

RENTAL CAR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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ABSTRACT

The **Car Rental Management System** is designed to automate and streamline the operations of vehicle rental businesses. It simplifies processes such as car reservations, fleet management, payment processing, and customer handling by integrating them into a single centralized platform. The system eliminates manual paperwork, minimizes human error, and enhances the efficiency of both employees and customers.

Developed using **HTML, CSS, MySQL, and Flask**, the system provides a user-friendly interface for managing customers, vehicles, reservations, rentals, and payments. Administrators can efficiently monitor vehicle availability, track rentals, and generate reports, while customers can easily browse cars, make bookings, and complete transactions online.

The database component ensures data consistency, integrity, and security through normalization and the use of SQL concepts such as **joins, views, triggers, and cursors**. Additionally, data control (DCL) and transaction control (TCL) commands are implemented to ensure secure and reliable operations.

By integrating automation and database technologies, this system enhances customer satisfaction, reduces operational costs, and provides real-time insights for better decision-making. It represents a robust and scalable solution for managing modern car rental businesses.

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Problem Statement:(CHAPTER-1)

The existing car rental process in many organizations is largely manual and inefficient, involving handwritten records, phone-based bookings, and disorganized tracking of vehicles, customers, and payments. This traditional method leads to **booking errors, data redundancy, poor tracking, and lack of real-time availability.**

The **Car Rental Management System** is developed to overcome these issues by providing a **centralized, automated database system** that integrates all business operations such as **vehicle management, customer registration, reservation tracking, rental processing, and payment handling**

Problem Description:

1. Manual Record Handling:

Traditional car rental agencies maintain information manually, which increases the risk of data inconsistency and loss.

2. Limited Real-Time Availability:

Vehicle availability status is not updated dynamically, leading to overlapping reservations or unutilized vehicles.

3. Delayed Processing:

Manual verification and billing cause unnecessary delays in confirming bookings and generating invoices.

4. Lack of Integration:

Customer details, vehicle data, and payment records are stored separately, making it difficult to retrieve complete information.

5. Error-Prone Transactions:

Human errors during entry of rental duration, payment amount, or car return dates often cause financial and operational issues.

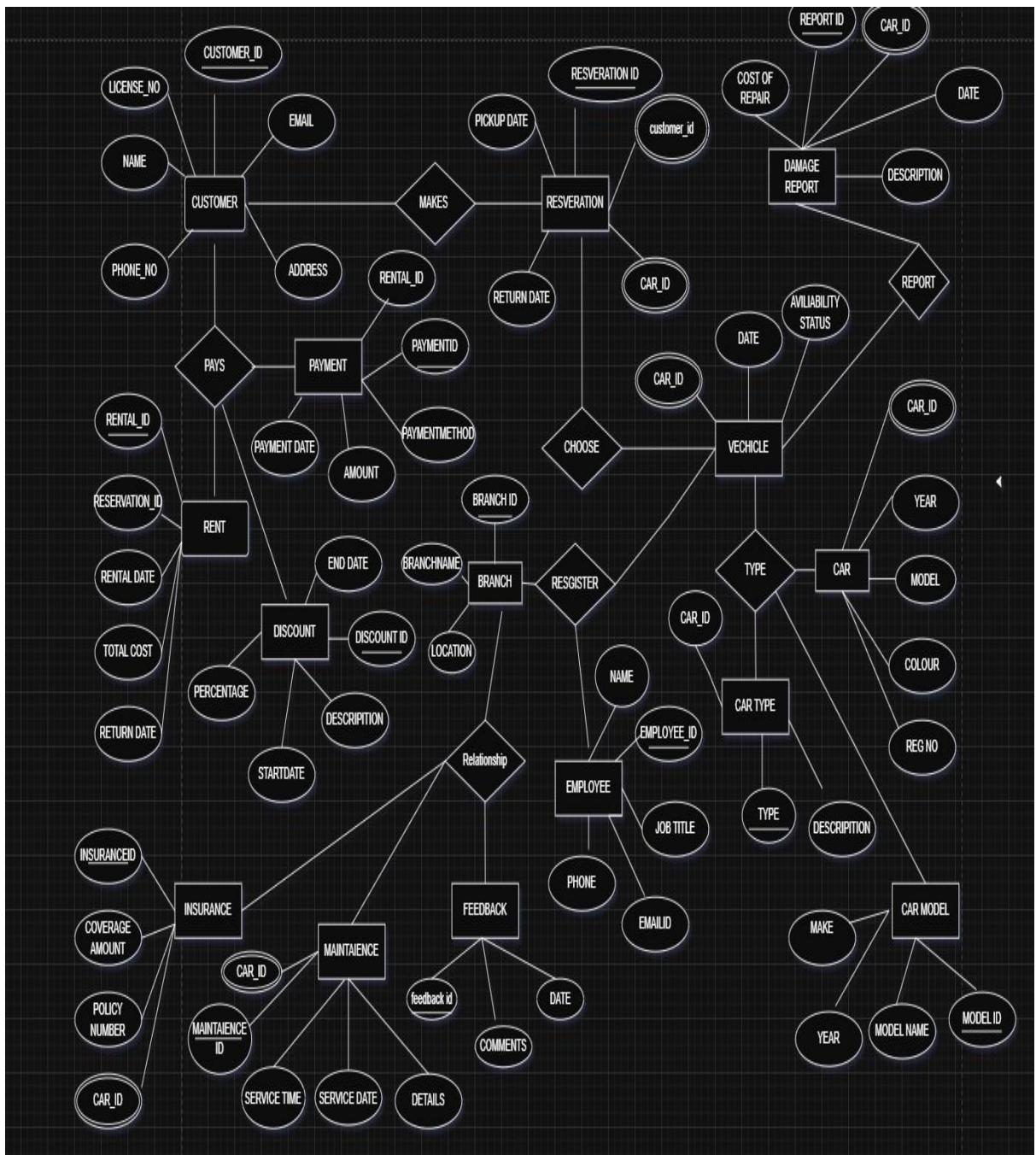
6. Poor Security:

Sensitive information like driver's license numbers and payment data lack proper security and access control.

7. Limited Reporting:

Generating analytical reports for vehicle usage, income, or customer activity requires extensive manual effort.

ER DIAGRAM:



ER DIAGRAM FOR RENTAL CAR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

An Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD) visually represents the relationships between different entities in a system, illustrating how data is structured and interconnected.

Entities:

- Customer
- Car
- Reservation
- Rental
- Payment
- Employee
- Branch
- Car Type
- Car Model
- Insurance
- Damage Report
- Maintenance
- Discount
- Feedback

Relationships Overview:

In this Car Rental Management System, the relationship between **Customer** and **Reservation** is **One-to-Many**, meaning one customer can make multiple reservations, but each reservation belongs to one specific customer.

The **Car** to **Reservation** relationship is also **One-to-Many**, as one car can be reserved multiple times, but each reservation corresponds to one particular car.

The **Reservation** to **Rental** relationship is **One-to-One**, since each reservation results in one unique rental record once the car is handed over.

The **Rental** to **Payment** relationship follows a **One-to-Many** pattern — one rental can have multiple payments (for example, partial or installment payments), but each payment belongs to one rental transaction.

The **Employee** to **Rental** relationship is **One-to-Many**, as one employee can handle several rental processes, but each rental is managed by only one staff member.

The **Branch** to **Employee** relationship is **One-to-Many**, representing that one branch can have multiple employees, but each employee belongs to a single branch.

The **Car Type** to **Car** relationship is **One-to-Many**, indicating that one type of car (e.g., Sedan, SUV, Hatchback) can include many specific car models.

The **Car** to **Insurance** relationship is **One-to-One**, where each car has exactly one insurance policy linked to it.

The **Car** to **Damage Report** relationship is **One-to-Many**, since a single car may have multiple damage records over time.

The **Car** to **Maintenance** relationship is **One-to-Many**, as one vehicle may undergo multiple maintenance or servicing operations.

The **Discount** to **Reservation** relationship is **One-to-Many**, meaning a single discount offer can apply to multiple reservations.

The **Customer** to **Feedback** relationship is **One-to-Many**, allowing a customer to submit feedback for multiple rentals.

Finally, the **Car** to **Feedback** relationship is also **One-to-Many**, where one car can receive multiple feedback entries from different customers.

Entity Descriptions and Attributes:

1. Customer

Attributes:

- CustomerID: Unique identifier for each customer.
- Name: Full name of the customer.
- Address: Residential address.
- Phone: Contact number.
- Email: Email address.
- LicenseNumber: Driver's license number.

Relationships:

Connected to **Reservation** through the *Makes* relationship and to **Feedback** through the *Provides* relationship.

2. Car

Attributes:

- CarID: Unique identifier for each car.
- Make: Car manufacturer.
- Model: Model name of the car.
- Year: Year of manufacture.
- Color: Color of the car.
- RegistrationNo: Vehicle registration number.
- DailyRate: Daily rental rate.
- Status: Availability status (Available / Rented / Maintenance).

Relationships:

Linked to **Reservation**, **Rental**, **Insurance**, **Maintenance**, **Damage Report**, and **Feedback** through their respective relationships.

3. Reservation

Attributes:

- ReservationID: Unique identifier for each reservation.
- CustomerID: Foreign key referencing Customer.
- CarID: Foreign key referencing Car.
- ReservationDate: Date when the reservation was made.
- PickupDate: Date the car is scheduled for pickup.
- ReturnDate: Expected return date. 9
- Status: Current reservation status (Pending / Confirmed / Completed).

Relationships:

Connected to **Customer** through *Makes*, to **Car** through *Reserves*, and to **Rental** through *Generates* relationship.

4. Rental

Attributes:

- RentalID: Unique identifier for each rental.
- ReservationID: Foreign key referencing Reservation.
- CustomerID: Foreign key referencing Customer.
- CarID: Foreign key referencing Car.
- EmployeeID: Foreign key referencing Employee.
- RentalDate: Date when the car was issued.
- ReturnDate: Actual return date.
- TotalCost: Final rental cost.

Relationships:

Linked to **Reservation** through *Generated From* and to **Payment** through *Has* relationship.

5. Payment

Attributes:

- PaymentID: Unique identifier for each payment.
- RentalID: Foreign key referencing Rental.
- PaymentDate: Date of payment.
- Amount: Amount paid.
- PaymentMethod: Type of payment (Cash, Card, UPI, etc.).

Relationships:

Linked to **Rental** through the *Belongs To* relationship.

6. Employee

Attributes:

- EmployeeID: Unique identifier for each employee.
- Name: Employee name.
- JobTitle: Role in the company.
- Phone: Contact number.
- Email: Email address.
- BranchID: Foreign key referencing Branch.¹⁰

Relationships:

Connected to **Rental** through *Handles* and to **Branch** through *Works At* relationship.

7. Branch

Attributes:

- BranchID: Unique branch identifier.
- BranchName: Name of the branch.
- Address: Full address.
- City: City location.
- State: State name.
- ContactNumber: Branch phone number.

Relationships:

Connected to **Employee** through *Employs* relationship.

8. Car Type

Attributes:

- CarTypeID: Unique type identifier.
- Type: Category name (e.g., Sedan, SUV, Hatchback).
- Description: Details about the car type.

Relationships:

Connected to **Car** through *Categorizes* relationship.

9. Car Model

Attributes:

- ModelID: Unique model identifier.
- Make: Manufacturer name.
- ModelName: Name of the model.
- Year: Year of release.

Relationships:

Linked to **Car** through *Defines* relationship.

10. Insurance

Attributes:

- InsuranceID: Unique insurance identifier.
- CarID: Foreign key referencing Car.
- PolicyNumber: Policy number.
- InsuranceType: Type of insurance.
- CoverageAmount: Total coverage amount.

Relationships:

Connected to **Car** through *Covers* relationship.

11. Damage Report

Attributes:

- DamageReportID: Unique identifier for each damage record.
- CarID: Foreign key referencing Car.
- DateReported: Date the damage was reported.
- Description: Description of the issue.
- RepairCost: Estimated or actual cost of repair.

Relationships:

Linked to **Car** through *Reports Damage On* relationship.

12. Maintenance

Attributes:

- MaintenanceID: Unique service identifier.
- CarID: Foreign key referencing Car.
- ServiceDate: Date of maintenance.
- ServiceType: Type of maintenance.
- Details: Service description.
- Cost: Total service cost.

Relationships:

Linked to **Car** through *Maintains* relationship.

13. Discount

Attributes:

- DiscountID: Unique identifier.
- Description: Details about the discount offer.
- DiscountPercentage: Value of the discount.
- StartDate: Validity start date.
- EndDate: Validity end date.

Relationships:

Connected to **Reservation** through *Applied To* relationship.

14. Feedback

Attributes:

- FeedbackID: Unique feedback identifier.
- CustomerID: Foreign key referencing Customer.
- CarID: Foreign key referencing Car.
- Rating: Customer's rating (1–5).
- Comments: Feedback remarks.
- Date: Date feedback was submitted.

Relationships:

Linked to **Customer** through *Provided By* and to **Car** through *For* relationship.

The **Entity–Relationship Diagram (ERD)** for the **Car Rental Management System** illustrates how data is structured and connected across the main modules such as **customers**, **cars**, **reservations**, **rentals**, **payments**, **employees**, and **branches**.

The **Car** entity is central to the system, maintaining complete details about each vehicle including model, registration number, rate, and status. It links with **Reservation**, **Rental**, **Maintenance**, and **Insurance** to manage availability, usage, and safety.

The **Customer** entity handles user information like contact and license details and connects to **Reservation**, **Rental**, and **Feedback** for complete tracking of their rental history. The **Reservation** and **Rental** entities ensure smooth processing from booking to car return, while **Payment** records financial transactions securely.

Employees and **Branches** manage operations across locations, while **Maintenance**, **Damage Report**, and **Insurance** ensure the fleet's reliability. **Discount** and **Feedback** improve customer satisfaction and service quality.

RELATION SCHEMA FOR CAR RENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

CHAPTER 2 :

CUSTOMER TABLE:

- Customer ID
- Customer Name
- Customer Address
- Customer Phone
- Customer Email
- License No

Schema:

Customer (Customer ID, Customer Name, Customer Address, Customer Phone, Customer Email, License No)

CAR TABLE :

- Car ID
- Car Model
- Car Type
- Car Year
- Car Color
- Registration No
- Daily Rate
- Status

Schema:

Car (Car ID, Car Model, Car Type, Car Year, Car Color, Registration No, Daily Rate, Status)

RESERVATION TABLE:

- Reservation ID
- Customer ID
- Car ID
- Reservation Date
- Pickup Date
- Return Date
- Status

Schema:

Reservation (Reservation ID, Customer ID, Car ID, Reservation Date, Pickup Date, Return Date, Status)

RENTAL TABLE:

- Rental ID
- Reservation ID
- Customer ID
- Car ID
- Employee ID
- Rental Date
- Return Date
- Total Cost

Schema:

Rental (Rental ID, Reservation ID, Customer ID, Car ID, Employee ID, Rental Date, Return Date, Total Cost)

PAYMENT TABLE:

- Payment ID
- Rental ID
- Payment Date
- Amount
- Payment Method

Schema:

Payment (Payment ID, Rental ID, Payment Date, Amount, Payment Method)

EMPLOYEE TABLE:

- Employee ID
- Employee Name
- Job Title
- Phone No
- Email
- Branch ID
-

Schema:

Employee (Employee ID, Employee Name, Job Title, Phone No, Email, Branch ID)

BRANCH TABLE:

- Branch ID
- Branch Name
- Branch Address
- City
- State

Schema:

Branch (Branch ID, Branch Name, Branch Address, City, State)

CAR TYPE TABLE:

- CarType ID
- Type
- Description

Schema:

CarType (CarType ID, Type, Description)

INSURANCE TABLE:

- Insurance ID
- Car ID
- Policy Number
- Insurance Type
- Coverage Amount

Schema:

Insurance (Insurance ID, Car ID, Policy Number, Insurance Type,
Coverage Amount)

MAINTENANCE TABLE:

- Maintenance ID
- Car ID
- Service Date
- Service Type
- Details
- Cost

Schema:

Maintenance (Maintenance ID, Car ID, Service Date, Service Type, Details, Cost)

DISCOUNT TABLE:

- Discount ID
- Description
- Discount Percentage
- Start Date
- End Date

Schema:

Discount (Discount ID, Description, Discount Percentage, Start Date, End Date)

FEEDBACK TABLE:

- Feedback ID
- Customer ID
- Car ID
- Rating
- Comments
- Date

Schema:

Feedback (Feedback ID, Customer ID, Car ID, Rating, Comments, Date)

COMPLEX QUERIES BASED ON THE CONCEPTS OF CONSTRAINTS, SETS, JOINS, VIEWS, TRIGGERS AND CURSORS:

CREATION OF THE SQL DATABASE USING SQL COMMANDS

Creating a Database:

1. Customer
2. Car
3. Reservation
4. Rental
5. Payment
6. Employee
7. Branch
8. Car Type
9. Car Model
10. Insurance
11. Damage Report
12. Maintenance
13. Vehicle

CREATION OF THE SQL DATABASE USING SQL COMMANDS

1. CUSTOMER:

```
1 •   CREATE DATABASE CarRentalSystem;
2     USE CarRentalSystem;
3
4     CREATE TABLE Customer (
5         Customer_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
6         License_No VARCHAR(50),
7         Name VARCHAR(100),
8         Phone_No VARCHAR(20),
9         Email VARCHAR(100),
10        Address VARCHAR(200)
11    );
--
```

2.CAR:

```
64 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Car (
65             Car_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
66             Year INT,
67             Model VARCHAR(100),
68             Colour VARCHAR(50),
69             Reg_No VARCHAR(50)
70         );
71
```

3. RESERVATION:

```
13 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Reservation (
14             Reservation_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
15             Pickup_Date DATE,
16             Return_Date DATE,
17             Customer_ID INT,
18             Car_ID INT
19         );
20
```

4. RENTAL

```
21 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Rent (
22     Rental_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
23     Reservation_ID INT,
24     Rental_Date DATE,
25     Total_Cost DECIMAL(10,2),
26     Return_Date DATE
27 );
```

5. PAYMENT

```
--  
29 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Payment (
30     PaymentID INT PRIMARY KEY,
31     Rental_ID INT,
32     PaymentDate DATE,
33     Amount DECIMAL(10,2),
34     PaymentMethod VARCHAR(50)
35 );
```

6. EMPLOYEE

```
51 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Employee (
52             Employee_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
53             Name VARCHAR(100),
54             Job_Title VARCHAR(50),
55             Phone VARCHAR(20),
56             EmailID VARCHAR(100)
57 );
58
```

7. BRANCH

```
45 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Branch (
46             Branch_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
47             BranchName VARCHAR(100),
48             Location VARCHAR(200)
49 );
```

8. CAR TYPE

```
71  
72 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE CarType (  
73     Car_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,  
74     Type VARCHAR(50),  
75     Description VARCHAR(200)  
76 );  
77
```

9. CAR MODEL

```
78 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE CarModel (  
79     Model_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,  
80     Make VARCHAR(100),  
81     Year INT,  
82     Model_Name VARCHAR(100)  
83 );
```

10. INSURANCE

```
93 • CREATE TABLE Insurance (
94     InsuranceID INT PRIMARY KEY,
95     Car_ID INT,
96     Coverage_Amount DECIMAL(10,2),
97     Policy_Number VARCHAR(100)
98 );
99
```

11. DAMAGE REPORT

```
85 • CREATE TABLE DamageReport (
86     Report_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
87     Car_ID INT,
88     Date DATE,
89     Description VARCHAR(200),
90     Cost_of_Repair DECIMAL(10,2)
91 );
92
```

12.MAINTENANCE

```
100 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Maintenance (
101             Maintenance_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
102             Car_ID INT,
103             Service_Time TIME,
104             Service_Date DATE,
105             Details VARCHAR(200)
106         );
107
```

13.VEHICLE

```
-- 
59 • Ⓜ CREATE TABLE Vehicle (
60             Car_ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
61             Availability_Status VARCHAR(50)
62         );
63
```

COMMENTS ON SQL CONCEPTS USED (CHAPTER-3)

1. SET OPERATIONS:

Set operations are used to combine the results of two or more SELECT statements into a single result set. They help retrieve related data from multiple tables while removing or including duplicates. These operations simplify data comparison and integration across entities.

2. JOINS:

Joins are used to connect rows from two or more tables based on a common field. They enable retrieval of related information stored in different tables. This concept is essential for displaying combined data such as customer, order, and product details together.

3. COMPLEX QUERIES:

Complex queries involve multiple SQL clauses such as joins, subqueries, and aggregate functions. They are used to analyze, filter, and summarize data from multiple tables. These queries help generate meaningful business insights from large datasets.

4. CURSOR:

A cursor is a database object that allows row-by-row processing of query results. It is used in stored procedures to handle data sequentially. Cursors are useful when each record needs to be processed individually in complex transactions.

5. VIEW:

A view is a virtual table that displays data derived from one or more tables. It simplifies complex queries and enhances data security by restricting direct access to base tables. Views help users focus only on relevant information.

6. TRIGGER:

A trigger is an automated process that executes ²⁵ in response to specific database events such as INSERT, UPDATE, or DELETE. It maintains data integrity and ensures that dependent

records are updated automatically. Triggers improve consistency and automation in databases.

1.SET OPERATIONS:

```
1      -- SET OPERATION (UNION): Combine Rented Cars and Recently Maintained Cars (Oil Change)
2 • ( 
3      -- Part 1: Cars currently Rented
4      SELECT
5          C.Reg_No,
6          C.Model,
7          'Currently Rented' AS Status_Reason
8      FROM
9          Car C
10     JOIN
11        Vehicle V ON C.Car_ID = V.Car_ID
12     WHERE
13        V.Availability_Status = 'Rented'
14   )
15 UNION
16 ( 
17      -- Part 2: Cars that had an 'Oil change' maintenance
18      SELECT
19          C.Reg_No,
20          C.Model,
21          'Recent Oil Change' AS Status_Reason
22      FROM
23          Car C
24      JOIN
25        Maintenance M ON C.Car_ID = M.Car_ID
26      WHERE
27        M.Details = 'Oil change'
28   )
29 ORDER BY
30     Reg_No;
```

2.JOINS:

```
1      -- JOINS: Retrieve Rental Details with associated Customer, Car, and Car Type Information
2 • SELECT
3      R.Rental_ID,
4      CUST.Name AS Customer_Name,
5      CAR.Reg_No AS Car_Registration,
6      CT.Type AS Car_Type,
7      R.Rental_Date,
8      R.Total_Cost
9  FROM
10    Rent R
11  INNER JOIN -- Retrieves matching records from both tables
12    Reservation RS ON R.Reservation_ID = RS.Reservation_ID
13  INNER JOIN
14    Customer CUST ON RS.Customer_ID = CUST.Customer_ID
15  INNER JOIN
16    Car CAR ON RS.Car_ID = CAR.Car_ID
17  LEFT JOIN -- Includes all cars, even if no type is found (in case of data inconsistency)
18    CarType CT ON CAR.Car_ID = CT.Car_ID
19  WHERE
20    R.Total_Cost > 5000.00
21  ORDER BY
22    R.Total_Cost DESC;
```

LEFT JOIN:

```
1      -- Goal: List every single car (Reg_No, Model) in the fleet and show the
2      -- details of its most recent rental, if one exists. Cars with no rental history
3      -- will still be listed with NULL values for rental details.
4
5 •  SELECT
6      C.Reg_No AS Car_Registration,
7      C.Model,
8      MAX(R.Rental_Date) AS Last_Rental_Date,
9      SUM(P.Amount) AS Lifetime_Revenue,
10     COUNT(R.Rental_ID) AS Total_Rentals
11    FROM
12    Car C
13   LEFT JOIN -- Crucial: Keeps ALL cars from the LEFT table (Car)
14     Reservation RS ON C.Car_ID = RS.Car_ID
15   LEFT JOIN
16     Rent R ON RS.Reservation_ID = R.Reservation_ID
17   LEFT JOIN
18     Payment P ON R.Rental_ID = P.Rental_ID
19   GROUP BY
20     C.Reg_No,
21     C.Model
22   ORDER BY
23     Last_Rental_Date DESC, Total_Rentals DESC;
```

3.COMPLEX QUERIES:

```
1 -- COMPLEX QUERY: Customer Payment Summary
2 -- Lists all customers, their total lifetime rental revenue, and the payment method
3 • SELECT
4     C.Customer_ID,
5     C.Name AS Customer_Name,
6     C.Email_ AS Customer_Email,
7     SUM(P.Amount) AS Total_Paid_Amount,
8     (
9         -- Subquery to find the Payment Method for the most recent payment
10        SELECT
11            PaymentMethod
12            FROM
13            Payment P_Sub
14            JOIN
15                Rent R_Sub ON P_Sub.Rental_ID = R_Sub.Rental_ID
16            ORDER BY
17                P_Sub.PaymentDate DESC
18            LIMIT 1
19        ) AS Most_Recent_Payment_Method
20    FROM
21        Customer C
22    JOIN
23        Reservation RS ON C.Customer_ID = RS.Customer_ID
24    JOIN
25        Rent R ON RS.Reservation_ID = R.Reservation_ID
26    JOIN
27        Payment P ON R.Rental_ID = P.Rental_ID
28    GROUP BY
29        C.Customer_ID, C.Name, C.Email_
30    ORDER BY
31        Total_Paid_Amount DESC;
```

```
1 -- Goal: Find the details (Rental ID, Amount, Date) for the top 3 highest-priced rentals
2 -- that each customer has ever made.
3
4 • WITH RankedRentals AS (
5     -- 1. Combine customer, rent, and payment details
6     SELECT
7         C.Customer_ID,
8         C.Name AS Customer_Name,
9         P.Amount,
10        P.PaymentDate,
11        R.Rental_ID,
12        -- Use ROW_NUMBER() to rank payments within each customer partition, ordered by a
13        ROW_NUMBER() OVER (
14            PARTITION BY C.Customer_ID
15            ORDER BY P.Amount DESC, P.PaymentDate DESC
16        ) AS Rental_Rank
17    FROM
18        Customer C
19    JOIN Reservation RS ON C.Customer_ID = RS.Customer_ID
20    JOIN Rent R ON RS.Reservation_ID = R.Reservation_ID
21    JOIN Payment P ON R.Rental_ID = P.Rental_ID
22)
23 -- 2. Select only the top 3 ranked rentals for each customer
24 SELECT
25     Customer_Name,
26     Rental_Rank,
27     Rental_ID,
28     Amount,
29     PaymentDate
30     FROM
```

4.CURSOR:

```
1   -- CURSOR (within a Stored Procedure): Calculate Total Damage Repair Cost
2   DELIMITER //|
3
4 •  CREATE PROCEDURE Calculate_Total_Repair_Cost (OUT total_cost_output DECIMAL(10,2))
5   BEGIN
6       -- 1. Declare variables
7       DECLARE done INT DEFAULT FALSE;
8       DECLARE repair_cost DECIMAL(10,2);
9       DECLARE current_total DECIMAL(10,2) DEFAULT 0.00;
10
11      -- 2. Declare the cursor
12      DECLARE cur_damage_reports CURSOR FOR
13          SELECT Cost_of_Repair
14          FROM DamageReport;
15
16      -- 3. Declare continue handler for NOT FOUND (loop exit condition)
17      DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR NOT FOUND SET done = TRUE;
18
19      -- 4. Open the cursor
20      OPEN cur_damage_reports;
21
22      -- 5. Start the loop
23      read_loop: LOOP
24          -- Fetch the next row
25          FETCH cur_damage_reports INTO repair_cost;
26
27          -- Exit loop if done
28          IF done THEN
29              LEAVE read_loop;
30          END IF;
31
```

5.VIEW:

```
1      -- View 1: Creates a view for aggregating monthly revenue and rental counts.
2 • CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW Monthly_Revenue_Report AS
3     SELECT
4         YEAR(Rental_Date) AS Rental_Year,
5         MONTH(Rental_Date) AS Rental_Month,
6         COUNT(Rental_ID) AS Total_Rentals,
7         SUM(Total_Cost) AS Total_Revenue
8     FROM
9         Rent
10    GROUP BY
11        Rental_Year, Rental_Month
12    ORDER BY
13        Rental_Year, Rental_Month;
14
15    -- Use the View:
16 • SELECT * FROM Monthly_Revenue_Report;
```

```
1      -- View 2: Creates a view combining car info, damage reports, and maintenance records.
2 • CREATE OR REPLACE VIEW Vehicle_Health_Report AS
3     SELECT
4         C.Car_ID,
5         C.Reg_No,
6         C.Model,
7         V.Availability_Status,
8         T.Type AS Car_Type,
9         (SELECT MAX(Service_Date) FROM Maintenance M WHERE M.Car_ID = C.Car_ID) AS Last_Maintenance,
10        (SELECT COUNT(Report_ID) FROM DamageReport D WHERE D.Car_ID = C.Car_ID) AS Total_Damage_Reports,
11        (SELECT SUM(Cost_of_Repair) FROM DamageReport D WHERE D.Car_ID = C.Car_ID) AS Total_Repair_Cost
12     FROM
13         Car C
14     JOIN
15         Vehicle V ON C.Car_ID = V.Car_ID
16     JOIN
17         CarType T ON C.Car_ID = T.Car_ID;
18
19    -- Use the View:
20 • SELECT * FROM Vehicle_Health_Report
21    WHERE Total_Damage_Reports > 0
22    ORDER BY Last_Maintenance DESC;
```

6.TRIGGER:

```
1
2    -- CAR & VEHICLE SETUP (4 Cars)
3 •  INSERT INTO Car (Car_ID, Reg_No, Model) VALUES (201, 'BMW-707', 'BMW X3');      -- 1
4 •  INSERT INTO Vehicle (Car_ID, Availability_Status) VALUES (201, 'Available');     -- 2
5 •  INSERT INTO Car (Car_ID, Reg_No, Model) VALUES (202, 'AUD-505', 'Audi A4');        -- 3
6 •  INSERT INTO Vehicle (Car_ID, Availability_Status) VALUES (202, 'Available');     -- 4
7 •  INSERT INTO Car (Car_ID, Reg_No, Model) VALUES (203, 'MER-909', 'Mercedes C');     -- 5
8 •  INSERT INTO Vehicle (Car_ID, Availability_Status) VALUES (203, 'Available');     -- 6
9 •  INSERT INTO Car (Car_ID, Reg_No, Model) VALUES (209, 'ALTO-121', 'Maruti Alto');    -- 7
10 • INSERT INTO Vehicle (Car_ID, Availability_Status) VALUES (209, 'Available');      -- 8
11
12    -- CUSTOMER SETUP (2 Customers)
13 •  INSERT INTO Customer (Customer_ID, Name) VALUES (10, 'Alice');                  -- 9
14 •  INSERT INTO Customer (Customer_ID, Name) VALUES (11, 'Bob');                     -- 10
15
16
17    -- TEST CASE 1: Rent Car 209 (Original Scenario)
18 •  INSERT INTO Reservation (Reservation_ID, Pickup_Date, Return_Date, Customer_ID, Car_ID)
19   VALUES (1001, '2026-02-01', '2026-02-05', 10, 209);
20 •  INSERT INTO Rent (Rental_ID, Reservation_ID, Rental_Date, Total_Cost, Return_Date)
21   VALUES (3001, 1001, '2026-02-01', 4000.00, NULL); -- Status for 209 becomes 'Rented'
22
23    -- TEST CASE 2: Rent Car 201
24 •  INSERT INTO Reservation (Reservation_ID, Pickup_Date, Return_Date, Customer_ID, Car_ID)
25   VALUES (1002, '2026-02-10', '2026-02-15', 10, 201);
26 •  INSERT INTO Rent (Rental_ID, Reservation_ID, Rental_Date, Total_Cost, Return_Date)
27   VALUES (3002, 1002, '2026-02-10', 8500.00, NULL); -- Status for 201 becomes 'Rented'
28
29    -- TEST CASE 3: Rent Car 203
30 •  INSERT INTO Reservation (Reservation_ID, Pickup_Date, Return_Date, Customer_ID, Car_ID)
31   VALUES (1003, '2026-02-20', '2026-02-28', 11, 203);


---


32 •  INSERT INTO Rent (Rental_ID, Reservation_ID, Rental_Date, Total_Cost, Return_Date)
33   VALUES (3003, 1003, '2026-02-20', 10000.00, NULL); -- Status for 203 becomes 'Rented'
34
35
36 •  SELECT
37   C.Car_ID,
38   C.Reg_No,
39   V.Availability_Status AS Final_Status
40 FROM
41   Vehicle V
42 JOIN
43   Car C ON V.Car_ID = C.Car_ID
44 WHERE
45   V.Car_ID IN (201, 202, 203, 209)
46 ORDER BY
47   C.Car_ID;
```

NORMALIZATION: (CHAPTER-4)

In database design, **Normalization** is the process of organizing data in a structured manner to **eliminate redundancy** and **maintain data integrity**. It divides large, complex tables into smaller, related ones while ensuring logical data relationships and reducing anomalies in insert, update, and delete operations.

Each **Normal Form (NF)**—from **First Normal Form (1NF)** to **Boyce–Codd Normal Form (BCNF)**—addresses specific dependency issues to ensure that the database is both efficient and consistent.

In this project, the **Reservation** and **Rental** tables required normalization up to **BCNF** due to partial and transitive dependencies in the initial design.

Originally, some attributes such as TotalCost and ReturnDate were partially dependent on non-primary fields like Car_ID or Customer_ID instead of the composite key (Reservation_ID, Car_ID).

To satisfy **BCNF**, these attributes were separated into distinct tables—**Reservation**, **Rental**, and **Payment**—ensuring that every determinant is a **candidate key** and all non-key attributes depend only on the primary key.

The remaining tables—**Customer**, **Car**, **Employee**, **Branch**, and **Insurance**—were already in **Third Normal Form (3NF)** because:

- All non-key attributes depend entirely on the primary key.
- No transitive dependencies exist.
- Each table stores unique, non-repetitive information.

1. FIRST NORMAL FORM (1NF):

A table is in **First Normal Form (1NF)** when all its attributes contain **only atomic (indivisible) values**, and each record is unique. It eliminates repeating groups or arrays, ensuring that every field holds only one value. This step organizes data into a simple, tabular structure for easy retrieval.

	Customer_ID	License_No	Name	Phone_No	Email_	Address
▶	1	TN10A1234	Arjun Reddy	9876543210	arjun.reddy@example.com	Chennai, TN
	2	KA05B5678	Priya Sharma	9123456780	priya.sharma@example.com	Bengaluru, KA
	3	DL08C9012	Rahul Mehta	9988776655	rahul.mehta@example.com	New Delhi
	4	MH12D3456	Sneha Nair	9876501234	sneha.nair@example.com	Mumbai, MH
	5	UP14E7890	Vikram Singh	9123009876	vikram.singh@example.com	Lucknow, UP
	6	WB16F1122	Ananya Roy	9812345678	ananya.roy@example.com	Kolkata, WB
	7	GJ18G3344	Kunal Patel	9823456789	kunal.patel@example.com	Ahmedabad, GJ
	8	TN20H5566	Divya Krishnan	9789012345	divya.krishnan@example.com	Coimbatore, TN
	9	KL22J7788	Aravind Menon	9890123456	aravind.menon@example.com	Kochi, KL
	10	RJ24K9900	Pooja Agarwal	9765432109	pooja.agarwal@example.com	Jaipur, RJ
*	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

2. SECOND NORMAL FORM (2NF):

A table is in **Second Normal Form (2NF)** if it is already in 1NF and all **non-key attributes depend entirely on the primary key**. It removes **partial dependency**, meaning that no column should depend on only part of a composite key. This reduces redundancy and improves data consistency.

	Car_ID	Year	Model	Colour	Reg_No
▶	201	2020	Swift	Red	TN01AB1234
	202	2021	Creta	White	KA02CD5678
	203	2019	Innova	Black	DL03EF9012
	204	2022	Baleno	Blue	MH04GH3456
	205	2021	XUV500	Grey	UP05IJ7890
	206	2020	i20	Silver	WB06KL1122
	207	2022	Seltos	Brown	GJ07MN3344
	208	2018	Ertiga	White	TN08OP5566
	209	2021	Alto	Red	KL09QR7788
◀	210	2023	Thar	Black	RJ10ST9900
◀	NUL	NUL	NUL	NUL	NUL

3. THIRD NORMAL FORM (3NF):

A table is in **Third Normal Form (3NF)** when it is already in 2NF and **no non-key attribute depends on another non-key attribute**. This eliminates **transitive dependency**, ensuring that each non-key field depends only on the primary key. 3NF provides a more stable and efficient database design.

	PaymentID	Rental_ID	PaymentDate	Amount	PaymentMethod
▶	401	301	2025-09-10	5000.00	UPI
	402	302	2025-09-11	4000.00	Credit Card
	403	303	2025-09-12	6000.00	Cash
	404	304	2025-09-13	7000.00	Debit Card
	405	305	2025-09-14	5500.00	Net Banking
	406	306	2025-09-15	4800.00	UPI
	407	307	2025-09-16	6200.00	Credit Card
	408	308	2025-09-17	5300.00	Cash
	409	309	2025-09-18	4900.00	Debit Card
◀	410	310	2025-09-19	5800.00	UPI
◀	NUL	NUL	NUL	NUL	NUL

Implementation of Data Control Language(DCL)

(CHAPTER-5)

DCL:

Data Control Language (DCL) is a crucial component of Structured Query Language (SQL) that deals with the rights, permissions, and access control of data within a database.

While Data Definition Language (DDL) defines the structure of the database and Data Manipulation Language (DML) handles data operations, DCL focuses on who can access and manipulate data.

It plays an essential role in maintaining the security, integrity, and privacy of the information stored in a database.

In multi-user database environments, where many users work with the same data, it becomes necessary to control access levels. DCL ensures that only authorized users can perform specific actions such as reading, modifying, or deleting data

Main Objectives of DCL

- To manage and control user access to the database system.
- To assign or remove privileges for performing operations on database objects.
- To safeguard sensitive or confidential data from unauthorized access.
- To ensure data consistency and prevent malicious or accidental data loss.
- To maintain accountability by defining different access levels for different users.

Main Commands:

CREATE USER

GRANT

REVOKE

FLUSH PRIVILEGES

```

1  -- =====
2  -- ⚡ DCL (DATA CONTROL LANGUAGE)
3  -- For CarRentalSystem Database
4  -- =====
5
6  -- 1️⃣ Use or create your database
7 • CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS CarRentalSystem;
8 • USE CarRentalSystem;
9
10 -- 2️⃣ Create a new user (with password)
11 -- Only the root/admin can run this
12 • CREATE USER IF NOT EXISTS 'employee1'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'emp123';
13
14 -- 3️⃣ Grant SELECT permission on specific tables
15 -- Make sure database name and table names are correct and case-sensitive
16 • GRANT SELECT ON CarRentalSystem.Customer TO 'employee1'@'localhost';
17 • GRANT SELECT ON CarRentalSystem.Car TO 'employee1'@'localhost';
18 • GRANT SELECT ON CarRentalSystem.Reservation TO 'employee1'@'localhost';
19
20 -- 4️⃣ (Optional) Grant full privileges to a manager user
21 • CREATE USER IF NOT EXISTS 'manager1'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'mgr123';
22 • GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON CarRentalSystem.* TO 'manager1'@'localhost';
23
24 -- 5️⃣ Apply the privilege changes
25 • FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
26
27 -- 6️⃣ Check privileges given to each user
28 • SHOW GRANTS FOR 'employee1'@'localhost';
29 • SHOW GRANTS FOR 'manager1'@'localhost';
30
31 -- 7️⃣ Example of revoking privileges
32 • REVOKE SELECT ON CarRentalSystem.Customer FROM 'employee1'@'localhost';
33 • FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
34
35 -- 8️⃣ Delete the user (optional cleanup)
36 -- DROP USER 'employee1'@'localhost';
37 -- DROP USER 'manager1'@'localhost';
38

```

Grants for employee1@localhost

▶ GRANT USAGE ON *.* TO `employee1`@`localhost`;

GRANT SELECT ON `carrentalsystem`.`car` T...

GRANT SELECT ON `carrentalsystem`.`custom...

GRANT SELECT ON `carrentalsystem`.`reserva...

Transaction Control Language(TCL):

TCL:

Transaction Control Language (TCL) is a subset of SQL that deals with the management of transactions within a database.

A transaction is a logical unit of work that consists of one or more SQL statements executed as a single operation. TCL commands ensure that these operations are performed reliably and that the database remains consistent even in case of errors or system failures.

In database systems such as the Online Railway Reservation System, TCL commands are crucial for handling tasks like ticket booking, payment processing, or seat availability updates — where all related actions must either complete successfully together or not occur at all.

Purpose of TCL

- To maintain **data consistency** and **integrity** during multiple database operations.
- To allow users to **confirm** or **undo** changes made during a transaction.
- To ensure that either **all** parts of a transaction succeed or **none** of them are applied.
- To manage and control changes until the user decides to make them permanent.

Main Commands:

- COMMIT
- ROLLBACK
- SAVEPOINT
- SET AUTOCOMMIT

```

1   -- =====
2   -- @ TCL (TRANSACTION CONTROL LANGUAGE)
3   -- For CarRentalSystem Database
4   -- =====
5
6 • USE CarRentalSystem;
7
8   -- Disable auto-commit
9 • SET AUTOCOMMIT = 0;
10
11  --
12  -- Step 0: Create a new Reservation for the demo
13  --
14 • INSERT INTO Reservation (Reservation_ID, Pickup_Date, Return_Date, Customer_ID, Car_ID)
15   VALUES (111, '2025-09-25', '2025-09-30', 1, 210);
16
17  --
18  -- ☑ Transaction 1: Rent a car successfully
19  --
20 START TRANSACTION;
21
22  -- Step 1: Update Vehicle status
23 UPDATE Vehicle
24   SET Availability_Status = 'Rented'
25 WHERE Car_ID = 210;
26
27  -- Step 2: Add rental record using the NEW Reservation_ID
28 • INSERT INTO Rent (Rental_ID, Reservation_ID, Rental_Date, Total_Cost, Return_Date)
29   VALUES (321, 111, '2025-09-25', 8500.00, '2025-09-30');
30
31  -- Step 3: Add payment entry
32
33  -- Step 4: Commit all operations
34 COMMIT;
35
36  --
37  -- ☑ Verify the results
38  --
39 • SELECT '☑ VEHICLE TABLE' AS Table_Name;
40 • SELECT * FROM Vehicle WHERE Car_ID = 210;
41
42  --
43  -- ☑ RENT TABLE AS Table_Name;
44 • SELECT * FROM Rent WHERE Rental_ID = 321;
45
46  --
47  -- ☑ PAYMENT TABLE AS Table_Name;
48 • SELECT * FROM Payment WHERE Rental_ID = 321;
49
50  -- Re-enable auto-commit
51 • SET AUTOCOMMIT = 1;
52

```

CHAPTER 6:

FRONT END:

The Car Rental Management System is designed to simplify and automate vehicle rental operations such as car booking, payment processing, customer management, and fleet tracking.

It integrates a user-friendly web interface with a relational SQL database to ensure seamless data flow between the frontend and backend.

Developed using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for the frontend and Flask (Python) for the backend, the system allows both customers and administrators to perform operations efficiently and securely.

System Architecture and Components:

The project is modular in design, with separate folders and files to organize frontend and backend operations clearly. Below is an overview of the system's key folders and their purposes:

FOLDER/FILE	DESCRIPTION
app.py	The main Flask file that manages routing, connects to the MySQL database, and handles backend logic for car listings, reservations, rentals, and payments
static/	Contains static files such as CSS, JavaScript, and car images that define the website's appearance and interactivity.
templates/	Contains HTML files that serve as the user interface for customers and administrators, dynamically rendered using Flask's Jinja templating engine.
database/	Holds SQL scripts and schema definitions used to create and populate the database tables.

The **app.py** file serves as the **controller**, managing routes for user login, car search, reservation handling, rental processing, and payment confirmation.

It interacts with the database to retrieve and update records, ensuring real-time synchronization between user actions and stored data.

The **static/** folder includes CSS files that maintain a consistent design and layout across all pages, and JavaScript files that enable dynamic features such as date validation, booking confirmation, and live updates without page reloads.

The **templates/** folder stores all the HTML pages that users interact with. Each template uses **Jinja2 syntax** to display data from the backend — for example, showing available cars, customer bookings, and payment summaries dynamically.

Database Design:

The backend uses a **relational SQL database** that organizes retail data into multiple interconnected tables. Each table stores specific information essential for the system's functionality.

TABLE	PURPOSE
Customer	Stores customer details such as name, contact, address, and driver's license number.
Car	Holds information about cars, including model, type, registration number, and availability.
Reservation	Tracks car booking details, including pickup and return dates.
Rental	Records confirmed rentals, including cost, customer, car, and employee details.
payment	Manages all financial transactions related to rentals.
Employee	Contains staff details for those handling rentals and customers
Branch	Stores information about rental branch locations.
Insurance	Tracks insurance policies associated with each car.
Maintenance	Records servicing and maintenance details of each vehicle.
Feedback	Captures customer feedback and ratings.

This structure ensures data consistency, eliminates redundancy, and enables smooth transactions between users, products, and payments.

HTML Template Pages Overview:

The templates in the **templates/** folder form the core of the user interface. They allow users to interact with the system through forms, dashboards, and product pages. Below is an overview of each HTML page and its functionality:

TEMPLATE	DESCRIPTION
index.html	Serves as the homepage displaying featured products and navigation links to other sections.
login.html	Allows users to log in or register. Validates credentials using the backend database.

TEMPLATE	DESCRIPTION
register_list.html	Lets new users create accounts and stores their details in the Customer table.
car.html	Displays all available cars with filters for car type, price, and availability.
rental_details.html	Shows current and past rentals linked to the logged-in user.
payment.html	Processes online payments and records them in the Payment table.
admin_dashboard.html	Provides the admin interface for managing cars, customers, and payments.

Application Flow:

1. User Authentication:

- Users access the system via login.html and verify credentials stored in the database.
- Customers are directed to the booking dashboard, while admins access the management panel.

2. Car Browsing and Reservation:

- Customers browse available cars on car_list.html.
- They can select a car and proceed to book it using reservation.html.

3. Rental Confirmation and Payment:

- Upon confirmation, reservation data is stored in the **Reservation** table.
- The user completes payment on payment.html, and details are added to the **Payment** table.

4. Admin and Management Features:

- Admins can view, update, or delete records via admin_dashboard.html.
- They can manage fleet availability, check rentals, and monitor payments.

SIGN IN :

```

"use client";
import { useAuthActions } from "@convex-dev/auth/react";
import { useState } from "react";
import { toast } from "sonner";

export function SignInForm() {
  const { signIn } = useAuthActions();
  const [flow, setFlow] = useState<"signIn" | "signUp">("signIn");
  const [submitting, setSubmitting] = useState(false);
  40
  return (
    <div>
      <h2>Sign In</h2>
      <form>
        <input type="text" placeholder="Email" />
        <input type="password" placeholder="Password" />
        <button type="button" onClick={async () => {
          try {
            await signIn();
            toast("Signed in!");
            setFlow("signUp");
          } catch (error) {
            toast(error.message);
          }
        }}>Sign In</button>
      </form>
    </div>
  );
}

```

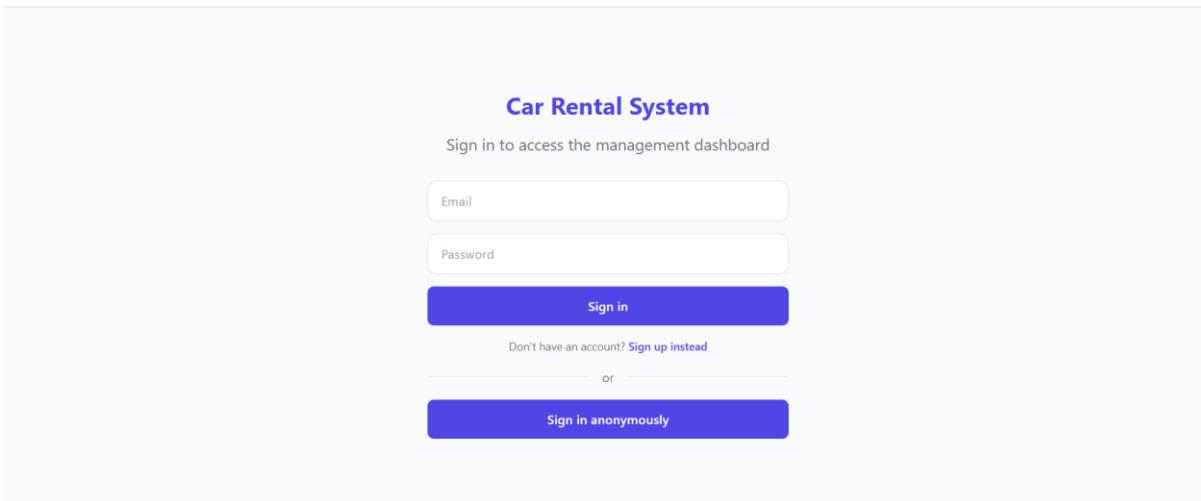
```
<div className="w-full">
  <form
    className="flex flex-col gap-form-field"
    onSubmit={(e) => {
      e.preventDefault();
      setSubmitting(true);
      const formData = new FormData(e.target as HTMLFormElement);
      formData.set("flow", flow);
      void signIn("password", formData).catch((error) => {
        let toastTitle = "";
        if (error.message.includes("Invalid password")) {
          toastTitle = "Invalid password. Please try again.";
        } else {
          toastTitle =
            flow === "signIn"
              ? "Could not sign in, did you mean to sign up?"
              : "Could not sign up, did you mean to sign in?";
        }
        toast.error(toastTitle);
        setSubmitting(false);
      });
    }}
  >
  <input
    className="auth-input-field"
    type="email"
    name="email"
    placeholder="Email"
    required
  />
  <input
    className="auth-input-field"
    type="password"
    name="password"
    placeholder="Password"
    required
  />
  <button className="auth-button" type="submit" disabled={submitting}>
    {flow === "signIn" ? "Sign in" : "Sign up"}
  </button>
  <div className="text-center text-sm text-secondary">
    <span>
      {flow === "signIn"
        ? "Don't have an account? "
        : "Already have an account? "}
    </span>
    <button
      type="button"
      className="text-primary hover:text-primary-hover hover:underline font-medium cursor-pointer"41
```

```

        onClick={() => setFlow(flow === "signIn" ? "signUp" : "signIn")}
      >
    {flow === "signIn" ? "Sign up instead" : "Sign in instead"}
  </button>
</div>
</form>
<div className="flex items-center justify-center my-3">
  <hr className="my-4 grow border-gray-200" />
  <span className="mx-4 text-secondary">or</span>
  <hr className="my-4 grow border-gray-200" />
</div>
<button className="auth-button" onClick={() => void signIn("anonymous")}>
  Sign in anonymously
</button>
</div>
);
}

```

Car Rental Management



app.tsx:

```

import { Authenticated, Unauthenticated, useQuery } from "convex/react";
import { api } from "../convex/_generated/api";
import { SignInForm } from "./SignInForm";
import { SignOutButton } from "./SignOutButton";
import { Toaster } from "sonner";
import { CarCatalog } from "./components/CarCatalog";
import { ReservationList } from "./components/ReservationList";
import { RentalHistory } from "./components/RentalHistory";
import { useState } from "react";

```

```

export default function App() {
  const [currentView, setCurrentView] = useState<"catalog" | "reservations" | "history">("catalog");
  const reservations = useQuery(api.reservations.list) || [];
  const reservationCount = reservations.length;

  return (
    <div className="min-h-screen flex flex-col bg-gray-50">
      <header className="sticky top-0 bg-white border-b shadow-sm">
        <div className="max-w-7xl mx-auto px-4 h-16 flex justify-between items-center">
          <div className="flex items-center gap-8">
            <h1 className="text-2xl font-bold text-gray-900">CarRentalHub</h1>
            <Authenticated>
              <nav className="flex gap-6">
                <button
                  onClick={() => setCurrentView("catalog")}
                  className={`px-3 py-2 rounded-md text-sm font-medium ${currentView === "catalog" ? "bg-blue-100 text-blue-700" : "text-gray-600 hover:text-gray-900"}`}
                >`>
                  Cars
                </button>
                <button
                  onClick={() => setCurrentView("reservations")}
                  className={`px-3 py-2 rounded-md text-sm font-medium relative ${currentView === "reservations" ? "bg-blue-100 text-blue-700" : "text-gray-600 hover:text-gray-900"}`}
                >`>
                  My Reservations
                <span className="absolute -top-1 -right-1 bg-red-500 text-white text-xs rounded-full h-5 w-5 flex items-center justify-center">
                  {reservationCount}
                </span>
              >`>
            </button>
            <button
              onClick={() => setCurrentView("history")}
              className={`px-3 py-2 rounded-md text-sm font-medium ${currentView === "history" ? "bg-blue-100 text-blue-700" : "text-gray-600 hover:text-gray-900"}`}
            >`>
              Rental History
            </button>
          </nav>
        </Authenticated>
      </div>
    </header>
  )
}

```

```

        </div>
        <SignOutButton />
    </div>
</header>

<main className="flex-1">
    <Content currentView={currentView} />
</main>

<Toaster />
</div>
);
}
}

function Content({ currentView }: { currentView: "catalog" | "reservations" | "history" }) {
    const user = useQuery(api.auth.loggedInUser);

    if (user === undefined) {
        return <div className="flex justify-center items-center min-h-96 animate-spin border-b-2 border-blue-600 rounded-full h-8 w-8"></div>;
    }

    return (
        <div className="max-w-7xl mx-auto px-4 py-8">
            <Unauthenticated>
                <div className="max-w-md mx-auto text-center">
                    <h2 className="text-3xl font-bold text-gray-900 mb-4">Welcome to CarRentalHub</h2>
                    <p className="text-gray-600 mb-6">Sign in to start booking your ride</p>
                    <SignInForm />
                </div>
            </Unauthenticated>

            <Authenticated>
                {currentView === "catalog" && <CarCatalog />}
                {currentView === "reservations" && <ReservationList />}
                {currentView === "history" && <RentalHistory />}
            </Authenticated>
        </div>
    );
}

```

CarCatalog.tsx

```

import { useQuery, useMutation } from "convex/react";
import { api } from "../../convex/_generated/api";
import { toast } from "sonner";

```

```

import { Id } from "../../convex/_generated/dataModel";
import { useState } from "react";

export function CarCatalog() {
  const [search, setSearch] = useState("");
  const cars = useQuery(api.cars.list, { search }) || [];
  const reserveCar = useMutation(api.reservations.create);

  const handleReserve = async (carId: Id<"cars">) => {
    try {
      await reserveCar({ carId });
      toast.success("Car reserved successfully!");
    } catch {
      toast.error("Reservation failed");
    }
  };
}

return (
  <div className="space-y-8">
    <div className="flex gap-4">
      <input
        type="text"
        placeholder="Search cars..."
        value={search}
        onChange={(e) => setSearch(e.target.value)}
        className="flex-1 px-4 py-2 border border-gray-300 rounded-lg"
      />
    </div>

    {cars.length === 0 ? (
      <p className="text-center text-gray-600">No cars found.</p>
    ) : (
      <div className="grid grid-cols-1 sm:grid-cols-2 lg:grid-cols-3 gap-6">
        {cars.map((car) => (
          <div key={car._id} className="bg-white rounded-lg shadow-md p-4
        hover:shadow-lg">
            <img
              src={car.imageUrl || "/car-placeholder.png"}
              alt={car.model}
              className="w-full h-48 object-cover rounded-md mb-3"
            />
            <h3 className="font-bold text-lg">{car.make} {car.model}</h3>
            <p className="text-gray-600">Year: {car.year}</p>
            <p className="font-semibold text-blue-600 mb-
            3">₹{car.dailyRate}/day</p>
            <button
              onClick={() => handleReserve(car._id)}
              className="w-full bg-blue-600 text-white py-2 rounded-lg hover:bg-blue-
            700">
        
```

```

        Reserve Now
        </button>
      </div>
    )})
  </div>
)
</div>
);
}

```

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VEHICLE	LICENSE PLATE	TYPE	STATUS	LOCATION	ACTIONS
2023 Toyota Corolla White • 15,000 miles	ABC-1234	Economy	maintenance	Downtown Branch	Maintenance Delete
2022 Honda Civic Silver • 22,000 miles	DEF-5678	Compact	available	Airport Branch	Available Delete
2023 Nissan Altima Black • 8,000 miles	GHI-9012	Mid-Size	available	Downtown Branch	Available Delete
2024 BMW 3 Series Blue • 5,000 miles	JKL-3456	Luxury	rented	Premium Branch	Rented Delete
2023 Ford Explorer Red • 12,000 miles	MNO-7890	SUV	rented	Airport Branch	Rented Delete

ReservationList.tsx

```

import { useQuery, useMutation } from "convex/react";
import { api } from "../../convex/_generated/api";
import { toast } from "sonner";

export function ReservationList() {
  const reservations = useQuery(api.reservations.list) || [];
  const cancelReservation = useMutation(api.reservations.cancel);
  const confirmRental = useMutation(api.rentals.create);

  if (reservations.length === 0)
    return <p className="text-center py-12 text-gray-600">No active reservations found.</p>

  return (
    <div className="max-w-4xl mx-auto">
      <h1 className="text-3xl font-bold mb-6">My Reservations</h1>
      <div className="space-y-4">
        {reservations.map((r) => (
          <div key={r._id} className="bg-white shadow rounded-lg p-6 flex justify-between items-center">
            46
            <div>

```

```

<h3 className="font-semibold">{r.car.make} {r.car.model}</h3>
<p className="text-sm text-gray-600">
  From {r.pickupDate} to {r.returnDate}
</p>
</div>
<div className="flex gap-3">
  <button
    onClick={() => confirmRental({ reservationId: r._id })}
    className="bg-green-600 text-white px-4 py-2 rounded-lg hover:bg-green-700">
    Confirm Rental
  </button>
  <button
    onClick={() => cancelReservation({ id: r._id })}
    className="bg-red-500 text-white px-4 py-2 rounded-lg hover:bg-red-600">
    Cancel
  </button>
</div>
</div>
))}>
</div>
</div>
);
}

```

The screenshot shows the 'Reservations Management' section of the application. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Overview, Cars, Customers, Reservations (which is highlighted in blue), Rentals, Payments, Employees, and Car Types. Below the navigation bar, there is a heading 'Reservations Management' and a 'New Reservation' button. A table displays two reservation records:

CUSTOMER	VEHICLE	DATES	AMOUNT	STATUS	ACTIONS
John Smith john.smith@email.com	2023 Toyota Corolla ABC-1234	11/6/2025 to 11/7/2025	\$1000.00	completed	<button>Completed</button>
Michael Brown michael.brown@email.com	2022 Honda Civic DEF-5678	11/7/2025 to 11/8/2025	\$1500.00	completed	<button>Completed</button>

RentalHistory.tsx:

```

import { useQuery } from "convex/react";
import { api } from "../../convex/_generated/api";

```

```

export function RentalHistory() {
  const rentals = useQuery(api.rentals.list) || [];

  if (rentals.length === 0)
    return (
      <div className="text-center py-12">
        <div className="text-6xl mb-4">🚗</div>
        <h2 className="text-2xl font-bold">No completed rentals yet</h2>
        <p className="text-gray-600">Your rental history will appear here.</p>
      </div>
    );

  return (
    <div className="max-w-4xl mx-auto space-y-6">
      <h1 className="text-3xl font-bold text-gray-900 mb-6">Rental History</h1>
      {rentals.map((r) => (
        <div key={r._id} className="bg-white rounded-lg shadow-md p-6">
          <div className="flex justify-between">
            <div>
              <h3 className="font-semibold text-lg">
                {r.car.make} {r.car.model}
              </h3>
              <p className="text-sm text-gray-600">
                {r.rentalDate} – {r.returnDate}
              </p>
            </div>
            <div className="text-right">
              <p className="text-lg font-bold text-gray-900">₹ {r.totalCost}</p>
              <span
                className={`px-3 py-1 rounded-full text-sm ${r.status === "returned" ? "bg-green-100 text-green-700" : "bg-yellow-100 text-yellow-800"}`}
              >
                {r.status}
              </span>
            </div>
          </div>
        </div>
      )));
    </div>
  );
}

```

CUSTOMER	AMOUNT	METHOD	DATE	STATUS	ACTIONS
John Smith john.smith@email.com	\$1000.00	Credit Card	11/6/2025	completed	<button>Completed</button>
Michael Brown michael.brown@email.com	\$1500.00	Credit Card	11/7/2025	completed	<button>Completed</button>

SIGN OUT:

```

"use client";
import { useAuthActions } from "@convex-dev/auth/react";
import { useConvexAuth } from "convex/react";

export function SignOutButton() {
  const { isAuthenticated } = useConvexAuth();
  const { signOut } = useAuthActions();

  if (!isAuthenticated) {
    return null;
  }

  return (
    <button
      className="px-4 py-2 rounded bg-white text-secondary border border-gray-200
      font-semibold hover:bg-gray-50 hover:text-secondary-hover transition-colors
      shadow-sm hover:shadow"
      onClick={() => void signOut()}
    >
      Sign out
    </button>
  );
}

```

Database Integration:

The **Rental Car Management System** integrates seamlessly with a **MySQL database**, ensuring efficient storage, retrieval, and management of rental, vehicle, and customer information. The backend, built using **Flask**, provides smooth interaction between the frontend and database, allowing real-time data updates across all modules such as car availability, booking status, and payment details. This integration improves scalability, reliability, and data consistency, making the system suitable for managing multiple concurrent car rentals securely and efficiently.

Functionality Highlights

- **User Registration and Authentication:**
Customers and admins can securely register and log in. Role-based access ensures that only authorized users can manage cars, rentals, and transactions.
- **Car Management:**
Admins can add, update, or delete car details such as model, type, year, price per day, and availability. The system automatically updates availability when a car is rented or returned.
- **Booking and Rental Management:**
Customers can view available cars, check pricing, and make reservations. The system prevents double booking and updates the status of vehicles in real time.
- **Payment Processing:**
After booking, customers can make secure payments. All payment information is recorded in the database, linked to the respective rental and customer.
- **Customer Dashboard:**
Users can view their booking history, payment receipts, and active rentals in one place.
- **Admin Dashboard:**
The admin can monitor all rentals, view customer activity, manage fleet information, and generate performance reports.
- **Return and Billing Management:**
The system calculates rental costs automatically based on duration, car type, and late-return penalties.

Discussion:

The **Rental Car Management System** fulfills its goal of automating and digitizing the car rental process. It enhances customer convenience and operational efficiency by allowing seamless booking, payment, and return handling.

The use of Flask APIs ensures smooth communication between the frontend and MySQL database, while proper normalization and relationships maintain data accuracy.

Overall, the system provides an easy-to-use and reliable digital platform for managing car rental operations with minimal manual intervention.

Security Measures:

- **Secure Login and Role Management:** Passwords are encrypted, and access permissions are assigned based on user roles (admin or customer).
- **Data Encryption:** Sensitive data such as passwords and payment details are securely encrypted.
- **Secure Communication:** HTTPS and SSL protocols ensure data security during transactions.
- **Validation and SQL Injection Prevention:** Input validation and prepared statements are used to protect against malicious queries.
- **Data Privacy Compliance:** The system aligns with data protection standards to safeguard user and payment information.

Data Integrity:

- **Transaction Management:** Atomic transactions ensure data consistency during car booking and payment.
- **Input Validation:** All customer inputs are verified to prevent errors or invalid data entries.
- **Logging and Auditing:** Each booking, cancellation, and update is recorded for accountability.
- **Backup and Recovery:** Automated database backups protect against data loss due to system failures.

User Interface Design:

- **Simple Navigation:** The interface allows easy access to car listings, bookings, payments, and dashboards.
- **Responsive Design:** Works across all devices—desktop, tablet, and mobile.
- **Clear Visuals:** Displays car images, pricing, and availability for quick decision-making.
- **Accessibility Features:** Uses readable fonts and color contrast for better usability.

Challenges and Limitations:

- **Real-Time Vehicle Tracking:** Integration with GPS systems for live tracking is not yet implemented.
- **Scalability:** As the customer base and car fleet grow, system optimization may be required.
- **Payment Gateway Integration:** Secure and reliable payment API integration can be improved further.⁵¹

- **Concurrent Bookings:** Managing simultaneous booking requests may require database-level locking mechanisms.

Future Enhancements:

- **Mobile App Development:** Building Android and iOS versions for easier access.
- **AI-Based Car Recommendation:** Suggest cars based on user preferences and booking history.
- **Integration with GPS Tracking:** Real-time location and monitoring of rented vehicles.
- **Digital Contracts and E-Signatures:** Automate rental agreements digitally.
- **Analytics Dashboard:** Introduce predictive analytics for demand forecasting and fleet optimization.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, the **Rental Car Management System** provides a secure, efficient, and user-friendly platform for automating the car rental process. It minimizes manual work, ensures transparency, and enhances user satisfaction through real-time updates and secure transactions.

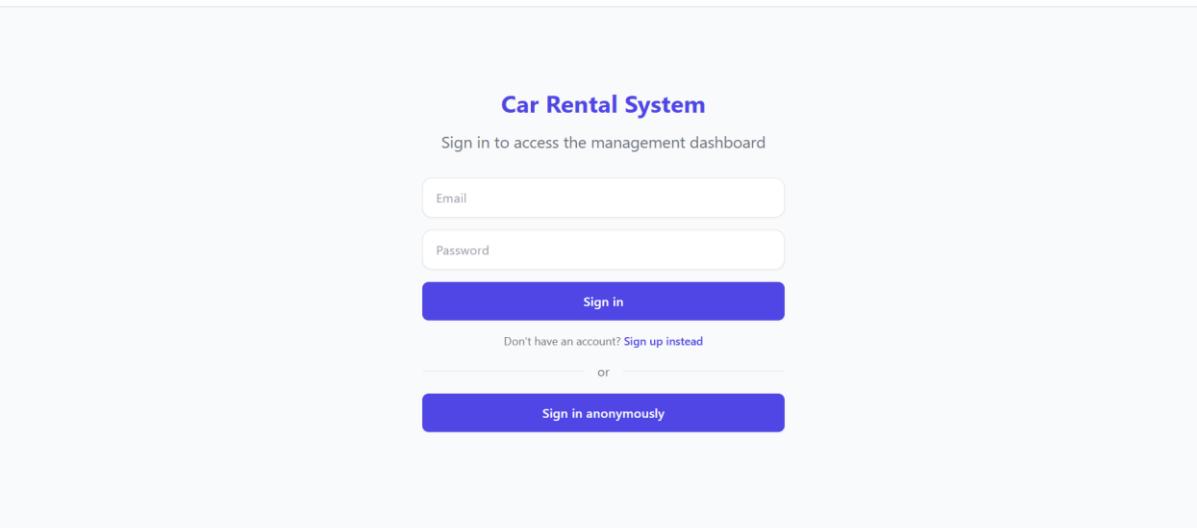
With future enhancements like GPS tracking, AI integration, and mobile app support, the system can evolve into a comprehensive digital solution for modern vehicle rental businesses.

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FRONT END PICTURES:

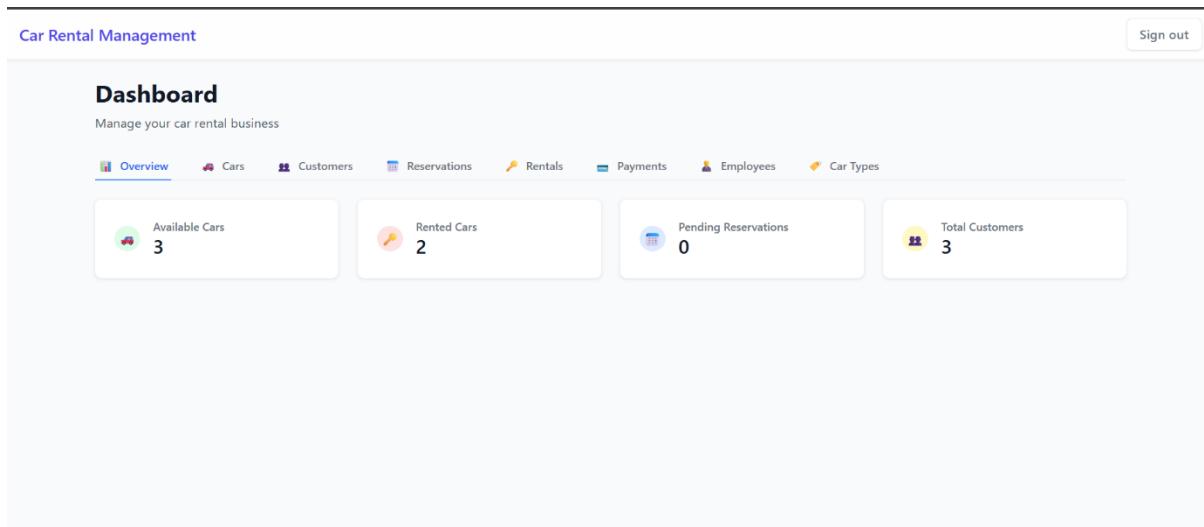
SIGN IN/SIGN UP:

Car Rental Management



The form is titled "Car Rental System" and instructs the user to "Sign in to access the management dashboard". It contains two input fields: "Email" and "Password", followed by a large blue "Sign in" button. Below the sign-in area, there is a link "Don't have an account? [Sign up instead](#)". A horizontal line with the word "or" separates this from another blue button labeled "Sign in anonymously".

DASHBOARD:



CARS:

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Add New Car

VEHICLE	LICENSE PLATE	TYPE	STATUS	LOCATION	ACTIONS
2023 Toyota Corolla White • 15,000 miles	ABC-1234	Economy	available	Downtown Branch	Available <input type="button" value="Delete"/>
2022 Honda Civic Silver • 22,000 miles	DEF-5678	Compact	available	Airport Branch	Available <input type="button" value="Delete"/>
2023 Nissan Altima Black • 8,000 miles	GHI-9012	Mid-Size	available	Downtown Branch	Available <input type="button" value="Delete"/>
2024 BMW 3 Series Blue • 5,000 miles	JKL-3456	Luxury	rented	Premium Branch	Rented <input type="button" value="Delete"/>
2023 Ford Explorer Red • 12,000 miles	MNO-7890	SUV	rented	Airport Branch	Rented <input type="button" value="Delete"/>

Reservations:

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Sign out

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New Reservation

CUSTOMER	VEHICLE	DATES	AMOUNT	STATUS	ACTIONS
John Smith john.smith@email.com	2023 Toyota Corolla ABC-1234	11/6/2025 to 11/7/2025	\$1000.00	completed	Completed <input type="button" value="Delete"/>
Michael Brown michael.brown@email.com	2022 Honda Civic DEF-5678	11/7/2025 to 11/8/2025	\$1500.00	completed	Completed <input type="button" value="Delete"/>

Payments:

Car Rental Management

Sign out

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Payments Management

Record Payment

CUSTOMER	AMOUNT	METHOD	DATE	STATUS	ACTIONS
John Smith john.smith@email.com	\$1000.00	Credit Card	11/6/2025	completed	Completed ▾
Michael Brown michael.brown@email.com	\$1500.00	Credit Card	11/7/2025	completed	Completed ▾

Car Types:

Car Rental Management

Sign out

Car Types Management

Add New Car Type

Economy \$35/day Fuel-efficient and budget-friendly vehicles Features: Air Conditioning Manual Transmission 4 Doors 5 Seats	Compact \$42/day Small cars perfect for city driving Features: Air Conditioning Automatic Transmission 4 Doors 5 Seats Bluetooth	Mid-Size \$55/day Comfortable vehicles for longer trips Features: Air Conditioning Automatic Transmission 4 Doors 5 Seats Bluetooth Cruise Control
Luxury \$95/day Premium vehicles with top-tier amenities Features: Premium Interior Automatic Transmission 4 Doors 5 Seats Bluetooth GPS Navigation Heated Seats	SUV \$75/day Spacious vehicles for families and groups Features: Air Conditioning Automatic Transmission 4 Doors 7 Seats Bluetooth All-Wheel Drive	