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ABSTRACT

In a world where health risks related to diet are of growing concern, the Android-based Diet Consultant application emerges as a proactive solution. This application is meticulously crafted to simplify and promote healthy dietary practices and lifestyle choices by comparing the existing implementation in the market as explored in Chapter 2 during the Literature Review. Serving as a virtual dietitian, it empowers users to effortlessly generate personalized diet plans, as detailed in Chapter 4, eliminating the need for traditional in-person consultations. This not only saves valuable time but also allows users to create tailored dietary regimens based on their individual data with unparalleled ease, a process outlined in Chapter 4 as part of the Project Specification. Beyond diet planning, as discussed in Chapter 5 during the Design phase, the application actively monitors and tracks user progress, providing insights and feedback for a holistic health journey. Moreover, the inclusion of an AI diet chatbot, implemented in Chapter 6 during the Implementation phase, further enhances the user experience by offering practical solutions to contemporary health inquiries. Harnessing the power of artificial intelligence, as detailed in Chapter 6, the Android-based Diet Consultant application empowers users to seize control of their health and contribute to a healthier, more informed future. As we delve deeper into the chapters, we will explore the meticulous methodologies and work plan, as presented in Chapter 3, the detailed system architecture design in Chapter 5, and the comprehensive testing and evaluation process in Chapter 7. Finally, in Chapter 8, we conclude by reflecting on the achievement of objectives, acknowledging limitations, and providing recommendations for future work.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS / ABBREVIATIONS

API	Application programming interface
SDLC	Software development lifecycle
AI	Artificial Intelligence
FR	Functional Requirement
NFR	Non-Functional Requirement
UPF	Ultra-Processed Food
BMI	Body Mass Index
BMR	Basal Metabolic Rate
SVM	Support Vector Machine
IID	Incremental and Iterative Development
WBS	Work Breakdown Structure

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

The proposed project entails the development of an Android-based Diet Consulting application in response to the prevalent health risks faced by today's generation. These health concerns necessitate the creation of a new mobile application that can offer individualized balanced diet plans tailored to each user's personal data. It's noteworthy that the World Health Organization (WHO) has classified various diseases associated with excess body mass based on extensive epidemiological studies. The mobile application under development incorporates artificial intelligence to simulate the role of a real dietitian effectively. It securely stores user information related to diet, health, and physical attributes, enabling data analysis to determine the most suitable diet plan for each user. Consequently, users of this application no longer require in-person visits to dietitians, saving them time while obtaining their required diet plans instantly. Furthermore, the application offers a comprehensive progress tracking feature by recording diet outcomes in a chart format.

The final deliverables for this project encompass an Android-based diet consultant mobile application that facilitates quick access to dietary information, enables user profile creation, provides essential food-related guidance in accordance with the diet plan, records diet outcomes for tracking progress or results, and employs artificial intelligence to evaluate the user's diet plan based on various metrics and criteria.

1.2 Problem Statement

Everyone always dreams to own a good health which can have a significant impact our quality of life to allow us to enjoy daily activities, achieve our life goals and lead to a fulfilling life. However, most individuals in Malaysia tends to struggle to maintain and living in a good health because there is too much distraction outside there unless that individual is very discipline and consistent and has his own plan clear in his mind. There are several boundaries of diet issues including taste preferences, personal and social factors, employment status, acculturation, and access to personal transportation and many more as this eventually causes under- or over-eating leading to consuming too much or too less nutrients per day and lacking physical exercise. In a long-term view, this will increase the risk of several diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes, and other conditions (Ramadas et al., 2021).

Malaysia has shown limited progress towards achieving the diet-related non-communicable disease (NCD) targets. 20.9% of adult women which aged 18 years and over and 15.9% of adult men are living with obesity. Malaysia's obesity prevalence is higher than the regional average of 10.3% for women and 7.5% for men. At the same time, diabetes is estimated to affect 11.9% of adult women and 13.1% of adult men (Global Nutrition Report, n.d.). Other than that, limited access of knowledge to diet or nutrition stuff also causes diet problem as well. Hence, by implementing this application in daily life, an individual is always reminded to stick to their own diet plan and able to consult for diet plan anytime or anywhere in just a tap.

1.2.1 Imbalanced dietary

A bad diet does not happen overnight, it is a bad habit that adopted by human gradually over time. A bad diet is about overeating or imbalanced meal whereas a most preferrable healthy diet is eating in a moderate portion of food per meal as some people tend to eat in big portions by having a lot of oily and less fibre food. Then, most people in Malaysia skips breakfast to lose weight or even to save expenses. Majority of people thought that it was a win-win situation, but this will bring opposite outcome as individuals might eat more during lunch

which led to overconsumption and hence, breakfast must not be skipped. Lastly, modern people less likely to drink sufficient water each day because of packed working schedule. Packed working schedule also makes individuals often forget about consuming sufficient water which makes the body mistake the thirst for hunger. This condition will cause people who drinks less water to feel hungry and always feels like craving for food (Othman, 2021).

1.2.2 Increasing indiscipline lifestyle

Maintaining a healthy and balanced diet which becoming a challenge for many individuals due to packed schedules, lack of discipline and lack of knowledge on diet. These challenges normally exist among working adults, obese person, old adults, etc. Despite the abundance of available information online, it is still difficult for people to create and follow a personalized nutrition plan that meet the individual's own preferences and health goals. As a result, many individuals struggle to make healthy food choices which leads to an increase in diet-related health problems. This problem mainly affects the following groups.

1.2.3 Increasing mental health issue

Peoples are always taught that having a good diet will helps in building a better physical health, but often neglect that diet will also affect mental health significantly too. Imbalance diet will lead to fatigue, impaired decision making, and can slow down reaction time. In fact, a bad diet can aggravate and may lead to major stress and depression issue as well. According to the American Dietetic Association, people tend to under- or over-eating when depressed or under stress. Poor diet when struggling with stress and depression will probably resulting in either weight gain or weight loss which is not good for the body in a long run as it may affect concentration and ability to memorize stuff (Health, n.d.).

1.3 Aim and Objectives

To address the issue which increasing in diet-related health problems, a diet consulting application that provide users with personalized diet plans, meal suggestions, and other features to help them achieve their health goals and make informed decisions about their diet by using Artificial Intelligence (AI) calculation algorithm.

Objectives:

1. To investigate diet and health related data for the proposed mobile application.
2. To conduct a business analysis based on existing application that is similar with this project.
3. To develop an android based mobile application that assist an individual to improve their diet.
4. To conduct an evaluation of the built mobile application with the target user.

1.4 Proposed Solution

Figure 1.1 depicted the system architecture of this application. Flutter served as the primary programming framework for this project. Development and testing were facilitated through Android Studio. The mobile application developed consisted of several features, including a progress tracker, personal profile, chatbot, generate diet plan, feedback, etc. The user's information, such as name, password, health attributes, nutrient intake, and many more, were securely stored in Firebase, a cloud-based real-time database and authentication service. Firebase offered robust data synchronization and authentication features, ensuring user data was both accessible and protected. Artificial Intelligence capabilities were leveraged through the OpenAI API. This API enabled the application to provide advanced AI-driven features, such as personalized meal planning and a virtual diet chatbot function, allowing users to interact naturally and receive health-related advice and information.

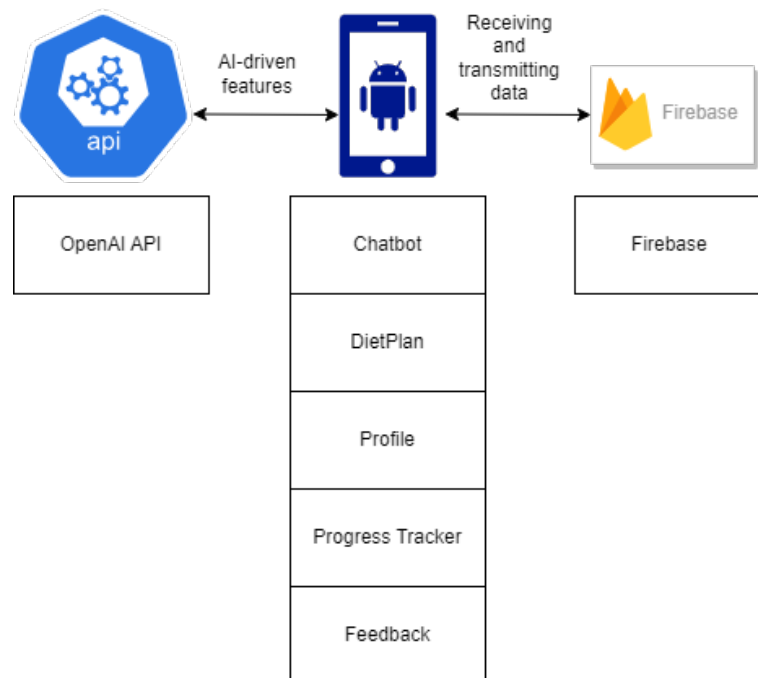


Figure 1.1.1 : System Architecture Overview

1.5 Proposed Approach

1.5.1 Research Approach

Quantitative research played an important role during data collection from a big group of diverse respondents and was implemented in the proposed project. It was commonly used to make predictions, discover facts, and test existing hypotheses among research to test theories about how or why certain events occur by finding evidence that supported or disproved the theories (Williams, 2021). The data could be clearly communicated through graphical visualization of statistics. It also provided a hard number on how the majority proportion of people thought, behaved, and felt in a certain way to back up the ideas.

The approach used in this project was questionnaires in Google Forms. The purpose of using this approach was to collect a sufficient dataset and suggestions from the target respondents. The response information of the questionnaire helped to visualize by generating a chart to be reviewed easily to gain insight into data. This enabled data exploration and communicated results to help find interesting regions and a suitable approach on certain functions. Furthermore, it was crucial to obtain user input to further support the project scope so that the application's deliverables would fulfil the user requirements.

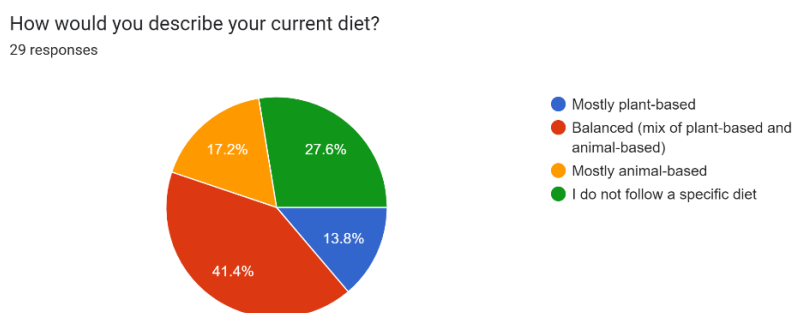


Figure 1.2 :Sample pie chart collected in Google Form.

1.5.2 Development Approach

For this project, an iterative and incremental development approach was selected as the preferred method of development. It was one of the types of SDLC models that constructed a partial implementation of a total system initially so that it would be in a deliverable state. Next, extra functionality was

added to increase the system's usefulness. If there were any defects that occurred before delivering the product, the defective function was then fixed, and a working product was delivered. The process was repeated throughout the entire product development process until it was completed. The repetitions of these processes were called iterations, and each iteration delivered a product increment (Anon, 2019).

The SDLC's iterative and incremental development model was preferred for this project because the initial product delivery was faster as it performed a partial implementation of a total system at the beginning and had a faster delivery of an initial product. The initial product could be tested and experienced by the target users of the system, and their feedback was used to further improve the system. If there were any changes in requirements, developers were able to repeat the development process once again, known as another iteration, to make changes according to the user requirements. The iterations continued until the final deliverable was produced, and the application was released to the market. This improved the collaboration between developers and end-users of the system to ensure the system met expectations, which eventually helped reduce the risk of project failure.

1.6 Project Scope

This project developed an android-based diet consulting application that adopted artificial intelligence for certain functionalities.

Firstly, the application could provide a diet plan or advice based on the user's criteria. The application was able to provide a diet plan based on the user's medical condition, food preferences, and health attributes. Medical condition referred to the illness or health problem of an individual, ranging from mild to severe. Food preferences referred to the individual's preferences on food, whether they liked or disliked certain foods, which could vary according to the individual's cultural background, genetics, experience, and more. Health attributes included characteristics of food such as vitamins, protein, fiber, etc., which contributed to an individual's health benefits. After analyzing all this data, the AI was able to prompt diet consulting advice like a real dietitian. Dietary information was shown to the user with just a click, eliminating the need to visit a dietitian physically. The dietary information was updated from time to time according to the user's criteria, as the user's medical condition and health attributes were key variables in analysing suitable dietary information.

Secondly, the application was able to generate basic food information in the diet plan. It could generate a list of healthy and delicious food recipes that were customizable based on the user's dietary needs and planning. Personalized diet meal plans were generated when the user intended to do so, and they covered the most basic meals of the day. The meal plan was fully randomized, but the food was selected based on the user's information and criteria.

Thirdly, the application was capable of recording the outcome of the diet to keep track and show the progress of the user's diet. It stored past data and visualized the trend of the user's relevant health indicators in a graph. This helped the user track their physical health and monitor their progress in achieving their health goals.

Moreover, the application protected the privacy and security of user's personal information and health data. Some users might have wanted to keep

their health data to themselves for privacy reasons. Others preferred to keep their user information, such as medical condition, nutrient intake, food preferences, and health attributes, confidential because the data was often sensitive and could be used for identity theft, fraud, or other criminal purposes.

The target users ranged from 18 to 64 years old. The reason for this choice was that the 18-24 and 25-34 age groups were often busy academically or financially and might not have emphasized maintaining or implementing a healthy lifestyle. These age groups were typically busy with packed schedules, which made it inconvenient to travel. This increased the risk of developing mental or physical health issues. Introducing this application allowed users to be reminded to monitor their current lifestyle and diet and access verified diet plans to take care of their dietary progress with just a tap.

The android version proposed for this project was Android 12. Android 12 update provided more powerful and accessible controls over how applications accessed data, including a new isolated section of the operating system that allowed artificial intelligence features to operate entirely on a device without potential network access or data exposure (Raphael, 2020).

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction

Rapid and noticeable socioeconomic advancements in Malaysia over the last two decades have led to significant shifts in community lifestyles. The significant changes in the dietary patterns of Malaysia includes increased consumption of fats, oils, and refined carbohydrates. This will eventually resulting increased in percentage of fat for daily intake. Malaysia is the fattest country in Asia according to World Health Organization (WHO) in 2019. The main reason is because majority of Malaysians are having sedentary lifestyle, stress and diet which consists of large amount of ultra-processed foods (UPFs) that can be some of the reasons that led to the major problem of obesity and underweight in this country. A cross-sectional survey of dietary habits and nutrient intake discovered that a high consumption of UPFs was associated with a high BMI, a larger waist circumference (WC), and an increased risk of being obese when compared to a low consumption of UPFs (Zheng Yii, 2021). Rapid growth in industrialization and urbanization in recent decades have inevitably resulted in dietary changes of Malaysian society. Double burden of overweight and underweight situations lead to increases of getting diet-related non-communicable diseases such as hypertension, cardiovascular diseases and certain forms of cancers. In conjunction with the 12th Malaysia Plan (2021-2025) of achieving a decent standard of living, the National Plan of Action for Nutrition of Malaysia (NPANM) III (2016-2025), which is in line with the National Nutrition Policy (NNP) 2005, plays a significant role in raising whole nations' nutritional well-being through a series of appropriate strategies and activities to address this problem. Strengthening food and nutrition research and development is one of the NPANM III (2016-2025) recommended facilitating strategies for the implementation and evaluation of evidence-based nutrition programmes in Malaysia. Research and development play a vital role in food and nutrition services to keep pace with latest nutrition health care policies and practices which continuously help in improving lifestyle quality and drives

innovative technological idea related to food and nutrition (Ministry of Health Malaysia, 2020).

A diet consulting application is able to bring increase in quality of lifestyle, brings confidence on own physical attribute and to the user. A literature review of relevant topics and similar systems was undertaken to gain a better understanding of how to construct and design the application. This chapter studies on how to construct the development framework and understand on health-related calculation metrics. Furthermore, mobile applications should be evaluated to ensure that they meet the user requirements that have been developed. To build an AI chatbot that is able to provide a tailored diet consulting advice to user, several measurement methods are evaluated to identify the most suitable algorithm or calculation for this project. The main focuses of this part are:

1. To analyze the differences between dietician and nutritionist.
2. To research on the calculation's metrics and algorithms from related works.
3. To make review on similar existing diet consulting application.
4. To understand BMR, BMI, percentage of fats and muscle mass as calculation metrics from related works.
5. To understand machine learning and artificial intelligence related algorithm.
6. To review effect of diet consulting activity.
7. To analyse literature review outcomes.

2.2 Differences between dietitian and nutritionist

Dietitian and nutritionist both help people find the best diets and foods to meet their personal health needs, but they actually have a difference in certain areas. The simplest way to understand the distinction between dietitians and nutritionists is to consider dietetics as a specialty in addition to nutrition studies. A nutritionist is someone who uses nutrition and food knowledge to help people live healthier lives. They primarily work at the community, institutional, and population levels to provide health-promoting food information and advice. Priorities for some nutritionists have shifted with current world's changing environment into food sustainability. The focus is now on ensuring a healthy food supply that is distributed equitably across the world population in order to reduce waste and impact of global warming. Dietitians have additional qualifications to work one-on-one with patients in a clinical setting. Dietitians can work in any of the areas that nutritionist work, but dietitians can provide nutrition advice for treatment of a broad range of diseases and health conditions in addition. For example, dietitian can work clinically with individuals who have conditions such as diabetes, food allergies, gastrointestinal disorders and dietitian is able to provide helpful nutritional advice to help them improve their conditions (Anon).

2.3 Similar Systems Review

Diet planning is a very popular topic today among most people especially among social media influencer who wants to keep fit since smartphones and mobile applications are becoming increasingly popular in day-to-day human activities and lifestyles. This project is called an Android-based Diet Consultant which is a mobile application with artificial intelligence related to human diets. It will act as a diet consultant in real life by giving tailored diet plan to user with the support of artificial intelligence key technology. Artificial intelligence technologies are used to make decisions about diet plans based on user inputs. In this section, a comparison will be made among existing diet related applications, along with a discussion of their advantages and disadvantages. An application review matrix was built to create a checklist on the basic details of each existing application which discovered through relevant work or user reviews.

2.3.1 Existing Application Comparative Analysis

Currently, diet applications have become a new trend for promoting healthy lifestyles and tracking eating pattern and habits in individuals. Diet and nutrition applications have become increasingly common and are used by many individual to track their overall health, track their food intake and also to monitor their nutrient consumption. With the abundance of diet application in the market, it is critical to compare their features in order to identify their capabilities and limitations. For this comparative analysis, the selected applications were MyFitnessPal, MyNutriDiari, Lifesum, My Diet Coach and Lost it!. Five of them have some common features such as personalized meal plans, calorie and nutrient tracker, water and fitness tracker, integration with wearables devices, recipes and meal suggestions, goal tracking and AI chatbot. However certain features only available in premium version for some applications. Some figures are attached below to give a clearer illustration on how some of the features work.

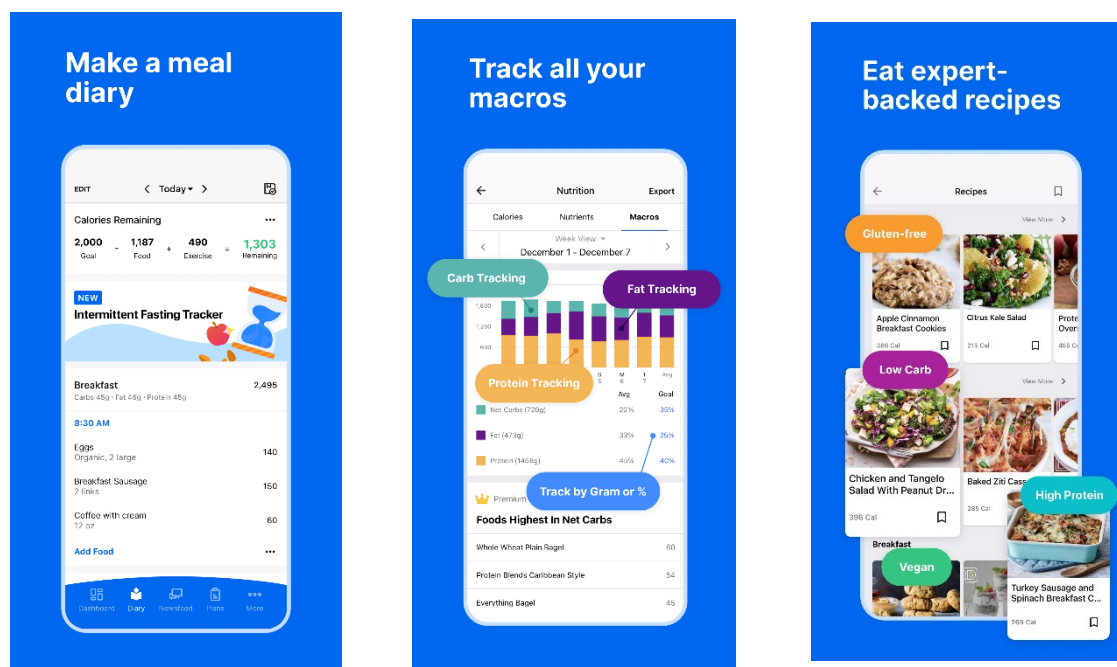


Figure 2.1: MyFitnessPal

MyFitnessPal is a popular app for tracking diet and exercise. The calorie tracking function in the application is one of the most useful features with a database of over six million food menu choices. Users can also connect

with friends for support and set weight loss or goals. MyFitnessPal can integrate with other health apps such as Fitbit, Apple Health, and Samsung Health. In short, users choose MyFitnessPal because of its matured extensive database and well-integrated with other applications and tools. Figure 2.1 shows the sample interface and screen of the application to give illustration on how the features work.

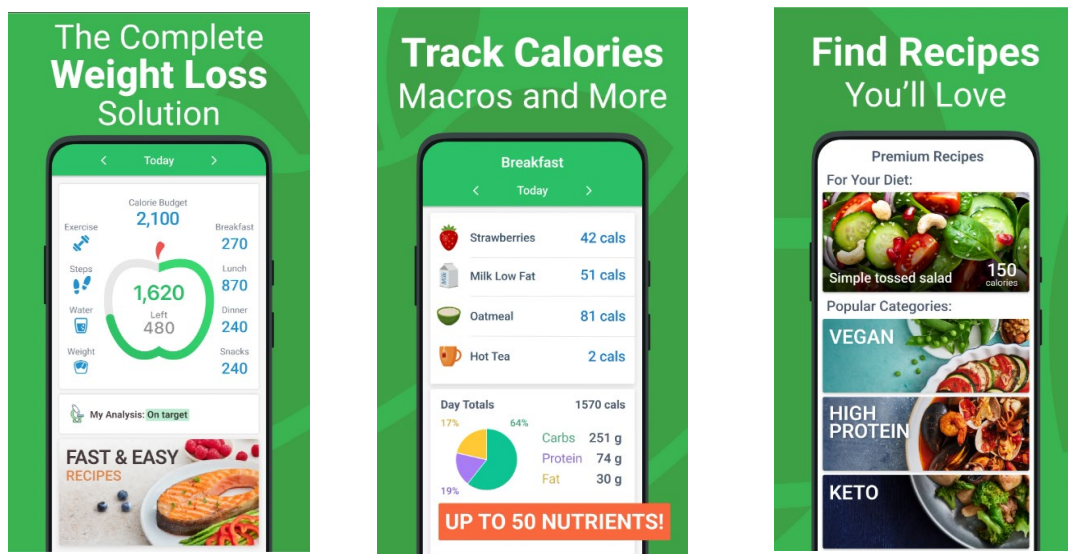


Figure 2.2: MyNetDiary

MyNetDiary is a diet-tracking app that allows users to keep track of their food intake, exercise, and weight. The application offers personalized meal plans feature and food recommendations based on the user's specific goals and dietary needs. MyNetDiary also has a barcode scanner feature that allows users to input food information easily. Users choose MyNetDiary for its personalized meal plans and barcode scanner. The interface and screen of the application are depicted in Figure 2.2, which provides a visual representation of how the features operate.

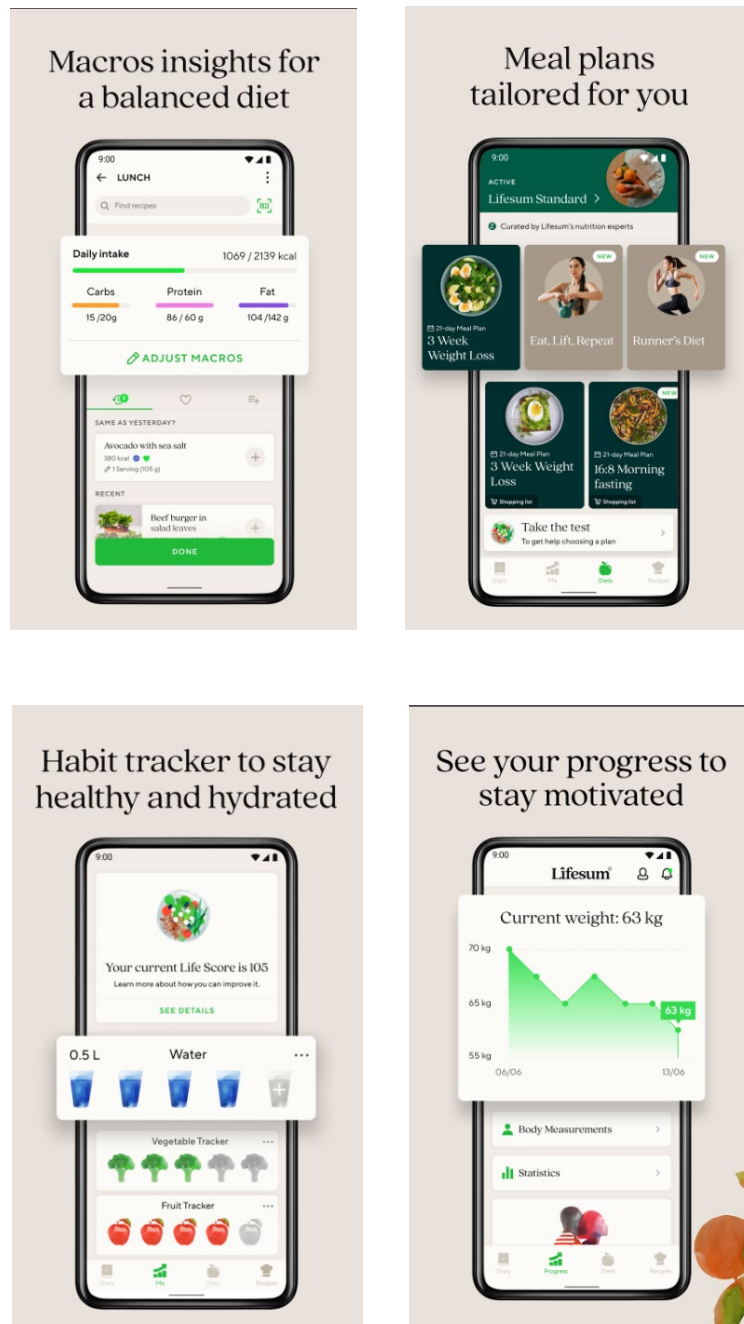


Figure 2.3: Lifesum

Lifesum is a health and fitness app that offers personalized meal plans and recipes based on the user's dietary preferences and goals. It also tracks exercise and water intake and also offers a community feature where users can connect and support each other. Lifesum's premium subscription offers even more personalized content, such as access to a personal nutritionist. Users choose Lifesum for its personalized meal plans and recipes, and the community

support feature. Figure 2.3 displays the application's interface and screen, providing a comprehensive example of how the features operate.

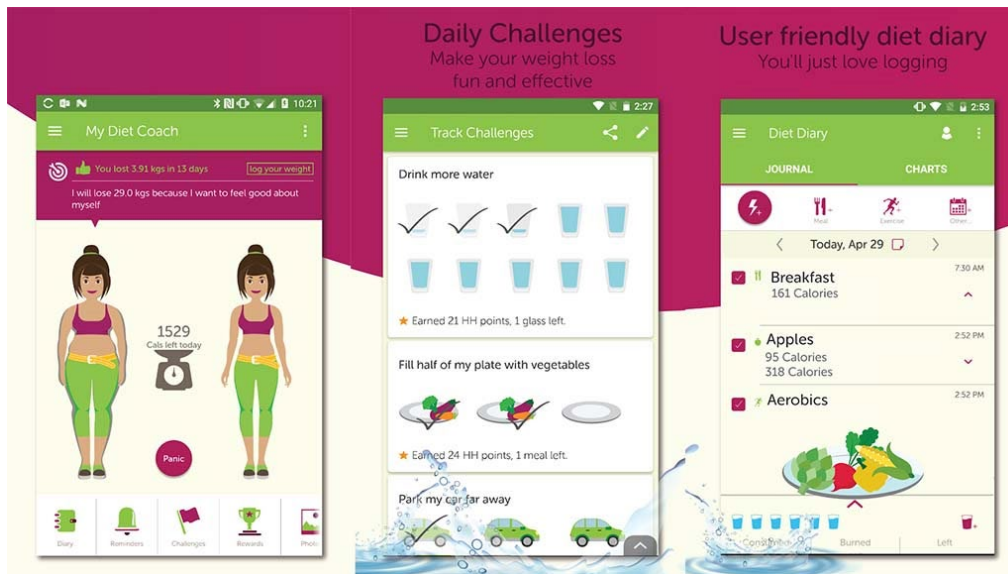


Figure 2.4: My Diet Coach (Anon, 2022).

My Diet Coach is a weight loss app that offers motivational tools such as goal tracking, reminders, and daily challenges. It also offers progress tracking and a journaling feature to help users stay accountable. My Diet Coach also provides tips and advice for healthy eating and exercise. Users choose My Diet Coach for its motivational tools and support. Figure 2.4 shows the sample interface and screen of the application to give a clearer illustration of how the screens flow.

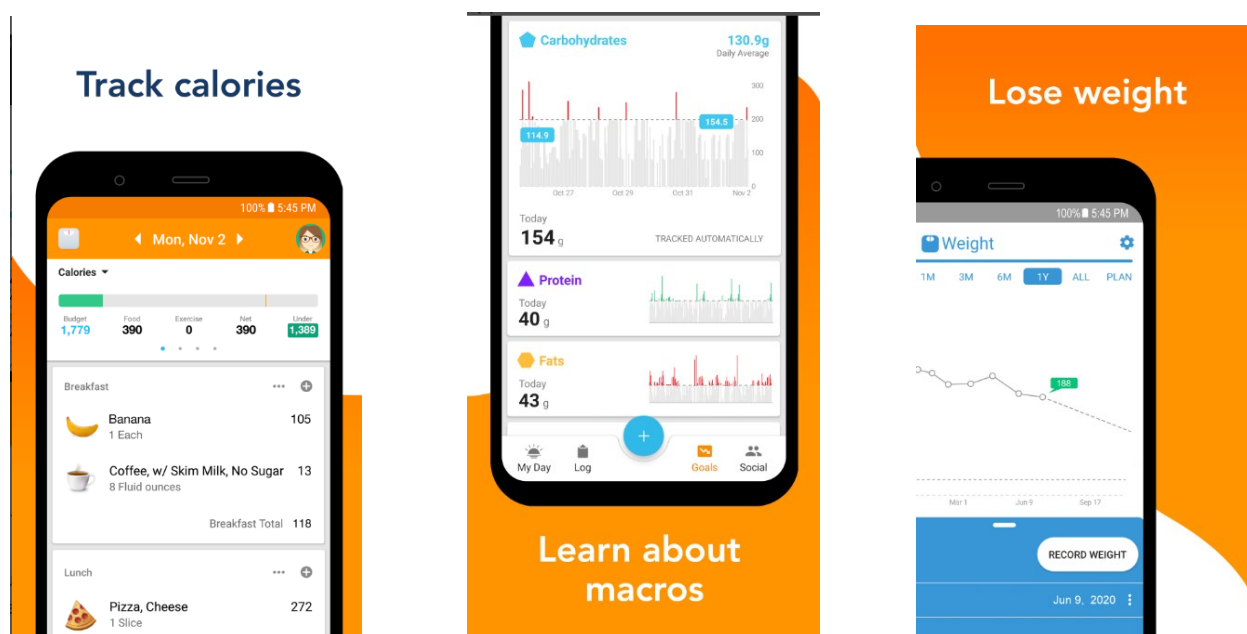


Figure 2.5: Lost It!

Lost It! is a popular application that allows users to track their food intake and exercise, set personal goals, and connect within a community. It can do pretty much everything a calorie-counting application can do. One of its unique features is the ability to create challenges with other individuals, which encourages friendly competition in burning their fats. Lost It! also can integrate with a wide range of applications and devices, such as Apple Health and Fitbit. Besides, there are more features such as a barcode scanner in the premium version. In conclusion, users choose Lost It! for its social and competitive features, and integration with other apps and devices. The sample interface and screen of the application are illustrated in Figure 2.5, which offers a more detailed view of how the features function.

The following is a summary of the feature comparison of the five existing diet-related applications that were evaluated. The common features listed in Table 1 below will be considered when determining the project scope and implementation.

Table 2.1: Features comparison among the existing similar application

	Similar Diet Related Application					
Application Name	MyFitnessPal	MyNetDiary	Lifesum	My Diet Coach	Lost it!	Current Working Project
Feature						
Personalized meal plans	✓(Premium)	✓(Premium)	✓(Limited)	✓(Limited)	✓(Limited)	✓
Calorie tracker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nutrient tracker	✓	✓	✓(Limited)	✓(Limited)	✓	✗
Water intake tracker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fitness tracker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Integration with wearable devices	✓(Limited)	✓(Limited)	✓(Premium)	✓	✓	✓
Recipes and meal suggestions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓(Limited)	✓
Goal Tracking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AI Chatbot	✗	✗	✓(Premium)	✓(Premium)	✗	✓

After reviewing these 5 existing similar applications in the market, the special features of each existing similar system are evaluated and will be referred in order to assist in determining and creating the features of the proposed application. Basically, the proposed application has almost all the majority features listed in Table 1 except for nutrient tracking. This is because nutrient needs can vary greatly depending on every individual factor such as age, gender, genetics, metabolism rate, etc which make it difficult to provide personalized meal plans from the complexity of the calculation algorithms. By focusing more on the easier and simple trackable metrics such as, calorie intake

and fitness level the proposed project still can provide valuable personalized information to users. The main features, AI chatbot also available in the proposed project which is not offered in most of the existing application and usually offered only in the premium features. Hence, the proposed application will be able to bring greater value to the users.

2.4 Body Mass Index (BMI)

The number of calories in the food consumed in daily life determines whether a person can lose or gain weight on a diet. To lose weight, one must adjust one's diet and daily activities so that the calories used by the body outweigh the calories absorbed by the body. When the calories absorbed by the body outweigh the calories used by the body to eat, the excess calories are retained in the form of fat reserves, which impacts a person's weight gain. Hence, BMI can be related to this proposed project as it is a commonly used metric for determining an individual's weight or even health status. In the proposed project, BMI can be used as one of the calculation metrics in determining an individual's daily calorie needs and then creates a personalized diet plan from it. With the calculation of the BMI, the application can better understand to make an appropriate recommendations for each underweight or overweight user. The first step in determining the fact that a person has a healthy weight is to compute the body mass index (BMI) by using a popular formula. BMI is the ratio of weight divided by the square of one's height, which can be computed as the formula below:

$$BMI = \frac{Body\ Weight(kg)}{Body\ Height(m^2)}$$

Generally, the calculated value will be on the small side for skinny people and has greater value for obese people (Anggraeni, n.d.). Classification of value can be illustrated in the following table:

Table 2.2: BMI (Anggraeni, n.d.)

BMI	Classification
< 14.9	Severely Underweight
15 – 18.4	Underweight
18.5 – 22.9	Normal
23 – 27.5	Overweight

27.6 – 40	Obese
> 40	Severely Obese

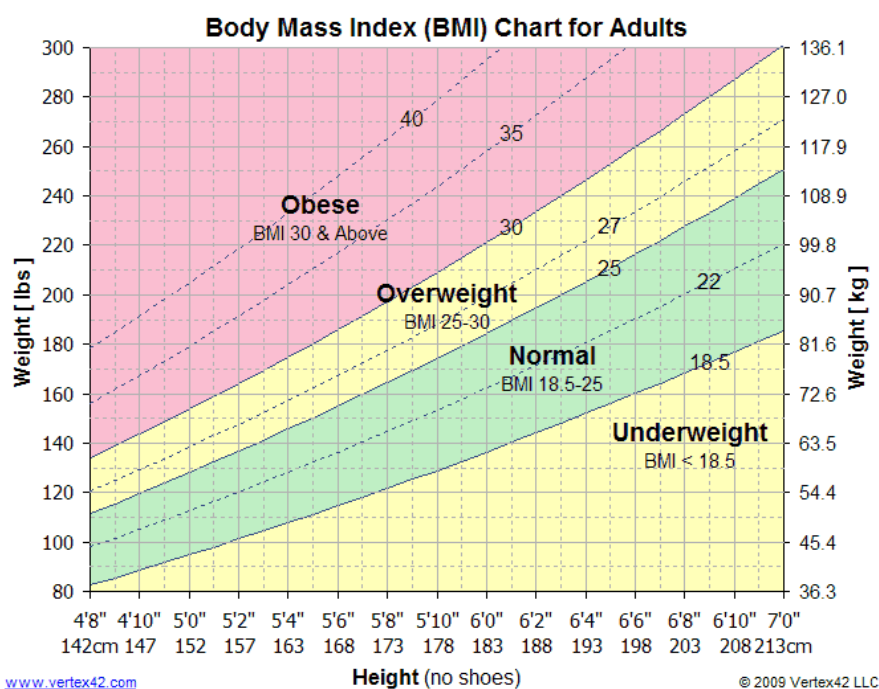


Figure 2.6: Body Mass Index (BMI) Chart for Adults (Wittwer, 2018)

A BMI Chart, also known as a Body Mass Index Chart, is a helpful tool for visualising the weight ranges for underweight, healthy weight, overweight, and obesity by referring on a person's height. Due to its simplicity, the BMI formula has grown in popularity as an initial diagnostic method for determining a person's ideal body weight. This information can help users to set goals for maintaining their diet plan or reaching their weight loss target and also provide guidance on generating the diet plan. However, the formula has flaws because it does not account for age, frame size, gender, or muscularity. For instance, BMI can be used for accessing the risk of getting obesity and encountering health issues but it is still not a perfect measure of health and may not be suitable for certain group of individuals that has high muscle mass such as athletes (Wittwer, 2018).

2.5 Basal Metabolic Rate (BMR)

Basal Metabolic Rate can be used to assist on gaining, losing or even maintaining a person's weight. The BMR is commonly used to calculate our body's daily calorie intake so that the application can provide a more accurate calorie recommendations for the generation of personalized diet plan. BMR is the amount of energy or calories required by the body while at rest. So, even when we do not indulge, our bodies require a certain amount of energy or calories to function properly. The number of calories or energy can only power the organ, which happens to be a vital organ in our bodies. The greater a person's muscle mass, the more energy or calories your body requires to maintain its stability. These BMR can be calculated using a variety of formulas. It utilises the Mifflin-St Jeor equation this time (Anggraeni, n.d.).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Male: BMR} &= (10 \times \text{weight}(kg)) + (6.25 \times \text{height}(cm)) \\ &\quad - (5 \times \text{age}(yrs)) + 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Female: BMR} &= (10 \times \text{weight}(kg)) + (6.25 \times \text{height}(cm)) \\ &\quad - (5 \times \text{age}(yrs)) - 161 \end{aligned}$$

BMR calculations differ for each individual based on their level of physical activity. To obtain a much more precise calculation, the results of BMR calculation using the table below (Table 4) should be multiplied by an activity factor determined by daily activities.

Table 2.3: BMR Activity and Factor

Activity	Activity Factor
No exercise	1.2
Light	1.3
Moderate	1.6
Heavy	1.9

BMR is a crucial calculation metrics in determining an individual's daily caloric needs. By understanding an individual's BMR can help in developing a better personalized diet plan based on their daily calorie needs. A personalised diet plan can be suggested better by using an individual's BMR to help them achieve their specific goals by ensuring that they consume an appropriate number of

calories that matches their daily energy needs. In short, BMR can be applied during the creation of personalized diet plan for each individual based on their own specific metabolic rate although BMR is not the perfect indicators of health but by factoring it in this metrics, the creation of personalized diet plan will be more accurate.

2.6 Percentage of Fats

Body fat is an essential energy reserve in the body, which comprises adipose tissue made up of adipocytes, blood vessels, and nerves. The formation of fat cells occurs primarily during infancy and adolescence, and the number of fat cells remains relatively stable throughout adulthood. While weight gain can lead to the enlargement of existing fat cells, weight loss predominantly involves a decrease in their size rather than the total number of adipocytes. Measuring total body fat percentage is an essential health indicator since excessive body fat accumulation is associated with an increased risk of various chronic diseases, including heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, and certain cancers (Forbes, n.d.).

However, these conditions can be prevented by monitoring and maintaining on to a healthy level of body fat percentage. A registered dietitian can help to design a safe, nutritious, sustainable meal plan that controlling a person's percentage of body fats at a healthy level to meet that individual's goal. Body fat percentage might differ for both men and women and it also reflects how physically active and fit that that person. It is a known fact that women generally tend to have a higher body fat percentage than men. This is because women's bodies have evolved to meet the unique demands of childbirth and other hormonal factors that contribute to higher body fat levels. As a result, the average body fat percentage for women is slightly higher than that of men (Forbes, n.d.). Normally, percentage of body fat can be measured in various method such as hydrostatic weighing, bioelectrical impedance analysis(BIA) scales, etc. Healthy body fat percentage ranges for both men and women which considered healthy are shown in Table 4 below:

Table 2.4: Healthy body fat percentage for men and women (Forbes, n.d.).

Healthy Body Fat Percentage For Men and Women		
Age	Body Fat Percentage for Men	Body Fat Percentage for Women
20-39	8%-19%	21%-32%
40-59	11%-21%	23%-33%
60-79	13%-24%	24%-35%

The percentage of body fat is one the crucial calculation metrics on increase the accuracy of suggesting the personalized diet plan to the user of this proposed application. By knowing the percentage of the body fats of an individuals can help to understand more on an individual's fitness level and finding out the optimal body fat level. Body fat can be used to determine the appropriate calorie intake matching an individual's goals by providing a suitable a personalized diet plan. For instance, an individual that has a high percentage of body fat and aims to reduce their body weight, their calorie intake must be lower than an individual with a lower percentage of body fat. With the use of percentage of body fats as the calculation metrics, the proposed application will be able to enhance the personalized features accuracy based each individual's body fat level.

2.7 Muscle Mass

The weight of skeletal muscle in an individual's body, commonly referred to as muscle mass, can account for up to 40% of their total body weight. It also refers to the amount of soft muscle tissue in the body which primarily help with movement and maintaining a person's posture. A body's collective muscle tissue constitutes its muscle mass which also refers to a common term called 'skeletal muscle'. Skeletal muscle plays a key. By taking muscle mass into the calculation metric on indicating an individual's health status. Determining an individual's muscle mass is typically more challenging than calculating their BMI. However, with advances in technology, measuring muscle mass has become increasingly accessible and convenient. For example, DEXA scan that commonly used for measuring body composition able to indicate the muscle mass in an individual (Anon, 2019). Table 5 illustrated an overall picture of an idea for muscle mass percentages for different age group on both men and women.

Table 2.5: Muscle mass percentage (Kirsten Nunez, 2019).

Age	Muscle mass percentage averages for men (%)	Muscle mass percentage averages for women (%)
18-35	40-44	31-33
36-55	36-40	29-31
56-75	56-75	27-30
76-85	<31	<26

Muscle mass can be one of the important calculation metrics for the personalized diet plan as it can indicate the amount of lean body mass an individual has. By understanding an individual's muscle mass can help in improving the process of determining the suggestion for diet plan that is able to meet the user's energy needs while supporting muscle growth for user of the proposed application. This indicator for muscle mass can also help in tracking muscle mass from time to time to keep track on the effectiveness of the proposed diet plan by the application.

2.8 Rule-Based System Technique (RBS)

A rule-based system (RBS) is a type of Artificial Intelligence method that uses human-created rules to store, sort, and manipulate data. This unique attribute of imitating human intelligence involves the use of rule-based systems, which necessitate a collection of facts or a data source, along with a set of regulations to effectively manipulate that data. These rules are frequently referred to as 'If statements' because they appear to follow the pattern of 'IF X occurs THEN do Y'. Figure 2.7 depicts the operation of the rule-based system technique (Farid, 2021).

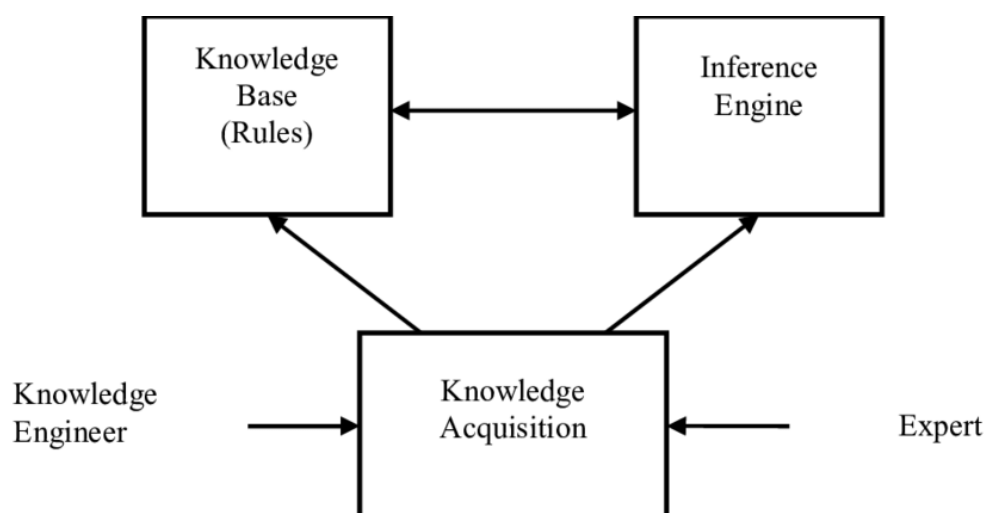


Figure 2.7 Basic architecture of rule-based system (Salah Gad Foda, 2012).

In this application, a rule-based system is expected to be used in the process recommendation when the user requests for diet plan suggestions after entering their calculated BMI, age, gender, and level of activity value. These criteria requirements are generally viewed as rules for the recommendation. These rules are used as a set of facts in which the IF statement is followed by the THEN statement, which is its outcome. The Rule-Based System technique has some advantages and disadvantages. The main advantage is that there are fewer laws to learn before understanding how the model forecasts and the way it makes sense. It's simple for basic understanding. In a given case, the mechanism can be carefully investigated, and the key variables in the forecast can be identified. By applying this technique, the application will be able to provide personalized

meal recommendations and diet plan guidance based on user's dietary needs and specific preferences. The only disadvantage is that rules-based approaches do not always produce the best estimation output. Rules-based approaches, on the other hand, are relatively simple for data with categorical attributes. The numerical aspect adds complexity because the data must be discretized or thresholds in order to define the rules (Salah Gad Foda, 2012).

2.9 Decision Trees

The decision tree is a well-known supervised learning algorithm utilized in machine learning to create models and make predictions regarding potential outcomes based on input data. By utilizing a tree-based representation, the decision tree algorithm is capable of resolving both classification and regression problems. In this representation, the internal nodes of the tree represent attributes, while the leaf nodes correspond to class labels. A visual depiction of this process is shown in Figure 2.8. By using decision tree, Boolean function can be represented on discrete attributes (GeeksforGeeks, 2017).

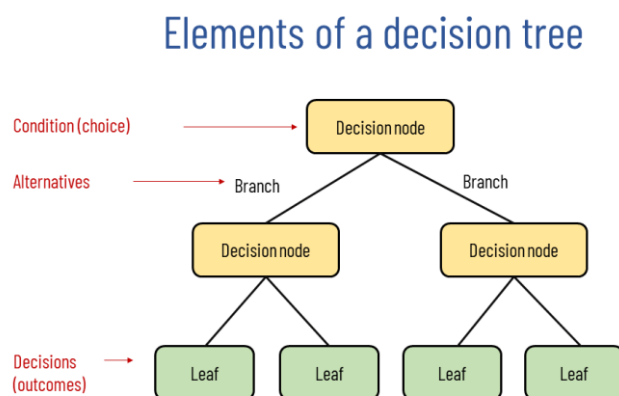


Figure 2.8 Decision Tree Element Illustration
(Kosarenko, 2021)

Decision tree is often the algorithm that a data scientist started with because of decision tree's features such as interpretability, less data preparation and non-parametric. It is highly intuitive and easy to understand as the rules implemented can be visualized in a flow chart manner that can ease in solving strategic problems unlike other algorithms. However, decision trees have several

limitations which cause certain restrictions in many cases. Decision trees are high variance models and a minor change in data might cause dramatic change on the predictions produced by the model trained (Kapil, 2022). Besides, decision tree has another major limitation which is less effective in solving regression problems which is not suitable in this proposed application. In a nutshell, although the decision tree is simple, implementation of decision has its limitations which makes it not the best options to be applied in this proposed application.

2.10 Support Vector Machines

Support Vector Machines (SVM) is a popular pattern recognition technique utilized in various applications, including face recognition, 3D object recognition, and more. SVM encompasses two primary categories: linear separable and non-linear separable subjects. These techniques are often implemented in image processing to enhance the data's interpretability and simplify its analysis. The ultimate aim is to extract meaningful information from images for further processing and analysis (Parisa Pouladzadeh, 2012).

The data points are first represented in an n-dimensional space in this procedure. The algorithm then employs statistical techniques to choose the optimum line that separates the various classes in the data. When the data points are shown on a two-dimensional graph, the decision boundary is called a straight line. However, if there are more than two dimensions, known as hyperplanes, SVM will select the one with the greatest distance between the classes. The distance between the hyperplane and the nearest data points is defined as the margin. Both soft and hard margins are feasible. When there are two distinct sets of data and no misclassifications are acceptable, training set weights are employed during crossover to train the SVMs with a hard margin.

A soft margin is used to allow for some non-zero misclassification when greater generality from the classifier is required, or when the data cannot be neatly separated into two distinct groups (Raj, 2022).

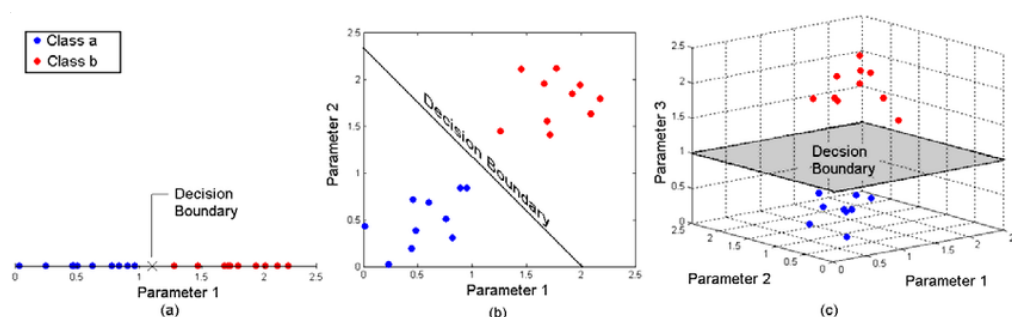


Figure 2.9: Illustration of SVM's supervised learning algorithms (Raj, 2022).

SVM is more effective in high dimensional spaces and is memory efficient. However, there are some drawbacks encountered by SVM when handling classification as the algorithms is not suitable for large data set and also especially when the data set has noise. Finally, there is no probabilistic

justification for the classification because the support vector classifier works by placing data points above and below the classifying hyperplane, making it unsuitable for use in this proposed application (Raj, 2022).

2.11 Summary

In a nutshell, this chapter has analysed the comparative review by reviewing the existing similar diet-related applications and understanding the typical or unique features offered by each application. It is shown that each application offers its own unique features and specialities and users have a wide option to choose from based on their own specific preferences. This analysis highlights that in order to have efficient diet goals, finding an application that suits well to one's preference is very important.

Furthermore, after making research on diet-related application projects, BMI and BMR are two of the most important metrics used in calculating health and fitness level of individuals. Both of the metrics should not be used as a sole determinant for a person's health status. Additional indicators such as body fat percentage and muscle mass should be also added in the measurement as well to increase the accuracy of determining an individual's health status.

Lastly, after reviewing and looking through various diet-related work, rule-based system techniques are typically applied from a wide range of artificial intelligence methods. This is because it allows application of a set of predefined rules to make certain decisions and this can lead to more accurate personalized suggestions which may be able to increase user satisfaction.

CHAPTER 3

METHODOLOGY AND WORK PLAN

3.1 Introduction

This section provides a detailed explanation of the chosen development approach and its different stages, which form the basis of the project. Furthermore, the design, planning, and development techniques for the project are also discussed. To highlight the project's scope and timeline, we have constructed a Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) and a Gantt chart.

3.2 Incremental and Iterative Development Methodology

The incremental and iterative development (IID) approach is a software development method that emphasizes the incremental and iterative process of building software. It is actually an iterative approach, focusing on repeating the process until the desired deliverables are achieved. Each iterative will includes incremental approach, which involves adding new and additional functionality to the software in small increments (Gadam, 2023).

The IID technique breaks the software development process down into manageable parts known as iterations. Each iteration requires a specific feature set or functionality to be built, tested, and optimized before moving on to the next iteration. Iterations are typically time-boxed, meaning they have a specific start date and delivery date will be completed.

During each iteration, communication among target customer or end-user is needed to gather feedback and add changes to the product. This gathered feedback is for continuous improvement and ensures that the final deliverables meet the expectations of the customer.

The iterative nature of the IID approach allows flexibility throughout the development process. Modifications can be made to the developing software at any stage of development, allowing the software developing team to more

easily respond to changing requirements. This is in contrast to more traditional software development methodologies that follow a rigid, linear, waterfall development process (Wrike, n.d.).

The increased quality of the IID approach also allows faster deployment of functional software. Each iteration results in a functional product that the customer or end-user can test. This provides a quick response and helps ensure that the final product meets the customer's needs.

The testing and validation phase is also an important part of the IID approach. Testing is frequently made throughout the development process to ensure that the deliverable meets user's requirements, and any defects or problems are identified and addressed in the early phase.

Discussion and communication are key of the IID approach. The software development team works closely with the target customer or end user to ensure final deliverable meets the customer's needs. This helps avoid misunderstandings and ensures that the final product meets the customer's expectations. Finally, the IID approach helps lower risk by breaking down the development process into manageable chunks. This reduces the risk of project failure and allows the software development team to respond quickly to any issue.

In summary, the IID approach is a most simple and effective way to develop software that allows for continuous improvement which based on user feedback. It emphasizes collaboration, communication, testing, and integrity throughout the development process and helps manage risk by breaking down the development process into smaller manageable chunks.

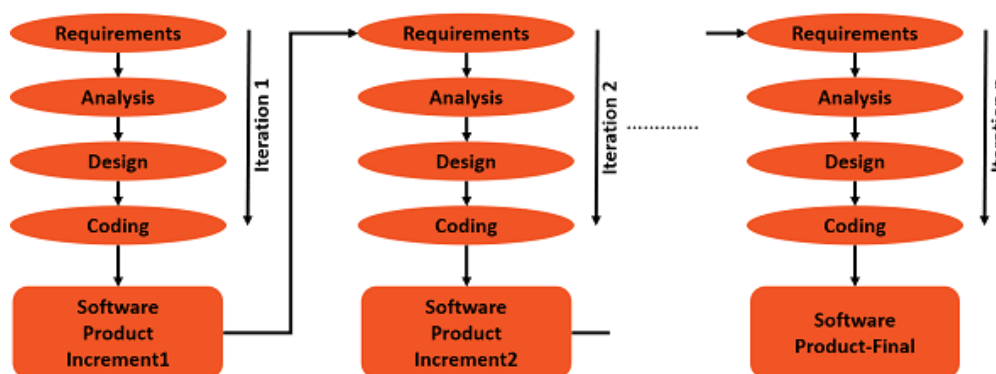


Figure 3.1: SDLC's iterative and incremental model illustration (Anon, 2019).

3.2.1 Planning

Every software development life cycle (SDLC) approach typically begins with a planning phase. This involved outlining the project's scope and objectives, identifying the desired deliverables and requirements, and establishing a timeline to estimate the project duration. Additionally, the planning phase involved gathering and eliciting requirements to create a comprehensive list of both functional and non-functional requirements.

3.2.1.1 Project Proposal

Before starting the development stage, a project proposal needed to be completed. The project title was then studied and researched in the first place about the problem commonly faced by the target user in their current dietary habit or pattern and also understanding on diet related knowledge. Several journals were viewed and properly evaluated to find out the differences between a nutritionist and a dietitian and also to compare among existing diet consultant applications to help better understand related features in similar applications. Besides, research was also made on several artificial intelligence algorithms to compare and decide the best algorithm to be used in the development phase. After determining the backdrop of the dietary issues, the problem statements were defined eventually. Following that, the project objectives were developed to specify what would be accomplished when the project was completed. The next step involved creating a project solution by examining the most suitable system architecture and selecting the development techniques that would serve

as a project guide for managing the SDLC procedures. Ultimately, it was important to define the project scope accurately, specifying the extent of the proposed application so that the final outcome met the expectations of the intended stakeholders within the given timeframe.

3.2.1.2 Requirement Gathering and Elicitation

After completing and obtaining approval for the initial project planning from the project supervisor, the next phase was initiated, which involved gathering and eliciting project requirements. A questionnaire was prepared using the Google Form platform to distribute the survey form. The goal of distributing these survey forms was to gather additional data from target users about their dietary habits and expectations of a diet consultant mobile application. It took roughly 4 weeks to distribute the survey questionnaire. Once the goal number of responses was reached, the responses were examined and summarized to extract useful statistics and recommendations about the anticipated qualities of the diet consultant application.

A review of similar existing systems was also carried out in tandem with the study of the survey responses. Numerous existing systems were filtered out and chosen for research on each of their unique characteristics that could attract their users. In the literature review section, a study was conducted to understand the differences between a dietitian and a nutritionist and to gain a deeper understanding of the role of a dietitian. Furthermore, this section also included a study on various calculation metrics such as BMI, BMR, percentage of body fat, and muscle mass. Additionally, a comparison among different artificial intelligence techniques, including Rule-Based Systems, Decision Trees, and Support Vector Machines, was conducted to better understand these algorithms. After completing all requirement gathering activities, requirement elicitation continued to determine the main aspects of the proposed system and create an outline of functional and non-functional requirements.

3.2.1.3 Project Scheduling

Project scheduling development was a crucial aspect of the project's planning stage. To ensure a successful outcome, it was essential to create a

comprehensive work breakdown structure (WBS) that effectively organized tasks and provided an overview of the critical functionalities required for each phase. This WBS served as a guide to ensure that all necessary tasks were identified and completed during the development process, preventing the oversight of any crucial functionalities. By utilizing a detailed WBS, project teams could effectively manage their resources and time, ultimately increasing the likelihood of project success.

One common approach to managing incremental and iterative development processes was to create a Gantt chart for each phase. This chart included projected start and finish dates for each task and helped establish the overall duration of the project. By tracking progress through the Gantt chart, project managers could ensure that each stage of development stayed on track and was completed on time. Failure to meet scheduled deadlines could result in unnecessary delays and increased costs. To maintain the project's integrity, it was crucial to adhere to both the work breakdown structure (WBS) and also the Gantt chart throughout the development process.

3.2.2 Analysis and Design

Once the planning phase was completed, the development process moved on to the analysis and design phase. During that stage, the system was designed based on the project scope analysis conducted in the preceding step. This involved creating multiple diagrams to provide a comprehensive understanding of the system's structure to proceed to the next step. A use case diagram was implemented, aiding in better comprehending the system's design. Furthermore, the team developed use case descriptions to provide a complete understanding of all use cases involved in the system.

In addition, to showcase the interface design and how different pages of the system interacted, interface flow diagrams and interactive prototypes were developed. This stage allowed any potential issues to be identified and addressed before moving on to the development phase. The interactive prototype solely focused on the layout and user-friendly navigation of each page,

serving as a reference for the actual application. Nonetheless, modifications could be implemented during the development process. In the subsequent chapter, detailed information regarding the interface flow diagrams and interactive prototypes of each page was presented.

3.2.3 Design, Development, and Testing

Following the completion of the research and design phases, the project's schedule called for the commencement of the design, development, and testing phases. The project was based on an incremental and iterative model, and some iterations were carried out before the final deliverable was created. The process of designing, developing, and testing involved breaking down user requirements into smaller sections. The crucial components were addressed in the initial iteration, while the remaining requirements were dealt with in subsequent iterations.

3.2.3.1 First Iteration

In the first iteration, the emphasis was mainly on developing the user registration and login system, implementing a form for users to input their basic information, creating a database to store user profile information, and developing a user profile page to display the user's basic information.

The first step of the iteration was to research and choose a suitable authentication system to integrate into the application. Once a suitable system was selected, the system was implemented to allow users to register and log in to the application. The authentication system was then tested and refined to ensure security and ease of use.

The next step was to implement a form for users to input their basic information. The user input form was designed to collect the user's basic information, such as name, age, weight, height, medical history, etc. The user

input form was then integrated into the application and tested and refined to ensure all necessary information was collected.

The third step was to create a database to store user profile information. The database schema was designed to store user profile information, and the necessary database tables were created to store user information. The database integration was then implemented into the application and tested and refined to ensure data was properly stored and retrieved.

The final step was to develop a user profile page to display the basic information of the user. The page layout and elements were designed, and the user profile page was then implemented into the application. The user profile page was integrated with the user registration and input form, and tested and refined to ensure user information was displayed accurately.

At the end of the first iteration, the application had a functioning user registration and login system, a user input form for collecting basic user information, a database to store user profile information, and a user profile page to display the user's basic information. These features provided a solid foundation for further iterations that built upon the user profile information to generate personalized diet plans.

3.2.3.2 Second Iteration

In the second iteration, the emphasis was on developing the functionality to generate personalized diet plans based on user goals and food preferences, as well as providing basic information about the foods included in the diet plan, such as calorie values.

The first step of the iteration was to research and select a suitable algorithm or system to generate personalized diet plans. Once the algorithm or system was selected, it was integrated into the application. The diet plan generation system was then tested and refined to ensure it generated accurate and appropriate diet plans.

The next step was to integrate an API that provided basic information about the foods included in the diet plan, such as calorie value. The OpenAI API was selected and integrated into the application, and the diet plan generation system was modified to retrieve the responses from the OpenAI API after prompting the necessary personal health attributes to the OpenAI API. The integration between the application and OpenAI API was then tested and refined to ensure it provided accurate and relevant information.

The final step of the iteration was to modify the diet plan page to display the user's personalized diet plan. The diet plan page layout was redesigned to accommodate the new features, which were the generate and view diet plan features. The diet plan and generate diet plan page were then tested and refined to ensure the diet plans were displayed accurately and clearly.

At the end of the second iteration, the application had the functionality to generate personalized diet plans based on user goals and preferences, as well as provide basic information about the foods included in the diet plan. These features provided a solid foundation for further iterations that built upon the diet plan information to allow progress tracking.

3.2.3.3 Third Iteration

In the third iteration, the emphasis was on developing functionality that allowed users to log their lean mass and fat mass manually to help them stay on track with their health status.

The first step of the iteration was to research and select a suitable algorithm or system to track user's health attributes. Once the algorithm or system was selected, it was integrated into the application, and the user input form was modified to collect more detailed information about the user's health attributes. The tracking system was then tested and refined to ensure it accurately tracked user's health records.

At the end of the third iteration, the application had the functionality to allow users to log their fat mass and lean mass manually. These features enabled

users to stay on track with their diet plan and make adjustments as necessary, providing a solid foundation for further iterations that built upon this functionality.

3.2.3.4 Fourth Iteration

In the fourth iteration, the focus was on integrating a chatbot feature into the diet planning and tracking application. The main objective was to enable users to interact with the chatbot and ask questions about their diet plan, receiving personalized responses based on their dietary needs, goals, and food preferences.

The iteration began with extensive research to identify the best practices and technologies for developing a chatbot system that could understand natural language, interpret user intent, and provide accurate and relevant responses. Based on this research, a design was developed for the chatbot system. Next, the chatbot system was implemented, and necessary algorithms were developed to integrate it with the existing application, including the incorporation of the OpenAI API. By integrating OpenAI API, the chatbot was capable of handling a wide range of user inputs and providing quick and accurate responses through the integration of the OpenAI API.

The integration process involved designing an intuitive interface that ensured the chatbot feature was seamlessly integrated with the application. To ensure its preciseness, the chatbot is limited to only give opinions about diet and health related information. Once the chatbot integration with OpenAI API, was complete, the feature was tested and refined to ensure that it met the user's needs and expectations. Feedback was collected from users to analyse the chatbot's performance, and necessary improvements were made. A comprehensive knowledge base was developed, incorporating information from the OpenAI API, to ensure that the chatbot provided accurate and relevant information. The benefit of OpenAI API is that the knowledge base was updated regularly so that user able to access with the latest dietary guidelines, research, and relevant information.

3.2.3.5 Final Iteration

In the final iteration, the focus was on implementing a system for collecting and analysing user feedback to make improvements to the application.

A system that allowed users to provide feedback on their experience with the application was set up. This included reporting any issues they encountered, suggesting improvements, expressing their overall satisfaction, and also giving comments about the application. The feedback system was designed to efficiently collect user input.

Once the feedback system was integrated into the existing application, proper testing and refinement were carried out to ensure it functioned as intended. User feedback was carefully analysed to identify areas where improvements were needed. These improvements included bug fixes, enhancements to the user interface, and the implementation of new features based on user suggestions.

Prioritizing these improvements based on user feedback, the team worked promptly to implement them. Continuous monitoring of user feedback was essential, allowing for ongoing refinements to the application to ensure its relevance and usefulness to users.

In summary, the final iteration concentrated on enhancing the user experience by implementing a feedback system that enabled users to provide input for ongoing improvements to the application.

3.2.4 Closing

After the system had been developed and was ready to be delivered, user acceptance testing was applied to perform evaluation and validation for the mobile application. The testing measured the system's usability and whether or not it met the user's expectations. Testers were also needed to test out the features existing in the application. User feedback was collected after the user acceptance testing to further improve the application. Project documentation

with a detailed description about the application was created, and after the finalization of documentation, the project was considered as done.

3.3 Tools Used in This Project

3.3.1 Axure Rp

Axure RP9 is a popular software design tool that is commonly utilized for developing prototypes, diagrams, and specifications. Its main feature is the ability to create interactive prototypes for web and mobile applications in a codeless style. It is utilizing event triggers that allow for interaction within the prototype. In this project, Axure RP9 will be utilized to create an interactive prototype for a mobile application.

3.3.2 Visual Studio Code and Android Studio

In the development of this web application project, Visual Studio Code served as the primary code editor. It is a versatile tool that supports numerous programming languages, including but not limited to JavaScript, C++, Node.js, and Python. Its capacity to detect cross-language reference proves helpful in ensuring coding accuracy. In addition, Visual Studio Code offers an extensive list of supported languages that can be accessed by installing relevant extensions. On the other hand, for the creation of the proposed mobile application, Android Studio utilized as the main tool to showcase the output, providing a comprehensive environment for Android app development.

3.3.3 Flutter

Flutter is an open-source UI framework developed by Google, ideal for creating android-based mobile applications. With Flutter, compiled applications can build natively with a single codebase by using the Dart programming language. Flutter's extensive library of widgets can be utilized for designing a visually appealing and responsive user interface and take advantage of its hot reload feature for real-time iteration. Application can be tested thoroughly, then deploy it directly to the Google Play Store. Flutter's flexibility, performance, and cross-

platform capabilities make it a powerful choice for developing this project, allowing for efficient development, maintenance, and updates.

3.3.4 OpenAI API

OpenAI's API is a development tool. It allows developers to integrate OpenAI's powerful natural language processing capabilities into their own applications, products, or services. With the OpenAI API, developers can build applications that generate human-like text, perform language translation, answer questions, assist with content creation, etc. It's a valuable tool for creating intelligent and language-aware applications, chatbots, virtual assistants, and other software that can understand and generate human language. This tool is used in generating user's diet plan and virtual dietitian functionality.

3.3.5 Enterprise Architect

Enterprise Architect is a powerful modelling and design tool used by businesses and organizations to create and manage complex systems and software applications. It supports various modelling languages such as UML, BPMN, and SysML, and provides features such as requirements management, project management, and version control. This tool used when constructing the use case diagram.

3.3.6 Firebase

Firebase serves as a prevalent choice for open-source database management in this project. It is employed to efficiently manage data that was initially housed in an SQLite database created by the Python script. Firebase offers a user-friendly graphical interface that simplifies the display of data in database tables. Beyond visualization, it also streamlines the tasks of adding, editing, and deleting database tables and data. The utilization of Firebase significantly enhances the development process, providing seamless monitoring and management of the application's database data.

3.4 Work Breakdown Structure (WBS)

0.0 Android Based Diet Consultant Application

1.0 Planning

- 1.1. Analyze the project title
- 1.2. Study background of the problem
- 1.3. Define problem statements
 - 1.3.1. Problem of imbalanced dietary
 - 1.3.2. Problem of increasing indiscipline lifestyle
 - 1.3.3. Problem of increasing mental health issue
- 1.4. Define project objectives
- 1.5. Define proposed solution
- 1.6. Define proposed approach
 - 1.6.1. Define research approach
 - 1.6.2. Define development approach
- 1.7. Define project scope
- 1.8. Requirement gathering
 - 1.8.1. Conduct Survey
 - 1.8.1.1. Generate questions for questionnaire
 - 1.8.1.2. Distribute the questionnaire
 - 1.8.1.3. Analyze and summarize the responses
 - 1.8.2. Review similar existing systems
 - 1.8.2.1. Review MyFitnessPal
 - 1.8.2.2. Review MyNetDiary
 - 1.8.2.3. Review Lifesum
 - 1.8.2.4. Review My Diet Coach
 - 1.8.2.5. Generate an application review matrix
- 1.9. Literature review
 - 1.9.1. Research of differences of dietitian and nutritionist
 - 1.9.2. Research of similar systems review
 - 1.9.3. Review of health or diet related calculation metrics
 - 1.9.3.1. Review of BMI
 - 1.9.3.2. Review of BMR
 - 1.9.3.3. Review of percentage of fats

- 1.9.3.4. Review of muscle mass
- 1.9.4. Review of artificial intelligence algorithm
 - 1.9.4.1. Review of Rule-Based System Technique
 - 1.9.4.2. Review of Decision Trees
 - 1.9.4.3. Review of Support Vector Machines
- 1.10. Requirement elicitation
 - 1.10.1. Choose the recommended features
 - 1.10.2. Define the functional and non-functional requirements
 - 1.10.3. Refine the functional and non-functional requirements
 - 1.10.4. Finalize the functional and non-functional requirement
- 1.11. Project scheduling
 - 1.11.1. Create Work Breakdown Structure
 - 1.11.1.1. Identify the main task
 - 1.11.1.2. Decompose the main tasks into smaller tasks
 - 1.11.2. Create Gantt chart
 - 1.11.2.1. Determine task dependency
 - 1.11.2.2. Estimate task duration
 - 1.11.2.3. Draft Gantt chart
 - 1.11.2.4. Refine Gantt chart
 - 1.11.2.5. Finalize Gantt chart
- 2.0 Analysis and design
 - 2.1. Design use case diagram
 - 2.2. Create use case description
 - 2.3. Design interface flow diagram
 - 2.4. Design prototype
- 3.0 Review feedback from Project I submission
- 4.0 Refine Project I documentation
- 5.0 Study the implementation framework and tools
- 6.0 Design, development and testing Iteration 1
 - 6.1. Develop user registration and login system
 - 6.1.1. Design user registration and login system
 - 6.1.2. Develop user registration page
 - 6.1.3. Develop user login page
 - 6.1.4. Implement security measures

- 6.1.5. Test and refine user registration and login system
- 6.2. Implement form for user basic information
 - 6.2.1. Design user basic information form
 - 6.2.2. Develop user basic information input fields
 - 6.2.3. Implement form validation
 - 6.2.4. Test and refine user basic information form
- 6.3. Create database to store user profile information
 - 6.3.1. Design user profile database schema
 - 6.3.2. Develop user profile database tables
 - 6.3.3. Implement database access and management
 - 6.3.4. Test and refine user profile database
- 6.4. Develop user profile page
 - 6.4.1. Design user profile page layout and components
 - 6.4.2. Develop user profile page functionality
 - 6.4.2.1. Edit profile information
 - 6.4.3. Test and refine user profile page
- 7.0 Design, development and testing Iteration 2
 - 7.1. Research and design algorithm for generating personalized diet plan
 - 7.1.1. Conduct research on dietary guidelines and nutrition
 - 7.1.2. Design algorithm for generating personalized diet plan based on user data
 - 7.1.3. Define data points needed to generate personalized diet plan
 - 7.2. Develop system to collect user data
 - 7.2.1. Design user data input forms
 - 7.2.2. Develop data input fields for collecting user data
 - 7.2.3. Implement data validation and verification
 - 7.2.4. Test and refine user data collection system
 - 7.3. Implement algorithm to generate personalized diet plan
 - 7.3.1. Implement algorithm based on design
 - 7.3.2. Test and refine diet plan generation system
- 8.0 Design, development and testing Iteration 3
 - 8.1. Research and design diet plan generation and tracking system
 - 8.1.1. Conduct research on tracking systems
 - 8.1.2. Design diet plan generation and tracking system

8.2. Implement system to display basic diet plan

- 8.2.1. Develop diet plan generation
- 8.2.2. Implement diet plan generation
- 8.2.3. Display basic diet plan information on user interface

8.3. Allow manual tracking

- 8.3.1. Develop manual tracking input fields
- 8.3.2. Implement data validation and verification
- 8.3.3. Store health data in user database
- 8.3.4. Test and refine tracking system

8.4. Test and refine the diet plan generation and tracking system

- 8.4.1. Conduct testing with focus groups
- 8.4.2. Analyze user feedback and make necessary changes to the system
- 8.4.3. Conduct further testing and refining to improve system

9.0 Design, development and testing Iteration 4

9.1. Research and design chatbot system

- 9.1.1. Research existing chatbot solutions
- 9.1.2. Design the chatbot feature to meet user needs
- 9.1.3. Determine how the chatbot will integrate with the existing application

9.2. Implement the Chatbot System

- 9.2.1. Develop the chatbot system using chosen technology
- 9.2.2. Integrate the chatbot with the existing application

9.3. Test and Refine the Chatbot Feature

- 9.3.1. Develop test cases to verify the chatbot's functionality
- 9.3.2. Test the chatbot's responses to various user questions and inputs
- 9.3.3. Refine the chatbot's responses based on user testing

10.0 Design, development and testing Final Iteration

10.1. Research and design user feedback function

- 10.1.1. Research feedback collection and analysis methods
- 10.1.2. Design the feedback collection and analysis system

10.2. Implement Feedback Collection and Analysis System

- 10.2.1. Develop the feedback collection and analysis system using chosen technology
- 10.2.2. Integrate the feedback system with the existing application
- 10.3. Test and Refine the Feedback Collection and Analysis System
 - 10.3.1. Develop test cases to verify the system's functionality
 - 10.3.2. Test the feedback system's collection and analysis capabilities
 - 10.3.3. Refine the feedback system based on user testing
- 10.4. User Acceptance Testing
 - 10.4.1. Engage with users to perform acceptance testing of the feedback collection and analysis system
- 11.0 Closing
 - 11.1. Conduct unit testing
 - 11.2. Conduct integration testing
 - 11.3. Conduct user acceptance test
 - 11.4. Create system documentation
 - 11.5. Finalize the project documentation

3.5 Gantt Chart

3.5.1 Overview of the Project Timeline

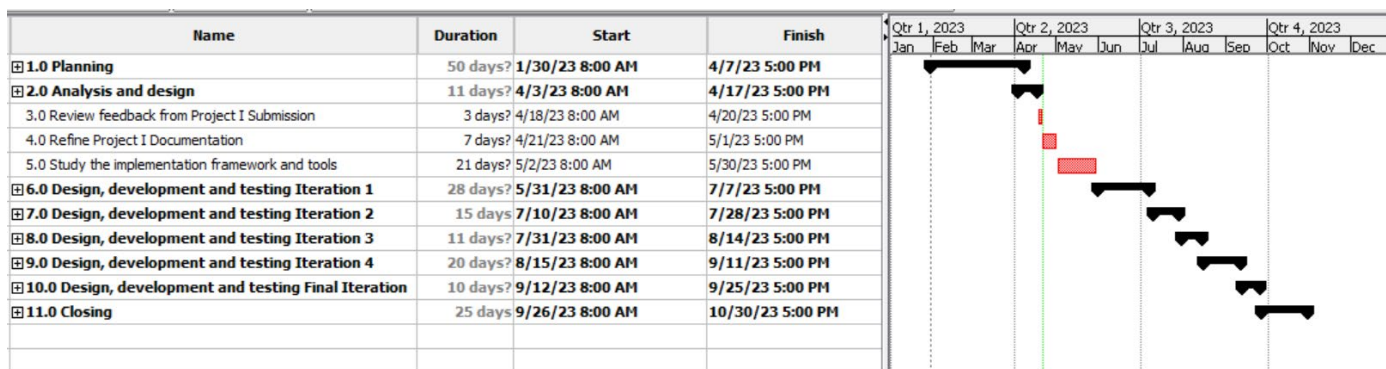


Figure 3.2: Overview of the Project Timeline.

3.5.2 Planning Phase Timeline

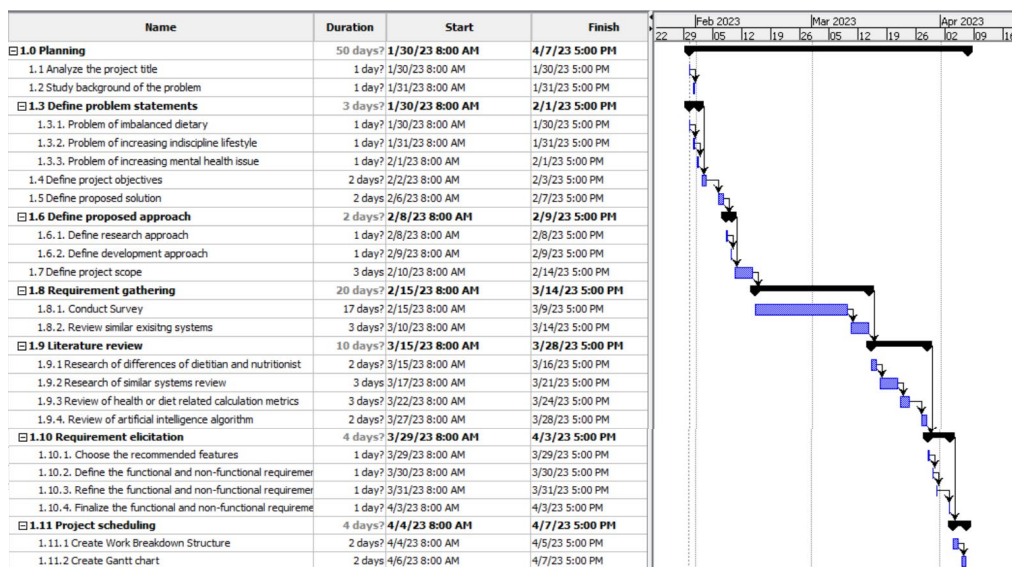


Figure 3.3: Planning Phase Timeline.

3.5.3 Analysis and Design Phase Timeline, and The Transition between Project I and II



Figure 3.4: Analysis and Design Phase Timeline including the Transition between Project I and II.

3.5.4 Design, Development, and Testing Iteration 1 Timeline

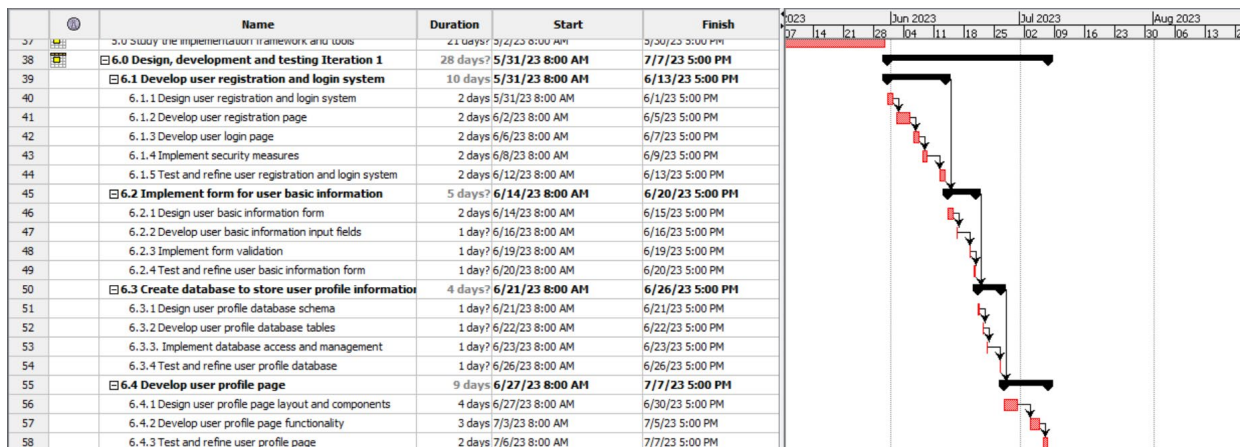


Figure 3.5: Design, Development and Testing Iteration 1 Timeline.

3.5.5 Design, Development, and Testing Iteration 2 Timeline

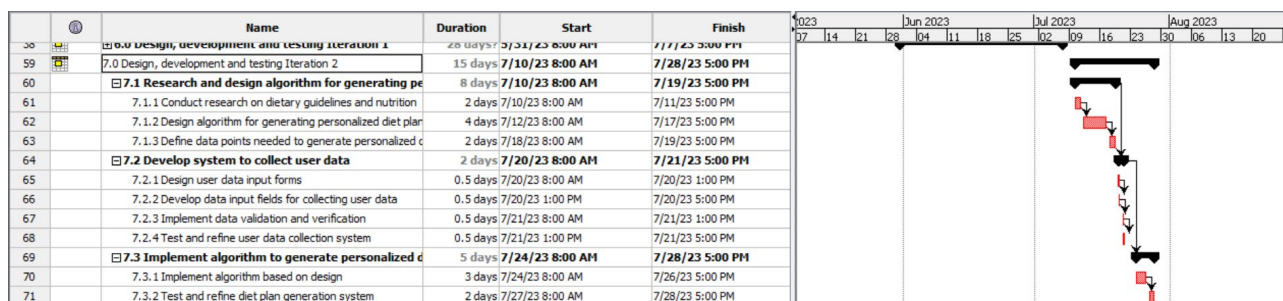


Figure 3.6: Design, Development and Testing Iteration 2 Timeline.

3.5.6 Design, Development, and Testing Iteration 3 Timeline

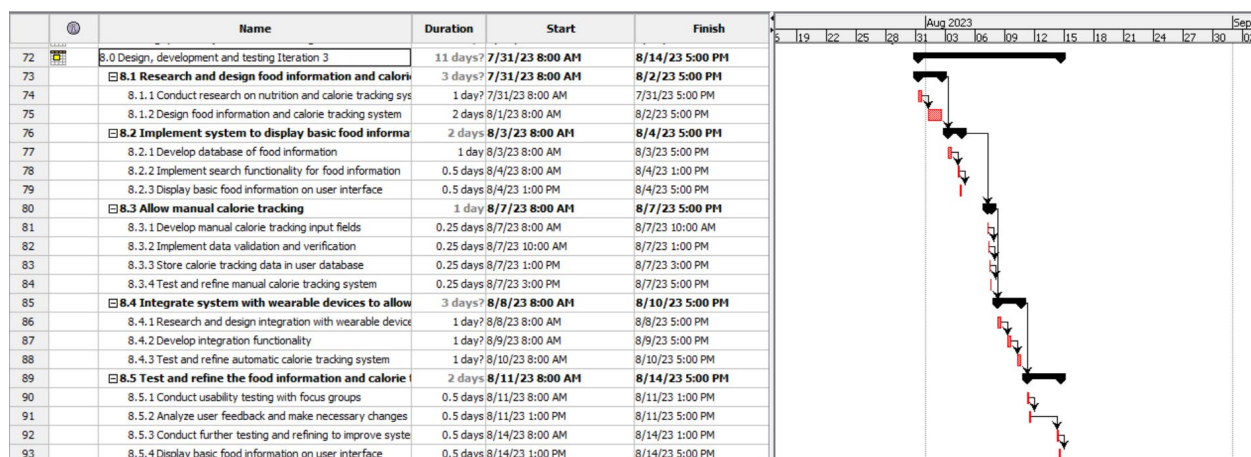


Figure 3.7: Design, Development and Testing Iteration 3 Timeline.

3.5.7 Design, Development and Testing Iteration 4 Timeline

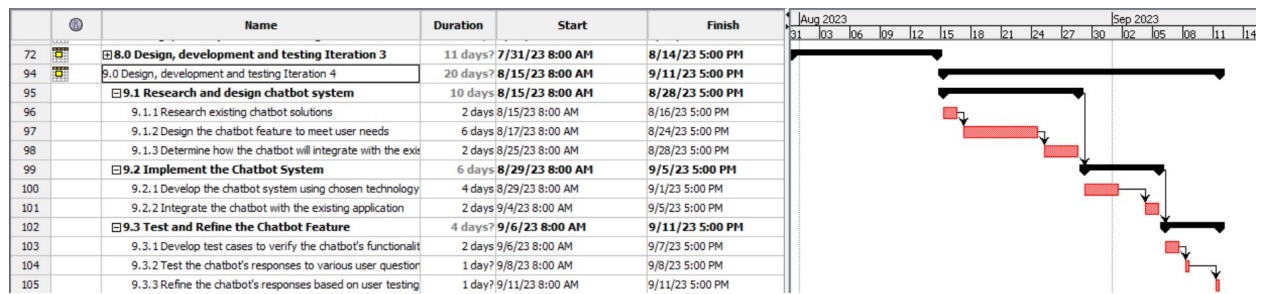


Figure 3.8: Design, Development and Testing Iteration 4 Timeline.

3.5.8 Design, Development, and Testing Final Iteration Timeline

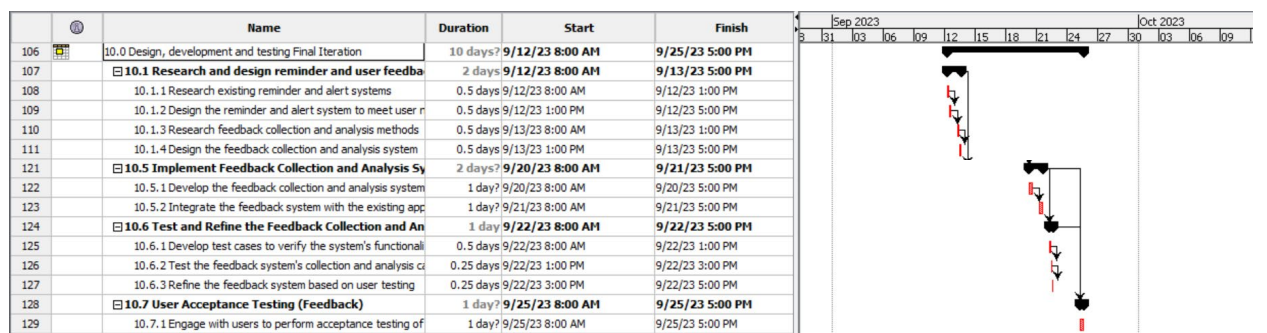


Figure 3.9: Design, Development and Testing Final Iteration Timeline.

3.5.9 Closing Phase Timeline

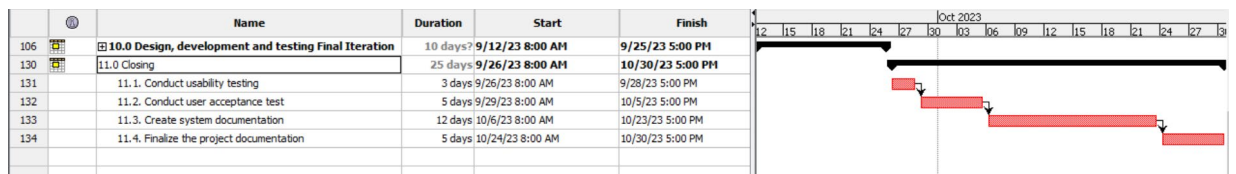


Figure 3.10: Closing Phase Timeline.

3.6 Summary

The chosen approach for development was the iterative and incremental methodology. To initiate the planning stage, a planning proposal was formulated, encompassing various aspects such as the problem statement, objectives, research and development methodologies, project solution, and scope. Within the planning phase documents were the initial project requirements specification and the project schedule, which included a work breakdown structure (WBS) and a Gantt chart.

Moving into the analysis and design phase, the deliverables included the use case diagram with detailed descriptions, the interface flow diagram, and the user interface prototype design. These deliverables played a crucial role in advancing the project to the subsequent design, development, and testing phase, which consisted of five iterations to build a comprehensive project solution.

At the conclusion of each iteration within the design, development, and testing phase, a portion of the functional software system was generated. With the completion of each iteration in this phase, a fully functional software system emerged as the end product of the design, development, and testing process.

In conclusion, the project's closing phase required detailed project documentation that included all research and study findings, as well as actual deliverables from each phase of the project.

CHAPTER 4

PROJECT SPECIFICATION

4.1 Introduction

In this chapter, the initial project specification was determined using a fact-finding approach, which involved conducting a survey through Google Forms. The survey collected responses from 40 participants and identified user requirements based on the analyzed data. Next, the user requirement data was used to construct the FR and NFR. Based on functional requirements, use case diagrams and descriptions were developed, and an interface flow diagram was created. In addition, prototype screen designs were created to illustrate the overall concepts of the proposed system and demonstrate how it responded to user input.

4.2 Facts Finding

A survey was conducted to collect certain information from the potential users of the proposed system, which can be anyone. The questionnaire is performed by using Google Forms and the distribution method is through social media such as WhatsApp, WeChat, Instagram, etc.

40 responses were collected after several weeks of questionnaire distribution. The responses collected were then analysed and summarized to understand more about the diet pattern and knowledge of the potential users and their expectations toward a diet consultant application.

4.2.1 Demographics of respondents

Figure 4.1 and 4.2 summarized the age and gender of the 40 respondents. There are both 16 respondents (40%) in the age range between 18-24 and 45-64, while another 6 responses (15%) are in the age range between 25-34 and 2 respondents (5%) are in the age range between 35-44. For the gender, 24 respondents (60%) are female while 15 respondents (37.5%) are male.

What is your age?
40 responses

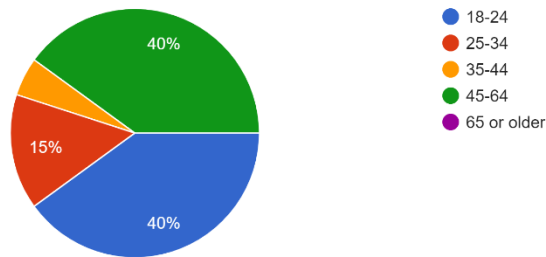


Figure 4.1: Age distribution among the 40 respondents.

What is your gender?
40 responses

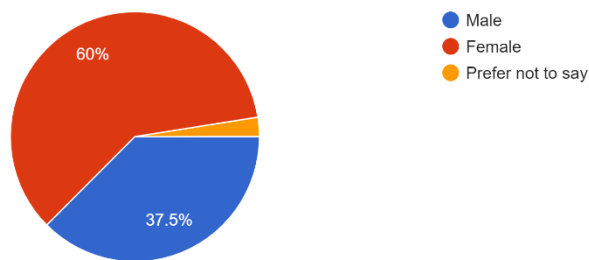


Figure 4.2: Gender of the 40 respondents

4.2.2 General question about user's current diet

There are 5 questions to answer by the respondents in this section. This section basically is to aim to understand the current user's diet pattern which helps to clarify the problem statements of this proposed project.

How would you describe your current diet?
40 responses

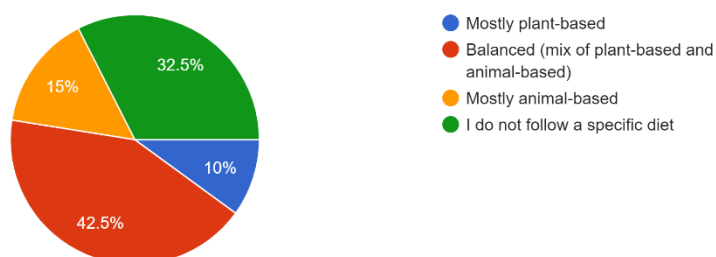


Figure 4.3: Description of 40 respondents on their current diet.

Figure 4.3 shows the description of 40 respondents on their current diet. There are 17 respondents (42.5%) that is balanced (mix of plant-based and animal-based), 13 respondents (32.5%) which do not follow a specific diet, 6 respondents (15%) state their diet are mostly animal-based while 4 respondents (10%) clarify that their diet are mostly plant-based. The reason why majority of respondents are mostly having balanced or do not have a specific diet is because they are mainly non-picky eater and does not have a specific requirement on their food preferences.

What is your biggest challenge in following a healthy diet?
40 responses

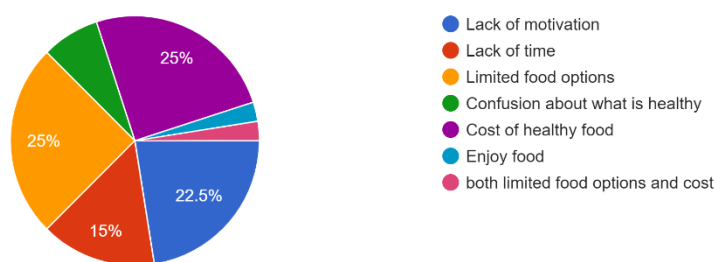


Figure 4.4: Biggest challenge of 40 respondents in following a healthy diet.

The questionnaire continues by asking for reason for biggest challenge in following a healthy diet. Figure 4.4 shows that there are both 10 respondents (25%) are limited food options and the cost of the healthy food problem. Next, there are 9 respondents (22.5%) facing lack of motivation and 6 respondents (15%) facing the problem of lack of time. This shows that, majority of the respondents want to consume healthy food, but their criteria and ability are not able to fulfil the cost of affording the healthy food which has slightly higher price than normal food.

How frequently do you go for a diet consultation session physically?

40 responses

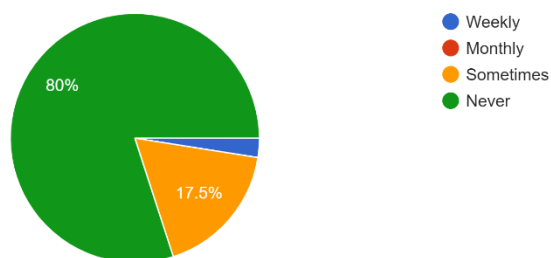


Figure 4.5: Frequency of 40 respondents go for a diet consultation session physically.

Next, the questionnaire collects respondent's frequency of going for a diet consultation session physically. There are 32 respondents (80%) who never go for a diet consultation session physically while 7 respondents (17.5%) states that sometimes they go for a diet consultation session physically.

How strictly do you follow the diet plan provided by your current dietician?

38 responses

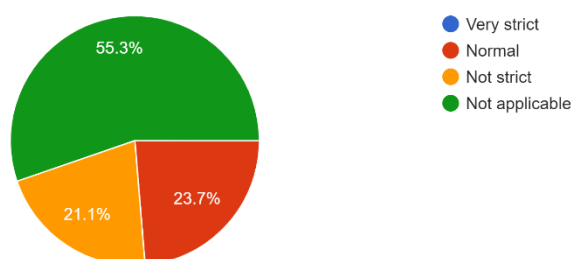


Figure 4.6: Level of strictness of the 38 respondents follow to the diet plan provided by their dietician.

Then, the questionnaire collects respondent's response on level of strictness of the 40 respondents to follow the diet plan provided by their dietician. 21 respondents (55.3%) states that this question is not applicable to them while 9 respondents (23.7%) said that they follow the diet plan provided by their current dietician in a normal manner. 8 respondents (21.2%) said that they are not strict in following the diet plan provided by their current dietician.

Have you noticed any positive changes in your diet or health since you consulted a dietician?
40 responses

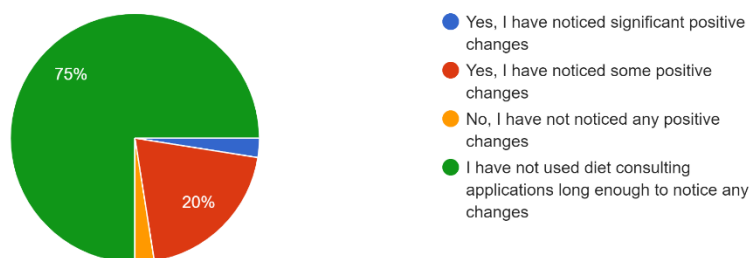


Figure 4.7: Positive changes of the 40 respondents in their diet or health after consulting a dietician.

The last part for this section of questionnaire collects the responses of the respondents on whether they noticed any positive changes in their diet or health since they consulted a dietician. There are 30 respondents (75%) which stated that they have not used diet consulting applications long enough to notice any changes while there are 8 respondents (20%) stated that they have noticed some positive changes in their diet or health after consulting a dietician.

4.2.3 Diet consultant application related questions among users

There are 13 questions to answer by the respondents in this section. This section basically is to aim to understand knowledges and thoughts related to diet consultant application among users to help better in specify the scope of the proposed project.

Have you ever used a diet consulting application before?

40 responses

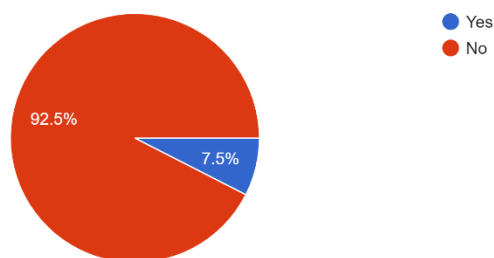


Figure 4.8: Responses of the 40 respondents on whether they ever used a diet consulting application before.

The first question for this section is about understanding the usage and experience of using diet consulting application among respondents. There are 37 respondents (92.5%) that never used a diet consulting application before while 3 respondents (7.5%) used a diet consulting application before.

What features do you expect from a diet consulting application?

40 responses

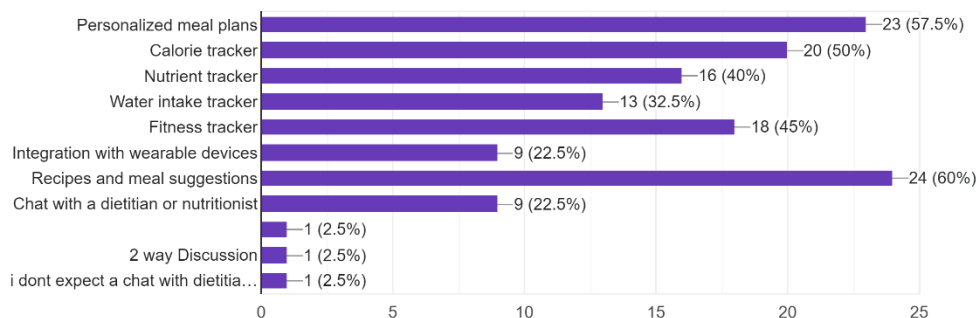


Figure 4.9: Expected features in diet consulting application from 40 respondents.

Next questions for this section is on collecting respondent's response on what features that they expect from a diet consulting application. 24 respondents (60%) voted for recipes and meal suggestions as the expected features while 23 respondents (57.5%) voted for personalized meal plans. This shows that recipes and meal suggestions and personalized meal plans will be the most expected features that should exists in a diet consulting application. Then,

there are 20 respondents (50%) voted for calorie tracker and 18 respondents (45%) voted for fitness tracker. This also shows that these respondents want to use diet consulting application as a tracker to track their own health level and fitness level to keep fit and healthy.

What is your primary goal for seeking a diet consulting application?

40 responses

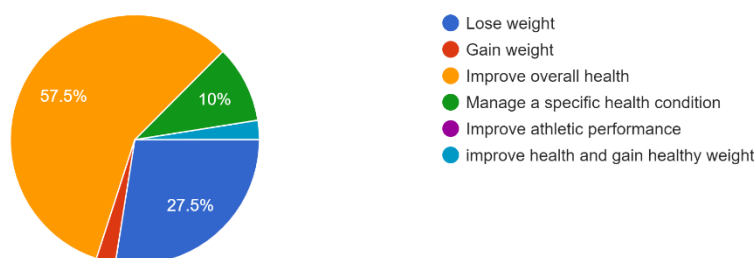


Figure 4.10: Primary goals of 40 respondents seeking from a diet consulting application.

Then, the questionnaire collected the primary goal for seeking a diet consulting application from the respondents. 23 respondents (57.5%) choose to improve overall health as their primary goal while 11 respondents (27.5%) choose lose weight as their primary goal. 4 respondents (10%) choose to manage a specific health condition as their primary goal of using a diet consulting application.

How important is it for a diet consulting application to provide personalized meal plans?

39 responses

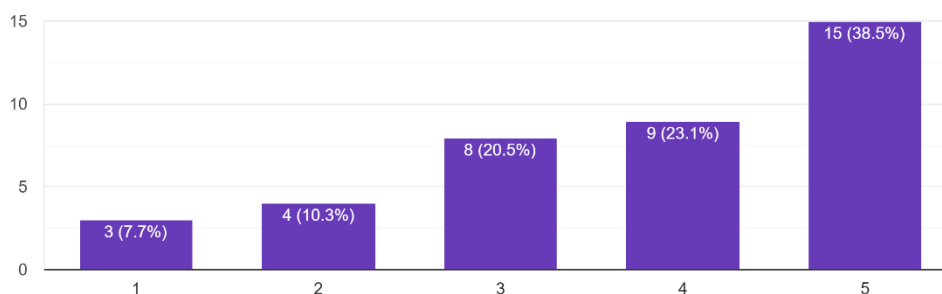


Figure 4.11: Level of importance for 40 respondents for a diet consulting application to provide a personalized meal plan.

Next, the questionnaire collects the rank of level of importance for respondents for a diet consulting application to provide a personalized meal plan. 15 respondents (38.5%) votes for importance level of 5 for a diet consulting application to provide personalized meal plans while 9 respondents (23.1%) votes for importance level of 4. In contrast, 3 respondents (7.7%) votes for importance level of 1 for a diet consulting application to provide personalized meal plans feature.

Would you pay for a diet consulting application?
40 responses

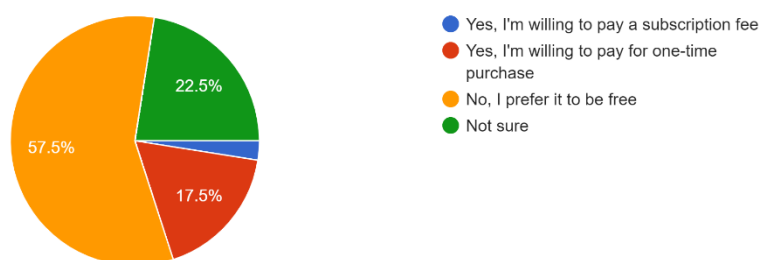


Figure 4.12: Willingness of 40 respondents to pay for a diet consulting application.

Furthermore, the questionnaire collects the willingness of 40 respondents to pay for a diet consulting application. According to the responses, 23 respondents (57.5%) say that they prefer the diet consulting application to be free while, 9 respondents (22.5%) say that they are not sure whether they are willing to pay for the application. Then, 7 respondents (17.5%) say that they are willing to pay for the application for one-time purchase.

How important is the credibility of the dietitian or nutritionist who created the application's meal plans and recommendations to you?

40 responses

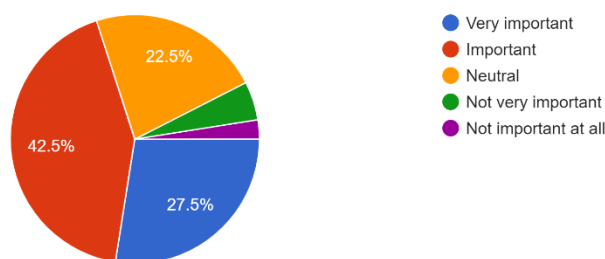


Figure 4.13: Importance of credibility of the dietitian or nutritionist who created the application's meal plans and recommendations.

The questionnaire further asked the respondents about the importance of credibility of the dietitian or nutritionist who created the application's meal plans and recommendations. 17 respondents (42.5%) responded with it is important to have a high credibility dietitian to provide those recommendations. Then, 11 respondents (27.5%) state that it is very important whereas 9 respondents (22.5%) state that they are neutral to this statement.

Would you recommend a diet consulting application to your friends or family members?

40 responses

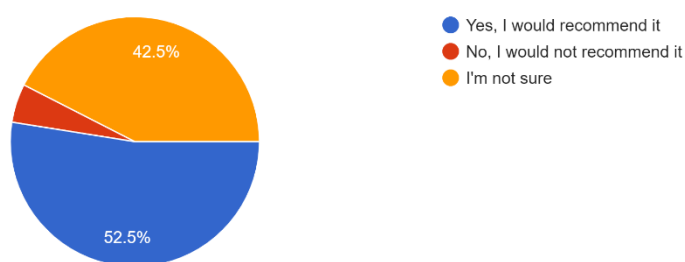


Figure 4.14: Respondent's likeliness of recommendation of diet consulting application to their friends or family members.

The questionnaire continued to ask on respondent's likeliness of recommendation of diet consulting application to their friends or family members. 21 respondents (52.5%) state that they would recommend a diet consulting application to their friends or family members if they found out that the application is useful in the first place. Then, 17 respondents (42.5%) stated

that they are not sure whether they will recommend a diet consulting to their friends or family.

How important is it for a diet consulting application to provide recipes that cater to dietary restrictions, such as gluten-free, vegetarian, or vegan options?

40 responses

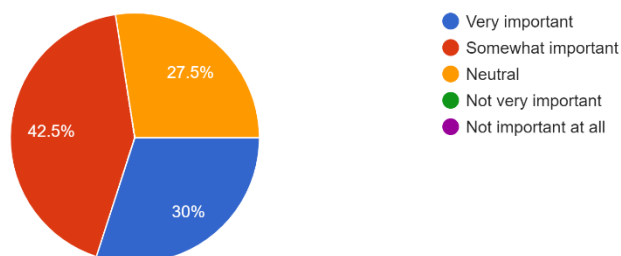


Figure 4.15: Importance of a diet consulting application to provide recipes.

The next question for this section is about the importance of diet consulting application to provide recipes that cater to dietary restrictions. 17 respondents (42.5%) stated that it is somewhat important to have this function, 12 respondents (30%) stated that it is very important to have this function while 11 respondents (27.5%) stated that they are having neutral thoughts on this statement.

How satisfied are you with the diet consulting application you currently use?

40 responses

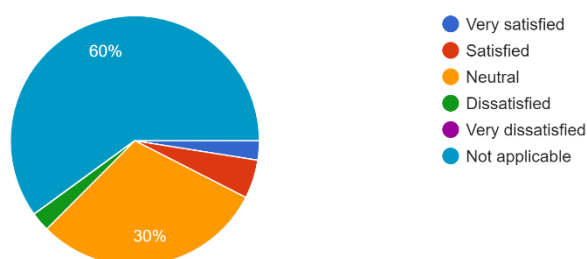


Figure 4.16: Satisfaction with currently use diet consulting application.

Next, the questionnaire asked the respondents whether they are satisfied with currently use diet consulting application. 24 respondents (60%) said that this is not applicable to them, while 12 respondents (30%) stated that

they are having a neutral opinion on this. This shows that the majority of the respondents do not have the habit of using a diet consulting application.

How important is it for a diet consulting application to have a community aspect, such as the ability to connect with other users for support and motivation?

40 responses

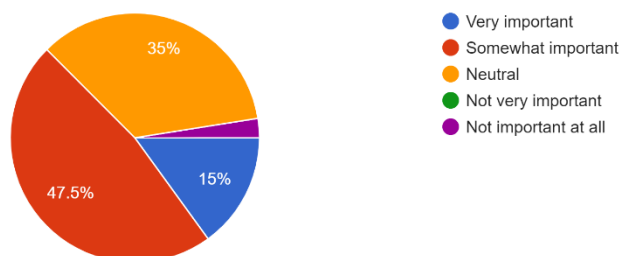


Figure 4.17: Importance of diet consulting application to have a community aspect.

The next question asked about the importance of diet consulting applications to have a community aspect. 19 respondents (47.5%) stated that the community aspect is somewhat important, 14 respondents (35%) stated that they are having neutral opinion on this aspect whereas 6 respondents (15%) stated that this community aspect is very important for a diet consulting application as the ability to connect with other users can help to increase motivation.

How likely are you to continue using a diet consulting application in the future?

38 responses

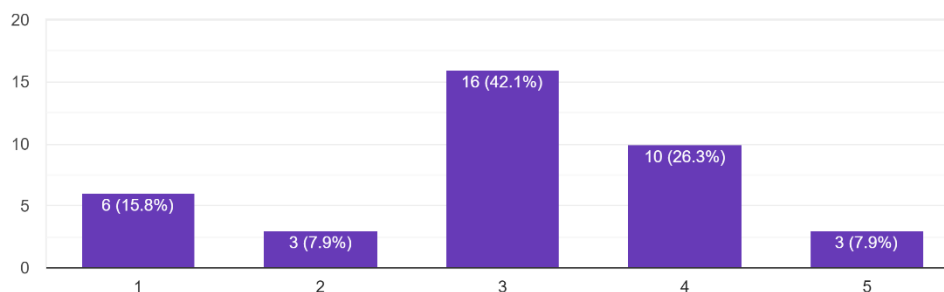


Figure 4.18: Likelihood of continuous usage of diet consulting applications in the future.

The questionnaire further asked about the likeliness of respondents' continuous usage of diet consulting applications in the future. 16 respondents (42.1%) voted for likeliness of 3, 10 respondents (26.3%) voted for likeliness of 4. In contrast, Likeliness 2 and 5 were both voted by 3 respondents (7.9%). This shows that these respondents are not sure whether they should or not to continue using diet consulting applications in the future, a promising functional diet consulting application must be introduced to keep these respondents to remain as user.

How often would you like to receive updates or reminders from a diet consulting application?
40 responses

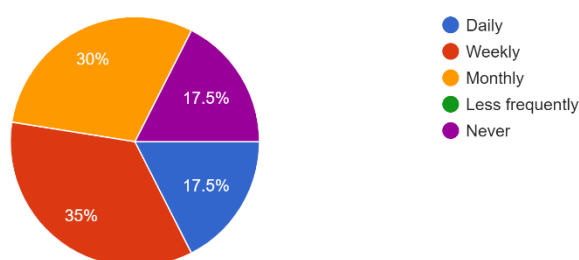


Figure 4.19: Likelihood of 40 respondents receiving updates or reminders from a diet consulting application.

Next, the questionnaire continues to ask the respondents about the likelihood of receiving updates or reminders from a diet consulting application. 14 respondents (35%) prefer to receive updates or reminders in weekly basis. 12 respondents (30%) prefer to receive updates or reminders in monthly basis. However, 7 respondents (17.5%) prefer to receive updates or reminder in both daily basis and never receive any updates or reminders.

Do you own a smartwatch that tracing your health data?
40 responses

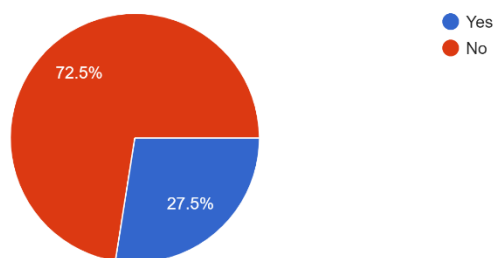


Figure 4.20: Availability of smartwatch among 40 respondents.

Lastly, the respondents were asked that whether do they own a smartwatch that able to trace their health data. 29 respondents (72.5%) stated that they do not own a smartwatch that able to trace health data while 11 respondents (27.5%) stated that they own a smartwatch that able to trace their health data.

4.3 Requirement Specification

There are two types of requirements specifications which is functional requirements and the non-functional requirements. The functional requirements feature that must be present in the proposed system in order fulfil the expectation of the user. Non-functional requirements of this proposed system, on the other hand, include usability, performance, availability, security, compatibility, and operational. The proposed system should meet the non-functional requirements listed so that the finalised software system has the quality and high performance.

4.3.1 Functional Requirement

Functional Requirement ID	Functional Requirement Statement
FR001	The application shall be able to allow user to register and create a user profile by providing basic information.
FR002	The application shall allow user to modify their user profiles.
FR003	The application shall be able to generate a personalized diet plan based on user's goals and food preferences.
FR004	The application shall provide basic information about the foods included in the diet plan such as calorie value.
FR005	The application shall allow users to record their progress toward their goals by tracking their health attributes.
FR006	The application shall provide visual representations of progress, such as graphs.
FR007	The application shall be able to allow users to log their lean mass, fat mass, height and weight manually in daily basis.
FR008	The application shall have a chatbot feature that allows users to ask questions about diet related problems and receive personalized responses.
FR009	The application shall be able to receive feedback from user to further improvise on the application.

4.3.2 Non-Functional Requirement

1.0 Usability

1.1. The application shall be user-friendly, easy to navigate and has a clean interface so that it is easy for user to interact with the application.

1.2. The application shall be able to have easy-to-understand guideline so that user able to perform actions without guidance of a technical person.

2.0 Performance

2.1. The application shall be able to respond to the user input in less than 10 seconds.

2.2. The application shall be able to has quick load times while handle large amounts of data.

3.0 Availability

3.1. The application shall be available all the time with minimal downtime for maintenance or updates that will causes the application to become unavailable to the user.

4.0 Security

4.1. The application shall not allow user to access the account without a valid user credential to prevent unauthorized access.

4.2. The application shall protect user data privacy and security such as personal information, health data and password protection.

5.0 Compatibility

5.1. The application shall be able to run smoothly on Android version 12.0 and above.

5.2. The application shall be able to work smoothly on Android devices of various resolutions and screen sizes.

6.0 Operational

6.1 The application shall be able to has an AI algorithm that provide accurate results with a minimum accuracy rate of 90%.

4.4 System Use Case

4.4.1 Use Case Diagram

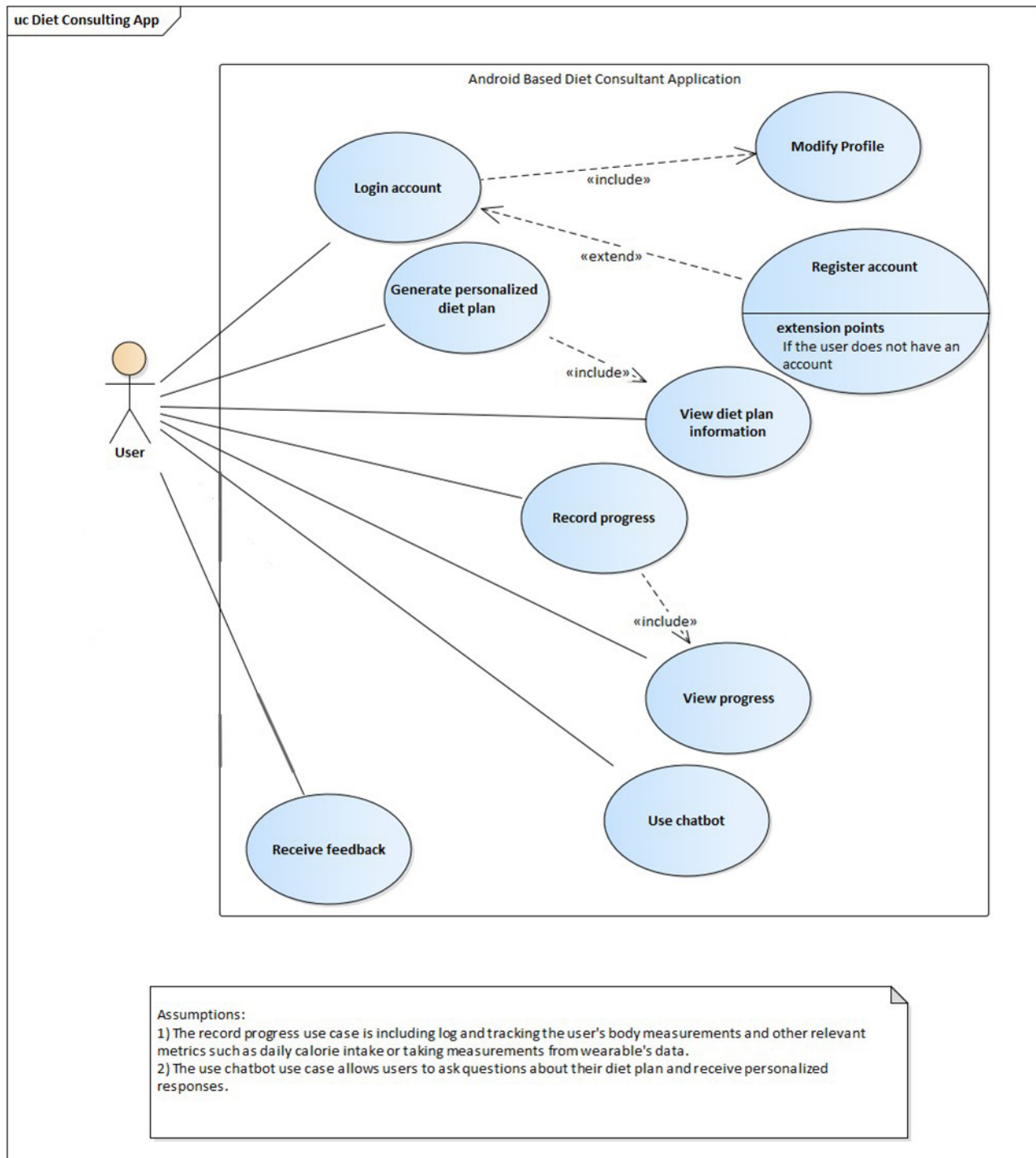


Figure 4.21: Use case diagram for the proposed application

4.4.2 Use Case Description

Use Case Name: Login Account	ID: UC001	Importance Level: High
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real	
Stakeholders and Interests: User – wants to log in into his/her account to access the android mobile application.		
Brief Description: This use case describes how the user can log in to his/her account in order to access the android mobile application.		
Trigger: User wants to log in to his/her account to access the android mobile application.		
Relationships: Association : User Include : Modify Profile Extend : Register Account Generalization: -		
Normal Flow of Events: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user launches the diet consultant application. 2. The user selects the login function in the welcome screen. 3. The user enters his/her credential in the Sign In screen. 4. The application validates the email address and password. 5. The user is successfully logged into the diet consultant application to perform the functions provided by the application. 		
Sub-flows: -		
Alternate/Exceptional Flows: 2a: If the user does not have an account, “Register account” use case (ID:2) is performed. 4a: If the user enters the invalid email address or password, the application will prompt an error message and the user will need to re-enter the email address and password.		

Use Case Name: Register Account	ID: UC002	Importance Level: High
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real	
<p>Stakeholders and Interests:</p> <p>User – wants to register an account to be used to log in and access the android mobile application.</p>		
<p>Brief Description: This use case describes how the user can register an account to be used to login and access the android mobile application.</p>		
<p>Trigger: User wants to register an account to login and access to the android mobile application.</p>		
<p>Relationships:</p> <p>Association : Login Account (ID: 1)</p> <p>Include : -</p> <p>Extend : -</p> <p>Generalization: -</p>		
<p>Normal Flow of Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user launches the diet consultant application. 2. The user selects the register function in the welcome screen and redirect to Register Screen. 3. The user enters his/her age. 4. The user enters his/her weight and height. 5. The user enters his/her medical history and food preferences. 6. The user enters his/her nickname, email address and password in the Register Account 7. The user will redirect to the Home screen of the application. 		
<p>Sub-flows: -</p>		
<p>Alternate/Exceptional Flows:-</p>		

Use Case Name: Modify Profile	ID: UC003	Importance Moderate	Level:
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real		
Stakeholders and Interests:			
User – wants to update his/her profile personal information to the current latest health conditions such as medical conditions and food preferences.			
Brief Description: The use case describes how the user can update his/her profile personal information to the current latest health conditions such as medical conditions and food preferences.			
Trigger: User wants to update his/her profile personal information to the current latest health conditions such as medical conditions and food preferences.			
Relationships:			
Association : Login Account (ID: 1)			
Include : -			
Extend : -			
Generalization: -			
Normal Flow of Events:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user selects on the Edit icon button besides the particular information that he/she wishes to make changes in the Profile screen. 2. The user enters the new information. 3. The user clicks the Save button the save the changes made. 4. The user will redirect back to the Profile screen. 			
Sub-flows: -			
Alternate/Exceptional Flows:			
3a: If the user does not make any changes, he/she can return back to the Profile screen by select on the Back button instead of the Save button.			

Use Case Name: Generate personalized diet plan	ID: UC006	Importance Level: High
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real	
<p>Stakeholders and Interests:</p> <p>User – wants to generate a personalized diet plan based on his/her’s goals, preferences, and dietary needs.</p>		
<p>Brief Description: The use case describes how the user generate a personalized diet plan based on his/her’s goals, preferences, and dietary needs.</p>		
<p>Trigger: User wants to generate a personalized diet plan based on his/her’s goals, preferences, and dietary needs.</p>		
<p>Relationships:</p> <p>Association : User</p> <p>Include : View diet plan information</p> <p>Extend : -</p> <p>Generalization: -</p>		
<p>Normal Flow of Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user wishes to generate a personalized diet plan. 2. The application calculates the user’s BMR, BMI, percentage of fats and muscle mass based on user’s information. 3. The user set a goal such as losing weight, maintaining weight, or gaining weight. 4. The application generates a personalized meal plan after selecting on the ‘Generate’ button. 5. The user will redirect to the Diet plan view screen. 6. ‘View diet plan information’ use case (ID:5) flow will be performed. 		
<p>Sub-flows: -</p>		
<p>Alternate/Exceptional Flows:</p> <p>4a: If the user does not want to generate any diet plan, he/she can return back to home page by selects on ‘Back’ button instead of ‘Generate’ button.</p>		

Use Case Name: View diet plan information	ID: UC007	Importance Level: High
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real	
<p>Stakeholders and Interests:</p> <p>User- wants to view his/her’s diet plan information after generating his/her personalized diet plan.</p>		
<p>Brief Description: The use case describes how the user can view his/her’s diet plan information after generating his/her personalized diet plan.</p>		
<p>Trigger: User wants to view his/her’s diet plan information after generating his/her personalized diet plan.</p>		
<p>Relationships:</p> <p>Association : User</p> <p>Include : -</p> <p>Extend : -</p> <p>Generalization: -</p>		
<p>Normal Flow of Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User wishes to view his/her current diet plan information. 2. User navigates to the “View Diet Plan” screen. 3. User presses on the specific diet plan that he/she wants to view. 4. The application displays the diet plan information. 5. The user can navigate back to the “Generate diet plan” screen to generate a new personalized diet plan. 		
<p>Sub-flows:-</p>		
<p>Alternate/Exceptional Flows: -</p>		

Use Case Name: Record progress	ID: UC004	Importance Moderate	Level:
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real		
Stakeholders and Interests: User – wants to record his/her daily progress to keep track of the body condition in daily basis.			
Brief Description: The use case describes how the user can record his/her body condition in daily basis.			
Trigger: User wants to record his/her body condition in daily bas			
Relationships: Association : User Include : View progress Extend : - Generalization: -			
Normal Flow of Events: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user navigates to the “Record Progress” screen. 2. The application will display a form for the user to input their progress information such as weight or measurement manually. 3. The application validates the user’s input and stores the information in the user’s profile. 4. The application provides feedback to the user on their progress by indicating the level of user’s health. 5. The user can choose to proceed to view their other health attribute’s progress history or proceed to other screen. 			
Sub-flows: -			
Alternate/Exceptional Flows: -			

Use Case Name: View Progress	ID: UC005	Importance Moderate	Level:
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real		
Stakeholders and Interests: User – wants to view the visual representations of progress such as chart and graph.			
Brief Description: The use case describes how the user can view the visual representations of progress such as chart and graph.			
Trigger: User wants to view the visual representations of progress such as chart and graph.			
Relationships: Association : User Include : - Extend : - Generalization: -			
Normal Flow of Events: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User wishes to view his current or past progress data. 2. The user navigates to the “View Progress” screen in the application. 3. The application displays a list of user’s previously recorded progress data, such as BMR, BMI or body fat percentage in a chart format. 4. The user can also choose to filter the progress data accordingly using data range, measurement type or other criteria. 5. User can choose to redirect back other screen after viewing the progress chart. 			
Sub-flows: -			
Alternate/Exceptional Flows:-			

Use Case Name: Use chatbot	ID: UC008	Importance Level: High
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real	
<p>Stakeholders and Interests:</p> <p>User – wants to use chatbot feature that allows users to ask questions about their diet plan and receive personalized responses.</p>		
<p>Brief Description: This use case describes how the user can use chatbot feature that allow users to ask questions about their diet plan and receive personalized responses.</p>		
<p>Trigger: User wants to use chatbot feature that allows users to ask questions about their diet plan and receive personalized responses.</p>		
<p>Relationships:</p> <p>Association : User</p> <p>Include : -</p> <p>Extend : -</p> <p>Generalization: -</p>		
<p>Normal Flow of Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user selects on the “Chatbot” button in the home screen. 2. The application displays the chatbot interface. 3. The user input a message or questions for the chatbot. 4. The chatbot uses the AI algorithm to analyze the message and generate a response. 5. The user can continue the conversation with the chatbot by sending additional messages. 6. The chatbot can provide personalized diet advice and tips based on the user’s profile information and progress. 7. The user can end the conversation by selecting the “End Chat” button. 8. The application will store the conversation history for user’s future reference. 		
<p>Sub-flows: -</p>		
<p>Alternate/Exceptional Flows: -</p>		

Use Case Name: Receive feedback	ID: UC009	Importance Level: High
Primary Actor: User	Use Case Type: Detail, Real	
Stakeholders and Interests:		
<p>User – wants to provide feedback</p> <p>Project Team – The team will improvise the application by updating the application.</p>		
Brief Description: This use case describes how a user provides a feedback and how the project team refer to the feedback and improve the application,		
Trigger: The user discovers some error or dissatisfaction of the application and provide feedback to the project team, the project team receives and improve the application based on the feedback.		
Relationships:		
Association : User, Project Team		
Include : -		
Extend : -		
Generalization: -		
Normal Flow of Events:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The user discovers some error or dissatisfaction of the application and provide feedback to project team through the application. 2. The project team will view the feedback and analyze the problem. 3. The project team will reply to the feedback given by the user and the user will view the feedback. 4. The project team will make a report and analyze on the application problem. 5. The project team will improvise the application based on the problem by updating the application. 		
Sub-flows:-		
Alternate/Exceptional Flows:-		

4.5 Interface Flow Diagram

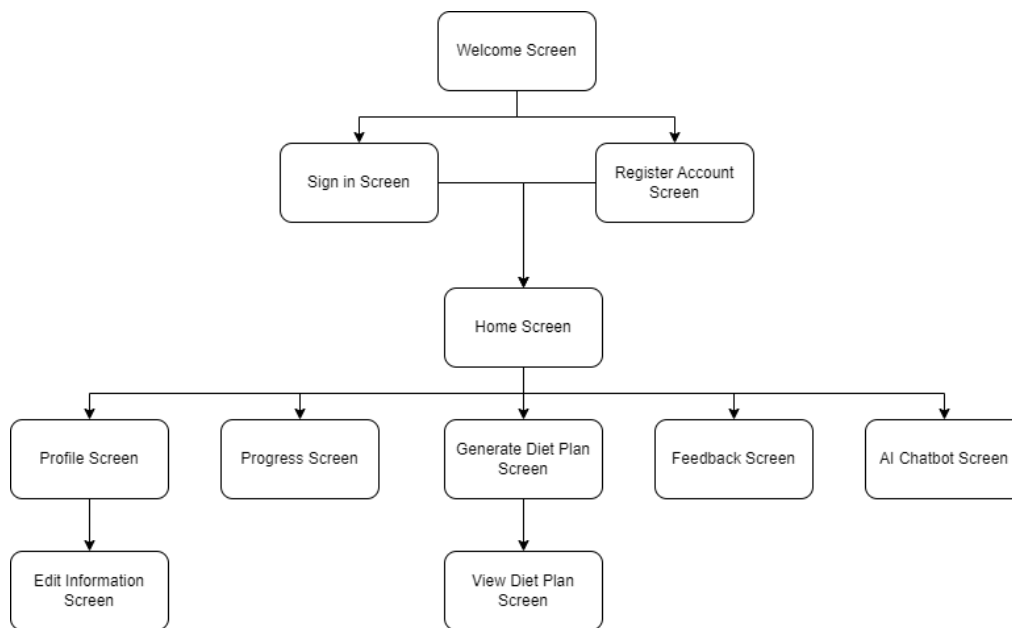


Figure 4.22: Interface flow diagram of the proposed system

4.6 Prototype

4.6.1 Mobile Application Interface Design

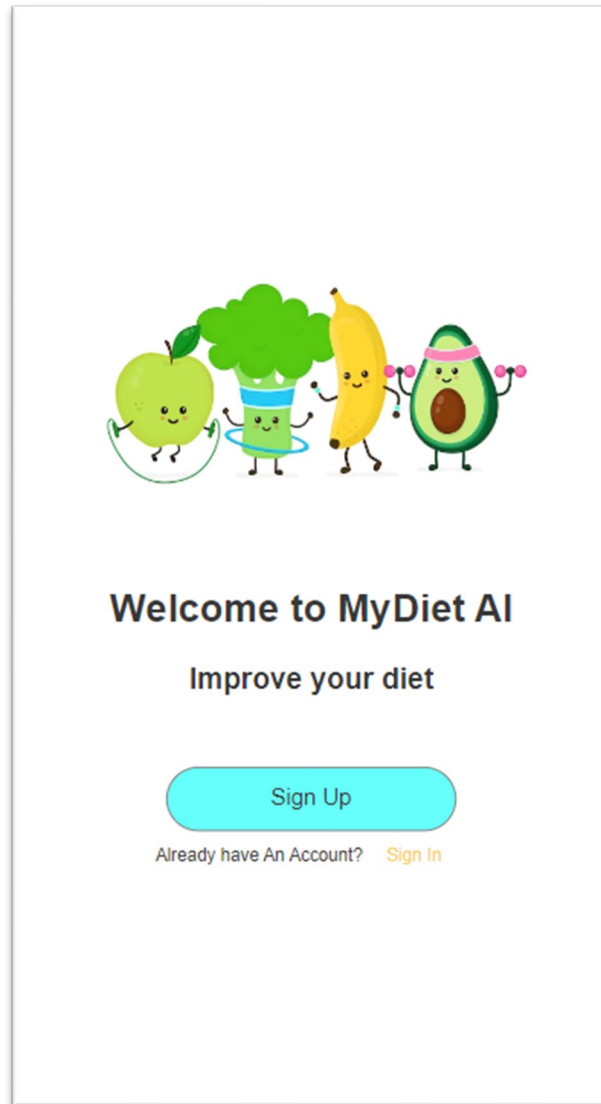


Figure 4.23: Welcome Screen.

The image displays two mobile application screens side-by-side. The left screen is the 'Sign Up' screen, featuring a 'Back' link at the top left, the title 'Sign Up' and brand name 'MyDietAI' centered at the top. It contains four input fields: 'Email', 'Username', 'Password', and 'Confirm Password'. A blue 'Sign Up' button is positioned below the fields, and a link 'Already have an account? Log in' is at the bottom. The right screen is the 'Login' screen, also with a 'Back' link at the top left, the title 'Login' and brand name 'MyDietAI' centered at the top. It features two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. A blue 'Login' button is located below the fields, and a link 'Don't have an account? Sign Up' is at the bottom.

Figure 4.24: Sign Up and Login Screen.

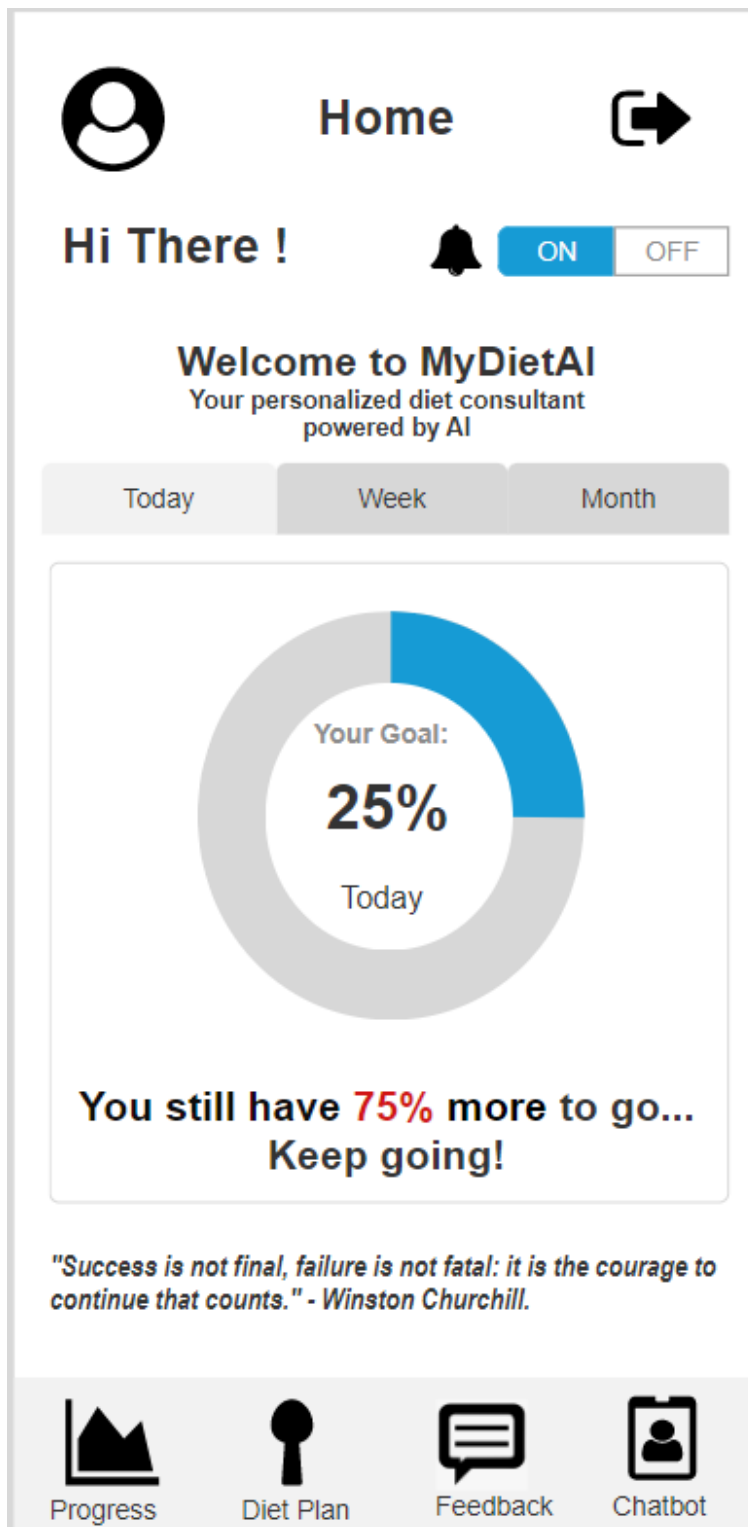
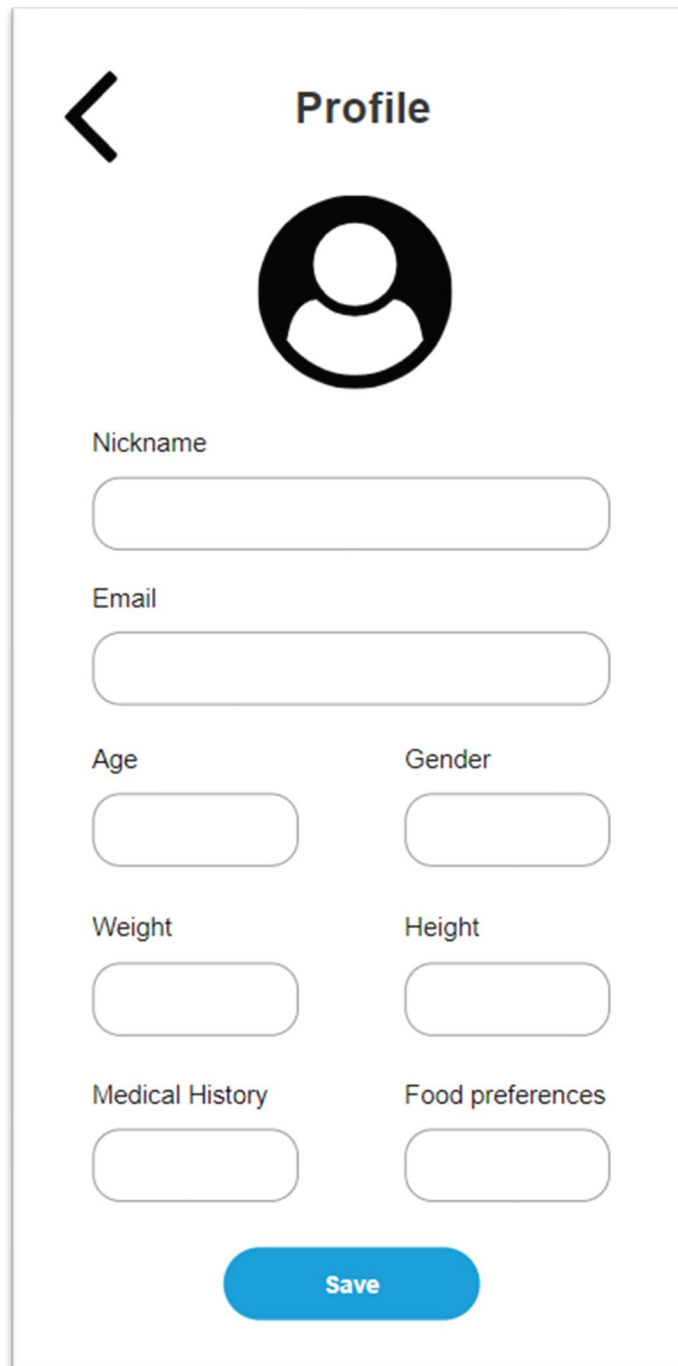


Figure 4.25: Home Screen.



The image shows a mobile application profile screen. At the top left is a back arrow icon. The title 'Profile' is centered at the top. Below the title is a large circular placeholder for a profile picture. Underneath are several input fields: a single-line text field for 'Nickname', a single-line text field for 'Email', and two columns of two-line text fields for 'Age' and 'Gender', 'Weight' and 'Height', and 'Medical History' and 'Food preferences'. At the bottom center is a blue rounded rectangular button labeled 'Save'.

Profile

Nickname

Email

Age

Gender

Weight

Height

Medical History

Food preferences

Save

Figure 4.26: Profile Screen.

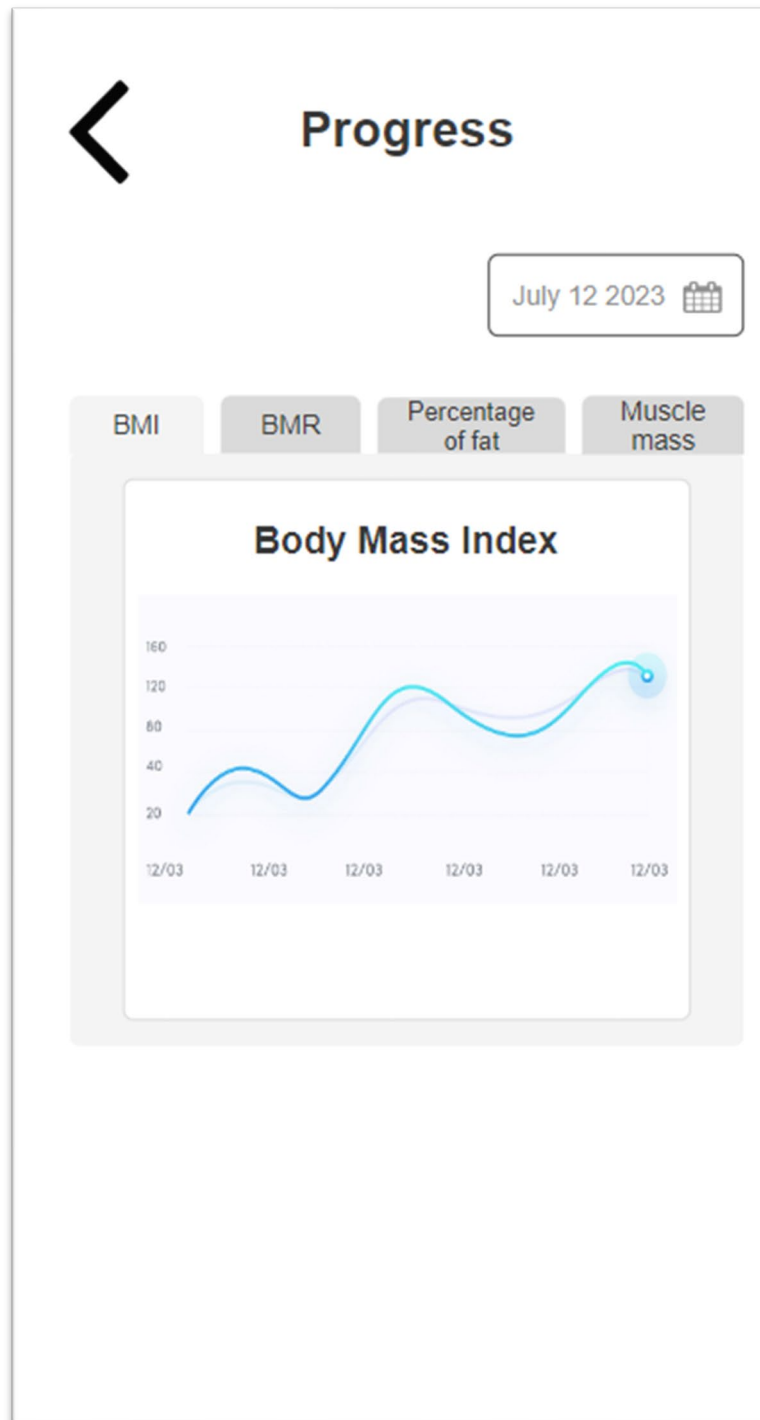


Figure 4.27: Progress Screen.

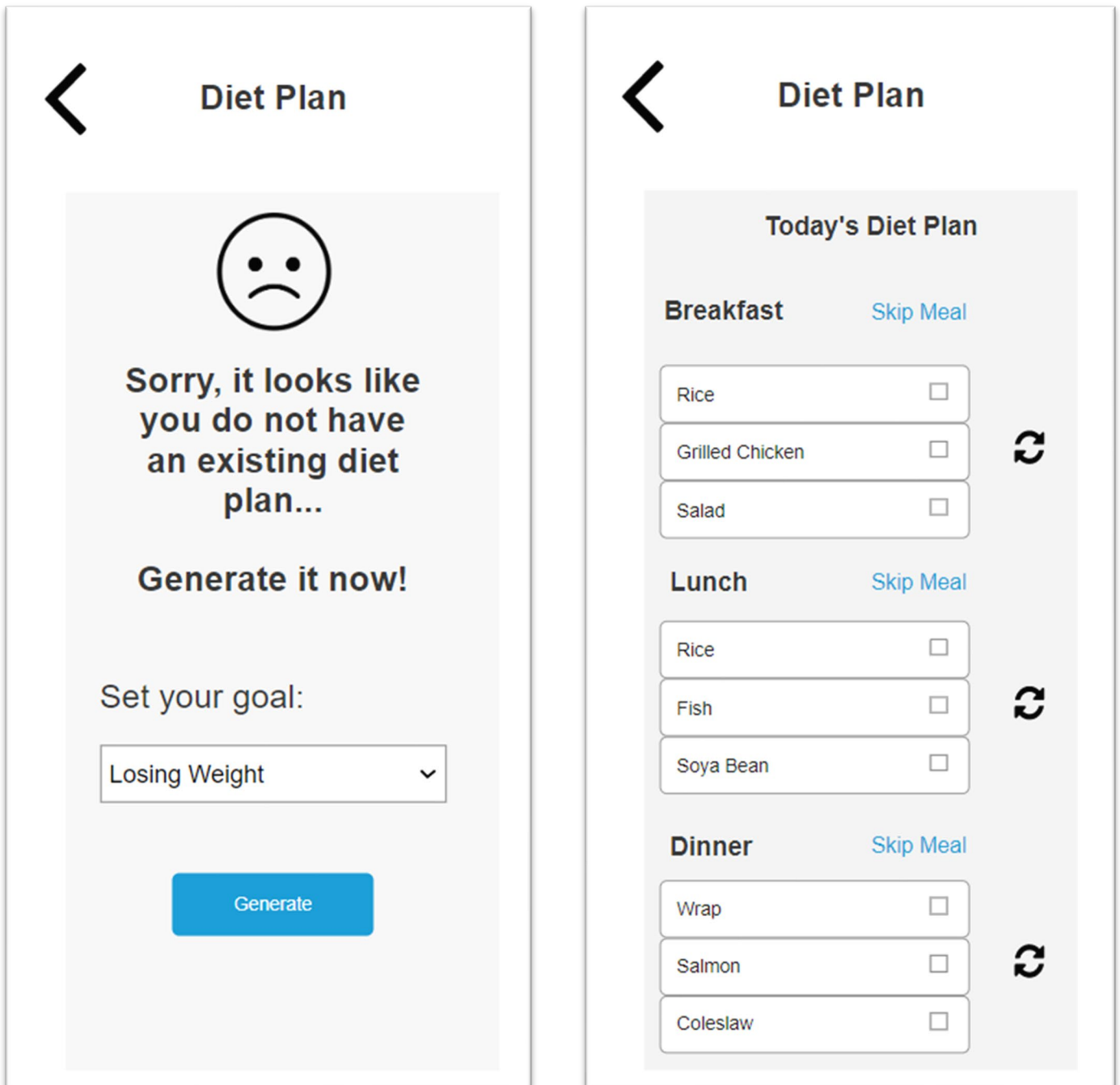
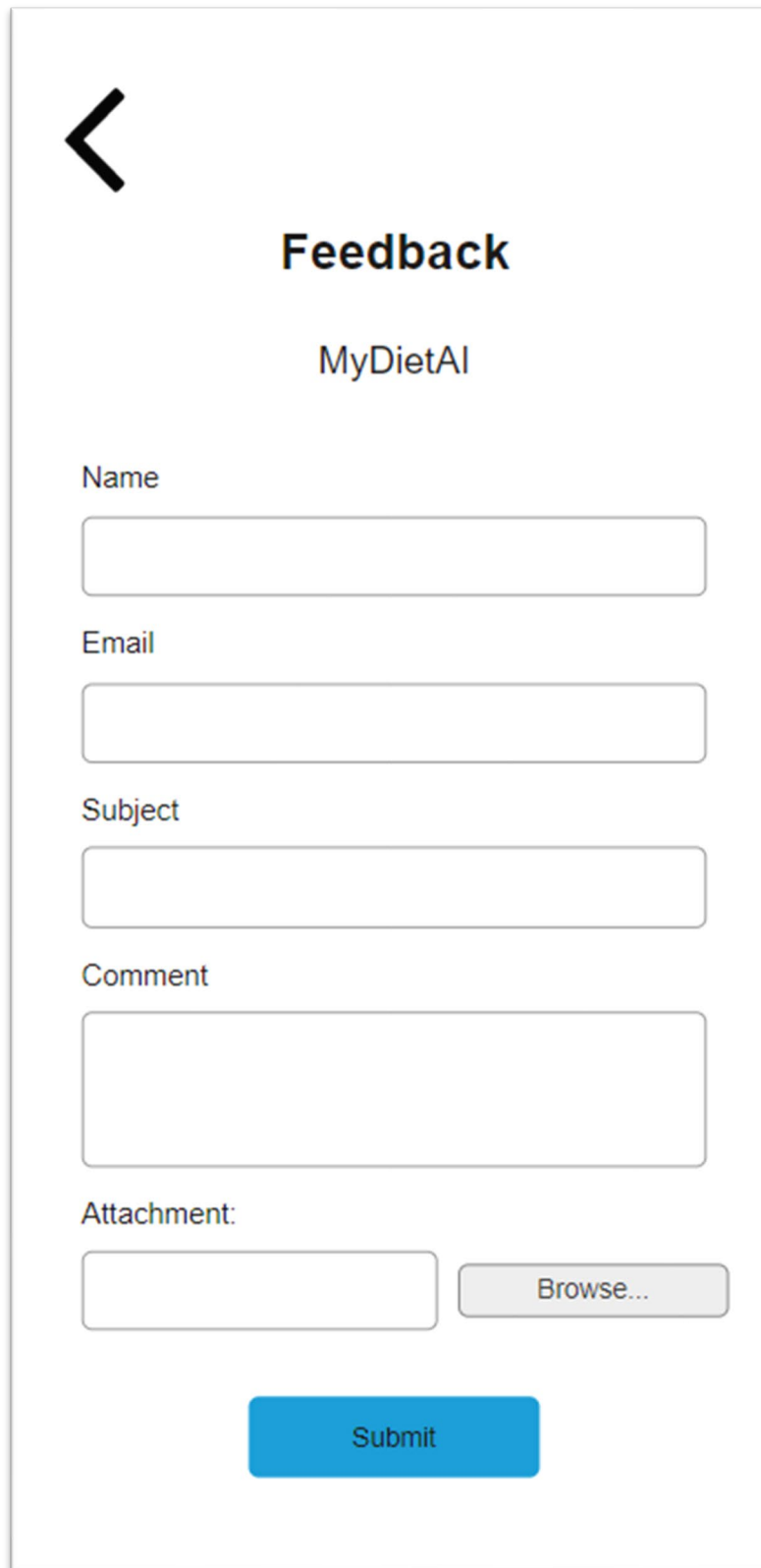


Figure 4.28: Diet Plan Screen



The image shows a mobile application feedback screen. At the top left is a black back arrow icon. The title 'Feedback' is centered in a bold black font, with 'MyDietAI' centered below it in a regular black font. The form consists of several input fields: 'Name' with a single-line text box, 'Email' with a single-line text box, 'Subject' with a single-line text box, and 'Comment' with a larger multi-line text box. Below these is an 'Attachment:' label, followed by a single-line text box and a grey 'Browse...' button. At the bottom center is a blue 'Submit' button.

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Feedback

MyDietAI

Name

Email

Subject

Comment

Attachment:

Figure 4.29: Feedback Screen.

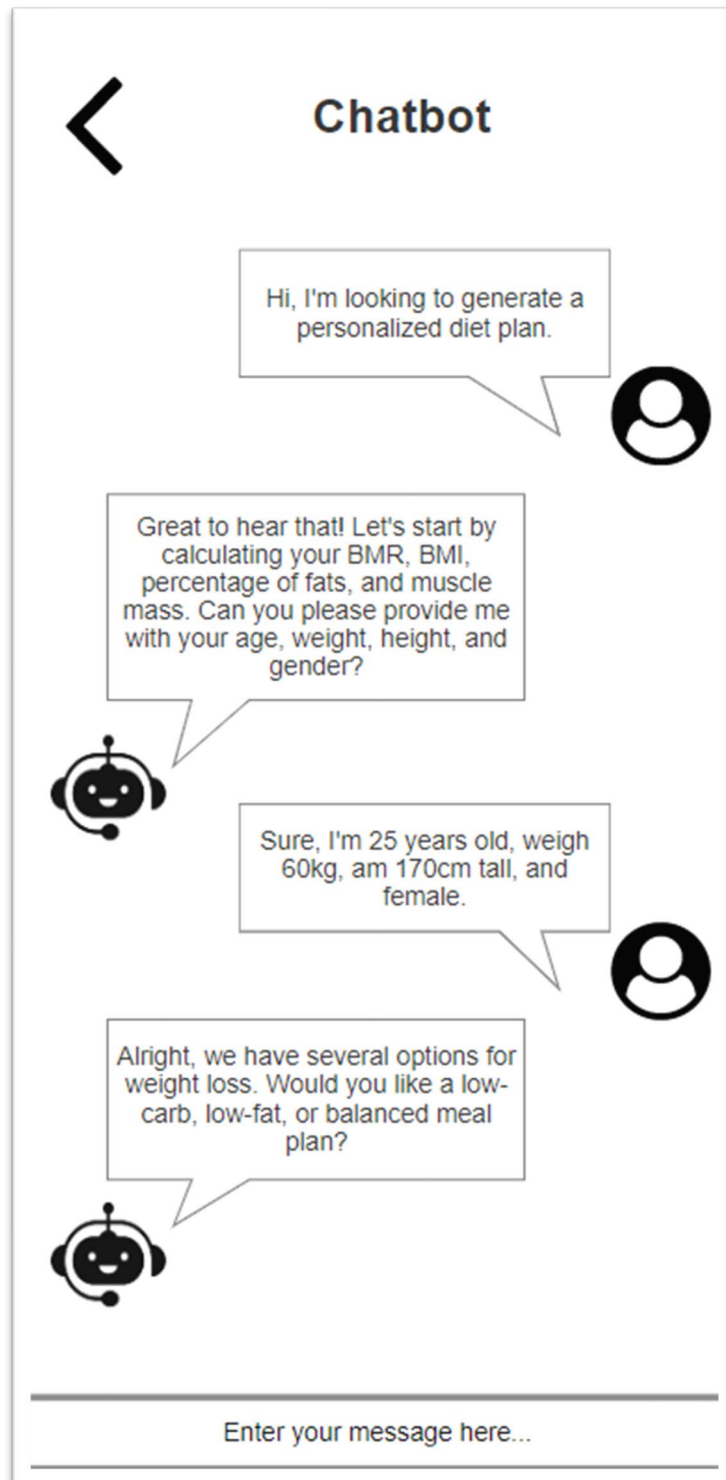


Figure 4.30: Chatbot Screen

CHAPTER 5

DESIGN

5.1 Introduction

This chapter showcases the prototype designs, modelling diagrams, and system architecture of the implemented system. The system architectural design is presented to illustrate the interconnections and communication among the implemented system, backend server, database, and external APIs. Modelling diagrams, including entity relationship diagrams (ERD), a data dictionary, and activity diagrams, have been generated to elucidate the structure of database, flow, and operational logic of the implemented system. Furthermore, a high-fidelity prototype design has been developed as a reference for the system's user interface implementation, with documented details for comparison and analysis.

5.2 System Architecture Design

The system architecture design is depicted in Figure 5.1. It illustrates the implemented system's behaviour and structure of operation.

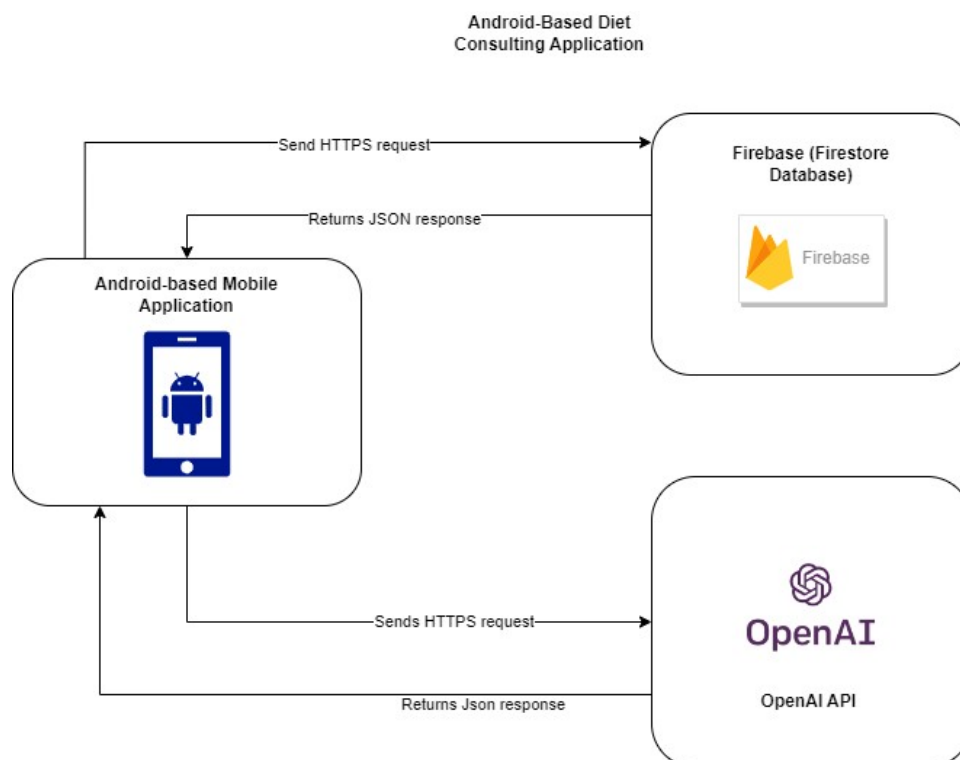


Figure 5.1: System Architecture Design

The implemented system is an Android-based mobile application developed using the Flutter framework. This application interacts seamlessly with Firebase's Firestore database for storing crucial user data, including user progress, diet plans, and feedback. Firebase's authentication system is employed for user login and signup procedures, ensuring a secure and user-friendly experience.

Additionally, the implemented system integrates with the OpenAI API to access advanced AI-driven features. Through this API, the application can provide personalized meal planning and engage in virtual diet chatbot interactions. Users can receive tailored advice and information related to their goals, food preferences, etc, all within the app's interface.

Furthermore, to enhance the application's functionality, we've leveraged external APIs, such as the OpenAI API, to retrieve and provide users with the necessary information for specific features and functionalities. This streamlined approach ensures that the app efficiently delivers valuable content and services to users.

The overall architecture of the implemented system fosters smooth communication between the mobile application, Firebase's Firestore database, and the OpenAI API. When users interact with the app, it securely sends and retrieves data from Firebase's Firestore database, offering a seamless and responsive user experience.

5.3 Data Model Design

The modelling diagrams produced encompass various elements, including data models, a data dictionary, and activity diagrams. The initial step involved the creation of Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD), which elucidated how the functional requirements influenced the interconnections among entities. Additionally, the creation of activity diagrams offered a visual representation of various possible activities.

5.3.1 System Database Design

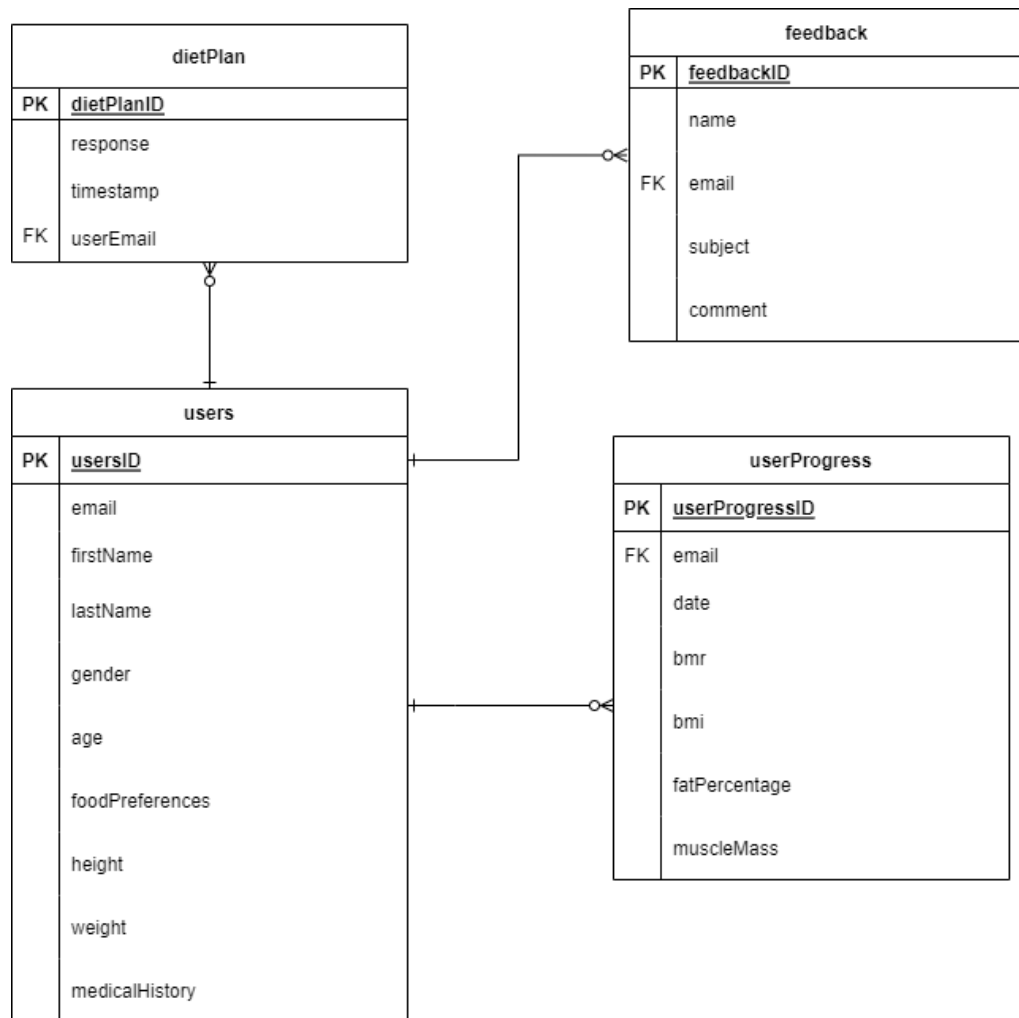


Figure 5.2: ERD Diagram of Android-based diet consultant application

5.3.2 Data Dictionary

Table Name: users

Table 5.1: Data dictionary for users table.

Column Name	Description	Data Type	Size	PK/FK	Nullable
usersID	Unique identification of user	SERIAL	-	PK	No
email	User's email address	VARCHAR	255	FK	No
firstName	User's first name	VARCHAR	25	-	No
lastName	User's last name	VARCHAR	25	-	No
gender	User's gender	VARCHAR	6	-	No
age	User's age	NUMERIC	3,2	-	No
foodPreferences	User's food preferences	VARCHAR	25	-	Yes
height	User's height	NUMERIC	3,2	-	No
weight	User's weight	NUMERIC	3,2	-	No
medicalHistory	User's medical history	VARCHAR	25	-	Yes

Table Name: dietPlan

Table 5.2 : Data dictionary for dietPlan table.

Column Name	Description	Data Type	Size	PK/FK	Nullable
dietPlanID	Unique identification of diet plan	SERIAL	-	PK	No
response	Diet plan's response	VARCHAR	255	-	No
Timestamp	Diet plan's timestamp	VARCHAR	50	-	No
userEmail	User's email address	VARCHAR	255	FK	No

Table Name: feedback

Table 5.3 : Data dictionary for feedback table.

Column Name	Description	Data Type	Size	PK/FK	Nullable
feedbackID	Unique identification of feedback	SERIAL	-	PK	No
name	User's name	VARCHAR	50	-	No
email	User's email	VARCHAR	255	FK	No
subject	User's subject	VARCHAR	50	-	No
comment	User's comment	VARCHAR	255	-	No

Table Name: userProgress

Table 5.4 : Data dictionary for userProgress table.

Column Name	Description	Data Type	Size	PK/FK	Nullable
userProgressID	Unique identification of user progress	SERIAL	-	PK	No
email	User's email address	VARCHAR	255	FK	No
date	User progress's date	VARCHAR	50	-	No
bmr	User's bmr	NUMERIC	5,2	-	No
bmi	User's bmi	NUMERIC	3,2	-	No
fatPercentage	User's fat percentage	NUMERIC	3,2	-	No
muscleMass	User's muscle mass	NUMERIC	3,2	-	No

5.3.3 Activity Diagram

The activity diagrams presented in this section depict the potential workflows and activities within the implemented system. These diagrams offer a visual representation that aids in understanding the application's logical flow and the interactions between users and the system.

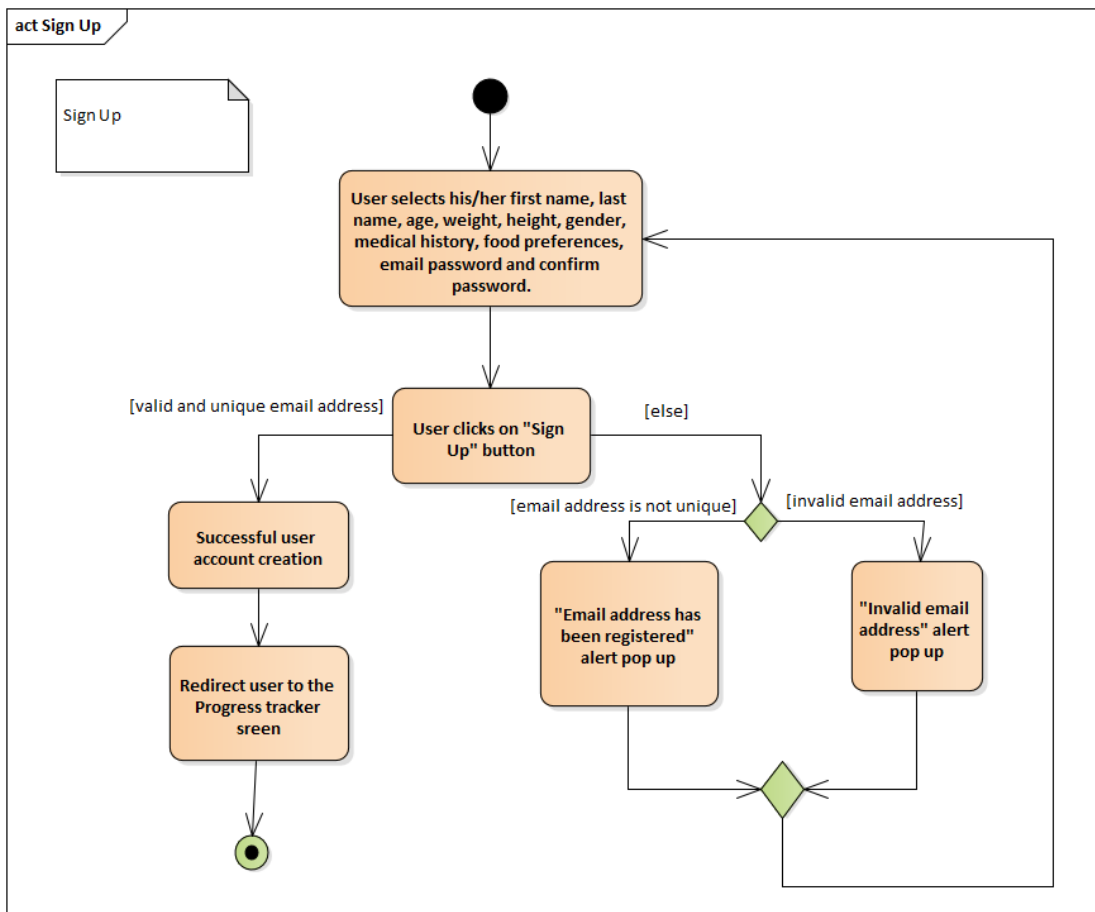


Figure 5.3 : Activity Diagram for Sign Up module.

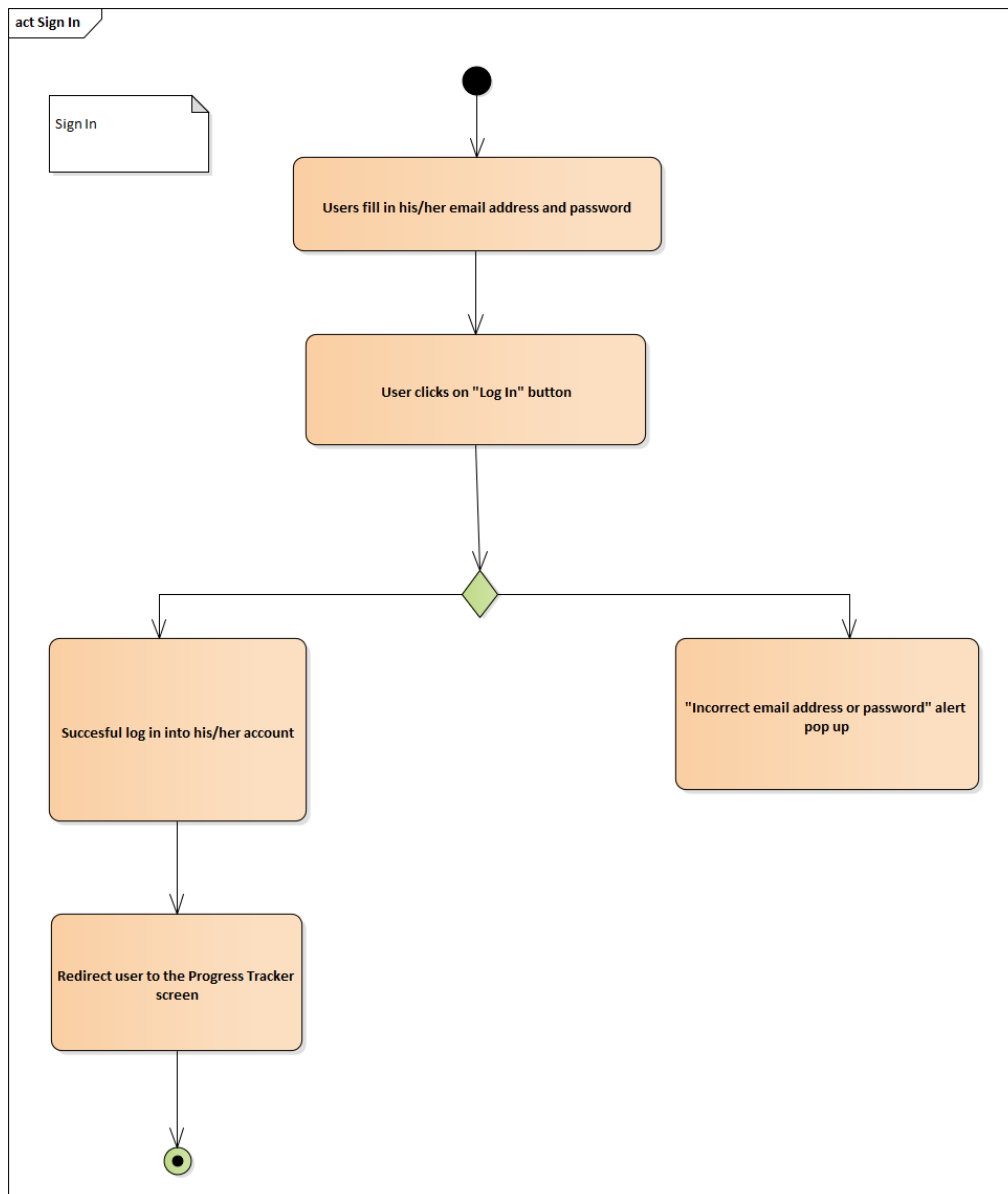


Figure 5.4 : Activity Diagram for Sign In module.

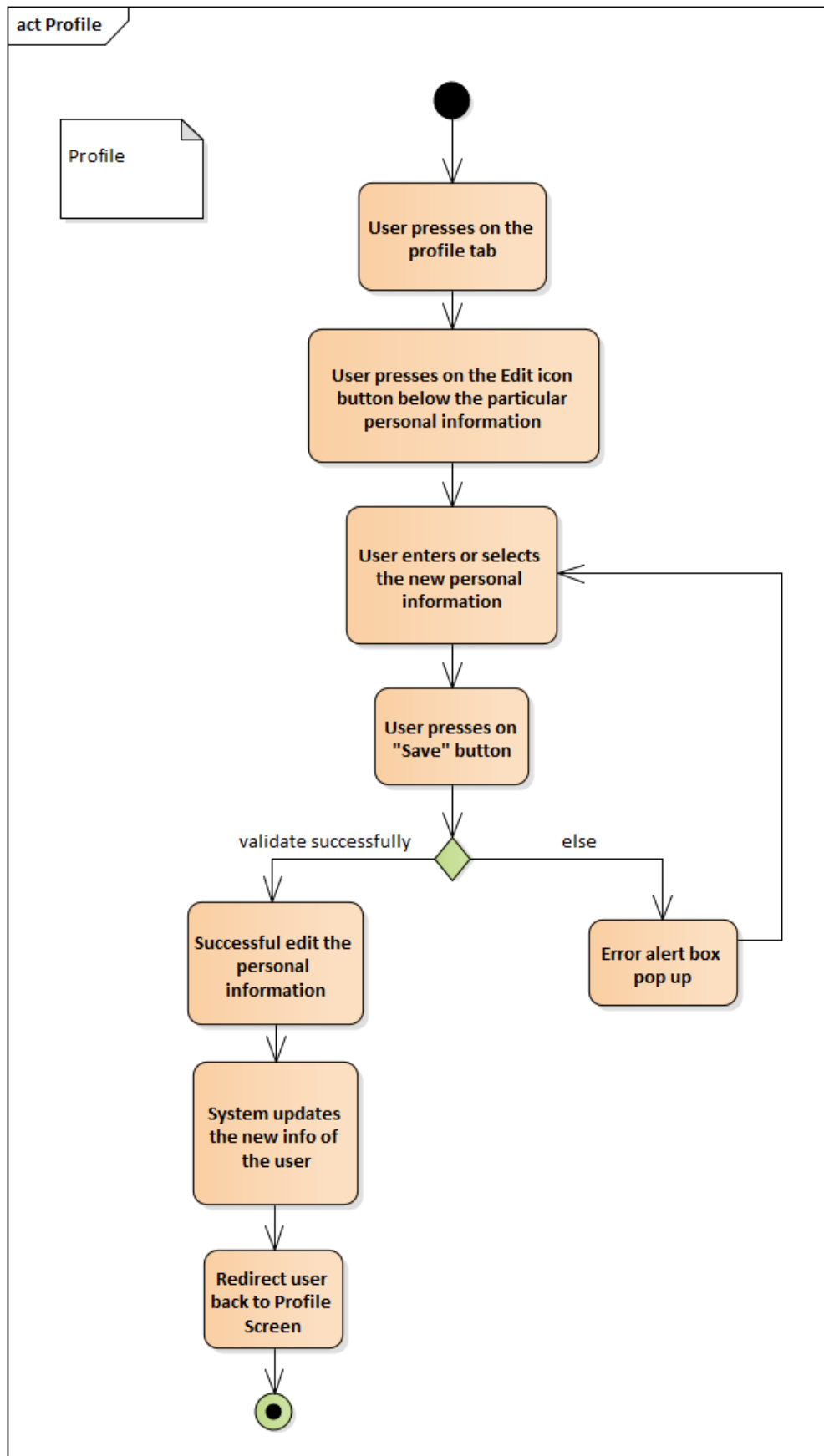


Figure 5.5 : Activity Diagram for Profile module.

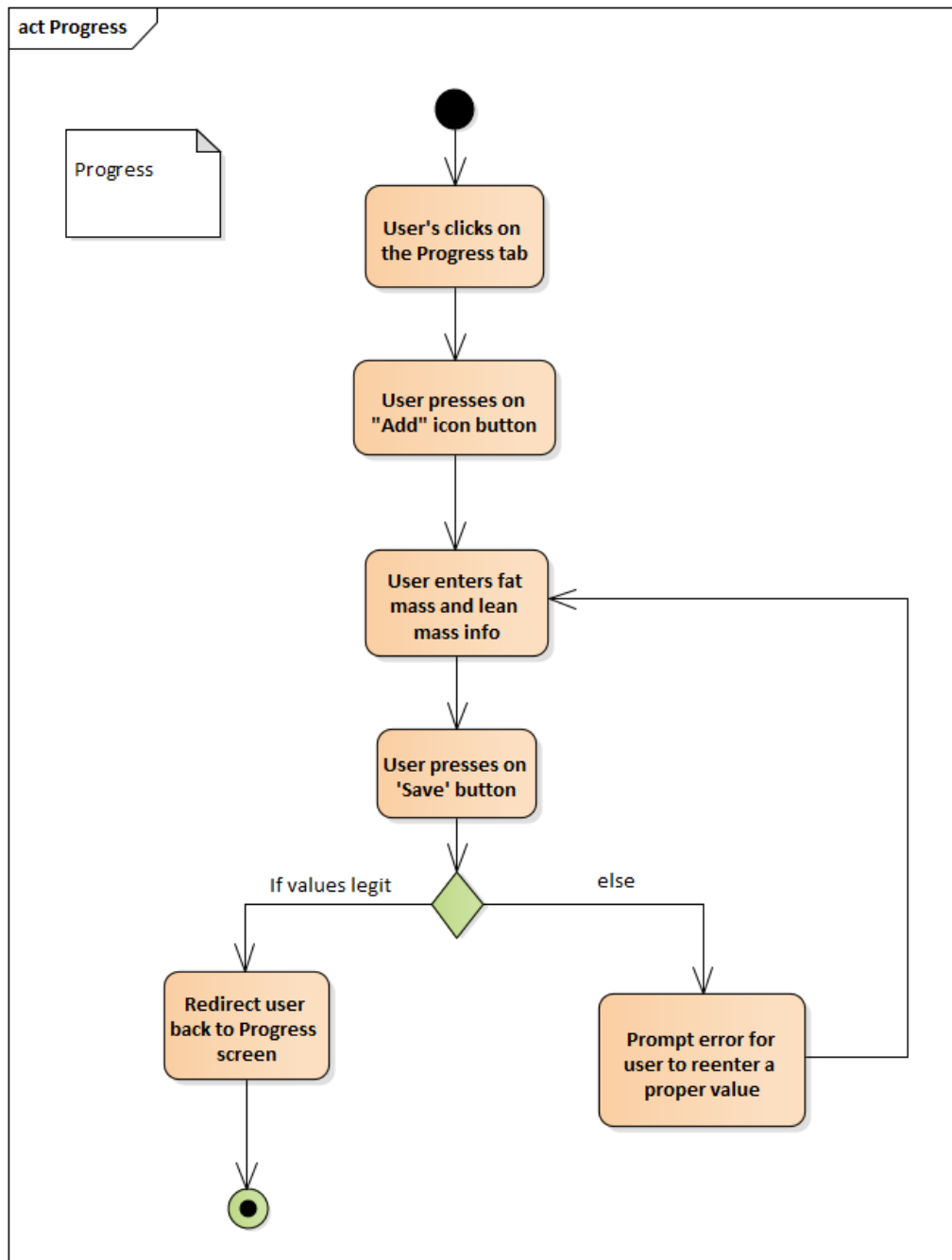


Figure 5.6 : Activity Diagram for Progress Tracker module

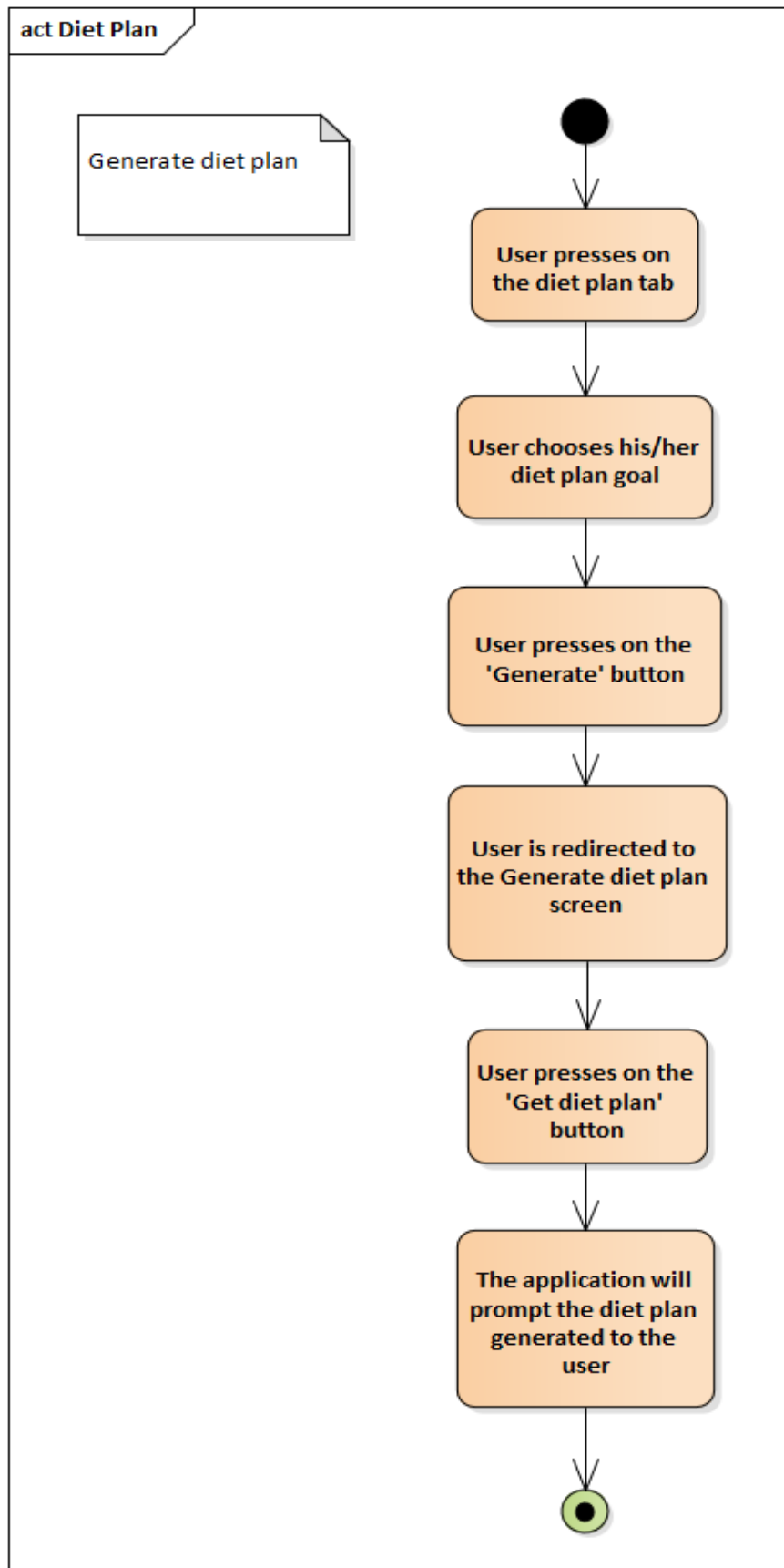


Figure 5.7 : Activity Diagram for Generate Diet Plan module.

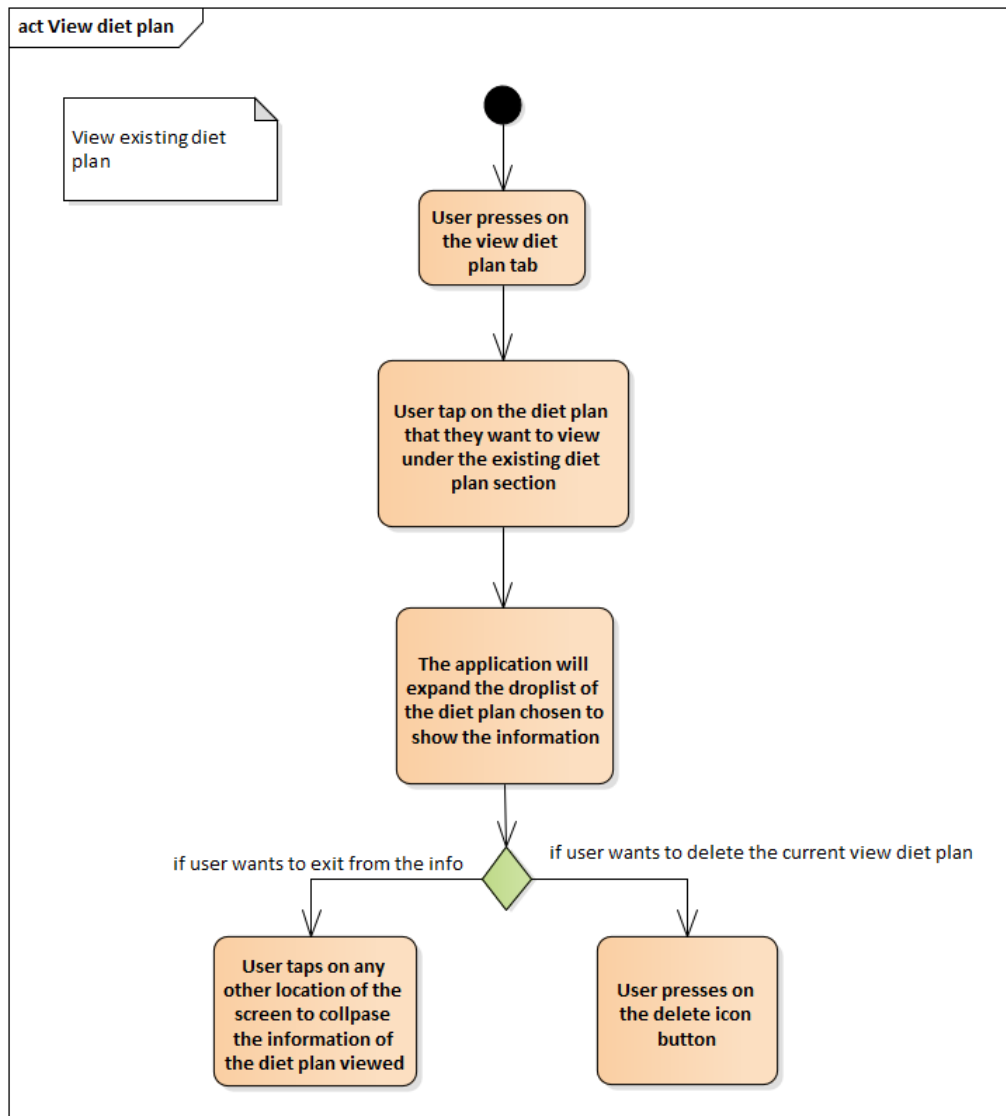


Figure 5.8 : Activity Diagram for View Existing Diet Plan module

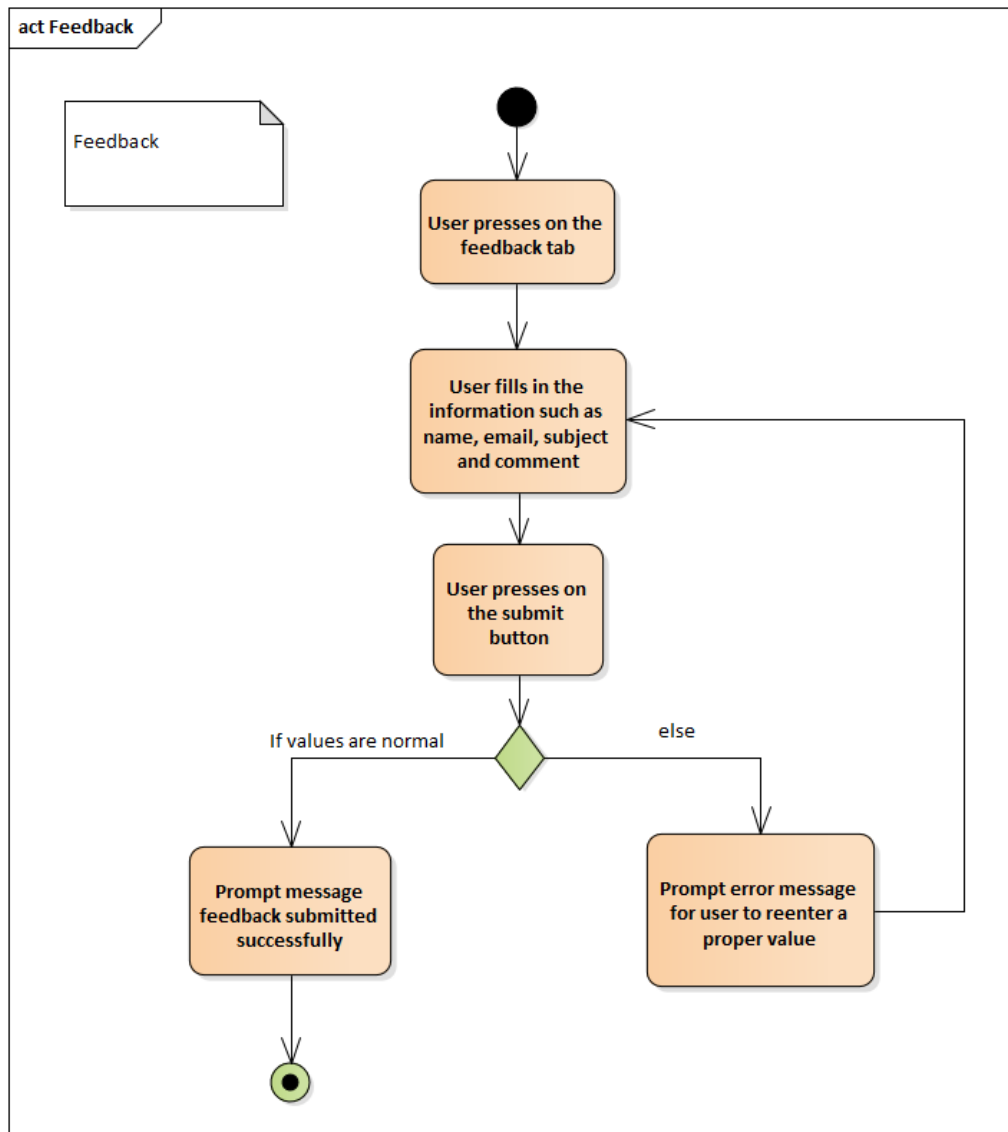


Figure 5.9 : Activity Diagram for Feedback module

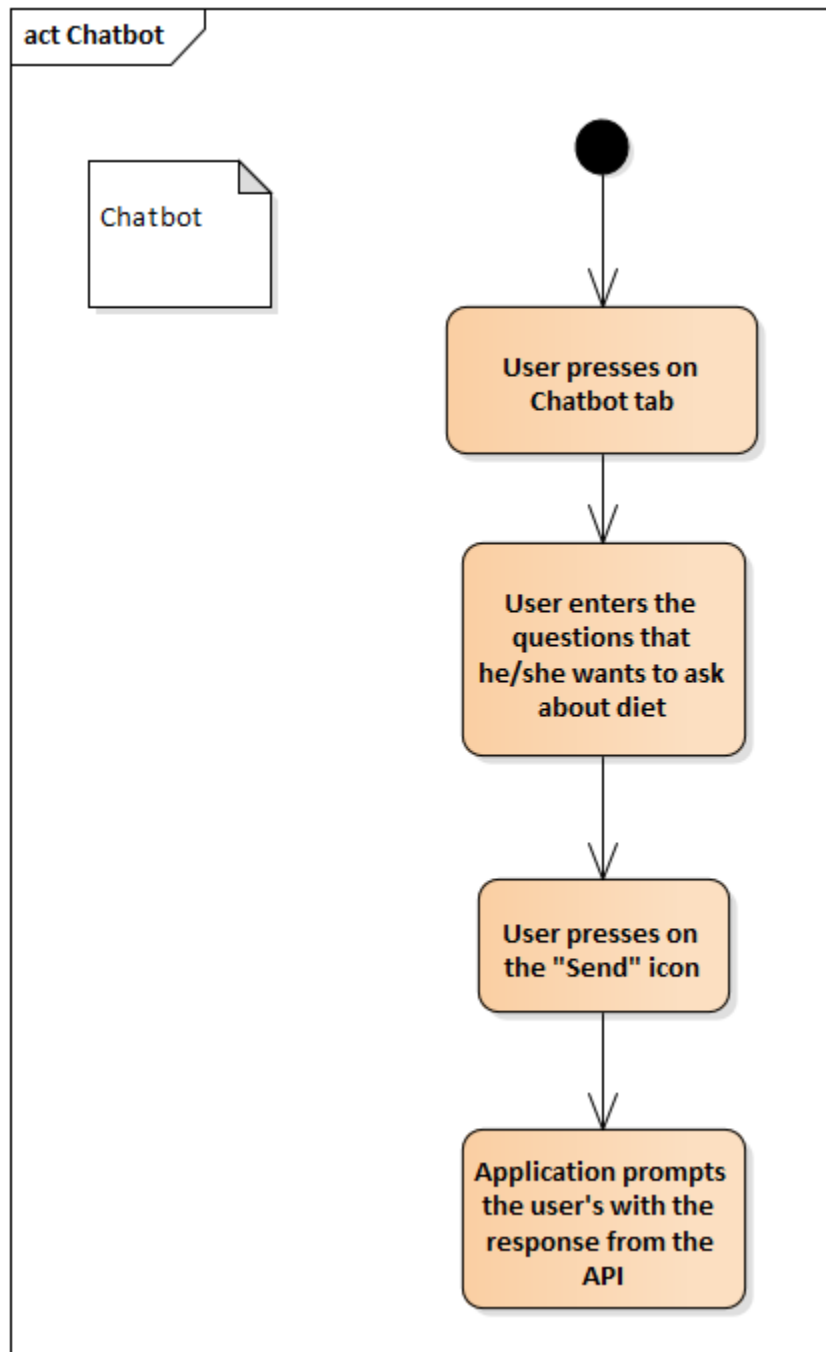


Figure 5.10 : Activity Diagram for Chatbot module

5.4 User Interface Designs

User interface design plays a pivotal role in the success of any software application as it serves as the bridge between the user and the application's functionality. A well-designed user interface enhances usability, making it intuitive and easy for users to navigate through the app. This is particularly important for this project, where users seek quick access to personalized diet plans and health-related information. When users find an app visually appealing and user-friendly, they are more likely to stay engaged, utilize the app regularly, and achieve their health goals effectively. These screenshots will serve as a testament to the importance placed on the simplicity of user interface, highlighting how it enhances usability, engagement, and trust for our users.

1. Onboarding Screen & Navigation UIs

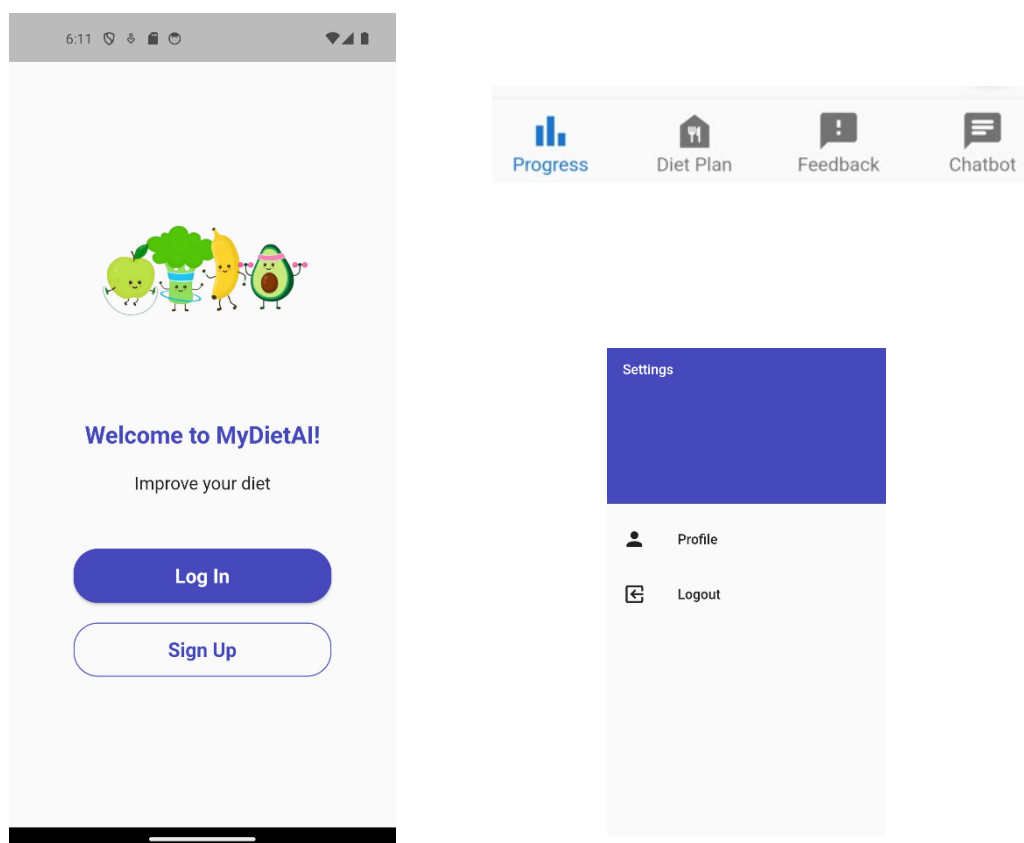
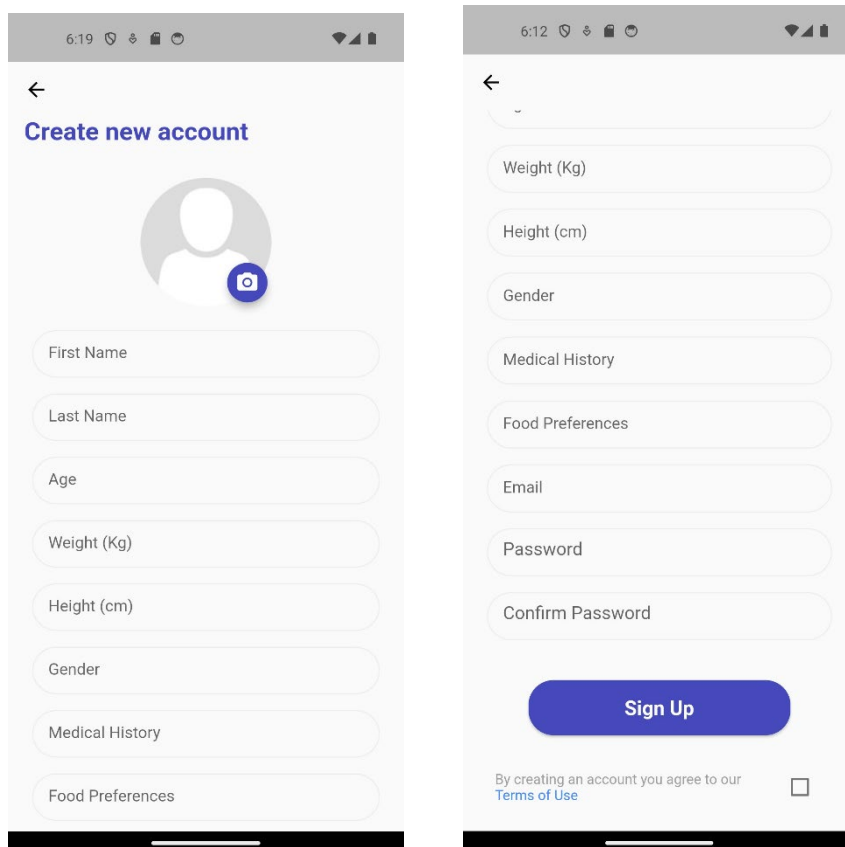


Figure 5.11: Actual Onboarding & Navigation UIs

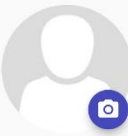
2. Sign Up Screen



6:19

←

Create new account



First Name

Last Name

Age

Weight (Kg)

Height (cm)

Gender

Medical History

Food Preferences

6:12

←

Weight (Kg)

Height (cm)

Gender

Medical History

Food Preferences

Email

Password

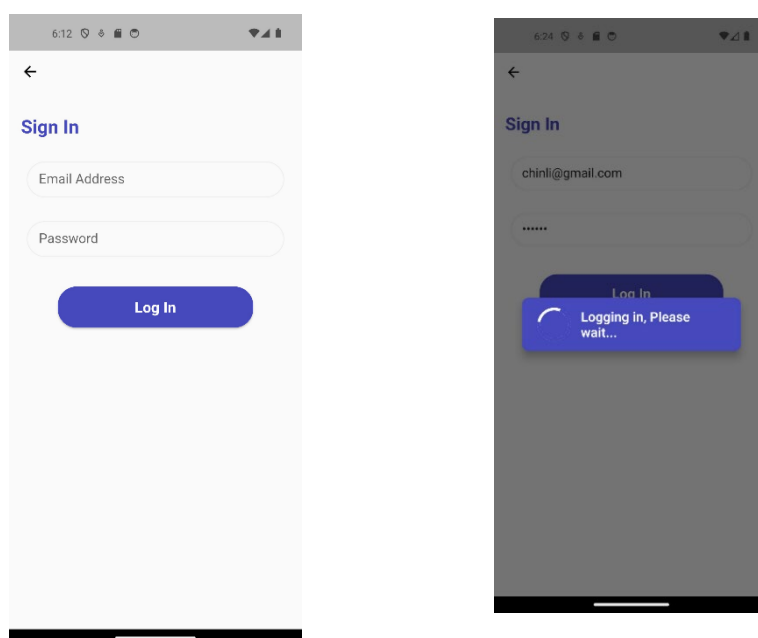
Confirm Password

Sign Up

By creating an account you agree to our [Terms of Use](#)

Figure 5.12 : Actual Sign Up Screen

3. Sign In Screen



6:12

←

Sign In

Email Address

Password

Log In

6:24

←

Sign In

chinli@gmail.com

.....

Log In

Logging in, Please wait...

Figure 5.13 : Actual Sign In screen

4. Profile Screen

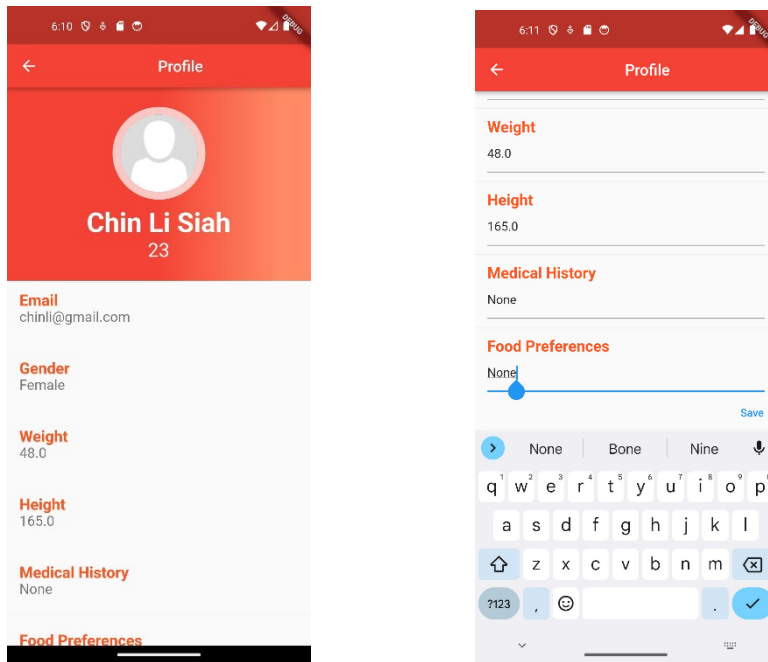


Figure 5.14 : Actual Profile Screen

5. Progress Screen

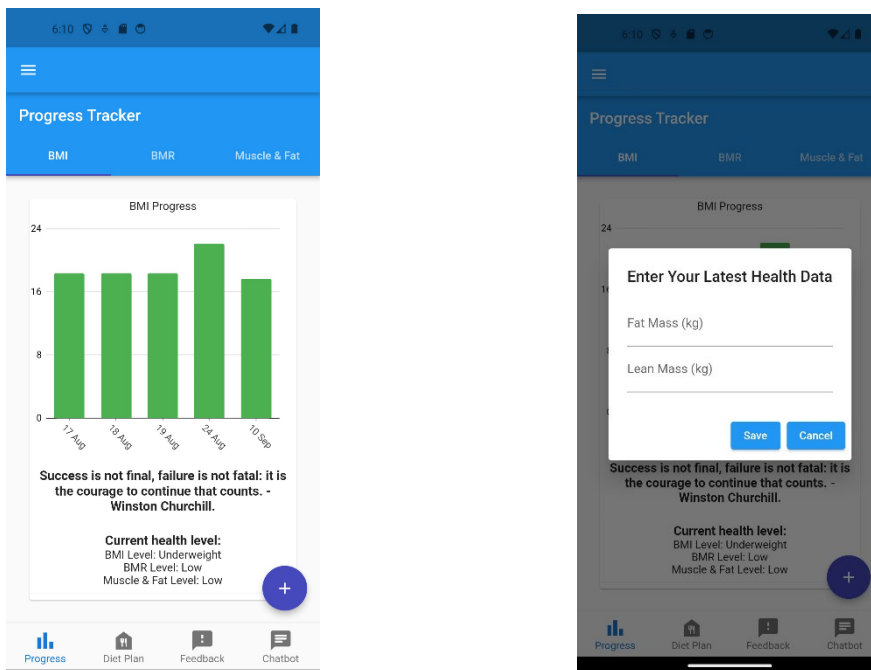


Figure 5.15 : Actual Progress Screen

6. Diet Plan Screen

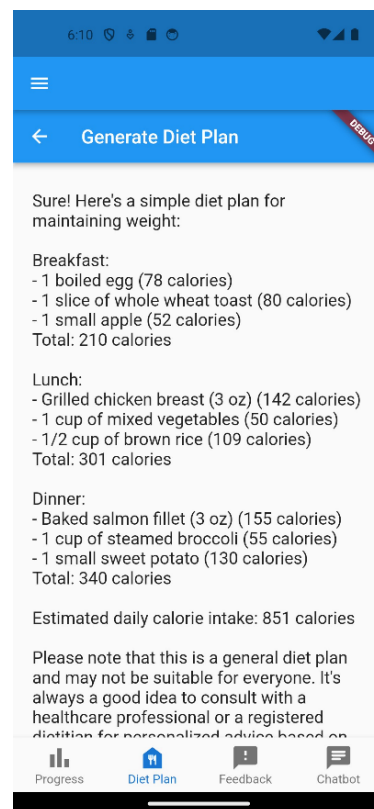
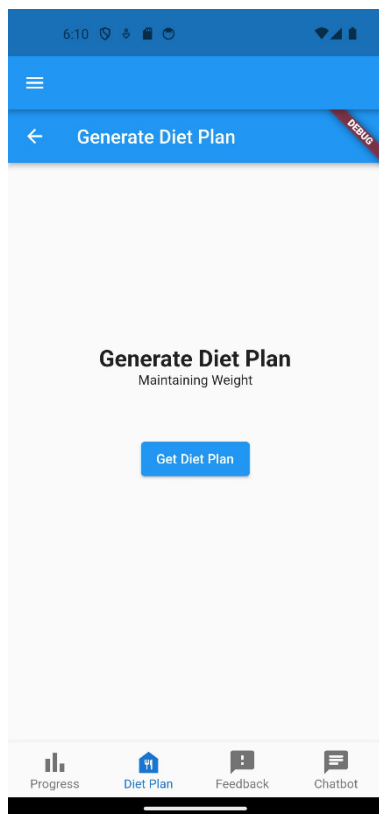
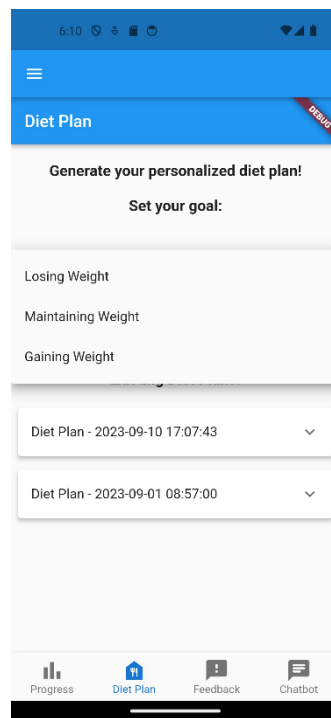
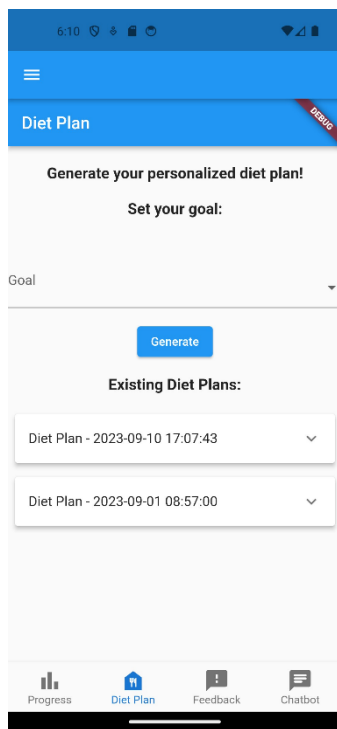
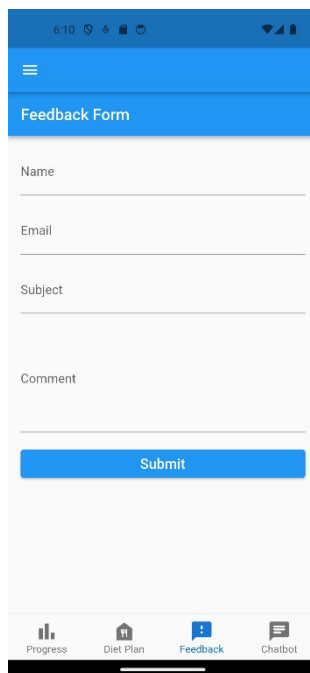


Figure 5.16: Actual Diet Plan Screen

7. Feedback Screen



The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for a feedback form. At the top, there is a blue header with a white hamburger menu icon and the text "Feedback Form". Below the header, there are four input fields: "Name", "Email", "Subject", and "Comment". Each field has a horizontal line indicating where to enter text. At the bottom of the form is a blue button with the text "Submit". The bottom navigation bar is visible, with icons for "Progress", "Diet Plan", "Feedback" (which is highlighted), and "Chatbot".

Figure 5.17 : Actual Feedback Screen

8. Chatbot Screen

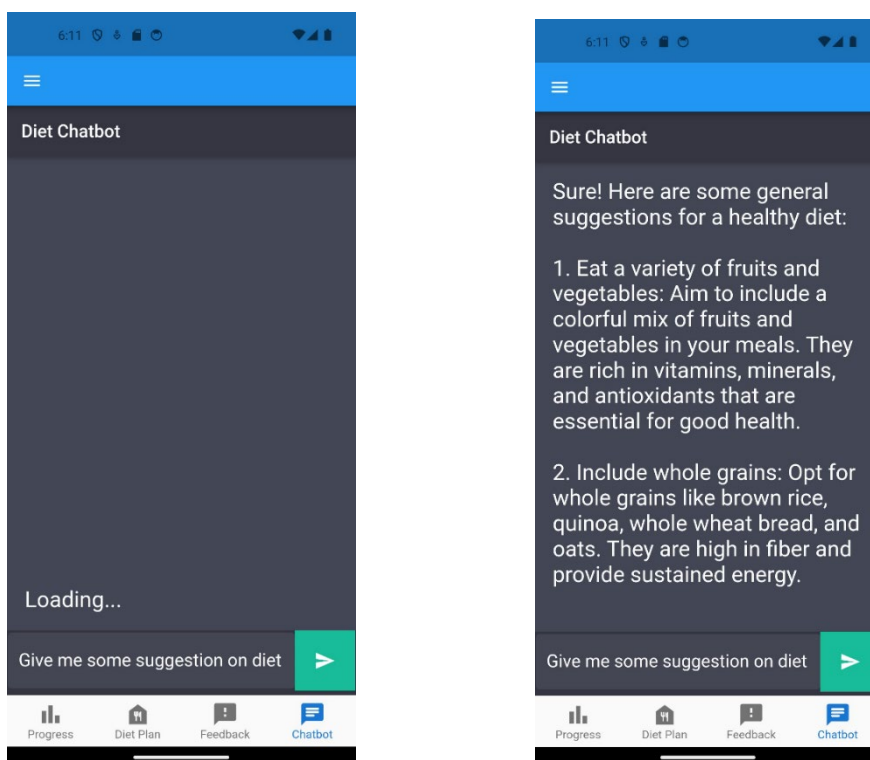


Figure 5.18 : Actual Chatbot Screen

CHAPTER 6

IMPLEMENTATION

6.1 Introduction

This chapter provides a comprehensive overview of the project's implementation process. It outlines the integration of essential components into the Flutter-based Android mobile application by using Dart as the programming language. This is because Flutter has a wide range of widgets and libraries that will ease the development on user interface.

Furthermore, the chapter presents a detailed implemented of API endpoint which is the integration of the OpenAI API into the system. These endpoints facilitate communication between the application and the OpenAI API, allowing for the retrieval of vital information related to personalized diet plans and nutrition.

6.2 Flutter Libraries

Flutter's Material Design significantly enhances the diet app's user interface, offering a versatile array of user-friendly components that elevate the overall user experience. This renowned UI library empowers developers to create visually appealing and coherent applications, seamlessly integrating them into users' daily routines. Within this project, Material Design's UI elements are harnessed to enhance both aesthetics and functionality.

Drawer and bottom navigation bar are implemented to ensure a seamless and intuitive user experience. The drawer provides easy access to essential app functions and navigation options, making it effortless for users to explore various features and sections. Additionally, the bottom navigation bar offers a visually cohesive and user-friendly way to switch between key app destinations, enhancing navigation efficiency.

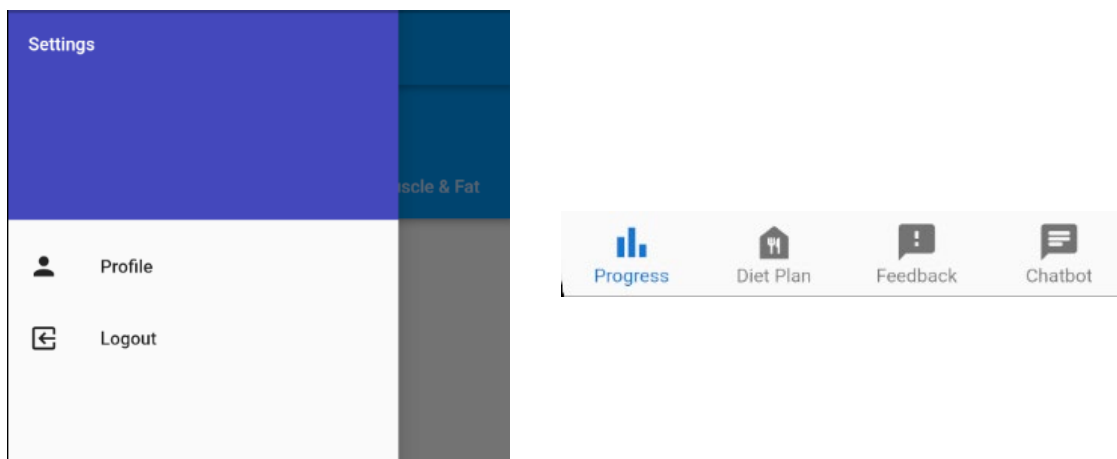


Figure 6.1 : Drawer and Bottom Navigation Bar

Text inputs feature prominently in various user interactions, facilitating activities like sign-up, sign-in, and profile updates. These inputs streamline data collection, making it effortless for users to provide essential information such as usernames and personal details. Dropdown features also used for setting user’s personal diet plan goal.

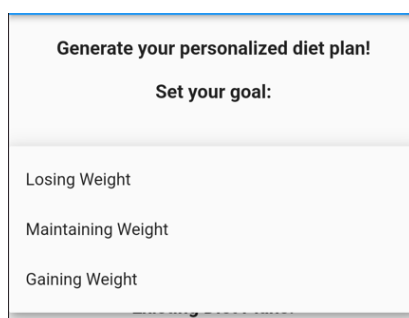
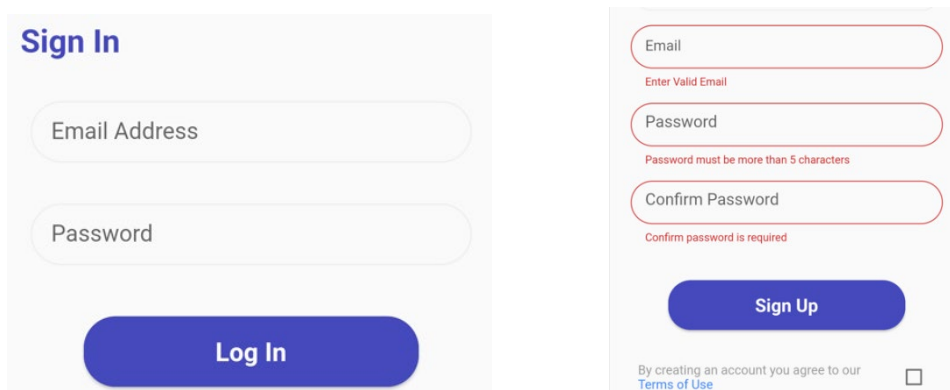


Figure 6.2 : Flutter Text Input Samples

Progress bars offer real-time feedback, visualizing ongoing tasks like during the loading of user authentication. Users can track progress, ensuring transparency and engagement.

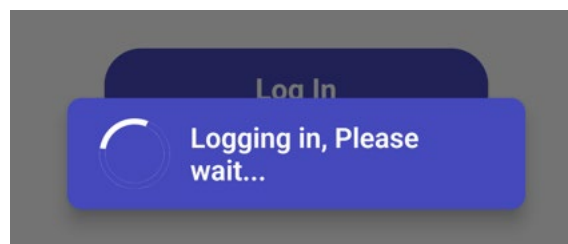


Figure 6.3 : Loading progress bar

Floating Action Buttons provide quick access to vital actions, enabling users to effortlessly add their current fat mass and lean mass for recording their health attributes. This convenience fosters active engagement.

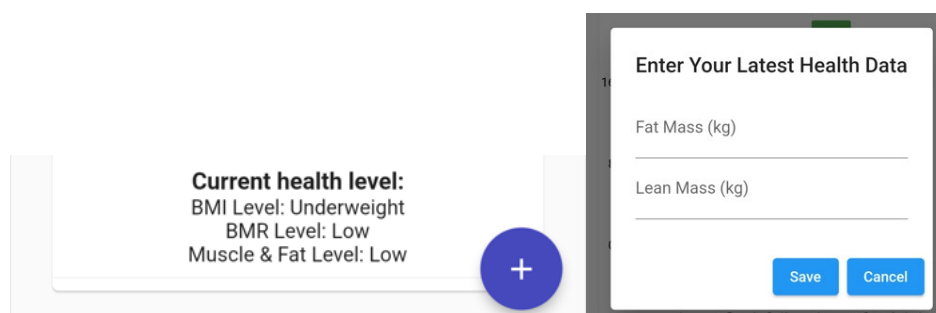


Figure 6.4 : Floating Action Button Sample

By leveraging Material Design's UI elements, the app aims to deliver a visually appealing, user-friendly, and indispensable tool for managing diets and promoting better health.

6.3 Firebase

6.3.1 Implementation of Firebase Authentication

Firebase Authentication serves as a robust tool for verifying users through various means. It not only facilitates user authentication but also offers features like email and phone number verification, as well as password reset functionality, which are readily accessible. Additionally, Firebase Authentication extends support for third-party authentication methods,

enhancing its versatility. One of its notable security features is the automatic generation of random user IDs during user registration and the secure hashing of passwords before storage in the cloud repository. Within this android mobile application, all Firebase Authentication functionalities have been encapsulated within the User Auth Service, ensuring convenient accessibility from different views. The mobile app exclusively employed email and password authentication methods for user verification. The Firebase Authentication was mainly implemented in two functions which are sign in and sign up.

6.3.2 Sign in

Users can log in using the authentication credentials that they have sign up previously. Once again, Firebase Authentication's login methods will handle the authentication process automatically by verifying the user's inputs and display appropriate error messages accordingly. If login success, users will then be redirected to the Progress screen and able to access to the other features of the application.

```
static Future<dynamic> loginWithEmailAndPassword(
    String email, String password) async {
  try {
    auth.UserCredential result = await auth.FirebaseAuth.instance
      .signInWithEmailAndPassword(email: email, password: password);
    DocumentSnapshot<Map<String, dynamic>> documentSnapshot = await firestore
      .collection(usersCollection)
      .doc(result.user?.uid ?? '')
      .get();
    User? user;
    if (documentSnapshot.exists) {
      user = User.fromJson(documentSnapshot.data() ?? {});
    }
    return user;
  } on auth.FirebaseAuthException catch (exception, s) {
    debugPrint('$exception$s');
    switch ((exception).code) {
      case 'invalid-email':
        return 'Email address is malformed.';
      case 'wrong-password':
        return 'Wrong password.';
      case 'user-not-found':
        return 'No user corresponding to the given email address.';
      case 'user-disabled':
```

Figure 6.5 : Sign in with firebase authentication code segment-1

```

on<LoginWithEmailAndPasswordEvent>((event, emit) async {
  dynamic result = await FirestoreUtils.loginWithEmailAndPassword(
    event.email, event.password);
  try {
    result = await FirestoreUtils.loginWithEmailAndPassword(
      event.email, event.password);
    print('Login Result: $result');
  } catch (e) {
    print('Unknown error occurred during authentication: $e');
    result = null; // Set the result to null in case of an unknown error
  }
  if (result != null && result is User) {
    user = result;
    emit(AuthenticationState.authenticated(user!));
  } else if (result != null && result is String) {
    emit(AuthenticationState.unauthenticated(message: result));
  } else {
    emit(const AuthenticationState.unauthenticated(
      message: 'Login failed!!!, Please try again.'));
  }
});

```

Figure 6.6 : Sign in with firebase authentication code segment-2

6.3.3 Sign Up

If the user does not have an account, user is required to register for a new account. Users required to click on “Sign Up” button in the onboarding screen. Then, users will be redirected to an interface which prompts to enter the email address, password, age, weight, height, gender, medical history and food preferences. Once all the required information is filled correctly user clicks on the “Sign Up” button where the Firebase Authentication’s sign-up function will be called to handle to user sign up process. Alert will be display to user indicating the account created successfully whereby if the account credential is invalid then error message will be prompted.

```

static Future<String?> createNewUser(User user) async => await firestore
    .collection(usersCollection)
    .doc(user.userID)
    .set(user.toJson())
    .then((value) => null, onError: (e) => e);

static signUpWithEmailAndPassword(
    {required String emailAddress,
    required String password,
    Uint8List? imageData,
    firstName = 'Anonymous',
    lastName = 'User',
    String? age,
    String? weight,
    String? height,
    String? gender,
    String? medicalHistory,
    String? foodPreferences}) async {
    try {
        auth.UserCredential result = await auth.FirebaseAuth.instance
            .createUserWithEmailAndPassword(
                email: emailAddress, password: password);
    }
}

```

Figure 6.7 : Sign up with firebase authentication code segment-1

```

on<SignUpWithEmailAndPasswordEvent>((event, emit) async {
    dynamic result = await FirestoreUtils.signUpWithEmailAndPassword(
        emailAddress: event.emailAddress,
        password: event.password,
        imageData: event.imageData,
        firstName: event.firstName,
        lastName: event.lastName,
        age: event.age,
        weight: event.weight,
        height: event.height,
        gender: event.gender,
        medicalHistory: event.medicalHistory,
        foodPreferences: event.foodPreferences);
    if (result != null && result is User) {
        user = result;
        emit(AuthenticationState.authenticated(user!));
    } else if (result != null && result is String) {
        emit(AuthenticationState.unauthenticated(message: result));
    } else {
        emit(const AuthenticationState.unauthenticated(
            message: 'Couldn\'t sign up'));
    }
}

```

Figure 6.8 : Sign up with firebase authentication code segment-2

6.3.4 Implementation of Firebase Firestore Database

The incorporation of Firebase Firestore Database into the app's architecture has played a crucial role in providing users with a dynamic and responsive experience. This cloud-based NoSQL database seamlessly stores and retrieves data, ensuring that user's profile information, diet plan, progress tracking records and feedbacks are securely managed and readily accessible.

Firebase Firestore's real-time data synchronization is fundamental to the app's functionality. As users interact with the app, any updates or changes they make are instantaneously reflected, creating a dynamic and responsive environment. For example, when users record their health data, this data is immediately stored in the cloud, ensuring that they always have access to the most up-to-date information. Furthermore, Firebase Firestore's robust security features ensure that sensitive information is protected from unauthorized access, instilling trust and confidence in our users.

In conclusion, the integration of Firebase Firestore Database has significantly enhanced the functionality and reliability of the app. It empowers the app to offer real-time updates, secure data management, and a seamless user experience, ultimately contributing to the success and user satisfaction of this diet application.

6.3.4.1 Profile

When the authenticated user is navigated to the profile screen, the screen will retrieve the current user's profile information on the interface. If the user wanted to modify the profile information, the user presses on the edit icon button and fill in the updated latest information of the user. Once the user finished updating the information, user presses on the save button. This will trigger the `_saveChanges()` function in order to store the latest user profile information into Firestore Database.

```

Future<void> _saveChanges() async {
  try {
    // Query for the document based on the email field
    QuerySnapshot querySnapshot = await FirebaseFirestore.instance
      .collection('users')
      .where('email', isEqualTo: _editedUser.email)
      .get();

    if (querySnapshot.docs.isNotEmpty) {
      // Get the first document found (you might want to add more checks here)
      DocumentSnapshot documentSnapshot = querySnapshot.docs.first;

      // Update the document with the new data
      await documentSnapshot.reference.update({
        'gender': _editedUser.gender,
        'weight': _editedUser.weight,
        'height': _editedUser.height,
        'medicalHistory': _editedUser.medicalHistory,
        'foodPreferences': _editedUser.foodPreferences,
      });
    }
  }
}

```

Figure 6.9 : Profile with firestore database code segment

6.3.4.2 Progress

Once user is authenticated, progress screen will be the first to be navigated. There are a total of 3 progress tabs which are BMI, BMR and Fat & Muscle percentage record. The calculation formula is implemented in the progress tracker function as below in order to keep track of user's health status.

```

double calculateBMI(double heightInCM, double weightInKG) {
  // BMI Formula: weight (kg) / (height (m))^2
  double heightInM = heightInCM / 100.0;
  double bmi = weightInKG / (heightInM * heightInM);
  return bmi;
}

double calculateBMR(double weightInKG, double heightInCM, int age, String gender) {
  if (gender == 'Male') {
    // BMR Formula for males: 10 * weight (kg) + 6.25 * height (cm) - 5 * age + 5
    return 10 * weightInKG + 6.25 * heightInCM - 5 * age + 5;
  } else {
    // BMR Formula for females: 10 * weight (kg) + 6.25 * height (cm) - 5 * age - 161
    return 10 * weightInKG + 6.25 * heightInCM - 5 * age - 161;
  }
}

double calculateFatPercentage(double weightInKG, double fatMass) {
  return (fatMass / weightInKG) * 100;
}

double calculateMuscleMass(double weightInKG, double fatMass, double leanMass) {
  return weightInKG - fatMass - leanMass;
}

```

Figure 6.10: Progress with firestore database code segment-1

The application will call the function `getUserProgressStream()` once user is navigated to progress screen to retrieve the current user's progress data by date in descending order from the Firestore Database.

```

Stream<List<UserProgress>> getUserProgressStream(String dataType) {
    return FirebaseFirestore.instance
        .collection('userProgress')
        .where('email', isEqualTo: widget.user.email)
        .orderBy('date')
        .snapshots()
        .map((snapshot) => snapshot.docs.map((doc) => UserProgress(
            date: doc['date'].toDate(),
            bmi: doc['bmi'],
            bmr: doc['bmr'],
            muscleMass: doc['muscleMass'],
            fatPercentage: doc['fatPercentage'],
            email: doc['email'],
        )).toList());
}

```

Figure 6.11 : Progress with firestore database code segment-2

If the user wants to record a new progress data, the user presses on the floating ‘Add’ button and fills in the health information accordingly. Then the system will calculate the user’s BMI, BMR, muscle mass and fat percentage by using the calculation function as stated above. Next, the system will store the calculated values in separated variables and the variables will be added to **userProgress** collection in Firestore Database as the **recordUserProgress()** function is called.

```

Future<void> recordUserProgress(double muscleMass, double fatPercentage) async {
    double bmi = calculateBMI(widget.user.height, widget.user.weight);
    double bmr = calculateBMR(widget.user.weight, widget.user.height, widget.user.age, widget.user.gender);

    DateTime currentDate = DateTime.now();

    UserProgress progress = UserProgress(
        date: currentDate,
        bmi: bmi,
        bmr: bmr,
        muscleMass: muscleMass,
        fatPercentage: fatPercentage,
        email: widget.user.email,
    );

    await FirebaseFirestore.instance.collection('userProgress').add({
        'date': progress.date,
        'bmi': progress.bmi,
        'bmr': progress.bmr,
        'muscleMass': progress.muscleMass,
        'fatPercentage': progress.fatPercentage,
        'email': progress.email,
    });
}

```

Figure 6.12: Progress with firestore database code segment-3

6.3.4.3 Generate Diet Plan

When the user navigates to the view diet plan screen, the function `loadDietPlans()` will be invoked. The existing diet plans of the current user will be retrieved from the `dietPlan` collection in Firestore Database. The interface will then prompt the retrieved existing diet plan to the user.

```
// Function to load the user's diet plans from Firestore
void loadDietPlans() {
  FirebaseFirestore.instance
    .collection('dietPlan')
    .where('userEmail', isEqualTo: widget.user.email)
    .orderBy('timestamp', descending: true)
    .get()
    .then((QuerySnapshot querySnapshot) {
      setState(() {
        dietPlans = querySnapshot.docs;
      });
    }).catchError((error) {
      print('Error loading diet plans: $error');
    });
}
```

Figure 6.13: Generate diet plan with firestore database code segment-1

If the user wants to delete the existing current diet plan, the user may press on the specific diet plan to view and look up for delete icon button. Once user presses on the delete icon button, the delete diet plan function will be

```
// Delete the diet plan from Firestore
FirebaseFirestore.instance
  .collection('dietPlan')
  .doc(dietPlan.id)
  .delete()
  .then((value) {
    // Reload the diet plans
    loadDietPlans();
    ScaffoldMessenger.of(context).showSnackBar(
      const SnackBar(
        content: Text('Diet plan deleted.'),
      ), // SnackBar
    );
  }).catchError((error) {
    print('Error deleting diet plan: $error');
    ScaffoldMessenger.of(context).showSnackBar(
      const SnackBar(
        content: Text('Error deleting diet plan.'),
      ), // SnackBar
    );
  });
```

Figure 6.14: Generate diet plan with firestore database code segment-2

invoked. As a result, the chosen diet plan will be deleted from the system and in Firestore Database as well.

If the user wants to generate a new diet plan, the user has to choose their goal preferences then press on the ‘Generate’ button. The user will then be navigated to the generate diet plan screen. Next, the user will press the ‘Get Diet Plan’ button in order for the system to generate a latest diet plan for the user based on the user latest progress data which is retrieved by the function `getUserLatestProgressStream()`. Once the diet plan is generated, the function `storeResponseInFirestore()` will be invoked and the latest diet plan generated will be stored in `dietPlan` collection in Firestore Database.

```
Stream<UserProgress?> getUserLatestProgressStream(String email) {
    return FirebaseFirestore.instance
        .collection('userProgress')
        .where('email', isEqualTo: email)
        .orderBy('date', descending: true)
        .limit(1)
        .snapshots()
        .map((snapshot) {
            if (snapshot.docs.isNotEmpty) {
                final doc = snapshot.docs[0];
                return UserProgress(
                    date: doc['date'].toDate(),
                    bmi: doc['bmi'],
                    bmr: doc['bmr'],
                    muscleMass: doc['muscleMass'],
                    fatPercentage: doc['fatPercentage'],
                    email: doc['email'],
                );
            } else {
                return null; // Return null if no progress found
            }
        });
}
```

```
Future<void> storeResponseInFirestore(String userEmail, String response) async {
    try {
        await FirebaseFirestore.instance.collection('dietPlan').add({
            'userEmail': userEmail,
            'response': response,
            'timestamp': FieldValue.serverTimestamp(),
        });
        debugPrint('Response stored in Firestore');
    } catch (e) {
        debugPrint('Error storing response in Firestore: $e');
    }
}
```

Figure 6.15: Store diet plan in firestore database code segment

6.3.4.4 Feedback

When user is navigated to the feedback screen, the user is required to fill in the feedback form. Once the user filled the feedback form, the user will press on submit button. This will invoke the `_submitFeedback()` function and will add the feedback information to the feedback collection in the Firestore Database.

```
Future<void> _submitFeedback() async {
  if (_formKey.currentState!.validate()) {
    setState(() {
      _isSubmitting = true;
    });

    try {
      final user = FirebaseAuth.instance.currentUser;
      if (user != null) {
        final feedbackData = {
          'name': _nameController.text,
          'email': _emailController.text,
          'subject': _subjectController.text,
          'comment': _commentController.text,
        };

        final emailExists = await _checkEmailExists(_emailController.text);
        if (emailExists) {
          _showErrorSnackBar('You have already submitted a form with this email.');
```

Figure 6.16: Feedback in firestore database code segment

6.4 Implementation of OpenAI API

The implementation of the OpenAI API plays a pivotal role in our project. This integration empowers the diet app to provide intelligent and context-aware responses to user inquiries and prompts. Through the utilization of the OpenAI API, the app gains access to state-of-the-art language models, particularly the gpt-3.5-turbo model. This model serves as the AI diet consultant, offering valuable insights and information related to diet. The integration involves constructing and sending API requests, including user-generated prompts and system messages, to the OpenAI service. The responses received from the API are then processed and presented to the user, enhancing the app's capabilities in addressing user queries and assisting with dietary concerns. To facilitate the integration of the Flutter mobile application with the OpenAI API, a subscription fee must be remitted, and the generated API key should be stored in a .env file, which is then declared in the pubspec.yaml's flutter assets.

API keys

Your secret API keys are listed below. Please note that we do not display your secret API keys again after you generate them.

Do not share your API key with others, or expose it in the browser or other client-side code. In order to protect the security of your account, OpenAI may also automatically disable any API key that we've found has leaked publicly.

NAME	KEY	CREATED	LAST USED	
DietAI	sk-...feoC	Jul 23, 2023	Sep 12, 2023	 

[+ Create new secret key](#)

Figure 6.17: Example of OpenAI API key

6.4.1 Generate diet plan

The diet plan generation function works by setting up the prompt content at the backend code so that the system does not need to prompt any extra or additional input from user to make sure the diet plan generation is consistent. The diet plan generation does take user's selected goal preferences, physical attributes, food preferences, medical conditions and latest health progress data into consideration as the information is prompted to the OpenAI API which is stored in the `promptContent`.

```
Future<void> completionFun() async { // Mark the method as async
  setState(() => responseTxt = 'Loading...');
  final userProgress = await getUserLatestProgressStream(widget.user.email).first;
  final promptContent = 'Please help create a $selectedGoal diet plan that consists of breakfast, lunch, and dinner only.';
  promptController.text = promptContent;
```

Figure 6.18: Generate diet plan's OpenAI implementation -1

Besides, system message is also set as 'Generate a diet plan for goal: \$selectedGoal', so that the response behaviour will be based more specifically on the goal related information.

```
final response = await http.post(
  Uri.parse('https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions'),
  headers: {
    'Content-Type': 'application/json',
    'Authorization': 'Bearer ${dotenv.env['token']}',
  },
  body: jsonEncode(
    {
      "model": "gpt-3.5-turbo",
      "messages": [
        {
          "role": "system",
          "content": "Generate a diet plan for goal: $selectedGoal",
        },
        {
          "role": "user",
          "content": promptController.text,
        },
      ],
      "max_tokens": 500,
      "temperature": 0,
      "top_p": 1,
    },
  ),
```

Figure 6.19: Generate diet plan's OpenAI implementation -2

6.4.2 Chatbot

The chatbot feature works by setting up the OpenAI API by setting up the messages content into “You are helpful diet consultant” so that the response given will be based on a diet consultant perspective to prevent off topic in response. For this feature, the application will prompt for user’s input for a question related to diet topic. The question asked can be in a wide range and does not have any limitations on it but the response will sticks around with diet or health related topic.

```
final response = await http.post(
  Uri.parse('https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions'),
  headers: {
    'Content-Type': 'application/json',
    'Authorization': 'Bearer ${dotenv.env['token']}',
  },
  body: jsonEncode(
    {
      "model": "gpt-3.5-turbo", // Use the gpt-3.5-turbo model
      "messages": [
        {
          "role": "system",
          "content": "You are a helpful diet consultant.", // Add a system message to set the behavior
        },
        {
          "role": "user",
          "content": promptController.text, // Use the user's input as the prompt
        }
      ],
      "max_tokens": 500,
      "temperature": 0,
      "top_p": 1,
    }
  ),
);
```

Figure 6.20: Chatbot’s OpenAI implementation

6.5 Summary

This chapter discussed the implementation of the actual prototype using Flutter and Dart. It discusses the integration of Flutter's Material Design for improved user interface, Firebase for user authentication, and Firestore Database for secure data management. Additionally, the chapter covers the implementation of the OpenAI API, enabling the app to provide personalized diet plans and context-aware responses through an AI chatbot. These technical aspects enhance the app's functionality, delivering a user-friendly and dynamic diet management solution.

CHAPTER 7

TESTING AND EVALUATION

7.1 Introduction

This chapter provides an overview of the system's test processes and review of the testing outcomes. Unit and user acceptance testing were incorporated in the testing processes for this project. To assess the alignment between the test cases, use cases, and functional requirements detailed in Chapter 4, a traceability matrix was generated. This matrix serves as a tool for tracking how well the test cases correspond to the specified use cases and functional requirements.

7.2 Traceability between Use Cases, Functional Requirements and Test Cases

For software developers, conducting comprehensive testing is an integral aspect of ensuring the system's functionality and reliability. Testing methodologies encompass various techniques and serve distinct purposes, such as unit testing, which assesses the performance of specific components within the system. However, as the number of test cases grows, developers may encounter challenges in managing and potentially generating redundant or superfluous test cases, which can be detrimental to the system's quality. To assist readers in gaining a broad comprehension of the objectives of individual test cases, this chapter incorporates straightforward traceability matrices. These matrices establish clear connections between test cases, relevant functional specifications, and use cases, enabling a precise understanding of each test case's purpose and alignment with the project's goals.

7.2.1 Use Case Table

Table 7.1 Use Cases

Use Case ID	Use Case Name
UC001	Login Account
UC002	Register Account
UC003	Modify Profile
UC004	Record Progress
UC005	View Progress
UC006	Generate Diet Plan
UC007	View Diet Plan
UC008	Use Chatbot
UC009	Receive feedback

7.2.2 Functional Requirement Table

Table 7.2: Functional Requirements

Functional Requirement ID	Functional Requirement Statement	Related Use Case ID	Related Test Case ID
FR001	The application shall be able to allow user to register and create a user profile by providing basic information.	UC002	UTC006- UTC012
FR002	The application shall allow user to modify their user profiles.	UC003	UTC014- UTC016
FR003	The application shall be able to generate a personalized diet plan based on user's goals and food preferences.	UC006, UC007	UTC023- UTC024
FR004	The application shall provide basic information about the foods included in the diet plan such as calorie value.	UC006, UC007	UTC021- UTC022

FR005	The application shall allow users to record their progress toward their goals by tracking their health attributes.	UC004	UTC019- UTC020
FR006	The application shall provide visual representations of progress, such as graphs.	UC005	UTC017- UTC018
FR007	The application shall be able to allow users to log their lean mass, fat mass, height and weight manually in daily basis.	UC004	UTC019- UTC020
FR008	The application shall have a chatbot feature that allows users to ask questions about diet related problems and receive personalized responses.	UC008	UTC027- UTC028
FR009	The application shall be able to receive feedback from user to further improvise on the application.	UC009	UTC025- UTC026

7.3 Unit Testing

A technique used to ensure that each individual software component achieves the features and functionalities specified by its pre-defined set of criteria is known as unit testing. The complete software system was divided into separate units, with appropriate test cases linked to each of the aforementioned components. As a result, software system faults and defects can be found similarly to a bottom-to-top strategy. As a result, it takes less time to debug problems in the code base, which in turn speeds up development because the code base can be reduced to the source code of a single unit.

Table 7.3: Unit testing test cases

Test Case ID	Test Case Name	Test Case Description	Related Use Case	Status
UTC001	Test login with correct	Examine whether the system will show login	Login Account	Pass

	credential	success		
UTC002	Test login with correct email but invalid password	Examine whether the system will show error message	Login Account	Pass
UTC003	Test login with invalid email	Examine whether the system will show error message	Login Account	Pass
UTC004	Test login with an empty email	Examine whether the system will show error message	Login Account	Pass
UTC005	Test login with an empty password	Examine whether the system will show error message	Login Account	Pass
UTC006	Test sign up with valid information	Examine whether the system will show sign up success	Register Account	Pass
UTC007	Test sign up with all empty fields	Examine whether the system will show error message	Register Account	Pass
UTC008	Test sign up with valid information but with empty first name and last name	Examine whether the system will show error message	Register Account	Pass
UTC009	Test sign up with valid information but with empty email.	Examine whether the system will show error message	Register Account	Pass
UTC010	Test sign up with valid information but with invalid email.	Examine whether the system will show error message	Register Account	Pass

UTC011	Test sign up with valid information but with empty password	Examine whether the system will show error message	Register Account	Pass
UTC012	Test sign up with valid information but with empty confirm password	Examine whether the system will show error message	Register Account	Pass
UTC013	Test user signs out current user	Examine whether the system will end the current user's session	-	Pass
UTC014	Test get current user's profile information	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's profile information	Modify Profile	Pass
UTC015	Test modify user's profile	Examine whether the system able to update user's profile information	Modify Profile	Pass
UTC016	Test modify user's profile using invalid input	Examine whether the system able to show error message	Modify Profile	Fail
UTC017	Test get user progress information	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's progress information	View Progress	Pass
UTC018	Test get user progress information if no progress information found.	Examine whether the system able to show error message	View Progress	Pass

UTC019	Test add user progress	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's latest progress information	Record Progress	Pass
UTC020	Test add user progress with invalid value	Examine whether the system able to show error message.	Record Progress	Pass
UTC021	Test view specific existing diet plan	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's specific existing diet plan information.	View diet plan	Pass
UTC022	Test delete specific existing diet plan	Examine whether the system able to delete the chosen existing diet plan.	View diet plan	Pass
UTC023	Test generate diet plan	Examine whether the system able to prompt the diet plan information and update the latest diet plan to the database	Generate diet plan	Pass
UTC024	Test generate diet plan without an existing progress data	Examine whether the system able to show message.	Generate diet plan	Pass
UTC025	Test record feedback	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's feedback	Receive feedback	Pass
UTC026	Test record feedback with blank input	Examine whether the system able to show message.	Receive feedback	Pass

UTC027	Test diet chatbot with a valid question	Examine whether the system able to prompt response according to user input	Use chatbot	Pass
UTC028	Test diet chatbot with a blank input	Examine whether the system able to show error message.	Use chatbot	Pass

7.3.1 Unit Test Results

The unit test results can be found in Appendix B.

7.4 Integration Testing

Integration tests look at interoperability between components to make sure modules can interact and communicate with one another correctly. Manual integration testing is done to ensure sure all of the shown data is appropriate and accurate.

7.4.1 Test Cases Table of Integration Testing

Table 7.4: Integration Testing test cases

Test Case ID	Test Case Name	Test Case Description	Status
ITC001	Test login screen	Examine whether the user can navigate to login page	Pass
ITC002	Test progress screen if user is authenticated.	Examine whether the user can navigate to progress page if user is authenticated.	Pass
ITC003	Test progress screen if user is not authenticated.	Examine whether the user is redirect back to login page if the user is not authenticated.	Pass
ITC004	Test log out	Examine whether the user is removed from session and	Pass

		redirect to the onboarding screen.	
ITC005	Test sign up screen	Examine whether user can navigate to sign up screen.	Pass
ITC006	Test submit sign up	Examine whether user can navigate to user's progress screen	Pass
ITC007	Test user profile screen	Examine whether the user can navigate to user profile screen after the user is authenticated	Pass
ITC008	Test update profile information	Examine whether the new information is updated to the backend	Pass
ITC009	Test view diet plan screen	Examine whether the user can navigate to view diet plan screen after the user is authenticated.	Pass
ITC010	Test generate diet plan screen	Examine whether the user can navigate to generate diet plan screen after pressing on "Generate" button	Pass
ITC011	Test add diet plan	Examine whether the diet plan information is added to database	Pass
ITC012	Test delete diet plan	Examine whether the diet plan information is deleted from database	Pass
ITC013	Test add progress	Examine whether the add progress information is added to the backend	Pass
ITC014	Test feedback screen	Examine whether user can navigate to feedback screen after user is authenticated	Pass

ITC015	Test add feedback	Examine whether the feedback information is added to the backend	Pass
ITC016	Test chatbot screen	Examine whether user can navigate to chatbot after the user is authenticated	Pass

7.4.2 Integration Testing Result

The integration test results can be found in Appendix C.

7.5 User Acceptance Test

User acceptance testing (UAT) distinguishes itself from previous tests, such as integration testing and unit testing. Unlike these tests that primarily focus on bug discovery and system functionality, UAT centers on evaluating user satisfaction and the system's effectiveness in addressing specific issues. The absence of bugs in a system doesn't automatically guarantee success in UAT because what users prioritize is the system's capability to solve their problems. The primary objective of developing this application is to provide users with a comprehensive tool for managing their dietary habits and achieving their fitness goals. Additionally, this app aims to empower users to make healthier food choices, monitor their progress, and ultimately improve their overall well-being.

7.5.1 User Acceptance Test Plan

The user acceptance test was planned to be conducted with a wide range of users, as this application aims to cater to a diverse user base. Our goal was to ensure that users from all backgrounds and with varying needs could effectively utilize and benefit from the application. To achieve this, we designed multiple surveys to gather feedback from different user groups, accommodating the unique expectations and requirements of each category of users among UTAR Sungai Long Campus. As part of this project, five designated target users were invited to participate in the User Acceptance Testing (UAT) phase, following the provided test form located in Appendix D. Throughout the UAT phase, the

developer closely supervised the testing procedures and offered guidance to participants should they encounter any inquiries or concerns.

7.5.2 User Acceptance Test Cases

Table 7.5 User Acceptance Test Cases

Test Case ID	Test Case Name	Test Case Description	Status
UAT001	Test login with correct credential	Examine whether the system will show login success	Pass
UAT002	Test login with invalid credential	Examine whether the system will show error message	Pass
UAT003	Test sign up with valid information	Examine whether the system will show sign up success	Pass
UAT004	Test sign up with invalid input	Examine whether the system will show error message	Pass
UAT005	Test user signs out current user	Examine whether the system will end the current user's session	Pass
UAT006	Test get current user's profile information	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's profile information	Pass
UAT007	Test modify user's profile	Examine whether the system able to update user's profile information	Pass
UAT008	Test modify user's profile using invalid input	Examine whether the system able to show error message	Pass
UAT009	Test get user progress information	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's progress information	Pass
UAT010	Test get user progress information if no progress information found.	Examine whether the system able to show error message	Pass

UAT011	Test add user progress	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's latest progress information	Pass
UAT012	Test add user progress with invalid value	Examine whether the system able to show error message.	Pass
UAT013	Test view specific existing diet plan	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's specific existing diet plan information.	Pass
UAT014	Test delete specific existing diet plan	Examine whether the system able to delete the chosen existing diet plan.	Pass
UAT015	Test generate diet plan	Examine whether the system able to prompt the diet plan information and update the latest diet plan to the database	Pass
UAT016	Test generate diet plan without an existing progress data	Examine whether the system able to show message.	Pass
UAT017	Test record feedback	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's feedback	Pass
UAT018	Test record feedback with blank input	Examine whether the system able to show message.	Pass
UAT019	Test diet chatbot with a valid question	Examine whether the system able to prompt response according to user input	Pass
UAT020	Test diet chatbot with a blank input	Examine whether the system able to show error message.	Pass

7.5.3 User Acceptance Test Result

The user acceptance test results can be found in Appendix D.

7.5.4 User Acceptance Test Result Summary

The user acceptance test for the Android mobile application took place among students at the UTAR Sungai Long Campus. 15 participants were involved in this assessment, and there was a constraint on the time available to engage with

the testers. Following the test, 8 questions were used in a feedback form to gather input from the testers. The number of participants and age group, and the average rating of each question are listed in the table below. The feedback form results can be found in Appendix E.

Table 7.6: UAT participants age group

Age Group	Number of participants
18-24	4
25-34	9
35-44	2

Table 7.7: UAT feedback result summary

No	Question	Average Rating (1-5)
Q1	What features of this application do you find most valuable? (Select all that apply)	5 (AI Diet Chatbot)
Q2	I think that I would like to use this application to keep a good diet.	4.9
Q3	I found the application unnecessarily complicated.	3.6
Q4	The application was easy to use.	4.7
Q5	I think that there are too many inconsistencies in this application.	2.2
Q6	How would you rate your overall satisfaction with this application?	4.7
Q7	How likely are you to recommend this application to a friend or colleague?	4.67
Q8	I am looking forward for using this application further	4.7

7.6 Summary

This chapter reveals the outcomes of various tests. Positive results from unit tests, integration tests, and user acceptance tests indicate that the application is

fully functional and ready for use. Notably, the user acceptance test yielded positive average results, affirming the application's usability and effectiveness.

CHAPTER 8

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

8.1 Introduction

As we reach the culmination of this comprehensive journey through the development of the Android mobile application, it is essential to reflect on the milestones achieved and the insights gained along the way. This concluding chapter encapsulates the essence of the project, which is dedicated to addressing critical issues in modern lifestyles, such as imbalanced diets, increasing indiscipline, and mental health concerns.

Throughout this endeavor, the objectives were outlined, and a comprehensive solution was proposed to leverage technology to promote healthier living. The implementation process followed a meticulous methodology, combining research and development approaches. A toolkit of essential tools and software was harnessed, from Axure RP for prototyping to Firebase for robust data management. The project's journey was meticulously planned, as reflected in the Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) and the Gantt Chart, which guided through each phase, from planning to design, development, and testing.

The initial project specification delved into collecting valuable data about the target audience's demographics, dietary habits, and their expectations from the application. This guided the formulation of both functional and non-functional requirements, culminating in detailed system use cases and interface flow diagrams.

The design phase brought the application to life with well-structured architecture, data models, and user interfaces. A robust system database was envisioned, enriched by a detailed data dictionary, and user interactions were visualized through activity diagrams. Next, the implementation stage saw the integration of Flutter libraries, Firebase authentication, and Firestore database

management. These elements form the backbone of the application's functionality, ensuring secure sign-in processes, seamless data storage, and retrieval.

The crowning achievement of the project was the integration of the OpenAI API, enabling the application to offer intelligent dietary guidance and responsive chatbot interactions. Testing and evaluation provided the assurance of quality, with positive results from unit testing, integration testing, and user acceptance testing, affirming the application's reliability and functionality.

In summary, this journey through the project has been a testament to the power of technology in addressing contemporary health challenges. The application aspires to make a positive impact on the lives of its users, promoting balanced diets, discipline, and mental well-being. As we conclude, we look forward to the potential growth and impact of the diet consultant application in promoting healthier lifestyles and fostering a brighter, more health-conscious future. This chapter discussed about the objective achieved, limitations of project and recommendations for future improvement.

8.2 Objective Achievement

The following describes how the project's objectives from Chapter 1 were fulfilled:

The first project objective is to investigate diet and health related data. The project embarked on an extensive investigation of diet and health-related data, underpinning the development of the proposed mobile. This thorough exploration provided a wealth of valuable insights and knowledge, forming the bedrock upon which the project's subsequent phases were built. It ensured that the application's functionalities were grounded in a robust understanding of the complexities of diet and health.

The second project objective was to conduct a business analysis based on existing application that is similar with this project. Initial phase of the

project involved conducting a comprehensive business analysis by comparing similar applications in the domain. This process yielded invaluable findings, enabling the project to gain profound insights into market dynamics, user expectations, and potential avenues for innovation. The thorough business analysis equipped the project with a strategic advantage, guiding its decisions and ensuring alignment with user needs.

The third project objective is to develop an android based mobile application that assist an individual to improve their diet. The core objective of developing an Android-based mobile application aimed at assisting individuals in enhancing their dietary habits has been successfully realized. The resultant application stands as a testament to the project's dedication to promoting healthier lifestyles and dietary choices. It encapsulates a wealth of knowledge and research, providing users with a user-friendly platform for dietary improvement.

The last project objective is to conduct an evaluation of the built mobile application with the target user. The project culminated in the user-centric evaluation of the developed mobile application. Through comprehensive user acceptance testing, the application's reception among the target user demographic was assessed. The results of this evaluation were overwhelmingly positive.

8.3 Limitations

While the primary objectives of the project were achieved, several limitations were identified during its course. The first limitation of the Android-based diet consultant application lies in the challenge of sourcing raw data for lean mass and fat mass measurements. Accurate and up-to-date information on these vital health indicators can be elusive, as they often require specialized equipment or medical assessments. This limitation underscores the reliance on user-generated data or third-party sources, potentially introducing variability and imprecision in the app's recommendations. Addressing this limitation would necessitate

exploring innovative data collection methods or partnerships with fitness and health monitoring devices.

The second limitation was the chatbot versatility beyond diet and health topics. While the diet consultant application boasts a chatbot feature for user interactions, it is constrained by its limited scope of responding to inquiries exclusively related to diet and health. This limitation restricts the chatbot's versatility, as users may seek information or engage in conversations on a wide range of topics. Expanding the chatbot's capabilities to address broader queries and engage in diverse conversations could enhance user satisfaction and make the application more comprehensive in meeting users' informational needs.

The third limitation was the diet plan presentation is not really in details. The diet plan generated by the application, while serving as a valuable tool for users, is presented in a text-based format that lacks comprehensive detail. This limitation can impact user understanding and adherence to the proposed diet plans.

The fourth limitation is the absence of notification features. A notable omission in the current iteration of the diet consultant application is the absence of notification features. Notifications can serve as valuable reminders for users to record progress or stay on track with their dietary goals. Incorporating a notification system could enhance user engagement and help individuals adhere to their diet plans more effectively. Implementing customizable notifications for various aspects of the diet and health journey could address this limitation.

The last limitation is the application language only restricted to English. An inherent limitation of the application is its language restriction to English. While this choice enables accessibility to a broad user base, it also poses barriers for non-English-speaking individuals who may benefit from the app's features. Expanding language support to cater to a more diverse audience could broaden the application's reach and impact, making it more inclusive and globally relevant.

8.4 Recommendation for Future Work

The Android-based diet consulting application still has room for improvement in light of the limitations mentioned above. Table 8.1 outlines recommendations for future enhancements. These suggestions can provide valuable guidance to future developers in enhancing the application's functionality and addressing its limitations, thereby improving the overall user experience.

Table 8.1: Recommendations

Limitation	Recommendation
1. Obtaining Raw Data for Lean Mass and Fat Mass	Explore partnerships with fitness device manufacturers or health data providers to offer more accurate and real-time measurements. Educate users on proper measurement techniques and compatible devices.
2. Chatbot Versatility Beyond Diet and Health Topics	Expand the chatbot's knowledge base to respond to a wider range of inquiries. Implement natural language processing and integrate with external knowledge sources.
3. Diet Plan Presentation and Detail	Redesign diet plans to include visuals, meal timing recommendations, portion sizes, and detailed explanations about food choices and their nutritional benefits. Offer customizable diet plan formats.

4. Absence of Notification Features	Implement a robust notification system, allowing users to receive customizable notifications for meal reminders, progress tracking, and other relevant aspects of their health journey. Utilize push notifications, email reminders, and in-app alerts.
5. Language Restriction to English	Introduce multilingual support within the application, allowing users to select their preferred language, including Malay, Mandarin, Cantonese, and others. Collaborate with professional translators or use machine translation tools.

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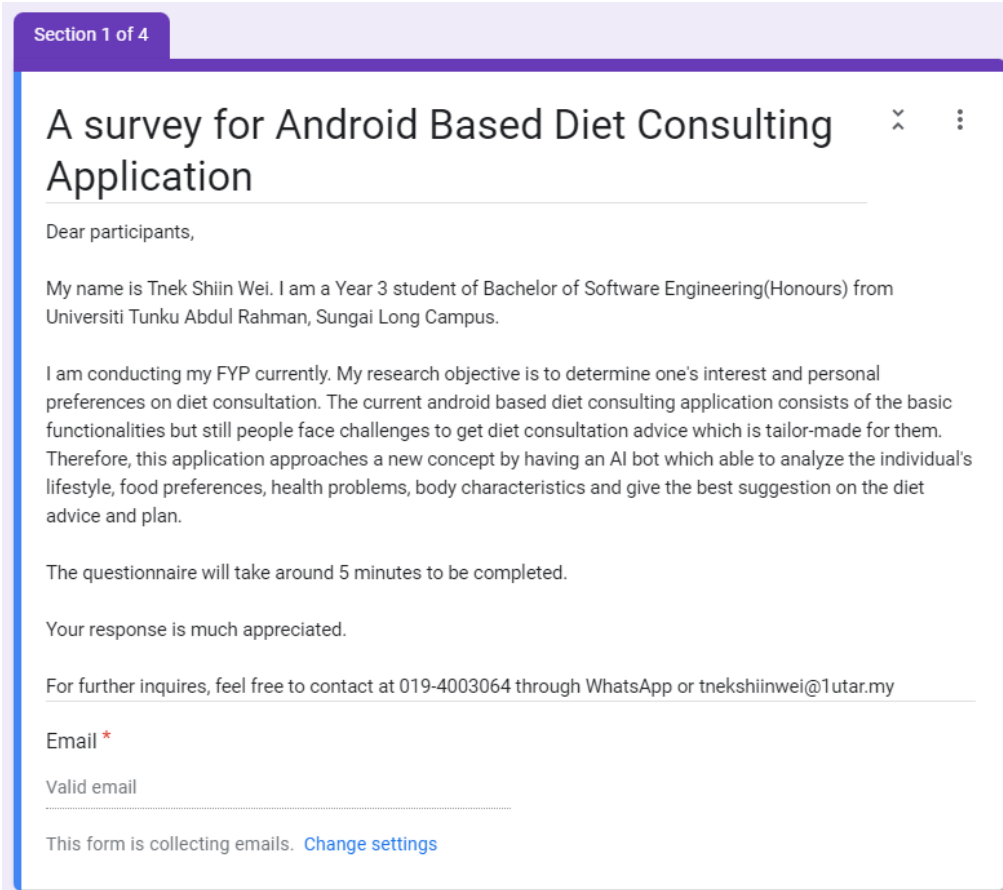
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APPENDICES

Appendix A: Complete Survey Form Questions

Figure A-1: Introduction Page of The Survey Form



Section 1 of 4

A survey for Android Based Diet Consulting Application

Dear participants,

My name is Tnek Shiin Wei. I am a Year 3 student of Bachelor of Software Engineering(Honours) from Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman, Sungai Long Campus.

I am conducting my FYP currently. My research objective is to determine one's interest and personal preferences on diet consultation. The current android based diet consulting application consists of the basic functionalities but still people face challenges to get diet consultation advice which is tailor-made for them. Therefore, this application approaches a new concept by having an AI bot which able to analyze the individual's lifestyle, food preferences, health problems, body characteristics and give the best suggestion on the diet advice and plan.

The questionnaire will take around 5 minutes to be completed.

Your response is much appreciated.

For further inquires, feel free to contact at 019-4003064 through WhatsApp or tnekshiinwei@utar.my

Email *

Valid email

This form is collecting emails. [Change settings](#)

Figure A-2: Demographic Section of the Survey Form

Section 2 of 4

Demographic ⌵ ⋮

Description (optional)

What is your age? *

18-24

25-34

35-44

45-64

65 or older

What is your gender? *

Male

Female

Prefer not to say

Figure A-3: Section 3 of the Survey form -1

Section 3 of 4

General ✕ ⋮

Description (optional)

How would you describe your current diet? *

Mostly plant-based

Balanced (mix of plant-based and animal-based)

Mostly animal-based

I do not follow a specific diet

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What is your biggest challenge in following a healthy diet? *

Lack of motivation

Lack of time

Limited food options

Confusion about what is healthy

Cost of healthy food

Other...

Figure A-4: Section 3 of the Survey form -2

How frequently do you go for a diet consultation session physically? *

Weekly

Monthly

Sometimes

Never

How strictly do you follow the diet plan provided by your current dietician?

Very strict

Normal

Not strict

Not applicable

...

Have you noticed any positive changes in your diet or health since you consulted a dietician? *

Yes, I have noticed significant positive changes

Yes, I have noticed some positive changes

No, I have not noticed any positive changes

I have not used diet consulting applications long enough to notice any changes

Figure A-5: Final Section of the Survey Form-1

Section 4 of 4

Survey on diet related questions among users ✕ ⋮

Description (optional)

Have you ever used a diet consulting application before? *

Yes

No

If yes, please state the application name.

Short answer text
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What features do you expect from a diet consulting application? *

Personalized meal plans

Calorie tracker

Nutrient tracker

Water intake tracker

Fitness tracker

Integration with wearable devices

Recipes and meal suggestions

Chat with a dietitian or nutritionist

Other...

Figure A-6 Final Section of the Survey Form-2

What is your primary goal for seeking a diet consulting application? *

How important is the credibility of the dietitian or nutritionist who created the application's meal plans and recommendations to you? *

Very important

Important

Neutral

Not very important

Not important at all

Would you recommend a diet consulting application to your friends or family members? *

Yes, I would recommend it

No, I would not recommend it

I'm not sure

How important is it for a diet consulting application to provide recipes that cater to dietary restrictions, such as gluten-free, vegetarian, or vegan options? *

Very important

Somewhat important

Neutral

Not very important

Not important at all

Figure A-7: Final Section of the Survey Form-3

How satisfied are you with the diet consulting application you currently use? *

Very satisfied

Satisfied

Neutral

Dissatisfied

Very dissatisfied

Not applicable

How important is it for a diet consulting application to have a community aspect, such as the ability to connect with other users for support and motivation? *

Very important

Somewhat important

Neutral

Not very important

Not important at all

How likely are you to continue using a diet consulting application in the future?

1 2 3 4 5

How often would you like to receive updates or reminders from a diet consulting application? *

Daily

Weekly

Monthly

Less frequently

Never

Do you own a smartwatch that tracing your health data? *

Yes

No

Appendix B: Unit Testing

Test Case ID	UTC001	Test Name	Test login with correct credential	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show login success			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User enters the valid and correct email and password. 2. User presses the login button			Email: tnekshiiinwei@gmail.com Password: 123123		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The system redirects to progress screen.			The system redirects to progress screen		

Test Case ID	UTC002	Test Name	Test login with correct email but invalid password	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User enters correct email but invalid password. 2. User presses the login button.			Email: tnekshiiinwei@gmail.com Password: 123111		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
"Wrong Password"			"Wrong Password"		

Test Case ID	UTC003	Test Name	Test login with invalid email	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User enters invalid email and password. 2. User presses on the login button.			Email: tnekshiiinwei1@gmail.com		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
"No user corresponding to the given email address"			"No user corresponding to the given email address"		

Test Case ID	UTC004	Test Name	Test login with an empty email	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description					
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User enters empty email. 2. User presses on the login button.				Email: ""	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
"Enter valid email"				"Enter valid email"	

Test Case ID	UTC005	Test Name	Test login with an empty password	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. Enter enters email and leaves password empty. 2. User presses on the login button.				Email: tnekshinwei@gmail.com Password: ""	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
"Password must be more than 5 characters"				"Password must be more than 5 characters"	

Test Case ID	UTC006	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show sign up success			
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, email, password and confirm password. 2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 3. User presses on "Sign Up" button				firstName: "Shiin" lastName: "Wei" Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: "Male" Medical History: "None" Food Preferences: "None" Email: "tnekshinwei@gmail.com" Password: "123123" Confirm Password: "123123"	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User is redirected to Progress Screen				User is redirected to Progress Screen.	

Test Case ID	UTC007	Test Name	Test sign up with all empty fields	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 2. User presses on “Sign Up” button					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
“Please fill required field”			“Please fill required field”		

Test Case ID	UTC008	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information but with empty first name and last name	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User enters only age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, email, password and confirm password. 2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 3. User presses on “Sign Up” button			Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Email: “tnekshinwei@gmail.com” Password: “123123” Confirm Password: “123123”		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
“Name is required”			“Name is required”		

Test Case ID	UTC009	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information but with empty email	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical			firstName: “Shiin” lastName: “Wei” Age: 23		

<p>history, food preferences, password and confirm password.</p> <p>2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. User presses on “Sign Up” button</p>	<p>Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Password: “123123” Confirm Password: “123123”</p>
Expected Result	Actual Result
“Enter Valid Email”	“Enter Valid Email”

Test Case ID	UTC010	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information but with invalid email	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<p>1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, email, password and confirm password.</p> <p>2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use.</p> <p>3. User presses on “Sign Up” button</p>			<p>firstName: “Shiin” lastName: “Wei” Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Email: “tnekshiinwei” Password: “123123” Confirm Password: “123123”</p>		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
“Enter Valid Email”			“Enter Valid Email”		

Test Case ID	UTC011	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information but with empty password	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			

Test Case Scenario	Test Data
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, email. 2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 3. User presses on “Sign Up” button 	firstName: “Shiin” lastName: “Wei” Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Email: “tnekshiinwei@gmail.com”
Expected Result	Actual Result
“Password must be more than 5 characters”	“Password must be more than 5 characters”

Test Case ID	UTC012	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information but with empty confirm password	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, email, password. 2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 3. User presses on “Sign Up” button 			firstName: “Shiin” lastName: “Wei” Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Email: “tnekshiinwei@gmail.com” Password: “123123”		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
“Confirm password is required”			“Confirm password is required”		

Test Case ID	UTC013	Test Name	Test user signs out current user	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system will end the current user’s session			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the logout button					

Expected Result	Actual Result
User is redirected to the onboarding screen	User is redirected to the onboarding screen

Test Case ID	UTC014	Test Name	Test get current user's profile information	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's profile information			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the profile button					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
User is redirected to the profile screen with the full list of user profile information			User is redirected to the profile screen with the full list of user profile information		

Test Case ID	UTC015	Test Name	Test modify user's profile	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to update user's profile information			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the edit icon button 2. User chooses the specific information to edit and enter valid latest information. 3. Then user presses on the save button.			Weight: 60		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The latest information is updated in the database and interface.			The latest information is updated in the database and interface.		

Test Case ID	UTC016	Test Name	Test modify user's profile using invalid input	Test Status	Fail
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the edit icon button 2. User chooses the specific information to edit and enter valid latest information.			Weight: "L"		

3. Then user presses on the save button.	
Expected Result	Actual Result
“Please enter a valid input”	Weight value is updated with initial value.

Test Case ID	UTC017	Test Name	Test get user progress information	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user’s progress information				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User is redirected to the progress screen					
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User is shown with the progress record data				User is shown with the progress record data	

Test Case ID	UTC018	Test Name	Test get user progress information if no progress information found.	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to show error message				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User is redirected to the progress screen					
Expected Result				Actual Result	
“No progress data found”				“No progress data found”	

Test Case ID	UTC019	Test Name	Test add user progress	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user’s latest progress information				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the add floating action button. 2. User input their fat mass and lean mass value. 3. User presses on save button.				Fat mass: 20 Lean mass: 40	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
The user latest recorded progress information is shown in the progress screen.				The user latest recorded progress	

	information is shown in the progress screen.
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Test Case ID	UTC020	Test Name	Test add user progress with invalid value	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the add floating action button. 2. User input invalid fat mass and lean mass value. 3. User presses on save button.			Fat mass: 1 Lean mass: 20		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
Please enter a value between 5 and 100.			Please enter a value between 5 and 100.		

Test Case ID	UTC021	Test Name	Test view specific existing diet plan	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's specific existing diet plan information			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User navigates to view diet plan screen. 2. User presses to view the specific diet plan.					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The diet plan selected information is shown to the user			The diet plan selected information is shown to the user		

Test Case ID	UTC022	Test Name	Test delete specific existing diet plan	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to delete the chosen existing diet plan.			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User navigates to view diet plan screen. 2. User presses to view the specific diet plan. 3. User presses the delete icon button.					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The selected diet plan is deleted from the firestore.			The selected diet plan is deleted from the firestore.		

Test Case ID	UTC023	Test Name	Test generate diet plan	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to prompt the diet plan information and update the latest diet plan to the database.			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to view diet plan screen. 2. User chooses the goal preferences. 3. User presses on the get diet plan button 			Goal Preferences: "Losing Weight"		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The system will generate the diet plan.			The system will generate the diet plan.		

Test Case ID	UTC024	Test Name	Test generate diet plan without an existing progress data	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to show message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to view diet plan screen. 2. User chooses the goal preferences. 			Goal Preferences: "Losing Weight"		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
"No progress data detected"			"No progress data detected"		

Test Case ID	UTC025	Test Name	Test record feedback	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's feedback			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to feedback screen 2. User fills in the feedback form. 3. User presses on the submit button 			Name: "Shiin Wei" Email: "tnekshiiinwei@gmail.com" Subject: "Testing" Comment: "Testing ya"		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
"Feedback submitted successfully"			"Feedback submitted successfully"		

Test Case ID	UTC026	Test Name	Test record feedback	Test Status	Pass
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			with blank input		
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to show message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to feedback screen 2. User presses on the submit button 					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
“Please enter your name” “Please enter your email” “Please enter your subject” “Please enter your comment”			“Please enter your name” “Please enter your email” “Please enter your subject” “Please enter your comment”		

Test Case ID	UTC027	Test Name	Test diet chatbot with a valid question	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to prompt response according to user input			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to chatbot screen 2. User input their questions and presses on the send button. 			Message: “Please help me on my diet”		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The chatbot will give response according to the message content.			The chatbot will give response according to the message content.		

Test Case ID	UTC028	Test Name	Test diet chatbot with a blank input	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to show error message			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to chatbot screen 2. User presses on the send button. 					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
“Please enter a valid question.”			“Please enter a valid question.”		

Appendix C: Integration Testing

Test Case ID	ITC001	Test Name	Test login screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the user can navigate to login page				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the login button in the onboarding screen				-	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User is able to access the login page				User is able to access the login page	

Test Case ID	ITC002	Test Name	Test progress screen if user is authenticated	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the user can navigate to progress page if user is authenticated.				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the progress screen in the bottom navigation bar.				-	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User will be redirected to the progress screen				User is redirected to the progress screen	

Test Case ID	ITC003	Test Name	Test progress screen if user is not authenticated	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the user is redirect back to login page if the user is not authenticated.				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	

1. User pressed on the login button after filling the invalid credential information.	-
Expected Result	Actual Result
User will be redirected back to login page.	User will be redirected back to login page.

Test Case ID	ITC004	Test Name	Test log out	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the user is removed from session and redirect to the onboarding screen.				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the log out button.				-	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User will be redirected back to the onboarding screen.				User will be redirected back to the onboarding screen.	

Test Case ID	ITC005	Test Name	Test sign up screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether user can navigate to sign up screen.				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the sign-up button in the onboarding screen.				-	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User will be navigated to the sign up screen.				User will be navigated to the sign up screen.	

Test Case ID	ITC006	Test Name	Test submit sign up	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether user can navigate to user's progress screen				

Test Case Scenario	Test Data
1. User fills all the information in the sign up screen. 2. User presses on the sign up button	-
Expected Result	Actual Result
User is navigated to the user's progress screen.	User is navigated to the user's progress screen.

Test Case ID	ITC007	Test Name	Test user profile screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the user can navigate to user profile screen after the user is authenticated.				
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the profile button					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
User is redirected to the profile screen.			User is redirected to the profile screen.		

Test Case ID	ITC008	Test Name	Test update profile information	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the new information is updated to the backend				
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User fills in the information in the profile screen.					
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The firestore database is updated with the latest profile data.			The firestore database is updated with the latest profile data.		

Test Case ID	ITC009	Test Name	Test view diet plan screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the user can navigate to view diet plan screen after the user is authenticated.			
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the view diet plan in the bottom navigation bar.					
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User is redirected to the view diet plan page.				User is redirected to the view diet plan page.	

Test Case ID	ITC010	Test Name	Test generate diet plan screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the user can navigate to generate diet plan screen after pressing on “Generate” button.			
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User chooses their goal preferences and presses on the generate button.					
Expected Result				Actual Result	
User is redirected to the generate diet plan screen.				User is redirected to the generate diet plan screen.	

Test Case ID	ITC011	Test Name	Test add diet plan	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the diet plan information is added to database			
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	

1. User presses on the get diet plan button in the generate diet plan screen.	-
Expected Result	Actual Result
The latest diet plan generated is added to the Firestore Database.	The latest diet plan generated is added to the Firestore Database.

Test Case ID	ITC012	Test Name	Test delete diet plan	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the diet plan information is deleted from database				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the existing diet plan listed. 2. User presses on the delete icon of a specific diet plan.				-	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
The diet plan selected is deleted from the Firestore Database.				The diet plan selected is deleted from the Firestore Database.	

Test Case ID	ITC013	Test Name	Test add progress	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description	Examine whether the add progress information is added to the backend				
Test Case Scenario				Test Data	
1. User presses on the add floating action button in progress screen. 2. User fills in the required fields.				-	
Expected Result				Actual Result	
The latest progress data is added to the Firestore Database.				The latest progress data is added to the Firestore Database.	

Test Case ID	ITC014	Test Name	Test feedback screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether user can navigate to feedback screen after user is authenticated			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the feedback button in the bottom navigation bar.			-		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
User is navigated to feedback screen.			User is navigated to feedback screen.		

Test Case ID	ITC015	Test Name	Test add feedback	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether the feedback information is added to the back end			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User fills in the required information in the feedback screen.			-		
Expected Result			Actual Result		
The feedback information submitted is added to the Firestore Database.			The feedback information submitted is added to the Firestore Database.		

Test Case ID	ITC016	Test Name	Test chatbot screen	Test Status	Pass
Test Case Description		Examine whether user can navigate to chatbot after the user is authenticated			
Test Case Scenario			Test Data		
1. User presses on the chatbot button in the bottom navigation bar.			-		

Expected Result	Actual Result
User is navigated to the chatbot screen.	User is navigated to the chatbot screen.

Appendix D: User Acceptance Test

Test Case ID	UAT001	Test Name	Test login with correct credential
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system will show login success		
Test Case Scenario	Test Data		
1. User enters the valid and correct email and password.	Email: tnekshiiinwei@gmail.com		
2. User presses the login button	Password: 123123		
Expected Result	Actual Result		
The system redirects to progress screen.	The system redirects to progress screen.		
Test Status	Comments		
1. Pass			
2. Pass			
3. Pass			
4. Pass			
5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT002	Test Name	Test login with invalid credential
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system will show error message		
Test Case Scenario	Test Data		
1. User enters correct email but invalid password.	Email: tnekshiiinwei@gmail.com		
2. User presses the login button.	Password: 123111		
Expected Result	Actual Result		

“Wrong Password”	“Wrong Password”
Test Status	Comments
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass	

Test Case ID	UAT003	Test Name	Test sign up with valid information
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system will show sign up success		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, email, password and confirm password. 2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 3. User presses on “Sign Up” button		firstName: “Shiin” lastName: “Wei” Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Email: “tnekshiinwei@gmail.com” Password: “123123” Confirm Password: “123123”	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
User is redirected to Progress Screen		User is redirected to Progress Screen	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass 2. Pass			

3.	Pass	
4.	Pass	
5.	Pass	

Test Case ID	UAT004	Test Name	Test sign up with invalid input
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system will show error message		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User enters the valid first name, last name, age, weight, height, gender, medical history, food preferences, password and confirm password. 2. User presses on agree the Terms of Use. 3. User presses on “Sign Up” button		firstName: “Shiin” lastName: “Wei” Age: 23 Weight: 60 Height: 173 Gender: “Male” Medical History: “None” Food Preferences: “None” Email: “” Password: “123123” Confirm Password: “123123”	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
“Enter Valid Email”		“Enter Valid Email”	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT005	Test Name	Test use signs out current user
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system will end the current user's session		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
User presses on the logout button			
Expected Result		Actual Result	
User is redirected to the onboarding screen		User is redirected to the onboarding screen	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass			
2. Pass			
3. Pass			
4. Pass			
5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT006	Test Name	Test get current user's profile information
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's profile information		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User presses on the profile button		-	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
User is redirected to the profile screen with the full list of user profile information		User is redirected to the profile screen with the full list of user profile information	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass			
2. Pass			
3. Pass			
4. Pass			
5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT007	Test Name	Test modify user's profile
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to update user's profile information		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User presses on the edit icon button 2. User chooses the specific information to edit and enter valid latest information. 3. Then user presses on the save button. 		Weight: 60	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
The latest information is updated in the database and interface.		The latest information is updated in the database and interface.	
Test Status		Comments	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass 			

Test Case ID	UAT008	Test Name	Test modify user's profile using invalid input
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to show error message		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User presses on the edit icon button 2. User chooses the specific information to edit and enter valid latest information. 3. Then user presses on the save button. 		Weight: "L"	
Expected Result		Actual Result	

“Please enter a valid input”	Weight value is updated with initial value.
Test Status	Comments
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Fail 4. Pass 5. Fail	Put some error handling event to handle this problem.

Test Case ID	UAT009	Test Name	Test get user progress information
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user’s progress information.		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User is redirected to the progress screen			
Expected Result		Actual Result	
User is shown with the progress record data		User is shown with the progress record data	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT010	Test Name	Test get user progress information if no progress information found
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to show error message		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	

1. User is redirected to the progress screen	
Expected Result	Actual Result
“No progress data found”	“No progress data found”
Test Status	Comments
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass	

Test Case ID	UAT011	Test Name	Test add user progress
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user’s latest progress information		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User presses on the add floating action button. 2. User input their fat mass and lean mass value. 3. User presses on save button.		Fat mass: 20 Lean mass: 40	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
The user latest recorded progress information is shown in the progress screen.		The user latest recorded progress information is shown in the progress screen.	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT012	Test Name	Test add user progress with invalid value
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to show error message		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User presses on the add floating action button. 2. User input invalid fat mass and lean mass value. 3. User presses on save button. 		Fat mass: 1 Lean mass: 20	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
Please enter a value between 5 and 100.		Please enter a value between 5 and 100.	
Test Status		Comments	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass 			

Test Case ID	UAT013	Test Name	Test view specific existing diet plan
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's specific existing diet plan information		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to view diet plan screen. 2. User presses to view the specific diet plan. 			
Expected Result		Actual Result	
The diet plan selected information is shown to the user		The diet plan selected information is shown to the user	
Test Status		Comments	

1.	Pass	
2.	Pass	
3.	Pass	
4.	Pass	
5.	Pass	

Test Case ID	UAT014	Test Name	Test delete specific existing diet plan
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to delete the chosen existing diet plan		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to view diet plan screen. 2. User presses to view the specific diet plan. 3. User presses the delete icon button. 			
Expected Result		Actual Result	
The selected diet plan is deleted from the firestore.		The selected diet plan is deleted from the firestore.	
Test Status		Comments	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass 			

Test Case ID	UAT015	Test Name	Test generate diet plan
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to prompt the diet plan information and update the latest diet plan to the database		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	

1. User navigates to view diet plan screen.	Goal Preferences:
2. User chooses the goal preferences.	“Losing Weight”
3. User presses on the get diet plan button	
Expected Result	Actual Result
The system will generate the diet plan.	The system will generate the diet plan.
Test Status	Comments
1. Pass	
2. Pass	
3. Pass	
4. Pass	
5. Pass	

Test Case ID	UAT016	Test Name	Test generate diet plan without an existing progress data
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to show message		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User navigates to view diet plan screen.	Goal Preferences:		
2. User chooses the goal preferences.	“Losing Weight”		
3. User presses on the Generate button.			
Expected Result		Actual Result	
“No progress data detected”		“No progress data detected”	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass			
2. Pass			
3. Pass			
4. Pass			
5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT017	Test Name	Test record feedback
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to retrieve user's feedback	
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to feedback screen. 2. User fills in the feedback form. 3. User presses on the submit button 		Name: "Shiin Wei" Email: "tnekshiinwei@gmail.com" Subject: "Testing" Comment: "Testing ya"	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
"Feedback submitted successfully"		"Feedback submitted successfully"	
Test Status		Comments	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass 			

Test Case ID	UAT018	Test Name	Test record feedback with blank input
Test Case Description		Examine whether the system able to show message	
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User navigates to feedback screen 2. User presses on the submit button 			
Expected Result		Actual Result	
"Please enter your name" "Please enter your email" "Please enter your subject" "Please enter your comment"		"Please enter your name" "Please enter your email"	

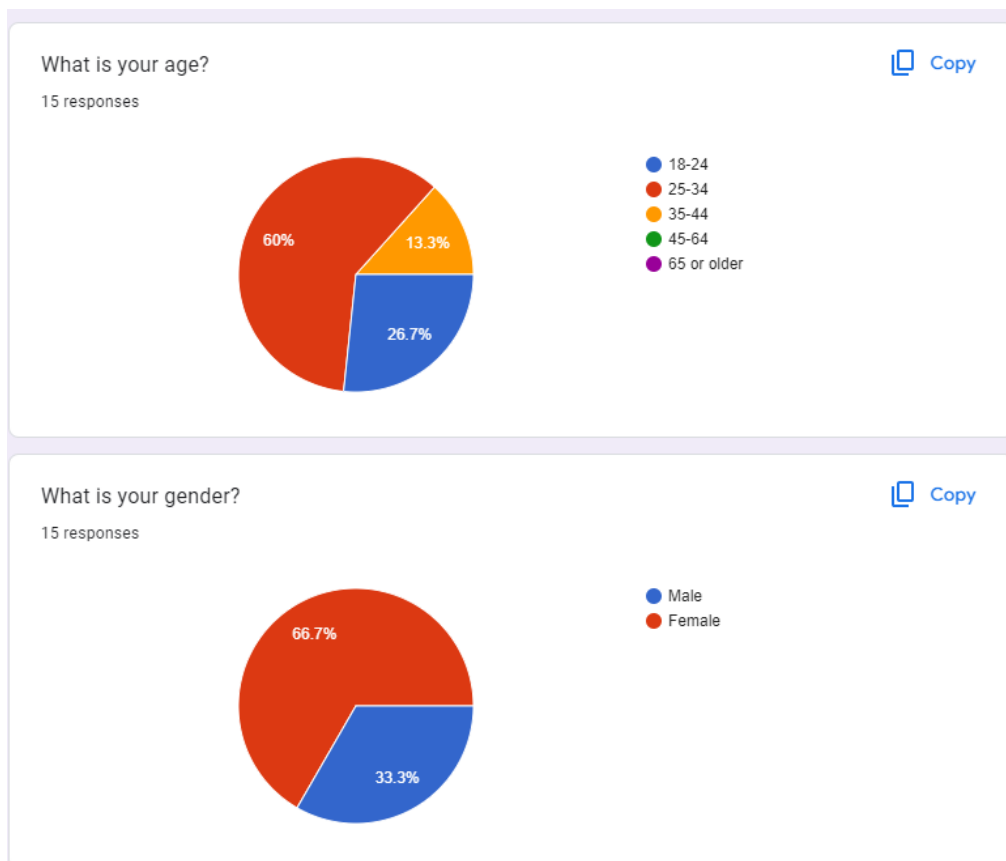
	“Please enter your subject” “Please enter your comment”
Test Status	Comments
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass	

Test Case ID	UAT019	Test Name	Test diet chatbot with a valid question
Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to prompt response according to user input		
Test Case Scenario		Test Data	
1. User navigates to chatbot screen 2. User input their questions and presses on the send button.		Message: “Please help me on my diet”	
Expected Result		Actual Result	
The chatbot will give response according to the message content.		The chatbot will give response according to the message content.	
Test Status		Comments	
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass			

Test Case ID	UAT020	Test Name	Test diet chatbot with a blank input
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Test Case Description	Examine whether the system able to show error message	
Test Case Scenario	Test Data	
1. User navigates to chatbot screen 2. User presses on the send button.		
Expected Result	Actual Result	
“Please enter a valid question.”	“Please enter a valid question.”	
Test Status	Comments	
1. Pass 2. Pass 3. Pass 4. Pass 5. Pass		

Appendix E: User Acceptance Test Feedback Result

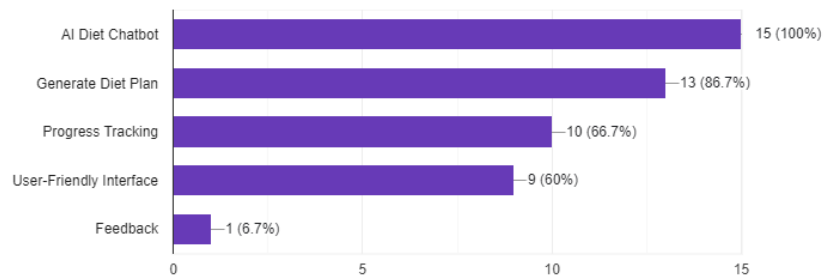


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What features of this application do you find most valuable? (Select all that apply)

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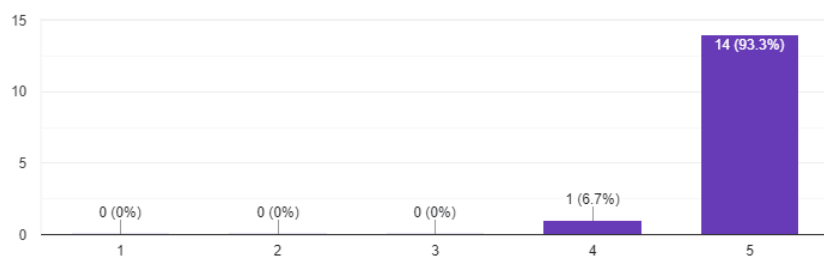
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I think that I would like to use this application to keep a good diet.

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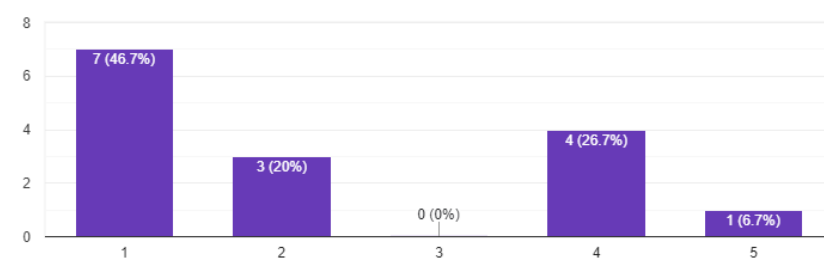
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I found the application unnecessarily complicated.

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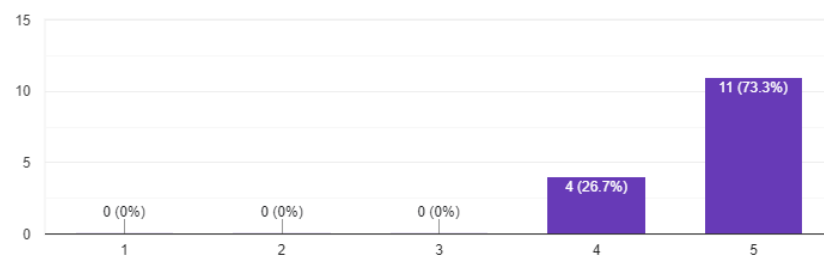
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The application was easy to use.

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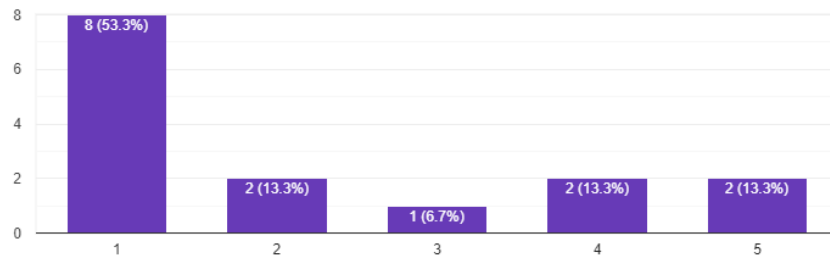
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I think that there are too many inconsistencies in this application.

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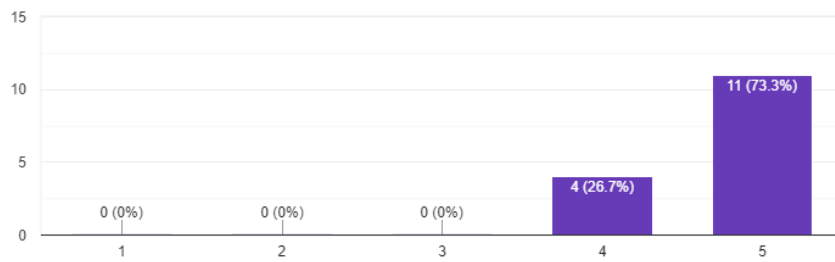
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How would you rate your overall satisfaction with this application?

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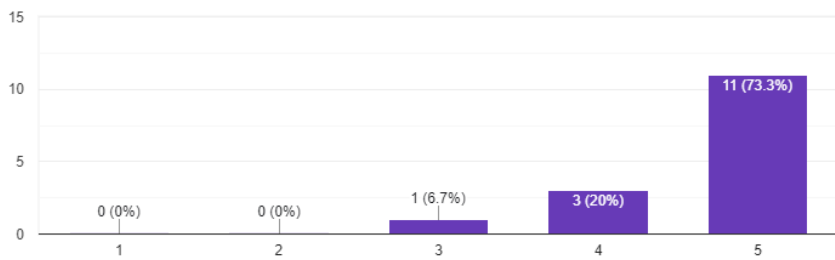
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How likely are you to recommend this application to a friend or colleague?

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I am looking forward for using this application further

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