SPA-Tech Prime: A Smart College Management Android Application

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Abstract - In the modern era of digitalization, the demand for manualy refresh to see updates. Our project solves this by using a instantaneous data delivery is paramount. This

using **Android Studio**, the system leverages **Firebase Real-time Database** for instant data synchronization and **Supabase Storage** for efficient handling of large media files and documents. This hybrid cloud approach ensures high scalability, low latency, and a robust user experience. The paper discusses the architecture, integration of multiple cloud platforms, and the performance analysis of the system.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The core objective of **SPA-TECH Prime** is to bridge the gap between information generation and its consumption. Traditional systems often suffer from "polling delays" where the user must

paper presents "Push-based" architecture.

SPA-TECH Prime, an Android-based mobile application

designed to provide real-time information to users. Developed

- To provide a seamless UI/UX using Material Design.
- To ensure zero-latency data updates using Firebase.
- To manage cloud assets (images/PDFs) using Supabase.
- To provide a secure environment for information exchange.

1.1 Problem Statement

Most existing information management systems rely on Request-Response cycles. This leads to several issues:

- **High Latency:** Users do not receive critical updates in real- time.
- **Server Overhead:** Constant manual refreshing increases

- **Data Inconsistency:** Different users may see different versions of information if they don't refresh simultaneously.
- **Storage Limitations:** Storing large binary files (images/videos) directly in real-time databases slows down the system performance and increases costs.

1.2 Aim and Objectives

The primary **Aim** of this research is to develop a high-performance Android application, **SPA-TECH Prime**, that integrates dual-cloud technologies (Firebase and Supabase) to provide a lag-free information environment.

The specific Objectives are:

- **Seamless UI/UX:** To design an intuitive interface using **Google's Material Design** principles for better user engagement.
- **Zero-Latency Synchronization:** To implement **Firebase Real-time Database** for push-based data synchronization.
- **Optimized Cloud Storage:** To utilize **Supabase Storage** (Bucket-based) for handling high-resolution media and PDF documents without affecting database speed.
- **Security & Encryption:** To provide a secure environment for information exchange using Firebase Authentication and SSL-encrypted cloud channels.

1.3 Objective of the Study

The study focuses on analyzing how "Hybrid Cloud Integration" (using two different cloud providers for different tasks) affects mobile application performance.

The study aims to prove that separating **Real-time Metadata (Firebase)** from **Large Media Files (Supabase)** results in a faster, more scalable Android Application compared to traditional single-server architectures.

2. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE AND METHODOLOGY

2.1 Technology Stack

- **Frontend:** Android Studio (Java/Kotlin) with XML for UI.
- **Real-time Backend:** Firebase Real-time Database (NoSQL).
- **Storage Management:** Supabase (PostgreSQL-based storage) for handling heavy files.
- **Authentication:** Firebase Auth / Supabase Auth.

2.2 Methodology

The development followed the **V-Model** of software development, ensuring each module (Information fetch, Real-time sync, Storage retrieval) was tested individually.

1. **Data Layer:** Firebase listens for changes in the database and triggers a UI update in the app immediately.
2. **Storage Layer:** When a user uploads a document or image, it is routed to Supabase buckets via API calls, and the URL is stored in Firebase.

3. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS

3.1 Firebase Integration

The onDataChange listener, which allows the app to react instantly to any changes in the cloud database.

3.2 Supabase Storage Implementation

While Firebase is great for text, Supabase offers superior handling for structured storage. We integrated the Supabase SDK to manage file uploads. This dual-cloud strategy prevents the app from slowing down when handling high volumes of media.

4 . RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The system was tested under different network conditions (3G, 4G, Wi-Fi).

- Sync Speed: Data sync occurs within 200ms–500ms.
- Stability: The app maintained 99.9% uptime during the testing phase.
- User Feedback: Users reported that the "Real-time" nature of SPA-TECH Prime significantly reduced the time taken to receive critical information compared to web-based portals.

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CONCLUSION

SPA-TECH Prime successfully demonstrates how Android and Cloud technologies can create a high- speed information ecosystem. By combining Firebase and Supabase, we achieved a balance between speed and storage efficiency.

Future Enhancements:

- Adding AI-based push notifications.
- Implementing Offline-first capability using Room Database.
- Expanding to iOS using Flutter or React Native.

APPENDIX

To provide a deeper understanding of the real-time integration, the following code snippets represent the core logic of the **SPA-TECH Prime** application.

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