Use Case Descriptions: Player Matchmaking

Match Players Based on Experience Level

Iteration: 1, modified March 5 by Irith

Primary Actor: Game Platform

Goal in Context: Match a player with another player whose experience level is close to theirs.

Preconditions:

The platform includes matchmaking functionality.

• The player has an assigned experience level.

• There are available players with similar experience levels.

Trigger: A player initiates a matchmaking request.

Scenario:

- 1. The player requests to find a match.
- 2. The platform searches for available opponents with a similar experience level.
- 3. If multiple suitable opponents are found, one is selected randomly.
- 4. The players are placed into a match.

Exceptions:

• If no suitable match is found, the platform expands the search range or increases wait time before attempting another match.

Priority: Essential

When Available: First increment Frequency of Use: Many times a day

Channel to Actor: Via device Secondary Actors: Players

Channels to Secondary Actors: Via device and platform

Adjust Matchmaking Based on Session Intensity

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Primary Actor: Game Platform

Goal in Context: Ensure dynamic matchmaking by adjusting matchmaking preferences based on a player's session intensity.

Preconditions:

• The platform includes matchmaking functionality.

- The player has an assigned session intensity score.
- There are available opponents with varying experience levels.

Trigger: A player initiates a matchmaking request.

Scenario:

1. The player requests to find a match.

- 2. The platform retrieves the player's experience level and session intensity.
- 3. The platform calculates the effective matchmaking level as (experience level \times session intensity).
- 4. The platform searches for opponents with experience levels within an acceptable range of the effective matchmaking level.
- 5. A suitable opponent is selected and matched with the player.

Exceptions:

• If no suitable match is found, the platform gradually broadens the search criteria.

Priority: Medium-High

When Available: First increment Frequency of Use: Many times a day

Channel to Actor: Via device Secondary Actors: Players

Channels to Secondary Actors: Via device and platform

Handle Matchmaking for Highly Skilled Players

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Primary Actor: Game Platform

Goal in Context: Ensure highly skilled players can still find matches without excessive wait times.

Preconditions:

• The platform includes matchmaking functionality.

- The player has an assigned experience level and session intensity.
- The player is among the top-ranked players with limited opponents available.

Trigger: A highly skilled player initiates a matchmaking request.

Scenario:

- 1. The player requests a match.
- 2. The platform attempts to find an opponent with a similar experience level.
- 3. If no immediate match is found, the platform gradually expands the matchmaking criteria:
 - o Increasing the acceptable range of experience levels.
 - o Prioritizing players with high session intensity to maintain a challenge.
- 4. Once a match is found, the players are paired, and the game begins.

Exceptions:

• If no match is found after an extended period, the platform may offer alternative options, such as AI opponents or matchmaking across regions.

Priority: High

When Available: First increment

Frequency of Use: Multiple times a day

Channel to Actor: Via device Secondary Actors: Players

Channels to Secondary Actors: Via device and platform