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#### **EDUCATION**

- 2020- Candidate Doctor of Sciences, ETH Zurich, Switzerland
- 2018–20 M.S. ETH in Geomatic, ETH Zurich, Switzerland
- 2014–18 B.S. Geographical Information Science and Remote Sensing, Sun Yat-sen University, China

## **RESEARCH AREAS**

Human mobility: intra-person variability, human mobility laws and constraints, location prediction and mobility generation

Geographical Information Science: functional zone analysis, street network structure, urban growth simulation, spatial analysis

Sustainable transportation: computational methods for impact analysis, smart charging

# **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Journal Articles**

- Martin, H., **Hong, Y.**, Wiedemann, N., Bucher, D., and Raubal, M. "Trackintel: An open-source Python library for human mobility analysis." *Computers, Environment and Urban Systems*, 101, 101938. 10.1016/j.compenvurbsys.2023.101938.
- Hong, Y., Martin, H., Xin, Y., Bucher, D., Reck, D. J., Axhausen, K. W., and Raubal, M. "Conserved quantities in human mobility: from locations to trips." *Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies*, 146, 103979. 10.1016/j.trc.2022.103979.
- Yao, Y., Zhou, J., Sun, Z., Guan, Q., Guo, Z., Xu, Y., Zhang, J., **Hong, Y.**, Cai, Y., and Wang, R. "Estimating China's poverty reduction efficiency by integrating multi-source geospatial data and deep learning techniques." *Geo-Spatial Information Science*, 1-17. 10.1080/10095020.2023.2165975.
- Guan, Q., Yao, Y., Ma, T., **Hong, Y.**, Bie, Y., and Lyu, J. "Under the Dome: A 3D Urban Texture Model and Its Relationship with Urban Land Surface Temperature." *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, 112(5), 1369-1389. 10.1080/24694452.2021.1972790
- Yao, Y., Wang, J., **Hong, Y.**, Qian, C., Guan, Q., Liang, X., Dai, L. and Zhang, J. "Discovering the homogeneous geographic domain of human perceptions from street view images." *Landscape and Urban Planning*, 212, 104125. 10.1016/j.landurbplan.2021.104125
- Yao, Y., Liu, Y., Guan, Q., **Hong, Y.**, Wang, R., Wang, R., and Liang, X. "Spatiotemporal distribution of human trafficking in China and predicting the locations of missing persons." *Computers, Environment and Urban Systems*, 85, 101567. 10.1016/j.compenvurbsys.2020.101567

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- Yao, Y., Wu, D., **Hong, Y.**, Chen, D., Liang, Z., Guan, Q., Xun, L. and Dai, L. "Analyzing the Effects of Rainfall on Urban Traffic-Congestion Bottlenecks." *IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing*, 13, 504-512. 10.1109/JSTARS.2020.2966591
- Chen, D., Zhang, Y., Yao, Y., **Hong, Y.**, and Guan, Q. "Exploring the spatial differentiation of urbanization on two sides of the Hu Huanyong Line based on nighttime light data and cellular automata." *Applied Geography*, 112, 102081. 10.1016/j.apgeog.2019.102081
- Yao, Y., Liu, P., **Hong, Y.**, Liang, Z., Wang, R., Guan, Q., and Chen, J. "Fine-scale intra- and intercity commercial store site recommendations via multisource big data." *Transactions in GIS*, 23(5), 1029-1047. 10.1111/tgis.12553
- Hong, Y., and Yao, Y. "Hierarchical community detection and functional area identification with OSM roads and complex graph theory." *International Journal of Geographical Information Science*, 33(8), 1569-1587. 10.1080/13658816.2019.1584806
- He, J., Li, X., Yao, Y., **Hong, Y.**, and Zhang, J. "Mining transition rules of cellular automata for simulating urban expansion by using the deep learning techniques." *International Journal of Geographical Information Science*, 32(10), 2076-2097. IO.IO80/I36588I6.20I8.I480783
- Yao, Y., **Hong, Y.**, Wu, D., Zhang, Y., and Guan, Q. "Estimating the effects of "community opening" policy on alleviating traffic congestion in large Chinese cities by integrating ant colony optimization and complex network analyses." *Computers, Environment and Urban Systems*, 70, 163-174. 10.1016/j.compenvurbsys.2018.03.005
- Yao, Y., Zhang, J., **Hong, Y.**, Liang, H., and He, J. "Mapping fine–scale urban housing prices by fusing remotely sensed imagery and social media data." *Transactions in GIS*, 22(2), 561-581. 10.1111/tgis.12330
- Liu, X., He, J., Yao, Y., Zhang, J., Liang, H., Wang, H., and **Hong, Y.** "Classifying urban land use by integrating remote sensing and social medias data." *International Journal of Geographical Information Science*, 31(8), 1675-1696. 10.1080/13658816.2017.1324976
- Yao, Y., Liu, X., Liu, P., **Hong, Y.**, Zhang, Y., and Mai, K. "Simulating urban land-use changes at a large scale by integrating dynamic land parcel subdivision and vector-based cellular automata." *International Journal of Geographical Information Science*, 31(12), 2452-2479. 10.1080/13658816.2017.1360494

# **Conference Proceedings**

- Hong, Y., Martin, H., and Raubal, M. "How do you go where? improving next location prediction by learning travel mode information using transformers." In *Proceedings of the 30<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (SIGSPATIAL '22)*, (pp. 1-10). Seattle, USA. Association for Computing Machinery. 10.1145/3557915.3560996
- Martin, H., Wiedemann, N., Suel, E., **Hong, Y.**, and Xin, Y. "Influence of tracking duration on the privacy of individual mobility graphs." In *Proceedings of the 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Location-Based Services*, (pp.78–88). Munich, Germany. Technical University of Munich. 10.3929/ethz-b-000572753
- Hong, Y., Xin, Y., Martin, H., Bucher, D., and Raubal, M. "A clustering-based framework for

- individual travel behaviour change detection." In *Proceedings of the 11<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Geographic Information Science (GIScience 2021) Part II*, (pp.4:1–4:15). Online. Schloss Dagstuhl Leibniz-Zentrum für Informatik. 10.4230/LIPIcs.GIScience.2021.II.4
- Martin, H., Bucher, D., **Hong, Y.**, Buffat, R., Rupprecht, C., and Raubal, M. "Graph-resnets for short-term traffic forecasts in almost unknown cities." In *Proceedings of the NeurIPS 2019 Competition and Demonstration Track*, (pp.153–163). Vancouver, Canada. PMLR. 10.3929/ethz-b-000437682

## **Preprints and Working Papers**

- Hong, Y., Zhang, Y., Schindler, K., and Raubal, M. "Context-aware multi-head self-attentional neural network model for next location prediction." Under review.
- Li, J., Xin, Y., **Hong, Y.**, and Raubal, M. "Interpreting Deep Learning Models for Traffic Forecast: A Case Study of UNet." Under review.
- Wiedemann, N., Martin, H., Suel, E., **Hong, Y.**, and Xin, Y. "Influence of tracking duration on the privacy of individual mobility graphs." Under review.
- Hong, Y., Stüdeli, E., and Raubal, M. "Evaluating geospatial context information for travel mode detection." In preparation.

### **CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

#### **Conference Presentations**

- "How do you go where? Improving next location prediction by learning travel mode information using transformers." 30<sup>th</sup> ACM SIGSPATIAL International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (ACM SIGSPATIAL 2022). Seattle, Washington, USA. Nov 01–04.
- "A Clustering-Based Framework for Individual Travel Behaviour Change Detection." 11<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Geographic Information Science (GIScience 2021). Online. Sep 27–30.
- "Trackintel An open-source python library for human mobility modeling and analysis." GeoPython 2021. Online. Apr 22–23.

## **AWARDS**

#### **Awards and Honors**

Culmann-funds for outstanding master thesis, ETH Zurich
Traffic4cast 2nd Place, NeurIPS 2019 challenge
Outstanding graduate thesis, Sun Yat-sen University
Excellent national undergraduate's creative project award, Ministry of Education of China
Excellent student scholarship, Sun Yat-sen University

#### **TEACHING**

## **Teaching Assistants**

Advanced GIS (2023)

Geoinformationstechnologien und -analysen (2022)

GIS III (2020, 2021)

Geomatics Seminar (2021)

Projekt GIS and Kartografie (2021)

# **Student Project and Thesis Supervision**

- Li, J. "Robust Cross-Domain Traffic Prediction Through Invariant Causal Mechanisms" Master thesis. ETH Zurich.
- Stüdeli, E. "Evaluating Geospatial Context Information for Transport Mode Detection." Bachelor thesis. ETH Zurich.
- Timans, A. "Uncertainty Quantification for Image-based Traffic Prediction." Master thesis. ETH Zurich.
- Li, J. "Enhancing the Interpretability of Deep Learning Models for Traffic Forecast Through Visual Analytics." Interdisciplinary Project. ETH Zurich.

#### **SERVICE**

#### **Academic Journal Peer Review**

International Journal of Geographical Information Science

Transactions in GIS

ISPRS International Journal of Geo-Information

PLOS One

Sustainability

IEEE Access