G20 Scheduler

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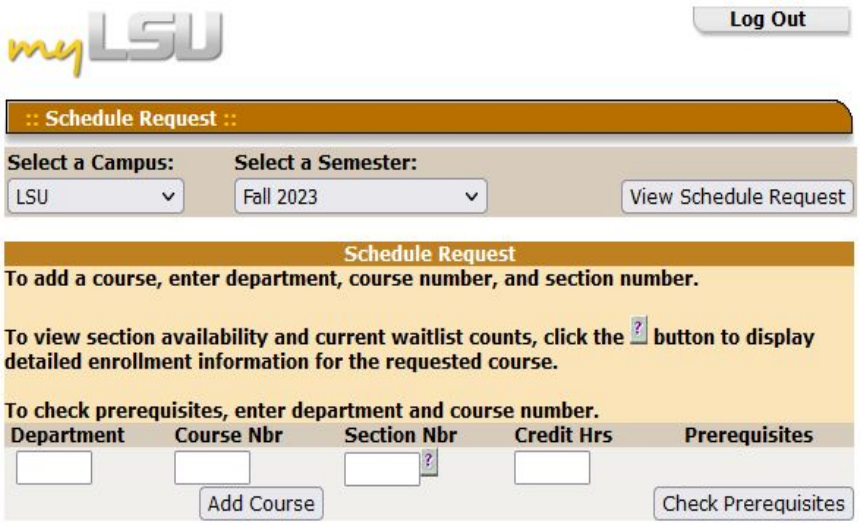
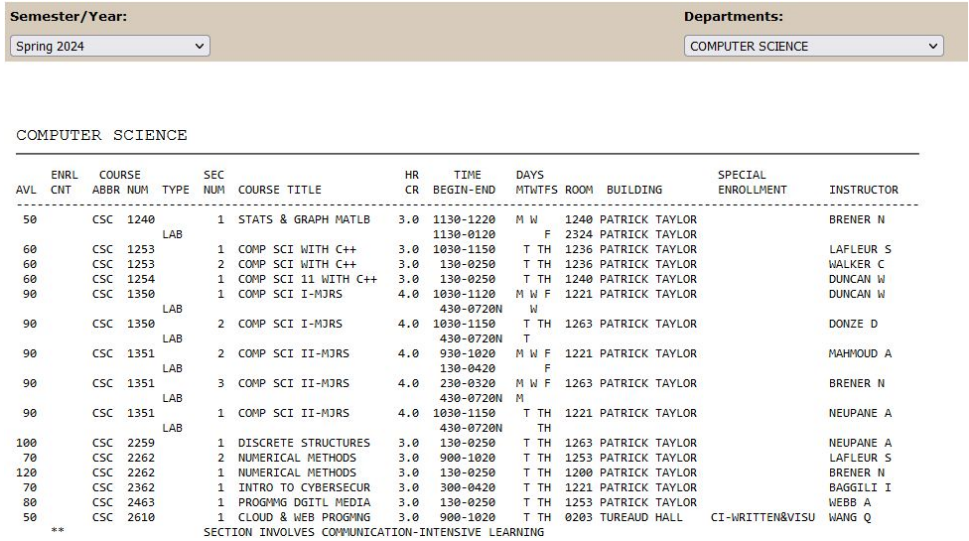
Main Overview

- LSU's current scheduling system is a hassle to work with
- Have to use multiple sources of information on mylsu just to know what to schedule (degree audit, personal schedule, schedule booklet, schedule request, course flowcharts)
- Provides minimal information on classes themselves
- The G20 Scheduler will condense the scheduling process into a single interface that is both convenient, and efficient for students





Main Files & Technology Used

- **generatedata.py**
  - Scrapes data from LSU course mainframe using python library BeautifulSoup for easy parsing of html using lxml
  - Appends course data, course metadata, and degree audit data into .json files for the engine to use
- **project.cpp**
  - Asks users for their semester, department, username, max workload, max amount of labs, and already completed courses
  - Embedded python used to call generatedata.py with user variables

```cpp
int main() {
    DataStore store;

    // Set user preferences
    UserPreferences preferences;
    std::string userName;
    std::string department;
    std::string semester;
    int userWorkload;
    int userLabs;
    int course;
    std::vector<int> completedCourses;

    // Prompt the user for input
    std::cout << "Enter semester: \n";
    std::getline(std::cin, semester);   // Use std::getline to read the entire line

    std::cout << "Enter department: \n";
    std::getline(std::cin, department);  // Use std::getline to read the entire line

    std::cout << "Enter user name: \n";
    std::cin >> userName;

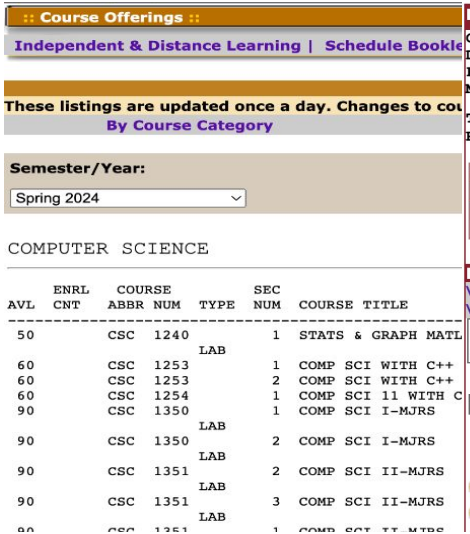
    std::cout << "Enter desired workload: \n";
    std::cin >> userWorkload;

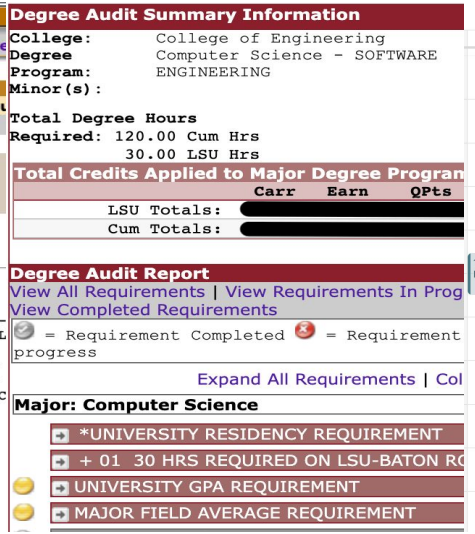
    std::cout << "Enter max number of labs: \n";
    std::cin >> userLabs;

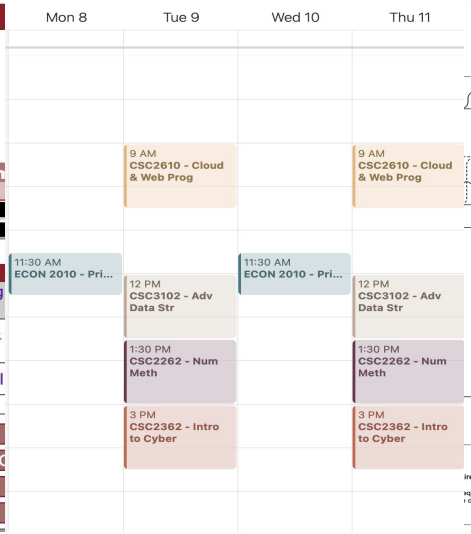
    std::cout << semester << " " << department << " " << "\n";

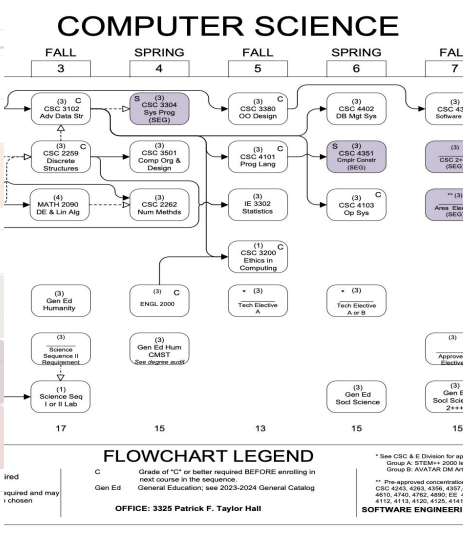
    std::cout << "Enter completed courses (enter -1 to finish): ";
    while (std::cin >> course && course != -1) {
        completedCourses.push_back(course);
    }
```

Integrations

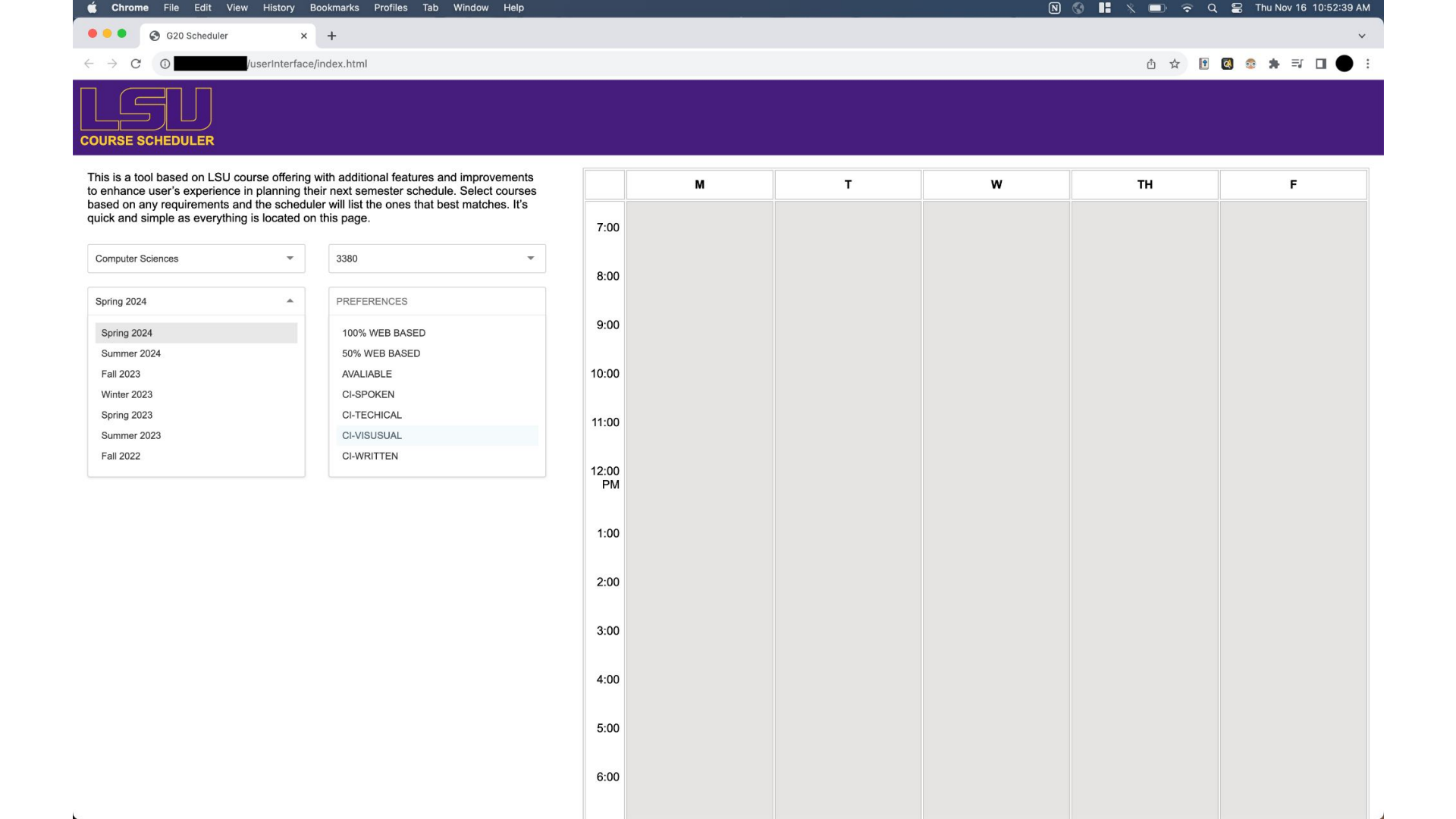








Course Offerings ✚ Degree Audit ✚ Calendar ✚ Flowchart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COURSE SCHEDULER
This is a tool based on LSU course offering with additional features and improvements to enhance user's experience in planning their next semester schedule. Select courses based on any requirements and the scheduler will list the ones that best matches. It's quick and simple as everything is located on this page.
Computer Sciences
3380
Spring 2024
Spring 2024
Summer 2024
Fall 2023
Winter 2023
Spring 2023
Summer 2023
Fall 2022
PREFERENCES
100% WEB BASED
50% WEB BASED
AVALIABLE
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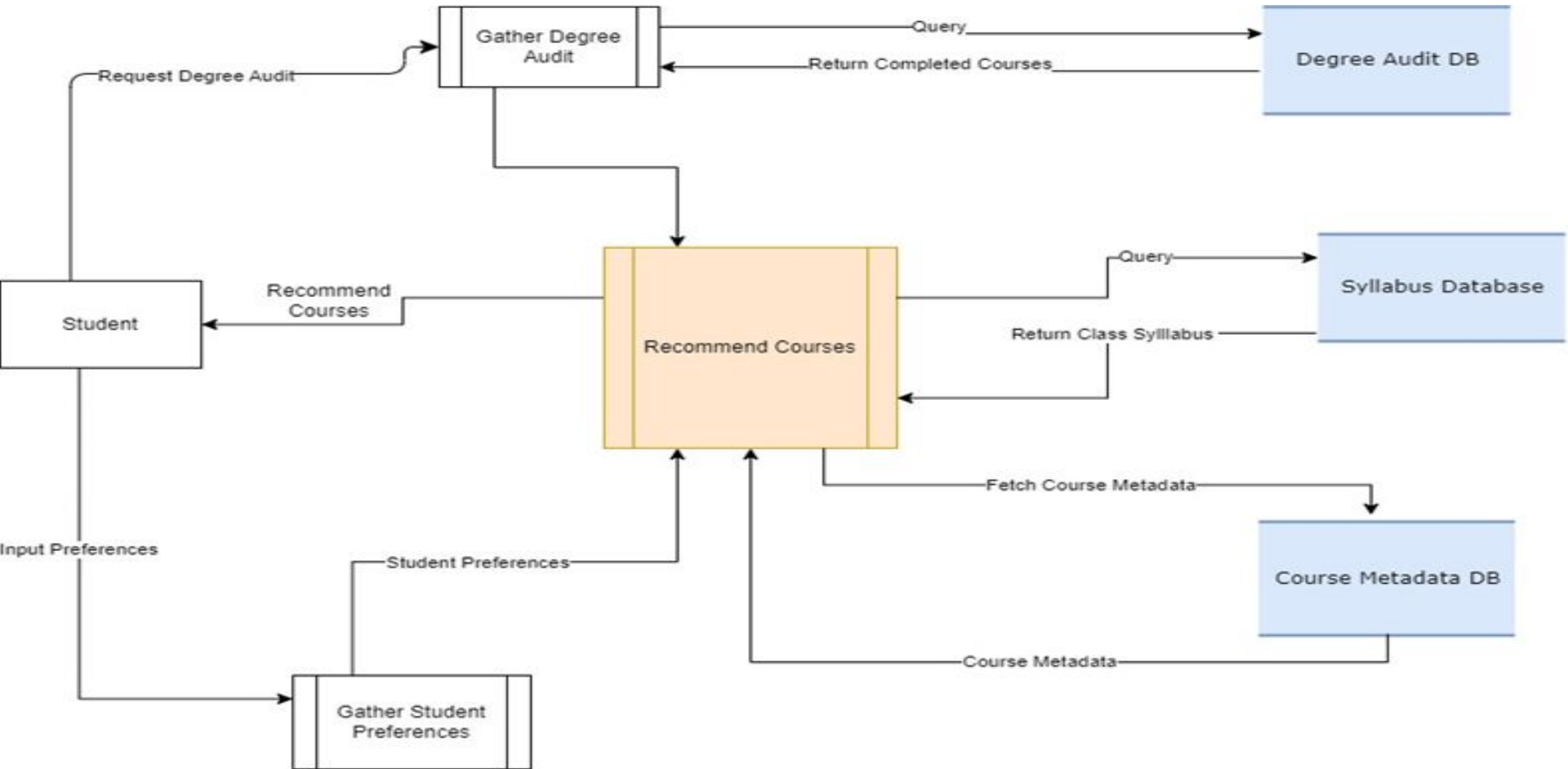
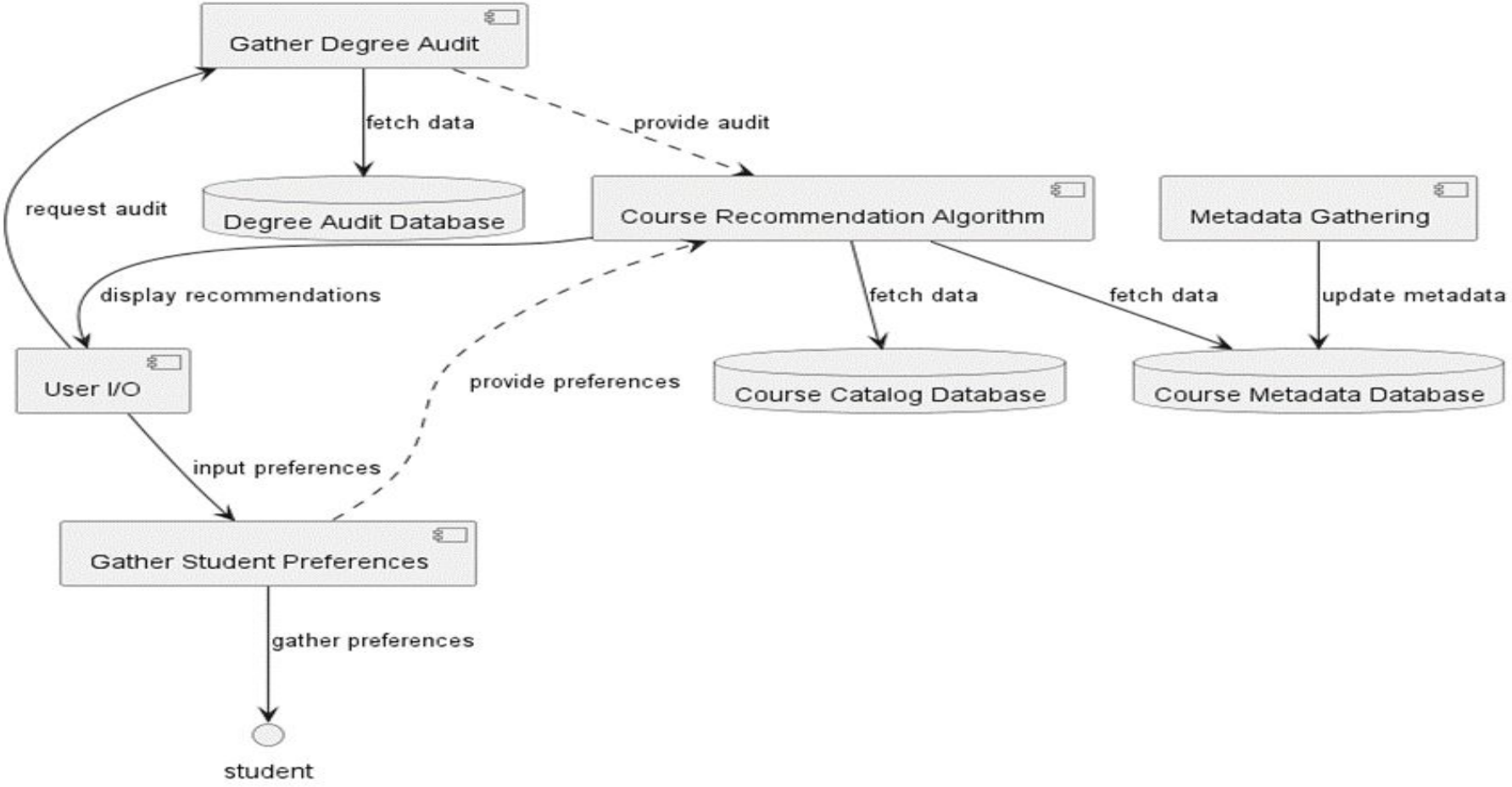


What it will do in practice



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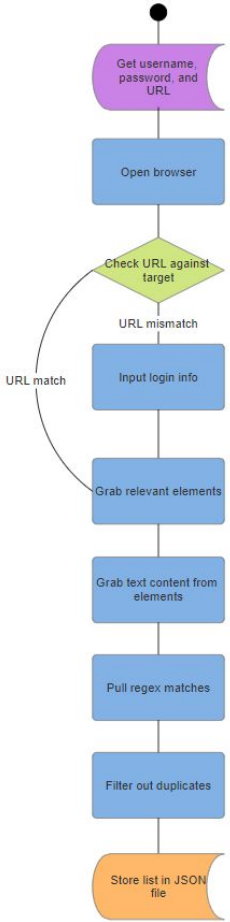

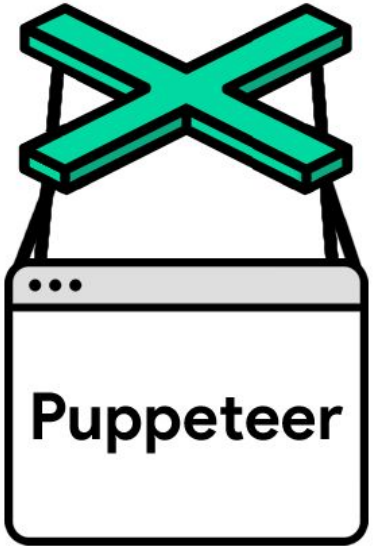


```
if (page.url() != targetURL) {
    var username = await page.waitForXPath("//input[@name='username']")
    var password = await page.waitForXPath("//input[@name='password']")
    await username.type(user)
    await password.type(pass)
    await page.keyboard.press("Enter")
}
await page.waitForTimeout(10000);
```

```
//get array of all mentioned classes
var a = await page.$$(".altrow")
var b = await page.$$(".row")
var c = await page.$$("SubReqName SubReqNO")
var d = a.concat(b).concat(c)
```

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d[i].match(/[A-Za-z]{4}[0-9]{4}|[A-Za-z]{4} [0-9]{4}|[A-Za-z]{3} [0-9]{4}|[A-Za-z]{2}  [0-9]{4}|[A-Za-z]{2} [0-9]{4}/g)
```

```
{
    "dept": "CSC",
    "course_number": 3380,
    "complete": false
},
```

```
{
    "dept": "CSC",
    "course_number": 4501,
    "complete": false
},
```

Jacob

- Wrote the data generator and embedded it within the main C++ project file
- Function `generate_data` takes 3 inputs:
  - string semester
  - string department
  - list completed_courses
- Outputs 3 files:
  - course_data.json
  - course_meta.json
  - degree_audit_data.json

```
def generate_data(semester, department, completed_courses):

    disable_warnings(InsecureRequestWarning)

    # Assign urls for associated forms
    base_url = 'http://appl101.lsu.edu/booklet2.nsf/Selector2?OpenForm'
    post_url = 'http://appl101.lsu.edu/booklet2.nsf/f5e6e50d1d1d05c4862584410071cd2e?CreateDocument'

    soup = BeautifulSoup(requests.get(base_url).content, 'lxml')

    semesters = []
    for s in soup.select('[name="SemesterDesc"] [value]'):
        semesters.append(s['value'])

    departments = []
    for d in soup.select('[name="Department"] option'):
        departments.append(d.get_text(strip=True))

    # Dictionary
    data = {
        '%%Surrogate_SemesterDesc': 1,
        'SemesterDesc': semester,
        '%%Surrogate_Department': 1,
        'Department': department
    }

    # Request the data with inputted semester and department
    r = requests.post(post_url, data=data, verify=False)
    getUrl = r.url
```

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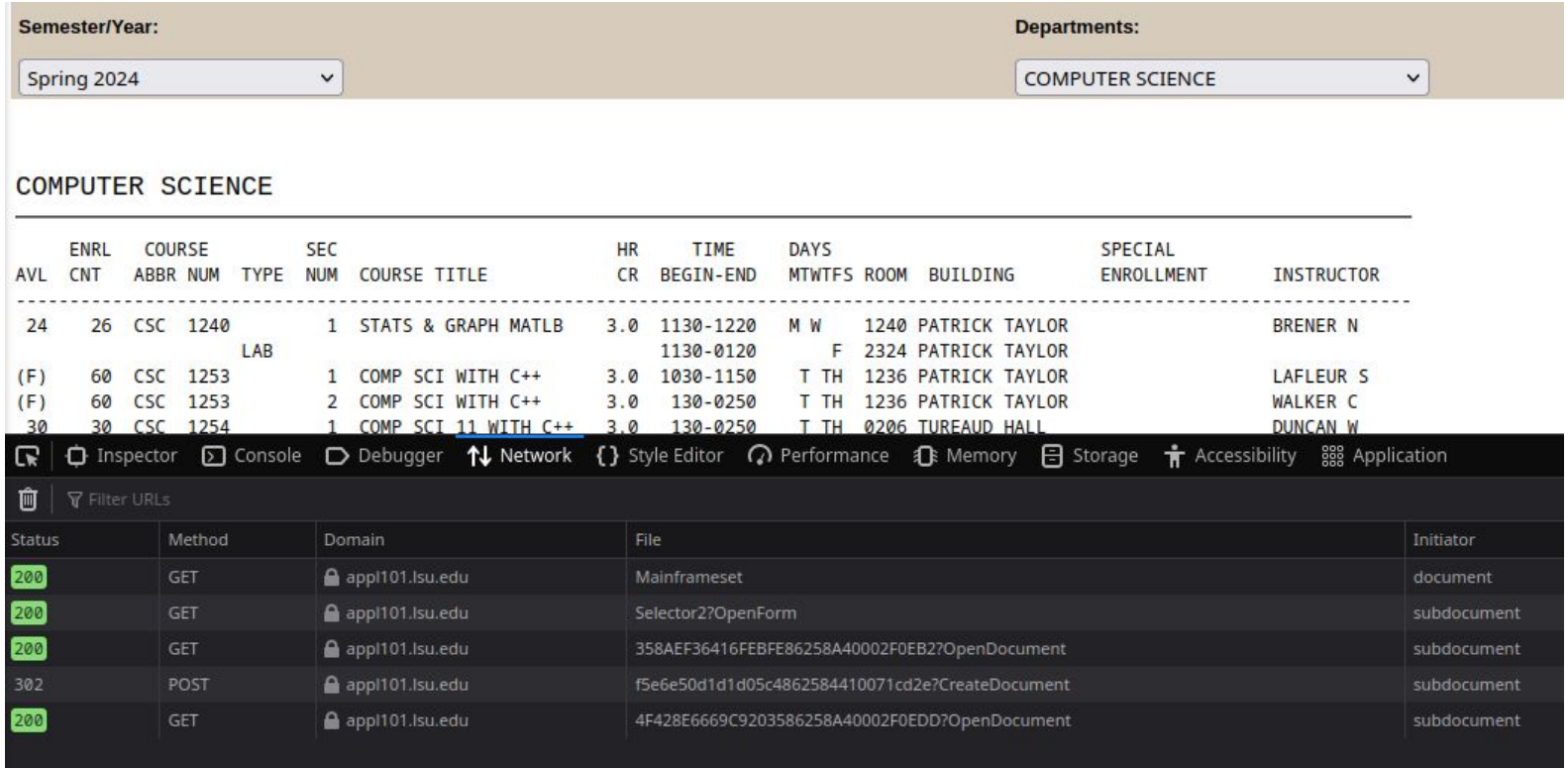


Example of hidden data requests made by the course catalog, in this example the POST request is made after selecting to display the courses for Computer Science in the semester Spring 2024.

Jacob

- Course data is sorted into dictionaries after whitespace parsing, and then appended to lists before being dumped into a .json
- Some classes have labs after the line they are split from, so the course meta data must be updated for the previous entry in course_meta
- If the completed_course_list has any classes within degree_audit, they are marked as completed

```
            # Dictionaries for course, course meta, and degree audit
            course = {
                "dept": course_abbr,
                "course_number": int(course_num),
                "course_name": class_name,
                "credits": class_credits,
                "start_time": start_time,
                "end_time": end_time,
                "days": days,
            }

            course_meta = {
                "dept": course['dept'],
                "course_number": course['course_number'],
                "prerequisites": [],
                "lab": course_lab,
                "Fall Only": False,
                "Spring Only": False,
                "workload": int(course['credits'] * 2),
                "groupProject": False,
                "attendance_grade": False
            }

            degree_audit = {
                "dept": course['dept'],
                "course_number": course['course_number'],
                "complete": False
            }

            course_data.append(course)
            course_meta_data.append(course_meta)
            degree_audit_data.append(degree_audit)

    else:
        if line[21:24].strip() == "LAB" or line[21:24].strip() == "REC":
            # This is a lab or recitation
            if last_index is not None:
                # Update the course meta and degree audit for the last course entry
                course_meta['lab'] = True

# Update degree audit data with completed courses
for course in degree_audit_data:
    if course['course_number'] in completed_course_list:
        course['complete'] = True

# Convert the list of course dictionaries to JSON
course_data_json = json.dumps(course_data, indent=4)
course_meta_json = json.dumps(course_meta_data, indent=4)
degree_audit_json = json.dumps(degree_audit_data, indent=4)
```

Joel

Main logic(cpp)

CourseRecommendationEngine is designed to revolutionize how students approach their academic planning, particularly in managing their course workload for the semester.

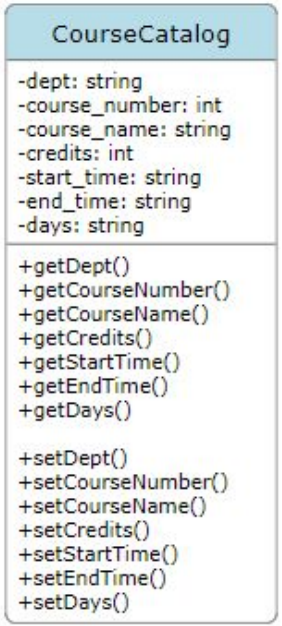
The industry standard of 2 hours per credit hour is multiplied by a scalar after looking at that particular courses number of assignments, labs, group assignments, attendance requirement, and prior student feedback. This gives a truer estimation of the time you can expect to spend outside of class for that class.

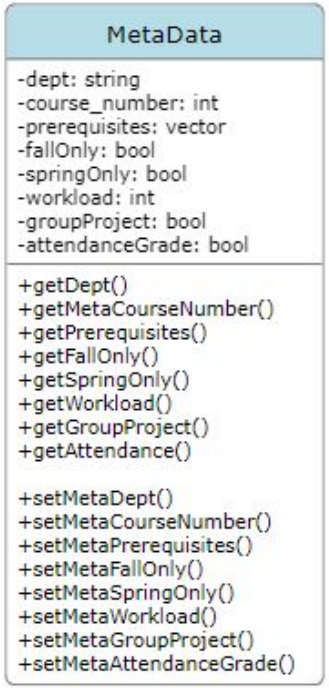
When using the engine you select a desired workload and can select a preferred amount of labs, group projects, attendance requirements. The engine will try to fit a schedule to match that criteria.

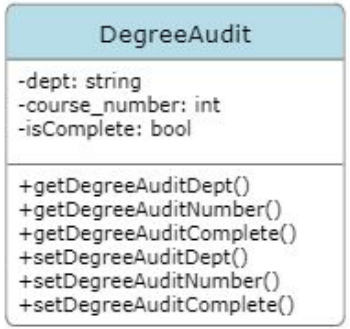
Alex

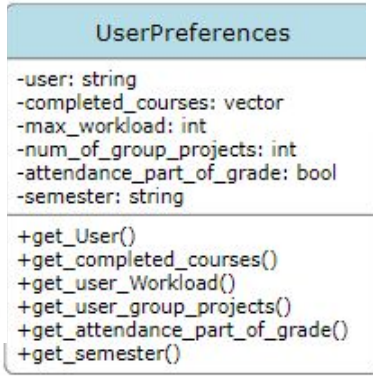
- Linking the Python file to the main C++ file that contained the project.
  - Created a py objection the main file after initializing the python file
  - Iterated through the list that was the python object
- Printed Courses
  - The python file is provided user input in the form of a text block.
  - After that block is translated into a list of courses, I call on this text block in the C++ file and print each course. This list of courses is the actual schedule that the user submits.

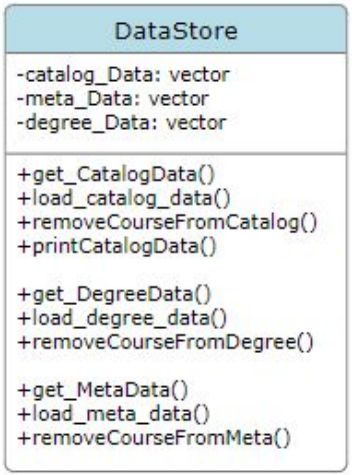
Component Diagrams

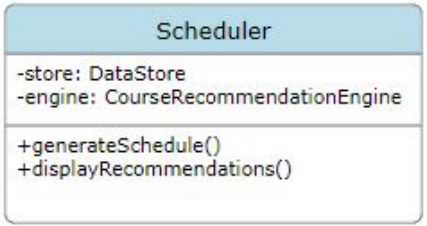


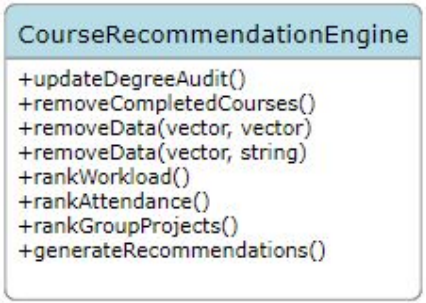












Component Class UML