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1 Abstract

This report gives a brief description on the process of building the Spandan app by Phani Tirthala (IMT2017031), Bishal Pandia (IMT2017010) and Tanishq Jaswani (IMT2018077). The spandan app is nothing but a tournament tracker app that allows users to access any of the on-going tournaments and matches that are happening. It allows the users to be notified about a match that they are interested in. This report also explains how DevOps toolchain was used to deploy the application.

Devops was used extensively to develop features, test, build and deploy the application. We have used flutter for the front end of the app, "" for communicating with the database and "" for the database. We have used Git for version control and Jenkin for Continuous Integration. For continuous deployment and delivery we have used Docker and Ansible.

2 Introduction

2.1 Problem Statement

Let us assume that you were in a sports tournament where you or your friends were participating in. Considering that the tournament would consist of more than one sport's games happening at once, you would like to know when you a particular team's game is going to happen or be notified on when the game would begin. If there's a particular game that you were not able to attend but would like to see the score rather than calling some friend, then wouldn't it be better if you could access that all through the help of just of one app.

Presenting to you the Spandan app, this app allows users to view what all matches are happening in a particular tournament and also the scores of on-going or past matches. This app also notifies users on a game that they would interested in as well.

2.2 Features

The features include

 User authorization that allows players of the teams that are interested in the tournament to be notified about anything regarding their game in hindsight.

- Live score updates of any game for any user to access through the app.
- Notifications to the players as well as users regarding any match they are interested in, any updates for the tournament.

2.3 System Configuration

• GNOME: 3.28.2

• OS Type : 64-bit

2.3.1 Operating System

• Ubuntu 18.04.4 LTS

2.3.2 CPU and RAM

• RAM: 7.7 GiB

• CPU : Intel® CoreTM i5-8250U CPU @ 1.60GHz × 8

2.3.3 Languages and Tools

- Flutter
- PHP
- MySQL

2.3.4 DevOps Tools

• Git: Source Control

• Build: Flutter/Gradle

• Jenkins: Continuous Integration

• Docker: Containerization

• Continuous Deployment: Ansible

• Continuous Monitoring: ELK Stack

3 Application

3.1 User Stories

- As a user, I would like to have access to the scores of the current matches.
- As a user, I would like to know the matches that are going on in all the sports of a particular tournament.
- As a user, I would like to know the score of the games that have already gotten over.
- As a user, I would like to be able to sign up into the application to view the results of the tournament.
- As a user, I would like to be able to be able to sign with my credentials being saved.
- As a user, I would like to be able to change my password in case I have forgotten my previous one.

3.2 Use Case Diagram

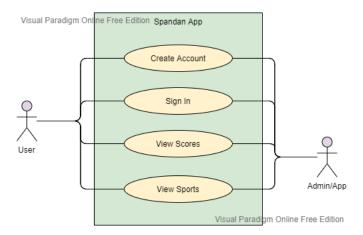


Figure 1: User Stories

3.3 UI

The following are the different screen you encounter while using the application:

3.3.1 Login Screen

• Here we can see the initial login page of the application that contains a text box for email id and password, followed by a link that directs them to a sign up page in case they do not have an account. [2]

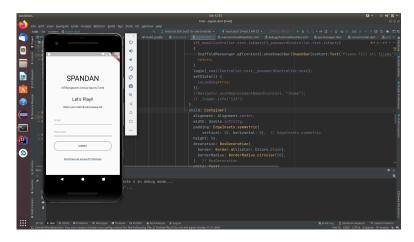


Figure 2: Login Screen

• After entering the details the login screen would would throw an error in case the user login with the incorrect credentials. [3]

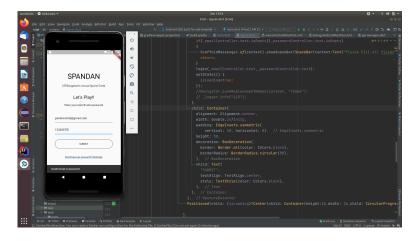


Figure 3: Invalid Login

• Once a user finishes signing up, they will be redirected to the login screen with a message saying that their registration was successful. [4]

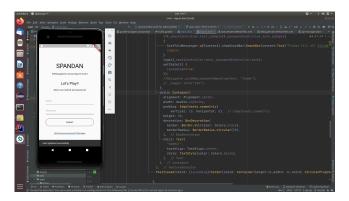


Figure 4: After Registering

3.3.2 Sign Up Screen

• In the sign up screen the user has to enter their details for which their account would be created and the credentials to be stored. ^[5] [6]

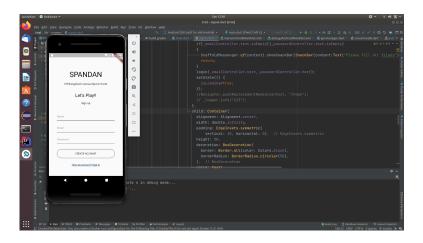


Figure 5: Sign Up Screen

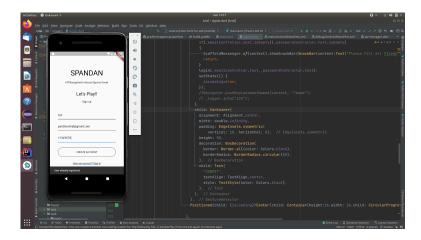


Figure 6: Example for Sign Up

3.3.3 Home Screen

• Here we can see the current score of an ongoing match and the results of a match that has already been completed. ^[7]

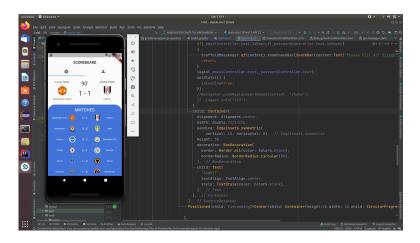


Figure 7: Home Screen

 \bullet Here we can switch between sports/tournaments to see different scores of the matches pertaining to that sport/tournament. $^{[8]}$

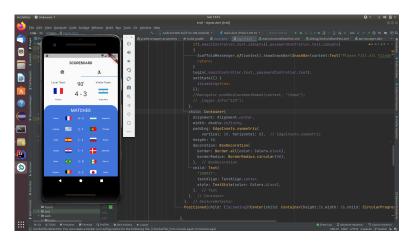


Figure 8: Switching between Sports

4 Software Development Life Cycle

4.1 Flutter - Frontend

Flutter is an open-source mobile SDK developer can use to build native-looking Android and iOS applications from the same code base. Widgets are the key of flutter, with widgets users build the entire UI. It provides developers with its own ready-made widgets that look native to Android or iOS apps, and also allows developers to make their own widgets.

The following are benefits we found while using Flutter:

- Flutter is a cross-platform application (same codebase for both andriod and iOs) which saves both time and money.
- Flutter offers outstanding performance due to its widgets and the Dart programming language.
- Flutter being open-source makes it easier to find help and necessary advice while developing an application.

The link here gives the instructions to install Flutter on your device. SpandanApp has its core built from flutter and dart packages which are very easy-to-use and are very handy. SpandanApp comprises of three screens - signup, signin, home. Such a division was made entirely on the basis of the distinct functionalities that each of the screens offer. Signup screen offers the functionality of creating a new user whereas the signin screen provides the functionality to verify the login credentials entered and to identify a user as a verified user. Thirdly, the home screen provides the functionality of getting real-time updates of live matches and also to display the scorelines of recent matches that have taken place. To achieve this, SpandanApp uses a Restful API from an API provider API-Sports to get real-time data of the matches. An api-manager.dart was programmed to handle the API requests, to manage the API tokens & credentials, and to store the data received in a usable format.

Separate modules were programmed for different features present on the home screen, for e.g - goalstat.dart was programmed to display the live updates of an ongoing match along with features of displaying the timer, identifying the home team & away team. Similarly, matchstat.dart was written to handle the features of displaying the team names, team logos. matchtile.dart & pagebody.dart was used to display to scorelines of past matches in an attractive and appealing format.

4.2 PHP - Backend

PHP is an acronym for **Hypertext Preprocessor**. PHP is a server side scripting language that is embedded in HTML. It is used to manage dynamic content, databases, session tracking, even build entire e-commerce sites. In our project SpandanApp, we have used PHP as a backend tool to communicate between the MySQL database and the flutter app using GET, POST commands. To set-up an **un-interrupted connection** between the database and the app, a file named mysqli_connect.php has been written, to handle **login** verification requests, a separate login.php file has been written which basically takes in the inputs (e-mail & password) entered by the user and converts the input into JSON format and then checks the authenticity of the entered credentials by sending a query onto the MySQL database. Based on the response sent by the MySQL DB, the user is allowed or denied the access. Similarly for sign-up requests made on the app, a separate registration.php file is written which essentially inserts credentials and other profile parameters into the database. Below are the snippets of the mentioned files -

Listing 1: mysqli_connect.php

```
1 <?php
2 require_once('./mysqli_connect.php');
3 $keys=array('email','password');
4 #$keys = file_get_contents('php://input');
6 for ($i = 0; $i < count($keys); $i++){</pre>
     if(!isset($_POST[$keys[$i]]))
          $response['error'] = true;
          $response['message'] = 'Required Filed Missed';
10
11
          echo json_encode($response);
12
          return;
13
14 }
#$obj = json_decode($json,true);
16 $email=$_POST['email'];
$password=$_POST['password'];
18 #echo $email;
20 $stmt = $con->prepare("SELECT * FROM user_registration WHERE
    email = ? AND password = ?");
  $stmt->bind_param("ss", $email, $password);
$stmt->execute();
$stmt->store_result();
```

```
24
  if ($stmt->num_rows > 0)
25
           $stmt->bind_result( $id, $name, $email,$password);
26
27
      $stmt ->fetch();
      $user = array(
29
      'id'=>$id,
30
      'name'=>$name,
31
      'password'=>$password,
32
      'email'=>$email
33
          );
34
35
      $stmt ->close();
36
      $response['error'] = false;
37
      $response['message'] = 'User Logged In';
38
      $response['data'] = $user;
39
40
      }
41
      else
42
           $response['error'] = true;
43
         $response['message'] = 'Invalid email or password';
44
        $stmt->close();
45
    }
46
47 echo json_encode($response);
48
49 ?>
```

Listing 2: login.php

```
1 <?php
2 require_once('./mysqli_connect.php');
3 $keys=array('name','email','password');
4 //$keys=array('name','mobile','password','type');
5 for ($i = 0; $i < count($keys); $i++){</pre>
    if(!isset($_POST[$keys[$i]]))
8
     {
        $response['error'] = true;
9
        $response['message'] = 'Required Filed Missed';
10
        echo json_encode($response);
11
12
        return;
13
14
15 }
$password=$_POST['password'];
17 $email=$_POST['email'];
18 $name=$_POST['name'];
19 //checking if the user is already exist with this email
20 //as the email should be unique for every user
```

```
21
22 if (isset($con)) {
      $stmt = $con->prepare("SELECT id FROM user_registration
      WHERE email = ? ");
24 }
25 $stmt->bind_param("s", $email);
26 $stmt->execute();
27 $stmt->store_result();
^{29} //if the user already exist in the database
30 if($stmt->num_rows > 0){
    $response['error'] = true;
32
    $response['message'] = 'User already registered';
33
    $stmt ->close();
34
35 }
36 else
37 {
    #$user = array();
    //if user is new creating an insert query
39
    $stmt = $con->prepare("INSERT INTO user_registration ( name,
40
     email, password) VALUES (?,?, ?)");
    $stmt->bind_param("sss", $name, $email, $password);
41
42
    //if the user is successfully added to the database
43
44
    if($stmt->execute()){
45
      //fetching the user back
46
      $stmt = $con->prepare("SELECT * FROM user_registration
47
      WHERE email = ?");
48
      $stmt->bind_param("s", $email);
      $stmt ->execute();
49
      $stmt->bind_result($id, $name, $email, $password);
50
      $stmt->fetch();
51
52
      $user= array(
53
        'id'=>$id,
54
        'name'=>$name,
55
56
        'email'=>$email,
57
        'password'=>$password
          );
58
59
      $stmt ->close();
60
          //adding the user data in response
      $response['error'] = false;
62
      $response['message'] = 'User registered successfully';
      $response['data'] = $user;
64
      }
65
66 }
```

```
67 echo json_encode($response);
68 ?>
```

Listing 3: registration.php

4.3 MySQL - Database

MySQL is a widely used open-source relational database management system (RDBMS). The MySQL development process focuses on offering a very efficient implementation of the features most people need. This means that MySQL still has fewer features than its chief open source competitor, PostgreSQL, or the commercial database engines. It uses a standard form of the well-known SQL data language. It works on many operating systems and works with many languages including PHP.

In our project SpandanApp, we have chosen MySQL as our data management tool because of its easy to use interface and keeping in mind its compatibility with our backend tool(PHP). Our database mainly comprises of a table named *user_registration* which essentially handles all the sign-up & sign-in requests. Below is the snapshot of the same -

```
Commands end with; or
Server version: 8.0.23 MySQL Community Server - GPL
Copyright (c) 2000, 2021, Oracle and/or its affiliates.
Oracle is a registered trademark of Oracle Corporation and/or its
affiliates. Other names may be trademarks of their respective
Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.
mysql> use Spandan_db;
Reading table information for completion of table and column names
You can turn off this feature to get a quicker startup with -A
Database changed
mysql> select * from user_registration;
                          | email
  Id | name
                                                        password
        bishal
                            pandiavishal@gmail.com | 123456
        phani
                            abc@gmail.com
xyz@gmail.com
dummy@gmail.com
                                                          12345678
                                                          1234567
        tanishq
                                                          12345678
        dummy
                            pqrst@gmail.com
                                                          12345678
       iiitb | iiitb@gmail.com
spandan spoc 1 | iiitbspoc@gmail.com
                                                          123456789
                                                         spandan123
  rows in set (0.17 sec)
 ıysql> 🗌
```

Figure 9: User Registration table in MySQL DB

4.4 Git - Source Control Management

Git is a free and open source distributed version control system designed to handle everything from small to very large projects with speed and efficiency. Version control implies that it stores all versions and will come in handy for tracing back a particular version.

The following are the steps for creating a project on Git:

- First we create a repository on GitHub
- Next you have to pull the repository onto your local system
- Then you have to execute the following commands to push your code
 - git init
 - git add .
 - git commit -m "Commit Message"
 - git remote add origin enter the url of the repository
 - git push -u origin master

Once you follow the steps above, you will be to see the code up on GitHub. The following image shows the Github repository with all the artifacts.

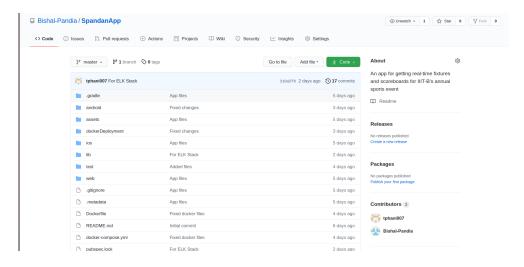


Figure 10: Spandan App Git repository

4.5 Flutter- Build & Testing

Flutter build was used to build the Apk with all the features and widgets. Before that the command Flutter Doctor was run to do a environment check and to check if all the packages and dependencies are installed or not to ensure that the build is smooth and uninterrupted. Flutter automatically creates test cases based on the widgets and action buttons that are being used in the app, or are part of the app. Based on this, test cases were automatically created in a file test/widget_test.dart and were then tested using Flutter test. Here is the snapshot of one such test case -

```
testWidgets('MyWidget has a title and message', (WidgetTester tester) async {
    // Create the widget by telling the tester to build it.
    await tester.pumpWidget(AppBar(title: Text('t')));

    // Create the Finders.
    final titleFinder = find.text('t');
    // final messageFinder = find.text('M');

    // Use the `findsOneWidget` matcher provided by flutter_test to
    // verify that the Text widgets appear exactly once in the widget tree.
    expect(titleFinder, findsOneWidget);
    // expect(messageFinder, findsOneWidget);
});
```

Figure 11: Test Case 1

4.6 Jenkins - Continuous Integration

Continuous Integration is the most important part of DevOps that is used to integrate various DevOps stages. Jenkins is the most famous Continuous Integration tool. Jenkins makes it easier for us to integrate changes to the project, and making it easier for users to obtain a fresh build.

The link here can be used to install Jenkins onto you Ubuntu system. Once you are done with the installation and the set up, you can host the server in this link https://localhost:8080/

The next step is to create a pipeline on Jenkins. As soon as we create the pipeline on Jenkins the following are the stages in the pipeline:

- Stage-1: Git Pull
- **Stage-2:** Flutter Doctor
- Stage-3: Flutter Build & Test Apk
- Stage-4: Docker build
- Stage-5: Docker Compose
- Stage-6: Docker Push
- Stage-7: Ansible Deployment

Here we can observer the script for the entire pipeline.

Figure 12: Jenkins pipeline script



Figure 13: Jenkins pipeline status

4.7 Docker - Containerization

Docker is a tool designed to make it easier to create, deploy, and run applications by using containers. Containers allow us to package up an application with all of the parts it needs, such as libraries and other dependencies, and deploy it as one package. The docker images can be pushed onto the DockerHub and can be made public so that anyone can pull the image and then get the application running on their system.

The following are the steps to install docker:

- sudo apt install apt-transport-https ca-certificates curl software-properties-common
- curl -fsSL https://get.docker.com -o get-socker.sh
- sh get-docker.sh

SpandanApp uses docker-compose to build the docker containers and also to setup a network between the containers for an easy exchange of data. SpandanApp comprises of two docker containers - A container with the Apk along with PHP & a container for the MySQL database. To achieve this, firstly, a Dockerfile was written to specify the tools and packages required in building the image of the apk along with PHP support and secondly a docker-compose.yml was written to pull the image of MySQL from the DockerHub and to build the image of the apk using the specifications defined in the Dockerfile. docker-compose.yml was also used to

setup a network between the two services- database and the web service by specifying the port mappings, docker volumes were defined in order to persist the data and to persist other necessary configuration files. Below are the code snippets of Dockerfile & docker-compose.yml-

```
version: '3'
services:
  mysql:
    image: mysql:5.7
    volumes:
      - ./mysql:/docker-entrypoint-initdb.d
    restart: always
    environment:
      - MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD=root
      - MYSQL_DATABASE=Spandan_db
    ports:
      - "4000:3306"
  web:
    build: .
    volumes:
      - .:/var/www/html
    ports:
      - "4001:80"
    depends_on:
      - mysql
    stdin_open: true
    tty: true
```

Listing 1: docker-compose.yml

```
12 # Prepare Android directories and system variables
13 RUN mkdir -p Android/sdk
14 ENV ANDROID_SDK_ROOT ./Android/sdk
15 RUN mkdir -p .android && touch .android/repositories.cfg
17 # Set up Android SDK
18 RUN wget -O sdk-tools.zip https://dl.google.com/android/
     repository/sdk-tools-linux-4333796.zip
19 RUN unzip sdk-tools.zip && rm sdk-tools.zip
20 RUN mv tools Android/sdk/tools
21 RUN cd Android/sdk/tools/bin && yes | ./sdkmanager --licenses
22 RUN cd Android/sdk/tools/bin && ./sdkmanager "build-tools
      ;29.0.2" "patcher; v4" "platform-tools" "platforms; android
      -29" "sources; android -29"
23 ENV PATH "$PATH:./Android/sdk/platform-tools"
24
25 # Download Flutter SDK
26 RUN git clone https://github.com/flutter/flutter.git
27 ENV PATH "$PATH:./flutter/bin"
29 # Run basic check to download Dart SDK
30 RUN flutter doctor
31 RUN git clone https://github.com/Bishal-Pandia/SpandanApp.git
```

Listing 4: Dockerfile

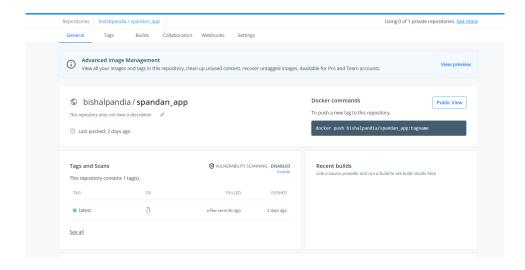


Figure 14: Dockerhub Repository

4.8 Ansible - Continuous Deployment

Ansible is a configuration management tool, which is the process of maintaining computer systems, servers, and software in a desired, consistent state. Continuous deployment is the process of automating the process of deploying applications to multiple client machines. Ansible can be used for continuous deployment by pushing the required files to the managed hosts. Ansible runs on the control node which works as the central node for distributing files to the managed host.

The following link can be used to check how to install Ansible onto your device.

In the SDLC, for the deploy stage, the following code is for the deployDocker.yml^[2] file, which is the playbook and the corresponding inventory file^[3] as well.

localhost ansible_user=bishal

Listing 3: inventory file

4.9 ELK Stack - Continuous Monitoring

Continuous monitoring is an automated process by which DevOps personnel can observe and detect compliance issues and security threats during each phase of the DevOps pipeline. Continuous Monitoring comes in at the end of the DevOps pipeline. Once the software is released into production, Continuous Monitoring will notify us in the event of specific issues arising in the prod environment. It provides feedback on what is going wrong, which allows the relevant people to work on necessary fixes as soon as possible.

ELK stands for:

- ElasticSearch: This is a search engine that takes the input from Logstash and shifts through the pre-processed logs.
- Logstash: Collects logs from various sources and user filters like grok to parse the logs and organizes them in fields defined by us.
- Kibana: Kibana is a visualization engine that runs on top of Elasticsearch. This is used to visualize various aspects of the logs and gain insights of that help understand the logs even better. [15]

For the ELK stack we have used the assistance of this website that allows us to monitor and use the ELK cloud services. The reason for this is because logging support for Flutter applications was quite difficult to find an integrate and this software makes it easier to integrate the logging process from Flutter to ELK stack. The packages that were used for logging information are

- logging 1.0.1: This helped creating the logs that are to be generated in the app.
- logging_appenders 1.0.0: This helped in sending the logs to the website which provided an ELK stack platform.

The logs^[16] that are generated in the app are based on the following:

- When a user signs into the app
- When the user creates an account
- When the user switches from login page to sign up page

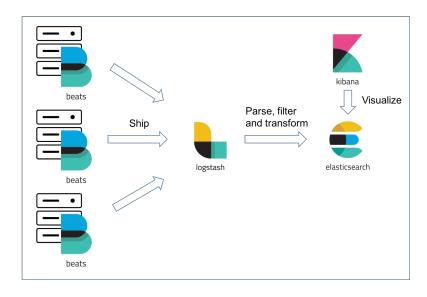


Figure 15: ELK Architecture

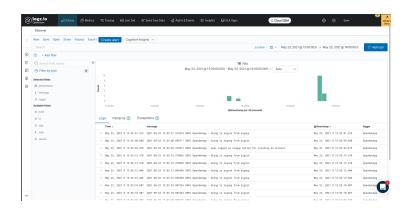


Figure 16: Kibana

5 Future Scope

- We plan on implementing a notification system, where user who are interested in a particular team/match can check out any information and updates regarding their matches.
- We plan on implementing a team viewing system, where users can view their favorite teams/players and get information regarding the team's status and fixtures.
- We plan on creating an Admin user that has access to modifying the fixtures, user information and also the sports and tournament that are to be conducted.

6 Conclusion

We have a learnt a lot of aspects as to what goes on into developing an application. Using DevOps tools made us realise how easy things become when it comes to releasing a new feature or the integrating the operations part with the development as well. Overall this project helped us in understanding the importance of DevOps and how the different stages have their own advantages and play a crucial role in the entire process. The link to the GitHub Repository and the DockerHub Repository can be found here.

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