GitHub User Profile Android App - Documentation

Overview:

The **GitHub User Profile App** is an Android application built with **Kotlin**, **Jetpack Compose**, and **MVVM architecture**. The app communicates with the **GitHub public API** to fetch and display a user's profile information, including the list of repositories, and shows detailed information about each repository.

This documentation covers the following topics:

- 1. Architecture Overview
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- 5. Implementation Details
- 6. **Testing**
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1. Architecture Overview

This app follows the **Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM)** architecture pattern:

- Model: Responsible for the business logic and fetching data from the GitHub API.
- **ViewModel**: Exposes the state to the UI and handles user interactions. It uses Kotlin Coroutines to fetch data asynchronously.
- View (Jetpack Compose): Displays the UI based on the state from the ViewModel.

2. Functional Requirements

2.1 Core Features

- 1. **User Profile Input**: The user can input a GitHub username, and the app will display the user's name and avatar.
- 2. **Repository List**: The app shows a scrollable list of all the repositories owned by the specified user, including their names and descriptions.
- Repository Details: Clicking on a repository in the list will navigate to a detail screen, showing more information like stars and forks.
- 4. **Total Forks Badge**: On the repository detail screen, the app displays the total number of forks across all repositories. If the total number of forks exceeds 5000, a star badge (with red/gold color) is displayed.

2.2 Additional Requirements

• **Senior Developer Feature**: The app displays the total number of forks for all repositories. If forks exceed 5000, a special colored text badge is displayed.

3. Design

3.1 User Interface

The app uses Jetpack Compose for the UI:

- User Avatar and Name: Displays the user's avatar and name at the top of the screen.
- Repository List: A scrollable list showing the name and description of each public repository.
- Repository Detail Screen: Shows detailed information about the repository (e.g., stars, forks).
- Responsive Layout: The UI automatically adjusts to different screen sizes.

3.2 Navigation

 Navigation between the repository list and the detail screen is handled using the NavController provided by Jetpack Compose.

4. API Usage

The app communicates with the **GitHub API** to retrieve the necessary data.

4.1 API Endpoints

- 1. User Information:
 - o **Endpoint**: https://api.github.com/users/{userId}
 - Response Fields:
 - name: String (the user's display name)
 - avatar_url: String (URL to the user's avatar image)
- 2. User Repositories:
 - **Endpoint**: https://api.github.com/users/{userId}/repos
 - Response Fields:
 - name: String (repository name)
 - description: String (repository description)
 - stargazers_count: Integer (number of stars)
 - forks: Integer (number of forks)

4.2 Data Models

The app uses two data models for API responses:

- UserResponse: Contains the user's name and avatar URL.
- RepoResponse: Contains the repository's name, description, stargazers count, and forks count.

5. Implementation Details

5.1 Dependencies

The project uses the following dependencies:

- Jetpack Compose: For UI.
- Retrofit: For making API requests.
- **Gson Converter**: For parsing the JSON responses.
- Kotlin Coroutines: For handling asynchronous tasks.
- **Coil**: For loading images (e.g., user avatars).

5.2 MVVM Structure

5.2.1 ViewModel: UserViewModel

- Manages the app's state using MutableStateFlow.
- Fetches data from the **GitHub API** using the GithubRepository.
- Exposes the following states:
 - Loading: Indicates that data is being fetched.
 - Success: Contains the user's profile and repositories data.
 - Error: Displays an error message if the request fails.

5.2.2 Repository: GithubRepository

• Interacts with the **Retrofit** client to make API calls to fetch user and repository data from GitHub.

5.2.3 Retrofit Client

- RetrofitClient sets up the GitHub API client using the base URL https://api.github.com/.
- Provides methods to get user details and repositories.

5.3 UI Implementation

The UI is written entirely in Jetpack Compose and consists of:

- 1. **MainActivity**: The entry point, which displays the user screen.
- 2. **InputScreen**: Input github Id and and click on search button to retrieve the data.
- 3. **UserScreen**: A composable function that displays the user's profile and repositories.
- 4. **UserDetails**: A composable function that displays the detailed information about a user's repositories.

5. **LoadingScreen**: A simple loading spinner to indicate network activity.

Code Structure

- MainActivity: Initializes the UserViewModel and renders the UserScreen.
- **UserScreen**: Fetches and observes UserViewModel state to render the user's profile and repository list.
- **UserDetails**: Displays a detailed view of a selected repository.

6. Testing

6.1 Unit Testing

The app uses JUnit to test the business logic in the ViewModel.

6.2 UserViewModelTest

- **Test Case 1**: validate user data is fetched successfully.
- **Test Case 2**: Validate network error is handled when exception occurs.

6.3 RepositoryViewModelTest

- **Test Case 1**: Validate repositories are fetched successfully.
- Test Case 2: Validate repository API error handled when exception occurs.

7. Running the Project

7.1 Prerequisites

Ensure the following are installed:

- Android Studio (latest version)
- Android SDK (API level 21 or above)

7.2 Steps to Run

- 1. Clone or download the project.
- 2. Open the project in Android Studio.
- 3. **Sync Gradle** to ensure all dependencies are installed.
- 4. **Run the project** on an Android emulator or physical device.
- 5. **Enter a GitHub username** (e.g., octocat) and view the user's profile and repositories.

8. Application Screenshot:





