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Chapter 1: Introduction

1.1. Background

In the era of technology creation and innovation, projects, problems, and research ideas are being promoted to advance improving quality of life or inquire compelling solutions. The final year in Computer Science, COMP6013 – Computing Project, has assigned a task to investigate, and document the process involving a study of a solution to any practical problem. With the intention of the solution is represented to be a culmination of knowledge gained through the course. In general, applications, programs, systems, or solutions are engineered or developed as a product of these problems. The timeline and the methodologies of the process must be achieved using high quality standards and documented as if it could be reimagined.

Understanding how to solve this problem calls for a tactical method to encompass the problem with a highly populated demographic feature by developing and designing for a product that everyone has. Everyone, now in this century will have a smartphone in their pockets. This highly promotes creating and innovating mobile applications as everyone will be able to use the product and access it anywhere.

Next, an issue that is concerned in this project and is discussed immediately, money. The world runs on money, and everyone needs money. To expand on this, money, economics and how to generate revenue are concepts everyone should understand naturally, and they are applicable real-world skills. The way of understanding and teaching business and economics is tough especially when the studies and education is based through learning theories and applying case studies. In contrast, using practical real-world applications is an effective way to convey how assets and capital are affected.

The project that I will be developing for this solution will be my take and version of a classic videogame called 'Lemonade Stand' (Wikipedia, 2021). The game is defined as a Business Simulation game and involves a player purchasing lemonade stock: sugar, lemons, water; then moves into a selling state where the player sells lemonade using their stock and recipe. Depending on the state of the day such as the weather or temperature, sales and demand of lemonade will

fluctuate, and the player will have varying profits or losses per day. The first commercial 'Lemonade Stand' game was developed in 1973 by Bob Jamison of the Minnesota Educational Computing Consortium which was developed for the Apple I and ported to the Apple II. In general, the objective of the game is to generate profits and upgrade the virtual assets within the game. For instance, a player may be saving up to buy higher quality lemons or a nicer lemonade stall. This version of 'Lemonade Stand' aims to promote capitalistic objectives such as making as much money as possible or creating the best type of lemonade that will generate the most revenue. Furthermore, the game will be multiplayer based enabling competition between players and allowing them to trade.

Introducing the concept of trading opens the idea of a virtual economy. Where players exchange virtual goods in a virtual environment. Buying an economy-based game will require an understand of economics and how it can be applied to this application. The main four aspects of economics involve: scarcity, supply & demand, cost, benefits & incentives. In the multiplayer game 'Lemonade Stand', creating a scarcity of the main commodities will allow the virtual economy to exist as it creates a flow of supply and demand for the available commodity stock. The game will be designed for players to create demand for other players commodities and items. Some players may have a surplus of goods that will create a market of trading and an economy amongst themselves. To build on this, a feature of the game could include different types of lemons create competing commodities with different demands. For example, a special 'Alien lemon' will introduce 'Alien customers' that will pay in an 'Alien currency'. Furthermore, to get a unique lemon will require a system of lemon breeding, where 'lemon a' + 'lemon b' may generate an 'Alien lemon' or any other unique lemon. This project involves several interesting topics as it entertains the idea of a generic mobile game with a unique multiplayer economy feature.

1.2. Aim

The aim in this project is to improve the issues of money mentioned. The project will involve teaching and applying business and economic theory throughout the game. Targeting a large demographic with time to learn and provide them with the ability to play with a virtual economy. As a result, the idea requires to develop a

mobile application game that involves a multiplayer implementation so that the players can create the virtual economy based on lemons and lemonade.

1.3. Measurable Objectives

The 'Measurable Objectives' table showcases the measurable objectives found in the project. Each object is numbered, given a summary and when it is due. This will provide an overview of how the project is to be completed and the timeline of the task completion due dates.

Measure Objectives		
Objective	Task and Deliverable(s)	Goal & Due date(s)
Obj. 1.1	Complete a full background review and analysis of existing/similar products.	End of Semester 1, Week 4.
Obj. 1.2	Review ethics and legal aspects of developing this project.	
Obj. 1.3	Design a 'Project Proposal' form of intentions.	
Obj. 2.1	Immediate development of the product.	Start of Semester 1, Week 5.
Obj. 2.2	Establish UML planning, and artefact creation.	
Obj. 2.3	Review and analyse formal due dates to complete the project.	Start of Semester 1, Week 6.
Obj. 3.1	Develop a minimum viable product application.	End of Semester 1, Week 11.
Obj. 3.2	Design a 'Progress Report' for intentions and reference.	End of Semester 1, Week 12.

Obj. 3.3	Develop servers and a database for the application.	Start of Semester 2, Week 2.
Obj. 3.4	Design and develop an algorithm for the virtual economy.	
Obj. 3.5	Virtual economy algorithm implementation in application and database servers.	End of Semester 2, Week 3.
Obj. 4.1	Begin writing Dissertation.	
Obj. 4.2	Iterate features, innovate on the product, and submit a beta.	Start of Semester 2, Week 4.
Obj. 5.1	Final test and evaluation.	
Obj. 6.1	Release, plans for release and maintenance.	End of Semester 2, Week 7.
Obj. 7.1	Final Report & Present the work.	End of Semester 2 Week 8.

1.4. Product Overview

The product overview of the project has been performed using Nesta (Nesta, 2021). Nesta is an innovation foundation charity that develops techniques and exercises that efficiently and rapidly identify plans for the project and tries to stretch it into a different identity. Nesta uses four key approaches before developing and designing a project: evidence planning, fast idea generation, problem definition and understanding the project's theory of change.

Nesta Evidence Planning:
Identifies what the aim of the project is and defines why it has value.

Key Focus of the 'Lemonade Stand' Project:

- Profit? Generally, the method is obvious once the idea has manifested.
- Develop a working and reliable application of a 'Lemonade Stand' game.
- A working and reliable virtual economy found within the game.

Enhance: What does 'Lemonade Stand' bring new value to?	**Replace:** What makes 'Lemonade Stand' less desirable?	**Re-use:** What does 'Lemonade Stand' build upon?	**Limit:** What could be the negative effect when pushed to extremes?
It provides people with a way to play with a virtual economy to be able to gain a sense of accomplishment and learning.	When a player can pay real money to enhance their gameplay or there are incentives to do so.	Other games with virtual economies; Cryptocurrency, virtual coin-breeding; Mobile application development.	Legal and ethical issues when real money is involved.

Nesta Fast Idea Generator:
A viable method of developing new ideas by thinking differently and opening new perspectives. Some of these methods and ideas will not be used but are effective in providing a better grasp on what this project could be.

Inversion: Turn common practice upside down.	Product placement found within a game is highly beneficial if it is done well and not seen as 'selling out'.
Extension: Extend the offer.	Players cannot directly purchase lemonade stock but trade a bond for in-game currency – that will be used for purchases.
Differentiation: Segment the offer.	The game implements bonds into the game economy.
Addition: Add a new element.	The game will be open to allowing 'real-world trading' or a method to trade the game items for monetary value.
Subtraction: Take something away.	Players cannot trade between themselves and therefore will have no virtual economy.
Translation: Translate a practice associated with another field.	When creating a virtual economy to use techniques to define game rules that will keep the economy running translates to Politics and Economics policies.
Grafting: Graft on an element of practice from another field.	Players can define the policies that will run the game. Therefore, the player will have an influence in the development and design by requesting or proposing features.
Exaggeration: Push something to its most extreme expression.	Player-run policies and economy (Player-driven development and gameplay). Players must pay real money for lemons or in game currency.

Problem Definition: Defines the main problems by exploring underlying factors, which allows a greater overview understanding of the product.	
What is the key issue you are trying to address and why is it important?	This solution is aimed towards solving problems of lack of entertainment and having a potential ability to create a virtual economy. Teaching economics and running a business to understand assets and money. Applies to all real-world applications and is the basis of how our life works.

Who is it a problem for?	This solution to the problem is aimed towards people who want to learn more about economics in a practical way and people who want to play a virtual economy-based game. Therefore, it is important to design for both parties so that the target audience can invest their time into this game.
What social/cultural factors shape this problem?	Ethics of creating a virtual-based economy and the money that is involved with it. Game addiction and mobile-game addiction. Furthermore, not properly teaching economics in a practical fashion or having many virtual economies.
What evidence do you have that this is worth the investment?	Mobile app development is saturated but calls for niche apps. A large population for the target audience means that the investment will turn out to be worth it and potentially profitable.
Can you think of this problem in a different way? And can you reframe it?	Creating a project that involves multiple features of computer science to show evidence of developing a performing product. Open-source code that involves the process and discussion of building a mobile multiplayer economy game.

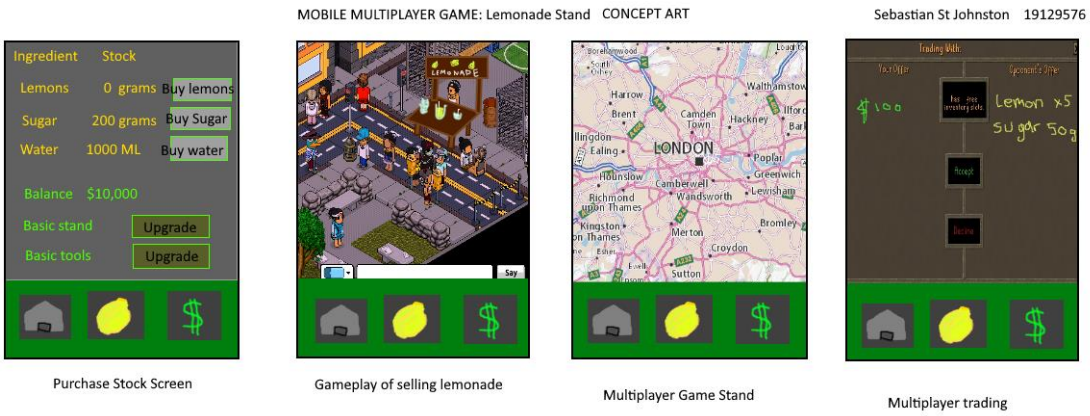
Theory of Change (Key assumptions): Involves the future and defining the goals of the project and how to achieve them.	
What is the problem you are trying to solve?	Teaching economics and business creating a virtual economy business simulation mobile application game.
Who is your key audience?	People with phones and have time to invest in a virtual economy business simulator game.
What is your entry point to reaching your audience?	In this case, having an android mobile phone with internet. The time to play the game and the willingness to have a basic understanding of the game and economics.
What is the measurable effect of your work?	If the 'Lemonade Stand' product produced meets the objectives and performs properly.
What are the wider benefits of your work?	Players may be able to earn virtual wealth in a game.
Measurable effect?	Performance in each feature implementation.
Wider benefits?	Working and running game economy.

What is the long-term change you see as your goal? (Stakeholders)	Further implementation of features for profits and maintenance. Release and port to PC, iOS. Developers and investors will create this goal into a reality. Create a brand and develop more games. Players gets to have more content for their game.

1.4.1. Scope

The product overview of the application will involve a mobile-based, multiplayer economy, game based on 'Lemonade Stand'. The game will feature a virtual economy developed by an algorithm that will establish a supply and demand for the different items and commodities found in the game. The application system will involve a database implementation to be able to have a personal account system and multiplayer gameplay and trading. The game will be built in Android Studio (Google, 2021), using Java. Figure 1 showcases the concept art designed for the lemonade stand game and displays the essential states found within the game.

Figure 1: Concept Art for Lemonade Stand



1.4.2. Audience

The target audience is aimed towards people who have time to invest into a simple game with very minimal input and time cost. These people enjoy long term 'grinding' (a term to describe long-term, repetitive gains) to earn benefits as they play the game and build their wealth. Furthermore, any person that wants to play a mobile application game and learn about virtual economies.

Chapter 2: Background Review

This chapter will aim to review a formal background description of the project and explain its relevant topics. It will compare other existing approaches to the project such as similar game genres, virtual market system implementations and methods to the core game elements. Furthermore, the Summary of Literature section will perform a literature review of all the relevant topics and how it will be applied to this development of the project.

2.1 Summary of Existing Approaches

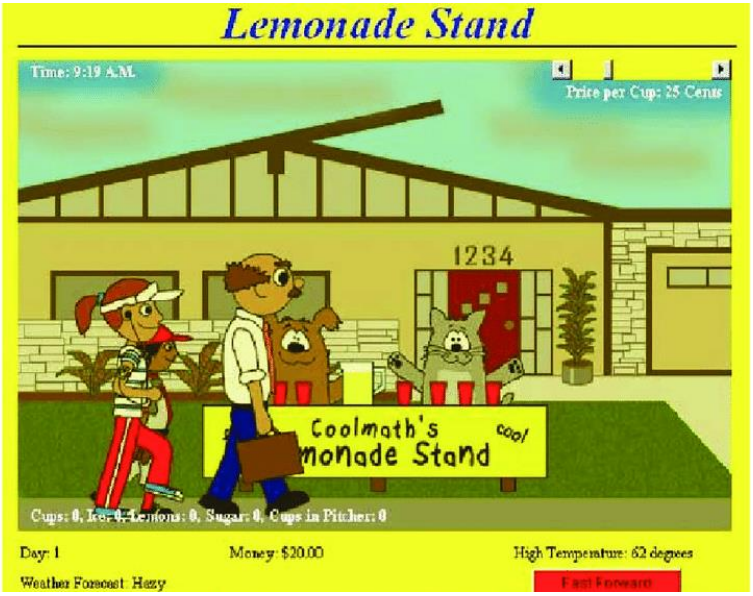
When creating a project, it is important to explore inspirations and state of the art solutions that already exist. The research documented will be essential and effective in helping to design and developing the final product. Being able to obtain the research would be achieved through a way of systematic searching. Systematic searching, defined as organising and performing the search process in a structured and pre-planned way. Comparing and critically analysing literature, software and papers that correspond to the main concepts in this project. Therefore, the search protocol must be defined precisely. Identifying a 'Table of Features' allows a clearer understanding of what is involved with the project.

Table of Features:	
1.	**Core 'Lemonade Stand' game systems**
1.a.	Recipe system – to change the recipe(s).
1.b.	Pricing system – to change the pricing.
1.c	Prep state – To start the game.
1.d	Sell state – To sell lemonade.
2.	**Player-account system**
2.a.	Register account system – to create an account.
2.b.	Secure encrypted account system – to secure player account and assets.
2.c.	Login account system – to allow it to work reliably and with a database.
3.	**Multiplayer game system**
3.a.	Choose rent place system – to choose a multiplayer rent space.
3.b.	See high scores system – to see all the players' high scores.

3.c.	Multiplayer sell state – to sell lemonade in the multiplayer state
4.	**Player-item commodity system**
5.	**Item-inventory management system**
5.a.	Item manipulation system – to breed different lemons and manage them.
6.	**Store-item stock system**
6.a.	Buy system – to buy different things from the shop.
6.b.	Item stock system – to have a stock timer system.
6.c.	Microtransactions system – to profit the game with real money.
7.	**Player to player market system**
7.a.	Buy offer system – to purchase items from other players on the market.
7.b.	Sell offer system to sell items to other players on the market.
7.c.	Player to player trading system – to trade with other players on the market.

There are games that already exist on the market and that are direct inspirations of this game. Firstly, the concept of 'Lemonade Stand' is a very common game that has seen many different interpretations over the decades of gaming development and how technology has evolved.

Figure 2: coolmathgames' Lemonade Stand



Shown in Figure 2, coolmathgames.com (Coolmathgames.com, 2021), a very popular practical Mathematics learning website, demonstrated their interpretations that are time-limited and very simple. However, the game features all the core

elements found within a 'Lemonade Stand' game; containing; an inventory state, stock purchasing state, recipe state, selling state, and profits state.

Other great interpretations of Lemonade Stand developed by Electronic Arts (EA) called, 'Lemonade Tycoon' (EA Mobile, 2002). This game's features were more advanced, designed very well and is more of the direction that will inspire how this interpretation of Lemonade Stand will turn out. The design and art of this game has a nice cliche design although it is very cluttered as information on the screen remained static and redundant after many playthroughs. Figures 3 and 4 display the essential and iconic game states found within the game.

Figure 3: EA's Lemonade Tycoon, Recipe & Pricing

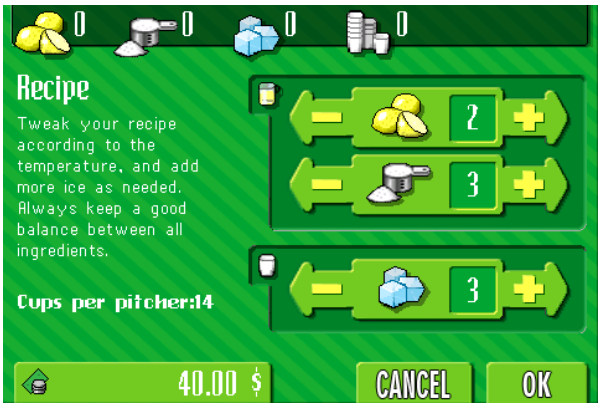


Figure 4: EA's Lemonade Tycoon, Selling

Other business simulation game interpretations such as 'Roller Coaster Tycoon' (Chris Sawyer Productions, 1999) or generic Café or Restaurant games. In these sorts of games, the business involved is swapped for a different real-world commodity. Although sometimes, in the case for 'RollerCoaster Tycoon', the gameplay is different, but the objective is the same. Figures 5 displays 'RollerCoaster Tycoon'. Figure 6 displays Armor Games', Coffee Shop game (Armor Games, 2007).

Figure 5: Popular Unique Business Simulation Interpretation, Roller Coaster

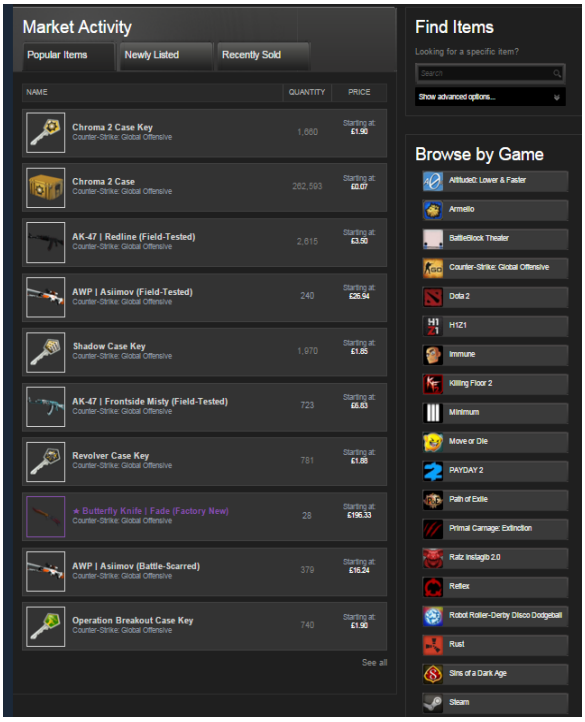
Figure 6: Café Krazy, Business Simulation

Games that feature virtual economies is a rare game genre to come by as normally, these games would be massive, multiplayer online (MMO) games and have very high scale production. One of the biggest inspirations is RuneScape (Jagex, 2001), which is one of the most popular virtual economies that is active to this day.

Figure 7: RuneScape Trading Interface

Furthermore, a whole system can embed a virtual economy within such as Steam (Valve, 2003). Steam is a video game digital distribution service by Valve and their games have unique, tradable virtual luxury items and people buy, sell and trade with these virtual items on the official steam community market or through a peer-to-peer trading system. These virtual items are considered to be 'Non-Fungible Tokens' which will be discussed next.

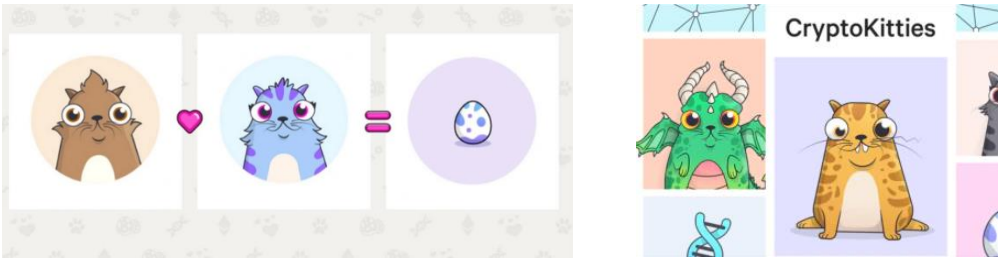
Figure 8: Steam Community Market



A widespread bandwagon has introduced 'Non-Fungible Tokens' or NFTs to the world which is a digital certificate of ownership and authenticity. This market for "NFTs have boomed in the 2020 climbing to a market cap worth ~$338 million from $41 million in 2018" (Wall Street Journal, 2021). However, there are claims against NFTs regarding whether the value assigned to the asset is worth what it is on the market. Fungibility is defined as the ability of an asset to be exchanged or substituted with similar assets of the same value (Wall Street Journal, 2021). Non-Fungible assets are opposite in that they are defined to be unique and may not as easily be substituted for the similar asset. An example in the real world could be an original piece of art where any copy or imitation does not retain the same value as

the only original. Cryptocurrency has been huge over the last decade. People, huge amounts of money and very influential companies have been involved with Crypto and born from it is 'CryptoKitties' (Dapper Labs, 2017). One of the first generation-based NFTs that breeds tokens into other tokens. This may inspire how the lemon token may retain a unique value based on the attributes of the unique attribute. The attribute is then able to be bred to create a more valuable token.

Figure 9: 'CryptoKitties' Breeding and Variations



2.2. Summary of Literature

There are several papers and discussions that are involved in relation to this project as the game genre has proved to have an impact in the world, a virtual economy within a business simulation game. This involves discussion of the concept of 'real-world-trading' and 'gold farming[1]'. Furthermore, the discussion involves correlating topics that are not normally related to mobile application development that causes the development to have a specific approach to its design, 'Mobile game addiction' and 'Designing for mobile game-based learning'. Furthermore, the ethics and laws behind any policies against this genre, 'Legal disputes and legislation policies. The search terms that were included when researching this project: Android, Java, Game development, Project Management, Java Database Server Implementation, Lemonade stand. Many of the sources of these papers and discussions are provided by scholar databases and research literature on from literature from the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE.org, 2021), Association of Computing Machinery (ACM.org, 2021), Social Science Research Network (SSRN.org, 2021). It is important to note that scope of technology during

[1] gold-farming - described as the practice of playing the game intensely to amass assets and wealth within the game's virtual currency or any other valuable items found in the game, where the player can trade or sell the item/currency for real money.

the time some of the papers discussing can be different as huge changes have been made over the last decades, however some points are relevant.

This project revolves around the genre of a business simulation and virtual economies so it is important to define the understanding so that we can discuss the impacts and how to create it. As discussed, the main economic aspects that will be discussed and relevant to this project are scarcity, supply & demand, cost, benefits & incentives (Beattie, 2021). Scarcity is defined as to the effect of being in short supply or shortage. This feature will directly be implemented by limiting how much available lemonade stock is in the game and therefore other players will want stock from other players which directly creates the supply and demand. Some players may have an abundance of the basic lemon at a very cheap price and players may purchase or trade from them as it is cheaper and may return higher profits, which is what benefits & incentives are about.

In business simulations, the stock is generally unlimited as there is no other players to compete with and the game is not designed in that way. By making the stock scarce, the virtual economy can exist. The paper, 'On Virtual Economies' discusses that developers when a virtual economy is established, should and must use government economic policies to their game economy so that it can retain its game value without being over-inflated as the game lifetime goes on. "And in cyberspace, the coding authority does indeed have the power to create and destroy any good, at virtually zero cost" (Castronova, 2002. p4). Government intervention, in economics, are actions taken by the government to regulate or manage the decisions in an economy about social and economic matters. This may include taxing the people or giving subsidies to different sectors to help benefit the economy as a whole. In this scope of the project, certain policies that have already been implemented to retrain from inflation is the feature of 'Renting' a space in the multiplayer area. This may become increasing competitive and costly and may define its own floors. Other features that may be included is taxes or (when changing server) certain stock becomes more scarce and therefore more demanding and costly in that server market. This is to simulate how moving from different countries causes different ingredients to be available at a time and sometimes more expensive. In terms of business, once the cost is increased, the profit may be decreased significantly. This implementation might be imperative to ensure it is reliable and works because, it may be the determining factor if the game were to be

successful and released. Otherwise, it causes players to reach the wealth limit very easily and therefore limiting what potential the game would have as the worth of the game items may lose its value. Castronova describes how value in a game retains a worth, "Given the choice between a puzzle that is midly challenging (putting together a 100-piece puzzle) and one that is not (put together a two-piece puzzle) …" (Castronova, 2002. p17), and why the game exists where if this game is too easy to reach the wealth limit, there is no fun and there would be no willingness to play the game at all.

Moreover, on virtual economies, it is important to discuss the aspect of selling the stock and how the player makes the money. 'Development Informatics' (Heeks, 2008) uncovers the dramatic and controversial impact of the externalities of virtual economies, being the concept of 'gold-farming'. Gold-farming is defined as the practice of playing the game intensely to amass assets and wealth within the game's virtual currency or any other valuable items found in the game, where the player can trade or sell the item/currency for real money (Oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com, 2021). Th earliest case of a gold farming example was during the 1987 where cash payments were made for virtual items in a text-based basic graphics multi-user dungeon game (Heeks 2008). The issue regarding this practice is for the users that end up spending unethical number of hours in order to make a wage and it is seen as immoral by the developers and any stakeholders to the 'farmer'. It has become a real-world issue where a voice in the population of Venezuela have been playing RuneScape to survive in such a terrible and corrupt economy (Ombler, 2020).

'Design User Experience for Mobile Game-Based Learning' (Shiratuddin and Zaibon, 2011), layouts the fundamental design for mobile-based learning. The theories to approach the most efficient way of teaching mobile-based learning and the methods to apply them. This paper will be effective when applying in requirements modelling as it describes the needs and how the design of the application should be. Although, many of the features it uses to describes on how to the user focused and engaged. It also discusses that it should work with the pleasure reward system and combine that with confirming with the user are learning. It also discusses that research on this learning and design is limited.

'Computers in Human Behaviour' (Balakrishnan and Griffiths, 2018), is a paper on Mobile phone addiction and addictive design. It discusses the methods on how mobile phone game applications use addictive design to generate profits and

keep you playing. It uses the human reward system by awarding pointless digital points for keeping virtual tasks. This paper is an important discussion in today aspect of mobile phone application design as designing for and against these features difficult approaches. It calls upon ethics, the affects loyalty between the customer and business. This study will help evaluating the design methods used to make the application's profits, 'fun' and manipulative techniques. It slightly goes against how learning-based game is designed as keeping the user engaged may be interpreted as addictive features in games.

Chapter 3: Technical Progress

3.1. Technical Progress

The technical progress describes how the project has been developed since the project proposal. The progress will be described using UML methodology to show that designs have been abstracted and tested to provide the functionality of the project. Furthermore, screenshots of the demo of the project will visually describe how the designs have been implemented in code to produce a result. Over the course of the project, there have been several meetings with the supervisor to ensure that the path of the project is clear and well paved for a good outcome.

It will also test against the proposal of the project at which dates, and objectives have been achieved and updated for the future and will describe how the project is being managed and with the new schedule. Furthermore, it will prove that the project is on track and being developed.

3.1.1. State Transition Diagram

The State transition diagram is an effective method of communication how the 'Lemonade Stand' project will flow between each of its states to provide the different functionalities of the application. It describes each of the states that corresponds to the relevant container to easily describe what the functionality type of the states.

Figure 10: 'Lemonade Stand' State Transition Diagram

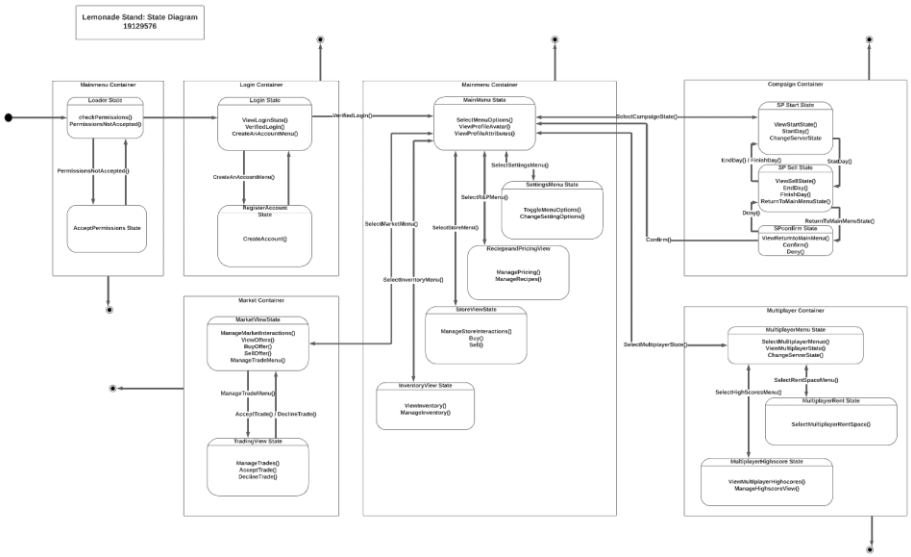


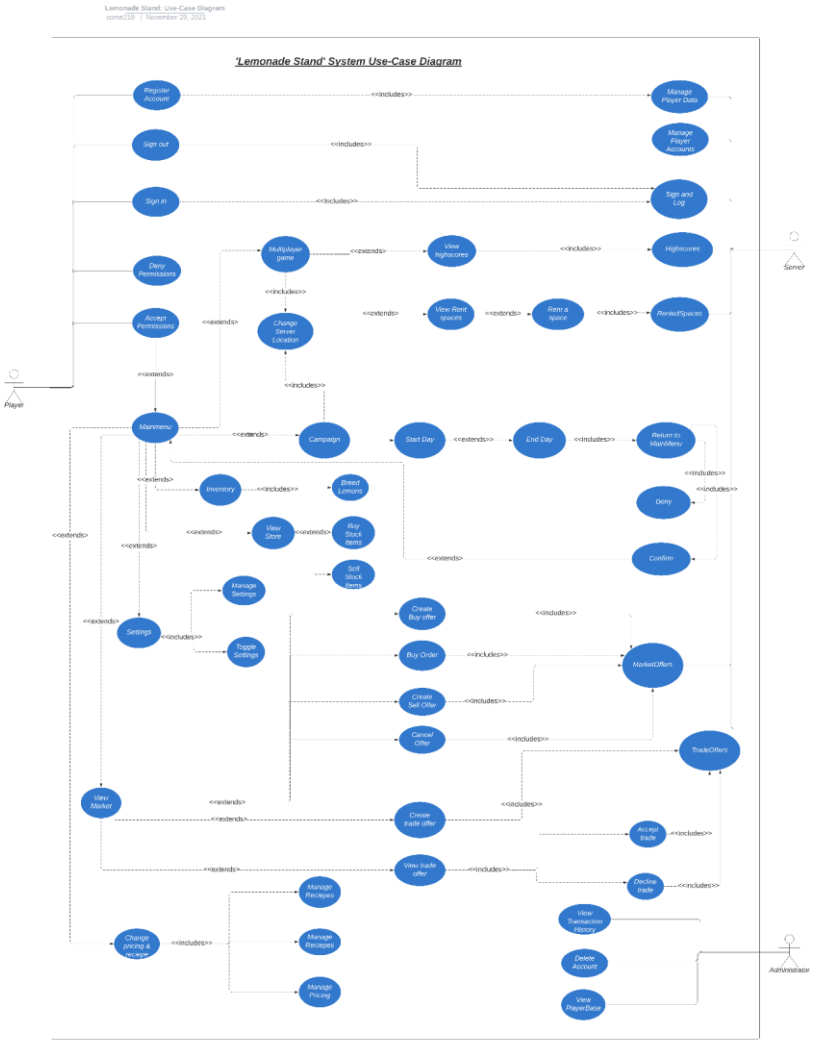
Figure 2 describes the 'Lemonade Stand' application system in the State Transition notation. It begins with entering a preloading container which aims to check if preliminary actions and permissions for the applications are done before entering the login container. In the 'Login Container' a user may login using their account details or register for an account. Once logged in, the user is in the 'Main menu Container' which allows the user to choose from different menus for different application operations. From this container, the user is able to read their account details to relay feedback that they have at logged into the correct account. This 'Mainmenu container' contains several states including: 'Settings state', 'RecipeandPricingView', 'StoreViewState', and 'Inventory State'. These states are elements of 'Lemonade Stand' that do not require their own identifying container as they may not connect to the multiplayer database to achieve the action.

Moreover, going into the 'Campaign Container' allows the user to play the core element of the game where they see their returns and sell lemonade. The 'Multiplayer Container' is where users are able to see other players in the game selling lemonade, the 'high scores' and other renting spots for the game. The 'Market Container' is where users able to trade and create buy and sell offers between other players.

3.1.2. Use-Case Diagram

The Use-Case Diagram is an effective method of defining what an actor can do in the system. In this iteration of the use-case diagram, there are 3 actors that can interact with the system. The 'Player' actor is the core actor that interacts with the system. It has several actions. The main use-case step begins with the 'Player' actor accepting the application permissions and logging in to use the main part of the system. Once logged in, the actor is able to interact with the mainmenu to bring the actor to the different features of the system, such as: the 'Campaign mode' or the 'Store'. The Server actor is a representation of what the database and sever can do for the 'Player' or the 'Administrator' actor when they interact with the system. The 'Administrator' actor is a system management actor that can view the inner details of a system or manage 'Player' actor accounts.

Figure 11: 'Lemonade Stand' Use-case Diagram



3.1.3. Structural Model (Class Diagram)

The Structural Model describes the Classes of the system and how they interact with each other. Each class also has their attributes and operations defined to allow a better view on what the class can achieve. The UML class diagram has been auto generated using Code Iris (Klewitz,2021), a plugin visualisation tool based in the Android Studio IDE. Although the presented Class diagram is to a high standard, it does provide the inheritance and usages of the different classes.

The Class diagram showcases how the 'GameObject' is being used by the different classes of the system. Next with inheritance, the diagram shows how each 'View' class is linked with the 'Activity' that uses it. The issue in this diagram is that none of the attributes or the methods of the Classes are shown, although they are ever-changing, they should be

presented. For the final report, a proper Class Diagram using proper UML techniques will be used. The Class Diagram generated by the plugin is shown here:

Figure 12: Code Iris Generated Class Diagram

3.1.4. Component Diagram

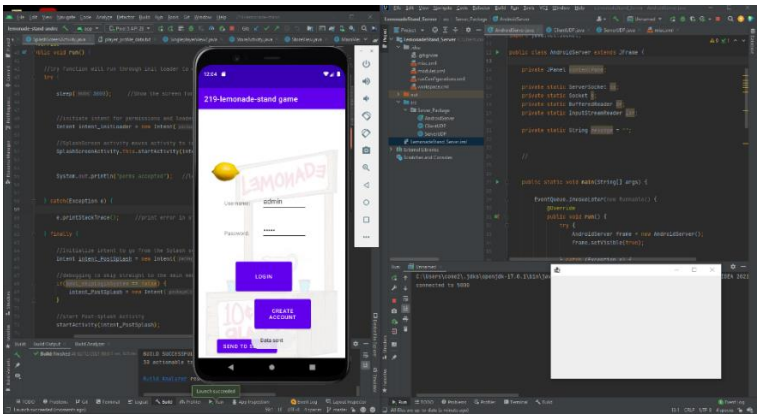
The Component diagram is an effective way of describing how all the systems will provide the functionality of the application. This will include how the application uses a specific component to send and receive data from the database and from other components within the subsystem. The following diagram is a package diagram that will be used to represent what the component diagram aims to achieve. As development for this task began to run out, designing the artefacts became a harder task to achieve but still assigned. Therefore, this diagram has been autogenerated using the plugin, Code Iris, so that at least the idea is represented, in hopes that in the later stage of development and presentation, the proper UML documents will be of a certain standard. The following Package Diagram is a good representation of seeing how different components use the 'GameObject' and how the other components are used together and flow:

Figure 13: Code Iris Generated Package Diagram

3.1.5. Screenshot Demo of the Project

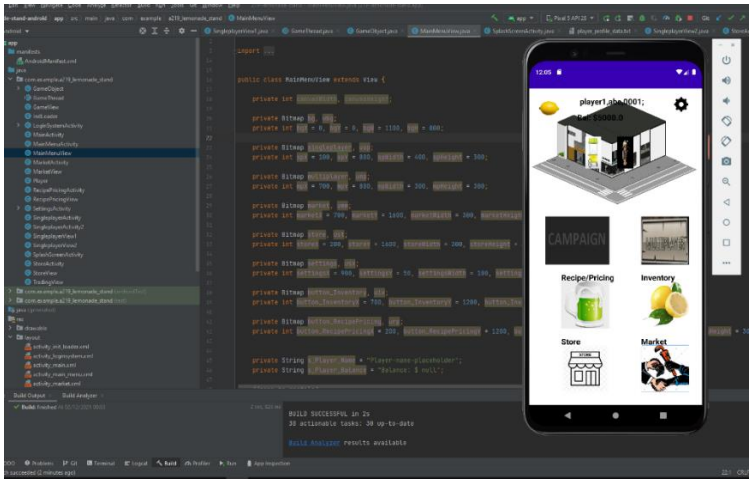
This section will describe what the project is attempting to achieve in the state. It will describe what function is does well, what needs improving and what features may be limited from developing further to limit time restraints.

1: Login System with Database Implementation



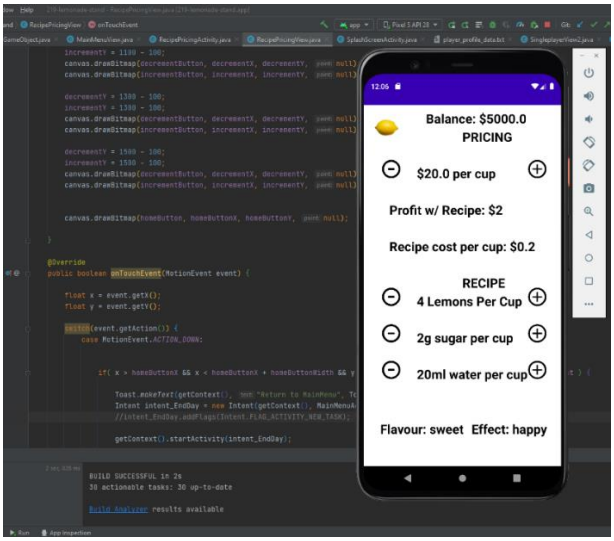
Full implementation of the server and the login system attempting to communicate. The login system works. The current state of how the server communicates to the application system is not working. The server system communication needs to be improved. Also, having the player-data saved in the databases of the server.

2: MainMenu System



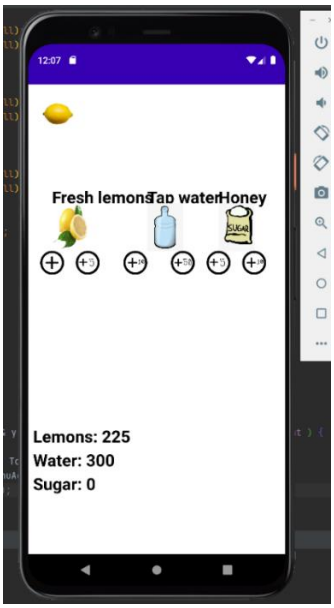
Main Menu show with working menu buttons that send the system to that corresponding state. Displays the player data and the layout and the graphics are well-enough designed. Proper front-end improvements and text using the player-data from the database. Multi-threading issues can occur.

3: Recipe & Pricing State

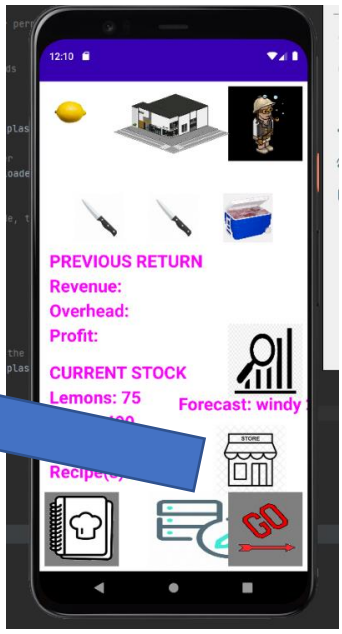


Layout and content is well designed. However, nothing is actually being changed. They are using placeholder values but do show what this system is meant to represent. The entire front-end could be improved but is not a priority. Immediate development that the values here will be parsed and writes to from the player-data database.

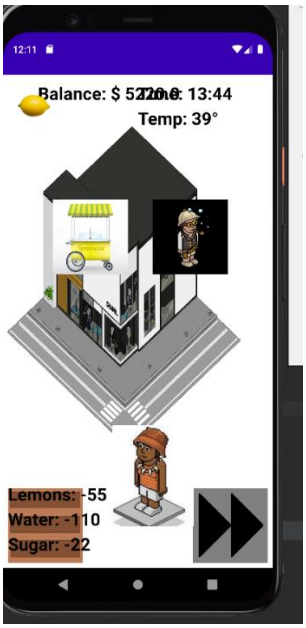
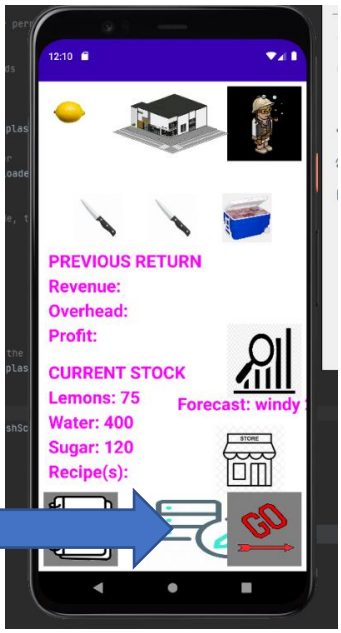
4: Store State



5: Prep State



Mechanism to go to purchase lemonade stock from the campaign, prep state. Currently not showing data from the returns or what has been sold but shows (unreliably) the current player stock. Able to purchase lemonade stock as well. The data from where the player has their stock must be written and parsed from the player-data file from the database rather than read from a local file and redefined in the runtime.

2: Sell State	*3: Prep State*
	

Sell state where the seller buys from the store when he touches the store or the seller. However, there is no proper spawning for the seller and he may purchase as many lemonade without checks to the stock or whether he has already purchased a lemonade. But the game technically works. Moreover, the stock and money balance values normally do parse. Finally, the implementation of allowing the user to switch between the two activities with the use of a button is reliably working.

3.2. Methodology

All tasks and processes in developing this project will require practicing heavy formal documentation, planning and designing for it. The timeline of the project and when it was being processed. The meetings will be planned and logged and the comments during the meeting. This will allow an understanding of the progression during the timeline and the next steps. Google Drive and main physical drives will hold the software artefacts, project source code, sprint plans, ethics forms, literature, and Unified Modelling Language documents. As will be mentioned, GitHub (Friedman, 2008) will be used to enable version control management which is a very important aspect in project management for software development.

3.2.1. Approach

The approach to smoothly developing this 'Lemonade Stand' application is done by applying high quality software engineering techniques to allow uncertainties in the project to be limited and known. This involves designing proper UML design artefacts that will define the requirements criteria to understand the scope and what the end-product will be. This project will aim to follow the methodologies of Agile software development as it ensures that the development of the project is acerated by being pushed gradually and flows naturally with priority-driven development. As mentioned in the 'Technical Progress' section, several UML artefacts have been build and designed where the requirements of the 'Lemonade Stand' application have been properly defined. While designing the documents and artefacts, constant development towards the artefact will be done to ensure that features are implemented on-time. Once development has reached a state of being a 'minimum viable product', the project can undergo testing to ensure that the project reaches the requirements of the UML blueprints. Afterwards, the project will go into evaluation and see if it can be deployed with increasing development and more feature implementations.

The process of following an agile development is understanding the process of a 'Sprint'. A 'Sprint' is a two-week development process where the project undergoes heavy analysis and evaluation on how to develop it further. This is achieved by using artefacts such as 'User-stories' to develop priority-driven tasks. Tasks that are allocated on to the backlog may also be determined through a feature-driven development where a certain core feature is developed such that the system works better or modularly. Generally, when building games, focusing on developing the core methods of the game rather than improving the application. These artefacts are found in the Google Drive Folder and will be implemented, to the standard, into the repository upon release/submission.

3.2.2. Technology

Developing this project will be achieved using Java, in Android Studio using Android APIs. The Java Database Connectivity will allow databases to interface with Java so that the multiplayer and player accounts functionality works.

The project will be developed on a Windows 10 (Microsoft, 2015) computer with a 7th generation i7 processor with a graphics card Nvidia GTX 1050, laptop version (Nvidia, 1993). The test development environment will be achieved on a 10th generation i7 Processor with Intel Iris Plus Graphics (Intel, 1968). The computer systems will be emulating an Android operating system environment to run the game application. The Android Emulator is running a virtual device, Pixel 5 API 28, with the Android 9.0 with 4 cores and 1.5 gigabytes of ram The server that will be used to run the database will require between 2 to 4 gigabyte of RAM and will not be intensive. The smartphone requirements will include any smartphone made within the recent 5 years but must be able to run Android 9.0 or later.

3.2.3. Version Control Management

Version control management is an important aspect when ensuring a safe and high-quality application development in any project. It begins with ensuring backups and version management of the project in all stages of development. This creates a clear understanding of the different repositories and the development timeline. Version control for this project will be maintained using GitHub (Friedman, 2008), a popular software and project management tool. GitHub will also manage the repositories of the source code to allow easy version control management and testing.Cloud storage and physical storage management is also very important. All artefacts and documents will be shared on a Google Drive (Google, 2012) folder and backed up to physical drives. This allows sharing documents between important project stakeholders and developers and the security that the project will not be lost.

3.3. Project Plan Update

Project management is formally understanding and defining how to achieve progress within the project. Conveying the objectives into small tasks, that needs to be completed for the objective to be achieved. It also allocates the efforts for the tasks and layouts the deadlines for the project. It achieves to convey what plans to be developed, what was originally planned and what has been completed. Potentially, it will also cover the event that a task is not completed on time.

3.3.1. Objectives Described as Activities:

Objective 1 - 2: Ethics forms & Project Proposal

A1.1	Background Reivew and Analysis of existing or similar approaches
A1.2	Review Ethics and legal aspects for this project.
A1.3	Develop Project Proposal.
A2.1	Prototyping the product.
A2.2	UML design, planning and development
A2.3	Review and reformat due dates to complete the project.

Objective 3: Designing & Development and Progress Report

A3.1	Develop a minimum viable product application.
A3.2	Design a 'Progress Report'.
A3.3	Develop Server code and attempt database implementation.
A3.4	Design and develop an implementation of database servers.
A3.5	Design State transition structure
A3.6	Design UML documents and artefacts
A3.7	Create Software Artefacts and User Stories
A3.8	Define formal dates, goals and back log.
A3.9	Submit a progress report

Objective 4: Product Post-development

A3.1	Create a greater-minimum viable product application.
A3.2	Design the interface of the Java code with the servers.
A3.3	Develop database code and implement it.
A3.4	Develop an algorithm for the virtual economy and implement it.
A3.5	Iterate features, innovate on the product.

A3.6	Create a shippable viable application or alpha.
A3.7	Start documenting the final report.

Objective 5: Testing Analysis and Evaluation

A4.1	Test the application and analyse.
A4.2	Iterate features or innovate the product
A4.3	Submit a beta or working product.
A4.4	Evaluate the progression and timeline.

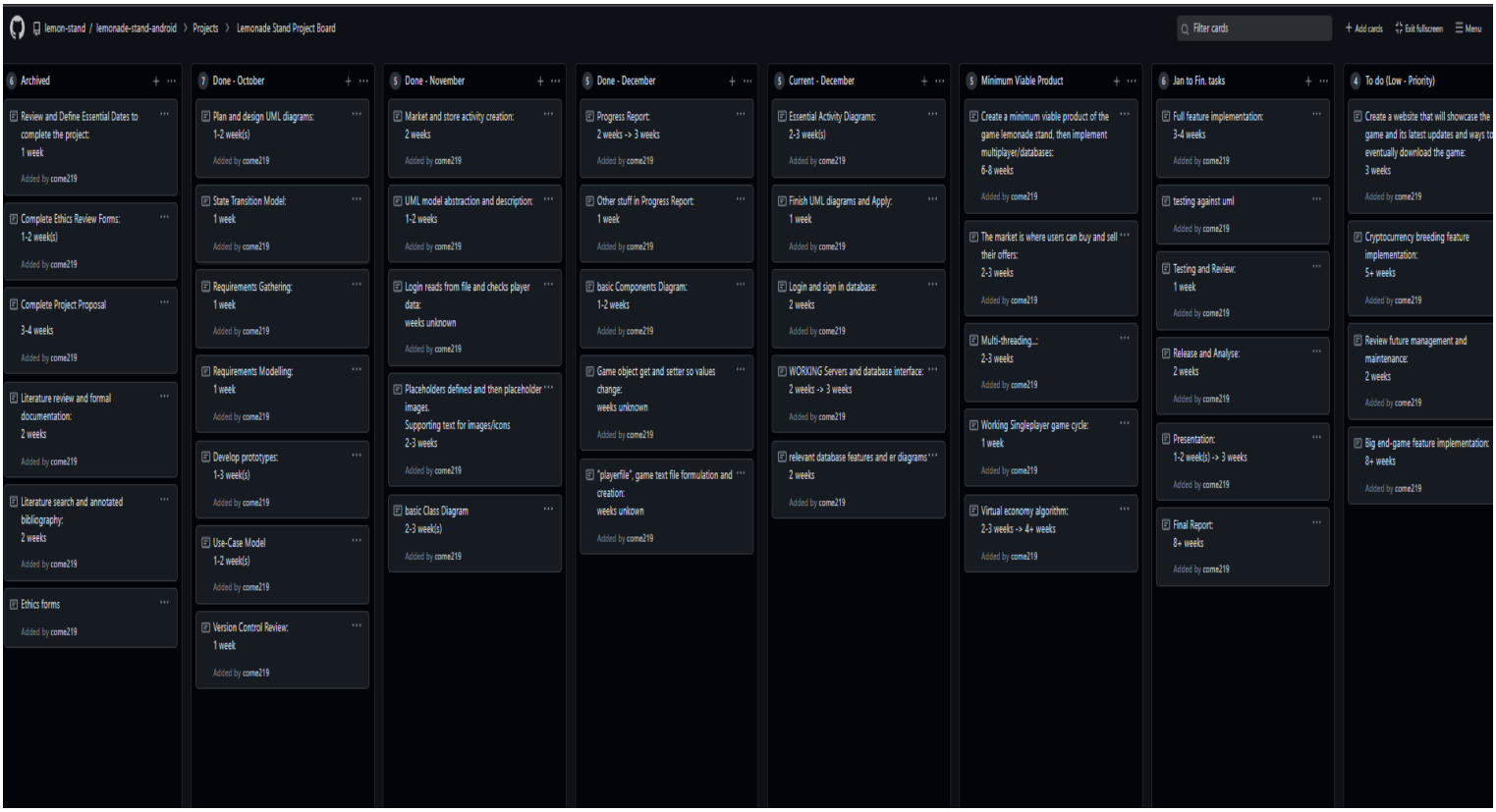
Objective 6-7: End of the Assignment

A5.1	See evaluation and review.
A5.2	See plans for release and maintenance.
A5.3	Final report.
A5.4	Present the work.

3.3.2. Schedule

An important method in ensuring that the project progresses is building a timetable with due dates. GitHub offers an effective project storyboard, which this project will be using to describe the tasks and effort needed for the project.

Figure 15: GitHub 'Lemonade Stand' Storyboard Gantt Chart



Note: Several tasks can be done in the same week and may overlap each other and not be true to when the task is started.

Time allocation:

October:	4 to 5 Weeks.
November:	6 to 9 Weeks.
December:	12 to 15+ Weeks.
January to Finish:	7 to 11+ Weeks.

3.3.3. Deliverables

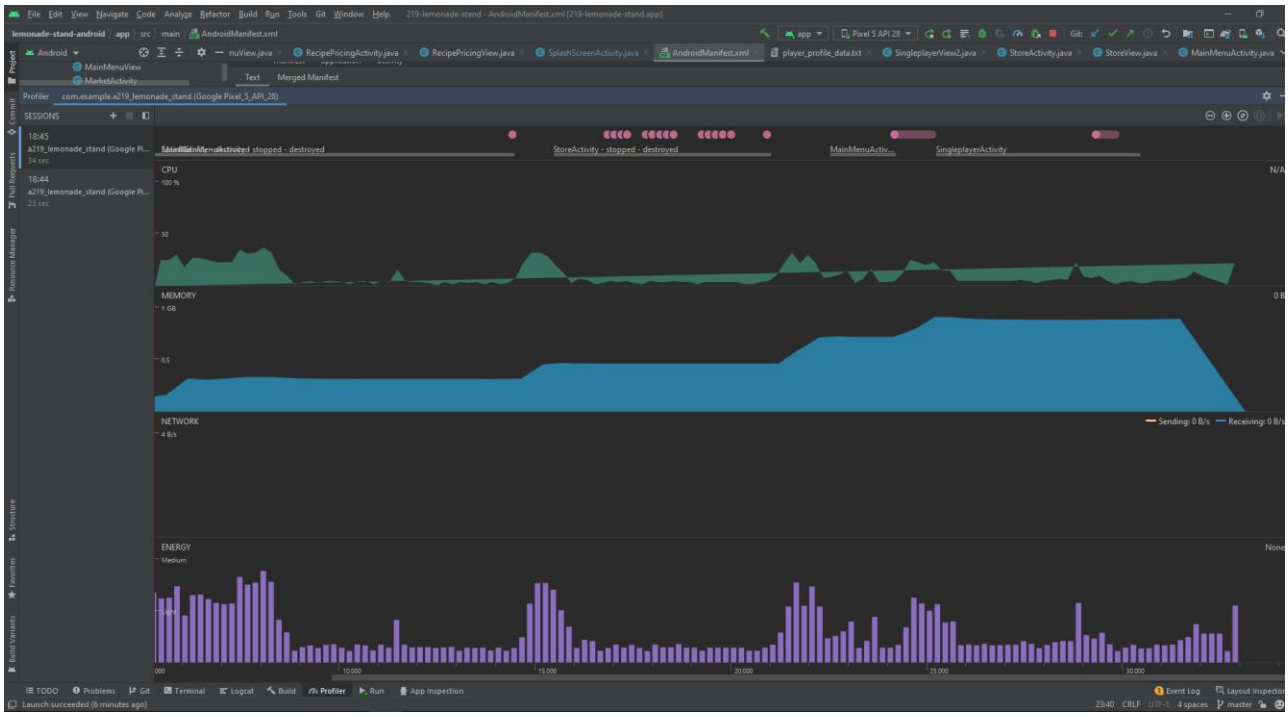
Task/Deliverables	Due date
Project Proposal: Including a literature review and several project management methodologies.	Due Semester 1, Week 4.
Ethics Forms:	

Required forms for ethics review and evaluation.	
Finish designing **UML documents** and **software artefacts**.	Due Semester 1, Week 8.
Minimum viable product: A prototype that will be developed into the product.	
Progress Report: Include requirements reports, UML specification and design documents, User stories, Sprint plans and Software artefacts with a **prototype**.	Due Semester 1, Week 12.
A **working product**, with all features implemented.	Due Semester 2, Week 2.
Project log: Planned objectives and discussions with due dates.	
Final Report: Final Product submission and a written report of the overview of the project development.	Due Semester 2, Week 8.
Video: Project demonstration to illustrate the product features and what it does.	
Poster: Project visual and static demonstration and description.	

3.4. System Requirements

Defining the entire application system requirements at this current stage is difficult be able to be defined and predicted. The Android Studio IDE has a CPU usage feature that allows to test the application while being simulated and see the values of usage. The simulated system will go through the main menu, then into the store to buy some stock and into the campaign mode to start the game and then sell lemonade. The following figure describes the CPU usage of the scenario using the Android Profiler:

Figure 16: 'Lemonade Stand' CPU Usage, Android Profiler



The different components in this figure describe the different types of resources the virtual device is using. The network component is not active as the current database implementation is not fully achieved. However, the other parts of the system usage can be described. As shown in the figure, RAM usage increases as it goes through the different scenes. However, it only goes up to around 1 gigabyte of RAM. RAM may only need to be required to up to 1.5 gigabytes, but it would be recommended and required to have at least 2 or 3 which is quite standard. As the system moves through the more demanding scenes, more of the CPU gets used but only up to 50%, which is to be expected as there are not that many demanding resources in the game. However, once multiplayer and networking are implemented into the system, it may require a further amount of CPU to sustain a reliable usage of the application, but it may still not require than the standard. Finally, it seems that as by design, the load and high resource allocation is at the start, that is due to loading the application and its features. The other parts of where the system seems to use a lot of energy is when it changes between the different screens. This is probably due to the poor implementation of the threading between activities which is causing problems that will be solved later.

3.5. Test Plan

Testing the project during it development ensures that the program will work and so that some risks may be mitigated or prevented. There are several methods of testing that can be applied to this project and in the final report, proper testing will have been achieved and documented to show what has been achieved.

Test-driven development is a testing method where any feature is implemented to start to fail and then refactored and developed until it works starts to work. Once working, the feature can be implemented. Then either a new feature can be tested and fixed or developed further so that the feature works with any other test methods used against it.

A lot of the testing methods are derived from Agile development which allows quick feature driven development and assigns status when the feature is completed. Another important testing method is 'feedback mechanism' which that allows the developer to know when a feature is being properly used and helps during debugging. Unit tests are very important in ensuring that the system returns the correct or corresponding output or parameter. System tests may also be done to ensure that the correct scenario can be achieved on the system which means that the program works. This has been achieved when doing the CPU usage test to see how much resource the system uses when running the application.

Finally, there is the discussion of the evaluation of the project. This will discuss on what the results were, and the possible lessons learned. It may be used to evaluate a failed feature or component. It will use evidence from the records to prove the objective and what it is capable of. It will determine methods of defining the evaluation such as if the game was fun or did the application run smoothly. The data will then provide an analysis on what improvements might need to be made for the system and how to progress it.

3.6. Implementation

The project aims to implement an Android mobile game application. That will use a database that will hold the game server. The Android mobile application will be compiled into an executable .apk file that will run the game. The server will host the database and allow the user in the mobile application to connect to the server, create an account, sign in and use the game. The game will feature a take on the classic

‘Lemonade Stand’ game which will have multiplayer features to allow players to compete and gain wealth in this virtual environment.

Within the game system, the user will be able to create account that will be allocated a space in the database and be able to log into to game using their created account. Their account will have their unique inventory which will contain various lemons and lemonade items. As discussed, if there is enough time, implementation of a lemon breeding system to create different types of lemons for the game. However, as standard, the player would be able to trade their inventory game items with other players for other items if they please or buy/sell it on a embedded system market. Moreover, there will be a shop that a player will be able to get lemons from the system which would have a stock system that limits a player from buying too many items. Finally, a system where a player can create their recipes for the lemonade and assign the price.

As described, it will achieve all the objectives and what is described in this implementation to achieve the final product where the user can play a multiplayer game based on the classic ‘Lemonade Stand’.

Chapter 4: Professional Issues and Risk

This chapter aims to explore the professional issues and risks involved when developing the project. Understanding the overview of these issues and mishaps ensure that a developer can understand the externalities that may be caused through developing this project. The Professional Issues section will discuss and identify any relevant legal, social, ethical and environmental issues as a by-product of this project. Several professional codes of conduct have been defined and pressed over the years such as the BCS, ACM and IEEE. Moreover, these professional issues are inherently risk for the project. A risk is an uncertain event that may have a positive or, in general, negative impact on the project. Risk management is the process of identifying and mitigating the risks. It is important to carefully manage and predetermine the risks of the project as all aspects will be affected. Schedule may change or budget or scope.

4.1. Professional Issues

The objective of identifying and discussing the professional issues is to lead with professional competence and integrity so that this project remains in the legal limits of the law and what society deems acceptable. One of the major issues of this project is understanding copyright and its use. 'Lemonade Stand' may be an intellectual property and may have rights and owned by an entity. However, the main issue only is derived if the project is highly popular and gaining revenue in any way that the original owner has no part in. This paper, 'An Analysis of the Scope of Copyright Protection for Application Programs' (Menell, 2021) and discussions, its notoriously hard to create a legal offense of a game concept or idea as there are many clones on the market not just of this game but game genres in general suffer from this. Furthermore, this project will be represented as a research project and will not be within the scope of any copyright or legal issues. However, it is still informative to have presented any articles regarding the topics.

The discussion of the general computer ethics of acts. The Data Protection Act 2018 (GOV.UK, 2021) allows data subjects to have a greater control of their data and enforces data controllers to highly secure that data. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR, 2021) ensures that companies will follow the regulations of the policies as they would face severe punishment. The Institute of

Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE.org, 2021), has defined several ethical laws and procedures that companies must abide by. The BCS and IEEE has stated several computer laws and ethics that every developer must abide by. The relevant ones that are related to this topic at hand are: data protection, security, and privacy. This is because the accounts are using data from the users and must be stored and processed securely and encrypted or this project could face problems if it were to be released and problems arise. This project will take the approach to solving this problem by inherently encrypting all private data files relevant to account information and securing properly. Furthermore, there can be privacy features implemented so that it remains with in the laws and ethics defined.

As mentioned with virtual economies, there have been some legal disputes and laws that have been impose directly because of these games. As these game items may retain value and be taken advantage of, game companies have gotten away from destructive legal disputes by stating that the game items are owned by the games company and not the user. This means that items are not owned by the player and do not have any rights towards these virtual items. However, in other cases, game items are directly owned by the user. This means that the developers have to ensure that these assets that users hold can be held reliably because some players that lose a lot of their assets may sue the games company. Furthermore, 'On Regulation of Virtual Economies' discusses the impact of virtual economies and how government are requirement and understanding through reporting and revenues so that they can understand this virtual wealth and how it can impact the real-world economy. Furthermore, restricting employment from users playing the game as it can be seen a demerit and negatively impacting.

This project, as mentioned, will not need to describe what approach it will take as it will not be within the scope. However, to avoid issues, the items will not be owned by the player and hopefully real-world money will not be directly involved. Also, as this project is very early in its development, it will not define any restricting elements that may be unmoral or unethical as it attempts to achieve the solving. This is because the solutions to these problems can be solved later when it is within the scope.

4.2. Risks

The Risk analysis will be informed by current progress and state of the project. This section regarding risks will hope to resolve risks and develop a successful mitigation strategy for any of the risks identified. Furthermore, it may define changes to project plan as a result of risks and any future risks that the project might lead into.

4.2.1. RISK: Risk Management

Risk Management involves following several steps that will specify all the risk criteria and how to act on it. The following table identifies the Risk Management steps:

Risk Step	Risk Description
1. Risk Identification	Defining all the relevant hazards and threats to the development or release of the project.
2. Risk Assessment	Identifying the project vulnerability by quantifying the risk, with a higher scale being a more damaging risk.
3. Risk Response	Aims to reduce or mitigate the risk factors by defining clear steps and actions for the risk.
4. Risk Control	Involves prioritising the risk mitigation strategies to keep focus on potential high attention risks.

4.2.2. Risk Breakdown Structure

Understanding how risks affect the project system, we will use several risk resources that helps identify what to do with risks or identify or define them. The Risk Breakdown structure goes as follows:

Technical	Requirements, Technology, Complexity, Interfacing, Performances, Reliability, Quality, Memory, Leaks, Dangling pointers, Deadlocks, Noise for data, etc.
External	Subcontractors' suppliers regulatory, Market, Customer, Weather, Pandemics, etc.

Organizational	Project dependencies, Resources, Funding, Prioritization, People-related issues, etc.
Project Management	Estimation, Planning, Controlling, Communication, etc.

A famous American Software Engineer discusses software project risk factors using the Boehm top ten software project risk factors (B. W. Boehm). These risks will be used to provide some potential ideas to risk that needs to be evaluated and mitigated.

Boehm's Top Ten Software Project Risk Factors

1. Personnel shortfalls – talent, job matching, personnel agreements.
2. Unrealistic schedules and budgets – problems in cost and scheduling, design to cost.
3. Developing the wrong functions and properties – problems in organisational analysis, operation-cost formulation, performance failure, quality failures.
4. Developing the wrong user interface – problems when not prototyping, no external participation for feedback.
5. Gold-plating – creating or allocating too much time on unnecessary features but makes it seem better.
6. Continuing stream of requirements – Major changes to the project, information hiding, stall in incremental development.
7. Shortfalls in externally furnished components – Benchmarking, inspections, compatibility analysis.
8. Shortfalls in externally performed tasks – Reference checking, audits, competitive design.
9. Real-time performance shortfalls – Simulation, modelling, benchmarking, tuning.
10. Straining computer-science capabilities – cost-benefit analysis, prototyping problems, reference checking.

4.2.3. Quantifying Risks

Generally, a risk has a likelihood or a probability of it occurring and the consequence or the impact of the failure or risk. A formula to describe the Risk expose can be defined using these as variables and calculated to product a value that ranks on a numeric scale to determine its severity. The severity of the risk at hand can determine how the risk can be prioritized. The formula for determining a value for Risk Exposure is:

$$Risk\ Exposure = Likelihood * Impact$$

Where 'Likelihood' or 'Impact' may be ranked on a scale of 1 to 5 and multiplied and referred to the Risk Severity Matrix. The value and colour will correspond to how tolerant a developer may be towards the risk or how the project's tolerance towards the risk.

Risk Severity Matrix

		Likelihood				
Impact	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	4	5
2	2	4	6	8	10
3	3	6	9	12	15
4	4	8	12	16	20
5	5	10	15	20	25

	Acceptable
	Tolerable
	High

Potential Risk	**Potential Causes**	**Severity**	**Likelihood**	**Risk**	**Mitigation**
Missed deadline	Illness	1	3	3	Apply for exceptional circumstances
	Poor Time Management	4	2	8	Apply schedule and time management skills and work ahead.
	Other Obligations	3	2	6	Keep ahead of other obligations.
Feature Creep	Over-ambitious Project Feature or Specifications	2	3	6	Keep scope at the current state and manage time

					efficiently to develop core/high priority tasks.
Poor Artefacts	Poor motivations, unnecessary by perspective.	1	3	3	Constant design and development of the artefacts.
Missing Artefacts	Neglected.	2	1	2	Create a basic artefact to be able to implement it later, perhaps.
Software problems	Bad code; Poor implementation of component.	4	4	16	Consistent development and learning. Prevention by solving the problem before it becomes a risk.
Software minor bugs	No software unit checks; Poor implementation.	3	5	15	Not entirely terrible as the variables seems to be implemented and working but if it doesn't actually use or show the right data it must undergo tests so that the component is considered functional.
Software major bugs	Failure of implementing feature.	5	2	10	Ensure that the minimum viable product is achieved at least so that this risk can never be reached.
Stalls in development	Other errands, procrastination, stress.	2	3	6	Ensure there is some development or planning for some

					development such that this doesn't occur.
Computer Ethics/Professional Issues	Failure to meet the standards.	4	1	4	Checking and meeting the requirements based on research and findings.
Virtual economy regulations	Failure to implement standards for these games.	4	1	4	Ensuring that the regulations are discussed and sought to when relevant.
Copyright laws	Failure to meet the standards.	3	1	3	Ensuring that the issue are discussed and sought to when relevant.
Product inefficiency/performance issue	Unable to write efficient code that is reliable and fast for the scope.	4	3	12	Making sure that the issue at hand is dealt with as soon as possible. Proper use of multi-threading as it is a complex issue to solve later.
Compatibility issues.	Failure for the application to reach the objective of being compatible	4	4	16	Testing and prototyping the product on the objective device early.

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