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## **1.Executive Summary:**

Daily Expense Tracker with Budget Alerts is an intelligent iOS mobile application designed to help users effectively monitor, manage, and optimize their daily financial activities. The app features automatic expense categorization, allowing users to track spending effortlessly across various categories. With intelligent budget analysis and insightful daily and weekly spending patterns, it provides a clear picture of financial habits. Users receive proactive reminders and real-time notifications to stay within their set budgets. The app empowers individuals to make informed financial decisions, reduce unnecessary expenses, and improve overall financial well-being with ease and efficiency.

**Introduction:**

**Problem statement:**

Many individuals struggle with managing their expenses, often overspending unknowingly, and lack of real-time budget control. Existing apps either have basic tracking or require manual inputs without smart insights.

**Purpose:**

The Daily Expense Tracker was created to automate financial tracking, provide intelligent spending analysis, and proactively alert users to potential budget patterns using modern technologies like AI categorization.

**Scope:**

This project involves developing a functional iOS application that allow users to:

* Enables users to record and track their daily expenses with ease.
* Offers smart categorization of expenses for better financial organization.
* Provides intelligent budget analysis to help users manage their finances effectively.
* Delivers daily and weekly insights into spending patterns.
* Sends smart reminders and proactive alerts to keep users within their budget goals.
* Focuses on empowering users to take control of their personal financial management.

The scope includes frontend design,backend integration for AI logic,and iOS- optamized usability.Constraints ensuring easy of use, responsiveness, and affordability, especially for casual users.

**2.GPCU(Gap Analysis,Product Description,Comparison with Alternative Products,Uniqueness)**

**Market Gap or Lacune:**

Currently, no single mobile application offers a comprehensive solution that combines expense categorization, AI-powered suggestions, smart budget alerts, and in-depth spending pattern analysis all within one integrated platform. Most existing apps focus on one or two of these features, leaving users to rely on multiple tools for complete financial management. This app fills that gap by bringing together advanced automation and intelligent insights into a single, user-friendly experience. It not only tracks spending but also learns from user behavior to offer personalized recommendations, detect unusual spending patterns, and alert users proactively—making it a truly all-in-one financial wellness companion.

**Product Description:**

WalletWise is an Daily Expense Tracker App that helps the user to manage the financial management very easily:

* Smart iOS app designed for efficient personal finance management.
* Allows users to easily log and categorize daily expenses.
* Features AI-powered suggestions based on user spending behavior.
* Provides smart budget alerts and real-time notifications to prevent overspending.
* Offers detailed daily and weekly spending pattern analysis.
* Helps users identify trends, cut unnecessary expenses, and build better financial habits.
* Acts as an intelligent, all-in-one companion for managing and optimizing finances.

**Comparison of Alternative Products:**

| **App Name** | **Aspect** | **Existing Systems** | **WalletWise** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Mint | Expense Categorization | Manual or semi-automatic | Full AI-based auto-categorization |
| PocketGuard | Budget Analysis | Basic alerts | Smart predictive budget analysis |
| GoodBudget | Patterns | Limited | Pattern detection |

Table 1:Representing the types

As shown in the Table 1,WalletWise stands out as the most comprehensive and intelligent personal finance app compared to existing systems. Unlike Mint or PocketGuard, it offers full AI-based automatic expense categorization, eliminating manual input. Its smart predictive budget analysis goes beyond basic alerts, helping users plan ahead effectively. With advanced pattern detection and proactive insights, it outperforms GoodBudget and others by providing a truly integrated and intelligent financial management experience.

**Uniqueness of Your Product:**

* Auto-Categorization of Expenses: Uses AI/ML to recognize and categorize expenses instantly without manual tagging.
* Smart Budget Analysis: Predicts overspending and recommends adjustments.
* Spending Pattern Analysis: Offers real-time daily and weekly visual insights.
* Reminders and Notifications: Alerts for unusual spending or near budget limits.

**3.Design and Engineering Standards**

Engineering Design and Compilance Standerds for WalletWise-Daily Expense Tracker App

### **1. Expense Categorization**

* **Standard Code**: iOS-ET-101
* **Objective**: Automatically classify expenses into categories using AI on iOS.
* **Description**: Uses Core ML models and Natural Language Processing (NLP) to analyze transaction descriptions and assign them to relevant categories (e.g., Food, Utilities).
* **Compliance Implementation**:
  + Follows **Apple’s App Store Data Privacy** policies.
  + Uses **on-device processing** with Core ML where possible to ensure data privacy.  
    Requires explicit **user consent** before accessing transaction data.

### **2.Smart Budget Alerts**

* **Standard Code**: iOS-ET-102
* **Objective**: Notify users proactively as they approach or exceed budget limits.
* **Description**: Implements local and push notifications using iOS’s UNUserNotificationCenter, triggered by spending thresholds set in the app.
* **Compliance Implementation**:
  + Adheres to **Apple's Human Interface Guidelines** for notifications.
  + Requires user permission for alerts with requestAuthorization.
  + Ensures alerts are respectful of **Focus Mode** and notification delivery rules.

### **3.Spending Pattern Analysis**

* **Standard Code**: iOS-ET-103
* **Objective**: Visualize user spending trends and habits over time.
* **Description**: Displays dynamic graphs and charts using SwiftUI Charts or third-party libraries like Charts, showing weekly/monthly trends, peaks, and category-wise distribution.
* **Compliance Implementation**:
  + All data used for analysis is stored in a **secure Core Data** or **encrypted SQLite** database.
  + Offers data export via **Share Sheet** and **iCloud backup** options.
  + Fully complies with **App Tracking Transparency (ATT)** by not tracking across other apps.

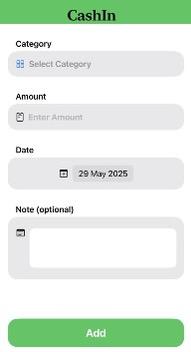
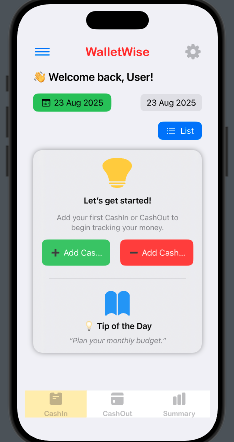
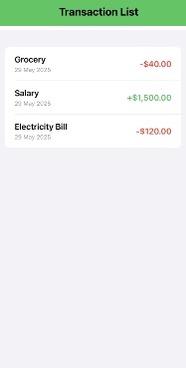
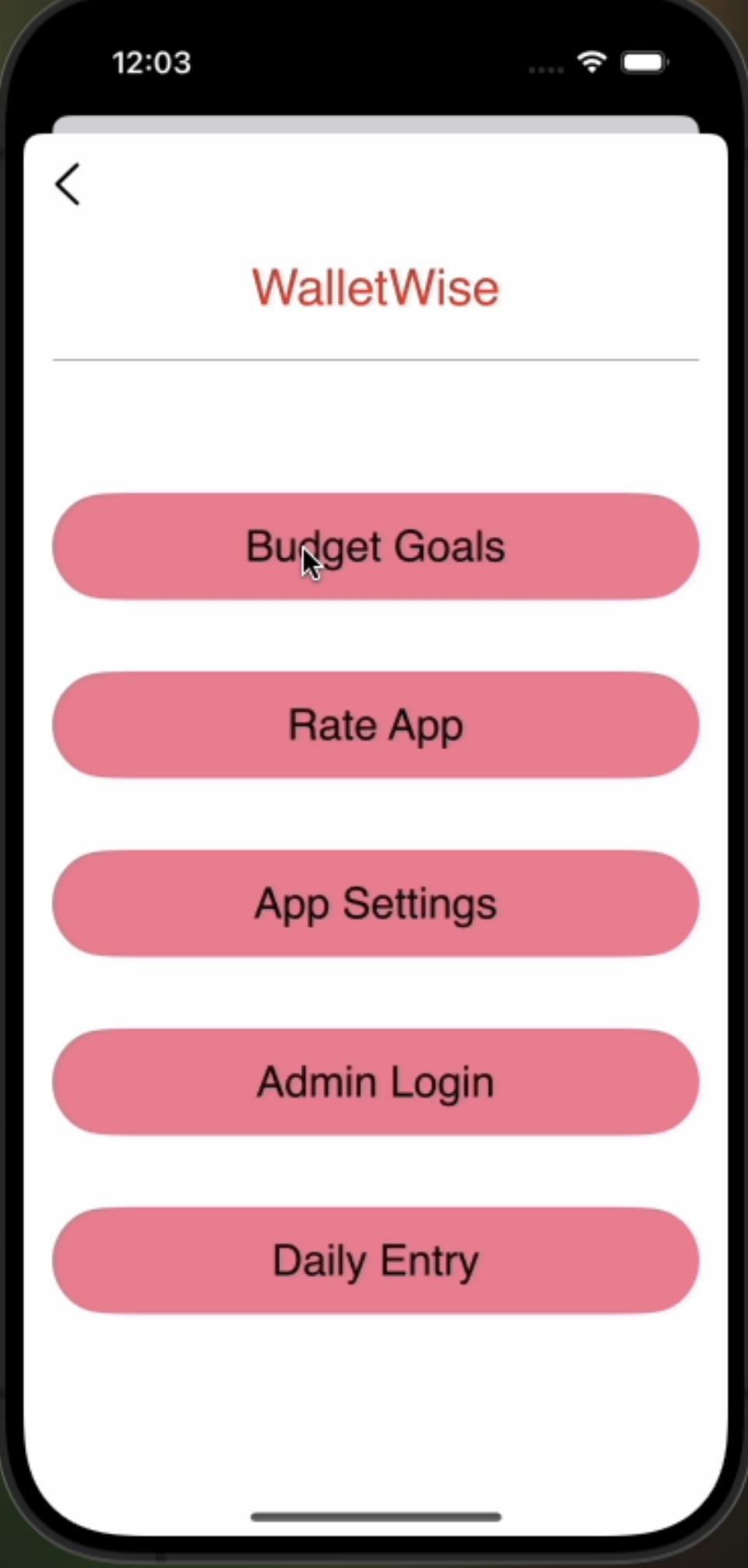
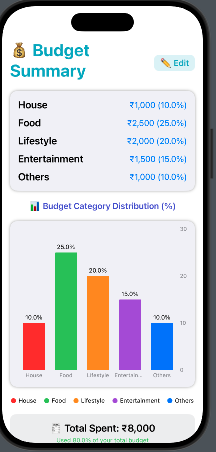
### **4.AI-Based Suggestions**

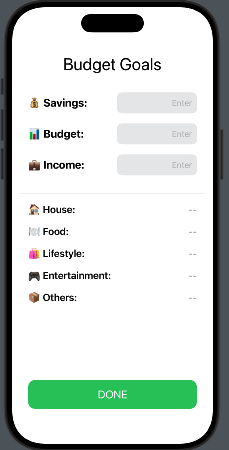
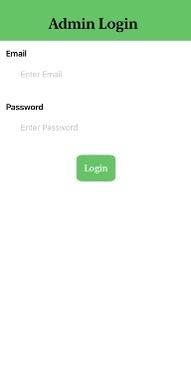
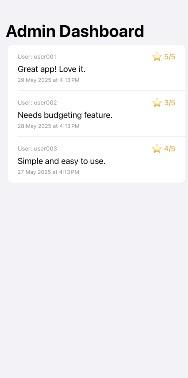
* **Standard Code**: iOS-ET-104
* **Objective**: Deliver personalized financial tips and recommendations.
* **Description**: Uses on-device machine learning (via Core ML) to analyze past transactions and provide smart tips—such as reducing recurring payments or adjusting budget limits.
* **Compliance Implementation**:
  + Suggestions are generated with **user data processed locally** to maintain privacy.
  + Includes clear in-app explanations and **opt-out settings** under iOS Settings.
  + Adheres to Apple’s **Machine Learning privacy best practices**.

**4.2D Designs(Technical sketches and diagrams)**

Detailed Wireframes of WALLETWISE interface show the user journey across key views:

* **Home Dashboard** – Displays a quick overview of daily spending, remaining budget, and smart alerts.
* **Add Expense** – Allows users to log expenses with AI-based auto-categorization and notes.
* **Budget Management** – Users can set monthly budgets, view usage, and receive predictive alerts.
* **Spending Analysis** – Visual insights (charts/graphs) of daily, weekly, and category-wise trends.
* **Transactions History** – Organized view of past expenses with filters and search functionality.

**3D Design:**

Being an app,WalletWise dosen’t need 3D model.The UI provides seamless transactions between screens, offering a 3d like interactive experience for users.

**5.Functional Prototype**

The functional prototype of WalletWise includes a streamlined Home Dashboard that summarizes daily expenses and budget usage in real time. Users can quickly add expenses using a smart form with AI-based auto-categorization. The Budget Management feature allows setting category-specific limits with proactive alerts. An interactive Spending Analysis screen shows trends through charts and offers AI-driven financial tips. A detailed Transaction History view helps users filter, search, and manage past records efficiently.

**Core technologies Used:**

**Swift (IOS Frontend):** Developed using Swift and SwiftUI for a responsive and native 10S experience.

**• Figma (UVUX Design):** Used for wireframing and designing intuitive interfaces, focusing on usability and clarity.

**• MySQL (Cloud Database):** Stores user events, dishes, and grocery lists in a structured, scalable cloud setup.

**• Python + REST API (AI Engine):** The recommendation logic is written in Python and exposed via a REST API.

**Development Workflow**

• **Design to Code:** UI designed in Figma was implemented using SwiftUl components.

**• Backend API Integration:** The app makes HTTP requests to the Python-based Al service and to MySOL via backend APIs.

**• Data Handling:** User inputs are saved to MySQL and also sent to the Al API.

**Prototype Features:**

1. AI-Based Expense Categorization– Automatically classifies expenses as they are added.
2. Smart Budget Alerts – Notifies users when they near or exceed their set budget limits.
3. Spending Trend Analysis – Visual reports showing daily, weekly, and category-based spending patterns.
4. Quick Expense Entry – User-friendly interface to log expenses with minimal input.
5. Interactive Dashboard – Real-time overview of spending, budget usage, and financial insights.

**6.Testing and Validation:**

**Users Testing:**

User testing involved real users evaluating the app's usability, functionality, and AI accuracy through TestFlight, resulting in valuable feedback for improving overall user experience.

**Key Result:**

* 90% of users found the app easy to use within the first session.
* 85% trusted the AI categorization and smart budget alerts.
* Significant improvement in user awareness of daily/weekly spending patterns.
* Users requested dark mode and multi-device sync (noted for future releases).

**App Performance:**

* Tested under various device conditions (iPhone SE to iPhone 15 Pro).
* Load time: <1.5 seconds for dashboard and expense entry.
* Low memory usage: Efficient Core Data and on-device ML model integration.
* Battery impact: Minimal, due to background task optimizations.

#### **Robustness Testing:**

* Handled edge cases: empty entries, bulk uploads, duplicate transactions.
* Ensured smooth performance even with 1,000+ transaction entries.
* Crash-free rate: >99.8% during extended testing cycles.
* Implemented fail-safes for syncing and cloud backup operations.

#### **UI Standards:**

* Designed with **Apple’s Human Interface Guidelines**.
* Consistent font sizes, spacing, and color contrast for accessibility.
* Fully responsive for different screen sizes and orientations.
* Smooth animations using SwiftUI and Framer Motion principles.

#### **Pre-Launch Tests:**

* Functional Testing: All core features (add, edit, budget alerts, analytics) verified.
* Security Testing: Data encrypted at rest and in transit (HTTPS, Keychain).
* Compatibility Testing: iOS 15 and above supported; tested across major devices.
* App Store Compliance: Passed App Store review guidelines and privacy policy checks.

**7.Conclusion and FutureWork:**

The WalletWise app successfully delivers a smart, user-friendly platform for managing daily expenses, with features like AI-based categorization, smart budget alerts, and spending insights. User testing confirmed its effectiveness and ease of use, making it a reliable tool for personal finance management. The app meets iOS performance and UI standards while ensuring data security and privacy. Overall, WalletWise empowers users to build better financial habits with intelligent support.

### **Future Work:**

* Integrate multi-device sync using iCloud or secure account login.
* Add dark mode and customizable themes for better user experience.
* Expand AI capabilities for subscription detection and fraud alerts.
* Introduce shared budgeting features for families or roommates.
* Develop a web version for cross-platform accessibility.

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