

# Team 1

## Hug the Rails IoT Project

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## Section 1: Introduction

### 1.1 Problem Statement

Current train systems require wifi connection to receive information about weather conditions; however, with the loss of internet and cellular connection it is difficult for operators or train systems to receive data and adjust accordingly. By using sensors that allow us to access data on precipitation and wind speed, we will be able to monitor and adjust the speed at which trains travel without having access to wifi. This will allow passengers to arrive at their destination in a safer manner and will also be more cost effective as monitoring and adjusting speeds locally in hazardous conditions will lead to fewer maintenance issues within the trains themselves.

### 1.2 Stakeholders and Users

The stakeholders for this project will be the NJ Transit Corporation, who have asked us to add IoT devices and software to their trains to account for inclement weather or other safety hazards. In addition to the NJ Transit Corporation, Reza Peyrovian and Leah Mitelberg are two high priority stakeholders. This will make the job of the user, or the locomotive operator, easier; they will have our software, run by inputs of the sensor data, changing the operation of the train automatically for the train to run in the most efficient and safe way possible, while still being able to enter commands and receive the status.

### 1.3 Importance and Values

Without any manual intervention, data and tasks will be transmitted and executed. Since IoT reduces human effort, more time will be saved, costs will be reduced and safety will be improved. As a result, increasing opportunities to analyze data in real-time and to further improve operations. For example, IoT significantly improved farmer lives through smart farming. Farmers use IoT enabled tools to monitor soil composition, soil moisture levels, and livestock activity. The tools collect data that can be analyzed to determine the best time to harvest plants.

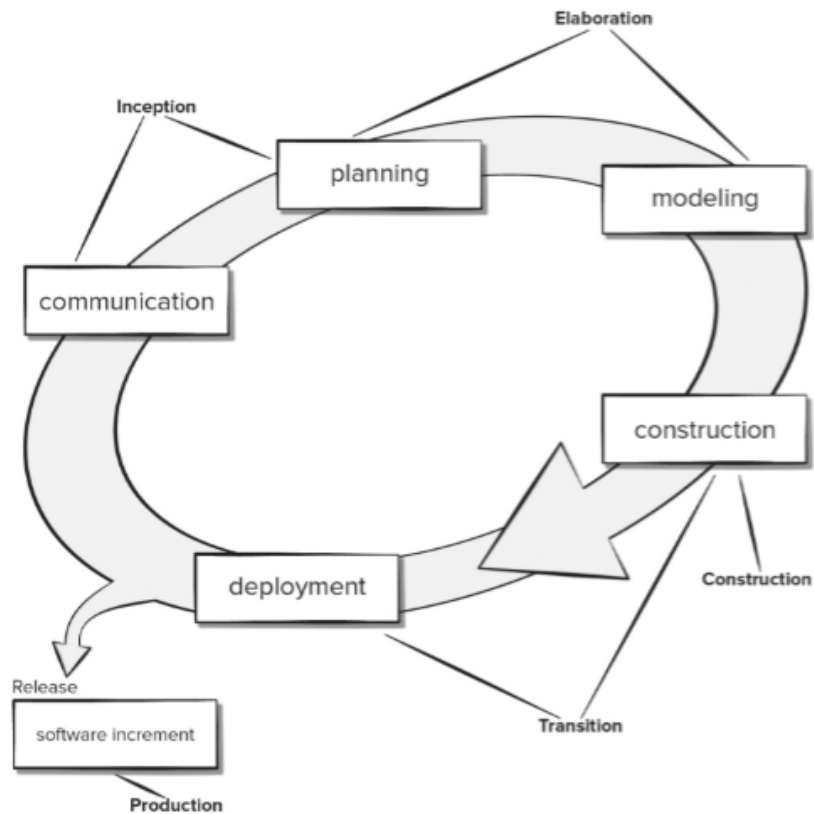
### 1.4 Expected Delivery

We began this project on February 9th, and hope to have a complete and functional product which will be ready for deployment by May 1st.

### 1.5 Approach

Throughout this project, we will be implementing the unified process model. This will allow us to have a large amount of quality documentation for the duration of the project. The quality documentation will ensure that the group has enough information so that the actual construction process will be well defined and easy to follow. Also, as the group gets feedback from Professor Peyrovian and Leah, the requirements will be flexible

enough to change or modify based on their requests. The unified process model accommodates requirements changes very well, which is another good reason that the group decided to choose this model.



The chart above outlines the flow of the unified process model. The start date for the group was 2/9, when the group began communicating. The planning phase extends through 3/4, where the group defined the problem and requirements for the solution. The modeling phase will last from then until 4/5, and construction will follow until the deployment date of 5/1.

## Section 2: Overview

### 2.1 Define IoT

IoT or Internet of things refers to a system of interconnected, interrelated objects that collect and transfer data over a wireless network without any human intervention. In other words, IoT is an extension of the internet and other networks using sensors and devices. There are several components that come into play regarding IoT: sensors, connection and identification, actuators, IoT gateway, the cloud, and user interface. Sensors are able to measure observable changes in the environment. The type of data collected is primarily dependent on its function. In regards to connection and identification, data must be communicated from the device to the entire IoT system which is accomplished using its IP address. IoT devices should be able to take action based on data collected from sensors and the feedback received from the network. In addition, the IoT gateway acts as a bridge for different devices' data to reach the cloud. Once the cloud has received the data, software can easily reach this data for processing. This is beneficial in the long run as individual devices do not have to reach the cloud separately (less burden). Lastly, user interface allows users to make necessary changes executed by these devices, which adds quality to the overall user experience since there are several types of communication demonstrated (Device-to Device, Device-to-Cloud, Device-to-Gateway, and Back-End-Data-Sharing).

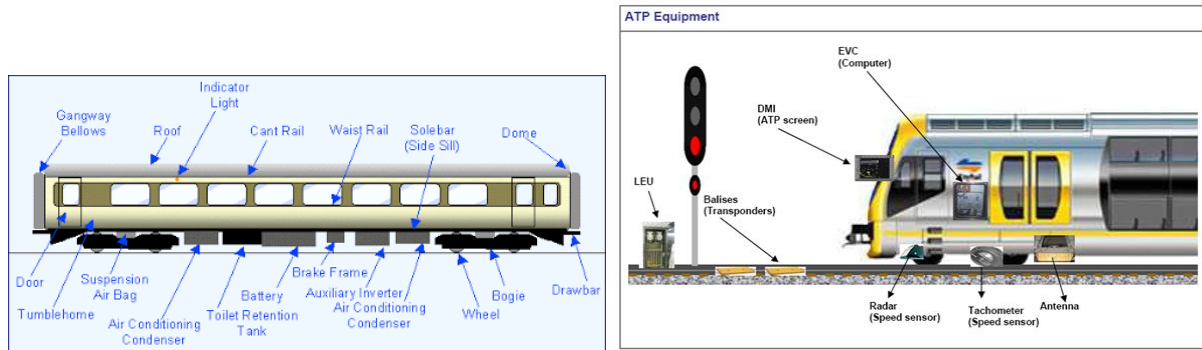
### 2.2 Define the Problem

The operation of a train is often dependent on wifi network availability to receive data about environmental, travel, and traffic conditions. Based on those data, the train operator makes decisions about how the train operates. The purpose of this project is to use IoT to make those decisions locally, without being dependent on wifi network availability. This is important because if the train gets disconnected or the network fails, the train is able to continue operating safely.

### 2.3 Explain how IoT can Solve the Problem

The Internet of Things will help us solve the problem by allowing us to use two different types of sensors. The first type of sensor will allow us to detect how much precipitation is occurring in the area where the trains will be traveling. Based on the information received, the train will slow down (if there is a lot of rain) or maintain normal speed (if there is little to no rain). Similarly, the second type of sensor will allow us to monitor wind speeds in the path of the train. Just like the precipitation sensors, the wind sensors will either maintain the train's current speed (if the wind speed is negligible to low) or slow down the train (in the case where wind speeds could make traveling dangerous). By adjusting the train's speed in hazardous conditions, we hope to achieve a safer method of transportation for customers.

## 2.4 Overview of Architecture and Components



### Components:

- Rain Gauge: Detect amount of rainfall in a given area
  - Hydreon Rain Gauge Model RG-15
- Anemometer: Detect wind speed in a given area
  - Kestrel 1000 Wind Meter
- Sensor to Detect Wheel Slippage
  - Honeywell TARS-IMU Sensors for Wheel Slippage Detection
- Radar Sensor: Detect standing objects on the path with distance; detect a moving object ahead and behind and their speed
  - Infineon's XENSIV™ 60GHz Radar Sensors
- Separate Display System: Display output and notifications from IoT Engine
  - Advantech 10.4" SVGA / XGA Industrial Panel Mount Monitor
- Camera Sensor: Detect gate crossing open or closed
  - ITS-608 RAIL, 8.6° FOV

### Architecture:

- Information from precipitation and wind speed sensors are run through IoT engine
- Metrics are displayed on a separate display system
- IoT engine alerts the operator if changes need to be made

## Section 3: Requirements

### 3.1 Non-Functional Requirements

#### 3.1.1 Reliability Requirements

R-1: Due to the nature of the data being collected by the sensors, the IoT HTR sensors must be able to handle inclement weather. This includes operation in temperatures ranging from -10°F to 150°F as well as all types of precipitation and wind speed.

R-2: IoT HTR components shall be able to withstand drops of up to 5 feet.

R-3: IoT HTR sensors shall be powered by the onboard train batteries; this will allow less maintenance of the individual sensors due to power-failure, as their power-source will be directly connected to the train.

R-4: IoT HTR system shall have reliability of 0.999. This will ensure safety of passengers and operators.

#### 3.1.2 Performance Requirements

R-5: The IoT Engine shall have a response time of 0.5 seconds or less, assuming it has been turned on. This will ensure the operator will have enough time to react to the sensor readings.

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R-6: The IoT Engine shall be able to support up to 1000 sensors, this will allow sensors to be placed on all relevant parts of the train to detect changes in wind speed and rainfall that may affect the train journey.

#### 3.1.3 Security Requirements

R-7: Any tampering with the hardware of the sensors shall activate security measures to suspend the IoT engine. The data collected affects the alerts and recommended travel speed of the trains, so any tampering that could make the trains travel too fast in hazardous conditions and could have devastating consequences.

R-8: The conductors shall use a User ID and Password to access the data collected by the sensors. This will also prevent any people who should not have access from retrieving the data.



R-9 : Technician and operator log ins shall be recorded in a read-only file for security tracking purposes.

#### 3.1.4 Operating System Requirements

R-10: 5 TB of data shall be used for storage of data while the trains are traveling. Once trains reach a station, they will have the opportunity to upload their data to a server, freeing the allotted 5 TB for their next trip.

R-11: Windows IoT shall be used as the IoT operating system for HTR

### 3.2 Functional Requirements

#### 3.2.1 Detect the Wind Speed

R-12: The wind speed sensor shall detect the wind speed in miles per hour in the area in which the train is operating.

R-13: If the speed of the wind reached a potentially hazardous level (55+ mph), the operator shall receive a notification on the IoT interface with a recommendation to slow the train down to a specified safer speed based on the particular wind speed detected.

#### 3.2.2 Detect the Amount of Precipitation

R-14: The precipitation sensor shall detect the amount of precipitation in inches that is in the area in which the train is operating.

R-15: If the amount of precipitation reaches a potentially hazardous level (0.3+ inches), the operator shall receive a notification on the IoT Interface with a recommendation to slow the train down to a specified safer speed based on the particular amount of rain.

#### 3.2.3 Detect standing objects on the path with distance and suggest speed changes or brake

R-16: The radar sensor shall detect whether there is a stationary object in the path of the train and how far away it is

R-17: The reading from the radar sensor shall be passed to the IoT Engine.

R-18: If the distance between the train and the object is less than 10,000 feet the operator shall be notified, via the interface, of the object's distance and if the object that was detected requires a speed change for the train or for the brakes to be applied.

#### 3.2.4 Detect a moving object ahead and behind and their speed, direction of move and suggest speed changes or brake

R-19: The radar sensor shall detect any other objects on the rails, and calculate the distance and speed of said object.

R-20: The distance reading from the radar sensor shall be passed to the IoT Engine.

R-21: If the distance between the train and the object is less than 10,000 feet the operator shall be notified, via the interface, of the object's distance and if the object that was detected requires a speed change for the train or for the brakes to be applied.

#### 3.2.5 Detect gate crossing open or closed, distance and speed (based on GPS), suggest speed changes or brake

R-22: The camera sensor shall be used to detect if the gate is open or closed, whether the red lights are flashing, the distance the train is away from the gate, and the speed.

R-23: The information from the sensor shall be passed to the IoT Engine which will analyze the data.

R-24: If the gate is not down, the interface shall notify the operator that the gate is open.

#### 3.2.6 Detect wheel slippage, and its amount using GPS data and the wheel RPM, suggest speed changes, if any, or brake

R-24: The sensor to detect wheel slippage shall be used to detect the amount of slippage occurring in the wheels, the wheels RPM, and based on this data the conductor will be informed of any speed changes that should be made or if the conductor should brake.

R-25: The sensor shall pass the RPM and wheel circumference to the IoT Engine which shall convert and analyze the data and use the GPS location and train speed to determine wheel slippage.

R-26: If the difference between the projected speed and calculated wheel speed is between 20-50 RPM, the IoT Engine shall inform the operator of wheel slippage using the IoT interface and display a caution message in orange.

R-27: If the difference between the projected speed and calculated wheel speed is greater than 50, the IoT Engine shall inform the operator of wheel slippage using the IoT interface and display an extreme caution message and the speed that should not be exceeded in red.

### 3.2.7 Sensors will store their readings in a local log

R-28: Every reading taken by the sensors shall be stored in a local log.

R-29: The size of the local log shall be 5TB.

R-30: The local log shall be uploaded to the cloud when wifi connection is available, then cleared from the local database.

R-31: The log shall only be accessible with valid login information.

## Section 4: Requirements Modeling

### 4.1 Use Cases

**Use Case:** Activation of IoT Engine, Sensors, and IoT Display

**Use Case No. : 4.1.1**

**Primary Actor:** Train

**Secondary Actor:** IoT Engine, Sensors, IoT Display

**Goal:** Ensure that IoT engine and sensors are working properly

**Preconditions:**

**Trigger:** Train turns on

**Scenario:**

1. Train turning on will make the IoT Engine and Sensors turn on
2. IoT Display will turn on and display the login page with the current Sensor data

**Exceptions:**

1. IoT Display fails to turn on
2. Sensors fails to connect to IoT Engine
3. IoT Engine fails to connect to IoT Display

**Use Case:** Username & Password Entry

**Use Case No. : 4.1.2**

**Primary Actor:** Operator

**Secondary Actor:** IoT Engine, IoT Display

**Goal:** Authenticate the operator's username and password

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Operator attempts to login through IoT Display

**Scenario:**

1. Operator enters username and password into IoT Display login page
2. IoT accepts username and password and continues to display homepage with sensor data

**Exceptions:**

1. Username or password is invalid and IoT Engine rejects the login attempt, then prompts Operator to try again.

**Use Case:** Rain Gauge Detection

**Use Case No. : 4.1.3**

**Primary Actor:** Rain Gauge

**Secondary Actor:** Train Operator, GPS, IoT Display, IoT Engine, Log File

**Goal:** Notify train operator on the IoT interface in the case of hazardous rain conditions

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Rain Gauge Sensor is running

**Scenario:**

1. Rain gauge sensor sends data to IoT Engine.
2. IoT displays “normal condition” if rain level is less than 0.3 inches.
3. IoT displays “hazardous condition” if rain level is greater than or equal to 0.3 inches and the train is moving.
  - a. IoT Engine displays a warning message on the IoT interface with recommended speed changes:
    - i. Reduce speed to half of current speed if  $0.3 \text{ inches} \leq \text{rain level} < 0.6 \text{ inches}$
    - ii. Reduce speed to  $\frac{1}{3}$  of current speed if  $\text{rain level} \geq 0.6 \text{ inches}$
  - b. Train Operator acknowledges the message on the interface by pressing “okay”.
  - c. Log File records operator response with timestamp.

**Exceptions:**

1. The IoT detects rain but fails to read the amount of rain. In this case, inform the operator of potential rain hazard.

**Use Case:** Anemometer Detection

**Use Case No. : 4.1.4**

**Primary Actor:** Anemometer

**Secondary Actor:** Train Operator, IoT Engine, IoT Display, Log File

**Goal:** Notify train operator on the IoT interface in the case of hazardous wind conditions

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Anemometer sensor is running

**Scenario:**

2. Anemometer sends data to IoT Engine.
3. IoT displays “normal condition” if wind level is less than 55mph.
4. IoT displays “hazardous condition” if wind level is greater than or equal to 55mph and the train is moving.
  - a. IoT Engine displays a warning message on the IoT interface with recommended speed changes:
    - i. Reduce speed to half of current speed if  $55\text{mph} \leq \text{wind speed} < 65\text{mph}$
    - ii. Reduce speed to  $\frac{1}{3}$  of current speed if  $\text{wind speed} \geq 65\text{mph}$
  - b. Train Operator acknowledges the message on the interface by pressing “okay”.
  - c. Log File records operator response with timestamp.

**Exceptions:**

1. The IoT detects wind but fails to read the windspeed. In this case, inform the operator of potential wind hazard.

**Use Case:** Wheel Slippage Sensor Detection

**Use Case No. :** 4.1.5

**Primary Actor:** Wheel Slippage Sensor

**Secondary Actor:** Train Operator, IoT Engine, IoT Display, Log File

**Goal:** Notify train operator on the IoT interface in the case of hazardous wheel slippage

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Wheel slippage sensor is running

**Scenario:**

1. Wheel Slippage Sensor sends data to IoT Engine.
2. IoT displays “normal condition” if wheel slippage is less than 20 RPM.
3. IoT displays “hazardous condition” if wheel slippage is greater than or equal to 20 RPM and the train is moving.
  - a. IoT Engine displays a warning message on the IoT interface with recommended speed changes:
    - i. Reduce speed to half of current speed if  $20\text{RPM} \leq \text{wheel slippage} < 50\text{RPM}$
    - ii. Reduce speed to  $\frac{1}{3}$  of current speed if  $\text{wheel slippage} \geq 50\text{RPM}$
  - b. Train Operator acknowledges the message on the interface by pressing “okay”.
  - c. Log File records operator response with timestamp.

**Exceptions:**

1. The IoT detects wheel slippage but fails to read how much. In this case, inform the operator of potential wheel slippage.

**Use Case:** Moving Object Detection

**Use Case No. :** 4.1.6

**Primary Actor:** Radar Sensor

**Secondary Actor:** Train Operator, IoT Engine, IoT Display, Log File

**Goal:** Notify train operator on the IoT interface in the case of moving object ahead

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Radar sensor is running

**Scenario:**

1. Radar Sensor sends data to IoT Engine.
2. IoT displays “normal condition” if no moving object detected ahead
3. IoT displays “hazardous condition” if moving object is detected ahead
  - a. IoT Engine displays a warning message on the IoT interface with recommended action to stop the train
  - b. Train Operator acknowledges the message on the interface by pressing “okay”.
  - c. Log File records operator response with timestamp.

**Exceptions:**

1. The sensor detects an object but fails to detect if it is moving. In this case, inform the operator of potentially moving object ahead.

**Use Case:** Stationary Object Detection

**Use Case No. :** 4.1.7

**Primary Actor:** Radar Sensor

**Secondary Actor:** Train Operator, IoT Engine, IoT Display, Log File

**Goal:** Notify train operator on the IoT interface in the case of stationary object ahead

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Radar sensor is running

**Scenario:**

1. Radar Sensor sends data to IoT Engine.
2. IoT displays “normal condition” if no stationary object detected ahead
3. IoT displays “hazardous condition” if stationary object is detected ahead
  - a. IoT Engine displays a warning message on the IoT interface with recommended action to stop the train
  - b. Train Operator acknowledges the message on the interface by pressing “okay”.
  - c. Log File records operator response with timestamp.

**Exceptions:**

1. The sensor detects an object but fails to detect if it is moving. In this case, inform the operator of potentially moving object ahead.

**Use Case:** Open Gate Detection

**Use Case No. :** 4.1.8

**Primary Actor:** Camera Sensor

**Secondary Actor:** Train Operator, IoT Engine, IoT Display, Log File

**Goal:** Notify train operator on the IoT interface in the case of an open gate ahead

**Preconditions:** IoT Display is activated

**Trigger:** Camera sensor is running

**Scenario:**

1. Camera Sensor sends data to IoT Engine.
2. IoT displays “normal condition” if closed gate detected ahead
3. IoT displays “hazardous condition” if open gate detected ahead
  - d. IoT Engine displays a warning message on the IoT Display with recommended action to stop the train
  - e. Train Operator acknowledges the message on the IoT Display by pressing “okay”.
  - f. Log File records operator response with timestamp.

**Exceptions:**

1. The sensor detects a gate but fails to detect if it is open or closed. In this case, inform the operator of a potentially open gate ahead.

**Use Case:** Technician accesses Log File

**Use Case No. : 4.1.9**

**Primary Actor:** Technician

**Secondary Actor:** Log File, IoT Display, Cloud Log

**Goal:** Technician is able to log in and access onboard Log File

**Preconditions:**

1. Train is on
2. Technician has log in clearance and username/password

**Trigger:** Technician attempts to log in to IoT.

**Scenario:**

1. Technician enters username/password into IoT Engine
  - a. Technician's login is valid and access is granted to the logs
2. Technician will access the Log File
  - a. Technician can upload Log File to Cloud Log if there is wifi connection

**Exceptions:**

1. Technician's login is invalid, an "incorrect username or password" message is displayed and technician is denied access to logs

**Use Case:** Technician make changes to the system

**Use Case No. : 4.1.10**

**Primary Actor:** Technician

**Secondary Actor:** IoT Engine, IoT Display

**Goal:** Technician makes successful changes to the IoT Engine

**Preconditions:** Train is on, technician has valid clearance, and there is a wifi connection

**Trigger:** Technician attempts to make changes to the IoT Engine

**Scenario:**

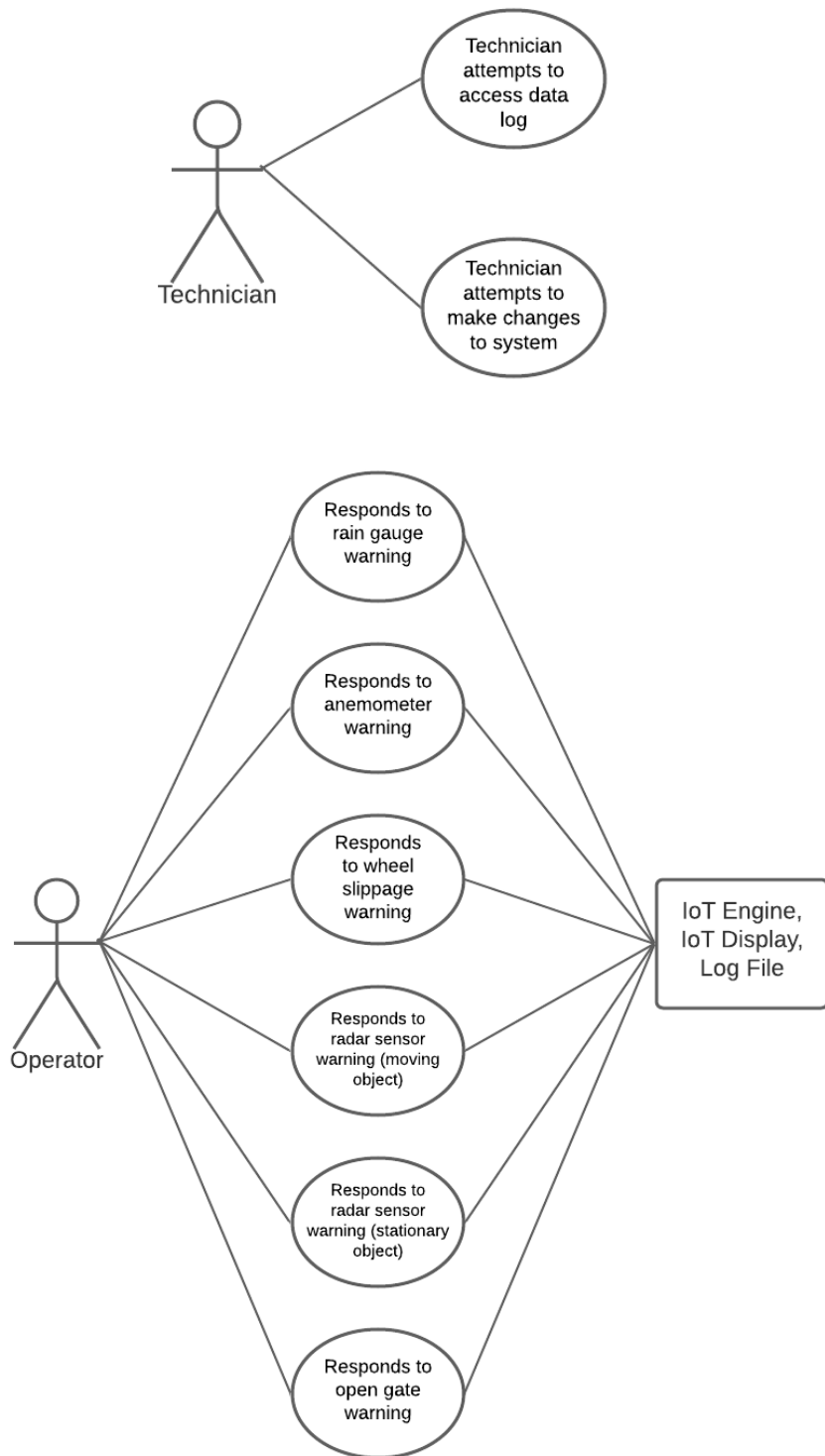
1. Technician logs into IoT Engine either onboard or remotely and selects "update system"
  - a. IoT will display "failed to connect" message if there is no wifi connection on board
2. Technicians will upload changes to the system.

**Exceptions:**

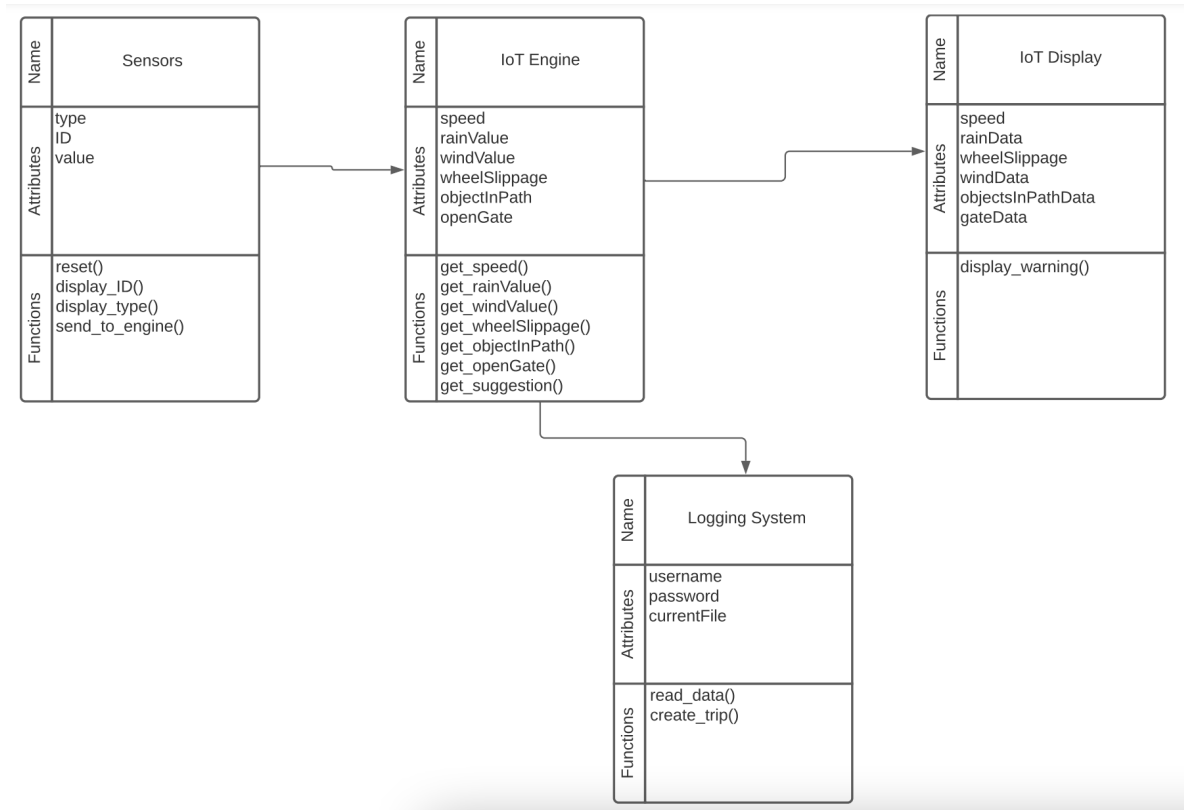
1. If wifi connection is lost part way through upload, all changes are reverted
2. If technician does not have valid clearance or passes an invalid username/password combo they are not allowed access to system
3. If there is no wifi connection, updates are not possible



## 4.2 Use Case Diagram



### 4.3 Class-Based Modeling



Each of the sensors will have 3 attributes: type, ID, and value. The type will store what type of sensor it is, such as the rain sensors, wind sensors, etc. Each sensor will have a unique ID, which will help in specifying which sensor is which. The value will be the data that is sent directly to the IoT Engine.

The IoT Engine will process all of the data received from the sensors and turn it into a suggestion or warning to be displayed on the IoT Engine. It will factor in data from all of the sensors when generating the suggestions. At the end of each trip, the IoT Engine will send all of the data collected to the Log File, which will be accessible to all those with a recognized username and the matching password.

The IoT Display will allow the conductor to see all the data from the sensors. The display will have separate sections for each of the sensors, which allows the conductor to access data from every hazardous condition that can be detected with the sensors. Each section will also turn green, orange, or red; depending on the level to which the conditions are hazardous.

The Log File will store all of the data collected after each trip, specifically once the train reaches the destination station. This will only be accessible to users with an authorized username and their matching password.

#### 4.4 CRC Modeling/Cards

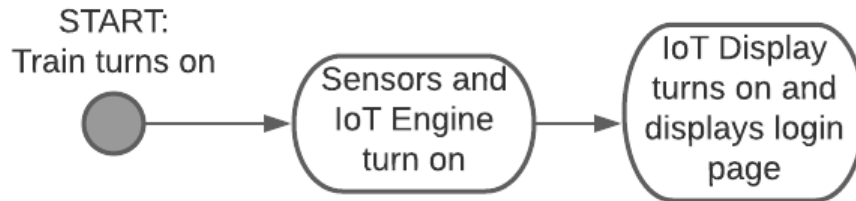
Sensors	IoT Engine	Logging System
<b>Description:</b> Capture data on various external factors that may affect the train.	<b>Description:</b> Process the data received from the sensors and give suggestions, warnings, and recommendations to the train conductor.	<b>Description:</b> Store the data for the trip and allow those with access to the system to view stored data.
<b>Responsibilities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obtain data on external factors such as rain, wind, obstacles, wheel slippage, and gate openings</li> <li>Send the data to the IoT engine</li> </ul>	<b>Responsibilities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Process the data received from the different types of sensors</li> <li>Based on the data given, send a suggest and/or warning to the train conductor via the IoT Display</li> <li>Send the data at the end of the trip to the Logging System</li> </ul>	<b>Responsibilities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Store data on the different trips that the train takes</li> <li>Allows conductors with the correct username and password to view the data on previous trips</li> </ul>

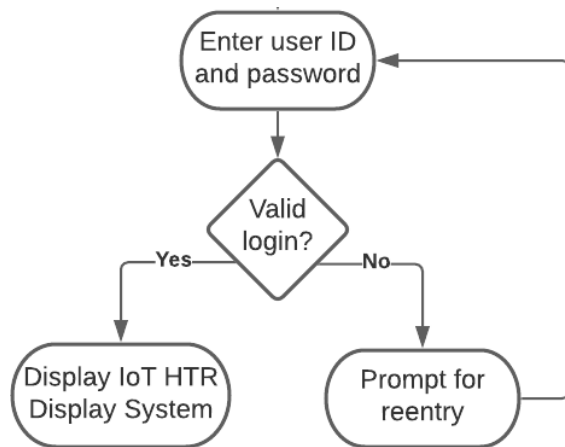
IoT Display		
<b>Description:</b> A tablet-like screen next to the conductor which displays information.		
<b>Responsibilities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inform conductor of hazardous conditions</li> <li>Display warnings and speed suggestions</li> <li>Display all data collected from the sensors</li> </ul>		

## 4.5 Activity Diagram

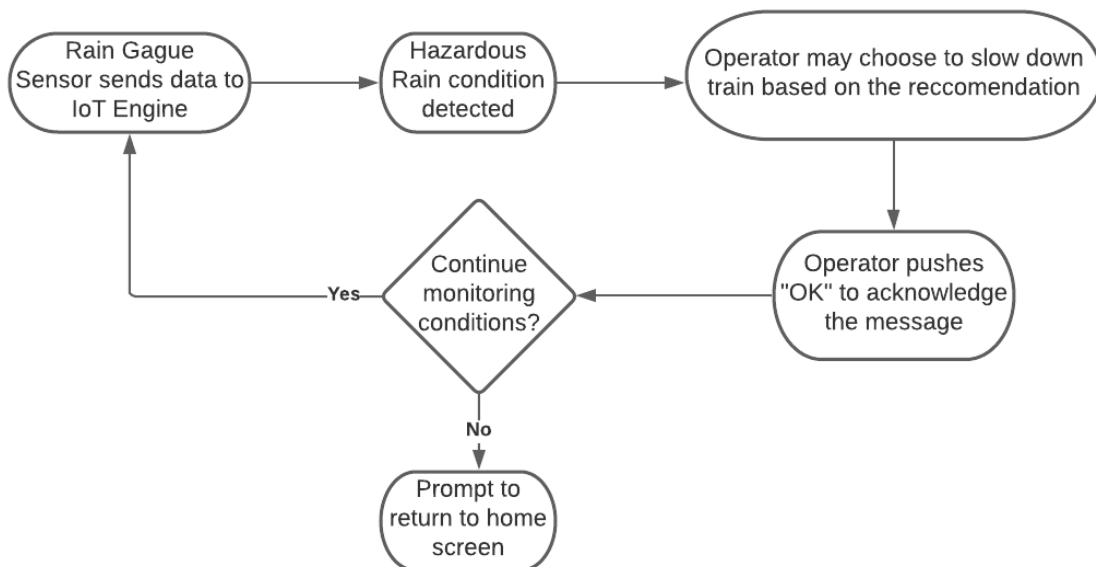
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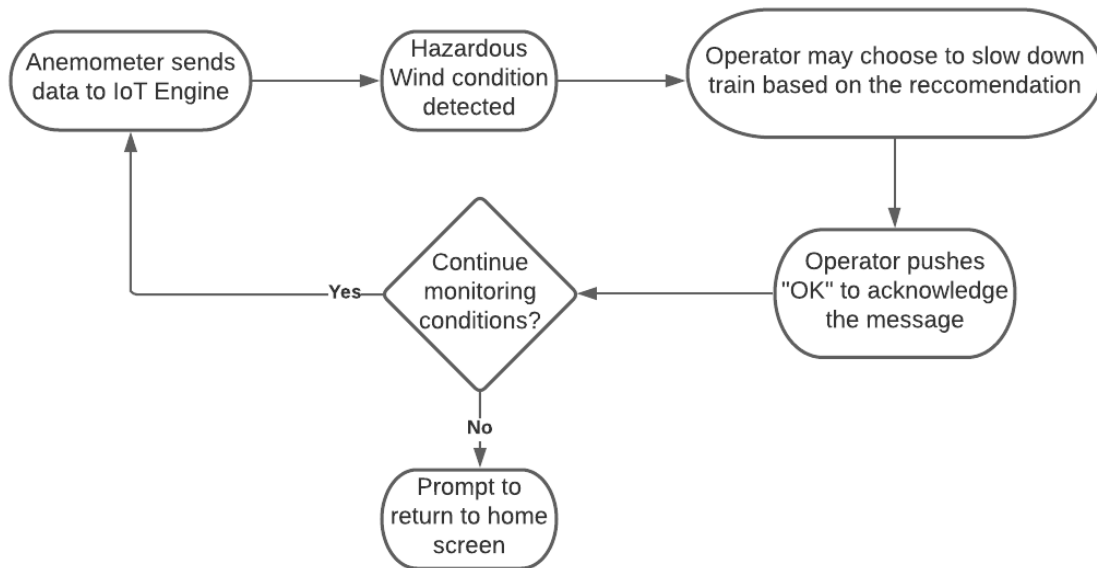
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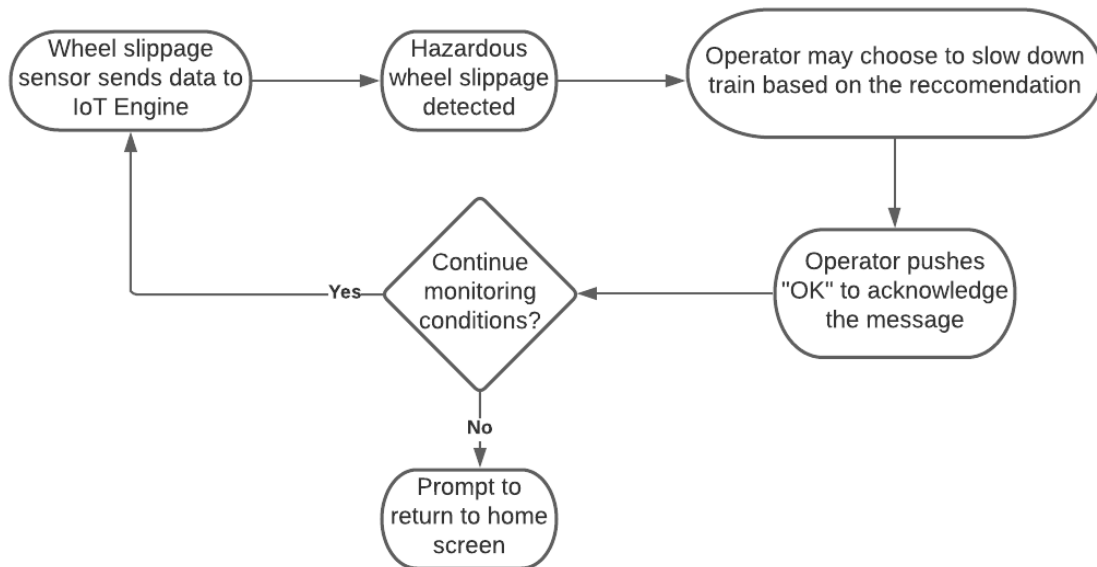
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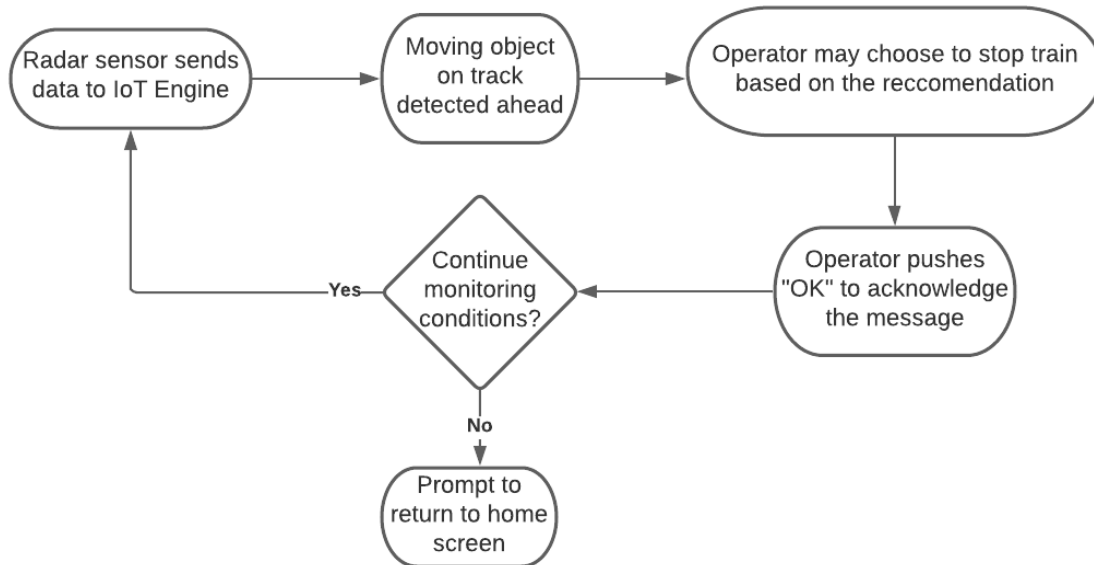
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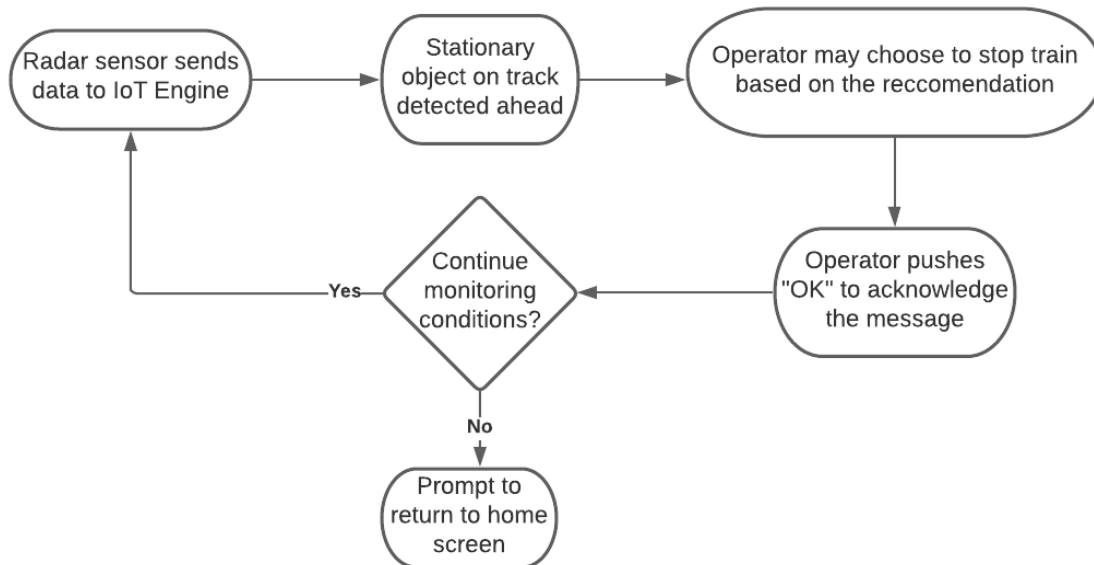
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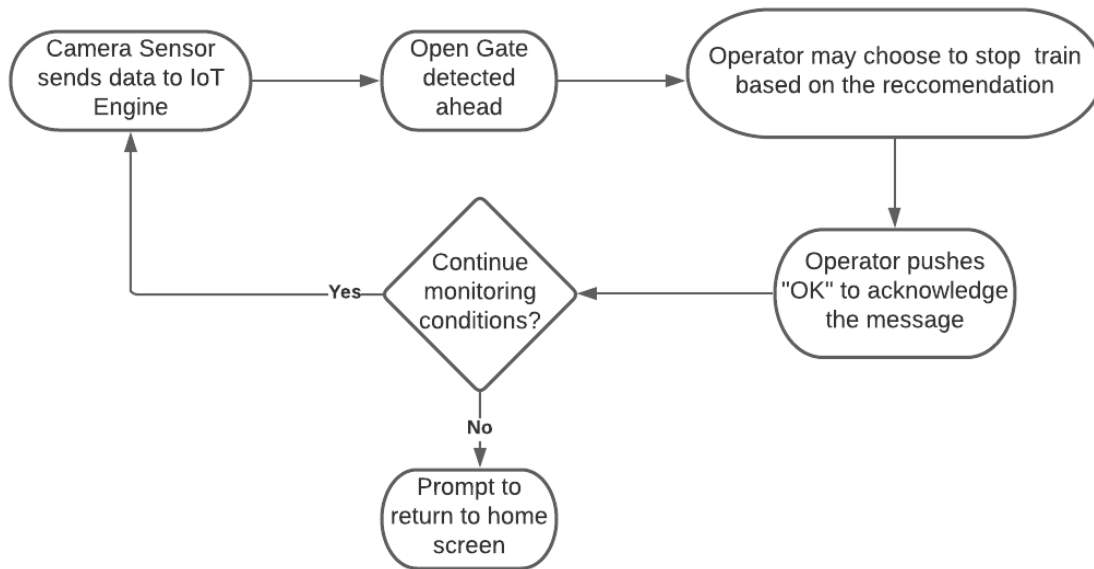
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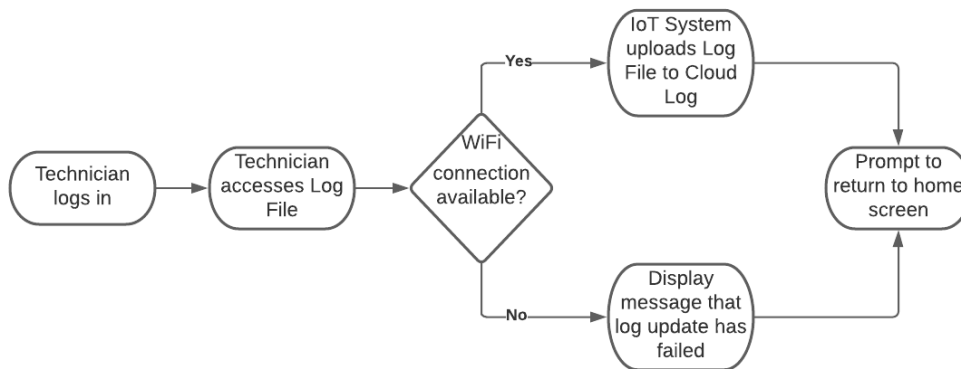
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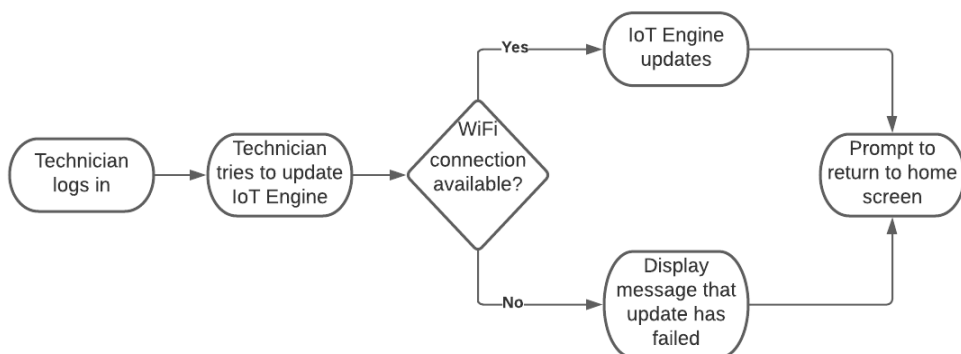
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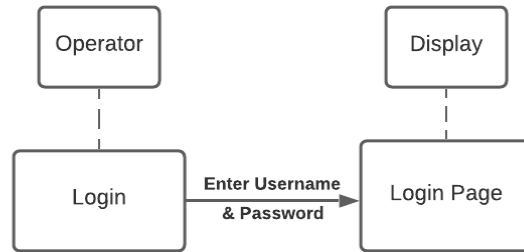


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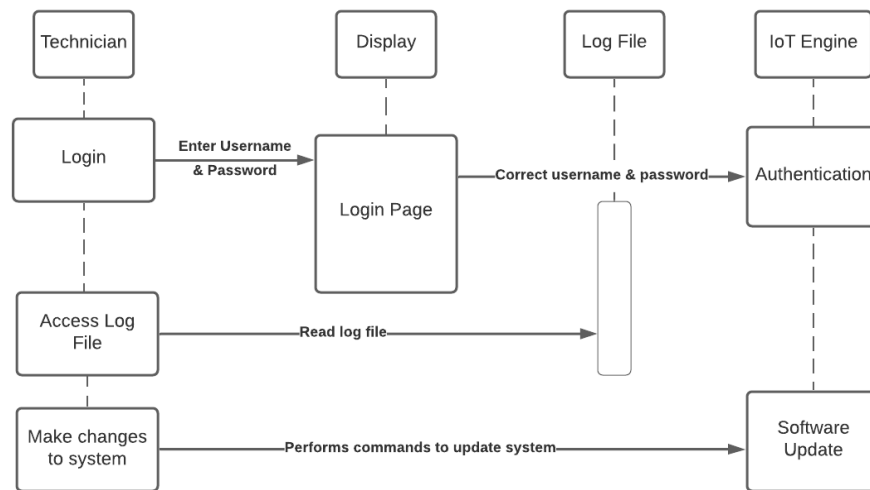


## 4.6 Sequence Diagrams

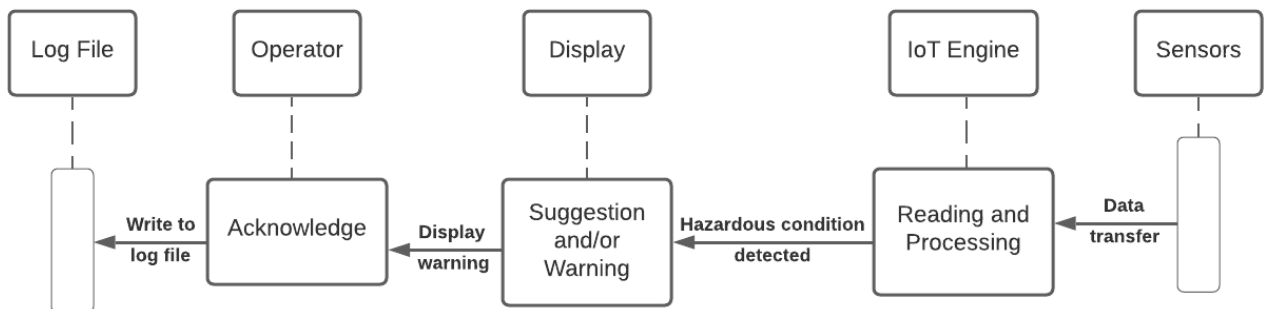
Operator Sequence Diagram:



Technician Sequence Diagram:

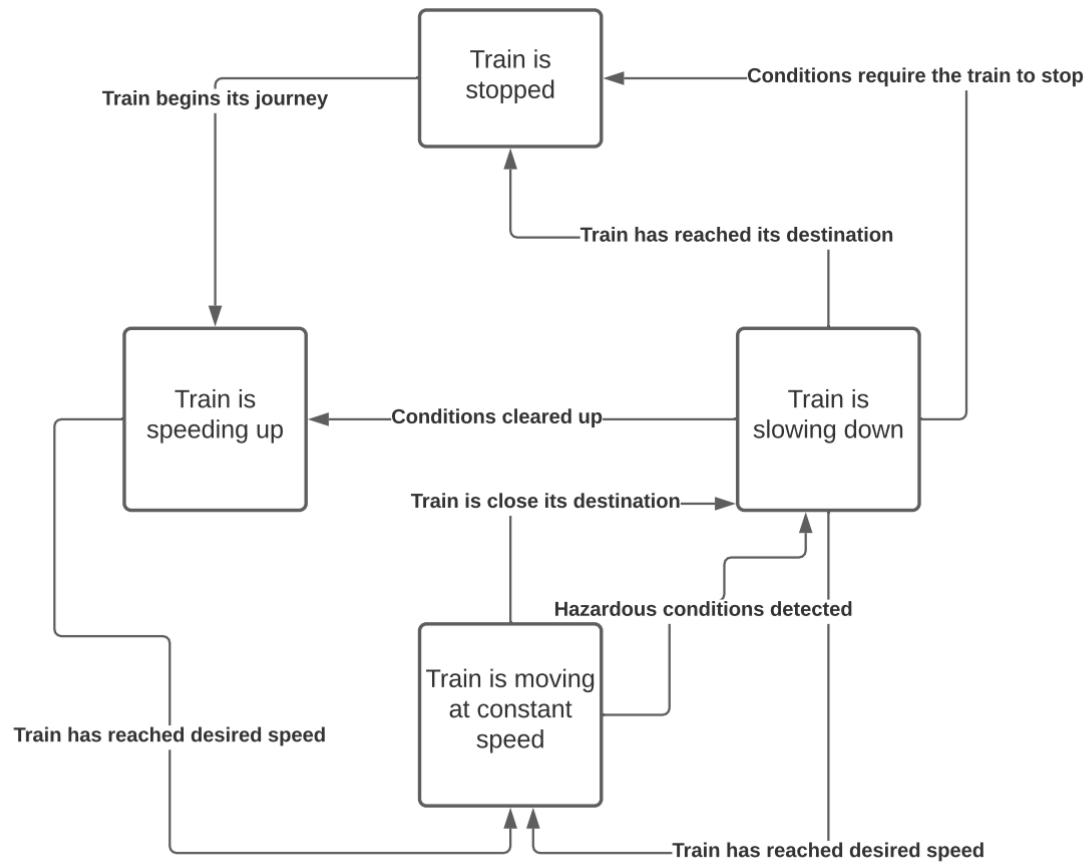


Sensor Sequence Diagram:





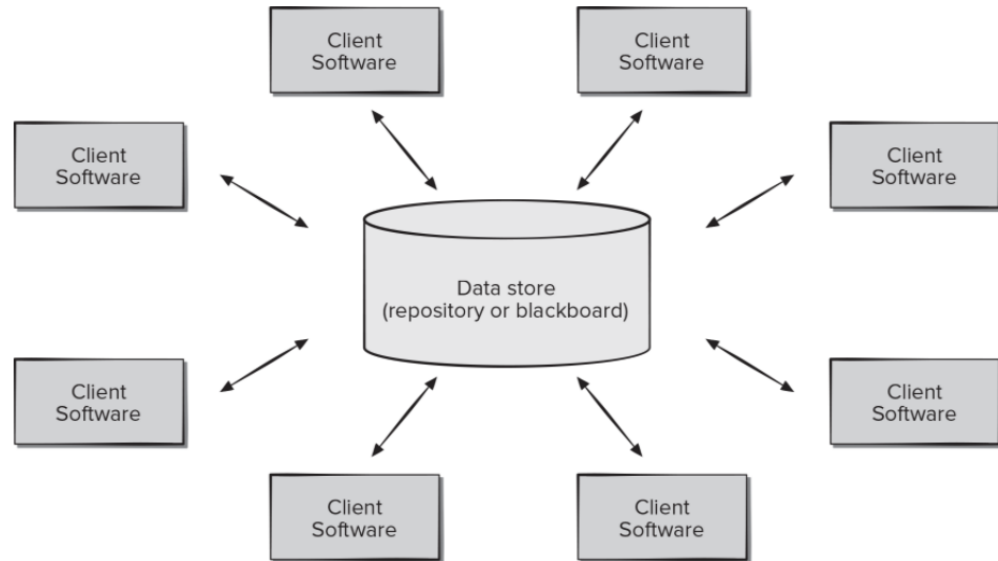
## 4.7 State Diagram



## Section 5: Software Architecture

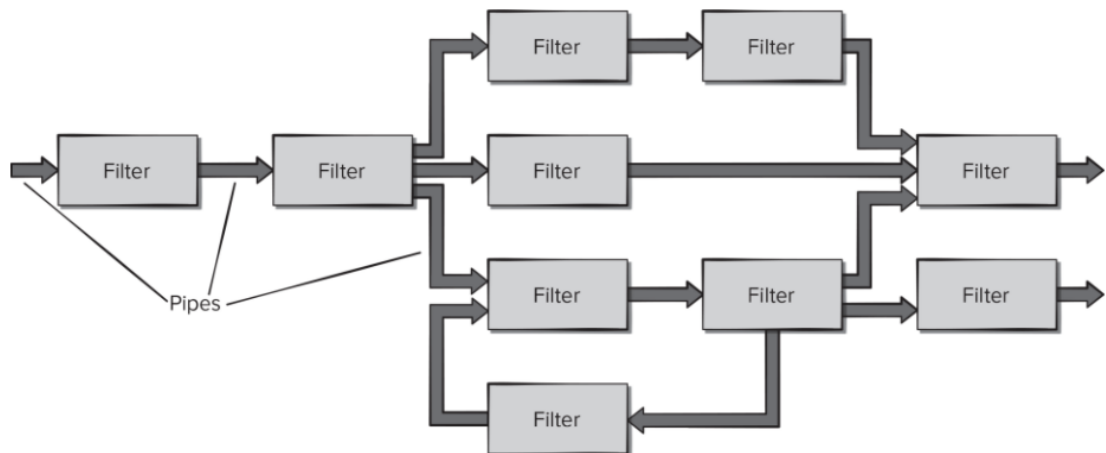
### 5.1 Software Architecture Models

#### 5.1.1 Data-Centered Architecture



This architectural style is centered around a data store with independent components accessing the data store to update or modify the data. This is a feasible architecture for IoT Hug the Rails because each of the different types of sensors can act as one of the independent components and the central data store can be our IoT Engine.

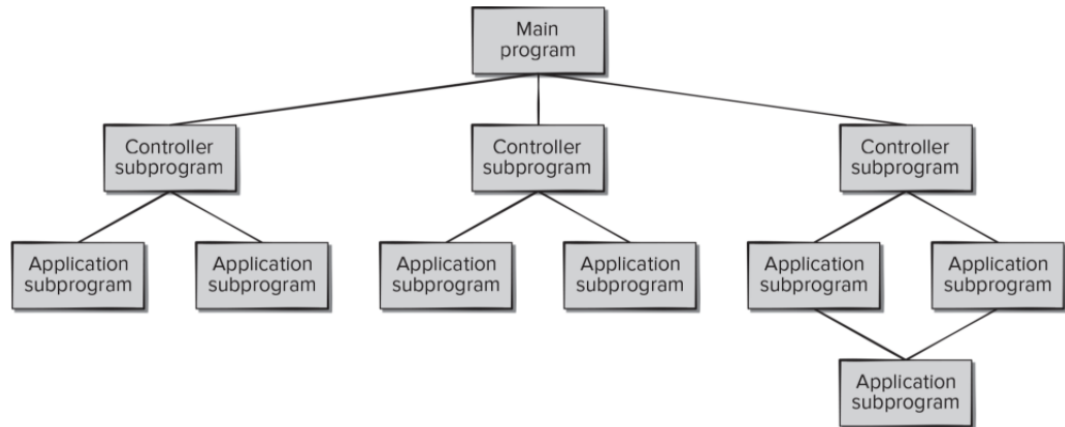
#### 5.1.2 Data-Flow Architecture



Data-Flow architecture is used when input data is to be manipulated and changed through computations. Each filter acts independently but expects some form of

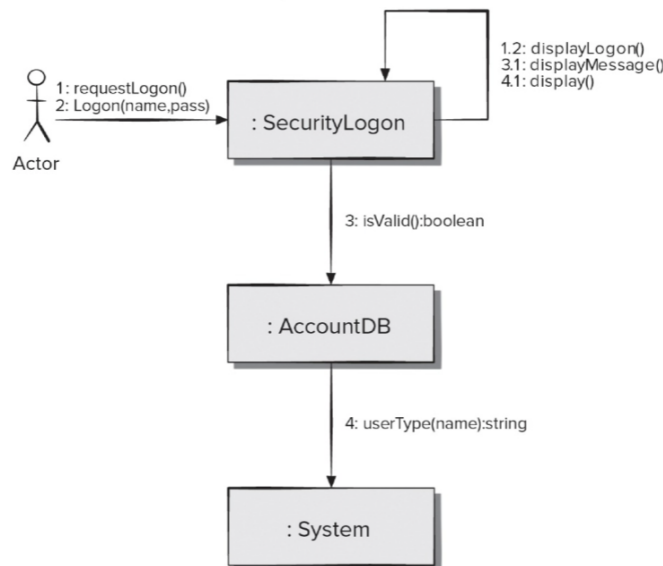
data as an input. This is another feasible option because the filters could be each of the different functions that are called by the IoT Engine to produce a suggestion for the conductor.

### 5.1.3 Call-and-Return Architecture



There are two categories of call-and-return architecture: main program/subprogram and remote procedure call. Both of these are used for a structure that can be easy to adjust and scale. This could be a feasible option for IoT Hug the Rails because the main program could call other functions to determine suggestions for the different types of hazards that could disrupt the trains journey, such as rain, wind, etc.

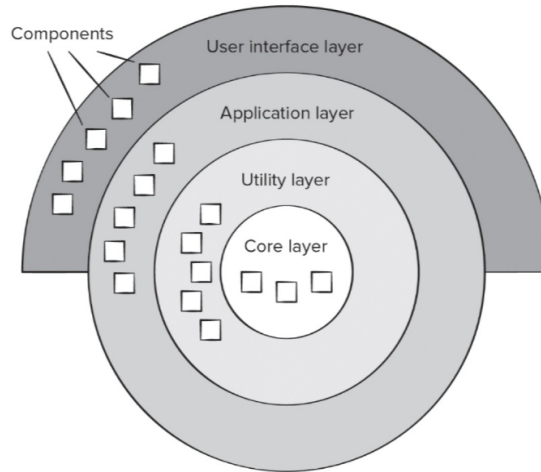
### 5.1.4 Object-Oriented Architecture



Each component of the system is represented by its own class, which communicates with other classes to transmit, receive, and analyze data. While

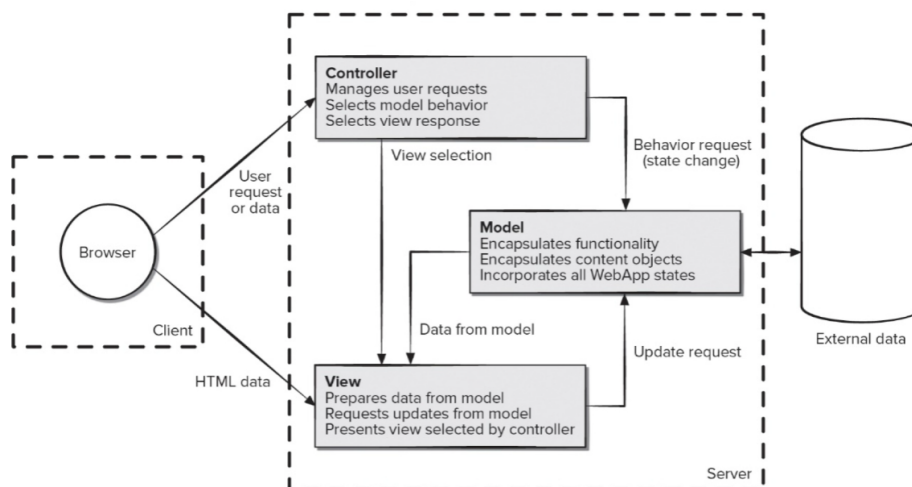
there are more feasible options, this architecture could work for this project by having each of our actors displayed on the diagram.

### 5.1.5 Layered Architecture



The layered architecture model is based on different levels, beginning from the user interface, which is what the conductor would see, all the way down to the core layer, where the sensors send data to the IoT Engine. This is a feasible option for the IoT Hug the Rails project, because each of the different actors could be a different layer in the model.

### 5.1.6 Model-View-Controller Architecture



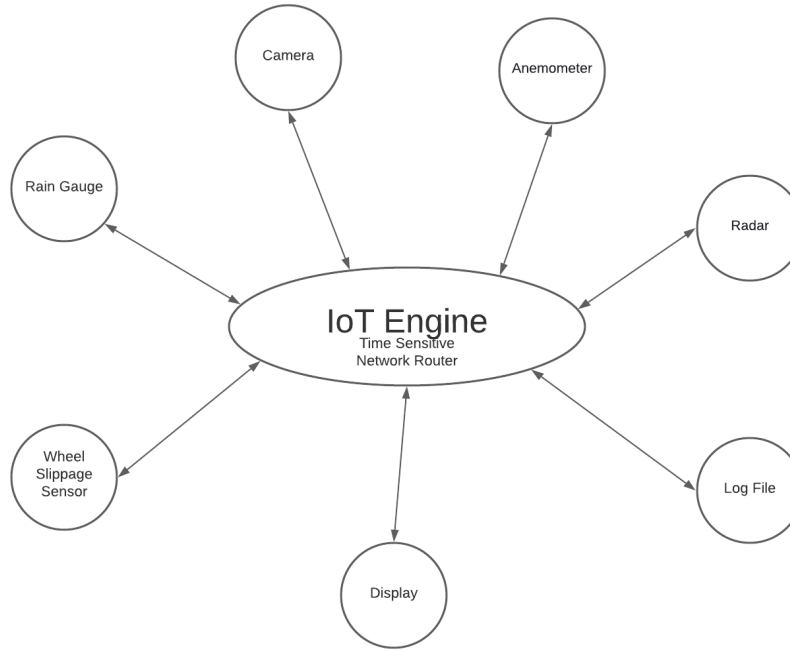
The MVC architecture model is a mobile infrastructure model, mainly used in web development. It has three components: the model, the view, and the controller. The model focuses on logic and application content, the view focuses

on the interface and the interaction with the user, and the controller focuses on the flow of data. This could be feasible for the IoT Hug the Rails project, and other models would be better suited, as the MVC model is a web based model.

## 5.2 Pros and Cons

Architecture	Pros	Cons
Data-Centered Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provides concurrency that allows all sensors to work in parallel</li> <li>• Allows us to closely monitor sensor readings through data log</li> <li>• Allows us to closely monitor operator and technician actions through data log</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A change in the data store may affect every other client software</li> <li>• May be difficult to test system subcomponents</li> </ul>
Data-Flow Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows us to filter the information and check for dangerous conditions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filter manipulates data which is not what we want the IoT Engine to do</li> </ul>
Call-and-Return Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easily scalable program for future sensor additions</li> <li>• Allows the entire system to be broken into subsections</li> <li>• Good for subsection debugging</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsections may be more difficult to keep track of and maintain through different iterations</li> </ul>
Object-Oriented Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows the entire system to be broken into subsections</li> <li>• Good for subsection debugging</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forces division of sections into classes, structure is more rigid</li> </ul>
Layered Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allows the entire system to be broken into subsections</li> <li>• Good for subsection debugging</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance may slow down with more layers being added</li> </ul>
Model-View-Controller Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Predefined sections, allows structure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has set sections, less flexibility</li> <li>• Web based model</li> </ul>

### 5.3 Choice of Architecture



For the Internet of Things Hug the Rails project, we chose to go with a Data-Centered Architecture. The pros of this architecture outweigh the cons more so than the other ones. The data collected from the sensors is essential to this project. By going with a data-centered architecture, we can track the data from the sensor outputs and feed them into the IoT Display through the IoT Engine, which will act as our central data store. Each individual sensor will output a continuous stream of data, which the IoT Engine will analyze in real-time and send out the readings and potential warnings/recommendations to the operator using the IoT Display. Similarly, the Technician will request a system update or a data upload to the Cloud through the IoT Display, and that data will be read by the IoT Engine, which will interact with the necessary client software in order to achieve the desired result.

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