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ITMD 411

Final Project

Trouble Ticket System

This project is to create a program that creates tickets for users with different priorities and managing all the tickets. For the project we used GUI, Jframes, Jpanels, and other options, this program is also connected to the data base live so that data can be entered to the database and the same data can be retrieved. For the data transfer to the database we used prepared statements because that way the data would not interfere with the code and the other way around Prepared statements also help eliminate SQL injection, but we only started using them after research so they are not applicated everywhere.

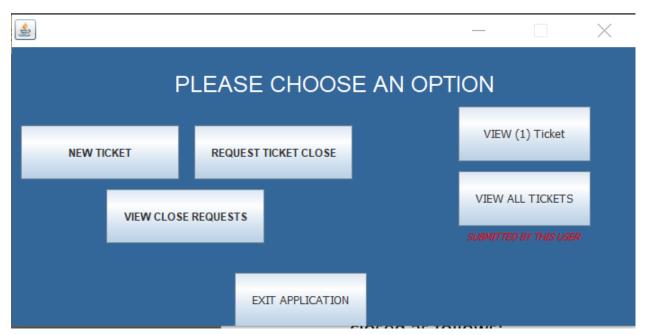
We focused a whole lot on user experience and ease of use for both administrators and user groups hence our GUI design. It is set to be simple and everything is laid out in button format.

We also have data management on the backend including an auto backup every time the program is exited from the admin panel since that's the only panel changes can be made from to tickets. This is also forced on the backend through programming as the admin (user) cannot simply hit the "X" button to close the interface as they must use exit application.

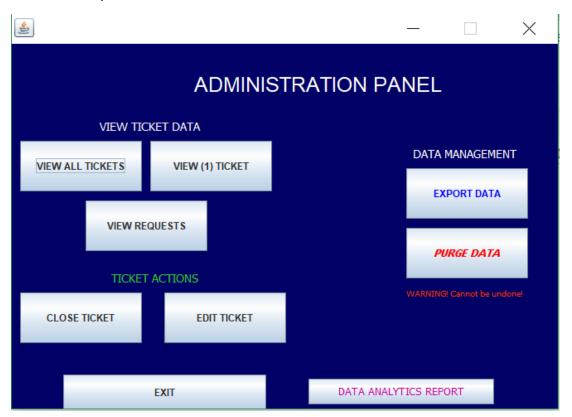


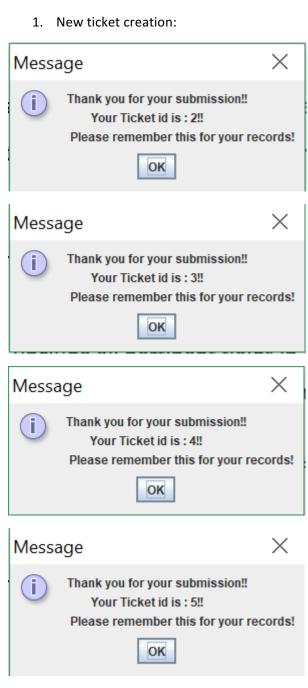
Screen shots:

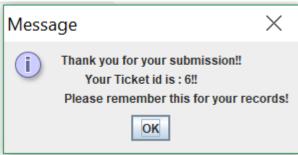
View of user panel:



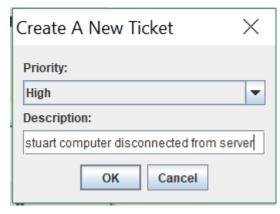
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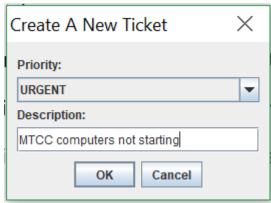


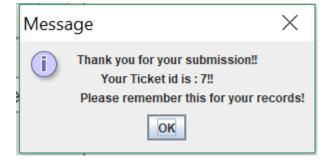




Window for ticket options and description

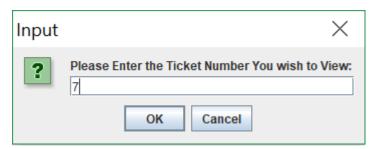




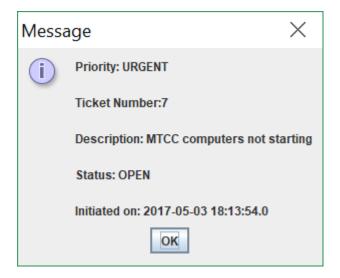


1. Viewing single ticket window:

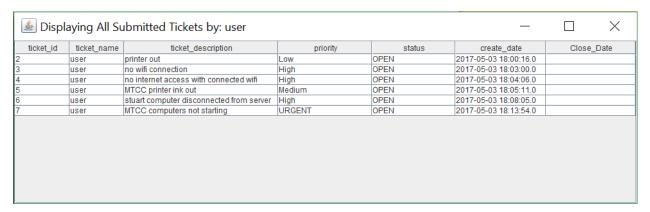
User input



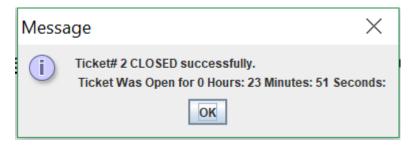
Output



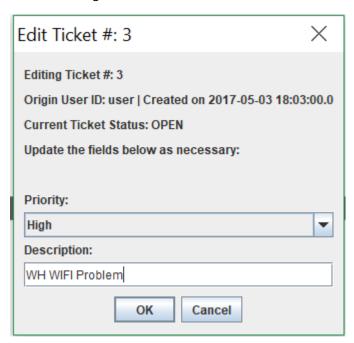
2. View of all tickets in user mode:



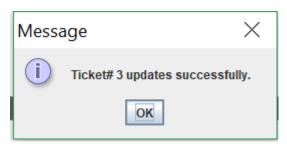
3. Conformation of ticket closing with the duration it was open:



4. Editing a ticket:



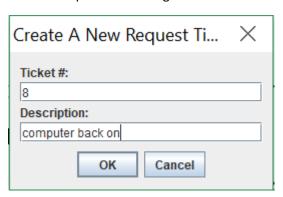
4. Editing successful dialogue box:



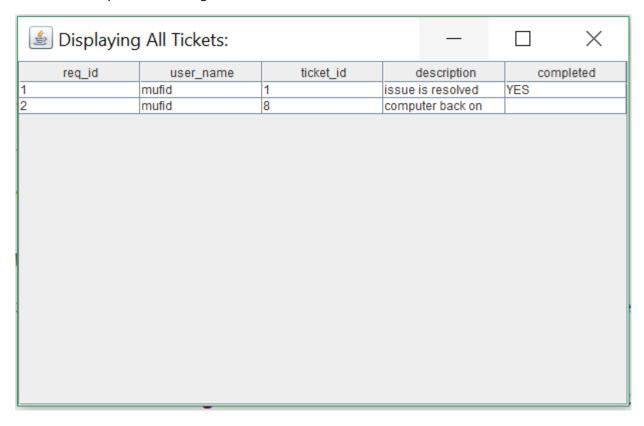
5. Request for closing a ticket:



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A view of all requests for closing a ticket



6. A view of all tickets in admin mode:

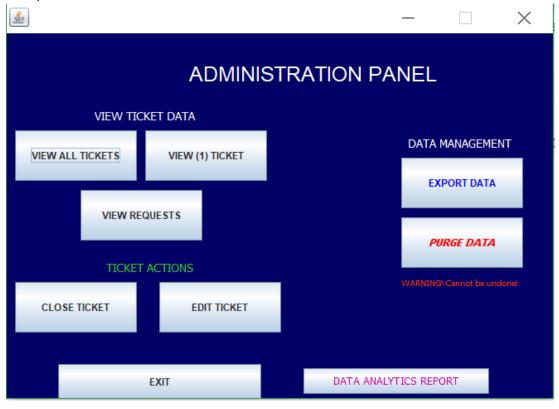
🕯 Displaying All Tickets:								X
ticket_id	ticket_name	ticket_description	priority	status	create_date		Close_Date	
1	mufid	fdsaf	Low	CLOSED	2017-05-03 17:38:50.0	2017-05-0	3 17:44:48.0	
2	user	printer out	Low	CLOSED	2017-05-03 18:00:16.0	2017-05-0	3 18:24:07.0	
3	user	WH WIFI Problem	High	OPEN	2017-05-03 18:03:00.0			
4	user	no internet access with connected wifi	High	OPEN	2017-05-03 18:04:06.0			
5	user	MTCC printer ink out	Medium	OPEN	2017-05-03 18:05:11.0			
6	user	stuart computer disconnected from server	High	OPEN	2017-05-03 18:08:05.0			
7	user	MTCC computers not starting	URGENT	OPEN	2017-05-03 18:13:54.0			
8	mufid	something wrong in the computer	Medium	OPEN	2017-05-03 18:30:25.0			
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7. Data analysis report:

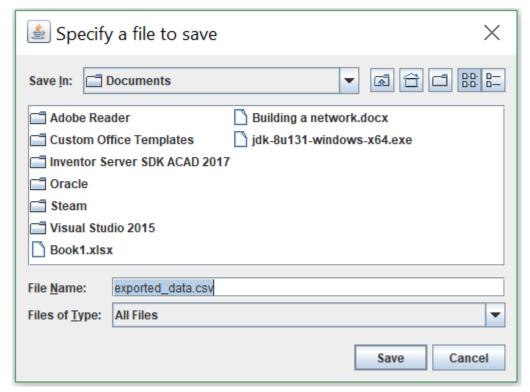
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[OPEN] TICKETS REPORT -----
Ticket ID: Submitted by:
                                      Description:
                                                                      Duration of Ticket
                                      WH WIFI Problem
                                                                   0 Hours: 33 Minutes: 39 Seconds:
3
               user
                                      no internet access with connected wifi 0 Hours: 32 Minutes: 33 Seconds:
4
               user
5
               user
                                      MTCC printer ink out
                                                                    0 Hours: 31 Minutes: 28 Seconds:
6
                                      stuart computer disconnected from server 0 Hours: 28 Minutes: 34 Seconds:
               user
                                      MTCC computers not starting
                                                                  0 Hours: 22 Minutes: 45 Seconds:
7
               user
8
               mufid
                                      something wrong in the computer 0 Hours: 6 Minutes: 14 Seconds:
 ----- Summary Report -----
Total # of Tickets: 8
# of OPEN tickets: | # Of Closed Tickets:
 ----- [OPEN] URGENT / HIGH PRIORITY TICKETS -----
Ticket ID: Submitted by:
                                      Description:
                                      WH WIFI Problem
               user
4
                                     no internet access with connected wifi
               user
6
                                      stuart computer disconnected from server
               user
7
               user
                                      MTCC computers not starting
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EXTRA CREDIT:

- We have added an extra feature that lets you back up the data. In the admin panel we have a button for export data:



- The exported data is in .csv format. For this option, we used a JFileChooser to select the location for the .csv file.

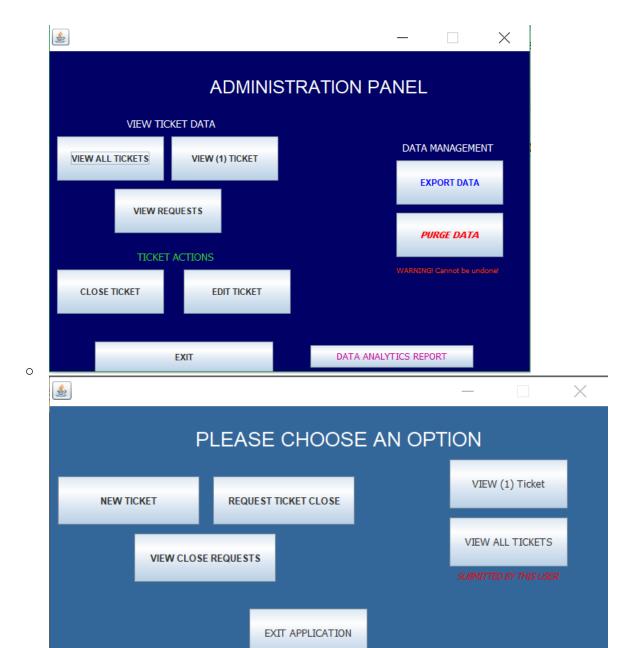


• This is the dialogue box that opens up when export data is clicked.

We also focused on making the UI for the user / admin very fluid and user friendly and focused everything on easy to use large buttons. These buttons are for simple 1 operation and are not confusing for the user.



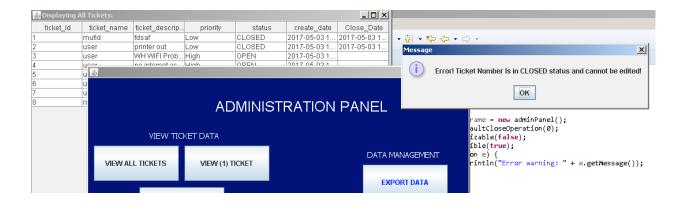
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- We decided not to use menu bar styles because it is easier for the user to see all options laid out with simple click operations
- For security, we also coded to only allow user groups to view tickets submitted by them... whether you use to view (1) ticket option or view all tickets in the user panel.

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- Additionally, after a ticket is closed, we have an if-statement checker to prevent any further edits to the ticket
 - This is more of a logical thing because it wouldn't make sense for a ticket to be edited once closed



- We also added an auto DB backup to a CSV file whenever the exit button is hit from the administration panel. This allows changes to be tracked in a sense and reverse data when needed.
 - o It is set to an auto save path with auto file creation based on date/time stamp!!!

