Travel/Hotel Booking Website (Airbnb-like)

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Problem Understanding

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Design a comprehensive travel and accommodation booking platform that enables users to search, compare, and book properties/experiences while providing hosts with tools to manage their listings, similar to Airbnb, Booking.com, or VRBO. The system must handle complex search filters, real-time availability, dynamic pricing, and secure payment processing while delivering an intuitive user experience.

Functional Requirements

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- **Property Search**: Location-based search with maps, date/guest filters, advanced criteria
- **Listing Management**: Property creation, photo uploads, availability calendar, pricing rules
- **Booking Flow**: Multi-step booking process, payment handling, confirmation system
- **User Profiles**: Guest and host profiles, verification system, reviews and ratings
- **Communication**: In-app messaging, automated notifications, booking updates
- **Payment System**: Secure payments, multiple payment methods, refund processing
- **Review System**: Bidirectional reviews, photo uploads, response management
- **Map Integration**: Interactive maps, property locations, neighborhood information

Non-Functional Requirements

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- **Performance**: <3s page load, <500ms search results, optimized image loading
- **Scalability**: Handle millions of properties, concurrent bookings, peak traffic
- **Availability**: 99.9% uptime, graceful degradation during high traffic
- **Security**: PCI compliance, secure payment processing, data encryption
- **Mobile Optimization**: Responsive design, progressive web app features
- **SEO**: Server-side rendering, structured data, optimized meta tags
- **Accessibility**: WCAG 2.1 AA compliance, screen reader support
- **Global Support**: Multi-language, multi-currency, regional compliance

Key Assumptions

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- Property inventory: 1M+ active listings globally
- Peak concurrent users: 100K+ during booking surges
- Average booking value: $100-$500 per reservation
- Search-to-booking conversion: 2-5% industry standard
- Mobile traffic: 60-70% of total traffic
- Geographic distribution: Global with regional peaks
- Payment processing: Multiple currencies, international cards
- Image storage: 10-50 high-quality photos per property

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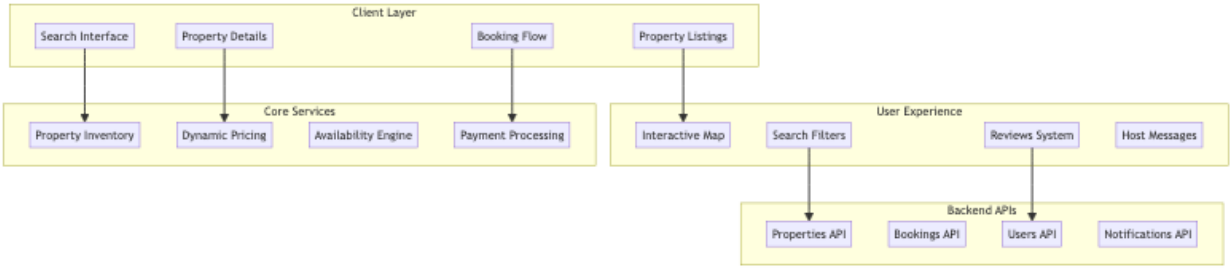

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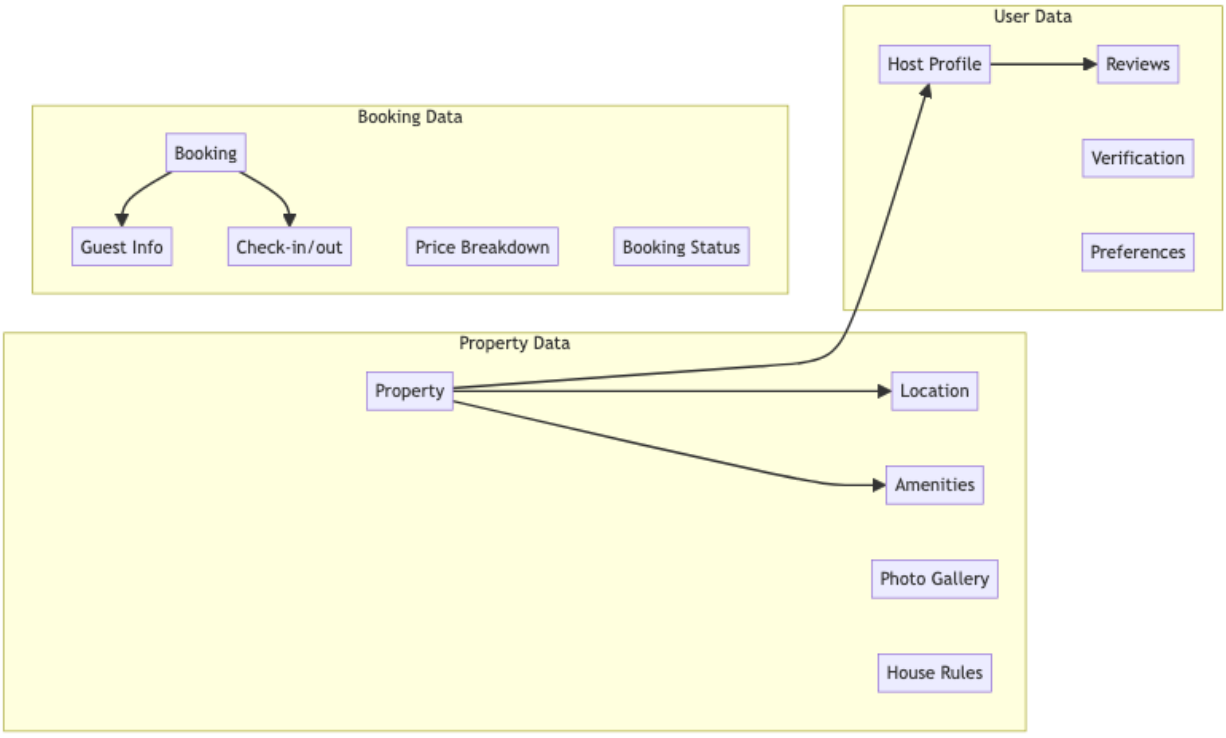

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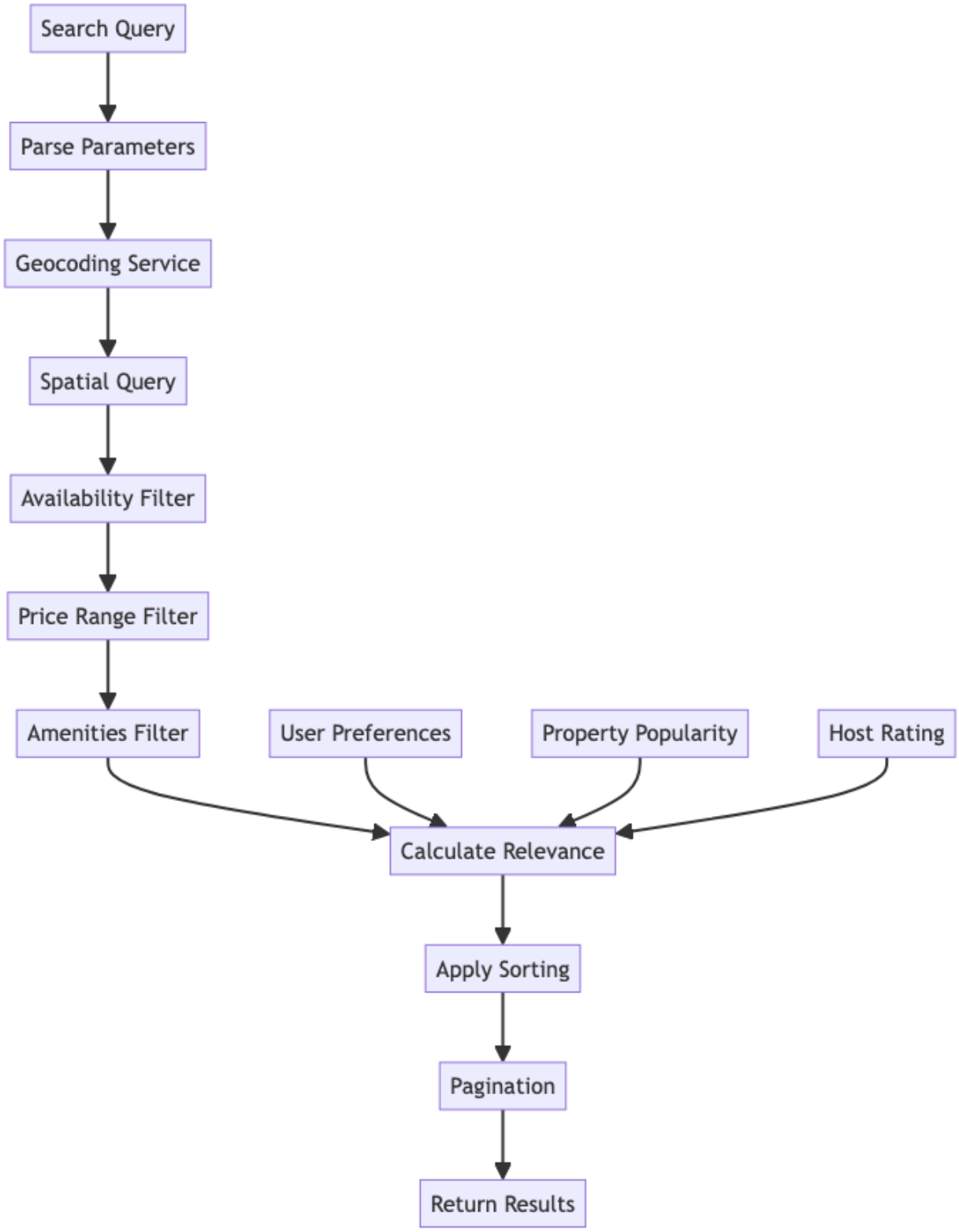
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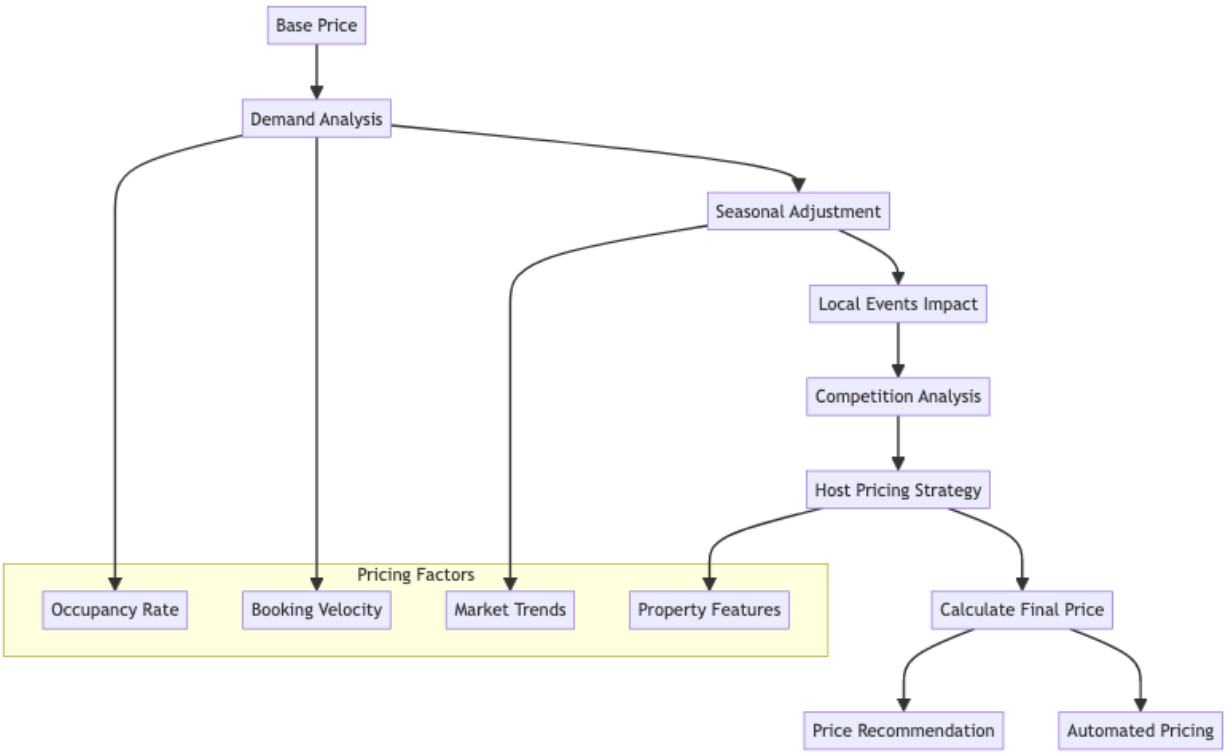

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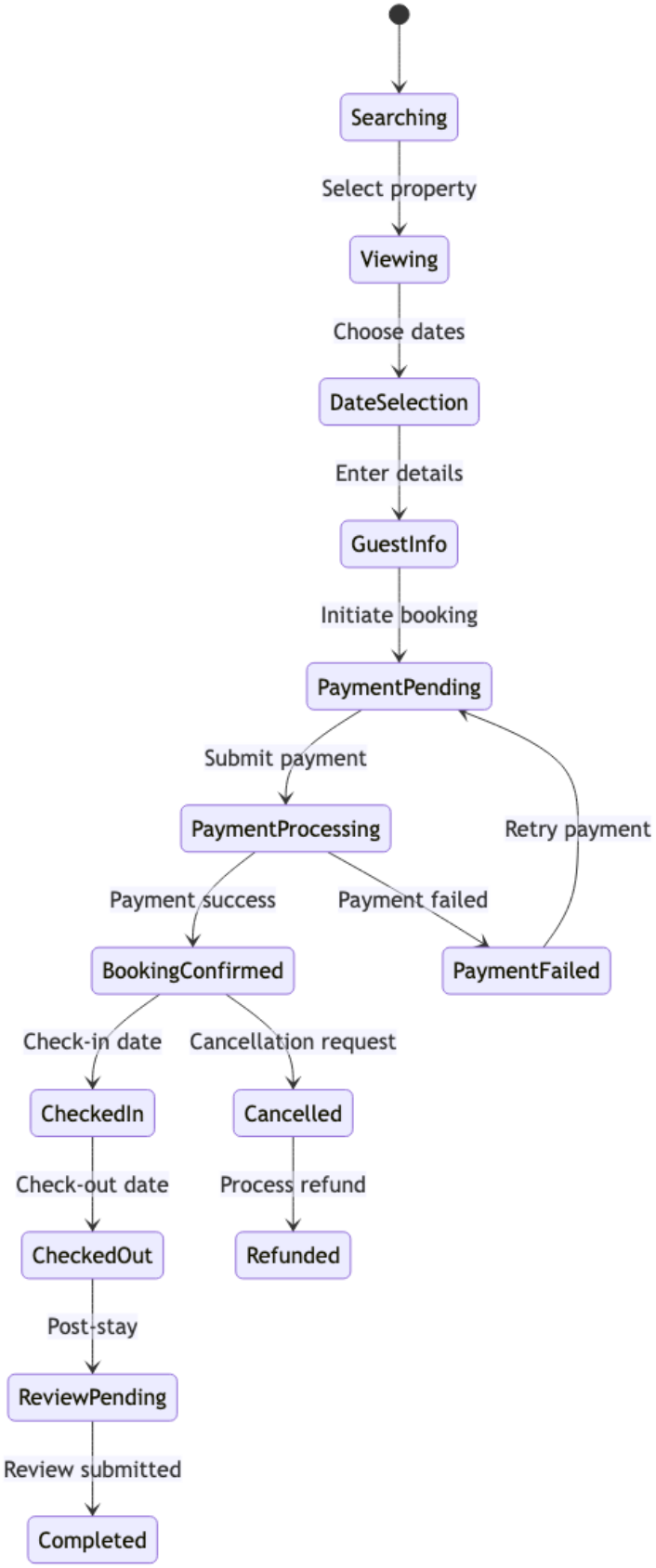
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Core Algorithms

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1. Property Search and Ranking Algorithm

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Purpose: Find and rank properties based on user preferences and relevance.

Search Parameters:

```
SearchQuery = {
  location: string,
  checkIn: Date,
  checkOut: Date,
  guests: number,
  priceRange: { min: number, max: number },
  amenities: string[],
  propertyType: string[],
  instantBook: boolean
}
```

Ranking Algorithm:

```
function calculatePropertyScore(property, query, userHistory):
  baseScore = 0

  // Location relevance (40%)
  locationScore = calculateLocationRelevance(property.location, query.location)
  baseScore += locationScore * 0.4

  // Price competitiveness (25%)
  priceScore = calculatePriceScore(property.price, query.priceRange, marketAverage)
  baseScore += priceScore * 0.25

  // Property quality (20%)
  qualityScore = (property.rating * 0.6) + (property.reviewCount * 0.4)
  baseScore += normalizeScore(qualityScore) * 0.2

  // Amenities match (10%)
  amenitiesScore = calculateAmenitiesMatch(property.amenities, query.amenities)
  baseScore += amenitiesScore * 0.1
```

```
  // Personalization (5%)
  personalScore = calculatePersonalization(property, userHistory)
  baseScore += personalScore * 0.05

  return baseScore
```

Location Relevance Calculation: - Use geographic distance with decay function - Consider transportation accessibility - Weight popular neighborhoods higher - Factor in local attractions proximity

2. Availability Management Algorithm

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Purpose: Track and manage property availability across multiple platforms.

Availability State:

```
AvailabilityCalendar = {
  propertyId: string,
  dates: Map<Date, AvailabilityStatus>,
  blockedPeriods: DateRange[],
  minimumStay: number,
  maximumStay: number
}

AvailabilityStatus = 'available' | 'booked' | 'blocked' | 'maintenance'
```

Conflict Resolution:

```
function checkAvailability(propertyId, checkIn, checkOut):
  calendar = getPropertyCalendar(propertyId)
  requestedDates = generateDateRange(checkIn, checkOut)

  for date in requestedDates:
    status = calendar.dates.get(date)

    if status !== 'available':
      return { available: false, conflictDate: date, reason: status }

  // Check minimum/maximum stay requirements
  stayDuration = calculateDuration(checkIn, checkOut)

  if stayDuration < calendar.minimumStay:
    return { available: false, reason: 'minimum_stay_not_met' }
```

```
  if stayDuration > calendar.maximumStay:
    return { available: false, reason: 'maximum_stay_exceeded' }

  return { available: true }
```

Calendar Synchronization: - Real-time updates across all platforms - Handle double-booking prevention - Implement optimistic locking for concurrent bookings - Support bulk availability updates

3. Dynamic Pricing Algorithm

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Purpose: Automatically adjust property prices based on market conditions.

Pricing Factors:

```
PricingFactors = {
  baseDemand: number,        // Historical booking patterns
  seasonalDemand: number,    // Seasonal variations
  localEvents: Event[],      // Conferences, festivals, etc.
  competitorPricing: number, // Market rates
  propertyFeatures: number,  // Unique selling points
  bookingVelocity: number,   // Recent booking speed
  occupancyRate: number      // Current occupancy
}
```

Price Calculation:

```
function calculateOptimalPrice(property, targetDate, factors):
  basePrice = property.basePrice

  // Demand multiplier calculation
  demandMultiplier = 1.0

  // Seasonal adjustment (±30%)
  seasonalFactor = calculateSeasonalFactor(targetDate, property.location)
  demandMultiplier *= (1 + seasonalFactor * 0.3)

  // Local events impact (±50%)
  eventsFactor = calculateEventsImpact(property.location, targetDate)
  demandMultiplier *= (1 + eventsFactor * 0.5)

  // Market competition (±20%)
  competitionFactor = calculateCompetitionFactor(property, targetDate)
  demandMultiplier *= (1 + competitionFactor * 0.2)
```

```
  // Booking velocity adjustment (±15%)
  velocityFactor = calculateVelocityFactor(property, targetDate)
  demandMultiplier *= (1 + velocityFactor * 0.15)

  finalPrice = basePrice * demandMultiplier

  // Apply pricing constraints
  return applyPriceConstraints(finalPrice, property.priceRules)
```

Price Optimization Strategy: - A/B testing for price sensitivity - Machine learning for demand prediction - Host preferences and constraints - Revenue maximization algorithms

4. Review and Rating System

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Purpose: Manage and display authentic guest reviews with spam detection.

Review Processing:

```
ReviewData = {
  bookingId: string,
  guestRating: number,
  hostRating: number,
  categories: {
    cleanliness: number,
    accuracy: number,
    communication: number,
    location: number,
    checkIn: number,
    value: number
  },
  comments: string,
  photos: string[]
}
```

Review Validation Algorithm:

```
function validateReview(review, booking):
  validationScore = 0

  // Verify legitimate booking
  if not verifyBookingCompleted(review.bookingId):
    return { valid: false, reason: 'invalid_booking' }
```

```
  // Content authenticity check
  authenticityScore = checkContentAuthenticity(review.comments)
  if authenticityScore < 0.7:
    return { valid: false, reason: 'suspicious_content' }

  // Rating consistency check
  categoryAverage = calculateCategoryAverage(review.categories)
  overallRating = review.guestRating

  if Math.abs(categoryAverage - overallRating) > 1.5:
    return { valid: false, reason: 'inconsistent_ratings' }

  // Temporal validation
  timeToReview = Date.now() - booking.checkOutDate
  if timeToReview > 14 * 24 * 60 * 60 * 1000: // 14 days
    return { valid: false, reason: 'review_too_late' }

  return { valid: true }
```

Spam Detection Features: - Natural language processing for fake reviews - User behavior pattern analysis - Cross-reference with other platforms - Machine learning-based authenticity scoring

5. Map-based Property Discovery

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Purpose: Enable geographic property search with interactive map interface.

Spatial Query Optimization:

```
function findPropertiesInBounds(bounds, filters):
  // Use spatial indexing (R-tree or geohashing)
  candidateProperties = spatialIndex.query(bounds)

  // Apply filters
  filteredProperties = candidateProperties.filter(property => {
    return matchesFilters(property, filters) &&
           isAvailable(property, filters.dates) &&
           meetsGuestRequirements(property, filters.guests)
  })

  // Cluster nearby properties for map display
  clusters = clusterPropertiesByProximity(filteredProperties, bounds.zoom)
```

```
  return {
    properties: filteredProperties,
    clusters: clusters,
    bounds: calculateResultBounds(filteredProperties)
  }
```

Map Clustering Algorithm:

```
function clusterProperties(properties, zoomLevel):
  clusterRadius = calculateClusterRadius(zoomLevel)
  clusters = []
  processedProperties = new Set()

  for property in properties:
    if processedProperties.has(property.id):
      continue

    cluster = {
      center: property.location,
      properties: [property],
      averagePrice: property.price
    }

    // Find nearby properties
    nearbyProperties = findPropertiesWithinRadius(
      property.location,
      clusterRadius,
      properties
    )

    for nearbyProperty in nearbyProperties:
      if not processedProperties.has(nearbyProperty.id):
        cluster.properties.push(nearbyProperty)
        processedProperties.add(nearbyProperty.id)

    // Calculate cluster statistics
    cluster.averagePrice = calculateAveragePrice(cluster.properties)
    cluster.center = calculateClusterCenter(cluster.properties)

    clusters.push(cluster)

  return clusters
```

Component Architecture

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Booking Platform Component Hierarchy

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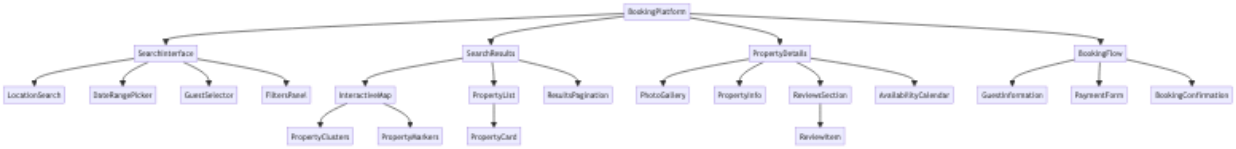

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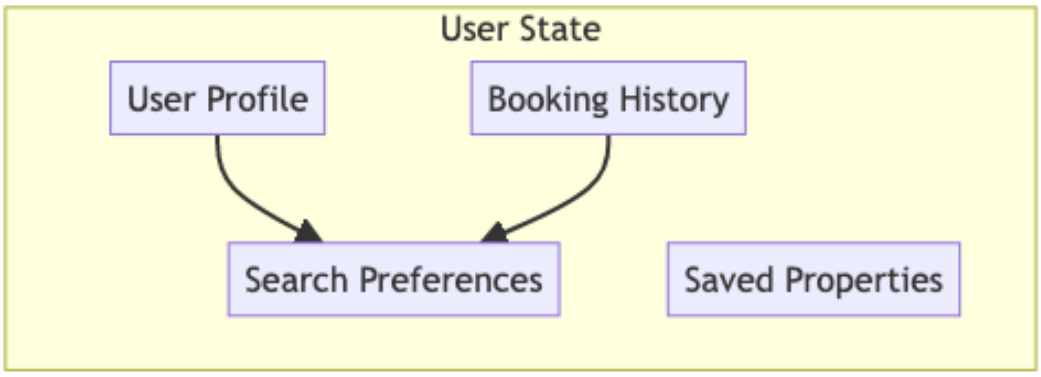
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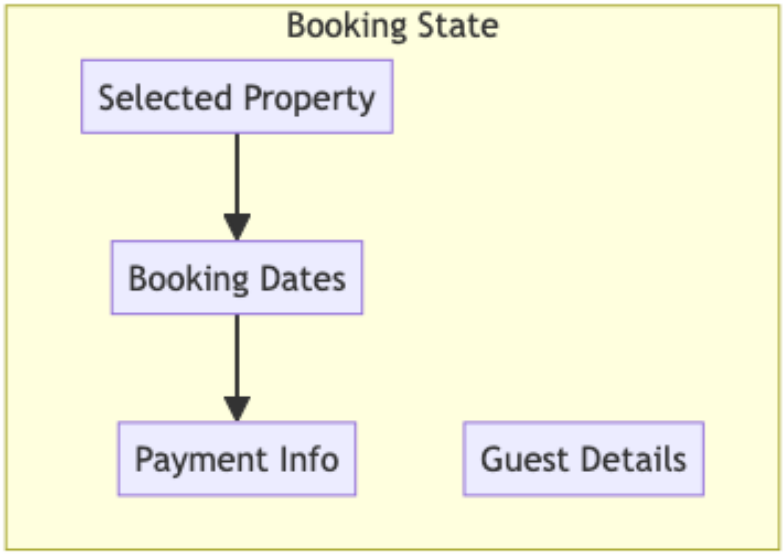
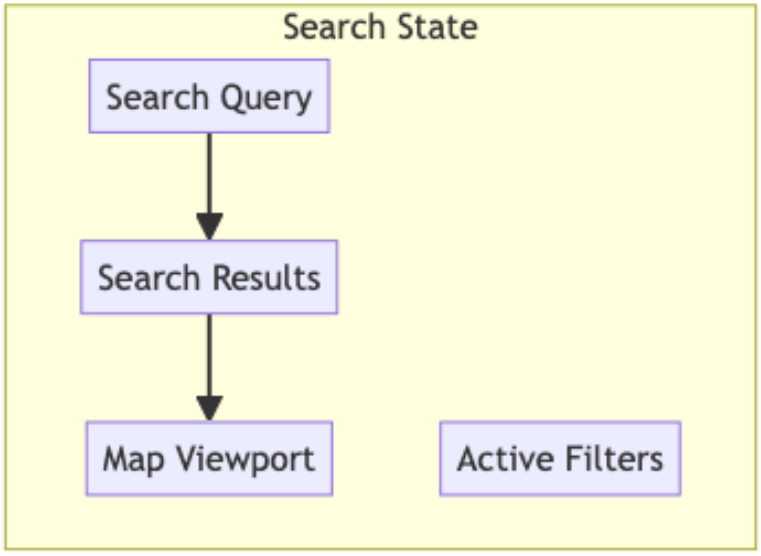
Booking History
Search Preferences
Saved Properties


Booking State
Selected Property
Booking Dates
Payment Info
Guest Details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Search Results
Map Viewport
Active Filters

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BookingPlatform.jsx

```jsx
import React, { useState, useEffect, useCallback } from 'react';
import { BookingProvider } from './BookingContext';
import SearchInterface from './SearchInterface';
import SearchResults from './SearchResults';
import PropertyDetails from './PropertyDetails';
import BookingFlow from './BookingFlow';
import { useLocationSearch } from './hooks/useLocationSearch';

const BookingPlatform = () => {
  const [currentView, setCurrentView] = useState('search'); // 'search', 'results', 'pr
  const [searchQuery, setSearchQuery] = useState({
    location: '',
    coordinates: null,
    checkIn: null,
    checkOut: null,
    guests: { adults: 2, children: 0, infants: 0 }
  });
  const [filters, setFilters] = useState({
    priceRange: [0, 1000],
    propertyTypes: [],
    amenities: [],
    rating: 0,
    instantBook: false
  });
  const [searchResults, setSearchResults] = useState([]);
  const [selectedProperty, setSelectedProperty] = useState(null);
  const [mapViewport, setMapViewport] = useState({
    latitude: 37.7749,
    longitude: -122.4194,
    zoom: 10
  });
  const [loading, setLoading] = useState(false);
  const [bookingData, setBookingData] = useState({
    property: null,
    dates: null,
    guests: null,
    totalPrice: 0
  });

  const { searchLocations } = useLocationSearch();
```

```
const handleSearch = useCallback(async (query = searchQuery) => {
  if (!query.location || !query.checkIn || !query.checkOut) return;

  setLoading(true);
  try {
    const response = await fetch('/api/properties/search', {
      method: 'POST',
      headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' },
      body: JSON.stringify({
        ...query,
        filters,
        limit: 20
      })
    });

    const data = await response.json();
    setSearchResults(data.properties);

    if (data.properties.length > 0) {
      setCurrentView('results');

      // Update map viewport to show results
      const bounds = calculateBounds(data.properties);
      setMapViewport(bounds);
    }
  } catch (error) {
    console.error('Search failed:', error);
  } finally {
    setLoading(false);
  }
}, [searchQuery, filters]);

const calculateBounds = (properties) => {
  if (properties.length === 0) return mapViewport;

  const lats = properties.map(p => p.latitude);
  const lngs = properties.map(p => p.longitude);

  return {
    latitude: (Math.min(...lats) + Math.max(...lats)) / 2,
    longitude: (Math.min(...lngs) + Math.max(...lngs)) / 2,
    zoom: 12
  };
};
```

```
const handlePropertySelect = useCallback(async (propertyId) => {
  try {
    const response = await fetch(`/api/properties/${propertyId}`);
    const property = await response.json();
    setSelectedProperty(property);
    setCurrentView('property');
  } catch (error) {
    console.error('Failed to load property:', error);
  }
}, []);

const handleBookingStart = useCallback((property) => {
  setBookingData({
    property,
    dates: {
      checkIn: searchQuery.checkIn,
      checkOut: searchQuery.checkOut
    },
    guests: searchQuery.guests,
    totalPrice: calculateTotalPrice(property, searchQuery)
  });
  setCurrentView('booking');
}, [searchQuery]);

const calculateTotalPrice = (property, query) => {
  const nights = Math.ceil(
    (new Date(query.checkOut) - new Date(query.checkIn)) / (1000 * 60 * 60 * 24)
  );
  const basePrice = property.pricePerNight * nights;
  const taxes = basePrice * 0.12;
  const serviceFee = basePrice * 0.03;

  return basePrice + taxes + serviceFee;
};

const handleFilterChange = useCallback((newFilters) => {
  setFilters(prev => ({ ...prev, ...newFilters }));
}, []);

const handleBookingComplete = useCallback(async (bookingDetails) => {
  try {
    const response = await fetch('/api/bookings', {
      method: 'POST',
      headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' },
```

```
        body: JSON.stringify(bookingDetails)
      });

      if (response.ok) {
        const booking = await response.json();
        // Redirect to confirmation page or show success message
        console.log('Booking confirmed:', booking);
      }
    } catch (error) {
      console.error('Booking failed:', error);
    }
  }, []);

  const value = {
    currentView,
    searchQuery,
    filters,
    searchResults,
    selectedProperty,
    mapViewport,
    bookingData,
    loading,
    setCurrentView,
    setSearchQuery,
    setFilters: handleFilterChange,
    setMapViewport,
    onSearch: handleSearch,
    onPropertySelect: handlePropertySelect,
    onBookingStart: handleBookingStart,
    onBookingComplete: handleBookingComplete
  };

  return (
    <BookingProvider value={value}>
      <div className="booking-platform">
        {currentView === 'search' && <SearchInterface />}
        {currentView === 'results' && <SearchResults />}
        {currentView === 'property' && <PropertyDetails />}
        {currentView === 'booking' && <BookingFlow />}
      </div>
    </BookingProvider>
  );
};

export default BookingPlatform;
```

SearchInterface.jsx

```jsx
import React, { useContext, useState } from 'react';
import { BookingContext } from './BookingContext';
import LocationSearch from './LocationSearch';
import DateRangePicker from './DateRangePicker';
import GuestSelector from './GuestSelector';

const SearchInterface = () => {
  const { searchQuery, setSearchQuery, onSearch, loading } = useContext(BookingContext);
  const [errors, setErrors] = useState({});

  const handleLocationChange = (location) => {
    setSearchQuery(prev => ({
      ...prev,
      location: location.name,
      coordinates: location.coordinates
    }));
  };

  const handleDateChange = (dates) => {
    setSearchQuery(prev => ({
      ...prev,
      checkIn: dates.startDate,
      checkOut: dates.endDate
    }));
  };

  const handleGuestChange = (guests) => {
    setSearchQuery(prev => ({ ...prev, guests }));
  };

  const validateSearch = () => {
    const newErrors = {};

    if (!searchQuery.location) {
      newErrors.location = 'Please select a destination';
    }

    if (!searchQuery.checkIn || !searchQuery.checkOut) {
      newErrors.dates = 'Please select check-in and check-out dates';
    }

    if (new Date(searchQuery.checkIn) >= new Date(searchQuery.checkOut)) {
      newErrors.dates = 'Check-out date must be after check-in date';
```

```
  }

  setErrors(newErrors);
  return Object.keys(newErrors).length === 0;
};

const handleSubmit = (e) => {
  e.preventDefault();

  if (validateSearch()) {
    onSearch();
  }
};

return (
  <div className="search-interface">
    <div className="search-hero">
      <h1>Find your perfect stay</h1>
      <p>Discover amazing places to stay around the world</p>
    </div>

    <form className="search-form" onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
      <div className="search-fields">
        <div className="field-group">
          <label htmlFor="location">Where</label>
          <LocationSearch
            value={searchQuery.location}
            onChange={handleLocationChange}
            placeholder="Search destinations"
            error={errors.location}
          />
        </div>

        <div className="field-group">
          <label htmlFor="dates">When</label>
          <DateRangePicker
            startDate={searchQuery.checkIn}
            endDate={searchQuery.checkOut}
            onChange={handleDateChange}
            error={errors.dates}
          />
        </div>

        <div className="field-group">
          <label htmlFor="guests">Who</label>
```

```
            <GuestSelector
              guests={searchQuery.guests}
              onChange={handleGuestChange}
            />
          </div>
        </div>

        <button
          type="submit"
          className="search-button"
          disabled={loading}
        >
          {loading ? 'Searching...' : 'Search'}
        </button>
      </form>
    </div>
  );
};

export default SearchInterface;
```

SearchResults.jsx

```
import React, { useContext, useState } from 'react';
import { BookingContext } from './BookingContext';
import InteractiveMap from './InteractiveMap';
import PropertyList from './PropertyList';
import FiltersPanel from './FiltersPanel';

const SearchResults = () => {
  const {
    searchResults,
    filters,
    setFilters,
    mapViewport,
    setMapViewport,
    onPropertySelect
  } = useContext(BookingContext);

  const [viewMode, setViewMode] = useState('list'); // 'list' or 'map'
  const [showFilters, setShowFilters] = useState(false);

  const filteredResults = searchResults.filter(property => {
    // Apply filters
    if (property.pricePerNight < filters.priceRange[0] ||
        property.pricePerNight > filters.priceRange[1]) {
```

```
    return false;
  }

  if (filters.propertyTypes.length > 0 &&
      !filters.propertyTypes.includes(property.type)) {
    return false;
  }

  if (filters.rating > 0 && property.rating < filters.rating) {
    return false;
  }

  if (filters.instantBook && !property.instantBook) {
    return false;
  }

  return true;
});

return (
  <div className="search-results">
    <div className="results-header">
      <div className="results-info">
        <h2>{filteredResults.length} stays found</h2>
        <button
          className="filters-toggle"
          onClick={() => setShowFilters(!showFilters)}
        >
          Filters
        </button>
      </div>

      <div className="view-toggle">
        <button
          className={viewMode === 'list' ? 'active' : ''}
          onClick={() => setViewMode('list')}
        >
          List
        </button>
        <button
          className={viewMode === 'map' ? 'active' : ''}
          onClick={() => setViewMode('map')}
        >
          Map
        </button>
```

```
        </div>
      </div>

      {showFilters && (
        <FiltersPanel
          filters={filters}
          onFiltersChange={setFilters}
          onClose={() => setShowFilters(false)}
        />
      )}

      <div className="results-content">
        {viewMode === 'list' ? (
          <PropertyList
            properties={filteredResults}
            onPropertySelect={onPropertySelect}
          />
        ) : (
          <div className="results-layout">
            <div className="map-section">
              <InteractiveMap
                properties={filteredResults}
                viewport={mapViewport}
                onViewportChange={setMapViewport}
                onPropertySelect={onPropertySelect}
              />
            </div>
            <div className="list-section">
              <PropertyList
                properties={filteredResults}
                onPropertySelect={onPropertySelect}
                compact={true}
              />
            </div>
          </div>
        )}
      </div>
    </div>
  );
};

export default SearchResults;
```

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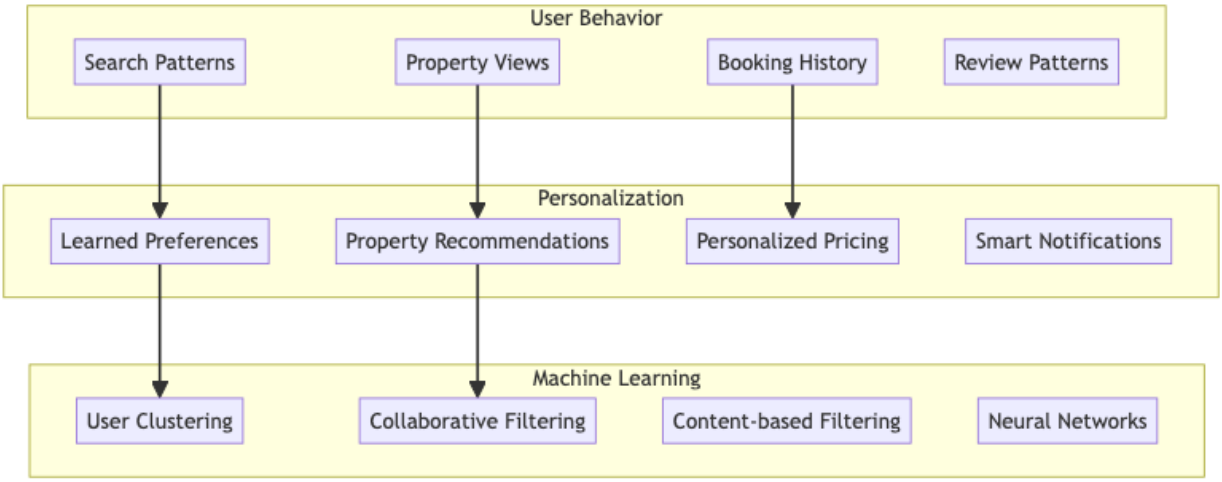

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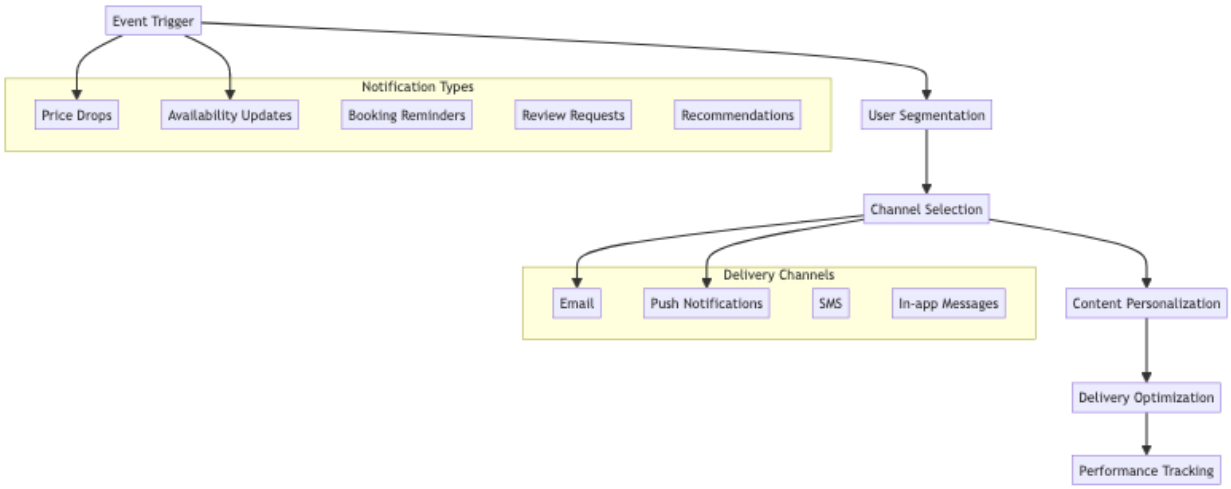

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Core Data Interfaces

```typescript
interface Property {
  id: string;
  title: string;
  description: string;
  type: 'hotel' | 'apartment' | 'house' | 'villa' | 'hostel';
  location: PropertyLocation;
  amenities: Amenity[];
  images: PropertyImage[];
  pricing: PricingInfo;
  availability: AvailabilityCalendar;
  host: HostInfo;
  rating: PropertyRating;
  policies: PropertyPolicies;
}

interface PropertyLocation {
  address: string;
  city: string;
  country: string;
  coordinates: {
    latitude: number;
    longitude: number;
  };
  neighborhood?: string;
  landmarks?: Landmark[];
  transportation?: TransportInfo[];
}

interface Booking {
  id: string;
  propertyId: string;
  guestId: string;
  checkIn: Date;
  checkOut: Date;
  guests: GuestInfo;
  totalPrice: number;
  status: 'pending' | 'confirmed' | 'cancelled' | 'completed';
  paymentInfo: PaymentInfo;
```

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  specialRequests?: string;
  cancellationPolicy: CancellationPolicy;
}

interface SearchCriteria {
  destination: string;
  checkIn: Date;
  checkOut: Date;
  guests: {
    adults: number;
    children: number;
    infants: number;
  };
  filters: SearchFilters;
  sortBy: SortOption;
  priceRange: [number, number];
}

interface SearchFilters {
  propertyTypes: string[];
  amenities: string[];
  priceRange: [number, number];
  rating: number;
  instantBook: boolean;
  superhost: boolean;
  cancellation: 'flexible' | 'moderate' | 'strict';
}
```

Component Props Interfaces

```
interface PropertySearchProps {
  onSearch: (criteria: SearchCriteria) => void;
  onFiltersChange: (filters: SearchFilters) => void;
  popularDestinations?: Destination[];
  recentSearches?: SearchCriteria[];
  enableMapView?: boolean;
  showAdvancedFilters?: boolean;
  defaultLocation?: string;
}

interface PropertyCardProps {
  property: Property;
  onPropertyClick: (propertyId: string) => void;
  onFavoriteToggle: (propertyId: string) => void;
  onShareProperty: (property: Property) => void;
```

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  showPricing?: boolean;
  showHost?: boolean;
  layout: 'grid' | 'list' | 'map';
  isWishlisted?: boolean;
}

interface BookingFormProps {
  property: Property;
  selectedDates: {
    checkIn: Date;
    checkOut: Date;
  };
  onBookingSubmit: (booking: BookingData) => void;
  onDateChange: (dates: DateRange) => void;
  onGuestChange: (guests: GuestInfo) => void;
  showPriceBreakdown?: boolean;
  allowInstantBook?: boolean;
}

interface PropertyGalleryProps {
  images: PropertyImage[];
  onImageClick: (index: number) => void;
  showThumbnails?: boolean;
  enableZoom?: boolean;
  enableFullscreen?: boolean;
  layout: 'carousel' | 'grid' | 'masonry';
  maxVisible?: number;
}

interface MapViewProps {
  properties: Property[];
  center: [number, number];
  zoom?: number;
  onPropertySelect: (property: Property) => void;
  onMapMove: (bounds: MapBounds) => void;
  showClusters?: boolean;
  showFilters?: boolean;
  customMarkers?: boolean;
}
```

API Reference

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Property Search & Discovery

- `GET /api/properties/search` - Search properties with filters, dates, and location
- `GET /api/properties/:id` - Get detailed property information and availability
- `GET /api/properties/featured` - Get featured properties and promotional listings
- `GET /api/properties/recommendations` - Get personalized property recommendations
- `POST /api/properties/save` - Save property to user's wishlist or favorites

Availability & Pricing

- `GET /api/properties/:id/availability` - Check property availability for date range
- `GET /api/properties/:id/pricing` - Get dynamic pricing for specific dates
- `POST /api/properties/:id/price-quote` - Get detailed price quote with taxes and fees
- `GET /api/properties/:id/calendar` - Get property's availability calendar
- `POST /api/properties/:id/block-dates` - Block dates for property (host only)

Booking Management

- `POST /api/bookings` - Create new booking with payment processing
- `GET /api/bookings/:id` - Get booking details and current status
- `PUT /api/bookings/:id` - Modify booking dates or guest information
- `POST /api/bookings/:id/cancel` - Cancel booking and process refund
- `GET /api/bookings/user/:userId` - Get user's booking history and upcoming trips

Payment & Transactions

- `POST /api/payments/intent` - Create payment intent for booking
- `POST /api/payments/confirm` - Confirm payment and complete booking
- `GET /api/payments/:id/status` - Get payment status and transaction details
- `POST /api/payments/refund` - Process refund for cancelled booking
- `GET /api/payments/methods` - Get available payment methods for region

Reviews & Ratings

- `GET /api/properties/:id/reviews` - Get property reviews with pagination
- `POST /api/reviews` - Submit review and rating for completed booking
- `PUT /api/reviews/:id` - Update or edit existing review
- `GET /api/reviews/user/:userId` - Get reviews written by specific user
- `POST /api/reviews/:id/helpful` - Mark review as helpful or report spam

Host Management

- `POST /api/properties` - Create new property listing (host only)

- `PUT /api/properties/:id` - Update property details and amenities
- `GET /api/properties/:id/bookings` - Get bookings for property (host only)
- `POST /api/properties/:id/photos` - Upload property photos with optimization
- `GET /api/host/dashboard` - Get host dashboard with analytics and earnings

Location & Geography

- `GET /api/locations/search` - Search locations with autocomplete
- `GET /api/locations/:id/properties` - Get properties in specific location
- `GET /api/locations/popular` - Get popular destinations and trending locations
- `GET /api/locations/:id/attractions` - Get nearby attractions and landmarks
- `POST /api/locations/geocode` - Convert address to coordinates

User Profile & Preferences

- `GET /api/users/:id/profile` - Get user profile and travel preferences
- `PUT /api/users/:id/preferences` - Update travel preferences and settings
- `GET /api/users/:id/wishlist` - Get user's saved properties and wishlist
- `POST /api/users/:id/verify` - Verify user identity for trusted bookings
- `GET /api/users/:id/trips` - Get user's trip history and upcoming bookings

Performance Optimizations

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Search Performance

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Caching Strategy:

```
SearchCache = {
  popularQueries: LRU<string, SearchResult[]>,
  locationData: Map<string, LocationInfo>,
  propertyPreviews: Map<string, PropertyPreview>,
  priceRanges: Map<string, PriceRange>
}
```

Optimization Techniques: - Implement search result caching with TTL - Use CDN for property images and static data - Lazy load property details and reviews - Implement virtual scrolling for large result sets - Pre-fetch popular locations and properties

Image and Media Optimization

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Progressive Loading: - Load low-quality image placeholders first - Progressive JPEG enhancement - WebP format with fallbacks - Responsive image sizing - Lazy loading with intersection observer

CDN Strategy: - Global content distribution - Automatic image optimization - Device-specific image variants - Smart caching policies - Bandwidth-aware loading

Database Optimization

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Search Index Strategy: - Geospatial indexing for location queries - Full-text search optimization - Composite indexes for filtered searches - Materialized views for aggregations - Read replicas for search queries

Security Considerations

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Payment Security

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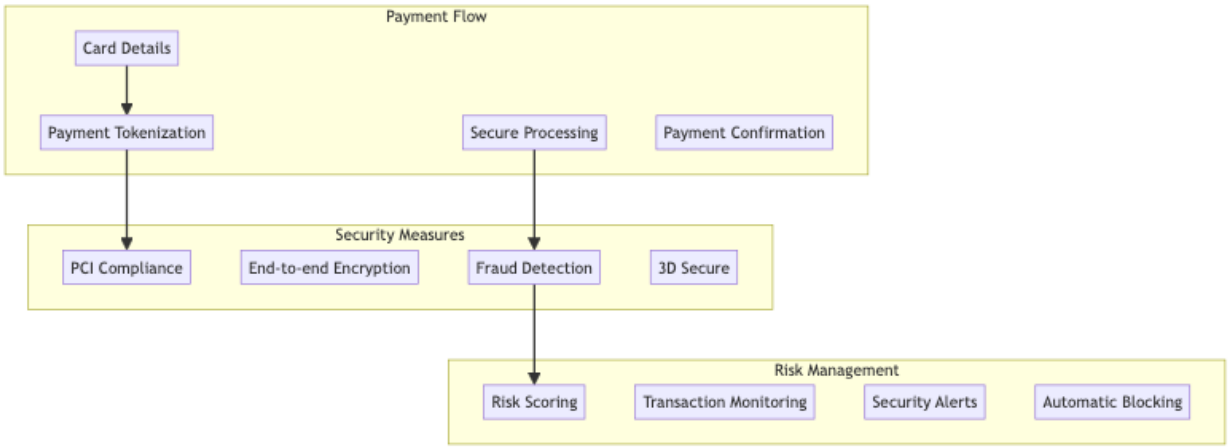

Data Protection

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Privacy Framework: - GDPR compliance for EU users - Data minimization principles - User consent management - Right to data deletion - Cross-border data transfer protections

Security Measures: - Input validation and sanitization - SQL injection prevention - XSS protection with CSP - Rate limiting for API endpoints - Authentication and authorization

Accessibility Implementation

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Keyboard Navigation

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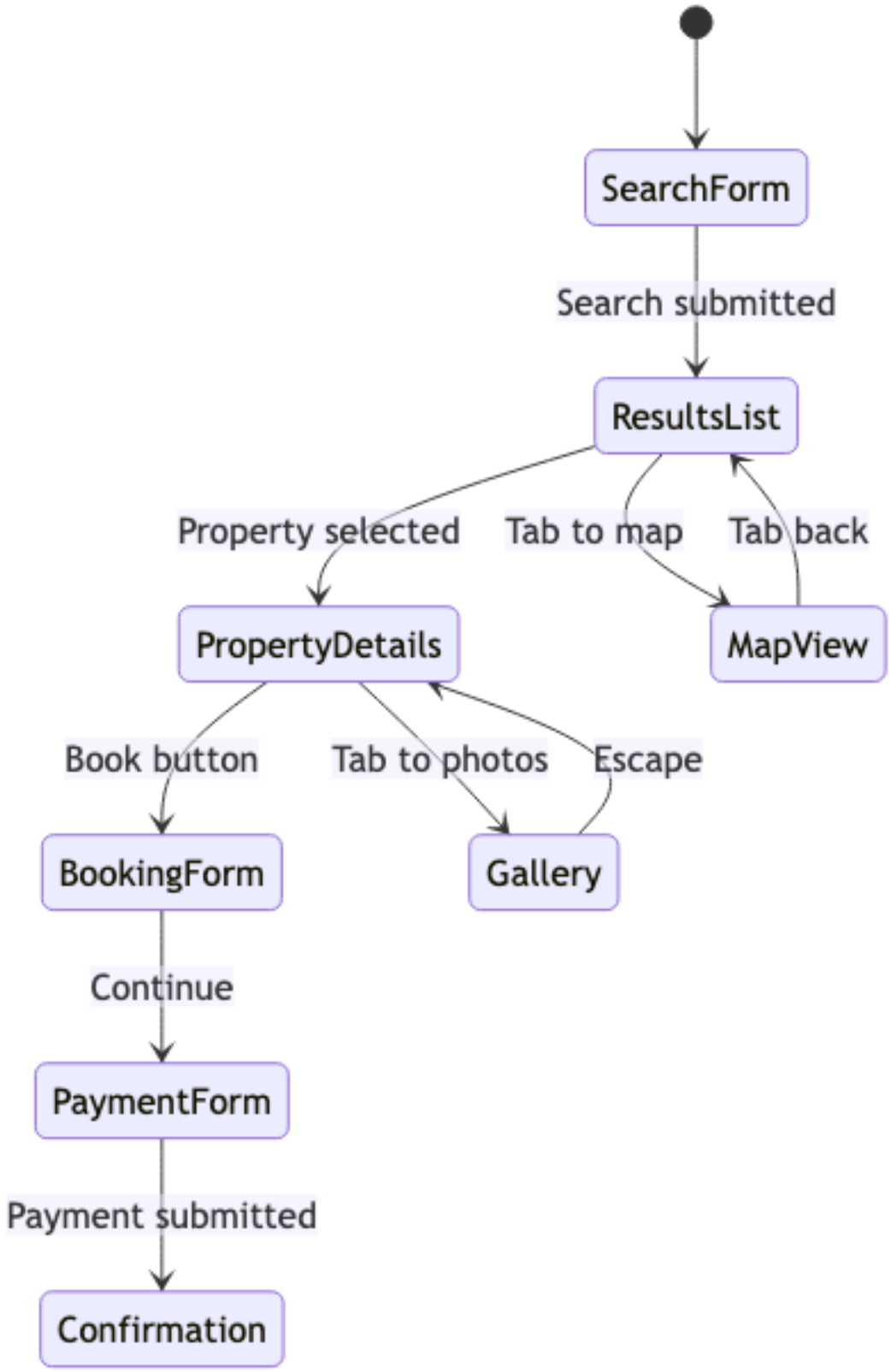

Accessibility Features: - Comprehensive ARIA labels and landmarks - Screen reader

compatibility for all components - High contrast mode support - Keyboard navigation for all interactive elements - Focus management during page transitions

Inclusive Design

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Multi-language Support: - Right-to-left language support - Currency and date localization - Cultural adaptation of UI patterns - Accessibility in all supported languages

Testing Strategy

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Unit Testing Focus Areas

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Core Algorithm Testing: - Property search and ranking accuracy - Pricing calculation correctness - Availability conflict detection - Review validation logic

Component Testing: - Search interface interactions - Booking flow completeness - Map functionality - Payment form validation

Integration Testing

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End-to-End Booking Flow: - Complete user journey testing - Cross-browser compatibility - Mobile responsiveness - Payment processing integration

Performance Testing: - Search response times - Large dataset handling - Concurrent user scenarios - Geographic distribution performance

User Experience Testing

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Usability Testing: - User journey optimization - Conversion funnel analysis - A/B testing for UI improvements - Accessibility compliance verification

Trade-offs and Considerations

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Performance vs Features

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- **Real-time availability**: Accuracy vs response time
- **Search filters**: Comprehensiveness vs performance
- **Image quality**: Visual appeal vs loading speed
- **Personalization**: Relevance vs privacy concerns

Business vs User Experience

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- **Dynamic pricing**: Revenue optimization vs user trust
- **Search ranking**: Business priorities vs user preference
- **Booking policies**: Flexibility vs protection
- **Reviews system**: Authenticity vs user satisfaction

Scalability Considerations

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- **Global deployment**: Regional compliance vs unified experience
- **Peak demand**: Surge capacity vs cost optimization
- **Data growth**: Storage efficiency vs query performance
- **Feature complexity**: Functionality vs maintainability

This travel booking platform provides a comprehensive foundation for modern accommodation booking with advanced features like intelligent search, dynamic pricing, and personalized recommendations while maintaining high performance, security, and accessibility standards.