

PORTFOLIO HOLBERTON - STAGE 3

This document constitutes the technical documentation (Stage 3) of the Portfolio Project.

Its objective is to transform the project vision (Stage 1) and the framework (Stage 2) into a detailed technical plan serving as a blueprint for development (Stage 4).

This documentation defines:

- The user stories and their prioritization.
- The main mockups and wireframes.
- The system architecture (front-end, back-end, data).
- The components, classes, and data structures.
- The sequence diagrams for key interactions.
- The specification of internal and external APIs.
- The strategies for code management (SCM) and quality assurance (QA).
- The technical justifications for the chosen decisions.

1. User Stories and Mockups

User Stories (MoSCoW Prioritization)

Must Have (Mandatory for MVP):

- As a recruiter, I want to see an avatar with XP and level on the homepage, so that I can quickly understand the developer's progression.
- As a recruiter, I want to access a list of clickable projects (quests), so that I can view their details and associated skills.
- As a recruiter, I want to browse a skills page with badges, so that I can know which technologies are mastered.

Should Have :

- As a recruiter, I want to see a clear and concise summary for each project, so that I can quickly assess the developer's skills.
- As a mobile user, I want the portfolio to be responsive, so that I can easily browse it on a smartphone.

Could Have :

- As a visitor, I want to see RPG-style animations (XP gain, level-up), so that the experience feels more immersive.
- As a recruiter, I want to be able to switch between light and dark mode.

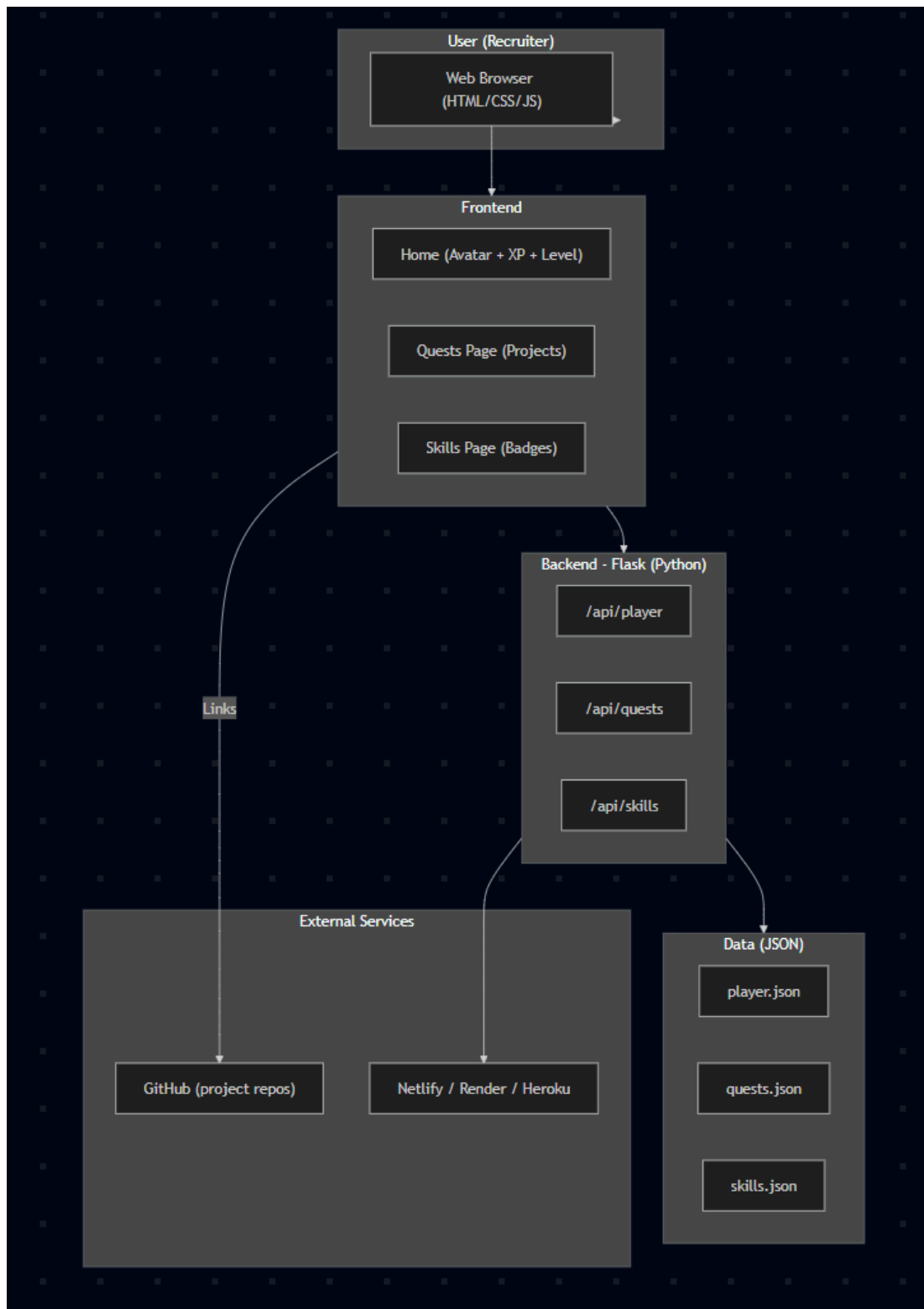
Won't Have (Out of MVP):

- Interactive mini-map.
- Item inventory (certifications, side projects, talks).

Mockups (Simple Wireframes)

- Homepage: Player avatar + XP bar + displayed level.
- Quests: Vertical list of cards (title, XP earned, short summary).
- Skills: Grid of badges with an associated level.

2. System Architecture



3. Components, Classes, and Database Design

Backend (Flask) - Endpoints :

- / → Homepage (avatar + XP).
- /quests → List of projects.
- /skills → List of skills.

API interne (JSON) :

- /api/player → returns player.json.
- /api/quests → returns quests.json.
- /api/skills → returns skills.json.

Data Structures (JSON) :

player.json :

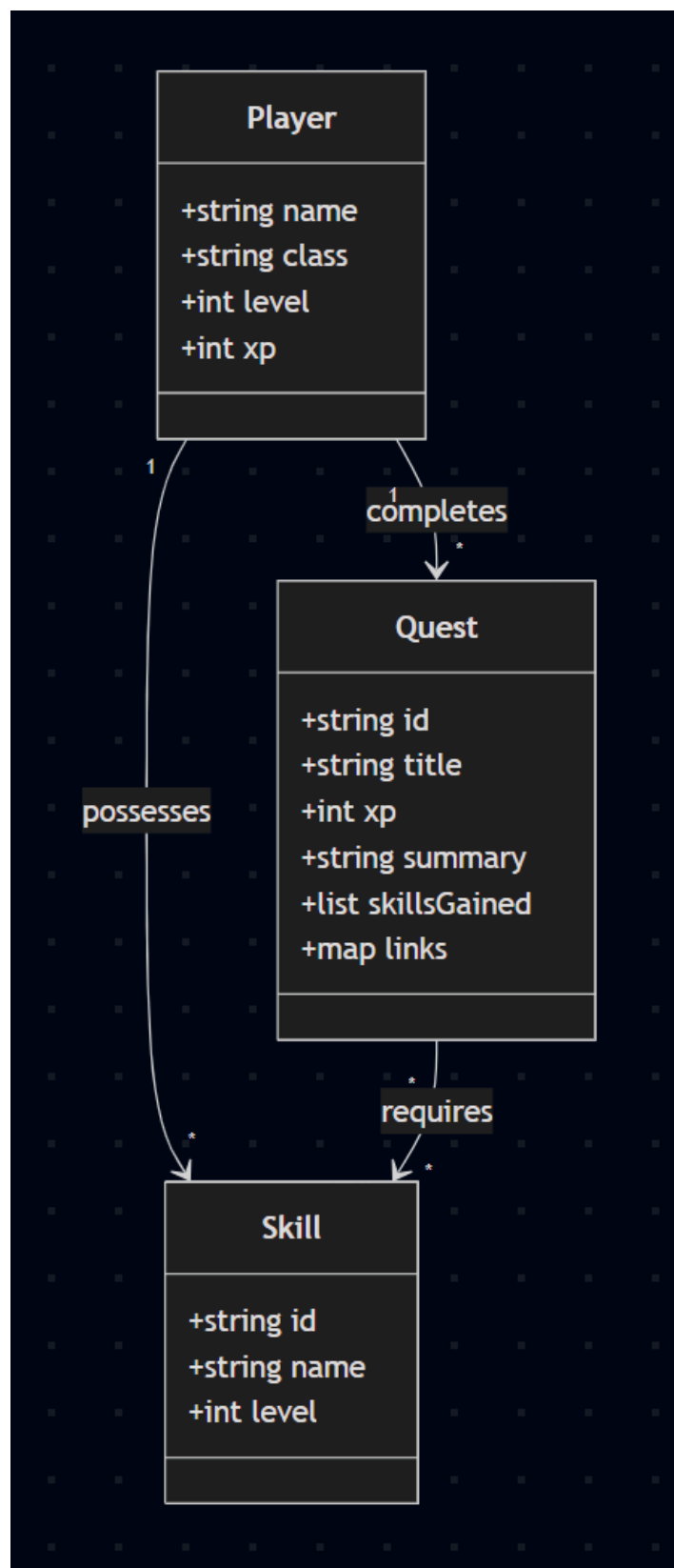
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{  
    "name": "Thomas Roncin",  
    "class": "Backend Wizard",  
    "level": 3,  
    "xp": 250  
}
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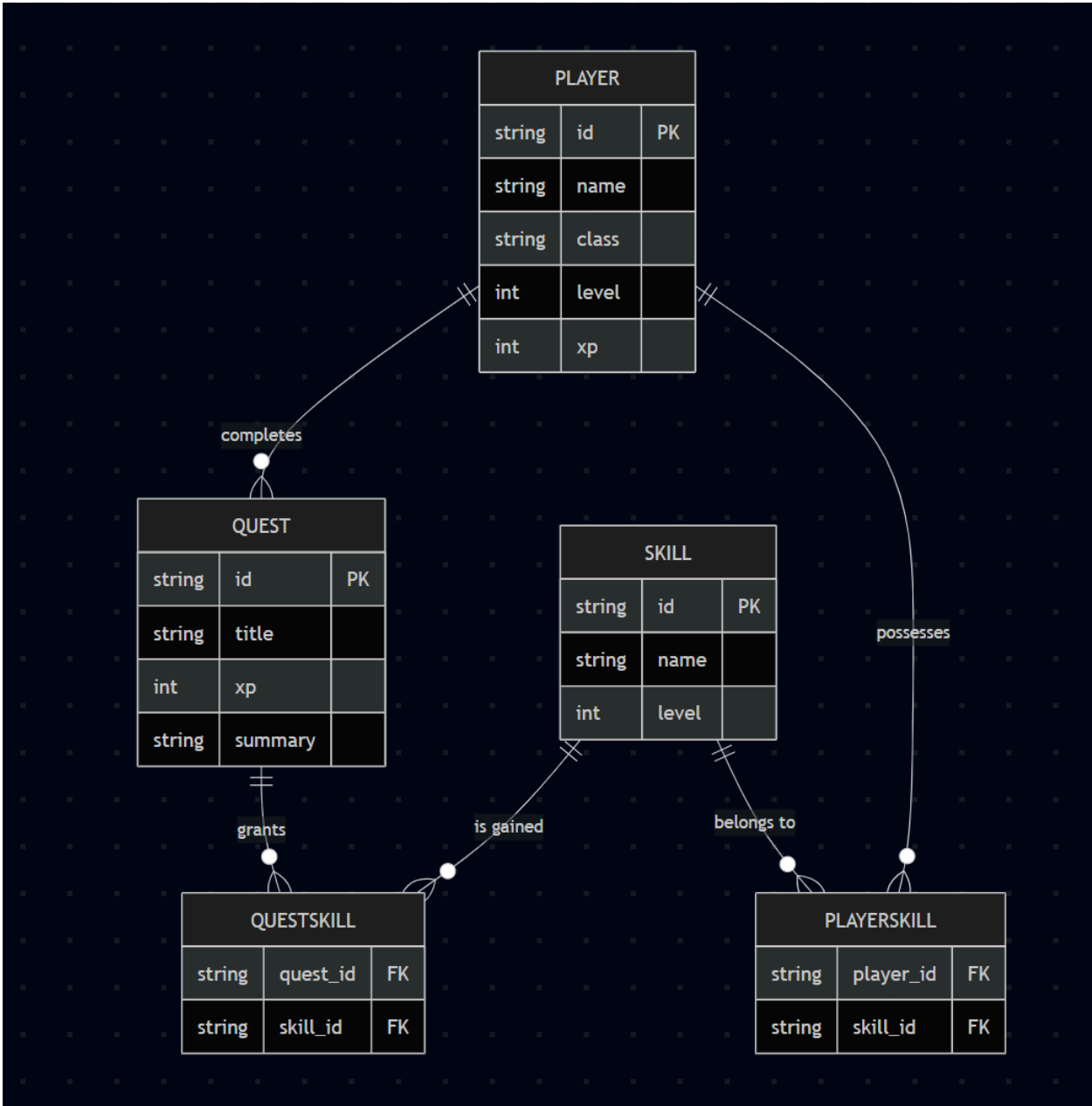
quests.json :

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[
  {
    "id": "printf",
    "title": "Forge the Ancient Function",
    "xp": 80,
    "skillsGained": ["C intermediate"],
    "summary": "Recreation of printf with format handling.",
    "links": { "github": "https://github.com/..." }
  }
]
```

skills.json :

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[
  { "id": "c2", "name": "C intermediate", "level": 2 },
  { "id": "python2", "name": "Python intermediate", "level": 5 }
]
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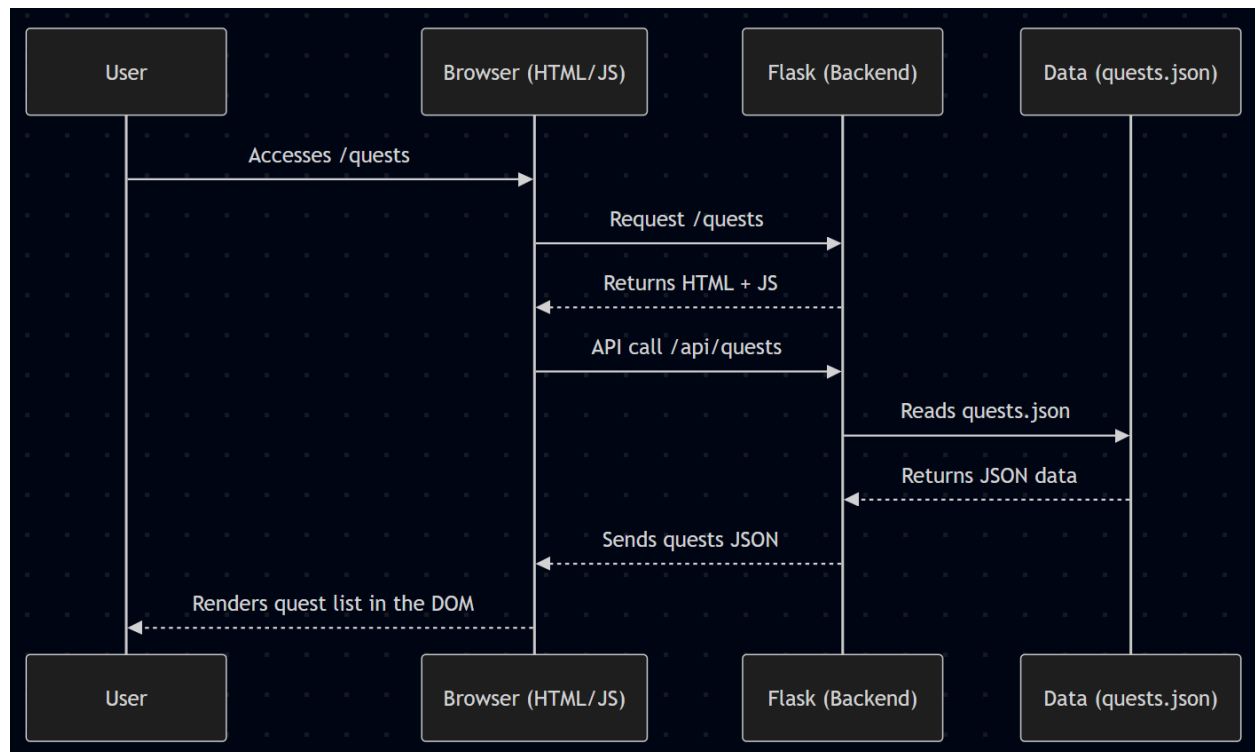




4. High-Level Sequence Diagrams

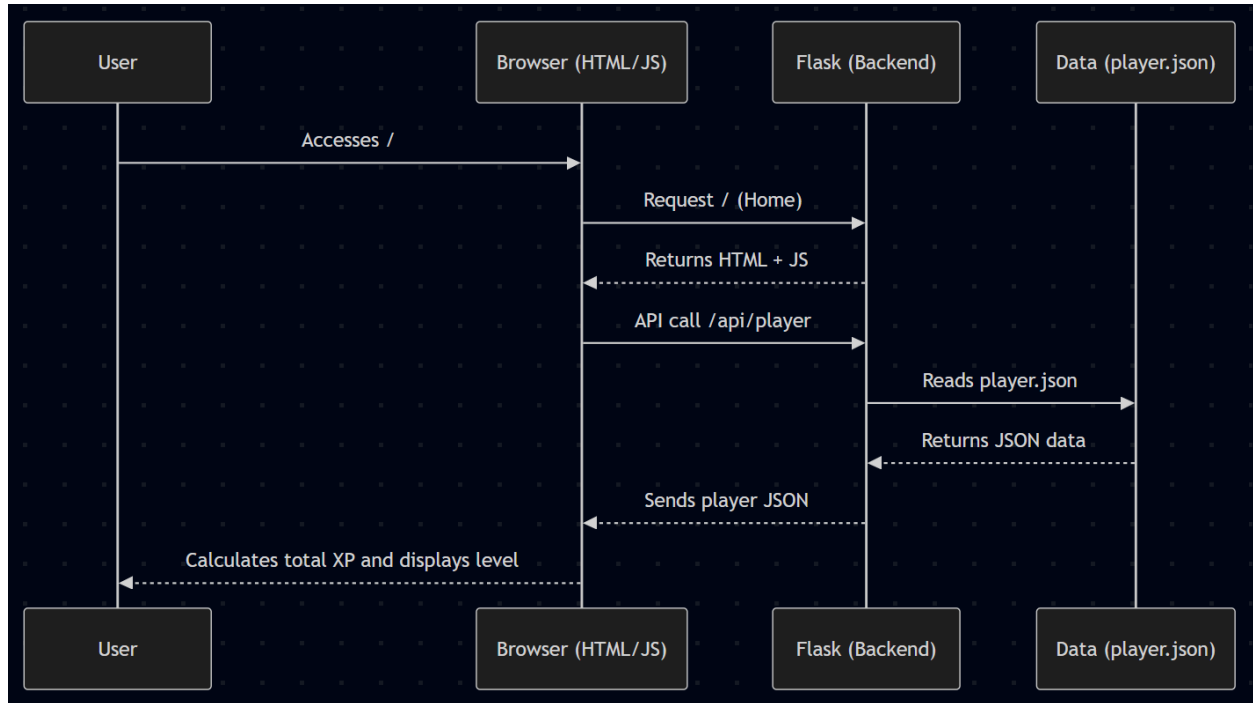
Example 1 – Quests Page Display:

- User accesses /quests.
- Flask returns HTML + JS.
- JS calls /api/quests.
- Flask returns quests.json.
- JS generates the quest list in the DOM.



Example 2 – XP/Level Calculation:

- User loads /.
- JS calls /api/player.
- Flask returns player.json.
- JS calculates total XP → displays the corresponding level.



5. APIs

External APIs :

- GitHub API → fetch repository stats (commits, stars).

Internal APIs (Flask) :

| Endpoint | Method | Input | Output |
|-------------|--------|-------|--|
| /api/player | GET | - | {name, class, level, xp} |
| /api/quests | GET | - | [{id, title, xp, summary, skillsGained}] |
| /api/skills | GET | - | [{id, name, level}] |

6. SCM and QA Strategies

Source Control (SCM) :

- GitHub as the central repository.
- Branches:
 - main → stable version.
 - dev → integration.
 - feature/* → feature-specific development.
- Workflow :
 - Commit → Pull Request → Review → Merge into dev → Merge into main.

Quality Assurance (QA) :

- Unit tests: Flask endpoints (pytest).
- Manual tests: front-end (responsiveness via Chrome DevTools).
- Accessibility: Lighthouse audit.
- Performance: Flask profiling + deployment audits.
- Integration tests: with Swagger UI (API).

7. Technical Justifications

HTML, CSS, JS: simple and fast foundation, easy to maintain.

Flask: lightweight Python micro-framework suitable for an MVP.

JSON: lightweight storage, perfect for describing projects and skills.

GitHub: source code management + data hosting.

Netlify / Render / Heroku: simple and free deployment.

React (optional): for modularity, if time allows.