Marketplace Technical Foundation - [Car Rental Ecommerce Website]

1. System Architecture Overview

Architecture Diagram

Component Roles

- Frontend (Next.js): Displays the user interface (UI) for browsing cars, placing rentals, and managing payments. Handles user input and API calls.
- **Sanity CMS**: Manages car data, user information, and rental records. Acts as the central database.
- Third-Party APIs: Provides real-time updates for shipment tracking and other functionalities.
- Payment Gateway: Processes payments securely and returns transaction statuses.

2. Key Workflows

Workflow 1: Browsing Cars

- 1. User navigates to the homepage.
- 2. Frontend sends a GET request to /cars API endpoint.
- 3. Sanity CMS fetches the car data and returns it.
- 4. Frontend displays car listings dynamically.

Workflow 2: Renting a Car

- 1. User selects a car and provides rental details (e.g., duration, pickup/drop-off location).
- 2. Frontend sends a POST request to /rentals with rental data.
- 3. Sanity CMS stores the rental record and returns a confirmation response.

Workflow 3: Tracking Rental Status

- 1. User views rental details on their profile.
- 2. Frontend sends a GET request to /rentals/:orderId/status.
- 3. Third-party API fetches the status and returns it to the frontend.

3. Category-Specific Instructions

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Focus areas for rentals include:

- Rental Duration: Allow users to select and modify rental periods.
- Condition Reports: Enable condition tracking for cars before and after rentals.
- **Return Management**: Provide a smooth workflow for vehicle returns.

Example Schema Field:

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{
   "rentalDuration": "7 days",
   "depositAmount": 500,
   "conditionStatus": "Good"
}
```

4. API Endpoints

Endpoint	Method	Purpose	Response Example
/cars	GET	Fetches all available cars	{ "id": 123, "name": "Sedan X", "rentPerDay": 70 }
/cars/:id	GET	Fetches details of a specific car	<pre>{ "id": 123, "name": "Sedan X", "fuelCapacity": 40, "transmissionType": "Automatic" }</pre>
/rentals	POST	Creates a rental order	{ "orderId": "o456", "status": "Success" }
/rentals/:orderId	GET	Fetches rental details	<pre>{ "orderId": "o456", "status": "In Progress" }</pre>
/rentals/:orderId/status	∍ G ET	Tracks rental status	{ "status": "In Progress", "expectedDropoffDate": "2025-01-21" }
/payments	POST	Processes rental payments	{ "paymentId": "p789", "confirmation": "Success" }

5. Sanity Schema Example

Car Schema

Rental Schema

6. Technical Roadmap

Milestone	Details	Deadline
Create Sanity CMS Schemas	Implement schemas for cars, rentals, and users	Day 3
Develop Frontend UI	Build responsive pages for browsing and rentals	Day 4–5
Integrate APIs	Connect frontend with Sanity and third-party APIs	Day 5–6
Test System	Test all workflows end-to-end	Day 7