

Bus Ticket Reservation – System Summary

This document mirrors the structure and level of detail used in the sample “Bus Ticket Reservation Management” PDF and consolidates what’s actually implemented in your codebase (backend fixed.zip + frontend fixed.zip).

Problem Statement

Manual ticketing causes overbooking, revenue leakage, and poor customer experience. This system centralizes buses, routes, trips, live seat inventory, bookings, payments, cancellations, and e-tickets with role-based access and JWT-backed API security.

Scope of the System

Roles

- **Admin** – manages buses, routes, trips, pricing, reports.
- **Customer** – searches trips, selects seats, books and pays, downloads e-tickets, cancels per policy.

Security

- Spring Security with stateless sessions, **JWT [JSON Web Token]** for authN/authZ, **BCrypt** for password hashing, and CORS for http://localhost origins.
 - Public endpoints: auth, trip search and trip/seat read; everything else requires authentication; admin-only endpoints guard write/report operations (see Access in API tables below).
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Project Development Guidelines

Backend (Spring Boot + MySQL)

Tech stack: Java 17, Spring Boot 3.5.x, Spring Security + JWT, JPA/Hibernate, MySQL, springdoc-openapi (Swagger UI).

Key modules: Auth, Bus/Route, Trip + Seat Inventory, Booking + Payment, Ticketing/Cancellation, Reports.

Notable configuration (scrubbed): - spring.datasource.url to a local MySQL schema; ddl-auto=update. - app.jwt.secret and app.jwt.expiration set for token signing and TTL. - Swagger: /swagger-ui/index.html.

Frontend (React + Vite + Tailwind + React Router)

Tech stack: React 18, Vite 5, React Router 6, Axios, jwt-decode, Tailwind CSS.

Flow: Login/Register → store JWT → infer role → route to Customer or Admin areas; Axios interceptor attaches Authorization: Bearer <token>; 401 triggers local sign-out.

Key screens and routes (from App.jsx): - / Home, /login, /register - /search Trip search, /trips/:id Trip details + seats - /checkout/:bookingId Checkout and payment - /ticket My ticket, /cancel Cancel booking - /admin Dashboard with nested trips, buses-routes, reports (protected via ProtectedRoute)

The 6 Core Modules (implemented)

1. **Authentication & Users** – register, login, JWT issuance; role inferred from token and user profile.
 2. **Bus & Route Management** – admin creates/reads buses and routes.
 3. **Trip Scheduling & Seat Inventory** – admin creates trips; public GET for searching and seats listing.
 4. **Booking & Payment** – hold then cancel/checkout; payment endpoint exposed; status persisted.
 5. **Ticketing & Cancellations** – ticket retrieval, PDF export, cancel flow.
 6. **Reports & Dashboards** – bookings and payments summaries; PDF exports.
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Extended API Guidelines

- **Base URL:** /api/v1
- **Auth:** Authorization: Bearer <jwt>
- **Swagger:** /swagger-ui/
- **Common errors:** 400 validation, 401 unauthorized, 403 forbidden, 409 seat conflict, 422 payment failure, 500 server.

Actual Endpoints discovered (from controllers)

AuthController

Method	Path	Access
POST	/api/v1/auth/login	Public
POST	/api/v1/auth/register	Public

BookingController

Method	Path	Access
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Method	Path	Access
POST	/api/v1/bookings/hold	Protected
POST	/api/v1/bookings/{id}/cancel	Protected

BusRouteController

Method	Path	Access
GET	/api/v1/buses	Admin
POST	/api/v1/buses	Admin
GET	/api/v1/routes	Admin
POST	/api/v1/routes	Admin

PaymentController

Method	Path	Access
POST	/api/v1/payments/checkout	Protected

ReportsController

Method	Path	Access
GET	/api/v1/reports/bookings	Admin
GET	/api/v1/reports/payments	Admin
GET	/api/v1/reports/bookings/pdf	Admin
GET	/api/v1/reports/payments/pdf	Admin

RootController

Method	Path	Access
GET	/	Public

TicketController

Method	Path	Access
GET	/api/v1/tickets/{bookingId}	Protected
GET	/api/v1/tickets/{bookingId}/pdf	Protected
DELETE	/api/v1/tickets/{bookingId}	Protected

TripController

Method	Path	Access
GET	/api/v1/trips	Admin
POST	/api/v1/trips	Admin

Method	Path	Access
GET	/api/v1/trips/{id}	Public
GET	/api/v1/trips/{id}/seats	Public
GET	/api/v1/trips/search	Public

Database Guidelines (Conceptual)

- **Normalization:** ~3NF.
- **Users ↔ Bookings/Payments:** one user, many bookings and payments.
- **Buses/Routes/Trips:** bus→trips (1-M), route→trips (1-M).
- **Inventory:** seat availability derived from Seat and BookingSeat on a Trip.
- **Booking lifecycle:** HOLD → (CANCEL | PAYMENT) → CONFIRMED → TICKET; cancellations/refunds supported.

Entities and Relationships (from `model` package)

Entity	Attributes (type)	Relationships
Booking	id:Long, user:User, trip:Trip, status:String, totalAmount:Double, createdAt:Instant	ManyToOne, ManyToOne, OneToMany
BookingSeat	id:Long, booking:Booking, seat:Seat	ManyToOne, ManyToOne
Bus	id:Long, busNumber:String, busType:String, totalSeats:Int, operatorName:String	-
Payment	id:Long, booking:Booking, status:String, reference:String, amount:Double, createdAt:Instant	ManyToOne
Route	id:Long, source:String, destination:String, distance:Double, duration:String	-
Seat	id:Long, trip:Trip, seatNumber:String, seatType:String, booked:boolean	ManyToOne
Trip	id:Long, bus:Bus,	ManyToOne, ManyToOne

Entity	Attributes (type)	Relationships
	route:Route, departureTime:Instant, arrivalTime:Instant, fare:Double	
User	id:Long, email:String, password:String, name:String, role:String, createdAt:Instant	-

Non-Functional Requirements

- **Security:** BCrypt password storage, signed JWT, input validation.
- **Performance:** seat hold/conflict checks optimized at repository/service layers.
- **Reliability:** transactional boundaries around booking and payment status updates.
- **Scalability:** clear seams for splitting Search/Booking/Payments into services later.
- **Auditability:** persist payment references and ticket numbers.

UX Guidelines → Implementation

- **Consistency:** common colors/typography/components via Tailwind; shared NavBar.
- **Clarity & Simplicity:** minimal search fields (source, destination, date) and straightforward seat/checkout flow.
- **Feedback & Responsiveness:** seat availability shown on trip details; post-actions confirm states.
- **Error Prevention & Handling:** frontend validates inputs; backend returns precise status codes; 401/403 handled by router guard and interceptor.

Execution Notes

Backend

1. Ensure MySQL is running and schema is reachable.
2. `mvn clean package -DskipTests` then `java -jar target/*.jar` or `mvn spring-boot:run`.
3. Visit Swagger at <http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui/index.html>.

Frontend

1. `npm install`
2. `npm run dev` → <http://localhost:5173>

3. Set `VITE_API_BASE_URL` if backend is not `http://localhost:8080/api/v1`.
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Appendix – Dependency Highlights

- **JWT:** `io.jsonwebtoken:jjwt-*`
 - **OpenAPI UI:** `org.springdoc:springdoc-openapi-starter-webmvc-ui`
 - **DB:** `com.mysql:mysql-connector-j`
 - **Test:** JUnit 5, Mockito (if present)
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Key Challenges and Resolutions

- **Day 1** — setup and plumbing Frontend wouldn't start: missing `package.json` and Vite, so npm scripts failed. I rebuilt the project, added the right dev dependencies, and fixed the scripts. API calls broke until I set `VITE_API_BASE_URL` and handled CORS [Cross-Origin Resource Sharing]. Maven flagged duplicate dependencies (ZXing and OpenAPI), which I cleaned up. MySQL [Structured Query Language] tables didn't appear because `spring.jpa.hibernate.ddl-auto` and credentials were wrong. I kept guessing IDs like `busId` until I fixed the datasource and let Hibernate create the schema.
- **Day 2** — auth, logic, and polish Auth worked but role checks still returned 401/403. I corrected the Spring Security filter chain, enabled method security, and ensured the Axios interceptor always sent the JWT [JSON Web Token] in `Authorization: Bearer <token>`. To prevent double-booking, I added transactional seat-locking and conflict checks. PDF [Portable Document Format] exports for tickets and reports needed proper content types and stream handling. Finally, I synced Swagger/OpenAPI with the actual DTOs so the API [Application Programming Interface] docs matched the UI [User Interface] behavior end-to-end.