

# An Intelligence Traffic Monitoring System

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## ABSTRACT

The most important challenge to sustainable mobility is persistent congestions of differing strength and duration in the dense transport networks. The standard Adaptive Traffic Signal Control cannot properly address this kind of congestion. Deep learning-based mechanisms have proved their significance to anticipate in adjective outcomes to improve the decision making on the predictions of traffic length. The deep learning models have long been used in many application domains which needed the identification and prioritization of adverse factors for a simplifying human life. Several methods are being popularly used to handle real time problems occurring from traffic congestion. This study demonstrates the capability of DL models to overcome the traffic congestion by simply allowing the vehicles through a signal depending on the length of vehicles. Our proposed method integrates a numeral of approach, intended to advance the cooperativeness of the explore operation. In this work, we develop the application to regulate the traffic by releasing better signal at desired time intervals.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

The transportation system is important in every one's life. Traffic congestion is a major issue in our daily life. There are several reasons for the sudden surge in the traffic, in many regions. The main reason can be defined as, to increase in the population which in turn has caused a rise in the number of vehicles on the road. Also, there are several other issues for traffic congestion like insufficient infrastructure, ineffective management of capacity (i.e. poor traffic timing), work zone, special events, emergencies, unconstraint demands etc. In the past few years, development in wireless communication technologies and the development of vehicular network standards tiled the way for the implementation of ITS. ITS is defined as the application of advanced sensors, computer, electronics and telecommunication technologies and management strategies in an integrated way to improve the safety and efficiency of the transportation system [1]. The major goal of ITS is to evaluate, develop, analyze and integrate the sensors, information communications technologies, and concept to make efficient traffic flow to improve environmental quality, save energy, conserve time such that enhance the comfort of drivers, pedestrian, and other traffic groups[2].

We can say that the purpose of ITS is to take advantage of the appropriate technologies to create "more intelligent" roads, vehicles and users. Several ITS technologies were developed and started to use in the 80s in many countries. The Zero-Sum Ltd. Japanese firm who expertise in ITS along with Ahmadabad Municipal Corporation launched its pilot project on real-time traffic information in the city of Ahmadabad. This was the first ITS Solution with the integrated commercial system in India. One of the big milestones for ITS measure was carried out during "2010 Asian Games" at China for parallel traffic control and management [3].

An ITS application must detect, control and reduce congestion based on online data that describes traffic patterns such as, density, speed, travel time, the geographic position of

vehicles and the current time. To accomplish this goal, however, the main challenge is how to forecast congestion and re-route vehicles appropriately by considering the time impact on future traffic in an area of interest [4]. Inadequate capacity or density and unrestrained demand are interconnected but signal delays are hard coded and do not depend on the amount of traffic density. Therefore there is a need to optimize the traffic control system and make it more dynamic so as to accommodate the varying traffic density. This paper provides reviews of the various techniques are proposed by different authors to automate and optimize the traffic signal for trafficflow. The paper is organized into many sections, in which section II will give the historical perspective and an overview of the state of the art on worldwide ITS. Section III highlights a comparative study of all the existing methods used with advantages and disadvantages. Section IV describes the challenges and issues of worldwide and Indian ITS. Finally, section V concludes the study and some future work.

## II. ITS BACKGROUND

Intelligent Transportation Systems is a global trend, attracting worldwide interest from transportation professionals, automotive industry, and political decision makers. ITS is related to advanced communication, information, and electronics technology to solve transportation problems such as traffic congestion, safety, transport efficiency and environmental conservation, characterized as:

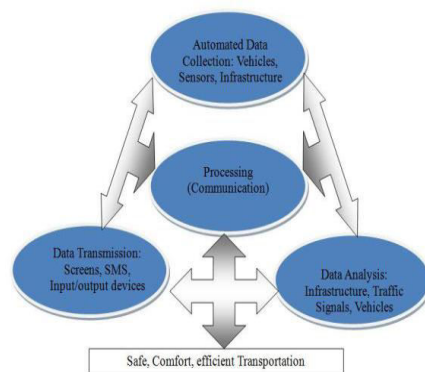


Figure1: Architecture / Overview Structure of ITS

As per the figure, 1 components of ITS can be defined as:

**Automated Data Collection:** It needs extensive and precise strategic planning through hardware and competent software. Automatic vehicle identification, GPS based vehicle locator, cameras, sensors etc. are the some of the hardware used for data collection. With this large amount of data the analysis can be done like traffic count, surveillance, travel speed, time, location, delay etc.

**Data Transmission:** It is a key aspect of rapid and real-time information communication in ITS implementation. Information can be communicated by a traffic-related announcement to the traveler through SMS, internet, on-board units of vehicles etc.

**Data Analysis:** It contains adaptive logical analysis, error rectification, data cleaning, and data syntheses. The processed data analyzed further to forecast traffic scenario. Real-time information like travel time, delay, accidents on roads, change in route, work zone, diversions etc. is the gain after data analysis [4].

With respective above points ITS covers and improves almost all the aspects of transportation engineering. There are many auxiliaries of the ITS out of which most significant and

extensively used all over the world to solve the traffic and transportation problem are as follows:



Figure 2: Subsidiaries of ITS

**Advanced Traveler Information System (ATIS):** It implements a broad range of technologies, such as internet, telephones, cellular phones, television, radio, etc. to help travelers and drivers in making informed decisions regarding trip departures, optimum routes, and available modes of travel.

**Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS):** It is used by traffic police department and traffic regulation authorities as a tool to manage and control traffic by monitoring the flow of traffic and making appropriate decisions in a timely manner. Traffic management systems optimize the movement of vehicles, by using real-time information to interfere with and adjust controls such as traffic signals to improve traffic flow.

**Advanced Public Transportation System (APTS):** It is concerned with increasing operational efficiency of all public transportation modes and increasing condition by making the transportation system more reliable. With the help of APTS the way public transportation systems functioning is transformed and the nature of the transportation services that can be offered by public transportation systems are changed.

**Emergency Management System (EMS):** It is the newest research field in the intelligent transportation system. EMS is mainly concerned with the application of different intelligent transportation system technologies to develop a transport system which can provide help in the emergency conditions [5].

The architecture and different developed models over the years of four major branches of ITS have been considered by researchers in their studies using vehicle to infrastructure (V2I) or vehicle to vehicle (V2V) communications, for ease of life quality in metropolitan, urban areas complex management strategies with network-wide traffic control needed. As determined the goal of efficient traffic control using design process and investigation of algorithm and infrastructure with proper traffic planner is done in [10][57].

## II-A. WORLDWIDE ITS

Now a day's many countries have accepted applications of this ITS not only for traffic congestion control but for road safety and proper utilization of infrastructure too. Many organizations are coming with multiple solutions related to the ITS issues. Because of ITS has become a multidisciplinary conjunctive field of work, between public, private and academic sectors.

In the U.S., Department of intelligent transportation system focuses on automation, connected vehicles, emerging capabilities, enterprise data, interoperability and accelerating deployment [18].

European ITS has taken a major step towards deployment and use of road transport since 2008. Other public-private partnership programs aim at safety applications of ITS like connected automated driving, deployment, and use of intelligent safety [43].

United Kingdom has done some remarkable executions of ITS as follows-electronic toll collection, cameras are installed to observe the traffic activities etc. Intelligent speed adaption is also implemented using GPS[48].

ITS features in Dubai are traffic jam alerts, parking, parking guidance, dynamic onboard navigation system for car users [53].

Canada is the first country that introduced ITS. ITS has traveler information system, public transport services consisting transit, management, real-time passenger information etc[49].

A few cities in India have implemented ITS projects such as automatic parking, highway toll collection, traffic signal management, and public transportation management. Chennai city authorities have initiated traffic management by installing surveillance cameras at intersections and supervise the traffic flow. Being a part of the project FM radio station played a very good role in transmitting traffic jam in Chennai. With the help of radar, accelerometer gun and smart cameras traffic control, as well as vehicle number detection, is implemented in Mumbai. A pilot project was implemented in Hyderabad and Delhi by initiating SMS based system for road users and BRT system implementation in Pune[50]. Also, because of inefficient management of traffic and increasing vehicle count creating inconsistencies reported [52].

### III. STUDY OF EXISTING METHODS

The papers reviewed based on the following points:

Approaches used to make traffic routing and a signal controlling decisions, i.e. adaptive (learning) versus non- adaptive, simulation versus real-time and hybrid strategies.

Types of parameters (input and output) such as traffic quantity, waiting time, previous and current traffic data information/knowledge to make traffic routing.

Traffic data collection methods used and communication methods applied/considered.

Smart traffic control (STC) at a single intersection or multiple intersections or both.

The way of improvement in the performance of traffic control to avoid congestion.

Video Analytics Deployed in traffic domain for traffic congestion control:

Generally, the problem of vehicle counting is mostly done using deploying inductive loops. These loops provide high accuracy but are very disturbing at the roadway, that's why it comes with high maintenance cost. Most of video analytics system on traffic congestion focuses on counting and doing classifications for more statistics. The vehicle identification is used with self-adaptive windows to estimate the mean travel time under traffic demand and supply uncertainty (i.e recurrent traffic congestion, bottleneck etc) [46]. In [8], demonstrated motion-based tracking with trajectory analysis method is to improve intersection behavior analysis for accurate turning movement count at the intersection. There is a major problem with mixed vehicle (e.g. cars, scooter, heavy vehicle etc) traffic flow that has been tackled in [5]. Image processing algorithm is used to estimate traffic density using cameras. Based on analysis of traffic images from live traffic evidence of congestion collapse which lasts for the extended time period shown in [9]. Many ITS applications rely on lane-level vehicle arrangement (positioning) that requires high accuracy, bandwidth, availability, and integrity. Lane-level positioning methods must reliably work in real time in a wide range of environments demonstrated in[16]. There are many lighting and weather conditions effects on vision-based systems. Such system must adopt all these lighting conditions. The different cues are given

related to this kind of situation in [21][25][28]. Because of uncertainty in the traffic flows with the machine-vision algorithm an autonomous fuzzy control system also used in [39].

#### IV. ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

Several attempts were made for the traffic optimization by researchers. One of the challenges is to integrate the predictions for upcoming traffic conditions. Another challenge is to design flexible model to deal with objectives like time, financial cost, convenience and environmental pollution etc. From the technical point of view, correct detection of vehicle density on road by keeping high accuracy including improved algorithmic solutions for multiple cues, for statistical and learning methods, sensors and telemetric (e.g. V2X communication, GPS). One of the key aspects in ITS is proper collection of dataset can carried out by employing more powerful sensors or developing sensor fusion to handle software and hardware issues coming at algorithmic level. In Asian nation like India, the National Development Policy Committee (NTDPC) was legitimate by the government of India in 2010 to formulate long run ITS policy. It identifies methodologies to unravel current ITS issues and targeted towards too long run vision on 2032 by introducing multi-model structures[26].

Because of people's demand and expectation of service quality has changed due to the availability of maps, GPS, etc. People plan their routes based on distance, time and cost. Therefore 'Information and Communication Technology' (ICT) enabled transport is stressed nowadays. This functionality will help to collect more efficient data and analytics will lead towards the better decision making in systematic execution of ITS applications [54].

For the ITS implementation the key aspects that India is facing are given by world bank study report : improper developed road networks, economical restriction observed in the government, uncontrolled population growth, lack of resources for function and maintenance of roads, less requirement for automation, less interest in decision making and lack of user awareness.

At the same time, the number of small scaled ITS pilot projects are being implemented that are given in the previous section. So far there is hardly any fully implemented ITS application present in India.

In India, ITS applications must focus on emergency management, congestion management, advanced traffic management system, advanced traveler information system, commercial vehicle operations, advanced vehicle control system etc. This probably can be achieved by implementing proper road network. Following are some specific challenges

#### V. CONCLUSION

Ever increasing population growth in urbanization because of migration from rural to urban and economic expansion has made an impact on the rapid increase in vehicle population. It puts a massive amount of pressure on transportation infrastructure and particularly on traffic management practices in cities and town of the urban area. Based on worldwide best practices observed in countries like the USA, Dubai, Canada, United Kingdom etc., the ITS application appears to be providing promising solutions for traffic control and management. In this paper, we have tried to explore the world of ITS and an efficient model can be designed by an integrated approach with a number of sensors and technologies. On another hand, each technology has its own limitations. As far as a country like India is concerned, there are many physical, social, economic challenges in front of ITS to grows efficiently. In

India, under the "Smart City" project many government organizations have taken initiative for implementing a number of ITS projects. In order to avoid accidents on highways, a proposal has been initiated and communicated to the Maharashtra Government to install Intelligent Traffic Monitoring system [51]. India has started a big take off towards the journey of ITS.

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