

# 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*

### Jilin University

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

w/ *National Scholarship Award*

Ann Arbor, MI

Anticipated Dec 2022

Apr 2018

Changchun, China

June 2016

## SKILLS

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

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Demand Forecasting and Vehicle Route Planning Algorithm in Benton Harbor

*Python, Gurobi, SQL, MATLAB*

Jan 2021 - present

- **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 novel and effective **deep reinforcement learning (DRL)** model, i.e. partially observable Markov decision process (POMDP), conjunct with **CNN** to detect anomalies in time series trajectory
- 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  $\chi^2$ -detector benchmark)
- **Predicted and estimated vehicle trajectory** and fused surrounding vehicles' information by adaptive extended Kalman filter, which enhanced detection performance up to **21%**
- Used **car-following model** and **platooning model** for motion prediction and tracking
- Derived an **augmented-state formulation** to further boost detection performance (up to **27%**) under **stochastic time delay**

## WORK & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### 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  $\chi^2$ -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

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### 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

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- **“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 (under review) [Paper]
- **“An Aggregation/Disaggregation Algorithm for Transit Planning Problem.”** Working paper
- **“Road-side Based Cybersecurity in Connected and Automated Vehicle System.”** Working paper

## TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

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- **“Real-Time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicle Sensors.”** International Symposium on Transportation Data and Modelling, Ann Arbor, MI. June. 2021. (virtual)
- **“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.”** Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Oct. 2020. (virtual)
- **“Real-Time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicle Sensors.”** International Symposium on Transportation Data and Modelling, Ann Arbor, MI. June. 2020. (postponed)
- **“A Data-Driven Framework for Optimizing Transit Itineraries.”** Michigan Institute for Data Science 2019 Symposium, Ann Arbor, MI, Nov. 2019.
- **“Real-Time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicle Sensors.”** INFORMS Annual Conference, Seattle, WA, Oct. 2019.
- **“Real-Time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicle Sensors.”** 3rd IAVSD Workshop on Dynamics of Road Vehicles Connected and Automated Vehicles, Ann Arbor, MI, Apr. 2019.
- **Real-time Sensor Anomaly Detection and Recovery in Connected Automated Vehicles.”** Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Jan. 2019.

## HONORS

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- **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

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### Michigan Transportation Student Organization (MiTSO) | Treasurer

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Sep 2020 - Present

### Michigan Transportation Student Organization (MiTSO) | Secretary & Treasurer

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Sep 2019 - Apr 2020