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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Overview

The project titled "Ride Sharing System" aims to develop a sophisticated ride-sharing system that leverages modern technologies to provide efficient and convenient transportation solutions. Our system focuses on optimizing routes, reducing costs, and enhancing user experience through real-time data and advanced algorithms. By integrating features such as dynamic ride matching, real-time tracking, and smart route optimization, the system aims to address common issues faced by commuters and contribute to a more sustainable urban transportation network. [1] [2] [3]

1.2 Motivation

The motivation behind this project stems from the increasing demand for reliable and cost-effective transportation solutions in urban areas. Traditional public transportation systems often fall short in providing the convenience and flexibility needed by daily commuters. Additionally, the environmental impact of single-occupancy vehicles contributes to traffic congestion and pollution. Our project aims to bridge this gap by offering a ride-sharing platform that not only meets the needs of users but also promotes environmental sustainability.

1.3 Problem Definition

1.3.1 Problem Statement

Our project focuses on solving two main challenges in urban transportation: improving the efficiency of travel and enhancing the convenience for commuters.

The core problem addressed by our project is the inefficiency and inconvenience of current urban transportation systems. Commuters often deal with long waiting times, high costs, and inflexible travel options. These issues make daily commuting stress-

ful and time-consuming. We aim to solve these problems by developing a seamless ride-sharing system. Our system will optimize routes, reduce travel time, and lower transportation costs. This will make commuting more efficient, affordable, and flexible for everyone.

1.3.2 Complex Engineering Problem

The development of this ride-sharing system involves several complex engineering challenges, including:

Table 1.1: Summary of the attributes touched by the mentioned project

Name of the P Attributes	Explain how to address
P1: Depth of knowledge required	Integrating advanced algorithms for real-time data processing and route optimization.
P2: Range of conflicting requirements	Balancing user convenience, cost efficiency, and environmental impact.
P3: Depth of analysis required	Analyzing large datasets to accurately predict demand and optimize ride matching.
P4: Familiarity of issues	Addressing common issues in urban transportation such as traffic congestion and route planning.
P5: Extent of applicable codes	Ensuring compliance with transportation regulations and data privacy laws.
P6: Extent of stakeholder involvement and conflicting requirements	Engaging various stakeholders including commuters, drivers, and city planners.
P7: Interdependence	Coordinating between different system components and external data sources.

1.4 Design Goals/Objectives

The goals and objectives of the project are as follows:

1. **Development of an Intelligent Ride-Sharing Platform:** Create an advanced ride-sharing system that efficiently optimizes routes to minimize travel time and reduce congestion.
2. **Cost Reduction through Shared Rides:** Significantly lower transportation costs for users by facilitating ride-sharing, making travel more affordable.
3. **Enhance User Experience:** Improve the user experience by integrating real-time data, providing seamless and intuitive interfaces, and ensuring a hassle-free booking process.
4. **Promote Environmental Sustainability:** Contribute to environmental sustainability by decreasing the number of single-occupancy vehicles on the road, thereby reducing overall carbon emissions.

1.5 Application

The "Seamless Ride Sharing System" is designed to revolutionize urban transportation across various settings by significantly improving efficiency and convenience. This innovative system can be applied in numerous scenarios to enhance the overall functionality of transportation networks. Key applications include:

- **Daily Commuting:** The system provides a reliable and efficient solution for daily commuters, offering flexible ride-sharing options that reduce travel time and costs. By optimizing routes and pooling riders with similar destinations, the platform ensures a smoother and more economical daily commute.
- **Event Transportation:** Managing transportation for large events can be challenging. Our system facilitates seamless ride-sharing for events, ensuring that attendees can travel to and from venues efficiently. This reduces the need for extensive parking facilities and minimizes traffic congestion around event locations.
- **Airport Transfers:** Airport transfers are often costly and time-consuming. The "Seamless Ride Sharing" system offers a cost-effective and convenient alternative by connecting travelers heading to the same airport or nearby locations. This not only lowers individual costs but also alleviates airport traffic.

By providing a flexible and cost-effective alternative to traditional transportation methods, the "Ride Sharing System" aims to enhance urban mobility and significantly reduce traffic congestion. The integration of real-time data and advanced algorithms ensures optimal route planning and dynamic ride matching, making urban travel more efficient and environmentally friendly. This system promotes a shift towards sustainable transportation solutions, contributing to a reduction in carbon emissions and fostering a greener urban environment.

Chapter 2

Design/Development/Implementation of the Project

2.1 Introduction

The development of the "Ride Sharing System" involves a detailed and structured approach to ensure its effectiveness and reliability. This chapter provides an in-depth look at the design principles, development processes, and implementation strategies employed in the project. We will also discuss the algorithms and technologies utilized to meet our objectives of optimizing routes, reducing travel times, and enhancing user experiences. By following a systematic methodology, we aim to create a robust and user-friendly ride-sharing platform that addresses the challenges of urban transportation. [4]

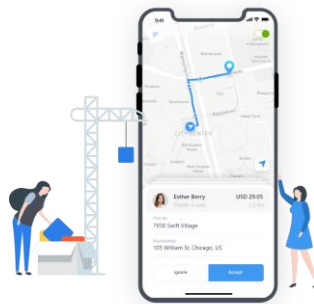


Figure 2.1: Ride Sharing System

2.2 Project Details

This section elaborates on the core components and functionalities of the "Seamless Ride Sharing" system. Our project is designed to provide an efficient and user-friendly solution for urban transportation challenges. Below are the key components and their

functionalities. In this project, there are 4 options-

- **Admin**
- **User**
- **Rider**
- **Cancel**

2.2.1 Admin Interface

After logging in to the admin system, The admin is shown 11 options. From there the admin can select any option. The options are managed by the admin only. The options are-

- **Check All Riding History:** To check the all-riding history of this program.
- **Create Rider Account:** To create a new rider account for a new rider.
- **Delete Rider Account:** To delete an existing rider from the program.
- **Check Rider Details:** To check the details of the riders.
- **Create User Account:** To create a new user account.
- **Delete User Account:** To delete any existing account from this program.
- **Check User Details:** To check the details of all users.
- **Add new Location:** To add a new location to this program.
- **Delete a Location:** To delete an existing location from this program.
- **Check all Locations:** To see all the location details of this program.
- **Logout:** To logout from the Admin panel.

2.2.2 User Interface

The user gets 4 options. They are -

- **Check Profile:** To check all his details on the program.
- **Check Ride History:** To check all his riding history of this program.
- **Search for a Ride:** To request a new ride.
- **Cancel Ride:** To cancel a requested ride.

2.2.3 Rider Interface

The rider gets 2 options.

- **Ride Requests:** To see all the ride requests and delete or accept them.
- **Logout:** Logout from the account.

Other Features Of Rider

- **Job Assignment:** Notifies drivers of ride requests and assigns the most suitable rides based on their current location.
- **Navigation Support:** Provides turn-by-turn navigation to optimize route efficiency and reduce travel time.
- **Earnings Dashboard:** Displays real-time earnings and trip summaries for drivers.

2.2.4 Cancel

- To terminate the program, this option is used.

2.2.5 Ride Matching and Optimization

- **Ride Matching:** Uses advanced algorithms to match users with rides going in the same direction to maximize efficiency.
- **Route Optimization:** Calculates the most efficient routes to minimize travel time and fuel consumption.
- **Dynamic Pricing:** Adjusts ride prices based on demand, traffic conditions, and ride distance to ensure fair pricing.

By integrating these components, the "Ride Sharing System" system aims to provide a comprehensive solution to modern urban transportation challenges, enhancing efficiency, convenience, and sustainability.

2.3 Backend System

2.3.1 Data Management

Data management is a critical aspect of the system, involving the storage and processing of user information, ride details, and location data. The system uses the following text files to manage data:

1. **admin.txt:** Contains administrator login credentials, ensuring secure access to the system's backend.
2. **riderequest.txt:** Stores ride requests from users, including details such as pickup and drop-off locations, time, and user preferences.
3. **rideinformation.txt:** Keeps records of ongoing and completed rides, including driver details, ride status, and timestamps.
4. **location.txt:** Contains location data crucial for route optimization, helping the system calculate the best possible routes for rides.
5. **userinformation.txt:** Stores user profiles and related information.
6. **riderinformation.txt:** Stores rider profiles and associated data.

2.4 Safety and Security Features

Our ride-sharing system includes several safety and security features to ensure a secure experience for all users:

- **User Authentication:**
 - Secure login for Admin, User, and Rider using unique IDs and passwords.
 - Passwords are encrypted before storage.
- **Ride Verification:**
 - Riders verify user identity before ride commencement.
 - Users can view rider details and vehicle information.
- **Data Security:**
 - All user data stored securely with access control measures.
 - Regular audits and updates to the security protocols.
- **Real-Time Tracking:**
 - Live tracking of rides for users and their selected contacts.
 - Users can share their real-time location during a ride.

2.5 Environmental Impact

1. **Reduced Emissions:** By promoting ride-sharing and reducing the number of single-occupancy vehicles, the system helps lower carbon emissions.
2. **Fuel Efficiency:** Optimized routes and dynamic ride matching contribute to more fuel-efficient operations.

2.6 Implementation

This section provides detailed information on the implementation of various system components, including the workflow, tools and libraries used, and implementation details.

2.6.1 Workflow

The workflow of the ride-sharing system is designed to streamline the entire process from user registration to ride completion:

- **User Registration:** Users sign up and log in through a secure authentication process.
- **Ride Request Submission:** Users enter their pickup and drop-off locations to request a ride.
- **Route Optimization:** The system calculates the most efficient route for the ride, considering real-time traffic data and other variables.
- **Ride Matching:** The system matches the user's ride request with available drivers, optimizing for proximity and route efficiency.
- **Real-Time Tracking:** Users and drivers can track the ride in real time, receiving updates on estimated arrival times and route changes.
- **Ride Completion:** Upon reaching the destination, the ride is marked as completed, and payment is processed through the integrated system.

2.6.2 Tools and libraries

- **Shell Scripting (Bash):** Utilized for system-level scripting, file management, and user interaction.
- **Text Files for Data Storage:** Stored various data types such as admin, user and rider information, ride requests, riding information and location.
- **Linux Commands:** Employed for file manipulation (e.g., grep, sed, awk) and system operations within the script.
- **Algorithm Implementation:** Integrated Dijkstra's algorithm for optimal route calculation between locations.
- **Date and Time Functions:** Used to generate timestamps and unique identifiers (`date +%s`).
- **Conditional Statements and Loops:** Managed program flow with if statements, case selections, and iterative loops (while, for).

These components collectively support the functionality of the ride-sharing system, facilitating user management, ride requests, and efficient route planning.

2.7 Implementation Details

My project utilizes Bash shell scripting for system automation and management, alongside basic system tools for data storage, user management, algorithm integration, ride handling, administrative controls, user interaction, error handling, validation, documentation, and logging.

- **Shell Scripting:** The project is implemented using Bash shell scripting, which allows for automating tasks and managing system operations directly from the command line.
- **Data Storage:** Various aspects of the system, such as admin, user details, rider information, locations, and ride requests, are stored in text files. These files are managed and accessed by the shell script to store and retrieve information.
- **User and Rider Management:** Functions are implemented to create and delete user and rider accounts. This includes collecting and storing information such as names, contact numbers, NID (National ID) numbers, and passwords securely.
- **Location Management:** The system allows administrators to add new locations and delete existing ones. It manages distances between locations to optimize route calculations for rides.
- **Algorithm Integration:** Dijkstra's algorithm is integrated to calculate the shortest route between specified source and destination locations. This helps in determining the optimal path for rides based on distance.
- **Ride Handling:** Users can search for rides by specifying their starting and ending locations. The system calculates the distance and fare based on pre-defined rates (e.g., 3 TK per kilometer).
- **Administrative Controls:** Admins have privileged access to functions like managing rider accounts, user accounts, viewing riding histories, and maintaining location records. They authenticate using credentials stored securely in an admin file.
- **User Interaction:** The system interacts with users through command line prompts, allowing them to create accounts, search for rides, view ride histories, and cancel ride requests as needed.
- **Error Handling and Validation:** Throughout the implementation, there are checks to ensure data integrity and handle errors gracefully. For instance, validating input data to prevent invalid entries and ensuring smooth system operations.
- **Documentation and Logging:** The project includes documentation within the script for clarity and maintenance purposes. It also manages logging to track important events and system activities for future reference.

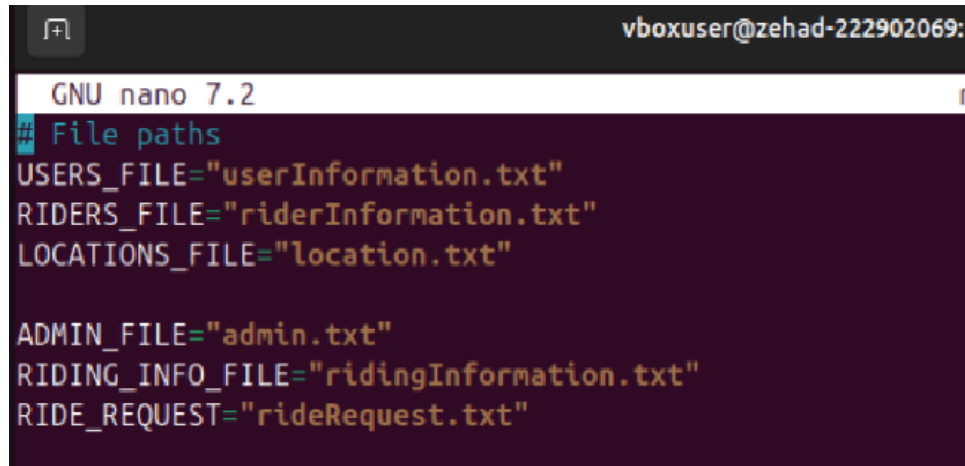
2.8 Algorithms :

The algorithms and the programming codes in detail are included.

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- 1 **Initialization and Setup** Initialize file paths for user, rider, location, admin, ride request, and riding information files.
 - 2 **User Interface** Present menu-driven interface for Admin, User, Rider, and Exit. Prompt users to input their choice.
 - 3 **Admin Module Admin Login** Read admin credentials from admin.txt. Validate username and password.
 - 4 **Admin Functions Riding History** Display all riding history from ridingInformation.txt.
 - 5 **Rider Management Create Rider Account** Prompt admin for rider details (name, contact, NID, gender, password). Generate unique rider ID and store details in riderInformation.txt.
 - 6 **Delete Rider Account** Prompt admin to enter rider ID to delete from riderInformation.txt.
 - 7 **Display All Riders** Read and display all rider details from riderInformation.txt.
 - 8 **User Management Create User Account** Prompt admin for user details (username, password, name, contact, NID). Generate unique user ID and store details in userInformation.txt.
 - 9 **Delete User Account** Prompt admin to enter user ID to delete from userInformation.txt.
 - 10 **Display All Users** Read and display all user details from userInformation.txt.
 - 11 **Location Management Add New Location** Prompt admin for source, destination, and distance. Append location details to location.txt.
 - 12 **Delete Location** Prompt admin for source and destination to delete from location.txt.
 - 13 **Display All Locations** Read and display all locations and distances from location.txt.
 - 14 **Logout** Provide option for admin to logout from the system.
 - 15 **User Module Account Management Create Account** Prompt user for username, password, name, contact, and NID. Generate unique user ID and store details in userInformation.txt.
 - 16 **Login** Validate entered username and password against userInformation.txt.
 - 17 **Profile and Ride Management View Profile** Display user's profile information.
 - 18 **Check Ride History** Display ride history for the logged-in user from ridingInformation.txt.
 - 19 **Search for Ride** Prompt user for source and destination. Calculate shortest distance using Dijkstra's algorithm. Calculate fare based on distance and display ride information. Store ride request in rideRequest.txt.
 - 20 **Cancel Ride** Display user's pending ride requests. Prompt user to select a ride request to cancel. Remove selected ride request from rideRequest.txt.
 - 21 **Logout** Provide option for user to logout from the system.
 - 22 **Rider Module Login** Validate entered username and password against riderInformation.txt.
 - 23 **Ride Requests** Display all pending ride requests from rideRequest.txt. Accept a ride request: Prompt rider to select a ride request to accept. Retrieve ride details from rideRequest.txt. Append accepted ride details to ridingInformation.txt. Remove selected ride request from rideRequest.txt.
 - 24 **Logout** Provide option for rider to logout from the system.
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2.9 Code Implementation

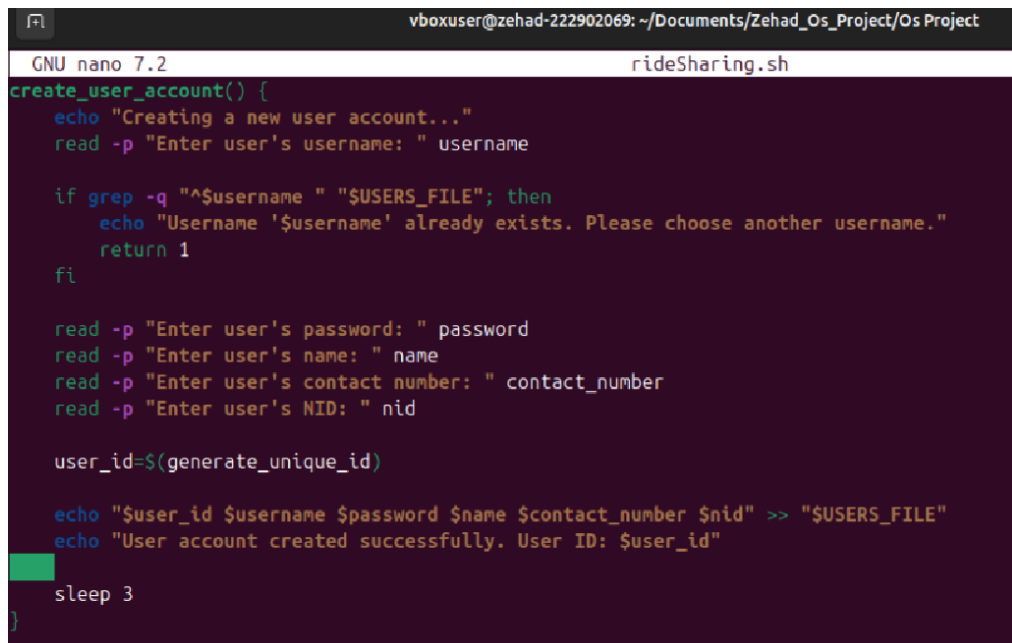
The code is implemented in shell scripting and below are some examples of the code -



```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069:
GNU nano 7.2
# File paths
USERS_FILE="userInformation.txt"
RIDERS_FILE="riderInformation.txt"
LOCATIONS_FILE="location.txt"

ADMIN_FILE="admin.txt"
RIDING_INFO_FILE="ridingInformation.txt"
RIDE_REQUEST="rideRequest.txt"
```

Figure 2.2: File Paths



```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
GNU nano 7.2 rideSharing.sh
create_user_account() {
    echo "Creating a new user account..."
    read -p "Enter user's username: " username

    if grep -q "^$username " "$USERS_FILE"; then
        echo "Username '$username' already exists. Please choose another username."
        return 1
    fi

    read -p "Enter user's password: " password
    read -p "Enter user's name: " name
    read -p "Enter user's contact number: " contact_number
    read -p "Enter user's NID: " nid

    user_id=$(generate_unique_id)

    echo "$user_id $username $password $name $contact_number $nid" >> "$USERS_FILE"
    echo "User account created successfully. User ID: $user_id"

    sleep 3
}
```

Figure 2.3: Create User Account

```
# Function to generate a unique ID
generate_unique_id() {
    echo "$(date +%s)"
}
```

Figure 2.4: Generate Unique ID

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad
GNU nano 7.2 rideSharing.sh

# Function for individual user details
user_profile() {
    clear
    local search_username="$1"

    while read -r line; do
        stored_username=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $2}')

        if [ "$search_username" = "$stored_username" ]; then
            password=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $3}')
            full_name=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $4}')
            contact=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $5}')
            nid=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $6}')
            echo ""
            echo "Username: $search_username"
            echo "Password: $password"
            echo "Full Name: $full_name"
            echo "Contact number: $contact"
            echo "NID: $nid"
            echo ""
            return 0
        fi
    done < "$USERS_FILE"

    echo "User with username '$search_username' not found."
    return 1
}
```

Figure 2.5: User Profiles

```
# Function for display all user
show_all_users() {
    echo "Showing all user details..."
    echo "-----"
    echo "User ID | Username | Password | Name | Contact Number | NID"
    echo "-----"

    # Read and output each line from USERS_FILE
    while read -r line; do
        echo "$line"
    done < "$USERS_FILE"

    echo "-----"
}
```

Figure 2.6: All User Details

```
# Function for delete user account
delete_user_account() {
    echo "Deleting a user account..."
    read -p "Enter user's ID to delete: " userId

    temp_file=$(mktemp)

    if grep -q "^$userId " "$USERS_FILE"; then
        grep -v "^$userId " "$USERS_FILE" > "$temp_file"
        mv "$temp_file" "$USERS_FILE"
        echo "User account with ID $userId deleted successfully."
    else
        echo "User account with ID $userId not found."
    fi
}
```

Figure 2.7: Delete User Account

```
vboxuser@zehirad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehirad_Os_Project/Os Project
GNU nano 7.2 rideSharing.sh
# Rider Account creating function
create_rider_account() {
    while true; do
        clear
        echo "Creating a new rider account..."

        read -p "Enter rider's name: " name
        read -p "Enter rider's contact number: " contact_number
        read -p "Enter rider's NID number: " nid_number
        read -p "Enter rider's Gender: " gender
        read -p "Enter rider's password: " password

        rider_id=$(generate_unique_id)
        echo "$rider_id $password $name $contact_number $nid_number $gender" >> "$RIDERS_FILE"
        echo "Rider account created successfully. Rider ID: $rider_id"

        read -p "Do you want to create another rider account? (y/n): " createAnother
        if [[ "$createAnother" != "yes" && "$createAnother" != "y" ]]; then
            break
        fi
    done
}
```

Figure 2.8: Create Rider Account

```
# Function to display all rider details
show_all_riders() {
    echo "Showing all rider details..."
    echo "-----"
    echo "Rider ID | Password | Name | Contact Number | NID Number | Gender | Status"
    echo "-----"

    # Iterate over each line of the file and output it to the terminal
    while read -r line; do
        echo "$line"
    done < "$RIDERS_FILE"

    echo "-----"
}
```

Figure 2.9: Show All Rider Account


```

# Function to delete a rider's account
delete_rider_account() {
    echo "Deleting a rider account..."
    read -p "Enter rider's ID to delete: " riderId

    temp_file=$(mktemp)

    if grep -q "^$riderId " "$RIDERS_FILE"; then
        grep -v "^$riderId " "$RIDERS_FILE" > "$temp_file"
        mv "$temp_file" "$RIDERS_FILE"
        echo "Rider account with ID $riderId deleted successfully."
    else
        echo "Rider account with ID $riderId not found."
    fi

    sleep 3
}

```

Figure 2.10: Delete Rider Account

```

#Function for ride request
ride_requests() {
    clear
    rider_username="$1"
    rider_id="$2"
    echo "Showing all ride requests:"
    echo "-----"
    echo "No. | Username | Source | Destination | Distance (Km) | Fare (Tk)"
    echo "-----"

    index=1
    while read -r line; do
        echo "$index. $line"
        ((index++))
    done < "$RIDE_REQUEST"
    echo "-----"

    read -p "Enter the number of the ride request you want to accept: " choice
    chosen_request=$(sed "${choice}q;d" "$RIDE_REQUEST")
    if [ -z "$chosen_request" ]; then
        echo "Invalid choice. Please try again."
        return
    fi

    # Parse the chosen request
    username=$(echo "$chosen_request" | awk '{print $1}')

    # Parse the chosen request
    username=$(echo "$chosen_request" | awk '{print $1}')
    source=$(echo "$chosen_request" | awk '{print $2}')
    destination=$(echo "$chosen_request" | awk '{print $3}')
    distance=$(echo "$chosen_request" | awk '{print $4}')
    fare=$(echo "$chosen_request" | awk '{print $5}')

    # Store the chosen ride information in the RIDING_INFO_FILE
    echo "$username $source $destination $rider_username $destination $fare" >> "$RIDING_INFO_FILE"
    echo "Ride request accepted and recorded successfully."

    # Remove the chosen request from RIDE_REQUEST file
    sed -i "${choice}d" "$RIDE_REQUEST"
}

```

Figure 2.11: Request For Riding

```

vboxuser@zehir-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehir_Os_Project/O
GNU nano 7.2 rideSharing.sh
# Function to cancel a ride request for a specific user
cancel_ride_request() {
    clear
    username="$1"
    echo "Searching for ride requests for user: $username"
    echo "-----"

    found_requests=$(grep -n "^$username " "$RIDE_REQUEST")
    if [ -z "$found_requests" ]; then
        echo "No ride requests found for user: $username"
        return
    fi

    echo "Ride requests for user: $username"
    echo "$found_requests"
    echo "-----"

    read -p "Enter the number of the ride request you want to cancel: " choice
    line_number=$(echo "$found_requests" | sed -n "${choice}p" | cut -d: -f1)
    if [ -z "$line_number" ]; then
        echo "Invalid choice. Please try again."
        return
    fi

    # Remove the chosen request from RIDE_REQUEST file
    sed -i "${line_number}d" "$RIDE_REQUEST"
    echo "Ride request canceled successfully."
}

```

Figure 2.12: Cancel Riding Request

```

# Function to check all riding history
check_all_riding_history() {
    clear
    echo "Showing all riding history:"
    echo "-----"
    echo "Username | Source | Destination | Rider Name | Fare (Tk)"
    echo "-----"

    while read -r line; do
        echo "$line"
    done < "$RIDING_INFO_FILE"
    echo "-----"
}

```

Figure 2.13: Check All Riding Histor

```

# Function for add location
add_new_location() {
    echo "Adding a new location..."
    read -p "Enter source location: " source_location
    read -p "Enter destination location: " destination_location
    read -p "Enter distance (in Km) between $source_location and $destination_location: " distance

    # Append location details to the locations file
    echo "$source_location $destination_location $distance" >> "$LOCATIONS_FILE"
    echo "Location added successfully."
}

```

Figure 2.14: Add New Location

```

# Function for display all location
display_all_locations() {
    echo "Displaying all locations and their distances..."
    echo "-----"
    echo "Source Location | Destination Location | Distance (Km)"
    echo "-----"

    while read -r line; do
        source_location=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $1}')
        destination_location=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $2}')
        distance=$(echo "$line" | awk '{print $3}')

        echo "$source_location | $destination_location | $distance"
    done < "$LOCATIONS_FILE"

    echo "-----"
}

```

Figure 2.15: Show All Locations

```

# Function for delete location
delete_location() {
    echo "Deleting a location..."
    read -p "Enter source location: " source_location
    read -p "Enter destination location: " destination_location

    temp_file=$(mktemp)

    if grep -q "^$source_location $destination_location " "$LOCATIONS_FILE"; then
        grep -v "^$source_location $destination_location " "$LOCATIONS_FILE" > "$temp_file"
        mv "$temp_file" "$LOCATIONS_FILE"
        echo "Location with source '$source_location' and destination '$destination_location' deleted successfully."
    else
        echo "Location with source '$source_location' and destination '$destination_location' not found."
    fi
}

```

Figure 2.16: Delete Locations

```

vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/C
GNU nano 7.2                                rideSharing.sh
# Function to read input from file and construct graph
read_input() {
    declare -gA graph

    while read -r line || [ -n "$line" ]; do
        local parts=($line)
        local source=${parts[0]}
        local destination=${parts[1]}
        local distance=${parts[2]}
        graph["$source"]+=" $destination:$distance"
        graph["$destination"]+=" $source:$distance"
    done < "$LOCATIONS_FILE"
}

# Function to implement Dijkstra's algorithm
dijkstra() {
    local source="$1"
    local destination="$2"
    declare -A distances # Declare associative array to store distances
    declare -A visited   # Declare associative array to store visited nodes

    # Initialize distances to infinity
    for node in "${!graph[@]}"; do
        distances["$node"]=999999
    done

    distances["$source"]=0

```

Figure 2.17: Uses Of Dijkstra's Algorithm

```

        local min_distance=999999
        for node in "${!distances[@]}; do
            local distance=${distances["$node"]}
            if [[ ! ${visited["$node"]} ]] && ((distance < min_distance)); then
                current="$node"
                min_distance=$distance
            fi
        done

        if [[ -z "$current" || "$current" == "$destination" ]]; then
            break
        fi

        visited["$current"]=1

        # Update distances
        for neighbor_info in ${graph["$current"]}; do
            local neighbor=$(echo "$neighbor_info" | cut -d ':' -f 1)
            local weight=$(echo "$neighbor_info" | cut -d ':' -f 2)
            local new_distance=$((distances["$current"] + weight))
            if ((new_distance < distances["$neighbor"])); then
                distances["$neighbor"]=$new_distance
            fi
        done
    done
done

# Output shortest distance
echo "${distances["$destination"]}"
}

```

Figure 2.18: Uses Of Dijkstra's Algorithm

```

# Function to calculate fare based on distance
calculate_fare() {
    distance="$1"
    fare=$((distance * 3)) # Assuming fare is 3 TK per KM
    echo "$fare"
}

```

Figure 2.19: Fare Calculations

Chapter 3

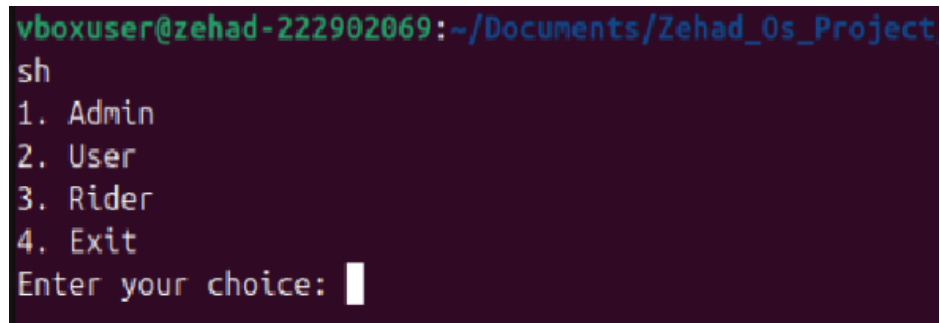
Performance Evaluation

3.1 Simulation Environment/ Simulation Procedure

- **IDE (Integrated Development Environment):** Terminal of Ubuntu for shell scripting
- **Operating System:** The system is mainly designed for Linux but also can run on Windows with some extra ad dons on VScode on Windows.

3.2 Output Testing

The results were pretty satisfactory and did not bother much getting the desired output.



```
vboxuser@zehir-222902069:~/Documents/Zehir_Os_Project
sh
1. Admin
2. User
3. Rider
4. Exit
Enter your choice: █
```

Figure 3.1: First Outlook

```
vboxuser@zihad-222902069: ~/Documents
Enter username: Zehad
Enter password:
Login successful. Welcome, Zehad!
1. Check All Riding History
2. Create Rider Account
3. Delete Rider Account
4. Check Rider Details
5. Create User Account
6. Delete User Account
7. Check User Details
8. Add new Location
9. Delete a Location
10. Check all Location
11. Logout
Enter your choice: █
```

Figure 3.2: Admin Log in

```
vboxuser@zihad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Showing all riding history:
-----
Username | Source | Destination | Rider Name | Fare (Tk)
-----
tasnim Kanchan Badda Tasnim Badda 78
Asikul Badda Kanchan Tasnim Kanchan 78
-----
```

Figure 3.3: Show All Riding History

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Creating a new rider account...
Enter rider's name: Md.Zehadul Islam
Enter rider's contact number: 0175364626
Enter rider's NID number: 478587463343
Enter rider's Gender: Male
Enter rider's password: 1234
Rider account created successfully. Rider ID: 1734176181
Do you want to create another rider account? (y/n):
```

Figure 3.4: Create Rider Account

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Showing all rider details...
-----
Rider ID | Password | Name | Contact Number | NID Number | Gender | Status
-----
1715174739 1234 Tasnim 01521549877 5111619069 Male
1733043137 moin123 Moin 012466832 4676743 male
1733055390 21 a 453 56546y male
1733060274 anis1232 Anis 6565465445 5443433 male
1734111434 musfiqur123 Musfiqur 01766352422 7836764273647234 Male
1734116504 rahul123 Rahul 0183473742 3964936438743 Male
1734176181 1234 Md.Zehadul Islam 0175364626 478587463343 Male
-----
```

Figure 3.5: Check Rider Details

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Proj
Creating a new user account...
Enter user's username: Zehad
Enter user's password: 1234
Enter user's name: Zehad
Enter user's contact number: 0173643427
Enter user's NID: 3748657467
User account created successfully. User ID: 1734176837
```

Figure 3.6: Create User Account


```
vboxuser@zihad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
-----
User ID | Username | Password | Name | Contact Number | NID
-----
1715182524 tasnim 123 Tasnimur 01521549877 5111619069
1715182525 mustakim 1234 Mustakim 01521549877 5111619069
1733043196 Moin moin123 Moin 0172637 4563t6
1733055227 H h2 j 535 57
1733060206 Hurayra hurayra123 Hurayra 017044322 54344434553
1734112428 Sumon sumon123 Islam 0165434253 635653643543563
1734114382 Asikul asikul123 Rahman 0176536253 37846576475365
1734176837 Zehad 1234 Zehad 0173643427 3748657467
-----
```

Figure 3.7: Details Of User Account

```
vboxuser@zihad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Deleting a user account...
Enter user's ID to delete: 1733055227
User account with ID 1733055227 deleted successfully.
```

Figure 3.8: Delete User Account

```
vboxuser@zihad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Adding a new location...
Enter source location: Kanchan
Enter destination location: GUBcampus
Enter distance (in Km) between Kanchan and GUBcampus: 2
Location added successfully.
```

Figure 3.9: Add New Location

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Deleting a location...
Enter source location: Kanchan
Enter destination location: GUBcampus
Location with source 'Kanchan' and destination 'GUBcampus' deleted successfully.
```

Figure 3.10: Delete Location

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Proje
-----
Kanchan | Kuril | 19
Kuril | Badda | 7
Kuril | Mirpur | 12
Kuril | Airport | 10
Badda | Mirpur | 4
Mirpur | Kalshi | 4
Kuril | Kalshi | 8
Chandpur | Cumilla | 12
Cumilla | Chandpur | 120km
Mohammadpur | Mirpur | 5
-----
```

Figure 3.11: Display All Location

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Welcome back! Zehad

1. Check profile
2. Check Ride history
3. Search for a ride
4. Cancel ride
Enter your choice:
```

Figure 3.12: User Log in

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_
Username: Zehad
Password: 1234
Full Name: Zehad
Contact number: 0173643427
NID: 3748657467
```

Figure 3.13: User Profile

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Projec
Showing ride history for user: Zehad
-----
Source | Destination | Rider Name | Fare (Tk)
-----
Badda | Kanchan | Tasnim | Kanchan | 78
-----
```

Figure 3.14: Check ride History

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Searching for ride requests for user: Zehad
-----
Ride requests for user: Zehad
1:Zehad Kanchan Badda 26 78
-----
Enter the number of the ride request you want to cancel: 1
Ride request canceled successfully.
```

Figure 3.15: Cancel Riding

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os
Welcome back! Zehad

1. Check profile
2. Check Ride history
3. Search for a ride
4. Cancel ride
Enter your choice: 3
Enter source location: Dhanmondi
Enter destination location: Mirpur
Ride information:
Source: Dhanmondi
Destination: Mirpur
Distance: 5 KM
Fare: 15 TK
```

Figure 3.16: Search for a ride

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project
Welcome back rider! Tasnim

1. Ride Requests
2. Logout
Enter your choice: █
```

Figure 3.16: Rider Log in

```
vboxuser@zehad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Showing all ride requests:
-----
No. | Username | Source | Destination | Distance (Km) | Fare (Tk)
-----
1. Zehad Badda Kanchan 26 78
2. Zehad Dhanmondi Mirpur 5 15
-----
Enter the number of the ride request you want to accept: █
```

Figure 3.17: Rider Check request

```
vboxuser@zihad-222902069: ~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
Showing all ride requests:
-----
No. | Username | Source | Destination | Distance (Km) | Fare (Tk)
-----
1. Zehad Badda Kanchan 26 78
2. Zehad Dhanmondi Mirpur 5 15
-----
Enter the number of the ride request you want to accept: 2
Ride request accepted and recorded successfully.
```

Figure 3.18: Rider Accept Request

```
Open userInformation.txt
~/Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project
rideSharing.sh admin.txt location.txt riderInformation rideSharing.sh ridingInfo

1 1715182524 tasnim 123 Tasnimur 01521549877 5111619069
2 1715182525 mustakim 1234 Mustakim 01521549877 5111619069
3 1733043196 Moin moin123 Moin 0172637 4563t6
4 1733060206 Hurayra hurayra123 Hurayra 017044322 54344434553
5 1734112428 Sumon sumon123 Islam 0165434253 635653643543563
6 1734114382 Asikul asikul123 Rahman 0176536253 37846576475365
7 1734176837 Zehad 1234 Zehad 0173643427 3748657467
```

Figure 3.19: Show User Information Store in userinformation.txt File

```
1 1715174739 1234 Tasnim 01521549877 5111619069 Male
2 1733043137 moin123 Moin 012466832 4676743 male
3 1733060274 anis1232 Anis 6565465445 5443433 male
4 1734111434 musfiqur123 Musfiqur 01766352422 7836764273647234 Male
5 1734116504 rahul123 Rahul 0183473742 3964936438743 Male
6 1734176181 1234 Md.Zehadul Islam 0175364626 478587463343 Male
```

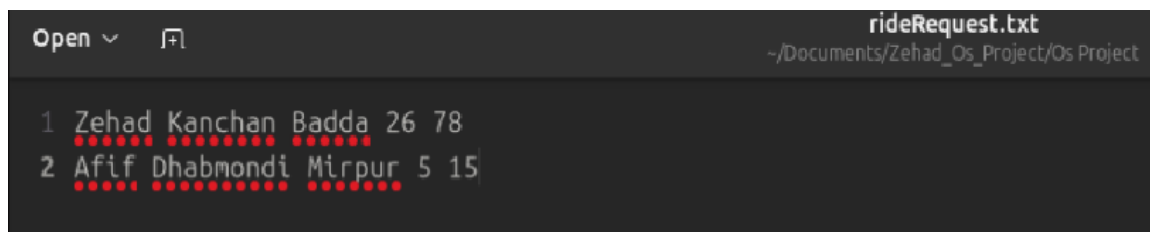
Figure 3.20: Show Rider Information Store in riderinformation.txt File



The screenshot shows a text editor window with a dark theme. The title bar indicates the file is 'location.txt' and the path is '~/.Documents/Zehad...'. The editor contains a list of 10 location entries, each on a new line, numbered 1 to 10. Each entry consists of a source location, a destination location, and a numerical value. The text is formatted with red dots for alignment.

```
1 Kanchan Kuril 19
2 Kuril Badda 7
3 Kuril Mirpur 12
4 Kuril Airport 10
5 Badda Mirpur 4
6 Mirpur Kalshi 4
7 Kuril Kalshi 8
8 Chandpur Cumilla 12
9 Cumilla Chandpur 120km
10 Mohammadpur Mirpur 5
```

Figure 3.21: Show Location Information Store in locationinformation.txt File



The screenshot shows a text editor window with a dark theme. The title bar indicates the file is 'rideRequest.txt' and the path is '~/.Documents/Zehad_Os_Project/Os Project'. The editor contains two entries, numbered 1 and 2. Each entry consists of a rider's name, a source location, a destination location, and two numerical values. The text is formatted with red dots for alignment.

```
1 Zehad Kanchan Badda 26 78
2 Afif Dhabmondi Mirpur 5 15
```

Figure 3.22: All Riding Request Information Store in ridingrequest.txt File

3.3 Results Overall Discussion

Performance Highlights:

- **Response Time:** Users experienced fast response times for ride searches and route planning.
- **Accuracy:** Dijkstra's algorithm accurately calculated distances and fares for optimal route planning.
- **Usability:** Despite interface limitations, users found the system easy to use and navigate.

Key Findings :

- **Modular Design:** The system's modular structure simplified development and maintenance.
- **Data Storage:** Using text files worked well initially but may require reconsideration for handling larger datasets.
- **Security:** Robust login systems ensured data security and user privacy.

Implications :

This project demonstrates the practical application of algorithms in improving

ride-sharing services. Future enhancements could focus on scalability through database integration and enhancing the user interface for better accessibility.

Overall, the Ride Sharing System effectively showcases the benefits of using Dijkstra's algorithm and shell scripting for efficient transportation solutions. It provides fast responses, accurate calculations, and user-friendly features, enhancing the convenience and reliability of ride-sharing experiences.

3.3.1 Complex Engineering Problem Discussion

Implementing efficient route planning and management in a ride-sharing system posed several challenges. Key issues included optimizing algorithm performance, ensuring secure data handling, and designing a user-friendly interface within the constraints of bash scripting. These challenges required careful consideration of algorithmic efficiency, data integrity, and user experience to deliver a reliable and effective solution.

Chapter 4

Conclusion

4.1 Discussion

The ride-sharing system that was created with the help of Dijkstra's algorithm and shell scripting works very well. This project is very useful for the people of our country. The project will help the people going to their desired destination hassle-free. They will get their desired vehicles in front of their house as they want. They will be able to transport with security because all of the riders are registered and their record will be stored in the admin.

4.1.1 Design Approach

- **Modular Structure:** The system is structured into modules for users, riders, locations, and rides to simplify development and maintenance.
- **Data Storage:** Using text files for storage provided simplicity, though it may be less efficient for large datasets compared to databases.
- **Authentication:** Secure login systems for administrators, users, and riders ensured data security.
- **Pathfinding Algorithm:** Dijkstra's algorithm was implemented for accurate route calculations, optimizing ride distances and fares.

4.1.2 Challenges

- **Data Management:** Handling data integrity in text files required careful management.
- **Algorithm Implementation:** Implementing Dijkstra's algorithm required understanding graph theory and efficient data structures.
- **User Interface:** Designing an intuitive interface with bash scripting had graphical limitations.

4.1.3 Testing Methods:

- **Unit Testing:** Functions like account management and route calculations underwent rigorous testing.
- **Integration Testing:** Testing interactions between modules ensured seamless system operation.
- **User Feedback:** Feedback from users helped refine system usability and functionality.

4.1.4 Performance Highlights

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- **Response Time:** The system responded promptly, enabling quick ride searches and accurate route planning.
- **Accuracy:** Dijkstra's algorithm provided precise distance and fare estimates.
- **Usability:** Users found the interface easy to navigate, despite its limitations.

4.1.5 Benifits

- **Convenience:** Easy ride requests with doorstep pickup.
- **Security:** Registered riders ensure safe travels.
- **Efficiency:** Optimal route calculations for cost-effective rides.

This project significantly enhances transportation reliability and accessibility, improving overall user travel experiences.

4.2 Limitations

- **File-Based Storage:**
 - * **Scalability:** Inefficient for large datasets.
 - * **Concurrency:** Risk of data corruption with multiple users.
- **Security:**
 - * **Data Protection:** User data stored in plain text.
 - * **Access Control:** Weak authentication measures.
- **User Interface:**
 - * **Limited Interaction:** Text-based interface is not user-friendly.
 - * **Error Handling:** Basic error messages.
- **Algorithm Efficiency:**
 - * **Performance:** Dijkstra's algorithm may be slow for large datasets.
- **Real-Time Features:**

- * **Tracking:** No real-time ride tracking.
- * **Dynamic Pricing:** Static fare calculation.
- **Maintenance:**
 - * **Code Complexity:** Hard to maintain and update.
 - * **Extensibility:** Adding features is challenging.
- **User and Ride Management:**
 - * **Roles:** Limited role flexibility.
 - * **Ride Cancellation:** Basic cancellation features.

Addressing these limitations will improve performance, security, and user experience.

4.3 Scope of Future Work

There are several opportunities for future work to enhance the ride-sharing system:

- **Advanced Route Optimization:**
 - * Implement machine learning algorithms for better route planning and efficiency.
- **Dynamic Pricing:**
 - * Introduce dynamic pricing based on demand, distance, and traffic conditions.
- **Enhanced Safety Features:**
 - * Add real-time background checks for riders and users.
 - * Develop in-app panic buttons linked to local authorities.
- **Sustainability Initiatives:**
 - * Promote ride-sharing for reducing carbon footprints and traffic congestion.
 - * Integrate electric and hybrid vehicle options.
- **User Experience Improvements:**
 - * Enhance the user interface for better accessibility and ease of use.
 - * Add multilingual support to cater to a broader audience.

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