

SYSTEM FLOW

Work-Scheduling Platform — System Flow & API

How to Run (quick ref)

- Unzip file
- cd into the folder and run the command below

```
#Command to start the application  
docker compose up -d --build
```

```
#Command to stop the application  
docker compose down -v
```

- UI → <http://localhost:3000>
- API → <http://localhost:8080/api>

Overview

A lightweight logistics dispatcher where **drivers** start a shift and receive **loads** (pickup → drop-off), and **admins** create loads and track status. The server auto-dispatches loads to eligible on-shift drivers and tracks progress through stops.

- Tech: Spring Boot (Java 21), React + Vite, Postgres + PostGIS, Docker Compose.
 - UIs: `/driver` (driver flow) and `/admin` (admin flow).
 - Persistence: Drivers, Shifts, Loads; Flyway migrations (V1-V4).
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Driver Flow (Frontend → Backend)

1) Login

- **Endpoint:** `POST /api/drivers/login`

Body:

```
{ "username": "alex" }
```

Responses:

- `201 Created` + `Location: /api/drivers/{id}` + **DriverDto** (new driver)
- `200 OK` + **DriverDto** (existing)
- **DriverDto:**

```
{ "id":"UUID", "name":"alex", "onShift":false, "latitude":null, "longitude":null }
```

- **Frontend:** Store `driver.id`, route to the Shift screen.

2) Shift Management

2a) Start shift → fetch assignment

1. Start Shift

`POST /api/drivers/{driverId}/shift/start`

Body:

```
{ "latitude": 40.01499, "longitude": -105.27055 }
```

Response: `200 OK` (shift opened; may or may not have an assignment yet)

2. Get Driver Assignment

`GET /api/drivers/{driverId}/assignment`

Responses:

- `200 OK` + **LoadSummaryDto** (load becomes `RESERVED` , `currentStop="PICKUP"`)
- `204 No Content` (no suitable load yet)
- **Frontend guidance:**

While on shift without a load, poll:

- `GET /api/drivers/{driverId}/state` every 10–20s
- `GET /api/drivers/{driverId}/assignment` every 20–30s with jitter

2b) Already on shift → show state

- **Endpoint:** `GET /api/drivers/{driverId}/state`

Response:

```
{
  "driver": {"id":"UUID","name":"alex","onShift":true,"latitude":40.01499,"longitude":-105.27055},
  "shift": {"id":"UUID","startedAt":"ISO","startLat":40.01499,"startLng":-105.27055},
  "load": {
    "id":"UUID",
    "status":"RESERVED|IN_PROGRESS",
    "currentStop":"PICKUP|DROPOFF",
    "pickup":{"lat":...,"lng":...},
    "dropoff":{"lat":...,"lng":...},
    "assignedDriver":{"id":"UUID","name":"alex"}
  }
}
```

- **Frontend:**
 - If `load=null` : show **End shift** + **Get assignment**.

- If `status="RESERVED"` : show **Complete Next Stop (pickup) + Reject**.
 - If `status="IN_PROGRESS"` : show **Complete Next Stop (drop-off)**.
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3) Load Progress

3a) Complete next stop (acceptance is implicit)

- **Endpoint:** `POST /api/drivers/{driverId}/complete-next-stop`

Body: none

Response:

```
{
  "completed": {
    "loadId": "51a615e6-0bfc-4e39-9b89-7092016308e2",
    "pickupLat": 40.01499,
    "pickupLng": -105.27055,
    "dropoffLat": 39.7392,
    "dropoffLng": -104.9903,
    "status": "IN_PROGRESS",
    "nextStop": "DROPOFF"
  },
  "nextAssignment": null}
```

- Semantics:
 - Completing **PICKUP → IN_PROGRESS**: `nextStop="DROPOFF"` , `nextAssignment=null` .
 - Completing **DROPOFF → COMPLETED**: server **immediately** searches for a new load and returns it as `nextAssignment` .

- **Timeout rule (current impl):**

If a driver **fails to complete the pickup within 2 minutes**, the system automatically **unassigns** the load and marks the driver off-shift.

In real deployments, this timeout would be much longer (e.g. 30–60 minutes), but 2 minutes was used for demonstration/testing.

3b) Reject load (only before pickup)

- **Endpoint:** `POST /api/drivers/{driverId}/loads/{loadId}/stops/reject`
Effect: Unassigns load (→ `AWAITING_DRIVER`) **and ends the driver's shift.**
Response: `200 OK`
- **Frontend:** `GET /state` shows off-shift.

4) End shift (no active load)

- **Endpoint:** `POST /api/drivers/{driverId}/shift/end`
Precondition: Driver has **no** active load.
Responses: `200 OK` or `409 Conflict`
- **Frontend:** After success, `GET /state` → off-shift.

Admin Flow

Create Load

- **Endpoint:** `POST /api/loads`

Body:

```
{
  "pickup": { "lat": 39.7392, "lng": -104.9903 },
  "dropoff": { "lat": 33.4484, "lng": -112.0740 }
}
```

- **Server behavior:**
 1. Creates load with `AWAITING_DRIVER` and `currentStop="PICKUP"` .

2. **Auto-dispatch** runs immediately: finds nearest on-shift, unassigned driver; sets `RESERVED`. If none available, stays `AWAITING_DRIVER`.

- **Frontend:**

- After 201, refresh `GET /api/loads` to see new load and assigned driver (if any).
- Drivers discover new loads via `/state` polling.

Load queries

- **List Loads:** `GET /api/loads?status=AWAITING_DRIVER|RESERVED|IN_PROGRESS|COMPLETED`
Response: `200 OK` + `LoadSummaryDto[]`
- **Get by Id:** `GET /api/loads/{id}` → `200 OK` or `404 Not Found`
- **(Optional) Drivers list:** `GET /api/drivers` → `200 OK` with `onShift` /last location.

Dispatch Logic

- Triggered on:
 - Driver starts shift.
 - Admin creates load.
 - Driver completes drop-off.
- Strategy: closest driver to pickup (PostGIS KNN).
- Auto-unassign rule: reserved load → if **pickup not completed in 2 minutes**, unassign and end shift.

Known Edge Cases

- End shift with active load → `409 Conflict`.
- Reject after pickup not allowed.
- Refresh/browser close → driver state restored via `GET /state`.
- Double-dispatch avoided via DB transaction & locks.

If I Had More Time (Next Steps)

Backend

- Add **Swagger/OpenAPI docs** for clear endpoint usage.
- Improve **error and exception handling** (currently minimal).
- **Code cleanup**: inline comments, consistent naming, remove debug logs.
- **Testing**: expand unit & integration test coverage with meaningful test cases.
- Authentication & roles for Admin vs Driver.
- Better observability (metrics, traces, health endpoints).
- More advanced dispatch (ETA, priority loads).

Database

- PostGIS routing functions (`ST_DistanceSphere` with road network data).
- Enforce one active shift per driver with partial indexes.

Frontend

- More map visualization (routes, real-time driver markers).
- State machine to model driver/load lifecycle.
- UI feedback: toast notifications, clearer error states.

Sequence Diagram

