

Job Simulation: Live Weather Dashboard

Project Title: Design and Implementation of a Live Weather Dashboard

Role: Front-End Development Intern

Technology Stack: React.js, Material UI (MUI), React Hooks (useState, useEffect)

Project Objective

The goal of this project is to develop a **responsive, single-page weather dashboard** that displays live weather information for multiple cities. The application will use React and Material UI to ensure a modern UI/UX experience. It introduces key front-end concepts such as **real-time data fetching**, **dynamic rendering**, and **state management** using React Hooks.

Task Summary

As a part of this simulation, interns are expected to:

- Build a single-page application (SPA) that interacts with a public weather API (e.g., Open-Meteo).
- Allow users to **select a city from a dropdown list**.
- Display **current weather data** such as temperature, weather condition, and city name.
- Dynamically **style the UI** based on weather conditions (e.g., hot, cold, cloudy).
- Handle asynchronous operations gracefully with loading indicators.

Functional Requirements

- Use `useState` to manage:
 - Selected city
 - Fetched weather data
 - Loading state
- Use `useEffect` to:
 - Fetch new weather data each time the selected city changes.
- Provide a **dropdown menu** with 3–5 pre-defined cities.
- Display the following weather details:
 - **City Name**
 - **Temperature**
 - **Weather Condition**
 - **Last Updated Time**
- Show a **loading spinner** (`<CircularProgress>`) while data is being fetched.

User Interface Requirements

Use **only Material UI (MUI)** components to build the entire interface:

- `<Select>` and `<MenuItem>`: City selector dropdown
- `<Card>`: To present weather details
- `<Typography>`: For text elements
- `<Grid>`: For responsive layout
- `<CircularProgress>`: While loading

Dynamic Styling (based on temperature or condition):

- **Red background**: Hot

- **Blue background:** Cold
- **Grey background:** Cloudy or overcast

All layout and styling should be done using the sx prop and MUI's responsive Grid system.

Project File Structure

File	Purpose
App.jsx	Main component: layout, dropdown, manages state
WeatherCard.jsx	Reusable UI component to display weather data
api.js (<i>optional</i>)	Utility file for API requests

Learning Outcomes

By completing this simulation, you will gain experience in:

- Managing component state with useState
- Handling side effects and API calls with useEffect
- Creating clean, responsive layouts using MUI's Grid system
- Using conditional rendering and styling based on real-time data
- Structuring React applications for scalability and readability

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