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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This is the Requirement Analysis and Specification Document (RASD) of SafeStreet application. Goals of this document are to completely describe the system in terms of functional and non-functional requirements, analyze the real needs of the customer in order to model the system, show the constraints and the limit of the software and indicate the typical use cases that will occur after the release. This document is addressed to the developers who have to implement the requirements and could be used as a contractual basis.

1.1.1 Description of the given problem

SafeStreets is a crowd-sourced application that intends to provide users with the possibility to notify authorities when traffic violations occur, and in particular parking violations. The application allows users to send to authorities pictures of violations, including their date, time and position. Examples of violations are: vehicles parked in the middle of bike lanes, in places reserved for people with disabilities, on footpaths, double parking etc.

SafeStreets stores the information provided by users, completing it with suitable meta-data every time it receives a picture. In particular it is able to read automatically the license plate of a vehicle and store it without asking the user to type it. Also it stores the type of the violation which is input by the user from a provided list. Lastly it stores the name of the street where the violation occurred, receiving it automatically from the geographical position where the user took the picture. Then the application allows both end users and authorities to mine the information crowd-sourced. Two visualizations are offered: the first is an interactive map where are highlighted with a gradient color the streets with the highest frequency of violations. The second is a list of the vehicles that committed the most violations (available only to authority users).

In addition the app offers a service that creates automatically traffic tickets which can be approved and sent to citizens by the local police. This is done using the data crowd-sourced by the users. The application guarantees that every picture used to generate a ticket has't been altered. In addition, the information about issued tickets is used to build statistics. Two kind of statistics are offered: a list of people who received the highest number of tickets and some trends of the issued tickets over time and the ratio of approved tickets over the violations reported.

1.2 Scope

1.3 Definitions, acronyms, abbreviations

1.3.1 Definitions

- Heatmap : A heatmap is a graphical representation of data that uses a system of color-coding to represent different values
- Enduser : a regular citizen which will use the app
- Authority user : someone who's working for an authority like police, municipality etc.
- Geocoding : the process of converting addresses (like a street address) into geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude)
- Reverse geocoding: the process of converting geographic coordinates into a human-readable address

1.3.2 Acronyms

- ALPR : Automated Licence Plate Recognition
- GUI : Graphical User Interface
- GDPR : EU General Data Protection Regulation
- API : Application Programming Interface

1.3.3 Abbreviations

1.4 Revision history

This is the first released version 10/11/2019.

1.5 Reference Documents

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1.6 Document Structure

This document is divided in five parts.

1. **Introduction**
2. **Architectural Design**
3. **User Interface Design**
4. **Requirements Traceability**
5. **Implementation, Integration and Test Plan**
6. **Effort spent** contains the tables where we reported for each group member the hour spent working on the project

2 Architectural Design

2.1 Overview

In order to design our application we need two main parts: one is the The general architecture of our system has three tiers. We have a mobile app running on mobile devices, smartphones or tablets with ios or Android. then we have a server

the kind of architecture is distributed logic as explainde in the slides.

2.2 Component view

Here are proposed the component view for both part of the system, the mobile application and the application server.

2.2.1 Mobile App

2.2.2 Application Server

2.3 Deployment view

In Figure 3 is shown the Deployment diagram.

The deployment consist of three tiers. The first tier consist is **Mobile device** the user will use, which can be a smartphone or a tablet using as operating system either iOS or Android. The exection environment is the built Flutter app.

The second tier is the **Application Server**. It is supposed to be a dedicated server running a linux distribution specific for server use. As an example of OS we choose Centos 7. Other distros can be used like Red Hat Enterprise Linux, Debian, OpenSUSE. As execution enviornment we install Node.js which is an open-source JavaScript runtime environment that executes JavaScript code outside of a browser. Inside Node.js we use the web application framework Express.js which is designed for building web applications and APIs.

The third tier is the **DB Server**. It consists in another server where we run the DB system MongoDB. We choose to run the database in a separate server and not in the same as the AplicationServer in order to increase scalability. MongoDB is a cross-platform document-oriented database program. Classified as a NoSQL database program, MongoDB uses JSON-like documents with schema.

2.4 Runtime view

2.5 Selected Architectural styles and patterns

This application will be developed with the MVP architectural pattern. In general, the MVP pattern allows separating the presentation layer from the logic, and this feature can be useful when we test the app. MVP is a user interface architectural pattern, which eases automated unit testing and it helps with providing clean code. This pattern consists of three parts which are Model, View and Presenter. In this pattern, model does not communicate with the view directly, it is the Presenter's responsibility to communicate with the Model and update the View. SafeStreet application will be developed with the MVP architectural pattern in place of the MVC (model, view and controller) because of the test advantage mentioned above and compared to MVVM the architecture does not fit to the project design. MVVM does not give us a relation 1-1 between Presentation and View. For that reason, during this project it is recommended to utilize the MVP architectural pattern. There are more architectural patterns that we considered and discarded, like "Client-server pattern" or "Layered pattern", but as mentioned above the MVP architecture would be the best fit for the SafeStreet Application.

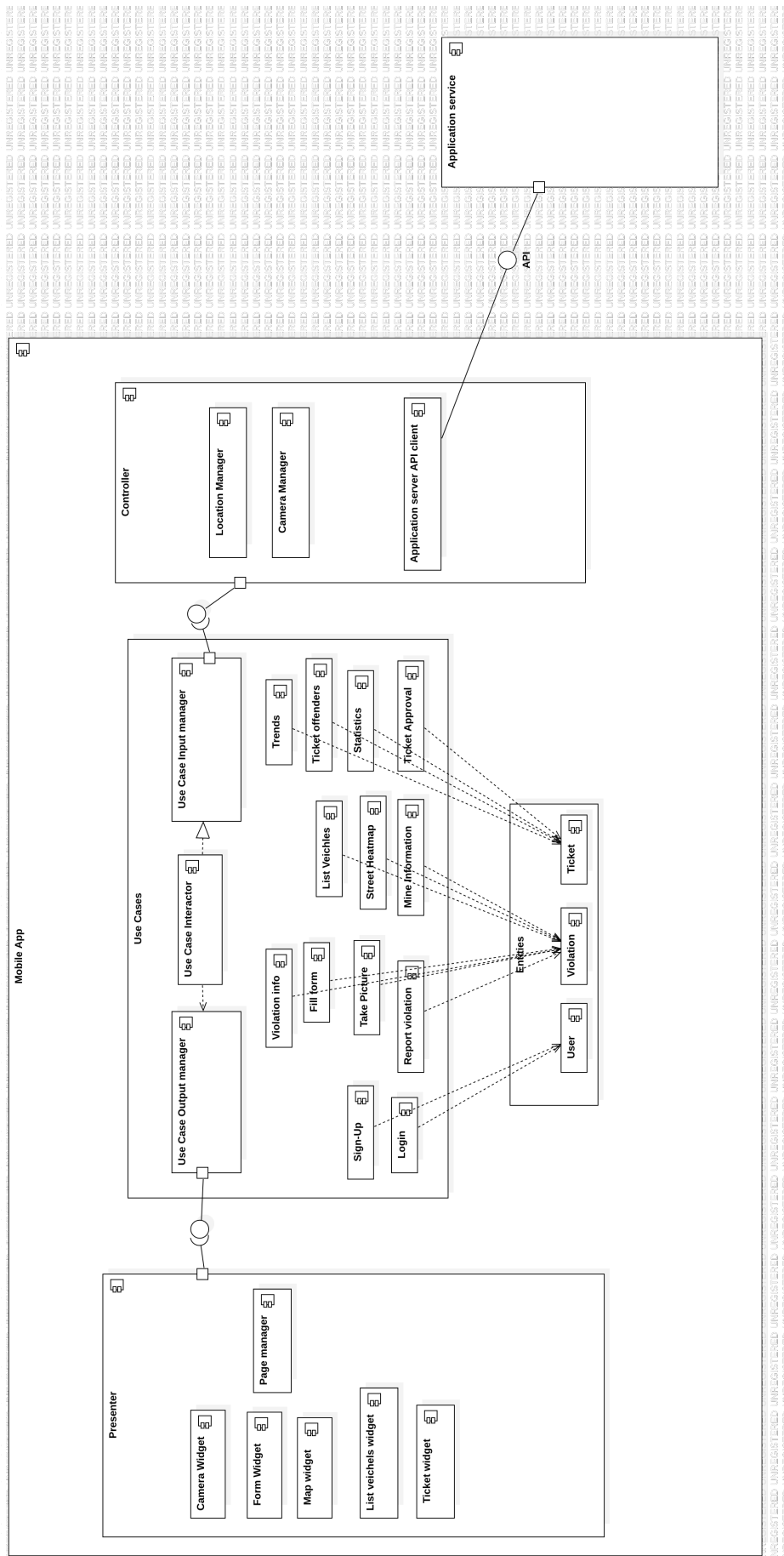


Figure 1: Component diagram

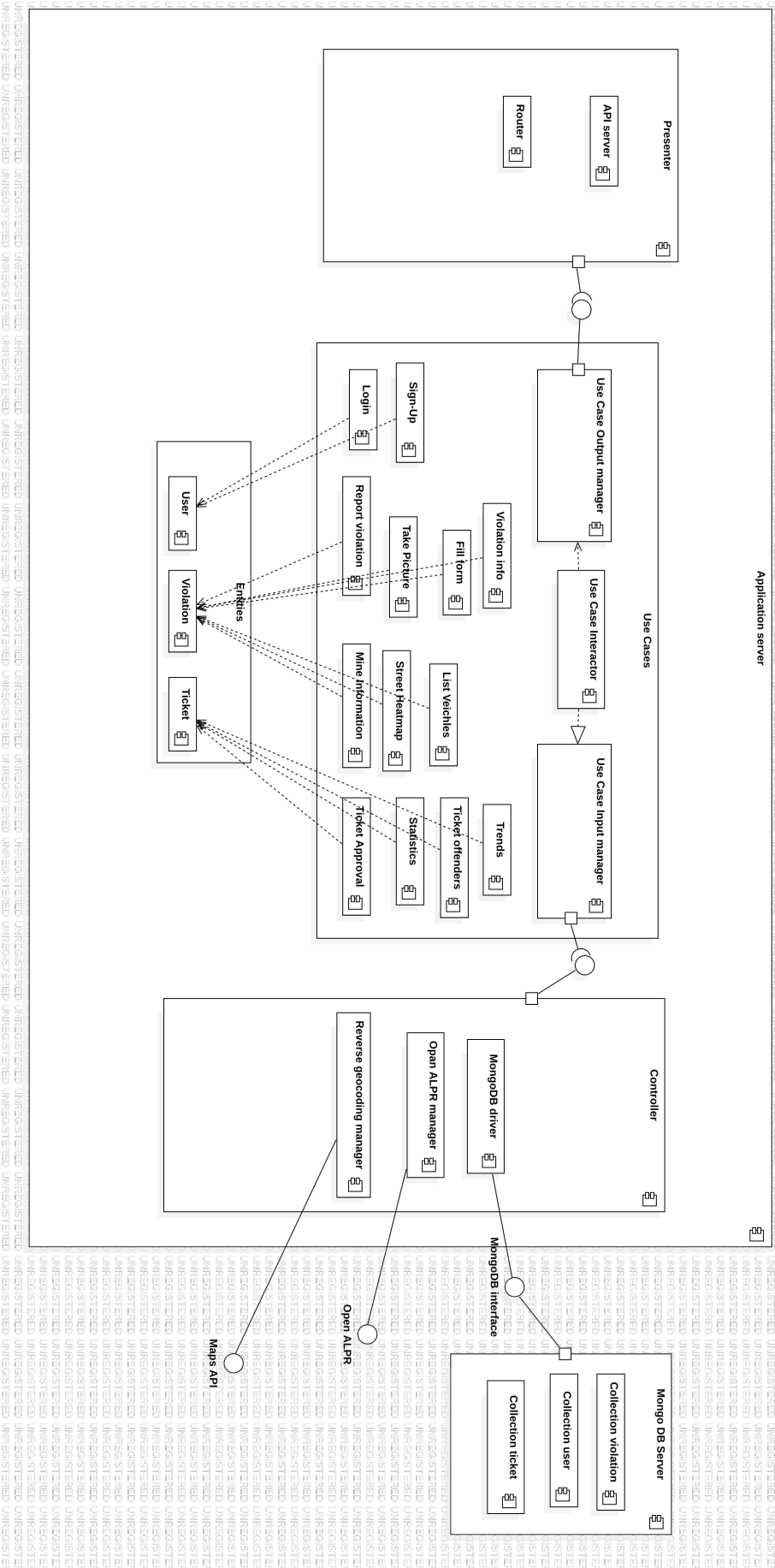


Figure 2: Component diagram

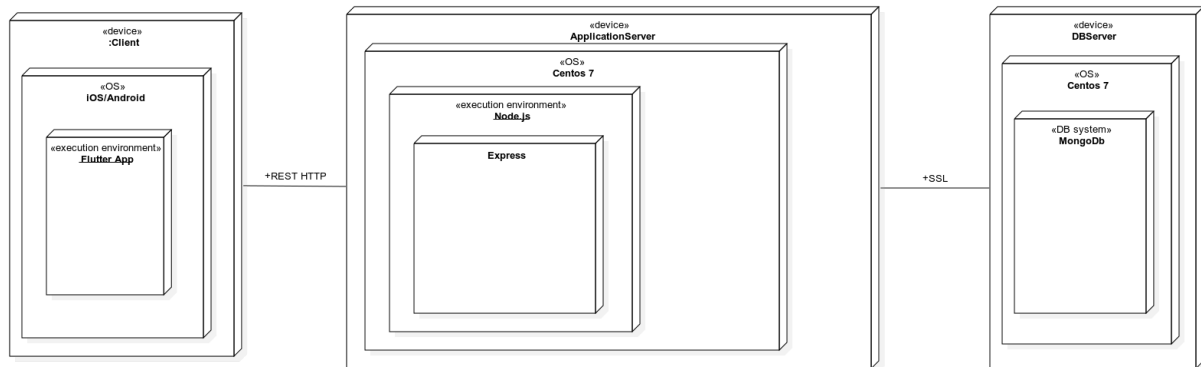


Figure 3: Deployment diagram

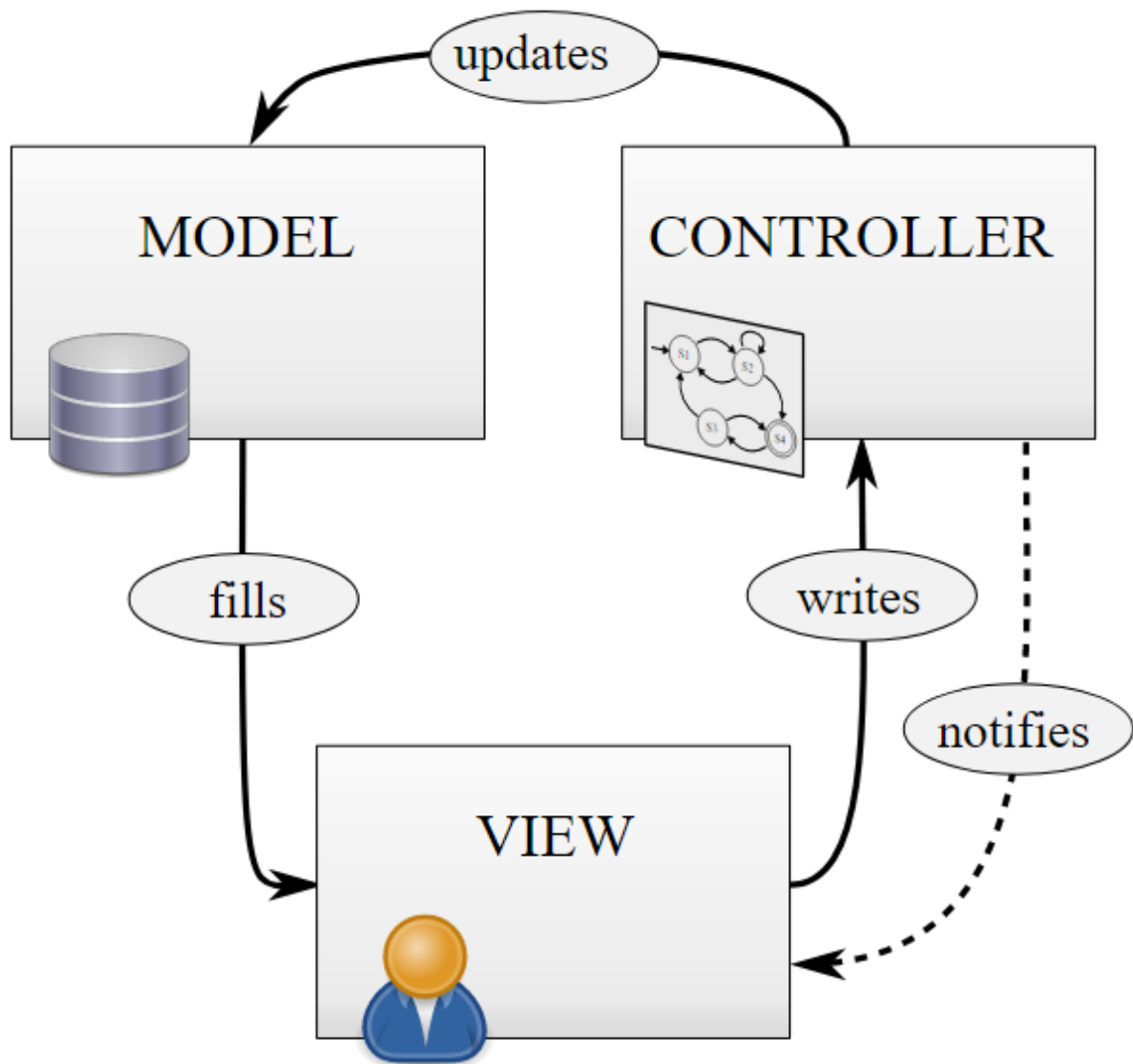


Figure 4: MVC Architectural diagram

2.5.1 Model

The model component stores data and its related logic. It represents data that is being transferred between controller components or any other related business logic. It responds to the request from the views and also responds to instructions from the controller to update itself. It is also the lowest level of the pattern which is responsible for maintaining data. In this project we use MongoDB database to store all the useful data. As well as we will use NODE.JS as the application server to build and run the application.

2.5.2 View

A View is that part of the application that represents the presentation of data. Views are created by the data collected from the model data. A view requests the model to give information so that it resents the output presentation to the user. In order to implement SafeStreet application we are going to use Flutter framework. Flutter helps app developers build cross-platform apps faster by using a single programming language. Although there are some other frameworks to implement cross-platform apps, according to [<https://nevercode.io/blog/flutter-vs-react-native-a-developers-perspective/>] Flutter is more efficient than others and has entered the cross-platform mobile development race very strongly.

2.5.3 Controler

Controler is the mediator between View and Model which hold responsibilities of everything which has to deal with presentation logic in the application. Presenter does the job of querying the Model, updating the View while responding to the user's interactions. It monitors Model and talks to View so that they can handle when a particular View needs to be updated and when to not. In this project we will use Representational state transfer (REST) API in order to communicate between View and Model. REST is the software architectural style of the World Wide Web. REST gives a coordinated set of constraints to the design of components in a distributed hypermedia system that can lead to a higher-performing and more maintainable architecture. To the extent that systems conform to the constraints of REST they can be called RESTful. RESTful systems typically, but not always, communicate over Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) with the same HTTP verbs (GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, etc.) which web browsers use to retrieve web pages and to send data to remote servers. We have decided this API because it guarantees to achieve important non-functional requirements such as:

- Scalability: every node belonging to our architecture can be multiplied without redesign the whole system.
- Portability: Every platform it's able to interact with the server since it's just a matter of HTTP request and JSON response.
- Reliability: If suddenly an instance crashes, the load balancer detaches it and will be replaced by a new one automatically.

2.5.4 Why do we use MVP architectural pattern?

Following are some reasons which makes MVP a good architectural pattern for our app:

- Makes debugging easier in Applications: MVP enforces three different layers of abstractions which makes it easier to debug your applications. Moreover, since business logic is completely decoupled from View, it is more easier to perform unit testing while developing your application.

- Enforces better separation of Concerns: MVP does the great job of separating out the business logic and persistence logic out of the Activity and Fragment classes which in turn better enforce good separation of concerns.
- Code Re-usability: In MVP, the code can be better reused since we can have multiple presenters controlling our Views. This is more important as we definitely don't want to rely on a single presenter to control our different Views.

2.6 Other design decisions

3 User Interface Design

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6 Effort Spent

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Task	Time
Structure of document	1h
Component diagrams and study of REST	2h
Component diag	1h 30 min
Meeting design	1h 30 min
Study clean architecture and DeploymentDiagram1	3h
Study clean architecture	1h
New Component diagrams	3h
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Meeting design	1h 30 min
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