# System and Software Architecture Description (SSAD)

#### Amer I Can Re-Up Website

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#### 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose of the SSAD

The purpose of the System and Software Architecture Description (SSAD) is to document the architecture of the system being developed, which in this case is the Amer I Can Re-up Website. This document gives the feasible architecture of the system. It will help the developers to ensure that the system being developed is in synchronization with the decided architecture of the system. It will also be helpful to the clients and maintainers to understand the architecture of the system, once the system is delivered.

#### 1.2 Status of the SSAD

This is version 7.0 of the SSAD. All sections of the SSAD are complete at this point of time. The document includes the System Context, the artifacts and information created by the system, the various use-case scenarios that the system will go through, its behavior and its various capabilities, along with the exceptional course of action that the system might take under certain conditions. This version also includes NDI Interoperability Analysis, the deployment diagrams, which show the physical (hardware) and logical (software) deployment of the system. The SSAD concludes with the advantages and evaluation of the NDI selected for the project implementation.

# 2. System Analysis

# 2.1 System Analysis Overview

The primary purpose of the Amer I Can Re-up Website is to provide the members of the website the ability to enter the tasks and long term goals that they want to accomplish and also to enter the sacrifices they are willing to make in order to accomplish their tasks and long term goals. The website and other participating members who form a given member's 'squad' hold each other accountable to their submitted tasks and goals. A member can add a maximum of 25 members to his squad. The system also provides the user the functionality to upload his personal legend (a video blog) and theme song. The system will generate the statistics for each member depending on the grades assigned to him by the members in his squad. Those statistics include – will power, myG (grades), task totals and honor code. The system will also generate a report card on a quarterly basis, first quarter being January 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>, and so on. The contents of the report card will be myG, honor code, task totals, and will power. The report cards will be stored in the database so that the user can view them whenever he wants to.

## 2.1.1 System Context

The system context diagram shows the actors outside the system that interact with the system. Our project involves actors like anonymous user, member and squad member. The member of the website will interact with the website interface and the mobile app interface [future scope].

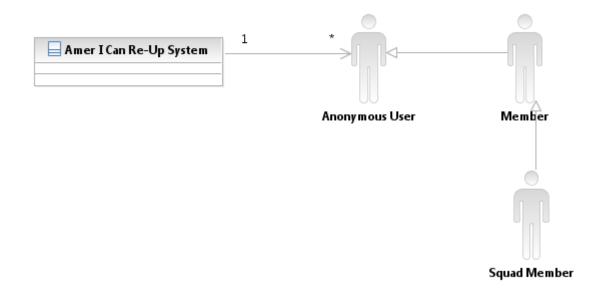


Figure 1: System Context Diagram

**Table 1: Actors Summary** 

Actor	Description	Responsibilities
Member	A member is a user of the	Add/update status
	website. The user will have to	
	register with the website to	Enter tasks in the ttBox (3<=task <=5)
	become a member.	
		Add sacrifices for each task that has
		been entered in the ttBox.
		Upload personal legend, theme song.
		View report card
		Search other members; add a member
		to his/her squad
Squad Member	A type of member of the	A squad member along with performing
	website who grades other	all the functions that a member can
	members of the squad he is a	perform, also grades other members in
	part of.	his squad.
Anonymous User	Any person who can visit the	An anonymous user can only watch the
	website, and watch the	tutorial video and can register (sign up)
	tutorial video and register to	to become a member of the website.
	become a member.	

#### 2.1.2 Artifacts & Information

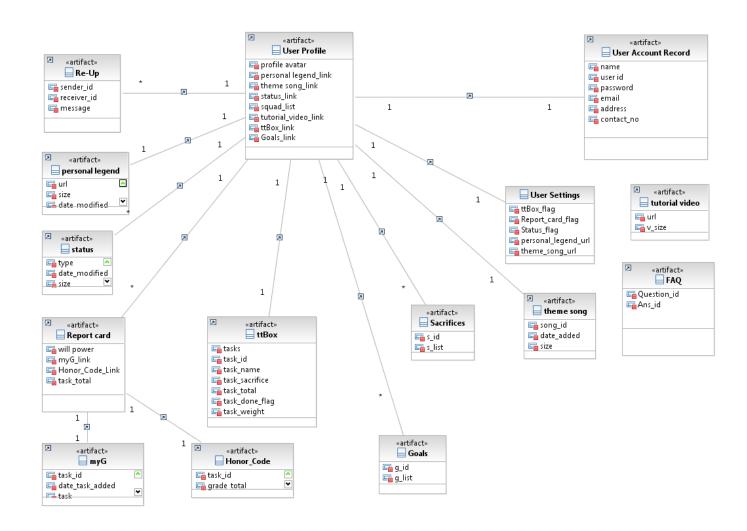
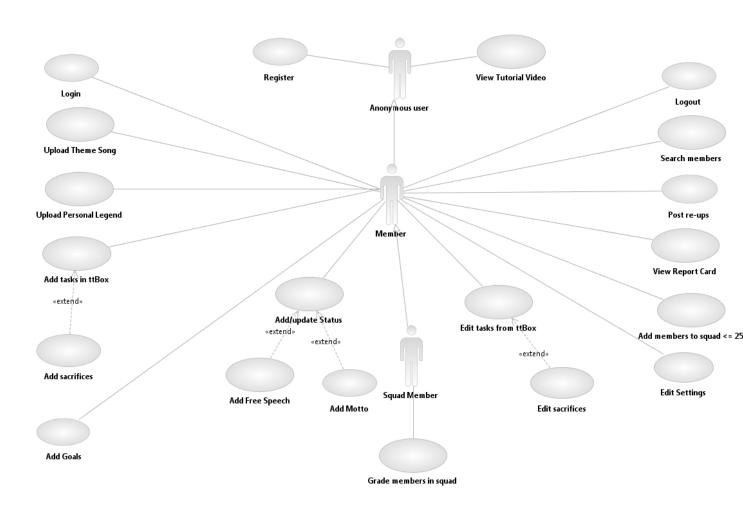


Figure 2: Artifacts and Information Diagram

**Table 2: Artifacts and Information Summary** 

Artifact	Purpose
User profile	Contains the user's profile page information like his personal
	legend video, theme song, ttBox, statistics, etc.
User account Record	Database contains information about the user's details
ttBox	Contains all the tasks entered by the user. It is a flex
	component, which is plugged in to Drupal. A user can enter up
	to 5 tasks in the ttBox.
Sacrifices	Contains the sacrifices entered by the user; the user can enter a
	maximum of 5 sacrifices.
Goals	Contains the goals entered by the user; the user can enter 1
	major and 3 minor goals.
FAQ	Contain a list of commonly asked questions regarding the
	website.
Report Card	A quarterly artifact generated by the system that contains the
	user's statistics like myG, will power, honor code and task
	totals.
Status	It is an artifact that will be displayed on the member's profile
	page, and the member can either quote it himself (free
	speech), or motto.
Re-Up	Contains information that a user can post in his squad like job
	postings, internships, etc.
Tutorial Video	Contains a video that shows first time users the purpose of the
	website and how to go about using the website.
Honor Code	Contains the data about the user's grades that have been given
	to him by the members of his squad.
myG	Contains the grades of the member as given by the system.
Theme song	Contains a song that will be played when all the tasks in the
	ttBox are complete.
Personal Legend	Contains a video that the user can choose to upload, which
	will be available on the profile page of the member.

# 2.1.3 Behavior



UC-1

Figure 3: Process Diagram

# 2.1.3.1 Login

#### 2.1.3.1.1 Authenticate and redirect

**Table 3: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1: Login	
Purpose	Determine if a registered user can log in successfully into the system, and is authorized to use all the functions that he/she is eligible for.	
Requirements	WC_154 Details provided by the user in the new user form.	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	If the user is authenticated, he/she will be logged in and a session	
	will be created.	

**Table 4: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User enters login name and	
	password	
2	User clicks on Login Button	The user is authenticated by the system.
		The user is taken to his/her profile page.

**Table 5: Alternate Course of Action** 

#### Unsuccessful Login:

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1-2	Same as Table 4: Typical Course	
	of Action	
3		A window pops up stating "Invalid
		Username and/or password"
4	Click on OK button	The user is redirected by the system to
		the main page of the website.

# 2.1.3.2 Register

#### 2.1.3.2.1 Authenticate and redirect

**Table 6: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1: Register	
Purpose	Register a new user to become a member of the website	
Requirements	WC_154 Details provided by the new user in the registration form	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	If the user is registered to become a member, the user's profile	
	details will be stored into the database. The user will be logged in	
	and a session will be created.	

**Table 7: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User enters data in the	
	registration form.	
2	User clicks on 'Sign Up' Button	The data entered is validated by the
		system.
3		The user's data is successfully added to
		the database.
4		The user is logged in, taken to his
		profile page, and a session is created.

**Table 8: Alternate Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User enters some invalid data in	
	the registration form.	
2	User clicks on 'Sign Up' Button	The data entered is checked by the
		system.
3		Wrong information entered by the user
		is displayed in a prompt window.
4		The user is taken back to the
		registration page to re-enter correct
		information.

#### 2.1.3.3 Add tasks to the ttBox

**Table 9: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Add tasks to ttBox
Purpose	Enable a member of the website to add tasks that he wishes to
	accomplish into the ttBox.
Requirements	WC_151 Provide the user capability to add tasks to the ttBox
Development	
Risks	
<b>Pre-conditions</b> Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The tasks will be added to the database table – ttbox

**Table 10: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User enters upto 5 tasks	The entered tasks will be displayed in
		the ttBox and the user will be prompted
		to enter sacrifices.

**Table 11: Alternate Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	The user may choose to edit or	
	alter an already existing task	
2		Same as for typical course of action.

## 2.1.3.4 Upload Personal Legend

**Table 12: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1: Register	
Purpose	Enables a member to upload his personal legend which is a video	
	that the user wishes to display on his/her profile page.	
Requirements	WC_152 Upload personal legend on profile page.	
Development		

Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The personal legend will be stored on the cloud. The link for the	
	video will be stored in the database. The user himself and other	
	members will be able to view the video. Any user can view any	
	other user's personal legend video.	

**Table 13: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User clicks on 'Upload Personal	The system will ask the user to input
	Legend'	the URL of the location of the video.
		Once the URL is given, the system will
		check whether the syntax entered is that
		of an URL or not.
		The system will update the path in the
		database.

**Table 14: Alternate Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User clicks on 'Upload Personal	The system will ask the user to input
	Legend'	the URL of the location of the video.
		If not, the user will be prompted to
		enter a valid URL, and will be taken
		back to the upload personal legend tab.

# 2.1.3.5 Upload Status Message

**Table 15: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Upload Status Message	
Purpose	Enable a member of the website to upload auto motto or free	
	speech, which are types of status messages	
Requirements	WC_158 Upload Status – Motto/Free Speech	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The status message will be added to the database. The member's	
	status message will be visible to his squad in the news feed.	

**Table 16: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User clicks on 'Add/edit status'	The system will give the user an option
		to enter his own status message – which
		is of two types – motto or free speech.
		The corresponding status message will
		be displayed on the user's profile page,
		visible to his squad.

**Table 17: Alternate Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	The user may choose to remove	The system will remove the
	his status message from his	corresponding status message from the
	profile.	user's profile.
		The status message will no longer be
		displayed on the user's wall.

## 2.1.3.6 Upload Theme Song

**Table 18: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Upload Theme Song	
Purpose	Enables the user to upload a theme song that will be played when	
	the user completes all his tasks.	
Requirements	WC_471 Upload a theme song which plays when all tasks are	
	complete.	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The theme song will be stored on the cloud. The link to the theme	
	song on the cloud will be stored in the database.	

**Table 19: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User clicks on 'Upload Theme	The system will prompt the user to
	song'	enter the theme song.

## 2.1.3.7 Add up to 25 members in your squad

**Table 20: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Add up to 25 members in your squad	
Purpose	Enables a member of the website to add up to 25 members in	
	his/her squad.	
Requirements	WC_148 Users have the capability to add a maximum of 25	
	members to their squad.	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The database will be updated to reflect the additions that a	
	member has made to his squad. The number of members and	
	pointers to their profile will be stored in the user's table in the	
	database.	

**Table 21: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User adds a member to his squad	The system will check in the database
		whether the number of members in the
		squad is less than 25.
2		If yes, the system will add that
		corresponding detail to the database.
3		The system will display a message to
		the user stating "Member successfully
		added to your squad"

User tries to add 26<sup>th</sup> member to his squad:

**Table 22: Exceptional Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User tries to add 26 <sup>th</sup> member to	The system will display a message to
	his squad, which exceeds the	the user "Maximum number of
	maximum number 25.	members reached. Please delete some
		member from your squad to add a new
		member"

# 2.1.3.8 Post Re-Ups to member/s:

**Table 23: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1: Post Re-Ups	
Purpose	Enables a member of the website to post re-ups to a particular	
	member's profile. The user can post the re-up to one or more	
	members.	
Requirements	WC_161 A user can post re-ups to a squad, or keep public.	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The Re-Up	

**Table 24: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User will post a particular re-up	That re-up will appear on either the
	to one or more members.	squad member's profile or can be made
		public.

#### 2.1.3.9 Set sacrifices

**Table 25: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Set sacrifices		
Purpose	Enables a member of the website to add sacrifices for the tasks		
	that he has entered in the ttBox.		
Requirements	WC_1103 A user can add up to 5 sacrifices.		
Development			
Risks			
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.		
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The database will be updated to reflect the sacrifices that the user		
	has given.		

**Table 26: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User adds one/more sacrifices	The system will add the sacrifices to the

	for the tasks entered in the ttBox	database for the corresponding task.
2		The system will display the sacrifices
		for a task, when the user's cursor
		hovers over the task.

#### 2.1.3.10 Set Goals

**Table 27: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Set Goals	
Purpose	Enables a member to set goals (1 major, 3 minor)	
Requirements	WC_1102 A member can set goals.	
Development		
Risks	ks	
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The system will store the goals in the database.	

**Table 28: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User adds goals to his profile.	The system will add the goals to the
		database.
2		The system will display the goals on the
		member's profile page.

#### 2.1.3.11 Search a member

**Table 29: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1 : Search a member	
Purpose	Enables a member to search other members of the website	
Requirements	WC_149 Query based searching of other members of the website.	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The system will search the database and return the corresponding	

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**Table 30: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User types a name in the search	The system will search for the
	box	corresponding name in the database.
2		The system will return the member's
		profile as a result of the query.

**Table 31: Exceptional Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User types a name in the search	The system will search in the database
	box	to find the corresponding member.
		If such a member does not exist, the
		system returns "Member not found"
		message in result of the query.

# 2.1.3.12 View Report Card

**Table 32: Process Description** 

Identifier	UC-1: View Report Card	
Purpose	Enables a member to view his quarterly report card	
Requirements	WC_743 Report card - quarterly	
Development		
Risks		
<b>Pre-conditions</b>	Proper initialization of the database, servers.	
<b>Post-conditions</b>	The system will retrieve the corresponding user's report from the	
	database.	

**Table 33: Typical Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User clicks on 'view report card'	The system will search in the

	corresponding user's record.	
2	The system will display the repo	
		to the user on his profile.

**Table 34: Exceptional Course of Action** 

Seq#	Actor's Action	System's Response
1	User clicks on 'view report',	The system will search in the database
	when he has not completed even	to find the corresponding report card.
	the first quarter.	
		The system will display a message to
		the user saying that "Report card not
		complete"

# 3. NDI/NCS Interoperability Analysis

#### 3.1 Introduction

The website is going to be developed using Drupal, which is a content management system, as a framework. Drupal is an open source, easy to use framework that is especially advantageous for developing social reality/networking websites, like the Amer I Can Re-Up Website.

## 3.1.1 COTS / GOTS / ROTS / Open Source / NCS

Based on the various advantages offered by Drupal like development flexibility, ease of use, we plan to use Drupal as our NDI. It is advantageous to use Drupal for development of social networking/reality websites.

**NDI/NCS Products Purposes** Acquia Drupal Dev Desktop 7.4.4 Drupal is an open source Content Management System, that will be used an infrastructure framework for the development of our website. It is a Drupal specific xAMP stack installer, which means Apache Server, MySQL, PHP. It consists of Acquia Drupal, Apache HTTP Server, MySQL Database Server, PHP, phpMyAdmin, Control Panel, Xmail Server.

**Table 35: NDI Products Listing** 

#### 3.1.2 Connectors

The system is using PHP to connect to the MySQL Database.

The PHP connectors will manage the data transfer between various modules and the MYSQL database.

# 3.1.3 Legacy System

The Amer I Can Re-Up System is a completely new concept and the clients do not have an existing system in place. So we are not using any legacy system code for development.

# 3.2 System Structure

The system will be deployed on a hardware server hosting Linux CentOS. The software components like PHP, MySQL and Apache Web Server will run on Drupal that will be deployed on the server.

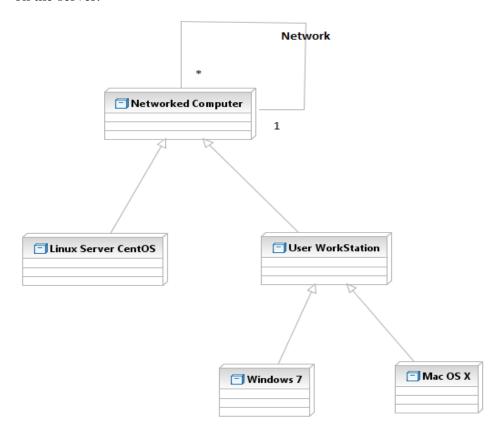


Figure 4: Hardware Component Diagram

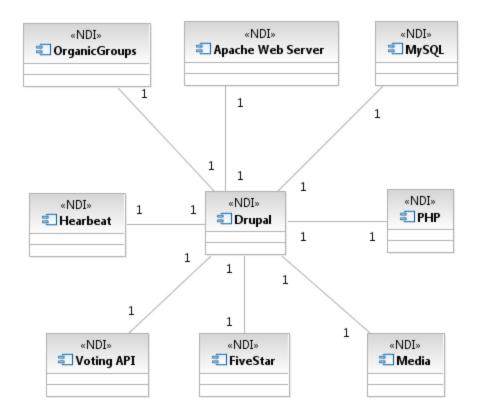
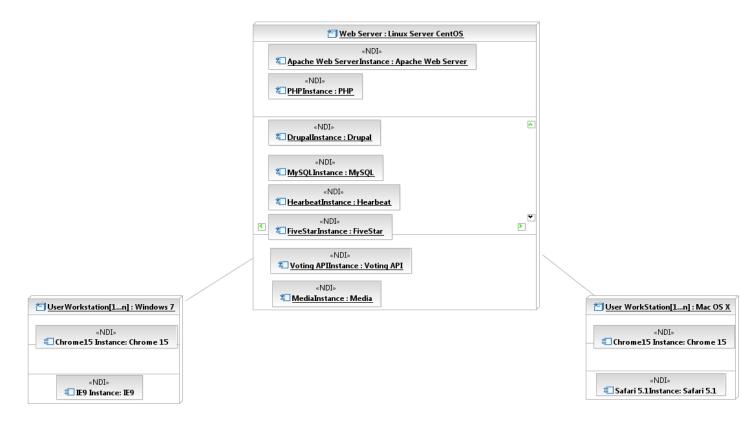


Figure 5: Software Component Diagram



**Figure 6: Deployment Diagram** 

# 3.3 Evaluation Summary

**Table 36: NDI Evaluation** 

NDI	Usages	Comments
Acquia Drupal Dev Desktop 7.4.4	Drupal, is a powerful content management system, that is used for developing websites:  • that generally have high traffic, • need to be modified frequently.	Thus, due to the advantages offered by Drupal, we have chosen this CMS as a framework for the development of our website.  Drupal can handle increasing traffic, which is usually the case with social reality websites.
	Drupal provides a lot of modules that can just be plugged in to suit your application needs, and if such a module does not exist, it is easy to develop your own module.	Flexibility, scalability and a fair amount of security are the factors that make Drupal a choice for our project.