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1. Introduction

CineVerse is a social networking platform for film enthusiasts where users can discover, rate, and review films, as well as interact with a community of like-minded people. Users can create watchlists, log films they've watched, and write reviews. Additionally, the platform offers curated lists, personalized recommendations, and the ability to follow other users to see their activity.

1.1 Product Scope

CineVerse is a movie-centric social networking site where users can discover, rate, and review films, as well as engage with a community of movie enthusiasts.

1.2 Product Value

The platform fosters community engagement and provides tools for organizing and sharing movie preferences. It enhances user experiences with personalized recommendations and curated lists.

1.3 Target Audience

- Movie enthusiasts who are seeking to track, review, and discuss films.
- Users looking for personalized recommendations and social features related to movies.

1.4 Intended Use

Users can log watched movies, create watchlists, write reviews, and interact with other like-minded movie enthusiasts.

2. Functional Requirements

2.1 User Authentication

Users can log in, register, and reset forgotten passwords securely.

2.2 Search Functionality

Users can search for movies by title, genre, release date, or other filters.

2.3 Task/Item Addition

Users can add new movies with details such as title, description, images, and categories.

2.4 Review and Rating System

- Users can write, edit, or delete reviews for movies.
- Users can rate movies.
- Other users can interact with reviews, just as users can interact with their reviews.

2.5 Watchlist/Task List

Users can create and manage personalized watchlists for tracking movies to watch later.

2.6 Social Features

Users can follow other users, view their activity, and comment on their reviews.

2.7 Recommendations

Personalized movie suggestions based on user preferences or genre.

2.8 Curated Lists

Featured lists curated by the website or users, highlighting specific themes or categories.

3. External Interface Requirements

3.1 User Interface Requirements

- A responsive and user-friendly UI/UX designed in Figma.
- Clear navigation for movie search, reviews, and social features.

3.2 Hardware Interface Requirements

Compatibility with mobile devices and standard desktop browsers.

3.3 Software Interface Requirements

- Frontend: Developed using the Next.js framework for fast, scalable, and SEO-friendly applications.
- Backend: Flask REST APIs for handling data and requests to the server.
- Database: To store user data, movie details, and reviews.

3.4 Communication Interface Requirements

Notifications sent via email for account-related updates.

4. Non-Functional Requirements

4.1 Security

Secure user authentication and encrypted storage for sensitive data.

4.2 Capacity

Support for large datasets of movies and user activity logs.

4.3 Compatibility

Cross-browser and cross-device compatibility.

4.4 Reliability

Ensure 99% uptime for a consistent and convenient user experience.

4.5 Scalability

Handle a sudden surge in users and maintain stability during concurrent sessions.

4.6 Maintainability

Modular codebase to facilitate updates, feature additions, bug fixes, and future scalability.

5. Definitions and Acronyms

• API: Application Programming Interface

• **SEO**: Search Engine Optimization

• **UI**: User Interface

• **UX**: User Experience