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Summary

OMD is a software tool that helps service providers from various domains to use their resources effectively, to provide agile solutions, to conserve their knowledge base, to allocate each call unmistakably to the right expert / provider, and with the best solution of the particular problem at hand. This document covers 8 use cases which focus on different sectors.

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1. Introduction

As the main objective of WP2, companies who participate to this study will cover each use case defined in the FPP. Use Cases from various sectors and countries will enable outputs for an efficient OMD framework.

Companies' use cases in this study will cover :

- ARD Group : Justice Sector(EqualityInJustice)
- BEIA GmbH : Logistic and Operations Support
- Dogus Technology : Consumer Electronics (SmartFix)
- Caretronic d.o.o. : Healthcare
- Experteam : Software Support (Tickota)
- FrontEndART : Software Development (Optimal software maintenance task assignment)
- FTP-Com. Equip. Inf. Lda : E-Commerce (Recommend4You)
- Strategy Big Data : Telemarketing (Omniticket)

2. Scenarios and Use Cases

Each Scenario and Use Case prepared by each company listed in alphabetical order below :

2.1. ARD Group

2.1.1. The Problem Statement

Democracy depends on a level playing field in the justice system, but justice can be elusive for poor and low-income citizens unable to obtain counsel due to a shortage of affordable lawyers, a complex web of procedural rules working against them, thus creating a "justice gap". In order to minimize the victimization of vulnerable groups in the legal systems, smart technologies could be developed minimizing the risks and biases associated with human factors, to provide fair and transparent legal aid for appointment and selection of lawyers in civil and criminal justice as well as mediation and reconciliation systems.

| Problem 1 | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| The problem of | Delay in reaching a assigned lawyer |
| Affects | The Victim/Suspect, Justice Personnel |
| The impact of which is | Increase in the time of detention of the Victim/Suspect and delay overall service processes of justice personnel |
| A successful solution would | Create automation in assignment of most suitable lawyer to the court within the trigger of Victim/Suspect's arrival and fasten service processes of justice personnel |

| Problem 2 | |
|----------------|---|
| The problem of | Assignment of a lawyer with unsuitable schedule |

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Affects | Victim/Suspect, The lawyer, Justice Personnel |
| The impact of which is | Increase in the time of detention, Create dissatisfaction for the lawyer for the means of time management and create repetition scheduling for the Justice Personnel |
| A successful solution would | Create automation in assignment of most suitable lawyer with proper time management to solve time management problems and increase service quality of Justice Personnel |

2.1.2. End-users and Stakeholders Description

2.1.2.1. Stakeholder Summary

| Name | Represents | Role |
|--|--------------|--|
| Victim/Suspects | End Users | Participants in Focus groups, usability tests and evaluation pilot studies |
| Lawyers | End Users | Participants in Focus groups, usability tests and evaluation pilot studies |
| Justice Personnel | End Users | Participants in Focus groups, usability tests and evaluation pilot studies |
| Management on Demand Technology Providers | Stakeholders | Participants in focus groups |

2.1.2.2. User Summary

| Name | Description |
|--|---|
| Victim/Suspect | People, who are arrested and detained before going to court |
| Lawyers | Legal professionals who assist Victim/Suspects before, during and after court processes |
| Justice Personnel | Workers of the legal system, assisting Victim/Suspects and lawyers |
| Management on Demand Technology Providers | Stakeholders that provide and disseminate technological solutions used by legal authorities |

2.1.3. Expected benefits to End Users and innovation expectations

| End User Benefit | Supporting Features |
|----------------------------|--|
| Reduced time of arrestment | Automated assignment of lawyers triggered from the arrival of the Victim/Suspect |
| Optimized Scheduling | Schedule optimization of the lawyers |
| Reduced Legal Processes | Removal of human interference from assignment processes |
| Increased Service Quality | Improvements in overall legal system quality of service |

2.1.4. Scope and Objectives of Use Case

The Use Case aims to develop and validate a set of information and communication technologies of optimizing appointment/assignment of Lawyers in Justice. In this sense, it intends to innovate essentially in the scope of :

- 1- Optimizing the assignment of legal aid to people in need
- 2- Automated tracking and monitoring reducing administrative costs for judicial and law enforcement organizations
- 3- Enabling new applications for judicial software systems

The objectives set for this use care are :

- 1- To remove human interference from assignment processes
- 2- To increase in the process quality from the arrival of the Victim/Suspect till the court verdict

- 3- To increase the quality of schedule management for lawyers
- 4- To increase the quality of legal aid

2.1.5. Narrative of Use Case

In a world that is increasingly digitally connected, with day to day increasing avenues for connecting with and interacting with business colleagues, clients, friends, and family, judicial systems which needs to be fair, transparent, and accountable remains relatively closed and obscured. Judicial systems, particularly systems for ensuring fair representation have lagged behind in integrating smart technologies and thus have fallen behind in terms of the digital transition.

The most important goal of our project is to help ensure that the right to legal aid and legal defense, which is one of the fundamental human rights, is used fairly, equally, and transparently for vulnerable communities, low-income litigants, migrants, refugees, and other disadvantaged groups. Our project also aims to tackle the lack of right to counsel in civil cases, which makes it hard for low-income, disadvantaged and vulnerable groups to get fair representation if they have a dispute with a landlord or employer or have domestic violence or deportation case.

Our project aims to introduce smart learning, analytics, ICT, and assistive smart technologies within the scope of legal and judicial systems for levelling the playing field for vulnerable groups bringing fairness and transparency for the legal aid mechanisms used extensively in European countries including grievance and arbitration.

Our use case will employ smart technologies, supported by OMD framework and tools, to reduce victimization of the vulnerable groups in receiving legal aid with smart appointment systems, particularly cases of representation assignments by public/government bodies; assisting with the selection of the ablest, competent and experienced lawyer/representative that is close in terms of location (in an emergency) to the victim or the alleged offender; think of a lawyer who has a good command of the language of the migrants, or a lawyer who has received appropriate training for persons experiencing sexual abuse or violence. Furthermore, the project plans to tackle air and equitable distribution of public funds, ensuring gender equality and further transparency and accountability for these representation assignments.

2.1.6. Use Case Conditions

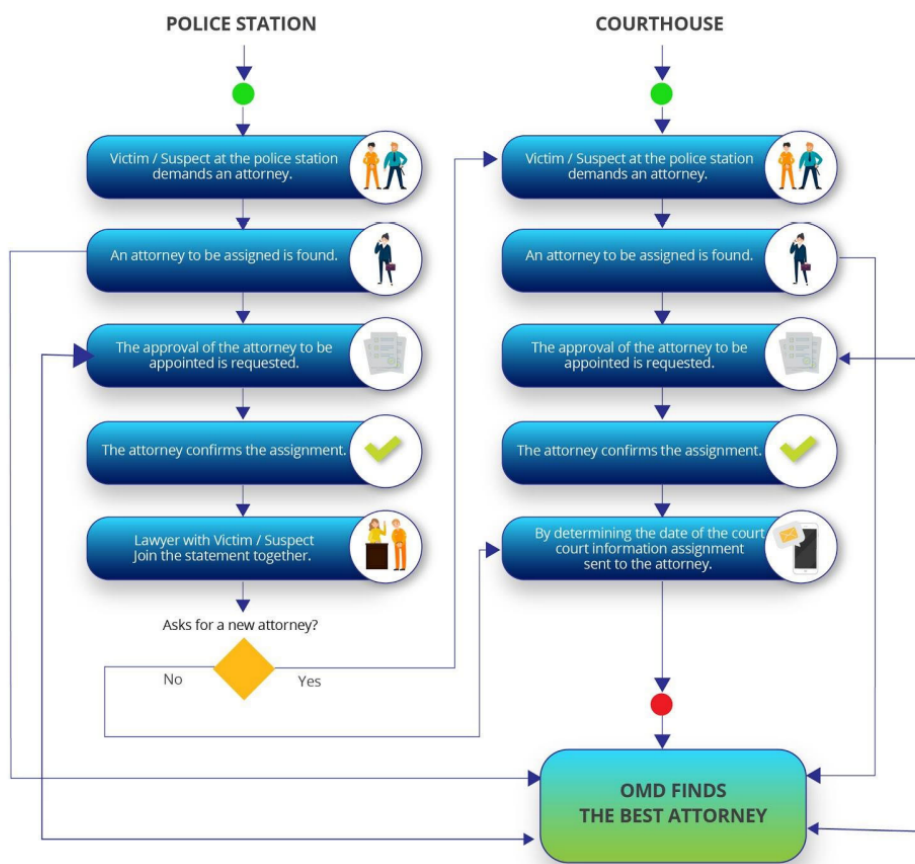
| Use Case Condition 1 - Arrival of the Victim/Suspect | |
|---|---|
| Assumptions | The Victim/Suspect has been brought to the detention area or courthouse |
| Prerequisites | The Victim/Suspect has an valid identification card/document including his/her citizenship number |

| Use Case Condition 1 - Willing of the Victim/Suspect | |
|---|--|
| Assumptions | The Victim/Suspect has been brought to the detention area or courthouse |
| Prerequisites | The Victim/Suspect has a will to ask legal aid from professionals which will be assigned by the government |

2.1.7. Actors

| Name | Actor Type | Actor Description |
|-----------------------|------------|--|
| Victim/Suspect | Human | Victim/Suspect and is detained. Will be going to court for legal processes |
| Lawyers | Human | Is assigned by the OMD EqualityinJustice system to represent the Victim/Suspects in the court |
| Justice Personnel | Human | Government professionals who take role in the detaining process |
| OMD EqualityinJustice | System | Automated smart assignment system which optimize the lawyer assignment for the Victim/Suspects |

2.1.8. Use Case Diagram



2.1.9. Scenarios

The Turkish Code of Criminal Procedure (Law No. 5271) legally requires Bar Associations, under circumstances stipulated in the law and upon the request of the suspect, to commission counsel for purposes of legal aid.

It is observed that many stages in this process of the suspect to be provided with legal aid, starting with the counsel request of competent authorities to the Bar Associations, evaluation of these requests by the Bar Associations and determination of the suitable attorneys, followed by the issuing of warrants; are laden with a magnitude of problems, mostly using an arbitrary ordering system, only taking into account the number of cases (and with some Bars,

the severity) the lawyer has got in hand without taking language, suitability, education and other factors.

Within the framework of OMD, ARD GROUP will work on identification of improvement points by studying the workflows between the stakeholders i.e. law enforcement, judicial institutions, court and public prosecutor offices, Bar Associations and attorneys; and introduce OMD framework and tools supported by NLP, ML and AI to provide a fair assignment and tracking system for legal aid assignment/appointment.

With OMD, an innovative flexible, parameterized appointment/assignment system, particularly aimed at disadvantaged groups and migrants, that could respond to the various needs of Bar Associations will be developed providing a solution to close the “Justice Gap” by intelligently assigning lawyers according to their abilities, specialities and capabilities, minimizing human error in assignments, accelerating the overall appointment speed and remedying the fair distribution problems encountered in Bar Associations.

| Police Station Scenario | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---|--|
| No | Event | Name of Process / Activity | Description of Process / Activity |
| 01 | 01 | Arrival of theVictim/Suspect | Victim/Suspect’s arrive to the police stat for identification |
| 02 | 02 | Valid Identification of the Victim/Suspect | Victim/Suspect’s ID is checked for 1:1 verification from the AFIS (Automated Biometric Fingerprint System) |
| 03 | 02 | Invalid / No Identification of the Victim/Suspect | Victim/Suspect’s ID is checked for 1:N identification from the AFIS (Automated Biometric Fingerprint System) |
| 04 | 03 | Victim/Suspect demands an Attorney | OMD finds the bet attorney |
| 05 | 04 | The approval of attorney | The approval of the attorney is requested |
| 06 | 04 | Attorney Approval | The attorney confirms the assignment |
| 07 | 04 | Attorney Rejection | OMD finds alternative attorney |
| 08 | 05 | Court statement | The attorney and the Victim/Suspect join the statement together |

| Courthouse Scenario | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|---|
| No | Event | Name of Process / Activity | Description of Process / Activity |
| 01 | 01 | Arrival of the Victim/Suspect | Victim/Suspect’s arrive to the courthouse |
| 02 | 02 | Victim/Suspect demands an Attorney | OMD finds the bet attorney |
| 03 | 03 | The approval of attorney | The approval of the attorney is requested |
| 04 | 03 | Attorney Approval | The attorney confirms the assignment |
| 05 | 03 | Attorney Rejection | OMD finds alternative attorney |
| 06 | 04 | Court statement | The attorney and the Victim/Suspect join the statement together |

2.1.10. KPI’s

Increasing the success rate of attorney appointments/assignments supported by a satisfaction survey by a minimum of 10%

Decreasing the overall time of appointment/assignments, attorney confirmation and notifications to stakeholders from hours to minutes.

2.2. BEIA GmbH

Beia's use case is combining environmental IoT and data from integrated logistics. OMD platform will provide a novel and smart logistics involving adaptation to new equipment's settlements and different production volumes and type of goods; investment optimization: lower time and cost with installation; plug&play sensors/AGVs system; human and robot synergy; integration of existing/new software application (ERP); applying human resources optimally based on documented individual experiences.

BEIA already supplies big data and speech processing solutions to various customers (automotive, academia, car insurance, tourism, etc.) and will be able to sell the platform in a basic scenario as a nationwide SaaS service platform to public & private stakeholders in the profiling and analysis call-center business domain. In an extended scenario, the commercialization of the services of the platform will be enlarged in the Balkan/Danube region through BEIA's sales and partner's network. BEIA had several presentations of the solutions advanced within the project objectives, focusing on RPA for tenders.

2.3. Caretronic d.o.o.

2.3.1. The Problem Statement

| Problem 1 | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| The problem of | Ticketing the issue to staff in healthcare organizations |
| The impact of which is | Increase in the time of detention of the issue and delay overall service processes of the healthcare staff |
| A successful solution would | Solution will offer ticketing of all maintenance work (technical failure, cleaning, etc.) right in the room of the patient / resident. |

2.3.2. Scope and Objectives of Use Case

Project let healthcare workers, nurses, logistical, maintenance problem and categorize automatically using AI models. Solution will offer ticketing of all maintenance work (technical failure, cleaning, etc.) right in the room of the patient / resident. The personnel that notice a failure can document it immediately and notified the maintenance, logistical staff instantly. They are then able to respond and fix the issue while documenting the finished task in the room. Active and completed tasks are displayed with the sole purpose of offering a clear overview of completed work and active tasks for the healthcare staff.

2.3.3. Narrative of Use Case

We have data of 350 hospitals and this 112.000 of nurses, which daily report many requirements. Nurses have a problem which person to call to transport the patients from one hospital department to another and also which person to call for maintenance and they

do not always reach the right person also they need to call more times to reach the right person who is able to do that.

Second problem is that nurses need to call the patient's transport to exact rooms where they are sending the patient, then they need to fill out into the existing patient's transport software and also to fill out into the separate nursing documentation software that this patient has been transported to another department.

Third problem in COVID situation is that doctors needs to deal with a great variety of calls from patients' relatives. While patients are in the COVID departments relatives are not allowed to visit them since then the relatives are calling to the hospital to get the information. There are only few doctors for a certain amount of patients that is allowed to give information and has only 30minutes (or some small amount of time) per day time for giving the information to relatives. So, in this case the telephone is all the time ringing in each department and not all relatives receive the information about the progress of the relative patient.

2.3.4.State of the art

Nurses report problems about choosing the right person in the same shift for working with.

Mapping tickets to the correct support team is still assigned manually. If the support teams have a diverse category and distributions, then misaddressing increases response time and patients are not at right time where they should be (for instance in operation room).

Research for addressing tickets to teams automatically is a common endeavor.

2.3.5.Expected Outputs

In order to address this problem, we propose to use Artificial Intelligence (AI) methods.

We will develop AI/NLP models that help to understand health care staff intention. These AI methods include Natural Language Processing (NLP), Machine Learning/Deep Learning, and Optimization algorithms. Developing advanced algorithms of artificial intelligence, combining classical machine-learning and deep learning.

The novel methods used in the development of will be contributed to scientific knowledge in the form of research articles. Developing a highly accurate system will cut down time-to-decision. With such a system in place, the rate of patient recovery will be significantly improved. Using the AI based service will fasten processes considerably.

2.3.6.Success Criteria and KPI'S

Improved success rate on assigning tickets comparing to human operators. Min %10.

A patient experience survey will be conducted. Min 3.5 is expected for each module and 4 for overall score.

2.4. Dogus Technology

Portable devices are brought to end consumer online and offline by many companies and platforms. In case of any problem encountered in products sold through these channels, consumer must follow one of the ways defined for repair processes, taking the product to the place of purchase, or taking the product to the contracted technical service along with contacting call centers (CC). The complexity of the processes mentioned above, the implementation of many different procedures is a challenge for companies in terms of customer satisfaction and personnel costs. In addition, 60% of the records coming to the Call Center are simple problems. Solving these problems through the call center itself creates a huge time and cost loss. Furthermore, customers need answers quickly at any time and without giving information repeatedly. These requirements for better customer experience become costly when enough live agents are employed. Since AI can do most of the customer interaction with auto responses, chatbots are a reliable resource for ticket systems [2, 3].

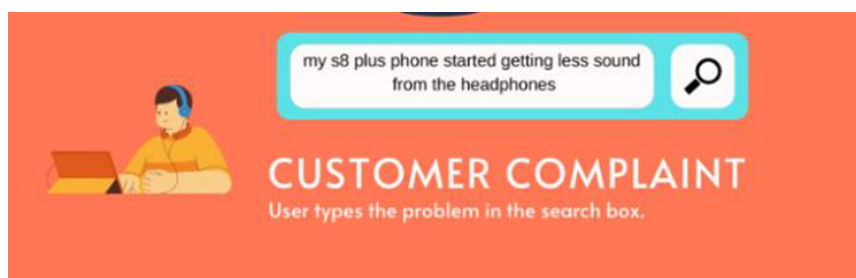
Thanks to the NLP supported smart platform approach, it is aimed to offer an NLP supported search function to customers over web and other platforms via utilizing brand, model, problem, and specific solution steps which are given & designed by the manufacturer. In this way, besides the service, call centers and other channels that customer will receive support, a platform specific to problem needs will be developed through a web platform, where customers can solve problems individually while the content is managed by the manufacturer. With this platform, it is aimed to achieve a personnel efficiency of around 20%. A 25% reduction in the number of customers coming to technical services and dealers is being targeted. In case customers cannot solve their problems, directing them to the right place with the platform will result in increased customer satisfaction.

Furthermore, smart routing functions which will be used during the development are suitable for use in different business domains and platforms. White goods, small household appliances are some examples. In addition, thanks to the parametric management, it also allows training for the personnel.

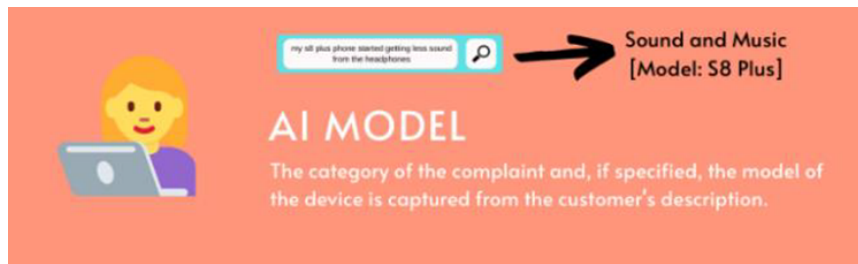
In this use case, as described in detail, an NLP supported ticket system for solving customer problems will be developed.

Consumer Electronics use case's solution will be SaaS using NLP to reduce consecutive and manual selections. Changes on reference data and entities will be updated automatically as shown below:

1. User complaint entry in a relevant form component in textual or voice.



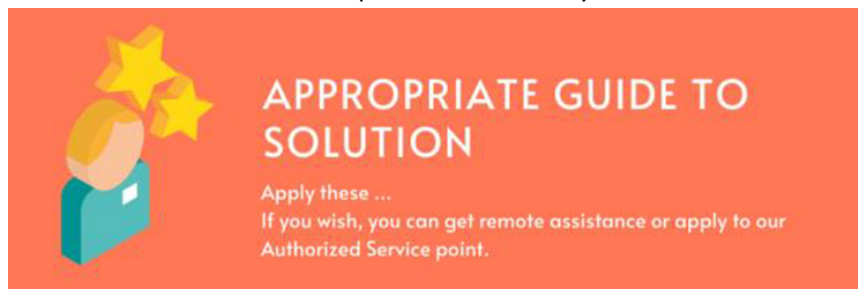
2. Data retrieved from step-1 sent to AI service and valuable data returned to app in a specified format.



3. If no device setting denoted, then model selection form could be represented.



4. Relevant detailed case of the problem verified by user.



5. User is guided with an appropriate solution step by step.

Our use cases main flow is represented by high level components of the framework in Figure 1. As shown in the figure, OMD framework will support the use case by its components both in management of the knowledge base and AI training phases. For a new installation for any company in the domain, a web application implemented in OMD will be provided for initialization of the application. In the application an administrator user role will configure the framework and if needed, upload new data and re-train models using the web application (Step 1). On the company's customer support application user interface, customers can comment through a search box (Step 2). AI processing components of the framework will allow model tests for the user comment and try to find an appropriate answer. Also, additional comments can be asked to customer to identify the problem. And in the process of writing comment, suggestions can be provided for user by dialogue management software to help user expressions (Step 3). Then a solution proposal will be responded back to client (Step 5). If customer is not satisfied with the solution, then a ticket will be submitted to company's ticket software through available integration components of the framework (Step 6). User feedback about willing to create a ticket or satisfied with the solution provided is maintained on the company's customer support application.

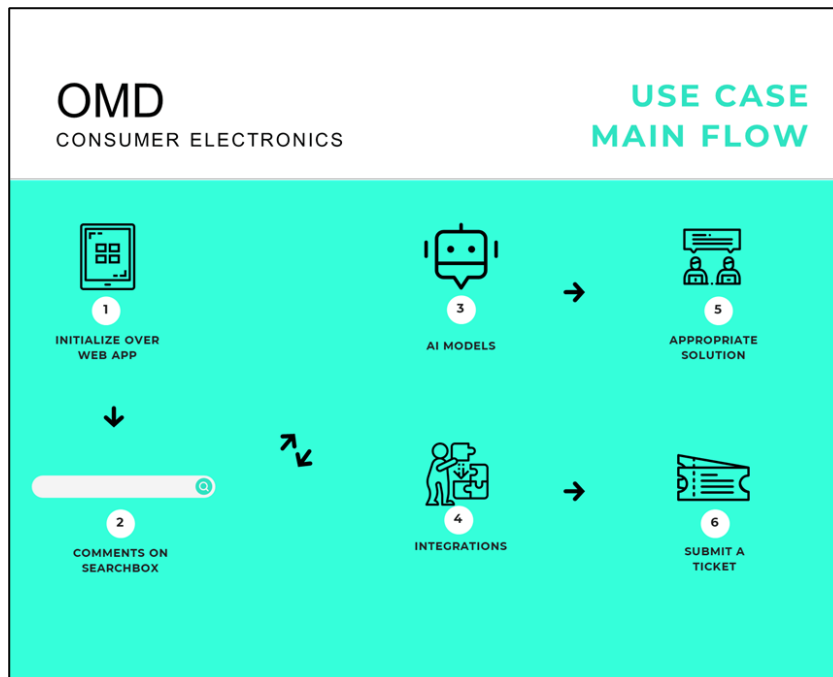


Figure 1: OMD Consumer Electronics Use Case Main Flow

2.5. Experteam

2.5.1 The Problem Statement

In Information Technology (IT) support, customers' problems and change requests are commonly managed in the form of tickets. These tickets may be completely in textual format such as e-mails or they may consist of a hybrid of textual descriptions, error messages and structured information that are chosen from a web form. There are early studies that investigate the feasibility of deep learning based text classifiers for automatic categorization in which the number of categories can easily expand to over a few thousand. Category assignment usually requires expert knowledge and it is stated that categories for nearly 40% of the tickets need to be modified after initial assignment. In CNN based deep learning algorithms were applied for category classification from the ticket titles and showed that deep learning methods outperformed traditional machine learning and rule based approaches. In a follow up study authors focus on processing short and noisy text from users in software support tickets and develop a deep learning model for software product name extraction and linking. Of course labeled data and feature engineering also plays an important role in the performance of the DL models. Results show the applicability of DL algorithms in this domain, with an impressive business impact: IBM research AI has a total saving of

51629.04 hrs/annum and their system has served more than 700,000 tickets in production across the deployed accounts by the publication date.

| Problem 1 | |
|----------------------------|--|
| The Problem of | ensuring that the ticket, which must be completed within a certain time, is assigned to the right person |
| Affects | personnel planning, do not exceed the SLA period |
| The impact of which is | waste of time for customers and staff |
| A succesful solution would | Developing a machine learning based time to completion estimation system for effort and costs |

| Problem 2 | |
|----------------------------|---|
| The Problem of | Completing the ticket as soon as possible without exceeding the SLA terms |
| Affects | cost control and increasing the level of customer satisfaction |
| The impact of which is | Increasing the cost of the company |
| A succesful solution would | Developing a machine learning based time to completion estimation system for effort and costs |

2.5.2. End-users and Stakeholders Description

| Name | Represents | Role |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| Consumer | End Users | provides data |
| Product Company | Stake holder | development and evaluation of results |

2.5.3 Expected benefits to End Users and innovation expectations

| End User Benefit | Supporting Features |
|------------------|--|
| Consumer | The work is completed by the right person in a short time and there are no disruptions in the existing system. |
| Product Company | Minimization of costs due to completion time, personnel planning and customer satisfaction |

2.5.4. Scope and Objectives of Use Case

The Use Case aims to implement and validate the performance of an AI-based technology that will ensure that the problem to be solved for the customers is done by the right person in a short time.

So the scope of use case includes:

1 – Taking the necessary data from an already existing business tracking system and processing it with Machine Learning techniques

2 – Integrating the results obtained after technical studies into the business tracking system

The goals set for this Use Case are:

1 - Reducing the time the customer waits for the problem to be resolved

2 - Provide time management and planning for staff

3 - Reducing the cost for the company

4 - Increase customer satisfaction

2.5.5. Narrative of Use Case

In the face of recent technology and the speed of the internet, businesses tend to utilize remote support at ever increasing rates. In this model, businesses do purchase the support they need in the management of such operations as infrastructure, IT, financial accounting, logistics, human resources, etc. remotely. To meet this demand, the supply of remote support is also increasing in the number of businesses, where experts of various areas do the support service. There is, however, a need towards the fast processing of each call on the demand side, and the effective management of resources on the supply side of the businesses. Our project aims to develop a software tool that helps the service provider to use their resources effectively, to provide agile solutions, to conserve their knowledge base, to allocate each call unmistakably to the corresponding expert, as well as in the solution of the particular problem at hand. This will shorten the time and reduce the cost of operations, avoiding repetitions. Increasing the overall efficiency, our project increases customer happiness.

To develop Tickota we analyze technologies that will shape the final system. AI with NLP and classification algorithms are used for the classification of tickets. Past support requests that are solved correctly are used to feed them. We hereby solve problems through examples in the past, without interrupting the work while the need for an allocating person disappears, minimizing time and resource use, as well as human errors. The final system serves as an end to end management tool and integrates as many companies as possible. Therefore, it should incorporate data from other systems, working with any ERP or internal software of companies, and be scalable with the benefits in time, cost, efficiency or accuracy thanks to the innovations of this project. This system then provides an efficient solution to the customer from the moment of the call onwards. Once the customer makes the call, this generated ticket will be analyzed, differentiating structured and unstructured data. Structured data are; company information, agreement details, time of ticket. Unstructured data are textual descriptions. Finally, a detailed feature vector will be created for each expert based on their competencies and previous experience. With these, each expert's eligibility, cost and time to resolve the ticket will be dynamically and optimally estimated.

In short, by using AI and optimization we generate the functions of ticket categorization and prioritization. We also tackle agent assignment and scheduling tasks. Furthermore, we predict their workload and optimize costs.

In our use-case;

- The billets/tickets opened in accordance with the support demand get analyzed using NLP, and categorized with classification algorithms to be automatically assigned to the right personnel.
- Data generated in the system on those support demands constitute the training set of machine learning models. In case the solution to an incoming call already exists in the system, this solution is automatically matched with the incoming ticket.

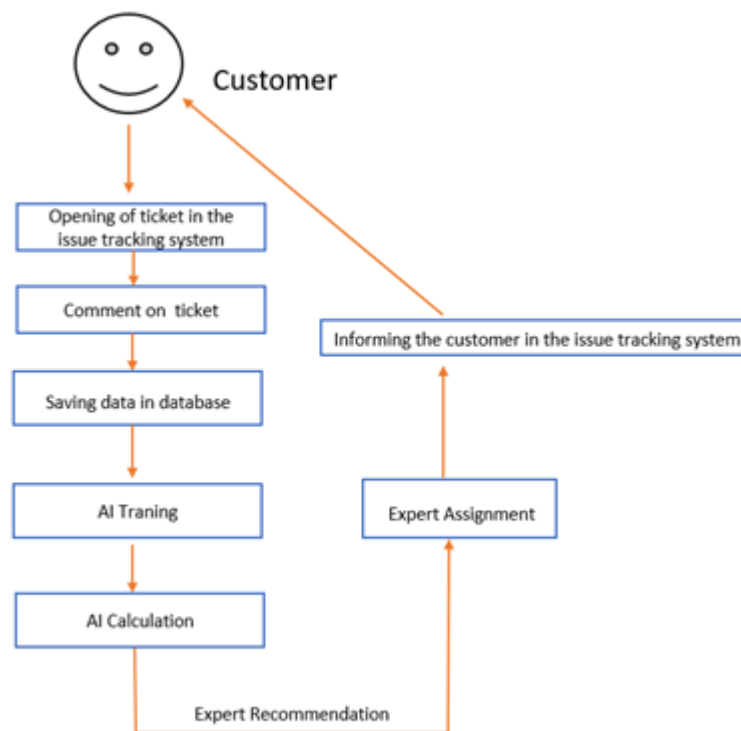
2.5.6. Use Case Conditions

| Use Case Condition | |
|--------------------|---|
| Assumptions | Issue tracking system is already in use by the company. |
| Prerequisites | The results of the processed data taken from the databases should be integrated into the tracking system. |

2.5.7 Actors

| Name | Actor Type | Actor Description |
|-----------------------|------------|---|
| Customer | Human | End users define the ticket to the issue tracking system for their problems in the system. |
| Expert | Human | staff providing software support for the pop-up ticket |
| AI Agent | System | Making sense of the data received from end users, finding the right person and integrating with the tracking system |
| Issue Tracking System | System | Platform already in use by the company. |

2.5.8. Use Case Diagram



2.5.9. Scenarios

The Issue Tracking System, which provides communication with customers, is used by the company. Successful service request management relies on five steps when end users access a service desk with requests:

- 1-)The system creates a ticket and pushes it to a central repository
- 2-)The category/subject for this ticket is determined (automatically or by an administrator)
- 3-)The ticket is prioritized and routed to the correct agent
- 4-)The ticket has been resolved
- 5-)Customer informed

In the second and third step here, AI/ML will be used to forward the ticket to the correct preference. After the ticket is opened, it is planned to reach the goal by using the data inserted into the databases.

In the AI/ML step, the data pipeline will run, and then the training will start with the right algorithms. Optimization will be achieved while correct results are seen with calculations after the training. The process will be integrated into the tracking system so that the request will be assigned to the right person. The customer will be informed through the system where you have completed the expert work for the request and the job will be completed.

Thus, by reaching the target, customer satisfaction would be increased, and it would contribute to personnel planning and company cost.

2.5.10. KPI's

SLA coherency currently at around 91.5 % shall be increased to 95 % helping with time management. Total cost is reduced by 20%

2.6. Frontendart Software

2.6.1. The Problem Statement

During the maintenance phase of a software, several development tasks may arise from bug reports and feature requests. These tasks should be done quickly and effectively in order to close the reported issues as soon as possible. The assignment of the task (telling who will carry out the correction/modification) has a large impact on the time and cost required to perform it. There are many factors that need to be taken into account, usually too many for a human to make an optimal choice in all situations. Characteristics of the software, knowledge on the particular parts of the software and on the technology, general development skills and abilities, and the actual load of the developer may also affect the time and cost of the correction.

| Problem 1 | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| The problem of | Assigning a maintenance task to a developer not familiar with the given module/system/technology |
| Affects | The system quality, maintenance time period |
| The impact of which is | Increased fix/development time, lower quality software |
| A successful solution would | Assign a developer who has enough knowledge in the given system/module/technology to perform the maintenance task properly and in time. |

| Problem 2 | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| The problem of | Assigning a complex maintenance task to a developer with weaker skills/abilities |
| Affects | The system quality, maintenance time period |
| The impact of which is | Maintenance tasks are delayed, the quality of the software is lower than expected |
| A successful solution would | Take into account the developers' abilities during task assignment.. |

| Problem 3 | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| The problem of | Assigning too much maintenance task to a single developer |
| Affects | The maintenance time period |
| The impact of which is | Maintenance tasks are delayed, “wall time” of fixes and enhancements gets long while some other developers has free capacity |
| A successful solution would | Check the developers’ load when assigning the tasks in order to reduce the overall expected time period of performing the current maintenance tasks. |

2.6.2. End-users and Stakeholders Description

| Name | Represents | Role |
|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Project Manager | End Users | Provides data and evaluate pilot studies |
| Quality Manager | End Users | Evaluate pilot studies |
| Developer | Stakeholder | Evaluate pilot studies |

2.6.3. Expected benefits to End Users and innovation expectations

| End User Benefit | Supporting Features |
|-------------------------|---|
| Project Manager | Better utilization of maintenance task resources, cost reduction, shorter time-to-correct intervals |
| Quality Manager | Increased quality of fixes and enhancements, less regression bugs |
| Developer | Balanced load, less tasks outside of/far from personal abilities/skills |

2.6.4. Scope and Objectives of Use Case

The Use Case aims to develop and validate an AI-based technology that optimizes maintenance task assignment in the maintenance phase of software development. Thus, the scope of the use case includes:

- 1- Support of a software development project in maintenance phase at a company that has historical data on the current development project, or similar development projects.
- 2- Suggestions on maintenance task assignment of a software.
- 3- Evaluation of maintenance task assignment suggestions.

The objectives set for this Use Case are:

- 1- To reduce the average time from the reporting to the close of a bug or feature request.
- 2- To balance the load of the available developers.
- 3- To assign tasks to a developer that best matches their skills/abilities/knowledge.
- 4- To reduce the overall cost of regression bugs.

2.6.5. Narrative of Use Case

There are many ways to detect software maintenance related flaws in the software. They need to be corrected; but who is the best for carrying it out? Answering this question seems to be easy at first: the detected flaws usually point to a particular place in the code, so a developer can be assigned (e.g. the one who last modified that part, probably causing the issue in the

first place). However, there are many factors that could undermine this simple approach. First, assigning too many maintenance related tasks to a developer can overload her, while others may run out of tasks. Next, the knowledge of the developers about the particular code part should also be taken into account: the developer who might have changed the code is usually more familiar with it than the one who committed the latest changes. The overall performance of the developers may also count. For example, the one whose codes are usually more error prone might not be the best choice for correcting a bug. Besides these, there might be other considerations when the improvements are assigned to developers. One might optimize, for example, for spending the least amount of time. In other cases, expense might matter more. In some other cases one might be interested in widening peoples competences when it comes to the code.

FrontEndART's source code quality management system called QualityGate (<https://www.quality-gate.com>) is able to monitor the evolution of the software and to detect maintenance flaws in it. This platform already has a built-in recommendation engine, called code advisor, that is able to list code fragments and recommend correction tasks with a suggestion for the best candidate to fix the issue. However, feedback on the recommendation system has shown that the assignment is far from optimal. Assigning bugs to developers in an optimal way is a hard task where many attributes of the code, the flaw, the developers, and the project or the organization have to be considered. Furthermore, not all of these attributes can be quantified. Also figuring out the criteria of an optimal assignment can be challenging as well. This renders the classical optimization methods almost useless.

The main goal of the use case is to develop a solution for assigning source code maintenance tasks to developers in a way that is optimal from the perspective of a particular set of criteria.

The solution would be based on integrating the project's outcomes into the QualityGate source code quality management system. It would enable machine learning algorithms and artificial intelligence methods to learn how to optimally assign different maintenance tasks to individual developers. Not that it would just learn how to do it, but it will also continuously improve itself by getting and incorporating feedback from the developers. QualityGate would be integrated to ticketing systems as well, so that the use of these features could be channeled into the normal development processes. To be able to improve, QualityGate needs to be able to channel the feedback coming from the ticketing system into the machine learning algorithm. For example, if the assignee or other parameters of a ticket changes the system will learn from it, and make better suggestions the next time.

2.6.6. Use Case Conditions

| Use Case Condition 1 - Data is available | |
|--|--|
| Assumptions | The software project is in maintenance phase, bug reports and feature requests are filed against the software. |
| Prerequisites | There is historical data on the project activities, software quality, developers, and other similar projects. |

2.6.7. Actors

| Name | Actor Type | Actor Description |
|------|------------|-------------------|
|------|------------|-------------------|

| | | |
|-------------|--------|---|
| Team lead | Human | Personnel who is responsible for task assignment in a project. |
| QualityGate | System | A quality management platform with integrated/connected ticketing system and the ability to automatically assign (suggest) maintenance tickets to developers. |

2.6.8. Scenarios

A company uses QualityGate to monitor the quality of its developed software. The software is actively maintained, bug reports and feature requests are continuously filed against the software in a ticketing system. When a new ticket arrives, it is investigated and categorized, technical attributes are filled. Then, a new maintenance task is created. The management wishes to optimize maintenance task assignment. The corresponding module of QualityGate (trained on past data), takes into account the characteristics of the software modules related to the task, the currently available developers, their past activities, current load, and proposes an optimal assignee for the maintenance tasks.

2.6.9. KPI's

The overall maintenance costs (regarding the tasks handled by this method) will be reduced to 80% or less of the original level.

The average “wall time” period of maintenance tasks (regarding those handled by this method) from reporting to closing will be reduced to 80% or less of the original length.

2.7. FTP PORTO

2.7.1 The Problem Statement

Finding the right product online and being able to customize it, has always been a relevant and distinct factor for clients. Whether on the functional side or aesthetics, customers have particular needs and when those options are available, they can be the difference between buying the product or not. However, the quantity of available products and the ramification of variations for each one, can turn the flexibility of choices into a complex and time-consuming search. Finding the right product with a starting point preset based on a simplified user search, can help mitigate the disadvantages of a vast configuration.

| Problem 1 | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| The problem of | Consumer finding the right product in an immense list of possible items on e-commerce shop |
| Affects | Consumer time and user experience |
| The impact of which is | Not finding the right product, quits the search and don't buy anything |
| A successful solution would | Show the most suitable results to the consumer supported by a simplified interaction |

| Problem 2 | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| The problem of | Large list of configurable properties that consumer can use to personalize the product online |
| Affects | Consumer time |
| The impact of which is | Quits the configuration and don't buy anything |
| A successful solution would | Present an already configured product as a starting point, based on the consumer preferences and previous orders |

2.7.2. End-users and Stakeholders Description

| Name | Represents | Role |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| Consumer | End Users | Provides data and tests interaction |
| Product Company | Stakeholder | Evaluate results |

2.7.3. Expected benefits to End Users and innovation expectations

| End User Benefit | Supporting Features |
|------------------|--|
| Consumer | More accessible and flexible way of choose suitable products without wasting too much time |
| Product Company | More product sales from consumers that don't quit during product search |

2.7.4. Scope and Objectives of Use Case

The Use Case aims to implement and verify the performance of an AI-based technology that facilitates the process of product search for consumers online. Thus, the scope of the use case includes:

- 1 – Addition of new functionalities on an e-commerce platform already developed by a shoe manufacturer company.
- 2 – Presentation of suitable products based on accessible user interaction.

3 – Aid product configuration based on user preferences and historic.

The objectives set for this Use Case are:

- 1 - Reduce the average time the consumer takes to find the products he is interested in.
- 2 - Reduce the average time to personalize products.
- 3 - Give a better user experience based on accessibility.
- 4 - Increase product sales.

2.7.5. Narrative of Use Case

E-commerce has seen an exponential demand due to a vast number of reasons, including accessibility factors and pandemic restrictions. Although filtering tools are often to narrow product searching, the current systems do not offer an optimized way of presenting results based on the user commands or preferences. Additionally, for several types of products, the outcome of their personalization can be very dependent on the visual result. Therefore, the visual simulation of the final product is also vital for the consumer perspective of what he will get. The advancements and accessibility of real-time technologies can also be used in this context, in order to recreate the end result of a product not yet assembled or manufactured.

Additionally, the human interaction with these platforms lacks some simplified and agile workflow, due the complex nature of the options available in these types of interfaces. Online shops have also been a great example of diverse products and with the help of AI integration this process can be even more straightforward. The visualization techniques could be diverse, like using overlapping images (transparent PNGs) or using 3D models (pre-rendered or real-time), but the research of the ideal product is often based merely by observing a list of items and experimenting possible variations.

Recent developments in Artificial Intelligence fields like Natural Language Processing and Deep Learning have evolved dramatically in the last decade, aiding device users in different types of scenarios. One of them is in the Human-Machine interaction context, where the complex processes can be simplified, and output data could become more relevant and impactful for the user. On the other hand, Combining the strength of AI to help consumers get what they need on online stores, will reinforce this demand and boost company sales.

In this use case, it will be used in the footwear industry scenario with customizable shoes that are available in an e-commerce platform. The business model can be aimed for retailers like shoe stores (B2B) or for regular end consumers (B2C). In this case, it's possible to segment the process in the following parts:

- An AI agent is available on the platform that can react to text and voice commands. This received input data can then be used to display a list of possible products related to consumer requests.

- Recommendations and pre-configured variable products that the user can adjust further are presented on the e-commerce platform.
- Real-time 3D models and materials that represent the configured product are displayed, being possible to edit and view it from any angle.

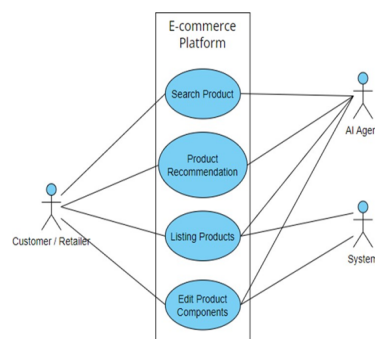
2.7.6. Use Case Conditions

| Use Case Condition – E-commerce Platform Access | |
|---|---|
| Assumptions | The e-commerce platform is already developed and in use by the company. |
| Prerequisites | The company grants access to their platform API for integration. |

2.7.7. Actors

| Name | Actor Type | Actor Description |
|-------------------|------------|---|
| Customer/Retailer | Human | The end user that searches for products and make orders online. |
| AI Agent | System | Integrated artificial intelligence agent that establishes the interface between the customer/retailer and the e-commerce online shop. |
| E-commerce System | System | Online shop platform already in use by the company. |

2.7.8. Use Case Diagram



2.7.9. Scenarios

The main project goals are focused on the optimization of variable product listing in an e-commerce scenario and to make the interaction of all the processes simpler and intuitive. The customer/retailer can use text or voice commands to search for shoes that meet some criteria and the AI agent returns a list of products, including recommendations and pre-configured results. The system stores and manages all information, updating product data and model visualization in real-time.

The major challenge in this use case scenario is the integration of human-machine interaction on a footwear e-commerce platform that has an immense number of products and inherent variations. To give an adequate response to the user requests and keep interacting with him until the final result is conceived, a lot of effort is necessary in the correct interpretation of data. Also, a system that displays recommended starting points on the product and respective component combinations, needs to collect and adapt to the consumer preferences, and the source of this information might not be so linear to work with. Therefore, the use of Artificial Intelligence is very important in this context, in order to prevent the search of the ideal shoe be a cumbersome and overwhelming task. And in order to meet the client expectation, the virtual representation of the final configured product should be displayed and edited in real-time.

2.7.10. KPI's

Reduce the end user time on the platform during the selection and customization phases by 35%.

Increase the user satisfaction with the platform by 50%.

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2.8. Strategy Big Data

2.8.1. The Problem Statement

One of the biggest challenges in Telemarketing is leveraging the success of cold calls. The key to an effective and successful call depends largely on the caller's ability to quickly establish rapport with the customer, to initiate relevant conversations that meet their needs. The salesperson continues to play a vital role in the Telemarketing sales process. The customer's socioeconomic affinity, cultural affinity and mood are factors that influence the success rate of the sale. Currently, these factors cannot be applied to cold calling as very limited customer profile information is available. At OMD, new techniques will be implemented, based on the analysis of external sources to better identify the mood, culture and socio-economic profile of a new customer - a priori - in order to better match the customer with the most suitable agent and product campaign. SBD will thus generate an extraordinarily innovative new model to increase the level of affinity (commonly referred to as rapport in the industry), a priori, between agents and potential customers.

There is solid research that concludes that the relationship established between the salesperson and the customer has positive effects on trust, loyalty, likelihood of purchase, as well as customer disclosure. There are cultural and economic factors, as well as sociolinguistic behaviors that also affect the management of this relationship. In this regard, some key challenges are identified to improve the success rate in cold calling based on empathy and the relationship established between agent and customer.

2.8.2. End-users and Stakeholders Description

| Name | Role |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Telemarketing Audit Supervisor | Ensure quality standards in call auditing |
| Telemarketing Audit Manager | Manage teams of supervisors |
| Sales Service Manager | Coordinate sales teams |
| Sales agent | Sell products to customers |
| Customer | Buy services |
| End customer | Offer services |

2.8.3. Expected benefits to End Users and innovation expectations

| End User Benefit | Supporting Features |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Telemarketing Audit Supervisor | Significant increase in audit capacity and effectiveness, without requiring resources |
| Telemarketing Audit Manager | Better results with fewer resources |
| Sales Service Manager | Higher sales ratio and shorter operation times |

2.8.4. Scope and Objectives of Use Case

SBD is focused in omnichannel contact centre services. SBD aims to provide a use case and will be focused in generating tools and components for enhanced association of agents with potential customers. These tools will take into account not only NLP-based techniques to better profile agents, but also external, non-structured data sources to generate profiles of customers beforehand, based on socio-economical-cultural features that may impact the affinity of a customer with an agent and product/service. We are planning to create an empathy data base.

First, it is required to design a system that can provide a profile of an agent with respect to the empathy and potential affinity it may have with potential customers. The challenge is to define appropriate measures and associated tools for a systematic evaluation.

Secondly, it is required to predict the degree of affinity and the cultural/economic/social profile of a new customer in a cold call. Cold calling is mainly based on basic and deficient demographic and geographic databases. However, there are new approaches that can provide improved information on mood and cultural / economic / social profile for a given geographic or demographic target.

Finally, there is a need to design new models that can provide the best customer-agent-product matching. That is, taking into account not only the affinity / potential customer-agent relationship, but also which products are most likely to be of interest to a potential customer. For this, other models and tools will be taken into account.

2.8.5. Narrative of Use Case

Case 1. Designing a potential affinity-based agent profiling system

The objective is to design and implement a set of tools to catalog agents by cultural and economic factors, as well as sociolinguistic behaviors.

To this end, SBD will carry out research and development of a set of models, components and techniques to analyze the emotional footprint of agents, based on historical data,

unsupervised learning techniques (Clustering), speech analysis and NLP / NLG / NLU (Natural Language Processing/Generation/Understanding) algorithms.

Case 2. Designing a system for predicting the socio-economic and cultural profile of a potential customer.

The objective is to design and implement a set of components to catalog new customers, increasing the success rate of "cold door" calls.

To this end, SBD will carry out research and development of a set of models, components and techniques (focused on NLP/NLG/LNU, Deep Learning and Machine Learning) to generate a profile with cultural, economic and sociolinguistic factors (a priori) of new customers. This objective is focused on developing different techniques that allow the enrichment of the available databases (with basic demographic and geographic data of potential customers) with the systematic analysis of external sources. Additionally, the customer profile will be refined from speech analysis.

Case 3. Design a new customer-product-agent matching model based on potential affinity.

To this end, SBD will conduct research and development work on a set of components and services with the goal of creating the optimal association: which agent should be assigned to sell a specific product to a specific customer. To do this, in addition to the components associated with the above objectives, a system will be generated to identify which product makes a successful sale more likely.

2.8.6. Use Case Conditions

| Use Case Condition 1 | |
|----------------------|---|
| Assumptions | Designing a potential affinity-based agent profiling system |
| Prerequisites | historical data, unsupervised learning techniques (Clustering), speech analysis and NLP / NLG / NLU (Natural Language Processing/Generation/Understanding) algorithms |

| Use Case Condition 2 | |
|----------------------|--|
| Assumptions | Designing a system for predicting the socio-economic and cultural profile of a potential customer. |
| Prerequisites | models, components and techniques (focused on NLP/NLG/LNU, Deep Learning and Machine Learning) |

| Use Case Condition 3 | |
|----------------------|--|
| Assumptions | Design a new customer-product-agent matching model based on potential affinity |
| Prerequisites | creating the optimal association: which agent should be assigned to sell a specific product to a specific customer |

2.8.7. Actors

| Name | Actor Description |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Team lead | Development Manager |
| Developer s | Specialized developers |

2.8.8. Scenarios

OMD was born with the objective of creating a powerful software tool that will help providers in different fields to use their resources efficiently. OMD is a product that will help companies to assign the most suitable agent for a specific service demand efficiently and remotely.

OMD will analyze different approaches to create efficient workflows for dynamic priority management in customer service teams. Profiling customers and agents based on mood, cultural and socio-economic dimensions based on data analysis will help to process new customer dimensions, designing a methodology that captures rapport potential and emotional state, increasing the quality of the customer experience.

OMD will carry out research and development work on key topics such as category classification, emotion classification, semantic capabilities to easily extract information from unstructured data, topic detection, demand and service level classification, intent classification, entity recognition and linking, request summarization and standardization, agent classification, solution classification as well as dynamic prediction of request "completion time" using state-of-the-art Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning and Deep Learning models. The OMD framework produced in this project will quickly help many sectors to effectively use AI Models, which will contribute to many sectors using it effectively for the improvement of their services.

2.8.9. KPI's

As a result of the research and development tasks, SBD will generate:

§ A set of models, components and techniques to analyze the emotional footprint of agents, based on historical data, unsupervised learning techniques (Clustering), speech analysis and NLP / NLG / NLU (Natural Language Processing/Generation/Understanding) algorithms.

§ A set of models, components and techniques to define the emotional footprint of new customers, based on socio-economic characteristics available in advance (i.e. income levels, cultural background ...) based on the analysis of external sources.

§ A set of components and services with the objective of creating the optimal partnership: Which agent should be assigned to sell a specific product to a specific customer.