

# “Kili Trekker System” Software Design Specification

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# 1 System Description:

## Brief overview of Trekker System:

The Kili Trekker System is a tracking and information management system developed to support the tourism business in the Kilimanjaro National Park, Tanzania. The system will help manage and track trekkers, provide vital information about weather conditions, park events, and emergency situations. The system aims to enhance safety, make the planning process simpler for both trekkers and guides, ensure a seamless experience for visitors, and make management of the park more efficient for park authorities.

Mount Kilimanjaro is one of the most popular tourist destinations in Tanzania, attracting thousands of trekkers every year. Due to its vast trails, changing weather conditions, possible risks, and emergency situations, a centralized system is necessary to manage information and individuals in the park to ensure the safety of all visitors at all times. The Kili Trekker System will allow park rangers, trail guides, and other officials to access and update crucial information about the 12 different trails, events taking place, and emergencies. Additionally, it will provide a platform for trekkers to view current trail conditions and plan their trips accordingly. The trekkers are mandated to use the app while on trails and nearby areas to ensure safety and allow for them to receive real-time updates. This Design Specification Document outlines the architecture of the Kili Trekker System. The document is organized as follow:

1. System Description: brief overview of the Kili Trekker System

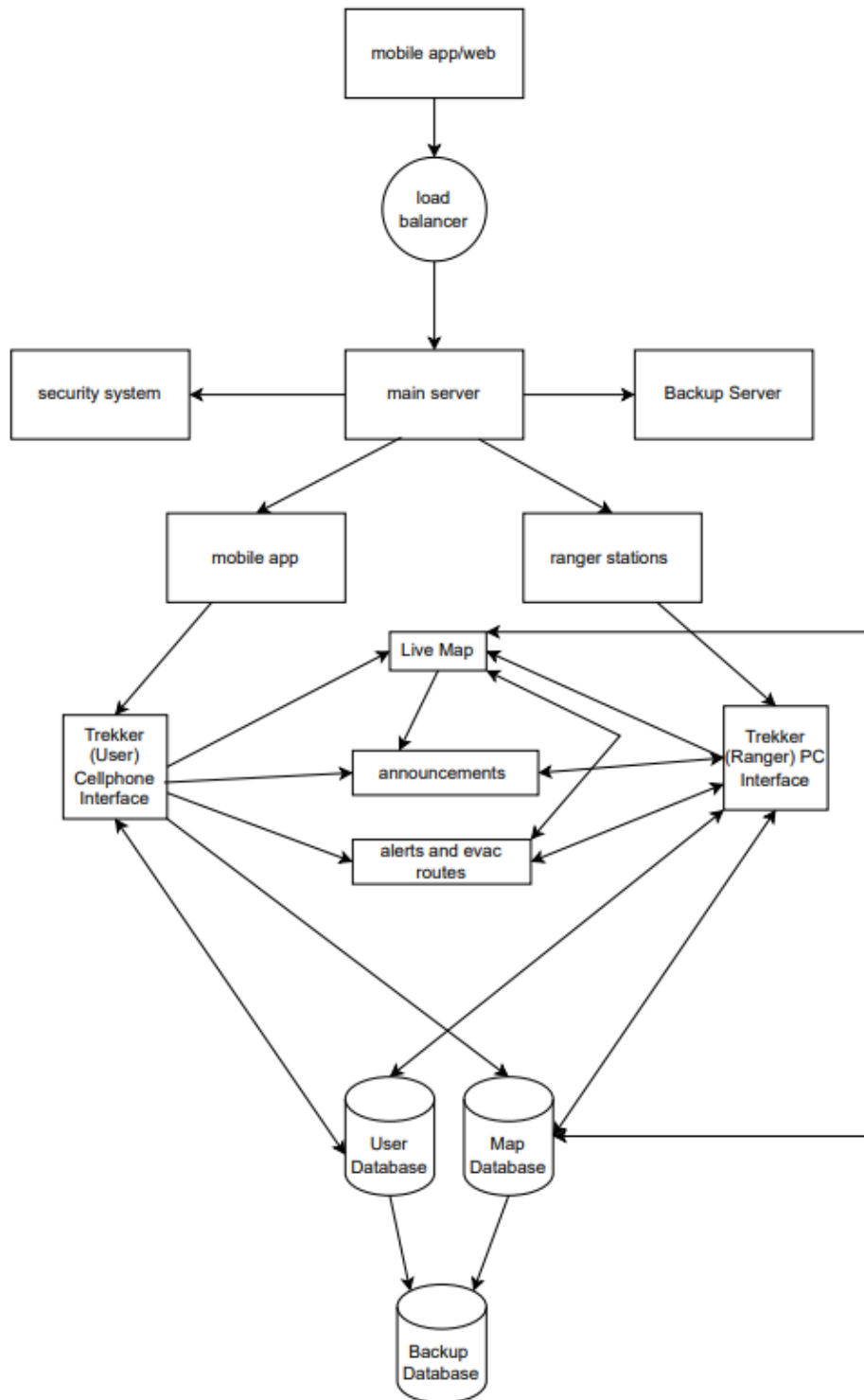
2. Software Architecture Overview: architectural diagram of all major components and UML Class Diagram

3. Development plan and timeline: description of the development plan and roles of each software engineer with timeline

This document will guide the development team by providing a clear design framework and ensuring that the system aligns with stakeholders needs while being technically sound.

## 2 Software Architecture Overview

### 2.1 Architectural Diagram



## Description of components and their connections

The system will be available both as a mobile application and on the web. The trekkers will be mainly using the mobile app in order to plan their trip, stay up to date with announcements and events, and get live updates about the trails while at mount Kilimanjaro. The rangers, park staff and trail guides will be utilizing the web application in order to access the system (read/write/delete). Since there can be multiple users using the system simultaneously, there is a load balancer in order to distribute the network traffic across different services to improve the performance of the system. The main server represents the multiple servers that will be in use. There are backup servers available in case of any technical difficulties or more than the usual network traffic. Additionally, there will be a security system in place in order to avoid Kenyan rebels entering incorrect information into the system or disabling it entirely.

The main server connects to both the mobile app, used by trekkers, and the ranger station, which is the web application used by authorities, park staff, and rangers at the Tanzanian Kilimanjaro Park headquarters located at the main entrance.

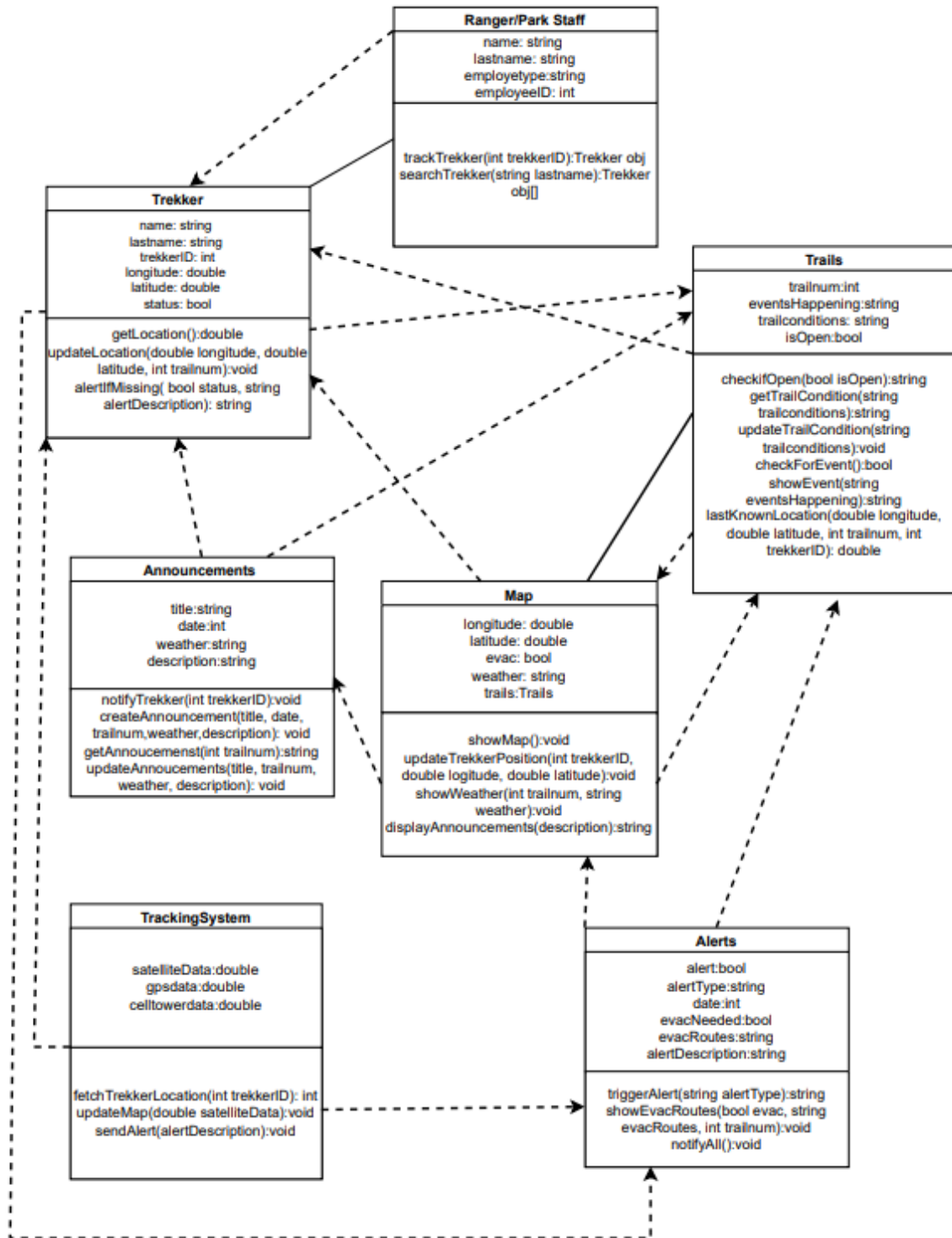
The mobile app will be connected to the Trekker(user) cell phone interface which is accessing the live map, announcements, and alerts and evac routes. When the trekker creates their account on the mobile app, their information such as name, last name, trackerID, longitude, latitude, and status will be stored in a table in the User Database. The UI can also pull this information from the database in order to display it for the trekkers on their profile page. The trekkers locations (longitude and latitude) will also be stored in the Map Database in order to be accessed by the live map.

The ranger station has a monitor that accesses the web application. The trekker(ranger) PC interface also has access to the live map, announcements, and alerts and evacuation routes. Additionally, the rangers have the ability to make edits in the live map, announcements, and send out alerts and evacuation routes when necessary, hence why double sided arrows are used for rangers (including park staff, trail guides). Since rangers are also a user of the system their information will also be stored in the User Database and their location will be stored in the Map Database.

The Live Map includes information such as trail numbers, trail updates, live weather updates, and an actual visual of mount Kilimanjaro. The Live Map has access to the announcements and alerts and evacuation routes in order to present this information in real time to users on the trails and nearby areas of mount Kilimanjaro. The Live Map pulls data and sends data to the Map Database, information such as trekker longitude and latitude can be pulled from the Map Database when trekkers go missing and their last known location is needed for alerts (double sided arrow from alert to live map for this reason).

Additionally, there is a backup database in case of technical difficulties, system failures, etc. The backup database won't keep as detailed information as the individual databases, but it will backup important information from both databases at the end of each day.

## 2.2 UML Class Diagram



## Description of Classes

**Ranger/Park staff:** The ranger/park staff class will keep track of the names, last names, employee type, and employee ID. The Ranger class will be able to keep track of trekkers so monitor visitors and ensure safety. This class uses the Trekker class to retrieve trekkerID for its operation and has Trekker for the list that is returned by the searchTrekker operation.

**Trekker:** The Trekker class keeps track of trekker profiles, name, last name, trekker ID, their location, and their status. The Trekker class can give the location of the trekkers and alert if they are missing. The trekker uses Trails and Alerts for its operations.

**Map:** The map class revolves around the live terrain and topography of the hiking area, and any events occurring within. This class has Trails, for trail numbers, and it uses Announcements and Trails for its operations.

**Announcements:** The announcements class has a main functionality of informing trekkers in the area about ongoing events. The announcement class creates and updates the announcement. This class uses Trekker and Trails for its operations.

**Trails:** The trails class keeps track of trail numbers and gives relevant information about the trails such as events happening, trail conditions such as weather, and whether the trail is open. This class uses Map and Trekkers for its operations.

**Alerts:** The Alert class sends emergency information to the trekkers in the area, as well as the necessary details thereof. Alerts can be triggered, evacuation routes can be shown and a notification can be sent to all users. This class uses Trails and Map for its operations.

## Description of Attributes

### Ranger/Park Staff Class:

- name: *string* consisting of first name of park employee
- lastName: *string* consisting of last name of park employee
- employeeType: *string* referring to employee's job title
- employeeID: *int* that contains unique employee identification number

### Trekker Class:

- name: *string* consisting of first name of park hiker



- lastName: *string* consisting of last name of park hiker
- trekkerID: *int* that contains unique hiker identification number
- longitude: *double* measurement of hiker's location (east or west)
- latitude: *double* measurement of hiker's location (north or south)
- status: *bool* to mark hikers that are lost, missing, or need help/assistance

#### **Map Class:**

- longitude: *double* measurement for map locations (east or west)
- latitude: *double* measurement for map locations (north or south)
- evac: *bool* that signifies an evacuation for a trail#
- weather: *string* describing current weather conditions on each trail
- trails: *Trails* has the Trails class attributes and operations

#### **Announcements Class:**

- title: *string* that contains the title of the announcement
- date: *int* that contains the date of the announcement
- weather: *string* that contains important weather condition changes
- description: *string* that contains the announcement body/description

#### **Trails Class:**

- trailnum: *int* that contains the trail identification number
- eventsHappening: *string* contains current events going on at certain trails
- trailconditions: *string* that contains a trail's conditions
- isOpen: *bool* true signifies an open trail, false signifies closed trail

#### **Alerts Class:**

- alert: *bool* that signifies an active parkwide alert
- alertType: *string* that specifies the type of alert
- date: *int* that contains the date of the alert
- evacNeeded: *bool* that signifies if evacuation is needed
- evacRoutes: *string* that contains the recommended evacuation routes
- alertDescription: *string* that contains the description of the

#### **TrackingSystem Class**

- satelliteData: *double* containing satellite data
- gpsData: *double* containing gps data
- celltowerData: *double* containing cell tower data

## Description of Operations

### Ranger/Park Staff:

- **trackTrekker(int trekkerID):Trekker obj** This operation retrieves an object of type Trekker via the individual ID number on that trekker's app.
- **searchTrekker(string lastname):Trekker obj[]** This operation retrieves the list of all Trekkers obj with a certain registered last name

### Trekker:

- **getLocation():double** This operation retrieves the location of any hiker via their coordinates and returns the location as a double.
- **updateLocation(double longitude, new latitude, int trailnum):void** This operation takes the parameter of a trekker's location, as well as the trail number. This is so that the trekkers' most to date location is visible on the map.
- **alertIfMissing(bool status, string alertDescription)** This operation will be triggered if the status of the trekker is false, meaning that their location is unknown and hence missing. It will return a string with the trekkers information.

### Announcements:

- **notifyTrekker(int trekkerID):void** This operation uses the attribute trekker ID from the Trekker class to only notify a specific trekker.
- **createAnnouncement( string title, int date, int trailnum, string weather, string description):void** This operation creates an announcement with given parameters. The parameters include a title, the date the announcement is sent out, the trail in which the event is taking place, the live weather, and a brief event description.
- **getAnnouncements(trailnum):string** This operation will display announcement details for any given trail. The trail number can be searched for annoucmnets. Additionally, if the location of the trekker shows that they are on that trail the announcement will appear on the map for the trekker.
- **updateAnnouncements( string title, int trailnum, string weather, string description):void** This operation updates details on a preexisting announcement, using the title, weather, trail number, and updated description.

### Tracking System:

- **fetchTrekkerLocation(int trekkerID): double** This operation manually locates a specific trekker via their ID and displays their coordinates.
- **updateMap(double satelliteData):void** This operation uses satellite data to update an area of a map (i.e. a change in the topography).
- **sendAlert(string alertDescription):void** This operation uses the alertDescription attribute from Alerts to send an alert to all trekkers with a brief message regarding the situation.

#### Map:

- **showMap():void** This operation displays the live map on the device.
- **updateTrekkerPosition(int trekkerID, double longitude, double latitude):void** The trekkers location will be updated as they go through the trails and the surrounding mount kilimanjaro area. The longitude and latitude will be used to update their position to the most recent position.
- **showWeather(int trailnum, string weather):void** Displays the live weather conditions for a specific trail.
- **displayAnnouncements(string description):string** Passes the description attribute from the announcements class to display the details of an announcement.

#### Trails:

- **checkIfOpen(bool isOpen):String** Displays open when the attribute isOpen is true, and closed if isOpen is false.
- **getTrailCondition(string trailconditions):string** This operation returns the traversability conditions of a trail.
- **updateTrailConditions(string trailconditions):void** Updates the conditions of the trail, replacing any old information with new conditions.
- **checkForEvent()bool:** Displays a true or false value if an event is occurring on a trail.
- **showEvent(string eventsHappening):string** Provided an event is taking place, this displays details of live events in the park/on any trails.
- **lastKnownLocation(double longitude, double latitude, int trailnum, int trekkerID):double** This operation sets the last known location of a missing trekker, requiring their last known longitude and latitude coordinates, as well as the trail they were last seen on.

**Alerts:**

- **triggerAlert(string alertType): string** Sends out an alert from the ranger systems to all trekkers in the park, provided that the ranger passes the type of alert (i.e natural disaster)
- **showEvacRoutes(bool evac, string evacRoutes, int trailnum):void** Displays the nearest evacuation routes for all trekkers, with parameters of the value of the evacuation status, the nearest route, and the available trails
- **notifyAll():void** Used by the rangers to notify all trekkers about a specific emergency occurring

## 3 Development plan and Timeline

### 3.1 Partitioning of Tasks

There will be 3 software engineers working on implementing both the Mobile application and web development of the Kili Trekker system.

Sonia: Mobile Application Development

Week 1-2:

- Set up project repository
- Design the Mobile UI/UX for the trekker interface: onboarding, home page, map, announcements, and alerts
- Implement user authentication (create account/login) and integration with user database for trekkers

Week 3-4:

- Integrate real-time GPS tracking for trekker and integrate with Map Database
- Develop functionality for trekkers to view trail information, announcements, alerts, and real-time weather updates

Week 5-6:

- Add the ability to trekkers to update their status and last known location
- Implement a notification system for trekkers to receive alerts and announcements while not in the app

Week 7-8:

- Testing and debugging
- Ensure data syncing between the mobile application and web application

## Michael: Web Application Development

### Week 1-2:

- Design the web interface for rangers/trail guides/park officials: dashboard, map view, announcements, and alerts
- Implement user authentication for rangers, trail guides, and park officials

### Week 3-4:

- Develop the live map functionality for tracking trekkers, trails, events, and weather
- Integrate with Map Database to fetch and display trekker locations, trail conditions, alerts, and announcements

### Week 5-6:

- Add functionality for rangers to send alert and evacuation routes to trekkers via the web application
- Implement CRUD operations for announcements, alerts, and any other relevant updates

### Week 7-8:

- Testing and debugging the web application
- Optimization for real-time map updates and notifications

## Hamza: Backend and Database Development

### Week 1-2:

- Set up the user and map database
- Define API endpoints for interaction between the mobile app, web system, and the databases

### Week 3-4:

- Implement the live map tracking system: API integration for fetching and updating trekker locations from GPS data

### Week 5-6:

- Implement alert and evacuation routes triggers, integrating with the Map Database and ranger inputs
- Create satellite data integration for map updates and topographical changes

### Week 7-8:

- Set up security system to prevent unauthorized access and protect data from external threats
- Testing backend performance and security and proper functionality
- Ensure seamless data flow between system

## 3.2 Timeline

Weeks 1-2: Set up and begin UI, database, and backend development

Weeks 3-4: GPS tracking, map, announcement system, and basic app/web functionality will be implemented

Weeks 5-6: Alerts, announcements, notifications, and full system integration

Weeks 7-8: Final testing, debugging, and improvements

This timeline will allow each of the engineers to focus on their tasks while ensuring that the project progresses smoothly. The timeline accounts for the need to integrate components developed by other engineers and includes time for debugging, testing, and optimization.