Design Document for Savour

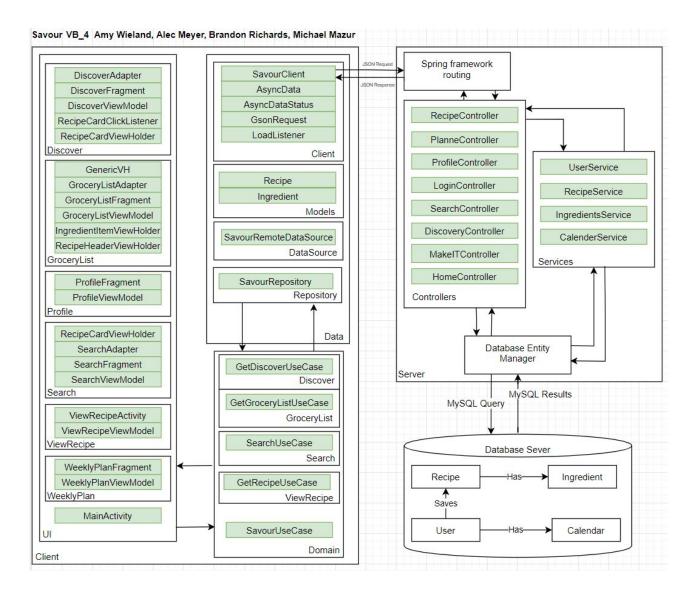
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Frontend

The frontend application uses the MVVM architecture. The source code is split into UI, Domain, and Data layers, each in their own package. The UI layer holds all code related to the UI, such as Activities, Fragments, and ViewModels. Activities and Fragments observe live data in their respective ViewModel, and when necessary, the ViewModel will run a Use Case in the domain layer. Use cases handle business logic between the UI and Data layer, such as asking the data layer for data or manipulating data before sending or receiving. Our use cases usually ask the main data layer component, SavourRepository, for the data. The repository checks to see if the requested data is stored in the local data source, and if it is not, uses the remote data source to fetch the data. The remote data source asks SavourClient to request a certain endpoint and expect a JSON response that is then decoded into a POJO. The SavourClient is responsible for the Volley request queue that fetches the data from the remote server.

Backend

The Backend of the Savour application uses the help of Spring-boot's framework in order to handle network interfaces and incoming API requests. These endpoints use RESTful API to communicate the status of request mappings to and from the frontend using ResponseEntities. These Response Entities will send a string, detailing a description of the current state in the backend as well as a HttpStatus on the matter. This will allow effective communication with the front end. We set up the backend so that each panel in the frontend has an accompanying RESTController with its respective request mappings. This makes it easier to debug, reduces GOD classes, and makes it easier to read other people's code. In order to accompany these controllers are repos, services, and MySQL tables. The repos will store data on the MySQL tables, making it easy for the frontend to retrieve/save important data. In order to add further functionality and support to the repository interfaces, we have implemented services in order to aid in complex database relationships between separate tables, and to add further functionality while writing separating the logic in a different layer than the @RestController class files.

