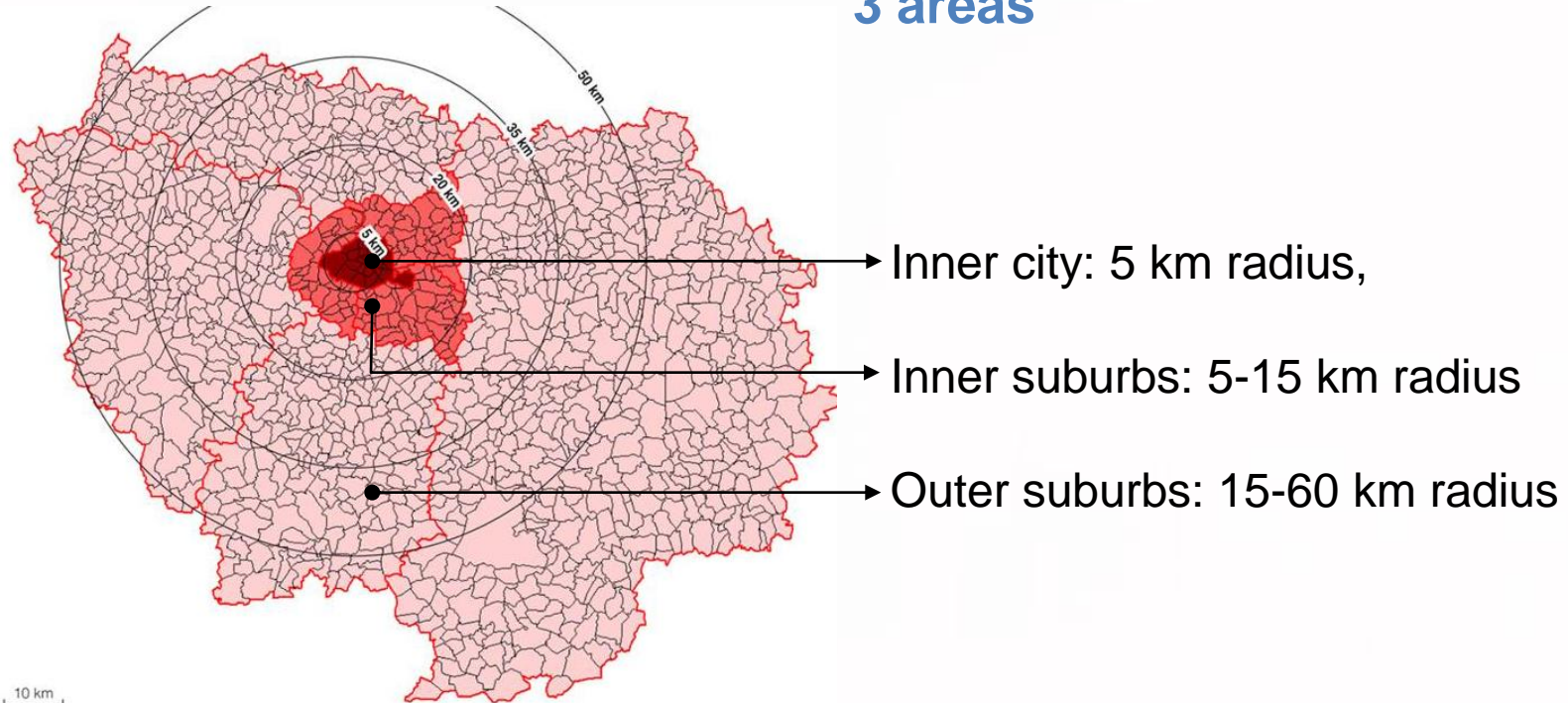


To 11 million inhabitants in 1999



# GROWING SUBURBS

## 3 areas



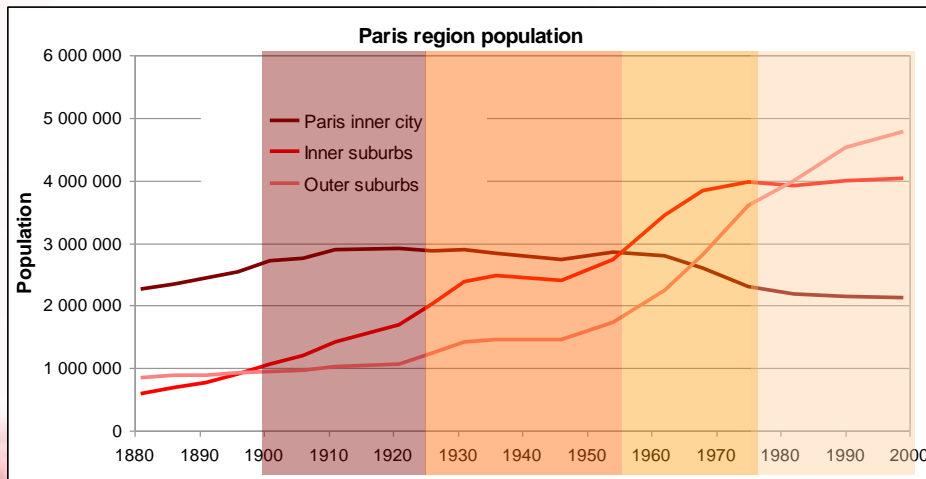
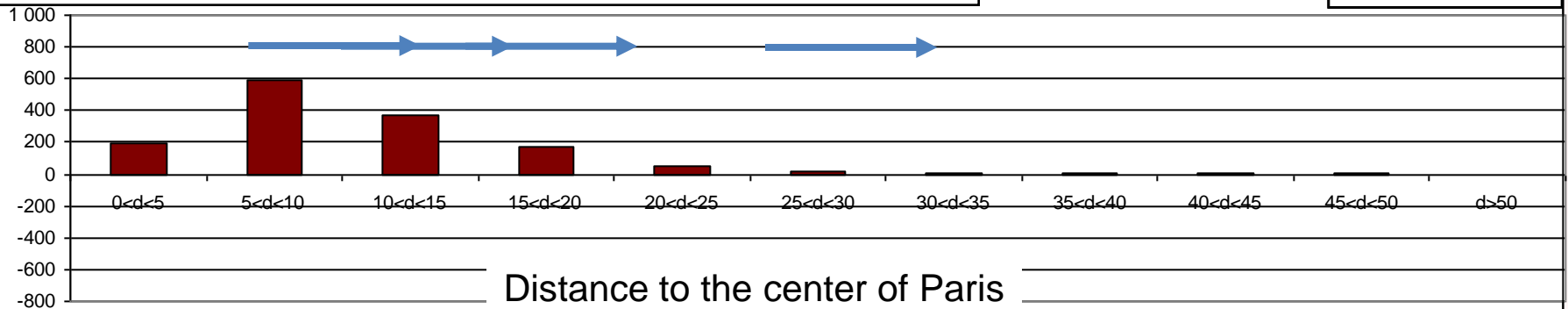
**Focus of this presentation are the Suburbs**



# GROWING SUBURBS

Growth of population by ring (1,000 residents)

1999 / 1975

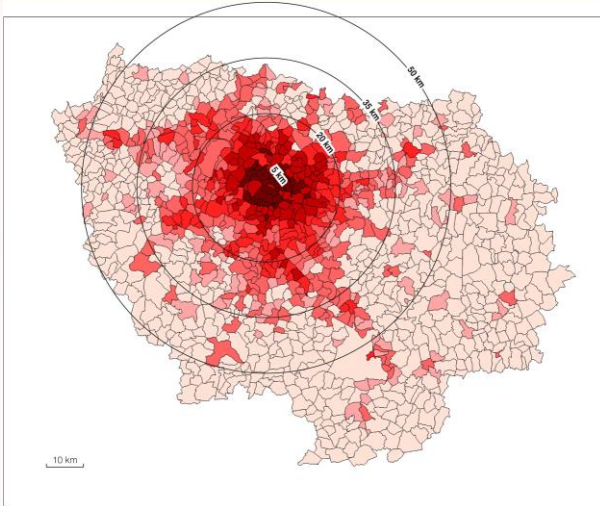


## In one century:

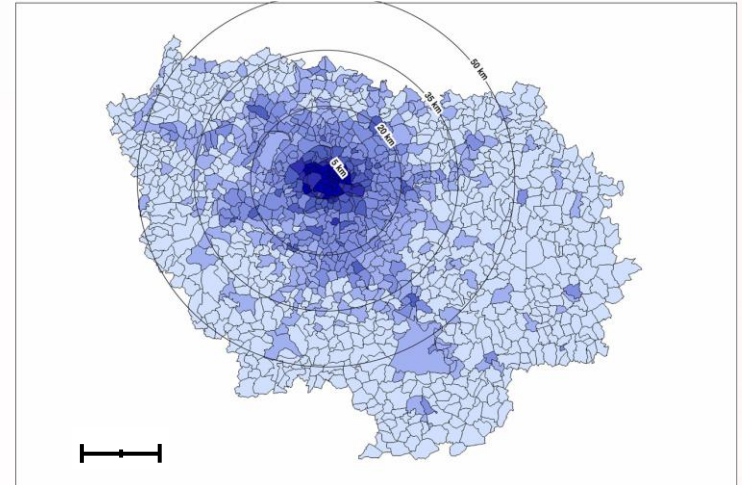
- Paris inner city lost **1** million people (-**33%**)
- Suburbs gained **7** million people (**+350%**)



# A REGION LED BY ITS SUBURBS



**Population**



**Employment**

## Key figures

**80%** of population in suburbs

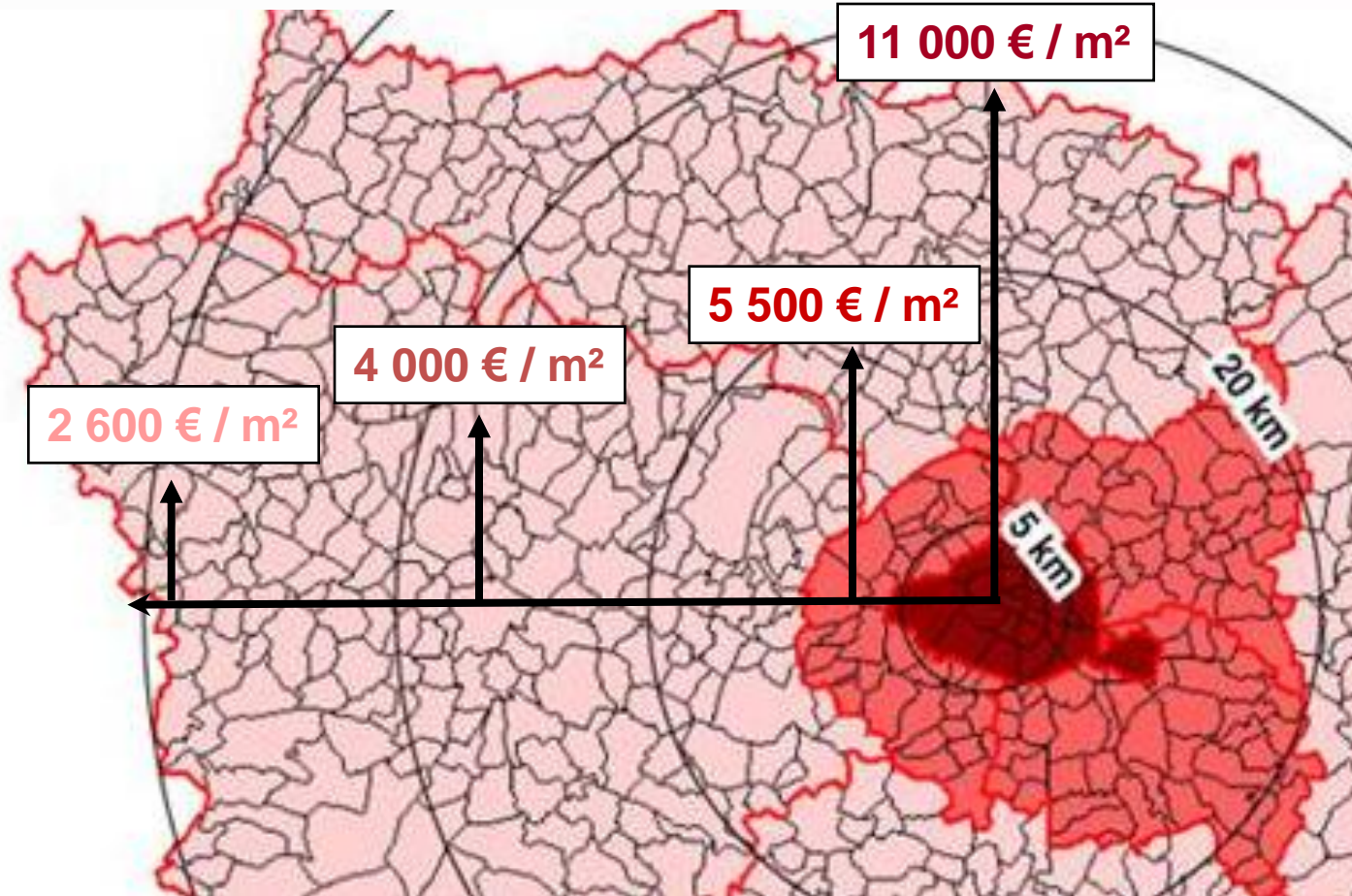
**67%** of jobs in suburbs

**Factor 80** between inner city and suburbs densities





# QUEST FOR SQUARE METERS



## One century of urban sprawl

### Mobility and rush hour

- Drastic changes within the suburbs
- Mobility statistics at rush hour
- Drastic differences in modal shares
- Efficient mobility system in Paris
- Mobility system of the suburbs

### Which solutions for the suburbs



# DRASTIC CHANGES WITHIN THE SUBURBS

## From 1976 to 2001 :

Population : **+ 10%** by mean for the region

Traveled distances : **+ 50%** by mean for the region

## Within outer suburbs since 1976

Population : **+ 30%**

Traveled distances : **+ 110%**

Transport demand within outer suburbs represents **30%** of traveled distances of the region



# MOBILITY STATISTICS AT RUSH HOUR

## For commuters

### Non- motorized modes (walking, cycling)

- **11%** of daily trips
- But only **1%** of traveled distances

### Motorized modes

- **9 of 10** daily trips
- about **100 %** of traveled distances
  
- **30 min** per trip by the road
- **60 min** per trip by the **railway**
  
- **25%** of home-to-work trips over **1 hour**, **+40%** since 1976



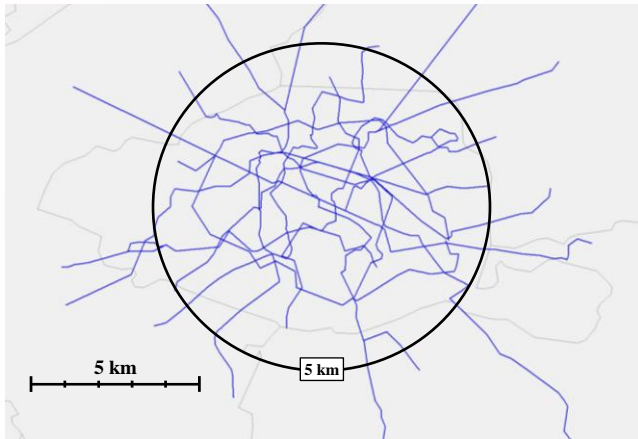


# DRASTIC DIFFERENCES IN MODAL SHARES

Link	Road			Rail	Traveled distances 1,000 km	Densities pers. + jobs / km <sup>2</sup>
	Bus	Car & Moto	Total			
Paris	14%	31%	45%	<b>55%</b>	9 000	<b>43 000</b>
Paris - Suburbs	2%	37%	39%	<b>61%</b>	50 000	
Suburbs	6%	79%	<b>85%</b>	15%	100 000	<b>600</b>



# EFFICIENT MOBILITY SYSTEM IN PARIS



A multimodal system for **high densities**

A **dense railway network** accessible from anywhere – less than 5 min walking

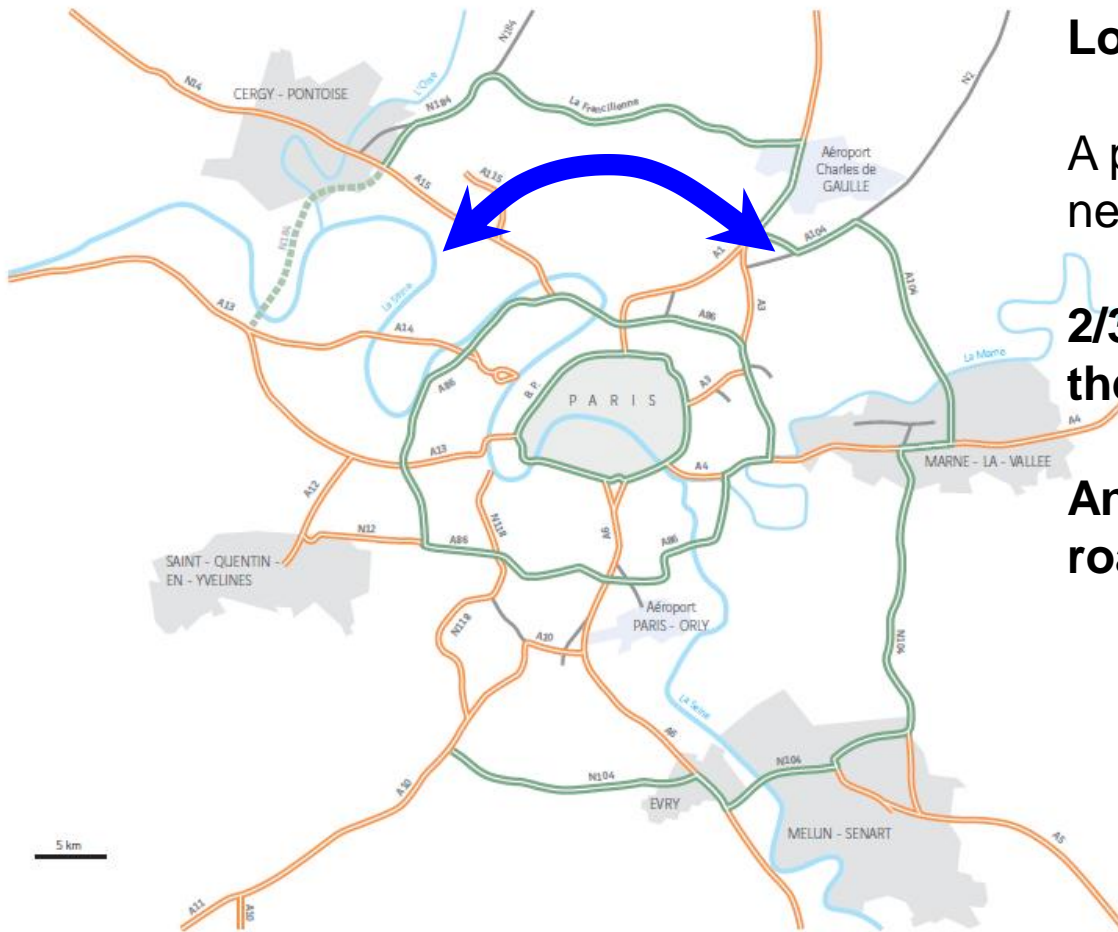
Buses services

**Bicycles sharing service**

**Electric vehicles sharing service** coming soon



# MOBILITY SYSTEM OF THE SUBURBS



**Low densities**

**A poorly accessible radial rail network**

**2/3 of demand for trips within the suburbs**

**An easily accessible dense road network**



One century of urban sprawl

Mobility and rush hour

Which solutions for the suburbs

- Greater Paris mass transit project
- The road - a multimodal infrastructure to optimize
- Focus on promising initiatives





# WHICH SOLUTIONS FOR THE SUBURBS

## Issue

Which transportation system for the suburbs as efficient than the one of Paris inner city ?



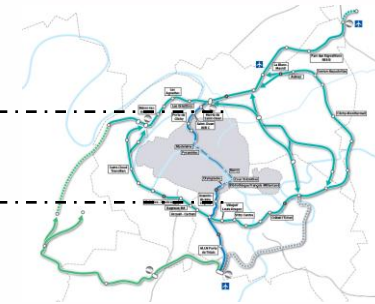
# GREATER PARIS MASS TRANSIT PROJECT

## Automatic metro by 2025

175 line km to extend the 1 700 km existing rail network

Improvements of existing rail transports

€32.4 billion



5 km

According to project owner

15% of its passengers are expected to come from road traffic

Thus an essential project within inner suburbs to

- Reduce congestion in mass transit transport
- Density rail network

But now how efficiently to

- Reduce congestion on the road
- Connect the suburbs to this future rail mass transit network



# THE ROAD - A MULTIMODAL INFRASTRUCTURE TO OPTIMIZE

## Paris region road network

- A dense and accessible network with underused potential
- Around **800 km of existing expressways**

## Ideas

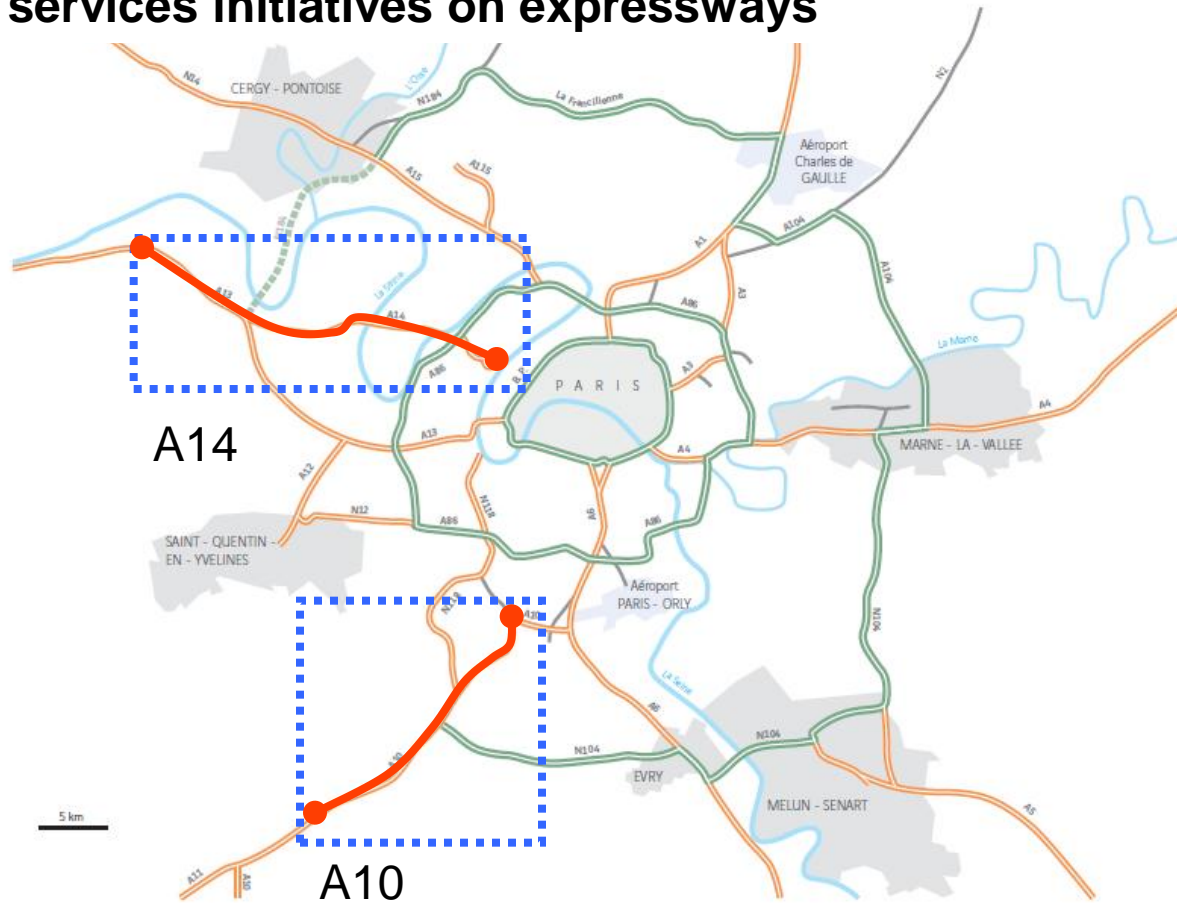
- New operating modes to manage capacity at rush hour
- Optimize road capacity by fostering buses services and carpooling

**But today buses represent only 5% of traveled distances**



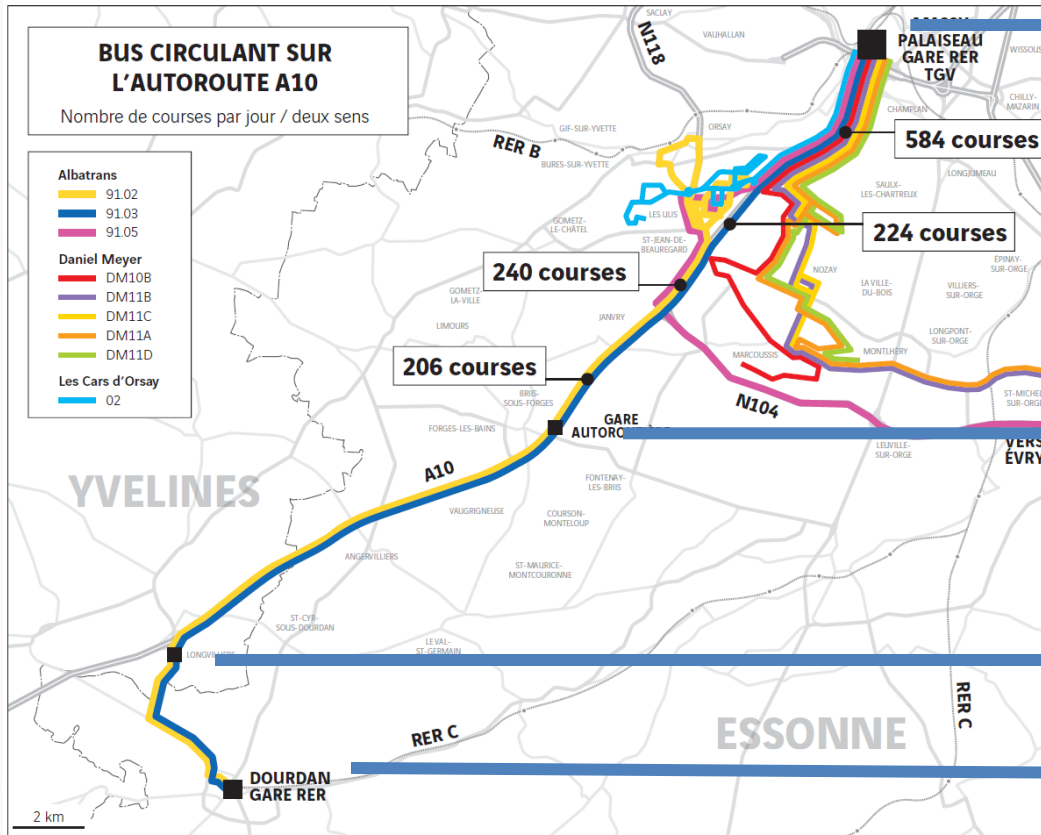
# FOCUS ON PROMISING INITIATIVES

## Buses services initiatives on expressways





# FOCUS ON PROMISING INITIATIVES



Rail mass transit network



Road station

Carpooling parking

Rail mass transit network



# FOCUS ON PROMISING INITIATIVES

## Limits

**Buses** do not benefit of **an exclusive lane** and thus are **stopped by congestion** at peak hour



# CONCLUSION AND OUTLOOKS

## **International good practices have shown efficiency of managed lanes for high occupancy vehicles**

- Buses and carpooling can increase road lane capacity from 1,800 to 4,000 passengers per hour
- Managed lanes for high occupancy vehicles can foster development of these modes
- If needed, at peak hour, high level of service in managed lanes can be preserve by means of a dynamic toll

## **Such optimized road operation modes have been successful implemented in :**

- Canada, Ontario
- Across the United States, Minnesota, California, Washington
- **And Spain, Madrid**



Thank you for your attention

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