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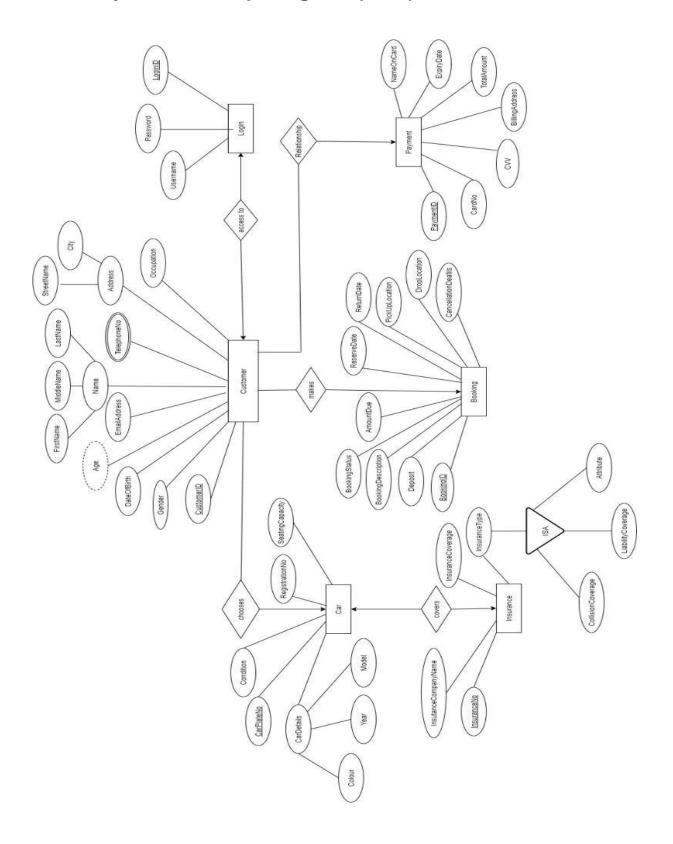
1. Description of business problem:

The car rental business was never a piece of cake. Keeping track of all information being processed on physical paper on a daily basis is a very laborious task. Evidently, most car rentals would find it very difficult to handle. Manual booking management is very tedious and cumbersome and not to forget the high likelihood of human errors. Simply put, quite a workload is involved. Additionally, to be able to keep one's clientele and possibly get referred more to other potential customers, a simple, user friendly and hassle-free booking experience is a must. Lastly, there is always the challenge of facing new competitors. Considerable amounts of newer companies are entering into the market with new and fresh ideas. Hence, it is the duty of a business to adapt to change and get onboard with the current trends in order to mitigate the gap between itself and the competitors.

2. Description of proposed solution:

The answer is none other than a car rental management software. The system is an online-based platform designed to manage users who sign-up for free profiles, online bookings, billings and more. Managers can access customer profiles, rental history, and contact information using the platform's built-in customer relationship management system. Users can view reservations details such as vehicle type, price, location, pickup/return date, and current status (available/not available) using the user interface embedded in the system. Features include easy bookings, secure online-payment, realtime tracking, recommendations, user feedback and an FAQ section. If implemented, a seamless booking experience is provided, daily car rental activities are automated and user interest is promoted.

3. Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD):

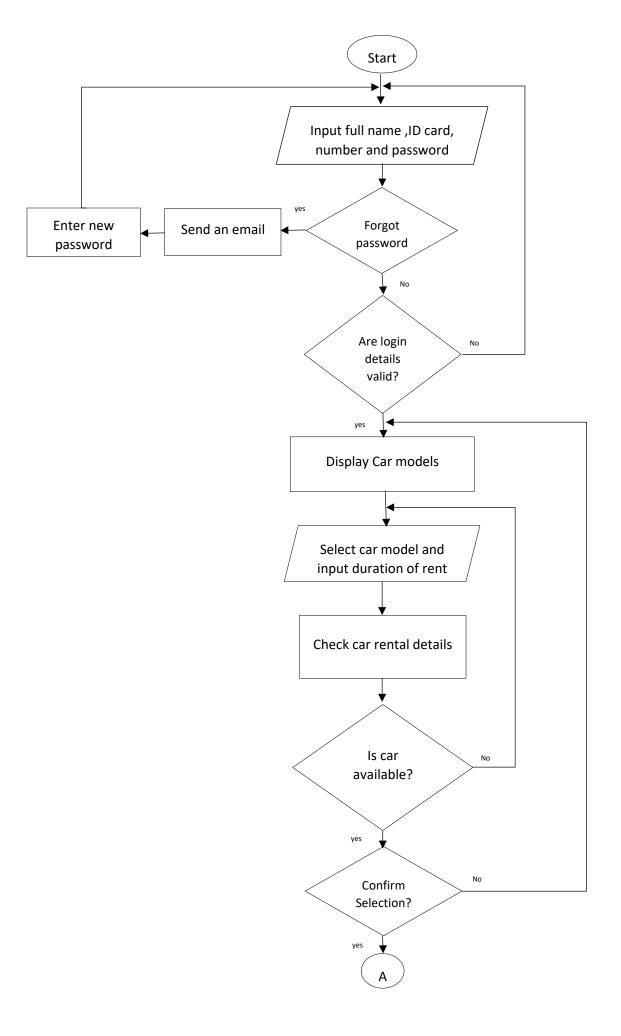


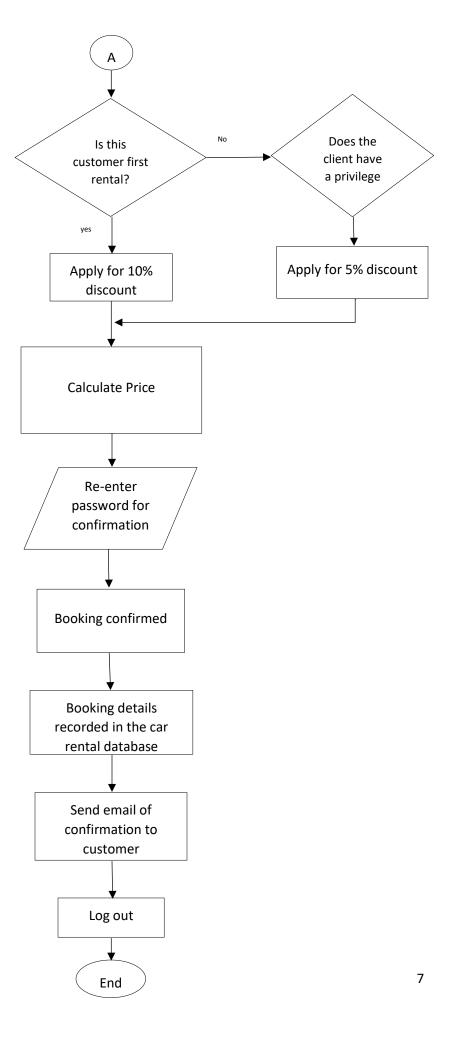
Assumptions:

- 1. Each car will have their own unique insurance assigned to them and vice versa.
- 2. If a customer rents a car, then no matter the length of time the car was rented for, it cannot be re-rented to another customer during the same day.
 - (A customer can rent many cars at once but a specific car cannot be rented by more than 1 customer during the same day)
- 3. A customer can carry out many bookings but each booking must be traced back to only a specific customer.
- 4. A customer can carry out many payments but each payment must be traced back to only a specific customer.
- 5. Each customer will have access to a unique login details and vice versa.

4. Flowchart:

The following flowchart will elaborate upon the single process of *Booking*.





5. Questionnaire:

Survey on online car booking:

Dear respondent,

In this modern world where technology is so advanced, online booking makes life a lot easier due to its faster access and where everything can be done within a few clicks such as customization, booking and even payment amongst many. The following survey is being conducted to know about your opinions relevant to an online car rental platform. Do spare a few minutes of your time to fill in the questionnaire accordingly. Thank you in advance.

1. W	/hich one do you prefer?
C	Traditional Car Booking (i.e. face to face interactions)
C	Online Car Booking
2. H	ave you ever conducted an online booking ? If yes, Please specify, how did
y	ou feel about the experience?
3. O	n what criteria(s) do you choose a car rental company ?
□R	Reservation procedure
□ C	Customer service
□ V	ehicle reliability
□P	Price
\Box \subset	Other:

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SD: Strongly Disagree					
D: Disagree					
N: Neutral					
A: Agree					
SA: Strongly Agree					
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