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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Civil & Environmental Engineering, *Georgia Institute of Technology*, 2012.

B.S., Environmental Science, Applied Mathematics (secondary major), *Peking University*, China, 2007.

APPOINTMENT

- 2016 –present *Assistant Professor*, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Massachusetts Lowell
- 2015 – 2016 *Assistant Researcher*, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Wisconsin – Madison
- 2013 – 2015 *Research Associate*, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Wisconsin – Madison
- 2012– 2013 *Postdoc Scholar*, California Partners for Advanced Transportation Technology (PATH), University of California, Berkeley

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

- Connected, autonomous vehicles
- Traffic flow modeling & simulation
- Traffic control, ITS
- Smart-Eco truck freight

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Modeling & Control of Connected and Automated Vehicles (CAV) 2012-present

(Sponsors: National Science Foundation, USDOT via Transportation Research Center)

Collaborators: Drs. Soyoung Ahn, David Noyce, Steven Shladover

- Modeling traffic operation of mixed traffic (human-driven vehicles and CAV).
- **Developed CAV strategic plans for state DOTs.**
- Developed control for automated truck platooning on terrains to improve traffic efficiency and safety.
- Developed adaptive connected vehicle-enabled Variable Speed Limit (VSL) control system to improve highway operation efficiency and stability.

Traffic Flow Modeling & Control (human-driven traffic) 2007- present

(Sponsor: NSF, Federal Highway Administration, California Department of Transportation)

Collaborators: Drs. Jorge Laval, Soyoung Ahn, Zuduo Zheng, Steven Shladover, Xiao-Yun Lu, Andreas Hegyi

- Developed VSL schemes to improve highway traffic operation and safety in recurrent and/or non-recurrent congestions.
- Studied driver compliance to VSL control and uncovered major control failure mechanisms.
- Modeling driving/platooning behavior that leads to traffic breakdown.
- Modeled mechanisms of and developed control for detrimental traffic flow phenomena, including stop-and-go traffic, traffic breakdown, and capacity-drop.

Truck Freight Modeling & Control 2012-present

(Sponsors: NSF, USDOT via Transportation Research Center)

Collaborators: Drs. Soyoung Ahn, David Noyce

- Developing control for heavy-duty trucks in freight corridors and hubs for efficient and eco operation.
- Modeled longitudinal and lateral behavior of heavy-duty trucks in congested traffic. Quantified impacts of heavy-duty trucks on traffic flow in uphill roadways.

Air Quality Analysis 2005-2007

(Worked in the State Key Joint Laboratory of Environment Simulation and Pollution Control, China)

- Collected sample of air pollutants in southeastern China.
- Identified emission sources of pollutants and established the transmission paths.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles Published in Refereed Archival Journals

(* means corresponding author. Underline indicates students I mentored significantly.)

1. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Chitturi, M., Noyce, D., 2017. "Towards vehicle automation: roadway capacity formulation for traffic mixed with regular and automated vehicles". *Transportation Research Part B*, 100, 196-221.
2. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Chitturi, M., Noyce, D., 2017. "Truck platooning on uphill grades under coordinated adaptive cruise control (CACC)". (Proceeding of the 22nd International Symposium on Transportation and Traffic Theory, Chicago, IL. Also forthcoming in *Transportation Research Part C*.)
3. Han, Y., **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., 2017. "Variable speed limit control at fixed freeway bottlenecks using connected vehicles." *Transportation Research Part B*, 98, 113-134.
4. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Bang, S., Noyce, D., 2016. "Car-following and lane-changing behavior involving heavy vehicles." (2016 Transportation Research Board Cunard Award). *Transportation Research Record: Journal of Transportation Research Board*, Volume 2561.
5. Han, Y., **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., 2015. "Analysis of driver response and traffic evolution under variable speed limit control." *Transportation Research Record: Journal of Transportation Research Board*, Volume 2490.
6. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., 2015. "Variable speed limit control for non-recurrent severe freeway bottlenecks." *Transportation Research Part C*, 51, 210-230.
7. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Hegyi, A., 2014. "Variable speed limit control for steady and oscillatory queues at fixed freeway bottlenecks." *Transportation Research Part B*, 70(2014), 340-358.
8. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Laval, J. A., Zheng, Z., 2014. "On the periodicity of traffic oscillations and capacity drop: the role of driver characteristics." *Transportation Research Part B*, 59 (1), 117-136.
9. Zheng, Z., Ahn, S., **Chen, D.**, Laval, J. A., 2013. "The effects of lane-changing on the immediate follower: anticipation, relaxation, and change in driver characteristics." *Transportation Research Part C*, 26, 367-379.
10. **Chen, D.**, Laval, J. A., Ahn, S., Zheng, Z., 2012. "Traffic hysteresis: a driver behavioral perspective." *Transportation Research Part B*, 46 (10), 1440-1453.
11. **Chen, D.**, Laval, J. A., Zheng, Z., Ahn, S., 2012. "Traffic oscillations: A behavioral car-following model." *Transportation Research Part B*, 46 (6), 744-761.
12. Zheng, Z., Ahn, S., **Chen, D.**, Laval, J. A., 2011. "Freeway traffic oscillations: microscopic analysis of formations and propagations using wavelet transform." *Transportation Research Part B*, 45(9), 1378-1388. (Also in the proceedings of the 19th International Symposium of Transportation and Traffic Theory, acceptance rate < 15%.)
13. Zheng, Z., Ahn, S., **Chen, D.**, Laval, J. A., 2010. "Application of wavelet transform for analysis of freeway traffic: bottlenecks, transient traffic, and traffic oscillations." *Transportation Research Part B*, 45 (2), 372-384.

14. Laval, J. A., **Chen, D.**, Guin, A., Benamer, K., Ahn, S., 2009. "Evolution of oscillations in congested traffic: improved estimated method and additional empirical evidence." *Transportation Research Record: Journal of Transportation Research Board*, Volume 2124.

Articles Pending

1. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S. "Capacity-drop at Extended Bottlenecks: Merge, Diverge, and Weave." (Submitted to *Transportation Research Part B*, under review).

Invited Book chapter:

1. Calvert, S., Mahmassani, H., Meier, J. N., Varaiya, P., Hamdar, S., **Chen, D.**, Li, X., Talebpour, A., Mattingly, S. P., 2018. Chapter "Traffic Flow of Connected and Automated Vehicles: Challenges and Opportunities" in "Road Vehicle Automation 4", Springer.
2. Arem, B., Abbas, M., Li, X., Head, L., Zhou, X., **Chen, D.*.**, Bertini, R., Mattingly, S., Wang, H., Orosz, G., 2016. Chapter "Integrated Traffic Flow Models and Analysis for Automated Vehicles" in "Road Vehicle Automation 3", Springer.

Reports

1. Lu, X., **Chen, D.**, Shladover, S., 2014. "Preparations for Field Testing of Combined Variable Speed Advisory (VSA) and Coordinated Ramp Metering (CRM) for Freeway Traffic Control." Technical Report UCB-ITS-PRR-2014-1, Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Berkeley.
2. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Bang, S., Noyce, D., 2016. "Effects of Heavy Vehicles on Dynamic Traffic Features," Project Number 09-08, National Center for Freight & Infrastructure Research & Education.

Conference papers

1. **Chen, D.**, Ahn, S., Chitturi, M., Noyce, D. "Modeling of Truck Platooning on Uphill Segments under Coordinated Adaptive Cruise Control (CACC)". The 22nd *International Symposium of Transportation and Traffic Theory*, Chicago, 2017 (abstract accepted).
2. Lu, X., Lee, J., **Chen, D.**, Bared, J., Dailey, D., Shladover, S, 2014. "Freeway Micro-simulation calibration: case study using Aimsun and Vissim with detailed field data." *The 93rd Annual Meeting of Transportation Research Board*, Washington D.C.
3. Chilukuri, B. R., Laval, J. A., **Chen, D.**, 2013. "Some traffic features during on-ramp queue flush." *The 92nd Annual Meeting of Transportation Research Board*, Washington D.C. (Note: the paper presented in 2013 was significantly revised and enriched after the version presented at the *Innovations in Traffic Flow Theory, and Highway Capacity and Quality of Service Symposium*, Florida, 2012.)
4. **Chen, D.**, Laval, J. A., 2012. "Effects of Queue Spillback in User Optimum Dynamic Traffic Assignment Problem: Analytical and Graphical Solutions on Simple Network." *The 91st Annual Meeting of Transportation Research Board*, Washington D.C.

PROJECTS

1. "Strategic Plan for Connected and Automated Vehicles in Massachusetts", Co-PI, Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Period 5/1/2017-1/31/2018, Project Total Amount \$74,982.
2. "Calibration of SPFs for Highway Ramps in Massachusetts", Co-PI, Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Period 6/1/2017-2/28/2018, Project Total Amount \$75,000.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Panelist

- *AASHTO - Vehicle to Infrastructure Deployment Coalition (V2I DC)*, TWG 2, 2015-2017
- FHWA/USDOT Work Zone Model Expert Panel, 2016-present

Committee

- Founding Member: Transportation Research Board AHB45 Subcommittee on Traffic Flow Modeling for Connected and Automated Vehicles (AHB 45(3)), 2015-present
- Organizing Committee Member: Breakout Session at Automated Vehicle Symposium, 2015-2016

Conference Activities

Editorial board

- Associate Editor, IEEE-ITSC 2013-present
- Member of International Program Committee, IEEE-ITSC 2014

Journal Referee

- Transportation Research Part A (2014-Present)
- Transportation Research Part B (2015-Present)
- Transportation Research Part C (2010-Present)
- IEEE, Intelligent Transportation System (2010-Present)
- Journal of Advanced Transportation (2013-Present)
- Transportmetrica A: Transport Science (2013-Present)
- Transportmetrica B: Transport Dynamics (2013-Present)
- Transportation Research Record: Journal of Transportation Research Board (2009-Present)
- EURO Journal on Transportation and Logistics (2012-present)

LEADERSHIP/ACTIVITIES

- Co-founder and Manager: *Traffic Flow Webinar*, Georgia Tech, 2010-2012
- Vice President: *Women's Transportation Seminar*, Georgia Tech Chapter, 2010
- Coordinator: *University Transportation Center/Georgia Transportation Institute Luncheon Seminar Series*, Georgia Tech, 2007-2011

AWARDS & HONORS

- *Transportation Research Board Cunard Award- Best First Young Author Paper in Operations*, 2016
- Student Fellowship of the *19th International Symposium on Transportation and Traffic Theory*, 2011
- ITS Georgia *Wayne Shackelford Engineering Scholarship*, 2010