

Inventory Management System for Costumer Service

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ABSTRACT

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In this paper, we would build a small, simple application that would list the items in the store that would allow the costumers to search their wanted products, which counter they are located, and the price of the item using the Insert Sorting Algorithm.

General Terms:

Insert Sorting Algorithm.

Keywords:

Algorithm, Application, Sorting, Convenience store.

1. INTRODUCTION

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2. RELATED WORKS

Electronic shopping system having self-scanning price check and purchasing terminal -

An electronic shopping system, communicating between a store computer and a customer assistance terminal, for providing item price information for general customers and effecting item transactions for customers carrying a valid customer identification indicia. The shopping assistance terminal operates as a price check terminal in a default mode and is adaptively reconfigurable to a transaction terminal mode upon receipt of a valid customer identification indicia. A Price Look Up table is maintained in the store data base and, as a product is scanned, the item's price is verified and displayed on an integral display screen. If the terminal is configured in the transaction terminal mode, the item data is further added to a transaction list maintained in a memory storage area of a customer ID card.

Inventory management system -

An inventory management and tracking system for tracking items with RFID tags, which includes a business logic rules engine having a plurality of rules which dictate how information is assembled and presented, provides specific dataset definitions which govern import and export of data to disparate systems, and provides an interface to planning applications as well as high end inventory, management and accounting systems. The system also includes a data storage module coupled to said business logic rules engine, a capture module operative to capture information from said RFID tags, a reporting module operative to determine and produce an accurate inventory of said items, and a data transformation interface coupling said business logic rules engine to said data storage, capture and reporting modules.

Order and inventory management system -

An interactive business to business order and inventory management system to fulfill customer requisitions and provide current product inventory status information comprising a supplier computer having information processing and storage capabilities to establish inventory of products and designated shipping sites, to establish and maintain product inventory

counts, receive, accept, fulfill, ship and bill individual customer product requests, to track status of customer product requests and to generate customer product order reports and at least one customer computer having information processing and storage capabilities to order products for shipment to designated sites and to selectively request customer product order reports operatively coupled by a data communications link capable of transferring data and information therebetween.

Effectiveness of vendor managed inventory systems in retail supermarkets in Kenya - Vendor Managed Inventory (VMI) is one of the many initiatives that strive towards closer cooperation between the members of supply chains in the area of inventory and demand management (Daugherty, 1999). Vendor Managed Inventory is an inventory management process that falls under the 'push' stock management processes. These are processes that are triggered by interpretation of an expected demand in inventory and supply is scheduled to meet this demand.

System and method for completing in-store transactions using a mobile computing device - Inventory management in a checkout-free store may use a combination of anti-theft tags, door sensors, a payment application on a smartphone and associated with a payment device, and a shopping cart or basket with a first communication device (e.g., a radio frequency identification ("RFID") tag, near-field communication ("NFC") device, etc.).

Voice activated, voice responsive product locator system, including product location method utilizing product bar code and product-situated, location-identifying bar code - The present invention is an item location system which relies upon voice activation and responsiveness to identify location(s) of item(s) sought by a user. The system includes a continuous speech recognition digital signal processor, a programmable microprocessor interfaced therewith, voice input and user feedback mechanisms, including audio and/or video feedback.

Easy Checkout - E-commerce means that articles can be searched for and found with great ease and speed. The payment process is just as easy and quick. Online purchases are confirmed and paid for in seconds with a click, fingerprint, or by facial recognition.

3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

3.1 BLOCK DIAGRAM

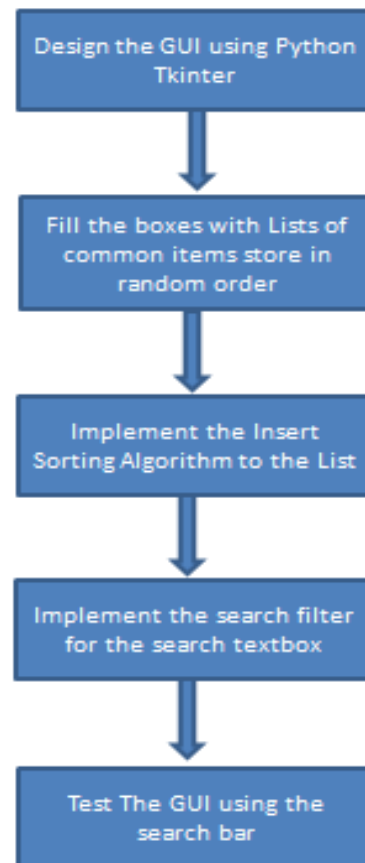


Figure 1: Group flow chart

Figure 1 represents the progression of the project. We split the work each of our three man group: Two tasks will be given to one person (Design and algorithm implementation), another two task for one person (search box and testing), and one task for the last person (making the list of items).

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[5] **Hilton and IBM built a Watson-powered concierge robot**

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4. EXPERIMENTATION AND RESULTS

The Prototype of our app will be tested by the researchers themselves. The prototype consists of 36 lists of different items that are common to a convenient store or a small supermarket.

4.1 Subsections

Counter	Item Category	Item Name	Price	Price
Counter 01	Tools	Hammer	Price	90
Counter 01	Tools	Nails	Price	150
Counter 01	Tools	Saw	Price	150
Counter 01	Tools	Screwdriver	Price	100
Counter 01	Tools	Tape	Price	10
Counter 02	Junk Foods	Cheese Chips	Price	06
Counter 02	Junk Foods	Cheesy	Price	06
Counter 02	Junk Foods	Cracklings	Price	06
Counter 02	Junk Foods	Plattos	Price	15
Counter 02	Junk Foods	Potato Chips	Price	25
Counter 03	Meat	Beef Legs	Price	250
Counter 03	Meat	Beef Ribs	Price	250
Counter 03	Meat	Beef Steak	Price	250
Counter 03	Meat	Pork Legs	Price	250
Counter 03	Meat	Pork Ribs	Price	250
Counter 05	School Supplies	Ballpoint pens	Price	50
Counter 05	School Supplies	LongBond Papers	Price	50
Counter 05	School Supplies	Printing Papers	Price	50
Counter 05	School Supplies	Shortbond Papers	Price	50
Counter 05	School Supplies	Yellow Papers	Price	50
Counter 07	Utensils	Fork	Price	12
Counter 07	Utensils	Knives	Price	12
Counter 07	Utensils	Spatula	Price	12
Counter 07	Utensils	Spoon	Price	12
Counter 07	Utensils	Trappeware	Price	12
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Baby Milk	Price	19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Choco Milk	Price	19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Coffee mate	Price	19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Folgers	Price	19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Nescafe	Price	19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Skim Milk	Price	20
Counter 09	Bathroom Stuff	Safeguard	Price	2
Counter 09	Soap	Head n Shoulders	Price	2
Counter 09	Soap	Toilet Papers	Price	2
Counter 09	Soap	ToothBrush	Price	2
Counter 09	Soap	Toothpaste	Price	2

Figure 1

4.1.1 Figure 1

Figure 1 is the Main User Interface. This Form will be the only one the user will see and use. The Form consists of 36 lists, 5 items per counter. In the first table, the users can see the counter number. Second table, is the general name of the items that can be found in the first table. Third table, is the product name. Fourth and fifth table is the price table where the user can see prices of the items from the second table. The Insert Sorting algorithm would rearrange the items based on the counter number.

Counter ID	Item Name	Item Name	Item Name	Price
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Baby Milk		19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Choco Milk		19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Coffee mate		19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Folges		19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Nescafe		19
Counter 08	Coffee/Cream/Milk	Sim Milk		20

Figure 2

4.1.2 Figure 2

When the user/customer searches for an item, the Search Filter would arrange the clear the items that are not searched and only the preferred items would stay put.

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

Conclusion: The app works as the researchers planned and designed. The algorithm sorts the counter number from least to greatest and the search filter works as the user wants it to look up.

Recommendation: There should be a different form that a staff could add the items.

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