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ABSTRACT

Parameters of traffic, road availability, and fare were integrated into a web-based application for determining the best public transport routes within Metro Manila in order to assist commuters in their travel planning, whether for business or for pleasure. A user-friendly interface was developed to obtain a user's place of origin and destination, as well as preferences in travel time, mode of transportation, and cost of journey. By accessing the traffic roadway network of the metropolis, a real-time situation of road availability was obtained, and used in a modified Dijkstra's shortest-path algorithm to produce a model of a real-time adaptive transport network of Metro Manila. From the model, an optimal route that considers the user's preferences can be determined. This project will be immensely useful in helping both businessmen and tourists in planning their routes that will save on time and money.

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This study used a modified Dijkstra's shortest-path algorithm to model a real-time adaptive transport network of Metro Manila. This model can take various values of parameters provided by the customers and then compile optimal routes to travel for their reference. The most attractive feature of this study is in its practicality. As for the presentation, it will be proper if the algorithm can be provided and be discussed at some length. Empirical data had been collected in order to validate the model by checking the differences between the expected and the actual time required to travel. The sample size, however, is rather small. Furthermore, the Mann Whitney u test is inappropriate as the two time variables are related.