

VARIABILITY OF BEHAVIOURAL PARAMETERS IN EGRESS SIMULATIONS OF STADIUMS

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Notable Stadium Disasters in the Past Three Decades



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2018	Estádio da Luz Stadium (Portugal)
2018	Bendigo Stadium (Australia)
2018	Metlife Stadium (USA)
2017	Scotstoun Stadium (Scotland)
2017	Manchester Stadium (UK)
2012	Port Said Stadium (Egypt)
2010	Chinnaswamy Stadium (India)
2001	Accra Sports Stadium (West Africa)
1992	Armand Cesari Stadium (France)
1991	Oppenheimer Stadium (South Africa)
1989	Hillsborough Stadium (UK)

Causes of Stadium Disasters



Fire

Weather

Terrorism

Structural

Crowd Crush

Stadium Financial and Safety Considerations

Safety Through Design

Adhering to Egress and Capacity Standards and Benchmarks



Procedural Safety
Signage, Staff,
Security Measures, etc.

Financial Implications
Larger Capacity = Higher
Potential Revenue

Stadium Guidelines and Standards

International

- The Green Guide



<https://www.spservices.co.uk/imzages/products/pics/1304951394bo450.jpg>

National

- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA 101)



<https://www.nfpa.org/>

Local Jurisdictions (Ex: Provincial or State)

- Example: Ontario Building Code (OBC)



Experimental Trials



Two Trials (attendance 20,000+)

Trial One – 92% capacity

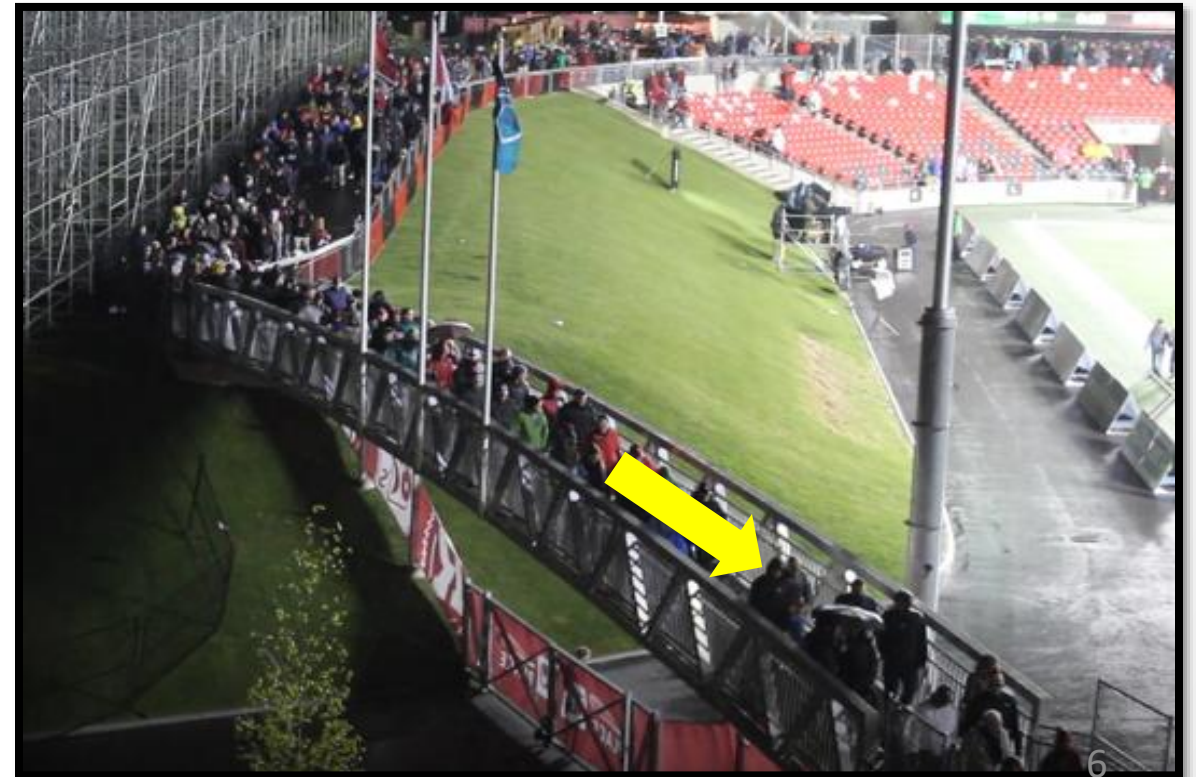
Trial Two – 97% capacity

Three Exit Points

High resolution cameras captured egress routes and exits

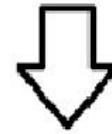
Trial One – Heavy rainfall

Trial Two – One exit closed



Experimental Results

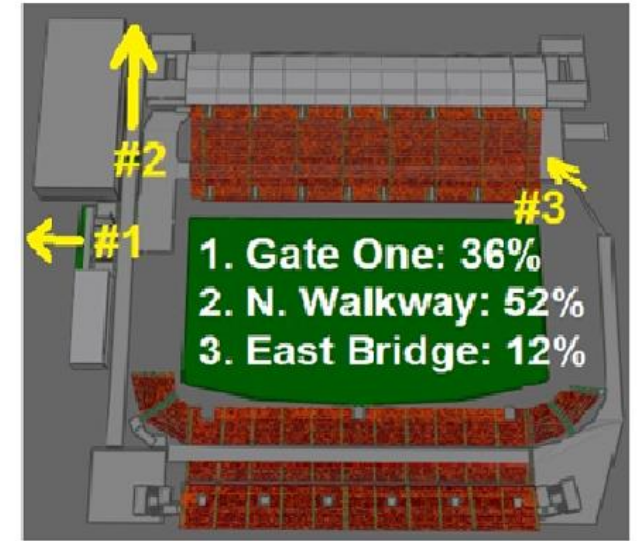
Ingress



Egress



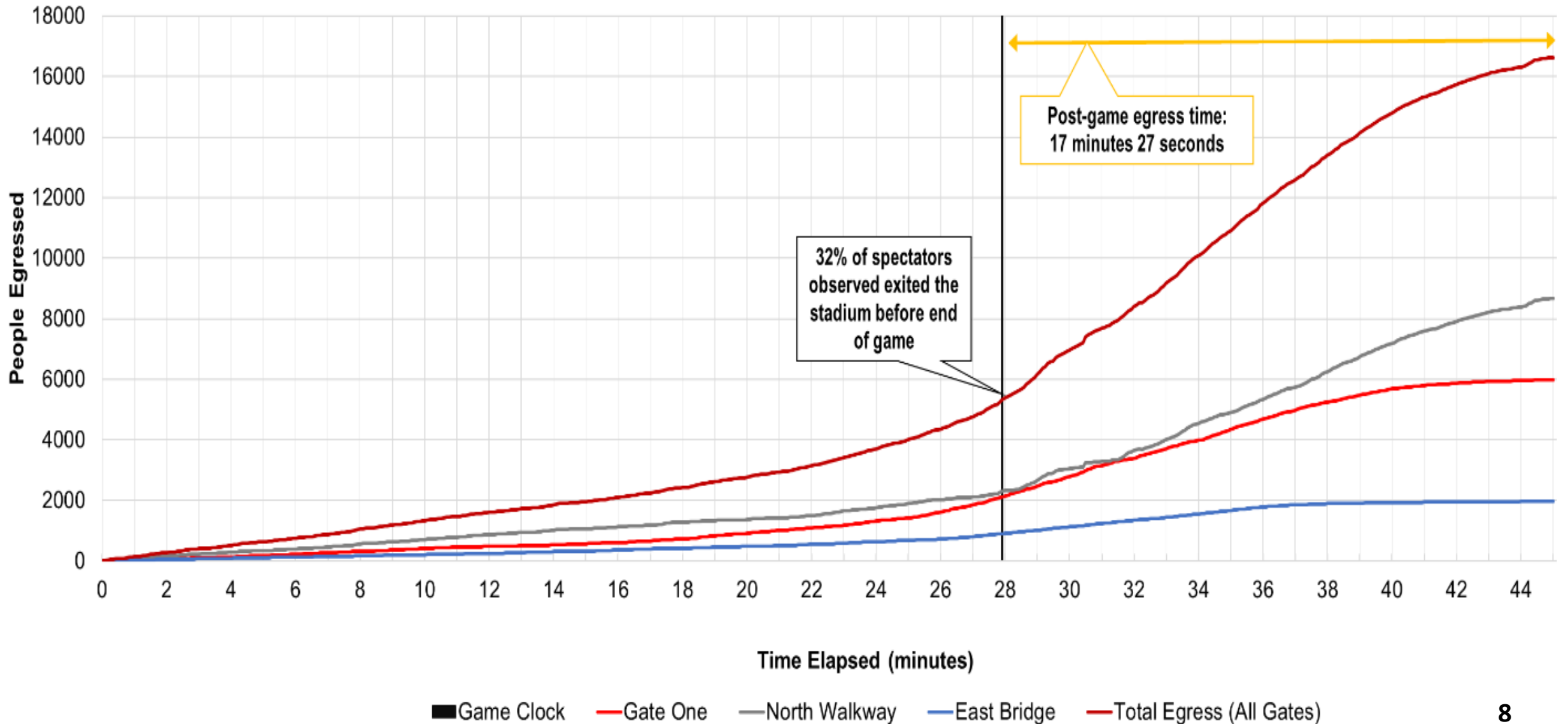
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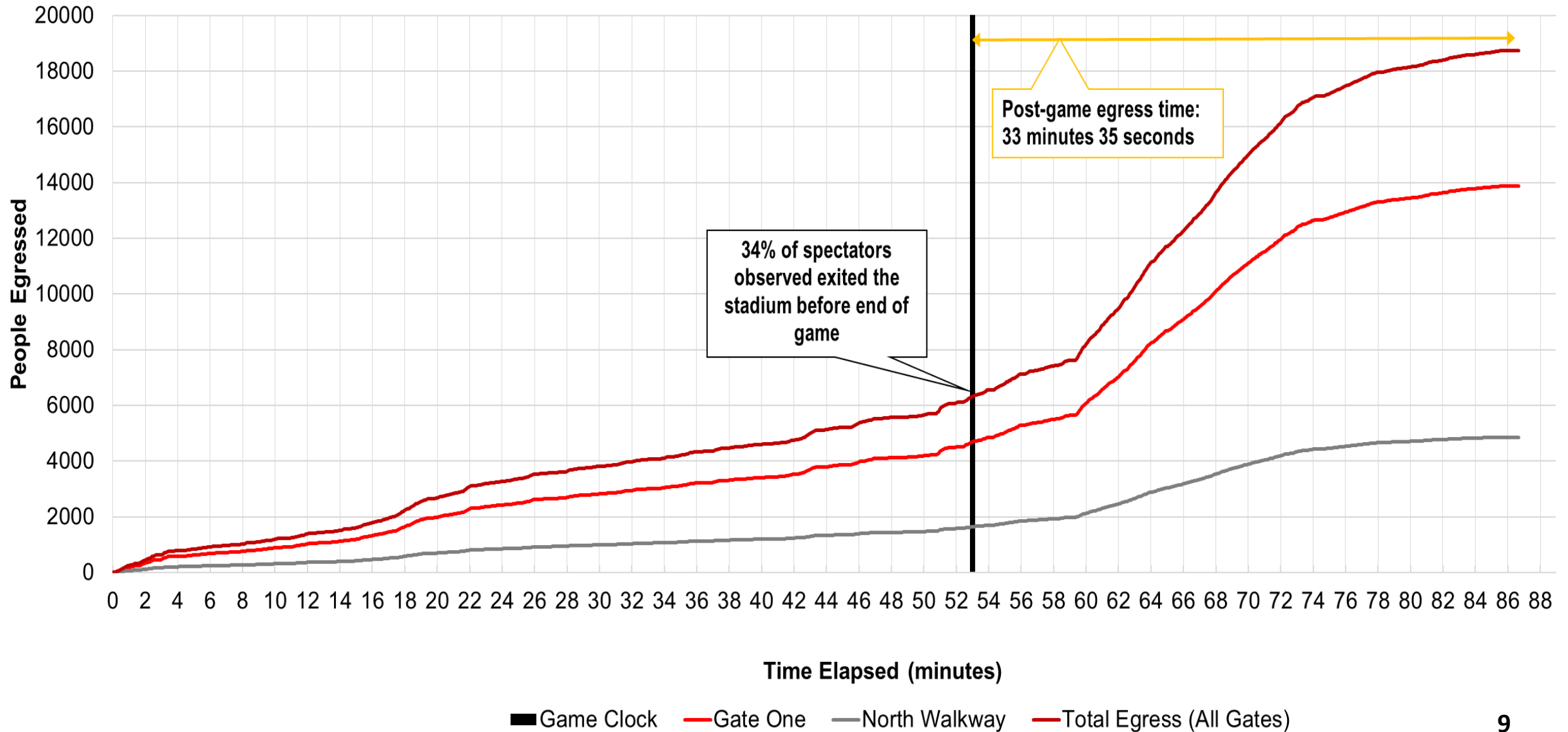
Trial Two



Experimental Results (Trial One)



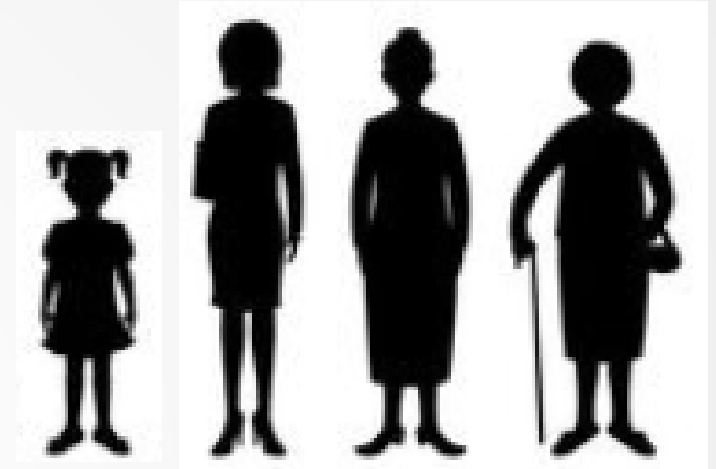
Experimental Results (Trial Two)



Modeling With MassMotion Pedestrian Software

Walking Speeds

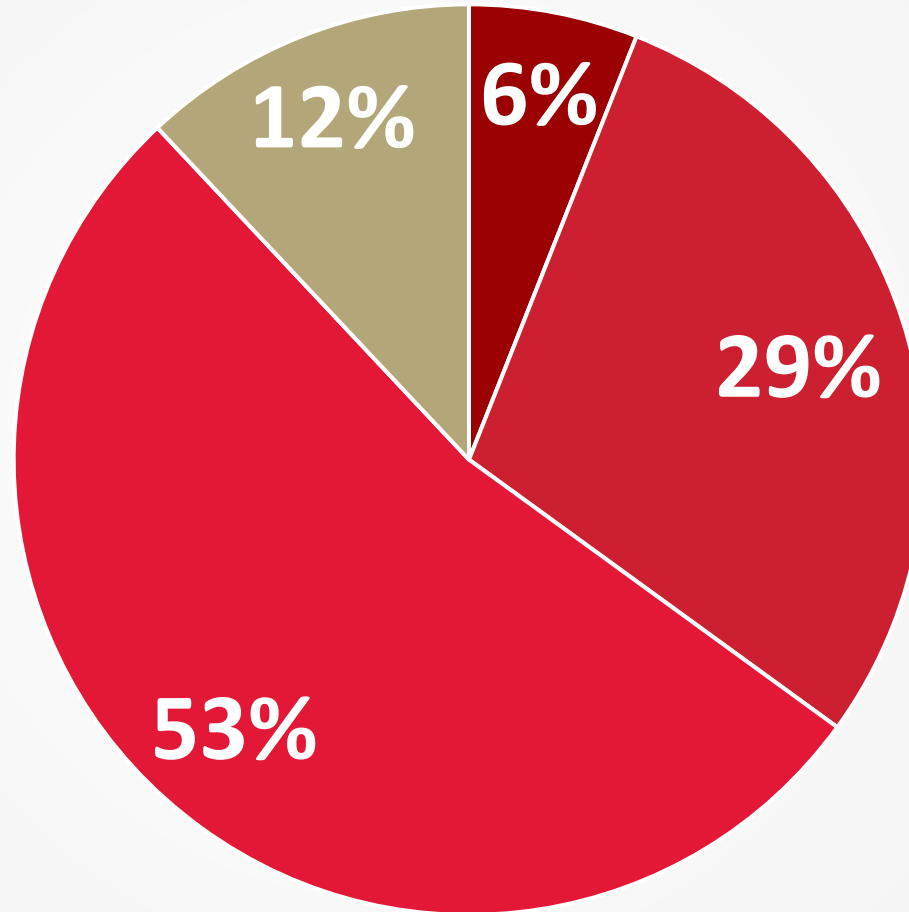
Fruin, Ando



% Spectators that had started Egress	Time (s)
Minimum	5
10%	10
30%	17
50%	26
70%	38
90%	57
Maximum	70

Pre-Movement Time
Situation Specific Set

Demographics of Trials

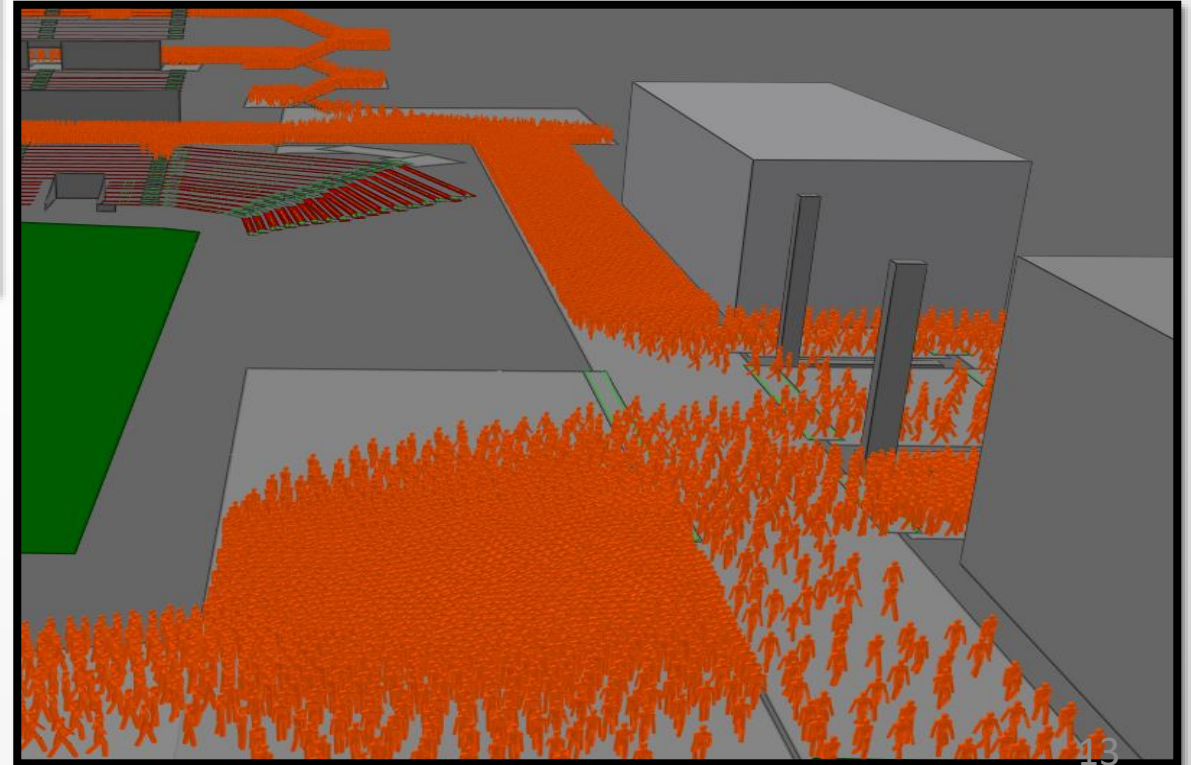


■ Children ■ Young Adult ■ Adult ■ Elderly

Validation Simulations

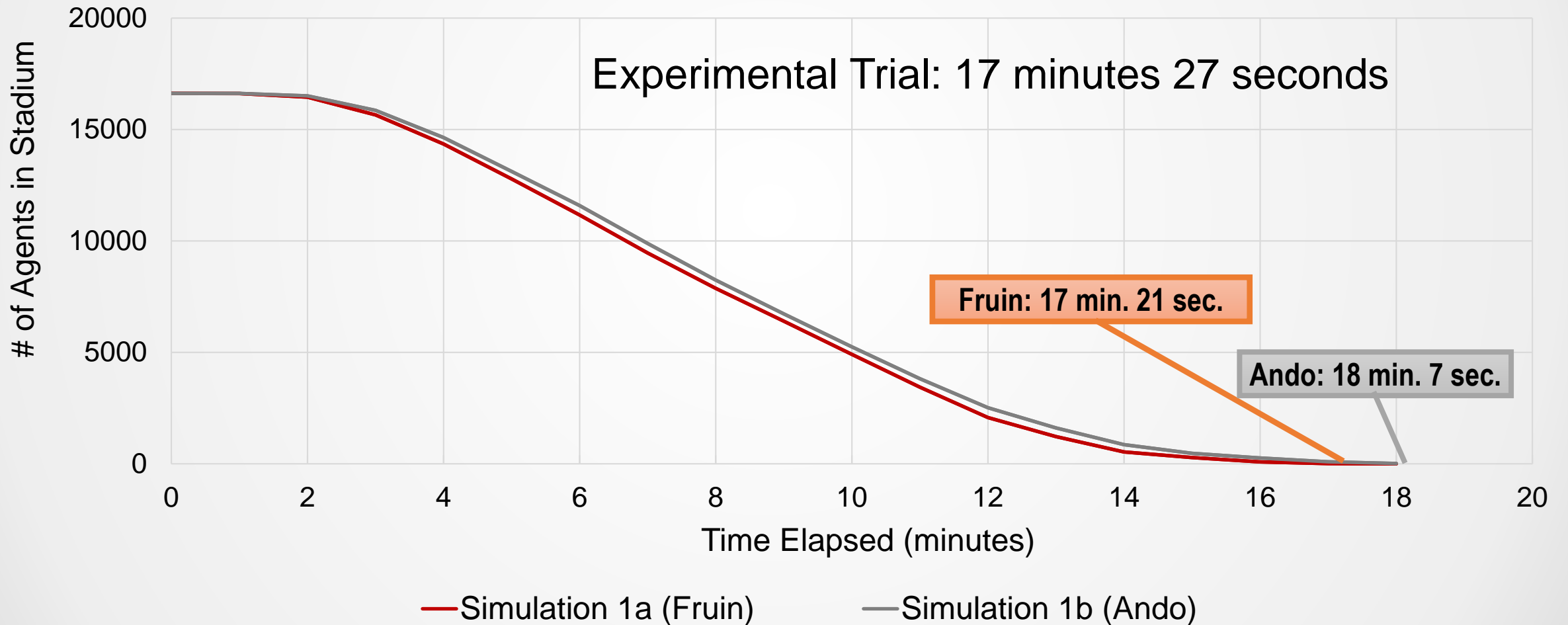
Simulation Number	Agent Speeds Applied	Demographics	Population Count	Exits Open or Closed
1a	Fruin	n/a	Trial One event actual number of spectators left in stadium at final game buzzer	All open
1b	Ando	As observed at events	Trial One event actual number of spectators left in stadium at final game buzzer	All open
2a	Fruin	n/a	Trial Two event actual number of spectators left in stadium at final game buzzer	East bridge closed
2b	Ando	As observed at events	Trial Two event actual number of spectators left at in stadium at final game buzzer	East bridge closed

Modeling Qualitative Validation



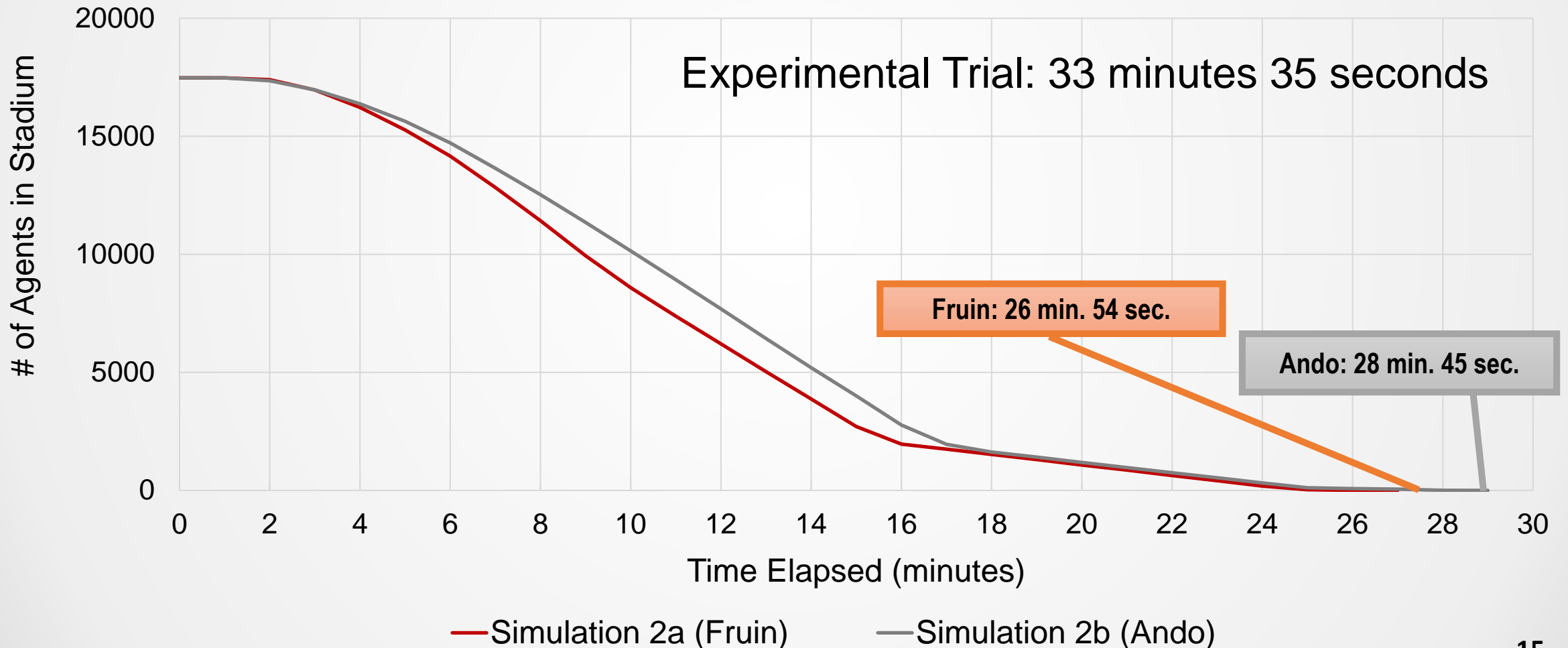
Validation Simulations

Simulation 1: Population of Stadium During Egress Trial One



Validation Simulations

Simulation 2: Population of Stadium During Egress Trial Two

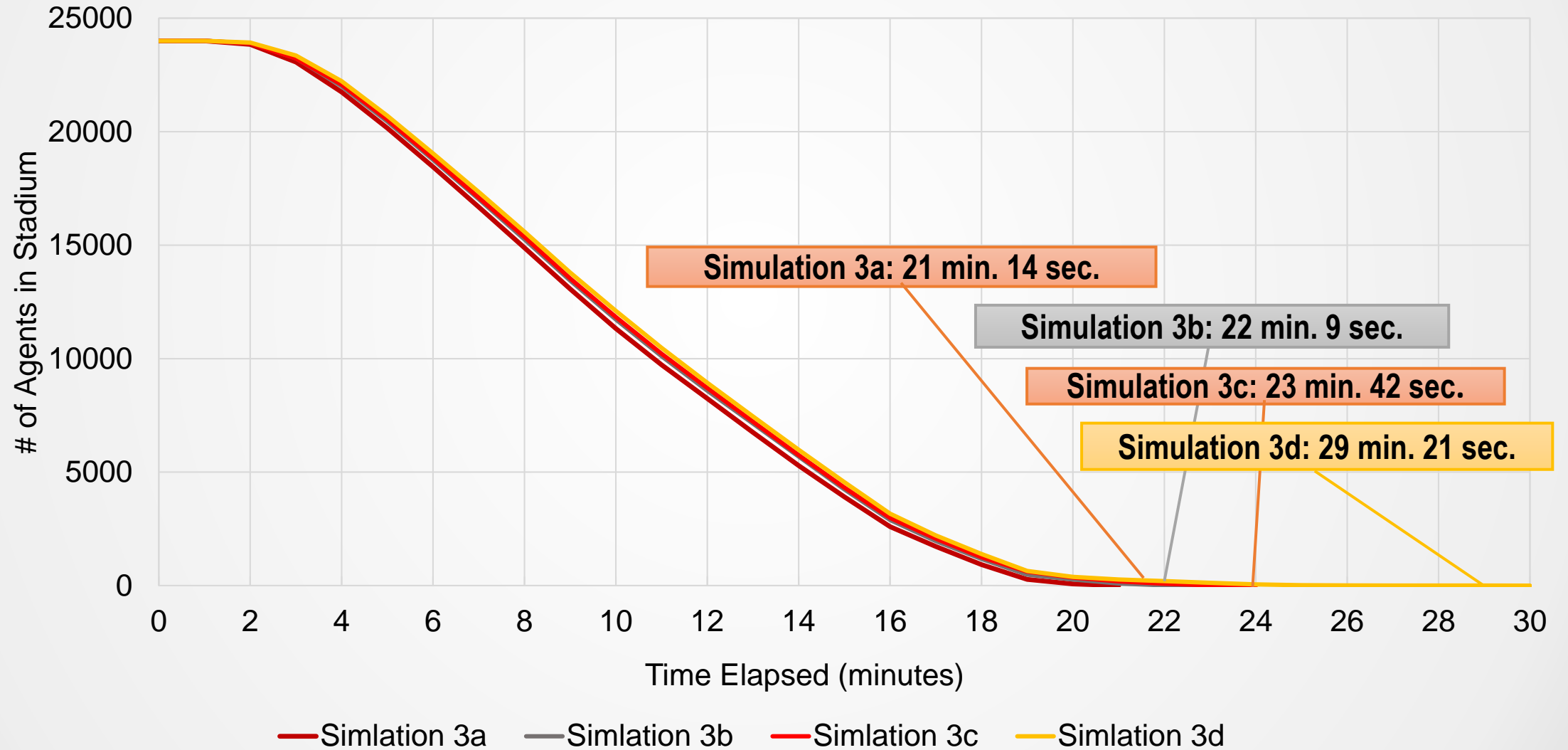


Predictive Simulations

	Simulation Number	Agent Speeds Applied	Demographics	Population Count	Exits Open or Closed
Testing at full capacity	3a	Fruin	n/a	At full capacity	All open
	3b	Ando	As observed at events	At full capacity	All open
	3c	Ando	Higher distribution of young people: 30% children, 45% young adult, 20% adult, 5% elderly	At full capacity	All open
	3d	Ando	Higher distribution of elderly: 5% children, 20% young adult, 30% adult, 45% elderly	At full capacity	All open
Testing impact of one main exit closure at full capacity	4a	Fruin	n/a	At full capacity	East Bridge closed
	4b	Ando	As observed at events	At full capacity	East Bridge closed
	4c	Ando	Higher distribution of young people: 30% children, 45% young adult, 20% adult, 5% elderly	At full capacity	East Bridge closed
	4d	Ando	Higher distribution of elderly: 5% Children, 20% Young Adult, 30% Adult, 45% Elderly	At full Capacity	East Bridge closed

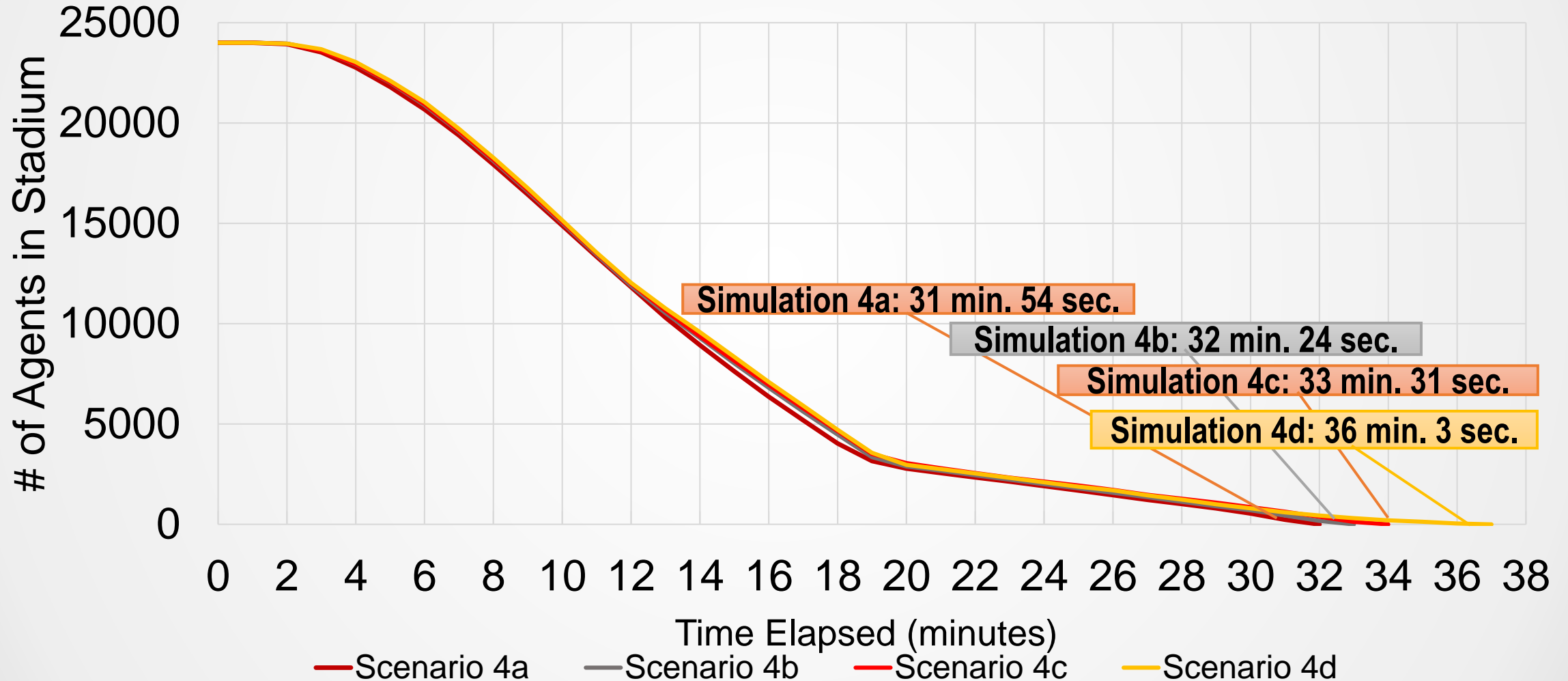
Predictive Simulations

Simulation 3: Population of Stadium Over Time



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Preliminary Conclusions and Future Work



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All egress times in excess of 8 minutes

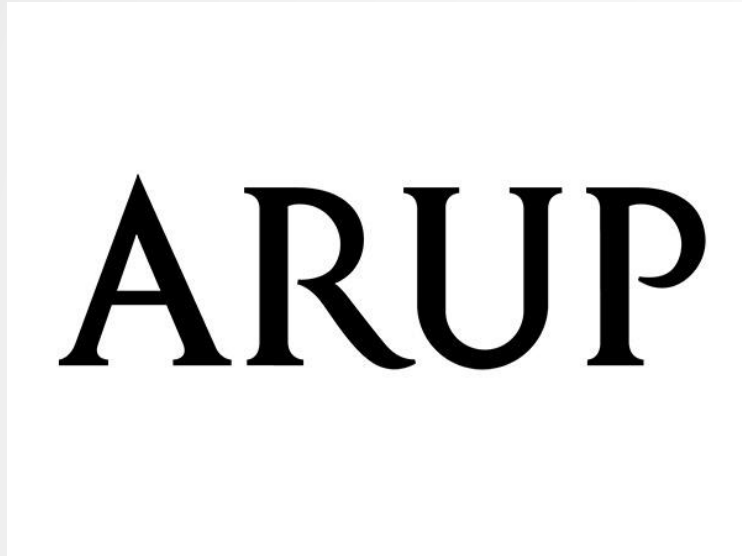
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Egress was not of high-stress state

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For this stadium - egress times governed by architecture not demographics

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