

Yiyang Wang

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EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ph.D. in **Civil Engineering** (GPA: 3.96/4.00)

w/ specialization in *Next Generation Transportation Systems*

M.S. in **Electrical Engineering and Computer Science** (GPA: 3.81/4.00)

w/ specialization in *Signal & Image Processing and Machine Learning*

Ann Arbor, MI

Dec 2022

Apr 2018

Jilin University

B.Eng. in **Communications Engineering** (GPA:90.32/100, Rank: Top 1/91)

w/ *National Scholarship Award*

Changchun, China

June 2016

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python (Proficient), MATLAB (Proficient), SQL, R, C/C++
- **Packages & Tools:** PyTorch, Gurobi, NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, GCP, TensorFlow, Git, Bash
- **Research Interests:** Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Anomaly Detection, Multi-Armed Bandits, Combinatorial Optimization

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Intel Corporation | Technology Development

Machine Learning Engineer

Hillsboro, OR

Jan 2023 - Present

- Adopted machine learning algorithms in **Python** to reduce the variation of device performance
- Conducted data analysis and casual discovery given limited and noisy inline measurement

SiriusXM & Pandora | Science Pandora Department

Science Intern - Recommendation, Search, & Voice

Oakland, CA

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Built a **Siamese neural network with attention fusion** for semantic retrieval of music in **Python (PyTorch)**, running on **GCP**
- Acquired data by **PySpark**, and conducted nature language processing (NLP) in **Gensim** and **NLTK**
- Demonstrated that the proposed model outperforms the current search engine in product by up to **22%** on recall, and is more robust to query variations

Univ. of Michigan | Next Generation Mobility Systems Lab

Research Associate

Ann Arbor, MI

Sep 2018 - Dec 2018

- Designed an anomaly detection approach with time series trajectory data by combining **convolutional neural network (CNN)** and **Kalman filter** with χ^2 -detector in **Python (PyTorch) & MATLAB** with F1 score **97.8%**
- Pre-processed the large-scale (more than 1GB) raw dataset (Safety Pilot Dataset) for training and testing using **SQL** to filter specific vehicle trajectories
- **Sensor fusion** with CNN to further improve detection performance (**14%** above benchmark) on time series dataset

Ford Motor Company | Research and Advanced Engineering (R&A)

Product Development Intern

Dearborn, MI

May 2018 - Jul 2018

- Forecasted the travel demand in 5 and 10 years of Ann Arbor city using a **four-step travel demand model**
- Used **logistic regression** for travel mode choice prediction, and **gravity model** for trip distribution prediction
- Predicted and visualized the traffic congestion level on each road in Ann Arbor city with **SUMO**, specified the roads need expansion

China Unicom | Network Management Center

Network Telecommunications Engineer Intern

Jinan, China

Jul 2015 - Sep 2015

- Enabled rapid and dynamic IP assignment to all China Unicom internet customers in Jinan city, by pre-allocating IP address resources in the IP address resources management system
- Tested the packet loss rate with **secureCRT** and fixed the line failures

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dynamic Security Resource Allocation in Connected and Automated Vehicles

Python

Aug 2022 - Present

- Formulated a partially observable Markov Decision Process (POMDP) to prescribe an optimal policy for dynamical security resource allocation during the trip, which ensures the security and energy efficiency of CAVs
- Solved the POMDP model using **point based value iteration (PBVI)** algorithm in **Python**

Demand Forecasting and Vehicle Route Planning Algorithm in Benton Harbor

Python (Gurobi), MATLAB

Jan 2021 - Jan 2022

- Forecasted travel demand and designed new transit routes in Benton Harbor to improve mobility for local residents, which increased the annual ridership up to **78%**
- Trained **radial basis function (RBF) network for regression**, with socioeconomic data, for travel demand forecasting by **MATLAB** with high accuracy (**RMSE 4.93**)
- Proposed and solved a demand-responsive optimization model in **Python & Gurobi** on large-scale datasets (preprocessed by **SQL**), which provided the optimal new bus routes
- Devised a graph aggregation-disaggregation algorithm (**Python & Gurobi**) which dynamically clustered the large-scale network to **reduce computation time**, and efficiently recovered from the aggregated solution (w/ convergence guaranteed)

Deep Reinforcement Learning-Bayesian Framework for Anomaly Detection

Python (PyTorch)

July 2020 - Dec 2020

- Developed a POMDP model, which was solved by a novel and effective deep reinforcement learning algorithm (**A3C**), to online update CNN detecting anomalies in vehicle sensor data
- Outperformed state-of-the-art benchmarks (**12%** above CNN, **18%** above RNN) on large-scale dataset (Safety Pilot Dataset)

Adversarial Online Learning with Variable Plays in Sequential Game for Vehicle Cybersecurity

Python

Sep 2019 - Oct 2020

- Devised a fast (no-regret) algorithm for the **adversarial multi-armed bandit with variable plays (MAB-VP)** problem to predict adversarial behaviours and tested on real dataset (Car-Hacking Dataset)
- Showed two directions on improving the cybersecurity from a game-theoretical perspective (**two-player sequential constant-sum games**): increase threat-monitoring resources, and/or increase reliability of the system

Anomaly Detection in Connected & Automated Vehicle Sensors

Python, MATLAB

Jan 2019-Dec 2019

- Proposed an anomaly detection method for time series trajectory data by combining **Kalman filter** with unsupervised learning **One Class Support Vector Machine (OCSVM)** models, achieved AUC score **0.98/1.00 (23%** above χ^2 -detector benchmark)
- Conducted stability analysis of the platoon dynamics under cybersecurity uncertainties
- Derived an **augmented-state formulation** to further boost detection performance (up to **27%**) under **stochastic time delay**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CEE 373: Statistical Methods for Data Analysis and Uncertainty Modeling, Univ. of Michigan

Graduate Student Instructor

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

Sep 2019 - Dec 2019

PUBLICATIONS

- **“Real-time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Identification in Automated Vehicles.”** IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems [Paper]
- **“Real-Time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicle Sensors.”** IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems [Paper]
- **“Anomaly detection in connected and automated vehicles using an augmented state formulation.”** 2020 Forum on Integrated and Sustainable Transportation Systems (FISTS) [Paper]
- **“Adversarial Online Learning with Variable Plays in the Pursuit-Evasion Game: Theoretical Foundations and Application in Connected and Automated Vehicle Cybersecurity.”** IEEE Access [Paper]
- **“A Dynamic Deep Reinforcement Learning-Bayesian Framework for Anomaly Detection.”** IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems [Paper]
- **“Anomaly Detection and String Stability Analysis in Connected Automated Vehicular Platoons.”** Transportation Research Part C [Paper]
- **“Improving Transit in Small Cities through Collaborative and Data-driven Scenario Planning.”** Case Studies on Transport Policy [Paper]
- **“Cybersecurity in Connected and Automated Transportation Systems.”** Ph.D. Thesis [Paper]
- **“An Aggregation/Disaggregation Algorithm for Transit Route Planning Problem.”** Working Paper
- **“Dynamic Security Resource Allocation for Connected and Automated Vehicles.”** Working Paper

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

Dynamic Resource Allocation for Connected and Automated Vehicles' Cybersecurity.

- TRB Annual Meeting, Washington DC, Jan. 2024.

Anomaly Detection and String Stability Analysis in Connected Automated Vehicular Platoons.

- INFORMS Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ, Oct. 2023.
- TRB Annual Meeting, Washington DC, Jan. 2023.
- Mcity Research Review, Ann Arbor, MI, Nov. 2022.
- Mcity's Cyber Working Group. Oct. 2022. (virtual)

- NGTS Seminar, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Sept. 2022.

Real-Time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicle Sensors.

- Bridging Transportation Researchers (BTR) Conference. Aug. 2022. (virtual)
- International Symposium on Transportation Data and Modelling, Ann Arbor, MI. Jun. 2021. (virtual)
- International Symposium on Transportation Data and Modelling, Ann Arbor, MI. June. 2020. (postponed)
- INFORMS Annual Conference, Seattle, WA, Oct. 2019.
- IAVSD Workshop on Dynamics of Road Vehicles Connected and Automated Vehicles, Ann Arbor, MI, Apr. 2019.
- NGTS Seminar, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Jan. 2019.

Anomaly Detection in Connected and Automated Vehicles Using an Augmented State Formulation.

- Forum on Integrated and Sustainable Transportation Systems (FISTS), Nov. 2020. (virtual)

Adversarial Online Learning with Variable Plays in the Evasion-and-Pursuit Game: Theoretical Foundations and Application in Connected and Automated Vehicle Cybersecurity.

- NGTS Seminar, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Oct. 2020. (virtual)

A Data-Driven Framework for Optimizing Transit Itineraries.

- 2019 Michigan Institute for Data Science Symposium, Ann Arbor, MI, Nov. 2019.

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Conference Reviewer:

- International Symposium on Transportation and Traffic Theory (ISTTT): [2025](#)
- Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (TRBAM): 2020 - 2024
- Bridging Transport Researchers Conference (BTR): [BTR4](#)
- IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITSC): [2021](#) - [2020](#)

Journal Reviewer:

- IEEE Network Magazine
- IEEE Sensors Journal (IEEE Sens. J.)
- IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems (IEEE T-ITS)
- IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology (IEEE TVT)
- Peer-to-Peer Networking and Applications
- Space: Science & Technology
- Wireless Communications and Mobile Computing

HONORS

- **William S. Housel Fellowship**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Jan 2019 - Dec 2019
- **Outstanding Graduates Honer**, Jilin University Apr 2016
- **Posts and Telecommunications Alumni Scholarship (top 2%)**, Jilin University Sep 2015 - Apr 2016
- **Dong-Rong Scholarship (top 3%)**, Jilin University Sep 2015 - Apr 2016
- **First Prize Scholarship (top 5%)**, Jilin University Sep 2015 - Apr 2016
- **National Scholarship (top 1/91)**, Jilin University Sep 2014 - Apr 2015
- **First Prize Scholarship (top 5%)**, Jilin University Sep 2013 - Apr 2014

LEADERSHIP

- **Michigan Transportation Student Organization (MiTSO) | Treasurer**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Sep 2019 - Apr 2022
- **Michigan Transportation Student Organization (MiTSO) | Secretary**
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Sep 2019 - Apr 2020