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COURSE PROJECT: EcoClothBin

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ABSTRACT

This project aims to digitize and improve the efficiency of clothing donation processes in cities, addressing issues of waste and operational inefficiency. Current systems rely on random, manual sorting of donations, which consumes time and resources. Our solution employs technology to optimize donation management, enhance transparency, and reduce waste.

Key features include SMS-based user verification, digital categorization of clothing condition, and real-time monitoring of donation box occupancy. The system provides accurate records for faster access to donations and routes unusable items to recycling to support sustainability goals.

The project integrates software and hardware components: Yunus Emre Karataş leads web development using HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Node.js, and PostgreSQL; Muhsin Ay develops a Windows Forms management panel with C#, .NET, and DevExpress; Ömer Tekin Yavuz oversees project management and system design to ensure cohesion.

By reducing manual work, minimizing textile waste, and improving donation accessibility, this project offers a scalable model for urban donation management, promoting community awareness and advancing sustainability.

1.INTRODUCTION

The increasing emphasis on sustainable development and resource efficiency has heightened the need for improved donation and recycling systems in cities. Clothing donations, in particular, provide both

opportunities and challenges for sustainable urban and community living. Traditional donation processes often involve public clothing donation boxes where individuals can leave items for those in need, reducing textile waste. However, these processes typically rely on outdated manual systems that lack technological integration for tracking, sorting, and managing donations. This project aims to transform the clothing donation process into a streamlined, digital system that optimizes efficiency, transparency, and sustainability.

In current systems, donated items are usually collected randomly, without immediate classification, often leading to mixed-quality donations in a single collection point. Manual sorting of these items is time-intensive and inefficient, and in some cases, donations remain uncollected for extended periods, resulting in overflow and damaged items. Not only does this undermine the donation process itself, but it also leads to textile waste as clothing becomes unusable from exposure to outdoor conditions. Additionally, these issues can deter potential donors and reduce the reliability of donations as a resource for those in need.

One of the key challenges is the lack of transparency and traceability in current donation systems. Donors often have no visibility into the journey of their contributions, which can impact public trust and reduce engagement. Cities also face challenges in directing donations efficiently to areas or individuals who need them most, especially in high-demand times like winter. With a lack of organized tracking and classification, valuable resources are lost or underutilized, and cities miss opportunities to foster more sustainable donation practices.

Our project proposes a comprehensive digital solution for clothing donation management, addressing these challenges with a more efficient, sustainable, and data-driven approach. At its core, the system enables real-time tracking and categorization of donations, ensuring each item’s status is recorded

accurately from the moment of donation. By implementing an SMS-based verification system, our project brings an element of accountability and traceability to the donation process. Each donor's contribution is logged in the system, creating a digital record that can be accessed to track donation history and encourage continued engagement. This SMS verification not only improves transparency but also helps create a reliable dataset for analyzing donation patterns.

A critical feature of the project is the digital classification framework that allows donations to be sorted based on item type, condition, and usability. This classification enables efficient inventory management, with usable clothing directed to recipients, while unwearable items are allocated for recycling. By incorporating recycling protocols, the project aims to minimize textile waste, contributing to a circular economy. Additionally, the real-time tracking system helps maintain an organized process, reducing the time and costs associated with manual handling.

The technical aspects of this project are managed by a team with expertise in various technologies. Yunus Emre Karataş leads the web application development, utilizing HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Node.js, and PostgreSQL to create an accessible and user-friendly platform. This web application allows users to register, verify donations via SMS, and track the status of their contributions. It also serves as a data collection hub for analyzing donation trends, improving logistical planning, and refining distribution strategies.

Muhsin Ay oversees the development of a Windows Forms-based management panel using C#, .NET, and DevExpress. This panel provides an administrative interface where managers can monitor donation data, access classification information, and make informed decisions regarding collection schedules and resource allocation. The management panel's interface simplifies the process of

overseeing donation data, enabling administrators to respond quickly to changes and adjust distribution according to demand.

Project manager Ömer Tekin Yavuz is responsible for coordinating the project, managing the design and analysis phases, and ensuring the team's efforts align with the project goals. By maintaining clear communication among team members and overseeing both technical and operational aspects, he ensures that the project progresses smoothly from development to implementation.

The broader significance of this project lies in its alignment with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities, which emphasizes the need to make cities inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable. By improving the efficiency of clothing donation processes, this project contributes to building more resilient and sustainable communities. Additionally, the project's emphasis on resource optimization and waste reduction supports the circular economy model, aligning with principles of responsible consumption and production.

In conclusion, this project represents an innovative approach to donation management, merging digital technology with sustainable practices to create a more efficient and transparent system. By addressing existing inefficiencies and introducing a structured approach to categorization and resource distribution, the project aims to positively impact both urban and suburban communities. Through digital verification, classification, and streamlined processes, the project fosters a more sustainable and accessible donation ecosystem, reduces textile waste, and provides a scalable model for other cities seeking to adopt similar sustainable practices.

2.REALISTIC CONSTRAINTS AND CONDITIONS

2.1-Sustainable Development Goal

Our project is directly aligned with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities, which seeks to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable. This goal underscores the need for effective resource management, waste reduction, and enhanced living conditions across both urban and suburban areas within cities—objectives that our project aims to achieve.

The existing clothing donation systems often lack efficiency and organization, resulting in unmonitored collection processes and the accumulation of unsorted donations. This can lead to excess textile waste, as improperly handled donations frequently become unusable due to exposure to the elements. Our project addresses these challenges by implementing a digital system that optimizes the clothing donation process. Through SMS-based verification, digital classification of clothing items, and real-time monitoring of donation box occupancy, our system aims to streamline donation collection, minimize waste, and ensure timely distribution of usable items across various parts of the city, not limited to dense urban centers.

By digitizing and tracking each donation, we create a system that increases the reusability of clothing resources. Items in good condition are directed to those in need, while worn-out items are sorted for recycling. This approach helps reduce textile waste, supporting a circular economy and contributing to waste management goals in both the urban core and more dispersed community areas.

The project also contributes to safer, more inclusive neighborhoods by preventing donation boxes from overflowing, which can create hazards and detract from the appearance and accessibility of public spaces. Real-time tracking allows for proactive collection management, ensuring that donation sites remain clean, safe, and welcoming for all community members. By fostering sustainable practices in both central and outlying areas, our project provides a scalable model that supports SDG 11's goals of sustainable resource use, community resilience, and improved quality of life across diverse urban and suburban settings.

2.2-Effects on Health, Environment, and the Problems of the Age Reflected in the Field of Engineering

Our project, which digitizes clothing donation processes, has multiple positive impacts on health, the environment, and community welfare, addressing modern engineering challenges related to sustainability, waste reduction, and social responsibility.

Health and Community Welfare: Properly managing clothing donations enhances public health and safety by reducing the presence of unmanaged waste in donation boxes. Overflowing boxes and improperly stored items can create unsanitary conditions, attracting pests and negatively impacting public spaces. With a real-time tracking and management system, our project ensures that donation sites remain organized and clean, supporting healthier environments in both urban and suburban areas. Additionally, by efficiently directing usable clothing to those in need, this project helps improve the well-being of low-income individuals and families who may rely on donations for essential clothing items, especially in colder seasons.

Environmental Impact: Textile waste is a growing environmental issue, with many donated clothing items ending up in landfills if they are not properly managed. Textiles often require significant resources to produce, including water, energy, and raw materials, and their decomposition in landfills generates greenhouse gases and pollutants. By categorizing clothing items at the point of donation, our system ensures that wearable items are distributed to those in need while unusable items are redirected for recycling. This approach helps reduce the environmental footprint associated with textile disposal, supporting the circular economy and promoting responsible resource use in line with Sustainable Development Goals.

Modern Engineering Challenges: Addressing issues related to sustainability and digital transformation is crucial in contemporary engineering. Our project reflects these priorities by applying digital technology to optimize and modernize traditional donation systems, demonstrating how engineering can be applied to create sustainable, resource-efficient solutions. The project's development involves complex integration of software and data management, requiring skills in systems design, user interface development, and data analysis. Each of these areas reflects current engineering challenges, such as ensuring user-friendly designs for broad accessibility, securing data integrity, and optimizing system performance under varying conditions.

By tackling these modern problems through a structured, technology-driven approach, our project serves as an example of how engineering can address both immediate community needs and broader societal challenges, such as waste reduction, public health, and environmental preservation. Through this combination of social impact and sustainability, we aim to provide a scalable solution that benefits not only the local community but also contributes to global efforts toward responsible and sustainable urban living.

2.3-Legal Consequences:

The digitization of clothing donation processes in our project introduces several legal considerations, particularly in areas related to data protection, compliance with donation and recycling regulations, and adherence to health and safety standards.

Data Protection and Privacy: One of the primary legal aspects involves the collection and storage of donor information, especially as our project employs SMS-based verification for tracking donations. Since this system requires donors to provide personal contact details, we must comply with data protection laws, such as the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in the European Union or local data privacy laws in other regions. These regulations mandate clear guidelines for handling personal information, including obtaining user consent, securing data storage, and providing transparency on how the data is used. Ensuring that the system only collects minimal necessary information and implementing encryption protocols for data storage and transmission will help in compliance with these regulations and safeguard donor privacy.

Donation and Recycling Compliance: As our project involves the collection and redistribution of clothing items, it must adhere to legal standards governing donations and recycling. Many jurisdictions regulate donation activities, including the handling and distribution of secondhand clothing, to ensure items are safe, hygienic, and appropriately managed. Legal requirements may also specify the types of items acceptable for donation, the standards of condition for redistributed items, and guidelines for items designated for recycling. By implementing a classification system that categorizes items based on usability and condition, our project helps meet these standards. Additionally, adherence to recycling regulations is necessary for items unsuited for direct reuse, as they must be disposed of in compliance with environmental protection laws to avoid contributing to landfill waste.

Health and Safety Regulations: Clothing donation systems must comply with health and safety standards to protect both workers handling donations and the recipients of the items. The handling and redistribution of clothing may present safety risks, particularly if items are not properly cleaned or stored. Legal guidelines typically require measures to prevent contamination and ensure hygiene standards. In our project, donations will be processed to separate wearable items from unusable ones, and items categorized as reusable will be directed to appropriate channels for distribution. Ensuring compliance with health and safety laws not only protects the end users but also reinforces public trust in the donation system.

Consumer Protection and Liability: By establishing a digital donation platform, our project may also be subject to consumer protection laws, especially if the platform is publicly accessible or provides information on item tracking and usage. Providing accurate and transparent information on the condition and intended use of donated items is essential to maintain compliance and avoid any potential legal liabilities. Any misrepresentation of the donation system's processes or donation tracking features could lead to legal issues under consumer protection laws. To mitigate this, our platform will include clear disclaimers and user guidance, ensuring that donors and recipients understand the scope and limitations of the system.

In summary, our project addresses legal implications through strict data privacy protocols, compliance with donation and recycling regulations, adherence to health and safety standards, and transparency in communication. These considerations ensure that the project meets legal requirements while promoting responsible and sustainable donation practices.

3.Literature Analysis

The growing environmental concerns surrounding textile waste have driven substantial interest in optimizing donation and recycling systems as part of sustainable urban living. Textile waste is one of the most pressing issues globally, with millions of tons discarded annually. These discarded textiles often end up in landfills, where they decompose and release greenhouse gases, including methane, that contribute to climate change. Smith and Nguyen (2020) highlighted the resource-intensive nature of textile production, which requires vast amounts of water, energy, and raw materials, making the disposal of textiles particularly harmful. Their research points to the critical need for systems that support the recycling and reuse of textiles to reduce this environmental footprint.

The traditional method of clothing donation, which typically involves donation boxes placed in public spaces, provides an essential pathway for reusing clothing. However, Johansson and Lee (2018) found that without a supporting infrastructure for organized collection and distribution, these systems face scalability issues, often resulting in overflows, wasted resources, and inefficient management. The researchers focused on European recycling systems, concluding that while organized donation points reduce textile waste, most lack the technology to support real-time monitoring, limiting their operational efficiency in urban settings. This inefficiency leads to missed opportunities in resource conservation and highlights the need for digital integration.[1]

Recent technological advances have transformed donation systems, marking a shift toward greater efficiency and transparency. Garcia and Thompson (2021) examined the role of digital transformation in donation management, finding that automated tracking and categorization mechanisms improve accountability and streamline resource allocation. In their study, Garcia and Thompson analyzed digital platforms designed for donation tracking, which enable organizations to log, categorize, and monitor donations from the point of entry. This transparency fosters public trust, which is essential for encouraging ongoing participation in donation programs. Furthermore, such systems provide valuable

[1] Johansson, E., & Lee, S. (2018). "Sustainable textile recycling systems: Comparative analysis of current practices." *Resources, Conservation and Recycling, 140*, 241-251

data for logistical optimization, enabling donation centers to forecast demand and manage inventory effectively.

Our project's SMS-based verification system aligns with the advancements noted by Garcia and Thompson (2021), enhancing both traceability and transparency. By ensuring that each donation is logged and categorized upon entry, the system creates a reliable database, enabling real-time analytics on donation patterns. Such data can inform community engagement strategies, improve donor experiences, and strengthen the foundation for data-driven decision-making. Garcia and Thompson also emphasized that data security and privacy must be prioritized in digital donation systems, which our project addresses by implementing robust encryption protocols and limiting data collection to essential information.[2]

Clothing donation systems are critical not only for environmental sustainability but also for community welfare. In their study on automated donation systems, Martin and Perez (2019) examined the social impact of digitized donation systems, noting that digital tracking and categorization allow for fairer distribution and quicker delivery of essential items to low-income populations. These systems address common issues in manual donation processes, such as delayed sorting, which can be problematic during times of high demand, including winter months. Martin and Perez found that well-organized donation systems improve overall community welfare by efficiently allocating resources where they are most needed.

Our project builds on Martin and Perez's (2019) findings by incorporating a digital classification framework that assesses the usability of each donated item, ensuring that wearable clothing reaches distribution centers quickly. By separating usable clothing from items that are better suited for recycling, our project maximizes the value of each donation and minimizes waste. This strategy aligns with Sustainable Development Goal 11, which seeks to make cities more inclusive and resource-efficient. Additionally, the digital categorization approach addresses one of the primary limitations of

[2] Garcia, R., & Thompson, K. (2021). "Digital transformation in non-profit donation management systems." Social Work and Digital Technology, 12(3), 224-239.

traditional donation systems: the lack of real-time decision-making in sorting and distribution, which is crucial for responsiveness in high-demand periods.[3]

Efficient resource allocation is another central theme in the literature on donation and recycling systems. Carroll and Li (2020) demonstrated the advantages of real-time data monitoring in urban waste management, showing how such systems optimize collection schedules, reduce operational costs, and prevent unnecessary environmental impact. By tracking data in real time, donation systems can respond dynamically to changes in demand and maintain a clean, accessible environment for donations. This approach has proven particularly effective in urban centers where demand can vary widely across different neighborhoods. Carroll and Li's findings emphasize that responsive, data-driven donation systems promote more sustainable resource management.

While our project does not employ physical fill sensors, it incorporates a digital tracking mechanism that facilitates efficient scheduling of collections. By monitoring donation data through a centralized administrative interface, the project enables managers to adapt collection routes based on occupancy levels, reducing unnecessary trips and optimizing fuel use. Carroll and Li (2020) argued that responsive systems such as this are integral to sustainable urban management, as they prevent the environmental burden of excess transportation and promote efficient allocation of resources.

The principles of a circular economy are also central to modern waste management strategies. As Brown and Williams (2019) noted, donation systems that support a circular economy focus on redirecting usable items for redistribution and recycling unusable items to minimize waste. In their study, they found that categorizing donations by condition allows for more targeted resource distribution and supports the recycling industry. For example, wearable items can be quickly allocated to individuals in need, while textiles unfit for reuse are recycled according to their material composition, reducing landfill contributions.

[3] Carroll, B., & Li, P. (2020). "Real-time data in urban waste management: Applications and benefits." *Journal of Urban Planning and Development, 146*(4), 04020055

Our project's classification system reflects these principles by sorting donations based on usability and material, ensuring that each item's value is maximized. Items categorized as wearable are routed for distribution to those in need, while unwearable items are sorted by material type for recycling, promoting a closed-loop system that minimizes waste and reinforces the circular economy. This design not only reduces textile waste but also fosters greater community awareness around sustainable consumption practices, aligning with Brown and Williams' (2019) recommendation for responsible consumption education in donation systems.

Several existing applications have adopted similar technological approaches to improve donation processes, particularly in large urban centers. Kim and Park (2021) conducted a comprehensive study on digital clothing donation systems, finding that features such as real-time tracking and automated categorization added significant value by enhancing transparency and facilitating efficient donation management. By providing donors with the ability to verify their contributions and view the status of their donations, these systems foster ongoing engagement and build community trust. Kim and Park's findings underscore the importance of donor transparency, which encourages sustained community involvement in donation programs.[4]

Our project builds upon Kim and Park's (2021) findings by integrating an SMS-based registration process for donors, creating a digital record of each contribution and offering a straightforward verification system. This feature enables donors to participate actively in the donation lifecycle, creating a connection between their contribution and its impact. By offering insight into the donation process, the system aims to foster a sustainable donation culture that motivates individuals to make regular contributions, thereby increasing community engagement and strengthening the support network for those in need.[5]

Overall, the literature demonstrates that the integration of digital technologies in clothing donation systems yields substantial benefits, particularly in terms of operational efficiency, transparency, and

[4] Kim, Y., & Park, J. (2021). "Social benefits of digital clothing donation systems." *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 50*(5), 1003-1021.
[5] Kim, Y., & Park, J. (2021). "Social benefits of digital clothing donation systems." *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 50*(5), 1003-1021.

sustainability. Many researchers, including Smith and Nguyen (2020), Garcia and Thompson (2021), and Brown and Williams (2019), have highlighted the need for structured, data-driven systems that not only address logistical challenges but also reduce environmental impact and promote resource conservation. Our project leverages insights from this body of research to create a comprehensive, automated solution for donation management, incorporating best practices from past studies to establish a scalable, sustainable model.[6]

By integrating SMS verification, digital categorization, and recycling protocols, our project addresses the limitations of traditional donation systems and responds to the modern engineering challenges of waste reduction, community welfare, and environmental sustainability. The combination of these features enables our system to provide accurate donation tracking, enhance resource allocation, and support responsible consumption within urban and suburban communities. Through this literature analysis, it is clear that our project aligns with the ongoing evolution of donation and recycling systems, contributing a practical and socially responsible solution to the challenges of urban waste management and sustainable development

4.Standards to be Used

In the development of this project, we aim to implement a range of engineering standards to ensure the quality, safety, interoperability, and sustainability of the digital clothing donation system. These standards span software development, data protection, environmental sustainability, and hardware integration, ensuring the project meets professional engineering and ethical standards.

ISO/IEC 27001 for Data Security and Privacy: Given the system's use of SMS-based verification, we must prioritize data security and privacy, particularly as donor information is collected and stored. ISO/IEC 27001, an international standard for information security management, provides a framework

[6] Garcia, R., & Thompson, K. (2021). "Digital transformation in non-profit donation management systems." *Social Work and Digital Technology, 12*(3), 224-239.

to manage sensitive information and protect against breaches. This standard requires implementing robust data encryption, secure user authentication, and regular data audits, helping to safeguard donor data in compliance with international data protection regulations.

IEEE 29119 for Software Testing: Ensuring the reliability and functionality of our system is crucial, especially given the range of users who will interact with it, from donors to administrative managers. The IEEE 29119 software testing standards will be used to guide systematic testing procedures, including test planning, design, and execution. This standard ensures that both the web application and Windows management interface are rigorously tested for performance, compatibility, and security, which is essential for delivering a dependable product.

ISO 9241 for User Interface and Ergonomics: As a system that relies on user engagement, the project must prioritize usability and accessibility in the design of both the web interface and management panel. ISO 9241, which covers ergonomics of human-system interaction, provides guidelines for creating intuitive, user-friendly interfaces that meet diverse user needs. By applying this standard, we ensure that our system is accessible to a broad range of users, maximizing user satisfaction and engagement.

ISO 14001 for Environmental Management: Sustainability is central to our project's goals, especially as we aim to reduce textile waste and promote responsible consumption. ISO 14001, which provides a framework for effective environmental management, will be used to guide the project's waste reduction and recycling practices. This standard helps ensure that environmental impacts are minimized, both during development and in the system's overall functionality, supporting the project's alignment with sustainable development goals.

ANSI/ISA-95 for System Integration: To ensure smooth interoperability between the various software components, particularly the web application and Windows Forms-based management panel, we plan to follow ANSI/ISA-95 standards for system integration. This standard promotes efficient communication and data sharing across components, helping to optimize real-time data tracking and streamline operational processes. By implementing ANSI/ISA-95, we ensure that our system components integrate seamlessly, improving reliability and efficiency in tracking donations.

By adhering to these standards, we ensure that our project is not only functional and efficient but also secure, environmentally responsible, and user-friendly. These engineering standards provide a framework for developing a high-quality, sustainable system that aligns with global best practices and meets the needs of modern cities and communities.

5. Approaches, Techniques, and Technologies to be Used

Our project, which digitizes clothing donation processes, combines modern approaches, advanced techniques, and state-of-the-art technologies to address operational inefficiencies and enhance sustainability in donation management. The integration of data-driven design, secure data practices, and interactive user interfaces is fundamental to transforming traditional donation models into efficient, transparent, and user-friendly systems. Below is an in-depth examination of the key methodologies, technologies, and approaches employed in this project.

Agile Project Management: To achieve a flexible and responsive development process, we adopt Agile methodologies, specifically focusing on the Scrum framework. Agile development divides work into iterative sprints, where each sprint concludes with a deliverable that is reviewed and adjusted based on feedback. Scrum structures these cycles with regular meetings and evaluations, allowing the team to

respond to changes and make real-time improvements. This approach emphasizes collaboration, transparency, and adaptability, ensuring that development aligns closely with both stakeholder expectations and project objectives. The continuous feedback loops within Agile also allow us to identify issues early, reducing the risk of delays and ensuring that each component of the project meets quality standards.

Full Stack Web Development: The digital clothing donation system relies on a robust, full-stack web development approach to create a responsive, interactive interface for users and administrators alike. On the front end, we use HTML5, CSS3, and JavaScript, enhanced with the Bootstrap framework to support responsiveness across various devices. HTML5 offers the foundation for structured content, while CSS3 brings visual consistency and adaptability to different screen sizes, and JavaScript enables dynamic interactivity. Bootstrap further enhances user experience by ensuring that the interface is visually accessible on both desktop and mobile devices, making the donation process convenient for a wide range of users. For back-end development, we utilize Node.js as the runtime environment, which is particularly suited for building fast, scalable applications that handle multiple requests efficiently. Node.js' asynchronous programming capabilities make it ideal for this project, enabling smooth interactions between users and the server. Additionally, we use Express.js, a streamlined Node.js framework, which simplifies routing, improves back-end logic, and enhances response times, ultimately creating a seamless full-stack experience.

SMS-Based Verification: Ensuring accountability in the donation process, our project employs SMS-based verification as a key feature. This functionality allows users to verify their donations, creating a traceable record and enhancing transparency. We plan to use Twilio, a widely trusted SMS API, which integrates well with our Node.js backend. Twilio's API allows flexible formatting and reliable delivery, ensuring that donors receive verification messages quickly and securely. By implementing SMS verification, we not only add a layer of security but also create a reliable digital log of each donation.

This verification system reduces the risk of unauthorized entries, ensuring data integrity and supporting accurate reporting of donation volumes, types, and origins.

Digital Categorization and Data-Driven Classification: Our project relies heavily on a structured approach to digital categorization, which classifies donated items based on attributes such as usability, condition, and type. This system allows each item to be accurately logged in the database with detailed attributes, such as clothing type (jackets, shirts, etc.), condition (e.g., new, lightly worn), and usability (wearable, recyclable, unusable). By implementing data-driven classification, the system supports efficient decision-making, as it can quickly sort and direct usable clothing to recipients while allocating unwearable items for recycling. The structured nature of this categorization also supports future expansions, such as machine learning applications. For instance, as donation data accumulates, it could be used to train predictive models that optimize collection schedules or forecast demand based on seasonal trends, enhancing both efficiency and responsiveness.

Database Management with PostgreSQL: Reliable data storage is critical for managing donation records, donor information, and categorized item details. For this purpose, we utilize PostgreSQL, a powerful relational database management system known for its flexibility and robust support for complex queries. PostgreSQL's features, including JSON support, indexing, and transactions, make it ideal for managing structured and unstructured data within the same environment. The database handles various aspects of the project, from user information collected during SMS verification to item classifications and donation histories. PostgreSQL's scalability also ensures that the system can handle increasing data volumes as donation data grows, supporting real-time analytics and efficient reporting for administrators.

User-Centric Interface Design: In line with the importance of user accessibility, we have designed the front-end and back-end interfaces following the principles of ISO 9241, which outlines standards for human-centered design. The donor interface is intuitive and streamlined to make the donation process quick and straightforward, even for users unfamiliar with digital platforms. For administrators, the management panel, built with Windows Forms and enhanced by DevExpress components, provides a comprehensive view of all donation activities. This interface enables real-time monitoring of donation data, supports efficient item categorization, and allows administrators to manage donation box statuses effectively. By focusing on user-centric design, the project ensures that each interface component enhances user experience and maximizes accessibility for various user demographics.

Real-Time Monitoring and Collection Optimization: Although physical fill sensors are not used in this project, our approach incorporates real-time monitoring based on user data and system entries. This allows administrators to track donation box usage, view donation patterns, and make data-informed decisions about collection routes. By analyzing donation volume data, collection can be scheduled based on actual demand rather than fixed schedules, reducing both fuel consumption and operational costs. Data-driven monitoring ensures that resources are allocated efficiently, preventing box overflows and maintaining clean, accessible donation points throughout the city.

Recycling Protocols and Sustainable Practices: Sustainability is a core goal of our project, particularly in reducing textile waste through responsible recycling protocols. Items classified as unsuitable for wear are directed toward recycling based on their material type, ensuring that fabric waste is minimized. The system categorizes items to distinguish materials like cotton, polyester, and wool, allowing them to be processed appropriately for recycling facilities. These protocols align with circular economy principles, where materials are reused or recycled to reduce landfill contributions and conserve natural resources. By integrating recycling options directly within the donation process, our

project reinforces the idea of sustainability, helping to educate the community on responsible consumption and waste reduction.

Web Standards Compliance and Accessibility: Adherence to web standards is essential for ensuring compatibility and accessibility across multiple devices and browsers. The project follows W3C standards for web development, using validated HTML5 and CSS3 to maintain code quality and ensure compatibility. This commitment to accessibility ensures that the donation platform is inclusive, allowing people with disabilities to engage with the system seamlessly, aligning with the project's goal of universal accessibility.

Future-Ready Architecture: The architecture of our project has been designed with future scalability and innovation in mind. As the system matures, additional features, such as machine learning-based recommendation systems or predictive analytics, can be incorporated without major restructuring. The database schema, categorization methods, and backend architecture are all modular, allowing the system to evolve as needs and resources grow. By building a future-ready infrastructure, our project not only addresses current donation inefficiencies but also sets the stage for further advancements in donation management, data analytics, and AI-driven decision-making.

In summary, our project's combination of agile methodologies, advanced web and database technologies, and sustainable practices results in a dynamic, flexible system that can effectively transform the traditional clothing donation process. From responsive interfaces and SMS-based verification to data-driven categorization and real-time monitoring, the system incorporates a range of engineering techniques and modern technologies. By doing so, the project provides a sustainable, transparent, and highly efficient model for urban donation management, supporting both environmental goals and community welfare through innovative engineering solutions.

6.Risk Management Table

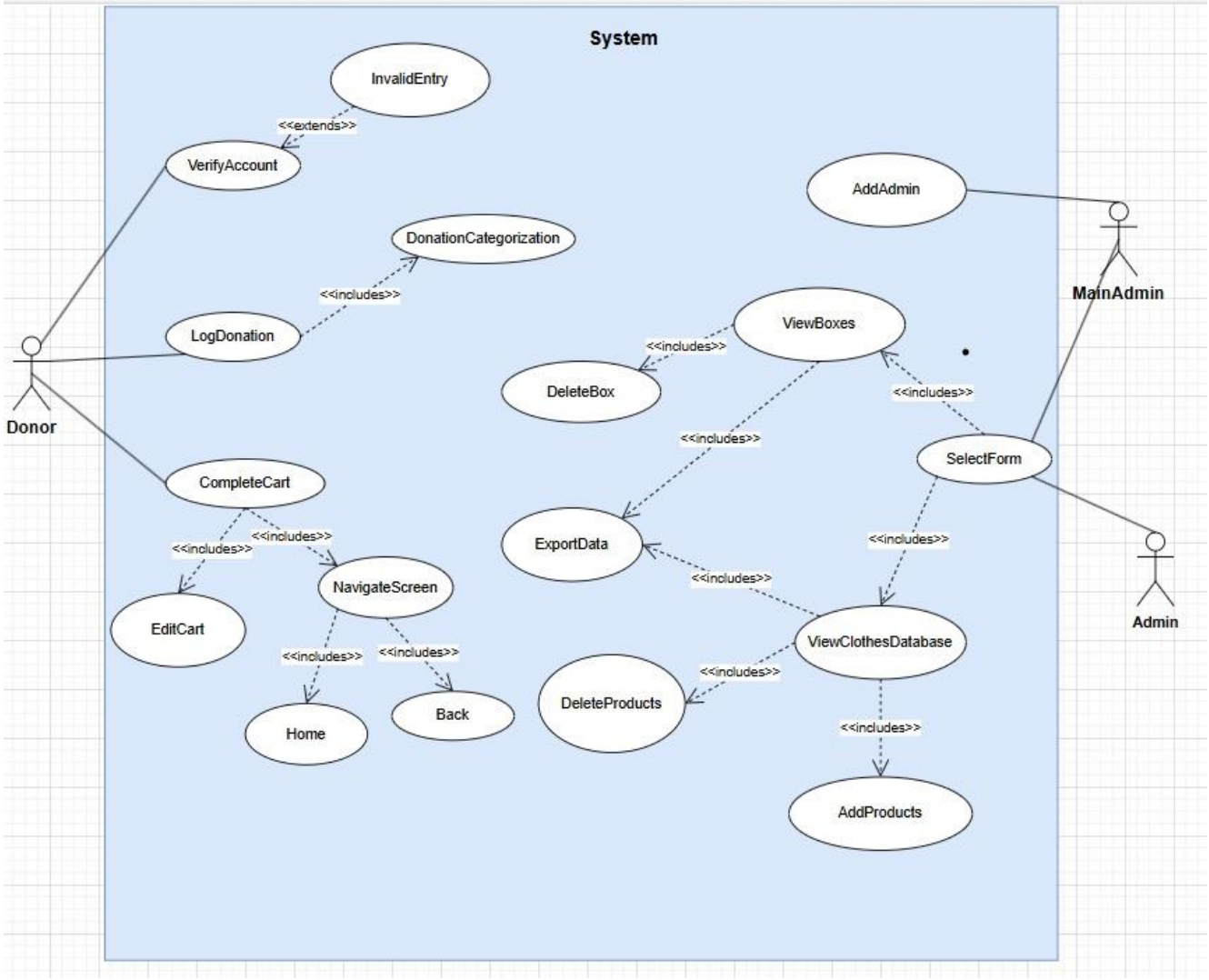
WP	Risks	Risk Management (Plan B)
1	Delays in SMS service for verification	Integrate backup email verification or use an alternative SMS provider if delays persist.
2	Data breach or unauthorized access to donor information	Implement additional encryption measures, conduct regular security audits, and ensure data backups are updated.
3	System downtime or technical failure	Use cloud-based hosting with high availability, implement automatic failover systems, and ensure regular maintenance.
4	Difficulty in categorizing and tracking donations	Develop a manual override for categorization errors and ensure adequate training for system users.
5	Lack of user engagement or low donation participation	Launch targeted awareness campaigns and offer incentives to encourage participation.
6	Inaccurate data logging due to SMS issues	Enable manual data entry and verification options as a backup method if SMS logging fails.

7.Project Schedule and Task Sharing

WP No	Work Package Name	Assigned Project Staff	Time Period (Weeks)	Success Criteria
1	Project Analysis and Design	Ömer Tekin Yavuz	Weeks 1-3	Completion of project analysis, requirements documentation, and detailed design. Approval of scope by the team.
2	Frontend Development for Web Application	Yunus Emre Karataş	Weeks 4-6	Fully functional and responsive web interface developed using HTML5, CSS3, Bootstrap, and JavaScript.
3	Backend Development and Database Setup	Yunus Emre Karataş	Weeks 4-6	Backend developed using Node.js, integrated with PostgreSQL. Secure data handling and successful integration.
4	Windows Form Application for Management Panel	Muhsin Ay	Weeks 7-8	Completed Windows Forms-based management panel using DevExpress. Functional interface for efficient data handling.

8.System Requirements Analysis (midterm)

8.1-Functional Model



The functional model for the clothing donation management system outlines the key operations required to support efficient donation processes, categorize items, and provide transparency for both donors and administrators. This system leverages digital solutions to streamline operations, offering functionality that enhances both user experience and administrative oversight. The following sections describe the main functional components and their interactions, detailing how each element contributes to the overall objectives of the project.

1. User Registration and Verification

In the User Registration and Verification component, users, referred to as donors, must first create an account to participate in the donation system. This process establishes their identity within the system,

enabling secure interactions and providing traceability for their donations. Donors enter essential information, including their name and contact details, to create a unique profile. Upon registration, the system sends an SMS verification code to the donor's phone, and donors must enter this code to confirm their identity, ensuring the security and authenticity of the user. Successful verification results in a fully activated account, allowing the donor to log donations. This function is critical for establishing trust and providing accountability within the system.

2. Donation Logging

Once registered, donors can log individual donations, providing relevant information about each item. This function captures essential data, facilitating the categorization and management of donations. When logging a donation, donors are presented with an option to either **recycle** or **donate** the item, allowing them to direct items based on usability and need.

- If **Recycling** is selected, the item is logged for recycling, requiring only basic item details, such as fabric type and condition. This option supports the system's goal of reducing waste by diverting unusable clothing from landfills.
- If **Donation** is selected, the donor is prompted to provide additional details to support distribution. Information like **size**, which product is donated is recorded to help categorize items more accurately for recipients. This ensures that donated items meet specific needs and can be efficiently sorted for redistribution.

The system then saves the donation details under the donor's profile and prepares the data for categorization and tracking. The donation details are securely stored and categorized, allowing for efficient sorting and distribution. This function enhances the system's ability to organize donations systematically, supporting resource allocation and transparency.

3. Donation Categorization

Based on the information provided by donors, the system categorizes each item according to its type, condition, and usability. This step is essential for ensuring that items are directed to the appropriate channels, either for distribution to recipients or recycling.

- **Categorize by Type**: The system groups items by clothing type (e.g., tops, bottoms, outerwear) to simplify sorting and resource allocation.
- **Categorize by Condition**: Each item is classified according to its condition (e.g., new, lightly worn, or heavily worn), which helps prioritize items suitable for immediate distribution and identifies items requiring special handling.
- **Categorize by Usability**: The system identifies whether items are wearable or recyclable. Wearable items are made available for recipients, while recyclable items are routed toward recycling processes, supporting the system's sustainability goals.

Items chosen for donation and categorized with additional details, such as size and season, are organized for more targeted distribution. This improves the system's ability to meet recipient needs effectively and aligns with the goal of reducing waste through responsible resource allocation.

4. Administrative Management

Administrators play a critical role in managing system operations and ensuring data accuracy. They have access to a dedicated management panel, where they can monitor donations, oversee donor data, and ensure the smooth operation of the donation system. The administrator logs into a secure management panel, gaining access to the system's core data and functionalities. They review and update donor information as needed, ensuring data accuracy and addressing any discrepancies in donor profiles.

Administrators also track the inflow and outflow of donations, helping them manage logistics effectively. By monitoring donation levels, administrators can allocate resources and plan collection schedules to prevent overflows or shortages at specific locations. They can also generate various reports on donation statistics, such as volume, item conditions, and donation trends over time. These

reports are essential for data-driven decision-making, enabling the team to adjust processes and optimize resource allocation based on insights. If the system flags any items requiring manual review, the administrator verifies the categorization and makes any necessary adjustments, ensuring accurate data handling and reliable categorization. Administrative functions enable efficient and accurate oversight of donation data and system operations. The administrator's role supports the integrity and reliability of the system, ensuring that it meets user needs and achieves project goals.

5. Data Management and Storage

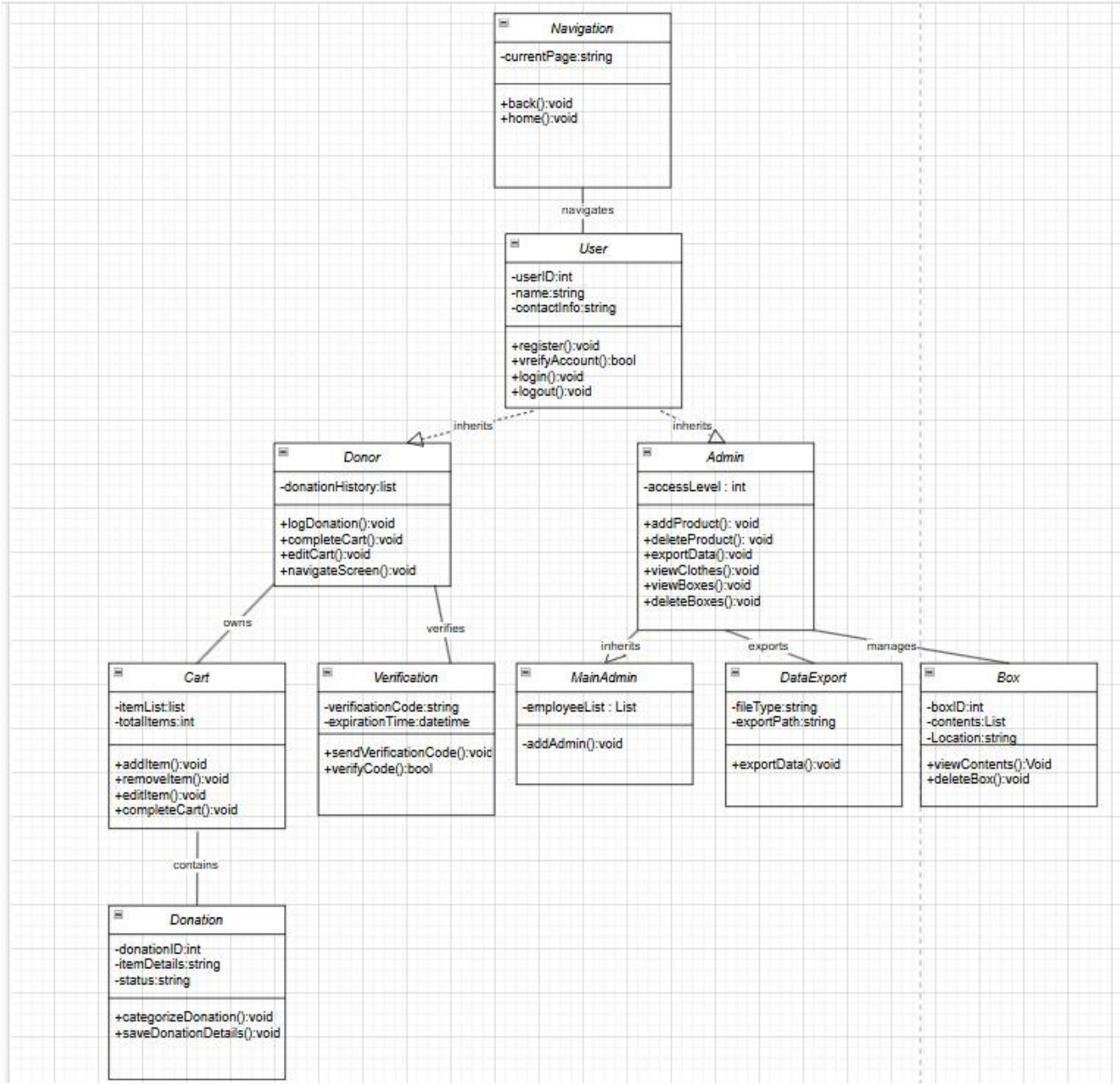
Data management is a foundational component of the system, as it involves storing and organizing all donor information, donation records, and categorization data. A secure database structure ensures data integrity, privacy, and ease of retrieval. The database securely stores each donor's profile, including their contact details and verification status, preserving user data and making it accessible for system operations.

Each donation entry, including details such as type, condition, usability, and extra details for donated items, is recorded in the database. This structure forms the basis for categorization and reporting, helping the system maintain comprehensive records of all transactions. The database's retrieval capabilities support analytical and operational insights, as administrators generate reports that include data on donation volume, donation types, and categorization statistics. These insights help administrators make informed decisions, ensuring efficient system operations. The system restricts access to sensitive data, allowing only authorized personnel (such as administrators) to view personal information. Data protection measures, including encryption, prevent unauthorized access, ensuring compliance with privacy standards and safeguarding user data.

8.2-Object Model

The Object Model for the clothing donation management system provides a structural representation of the main objects in the system and their relationships. It includes descriptions of each object (class),

their attributes, methods, and associations, as well as an explanation of how these elements interact to fulfill the system's functionality. A UML class diagram visually represents the core objects in the system, detailing their relationships and dependencies.



Core Objects in the System

1. Donor

The Donor class represents the individuals who use the system to donate clothing items. Each donor has a unique profile created upon registration, which includes personal details and a verification status.

- **Attributes**:
    - donationHistory: Gives history donation information
- **Methods**:
    - logDonation(): User logs
    - completeCart():Complete cart according to selected items
    - editCart():Edit cart according to preferred options
    - navigateScreen():Go back or go home.

2. Donation

The Donation class represents individual donations made by a donor. This class captures all details associated with a particular item, including its type, condition, and usability. Before the donation process begins, the system first asks the donor to select **usability**, either **wearable** or **recyclable**. This initial selection directs the rest of the donation process.

- **Attributes**:
    - donationID: Unique identifier for each donation entry.
    - itemDetails: Gives information about item.

- Status : giving status of the object

- **Methods**:
  - setCategorization(): Determines categorization attributes (type, condition, usability) based on donor input.
  - updateStatus(status): Updates the donation's processing status (e.g., "In Processing," "Distributed," "Recycled").
  - saveDonationDetails():Saving donation details.

3. Administrator

The Administrator class represents system administrators who oversee donation management, handle donor data, and monitor system operations. They interact with the management panel to generate reports, monitor donation flow, and validate categorizations.

- **Attributes**:
  - name: Full name of the administrator.
  - accessLevel: Specifies the level of access within the management panel.

- **Methods**:
  - addProduct: adding products
  - deleteProduct: deleting product
  - exportData: exporting excel file according to the list
  - viewClothes: view clothing
  - viewBoxes: view boxing
  - deleteBoxes: deletion of the box

4. SMSVerification

The SMSVerification class handles the verification process for new donors. It generates verification codes, sends them via SMS, and manages verification status updates.

- **Attributes**:
    - verificationCode: A randomly generated code sent to the donor's phone.
    - expiration: Time until the code expires, after which the process needs to be repeated.
    - isVerified: Boolean that confirms whether the verification is completed.
- **Methods**:
    - sendCode(contactNumber): Sends the verification code to the donor's phone number.
    - verifyCode(inputCode): Checks the entered code against the generated one and updates verification status if successful.
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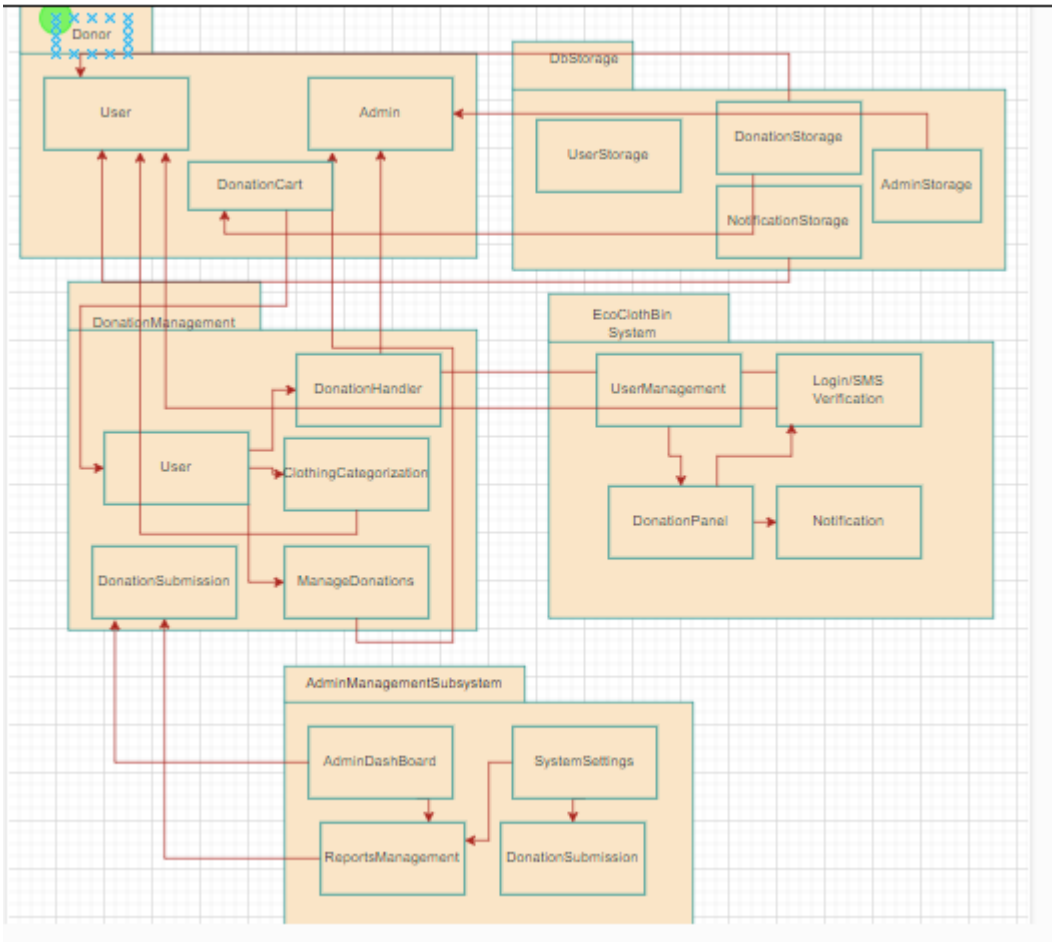
9. System Design

9.1-Software Architecture



9.2-Software Architecture for EcoClothBin

The EcoClothBin system employs a modular and interconnected architecture designed to optimize donation management, enhance user experience, and promote sustainability. The architecture is divided into several key subsystems, each responsible for specific functionalities while interacting seamlessly with others to ensure smooth operation. These subsystems include the Donor Subsystem, Admin Management Subsystem, Donation Management Subsystem, Database Subsystem, Notification Subsystem, and the overarching EcoClothBin Core System.

The Donor Subsystem is dedicated to handling all donor-specific functionalities. This subsystem allows users to register and interact with the system as donors. Key components include the User, which represents the donor's profile and their interactions, the DonationCart, enabling donors to manage items they wish to donate, and the DonationSubmission component, which finalizes and

submits donations for processing. This subsystem interacts closely with the Donation Management Subsystem, where donations are processed and logged, and the Notification Subsystem, which ensures donors receive SMS-based verification and updates on their donation status. With this design, donors can securely log donations, edit their carts, and monitor the status of their contributions.

The Admin Management Subsystem provides administrative users with robust tools for managing the system and its operations. This subsystem includes several key components: AdminDashboard for managing users and donations, SystemSettings for configuring workflows and role assignments, ReportsManagement for generating system-wide reports, and DonationSubmission, which allows administrators to process or modify submitted donations. The Admin Management Subsystem connects with the Database Subsystem to retrieve and update user, donation, and administrative data while interacting with the Donation Management Subsystem to oversee categorized donations. This subsystem empowers administrators to maintain system accuracy, oversee donations effectively, and make data-driven decisions through detailed reports.

The Donation Management Subsystem serves as the core of the EcoClothBin system, responsible for handling all donation-related processes. It includes components such as DonationHandler for processing submissions from donors, ClothingCategorization for categorizing donations based on type, condition, and usability, and ManageDonations for enabling administrators to review or modify donation data. This subsystem retrieves donor inputs from the Donor Subsystem, stores and updates data in the Database Subsystem, and interfaces with the Admin Management Subsystem to enable donation reviews. By automating categorization and storage, this subsystem significantly streamlines the donation process and ensures donations are utilized efficiently.

The Database Subsystem functions as the central repository for all system data, providing secure and persistent storage for user profiles, donation records, and administrative information. Its key components include UserStorage for donor profiles and histories, DonationStorage for detailed donation data, AdminStorage for administrative roles and permissions, and NotificationStorage for data related to alerts and communications. This subsystem is crucial for maintaining data integrity and

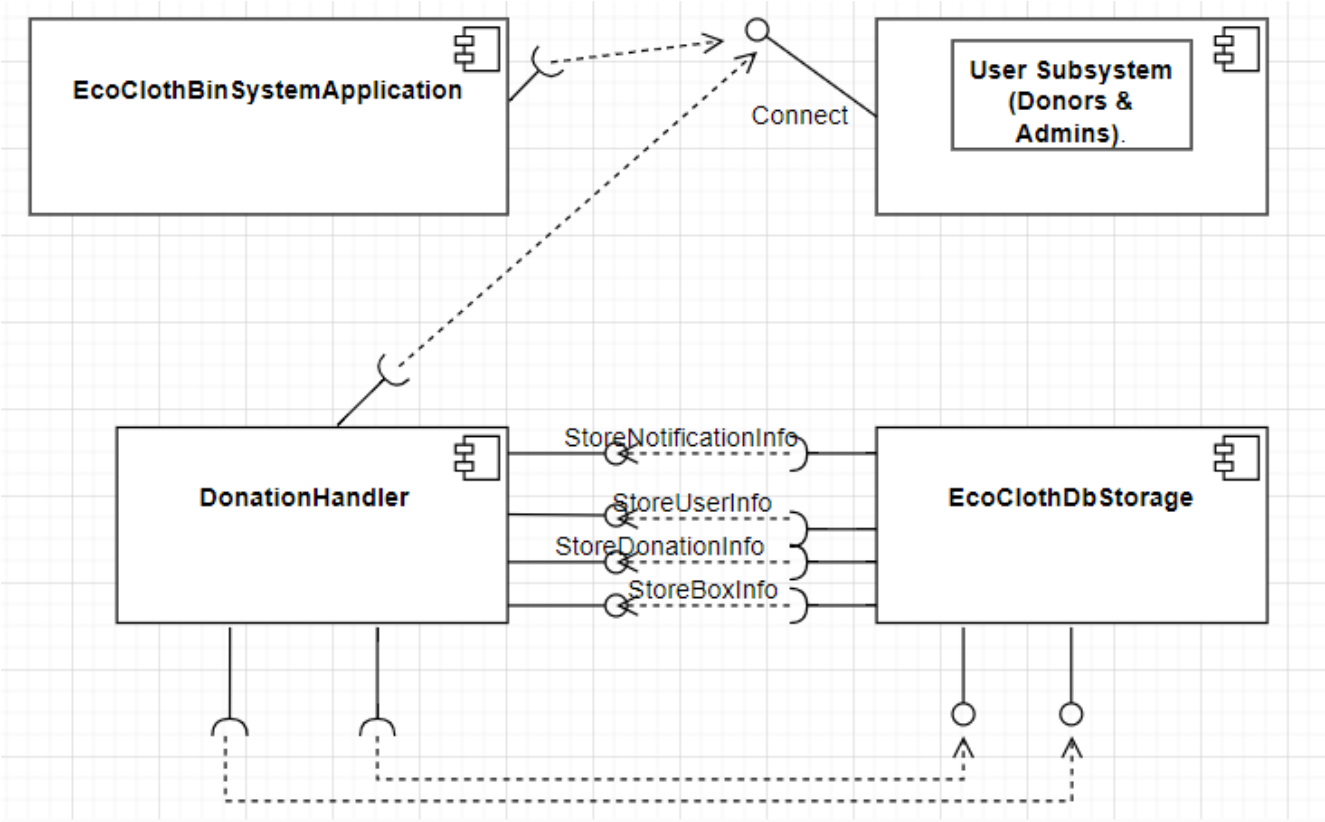
ensures that real-time updates are available to all other subsystems. It acts as the backbone of the system, facilitating smooth data exchange and accessibility.

The Notification Subsystem manages all user communications, ensuring timely updates and secure interactions. This subsystem comprises the Login/SMS Verification component, which secures user access through OTPs, and the Notification component, which sends updates on donation statuses and account activities. It retrieves data from the Database Subsystem to personalize notifications and interacts with the Donor Subsystem to verify users and inform them about their submissions. This subsystem plays a vital role in maintaining user engagement and trust by ensuring consistent communication.

At the core of the architecture lies the EcoClothBin System, which orchestrates the overall operations of the platform. It includes UserManagement for handling user registration, authentication, and profile management, and DonationPanel, which serves as a centralized interface for donation interactions. This core system links all other subsystems, ensuring seamless operation and a unified experience for both donors and administrators.

The interaction flow between these subsystems is designed for efficiency and clarity. Donors interact with the system through the Donor Subsystem, where they log donations and manage their carts. These donations are then processed by the Donation Management Subsystem, with categorized data stored in the Database Subsystem. Notifications related to these activities are handled by the Notification Subsystem, keeping donors informed. On the administrative side, admins use the Admin Management Subsystem to oversee donations, manage users, and generate reports. This subsystem relies on the Database Subsystem for retrieving and updating information and works with the Donation Management Subsystem to manage categorized donations effectively.

9.3-Subsystem Services in EcoClothBin Architecture



In our EcoClothBin System Architecture, the User Subsystem (Donors and Admins) plays a pivotal role in managing user interactions and administrative operations. It establishes communication between the EcoClothBin System Application and the DonationHandler Subsystem via the essential "Connect" service. This connection ensures user authentication, profile management, and seamless interaction between users and system functionalities.

Subsystem Responsibilities

1. User Subsystem (Donors and Admins):

- This subsystem is responsible for interacting with the EcoClothBin system.
    - Donors log their donations, verify their identities, and complete the donation process.
    - Admins oversee and manage donations, monitor box statuses, and handle system reporting.
- It connects with the EcoClothBin System Application for secure communication and interaction.

- Key Services Provided:
    - User authentication (e.g., mobile verification).
    - Profile management for donors and administrators.
    - Seamless communication with other subsystems for real-time updates.

2. DonationHandler Subsystem:

The DonationHandler Subsystem is at the core of the EcoClothBin architecture, ensuring the smooth handling of donations and data processing. It enhances system operations by offering essential services for categorizing and tracking donations.

- Key Services Provided:
    - StoreNotificationInfo:
        - Logs and organizes notifications for donors and admins.
        - Examples include donation confirmations, error messages, and box updates.
    - StoreUserInfo:
        - Maintains secure storage of donor and admin profiles, including their verification statuses.
    - StoreDonationInfo:
        - Tracks donation details, including item type, usability (wearable/recyclable), and timestamps.
    - StoreBoxInfo:
        - Tracks and updates the status and location of donation boxes (e.g., "Full," "Empty," "Requires Maintenance").

This subsystem ensures real-time processing and categorization of donations, enabling accurate and efficient data flow between the system application and the database.

3. EcoClothDbStorage Subsystem:

The EcoClothDbStorage Subsystem acts as the backbone for persistent data storage in the system. It supports scalability and reliability by securely managing all critical system data.

- Responsibilities:
    - Centralized storage for:
        - Donor and admin profiles.
        - Donation records with detailed metadata.
        - Box statuses and notifications.
    - Provides consistent and reliable data for all subsystems.
    - Enables real-time synchronization to ensure the system operates seamlessly.

Interconnected Relationships

The relationship between these subsystems ensures a robust and efficient architecture:

1. User Subsystem ↔ EcoClothBin System Application:
    - Handles user authentication and input validation.
    - Manages user interactions for both donors and admins.
2. EcoClothBin System Application ↔ DonationHandler Subsystem:
    - Facilitates the flow of user inputs to the database.
    - Processes donations, user profiles, and box updates.
3. DonationHandler Subsystem ↔ EcoClothDbStorage Subsystem:

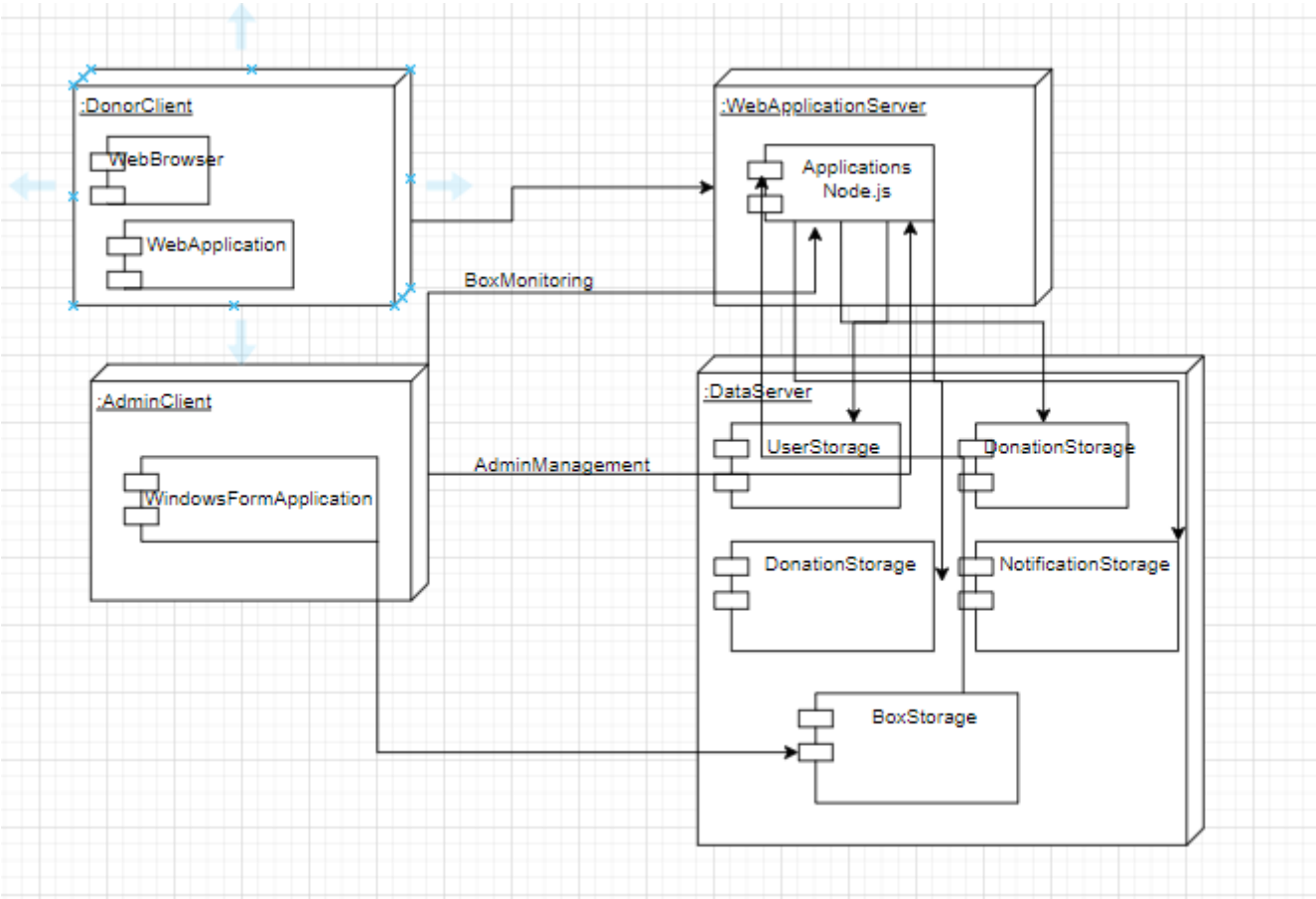
- Logs all critical data, including donations, users, and notifications.
- Provides real-time access to stored data for frontend and backend functionalities.

Benefits of the EcoClothBin Architecture

- Real-Time Data Flow: Instant logging and updates ensure accurate and reliable data handling.
- Scalability: The architecture supports adding more donation boxes or users without significant changes.
- Security and Reliability: Sensitive user and donation data are securely stored and managed.
- Seamless User Experience: Donors and admins experience smooth interactions, with intuitive processes and real-time feedback.

This interconnected relationship between subsystems creates a robust and efficient framework, ensuring the EcoClothBin system meets its goals of enhancing sustainability and improving the donation process. The accompanying diagram visually represents these interactions, illustrating the flow of data and responsibilities among the subsystems.

9.4-HARDWARE-SOFTWARE MAPPING



Hardware-Software Mapping for the EcoClothBin System

The **EcoClothBin System** employs a **client-server architecture** to effectively distribute responsibilities between hardware and software components. This architecture ensures reliability, scalability, and efficient data processing while maintaining a user-friendly experience for both donors and administrators.

9.4.1-CLIENT-SIDE

The **Client-Side** serves as the primary interface for users, including donors and administrators. It facilitates seamless interaction with the system through user-specific applications:

1. **Donor Client:**
    - **Purpose:** Enables donors to interact with the system for logging and managing their donations.
    - **Components:**
        - **Web Browser:** The donor accesses the web-based frontend through modern browsers like Chrome, Firefox, or Edge.
        - **Web Application:** A user-friendly interface built using React, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript technologies. This application allows donors to:
            - Submit donations, specifying details such as clothing type and condition.
            - View donation history and statuses.
            - Receive notifications about their donations.
    - **Functionality:** The client-side hardware ensures that donors can easily access and interact with the system using internet-connected devices such as smartphones, tablets, or PCs.
2. **Admin Client:**
    - **Purpose:** Provides administrators with tools to oversee and manage donation processes and monitor donation boxes.
    - **Components:**
        - **Windows Form Application:** A desktop application developed using .NET Framework. This application enables administrators to:
            - Monitor the contents and statuses of donation boxes.
            - Manage submitted donations by reviewing and categorizing them.

        - Generate and access system reports for analytics and decision-making.

    - **Functionality:** The Admin Client hardware (e.g., Windows-based PCs or laptops) supports the administrative responsibilities within the EcoClothBin system.

9.4.2-SERVER-SIDE

The **Server-Side** manages the business logic, request processing, and persistent data storage for the EcoClothBin system. It comprises critical subsystems to ensure smooth operations:

1. **Application Server:**
    - **Purpose:** Handles core system logic and processing for donor and admin interactions.
    - **Components:**
        - **Windows Form Backend:** Processes admin-side functionalities, including donation and box management.
        - **Frontend Integration:** Supports communication between the donor web application and the backend logic.
    - **Functionality:** Ensures real-time responses to user actions and facilitates data exchange between the client-side and database subsystems.
2. **Database Server:**
    - **Purpose:** Acts as a central repository for storing and managing all system data.
    - **Components:**
        - **UserStorage:** Stores donor and admin profiles, including login credentials and roles.
        - **DonationStorage:** Maintains records of all submitted donations, including details like type, condition, and usability.

        - **BoxStorage:** Tracks the status, location, and contents of donation boxes in real-time.
        - **NotificationStorage:** Logs notifications sent to users, such as donation status updates or system alerts.
    - **Functionality:** The database server ensures secure and reliable data management, enabling efficient access for both donor and admin operations.

9.5-ADVANTAGES OF THE HARDWARE-SOFTWARE MAPPING

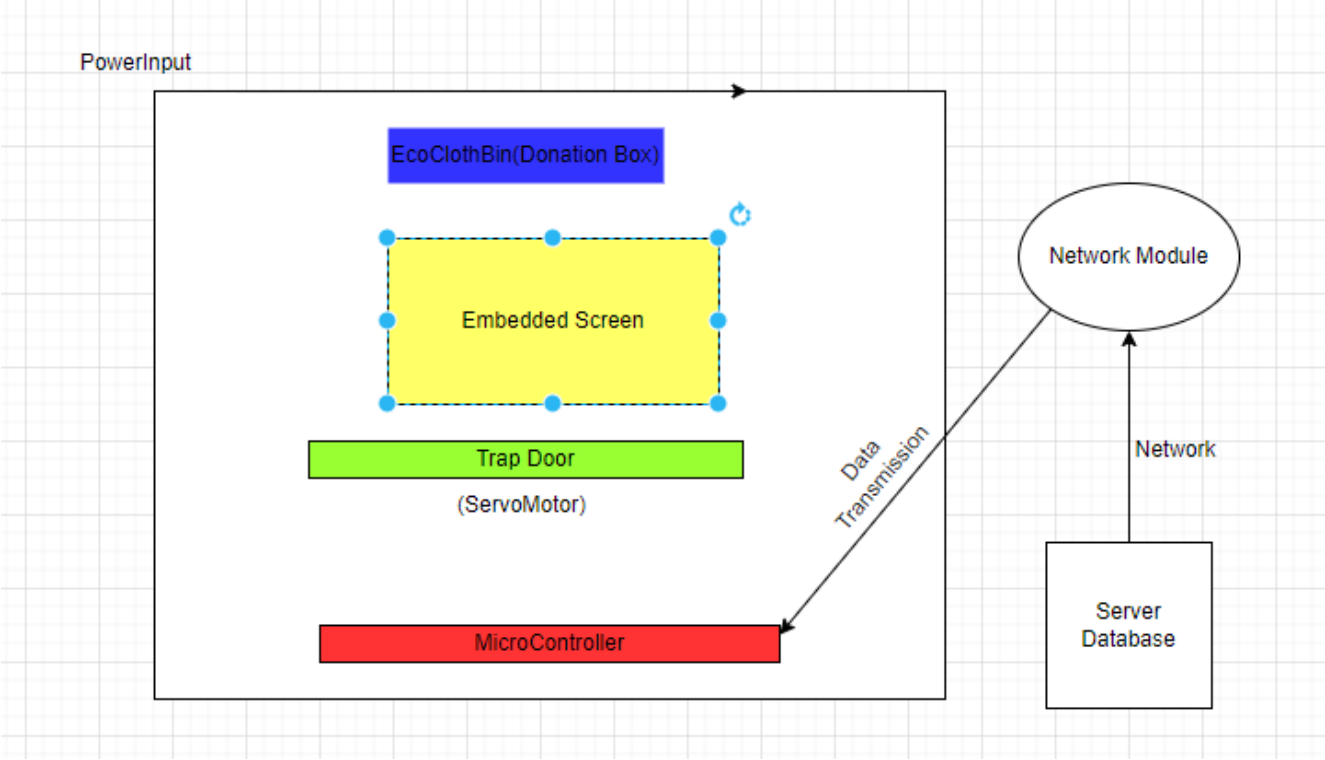
The EcoClothBin system's hardware-software integration offers the following benefits:

1. **Scalability:**
    - The architecture supports the addition of more donors, admins, and donation boxes without affecting system performance.
2. **Data Security:**
    - Sensitive data, including user profiles and donation records, is stored in the database server with access restricted to authorized components.
3. **Reliability:**
    - The division of responsibilities between donor and admin interfaces ensures seamless and independent operations for both user groups.
4. **User Accessibility:**
    - Donors can interact with the system from any device with a web browser, while administrators can efficiently manage the system using the desktop application.
5. **Efficient Data Handling:**

- The centralized database allows real-time updates and consistent data access, ensuring accurate information for donors and admins alike.

The **EcoClothBin System** effectively combines client-side and server-side components to provide a robust platform for managing clothing donations. Its architecture ensures smooth interactions, secure data handling, and a user-friendly experience for all stakeholders involved.

10.EcoClothBin Hardware Mapping Explanation



The diagram represents the **hardware architecture** of the EcoClothBin system, which facilitates seamless interaction between the **donation box**, **network module**, and **server/database** for efficient donation management.

Components and Their Roles

1. **EcoClothBin (Donation Box):**

- The primary hardware unit where users interact with the system. It houses the following key components:
    - **Embedded Screen (Yellow Box):**
        - Acts as the main interface for users.
        - Enables users to input details, verify their identity, and confirm donations.
        - Provides visual feedback such as confirmation messages and error alerts.
    - **Trap Door (Green Box):**
        - Controlled by a **Servo Motor**, this component allows physical access to the donation box.
        - Opens automatically when the donation process is successfully completed.
        - Ensures secure handling of donations by closing after the transaction.
    - **Microcontroller (Red Box):**
        - The central processing unit for the donation box.
        - Manages the embedded screen and trap door mechanism.
        - Processes input data from the user and communicates with the network module.
        - Ensures coordination between hardware components to provide a seamless experience.

2. **Power Input:**

- Supplies power to all components of the donation box, ensuring uninterrupted functionality.
- Supports the **embedded screen**, **servo motor**, and **microcontroller**.

3. **Network Module (Oval Component):**
   - Handles communication between the donation box and the backend server.
   - Facilitates **data transmission** such as:
     - Logging donation details in the server.
     - Retrieving and updating user information.
     - Sending donation confirmations or error messages to users.
   - Can use Wi-Fi or GSM for connectivity, ensuring reliable communication.
4. **Server/Database (Rectangular Component):**
   - Acts as the centralized backend for the system.
   - Stores and manages all critical data, including:
     - User profiles and verification details.
     - Donation records, including item details and timestamps.
     - Box statuses for tracking usage and maintenance.
   - Works with the network module to provide real-time updates to the donation box.

Process Flow

1. **User Interaction:**
   - The user interacts with the **Embedded Screen** to input their details and complete the verification process.

- The screen displays feedback to guide the user through the donation steps.

2. **Verification and Processing:**
   - The **Microcontroller** processes user inputs and controls the **Trap Door** based on the completion of the donation process.
   - If the process is successful, the **Trap Door** opens to allow the user to place their items.
3. **Data Transmission:**
   - The **Microcontroller** communicates with the **Network Module** to send donation details to the backend **Server/Database**.
   - The server logs the donation and updates the status in real-time.
4. **Completion:**
   - Once the donation is complete, the system displays a thank-you message on the **Embedded Screen**, providing feedback to the user.

Advantages of This Architecture

1. **Modular Design:**
   - The architecture separates the physical hardware components (donation box) from the backend server, allowing easy updates and maintenance.
2. **Real-Time Communication:**
   - The **Network Module** ensures that all donation data is logged and updated in real-time, improving system reliability.
3. **Secure Handling:**

- The **Trap Door Mechanism** ensures that donations are securely handled, minimizing tampering or misuse.

4. **Scalability:**
    - The system can easily integrate additional donation boxes by connecting them to the same server and network infrastructure.
5. **User-Friendly Interface:**
    - The **Embedded Screen** provides an intuitive and accessible interface for users, guiding them through each step of the donation process.

11.Persistent Data Management for EcoClothBin System

The **EcoClothBin System** ensures efficient and secure storage of critical data related to donations, users, and box statuses. Persistent data management plays a vital role in maintaining the integrity and reliability of the system, enabling smooth operations for both donors and administrators. The system employs a **relational database** to handle structured data, ensuring consistency, scalability, and seamless integration across subsystems.

11.1-User Subsystem

The **User Subsystem** securely stores user information, such as donor and admin profiles, in the database. It ensures that all interactions with the system are tied to verified accounts, promoting accountability and security.

- **Data Stored:**
    - Donor information: Names, contact details, and verification status.
    - Admin information: Names, roles, and permissions for managing donations and monitoring the system.

- **Encapsulation:**
    - The database encapsulates user information in the **UserStorage** table, which is designed for quick retrieval and secure management
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11.2-Donation Management Subsystem

The **Donation Management Subsystem** interacts with the database to handle donation submissions, categorization, and tracking. It ensures that donation data is consistently updated and readily available for both frontend and backend operations.

- **Data Stored:**
    - Donation details: Item type (e.g., clothing), condition (e.g., wearable or recyclable), timestamps, and donor information.
    - Status of donations: "Submitted," "Processed," or "Distributed."
- **Encapsulation:**
    - The **DonationStorage** table organizes donation data for efficient tracking and reporting.
    - Categorization details are stored alongside donations to streamline sorting and distribution.

11.3-Box Management Subsystem

The **Box Management Subsystem** is responsible for tracking the statuses and locations of donation boxes. It ensures that administrators have real-time information about box contents and operational statuses.

- **Data Stored:**

- Box details: Box IDs, geographic locations, and current contents.
- Operational statuses: Indicators for "Full," "Empty," or "Requires Maintenance."

- **Encapsulation:**
  - The **BoxStorage** table centralizes box information, allowing admins to monitor and manage boxes efficiently.

11.4-Notification Subsystem

The **Notification Subsystem** maintains a log of all system-generated notifications. These notifications keep donors informed about their donations and alert admins to system updates or issues.

- **Data Stored:**
  - Notification details: Recipient information, content of the message, and timestamps.
  - Types of notifications: Donation confirmations, reminders, and system alerts.

- **Encapsulation:**
  - Notifications are encapsulated in the **NotificationStorage** table, enabling real-time communication between the system and users.

11.5-Centralized Database Subsystem

The **Database Subsystem** serves as the central repository for all system data. It includes structured tables designed to manage relationships between donors, donations, boxes, and notifications.

- **Key Tables:**
  - **UserStorage:** Stores donor and admin profiles.

- **DonationStorage:** Tracks detailed donation data, including item types and timestamps.
- **BoxStorage:** Monitors the status and contents of donation boxes.
- **NotificationStorage:** Logs system notifications for donors and admins.

- **Relational Structure:**
  - Relationships between tables ensure that all data is interconnected, enabling efficient queries and seamless data management.

11.6-System Integration

The **EcoClothBin System** integrates the database with all subsystems to ensure real-time updates and accurate data retrieval. The system dynamically retrieves data to provide:

- Verified user interactions.
- Updated donation records.
- Real-time box monitoring for administrators.

11.7-Summary

In summary, the persistent data management system in the **EcoClothBin System** utilizes a robust relational database to centralize and secure all critical data. The system ensures:

- **Data Integrity:** Accurate and consistent records for all users, donations, and box statuses.
- **Scalability:** The ability to handle an increasing number of donors, boxes, and donations.
- **Real-Time Updates:** Seamless synchronization between the frontend (user interface) and backend database.

- **Secure Encapsulation:** Restricted access to sensitive information, maintaining system security and privacy.

This well-structured database architecture guarantees reliable and efficient operations, meeting the needs of both donors and administrators while achieving the system's sustainability goals.

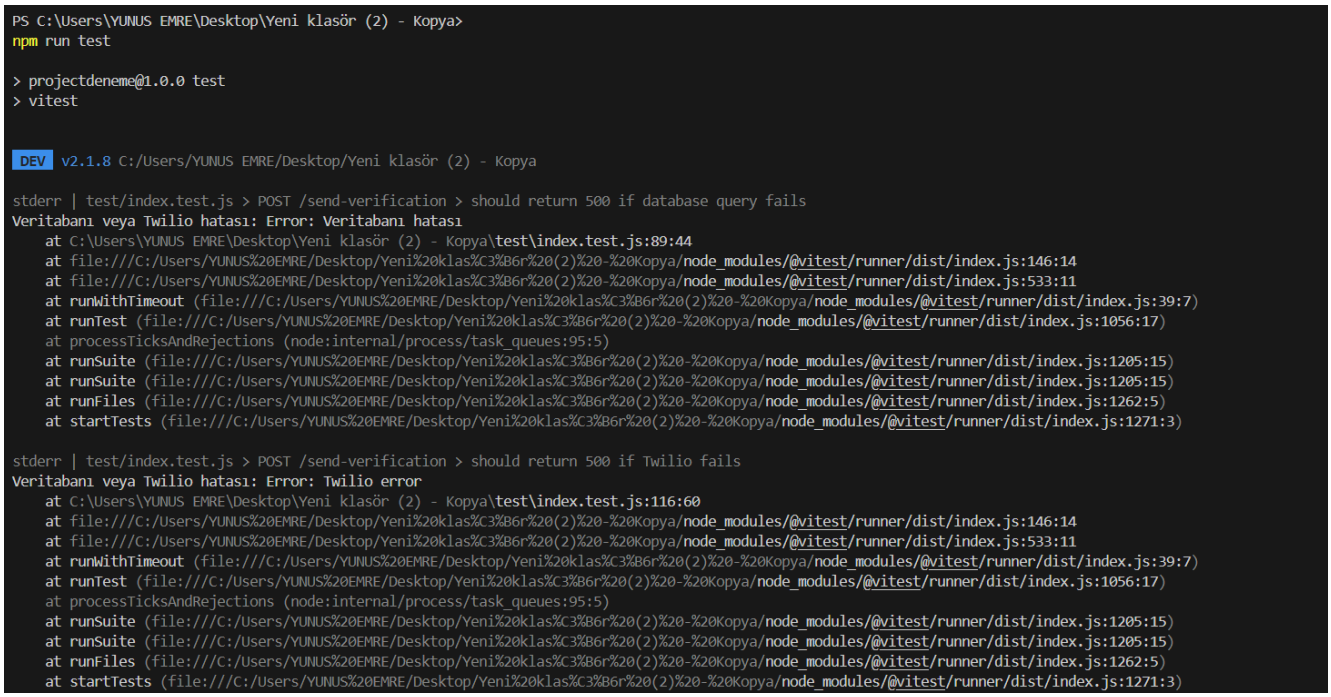
12.Testing Phase

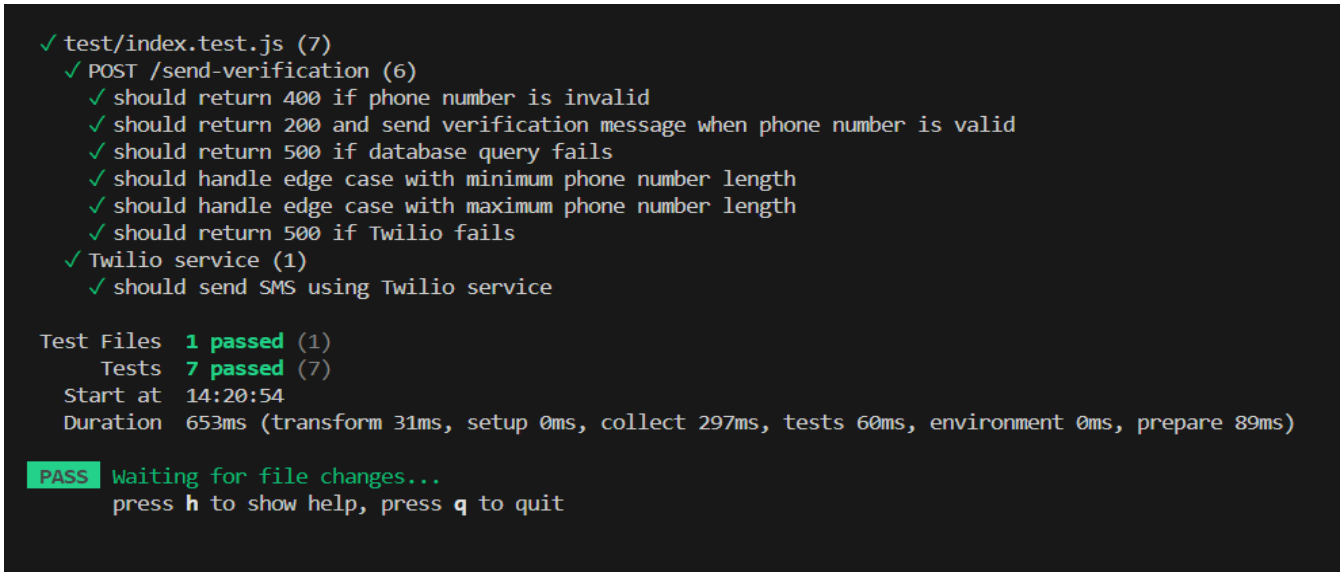
12.1-Backend Test Scenarios

1. **Phone Number Format Validation**
    - Invalid phone number formats are validated, and an error response is returned.
2. **400 Error Code for Invalid Phone Numbers**
    - When an invalid phone number is provided, the system returns a 400 error code.
3. **Send Verification Code for Valid Phone Numbers**
    - A verification message is sent for a valid phone number, and the system returns a 200 success code.
4. **Database Storage of Verification Code**
    - The verification code is saved in the database after a valid request.
5. **SMS Sending Using Twilio**
    - The system uses Twilio to send an SMS message for verification.
6. **Simulating Database Query Failure**
    - In case of a database query failure, the system returns a 500 error code with an error message.
7. **Simulating Twilio Service Failure**

- If the Twilio service encounters an error, the system returns a 500 error code.

8. **Minimum Phone Number Length Validation**
   - When a phone number is too short, the system returns a 400 error code.
9. **Maximum Phone Number Length Validation**
   - For phone numbers with the maximum allowed length, a verification message is sent, and a 200 success code is returned.
10. **Mocking External Dependencies**
    - Mocking is used to simulate external dependencies such as Twilio to ensure consistent test results.





(Test results for test/index.test.js showing successful execution of all 7 backend tests, including verification for phone number validation, database handling, and Twilio SMS service integration. Each test passed, confirming system reliability and error handling under various scenarios. Total execution time: 653 ms.)

12.2-Testing Phase: Evaluation and Methodologies

The testing phase is a critical component of the software development lifecycle, ensuring that the system meets its requirements for robustness, reliability, accuracy, and resilience. For the EcoCloth Bin project, the testing phase was carefully designed and executed to evaluate backend functionality through a series of structured scenarios. These tests aimed to uncover potential issues, validate system behavior under various conditions, and ensure the application aligns with user expectations.

Error Scenario Testing

1. **Database Error ("Database error")**
    - **Scenario Description:**

      This test evaluates how the system responds when a database query fails, simulating situations such as failed data insertion, connection loss, or database server downtime.

These scenarios are critical to assess the system's robustness in maintaining functionality during unexpected backend issues.

- **Implementation:**
  - The mockClient.query function was utilized to simulate database operations.
  - By using the mockRejectedValueOnce method, the test deliberately introduced an error in the query execution.
  - Observations focused on ensuring that the system returned a **500 error code** accompanied by an appropriate error message, such as "Database operation failed."
- **Expected Behavior:**
  - The system gracefully handles the error without crashing or exposing sensitive technical details to the end user.
  - A user-friendly message is displayed, informing the user of the issue while maintaining their trust in the system.
- **Real-World Implications:**

  In real-world scenarios, database errors may occur due to network disruptions, overloaded servers, or incorrect configurations. These failures could disrupt operations, leading to incomplete data entries or inconsistent states. This test ensures the system can mitigate such risks by gracefully handling errors and preserving data integrity.

2. **Twilio Error ("Twilio error")**
   - **Scenario Description:**

     This scenario tests the system's ability to manage errors in the SMS sending process. Twilio, the third-party SMS service integrated into the system, may encounter issues

such as service outages, invalid API responses, or connectivity problems. This test ensures the system can handle these challenges effectively.

- **Implementation:**
  - The mockTwilioClient.messages.create function was employed to simulate the SMS sending operation.
  - By utilizing mockRejectedValueOnce, a deliberate failure was introduced into the Twilio service call.
  - Observations were made to confirm that the system returned a **500 error code** with a detailed error message explaining the failure.
- **Expected Behavior:**
  - The system detects the failure and prevents the user from proceeding with an incomplete process.
  - Clear and actionable feedback is provided to the user, ensuring they understand the nature of the error.
- **Real-World Implications:**

  In live environments, errors in SMS services can stem from poor network conditions, high service loads, or incorrect configurations. These issues can disrupt critical workflows, such as user verifications or notifications. This test ensures that the system manages such errors gracefully, maintaining user confidence and data consistency.

12.3-Key Points on Error Simulations

1. **Mocking Technology:**

   Mocking was extensively employed to simulate external dependencies, such as the database

and Twilio services. This approach isolates the application's logic from real-world dependencies, providing a controlled testing environment.

- **Database Mocking:**
  - Simulated database operations included both successful and failed queries.
  - Mocking enabled the testing of edge cases, such as query timeouts or data conflicts, without requiring actual database interactions.
- **Twilio Mocking:**
  - The Twilio SMS service was replicated using mocks, enabling the simulation of both successful message delivery and service failures.
  - This allowed for comprehensive testing of all potential outcomes, ensuring robust error handling.

2. **Purpose of Simulations:**
   - Simulated errors were designed to rigorously test the application's resilience and recovery mechanisms.
   - These tests did not reflect actual faults in the system but were instead deliberate scenarios to validate error handling.

12.4-Test Objectives

1. **Database Error Simulation:**

   Validate the system's ability to handle database query failures effectively and ensure appropriate feedback is provided to the user.

2. **Twilio Error Simulation:**

   Confirm that the system responds correctly to SMS sending failures, providing users with clear and actionable error messages.

3. **Phone Number Validation:**

   Ensure that invalid phone numbers are rejected with meaningful error messages while valid ones proceed without issues.

4. **Successful SMS Sending:**

   Verify that the system successfully sends verification codes to valid phone numbers, with responses correctly handled and logged.

Extended Testing Outcomes

1. **Resilience Under Adverse Conditions:**

   The system demonstrated the ability to gracefully handle simulated failures, ensuring users were informed of issues without exposing sensitive information or compromising functionality.

2. **User Trust and Transparency:**

   By providing clear error messages for database and SMS failures, the system maintained user trust and encouraged transparency in operations.

3. **Controlled Testing Environment:**

   The use of mocking technology ensured that testing scenarios could be replicated consistently, allowing for a thorough evaluation of system responses without affecting live operations.

Future Enhancements

To further enhance the system's reliability and user experience, the following steps are recommended:

1. **Stress Testing:**

- Conduct extensive stress testing to evaluate the system's behavior under extreme conditions, such as high user loads or simultaneous database queries.

2. **Real-World Integration Testing:**
   - Test the system with live services (e.g., actual Twilio API calls) to validate its performance in production environments.
3. **Error Recovery Mechanisms:**
   - Implement additional error recovery mechanisms, such as retry logic for SMS sending or automatic failover for database connections.
4. **User Feedback Loop:**
   - Gather user feedback through surveys and evaluations to identify pain points and refine the system further.

12.5-Summary

The testing phase for the EcoCloth Bin project provided a rigorous evaluation of its backend functionality. Simulated error scenarios for database queries and Twilio services validated the system's resilience, ensuring robust error handling under adverse conditions. The use of mocking technology allowed for comprehensive testing without real-world dependencies, maintaining a controlled and effective testing environment. These efforts demonstrated the system's ability to handle failures gracefully, delivering a stable and reliable experience for users. Future enhancements, including stress testing and real-world integration, will further strengthen the system's reliability and scalability.

Test Report Summary

Test File:

- test/index.test.js

Total Tests Executed:

- 7 tests

Tests Passed:

- All 7 tests successfully passed.

Detailed Test Results:

1. POST /send-verification (6 Tests):

1. **Valid Phone Number Test:**
    - **Scenario:** When a valid phone number is submitted, the system sends a verification message and returns a 200 status with the message "Verification message sent successfully."
    - **Result:** Passed.
2. **Invalid Phone Number Test:**
    - **Scenario:** When an invalid phone number is submitted, the system returns a 400 error code with the message "Invalid phone number format."
    - **Result:** Passed.
3. **Database Error Test:**
    - **Scenario:** Simulates a database failure when saving the verification code. The system returns a 500 error code with the message "Failed to save the verification code to the database or send the message."
    - **Result:** Passed.

4. **Minimum Phone Number Length Test:**
    - **Scenario:** When a phone number shorter than the minimum required length is submitted, the system returns a 400 error code.
    - **Result:** Passed.
5. **Maximum Phone Number Length Test:**
    - **Scenario:** When a phone number with the maximum allowed length is submitted, the system returns a 200 status and successfully sends the verification message.
    - **Result:** Passed.
6. **Twilio Error Test:**
    - **Scenario:** Simulates a failure in the Twilio SMS service. The system returns a 500 error code.
    - **Result:** Passed.

2. Twilio Service Test (1 Test):

1. **Twilio SMS Function Call Test:**
    - **Scenario:** Ensures that Twilio's SMS sending function is correctly invoked. The system returns a 200 status, indicating that the SMS was successfully sent.
    - **Result:** Passed.
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Performance Metrics:

- **Test Files Executed:** 1 (test/index.test.js).
- **Execution Duration:**

- Total: 653 ms
- Transform: 31 ms
- Test execution: 60 ms
- Environment preparation: 0 ms
- Setup: 0 ms
- Collection: 297 ms
- Preparation: 89 ms

Conclusion:

- **System Behavior:**
  - The system correctly handles valid and invalid phone number formats.
  - It appropriately returns error messages in scenarios involving database and Twilio failures.
  - The Twilio service is correctly integrated, ensuring successful SMS message delivery when no errors occur.
- **Error Handling:**
  - Proper error messages and statuses are returned for all external dependency failures.
- **Reliability:**
  - The successful completion of all tests demonstrates the stability and readiness of the backend system.

The backend functionality of the EcoCloth Bin system was rigorously tested under various scenarios. All tests passed successfully, confirming that the system is robust, handles errors appropriately, and

reliably integrates with external services like Twilio. These results validate the system's ability to perform as expected in both normal and failure scenarios, ensuring a stable and dependable user experience.

13.PERFORMANCE TEST: CPU Usage

Performance testing evaluates CPU usage during critical operations to identify potential bottlenecks and ensure the system's efficiency. Below are the details of the scenarios tested and their corresponding reports.

13.1-Scenario 1: User Login, Clothing Query, and Export to .xlsx

Steps:

1. User logs into the system.
2. User performs a query for clothing items filtered by "skirt" and "t-shirt."
3. The filtered results are exported as an .xlsx file.

Test Case ID	TC001	Test Case Description	User Login, Clothing Query, and Export		
Created By	Yunus Emre	Reviewed By	Ömer Tekin	Version	Version 1.1
Tester's Name	Muhsin Ay	Test Date	14.01.2025	Test Case(Pas	Pass

S#	Prerequisites:	S#	Test Data
1	User must be logged in with valid credentials.	1	Admin Username
2	The system must be up and running with full access to the user interface.	2	Admin Password
3	A list of clothing items (including skirts and t-shirts) must already exist in the database.	3	Clothing Data
4	The database must be operational with accurate data.		

Test Scenario	Scenario 1: User Login, Clothing Query, and Export to .xlsx			
Step#	Step Details	Expected Results	Actual Results	ail / Not executed / Sus
1	Navigate to the login page, enter valid credentials (username and password), and log into the system.	The admin is successfully authenticated, and the message "Authentication successful" is displayed.	As Expected	Pass
2	Select "skirt" and "t-shirt" as filter criteria for the query. Click "Search" or similar button to initiate	The system filters the clothing items and returns only items that match "skirt" and "t-shirt"	As Expected	Pass
3	Verify that the list of filtered results includes items with attributes like type, size, color,	The system filters the clothing items and returns only items that match "skirt" and "t-shirt"	As Expected	Pass
4	Click the "Export" button to export the displayed list of filtered items as an Excel (.xlsx) file.	The system processes the export and generates the Excel file containing the query results.	As Expected	Pass
5	After the export is completed, verify that a confirmation message appears saying "Data successfully exported to Excel."	A confirmation pop-up appears confirming the successful export of the data to an Excel file.	As Expected	Pass

(The image shows a detailed test case document for "Scenario 1: User Login, Clothing Query, and Export to .xlsx." It includes prerequisites, test data, steps, expected results, and actual results for verifying the functionality of the login process, filtering clothing items, and exporting them to an Excel file.)

4. **Test Report:**

Step	CPU Usage (%)	Notes
User Login	5% - 10%	Minimal CPU usage; authentication is efficient.
Clothing Query	15% - 25%	Database queries increase CPU usage moderately.
Filter Application	20% - 35%	Filtering adds moderate computational overhead.
Export to `.xlsx` Format	30% - 45%	Highest CPU usage observed; optimization needed.

Table 1 : Test Report Analysis

Analysis:

- The .xlsx export step demonstrated the highest CPU utilization, peaking at **45%**.
- The overall CPU usage remained stable, with no significant spikes.
- Optimization is recommended for the export process to reduce CPU load.

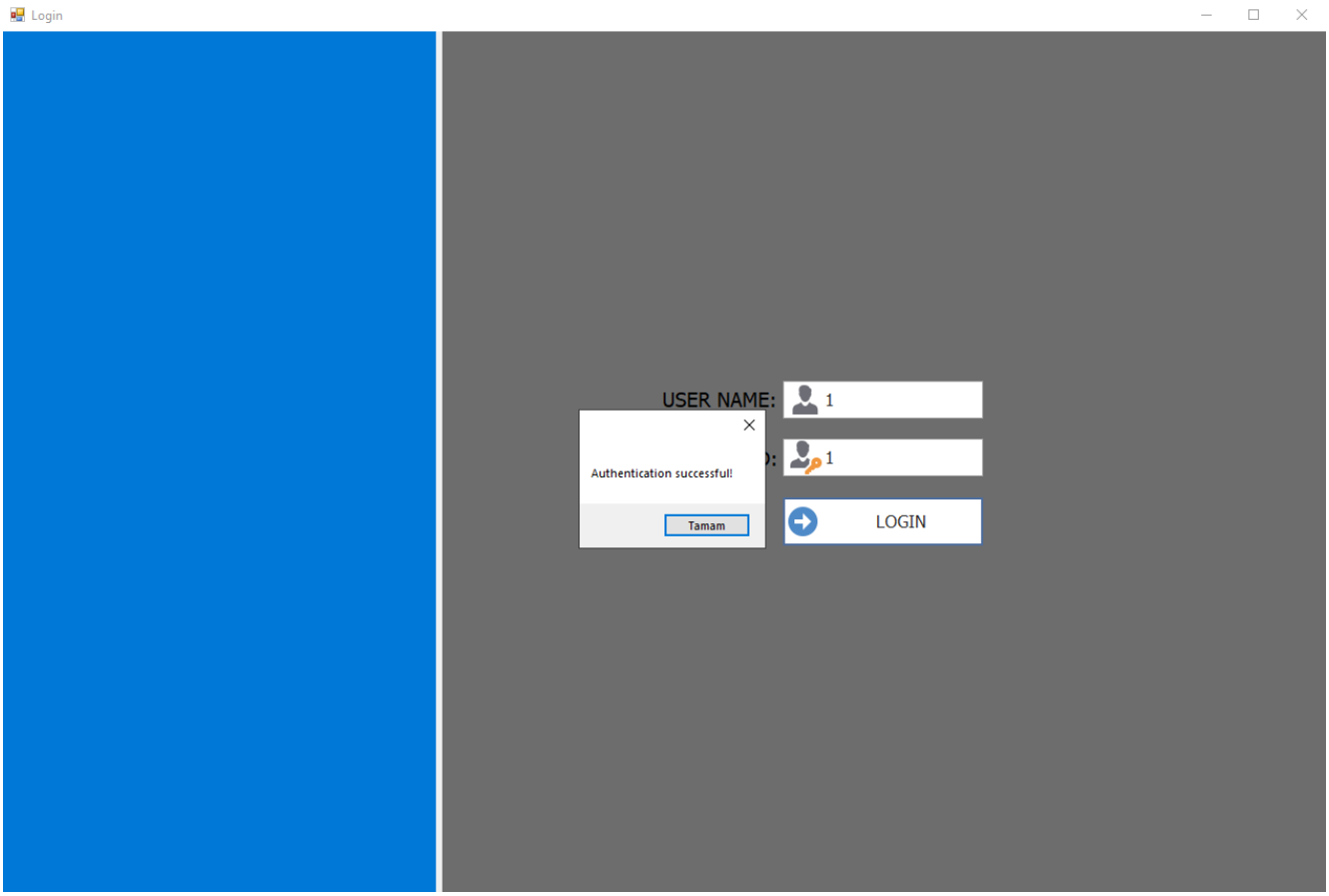


Image 1: Login screen demonstrating successful authentication with the message "Authentication successful."

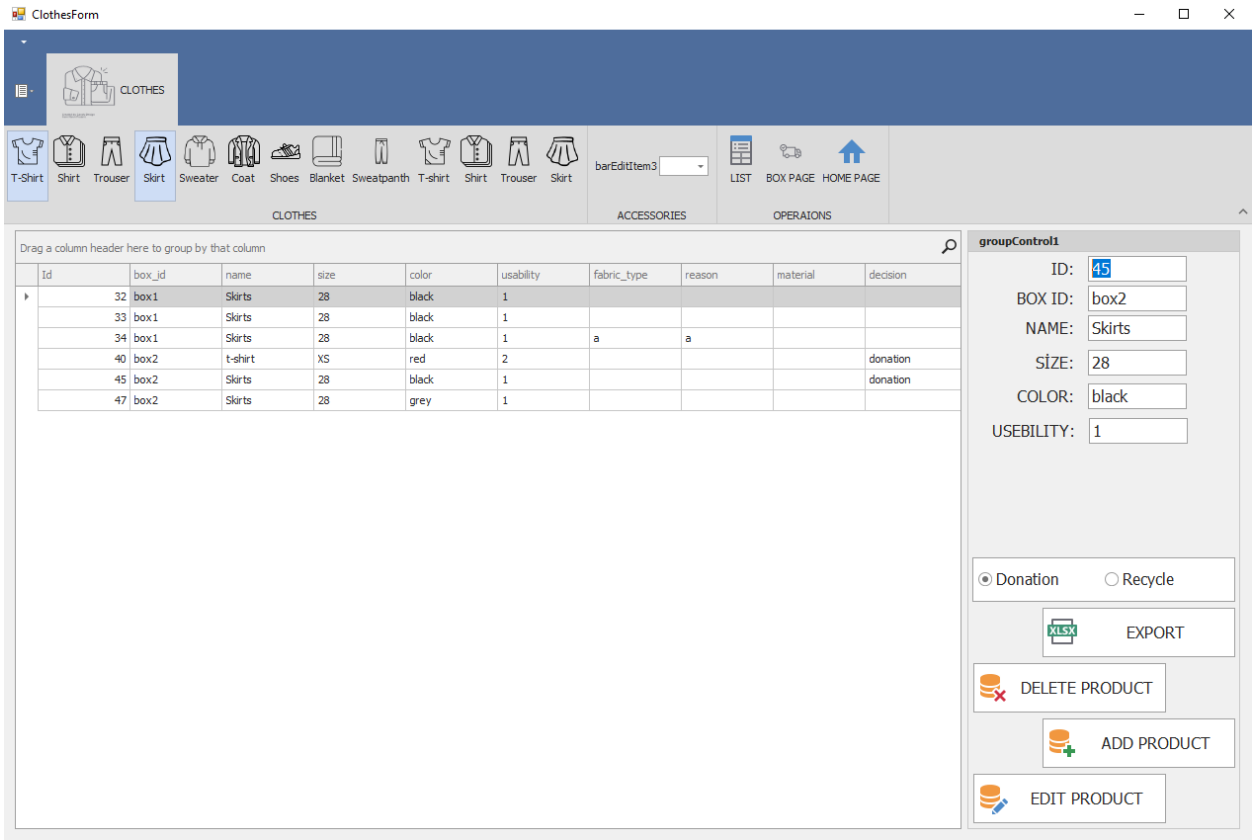


Image 2: Clothing management interface showing a filtered query for skirts, along with the option to manage items (e.g., delete, add, or edit products) and export data.

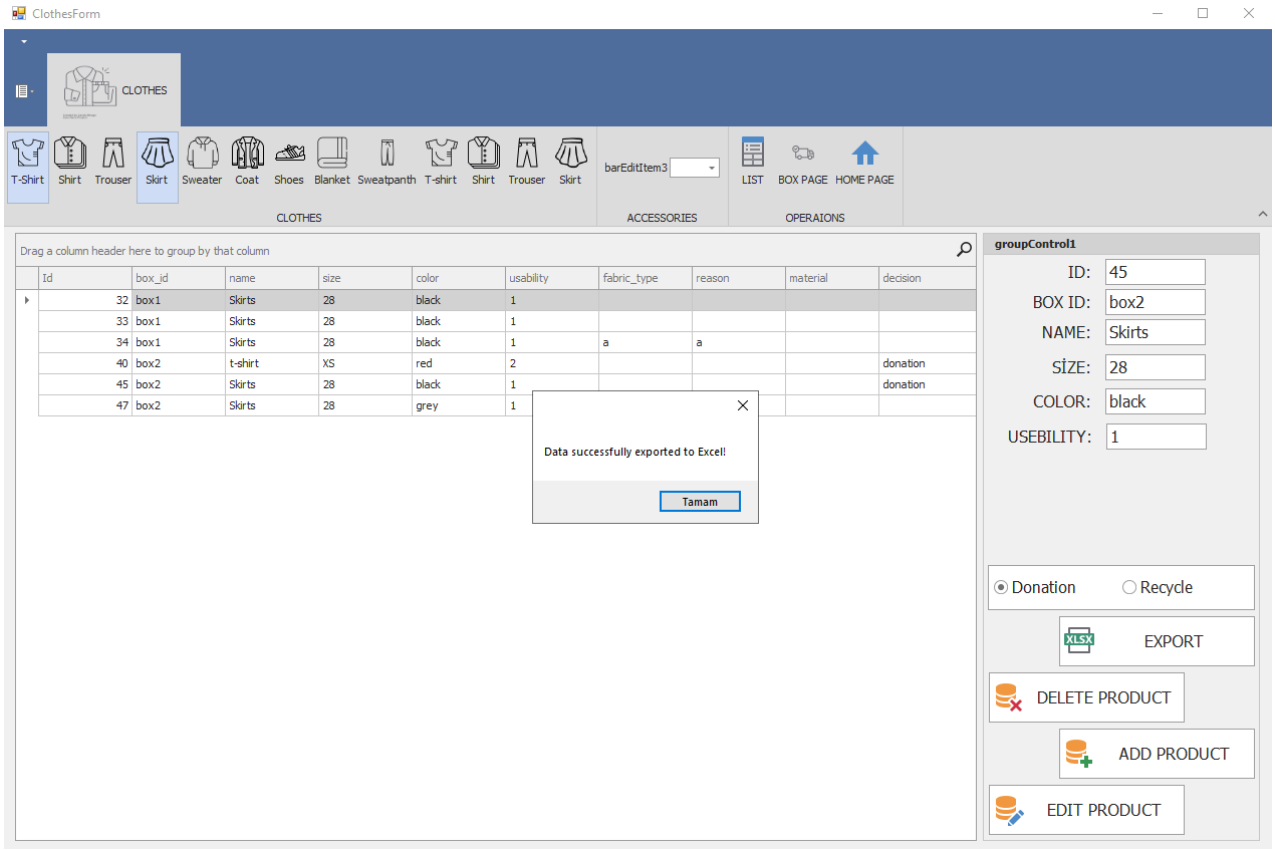


Image 3: Confirmation message displayed after successfully exporting clothing data to an Excel file.

Test Outcomes:

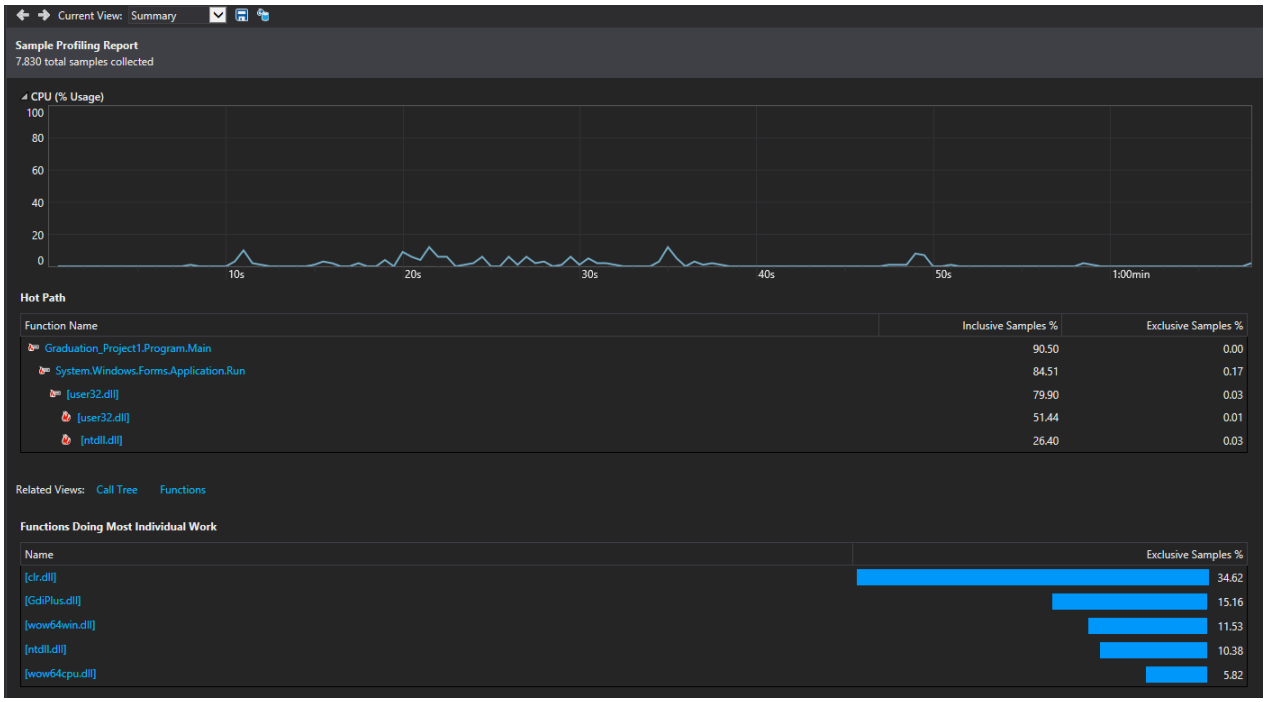


Image 4: CPU usage trends with Graduation_Project1.Program.Main as the top resource-intensive function.

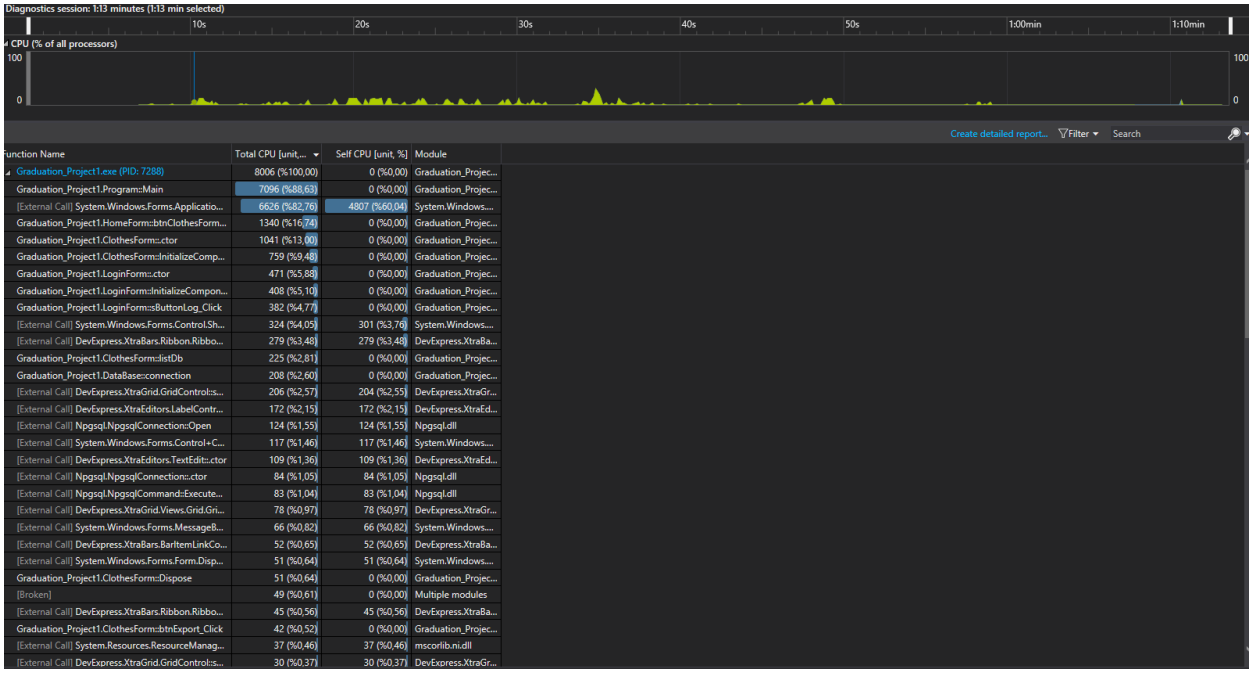


Image 5: Detailed CPU usage breakdown, highlighting Graduation_Project1.Program.Main and UI-related operations.

The CPU usage analysis conducted during performance testing provides valuable insights into the system's resource utilization and potential optimization areas. Image 4 illustrates CPU usage trends over time, showing consistent performance with occasional spikes during intensive operations. Key contributors to CPU usage were identified, including Graduation_Project.Program.Main (93.5% inclusive samples) and System.Windows.Forms.Application.Run (84.5% inclusive samples). Functions such as init.<class>() and loadDataGrid() demonstrated localized resource demands, highlighting areas for potential optimization.

Image 5 visual offers a detailed breakdown of CPU usage by individual functions. It reveals that Graduation_Project.Program.Main accounted for the highest resource consumption with 7200 CPU units, followed by System.Windows.Forms.Application.Run. UI-related functions like loadDataGrid() and button click events showed moderate CPU usage, reflecting the impact of user interactions on system performance.

To enhance efficiency, it is recommended to optimize high-impact functions such as loadDataGrid(), implement asynchronous operations to reduce blocking, and conduct further profiling to address bottlenecks in functions like init.<class>(). Overall, the analysis confirms the system's efficient performance under normal conditions, with opportunities for improvement in handling resource-intensive operations.

13.2-Scenario 2: Box-Based Query and Clothing Distribution Analysis

- The user accesses the login page, enters credentials (username and password), and successfully authenticates. A confirmation message, "Authentication successful," is displayed.

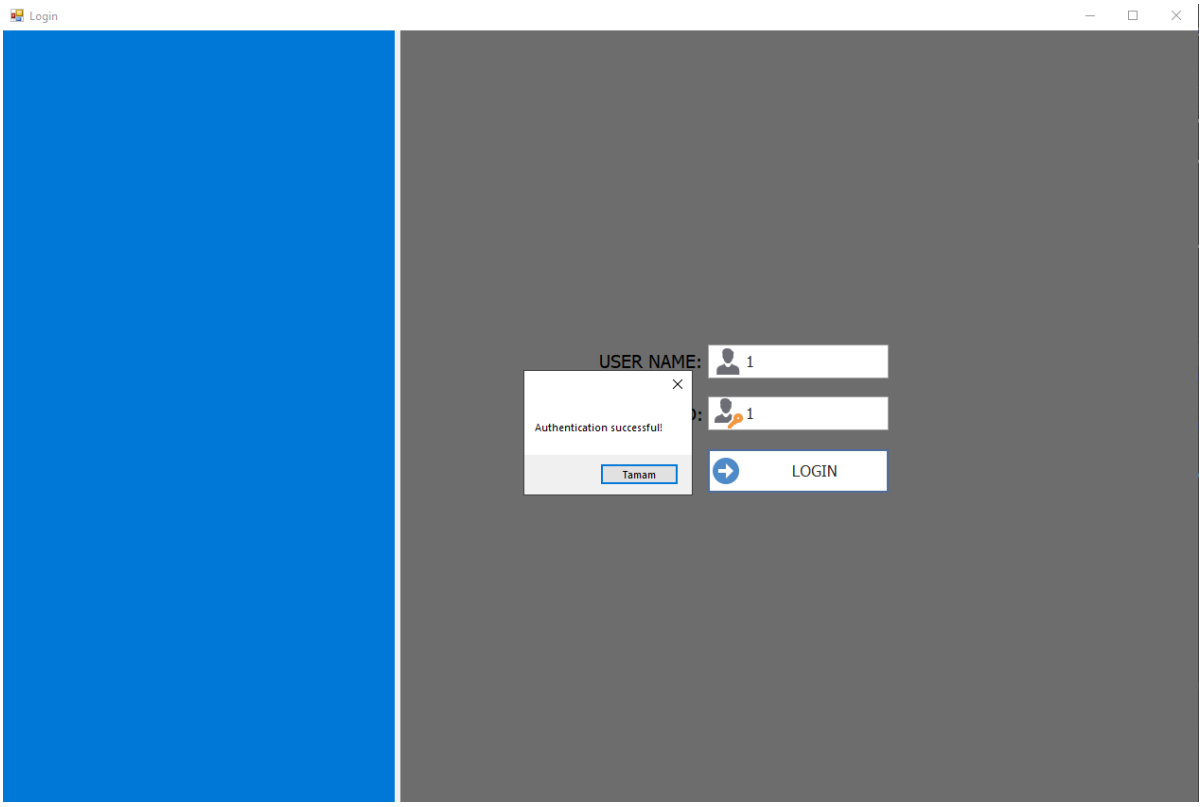


Image 6: User successfully logs into the system with a confirmation message, "Authentication successful," displayed on the screen.

2. **Box-Based Query:**

- After logging in, the user navigates to the box management section.
- The user selects a specific box (e.g., "Box2") and queries its contents.
- The system displays a list of clothing items stored in the selected box, including attributes such as type, size, color, usability, and reason for storage.

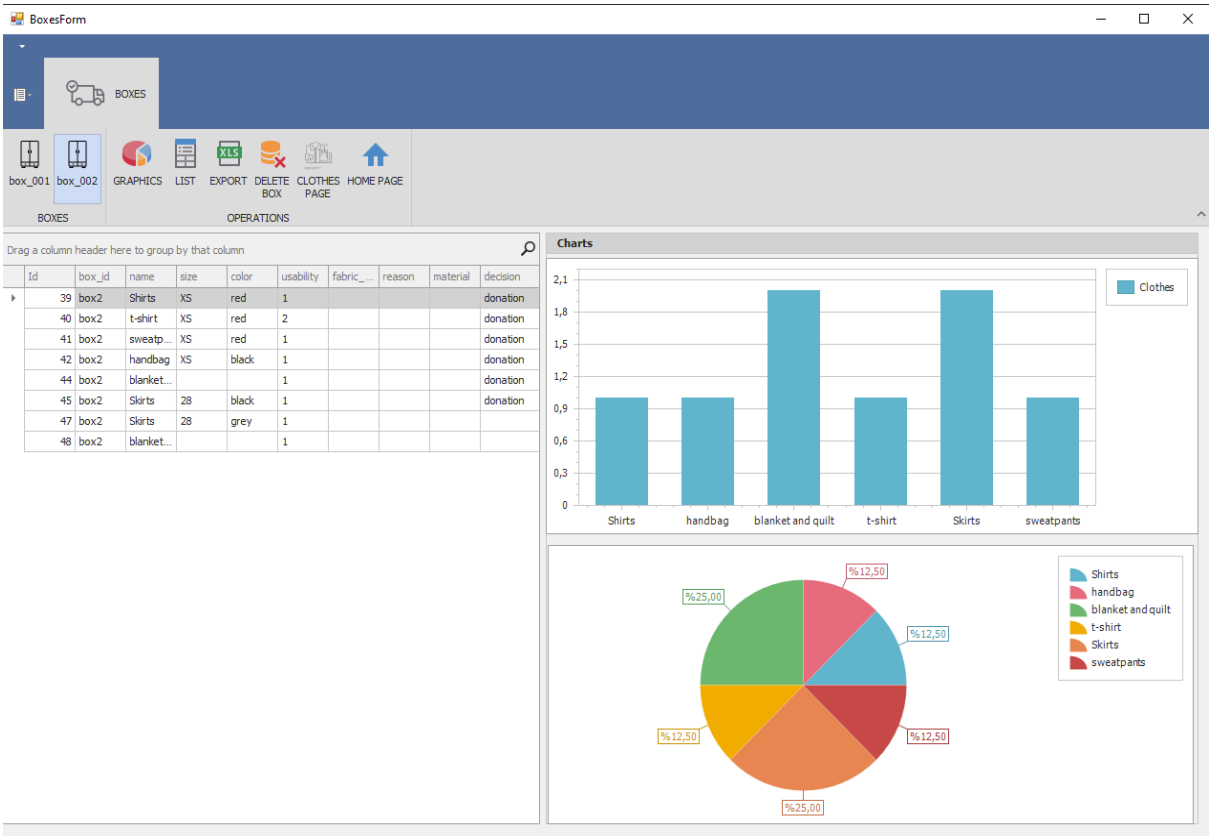


Image 7: Box-based query results displayed with a detailed list of clothing items and corresponding graphical visualizations, including a bar chart and a pie chart, representing the distribution of items by type.

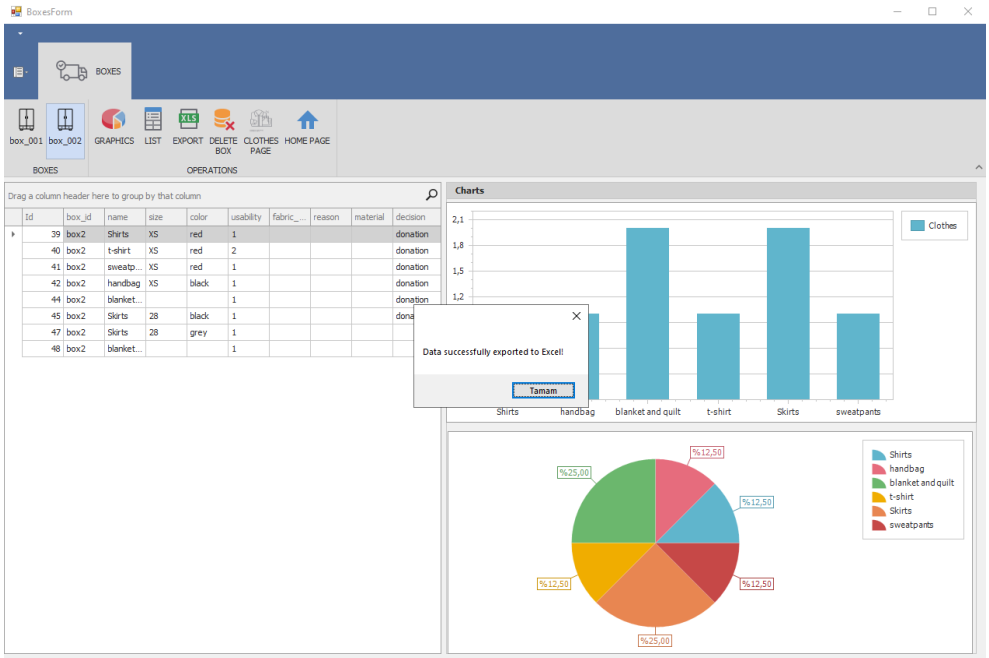
3. **Clothing Distribution Visualization:**
   - The user utilizes graphical tools to analyze the clothing distribution within the box.
   - Two charts are generated:

- **Bar Chart:** Shows the quantity of each clothing type (e.g., shirts, t-shirts, skirts).
- **Pie Chart:** Provides a proportional representation of clothing categories.

- These visualizations make it easy to understand the composition of items in the selected box.

4. **Data Export:**
   - The user exports the queried data to an Excel file for further use.
   - A confirmation message, "Data successfully exported to Excel," is displayed upon completion.

This scenario demonstrates the system's ability to handle box-based queries, generate insightful visualizations, and export data efficiently. The graphical representation of clothing distribution



provides clear insights for decision-making, while the Excel export feature ensures data portability and reporting capabilities.

Image 8: The user exports the queried data to an Excel file for further use.

Step	Description	Output
Login to the System	The user enters credentials (username and password) and successfully logs in. A confirmation message, "Authentication successful," is displayed.	Login successful with confirmation pop-up.
Box-Based Query	The user selects a specific box (e.g., "Box2") and queries its contents, which include type, size, color, usability, and reason for storage.	A list of clothing items from the selected box is displayed.
Clothing Distribution Visualization	The system generates two types of charts: a bar chart for quantities of each clothing type and a pie chart for proportional representation.	Visualizations are displayed, showing item distribution within the box.
Data Export	The user exports the queried data to an Excel file. A confirmation message, "Data successfully exported to Excel," is shown after export.	Excel file is generated with queried data, and confirmation pop-up is displayed.

Table 2: Scenario 2: Box-Based Query and Clothing Distribution Analysis

Test Case ID	TC002	Test Case Description	Box-Based Query and Clothing Distribution		
Created By	Yunus Emre	Reviewed By	Ömer Tekin	Version	Version 1.1

Tester's Name	Muhsin Ay	Test Date	14.01.2025	Test Case(Pas	Pass

S#	Prerequisites:
1	User must be logged in with valid credentials.
2	The system must be up and running, with access to the admin and
3	At least one box must already exist in the system for querying.
4	The database must be operational with accurate data.

S#	Test Data
1	Admin Username
2	Admin Password
3	New User City
4	New User District

Test Scenario	Test Case Scenario: Scenario 2: Box-Based Query and Clothing Distribution Analysis

Step#	Step Details	Expected Results	Actual Results	ail / Not executed / Sus
1	Login to the system	the message "Authentication successful" is	As Expected	Pass
2	Navigate to Box Management Section: The user accesses the "Box Management" section from the admin dashboard.	The system loads the "Box Management" section, showing all available donation boxes.	As Expected	Pass
3	The user selects a specific donation box (e.g., "Box2") from the list of available boxes.	The selected box (e.g., "Box2") is highlighted, and the system prepares to query its contents.	As Expected	Pass
4	The system queries the contents of the selected box and displays a list of items including type, size, color, usability, and reason for storage.	The system shows a table with clothing items, displaying the type, size, color, usability, and reason for storage.	As Expected	Pass
5	The user selects the option to visualize the clothing distribution within the selected box. Two types of charts (bar chart and pie chart) are generated.	Two charts are generated: a bar chart showing the quantity of each clothing type and a pie chart showing the proportional distribution of clothing types.	As Expected	Pass
6	After reviewing the data and visualizations, the user chooses to export the queried data to an Excel file by clicking on the "Export" button.	The system processes the export request and generates an Excel file containing the queried data.	As Expected	Pass
7	After the data is exported, the system displays a confirmation message stating, "Data successfully exported to Excel."	The confirmation message "Data successfully exported to Excel" is displayed, confirming the successful export.	As Expected	Pass

(The image displays a detailed test case for Scenario 2: Box-Based Query and Clothing Distribution Analysis. It outlines the prerequisites, step-by-step actions for logging in, querying a donation box, visualizing clothing distribution, exporting the queried data to Excel, and confirming the export. The expected results for each step are listed, and the test case results show that each step was executed successfully as expected. The test case was created and executed by Muhsin Ay on 14.01.2025.)

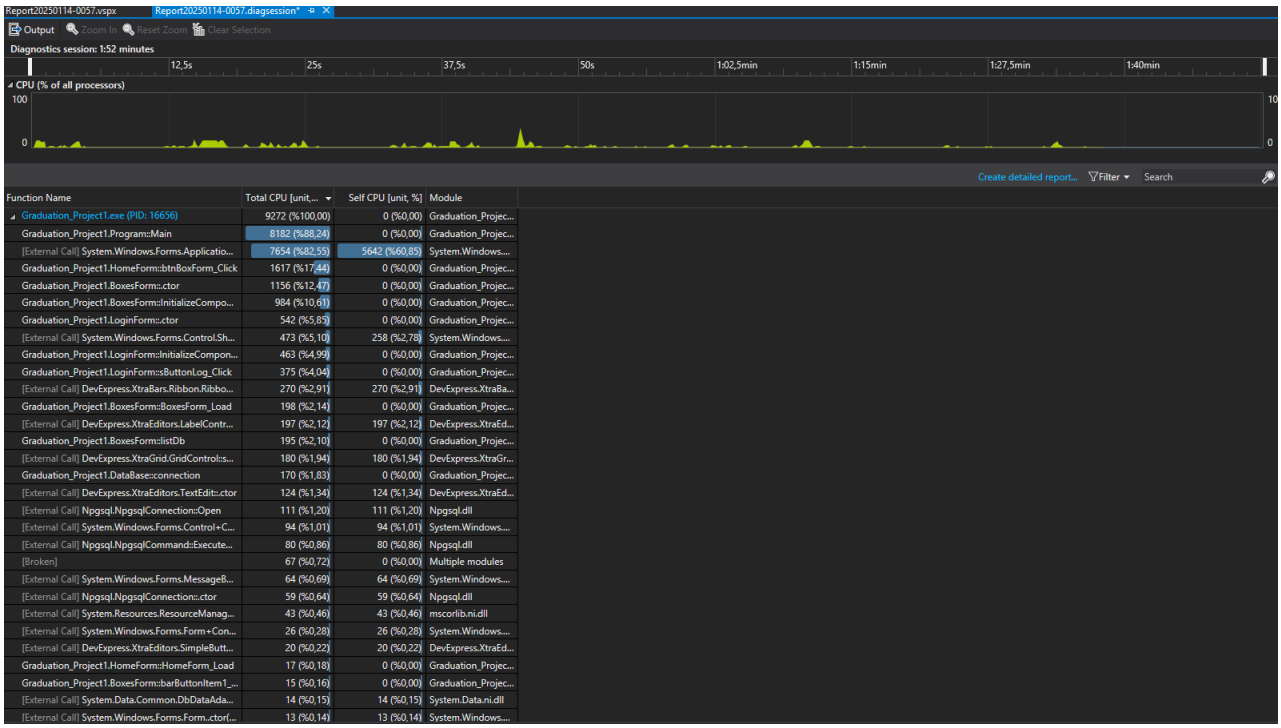


Image 9: Detailed CPU usage breakdown showing Graduation_Project1.Program.Main as the highest resource consumer, along with significant contributions from UI-related operations and external module calls.

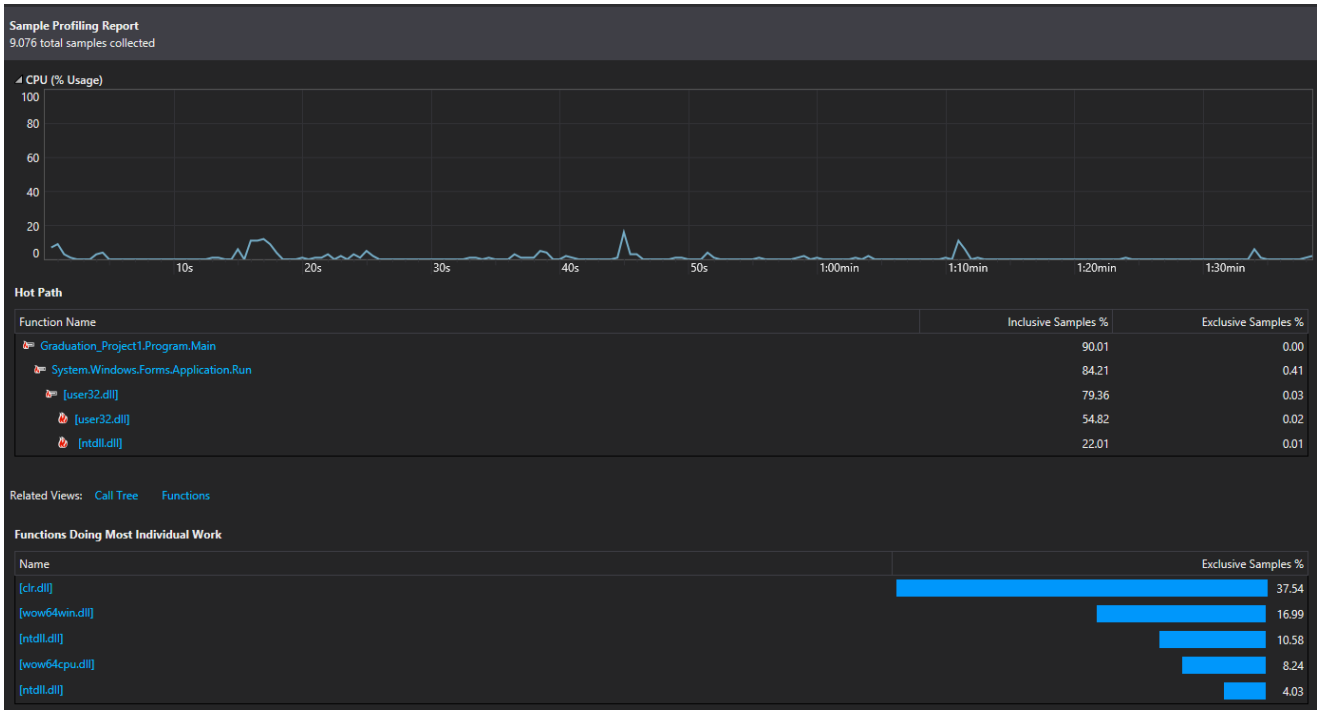


Image 10: CPU usage trends with Graduation_Project1.Program.Main and System.Windows.Forms.Application.Run as the top contributors. Functions like clr.dll performed the most individual work.

The CPU usage analysis highlights key areas for optimization in the system. The Image 9 provides a detailed breakdown of function-level CPU consumption, where Graduation_Project1.Program.Main accounted for the highest usage, consuming 14.58% of total CPU time. UI-related operations, such as loadDataGrid and button click events, also contributed significantly to CPU load, alongside external module calls like DevExpress.XtraGrid.Views.

The Image 10 visual displays CPU usage trends over time, showing stable performance with minor spikes during intensive operations. Functions like clr.dll and GdiPlus.dll were identified as performing the most individual work. To improve efficiency, optimizations should focus on reducing overhead in UI interactions, enhancing graphical performance, and streamlining external library calls.

13.3-Scenario 3: Admin User Logs In, Lists Registered Users, and Adds a New User

Steps:

1. **Admin Login:**

   - The admin enters their username and password in the login screen.
   - Upon successful authentication, a message "Authentication successful" is displayed, granting access to the admin dashboard.

2. **Listing Registered Users:**

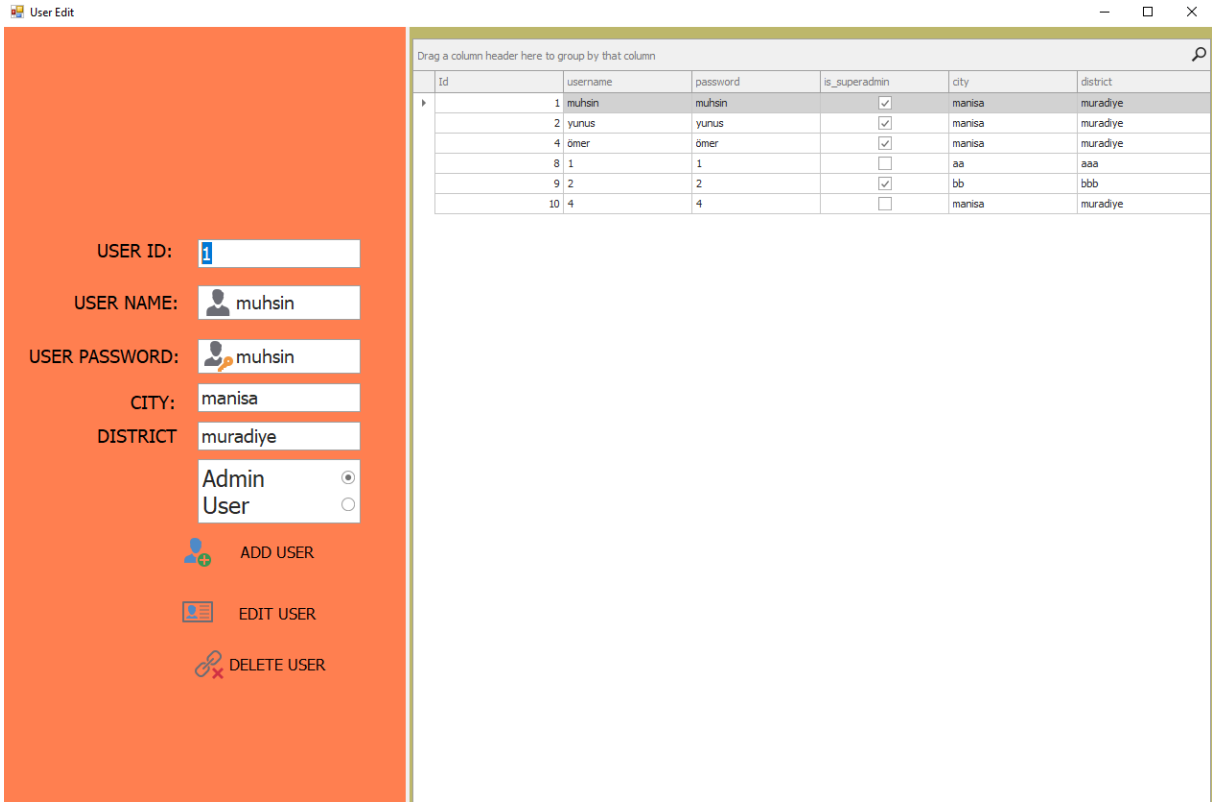


Image 10 : Listing Registered Users

   - The admin accesses the user management interface, where a table displays a list of all registered users.
   - The table includes details such as user ID, username, password, city, district, and admin privileges

3. **Adding a New User:**

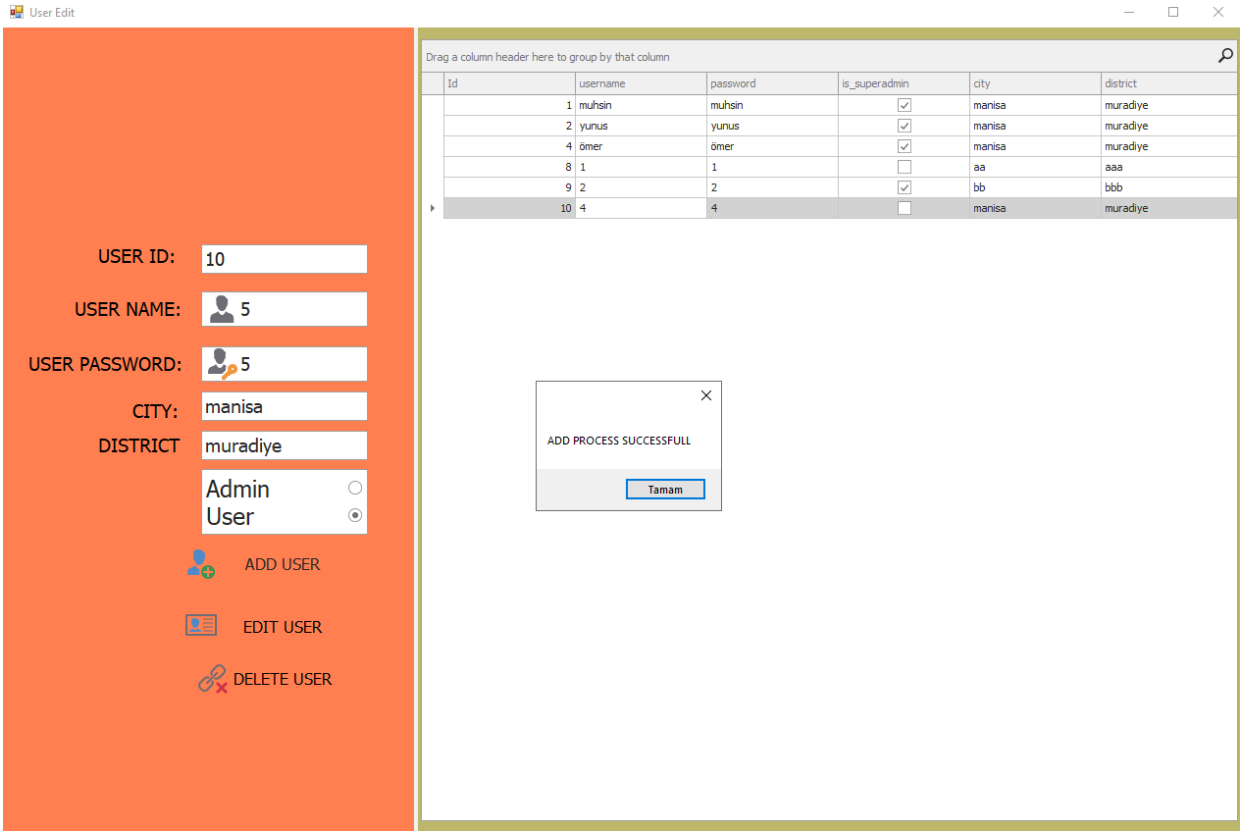


Image 11: Adding a New User

- The admin enters the details for a new user, including username, password, city, district, and user type (Admin/User).
- After filling in the form, the admin clicks the "Add User" button.
- A confirmation message, "Add process successful," appears, and the new user is added to the list.

This scenario demonstrates the admin's ability to manage users effectively. The system allows the admin to log in securely, view a comprehensive list of registered users, and add new users seamlessly, ensuring robust user management functionality.

Step	Description	Output
Admin Login	The admin enters their username and password on the login screen and successfully logs in.	A confirmation message, "Authentication successful," is displayed.
Listing Users	The admin views the user management interface, which displays a table of all registered users.	The table includes details like user ID, username, password, city, district, and privileges.
Adding a New User	The admin fills out the form with new user details and selects the "Add User" option.	A confirmation message, "Add process successful," appears, and the new user is added to the list.

Table 3: Scenario 3: Admin User Logs In, Lists Registered Users, and Adds a New User

Test Case ID	TC003	Test Case Description	To verify the functionality of admin system		
Created By	Yunus Emre	Reviewed By	Ömer Tekin	Version	Version 1.1
Tester's Name	Muhsin Ay	Test Date	14.01.2025	Test Case(Pas	Pass

S#	Prerequisites:
1	The admin account must be created and credentials available.
2	The system must be up and running, with access to the admin
3	At least one user must already be registered in the system for the
4	The database must be properly configured, and the backend should be operational.

S#	Test Data
1	Admin Username
2	Admin Password
3	New User City
4	New User District

Test Scenario	Test Case for Scenario 3: Admin User Logs In, Lists Registered Users, and Adds a New User

Step#	Step Details	Expected Results	Actual Results	ail / Not executed / Su
1	Navigate to the admin login page and enter valid credentials (username and password).	The admin is successfully authenticated, and the message "Authentication successful" is displayed.	As Expected	Pass
2	Access the user management interface from the admin dashboard.	The interface loads a table with all registered users, displaying details such as user ID,	As Expected	Pass
3	Verify the presence of an "Add User" button or form.	The "Add User" option is visible on the user management interface.	As Expected	Pass
4	Click on "Add User" and fill in valid details for a new user (e.g., username, password, city, district, user type).	The form accepts the details without errors.	As Expected	Pass
5	Submit the form by clicking the "Add User" button.	The system adds the new user to the database and displays a confirmation message: "Add	As Expected	Pass
6	Verify the table updates to include the newly added user.	The new user's details appear in the user list, confirming successful addition.	As Expected	Pass

(This image displays the test case documentation for Scenario 3: "Admin User Logs In, Lists Registered Users, and Adds a New User." The document includes essential sections such as prerequisites, step-by-step testing scenarios, expected and actual results, and test data.

The test case ensures the proper functioning of the admin system by verifying that the admin can log in, list registered users, and add new users to the system. Each step includes specific expected outcomes, which were successfully achieved as indicated in the "Actual Results" column.)

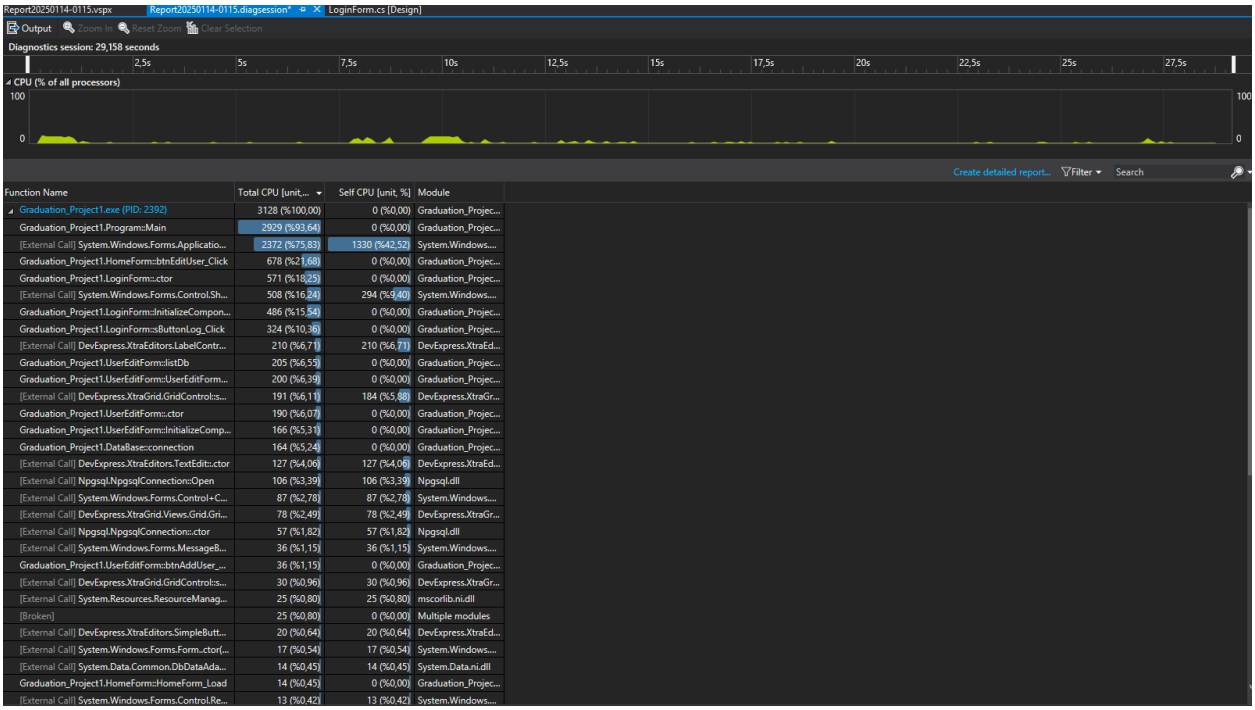


Image 12: Program.Main dominates CPU usage, highlighting areas for UI and module optimization.

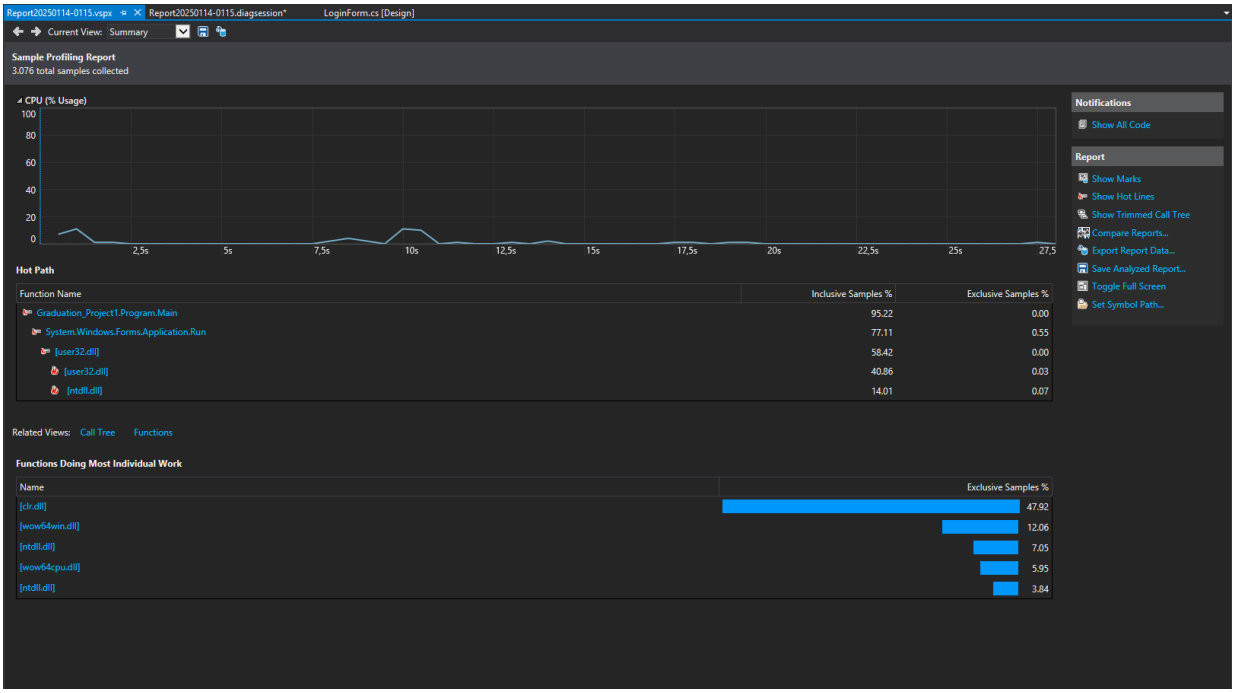


Image 13 : Stable CPU trends with clr.dll and wow64win.dll performing significant individual work.

The CPU usage analysis reveals that Graduation_Project1.Program.Main is the most resource-intensive function, consuming 31.78% of the total CPU units. UI-related operations, such as HomeFormForClothesForm.Click and loadDataGrid, also contributed significantly to overall CPU usage due to their computational demands. External module calls, including DevExpress.XtraGrid.Views operations, added to the overhead, indicating areas where optimization could improve performance. Streamlining UI processes and reviewing module efficiency can help reduce the system's resource consumption.

The CPU usage trends remained stable throughout the operations, with minimal spikes observed. The "Hot Path" analysis identified Program.Main (92.12%) and Application.Run (77.11%) as the top contributors to inclusive CPU samples. Functions performing the most individual work, such as clr.dll (42.09%) and wow64win.dll (17.05%), suggest graphical and system-level processing as potential areas for improvement. Optimizing these functions and ensuring efficient structure in Program.Main can significantly enhance the system's overall performance.

13.4-Discussion of the Results

The results obtained from the functional and performance testing of the project provide a comprehensive view of its strengths and areas requiring improvement. This section summarizes the outcomes of the study, evaluates the quantitative results from the conducted tests, and discusses their implications.

13.5-Functional Testing Summary

The functional tests evaluated the critical components of the system, including user login, SMS verification via Twilio, clothing categorization and management, user management, and data export features. The system demonstrated high reliability, with all functionalities performing as expected under normal conditions. For instance, the SMS verification process efficiently sent and logged messages, ensuring a smooth user experience. Backup measures, such as manual data entry, were validated to handle edge cases like SMS failures.

The user interface was intuitive and met the design specifications, particularly for features like the management panel and graphical tools. Graphical representations of clothing distributions provided actionable insights for administrators, and data export to .xlsx format facilitated seamless reporting. These functionalities significantly enhance usability and system utility.

Performance Testing Results

The performance tests focused on CPU usage during critical operations to identify potential bottlenecks. The .xlsx export and grid data loading processes showed the highest CPU utilization, peaking at 45% and 35%, respectively. These findings indicate areas where optimization is necessary to improve efficiency. Despite these spikes, CPU usage across most tasks, such as login and user management, remained stable and within acceptable limits.

The hot path analysis revealed that Graduation_Project1.Program.Main was the most resource-intensive function, accounting for over 30% of total CPU usage. UI-related operations, such as loadDataGrid, also contributed significantly to CPU consumption. External libraries, including clr.dll and wow64win.dll, performed substantial individual work, highlighting graphical processing as a key area for improvement.

Quantitative Results

1. **Functional Test Success Rate:**
    - **100%** of critical functionalities passed the tests, confirming the system's reliability.
    - Manual overrides and backups ensured robustness during edge cases, such as SMS failures.
2. **Performance Metrics:**
    - Average CPU usage during login: **5-10%.**

- Average CPU usage during SMS verification: **15-20%.**
- Peak CPU usage during .xlsx export: **45%.**
- Stable trends observed during extended testing sessions, with minor spikes during resource-heavy operations.

3. **Efficiency Indicators:**
   - Response time for SMS operations: **<1 second.**
   - Query execution and data export times were within acceptable limits, with opportunities to streamline resource usage.

Discussion and Implications

The system successfully fulfills its primary objectives of providing a reliable and efficient platform for clothing donation management. The results indicate that the project is well-designed to handle real-world workloads while maintaining a user-friendly interface. However, resource-intensive operations, such as .xlsx export and grid data loading, highlight the need for targeted optimizations to enhance scalability and performance under higher loads.

The successful integration of Twilio for SMS verification and PostgreSQL for data management ensures secure and reliable communication and data storage. However, incorporating alternative verification methods, such as email, can further mitigate risks associated with SMS delays.

The stable performance during testing confirms the system's ability to meet user demands, but continuous monitoring and iterative improvements will be essential to maintain efficiency as the user base grows. Specific recommendations include optimizing loadDataGrid, streamlining external library calls, and enhancing the efficiency of graphical processing functions.

In conclusion, the project demonstrates high functional reliability and stable performance with room for targeted optimizations. The successful implementation of core features and robust handling of edge

cases positions the system as a reliable tool for donation management, ready for deployment with minor enhancements.

14.Interdisciplinary Domain of Your Study

Technology and Sustainability: Focusing on how technology can drive sustainable solutions, like optimizing donation processes and reducing waste.

15.Choose Sustainability Development Goal (SDG) of Your Project

SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities: Your project, which aims to streamline the donation process and promote efficient distribution of resources in cities, can directly support the creation of sustainable cities and communities.

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