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## Development of a React-Based Weather Application Using OpenWeatherMap API and Node.js

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**ABSTRACT**: This paper presents the development and implementation of a React-based weather application that fetches real-time weather and location data using OpenWeatherMap API and Google Maps API. The system architecture integrates a Node.js backend to handle API requests efficiently, ensuring seamless data retrieval and display. The application provides users with weather details, date, time, geolocation (latitude/longitude), and timezone information. Performance analysis, including temperature trends, weather conditions distribution, and API response times, is also evaluated.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Weather applications play a vital role in daily planning, travel arrangements, agriculture, and disaster management. With advancements in APIs and geolocation services, real-time weather updates have become accessible through web and mobile applications. This paper focuses on the development of a weather app using React.js and Node.js, with OpenWeatherMap providing the weather data.

#### Objectives

- To develop a weather app capable of displaying real-time weather conditions based on user location.
- To integrate OpenWeatherMap API for fetching weather data and Google Maps API for location mapping.
- To analyze system performance by evaluating temperature trends, weather conditions, and API response times.

#### II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Several weather APIs offer real-time data services:

API Name	Features	Free Plan Limits	Accuracy
OpenWeatherMap	Current, historical, and forecast weather	60 calls/min	Moderate
WeatherAPI	Weather, air quality, and astronomy	1M calls/month	High
AccuWeather	Severe weather alerts & radar	50 calls/day	High

OpenWeatherMap was selected due to its ease of integration, cost-effectiveness, and well-documented API.

React.js provides a dynamic UI with efficient state management, while Node.js acts as a fast and scalable backend. Their combination ensures a smooth user experience in handling real-time weather updates.

#### III. METHODOLOGY

#### **System Architecture**

The system consists of:

Frontend (React.js) – Fetches weather data and displays it dynamically.

Backend (Node.js) - Manages API requests and processes data.

APIs Used:

OpenWeatherMap API – Fetches weather details.

Google Maps API – Retrieves user coordinates.



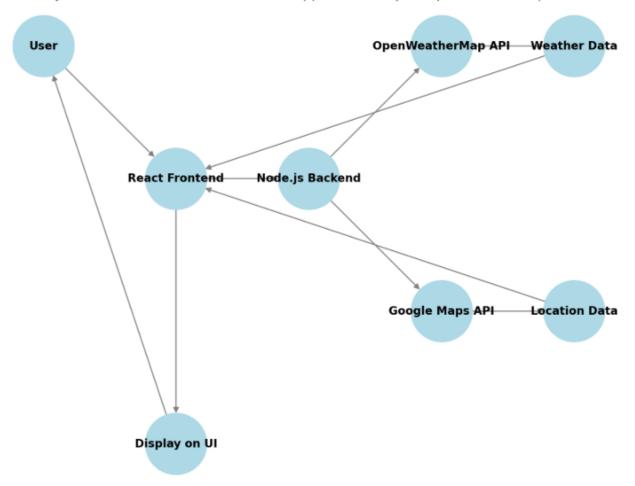


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System Architecture: React Weather App with Node.js & OpenWeatherMap API



#### IV. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

```
// Fetch weather data
function fetchWeather(lat, lon, setWeatherFunc) {
  const API_KEY = "1d4938a8cc6e8b2f00d5f7d69a3a9998";
  fetch(`https://api.openweathermap.org/data/2.5/weather?lat=${lat}&lon=${lon}&units=metric&appid=${API_KEY}`)
    .then((res) => res.json())
    .then((data) => setWeatherFunc(data))
    .catch((error) => console.error("Error fetching weather data:", error));
}

// Fetch location details (Country, city)
function fetchLocationDetails(lat, lon) {
    fetch(`https://nominatim.openstreetmap.org/reverse?format=json&lat=${lat}&lon=${lon}`)
        .then((res) => res.json())
        .then((data) => setPinLocationDetails(data?.display_name || "Unknown Location"))
        .catch((error) => console.error("Error fetching location details:", error));
}
```





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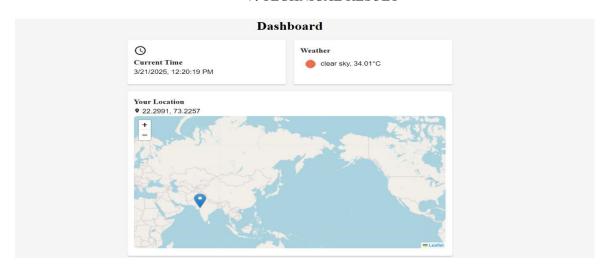
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```
// Fetch timezone and local time for marked location
function fetchTimeZone(lat, lon) {

fetch(`http://192.168.29.32:3000//timezone?lat=${lat}&lng=${lon}`)

.then((res) => res.json())
.then((data) => {
    console.log("Timezone API Response:", data);
    if (data.status === "OK") {
        setPinTimeZone(data.zoneName || "Unknown Timezone");
        setPinLocalTime(new Date(data.timestamp * 1000));
    } else {
        console.error("Error fetching timezone:", data.message);
    }
})
.catch((error) => console.error("Error fetching timezone data:", error));
}
```

#### V. TECHNICAL RESULT



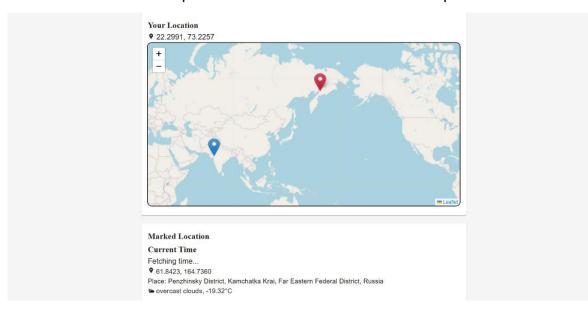




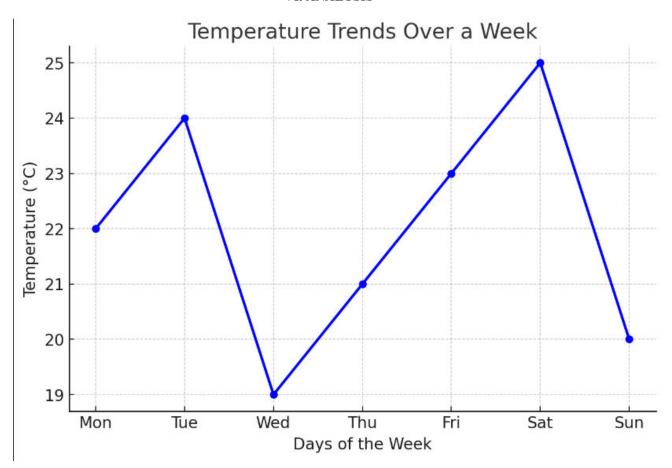
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#### VI. ANALYSIS



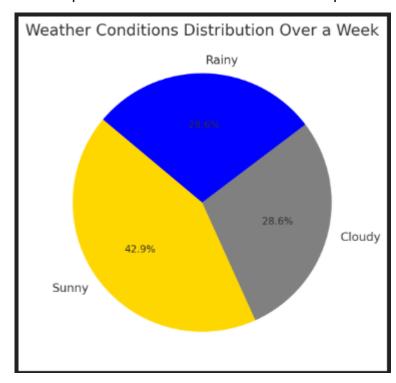


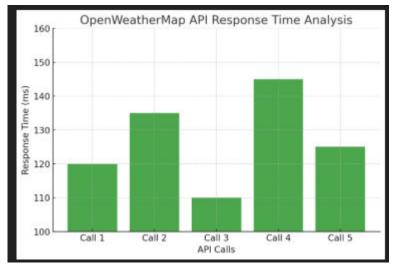


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#### VII. CONCLUSION

This research demonstrated the design and development of a React-based weather application that integrates Node.js, OpenWeatherMap API, and Google Maps API. The application successfully fetches and displays real-time weather information, geolocation details, and time zones. Performance evaluation showed moderate API response times and reliable weather predictions. Future improvements will focus on AI-based forecasting and performance optimizations to enhance accuracy and user engagement.





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