#### "EASY PARK"

#### **CAR PARK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

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## **ABSTRACT**

In present day, with developments in information technology, every organization tries to become smarter by integrating smart systems in their business processes. This has been amplified with the increased usage of Internet. The Internet has revolutionized communication and Internet of Things concept came into play by connecting everyday objects in a network allowing them to send and receive data.

The busy schedules and the improved standards of living have caused the increased use of private vehicles by the community. But a lot of valuable time of people is wasted in trying to find a car park to park their vehicle.

"Easy Park" Car Park Management System is a mobile application designed with a number of features to help the drivers find a car park easily and quickly.

My main objective is to facilitate solutions for the unarticulated needs of a driver in Sri Lanka. Once the mobile application is developed, the driver can use it from via any mobile device which provide Internet facility. This enables a driver to find the nearest car park to his destination. It provides the reservation facility of a parking space of a selected car park, payment handling facility, GPS facility to get directions to the car park, SMS facility to get updates on parking reservations and report generation facilities.

The report expects to discuss the issues faced by a particular driver, the findings of the system analysis done by the author and functional and technical features of the proposed "Easy Park" Car Park Management System.

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## CHAPTER 1

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This chapter gives a brief introduction of the Web based Car Park Management System and related web solution, need of the system and the user base. It also describes the business process, aims and objectives of the proposed system and the scope of the project. At the end, this chapter explains the feasibility and tools.

## 1.1 Introduction to "Easy Park" Car Park Management System

The lives of people are changing due to developments in Information Technology. With the introduction of the Internet, people tend to embrace Information Technology much further to ease their day to day activities.

The Internet of Things extends Internet connectivity beyond the traditional devices like desktop and laptop computers, smartphones and tablets to a diverse range of devices and everyday things that utilize embedded technology to communicate and interact with the external environment, all via the Internet.

These developments have changed the daily lifestyles of people rapidly. Today the systems and processes of the organizations have been automated using these improvements in IT and Internet to increase their productivity and efficiency.

According to the current scenario, vehicles have become a major concern when it comes to parking. More fuel is consumed by vehicles in trying to find a car park in a busy city. Even when they find a car park, they have to drive around the car park to find a parking space. In some parks, there's a parking attendant to direct them, but in most of the car parks there's no one to direct. Sometimes drivers tend to park the car on the side of the road causing major traffic jams when they unable to find a car park or a parking space. It would be better if a platform is developed to let the drivers know about the car parks in a particular city and the free parking spaces available in the car park.

This software is basically a system that facilitates car parks to serve customer at their best. Parking availability changes very quickly and the drivers don't want to show up at a space that is no longer available. So the main priority is to provide accurate and reliable real time data to the drivers all the time. Through this system a person can reserve a parking space in a selected car park that is nearer to his destination. This system enables the car park attendant to calculate parking charges easily with real time data obtained from the sensors. The special feature of this system is the navigation facility which will direct the user to the particular car park and the parking space without an issue.

## 1.2 Business Process

At present in Sri Lanka, the parking process in a car park is carried out in a completely manual manner.

A vehicle has to drive through the whole car park to find a free parking space when it comes to a car park. If there are no parking spaces, the vehicle have to leave the car park to find another car park. If the driver is a newcomer to the city, he has to drive around the whole city to find a car park.

If there is a parking space, a ticket will be written by the parking attendant and given to the driver where the time the car was parked is recorded. When the car leaves the car park, the due amount is needed to be paid by the driver. The due amount is calculated considering the time the car was parked in the car park.

In most of the car parks, a "parking is full" sign is kept at the entrance by the parking attendant. But since it is visible only when the car goes to the car park, drivers face issues and sometimes traffic jams also occur. This may cause loss of customers to the car parks as well as to the organization or the shop to which the customer has target to go.

#### 1.3 Problem Definition

Following are some major problems identified in the current car parks.

- Lot of fuel is consumed during the search for the parking spaces through the car park
- Driver doesn't know about the parking availability of a particular car park until he gets to the car park
- The parking ticket can be lost
- Inability to issue a ticket with the entrance time if the parking attendant not present
- Time consuming
- Driver doesn't know the directions to find a particular car park in the city and a parking space in a car park

At present, a typical car park in Sri Lanka carries out its operations in a completely manual manner which is very inconvenient for the drivers and the parking attendants.

## 1.4 Aims and Objectives

The main objective of this "Easy Park" car park management system is to go beyond just helping the drivers to locate a parking space. The system enables the drivers to locate the right parking space.

#### 1. Minimize the time consumed with finding a parking space

Parking space reservation functionality is provided by the proposed car park management system. Parking space of a particular car park in the selected city can be reserved by the user while staying at home. This will reduce the fuel consumption and the time wasted in finding a parking space. The estimated parking time can be given by the user, which could be used for management purposes of the car park. The parking spaces will be allocated according to the time the vehicle will be parked in the car park.

The GPS facility will be provided by this future system to direct the driver to the relevant car park where the parking space is reserved.

## 2. Improve efficiency and accuracy

Electronic payment methods will be enabled through the system. The parking ticket will be sent automatically to the particular user account. The entrance time and exit time will be extracted from the system through RFID technology and used for the calculation of the parking charges. The payment amount will be automatically deducted from the subscription.

#### 3. Provide timely data

Timely and efficient data will be transmitted through the sensors and other physical devices in the car park. Based on the transmitted data SMS notifications will be sent to the user to communicate about the updates in reservation facilities of a selected car park or a selected city.

#### 4. Improved decision making

Assistance for the management decision making process will be provided by the new system with an array of statistical and operational research analysis tools to generate reports.

## 1.5 Scope with Clear Boundaries

This section will discuss the scope of the project as being depicted by the figure 1.1 below.

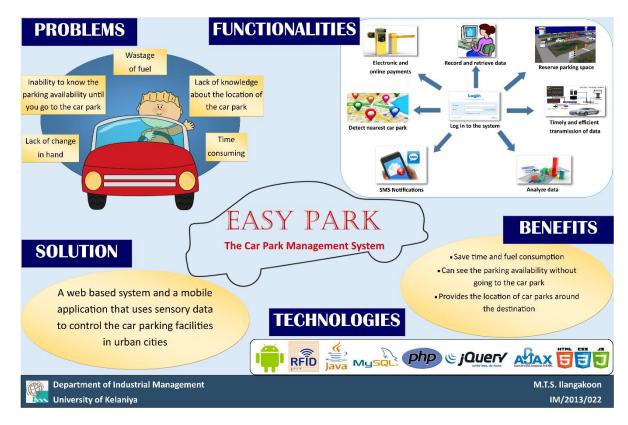


Figure 1.1 Scope of the Project

As illustrated in figure 1.1 "Easy Park" car park management system provides a web based system and a mobile application that uses sensory data to control the car parking facilities in urban cities. The project will cover registration of users to the system by creating user accounts for the drivers, car parks and the system administrator. The location of the car park is stored in the system and it is shown in the map when the driver searched for car parks in a particular destination. Parking slots can be reserved by the driver by giving the date, entrance time and exit time. SMS notifications will be sent to the driver reminding him about the reservation. RFID technology will be used to track the entrance and exit time of a vehicle to calculate the parking charges. The payment amount will be automatically deducted from the driver's subscription. Timely and accurate data will be transferred by the sensors in the parking slot stating whether a particular slot is available for parking.

## 1.6 Organization of the Report

This thesis covers the system analysis and design segments of the proposed system for a car parking process.

Chapter 1 introduces the current business process, problems and the objectives of the proposed system. It clearly defines the scope and the boundaries.

Chapter 2 presents the clear analysis of the existing system and the requirement analysis of the system. It further analyses the available business system options (BSOs) and defines the best option to proceed with.

Chapter 3 is the depiction of the furtherance of the project after the requirement analysis and specification. This will provide a better understanding of the system behavior and the interactions with the diagrams used. One diagram will lead to another to explain the functionality, entries and their relationships. By the end of the chapter, database design will show the tables which will be used in the system and Graphical User Interfaces will further elaborate its performance.

## 1.7 Summary

In Chapter 1, the nature of the business process and the current functionalities were identified. Then the problems and issues were defined, through which the objectives were emphasized. Furthermore, clear boundaries and scope for the system were defined.

## CHAPTER 2

## 2. SYSTEM ANALYSIS

This chapter mainly covers the requirement analysis of the system. It describes the requirement gathering techniques, how the data are analyzed and the requirement definitions. Then going into much deeper, it shows what are the business system options of the project and which BSO is the option to design the system.

## 2.1 Use Case Diagram for the Current System

The functionalities of existing process are completely handled manually, so we cannot clearly identify an exact boundary for the manual process because it's open for all users who involve in this process under different levels. Therefore, the consistency of the process is very poor. Below use case diagram shows the overall scope of the existing process which completely carries out manually.

The figure 2.1 illustrates the overall use case diagram for the existing car parking system

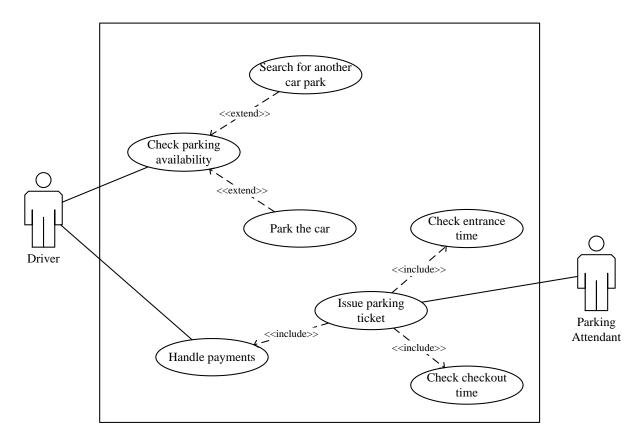


Figure 2.1 Overall Use Case diagram for the Existing System

The figure 2.1 illustrates how the users interact with the system functionalities of the current system. Check parking availability, handle payments, issuing parking tickets, searching for another car park if parking not available, checking entrance and exit times are the main use cases identified in the current system.

## 2.2 Activity Diagrams for the Current System

## 2.2.1 Activity diagram to describe the functionality of parking a car

The figure 2.2 illustrates the activity diagram to describe the functionality of the car parking process identified in the existing use case in the manual process.

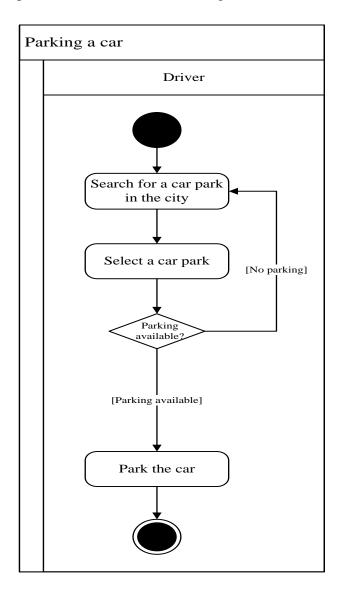


Figure 2.2 Activity Diagram for the Car Parking Process of the Existing System

The activity diagram for car parking process of the existing system illustrated in figure 2.2 describes the flow of activities by the relevant users of the system in an elaborated manner. The activities done by a particular user and how a decision made by a user proceeds to the next action is clearly depicted in the diagram.

### 2.2.2 Activity diagram to describe the functionality of the payment handling

The figure 2.3 illustrates the activity diagram to describe the functionality of the payment handling identified in the current manual process.

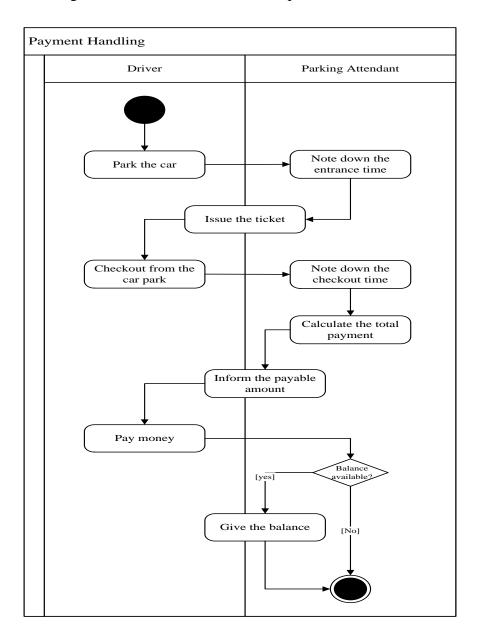


Figure 2.3 Activity Diagram for Payment Handling Process of the Existing System

The activity diagram for user payment handling process of the existing system illustrated in figure 2.3 describes the flow of activities by the relevant users of the system in an elaborated manner. The activities done by a particular user and how a decision made by a user proceeds to the next action is clearly depicted in the diagram.

## 2.3 System Requirement Analysis

System requirements analysis phase aims at providing a full description of the problem based on the concepts defined in the problem domain. This section would brief the reader of the functional and non-functional requirements identified by the author in the system analysis phase and those will be identified as mandatory requirements with the 'shall and non-mandatory requirements with the wording 'should'.

## 2.3.1 Functional Requirements

The table 2.1 will show the functional requirements of the system.

**Table 2.1 Functional Requirements** 

ID	Requirement
1.	Shall be able to create a user account
2.	Shall be able to reserve a parking space by stating the necessary time and date
3.	Shall be able to delete, update and search reservation details
4.	Shall be able to insert, delete, update and search vehicle owner details in case of an emergency
5.	Shall be able to insert, delete, update and search car park details.
6.	Shall be able to view all the car parks in a particular city
7.	Shall be able to identify free parking spaces in a particular car park
8.	Shall be able to navigate the driver to the car park
9.	Shall be able to send SMS notifications for the user about the reserved parking space
10.	Shall be able to calculate the parking fee by considering the parking time and check out time of a vehicle
11.	Shall be able to handle payments
12.	Shall be able to generate summary reports
13.	Should be able to send the invoice to the user
14.	Should be able to calculate the probability of freeing a car space through statistical analysis

The functional requirements described in table 2.1 are what the system should be able to do in order to satisfy the main objective of it. Mainly these describe what are the tasks or functions which the system can perform after implementation.

### 2.3.2 Non-Functional Requirements

Non-functional requirements describe the behavior of the system other than the main functionalities of it. Hence, they will cover the requirements which are not included in section 2.3.1. The table 2.2 will show the non-functional requirements identified.

**Table 2.2 Non-Functional Requirements** 

ID	Requirements
1.	Shall be able to present a more attractive user-friendly interface
2.	Shall be able to be up and running 24 hours
3.	Shall be able to provide fast service
4.	Shall be able to provide accurate and reliable real time data to drivers
5.	Should be platform independent
6.	Should be able to transmit data through sensors accurately and efficiently
7.	Should be able to use the system services through a smart phone
8.	Should be facilitate to access without time and geography restrictions
9.	Should be able to provide safe and secured system

The non-functional requirements in table 2.2 describe the usability, reliability, performance, maintainability and other similar aspects of the system. These set of requirements may not be directly related to the main functionality, but they are of extreme importance to the proper functioning of the system.

## 2.4 Requirement Specification

This section explains the basic functionalities required in the customer side mobile solution of the proposed system. All requirements will be organized in order to give a full view of the system and describe them in an orderly fashion.

### Create customer profile

- 1. The system shall allow user to create profile with his/her details and set credentials
- 2. Only one registration is allowed with one valid NIC number of a customer
- 3. At the registration, some information should be compulsory to retrieve and that information will be accessible to some authorized users
- 4. The system shall authenticate user credentials to view the profile
- 5. The system shall allow the user to update the profile information

#### Create car park profile

- 1. The system shall allow the car park attendant to create a profile with the relevant details
- 2. Any number of car parks can be registered with the same name but with different locations
- 3. At the registration, some information should be compulsory to retrieve and that information will be accessible to some authorized users
- 4. The system shall authenticate user credentials to view the profile
- 5. The system shall allow the user to update the profile information

## Users shall be able to log into the system

- 1. Users shall provide the username and password when log into the system
- 2. Users should be able to update information in their accounts whenever they intended
- 3. Users should be able to logout of the system whenever they intended
- 4. Users should be able to deactivate their account whenever they intended

Provide search and browse cities, according to the user requirements

- 1. The system shall provide the search facility
- 2. The system shall enable the user to enter search text on the screen
- 3. The system shall display the location and a detailed list of car parks in a particular city
- 4. The system shall enable users to navigate between search results
- 5. The system shall notify the user when no matching result found on the search

#### Provide reservation facility

- 1. The user shall be able to input reservation time and date
- 2. The system shall be able to transmit necessary reservation details between the customer and the car park
- 3. The system shall be able to calculate parking fee according to the defined conditions
- 4. The system shall be able to send notifications to the user about the reservation facility

### Provide comprehensive parking details

- 1. The system shall provide detailed information about a particular car park
- 2. The system shall provide the availability of the parking spaces in the car park

## 2.5 **Business System Options (BSOs)**

This project has to be focused on satisfying the identified requirements and also focused on the future requirements. According to this project, the features which the BSOs are offering should satisfy mainly the driver's online parking requests, parking reservation requirements and car park attendant's data entry & transmission requirements. In line with these requirements, all the BSOs must have the car park infrastructure and internet facility because any interested user should be able to access to browse and get parking details.

In this section BSOs will be presented and at the end they will be evaluated to come up with the best option. Each BSO will be consisted of overlapping features as well as exclusive features. Since each BSO will be focused on different aspects, each BSO will require different sets of software combinations. Evaluation of the BSOs will be done by comparing them against the functional and non-functional requirements of the system.

### 2.5.1 Business System Options Identification

BSO 1 – Mobile application for the driver

BSO 2 – Web based solution for the driver

#### 2.5.2 **BSO 1: Mobile application for the driver**

### **Description**

This BSO is concerned about introducing a mobile application for the driver. This will be an integration of android application and website with added functionalities. Accessibility is available from anywhere, anytime along with an internet accessibility.

#### **Functionalities**

Driver can create their profiles through the mobile application, secured login, search car parks that are closer to their destination, check parking availability, reserve parking slots in a car park by giving the time and date, view payment details and hold review will integrate with this BSO. The driver can access to the web interface as well as the mobile application using their mobile phones when the internet access is enabled.

The navigation function is provided by the google map API integrated with the mobile application.

#### **Benefits**

- Can be accessed from anywhere through the internet
- Accurate and easy navigation
- API can be integrated easily with least modifications

#### **Issues**

- Incompatibility
- Less shear ability

#### **Justification**

This BSO satisfies almost all of the functional requirements and non-functional requirements. Since this is an internet solution, it will give flexibility to both the driver and the car park attendant to use it, access it from anywhere and update information. The google map API used in the mobile application enable the driver to detect the car park easily and provide navigational instructions to find the car park. But the problem is the incompatibility of the application due to different operating systems used in different smart phones.

#### 2.5.3 **BSO 2:** Web based solution for the driver

### **Description**

This BSO is concerned about introducing a web-based online application for the drivers.

#### **Functionalities**

User can create their profiles, secured login, search car parks that are closer to their destination, check parking availability, reserve parking slots in a car park by giving the time and date, view payment details and hold review will integrate with this BSO. User also can access to the web interface using their mobile phones when the internet access is enabled.

#### **Benefits**

- Can be accessed from anywhere through the internet
- Give more attractive user interfaces compared to the BSO 1
- Platform independent

#### **Issues**

- Security issues
- Difficult to integrate API to the system
- Rely highly on good internet connection
- Need to use the navigation function separately to get the directions

#### **Justification**

Though the interfaces are more attractive than the mobile application, the problem with this BSO is the inability to get the navigation instructions via the website directly. If the API is added, a considerable amount of modifications needs to be done. Only the location of the car park can be obtained.

#### 2.6 Evaluation of BSOs

Evaluation of the BSOs will be done by comparing them first with the functional and non-functional requirements. Then the pros and cons of the BSOs will also be considered. Ultimately the best option could be one of the BSOs. Looking at the two BSOs, it seems that both of them cover almost all the requirements mentioned in the requirements catalogue. But there are some differences when taking the other constraints into consideration. The following tables shows the comparison of the each BSO with the requirements.

### 2.6.1 Functional requirements vs BSOs

Table 2.3 Functional requirements vs BSOs

ID	Requirement	BSO 1	BSO 2
1.	Shall be able to create a user account	X	X
2.	Shall be able to reserve a parking space by stating the necessary time and date	X	X
3.	Shall be able to delete, update and search reservation details	X	X
4.	Shall be able to insert, delete, update and search vehicle owner details in case of an emergency	X	X
5.	Shall be able to insert, delete, update and search car park details.	X	X
6.	Shall be able to view all the car parks in a particular city	X	X
7.	Shall be able to identify the free parking spaces in a particular city	X	X
8.	Shall be able to navigate the driver to the car park	X	X
9.	Shall be able to send SMS notifications for the user about the reserved parking space	X	X

10.	Shall be able to calculate the parking fee by considering the parking	X	X
	time and check out time of a vehicle		
11.	Shall be able to handle payments	X	X
12.	Shall be able to generate summary reports	X	X
13.	Should be able to send the invoice to the user	X	X
14.	Should be able to calculate the probability of freeing a car space	X	X
	through statistical analysis		

Table 2.3 illustrates the comparison of the two BSO with the functional requirements. According the above comparison, all the functional requirements are satisfied by the both BSOs.

## 2.6.2 Non-functional requirements vs BSOs

Table 2.4 Non-Functional requirements vs BSOs

ID	Requirements	BSO 1	BSO 2
1.	Shall be able to present a more attractive user-friendly interface	X	
2.	Shall be able to be up and running 24 hours	X	X
3.	Shall be able to provide fast service	X	
4.	Shall be able to provide accurate and reliable real time data to drivers	X	X
5.	Should be platform independent		X
6.	Should be able to transmit data through sensors accurately and efficiently	X	X
7.	Should be able to use the system services through a smart phone	X	X
8.	Should be facilitate to access without time and geography restrictions	X	X
9.	Should be able to provide safe and secured system	X	X

Table 2.4 illustrates the comparison of the two BSO with the non-functional requirements. According the above comparison, most of the non-functional requirements are satisfied by the both BSOs. But attractive user friendly interface and providing fast services are not satisfied by BSO 2 while the platform independency is not satisfied by BSO 1.

#### 2.6.3 **Selected BSO**

The selected BSO is the first one, i.e. **Mobile application for the driver**. The main objective is to assist the driver to choose the most appropriate car park according to his destination and navigate him to that particular car park. All BSOs requires the automation of the current car parking process. But when compared with BSO 2, BSO 1 is the most effective because it has the google map API which provide the navigation instructions to the driver enabling the driver to find the car park easily. In BSO 2 it only provides the location of the car park. To get the navigation instructions the user need to use a separate application. Thus BSO 1 is selected.

### 2.7 Summary

This chapter analyzed the existing features of the process and thus specified the functional and non-functional requirements. Based on the BSOs were determined and the best option was selected which was to develop a mobile application for the driver.

# **CHAPTER 3**

## 3. SYSTEM DESIGN

This chapter mainly covers the System Design of the system. It is about the continuation of the project after the requirement analysis and specification. It will offer a better understanding of the system behaviors and interactions with the diagrams used. One diagram will lead to another to explain the functionality, entities and their relationships. By the end of the chapter, database design will show the tables which will be used in the system.

## 3.1 Use Case Diagrams for the Proposed System

Use case provides a structured view of the system functionality. They are used to gather the requirements of a system, including internal and external influence. These requirements are mostly design requirements. So when a system is analyzed to gather its functionalities, use cases are prepared and actors are identified. This is very important since the next phase of the SDLC is the system designing. Use case diagrams are consisted of several use cases and the actors of the system. Here the use cases are the different tasks the users will do in order to interact with the system. Actors are the users who interact with the system.

#### 3.1.1 Overall use case diagram for proposed system

The figure 3.1 shows how the users will log in to the system and how the system functionalities interact with the system login.

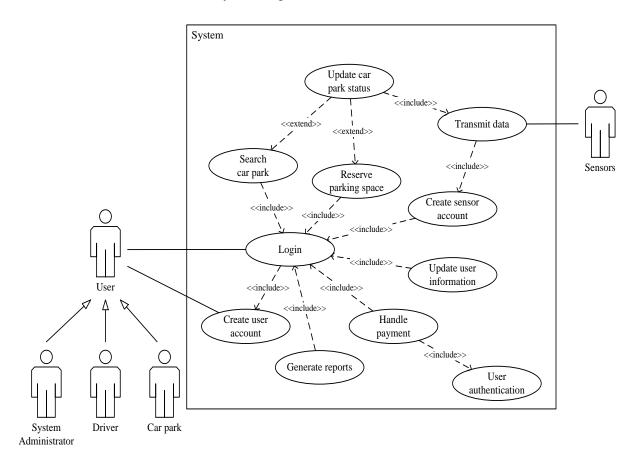


Figure 3.1 Use case diagram for system login and system functionalities interaction

The figure 3.2 shows how the users are interacting with the system functionalities.

To perform any of the tasks the user should first login (UC 01) to the system.

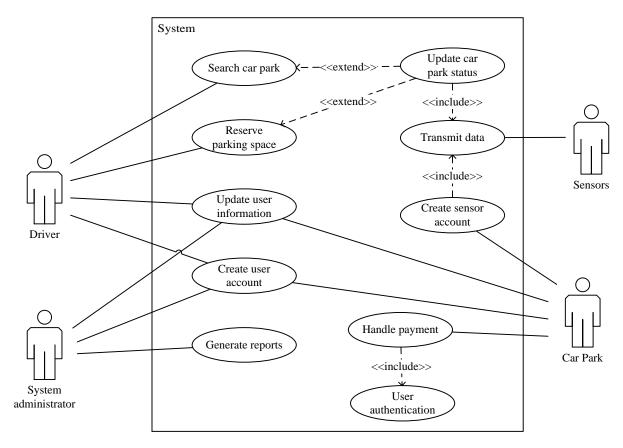


Figure 3.2 Use case diagram for overall system

The figure 3.1 and figure 3.2 illustrate how the users interact with the system functionalities after they logged into the system. Searching a car park and reserving a parking space are the main use cases handled by the driver in the system. Handling payments and creating sensor accounts are handled by the car park. Report generation is a functionality handled by the system administrator. Creating account and updating user information are common use cases for system administrator, driver and the car park.

### 3.1.2 Search car park use case

The figure 3.3 illustrates the granular use case diagram for "Search car park" use case in the overall use case that involved by the driver.

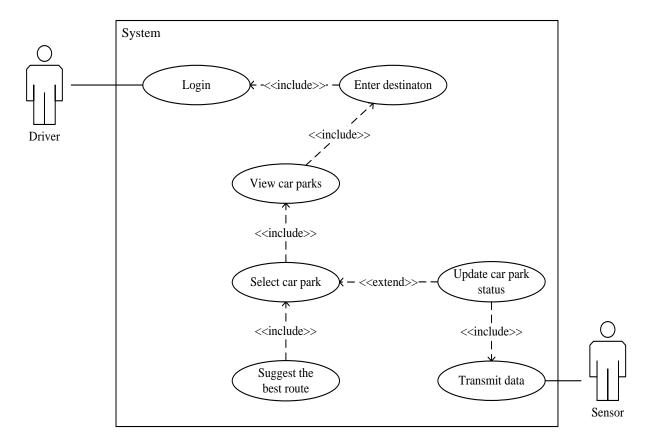


Figure 3.3 Use case diagram for searching a car park

Figure 3.3 illustrates the sub use cases related to the main use case – search car park. When selecting the car park, the available parking spaces in a car park need to be known by a driver. For that, timely updates about the status of the car parks need to be provided regularly by the sensors.

### 3.1.3 Reserving parking space use case

The figure 3.4 illustrates the granular use case diagram for "Reserving parking space" use case in the overall use case that involved by the driver.

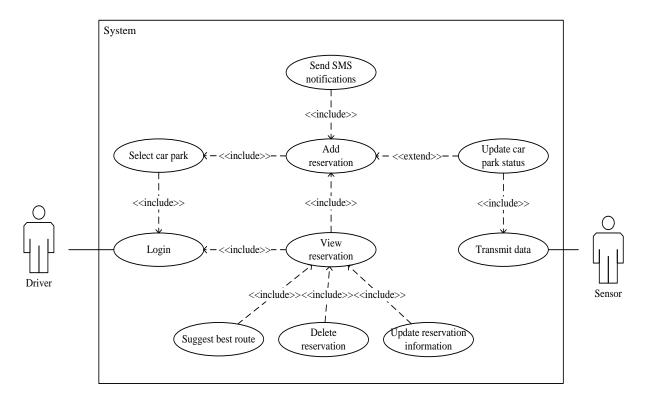


Figure 3.4 Use case diagram for reserving a parking space

Figure 3.4 illustrates the sub use cases related to the main use case – reserving a parking space. After selecting a car park, the driver is able to add a reservation or view a previous reservation. A viewed reservation can be updated or deleted. The SMS notification service is enabled after reserving a parking space which will notify the user about the current status of the parking space.

### 3.1.4 Generate reports use case

The figure 3.5 illustrates the granular use case diagram for "Generate reports" use case in the overall use case that involved by the system administrator.

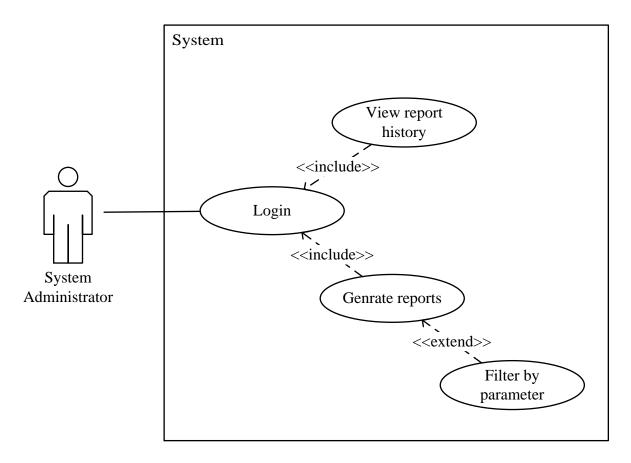


Figure 3.5 Use case diagram for generating reports

Figure 3.5 illustrates the sub use cases related to the main use case – generate reports. The system administrator has the authority to view report history. When generating reports, the parameter on which the report needs to be generated should be selected by the administrator.

# 3.2 Use Case Descriptions for the Proposed System

### 3.2.1 User login use case description

The table 3.1 illustrates the Use case description for user login use case.

Table 3.1 User login use case description

Use Case ID	UC 01
Use Case	Login
Actors	User
Description	This use case describes the process of logging
	to the system.
Pre-conditions	User should have created an account in the
	system.
Basic Course	1. User request to log in
	2. Enters username and password
	3. Validate login details
	[if valid] 3.1 Login
	[if invalid] 3.2 Don't allow login
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If in the basic course, the actor enters an
	invalid username and/or password, the system
	displays an error message. The actor can
	choose to either return to the beginning of the
	basic course or cancel the login, at which the
	use case ends.
Post-condition	Successfully logged in to the system and
	accesses the allowed level of access.

The use case description of user login illustrated in table 3.1 describes the actors, the preconditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.2 Creating user account use case description

The table 3.2 illustrates the use case description for create account use case.

Table 3.2 Create account use case description

Use Case ID	UC 02
Use Case	Create account
Actors	User
Description	This use case describes the process of creating an
	account.
Pre-conditions	-
Basic Course	1. The system requests that the actor to enter his/her
	credentials.
	2. Fill the registration form and submit the form.
	3. Verify the submitted details.
	4. Create user account.
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If in the basic course the actor enters an invalid
	information, the system displays an error message. The
	actor can chose to either return to the beginning of the
	basic course or cancel the registration, at which point
	the use case ends.
	2.2 If all necessary fields are not filled, system displays
	an error message.
Post-condition	Successfully register into the system

The use case description of create account illustrated in table 3.2 describes the actors, the preconditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.3 Search car park use case description

The table 3.3 illustrates the use case description for search car park use case.

Table 3.3 Search car park use case description

Use Case ID	UC 03
Use Case	Search car park
Actors	Driver
Description	This use case describes how a user can search a car park
	according to the preferred destination.
Pre-conditions	The user must login to the system
Basic Course	1. The actor enters the destination where he/she wants
	to go.
	2. The system will search for the car parks around the
	destination that are stored in its database.
	3. Actor selects the relevant car park that fulfills the
	requirement.
	4. System suggests the best route to go to the car park.
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If in the basic flow, there are no results found, the
	actor can chose to return to the beginning of the
	basic flow, or cancel the searching, at which point
	the use case ends.
	2.2 If there are no parking space available in the results
	found, the actor can chose to return to the beginning
	of the basic flow, or cancel the searching, at which
	point the use case ends.
Post-condition	Search has successfully completed.

The use case description of search car park illustrated in table 3.3 describes the actors, the preconditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.4 Reserve parking space use case description

The table 3.4 illustrates the use case description for reserve parking space use case.

Table 3.4 Reserve parking space use case description

Use Case ID	UC 04
Use Case	Reserving parking space
Actors	Driver
Description	This use case describes how a driver reserves a parking
	space.
Pre-conditions	The actor must be login to the system.
	The actor must have selected a car park.
Basic Course	1. Go to the selected car park.
	2. The actor clicks on add reservation button.
	3. The system requests that the actor to enter details.
	4. Fill and submit the form.
	5. The system saves the reservation.
	6. The actor views the reservation.
	7. The system suggests the best route.
Alternative course/ Exceptions	4.1 If the actor enters invalid information, the system
	will display an error message. The actor can chose to
	either return to the beginning of the basic course or
	cancel the reservation functionality, at which point the
	use case ends.
	4.2 If all the necessary fields are not filled, the system
	displays an error message.
Post-condition	Reservation added successfully.
	SMS notifications sent to the user to remind the
	reservation.

The use case description of reserving a parking space illustrated in table 3.4 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.5 Handle payment use case description

The table 3.5 illustrates the use case description for handle payment use case.

Table 3.5 Handle payments use case description

Use Case ID	UC 05
Ose Case ID	00 03
Use Case	Handle payments
Actors	Driver
Description	This use case describes how the driver can pay the
	parking charges.
Pre-conditions	The user must have create an account and/or has a
	RFID card
Basic Course	Actor introduce the RFID card
	2. The system reads the card
	3. The system checks the time and calculate the
	payment
	4. The system issues the invoice
	5. The system deduct the charges from the subscription
	in user account
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If the driver doesn't have the RFID card, he can
	give his/her NIC
	2.2 If the subscription has exceeded the minimum limit,
	the driver can pay manually
Post-condition	Handle payment has done successfully.

The use case description of handle payments illustrated in table 3.5 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

### 3.2.6 Generate reports use case description

The table 3.6 illustrates the use case description for generate reports use case.

Table 3.6 Generate reports use case description

Use Case ID	UC 06
Use Case	Generate reports
Actors	System administrator
Description	This use case describes how the administrator can
	generate reports through the system
Pre-conditions	The administrator need to be logged in to the system
Basic Course	1. The system requests actor to enter the required
	report type
	2. System imports data
	3. The actor selects the parameter
	4. System generates the report.
Alternative course/ Exceptions	3.1 If the required parameters are not available system,
	The actor can chose to either return to the beginning of
	the basic course or cancel the reservation functionality,
	at which point the use case ends.
Post-condition	Report generated successfully.

The use case description of generate reports illustrated in table 3.6 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

### 3.2.7 Update user information use case description

The table 3.7 illustrates the use case description for update user information use case.

Table 3.7 Update user information use case description

Use Case ID	UC 07
Use Case	Update user information
Actors	User
Description	This use case describes how users can change their
	details in user profile and delete user profile.
Pre-conditions	The user must be login to the system
Basic Course	1. The system requests that the actor to edit his/her
	credentials.
	2. The actor edits the information and save.
	3. The system updates the user details.
	4. The user clicks 'delete account' to delete the
	account.
	5. The system deletes the account.
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If the actor enters an invalid information while
	editing, the system displays an error message. The
	actor can chose to either return to the beginning of
	the basic course or cancel the editing
	information/deleting account, at which point the use
	case ends.
	2.2 If all necessary fields are not filled, the system
	displays an error message.
Post-condition	Successfully updated/deleted user account

The use case description of update user information illustrated in table 3.7 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.8 Update car park status use case description

The table 3.8 illustrates the Use case description for update car park status use case.

Table 3.8 Update car park status use case description

Use Case ID	UC 08
Use Case	Update car park status
Actors	Sensor
Description	This use case describes how the car park status is
	updated by the sensor
Pre-conditions	The sensor must be installed into the system by creating
	an account for the sensor.
Basic Course	1. Actor checks whether the parking space is available
	2. If available, the system checks whether the parking
	space is reserved for the particular time
	3. The system displays the parking space status
Alternative course/ Exceptions	
Post-condition	Update the car park status successfully.

The use case description of update car park status illustrated in table 3.8 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.9 Create sensor account use case description

The table 3.10 illustrates the use case description for create sensor account use case.

Table 3.9 Create sensor account use case description

Use Case ID	UC 09
Use Case	Create sensor account
Actors	Car park
Description	This use case describes the process of creating a sensor
	account
Pre-conditions	The car park must be logged in to the system
Basic Course	1. The system requests the actor to enter sensor
	credentials.
	2. Fill the registration form and submit the form.
	3. Verify the submitted details.
	4. Create sensor account.
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If in the basic course the actor enters an invalid
	information, the system displays an error message. The
	actor can chose to either return to the beginning of the
	basic course or cancel the registration, at which point
	the use case ends.
	2.2 If all necessary fields are not filled, system displays
	an error message.
Post-condition	The sensor account created successfully.

The use case description of create sensor account illustrated in table 3.9 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

### 3.2.10 Updating reservation use case description

The table 3.11 illustrates the use case description for updating reservation use case.

Table 3.10 Updating reservation use case description

Use Case ID	UC 10
Use Case	Updating reservation
Actors	Driver
Description	This use case describes how drivers can change the reservation details and delete a reservation
Pre-conditions	The driver must be logged in to the system
Basic Course	<ol> <li>The system requests that the actor to edit the reservation details</li> <li>The actor edits the information and save.</li> <li>The system updates the reservation details.</li> <li>The user clicks 'delete reservation' to delete the reservation</li> <li>The system deletes the reservation.</li> </ol>
Alternative course/ Exceptions	2.1 If the actor enters an invalid information while editing, the system displays an error message. The actor can chose to either return to the beginning of the basic course or cancel the editing information/deleting account, at which point the use case ends.  2.2 If all necessary fields are not filled, the system displays an error message.
Post-condition	The reservation updated/deleted successfully

The use case description of updating reservation illustrated in table 3.10 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.2.11 Sending SMS notification use case description

The table 3.12 illustrates the use case description for sending SMS notification use case.

Table 3.11 Sending SMS notification use case description

Use Case ID	UC 11
Use Case	Sending SMS notifications
Actors	Car park
Description	This use case describes how the SMS notifications about a particular reservation are sent to the driver from the car park.
Pre-conditions	The driver has made a reservation
Basic Course	<ol> <li>The system checks the upcoming reservations</li> <li>The system checks the date and time of the reservation</li> <li>Send SMS notifications to the driver</li> </ol>
Alternative course/ Exceptions	3.1 If the SMS notification does not received by the driver, the mobile app will display the notifications about the reservation in the driver's account.
Post-condition	Send SMS notifications successfully.

The use case description of sending SMS notifications illustrated in table 3.11 describes the actors, the pre-conditions, the basic course, alternative courses or exceptions if the process deviates from the basic course and the post conditions that need to be followed and achieved in response to the actions of the actor.

## 3.3 Activity Diagram for the Proposed System

### 3.3.1 Activity diagram for user login

Figure 3.6 further illustrates the actions occurred in login use case in the use case diagram.

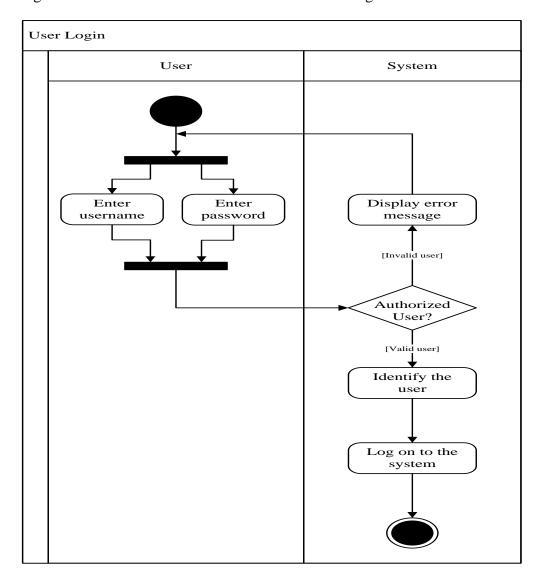


Figure 3.6 Activity diagram for user login

The activity diagram for user login illustrated in figure 3.6 describes the flow of actions for user login activity by the relevant actor – the users and the system in an elaborated manner. To login to the system, the user (car park or the driver) needs to enter their username and passwords, and if the user is not authorized, specific actions will be taken by the system.

#### 3.3.2 Activity diagram for creating user accounts

Figure 3.7 further illustrates the actions occurred in create user accounts use case in the use case diagram.

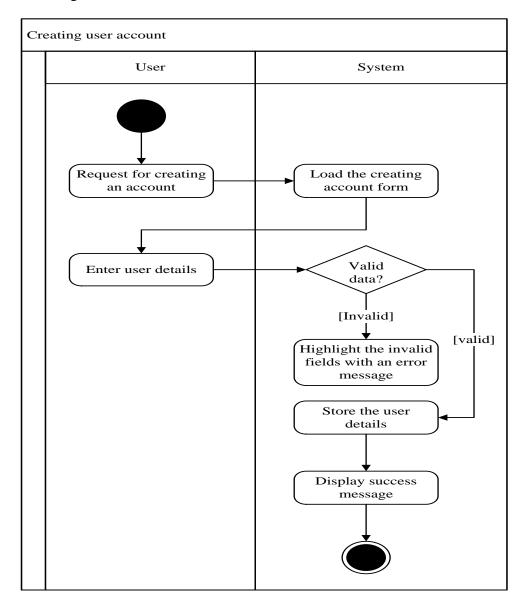


Figure 3.7 Activity diagram for creating user account

The activity diagram for creating user account illustrated in figure 3.7 describes the flow of actions for creating account activity by the relevant actor – the users and the system in an elaborated manner. To create the account, the users need to submit the requested details and if the details are not valid, specific actions will be taken by the system.

### 3.3.3 Activity diagram for searching a car park

Figure 3.8 further illustrates the actions occurred in search car park use case in the use case diagram.

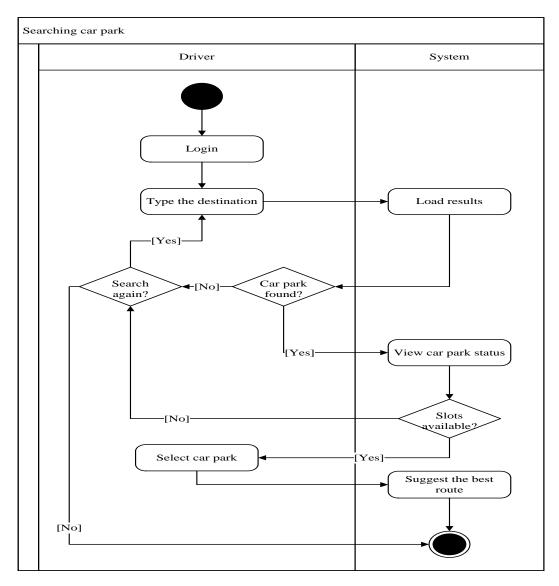


Figure 3.8 Activity diagram for searching a car park

The activity diagram for searching a car park illustrated in figure 3.8 describes the flow of actions for searching a car park activity by the relevant actor – the driver and the system in an elaborated manner. To search the car park, the destination need to be entered by the driver, and if a car park is found he can check the status (whether parking slots are available). The system will suggest the best route for the car park. If slots are not available, the driver can search for another car park.

#### 3.3.4 Activity diagram for reserving a parking space

Figure 3.9 further illustrates the actions occurred in reserving parking space use case in the use case diagram.

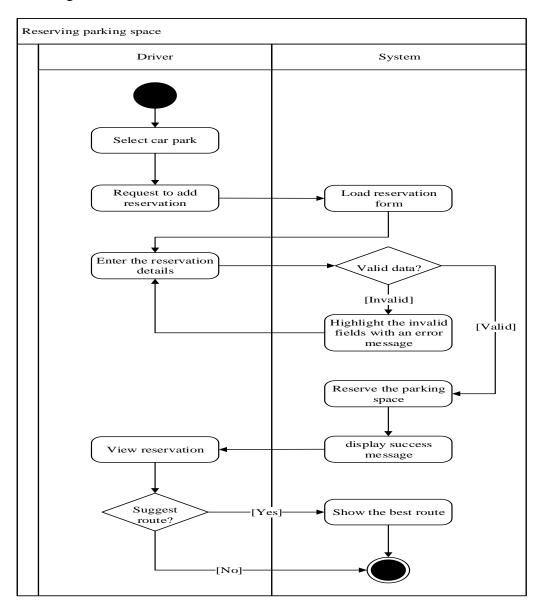


Figure 3.9 Activity diagram for reserving a parking space

The activity diagram for reserving a parking space illustrated in figure 3.9 describes the flow of actions for reserving a parking space activity by the relevant actor – the driver and the system in an elaborated manner. To reserve a parking space, the driver needs to submit the requested details such as time in, time out and the date. Specific actions will be taken by the system if the details are not valid. The best route will be shown to the driver by the system.

### 3.3.5 Activity diagram for payment handling

Figure 3.10 further illustrates the actions occurred in handle payment use case in the use case diagram.

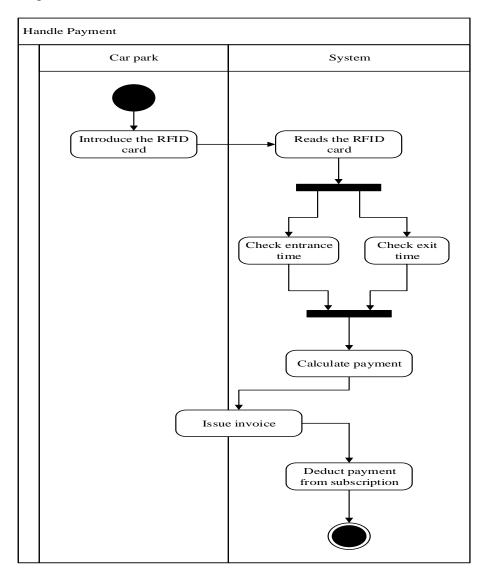


Figure 3.10 Activity diagram for handle payment

The activity diagram for handling payment illustrated in figure 3.10 describes the flow of actions for payment handling activity by the relevant actor – the car park and the system in an elaborated manner. The RFID card will be read by the system and the duration will be calculated by checking the entrance and exit time of the vehicle to calculate the payment. The payment amount will be credited to the driver's account and will be deducted from the subscription.

#### 3.3.6 Activity diagram for updating user information

Figure 3.11 further illustrates the actions occurred in update user information use case in the use case diagram.

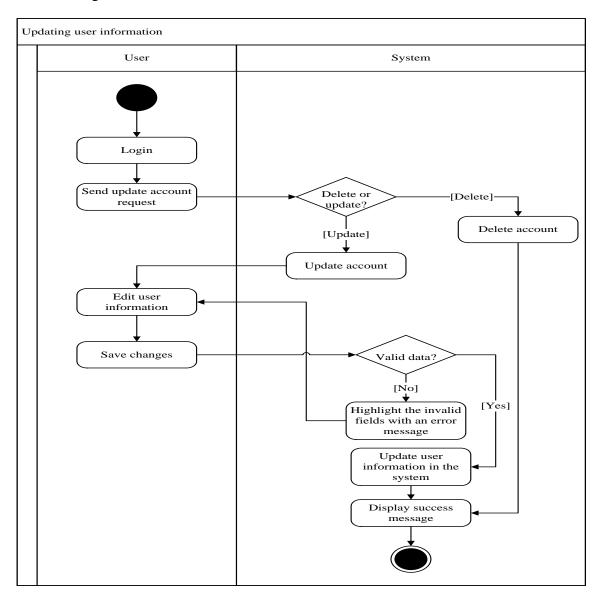


Figure 3.11 Activity diagram for updating user information

The activity diagram for updating user information illustrated in figure 3.11 describes the flow of actions for updating user information activity by the relevant actor – the user and the system in an elaborated manner. The user can choose whether to delete or update account. When updating, the details need to be entered by the user and the validity of the data is checked by the system. The updated information will be saved by the system.

### 3.3.7 Activity diagram for generating reports

Figure 3.12 further illustrates the actions occurred in generating reports use case in the use case diagram.

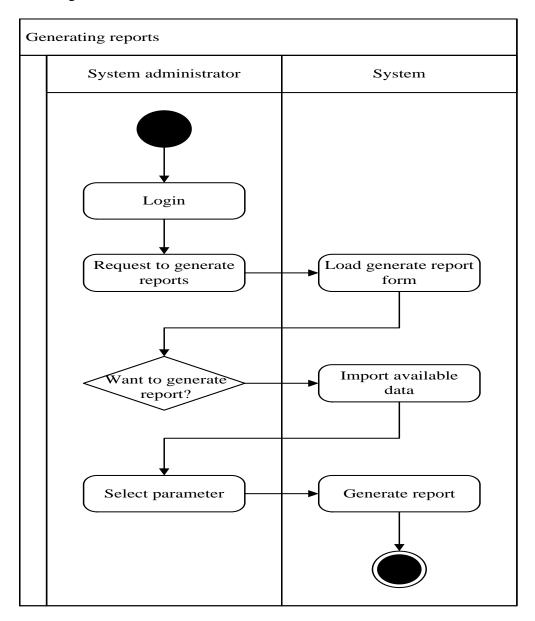


Figure 3.12 Activity diagram for generating reports

The activity diagram for generating reports illustrated in figure 3.12 describes the flow of actions for generating reports activity by the relevant actor – the system administrator and the system in an elaborated manner. A parameter need to be selected by the administrator to generate the report.

#### 3.3.8 Activity diagram for updating car park status

Figure 3.13 further illustrates the actions occurred in updating car park status use case in the use case diagram.

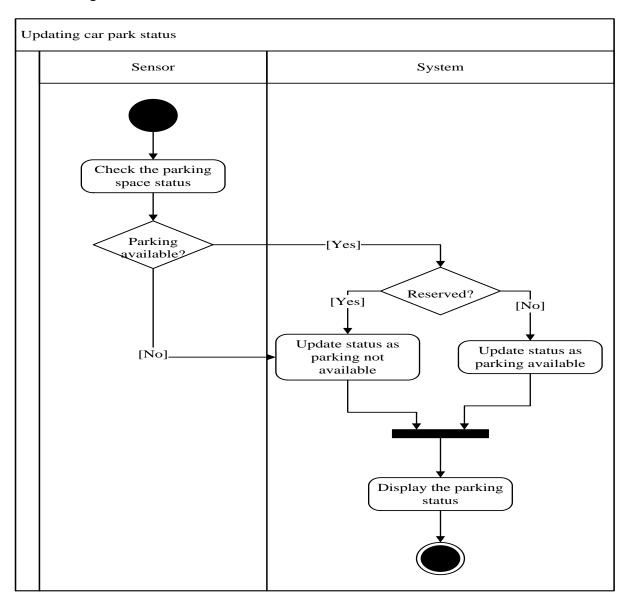


Figure 3.13 Activity diagram for updating car park status

The activity diagram for updating car park status illustrated in figure 3.13 describes the flow of actions for updating car park status activity by the relevant actor – the sensor and the system in an elaborated manner. Data will be transmitted by the sensor stating whether the slot is available or not. The system will then check whether the particular slot is reserved or not. Then the system will display the parking status.

#### 3.3.9 Activity diagram for updating reservation

Figure 3.14 further illustrates the actions occurred in update reservation use case in the use case diagram.

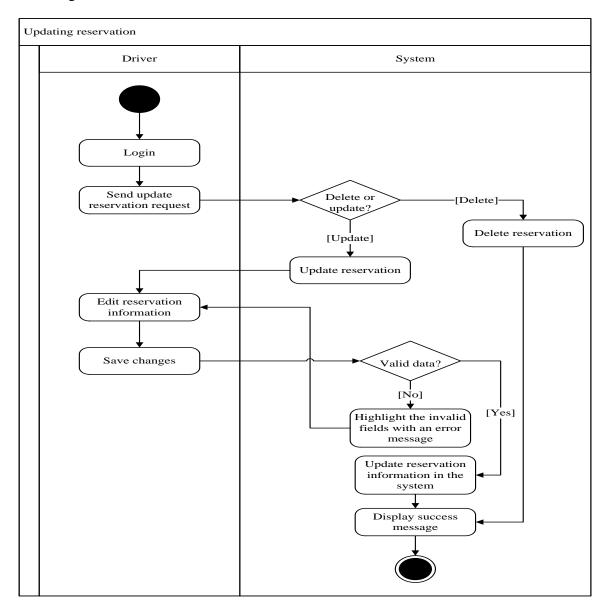


Figure 3.14 Activity diagram for updating reservation

The activity diagram for updating reservation illustrated in figure 3.14 describes the flow of actions for updating reservation activity by the relevant actor – the driver and the system in an elaborated manner. The driver can choose whether to delete or update the reservation. When updating, the details need to be entered by the drivers and the validity of the data is checked by the system. The updated information will be saved by the system.

### 3.3.10 Activity diagram for sending SMS notification

Figure 3.15 further illustrates the actions occurred in sending SMS notifications use case in the use case diagram.

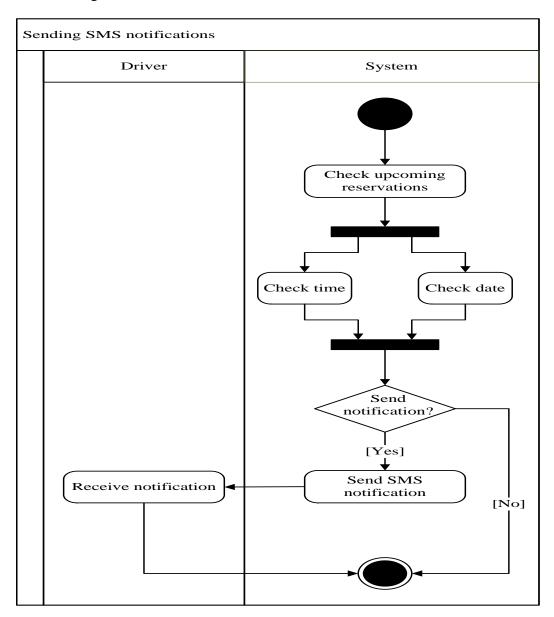


Figure 3.15 Activity diagram for sending SMS notifications

The activity diagram for sending SMS notifications illustrated in figure 3.15 describes the flow of actions for sending SMS notification activity by the relevant actor – the driver and the system in an elaborated manner. The time and date of the reservation will be checked by the system. If it is nearly the time, an SMS notification will be sent to the driver from the system.

## 3.4 Sequence Diagrams for the Proposed System

Sequence diagrams show how the system interacts with the actors in a use case functionality. Each actor is represented with a horizontal lifeline and the data transactions are drawn from one life line to another or within one lifeline. Following sequence diagrams describe some of the main use cases which are a bit difficult to understand with only having use case descriptions.

### 3.4.1 Sequence diagram for user login

Figure 3.16 below illustrates the sequence of actions for user login.

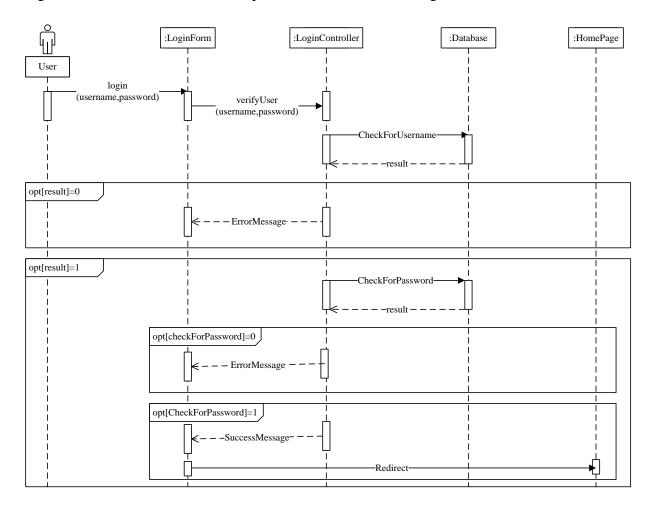


Figure 3.16 Sequence diagram for user login

The sequence diagram for user login illustrated in figure 3.16 describes the objects and classes involved in the user login scenario and the sequence of messages exchanged between the objects needed to carry out the functionality of the scenario.

### 3.4.2 Sequence diagram for creating user account

Figure 3.17 below illustrates the sequence of actions for creating user account.

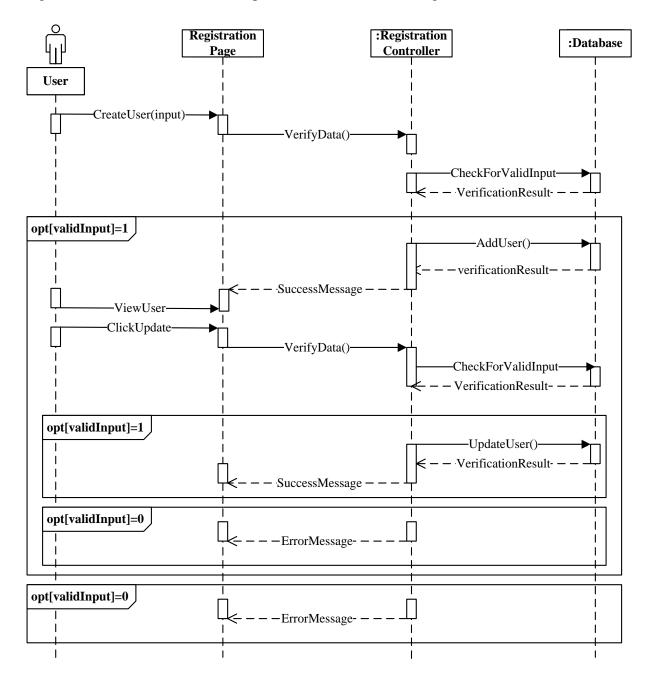


Figure 3.17 Sequence diagram for creating user account

The sequence diagram for creating user account illustrated in figure 3.17 describes the objects and classes involved in the creating user account scenario and the sequence of messages exchanged between the objects needed to carry out the functionality of the scenario.

### 3.4.3 Sequence diagram for searching a car park

Figure 3.18 below illustrates the sequence of actions for searching a car park.

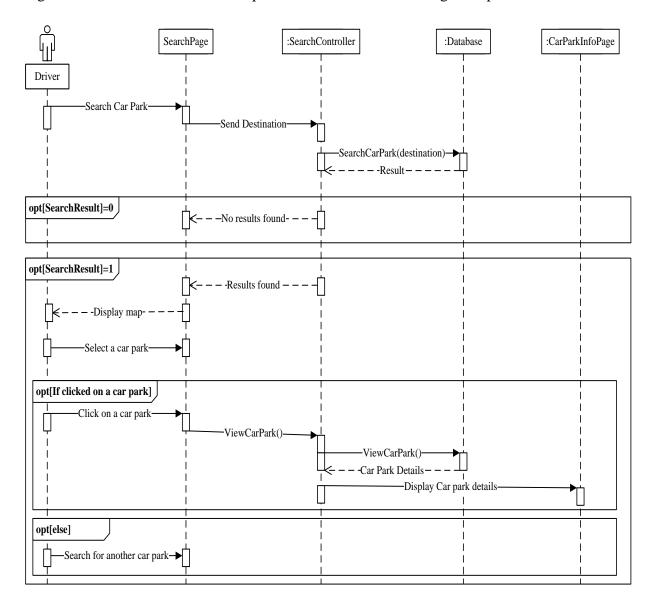


Figure 3.18 Sequence diagram for searching a car park

The sequence diagram for searching a car park illustrated in figure 3.18 describes the objects and classes involved in the searching a car park scenario and the sequence of messages exchanged between the objects needed to carry out the functionality of the scenario.

### 3.4.4 Sequence diagram for reserving a parking space

Figure 3.19 below illustrates the sequence of actions for reserving a car park.

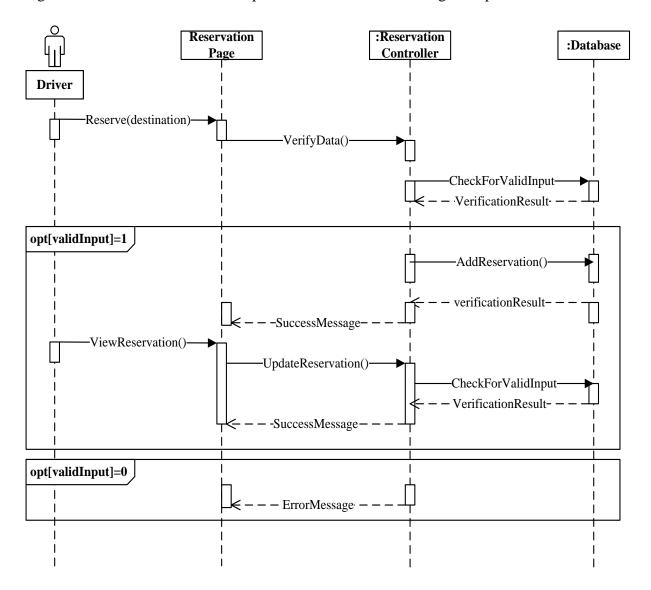


Figure 3.19 Sequence diagram for reserving a parking space

The sequence diagram for reserving a parking space illustrated in figure 3.19 describes the objects and classes involved in the reserving a parking space scenario and the sequence of messages exchanged between the objects needed to carry out the functionality of the scenario.

### 3.4.5 Sequence diagram for payment handling

Figure 3.20 below illustrates the sequence of actions for payment handling.

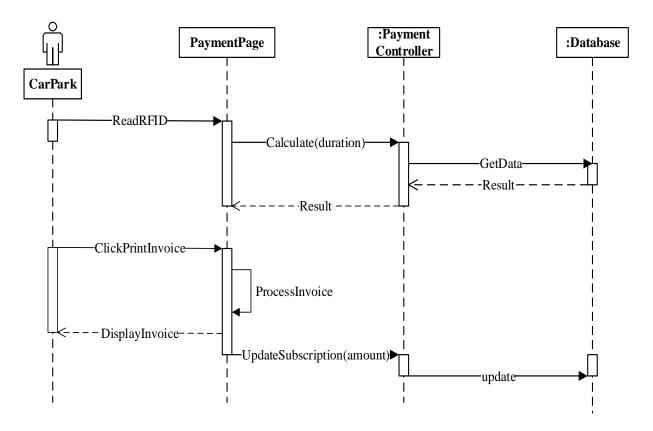


Figure 3.20 Sequence diagram for payment handling

The sequence diagram for payment handling illustrated in figure 3.20 describes the objects and classes involved in the payment handling scenario and the sequence of messages exchanged between the objects needed to carry out the functionality of the scenario.

### 3.4.6 Sequence diagram for generating reports

Figure 3.21 below illustrates the sequence of actions for generating reports.

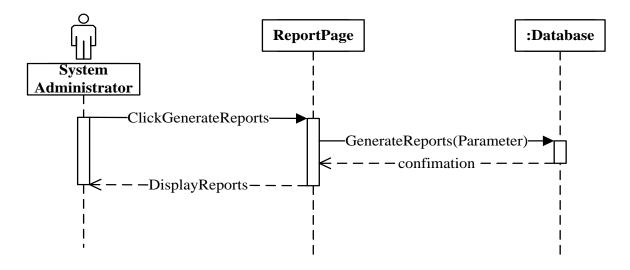


Figure 3.21 Sequence diagram for generating reports

The sequence diagram for generating reports illustrated in figure 3.21 describes the objects and classes involved in the generating reports scenario and the sequence of messages exchanged between the objects needed to carry out the functionality of the scenario.

## 3.5 Class Diagram for Proposed System

Class diagram in figure 3.22 describes the structure of a proposed system by showing the system's classes their attributes, operations and the relationships among the classes.

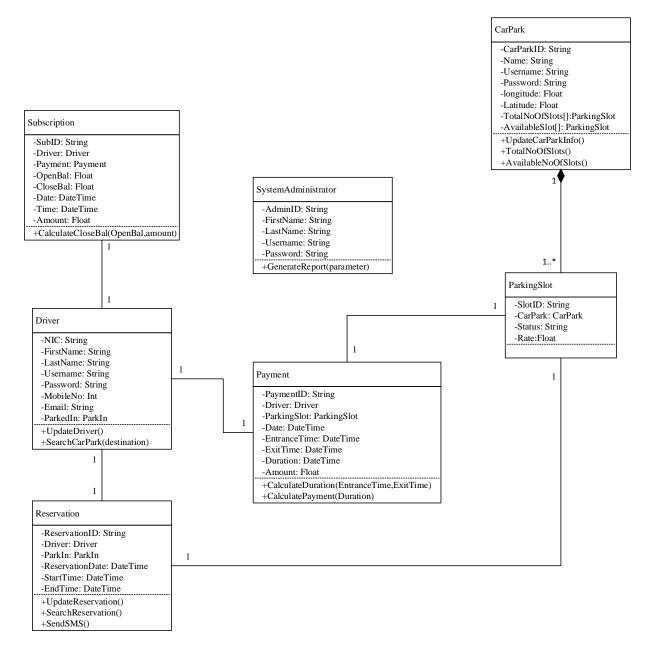


Figure 3.22 Class diagram for the proposed system

The class diagram for the proposed system illustrated in figure 3.22 describes the attributes, methods and the relationships among the 7 classes – Driver class, Reservation class, Payment class, CarPark class, Subscription class, ParkingSlot class and the SystemAdministrator class.

## 3.6 Database Design

## 3.6.1 Entity - Relationship model

The entity relationship diagram shown below in figure 3.23 describe the relationship between entities.

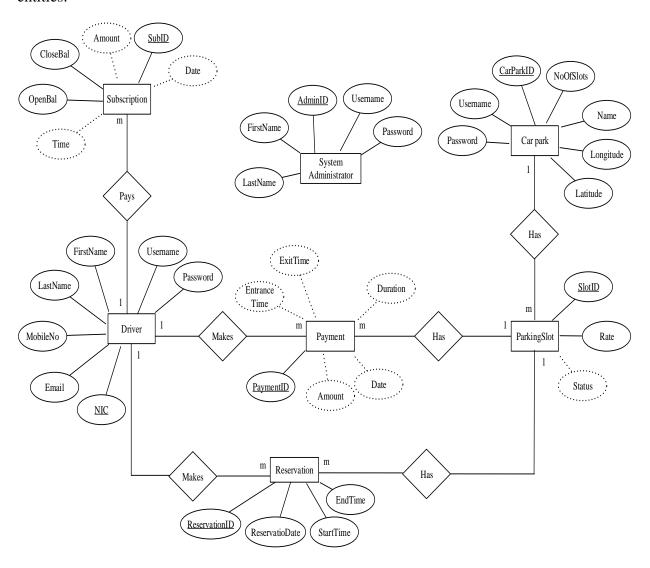


Figure 3.23 Entity – Relationship model

The Entity – Relationship model illustrated in the figure 3.23 describes the relationships of entity sets stored in a database. The entities identified are Driver, Payment, CarPark, ParkingSlot, Reservation, Subscription, and SystemAdministrator. The relevant attributes of each entity are shown around the entity.

#### 3.6.2 Normalized database design

Data base relationship diagram shown in figure 3.24 illustrates the relationship between the data tables in the database.

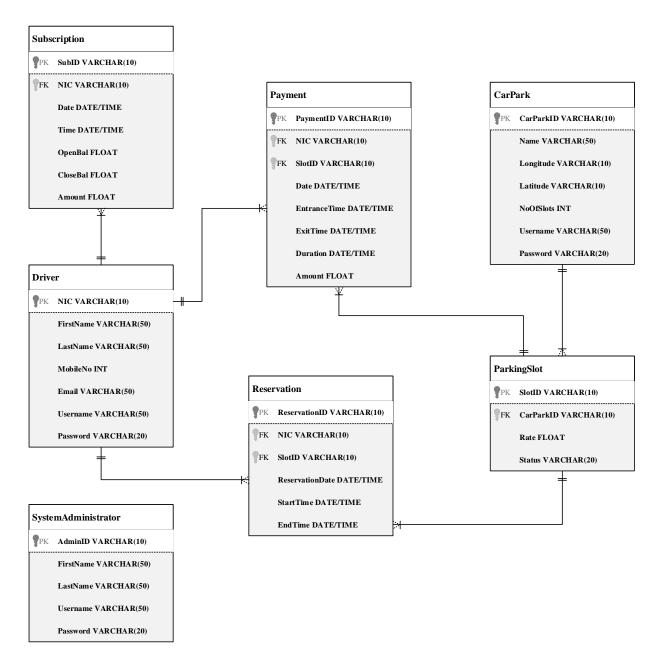


Figure 3.24 Normalized database design

The normalized database illustrated in figure 3.24 describes the process of organizing the columns (attributes) and tables (relations) of a relational database to reduce data redundancy and improve data integrity.

## 3.7 GUI Design

Graphical User Interface (GUI) is one of the key component in a mobile application that communicates with the users of the system. User friendly GUI is the one of the major non-functional requirement of this system.

The main design consideration related with GUI's (Graphical User Interface) are listed below where these factors are considered in the system GUI designs.

- Attractive user interfaces
- User friendly interfaces, easy to use and easily learnable user interfaces
- Easy to navigate forward and backward and keeping the process flow of the actions
- Give good error messages with information to recover from the error occurred
- Prevent errors as much as possible and use client side validations to give immediate feedback
- Provide feedback of all the actions if succeeded or not

### 3.7.1 Welcome Page GUI

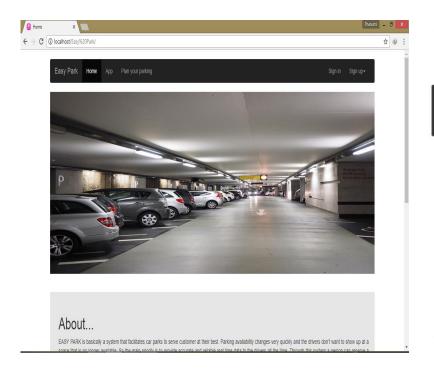




Figure 3.25 Welcome Page GUI

## 3.7.2 User login GUI

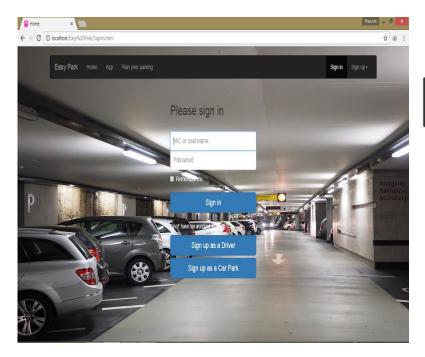




Figure 3.26 User login GUI

### 3.7.3 Create user GUI

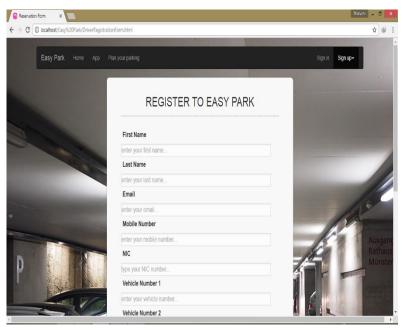




Figure 3.27 Create user GUI

## 3.7.4 Search car park GUI

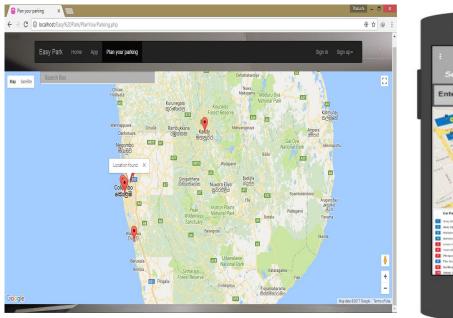




Figure 3.28 Search Car Park GUI

## 3.7.5 View car park GUI

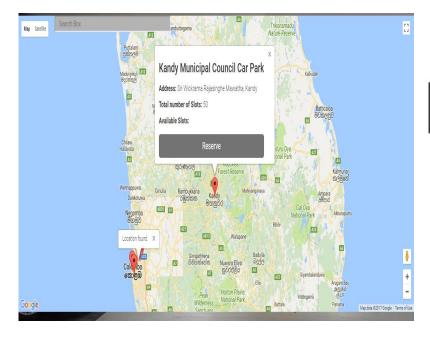




Figure 3.29 View Car Park GUI

## **3.7.6** Report

The figure 3.30 illustrates a report which represents the number of vehicles parked in the car parks of a particular city within a given week.

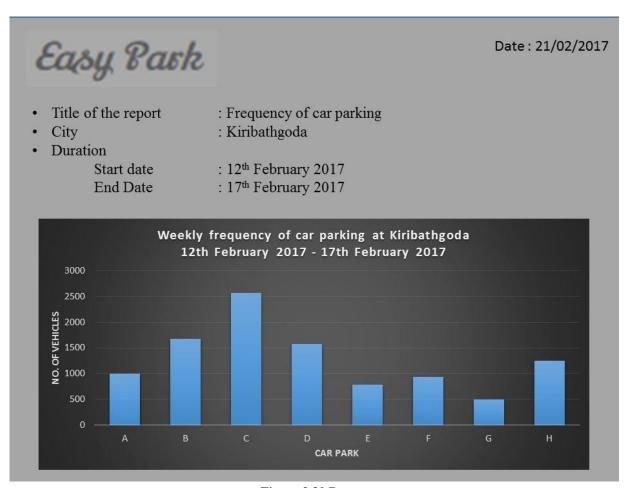


Figure 3.30 Report

## 3.7.7 Screen of the car park

The figure 3.31 illustrates the screen which represents the number of vehicles parked, available slots and the details of the parked vehicles in a particular car park as shown on the desktop at the car park.

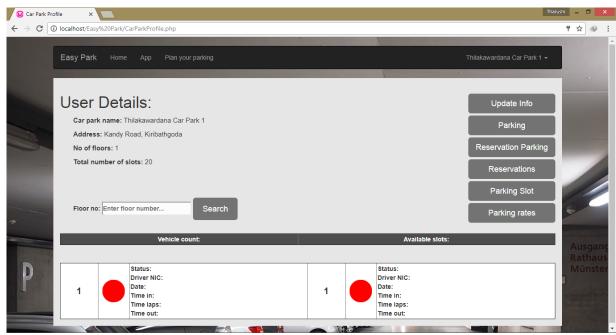


Figure 3.31 Screen of the car park

# 3.8 Summary

This chapter depicted the system design where it showed how the functionality is achieved. This was depicted through Objected Oriented Approach. Furthermore the Database Design and the Graphical User Interfaces were elaborated.

# **CHAPTER 4**

## 4. DEVELOPMENT

This chapter consist of the development details of the project. It gives a brief introduction to the programing language properties required to implement the Class Diagrams described in a previous chapter and select programming languages that have used in the Easy Park Car Park Management System development. And also it will give brief description of third party components/libraries used. Finally it is consisted of examples of algorithms used in the system.

## 4.1 Programming Languages and Development Tools

When selecting the tools and technologies for the development of the Easy Park Car Park Management System, the main factors that have considered is the matching of those technologies with the hardware, software and human technological capabilities. In addition, support for attractive Graphical User Interface design was considered.

Easy Park Car Park Management System is a combination of web based application, a native android application with IoT included in the system.

In its web application it includes html view. Modules of the system capture user data and various database interactions and form submission parts are included in the system. GUI design should be attractive and support form filling controls for most of the GUIs. In the native mobile application, also the modules are interacting with database through web service.

Hence considering all these facts, for the development environment of web solution PHP scripting language has been used. Apart from this, JQuery, JavaScript, AJAX technologies have been used in the client side to give better flexibility, increase interactions with the user and minimize the response time of the system.

In the mobile application development, Java standard language for Android application development within the Android Studio IDE.

Since all these technologies are open source, could minimize the cost as well.

For the development of IoT sector of the system, Raspberry Pie 3 was used.

### 4.1.1 Programming Language

### **Web Solution**

### 1) JavaScript

A scripting language developed by Netscape to enable Web authors to design interactive sites. Although it shares many of the features and structures of the full Java language, it was developed independently. JavaScript can interact with HTML source code, enabling Web authors to spice up their sites with dynamic content. JavaScript is endorsed by a number of

software companies and is an open language that anyone can use without purchasing a license. Above mentioned features and functionalities are mainly affected to the selection of this language. Within web solution JavaScript used as client side validation scripting language.

#### **2) PHP**

PHP stands for PHP: Hypertext Preprocessor. Hypertext refers to files linked together using hyperlinks, such as HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language) files. Preprocessing is executing instructions that modify the output. Taken directly from PHP's home, PHP.net, "PHP is an HTML-embedded scripting language. Web solution server side implementations are written on PHP scripting language.

Within web solution PHP used as server side validation scripting language.

### **3)** CSS

CSS is the abbreviation foe Cascading Style Sheets, new feature being added to HTML that gives both Web site developers and users more control over how pages are displayed. By using CSS one could separate HTML content from its appearance, distinguishing style from structure. CSS give the following advantages.

- Control layout of many documents from one single style sheet
- More precise control of layout
- Apply different layout to different media-types (screen, print, etc.)

### **Mobile Solution**

#### 1) Java

Android applications are developed using the Java language. That is the only option for native applications. Java is a very popular programming language developed by Sun Microsystems (now owned by Oracle). Developed long after C and C++, Java incorporates many of the powerful features of those powerful languages while addressing some of their drawbacks. Still, programming languages are only as powerful as their libraries. These libraries exist to help developers build applications.

Some of the Java's important core features are:

- It is easy to learn and understand
- It is designed to be platform-independent secure
- Use of virtual machines
- Object-oriented

Android relies heavily on these Java fundamentals. The Android SDK includes many standard Java libraries (data structure libraries, math libraries, graphics libraries, networking libraries and everything else you could want) as well as special Android libraries that will help you develop awesome Android applications.

### 4.1.2 Development Tools and Technologies

### **Web Solution**

### 1) Notepad++

Notepad++ is a free source code editor and Notepad replacement that supports several languages. Running in the MS Windows environment, its use is governed by GPL License.

#### 2) Wamp

WAMPs are packages of independently created programs installed on computers that use a Microsoft Windows operating system.

WAMP is an acronym formed from the initials of the operating system Microsoft Windows and the principal components of the package: Apache, MySQL and one of PHP, Perl or Python. Apache is a web server. MySQL is an open-source database. PHP is a scripting language that can manipulate information held in a database and generate web pages dynamically each time content is requested by a browser. Other programs may also be included in a package, such as PhpMyAdmin which provides a graphical user interface for the MySQL database manager, or the alternative scripting languages Python or Perl.

3) MySQL

MySQL is widely used open-source relational database management system (RDBMS) which

was owned by Oracle Corporation. MySQL is a popular choice of database for use in web

applications, and is a central component of the widely used LAMP open source web

application software stack (and other 'AMP' stacks). LAMP is an acronym for "Linux, Apache,

MySQL, Perl/PHP/Python." Free-software-open source projects that require a full-featured

database management system often use MySQL. For commercial use, several paid editions are

available, and offer additional functionality. Applications which use MySQL databases

include: TYPO3, MODx, Joomla, WordPress, phpBB, MyBB, Drupal and other software.

4) JQuery

This is cross browser Javacsript library designed to simplify client side scripting of HTML

web pages. JQuery is free, open source software, JQuery's syntax is designed to make it easier

to navigate a document, select DOM elements, create animations, handle events, and develop

Ajax applications. JQuery also provides capabilities for developers to create plug-ins on top of

the JavaScript library. This enables developer create more dynamic web applications. JQuery

is used to implement image gallery, and interactive web pages with toggle option, etc

5) AJAX

AJAX is a latest web development technology which allows dynamic web page contents with

scripting and data manipulation with JSON/XML objects. Asynchronous JavaScript and XML

is a group of interrelated web development methods used on the client-side to create

asynchronous web applications. With Ajax, this web application can send data to, and retrieve

data from, a server asynchronously (in the background) without interfering with the display

and behavior of the existing page. Data is retrieved using the *HttpRequest* object using JSON

(JavaScript Object Notation).

Reference: www.ajax.com

### 6) Apache

Apache is web server software notable for playing a key role in the initial growth of the World Wide Web. Apache supports a variety of features, many implemented as compiled modules which extend the core functionality. These can range from server-side programming language support to authentication schemes. Some common language interfaces support Perl, Python, and PHP.

#### **Mobile Solution**

### 1) Android Studio 2.3.2

Android Studio official integrated is the development environment(IDE) for Google's Android operating system, built on JetBrains' IntelliJ IDEA software and designed specifically for Android development. It provide the interface for you to create your apps and to handle much of the complicated file-management behind the scenes. The programming language used is Java. Android Studio will give you access to the Android SDK or 'Software Development Kit'. Think of this as an extension to the Java code that allows it to run smoothly on Android devices and take advantage of the native hardware. Java is needed to write the programs, the Android SDK is needed to make those programs run on Android and Android Studio has the job of putting it all together. At the same time, Android Studio also enables you to run your code, either through an emulator or through a piece of hardware connected to your machine. You'll then also be able to 'debug' the program as it runs and get feedback explaining crashes etc. so that you can more quickly solve the problem.

# 4.2 Third Party Components and Libraries

### 1) Raspberry Pi 3 Model B

The Raspberry Pi is a series of small single-board computers developed in the United Kingdom by the Raspberry Pi Foundation to promote the teaching of basic computer science in schools and in developing countries. Several generations of Raspberry Pis have been released. The first generation (Raspberry Pi 1 Model B) was released in February 2012. Raspberry Pi 3 Model B released in February 2016 and is bundled with on-board WiFi, Bluetooth and USB boot capabilities.

The Raspberry Pi 3 Model B is the third generation Raspberry Pi. This powerful credit-card sized single board computer can be used for many applications and supersedes the original Raspberry Pi Model B+ and Raspberry Pi 2 Model B.

Whilst maintaining the popular board format the Raspberry Pi 3 Model B brings you a more powerful processor, 10x faster than the first generation Raspberry Pi.

Additionally it adds wireless LAN & Bluetooth connectivity making it the ideal solution for powerful connected designs.

### 2) Google Map API

The Google Maps API allow for the embedding of Google Maps onto web pages of outside developers, using a simple JavaScript interface or a Flash interface. It is designed to work on both mobile devices as well as traditional desktop browser applications. The API includes language localization for over 50 languages, region localization and geocoding, and has mechanisms for enterprise developers who want to utilize the Google Maps API within an intranet. The API HTTP services can be accessed over a secure (HTTPS) connection by Google Maps API Premier customers.

# 4.3 Algorithms used in the System

## 1) Calculating the duration of the parking

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM payment WHERE VehicleNum="".$user2->vnum."' AND
CheckOutStatus = '0'";
$result = mysqli_query($connection, $sql);
if (mysqli_num_rows($result)>0){
    //output data of each row
    while($row = mysqli_fetch_assoc($result)){
        //checkin date and time
        $inDate = $row['CheckInDate'];
        $inTime = $row['CheckInTime'];
        $strDT = $inDate." ".$inTime;
```

```
$temp1 = strtotime($strDT);
             $ckInDateTime = date("Y-d-m H:i:s", $temp1);
       }
}else{
      echo "0 results";
}
//Checkout date and time
$outTime = strtotime($user2->checkouttime);
$ckOutDateTime = date("Y-m-d H:i:s", $outTime);
$ckin = new DateTime($ckInDateTime);
$ckout = new DateTime($ckOutDateTime);
$interval = date_diff($ckin,$ckout);
\text{$hour1 = 0; $hour2 = 0; $hour3 = 0;}
if(\frac{\pi}{D}) > 0
      hour1 = \inf('\%a')*24;
}
if(\frac{\sinh(\%h')}{0})
      $hour2 = $interval->format('%h');
}
if(\frac{\sin(\pi')}{0}) = 0
      hour 3 = 1;
}
duration = hour1 + hour2 + hour3;
```

# 4.4 Hashing of the Confidential Data

When storing confidential and private data of a user, it should be made sure that a third party would not be able to retrieve those. For example a password should not be stored in a database as a plain text.

# 4.5 Summary

In this chapter, the development aspects of the system has been described. Under that initially the technologies used have been explained and justified and finally the constraints faced during the development process have been described.

# CHAPTER 5

# 5. TESTING

Software testing aspect of the "Easy Park Car Park Management System" is discussed in this chapter. Under this chapter, the strategies and types of testing used and why and how they have been employed to test the system have been discussed. Then it will discuss about the sample test cases, followed by the test reports of the system and results illustrating the severity of the bugs identified and possible solutions.

# 5.1 Test Plan and Test Strategy

Testing is done in order to align the product with the user. The functionalities and functions are tested in order to improve the quality of the product and improve the functionalities of the product.

The testing plan defines the items to be tested and the functions which are selected based on the importance of the functions, and the risk of the functions on the user's view point.

Then the test cases were designed corresponding with the use case descriptions. They were executed manually and the results were recorded. The bugs identified were corrected and tested again. In this testing process of this system both black box and white box testing is being used.

### **5.1.1** White Box Testing

The testing is mostly carried out while the coding is taking place. Each statement, conditions and decision structures test soon after finishing the coded. The purpose of using white box testing for this system is that white box testing enables to identify small bugs that could be created by the mistakes of coding and due to the errors in the decision logics, and it enables the developers to prevent those errors before integrating the recently developed contents together with the system.

### **5.1.2** Black Box Testing

This has been used once after a particular functionality is completely developed. A set of random values used for the testing and the errors and bugs which are generated is identified and fixed. The gessoes over user errors can be tested at this stage.

Under these testing approaches four main test types has used to test this system.

## • Concept Testing

This is used to check the compatibility of the concepts used in the system and the concepts in the actual business process.

## • Unit Testing

This type of testing has used white box testing approach to test each and every critical units (i.e. functions, algorithms etc.) built in the system individually. Only after the following tests are being completed, units are integrated with each other and tested in integration testing.

### • Integration Testing

After integrating the components together, which are tested using the unit testing, the entire integrated component is tested again. Both black box and white box testing approaches have used for this testing type.

### Interface Testing

Interface testing is being used to test each and every component in the GUIs against their intended purpose.

# **5.2 Testing Environment**

Operating System: Windows 8.1

# **5.3 Sample Test Cases**

Test cases for main system:

**Table 5.1 User Login Test Case** 

	1. User Login					
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	<b>Expected Output</b>	Status		
1.1	User Login	Username	Accept the username and password, and	Pass		
	Steps:	Password	check the type of the user profile			
	1. Input user name		(whether it is admin username or driver			
	2. Input password		username or car park username).			
	3. Press signin		Display the user home page.			

1.2	Validate user login	Incorrect	Display error message and clear	Pass
	Steps:	username,	username and password fields.	
	1. Input username	Incorrect		
	2. Input password	password		
	3. Press signin			
	button			

# Table 5.2 Add User Test Case

	2. Add driver or admin				
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	<b>Expected Output</b>	Status	
2.1	Add users	NIC	Display the user home page	Pass	
	Steps:	Requested			
	1. Input NIC	personal			
	2. Input other	details			
	requested	Username			
	personal details	Password			
	3. Input username				
	4. Input password				
	5. Press Register				
	button				
2.2	Validate user entry	Already	Display error message	Pass	
		existing			
		username			
		and			
		password			

**Table 5.3 Add Car Park Test Case** 

3	3. Add car park					
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	<b>Expected Output</b>	Status		
3.1	Add car parks	Requested	Automatically generate the car park ID	Pass		
	Steps:	details	Display the car park home page			
	1. Input other	Username				
	requested	Password				
	details					
	2. Input username					
	3. Input password					
	4. Press Register					
	button					
3.2	Validate user entry	Already	Display error message	Pass		
		existing				
		username				
		and				
		password				

**Table 5.4 Parking Space Reservation by Driver Test Case** 

4	4. Reserve parking space by the driver					
ID	Test (	Case Description	Input data	<b>Expected Output</b>	Status	
4.1	Select	a car park	Click on	When the driver click on the car park an	Pass	
	Steps:		the car park	Info window will be displayed showing		
	1.	Select a car park	Click on	the public information of the car park.		
	2.	Click on the car	the reserve	When the driver click on the "Reserve"		
		park	button	button, the reservation form will be		
	3.	Click "Reserve"		displayed.		
		button		Display the driver home page.		

4.2	Reserve a parking	Requested	Display the driver's home page	
	space	details	Display the new reservation under the	
	Steps:		Reservation details in the driver's home	
	1. Input the data		page.	
	requested			
	2. Click "Reserve"			
	button			
4.3	Validate user entry	Invalid	Display error message highlighting the	Pass
		user entry	empty field label.	
		Blank text		
		boxes		

**Table 5.5 Parking Space Reservation by the Car Park Test Cases** 

	5. Reserve parking space by the car park					
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	<b>Expected Output</b>	Status		
5.1	Add Reservation	Requested	Display the car park home page.	Pass		
	Steps:	details				
	1. Input the data					
	requested					
	2. Click on the					
	"reserve" button					
5.2	Validate user entry	Invalid	Display error message highlighting the	Pass		
		user entry	empty field label.			
		Blank text				
		boxes				

**Table 5.6 Parking Process – Checkin Test Case** 

(	6. Parking Process - Checkin				
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	<b>Expected Output</b>	Status	
6.1	Add Checkin	Vehicle	Display the Checkin Interface.	Pass	
	Steps:	number	The checkin time, date, driver NIC,		
	1. Input vehicle		vehicle number will be automatically		
	number		displayed in the relevant text boxes.		
	2. Select Checkin				
	3. Click "OK"				
6.2	Submit Checkin	Slot ID	Display the home page of the car park.	Pass	
	Steps:				
	1. Select an				
	available slot				
	2. Click "Submit"				
	button				

**Table 5.7 Parking Process – Checkout Test Case** 

•	7. Parking Process - Checkout				
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	Expected Output	Status	
7.1	Add Checkout	Vehicle	Display the Checkout Interface.	Pass	
	Steps:	number	The Checkin information, checkout		
	1. Input vehicle		time and date will be displayed in the		
	number		relevant text boxes.		
	2. Select Checkout		The duration of the parking and the		
	3. Click "OK"		amount payable will be automatically		
			calculated and displayed.		
7.2	Submit Checkout		Display the home page of the car park.	Pass	
	Steps:		The amount payable will be		
	1. Click "Submit"		automatically deducted from the		
	button		driver's account.		

**Table 5.8 Generate Reports Test Case** 

8	8. Generate reports					
ID	<b>Test Case Description</b>	Input data	Expected Output	Status		
8.1	Open generate report	Username	When signin, display the admin home	Pass		
	interface	password	page.			
	Steps:		After clicking the generate reports			
	1. Login as the		button, the report interface will be			
	admin		displayed.			
	2. Click on					
	"Generate					
	Reports" button					
8.2	Generate reports	Select the	Display the report in the form of a	Pass		
		required	chart.			
		parameters				

## **5.4 Test Report**

Testing is done as part of the development process, and not at the end of the whole process. If it is not done throughout the development process then the testing is done at the end. If so the system will take many changes even in the interface design and process of interface navigations too. Thus changing these at the end is costly and less effective.

The number of defects that is uncovered by the test cases and test data decrease gradually with the number of testing iterations performed. In the initial iteration large number of bugs uncovered and most of those errors are moderate interims of the importance.

Unit testing, integrated testing, functional testing was done by the developer with the help of peers. Peer evaluation aid in the achieving test goals and achieving functional requirements of the system greatly since they will comment on the usability of the system which will be a help in improving the usability of the system. UI testing and the Concept testing was done in the same environment with involvement of peers at particular times.

Peers: Miss Gaya Madhumali, Mr. Rajitha Abesekara, Undergraduates of MIT

• Concept Testing: Passed

• All Units Testing: Passed

All integrated Testing: Passed

• UI Testing: Average

All Functional Testing: Partially Completed

System Testing: Partially Completed

## **System Completion:**

1. Parking Process – Fully implemented

Result: Completed

2. Reservation Process – Fully implemented

Result: Completed

3. IoT – Fully implemented

Result: Completed

Concept Testing, Unit Testing, Integrated testing, Functional testing test the functionality of the system and compares with the requirements of the system which increases the reliability and quality of the system. UI testing increases the usability of the system, which increases the quality of the system as well. Errors were found in Unit, Integrated and Functional testing. But they were not catastrophic or serious errors and were tolerable. Developer was able to handle the exceptions caught when debugging the system. Errors found in UI and Concept testing were taken into consideration and re-modified the system according to them in the design phase and development phase respectively.

# 5.5 Summary

In this chapter, the developer has mentioned the test types, which the developer has followed when implementing the test procedure and test cases of the system. The developer has further described test strategies used, test plan, sample test cases and presents the report of the overall test phase.

# CHAPTER 6

# 6. IMPLEMENTATION

This chapter consists of the implementation details of the project. It will demonstrate the implementation requirements of the Easy park Car Park management System. In addition, this chapter mainly focuses on the implementation specifications such as installation guide and security procedures.

# **6.1 System Requirements**

The minimum hardware and software requirement for the installation of the system as follows.

## **6.1.1** Hardware Requirements

Minimum hardware requirements for the system installation.

- CPU Pentium 4 2.8 GHz
- RAM 4GB or above
- Router with firewall to be always connected to the Internet
- LDR Sensors
- Raspberry Pie 3

### **6.1.2** Software Requirements

Operating System

• Windows 8.1, Android

**Antivirus Software** 

• Norton, McAfee, Avira, Kaperskey

**Backend Software** 

• Wamp Server

### **6.2User Manual**

This user manual will guide you through the system functionality enabling the user, easily manage activities and processes of the main system. This software is created by M. T. S. Ilangakoon, with special customized features to satisfy the requirements identified in the normal car parking process. In addition to the administrator, mainly two user categories are authorized to access the system. They are,

- 1). Driver
- 2). Car Park

These users have the authority to access the system according to their user type.

## 6.2.1 Home Page of the System

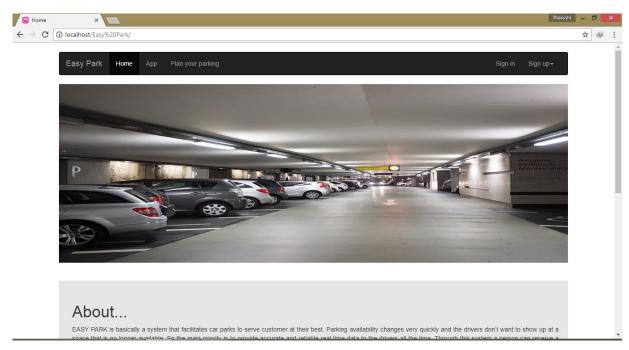


Figure 6.1 Home Page

The main interface contains the information about the system and its benefits.

# 6.2.2 Plan your Parking Interface

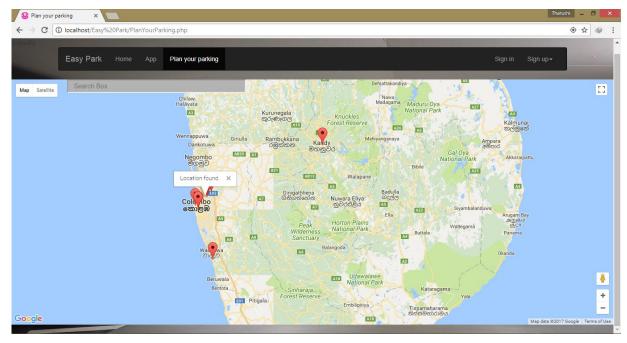


Figure 6.2 Plan Your Parking Interface

This interface shows the map of the car parks registered in the system. You can view the available parking slots in a particular car park. But first you have to signin to reserve a parking slot.

# **6.2.3** Signin Interface

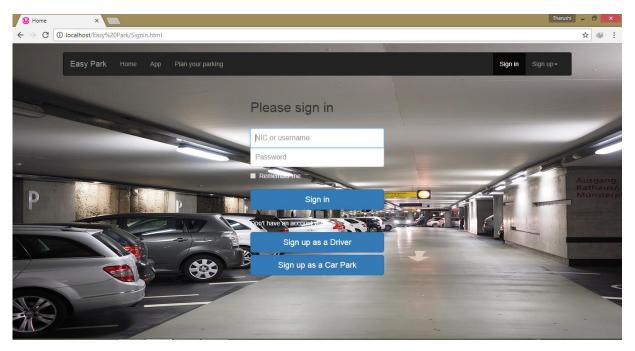


Figure 6.3 Signin Interface

# Steps:

- 1. Enter the username/NIC
- 2. Enter the password
- 3. Click Signin button

After inserting the correct data, the user will be directed to the home page of their profile.

## 6.2.4 Home Page of the user profile

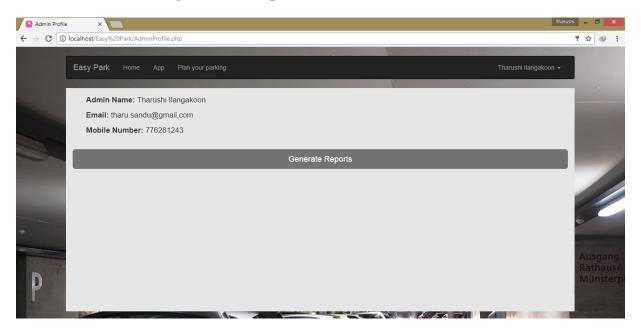


Figure 6.4 Admin User Profile Interface

This holds buttons to direct the administrator to generate the reports.

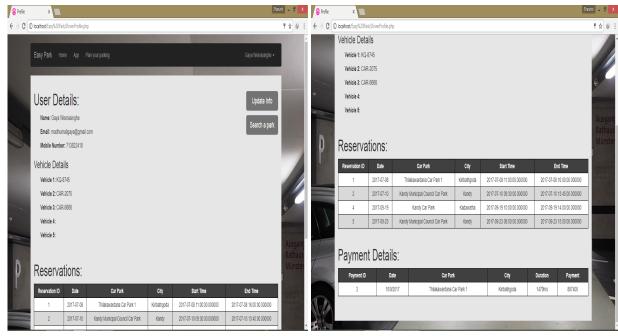


Figure 6.5 Driver User Profile Interface

This interface displays the personal information of the driver, reservation information in different car parks, and their payment details for the parkings they have done. The driver can update his/her information selecting the "Update Info" Button.

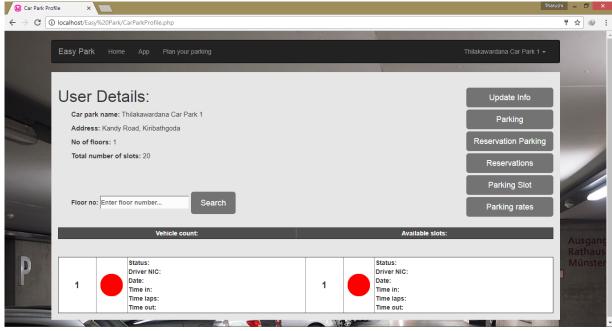


Figure 6.6 Car park Profile Interface

This interface displays the details of the car park and tools to help the car park attendant to manage the vehicle parking process. A parking attendant can,

- 1. Update car park information
- 2. Manage normal check in and check out process of vehicles
- 3. Manage check in and check out of the reservations
- 4. Search reservation information, add/update/delete reservations
- 5. Add/Update parking rates
- 6. Add/Update/Delete parking slots

## 6.2.5 User Signup

The following button can be viewed in the menu bar of all the interfaces

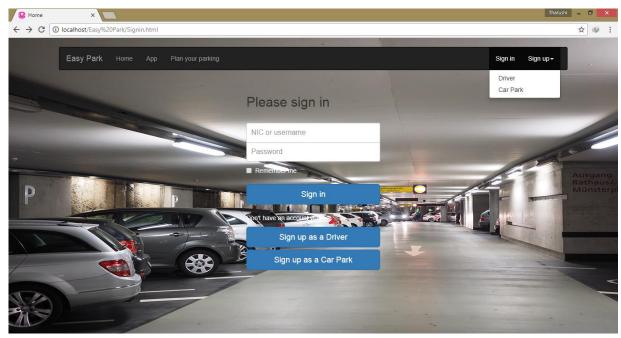


Figure 6.7 Select User Type

Select the required user type to sign up in to the system.

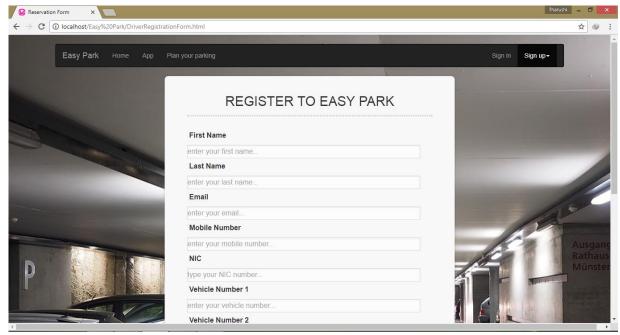


Figure 6.8 Driver Registration Form

To add a new driver to the system, the respective fields must be filled with the following data.

NIC, First Name, Last Name, Email, Mobile Number, Vehicle numbers (Up to 5 vehicles), Username, Password

A driver can use his NIC as the Username and the given password to login to the system.

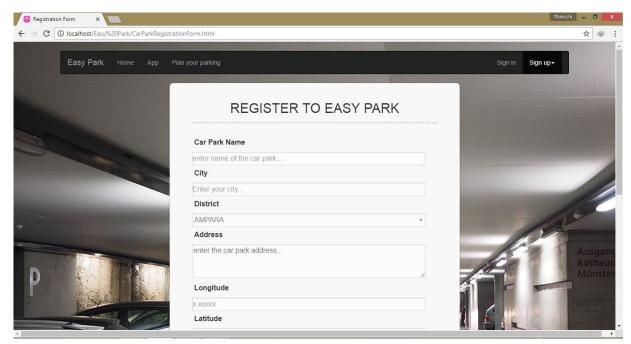


Figure 6.9 Car Park registration Form

To add a new car park to the system, the respective fields must be filled with the following data.

Car Park Name, City, District, Longitude, Latitude, Number of Floors, Number of parking spaces in total, Type of the car park (outdoor, indoor, automates etc.), Username, Password

The car park attendant can use the given Username and password to login to the system.

The Car Park ID will be generated automatically by the system.

### 6.2.6 Reserving a Parking Space by the Driver

When user click on the "Search Car Park" button in the home page of his profile or the "Plan your Parking" tab in the menu bar, the driver will be directed to the google map which shows all the registered car parks in the system.

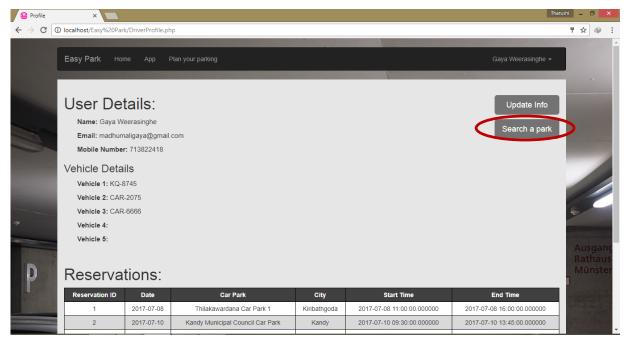


Figure 6.10 Viewing the google map

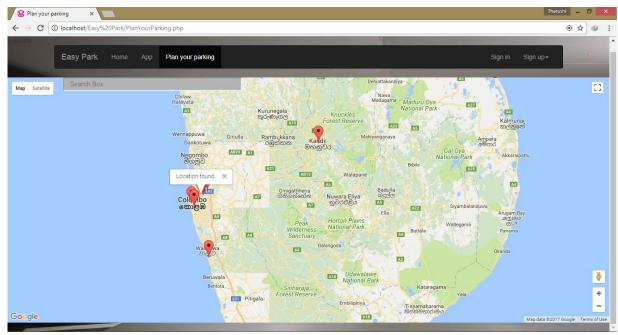


Figure 6.11 Map with Car Parks

When you click on a marker of the car park, it will display an info window which consist of public information of a car park.

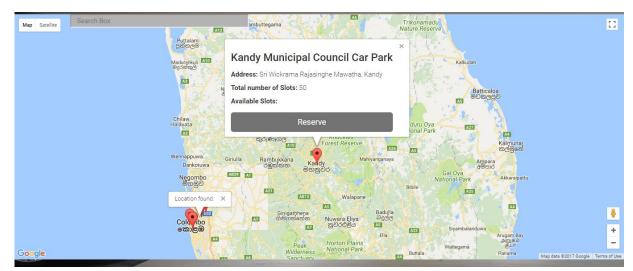


Figure 6.12 Info Window

When you click on the "Reserve" button, the driver will be directed to the Reservation form

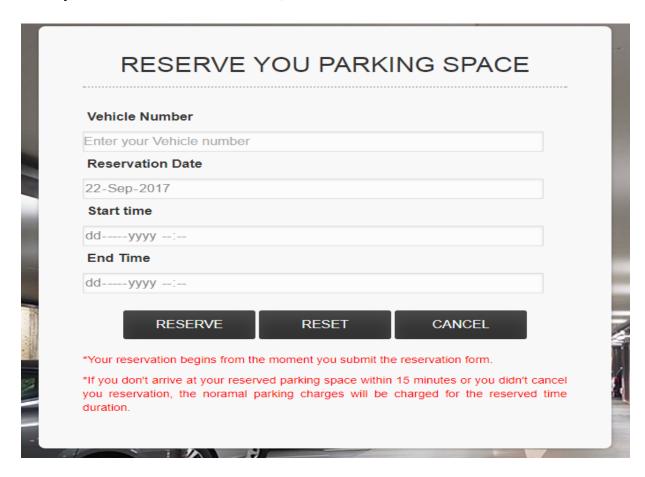


Figure 6.13 Parking Reservation Form viewed by the driver

To add a new reservation, the respective fields must be filled by the driver with the following data.

Reservation date, Start Time, End Time.

The reservation date and the start time date given in the form should be the same.

The reservation ID will be automatically generated by the system. The driver can view his reservation details with the Reservation ID in his profile.

The Reservation ID given by the system need to be introduced when check in to the car park.

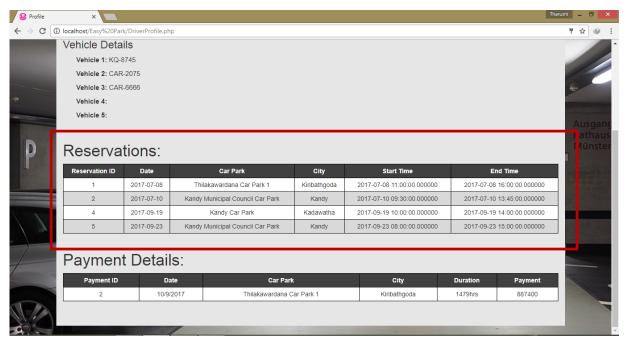


Figure 6.14 Reservation Details

## 6.2.7 Reserving a Parking Space by the Car Park

The car park can also add reservations by clicking the "Reservations" button and then select the "Add Reservation" from the given choices.



Figure 6.15 Adding a reservation by the car park

A new reservation can be added by filling the respective fields. The new reservation can be viewed in the driver profile.

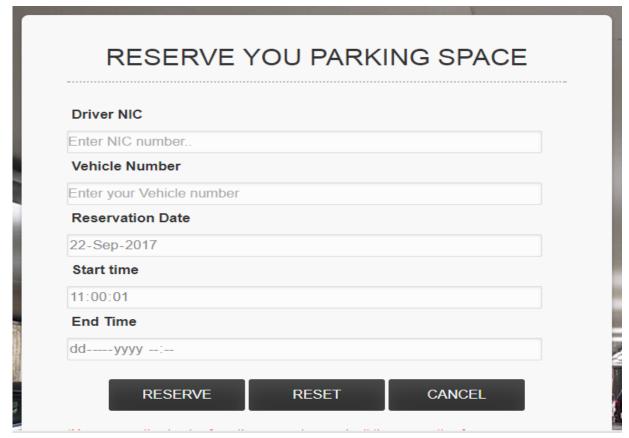


Figure 6.16 Parking Reservation form viewed by the car park

## 6.2.8 Parking Process in the Car Park

### • Check in

When a vehicle come to the car park, the car park attendant has to follow the following process.

- 1. Click on the "Parking" button
- 2. Enter the vehicle number
- 3. Select "Checkin"
- 4. Click OK
- 5. The check in date and time will be displayed
- 6. Select a parking slot
- 7. Click Submit

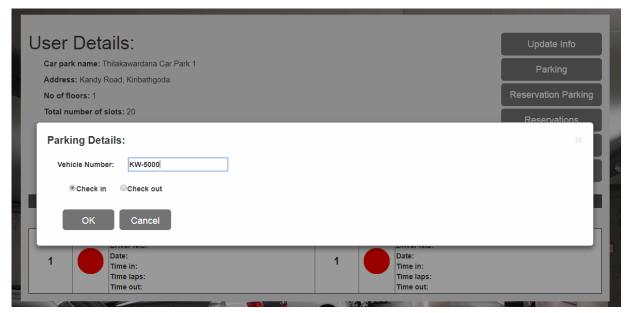


Figure 6.17 Insert Checkin Details

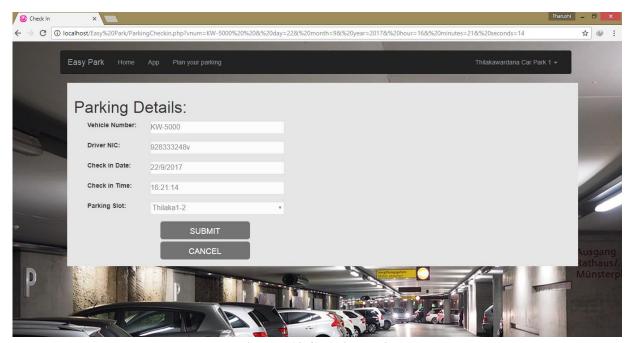


Figure 6.18 Checkin Details

### Check out

When a vehicle check out from the car park, the parking attendant has to follow the following steps.

- 1. Click on the "Parking" button
- 2. Enter the vehicle number
- 3. Select "Checkout"
- 4. Click OK
- 5. The checkout date, time, duration of the parking and the parking charges will be displayed
- 6. Click Submit

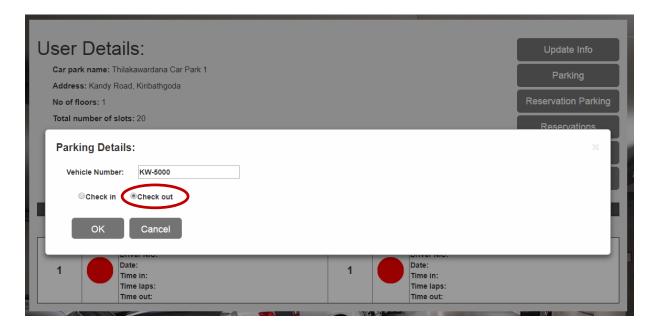


Figure 6.19 Insert Checkout details

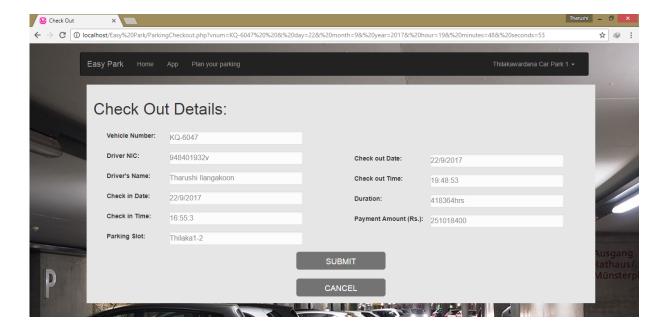


Figure 6.20 Checkout Details

The relevant payment will be reduced from the user subscription and it will be displayed in the driver profile under payment details.

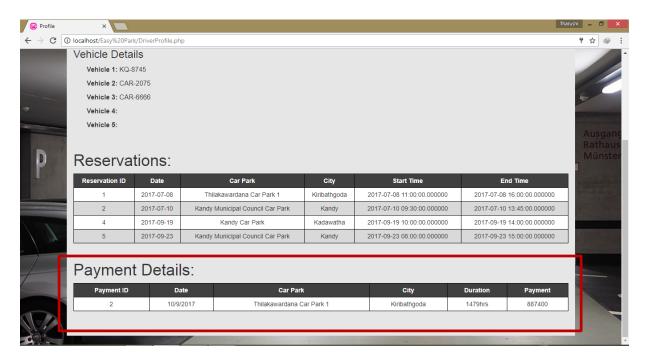


Figure 6.21 Payment Details

## **6.2.10 Reports**

To generate the reports the administrator has to click on the "Generate Reports" button

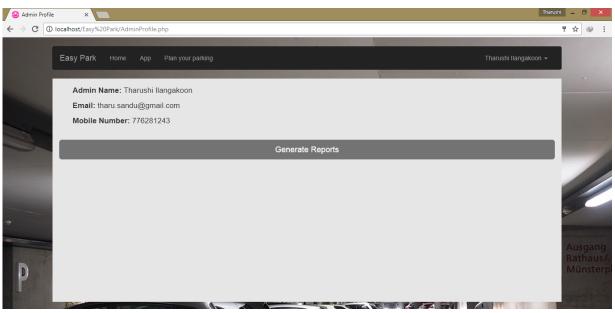


Figure 6.22 Generating Reports

This will direct the administrator to a new page where he can generate different reports.

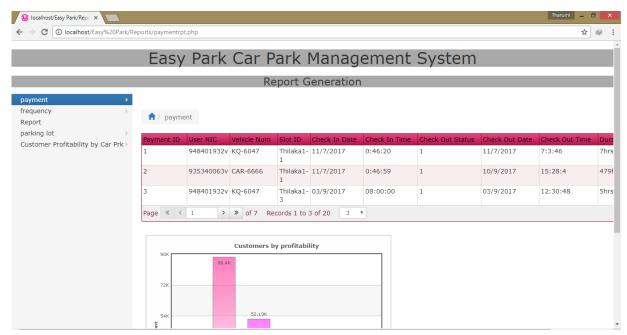
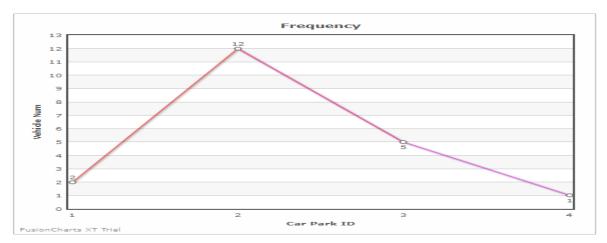


Figure 6.23 Reports



**Figure 6.24 Frequency Reports** 



Figure 6.25 Overall Customer Profitability

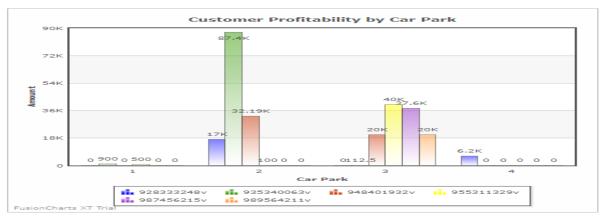


Figure 6.26 Customer Profitability by Car Park Report



Figure 6.27 Profitability of the Car Parks

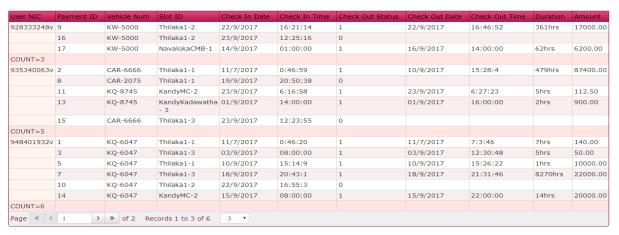


Figure 6.28 Customer Information Report

The above types of reports can be obtained from the system. These reports can be used to gain additional revenue by selling them to different companies. For an example, the companies can put up stalls for their products and do a promotional campaign for their products. The car park can charge some fee from those stalls.

Another benefit of these reports is that a car park can identify their most profitable customers and introduce some benefits for them such as loyalty scheme or extra reservation time etc.

# **6.3** Summary

In this chapter, the developer has discussed about the implementation of the Easy Park Car Park Management System. It includes the implementation specifications such as software requirements and hardware requirements installation guide, User manual which guides the user to use the system easily.

# CHAPTER 7

# 7. EVALUATION AND CONCLUSION

This chapter evaluates the attempt taken in the project and provides a conclusion of the project. It includes degree of objectives met, limitations and drawbacks, and future modifications, improvements and extensions possible.

## 7.1 Degree of objectives met

The main objective of "Easy Park" car park management system is to go beyond just helping the drivers to locate a parking space. The system enables the drivers to locate the right parking space. It provides a solution for the problems identified in the current process by improving efficiency and accuracy, minimizing time consumed with finding a parking space, providing timely data and improving the decision making ability.

## 1. Minimize the time consumed with finding a parking space

The system provides reservation facility by which the driver can reserve a parking space before going to the car park. The location of the car park and the route will be shown through the navigation facility provided by the system.

## 2. Improve efficiency and accuracy

The entrance time and exit time will be extracted from the system for the calculation of the parking charges. The payment amount will be automatically deducted from the subscription.

## 3. Provide timely data

Data is transmitted through the sensors and other physical devices in the car park. Based on the transmitted data SMS notifications will be sent to the user to notify and remind them about the updates in reservation facility.

### 4. Improve decision making

The management decision making process is provided by the new system to develop strategic plans to increase the revenue from the car parks.

## 7.2 Usability, Accessibility, Reliability and Friendliness

In the development of Easy Park Car Park Management System, discount usability engineering factors were used in a scale of particularity.

### • Visibility of system status

The system always keeps users informed about what is going on, through appropriate feedback within reasonable time. Alert messages, validation messages, Error Massages with natural Language are always assisting user with the status of the system while performing a task.

### Match between system and the real world

The system speaks the users' language, with words, phrases and concepts familiar to the user. System follows the natural and logical order of precedence according to the users' behavior.

### Consistency and standards

System maintains the consistency throughout, use standard styles in all pages, to avoid surprises for the users

#### • Error prevention

Prevention is better than Cure. So use of regular expression validation and scripts are preventing users to enter invalid data. Enabling and disabling options when necessary, use of drop down list to select from menus, are some of error prevention methods used.

## • Helps users reorganize, diagnose and recover from errors

Error messages are expressed in plain language (no codes), precisely indicate the problem, and constructively suggest a solution when possible.

### • Help and documentation

System provides a comprehensive user guide with step by step description with pictures

## Clearly marked exits

All the pages contain breadcrumbs where the navigational path is indicated with link buttons. User can use breadcrumbs to go back to the previous page visited, or use the sign out link button to sign out from the system at any given time. Main menu bar is always present on the top where users can navigate easily between pages.

### 7.3 Limitations and Drawbacks

With the time and resource limitations, "Easy Park" – Car Park management System has its limitations and drawbacks with the current completion state.

The main drawback of the system is the inability to know the last minute reservations of a parking space. For an example, the driver may have gone to the car park based on the information provided by the system in the previous minute and within that minute another car may have parked in the parking space.

Another drawback is inability to remove a previously parked vehicle from a parking space if the parking space is reserved for the next hour or so. The next vehicle will face problems if the previous vehicle hasn't been removed on time.

# 7.4 Future Modifications, Improvements and Extensions

There are several further modifications to the system, which will enhance the quality of the system in terms of usability, reliability and accessibility.

- System can be developed to process the vehicle number plate to automatically add data about the vehicle owner to the system
- Improve the system to be used in other platforms
- Develop a web application integrating the APIs
- Link the system with PayPal

# 7.5 Summary

In this chapter, the author has described about the degree of objectives met after implementing the project, limitations and drawbacks, and further development of the project.

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