# Bounty Hunter App - Project Documentation

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# 1 Project Introduction

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My Project is a Star Wars Bounty Hunters themed simple "trading cards" game-like Android application. The application is designed to manage, train, and simulate LOCAL and ONLINE battles between bounty hunters. The app uses minimalistic style user interface with many activities like:

- Hiring hunters,
- Training hunters,
- Displaying statistics,
- Online and Local battles

Data is stored and fetched from JSON files. Network functionality is used for multiplayer battles

# $2 \quad \text{Overview} + \text{UML}$

The Documentation and the code explanation videos got a little too long I went into too much detail. Sorry for that.

Detailed code explanation videos can be found on page 10. They are very Long.

Don't need to watch them all!.

Please watch this 4 demonstration videos.

Intro\*

Link INTRO (2 min)

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Part one clean run on emulator Link Part One (10 min)

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Run on Physical Device Online Battle\*

Link Physical Device Online (5 min)

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If something didn't make sense in the demonstration video please check it in this document. I tried to go trough everything on a not technical surface level. If something still doesn't make sense Check the detailed videos i go over the code.

Code is commented.

#### Check List on all the implemented Bonus feature:

RecyclerView
Bounty Hunters Have Images
Battle Visualizaton
Turn-based combat
Statistics
Randomness in Battles
Fragments
Data Storage Loading
Statistics Visualization
Custom Feature X - Network

Implemeted: Home Activity, Hire Activity, Statistics Activity
Implemeted

Attacking hunter has White background, Defending Grey, Winner Green, Loser Red Attack Button needs to be Pressed For every attack Implemeted: Statistics Activity

Implemented: deciding melee/ranged attack (60 percent chance for preferred)

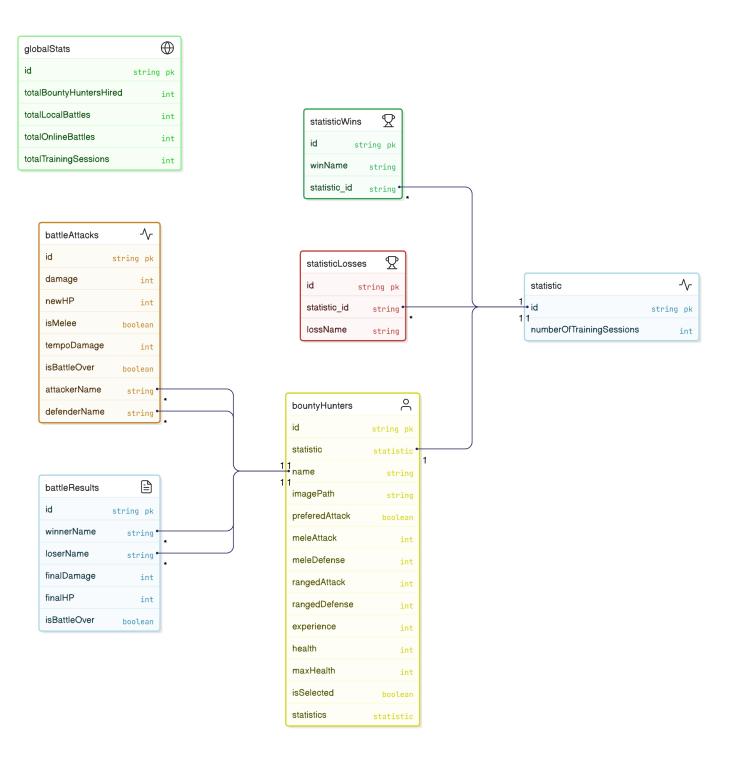
Implemented: all the different card view items

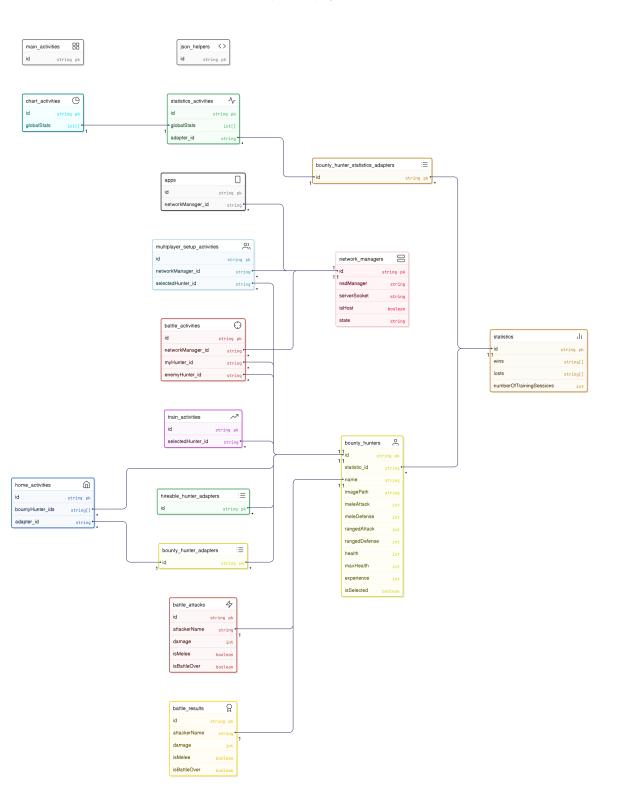
Implemeted: Json files and JsonHelper

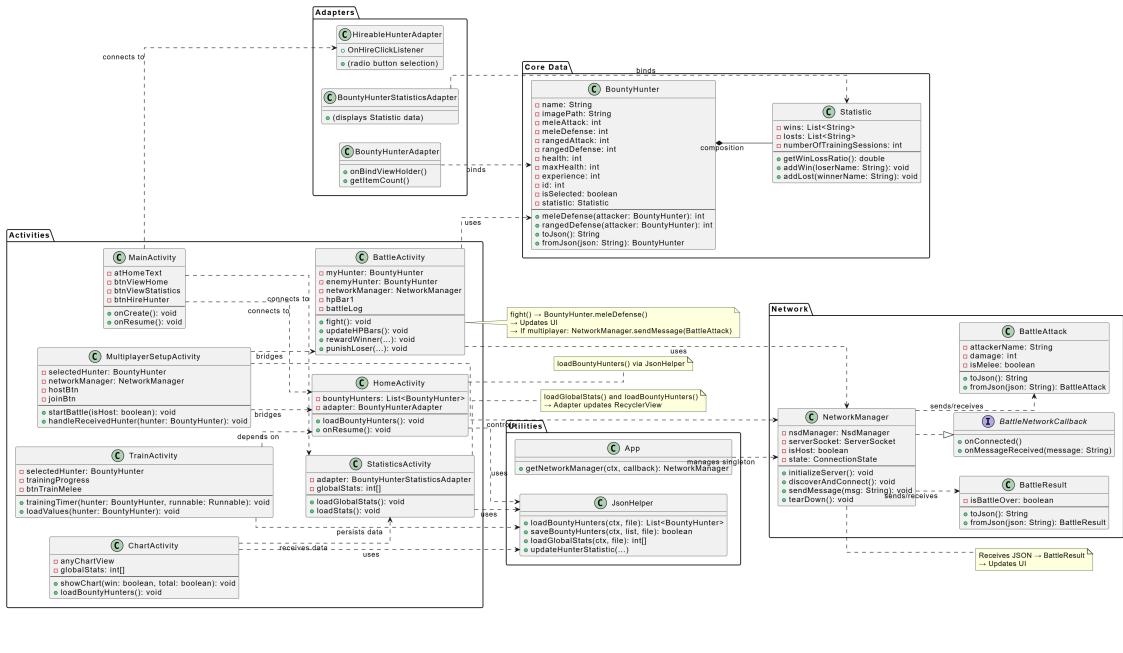
Implemented: Charts

Implemented: Multiplayer Battle mode --> Grade: +2

UML: (1. Class Diagram, 2. Activity Diagram, 3. Old UML)







# 3 Individual Section

#### 3.1 Class: BountyHunter and Statistics

BountyHunter.java is the most basic object in the application. It stores all the properties of a single hunter, including Statistics. Defense against incoming attacks is also calculated here.

Statistics.java contains individual statistics about a hunter that are only required in specific cases so its only added to the hunter when needed.

# 3.2 Adapters

In the Application there are tree Adapters for the tree different CardView item that are presented in RecyclerView components.

- BountyHunterAdapter.,
- HireableHunterAdapter,
- BountyHunterStatisticsAdapter

They are very similar in functionality but they are required to be separet because each Card View has different layout and they show different values.

# 3.3 Data Storage: Json files + JsonHelper

To ensure data doesn't get lost and can be saved the application uses JSON files.

- bountyhunters.json,
- mybountyhunters.json,
- nothiredbountyhunters.json,
- Statistics.json

Why 4 instead of one big?:

Sadly, this question came to mind when i was writing this document. The idea behind the 4 json is they all represent different data and this way it felt better separated in my head. Of course a single JSON would work also.

JsonHelper.java is used for internal data loading, saving, updating. Contains methods and functions

e.g.: loading Json, saving Json, updating, and of course phrasing the raw-data, returning the desired BountyHunter or Statistics Object.

#### Methods copyJsonIfNotExists and DONOTUSEcopyJson:

These methods are required when Android applications use Json files especially when they need to be modified. It copies the Json file from assets folder to the app's internall storage.

Files in assets are read-only.

DONOTUSEcopyJson is not in use but i left it there in case of a "clean run" is required and i want to override all existing files in internal storage.

#### Why not Gson?:

Why phrasing Json manualy instead of using Gson wich phrases object to Json and back? I didn't use it on the course. And manualy phrasing shows the inner working visually rather than a single line like: "Gson().toJson(this);"

#### Why is it used than?:

For example in BountyHunter.java there are two extra functions toJson() and fromJson(...) they appear in other classes that were not mentioned yet. Simple answer because of network. JsonHelper.java is responible for inner Json related matters (offline). When I started to work on Multiplayer funtionality I had to add additional methods to convert objects into Json and back quickly and simply in order to send them to other devices.

#### 3.4 Activities

#### Main Activity

This is the Page that Loads when application is launched. Here we have 3 options.

- View Home --> We can see our already hired hunters and manage them.
- View Statistics --> We can see Statistical data of our hired hunters
- Hire New Bounty Hunter --> We can hire new Bounty Hunters

#### Hire Hunter Activity

On this Page we are presented with not hired bounty hunters their name, base stats are presented in a CardView and with the help of radio buttons we can select a single hunter at a time and hire them, meaning they now work for us we can train them and send them into battle.

HireableHunterAdapter. java is used as a RecyclerView adapter.

Hunters are loaded from nothiredbountyhunters.json. And uppon hiring they are removed from this file and moved to mybountyhunter.json.

#### Statistics Activity

On this Page we are presented with two type of data that is loaded in from Statistics.json.

Global Statistics this is the top section where we can see: How many hunters were hired, Number of Local / Online Battles, Number of training Sessions of all the hunters.

*Hunter Statistics* in this section we have a RecyclerView containing CardView items of Hired hunters we can see thier individual Statistics including wich hunter they defeted and got defeted by. Not hired hunters are not presented here.

BountyHunterStatisticsAdapter.java is used as a RecyclerView adapter.

Hunters are loaded from mybountyhunter.json and Statistics.json. So the Bonty Hunter object's Statistic field also gets matched and loaded in. (loadBountyHunters(), loadStats(), loadGlobalStats())

#### Charts

Charts can be viewed from Statistics Activity. It shows game statistics using AnyChart-Android. There are 3 Pie-charts in connection with Battle Statistics containing information about Online and Local battles. On these charts we can see all bounty hunters (not only the hired) if they have the necessary data:

- Win Chart --> This chart shows out of all the O/L Battles which hunter won what percentage of them.
- Lose Chart --> This chart shows out of all the O/L Battles which hunter lost what percentage of them.
- Battle Chart --> This chart shows out of all the O/L Battles which hunter participated at what percentage.

#### Home Activity

This Page is the responsible page to manage our hired hunters. From this point we only deal with hired hunters, loaded from mybountyhunter.json

BountyHunterAdapter.java is used as a RecyclerView adapter.

In this RecyclerView we can see bounty hunter items. Their picture, name and stats inclduting xp. These stats here now not just their basic stat but their constantly updatated stat wich might come from winning a O/L battle or from training.

Check boxes on the Right Upper corner allowes to select one or multiple hunter. After one or two hunter selected we can send it/them to train or into Battle.

#### **Train Activity**

If a single Hunter is selected we can send it to Train. On this page we are presented with our selected hunter and tree option:

- Train Melee: --> This adds +1 experience and +3 to melee attack and defense stats
- Train Range: --> This adds +1 experience and +3 to ranged attack and defense stats
- Train XP: --> This adds +5 experience and +1 to melee and ranged attack, defense stats

On this Page we also have a custom Progress bar (drawable/greenprogressba.xml its also used as hp bars) which shows training time (trainingTimier(...)) in in order to protect against "spam" training. Training time depends on experience level in a way higher experience level means longer training sessions.

After each Training session the hunters stats are increased and saved as mentioned also the number of training session gets saved in Statistics.json both the total and the individual level number of training sessions.

When we return to Home Activity these updated stats are shown.

#### **BattleActivityOLD**

Finally we arrive to the Part which around the application is designed: The Battle.

Why OLD?:

When I developed the app I already knew I want Multiplayer functionality, but i had a different idea (unnecessarily complicated) in mind. This way Online and Local Battle would be handled separately thus the need for two Battle Activity. During implementation i realized handling both Online and Local Battle is essentially the same so no need for two Activity.

So the Old version is here to explain the how the battle works without Multiplayer mod. It is not used but i kept because its easier to explain battle without multiplayer. So when i explain the Actual in use Battle Activity the basics are already explained and I can focus only the added Multiplayer part.

How Does Simple Battle System works?:

If two Hunters are selected in Home Activity we can select Battle.

When Page is loaded in we are shown the two selected hunter with their respective Hp bars these are same custom bars from Training Activity.

fight()

The Battle is turnbase when the single Attack button is pressed fight() is called. The fighting algoridm figures out whose turn is it (first turn is the hunter with lower id). It designates the "attacker"

and "defender" according to whose tun is it. gives a 60 percent chance for the "preferred attack" (melee or ranged) than calculates the damage according to BountyHunter. (melee/ranged)Defense(BountyHuner).

Tempo Damage is if the attacker manages to damage the opponent above a certain threshold (12 or 16) it adds additional (30 or 20 percent) damage.

After Total Damage is calculated the battle log gets created and added to the Battle Log Text view. Also the Hp bars and the hp text gets updated according to the damage. At the and of round the turns change attacker becomes defender and vice versa.

In case of defeat: defeat means one of the hunters hp is or goes below zero. THE HUNTER DOES NOT DIE! The defeated gets punished and winner gets rewarded.

- punishLoser(...) --> hunter gets removed from mybountyhunter.json "becomes unhired" returns to nothiredbountyhunter.json with its original stats meaning it loses all of its pervious training gains and xp.
  - Also in it's statistics into the Defeted by section the winner get's appended and that stays there forever.
- rewardWinner(...) --> hunter get's all of it's stats incrased by +10 and gains +3 xp.

  Also in it's statistics into the Defeted section the loser get's appended and that stays there forever.

# 4 Network

#### Custom Feature X

I wanted to play this game with my friends so i decided as a custom feature I should add multiplayer mod.

I was debating over 3 options:

- Bluetooth connection
- A cloud platform like firebase
- Or direct socket connections (playing over same wi-fi network)

Eventually I choose direct socket connection because im already familiar with the two other method I wanted to learn something new.

#### Network Manager

NetworkManager.java is the base of everything that is related to multiplayer functionality, including service discovery, socket communication, connection status handling, and sending or receiving both game data and BountyHunter objects between devices.

Its a fairly complicated Class so the vide explanation will focus on this more.

NetworkManager allows two devices to connect locally over the same network using Android's NSD (Network Service Discovery).

It sets up a server if the device is the host (initializeServer()), or discovers and connects to a host if it's a client (discoverAndConnect(...)).

Once connected, it manages the exchange of messages and hunters (sendMessage(...), sendHunter(...), reciveHunterandMessage() ) using sockets, enabling real-time interaction between players during a battle.

#### App

What is it Why is it needed?:

It extends Android's Application. NetworkManager is placed here so different activities can still access the same instance. This is relevant when we are transitioning from MultiPlayerSetupActivity to BattaleActivity If we would declare different NtworkManager instances in both activities that would lead to inconsistent network connection and duplicate instances. setNetworkManager(...) and getNetworkManager(...) makes this doesn't happen.

I had to create this class because the mentioned transition always broke the connection and BattleActivity loaded but the connection was lost so the actual battle couldn't start. This also need's to be declared in AndroidManifest.xml on the application level rather than on activity or other level.

### BattleAttack.java + BattleResult.java

These classes are not very important and the game could easily function without them.

They exist to eas the communication between devices during battle. They are phrased into or from Json messages and sent between devices using NetworkManager.sendMessage(...). They are the mentioned classes in section 3.3. To convert classes into Json and back I use Gson.

BattleAttack.java is responsible to send the damage, newHp, info about attack type and the names to the other device. Because of randomness in attack type (melee/ranged) I can't let the devices botrh calculate locally I need to calculate only on one device than send the message over.

BattleResult.java is only sent if one of the hunters got defeated. It contains winner and losers name the last damage and of course the info that the battle is over.

This just like the Json files could have been handled by a single message class but this way its nice and separated. And later I want to add Spectator mod meaning I can view ongoing battles if I'm on same network. Than it makes sense that attack and result is separated.

#### Multiplayer Setup Activity

When in Home activity a single hunter is selected and Online Battle option is pressed, MultiplayerSetupActivity.java is loaded. NetworkManager instance gets declared on the Application level. When the page loads we are shown our selected hunter and presented with two option:

- Host Battle
- Join Battle

*Host Battle* in this case the device becomes the host of course and initializes the server. Lets the system choose a port, registers it, stars "broadcasting" so the client can find it. It waits for connections. And stars listening for incoming messages.

Join Battle in this case the device becomes the client and starts to look for possible connections using Android's NSD. Also starts listening for incoming messages.

If connection is made Both the client and the host send their respective hunters. Up on reciving a hunter BattleActivity is launched (The "in use" version not the OLD). In case any problem arise error messages are shown

### Battle Activity (in use)

Finally the actual Battle. BattleActivity.java handles both Online and Local Battle when the Intent is called an extra checker is passed isMultiplayer a simple if-else checks weather this is true.

In case of False - Local it is the exact same as BattleActivityOLD this is why I kept it so in this section i can focus only on Multiplayer mode.

In case of True - Online we get the already declared NetworkManager instance from App, rather than declaring a new one or somehow passing it true the Intent. In the OLD version who stars the battle depended on the id of the hunter, here that is problematic because the id's can be same. So the first turn is the Host.

#### fight()

The algorithm is again same as in the OLD version (calculate damage, update UI...), but now as an extra step an instance of BattleAttack is sent, containing all relevant information.

Up on reciving the BattleAttack the opponent "handlws it" by setting healt according to damage updating Hp bars and adding the necessary battle log.

In case of defeat BattleResult instance gets sent out. Up on reciving it the algoritm handles it. the same way as in local battle. Battle log shows the result, and rewardWinner(...) or punishLoser(...) (depending on weather player won or lost) gets called the same way as in Local Battle.

# 5 Layout files and UI

Layout .xml files can be found in layout folder. To kinds layout files:

- Activity layout --> they start with activity... usage is self explanatory
- Card's --> they end with card or cardview. They usage is also in the name.

Recycler View components were used and Card view items were presented in them. As I mentioned the app is very minimalistic I tried uniform colors (mainly Gray). I'm not a very artistic person.

# 6 Videos

Please watch the intro and Demostration videos, the rest is code explanation in case something didn't make sense in GitHub, description or demonstration.

Watch them in the intended order.

#### 6.1 Intro\*

#### 6.2 Run on Emulator\*

Part one clean run on emulator Link Part One (10 min)

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# 6.3 Run on Physical Device Online Battle\*

Link Physical Device Online (5 min)

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Code Explaining Videos about 20 min each ONLY watch if something DIDN'T make sense in GitHub, in Demostrational Videos, or in The description

# 6.4 Package: hunter

Link

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### 6.5 Data Storage: Json files + JsonHelper

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#### 6.6 Main Activity + Hire Hunter + Home

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# 6.7 Training + Statistics + Charts

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# 6.8 Battle Activity OLD

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#### 6.9 Network + Multi Player Setup

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### 6.10 Battle Activity (in use)

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