TPER Bus Finder

An Android app for Emilia-Romagna public transport users (on roads)

Outline

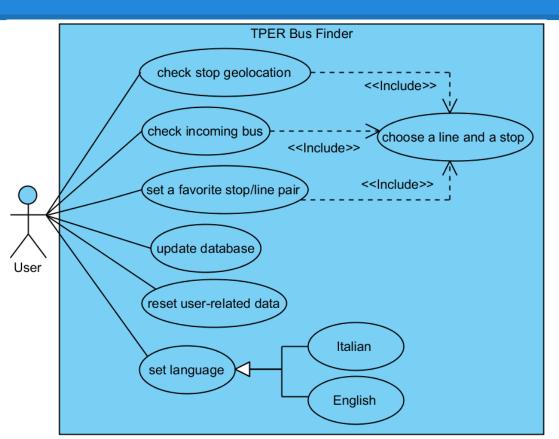
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Objectives

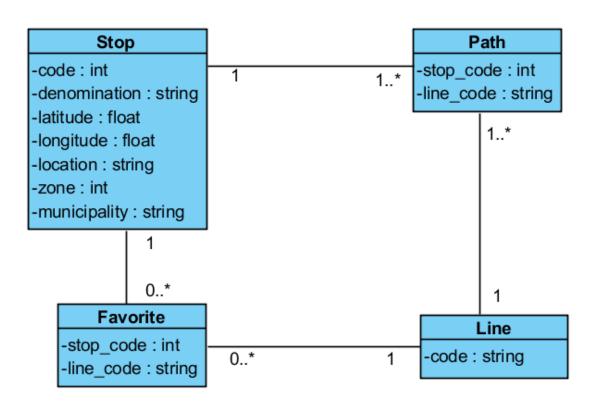


- Exploit the Open Data and web services offered by TPER concerning:
 - Bus stops
 - Bus lines
 - Bus paths
- Enable the user to find and check the geolocation of bus stops and the arrival time of bus lines.

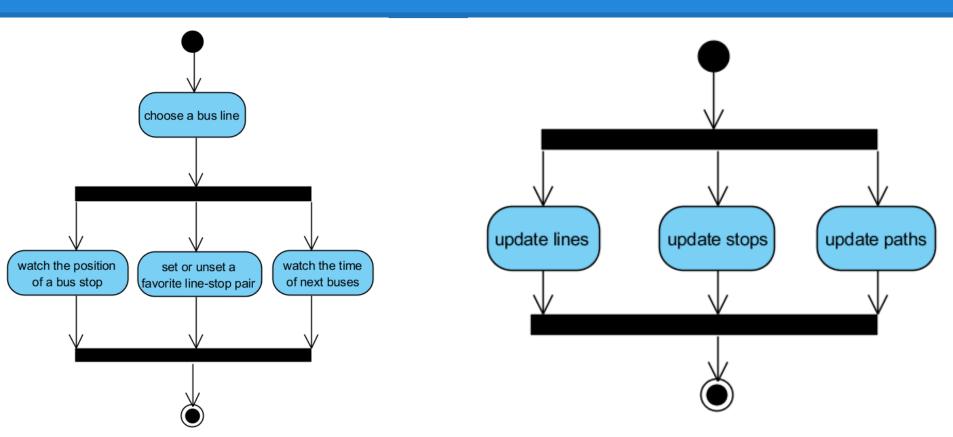
Use Case Diagram



Class Diagram



Activity Diagrams



Requirements

- Internet connection
- GPS receiver

Implementation

- Data source
- Data organization
- Activities
- AsyncTask

Data Source (1)

Bus Lines:

URL = https://solweb.tper.it/tperit/webservices/opendata.asmx/OpenDataLinee

```
Output =
<NewDataSet>
     <Table>
           <codice_linea>1</codice_linea>
     </Table>
     <Table>
           <codice linea>101</codice linea>
     </Table>
</NewDataSet>
```

Data Source (2)

Bus Stops:

URL = https://solweb.tper.it/tperit/webservices/opendata.asmx/OpenDataFermate

```
Output =
 <Table>
     <codice>1</codice>
     <denominazione>STAZIONE CENTRALE</denominazione>
     <ubicazione>PIAZZA MEDAGLIE D'ORO (PENSILINA C)</ubicazione>
     <comune>BOLOGNA</comune>
     <coordinata x>686344/coordinata x>
     <coordinata y>930918/coordinata y>
     <latitudine>44.505736</latitudine>
     <longitudine>11.343174/longitudine>
     <codice zona>500</codice zona>
 </Table>
```

Data Source (3)

• Bus Paths:

URL = https://solweb.tper.it/tperit/webservices/opendata.asmx/OpenDataLineeFermate

```
Output =
  <Table>
       <codice linea>1</codice linea>
       <codice fermata>110113</codice fermata>
       <denominazione>IMOLA OSPEDALE VECCHIO</denominazione>
       <ubox><ubicazione>VIALE AMENDOLA 6/2</ubicazione>
       <comune>IMOLA</comune>
       <latitudine>44.35605</latitudine>
       <longitudine>11.707197</longitudine>
       <codice zona>510</codice zona>
  </Table>
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Data Source (4)

Real time query:

- URL = https://solweb.tper.it/tperit/webservices/hellobus.asmx/QueryHellobus?
 fermata=6212&linea=19&oraHHMM=0930
- Output =
 <string xmlns="https://solweb.tper.it/tperit/webservices/hellobus.asmx">
 TperHellobus: (x09:30) 19C Previsto 09:34, 19 Previsto 09:41
 </string>

Data Organization

SQLite tables:

Lines:

LINE ID, LINE USAGE.

Stops:

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STOP_ID, STOP_ZONE, STOP_DENOMINATION, STOP_LOCATION, STOP_MUNICIPALITY, STOP_LATITUDE, STOP_LONGITUDE.
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o Paths:

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STOP ID, LINE ID.
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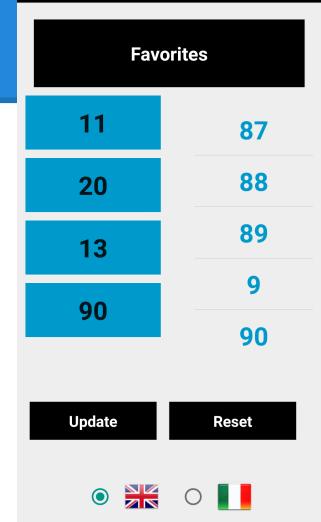
Favorites:

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STOP_ID, LINE_ID.
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Activities (1)

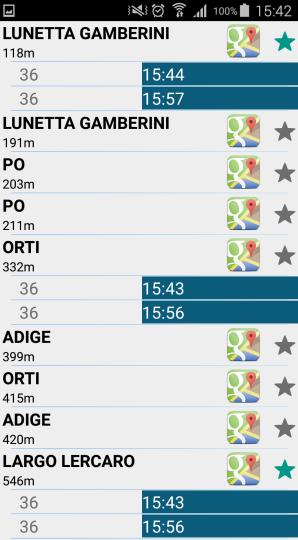
• The main activity presents:

- o a button to reach the favorites;
- two lists: a listview of all the available lines and a gridview of all the previously clicked lines ordered by usage;
- a button to update TPER data and a button to reset user related data (usage and favorites);
- two check buttons to set the application language (English or Italian).



Activities (2)

- The stops list activity presents:
 - a list of all the stops related to the selected bus line, showing:
 - The stop denomination;
 - The distance from the phone;
 - A button to show the geolocation via Google Maps;
 - A checkbox (styled as star) to set or unset a favorite stop/line pair.
 - a real-time generated sublist of the incoming buses (one or two or any).



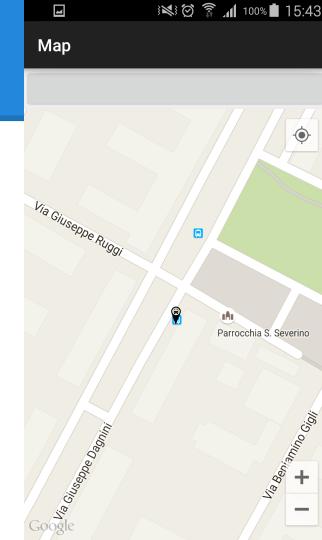
Activities (3)

- The favorites activity presents:
 - a list of all the favorite line/stop pairs for a fast access, showing:
 - The line and stop denomination;
 - The distance from the phone;
 - The one/two/any incoming buses;
 - A button to show the geolocation via Google Maps;
 - A button to update the real-time data (distance and incoming buses);
 - A button to remove the favorite pair.



Activities (4)

- The map activity presents:
 - a map generated via Google Maps with the geolocation of the selected bus stop.



The update activity presents:

- progress bars concerning the updating of bus lines, stops and paths;
- a button changing from "WAIT..." to "DONE!" as soon as the whole process has terminated.



Aggiornamento

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Critical aspects (1)

- Quality of TPER web service and open data:
 - data redundancy
 - data correctness
 - slow server response
 - language consistency

Critical aspects (2)

Human-readable versus machine-readable:

```
<answer>
     <bus>
          <code>19C</code>
          <time>09:34</time>
     <bus>
     <bus>
          <code>19</code>
          <time>09:41</time>
     <bus>
</answer>
```

TODO list

- Extending the application to the train service.
- Adding more features:
 - distinguish between different paths within the same bus line;
 - find the shortest path to connect two points;
 - create an alarm system able to adapts to the real arrival time of a selected bus.