
Software Requirements Specification

For

Home Security System using IOT

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Software Requirements Specification (SRS) is to define the functional and non-functional requirements of a home security system using Flask, ESP-WHO, and IoT devices. The system will detect and recognize faces using face recognition technology and differentiate between known and unknown individuals.

1.2 Document Conventions

This document follows standard **IEEE SRS formatting**. Key conventions include:

- **Bold text** for section headings.
- *Italicized text* for emphasis on critical terms.
- `Monospace font` for code snippets or technical terms.
- All functional requirements are labeled as **REQ-#** for easy reference.

1.3 Intended Audience and Reading Suggestions

This SRS is intended for the following stakeholders:

- **Developers:** To implement system functionality based on the defined requirements.
- **Security Analysts:** To validate security and performance expectations.
- **End Users/Homeowners:** To understand the system's capabilities and limitations.
- **IoT Engineers:** To integrate the system with smart home devices.

1.4 Product Scope

The Home Security System is a **real-time, AI-powered surveillance system** that utilizes **Flask, OpenCV, and IoT devices** to enhance residential security. This system will **detect, recognize, and classify faces** using advanced **face recognition algorithms**. The primary goal is to identify **known individuals** and alert homeowners about **unknown visitors or potential intruders**.

1.5 References

This project refers to:

1. **IEEE Standard for Software Requirements Specifications (IEEE 830-1998).**
2. **Flask official documentation:** <https://flask.palletsprojects.com>

2. Overall Description

2.1 Product Perspective

The Home Security System is a **standalone, AI-based security solution** designed for **residential properties**. It integrates **computer vision, IoT connectivity, and web-based control** to provide a **smart surveillance ecosystem**. The system replaces **traditional CCTV setups** by offering **automated facial recognition, remote access, and real-time alerts**.

It will be implemented as a **client-server model**, where:

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2.2 Product Functions

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2.3 User Classes and Characteristics

- **Homeowners:** Primary users who access the system for real-time monitoring and alerts. They can manage known faces, review security logs, and configure system settings.
- **System Administrators:** Users responsible for maintaining the face recognition database, managing device configurations, and ensuring system security.
- **Guests/Visitors:** Individuals whose faces are detected but are not part of the known face database. They may be added to the system if authorized by the homeowner.

2.4 Operating Environment

The system runs on a combination of hardware and software components. It requires a processing unit such as a ESP-32 for local computation, along with inbuilt cameras for video input. IoT devices like smart doorbells and motion sensors enhance security functionality. The software stack includes Python with Flask, OpenCV, face_recognition library for backend processing, while a web-based UI built with HTML, CSS, and JavaScript provides user interaction. The system operates over a local network but can be extended to cloud-based remote monitoring.

2.5 Design and Implementation Constraints

The system must handle real-time processing, requiring optimized algorithms for camera input. The performance depends on the computational power available. Privacy considerations require that face data be securely stored and managed according to regulations. The design must ensure scalability, allowing additional cameras and users without performance degradation.

2.6 Assumptions and Dependencies

The system assumes users have a basic network infrastructure to connect cameras and IoT devices. It requires adequate processing power to perform real-time face recognition and may need internet access for cloud-based remote monitoring. The accuracy of the face recognition system depends on pre-trained models and the quality of input images.

3. External Interface Requirements

3.1 User Interfaces

The system provides a web-based interface accessible from desktop and mobile devices. The dashboard displays live video feeds from a camera, logs of detected faces, and system notifications. Users can add or remove authorized faces, configure system settings, and review security alerts. The interface follows a simple and intuitive design to ensure ease of use.

3.2 Hardware Interfaces

The system interacts with IP cameras, USB cameras, and IoT-enabled security devices. It uses standard communication protocols to retrieve video feeds and sensor data. Hardware components must support integration with the Flask-based backend for seamless operation.

3.3 Software Interfaces

The backend is built using Python with Flask and integrates with OpenCV for image processing and face recognition. It communicates with a database for storing user data, detected face logs, and security events. The system may expose APIs for third-party integration, allowing external applications to access video feeds and alert notifications.

3.4 Communications Interfaces

The system requires a network connection to transmit video data and alerts. Local operation is supported over Wi-Fi or Ethernet, while remote monitoring requires internet access. The communication between devices and the backend uses secure protocols such as HTTPS and WebSocket for real-time updates. Optional cloud integration enables users to receive alerts via email or mobile push notifications.

4. System Features

4.1 Real Time Facial Recognition

4.1.1 Description and Priority

This feature enables the system to detect and recognize faces in real-time using video streams from the camera. It ensures that known individuals are identified, and unknown faces trigger alerts. This is a high-priority feature, as it forms the core functionality of the security system.

4.1.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

- A camera captures a live video stream.
- The system detects a face in the frame.
- If the face is recognized as a known individual, it is marked as such.
- If the face is unknown, an alert is triggered, notifying the user.
- The detected face is logged in the database for future reference.

4.1.3 Functional Requirements

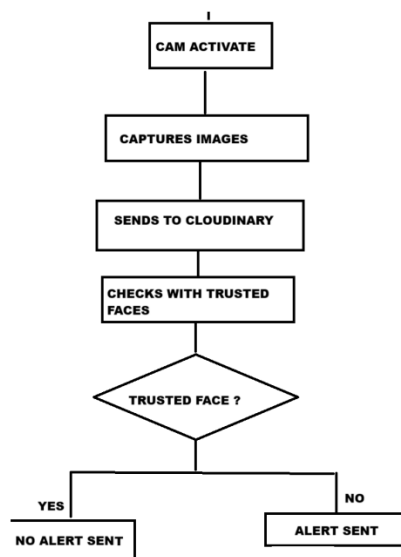
REQ-1: The system shall detect and recognize faces in real-time

REQ-2: The system shall differentiate between known and unknown individuals

REQ-3: The system shall trigger an alert for unknown faces.

REQ-4: The system shall log unknown detected faces with timestamps.

LIVEFEED WORKFLOW



4.2 Intruder Alert System

4.2.1 Description and Priority

This feature ensures that any unknown individual detected by the system generates an immediate alert to the user. The alert system is a high-priority feature to enhance security.

4.2.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

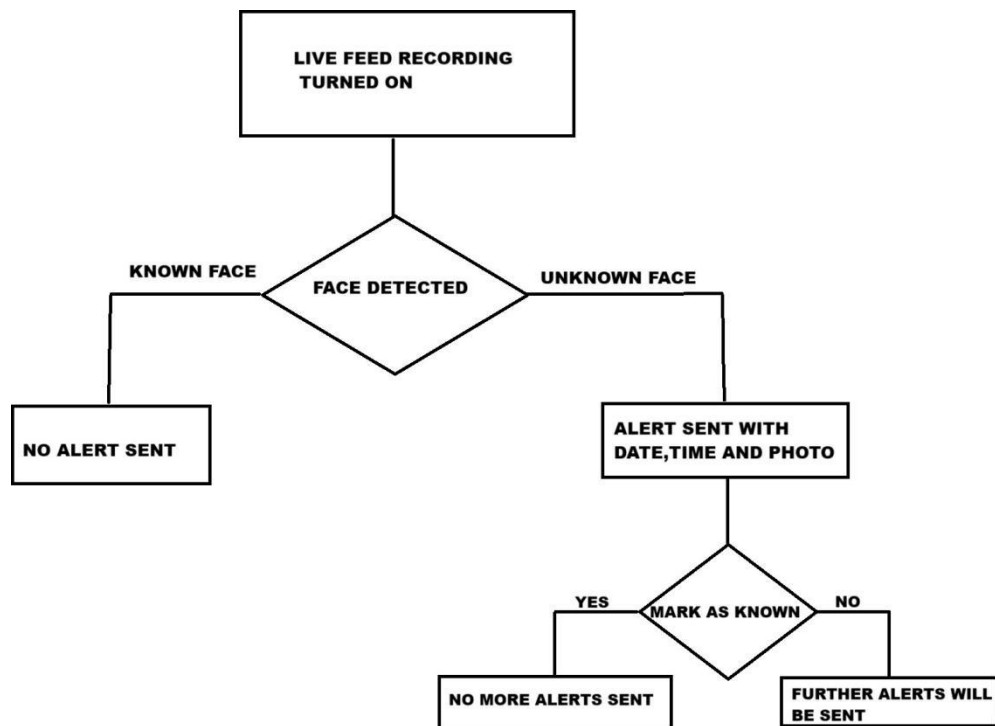
- A face is detected and recognized as unknown.
- The system logs the unknown face.
- A notification is sent via web or IoT device.

4.2.3 Functional Requirements

REQ-5: The system shall notify the user when an unknown face is detected.

REQ-6: The system shall allow users to configure notification settings.

REQ-7: The system shall store unknown face data for review.



4.3 Web-Based Dashboard

4.3.1 Description and Priority

The system provides a web-based interface for users to monitor live feeds, manage the database of known faces, and configure security settings. This is a high-priority feature for accessibility and user control.

4.3.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

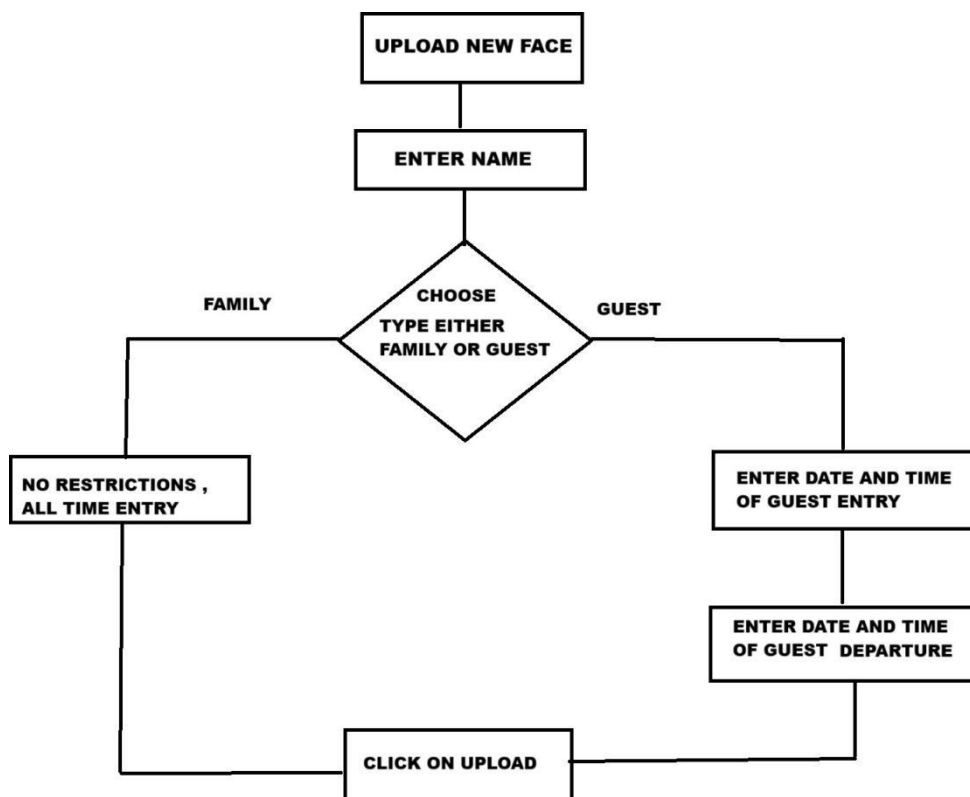
- The user accesses the dashboard through a browser.
- The interface displays live video feeds from cameras.
- The user can view detected faces and manage system settings.
- Alerts and logs are displayed in real-time.

4.3.3 Functional Requirements

REQ-11: The system shall provide a web-based interface for monitoring.

REQ-12: The system shall allow users to add or remove known individuals.

REQ-13: The system shall display real-time logs of unknown detected faces
' and alerts.



4.4 Secure Data Storage and Logging in Cloud

4.4.1 Description and Priority

This feature ensures that all detected face data, security events, and user actions are logged securely. It is a high-priority feature for security auditing and forensic investigation.

4.4.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

- A face is detected and classified.
- The system logs the detected face with a timestamp.
- All security events (e.g., alerts, user actions) are recorded.

4.4.3 Functional Requirements

REQ-14: The system shall store detected face data with timestamps.

REQ-15: The system shall maintain logs of all security events.

REQ-16: The system shall allow users to review past detections and alerts.

4.5 Home Monitoring System

4.5.1 Description and Priority

This feature ensures that all the parameters : temperature, humidity, motion and harmful levels are monitored real time.

4.5.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

- A parameter exceeds a given threshold
- Alert is generated
- The system logs the alert with a timestamp.
- Notification is sent to user via mobile.

4.5.3 Functional Requirements

REQ-14: The system shall record the state of surroundings in real time.

REQ-15: The system shall maintain logs of all alerts.

5. Other Nonfunctional Requirements

5.1 Performance Requirements

The system must be capable of processing a video feed with minimal latency. Face recognition should occur in real-time with an average response time of under one second per frame. The system should maintain at least 30 FPS for smooth video streaming and ensure low memory consumption for efficient resource utilization.

5.2 Safety Requirements

The system must ensure that data storage and access comply with security best practices to prevent unauthorized access. In the event of a system failure, an automatic alert should notify the user. Power

backup solutions should be considered for uninterrupted monitoring.

5.3 Security Requirements

User authentication is required to access system settings and face database management. The system should support encrypted data storage and transmission using secure protocols. Logs of all detected faces should be maintained to facilitate forensic investigations if needed. Unauthorized access attempts should trigger security alerts.

5.4 Software Quality Attributes

The system must be reliable and operate continuously without crashes. It should be scalable to support additional cameras and users without performance degradation. Maintainability should be ensured with modular code design, and usability should be prioritized with an intuitive user interface.

5.5 Business Rules

Only authorized users should be able to modify face recognition databases and access security logs. Alert notifications should be configurable based on user preferences, allowing customization of security levels. The system should comply with data privacy laws regarding facial recognition and biometric data handling.

6. Other Requirements

Any other requirements that are stumbled upon will be duly listed here.

Appendix A: Glossary

| **AI (Artificial Intelligence)** – The simulation of human intelligence in machines, used in this system for face recognition.

| **IoT (Internet of Things)** – A network of interconnected devices that communicate and exchange data, such as smart cameras and sensors.

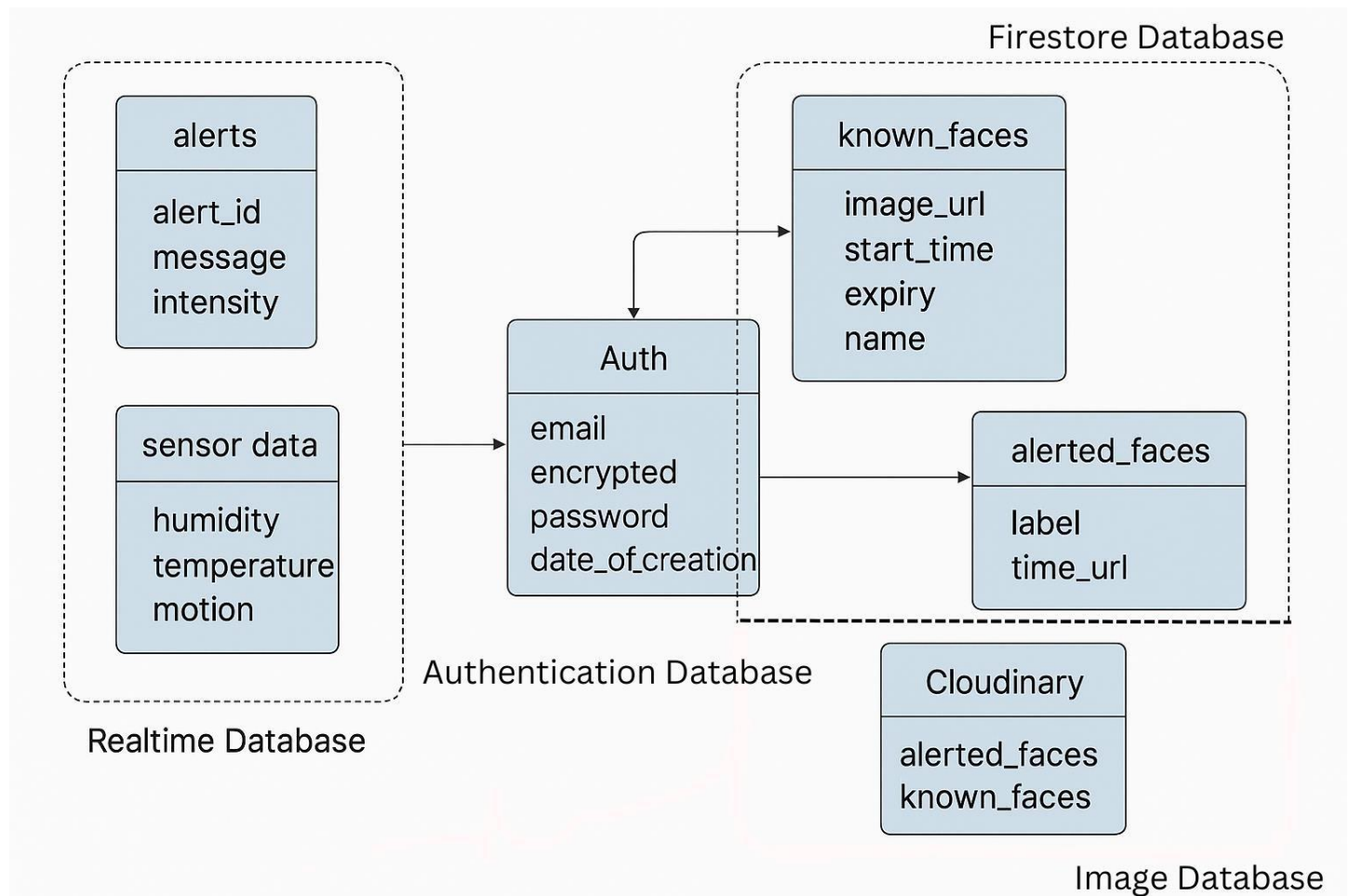
| **Flask** – A lightweight Python web framework used to build the backend of the system.

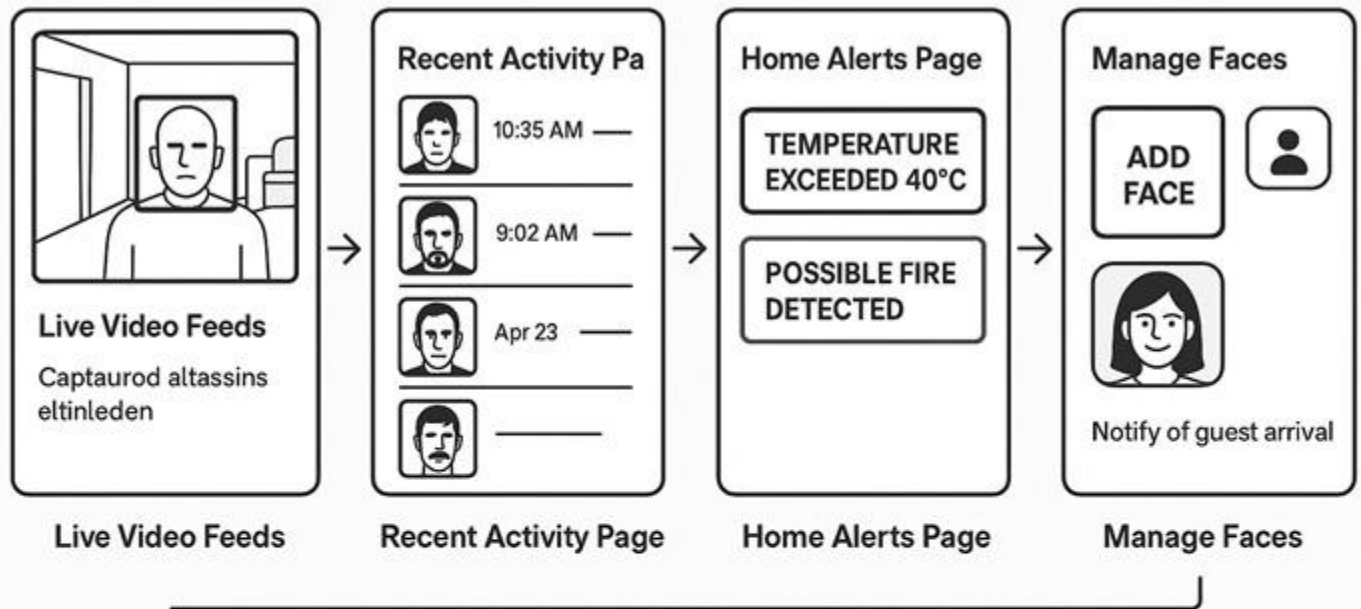
| **ESP-WHO** – A C-based library used for image and video processing made specifically for ESP-32.

| **Face Recognition** – The process of identifying and verifying individuals based on facial features.

| **Cloudinary Database** – A structured storage system where detected face logs, user data, and security events are stored.

Appendix B: Analysis Models





Displays constant live streaming from the camera. Marks and highlights any unknown faces for quick identification

Captures and displays images of intruders. Shows a timeline with date and time for each detected event

Provides color-coded alerts for quick visualizations and notifies via phone if needed

Allows uploading of new faces for future recognition. Option to notify the system in advance if a guest is expected

