

Project Design Phase

Solution Architecture

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Solution Architecture:

This architecture illustrates how the MERN Movie App platform functions across the User, Cloud, and Admin networks:

- **Frontend (UI):** Built with React, users interact through a responsive web interface for both the movie dashboard (admin) and movie listing (user) apps. The UI is styled with Tailwind CSS for a modern and clean look.
- **Backend (API):** Developed using Node.js and Express.js, it handles communication between the frontend, MongoDB database, and external services like Cloudinary and email (Nodemailer).
- **Authentication:** Managed via JSON Web Tokens (JWT), ensuring secure, role-based access for both admins and users.
- **Data Services:** Central MongoDB database stores movie details, genres, user information, and watchlists. Mongoose is used for schema modeling.
- **Image Management:** Cloudinary is integrated for storing and serving movie posters and related images.

- **Email Service:** Nodemailer is used for sending password reset emails and OTP confirmations to users.
- **Admin Dashboard:** Allows admins to manage movies and genres, view analytics, and moderate content through a dedicated dashboard interface.
- **User Features:** Users can browse movies, filter by genre/rating, search, manage their watchlist, and handle authentication (register, login, password reset).
- **API Communication:** Axios is used in the frontend for making HTTP requests to the backend.
- **Security & CORS:** CORS is configured to allow secure communication between frontend and backend hosted on different domains. Passwords are securely hashed using Bcrypt.

Color-coded legends in the architecture diagram distinguish UI components, backend logic, data storage, image hosting, authentication, and email services for clarity.

Solution Architecture Diagram:

