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Building a Web Application that allows the navigation and search of mail archives

Mailing lists and mail archives are stored using the **mbox** format (and its variations). See:

- [gmail mbox description](#)
- [The application/mbox Media Type](#)

The main objective is to implement a server-side component with the [node.js](#) platform, which allows the development of server-side JavaScript applications. A recommended framework to develop web applications is [express](#). The back-end functionality (server-side) will be implemented via RESTful services. The student should research frameworks to implement search capabilities for a mbox file. Additional support libraries are mailbox parsers such as [MailParser](#) and/or [node-mbox](#).

Additionally, you should create a Web application (HTML5-based GUI) that allows the navigation and search of mail archives. To do that, the following steps are necessary:

1. Analyse in detail the use cases and the functionality of the application. Document and present graphically the results.
2. Implement a set of RESTful Web Services for these use cases. Document the functionality of these services.
3. Analyse in detail the use cases and workflow of the GUI. Document and present graphically the results.
4. Implement and test all the components.

Evaluation criteria

- Quality of the use cases analysis and modeling.
- Number of services implemented.
- Functionality of the application.
- Creativity of the GUI design.
- Coverage of the unit tests.