Neighbor

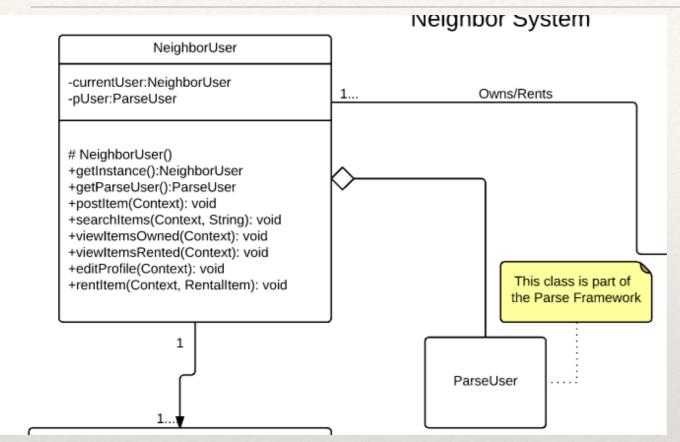
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Overview

- * Android Application built to enable the 'Renting' of various items.
- Client/Server Architecture
- Parse Backend Cloud Services
- * The 'craigslist' of renting rather than purchasing!



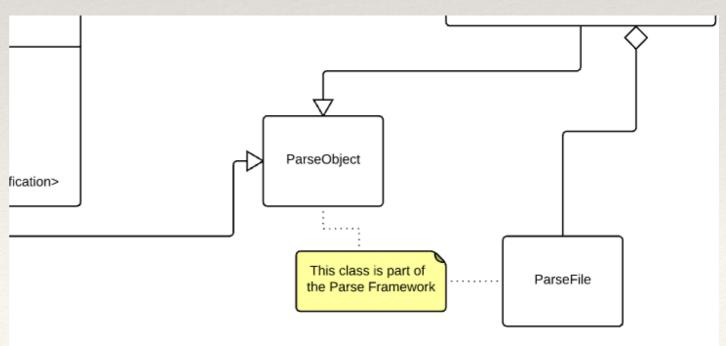
Class Diagram



ParseUser is a class provided by the Parse Framework. Our NeighborUser has an Aggregation relationship to the ParseUser.

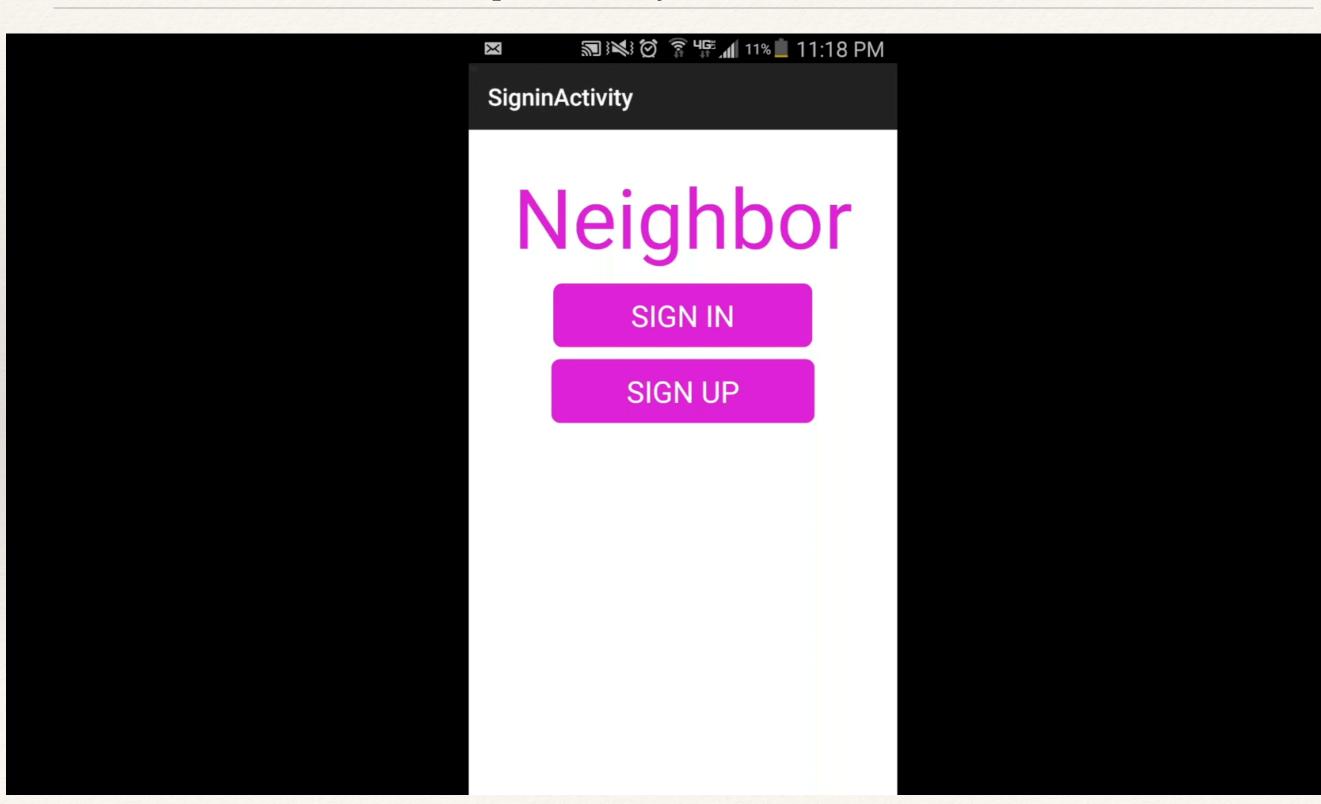
ParseUser provides useful functions such as Log In/Log out, and the ParseUser ID acts as the primary key in the database.

Two of our other Classes extend the ParseObject superclass which is also a class in Parse. This is necessary for how the ORM for Parse works.



Demo!

Link to video demo: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zQ0o6CS5bPQ



Design Patterns

- Singleton implement on NeighborUser
- * NeighborUser acts as a facade for ParseUser. Provides a simple interface to ParseUser.

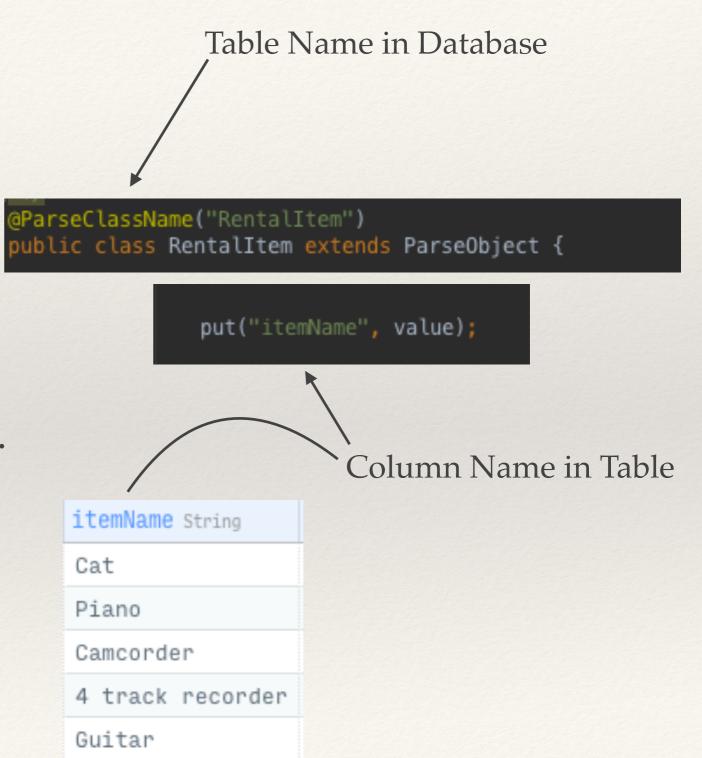
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private static NeighborUser currentUser = null;
private static ParseUser pUser;

protected NeighborUser() {
    // This defeats instantiation.
}

public static NeighborUser getInstance() {
    if (currentUser == null) {
        currentUser = new NeighborUser();
    }
    pUser = ParseUser.getCurrentUser();
    return currentUser;
}
```

Making use of an ORM

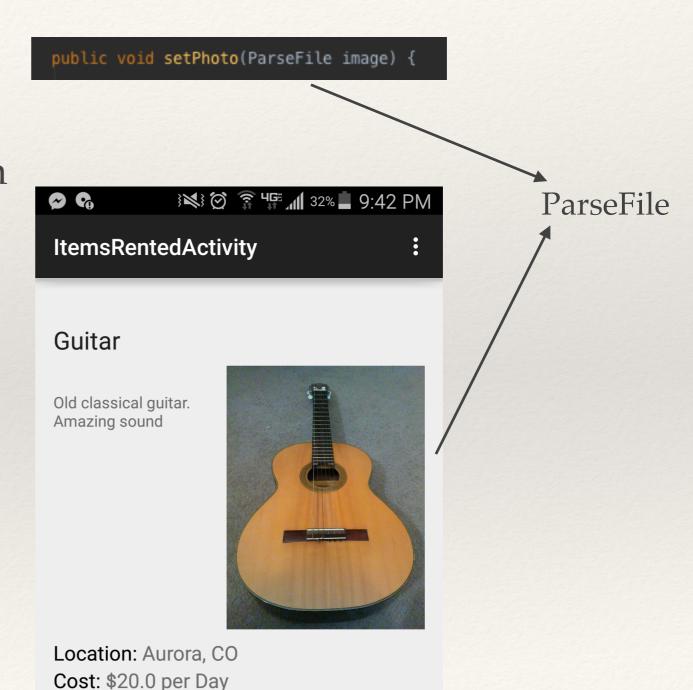
- * Parse provides, alongside a cloud-based database and backend services, an ORM which allows us to map instantiations of our classes to rows inside the database tables.
- Same idea as Hibernate, but different Syntax and/or Implementation.



Some related terminology...

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- * ParseFile is a specific class
 Parse provides which also is a
 data type allowed for a column
 inside the Parse database. This
 data type can hold pictures
 and, interestingly enough, the
 class implements Serializable.
- * Thus, our pictures are actually stored as byte streams inside the database, under the class ParseFile.



Summary

* The construction of Neighbor into a full-fledged and fully functional application was a massive learning experience in which we implemented many OO concepts and topics covered in this course.

