

HACKATHON 3

Day 2 Assignment: Planning the Technical Foundation for the SHOP.CO General E-commerce store.

System Architecture

Frontend (Next.js)

- User-facing interface for the marketplace.
- Handles product browsing, cart functionality, and order placement.

Sanity CMS

- Centralized content management system for storing product data, user details, orders, and dynamic content (replacing the need for an additional database).

Third-Party APIs

- **Shipment Tracking API:** Fetches real-time shipping updates.
- **Email/SMS API:** Sends transactional notifications to users.

Payment Gateway

- Handles secure payment processing (e.g., Stripe, PayPal).

High-Level Data Flow

- **Frontend (Next.js):** User interacts with the UI, browsing products, adding to the cart, and placing orders.
- **Sanity CMS:** Handles the dynamic content, including product details, user data, and order history.
- **Third-Party APIs:** Manage external data like shipment tracking and email/SMS notifications.

- **Payment Gateway:** Processes payment and sends confirmation back to the frontend and CMS.

Key Workflows and Interactions

1. User Registration

- User submits registration details.
- Data is stored in Sanity CMS.
- Confirmation email is sent via Email API.

2. Product Browsing

- User selects a category and views products.
- Data is dynamically fetched from Sanity CMS.

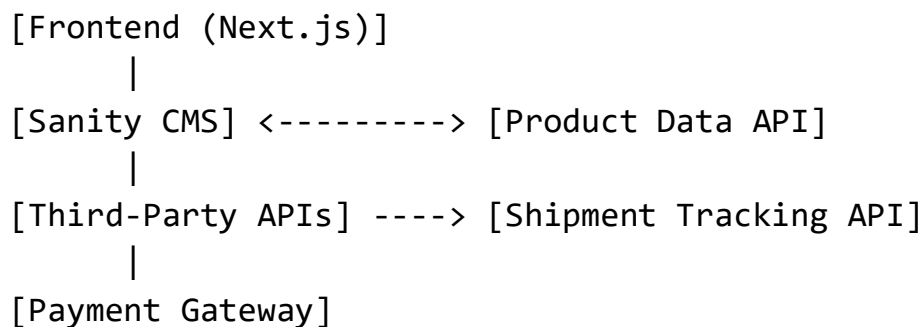
3. Order Placement

- User adds products to the cart and checks out.
- Order details are sent to Sanity CMS.
- Payment is processed via Payment Gateway.
- Order confirmation is saved in Sanity CMS.

4. Shipment Tracking

- The order tracking ID is sent to the Shipment Tracking API for real-time updates.

Example Architecture Diagram



Key Tools and APIs

Frontend (Next.js)

- **Next.js:** A framework for building server-rendered React applications. It helps in creating dynamic and static web pages with ease, providing features like routing, pre-rendering, and API routes.

- **Tailwind CSS:** A utility-first CSS framework that allows for rapid and responsive design. It helps to style the application by applying classes directly to HTML elements.

Sanity CMS

- **Sanity CMS:** A content management system that stores and manages all dynamic content for your site. It is used here as the **database** for your project. It manages product information, user data, and order history, which can be fetched and updated via APIs.

Third-Party APIs

- **Shipment Tracking API:** These APIs allow you to track the status of a shipment in real-time. Examples include:
 - **Shippo:** Provides shipment tracking, label generation, and shipping rate comparison.
 - **AfterShip:** Offers tracking services for various carriers, sending users automatic tracking updates.
- **Email/SMS API:** These APIs are used for sending notifications, such as order confirmations, shipping updates, and promotional messages:
 - **Twilio:** A cloud communication platform that allows for sending SMS, voice messages, and more.
 - **SendGrid:** A cloud-based email delivery service that helps send transactional and marketing emails, like registration confirmation and order receipts.

Payment Gateway

- **Payment Gateway:** These services process online payments securely by handling transactions between customers, merchants, and financial institutions:
 - **Stripe:** A popular payment processing platform for online businesses. It supports card payments, subscriptions, and more.
 - **PayPal:** A widely used payment service that allows users to make secure online payments via credit/debit cards or their PayPal accounts.
 - **Razorpay:** A payment gateway offering services like payment collection, refunds, and subscription handling for businesses.

1. Fetch All Available Products

- **Endpoint Name:** /products
- **Method:** GET
- **Description:** Fetch all available products from Sanity CMS.
- **Response Example:**

```
[
  {
    "id": 1,
    "name": "Product A",
    "price": 100,
    "stock": 50,
    "image": "https://example.com/images/product-a.jpg"
  },
  {
    "id": 2,
    "name": "Product B",
    "price": 200,
    "stock": 30,
    "image": "https://example.com/images/product-b.jpg"
  }
]
```

2. Create New Order

- **Endpoint Name:** /orders
- **Method:** POST
- **Description:** Create a new order in Sanity CMS.
- **Payload:**

```
{
  "customerId": 123,
  "products": [
    { "productId": 1, "quantity": 2 },
    { "productId": 2, "quantity": 1 }
  ],
  "paymentStatus": "Pending",
  "shippingAddress": "123 Main St, City, Country"
```

```
}
```

- **Response Example:**

```
{  
  "orderId": 456,  
  "status": "Order Created"  
}
```

3. Track Order Status

- **Endpoint Name:** /shipment
- **Method:** GET
- **Description:** Track order status via third-party Shipment Tracking API.
- **Response Example:**

```
{  
  "shipmentId": "789",  
  "orderId": 456,  
  "status": "In Transit",  
  "expectedDeliveryDate": "2025-01-20"  
}
```

4. User Registration (Optional)

- **Endpoint Name:** /register
- **Method:** POST
- **Description:** Register a new user and store their details.
- **Payload:**

```
{  
  "name": "John Doe",  
  "email": "john.doe@example.com",  
  "password": "password123"  
}
```

- **Response Example:**

json

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```
{
  "userId": 123,
  "status": "Registration Successful"
}
```

5. User Login (Optional)

- **Endpoint Name:** /login
- **Method:** POST
- **Description:** Authenticate user login.
- **Payload:**

```
{
  "email": "john.doe@example.com",
  "password": "password123"
}
```

- **Response Example:**

```
{
  "userId": 123,
  "status": "Login Successful",
  "token": "jwt-token"
}
```

6. Fetch Product Details (Optional)

- **Endpoint Name:** /products/{id}
- **Method:** GET
- **Description:** Fetch detailed information for a specific product.
- **Response Example:**

2. Key Workflows

- **User Registration:**
 - User enters registration details.

- Frontend sends a POST request to Sanity CMS (or optional database).
- User details are stored in Sanity CMS.
- A confirmation email is sent via the Email API.
- **Product Browsing:**
 - User selects a category.
 - Frontend sends a GET request to Sanity CMS for the category-specific products.
 - Products are displayed on the UI.
- **Order Placement:**
 - User adds products to the cart.
 - At checkout, order details are sent to Sanity CMS.
 - Payment is processed via the payment gateway (Stripe/PayPal).
 - Order confirmation is displayed and stored in Sanity CMS.
- **Shipment Tracking:**
 - The order tracking ID is passed to the Shipment Tracking API.
 - Shipment status is fetched and displayed in real time on the frontend.

```
{
  "id": 1,
  "name": "Product A",
  "price": 100,
  "description": "Detailed product description here.",
  "stock": 50,
  "image": "https://example.com/images/product-a.jpg"
}
```

General E-Commerce:

- **Product browsing, cart management, and order placement:** Standard workflows for browsing products, adding to the cart, and placing orders.
- **Example Endpoint:** /products to fetch all available products.

4. API Endpoints

Endpoint	Method	Purpose	Response Example
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/products	GET	Fetches all product details	{ "id": 1, "name": "Product A", "price": 100 }
/orders	POST	Creates a new order in Sanity CMS	{ "orderId": 456, "status": "Order Created" }
/shipment	GET	Track order status via third-party API	{ "shipmentId": "789", "status": "In Transit" }
/express-delivery-status	GET	Fetch real-time delivery status for perishable items	{ "orderId": 123, "status": "In Transit", "ETA": "15 mins" }