



Project Statement **Route Planner**

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In this challenge, you will tackle a problem that many companies encounter daily. How is optimal route planning done?

CHALLENGE



Challenge



- In the picture shown, the air routes connecting different cities are shown. Here, the map displays only the distance in km. It does not display information on the flight timings and the cost of the ticket. It is possible to capture this information in a pre-agreed format by providing additional details. For example, source, destination, distance in km, flight time, ticket cost, etc.
- For instance, the information on Delhi-Mumbai flight could be represented as:
 - Delhi, Mumbai, 1148, 2:10, INR6000
- To capture this data in Java, consider a single dimensional array of strings in which each element of the array represents one such route. For example, the strings for the Delhi-Mumbai route and the London-San Francisco route will be:
 - Delhi, Mumbai, 1148, 2:10, INR6000
 - London, San Francisco, 8620, 11:05, GBP345

Task 1

1. Write a program to read the flight route information as input from a CSV file named routes.csv.
2. Store the route information for each route in an array called routes[].
3. Display the details of the flight route information that is read from the file as below.

From	To	Distance	Travel Time	Airfare
Delhi	Mumbai	1148	2:10	INR 6000
Delhi	London	6704	8:55	INR 37000
Delhi	Frankfurt	6117	8:35	INR 32000
Los Angeles	Tokyo	8773	11:15	USD 520
Frankfurt	London	660	1:25	EUR 155

Task 2

Use the following function definition to help users plan trips using the information.

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void showDirectFlights(String[] routeInfo,String fromCity)
```

Write a function to respond to the following user query.

Use the name of a city (source city) and present a list of the other cities to which it has direct flights. If you do not have any information about the city mentioned by the user, give an appropriate message as below:

"We are sorry. At this point of time, we do not have any information on flights originating from Amsterdam."

For example,

From	To	Distance	Travel Time	Airfare
Delhi	Mumbai	1148	2:10	INR 6000
Delhi	London	6704	8:55	INR 37000
Delhi	Frankfurt	6117	8:35	INR 32000

Task 3

If you look closely at the output produced by the function in `showDirectFlights()`, you will notice that the destination cities do not appear in a particular order. Perhaps that was the sequence in which the user entered the data and, hence, it was stored in the `routes[]` array. Write a function `sortDirectFlights(String directFlights[])` so that it lists the destination cities in an alphabetical order.

For the earlier example, the output should be:

From	To	Distance	Travel Time	Airfare
Delhi	Frankfurt	6117	8:35	INR 32000
Delhi	London	6704	8:55	INR 37000
Delhi	Mumbai	1148	2:10	INR 6000

Task 4

Given the name of a source city and a destination city, analyze the available route information and confirm if the two cities are connected by air routes or not.

If the two cities are connected by air, show the corresponding route information. Note that there may be direct routes available as well as the routes that require connections through intermediate cities.

First, list the direct routes. Next, list the routes that have intermediate connections. If there are no flights connecting the two cities, display an appropriate message

For example, if the user wishes to travel from Delhi to London, the result based on the actual data may be:

From	To	Distance	in km	Travel Time	Airfare
Delhi	London	6704	8:55	INR	37000
Delhi	Frankfurt	6117	8:35	INR	32000
Frankfurt	London	660	1:25	EUR	155
Delhi	Mumbai	1148	2:10	INR	6000
Mumbai	London	7187	9:30	INR	28000

Task 4 (contd.)

Another example of travel from London-Sydney could be:

From	To	Distance in km	Travel Time	Airfare
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London	Sydney	6704	8:55	GBP 600
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London	San Francisco	8620	11:05	GBP 345
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San Francisco	Sydney	11935	14:35	USD 450
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Use the following function definition:

```
void showAllConnections(String[] routeInfo, String fromCity, String toCity)
```

Hint : Use recursive functions for the above task to find intermediate routes between the source and destination cities.