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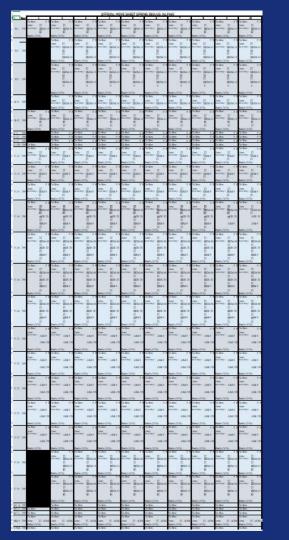
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Problem Statement

Current wargaming training solutions for cadets enrolled in Air Force ROTC (AFROTC) programs are expensive, physical, and overly complicated.



Proposed Solution

A GameMaker Studio video game replication of the ISU AFROTC wargame, and a Java Spring Boot server application hosted on a Raspberry Pi for handling game logic and long term database storage





Functional Requirements Deployability Extensibility Rule Book

Deployability

- Support multiple operating systems
- Java Spring Boot backend
- Backend installation documentation

Extensibility

 Support for a large list of concurrently saved games

Rule Book

- Provided by AFROTC
- Ensures game adheres to learning objectives

Non-Functional Requirements

Learning Outcomes

Performance

User Interfaces



- Learning Outcomes
 - Agile Combat Employment (ACE) strategy
- Performance
 - Low-latency in network requests
- User Interfaces
 - Intuitive
 - Provide Instruction

Meeting Requirements

Deployability

Extensibility

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Deployability

- Support for multiple operating systems
 - MacOS
 - Windows
- ISU network hosting
- o Packaged app in .exe
- Backend installation documentation

Meeting Requirements

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Learning Outcomes

Performance

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Extensibility

- Support for a large list of concurrently saved games
- Recorded user relationships



Deployability

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Learning Outcomes

- Aircraft Identification
- Adaptation to a changing strategic environment to win

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Performance

- Quick network response time
- Front end optimizations for a variety of end user device configurations



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User Interfaces

- Intuitive design
- Displayed keybinds
- o Tutorial with text narration









































User selects and opens a game associated with their account



















Creating an Account



Logging into an Account



Creating a New Game



Joining an Existing Game



Moving Assets



Equipping Assets



First Player Submits Moves



Second Player Submits Moves



Playing Through the Tutorial



Full Demo





Raspberry Pi Setup

Our team is using a Raspberry Pi 3
that has a MicroSD with an
operating system installed to
operate as a small server for running
our application

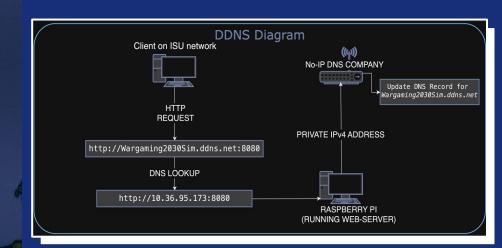


Dynamic DNS (DDNS)

Issue: Pi doesn't have a static IP.

Solution: Pi uses DDNS Service, No-IP, to automatically update a domain name to the Pi's changing private IP address.

Result: Pi is only addressable by computers inside ISU's network, and is hidden behind ISU's NAT/Firewall.



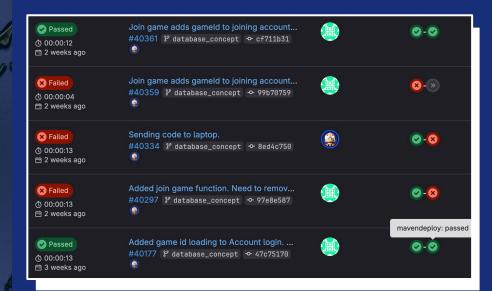




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**********
Entering main loop.
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Create Account Test
Actual JSON Response: {"playerId":280}
Expected JSON Response: {"playerId":280}
RESULT: PASSED
Login Test
Actual JSON Response: {"playerId":280,"gameIds":[]}
Expected JSON Response: {"playerId":280,"gameIds":...
RESULT: PASSED
Create Game Test
Actual JSON Response:
                      {"gameId":281, "playerId":280, "country":1, "canMove":0, "winFlag":-1, "usaAsset
Expected JSON Response: {"gameId":INT,"playerId":280,"country":1...
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Retrieve Games List Test
Actual JSON Response: {"playerId":280,"gameIds":[281]}
Expected JSON Response: {"playerId":280,"gameIds":...
RESULT: PASSED
Join Game Test
                      {"gameId":281,"playerId":280,"country":0,"canMove":1,"winFlag":-1,"usaAsset
Actual JSON Response:
Expected JSON Response: {"gameId":INT,"playerId":280,"country":0...
RESULT: PASSED
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Automated Testing

Our code repository has testing built into our CI/CD pipeline as another line of testing that also automatically deploys the code





User Testing

- Manual UI tests through development
- Postman for testing backend requests and verifying JSON formatting
 - Small group of cadets who played the game and provided feedback for bugs and other improvements

- The frontend developers
 continuously performed manual UI
 tests over the course of
 development
- The team as a whole used Postman to verify the functionality of backend endpoint before making connections to the frontend
- We had a small group of 3 AFROTC cadets who play tested the game for us and provided us with bugs found and design improvements through a Microsoft Teams chat



Closing Thoughts

Key takeaways from the project:

- Working collaboratively with the same core team for an extended period (~1 year)
- Developing a project schedule and planning development phases months in advance
- Specific technical knowledge of Java Spring Boot and GameMaker Studio
- Working with a client to extract requirements from needs, understanding user expectations / empathy

