## ReadySelectPlay - Requirements Analysis

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#### **Interaction Scenarios:**

## Interaction Scenario 1:

Patty Hosta opens the ReadySelectPlay application and creates a new party room. She then enters a list of usernames thereby inviting them to the party room. All the users whose usernames were entered by Patty receive a notification saying they have received an invite. The users then accept or reject the invite. If someone rejects the party invite, they are removed from the party.

Patty, as well as all the other users, are presented with a search tab where they can search and enter the games that they have brought to the game night. The users can enter any number of games and submit their list. Patty then receives a list of games containing all games entered by the users including her. She can either reject or accept their games. If accepted, the games are added to the list which contains all the board games that are currently available at the party. The users then see the final list of board games which would be present in the party as well as their details such as the game category, the number of players required, average game time etc.

#### Interaction Scenario 2:

It is Friday night and Patty is excited for another of her weekly board game nights. Everyone gathers together and it is now time to decide what to play. Patty brings up the party room and most of the guests bring up the room view on their phones as well. She takes a head count of the number of people there. It's getting closer to the end of a semester so a few of her grad student friends had to decline; today's group is smaller than usual; only about six people.

She tells the group it's time to decide what games to play and starts asking people what sorts of games they want to play that night. Annie mentions that she can only stay for an hour since she has been busy finishing up her thesis the past couple of weeks and really needs the sleep. Patty opens up the filters menu and selects the "max game length" option, setting it to under 1 hour. The game list updates automatically and now she and everyone else viewing on their phone can view the filtered list of games that take less than an hour to play. Dee Dee then chimes in and says she would like to play a card-drafting game, like one of her favorites *Ticket to Ride* or *Dominion*. Everyone is okay with that game category so Patty brings up the filter menu again and sets the category filter to only show card-drafting games that take under an hour. At this point, everyone is satisfied with the filters and has started discussing which of the games on the list they would prefer the most.

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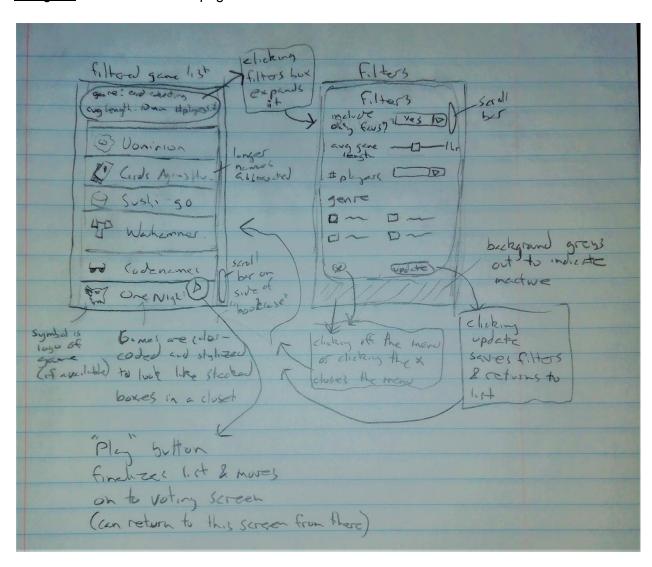
Once Patty feels that no more game or preferences/constraints are left to be added, she announces the beginning of the voting process by starting it in the application. Each of the party member in the application can see that voting has begun and opens up the filtered list of board games. They look at all those games, views its details like game type, playing time, description,

game mechanics, etc. and decide a game to vote for. They then vote for that game and wait until everyone else has voted or Patty decides to end the voting process.

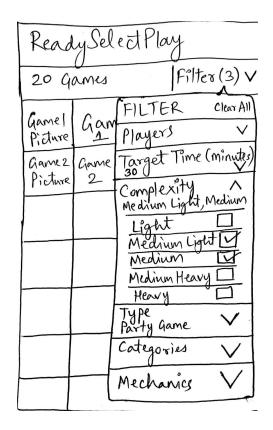
If all the members have voted or if the time frame chosen verbally by everyone has passed, Patty ends the voting process and if there is a game that has got the highest number of votes then that game is selected to be played at the game night and its displayed to everyone. In case multiple games get the highest number of votes i.e. if its a tie then Patty spins the wheel in the application as a tiebreaker to finally decide which game would be played. Everyone then plays that randomly selected game.

## Design Options for Task 2: Applying filters to the list of board games

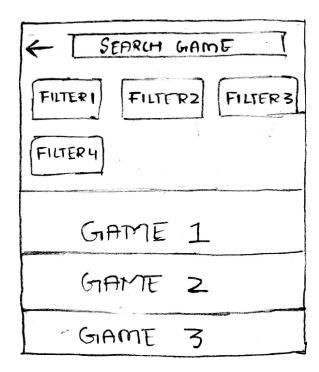
Design 1: A fullscreen filters page



Design 2: A collapsible filters menu



Design 3: Filters fixed above the board games' list permanently



# Pros and Cons of each designs:

	Pros	Cons	
Design 1	<ul> <li>Fullscreen view for entering filters, so more space for mentioning filter options</li> <li>Less scrolling needed as more number of filters can fit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Filters cannot be applied on the same screen where games are displayed, clicking on filters directs to a new page</li> <li>While applying filters, the updated filtered list of games cannot be tracked on the go, need to go back to view the filtered list of games</li> </ul>	
Design 2	<ul> <li>Collapsible filters menu makes it easy to track the filtered list of games on the fly, no need to go back and forth.</li> <li>The user stays on the same screen while applying filters.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>As compared to Design 1, there is less space for filters menu</li> <li>More scrolling compared to design 1 since less screen space is allotted for the menu.</li> </ul>	
Design 3	<ul> <li>The filters tab, as well as each filter, is always visible above the list of games, making both accessible simultaneously.</li> <li>The filtered list of games can be tracked as and when filters are being applied.</li> <li>The user stays on the same screen while applying filters.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Accommodates quite an amount of space above the games' list permanently, giving a much lesser view for the list.</li> <li>Having many filters drastically reduces the amount of space allowed for viewing the list of games.</li> </ul>	

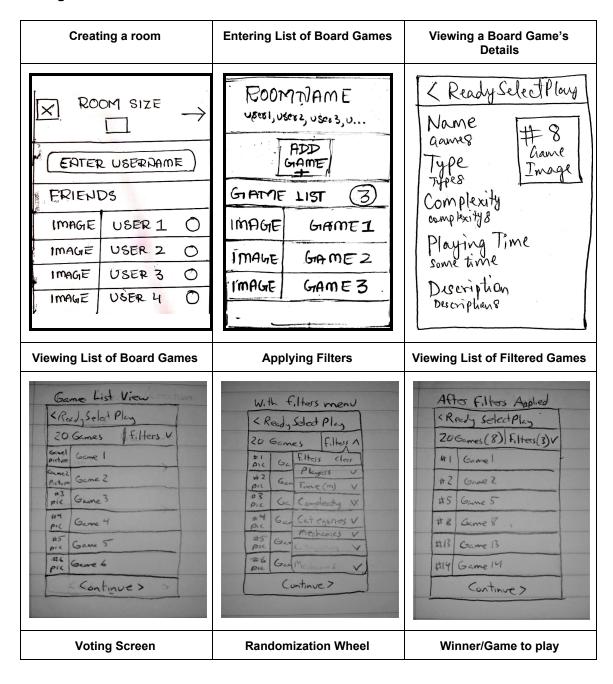
**Design Choice: Design 2** 

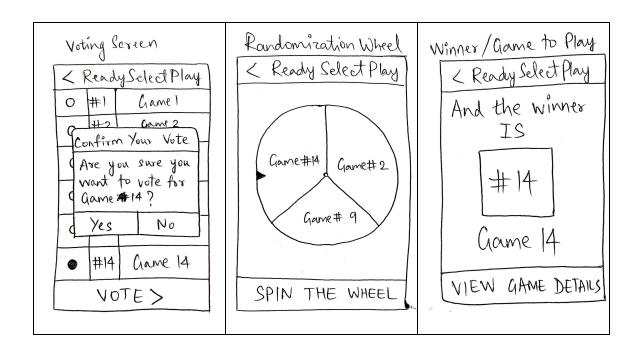
#### Reasoning:

Design 1: It is worse if the user applying the filters is not sure which filters need to be applied for sure and need to go back and forth between applied filters and an updated list of games. In the case of filtering board games, there are just 6-8 filters, so fullscreen is not that useful. Also, party host, while applying filters, may get no results after putting a filter and would like to undo it, which is difficult in Design 1. Whereas in Design 2, party host can view the result of each filter application then and there. So, the advantage of Design 1 is not that needed and its disadvantage is a big one which Design 2 tackles elegantly.

Design 3: This would be the best choice if there would have been just 2-3 filters and filters with only options and not input filters. However, there would be about 6-8 filters and also filters asking for inputs like the number of players and playing time. Plus, the list of games being an important view, trading its space with space for filters is not an ideal solution. Design 2 solves it by providing a collapsible filters menu, which opens up on the same screen as well. Also, many filters can be supported as vertical scrolling in the filters menu is supported, along with support for input type filters.

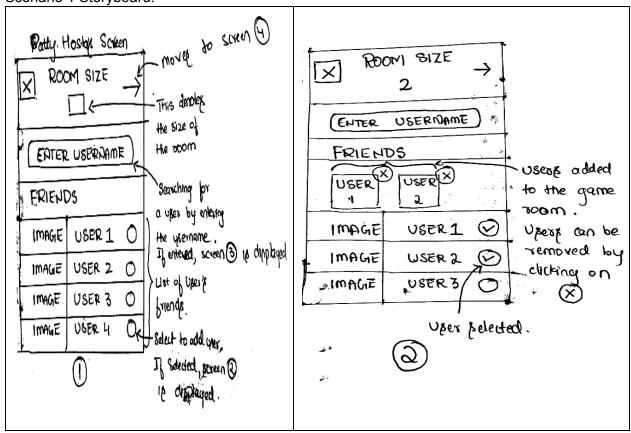
#### **Overall Design:**

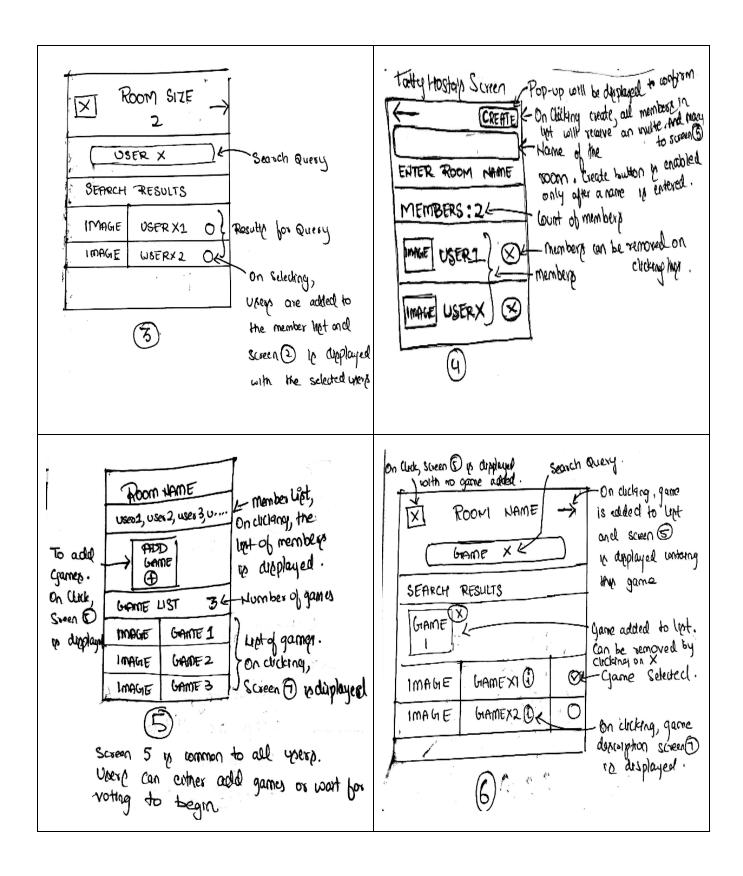


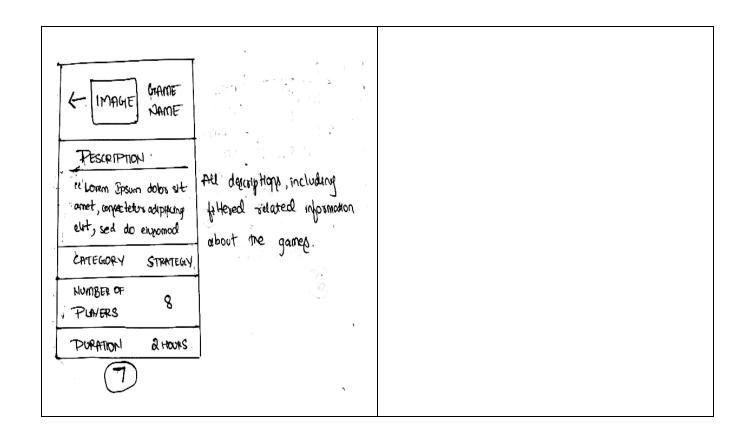


# **Scenario Storyboards:**

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Scenario 2 Storyboard:

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