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## Description of the practicum

The main objective of this Master Thesis consist in the development of an mobile application to be used int highschools by teachers. It could allows teachers to carry on control students attendance, their behavior. Also it permits quick assessment by activity. Teachers would read students reports: weekly and daily assessment, by activity assessments and total marks.

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Technologies involved:

- Java <sup>TM</sup>language.
- Android <sup>TM</sup>. The operatig skeleton application.
- PhoneGap <sup>TM</sup> (alias Cordova ) framework to develop multi-platform applications.
- JQuery and JqueryMobile to development of mobile oriented applications.
- JavaScript with Web Databases.
- Git for version control system.
- LATEX for documentation.

Meetings:

- Technologies to be used were stated, work methodologies, first application windows (pages), Android version to be used (2.3.3) because is the most popular.
- Several emails and gtalk conversations about organization, general problems were written.

#### Teleworking is carried on

Materials and special equipment used:

- Hardware: Intel Quad, 6GiB RAM, 500GiB HD.
- Software: Debian GNU/Linux Wheezy (testing), Eclipse Juno, JQuery 1.8.1, jQueryMobile 1.1.1, and PhoneGap-Cordova 1.8.1, Android Virtual Manager 2.3.3, Git 1.7.10.4-1.
- Real testing: Sony-Ericsson Xperia V mobile phone, with USB cable and wifi.

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#### Introduction

In a high school, there are classes which attendance, assessment and group dynamics is difficult to control. This is especially relevant for the technology workshop, this could be a noisy, annoying, even dangerous place, which requires teacher's supervision. This workshop requires a lightweight, reliable and complete software tool. A simple web solution is not enough, and even use a tablet can be heavy, it requires a new approach.

The development of a multiplatform tool, open source, for smartphones, including tablets, for attendance monitoring and evaluation of students is suggested. To achieve this goal a client-side application will be developed using a multiplataform framework: Phonegap (Cordova) [Pho12b]. Phonegap allows you to develop utilizing well-known languages as Javascript and HTML. It permit us to deploy an application for both Android, WebOS, iOS and others.

For data management, a built-in database, SQLite, will be employed.

The tool that enables rapid development of the application and integration of performance tests is Eclipse. It uses the Android virtual machine (AVM).

## Working plan

#### 2.1 Description and objectives

An open source multi-platform management application for high school teachers is developed. It can be run on a smartphone or tablet. The actual objectives of the application are students management:

- Attendance and punctuality control.
- Misbehaviour control.
- Activities assessment. Each student will have an activity mark.

Application should also include these features:

- Data visualization. As table-like format. Attendance and misbehaviour
- Server synchronization with a custom application or Xade [dEXdG12].

The final goal is to develop an application to make teacher's work easier and comfortable. This application is focused on user (teacher) experience. Also an objective is to write extensible, easy to read code, which allows external developers to take part into application development.

Task to be done:

• Study state-of-art solutions:

Find out other solutions: PDAs and smart-phone or tablet related and webbased applications.

Download to study and reuse graphical user interfaces, code or/and database structure.

• Develop database structure: tables (field names and type of data), and relationships among tables.

#### • Preparation for development:

Build development and staging environment:

Install Eclipse [Fou01], Android Virtual Machine [Inc01], Aptana Plugin for Eclipse, JQuery, JQueryMobile [Mob12a] and Phonegap [Pho12b] from their respective websites [Pho12a].

Choose application name and folder's policy.

Make a simple application: only a blank page.

Configure a git repository and upload the application: [Aqu12].

#### Development will follow these stages:

- Populate database with sample data. Firstly, data will be hard-coded into source code to stagging. Several tables will be created: groups, students, sessions, teacher schedule, students attendance, activities, student activities, and activities per group. Secondly the appropriate windows to manage these tables will be built.
- Groups: Several groups (four) of students will be hard-coded into javascript source code, with three or four students each other.

Make list of groups window. This will list the four groups.

Groups management window. Another group could be added, or removed.

#### • Students information:

Make list of students window per group and complete list of students.

Students management window: to insert and update data students: name, surname, birthday, address, e-mail, tutor name, landline and cell phone numbers and nationality.

- Sessions. Each lecture has a description (as 'first hour', or 'recreation'), starting and ending time. These sessions will be hard-coded on first version.
- Teacher schedule. For the current teacher, it contains weekly and daily schedule: name of group, session and day of the week. This information will be also hard-coded.

- Main window (or *page* in PhoneGap notation) will be created. Teacher can set current data and go to *daily page*, manage activities, students and groups or manage reports: assessment and attendance. Next page will be *daily page*.
- Timetable for current date: daily schedule, list of groups for each day ordered by session.
- Attendance page will be next to be build. It contains a list of students by group. Teacher can assign an attendance code to each student (attendance, misbehaviour, unpunctuality or excused).
- Assessment page is next to previous one. It contains one upper list of activities and a list of students similar to *attendance page*. Teacher could set activity and assign adequate mark to each student.
- Activities. This page manage activities (add and disable activities <sup>1</sup>): name and description of assessable exercises.

Activities group will be set in activities page, and activities student will be related with assessment.

• Reports pages.

List activities.

List groups.

List students by group.

List students attendance by week. User can select previous or next week, or set another date.

List students marks and final mark.

- Error handling. While developing each SQL query, any error will be catched and an error window will appears.
- Eventually, test into real hardware: an Android 2.3.3 mobile phone, tablets, and so on.

Next steps will include:

- Load data from an external file. This is well-documented [].
- Load images from disk (SD-Card).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>still not coded

- Save or download data from database to disk.
- Xade web interface.
  - a) Study Xade web interface.
  - b) Develop an ad-hoc application for retrieve Xade's data. With javascript or a native one.
    - 8. Develop an ad-hoc application for store data.
    - 9. Synchronization with a custom server or with Xade.
- Test units. To ensure previous step were implemented.
- User documentation. Manual with images.
- Developer's documentation.
- Find out a website to host a forum, a bug report system, documentation and application download.

In the following table a broad estimation of time spent in each task are shown.

| Task  | Time (hours) |
|---|--------------|
| State-of-art solutions                        | 10           |
| Develop database                              | 8            |
| Preparation for development                   | 40           |
| Development.                                  |              |
|   |              |
| Populate database with sample data            | 20           |
| Groups. List and management                   | 50           |
| Students. List and management                 | 30           |
| Timetable for actual date                     | 80           |
| Add attendance, behaviour                     | 50           |
| Add error handling                            | 2            |
| Retrieve and insert data from and to database | 30           |
| List of attendance, misbehaviour incidents.   | 12           |
| Add activities grades for each student.       | 12           |
| List students marks and final mark.           | 14           |
| Activities management window                  | 14           |
| Management of student notes.                  | 20           |
| List of student notes.                        | 2            |
| Test into real hardware                       | 20           |
| Total   | 384          |

#### 2.2 Motivation

As a Technologies teacher, in my daily work I have to evaluate students work such as working with tools, cooperative work with other classmates etc., besides usual activities

as written exercises. A long data sheet could used, or an awkward long spreadsheet, but a portable device with a custom application should be desirable.

This application tries to increase teacher's productivity because teacher only has to write attendance, or unpunctuality two times (on official report and on application's window), and classroom notes and activity grades on very easy way.

The most important feature is to be as easy, fast and intuitive as possible. It could be desirable to be platform independent (Android, iOS, Windows RT), but Android is preferred because it is open source and has a higher market share.

On the other hand, development of this application improves my computer science skills in mobile-phone applications development: JQuery, jQueryMobile, PhoneGap/Cordova, SQLite, Android, git repository management.

#### 2.3 Methodology

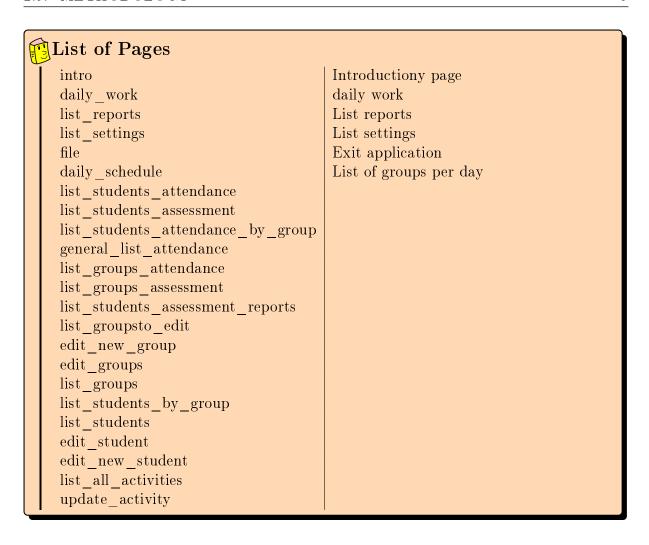
This work was carried on building little blocks, also called pages, and make it up into final application. Database structure was separated from interface, and interface was also separated into dynamic and static contents. Each new functionality was written, tested, and polished. Each new function was written from previous one, and so on.

#### 2.3.1 HTML

There are only two html files: **index.html** and **remove.html**. The most important: **index.html** file is build by blocks called pages, gathered together [Mob12b]. Each page is its own **div** with custom properties (*propieraty* properties in Eclipse jargon ): **data-role="page"**. Below as show an example: list of several reports, user could choose one and a function (*onReportListAttendance(*) or *onReportListAssessment(*) ) is executed.

Inside each page there are several identificatives id="name" which are used by application to fill with data (e.g. within  $daily\_schedule$  page  $current\_day$  id is used to set date to current date).

```
Reports Page
   <div data-role="page" id="list\_reports" data-add-back-btn="false">
             <div data-role="header" data-back-btn-text="previous"</pre>
               data-add-back-btn="false" >
             <a href="#daily\_work" data-icon="arrow-l" data-theme="a"
               data-role="button">Back</a>
                 <h1>Reports</h1>
             </div>
             <div data-role="content">
                 data-split-icon="gear" data-split-theme="a"
                   data-filter="false"
                   data-inset="true" data-theme="a" >
                 <a href="#" onClick="onReportListAttendance();"</a>
                  >Attendance</a>
                 <a href="#" onClick="onReportListAssessment();"</a>
                 >Assessment</a>
                 <a href="#" onClick="" >File</a>
                 </div>
             <div data-role="footer" class="footer-docs" data-rel="back"</pre>
              data-theme="a">
              </div>
   </div>
```



#### 2.3.2 Interface code

There is only onle file which deals with interface interactions (events from **html** files): interface.js. If the function is called directly from html code, function name contains **on** prefix. There are several groups of functions:

- Students and Groups functions, which manage and list general students and groups information.
- Activities functions, which update, list and add new activities.
- Assessment functions, list and update students marks.
- Attendance functions, list when student attend classes and update their values.

Whether these functions need access to data (every function but  $onGeneral^*$ ) they call their counterpart function in **database.js** file.

| List of Functions: interface.    | .js                          |            |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| Name                             | Task                         | Group      |
| - $onDeviceReady()$              | Firstly loaded, create and   | Initial    |
|                                  | populate database,           |            |
|                                  | load initial page            |            |
| init()                           | Initial                      |            |
| $initialize\_data$ ()            | Load default date            | Initial    |
| $open\_daily\_page()$            | Daily work page:             | Schedule   |
|                                  | list of groups               |            |
| listStudentsAttendance()         | Students Attendance page     |            |
| requestNewGroup()                | New Group                    | Groups     |
| on Add New Group()               | Edit Group                   | Groups     |
| on Add New Group()               | Update Group                 | Groups     |
| on Delete Group()                | Delete Group                 | Groups     |
| on Save New Group()              | Save Group                   | Groups     |
| on List All Groups()             | List All Groups              | Groups     |
| EditStudent()                    | Edit Student                 | Students   |
| on Delete Student()              | Delete Student               | Students   |
| on Add New Student()             | Add new Student              | Students   |
| on Save Student()                | Save Student                 | Students   |
| on Save New Student()            | Save New Student             | Students   |
| listStudents()                   | Full list of students        | Students   |
| $listStudentsByGroup(\ )$        | List Students by group       | Students   |
| on List All Students()           | Full list of students        | Students   |
| on List All Activities ()        | List All Activities          | Activities |
| on Update Activity()             | Activity update              | Activities |
| onAddNewActivity()               | Add new Activity             | Activities |
| onSaveNewActivity()              | Save New Activity            | Activities |
| on Open Students Assessment()    | Open Students Assessment     | Assessment |
| onRefreshGroupAssessment()       | Reload Group Assessment      | Assessment |
| on Open Students Attendance()    | Open Student Attendance      | Attendance |
| on Report List Attendance()      | List Attendance              | Attendance |
|                                  | T                            | Reports    |
| listStudentsByGroupAttendance()  | List Students by             | Attendance |
|                                  | Group Attendance             | Reports    |
| studentsAttendanceListPrevious() | List Students by Group       | Attendance |
|                                  | Previous week                | Reports    |
| studentsAttendanceListNext()     | List Students by Group       | Attendance |
| D 17:14                          | Next week                    | Reports    |
| on ReportListAssessment()        | List Groups for Assessment   | Assessment |
|                                  |                              | Reports    |
| on List Students Assessment()    | List Students for Assessment | Assessment |
| 1 101 ()                         | C. 1 C                       | Reports    |
| studentState()                   | Student State                | Student    |
| Attendance()                     | Student Attendance           | Student    |
| an Com and I Eila ()             | Darit                        | Attendance |
| onGeneralFile()                  | Exit                         | Exit       |
| onGeneralListReports()           | List Reports                 | Reports    |
| on General List Settings()       | List Settings                | Settings   |

#### 2.3.3 Database code

The file which contains functions which carry on querys and data manipulation (on data base (SQLite)) is: database.js

There are global variables on top of this file. These variables are used by functions because there are not obvious ways to pass values from **html** code through functions (e.g. as day week, database, current date, ...):

| Variable                        | Meaning                       |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| global_id                       | General and unique            |
|                                 | identification of any table   |
|                                 | ${ m as\ students}$           |
|                                 | or groups $^a$                |
| table_global                    | students, groups table        |
| global_id_group                 | Identification of a group     |
| global_id_student               | Identification of a student   |
| global_id_activity              | Identification of an activity |
| global_max_activities           | Number of activities          |
| global_no_groups                | Number of groups              |
| global_week_day                 | Number of week day $(0-6)$    |
| global_db                       | Database pointer              |
| global_session                  | Selected session              |
| global_actual_date              | Current date                  |
| global_reports_date             | Date for reports              |
| global_is_new                   | Whether activity is new       |
| global_exist                    | if exist current record       |
| STATE_NONE                      | Default Student state         |
| STATE_ABSENCE                   | Truancy                       |
| STATE_UNPUNCTUAL                | ${ m Unpunctuality}$          |
| STATE_EXCUSED                   | Excused unattendance          |
| STATE_BEHAVIOR                  | Bad behaviour                 |
| awill be depresented            | _                             |
| <sup>a</sup> will be deprecated |                               |

Several approaches have been considered, a lot of tiny, one function equals one simple task, but code were growing in complexity, became very difficult to read, maintain and pass variables to them. Other perspective was to write only several complete functions which carry all (or almost all) the work. From this point of view functions become longer, (up to a hundred of lines of code) but easier to test and follow.

| Name                                    | Task   |                |
|---|--|----------------|
| errorCB()                               | Error handler  |                |
| successCB()                             | Success handler  |                |
| loadAllStudents()                       | Setting $\rightarrow$ List all students  |                |
| queryAllStudentsDB()                    | Ü  |                |
| queryAllStudentsSuccess()               |  |                |
| loadStudent()                           | Setting $\rightarrow$ List all students $\rightarrow$ Fill Students page   |                |
| queryStudentSuccess()                   |  |                |
| queryStudentDB()                        |  |                |
| loadNewStudent()                        | Setting $\rightarrow$ List all students $\rightarrow$ New Student  |                |
| queryNewStudentDB()                     |  |                |
| loadStudents()                          | Delete Student $\rightarrow$ List all students   |                |
| queryStudentsDB()                       |  |                |
| queryStudentsSuccess()                  |  |                |
| loadStudentsByGroup()                   | Setting $\rightarrow$ Groups $\rightarrow$ List Students   |                |
| loadSchedule()                          | Main Window $\rightarrow$ Load Daily Schedule  |                |
| querySchedulePerDayDB()                 |  |                |
| queryScheduleSuccess()                  |  |                |
| reportAttendanceDB()                    | Reports $\rightarrow$ Attendance $\rightarrow$ Group   |                |
| queryReportAttendanceDB()               | response / invertagines / Greap  |                |
| queryReportAttendanceSuccess()          |  |                |
| loadGroupsAssessment()                  | Report $\rightarrow$ Assessment $\rightarrow$ Group  |                |
| loadStudentsAssessment()                | Report $\rightarrow$ Assessment $\rightarrow$ Students <sup>a</sup>  |                |
| loadStudentAttendance()                 | Main Window → Load Daily Schedule  |                |
| iouus vuusimiitionuunise()              | $\rightarrow$ Groups (Default: Attendance)   |                |
| queryStudentsAttendanceDB()             | 7 Groups (Belaute. Treendance)   |                |
| queryStudentsAttendanceSuccess()        |  |                |
| fillSelectStudent()                     |  |                |
| Peers ()                                | Activities auxiliar object   |                |
| queryLoadAllActivitiesDB()              | Settings -> Show Activities (to be updated)  |                |
| loadAllActivities()                     | Settings -> Show Activities (to be updated)  |                |
| loadActivity( $)$                       | Settings -> List Activities -> Load activity i   | <br> formation |
| updateActivity( )                       | Settings -> List Activities -> Load activity in Settings -> Activities -> List-> Load activity in Settings -> Activities - |                |
| insertNewGroup()                        | Insert Group   | / Opua         |
| updateGroup()                           | Update Group   |                |
| deleteGroup()                           | Delete Group   |                |
| loadGroup()                             | Load one group   |                |
| queryAllGroupsDB()                      | List all groups  |                |
| loadAllGroups()                         | List all groups  |                |
| insertNewStudent()                      | Settings -> Insert new Student   |                |
| querySaveStudentDB()                    | Settings -> Insert new Student Settings -> Update Student  |                |
| - · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | bettings -/ Opdate bitudent  |                |
| saveStudent()                           | Sattings > Dalata Student  |                |
| deleteStudent()                         | Settings -> Delete Student   |                |
| insertStudentStateL()                   | Settings -> Insert New Student   |                |
| $updateStudentStateL(\ )$               | Settings -> Update Student   |                |

|   | List of Functions (2): database.js |   |       |  |  |
|---|------------------------------------|---|-------|--|--|
| , | Name                               | Task  | Group |  |  |
|   | stateCheck( )                      |   |       |  |  |
|   | $updateStudentState(\ )$           |   |       |  |  |
|   | $updateActivitiesGroup(\ )$        | Update Activities for each group            |       |  |  |
|   | $insertActivitiesGroup(\ )$        | Update Activities for each group            |       |  |  |
|   | $insertNewActivity(\ )$            | Settings -> Activities -> New               |       |  |  |
|   | $loadGroupsActivitiesEdit(\ )$     | Settings -> Activities -> New (List groups) |       |  |  |
|   | $fillSelectStudentAssessment(\ )$  | Assessment -> Student -> List options       |       |  |  |
|   | $loadGroupAssessment(\ )$          | Assessment -> Load group information        |       |  |  |
|   | listStudentsByGroupAssessment()    | Assessment. List Students, load data from D | В     |  |  |
|   | refreshGroupAssessment()           | 'ID.  |       |  |  |
|   | updateStudentAssessmentL()         | Update Student Assessment                   |       |  |  |
|   | insertStudentAssessmentL()         | Insert Student Assessment                   |       |  |  |
|   | on Change Student Assessment ()    | Select Update or Insert                     |       |  |  |
|   | queryListMaxActivities()           | List Number of activities                   |       |  |  |
|   | $listMaxActivities(\ )$            | List number of activities                   |       |  |  |
|   | $deleteRawRecord(\ )$              | Delete any row from any table               |       |  |  |
|   | query Groups Attendance DB()       | Reports -> Attendance -> List groups        |       |  |  |
|   | load Groups Attendance ()          | Reports -> Attendance -> List groups        |       |  |  |

### VERIFICAR '

#### 2.3.4 Tools

Tools involved were Eclipse IDE (with plug-ins) and Android Virtual Manager (AVM) on Debian GNU/Linux Wheezy. When a new functionality was developed, application was tested on AVM, if it worked, source code was polished, applicable was tested again, if it was satisfactory a new change was committed into git repository. From time to time application was downloaded from git repository into a real hardware and tested.

```
Main Page
      <div data-role="header" data-add-back-btn="true" data-theme="a">
      <div data-role="content" data-theme="a">
                  <div data-role="fieldcontain">
                      <label for="date" >Date:</label>
                  <input id="daily\_date\_scroller"</pre>
                     name="daily\_date\_scroller" />
                  <a href="#" data-role='button'
                    data-icon='info' data-iconpos='notext'
                    onClick="help('date');">Help</a>
                  <a href="#" data-role="button"
                    data-icon="arrow-r" data-iconpos="notext"
                    onclick="open\_daily\_page() " >Go</a>
                  <a href="#" onClick="onGeneralFile()"
                  data-role="button" data-icon="star"
                  data-theme="a" > File</a>
                  <a href="#" onClick="onGeneralListReports();"</pre>
                  data-role="button" data-icon="grid"
                  data-theme="a" >Reports</a>
                  <a href="#" onClick="onGeneralListSettings();"</pre>
                  data-role="button" data-icon="gear"
                  data-theme="a" >Settings</a>
      <div data-role="footer" class="footer-docs" data-theme="a">
               style="text-align:center;" id="teachers\_name">
```

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#### 2.4 Work plan

Several problems were faced: Eclipse environment: A stable, reliable and up-to-date IDE, with several plug-ins is needed. Download vanilla Eclipse Juno from its web-site is chosen because it is more stable, reliable, compatible with newer versions. Aptana Javascript plugin was chosen because Aptana allows source code auto-completion in JQuery. PhoneGap and Android incompatibilities. Android 2.3.3 requires JQuery-1.8.1 and does not work on higher versions. Error handlers. I have had several problems with tx.executeSql(...) function, it confused me with db.transaction(...): tx.executeSql(sql, [parameters], successHandler, errorHandler) and db.transaction(queryFunction, errorHandler, successHandler) have up to four and three parameters respectively, only first one is mandatory. I rather use success and error handlers for tx.executeSql function, atomic error control could be better choice. Passing variables to functions: Only if another solution is not known or feasible, global variables are used: named after global\_, and in block capitals. Deadline. Development was delayed because I have no enough spare time and above problems were time costly.

#### State-of-art solutions

Only an open source application was found for study, Siestta, nevertheless there are a lot of educational software (Sixa2, Unisoft3) but they are privative, Microsoft Windows freeware or both (SAS académico4). Siestta was evaluated. Technically it is an GPL'ed old style PHP-based web application with Ajax, an interactive editor, fckeditor and fpdf to generate reports. From user point-of-view there are online documentation5. This application includes management of students, attendance, marks, tasks, incidents, general queries, letters to parents, interviews with parents, messages, appointments, exams and more. Several screen-shots were taken and will be reused in current application:

#### 3.1 Siestta

This application (Siestta) are also available for PDAs, it could be a valid solution but it is server-side with outdated technologies. Data structure from Siestta is standard and fully functional, and it could be partially reused by EduXes. Source code are also shown: calendario.php. It shows us a PHP application which uses sessions variables and is not Model-View-Controller oriented.

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```
<?php
session_start();
require('config.php');
require('idioma/'.$idioma.'');</pre>
```

```
include('funciones_calendario.php');
$docente = $_SESSION['usuario_sesion'];
//recogemos variables
$mes_actual = $_POST['mes'];
$anyo_actual = $_POST['anyo'];
if($mes_actual || $anyo_actual) {
include('funciones.php');
conecta();
}
//si es la primera vez que entramos, cargamos la fecha actual
if(!isset($mes_actual)) $mes_actual = date('m');
if(!isset($anyo_actual)) $anyo_actual = date('Y');
//presentamos ahora el calendario del mes actual o cargado
//tabla con nombre mes y año y las flechas para navegar
echo '
<br />
<a href="#" onclick="navegaMes(\'', $mes_actual.'\',\'', $anyo_actual.</pre>
'\',\'menos\')" title="'.$id_anterior.'"><img src="imgs/anterior_peq.png"
class="alin_bajo" alt="'.$id_anterior.'" /></a>
';
$nombre_mes = numero_mes_a_nombre($mes_actual);
```

Develop database structure: tables and relationships. Data base structure looks like Illustration 5: EduXes Database structure

#### 3.2 Sixa

#### 3.3 Other Android applications

#### 3.3.1 Grade Book

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.gradebook.academics Description Now teachers can manage their students grades directly on their Android device! Key Features:



Figure 3.1: Grade Book

-No need to sync two separate grade books! Use one primary grade book on Google Spreadsheets -Email student grades with the click of a button -Pin-number to protect your grade books if your phone is lost Instructions at website keywords: gradebook, grading, grades, grading tools, grade, grade tools Updated: July 7, 2011 Current Version: 1.07 Price 4 €

#### 3.3.2 Attendance

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.academics.attendance Attendance

A great way to take attendance. Put your student list in a Google Spreadsheet, and this app takes care of the rest. There is no need to enter total absences into a spreadsheet at the end of the semester because all absences/tardies are calculated in your google spreadsheet each day you take attendance.

 $HOW\text{-}TO\ on\ website:\ http://androidforacademics.com/2010/09/attendance-instruction-manual/}$ 

Keywords: attendance Price: Free

#### 3.3.3 Teacher Organizer

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.sorokinkirill.teacherorganizer Grade-book and attendance, notes, schedule a teacher (high school teacher)

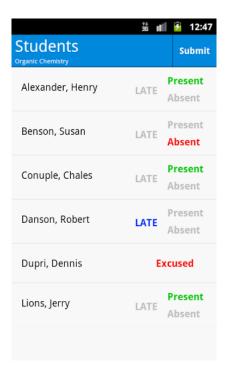


Figure 3.2: Attendance

Unified information resource teacher developed within diploma projects.

Implemented the following functionality: 1. functional log attendance and log evaluations point system of evaluation, while allowing classes to celebrate and stand missing the mark; 1.1. compilation of the magazine is "on the fly", depending on the selected students; 1.2. selection of students by selecting a training group, not the individual student; 1.3. Log open it is possible to select more than one group of students;

- 2. entering information about your child and watching it like when viewing the log evaluations or visits, and without the need to open the log;
- 3. notebook; 3.1. notebook allows you to store notes, view, and edit; 3.2. a system for cataloging notes for quick search; 3.3. The possibility of entering one note in more than one subject group;
- 4. schedule a private teacher; 4.1. it is possible to view the schedule for the next semester as up to now, and after; 4.2. the system can generate the schedule for a few weeks in advance, if it is repeated; 4.3. supports two-week schedule (odd and even weeks).

Home Page: http://4pda.ru/forum/index.php?showtopic=345457&st=80 Program in Russian

Price: Free This seems to be very professional.

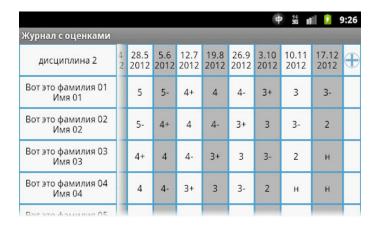


Figure 3.3: Teacher Organizer

#### 3.3.4 Teacher Aide

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id = com.glen.apps. Teacher Aide Pro Literature (Com. 1998) + (Com. 1

This is a free DEMO version of the Teacher Aide Pro app. The app allows teachers to take attendance and record grades on their phone or tablet. The main features are listed below.

The Lite version only allows the user to keep data for 5 students per class - otherwise all functionality is present so the user can truly test out the app before purchasing the PRO version

Features - default values set to Present for fast attendance - import student names via CSV file - export data via CSV generated file send via email or to Dropbox (THE CLOUD) - 1-click text to students/parents for tardy/absent students and missing assignments. - 1-click Random student generator (no more popsicle sticks) - Grading interface to allow recording of assignments using Yes/No/Missing, Points, Letter Grades, Percent. - Generate PDF file for attendance and grade reports. - Print reports directly to Google Cloud Printer from app.

New Features added all the time.

Explanation for some Permissions SMS-Allows user to send bulk text message to parents and students CALL Phone - Call parents/student right from the App INTERNET - Send bulk email to parents/students from app without having to confirm 1 at a time READ CONTACTS - Allows the user to save or load student/parent contacts from the device contact list. Your contact data is not read FOR ANY OTHER REASON, NOR TRANSMITTED OVER THE INTERNET.

I am a high school science teacher in the San Francisco Bay area. Feedback or to inpocketsolution@gmail.com



Figure 3.4: Teacher Aide

Keywords: Attendance, Teacher, School, Roster, SIS, Gradebook, grades, TA, Teacher assistant, professor, coaches, team, sport, grading, gradebook, gradebook, schoolloop

Excellent but not free.

Basándose en artículos, libros, etc. que se os haya facilitado y de otros que estiméis oportuno, se hablará de:

#### 3.4 Descripción del problema

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# 3.5 Descripción de los trabajos anteriores que se han dedicado a resolverlo

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## Objetivo (5%)

4.1 Descripción, en un objetivo general, de la finalidad del proyecto.

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4.2 Descripción de objetivos parciales que se necesitan cubrir para llegar al objetivo final

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4.3 Descripción de alto nivel de las etapas que sigues en el desarrollo

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## Descripción Informática (20-35%)

Para ello describirás:

- 5.1 La base de datos coleccionada (si tiene sentido).
  5.2 Los algoritmos para el desarrollo de la solución
  ...
  5.3 qué quieres resolver
  ...
  5.4 cómo lo vas a hacer
- 5.5 herramientas conceptuales necesarias

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#### 5.6 Tools

These are several tools used to build these documentation:

- Sqlfairy. Tranforms SQL language into a image in png format.
- LaTeXila 2.7.0 to write this document. 1

- Gimp 2.8.2 to get screen-shots.
- $\bullet$  GNU/Debian Wheezy tools October 2012 .

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#### Results

Application is evolving from list, edit students and groups, to its final goals. These objectives were fulfilled:

#### 6.1 Objectives completed

- Access to any workday, any group and student.
- Management of attendance and misbehaviour of each student. The students information is still hard-coded into source files.

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#### 6.2 Technical details

#### 6.3 Further objectives

- Links to student and group management. These pages were done but links are not missing into main application window.
- There are several objectives not fulfilled yet, but I am on the way to get those done, those are, in priority order:
- Data visualization. Student attendance and misbehaviour have to be shown in table-like window.
- Test into real hardware. EduXes.apk has to be copied into mobile phone.
- Activities evaluation per student. A window to display activities marks and final mark.

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• Timetable management. A window to manage groups timetable. When a group has class with this teacher.

• Server synchronization with a custom application or

These objectives were not fulfilled because time and skills lack.

En este apartado deberán quedar reflejados los experimentos realizados. Para ello se mostrarán:

# 6.4 Resultados en forma de tablas, gráficas e imágenes donde se describa cuantitativa y cualitativamente el funcionamiento de la aplicación

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# 6.5 Análisis crítico de los resultados con el objetivo de decidir si el sistema implementado es válido

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assets/www/remove.html
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| html       | 28   | 1       | 3.4%      | 8     | 37    | remove.html   |

## Conclusiones y trabajos futuros (5%)

Resumen de los logros principales conseguidos, destacando:

#### 7.1 Implementación

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#### 7.2 Resultados

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En futuros trabajos, a partir de una crítica constructiva del trabajo realizado, plantear mejoras y extensiones del mismo.

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Lo relativo al anexo 1 ...

Ejemplos de tratamiento de texto:

Probamos una cita [?]

Citamos un libro[?]

Probamos a poner una nota al pié<sup>1</sup>

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