

ChatBot Project Report

Project Description

Our team is developing an interactive conversational weather and navigation agent that will utilize various methods and APIs to respond to relevant user questions. The user can ask the bot questions regarding the current and future weather predictions and get brief POI information. The role of this bot would be to answer the frequent questions a user would need to know before leaving their house. The structure of our project is to make use of a third party software (wit.ai) to train and develop an existing AI that will help identify specific traits, entities and intents within the user question; then to use those parameters to query data via weather and geographic data APIs and provide output via a GUI.

Team repository: <https://github.com/310LabGroup28/chat-bot>

Chosen SDLC and rationale:

We have chosen to use the Agile development SDLC for our project. We believe that this is the most suitable life cycle for a project with a small team allocation and a short project timeframe. It helps each team member take up significant parts of the project and iterate on them continuously to meet the requirements. Agile development also means that the requirements can be altered throughout the iterations, which helps to improve software as more functional and responsive solutions can be discovered during development. Most importantly, Agile development leads to the team quickly developing a working software that needs to be iterated, this helps each team member easily visualize and identify their roles and future needs.

SDLC Phases

- 1. Planning
 - 1.1 Research and gather data
 - 1.2 Study existing systems
 - 1.3 Creation of WBS and Gantt chart
 - 1.4 Requirements Analysis
 - 1.4.1 Identify and define topics the agent will respond to
 - 1.4.2 Identify and define the accuracy and responsiveness of the agent
 - 1.4.3 Identify and define how the user will utilize and implement the software
- 2. Design
 - 2.1 Design infrastructure of the system
 - 2.1.1 Identify and map out of the communication between frontend, backend and third party API's
 - 2.2 Identify objects and methods that are going to be developed in the system
 - 2.3 Design the UI of the frontend
 - 2.3.1 Develop several paper prototypes, compare and finalize the design

- 2.3.2 Identify the medium to develop the frontend (html, Python, JS)
- 3. Development
 - 3.1 Code frontend
 - 3.2 Training of AI
 - 3.3 Develop python pages for objects
 - getDistance, getTimeDifference, getTimeZone, getPOI, getForecast, getTemperature, getTime, main
- 4. Acceptance Testing.
 - 4.1 Identify test cases
 - 4.2 Device testing, compile code on every users computer
 - 4.3 Execution of test cases

WBS breakdown

Group member initials:

VJ - Varun Jha

BL - Bang Liu

CQ - Calvin Qu

ST - Skylar Tian

CS - Cole Van Stienburg

MY - Manson Yu

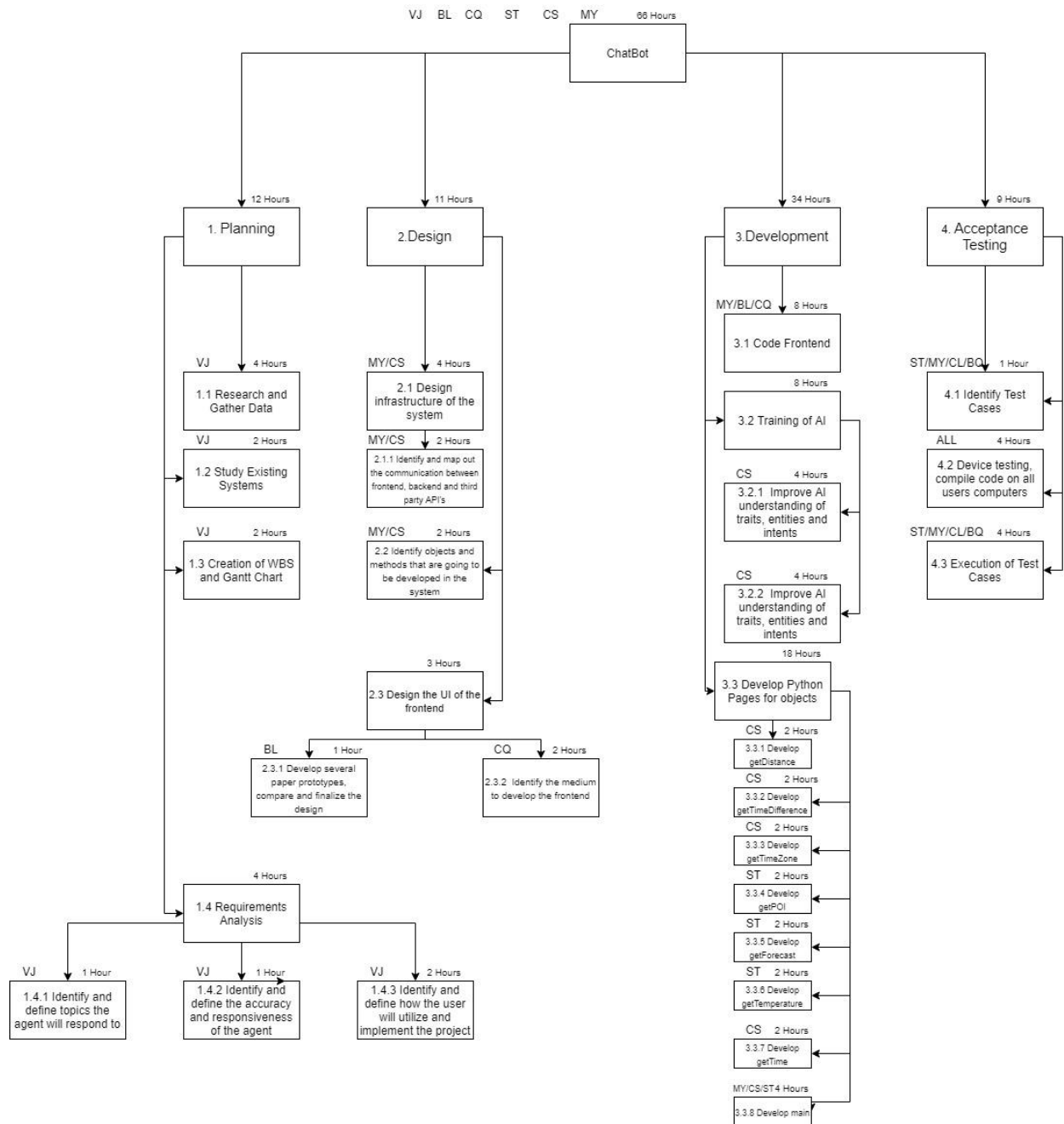
WBS Explanation:

Each task has the initials of the group member that is assigned to it on the top left of the task. The estimated duration of the task is on the top right of each task: To calculate the total hours of any parent task, we can take the sum of all of the direct children tasks. Example:

Total Hours in Task 1 = Task 1.1 + Task 1.2 + Task 1.3 = 4 + 2 + 2 + 4 = 12 hours

Total Hours in Task 1.4 = Task 1.4.1 + Task 1.4.2 + Task 1.4.3 = 1 + 1 + 2 = 4 hours

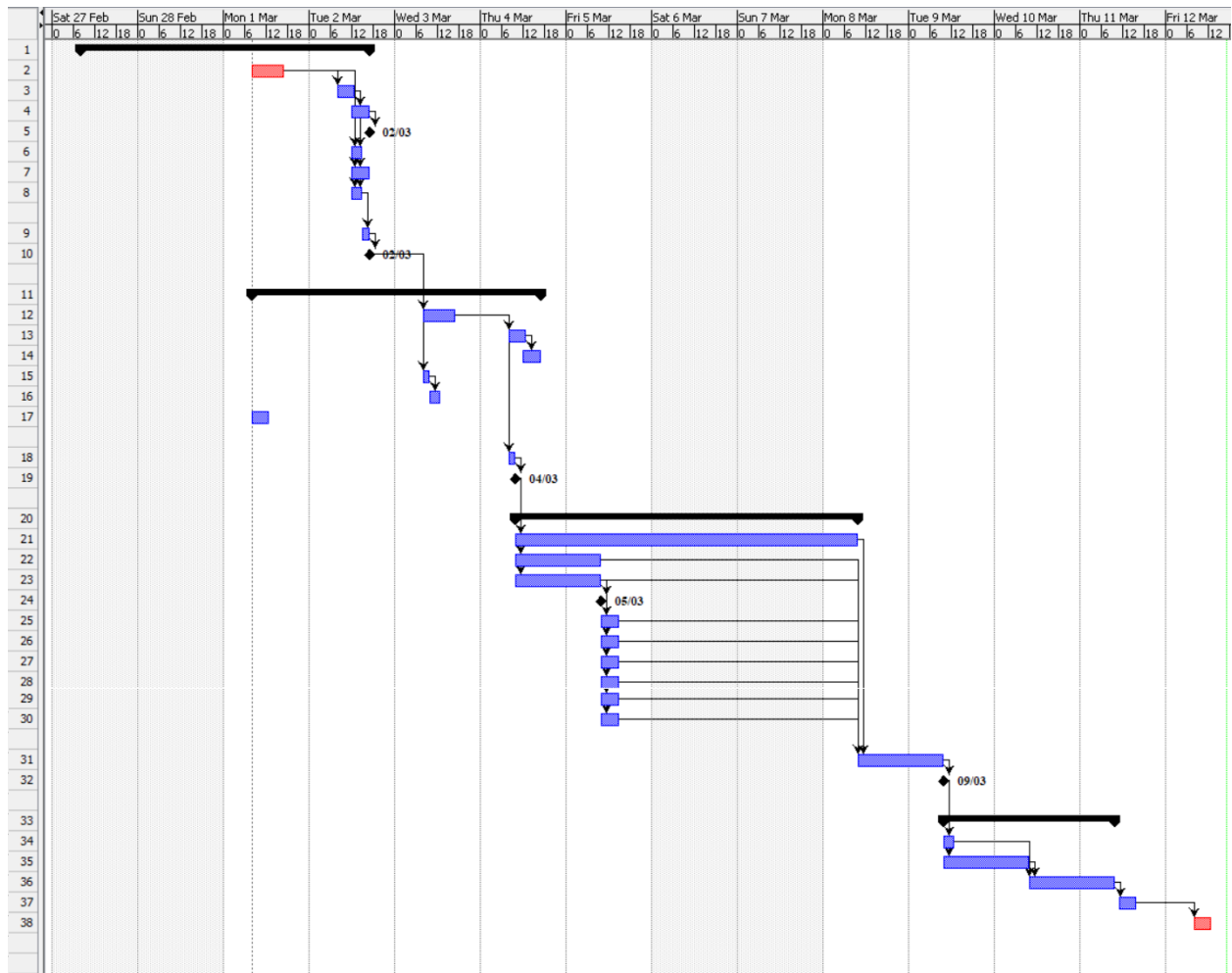
WBS



Tasks, showing start and end dates, and showing dependencies

	Duration	Name	Start	Finish	Predecessors
1	2 days	Plan Project	27/02/21 8:00 AM	02/03/21 5:00 PM	
2	1 day	Research and gather data	27/02/21 8:00 AM	01/03/21 5:00 PM	
3	0.5 days	Study existing systems	02/03/21 8:00 AM	02/03/21 1:00 PM	2
4	0.5 days	Creation of WBS and Gantt chart	02/03/21 1:00 PM	02/03/21 5:00 PM	3
5	0 days	Requirements Analysis	02/03/21 5:00 PM	02/03/21 5:00 PM	4
6	0.25 days	Identify and define topics the agent will respond to	02/03/21 1:00 PM	02/03/21 3:00 PM	2;3
7	0.5 days	Identify and define how the user will utilize and implement the software	02/03/21 1:00 PM	02/03/21 5:00 PM	2;3
8	0.25 days	Identify and define the accuracy and responsiveness of the agent	02/03/21 1:00 PM	02/03/21 3:00 PM	2;3
9	0.25 days	Team Meeting: Finalize and familiarize with project plan and requirements	02/03/21 3:00 PM	02/03/21 5:00 PM	8
10	0 days	Milestone 1 : Completion of Design Phase	02/03/21 5:00 PM	02/03/21 5:00 PM	9
11	4 days	Design	01/03/21 8:00 AM	04/03/21 5:00 PM	
12	1 day	Design infrastructure of the system	03/03/21 8:00 AM	03/03/21 5:00 PM	10
13	0.5 days	Identify and map out of the communication between frontend, backend and third party API's	04/03/21 8:00 AM	04/03/21 1:00 PM	12
14	0.5 days	Identify objects and methods that are going to be developed in the system	04/03/21 1:00 PM	04/03/21 5:00 PM	13
15	0.25 days	Design the UI of the frontend	03/03/21 8:00 AM	03/03/21 10:00 AM	10
16	0.25 days	Develop several paper prototypes, compare and finalize the design	03/03/21 10:00 AM	03/03/21 1:00 PM	15
17	0.5 days	Identify the medium to develop the frontend (html, Python, JS)	01/03/21 8:00 AM	01/03/21 1:00 PM	
18	0.25 days	Team Meeting: Finalize and familiarize with project design and specifications	04/03/21 8:00 AM	04/03/21 10:00 AM	12
19	0 days	Milestone 2: Completion of Design Phase	04/03/21 10:00 AM	04/03/21 10:00 AM	18
20	2 days	Development	04/03/21 10:00 AM	08/03/21 10:00 AM	
21	2 days	Code frontend	04/03/21 10:00 AM	08/03/21 10:00 AM	19
22	1 day	Training of AI of wit.ai	04/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 10:00 AM	19
23	1 day	Improving identification of traits, entities and intents	04/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 10:00 AM	19
24	0 days	Develop python pages for objects	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 10:00 AM	23
25	0.5 days	Develop getTimeDifference	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 3:00 PM	23
26	0.5 days	Develop getTimeZone	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 3:00 PM	23
27	0.5 days	Develop getPOI	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 3:00 PM	23
28	0.5 days	Develop getForecast	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 3:00 PM	23
29	0.5 days	Develop getTemperature	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 3:00 PM	23
30	0.5 days	Develop getTime	05/03/21 10:00 AM	05/03/21 3:00 PM	23
31	1 day	Team Meeting: Commit all final changes to repository, finalize and compile code.	08/03/21 10:00 AM	09/03/21 10:00 AM	21;22;23;25;26;27;2...
32	0 days	Milestone 3: Completion of Development Phase	09/03/21 10:00 AM	09/03/21 10:00 AM	31
33	2 days	Testing	09/03/21 10:00 AM	11/03/21 10:00 AM	
34	0.25 days	Identify test cases	09/03/21 10:00 AM	09/03/21 1:00 PM	32
35	1 day	Device testing, compile code on every users computer	09/03/21 10:00 AM	10/03/21 10:00 AM	32
36	1 day	Execution of test cases	10/03/21 10:00 AM	11/03/21 10:00 AM	34;35
37	0.5 days	Team meeting: Finalize all documents before submission	11/03/21 11:00 AM	11/03/21 4:00 PM	36
38	0.5 days	Milestone: Assignment 2 Hand in	12/03/21 8:00 AM	12/03/21 1:00 PM	37

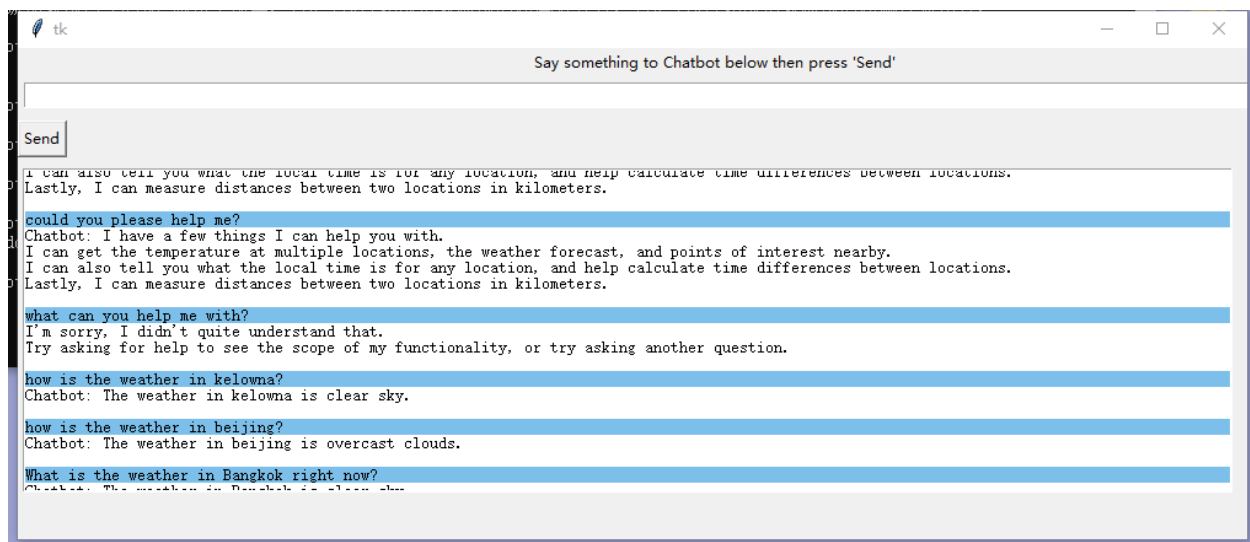
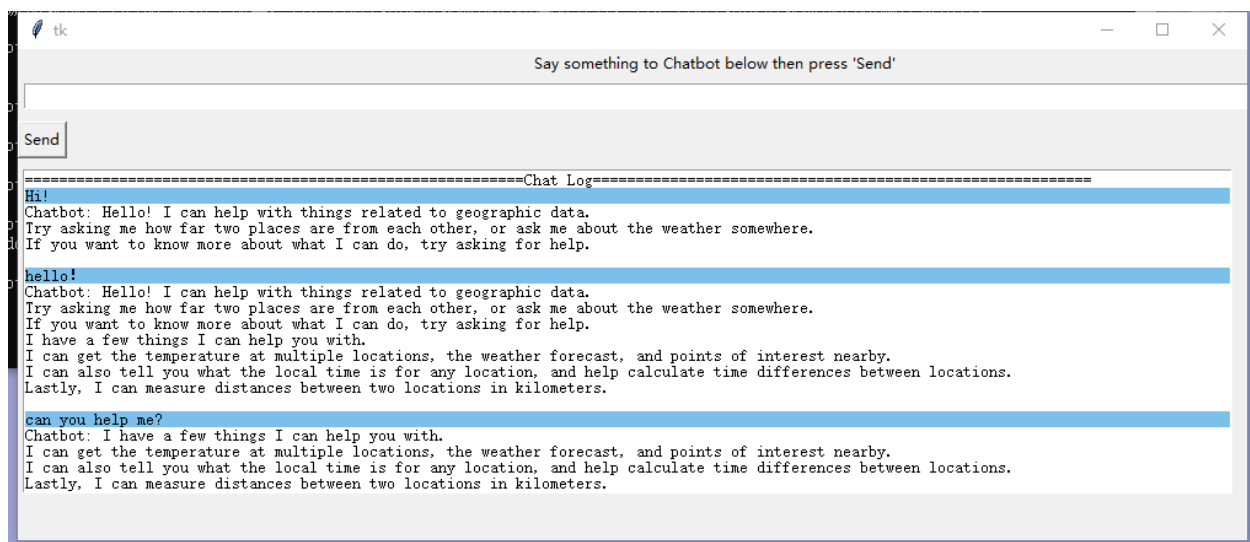
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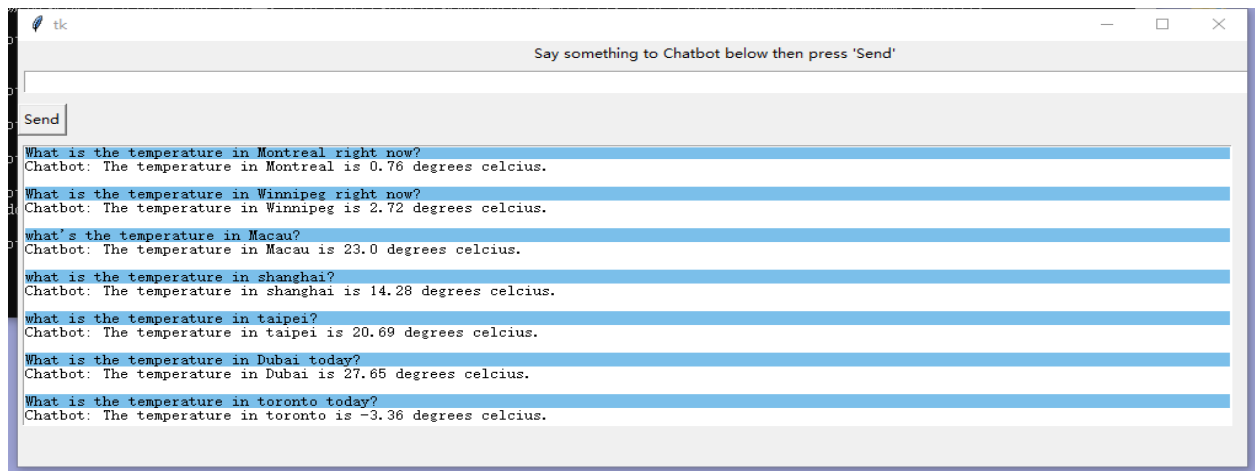
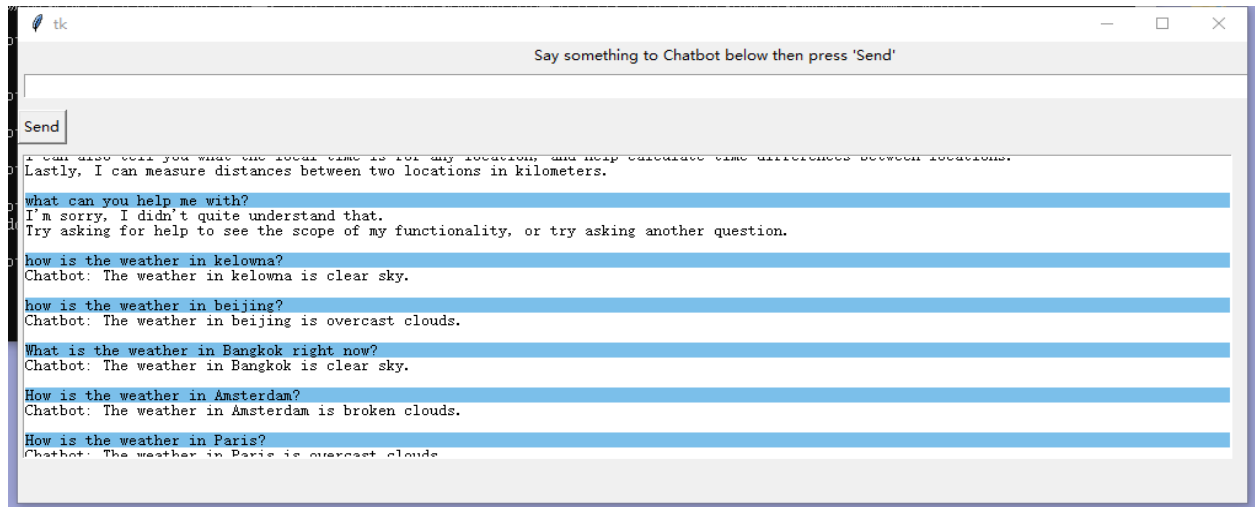


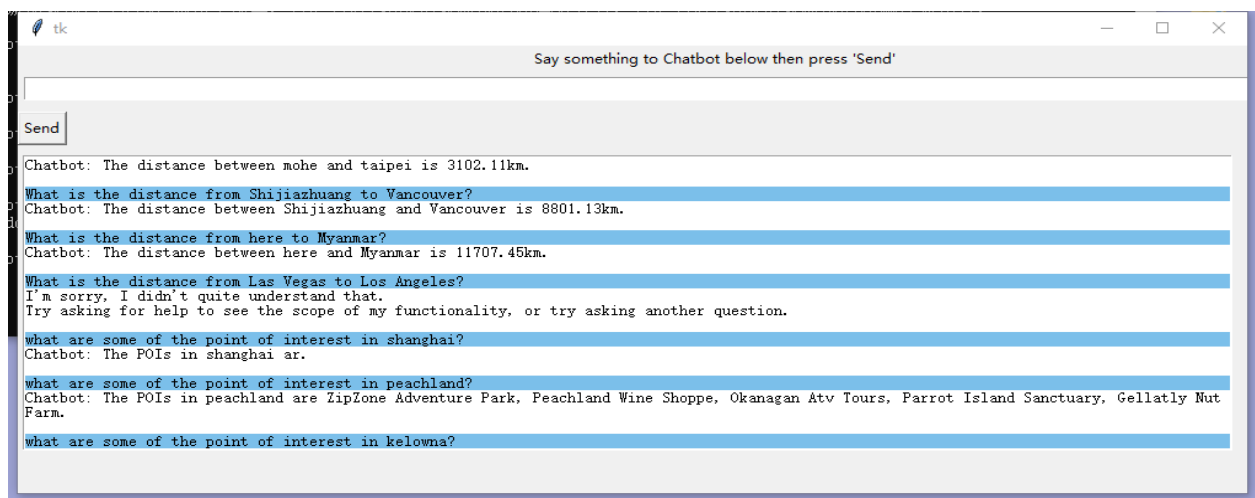
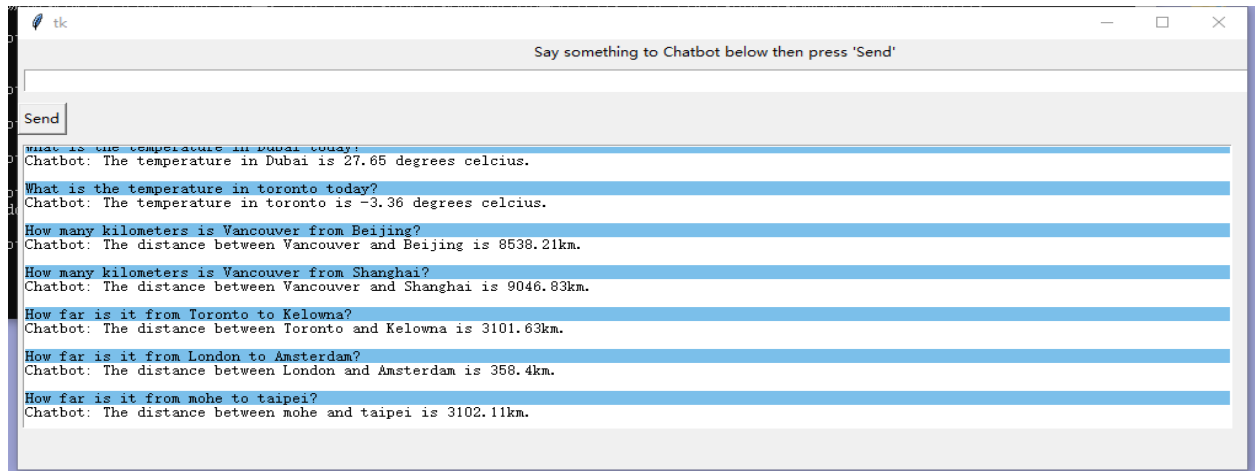
Limitations

- Can only respond with useful information in a given region
- Information given is often too brief, with no option for expanded data
- Only able to provide answers to weather and temperatures for present time, not future
- Can't transfer the client to real person staffs
- Can't provide multiple answers that might be helpful to one question

Sample Output







Errors

