WYZE PLACES: Android and iOS Apps for New Smart Home Interactions

Introduction and Project Motivation

- Wyze is a tech start-up specializing in accessible and innovative smart home products.
- Conventional smart home apps display devices in a list view, lacking visual context in physical spaces.
- Wyze Places seeks to use a map view to visually communicate device statuses and locations.
- The scope includes designing, developing, and testing Android and iOS apps realizing this goal.

Requirements and Objectives

INDUSTRY EXPECTATIONS

The following features should be functional: • "Add, edit, delete map"

- Users can choose the floor plan shown. • "Add, edit, delete devices on the map"
- Users can place, reposition, and remove devices.
- "Access and control devices from the map" • Users can toggle icons to turn devices on/off.
- "Integrate with existing Wyze backend services"
- User credentials can be verified by Wyze. • Users can make API calls to enable actual on/off of physical Wyze devices.



DELIVERABLES • Minimum Viable Product (Winter)

- Static map floor plan (png) • Device addition, placement, and
- deletion • Prototype 2.0 (Spring)
- Device actual on/off
- Floor Plan Customizability
- Login
- Saving State

TWO SUB-TEAM APPROACH

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System Design and Architecture



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Android and iOS Implementations



	ANDROID	iOS
Programming Language	Kotlin	Swift
UI Formatting	XML	UIKit
Tools	Android Studio, GitHub	Xcode, GitHub
Debugging and Testing	Timber	Swift REPL

Networking Approaches

Android: MVVM ARCHITECTURE

- Retrofit [6] REST client; API auth; manager of
- network requests
- OkHttp [7] HTTP client
- RxJava [8] reactive programming library; asynchronous/observable event handling



- Wyze Places uses a Firebase document database called Cloud Firestore to save the users' device data across the Android and iOS apps.
- The "devices" collection has 7 fields: device_id, floorplan_id, status (true = on, false = off), type, user_id, x_location, and y_location.
- The "users" collection has 2 fields: last_floorplan and user_id.

iOS: MVC ARCHITECTURE

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UIKit - Framework; manage app views and interactions between user and app • Foundation - Library; provides functionality for the app/frameworks (i.e., data storage)







Conclusion and Future Work

- How to code in Kotlin and Swift

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Results

• We have developed easy-to-use mobile apps which provide visual context to smart home interactions and are integrable with Wyze's existing infrastructure. • As a team with no prior mobile development experience, we learned the following:

• How to work with networking and backend services like Cloud Firestore • How to effectively design an app's user interface and user experience. Future improvements to the Wyze Places apps may include an integrated camera feed, a user-uploaded floor plan, and further user interface improvements.

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