

Online Auction System

INFO 5100 Final Project Proposal

Problem Statement

Online shopping has become wide spread in all sorts of industrial usage today, but buyers may get unsatisfied with a specified product's price when they are into it. Sellers may also not sure about what the price is competitive while making a maximum profit.

Meanwhile, sorts of problems such as reality estates, land transactions, and donation funds could all be considered as an implementation of auction to gain the best resolution for multiple sides.

Purpose

This project aims to build an auction system for various products with multiple servers, sellers and bidders accordingly. This system is designed to be highly-scalable and capable of supporting large numbers of bidders in an active auction, concurrency problems may need to be considered specifically.

Proposed Solution

The basic idea of this system is to allow sellers to set up their products for auctions and bidders to register and bid for various products available for bidding. Roles of admin, seller and bidder can manipulate their account for specific use.

Donation auction would be taken as a main feature to be implemented, targeting at the poor, sellers are able to set up a donation bidding and donate the final price to some donation organizations or communities. For example, sellers can find where needs the donation funds most badly, and trace the following effects of the donation activities.

Additional functions may be considered in details for specific needs, like rare articles may be withheld by owner on the advice of the administrator to be thrown open in special auctions so as to increase the bid-values.

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