Project Title: Interactive Social Media Forum

Functional and Non-Functional Requirements

Functional Requirements:

1. User Authentication and Profiles:

- Users can register an account.
- Users can log in and log out.
- Users can view and edit their profile information.
- Users can view other users' profiles.

2. Post Creation and Management:

- Users can create a new post with text (optional: add images or videos).
- Users can edit or delete their own posts.
- Users can view a list of all posts.
- Posts can be organized by tags and categories.

3. Comments and Interactions:

• Users can comment on posts.

4. Moderation and Administration:

- Admins can manage users and content.
- Users can report inappropriate content.
- o Role-based access control for admin, moderator, and user roles.

Non-Functional Requirements:

1. Performance:

- The system should handle up to 100 concurrent users without significant performance degradation.
- o Response time for any action should be less than 2 seconds.

2. Scalability:

 The system should be scalable to accommodate future growth in the number of users and posts.

3. Security:

- User data should be encrypted.
- Authentication should be handled securely using Spring Security.
- Input validation should be enforced to prevent SQL injection and other attacks.

4. Usability:

- The user interface should be intuitive and easy to navigate.
- The system should be accessible on both desktop and mobile devices.

5. Maintainability:

- The codebase should follow best practices for readability and maintainability.
- Documentation should be provided for the code and API.

6. Reliability:

- The system should have an uptime of 99.9%.
- Data integrity should be maintained, ensuring no data loss during transactions.

Use Cases

Use Case 1: User Registration

Actor: User

Description: A user registers for a new account.

Steps:

- 1. User navigates to the registration page.
- 2. User fills out the registration form with username, email, and password.
- 3. User submits the registration form.
- 4. System validates the input.
- 5. System creates a new user account and stores it in the database.
- 6. System sends a confirmation email to the user.
- 7. User confirms their email.

Use Case 2: Create a Post

Actor: Authenticated User

Description: A user creates a new post.

Steps:

- 1. User logs in.
- 2. User navigates to the create post page.
- 3. User enters the text for the post.
- 4. User submits the post.
- 5. System validates the input.
- 6. System saves the post to the database.
- 7. System displays the post in the user's feed.

Use Case 3: Comment on a Post

Actor: Authenticated User

Description: A user comments on an existing post.

Steps:

- 1. User logs in.
- 2. User navigates to the post they want to comment on.
- 3. User enters a comment.
- 4. User submits the comment.
- 5. System validates the input.
- 6. System saves the comment to the database.
- 7. System displays the comment under the post.

Use Case 4: Like a Post

Actor: Authenticated User

Description: A user likes an existing post.

Steps:

- 1. User logs in.
- 2. User navigates to the post they want to like.
- 3. User clicks the like button.
- 4. System updates the like count for the post.
- 5. System records the like in the database.

Use Case 5: View User Profile

Actor: Any User

Description: A user views another user's profile.

Steps:

- 1. User navigates to the profile page of another user.
- 2. System retrieves the profile information from the database.
- 3. System displays the profile information, including posts and comments.

Objects, Classes, and Relationships

Entities:

User:

- id (serial)
- username (varchar)
- email (varchar)
- password (varchar)

Post:

- id (serial)
- author_id (foreign key referencing User)
- text (varchar)
- created_at (timestamp)

Comment:

- id (serial)
- post_id (foreign key referencing Post)
- author_id (foreign key referencing User)
- text (varchar)
- created_at (timestamp)

Like:

- id (serial)
- liker_id (foreign key referencing User)
- post_id (foreign key referencing Post)

Class Diagram (Textual Representation):

User

+ id: Long

+ username: String
+ email: String
+ password: String
+ posts: List<Post>

+ comments: List<Comment>

+ likes: List<Like>

Post

+ id: Long

+ author: User
+ text: String

+ createdAt: LocalDateTime
+ comments: List<Comment>

+ likes: List<Like>

Comment

+ id: Long
+ post: Post
+ author: User
+ text: String

+ createdAt: LocalDateTime

Like

+ id: Long + liker: User + post: Post

CRC Cards (Class-Responsibility-Collaborator)

User:

- Responsibilities:
 - o Register and log in.
 - o Manage profile information.
 - Create posts and comments.
 - o Like posts and comments.
- Collaborators:
 - o Post
 - Comment

o Like

Post:

- Responsibilities:
 - Store post content.
 - Link to the author.
 - Manage comments and likes.
- Collaborators:
 - User
 - Comment
 - Like

Comment:

- Responsibilities:
 - Store comment content.
 - Link to the post and author.
- Collaborators:
 - o Post
 - User

Like:

- Responsibilities:
 - Store like information.
 - Link to the liker and post.
- Collaborators:
 - o User
 - o Post

Summary

This document outlines the high-level overview, functional and non-functional requirements, use cases, and class structure for the Interactive Social Media Forum project. The design ensures a structured approach to building a user-friendly and secure platform for social interactions, supporting various features such as user authentication, post management, commenting, liking, and user networking.