

CAPSTONE 4ZP6B PROJECT

Design Document

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The purpose of building this application is to enhance the social experience and decision-making process for groups of users when it comes to choosing a restaurant. The app aims to increase end-user happiness when making a collective decision in a group by streamlining the decision-making process through an interactive stack-based swipeable UI and a cost optimization function considering user preferences.

Goals:

The goals of building this application are to increase user happiness, reduce decision-making fatigue, and facilitate enjoyable group outings through an interactive application.

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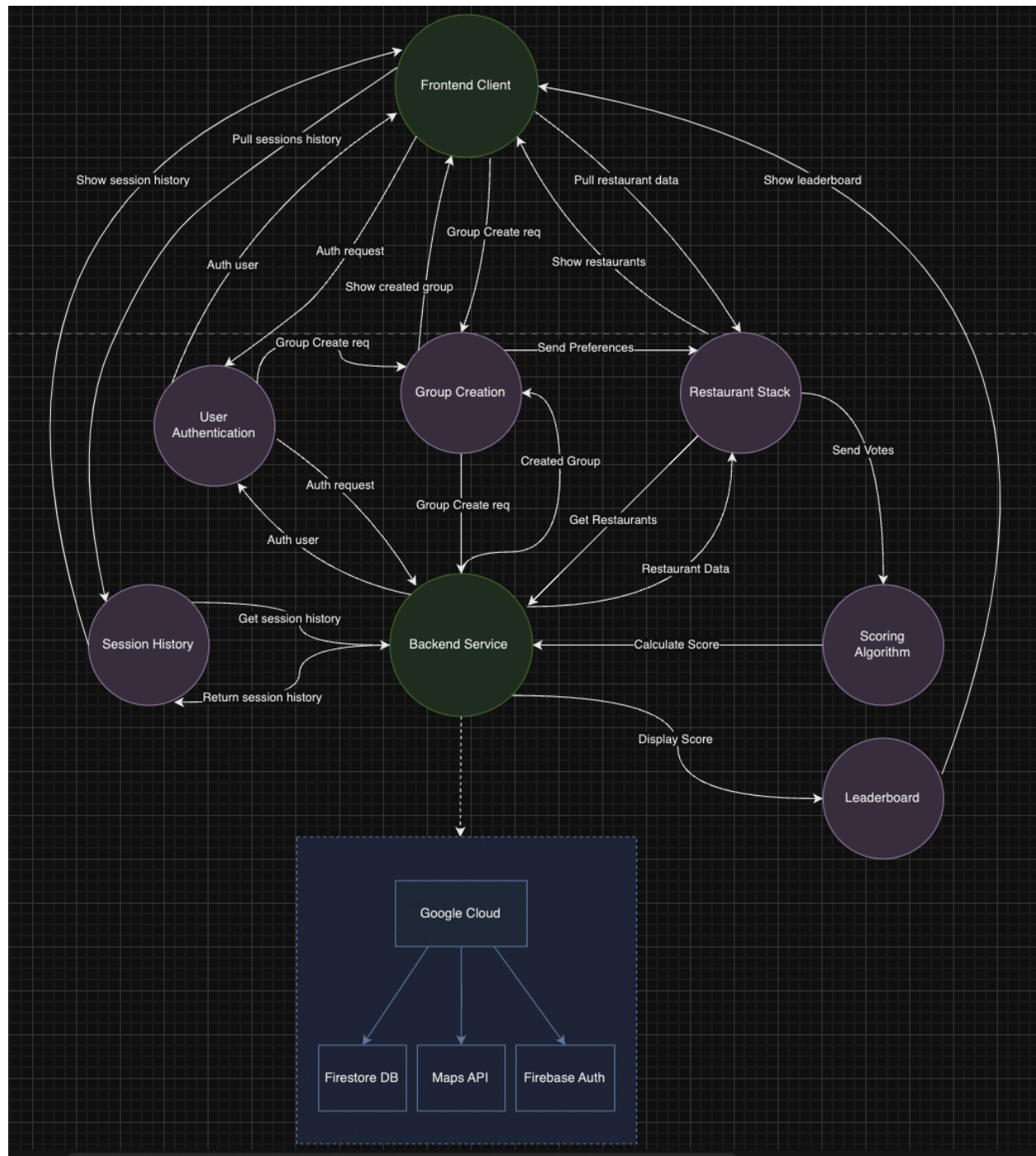
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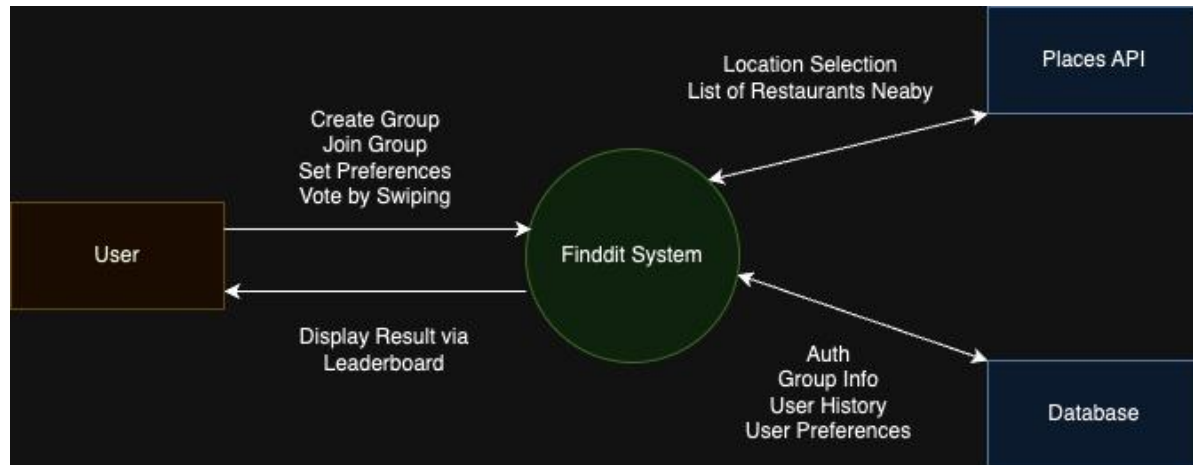
The purpose of this document is to decompose the system into components and provide a Modular Interface Specification for each component in the system. This document will be utilized as a basis for the implementation work to be completed in the upcoming months.

Scope:

The designed system serves the purpose of simplifying the decision-making complexities that often arise when determining a restaurant within a group setting. Its core functionality allows users to create a group effortlessly, add members to it, and facilitate a virtual voting process through a user-friendly swipeable stack interface. The system takes into account individual user preferences and votes, employing an algorithm model to generate a comprehensive leaderboard. This leaderboard, in turn, serves as the conclusive factor in determining the chosen restaurant, with the overarching goal of minimizing user dissatisfaction throughout the decision-making process.

4 Component Diagram & Relationships





5 Component Requirements

| Component | Requirement |
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| User authentication component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FR 1: User profile creation ● NFR - Privacy: Account Management ● FR 1: User registration page |
| Group creation component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FR 2.1: Creating a group ● FR 2.1: setting preferences ● adding users |
| Restaurant stack component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Get restaurant list ● FR 4.1: Display restaurant cards ● FR 4.2: visualize right swipe/left swipe |
| Session history component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FR 6.1 Track session history ● NFR - Accuracy: Store session preferences ● FR 3.3: Display active sessions ● FR 3.1: Enable users to join sessions ● FR 3.2: Store results of inactive and active sessions |
| Leaderboard component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FR 5.1: Display results ● NFR - Reliability: Rank restaurants based on score |
| Scoring algorithm component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FR 7.1: Calculate votes ● FR 7.1: Generate score for all restaurants ● FR 7.1: Rank restaurants based on the score |

6.1 User authentication component

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| Normal Behavior | The user inputs the credentials to the component. Existing User is authenticated and logged in. New user is able to sign up and a new profile is created. User is able to log out and switch profiles. |
| Implementation | Implemented using Firebase Auth API |
| Potential Undesired Behaviour | User login/signup fails. Firebase Authentication not working as expected. Logged in user is logged out before the expected login credential time to live (TTL). |

| API Name | Input | Output | Comments |
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| sendSignupRequest | firstName, lastName, email, iconID | userID | Takes in user information and creates a new user in the database |
| createUserWithEmailAndPassword | FIREBASE_AUTH, email, password | firebaseResponseObject | External API call to firebase to sign up a new user |
| signInWithEmailAndPassword | FIREBASE_AUTH, email, password | firebaseResponseObject | External API call to firebase to sign in a new user |
| signOut | FIREBASE_AUTH, | firebaseResponseObject | External API call to firebase to sign out a user |

6.2 Group creation component

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| Normal Behavior | The component is used by the user to create a group by |
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| | selecting a name, adding desired members and selecting preferences as to get desired responses. |
| Implementation | A react component in the frontend takes in user inputs, creates a group table in the firestore database and sends the inputted data to fetch restaurants using the Nearby Restaurants API. |
| Potential Undesired Behaviour | Group creation fails. Unable to add logged in users to the group. Group does not show selected name or icon. Group preferences do not match the intended preferences. |

| API Name | Input | Output | Comments |
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| createNewGroup | groupName, groupIconID, groupAdminEmail, groupMemberEmails, votingDeadline, isActive, adminPreferences | Response.CODE | API call to create a new Group object in the database. |
| findUserByEmailOr Name | emailOrName,loggedInUser | List< > userID | API call to get logged-in users by name or email. |
| getCardDataFrom Group | groupID | json{} restaurantData | API call to get restaurant data for a particular group ID. |

6.3 Restaurant stack component

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| Normal Behavior | The stack displays the restaurants as cards in a deck along with other restaurant data which is used by the user to make a decision. The stack visualizes the right and left swiping of |
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| | the cards. |
| Implementation | Implemented using a component called 'react-native-deck-swiper' which captures user gestures and processes corresponding actions. |
| Potential Undesired Behaviour | <p>No cards to display.</p> <p>Cards displayed have an incorrect UI.</p> <p>Unable to visualize swipes.</p> <p>Unable to present the restaurant cards.</p> <p>Unable to swipe left or right.</p> <p>Unable to register user actions.</p> |

| API Name | Input | Output | Comments |
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| registerRightSwipe | userID, groupID, restaurantID | Response.CODE | API call to register right swipe on a restaurant card |
| registerLeftSwipe | userID, groupID, restaurantID | Response.CODE | API call to register left swipe on a restaurant card |
| registerUpSwipe | userID, groupID, restaurantID | Response.CODE | API call to register up swipe on card |

6.4 Session history component

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| Normal Behavior | The component stores all the sessions created along with the preferences, members and results of each group. The user can also view any previous session and add users to a session if still active |
| Implementation | Implemented using an API to the Firestore database. |
| Potential Undesired Behaviour | Unable to store or retrieve a previous group from the history. |

| API Name | Input | Output | Comments |
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| getActiveGroupsForUser | userEmail | List<activeGroups | API call to fetch groups for the given user. |
| getInactiveGroupsForUser | userEmail | List<inactiveGroups | API call to fetch previous groups for the given user |
| getCheckedInUsersForGroup | groupID | List<userID | API call to fetch all checked in users for the group. |

6.5 Leaderboard components

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| Normal Behavior | The component displays the restaurants as a ranked list based on the score from the scoring algorithm. |
| Implementation | Implemented using node.js UI frameworks |
| Potential Undesired Behaviour | Unable to display the results. |

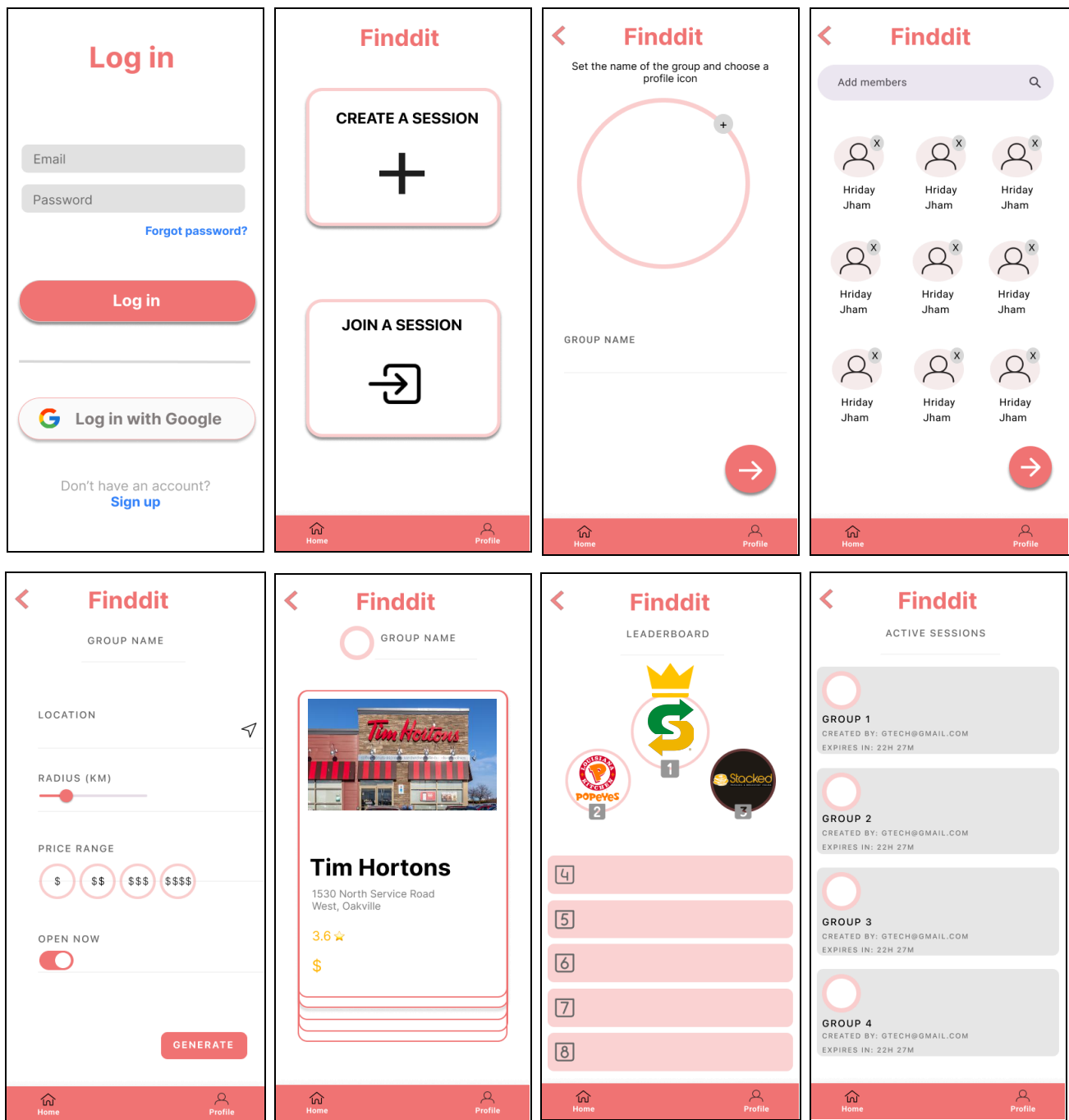
| API Name | Input | Output | Comments |
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| generateLeaderboard | groupID | json{}leaderBoardObject | API call to generate leaderboard based on the restaurant scores after voting has finished |

6.6 Scoring algorithm component

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| Normal Behavior | The component counts the votes from each user of a group and generates a score for each restaurant in the results of the group. A leaderboard then ranks the restaurants based on the corresponding scores. |
| Implementation | Implemented using a cost function-based algorithm that aims at reducing user unhappiness by optimizing restaurants based on how distant they are and the restaurant parameters from the user preferences. |
| Potential Undesired | Failure to rank the restaurants. Miscalculation of restaurant scores. |

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7.1 Figma wireframes



7.2 User interaction

The above wireframes are created in Figma and showcase the user interaction and flow in the app. Initially, the user logs in (or creates an account) and is authenticated successfully. On the next screen, the user can “Create a session” or “Join a session”. Clicking Create session takes the user to the next screen where they can set a name and select an icon for the group. The user is then taken to add users on the following screen. They can search for users and add them. Added users can also be removed by clicking the “X” icon. On the next screen, the user can set group preferences such as selecting the location, radius, and price range, and open now toggle. Then, the swipeable restaurant cards show up and the user can swipe left or right to vote. Once all votes have been collected, the scoring algorithm weighs them and displays the most voted restaurants on the leaderboard screen. The top 3 restaurants are highlighted. There is also a bottom tab navigator for “Home” and “Account”. Navigating to the Home page, the user can see the 2 calls to action create/join session buttons. When the user clicks Join session, they can see the current active group sessions and join them. From the Account page, the user can sign out.

7.3 Design choices

We wanted to achieve a minimal look with our app’s design. We believe this improves the appearance and also the user experience. Our primary color is #F27575 which is a mixture of dark pink and light red that creates a warm hue. To complement this, we went with white as the background color and black/gray as the text colors. For the font, we used a readable and clean style. We imported numerous icons and user components (such as buttons, modals, input fields, and switches) into the front end which enhances the user experience and provides a clear understanding of features.