

A Mobile Platform for TICO Ride Sharing



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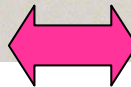


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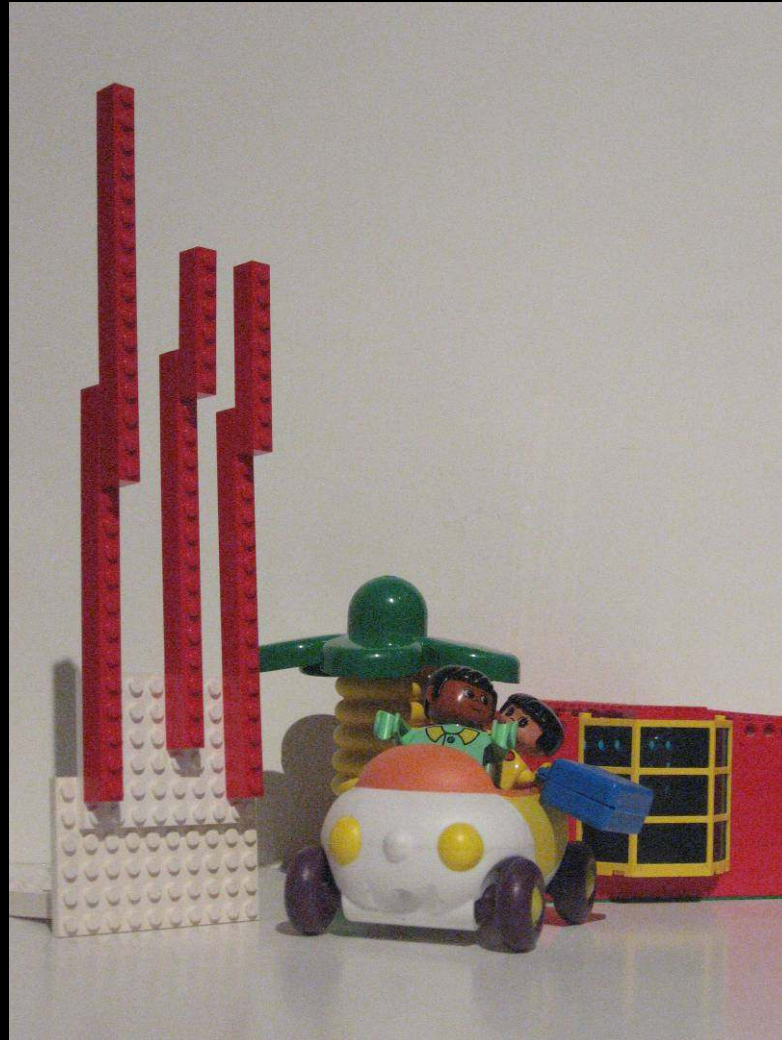
**Ride Sharing
Identification**
Jose



**Ride Sharing
Identification**
Pedro



Jose and Pedro drive past one of the system's towers



They arrive at the plant for work. Jose is a top worker.



Jose has to leave work early to pick up his son.



Jose arrives with Maria at the school.



Elevator Pitch

- Jose rides to work everyday with his friend Pedro. The two met through the Costa Rica Ride Share system. Before the Ride Share system Jose lived too far away from the plant to be able to work there. Now he rides to work most days with Pedro.
- Jose is one of the top workers at the plant. Before the system his boss always had trouble finding the best employees.
- Today he needs to leave early to go to pick up his son. For only a few cents a mile, Jose can get wherever he needs to go.
- The system enables him to text message in his required route and finds him a ride quickly.

System Details

- Jose sets up his account online at work. He funds his account for the week and schedules his rides. Monday to Friday at 9 AM he needs a ride to work.
- The system sends ID information to his phone.
- When Pedro picks him up he authenticates using his Bluetooth phone. This way the systems knows to charge his account for the ride.
- Jose needs to leave work early. He texts in “cancel next ride” to cancel his existing ride home. He then texts “find ride from work to 10 memorial drive at 3 PM”
- He leaves the building and goes down to the Ride Share station. He checks in at the station using his card. If there multiple riders his order is determined by when he gets to the ride share station.
- When an available car comes into the area the system broadcasts a message. Jose then goes to the station to meet the ride.

RideSharing Tools

- RideBook
 - A web-based driver-rider matching system
 - Reservation function
 - Event Notification function
 - An infrastructure way (Internet)
- RideFinder
 - Standalone application on mobile devices to find drivers or riders in local area.
 - Communication functions (voice, text, personal broadcasting)
 - Event Navigator function (GPS + WiFi)
 - Emergency Ride
 - A hybrid way (infra + ad-hoc/mesh)

RideBook: Matching & Reservation



Who's my best driver/rider?

Rider

Ride Sharing
Identification
Jose



1st Driver

Ride Sharing
Identification
Pedro



2nd Driver

Ride Sharing
Identification
Maria



1st trip Time: 9 am – 11 am
Destination: San Jose city hall
Cost: \$5


2nd trip Time: 3 pm – 5 pm
Destination: kindergarten
Cost: \$7

RideBook: Matching & Reservation



Choose your best driver/rider

Rider


Ride Sharing Identification
Jose 

Time: 8:00 am

Pick-up: Here Enter Pick-up Location...

Destination: Enter Destination...
[Click for map](#)


Event: Enter your events

Who: My Network 


RideBook: Event Notification

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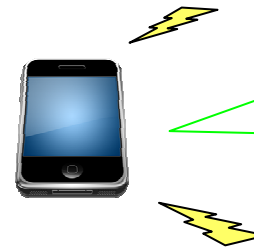
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Your rider is
Pedro and Maria.
Please refer to
his info on
RideBook

RideFinder

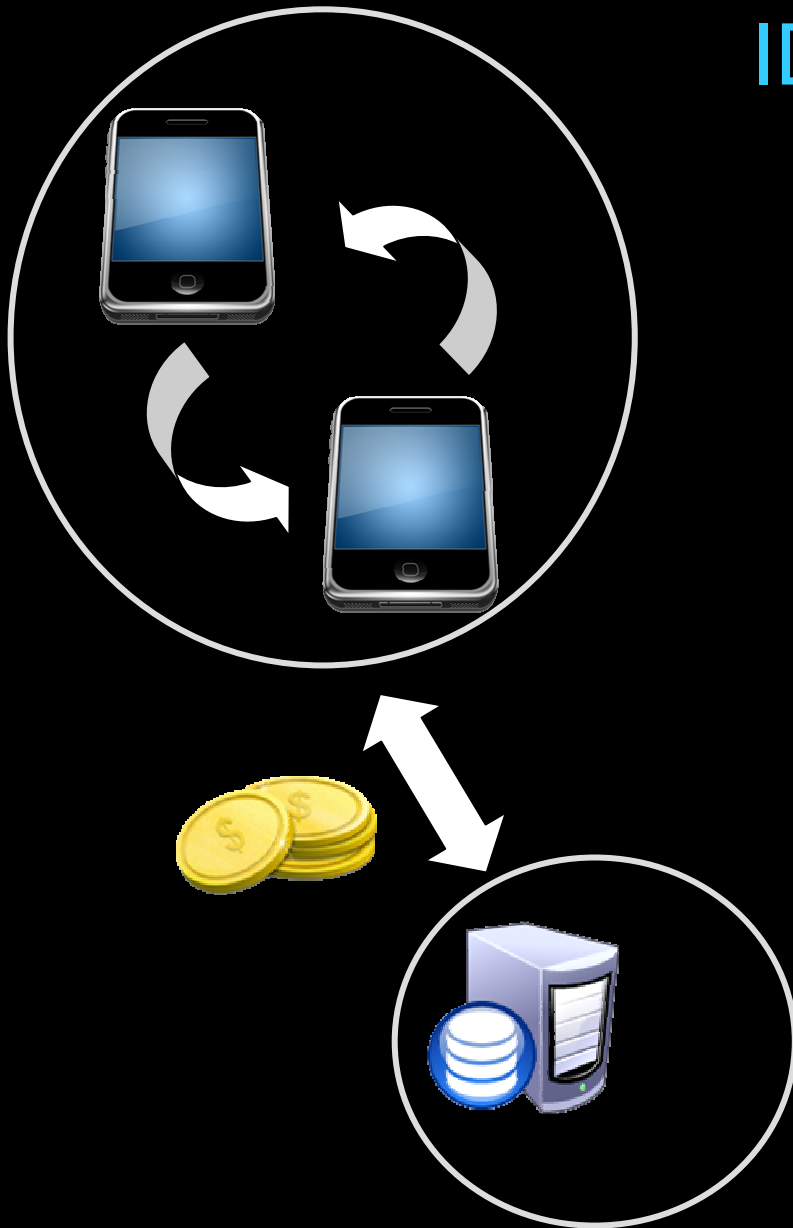


RideFinder

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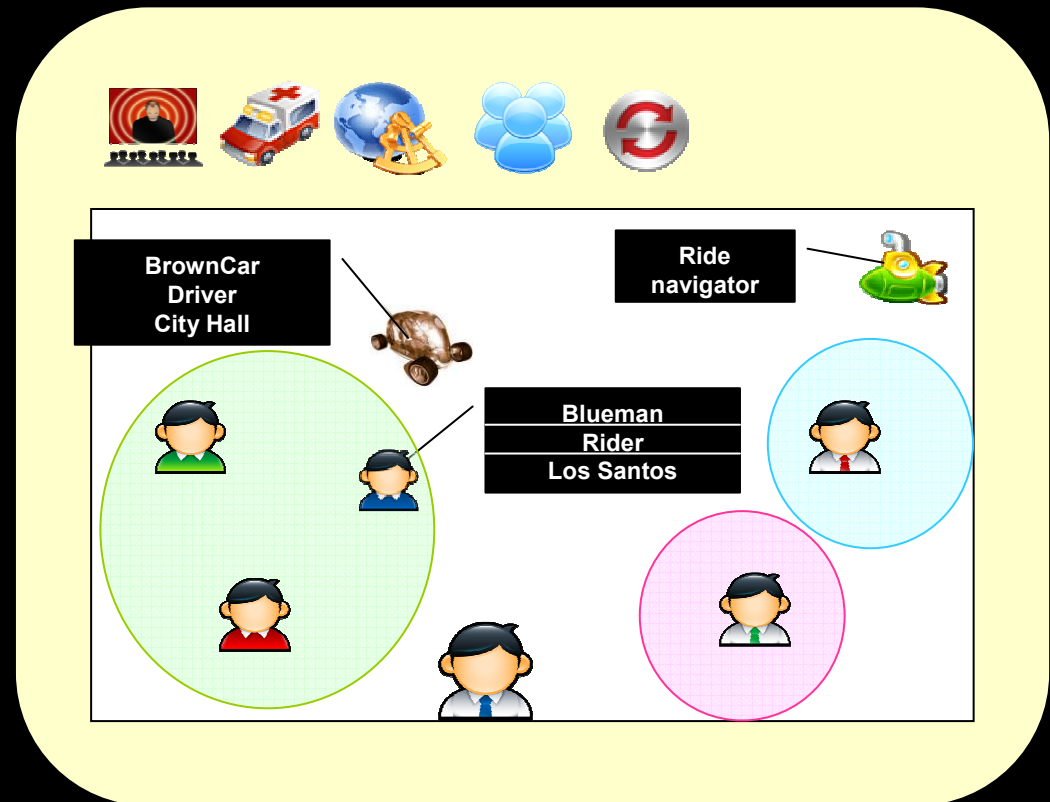
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RideFinder: ID Transaction & Accounting



The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for a ride-sharing request. At the top, there is a navigation bar with several icons: a person, an ambulance, a globe with a building, a group of people, and a refresh symbol. The main content area is titled "Request for Ride Sharing" and includes a notification: "A trusted rider has requested a pick-up at: Calle San Tomás 42, San José at 17h00". Below the text is a map showing a street layout with a green arrow indicating the pick-up location. To the right of the map is a "Ride Sharing Identification" box containing a small profile picture of a person named "Jose". At the bottom of the screen, there are two buttons: "Accept" and "Ignore".

RideFinder: Finding Users at Station



RideFinder: Ad-hoc negotiation at Station



Destination: City Hall

**Blueman
Driver
City Hall**

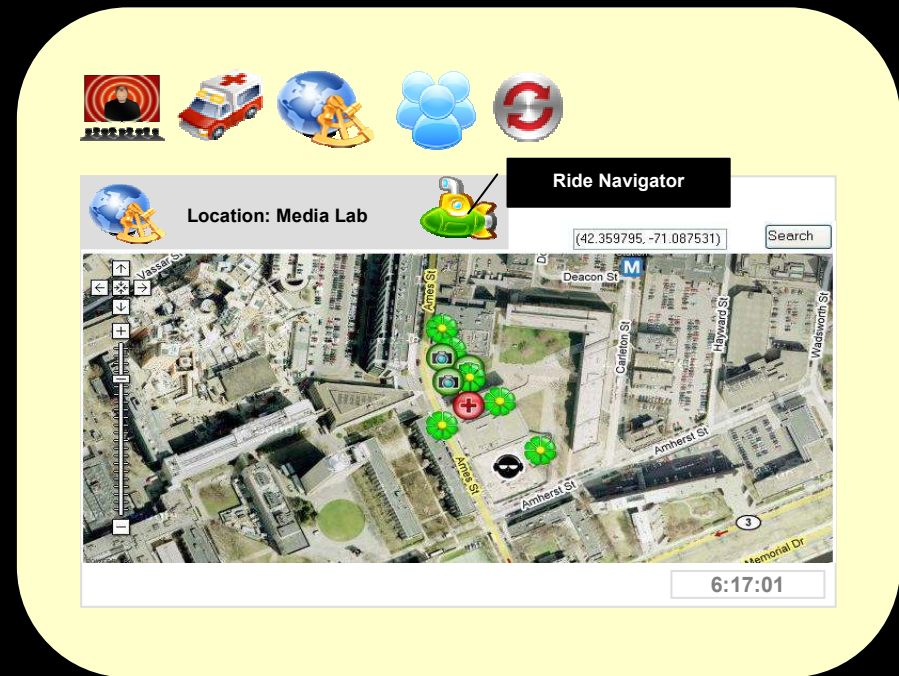
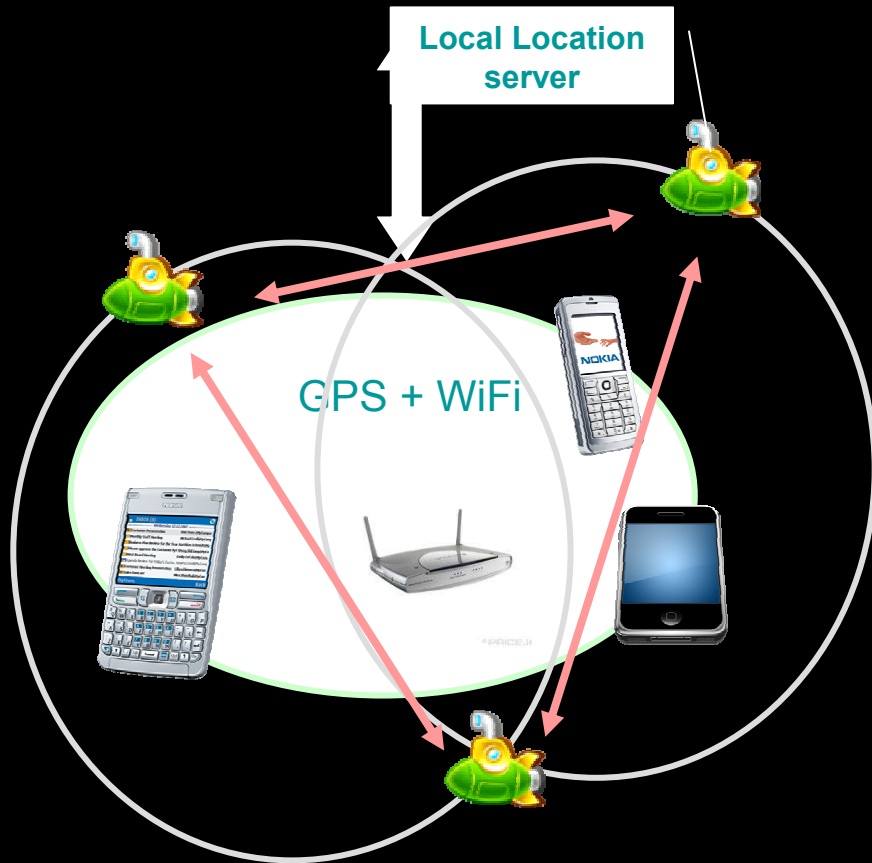
Rider List

- Jose
- Pedro
- Andrea
- Josepina

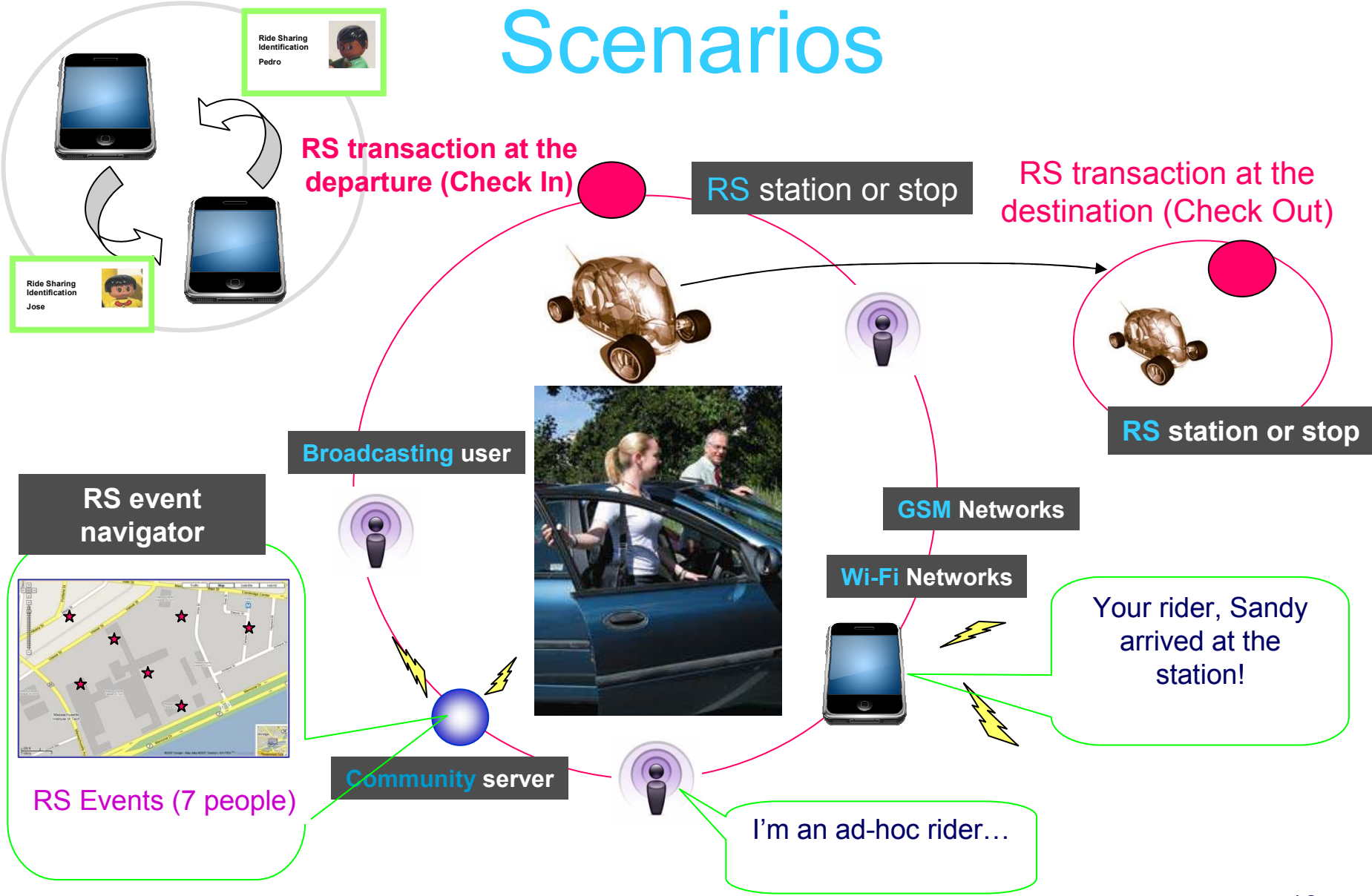
Stop order

1. INCAE
2. Park
3. Market
4. City Hall

RideFinder: Tracking Location



Scenarios

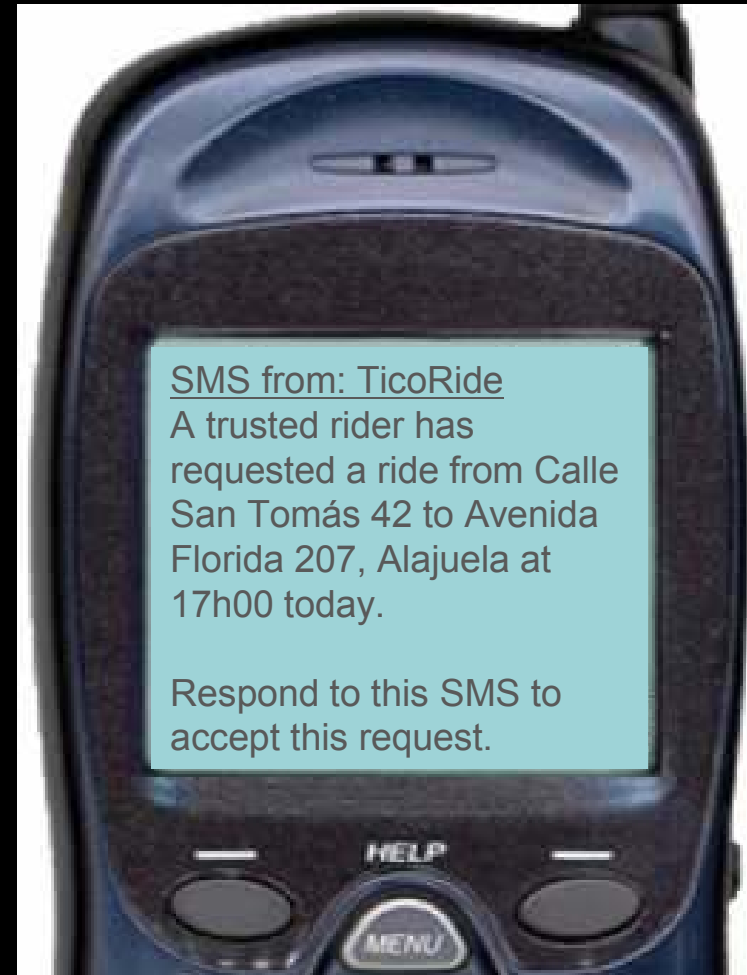


Ride Request: SMS

Rider makes request

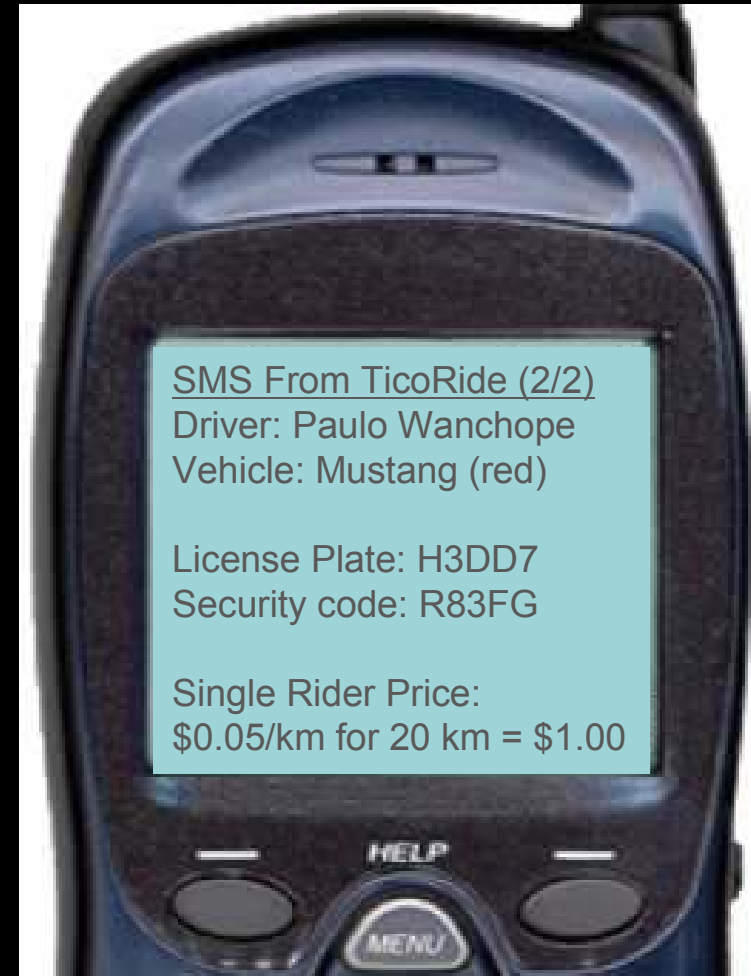
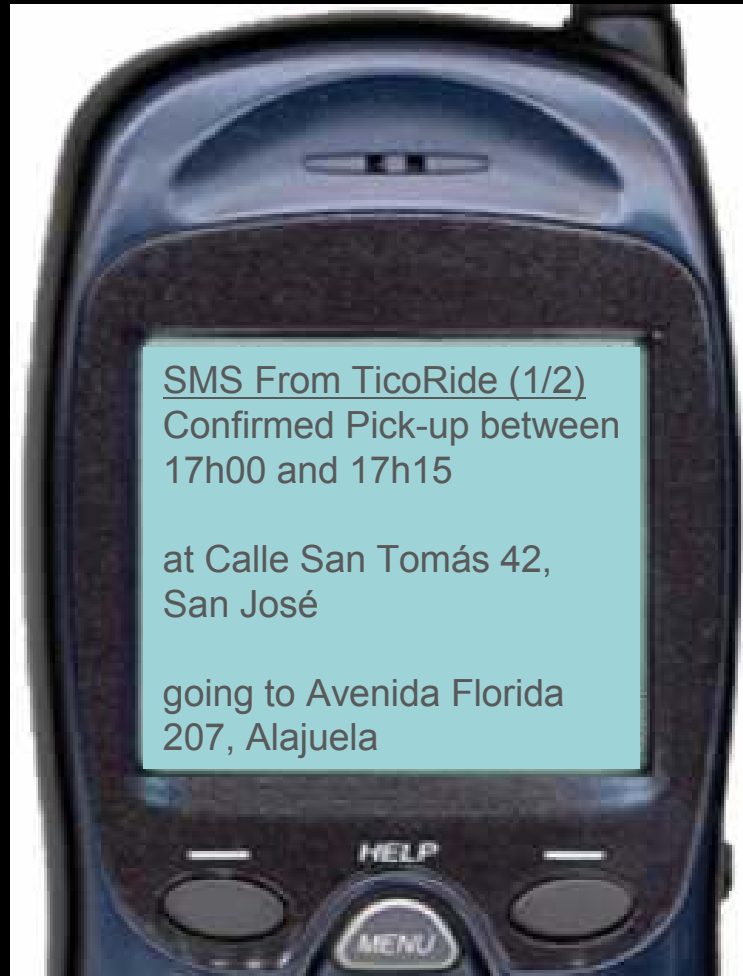


Appropriate drivers receive request



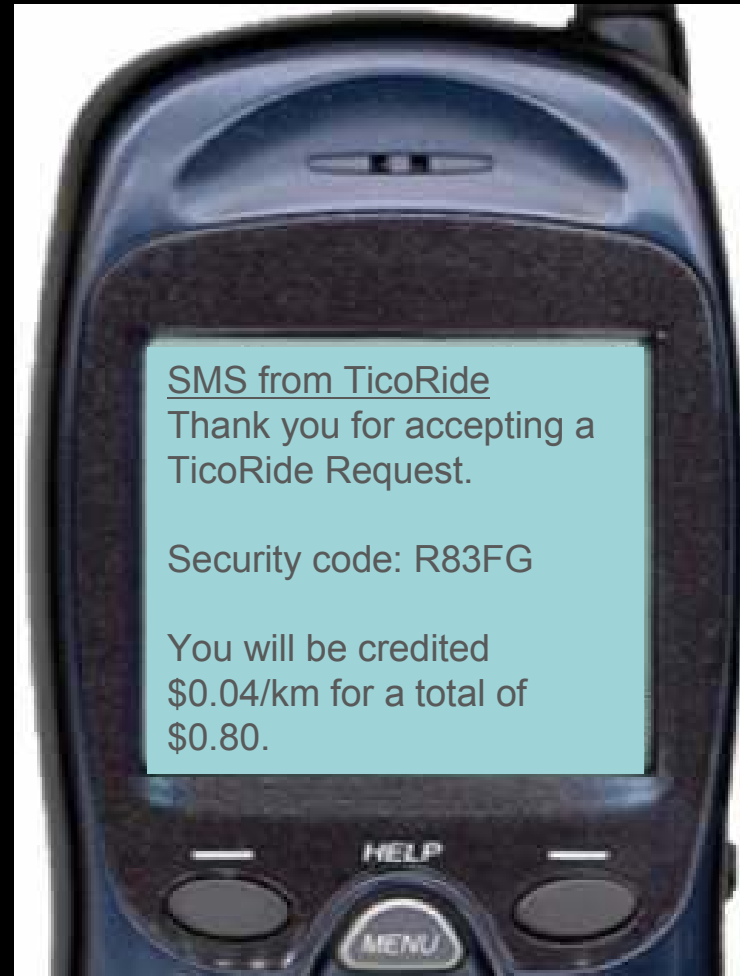
Ride Confirmation: SMS

Rider receives confirmation



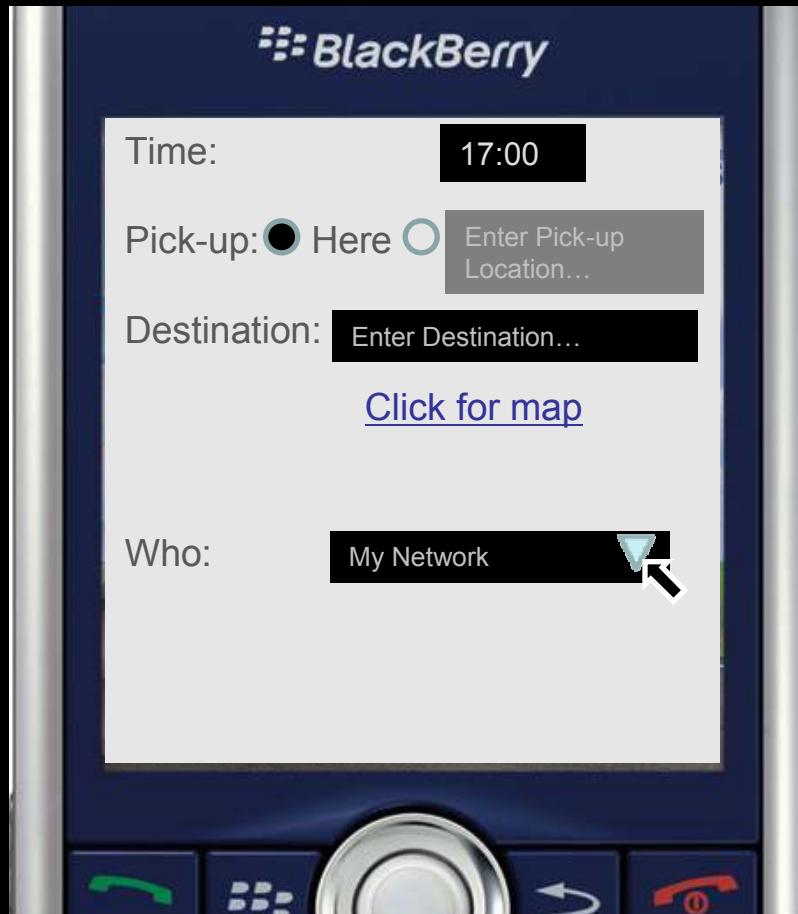
Ride Confirmation: SMS

Driver receives confirmation

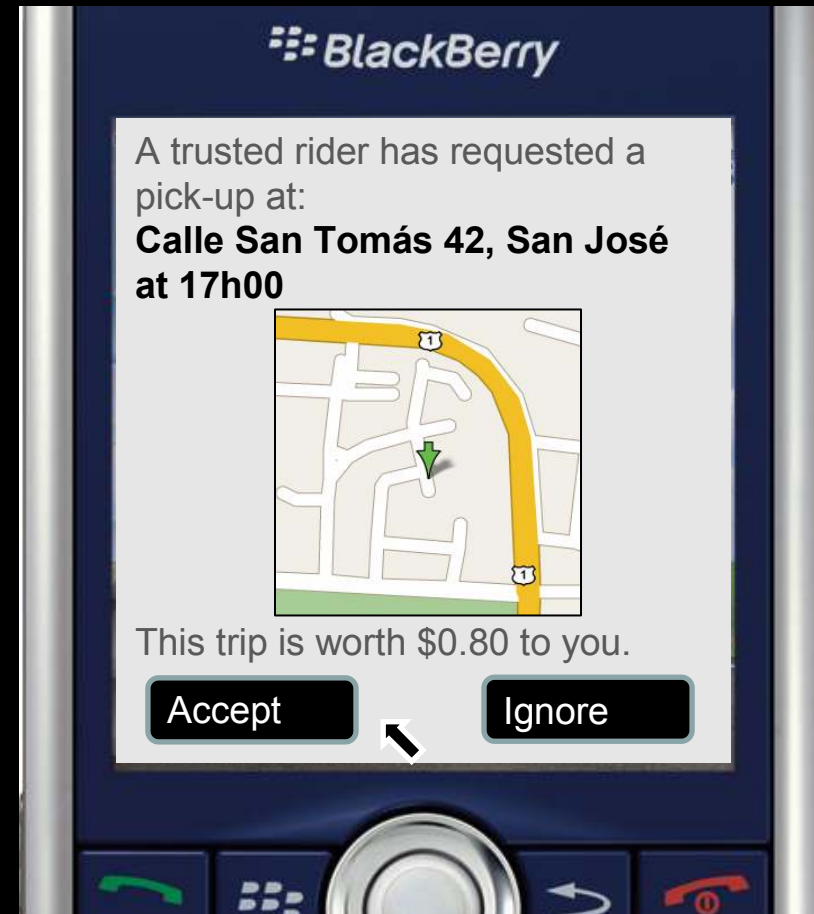


Ride Request: Phone App

Rider makes request

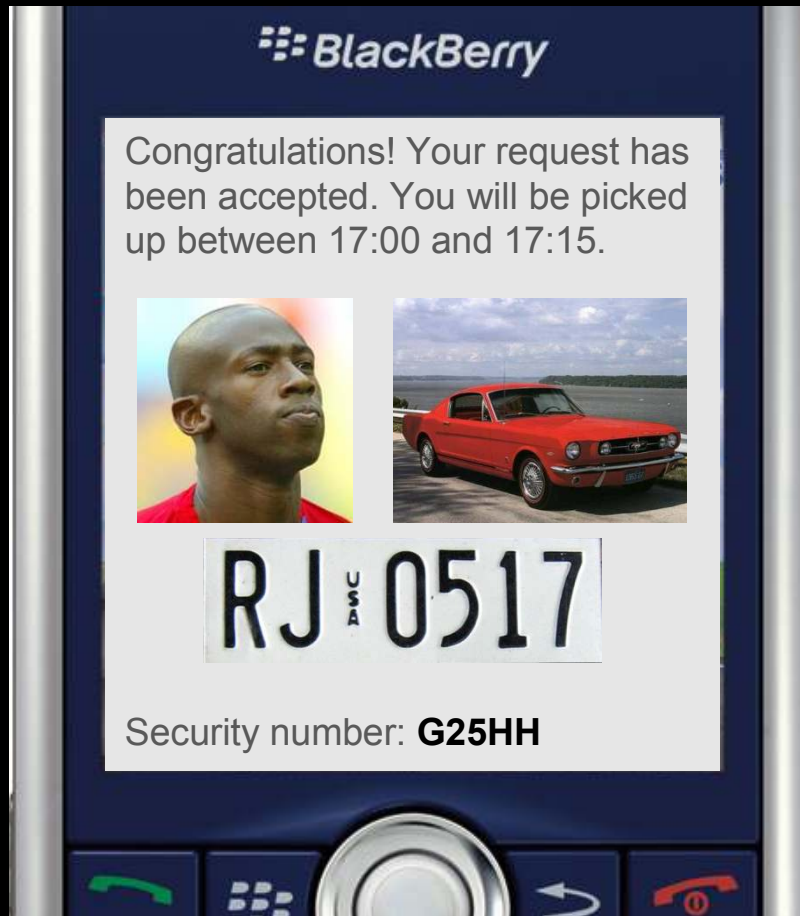


Drivers receive request

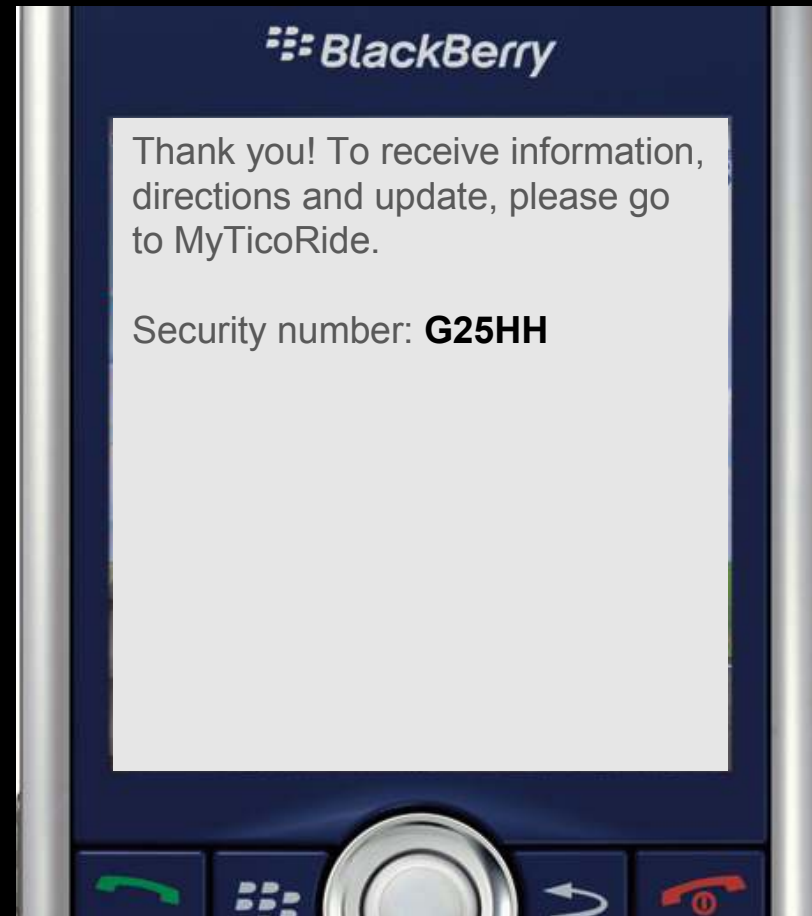


Ride Request: Phone App

Rider receives confirmation



Driver receives confirmation

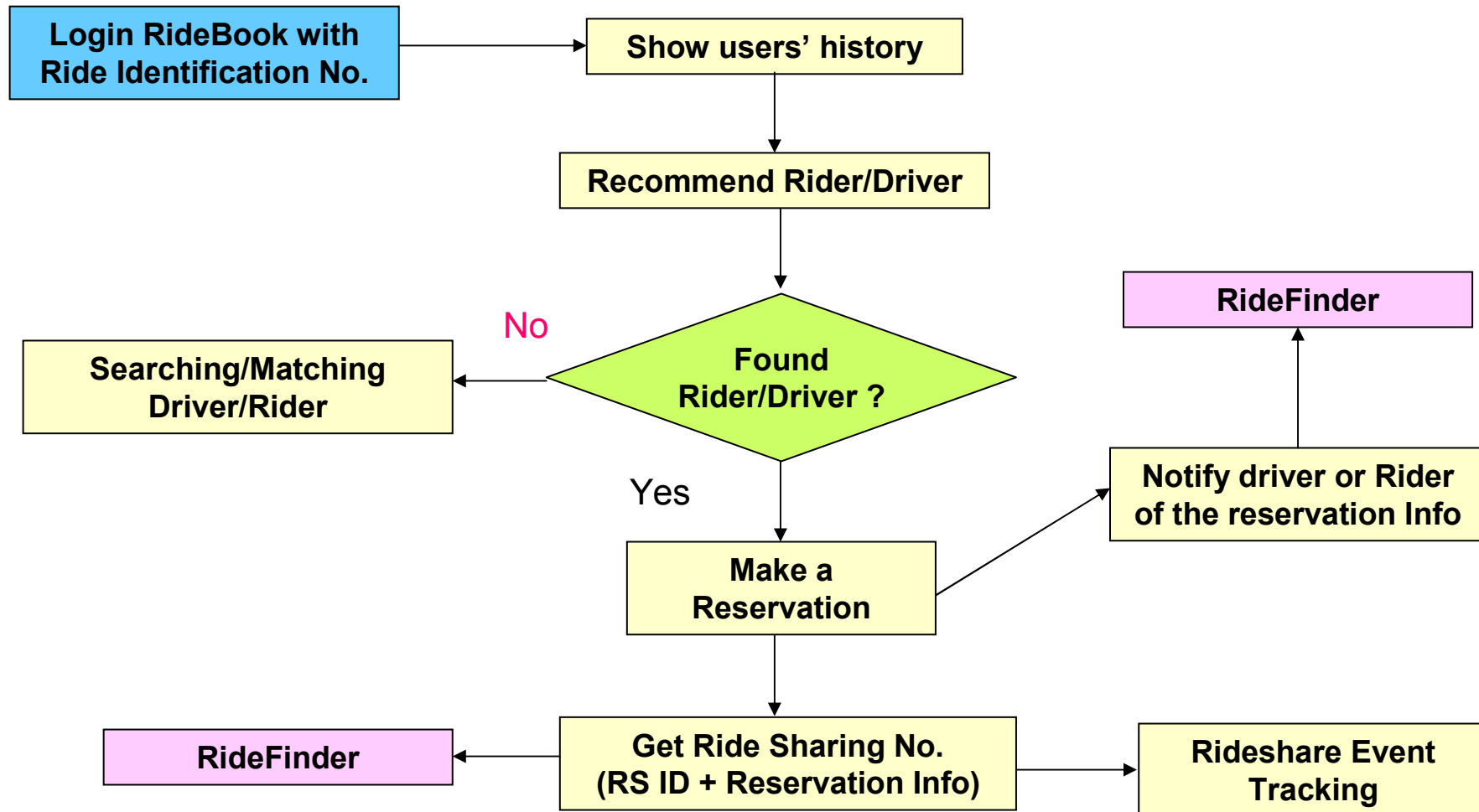


Sample Rate Table

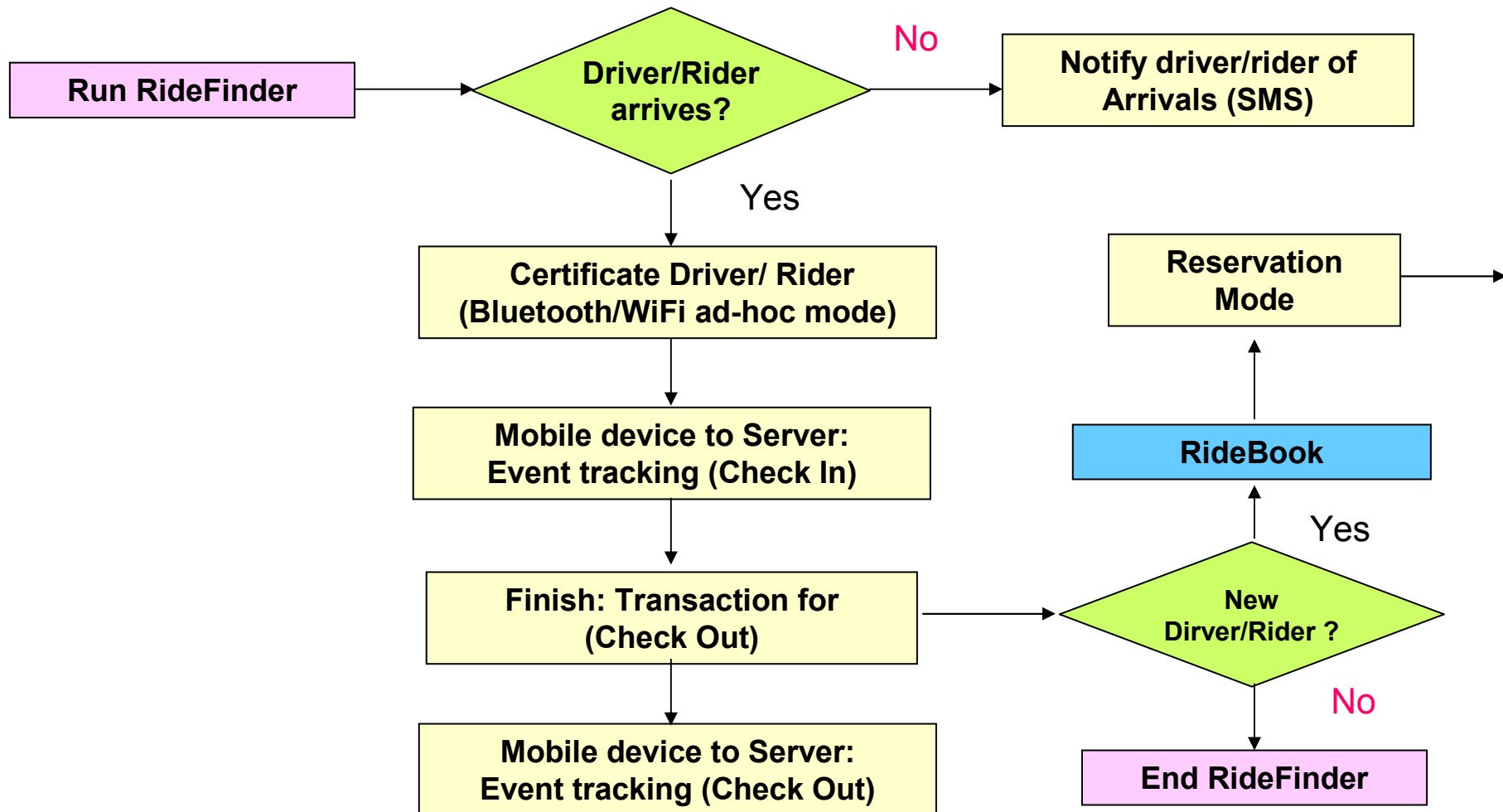
Assuming the cost of driving is 50 CRC per KM:

# of Riders	Driver credited (per KM)	Rider pays (per KM)	TCCR gets (per KM)
1	20	40	20
2	30	30	30
3	40	25	35

Flow Charts - RideBook



Flow Charts-RideFinder (Reservation Mode)



Flow Charts-RideFinder (Ad-hoc mode)

