# Bowen Yang

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#### **EDUCATION**

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering; GPA: 3.98/4.00 Advisor: Joshua Steelman, PhD, PE Expected Aug 2023

# • Pennsylvania State University Park

State College, PA

Master of Science in Civil Engineering; GPA: 3.54/4.00

May 2018

Advisor: Jeffrey Laman, PhD, PE

# Programming Skills

• Languages: Python, JavaScript, MATLAB, HTML, CSS, Java, R, C, C++

• Technologies: Machine Learning, Web Development, Mathcad, Microsoft Word, Excel

# Relevant Coursework

• Artificial Intelligence: Practical Machine Learning

- Programming: C Language Programming, Fortran Language Programming
- Mathematics: Advanced Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics, Statistical Methods in Research
- Analysis: Structural Analysis, Structural Analysis by Matrix, Computational Problem Solving in Civil Engineering
- Certificates: Data Structures and Algorithms Course in Python, JavaScript Algorithms and Data Structures, (New) Responsive Web Design, Operating Systems, Discrete Mathematics Generality, International Teaching Assistants, Fundamentals of Engineering

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Doctoral Dissertation; Truck Platoon Performance Evaluation for Girder Bridges

May 2022 - Present

- Develop analytical numerical frameworks for the evaluation of monotonic and arbitrary cyclic loading and unloading of prestressed concrete girder bridges
- Utilize MATLAB to perform a nonlinear analysis of prestressed concrete girder response due to cyclic loadings
- Provide the number of stress cycles table for platoons with varying headways, number of trucks, and types of vehicles for future fatigue analysis

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Research Assistant; Truck Platoon Effects on Girder Bridges Phase II

Jan 2021 - Present

- Develop operational strategies for truck platoons on the bridge Service limit states using MATLAB based on available statistical parameters
- Formulate equations to calculate truck platoon Coefficients of Variation (CoV), considering truck weight, dynamic effects, and girder distributions

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Research Assistant; Outdoor Laboratory and Testbed for Bridge Health

Aug 2021 - May 2022

- Cooperated with an industry company to conduct 120 diagnostic load tests on three out-of-service bridges
- o Analyzed and visualized recorded sensor data to determine bridge dynamic effects using MATLAB Signal Analyzer
- o Created 2D and 3D numerical finite element bridge models to verify the obtained sensor data

#### • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Research Assistant; Truck Platoon Effects on Girder Bridges Phase I

Aug 2019 - Jan 2021

- Implemented MATLAB codes for calculating maximum truck platoon effects on one- and two- span girder bridges
- o Conducted the reliability analysis by using Monte Carlo Simulation (MCS) for truck platoons on girder bridges
- Calibrated live load factors for platoon trucks with varying weights and CoVs using MATLAB

# Teaching and Mentoring Experience

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Teaching Assistant for CIVE 441 - Steel Design I

Jan 2021 - Present

- o Provide project solutions in Mathcad with narrative descriptions of the engineering concepts underlying them
- Serve as a supporting instructor and answer student questions on an as-needed basis during regularly scheduled office hours (2 hours/week) or through email

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Student Research Mentor for National Science Foundation Program

Summers 2021 - 2022

- Created MATLAB codes to assist students in analyzing rural steel bridges subjected to emergency vehicles
- Assisted undergraduate students in developing their summer research reports and posters

#### Course Projects

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

ENGR 891 - Practical Machine Learning

Jan 2021 - May 2021

• Solved supervised machine learning problems involving structured and unstructured data using python packages such as numpy, pandas, seaborn, matplotlib, sklearn, keras and tensorflow

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

CIVE 881 - Computational Problem Solving in Civil Engineering

Aug 2019 - Dec 2019

- o Utilized MATLAB codes to solve ordinary differential equations and implement numerical methods
- o Applied numerical methods (such as Euler's Forward Method and Centered Difference Method) to predict the displacement of a one-story building

#### Volunteer

# • University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Lincoln, NE

Graduate Volunteer

June 2021

- Interacted with undergraduate students about the application process for graduate school
- Led pre-prepared session for undergraduate students from other universities on "Applying to Grad School and Funding" offered by the Office of Graduate Studies

#### Publications and Technical Reports

- Yang, B., Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., & Linzell, D. G. (2023). A Reliability-Based Service III Operational Evaluation for Prestressed Girder Bridges Under Platoon Loads. Transportation Research Record: Journal of Transportation Research Board (revised paper under review)
- Wood, R. L., Nasimi, M., Yang, B., Wittich, C. E., Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., ... & Mohammadi, M. E. (2022). Outdoor Laboratory and Testbed for Bridge Health (No. M107)
- Yang, B., Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., & Linzell, D. G. (2021). Safe Platooning Headways on Girder Bridges. Transportation Research Record: Journal of Transportation Research Board
- Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., Linzell, D. G., & Yang, B. (2021). Truck Platooning Effects on Girder Bridges (No. SPR-1 (20) M030)

#### Conference Papers and Presentations

- Yang, B., Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., & Linzell, D. G. (2023). A Reliability-Based Service III Operational Evaluation for Prestressed Girder Bridges Under Platoon Loads. Transportation Research Board Conference (accepted)
- Yang, B., Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., & Linzell, D. G. (2023). A Reliability-based Evaluation of Truck Platoon-loaded Steel Bridges for Strength and Service. TRB AKB20 Committee Nugget Meeting (selected)
- Yang, B., Steelman, J. S., Puckett, J. A., & Linzell, D. G. (2021). Safe Platooning Headways on Girder Bridges. International Bridge Conference

#### Honors and Awards

• John W. Hossack Engineering Fund Scholarship, UNL

Accepted July 2022

• Robert A. and Becky Reisdorff Student Support Fellowship, UNL

Accepted Aug 2021 Accepted May 2021

• Milton E. Mohr Fellowship, UNL

• Member of Chi Epsilon Chapter, UNL

Oct 2020 - Present

• Robert A. and Becky Reisdorff Student Support Fellowship, UNL

Accepted Aug 2020