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Abstract

RailSmart project aims to revolutionize the traditional railway ticketing system by developing an automated platform for ticket identification, validation, and violation detection. The system integrates advanced machine learning models, such as TensorFlow and PyTorch, to efficiently detect ticket violations and fraud. Utilizing technologies like Tesseract OCR for ticket scanning and Flutter or React for user registration, RailSmart ensures that each passenger's ticket is securely linked to their identity, reducing instances of unauthorized travel. The platform also incorporates GPS-based validation and geo-fencing for real-time monitoring, enhancing the security and accuracy of the ticketing process.Moreover, RailSmart is designed to streamline operations through seamless integration with widely-used payment gateways such as Paytm and Google Pay, ensuring fast, transparent, and secure payment processing for both ticket purchases and fine collection. The system supports automated e-challan issuance for violations, utilizing CCTV and AI-based monitoring systems to enforce compliance and improve operational efficiency. By offering a comprehensive dashboard with real-time analytics on ticketing trends, passenger behavior, and violation patterns, RailSmart enables railway authorities to make data-driven decisions that enhance revenue management and passenger experience. Ultimately, RailSmart provides a modern, scalable, and secure solution that addresses the inefficiencies of current manual and digital railway ticketing systems, offering significant improvements in terms of fraud prevention, operational transparency, and passenger convenience.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

The RailSmart project is designed to revolutionize the traditional railway ticketing and validation process by addressing inefficiencies, security vulnerabilities, and the increasing need for automation in public transportation systems. Currently, manual ticket validation methods are time-consuming, error-prone, and susceptible to fraud, resulting in operational delays, long passenger queues, and revenue loss. To tackle these issues, RailSmart leverages cutting-edge technologies such as machine learning, GPS-based tracking, geo-fencing, and artificial intelligence (AI) to create an automated and secure ticketing system. At its core, the system uses Tesseract OCR technology to automate the process of scanning and validating tickets, significantly speeding up the verification process at railway stations. This reduces the need for manual checks and enhances the efficiency of railway operations by enabling quick passenger throughput, especially during peak hours.The project integrates GPS-based validation and geo-fencing technology to provide real-time location tracking, ensuring that ticket validation is accurate and tied to specific geographic boundaries. This allows for precise monitoring of passenger movements within pre-defined zones, improving both security and operational transparency. AI-powered CCTV systems further enhance the system's capabilities by automatically detecting violations, such as fare evasion or the use of invalid tickets. The integration of machine learning models like TensorFlow and PyTorch allows the system to continuously learn and adapt, improving the accuracy of violation detection over time. When a violation is detected, RailSmart automatically issues e-challans (electronic fines) to offenders, eliminating the need for manual intervention and ensuring swift enforcement.One of the key features of RailSmart is its seamless integration with widely-used digital payment platforms such as Paytm and Google Pay. This allows passengers to easily purchase tickets and pay fines through secure, cashless transactions, making the system both user-friendly and efficient. The project also incorporates a robust data analytics platform that provides railway authorities with real-time insights into ticketing trends, passenger behavior, and patterns of violations. These analytics can be used to optimize operations, identify high-risk areas, and implement preventive measures, ultimately leading to a more transparent and data-driven management approach. Overall, the RailSmart project aims to create a seamless, secure, and scalable railway ticketing system that not only improves operational efficiency and reduces fraud but also enhances the passenger experience by making travel faster, more convenient, and more transparent. By automating critical processes and utilizing modern technologies, RailSmart is positioned to set a new standard for public transportation management.

1.1 Motivation

The motivation behind the RailSmart project stems from the growing challenges faced by traditional railway ticketing systems, which are often slow, inefficient, and prone to human error and fraud. As railway networks expand and passenger volumes increase, the limitations of manual ticket validation and enforcement become more apparent, leading to long queues, operational delays, and revenue losses due to fare evasion and ticket fraud. Existing systems often rely on outdated methods that lack real-time integration, making it difficult to enforce compliance and monitor ticket violations effectively. The need for a secure, scalable, and automated solution is critical in order to streamline operations, reduce manual intervention, and improve the overall passenger experience. By leveraging modern technologies such as machine learning, GPS-based validation, geo-fencing, and AI-powered surveillance, RailSmart seeks to address these challenges by providing a faster, more accurate, and secure system for ticket validation and violation detection. This project is driven by the vision to create a more efficient and transparent railway network that reduces fraud, enhances operational transparency, and ensures a seamless, hassle-free experience for passengers while improving revenue management for railway authorities.The motivation for the *RailSmart* project is deeply rooted in the critical need to modernize and enhance railway ticketing systems to keep pace with the growing demands of urbanization and the increasing complexity of public transportation networks. Traditional ticketing methods, characterized by manual checks and physical ticketing systems, are becoming increasingly unsustainable in today's fast-paced environments where millions of passengers rely on efficient, seamless transit solutions. Manual processes not only slow down passenger throughput but also result in significant operational inefficiencies, such as long wait times.

1.2 Problem Statement

Current methods primarily rely on manual ticket validation processes, which are time-consuming, prone to human error, and susceptible to fraud, such as ticket duplication or fare evasion. These systems struggle to handle large passenger volumes efficiently, leading to long queues at stations, delays in verification, and inconsistent enforcement of fines. Additionally, the lack of real-time integration between ticketing, passenger identification, and monitoring systems further complicates the ability to track violations effectively. This not only results in revenue losses for railway authorities but also compromises the overall passenger experience. Existing digital solutions, while offering some automation, lack robust mechanisms for real-time offender detection, secure payment processing, and reliable data sharing across systems. Environmental factors, such as poor connectivity, also affect the reliability of GPS-based validation systems, causing further operational disruptions. The need for a secure, scalable, and automated solution that addresses these challenges is critical. RailSmart proposes to resolve these issues by integrating technologies like AI, machine learning, GPS, and secure payment gateways to create a seamless, efficient, and secure railway ticketing and validation system that can operate in real-time, improve compliance, and enhance operational transparency.

1.3 Objectives

- **Automate Railway Ticket Validation:** The goal is to leverage Tesseract OCR (Optical Character Recognition), an open-source engine, to scan and validate railway tickets efficiently and accurately. By automating the ticket-checking process at railway stations, this solution aims to significantly increase both the speed and accuracy of ticket validation, thereby enhancing the passenger experience. The implementation of this technology would not only reduce manual errors associated with human checks but also eliminate long queues, which are particularly problematic during peak hours when passenger traffic is high. This innovative system is designed to read various ticket formats, including printed tickets and QR codes, making it versatile and adaptable to different ticket types and systems.

- **Violation Detection and Fine Management:** This objective focuses on utilizing cutting-edge AI and machine learning technologies to automatically detect ticket violations, including situations where passengers are traveling without valid tickets or are using expired ones. Advanced AI algorithms can analyze data patterns to track common instances of misuse or fraudulent behavior, raising alerts in real time to facilitate quick intervention. Additionally, the system will automatically generate and issue e-challans (electronic fines) to ensure a swift response to violations, thus reinforcing compliance with ticketing regulations. The integration of user-friendly payment gateways will enable passengers to pay their fines instantly and conveniently, streamlining the overall process of fine collection. This advancement not only reduces the burden on railway staff for manual fine processing but also promotes a culture of accountability among passengers.

- **GPS-Based Ticket Validation Offender Detection:** GPS-Based Ticket Validation Offender Detection: The objective here is to implement a more robust and location-aware validation system by integrating GPS technology with geofencing. This will ensure that tickets are valid for specific locations and times, reducing misuse. CCTV integration will allow real-time monitoring, enabling authorities to track offenders or violators through facial recognition or behavior analysis. This can aid in capturing offenders who may otherwise escape detection through traditional manual checking methods. Such a system would enhance the overall security and fairness in ticket validation.

- **Advanced Analytics for Ticketing Insights:** Advanced Analytics for Ticketing Insights: This part involves creating a dashboard powered by advanced data analytics to give railway authorities comprehensive insights into various aspects of ticketing. Real-time data on ticket sales, violations, user behavior, and payment trends would be gathered and visualized. This will help railway administrators optimize operations, identify trends or bottlenecks, and make data-driven decisions. For example, they can analyze which routes are more prone to violations, which times see higher demand, and how passengers' behaviors are changing over time, enabling better planning and resource allocation.

1.4 Scope

- **Security & Law Enforcement:** AI-powered CCTV systems monitor public spaces, identifying security threats, violations, and suspicious behavior in real-time. Fare evaders and other offenders can be tracked automatically, reducing manual efforts by law enforcement. This enhances public safety by providing instant alerts and enabling faster responses. By analyzing footage continuously, AI can also predict potential incidents, allowing proactive measures. Data integration with law enforcement further strengthens the overall security ecosystem.

- **Blockchain for Fine Transparency**:Blockchain technology ensures that all fine transactions are recorded on a decentralized, immutable ledger. Passengers can track their fines, disputes, and payments in real time, fostering transparency. This eliminates discrepancies in fine records, as all information is verifiable by both passengers and authorities. The technology also improves accountability, as once fines are issued, they cannot be altered or erased. This builds trust between passengers and transportation authorities.

- **Revenue Management & Fine Collection**: Automated fine issuance systems streamline the entire process from detection to payment. Integration with payment gateways ensures fines are paid promptly and securely, minimizing revenue loss.This can aid in capturing offenders who may otherwise escape detection through traditional manual checking methods. Such a system would enhance the overall security and fairness in ticket validation. Automated systems reduce human error and administrative overhead, making fine collection more efficient. By automating reminders and follow-ups for unpaid fines, the system can also improve collection rates. This approach enhances overall revenue management for public transport authorities.

- **Custom Alerts:**Using data analytics, systems can generate real-time alerts for ticket checkers about high-risk passengers, such as repeat offenders or fare evaders. These alerts are based on past behavior, patterns, or anomalies detected in the system. This can aid in capturing offenders who may otherwise escape detection through traditional manual checking methods. Such a system would enhance the overall security and fairness in ticket validation. This helps improve the security and accuracy of ticket validation, reducing fraud. The alerts enable more targeted and efficient checks, ensuring resources are used optimally. Additionally, this real-time insight can deter potential violators from attempting fare evasion.

Chapter 2

Literature Review

Several existing systems and technologies related to railway ticketing, automated validation, and violation detection, while identifying gaps that the project aims to address. Previous studies and solutions in automated ticketing systems often focus on technologies like Optical Character Recognition (OCR) for ticket scanning and QR code-based validation. However, these methods suffer from limitations in accuracy and scalability. For instance, systems using OCR, such as e-challan generation for traffic violations, often struggle with environmental factors like poor lighting and camera accuracy, leading to inconsistent performance. Metro ticketing systems that rely on GPS for location-based validation also face challenges with signal loss and network reliability, especially in dense urban environments. Additionally, existing solutions for bus tracking and geofencing provide some real-time capabilities, but they fail to achieve accurate monitoring in areas with poor connectivity. A key challenge across these systems is the heavy reliance on external data sources and the lack of integration between different components, such as passenger identification, payment processing, and fine management. While some solutions, such as those integrating machine learning for pattern recognition and fraud detection, offer promise, they often fall short in addressing the need for a unified, real-time, and secure railway ticketing solution.

2.1 Comparative Analysis of Recent Studies

Table 2.1: Comparative Analysis of Text Validation , Tesseract OCR, Traditional Challans and GeoFencing

Sr.no	Title	Author(s)	Year	Methodology	Drawback
1	Indian Railways Smart Ticketing Validation System with Improved Alert Approach	Sara Navghare , Rachna . K Somkunwar, Zarina Shaikh	2023	The methodology involves an alert mechanism, which uses cloud-based data storage for automatic updates, minimizing operational costs, human error, and improving accuracy and timeliness.	One drawback of this system could be its reliance on internet connectivity, which may cause disruptions in validation and alerts in areas with poor network coverage.
2	Geofencing on the Real-Time GPS Tracking System	Zeynep ÖZDMIR, Bülent TUĞRUL	2020	This study transmits GPS data to a remote server via GSM and GPRS for real-time tracking, viewable on devices like computers and phones. To reduce GPS error, Kalman filter, logistic regression analysis, and moving average filter are used.	The potential for false alarms due to GPS inaccuracies, despite efforts to reduce the error margin with filtering techniques.
3	Android suburban railway ticketing with GPS as ticket checker	S Karthick, A Velmurugan.	2012	The methodology introduces an Android app for buying suburban railway tickets via QR codes. The app uses GPS to automatically validate the ticket after reaching the destination. Ticket data is stored in a cloud database.	Reliance on smartphones and GPS, which may cause issues for users without compatible devices or in areas with poor signal, potentially affecting ticket validation and usability.

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4	Automated Railway Reserved Ticket Validation System	Gayathri C , Loganathan P , Gokul Kannan G , GokulRaj V , Dhineshkumar S.	2022	The system uses **QR** codes for ticket validation. Each reserved ticket is issued a unique QR code, embedding the Passenger Name Record (PNR), which is scanned using high-definition cameras and processed through **OpenCV**. The entire system is built on Python using the **Streamlit** framework.	The system relies heavily on hardware like cameras and scanners, which may fail or malfunction. It doesn't include advanced security features like biometric authentication, and manual intervention.Privacy concerns also arise due to the continuous validation of personal data stored in the database.
5	Online Challan Generation System Based On Machine Learning	Dr. Sonali Ridhorkar, Khushi Gupta, Kalyani Lokhande, Prachi Bhanarkar, Vijeta Meshram, and Venuhemane.	2022	The methodology in this paper involves developing an automated e-challan generation system using machine learning techniques.The system captures images of vehicles violating traffic rules via webcams, detects license plates using (OCR) with the help of OpenCV and Python.	Drawbacks includes reliance on webcams, which may not capture clear images in poor lighting or adverse weather conditions. Additionally, the system's accuracy is dependent on the quality of OCR, which can struggle with damaged or unclear license plates.
6	Face Recognition Smart Attendance System using Deep Transfer Learning.	Khawla Alhanaee, Mitha Alhammadi, Nahla Almenhali, Maad Shatnawi.	2021	The authors uses a facial recognition attendance system utilizing **deep learning convolutional neural networks (CNN)**. They employ **transfer learning** with three pre-trained CNN models: **AlexNet**, **GoogleNet**, and **SqueezeNet**.	The dataset was relatively small (200 images), which might limit generalizability to larger, more diverse datasets. The training was performed on a single CPU, leading to longer training times, especially for more complex networks like AlexNet.

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7	Title: E-Challan Automation for RTO using OCR.	Rakesh Kumar, Meenu Gupta, Suyash Shukla, Ram Kumar Yadav.	2021	The paper proposes using **Optical Character Recognition (OCR)** and image processing technology to automate the e-challan system. High-definition cameras capture vehicle number plates, and the system automatically detects violations and issues e-challans to offenders.	The system relies on timely data sharing from the RTO and may face challenges due to technical glitches, camera range limitations, and weather conditions that affect OCR accuracy.
8	Android Application for Metro Railway Ticket Booking and Checking Using QR-Code and GPS.	M. Priyanka, P. Rajesh Kumar, A. P. Vamsi Krishna, P. Durga Prasad, and G. Naveen Prakash.	2020	The methodology involves users registering on the Android app with personal details, which are stored in Firebase. The system uses **GPS** to track the user's location, validating the ticket by comparing their current position with predefined **source** and **destination points**.	The research paper identifies several drawbacks, including potential issues with GPS accuracy, which may lead to incorrect ticket validation in areas with poor signal coverage. Additionally, reliance on internet connectivity could cause delays or disruptions in ticket generation and validation. The security of user data, such as Aadhaar numbers, could be a concern if not adequately protected.

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9	Bus Tracking System using Geofencing	Amrutkar Namrata Ravindra , Nikam Jayashri , Rumane Mohini , Patil Mohini.	2018	The bus tracking system described in the document utilizes **GPS, GSM,** and **geo-fencing** technology to provide real-time tracking of buses. Geo-fencing is used to set geographical boundaries, and alerts are triggered when buses enter or exit these zones. The system also features real-time updates about bus locations, speeds, and estimated times of arrival.	The main drawbacks of the system include potential network failures due to GSM module issues or connectivity problems, which can affect the real-time tracking and alert system. Additionally, the system relies heavily on a stable internet connection for continuous tracking, making it less reliable in areas with poor network coverage.
10	Effective Use of Pattern Discovery for Detection of Fraudulent Patterns in Railway Reservation.	Ashish Gaigowad, Prachi Deote, Prathamesh Badge, Rahul Giradkar.	2014	The process involves data collection from Indian Railways, integration, cleaning, reduction, and normalization of the dataset. Once pre-processed, the authors mine the data for patterns using descriptive models to identify fraudulent activities.	The study is limited to applying a specific set of techniques for fraud detection and does not compare the performance of various algorithms. The research is also dependent on the availability and quality of datasets, which can constrain its scope .

Chapter 3

Project Design

3.1 Proposed System Architecture

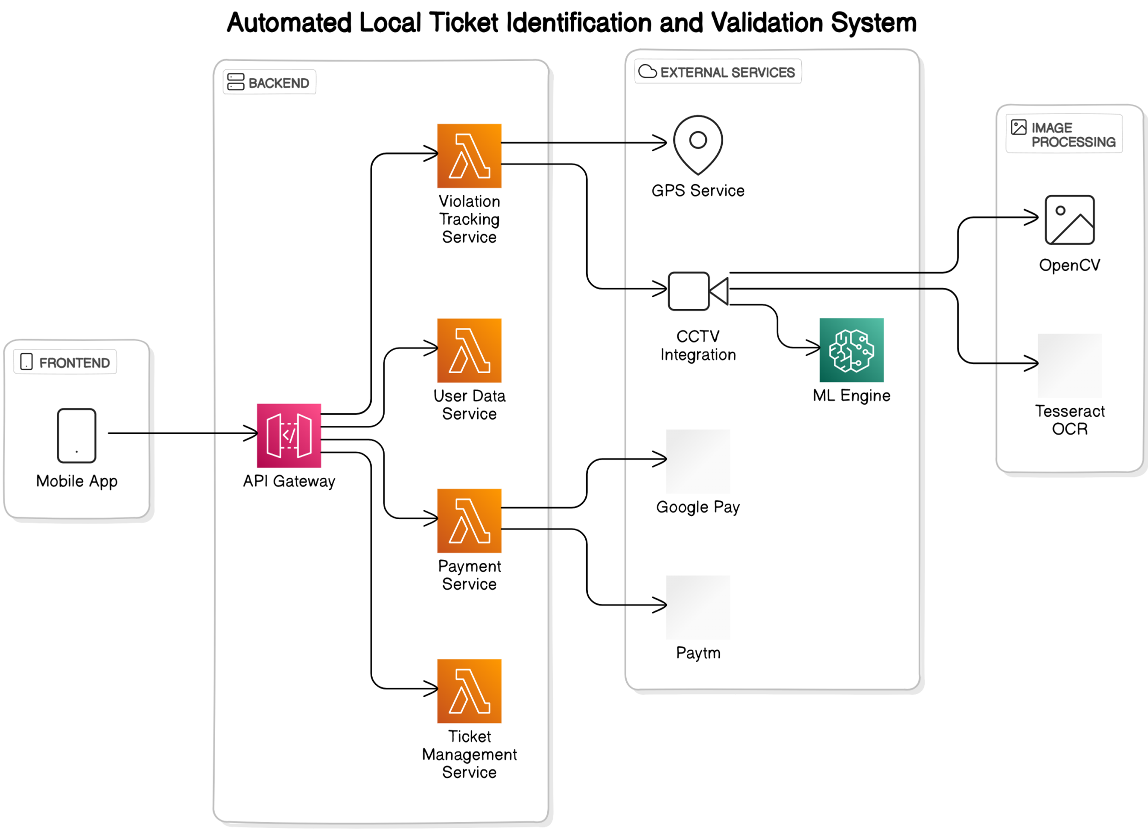

Figure 3.1: System Architecture

In Figure 3.1, the components of system architecture are plotted. These components are:
Frontend (Mobile App): Manages user registration and interaction via a mobile app built using Flutter.
Backend (API Gateway): Manages all service communications and routes between the frontend and backend services.

Payment Service: Facilitates transactions through various payment gateways.Supports payments through Google Pay and Paytm.
CCTV Feature: Provides footage from surveillance cameras for ticket and location validation.

3.2 Data Flow Diagrams(DFD)

3.2.1 DFD Level 0 Diagram

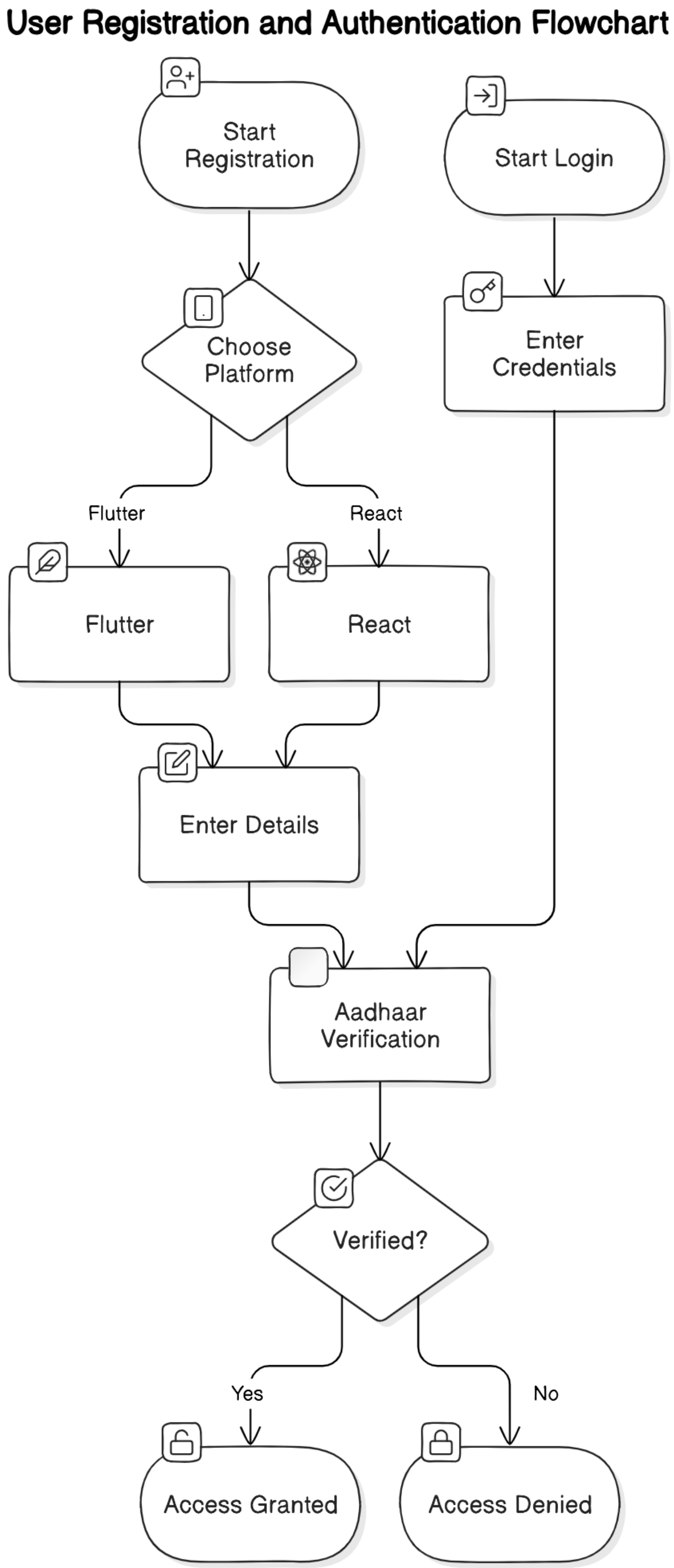

Figure 3.2: DFD Level 0 Diagram

In Figure 3.2, Is User Registration and Authentication outlines the process for user onboarding and access management in the RailSmart project. The process begins with two distinct user actions: registration and login.

3.2.2 DFD Level 1 Diagram

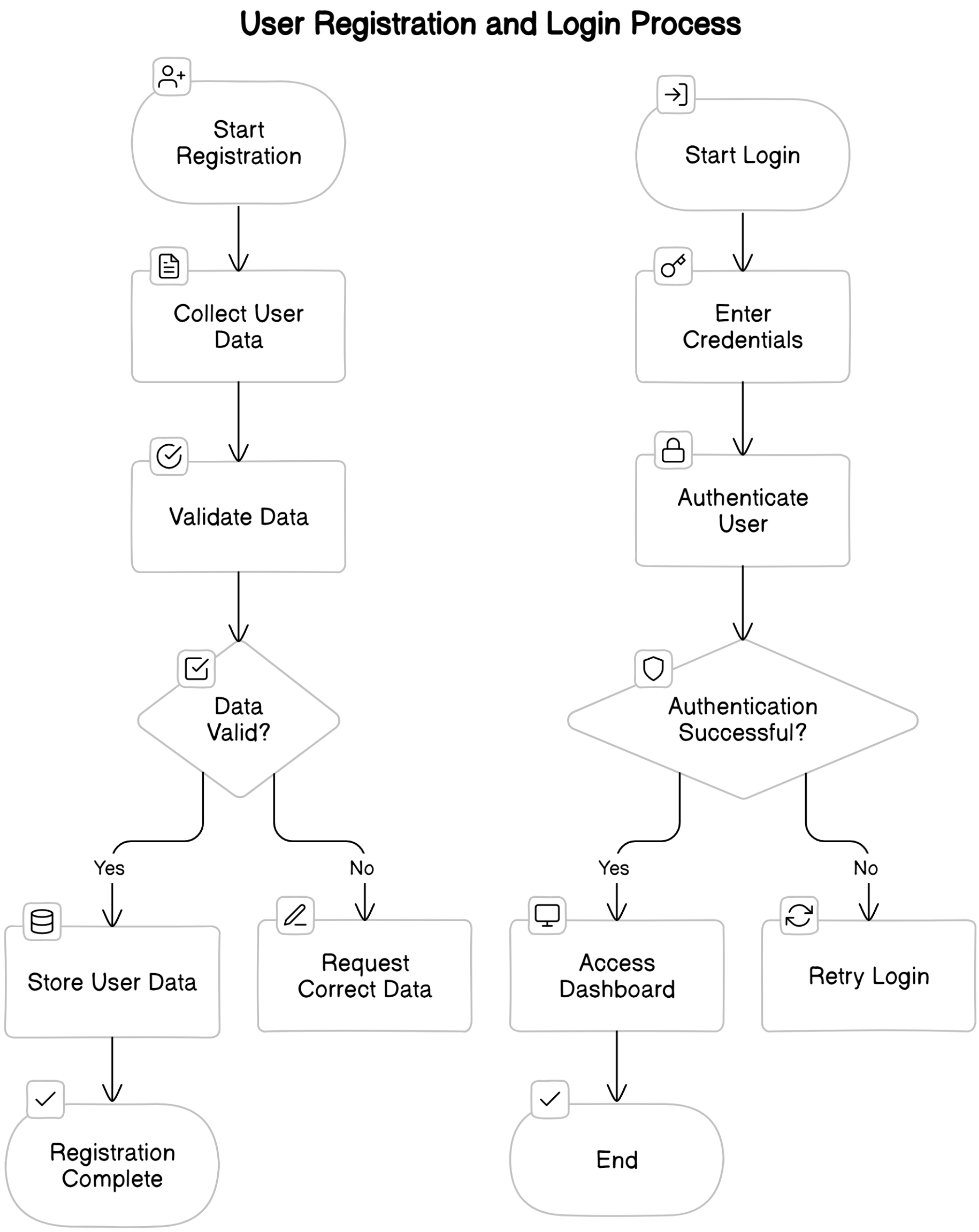

Figure 3.3: DFD Level 1 Diagram

In Figure 3.3, is Data Flow Diagram of Login Process outlines the steps involved in both user registration and login within the RailSmart system. The registration process begins with the user initiating registration, followed by the collection of user data.

3.2.3 DFD Level 2 Diagram

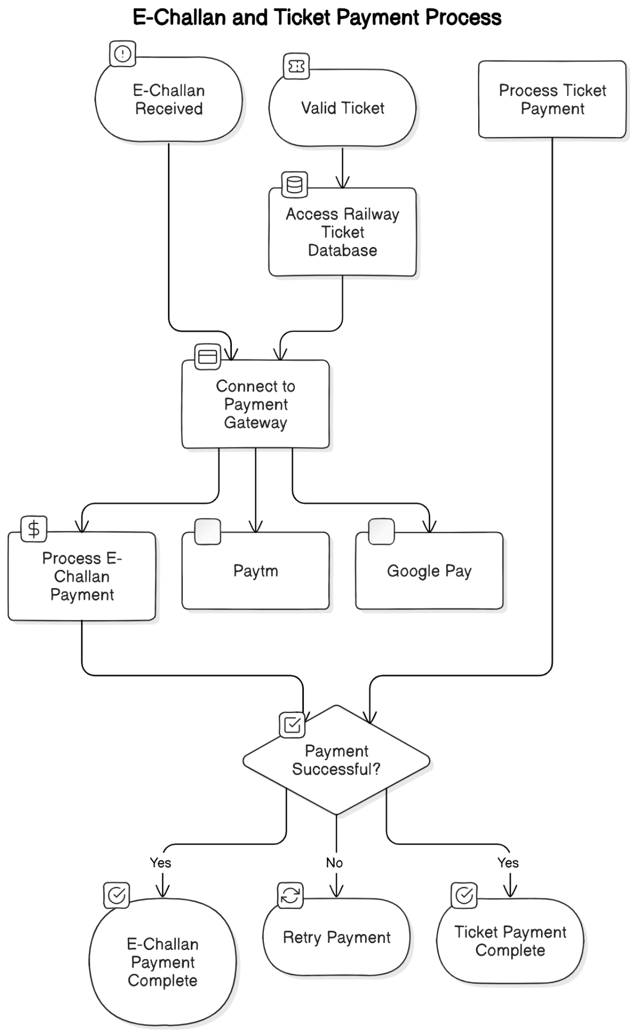

Figure 3.4: DFD Level 2 Diagram

In Figure 3.4, A Data Flow Diagram level 2 represents the e-challan and ticket payment process as a flowchart. It begins with either an e-challan being received or a valid ticket being presented. The system then accesses the railway ticket database and connects to a payment gateway, offering payment options such as Paytm and Google Pay. If the payment is successful, the process ends with either "E-Challan Payment Complete" or "Ticket Payment Complete." If unsuccessful, the user is prompted to retry the payment. This diagram represents how both fines and ticket payments are handled in an integrated manner.

3.3 UML Diagrams

3.3.1 Activity Diagram

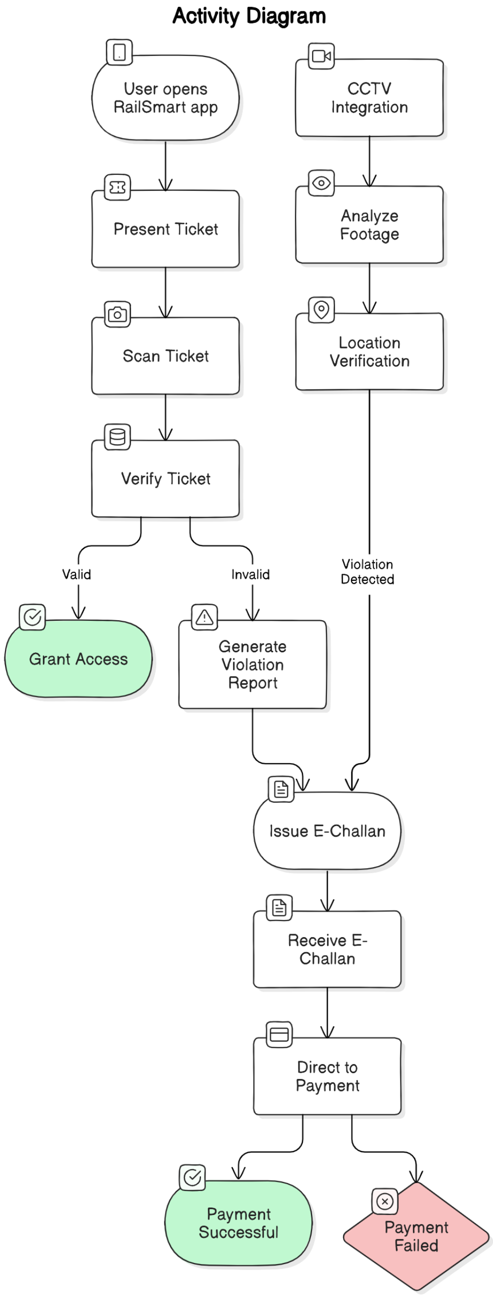

Figure 3.5: Activity Diagram

In Figure 3.5, An activity diagram in UML [6] illustrates the process of ticket validation in the RailSmart app, integrating CCTV footage analysis for location verification. Valid tickets grant access, while violations result in an E-Challan issuance. Users are directed to payment, which can either succeed or fail.

3.3.2 Use Case Diagram

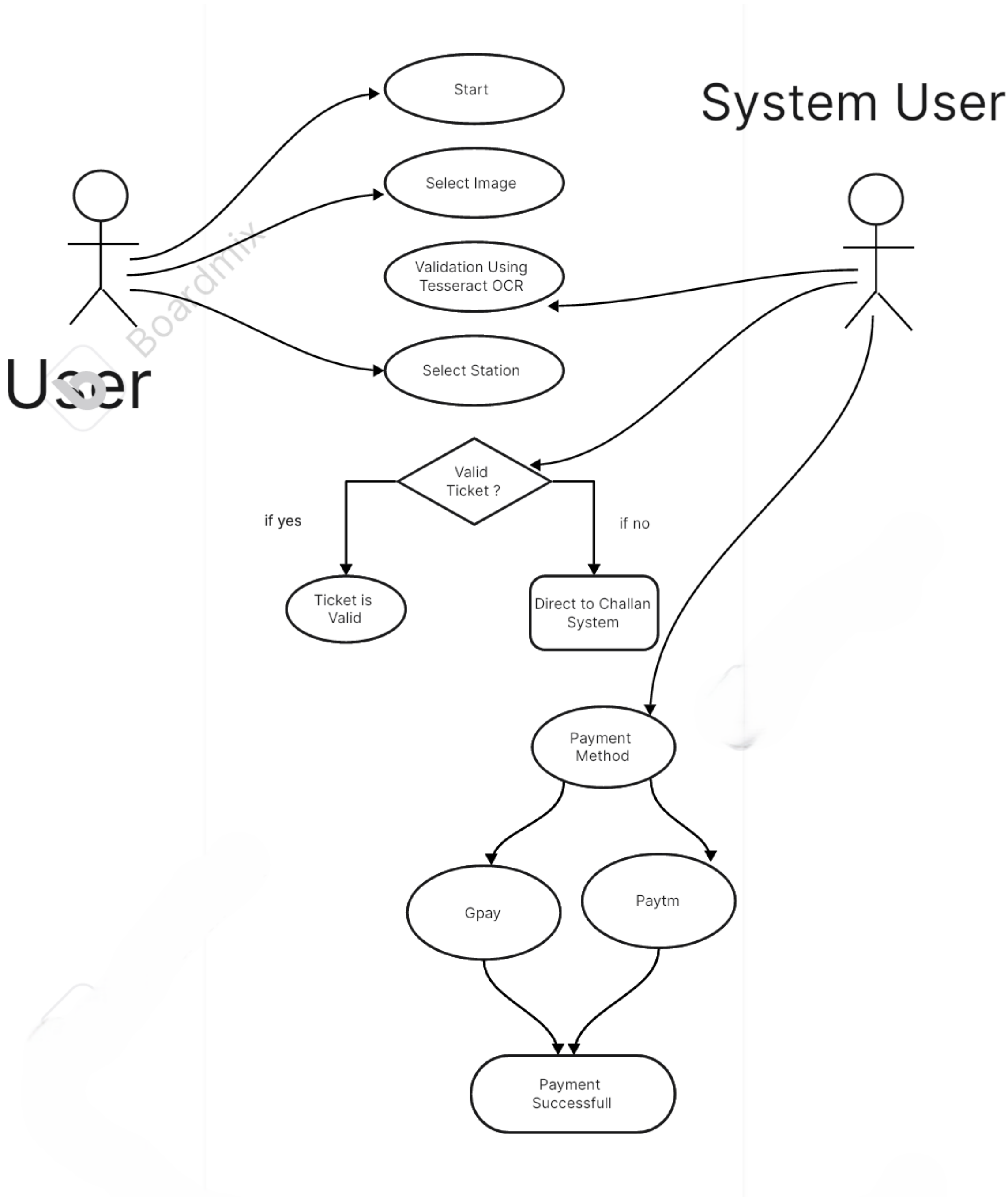

Figure 3.6: Use Case Diagram

Figure 3.6, A Use Case Diagram in UML [8]This use case diagram outlines a ticket validation and payment process involving two actors: the User and the System User. The User starts by selecting an image for validation, which is processed using Tesseract OCR to check ticket validity. After selecting a station, the system determines if the ticket is valid. If valid, the user is notified. If not, the system directs the user to the challan system. The User then chooses a payment method (GPay or Paytm) to settle the challan. Upon successful payment, the system confirms the transaction.

Chapter 4

Project Implementation

The project implementation phase involves translating the design and planned architecture into a functional system, incorporating key features and components to meet the project's objectives. During this phase, we focused on building the core functionalities of the system, including backend development, user interface creation, and real-time data processing. Emphasis was placed on ensuring seamless integration between different technologies and tools, optimizing performance, and maintaining system scalability. Code snippets and critical components were tested iteratively to ensure functionality, robustness, and security. The project also included automated documentation generation and analytics tracking, providing insights into user interactions and system performance. Overall, the implementation phase is the backbone of the project, where conceptual designs are transformed into a working solution ready for further testing and deployment.

4.1 Timeline Sem VII

As software development projects grow in complexity, the need for well-organized project management and clear milestones becomes critical. The timeline presented in this section highlights the progress of our project during Semester VII, tracking key milestones from the conceptualization phase to design, implementation, and testing. Each stage has been carefully planned to maintain efficiency, mitigate risks, and ensure alignment with project goals.

This project involves numerous tasks that demand close collaboration between team members and adherence to deadlines. The Gantt chart below visually represents the progress and scheduling of these tasks, illustrating how each activity contributes to the overall workflow. As seen in Figure 4.1, the timeline captures task dependencies, reflecting how one task's completion influences the next, and how any delays could affect the project as a whole. This is particularly important as modern development workflows often involve overlapping tasks, requiring careful coordination to avoid bottlenecks or inefficiencies.

Throughout the semester, the team has adhered to a structured project schedule, broken down into various phases, each addressing specific goals. Initial phases included defining project scope, researching methodologies, and laying out architectural foundations, while later stages focused on coding, integration, and testing. Regular review meetings and progress checks ensured that the project remained on track, allowing for adjustments in task prioritization where necessary.

In addition to mapping out task timelines, the Gantt chart (Figure 4.1) also incorporates task completion percentages, offering a clear view of project progress at a glance. The team faced challenges typical of large-scale development projects, such as the need to manage multi- ple concurrent tasks, ensure timely collaboration, and meet set deadlines for deliverables. Nonetheless, through strategic planning and regular updates, these challenges were met, allowing the team to progress smoothly through each phase of development.

Overall, this timeline serves as a comprehensive overview of the project's lifecycle during Semester VII, providing insight into how the team has managed the complexities of the project while adhering to deadlines and ensuring timely task completion.

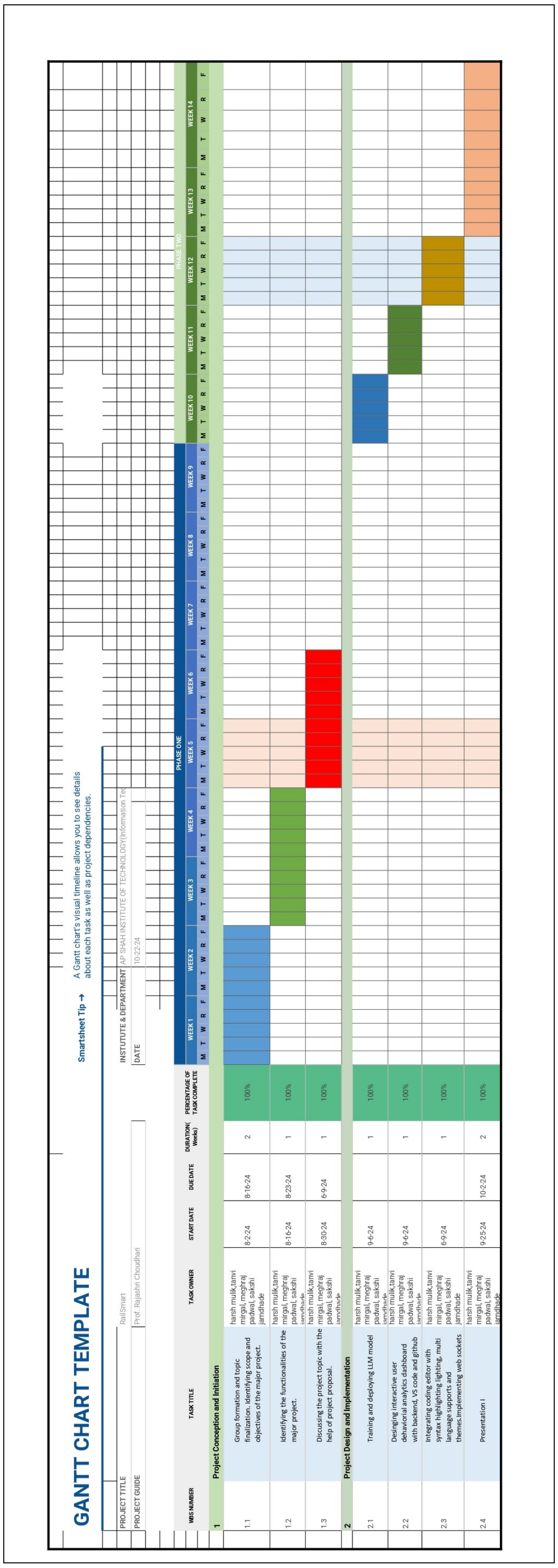

Figure 4.1: Timeline of the Project Milestones

4.2 System Prototype

The image depicts a mobile application interface designed for the RailSmart project, specifically focused on railway ticket validation. The app is titled "Railway Ticket Validator", reflecting its core functionality of scanning and validating railway tickets. At the center of the screen, it displays a message stating "No image selected", indicating that the user has not yet uploaded an image of the ticket.

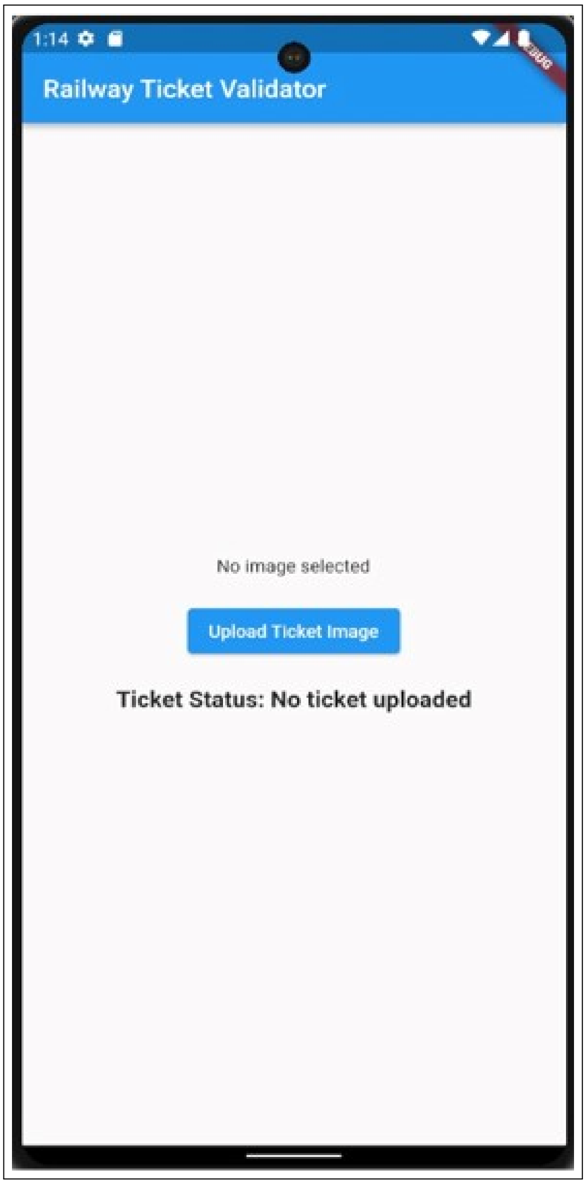

Figure 4.2: User Interface of Application

The figure 4.2 above this, there is a prominent "Upload Ticket Image" button, allowing users to submit their ticket for validation. At the bottom, the text "Ticket Status: No ticket uploaded" further emphasizes that no ticket has been provided yet. This interface is consistent with the project's objective of utilizing technologies like OCR for automated ticket scanning, ensuring a streamlined and user-friendly ticket validation process.

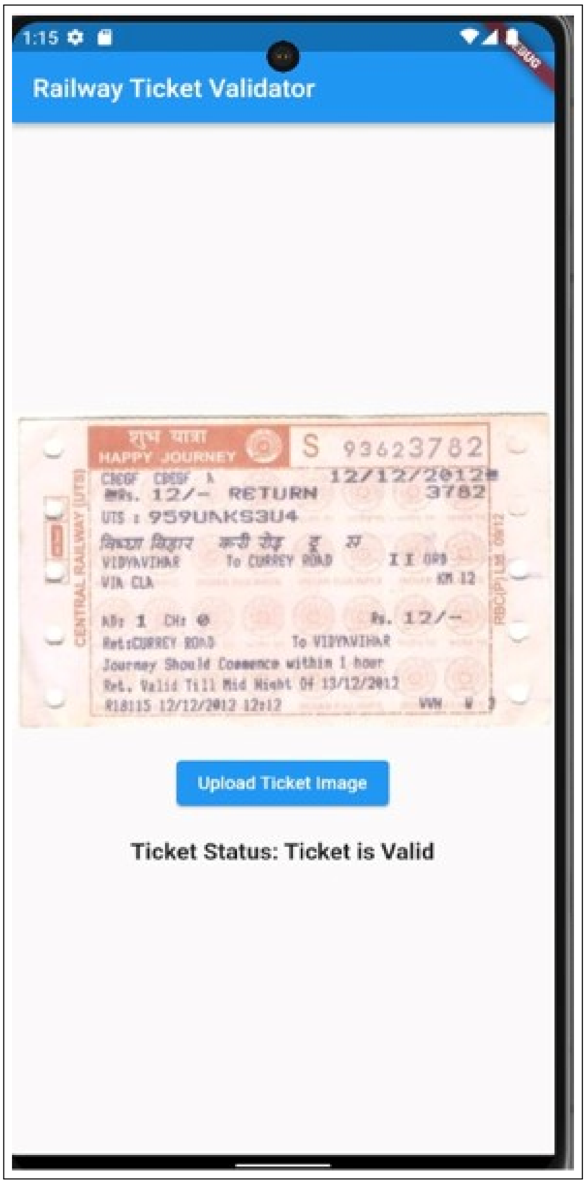

Figure 4.3: Ticket Uploading

The figure 4.3 displays an updated screen from the Railway Ticket Validator app, which is part of the RailSmart project for automated railway ticket validation. In this instance, a railway ticket has been successfully uploaded, and the image of the ticket is clearly visible in the center of the screen. The system has processed the ticket, as indicated by the status message at the bottom: "Ticket Status: Ticket is Valid". This suggests that the app has used its OCR (Optical Character Recognition) and validation algorithms to verify the authenticity of the ticket. The "Upload Ticket Image" button remains accessible for further uploads, but the interface now provides real-time feedback on the ticket's validity, ensuring that users are informed about the status of their journey in a seamless and automated manner. This aligns with the project's goal of improving efficiency in railway ticket validation using advanced technologies.

The figure 4.4 displays a menu from a mobile app associated with the Railsmart project, offering various ticket scanning options. Users can choose between "Scan by Offline Ticket," "Scan by QR Ticket," or "Scan by Digital Ticket." This interface is likely designed for ticket

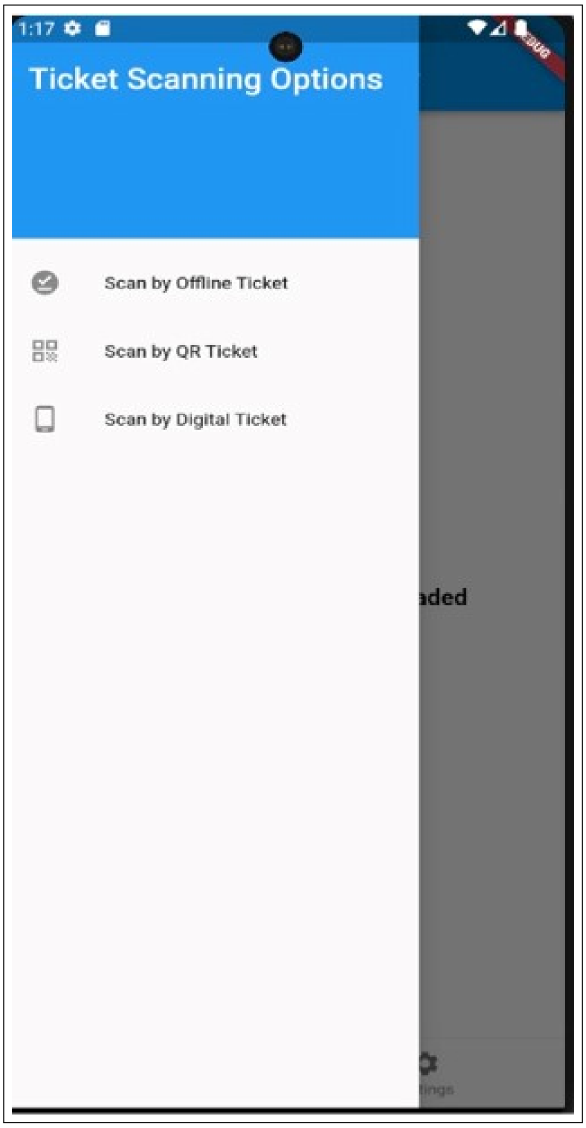

Figure 4.4: Other Options

validation within the Railsmart system, which could involve offline ticket verification, scanning QR codes for tickets, or using digital tickets from mobile devices, providing flexibility for different ticket formats.

Chapter 5

Summary

The RailSmart – Automated Local Railway Ticket Identification and Validation System project focused on developing an AI-driven platform to modernize and streamline railway ticket management. The system leverages machine learning models, including TensorFlow and PyTorch, to automate ticket validation, detect violations, and enforce fines efficiently. Key features include GPS-based validation, geofencing, Aadhaar-linked verification for secure identification, and integration with payment gateways like Paytm and Google Pay for seamless transactions. The project's backend, built using Node.js, Express.js, and MongoDB, manages ticket data securely and supports real-time insights into ticketing patterns and violations through a comprehensive dashboard. By automating these processes, the system aims to tackle challenges in traditional railway ticketing, such as long queues, ticket fraud, and slow fine collection. At this stage, 30 percent of the project has been completed, including the development of core modules and the initial version of the mobile application, which facilitates user registration and interaction. The system successfully integrates Tesseract OCR for automated ticket scanning, and CCTV for real-time violation detection, significantly improving the efficiency of railway operations. Conclusions drawn from the project highlight the impact of AI on improving the speed and security of ticket validation, the effectiveness of blockchain for transparent fine collection, and the operational efficiency gained through automation. Future work can focus on enhancing GPS accuracy through hybrid systems like GPS and Wi-Fi, optimizing machine learning models for more accurate violation detection in complex environments, and expanding the system's scalability to include other transportation networks, such as buses and metros. Additionally, the project could benefit from stronger encryption methods to bolster data security and the use of blockchain for broader applications, ensuring an efficient, secure, and transparent railway ticketing system.

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Appendices

Detailed information, lengthy derivations, raw experimental observations etc. are to be presented in the separate appendices, which shall be numbered in Roman Capitals (e.g. "Appendix I"). Since reference can be drawn to published/unpublished literature in the appendices these should precede the "Literature Cited" section.

Appendix-A: NS2 Download and Installation

1. Download ns-allinone-2.35.tar.gz from http://sourceforge.net/projects/nsnam/

2. Place ns-allinone-2.35.tar in your desired directory; like /home/vishal.

3. Go to terminal and do as following commands
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install automake autoconf libxmu-dev build-essential

4. Extract ns-allinone-2.35 and after extracting go to folder ns-allinone-2.35 from Terminal as
$cd ns-allinone-2.35
$./install

5. Path Setting
$ gedit .bashrc

This command will open an existing file in editor. Just put the following path which is given bellow. [Remember that our ns-allinone path is /home/vishal. we will change this path according to our ns-allinone folder's path]

export PATH=$PATH:/home/vishal/ns-allinone-2.35/bin:/home/vishal/ns-allinone-2.35/tcl8.5.10/unix/home/vishal/ns-allinone-2.35/tk8.5.10/unix

export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$LD_LIBRARY_PATH:/home/vishal/ns-allinone- 2.35/otcl-1.14:/home/vishal/ns-allinone-2.35/lib

export TCL_LIRARY_PATH=$TCL_LIBRARY_PATH:/home/vishal/ns-allinone-2.35/tcl8.5.10/library

After this save and exit.

6. Now type in terminal to check that, is all command we entered in .bashrc is correct or not? And To take the effect immediately
$source .bashrc

7. Then perform the validation test using this command.
$ ./validate

8. Run ns2 using this command
$ns

We will get % prompt in our terminal. Now ns2 has been installed.