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Project Report: GymRats Nutrition Bot

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1. Motivation

The **GymRats Nutrition Bot** was developed to provide users with an interactive and educational tool for fitness and nutrition. Many people struggle with maintaining a healthy lifestyle due to a lack of accessible guidance. This chatbot aims to:

- Educate users on nutrition, fitness, and healthy eating habits.
- Engage users with an interactive quiz to test their knowledge.
- Personalize recommendations based on user input (age, weight, height, goals).
- Encourage healthy habits by offering actionable diet and exercise plans.

This project was inspired by the growing need for **automated**, **accessible fitness guidance** in a world where misinformation about health is rampant.

2. Detailed Analysis & Design Choices

2.1 Core Features

1. Interactive Quiz System

- o Users select a topic (nutrition, sports, gym, mixed).
- o Questions are dynamically selected based on the topic.
- o Immediate feedback is provided after each answer.

2. Personalized Fitness & Nutrition Plan

- o Collects user data (name, age, height, weight, food preferences).
- o Calculates BMI and suggests weight loss/gain strategies.
- o Provides tailored exercise and diet recommendations.

3. Natural Language Processing (Basic Input Handling)

- Uses **keyword matching** (e.g. "yes"/"no" detection).
- o Parses user responses to extract numerical data (e.g. height, weight).

2.2 Design Choices

- Functional Programming (Scala):
 - o Uses immutable data structures (List, Set).
 - o **Recursion** for input validation (e.g isReady()).
 - o Pattern matching for topic selection (match cases).

• User Experience (UX):

- Emoji usage for engagement (k, log, e).
- o Error handling (e.g., invalid topic selection).
- o **Personalized responses** (e.g., addressing the user by name).

3. Implementation Details & Examples

3.1 Key Functions

a. Quiz System

1- selectQuizQuestions(topic: String)

- o Returns a list of questions based on the topic.
- o Example:

```
case "nutrition" => nutritionQuestions
case "sports" => sportsQuestions
```

2- presentQuizQuestion(question: (String, List[String], String))

- Displays the question, options, and checks the answer.
- Example:

```
println(question._1) // Prints the question
question._2.zipWithIndex.foreach { case (option, idx) =>
  println(s"${idx + 1}. $option")
}
```

b. Personalized Plan Generator

1-calculateBMI(height: Int, weight: Int)

Computes BMI using the formula:

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weight / (heightInMeters * heightInMeters)
```

2-createPlan(goal: String, currentWeight: Int, targetWeight: Int)

Generates diet/exercise advice based on goal (lose/gain weight).

Example output:

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- Daily Caloric Intake: Reduce by ~500 kcal/day (for weight loss)
- Exercise: Focus on cardio & HIIT 🏃
```

c. Input Handling

• parseInput(input: String)

Normalizes input (lowercase, split into tokens).

Example:

```
"Yes, I'm ready!" <mark>→ List(</mark>"yes", "i'm", "ready")
```

4. Testing Strategy & Results

4.1 Testing Approach

- Manual Testing:
 - o Tested quiz logic (correct/wrong answers).
 - Verified **BMI calculation accuracy**.
 - o Checked input parsing (e.g "yes" \rightarrow true).
- Edge Cases:
 - o Empty input \rightarrow Handled via recursion in isReady().
 - \circ Invalid topic \rightarrow Reprompts user.

4.2 Results

- Quiz System: Correctly tracks scores and provides feedback.
- Personalized Plans: Generates realistic diet/exercise advice.
- Input Handling: Robust against minor typos (e.g "YeS" \rightarrow "yes").

5. Final Conclusions & Future Work

5.1 Successes

- ✓ Engaging UX (emojis, personalized responses).
- ✓ Modular Design (easy to extend with new quiz questions).
- ✓ Functional & Readable (Scala's pattern matching + recursion).

5.2 Future Improvements

- Add a database (store user profiles & progress).
- Enhance NLP (use a library like Apache OpenNLP).
- Expand Quiz Topics (e.g mental health, meal planning).
- Mobile App Integration (Scala.js or Kotlin Multiplatform).

Final Thoughts

The **GymRats Nutrition Bot** successfully combines **education**, **engagement**, **and personalization** in a simple yet effective chatbot. With further improvements, it could become a powerful tool for fitness enthusiasts!

Future Goal: Turn it into a full-fledged health assistant with Al-driven recommendations!