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Requirements for the project myMoney

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1 Document Purpose

The purpose of this document is to define requirements for the desktop application myMoney. This document may thus be to orient the development of the application. It seeks to understand the requirements of the problem, formulate the necessary functions and properties needed to answer this problem and its requirements, and then test these functions against these requirements. Hence, it may be used by our users to specify the problem and its requirements, by the developers to understand what functions their system must implement, and what to test their system against. The primary audience is the development team of the system, and the project testers for fine-tuning their testing strategy. It may also be read by users of the end product to find out the functionality of the system.

2 Project description

2.1 Introduction

At the present time, users who have more than one bank account can quickly get overwhelmed with the differing methods of access and interfaces for each account. It becomes arduous to access every account and difficult to visualise how much money one has and how one's budget changes on a day-to-day basis. There exists a plethora of software for money management, each greatly varying in design due to the complex and multifarious clientele. Existing applications of quality also tend to have extensive budgeting capabilities, and setting them up then learning to use them requires investing some number of hours that often scare off casual users who aren't interested in complex accounting functions. This lack of appropriate software for simple money management costs time and frustration for the common user, and discourages them from fully taking advantage of services that are provided by their banks, for fear of the complexity that may come with such services. Even simply keeping track of their finances becomes a daunting task, which negatively impacts both the users and the banks. We seek to design a desktop application to solve the most common issues in a simple and lightweight manner. a more in-depth discussion of the user profile is available in section 2.6.

2.2 System Context

Our system will mainly involve the user interacting with a desktop application interface. The user shall provide information about his bank accounts to the interface, which the system will store it in a local database. The system then establishes a connection to the banks, passing along the user information. It will then receive the data associated with the bank account(s) of the user, which it will then display to the user. Section 4 gives a more detailed view of all of the functions that the system will be able to perform.

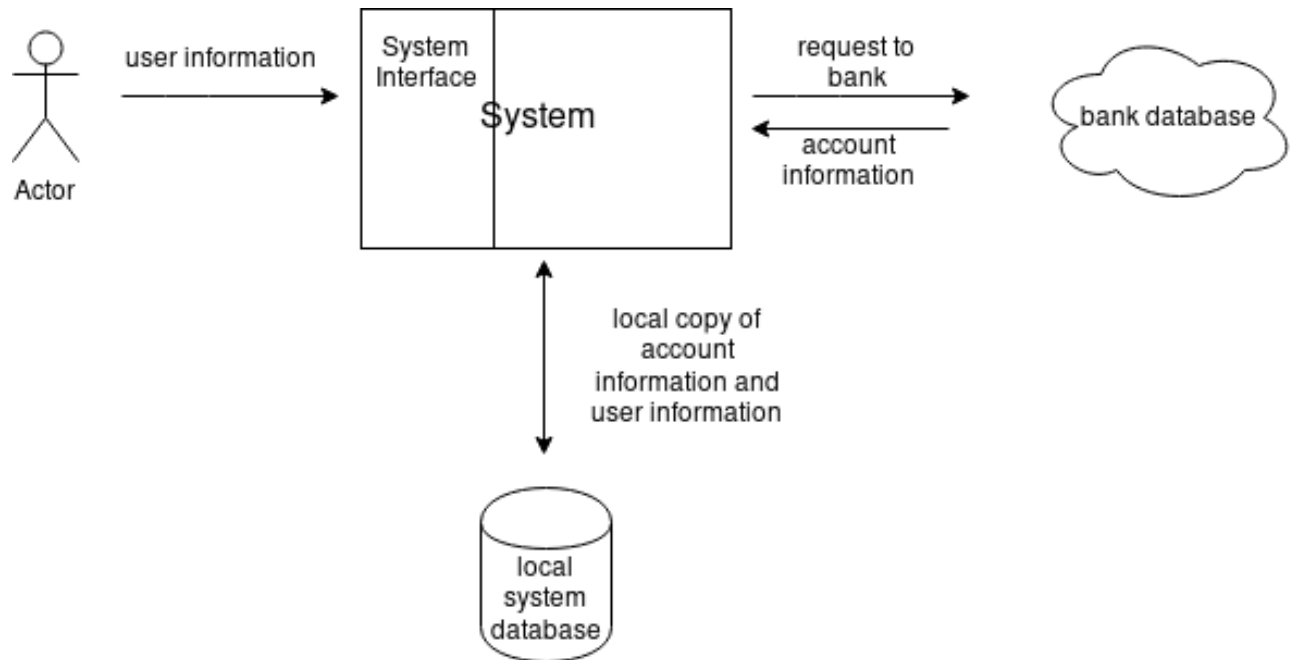


Figure 1: System Context

2.3 Scope

myMoney aims to be a small, simple tool which provides an easy method of viewing accounts across multiple banks, their transactions, and categorisation tools for grouping transactions across multiple accounts. One may create a user account and link their bank accounts to easily access them through myMoney. They may check the transactions of a specific account or all of the accounts at once, sort the transactions by date, type, or any other property of the transaction, and categorise certain transactions for better organisation and minimal budgeting. myMoney is intended to work alongside banking institutions: it relies on the data provided by banks to create a transaction history for the users. In short, it seeks to be an application for managing expenses so as to quickly make judgment calls on financial decisions, in a way that is accessible to even the most financially inexperienced user.

2.4 Business Goals

- **Compete with existing solutions**

We are not the sole developers of budgeting applications by far. Not just that, but users already have a procedure for accessing their bank accounts directly through interfaces provided by banks. As such, if we want to attract users to our product, we must be able to compete on the same playing field as these current applications/procedures. We must, at the very least, meet their level of performance, ease of use, security, and other qualities described in 3 for our system.

- **Target market: wide user-base composed mainly of millennials, students, new professionals**

Our customer group user group and development team happen to involve the same people: young professionals and students with little to no expected background in financing. As customers, this group has no interest in complex budgeting functions (if they do, they are not the target audience aimed by this system), but instead seeks some way of organising tracking their total assets. This group favours quickly accessed applications for frequent yet momentary usage. They want to quickly monitor their cash spending, and make long-term financial decisions based on clear, understandable data that they can access nearly immediately.

- **Future-proof, long-term robustness of the system** We wish to be able to support this system on a long-term basis. We also want to support users who might have a rather long transactional history, or might, over the years of using our application, gain such a transactional history, and these should be accommodated by the system to guarantee long-term success.

- **Reduce total cost of ownership**

For the above business goal, it is imperative for our application to be relatively cheap to maintain and support after development, as it would lengthen the lifetime of our system.

2.5 Domain Concepts

Domain Model

In this section we provide the domain model of our system, useful for users and documenters seeking to understand the general setup of our system. Useful to understanding this model is the the context of this system, provided in figure 1, to see the connections between the system and the actors.

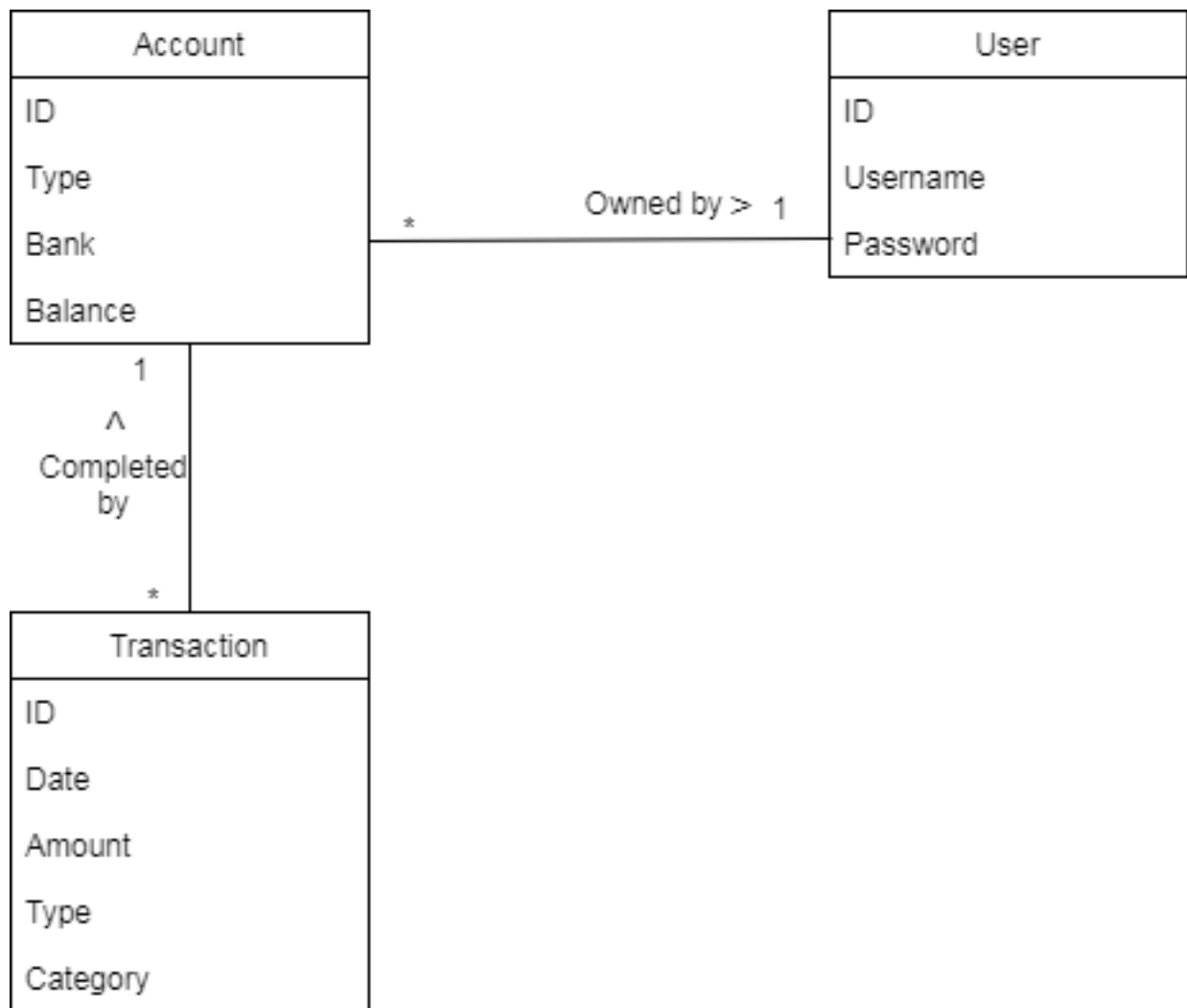


Figure 2: Domain Model

2.6 Actors

User

Our main actor is the user. All use cases are triggered by the user, as their requests that directly cause the bank system or our system to take action. All identification needed to access the bank system will be provided by the user. Using this information, the system will be able to answer queries made by the user as described in the use cases.

Bank

Our sole other actor is the bank(s) system. Each bank system provides an API for accessing its bank account data. Our system will pull this data directly from the bank systems (who act as secondary actors), using identification as given by the user for the bank's authentication system. In other words, our system will merely act as a middleman between the user demanding information in a specific format, and the banks holding that information in an inconvenient format.

3 Functional Requirements and Business Rules

3.1 Non-Functional Requirements

Table 3: Non-Functional Requirement 1 - Reliability and usability

Action	Reliability and usability
Requirement ID:	01
Type:	Quality of service
Description:	We want to guarantee that our system's reliability is only constrained by the reliability of the bank servers. We also to ensure the application is always usable, except during maintenance or communication with the database.
Reasoning:	The current procedure which users employ benefits from near-perfect up-time, as its only constraint is the reliability of the bank servers. In order to be competitive with this current solution, we must match this level of reliability.
Quality attribute scenario:	System operates mostly offline, and can function even without access to the internet using past data. System meets security and connectivity performance of current procedure.

Table 4: Non-Functional Requirement 2 - Simplicity and ease-of-use

Action	Simplicity and ease-of-use
Requirement ID:	02
Type:	Quality of service
Description:	The system should be easy to understand and not overburdened by unused features, allowing for clear display of relevant information.
Reasoning:	The current procedure for users to view their bank transactions across different accounts requires them to log in each individual bank account interface, then compare each distinct format for the bank accounts manually. This is tedious for most users, and hence easy to outperform and become competitive with the current procedures. It is also in our interest to pursue this, as our business targets a more casual user-base which tend to favours a simpler and more lightweight application.
Quality attribute scenario:	Installation of the system should be easy and require very little, if any, decisions from the user beyond choosing to install the system. With no training, a user should be able to intuitively learn and use the system in a short amount of time.

Table 5: Non-Functional Requirement 3 - Performance

Action	Performance
Requirement ID:	02
Type:	Quality of service
Description:	The system should ensure minimal load times, notably when connecting to the bank and the local database.
Reasoning:	With our target audience in mind, we want to be able to provide adequate performance when the system is used in frequent, short-time bursts. These sorts of applications tend to be popular with millennial audiences. Focusing on performance also renders our system more competitive, as our target audience highly favours quick interactions with the interface.
Quality attribute scenario:	System files should be small, less than 50MB. When the system connects to the internet (with reasonable bandwidth) to fetch transactions, they are returned to the user in less than 2 seconds.

Table 6: Non-Functional Requirement 4 - Maintainability and testability

Action	Maintainability and testability
Requirement ID:	03
Type:	Quality
Description:	The system should be maintainable on a long-term basis, A testing suite is imperative for adaptive development, as it aids in reducing time and cost of debugging, and lets us quickly conduct system diagnostics.
Reasoning:	Due to the dependency of the system upon the banks' API, it is necessary that the system should be easy to alter and maintain, and hence be capable of adapting to third-party changes. This both reduces costs of ownership and favours long-term use of the application.
Quality attribute scenario:	New modifications to the system should be fully covered by unit tests before another modification is implemented.

Table 7: Non-Functional Requirement 5 - Security

Action	Security
Requirement ID:	04
Type:	Quality
Description:	The system should guarantee a level of security, requiring valid credentials in order to access any sensitive information and denying access otherwise.
Reasoning:	A user's bank information is incredibly sensitive, and any possible security flaw could cripple the entire system and destroy any sort of trusted relationship that users may have developed with our business. It is thus of utmost importance that any data coming from the banks are accessible solely with proper authentication. Improper security would certainly negatively impact user trust in our business.
Quality attribute scenario:	Database should be encrypted, and testing suite should include verification of security measures on the system.

Table 8: Non-Functional Requirement 6 - Portability

Action	Portability
Requirement ID:	05
Type:	Quality
Description:	Since the system is fairly lightweight, it should also focus on compatibility with older hardware (within reason) and support numerous operating systems, to encourage a wide user-base.
Reasoning:	We want to cater to a wide and somewhat casual audience, who may not be technologically adept and still rely on old (but familiar) hardware. The lightweight quality of our application means that it would easily be run on older hardware, provided we also ensure compatibility with said hardware.
Quality attribute scenario:	System should support older versions of popular OS's, such as windows 7/windows vista.

Table 9: Non-Functional Requirement 7 - Scalability

Action	Scalability
Requirement ID:	06
Type:	Quality
Description:	The system should function even on a long-term basis, and hence be capable of handling a growing number of transactions. The scaling size of the database should be managed by the system so as not to overwhelm the hardware it is running on.
Reasoning:	As we foresee our system being used on a long period of time, we should also acknowledge the possibility of users acquiring a large history of transactions over time. We should thus plan accordingly and put measures of precautions so as not to overwhelm their machines when loading in a large database. Crippling their machine could result in a negative perception of business and system.
Quality attribute scenario:	System should use SQLite to minimize database size, and take precautions not to load an entire database in memory should the number of transactions exceed a size that may be unmanageable by the hardware.

Table 10: Non-Functional Requirement 8 - Data integrity

Action	Data integrity
Requirement ID:	07
Type:	Quality
Description:	Bank accounts data (description as well as transactions) must match the data provided by the banks.
Reasoning:	For obvious reasons, we want to guarantee data integrity. Not meeting this requirement would harm the reputation of the business, and render the system rather useless.
Quality attribute scenario:	system should verify data validity, and tests should include verification of matching data between the local database and the banks' database

Table 11: Non-Functional Requirement 9 - Java

Action	Java
Requirement ID:	08
Type:	Design Constraint
Description:	The system should be programmed in Java.
Reasoning:	To take advantage of the JVM's portability, we would be able to develop for numerous platforms whilst having to maintain a single version of the system.

Table 12: Non-Functional Requirement 10 - Object-oriented design

Action	Object-oriented design
Requirement ID:	09
Type:	Design Constraint
Description:	The design of the system should be object-oriented.
Reasoning:	As we will be using java, we should embrace the style of the language and use object-oriented programming. This will also ease maintainability and portability.

Table 13: Non-Functional Requirement 11 - Model-view-controller architecture

Action	Model-view-controller architecture
Requirement ID:	10
Type:	Design Constraint
Description:	The design of the system should use a MVC architecture.
Reasoning:	As our main development time for creating a prototype is fairly short, using MVC will allow us to properly segment each part of our code, and thus give it a strict structure, as well as make it more easily maintainable and testable.

Table 14: Non-Functional Requirement 12 - SQLite database

Action	SQLite database
Requirement ID:	11
Type:	Design Constraint
Description:	The system should use SQLite
Reasoning:	As our system is fairly simple and favours a lightweight design, using a more complex database would be a waste of resources.

4 Functional Requirements

This section will cover the functional requirements associated with the myMoney app. These are the software capabilities that must be present in order for the user to carry out the services provided by the app or to execute the use cases.

- **User account creation:** The system allows the creation of user accounts, with information (user-name, password, first name, and last name) provided by the user.
- **User account authentication:** The system shall grant a user access only to a properly authenticated user. If a user does not enter credentials, the system shall notify the user of the failure to authenticate.
- **User account management:** The system shall require proper authentication to modify and/or delete a user account.
- **Bank account management:** The system permits a logged-in user to add, manipulate, or remove bank accounts that are connected to the user account.
- **Transaction management:** The system permits a logged-in user to access the details of transactions associated with all bank accounts that were added to the user account. The system obtains these transactions through the banking system's API. The system allows different display formats, such as 'sorted by date' or 'sorted by type' or 'sorted by bank account'.
- **Categorisation:** The system permits the categorisation of transactions, a property by which the transactions may be sorted.

5 User-Stories

User-Story 1

As a user, I should be able to create, manage and delete my user account. I should have the options to view and update personal information to facilitate more efficient use of the application and personalise my experience.

Acceptance criteria:

- It should be possible to sign up with a username and a password.
- It should be possible to update personal information, including the name, email address, phone number and password.
- The application should provide quality user experience when accessing and updating account information

User-Story 2

As a user, I should have ability to manage my bank account information. The application should allow me to connect my bank accounts, remove bank accounts and view all the information associated with the bank account.

Acceptance criteria:

- It should be possible to connect a bank account to the application.
- It should be possible to remove a bank account from the application.
- The application should display bank account information including:
 - Bank account ID
 - Bank name
 - Account type
 - Account balance
 - History of transactions
- The application should provide a way to see bank account statements for a specific period.
- It should be possible to sort the list of all bank account transactions by any of its attributes, such as the type of the transaction and the amount.

User-Story 3

As a user, I should have the ability to group my bank account transactions into categories, to be able to manage my finances more efficiently.

Acceptance criteria:

- The application should allow to assign a transaction to a category, such as monthly payments, groceries, leisure, etc.
- I should be able to view transactions of a particular category.

5.1 Description of File Format: Input

The user enters plain text through the interface of the system. The banking systems provide bank account data by passing a copy of their account, in binary form.

5.2 Description of File Format: Output

The system outputs its database data in plain text form, displayed through its interface.

6 Use Cases

6.1 Overview

Use cases 1 through 4 deal with the user manipulating his accounts. Use cases 5 through 7 and 9 deal with the user viewing the data in different formats. Use case 8 deals with the user manipulating the transactions' formats. For iteration 1, we have only included use case 1, 3, 5, and 6, as those are the ones we have fully implemented. Below is figure 3 which represents our use case diagram. Following this diagram, we list our uses cases

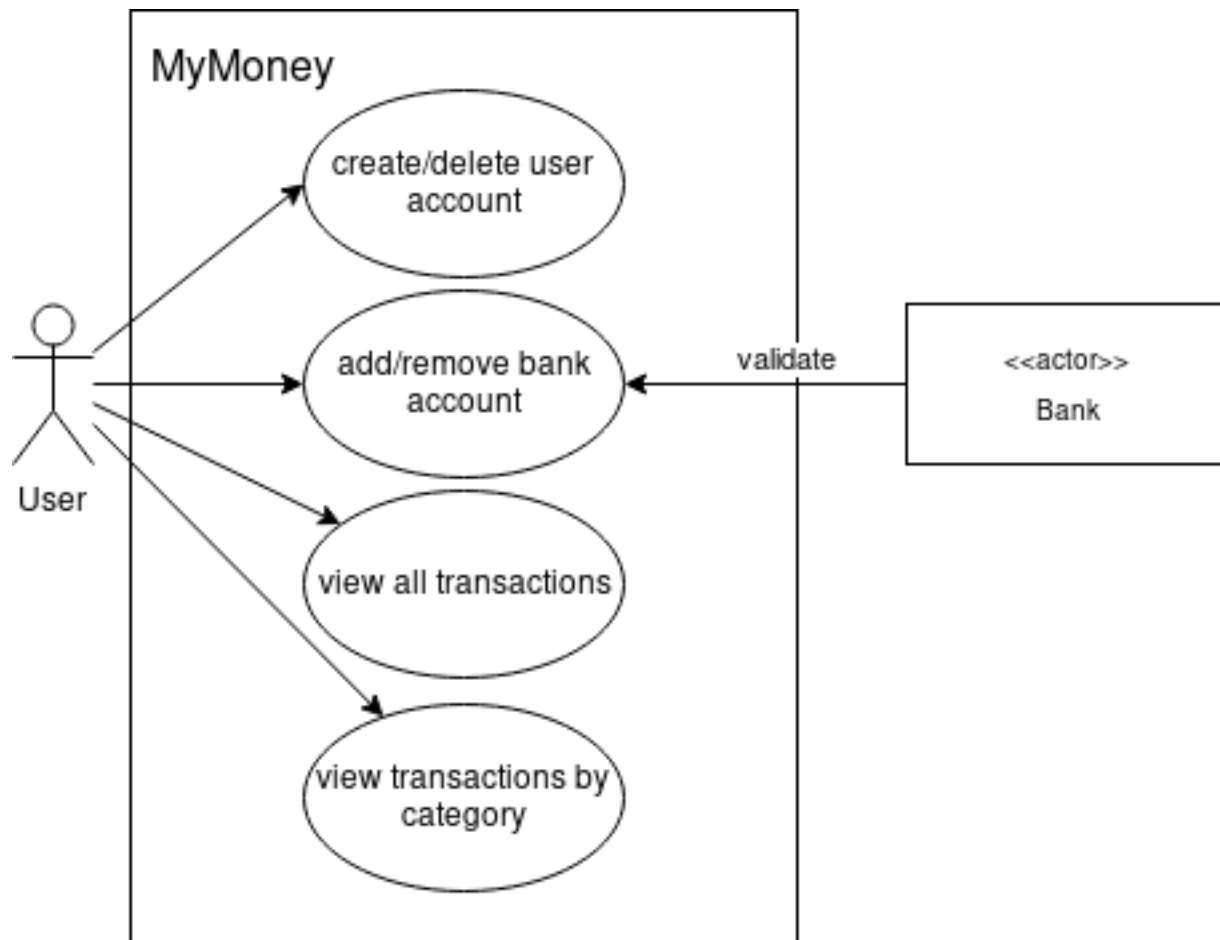


Figure 3: Use Case Diagram

Table 15: Use Case 1 - Create User Account

Action	Create User Account
Case ID	01
Summary	User gives information about a new user account, system validates it and creates the account.
Description	This use case describes how a user can create their own account for the myMoney application in order to use the application, add bank accounts and view and categorize their transactions
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants fast and easy account creation, clear and comprehensible display, proof of successful account creation. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled, wants to prevent erroneous input, wants fast communication with the local account database as well as fault tolerance in case of database conflicts, issues with editing authorization, or other possible database problems.
Pre-Conditions	User has opened the application and is in the sign-up menu.
Success Guarantee	Account successfully saved in local account database, with name and password as specified by the user.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User enters a user-name, first name, last name, and password. 2. System validates user-name and password 3. System creates new account. 4. System notifies the user of the successful account creation
Exceptions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User account is not created if there is an existing user name 2. Account is not created if password does not match specified format
Post-Conditions	The application will return the user to the home menu after a successful account creation. User can then log into the system
Priority	High
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 16: Use Case 2 - Delete User Account

Action	Delete User Account
Case ID	02
Summary	User deletes a user account from the local accounts database, removing all bank accounts and information associated with that account.
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants easy navigation and secure account deletion, no risk of accidental deletion, proof of successful account deletion. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled, wants to ensure clean deletion from the database.
Pre-Conditions	User has logged in the user account he wants to delete.
Success Guarantee	user account is successfully deleted, all associated bank information is deleted, and user is returned to the home menu.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User enters the account settings, then selects 'delete account'. 2. System brings up a confirmation menu to ensure that this selection was not accidentally entered. 3. User confirms his choice. 4. System successfully deletes all relevant entries in the local database, then notifies the user of this successful deletion. 5. User confirms having read this notification. 6. System brings the user back to the home menu.
Exceptions	
Post-Conditions	
Priority	
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 17: Use Case 3 - Add Bank Account to a User Account

Action	Add Bank Account to a User Account
Case ID	03
Summary	User gives information about a new bank account, system sends it to the bank for verification then creates necessary entries in the local database once the bank approves the information.
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User , Bank
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants fast and easy account creation, clear and comprehensible display, proof of successful account creation. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled, wants to prevent erroneous input, wants fast communication with the local account database as well as the bank, wants fault tolerance in case of database conflicts, issues with the bank, or other possible local database problems. 3. Bank: Wants to satisfy its customer base, wants correctly formatted account information given to its API, inexpensive and non-redundant communication of bank account data to third-party applications.
Pre-Conditions	User has logged in a user account and is in the user home menu.
Success Guarantee	Bank account successfully saved in local account database, with information corresponding the data validated by the bank.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User enters his/her bank account number. 2. System validates input, and sends it to the bank for verification and connection. 3. Bank validates bank account number, and then responds with the bank account information. 4. System records the valid bank account details securely in its database, and notifies the user of the successful addition of the bank account in the database.
Exceptions	
Post-Conditions	
Priority	
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 18: Use Case 4 - Remove Bank Account from a User Account

Action	Remove Bank Account from a User Account
Case ID	04
Summary	User deletes a bank account from the local database.
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants easy navigation and secure account deletion, no risk of accidental deletion, proof of successful account deletion. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled, wants to ensure clean deletion from the database.
Pre-Conditions	User has logged in the user account whose active association with a bank account is the one the user wants to delete.
Success Guarantee	Bank account is successfully removed from that user account, all associated bank information is deleted from the local database, and user is returned to the account home menu.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User selects the account he wants to remove, then selects 'remove account'. 2. System brings up a confirmation menu to ensure that this selection was not accidentally entered. 3. User confirms his choice. 4. System successfully deletes all relevant entries in the local database, then notifies the user of this successful deletion. 5. User confirms having read this notification. 6. System brings the user back to the home account menu.
Exceptions	
Post-Conditions	
Priority	
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 19: Use Case 5 - View Transactions for Specific Bank Account

Action	View Transactions for Specific Bank Account
Case ID	05
Summary	User selects specific bank account and views transactions associated with with selected bank account
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants quick and convenient viewing of previous transactions from one specific bank account 2. Company: Wants to give user ability to micromanage every aspect of the application down to each bank account and transaction.
Pre-Conditions	User has created and logged into a user account, and has added at least one bank account to his/her myMoney account.
Success Guarantee	User can view transaction by bank account.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User selects specific bank account from list of all accounts. 2. System displays all previous transactions under specified bank account. 3. User selects desired transaction. 4. System shows all information about desired transaction, such as date and amount withdrawn, deposited, or transferred.
Exceptions	
Post-Conditions	
Priority	
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 20: Use Case 6 - View All Transactions from all Bank Accounts

Action	View All Transactions from all Bank Accounts
Case ID	06
Summary	User can view all transactions that have been made from all bank accounts
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants easy and convenient viewing of all transactions among all bank accounts. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled.
Pre-Conditions	User has created and logged into a user account, and at least one bank account has been added to his/her myMoney account.
Success Guarantee	User is able to conveniently view all transactions from all institutions in one display.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User selects View All Transactions option. 2. System shows all transactions across all accounts on one display.
Exceptions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User has not added any account. 2. User has no any transaction record.
Post-Conditions	
Priority	High
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 21: Use Case 7 - Update User Account

Action	Update User Account
Case ID	07
Summary	User can make changes and update personal information
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants to change personal information to keep up-to-date records on information such as address and email as well as changing user account password. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled.
Pre-Conditions	User has created and logged in a user account.
Success Guarantee	User can easily update changes in personal information to guarantee accurate personal records
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User selects update user account information. 2. System shows current user account information. 3. User selects the piece of information that requires updating. 4. User enters new information. 5. System updates and saves the new information.
Exceptions	
Post-Conditions	
Priority	
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 22: Use Case 8 - Categorize Transaction

Action	Categorize Transaction
Case ID	08
Summary	User can select a category to represent a transaction.
Description	This use case describes how a user can categorize their transactions with specific labels in order to sort their spending and better manage where most of their money is being spent
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants to label each transaction as a specific type of spending, such as rent, bills, leisure, etc., to better manage and track spending habits. 2. Company: Wants user interests to be fulfilled. Wants to facilitate user's ability to budget and manage money through simple categorization of spending.
Pre-Conditions	User has created and logged in a user account, added at least one bank account, and has made at least one type of transaction.
Success Guarantee	User can quickly and efficiently categorize each transaction.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User selects desired transaction to categorize. 2. User selects the categorize option. 3. System displays the categories in a drop down menu. 4. User selects preferred category to represent the current transaction. 5. System saves transaction under chosen category.
Exceptions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User has not added a bank account and cannot categorize any transactions within until one is added 2. User does not have any transactions within his bank account and cannot categorize anything
Post-Conditions	User will have organized his transactions into specific categories of his choosing for easier viewing. The application will save these new categorized transactions.
Priority	High
Traces to Test Cases	

Table 23: Use Case 9 - View Transactions by Any Attribute

Action	View Transactions by Any Attribute
Case ID	09
Summary	User can view transaction by any attribute, from date of purchase or amount of purchase to category of purchase or type.
Scope	money and budget management application
Level	user-goal
Actors	User
Stakeholders and Interests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User: Wants to view transactions sorted by any one attribute. 2. Company: Wants to optimize the ease in which a user can allocate his/her budget, and track spending habits.
Pre-Conditions	User has created and logged in a user account, has added at least one bank account, and has made at least one transaction.
Success Guarantee	User can view categorized transactions by selecting one attribute. Default sorting is ascending order by alphabet or value of number. Click the same attribute twice will sort in descending order.
Main Success Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User clicks the button;View All Transactions;. 2. System shows all transactions from all accounts on one display. 3. User selects to view sorted transaction by clicking any one attribute. 4. System sorts transactions by the selected attribute in ascending order.
Exceptions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User has not added any account. 2. User has no any transaction record.
Post-Conditions	
Priority	High
Traces to Test Cases	

7 Reference

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