Predicting for the adaptive transport system

# ...and other necessary ingredients for resilient urban mobility

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## Some "future mobility" visions...

Dynamic Public Transport Mobility as a Service (MaaS)



Dynamic pricing

Shared modes

Autonomous Mobility on Demand (AMoD)

### Some "future mobility" visions...









## And some possible nightmares...



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# The prediction-optimization pipeline



### In non-recurrent conditions...



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Wrong scheduling

# Transport services of the (near!) future



Large events Incidents System breakdowns

# No "future mobility" will be adaptive without VERY robust prediction capability...

...especially in non-recurrent conditions!







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special events,	road works,
demonstrations,	closures, mega
holidays	events
crisis situations,	incidents, weather,
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### **Expectable demand**



# **Event information is usually online**

- Event homepages
- Event listings
- Social media (e.g. twitter, facebook)
- News feeds

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Lots of potential sources, but a lot in free form text

# **Accounting for event information**

#### **Foo Fighters**

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natural language processing

Machineinterpretable features

# **Accounting for event information**



## **Bayesian additive model**



# Public transport arrivals in Singapore

Data:

- 5 months of smartcard data (bus, metro, light rail)
- 2 study areas
  - Singapore Indoor Stadium
  - Singapore Expo

## An example





## Public transport arrivals in Singapore

		Evaluation: event periods only			
Area	Model	RAE	CorrCoef	$R^2$	
	Linear Reg. (routine only)	66.817 (8.322)	0.783 (0.065)	0.457 (0.108)	
	Linear Reg. (routine + events)	55.493 (7.710)	0.864 (0.025)	0.627 (0.057)	
	GP (routine only)	62.069 (8.584)	0.801 (0.066)	0.409 (0.105)	
Stadium	GP (routine + events)	59.761 (9.876)	0.802 (0.080)	0.625 (0.056)	
	BAM-GP (truncated)	42.338 (6.172)	0.907 (0.022)	0.789 (0.034)	
	Linear Reg. (routine only)	82.999 (6.354)	0.537 (0.056)	0.323 (0.051)	
	Linear Reg. (routine + events)	81.029 (5.749)	0.620 (0.052)	0.370 (0.048)	
	GP (routine only)	56.473 (6.638)	0.843 (0.038)	0.698 (0.046)	
Expo	GP (routine + events)	54.743 (4.034)	0.798 (0.037)	0.576 (0.074)	
-	BAM-GP (truncated)	46.033 (4.569)	0.884 (0.032)	0.720 (0.077)	

RAE: relative absolute error CorrCoef: correlation coefficient R2: coefficient of determination

### Exploiting the model's additive structure



# Predicting taxi demand in event areas

Goal: Given the taxi demand in the last L days, predict taxi demand for the next day

Focus: special event areas



# A deep learning approach

Recent work currently under review!

# **Predicting taxi demand in NYC**

Data:

- All taxi trips from 2013 to 2016
- 2 study areas
  - Barclays Center
  - Terminal 5



# **Predicting taxi demand in NYC**

Method	MAE	RMSE	MAPE
SVR L	$186.7 (\pm 0.0)$	$252.2~(\pm 0.0)$	$20.4 (\pm 0.0)$
SVR L+W	$185.3~(\pm 0.0)$	$251.6~(\pm 0.0)$	$20.2 (\pm 0.0)$
SVR L+W+E	$177.0~(\pm 0.0)$	$244.4~(\pm 0.0)$	19.1 $(\pm 0.0)$
GP L	$204.5~(\pm 0.0)$	$264.6~(\pm 0.0)$	22.5 $(\pm 0.0)$
GP L+W	$204.2~(\pm 0.0)$	$264.8~(\pm 0.0)$	22.5 $(\pm 0.0)$
GP L+W+E	$184.4 \ (\pm 0.0)$	$250.3~(\pm 0.0)$	$20.3 (\pm 0.0)$
DL-FC L	$181.4 (\pm 2.5)$	$250.0~(\pm 1.6)$	19.7 $(\pm 0.3)$
DL-FC L+W	$180.7~(\pm 2.1)$	$250.1 \ (\pm 1.3)$	19.6 $(\pm 0.3)$
DL-FC L+W+E	$168.1 \ (\pm 2.8)$	$242.7~(\pm 1.9)$	18.1 $(\pm 0.3)$
DL-FC L+W+E+T	<b>158.1</b> $(\pm 3.4)$	$236.2~(\pm 2.3)$	<b>16.8</b> $(\pm 0.5)$

L = time-series lags only

- W = weather
- E = event information
- T = event text

MAE: mean absolute error RMSE: root mean sq. error MAPE: mean absolute percentage error

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### **Unexpectable demand**



#### **Step 1: anomaly detection**



Markou, I., Rodrigues, F. and Pereira, F.C., 2017. Use of Taxi-Trip Data in Analysis of Demand Patterns for Detection and Explanation of Anomalies. Transportation Research Record: Journal of the Transportation Research Board

# Step 2: propagating information

#### Correlated models



## **Preliminary results**



Demand	Supply
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# **Unexpectable supply**







### Step 1: anomaly detection



# **Running application in Denmark**



#### **Step 2: robust prediction**



## **Step 2: robust prediction**



# Accounting for uncertainty

Why should we care?

• We use prediction models to make decisions!



# **Accounting for uncertainty**

Heteroscedastic models

- Observation noise is non-constant (e.g. time-dependent)
- Jointly model signal mean and variance



# **Accounting for uncertainty**

Heteroscedastic Gaussian processes (GPs)

- GP models the mean of the signal
- Another GP models the variance of the signal

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# Google data

Aggregated speeds as measured by mobile devices





#### Heteroscedastic

# More accurate predictions and more precise confidence intervals!



# **Properly handling uncertainty**



#### More **uncertain** during night periods

#### More **confident** during day periods

# Some results

# Evaluation of the prediction means

MAE: mean absolute error RAE: relative absolute error R2: coeff. of determination

		Eval: all periods		Eva	l: day peri	ods	
ID	Method	MAE	RAE	$R^2$	MAE	RAE	$R^2$
	ARIMA	2.845	40.830	0.718	1.780	33.467	0.878
1	GP	2.639	38.180	0.765	1.767	33.210	0.884
T	HGP	2.396	34.368	0.778	1.467	27.576	0.913
	FC-HGP	2.296	33.114	0.779	1.270	23.880	0.934
	ARIMA	2.933	43.471	0.717	1.812	36.219	0.863
	GP	2.595	38.463	0.770	1.637	32.724	0.886
4	HGP	2.294	34.008	0.770	1.283	25.636	0.921
	FC-HGP	2.272	33.678	0.783	1.202	<b>24.019</b>	0.933
	ARIMA	2.748	39.560	0.732	1.712	32.823	0.885
F	GP	2.555	36.764	0.779	1.662	31.829	0.895
0	HGP	2.342	33.696	0.791	1.423	27.235	0.918
	FC-HGP	2.254	32.423	0.785	1.229	23.522	0.938

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# Some results

# Evaluation of the prediction intervals

NLPD: negative log predictive density ICP: interval coverage percentage MIL: mean interval length

Place ID	lace ID Method I		ICP	MIL
	ARIMA	0.796	0.949	18.257
1	$\mathbf{GP}$	0.679	0.961	18.193
1	HGP	0.453	0.950	14.987
	FC-HGP	0.040	0.959	11.540
	ARIMA	0.783	0.942	18.017
1	GP	0.728	0.960	18.114
4	HGP	0.658	0.929	11.899
	FC-HGP	0.019	0.957	11.100
	ARIMA	0.766	0.946	17.458
F	GP	0.646	0.959	17.293
5	HGP	0.418	0.953	14.514
	FC-HGP	0.024	0.958	11.176

# **Bus travel time prediction**

We can exploit the network structure and spatio-temporal correlations to get robust joint prediction models!



# **Robust bus travel time prediction**

Deep learning architecture

Recent work currently under review!

# **Movia data**

- Real-time AVL-system
- 1,2M travel time observations
- 4A bus line in Copenhagen
- May to October 2017



# **Results**

Model	Time ahead	RMSE (min)	MAE (min)	MAPE $(\%)$
Historical average		4.35	3.23	6.51~%
Current model	t + 1 (15 min)	4.92	3.90	8.05~%
	t+2~(30~min)	4.91	3.46	6.82~%
	t+3~(45~min)	5.47	4.15	8.68~%
Pure LSTM	t + 1 (15 min)	3.48	2.48	5.02~%
	t+2~(30~min)	3.56	2.51	5.08~%
	t+3~(45~min)	3.68	2.62	5.34~%
Google Traffic	t + 1 (15 min)	3.67	2.96	6.32~%
ConvLSTM	$t + 1 \; (15 \; min)$	2.66	1.99	4.19~%
	t+2~(30~min)	2.89	2.11	4.44~%
	t + 3 (45 min)	3.11	2.27	4.75~%

RMSE: root mean squared error

MAE: mean absolute error

MAPE: mean absolute percentage error

# **Summary**

- Accounting for the effect of external factors
  E.g. events, weather, etc.
- Anomaly detection
- Properly handling uncertainty
  - Account for observation noise
  - Produce confidence intervals for predictions
- Robust joint prediction models
  - Exploit spatio-temporal correlations

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