



AstroBlog - Documentation

Application Frameworks – SE3040

Assignment 2

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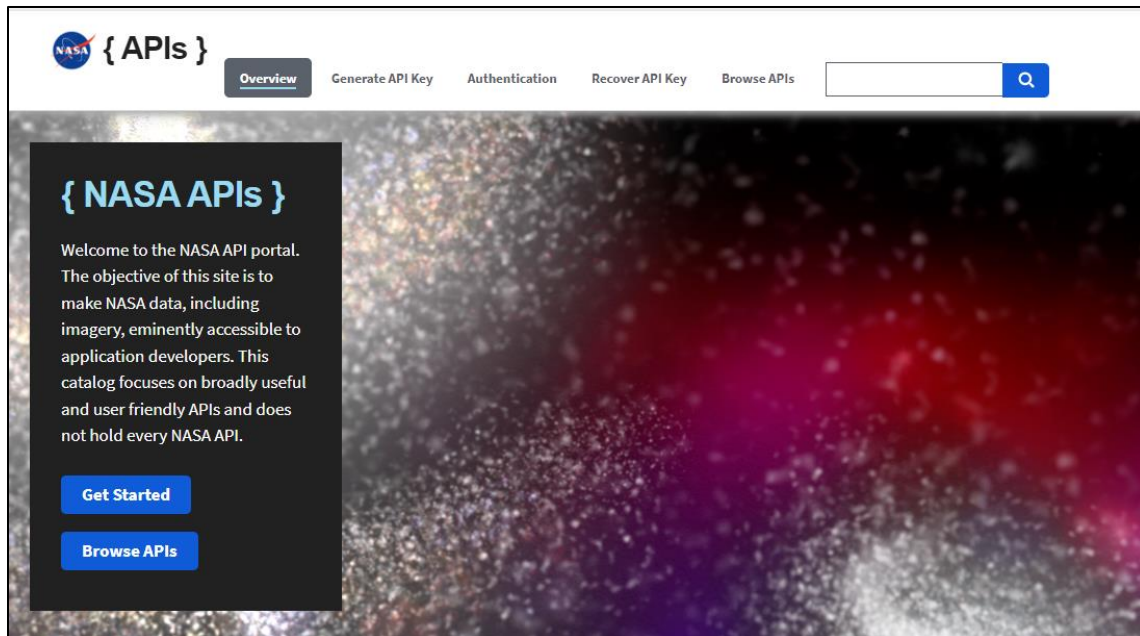
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1. NASA API's

How to use the NASA Open API's

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration which is abbreviated to NASA has made a number of API's available to the public use. They're known as NASA Open API's. They can be found at the website of the NASA API website which is <https://api.nasa.gov>.



Landing Page of the NASA Open API Website

After arriving at the landing page of the website, people can give their personal information such as the name and the email. Afterwards, an email containing the 'API KEY' for that specific user will be sent to the email provided. That API KEY should be used while fetching information from the specific API listed on the website.

Generate API Key

Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*).

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *

How will you use the APIs? (optional)

Form to enter details to generate the API KEY

NASA Open API's used in Explore Space

APOD – Astronomy Picture Of the Day

This API is one of the most popular used by developers. Once a request is sent through this API, it returns a picture related to astronomy and it provides a brief explanation regarding the picture in the response. The request needs to be sent with the API KEY that was generated for yourself accordingly.

```
const useNasaAPOD = () => {
  const [pictureData, setPictureData] = useState({ initialState: null });
  const [isLoading, setIsLoading] = useState({ initialState: true });
  const [error, setError] = useState({ initialState: null });
  const apiKey : string = process.env.REACT_APP_NASA_API_KEY;

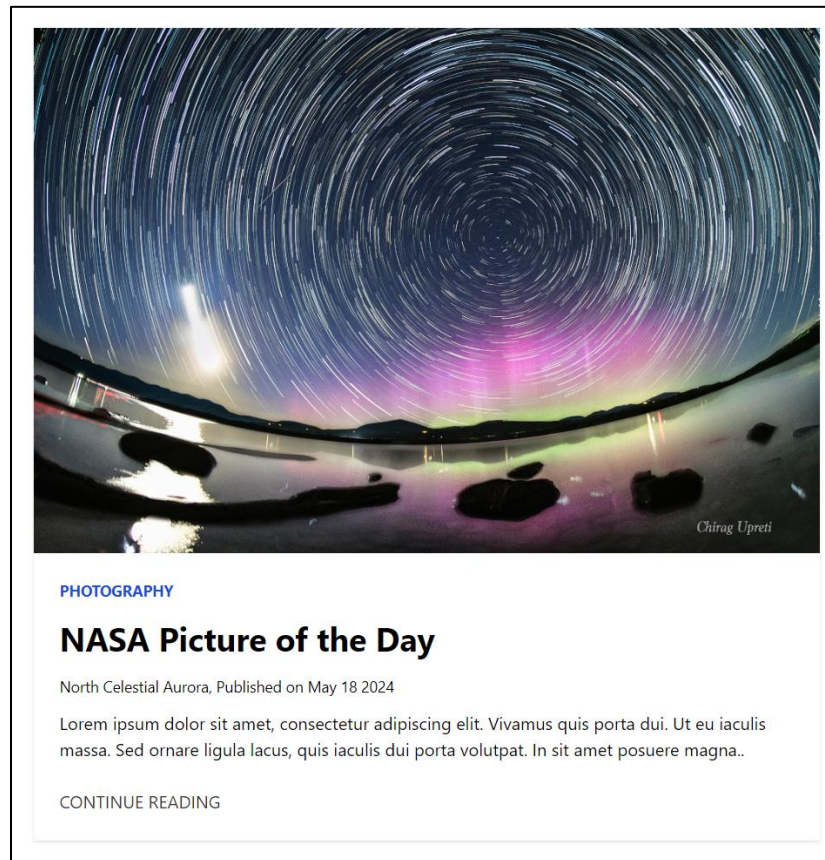
  useEffect( effect: () :void => {
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    const fetchPictureOfTheDay = async () :Promise<void> => {
      setIsLoading( value: true );
      setError( value: null );
      try {
        const response : AxiosResponse<any> = await axios.get( url: `https://api.nasa.gov/planetary/apod?api_key=${apiKey}` );
        setPictureData( response.data );
      } catch ( error ) {
        setError( error.message );
      } finally {
        setIsLoading( value: false );
      }
    };

    fetchPictureOfTheDay();
  }, [apiKey]);

  return { pictureData, isLoading, error };
};
```

Fetch Request to get the APOD Response

The API implementation done on my project was to load the image in a separate component called APOD, it had details regarding the APOD picture below. For the designing purposes bootstrap components were used and media queries were implemented for the responsive user interface of the APOD component.



User Interface of the APOD Component

Mars Rover Photos

The Mars Rover Photos API was designed to collect image data gathered by the Rovers on the Martian planet. They are the NASA's Curiosity, Opportunity, and Spirit rovers. This API responds with a collection of images of the surface of the planet Mars when a request is made, and these images are made

```
const fetchRoverImages = async (roverName, startDate, endDate) : Promise<void> => {
  try {
    let apiUrl : string = `https://api.nasa.gov/mars-photos/api/v1/rovers/${roverName}/photos?sol=1000&api_key=${apiKey}`;
    const response : AxiosResponse<any> = await axios.get(apiUrl);
    console.log(response)
    setImages( {value: response.data.photos || []});
    setLoading( {value: false});
  } catch (error) {
    console.error('Error fetching images:', error);
    setLoading( {value: false});
  }
}

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const fetchLatestRoverImages = async (limit) : Promise<void> => {
  try {
    const response : AxiosResponse<any> = await axios.get(`https://api.nasa.gov/mars-photos/api/v1/rovers/curiosity/latest_photos?api_key=${apiKey}&page=1&per_page=${limit}`);
    const data = response.data;
    if (data.latest_photos && data.latest_photos.length > 0) {
      setLatestImages(data.latest_photos);
      setLatestImage(data.latest_photos[0]);
    } else {
      setLatestImage( {value: null});
    }
    setLoading( {value: false});
  } catch (error) {
    console.error('Error fetching latest images:', error);
    setLoading( {value: false});
  }
}
```

Fetch Request to get the Mars Rover Response

available to use to the public by the NASA. The request needs to be sent with the API KEY that was generated for yourself accordingly.

The API implementation done on my project was to load the image in a separate component called MarsRover, it had 3 separate cards that redirects you to information regarding the 3 separate rovers that was on Mars for NASA. For the designing purposes bootstrap components were used and media queries were implemented for the responsive user interface of the Mars Rover component. The carousel bootstrap component to use the images that provided in the response in a slideshow, where the user can go back and forth with the images.

Dive into the Realms of the Martian Land

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Curiosity Rover

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Opportunity Rover

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Spirit Rover

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About the Martian Mission

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- 2. which of us ever undertakes laborious physical exercise
- Et harum quidem rerum facilis est et expedita distinctio
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- which of us ever undertakes laborious physical exercise

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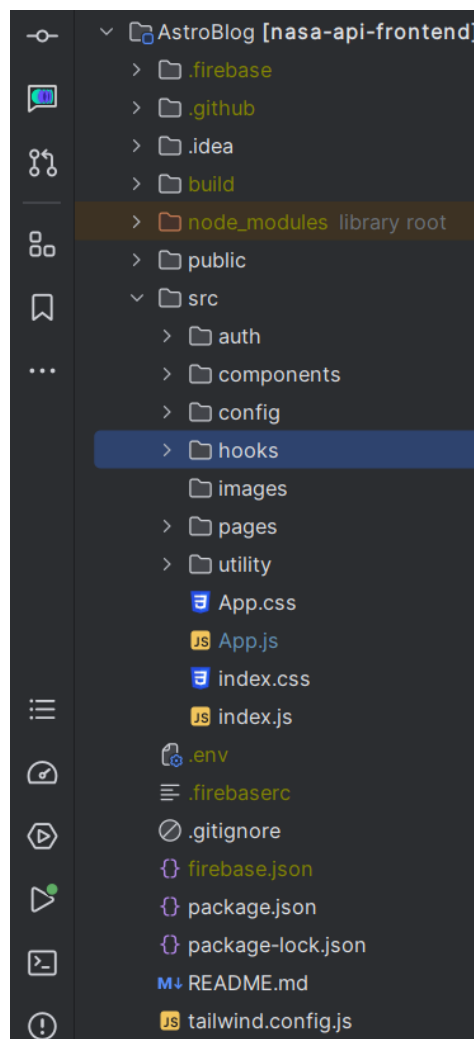
Latest Rover Images



2.Implementation of the system

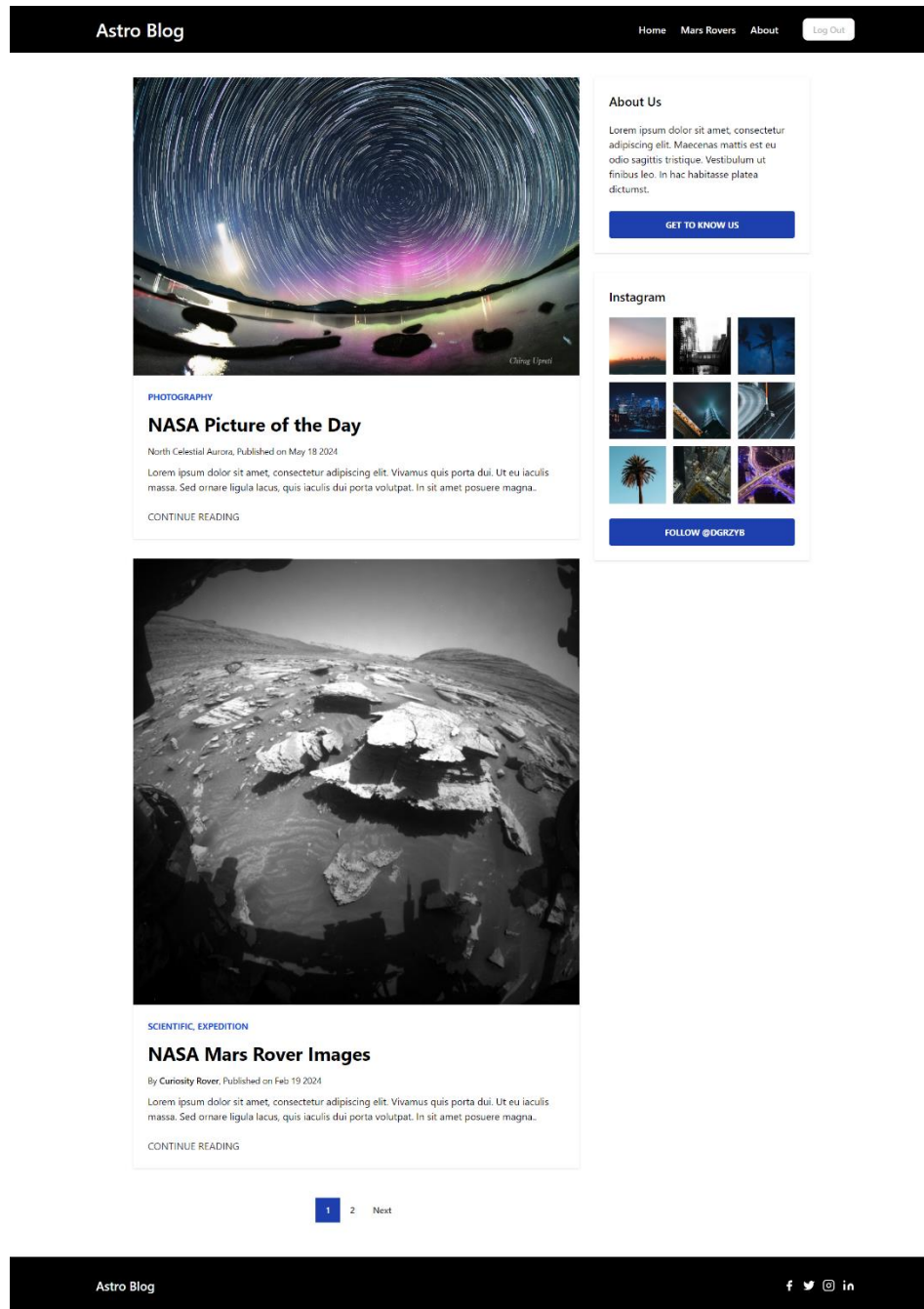
For development of this system various frameworks were used in both frontend and the there is no backend for this system, AstroBlog. For the frontend development the javascript based framework React was used. And API's were taken from the NASA's Open API portal.

The frontend development of AstroBlog was done using the React framework. It is a component-based framework which is used for frontend development. I used the function-based components for the development of the components over class-based components. I also used Bootstrap as a CSS framework which was used to get components such as Cards, Forms, and Carousels.



Set of Components that were developed for the FE

3. User Interfaces



Main Page / Home Page

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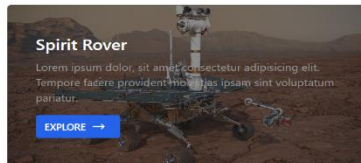
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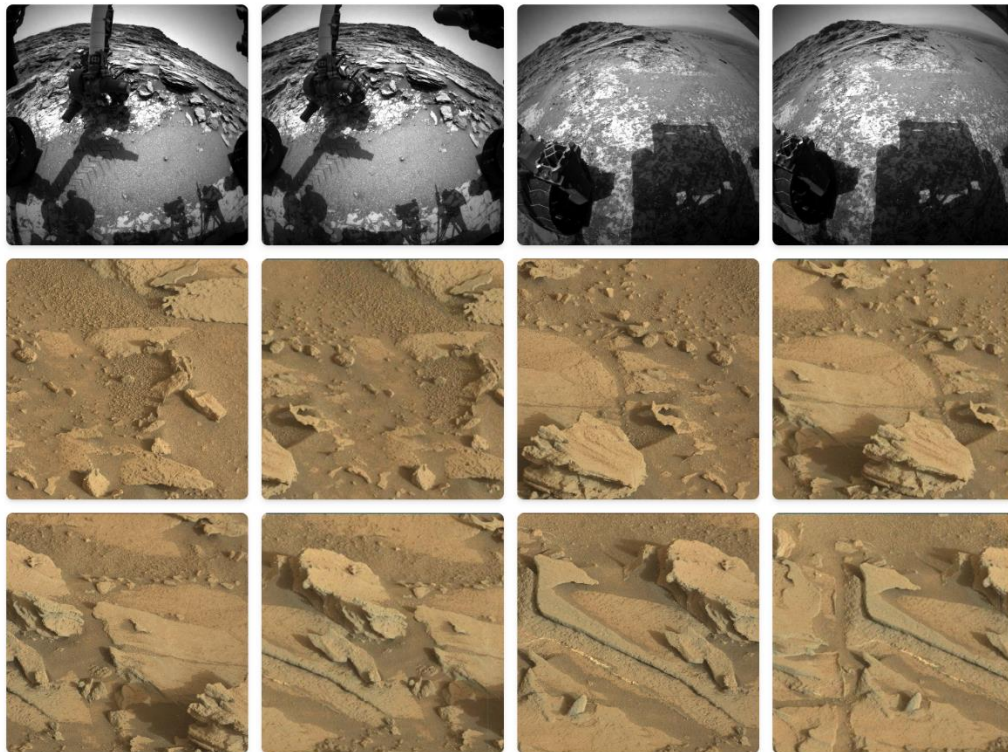
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CURIOSITY Rover Images

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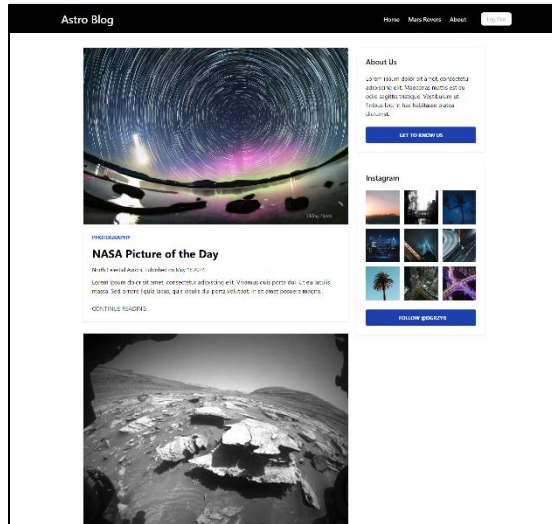
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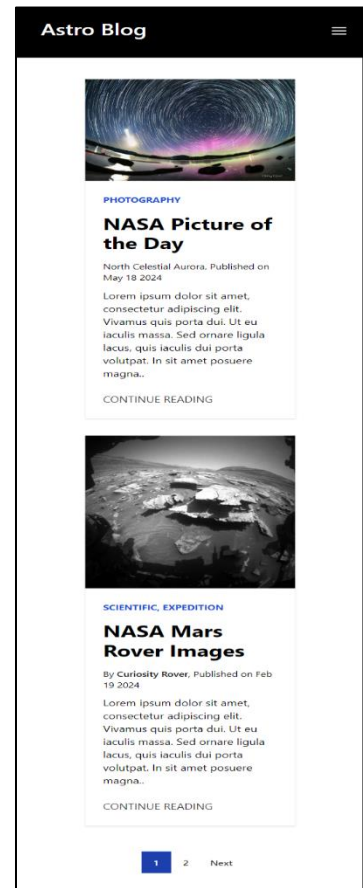
4. Challenges Faced

Responsive User Interface Creation

The next challenge I faced was creating the Responsive User Interfaces. Previously, in most of the project I did not care about the responsiveness of the user interfaces. I finally learnt how to make the screens responsive according to the screen size. I was able to master the use of Media queries in CSS which allowed me to make CSS changes depending on the size of the screen.



Normal User Interface in a Laptop Screen



Normal User Interface in a Smaller Screen