On Simulation and Optimization of Freeway Network Operations

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Progress from last PSG meeting

- Computer implementation of ramp metering and VSL on the Kwinana freeway traffic flow simulation model
- Further data analysis: traffic prediction by LSTM & BAM-LSTM methods
- Optimization of freeway traffic flow via ramp metering

1. Computer implementation of ramp metering and VSL on the Kwinana freeway traffic flow simulation model

Ramp Metering Series





LUMS



VSLS

VSLS-20501 VSLS-20502



6 Parking areas



Numerical Test Schemes VSL Period: 6:00-10:00; 14:00-18:00

VSL Scheme	Ramp Metering (90 sec per cycle)	LUMS Speed	VSLS Speed
1	80 G 5 Y 5 R	90	70
2	80 G 5 Y 5 R	100	70
3	RSC - I	90	70
4	RSC - I	100	70

VSL Application Design







VSLS (70 km/h) and LUMS (90 km/h)



LUMS 90 & VSLS 70



LUMS 100 & VSLS 70



LUMS 90 & VSLS 70 & RSC1 (from 6 AM)



LUMS 100 & VSLS 70 & & RSC (from 6 AM)





	Statistics (Average)				
	Duration	Waiting	Time	Depart	
Scheme	(S)	lime(s)	Loss(s)	Delay(s)	
n/a	391.17	8.3	120.73	97.74	
1	391.97	8.21	117.36	97.34	
2	378.56	6.81	110.13	95.53	
3	385.83	9.04	111.58	93.90	
4	373.15	8.64	105.16	92.09	

2. Further data analysis: traffic prediction by LSTM & BAM-LSTM methods

LSTM Cell



Traditional LSTM with forget gates*

Initial values $c_0 = 0$ and $h_0 = 0$. The operator 'o' denotes the Hadamard product

$$\begin{split} f_{t} &= \sigma_{g}(W_{f}x_{t} + U_{f}h_{t-1} + b_{f}) \\ i_{t} &= \sigma_{g}(W_{i}x_{t} + U_{i}h_{t-1} + b_{i}) \\ o_{t} &= \sigma_{g}(W_{o}x_{t} + U_{o}h_{t-1} + b_{o}) \\ h_{t} &= o_{t} \circ \sigma_{h}(c_{t}) \\ c_{t} &= f_{t} \circ c_{t-1} + i_{t} \circ \sigma_{c} (W_{c}x_{t} + U_{c}h_{t-1} + b_{c}) \end{split}$$

where σ_q : a sigmoid function

- σ_c : a hyperbolic function
- σ_h : a hyperbolic tangent function

Prediction for yesterday

Traffic flow rate for yesterday



Prediction for today

Bidirectional Recurrent Neural Network



Hyperparameters for BRNN

- Input size = 144000
- Sequence length = 1440
- Number of layers = 2
- Hidden size = 50
- Number of classes = 2
- Learning rate = 0.005
- Batch size = 120
- Number of epochs = 100

Traffic Flow Rate Veh/minute











Traffic Speed km/hr





Traffic Density Veh/meter



Time (Mintue)

3 Optimization of freeway traffic flow via ramp metering

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13 km26 cells8 on-ramps4 off-ramps

Car Park



Bridge On-ramp

Optimization Model

Objective function:
$$D_{t} = \sum_{l=t}^{t+N_{p}-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{I} (\rho_{i,l}\Delta x_{i}\Delta t - \frac{f_{i,l}\Delta x_{i}\Delta t}{v_{i}}) + \sum_{j=1}^{J} q_{j,l}\Delta t\right].$$
s.t.
$$\rho_{i,t+1}^{\varepsilon} = \rho_{i,t}^{\varepsilon} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x_{i}} \times (f_{i-1,t}^{\varepsilon}(\rho_{i-1,t}^{\varepsilon}) - f_{i,t}^{\varepsilon}(\rho_{i,t}^{\varepsilon}) + r_{i,t} - s_{i,t}), \forall i, t,$$

$$q_{j,t+1} = q_{j,t} + (d_{j,t} - r_{j,t})\Delta t, \forall j, t,$$

$$0 \leq \rho_{i,t}^{\varepsilon} \leq \rho_{max,i}, \forall i, t,$$

$$0 \le q_{j,t} \le q_{max}, \forall j, t.$$

$$0 \le r_{j,t} \le r_{max,j}, \forall j,t.$$

$$f_{i,t} = \min\{v_i \rho_{i,t}, C_i, C_{i+1}, w_{i+1}(\rho_{max,i+1} - \rho_{i+1,t}), \forall i, t, \}$$

Model Predictive Control (MPC)



Demand flows and out-going flows



(a) Mainline demand and on-ramp demands

(b) Out-going flow

Density, speed and flow from actual measured data 11/06/2018





(a) Density

(b) Flow



(c) Speed

Numerical results for inequality relaxation for Np=33,Nc=4

0.6





(a) Density



Np=33,Nc=4



0.5 0.4 Ramp metering m 0.2 0.1 ۰. 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 t (s)

(c) Queue length

(d) Ramp metering

Numerical results for inequality relaxation for Np=33,Nc=8





(a) Density







(c) Queue length

(d) Ramp metering

Numerical results for approximated model for Np=33,Nc=4





(a) Density



(c) Queue length





(d) Ramp metering

Numerical results for approximated model for Np=33,Nc=8





Np=33,Nc=8

120

100

80

60

40

20

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100

200

300

Queue length



(b) Flow

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900

1000



(c) Queue length

500

t (s)

600

700

400



Comparison of total delay and ramp delay

Name of model	Total delay	Ramp delay
No control	1270.3164h	0h
Inequality relaxation model with $Nc = 4$	781.3429h	87.3461h
Inequality relaxation model with $Nc = 8$	772.7768h	325.4634h
Approximated model with $Nc = 4$	765.9473h	199.2427h
Approximated model with $Nc = 8$	761.2329h	105.0768h

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