

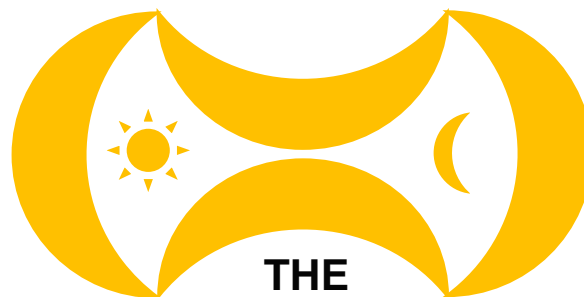
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Executive Summary

The idea chosen for this project is a BUS Guidance System, we named the project as **BUS Riya** meaning Bus. BUS Riya grants convenience, security and freedom for passengers to manage and check their trips using the public transportation more conveniently and safely.

“The main purpose of this project is to provide little relief as we can to hard working people who use public transportation to return to their loved ones”

Time is a precious commodity that must not be wasted in pain therefore to grant more convenience and safety to passengers using public transportation. We introduce a device on every bus that can gather information about a Bus's location, speed, free seat count. to people before boarding the bus.

With these they can get to know when their bus arrives and how many seats are available in it and also if the bus driver or the conductor is rude or unreasonable it can also be reported to the system for administrative consideration.

Buses equipped with BUS Riya device transmits its location, speed and passenger count every 5 seconds to the main servers. Using the WCF and PHP APIs People with BUS Riya installed on their smartphone (Windows, Android, IOS) can get the location of the nearest bus, how many free seats available and when it will arrive.

Introduction

This is the documentation of the chosen project idea of BUS Riya. BUS Riya grants clients to manage their public bus transportation usage in a convenient, secure and an independent way by using the mobile application and also grants bus owners to provide an efficient service to their passengers by identifying the current location in a comfortable manner.

As technology is developed widely and brought it to finger tips and as time is a precious commodity that must not be wasted, one of the main targets of BUS Riya is to ensure safety and provide a convenient service to passengers and improve the efficiency and the effectiveness of the public bus transportation. BUS Riya introduces a device for busses that will be able to gather information such as bus location, speed, the approximate time to reach a specific location and the seat availability for passengers. By collecting above data, passengers will be able to check when the bus arrives and the available seat capacity in the selected bus through the mobile application. Moreover, passengers nor the clients will be able to complain through the application itself if there are any inappropriate behaviours of the bus driver or the conductor or about the journey delays.

Buses equipped with BUS Riya device transmit each bus's location, speed and passenger count every five seconds and upload to the Database using the WEB API. Clients nor Passengers with BUS Riya mobile application installed on their smartphones will be able to find the nearest buses of the current location and the seat availability when the bus reaches for free without doubting their mobiles' platforms.

Limitation of System

- App can be only use within a specified area.
- The pressure sensors we use to determine the available free seat capacity can sometimes be false, dues to different body weights of people.
- Arrival time can vary due to road conditions and traffic therefore a near estimate is calculated to get the arrival time.

Analysis and Design

Problem Identification

As the major problem found, the passengers use public bus transportation without knowing which bus arrives at what time. Therefore, passengers usually miss buses and even get late for work and school.

The Main problems are classified as below,

- **Inefficiency and Ineffectiveness**
In present, most of the buses do not arrive to pick up points on time and also keep stopping more than the given time period.
- **Bus Drivers / Conductors Inappropriate Behaviours**
Bus drivers' and conductors' inappropriate behaviour is common problem, and also passengers can't complain about those issues easily.
- **Seat Availability**
The passengers cannot check available seats of the buses without getting in. Some busses are full of passengers.
- **Bus Schedule**
In present system, the passengers can't check bus schedule and available buses on a specific date and a time.
- **Bus Owner's Lack of Knowledge**
The owner doesn't have a clue about the travelling of his/her bus.

Considering the above identified problems and situations, an idea called BUS Riya was formulated to satisfy above mentioned problems and the project criteria are to be accomplished.

Proposed Solution

As all problems can be remedied through technology, the answer to this problem is all computer science. By building a distributed application that can function as a bus guidance system. By overcoming the above realized weaknesses, BUS Riya- Bus Guidance System can be finally obtained as system that any user will be able to use without any limitations.

Effective and Efficiency

The clients can easily check the current location and find the nearest busses accordingly and even can check the bus schedule and make a reminder as wishes by providing only a very limited amount of user inputs.

Legitimate Memberships

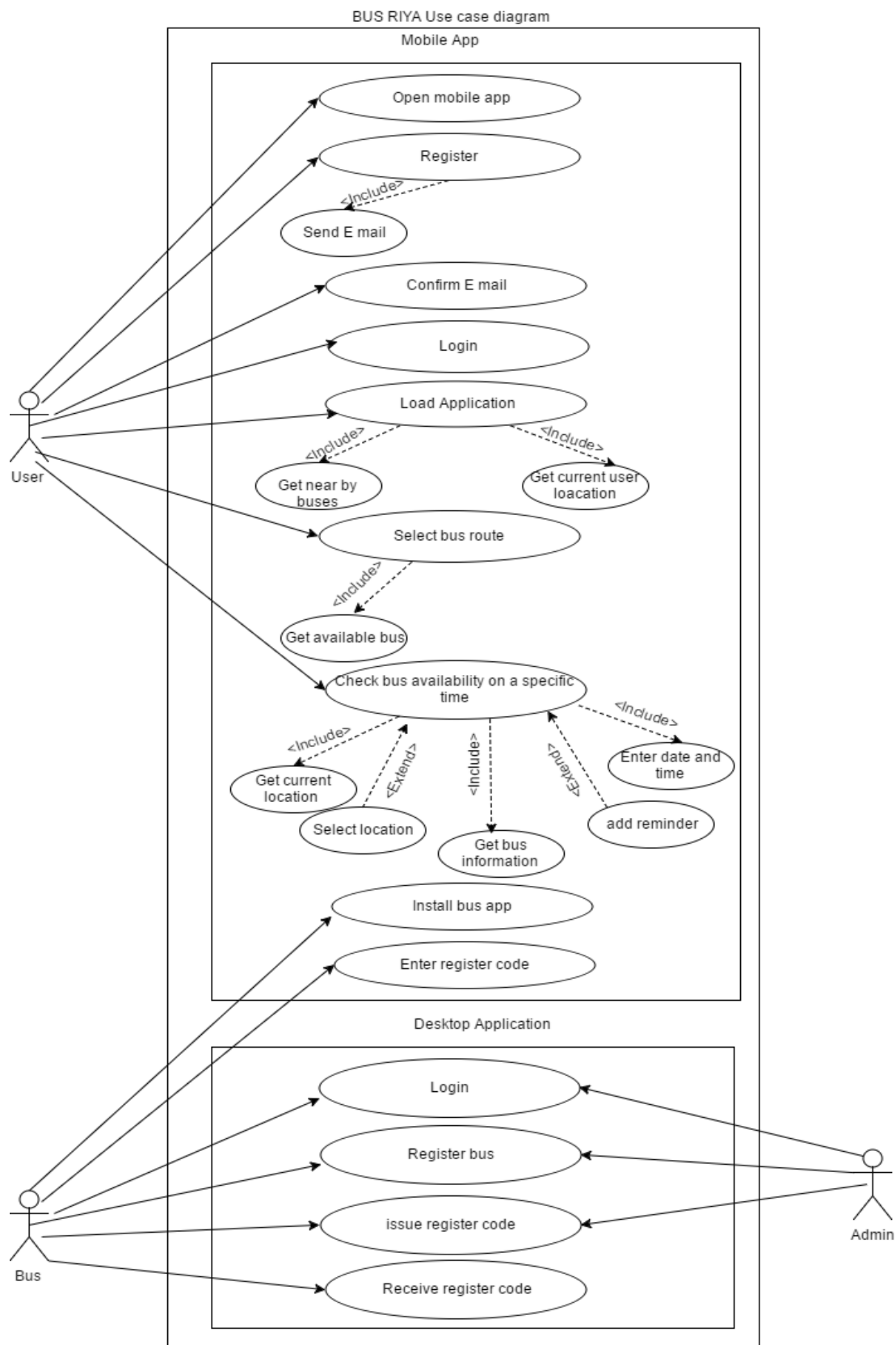
Unique client and bus owner identification and the bus identification is generated to uniquely identify clients, bus owners and busses.

System Stability

The system is divided into parts to avoid system crash.

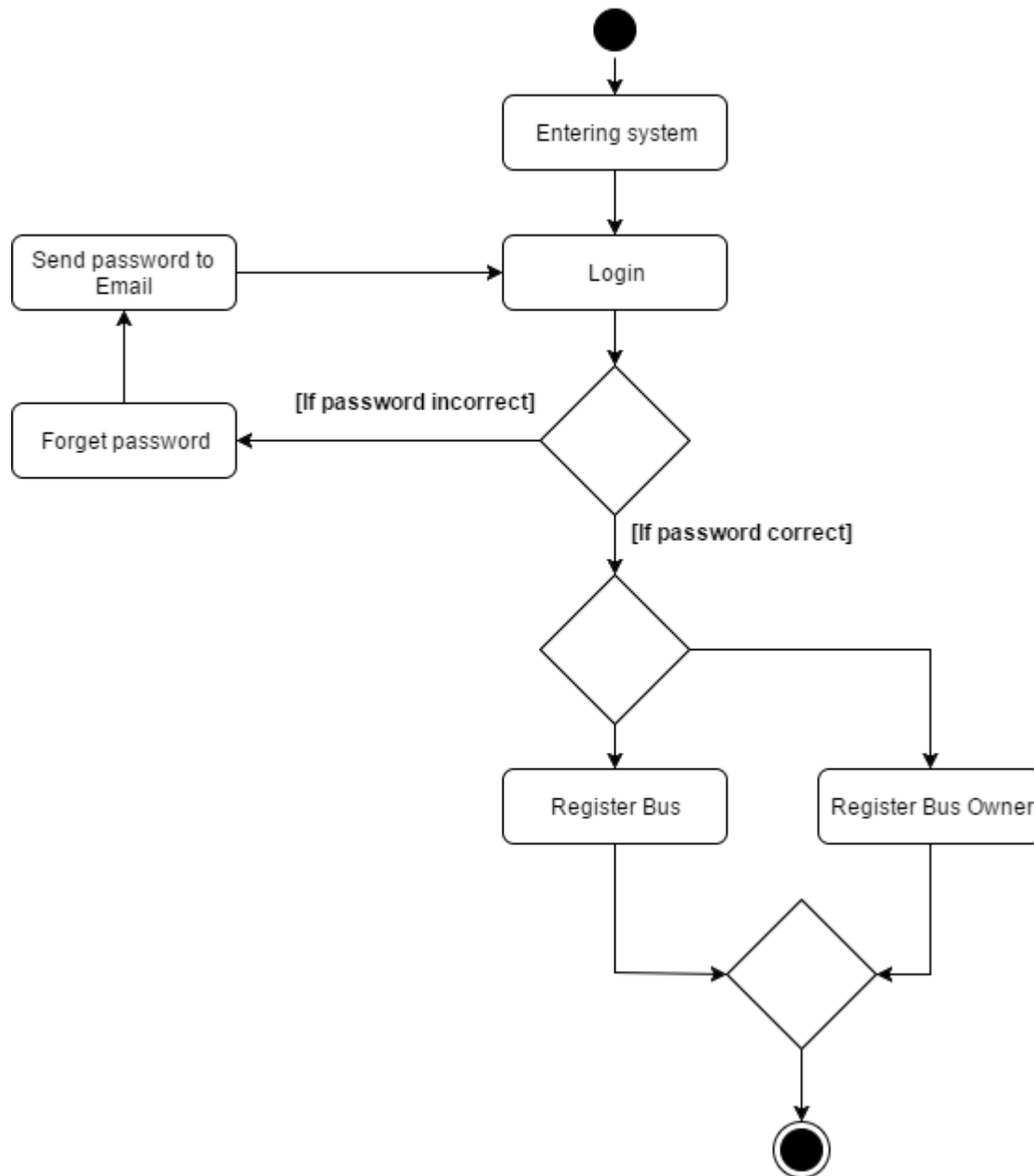
UML Diagrams

Use Case

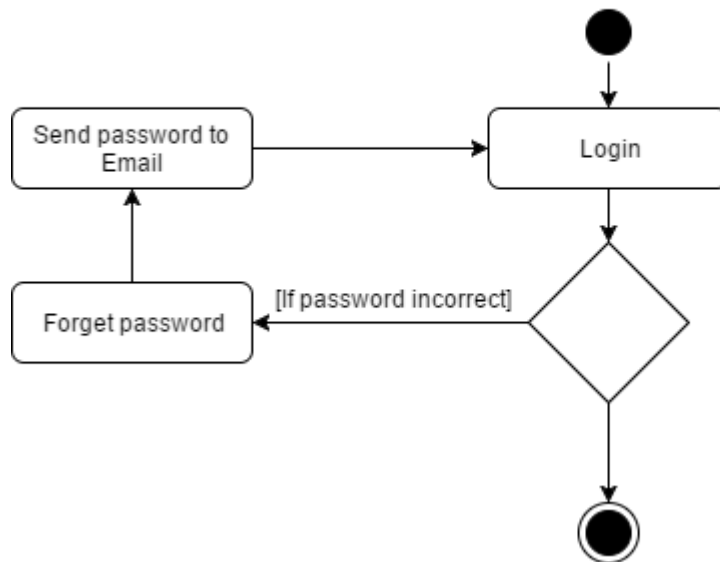


Activity Diagrams

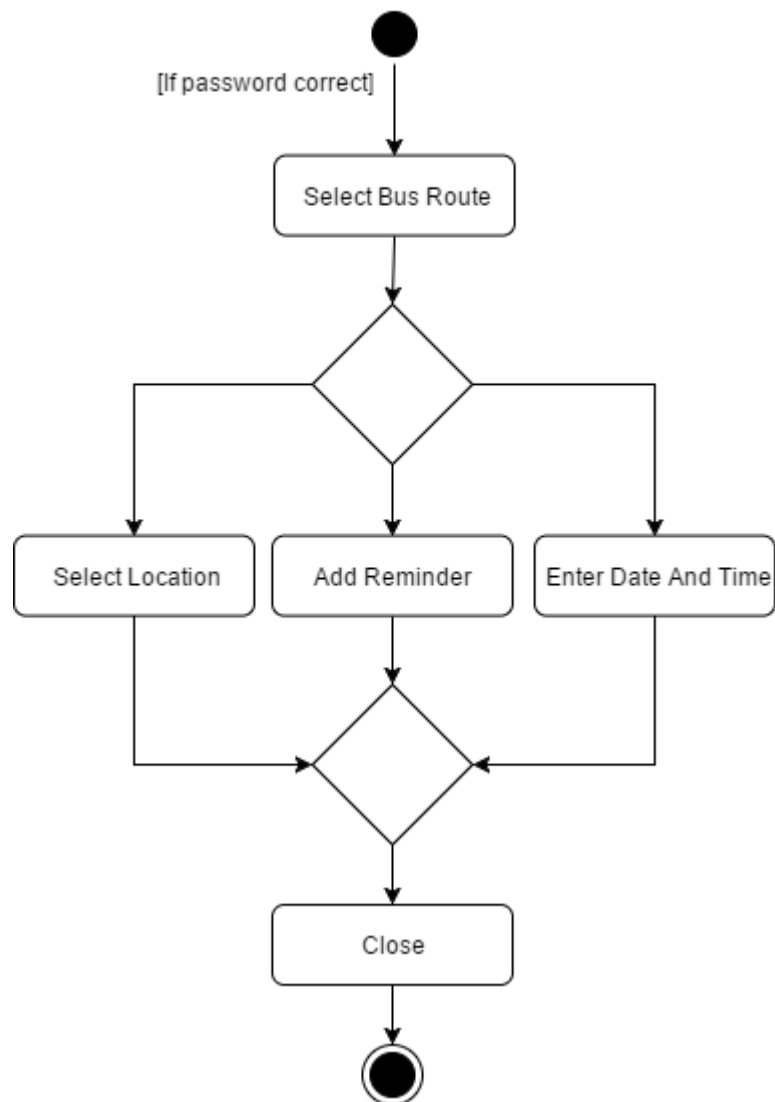
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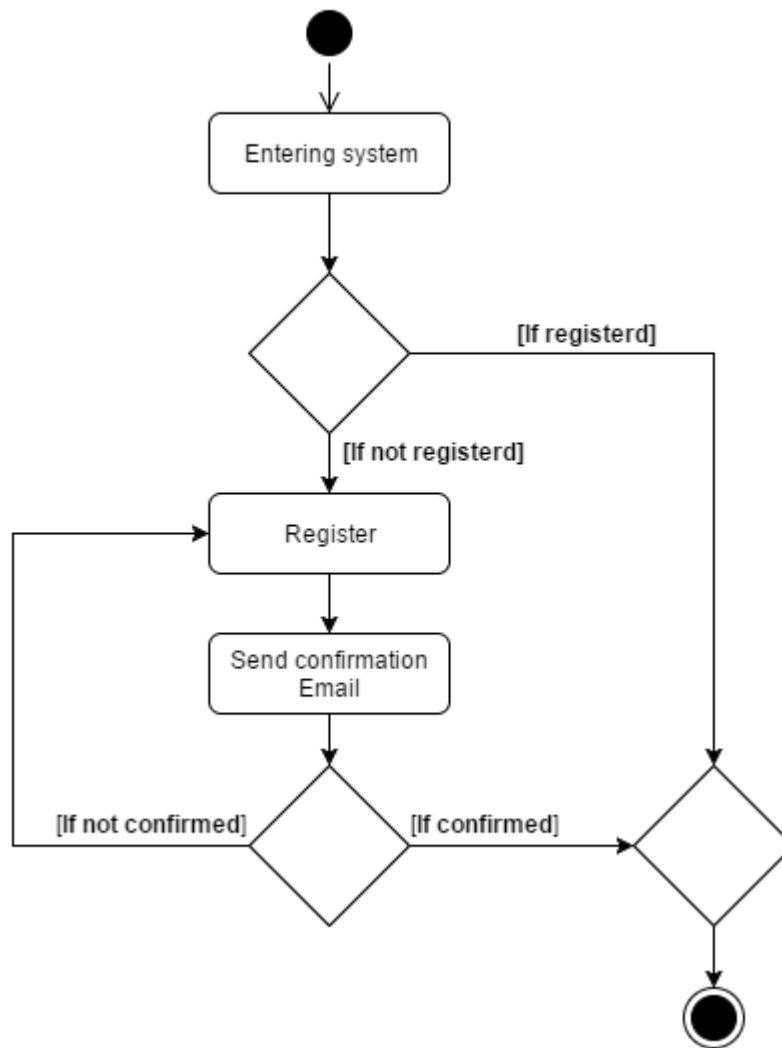
DESKTOP/MOBILE Forgot My Password Activity



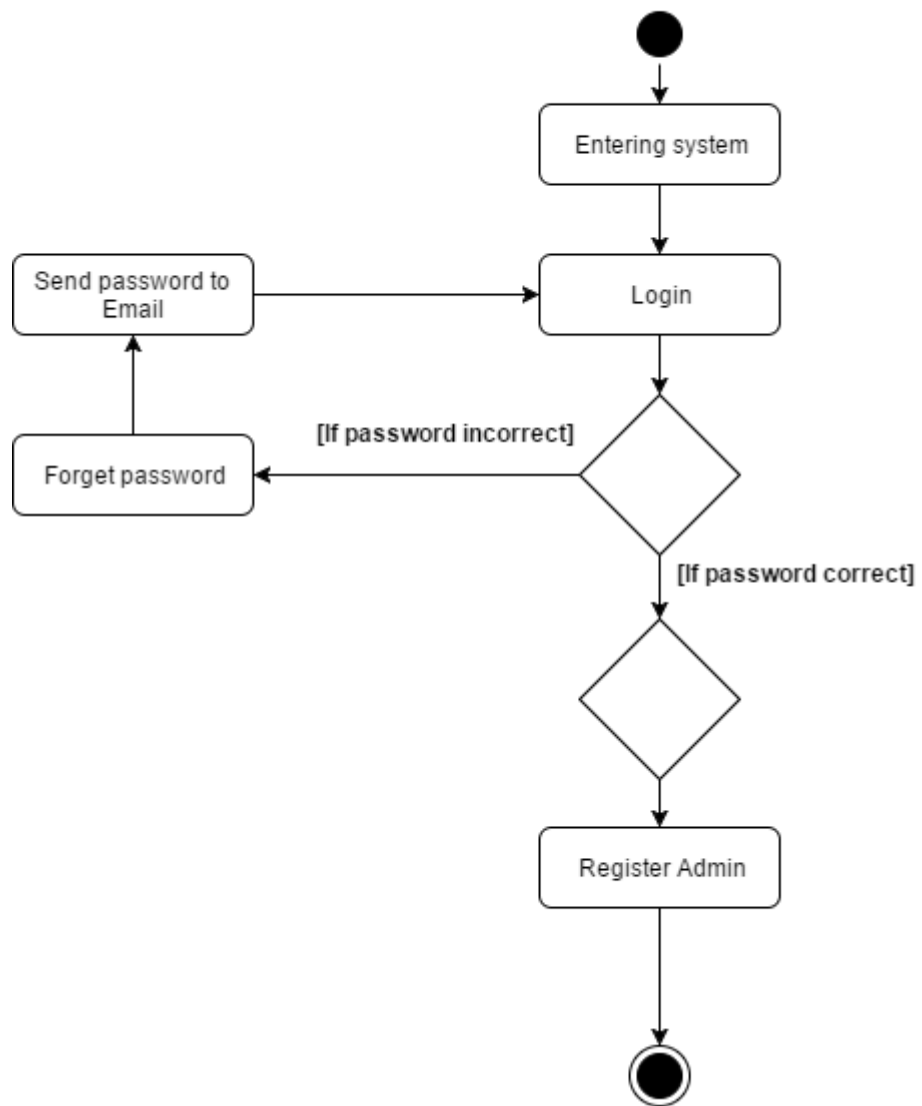
MOBILE Home Activity



DESKTOP/MOBILE Register Activity

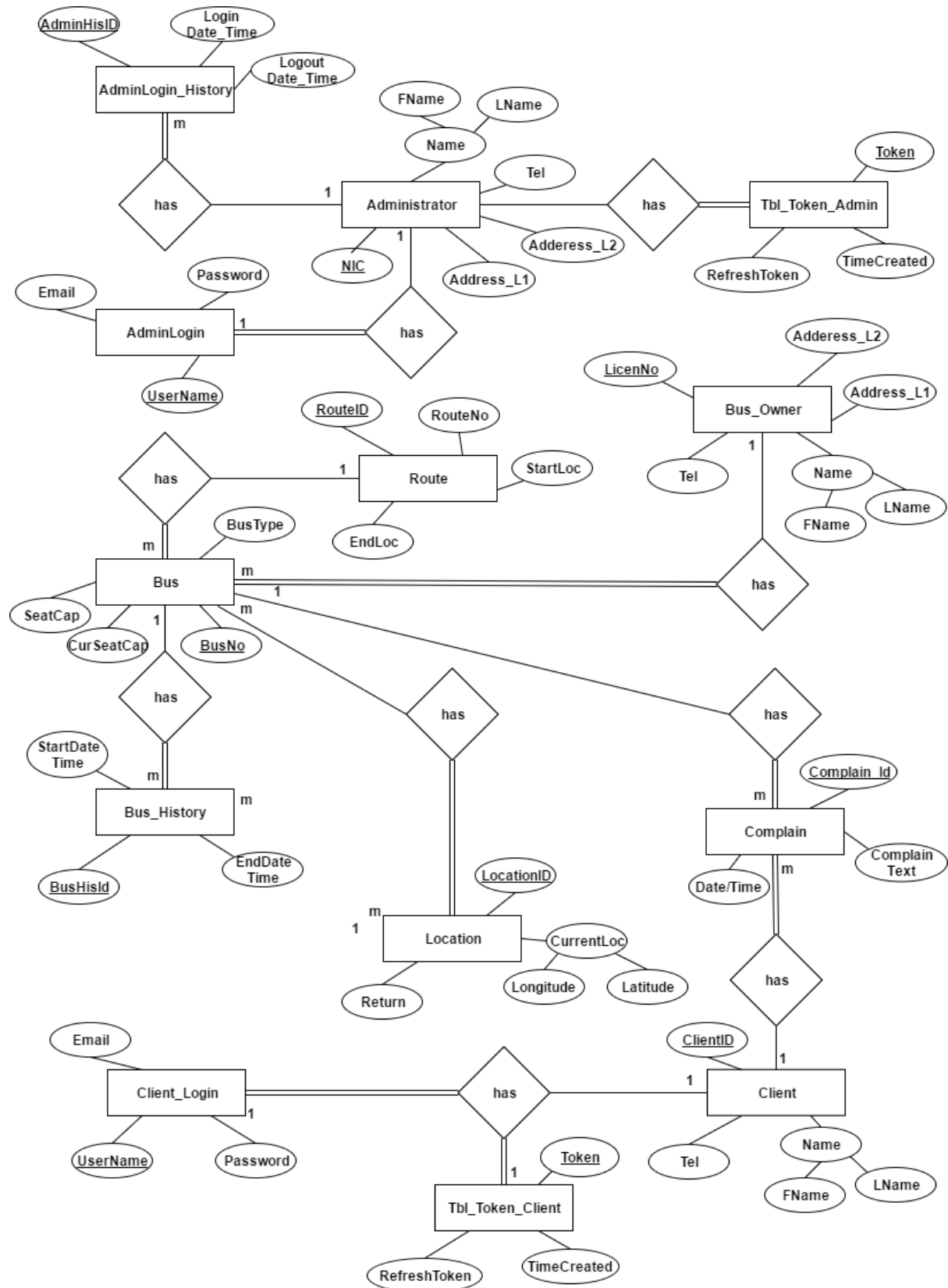


DESKTOP Register Admin Activity



Database

Entity Relationship Diagram



Normalized Database

Database Name: busriya_v1

Table: AdminLogin

<u>username</u>	nic	password	email
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Table: AdminLogin_History

<u>adminhisid</u>	nic	login_datetime	logout_datetime
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Table: Client

<u>client_id</u>	fname	lname	tel
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Table: ClientLogin

<u>username</u>	client_id	password	email
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Table: Tbl_Token_client

<u>token</u>	username	time_created	refresh_token
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Table: Tbl_Token_admin

<u>token</u>	usernme	time_created	refresh_token
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Table: Route

<u>route_id</u>	route_no	start_loc	end_loc
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Table: Bus_Owner

<u>license_no</u>	fname	lname	address1	address2	tel
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Table: Bus

<u>bus_no</u>	license_no	route id	bus_type	seat_cap	cur_seat_cap
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Table: Bus_History

<u>bus_hisid</u>	bus_no	start_date_time	end_date_time
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Table: Location

<u>loc_id</u>	cur_longitude	cur_latitude	return	bus_no
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Table: Complain

<u>complain_id</u>	client_id	bus_no	date_time	complain_text
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Features of the System

BUS Riya helps passengers to manage their public bus transportation usage easily in a convenient, secure and an independent way by a few steps with their finger tips and the bus owners to provide an efficient and effective service as passengers expect.

As a result of bus owner/driver and the bus get registered with BUS Riya through the BUS Riya desktop application, any bus will be able to be a part of BUS Riya service. By the device that BUS Riya introduces to every bus after the registration, gathers information about bus locations, speeds, seat availability of every journey and uploads to database in every five seconds through WEB API. Furthermore, the BUS Riya free-mobile application that runs in any mobile platform which can be used by any passenger will be able to check the nearest busses to the current location, bus schedule, the approximate time duration that the bus takes to reach a specific location and also the seat availability of the selected bus through the mobile application. Furthermore, the mobile application itself provides the feature of complaining about inappropriate behaviours and delays for the passengers to ensure the convenient and the secure service.

Used software applications: Visual Studio Ultimate 2015, XAMPP, NetBeans, Intel XDE, Cordova

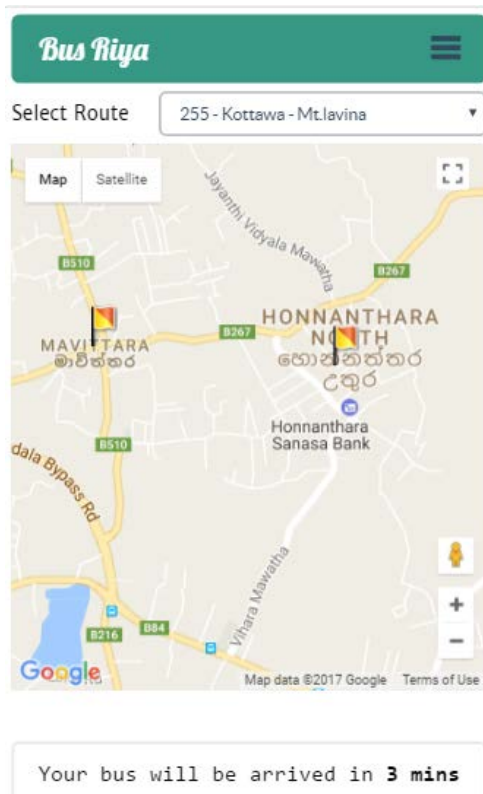
Implementation of Features

- **Effective and Convenient Search of the Nearest Bus**
The passenger or the client who uses the mobile application would be able to search the nearest buses and a customized search can also be performed to filter busses according to the route number.
- **Data Security**
All data stored are protected with an encryption that can only be decrypted by the administrator username and password. The database access keys are changed regularly to prevent unauthorized access and also the client who uses mobile app also can secure the account created by a username and a password.
- **Easy to Use Graphical User Interface (GUI)**
Users can use the system with ease with the help of the elegant design and the structure of the system GUI.
- **Portability**
Mobile application provides multiple number of users to access the application without complications.
- **Client and Bus Owner/Driver Registration**
The client and bus owner/ driver will get an email for confirmation after registering with the system and the bus owner receives a register code for each bus registers to log with the application that bus owner/driver has to access with the system.

Passenger Mobile Application

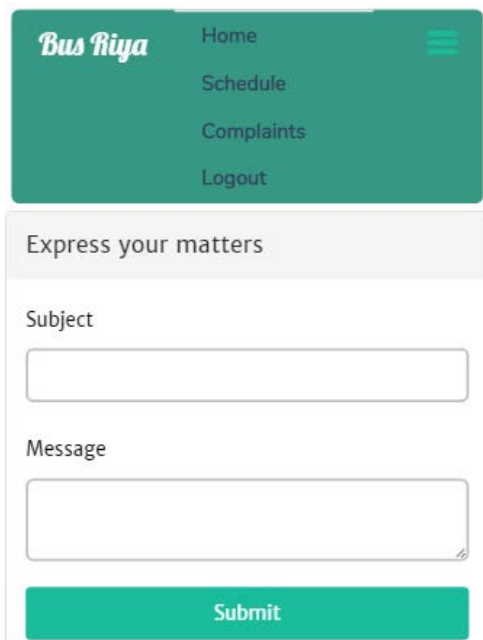
This application is used by the client to get the location, time of arrival and available seat capacity of buses closer to their location.

Home Screen



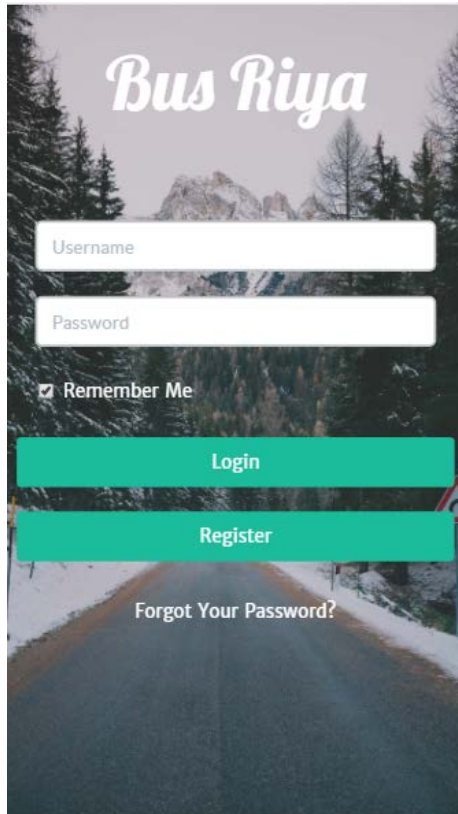
Through this screen client can see his/her current location and the available buses of the selected bus route and also the nearest bus to client is shown with an estimated arrival time.

Navigation Panel



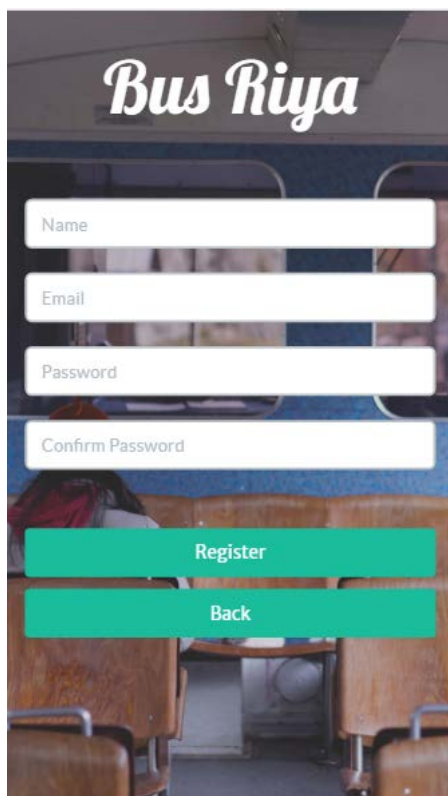
This is the navigational area of the app that provides access to specific sections of the app.

Log In Screen

The login screen for the Bus Riya app features a scenic background of a snowy mountain road. At the top, the app's logo "Bus Riya" is displayed in a white, stylized font. Below the logo, there are two white input fields for "Username" and "Password". A checkbox labeled "Remember Me" is positioned below the password field. Two prominent green buttons, "Login" and "Register", are stacked vertically. At the bottom, a link "Forgot Your Password?" is visible.

This is the login screen of the app used to by the client to gain access to the system.

Registration Screen

The registration screen for the Bus Riya app has a background image of the interior of a bus. The "Bus Riya" logo is at the top. The form consists of four white input fields: "Name", "Email", "Password", and "Confirm Password". Below these fields are two green buttons, "Register" and "Back", stacked vertically.

If the client does not have an account already in the BUS Riya, by directing to above shown Register screen through the login page it provides a few easy steps to enter name, email, password and confirm password to register and after the registration is done client receives an email automatically as the confirmation email.

Bus Schedule Screen

The screenshot shows the 'Bus Riya' app interface. At the top is a green header with the app name and a menu icon. Below it is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text 'Search for...'. The main content area displays the title '255 - Kottawa - Piliyandala Bus Schedule'. Below the title is a table with two columns: 'Time' and 'Halt'. The table lists the following schedule:

Time	Halt
09:00 am	Kottawa Bus Stand
09:20 am	Pinhena Junction
09:30 am	Sikurada Pola
09:40 am	Elvitigala MW
09:55 am	Siddamulla
10:10 am	Kudamaduwa
10:15 am	Honnanthara
10:20 am	Mawiththara
10:25 am	Miriswaththa
10:35 am	Piliyandala

Clients also will be able to check the bus schedule of any specific bus through the above screen. Furthermore, will be able to set an alarm or a reminder of any record needed.

Complain Screen

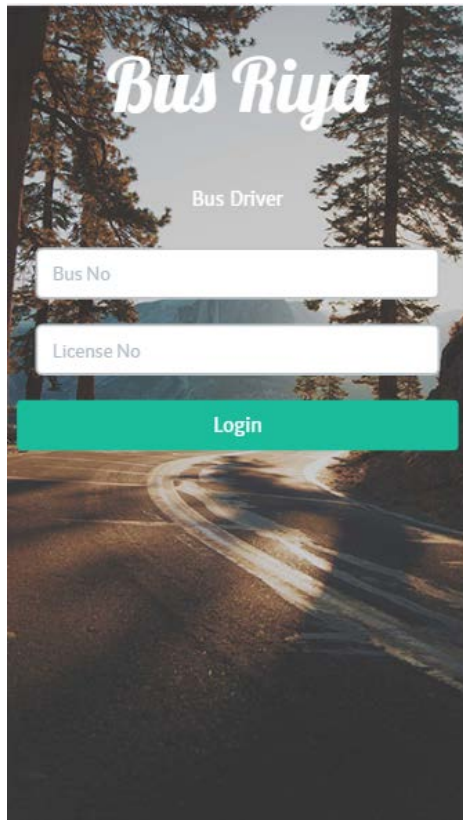
The screenshot shows the 'Bus Riya' app interface for the complaint screen. It features a green header with the app name and a menu icon. Below the header is a section titled 'Express your matters'. This section contains two input fields: 'Subject' and 'Message'. The 'Subject' field is a single-line text input, and the 'Message' field is a multi-line text input. At the bottom of the form is a green 'Submit' button.

Through the shown screen client will be able to complain about the bus delays or the bus driver's or the conductor's inappropriate behaviours through the application itself easily.

Bus Driver Mobile Application

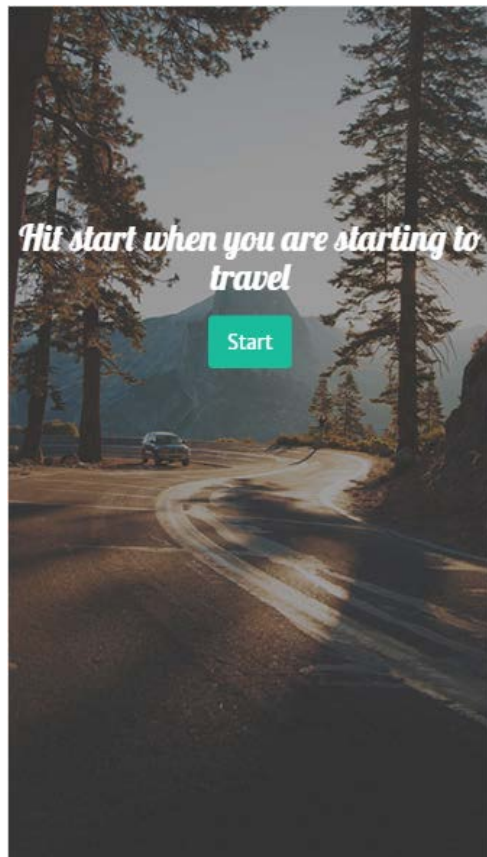
This application is used by the driver of the bus to transmits the location of the bus.

First Run Screen



This is screen is shown only once when the application is first installed. This provides bus identification details to the system.

Journey Start/End Screen

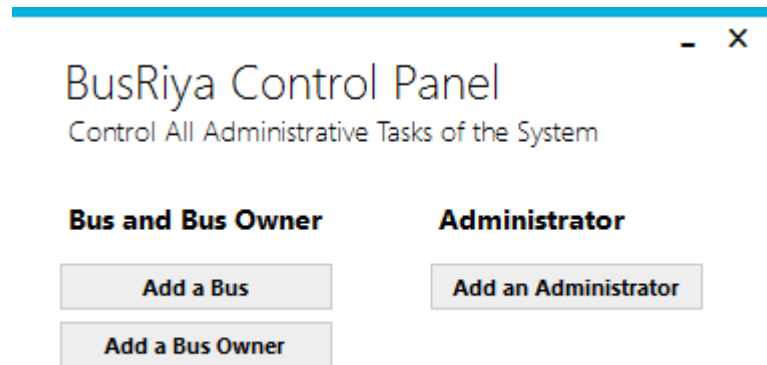


The bus driver must hit Start when beginning the journey and hit Stop when reached the destination.

Desktop Application

This application is used by the company to perform administrative task on the system.

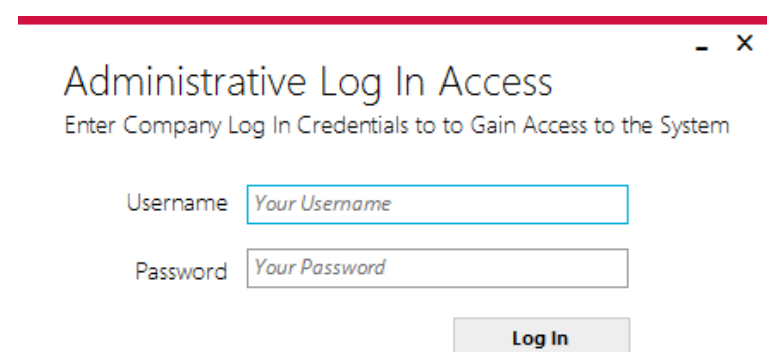
Control Panel



The screenshot shows a desktop application window titled "BusRiya Control Panel" with the subtitle "Control All Administrative Tasks of the System". The window has a blue header bar with standard window controls (minimize, maximize, close). The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column is titled "Bus and Bus Owner" and contains two buttons: "Add a Bus" and "Add a Bus Owner". The right column is titled "Administrator" and contains one button: "Add an Administrator".

Through this screen an administrator can add buses, bus owners, and more administrators.

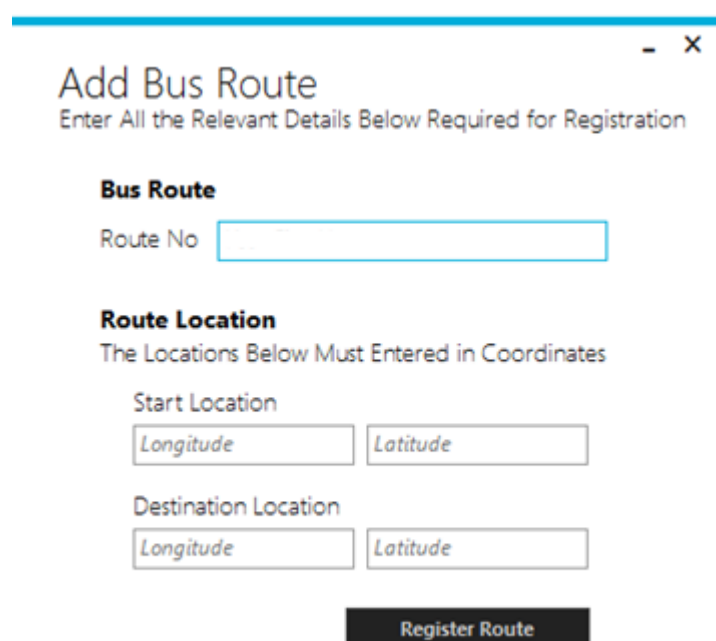
Log In Screen



The screenshot shows a desktop application window titled "Administrative Log In Access" with the subtitle "Enter Company Log In Credentials to to Gain Access to the System". The window has a red header bar with standard window controls. The main content area contains two input fields: "Username" with a placeholder "Your Username" and "Password" with a placeholder "Your Password". Below these fields is a "Log In" button.

This is the administrative login screen of the system which grants access to the system.

Add Bus Route



The screenshot shows a desktop application window titled "Add Bus Route" with the subtitle "Enter All the Relevant Details Below Required for Registration". The window has a blue header bar with standard window controls. The main content area is divided into two sections. The first section is titled "Bus Route" and contains a "Route No" input field. The second section is titled "Route Location" with the subtitle "The Locations Below Must Entered in Coordinates". It contains two groups of input fields: "Start Location" with "Longitude" and "Latitude" fields, and "Destination Location" with "Longitude" and "Latitude" fields. At the bottom of the form is a "Register Route" button.

This window is used to add new bus route to the system. By filling the above form user can add new bus routes to the system.

Register Administrator Screen

Register New Administrator

Enter All the Relevant Details Below Required for Registration

Personal Details

First Name

Your First Name

Last Name

Your Last Name

Telephone

Your Telephone

Address

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Login Credentials

Username

Your Username

Email

Your Email

Password

Your Password

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Confirm Password

Confirm Your Password

☐ I Accept All the TC of BUS Riya

Register Administrator

When adding a new system user to the system, current valid user need to use above window with the register form. Current User need to register new user with valid data and assign him/her with new user name and a password.

Register Bus Owner Screen

Register Bus Owner

Enter All the Relevant Details Below Required for Registration

Personal Details

First Name

Your First Name

Last Name

Your Last Name

Telephone

Your Telephone

Address

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Transportation Authority

License Number

Your DMV License

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Register Bus Owner

When a new bus entered to the system, system requires the bus owner details also. System user need to use the above window to register bus owner with valid data about the bus owner.

Bus Registration Screen

Register Bus

Enter All the Relevant Details Below Required for Registration

Bus Owner Identity

License Number

Your DMV License

Full Name:

Mobile:

Bus Details

Bus Registration

Bus Registration Number

Seat Capacity

Maximum Seat Capacity

Bus Type

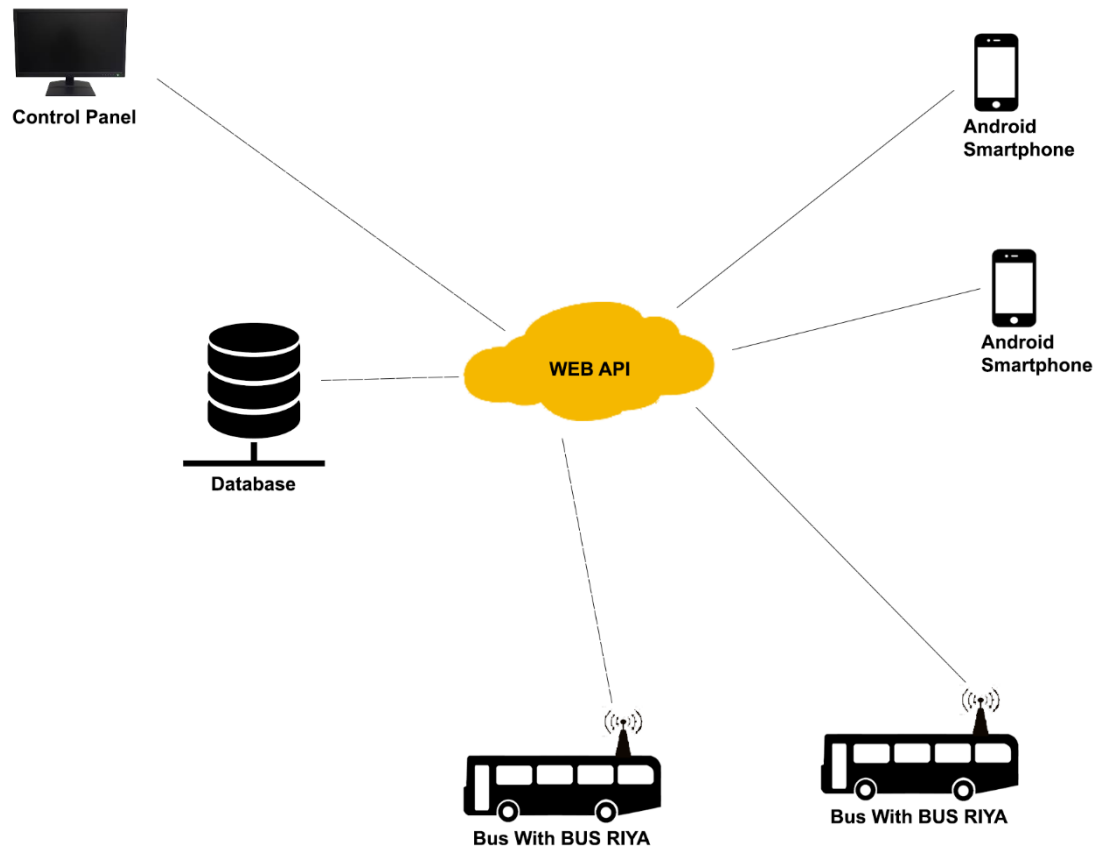
Route No

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Register Bus Owner

When a new bus need to register in the Bus Riya system, Desktop application user need to fill the above form which is displayed on Bus register window with valid data.

Structure of the Whole System



Utilized Technologies

The system comprises of three main applications (Mobile, Desktop, Server, Electronic Device)

Server Application

This is the base communication stream of the system which handles all the data transmissions of Mobile, Desktop and Electronic Device Applications.

WCF

Acts as the middleware of the system for data transmissions. This framework which is also called as WCF is used for build the service oriented an application to send data as asynchronous messages from one service end point to another.

MySQL

Database Management System of the server which communicates through WCF and the Web API.

PHP API

Acts as the alternate middleware of the server. This API is utilized in case of communication failure with the WCF service.

Newton Soft JSON

Handle the serialization and deserialization of data.

Mobile Application

This mobile application is a hybrid mobile application capable of running on all smartphone platforms present to the day. Handle all the features of the client side.

Apache Cordova

This platform grants the application its cross platform capability.

Google Map APIs

Handles all map based location features of the system.

- **Distance Matrix Service**

Google's Distance Matrix service is used in order to generate travel distance and travel duration between bus and the user.

- **Google Map Marker**

used in order to display a map on screen and show bus's and user's location with markers.

Geolocation Web API

This API is used to obtain the device's current latitude and longitude and handles all location features

JQuery based AJAX

Handles request and responses from/to the server.

App Framework 3 and Twitter Bootstrap 3

Used to create the GUIs.

HTML5/CSS

Used to create the GUIs.

Desktop Application

This desktop application is only windows based and handles all the administrative features of the system.

REST Sharp

Used to communicate with the server for data transmission. As a result of REST Sharp is an effective library for any sort of .NET innovation, it is used for Windows Phone to utilize REST or SOAP to communicate with external data.

Newton Soft JSON

Handle the serialization and deserialization of data.

Metro Modern UI

Used to create the GUIs.

Problem Faced during Implementation of the System

As a group project our common idea is we have succeeded. Finalize output is fully distributed system. When through overall the development process there are various areas that we should deeply concern about. They are how to choose a distribute technology, how we provide a commercial value from this system, what are the crucial features that need to provide in whole application and how to manage heterogenetic capability. Before this project we never implemented a system like this. So lack of experience was a main disadvantage. These are categorized list of problems,

Managing The Time

Managing the time with the other module exams and project was challenging. To manage time overall project tasks are divided among all group members and made our own deadlines to finish those tasks. As a result of that able to finish the whole project before given deadline.

Self-Study and Understanding New Programming And Technology Concepts

We have developed this application using the c# language. So selecting a distributed technology is a huge part in the research level. After going through several technologies finally RESTful web API and WCF concept was chosen. For this application we have used 4 frameworks. They are WCF, Pure API, Rest Sharp and Cordova. Understanding the developing concepts about these frameworks was not an easy task. Little bit struggled while developing the android application due to lack of experience. We have to find a way to access external server by sending requests through an android device. Eventually understood the concepts and resolved all developing issues.

Provide A Commercial Value from The System

Adding a commercial value to project was a challenge. For this we have created an app using Cordova so that it can run on any mobile platform. How to work as a group and getting the idea about managing the time well is additional advantages that learned except the new programming technologies.

Team Contribution

We used Bit Bucket (<https://bitbucket.org/>) one of the versioning systems to share our project files within team members. Each upload their part once they have added a new feature. Since only a maximum of four people can work on a project at the same time in the free version of bit bucket Shamika and Prageeth had to share one account.

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Basura (20%)

Created the WCF service, the alternate API from PHP and the desktop application. Contributed to the construction of the mobile application.

- WCF Server
- PHP API Server
- Desktop Application
- Mobile Application

Chamodhi (20%)

Created the database design, UML Diagrams and contributed to the desktop application. Wrote the report and related code related to JSON Strings.

- Desktop Application
- Database
- UML Diagrams

Dulan (20%)

Created the cross platform mobile application and contributed to the development of the desktop application.

- Desktop Application
- Mobile Application
- UML Diagrams

Prageeth (20%)

Created the database design, UML Diagrams and contributed to the desktop application.

- Desktop Application
- Database
- UML Diagrams

Shamika (20%)

Created the database design, UML Diagrams and contributed to the desktop application.

- Desktop Application
- Database
- UML Diagrams

