Zachary Hamida, Ph.D.

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RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCE

2021-present

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Polytechnique Montreal | Funding: Transportation Ministry of the Quebec Province

Formulating an approach for planning network-scale maintenance activities on the network of bridges in the province of Quebec. Developed an open-source software for infrastructure deterioration analyses:

OpenIPDM, InfraPlanner

2017-2020 Doctoral Research Assistant

Polytechnique Montreal | Funding: Transportation Ministry of the Quebec Province

Developed probabilistic models capable of modelling the deterioration behaviour and the effect of interventions based on visual inspections from a network of bridges.

2014-2017 Graduate Research Assistant

American University of Beirut | Funding: Schlumberger

Formulated an approach for optimizing the allocation of injection and production wells in oil reservoirs.

Teaching & Mentoring Experience

Teaching

Teaching Assistant:

- CIV6540: Probabilistic Machine learning for Civil Engineers (Winter, 2021 | 2023)
- CIV8530: Structural and System Reliability (Fall, 2022)

Co-supervisor

Research Project Mentoring:

- Mouhcine Haddad, Ph.D. at Polytechnique Montreal (2022-present).
- Ali Fakhri, M.Eng. at Polytechnique Montreal (2021-present).
- Blanche Laurent, M.Eng. at Polytechnique Montreal (2020-2022, Degree earned).

SCHOLARSHIPS & CERTIFICATES

May 2023 Machine Learning Engineering Certificate. Toronto Institute of Data Science and Technology.

Apr. 2021 Higher Education Teaching Certificate. Harvard BOK Center.

Sep. 2014 Graduate Research Assistantship (GRA). American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon.

Sep. 2014 Partial Scholarship in Visual Communication. Istituto Europeo di Design (IED), Florence, Italy. Creative Diary 2014, PORTFOLIO: be.net/zachamida.

Academic & Social Service

2018-present

Reviewer:

- Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering
- International Probabilistic Workshop (IPW)

2023-present

Committee Member:

- 9th Annual Postdoctoral Research/Career Day
- Internal Selection Committee at Polytechnique Montreal for NSERC applications

EDUCATION

2017-2020

Ph.D. in CIVIL ENGINEERING,

Polytechnique Montreal, Montreal | Prof. James-A GOULET (Adviser)

Thesis: "Stochastic Modelling of Infrastructures Deterioration and Interventions based on Network-Scale Visual Inspections" | Polytechnique Page

2014-2016 M.Sc. in Computational Science,

> American University of Beirut, Beirut | Prof. George Saad (Adviser) & Prof. Fouad Azizi(Co-Adviser) Thesis: "Hybrid Optimization Techniques for Oil Field Development"

B.Eng. in CIVIL ENGINEERING 2008-2013

University of Aleppo, Aleppo | Prof. Ammar Kadaan (Adviser)

Final Year Project: "Structural Analysis & 4D Simulation for Multi-Storey Building"

Journal Papers:

Hamida, Z., Laurent, B. & Goulet, J-A. (2022). "OpenIPDM: A Probabilistic Framework for Estimating the Deterioration and Effect of Interventions on Bridges". SoftwareX. DOI

Hamida, **Z.** & Goulet, J-A. (2022). "A Stochastic Model for Estimating the Network-Scale Deterioration and Effect of Interventions on Bridges". Struct. Control & Health Monitoring. DOI

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2021). "Quantifying the Effects of Interventions Based on Visual Inspections of Bridges Network". Structure and Infrastructure Engineering. DOI

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2021). "Network-Scale Deterioration Modelling of Bridges Based on Visual Inspections and Structural Attributes". Structural Safety. DOI

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2020). "Modeling Infrastructure Degradation from Visual Inspections Using Network-Scale State-Space Models". Struct. Control & Health Monitoring. DOI

Hamida, Z., Azizi, F. & Saad, G. (2017). "An Efficient Geometry-based Optimization Approach for Well Placement in Oil Fields". Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering. DOI.

Manuscripts in Progress:

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (Submitted, 2022). "Hierarchical Reinforcement Learning for Infrastructure Maintenance Planning".

Laurent, B., Deka, B., **Hamida, Z.** & Goulet, J-A. (Submitted, 2022). "Analytical Inference for the Inspectors Uncertainty based on Network-Scale Visual Inspections".

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (In Preparation, 2022). "Quantifying the Cost of Delaying Maintenance Actions on Transportation Infrastructure".

Fakhri, M. A., **Hamida**, **Z.** & Goulet, J-A. (In Preparation, 2023). "Using Bayesian Neural Networks for Integrating Structural Attributes in the Deterioration Analyses".

Conferences & Posters:

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2022). "Modelling the Deterioration of Infrastructures Using Network-Scale Visual Inspections". 11th International Conference on Structural Health Monitoring of Intelligent Infrastructure. Montreal, Canada.

Laurent, B., **Hamida, Z.** & Goulet, J-A. (2022). "Estimating the Bias Associated with Inspectors in the Context of Visual Inspections on Infrastructures". 11th International Conference on Structural Health Monitoring of Intelligent Infrastructure. Montreal, Canada.

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2019). "State-Space Models for Network-Scale Analysis of Bridge Inspection Data". 13th International Conference on Applications of Statistics and Probability in Civil Engineering. Seoul, South Korea. DOI.

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2019). "Modeling Infrastructure Degradation from Visual Inspections Using Network-Scale State-Space Models". Modeling and Numerical Methods for Uncertainty Quantification (MNMUQ 2019), Porquerolles Island, France. DOI.

Reports:

Hamida, Z. & Goulet, J-A. (2021). "Prédire la dégradation et comprendre l'effet des interventions : une méthode d'apprentissage machine adaptée aux rapports d'inspection issus d'une large population de structures". Ministère des Transports du Québec (MTQ).