

# CodeKataBattle

Software Engineering 2 Project - DD v1.0

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose

This document contains the description of the architectural design of the *CodeKataBattle* application in alignment with the specifications outlined in the *RASD document*. The document specifies essential design characteristics by introducing constraints and quality attributes required by the implementation. It also provides a comprehensive overview of the implementation plan, integration plan, and testing plan.

## 1.2 Scope

*CodeKataBattle* will be built upon a **3-tier client server architecture**. In order to guarantee availability and address performance issues, the Application Tier containing the Web Server and the Data Tier containing the Database Server will be replicated. The CKB will be accessible through web browsers on both desktop and mobile devices for both students and educators; the user interface will be designed with distinct implementations tailored to each device type. Considering the diverse user roles, interface implementations will provide different functionalities, addressing the specific needs of each user interacting with the system.

The system also interacts with third party applications, in particular a GitHub API will be used to manage the repositories containing the various CodeKata, and the evaluation system will rely on static analysis tools (an example: SonarQube).

## 1.3 Definitions, Acronyms, Abbreviations

### Definitions:

- **CodeKataBattle:** The software to be developed.
- **Student:** The participant in one or more tournaments and battles
- **Educator:** The creator of one or more tournaments and battles
- **Tournament:** A competition composed of multiple battles
- **Battle:** A contest of multiple teams to create a project that satisfies all the tests

### Acronyms:

- **CKB:** CodeKataBattle

## 1.4 Document structure

This document is composed of the chapters described below.

- **Chapter 1** describes the scope and purpose of the DD, including the structure of the document and the set of definitions, acronyms and abbreviations used.
- **Chapter 2** contains the architectural design choice, it includes all the components, the interfaces, the technologies (both hardware and software) used for the development of the application. It also includes the main functions of the interfaces and the processes in which they are utilised (runtime view and component interfaces). Finally, there is the explanation of the architectural patterns chosen with the other design decisions.
- **Chapter 3** The third chapter contains mockups for the user interface of the system to be.
- **Chapter 4** describes the connection between the RASD and the DD, showing the matching between the goals and requirements described previously with the elements which compose the architecture of the application.
- **Chapter 5** traces a plan for the development of components to maximize the efficiency of the developer team and the quality controls team. It is divided in two sections: implementation and integration. It also includes the testing strategy.
- **Chapter 6** shows the effort spent for each member of the group.
- **Chapter 7** lists the eventual references used in this document.

## 2 Architectural Design

### 2.1 Overview

The CKB application will rely on a 3-Tier Architecture. This type of architecture is well established, and because of the fact that each tier runs on its own infrastructure, each tier can be developed and maintained simultaneously, without impacting other tiers. The three tiers are the following:

- *Presentation*: this tier incorporates the user interface and communication layer of the application, managing the interaction of the end user with the application itself. It is the top-level tier of the architecture, it can run on a desktop application, a web browser (like in the case of CKB) or on any graphical user interface.
- *Application*: the application tier, also called logic tier, incorporates the business logic behind the application. The application tier interacts both with the presentation tier and the data tier, overseeing the transfer of data between the other two layers.
- *Data*: the data tier contains the database of the application, so all the information that is stored and processed in the application. It can be implemented by relational database management systems (DBMS) such as PostgreSQL or MySQL.

The system will also interact with some external services, through appropriate APIs. In particular, a mail server for sending notifications to users, GitHub for the project workflow management and any kind of application that provides static analysis tools for code analysis, such as SonarQube.

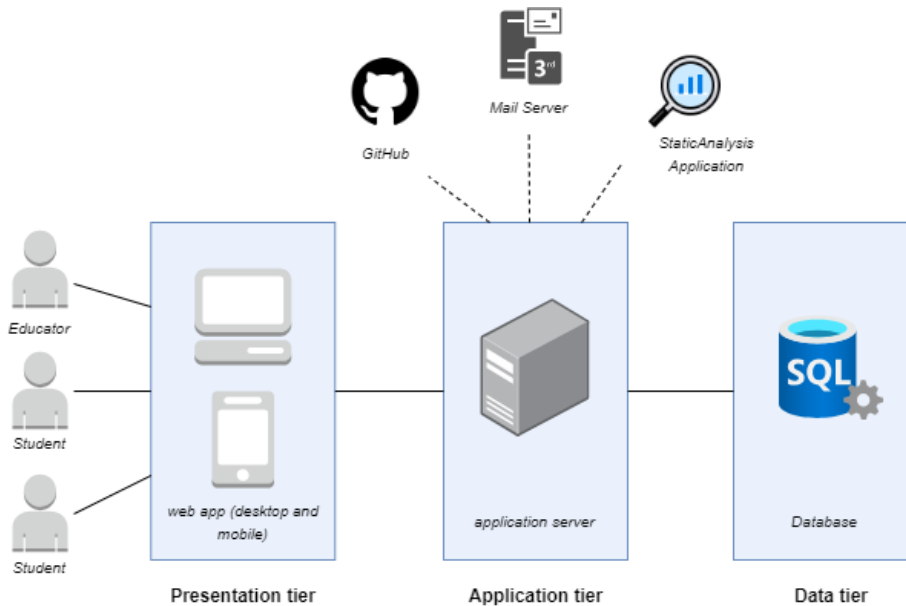


Figure 1: High-level overview of the 3-tier architecture for CKB

## 2.2 Component View

In the following section the component diagram is included in order show the main components of the system and the relationships between them.

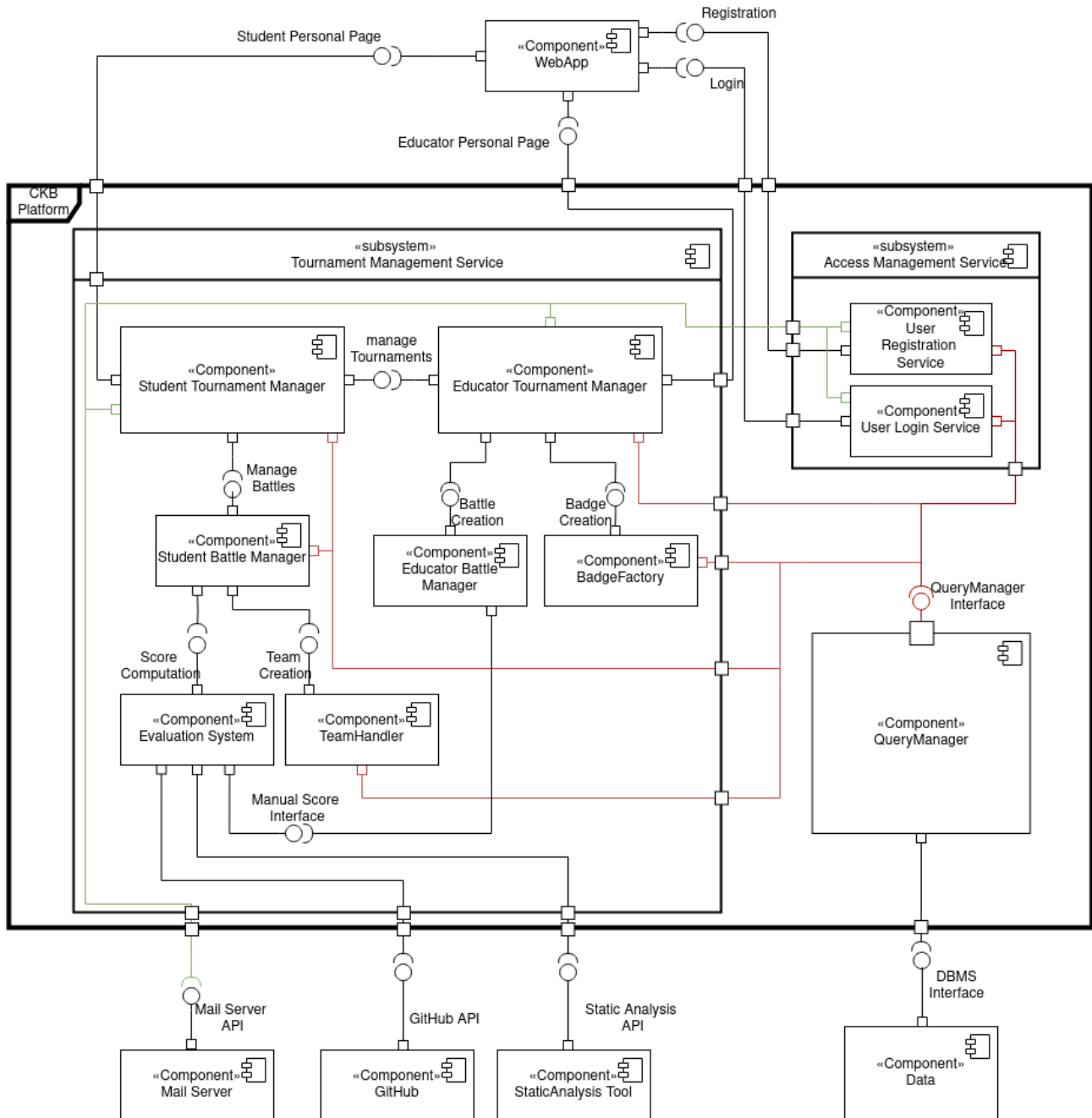


Figure 2: CKB Platform Component Diagram

The CKB Platform consists of the following components (divided with respect to the 3 tiers architecture):

- **Presentation:**
  - **WebApp**: Web browser client application
- **Application:**
  - **Tournament Management Service**: subsystem dedicated to Tournament Management

- \* **Educator Tournament Manager:** component containing all the functions allowing an Educator user to create and manage a Tournament
- \* **Educator Battle Manager:** component that contains all the functions allowing an Educator user to create and manage a Battle
- \* **Student Tournament Manager:** component containing all the functions allowing a Student user to browse and join Tournaments
- \* **Student Battle Manager:** component containing all the functions allowing a Student user to join a Battle and actively monitor its progress
- \* **Evaluation System::** component that provides the score for a Battle
- \* **TeamHandler:** component that handles the Team creation process for a Battle
- \* **BadgeFactory:** component that allows an Educator user to create Badges
- **Access Manager:** subsystem dedicated to user management
  - \* **User Registration Service:** component that handles the registration process to CKB
  - \* **User Login Service:** component that allows the login process to CKB
- **QueryManager:** component that interacts with the database. It collects all the functions containing a query to the DB
- **Data:**
  - **DBMS:** database server
- **External:**
  - **GitHub:** external component that allows the CKB Platform to interact with the repositories of the various Battles.
  - **Static Analysis Tool:** external component that provide the static analysis measurements in order to compute a Battle's score
  - **Mail server:** external component that allows the CKB Platform to send emails to the user

## 2.3 Deployment View

In this section the deployment diagram is included (figure3) in order to capture the topology of the system's hardware.

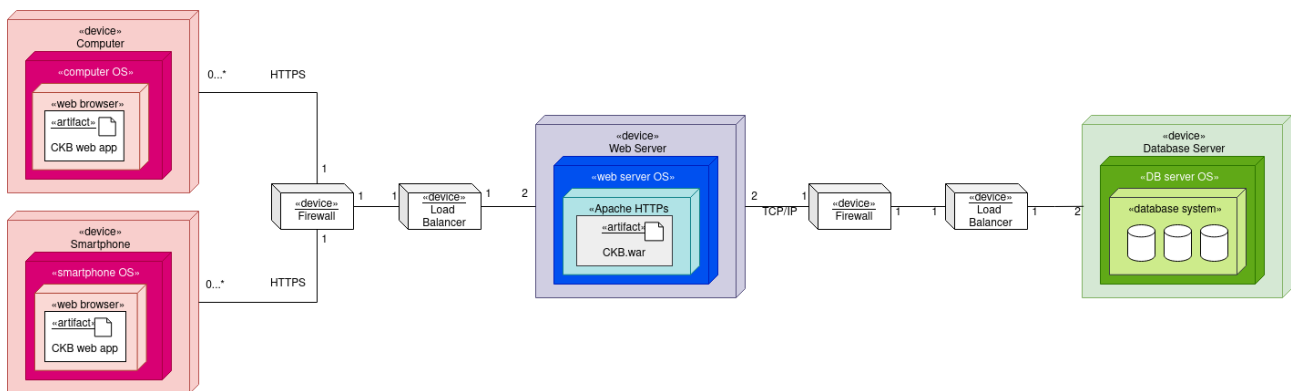


Figure 3: CKB Platform Deployment Diagram

As previously specified, the system implements a 3-tier architecture. In the following, details about each tier is included.

1. **Presentation Tier:** contains the UI part of the system. Users access the CKB Platform through the web browser installed on their devices (both Computers and Smartphones). An HTTPS connection is needed in order to communicate with the Web Server.
2. **Application Tier:** the *Web Server* containing all the business logic of the CKB Platform is deployed within this tier. In order to guarantee the system's availability and performance, 2 replicas of the web server are deployed, and the distribution of requests coming from the presentation tier is handled by the *Load Balancer*. Additionally, a *Firewall* is in place to monitor both incoming and outgoing traffic. The Application Tier handles requests from the Presentation Tier using the HTTPs protocol, while communicates with the Data Tier through TCP/IP.
3. **Data Tier:** the *Database Server* is deployed within this tier. All data regarding users, statistics, ongoing and past tournament and battles is contained here. The Database Server is accessed by the Application tier using a TCP/IP connection. Incoming and outgoing traffic is monitored by a *Firewall* and the Database Server is replicated 2 times; the distribution of requests is handled by a *Load Balancer* as well.



## 2.4 Runtime View

In this section we include sequence diagrams to represent run-time interactions among components defined in the component diagram of section 2.2. Interactions and scenarios will follow those described in Use Cases presented in the RASD document, going into further detail about how the system behaves in relation to interactions among components.

For simplicity's sake and readability, we assume that all data manually inserted by the user is correct, and that errors caused by loss of connection or system failure don't happen. In those cases, operations currently in process are not completed, an error message is displayed and the user is asked to try again.

### Student registration

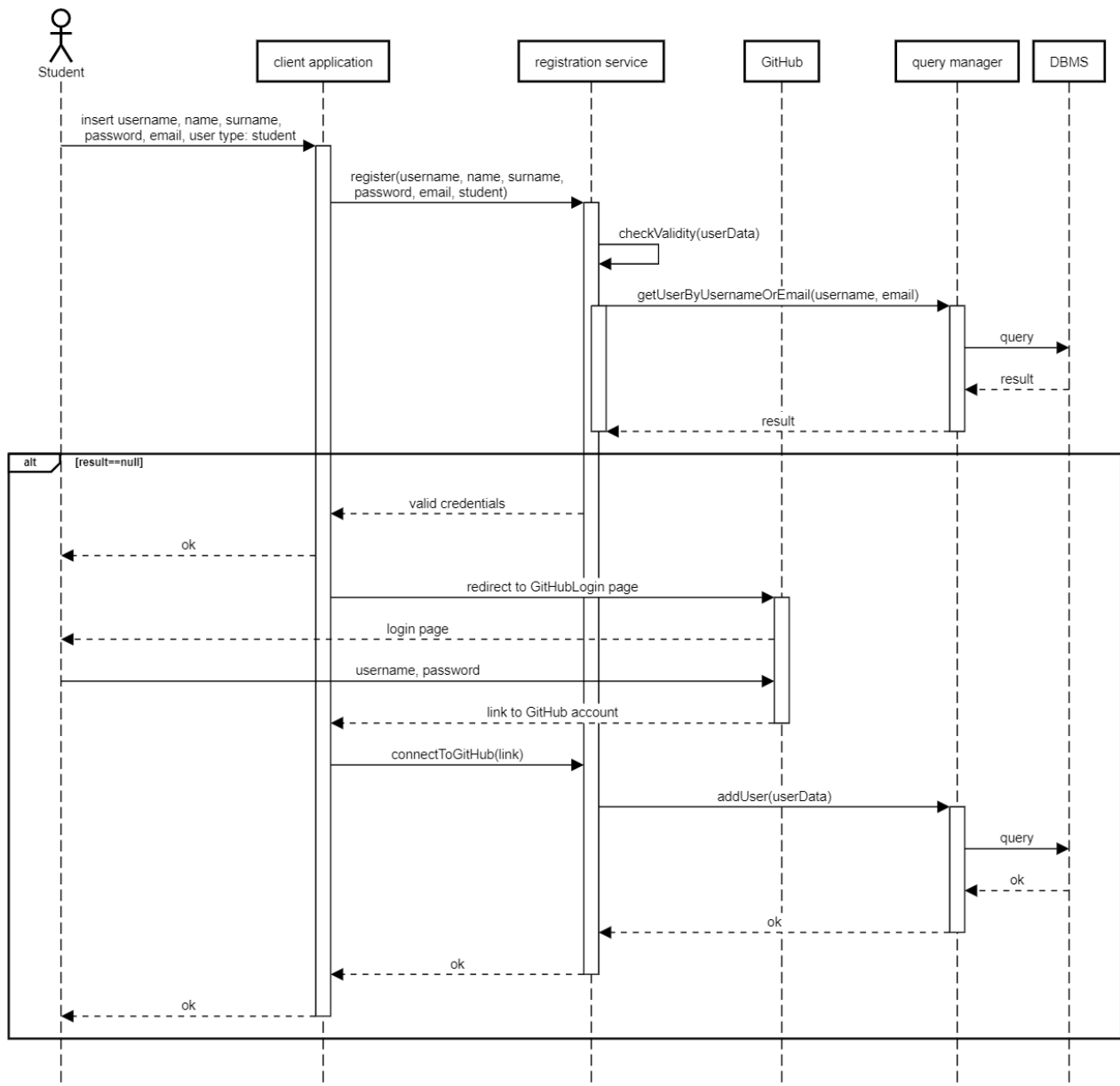


Figure 4: User registers as a student

## Educator registration

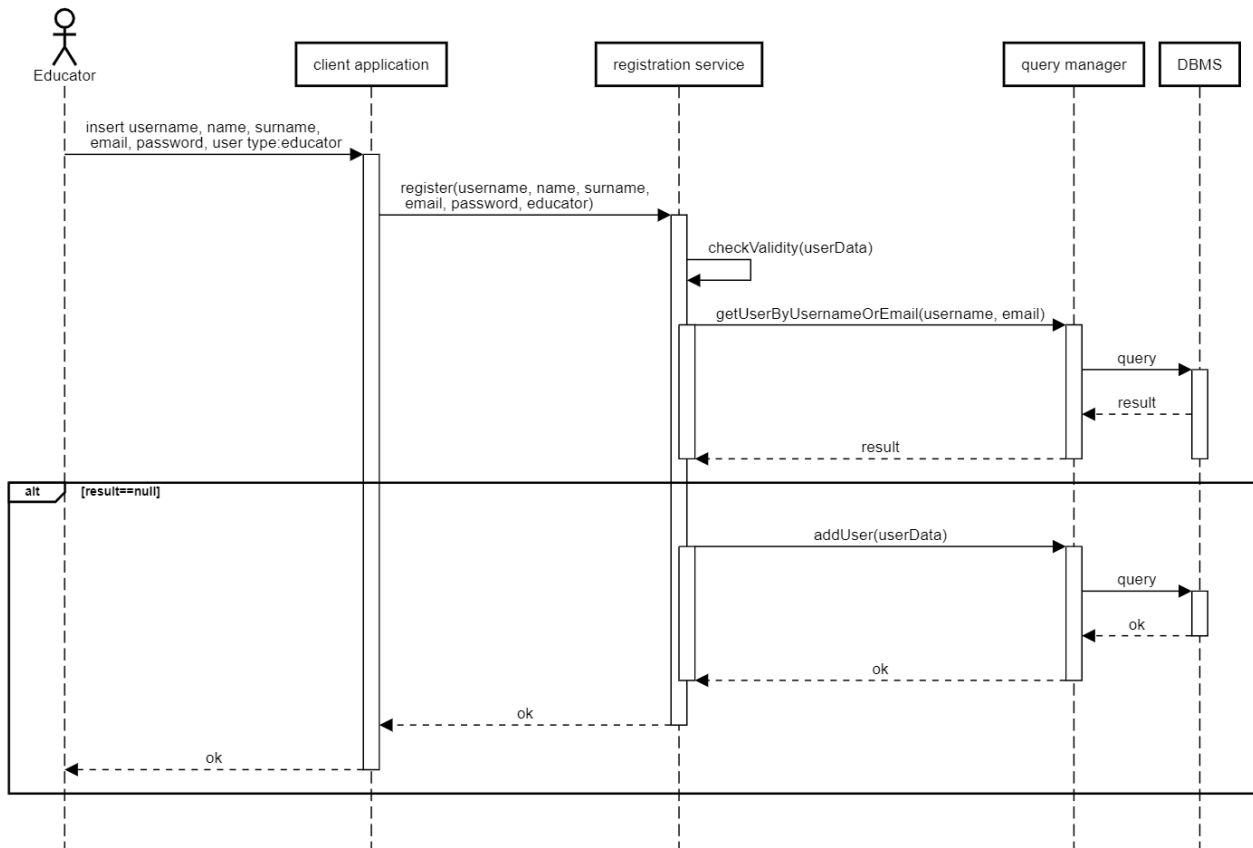


Figure 5: User registers as an educator

## User login

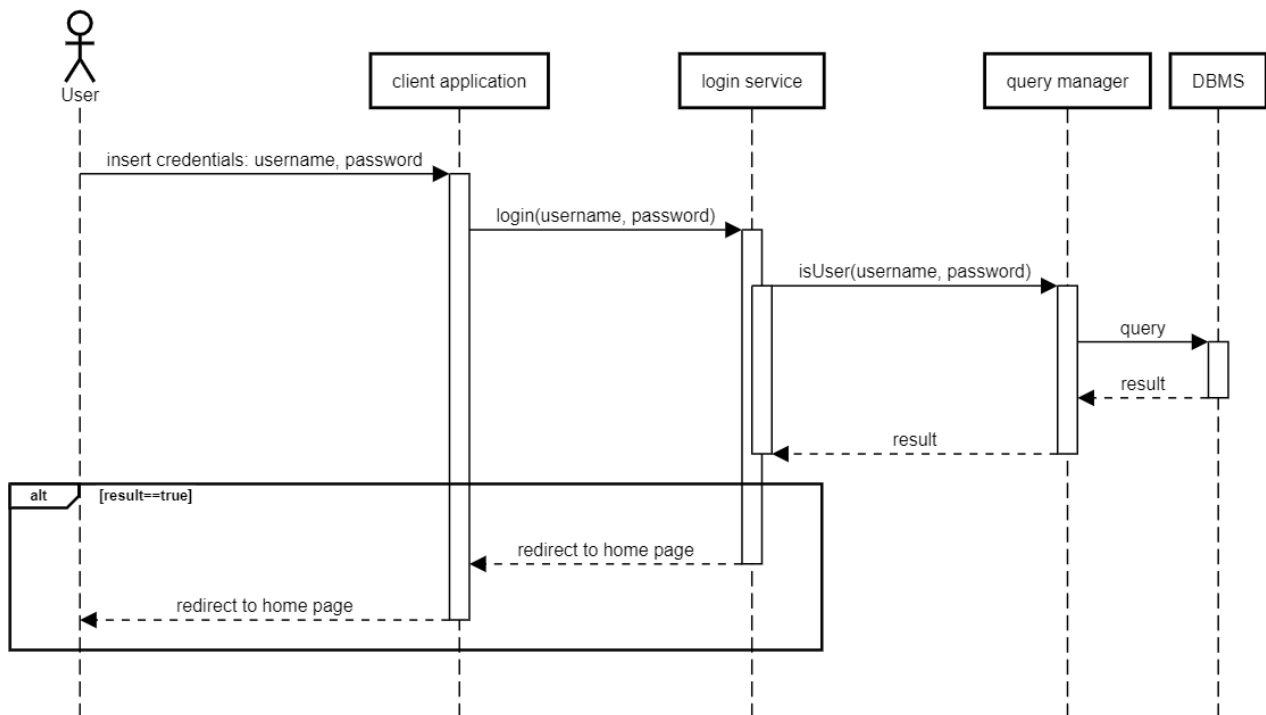


Figure 6: User logs in CKB

## Join tournament

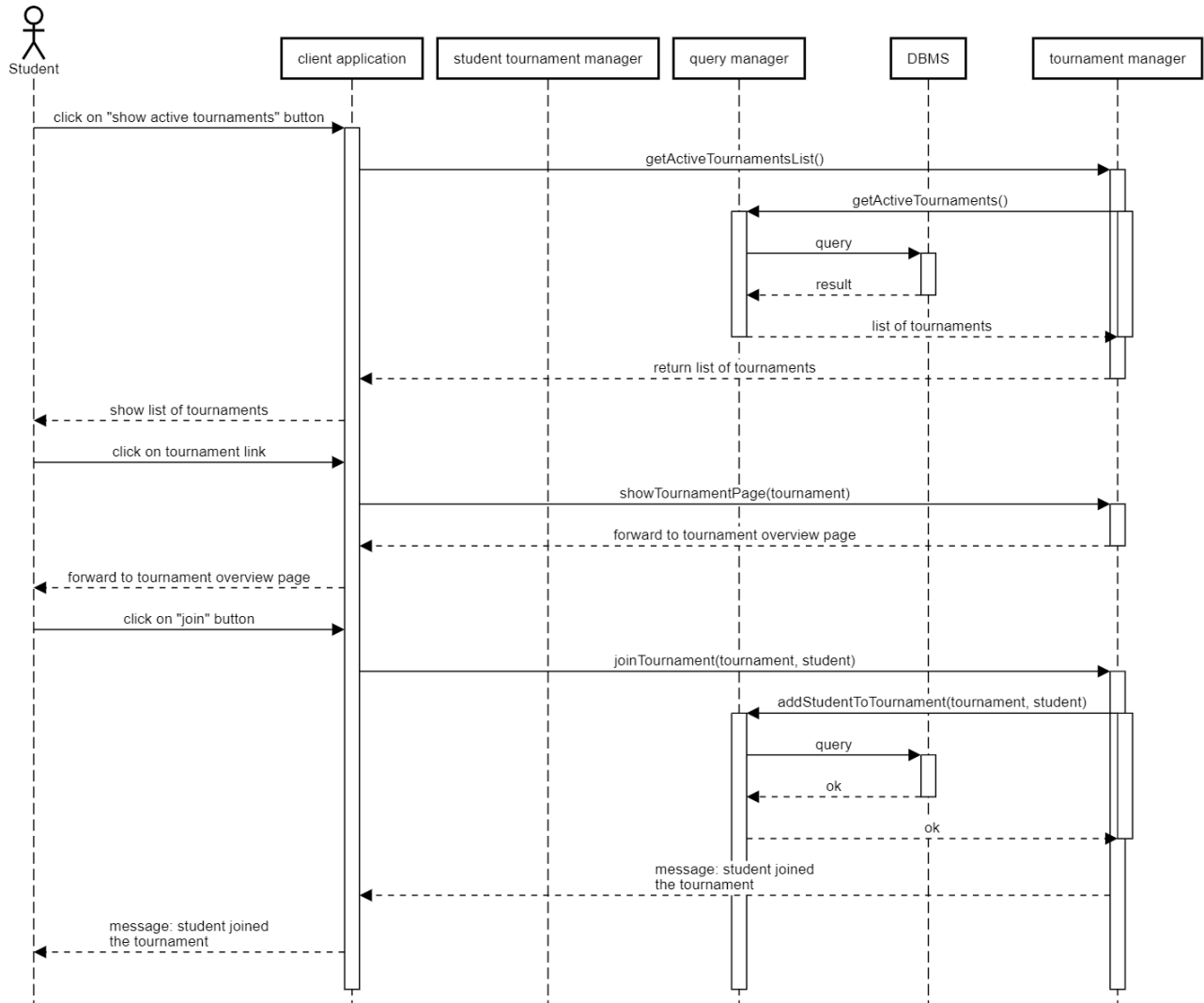


Figure 7: Student joins a tournament

## Create a team

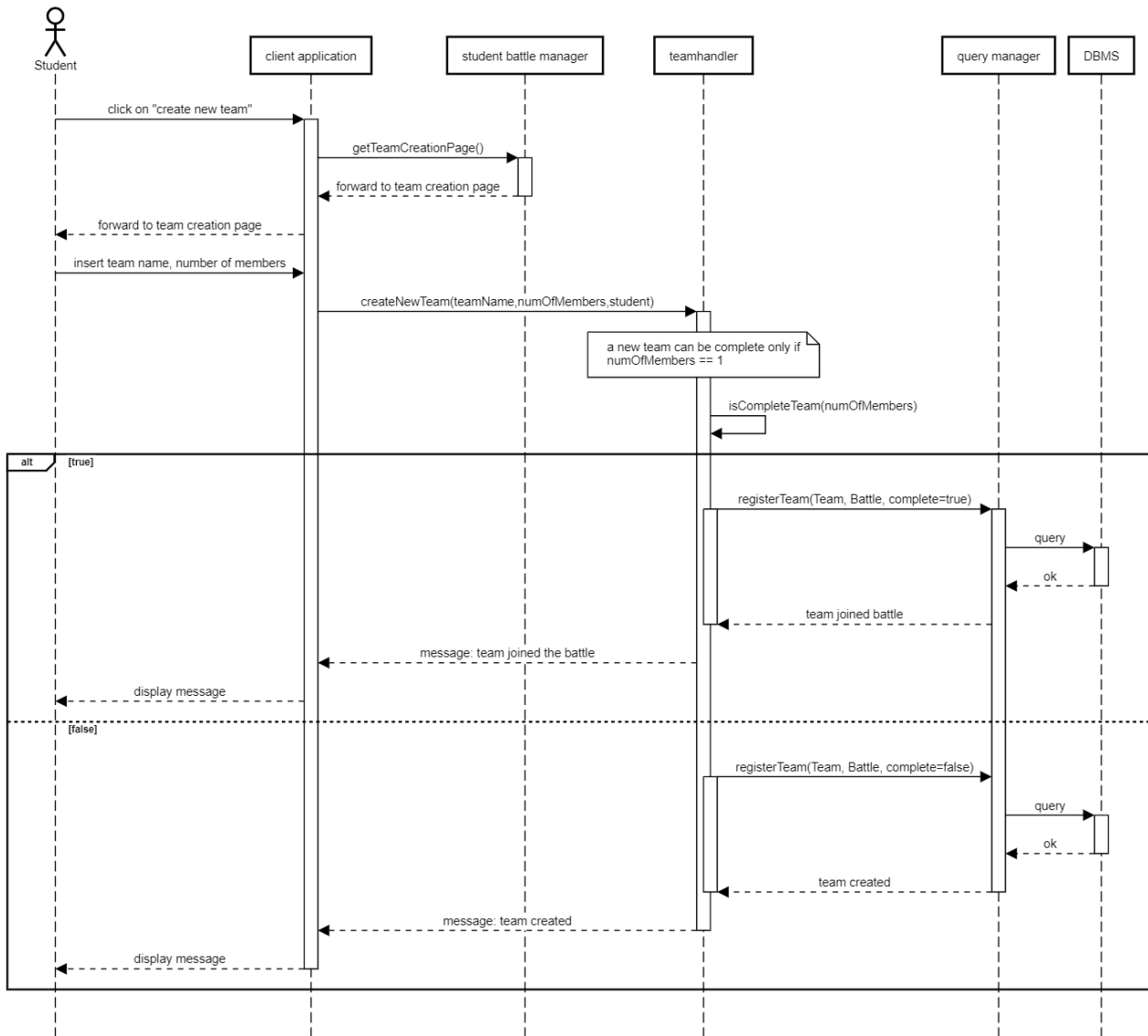


Figure 8: Student creates a new team

## Request to join a team

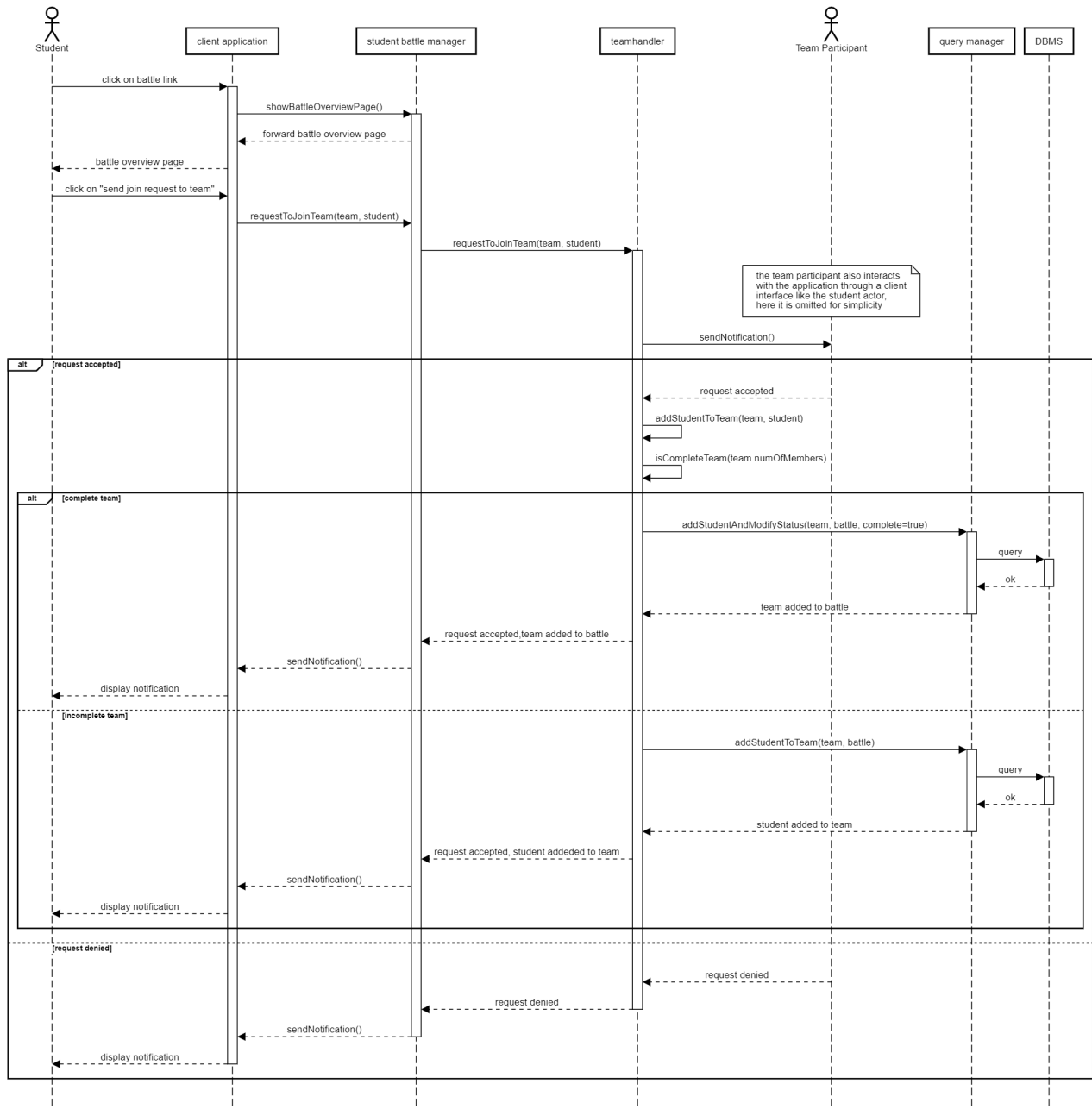


Figure 9: A student sends a join request to a team

## Invite to join a team

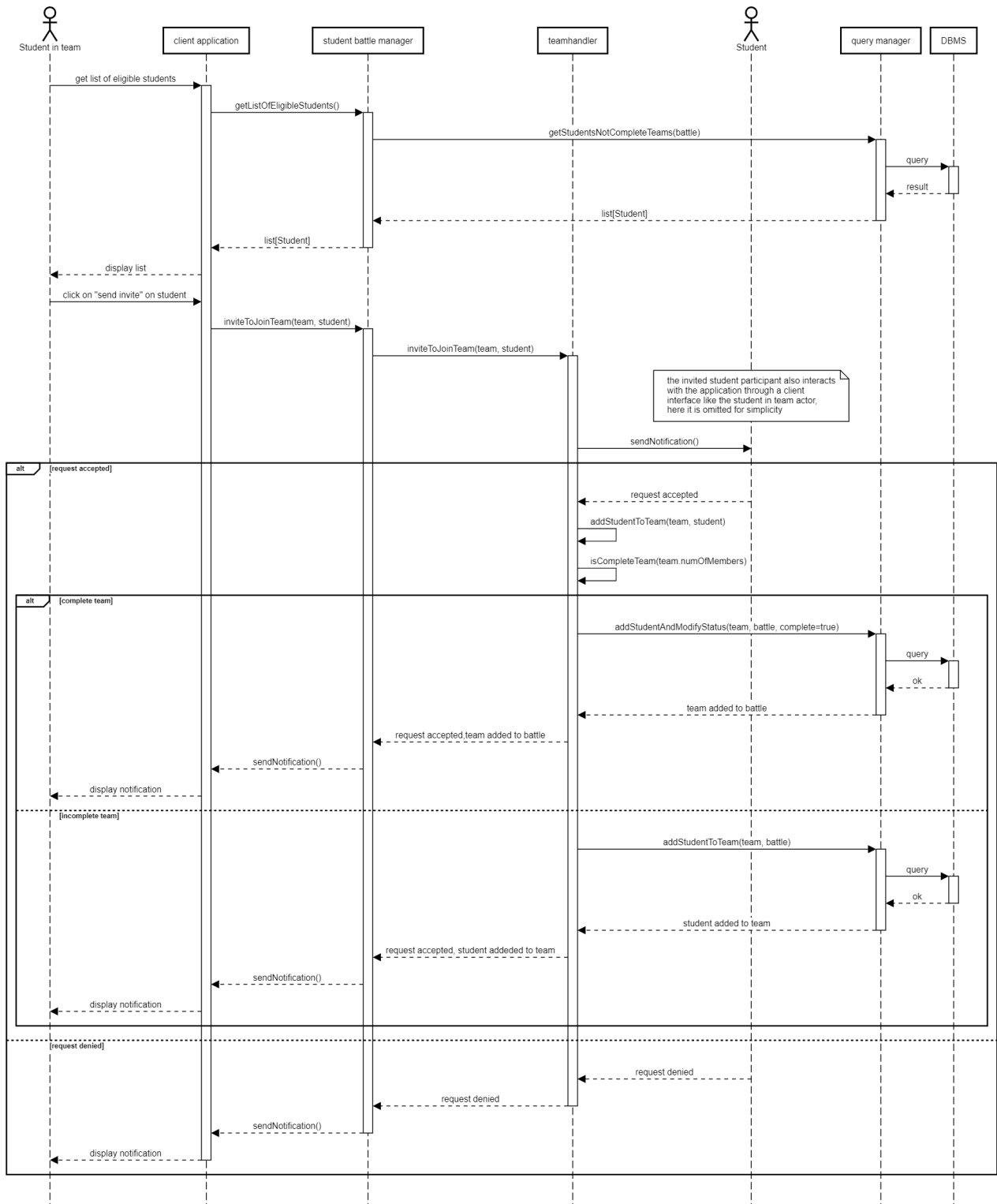


Figure 10: A student (team member) invites another student to join their team

## Quit team

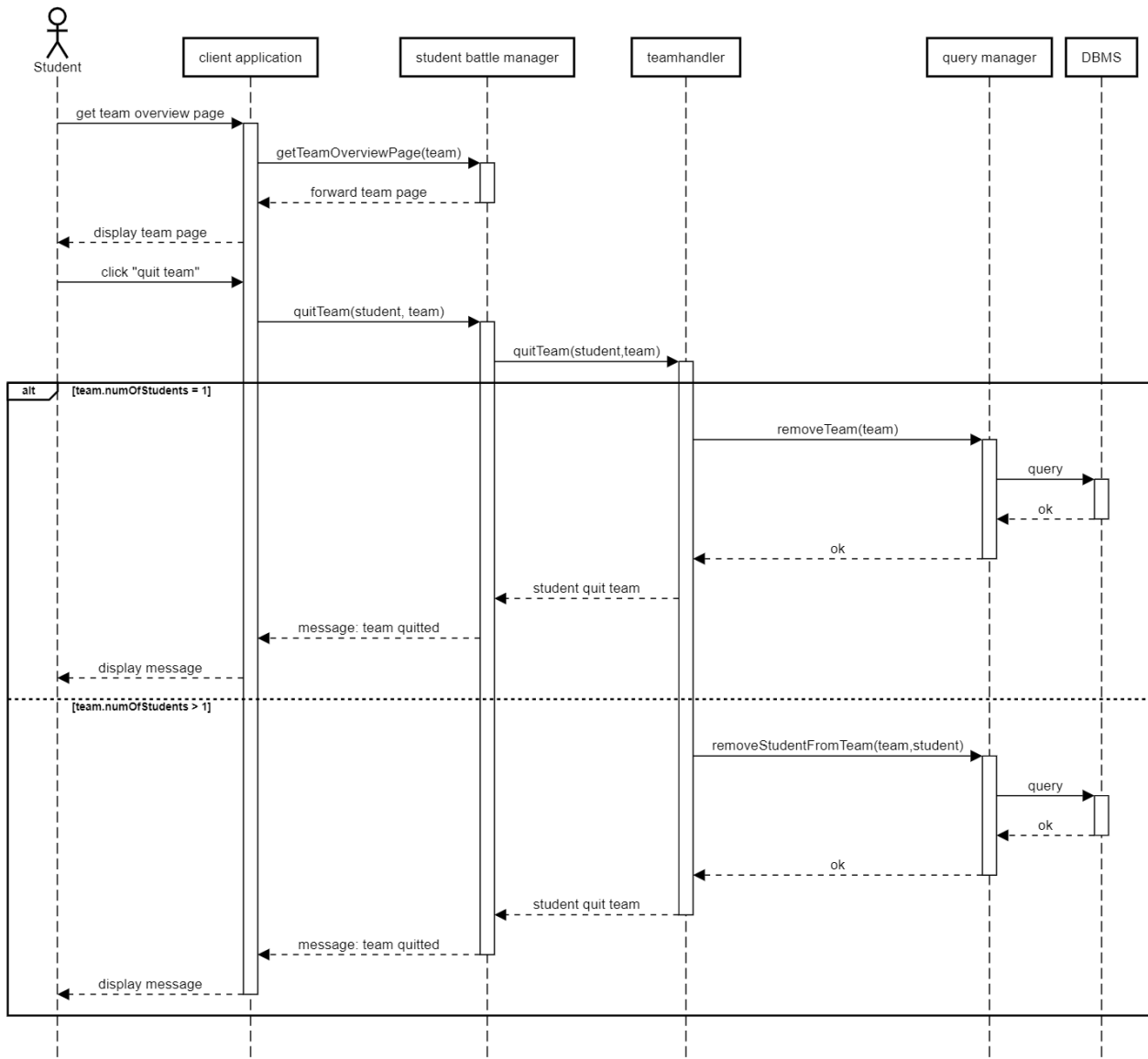


Figure 11: A student quits their team

New code pushed on GitHub repository

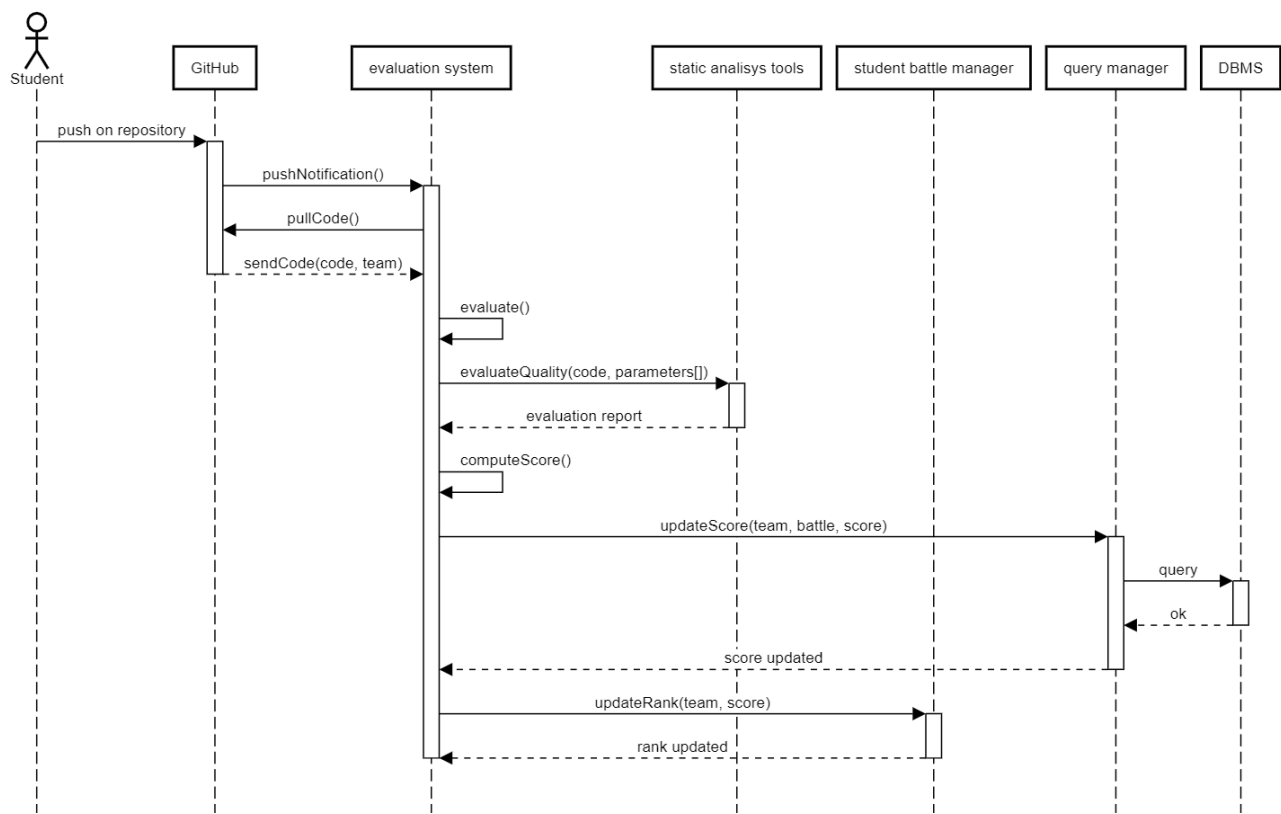


Figure 12: A student executes a push on their GitHub repository for their project



## Creation of a Tournament and Badge creation process

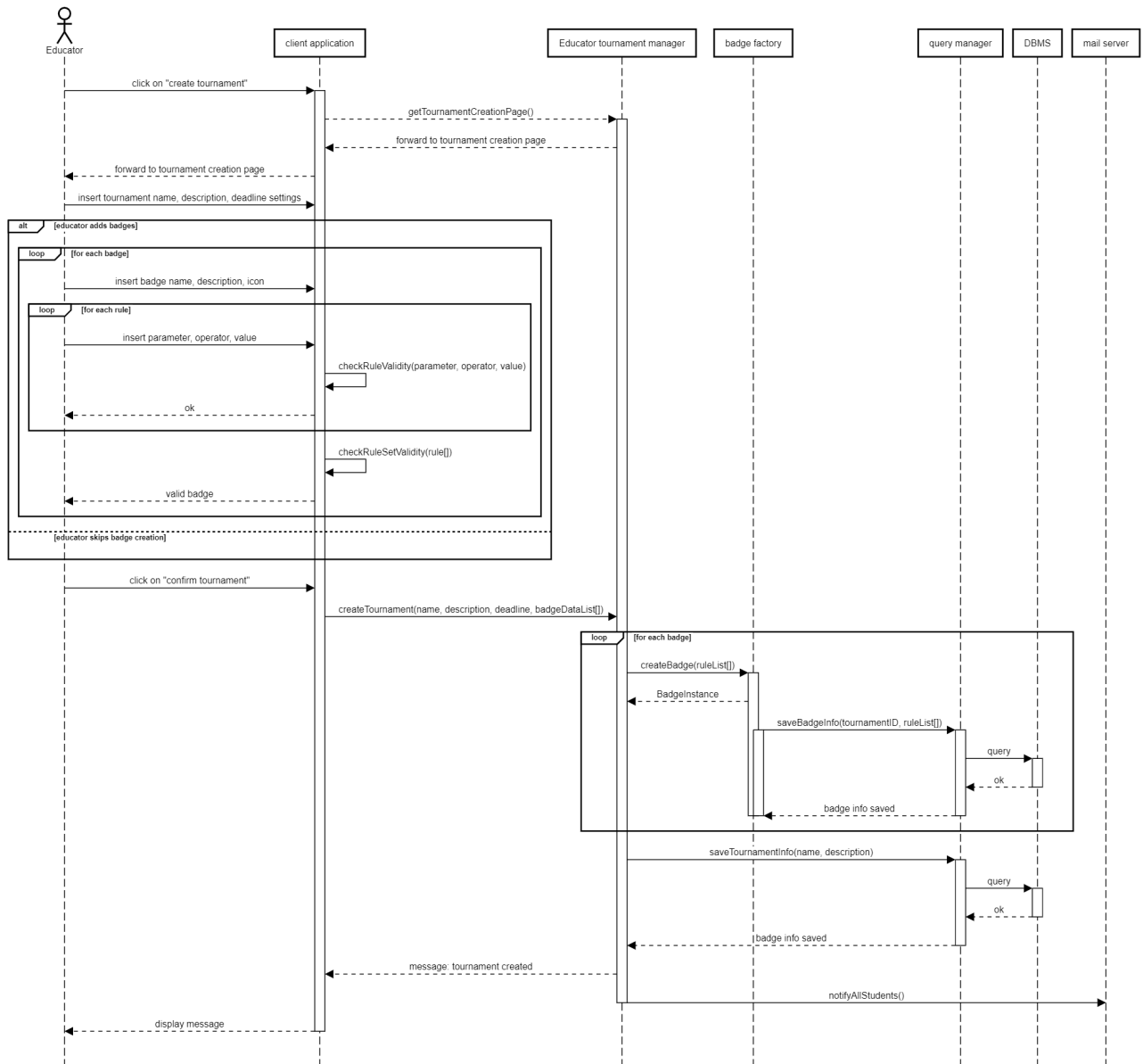


Figure 13: Educator creates a tournament. Badge creation process.

## Battle creation

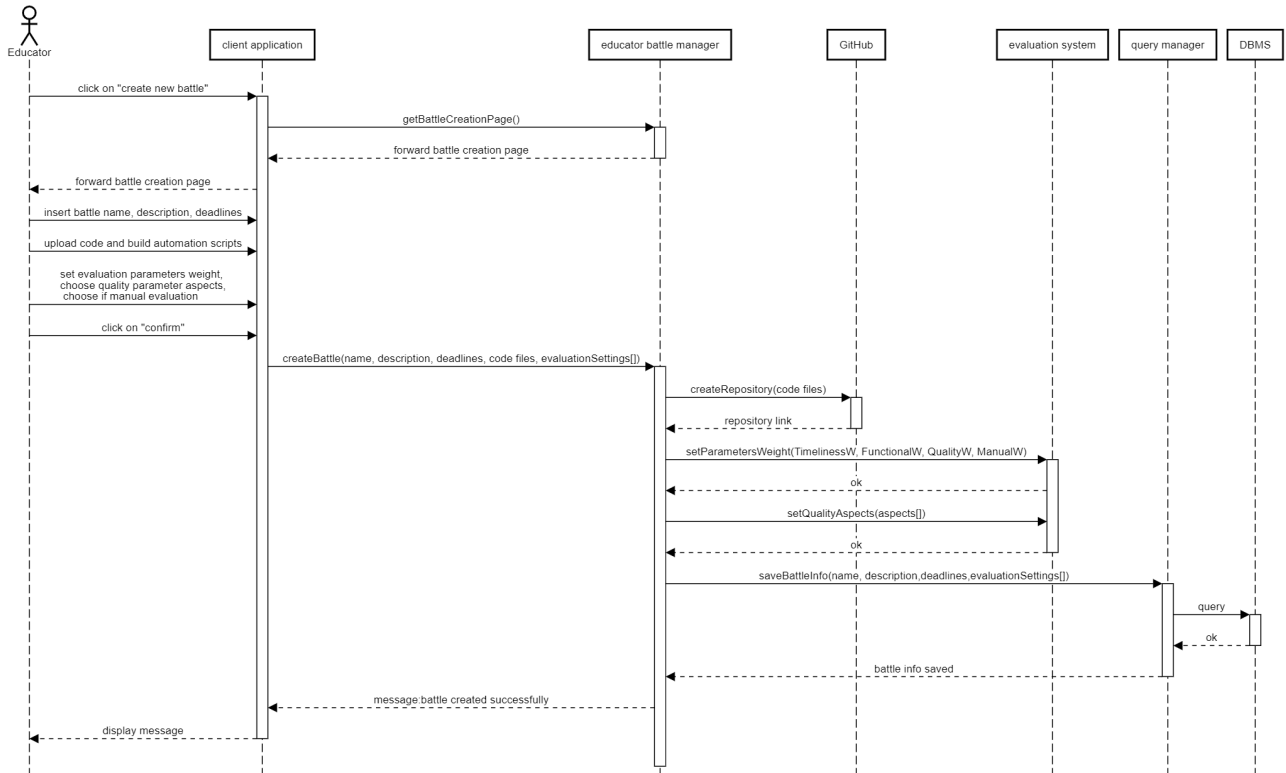


Figure 14: Educator creates a battle

## Invite educators to a Tournament

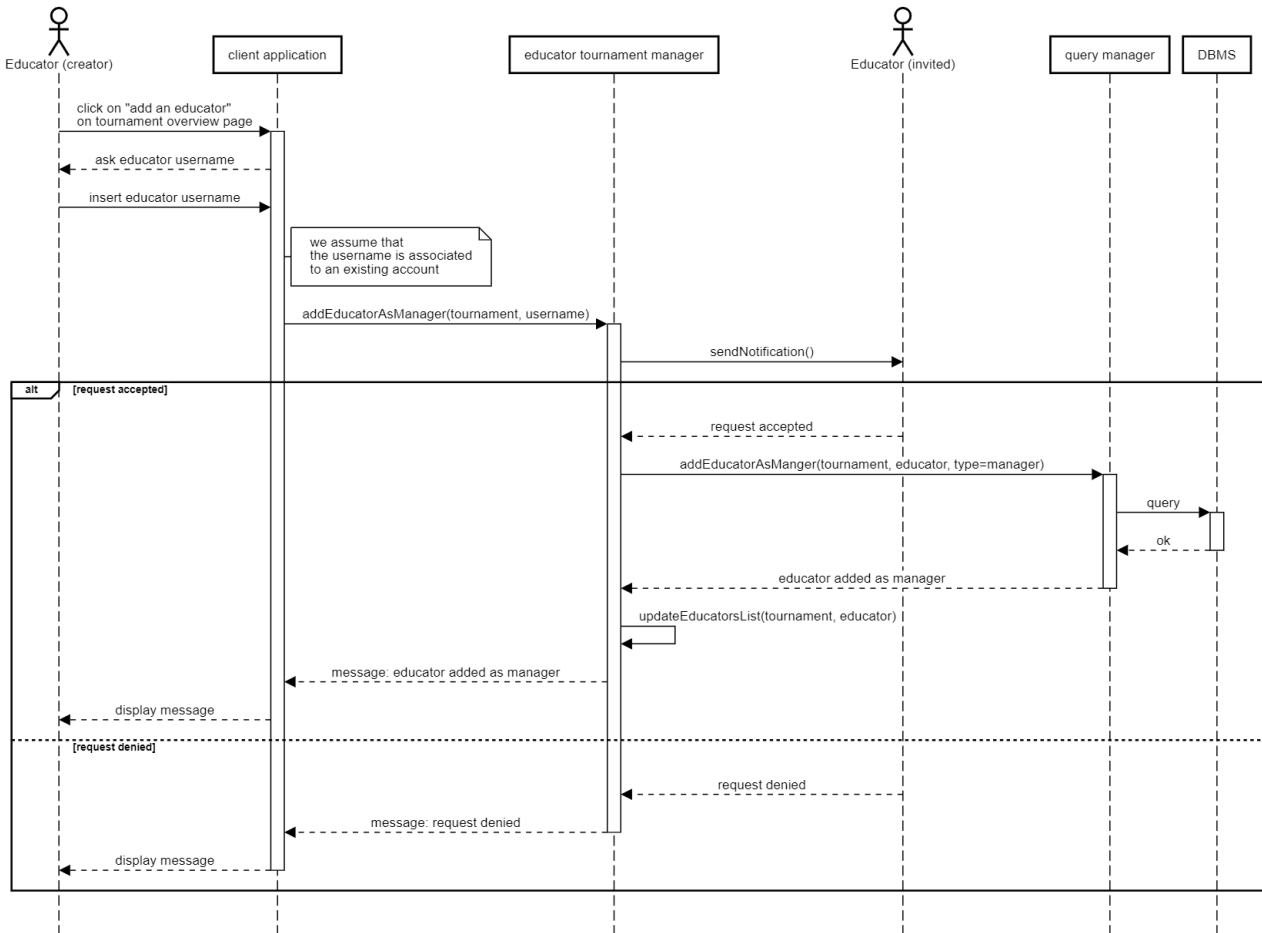


Figure 15: An educator invites another educator as tournament manager

## Battle closure

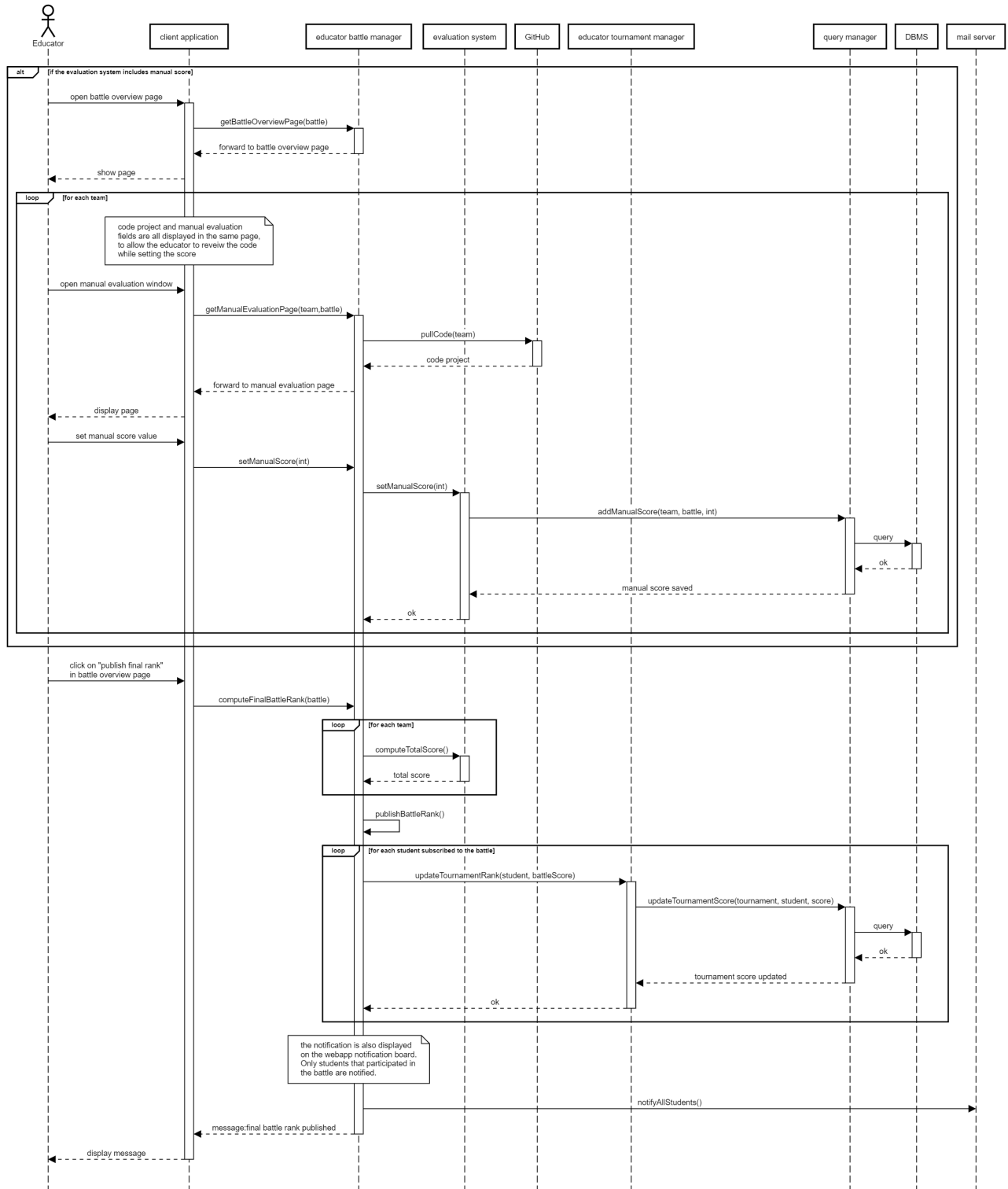


Figure 16: Closing of a battle after deadline expiration

## Tournament Closure

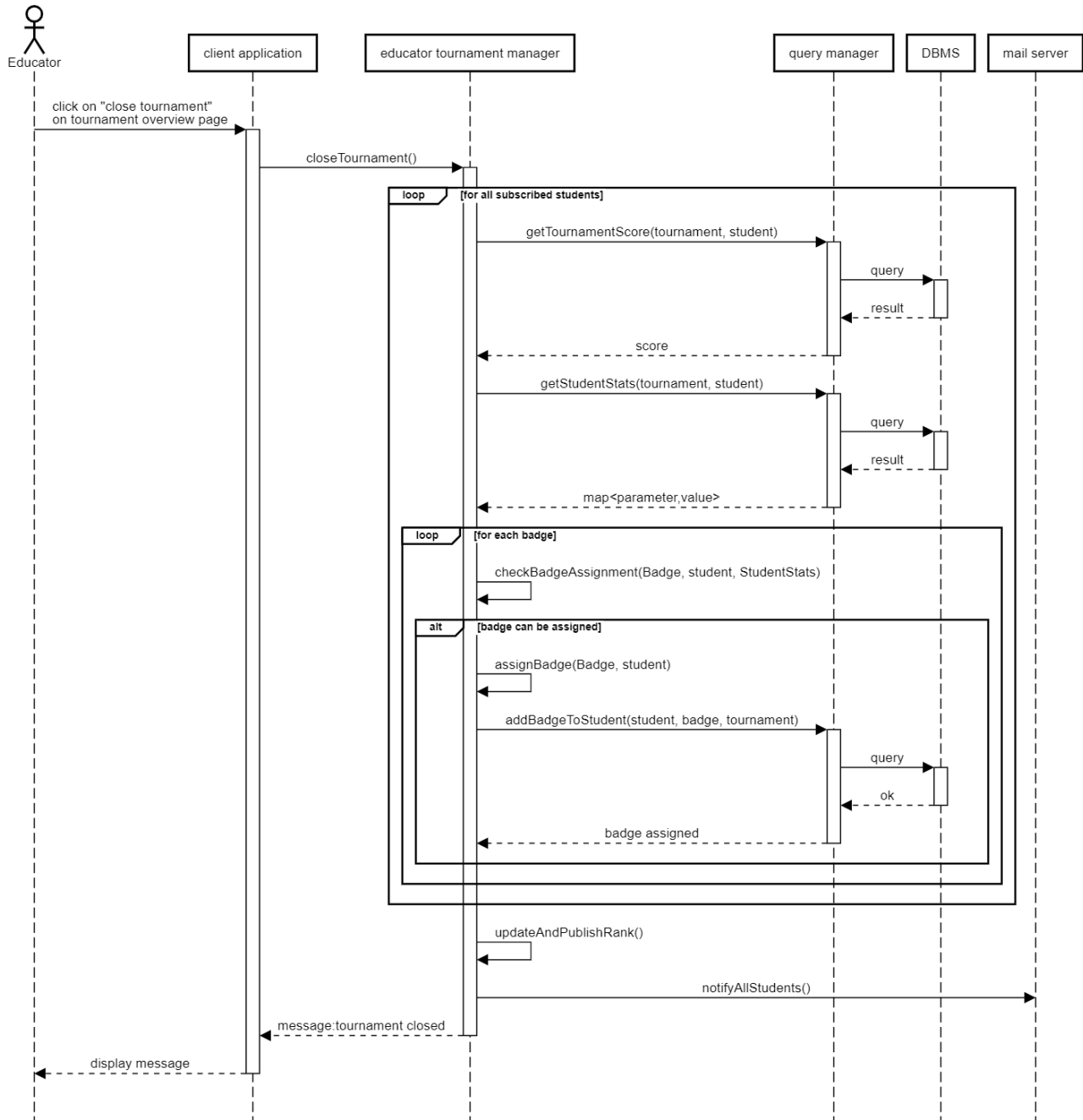


Figure 17: Closing of a tournament

## 2.5 Component Interfaces

The following diagram outlines the main methods that can be invoked on the interfaces made available by the various components, referencing the key processes detailed in the runtime view section. It is important to note that the methods presented in the *Component Interfaces diagram* should not be interpreted as the precise methods developers will write. Instead, they serve as a conceptual representation of the capabilities offered by component interfaces.

**Note:** the arrows' head are pointed towards the component whose interface is being used. So for example, the **Student Tournament Manager** component uses the **Query Manager** interface.

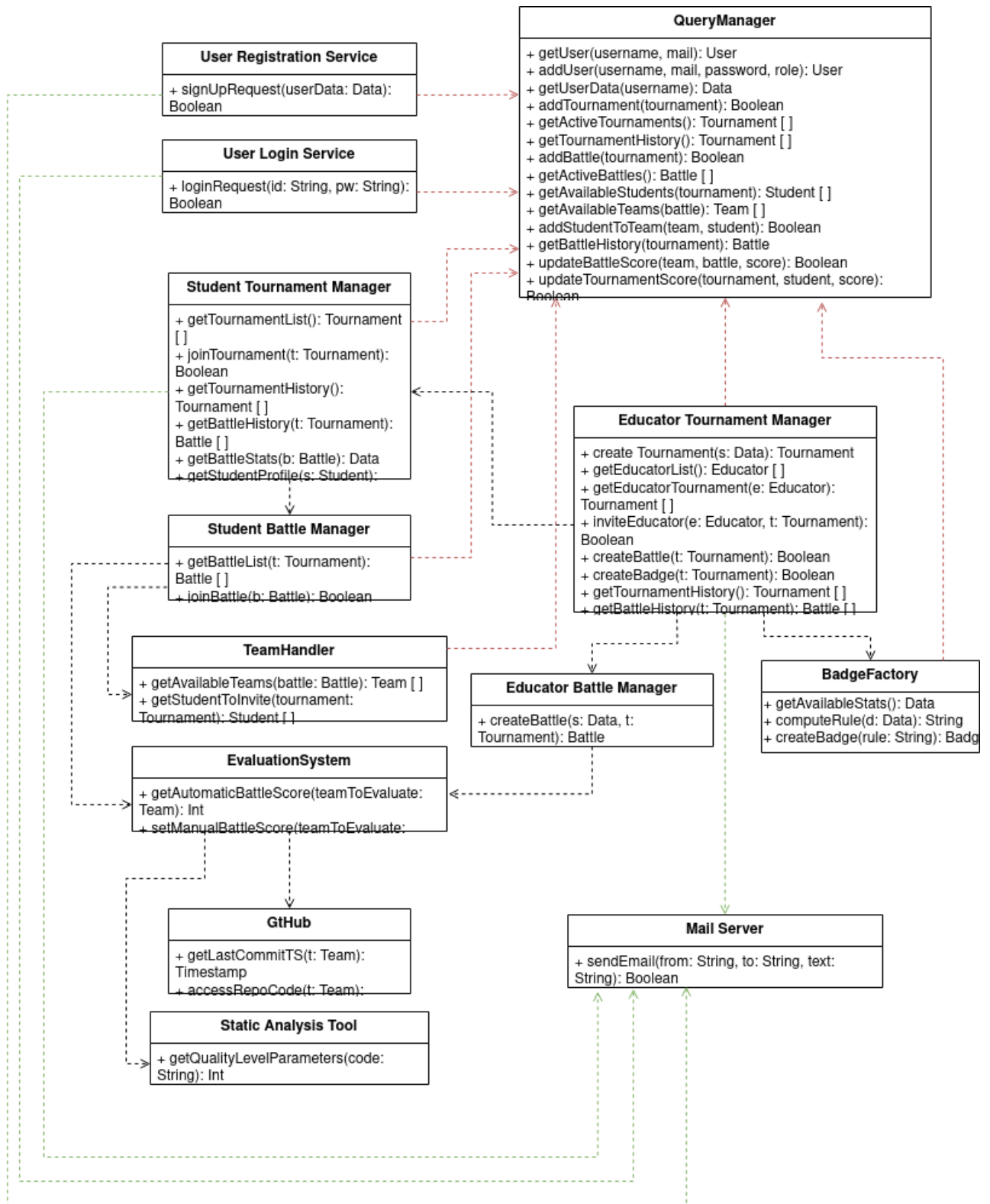


Figure 18: CKB Platform Component Diagram

## 2.6 Selected Architectural Styles and Patterns

### 3-Tier Architecture

As previously discussed, the CKB Platform is structured on a **3-tier Client-Server Architecture**. This architectural choice ensures the system's scalability, modularity, and maintainability, while also guaranteeing platform independence. Additionally, the components within the application server are designed to maintain cohesiveness and exhibit low coupling among modules, with advantages in terms of comprehensibility and modifiability within the system.

#### Model View Controller (MVC)

The MVC pattern separates the concerns of data management (Model), presentation (View), and request handling (Controller). This separation enhances modularity, maintainability, and flexibility in developing and managing server-side logic. In the context of a 3-tier architecture:

1. The **View** corresponds to the presentation tier, responsible for displaying information to users and receiving their input.
2. The **Controller** corresponds to the business logic tier, managing the flow of data and business rules.
3. The **Model** corresponds to the data storage tier, handling the storage and retrieval of data.

#### Observer Pattern

This pattern relies on two categories of objects: the **Subjects** and the **Observers**. The Subject is an object that can change its state, while the Observer is subscribed to the Subject. Whenever a Subject change its state the Observer is automatically notified. In the CKB Platform context, this pattern can be used in the **EvaluationSystem** component: whenever a Team commits new code to the Repository associated with a Battle, the **GitHubRepo** object (acting as the Subject) automatically informs the **EvaluationSystem** object (the Observer) about the new commit. This triggers the EvaluationSystem component that will compute the Team's CokeKata evaluation, updating the real-time score for the Team.

### 3 User Interface Design

This chapter showcases mockups of the key pages of the CKB WebApp. While predominantly displayed in desktop format, all pages of the WebApp are equally accessible in a mobile format. The design of the Web Application interface adheres to responsive principles, ensuring optimal usability on mobile devices as well.

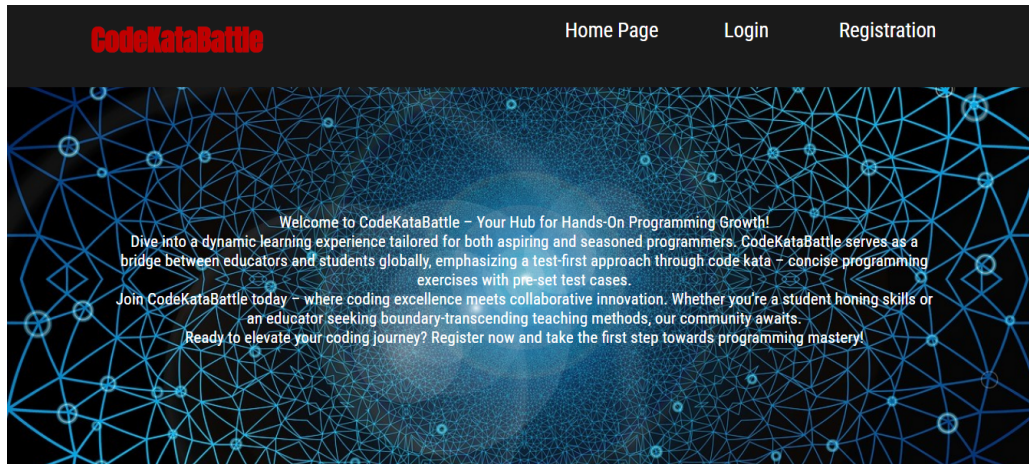


Figure 19: CKB Home Page

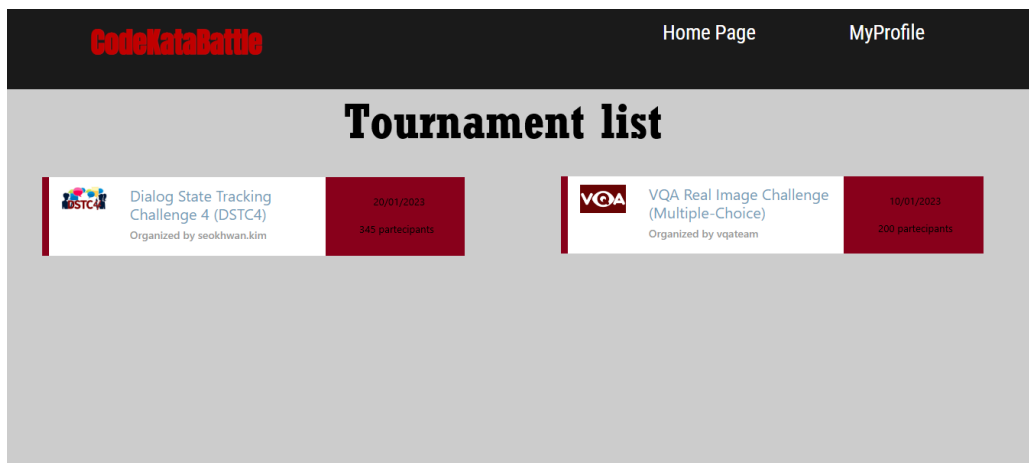


Figure 20: This is the page where the student can join one or multiple available tournaments

CodeKataBattle			Home Page	MyProfile
Description		Battle list	Tournament Rank	
Position	Name		Points	
1	John31		103	
2	Frank.3		97	
3	Liz_45		80	

Figure 21: CKB Tournament Rank



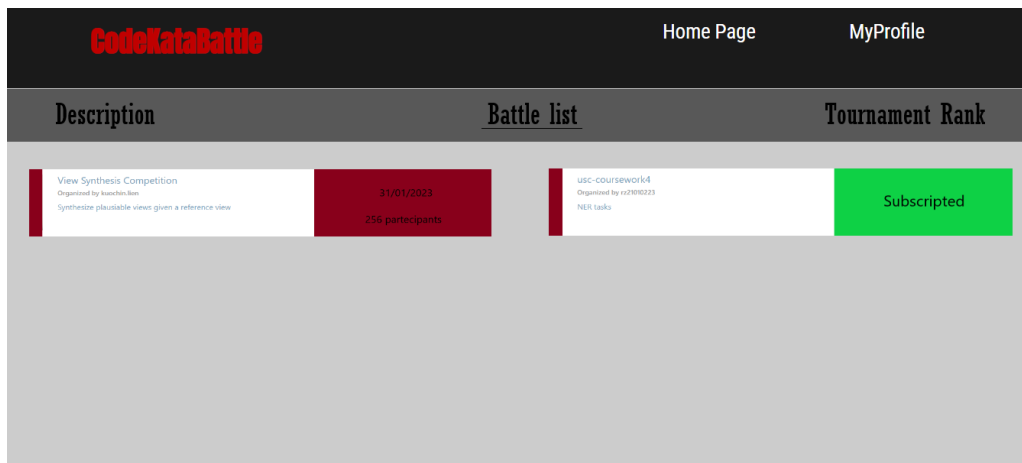


Figure 22: This is the page where the student can join one or multiple battles in a tournament he has joined

CodeKataBattle			Home Page	MyProfile
Battle Rank				
Position	Name		Points	
1	NetworkRunners		78	
2	Pandas4x4		67	
3	GradientDesc		55	

Figure 23: CKB Battle Rank


CodeKataBattle					Home Page	MyProfile
Badge Creation						
number_of_battle	>	5	1	Name		
final_score	>=	100	2	Top student		
				Description		
				For all the student that have obtained an high score and have participated in at least five battles.		
<div> <div>(</div> <div>rule1</div> <div>AND</div> <div>rule2</div> <div>)</div> </div>				Symbol		
<div> <div>add rule</div> <div>OK</div> <div>Cancel</div> </div>						


Figure 24: This is the page where the educator can set the rules for a badge during the tournament creation process

Code  
Kata  
Battle





Home Page
MyProfile


Personal  
Informations

Past  
Tournaments



VQA Real Image Challenge  
(Multiple-Choice)  
Organized by vqateam



Dialog State Tracking  
Challenge 4 (DSTC4)  
Organized by seokhwan.kim






Figure 25: This is the page where are presented all the tournaments that a student has participated and all the badges he has won

## 4 Requirement Traceability

Components	Requirements
WebApp	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8, R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, R16, R17, R18, R19, R20, R21, R22, R23, R24, R25, R26, R27, R28, R29
User registration service	R1
User login service	R2
Educator Tournament Manager	R4, R5, R6, R7, R8, R9, R11, R27, R28, R29
Educator battle manager	R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, R16, R25, R26
BadgeFactory	R6
Student tournament manager	R10, R24
Student Battle Manager	R17, R18, R19, R20, R21, R22, R23, R24
Evaluation system	R24
TeamHandler	R17, R18, R19, R20, R21, R22, R23
Static Analysis Tool	R24, R25
Github	R24
Mail server	R9, R16, R18, R20, R26, R28
Query manager and Database	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, R17, R19, R21, R22, R23, R24, R25, R26, R27, R28, R29

The following list shows the **Functional Requirements** of the CKB system, which are the same reported in the RASD document:

- R1** : The system must allow an unregistered user to register an account with personal informations and define a username.
- R2** : The system must allow a registered user to login into his account.
- R3** : The system must allow registered educators to create a new tournament.
- R4** : The system must allow registered educators to write a description for the tournament during a tournament creation process.
- R5** : The system must allow registered educators to set a subscription deadline during a tournament creation process.
- R6** : The system must allow registered educators to define badge's names and rules during a tournament creation process.
- R7** : The system must allow registered educators to give permission to other educators to create battles in the tournament they have created.
- R8** : The system must allow registered educators to accept or deny the permission for the creation of battles by another educator.
- R9** : The system must allow registered students to be notified (also via e-mail) when a new tournament is created.
- R10** : The system must allow registered students to subscribe to a new tournament until the registration deadline expires.
- R11** : The system must allow registered educators with permission to create a new battle within an existing tournament.
- R12** : The system must allow registered educators to upload the code kata during a battle creation process.

- R13 :** The system must allow registered educators to set minimum and maximum team's members number during a battle creation process.
- R14 :** The system must allow registered educators to set a submission deadline and a finish deadline during a battle creation process.
- R15 :** The system must allow registered educators to set scoring parameters during a battle creation process.
- R16 :** The system must allow registered students to be notified (also via e-mail) when a new battle is created in a tournament they are involved.
- R17 :** The system must allow registered students to form teams for a battle.
- R18 :** The system must allow registered students to invite other students to join their team.
- R19 :** The system must allow registered students to accept or deny the invite by another student to be part of his team.
- R20 :** The system must allow registered students to send a request to join an existing team for a battle they want to join.
- R21 :** The system must allow registered students to accept or deny a request to join their team by another student.
- R22 :** The system must allow registered students to quit their team before joining the battle.
- R23 :** The system must allow registered students to join battles within tournaments they're subscribed to.
- R24 :** The system must allow registered students to track their score every time they perform a push on the GitHub repository of their project.
- R25 :** The system must allow registered educators to perform the manual evaluation of the codes and assign a personal score during the consolidation stage.
- R26 :** The system must allow registered students to be notified (also via e-mail) when the final battle rank is available.
- R27 :** The system must allow registered educators to close tournaments (if they are the one that have created the tournament).
- R28 :** The system must allow registered students to be notified (also via e-mail) when the final tournament rank is available.
- R29 :** The system must allow registered users to visualize badges obtained by the students (in their personal profile and also in the final tournament rank).

## 5 Implementation, Integration and Test Plan

### 5.1 Introduction

Describing how and the order of the implementation is crucial to be able to develop a well structured software. Unit testing and integration testing are also fundamental to avoid bugs, errors and to check if all the functionalities are well implemented.

### 5.2 Implementation Plan

A bottom-up strategy is the best way to develop this kind of software, starting from the low level components, like the QueryManager, and ending with the WebApp. The following list shows the order in which the internal components must be implemented:

- Data
- QueryManager
- Tournament Management Service:
  - Evaluation System
  - TeamHandler
  - Student Battle Manager
  - Student Tournament Manager
  - BadgeFactory
  - Educator Battle Manager
  - Educator Tournament Manager
- Access Manager Service
  - User Login Service
  - User Registration Service
- WebApp

The external components are not presented since they are assumed to be already implemented.

### 5.3 Integration Strategy

The following diagrams show step by step how each component of the system is implemented and integrated with the others, according to the order described above. For clarification, the arrows in the diagrams below indicate the relationships between the various components and the implementation status of the relationship. A dashed arrow indicates that the relationship is being implemented at that stage of implementation. Instead, the solid arrow indicates that the relationship has already been implemented. In each integration step it is necessary to run integration tests to check if the integration is successful.

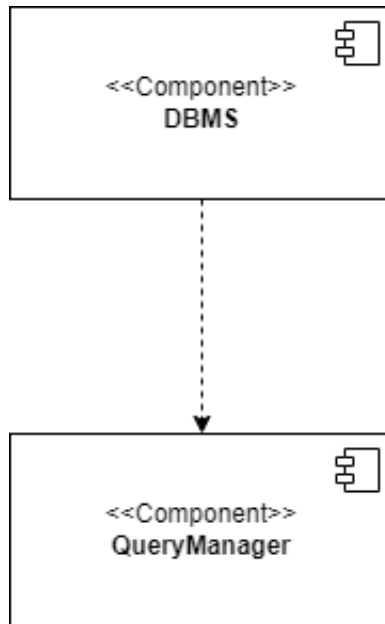


Figure 26: The implementation and testing of the QueryManager component

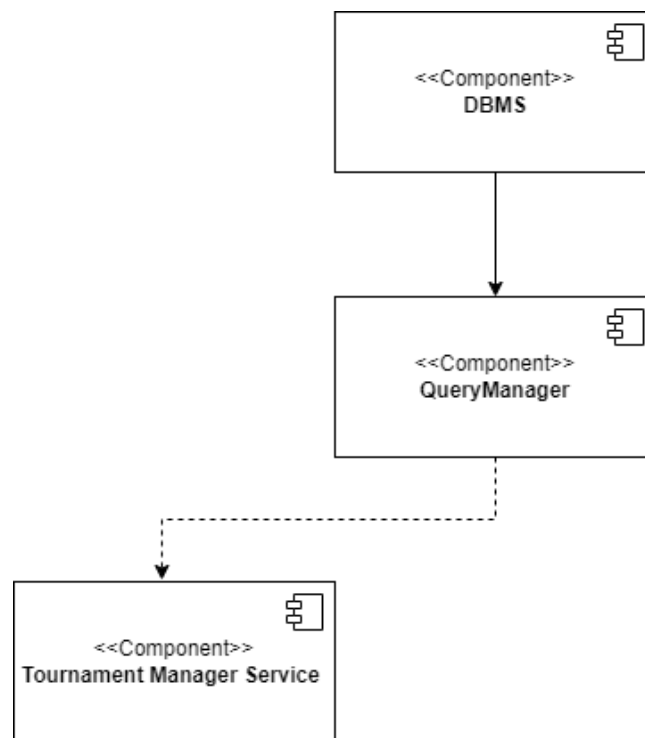


Figure 27: The implementation and testing of the Tournament Manager Service component

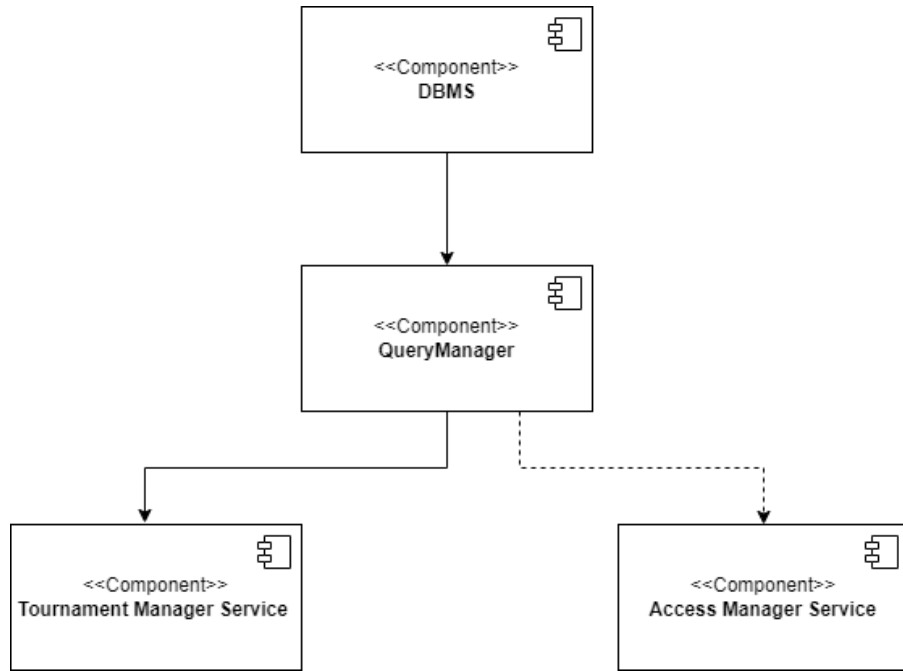


Figure 28: The implementation and testing of the Login Manager Service component

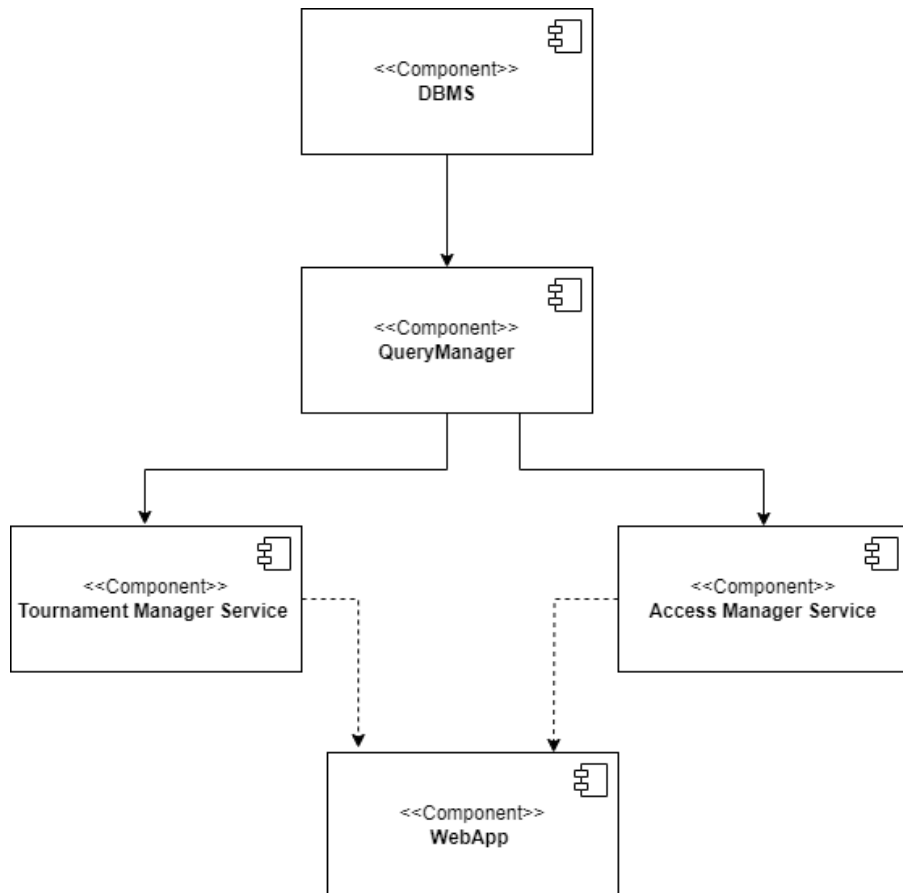


Figure 29: The implementation and testing of the WebApp component

## 5.4 System Testing

When the system is fully developed and all the integration tests are successfully passed, it is necessary to verify the system correctness with the system testing. The system testing concerns the functional

and non-functional requirements described in the RASD and the performance evaluation. The system testing is divided in:

- Functional testing: To evaluate the compliance of the system with specified functional and non-functional requirements.
- Performance testing: To determine how the system performs in terms of scalability, reliability and resource usage. It also identifies bottlenecks affecting response time, utilization, throughput.
- Load testing: To measure the response of putting demand on the system. It shows bugs such as memory leaks, mismanagement of memory, buffer overflows.
- Stress testing: To measure the robustness, availability and error handling by testing beyond the limits of normal operation.

## 6 Effort Spent

The following tables display the effort spent by each member of the group.

### Daniele Gagni

Chapter	Hours
Introduction	1h (1h together)
Architectural Design	12h (4h together)
User Interface Design	3h (3h together)
Requirements Traceability	2h (2h together)
Implementation, Integration and Test Plan	0.5h (0.5h together)

### Guglielmelli Isabella

Chapter	Hours
Introduction	1.5h (1h together)
Architectural Design	13h (4h together)
User Interface Design	3h (3h together)
Requirements Traceability	3h (2h together)
Implementation, Integration and Test Plan	0.5h (0.5h together)

### Mariotti Marco

Chapter	Hours
Introduction	1h (1h together)
Architectural Design	4h (4h together)
User Interface Design	13h (3h together)
Requirements Traceability	2h (2h together)
Implementation, Integration and Test Plan	1.5h (0.5h together)

## 7 References

- SonarQube
- GitHub