

Introduction

Problem: Finding a parking spot is currently inefficient, time-consuming, and frustrating.

Solution: UNIPark is a modern day solution leveraging **computer vision** algorithms to help solve these issues.

Design Requirements

Functional Requirements:

- Display capacity of parking lots
- Display capacity within lots
- Incorporate a secure payment portal
- Enable reporting of issues (misparking, blockages, etc)
- Enable saving of spots

Non-Functional Requirements:

- Easy to use interface (for parkers and admins)
- Consistent behavior (reliable app, server, and hardware)
- Quick use of key features
- Visually appealing (app and hardware)
- Modular hardware (deployable)

Intended Users

Parking User:

- Rushed Parker
 - Quick to use with an intuitive interface
- Elderly and Disabled Parker
 - Accessible and simple
- Patient Parker
 - Able to secure their “perfect” spot
- Proactive Parker
 - Able to reserve spot ahead of time
- Forgetful Parker
 - Find car with license plate look-up

Admin User:

- Configure lot specifics (price, reservation durations, etc.)

Technical Details

Frontend

- React Native
- Paper
- Stripe
- Axios
- IOS and Android

Backend

- Java Spring Boot
- MySQL
- Docker Compose
- REST API
- Deployed to Pyrite VM

Hardware

- Arducam 16MP Wide Angle USB Camera
 - Collecting images of the parking lot
- Raspberry Pi 5
 - Checking images for cars
 - Reading license plates
 - Sending collected data to backend
- Docker
 - Automatic deployments

Testing

Hardware Testing

- Latency and Resolution

Connectivity

- Pi and Backend Server

Endpoint

- Ensure Correct REST results and functionality

Frontend

- User testing via app simulation
- Regression testing



Figure 1: Plate Detection

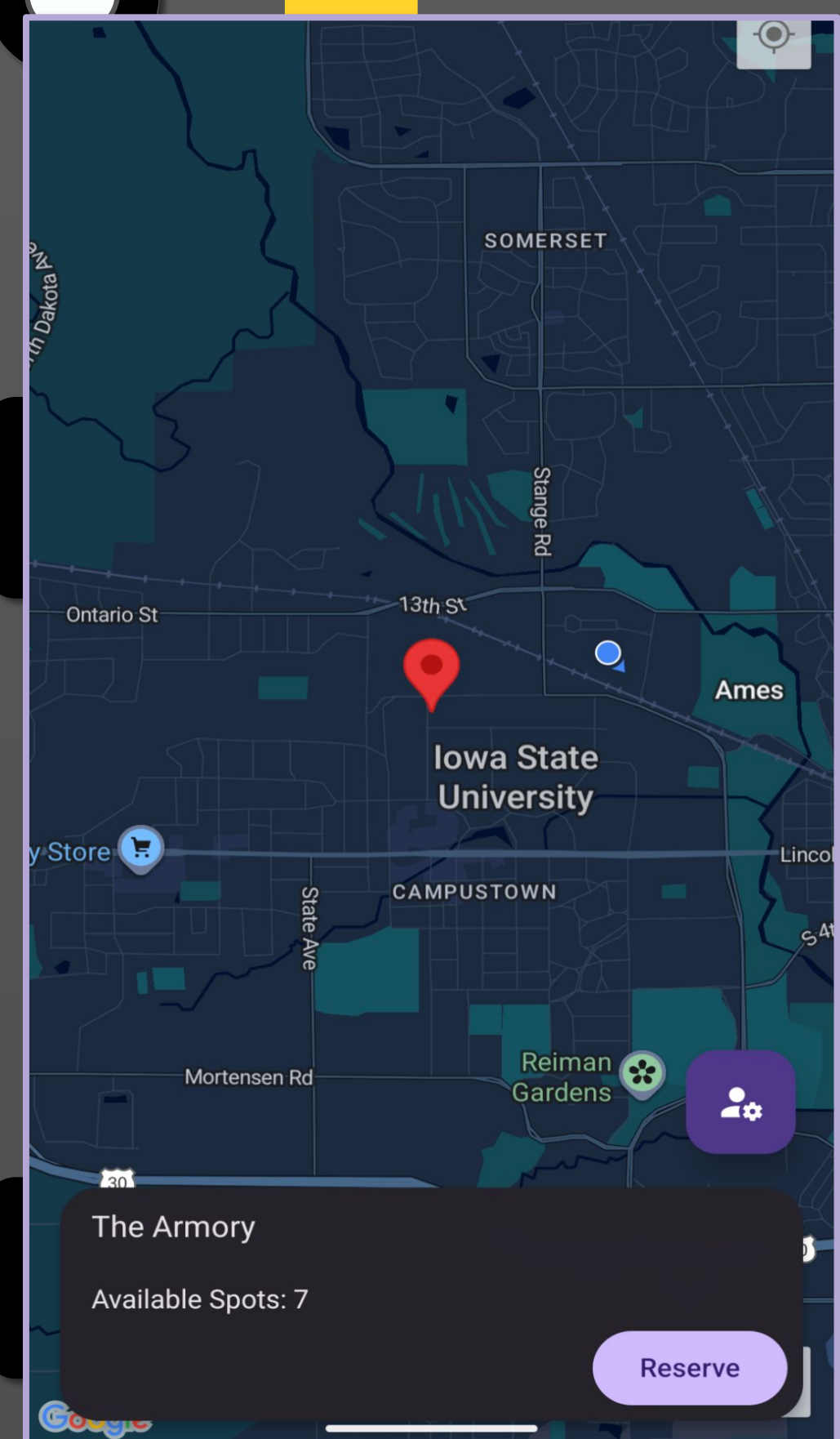


Figure 2: Parking Map Screen

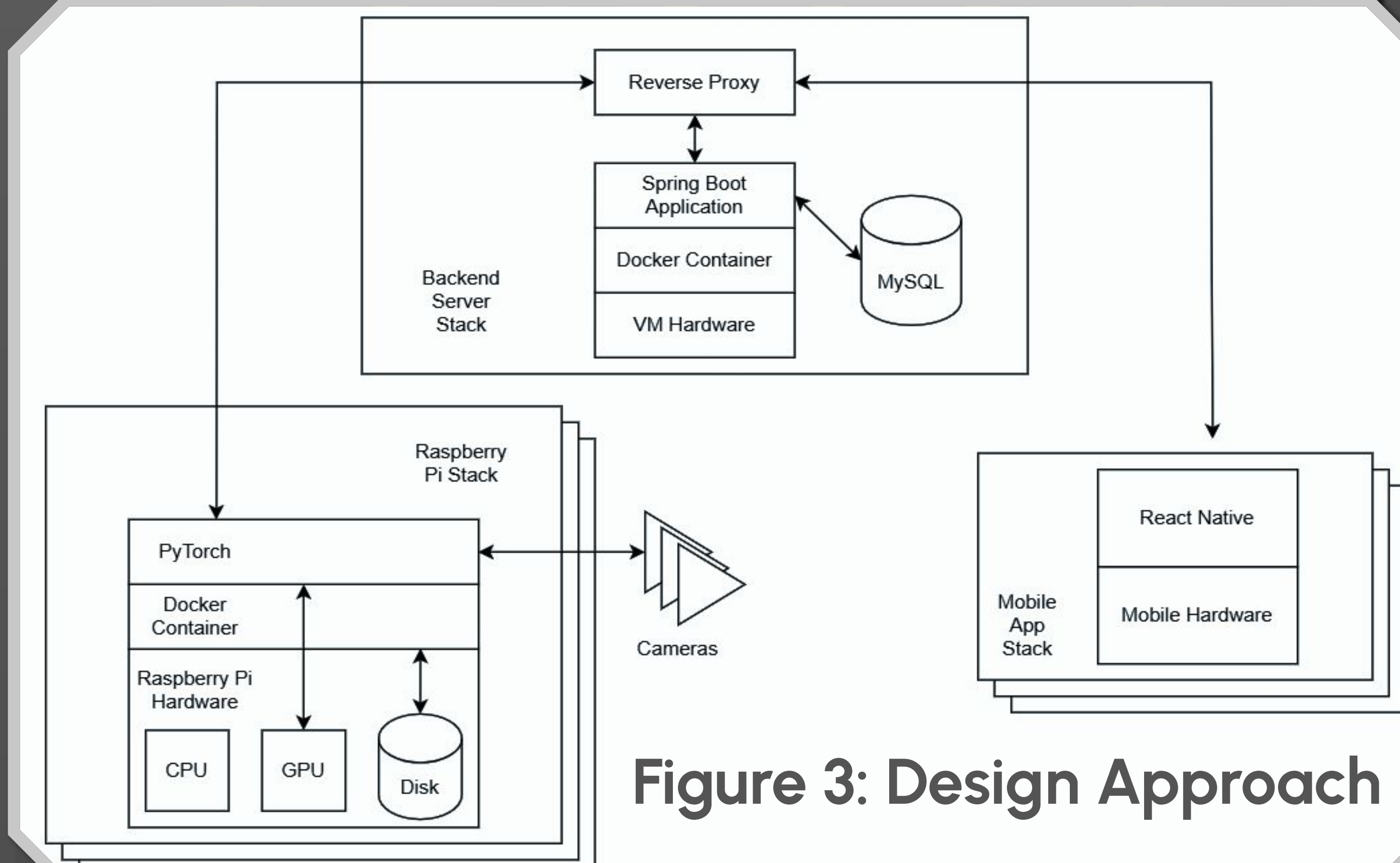


Figure 3: Design Approach