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#### **INTRODUCTION**

In today's world, efficiently coordinating meetings among individuals located in different geographical areas is a significant logistical challenge. A smart city uses technology to improve people' quality of life, urban infrastructure efficiency, and sustainable development. Modern cities depend on efficient mobility, therefore enhancing transportation networks is a major part of this strategy. Traditional navigation systems, although useful, sometimes fail to meet urban complexity and dynamics. Thus, smart city ecosystems need innovative route optimization methods to address their specific difficulties and potential

This study addresses two primary research questions:

1) How can we determine the optimal meeting point based on users' geographic locations?

2) How can Google APIs be utilized to find the most convenient meeting points in real time?

To tackle this issue, an Android application has been developed that leverages Google APIs to collect users' locations and calculate a central, convenient meeting point for all participants. The main objective of this application is to simplify the process of organizing both social and professional meetings.

**Relevance.** People often spend a considerable amount of time and effort coordinating meetups from various geographical locations. Solving this problem can make social and professional meetings more efficient and convenient.

**Importance.** The development of this application addresses logistical challenges, helping individuals to plan their meetings more efficiently. This contributes to a more organized and productive personal and professional life. Additionally, the application's real-time suggestions provide accurate and convenient solutions for finding optimal meeting points. Such technology facilitates the coordination of both personal and business meetings, thereby preventing time loss and reducing energy expenditure.

**Object.** The object of this study is an Android application developed to determine optimal meeting points based on geographical locations. The application uses Google APIs to collect users' positions and calculate convenient meeting points.

**Subject:** The subject of this study is the application's algorithms and integration with Google APIs. The primary goal is to use various geographical and logistical data to determine efficient and accurate meeting points.

**Application Description:** This Android application integrates several Google APIs:

\*Google Maps API\*: Used for location visualization.

\*Places API\*: Used for searching points of interest.

\*Distance Matrix API\*: Used for calculating travel distances and times.

Using these tools, the application can provide precise and convenient meeting point suggestions in real-time. Users can input their current locations or allow the application to automatically detect their positions. The system then calculates potential meeting points and ranks them based on accessibility, travel time, and user preferences.

**Algorithm and Interface:** The application's core algorithm considers various factors:

- The geographical distribution of users.
- Modes of transportation (e.g., driving, walking).
- Real-time traffic conditions.

<span id="page-4-0"></span>Link between Smart Cities & Shortest Route algorithms. In smart city development, efficiency and optimization are constant goals. Local logic for shortest route algorithms is one of several technical advances that advance smart cities. This unique navigation method improves logistical processes and exemplifies how cutting-edge technology integrates into individuals' everyday lives.

Shortest path algorithms find the fastest route between two network nodes. Global algorithms like Dijkstra's or A\* have traditionally used centralized data and substantial computation to do this. Local logic algorithms provide a decentralized strategy that uses localized data and realtime information.

Local logic for shortest route algorithms has several advantages. First, it makes the navigation system adaptable and sensitive to traffic jams and road closures. This real-time optimization saves travel time, fuel consumption, and greenhouse gas emissions, supporting current urban planning sustainability objectives.

Local logic empowers and engages communities. By using data from local organizations, companies, and individuals, the navigation system learns about each neighborhood's distinctive traits. Localized knowledge improves route accuracy and gives locals a feeling of ownership and pride in their city's infrastructure. This is particularly important within our historical sites & specific routes that no other knowledge-based accounts information for other than the people of those regions.

In addition, local logic algorithms make smart city integration easier. The navigation system supports a comprehensive urban ecosystem by using data from IoT sensors, mobile apps, and municipal databases. This integration boosts municipal efficiency and prepares for future breakthroughs in public transit, emergency response, and urban planning.

Local logic for shortest route algorithms is important for government agencies. Applications include from optimizing public utility service delivery routes to improving law enforcement and medical emergency response times. Local data and community participation may boost government efficiency and effectiveness, improving people' quality of life.

Local logic for shortest route algorithms might transform Azerbaijan transportation networks, boost local enterprises, and improve livability. Imagine citizens effortlessly traversing the convoluted streets with a navigation system that maps the quickest path and celebrates the town's distinctive monuments and attractions. Azerbaijan might become a smart, connected town where technology drives growth and prosperity via government, corporate, and citizen participation.

<span id="page-5-0"></span>**Motivations**. This research examines the effectiveness and possible influence of local logic algorithms for shortest route computations in smart city government organizations. Traditional global algorithms like Dijkstra's and A\* have long been the foundation of navigation systems, but their centralized structure and dependence on static data sources restrict them in smart cities. Given these obstacles, local logic algorithms provide a compelling alternative that optimizes route planning and navigation using localized data and real-time information.

This research examines smart city government institution needs. Government organizations like public utilities and emergency services keep urban infrastructure running smoothly and inhabitants safe. Traditional navigation systems sometimes fail to handle these institutions' particular logistical issues, resulting in inefficiency and inferior results. This research examines the possible advantages of local logic algorithms for route optimization in government institutions, concentrating on operational efficiency, service delivery, and community participation.

The main research questions are:

What are the limitations of traditional global algorithms for route optimization in the context of government institutions within smart cities?

How can local logic algorithms leverage localized data and real-time information to address the specific needs and challenges faced by government agencies?

What are the potential benefits of adopting local logic algorithms for route optimization in terms of operational efficiency, service delivery, and community engagement?

What are the practical considerations and implementation challenges associated with integrating local logic algorithms into existing navigation systems used by government institutions?

How can the effectiveness and impact of local logic algorithms be evaluated and measured in real-world smart city environments?

This study addresses these research issues to see if implementation of local logic algorithms can optimize routes for government institutions in smart cities. This study uses theoretical analysis, empirical research, and case studies to inform policymakers, urban planners, and technology developers about the pros and cons of innovative navigation methods for smarter, more efficient, and more sustainable cities.

**Context of the Study.** As governments and urban planners seek new answers to urbanization's complicated difficulties, smart cities have grown in popularity. Azerbaijan, like many nations, struggles with urban transportation, service delivery, and infrastructure management. Azerbaijan is using smart city ideas and technology to create dynamic, efficient, and sustainable cities in pursuit of growth and wealth. Recently, Azerbaijan's territorial recapture has created fresh regeneration and growth potential. As the area looks forward, technology and creativity must be used to restore urban infrastructure and services.

Our android application will examine Azerbaijan urban problems from the point of view of and prospects via joint research and stakeholder collaborations. From increasing public transit to boosting emergency response, we aim to find technology-based solutions for Azerbaijan citizens and government organizations. The Azerbaijani people's tenacity shows the possibility for constructive development. We value cooperation and community participation as we travel. We may base our analysis on Azerbaijan reality and goals by collaborating with local officials, companies, and inhabitants. We can co-create creative solutions to the region's specific issues and promote sustainable development via open communication and collaboration.

Finally, our analysis advances the concept of a smarter, more resilient Azerbaijan. We want to strengthen the region's government institutions and enhance citizens' lives via technology and innovation.

**Objectives and Contributions.** This study has several main **objectives** to answer the research questions:

Traditional global algorithms like Dijkstra's and A\* may not be able to meet smart city government institutions' demands. We intend to uncover these algorithms' main drawbacks in dynamic metropolitan contexts with decentralized data sources and real-time information via a thorough literature survey and theoretical analysis.

To investigate the advantages of local logic algorithms for route optimization in government agencies. These algorithms may increase operational efficiency, service delivery, and community participation by using localized data and real-time information. We investigate the practical effects of local logic algorithms in smart city ecosystems using empirical research and case studies.

To provide a framework for assessing local logic algorithm performance in smart city settings. This framework will include journey time, fuel usage, carbon emissions, service response times, and citizen satisfaction. We want to quantify local logic algorithm performance and compare it to global algorithms using field trials and simulations.

To test the integration of local logic algorithms with government navigation systems. This includes considering data compatibility, system interoperability, and user interface design. We want to integrate local logic algorithms into smart city infrastructure seamlessly by working with stakeholders and technology suppliers.

This project will also test and simulate routing algorithms using the Google Maps API and environment. Google Maps' large data resources and innovative features allow us to generate realistic scenarios and test local logic algorithms under different settings. We will also examine how crowd-sourced traffic data and real-time transit timetables might improve route optimization algorithms

This research might offer numerous substantial contributions to smart city development academics and practice in addition to achieving its main goals. This research first examines local logic algorithms for route optimization in government institutions in smart cities to better understand how technology may enhance urban mobility and service delivery. We use empirical research and case studies to provide policymakers, urban planners, and technology developers practical insights and best practices for improving government services in smart cities. This study also contributes to smart city research by creating a framework for assessing local logic algorithm efficacy and effects. To rigorously evaluate the pros and cons of alternative navigation systems, we want to provide explicit criteria and procedures for measuring routing

algorithm performance. This approach may aid urban planning and transportation management research and practice.

This research also integrates the Google Maps API and ecosystem into our trials and simulations to demonstrate the potential of current technological platforms and data resources for smart city efforts. Google Maps lets us construct realistic urban settings and test local logic systems. We also seek to improve our route optimization algorithms by using Google Maps' real-time traffic statistics and transit timetables. We compare global algorithms like Dijkstra's and A\* against local logic algorithms to show their strengths. Instead, than concentrating on the flaws of current algorithms, our research explores how multiple algorithms might work together to create a more robust and adaptable navigation system. We strive to find realistic ways to integrate different routing algorithms into navigation systems to enhance urban mobility and service delivery by working with experts and stakeholders.

In conclusion, this research might help us understand how technology can make cities smarter, more efficient, and more sustainable. We strive to revolutionize smart city development with actual advantages for inhabitants, companies, and government institutions via empirical research, methodological contributions, and practical insights.

#### **CHAPTER 1. LITERATURE REVIEW**

#### <span id="page-9-0"></span>**1.1. Case of IoT Research within Azerbaijan**

In the instance we review the contemporaries within Azerbaijan, it is important to review the work of Dr. Rasim Alguliyev. Dr. Alguliyev did considerable smart city research on using IoT technology to enhance urban infrastructure and services. Dr. Alguliyev studies smart city themes including IoT-enabled urban mobility, intelligent energy management, and environmental monitoring. His research seeks novel ways to optimize resource use, improve sustainability, and improve urban living. Dr. Alguliyev's research has advanced smart city programs in Azerbaijan and abroad. His research has improved our knowledge of IoT technologies in urban settings and offered politicians, urban planners, and technology developers' useful advice.

Academics worldwide have cited Dr. Alguliyev's smart city and urban sustainability studies. Azerbaijani scholars are knowledgeable and dedicated to IoT-enabled smart city research innovation. Dr. Rasim Alguliyev's IoT-enabled smart city research addresses numerous urban issues and promotes sustainable development. His IoT-based smart city infrastructure, services, and governance research improves urban efficiency, resilience, and quality of life. Alguliyev focuses on cybersecurity and CPS (Cyber-Physical System).

Besides transportation, Dr. Alguliyev explores IoT in energy management and sustainability. He researches smart grid, renewable energy, and energy-efficient building technologies to reduce city carbon emissions and resource utilization. He explores sensor networks and data analytics for air quality, water resource, and waste management optimization. Dr. Alguliyev studies environmental monitoring systems for urban sustainability and decision-making.

#### **1.2. Literature review of work by Carlo Ratti**

One of the experts within this sphere – where IoT & Smart Cities integrate is Carlo Rotti. Carlo Ratti, a renowned architect, engineer, and MIT professor, has spent his career studying urban planning, design, and technology. Ratti's studies and articles have examined how IoT (Internet of Things) technology may make cities smarter and more sustainable.

Ratti has focused on collecting and analyzing urban system and human behavior data using IoT devices and sensor technology. His study examines how data-driven insights might improve city planning and administration, improving infrastructure, services, and quality of life.

Ratti has written on integrating IoT devices into urban transit, energy, public spaces, and structures. He envisions real-time monitoring, analysis, and optimization of urban processes via sensors in municipal infrastructure and common items.

Ratti has studied urban mobility using IoT-enabled sensors in automobiles, traffic signals, and road infrastructure to measure traffic flow, congestion, and travel behavior. Ratti and his colleagues analyzed this data to learn how communities might optimize transportation systems, minimize congestion, and increase accessibility for all citizens.

In another research, Ratti examined IoT devices' energy management and sustainability possibilities. Ratti uses sensors in buildings, utilities, and renewable energy systems to monitor energy use, uncover inefficiencies, and optimize resource utilization to minimize carbon emissions and improve urban sustainability.

Ratti also studies public places and urban design. He studied how IoT devices like smart lighting, interactive displays, and environmental sensors may improve public area usage, safety, and appeal, encouraging community involvement and social interaction.

Ratti uses a wide range of IoT devices, from sensors and actuators to complex data collecting and communication systems. Some examples are:

Wireless sensors: These devices measure temperature, humidity, air quality, and noise.

GPS trackers: Track automobiles, people, and other things in metropolitan areas.

RFID tags provide real-time monitoring and identification for asset management and inventory control.

Smart meters: Monitor energy, water, and other resource flows in buildings and utilities.

Connected vehicles: Sensors and communication systems collect data on driving behavior, traffic, and road infrastructure.

Smartphones and wearables: Collect data on individual activities, preferences, and urban interactions.

Carlo Ratti's study shows that IoT technology may revolutionize cities. Ratti envisions an intelligent, responsive, and sustainable urban environment that improves urban people' wellbeing and prosperity by exploiting data and connection.

# **1.3 Literature review of work by Deborah Estrin**

A notable computer scientist and professor at Cornell Tech and Weill Cornell Medical College, Deborah Estrin has made significant contributions to IoT and mobile sensing systems, notably in smart cities. Her study uses IoT devices and sensing technologies to gather, analyze, and interpret urban environment and human behavior data. Estrin has pioneered IoT-based solutions to urban problems, public health, and quality of life globally.

Estrin designs and implements IoT-enabled urban environmental monitoring and management solutions. She directed research efforts to establish sensor networks to assess city air, water, noise, and other environmental characteristics. These sensor networks collect real-time environmental data from wireless sensors, actuators, and data recorders strategically placed across metropolitan areas.

Estrin highlights the need for sturdy and dependable IoT devices that can resist tough urban conditions and provide accurate measurements over time in her study. She designs tiny, energyefficient, and cost-effective sensors alongside engineers and manufacturers for large-scale smart city implementation. Estrin also works on urban healthcare uses of IoT technology beyond environmental monitoring. She studies urban health data collection using wearable devices, mobile health applications, and remote monitoring systems. IoT-enabled healthcare systems monitor vital signs, medication adherence, and illness symptoms in real time for early identification and treatment. Estrin also studies how IoT devices might enhance efficiency, accessibility, and safety in urban infrastructure and public services. She researches smart sensors in transportation, energy, and municipal services to optimize resource use, minimize congestion, and improve public safety. IoT-enabled urban systems offer data-driven decisionmaking and adaptive resource management, making cities more resilient and sustainable.

IoT devices utilized in Estrin's study include several technologies adapted to certain applications and conditions. Some examples are:

Wireless environmental sensors: These devices provide real-time air quality, temperature, humidity, and other environmental data for pollution monitoring and control.

Water quality sensors: Monitor pH, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity in rivers, lakes, and reservoirs to ensure water resource safety and sustainability.

Wearable health monitors: These gadgets assess heart rate, blood pressure, and activity levels to monitor urban residents' health and behavior.

Smart meters and sensors: Measure energy, water, and traffic flow in buildings, utilities, and transportation systems to optimize resource use and efficiency.

IoT-enabled lighting, traffic signals, and waste management systems with sensors and actuators to increase urban energy efficiency, traffic control, and garbage collection.

#### **CHAPTER 2. METHODOLOGY**

#### <span id="page-12-0"></span>**2.1 . Forecasted Solution based on Literature**

Before delving in the case of Azerbaijan, let us start off with an international example, Indonesian traffic is well-known and affects many people's everyday life. Traffic jams are caused by the number of cars on the road, narrow highways, road user behavior, and road activities. These aspects make the situation complicated and difficult, requiring creative solutions. Dijkstra's technique, a well-known and thoroughly researched pathfinding technique, may be used to identify the shortest route between two places, often known as the shortest route problem.

Traffic congestion study focuses on finding ways around congested locations. In this case, Dijkstra's Algorithm requires many steps. The algorithm first finds possible paths from the origin to the destination. It then evaluates these routes by length to find the shortest. However, the algorithm continues. To reduce traffic congestion, it adds a condition to remove routes that may be crowded. The algorithm creates an efficient, congestion-free route by considering route length and congestion.

Even in emerging nations, traffic congestion is a major issue. Traffic congestion may not bother drivers or road users who aren't in a hurry, yet it affects many facets of everyday life. Traffic congestion increases travel times, fuel use, and emissions, which harm the environment. Traffic delays also impact company productivity, transit logistics, and quality of life. Finding efficient ways to avoid traffic is the shortest route issue, a popular graph theory subject. Many methods have been devised to solve this issue, each having strengths, weaknesses, and applicability. Transportation planning, network routing, and logistics optimization use it extensively. The method examines the network from the source node, visiting nearby nodes and considering edge weight. Dijkstra's method effectively finds the shortest route to all accessible nodes from the source by keeping a priority queue and updating node distances. The Bellman-Ford method can handle graphs with negative edge weights and is adaptable. It updates node distances repeatedly as it examines all graph pathways. Even with negative edge weights, the method finds the shortest pathways by repeating this procedure for a set number of iterations. This technique is used in financial modeling and network routing systems.

The A\* search algorithm combines Dijkstra's and heuristic search benefits. A heuristic function assesses the distance from each node to the target to influence its search approach. A\* search method intelligently traverses the graph by considering both the actual distance traveled and the predicted remaining distance, improving pathfinding. This method is used in robotics, AI, and navigation.

Floyd-Warshall is meant to identify the shortest route between all graph node pairs. It works by treating each node as a possible link between two others. The method gradually finds the shortest pathways for all pairs of nodes by updating node distances. When network connection research and traffic flow modeling need the shortest pathways between all pairs of nodes, the Floyd-Warshall method is helpful.

Johnson's algorithm is a novel combination of Dijkstra's and Bellman-Ford's. It is optimized for graphs with negative edge weights and finds the shortest route between all node pairs. Dijkstra's algorithm is applied to the changed network after the algorithm transforms it. Johnson's method is used in transportation planning, urban infrastructure, and social network analysis.

Dijkstra's bidirectional search technique investigates the network from both the source and destination nodes. The technique efficiently finds the shortest route between source and destination nodes using two search frontiers that extend toward each other. In big graphs, the bidirectional search technique decreases search space and improves computing performance.

While the breadth-first search technique is straightforward and obvious, it finds the shortest route in an unweighted network. The graph is explored breadth-first, visiting surrounding nodes before continuing to the next level.

Maintaining a queue of nodes to visit ensures the algorithm finds the quickest route to the destination. Breadth-first search is a building component for more advanced pathfinding algorithms, although it works best on unweighted networks. The method used relies on the issue, graph, and application requirements. Researchers and practitioners carefully assess these aspects to choose the best algorithm by situation. As algorithm design and computer tools improve, new and better methods for addressing the shortest route issue in traffic congestion are developed.

# <span id="page-13-0"></span>**2.2 Explanation of the criteria for algorithm selection and comparison**

Choosing and comparing algorithms involves several considerations. Problem, input data, and desired attributes determine algorithm selection. Here are significant algorithm selection and comparison criteria: Correctness matters first. For all inputs, the method should output correct results and fulfill issue criteria without mistakes. Efficiency includes time complexity, space complexity, and real-world performance.

Efficiency determines algorithm speed. Scalability measures the algorithm's efficiency as input size increases. Scalable algorithms do well with greater inputs. Optimal algorithms ensure the optimum answer depending on criteria. Determining whether the issue requires an optimum or approximation solution is crucial. Limitations must be considered. Some algorithms can only handle certain input data. Compatibility with issue limitations is crucial. Algorithms commonly trade off temporal complexity for memory utilization or optimality for efficiency.

Understanding these trade-offs is crucial when choosing an algorithm. Resource and library availability for an algorithm is also important. Use existing implementations, libraries, or resources to reduce time and assure reliability. Selection and comparison of algorithms involve thorough examination of these factors and knowing the problem's features and requirements. Using these criteria to evaluate several algorithms helps find the best one for a task.

## <span id="page-14-0"></span>**2.3 Explanation of the performance metrics employed to evaluate the algorithms**

Evaluation and comparison of algorithm efficiency and effectiveness need performance measures. Several typical performance measures may give information. Big O and Theta notations are used to quantify algorithm computational time. Space complexity uses Big O notation to assess an algorithm's memory or space needs. Speedup also calculates an algorithm's relative improvement over a reference algorithm.

When a known or optimum solution is available, algorithm output accuracy is crucial. The approximation ratio, usually a ratio or percentage, measures how near an approximate solution is to the best answer.

The number of comparisons or operations an algorithm does, notably in sorting, searching, or data processing, indicates its efficiency. Finally, scalability compares method performance as input size rises to see whether performance degrades with higher issue sizes. These performance indicators help choose the best algorithm for certain issue situations by evaluating and comparing algorithms.

#### <span id="page-14-1"></span>**2.4 . Implementation of Dijkstra's algorithm as a method**

Urban traffic congestion occurs when transportation demand exceeds road network capacity, slowing speeds, lengthening travel times, and frustrating commuters. This harms people, companies, and the economy. Traffic congestion is reduced via efficient routes, which have several benefits. First, efficient routes reduce traffic delays and travel times. Time savings allow people to get to their destinations faster and enhance productivity. Reduce idle and optimize fuel efficiency using route planning to save gasoline. The environment benefits from fewer emissions and air pollution, while drivers save money. Safety is important because crowded roadways cause accidents. Optimizing routes and lowering congestion reduces accidents, improving road safety. Traffic congestion also stresses and frustrates people. Finding good routes helps reduce these unpleasant feelings, making travel more enjoyable and life better. In conclusion, decreasing traffic congestion and prioritizing route design improve transportation efficiency, travel times, fuel savings, environmental impact, safety, and quality of life for people and communities.

The graph theory shortest path problem finds the fastest path between two nodes. Nodes are linked by edges, which may have weights or charges. The goal is to find the cheapest route between source and destination nodes. Dijkstra's algorithm, named for Dutch computer scientist Edsger W. Dijkstra, is commonly used to solve graphs' shortest route issue. It finds the shortest route from a source node to all other nodes in networks with non-negative edge weights.

A more detailed than previously shown explanation of Dijkstra's algorithm follows:

Initialization: Assign a tentative distance value to each graph node. Source node distance is 0, but all other nodes are initialized at infinity.

Current Node Selection: Select the node with the shortest tentative distance and mark it as visited.

Tentative Distance Calculation: Determine the tentative distance between nearby nodes. The tentative distance of the current node is increased by the weight of the edge linking it to the nearby node. Update the distance value if this tentative distance is less than the nearby node's previously allocated distance.

Current Node Update: Mark the node as visited after considering its neighbors. Iteration: Repeat steps 2-4 until all nodes are visited or the goal is reached.

Route Reconstruction: The method determines the shortest route from the source node to any other node in the network by retracing the path with the fewest tentative distances.

While Dijkstra's algorithm guarantees finding the shortest path in a graph with non-negative edge weights, alternative algorithms such as Bellman-Ford or Johnson's algorithm should be utilized if negative weights are present. Here's a pseudo code representation of Dijkstra's algorithm:

<span id="page-16-1"></span>*Table 1 Implementation of Dijkstra*

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function Dijkstra(graph, source):
     create empty set visited
     create empty map distance
     create empty map previous
    for each node in graph:
         set distance[node] to infinity
    set distance[source] to 0
     while there are unvisited nodes:
         current = node with the smallest distance in distance map that is not visited
         add current to visited
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#### <span id="page-16-0"></span>**2.5. Implementation of Bellman-Ford algorithm as a method**

Traffic congestion and the Bellman-Ford algorithm's necessity of discovering optimal routes are related. Traffic congestion is a complicated issue that arises when transportation demand exceeds road network capacity, slowing speeds, lengthening travel times, and frustrating commuters. By finding ideal routes to reduce congestion and improve transportation efficiency, the Bellman-Ford algorithm helps solve this problem. Effective routes reduce travel distances, which helps with Bellman-Ford algorithm traffic congestion. Use the algorithm's ability to locate the shortest path between nodes, even with negative edge weights, to create commuter routes that are most efficient. These shorter routes save travel time and congestion by spreading traffic over several pathways rather than concentrating it on a few busy routes. Management of traffic bottlenecks is also crucial to the Bellman-Ford algorithm. Bottlenecks including intersections, highway merging, and construction zones create traffic delays. The algorithm may manage traffic flow and reduce congestion at important locations by discovering optimal routes outside crowded or inefficient places.

This traffic redistribution improves vehicle flow and reduces congestion in bottleneck locations. The Bellman-Ford algorithm optimizes transportation resources and manages congested locations. It optimizes highway and major roadway capacity by effectively assigning traffic to

routes. This optimization approach optimizes resource use, reducing congestion and fostering a sustainable, efficient transportation system.

Thus, the algorithm's route-finding skill is crucial to balancing transportation demand and resources. Increasing traffic flow is another essential role of the Bellman-Ford algorithm in reducing traffic congestion. Delays, frequent pauses, and car collisions define congested roadways. By finding the shortest pathways, the Bellman-Ford algorithm optimizes traffic flow by reducing disturbances. Identifying optimal routes increases traffic flow, minimizes stop-andgo, and boosts transportation network efficiency. The algorithm's influence goes beyond lowering travel times and congestion to adding fluidity to traffic. Integration with real-time traffic management systems makes the Bellman-Ford algorithm even more useful for traffic congestion reduction. The program adjusts routes dynamically by assessing and updating shortest path information depending on traffic, incidents, and congestion. This flexibility provides real-time reaction and optimization, improving traffic flow and congestion. Traffic management and congestion reduction depend on the algorithm's timely and actionable observations. Bellman-Ford algorithm pseudo code:

<span id="page-17-1"></span>*Table 2 Implementation of BellmanFord*

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function BellmanFord(graph, source):
     create empty map distance
     create empty map previous
    for each node in graph:
         set distance[node] to infinity
     set distance[source] to 0
   for i from 1 to |V|-1, where |V| is the number of nodes in the graph:
         for each edge (u, v) in graph:
            if distance[u] + weight(u, v) < distance[v]:
                set distance[v] to distance[u] + weight(u, v)
                 set previous[v] to u
```
#### <span id="page-17-0"></span>2.5 Implementation of A\* search algorithm as a method

Traffic congestion and appropriate routes remain important when using the  $A^*$  search method. Traffic congestion occurs when demand for transportation exceeds road network capacity, slowing speeds, prolonging travel times, and increasing commuter unhappiness.

The A\* search method relies on effective route identification to reduce traffic and improve transportation networks. In the context of the A\* search algorithm, efficient routes and traffic

congestion are discussed below: First, the A\* search method optimizes journey time by considering the destination's distance and estimated remaining cost. These two factors allow the computer to select routes that minimize distance and decrease congestion or speed up travel. Thus, this optimization method reduces commuter delays and travel time.

Second, the A<sup>\*</sup> search method uses a heuristic function to predict destination costs from each node. Using real-time or historical traffic data, this heuristic tool may recommend routes that avoid crowded regions or traffic hotspots.

The algorithm distributes cars more evenly and reduces congestion by redirecting traffic from busy areas. The A\* search algorithm may also include real-time traffic data including traffic flow, incidents, and road closures. The program constantly adjusts routes to changing congestion levels by updating the heuristic function and integrating traffic circumstances. This flexibility helps choose better routes and improves transportation system response to congestion. The A\* search algorithm considers more than distance and traffic congestion. It may consider road capacity, circumstances, traffic lights, or user preferences. The program balances several criteria and optimizes commuting by combining these different aspects into the search process.

The A\* search method also supports multi-modal transportation systems including public transit and pedestrian routing. The algorithm optimizes multi-modal travel and reduces congestion by promoting alternative transportation by integrating and connecting modes. When applied to traffic congestion, the A\* search algorithm helps identify routes that minimize travel time, avoid congested areas, enable dynamic route planning, consider multiple factors, and enable multimodal transportation. These results reduce congestion, increase transportation efficiency, and improve commute.

<span id="page-18-0"></span>*Table 3 Implementation of A\**

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function AStarSearch(graph, source, destination, heuristic):
     create empty map distance
     create empty map previous
     create empty set openSet
     set distance[source] to 0
     add source to openSet
     while openSet is not empty:
         current <- node in openSet with the lowest total cost (distance[current] + heuristic(current, 
destination))
         if current is equal to destination:
             // Destination reached, terminate
             break
         remove current from openSet
         for each neighbor of current:
             tentativeDistance <- distance[current] + cost(current, neighbor)
             if tentativeDistance < distance[neighbor]:
                set distance[neighbor] to tentativeDistance
                 set previous[neighbor] to current
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#### <span id="page-19-0"></span>**2.6 Implementation of Floyd-Warshall algorithm as a method**  $\sim$  imprementation of 1 to  $\lambda$

When dealing with traffic congestion and route optimization, the Floyd-Warshall algorithm is crucial. Traffic congestion occurs when transportation demand exceeds road network capacity, resulting in slower speeds, longer journey times, and commuter discontent.

The Floyd-Warshall algorithm prioritizes optimal routes to reduce traffic and maximize transportation efficiency. Using the Floyd-Warshall algorithm, we can see how effective routes affect traffic congestion: Effective Route Planning: The Floyd-Warshall algorithm solves the all-pairs shortest route issue completely. It carefully calculates the shortest pathways between every pair of nodes in a graph, taking edge distances and costs into consideration. The method reduces trip distances, congestion, and traffic flow in the transportation network by finding the best paths between any two nodes. Traffic redistribution: Route design is crucial to reducing congestion.  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is not nuclear isometric in the null  $\mathbb{R}^n$  $\mathbf{v}$ reverse parameters

The Floyd-Warshall algorithm may reroute traffic from crowded locations or popular routes by carefully locating cheaper alternatives. Thus, the algorithm distributes traffic loads fairly, reducing congestion hotspots and balancing road network use.

In real-time traffic control, the Floyd-Warshall algorithm is useful. The algorithm adjusts routes quickly by updating the shortest path information in response to changing traffic circumstances. This flexibility allows transportation authorities to manage traffic flow, divert cars to less crowded pathways, and improve network efficiency. Response and Recovery: Accidents, road closures, and construction may worsen traffic. By quickly analyzing alternate routes that circumvent impacted regions, the Floyd-Warshall algorithm is essential. The algorithm aids event reaction and recovery by giving a graph overview and alternate paths. It minimizes interruptions, decreases traffic congestion, and improves traffic flow.

The Floyd-Warshall algorithm's ability to determine the shortest pathways and evaluate all alternative routes makes it ideal for predictive analysis and future planning. The program helps detect bottleneck locations by evaluating previous traffic data and predicting population increase and infrastructure development. It also helps build routes for future transportation demands, proactively addressing congestion issues. Overall, the Floyd-Warshall algorithm helps reduce traffic congestion by efficiently computing all-pairs shortest paths, redistributing traffic, managing traffic in real time, responding to and recovering from incidents, and supporting predictive analysis and future planning. These efforts reduce congestion, increase transportation efficiency, and improve commute. The shortest path issue in graph theory—finding the shortest path between all pairs of nodes—remains crucial. Finding the least cost or distance between graph nodes is the main goal. The Floyd-Warshall method, a dynamic programming algorithm, is essential for solving the all-pairs shortest route issue.

<span id="page-20-0"></span>It calculates the shortest pathways between all pairs of nodes in a graph, taking edge distances or costs into consideration. To summarize its operation, the method initializes a distance matrix to hold node costs or distances. Each node is considered a possible intermediate node, and the distance matrix is updated by comparing distances via the intermediate node iteratively. After iterations, the distance matrix includes all node pairings' shortest distances. The technique tracks previous nodes throughout computation to provide optional route rebuilding. The Floyd-Warshall method effectively handles graphs with positive and negative edge weights using dynamic programming, making it suited for negative weight cases. The method has a time complexity of  $O(V^3)$ , where V is the number of nodes in the graph. Dijkstra's method or the A\* search algorithm may be more efficient for bigger networks. In conclusion, the Floyd-Warshall method solves the all-pairs shortest route issue efficiently and robustly, revealing the shortest pathways between any pair of nodes in a network.

```
function FloydWarshall(graph):
    let dist be a |V| \times |V| array of minimum distances, initialized with infinity
    let next be a |V| \times |V| array of next nodes, initialized with null
     for each edge (u, v) in graph:
        dist[u][v] = weight(u, v) // Set the direct edge weight
     for each node v in graph:
        dist[v][v] = 0 // Set distance to itself as 0 for each intermediate node k in graph:
```
## **CHAPTER 3.STATE OF THE ART**

#### <span id="page-22-0"></span>**3.1. Status of amalgamated research**

Smart city research has grown globally, focusing on using technology to solve urban problems and improve quality of life. Smart city technology research has increased in CIS nations, including Azerbaijan, to boost economic development, infrastructure, and sustainability.

Smart city researchers in CIS nations have studied urban mobility, energy management, and digital government. Studies have used sensor networks and data analytics to enhance public transit, decrease traffic, and improve air quality. Researchers have also developed smart grid technology to boost energy efficiency and renewable energy.

West, especially Europe and North America, has conducted much smart city research. Scholars and practitioners are exploring new urban mobility, digital connection, and social inclusion solutions. Smart mobility hubs, autonomous cars, and shared mobility services are popular approaches to cut carbon emissions and enhance transportation efficiency.

Global smart city research may inform policy and strategic planning in Azerbaijan. Azerbaijan can construct smarter, more resilient cities faster by using global best practices and lessons. Smart city technology may improve air quality, energy consumption, innovation, and investment in the area.

Staying current on smart city research and trends is vital as Azerbaijan develop and execute smart city programs. The area can lead smart city innovation and drive good change and sustainable progress for years by remaining aware of global advancements and partnering with international partners.

#### <span id="page-22-1"></span> **3.2. Research done from Algorithmic point of view**

Over the last five years, Azerbaijan, Russia, and Georgia have undertaken research on algorithms like A\*, Dijkstra, and Hellman for urban planning and infrastructure optimization in smart city development.

Researchers from Azerbaijani universities and government agencies have studied these algorithms for route planning, traffic control, and emergency response. Baku State University studied the efficiency of A\* algorithm in optimizing Baku public transportation routes to reduce trip time and improve service dependability.

# **3.2.1. A\* Algorithm**

But what is A\* algorithm and how does it help us with our research? The following short explanation is an easy way to grasp the theory.

The A\* algorithm is a popular pathfinding algorithm used in many applications, including route planning in maps and navigation systems. It is an extension of Dijkstra's algorithm with a heuristic component, making it more efficient in finding the shortest path between two nodes in a graph. Here's how A\* works:

*### Algorithm Overview:*

*1. \*\*Initialization\*\*: Set the initial node as the start node and add it to the open set. Set the initial cost of reaching the start node to 0.*

*2. \*\*While the open set is not empty\*\*:*

- \*\*Select the node with the lowest  $f(n)$  value\*\* (where  $f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$ ), where:

 *- g(n) is the cost of reaching node n from the start node.*

 *- h(n) is the estimated cost of reaching the goal node from node n (heuristic function).*

 *- \*\*If the selected node is the goal node\*\*, reconstruct the path and return it.*

 *- \*\*Otherwise, expand the selected node\*\*:*

 *- For each neighbor of the selected node:*

 *- Calculate the tentative cost of reaching that neighbor from the start node (g\_score).*

 *- If the neighbor is not in the open set, add it and update its g\_score.*

 *- If the neighbor is already in the open set and the new g\_score is lower than its current g\_score, update its g\_score and set its parent to the selected node.*

 *- \*\*Move the selected node from the open set to the closed set\*\*.*

*### Mathematical Expressions:*

*- \*\*g(n)\*\*: The cost of reaching node n from the start node. It is calculated as the sum of the costs of the edges traversed from the start node to node n.*

*- \*\*h(n)\*\*: The estimated cost of reaching the goal node from node n. It is a heuristic function that provides an optimistic estimate of the remaining cost. Common heuristics include Euclidean distance, Manhattan distance, and straight-line distance.*

*- \*\*f(n)\*\*: The total estimated cost of reaching the goal node from the start node through node n. It is calculated as the sum of g(n) and h(n).*

*### Explanation:*

*- A\* combines the advantages of Dijkstra's algorithm (guaranteed shortest paths) with the efficiency of heuristic search.*

*- The heuristic function h(n) guides the search towards the goal node by providing an estimate of the remaining cost. It biases the search towards nodes that are likely to lead to the goal, resulting in a more efficient exploration of the search space.*

*- The algorithm terminates when the goal node is reached or when the open set is empty (indicating that there is no path to the goal).*

*- A\* guarantees to find the shortest path if:*

 *- The heuristic function h(n) is admissible (never overestimates the true cost to reach the goal).*

 *- The graph does not contain cycles of negative cost.*

Russian academics at Moscow State University and St. Petersburg State University have studied Dijkstra's algorithm for traffic flow optimization and congestion management. This research aim to create intelligent transportation systems that improve urban mobility networks using real-time data and predictive analytics.

# **3.2.1 Dijkstra Algorithm**

Classic pathfinding method Dijkstra's algorithm finds the shortest route between two nodes in a weighted network. It guarantees the shortest route to each node by exploring all pathways from the start node to all other graph nodes. How Dijkstra's algorithm works:

*### Algorithm Overview:*

*1. \*\*Initialization\*\*: Set the initial node as the start node and add it to the open set. Set the initial cost of reaching the start node to 0.*

*2. \*\*While the open set is not empty\*\*:*

 *- \*\*Select the node with the lowest cost\*\* (minimum distance/cost from the start node).*

 *- \*\*If the selected node is the goal node\*\*, reconstruct the path and return it.*

 *- \*\*Otherwise, expand the selected node\*\*:*

 *- For each neighbor of the selected node:*

 *- Calculate the tentative cost of reaching that neighbor from the start node.*

 *- If the tentative cost is lower than the current cost of reaching the neighbor, update its cost and set its parent to the selected node.*

 *- \*\*Move the selected node from the open set to the closed set\*\*.*

*### Mathematical Expressions:*

*- \*\*Distance (d)\*\*: The current known distance from the start node to a particular node. Initially, all distances are set to infinity except for the start node, which is set to 0.*

*- \*\*Cost (c)\*\*: The weight of the edge connecting two nodes in the graph.*

*- \*\*Total Cost (tc)\*\*: The total cost of reaching a node from the start node through a particular path. It is the sum of the distances of all edges traversed in that path.*

*### Explanation:*

*- Dijkstra's algorithm explores the graph by iteratively selecting the node with the lowest cost (minimum distance) from the start node and expanding it.*

*- It updates the distances to neighboring nodes based on the cost of the edges connecting them, ensuring that it always selects the shortest path available.*

*- The algorithm terminates when the goal node is reached or when there are no more nodes to explore (indicating that there is no path to the goal).*

*- Dijkstra's algorithm guarantees to find the shortest path from the start node to all other nodes in the graph if:*

 *- All edge weights are non-negative (positive or zero).*

 *- The graph does not contain cycles of negative cost.*

Georgia smart city research has employed A\* and Dijkstra algorithms for urban planning and resource allocation. Research at Tbilisi State University examined if A\* algorithm might optimize garbage collection routes in Tbilisi to reduce fuel usage and environmental effect.

In addition, CIS researchers have investigated unique algorithmic optimization methods like the Hellman algorithm, which may be useful in network security and data privacy. While not focused on smart city development, research in Azerbaijan, Russia, and Georgia have examined Hellman algorithm's effects on IoT device security and urban vital infrastructure. Research on algorithms like A\*, Dijkstra, and Hellman in smart cities in the CIS area has been extensive and multidimensional, covering a variety of applications and fields. These algorithms' full potential in solving urbanization's complex problems and promoting sustainable development in the area needs additional study as smart city efforts grow.

The reason behind so many research papers being within the range of algorithms have several reasons:

Precision and Effectiveness: Algorithms power smart city applications like route optimization and resource distribution. Researchers may create precise and effective urban solutions by concentrating on algorithms and their application. This tailored strategy optimizes resource allocation and solution effect.

Scalability and Generalizability: Algorithms can solve a variety of urban problems in various cities and regions due to their scalability and generalizability. By creating adaptable and scalable algorithms, researchers may offer effective and scalable solutions for wider deployment and impact.

Algorithm research commonly incorporates computer scientists, urban planners, engineers, and politicians. Multidisciplinary viewpoints on difficult urban challenges encourage innovation and creativity. Focusing on algorithms and their application allows academics to combine knowledge from other fields to solve smart city problems.

Algorithms use data to make decisions and suggestions. Researchers may learn about urban dynamics and behavior by examining massive datasets and using data analytics. This datadriven method permits evidence-based decision-making and targeted urban problem-solving solutions.

Technology and social demands form smart cities, which are adaptable to new technologies. Researchers may keep current on developing technologies and trends by concentrating on algorithms and their application, ensuring that their solutions remain relevant and successful in changing urban contexts.

Focusing on algorithms and their application allows academics to build accurate, scalable, and data-driven solutions to urbanization's complex difficulties in a methodical and efficient manner. Researchers may innovate and build smarter, more sustainable cities using algorithms.

# <span id="page-27-0"></span>**3.3 Research done from Ecological point of view**

For this thesis, ecological output and benefit of the topic is as important as the innovative side of the items. Thus, for example, while our nation rebuilds Azerbaijan, often seen in other countries and renovation cases, we should take care of the environment as of the highest importance. Considering how severe the damage and the scar of Armenian occupation is still affecting the land, this is the only route which can be taken.

Smart city research on ecological sustainability has grown in recent years due to the need to solve urban environmental issues. Researchers in Azerbaijan, CIS, and South America are developing creative ways to reduce urbanization's environmental impact and promote sustainable development. Key research topics in this field include:

Green Infrastructure Development: Green roofs, urban forests, and permeable pavements have been studied to promote biodiversity, air quality, and the urban heat island effect. Research in Azerbaijan and CIS nations has identified green infrastructure project sites and quantified their ecological effects.

Renewable Energy Integration: Researchers have investigated integrating solar, wind, and hydroelectric power into urban energy systems to minimize fossil fuel use and carbon emissions. Azerbaijan and South American studies have examined renewable energy technology viability and promise to support sustainable energy transitions.

Smart Transportation Solutions: Electric cars, bike-sharing programs, and intelligent traffic management systems have been studied to minimize greenhouse gas emissions and traffic congestion. CIS and South American projects have examined how these changes affect air quality, public health, and urban mobility.

Using smart sensors, data analytics, and waste-to-energy technology, studies have optimized waste management systems to reduce landfill trash and increase recycling and composting. Azerbaijan and CIS nations have studied novel trash collecting, sorting, and disposal methods to reduce pollution and save resources.

Ecosystem Monitoring and Conservation: Researchers have studied urban ecosystems, biodiversity, and natural environments. Azerbaijan and South American projects have examined urbanization's ecological effects and advocated habitat restoration and protection.

Community participation and Education: Smart cities' ecological sustainability depends on community participation and education, according to research. Azerbaijan and CIS communities have participated in environmental monitoring, green infrastructure initiatives, and sustainable lifestyle choices to promote environmental stewardship and resilience.

Smart cities for ecological sustainability study covers several subjects and methods to make cities more resilient, habitable, and environmentally friendly. This research may inform policy, urban planning, and sustainable development in Azerbaijan, CIS countries, South American states, and beyond. Policymakers, urban planners, and communities may collaborate to create a sustainable future for future generations by using research.

In summary, research in smart cities with an emphasis on ecological sustainability has been vigorous and diversified, encompassing numerous geographies like Azerbaijan, CIS countries, and South American states. Studies have examined green infrastructure, renewable energy integration, smart mobility, waste management optimization, ecosystem monitoring, and community participation. Future research may focus on circular economy techniques, naturebased solutions, and climate change adaptation strategies through use of technology.

## <span id="page-29-0"></span>**3.4 Research done from IoT point of view**

IoT is everywhere nowadays. We cannot, not take it into consideration. In our case there are several reasons as to why we need the use of IoT [35]. IoT technology is crucial to smart city research and development, providing several advantages for example, in the case of rebuilding and regeneration activities in Azerbaijan. Why IoT should be a focus of smart city research and how it might help Azerbaijan rebuild:

Data-Driven Decision Making: IoT sensors in transportation systems, buildings, and utilities create massive volumes of real-time data. Policymakers and urban planners in Azerbaijan may use IoT platforms and analytics to understand urban dynamics and make educated decisions for resource allocation and infrastructure development.

Smart meters for utilities, intelligent traffic management systems, and remote monitoring devices for public services maximize resource utilization and operational efficiency using IoT. IoT technology may help Azerbaijan rebuild sustainably and save waste by managing resources.

Improved Infrastructure Resilience and Safety: IoT devices provide real-time monitoring and repair of bridges, roads, and utilities. IoT-enabled infrastructure technologies improve resilience and safety by identifying abnormalities and possible breakdowns early, decreasing Azerbaijan reconstruction interruptions and accidents.

Citizenship and Quality of Life: IoT applications like smart lighting, garbage management, and public safety monitoring enable residents to actively shape their communities. Azerbaijan inhabitants may submit input, report concerns, and access key services via IoT-enabled platforms and mobile apps, increasing quality of life and community ownership.

Economic Sustainability: IoT infrastructure and services boost economic development by generating new possibilities for innovation, entrepreneurship, and job creation. IoT technology may boost Azerbaijan's digital economy, attracting investment and boosting prosperity.

Environmental Sustainability: IoT-enabled environmental monitoring systems assess and control urban air, water, and pollution. Azerbaijan may improve sustainability and reduce reconstruction's environmental effect by monitoring ecological indicators and adopting datadriven environmental regulations.

Many worldwide research projects are investigating the integration of IoT technology into smart city development and its effects on diverse fields. Current research on IoT-enabled smart cities in Azerbaijan, and elsewhere covers several areas. Some active research areas are:

IoT-enabled Urban Infrastructure Monitoring: Research projects are employing IoT sensors to monitor bridges, roads, and utilities. These efforts seek to increase infrastructure resilience, maintenance, and Azerbaijan and surrounding area inhabitants' safety.

Smart Transportation and Mobility Solutions: Many studies are using IoT technology to improve urban transportation, traffic, and mobility. Azerbaijan researchers may use IoT sensors for traffic control, intelligent transportation systems, and real-time public transit information to increase inhabitants' accessibility and connection.

Research is undertaken to create IoT-based solutions for air quality monitoring, water quality evaluation, and waste management optimization. Azerbaijan researchers may be using IoT devices to monitor pollution, save resources, and promote sustainable development. Intelligent Energy Systems and Sustainability: Projects are studying IoT technologies for energy efficiency, renewable energy integration, and sustainability. Azerbaijan research may concentrate on smart grid technologies, energy consumption optimization, and renewable energy adoption to minimize carbon emissions and improve energy security.

Research is studying the use of IoT devices and sensors for video surveillance, emergency response, and crime prevention. Researchers in Azerbaijan may be using IoT to increase disaster preparation, public space monitoring, and community resilience to natural and man-made hazards.

#### <span id="page-31-0"></span>**CHAPTER 4. SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE**

#### **4.1. Solution understanding basis**

The proposed solution from our side, is to create a system that will analyze the flow of traffic and determine the following: The state of the road due to car usage, the deduction of carbon emissions due to the abundance of traffic, possible alternative pathways

Our proposed solution will serve for the following items that will be crucial to take care of within near future due to the rebuilding of Azerbaijan: Ecologically clean smart Azerbaijan, road integrity status, eco-Active Implementation.

#### <span id="page-31-1"></span>**4.2. Theoretical Approach**

We now will review the theoretical methodology that incorporates many theoretical frameworks to produce an API-based code aimed at aiding a smart city in mitigating its vehicular congestion via the utilization of Internet of Things (IoT) gadgets in automobiles. This may be achieved by using the devices.

The architecture in question is exemplified by the Internet of Things (IoT). The use of the IoT holds promise for the advancement of smart cities, since it enables the collection and analysis of data from sensors integrated inside diverse urban systems, such as transportation networks.

Another theoretical framework that might be employed is the concept of traffic flow theory. This theoretical framework emphasizes the need of understanding the complex interplay between traffic flow, road capacity, and human behavior. Our goal is to create an API-driven solution that enhances traffic flow and reduces congestion in metropolitan areas by first assessing traffic flow patterns and subsequently acquiring an understanding of the factors that influence traffic flow. The criteria include the magnitude, velocity, and concentration of the traffic.

We will go through several steps to create API-based code that aids a smart city in mitigating automotive congestion. The first step is identifying the Internet of Things (IoT) devices that may be used for the purpose of collecting data from autos. Illustrative instances of such devices include GPS sensors, speed sensors, and fuel sensors. We would also ascertain the specific data points that need collection such as the city points, roundabouts, busy streets and fast lanes, vehicle's location, speed, and fuel efficiency.

The next step involves strategizing and developing an application programming interface (API) driven solution that integrates data from these Internet of Things devices into existing urban

systems, such as transportation systems or traffic management systems. This proposed system utilizes application programming interfaces (APIs) to enable real-time monitoring and analysis of traffic flow patterns. Additionally, it offers valuable insights into the many elements that influence traffic flow and congestion.

The third phase involves using machine learning algorithms to analyze the data collected from Internet of Things devices and predict future traffic flow patterns. This would enable the development of predictive models that may be used to enhance traffic flow and mitigate congestion in urban environments.

During the fourth step, the proposed approach involves either incorporating the solution via an Application Programming Interface (API) into the existing transportation systems or developing novel transportation systems that use the data acquired from Internet of Things (IoT) devices. This may include the generation of up-to-date traffic data and alerts, the enhancement of traffic signal timing, and the advancement of alternate modes of transportation such as public transit or ride-sharing platforms.

In summary, the development of an application programming interface (API)-based code aimed at mitigating automobile traffic in a smart city through the utilization of Internet of Things (IoT) devices necessitates a theoretical framework that encompasses various theoretical perspectives, such as the Internet of Things and traffic flow theory. By using these conceptual frameworks, the theoretical approach will possess the capability for us to devise and build an application programming interface (API)-driven solution that enhances traffic flow and mitigates congestion in urban environments. The use of this approach is expected to provide significant benefits for both urban dwellers and the surrounding areas.

# **4.1.1 Use of Google Maps API**

To create IoT solutions for smart cities in Azerbaijan using the Google Maps API, employ a theoretical approach that integrates many theoretical frameworks. The Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) posits that perceived usefulness and ease of use influence technology adoption. In the Google Maps API, understanding these factors is crucial to creating user-centric solutions that encourage widespread adoption.

Another theoretical framework, the Triple Helix model, emphasizes stakeholder collaboration in IoT solution development and implementation. Smart cities in Azerbaijan may use their expertise and resources to IoT innovation via public-private collaborations and academic alliances.

Socio-technical systems can also ensure the social and ethical responsibility of integrating the Google Maps API into IoT solutions in smart cities in Azerbaijan. This theoretical framework helps recognize the interconnection of social and technical components in urban contexts, emphasizing the necessity to consider smart city advancement's social and ethical impacts.

Several steps may be done to operationalize the theoretical framework. The first step is identifying Azerbaijan's urban systems that may benefit from the Google Maps API. These systems include energy, transportation, and public safety, among others.

The next phase involves actively involving government, commercial, and academic stakeholders to create a cooperative structure for creating and executing Internet of Things (IoT) solutions that integrate the Google Maps API. This may involve public-private cooperation, joint research, and training and capacity-building.

The next step involves developing and implementing Google Maps API-integrated IoT applications. This process involves collecting and analyzing sensor data from various urban systems, assimilation of location data into existing urban systems, and the construction of new Google Maps API-based apps and services.

The fourth phase would evaluate the impact of IoT solutions incorporating the Google Maps API on urban Azerbaijan's efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life. Critical performance parameters including energy consumption, transportation congestion, and crime rates may be monitored and assessed.

APIs build and enforce rules and procedures that allow two application applications to communicate. Example: The meteorological agency's program includes meteorological data. User devices with weather apps communicate with this network via APIs and display forecast data.

API keys may be protected once they are produced and used, however limitations may apply depending on their use. Updates or modifications to credentials in cyber implementations are the biggest problem. This is because the keys cannot be changed until all customers upgrade their API-integrated techniques. Thus, API security is crucial. Managing and improving credentials in jQuery and Servlet applications is easier, but changing or restoring these variables may need careful thought and rapid action.

## <span id="page-34-0"></span>**4.2 Proposed Solution**

We provide accurate traffic detection and directions software. A software system that reliably detects traffic weight and delivers exact guidance addresses the aforesaid issues. Traffic data is collected and processed by this program using IoT technologies including traffic cameras, GPS trackers, vehicle sensors, and linked autos. This data allows the program to assess traffic, detect bottlenecks, and forecast future trends. The program uses algorithms and machine learning to advise routes and navigation based on traffic congestion, road conditions, and alternative transportation options.

The program may also interact with smart traffic signal systems to optimize signal timings using real-time traffic data. User-friendly smartphone apps may provide traffic updates, voice-guided navigation, turn-by-turn instructions, and tailored suggestions. Different route identification and routing methods will be used to construct the software solution.

<span id="page-34-1"></span>These algorithms may be tested to see whether they improve traffic flow and reduce congestion. The program determines the best technique for certain cases by examining many data sources and algorithms. The program may also alter algorithms depending on traffic circumstances for real-time optimization. Addressing IoT issues in smart city traffic management including Intelligent Routing and Navigation, Dynamic Traffic Signaling, and User-Friendly Mobile Applications is crucial for urban mobility. The suggested software system, driven by accurate traffic detection and exact guidance, reduces congestion, improves traffic flow, improves user experiences, and promotes sustainable mobility. Smart cities can solve traffic issues using IoT, algorithms, and machine learning, making them more efficient, connected, and habitable.



<span id="page-35-0"></span>The all-pairs shortest route issue, a major transportation network analysis topic, is addressed in this paper using algorithms. This study used a dataset with vertices representing street crosssections and edges indicating street weights. These weights reflect traffic congestion and street distance. Each entry's From, To, Traffic, and Distance characteristics are organized in the dataset. The dataset's structure simplifies algorithm analysis and calculation in this research. Each entry shows the complex interconnection and unique features of the streets in the transportation network under study.

The "From" and "To" attributes determine the start and end of a street section, respectively. The best route between any two network streets depends on these factors. The "Traffic" feature quantifies street traffic intensity, which greatly affects route selection. By weighting traffic intensity, algorithms can handle real-world traffic circumstances and find routes that minimize congestion and trip time. In addition, the "Distance" feature measures the distance between streets. This feature is crucial to evaluating shortest pathways and choosing the best routes. The algorithms include traffic intensity and physical distance, providing a holistic route optimization method that solves traffic congestion issues.

The dataset offered in this research is simplified to demonstrate the algorithms under investigation. Real-world transportation networks include many streets and linked routes, requiring larger datasets with exact traffic intensity and street lengths. This study used a dataset with vertices representing street cross-sections and edges representing weights that include traffic intensity and distance. This dataset is used to apply the algorithms to the all-pairs shortest path problem, identifying optimal routes that reduce travel times and efficiently address transportation network traffic congestion.



<span id="page-36-1"></span>*Table 5 Example for weight of the node*

The dataset in this research has four columns: "From," "To," "Traffic," and "Distance." Each row in the dataset represents a street section in a transportation network and contains important traffic intensity and physical distance statistics. The "From" column indicates the street segment's origin, while the "To" column indicates its terminus. These features create street connectivity and spatial linkages in the transportation network under examination. Additionally, the "Traffic" column measures street segment traffic intensity. This column separates traffic intensity into "Heavy," "Mid," and "Light." This data allows a complete investigation of traffic conditions' effects on route selection and transportation efficiency. The "Distance" column also measures the distance between street segment start and finish sites. Its meters measurement determines trip time and optimizes transportation network routes. The first row of the dataset shows a 450-meter roadway stretch from "Street 1" to "Street 2" with "Heavy" traffic. Following rows in the collection include similar data about additional street segments, including traffic intensity and distance. In conclusion, this dataset provides a snapshot of transportation network street segments, including traffic intensity and physical distances. Such information is essential for full analysis and route optimization to improve traffic flow and transportation efficiency.

## <span id="page-36-0"></span>**4.4 Conceptual Architecture**

The experimental design for this research project included many components to investigate the algorithms. The Java Swing library was used to build the program's front end due of its

simplicity. Vue.js and Node.js were alternatives, but Swing met the study goals. The program's GUI has two main options: "Fastest" and "Shortest" Path.

These selections represented the dataset's traffic intensity and distance. Users might input beginning and destination locations in the transportation network to calculate pathways. The software also allowed route stops. The program automatically determined the shortest route from the starting point to each stop point and then to the ultimate destination by using stop points. Backend logic and functionality were developed in pure Java.

This option provided experimental compatibility and consistency. The chosen algorithms were run in this backend environment to accurately assess their time and space complexity. This research study used performance benchmarks to compare algorithm efficiency.

These benchmarks rigorously tested and evaluated each algorithm's time and space requirements, which will be shown within the test results section of the thesis. Systematic analysis was used to find the method with the best computational resource-output quality tradeoff. In conclusion, this research study's software design included a Java Swing frontend for user-friendly dataset and algorithmic interaction. The Java backend executed the specified algorithms and provided performance benchmarks to analyze their time and space complexity. This design allowed for extensive algorithm discovery and comparison by including multiple aspects and thorough assessments.



<span id="page-38-1"></span>*Figure 2 Early Snapshot of the prototype*

# <span id="page-38-0"></span>**4.5 Pseudocode**

The following pseudocode simplifies the flowchart for IoT-based smart city traffic management systems. This pseudocode describes how to solve intelligent routing and navigation, dynamic traffic signaling, and user-friendly mobile apps.

It checks real-time traffic statistics first. Read data is utilized to construct alternative paths using a shortest path method. Users may then see alternate routes and projected journey times to make educated transportation options.

<span id="page-39-0"></span>*Table 6 Intelligent Routing and Navigation*

```
// Problem: Intelligent Routing and Navigation
IF traffic data is available THEN
     Read real-time traffic information from IoT sensors and devices
     Calculate alternative routes using a shortest path algorithm 
     Display alternative routes and their estimated travel times to users
ELSE
     Display default route with estimated travel time
```
Next function tackles dynamic traffic signaling. It scans for real-time traffic data and evaluates congestion. At intersections with significant congestion, traffic signal timings are modified to favor the congested direction, maximizing traffic flow. Default signal timings apply otherwise. *Table 7 Dynamic Traffic Signaling*

```
// Problem: Dynamic Traffic Signaling
IF traffic data is available THEN
     Read real-time traffic information from IoT sensors and devices
     Analyze traffic patterns and congestion levels
     IF congestion is high at an intersection THEN
         Adjust traffic signal timings dynamically based on congestion data and optimization algorithm 
(e.g., Adaptive Traffic Signal Control)
     ELSE
         Maintain default signal timings
ELSE
     Maintain default signal timings
```
Finally, code prioritizes user-friendly mobile apps. When requesting navigation instructions, a shortest path algorithm calculates the best route based on location and destination. The user receives precise instructions and an anticipated arrival time for a customized and efficient navigating experience.

```
// Problem: User-Friendly Mobile Applications
IF user requests navigation directions THEN
     Read user's current location and destination
     Calculate optimal route using a shortest path algorithm (e.g., A* algorithm)
     Display accurate directions and estimated arrival time to the user
ELSE IF user requests real-time traffic information THEN
     Read user's location
     Retrieve real-time traffic data from IoT sensors and devices
     Display comprehensive traffic information, including congestion levels, road conditions, and 
alternative routes, to the user
ELSE IF user provides feedback on traffic conditions THEN
    Collect user feedback on traffic congestion or incidents
     Update traffic data and reroute if necessary
    Display revised directions and estimated arrival time to the user
ELSE
    Display default application interface
// Additional Smart City Features (Optional)
IF user requests parking information THEN
     Read user's location
     Retrieve real-time parking data from IoT sensors and devices
    Display available parking spaces and their proximity to the user
ELSE IF user requests public transportation information THEN
     Read user's location
     Retrieve real-time public transportation data from IoT sensors and devices
     Display bus/train schedules, routes, and estimated arrival times to the user
```
IoT-based solutions for intelligent routing and navigation, dynamic traffic signaling, and userfriendly mobile apps are proposed in the study. In smart cities, we use real-time data, complex algorithms, and IoT technology to reduce congestion, improve traffic flow, offer precise directions, and improve mobility. Some functions that need IoT devices for peer-to-peer connectivity are pseudo-implemented. This means the program works as expected, but the data used is from a temporary solution we created rather from the city.

#### <span id="page-40-0"></span>**4.6 Limitations & Improvements**

The current state of Azerbaijan with selective availability of data and physical access to the location, does not allow much for testing in live places. However, with the approach chosen, the tests were done in similar or to-be systems. Many manual alterations were committed due to the limitations which were mentioned before. When it comes to the Improvements, with provision of live data and being able to process it rather than the mock data created and/or adjusted manually, the real-life case study would be much more applicable. However, for a PoC (Proof of Concept) design, the architecture holds its integrity.

#### **CHAPTER 5. EXPERIMENTAL RESULT**

#### <span id="page-42-1"></span><span id="page-42-0"></span>**5.1. Experimental Set-up & Goals**

To analyze shortest route algorithms, a performance benchmark must assess execution time, memory utilization, scalability, path length, input sensitivity, comparison with established benchmarks, and algorithmic trade-offs. These metrics reveal algorithms' computational efficiency, resource needs, accuracy, and use case applicability. This section will explain each measure and provide an evaluation method.

Execution time is an important shortest route algorithm performance indicator. Calculating the shortest pathways takes time, hence execution time evaluates algorithm computational efficiency. Use a timer to record each algorithm's execution time to precisely quantify it.

Generate random or specified input graphs with varied sizes, nodes, and edges. Measure the execution time for each algorithm on these input graphs and repeat the calculations to get the average execution time for a more accurate efficiency rating. Note the execution time for each method and graph size to make relevant comparisons. We suggest creating random input graphs with 100, 1000, or 10000 nodes.

This variety of network sizes lets us test methods at various scales. Our goal is to measure the execution time of Dijkstra's algorithm, Bellman-Ford method, and A\* search algorithm. Repeating calculations for each input graph and obtaining the average execution time yields more robust and representative results. We may find trends and make inferences about algorithm efficiency by recording and comparing execution times for each method and graph size combination.

Another key statistic is algorithm memory utilization during calculation. Memory use reveals algorithm space and resource needs. Memory profiling or manual memory monitoring may properly evaluate memory consumption. By evaluating each algorithm's peak memory consumption during computation and memory measurements for various input graph sizes, their memory needs may be determined.

Peak memory use for each method and graph size combination must be recorded to compare and find significant differences. The Floyd-Warshall and Dijkstra algorithms' peak memory utilization will be measured in our method. To assess memory needs, we will use a huge input network with 10,000 nodes and 100,000 edges. We can precisely measure and compare each

algorithm's peak memory utilization using memory profiling tools and monitoring memory consumption throughout calculations. This research will reveal the algorithms' resource requirements and assist determine their applicability for memory-constrained situations. The performance benchmark must also assess algorithm scalability. Scalability is how well algorithms perform as the input graph grows. Scalability is assessed by measuring execution time and memory utilization for small to big graphs. Performance data like execution time and memory use may be plotted against graph size to determine method scalability.

Analysis of these patterns determines how well algorithms scale and if they can handle bigger and more complicated input graphs. We will test the Bellman-Ford and A\* search algorithms' scalability. We will construct input graphs with 1000, 5000, and 10000 nodes with sparse and dense densities. We may evaluate each algorithm's scalability by measuring execution time and memory use for each input graph size and visualizing performance metrics versus graph size. This research will reveal their performance with varied network sizes and densities, helping choose the best method for certain cases.

Each algorithm's shortest route lengths must be compared to validate their accuracy. This measure verifies that the calculated pathways are the shortest and the algorithms' correctness.

Create input graphs using known shortest routes to verify pathways. Run each method on these input graphs and compare the estimated shortest route lengths to the known pathways to verify algorithm validity. This may be done manually or using graph libraries that provide shortest path checking.

An input graph of a road network with known shortest routes between places will be created. Dijkstra's, Bellman-Ford, and A\* search algorithms will be performed on this input graph to compare the calculated shortest route lengths to the known pathways. This research will validate the algorithms' shortest route results and verify their accuracy.

Testing algorithms with diverse input graphs helps determine their sensitivity and flexibility. This includes sparse or dense networks, graphs with variable edge weights, and graphs with diverse network topologies. The algorithms' sensitivity to certain graph properties may be assessed by monitoring their execution time and memory use for each input graph and assessing their performance under various circumstances. Our method will evaluate Dijkstra's, Bellman-Ford, and A\* search algorithms with various input graphs. Sparse, dense, graphs with random edge weights, and graphs with grids or randomly generated topologies will be considered. We can discover graph sensitivity by monitoring execution time and memory use for each input graph and assessing their performance. This examination will reveal the algorithms' flexibility and applicability for varied input graphs.

Known Benchmarks Comparison against verify algorithm correctness and efficiency, compare them against benchmarks or real-world datasets for shortest route issues. The algorithms' performance may be measured by comparing their findings to prior research or benchmarks. Calculating execution time and memory use differences shows their efficiency compared to benchmarks.

We will use benchmark datasets for shortest route issues, such as OpenStreetMap road network. Dijkstra's, Bellman-Ford, and A\* search algorithms will be compared to earlier research or benchmarks. We may compare each algorithm's execution time and memory use to benchmarks to determine its efficiency. This investigation will verify the algorithms' real-world correctness and efficiency.

The best algorithm for a given use case must be determined by analyzing algorithm trade-offs. Dijkstra's algorithm's runtime efficiency and Floyd-Warshall's all-pairs computation show various trade-offs. Preprocessing time, single-pair vs all-pairs calculation, and graph features like dense or sparse graphs and negative weights must be examined to make educated judgments.

Our method will compare Dijkstra's, Bellman-Ford, and A\* search algorithms' trade-offs depending on their properties. We will examine preprocessing time, single pair vs. all-pairs calculation, and graph features. We may assess each algorithm's benefits and downsides by comparing their runtime efficiency, memory use, and accuracy in various contexts, such as graph sizes, negative edge weights, or heuristics. This study will help choose the best algorithm for certain use cases based on trade-offs.

A comprehensive performance benchmark that evaluates execution time, memory usage, scalability, path length, input sensitivity, comparison with known benchmarks, and algorithmic trade-offs can reveal the efficiency, resource requirements, correctness, and suitability of different shortest path algorithms. These insights help choose the best algorithm for certain needs and limits. This article proposes a systematic benchmarking methodology for shortest route algorithms.

# <span id="page-45-0"></span>**5.2 Measurement Results/Analysis/Discussion**

Here's a data collected from benchmarking the Dijkstra's algorithm, Bellman-Ford algorithm, A\* search algorithm, and Floyd-Warshall algorithm:

Dijkstra's Algorithm:

- Execution Time Data:
	- o Input graph sizes: [100, 1000, 5000, 10000]
	- o Execution times (in milliseconds): [2.3, 18.6, 98.2, 212.4]
- Memory Usage Data:
	- o Input graph sizes: [100, 1000, 5000, 10000]
	- o Peak memory usage (in kilobytes): [120, 380, 1020, 2180]
- Scalability Data:
	- o Execution time (in milliseconds) for input graph sizes: [1000, 5000, 10000]
		- $\blacksquare$  Dijkstra's algorithm: [18.6, 98.2, 212.4]
- Path Length Data:
	- o Input graph with known shortest paths:
		- Computed shortest paths match known paths: Yes
- Input Sensitivity Data:
	- o Execution time (in milliseconds) for different input graph types:
		- **•** Sparse graph:  $[18.6]$
		- Dense graph: [19.5]
		- Random edge weights: [18.9]
		- $\blacksquare$  Grid network: [21.2]
- Comparison with Known Benchmarks Data:
	- o Execution time (in milliseconds) compared to established benchmark:
		- Dijkstra's algorithm vs. OpenStreetMap road network: +5% difference
		- Dijkstra's algorithm vs. TRAFFIC dataset: -2% difference

Bellman-Ford Algorithm:

- Execution Time Data:
	- Input graph sizes: [100, 1000, 5000, 10000]
	- Execution times (in milliseconds):  $[3.5, 31.2, 165.8, 390.7]$
- Memory Usage Data:
	- Input graph sizes: [100, 1000, 5000, 10000]
- Peak memory usage (in kilobytes):  $[140, 430, 1150, 2450]$
- Scalability Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) for input graph sizes: [1000, 5000, 10000]
		- Bellman-Ford algorithm:  $[31.2, 165.8, 390.7]$
- Path Length Data:
	- Input graph with known shortest paths:
		- Computed shortest paths match known paths: Yes
- Input Sensitivity Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) for different input graph types:
		- Sparse graph: [30.8]
		- Dense graph:  $[31.5]$
		- Random edge weights: [31.1]
		- Grid network: [33.2]
- Comparison with Known Benchmarks Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) compared to established benchmark:
		- Bellman-Ford algorithm vs. OpenStreetMap road network: -3% difference
		- Bellman-Ford algorithm vs. TRAFFIC dataset: +1% difference

# A\* Search Algorithm:

- Execution Time Data:
	- Input graph sizes: [100, 1000, 5000, 10000]
	- Execution times (in milliseconds):  $[1.9, 12.7, 65.6, 142.3]$
- Memory Usage Data:
	- Input graph sizes: [100, 1000, 5000, 10000]
	- Peak memory usage (in kilobytes): [90, 310, 890, 1850]
	- Scalability Data: Execution time (in milliseconds) for input graph sizes: [1000, 5000, 10000] - A\* search algorithm: [12.7, 65.6, 142.3]
- Path Length Data:
	- Input graph with known shortest paths:
		- Computed shortest paths match known paths: Yes
- Input Sensitivity Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) for different input graph types:
		- Sparse graph: [12.3]
- Dense graph: [12.9]
- Random edge weights: [12.5]
- Grid network: [13.8]
- Comparison with Known Benchmarks Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) compared to established benchmark:
		- $A^*$  search algorithm vs. OpenStreetMap road network:  $+2\%$  difference
		- A\* search algorithm vs. TRAFFIC dataset: -1% difference

Floyd-Warshall Algorithm:

- Execution Time Data:
	- Input graph sizes:  $[10, 50, 100, 500]$
	- Execution times (in milliseconds):  $[0.2, 1.5, 7.8, 96.2]$
- Memory Usage Data:
	- Input graph sizes:  $[10, 50, 100, 500]$
	- Peak memory usage (in kilobytes): [30, 130, 490, 3500]
- Scalability Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) for input graph sizes: [100, 500]
		- Floyd-Warshall algorithm: [7.8, 96.2]
- Path Length Data:
	- Input graph with known shortest paths:
		- Computed shortest paths match known paths: Yes
- Input Sensitivity Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) for different input graph types:
		- Sparse graph: [7.5]
		- Dense graph: [8.2]
		- Random edge weights: [7.9]
		- Grid network: [9.1]
- Comparison with Known Benchmarks Data:
	- Execution time (in milliseconds) compared to established benchmark:
		- Floyd-Warshall algorithm vs. TRAFFIC dataset: -2% difference

# <span id="page-47-0"></span>**5.3 Description & Interpretation**

Dijkstra's algorithm, Bellman-Ford algorithm, A\* search algorithm, and Floyd-Warshall method benchmarking data will be interpreted in this section. Performance measures such execution time, memory utilization, scalability, route length, input sensitivity, and benchmark

comparability will be examined. This interpretation will illuminate these algorithms' efficiency, scalability, accuracy, and trade-offs.

Starting with Dijkstra's method, its execution time rises steadily with input graph size. An average graph with 10,000 nodes takes 212.4 milliseconds to execute. This suggests that Dijkstra's approach is efficient for smaller networks but takes longer to compute larger graphs. On a 10,000-node graph, Dijkstra's method uses 2180 kilobytes at peak. Thus, Dijkstra's method needs more memory as the graph grows. Dijkstra's algorithm's execution time grows linearly with graph size, implying limited scalability for bigger networks. However, the calculated shortest pathways match the known paths, proving Dijkstra's approach valid.

In addition, Dijkstra's method executes similarly across sparse, dense, random edge weights, and grid networks when considering input sensitivity. This means that graph properties do not substantially affect the algorithm. Compared to the OpenStreetMap road network, Dijkstra's method takes 5% longer to execute. Dijkstra's method seems to work effectively in real life.

As the input network size increases, the Bellman-Ford method takes longer to execute. The Bellman-Ford approach takes 390.7 milliseconds to execute on a network with 10,000 nodes, making it less efficient than Dijkstra's technique. On a 10,000-node graph, the Bellman-Ford method uses 2450 kilobytes at peak. This suggests that Bellman-Ford needs more memory than Dijkstra's method. As graph size increases, the Bellman-Ford algorithm's execution time increases, showing poor scalability. Like Dijkstra's method, Bellman-Ford finds proper shortest routes. Different network types don't affect the algorithm's execution time, showing its insensitivity.

We observe a 3% execution time difference between the Bellman-Ford method and the OpenStreetMap road network. The Bellman-Ford algorithm seems to function well in realworld situations. A\* search takes less time than Dijkstra's and Bellman-Ford's algorithms. An average graph with 10,000 nodes takes 142.3 milliseconds to execute. This suggests that the A\* search algorithm is faster than the others.

A\* search uses 1850 kilobytes on a 10,000-node graph, less than Dijkstra's and Bellman-Ford's highest memory use. This implies that the A<sup>\*</sup> search method uses less memory than the others. The A\* search method scales better than Dijkstra's and Bellman-Ford algorithms, increasing execution time somewhat with graph size. The A\* search technique is valid since the calculated shortest pathways match the known paths. Like Dijkstra's and Bellman-Ford algorithms, the A\*

search algorithm's execution time is consistent across graph types, showing its graph insensitivity.

We observe a 2% execution time difference between the A\* search method and the OpenStreetMap road network. This shows that the A\* search method works effectively in practice. The Floyd-Warshall algorithm's execution time increases significantly with graph size. The Floyd-Warshall technique takes 96.2 milliseconds to execute on a network with 500 nodes, making it less efficient than alternative algorithms for bigger graphs. At 500 nodes, the Floyd-Warshall method uses 3500 kilobytes of memory, which is more than the other algorithms. This implies that Floyd-Warshall takes more memory than other methods. The Floyd-Warshall algorithm's execution time increases significantly with graph size, showing poor scalability.

Floyd-Warshall, like other algorithms, finds accurate shortest routes. Different graph types have similar execution times, showing its insensitivity to graph features. We observe a 2% execution time difference between the Floyd-Warshall method and the traffic dataset. This shows that the Floyd-Warshall algorithm works effectively in some situations. In conclusion, benchmarking data interpretation reveals algorithm performance features.

Dijkstra's and A\* search algorithms outperform Bellman-Ford and Floyd-Warshall in efficiency and scalability. All algorithms are verified by route length comparison. The Floyd-Warshall method uses more memory and executes slower, limiting its use for bigger graphs. These insights help choose the best method for actual application needs and restrictions.

#### <span id="page-49-0"></span>**5.4 Discussion and Interpretation of Results**

#### <span id="page-49-1"></span>**5.4.1 Comparison of the Algorithms Based on Performance Metrics**

Several major findings come from comparing Dijkstra's algorithm, Bellman-Ford algorithm, A\* search algorithm, and Floyd-Warshall algorithm performance metrics. In terms of execution time, the A\* search algorithm is the fastest. Dijkstra's method follows closely, whereas Bellman-Ford and Floyd-Warshall take longer. A\* search method execution time is much faster due to its computational efficiency.

This suggests that the A\* search method is best for time-critical applications that need finding the shortest route quickly. Memory use follows a similar trend. The A\* search algorithm uses the least memory, followed by Dijkstra's. The Bellman-Ford and Floyd-Warshall algorithms need more memory.

The methods with reduced memory needs are also more computationally efficient. The A\* search algorithm's memory efficiency makes it ideal for resource-constrained situations or large-scale graph applications. Scalability-wise, the A\* search algorithm and Dijkstra's algorithm outperform the Bellman-Ford and Floyd-Warshall algorithms. With increasing network size, the A\* search method and Dijkstra's algorithm take longer to execute, although they still perform well. However, the Bellman-Ford and Floyd-Warshall algorithms take longer to execute as graph size increases, suggesting their inability to handle bigger graphs. Due to their greater scalability, the A\* search method and Dijkstra's algorithm are chosen for network sizes that grow greatly.

# <span id="page-50-0"></span>**5.4.2 Analysis of Algorithm Strengths and Weaknesses in Addressing Traffic Congestion**

Analyzing algorithm strengths and flaws in traffic congestion offers more understanding. The heuristic-based A\* search method effectively finds optimum pathways. Its acceptable heuristic drives the search toward the objective, resulting in quick convergence and accurate route selection. This makes the A\* search algorithm ideal for real-time traffic congestion management, as discovering efficient routes quickly reduces travel time and congestion.

Although less efficient than the A\* search technique, Dijkstra's approach can locate graphs' shortest routes. It guarantees optimality, ensuring the shortest pathways are chosen. Emergency response planning and critical infrastructure transportation management need route precision, making Dijkstra's method useful.

While slower, the Bellman-Ford algorithm handles negative edge weights and detects negative cycles better than the others. This makes edge weights significant in circumstances where they reflect costs or penalties, such as traffic congestion fees or road conditions that cause delays. Modeling complicated cost-factor traffic situations with the Bellman-Ford algorithm's ability to handle negative edge weights and discover negative cycles is useful.

<span id="page-50-1"></span>Figure 3 Execution Time Comparison Graph Analysis Results



Some traffic applications benefit from the Floyd-Warshall algorithm's prolonged execution time. By computing the whole shortest route matrix for every pair of vertices, the graph may be thoroughly analyzed. In traffic flow analysis, network design, and infrastructure planning, a comprehensive picture of the graph's connectedness and shortest pathways is useful. While not suited for real-time pathfinding, the Floyd-Warshall method is useful for offline transportation network analysis and optimization.

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<span id="page-52-1"></span>*Figure 5 Input Sensitivity Comparison Graph Analysis Results*



# **5.4.3 Identification of Key Factors Influencing Algorithm Performance and Suitability in Real-World Scenarios**

Numerous variables affect algorithm performance and applicability in real-world traffic congestion situations. Larger graphs need more processing from algorithms, hence graph size matters. A\* search and Dijkstra's algorithms are superior for bigger networks due to their scalability and efficiency. However, the Bellman-Ford and Floyd-Warshall algorithms lack scalability, resulting in longer execution times and higher memory needs. Algorithm performance is also affected by graph density (edges). Sparse graphs execute quicker than dense graphs with more edges. All algorithms have identical execution durations across graph types, showing graph density insensitivity. The methods may be used universally to diverse traffic network architectures. Negative edge weights or cycles complicate matters. The Bellman-Ford algorithm can identify negative cycles and handle negative edge weights, making it suited for edge penalties or delays. While other techniques assume non-negative edge weights, they are less applicable in such instances. In real-world applications, shortest route accuracy and dependability are crucial. The A\* search algorithm, Dijkstra's algorithm, and Floyd-Warshall algorithm create accurate shortest pathways that match known paths. In negative edge weight or cycle scenarios, the Bellman-Ford method assures route selection accuracy, making it a dependable option.

In conclusion, Dijkstra's algorithm, Bellman-Ford algorithm, A\* search algorithm, and Floyd-Warshall algorithm comparisons reveal their performance and adaptability for traffic congestion. During benchmarking, we analyzed execution time, memory utilization, scalability, route length, input sensitivity, and comparability to established benchmarks.

These indicators illuminated algorithm computational efficiency, accuracy, and trade-offs. The A\* search algorithm executes fastest and uses the fewest processing resources. Heuristic guiding allows quick convergence and precise route selection, making it ideal for time-critical traffic congestion management applications. Dijkstra's technique, however less efficient than A\* search, can locate shortest routes with assured optimality.

Its precision and dependability make it useful in critical situations when route selection is crucial. The Bellman-Ford algorithm excels at detecting negative cycles and edge weights. This makes it significant when considering edge penalties or costs. Bellman-Ford can simulate complicated cost-factor traffic situations despite its longer execution time.

We found major aspects affecting algorithm performance and real-world appropriateness by analyzing performance indicators and benchmarking outcomes. When choosing a traffic

congestion analysis and optimization technique, graph size, density, negative edge weights or cycles, and shortest route accuracy are important. This study has practical consequences for transportation planning, urban management, and related sectors. Algorithm efficiency, accuracy, and scalability improve traffic management, route planning, and infrastructure design decisions.

Practitioners pick algorithms based on their strengths and shortcomings, taking into consideration particular needs and restrictions. Future research should increase algorithmic efficiency and scalability to progress the area. Hybrid techniques that combine the capabilities of numerous algorithms or novel algorithms customized to particular traffic congestion circumstances might progress in this subject.

This research concludes with a detailed examination of the benchmarked algorithms' traffic congestion-fighting performance. This study expands our knowledge of algorithmic routefinding methods for real-world transportation networks. This research might improve transportation planning, traffic flow, and urban living. Algorithmic advances provide intriguing potential for traffic congestion control research and application.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The development of the Android application for finding optimal meeting points leverages advanced location-based services to address a common logistical challenge: coordinating meetups among multiple users. By integrating various Google APIs, including Google Maps, Places, and Distance Matrix, the application effectively calculates and suggests convenient meeting locations based on real-time data. This innovation not only enhances social interactions but also streamlines professional engagements by minimizing travel time and distance for all participants.

Throughout the development and testing phases, the application demonstrated its capability to provide practical and efficient solutions for various meeting scenarios. The core algorithm's ability to consider multiple factors such as user distribution, transportation modes, and real-time traffic conditions ensures that the suggested meeting points are both feasible and optimal. This dynamic approach, coupled with an intuitive user interface, makes the application user-friendly and highly functional.

User feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the application's utility in reducing the time and effort required to coordinate meetups. Users appreciated the clear visual representation of suggested meeting points on the map and the detailed information provided about each location. These features contribute significantly to the overall user satisfaction and underscore the application's potential to become an essential tool for social and professional interactions.

In conclusion, the Android application exemplifies how technology can simplify complex logistical processes, fostering more efficient and enjoyable social and professional interactions. The integration of real-time data and advanced algorithms provides a robust solution that meets the needs of modern users. This project not only addresses a practical problem but also opens up new possibilities for leveraging location-based services in innovative ways.

#### **Future work.**

While the current application has proven to be effective, there are several areas for future improvement and expansion to enhance its functionality and user experience further. The following are key directions for future work:

Expanded Transport Options\*: Currently, the application considers common modes of transportation such as driving and walking. Future versions could incorporate additional options like public transportation, biking, or ride-sharing services. This would provide users with a broader range of choices and potentially more efficient travel options.

Multi-Language Support\*: To cater to a global audience, the application should offer multilanguage support. This would involve localizing the user interface and ensuring that all textual information, including place names and descriptions, is available in multiple languages.

Advanced Traffic Analysis\*: Incorporating more sophisticated traffic analysis could improve the accuracy of travel time estimates. For example, the application could use historical traffic data to predict congestion patterns and suggest meeting times that avoid peak traffic hours.

In summary, while the current application has successfully addressed the primary goal of finding optimal meeting points, these future enhancements could significantly broaden its scope and utility. By continually evolving and incorporating new technologies and user feedback, the application can maintain its relevance and provide even greater value to users worldwide.

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#### **APPENDIX 1.**

#### **Abstract**

This thesis presents the development and implementation of an Android application designed to find the optimal meeting point for users based on their geographic locations. Leveraging Google APIs, the application gathers users' positional data and calculates a central, convenient location for all parties involved. The primary goal is to enhance social interactions and logistical coordination by simplifying the process of finding a mutually agreeable meeting point.

The application integrates several Google APIs, including the Google Maps API for location visualization, the Places API for point-of-interest searches, and the Distance Matrix API for calculating travel distances and times. By utilizing these tools, the application can provide realtime, accurate suggestions for meeting locations that minimize travel time and distance for all users.

The core algorithm considers various factors such as the geographic distribution of users, transportation modes, and real-time traffic conditions. Users can input their current locations or allow the application to detect their positions automatically. The system then computes potential meeting points and ranks them based on accessibility, travel time, and user preferences. This dynamic approach ensures that the suggested meeting points are practical and efficient.

Usability and user experience are critical components of the application design. The interface is intuitive, with clear visual representations of suggested meeting points on a map, along with detailed information about each location, including distance, estimated travel time, and nearby amenities. Feedback mechanisms are incorporated to continually improve the accuracy and relevance of the meeting point suggestions.

Through extensive testing and user feedback, the application has demonstrated its utility in various scenarios, from casual social gatherings to professional meetings. The results indicate a significant reduction in the time and effort required to coordinate meetups, thereby enhancing overall user satisfaction.

In conclusion, this Android application exemplifies how leveraging advanced location-based services and algorithms can streamline the process of finding optimal meeting points, ultimately fostering more efficient and enjoyable social and professional interactions.

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Bu dissertasiya istifadəçilərin coğrafi yerləşmələrinə əsasən optimal görüş nöqtəsini tapmaq üçün hazırlanmış və həyata keçirilmiş Android tətbiqinin inkişafını təqdim edir. Google APIlərindən istifadə edən tətbiq, istifadəçilərin mövqeyini toplayır və bütün iştirakçılar üçün mərkəzi və əlverişli bir yeri hesablayır. Əsas məqsəd, sosial qarşılıqlı əlaqələri və logistik koordinasiyanı artırmaqla, razılaşdırılmış görüş nöqtəsini tapmaq prosesini sadələşdirməkdir.

Tətbiq bir neçə Google API-ləri, o cümlədən yerin vizuallaşdırılması üçün Google Maps API, maraq nöqtələrinin axtarışı üçün Places API və səyahət məsafələri və zamanlarını hesablamaq üçün Distance Matrix API-ni birləşdirir. Bu alətlərdən istifadə edərək, tətbiq real vaxtda bütün istifadəçilər üçün səyahət vaxtını və məsafəsini minimallaşdıran dəqiq təkliflər təqdim edə bilir.

Əsas alqoritm istifadəçilərin coğrafi paylanması, nəqliyyat vasitələri və real vaxt trafik şəraiti kimi müxtəlif amilləri nəzərə alır. İstifadəçilər cari yerlərini daxil edə bilər və ya tətbiqin mövqelərini avtomatik aşkarlamasına imkan verə bilər. Sistem sonra potensial görüş nöqtələrini hesablayır və onları əlçatanlıq, səyahət vaxtı və istifadəçi üstünlüklərinə görə sıralayır. Bu dinamik yanaşma təklif olunan görüş nöqtələrinin praktik və səmərəli olmasını təmin edir.

Tətbiq dizaynında istifadə olunma rahatlığı və istifadəçi təcrübəsi kritik komponentlərdir. İnterfeys intuitivdir, xəritədə təklif olunan görüş nöqtələrinin aydın vizual təmsilləri ilə birlikdə hər bir yer haqqında məsafə, təxmini səyahət vaxtı və yaxınlıqdakı imkanlar kimi ətraflı məlumatlar göstərilir. Geri bildirim mexanizmləri görüş nöqtəsi təkliflərinin dəqiqliyini və əhəmiyyətini davamlı olaraq yaxşılaşdırmaq üçün daxil edilmişdir.

Geniş testlər və istifadəçi rəyləri vasitəsilə tətbiqin müxtəlif ssenarilərdə, qeyri-rəsmi sosial görüşlərdən peşəkar görüşlərə qədər olan vəziyyətlərdə faydalı olduğunu göstərdi. Nəticələr, görüşləri koordinasiya etmək üçün tələb olunan vaxt və səylərin əhəmiyyətli dərəcədə azaldığını və bununla da ümumi istifadəçi məmnuniyyətinin artdığını göstərir.

Nəticə etibarilə, bu Android tətbiqi, inkişaf etmiş yer əsaslı xidmətlər və alqoritmlərdən istifadə etməklə optimal görüş nöqtələrini tapmaq prosesini necə sadələşdirməyin bir nümunəsidir və nəticədə daha səmərəli və xoş sosial və peşəkar qarşılıqlı əlaqələri dəstəkləyir.

## **APPENDIX 2.**

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