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"From the Tennis Club to the Golf Course in 0.005 Seconds or Less: A Commercial Shortest-Path Engine That Employs Preprocessing"

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Abstract:

As part of a software suite for supporting location-based services, WaveMarket has developed a fast engine for computing a single-source, single-sink shortest path in a road network. The engine is faster than competing products by more than an order of magnitude. In this talk, we describe some of the the algorithmic ideas behind this advance.