

Solution for Exercise 04: E-Scooter Ride-Share System

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1. Agents and Roles

Based on the project scenario, the system involves the interaction between the commuter, the physical scooter, and the backend service.

| Agent | Assigned Role | Description |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Commuter (Human) | Commuter Role | Responsible for the user-side process: registering, reserving the scooter, riding safely, and authorizing payment. |
| E-Scooter (Hardware) | Fleet Manager Role | Handles the physical state of the vehicle (locking/unlocking) and reports real-time status (Idle/Reserved) and location. |
| Backend System (Software) | Payment Processor Role | Manages the logic for account verification, fee computation, and secure financial debiting. |

2. Goals

Functional Goals (FG)

- **FG-01 (Registration):** The system shall allow new commuters to register by validating their personal identity and payment details.
- **FG-02 (Reservation):** The Commuter shall be able to locate an idle scooter and reserve it, changing its status to prevent other users from booking it.
- **FG-03 (Commute):** The Commuter shall be able to unlock the specific scooter and ride to their destination.
- **FG-04 (End Ride):** The system shall detect when the user terminates the ride and immediately lock the scooter.
- **FG-05 (Payment):** The system shall automatically calculate the final fee and debit the registered payment method without manual intervention.

Quality Goals (QG)

- **QG-01 (Data Accuracy):** The status of all scooters (Idle vs. Reserved) must be updated in real-time to avoid synchronization errors.
- **QG-02 (Billing Precision):** The ride fee calculation must be mathematically precise based on the exact duration recorded by the backend.
- **QG-03 (Security):** Commuter payment details must be stored securely and only accessed during the automatic debit process.

3. Ride Cost Computation

The system implements a **Time-Based pricing strategy**.

$$\text{TotalFee} = \text{UnlockFee} + (\text{Duration}_{\text{minutes}} \times \text{Rate}_{\text{min}})$$

| Variable | Description | Example |
|-----------|--|------------|
| UnlockFee | A fixed starting fee | €1.00 |
| Duration | Time difference between Unlock and End Ride (rounded up) | 15 minutes |
| Rate | Per-minute usage cost | €0.20 |

4. AOM Behavioral Interface Model (BIM)

The Behavioral Interface Model illustrates the dynamic interaction between roles, consistent with the Leaf Goals defined in the Goal Model.

Process Flow:

1. **Registration/Reservation:** The Commuter creates an account or reserves an Idle scooter.
2. **Unlock:** Upon successful reservation, the Fleet Manager unlocks the hardware.
3. **Commute:** The Commuter uses the vehicle.
4. **End Ride:** The user ends the session, prompting the Fleet Manager to lock the device.
5. **Payment:** The Payment Processor calculates the fee and debits the account.



Figure 1: Behavioral Interface Model - State Diagram showing ride lifecycle

5. Goal Hierarchy Diagram (3-Level Tree)

The following diagram shows the hierarchical decomposition of goals with 3 levels as required by the assignment.

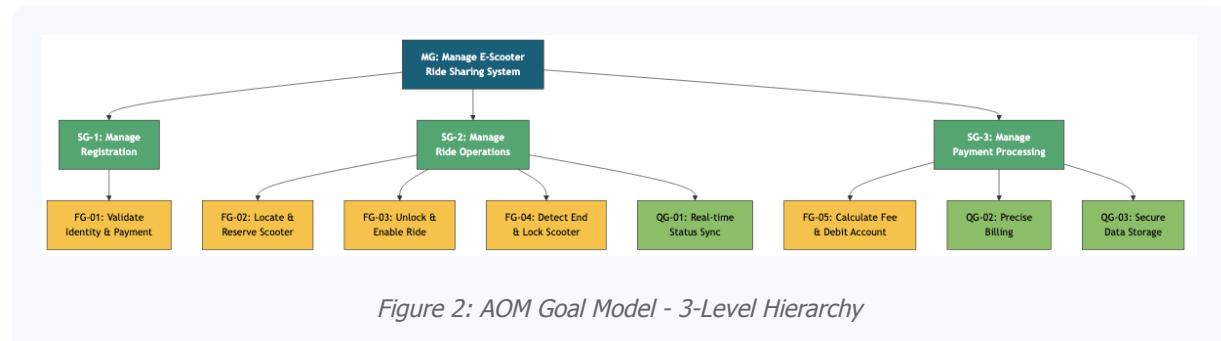


Diagram Legend: ● Level 1 (Blue): Main System Goal ● Level 2 (Green): Sub-Goals
● Level 3 (Yellow): Functional Goals ● Level 3 (Light Green): Quality Goals

Summary

This solution presents a comprehensive Agent-Oriented Model for an E-Scooter Ride-Share System:

- Three primary agents with distinct roles (Commuter, Fleet Manager, Payment Processor)
- Functional and quality goals ensuring system effectiveness and reliability
- A transparent time-based pricing model with clear formula
- A behavioral interface model illustrating the complete ride lifecycle
- A 3-level goal hierarchy diagram showing goal decomposition