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# Modeling and estimation of pedestrian flows in train stations

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# Population growth and urbanization



# Mong Kok, Hong Kong



# Increase in mobility



# Flow performance





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# Lausanne railway station





### Train passenger volume over a day



# Pedestrian movements on January 16, 2013





#### 7 h 44 m 1.3 s



#### Pedestrian demand estimation: Illustration



#### Lausanne railway station: Pedestrian network





Figure: 7:40–7:41  $\circ$  10 ped/min 100 ped/min 0 25 50 75  $\geq$  100 ped/min



Figure: 7:41–7:42  $\circ$  10 ped/min 100 ped/min 0 25 50 75  $\geq$  100 ped/min



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Figure: 7:45–7:46  $\circ$  10 ped/min 100 ped/min 0 25 50 75  $\geq$  100 ped/min



Figure: 7:46–7:47  $\circ$  10 ped/min 100 ped/min 0 25 50 75  $\geq$  100 ped/min



Figure: 7:47–7:48  $\circ$  10 ped/min  $\bigcirc$  100 ped/min 0 25 50 75  $\geq$  100 ped/min

# Average OD demand in Lausanne railway station



- peak period: 7:30 8:00
- origin of streams
  - train platforms
  - city/metro/bus
  - shops















# Level-of-service assessment: Example



Figure: Pedestrian Underpass West, Lausanne railway station

# Level-of-service assessment: Example

- PU West, Lausanne
- January 22, 2013, 07:40 07:46

LOS	[#/m <sup>2</sup> ]
А	< 0.179
В	< 0.270
С	< 0.455
D	< 0.714
Е	< 1.333
F	$\geq$ 1.333





# Crowd management: Gating I



# Crowd management: Gating II



Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RRm1W9g54xg

# Crowd management: Load balancing I







(b) 7:47–7:48

#### control variables:

- train timetable
- train-track assignment
- train stop position



# Crowd management: Load balancing II



**Source**: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p2PcgDt4cFs

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