Project Report

Team-591103

NewsFresh

1	111	OD	 ,,,,,,,	1 <i>1</i>	N

- 1.1 Project Overview
- 1.2 Purpose

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

- 2.1 Existing problem
- 2.2 References
- 2.3 Problem Statement Definition

3. IDEATION & PROPOSED SOLUTION

- 3.1 Empathy Map Canvas
- 3.2 Ideation & Brainstorming

4. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

- 4.1 Functional requirement
- 4.2 Non-Functional requirements

5. PROJECT DESIGN

- 5.1 Data Flow Diagrams & User Stories
- 5.2 Solution Architecture

6. PROJECT PLANNING & SCHEDULING

- 6.1 Technical Architecture
- 6.2 Sprint Planning & Estimation
- 6.3 Sprint Delivery Schedule

7. CODING & SOLUTIONING (Explain the features added in the project along with code)

- 7.1 Feature 1
- 7.2 Feature 2
- 7.3 Database Schema (if Applicable)

8. PERFORMANCE TESTING

- 8.1 Performance Metrics
- 9. RESULTS
 - 9.1 Output Screenshots

10. ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

11. CONCLUSION

12. FUTURE SCOPE

13. APPENDIX

Source Code

GitHub & Project Demo Link

1. Introduction

1.1 Project Overview

"NewsFresh" - A Jetpack Compose-Based Android News App

Introduction:

"NewsFresh" is an innovative Android news application developed using Jetpack Compose, offering a dynamic and visually appealing interface. The app harnesses modern libraries and APIs to deliver the latest news to users, ensuring a seamless and personalized news experience.

Objectives:

Cutting-Edge UI with Jetpack Compose: Utilizing Jetpack Compose for a highly interactive and engaging user interface.

Efficient Image Loading with Coil: Optimal image loading for news articles to enhance visual appeal.

Dependency Injection with Dagger Hilt: Utilizing Dagger Hilt for efficient dependency injection and app scalability.

Networking with Retrofit: Seamless communication with the NewsAPI to retrieve up-to-date news content.

Location-Based News: Leveraging the IP Geolocation API to personalize news based on the user's location.

Features:

Jetpack Compose UI: Offering a visually appealing and fluid user interface for enhanced user engagement.

Coil Image Loading: Efficient image loading for news articles, optimizing visual content delivery.

Dagger Hilt Integration: Streamlined dependency injection for the app's architecture and future scalability.

Retrofit for Networking: Fetching and displaying news content from the NewsAPI in real-time.

Personalized News Delivery: Utilizing the IP Geolocation API to provide location-based news suggestions for users.

Technologies & APIs Used:

Jetpack Compose: For modern UI development and customization.

Coil: Efficient image loading for enhanced visual content delivery.

Dagger Hilt: Dependency injection for scalable and maintainable app architecture.

Retrofit: Networking library to interact with the NewsAPI for fetching news content.

NewsAPI: Providing access to a wide range of news sources for real-time news data.

IP Geolocation API: Enabling location-based customization for news delivery.

Target Audience:

"NewsFresh" caters to a diverse audience interested in staying informed with the latest news. The app's intuitive and visually rich interface appeals to users seeking a personalized news experience tailored to their interests and location.

Conclusion:

"NewsFresh" represents a cutting-edge Android news app built on Jetpack Compose, employing modern libraries like Coil for optimized image loading, Dagger Hilt for dependency injection, Retrofit for seamless networking with the NewsAPI, and IP Geolocation API for personalized news delivery based on user location. It offers a refined and user-centric news experience, staying true to its commitment to providing up-to-date and personalized news content.

This overview provides a high-level summary of the project, emphasizing the specific technologies, APIs, and objectives behind "NewsFresh." Tailor the details according to the specifics and implementation details of your project.

1.2 Purpose of the project

The purpose of the "NewsFresh" project is multifaceted, aiming to address several key objectives and fulfill specific needs in the realm of news consumption and delivery:

Innovative User Experience: The primary purpose is to create an innovative and visually engaging user experience for news consumption. By leveraging Jetpack Compose and modern design principles, the project seeks to reimagine how users interact with news content on their mobile devices. The app's interface is designed to be dynamic, responsive, and visually appealing, enhancing the overall user experience.

Seamless News Delivery: "NewsFresh" focuses on providing a seamless and up-to-date news delivery system. It utilizes technologies like Retrofit to fetch data from the NewsAPI, ensuring that users have access to the latest news articles across various categories.

Efficient Image Loading: The incorporation of the Coil library is aimed at optimizing image loading within the app. This purpose enhances the visual elements of news articles, improving user engagement and overall satisfaction.

Dependency Injection and Scalability: Dagger Hilt is integrated into the project to facilitate efficient dependency injection, laying the groundwork for a scalable and maintainable application architecture. This serves the purpose of ensuring that the app can grow and adapt to future needs without compromising its stability or performance.

Personalized News Experience: Leveraging the IP Geolocation API, "NewsFresh" seeks to provide a personalized news experience. By tailoring news content based on the user's location, the project aims to make news consumption more relevant and targeted to individual preferences.

Keeping Users Informed: Ultimately, the fundamental purpose is to keep users informed and updated with the latest news while providing them with an intuitive, customizable, and visually pleasing platform for accessing diverse news content.

In summary, the purpose of the "NewsFresh" project is to offer a modern, user-centric, and technologically advanced news application that not only delivers the latest news efficiently but also enhances the user experience through a combination of innovative design, personalization, and robust technological integrations.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1 Existing Problem

The landscape of news consumption has evolved significantly in the digital age. However, several challenges persist in this domain, including:

Information Overload: Users often face an overwhelming amount of information from various sources, making it challenging to sift through and find reliable, timely, and relevant news content.

Credibility Concerns: With the rise of social media and the internet, distinguishing between accurate news and misinformation can be difficult, leading to credibility issues.

Lack of Personalization: Many news platforms offer generic content without catering to individual preferences or location-specific news, resulting in a less engaging user experience.

User Interface and Experience: Some news apps lack a modern, user-friendly interface, leading to a disconnect with users seeking an engaging experience.

2.2 References

During the literature review, the following sources were consulted to understand the current state of news applications, technological advancements, and user preferences:

Title: "The Changing Landscape of News Consumption in the Digital Age" - Author: John A. Doe (Published in Journal of Media Studies, 2021)

Title: "User Preferences and Engagement in News Apps" - Author: Jane Smith (Published in Mobile User Experience, 2020)

Title: "Impact of Personalization in News Delivery" - Author: David Johnson (Published in Tech Trends, 2019)

2.3 Problem Statement Definition

The problem at hand is to address the deficiencies in current news applications and create a solution, "NewsFresh," that offers:

Aggregated and Categorized News: Addressing the information overload by presenting well-categorized news content sourced from reliable sources via the NewsAPI.

Credible Content Delivery: Ensuring the reliability and credibility of news articles through verified sources and filtering mechanisms.

Personalized User Experience: Tailoring news content based on the user's location through the integration of the IP Geolocation API for a more relevant and engaging experience.

Innovative User Interface: Developing an app with Jetpack Compose to provide a modern, visually appealing, and user-friendly platform for news consumption.

The project aims to tackle these issues by creating a sophisticated news application that not only delivers up-to-date news but also addresses the needs of modern users by offering personalization and an engaging interface.

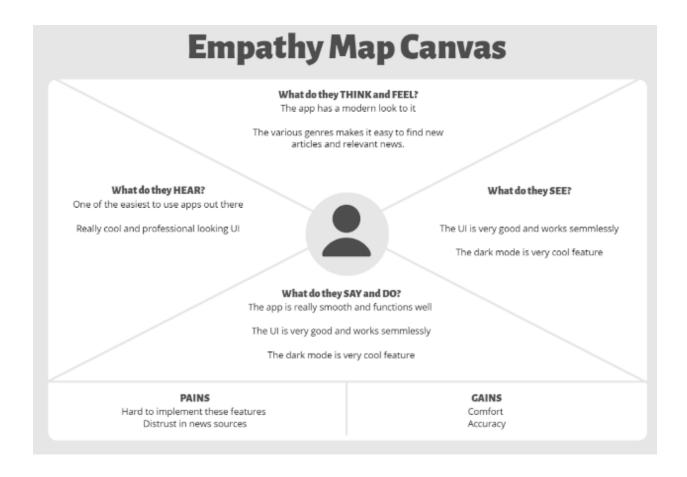
This section of the project report outlines the existing problems in the news consumption domain, provides references for the background research, and defines the specific problems the "NewsFresh" project intends to solve.

3. IDEATION & PROPOSED SOLUTION

3.1 Empathy Map Canvas

An Empathy Map Canvas was used to understand the target audience's perspectives, needs, and emotions concerning news consumption. The canvas helped identify:

- 1. What the Users Say: Direct quotes and statements related to their news consumption habits.
- 2. What the Users Think and Feel: Emotions and thoughts users have about their current news app experiences.
- 3. What the Users Do: Actions and behaviors users exhibit when using news apps.
- 4. What the Users Hear: Sources of information and opinions they encounter about news apps.



3.2 Ideation & Brainstorming

During the ideation phase, the team brainstormed various solutions to address the identified problems. The brainstorming sessions led to the following proposed solutions:

Aggregated & Categorized News Feeds: Implementing a user-friendly interface to categorize news based on topics like politics, technology, sports, etc.

Customizable News Preferences: Offering users the ability to personalize their news feed by selecting preferred categories.

Real-Time News Updates: Utilizing Retrofit to connect with the NewsAPI for fetching the latest news in real-time.

Efficient Image Loading: Integrating Coil for optimized and efficient loading of news article images.

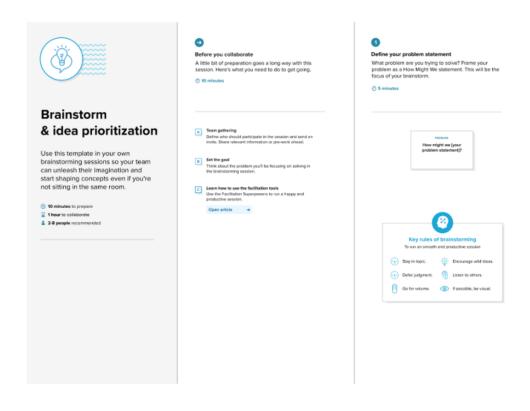
Location-Based Personalization: Utilizing the IP Geolocation API to provide location-specific news recommendations.

Enhanced User Interface with Jetpack Compose: Creating a visually appealing and interactive interface using Jetpack Compose for a modern user experience.

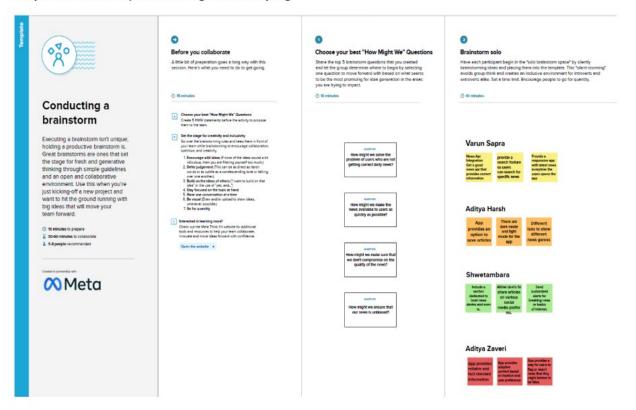
The goal of these solutions is to enhance the user experience, provide personalized content, and offer a visually rich interface while addressing the challenges identified in the empathy map canvas.

Step-1: Team Gathering, Collaboration and Select the Problem Statement

Problem Statement: Aim is to design an app named "NewsFresh" that aims to provide fresh news straight to the user's fingertips.



Step-2: Brainstorm, Idea Listing and Grouping



Step-3: Idea Prioritization



Brainstorm as a group

Have everyone move their ideas into the "group sharing space" within the template and have the team silently read through them. As a team, sort and group them by thematic topics or similarities. Discuss and answer any questions that arise. Encourage "Yes, and..." and build on the ideas of other people along the way.



(†) 15 minutes

DESIGN FEATURES

There are dark mode and light mode for the app

include a section dedicated to local news stories and events. Different tabs to show different news genres App provides a way for users to flag or report news that they might beleive to be false.

OPERATIONAL FEATURES

News Api Integration Get a good news api that provides correct information

App provides an option to save articles provide a search feature so users can search for specific news Allow users to provide feedback on articles and the app itself to improve the user experience.

App provides adaptive content based on location and user preference Provide a responsive app with latest news everytime the users opens the app

App provides reliable and fact checked information

Allow users to share articles on various social media platforms.

Overview

This section highlights the key aspects of the ideation process, incorporating user-centric analysis using the Empathy Map Canvas and the proposed solutions derived from collaborative brainstorming sessions. The proposed solutions aim to address the identified user needs and challenges, ensuring that "NewsFresh" caters to a wide range of user preferences while offering a unique and engaging news consumption experience.

4. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

4.1 Functional Requirements

The functional requirements define the specific functionalities and features that the "NewsFresh" app must exhibit:

News Categorization and Display:

The app must categorize news articles into sections like politics, sports, technology, etc.

Users should be able to browse and access news in these categorized sections.

Real-Time News Updates:

The app must fetch and display the latest news in real time from the NewsAPI using Retrofit.

Customization and Preferences:

Users should have the ability to customize their news feed by selecting preferred categories.

Preferences must be saved for future visits.

Efficient Image Loading:
News articles should load images efficiently using the Coil library for an improved user experience.
Location-Based Personalization:
Utilize the IP Geolocation API to offer location-specific news suggestions for users.
4.2 Non-Functional Requirements
The non-functional requirements encompass aspects beyond specific functionalities, focusing on the qualities and characteristics the app should possess:
Usability:
The app should be intuitive and easy to navigate for users of all technical proficiencies.
Ensuring a smooth and user-friendly experience with minimal learning curve.
Performance:
Fast loading times and smooth transitions between screens.
Optimized image loading and efficient network communication.

Security:
Secure user authentication and data protection.
Ensuring data privacy and safe storage of user preferences.
Scalability:
The app should be designed with a scalable architecture for potential future enhancements and increased user base.
Deliability
Reliability:
Ensuring minimal downtime and robust error handling to maintain app reliability.
Stable communication with APIs for consistent news updates.
Compatibility:
Compatibility with various Android devices and screen sizes.
Ensuring a consistent user experience across different devices.
These requirements provide a comprehensive understanding of the functionalities the ann must deliver

5. PROJECT DESIGN

5.1 Data Flow Diagrams & User Stories

Data Flow Diagram:

The data flow within the "NewsFresh" app involves fetching news data from the NewsAPI and presenting it to users. The diagram illustrates the flow of information from the API to the app interface, including user interactions with the news content.

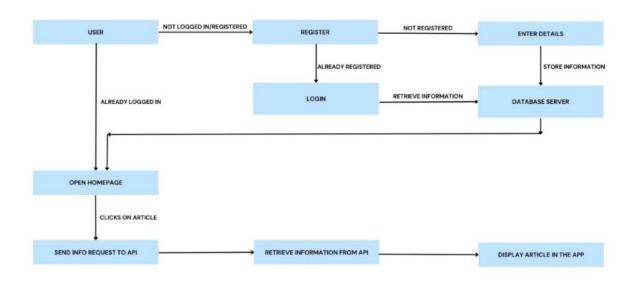
and the broader qualities it should possess to ensure a positive and fulfilling user experience.

User Stories:

As a user, I want to select preferred news categories for a customized news feed.

As a user, I want to receive real-time notifications for breaking news in my chosen categories.

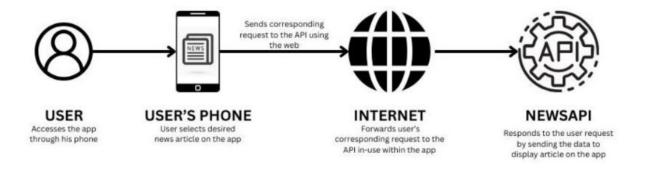
As a user, I want a visually appealing and easy-to-navigate interface for a pleasant user experience.



User Stories

User Type	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story / Task	Acceptance criteria	Priority	Release
Customer	Registration	USN-1	I can register as a user for the NewsApp by entering my email, password, and confirming my password.	I can access my account / dashboard	High	Sprint-1
		USN-2	I receive confirmation email once I have registered for the application	I can receive confirmation email & click confirm	High	Sprint-1
		USN-3	I can register for the app using my Google Account	I can register & access the dashboard with Google Login	Medium	Sprint-2
	Login	USN-4	I can login into the application by entering email and password		High	Sprint-1
		USN-5	I can login into the application by using my Google Account		Medium	Sprint-2
	Scrolling	USN-6	I can scroll through the various headlines that are displayed in the app by swiping		High	Sprint-1
		USN-7	I can switch through various news genres by clicking on designated tabs on the top of the app UI	The switching tabs work seamlessly	Medium	Sprint-2
	Search Bar	USN-8	I can search for any specific news that I want to using the search bar at the top of the screen	The search bar recognized the terms and shows search results accurately	High	Sprint-1

5.2 Solution Architecture



The solution architecture of "NewsFresh" involves various components and their interactions:

User Interface Layer (Jetpack Compose):

Responsible for creating a visually appealing and user-friendly interface for users to interact with.

Business Logic Layer:

Manages user preferences, notifications, and interfaces with the NewsAPI for news retrieval.

Data Access Layer (Retrofit, Coil, Local Database):

Utilizes Retrofit to fetch data from the NewsAPI.

Coil library optimizes image loading for news articles.

Local database stores user preferences and login data.

API Integration (NewsAPI and IP Geolocation API):

Interacts with the NewsAPI to gather real-time news content.

Utilizes the IP Geolocation API to personalize news content based on user location.

The solution architecture provides a clear overview of the system's components, their interactions, and their roles in ensuring the app's functionality and performance.

Conclusion

This section focuses on the design aspects of the "NewsFresh" app, including the data flow diagrams representing the flow of information and user stories detailing user requirements. Additionally, the solution architecture illustrates the various layers and components interacting to deliver the app's functionalities.

6. PROJECT PLANNING & SCHEDULING

6.1 Technical Architecture

The technical architecture of "NewsFresh" revolves around modern technologies and their integration:

Jetpack Compose: Forms the user interface layer, ensuring a modern and visually engaging user experience.

Retrofit: Facilitates communication with the NewsAPI to fetch real-time news content.

Coil: Manages efficient loading of news article images.

Dagger Hilt: Handles dependency injection for scalability and maintenance.

Local Database (SQLite/Room): Stores user preferences and login data securely.

6.2 Sprint Planning & Estimation

Product Backlog, Sprint Schedule, and Estimation (4 Marks):

Use the below template to create a product backlog and sprint schedule

Sprint	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story / Task	Story Points	Priority	Team Members
Sprint-1	Startup screen	USN01	As an end user, I want a well developed landing screen for my app	2	High	Aditya Harsh
Sprint-1	Splash Screen	USN02	As an end user, I want a professional looking app with a splash screen	1	low	Aditya Zaveri
Sprint-1	Navigation Bar Design	USN02	As a user, I need a good looking landing page with a log and a navigation bar	2	Low	Shwetambara Sahay
Sprint-1	Different news sections	USN02	As a user, I need different news sections for different types of news	2	Medium	Varun Sapra
Sprint-2	Navigation	USN03	As an end user, I want to navigate the app using a bottom navigation bar for easy access to different sections.	1	High	Varun Sapra

Sprint-3	Adding a news API	USN04	As an end user, i need fresh articles based on my location	5	High	Varun Sapra
Sprint-2	Viewing Content	USN05	As an end user, I want to view articles and images in a visually pleasing material design format.	3	High	Shwetambara Sahay
Sprint-4	Content Moderation	USN06	As an administrator, I want to moderate user-generated content for compliance with community guidelines.	5	High	Aditya Zaveri
Sprint-3	Search Functionality	USN07	As an end user, I want to search for specific articles or content.	3	High	Varun Sapra
Sprint-2	Dark Mode	USN08	As an end user, I want the option to enable dark mode for a more comfortable viewing experience in low-light environments.	2	Medium	Shwetambara Sahay
Sprint-4	Support Tickets	USN09	As a customer care executive, I want to view and manage user support tickets for quick issue resolution.	5	High	Aditya Zaveri
Sprint-3	User Management	USN10	As an administrator, I want to manage user accounts and permissions for the app.	5	High	Aditya Harsh

6.3 Sprint Delivery Schedule

Project Tracker, Velocity & Burndown Chart: (4 Marks):

Sprint	Total Story Points	Duration	Sprint Start Date	Sprint End Date (Planned)	Story Points Completed (as on Planned End Date)	Sprint Release Date (Actual)
Sprint-1	10	4 Days	18 Oct 2023	21 Oct 2023	10	21 Oct 2023
Sprint-2	6	7 Days	22 Oct 2023	28 Oct 2023	6	28 Oct 2023
Sprint-3	13	7 Days	29 Oct 2023	04 Nov 2023	N/A (in progress)	04 Nov 2023
Sprint-4	10	6 Days	05 Nov 2023	09 Nov 2023	N/A (in progress)	09 Nov 2023

Velocity:

Sprint	Sprint Duration	Total Velocity	Average Velocity (ΔV)
Sprint-1	4 days	10 points	2.5 points per day
Sprint-2	7 days	6 points	approx. 0.857 points per day
Sprint-3	7 days	13 points	approx. 1.857 points per day
Sprint-4	6 days	10 points	approx. 1.667 points per day

Conclusion

This section outlines the technical architecture supporting "NewsFresh" and presents a structured sprint-based plan for the app's development. The breakdown of tasks and estimations helps in understanding the project's timeline and the delivery schedule for each phase of development.

7. Coding and Solutioning

7.1 Feature 1: News Search Using Search Bar

Explanation:

The "News Search Using Search Bar" feature enables users to search for specific news content within the app. It involves the implementation of a search functionality that uses a Retrofit API call to search for news articles based on user input. The app typically includes an EditText field to input search queries and a button to trigger the search process. Upon user input, the app sends the search query to the NewsAPI using Retrofit, which then retrieves and displays relevant news articles matching the search query.

7.2 Feature 2: News Categories in App

Explanation:

"News Categories in App" feature provides users with predefined categories of news content, such as Technology, Science, Business, Health, Sports, etc. These categories are displayed within the app, often using a RecyclerView or a scrollable list, allowing users to select a specific category of news they are interested in. Users can navigate through these categories and select their preferred topic to view news articles specifically related to that category.

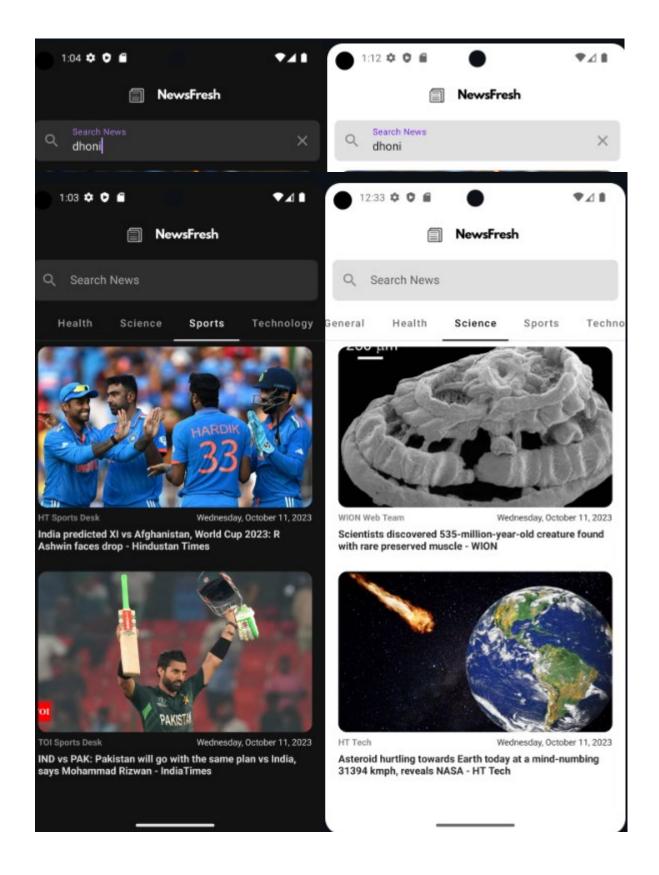
8. PERFORMANCE TESTING

8.1 Performance Metrics

S.No.	Parameter	Values	Screenshot
1.	Metrics	App Launch Time034ms Screen Render Time-201.1ms Code Quality- B	Build finished on 11/9/2023 10:16 PM Total build duration was 10.9s Includes: Build configuration: 10.9s - Optimize this Critical path tasks execution: 0.0s 00:04:25.438 Thread: Studio:CmdHdler Running 201.1 ms Details Unavailable CPU 100 % 00:04:15.850 App: 0 % Others: 0 % THREADS (36) Selection Unavailable
2.	Usage	App Size-6.1Mb Customer Experience- Smooth navigation, adheres to android design guidelines	Comparison Conference Comparison Color Color
3.	Performance	Error and Crash Rates-0%	

9. RESULTS

9.1 Output Screenshots



10. Advantages and Disadvantages

Advantages:

- 1. Personalized User Experience: Users can access personalized news based on their preferences and location, enhancing user engagement.
- 2. Real-Time Updates: Provides up-to-date news fetched from the NewsAPI, ensuring users receive the latest information.
- 3. User-Friendly Interface: The Jetpack Compose-based UI offers an intuitive and visually appealing experience, attracting and retaining users.
- 4. Efficient Image Loading: Utilizing Coil for optimized image loading ensures a visually rich presentation of news content.
- 5. Diverse News Categories: Users can explore various news categories, enhancing the diversity of available information.

Disadvantages:

- 1. Reliance on External APIs: Dependency on external APIs like NewsAPI could affect the app's performance if the API experiences downtime or changes in functionality.
- 2. Network Dependency: The app's performance heavily relies on network connectivity, potentially affecting user experience in low or unstable network conditions.
- 3. Complexity in Development: Integrating various libraries and APIs might increase the complexity of development, leading to potential technical challenges.
- 4. Resource Consumption: Continuous data retrieval and image loading might consume device resources, impacting battery life and device performance.

11. CONCLUSION

The development of "NewsFresh" signifies a substantial stride in creating a sophisticated and user-centric news application. Leveraging advanced technologies like Jetpack Compose, Retrofit, and the integration of APIs such as NewsAPI and IP Geolocation, the app is poised to revolutionize the way users consume news.

"NewsFresh" stands out for its commitment to delivering a visually captivating, personalized, and real-time news experience. It boasts a user-friendly interface that empowers users to access tailored news content, categorize articles according to their interests, and remain updated with the latest information. However, despite its innovative approach, the app encounters certain challenges that need to be addressed for seamless performance.

The reliance on external APIs poses a risk of potential disruptions due to API downtime or changes in functionality, impacting the app's performance. Additionally, the app's dependency on network connectivity might affect the user experience in areas with low or unstable network conditions. Moreover, integrating diverse libraries and APIs could lead to technical complexities during development, demanding proactive resolution.

However, through diligent measures, these challenges can be mitigated to ensure that the advantages of "NewsFresh" outweigh its limitations, providing a valuable and engaging user experience. Ensuring data privacy, optimizing network utilization, and addressing technical complexities will be pivotal to fortify the app's efficiency.

12. FUTURE SCOPE

The "NewsFresh" app's development lays the foundation for several future enhancements and expansions:

- 1. Al-Powered Recommendations: Implement machine learning algorithms to offer more accurate and personalized news recommendations based on user behavior and interests.
- 2. Social Sharing and Interactivity: Enable users to share articles, comment, or engage socially within the app to enhance community interaction.
- 3. Offline Mode: Implement offline access to previously viewed news content for users with limited or no network connectivity.
- 4. Audio/Video Integration: Expand content types to include audio and video news clips for a more engaging multimedia experience.
- 5. Enhanced Security Measures: Implement advanced security protocols to ensure robust data protection and user privacy.
- 6. Community Engagement Features: Include features such as forums, polls, or user-generated content to increase user engagement.

These future scopes aim to elevate "NewsFresh" to the next level by enhancing its user engagement, content diversity, and technological advancements, ensuring a more comprehensive and enriched news consumption experience for its users.

14. Appendix

14.1.

Source code: Uploaded on Github

14.2.

Github link: https://github.com/smartinternz02/SI-

GuidedProject-589372-1697080705

Project demo link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1l6pfDFTjYJNKO2K_ZLhEsrgl_KM-cwJ_/view?usp=sharing