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Implementation Document

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document aims to describe how the implementation and integration testing took place. Implementation is the last step of the CLup application development cycle.

Testing, instead, means check that the critical parts of the application works in a correct way, as described in the DD document.

The code and the releases can be find on the official CLup repository hosted on GitHub, reachable at this link:

https://github.com/PiroX4256/SE2-Piemonti-Pirovano-Sonnino.

1.2 Definitions, Acronyms, Abbreviations

1.2.1 Definitions

1.2.2 Acronyms

- **DD**: Design Document
- RASD: Requirements Analysis and Specification Document
- S2B: Software To Be
- **DTO**: Data Transfer Object, represents a link between the user input and a Java Object.

1.2.3 Abbreviations

1.3 Revision history

1.3.1 References

- JavaScript: https://www.javascript.com
- Java: https://www.java.com/it
- Spring Framework: https://spring.io
- Spring Security: https://spring.io/projects/spring-security

• Spring Social: https://projects.spring.io/spring-social

• Vue.js: https://vuejs.org

• **jQuery:** https://jquery.com

• QRcode.js: https://jquery.com

• Semantic UI: https://semantic-ui.com

• Leaflet.js https://leafletjs.com

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2 Development

2.1 Implemented Functionalities

With respect to the RASD and DD documents, we decided to implement the following functions:

- Sign Up
- ASAP: As Soon As Possible
- Hand out tickets on spot

For more details regarding the specific functionalities, you are invited to read the RASD document, which contains a very detailed description of them.

We chooses to implement these functionalities in order to simulate a Module 1 product purchase. In fact, we remind that the application is divided into three modules; the first one is also called MVP, and contains the basic functionalities of CLup, the second one contains the $Book\ a\ Visit$ feature and the last one includes the custom deploy on organization's servers.

In a real-world scenario, the most used module would be of course the first one (due to its simplicity), so that we decided to focus on it.

2.2 Adopted Development Frameworks

As we said in our DD, the application should follow a four-tier architecture, with a fully REST interface and a lot of client scripting. Finally, we decided to adopt the Model-View-Controller pattern, which is one of the most used in distributed applications.

In the following pages you will find a list of adopted frameworks and technologies in order to accomplish to this requirements.

2.2.1 Programming languages

For sake of standards and application speed we decided to use the Java[™]Programming Language, which is one of the most used languages in web and distributed applications.

Of course, there are some pros and cons about using this type of language:

• Pros:

- + Speed: of course, since it is a compiled language, Java permits to have very good performances on these elaborations;
- + Standard: as shown in figure 1, Java is the *De Facto standard* in enterprise web development and represents a very good solution for portable applications;
- + Stability: Java is a mature language that has immensely evolved over the years. Hence it's more stable and predictable.
- + Object-Oriented: The object-oriented nature of Java allows developers to create modular programs and write reusable codes. This saves lots of efforts and time, improving the productivity of the development process.
- + Well-documented

• Cons:

- High verbosity: with respect to other programming languages (such as Python), Java contains a more verbose and less-readable syntax.
- High memory consumption: since Java Programs run on top of Java Virtual Machine, it consumes more memory.

For the client-side scripting, we decided to adopt JavaScriptTM for the web app, and Flutter with DartTM language for the mobile app.

JavaScript is a text-based programming language used both on the clientside and server-side that allows to make web pages interactive. Where HTML and CSS are languages that give structure and style to web pages, JavaScript gives web pages interactive elements that engage a user.

Flutter, instead, is an open-source UI software development kit created by Google. It is mostly used to develop applications for Android and iOS.

The comparison of top programming languages between 2018 and 2019

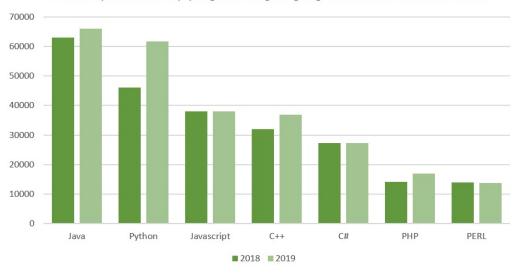


Figure 1: Web Programming languages usage (2018 vs 2019)



Figure 2: Client-side technologies

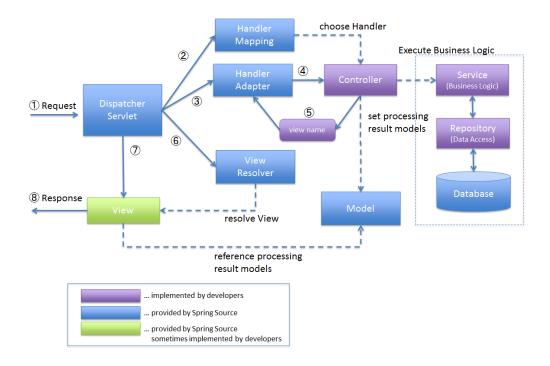


Figure 3: Spring Framework architecture

2.3 Java Frameworks

2.3.1 Spring

In order to accomplish the S2B requirements, we decided to adopt the Spring development framework.

Spring is an open source framework, used for RESTful Java application development. It's built on top of the Java Enterprise Edition (JEE) and represents an efficient and modern alternative to the classic Enterprise Java Bean (EJB) model.

Of course, using a framework means works on a solid base, which is well tested and documented. In fact, Spring contains a proper paradigm in order to build web services on its API.

As shown in figure 3, the architecture of Spring is very simple and easy-to-use.

In fact, it is composed by:

• **Dispatcher Servlet:** its job is to route all the incoming requests to the

correct Spring controller, which is properly mapped with an appropriate annotation. This is done through the severals components of Spring, which are HandlerMapping, HandlerAdapter and ViewResorver.

- Controller: the controller acts as an interface between the user and the services. It catches the requests coming from the dispatcher and makes actions relying on what user passed to it.
- Model: it contains the application logic about the transfer objects (also called DTO) which maps a user input (which is encoded in JSON format) and a Java object. The DTOs can also be used in the opposite direction (server to client), so they are encoded in JSON format and then sent to the client.
- Services: they act as an intermediate between the entities (database objects) and the controller, containing some useful methods in order to manipulate data sent by controllers.
- Repositories: they are interfaces that contains the query methods in order to fetch data from database. They are managed from Spring engine and it suffices to specify what to retrieve in order to get a response object from the DBMS.
- Entities: they represent database objects. They are declared with @Entity annotation, which maps the object to a database table (or set of them). Inside an entity object it is possible to specify constraints and foreign references through proper annotations.

2.3.2 Spring Data JPA

Spring Data JPA, part of the larger Spring Data family, permits to easily implement JPA based repositories. This module deals with enhanced support for JPA based data access layers. It makes it easier to build Spring-powered applications that use data access technologies.

Spring Data JPA aims to significantly improve the implementation of data access layers by reducing the effort to the amount that's actually needed.

In fact, through services and repositories, interfacing with the database becomes very simple. Useless to say that, furthermore, the security of the queries from SQL injection is high, because it is totally managed by Spring.

2.3.3 Spring Security

Spring Security is a plugin of the Spring Mvc suite, which manages the application security.

In fact, it is role-based and permits, through several annotations, to grant access to controller only to authorized people.

In CLup, Spring Security is also the responsible for the REST authentication, which is made through a pattern called JWT (Json Web Token).

Practically, it is an open standard (RFC 7519) that defines a compact and self-contained way for securely transmitting information between parties as a JSON object. In our case, there is an exchange of a token which authorizes each client request, so the client needs to attach it to request's headers each time it calls the server.

2.3.4 Spring Social

Spring Social is another plugin of the Spring family which permits the user authentication through several identity providers (IdPs).

For sake of simplicity, we decided to start from the Facebook one, which is one of the most used social network nowadays. Once called, Facebook servers authenticate the user and return back to the CLup backend its information, which generally consists of name, surname and profile id.

Obviously, the same can be done with the other identity providers, such as Google, Twitter, GitHub, etc.

2.4 Other Frameworks

2.4.1 Vue.js

Vue is a progressive framework for building user interfaces. Unlike other monolithic frameworks, Vue is designed from the ground up to be incrementally adoptable. The core library is focused on the view layer only, and is easy to pick up and integrate with other libraries or existing projects. On the other hand, Vue is also perfectly capable of powering sophisticated Single-Page Applications when used in combination with modern tooling and supporting libraries.

We used Vue.js to manage the client-side rendering of the pages on the web app. In fact, each page calls its scripts, which are responsible for the correct orchestration.

2.4.2 jQuery

jQuery is a fast, small, and feature-rich JavaScript library. It makes things like HTML document traversal and manipulation, event handling, animation, and Ajax much simpler with an easy-to-use API that works across a multitude of browsers. With a combination of versatility and extensibility, jQuery has changed the way that millions of people write JavaScript.

We used jQuery to implement the network layer of the client-side web application. In fact, it is responsible (through the Ajax plugin) of the communication with the server, managing all the requests and response.

2.4.3 QRcode.js

QRCode.js is javascript library for making QRCode. QRCode.js supports Cross-browser with HTML5 Canvas and table tag in DOM. QRCode.js has no dependencies.

We used this library in order to generate a visual representation, through a Quick Response Code (also known as QRCode), of the ticket unique id, in order to easily permit its validation at the supermarket entrance.

2.4.4 Semantic UI

Semantic UI is a graphical framework which is useful to construct good-looking web interfaces with less effort than making them manually.

It includes several css styles, together with a full JavaScript set of functionalities (such as dynamic management of the page).

2.5 API Integrations

2.5.1 Leaflet.js

Leaflet is an open source JavaScript library used to build web mapping applications.

We used it to render the maps containing stores position, in the user and manager private area.

3 Source Code

4 Testing

5 Installation Instructions

6 Effort spent

Student	Time for Implementation Project
Luca Pirovano	50 hours
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