

Project Presentation of Full Stack Engineering Project (FSE) (22CS037)

On

Real Time Chat App

Saikat Hazra (2210992216)

Sachidanand Gupta (2210992202)

Sachin Kumar (2210992204)

Sarbraj Singh(2210992258)

Supervised By

Mr. Rahul

Department of Computer Science and Engineering,
Chitkara University, Punjab

Introduction



A **Real-Time Chat App** using the **MERN stack (MongoDB, Express.js, React, Node.js)** enables seamless, instant messaging between users. It leverages **WebSockets** (via **Socket.io**) to establish real-time communication. The backend, powered by **Node.js** and **Express**, handles authentication, message storage in **MongoDB**, and WebSocket connections.





SDLC Diagram



Planning

Defining project scope, objectives, and requirements to establish a clear direction..



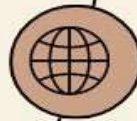
Design

Creating UI/UX layouts to visualize the application's appearance



Development

Implementing the front-end design by writing codes.



Testing

Conducting various tests to ensure the quality, reliability, and usability



Deployment

Releasing the application for users to access.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

HTML:

- Markup language for creating the structure of web pages.
- Utilizes elements like `<div>`, `<p>`, `` to organize content.
- Forms for user input, with various input types like text, password, etc.
- Semantics for accessibility and SEO.



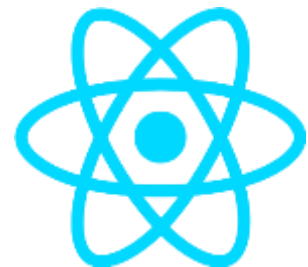
TAILWIND CSS:

- A utility-first CSS framework for styling HTML elements.
- Simplifies layout design with classes for the box model: content, padding, border, and margin
- Provides utility classes for positioning, display, flexbox, and grid layouts.
- Enables responsive design through media query utilities.



REACTJS:

- Allows dynamic rendering of HTML content based on real-time data.
- Facilitates reusable components like headers, footers, and forms.
- Supports conditional rendering to tailor content based on user roles or data.
- Seamlessly integrates form handling for actions like login and data submissions.
- Efficiently loops through arrays to render dynamic content such as notices, events, or appointments.



Backend

MongoDB:

- NoSQL database designed for handling large volumes of data. Uses flexible, JSON-like documents to store data. Supports dynamic schemas, allowing easy updates to data structure.
- Provides horizontal scaling for managing distributed data.
- Facilitates fast queries and indexing for efficient data retrieval.



Express:

- Express is a minimal and flexible Node.js web application framework that provides a robust set of features for web and mobile applications.
- Express is a lightweight and flexible routing framework with minimal core features meant to be augmented through the use of Express middleware modules.



Postman:

- Postman is a global software company that offers an API platform for developers to design, build, test, and collaborate on APIs.



User Authentication – Secure login/signup using JWT and bcrypt.

✓ **Real-Time Messaging** – Instant chat using **Socket.io** for real-time communication.

✓ **One-on-One & Group Chats** – Support for personal and group conversations.

✓ **Online/Offline Status** – Show users' availability in real-time.

✓ **Message Read Receipts** – Indicate when messages are delivered and read.

✓ **Typing Indicators** – Display when a user is typing.

✓ **Media & File Sharing** – Send images, videos, and documents.

✓ **Notifications** – Real-time alerts for new messages.

✓ **Search & Filters** – Find users or messages easily.

✓ **Chat History & Storage** – Store messages securely in MongoDB.

Target Audience

•Who is this for?

1. General Users

- Individuals looking for instant messaging solutions.

2. Businesses & Enterprises

- Teams needing real-time collaboration (e.g., Slack alternative).

3. Developers & Tech Enthusiasts

- MERN stack developers learning WebSockets & real-time features.

4. Educational Platforms

- Online learning portals requiring live discussions.



User-Friendly Interface



Drag-and-Drop File Sharing

Users can easily send images, videos, and documents by dragging and dropping them into the chat.

Rich Messaging Experience

Built-in support for emojis, GIFs, reactions, and formatted text to enhance communication.

Intuitive Navigation

A simple and well-structured UI with easy access to contacts, recent chats, and settings.
Would you like me to add more features or refine the content further?

MongoDB

A NoSQL database that stores data in flexible, JSON-like documents, perfect for content-rich applications like blogs.

Express.js

A minimal and flexible Node.js web application framework that provides a robust set of features for web and mobile applications.

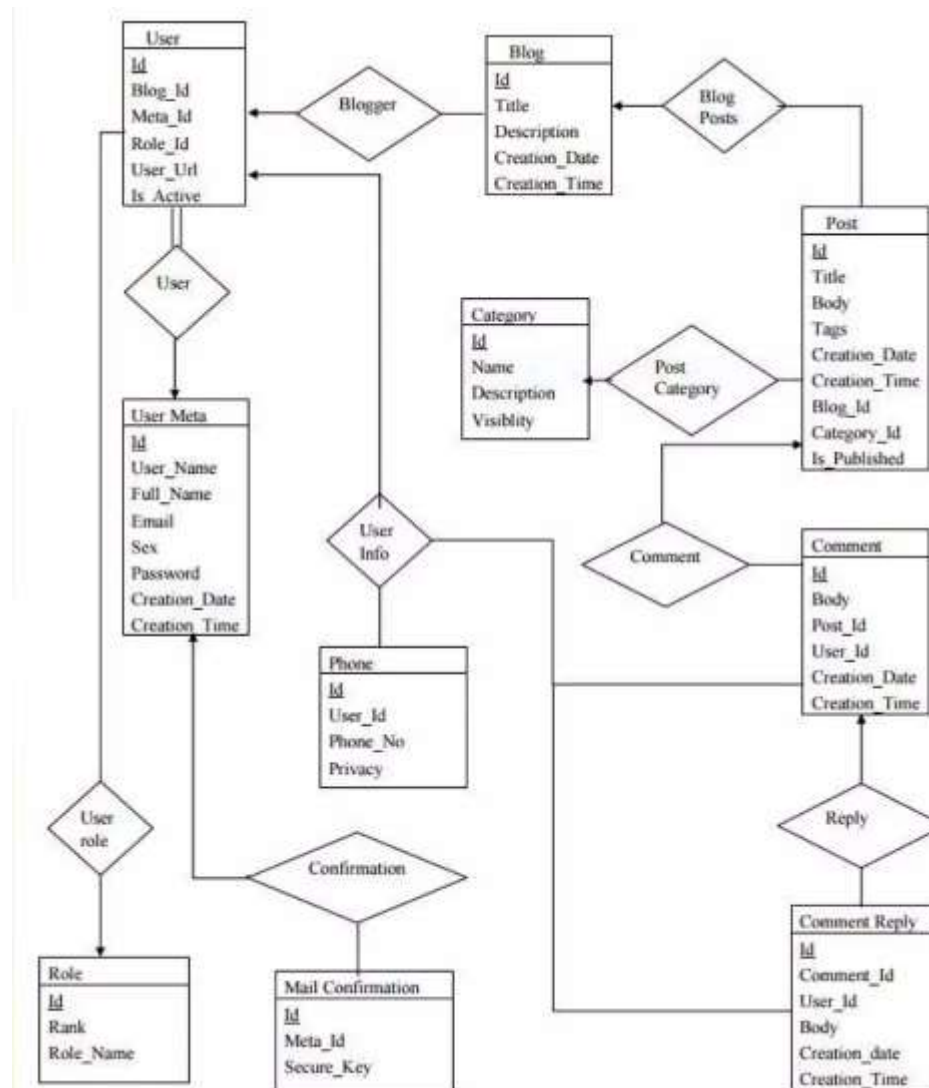
React

A powerful JavaScript library for building user interfaces, enabling the creation of dynamic, responsive, and interactive blog experiences.

Node.js

A JavaScript runtime built on Chrome's V8 JavaScript engine, allowing server-side scripting and efficient data handling.

ER Diagram



Code Snippets

```
1  import { useToast, Box, Stack, Text } from '@chakra-ui/react';
2  import { Button } from '@chakra-ui/react';
3  import React, { useEffect, useState } from 'react'
4  import { useChatState } from '../context/ChatProvider';
5  import axios from 'axios';
6  import { AddIcon } from '@chakra-ui/icons';
7  import ChatLoading from '../miscellaneous/ChatLoading';
8  import { getSender } from '../config/ChatLogics';
9  import GroupChatModel from '../miscellaneous/GroupChatModel';
10 import axiosInstance from '../config/axiosConfig';
11
12 const MyChats = ({fetchAgain}) => {
13
14   const [loggedUser, setLoggedUser] = useState();
15   const { user, setUser, selectedChat, setSelectedChat, chats, setChats } = useChatState();
16   const toast = useToast();
17
18   const fetchChats = async () => {
19     try {
20       const config = {
21         headers: {
22           Authorization: `Bearer ${user.token}`,
23         },
24       };
25
26       const {data} = await axiosInstance.get("/api/chats", config);
27       setChats(data);
28     } catch (error) {
29       toast({
30         title: "Error Occured!",
31         description: "Failed to Load the chats",
32       });
33     }
34   }
35 }
```

npm update-browserslist-db@latest

callback queue in javascript

saikat7890 (3 months ago) Ln 75, Col 27 Spaces: 2 UTF-8 CRLF {} JavaScript JSX Go Live Ninja Prettier

Output

Sign up



The screenshot shows a web form titled "My Chat App" with a background image of a green field and blue sky. The form has two tabs: "Login" and "Sign Up", with "Sign Up" being the active tab. The form contains the following fields and buttons:

- Name ***: A text input field with the placeholder "Enter your name".
- Email Address ***: A text input field with the placeholder "Enter Your Email Address".
- Password ***: A text input field with the placeholder "Enter Password" and a "Show" button to toggle visibility.
- Confirm Password ***: A text input field with the placeholder "Confirm password" and a "Show" button to toggle visibility.
- Sign Up**: A large blue button at the bottom of the form.

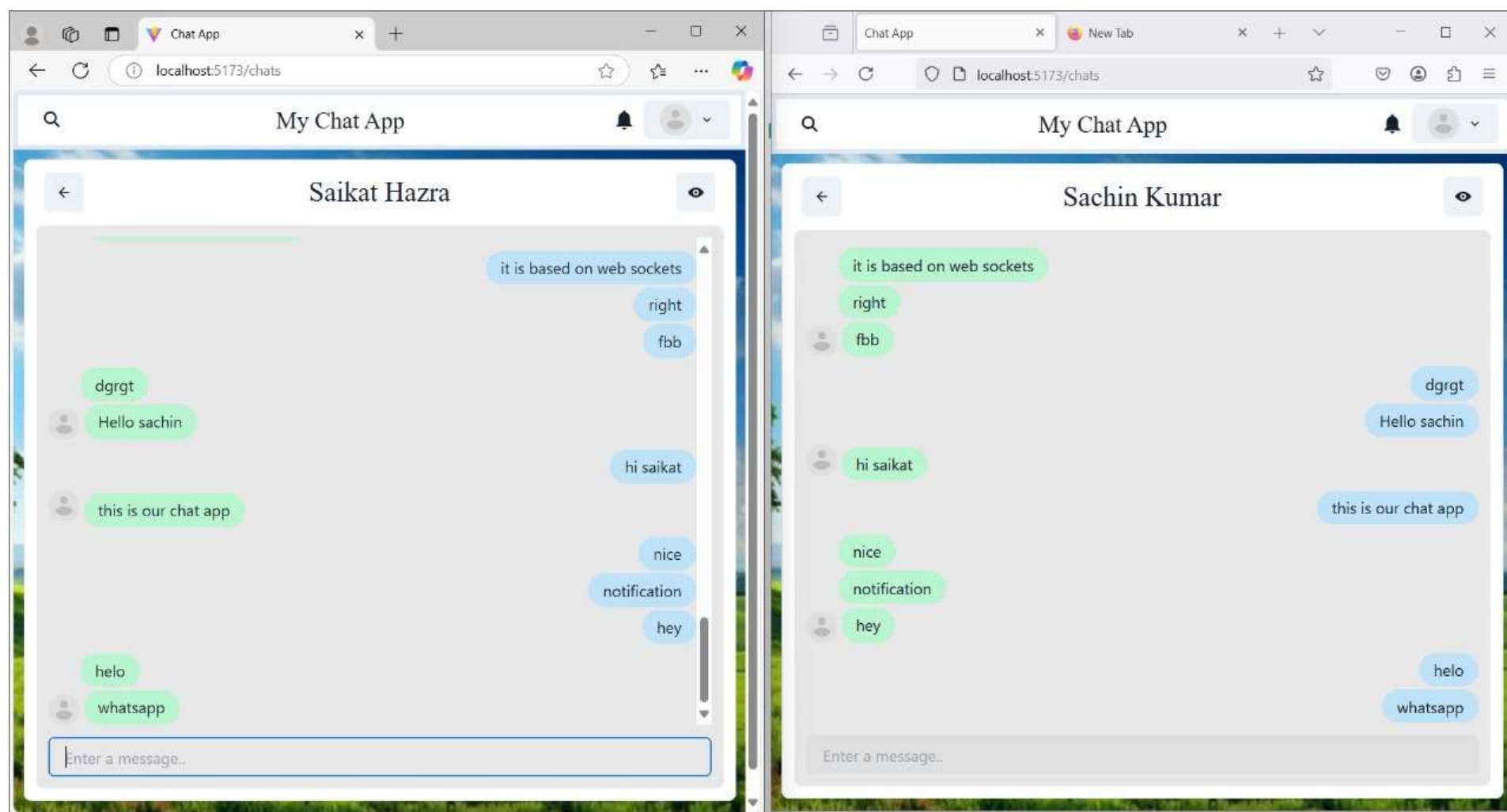
Login



The screenshot shows a web form with a background image of a green field and blue sky. The form has two tabs: "Login" and "Sign Up", with "Login" being the active tab. The form contains the following fields and buttons:

- Email Address ***: A text input field with the placeholder "Enter Your Email Address".
- Password ***: A text input field with the placeholder "Enter password" and a "Show" button to toggle visibility.
- Login**: A large blue button at the bottom of the form.

Project Snippet



CONCLUSION

- The Real-Time Chat Application built using the MERN stack (MongoDB, Express.js, React.js, Node.js) provides a scalable, secure, and efficient communication platform. By integrating Socket.io for real-time messaging, JWT authentication for security, and cloud storage for media handling, the application ensures a smooth and seamless user experience. Following an Agile development methodology, the project is designed for continuous improvement, scalability, and adaptability to future enhancements like voice/video calls, AI chatbots, and multi-device synchronization.



*Thank
you!*

