Bus Arrival Time Prediction with LSTM Neural Network

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- Public transport arrival time prediction to stops
- Take into account different factors that characterize the traffic state
- Develop a distributed prediction model

Task

- Real-time processing
- High accuracy

- GPS coordinates are obtained every 30 seconds
- Coordinates are fitted using information about the road network geometry and transport routes
- Travel times for each road link are calculated



- *S* is the set of stops;
- *R* is the set of routes;
- N is the maximum number of route links;
- t_i^{dep} the departure time from stop $i \in S$;
- t_i^{arr} is the arrival time at stop $j \in S$;
- T_{ii}^{travel} the travel time between stops *i* and *j*.

$$t_{j}^{arr} = t_{i}^{dep} + T_{ij}^{travel}$$

To estimate the travel time T_{ii}^{travel} we used the following factors:

- day, time
- $v_{i-1,i}$ travel speed on the previous route link
- h^r time headway to the preceding vehicle with the same route
- $T_{ii}^{m,r}$ travel time of the preceding vehicle *m* with the same route *r*
- \tilde{T}_{ii}^r weighted travel time of preceding vehicles with the same route:

$$\tilde{T}_{ij}^{r} = \frac{\sum_{k \in N_{r}} \omega\left(t - t_{i}^{dep,k}\right) T_{ij}^{travel,k}}{\sum_{k \in N_{r}} \omega\left(t - t_{i}^{dep,k}\right)}$$

- *h*^{any} time headway to the preceding vehicle with any route
- $T_{ii}^{m,any}$ travel time of the preceding vehicle with any route
- \tilde{T}_{ii}^{any} weighted travel time of preceding vehicles with any route
- $T_{ii}^{hist}(t)$ historical average travel time
- $T_{ii}^{flow}(t)$ historical average travel time by traffic flow data
- *c_{ij}* number of vehicles on the targeted route link

$$X_{i,j} = \left(day, time, v_{i-1,i}, h^r, T_{ij}^{m,r}, \tilde{T}_{ij}^r, h^{any}, T_{ij}^{m,any}, \tilde{T}_{ij}^{any}, T_{ij}^{hist}, T^{flow}, c_{ij} \right)$$

Long short-term memory (LSTM) cell





Long short-term memory (LSTM) neural network



Model analysis

Comparison:

- Proposed / Base LSTM models
- ANN, 1 hidden layer
- Linear Regression

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} |V_t - \hat{V}_t|,$$
$$MAPE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} \frac{|V_t - \hat{V}_t|}{V_t} \times 100\%$$

Data set:

- Five bus routes
- Average route length is 16 km
- Travel time observations in 30 days



Table: Algorithms Comparison

	MAE	MAPE
LSTM	22.12	19.78
Base LSTM	23.64	21.24
ANN	25.54	23.25
Regression	26.89	25.19



Model analysis. MAE / MAPE for routes





Model analysis. MAE / MAPE



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Model analysis. Execution time

Intel Core i5-3740 3.20 GHz, 8 GB RAM / Nvidia GeForce GTX 1080 Ti



The proposed LSTM based arrival time prediction model has the following advantages:

- Combines different factors describing the traffic situation.
- It has high prediction accuracy.
- It has a low computation time.

Thank you!

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