

# **DS565 - Generative AI-Driven Intelligent Apps Development**

## **Project: ChatBot For SFBU**

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## Project Overview

- **Objective:** Create a web-based chatbot with a conversational interface to assist users with inquiries and tasks.
- **Description:** A chatbot powered by natural language processing (NLP) and integrated with external data sources (e.g., documents, URLs) to provide intelligent, context-aware responses.



## **Project Workflow**

### **Step 1: Data Loading**

- Import data from PDFs, web URLs, and other sources.

### **Step 2: Vectorization**

- Convert text into vector representations for efficient similarity search.

### **Step 3: Similarity Search**

- Retrieve relevant information based on user queries.

### **Step 4: Generate Response/Speech to Text to Speech**

- Use a pre-trained language model (e.g., GPT) to formulate responses.

### **Step 5: Display Response**

- Present the information in a user-friendly web interface.



## Technical Architecture

### Components:

- **Frontend:** HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for user interaction.
- **Backend:** Flask framework to handle API requests.
- **Vector Database:** FAISS or other libraries for efficient similarity search.
- **NLP Model:** OpenAI GPT or similar models for language understanding and generation.

### Data Flow:

- User → Chat Interface → Backend API → Vector DB → NLP Model → Chat Interface → Speech to Text to Speech.



## Data Sources

- **PDF Documents:** Uploaded by the user or administrator, processed for text extraction.
- **Web URLs:** Loaded dynamically for relevant content extraction.
- **YouTube Transcripts:** Audio content transcribed and used for Q&A.



## Features of the Chatbot

- **Natural Language Understanding:** Recognizes and processes user input in natural language.
- **Contextual Responses:** Uses context from previous messages to maintain conversation flow.
- **Data Integration:** Pulls information from multiple sources like PDFs and web URLs.
- **Responsive UI:** User-friendly interface with real-time responses and typing indicators.
- **Loading Spinner:** Indicates when the chatbot is processing information.

# Code

```
# Function to load documents
def load_documents():
    docs = []
    pdf_loader = PyPDFLoader(file_path="data/sfbu-catalog.pdf")
    docs.extend(pdf_loader.load())
    with open('data/urls.txt', 'r') as file:
        urls = file.read().splitlines()
        url_loader = UnstructuredURLLoader(urls=urls)
        docs.extend(url_loader.load())
    return docs
```

```
@app.route('/ask', methods=['POST'])
def ask():
    global chat_history
    question = request.json.get("question")
    inputs = {
        "question": question,
        "chat_history": chat_history
    }

    response = qa_chain.invoke(inputs)
    chat_history.append((question, response['answer']))
    return jsonify({"answer": response['answer']})
```

## Code

```
# Create vectorstore from documents
documents = load_documents()
vectorstore = FAISS.from_documents(documents, embedding_model)

# Use SimpleMemory instead of ConversationMemory
conversation_memory = SimpleMemory()

# Create conversational retrieval chain
qa_chain = ConversationalRetrievalChain.from_llm(
    llm=llm,
    retriever=vectorstore.as_retriever(),
    memory=conversation_memory
)
chat_history = []
```



# Code

```
60 def generate_tts(text, output_dir="static/audio"):
61     global previous_audio_file
62     os.makedirs(output_dir, exist_ok=True)
63     unique_filename = f"response_{uuid.uuid4().hex}.mp3"
64     # unique_filename = f"response.mp3"
65     filepath = os.path.join(output_dir, unique_filename)
66     if previous_audio_file and os.path.exists(previous_audio_file):
67         try:
68             os.remove(previous_audio_file)
69         except Exception as e:
70             print(f"Error deleting file {previous_audio_file}: {e}")
71
72     # Update the previous file tracker
73     previous_audio_file = filepath
74
75     with client.audio.speech.with_streaming_response.create(
76         model="tts-1",
77         voice="onyx",
78         input=text,
79     ) as response:
80         response.stream_to_file(filepath)
81
82     return filepath # Return the full path of the audio file
83
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```

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17 model = whisper.load_model("base")
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20 def transcribe_audio(audio_file):
21     try:
22         # Resolve the absolute path to the 'temp' folder
23         base_dir = os.path.dirname(os.path.abspath(__file__)) # Get directory of 'utility.py'
24         temp_dir = os.path.join(base_dir, "temp") # Resolve the temp directory path
25
26         # Ensure the temp directory exists
27         os.makedirs(temp_dir, exist_ok=True)
28
29         # Save the audio file to the 'temp' directory
30         filename = secure_filename(audio_file.filename)
31         temp_path = os.path.join(temp_dir, filename)
32         audio_file.save(temp_path)
33         transcription = model.transcribe(temp_path, fp16=False)
34         return transcription['text']
35
36     except Exception as e:
37         return f"Error during transcription: {str(e)}"
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```



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