

Traffic Light System

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Issues Resolved

Problem 01

Cars were waiting at a stop for a very long time. A traffic light adds order as well as providing clearance for cars.

Importance

Saves time for the commuters and minimizes reckless driving due to impatience (including collisions).



Problem 02

Cars were not stopping for the pedestrians. The pedestrians needed to cross the road safely.

Importance

The danger is avoided as exclusive rights to the road are given to pedestrian soon after it is sensed that they need to cross.

Solutions





Main Layout

Created an intersection with alternating traffic lights

Sensors



Utilize line sensors to detect if cars are at a red light: If so, swap the light connected to that sensor to green and the other light to yellow then red

Utilize PIR motion sensors to detect if pedestrians are at a green light: If so, swap the light connected to that sensor to yellow then red and the other light to green



Application

Created a mobile application so users can see the current colors of the lights and the amount of time remaining before the lights change

Lessons Learned

Design

We should have had a better plan for how the frontend and backend would have connected.

Design

If redone, the server would probably be before things such as the app.

Management

We should have all started a bit sooner on each part. Also, exchanging hardware more often would have speeded up the process