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MAD Assignment - II

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Define a PWA and explain its significance in modern web app development. ~~Also~~ Discuss key characteristics that differentiate PWA's from mobile app.

A progressive ~~web~~ web app is a web dev capabilities to deliver an app-like experience to users. It represents a fundamental shift in how we approach web development by combining the best of web and native applications. Key characteristics of PWA is Traditional mobile app:-

Installation & distribution:-

PWA's: can be accessed easily through browser ~~and~~ Native. Require downloads from App stores.

Updates:-

PWA's: Update automatically when new content is available.

Traditional App: Require manual updates through app stores.

Cross-platform compatibility:-

PWA's: Work across platforms through web browsers.

Native: Work ~~cross~~ on platform specific OS.

PWA's: Work across platforms through web browsers.

(d) Key features of PWAs:

- (i) Progressive Enhancement: Works for all users regardless of browser choice.
- (ii) Responsive: Adapts to various screen sizes and orientations.
- (iii) Connectivity Independent: Functions offline with poor network.
- (iv) App-like interface.
- (v) Secure: Served via HTTPS.

(2) Responsive Web Design in PWAs:

Ans: Responsive Web Design (RWD) is an approach that makes web pages render well on different devices & window/screen sizes.

Importance

- Ensures consistent user experience on all devices.
- Improves accessibility and usability.
- Reduces maintenance overhead.
- Better overall SEO performance.
- Essential for PWA adoption.

Comparison of design approaches

a) Responsive design:

- Container {
width: 100%;
max-width: 1200px;

}

@media ~~max~~ (max-width: 768px) {
 • container {
 padding: 0 20px; }
 uses fluid grids
 Flexible images
 Media queries
 Single layout that adapts.

Fluid Design:
 • container {
 width: 90%;
 margin: 0 auto; }
 • column {
 width: 33.33%;
 float: left; }

Uses percentage-based width.
 Continuously adapts
 No breakpoints
 Smoother transitions

Adaptive designs:
 Uses distinct layouts
 Fixed width at breakpoints
 Device specific layouts
 Less flexible, but more controlled

Describe the lifestyle of service workers including registration, installation and activation phases.

Ans Service worker lifecycle phases

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several phases:-

(a) Registration

```
if ('serviceWorker' in navigator) {  
  navigator.serviceWorker.register('sw.js')  
    .then((registration) => {  
      console.log('Service Worker registered')  
    })  
    .catch((error) => console.log('fail', error))  
}
```

(b) Installation phase

```
self.addEventListener('install', event => {  
  event.waitUntil(  
    caches.open('v1').then(cache => {  
      return cache.add(AUI  
        '/'  
        '/styles/main.css'  
        'styles /app.js'  
        scripts  
      )  
    })  
  })  
})
```

(c)

Activation phase

```
self.addEventListener('activate', event => {  
  event.waitUntil(  
    caches.keys().then(cacheNames => {  
      return Promise.all(  
        cacheNames.map(cacheName => {  
          if (cacheName !== 'v1') {  
            return caches.delete(cacheName)  
          }  
        })  
      )  
    })  
  })  
})
```

Explain the use of InfluxDB in the Service Worker for data storage.

InfluxDB is a ~~low-level~~ ^{low-level} API for client-side storage of significant amounts of structured data. ~~It's used~~ ^{It is used} in service workers in the following manner:

~~Opening a database~~
 Key characteristics
 Offline data storage
 Large data sets support
 Structured data storage
 Transactional Database operations
 Multiple Storage types support
 Asynchronous API
 Complex data queries.

Core components:

Database: Highest level of storage.

Object Store: Similar to table in SQL

Index: For faster searching of records

Transactions: Groups operations together for data integrity.

Cursor: For iterating over multiple records.

Operations:

~~Basic Use~~ Basic Use

Opening a database connection

Creating object stores

- Adding / Updating records.
- Querying data using indexes.
- Deleting records
- Using transactions for data consistency

~~Common use~~

~~Common use cases~~

- Offline data storage
- Caching application data
- Storing user-generated content
- Client-side database for webapps.
- Temporary storage for pending uploads

