

Sprint 7-8: Domain Analysis Documentation

SyncInCorp Crèche App Development

Team: SyncInCorp
Project: Crèche Management Application
Sprint: 3 - Domain Analysis
Sprint Duration:

Sprint Goal

Complete domain analysis, finish user journey diagrams, agree on architecture and technology choices with documentation, and build mockups for client presentation.

Sprint Objectives

- Domain Analysis:** Understand the crèche management industry and business processes
- User Journey Completion:** Create comprehensive user journey diagrams
- Architecture & Technology Agreement:** Finish and document technology stack decisions
- Mockup Development:** Build visual representations of the application interface
- Client Presentation:** Present mockups and gather feedback for validation

Team Availability

Sprint 3 Team Members

Team Member	Role	Availability	Sprint Focus Areas
Minenhle Dladla]	Project Manager	100%	Client liaison, sprint coordination
Minenhle Dladla and Shaldon Sindraj	UX Designer	85%	User journey mapping, mockup creation
Msizi Lamula]	Software Architect	100	Architecture design, technology selection
Amahle Gcumisa	Frontend Developer	60%	UI mockups, frontend architecture

Msizi Lamula and Amahle Gcumisa	Backend Developer	100%	Database design, API architecture
Msizi Lamula and Amhle Gcumisa	DevOps Engineer	100%	Infrastructure planning, deployment strategy
Nosipho kubheka and Darren Danashar	Documentation	60%	Take notes, keep track of meetings and update documentation as app progresses.

1. Domain Analysis

1.1 Industry Overview: Crèche Management Sector

Market Context

- **Industry:** Early Childhood Care and Education
- **Target Market:** Private and institutional crèches/daycare centers
- **Market Size:** Growing demand for digital solutions in childcare management
- **Key Trends:** Digital transformation, parent engagement, regulatory compliance

Business Domain Understanding

Core Business Processes:

- 1. Enrollment Management**
 - Application processing
 - Capacity planning
 - Waiting list management
 - Fee structure administration
- 2. Daily Operations**
 - Attendance tracking
 - Activity planning and documentation
 - Meal planning and dietary management
 - Health and safety monitoring
- 3. Communication Management**
 - Parent-staff communication
 - Emergency notifications
 - Progress reporting
 - Event announcements
- 4. Administrative Functions**
 - Staff management
 - Financial reporting
 - Regulatory compliance
 - Quality assurance

1.2 Stakeholder Analysis

Primary Stakeholders

Stakeholder	Role	Key Interests	System Interaction Level
Parents/Guardians	End Users	Child safety, development tracking, communication	High - Daily usage
Crèche Staff	End Users	Efficient documentation, parent communication	High - Daily usage
Crèche Administrators	End Users	Operational oversight, reporting, compliance	Medium - Weekly usage
Children	Indirect Users	Safe, nurturing environment	Indirect - through documentation

Secondary Stakeholders

- **Regulatory Bodies:** Compliance monitoring and reporting
- **IT Support:** System maintenance and technical support
- **Management Company:** ROI and operational efficiency
- **Emergency Services:** Access to emergency contact information

1.3 Existing Systems Analysis

Current State Assessment

- **Manual Processes:** Paper-based attendance, handwritten daily reports
- **Communication:** Phone calls, WhatsApp groups, physical notice boards
- **Documentation:** Physical files, spreadsheets for basic tracking
- **Pain Points:** Information silos, delayed communication, inefficient reporting

Integration Requirements

- **Financial Systems:** Fee management and billing integration
- **HR Systems:** Staff management and scheduling
- **Regulatory Systems:** Compliance reporting automation
- **Emergency Services:** Quick access protocols

1.4 Regulatory and Compliance Requirements

Data Protection

- **POPIA Compliance** (South African context)
- **Child Data Protection:** Enhanced security for minors' information
- **GDPR Considerations:** International data handling standards

Health and Safety Regulations

- **Incident Reporting:** Mandatory documentation requirements
- **Medical Information:** Secure handling of health records
- **Emergency Procedures:** Quick access to emergency contacts and procedures

2. Complete User Journey Diagrams

2.1 Parent User Journey: Morning Drop-off to Evening Pickup

```
journey
  title Parent Daily Journey
  section Morning Preparation
    Check app for updates: 5: Parent
    Review yesterday's activities: 4: Parent
    Add special instructions: 3: Parent
  section Drop-off
    Confirm attendance via app: 5: Parent, Staff
    Receive confirmation notification: 5: Parent
  section During Day
    Receive activity updates: 5: Parent
    View photos/videos: 5: Parent
    Respond to staff messages: 4: Parent
  section Pick-up
    Get end-of-day summary: 5: Parent
    Review daily report: 4: Parent
    Confirm pickup: 5: Parent, Staff
```

2.2 Staff User Journey: Daily Care Documentation

```
journey
  title Staff Daily Journey
  section Morning Setup
    Login to system: 5: Staff
    Review children's special needs: 4: Staff
    Mark attendance: 5: Staff
  section Activity Management
    Document activities: 4: Staff
    Take photos/videos: 5: Staff
    Record mealtimes: 4: Staff
    Log nap schedules: 3: Staff
  section Parent Communication
    Send activity updates: 4: Staff
    Respond to parent queries: 4: Staff
    Handle emergencies: 5: Staff
  section End of Day
    Complete daily summaries: 3: Staff
    Prepare pickup notifications: 4: Staff
    Update child profiles: 3: Staff
```

2.3 Administrator User Journey: Weekly Management Overview

```
journey
  title Administrator Weekly Journey
  section Planning
    Review enrolment status: 4: Admin
    Check staff schedules: 3: Admin
    Monitor capacity: 4: Admin
  section Monitoring
    Review activity reports: 3: Admin
    Check parent feedback: 4: Admin
```

Monitor compliance: 5: Admin
section Management
Generate reports: 3: Admin
Handle escalations: 4: Admin
Update system settings: 2: Admin

Resources Used:

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- (Do mapping on canva and share link)

3. Architecture and Technology Choices

3.1 System Architecture Decision

Chosen Architecture: Micro-services with API Gateway

Rationale:

- **Scalability:** Independent scaling of different services
- **Maintainability:** Separate development and deployment cycles
- **Technology Flexibility:** Different services can use optimal technologies
- **Fault Isolation:** Issues in one service don't affect others

Architecture Diagram

```
graph TB
    subgraph "Client Layer"
        A[Web App]
        B[Mobile App]
        C[Admin Portal]
    end

    subgraph "API Gateway"
        D[Load Balancer]
        E[Authentication Service]
        F[Rate Limiting]
    end

    subgraph "Microservices"
        G[User Management Service]
        H[Child Management Service]
        I[Activity Service]
        J[Communication Service]
        K[Notification Service]
        L[File Storage Service]
    end

    subgraph "Data Layer"
        M[User Database]
        N[Activity Database]
        O[File Storage]
        P[Cache Layer]
    end
```

end

A --> D
B --> D
C --> D
D --> E
D --> F
E --> G
E --> H
E --> I
E --> J
E --> K
E --> L
G --> M
H --> M
I --> N
J --> N
K --> P
L --> O

3.2 Technology Stack Selection

Frontend Technologies

Component	Chosen Technology	Rationale
Web Framework	React.js 18+	Large community, component reusability, PWA capabilities
Mobile App	React Native	Code sharing with web, faster development
State Management	Redux Toolkit	Predictable state management, DevTools integration
UI Framework	Material-UI (MUI)	Professional look, accessibility features
Build Tool	Vite	Fast development builds, modern tooling

Backend Technologies

Component	Chosen Technology	Rationale
Runtime	Node.js 18+	JavaScript ecosystem consistency, fast I/O
Framework	Express.js + NestJS	Express simplicity + NestJS structure for larger services
Database	PostgreSQL	ACID compliance, relational data integrity
Cache	Redis	Fast session storage, pub/sub for real-time features
File Storage	AWS S3 / Cloudinary	Secure image/video storage, CDN integration
Authentication	JWT + Refresh Tokens	Stateless authentication, mobile-friendly

DevOps and Infrastructure

Component	Chosen Technology	Rationale
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Container Platform	Docker	Environment consistency, easy deployment
Orchestration	Docker Compose (dev) / Kubernetes (prod)	Scalability and orchestration
CI/CD	GitHub Actions	Integrated with repository, free for public repos
Cloud Provider	AWS / Google Cloud	Reliability, global reach, managed services
Monitoring	Sentry + CloudWatch	Error tracking and performance monitoring

3.3 Database Design

Entity Relationship Overview

```

erDiagram
    Users ||--o{ Children : "has"
    Users ||--o{ Messages : "sends"
    Children ||--o{ Activities : "participates"
    Children ||--o{ Attendance : "marked"
    Users ||--o{ Staff_Assignments : "assigned"
    Activities ||--o{ Activity_Media : "contains"

    Users {
        uuid id PK
        string email UK
        string password_hash
        enum role
        jsonb profile_data
        timestamp created_at
        timestamp updated_at
    }

    Children {
        uuid id PK
        uuid parent_id FK
        string first_name
        string last_name
        date date_of_birth
        jsonb medical_info
        jsonb emergency_contacts
        timestamp created_at
        timestamp updated_at
    }

    Activities {
        uuid id PK
        uuid child_id FK
        uuid staff_id FK
        string activity_type
        text description
        timestamp activity_time
        jsonb metadata
    }

```

3.4 Security Architecture

Authentication Flow

```
sequenceDiagram
    participant C as Client
    participant AG as API Gateway
    participant AS as Auth Service
    participant MS as Micro-service
    participant DB as Database

    C->>AG: Login Request
    AG->>AS: Confirm Credentials
    AS->>DB: Check User
    DB-->>AS: User Data
    AS-->>AG: JWT + Refresh Token
    AG-->>C: Authentication Response

    C->>AG: API Request + JWT
    AG->>AS: Validate JWT
    AS-->>AG: Token Valid
    AG->>MS: Forward Request
    MS-->>AG: Response
    AG-->>C: API Response
```

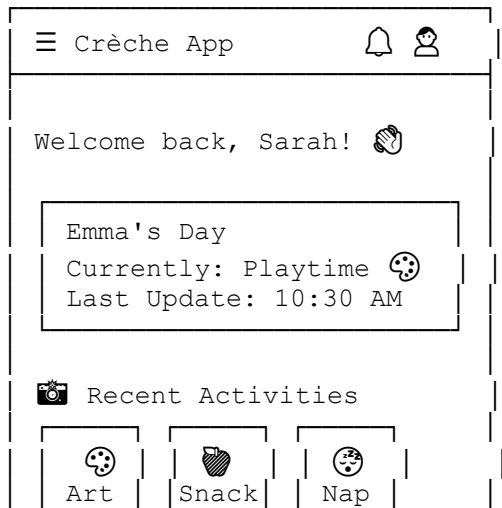
Data Protection Measures


- **Encryption at Rest:** AES-256 for database
- **Encryption in Transit:** TLS 1.3 for all communications
- **PII Protection:** Field-level encryption for sensitive data
- **Access Control:** Role-based permissions with principle of least privilege
- **Audit Logging:** Comprehensive activity logging for compliance


4. Mock-up Development

4.1 Mobile App Mockups



Parent Dashboard








 Messages (2)
 "Emma had a great day..."


 Upcoming
 Tomorrow: Show & Tell

Activity Feed

← Emma's Activities
 


 [Activity Photo]
 Art & Crafts - 10:30 AM
 Emma made a beautiful painting today! She was very focused and proud of her work. 🧐




 Snack Time - 9:45 AM
 Apple slices & crackers
 Emma ate everything!

 Circle Time - 9:15AM
 Story: "The Very Hungry Caterpillar"

4.2 Staff Interface Mockups

Activity Logger

← Log Activity
 ✓ Save

Child: Emma Johnson ▾

 Activity Type:
 ○ Playtime ○ Art & Crafts
 ○ Story Time ○ Outdoor Play
 ● Snack Time ○ Rest Time

Time: [10:30 AM ▾]

Description:

Emma enjoyed her apple slices and asked for more crackers...

Add Photo/Video

Photo

+ Add

Tags: #healthy #happy

4.3 Web Admin Portal Mockups

Dashboard Overview

Crèche Management System

Admin

Dashboard Overview

Export

Total Children

45

+3 this week

Active Staff

12

All present

Attendance

98%

Today

Recent Activities

View All

Time	Child	Activity	Staff
10:45	Emma J.	Art & Crafts	Ms. Sarah
10:30	Liam K.	Snack Time	Mr. David
10:15	Ava M.	Circle Time	Ms. Lisa

Quick Actions

Add Activity

Manage Staff

Send Message

4.4 Responsive Design Considerations

Breakpoint Strategy

- **Mobile:** 320px - 768px (Primary focus)
- **Tablet:** 768px - 1024px
- **Desktop:** 1024px+ (Admin portal focus)

Accessibility Features

- **Color Contrast:** WCAG 2.1 AA compliance
 - **Font Sizes:** Minimum 16px for mobile
 - **Touch Targets:** Minimum 44px tap targets
 - **Screen Reader Support:** Semantic HTML and ARIA labels
 - **Keyboard Navigation:** Full keyboard accessibility
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5. Client Presentation Plan

5.1 Presentation Structure

Agenda (60 minutes)

1. **Welcome & Recap** (5 minutes)
 - Sprint 2 achievements summary
 - Today's objectives
2. **Domain Analysis Findings** (15 minutes)
 - Industry insights
 - Stakeholder analysis
 - Current state vs future state
3. **User Journey Walkthrough** (15 minutes)
 - Parent journey demonstration
 - Staff workflow explanation
 - Administrator overview
4. **Technical Architecture** (10 minutes)
 - High-level architecture overview
 - Technology choices rationale
 - Security and scalability considerations
5. **Mockup Demonstration** (10 minutes)
 - Mobile app walkthrough
 - Web portal demonstration
 - Responsive design showcase
6. **Feedback & Q&A** (15 minutes)
 - Client feedback collection
 - Feature prioritisation discussion
 - Next steps alignment

5.2 Presentation Materials

Required Deliverables

- ☐ Domain analysis document
- ☐ Complete user journey diagrams
- ☐ Architecture documentation
- ☐ Interactive mockups (Figma)
- ☐ Technology stack justification
- ☐ Security and compliance overview
- ☐ Project timeline update

- ☐ Sprint 4 planning preview

5.3 Success Criteria

Client Approval Metrics

- **Domain Understanding:** Client confirms accurate business process mapping
- **User Experience:** Positive feedback on user journey flows
- **Technical Approach:** Approval of architecture and technology choices
- **Visual Design:** Acceptance of mockup designs and user interface
- **Project Direction:** Alignment on scope and timeline for development phases

Feedback Collection Methods

- **Digital Survey:** Post-presentation satisfaction survey
- **Priority Matrix:** Feature importance ranking exercise
- **Change Requests:** Documented modification requests
- **Approval Sign-off:** Formal approval for Sprint 4 commencement

Sprint 3 Deliverables Checklist

Completed Deliverables

- ☐ Comprehensive domain analysis report
- ☐ Stakeholder mapping and analysis
- ☐ Complete user journey diagrams for all user types
- ☐ System architecture documentation
- ☐ Technology stack selection with rationale
- ☐ Database design and ERD
- ☐ Security architecture plan
- ☐ Mobile app mockups (iOS/Android)
- ☐ Web admin portal mockups
- ☐ Responsive design specifications
- ☐ Client presentation materials
- ☐ Sprint 4 backlog preparation

Quality Assurance

- ☐ Peer review of all deliverables
- ☐ Client stakeholder validation
- ☐ Technical feasibility confirmation
- ☐ Accessibility compliance check
- ☐ Security review completion

Next Steps: Sprint 8-9 Preview

Anticipated Sprint 4 Focus Areas

1. **Development Environment Setup**
 - CI/CD pipeline implementation
 - Development and staging environments
 - Code quality standards establishment
2. **MVP Development Kickoff**
 - Core authentication system
 - Basic user management
 - Foundational database structure
3. **UI/UX Refinement**
 - Detailed wireframes based on client feedback
 - Design system establishment
 - Component library development

Risk Mitigation Planning

- **Technical Risks:** Proof of concept development for complex features
- **Resource Risks:** Team capacity planning and skill gap analysis
- **Timeline Risks:** Buffer time allocation for critical path items
- **Client Risks:** Regular feedback loops and change management processes

References: