The Auto Shop

**Preface**

I believe I have covered all the sections in the required detail, but I apologize if any section is lacking. I aim to have my project aim and exceed the M2 submission requirements – this was a bit of a tough deadline as it was in the heart of my 5 midterms :(. This is not an excuse, I simply want to provide a reasoning if the marker finds any of my sections less than expected. Thank you :).

**R1**

The Auto Shop is going to be a web-based service which allows users to both post their cars for sale and browse through cars for purchase. The sample dataset for this project will be created by hand using common knowledge and a few sample descriptions and images. The real dataset will be created through a program (will be accessible through the Git) using either a generative text API or some form of random but controlled generation. The administrators will be the Technology Operations team at The Auto Shop (just Araad Shams in this case), and the users will be any individual who has a car to sell or who needs to buy a car.

In specifics, this application will provide a user-to-user car selling service. Before making the purchase, the buyer will be able to see a description about the car, an image of the car, the company which made the car, the model name of the car, the make year of the car, the price of the car, contact information for the seller, and the odometer reading of the car. Additionally, the user will be able to see other cars made by the same company, other cars made in the same year, other cars near the same price range, and ratings/reviews of the seller. Additionally, the buyer will be able to see cars within a certain radius of his location. The seller will also be able to edit and delete their posts. The buyer will be able to review the seller provided that they have purchased from the seller.

**R2**

The Auto Shop will be built using MySQL as the DBMS support for the backend, and an express server connecting it to a React application. React will essentially be the entirety of the front-end and MySQL + Node.js+ Express will compose the backend. Postman will be used to test the MySQL queries, and once working, they will be integrated into the React App. That is the entire Stack that will be used for developing The Auto Shop.

**R3**

For the sample data, it will be manually hand entered and the plan of the attack for the real data that will populate the database is to create a program that, either through some Generative Text processing or through some randomization algorithm created, gives us appropriate entities and tuples that can work together and populate the database. They will be created according to the schema shown in the next section.

**R5**

**Diagram

Description automatically generated**

**Diagram, schematic

Description automatically generated**

**R6a – Interface**

This feature will be a basic search filter. For instance, if a person who is looking for a car has certain requirements on the type of car he is looking for where it may be made in a certain year, have less than a certain number on the odometer, be made by a certain company, etc. In the main page, the user will have certain check boxes and text inputs below the search bar that let them choose the filters, and then upon hitting an apply button, the query will run and the page will update to show cars that meet their requirements.

**R6b – SQL Template**

CALL AutoShopDB.get\_filtered\_cars(2012, 10000000, "Atlas");

This uses the stored procedure defined as below:

PROCEDURE `get\_filtered\_cars`(IN make\_year int, IN odometer\_max int, IN make\_wanted varchar(45))

BEGIN

SELECT \* from AutoShopDB.Car WHERE (make\_year = 0 OR year >= make\_year) AND (odometer\_max = 0 OR odometer <= odometer\_max) AND (make\_wanted = "" OR make = make\_wanted);

END

**R6b – Generated Output**



**R6b – Generated Output Text**

# cid desc img\_file price odometer sold sid mid make year

2 slow :( img.png $15.99 100 yes 1 2 Atlas 2012

**R7a – Interface**

This feature will be a basic reviews selection on the seller. Based on the car that the person is looking at, on the same page, reviews about the seller will be queried and shown with date and timestamps at the bottom of the page. The user’s rating will also be shown next to their profile name. This will allow the buyer to make a more informed purchase and they will know how trustworthy the person they are dealing with is

**R7b – SQL Template**

CALL AutoShopDB.get\_reviews(1);

This uses the stored procedure defined as below:

CREATE PROCEDURE `get\_reviews` (IN car\_id int)

BEGIN

SELECT \* FROM Reviews WHERE sid = (SELECT sid FROM Car WHERE Car.cid = car\_id);

END

**R7b – Generated Output**

Table

Description automatically generated

**R7b – Generated Output Text**

# rid review rating date bid sid

1 My favourite person in the world! 5 2015-12-10 00:00:00 1 1

2 What an amazing selllerrrr 5 2023-02-28 03:19:09 1 1

**R8a – Interface**

This feature will allow a buyer to buy a car from a seller. Once the car has been bought, the buyer will then be allowed to comment and write a review about the seller by navigating to the seller’s profile page and, once recognized that a valid transaction has been made between this buyer and seller, the buyer will be able to leave a review about the seller.

**R8b – SQL Template**

CALL AutoShopDB.add\_comment("What an amazing selllerrrr", 4.9, 1, 1);

This uses the stored procedure defined as below:

CREATE PROCEDURE `add\_comment` (IN review varchar(3000), IN rating decimal, IN buyer\_id int, IN seller\_id INT)

BEGIN

INSERT INTO AutoShopDB.Reviews VALUES (NULL, review, rating, NOW(), buyer\_id, seller\_id);

END

**R8b – Generated Output**

N/A, Insert Statement (will show some confirmation on the website UI though)

**R8b – Generated Output Text**

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**R9a – Interface**

This feature will allow users to only show sellers who are in a certain radius of their location. Using Long, Lat coordinates (determined at time of sign up), the buyer will be able to, on the main page, define a radius in which they want to search in, and then the SQL Query will remove all results that are outside of said radius.

**R9b – SQL Template**

CALL AutoShopDB.show\_sellers\_within(100, 1);

This uses the stored procedure defined as below:

CREATE PROCEDURE `show\_sellers\_within` (IN distance int, IN buyer\_id int)

BEGIN

SELECT \* FROM Car WHERE ABS((SELECT location FROM Buyer WHERE buyer\_id = Buyer.bid) - (SELECT location FROM Seller WHERE Seller.sid = Car.sid)) <= distance;

END

**R9b – Generated Output**



**R9b – Generated Output Text**

# cid desc img\_file price odometer sold sid mid make year

1 A FAST CAR img.png $15.99 100 not 1 1 Sienna 2022

2 slow :( img.png $15.99 100 yes 1 2 Atlas 2012

**R17**

This section does not pertain as I am working alone :D