




Project: Red Pony

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Problem

- Traditionally, access to items in a physical world is restricted by physical laws
 - Location
 - Time
- Items in the digital realm are not restricted in this way
- This is often an advantage, but can sometimes be a burden
 - Items that belong to a location
 - Items that should not be shared
 - Items that should expire

Goal

- To create a framework for enforcing physical access restrictions for digital files
 - Tie digital files to the physical world
- To create an application that uses the framework and demonstrates its applicability
 - Location restrictions
 - Time restrictions

Proposed Solution

The Astral Framework

- Server-side framework for storing and providing access to files with location and time restrictions
- Tools
 - MongoDB
 - SSL
 - Node.js RESTful API
 - JSON Web Token authentication

Phylo

- File Sharing
 - Share files to locations
 - Create rooms
 - File sharing
 - Discussion
- Tools
 - Ionic
 - AngularJS
 - HTML5

The Astral Framework

Requirements

- Purpose
 - Enforce location and time restrictions
- Responsibilities
 - Files
 - Users
- Scalability
 - Ability to support large applications
- Applicability
 - General purpose
 - Useful for a wide variety of applications

Access Control

- Server-side access control
- Location
 - Query database for files within a threshold of location
- Time
 - Query database for files with expirations greater than current time
 - Use location to determine local time

Responsibilities

Files

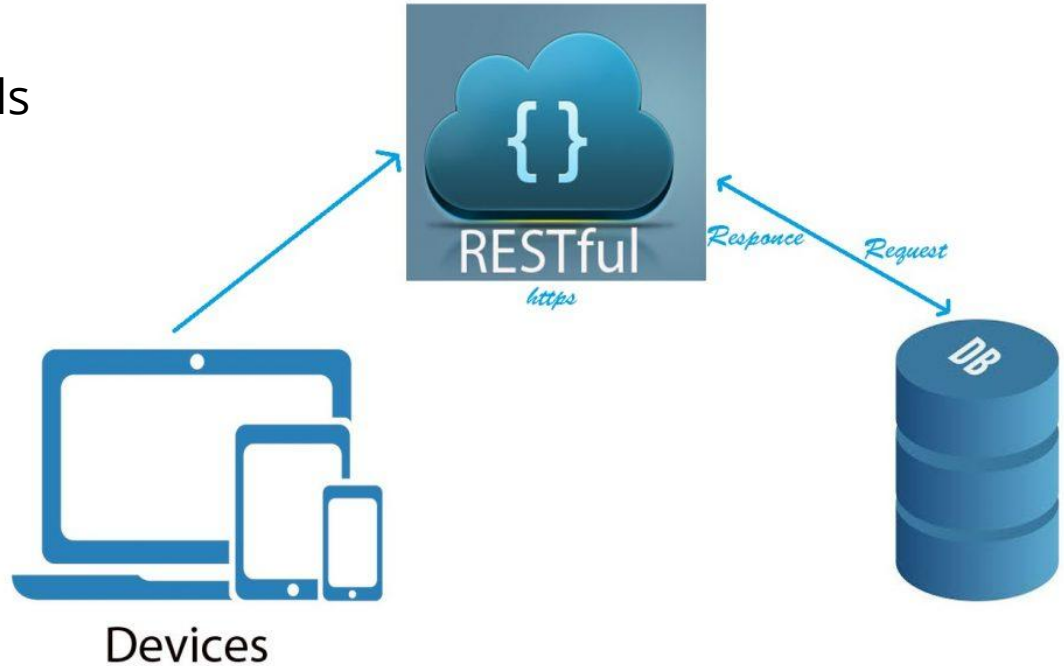
- Attributes
 - Name
 - Author
 - Location
 - Expiration
 - Data
- When user requests files, return those within radius of user location

Users

- Data
 - Phone
 - Username
 - Password
 - Data
- Allow users to create accounts
- Allow users to login

Scalability

- Use popular, scalable tools
 - Node.js
 - MongoDB (Mongoose)
- RESTful API
 - Create new file/user
 - Read file/user
 - Update existing file/user
 - Delete file/user



Applicability

- Scavenger hunt application
- Generating foot-traffic for businesses
- Local social networks
- Virtual Classroom
- Community applications

Tools

MongoDB

- NoSQL database
- JSON Objects
- Roles: admin, user
- Advantages
 - Cross Platform
 - High performance
 - Complex queries
 - Scalable



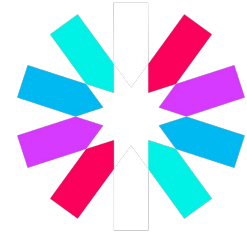
Node.js

- Asynchronous event driven JavaScript runtime
- Advantages
 - Javascript
 - Lightweight
 - Efficient
 - Scalable



Security

- Secure Socket Layer (SSL)
 - Establish an encrypted layer between server and client
- Authentication
 - Two-factor
 - Phone-number verification code
 - JSON Web Tokens
 - Password for recoverability
 - Login with google
- Passwords
 - User passwords are hashed with salt **then** stored
 - Logins will compare hashes



Competition

- MongoDB, MySQL
 - **Not complete** - developers need to implement location and time access restrictions
- Google, Facebook, etc
 - **Does** provide user management
 - **Does not** provide file management
 - **Does not** enforce location or time access restrictions





Phylo

Overview

File sharing over the Physical world

- Access Restrictions
 - Location
 - Time
 - User ID
 - User demographic
- Virtual rooms
 - Reflect physical locations
 - File sharing
 - Discussion

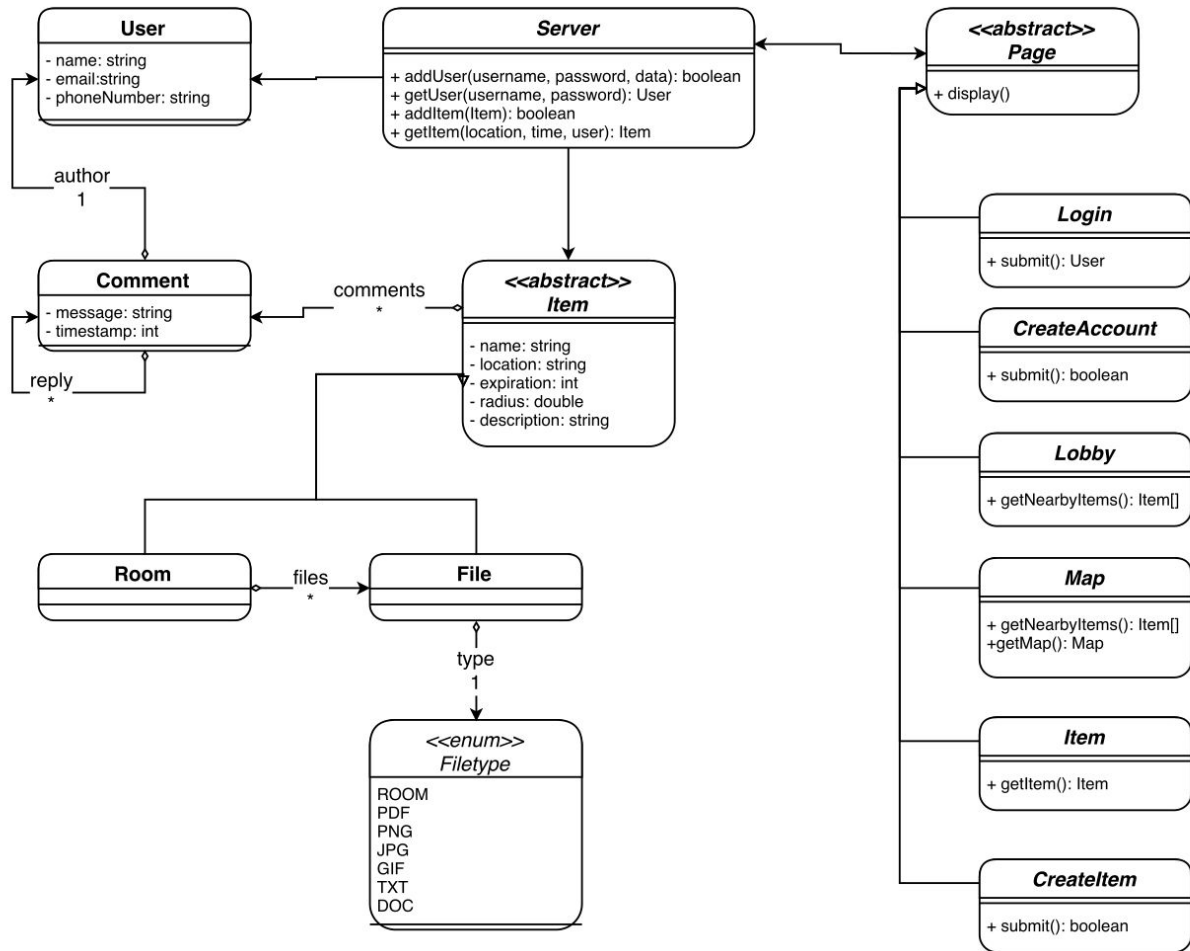
Sharing Files

- Users can drop files to their location
- Users can access files, if they meet requirements
 - File location must fall within user radius
 - File expiration must be in the future
 - For some files, users must have a valid user ID (have been invited)
 - For some files, users must belong to a certain demographic
- Users can see a heatmap of files that exist outside the radius
 - No content
 - Only otherwise available files

Virtual Rooms

- Users can create virtual rooms at their location
- Virtual rooms only show up to invited members
 - Room must fall within user radius
 - Expiration must be in the future
 - Restricted by user ID (invitation)

UML



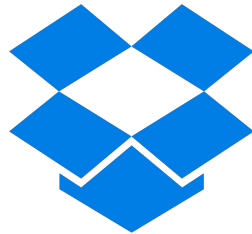
Ionic

- Framework for mobile application development with web technologies
 - Javascript
 - AngularJS
 - HTML5
- Free and open source
- Fully cross-platform
- Command Line Interface (CLI)
 - Developing
 - Testing on different platforms (IOS, Android, etc.)

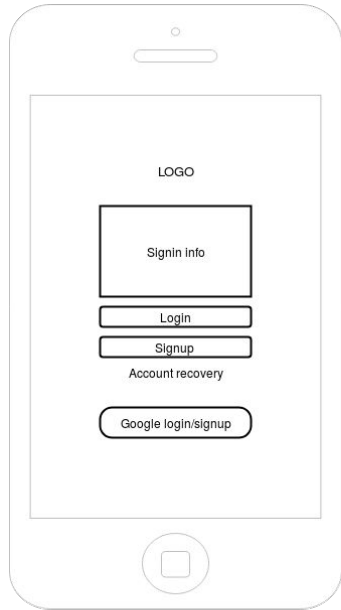


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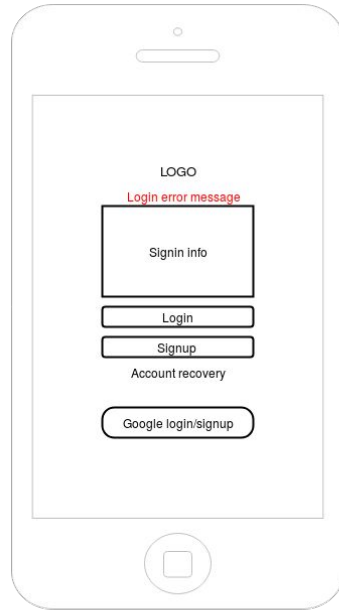
- Snapchat, Instagram, etc
 - **Do** enforce time restrictions (disappearing files)
 - **Do not** have file-sharing features (only photos)
- Dropbox, Google Drive, etc
 - **Do** allow file sharing
 - **Do not** enforce location or time restrictions for shared files



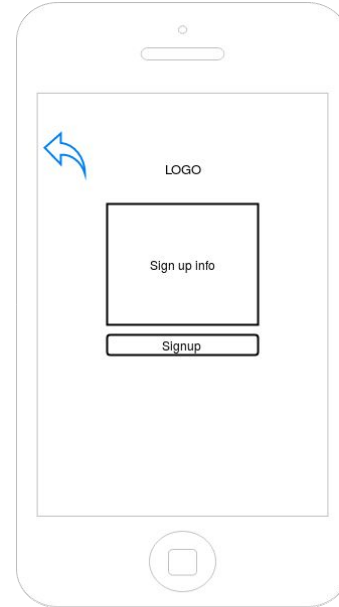
UI - Login/Signup



Main login



Login error

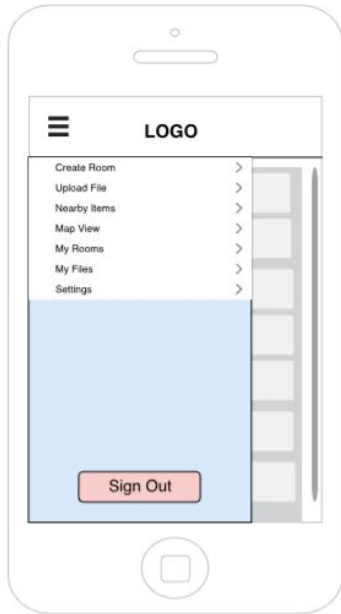


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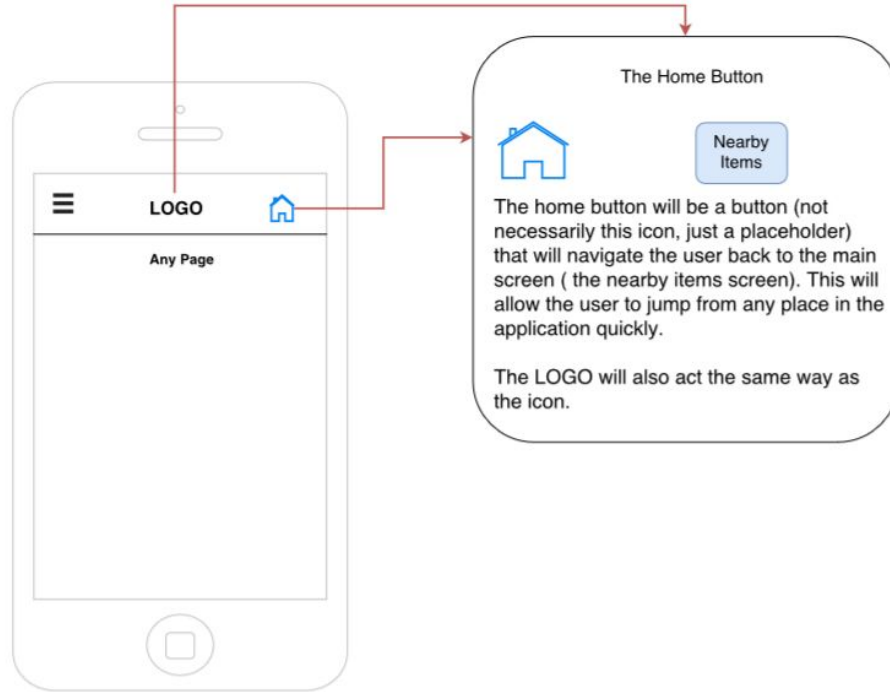


Account recovery

UI - Navigation

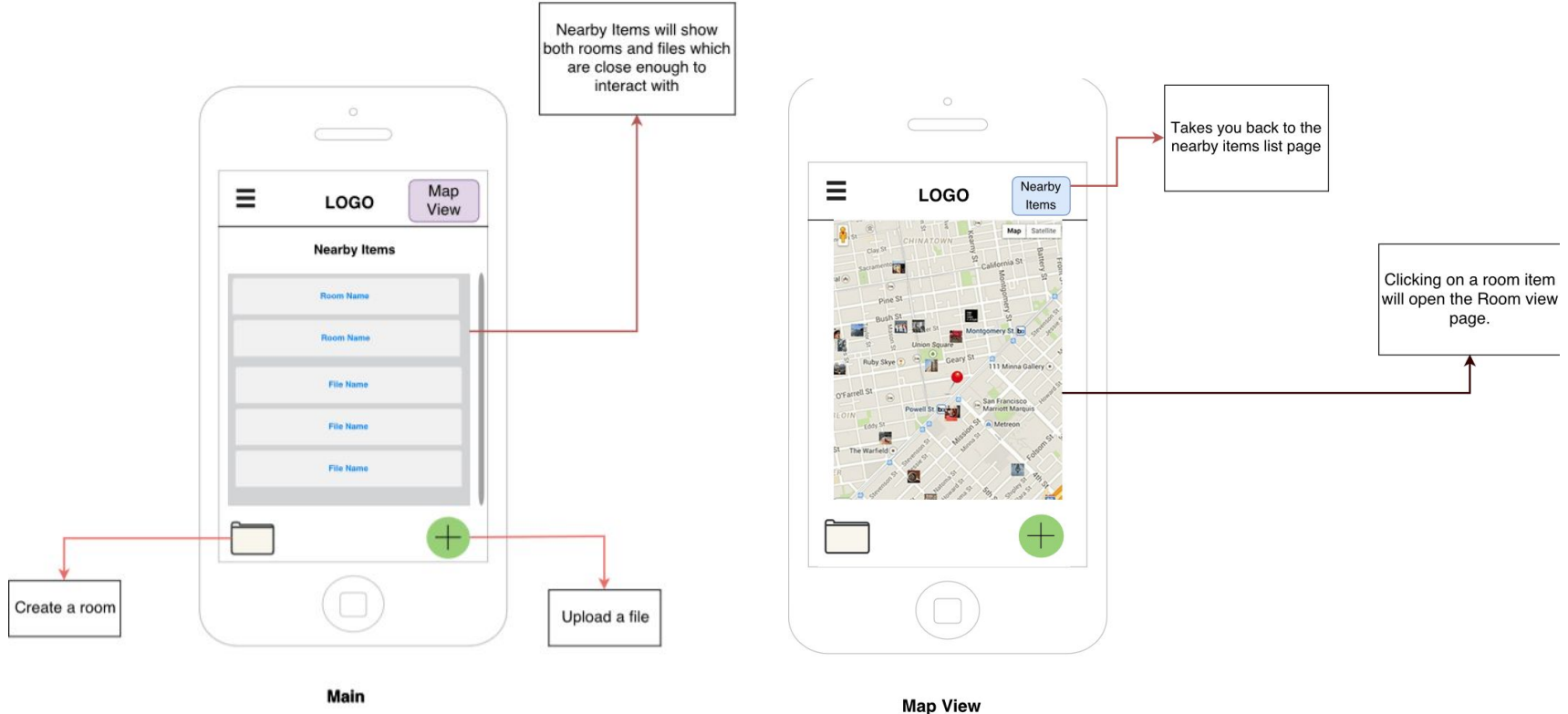


Side Menu

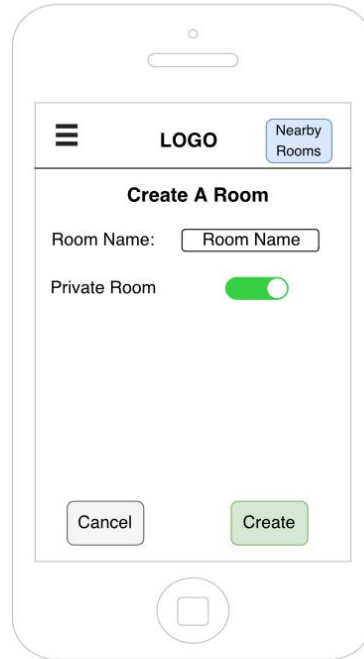


Home Button

UI - Nearby Files/ Rooms

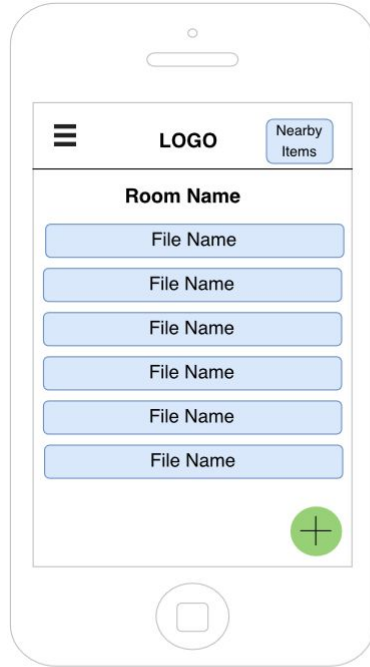


UI - Create A Room



Create Room

UI - Room Views

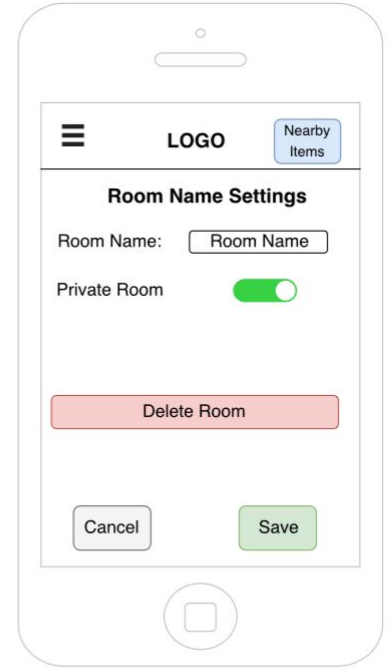


User Room View



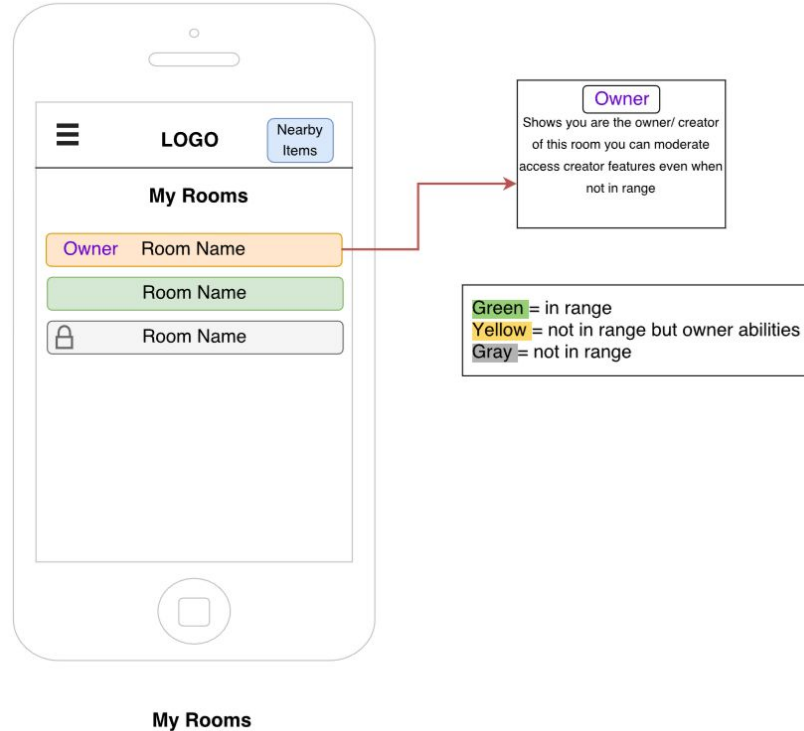
Creator Room View

Room Creators will get a Room Settings option when they are viewing. Clicking this will open the Room Settings page.

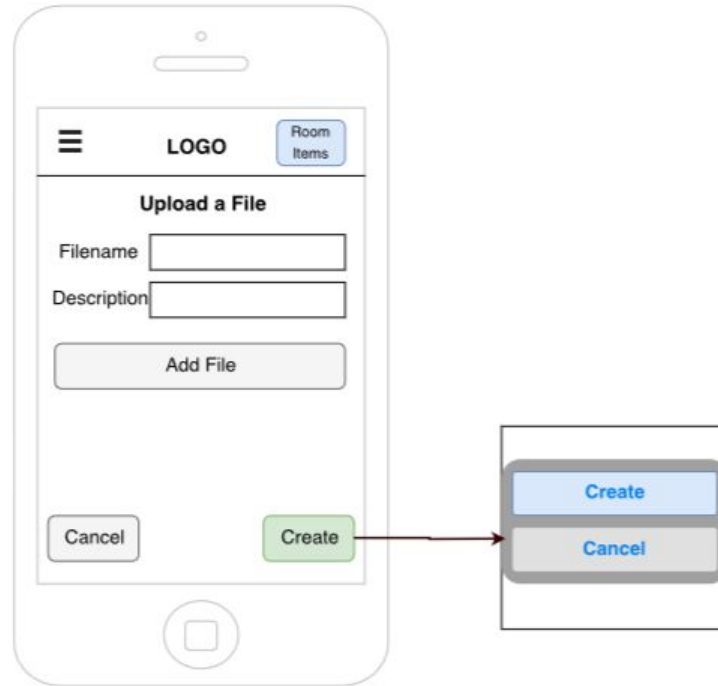


Room Settings View

UI - My Rooms



UI - Create A File



Create File View

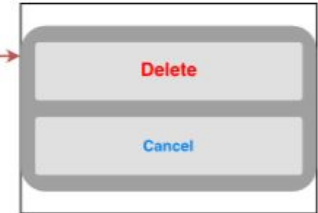
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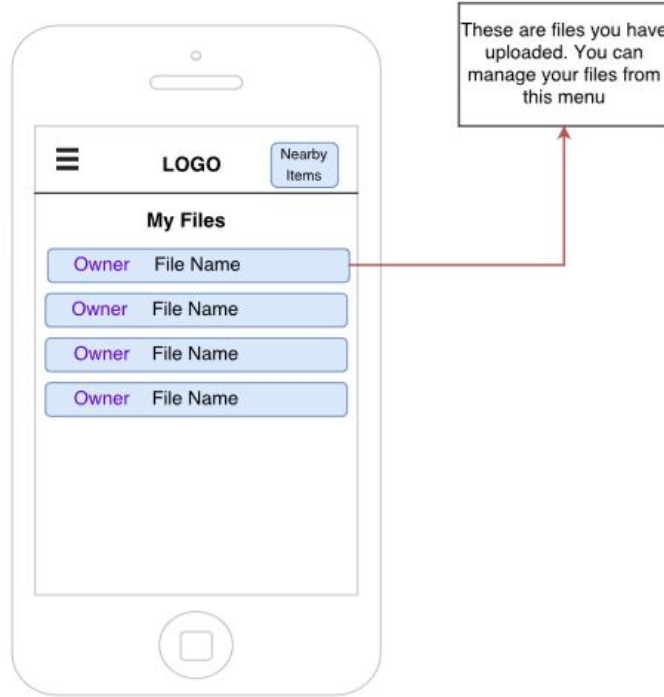
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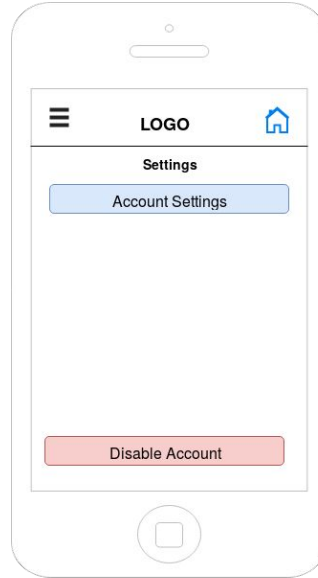


UI - My Files



My Files

UI - Account Settings

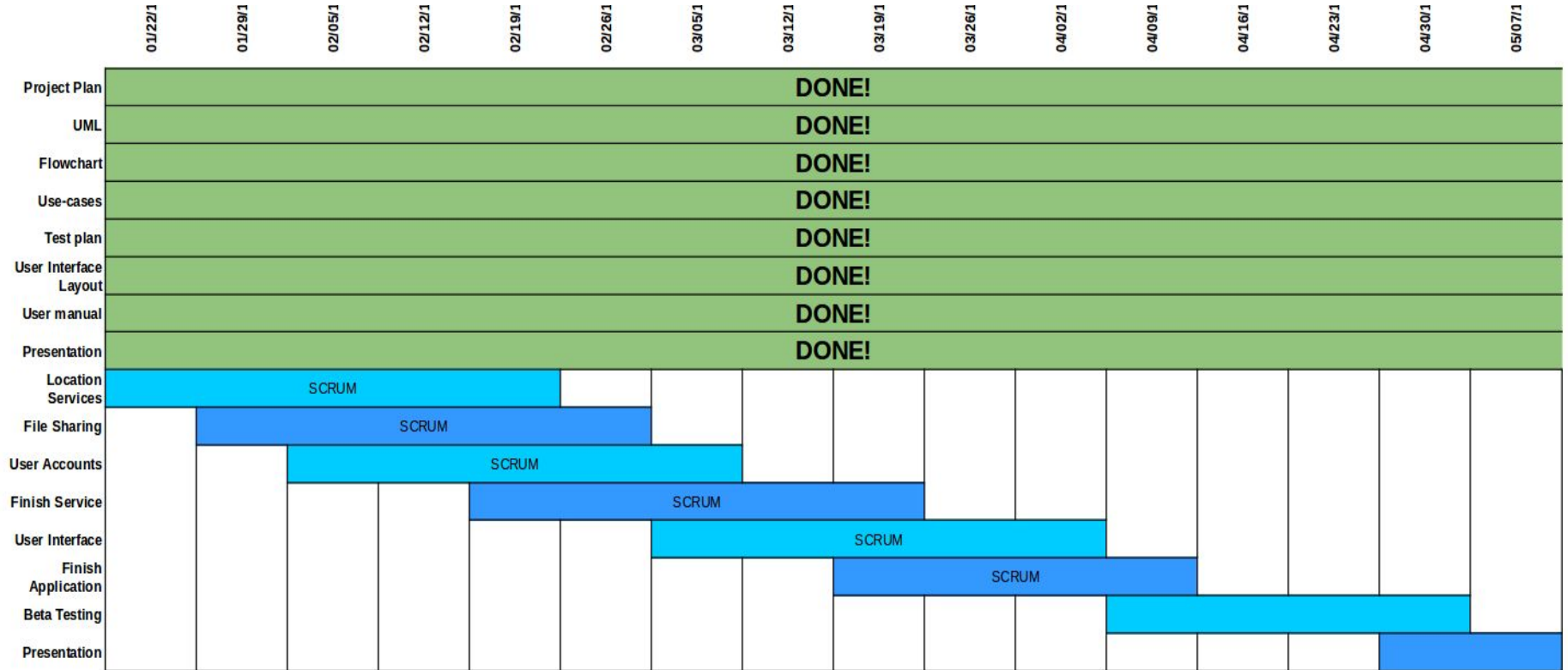


Settings



Plan

Timeline



SCRUM

SCRUM	15%	15%	10%	10%	15%	10%	15%	10%
	Plan	Sprint	Test	Plan	Sprint	Test	Sprint	Test

- Plan
 - Goals for each sprint
 - Account for sprint duration
- Sprint
 - Develop to meet sprint goals
 - Working version should be complete by end of sprint
- Test
 - Test working version
 - Find and document bugs for next sprint

Testing

- Use / Develop tools for testing when necessary
 - Ionic testing
 - Postman
- Test for all applicable test cases
- Document results in a detailed test report
 - ID, date, time, tester
 - Test cases
 - Results / Comments
- Evaluate need for new test cases

References

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Postman: <https://www.getpostman.com/docs/>