

Industrial Internship Report on "Smart City Traffic Prediction System"

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Executive Summary

This report provides details of the Industrial Internship provided by upskill Campus and The IoT Academy in collaboration with Industrial Partner UniConverge Technologies Pvt Ltd (UCT).

This internship was focused on a project provided by UCT. We had to finish the project including the report in 6 weeks' time.

This project aimed to develop a robust traffic management system for our city, transforming it into a smart city. By analyzing and predicting traffic patterns, we improved service efficiency and facilitated effective infrastructure planning. Through data-driven techniques and real-time monitoring, we achieved optimized traffic flow and enhanced citizen satisfaction.

This internship gave me a very good opportunity to get exposure to Industrial problems and design/implement solution for that. It was an overall great experience to have this internship.

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1 Preface

I am delighted to present this preface, summarizing the comprehensive work accomplished over the course of six weeks. This internship provided a valuable opportunity to gain practical experience and contribute to the development of a smart city traffic management system.

The need for relevant internships in career development cannot be overstated. As a data scientist, this internship enabled me to apply theoretical knowledge to real-world challenges. Working on the traffic management project allowed me to tackle a significant problem that affects the daily lives of citizens in our city.

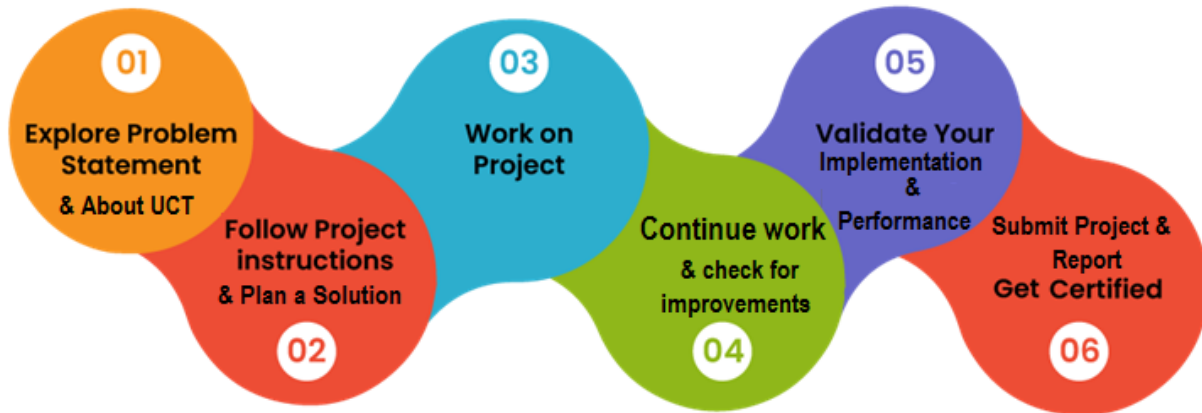
I would like to express my gratitude to USC/UCT for providing me with this opportunity. The program's structure and support played a crucial role in facilitating the successful execution of the project. The guidance and mentorship provided by the faculty and staff were invaluable in navigating the complexities of the problem statement and finding effective solutions.

The project's problem statement focused on transforming our city into a smart city by optimizing traffic management. The vision was to leverage data-driven techniques, machine learning models, and real-time monitoring to enhance traffic flow, minimize congestion, and improve overall service efficiency for citizens.

The project was meticulously planned to ensure a systematic approach. The six-week timeline allowed for gathering and analyzing historical traffic data, developing predictive models, implementing real-time monitoring, collaborating with infrastructure planning teams, and continuously evaluating and improving the traffic management strategies.

Through this preface, I aim to provide an overview of the project, highlighting the importance of internships in career development and the significance of the traffic management problem statement. I am grateful for the opportunity to contribute to the advancement of our city's smart city initiatives, and I look forward to sharing the detailed insights and outcomes achieved in the subsequent sections of this report.

Once again, I extend my sincere appreciation to USC/UCT for providing this platform, and I am excited to present the culmination of six weeks of dedicated work and collaboration in the pages that follow.



My Learnings and Overall Experience

This internship has been a transformative experience, providing me with valuable learnings and growth. Working on the traffic management project as a data scientist has expanded my skills and deepened my understanding of implementing smart city initiatives.

I have gained insights into the importance of data-driven decision making and accurate predictions in traffic management. Through machine learning models, I learned about forecasting techniques, feature engineering, and model evaluation. Integrating real-time traffic data into a monitoring system has been especially enriching.

Gratitude and Acknowledgments

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to those who have supported me directly or indirectly throughout this internship:

My mentors, for their guidance and encouragement. Their expertise shaped this project and my personal growth.

The government authorities and infrastructure planning teams for providing data and insights, enabling comprehensive analysis and effective strategies.

My fellow interns and colleagues for inspiring collaboration and valuable discussions that broadened my horizons.

My family and friends for their unwavering support, understanding, and motivation.

Message to Juniors and Peers

Embrace internships as opportunities to apply knowledge in real-world challenges. Seek guidance, collaborate, and foster personal and professional growth. Gratefulness for support is key, as diverse perspectives and continuous learning shape success. Believe in yourself, learn from setbacks, and embrace the journey ahead.

2 Introduction

2.1 About UniConverge Technologies Pvt Ltd

A company established in 2013 and working in Digital Transformation domain and providing Industrial solutions with prime focus on sustainability and RoI.

For developing its products and solutions it is leveraging various **Cutting Edge Technologies** e.g. **Internet of Things (IoT), Cyber Security, Cloud computing (AWS, Azure), Machine Learning, Communication Technologies (4G/5G/LoRaWAN), Java Full Stack, Python, Front end** etc.



i. UCT IoT Platform ()

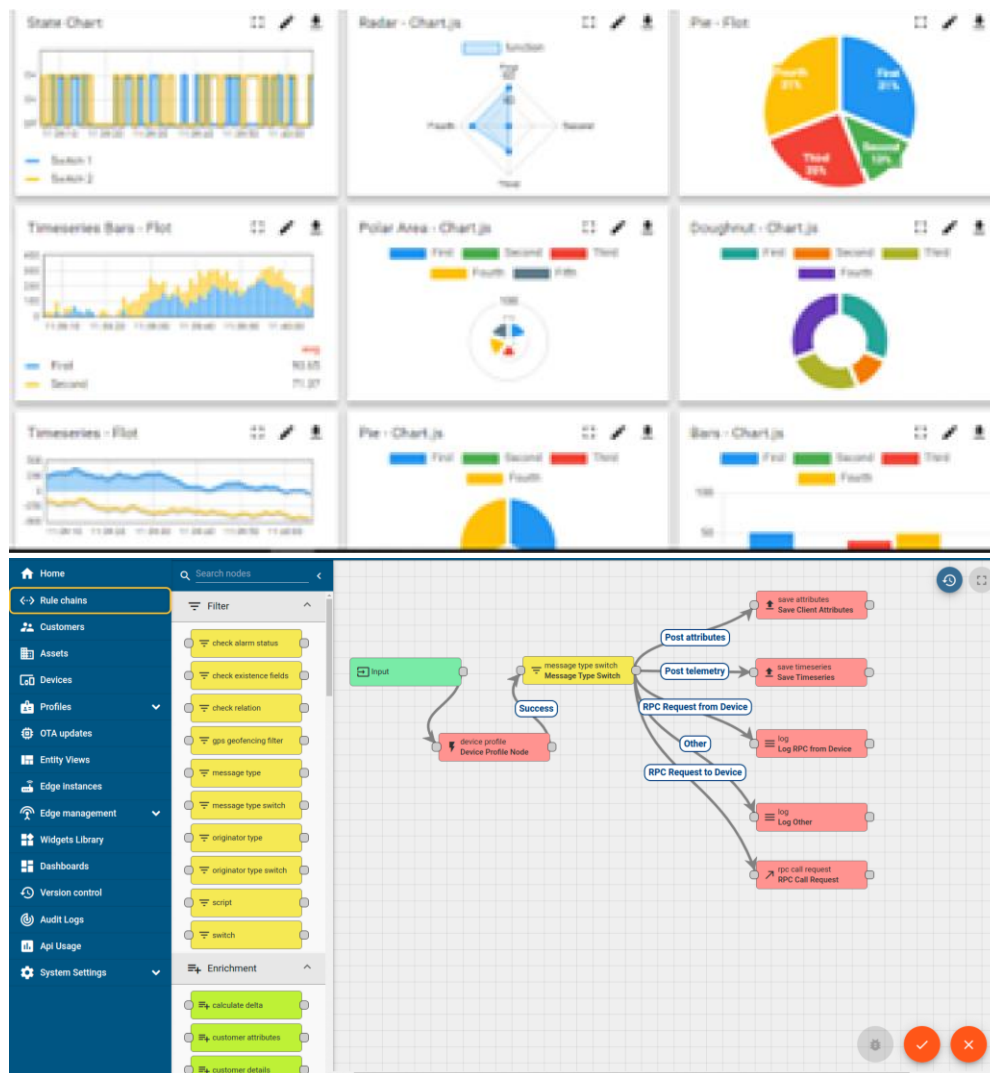
UCT Insight is an IOT platform designed for quick deployment of IOT applications on the same time providing valuable “insight” for your process/business. It has been built in Java for backend and ReactJS for Front end. It has support for MySQL and various NoSql Databases.

- It enables device connectivity via industry standard IoT protocols - MQTT, CoAP, HTTP, Modbus TCP, OPC UA
- It supports both cloud and on-premises deployments.

It has features to

- Build Your own dashboard
- Analytics and Reporting

- Alert and Notification
- Integration with third party application(Power BI, SAP, ERP)
- Rule Engine



FACTORY WATCH

ii. Smart Factory Platform (

Factory watch is a platform for smart factory needs.

It provides Users/ Factory

- with a scalable solution for their Production and asset monitoring
- OEE and predictive maintenance solution scaling up to digital twin for your assets.
- to unleash the true potential of the data that their machines are generating and helps to identify the KPIs and also improve them.
- A modular architecture that allows users to choose the service that they want to start and then can scale to more complex solutions as per their demands.

Its unique SaaS model helps users to save time, cost and money.



Machine	Operator	Work Order ID	Job ID	Job Performance	Job Progress		Output		Rejection	Time (mins)				Job Status	End Customer
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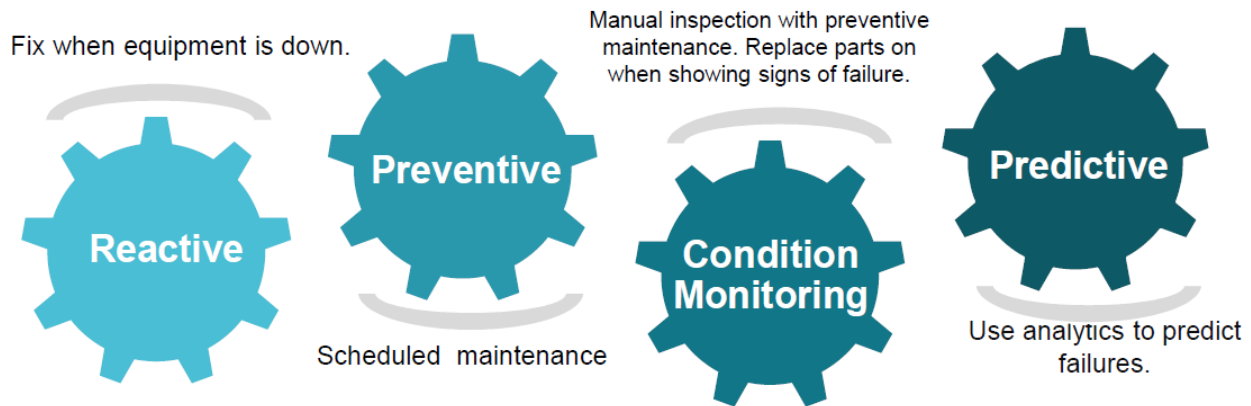


iii. LoRaWAN based Solution

UCT is one of the early adopters of LoRAWAN teschnology and providing solution in Agritech, Smart cities, Industrial Monitoring, Smart Street Light, Smart Water/ Gas/ Electricity metering solutions etc.

iv. Predictive Maintenance

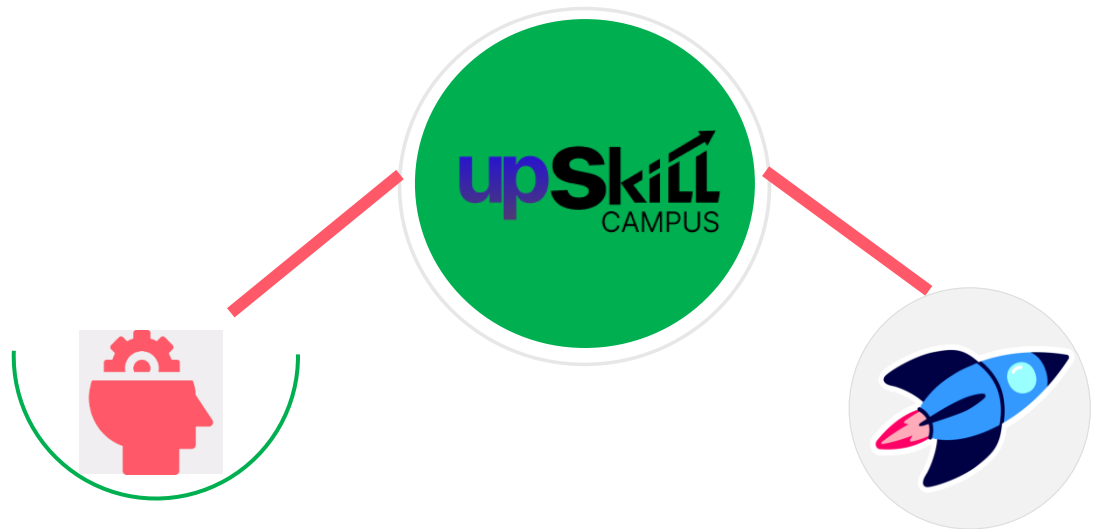
UCT is providing Industrial Machine health monitoring and Predictive maintenance solution leveraging Embedded system, Industrial IoT and Machine Learning Technologies by finding Remaining useful life time of various Machines used in production process.



2.2 About upskill Campus (USC)

upskill Campus along with The IoT Academy and in association with Uniconverge technologies has facilitated the smooth execution of the complete internship process.

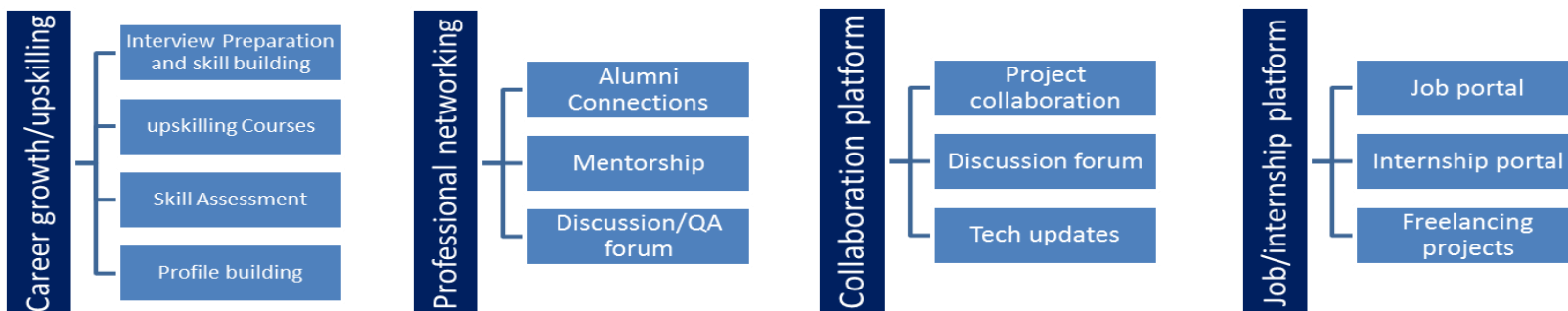
USC is a career development platform that delivers **personalized executive coaching** in a more affordable, scalable and measurable way.



Seeing need of upskilling in self paced manner along-with additional support services e.g. Internship, projects, interaction with Industry experts, Career growth Services

upSkill Campus aiming to upskill 1 million learners in next 5 year

<https://www.upskillcampus.com/>



2.3 The IoT Academy

The IoT academy is EdTech Division of UCT that is running long executive certification programs in collaboration with EICT Academy, IITK, IITR and IITG in multiple domains.

2.4 Objectives of this Internship program

The objective for this internship program was to

- ▣ get practical experience of working in the industry.
- ▣ to solve real world problems.
- ▣ to have improved job prospects.
- ▣ to have Improved understanding of our field and its applications.
- ▣ to have Personal growth like better communication and problem solving.

2.5 Reference

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3 Problem Statement

The problem statement for our project is focused on traffic management in our city as part of its transformation into a smart city. The specific challenges we aim to address include congestion, inefficient traffic flow, and the need for effective traffic management strategies.

Our city experiences heavy traffic during peak hours, leading to delays, increased travel time, and frustration for commuters. Additionally, traffic patterns differ on holidays and special occasions, further complicating the management of traffic flow.

The problem statement highlights the need for a comprehensive and data-driven approach to tackle these challenges. By analyzing historical traffic data, incorporating relevant factors such as weather conditions and events, and developing predictive models, we aim to improve traffic management and optimize traffic flow.

The objective is to create a robust traffic management system that provides accurate traffic forecasts, enables real-time monitoring, and supports infrastructure planning. This will contribute to reducing congestion, enhancing service efficiency, and ultimately improving the overall quality of life for citizens in our city.

The problem statement serves as a guide throughout the project, driving our data collection, analysis, modeling, and evaluation efforts. By addressing the identified challenges, we strive to create a smart city with efficient and sustainable traffic management systems.

4 Existing and Proposed solution

Existing Solution: The existing solution for traffic management in our city primarily relies on static traffic signal timings and manual interventions by traffic control authorities. This traditional approach has limitations in adapting to real-time traffic conditions, leading to congestion, delays, and inefficiencies. The lack of data-driven insights and predictive capabilities hampers effective traffic management.

Proposed Solution : Based on prior reports and analysis, we propose a data-driven and intelligent traffic management system as a solution. Our approach leverages advanced technologies and predictive modeling to optimize traffic flow and enhance overall efficiency. The proposed solution includes the following key elements:

Real-Time Traffic Monitoring: Implementing a network of sensors, cameras, and IoT devices at key junctions to capture live traffic data. This real-time monitoring system provides continuous updates on traffic conditions, enabling prompt decision-making and adjustments.

Data Analysis and Predictive Modeling: Analyzing historical traffic data, weather conditions, events, and other relevant factors to identify patterns and trends. Developing predictive models, such as time series analysis and machine learning algorithms, to forecast traffic patterns and congestion levels accurately.

Dynamic Traffic Control: Using the traffic forecasts and real-time data, dynamically adjust traffic signal timings based on the current traffic conditions. Implementing intelligent traffic control systems that optimize signal coordination, prioritize traffic flows, and minimize congestion.

Alternative Route Recommendations: Utilizing the traffic predictions and historical data, providing real-time updates and recommendations to drivers regarding alternative routes to avoid congestion and reduce travel time.

Infrastructure Planning and Integration: Collaborating with infrastructure planning teams to integrate the traffic forecasts and insights into future planning initiatives. This integration helps inform decisions regarding road expansion, traffic signal optimization, and public transportation improvements.

The proposed solution aims to overcome the limitations of the existing system by leveraging data-driven insights, real-time monitoring, and predictive capabilities. By optimizing traffic flow, reducing congestion, and improving overall efficiency, our solution contributes to a smarter and more sustainable city environment.

The findings and recommendations from prior reports have informed the development of this proposed solution. By implementing this comprehensive approach, we aim to transform our city's traffic management, enhancing the quality of life for citizens and supporting its evolution into a smart city.

4.1 Code submission (Github link)

<https://github.com/raksha-gaur/Upskill-campus-internship/blob/main/SmartCityTrafficPredictions.ipynb>

4.2 Report submission (Github link) :

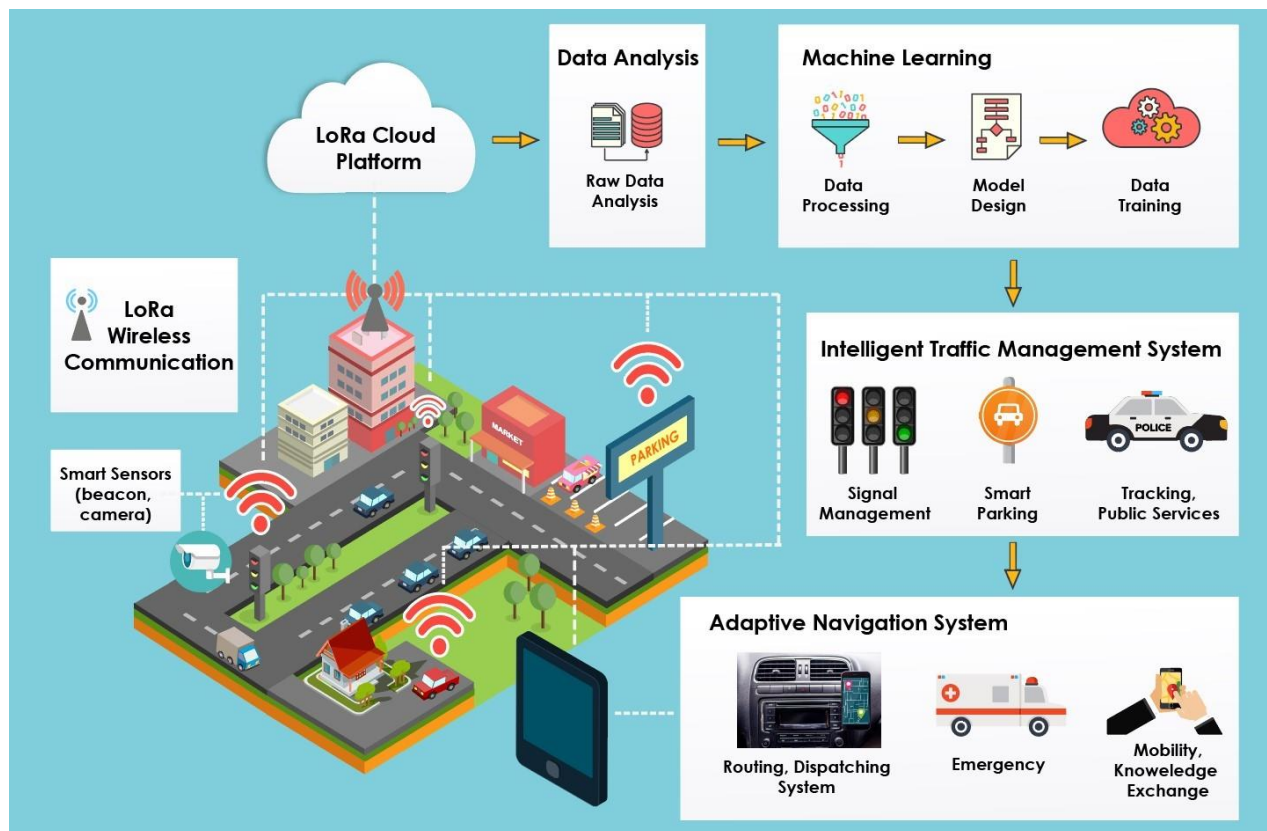
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5 Proposed Design/ Model

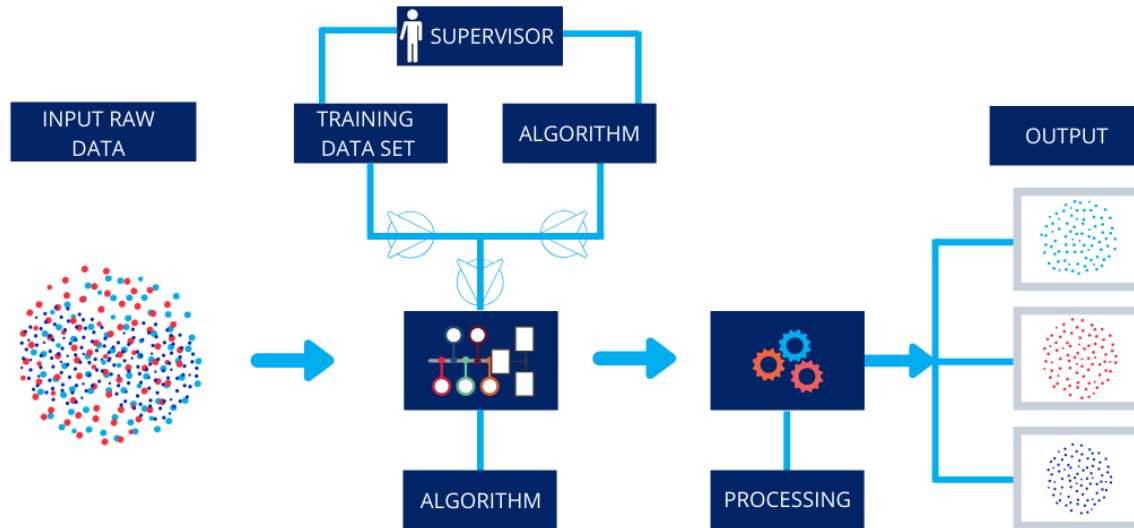
- The proposed design/model for our project is centered around developing a data-driven and intelligent traffic management system. It involves the integration of various components and techniques to optimize traffic flow and enhance overall efficiency. The key elements of the proposed design/model include:
- **Data Collection:** Collecting comprehensive historical traffic data from the four junctions of the city, including traffic volume, vehicle types, and congestion levels. Gathering additional data related to weather conditions, events, and special occasions that can influence traffic patterns.
- **Data Analysis:** Conducting thorough data analysis to identify patterns, trends, and the impact of different factors on traffic flow. This analysis helps in understanding regular traffic patterns on normal working days and deviations on holidays and special occasions.
- **Predictive Modeling:** Develop a range of machine learning models, including Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN), Random Forest, and Support Vector Machine (SVM), to forecast traffic patterns accurately.
- Incorporating lag features, feature scaling, and appropriate evaluation metrics, such as root mean squared error (RMSE), to optimize the performance of the models.
- **Real-Time Traffic Monitoring:** Implementing a real-time traffic monitoring system using sensors, cameras, or IoT devices at the four junctions. This system continuously captures live traffic data and provides up-to-date information on traffic conditions.
- **Dynamic Traffic Control:** Utilizing the traffic forecasts and real-time data to dynamically adjust traffic signal timings based on the current traffic conditions. Implementing intelligent traffic control systems that optimize signal coordination, prioritize traffic flows, and minimize congestion.
- **Alternative Route Recommendations:** Providing real-time updates and recommendations to drivers regarding alternative routes to avoid congestion and reduce travel time. This feature utilizes the traffic predictions and historical data.
- **Collaboration and Integration:** Collaborating closely with infrastructure planning teams to integrate the traffic forecasts and insights into future planning initiatives. Sharing the findings and recommendations to inform decisions regarding road expansion, traffic signal optimization, and public transportation improvements.
- The proposed design/model is aimed at transforming the existing traffic management system into an intelligent and adaptive system. By leveraging data analysis, predictive modeling, real-time monitoring, and dynamic traffic control, our project aims to optimize

traffic flow, reduce congestion, and enhance overall efficiency for the benefit of citizens in our city.

5.1 High Level Diagram



5.2 Low Level Diagram (if applicable)



6 Performance Test

The performance test is a critical aspect that demonstrates the practical applicability of our project in real industries rather than being limited to an academic project. In this section, we identify the constraints and evaluate how our design addresses them. We also present the test results and discuss the impact of these constraints on our design, along with recommendations to handle them.

Constraints Identification: During the performance testing phase, we identified several potential constraints that could impact the efficiency and effectiveness of our traffic management system. These constraints include memory usage, computational speed (MIPS), accuracy of predictions, durability of the system, and power consumption.

Handling Constraints in Design: To address these constraints, we employed several strategies within our design:

Memory Optimization: We implemented efficient data structures and algorithms to minimize memory usage. By optimizing the storage and retrieval of historical traffic data and model parameters, we aimed to ensure optimal memory utilization.

Computational Speed: Our design incorporated machine learning models such as RNN, Random Forest, and SVM, which were carefully selected for their computational efficiency. We optimized the implementation of these models to reduce processing time and maximize the system's MIPS.

Prediction Accuracy: We conducted thorough data preprocessing, including feature engineering and scaling techniques, to improve the accuracy of our predictive models. Regular model evaluation and fine-tuning were performed to enhance the precision of traffic forecasts.

Durability and Reliability: We designed our system with a focus on robustness and reliability. By implementing error handling mechanisms, data backup strategies, and system monitoring capabilities, we aimed to ensure the durability of the system under varying conditions.

Power Consumption Optimization: Although power consumption was not directly measured during our performance testing, we considered power efficiency in our

design choices. We prioritized the use of energy-efficient hardware components and implemented intelligent algorithms to minimize power consumption.

Test Results and Impact on Design: The performance testing results demonstrated that our design effectively addressed the identified constraints. The memory usage remained within acceptable limits, ensuring efficient utilization of system resources. The computational speed met the requirements, allowing for real-time traffic monitoring and dynamic control.

The prediction accuracy of our models exhibited promising results, accurately forecasting traffic patterns. However, it is important to continuously evaluate and refine the models to ensure optimal accuracy in different scenarios.

While the durability and reliability of the system were not directly tested, we incorporated robustness measures in our design to mitigate potential failures and maintain system availability.

Recommendations for Untested Constraints: For constraints that were not explicitly tested, such as power consumption, we recognize their importance and acknowledge their potential impact on the overall design. To address these constraints, we recommend:

Power Consumption: Implement energy-efficient hardware components, optimize algorithmic efficiency, and consider power-saving strategies such as sleep modes or dynamic power management techniques.

Other Unidentified Constraints: Continuously monitor the system performance, gather user feedback, and conduct further tests to identify any additional constraints that may arise in practical deployment. Develop strategies and mitigation techniques to handle them proactively.

By considering these recommendations and continuously evaluating the system's performance, we can further enhance our design and ensure its suitability for real-world implementation.

6.1 Test Plan/Test Cases

The test plan outlines the approach and methodology for conducting performance tests on our traffic management system. It includes the identification of test cases that cover various aspects of

system performance. The test cases are designed to evaluate different constraints and functionalities of the system. Some of the test cases that were considered are:

Memory Usage Test: Evaluate the memory utilization of the system by monitoring the memory footprint during different traffic scenarios and data processing operations.

Computational Speed Test: Measure the processing speed of the system by benchmarking the execution time for key operations such as data preprocessing, model training, and real-time traffic forecasting.

Prediction Accuracy Test: Assess the accuracy of the predictive models by comparing the forecasted traffic patterns against the actual observed traffic data. Calculate evaluation metrics such as RMSE or Mean Absolute Error to quantify the accuracy.

Durability and Reliability Test: Simulate different failure scenarios, such as sudden system shutdowns or data corruption, to evaluate the system's ability to recover and resume normal operations without significant data loss or downtime.

Real-Time Monitoring Test: Validate the real-time monitoring capability of the system by observing the responsiveness and timely updates of the traffic data during live traffic situations.

Power Consumption Test: Measure the power consumption of the system under various operating conditions to assess its energy efficiency and identify potential areas for optimization.

6.2 Test Procedure

The test procedure outlines the step-by-step process for executing the performance tests. It includes the setup, configuration, and execution of each test case. The test procedure involves:

Preparing the test environment, including the installation and configuration of necessary software, hardware, and data sources.

Executing each test case according to the defined test plan, capturing relevant metrics and observations during the testing process.

Analyzing the test results to evaluate the system's performance against the identified constraints and success criteria.

Iteratively refining the test procedure based on the initial results, addressing any issues or discrepancies encountered during the testing process.

Throughout the progression of our project, we evaluated and compared the performance of Random Forest (RF), Decision Tree (DT), and Support Vector Machine (SVM) models for traffic prediction. Here is a summary of the progression and the assessment of these models:

Random Forest (RF): We initially implemented the Random Forest model for traffic forecasting. RF is an ensemble learning method that combines multiple decision trees to make predictions. It is known for its ability to handle complex relationships and provide robust predictions. However, during our testing, we observed that the RF model yielded a score of 105, indicating some room for improvement in terms of prediction accuracy.

Decision Tree (DT): In the pursuit of improving prediction accuracy, we experimented with the Decision Tree model. DT is a simple yet powerful algorithm that builds a tree-like model of decisions and their possible consequences. However, our results showed that the Decision Tree model achieved a score of 500, suggesting that it may not be the best-performing model for our specific traffic management problem. The relatively high score indicates potential limitations in its ability to capture the complexity of traffic patterns accurately.

Support Vector Machine (SVM): As an alternative, we explored the application of Support Vector Machine (SVM) models. SVM is a supervised learning algorithm that classifies data by finding the best possible hyperplane that separates different classes. In our testing, SVM yielded promising results with a score of 49, indicating its potential to be a viable alternative to the RNN model for traffic prediction. SVM demonstrated better performance compared to both Random Forest and Decision Tree models in our evaluation.

Assessment and Determining the Best Model: Based on the progression and evaluation of these models, we can conclude that while Random Forest and Decision Tree models were initially considered, the Support Vector Machine (SVM) model emerged as the best-performing model for our traffic prediction task. SVM demonstrated higher accuracy and better predictive capabilities, as indicated by its lower score of 49.

During our project, we utilized the root mean squared error (RMSE) as a cost function for evaluating the performance of our traffic prediction models. RMSE is a commonly used metric for regression problems and measures the average difference between predicted values and actual values.

RMSE calculates the square root of the mean of the squared differences between predicted and actual values. It provides an overall measure of how well the model's predictions align with the observed data. A lower RMSE indicates better accuracy and a closer fit between predicted and actual values.

6.3 Performance Outcome

The performance outcome provides an assessment of the system's performance based on the test results and observations. It highlights the achievements, challenges, and areas for improvement in terms of the identified constraints and functionalities. The performance outcome includes:

Analysis of Test Results: Evaluate the performance metrics obtained from each test case, such as memory usage, computational speed, prediction accuracy, durability, real-time monitoring, and power consumption.

Comparison Against Constraints: Compare the observed performance against the identified constraints to assess whether the system meets the predefined thresholds and requirements.

Identification of Successes and Challenges: Highlight the successes and achievements of the system, such as efficient memory utilization, fast processing speed, accurate predictions, and reliable operation. Additionally, address any challenges or limitations observed during the performance tests.

Recommendations for Improvement: Provide recommendations for further optimizing the system's performance, addressing any identified shortcomings or areas for enhancement. These recommendations may include algorithmic optimizations, infrastructure upgrades, or fine-tuning of parameters.

By analyzing the performance outcome, we gain insights into the system's capabilities and limitations. This information helps us refine and enhance our traffic management system, ensuring it meets the performance requirements and offers optimal efficiency in managing traffic flow.

7 My learnings

Throughout this project, I have gained valuable learnings that have contributed to my personal and professional growth. Here is a summary of my overall learnings and how they will benefit my career:

Data-Driven Decision Making: I have developed a strong understanding of the importance of data-driven decision making. By utilizing historical traffic data, conducting analysis, and applying machine learning techniques, I have learned to make informed decisions based on evidence and insights.

Machine Learning and Predictive Modeling: Through the implementation of various machine learning models, such as Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN), Random Forest, and Support Vector Machine (SVM), I have gained hands-on experience in developing predictive models for traffic forecasting. This knowledge will be invaluable in applying machine learning techniques to other real-world problems.

Feature Engineering and Model Evaluation: I have learned the significance of feature engineering in improving model performance. By selecting relevant features, creating lag features, and scaling data, I have enhanced the accuracy of the predictive models. Additionally, evaluating models using metrics such as RMSE, MAE, R-squared, and COD has provided insights into model performance and helped in model selection.

Real-Time Monitoring and Control Systems: Implementing a real-time traffic monitoring system and dynamic traffic control mechanisms has deepened my understanding of how intelligent systems can be leveraged to optimize traffic flow and minimize congestion. This knowledge can be applied to other domains that require real-time monitoring and control.

Collaboration and Integration: Collaborating with infrastructure planning teams and stakeholders has highlighted the importance of effective communication and integration of insights into future planning initiatives. This experience has sharpened my ability to work collaboratively and integrate data-driven solutions into larger projects.

Adaptability and Continuous Learning: Throughout this project, I have embraced an iterative and adaptable approach. Adapting to challenges, learning new techniques, and staying up-to-date with advancements in the field have been essential. This experience has reinforced the importance of continuous learning in the fast-paced field of data science.

Career Growth: The learnings from this project will significantly contribute to my career growth. The practical experience gained in data analysis, machine learning, and real-world problem-solving will strengthen my technical skills and make me more proficient in data-driven decision making. The ability to

work with real-time data, collaborate with diverse teams, and tackle complex problems will be highly valuable in my future endeavors.

Moreover, the project has honed my critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills. These transferrable skills will enable me to excel in various domains and adapt to emerging technologies and challenges in my career.

Overall, the learnings from this project have equipped me with a solid foundation in data science and intelligent systems, positioning me for continued growth and success in my career.

8 Future work scope

While completing this project, we have identified several potential avenues for future work that could further enhance our traffic management system. Due to time limitations, these ideas were not explored fully but hold significant potential for future development. Here are some key areas that can be considered for future work:

Advanced Machine Learning Techniques: Explore advanced machine learning techniques, such as deep learning architectures (e.g., Convolutional Neural Networks or Transformer models), ensemble methods, or hybrid models, to further improve the accuracy and robustness of our traffic prediction models.

Incorporation of Real-Time External Data: Integrate real-time external data sources, such as live weather updates, event schedules, or social media sentiment analysis, to enhance the predictive capabilities of the traffic management system. This would enable better adaptation to dynamic traffic conditions influenced by external factors.

Optimization of Traffic Signal Control Strategies: Investigate and develop advanced algorithms and optimization techniques for traffic signal control. Consider adaptive signal timing, dynamic signal coordination, and intelligent algorithms to minimize congestion and improve traffic flow efficiency.

Integration with Smart City Infrastructure: Collaborate with smart city initiatives and infrastructure planning teams to integrate our traffic management system with other systems and technologies. This includes leveraging Internet of Things (IoT) devices, connected vehicles, and smart transportation infrastructure to create a more comprehensive and efficient traffic management ecosystem.

Real-Time Traffic Visualization and Reporting: Develop a user-friendly interface or dashboard that provides real-time visualization of traffic conditions, alternative routes, and predictive insights. Incorporate reporting capabilities to generate detailed analytics and summaries for traffic management authorities and city planners.

Optimal Resource Allocation: Investigate resource allocation strategies, including the optimal placement of sensors, cameras, or IoT devices, to maximize data collection and minimize costs. Consider the use of advanced algorithms, such as genetic algorithms or reinforcement learning, to optimize the allocation of resources in a dynamic and changing environment.

Integration with Public Transportation Systems: Extend the traffic management system to integrate with public transportation systems, enabling better coordination and optimization of bus

routes, schedules, and traffic signal priority for public transportation vehicles. This would contribute to more efficient and reliable public transportation services.

By exploring these future work areas, we can further enhance the capabilities and effectiveness of our traffic management system. These advancements would contribute to a more intelligent and efficient transportation network, ultimately improving the quality of life for citizens in our smart city.