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TERM PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT I

SAFEBOOK

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CLOUD BASED SERVICE BOOKING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: SAFEBOOK

SafeBook is an all-inclusive cloud-based booking platform that enables small businesses to easily manage their appointments and schedules. Its main purpose is to enable small businesses to allow their customers to create appointments based on their availability on a publicly shared schedule and equally manage them seamlessly and efficiently. For example, a barber has many clients and would like to manage all their appointments. This software would allow the barber to specify the time slots when they are available and the services they offer along with any other vital information and their customers would be able to book an appointment with them.

Key features will include user authentication, role-based access (either the businesses or the clients), calendar integration (for efficient booking functionality), and automated reminders to reduce no-shows.

There are three different cloud delivery models in cloud computing namely Platform As A Service(PAAS), Software As A Service(SAAS), and Infrastructure As A Service (IAAS). In this project, we will implement Software As A Service (SAAS) as the cloud delivery model and later deploy our web application on Vercel.

IMPLEMENTATION

We plan on implementing a full-stack application that supports seamless working between the frontend, backend, and database systems. For example, an action performed by the user on the front end (UI) sends requests to the backend which processes the information and then interacts with the database to either store/retrieve data, and a response is reflected on the front end.



Frontend (React/Next.js)

This is the part where clients/users directly interact and it holds all the visuals required by the users to interact with the system. For the implementation of this part, we will use React within the Next.js framework. This provides us with a wide range of advantages including but not limited to faster page load, file-based routing, the ability to create APIs within the same project, easy deployment, etc.

Backend (Next.js and Firebase)

Using the NextJS react framework will enable us to have routing for our web application using NextJS page routing. Also, for the backend, we will be using Firebase (BAAS-Backend As a Service) to enable us to handle our requests. The code for the development will be written using Javascript/Typescript.

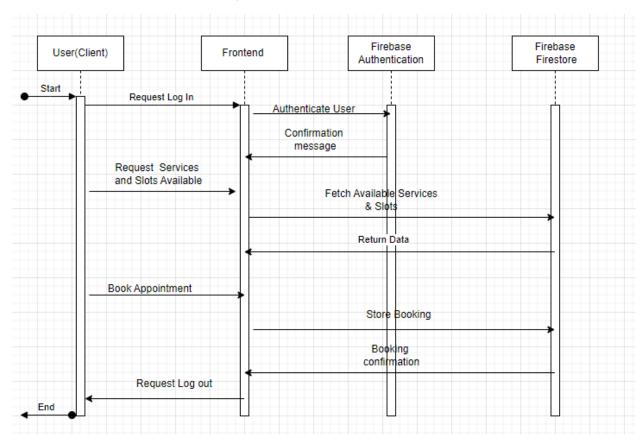
Firebase is a comprehensive app development platform owned by Google, designed to help developers build, improve, and grow applications across various platforms. Firebase is deeply integrated with Google Cloud Platform (GCP), enabling it to leverage Google's scalable infrastructure and powerful cloud services

Database (Firebase/External Database)

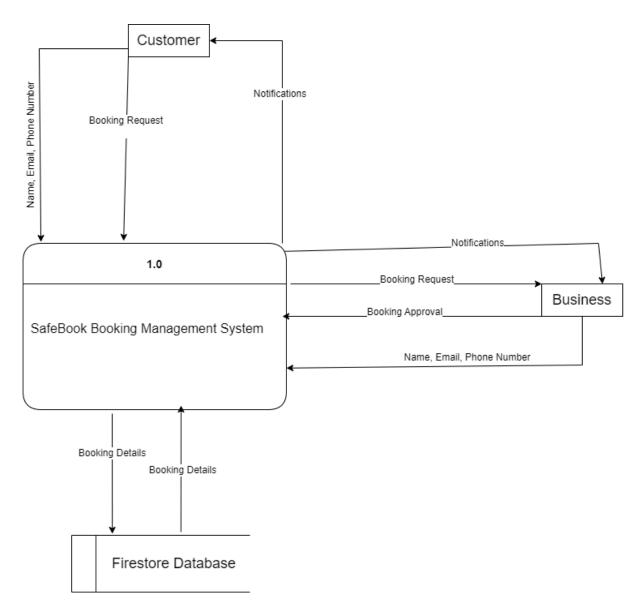
For data handling (storage and retrieval), we will use Firestore, a NoSQL database in the Firebase ecosystem. Communication with Firestore will be managed through Firebase's SDK, allowing for seamless real-time data handling. We may also use Firebase Cloud Functions for additional server-side logic as needed.

DIAGRAMS

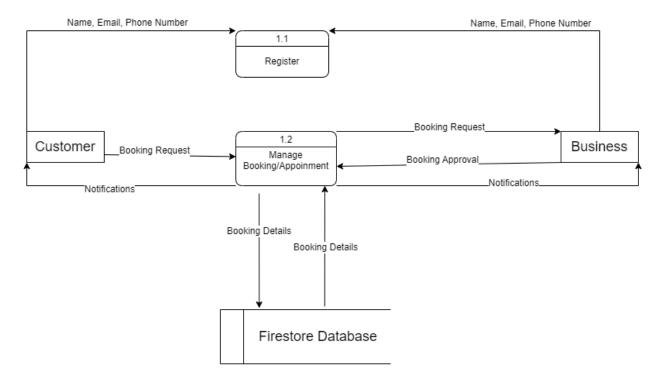
Client Service Interaction Diagram



Data Flow Diagrams



Level-0 Dataflow Diagram



Level-1 Dataflow Diagram

DATA TYPES

- Text The names, emails and passwords will be stored in text format(String)
- Numbers IDs, prices, duration, service amount will be stored in form of numbers
- Date-time/Timestamps Since its a booking platform we have to store the appointment dates in date-time format
- Metadata

COMPUTATION

- Timeslot calculations/ Overlap checking: Show customers available time slots for a business and ensure they can only book free time slots.
- Notifications: Notify users of successful bookings and businesses of booking requests.
- Authentication: Ensure user accounts are secured, and users can only login to their own accounts.

EXPECTED CONTRIBUTION

Frontend Development - Aaron

Backend Development - Both members

Database Design - Wendy

Cloud Setup - Both members

MILESTONES

Week 7

Setting up and firebase basics

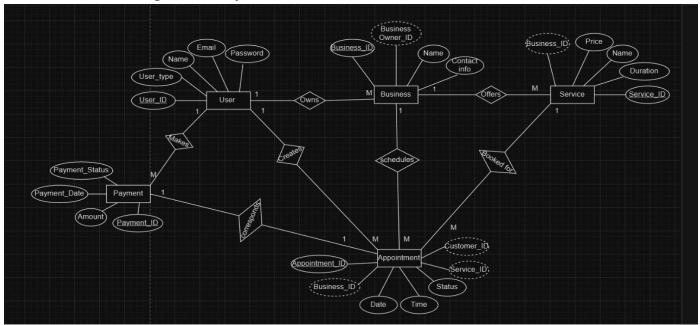
- We familiarized ourselves with the firebase and set up the project infrastructure
- Firebase set-up, learning basics and environment set-up
- GitHub set up and getting familiarized with it.

Week 8

- Login page design Aaron Bandado
- Landing page design Aaron Bandado
- Firestore database Setup Wendy

Week 9

Database design - Wendy Ondola



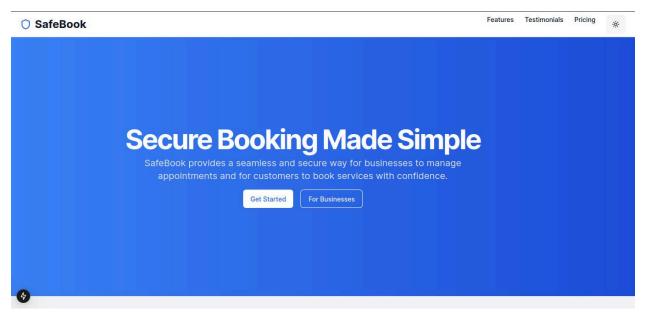
- Above is a skeleton design /schema of the database structure we would like to have. It shows the attributes that each document is expected to have and the relationships between these entities for example a business can schedule multiple appointments and a user can own a business(business owner) or create an appointment (Customer)
- In the schema we have a collection of documents including users, business, appointment, service and payment.

Week 10

- Implemented the UI functionalities eg, login
- Set up/implemented the database in Firestore and did the configuration.
- Synchronized the UI with the database in firestore i.e when user enters their login in information it is stored and reflected on the database in Firestore
- Report writing and compiling the final results.

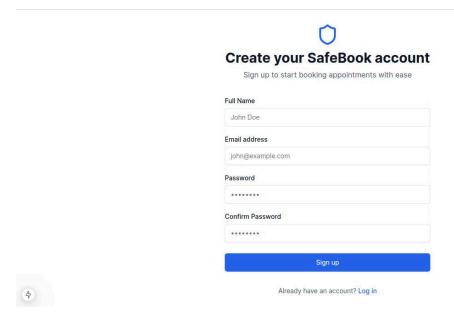
SCREENSHOT OF USER INTERFACE

The below image shows the landing page of the SafeBook application, designed to give information to visitors about the application.



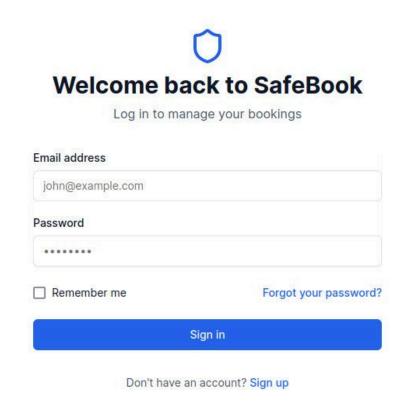
Safe Book Landing Page

The Image below shows the signup page for customers of the SafeBook application.



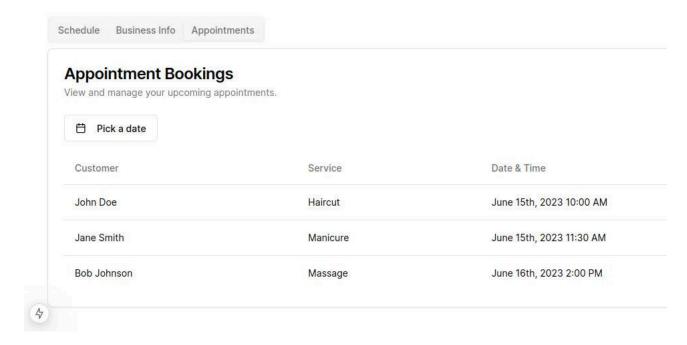
SafeBook User Signup Page

The below image shows the login page of the SafeBook application designed to allow users to login to the application.



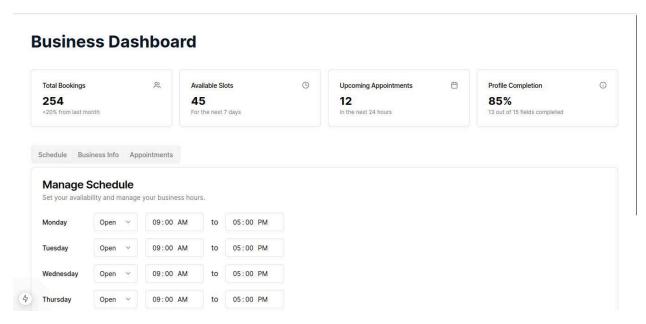
SafeBook Login Page

The image below shows the user interface for the appointment bookings table on the business dashboard. It shows the businesses the bookings made by the customers and the service they selected.



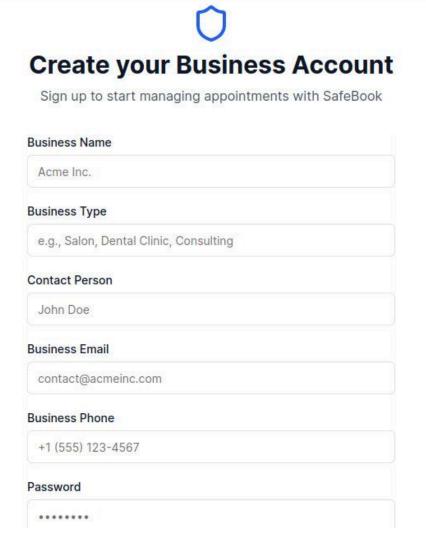
SafeBook Appointment Bookings Table

The image below shows an image of the dashboard for the business, which contains some metrics about the businesses bookings and appointments.



SafeBook Business Dashboard

The image below shows the signup page for the Business accounts. It is separate from the first signup page, because it requires more information from the businesses for them to be able to use the application.

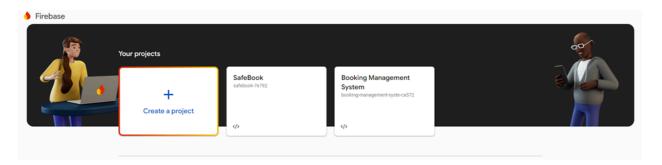


SafeBook Business Signup Page

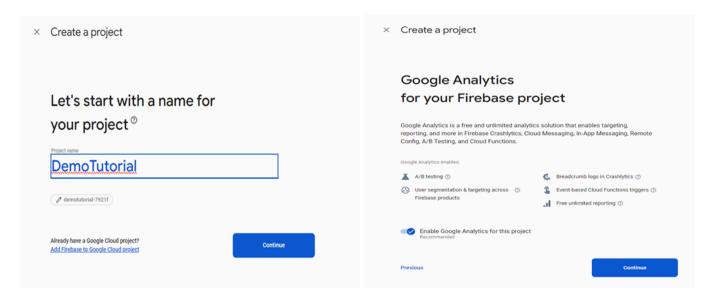
TUTORIAL FOR CLOUD TECHNOLOGY USED

1. Setting Up a Firebase Project

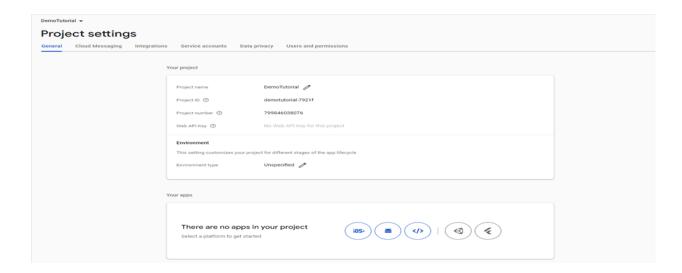
- Go to the Firebase Console.
- Click "Create Project" and follow the steps to name your project.



• Name your project and enable Google Analytics (optional).



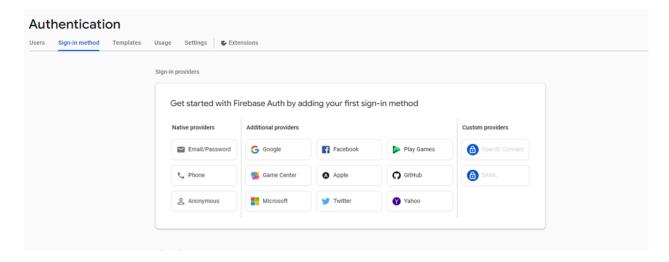
 Once the project is created, navigate to the **Project Settings** to find your project credential



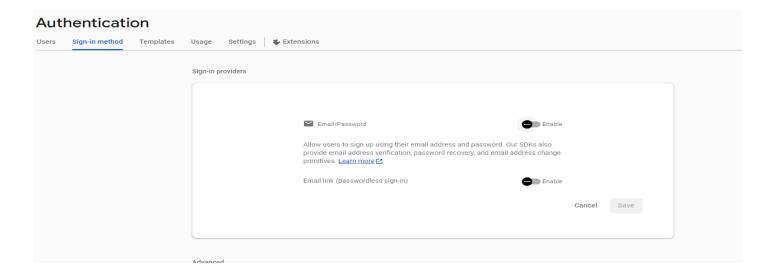
2. Firebase Authentication

· In Firebase Console:

Go to Build > Authentication > Sign-in Methods.



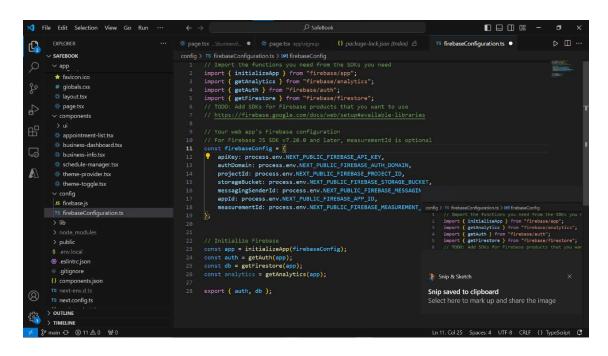
• Enable Email/Password and Google sign-in methods.



• Install Firebase in your app:

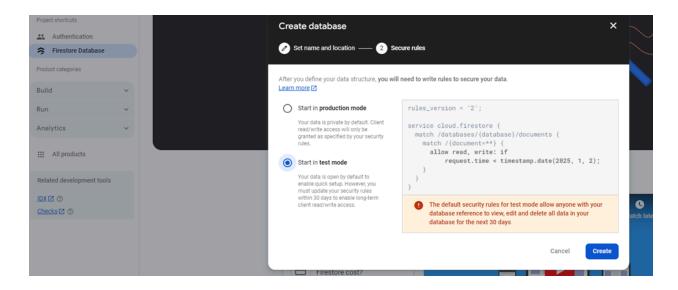
npm install firebase

• Initialize Firebase and add authentication:

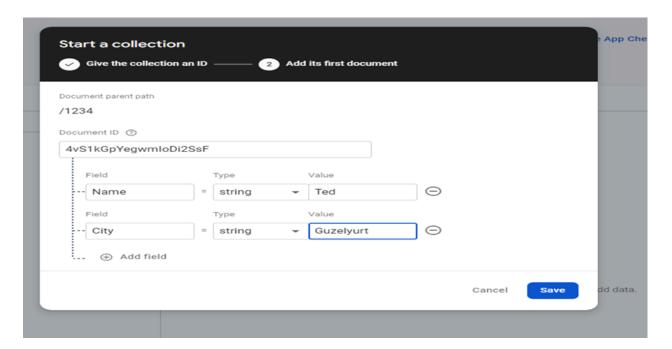


3. Firestore Database

- 1. Enable Firestore:
 - In the Firebase Console, go to **Build > Firestore Database**.
 - Click Create Database and select Test Mode.



2. Add a Document



GITHUB CLONING URL

Below is the GitHub link containing our repository.

 $\underline{https://github.com/aaronaminubandado/SafeBook.git}$

DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED SO FAR

- Deciding how to structure collections and documents in Firestore was a bit tricky.
- Firestore does not support deep/multiple nested queries. Had to consider that when designing the database.
- Connecting/Integrating UI elements to the database(Firestore) was one of the major difficulties encountered.

MILESTONES REMAINED

Week 11

- Connecting the frontend of the application to the database.
- Creating a customer page for them to make bookings.
- Ensuring booking creation functionality is available for businesses.

Week 12

- Implementing the logic for time slot calculation.
- Implementing notification for the users.

Week 13

- Testing and debugging
- Application deployment
- Final UI and database improvements

Week 14

• Report writing and application documentation

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