Microservices for Daily Life

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Introduction

This system comprises of a core Registry service which is designed to interface with a flexible number of external microservices.

Requirements

Registry Requirements

Functional Requirements

- Display Microservices: Display a real-time list of all microservices currently registered in the registry. The list must be dynamically updated to reflect the addition, removal, or unavailability of services.
- Service Discovery: Ability to search through all the registered microservices for service discovery.
- Service Management: Handles register, deregister, and heartbeat POST requests from the microservices and provides information back to them about the request.
- Service Availability Monitoring: Monitor the availability of registered microservices by tracking heartbeat signals. A microservice will be marked as unavailable if it fails to send two consecutive heartbeats.

Quality Requirements

- Timely updates: The registry must frequently refresh the list of registered microservices to ensure users and systems have access to accurate, up-to-date information. Updates must account for new registration, deregistration, and changes in service availability.
- Search Performance: The registry must process search queries quickly and reliably to enable efficient service discovery.

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Availability: Should always be available so that you can always tell if the
microservices are available or not. As a critical component of the system, the
registry's downtime directly impacts the ability of microservices to function, making
availability critical for the overall architecture.

S-01 Requirements

Functional Requirements

- Site Explanation and Input Method: Clearly explain the purpose of the site and provide a straightforward method for users to enter a stock symbol and submit their request.
- Market Share Calculation: Calculate the market share of a stock by identifying its market and determining the percentage of the market cap it represents.

- Additional Stock Information: Return additional relevant information about the stock, such as changes in its market share over time, to provide a comprehensive overview.
- Display Processed Information: Display the calculated market share and additional stock data accurately for the user.
- Registry Interaction: Be able to register and deregister with the service registry and send periodic heartbeat signals to confirm the service's active status.

Quality Requirements

- Clear Interface: Present the returned stock data in a clear, visually appealing, and informative manner for the user within a web browser.
- Intuitive: The purpose of the service is clear to the user when they first view the website and not confusing.
- Fast Response: After sending a request, the server takes no more than 2 seconds for the user to have the returned data.

ASRs

Performance: Aim to return the stock data within 2 seconds of receiving a request.
 Quick response times are critical for maintaining a positive user experience and supporting real-time decision-making. Delays could frustrate users, reduce system usability, and undermine trust in the service's efficiency.

S-02 Requirements

Functional Requirements

- Stock Symbol Input: Provide two text input forms for users to enter stock symbols, with validation to notify users if the symbols are invalid or unrecognized.
- Stock Comparison: Service compares two stocks provided by the user, compare the difference in their market cap, stock price, and profit margins.
- Input Validation: Service does not try to compare a stock that does not exist or compare a stock before the user enters two symbols.
- Registry Interaction: Be able to register and deregister with the service registry and send periodic heartbeat signals to confirm the service's active status.

Quality Requirements

- Responsive Design: Ensure the interface adapts attractively to various screen sizes and device types, maintaining usability and visual appeal.
- Clear Information Formatting: Format the displayed information consistently, grouping related data together and aligning it neatly, preferably on the same line for easy comparison.
- Quick Comparisons: Present information in a way that allows users to identify which stock is performing better at a glance.

ASRs

- Usability: The service must have a responsive design that works seamlessly across all platforms and device types. A responsive design ensures accessibility for a diverse user base, enhancing user satisfaction and broadening the service's usability.
- Usability: The service must present information in a way that is easy for users to understand and interpret. Clear and intuitive information presentation reduces cognitive load for users, enabling faster decision-making and improving the overall user experience.

S-03 Requirements

Functional Requirements

- Emissions Calculation: Given two cities, output estimated Co2 emission values for travelling between them by car, rail, or plane.
- City Pair Input: Accept city pairs in plaintext format (e.g., "City, Country") as input for the calculation.
- Emission Reduction Suggestions: Provide users with actionable suggestions to reduce emissions based on the specific city pair.
- Error Handling: Errors in city pairs or calculations are handled gracefully and alternatives are found.
- Registry Interaction: Be able to register and deregister with the service registry and send periodic heartbeat signals to confirm the service's active status.

Quality Requirements

- Efficient Calculations: Calculations are performed in under 5 seconds by the server.
- Outlier Handling: Automatically detect and address outliers in CO2 emission estimates to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the output.

ASRs

Performance: Perform all calculations within 2 seconds of receiving the input. Fast
calculations are essential for a smooth user experience, especially when users rely
on quick results for decision-making. A delay could discourage use and diminish the
perceived reliability of the service.

S-04 Requirements

Functional Requirements

- Daily Weather Summary: Provide a summary of the current day's weather for a given city based on user input.
- City Input Format: Accept city names in the format "City, Country" for weather lookup.

- Clothing Suggestions: Given the summary of the daily weather, output a suggestion for weather-appropriate clothing.
- Registry Interaction: Be able to register and deregister with the service registry and send periodic heartbeat signals to confirm the service's active status.

Quality Requirements

- Weather Data Accuracy: Accuracy of the daily weather is not guaranteed as external API will be used. However, outliers and errors will be addressed.
- Efficient Clothing Suggestions: The server will return clothing results in less than 5 seconds, including API wait time.
- Reliability: To guarantee reliability (99% when running), a rolling backup will be implemented for common cities.

ASRs

Performance: Deliver clothing suggestions based on weather data within 2 seconds
of receiving a valid input. Quick response times improve the overall user experience,
ensuring interactions with the service feel seamless and efficient. This makes the
service a dependable tool for daily planning while also encouraging users to rely on
it frequently.

S-05 Requirements

Functional Requirements

- Exercise Plan Generation: Given a set of preferences (e.g. muscle group), output a plan of possible exercises to complete.
- User Profile Management: Enable users to view, save, delete, and create new exercise plans, ensuring their preferences and actions are remembered.
- Plan Completion Tracking: Allow users to mark exercise plans as complete using a simple flag to track their progress.
- Registry Interaction: Be able to register and deregister with the service registry and send periodic heartbeat signals to confirm the service's active status.

Quality Requirements

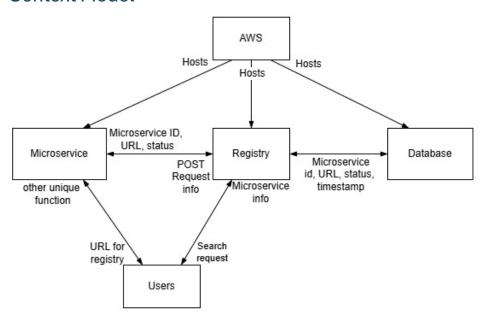
- Efficient Plan Generation: Exercise plans are calculated in less than 1 second by the server.
- Plan Accuracy: Output the plan with a 95% accuracy rate (inaccurate meaning obvious errors with given exercise).
- Data Persistence: Save user profiles and exercise plans in a database to ensure continuity across microservice reboots.

ASRs

 Usability: User data, including profiles and exercise plans, must persist across microservice reboots. Fitness tracking relies on continuity, as users need consistent access to their saved exercise plans, progress, and preferences to effectively manage their workouts. Data persistence is critical for maintaining a seamless user experience, ensuring users do not lose progress or customizations due to system restarts or updates.

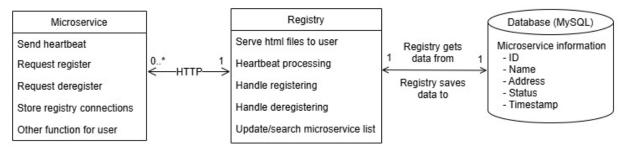
Architecture and Design

Context Model



The registry is the central node as it is the most important. It will send microservice ids, URLs, status', and timestamps between it and the database to provide to the user and update status based on heartbeats. The registry will send registered microservice info to the user and POST request info to the microservices about the outcome of their requests when they make requests with the registry. The microservices will send their ID, URL, and status to the registry so it can register it and facilitate heartbeats. It will also provide some function to the user. The user can send search requests to the registry and URLs of registries to the microservice that they want to register or deregister from. Finally, AWS will host all the software systems.

Overall System Architecture



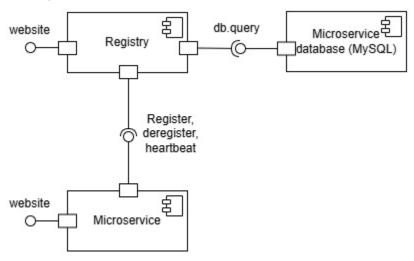
The module diagram is focused on the registry. In this way, the microservices are interchangeable from the eyes of the registry.

The registry will have a function to handle the heartbeats it receives from the microservices and update the microservice's availability accordingly. If it does not get a heartbeat from a microservice for 35 seconds, it will list it as unavailable. It will also provide a function to accept register and deregister requests from a microservice, updating its database and sending acknowledgements to the microservice.

The microservice will have a function to send heartbeats to the registry. It will do this every 15 seconds and include information differentiating it from other microservices. It will also implement a method to send register and deregister requests to the registry service over HTTP. These methods should wait for a response and then update its own internal storage accordingly. Finally, the microservice will provide some other function to the user that is to do with its own individual specification.

The database will store the information of each registered microservice including a unique id, name, address, status, and timestamp of the status for each microservice.

Component Connector View



The microservice will provide an interface to send data between it and the registry. This interface will provide information about itself so that the registry can properly register,

deregister, and know its availability status. It will also provide a website interface for the user so they can use some function of it or have it register or deregister from a registry.

The registry will have two required interfaces. One for accepting information from a microservice to handle the requests it makes and a second to query the MySQL database that stores information about the registered microservices. It will also provide a website interface so the user can see what microservices are registered, search through them, view their status, and visit them if they choose.

The MySQL database will have a provided interface that the registry can use to query the data in it.

Implementation Details

The registry was implemented using Node.js and a MySQL database.

The registry is hosted on an Amazon Web Services EC2 Instance at http://3.135.187.132/

The S-01 service was implemented using Node.js and the AlphaVantage API.

The S-01 service is hosted on an Amazon Web Services EC2 Instance at http://3.133.139.3/

The S-02 service was implemented using Node.js and the AlphaVantage API.

The S-02 service is hosted on an Amazon Web Services EC2 Instance at http://18.190.176.152/

The S-03 service was implemented using Python Streamlit.

The S-03 service is hosted on an Amazon Web Services EC2 Instance. This is best as Streamlit is always running and is more suited for a dedicated VM rather than serverless compute.

The S-04 service was implemented using Vite, Typescript React, Postgres, and Express.js

The S-04 service is hosted on a Replit Autoscale cluster. This allows it to automatically scale up according to demand. However, a dedicated VM is used as an alternative for cost reasons.

The S-05 service was implemented using Vite, Typescript React, Postgres, and Express.js

The S-05 service is designed to be hosted on a Replit Autoscale cluster. This allows it to automatically scale up according to demand. However, a dedicated VM is used as an alternative for cost reasons.

Testing

The Quality Assurance for this system is composed of manual black-box tests. Each component is run through a set number of scenarios.

As an example, we go through each combination of registration and deregistration for every microservice and the registry. As we are doing it manually, we do Decision Table Testing which has the least amount of test cases but the most amount of thought involved.

Operational Evidence

Registry



User is presented with the service registry page where different services are listed. However, it is possible for none to be listed.



The search functionality performs a substring match. "m" would return all of the services here as it is a substring of all of the strings. But "moo" would not return any.



The output when the search matches none of the service IDs.



Microservices

Choose a microservice below to visit it. Updates regularly.

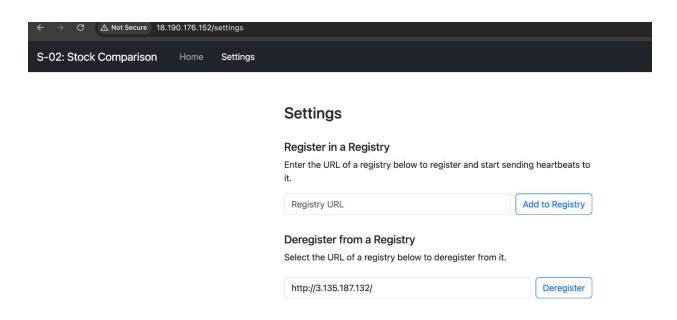
S-01: Market Share Calculator

S-02: Stock Comparison

S-03 Emissions Calculator

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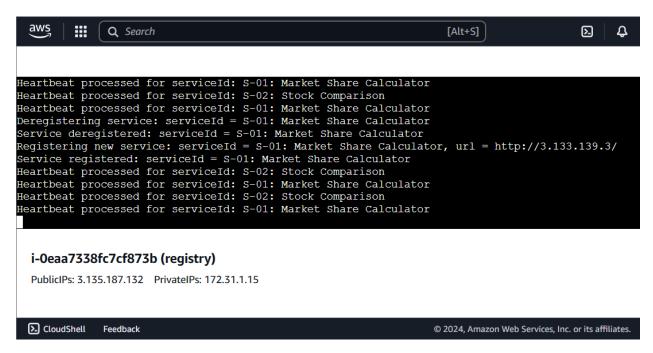
Each service is clickable and will bring you to the external service's IP.



Removal of a service from the registry happens at the microservice side. There are logging messages.



Updated registry with the S-02 service freshly removed.



Console output shows S01 being deregistered and re-registered as well as a number of received heartbeats

S-01



Market Share Calcuator

Enter a stock's symbol below to calculate it's market share and see other information about it.



User is prompted to enter a ticket symbol

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Enter a stock's symbol below to calculate it's market share and see other information about it.

| AAPL | Search |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| Company: | Apple Inc |
| Sector: | Technology |
| Price: | \$242.65 |
| Market Capitalization: | \$3,667,848,593,000 |
| Percent of Market: | 6.645% |

Program outputs the details of the stock

Settings

Settings

Register in a Registry

Enter the URL of a registry below to register and start sending heartbeats to it.



Deregister from a Registry

Select the URL of a registry below to deregister from it.



User can navigate to settings page to register/deregister.

S-01: Market Share Calculator Home Settings

Settings

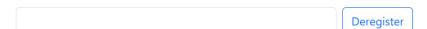
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Deregister from a Registry

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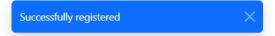
Registration by inputting IP



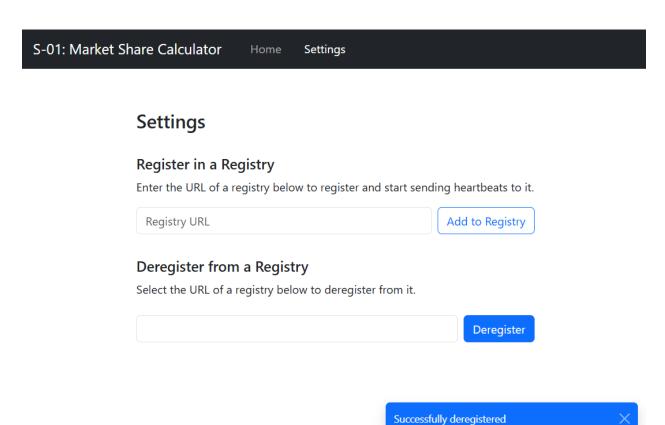
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Select the URL of a registry below to deregister from it.

http://3.135.187.132/ Deregister



Registration. Alerts are given for success/errors.



Successful deregistration from registry.

S-02



Stock Comparison

Enter two stock's symbols below to compare them.

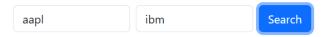


User lands on the homepage



Stock Comparison

Enter two stock's symbols below to compare them.



User enters two companies publicly traded in the United States (e.g. NYSE/NASDAQ).

S-02: Stock Comparison Home Settings

Stock Comparison

Enter two stock's symbols below to compare them.



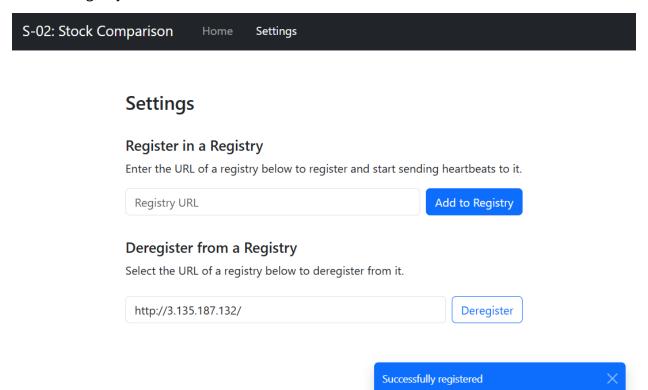
The program outputs a comparison of the two companies' financial statistics.



Settings

Register in a Registry Enter the URL of a registry below to register and start sending heartbeats to it. http://3.135.187.132/ Add to Registry Deregister from a Registry Select the URL of a registry below to deregister from it. Deregister

The Settings page allows the user to enter in a registry URL in order to register the service onto the registry.



The output is a success/error message for the registration. The user can also deregister from a specific registry.



Settings Register in a Registry

Enter the URL of a registry below to register and start sending heartbeats to it.



Deregister from a Registry

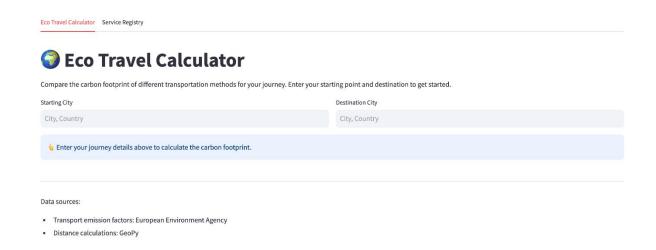
Select the URL of a registry below to deregister from it.





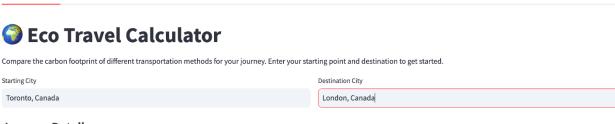
An error or success message is the output for a deregistration.

S-03



User is able to enter a starting city and destination city.

Eco Travel Calculator Service Registry



Journey Details

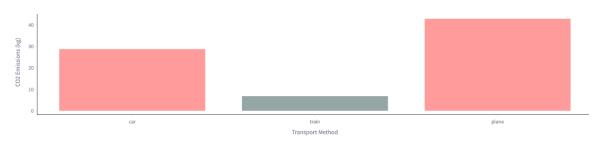
Total Distance: 168.21 km

Route Visualization



After entry, the output comprises details and visualizations of the journey.

CO2 Emissions by Transport Method (kg)



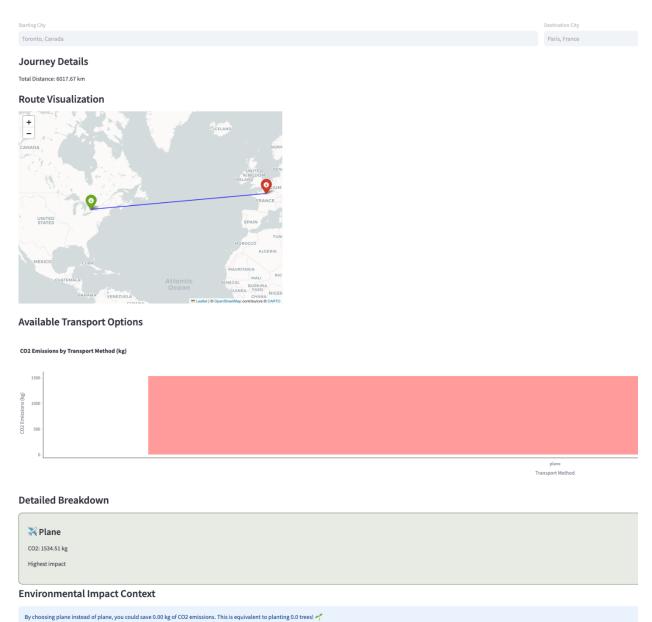
Detailed Breakdown



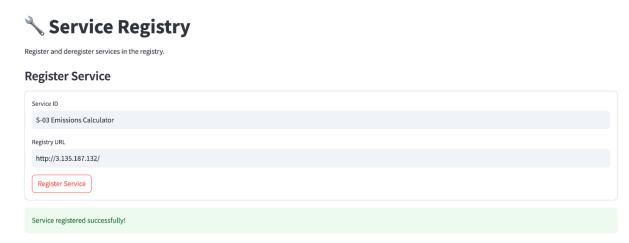
Environmental Impact Context

By choosing train instead of plane, you could save 35.99 kg of CO2 emissions. This is equivalent to planting 1.7 trees! 🔨

The output also includes emissions details divided between different modes of transport.



For longer journeys, it automatically discards unrealistic modes such as car.

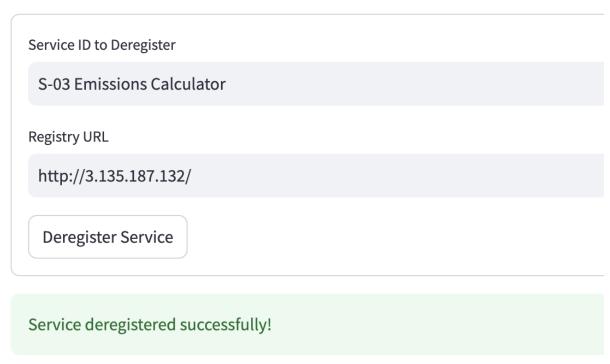


The registry settings page operates the same way, but for this service you can list the service with a custom ID.



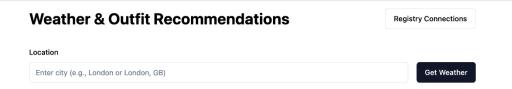
Registry View

Deregister Service

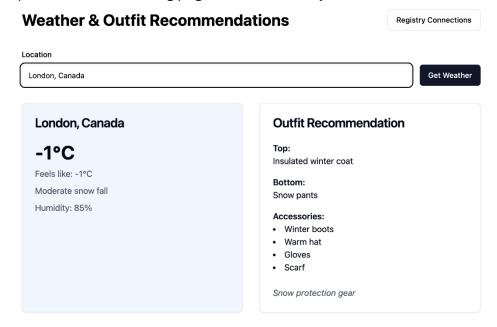


Deregistration works the same way, the user just has to input the correct service ID.

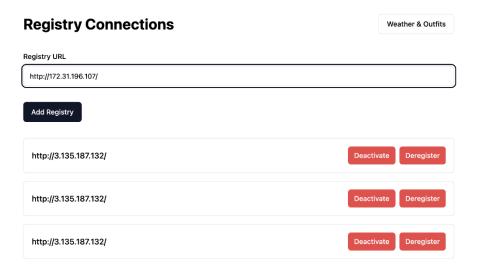
S-04



The user is presented with landing page that asks for city.

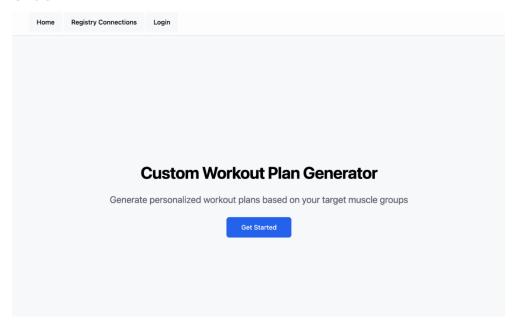


Given a city, the program will output the current weather and some outfit recommendations.

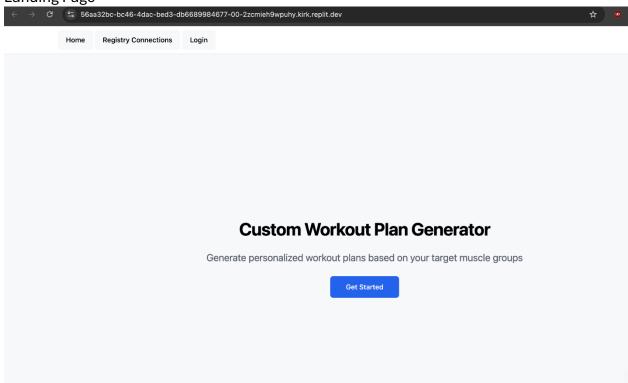


The registry connection page allows registration and deregistration of registry connections.

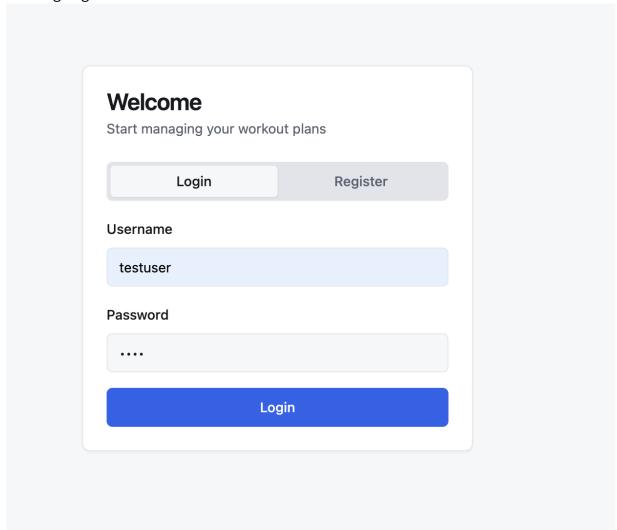
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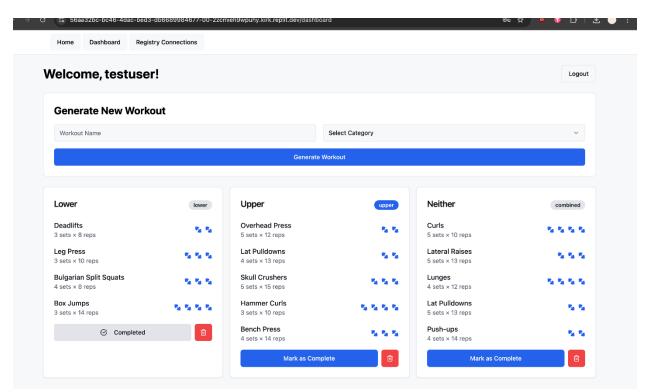
Landing Page



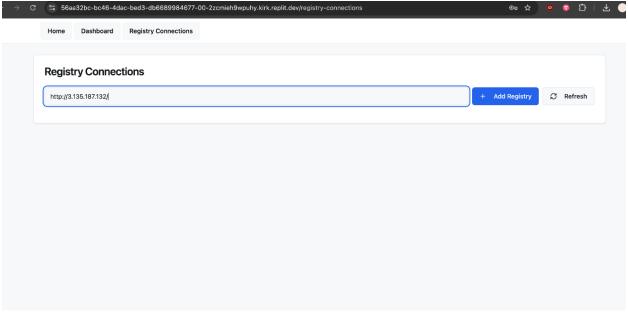
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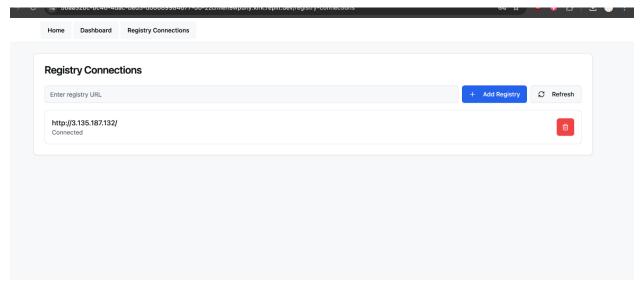
Login page



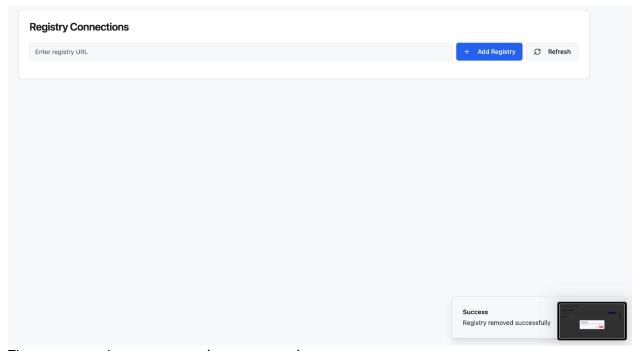
User can create new workout plans by entering a name and body section. A new plan is generated as output. Users can mark it as complete or delete the plan. These are all saved in a Postgres Database bundled with the program.



Registry Connections are a feature.



User can view all current connections to registries.



The user can also remove registry connections.

Appendix

Task Breakdown

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| Colin Brown | Registry & S-01, 02 Implementations, Architectural Diagrams, ASRs |
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| Xiaolin (Eric) Wang | AWS and MySQL Implementation, Registry improvements |
| Kaiyi Hou | Reports, S-03 Implementation |
| Le (Leon) Zhu | S-03, 04, 05 Implementation, PowerPoints, Reports |
| Zoe Kaute | Reports, Project Planning |

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