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SEARCH: Smart Electronic Assistance and Retrieval Companion for Home

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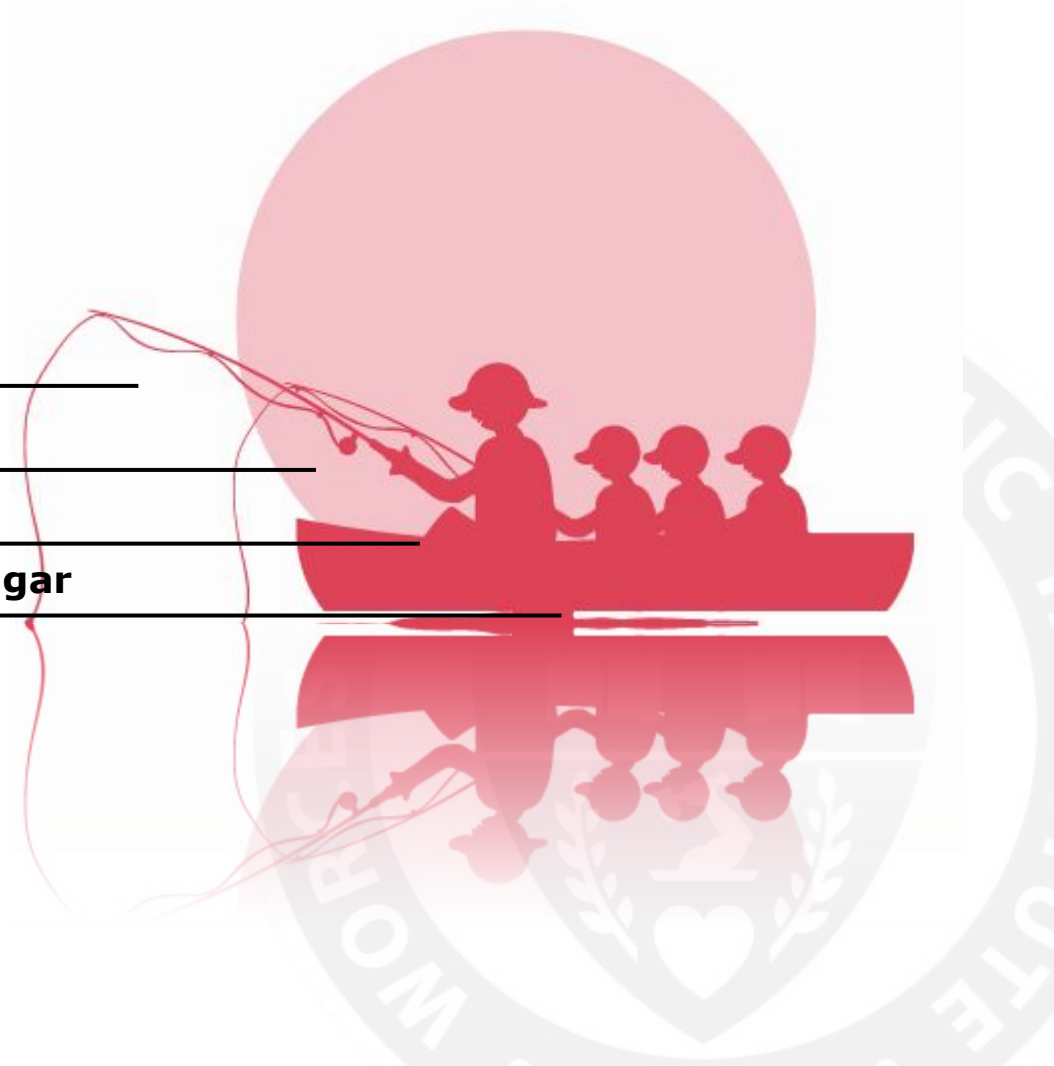
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Overview of Project

- Elderly independence — higher quality of life
- By 2030, 1/6 of population will be >60 years (WHO, 2023).
- Address the problem of **misplaced items in the elderly population**, and consequently **increase independence** in their day-to-day lives.



Elderly Woman:
<https://betterhealthwhileaging.net/8-things-to-check-after-fall-in-aging/>

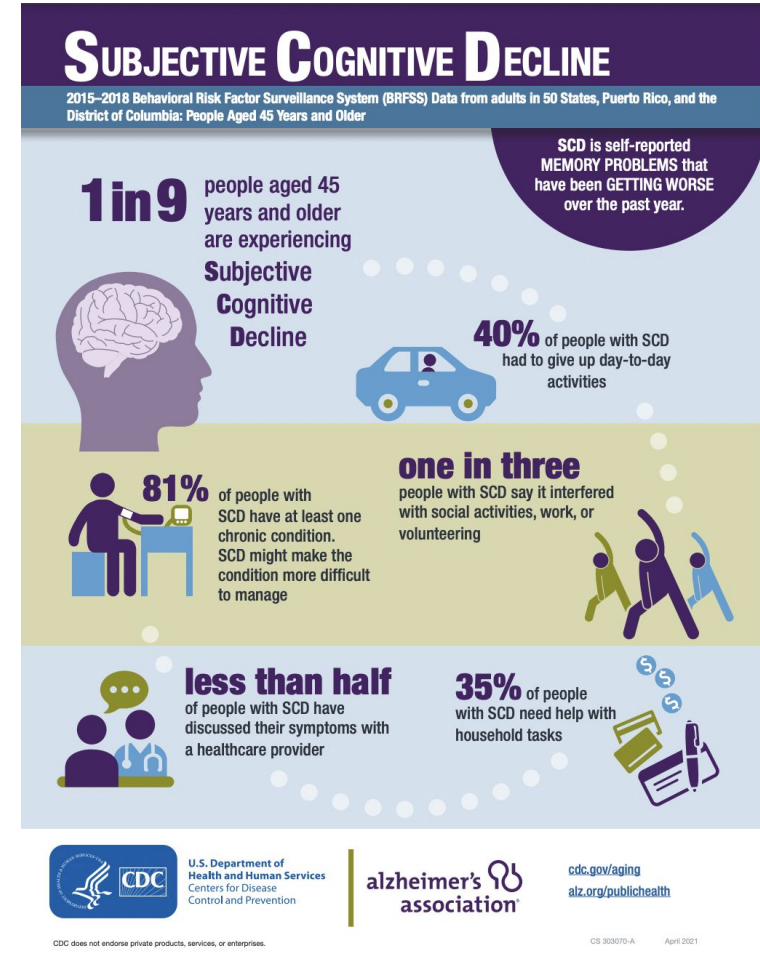
The Problem

- Dementia and various other cognitive impairments cause **forgetfulness** in the elderly population
- Short-term memory function impairments which can have effects such as **misplacing more items**.
- Important items such as **house keys** or **mobile cell phones** are often lost



Background of Dementia

- Memory loss is a *usual symptom* of aging
 - Varying degrees of memory loss
 - Dementia is a severe form of memory loss (Camepellone, 2021).
- Misplacing items can be **frustrating and time-consuming** for both the individual and their caregivers.



Infographic:

https://www.cdc.gov/aging/data/pdf/303070_FS_series_SCD_AGGREGATE_2015_2018-508.pdf



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The Design



Market Research

- Competitors
 1. Apple AirTags
 2. Tile
 3. Wearable Camera Design
- Main Issue: require *multiple units* for each tracked item—very high costs
- Reliant on GPS signals, which is not accurate within a home.
- Apple AirTags have a restrictive designs to be only compatible with iOS products.



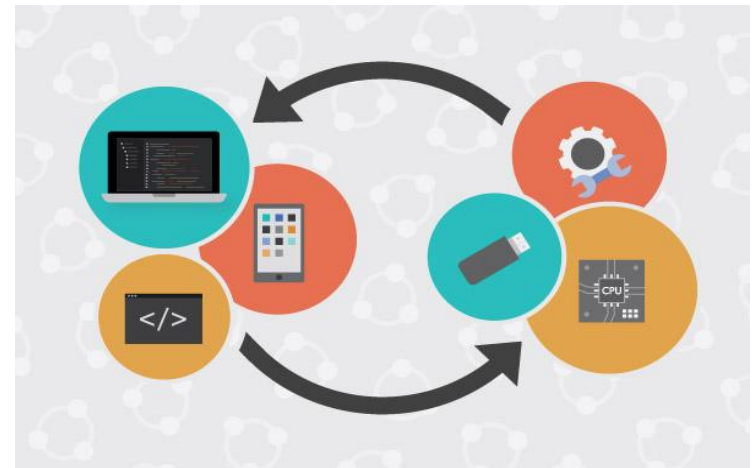
Tile:

<https://www.amazon.com/Tile-Essentials-Pack-Stickers-Mate/dp/B07W86T94T>

Apple AirTag: <https://www.apple.com/shop/buy-airtag/airtag>

Design Inspiration

- Combine skill sets of hardware and software capabilities
- Conducted background research on common problems, learned about memory loss and wanted to create device that alleviates some issues



Design Process:

<https://www.perforce.com/blog/hns/3-steps-better-collaboration-between-software-and-hardware-development-teams>

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Design Ideas

1. Carpal Tunnel

- To help individuals with Carpal Tunnel Syndrome adjust their wrist position to prevent damage
- Very similar project presented by Mack & Min, 2019.

2. Misplaced Item Finder

- To help individuals with memory loss find commonly misplaced items
- Issues with existing solutions



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Misplaced Item Finder

Requirements (Need #1)

- Identify the **locations of misplaced items** within an area with at least 90% accuracy
- Reduce the frequency of searching for lost items by at least 50%
- Product lifespan of at least one year
- **Respond to client requests** for misplaced items within 10 seconds
- Accept commands from natural English language
- Does not cause injury or damage to clients or their property

Requirements (Level #2)

- Conduct searches for misplaced items at least once a day
- Not cost greater than \$300.00; sustain movement and data collection for at least half an hour
- Be properly secured; finish video recording processing in less than 10 minutes
- Not capture unauthorized media

Requirements (Level #3)

- Shall be physically customizable to suit the client
- Shall have maintenance costs of less than \$100.00 per year
- Shall be aesthetically pleasing
- Shall weigh less than 10 pounds

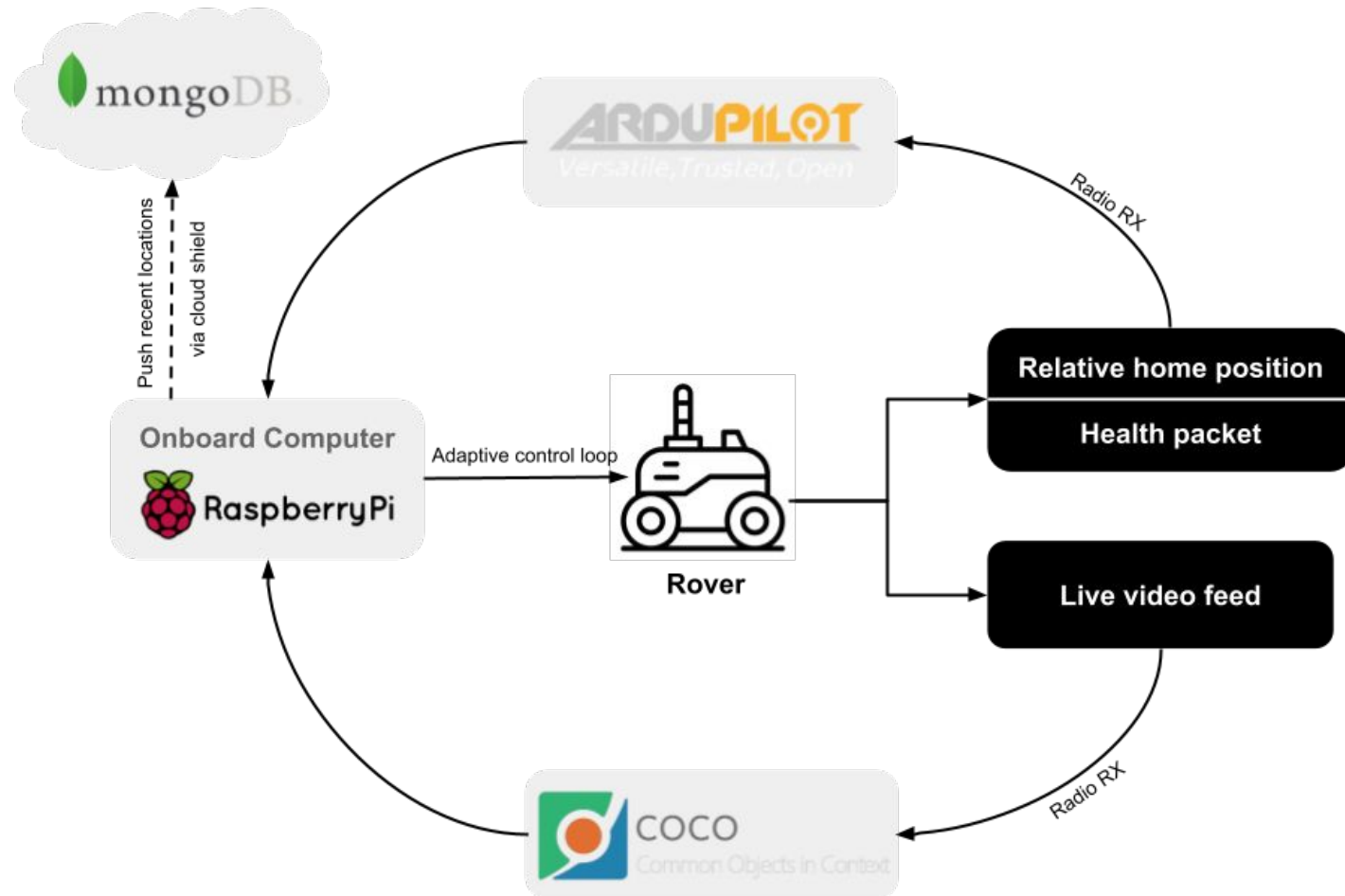


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Project Plan



Design Concept #1



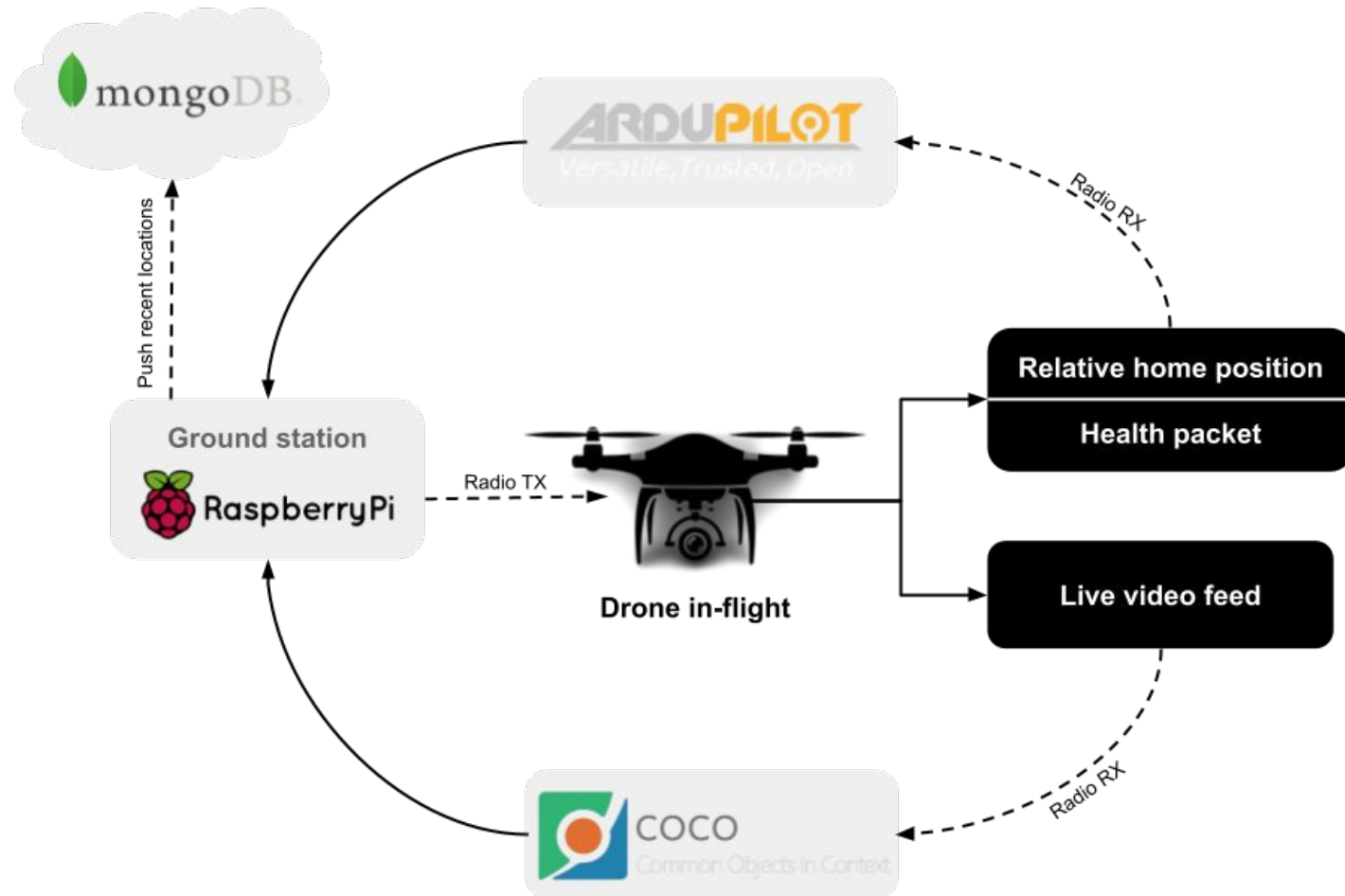
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Market Research											
	Client Search										
		Brainstorm and Design									
				Product Development and Initial Testing							
						Feedback and Reiteration					
						Final Testing and Review					
									Delivery and Presentation		

Design 1 Proposed Materials & Budget

Component	Quantity	Cost	Interfaces
Motor + Wheel Kit	1	\$27.00	Raspberry Pi
Raspberry Pi 4	1	\$75.00*	Motors, cloud
WiFi antenna	1	\$10.00	Raspberry Pi
Nav Sensor Kit	1	\$10.00	Raspberry Pi
Cameras	2	\$70.50	Raspberry Pi
Charging station	—————	\$15.25	Rover dock
Software Costs	—————	\$15.00	Raspberry Pi
Total		\$222.75	

Design Concept #2



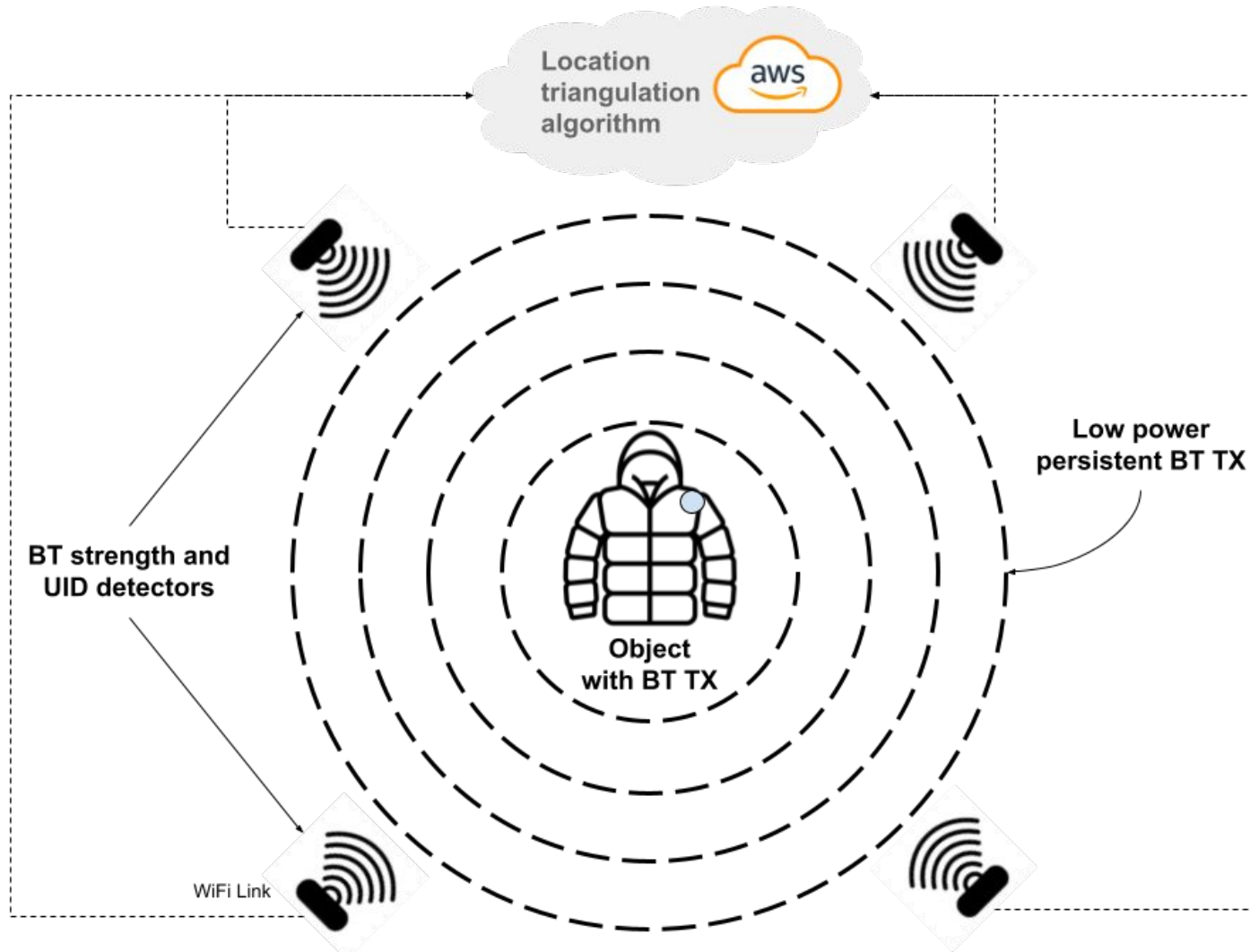
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									Delivery and Presentation		

Design 2 Proposed Materials & Budget

Component	Quantity	Cost	Interfaces
Drone avionics	_____	\$100	RX/TX System
Flight hardware	_____	\$75.00	Avionics
Charging station	1	\$50.00	RX/TX System
Software Costs		\$20.00	Content
Total		\$245.00	

Design Concept #3



Timeline of Design Concept #3

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Design 3 Proposed Materials & Budget

Component	Quantity	Cost	Interfaces
Bluetooth Tracker	20	\$75.00	_____
Bluetooth Hub + Amplifiers	5	\$50.00	Cloud
Software Costs	_____	\$20.00	_____
Total		\$145.00	

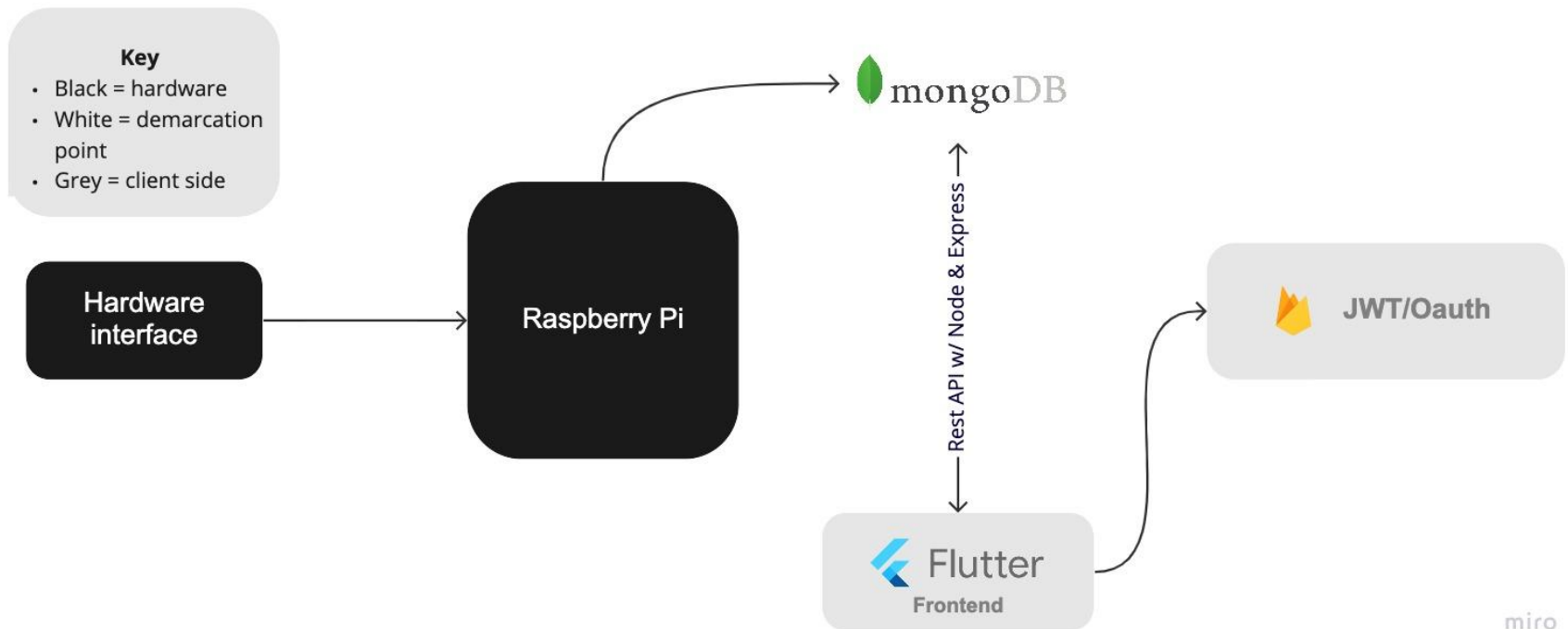


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User Interface

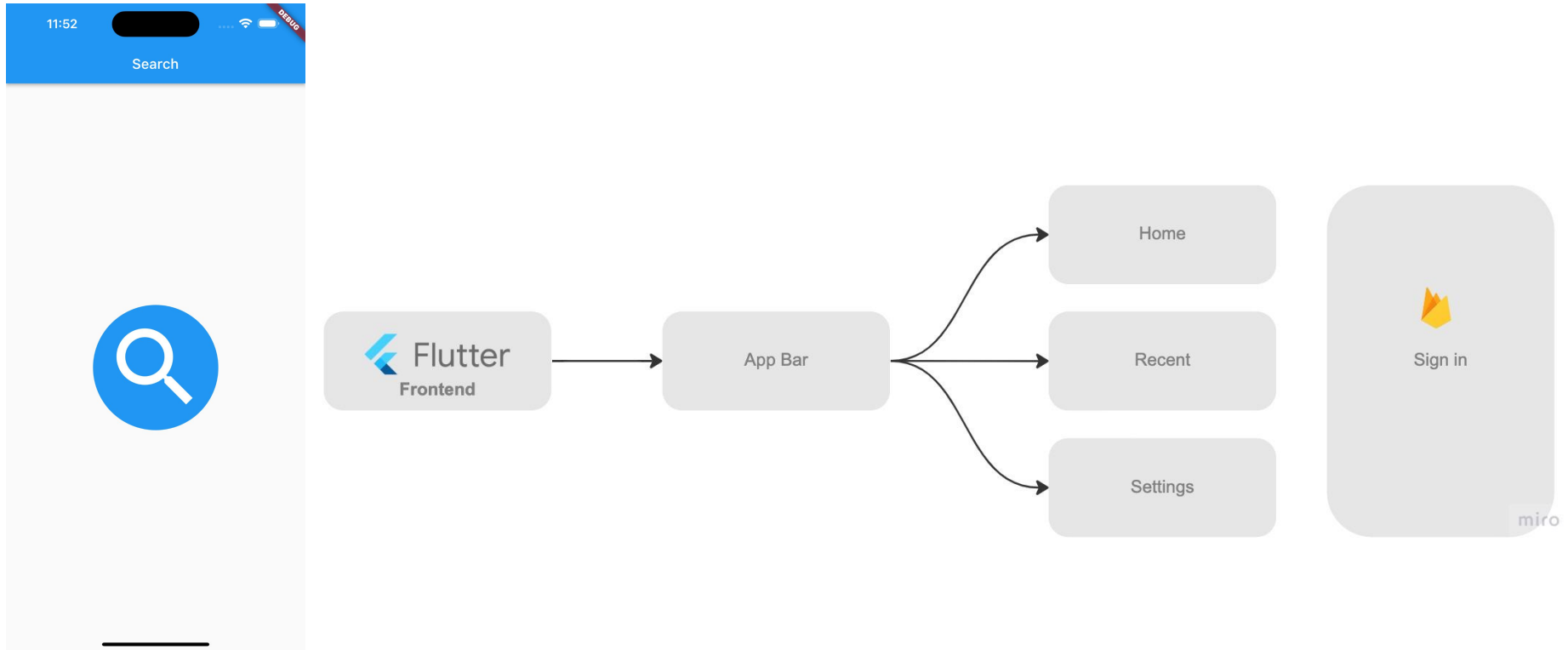


Proposed Design

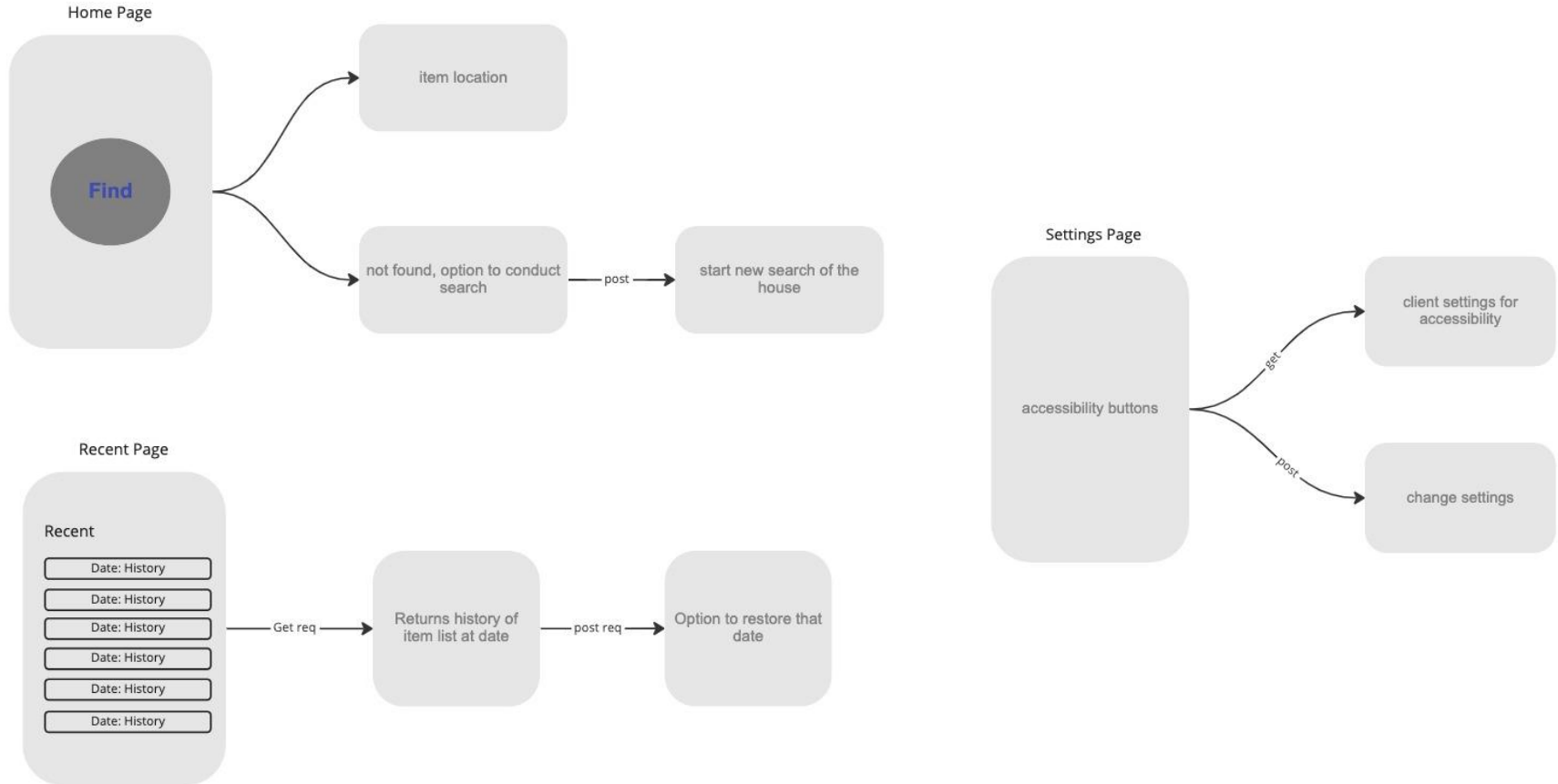


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Application Design



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Thank you for listening.

Any Questions?