

Save Farmers

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1 Project Description

The Save Farmers App is a marketplace for farmers. This app was presented to us by LTIMindtree. This app's purpose is to aid farmers in selling crops in a faster and more seamless way. Farmers have a lot of difficulty with crops from growing them to selling them. There is a lot of time and effort that goes into the whole process. We with Save Farmers are here to eliminate some of the hassles with selling the crops. Farmers need to sell crops fast to make space for new crops and so crops don't spoil. We are developing an app that can show buyers what a farmer has to sell with all the necessary information so that the buyer can make decisions fast and so the farmer can sell faster. With collaboration with LTIMindtree and farmers, we hope to make farmers' lives better. Farmers live very hard-working lives and we aim to make it easier for them in at least one part of the process.

Features that this app will include to help farmers will be having a large community of buyers that will buy the farmer's crops, an easy and seamless way to post, and a very interactive way to look at data of past posts on the profile page. For the buyers, we will have an excellent search integration, a large number of farmers posting their crops, and a profile page that will showcase past purchases that can aid in recontacting farmers for more crops.

2 User Stories and Scenarios

2.1 User Story 1: Crop Post

U1: As a farmer, I want to post my specific crops for sale, so that I can quickly sell the crops.

Scenario 1: Successful crop post

- Given I am on the crop post page
- When I enter the crop name, price, location, time, etc
- And I click the "Post" button
- Then I should see the listing posted

Scenario 2: Unsuccessful crop post

- Given I am on the crop post page
- When I enter the crop name, price, time, etc
- And I click the "Post" button
- Then I should see the message "Missing An Input On The Post"

2.2 User Story 2: Crop Posts

U2: As a farmer, I want to see all of my posts of crops for sale, so that I can see what crops I have already posted.

Scenario 1: Having posted crops

- Given I am on the "My Crops" page

- Then I should see all of my crop postings

Scenario 2: Not having any posted crops

- Given I am on the “My Crops” page
- Then I should see no crops posted

2.3 User Story 3: Editing Crop Post

U3: As a farmer, I want to edit the post of my specific crops that are currently for sale, so that there is no miscommunication between me (the farmer) and the buyer.

Scenario 1: Successfully deleted crop post

- Given I am on the “My Crops” page
- When I find that crop I want to delete
- And I click the "Delete" button on that crop post
- Then I should see that the listing is no longer on the “My Crops” and “Search” pages

Scenario 2: Editing crop post

- Given I am on the “My Crops” page
- When I find that crop I want to edit
- And I click the "Edit" button on that crop post
- And I changed the field that needed editing
- And I click the "Save" button on that crop post
- Then I should see that the listing has changed on the “My Crops” and “Search” pages

2.4 User Story 4: Crop Search

U4: As a buyer, I want to search for specific crops by name, so that I can quickly find and purchase the crops I am interested in.

Scenario 1: Successful crop search

- Given I am on the crop “Search” page

- When I enter the crop name "Tomatoes" in the search bar
- And I click the "Search" button
- Then I should see a list of available "Tomatoes"
- And I should see their prices, quantities, and seller information

Scenario 2: No crops found

- Given I am on the crop “Search” page
- When I enter the crop name "Dragon Fruit" in the search bar
- And I click the "Search" button
- Then I should see the message "No results found for 'Dragon Fruit'"
- And I should remain on the crop search page

2.5 User Story 5: View Crop Details

U5: As a buyer, I want to view detailed information about a specific crop, so that I can make an informed purchasing decision.

Scenario 1: Viewing crop details

- Given I have searched for "Tomatoes"
- And I see a list of available "Tomatoes"
- When I click on a specific listing for "Tomatoes"
- Then I should be taken to the crop details page
- And I should see information such as price, quantity, seller location, and delivery options

Scenario 2: Incomplete crop details

- Given I am on the crop details page for "Tomatoes"
- When the seller has not provided full details (e.g., no quantity listed)
- Then I should see the message "Quantity information not available"
- And I should still be able to view other available information

2.6 User Story 6: Account

U6: As a buyer or seller, I want to be able to create and have an account, so that I can see my profile.

Scenario 1: Making an account

- Given I need to make an account
- When I click “Sign Up”
- Then I can create an account
- And login to use the app’s features

Scenario 2: Looking at account

- Given I want to look at past transaction
- Then I click on the “Profile” button
- Then I will be in my account
- And I can see the past transactions

3 Functional Requirements

Functional Requirement:	Description/Specification:
[FR-1(U6)] User Login	Users should be able to create an account and log in.
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)
[FR-2(U1)] Sellers Posts	Sellers should be able to make posts of the products they are selling.
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)
[FR-3(U4,5)] Seeing Posts	Any user should be able to see the posts that are made by the sellers.
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)
[FR-4(U2,6)] Profile Page	All users should have a profile page that has a history of past transactions.
Priority	Level 1 (High Priority)
[FR-5(U3)] Sellers Editing Posts	Sellers should be able to edit their existing posts.
Priority	Level 1 (High Priority)
[FR-6(U4,5)] Search Filters	All users should be able to make search filters to find what they are looking for easier and faster.
Priority	Level 2 (Medium Priority)

4 Use Case Diagrams and Use Cases

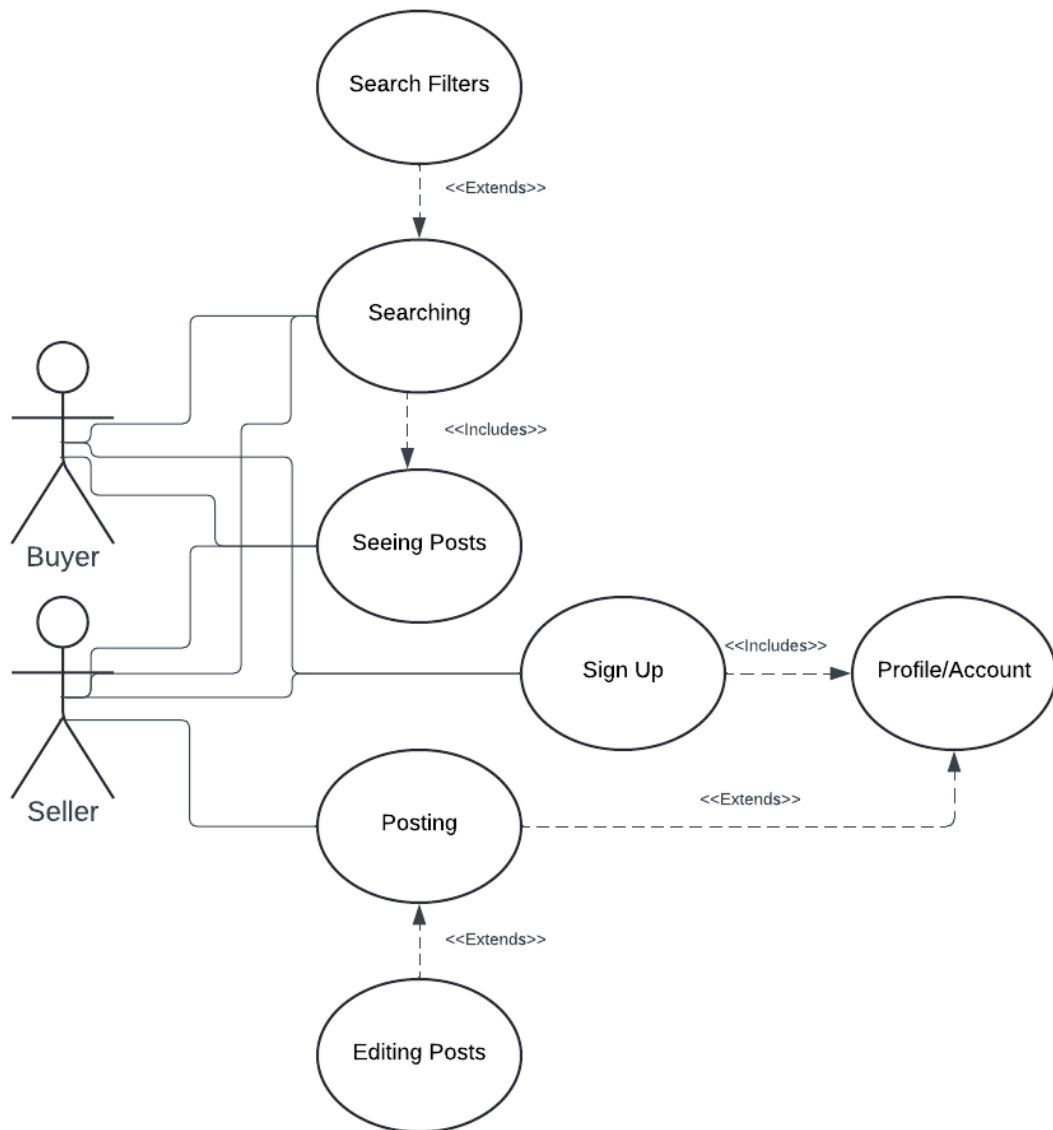


Fig. 1 (Use Case Diagram)

4.1 Use Case 1: Sign Up

- Actors: Seller and Buyer
- Preconditions: None
- Postconditions: Will have an account
- Main Flow:
 - Click Sign Up

- Puts in information about self
 - Now has an account
- Alternative Flow: If not all information is provided, then an account can not be made.
- Related Requirements: FR-1

4.2 Use Case 2: Profile/Account

- Actors: Seller and Buyer
- Preconditions: Sign Up
- Postconditions: Can post and use the account
- Main Flow:
 - Click Profile Button
 - Now they can see their profile
 - And they can use the feature of the app
- Alternative Flow: Without having the profile they can't use the many different features of the app.
- Related Requirements: FR-1, FR-4

4.3 Use Case 3: Posting

- Actors: Seller
- Preconditions: Has Account
- Postconditions: Can post their product
- Main Flow:
 - Click "Post"
 - Fill in information
 - Then click "Submit"
- Alternative Flow: If they don't fill out all of the information the post will be incomplete and won't post.
- Related Requirements: FR-2, FR-4

4.4 Use Case 4: Searching

- Actors: Seller and Buyer
- Preconditions: Has Account
- Postconditions: Can search
- Main Flow:
 - Click Search
 - Will see all available products
 - And can search within them
- Alternative Flow: If no products are available, you won't see anything.
- Related Requirements: FR-3

4.5 Use Case 5: Search Filters

- Actors: Seller and Buyer
- Preconditions: Has Account
- Postconditions: Can search with filters
- Main Flow:
 - Click Search
 - Click Filter
 - Make Filter
 - Click Apply
 - Now they will have their search filtered
- Alternative Flow: If no posts are made, you won't see anything.
- Related Requirements: FR-3, FR-6

4.6 Use Case 6: Seeing Posts

- Actors: Seller and Buyer
- Preconditions: Has Account
- Postconditions: Can see sellers' posts
- Main Flow:
 - Click Posts
 - Now you will see all available posts
- Alternative Flow: If no posts are made, you won't see anything.
- Related Requirements: FR-3

4.7 Use Case 7: Editing Posts

- Actors: Seller
- Preconditions: Has Account
- Postconditions: The user can edit their posts
- Main Flow:
 - Click Profile
 - Then find the post you want to edit
 - Click Edit
 - Then edit the post
 - Then Click Submit
- Alternative Flow: If you don't want to edit the post you don't have to do anything.
- Related Requirements: FR-5

5 Non-functional Requirements

Non-Functional Requirement:	Description:
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[NFR-1] Usability	The system shall be easy to navigate for all users, regardless of technical skill level.
[NFR-2] Availability	The system shall have a consistent uptime so that users can trust the app and use it reliably.
[NFR-3] Scalability	The system shall utilize a modular architecture, enabling individual components to be upgraded or replaced without impacting the overall system functionality.
[NFR-4] Performance	The system shall load pages within 2 seconds under normal traffic conditions.

6 Traceability Matrix

Functional Requirement:	Use Case:	User Story:	Priority:
FR-1: User Login	UC-1: Sign Up	US6: As a user, I want to create an account and log in.	Level 0
FR-2: Sellers Posts	UC-3: Posting	US1: As a seller, I want to post my crops up for sale.	Level 0
FR-3: Seeing Posts	UC-6: Seeing Posts	US4, US5: As a user, I want to see all public crop postings.	Level 0
FR-4: Profile Page	UC-2: Profile/Account	US2, US6: As a user, I want to see my transaction history.	Level 1
FR-5: Seller Editing Posts	UC-7: Editing Posts	US3: As a seller, I want to edit my existing posts.	Level 1
FR-6: Search Filter	UC-5: Search Filters	US4, US5: As a user, I want to be able to search for specific posts.	Level 2

7 Evaluation of Existing Solution

According to our project description, I have 2 existing apps/websites that I can evaluate. Facebook Marketplace is a marketplace where any user of Facebook can post anything for sale, with exceptions. Our app will be more geared toward farmers but use the same concepts. Farmers will be able to post what they have for sale and give a price, and a description of necessary information. Just like Facebook Marketplace, we will have no internal payment options but Facebook does use a messaging app Messenger which could be good to incorporate later into our app. This way we could put out less public information on our app such as phone numbers.

Another website that I will look at is Center Dispatch. That website is geared towards car transport. Central dispatch has brokers that post the cars that need to be moved and shippers that move those cars. On the post the information about what vehicle, price, location, days, and contact number are provided to the shippers. The contact of the shipper to broker and payment are all done outside the website itself. Our app will look more like Central Dispatch. Implementation of payment and messaging within the app is not a priority for us at this moment.

In both of these websites/apps, there is a big issue with user authentication, spam, and resellers. In Facebook Marketplace there is no real way to avoid this and it is solely up to the user to trust the other. While in Central Dispatch some ways/questions could be provided to prove the legitimacy of a shipper/broker outside of the app.

These 2 examples are going to be a big source of inspiration for our app since our sponsor has given us a lot of creative freedom. First keeping in mind the requirements, then implementing useful features and possibly creating our own to benefit farmers.

8 Individual Contributions Summary

- Team Member 1 (Dillon Pikulik): Team Leader. Created documents, coordinated meetings, and communicated with the sponsor.
- Team Member 2 (Eric Vo): Contributed to documents, and created project plan.
- Team Member 3 (Nick Bulakov): Honeymoon (last 2 weeks as of 10/25/24), gave ideas at the first meeting, and has done research regarding different technologies to create this app.

9 System Architecture Design

9.1 Architecture Diagram

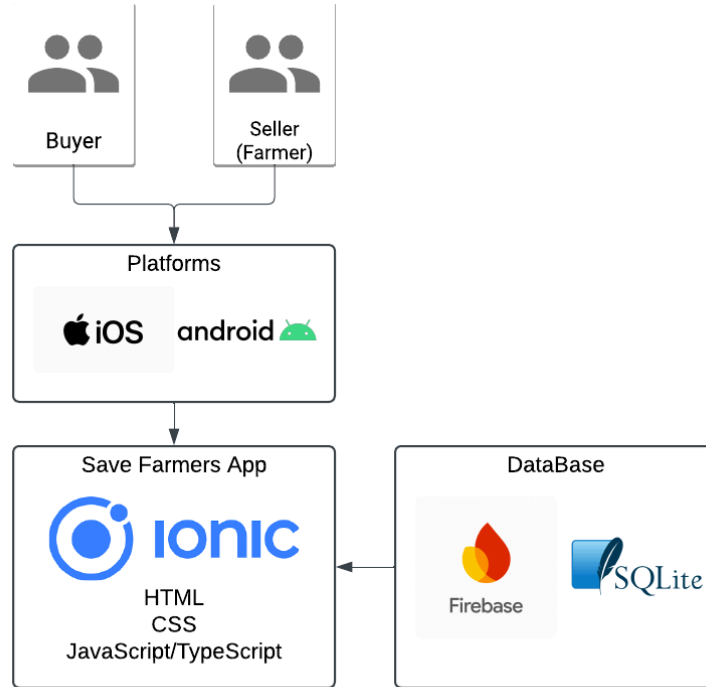


Fig. 2 (Architecture Diagram)

There are two users, the buyer and the seller (Farmers). These users will be able to access the Save Farmers App from Android and IOS (Apple). The app will use a Firebase or Sqlite database. This app will be created first in a local environment therefore we have no web connection and database certainty.

9.2 Behavioral Diagrams (Activity Diagram)

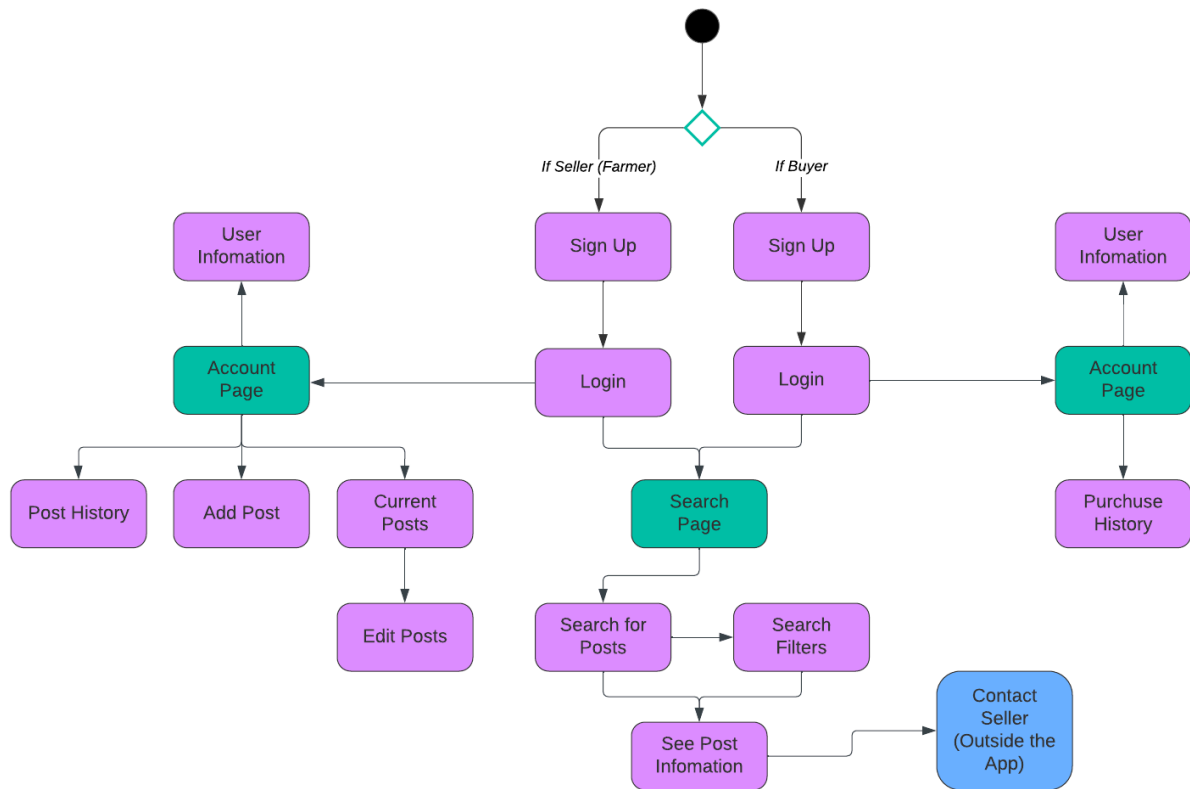


Fig. 3 (Activity Diagram)