

INVENTORY BALANCING AND VEHICLE ROUTING IN BIKE SHARING SYSTEMS

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MOTIVATION



One of the means for avoiding the use of public transport in urban transport is the size of the distance between the point of departure and the destination. Services such as buses and taxis cannot provide transportation to every corner of the city. This is called the last-mile problem in the literature. In order to solve the problem of the last mile, various projects were implemented in the world. One of these projects is bike-sharing systems.

Bike sharing systems are becoming more and more widespread in many regions. This system offers cheap and environmentally friendly transportation options for short distances to people. According to cityficiency, the number of bike share bicycles hits an estimated 1,000,000 globally. With nearly 100 bike sharing systems in operation worldwide now, and also usage and performance of bike sharing systems is becoming more widely available.

Kayseri is Turkey's first domestic bike sharing system that Kayseri Transport Parking and Bike Directorate control out its activities. Although it does not have a high profit yield, Kayseri Transportation Inc. has provided the Kayseri system to the urban people in line with the above-mentioned algorithms and is in the process of various improvement and innovation to guarantee the continuity of the system. In this regard, the individuals who would use the system are identified with a reasonable usage fee and the standards can use this special bicycle card to get a bicycle from any station and leave them to any station again after using it in city transportation. After the usage, the person is charged in proportion to the time he/she rented a bike.

CURRENT SYSTEM



PROBLEM DEFINITION



DATA PREPROCESSING



SIMULATION MODEL



Comparison of three safety limits.

Station Number	Bike Number	Number in	Customer Credit First Round	Customer Credit First Round Number (in)
100	1	1	1	1
101	1	1	1	1
102	1	1	1	1
103	1	1	1	1
104	1	1	1	1
105	1	1	1	1
106	1	1	1	1
107	1	1	1	1
108	1	1	1	1
109	1	1	1	1
110	1	1	1	1

Bike numbers are changed to 300, 400 and 600 with equal safety limits.

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104	1	1	1	1
105	1	1	1	1
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107	1	1	1	1
108	1	1	1	1
109	1	1	1	1
110	1	1	1	1

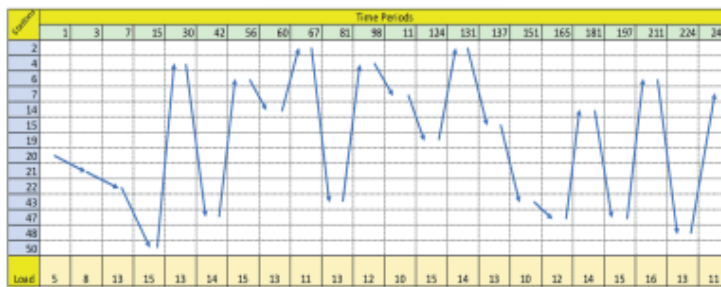
Relocating team carries 6 bikes in one run and 8 bikes in one run.

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Location of 11 stations around the city are seen below.



RESULTS AND CONCLUSION



It is indicated by the arrows above the movement of the relocation vehicle route. There are stations in the lines and time intervals in the columns. The table shows the current cycling numbers, station and time intervals. As can be seen from the results, some stations are experiencing density. During ARENA simulation, stations with customers who can't find bicycles because the results of the optimization work. It will be suggested that Kayseri Urban AG should increase the number of bicycles at the stations where there is density as project output.

SYSTEM-ON MATHEMATICAL MODELLING

Sets

S stations: $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 40, 50, 51\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

T time period: $t = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 238, 239, 240\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$

Data

C_{ij} Distance between station i and station j (meter)

RT_{ij} Required time in order to travel from station i to station j (Time Period, t)

DS_{ij} The difference between the coming and leaving number of bikes on station i at time t , station Netflow (Bicycles)

C_{ij} Bike capacity of station i

Decision Variables

L_i Load on vehicle at time period t

$P_{ij,t}$ Number of bikes moved from station i to station j at time period t

$R_{ij,t}$ Number of bikes taken from station i to station j at time period t

S_{ij} Load on station at time period t

$X_{ij,t}$ $\begin{cases} 1, & \text{if vehicle has left the station } i \text{ at time } t \text{ in order to arrive at station } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$Y_{ij,t}$ $\begin{cases} 1, & \text{if vehicle that has left from station } i \text{ entered the station } j \text{ at time } t \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Formulation

Minimize $z = \sum_{i,j,t} C_{ij} X_{ij,t} - \sum_{i,j,t} C_{ij} Y_{ij,t} - \sum_{i,j,t} C_{ij} X_{ij,t} Y_{ij,t}$

The objective function tries to lower the transportation cost of the vehicle while trying to maximize the number of bicycles taken and left at each trip

Subject to:

Constraint -1 $\sum_{i,j,t} X_{ij,t} \leq 1 \quad \forall t$

This constraint ensures that maximum 1 travel order can be placed at a time period t

Constraint -2 $X_{ij,t} = Y_{ij,t} + w_{ij,t}$ $\forall i,j,t$

This constraint provides that the vehicle that has left from station i will enter to the destination station after a certain amount of time

Constraint -3 $\sum_{i,j,t} Y_{ij,t} \leq 1 \quad \forall t$

This constraint ensures that maximum one vehicle can be received at a time period t

Constraint -4 $X_{ij,t} = 0 \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint eliminates for the station to be donor and receiver at the same time

Constraint -5 $\sum_{i,j,t} X_{ij,t} = \sum_{i,j,t} Y_{ij,t} \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that if the vehicle has entered a station at time t , there will be an outgoing trip from station i at time t

Constraint -6 $R_{ij,t} \leq 20X_{ij,t} \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the vehicle can take at most 20 bikes for relocation from station i to station j at time t

Constraint -7 $P_{ij,t} \leq 20Y_{ij,t} \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the vehicle can leave at most 20 bikes for relocation from station j to station i at time t

Constraint -8 $R_{ij,t} \geq 0 \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the taken value by vehicle cannot be negative station i to station j at time t

Constraint -9 $P_{ij,t} \geq 0 \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the left value by vehicle cannot be negative station j to station i at time t

Constraint -10 $L_i = R_{ij,t} - P_{ij,t} \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the number of bikes on the vehicle at the first time period must be equal to difference between taken and left bikes

Constraint -11 $\sum_{i,j,t} P_{ij,t} = 400$

This constraint ensures that the number of bikes on all stations at the first time is equal to 400

Constraint -12 $S_{ij,t} \geq 0 \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the number of bikes at station i cannot be negative at any time

Constraint -13 $S_{ij,t} \leq C_{ij} \quad \forall i,j,t$

This constraint ensures that the number of bikes at station i cannot be more than capacity of station i

Constraint -14 $L_i = L_{i-1} - \sum_{j,t} P_{ij,t} + \sum_{j,t} R_{ij,t} \quad \forall i \in T(1)$

This constraint ensures that the number of bikes on the vehicle at time t must be equal to number of bikes on the vehicle at time $t-1$, difference between taken and left bikes at time t

Constraint -15 $S_{ij,t} = S_{ij,t-1} + DS_{ij,t} + \sum_{j,t} P_{ij,t} - \sum_{j,t} R_{ij,t} \quad \forall i,j,t \in T(1)$

This constraint ensures that the number of bikes at station i at time t equals to number of bikes at station i at time $t-1$, difference between taken and left bikes at time t , and Netflow at time t

Constraint -16 $\sum_{i,j,t} X_{ij,t} = 1$

This constraint ensures that at the first time period relocation operation starts

Constraint -17 $\sum_{i,j,t} Y_{ij,t} = 1$

This constraint ensures that at the last time period relocation operation finishes