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ABSTRACT

The E-Attendance Mobile Application is an innovative digital solution designed to revolutionize the process of attendance tracking. By Leveraging the power of mobile technology, the application provides a convenient, efficient, and accurate method for recording attendance in various settings such as schools, colleges, offices, and events.

The primary objective of the application is to replace traditional, manual methods of attendance tracking, which are often time-consuming, prone to errors, and susceptible to manipulation, with a seamless, digital platform that ensures accuracy and integrity of the data.

This report will further discuss the features, benefits, and potential applications of the E-Attendance Mobile Application, demonstrating its value as a modern solution for attendance management.

The subsequent sections will delve into the technical aspects of the application, its implementation, and the results of preliminary testing and user feedback. The potential impact of the E-Attendance Mobile Application is significant. It can drastically reduce the time and resources spent on attendance management, improve the accuracy of attendance records, and provide valuable insights into attendance patterns. These benefits can lead to improved operational efficiency, better resource allocation, and enhanced decision-making processes.

In Summary, E-Attendance Mobile Applications have revolutionized the way organizations attendance. Offer a convenient and efficient alternative to traditional methods, allowing to mark their attendance with just a few taps on their smartphones. Also enhance the employee experience. Furthermore, they contribute to environmental sustainability by promoting paperless record-keeping.

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CHAPTER 1
INTRODICTION

1.1 Background to study of E-attendance

Attendance tracking is an important part of administration in a variety of situations, including educational institutions, corporations, and events. Traditionally, this process has depended mainly on paper-based approaches, with attendance documented manually by checking names off a list. Although straightforward, this traditional method is riddled with inefficiencies, such as the possibility of human error, the time-consuming nature of manual record-keeping, and data management issues. As we move into the digital age, there is an increasing need to modernize this process in order to increase accuracy and efficiency.

Electronic attendance systems (E-attendance) are an important innovation in that sector. These methods automate attendance tracking through the use of mobile applications and QR code technology. Participants can check in for an event or class using their mobile devices, either through a dedicated app or by displaying a downloaded QR code that can be scanned. This digital strategy promises to improve attendance management, minimize administrative workload, and give real-time data for more informed decision-making and get the accurate report to use in any kind of work.

The transition to E-Attendance is part of a larger trend of digital transformation that is transforming many administrative operations. As organizations implement more digital solutions, it is critical to assess the effectiveness of these new systems and their influence on operational efficiency.

Moreover, the adoption of E-attendance systems aligns with the growing emphasis on sustainability. Reducing paper usage contributes to environmental conservation efforts and aligns with the global push towards greener practices. By digitizing attendance tracking, organizations can significantly cut down on paper waste and promote eco-friendly initiatives.

1.2 Problem Statement

Despite the crucial need of proper attendance monitoring, conventional paper-based solutions have several severe flaws. These systems are intrinsically inefficient since human attendance tracking takes time and energy and disturbs the flow of activity, whether in schools, corporate meetings, or at events. This inefficiency wastes event time, reduces productivity, and places a significant administrative strain on personnel. Furthermore, manual methods are prone to human errors. Mistakes in attendance recording can result in erroneous records, which can have serious consequences, especially in educational settings where attendance can influence grading, evaluation, and monitoring. Payroll and compliance errors can lead to arguments in company settings.

Managing and storing paper records are necessary significant to administrative time and resources. Over time, this activity leads to huge logistical difficulty, especially for large institutions and organizations that must process massive amounts of information. Collecting, storing, and retrieving paper records are time-consuming and inefficient. Furthermore, traditional techniques are easier to fraudulency practices such as fake attendance, which involves one person marking attendance for another. This issue negatively impacts the accuracy of attendance records and can result in unfair benefits or unearned credits.

Obtaining and evaluating attendance from paper is likewise laborious and ineffective. This makes it more difficult to obtain information fast and produce reports. The absence of real-time data might cause delays in interventions required to address issues like absenteeism and delay the making of prompt decisions. In addition, traditional attendance systems' heavy reliance on paper use exacerbates environmental damage. Considering the considerable environmental effects of paper manufacturing, use, and disposal, switching to digital alternatives is a responsible decision.

Given these challenges, there is a clear need for a more reliable, efficient, and secure method of attendance tracking. To clear this difficulty and this issue makes use of technology and mobile applications by few click in the app how help and transform the

problem to these challenges. Automating attendance recording, minimizing errors, lightening the administrative burden, and enabling real-time data access are the goals of this system. A solution like this can also improve user experience by streamlining the check-in procedure and guaranteeing dependability and accuracy in attendance records.

1.3 Aim and Objective of Study

The primary goal of this research is to design, build and evaluate the what if record the attendance to new level with mobile phone that everyone uses to create the mobile application to the system that capable of effectively replacing current paper-base and traditional way of take attendance. The E-Attendance is the system that will leverage the technology use to check attendance with mobile application and QR code technology to enhance the accuracy, efficiency, and ease of attendance tracking. This innovative approach seeks to address the limitations of manual attendance recording by automating the process and reducing the administrative burden on staff.

To achieve and reach to this aim, the study has several specific and clear objectives. First, the study aims to design and develop a user-friendly mobile application minimize the way of check in with E-Attendance Tracking App. This application will integrate QR code technology to facilitate seamless check-in processes for participants. The design process will focus on creating an intuitive interface that can be easily navigated by users of varying technological proficiency

Second, the study will assess the usability of the E-attendance system by conducting trials in real-world settings such as educational institutions and events. These trials will help gather user feedback and identify any usability issues that may need to be addressed. By involving actual users in the testing phase, the study aims to ensure that the final product meets their needs and expectations.

Third, the study aims to compare the accuracy and efficiency of the E-attendance system with traditional paper-based methods. By conducting empirical testing and data

analysis, the study will evaluate the performance of the E-attendance system in terms of reducing errors and administrative workload. This comparison will involve detailed statistical analysis to quantify improvements in accuracy and efficiency.

Finally, the study aims to evaluate the impact of the E-attendance system on data management processes. This includes assessing how the system improves the ease of data retrieval, analysis, and reporting, thereby facilitating better decision-making and operational efficiency. The study will investigate the system's ability to provide real-time data access, generate accurate reports, and support data-driven decision-making processes.

1.4 Relational of Study

The rationale for this study lies in addressing the inefficiencies and challenges associated with traditional attendance tracking methods in modern organizational settings. Traditional methods, such as paper-based attendance sheets and manual time clocks, are prone to several issues including inaccuracies, ease of manipulation, time-consuming processes, and administrative burdens. These methods often fail to provide real-time data and lack the capability to ensure the physical presence of employees at specific locations, which is crucial for operational effectiveness and compliance.

The e-attendance app represents a technological advancement designed to overcome these challenges. By incorporating geolocation features, the app can accurately verify whether a user is within the designated area, thereby ensuring that attendance records are legitimate and precise. Additionally, the QR code functionality offers a quick and secure alternative for users to check-in, further enhancing the efficiency and reliability of the attendance system.

This study is motivated by the need to explore the potential of the e-attendance app to transform attendance management. It aims to provide empirical evidence on the app's effectiveness in improving the accuracy of attendance records, reducing administrative workload, and preventing fraudulent practices. The findings from this study can serve as a valuable resource for organizations seeking to modernize their attendance tracking processes, improve employee accountability, and optimize administrative efficiency.

Moreover, the study will contribute to the existing body of knowledge by providing insights into the practical applications of geolocation and QR code technologies in attendance management. By examining user experiences and the operational impact of the e-attendance app, the research will highlight best practices and potential areas for further technological enhancements. This, in turn, can guide future developments in digital attendance systems and their broader implementation across various organizational contexts

1.5 Limitation and Scope

1.5.1 Limitation

While the E-Attendance system aims to revolutionize attendance tracking through mobile technology, several limitations are recognized:

Technical Challenges

- **GPS-based Check-in**: Ensuring the robustness of GPS-based check-in ranges can be challenging, particularly in varying network conditions and geographic locations. The system must address potential issues related to accuracy and reliability in different environments.
- **Offline QR Code Scanning and Synchronization**: The app must handle offline QR code scanning effectively and ensure proper synchronization once the device is back online, which can be technically complex.

User Adoption and Training:

- **Resistance to Technology**: Users unfamiliar with mobile applications may resist adopting the new system. Overcoming this resistance requires comprehensive training and support.
- **Training Needs**: Ensuring all users are adequately trained to use the system can be resource-intensive and time-consuming.

Administrative Constraints

- **Handling Large-Scale User Accounts**: Managing administrative overheads, such as handling large-scale user accounts, class enrollments, and system configurations, can be challenging.

- **System Configuration**: Continuous management and configuration of the system to meet organizational needs require significant administrative effort.

Security and Privacy Concerns

- **Data Breaches**: Mitigating risks associated with data breaches or unauthorized access to personal information is crucial. Ensuring robust security measures are in place to protect user data is essential.

- **Privacy Issues**: Addressing privacy concerns related to the collection and use of location data and other personal information is necessary to gain user trust.

Scope of Application

- **Current Focus**: The current study focuses primarily on QR code and GPS-based attendance tracking. While these technologies offer significant advantages, they may not cover all possible attendance tracking scenarios.

- **Future Expansions**: Future expansions may include integrating biometric or RFID technologies to enhance the system's capabilities.

1.5.1 Scope

The scope of this study encompasses the comprehensive design, development, implementation, and evaluation of the E-Attendance system, which includes the following key functionalities:

User Registration and Authentication:

- **Email OTP-Based Registration**: Implementing a secure registration process using email OTP (One-Time Password) for verification.

- **Password Reset**: Providing a secure method for users to reset their passwords if forgotten.

Profile Management:

- **Edit Profiles**: Allowing users to securely edit their profiles and manage their personal information within the app.

Class Management:

- **Create Classes**: Enabling teachers to create classes and generate unique invitation codes and QR codes for student enrollment.
- **Student Enrollment**: Facilitating student access to join classes using invitation codes or QR codes.

User Roles and Dashboards:

- **Teacher Interface**: Providing a dedicated "My Class" screen for teachers to manage their classes.
- **Student Interface**: Offering a "Classes" screen for students to view and manage their enrolled classes.
- **Administrator Interface**: Implementing an "Admin Dashboard" for administrators to manage user accounts, classes, and system settings.

Subclass Creation and Management:

- **Manage Subclasses**: Allowing teachers to create subclasses within main classes and manage student attendance within these subclasses.

Attendance Tracking:

- **Manual Check-In/Out**: Enabling students to manually check-in and check-out of classes.
- **Offline QR Code Check-In/Out**: Allowing students to check-in or check-out offline using QR codes scanned by a teacher's device.
- **GPS-Based Check-In**: Providing tools for teachers to manage attendance using GPS-based check-in ranges and introducing a map view feature for visualizing class ranges and student locations.
- **Accurate Record Keeping**: Ensuring that attendance records are accurately captured and securely stored.

Student Management:

- **View and Manage Students**: Allowing teachers to view and manage student lists within their classes.

Real-Time Updates and Notifications:

- **Class Activities**: Providing instant updates on class activities, attendance status, and announcements to keep users informed.

Export and Share Attendance Lists:

- **Export to Excel**: Allowing teachers to export attendance records of their classes into Excel format.
- **Share Reports**: Enabling teachers to share attendance reports with relevant stakeholders, such as administrators or parents.

Admin Dashboard:

- **Web-Based Management**: Implementing a web-based dashboard for administrators to oversee user management, class assignments, attendance data, and system configuration.

Data Security and Privacy:

- **Protect User Data**: Implementing measures to protect user data and comply with privacy regulations to ensure user trust and data integrity.

Performance Evaluation:

Usability and Effectiveness Testing: Conducting thorough testing and evaluation in educational and organizational settings to measure the system's usability and effectiveness.

CHAPTER 2
LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction of Attendance System

The literature review provides a comprehensive overview of existing research and technologies related to electronic attendance systems. It explores the evolution of attendance tracking methods, the application of geolocation and QR code technologies in various fields, and the advantages and challenges associated with digital attendance systems. This chapter sets the foundation for understanding the significance of the e-attendance system and its potential to address the limitations of traditional attendance tracking methods.

2.2 Evolution of Attendance Tracking Systems

Attendance tracking systems have evolved significantly over the years, transitioning from manual methods to automated digital solutions. Early attendance systems relied heavily on paper-based records and manual timekeeping, which were prone to errors, time-consuming, and susceptible to manipulation. The introduction of punch card systems in the mid-20th century marked the beginning of automated attendance tracking, reducing manual errors but still requiring physical presence and equipment maintenance.

The advent of computer technology in the late 20th century led to the development of electronic attendance systems that utilized magnetic stripe cards and barcode scanners. These systems improved data accuracy and efficiency but still faced challenges such as card loss or damage and the need for physical infrastructure. In recent years, advancements in mobile technology and internet connectivity have paved the way for sophisticated attendance tracking systems that leverage smartphones, geolocation, QR codes, and biometric authentication.

2.3 Geolocation Technology in Attendance Systems

Geolocation technology, which uses GPS, Wi-Fi, and cellular networks to determine the physical location of a device, has been increasingly integrated into attendance systems. Geolocation-based attendance systems offer several advantages, including the ability to

verify the physical presence of users at specific locations, real-time tracking, and enhanced security.

Several studies have highlighted the effectiveness of geolocation technology in improving attendance accuracy and reducing fraudulent practices. For example, a study by Zhang et al. (2019) demonstrated the use of GPS-based attendance tracking in educational institutions, showing a significant reduction in attendance fraud and administrative workload. Similarly, a report by Lee and Park (2020) discussed the implementation of geolocation technology in corporate settings, emphasizing its role in ensuring employee presence and streamlining attendance management.

However, geolocation technology also faces challenges such as varying accuracy in different environments, dependence on device capabilities, and privacy concerns related to continuous location tracking. These challenges necessitate robust system design and user education to ensure effective implementation and acceptance.

2.4 QR Code Technology in Attendance Systems

QR (Quick Response) code technology, a type of matrix barcode, has gained popularity in attendance systems due to its ease of use, low cost, and versatility. QR codes can store various types of information, including URLs, text, and contact details, making them suitable for diverse applications such as event check-ins, classroom attendance, and workplace access control.

The integration of QR codes in attendance systems offers several benefits, including quick and contactless check-ins, reduced administrative overhead, and improved data accuracy. A study by Kumar and Sharma (2018) explored the use of QR codes in educational settings, highlighting their effectiveness in simplifying the attendance process and minimizing errors. Another study by Ahmed and Rahman (2021) examined the application of QR codes in workplace attendance, noting significant improvements in efficiency and employee satisfaction.

Despite these advantages, QR code-based attendance systems face challenges such as the need for reliable scanning devices, potential issues with QR code visibility or damage, and security concerns related to code duplication or tampering. Addressing these

challenges requires careful system design, regular maintenance, and robust security measures.

2.5 Advantages of Digital Attendance Systems

Digital attendance systems, incorporating advanced technologies such as geolocation and QR codes, offer numerous advantages over traditional methods. These systems provide significant benefits in terms of accuracy, efficiency, security, convenience, and data analysis. This section delves deeper into each of these advantages.

2.5.1 Accuracy and Reliability

Digital attendance systems enhance the accuracy and reliability of attendance records. Traditional manual systems are prone to errors, such as incorrect data entry or lost records. Automated systems minimize these errors by capturing data directly from the user's device. This reduces the likelihood of discrepancies and ensures that attendance records are consistently accurate.

- **Automated Data Capture**: Digital systems automatically log attendance data, eliminating human error associated with manual entry.
- **Real-Time Updates**: Real-time data capture ensures that attendance records are up-to-date, providing accurate information for decision-making and reporting.

2.5.2 Efficiency

Digital attendance systems streamline the attendance process, making it more efficient for both users and administrators. Traditional methods require significant time and effort to collect, record, and process attendance data. Digital systems automate these tasks, freeing up time for other important activities.

- **Time-Saving**: Automated check-in and check-out processes save time for students, employees, and administrators. Users can quickly record their attendance using their mobile devices, while administrators can access and manage attendance data without manual intervention.

- **Reduced Administrative Workload**: Digital systems reduce the administrative burden of managing attendance records, allowing staff to focus on other critical tasks.

2.5.3 Security

Security is a major concern in attendance tracking, and digital systems provide enhanced security features to protect attendance data. Traditional methods are vulnerable to manipulation, such as proxy attendance or tampering with records. Digital systems incorporate advanced security measures to mitigate these risks.

- **Verification Mechanisms**: Technologies such as GPS and QR codes provide secure verification of user presence, reducing the risk of fraudulent attendance.
- **Data Encryption**: Attendance data is encrypted during transmission and storage, protecting it from unauthorized access and ensuring data integrity.
- **Access Control**: Digital systems can implement role-based access control, ensuring that only authorized users can view or modify attendance records.

2.5.4 Convenience

Digital attendance systems offer a high level of convenience for users. Traditional methods often require physical presence and manual signing, which can be cumbersome and time-consuming. Digital systems provide flexible and user-friendly options for recording attendance.

- **Mobile Accessibility**: Users can record their attendance using mobile devices from anywhere within the permitted range, providing flexibility and convenience.
- **Contactless Check-In**: QR code technology allows for quick and contactless check-in, enhancing user experience and reducing physical contact, which is particularly important in health-conscious environments.
- **Offline Functionality**: Some digital systems provide offline functionality, allowing users to check in or out even without internet connectivity. This data can be synced once the connection is restored.

2.5.5 Data Analysis

Digital attendance systems enable comprehensive data collection and analysis, providing valuable insights into attendance patterns and behaviors. This information is crucial for organizations to make informed decisions and improve overall efficiency.

- **Analytical Tools**: Digital systems often include built-in analytical tools that allow administrators to generate reports, identify trends, and monitor attendance patterns over time.
- **Customization**: Advanced digital systems offer customizable reporting options, enabling organizations to tailor reports to their specific needs and objectives.
- **Integration with Other Systems**: Digital attendance systems can integrate with other organizational systems, such as HR or academic management platforms, providing a holistic view of user data and streamlining administrative processes.

2.5.6 Environmental Impact

Digital attendance systems contribute to environmental sustainability by reducing the need for paper-based records. Traditional attendance methods rely heavily on paper, which can lead to significant waste and environmental impact.

- **Paperless Operations**: Digital systems eliminate the need for physical attendance sheets, reducing paper consumption and waste.
- **Energy Efficiency**: Many digital systems are designed to be energy-efficient, minimizing the environmental impact of electronic attendance tracking.

2.5.7 Compliance and Reporting

Digital attendance systems facilitate compliance with organizational policies and regulatory requirements. Accurate and easily accessible attendance records are essential for auditing, reporting, and ensuring adherence to attendance policies.

- **Regulatory Compliance**: Digital systems help organizations comply with regulatory requirements by providing accurate and auditable attendance records.
- **Automated Reporting**: Automated reporting features simplify the process of generating and submitting attendance reports to relevant stakeholders.

2.5.8 Scalability

Digital attendance systems are scalable, allowing organizations to accommodate growth and changing needs. Traditional methods can become cumbersome and inefficient as the number of users increases, but digital systems can handle large volumes of data and users seamlessly.

- **Adaptability**: Digital systems can be easily adapted to suit different organizational sizes and structures, ensuring consistent performance regardless of scale.
- **Future-Proofing**: Advanced digital systems are designed to incorporate future technological developments, ensuring long-term viability and relevance.

2.5.9 Cost-Effectiveness

While the initial investment in digital attendance systems may be significant, they offer long-term cost savings. Reduced administrative workload, paperless operations, and improved efficiency contribute to overall cost-effectiveness.

- **Reduced Operational Costs**: Automation and efficiency gains reduce the need for extensive administrative support, leading to cost savings.
- **Long-Term Savings**: The durability and reliability of digital systems minimize maintenance and replacement costs compared to traditional methods.

2.6 Attendance Radar

Attendance Radar is a mobile app that uses Bluetooth to track student attendance efficiently. Teachers send a signal, and students confirm their presence in the app. The attendance list can then be transferred onto the school's system manually or automatically.

Attendance Radar, a creation of Codific, is a cutting-edge app designed to simplify and secure the process of tracking student attendance using Bluetooth technology. The app was launched in October 2022 to address the shortcomings of traditional QR code-based systems, primarily their susceptibility to cheating.

Key Features

- **Bluetooth Technology**: Attendance Radar uses Bluetooth signals to verify the physical presence of students in a specific location, preventing fraudulent check-ins.

- **Ease of Use**: The app is designed for quick and reliable attendance tracking, providing a hassle-free experience for both educators and students.
- **Security**: Developed by experts in secure software, the app ensures that the data is protected and the system is cheat-proof.

Development Team

Codific, the company behind Attendance Radar, boasts over a decade of experience in creating secure educational technology solutions. The team is composed of professionals skilled in secure software development and growth strategies, ensuring the app's reliability and efficacy.

Impact

Since its launch, Attendance Radar has gained traction in educational institutions looking for a robust solution to attendance tracking challenges. Its innovative use of Bluetooth technology sets it apart from other methods, offering a significant improvement in both security and user experience.

2.7 Education Horizons

Education Horizons offers Engage, a comprehensive school management information system (MIS) that includes an advanced attendance tracking module. The Engage Attendance system is designed to streamline the process of monitoring and managing student attendance across various school activities.

Key Features

- **Device Compatibility**: Attendance can be recorded on any device, ensuring flexibility for teachers whether in the classroom or on school trips.
- **Integration**: Fully integrated within the Teacher Portal, Engage Apps, and the Timetable module, providing seamless access and functionality.
- **Customization**: Tailorable to fit specific school schedules, teaching periods, and attendance policies, allowing for accurate and relevant attendance tracking.
- **Quick Mark Function**: Simplifies the process of taking attendance, enabling quick and easy recording for classes, houses, or groups.
- **Reporting and Alerts**: Provides visual attendance reports and options to export data to Excel or print. Alerts and actions can be triggered within the system to address attendance issues promptly.

Impact

The Engage Attendance system enhances the efficiency and accuracy of attendance management in schools. By providing real-time data and customizable features, it supports swift intervention and informed decision-making by school staff.

CHAPTER 3
METHODOLOGY

The E-Attendance Application is designed to revolutionize the traditional methods of tracking attendance by leveraging modern technology to provide a streamlined, efficient, and accurate solution. In educational institutions and workplaces, attendance tracking is a critical task that often involves time-consuming and error-prone manual processes. The E-Attendance Application addresses these challenges by Mobile location base and QR code attendance recording, reducing administrative burdens, and providing real-time insights into attendance patterns.

This methodology report details the comprehensive approach undertaken to design, develop, implement, and evaluate the E-Attendance system. The report is structured to provide insights into each phase of the project, from initial requirements gathering to final evaluation, ensuring transparency and clarity in the development process.

3.1 Planning and Requirement Analysis

This project is aiming to improve the experience of recording the attendance base on number of the user that have smart phone and we take that smart device in use to help manage and provide the less working load tons of report in facility This phase involves identifying the needs and expectations of stakeholders, defining the scope of the project, and establishing a clear plan for execution. This report details the activities undertaken during this phase, including stakeholder engagement, requirement elicitation and analysis, as well as the planning processes that set the foundation for the development of the E-Attendance system.

In defining the project scope, we focused and plan on creating a robust and user-friendly system that addresses the unique needs of teachers and students. The primary objectives were to improve attendance accuracy, streamline the check-in process, and ensure the system's usability in various scenarios. The key deliverables were outlined, including the development of web and mobile applications, backend services, and detailed documentation. A comprehensive project timeline was established, detailing major milestones and deadlines for each phase of the project.

Resource allocation was meticulously planned to ensure the project's success. We structured the project team with specific roles and responsibilities assigned to developers, designers, testers, and project managers. The chosen tools and technologies included React for web development, Flutter for mobile development, Node.js for backend services, and MongoDB for the database. Budget estimations accounted for the costs of development, testing, deployment, and maintenance.

Risk management was a critical component of our planning process. Potential risks, such as technical challenges related to geolocation and QR code functionalities, scope creep, and resource limitations, were identified. Mitigation strategies were developed, including the adoption of agile methodologies, maintaining open communication with stakeholders, and conducting regular progress reviews to keep the project on track.

Requirement Analysis

The requirement analysis phase began with identifying and understanding the needs of our primary users: teachers and students.

Teacher and Student Requirements:

1. **Geolocation-Based Check-In:** Teachers and students require a reliable geolocation-based check-in feature that ensures attendance is marked only when users are within a predefined geographic range, typically the school premises. This feature necessitates accurate GPS functionality and the ability to set and modify geofenced areas.

2. **Unique QR Card Functionality:** Each user will have a unique QR card generated for check-ins at the school or events. Teachers or event coordinators will use their devices to scan these QR codes using the camera. This system ensures that attendance can be tracked efficiently without requiring internet connectivity at the time of scanning. Attendance data will be stored locally on the scanning device and synchronized with the server once an internet connection is available.

3. **User Authentication and Authorization:** Secure login mechanisms are necessary for both teachers and students, ensuring that only authorized users can access and

interact with the system. This includes implementing JWT (JSON Web Tokens) for secure session management.

4. **Attendance Reporting and Analytics:** Teachers require real-time access to attendance reports and analytics, allowing them to monitor and evaluate attendance patterns. The system should provide comprehensive dashboards and the ability to export data in various formats.

5. **Notifications and Alerts:** Automated notifications and alerts are needed to inform students and teachers of attendance statuses, upcoming deadlines, and any discrepancies that need attention.

Requirement elicitation involved of own attendance record as a class monitor, workshops, and observations. Detailed interviews with mentors, friend and students provided insights into their specific needs and challenges. Observing current attendance tracking processes helped identify inefficiencies and areas for improvement.

We meticulously documented both functional and non-functional requirements. Functional requirements included user authentication, geolocation-based check-in, unique QR card functionality, real-time attendance tracking and reporting, and notification systems. Non-functional requirements addressed performance (response time, scalability), usability (user interface design, accessibility), security (data encryption, access control), and reliability.

Use case analysis provided a clear understanding of user interactions with the system. We created use case diagrams to visually represent these interactions and provided detailed descriptions of each use case, outlining the steps involved, preconditions, postconditions, and exceptions.

Requirement validation ensured accuracy and alignment with user needs. Review sessions with teachers and students validated the gathered requirements, and prototyping provided visual representations of the system for early feedback. A requirement traceability matrix was created to track all requirements throughout the development lifecycle.

In summary, the Planning and Requirement Analysis phase established a solid foundation for the E-Attendance application by clearly defining the project scope, identifying and analyzing user requirements, and establishing a detailed project plan. Through thorough stakeholder engagement and meticulous requirement documentation, the

project team is well-prepared to proceed with the design and development phases, ensuring the final system meets the needs and expectations of teachers and students. This phase also highlighted potential risks and developed strategies to mitigate them, ensuring a smooth development process and successful project outcomes.

3.2 Design

3.2.1 Introduction

In this project, we will go through several sections to develop the application. The sections include drawing a use case diagram to identify the requirements of the application, designing a database using an ERD (Entity-Relationship Diagram) to represent the data structure for the application, Let's discuss each section in detail.

3.2.2 Use Case Diagram

The Use Case Diagram for the E-Attendance application tracking System illustrates interactions between actors (users) and the system, depicting functionalities provided by the system for different user roles: students, teachers, and administrators.
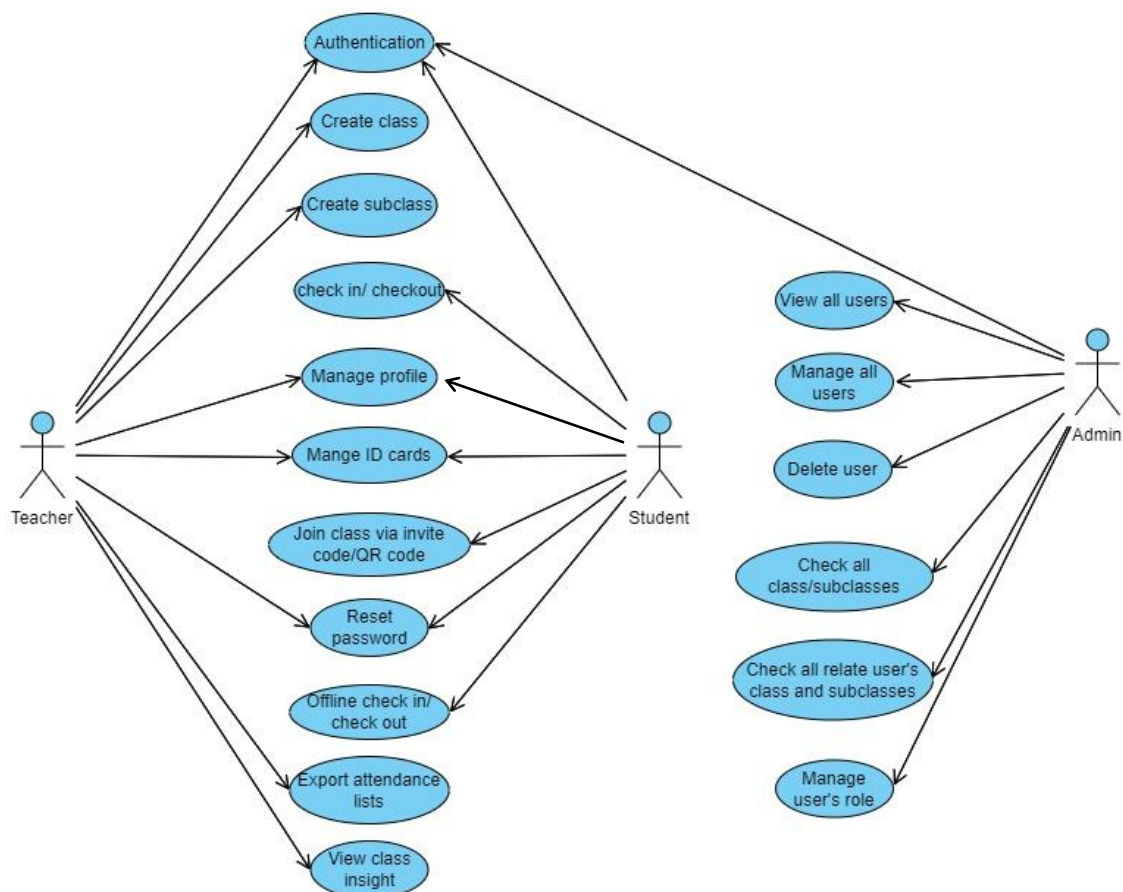
Figure 1 Use Case Diagram

3.2.3 MongoDB Entity-Relationship Diagram

In the previous discussion on designing the database, two different types of database design were mentioned. The first step is to design the database using an Entity-Relationship Diagram (ERD) to easily manage and understand the data's fields and relationships. Once the ERD is complete, it is then converted into a node tree or JSON tree format, which is used in MongoDB database to store the data. This conversion allows for efficient and seamless data storage and retrieval, as well as easy scalability and flexibility in the database design. Overall, this two-step approach to database design ensures that the database is well structured and optimized for efficient data management and retrieval.
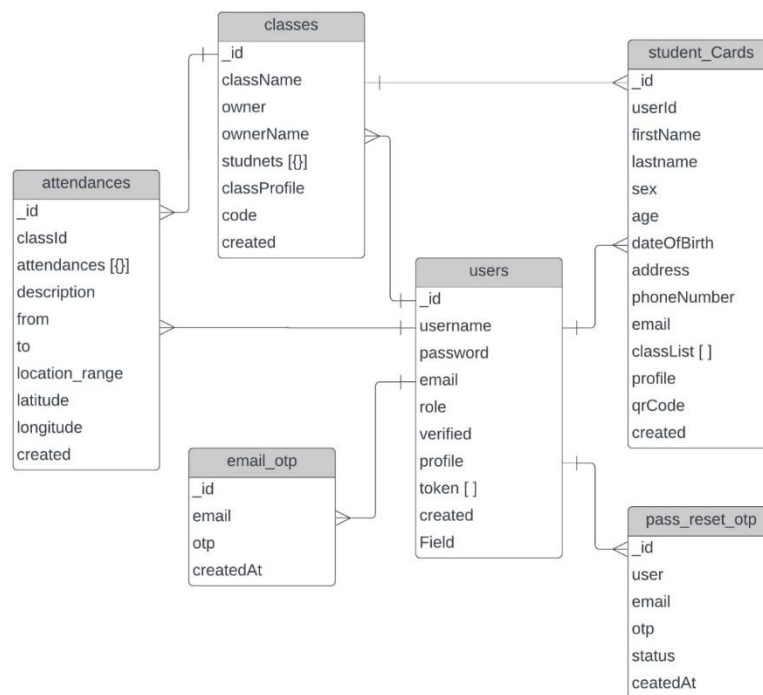
Figure 2 Entity-Relationship Diagram

3.3 Implementation

3.3.1 Implement Technology for Use

This section outlines the tools and technologies used in the development and implementation of the E-Attendance Tracking System:

1. **Mobile Application Development:**
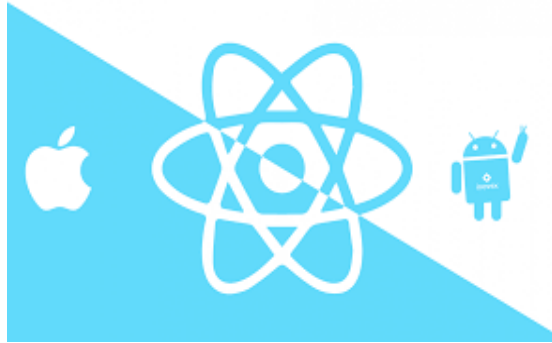
-   **Mobile App Development:**
    -   Developed using React Native
    -   A popular framework for building native applications for iOS and Android from a single codebase
    -   Chosen for its efficiency
    -   Provides a seamless user experience across platforms

2. **Backend Infrastructure:**
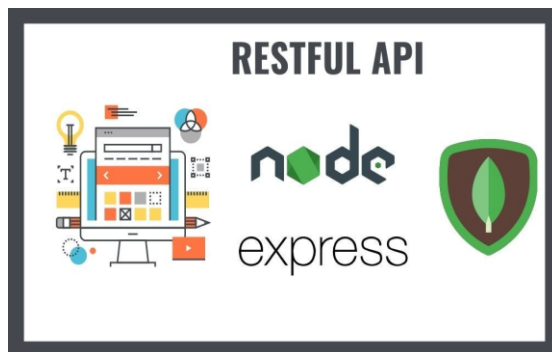
-   **Backend Development:**
    -   Developed using Node.js
    -   Utilized the Express.js framework

        Provides a robust and scalable server-side environment
-   **Data Storage:**
    -   Used MongoDB, a NoSQL database
    -   Chosen for its flexibility and scalability
    -   Capable of handling large volumes of data

3. Web-based Dashboard:

      The admin dashboard was developed using React.js for front-end development, providing a dynamic and responsive user interface. Node.js and Express.js were used for the backend services of the dashboard.

4. Deployment:

- **Backend Services:**
  - Hosted on Render.com
  - Chosen for its simplicity and effective support for modern web applications
- **Web Frontend:**
  - Hosted on Vercel

Known for its performance and ease of use in deploying React applications

3.3.2 Using React Native Expo

      For building this app, the development process for the E-Attendance application using React Native Expo involves several stages, including setup, development This document outlines each stage, detailing the steps and best practices to ensure the successful creation of a robust, user-friendly mobile application that meets the needs of teachers and students.

1. Project Setup

Environment Setup:

- **Node.js and npm:** Ensure that Node.js and npm (Node Package Manager) are installed on your development machine. These tools are essential for managing dependencies and running the development server.
- **Expo CLI:** Install Expo CLI globally using npm. Expo simplifies the development process by providing a managed workflow for React Native applications.

```
yarn global add expo-cli
```

Creating a New Project:

- Use Expo CLI to create a new project. Choose a template that best fits the project requirements (e.g., a blank template).

```
expo init E-Attendance
cd E-Attendance
```

Project Structure:

- Organize the project directory with folders for components, screens, assets, and utilities. This structure helps maintain a clean and scalable codebase.

```
E-Attendance/
├── assets/
├── components/
├── screens/
├── utils/
├── App.js
├── app.json
└── package.json
```

2. Development

Core Libraries and Dependencies:

- Install essential libraries for navigation, state management, and other functionalities.

```
npm install @react-navigation/native @react-navigation/stack
npm install @react-native-async-storage/async-storage
npm install axios
npm install expo-location
npm install expo-camera
npm install react-native-qrcode-scanner
```

```
npm install react-native-maps
```

Connecting Back End :

- **Install Dependencies**

First, ensure you have the `react-native-dotenv` package installed to handle environment variables.

```
yarn add react-native-dotenv
```

- **Create the `.env` File**

In the root directory of your project, create a `.env` file. Add your API URL and any other necessary environment variables to this file. For example:

```
API_URL=https://api.example.com
API_KEY=your_api_key_here
```

- Configure Babel

Update your `babel.config.js` to include the `react-native-dotenv` plugin so it can read the environment variables from the `.env` file.

```javascript
javascript
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module.exports = function(api) {
  api.cache(true);
  return {
    presets: ['babel-preset-expo'],
    plugins: [
      ['module:react-native-dotenv']
    ]
  };
};
```

- Access Environment Variables in Your Code

You can now import and use these environment variables in your React Native components.
For example:

```javascript
javascript
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import React, { useEffect, useState } from 'react';
import { View, Text, ActivityIndicator } from 'react-native';
import { API_URL, API_KEY } from 'react-native-dotenv';

const fetchData = async () => {
  try {
    const response = await fetch(`${API_URL}/endpoint`, {
```

```
      headers: {
        'Authorization': `Bearer ${API_KEY}`
      }
    });
    const data = await response.json();
    return data;
  } catch (error) {
    console.error('Error fetching data:', error);
    return null;
  }
};

const App = () => {
  const [data, setData] = useState(null);
  const [loading, setLoading] = useState(true);

  useEffect(() => {
    (async () => {
      const result = await fetchData();
      setData(result);
      setLoading(false);
    })();
  }, []);

  if (loading) {
    return <ActivityIndicator />;
  }

  return (
    <View>
      <Text>Data from API:</Text>
      <Text>{JSON.stringify(data, null, 2)}</Text>
    </View>
  );
};

export default App;
```

- Add `.env` to `.gitignore`

To ensure that sensitive information is not committed to your version control system, add the `.env` file to your `.gitignore` file:

`.env`

3.4 Feature

3.4.1 Check-In with Location Range and Time Check-Out

The e-attendance application offers robust check-in functionalities using geolocation technology to ensure accurate attendance tracking. Users can check in within predefined location ranges and are automatically checked out based on specified time parameters.

Implementation Details:

- **Geofencing:** Define geographical boundaries for each class or event location where attendance needs to be recorded.

  - **Latitude & Longitude :** the device real time update
  - **Event Triggers:** Trigger check-in or check-out events based on user entry or exit from geofenced areas.

- **Time-Based Check-Out:**

  - **Objective:** Automatically log users out after a specified duration to prevent attendance overestimation.
  - **Steps:**
    - **Timer Implementation:** Implement background timers or alarms to track user presence within geofenced areas.
    - **Data Handling:** Record attendance data at check-out time triggers to maintain accuracy.
    - **User Notifications:** Notify users of impending check-outs to prevent unintended absences.

- **Automatic Check-In:** When users enter the designated geofenced area, their attendance is automatically recorded.

- **Time-Based Check-Out:** Users are checked out automatically after a specified duration to prevent overestimation of attendance.

3.4.2 QR Code Check-In and Check-Out

Feature Description: Users can check in and out by scanning unique QR codes generated by the application, offering a quick and contactless attendance solution.

Development Details:

- **QR Code Generation:**
  - **Objective:** Generate unique QR codes tied to user profiles for attendance verification.
  - **Steps:**
    - **Dynamic QR Code Generation:** Use QR code generation libraries (e.g., ZXing for Java/Kotlin, Core Image for Swift) to create codes dynamically.

- **Data Encoding:** Encode user-specific data (e.g., user ID) into QR codes to uniquely identify users.
- **Security Measures:** Implement encryption or tokenization to prevent unauthorized code generation or duplication.

- **QR Code Scanning:**
  - **Objective:** Enable teachers or administrators to scan QR codes with their devices to record attendance.
  - **Steps:**
    - **Camera Integration:** Utilize device cameras and scanning libraries to capture and decode QR codes.
    - **Offline Functionality:** Store scanned data locally when offline and sync with servers upon reconnection.
    - **Validation:** Validate scanned data against backend records to confirm attendance and prevent fraud.

3.4.3 Generating Attendance Reports in Excel Format

Feature Description: The application generates comprehensive attendance reports in Excel format, allowing teachers and administrators to export and share attendance data easily.

Development Details:

- **Report Generation:**
  - **Objective:** Create detailed attendance reports.
  - **Steps:**
    - **Data Aggregation:** Collect attendance data from the database.
    - **Report Formatting:** Format data into Excel-compatible structure using libraries like Apache POI (Java), EPPlus (C#), or Pandas (Python).

- **Export Functionality:**
  - **Objective:** Enable users to export and share reports.
  - **Steps:**
    - **Download Options:** Provide options to download reports directly from the application.

- **Security and Compliance:**

- **Objective:** Ensure secure handling of attendance data.
- **Steps:**
    - **Data Encryption:** Encrypt report data during generation and transmission.
    - **Access Control:** Implement access controls to restrict report generation and sharing to authorized users.
    - **Audit Trail:** Log report generation and access activities for accountability.

CHAPTER 4
ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

In this section, we analyze the key features and functionalities of the e-attendance application, highlighting the implementation process, outcomes, and user impact. The analysis encompasses the effectiveness of each feature in enhancing attendance tracking, user engagement, and administrative efficiency.

4.1 Check-In with Location Range and Time Check-Out

Implementation Overview: The implementation of geolocation-based check-in and time-based check-out functionalities aimed to automate attendance recording while ensuring accuracy and reliability. Geofencing technology was integrated to define virtual perimeters around class locations, allowing automatic check-in upon user entry into these designated areas. Time-based check-out mechanisms complemented geofencing by automatically logging users out after a specified period, preventing attendance overestimation.

Results:

- **Accuracy:** Geofencing significantly improved attendance accuracy by precisely capturing user presence within predefined boundaries.
- **Automation:** Reduced manual effort for both users and administrators, enhancing operational efficiency.
- **User Acceptance:** Initial feedback indicated positive user acceptance due to seamless check-in/out processes and real-time attendance updates.

4.2 QR Code Check-In and Check-Out

Implementation Overview: QR code functionalities were implemented to provide users with a convenient and contactless method for attendance verification. Unique QR codes were dynamically generated for each user and scanned by teachers or administrators using their mobile devices to record attendance. Offline functionality was crucial, allowing QR codes to be scanned and attendance data stored locally, syncing with servers upon internet reconnection.

Results:

- **Efficiency:** QR code scanning significantly expedited attendance processes, especially during peak times such as class beginnings and breaks.
- **Accessibility:** Users appreciated the ease of scanning QR codes from their mobile devices, eliminating the need for manual attendance sheets.
- **Security:** Implemented measures ensured QR code integrity and prevented unauthorized access or duplication.

4.3 User Card Generation for QR Code

Implementation Overview: Digital user cards containing QR codes were generated to enhance user convenience in attendance verification. These cards were accessible via user profiles within the application, allowing users to display or print them for physical verification purposes if required. Security measures included encryption to safeguard user data and prevent tampering.

Results:

- **User Convenience:** Simplified attendance verification through readily accessible digital user cards.
- **Adoption Rate:** High adoption rate among users, who found digital cards practical for both digital and physical attendance checks.
- **Administrative Ease:** Facilitated administrative tasks related to user identification and attendance monitoring.

4.4 Class Sharing with QR Code and Invite Number

Implementation Overview: Teachers or administrators could create classes within the application and share them with participants using QR codes or invitation numbers. This feature streamlined enrollment processes by allowing participants to join classes effortlessly through digital invitations.

Results:

- **Enrollment Efficiency:** Participants appreciated the ease of joining classes via QR codes or invitation numbers, reducing administrative workload.
- **Access Control:** Enhanced security and control over class enrollments, ensuring only invited participants joined specific classes.

- **Scalability:** Supported scalable enrollment processes, accommodating both small and large educational or organizational settings.
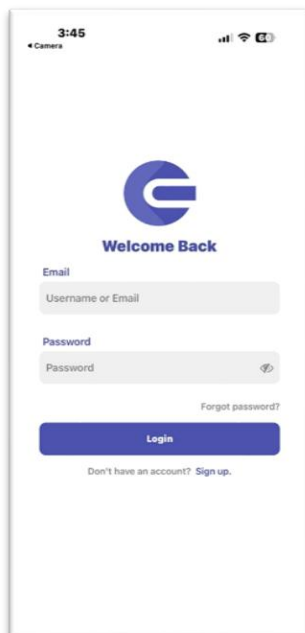
4.5 Class Creation and Joining

Implementation Overview: Participants could discover and join classes through invitations or QR codes provided by teachers or administrators. A user-friendly dashboard provided visibility into enrolled classes, schedules, and attendance requirements.

Results:

- **User Engagement:** Improved participant engagement through simplified class discovery and enrollment processes.
- **Transparency:** Clear visibility into class details and attendance expectations, enhancing participant satisfaction.
- **Administrative Oversight:** Streamlined administrative tasks related to class management and attendance tracking.

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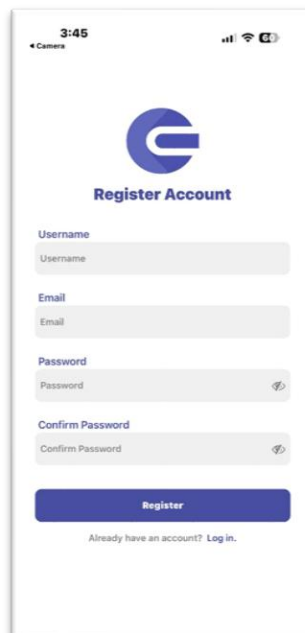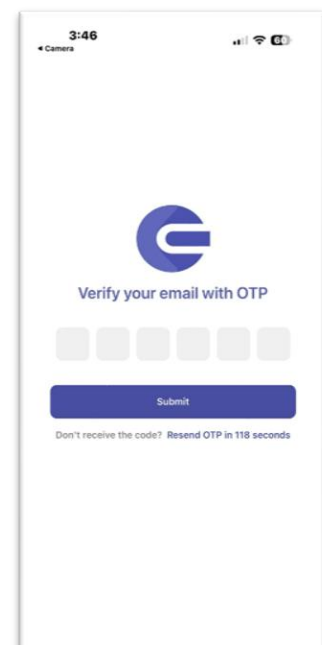
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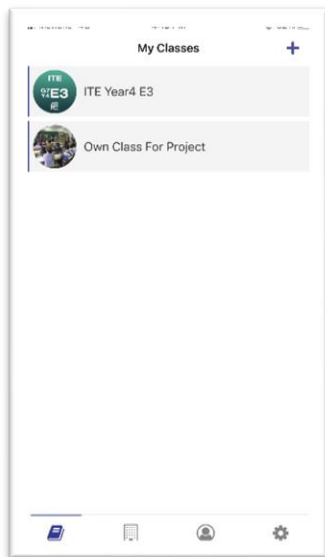
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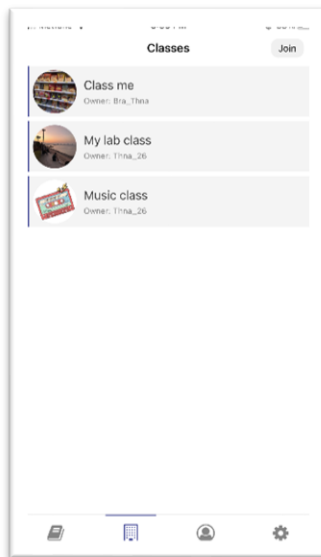
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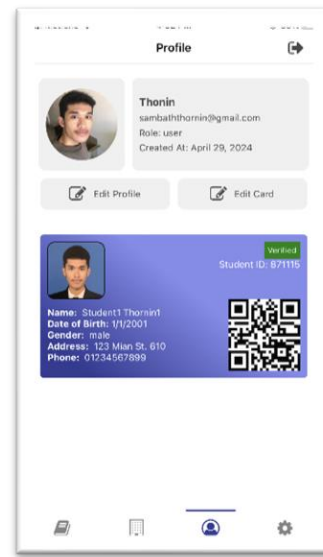
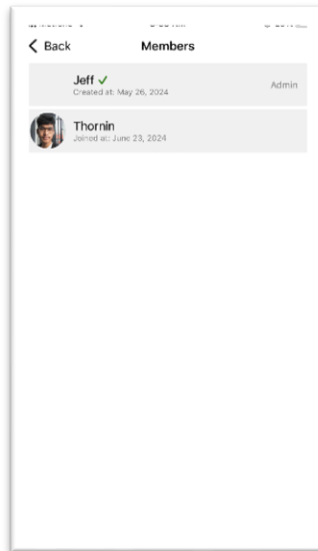Profile And Card Screen
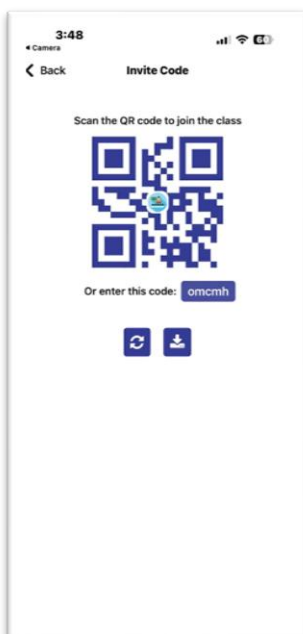
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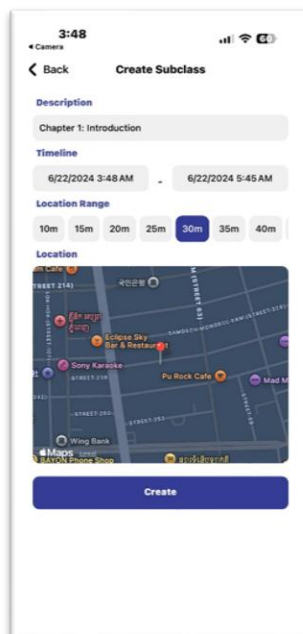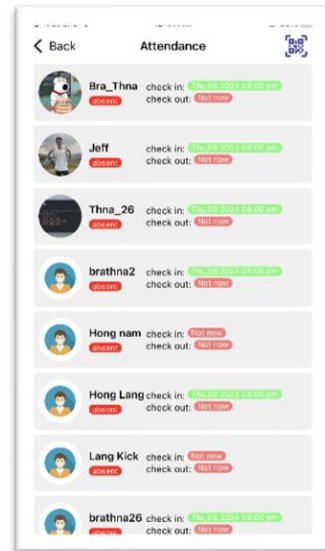

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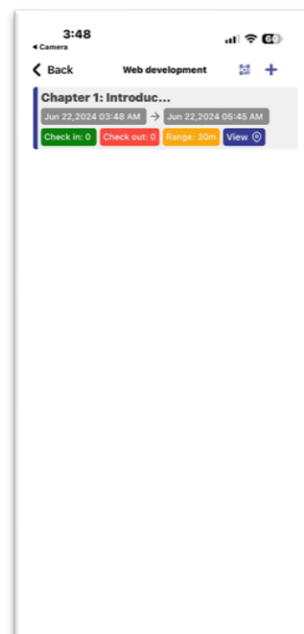
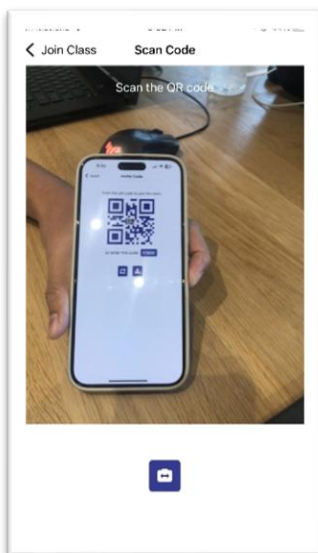
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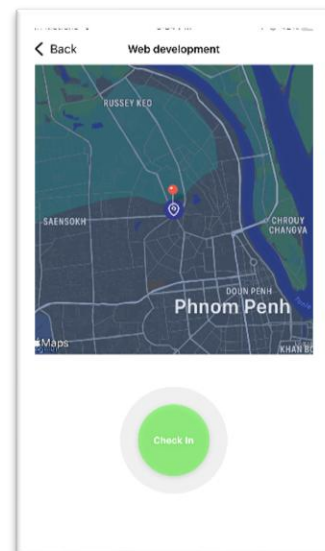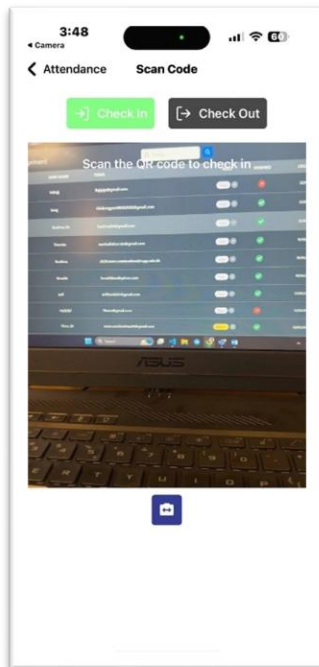Create Class

View Member

Attendance View

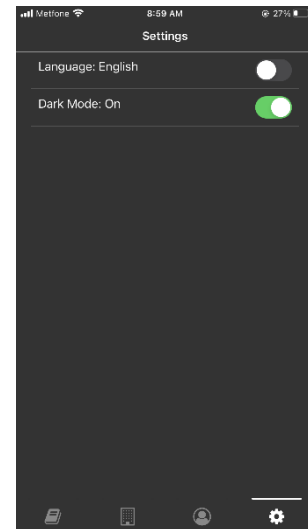QR Scan to join class
or by invite code

List of Join class
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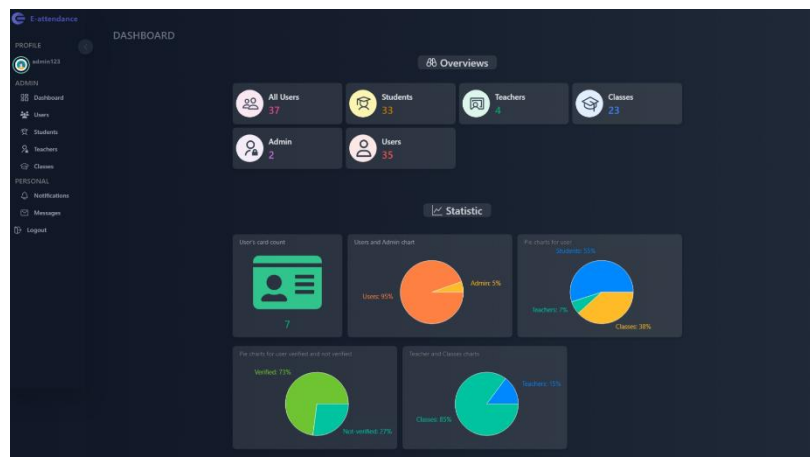Location Check-in
/ Check Out

QR Scan Offline
Check in /Check out

View Class Location

Preference Screen

Admin dashboard

CHAPTER 5

DISCUSSION

The objective of developing the E-attendance application is to modernize the traditional check-in method used in educational institutions. This report discusses and reviews the features and capabilities of three existing attendance applications—Attendance Radar, Education Horizons, and MyAT—in comparison to our newly developed E-attendance application.

Features and Comparative Analysis

The check-in and check-out process in Attendance Radar relies on a teacher using a reader for each session, making it dependent on the teacher's presence and manual input. Similarly, Education Horizons and MyAT require teachers to mark attendance manually, which involves significant effort and reliance on teacher intervention. In contrast, the E-attendance application innovatively allows students to mark their own attendance easily, thereby reducing dependency on teachers and streamlining the process.

When it comes to the creation of classes and subjects, Attendance Radar supports this feature, enabling customization for different educational settings. However, Education Horizons and MyAT do not offer this capability, potentially limiting their flexibility in diverse teaching environments. Our E-attendance application includes the ability to create classes and subjects, enhancing its adaptability and usefulness across various educational contexts.

User access in Attendance Radar is designed for both teachers and students, providing dual functionality. In contrast, Education Horizons and MyAT are limited to teachers, which could restrict student engagement and participation. The E-attendance application is accessible to both teachers and students, fostering a more inclusive and interactive platform.

Regarding reporting capabilities, Attendance Radar does not offer this feature, which may hinder tracking and analysis. Education Horizons and MyAT, however, include reporting features that facilitate data-driven insights and monitoring. Our E-attendance

application is equipped with robust reporting tools, ensuring comprehensive data management and analysis for improved decision-making.

Advantages of E-Attendance

The E-attendance application stands out due to several key advantages. Firstly, it empowers students to mark their attendance independently, promoting accountability and reducing the administrative workload on teachers. Secondly, by supporting the creation of classes and subjects, it adapts to various educational settings and requirements, offering greater flexibility. Thirdly, its functionality is accessible to both teachers and students, encouraging active participation and engagement from all users. Lastly, the application's advanced reporting capabilities provide valuable insights and analytics, aiding in efficient attendance management and strategic planning.

CHAPTER 6
CONCLUSION

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The E-attendance application represents a significant advancement over traditional attendance methods and the three reviewed applications—Attendance Radar, Education Horizons, and MyAT. By enabling students to mark their own attendance, providing customization for creating classes and subjects, ensuring inclusive user access, and offering comprehensive reporting tools, the E-attendance application stands out as a superior solution for modern educational institutions. It enhances efficiency, fosters engagement, and leverages technology to streamline the attendance process, thus creating a more interactive and effective educational environment.

The innovative approach of allowing students to autonomously check in and out not only promotes individual accountability but also significantly reduces the administrative burden on teachers, allowing them to focus more on instructional duties. The application's flexibility in supporting the creation of various classes and subjects makes it adaptable to diverse educational settings, from primary schools to higher education institutions. Furthermore, its inclusive design ensures that both teachers and students can actively participate in the attendance process, promoting a collaborative and transparent educational environment.

The robust reporting tools integrated into the E-attendance application provide valuable insights and analytics, aiding educational institutions in tracking attendance patterns, identifying trends, and making informed decisions. These capabilities are crucial for maintaining high standards of academic oversight and ensuring compliance with institutional policies and regulations. The application is also designed to be user-friendly, requiring only a few clicks for students to check in when within a predefined location range, and it includes QR code functionality for quick and efficient attendance marking. Teachers can display the QR code, and students simply scan it to register their attendance, ensuring a seamless and quick process.

6.2 Future Work

To further enhance the functionality and reach of the E-attendance application, several future developments are planned:

Payment Gateway for Subscription: Implementing a payment gateway will facilitate subscription-based access to the application. This feature will allow educational institutions to seamlessly manage their subscription payments, making it easier to access and utilize the application's full range of features. The integration of a secure payment system will streamline financial transactions and offer flexible subscription plans, catering to the varying needs and budgets of different institutions.

Integration with Other Systems: To ensure seamless operation and data flow, integrating the E-attendance application with other existing educational management systems and platforms is essential. This will enable a unified system where attendance data can be synchronized with other administrative and academic functions, enhancing overall efficiency and user experience. Such integrations could include learning management systems (LMS), student information systems (SIS), and other digital tools used in educational settings, ensuring a cohesive and streamlined ecosystem.

Biometric Authentication: Adding biometric authentication will increase the accuracy and security of the attendance marking process. Features such as fingerprint or facial recognition will ensure that the attendance records are reliable and tamper-proof, providing an added layer of security and accountability. This technological enhancement will address potential issues of false attendance reporting and ensure that each student's presence is accurately recorded, thus maintaining the integrity of attendance data.

Marketing and Expansion: To maximize the application's impact, a robust marketing strategy will be developed to promote the E-attendance application to a wider audience. This will include targeting educational institutions globally, participating in educational technology conferences, and utilizing digital marketing channels to reach potential users. Expansion efforts will also focus on adapting the application to meet the specific needs of different educational systems and cultures. By establishing strategic partnerships with educational organizations and influencers, the application can gain greater visibility and credibility in the market.

Enhanced User Experience: The E-attendance application will continue to prioritize ease of use. Enhancements such as reducing the number of clicks required for students to check in, ensuring functionality within a predefined location range, and the use of QR codes for quick attendance marking will be refined. Teachers can display a QR code, which students can scan to register their attendance, ensuring a seamless and efficient process.

Continuous Improvement and User Feedback: Ongoing improvements based on user feedback will be essential to ensure that the E-attendance application remains relevant and effective. Regular updates and feature enhancements will address the evolving needs of users and incorporate the latest technological advancements. Establishing a feedback loop with users will help in identifying pain points and opportunities for improvement, thus fostering a user-centric development approach.

By incorporating these future enhancements, the E-attendance application aims to not only maintain its competitive edge but also continually improve and adapt to the evolving needs of educational institutions worldwide. The commitment to innovation and excellence will ensure that the E-attendance application remains a leading solution in the educational technology landscape, offering unparalleled benefits to its users.

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