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## DESIGN DOCUMENT (FINAL)

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### I. Description

Over time, obesity has become a serious issue, especially in the United States. In fact, since 1975, global obesity rates have nearly tripled. To spread awareness, we created a website that extrapolates information from various datasets to graph and visualize obesity by state, country, and lifestyle. Our greater goal is to warn people about the rising danger of obesity and help them improve the quality of their lives.

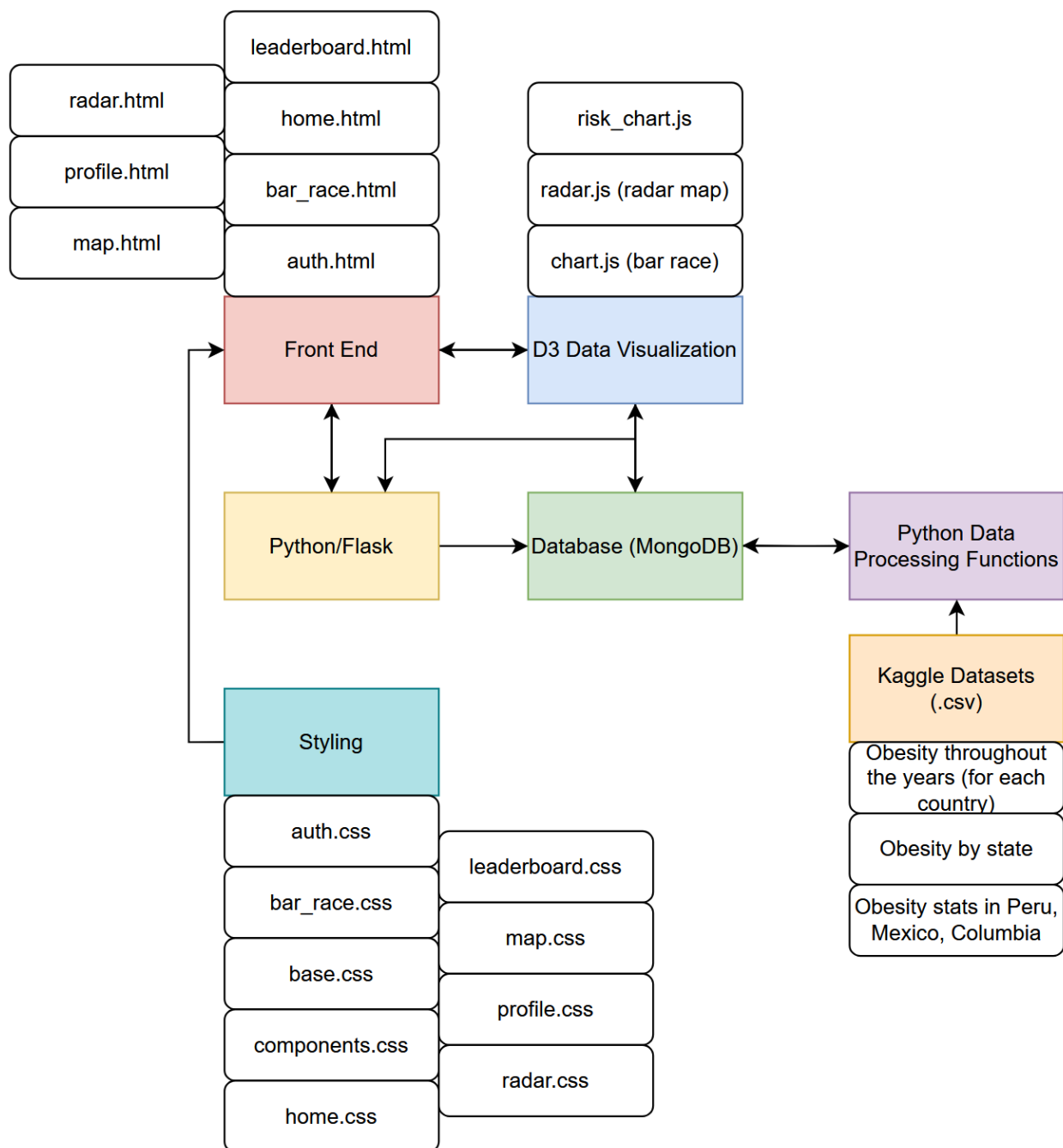
### A. Program Components

- I. Flask/Middleware
  - a. Handles URL routes and serves web app while managing session flow.
  - b. Session Management: Keeps track of logged-in states and user data inputs for obesity predictions
2. MongoDB Database
  - a. User Information: stores username, password, lifestyle data, and prediction records
  - b. Obesity Dataset: stores aggregated data from the Kaggle CSVs (e.g., obesity levels by country/state, risk classifications, etc.)
3. Data Processing
  - a. Python functions to homogenize data from the Kaggle datasets, such that they have a consistent format to load into MongoDB
4. Obesity Prediction/Analysis
  - a. Prediction module: user-entered data references the obesity dataset to generate a risk assessment
  - b. Risk factor explanation: provides insights on the factors that are most significant for that user
5. D3
  - a. Bar charts, line charts, pie charts, bubble maps, and spike maps to reflect obesity trends over time and across regions
  - b. User-driven filtering to update charts based on specific parameters

6. Front End
  - a. HTML templates to display data from Flask routes
  - b. Foundation provides grids and styling for multi-screen UI
  - c. Integrates with D3 such that data visualization is well structured within the UI
  - d. FEF: Foundation

## **B. Program Component Connections**

1. Flask <-> Database Helper Functions
  - a. Calls prediction modules and integrates with MongoDB data processing(i.e. data retrieval)
  - b. Serves data to the front-end
2. Flask <-> Templates/Front-End
  - a. Flask serves pages with obesity data and prediction
  - b. User interaction on templates triggers requests back to Flask routes
    - i. Input data about lifestyle and other health information for the prediction page
3. Templates <-> D3
  - a. Templates embed D3 scripts to visualize obesity data
4. Data Processing Python <-> Database
  - a. Python functions load and clean the Kaggle datasets into MongoDB
5. Database <-> D3
  - a. D3 visualizes data directly from the database



## C. Database Organization

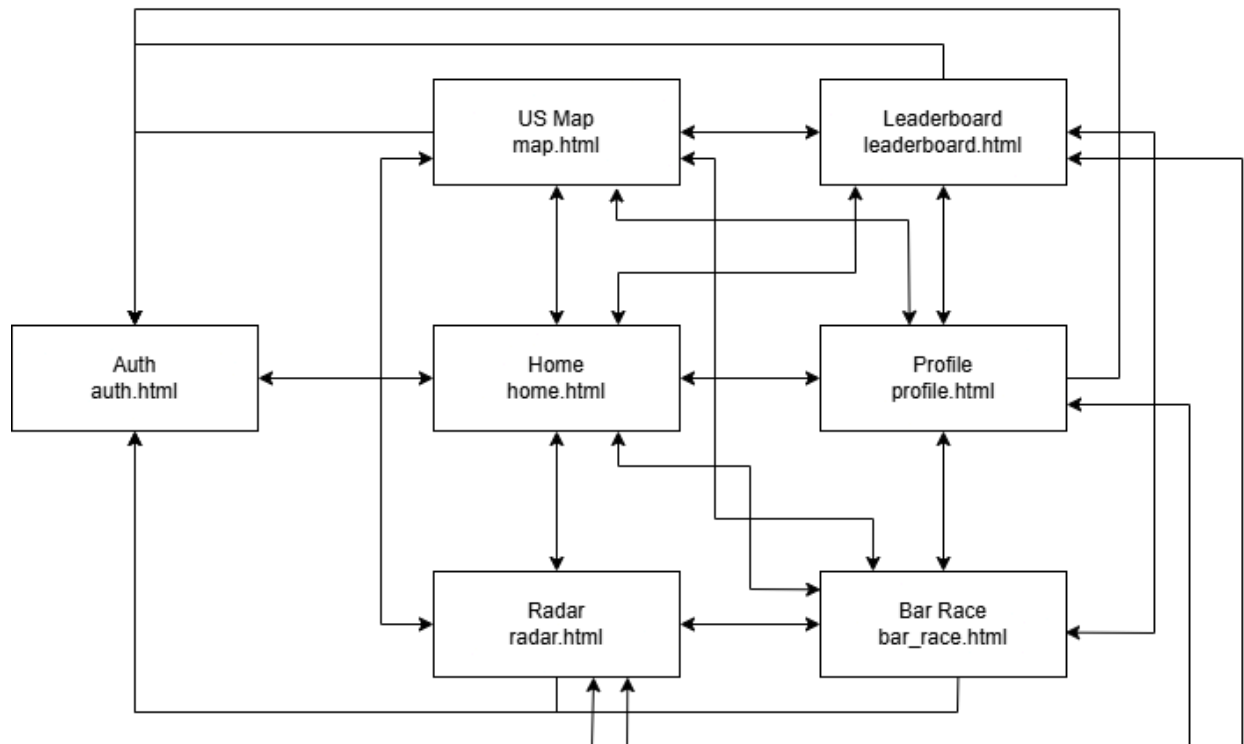
Mongo Document Database

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{
  "_id": ObjectId("..."), unique ID
  "personal_information": {
    "gender": Male or Female

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    "age": Integer
    "height": Float
    "weight": Float
    "family_history_with_overweight": yes or no
},
"lifestyle_factors": {
    "FAVC": Frequently consumes high-calorie foods (yes/no)
    "FCVC": Frequency of vegetable consumption (scale 1-3)
    "NCP": Number of main meals per day (integer)
    "CAEC": Food consumption between meals (string)
    "SMOKE": Whether the person smokes (yes/no)
    "CH2O": Daily water intake (scale 1-3)
    "SCC": Monitors calorie intake (yes/no)
    "FAF": Physical activity frequency (scale 0-3)
    "TUE": Time spent using technology (scale 0-3)
    "CALC": Alcohol consumption frequency (string)
    "MTRANS": Main mode of transportation (string)
},
"obesity_level": The target label: Obesity level
"location": {
    "country": Country of origin
    "state": State of origin
    "city": Optional field for city
}
}
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## D. Site Map + Descriptions

- I. Dashboard (/dashboard) - Displays user details (if logged in) and provides links to the graph visualization tool and prediction content
    - a. User details include name, the user's biological information (if provided), and the prediction analysis that the user has run, etc
  2. Graph Visualization (/graphs/type) - Displays various graphs on different aspects of the obesity datasets
    - a. Includes filtering and selection menus to show different kinds of graphs
  3. Predictions (/prediction) - Uses datasets to predict a user's chances of obesity, risk factors, and prevention methods (predicts users' chances, not the general population)
    - a. Requires the user to be logged in to use
  4. Login (/login) - Allows the user to log into their existing account
  5. Register (/register) - Allows the user to create an account
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1. Home (/home) - Displays navbar at the top with links to different graphs, a "GET ME OUT OF HERE" button if the user is logged in, and an introductory paragraph with statistics about obesity
  2. Profile (/profile) - Uses datasets to predict a user's chances of obesity, risk factors, and prevention methods (predicts users' chances, not the general population)
    - a. Requires the user to be logged in to use

3. US Map (/map) - Displays a map showing the obesity of each state in the United States.
  - a. Each state can be clicked to zoom in on and display the obesity percentage of that state
4. Radar (/radar) - Displays a radar graph showing the comparison of many aspects of life between a person with normal weight and a person with type I obesity
  - a. Aspects include tech use, veggie frequency, water litres, high-calorie food, meals per day, and physical activity
5. Bar Race (/bar\_race) - Displays a simulation showing the ranking of the top 12 countries in the world in terms of obesity rates in each year from 1975-2016.
  - a. The number of countries the user is willing to display can be changed via a dropdown
  - b. The speed of the simulation can be changed via a slider
6. Leaderboard (/risk\_leaderboard) - Displays a leaderboard ranking the top correlating factors of obesity amongst our user base.
  - a. The higher the value is, the greater the factor's correlation is with BMI, or obesity.
7. Auth (/auth) - Allows the user to either log in to their existing account or create an account if they don't have one

## **E. Frontend Framework: Foundation**

- I. Why Foundation?
  - a. Easy-to-use and easy-to-follow tutorials
  - b. A vast amount of CSS and JS components that will make things look and feel good
2. How Foundation?
  - a. Grid System: Structure layout of pages like the dashboard and graph visualizers (Website will be able to adapt to size changes)
  - b. Pre-designed Components: Buttons, Forms, etc
  - c. JS Plugins: Modal Windows for confirmation messages

## **F. APIS**

- a. None

## **G. Data Visualization Library: D3**

- I. Why D3?
  - a. Flexibility - Precise control over various parts of the graph, enabling highly customizable visualizations
  - b. Data Binding - Binds data to DOM elements, allowing real-time updates
  - c. Appearance - Looks extremely clean and has many built-in animations/interactable elements

- d. Declarative Syntax - Simplifies mapping data to graphical elements
- 2. How D3?
  - a. Bar charts - Compare obesity rates among different demographics
  - b. Line charts - Track how obesity has changed over time
  - c. Pie charts - Show the distribution of the different types of obesity (overweight, extremely overweight, obese, etc)
  - d. Bubble Maps - Show where obesity is more prevalent around the world/country

## H. Datasets

- 1. Obesity level estimation:  
<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/adeniranstephen/obesity-prediction-dataset>
- 2. Estimation of obesity levels:  
<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/aravindpcoder/obesity-or-cvd-risk-classifyregressorcluster>
- 3. Obesity by state:  
<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/irakozekelly/national-obesity-percentages-by-state>
- 4. Obesity throughout the years:  
<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/amanarora/obesity-among-adults-by-country-19752016>

## I. Task Breakdown

- 1. PM + Frontend Lead - Vedant Kothari
  - a. Frontend - HTML templates, CSS, and FEF implementation
  - b. Facilitating clear communications
- 2. Graph Lead - Aidan Wong
  - a. Graph Visualization → Work with Database and Middleware leaders for implementation
  - b. User authentication functionality
- 3. Middleware Lead - Alex Luo
  - a. Setting up the Flask environment and creating functionality for the website
  - b. Working with Database and Graph leaders to develop specialized functions
- 4. Database Lead - Jonathan Metzler
  - a. Create a database using MongoDB that combines CSV datasets from external sources
  - b. Working with Middleware and Graph leaders to create necessary general functions to interact with the database