Project Report

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Project Title

Sponsify: A Platform Connecting Sponsors and Influencers

Problem Statement

The objective of this project is to create a web-based platform called Sponsify, which allows sponsors to create and manage advertising campaigns and influencers to find and accept ad requests. The platform must handle the following:

- 1. Sponsors should be able to create, view, and manage campaigns, including flagging inappropriate campaigns.
- 2. Influencers should be able to browse public campaigns, accept or reject ad requests, and manage their profiles.
- 3. Admins should monitor flagged campaigns and manage the overall platform integrity.
- 4. An authentication system will distinguish between different roles: Admin, Sponsor, and Influencer.

Problem Approach

The project approach involves breaking down the problem into multiple modules:

- Authentication and Session Management: Used a session-based authentication where users' roles (admin, sponsor, influencer) are stored in the session after logging in.
- Role-based Dashboards: Created separate dashboard views for each role with different functionalities (e.g., sponsors manage campaigns, influencers manage ad requests).
- Ad Request Management: Built a system for sending and managing ad requests between sponsors and influencers.
- Flagging Mechanism: Added functionality for sponsors to flag campaigns, visible to admins for moderation.

Frameworks and Libraries Used

- 1. Flask: The web framework used to develop the backend of the application. It was chosen due to its simplicity, flexibility, and the ability to integrate easily with Python libraries.
- 2. SQLAlchemy: An ORM (Object Relational Mapper) used to handle database operations, providing a clean abstraction over SQL queries.
- 3. Jinja2: The templating engine used in Flask to render HTML pages dynamically based on the user's role (admin, sponsor, influencer).
- 4. Bootstrap: A front-end framework that enabled rapid prototyping of the web pages with responsive designs.
- 5. FontAwesome: Used for icons throughout the platform to enhance the user experience.
- 6. SQLite: Chosen as the database for development due to its simplicity, ease of setup, and integration with Flask.

ER Diagram and Database Structure

Tables:

- 1. User: Stores basic information about users, including their role (Admin, Sponsor, Influencer).
- 2. Campaign: Represents the advertising campaigns created by sponsors. Includes fields such as name, description, start_date, end_date, budget, and is_flagged.
- 3. AdRequest: Tracks the interactions between campaigns and influencers. Includes fields for status (Pending, Accepted, Rejected), campaign_id, and influencer_id.
- 4. InfluencerProfile: Stores additional details specific to influencers, such as category, niche, and reach.
- 5. SponsorProfile: Stores additional details specific to sponsors, including company name, industry, and budget.

Relationships between Tables:

- User Campaign: A one-to-many relationship where each sponsor (user with the role "Sponsor") can create multiple campaigns.
- Campaign AdRequest: A one-to-many relationship where each campaign can have multiple ad requests.
- User AdRequest: A many-to-many relationship facilitated by the AdRequest table, where influencers can interact with multiple campaigns, and a campaign can have multiple influencers.

Video demonstration Link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pbSFZhaNXAdz2k0kL3Cfc4oUnqJ0TjSR/view?usp=sharin