

**CHAT CONNECT – A real-time chat and
communication app**
By using android development application

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INTRODUCTION:

Overview:

- Connect Chat is a real-time messaging tool that enables users to chat with individuals and groups, quickly share files, and collaborate on any record by connecting with the right people instantly.
- Connect Chat animates communication around records, Visual Task Boards, topics of interest, or groups of people.

Preview:

- This guide shows you how to extend an app that displays messages to the user and receives the user's replies, such as a chat app, to hand message display and reply receipt off to an Auto device
- Staying connected through messages is important to many drivers.
- Chat apps can let users know if a child needs to be picked up or if a dinner location has been changed.
- The Android framework lets messaging app,s extend their services into the driving experience using a standard user interface that lets.

Problem Definition & Design Thinking:

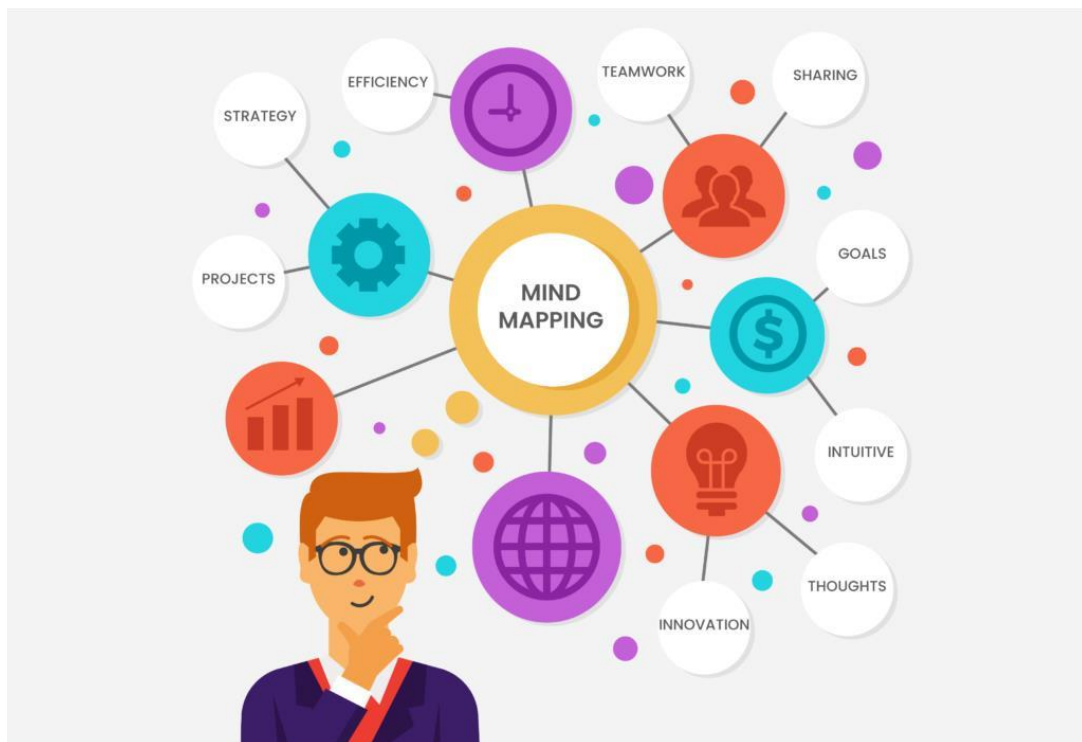
Empathy Map:

- Let's start with the basics. An *empathy map* is a design tool that is particularly useful in UX design. This method helps you step into the shoes of your target users and understand how they think, feel, and act.
- Using an empathy map, you can paint a picture of your users—and how they engage with products, services, and the world around them. You can also map out the perceptions, motivations, and behaviors that drive their decision.



Ideation & Brainstorming Map:

- down into smaller and smaller concepts. The big idea is like the trunk of a tree, each idea a branch, each sub-idea a smaller branch, and so on down until you get to the twigs and leaves. You can always follow any branch back to get to the main idea.
- We've got a full tutorial on mind mapping, **Mind Mapping 101**, so if you're not familiar with the concept, you should check it out before continuing. In today's article we're going to look at some of the best mind mapping apps available for both individual users and small teams.



RESULT

First Screen:



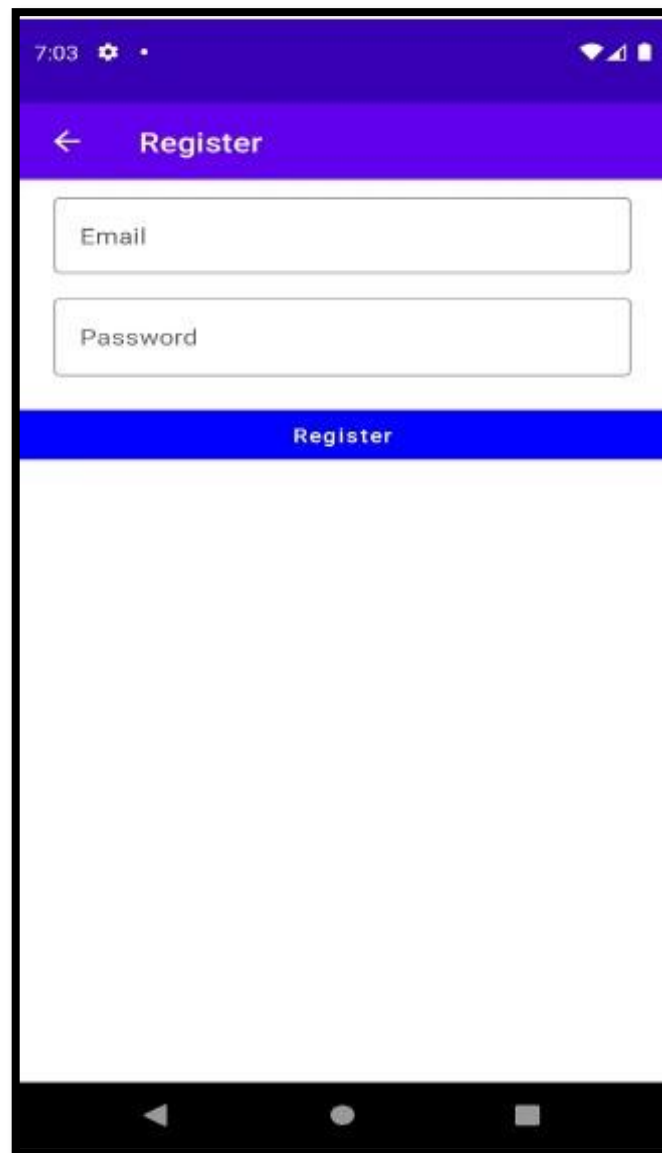
[Register](#)

[Login](#)

Login Page :



Register Page :



A mobile application registration screen. At the top, a purple header bar contains a back arrow and the text "Register". Below this, there are two white input fields with rounded corners: the first is labeled "Email" and the second is labeled "Password". A blue button with the text "Register" is positioned below the input fields. The screen is framed by a black border, and the bottom shows a black navigation bar with three white icons: a triangle, a circle, and a square. The top status bar shows the time "7:03", a gear icon, and signal/battery indicators.

7:03

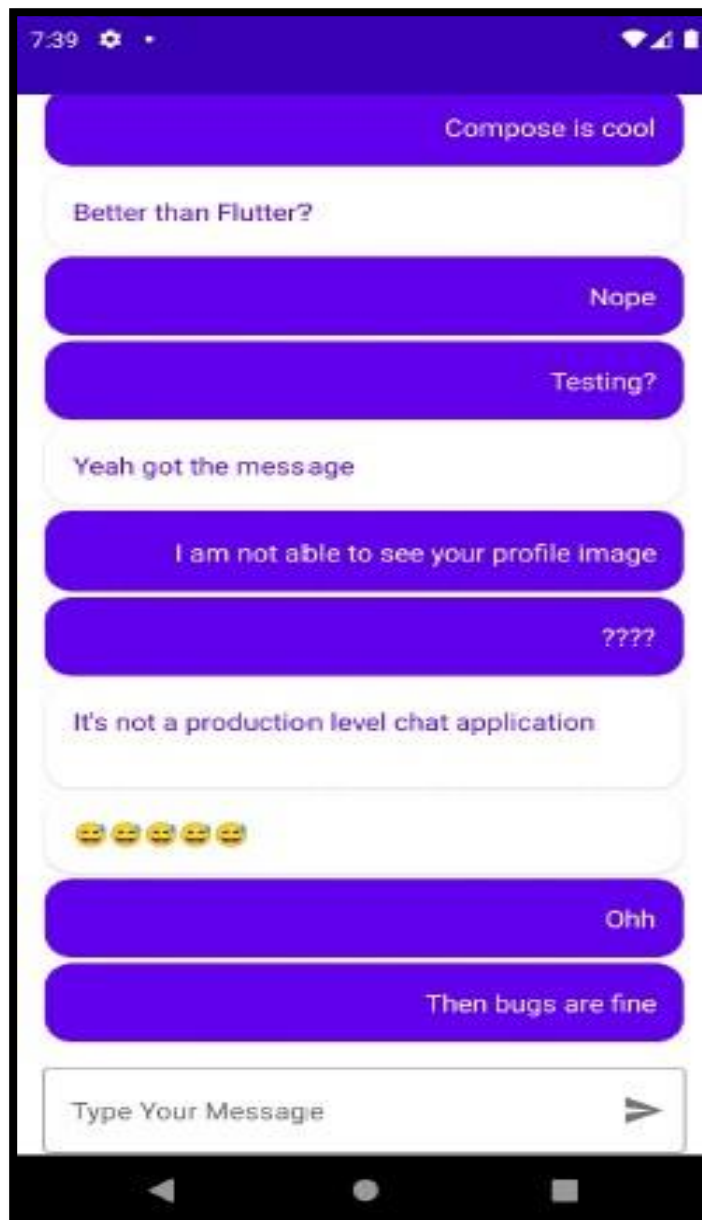
Register

Email

Password

Register

Home Screen:



ADVANTAGES &

DISADVANTAGES

ADVANTAGES:

1. Real-time text preview
2. Clear context
3. File transfer

4. Multilingual support
5. Mobile Messaging Integrations
6. 24/7 support
7. Personal
8. Data security

DISADVANTAGES:

1. The need to be online to offer support
2. Online Trolls
3. Doesn't work well for older demographics

CONCLUSION

- The main objective of the project is to develop a Secure Chat Application. I had taken a wide range of literature review in order to achieve all the tasks.

- As a result, the product has been successfully developed in terms of extendability, portability, and maintainability and tested in order to meet all requirements that are Authentication , Integrity and Confidentiality

FUTURE SCOPE

- ❖ With the knowledge I have gained by developing this application, I am confident that in the future I can make the application more effectively by adding these services.
 - Extending this application by providing Authorization service.
 - Creating Database and maintaining users.
 - Increasing the effectiveness of the application by providing Voice Chat.
 - Extending it to Web Support.

APPENDIX

Source code:

MainActivity.kt file:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat
```

```
import android.os.Bundle
```

```
import androidx.activity.ComponentActivity import
```

```
androidx.activity.compose.setContent import
```

```
com.google.firebase.FirebaseApp
```

```
/**
```

```
* The initial point of the application from where it gets started.
```

```
*
```

```
* Here we do all the initialization and other things which will be required
```

```
* thought out the application.
```

```
*/
```

```
class MainActivity : ComponentActivity() {
```

```
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
```

```
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
```

```
        FirebaseApp.initializeApp(this)        setContent {
```

```
            NavComposeApp()
```

```
        }
```

```
}  
}
```

Navigation.kt file:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.nav import  
androidx.navigation.NavHostController
```

```
import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.nav.Destination.Home import  
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.nav.Destination.Login
```

```
import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.nav.Destination.Register
```

```
/**
```

```
* A set of destination used in the whole application
```

```
*/
```

```
object Destination {
```

```
    const val AuthenticationOption = "authenticationOption"
```

```
    const val Register = "register"    const val Login = "login"
```

```
    const val Home = "home"
```

```
}
```

```
/**
```

```
* Set of routes which will be passed to different composable so that
```

```
* the routes which are required can be taken.
```

```
*/
```

```
class Action(navController: NavHostController) {  
    val home: () -> Unit = {  
        navController.navigate(Home) {  
            popUpTo(Login) { inclusive = true  
  
                }  
            popUpTo(Register) {  
inclusive = true  
  
                }  
            }  
        }  
        val login: () -> Unit = { navController.navigate(Login) }  
        val register: () -> Unit = { navController.navigate(Register)  
    }  
        val navigateBack: () -> Unit = { navController.popBackStack()  
    }  
    }
```


AuthenticationOption.kt file package

com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view

```
import androidx.compose.foundation.layout.Arrangement import
androidx.compose.foundation.layout.Column import
androidx.compose.foundation.layout.fillMaxHeight import
androidx.compose.foundation.layout.fillMaxWidth import
androidx.compose.foundation.shape.RoundedCornerShape
import androidx.compose.material.* import
androidx.compose.runtime.Composable import
androidx.compose.ui.Alignment import
androidx.compose.ui.Modifier import
androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Color

import
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.ui.theme.FlashChatTheme
```

/**

* The authentication view which will give the user an option to
choose between

* login and register.

*/

```

@Composable
fun AuthenticationView(register: () -> Unit, login: () -> Unit) {

    FlashChatTheme {

        // A surface container using the 'background' color from the
        theme

        Surface(color = MaterialTheme.colors.background) {

            Column(

                modifier = Modifier

                .fillMaxWidth()

                .fillMaxHeight(),

                horizontalAlignment = Alignment.CenterHorizontally,
                verticalArrangement = Arrangement.Bottom

            ) {

                Title(title = "🔗 Chat Connect")

                Buttons(title = "Register", onClick = register,
                backgroundColor = Color.Blue)

                Buttons(title = "Login", onClick = login, backgroundColor
                = Color.Magenta)

            }

        }

    }

}

```

Widgets.kt:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view

import androidx.compose.foundation.layout.fillMaxHeight import
androidx.compose.foundation.layout.fillMaxWidth import
androidx.compose.foundation.layout.padding import
androidx.compose.foundation.shape.RoundedCornerShape
import androidx.compose.foundation.text.KeyboardOptions import
androidx.compose.material.* import
androidx.compose.material.icons.Icons import
androidx.compose.material.icons.filled.ArrowBack import
androidx.compose.runtime.Composable import
androidx.compose.ui.Modifier import
androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Color import
androidx.compose.ui.text.font.FontWeight import
androidx.compose.ui.text.input.KeyboardType import
androidx.compose.ui.text.input.VisualTransformation import
androidx.compose.ui.text.style.TextAlign import
androidx.compose.ui.unit.dp import androidx.compose.ui.unit.sp

import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.Constants
```

```
/**
```

- * Set of widgets/views which will be used throughout the application.
- * This is used to increase the code usability.

```
*/
```

```
@Composable
```

```
fun Title(title: String) {    Text(        text =  
title,        fontSize = 30.sp,  
fontWeight = FontWeight.Bold,  
modifier = Modifier.fillMaxHeight(0.5f)  
  
    )  
}
```

```
// Different set of buttons in this page
```

```
@Composable
```

```
fun Buttons(title: String, onClick: () -> Unit, backgroundColor:  
Color) {    Button(  
  
        onClick = onClick,  
        colors = ButtonDefaults.buttonColors(  
backgroundColor = backgroundColor,  
contentColor = Color.White  
  
    ),  
  
    modifier = Modifier.fillMaxWidth(),  
    shape = RoundedCornerShape(0),
```

```
    ) {  
        Text(  
text = title  
  
        )  
    }  
}
```

```
@Composable  
fun AppBar(title: String, action: () -> Unit) {  
    TopAppBar(  
  
        title = {  
            Text(text = title)  
        },  
        navigationIcon = {  
IconButton(  
onClick = action  
  
        ) {  
            Icon(  
                imageVector = Icons.Filled.ArrowBack,  
contentDescription = "Back button"
```

```

        )
    }
}
)
}

```

@Composable

```

fun TextFormField(value: String, onChange: (String) -> Unit,
    label: String, keyboardType: KeyboardType,
    visualTransformation: VisualTransformation) {
    OutlinedTextField(
        value = value,
        onChange = onChange,
        label = {
            Text(
                label
            )
        },
        maxLines = 1,
        modifier = Modifier
            .padding(horizontal = 20.dp, vertical = 5.dp)
            .fillMaxWidth(),
        keyboardOptions = KeyboardOptions(
            keyboardType = keyboardType
        ),
    )
}

```

```

        singleLine = true,
        visualTransformation = visualTransformation
    )
}

```

@Composable

```

fun SingleMessage(message: String, isCurrentUser: Boolean) {
    Card(

```

```

        shape = RoundedCornerShape(16.dp),
        backgroundColor = if (isCurrentUser)
MaterialTheme.colors.primary else Color.White
    ) {

```

```

        Text(
            text = message,

```

```

            textAlign = if

```

```

(isCurrentUser)

```

```

            TextAlign.End

```

```

        else

```

```

            TextAlign.Start,

```

```

            modifier = Modifier.fillMaxWidth().padding(16.dp),

```

```

            color = if (! isCurrentUser) MaterialTheme.colors.primary
else Color.White

```



```
)  
}  
}
```

Home.kt file:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.home
```

```
import androidx.compose.foundation.background import  
androidx.compose.foundation.layout.* import  
androidx.compose.foundation.lazy.LazyColumn import  
androidx.compose.foundation.lazy.items import  
androidx.compose.foundation.text.KeyboardOptions import  
androidx.compose.material.* import  
androidx.compose.material.icons.Icons import  
androidx.compose.material.icons.filled.Send import  
androidx.compose.runtime.Composable import  
androidx.compose.runtime.getValue import  
androidx.compose.runtime.livedata.observeAsState import  
androidx.compose.ui.Alignment import  
androidx.compose.ui.Modifier import  
androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Color import  
androidx.compose.ui.text.input.KeyboardType import  
androidx.compose.ui.unit.dp
```

```
import androidx.lifecycle.viewmodel.compose.viewModel import
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.Constants import
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.SingleMessage
```

```
/**
```

```
* The home view which will contain all the code related to the view
  for HOME.
```

```
*
```

```
* Here we will show the list of chat messages sent by user.
```

```
* And also give an option to send a message and logout.
```

```
*/
```

```
@Composable fun
```

```
HomeView(
```

```
    homeViewModel: HomeViewModel = viewModel()
```

```
) {
```

```
    val message: String by
    homeViewModel.message.observeAsState(initial = "")
```

```
    val messages: List<Map<String, Any>> by
    homeViewModel.messages.observeAsState(
```

```
        initial = emptyList<Map<String, Any>>().toMutableList()
```

```
)
```

```

Column(
    modifier = Modifier.fillMaxSize(),

    horizontalAlignment = Alignment.CenterHorizontally,
verticalArrangement = Arrangement.Bottom

) {

    LazyColumn(
modifier = Modifier

        .fillMaxWidth()

        .weight(weight = 0.85f, fill = true),

        contentPadding = PaddingValues(horizontal = 16.dp,
vertical = 8.dp),

        verticalArrangement = Arrangement.spacedBy(4.dp),
reverseLayout = true

    ) {

        items(messages) { message ->

            val isCurrentUser =
message[Constants.IS_CURRENT_USER] as Boolean

            SingleMessage(

```

```
        message =
message[Constants.MESSAGE].toString(),
isCurrentUser = isCurrentUser

    )
}
}
OutlinedTextField(
value = message,
onValueChange = {

    homeViewModel.updateMessage(it)

},
label = {

    Text(
        "Type Your Message"
    )

},
maxLines = 1,
modifier = Modifier

    .padding(horizontal = 15.dp, vertical = 1.dp)

    .fillMaxWidth()
```

```

        .weight(weight = 0.09f, fill = true),
keyboardOptions = KeyboardOptions(
keyboardType = KeyboardType.Text

    ),
    singleLine = true,
trailingIcon = {
IconButton(
onClick = {
homeViewModel.addMessag
e()

        }
    ) {
        Icon(
            imageVector = Icons.Default.Send,
contentDescription = "Send Button"

        )
    }
}
)
}
}

```

HomeViewModel class:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.home

import android.util.Log import
androidx.lifecycle.LiveData import
androidx.lifecycle.MutableLiveData import
androidx.lifecycle.ViewModel import
com.google.firebase.auth.ktx.auth import
com.google.firebase.firestore.ktx.firestore import
com.google.firebase.ktx.Firebase
import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.Constants import
java.lang.IllegalArgumentException

/**
 * Home view model which will handle all the logic related to
 * HomeView
 */
class HomeViewModel : ViewModel() {
    init {

        getMessages()

    }
}
```

```
private val _message = MutableLiveData("")  
val message: LiveData<String> = _message
```

```
private var _messages =  
MutableLiveData(emptyList<Map<String, Any>>().toMutableList())  
  
val messages: LiveData<MutableList<Map<String, Any>>> =  
_messages
```

```
/**  
 * Update the message value as user types  
 */  
  
fun updateMessage(message: String) {
```

```

        _message.value = message
    }

    /**
     * Send message
     */
    fun addMessage() {
        val message: String = _message.value ?: throw
        IllegalArgumentException("message empty") if
        (message.isNotEmpty()) {

        Firebase.firestore.collection(Constants.MESSAGES).document().s
        et(

            hashMapOf(

                Constants.MESSAGE to message,

                Constants.SENT_BY to
                Firebase.auth.currentUser?.uid,

                Constants.SENT_ON to System.currentTimeMillis()

            )

        ).addOnSuccessListener {

            _message.value = ""

        }

    }

```



```

}

/**
 * Get the messages
 */
private fun getMessages() {
    Firebase.firestore.collection(Constants.MESSAGES)
        .orderBy(Constants.SENT_ON)
.addSnapshotListener { value, e ->

    if (e != null) {
        Log.w(Constants.TAG, "Listen failed.", e)
return @addSnapshotListener

    }

    val list = emptyList<Map<String, Any>>().toMutableList()

    if (value != null) {
for (doc in value) {
val data = doc.data

        data[Constants.IS_CURRENT_USER] =

```

```
        Firebase.auth.currentUser?.uid.toString() ==  
data[Constants.SENT_BY].toString()
```

```
        list.add(data)  
    }  
}
```

```
    updateMessages(list)
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
/**
```

```
 * Update the list after getting the details from firestore
```

```
*/
```

```
private fun updateMessages(list: MutableList<Map<String,  
Any>>) {
```

```
    _messages.value = list.asReversed()
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

Login.kt file:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.login
```

```
import androidx.compose.foundation.layout.*
```

```
import androidx.compose.material.CircularProgressIndicator
import androidx.compose.runtime.Composable import
import androidx.compose.runtime.getValue import
import androidx.compose.runtime.livedata.observeAsState import
import androidx.compose.ui.Alignment import
import androidx.compose.ui.Modifier import
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Color import
import androidx.compose.ui.text.input.KeyboardType

import
import androidx.compose.ui.text.input.PasswordVisualTransformation
import androidx.compose.ui.text.input.VisualTransformation
import androidx.compose.ui.unit.dp

import androidx.lifecycle.viewmodel.compose.viewModel import
import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.Appbar import
import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.Buttons import
import com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.TextFormField
```

```
/**
```

```
* The login view which will help the user to authenticate themselves
  and go to the
```

```
* home screen to show and send messages to others.
```

```
*/
```

```
@Composable fun
```

```
LoginView(
```

```
home: () -> Unit,
```

```
back: () -> Unit,
```

```
loginViewModel: LoginViewModel = viewModel()

) {

    val email: String by loginViewModel.email.observeAsState("")

    val password: String by
loginViewModel.password.observeAsState("")

    val loading: Boolean by
loginViewModel.loading.observeAsState(initial = false)

    Box(

        contentAlignment = Alignment.Center,
modifier = Modifier.fillMaxSize()

    ) {

        if (loading) {

            CircularProgressIndicator()

        }

        Column(

            modifier = Modifier.fillMaxSize(),

            horizontalAlignment = Alignment.CenterHorizontally,
verticalArrangement = Arrangement.Top

        ) {
```

```
AppBar(  
  title = "Login",  
  action = back      )  
  
  TextFormField(  
    value = email,  
  
    onChange = { loginViewModel.updateEmail(it) },  
    label = "Email",  
  
    keyboardType = TextInputType.Email,  
    visualTransformation = VisualTransformation.None  
  )  
  TextFormField(  
    value = password,  
  
    onChange = { loginViewModel.updatePassword(it)  
  },  
    label = "Password",  
    keyboardType = TextInputType.Password,  
    visualTransformation = PasswordVisualTransformation()  
  )  
  Spacer(modifier = Modifier.height(20.dp))  
Buttons(      title = "Login",
```

```
        onClick = { loginViewModel.loginUser(home = home) },
        backgroundColor = Color.Magenta
    )
}
}
```

LoginViewModel class:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.login
```

```
import androidx.lifecycle.LiveData import
import androidx.lifecycle.MutableLiveData import
import androidx.lifecycle.ViewModel import
import com.google.firebase.auth.FirebaseAuth import
import com.google.firebase.auth.ktx.auth import
import com.google.firebase.ktx.Firebase import
import java.lang.IllegalArgumentException
```

```
/**
 * View model for the login view.
 */
```

```
class LoginViewModel : ViewModel() {    private
val auth: FirebaseAuth = Firebase.auth
```

```
    private val _email = MutableLiveData("")
val email: LiveData<String> = _email
private val _password = MutableLiveData("")
val password: LiveData<String> = _password
```

```
    private val _loading = MutableLiveData(false)
val loading: LiveData<Boolean> = _loading
```

```
// Update email
```

```
fun updateEmail(newEmail: String) {
    _email.value = newEmail
}
```

```
// Update password
```

```
fun updatePassword(newPassword: String) {
    _password.value = newPassword
}
```



```
// Register user    fun
loginUser(home: () -> Unit) {        if
(_loading.value == false) {

    val email: String = _email.value ?: throw
    IllegalArgumentException("email expected")

    val password: String =
```

```
        _password.value ?: throw  
        IllegalArgumentException("password expected")
```

```
        _loading.value = true
```

```
        auth.signInWithEmailAndPassword(email, password)
```

```
        .addOnCompleteListener {
```

```
        if (it.isSuccessful) {
```

```
        home()
```

```
        }
```

```
        _loading.value = false
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

Register.kt file package

```
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.register
```

```
import androidx.compose.foundation.layout.*
```

```
import androidx.compose.material.CircularProgressIndicator
```

```
import androidx.compose.runtime.Composable import
```

```
androidx.compose.runtime.getValue import
```

```
androidx.compose.runtime.livedata.observeAsState import
androidx.compose.ui.Alignment import
androidx.compose.ui.Modifier import
androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Color import
androidx.compose.ui.text.input.KeyboardType

import
androidx.compose.ui.text.input.PasswordVisualTransformation
import androidx.compose.ui.text.input.VisualTransformation import
androidx.compose.ui.unit.dp

import androidx.lifecycle.viewmodel.compose.viewModel import
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.Appbar import
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.Buttons import
com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.TextFormField
```

```
/**
```

```
*    The Register view which will be helpful for the user to register
themselves into
```

```
*    our database and go to the home screen to see and send
messages.
```

```
*/
```

```
@Composable
```

```
fun RegisterView(
    home: () -> Unit,
    back: () -> Unit,
    registerViewModel:
    RegisterViewModel =
    viewModel()

) {
    val email: String by registerViewModel.email.observeAsState("")
    val password: String by
    registerViewModel.password.observeAsState("")
    val loading: Boolean by
    registerViewModel.loading.observeAsState(initial = false)

    Box(
        contentAlignment = Alignment.Center,
        modifier = Modifier.fillMaxSize()

    ) {
        if (loading) {
            CircularProgressIndicator()
        }
        Column(
            modifier = Modifier.fillMaxSize(),
```

```
        horizontalAlignment = Alignment.CenterHorizontally,  
verticalArrangement = Arrangement.Top
```

```
) {
```

```
    AppBar(  
        title = "Register",  
        action = back
```

```

    )
    TextFormField(
value = email,

        onChange = { registerViewModel.updateEmail(it)
},
        label = "Email",

        keyboardType = TextInputType.Email,
visualTransformation = VisualTransformation.None

    )
    TextFormField(
value = password,

        onChange = {
registerViewModel.updatePassword(it) },
label = "Password",

        keyboardType = TextInputType.Password,
        visualTransformation = PasswordVisualTransformation()
    )
    Spacer(modifier = Modifier.height(20.dp))
Buttons(

        title = "Register",

```

```
        onClick = { registerViewModel.registerUser(home =
home) },
        backgroundColor = Color.Blue
    )
}
}
```

RegisterViewModel class:

```
package com.project.pradyotprakash.flashchat.view.register
```

```
import androidx.lifecycle.LiveData import
androidx.lifecycle.MutableLiveData import
androidx.lifecycle.ViewModel import
com.google.firebase.auth.FirebaseAuth import
com.google.firebase.auth.ktx.auth import
com.google.firebase.ktx.Firebase import
java.lang.IllegalArgumentException
```

```
/**
```

```
 * View model for the login view.
```

```
*/
```

```
class RegisterViewModel : ViewModel() {  
    private val auth: FirebaseAuth = Firebase.auth  
  
    private val _email = MutableLiveData("")  
    val email: LiveData<String> = _email  
    private val _password = MutableLiveData("")  
    val password: LiveData<String> = _password  
  
    private val _loading = MutableLiveData(false)  
    val loading: LiveData<Boolean> = _loading  
  
    // Update email  
    fun updateEmail(newEmail: String) {  
        _email.value = newEmail  
    }  
  
    // Update password  
    fun updatePassword(newPassword: String) {  
        _password.value = newPassword  
    }  
}
```



```
// Register user

fun registerUser(home: () -> Unit) {
if (_loading.value == false) {

    val email: String = _email.value ?: throw
    IllegalArgumentException("email expected")

    val password: String =
```

```
        _password.value ?: throw  
        IllegalArgumentException("password expected")
```

```
        _loading.value = true
```

```
        auth.createUserWithEmailAndPassword(email, password)
```

```
        .addOnCompleteListener {
```

```
            if (it.isSuccessful) {
```

```
                home()
```

```
            }
```

```
            _loading.value = false
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

