RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Urban Computing and Spatiotemporal Data Mining
- Human Mobility and Travel Behavior
- Public Transit and Shared Mobility on Demand Systems

**EDUCATION** 

### Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA

Ph.D. Transportation, July 2018

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Thesis: "Uncovering Individual Mobility Patterns from Transit Smart Card Data:

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# University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

M.S. Civil Engineering, August 2013 Department of Civil Engineering Thesis: "Understanding Car Pride"

# Tongji University, Shanghai, China

B.E. Transportation Engineering, July 2011 College of Transportation Engineering

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

### University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China

Assistant Professor 07/2020-Present

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Visiting Researcher 06/2017-08/2017

#### Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA

Graduate Research Assistant 01/2014-07/2018

### University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Graduate Research Assistant 09/2011-08/2013

Industry Experience

#### Via Transportation, Inc., New York, NY, USA

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#### IBM Research, Dublin, Ireland

Research Intern 06/2016-09/2016

# Transport for London, London, UK

Research Intern 06/2015-08/2015

### Translink, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Research Intern 09/2012-11/2012

TEACHING AND ADVISING EXPERIENCE

## Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA

Teaching Assistant

• 11.478 Behavior and Policy, Spring 2015

Student Advisor

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# University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada Teaching Assistant

- CIVL 441 Transportation Planning and Analysis, Spring 2013
- CIVL 587 Urban Transportation Economics and Policy, Fall 2012

#### JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- Zhao, Z., Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2020). Discovering latent activity patterns using transit smart card data. *Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies*, 116, 102627.
- Zhao, Z., Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2018). Detecting pattern changes in individual travel behavior: A Bayesian approach. *Transportation Research Part B: Methodological*, 112, 73-88.
- Zhao, Z., Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2018). Individual mobility prediction using transit smart card data. *Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies*, 89, 19-34.
- Goulet-Langlois, G., Koutsopoulos, H. N., Zhao, Z., and Zhao, J. (2018). Measuring regularity of individual travel patterns. *IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems*, 19(5), 1583-1592.
- Zhao, Z., and Zhao, J. (2018). Car pride and its behavioral implication: An exploration in Shanghai. *Transportation*, 1-10.
- Zhao, J., Frumin, M., Wilson, N. H., and **Zhao, Z.** (2013). Unified estimator for excess journey time under heterogeneous passenger incidence behavior using smartcard data. *Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies*, 34, 70-88.
- Frumin, M., Zhao, J., Wilson, N. H., and **Zhao, Z.** (2013). Automatic data for applied railway management: Case study on the London Overground. *Transportation Research Record: Journal of the Transportation Research Board*, 2353, 47-56.
- Zhao, Z., Zhao, J., and Shen, Q. (2013). Has transportation demand of Shanghai, China, passed its peak growth? Transportation Research Record: Journal of the Transportation Research Board, 2394, 85-92.

# Conference Papers

- Zhao, Z., Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2018). Discovering latent activity patterns from human mobility. *The 7th ACM SIGKDD International Workshop on Urban Computing (UrbComp'18)*, London, UK.
- **Zhao, Z.**, Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2018). Detecting changes in individual travel behavior patterns. *Transportation Research Board 97th Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- **Zhao, Z.**, Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2017). Mobility as a language: Predicting individual mobility in public transportation using n-gram models. *Transportation Research Board 96th Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- Zhao, Z., Zhao, J., and Koutsopoulos, H. N. (2016). Individual-level trip detection using sparse call detail record data based on supervised statistical learning. *Transportation Research Board 95th Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC.
- Zhao, Z., and Zhao, J. (2015). Car pride: Psychological structure and behavioral implications. Transportation Research Board 94th Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- Zhao, Z., Chua G., and Zhao, J. (2012). Evolution of trip chaining patterns in London from 1991 to 2010. *Innovations in Travel Modelling Conference*, Tampa, FL.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

• Zhao, Z., Koutsopoulos, H. N., and Zhao, J. (2019). Uncovering Spatiotemporal Structures from Transit Smart Card Data for Individual Mobility Modeling. Book chapter for *Demand for Emerging Transportation Systems*, 123-149.

## Honors and Awards

- Mitacs-Accelerate Internship Award, 2012
- Tongji University Outstanding Graduate Award, 2011
- Second Prize, Competition of Transport Science and Technology of Tongji University, 2010
- Scholarships for Excellent Academic Performance, 2008-2010

### SERVICE

Ad-hoc reviewer for Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies, Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice, IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems, and Transportation Research Board Annual Meetings.