Tournament System Design

Registration Process

- Groups of five register, filling out a form with their information.
- Initially, the status is "unchecked," indicating they are in the queue.
- The system accommodates a set number of groups (e.g., 10 groups).
- Once the limit is reached, the system stops accepting registrations (overflow).

Check-in and Matching

- After registration, the status updates to "check-in" automatically.
- Players can view this status in their profile.
- The system auto-sorts and matches players for competitions (e.g., 5 vs. 5).
- Matching is done to achieve a balanced competition.

Competition and Results

- Groups compete, and the system records the outcome (win or lose).
- The system updates the status to reflect the results of the first match.

Flowchart Design

- The process starts with sign-up/registration.
- Followed by check-in.
- Then progresses to the tournament.
- Ultimately displaying the results, including top rankings and history.

Admin vs. Player Perspective

- Both players and admins can use the system.
- Admins can perform tasks like removing/replacing players, handling early bird registrations, and managing last-minute check-ins.
- The system handles player registrations, ensuring tournament readiness.

Database Considerations

- Sign-up: Admins manage early bird registrations.
- Check-in: Admins can view and sort check-ins.
- Admins need access to all player information, ensuring no attributes are ignored.
- Data is temporarily stored in a queue before being written to a CSV file.

Data Management

- Admins can remove or replace entries in the queue.
- The queue acts as a temporary cache before data is moved to the CSV file.
- Player ID should be auto-generated.
- Include a group ID to identify which group a player belongs to.

Table Design

- Design a database table to link all relevant information (tournament records, etc.).
- Data should be accessible in multiple ways, including through Excel.

Additional Admin Controls

- Admins set the time for check-in.
- Admins define tournament requirements, such as group size (e.g., 3 vs. 3, 4 members per group).
- All settings and records are stored in an admin-specific file.

Tournament Type Selection

- The system could allow choosing the type of tournament.
- Currently, the focus is on implementing a group ID and randomizing player IDs.

System Overview

- Roles: Player, Audience, Admin.
- Define the actions each role can perform within the system.

System Overview and Task Management

When designing the system, it's essential to consider the overall flow and how different components interact.

- The lecture uses a tournament as a metaphor for an entire system. Every part of the tournament must connect until the end. This system may include extras such as adding a ticket for the audience.
- Focus on achieving the four main tasks first. Additional features can be considered if time permits, but ensure the core functionality is smooth and complete.
- When creating a flowchart, visualize the entire system to see the overview and determine the necessary Excel sheets.
- Individual flowcharts for each task can be created and combined.

Tournament Structure

Choose a tournament structure that balances complexity and control.

Binary Tree Tournament

- When thinking of a tournament with a binary tree, think of binary search.
- Teams are organized in groups.
- Determine how teams advance (e.g., top one, top two, top three).

Round Robin Tournament

In a round robin tournament, each team plays against every other team.

- Complication: Round robin can become complicated, especially with a large number of teams.
- Wins: The winner is determined by the number of wins.
- Recording: It's necessary to record wins, losses, and ties for each group.
- Adding Teams: In an open round robin, new teams can be added continuously.
- Control: A round robin requires that the number of players is restricted.

Point System in Round Robin

- Points are awarded for wins.
- After each game, the team is added to a list of competitions until every team is finished.
- After a team loses, they cannot reach the maximum points.
- With the point system, there will be only one team with the most points.

Restricting the Number of Players

- Restricting the number of players is preferable.
- Limit the total number of teams to simplify the system.

Data Recording

- The system should primarily record data.
- Focus on making the system work with fake data and recording everything. There is no need to show how the tournament progresses.