Development of a navigational algorithm with a rating system for commuters

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Problem Background



Transportation is one of the problems many Filipinos face day to day.



Traffic, however is a major hurdle for most Filipinos.

Daily transportation cost in 2012 was estimated to be Php 2.4 billion, including time cost.

Low-income families spent no less than 20% of their income for transportation.

One problem is that the large amount of private cars on the road can cause congestion.

Private cars were said to take up 78% of road space in 2012.



A way to mitigate this problem is to encourage people to commute.

Commuting, though, is complicated, which can intimidate those new to it. Safety is also another concern for commuters

Idea Concept

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Create a navigational algorithm for commuters that implements a user-based rating system.

Approaches on Algorithmic Solution

For this problem we used a Dijkstra algorithm with slight modifications

Dijkstra is an algorithm used for finding the shortest path for a weighted graph.

We used a modified Dijkstra algorithm to find the shortest paths in terms of distance, fare, and travel time.

It was also used to find the path with the highest average rating.

In all other versions, paths with ratings lower than a certain value were avoided.

Inputs and Data

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Our algorithm uses the following as input:

Main Method

Number of Test Cases (int)

Number of Nodes [Sources/Destinations] (int)

Names of Nodes (String)

Edge [Terminal] data

Find best path for: distance/fare/rating/time (String)

For Edges (Terminals)

Name of the Terminal (String)

Source (String or int) - where you came from

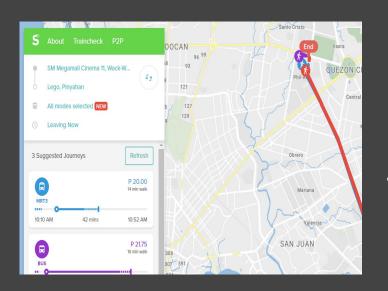
Destination (String or int) - where you want to go

Distance (double) - how far is it in km

Fare (double) - how much does it cost in Php

Average Speed (double) - how fast does it usually go in kph

We used three sets of data to test our code.



The first set is data retrieved from sakay.ph and Google Maps.

73735	45963	78134	63873
02965	58303	90708	20025
98859	23851	27965	62394
33666	62570	64775	78428
81666	26440	20422	05720
15838	47174	76866	14330
89793	34378	08730	56522
78155	22466	81978	57323
16381	66207	11698	99314
75002	80827	53867	37797
99982	27601	62686	44711
84543	87442	50033	14021
77757	54043	46176	42391
80871	32792	87989	72248
30500	28220	12444	71840

For the second set, all the data was completely randomized.

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Distance (kms.)	Regular	Student / Elderly / Disabled	Distance (kms.)	Regular	Student / Elderly / Disabled
1	8.00	6.50	26	41.00	32.75
2	8.00	6.50	27	42.50	34.00
3	8.00	6.50	28	44.00	35.25
4	8.00	6.50	29	45.50	36.50
5	9.50	7.50	30	47.00	37.50
6	11.00	8.75	31	48.50	38.75
7	12.50	10.00	32	50.00	40.00
8	14.00	11.25	33	51.50	41.25
9	15.50	12.50	34	53.00	42.50
10	17.00	13.50	35	54.50	43.50
11	18.50	14.75	36	56.00	44.75
12	20.00	16.00	37	57.50	46.00
13	21.50	17.25	38	59.00	47.25
14	23.00	18.50	39	60.50	48.50

And for the third, we generated it ourselves using data from the first set and fares researched as basis

There is already a navigational app that commuters can use to find their routes

..however, it does not have an option for users to rate the routes that they have taken.

This can be a problem as users won't be able to know whether a certain route is safe to take or not.

Ratings can also be a way to assess a route's perceived quality, which in turn, can help in their improvement.

Code Demonstration

Thank you

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