Backend Developer Assignment

Objective

Design and build a **Loan Origination System (LOS)** that safely and concurrently processes multiple loan applications, simulates system approval delays, supports agent-manager hierarchies, and sends mock notifications to relevant parties. The focus is on clean architecture, database design, thread-safety, and deployment readiness.

Functional Requirements:-

1. Submit Loan Application

Create an API to submit a new loan application.

Fields(e.g):

- loan id
- customer_name
- customer_phone
- loan_amount
- loan_type (ENUM: PERSONAL, HOME, AUTO, BUSINESS)
- application status
- created_at

Endpoint:

POST /api/v1/loans

2. Automated Loan Processing (Multithreaded Simulation)

Implement a background job using a thread pool to simulate system approval.

Each thread:

- Picks a loan with status APPLIED
- Waits for a random delay (e.g., 25 seconds) to simulate system checks
- Then applies simple rules to decide:
 - APPROVED BY SYSTEM
 - REJECTED BY SYSTEM
 - Or UNDER_REVIEW (if needs human input)

3. Agent Assignment and Review

If a loan goes to UNDER REVIEW:

- Automatically assign it to an available agent
- Each agent belongs to exactly one manager.
- An Agent can be the manager of another agent.
- Upon assignment, send a push notification to the agent and their manager.
- Allow agents to review and decide the outcome

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Agent Decision Endpoint:

PUT /api/v1/agents/{agent_id}/loans/{loan_id}/decision
Request Body:

{ "decision": "APPROVE" | "REJECT" }
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4. Notification (Mocked)

Mock the notification service:

- When a loan is assigned to an agent → push notification to the agent
- When a loan is approved, → SMS to the customer

Use a NotificationService interface with a logger/mock implementation.

5. Loan Status Monitoring

Provide real-time counts of loans in each status.

Endpoint:

GET /api/v1/loans/status-count

6. Top Customers API

Return the **top 3 customers** with the most approved loans (APPROVED_BY_SYSTEM + APPROVED_BY_AGENT).

Endpoint:

GET /api/v1/customers/top

7. Fetch Loans by Status with Pagination

Endpoint:

GET /api/v1/loans?status={status}&page={n}&size={m}

Evaluation Criteria

Area What We Look For

Scalability Can handle a large number of loan applications safely

Thread-Safety Proper locking to avoid race conditions

Clean Architecture Modular and maintainable codebase

Mock Integration Decoupled notification logic

DB Design Normalized, indexed where necessary

Testing Unit coverage for core services

Code Quality Readable, SOLID

Documentation Clear README and comments

Deployment Requirements

• Clean README.md with setup instructions

- Instructions to run the app locally with PostgreSQL/MySQL
- **Docker is optional** focus on runnable instructions and code organization.
- Export all tested APIs (success + failure cases)
- Add Postman collection to the GitHub repo

Submission: GitHub repository link with instructions in README.md.