System Narrative

I will be developing a Help Desk Ticket System. This system will give an employee of an organization who has a work related problem the opportunity to get their problem resolved via the Help Desk System. When a user (an employee who has logged into the Help System) has a problem or query, they will log onto the system using their e-mail and password and make a new support ticket from their user dashboard. The ticket is then submitted to the relevant person or department for resolution.

Administrators have special accounts and their own special admin dashboard after logging into the system. Administrator accounts may be assigned to I.T. Support personnel within a company as their main function is to solve users' tickets. They may view and respond to tickets and when the problem is solved they made close tickets. Administrators have extra options on their dashboard such as changing the status, priority, department, category of tickets submitted. They may also request system summary reports which may show certain information via charts such as number on tickets submitted based on department name.

List of Requirements

There will be 3 different access types for the help desk system:

- Guest Account (Normal user dashboard)
- Registered User (Normal user dashboard)
- Administrator (Administrator dashboard)

Guest account details:

- Have the option to sign up and become registered user
- May only add and have 1 open ticket in the system at any one time
- May update ticket submitted
- May close ticket submitted
- May respond to Administrators to try provide any more details that may be needed to solve ticket

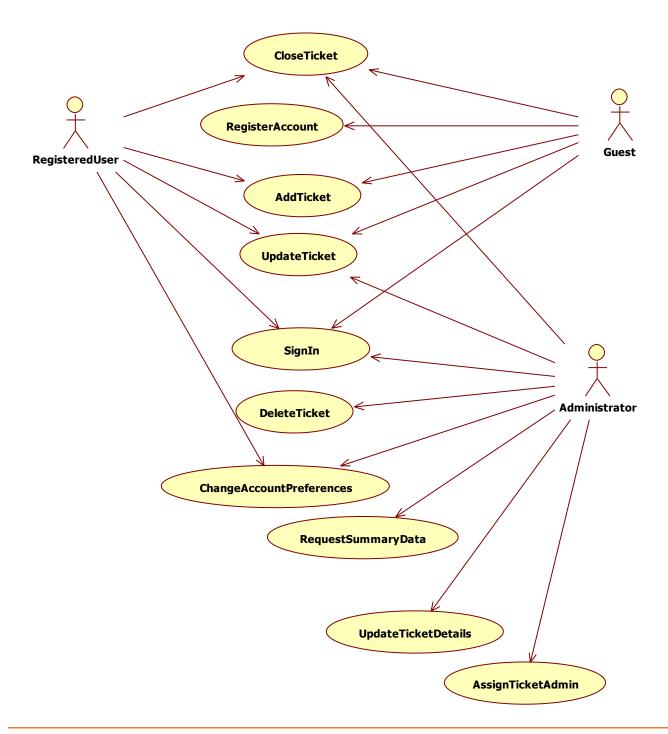
Registered user account details:

- Password needed to avoid un-authorized access
- May change account details in preferences tab (email, password, name, department etc)
- May add numerous tickets into the system at any one time
- May update tickets submitted
- May close tickets submitted
- May respond to Administrators to try provide any more details that may be needed to solve tickets

Administrator account details:

- Password needed to avoid un-authorized access
- May change account details in preferences tab (email, password, name, department etc)
- May view all tickets submitted (option to view tickets based on department, category, priority etc)
- May respond(update) to tickets submitted
- May close and delete solved tickets
- May change options such as ticket name, department, category and assign ticket priority
- May assign tickets to certain administrators.
- May request system summary data (tables, charts etc)

Use Case Diagram



Use Case Descriptions

Use case: Close Ticket

Actors: Registered User, Administrator, Guest

Purpose: To allow Registered Users, Administrators, Guests to close their solved

tickets

Overview: Registered Users, Administrators, Guests close tickets which are

already solved

Preconditions: Ticket must be an open ticket in the system

Postconditions: Ticket is closed and the open status is marked as closed

Successful Scenario

1. This use case begins when Registered Users, Administrators, Guests wish to close a solved ticket

2. Registered Users, Administrators, Guests mark ticket status as closed

Alternative Flow of Events

Use case: RegisterAccount

Actors: Guest

Purpose: To allow Guests to upgrade their account to a Registered Account

Overview: A guest chooses a password and upgrades account to Registered

Account

Preconditions: Must have a guest username

Postconditions: Guest account is upgraded to registered account

Successful Scenario

- 1. This use case begins when a guest wishes to upgrade their account to a registered account
- 2. Guest opens login screen
- 3. Guest enters their guest username
- 4. Guest chooses password
- 5. Guest submits details and system upgrades account to registered account

Alternative Flow of Events

Line 5:

username incorrect. Indicate error. Return to Step 2.

Password length/type invalid. Indicate error. Return to Step 3.

Use case: AddTicket

Actors: Guest, Registered User

Purpose: To allow Guests and Registered Users submit a new ticket into the

system

Overview: A guest or registered user has a query or problem, enters their ticket

details and submits ticket into system

Preconditions: Guest must not already have ticket in system

Postconditions: New ticket is entered into system

Successful Scenario

- 1. This use case begins when a guest or registered user has a problem and wishes to submit a new ticket into the system
- 2. guest or registered user fills out ticket information
- 3. guest or registered user submits ticket into the system

Alternative Flow of Events

Line 3:

Guest already has a ticket in the system. Indicate error.

Use case: UpdateTicket

Actors: Guest, Registered User, Administrator

Purpose: To allow Guests, Administrators and Registered Users update a ticket in

the system

Overview: A guest, admin or registered user has some more information and

wants to update the already open ticket in the system

Preconditions: Ticket must be open in the system

Postconditions: Ticket is changed and system updates the ticket

Successful Scenario

- 1. This use case begins when a guest, admin or registered user has some more information and wishes to update a ticket in the system
- 2. guest, admin or registered opens ticket
- 3. guest, admin or registered updates the ticket and submits the new information

Alternative Flow of Events

Line 3:

Ticket is already closed. Indicate error.

Use case: SignIn

Actors: Guest, Registered User, Administrator

Purpose: To allow Guests, Admins and Registered to log into the system and

their dashboard

Overview: A guest, admin or registered user wishes to log into the system to

access their dashboard

Preconditions: guest, admin or registered must enter in correct details

Postconditions: guest, admin or registered user have access to their dashboard

Successful Scenario

1. This use case begins when a guest, admin or registered user wishes to log into the system to access their dashboard

- 2. guest, admin or registered user fills out account information
- 3. guest, admin or registered user submits account information into the system for authentification

Alternative Flow of Events

Line 3:

Guest user name already in use. Indicate error. Return to Step 2 Invalid username or password. Indicate error. Return to Step 2.

Use case: DeleteTicket

Actors: Administrator

Purpose: To allow administrators to delete tickets from the system

Overview: An admin wishes to delete a closed ticket from the system

Preconditions: Ticket must be closed

Postconditions: Ticket is deleted from system

Successful Scenario

- 1. This use case begins when an admin wishes to delete a closed ticket from the system.
- 2. admin opens ticket
- 3. admin submits ticket to system for deletion

Alternative Flow of Events

Line 3:

Ticket is open and in use. Indicate error.

Use case: ChangeAccountPreferences

Actors: Administrator, Registered User

Purpose: To allow Admins and Registered Users to change their account settings

Overview: An admin or registered user wishes to change their account settings

Preconditions: Account must have the correct privileges

Postconditions: New account settings are updated and saved into the system

Successful Scenario

- 1. This use case begins when an admin or registered user wishes to change their account settings
- 2. admin or registered opens account preferences
- 3. admin or registered user submits new account info and submits it to the system to be updated and saved

Alternative Flow of Events

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Use case: RequestSummaryData

Actors: administrator

Purpose: To allow administrators to request system summary date

Overview: A administrator wishes to access pie charts, tables with system

summary data

Preconditions: Must have correct privileges

Postconditions: System summary data is outputted into a file for admin use

Successful Scenario

- 1. This use case begins when an admin wishes to view system data in the form of tables and charts
- 2. admin submits request to the system
- 3. system outputs data into a file

Alternative Flow of Events

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Use case: UpdateTicketDetails

Actors: Administrator

Purpose: To allow admins to update specific ticket details

Overview: An admin wishes to update specific ticket information such as ticket

name, department, priority

Preconditions: Ticket must be in the system

Postconditions: Ticket details are updated and saved into the system

Successful Scenario

1. This use case begins when an admin wishes to change or correct certain ticket details

2. admin opens ticket window

3. admin changes specific details and submits new details into system

Alternative Flow of Events

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Use case: AssignTicketAdmin

Actors: Administrator

Purpose: To allow admins to assign specific tickets to specific admins

Overview: An admin wishes to assign a certain ticket to another administrator

Preconditions: Must be an open ticket in the system

Postconditions: Tickets assigned admin is changed

Successful Scenario

1. This use case begins when an admin wishes to assign a ticket to another admin in the system

2. admin opens ticket window

3. admin assigns ticket to another admin and submits it into the system

Alternative Flow of Events

Line 3:

Ticket is already closed in the system. Indicate error.

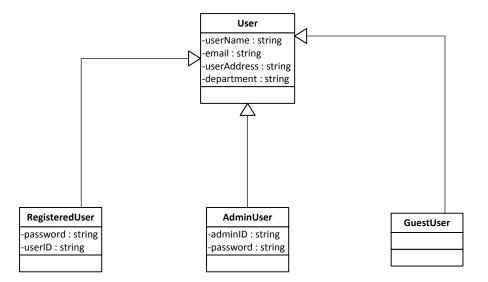
Class Diagram

Ticket

-ticketID: string
-ticketName: string
-user: string
-status: string
-priority: string
-category: string
-department: string
-dateOpen: string
-dateClose: string

SignIn

-email : string -password : string -accType : string



Register

-guestName : string -password : string

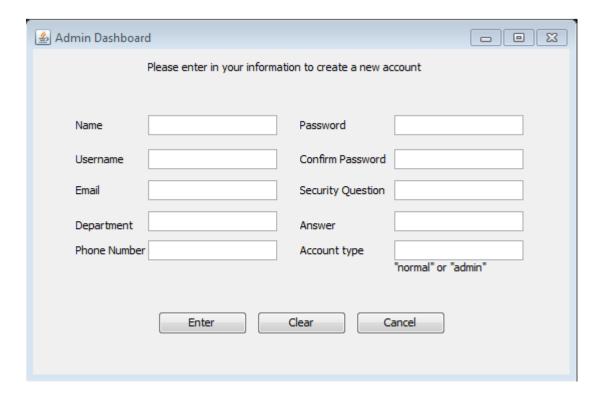
Input Design

Login



When the system is started the user will be prompted for their user name and password. If they have forgotten either username or password they will be prompted to make a new account. The user may login if the details are correct and will be brought to the admin/user dashboard. If a user does not have an account they have the option of creating one. They may also cancel the screen and shut down the program.

Create Account



When a user clicks the create account button on the login page they are brought to the Create Account window. The user is prompted to enter in all their details including name, username, email, department, phone number, password, security question and answer. The details are checked and if correct they user may enter them and have their account created, they are then brought to their new accounts admin/user dashboard If the details are incorrect the user in prompted to enter them in again. The user also has the option of entering in an admin or user account type. The user may also clear all fields or cancel to shut down the system.

Admin Dashboard



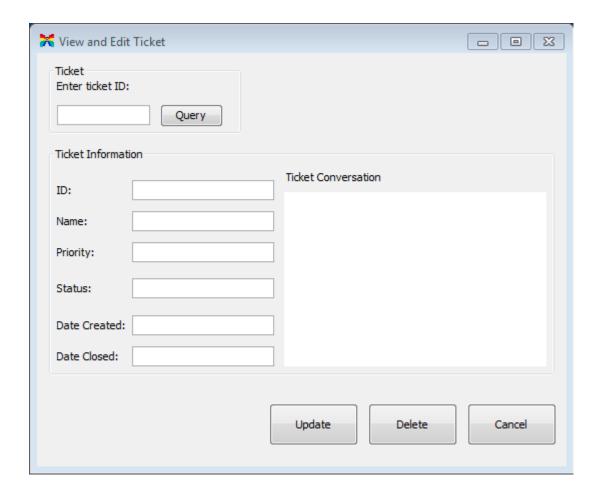
This is the admin dashboard. Admins have the option to submit a ticket, open ticket editor or open account settings. They can also logout to safely close the program. All open tickets in the database are displayed in the Open Tickets section of the dashboard. The open tickets database display may be refreshed to update the tickets in the database after a ticket is submitted or deleted.

User Dashboard



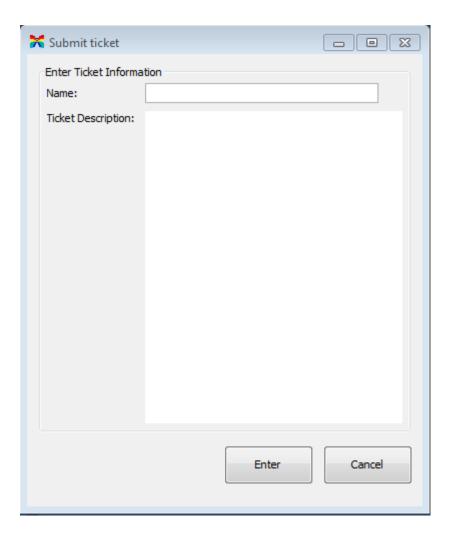
This is the user dashboard. Users have the option to submit a ticket, open ticket editor or open account settings. They can also logout to safely logout to close the program. All the users open tickets are displayed in the Open Tickets section of the dashboard. The user may refresh their open tickets after they have submitted a ticket or deleted one of their tickets.

View and Edit Ticket



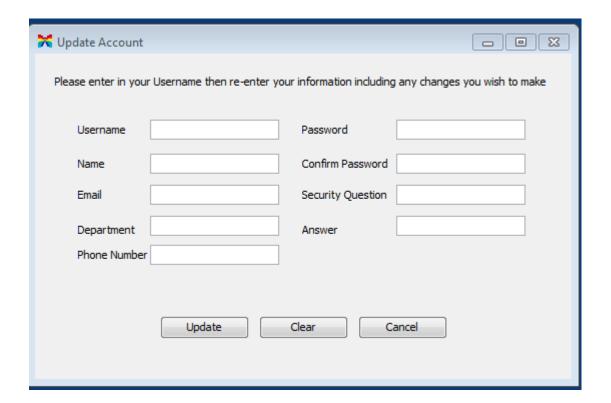
The admin has the option to enter in any ticketID to retrieve it from the database. Users may also retrieve their tickets. The admin/user may answer/reply the ticket via the Ticket Conversation area. Users and admins may change the name of the ticket, priority, status, date created and date closed. The admin/user may also choose to cancel to close the window.

Submit Ticket



The user is prompted to enter in all ticket details before he adds a ticket into the system. When the user enters their ticket a screen pops up to let them know it has been added successfully to the database. User is required to enter in name of ticket, and the problem via ticket description. User may cancel to close window.

Change Account Settings

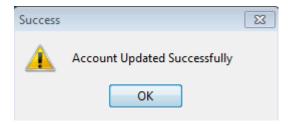


Admins and users may change their account settings via the Change Account Settings window. They may change all user settings that were entered upon account creation except their username. Options to clear all fields and exit window are also available. The user may cancel to close the window.

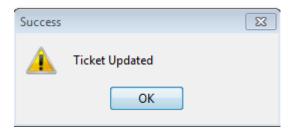
Output Design

The output screens consist of 5 screens that will pop up and alert the user for each specific purpose.

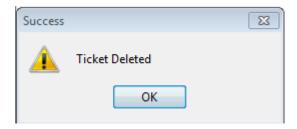
Account updated screen



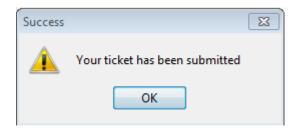
Ticket updated screen



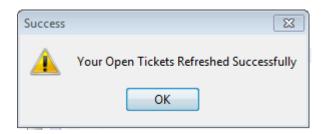
Ticket Deleted screen



Ticket submitted screen



Tickets Refreshed Successfully



Database Design

The database will be a simple layout. It will consist of 2 tables, the ticket table (with primary keys TicketID and TicketName) to hold all ticket information and a user table (with primary key UserID) which will hold all system user details.

Ticket	
PK PK	TicketID TicketName
	UserID Status Priority DateCreated DateClosed Conversation
	creates

User		
PK	<u>UserID</u>	
	UserName Userpassword SecurityQuestion	
	SecurityAnswe AdminRights Fmail	
	Fname PhoneNumber Department	