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Abstract

Our project's main aim is to develop a system that allows the user to generate the system architecture diagram along with other UML diagrams. The diagrams will be based on the system requirements provided by the user. The technology of the modern day is very fast-paced and constantly developing. Due to this, the development process is forced to speed up and suffers in quality. This is why system architecture and UML diagrams are of the utmost importance because due to them, quality products are made. Hence, we aim to bridge the gap between the user and system architects, and in doing so, we streamline the whole process.

The core functionality of the system revolves fully around taking the user requirements from the user through a user-friendly interface. Our project aims to provide flexibility and ease of communication hence we will be taking requirements from the user in natural language form. The system will prase these requirements and analyze the key elements in the requirements such as functionalities, context, constraints, and dependencies within them.

The next involves the usage of machine learning algorithms that will match the requirements and their finding to suitable components. These components will represent the modules of the system thus generating an optimized system architecture. We will also consider factors like scalability, performance, and cost-effectiveness to ensure the system meets the user's needs in an effective manner.

Once the diagrams have been generated, they will be represented in an editable environment where the user is able to change the diagram, add new components etc., to their liking. Feedback from the user will also be noted and thus, this will enable iterative improvement and refinements.

From this project, we want the user to be able to clearly articulate their needs in the form of requirements and turn them into visual representations tailored to their needs. Our work and findings hope to contribute in the development process of systems related to various domains.

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1 Introduction

It has been seen that when engineers are dealt with translating user needs into a well-defined system that reflects those requirements, the process seems to be quite complex and has a lot of chance for error. Moreover, developing these diagrams is crucial in order to make a successful and quality product. Since this process has the potential for a lot of errors and is complex in nature, it requires a lot of time to get it right. This is where our project comes in, we are proposing the development of a Requirement-Based System Architecture Generator hence automating and streamlining the tedious process of requirement analysis and making system diagrams out of them.

1.1 Objectives:

The project aims to develop a system that is capable of processing/understanding/contextualizing a given set of requirements and generating multiple visual models such as System architecture along with other UML diagrammatic representations such as use cases and activity diagram.

The main objectives of the proposed software include:

- i. **Development of user-friendly interface:** To make System accessible and easy to use, the project aims to develop an appealing and user-friendly interface that is highly easy to use.
- ii. **Incorporate Natural language processing techniques(NLP):** Utilization of NLP algorithms is a primary focus of the project. The process will be done to analyze user requirements, extract key information, and understand the context.
- iii. **Generating Diagram through Machine Learning:** Adopting Machine Learning algorithms to build suitable components that are well optimized in generating system architecture and other diagrams.
- iv. **Representation of Diagram:** Provide visual representations and documentation of the generated architectures for better understanding and communication.

1.2 Problem Statement

Automate the process of requirement analysis and system architecture generation in software engineering. Assist the development team by increasing efficiency, and accuracy and mitigating costs in the design phase.

1.3 Assumptions & Constraints

1.3.1 Assumptions

The project aims to tackle the task of generating system architecture from given system requirements. Although this is a hefty task we expect to fulfil this by assuming the following.

- Assuming that User understands the need and importance of software architecture andits role in the software development life cycle(SDLC).
- Assuming that users are familiar with the terminology and notations imposed by our software regarding system architectures along with their elements and components.
- Assuming that users are comfortable working in a desktop application.
- Assuming that the provided dataset of requirements does not contain any contradictions within therequirements
- Assuming that the user will follow the guidelines during the use of software.

1.3.2 Constraints

The following constraints must be considered to ensure the success of the project.

- The projects that we are using to train the model are different in nature in terms of their domain and their system architecture.
- Some projects have an insufficient number of requirements reflecting the modules.
- The inability to conduct extensive testing poses a notable constraint.
- Providing an intuitive user interface to users is very important as that directly relates to one
 of the core functionalities.

1.4 Project Scope

1.4.1 Included:

- ✓ Development of an automated system for generating diagrams from user-provided requirements.
- ✓ Creation of a user-friendly web-based interface for inputting requirements and interacting with System.
- ✓ Integration of NLP libraries for tokenizing and parsing user requirements.
- ✓ Development of machine learning models to optimize system architectures.
- ✓ Implementation of algorithms for automatically generating activity and use case diagrams.
- ✓ Integration of visualization tools for visualizing generated architectures and diagrams.
- ✓ Automated generation of comprehensive documentation for architectures.
- ✓ Adoption of an agile development methodology for iterative development.

1.4.2 Not Included:

- **♣** Extensive testing beyond basic validation.
- **♣** Deployment in a production environment.
- Ongoing maintenance and support beyond the project timeframe.
- ♣ Advanced NLP or ML techniques.
- Extensive user testing with diverse user groups.

2 Requirements Analysis

2.1 Literature review / Existing system study

2.1.1 Literature review

In the area of research, many researches have made significant advancements in systems that generate automated UML diagrams from user requirements. For instance,

- 1. **Zhong et al.** (2023) [1] proposed an approach utilizing NLP techniques to generate Systems Modelling Language (**SysML**) diagrams from unstructured text, streamlining the requirements analysis process.
- Similarly, Deeptimahanti and Babar (2009) [2] developed UMGAR which stands for UML Model generator from analysis of requirements i.e a handsome tool leveraging NLP and domain ontology techniques for the development of various UML models from user requirements.
- 3. **Priyanka More and Rashmi Phalnikar** (2012) [3] introduced "**RAPID**," which is tool for automatically generating UML diagrams from user requirements and specifications and whose main aim is to focus on enhancing the efficiency and accuracy of requirements analysis.
- 4. **Richa** et al. (2014) [4] proposed a structured approach for converting user requirements into some intermediate structural representation i.e **frames** and then, using those intermediate structures to transform into behavioural UML models..
- 5. **MYL Gamage** (2023) [5] proposed an automated application which employs a novel pipeline for information extraction and diagram generation, incorporating a custom Named Entity Recognition Model and a **Masked BERT Relation Classifier** along with shallow heuristics and a **knowledge graph** for diagram relation mapping.

2.1.2 Existing Studies

Recent advancements have led to innovative applications facilitating automated diagram generation from textual descriptions. For instance,

1) **Eraser Diagram GPT (diagramgpt):** A tool powered by Eraser, allowing users to generate diagrams from natural language descriptions effortlessly. It's ideal for quickly visualizing concepts without manual drawing.

¹ DiagramGPT – Powered by Eraser

- 2) **Mermaid.js**²: A JavaScript library for creating diagrams and flowcharts from textual descriptions using a simple syntax. It's versatile, supporting various diagram types like flowcharts, sequence diagrams, and Gantt charts, and can be integrated into web applications or documentation systems.
- 3) **PlantUML**³: A text-based tool for generating UML diagrams with a human-readable syntax. Users write UML diagrams in plain text, and PlantUML automatically renders them into visual diagrams. It supports a wide range of UML diagram types and can be used standalone or integrated into other platforms.

2.2 Stakeholder List

2.2.1 User:

User-targeted are software engineers who have knowledge of software system diagrams, their notations, and their meanings.

2.2.2 Developing Team:

The developing team consists of three software engineering students under the guidance of a Professor.

2.3 Requirement Elicitationa

2.3.1 Functional Requirements

Export Sub-Module

User Registration (FR01):

Table 1: Functional Requirements

Export to Multiple Formats (FR1):

FR1-01	System will enable users to export generated diagrams in a variety of file formats, including but not limited to XML, PNG, Json, Mermaid.js.
FR1-02	Users will have the flexibility to choose the most appropriate format for their specific requirements, as outlined above.

Feedback on Export Completion (FR2):

FR2-01	System will deliver appropriate feedback to User upon successful completion of the export process.
FR2-02	System shall display confirmation messages indicating that Diagrams have been exported successfully and are ready for opening or sharing.

² https://mermaid.js.org/intro/

³ https://www.plantuml.com/plantuml/uml/SyfFKj2rKt3CoKnELR1Io4ZDoSa70000

Download Files (FR03):

FR03-01	System will allow the user to download the specific file he choose he want to
	export.

XML Architecture Generator:

Input Requirements (FR04):

FR04-01	System shall extract the elements from the parsed requirements.
FR04-02	System shall identify the dependencies, interactions and constraints from the requirements to establish the relationships between different components and modules.

XML Representation (FR05):

FR05-01	System shall define constraints, data types and structure schema for representing architecture elements, relationships and attributes using XML.
FR05-02	System shall map extracted requirements and relationships onto the defined schema.
FR05-03	System shall establish correspondences between system requirements and XML elements, relationships and attributes.
FR05-04	System shall generate JSON documents based on the mapped architecture model.
FR05-05	System shall validate the generated JSON documents against the defined schema.
FR05-06	System shall support customization and extension of the schema to accommodate domain-specific and requirements and architectural patterns if any.

XML Architecture Representation/Diagram Generator:

Input Components (FR06):

FR06-01	System shall accept XLSX documents containing architecture Requirement as input.
FR06-02	System shall parse the document to extract components, modules, submodules, entities, relationships and attributesnetwork.

Diagrammatic representation (FR07):

FR07-01	System shall use libraries to map the extracted network of architecture modelinto a graphical representation.

Editor / Canvas

User Interface (FR08):

FR08-01	System shall provide users with a user-friendly and intuitive interface thatcan be used for editing the generated diagram.
FR08-02	System shall allow User to zoom in and zoom out diagrams dependingupon the view they want.
FR08-03	System shall allow Users to drag and drop components and connectors.

Diagram Creating (FR09):

FR09-01	System shall also allow User to create diagrams from scratch.						
FR09-02	System shall provide Users with predefined templates and architectural patterns that they will be able to customize (e.g., client-server, pipes and filters,layered, etc).						
FR09-03	System shall provide User with a sidebar that has multiple shape options such as rectangles, ellipses, hexagons, etc, and connectors such as arrows, lines, etc.						

Diagram Customization/Editing (FR10):

FR10-02	System shall allow Users to write and edit text in any shape or outside of the shapes.					
FR10-03	System shall allow User to delete and duplicate the components in Diagram.					
FR10-04	System shall facilitate User with different fonts and text styles such asbold, italic, and underlined.					

Diagram Handling (FR11):

FR11-01	System shall allow User to save their diagram locally to System.
FR11-02	System shall allow Users to delete Diagrams created.

Import Sub-Module

Import Natural Language Requirements (FR12):

FR12-01	System will allow users to import natural language Functional requirements.						
FR12-02	System shall support multiple file formats for input file namely excel spreadsheets (.xlsx), and CSV files (.csv).						
FR12-03	If a user attempts to upload a file format not specified above, System must promptly notify User that the requirement extraction may not be feasible from this file format.						

Parse Imported Requirements (FR13):

FR13-01	System shall parse the imported document to extract functional requirements for subsequent processing.				
FR13-02	If the document does not contain any functional requirements, System must notifyUser to either include functional requirements in the document or upload another file.				

Validate Imported Requirements (FR14):

FR14-01	System shall conduct validation checks on the imported requirements to ensuretheir completeness and correctness.			
FR14-02	System will promptly alert users to any identified issues or inconsistencies in the imported requirements and offer guidance for resolution.			

User Confirmation (FR15):

FR15-01	System will provide users with the option to review and confirm the imported requirements before proceeding with diagram generation
FR15-02	Additionally, it will allow users to make adjustments or corrections to the imported requirements as necessary.

Customization Options (FR16):

FR16-01	System shall provide customization options for users to specify additionalmetadata or annotations associated with imported requirements.
FR16-02	Furthermore, it shall allow users to categorize, prioritize, or add tags to imported requirements for organizational purposes.

2.3.2 Non-Functional Requirements

Table 2: Non-Functional Requirements

Requirement Number	Description
NFR01	System must consistently respond within 2 seconds for all user interactions.
NFR02	System needs to be available at least 90% of the time to ensure reliability.
NFR03	The should undergo testing to ensure robustness and reliability.
NFR05	Version No. control using Git will streamline collaboration among developers and track
	changes effectively.
NFR06	System must log all errors with time stamps and detailed error messages.
NFR08	Detailed error logging and reporting facilitate efficient issue resolution, enhancingoverall system reliability.

2.3.3 Traceability Matrix

Table 3: Requirements Traceability Matrix

Req No	Requirement Name	Sequence No	Activity No	Use Case No		Project Objective No	Resource Allocation	Test Case ID
FR01	Export to Multiple Formats	SD02	AD02	USD05	Enhance interoperability and usability by supporting multiple export formats	iv	Nouman	TC_15
FR02	Feedback on Export Completion	N/A	AD02	USD05	Ensure user satisfaction and confidence through export feedback	iv	Abdullah	TC_16
FR03	Download Files	SD01	N/A	US07	Enhance user engagement and interaction through seamless download files functionalities.	i	Abdullah, Javeria	TC_02
FR04	Input Requirement	SD01	AD02	USD14	Ensure reliability and accuracy of imported requirements	i, ii, v	Nouman	TC_03
FR05	JSON Representation	SD03	AD02	USD06	Streamline the process of generating XML-based architecture	iii	Abdullah	TC_05
FR06	Input Components	SD01	AD02	USD14	Enhance low coupling and high cohesion	iii	Javeria	TC_06
FR07	Diagrammatic representation	SD03	AD04	USD19	Facilitate collaboration and communication through visual representations	iv	Javeria, Abdullah	TC_07

FR08	User Interface	SD04	AD05	USD19	Enhance user engagement by providing intuitive editing capabilities	iv, v	Abdullah	N/A
FR09	Diagram Creating	N/A	AD04	USD03	Enhance usability and customization options for users	iii, iv	Javeria	TC_08
FR10	Diagram Customization/Edi ting	SD04	AD03	USD02	Enhance user satisfaction with interactions	iv	Abdullah	TC_09
FR11	Diagram Handling	SD04	N/A	USD02	Enhance usability by auutomatically saving Diagram	iv	Javeria	TC_10
FR12	Import Natural Language Requirements	SD01	AD02	USD01	Improve user experience by enabling import of natural language requirements	ii, iv	Nouman	TC_11
							Nouman,	
FR13	Parse Imported Requirements	SD01	AD02	USD01	Enhance efficiency by automating parsing of imported requirements		Javeria	TC_12
FR14	Validate Imported Requirements	SD01	AD02	USD01	Ensure data quality and completeness by validating imported requirements	ii	Abdullah	TC_13
FR15	User Confirmation	N/A	AD02	N/A	Enhance user control and accuracy through user confirmation of imported requirements		Javeria	TC_14
FR16	CustomizationOpti ons	N/A	AD02	N/A	Improve user customization and control over exported diagrams	iv	Javeria	TC_15

2.4 Use case descriptions

Table 4: Use Case Descriptions

Use Case Name:	Import Natural Language Requirements	
Use Case ID:	US01	
Actors:	User, System	
Summary:	Allowing User to import their desired system requirements in various formats.	
Pre - Condition(s):	 User possesses a document that has System requirements. User has access to our system. 	
Post - Condition(s):	The requirements have been successfully imported for System to generate the architecture.	
Inputs:	A document containing System requirements in a supported format.	
Outputs:	Successfully parsed requirements of System ready to be further processed.	
Normal flow:	 User chooses the "Import Requirements Document" option. User then browses and uploads the desired document containingthe requirements. System parses it, verifies it, and then extracts the functional requirements. 	
Exception:	If the document is not in the supported format or if the parsed document does not contain any requirement, System notifies User through a prompt indicating the exact error.	

Use Case Name:	Diagram Customization and Editing	
Use Case ID:	US02	
Actors:	User	
Summary:	System allows User to customize and edit the generated diagrams according to their need.	
Pre - Condition(s):	User has access to Diagram and the editing environment.	
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram will be customized according to preference of User.	
Inputs:	User preference for customization (e.g., resizing, color changes, font changes).	
Outputs:	Customized and edited diagram.	
Normal flow:	 User accesses the editing interface. There User sees many options regarding color, size, text, connections, shapes, etc. User selects the desired options and applies them to Diagram. The changes are reflected in Diagram. 	
Exception:	None	

Use Case Name:	Generate JSON diagrams	
Use Case ID:	US04	
Actors:	System	
Summary:	JSON diagrams are generated based on the requirements mapped.	
Pre - Condition(s):	 The document is uploaded. Requirements are properly mapped and diagrams are ready to be generated. 	
Post - Condition(s):	JSON diagrams generated.	
Inputs:	Mapped diagram model, Requirements	
Outputs:	JSON diagram	
Normal flow:	 System receives the requirements and parses the information. System then maps the requirements. System receives the mapped diagram model ready to be used. The JSON diagrams are generated. Diagrams generated are validated against the defined schema.	
Exception:	If System fails to generate Diagram due to errors during mapping foundduring validation, System promptly notifies User.	

Use Case Name:	Export to Multiple Formats	
Use Case ID:	US05	
Actors:	User, System	
Summary:	Users export the generated diagram in various file formats.	
Pre - Condition(s):	Diagram is generated and is to the liking of User.	
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram is exported in the desired format.	
Inputs:	User choice for export format.	
Outputs:	Exported diagram.	
Normal flow:	 User clicks on the "Export Diagram" option. User then selects the format desired for the export. System then exports progress through a bar. Once it's done, System notifies User that Diagram hasbeen exported according to the desired format. 	
Exception:	If the export procedure fails (due to any technicality), System notifies User and prompts them to try again.	

Use Case Name:	Validate Generated JSON diagram	
Use Case ID:	US06	
Actors:	System	
Summary:	System validates the generated JSON diagram defined against some schema.	
Pre - Condition(s):	JSON diagram is generated.	
Post - Condition(s):	JSON diagram is fully validated.	
Inputs:	JSON diagram.	
Outputs:	Validated JSON diagram.	
Normal flow:	 System receives the generated JSON diagram. System then compares the structure and components against the defined schema. Validation checks are performed and in case of valid architecture, System notifies User. 	
Exception:	If System fails to validate Diagram or finds some inconsistencies or discrepancies, System notifies User and highlights the fault.	

Use Case Name:	Save Diagram
Use Case ID:	US07
Actors:	User
Summary:	Allowing User to save their diagram for access in the future
Pre - Condition(s):	Diagram has been created/generated.
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram will be saved and will be accessible in the future.
Inputs:	Diagram to be saved.
Outputs:	Saved diagram file location.
Normal flow:	 User initiates the save operation by clicking on the "Save diagram" option. System prompts User for a file location. After selecting the file location, Diagram is saved with the appropriate file format.
Exception:	If the saving of Diagram fails due to some unexpected error, System notifies User.

Use Case Name:	Alert User
Use Case ID:	US11
Actors:	System
Summary:	An error that is generated is notified to User through an error prompt.
Pre - Condition(s):	The error is generated due to any reason (technical error or errors caused by User).
Post - Condition(s):	User is successfully notified of the error prompt.
Inputs:	Generated Error.
Outputs:	Error prompt
Normal flow:	 An error is generated by System due to some technicality or user error. System receives the error and generates a prompt that explains the error. User is notified of the error prompt.
Exception:	N/A

Use Case Name:	Map Requirements	
Use Case ID:	US14	
Actors:	System	
Summary:	The entities and their relationships extracted from requirements are mapped onto the XML components.	
Pre - Condition(s):	 Entities and relationships are extracted from requirements. XML schema is defined. 	
Post - Condition(s):	Mapped XML schema	
Inputs:	Entities and their relationships, XML schema	
Outputs:	Mapped XML model	
Normal flow:	 System receives the requirement It parses them to extract entities and relationships. System identifies XML schema components. 	
	4. It then maps those entities and relationships onto the components.5. System saves the mapped model ready to be used.4. The XML diagrams are generated based on that mapped model.	
Exception:	If System fails to map any entity or relationship due to errors during entityor relationship extraction, System promptly notifies User.	

Use Case Name:	Identify relationships and dependencies	
Use Case ID:	US15	
Actors:	System	
Summary:	User inputs requirements and System processes them to identify relationships and dependencies.	
Pre - Condition(s):	Requirements are pre-processed.	
Post - Condition(s):	Identified relationships and dependencies in requirements.	
Inputs:	Pre-processed requirements	
Outputs:	Identified dependencies and relationships	
Normal flow:	 System receives the requirement. It parses them and validates to see if requirements exist. If validated requirements exists, it performs word embedding on tokenize requirements. After that, it applies dependency parsing and masked entity recognition to extract relationships and dependencies. It then evaluates the dependencies and relationships to extract the best one. 	
Exception:	If System fails to find validated requirements during parsing, it promptly	
	notifies User.	

Use Case Name:	Support Layout Algorithms	
Use Case ID:	US16	
Actors:	System	
Summary:	System supports layout algorithms that analyses the spatial arrangements of diagram components and re-arranges them at their best presentable positions.	
Pre - Condition(s):	A mapped diagram model is defined.	
Post - Condition(s):	Formatted diagrams are generated.	
Inputs:	Mapped diagram model	
Outputs:	Formatted diagrams	
Normal flow:	 System receives the mapped diagram model. It analyses the spatial arrangement of diagram components. It calculates the best positions for each components. It then maps Diagram components onto the calculated positions. System displays the formatted diagrams. 	
Exception:	If System fails to find any optimized layout, it then displays Diagramin its original layout and informs User of layout.	

Use Case Name:	Extract elements/tokens	
Use Case ID:	US17	
Actors:	System	
Summary:	System shall parse the input requirements and tokenize them.	
Pre - Condition(s):	Requirements are given as input.	
Post - Condition(s):	Requirements are tokenized and ready for word embedding.	
Inputs:	Requirements	
Outputs:	Requirements tokens	
Normal flow:	 System receives User requirements With the help of natural language processing, it apply tokenization on requirements. The tokens are then used for word embedding and dependency parsing to extract relationships and dependencies. 	
Exception:	If System fails to tokenize, it informs User of the layout.	

Use Case Name:	Zoom In/Out
Use Case ID:	US19
Actors:	User
Summary:	User zooms in or out of Diagram according to the view requirement.
Pre - Condition(s):	User is on the editing page.
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram is zoomed in/out accordingly.
Inputs:	User initiation
Outputs:	Zoomed in/out diagram
Normal flow:	1. User selects the appropriate symbol to zoom in/out.
	8 If User chooses to zoom in, the option selected is the plus sign else it is the minus sign.
Exception:	

Use Case Name:	Customize Elements
Use Case ID:	US20
Actors:	User
Summary:	The elements are customized and edited according to User's needs/liking.
Pre - Condition(s):	Diagram is created.
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram elements are edited accordingly.
Inputs:	Color, Text, Size information, diagram element
Outputs:	Edited Elements
Normal flow:	 User selects the element they want to edit. After selection, User selects the property they want to edit, this could be its size, font, or color information. User inputs the updated values for the chosen properties. The changes are reflected in Diagram elements.
IR XCENIIAN'	If User adds an invalid amount for size or font, System notifies Userwith the error prompt.

Use Case Name:	Delete Elements
Use Case ID:	US21
Actors:	User
Summary:	User deletes the element that they have selected.
Pre - Condition(s):	Diagram is created.
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram element is deleted.
Inputs:	User initiation, diagram element
Outputs:	Element Deletion
Normal flow:	 User selects the element they want to delete. After that they can either press the delete button or the "Del" key. System deletes the respective element and the change is reflected in Diagram.
Exception:	N/A

Use Case Name:	Delete Diagram
Use Case ID:	US22
Actors:	User, System
Summary:	User deletes Diagram and the change is reflected in System.
Pre - Condition(s):	Diagram is created.
Post - Condition(s):	Diagram is deleted from System.
Inputs:	User initiation, Diagram
Outputs:	Deleted Diagram
Normal flow:	 In the editor panel, User selects the option to delete Diagram. After that System asks User to confirm the deletion. On confirming Diagram is deleted and the change is reflected in System.
Exception:	Diagram is not deleted if User cancels the deletion process.

Use Case Name:	Give Feedback
Use Case ID:	US23
Actors:	System
Summary:	System provides User with necessary feedback in return of the completion of a process.
Pre - Condition(s):	A process has been completed.
Post - Condition(s):	User is notified of the completion with additional information.
Inputs:	N/A
Outputs:	N/A
Normal flow:	 Whenever a process is completed, let that process be of successful import of requirements, export of diagram, deletion of an account, etc, System notifies User. User is notified through a prompt giving information about the process that was completed.
Exception:	N/A

Use Case Name:	Review Requirements
Use Case ID:	US24
Actors:	User, System
Summary:	User reviews the requirements before letting System generatediagrams from it.
Pre - Condition(s):	User has imported the requirements document.
Post - Condition(s):	The reviewed requirements are fed to System.
Inputs:	Requirements document, User revisions
Outputs:	Revised requirements
Normal flow:	 After the requirements are imported into System, System displays the requirements to User. User reviews the requirements document. If revisions are needed, User makes the necessary changes in the requirements. User re-submitted the requirements which are now revised.
Exception:	N/A

Use Case Name:	Confirm Requirements
Use Case ID:	US25
Actors:	User
Summary:	After User has imported the requirements and revised them, User then confirms the requirements.
Pre - Condition(s):	 User has imported the requirements document. User has revised the requirements.
Post - Condition(s):	The revised requirements are fed into System.
Inputs:	Revised requirements.
Outputs:	System confirmation.
Normal flow:	 User has imported the requirements document into System. User has reviewed the requirements to their liking. After that, User confirms that the requirements have been finalized. The requirements are then fed into System for generation.
Exception:	In case of any issue in the requirement document or the revised document, System notifies User of the error, and the requirements are not fed into System.

Use Case Name:	Categorize Requirements
Use Case ID:	US26
Actors:	User
Summary:	User will categorize requirements to their liking in per se modules.
Pre - Condition(s):	The requirement document is imported.
Post - Condition(s):	The requirements are categorized.
Inputs:	Imported requirements
Outputs:	Categorized requirements
Normal flow:	 Once User has imported the requirements, System allows User to categorize the requirements. User can select specific requirements and assign them
	categories or modules. 3. The requirements are then categorized accordingly.
Exception:	N/A

Use Case Name:	Add Tags to requirements
Use Case ID:	US27
Actors:	User
Summary:	User adds tags to requirements to further classify them.
Pre - Condition(s):	The requirements are imported.
Post - Condition(s):	The requirements are tagged.
Inputs:	Imported requirements
Outputs:	Tagged requirements
Normal flow:	 Once User has imported the requirements, System allows User to tag the requirements. User can select specific requirements and tag them with valuesthat can further classify requirements. The changes are reflected in System.
Exception:	N/A

Use Case Name:	Verify Format
Use Case ID:	US28
Actors:	System
Summary:	System shall verify the format of input file if it is a supported file formator not.
Pre - Condition(s):	Requirements file is given as input.
Post - Condition(s):	Confirmation of upload or Alert of file discard.
Inputs:	Requirements file
Outputs:	System notification
Normal flow:	 System receives User requirements file. It will check it the file format is supported or not. If the file format is supported, it will show a notification of a successful upload.
Exception:	If System fails to verify the format, it informs User of the file discard.

Use Case Name:	Verify Requirements
Use Case ID:	US29
Actors:	System
Summary:	System shall parse the input file to verify if the validated functional requirements exist.
Pre - Condition(s):	Requirements file is given as input.
Post - Condition(s):	Confirmation of upload or Alert of file discard.
Inputs:	Requirements file
Outputs:	System notification
Normal flow:	 System receives User requirements file. It will parse that file to verify if valid functional requirements exist in the file or not. If the file contains functional requirements, it will show a notification of successful upload.
Exception:	If System fails to verify the functional requirements, it informs User offile discard.

2.5 Use case design

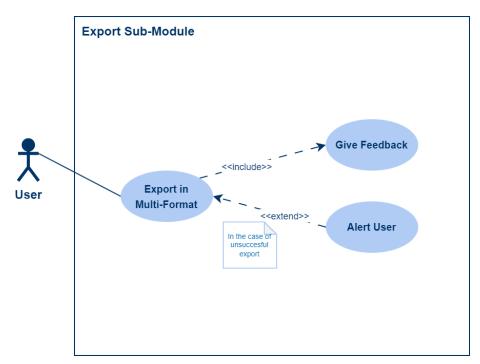


Figure 1: Use Case Diagram of Export Module (UD01)

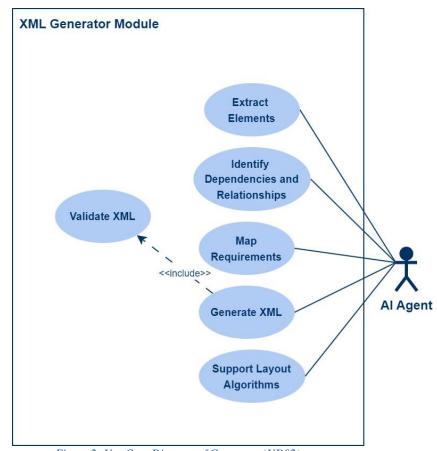


Figure 2: Use Case Diagram of Generator (UD02)

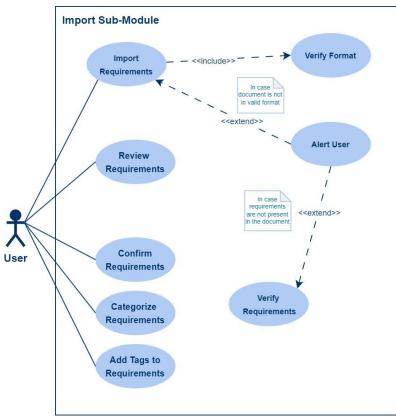


Figure 3: Use Case Diagram of Import (UD03)

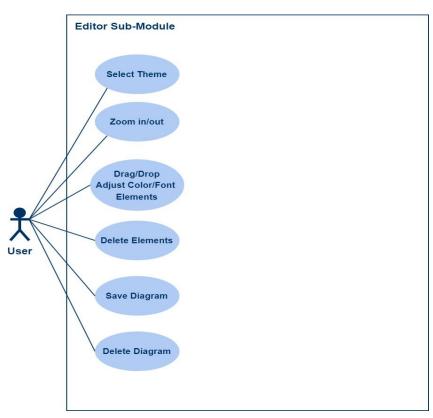


Figure 4: Use Case Diagram of Export(UD04)

2.6 Software development life cycle model

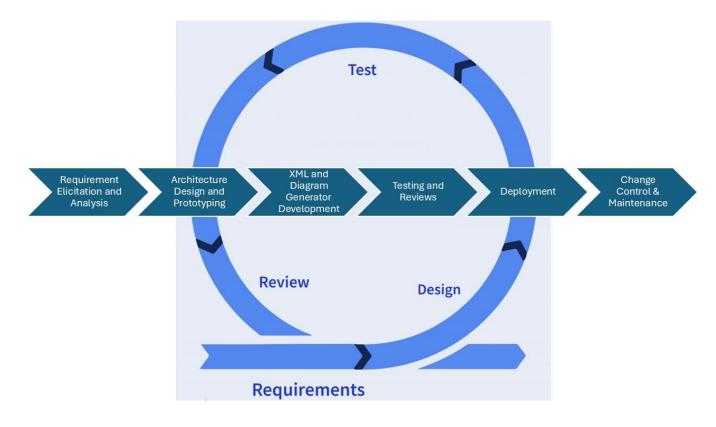


Figure 5: Project's Software Development Life Cycle

3 System Design

3.1 Work breakdown structure (WBS)

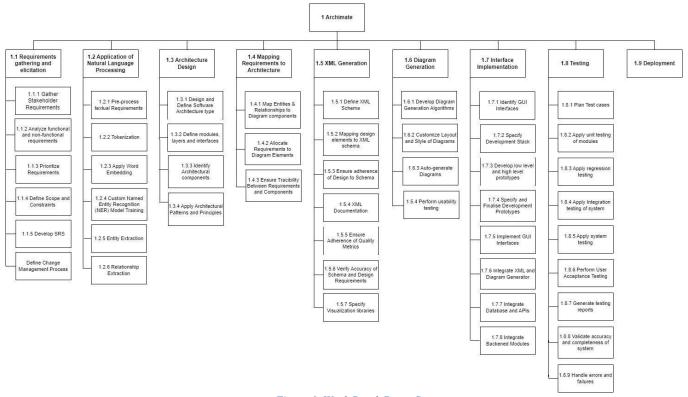


Figure 6: Work Break Down Structure

3.2 Activity diagram

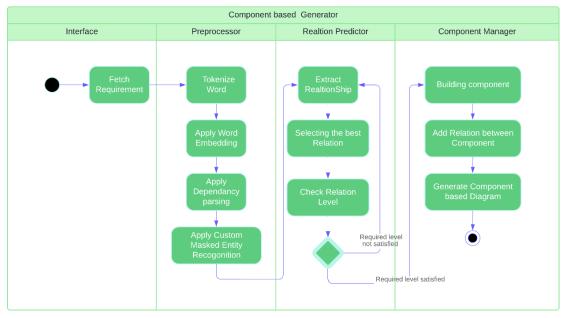


Figure 7: Component Based Generator (AD01)

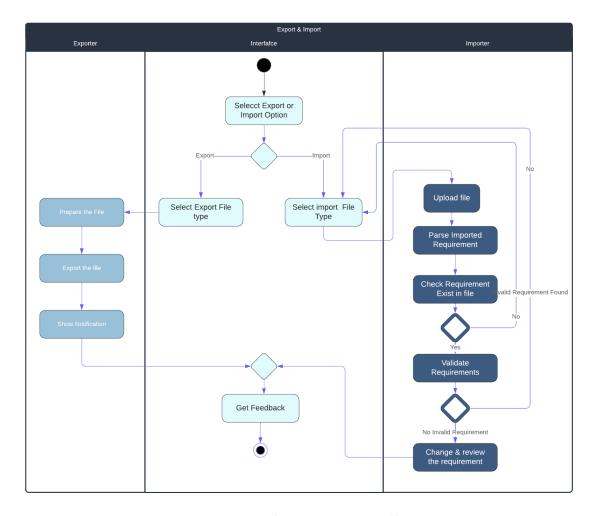


Figure 8: Import & Export (AD02)

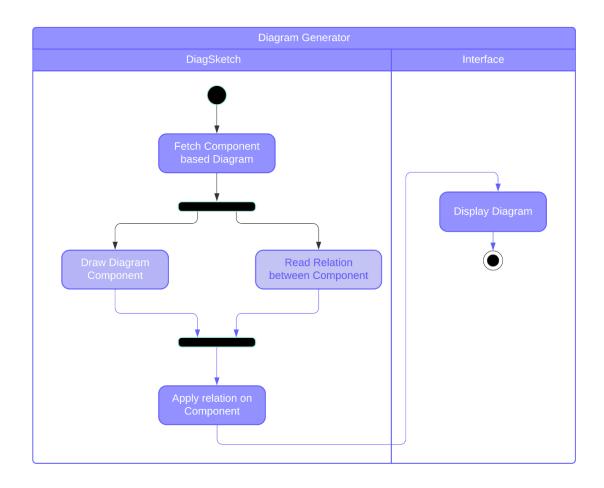


Figure 9: Diagram Generator (AD03)

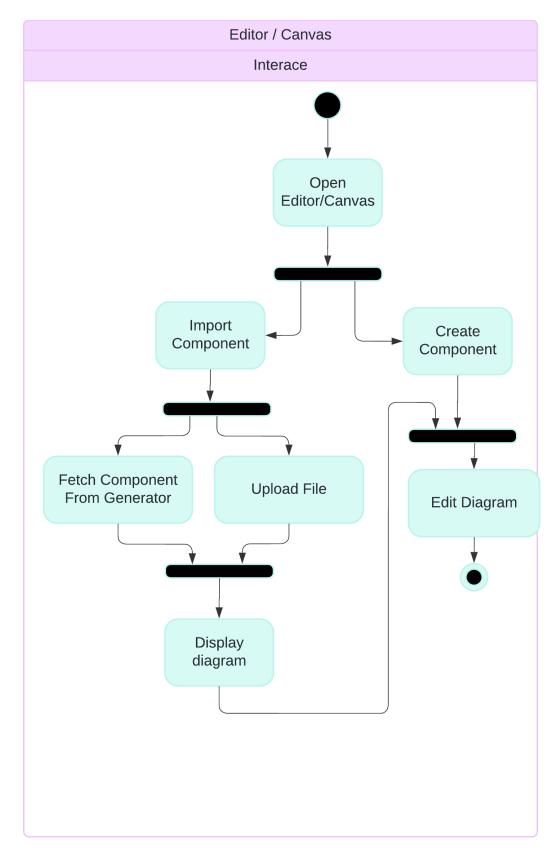


Figure 10: Editor/Canvas (AD04)

3.3 Sequence diagram

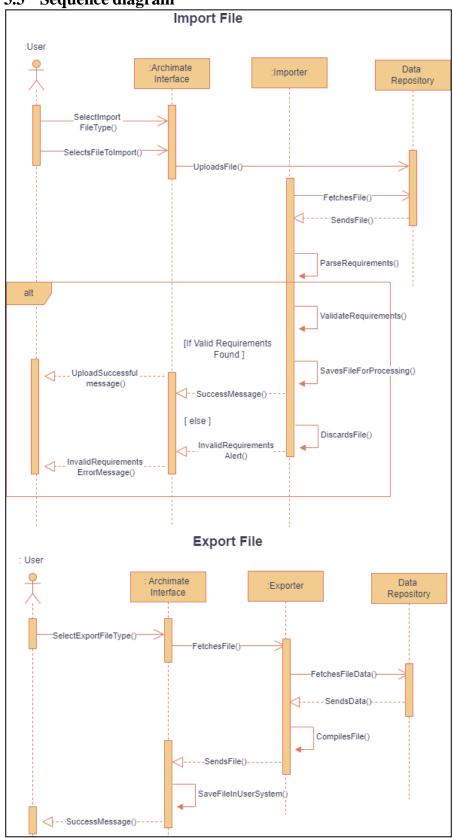


Figure 11: Sequence Diagram of Import/Export (SD01)

XML Generator

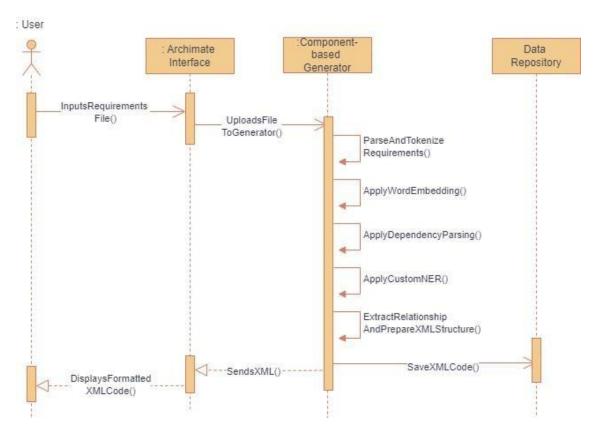


Figure 12: Sequence Diagram of Component Based Generator (SD02)

Diagram Generator

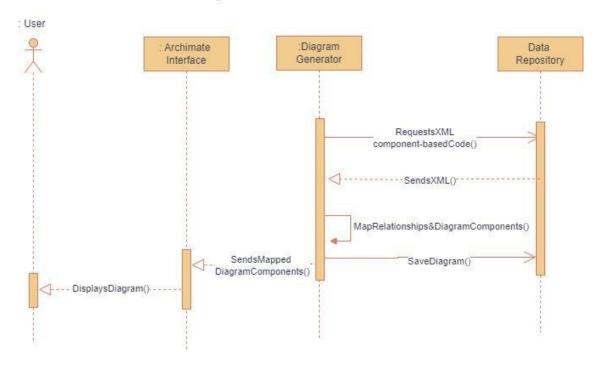


Figure 13: Sequence Diagram of Diagram Generator (SD03)

Editor/Canvas

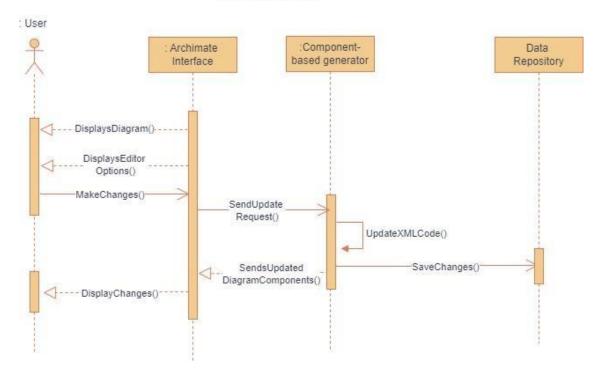


Figure 14: Sequence Diagram of Editor/Canvas (SD04)

3.4 Software architecture

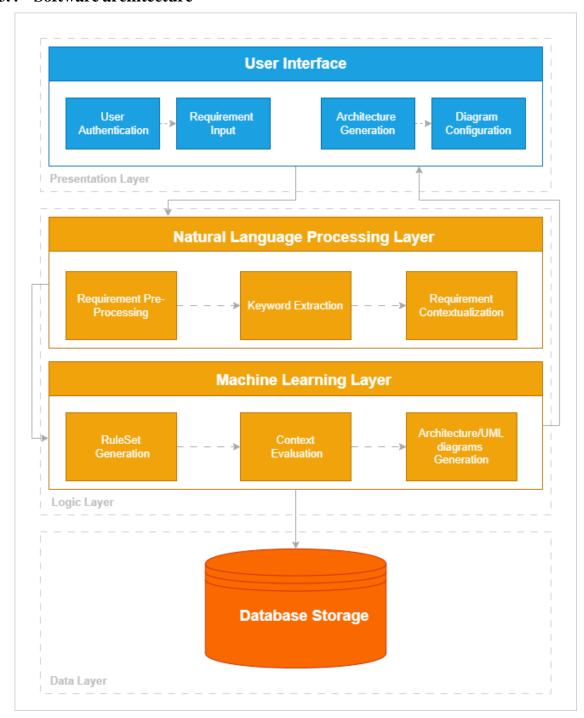


Figure 15: Diagram of System Architecture of RBDG

3.5 Network diagram (Gantt chart)

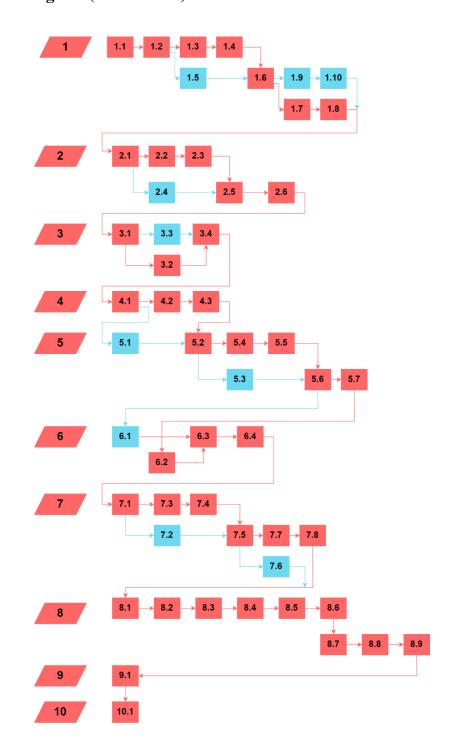


Figure 18: Project Network Diagram

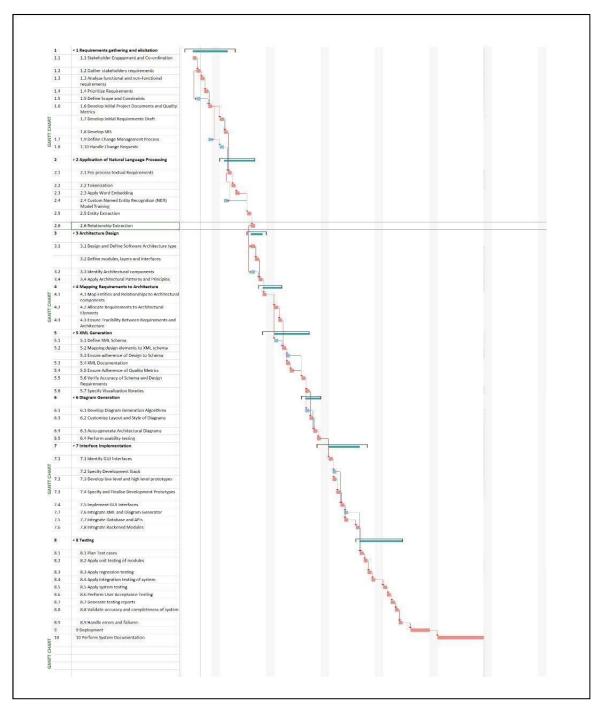


Figure 19: Project Gant Chart

4 System Testing

4.1 Test cases

Table 5: Test Case

					Table 5: Test Case Test whether System is successfully able to fetch the input requirements from							
Test case ID		TC_04	Test case de	scription	Test whethe the import r		iccessfully abl	e to fetch the	e input require	mentsfrom		
Created by:		Abdullah	Reviewed by	/	Nouman		Version No.		1	.0		
QA Tester's	log	Nil.										
Tester's nam	ne	Miss	Date testes	1 .	Nil		Test case(Pa	ss/Fail/Not	Not Executed			
rester s num		Mamoona	Dute testes				Executed)	33,1 4, 1101	Not Executed			
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data						
1	The Syste		parsed the		1	1 Parsed Requirements.						
2					2							
3					3							
4					4							
Test Scenario	After User h	as imported t	he requireme	nts and Syste	em has parsed	d, System fetc	hes the parsed	d for further p	processing.			
Step No.	Step	details	Expecte	d results	Actual results Pass /Fail /Not Executed					Suspended		
1	, ,	and parsed	The requirer		The requirer	ments areprop	perly fetched.	Pass				

Test case ID		TC_06	Test case de	scription	Test whether	User is able t	o input the co	mponents to	Diagram.		
Created by:		Abdullah	Reviewed by	1	Javeria		Version No.		1	.0	
QA Tester's	log	Nil.									
Tester's nam	Tester's name		Date testesd:		Nil	Nil		Test case(Pass/Fail/Not Executed)			
S #	Prerequisite	s:			S #	Test Data					
1	Diagram has	been genera	ted.		1	Generated Di	iagram				
2	Diagram is re editable.	epresented a	nd is		2						
3					3						

Test Scenario	User									
Step No.	Step o	letails	Expected	d results		Actual results	3	Pass /Fail /N	ot Executed ,	/Suspended
	User clicks o	requirement	System allo browse throus storage.		System allow their local sto		wse through	Pass		
	User selects document.		System loads selected doc	5 1110	System loads	theselected	document.	Pass		
	System va document the requirem	by checking ents.		hat the s are imported	System notifi requirements imported and	ares	t the successfully	Pass		
4										

Test case ID		TC_07	Test case de	escription	Test the fund	ctionality of v	visualization of diagram.					
Created by:		Nouman	Reviewed b	У	Javeria		Version No.			1.0		
QA Tester's	log	N/A										
Tester's nan	ne	Javeria, Abdullah	Date testes	Date testesd:		iil		ass/Fail/Not	Not Executed			
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data						
1	Access to Pa	rse Requirem	ents		1							
2					2							

3				3					
4				4					
Test scenario	Verify that System s	how a graphical	representation	of Diagram b	ased on requi	rements.			
Step No.	Step details	Expect	ed results		Actual results	:	Pass /Fail /	Not Executed	d /Suspended
1	Upload the containing requirements of Syst	file File should the em	upload.	File should up	oload.		Pass		
2	Confirm requirements have I successfully uploo without any mistake	ided requireme	the	Users can re requirement	eview and cor s.	nfirm the	Pass		
3	Click on generate.	Diagram d User.	isplayed to	Diagram disp	layed to User	•	Pass		

Test case ID	TC_08	Test case description		Test the creation of diagram							
Created by: Javeria		Reviewed by		Nouman,Abdullah		Version No.		1.0			
QA Tester's log											
Tester's name	Nouman,A bdullah	Date testesd	l:	Nil		Test case(Pass/Fail/Not Executed)		Not Executed			

S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data				
1	Canvas is dis	splayed			1					
2					2					
3					3					
4					4					
Test scenario	User should	be able to edi	t/custoize Dia	grams that sy	stem generat	ed from user	requirement	S		
Step No.	Step (details	Expected	d results		Actual results	5	Pass /F	ail /Not Exec	
1	Component are created Component visible		are	Component	are	visible	Pass			
9	user saves d	iagram	Diagram sho	uld be saved	Diagram shou	ıld be saved		Pass		

Test case ID	TC_09	Test case description		Test the customization/editing of diagram						
Created by:	Javeria	Reviewed by		Nouman,Abdullah		Version No.		1	.0	
QA Tester's log										
Tester's name	Nouman,A bdullah	Date testes	d:	Nil		Test case(Pa Executed)	iss/Fail/Not	Not Executed	d	

S #	Prerequisites:			S #	Test Data			
1	Diagram is generted and o	lislayed		1				
2	Customization options ar and visible.		2					
Test scenario	User should be able to cre	ate Diagram f	rom scratch					
Step No.	Step details	d results	,	Actual results	Pass /F	ail /Not Exec /Suspended		
	1	ı		ı		ı		

1	User links the component with other component	Component linked	can	be	Component	can	belinked	Pass
2	user moves a component to different position	component moved	can	be	component	can	bemoved	Pass

Test case ID		TC_10	Test case description		Test the saving and deletion of diagram						
Created by:		Javeria	Reviewed by	<i>'</i>	Nouman,Ab	dullah	Version No.		1 0		
QA Tester's log											
Tester's name		Nouman,A bdullah	Date testesd:		Nil		Test case(Pass/Fail/Not Executed)		Not Executed	d	

S #	Prerequisites:			S #	Test Data				
1	Diagram is generted and	dislayed		1					
2	Saving options are availa visible.	ble and		2					
Test scenario	User should be able to sav	e and delete I	Diagrams that	system gene	rated from us	er requireme	nts		
Step No.	Step details Expect		d results	ts Actual results			Pass /F	ail /Not Exec /Suspended	
1	user selects saving format type		should be nd can be	formats shou be selected	ıld be avalaib	le and can	Pass		
2	user clicks on save/download option		hould be d file should				Pass		
3	user selects Diagram diagram file sh selected		should be	diagram file should beselected			Pass		
4	user deletes the file from archimate	deleted from	should be m archimate am deleted	archimatean	uld be deleted d diagram de arrives		Pass		

Test case ID	TC_11	Test case description	Test the functionality of importing user requirements					
Created by:	Javeria	Reviewed by	Nouman,Abdullah	Version No.	1.0			

QA Tester's	log										
Tester's nan	ne	Nouman,A bdullah	Date testes	d:	Nil		Test case(Pa Executed)	Not Executed		d	
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data					
1					1	File with use	r requiremen	ts			
2					2						
3					3						
4					4						
Test scenario	User should i	import user re	equirements f	île							
Step No.	Step details Expected		d results	Actual results			Pass /Fail /Not Executed /Suspended				
1	User selects the import file type should selected		ould be	file type shou	uld beselecte	d	Pass				
2	User clicks t button	he upload	file should and con- displayed	be uploaded tents are	file should be aredisplayed	d be uploaded and contents Pass yed					

	Test case ID	TC_12	Test case description	Test the functionality of parsing User requirements
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QA Tester's	log										
Tester's nan	ne	Nouman,A bdullah	Date testes	d:	Nil		Test case(Pa Executed)	ss/Fail/Not	Not Execute	d	
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data					
1	Requiremen	ts file is uploa	ıded		1	file with fund	tional requirements				
2					2	file without t	unctional req	uirements			
3					3						
4					4						
Test scenario	System shou	ld parse the ir	nput user requ	uirements							
Step No.	Step o	details	Expected	d results	,	Actual results	ctual results Pass /Fail /Not Exec /Suspended				
1	User upload	s the file	file should be and parsed	pe uploaded	file should b	oe uploadeda	ploadedand parsed PAss				

Test case ID	TC_13	Test case description	Test the functionality of validation of requirements.				
Created by:	Nouman	Reviewed by	Abdullah	Version No.	1.0		

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Tester's nan	ne	Javeria, Abdullah	Date testes	d:	Nil		Test case(Pa Executed)	ss/Fail/Not	Not Executed	d
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data				
1					1					
2					2					
3					3					
4					4					
<u>Test</u> scenario	Verify that S	System valida	tes the requir	ement uploa	ded by User.					
Step No.	Step o	details	Expected			Actual results			Not Executed	l /Suspended
1	Upload containing requirement	the file the ts of System	The file shou	ıld upload.	The file shoul	d upload.		Pass		
2	Click on the t	upload.	Requiremen in a variable	its assigned	Requirement	s assignedin	a variable	Pass		

Test ca	ise ID	TC_14	Test case description	Test the functionality of Confirmation of requirements from User.
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Created by:		Nouman	Reviewed by	1	Javeria		Version No.			1.0
QA Tester's	log	Nil								
Tester's nan	ne	Javeria, Abdullah	Date testes	d:	Nil		Test case(Pa Executed)	iss/Fail/Not	Not Executed	d
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data				
1	User alre requirement		aded the		1					
2	Requiremen variable.	ts have been	parsed in a		2					
3					3					
4					4					
Test scenario	Verify that \$	System valida	tes the requir	ement uploa	ded by User.					
Step No.	Step o	details	Expected	d results		Actual results	i	Pass /Fail /	Not Executed	l /Suspended
1	Review the F to find any r	Requirement nistake	Requiremen displayed interface for	on the	Requirement the interface		isplayed on	on Pass		
2	Change the any.	mistake if	Changes ma requirement	de in the	Changes mad	de in therequ	airements. Pass			
3	Click on conf	firm.	Requirement changed to o	t status	Requirement to confirm	stat	uschanged	Pass		

Test case ID	١	TC_15	Test case de	scription	Test the fund	ctionality of C	ustomization	Options on re	equirements.	
Created by:		Nouman	Reviewed b	/	Abdullah		Version No.			1.0
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Tester's nan	ne	Javeria,	Date testes	d:	Nil		Test case(Pa Executed)	ass/Fail/Not	Not Executed	b
		Abdullah								
S #	Prerequisite	Prerequisites:			S #	Test Data				
1		Iser already uploaded the equirement file.								
2	Requirement variable.	its have been	parsed in a		2					
3	Requirement by User.	ts have been	Reviewed		3					
4					4					
Test scenario	Verify that:	System valida	tes the requii	ement uploa	ded by User.	ı	ı	I		
Step No.	Step	details	Expected			Actual results Pa			Not Executed	l /Suspended
1	Click on add meta data. Selection page for metadata should display.		Selection pag m	ge for letadata is dis		Pass				
2	Enter metadata/a requiremen	nnotation of t	Data enter ii	n the fields.	Data enter in	the fields.		Pass		

3	Click on submit	Metadata added in requirement detail	Metadata added inre detail	equirement Pass

Test case ID TC_16			Test case description		Test the functionality of Exporting Diagram						
163t case ID 10_10		Test case description		rest the functionality of Exporting Diag			ram 				
Created by:		Nouman	Reviewed by		Javeria		Version No.		1.0		
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Tester's name		Javeria, Abdullah	Date testesd:		Nil		Test case(Pass/Fail/Not Executed)		Not Executed		
S #	Prerequisite	iites:			S #	Test Data					
1	The requirer	requirement file is uploaded.			1						
2	Requiremen	equirements have been reviewed.			2						
3	Diagram of requirement has been generated.				3						
4					4						
Test scenario	Verify that:	System validates the requirement uploaded by User.									
Step No.	Step	Step details Expected re		d results	Actual results			Pass /Fail /Not Executed /Suspended			
1	Click on File, Export o selected f down menu		rom drop	Export option got selected from drop down menu.		Pass					

2	Select the file type of Visio (.vsdx)	Visio file type selected, and Json file exported successfully.	Visio file type selected, and Visio file exported successfully.	Pass
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Tester's name		Javeria, Abdullah	Date testesd:		N/A		Test case(Pass/Fail/Not Executed) Not Executed		ed		
S #	Prerequisite	es:			S #	Test Data					
1	Requiremen	t file is upload	ded.		1						
2	Requiremen	uirements have been reviewed.			2						
3	Diagram of generated.	ram of requirement has been erated.			3						
4	File Exported	le Exported Successfully			4						
Test scenario	Verify that	system validates the requirement uploaded by User.									
Step No.	Step o	Step details Expected re		d results	Actual results			Pass /Fail /Not Executed /Suspended			
1	Check the fi Successfully notifications				The file has been exported successfully.			Pass			

4.2 Unit / integration / acceptance testing

4.2.1 Unit testing:

Unit testing is one of the fundamental parts of the software testing phase where individual components are tested in isolation. The primary goal of this testing is to validate the functionality of each unit and whether they perform as expected. For the unit testing, here are some techniques that will be performed.

Black Box Testing:

This technique of testing involves testing individual components but with the condition that we do not dive deep into the internal structure or the inner workings of the components. This will be most useful when verifying whether the individual components meet the specified requirements or not.

White Box Testing:

Glass box or transparent testing involves testing the unit while also peering in the internal structure and the workings of the unit. Here, the tester will have full visibility of the code including paths, loop conditions, etc. This approach is a must considering we want to have efficiency and ensure no unwanted behaviour is occurring.

Parameterized Testing:

This technique will involve running the same test cases with multiple sets of input parameters hence validating the unit's functionality over a wide range of inputs and ensuring that all cases are dealt with.

4.2.2 Integration testing:

It is an important part of testing where individual units of software are combined together and then tested as a group. The main aim is to ensure that integrated components work together as expected. Here are some techniques to be used in this project for integration testing:

Top-Down Testing:

It will test the top-level modules first and then move down to lower level modules by gradually integrating them. Stubs (dummy implementation of lower-level modules) are used to simulate the behavior of lower level modules until they are integrated. This technique helps in identifying the and resolving major issues in the early phase of development.

Bottom-Up Testing:

This is the opposite of top-down approach. It begins by testing the lower level modules first and then gradually moves to integrating and testing the higher level modules. Drivers (dummy implementation of higher level modules) are used to simulate the behavior of higher level modules until they are integrated. This approach will be easier to test the lower level modules.

4.2.3 Acceptance testing:

Alpha testing:

Alpha testing will be conducted by the internal team or a selected group of users in a controlled environment. It aims to gathers defects in the early stage of development process and gather feedback for improvements before releasing it to the targeted users.

Beta-testing:

In this testing, the software will be tested by allowing its access to a limited no of external users to gather feedback on its performance, usability and other evaluation metrics. This will help in identifying the issues that was not discovered during the early phases of testing.

5 Conclusion

5.1 Problems faced and lessons learned

5.1.1 Problem Faced

- 1. The first major problem we encountered, concerned about the availability of a labeled dataset that could be reused directly in our model, especially in terms of software architecture. This misalignment became a problem when it affected feature engineering, one of the essential phases in a machine learning pipeline. Overcoming this required understanding the architecture of the system and the nature of the data to create a structure, then entering the images data manually into the structure and performing feature extraction and general alignment with the model needs.
- 2. One more important problem we experienced was that the stakeholder was missing, and the person, who initially described the requirements, was also missing. This lack of direct input led to several difficulties especially when assessing the software architecture. Most traditional approaches to architectural evaluation including SASEM, and Reliability Analysis involve stakeholders in the definition of, and elaboration of the evaluation criteria. In the absence of such inputs we had to set our own standards and benchmarks in respect of the architectural layout.
- 3. One of the most used evaluation techniques, scenario-based, which is used to determine the ability of an architecture to achieve certain scenarios and quality attributes, depends on stakeholders to develop scenarios. These scenarios, which are used to describe interactions between some stakeholders and the system, make the thought process of the architectural decisions clearer.
- 4. Yet another problem, which we could encounter, was lack of the stakeholder, as the person who stated the requirements eliminates from the process. Such absence of direct input gave rise to several concerns and challenges, and most notably the assessment of the software architecture. A major shortcoming of most well-accepted architectural

- evaluation processes like (ed.).SSEAME & RA are the facts that these processes need the identification and elaboration of assessment criteria with stakeholders.
- 5. Further, most of the techniques do not take into account that requirements may change as the architecture is evaluated, sequential refinements are possible. This assumption was not possible in our case, we had a list of requirements that remained constant regardless of what the stakeholders had to say.
- 6. Indeed, most of the conventional approaches for evaluation and selection were not suitable or optimal in our case. Furthermore, there is little information about the methods on how the architectures produced from Machine Learning methods can be assessed field, which makes evaluation even more challenging in our case.

5.1.2 Lesson Learned

After facing these challenges, we have learned many lessons. We now understand not rushing the training of the model prematurely. Instead, we need to establish clear goals find proper information and then a workflow and strategy before tackling the task.

We learned the significance of planning comprehensively and focused more on the modules as they break down the complex structure into sizable and understandable chunks. Similarly, this approach would have enhanced the collaboration among us. Another benefit from this was that we got to get hands-on experience with iterative development and how refinement and improvement are carried on.

5.1.3 Project Summary:

We dive into the implementation of our Final Year Project (FYP) hence our main focus remains on automating the generation of architecture and UML diagrams through the functional requirements provided by the user. This is most beneficial in translating requirements from users and getting actual visual representations of them.

We have harnessed the power that resides in advanced Natural Learning Processing (NLP) along with the various algorithms in standard Machine Learning and Deep Learning. By automating the process, we have aimed to enhance the efficiency and productivity for software engineers, and system architects and provide ease to all stakeholders.

Plans have been set forth in dealing with the structure of various system diagrams such as activity diagrams, and use case diagrams, and the most important of them all, the one that provides the sight over the entire system is the architecture of the system. We aim that the final results have flexibility and can be scaled accordingly to what the situation desires.

We have implemented various forms of testing that we have come up with as our focus is not only generating the diagrams but also ensuring that the diagrams are reliable and actually represent/reflect the requirements provided by the user.

To summarize it all, the FYP represents a significant contribution to the problem discussed. Our goal is to ensure that our project ends up actually helping the development process, especially in the domain and art of requirements analysis and diagram creation. Although we expect that things will go our way so easily and we will have to face a mountain of challenges with these challenges, we also find opportunities.

5.1.4 Future Work:

- A. **Proposed Usage of High Quality** Dataset Ideally, the core of a big-sized and qualitative dataset should be developed in cooperation with professionals who are more or less involved into the creation of multimedia products. This guarantees the information from the research is total and depicts real existence conditions in the course of the simulations. Of tremendous importance in Machine Learning is the quality of the dataset that has to be fed to models for decision-making.
- B. **Training the Model beyond the Diagram Based Generation** This is why the model should not only depict diagrams but should be able to write code or solve a problem. The techniques such as supervised learning and reinforcement learning together with the fine-tuning make the model more appropriate and suitable for the various realworld applications.

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