Future Urban Transportation with Connected and Automated Vehicles

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Abstract: Connected and Automated Vehicles (CAVs) have the potential to transform future urban transportation. In this talk, we first summarize the brief history of CAV developments. We then study future urban multimodal transportation system with CAVs serving single rides or shared rides between homes and worksites, or homes and major transit hubs. We present a generalized Nash equilibrium model to characterize the behaviors and interactions of major players in such a system including service providers, customers (travelers), and network congestion. We illustrate the model via a notional network and a case study in Seattle.

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