
SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATION

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Software Requirements Specification (SRS) document is to provide a detailed overview of the requirements for the Time Tracking and Management System. This document outlines the system's functionality, design goals, and intended use to ensure a comprehensive understanding of its scope and potential. The system aims to facilitate accurate tracking and calculation of work hours while maintaining flexibility for future expansions. The backend will demonstrate the benefits of a functional programming approach, supporting maintainability and extensibility.

1.2 Intended Audience and Reading Suggestions

This document is intended for various stakeholders who have an interest in the development and use of the system:

- **Project Stakeholders:** For a thorough understanding of the system's features and constraints.
- **Developers:** To understand the functional and non-functional requirements, allowing for seamless implementation.
- **Quality Assurance Teams:** To ensure that testing aligns with the specified requirements.
- **Future Contributors:** To grasp the system's architecture and contribute to its expansion effectively.

Readers are advised to first review the functional requirements section to understand the core system functionality and then move to the non-functional requirements for insights into performance and security aspects. Those involved in architecture and backend development should focus on the system architecture and technology sections to appreciate how the functional programming style enhances the backend.

1.3 Project Scope

The Time Tracking and Management System is designed to provide an efficient, user-friendly platform for tracking work hours, recording breaks, and generating reports. This software was conceptualized due to a personal interest in self-hosting and experimenting with homelab setups. Existing open-source solutions did not meet the specific needs for flexibility, modularity, and architectural robustness.

The initial scope of the project includes core functionalities such as user management, time tracking, project assignments, and report generation. However, the software's architecture is designed to support future modular extensions. Potential future modules could include features like work desk planning, allowing users to plan and allocate their work tasks in advance.

The backend of this system is built with a focus on functional programming principles, enabling cleaner, more predictable code and easier scalability. This approach also ensures that additional functionalities can be seamlessly integrated as the software evolves.

The combination of a robust, extendable architecture and a functional programming backend makes this system a unique and effective solution for personal and professional time management needs.

2 Requirements

2.1 Functional Requirements

FA-1: User Registration

- **Description:** The user must be able to register in the system.
- **Details:**
 - Input of username and password.
 - Check for existing username.
 - Return a confirmation message upon successful registration.
- **Validations:** Unique username, password must meet security requirements.

FA-2: User Login

- **Description:** The user can log into the system.
- **Details:**
 - Input of username and password.
 - Return an authentication token upon successful verification.
- **Validations:** Correct input of username and password.

FA-3: Password Recovery

- **Description:** The user can reset their password.
- **Details:**
 - Request a recovery link via email.
 - Set a new password.
- **Validations:** Valid email, new password must meet security requirements.

FA-4: User Profile Management

- **Description:** The user can manage their profile data.
- **Details:** Display and edit profile information.
- **Validations:** Unique email when modified.

FA-5: Automatic Time Tracking

- **Description:** Time tracking with start/stop buttons.
- **Details:** Store start and end times for calculating work duration.
- **Validations:** Cannot start tracking if already active.

FA-6: Manual Time Tracking

- **Description:** Manual entry of work times.
- **Details:** Input start and end times, including optional breaks.

FA-7: Break Times

- **Description:** Add break times during a work period.
- **Details:** Breaks are subtracted from total work time.
- **Validations:** Breaks must be within the start and end times.

FA-8: Project Assignment

- **Description:** Assign recorded times to projects.
- **Details:** Projects can be created and managed in the system.
- **Validations:** Valid project required for time entry.

FA-9: Task Description

- **Description:** Add task descriptions to time entries.
- **Details:** Input descriptions or select from templates.

FA-10: Daily and Weekly Reports

- **Description:** Generate reports of work times.
- **Details:** Includes total work time, break time, and overtime.
- **Validations:** Reports can only be generated for registered users.

FA-11: Export Function

- **Description:** Export reports as PDF or CSV.
- **Details:** Select projects and date ranges for export.

FA-12: Reminder Function

- **Description:** The system reminds the user to start or stop time tracking.
- **Details:** Configurable notifications in the user profile.

2.2 Non-functional Requirements

NFA-1: User Data Security

- **Description:** User data must be securely stored and transmitted.
- **Details:** Passwords stored as hashes, TLS for data transmission.

NFA-2: Performance

- **Description:** Response time should be under 200 ms.

NFA-3: Scalability

- **Description:** Support a large number of concurrent users.

NFA-4: Usability

- **Description:** The interface should be intuitive and responsive.

NFA-5: Data Integrity and Security

- **Description:** Ensure data integrity and restricted access.
- **Details:** Authentication and data encryption required.

NFA-6: Performance Optimization

- **Description:** Optimization through caching techniques.

3 Technical Specification

3.1 Overall Architecture

The system is designed as a full-stack web application, comprising the following main components:

- **Frontend:** Implemented using React, connecting to the backend via WebSockets or HTTP (gRPC/REST).
- **Backend:** Two separate implementations using Go and Dart, managing requests, business logic, and database interactions.
- **Databases:** PostgreSQL for structured data persistence and Redis for caching and real-time data management.
- **Communication Protocols:** WebSockets for real-time updates and gRPC for efficient communication, with REST as a fallback.

3.2 Technology Stack

3.2.1 Frontend

- **React:** Used for building an interactive and responsive user interface.
- **WebSockets:** Integrated for real-time updates from the server.

3.2.2 Backend

- **Go:**
 - **ORM:** GORM for database interactions with PostgreSQL.
 - **Redis Integration:** Using `go-redis` for caching and real-time operations.
 - **WebSockets:** Implemented using the `gorilla/websocket` package.
 - **gRPC/REST:** Using gRPC for communication, with `net/http` and `gorilla/mux` as a REST fallback.
- **Dart:**
 - **ORM:** Using `drift` or `aqueduct` for PostgreSQL integration.
 - **Redis Client:** `redis_client` for interacting with Redis.
 - **WebSockets:** Implemented with `shelf_web_socket` or `web_socket_channel`.
 - **gRPC/REST:** Using gRPC Dart with `shelf` as a REST fallback.

3.2.3 Databases

- **PostgreSQL:** Used for storing structured data such as user and session information.
- **Redis:** Utilized for caching, managing active sessions, and real-time data handling.

3.3 Key Specifications

3.3.1 Database Models

Cache Data (Redis)

- Stores temporary data such as active work sessions, user statuses, and live updates.

3.3.2 Backend Implementation

Go Backend

- **ORM:** GORM for database interaction with PostgreSQL.
- **Redis Integration:** `go-redis` for handling real-time operations.
- **WebSockets:** Implemented with `gorilla/websocket`.
- **Communication Protocols:** Initial focus on gRPC, with REST using `net/http` as a fallback.

Dart Backend

- **ORM:** `drift` or `aqueduct` for database operations.
- **Redis Integration:** `redis_client` for caching and real-time functions.
- **WebSockets:** Implemented using `shelf_web_socket` or `web_socket_channel`.
- **Communication Protocols:** gRPC for internal service communication, with `shelf` for REST as a fallback.

3.4 Entities

3.4.1 User

The **User** entity represents an individual who interacts with the system.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the user.
 - **username:** String, must be unique.
 - **password_hash:** String, stores the hashed password.
 - **email:** String, must be unique.
 - **created_at:** Timestamp, when the user was created.
 - **updated_at:** Timestamp, when the user was last updated.

3.4.2 WorkSession

The **WorkSession** entity tracks a specific period of work for a user.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the work session.
 - **user_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing the **User**.
 - **start_time:** Timestamp, when the session starts.
 - **end_time:** Timestamp, when the session ends.
 - **breaks:** JSON array representing break intervals.
 - **project_id:** UUID, optional, foreign key referencing **Project**.
 - **description:** Text, optional, describing the session.

3.4.3 Project

The **Project** entity represents a project to which work sessions can be assigned.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the project.
 - **name:** String, name of the project.
 - **description:** Text, optional, describing the project.
 - **created_at:** Timestamp, when the project was created.
 - **updated_at:** Timestamp, when the project was last updated.
 - **owner_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing the **User** who owns the project.

3.4.4 BreakInterval

The **BreakInterval** entity represents a break within a work session.

- **Attributes:**
 - **start_time:** Timestamp, when the break starts.
 - **end_time:** Timestamp, when the break ends.
- **Note:** This can be stored as a JSON array or in a separate table linked to **WorkSession**.

3.4.5 NotificationSetting

The **NotificationSetting** entity holds user-specific notification preferences.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the setting.
 - **user_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing the **User**.
 - **notification_type:** Enum (e.g., Email, Push).
 - **enabled:** Boolean, whether the notification is enabled.

3.4.6 Report

The **Report** entity represents generated reports of work sessions.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the report.
 - **user_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing the **User**.
 - **generated_at:** Timestamp, when the report was generated.
 - **type:** Enum (e.g., Daily, Weekly).
 - **content:** JSON, containing the report summary.

3.4.7 Role

The **Role** entity defines the different roles that users can have in the system.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the role.
 - **name:** String, name of the role (e.g., Admin, User).
 - **description:** Text, optional, describing the role.

3.4.8 Permission

The **Permission** entity specifies the actions that can be performed in the system.

- **Attributes:**
 - **id:** UUID, unique identifier for the permission.
 - **name:** String, name of the permission (e.g., CREATE_PROJECT, VIEW_REPORT).
 - **description:** Text, optional, describing the permission.

3.4.9 RolePermission

The **RolePermission** linking table associates roles with permissions.

- **Attributes:**
 - **role_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing **Role**.
 - **permission_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing **Permission**.

3.4.10 UserRole

The **UserRole** linking table associates users with their roles.

- **Attributes:**
 - **user_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **User**.
 - **role_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **Role**.

4 System Design

4.1 Overview

The system design for the Time Tracking and Management System follows the principles of Domain-Driven Design (DDD) and Clean Architecture. This approach ensures that the system is modular, maintainable, and scalable. The system is divided into well-defined layers, separating concerns and allowing for future enhancements with minimal changes to the core logic.

4.2 Architectural Design

- **Domain Layer:** Contains the core business logic and entities, including **User**, **WorkSession**, **Project**, **Role**, and **Permission**.
- **Application Layer:** Hosts use cases and application services, such as **UserService**, **TimeTrackingService**, and **RoleManagementService**, that coordinate business logic.
- **Infrastructure Layer:** Implements the database interaction using ORMs (e.g., GORM for Go, drift/aqueduct for Dart), caching with Redis, and integration with PostgreSQL.
- **Interface Adapters Layer:** Contains controllers, WebSocket handlers, and REST/gRPC endpoints that interact with the frontend and external services.
- **Frontend (React):** Serves as the interface between the user and the backend, handling user input and displaying data in a user-friendly manner.

4.3 Module Design

Each component of the system is broken down into modules to promote modularity and reusability.

4.3.1 User Management Module

- **Description:** Handles user registration, authentication, profile management, and password recovery.
- **Components:**
 - **UserController:** Exposes API endpoints for user-related operations.
 - **UserService:** Contains business logic for user management.
 - **UserRepository:** Provides data access to the **User** table.

4.3.2 Time Tracking Module

- **Description:** Manages work sessions, including starting, stopping, and manual entry of time.
- **Components:**
 - **TimeTrackingController:** Handles API requests for time tracking.
 - **TimeTrackingService:** Implements logic for managing work sessions.
 - **WorkSessionRepository:** Manages database interactions for work sessions.

4.3.3 Project Management Module

- **Description:** Facilitates the creation and management of projects that users can be assigned to.
- **Components:**
 - **ProjectController:** Provides endpoints for project-related operations.
 - **ProjectService:** Contains business logic for managing projects.
 - **ProjectRepository:** Accesses data in the **Project** table.

4.3.4 Role and Permission Module

- **Description:** Manages role-based access control (RBAC) and permissions for users.
- **Components:**
 - **RoleController:** Handles role-related requests.
 - **PermissionService:** Manages permissions and role-permission mappings.
 - **RoleRepository** and **PermissionRepository:** Provide data access for roles and permissions.

4.4 Data Flow

The system follows a clear data flow to ensure separation of concerns:

1. **Frontend Request:** The user interacts with the React frontend, which sends requests (e.g., via WebSockets or HTTP).
2. **Controller Layer:** The request is received by a controller (e.g., **UserController**), which forwards it to the appropriate service.
3. **Application Layer:** The service (e.g., **UserService**) processes the request, applies business logic, and interacts with repositories.
4. **Infrastructure Layer:** The repository interacts with the database or caching layer (PostgreSQL or Redis) to retrieve or modify data.
5. **Response:** The result is sent back to the controller and then to the frontend for display to the user.

4.5 Technologies Used

- **Backend (Go):**
 - **ORM:** GORM for database interaction.
 - **Redis Client:** go-redis for caching.
 - **WebSocket and HTTP Handling:** gorilla/websocket and gorilla/mux.
- **Backend (Dart):**
 - **ORM:** drift or aqueduct.
 - **Redis Client:** redis_client.
 - **WebSocket Handling:** shelf_web_socket.
- **Frontend (React):**
 - **HTTP Requests:** Axios or Fetch API.
 - **WebSocket Library:** Socket.IO or native WebSocket API.

4.6 Database Objects (DBOs)

4.6.1 User Table

The **User Table** stores information about users in the system.

- **Columns:**
 - **id:** UUID, primary key.
 - **username:** String, unique.
 - **password_hash:** String.
 - **email:** String, unique.
 - **created_at:** Timestamp, not null.
 - **updated_at:** Timestamp, not null.

4.6.2 WorkSession Table

The **WorkSession Table** keeps track of individual work sessions for each user.

- **Columns:**
 - **id**: UUID, primary key.
 - **user_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **User**.
 - **start_time**: Timestamp, not null.
 - **end_time**: Timestamp, nullable.
 - **breaks**: JSON, represents break intervals.
 - **project_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **Project**, nullable.
 - **description**: Text, optional.

4.6.3 Project Table

The **Project Table** contains data related to projects that users can be assigned to.

- **Columns:**
 - **id**: UUID, primary key.
 - **name**: String, not null.
 - **description**: Text, optional.
 - **created_at**: Timestamp, not null.
 - **updated_at**: Timestamp, not null.
 - **owner_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **User**.

4.6.4 BreakInterval Table

The **BreakInterval Table** represents breaks within a work session.

- **Columns:**
 - **id**: UUID, primary key.
 - **work_session_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **WorkSession**.
 - **start_time**: Timestamp, not null.
 - **end_time**: Timestamp, not null.

4.6.5 NotificationSetting Table

The **NotificationSetting Table** holds user-specific notification preferences.

- **Columns:**
 - **id**: UUID, primary key.
 - **user_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **User**.
 - **notification_type**: Enum, defines the type of notification (e.g., Email, Push).
 - **enabled**: Boolean, whether the notification is enabled or not.

4.6.6 Report Table

The **Report Table** stores generated reports related to user work sessions.

- **Columns:**
 - **id**: UUID, primary key.
 - **user_id**: UUID, foreign key referencing **User**.
 - **generated_at**: Timestamp, when the report was generated.
 - **type**: Enum, type of report (e.g., Daily, Weekly).
 - **content**: JSON, contains the report details.

4.6.7 Role Table

The **Role Table** defines different roles that can be assigned to users.

- **Columns:**
 - **id:** UUID, primary key.
 - **name:** String, unique.
 - **description:** Text, optional.

4.6.8 Permission Table

The **Permission Table** holds information about various actions that can be performed in the system.

- **Columns:**
 - **id:** UUID, primary key.
 - **name:** String, unique.
 - **description:** Text, optional.

4.6.9 RolePermission Table

The **RolePermission Table** is a linking table associating roles with their respective permissions.

- **Columns:**
 - **role_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing **Role**.
 - **permission_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing **Permission**.

4.6.10 UserRole Table

The **UserRole Table** associates users with their assigned roles.

- **Columns:**
 - **user_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing **User**.
 - **role_id:** UUID, foreign key referencing **Role**.