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The built environment impacts shared mobility across macro-, meso-, and micro-scales. Macro-level factors like city characteristics and transport network structures can influence the success of potential transportation modes. On the meso-level, neighborhood characteristics, such as building density, land use diversity, local network design, can determine individuals' mode choices, which has been investigated extensively in past studies. Micro-level elements, such as street characteristics, could influence route preferences of specific shared mobility models. Drawing upon my recent research on carsharing and e-scooter sharing, this presentation will explore the varying scales' effects on shared mobility, and discuss how city infrastructure, local neighborhood features, and specific street properties shape shared mobility patterns and route preferences. It aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of how the built environment at different scales can influence mobility usage.



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