# Obelisk

**Where Opinions Stand Tall** 



# **Our Team**

## **Team Scrum Scums**

#### **Team Members**

- Arwin Fong
- Arnav Priyadarshi
- Eric Fan
- Harrick Cheong
- Jason Xia

# **Live Demo**

# **Process Discussion**

## Workflow



- Planning Poker at the beginning of each sprint
- Tasks are delegated based on each person's capacity, preference, and interest

### **Github**

- Branched once per user story
- Pull requests required code review and approval from at least one member

### **Communication**

- Conducted a stand up once every other day @ 9pm on Slack or Discord
- Retrospective meetings and initial sprint planning were discussed in-person

## **Significant Decisions**

#### Team chose to have meetings via Slack/Discord

- Convenience of meeting online increased productivity
- Slack/Discord had notifications and also provided accessibility to everyone

#### **Opting for Relational Database for Structured Data and Cloud Service**

- Made it easy to map complex relationships between users, posts, and interaction
- Able to scale the application via methods like database sharding

#### Disabling the ability for users to delete their own posts

- Supports the platform's vision of promoting authenticity and self-responsibility
- Encourages thoughtful writing and discourages low-quality posts

# **Technical Discussion**

## **Items**

#### Interesting bug:

• When designing infinite scrolling, the incorrect offset caused posts to be replicated.

#### Design change:

Relational database to Vector for Recommender Algorithm

#### **Technology/Framework lesson:**

• Modularize page elements into components

# Software Architecture

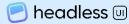
## **Technology Stack**

#### **Frontend**









### **Backend**









## **Main Components**

**Pages** - create post, personalized feed, view profile, search, top recommended posts **Api Routes** - comments, recommended, registration, search, user **Components** - inputs, modal, buttons, navbar, post card, user card, skeleton screen **Library** - authentication, prisma

## **Software Techniques**

#### **Recommender Algorithm:**

- Created a matrix using data from our database
- Used Neon extension for pgvector to convert the matrix into a <u>vector database</u>
- Performed Context Based filtering for a current user's recommendations

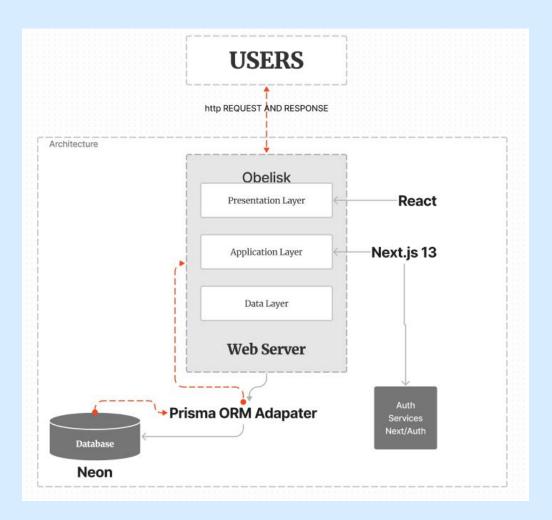
#### **Infinite Scrolling**

- Used Prisma cursor-based pagination to make this feature scalable
- Created infinitely scrollable pages using Infinite Scrolling React Component

#### Search Engine - FullTextSearch

- Provides flexible and accurate search results
- Leverages rank for priority searching
- Streamlines well with PostgreSQL

## **Architecture**



# Contributions

## **Individual Contribution**

**Arwin Fong** - Comments, Markdown Toolbar, Recommender Algorithm + Top Recommended Post

Arnav Priyadarshi - Scrum Management, Posts, Comments, Infinite Scrolling, Profiles, Database, Password Auth, Site UI, Tags, Follows, Likes, Markdown Renderer, Share Posts Eric Fan - Like on Posts, Profile Customization, Post Category Adding and Creation Harrick Cheong - Login, Sessions, Edit Profile, Cloud Storage, Frontend Refinements Jason Xia - Comments, Likes, Full Text Search

## **Questions?**