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Introduction

Software development is a dynamic field that combines creativity, analytical thinking, and technical expertise. This assignment is designed to provide practical experience in tackling a real-world problem by translating a set of requirements into a functional software solution. It emphasizes the importance of understanding the problem domain and devising a solution that meets both user and system needs.

The assignment begins with an analysis of the problem statement, identifying the core functionalities and constraints. Using the principles of system design, we are required to create UML diagrams that provide a clear representation of the system's architecture. This step ensures a structured approach to software development and lays a foundation for efficient implementation. (Sommerville, 2015)

The implementation phase challenges us to transform our designs into a working application. This process involves selecting appropriate programming techniques, adhering to coding best practices, and ensuring that the final product is robust and user-friendly. By emphasizing both design and execution, the assignment mirrors the iterative processes followed in professional software engineering projects.

Overall, this assignment serves as a comprehensive exercise in problem-solving, design, and implementation. It prepares us to approach software development with confidence and equips them with valuable skills applicable in both academic and professional settings. (Fowler, 2003)

Requirement Analysis

Use Case Diagram

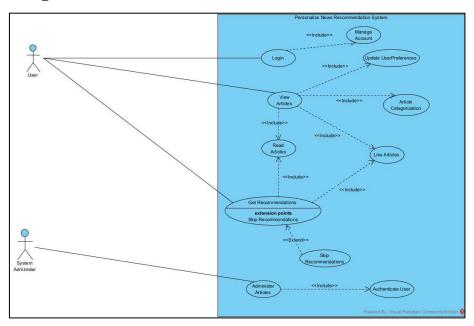


Figure 1: Use Case Diagram





Use Case Description

Use Case 1: Login

- Actor: User, System Administrator
- Description: Enables users and administrators to authenticate and access the system.
- Preconditions: The actor must have a registered account.
- Postconditions: The actor is logged into the system.
- Main Flow:
 - ❖ The actor enters their username and password.
 - ❖ The system validates the credentials.
 - If valid, access is granted.
- Alternative Flow:
 - ❖ If credentials are invalid, an error message is displayed, and the actor can retry.

(Boehm, 1988)

Use Case 2: View Articles

- Actor: User
- Description: Users can browse categorized articles in the system.
- Preconditions: The user must be logged in.
- Postconditions: Articles are displayed based on the user's preferences or categories.
- Main Flow:
 - ❖ The user selects a category or a trending tab.
 - ❖ The system fetches and displays articles from the relevant sources.

Use Case 3: Like Articles

- Actor: User
- Description: Users can rate articles based on their reading experience.
- Preconditions: The user must be logged in and have selected an article to read.
- Postconditions: The rating is recorded and stored in the system.
- Main Flow:
 - The user reads an article.
 - ❖ The user submits a like (e.g. there is a Like button to click).

(Unified Modeling Language (UML), n.d.)

Use Case 4: Get Recommendations

- Actor: User
- Description: Users receive personalized article recommendations.
- Preconditions: The user must be logged in.
- Postconditions: Recommendations are displayed on the user's homepage or a separate tab.
- Main Flow:





- ❖ The user selects the "Recommendations" option.
- The system fetches recommendations based on the user's reading history and ratings.
- ❖ Articles are displayed for the user.

Use Case 5: Manage Profile

- Actor: User
- Description: Users can update their personal information and preferences.
- Preconditions: The user must be logged in.
- Postconditions: The updated information is saved in the system.
- Main Flow:
 - The user accesses their profile page.
 - ❖ The user updates information such as name, password, or preferences.
 - ❖ The system saves the changes and confirms the update.

Use Case 6: Administer Articles

- Actor: System Administrator
- Description: Allows administrators to manage articles and add new sources to the system.
- Preconditions: The administrator must be logged in.
- Postconditions: The new articles or sources are added to the system.
- Main Flow:
 - ❖ The administrator selects the "Administer Articles" option.
 - ❖ The administrator uploads articles or links to new sources.
 - ❖ The system validates and stores the new content.

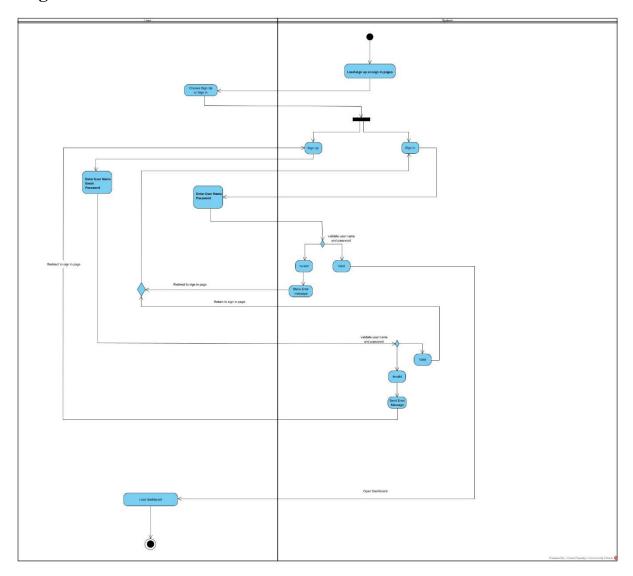
(Introduction to the Unified Modeling Language (UML), n.d.)





Activity Diagrams

Login







View Articles

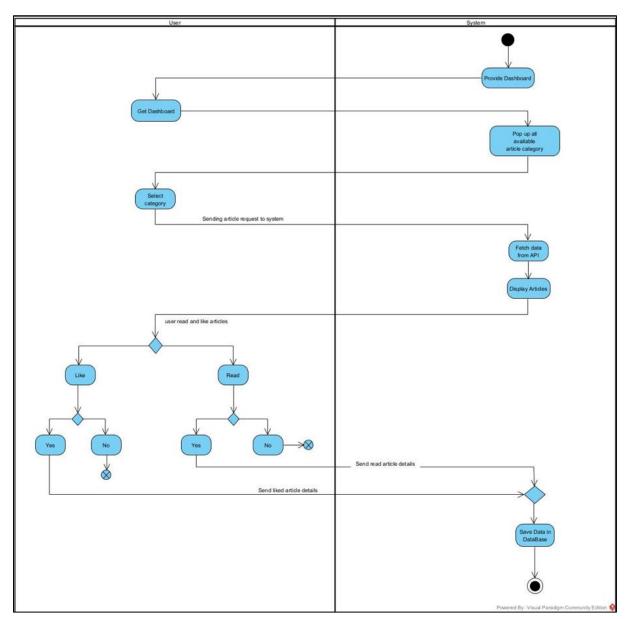


Figure 2: Article Activity Diagram

(Unified Modeling Language (UML) Specification, 2021)





Recommendation

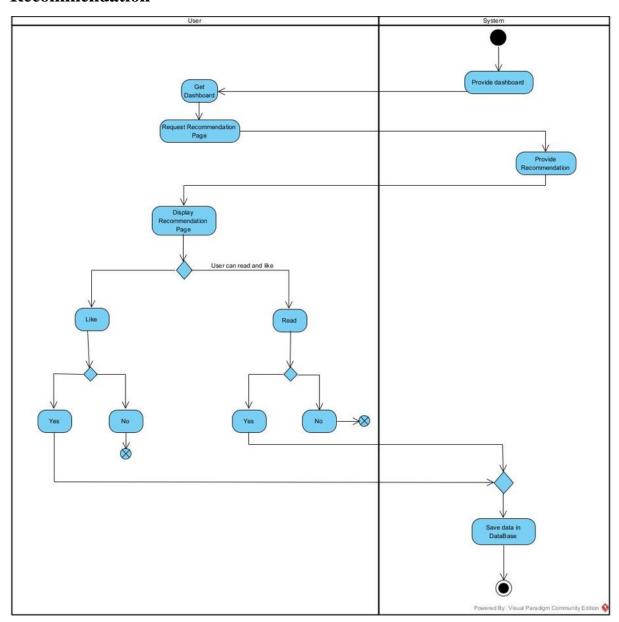


Figure 3: Recommendation Activity Diagram





Class diagram

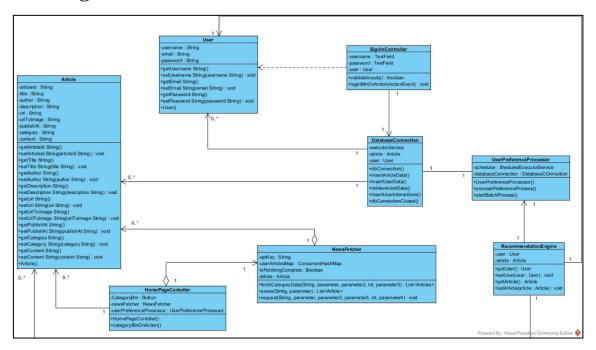


Figure 4: Single Class Diagram

Sequence Diagrams

Login

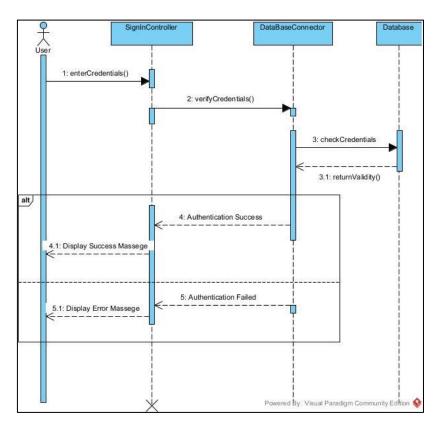


Figure 5: Login Sequence Diagram





Article Read

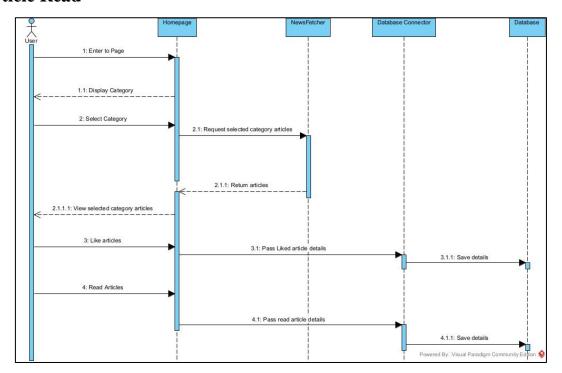


Figure 6: Article read Sequence Diagram

Admin Login

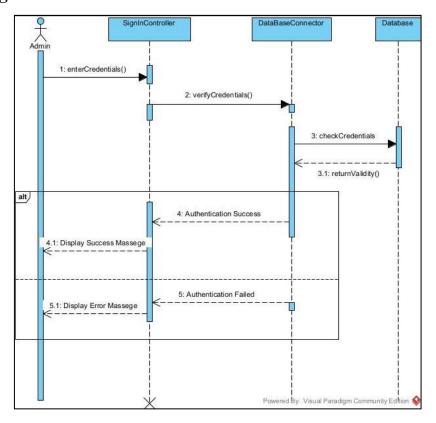


Figure 7: Admin Login Sequence Diagram





User Signup

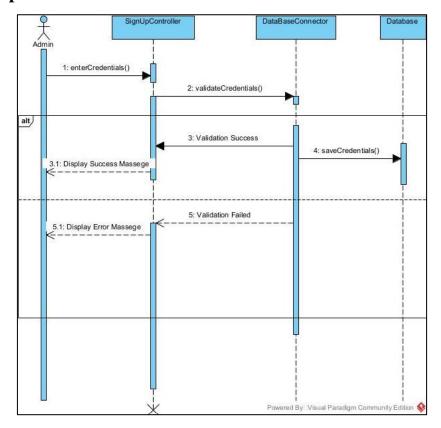


Figure 8: User Signup Sequence Diagram

Recommendation

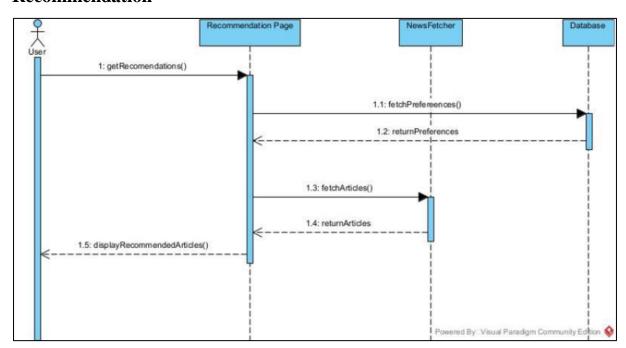


Figure 9: Recommendation Sequence Diagram

(Programming Tutorials and Resources, n.d.)





Testing and evaluation

Use Case 1: Login

- Test invalid credentials.
- Test valid credentials.
- Test account lockout after multiple failed attempts.

Use Case 2: View Articles

- Validate articles display correctly.
- Ensure articles load according to user preferences.
- Check for performance when loading many articles.

Use Case 3: Like Articles

- Verify the like button functions correctly.
- Ensure invalid inputs are handled.
- Confirm the user's like update the recommendation system.

Use Case 4: Get Recommendations

- Validate the recommendations match user preferences and history.
- Test recommendations for a new user (cold start problem).
- Verify response time under high user load.

Use Case 5: Manage Profile

- Test editing profile information.
- Verify password change functionality.
- Confirm error handling for invalid inputs.

Evaluation Metrics

1. Functionality

- Percentage of test cases passed.
- Critical bug count.

2. Performance

- System response time under normal and peak loads.
- System uptime percentage.





3. User Satisfaction

- Feedback collected during UAT.
- Average time taken to complete key actions (e.g., getting recommendations).

4. Scalability

• The number of concurrent users supported without significant performance degradation.

(Community for Developers, n.d.)





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Appendix

Used Tool Details

Java IDE

- ❖ Name intellij IDEA
- ❖ Version 2024.1.1

Database

- ❖ Name phpmyadmin
- **❖** Version − 5.2.1

Application GUIs



Figure 11: Sign in



Figure 10: Sign up



Figure 13: E-mail format Verification



Figure 12: Password format Verification







Figure 14: Sign in exist user verification

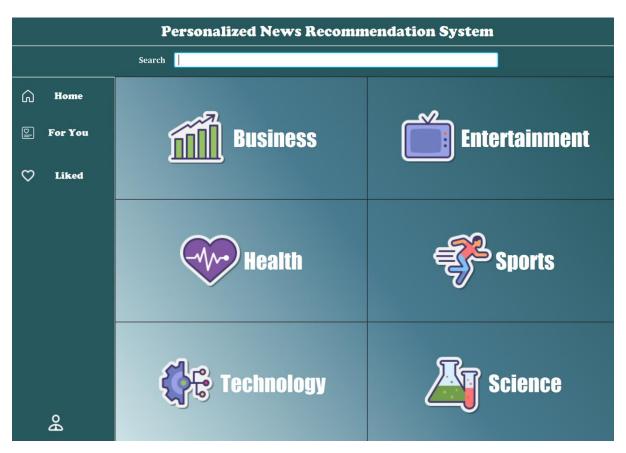


Figure 15: News Recommendation Engine in Home page





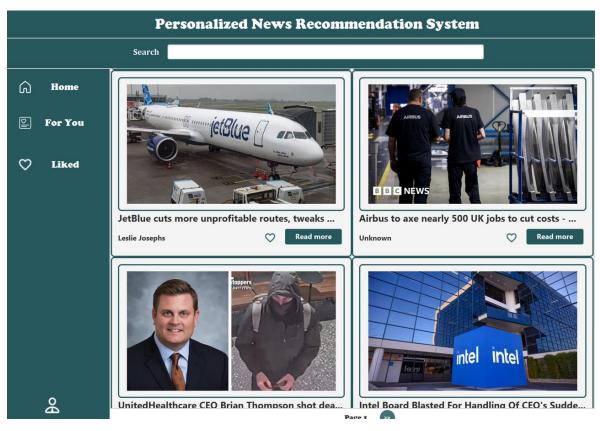


Figure 16: Categorized Articles view for one category

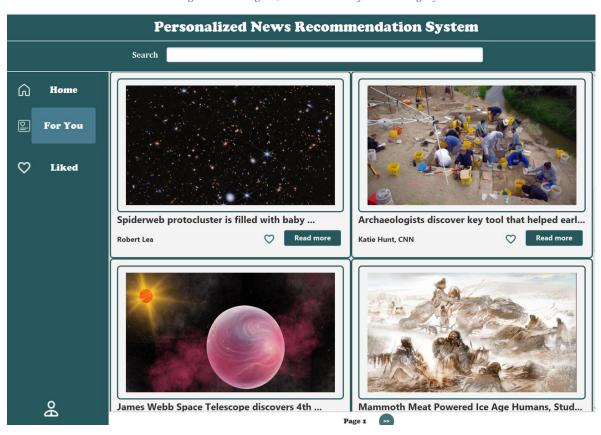


Figure 17: For You Page (Recommendation Engine)





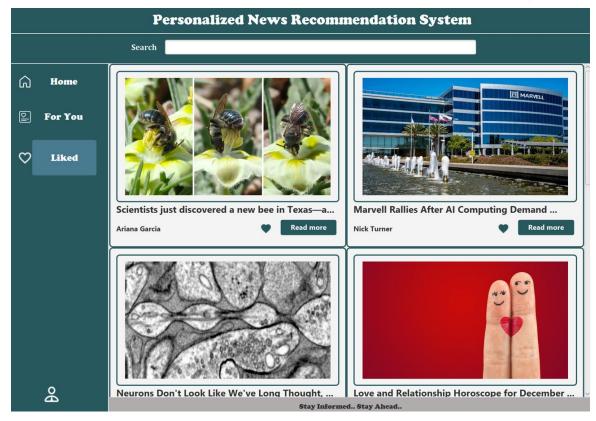


Figure 18: Liked Page

Database Table Details



Figure 19: All Table details



Figure 20: Article Table







Figure 21: User Table

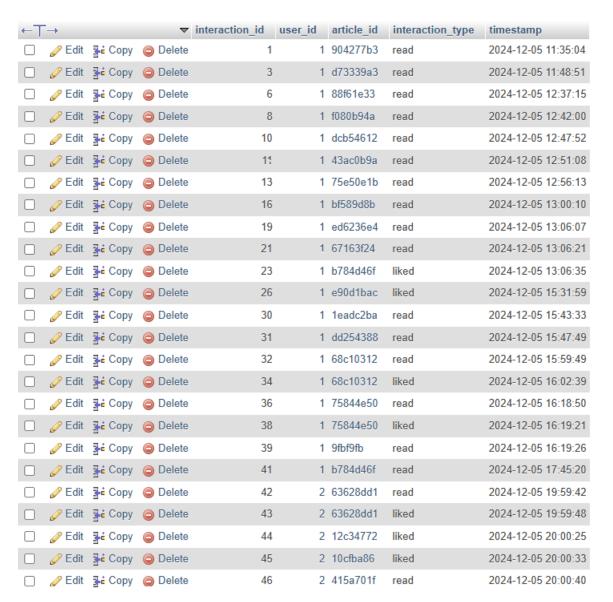


Figure 22: User preference Table





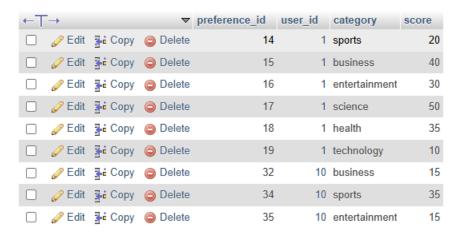


Figure 23: User Interaction Table