

TECHNICAL DOCUMENTATION

XONEXA

Modern Hybrid E-commerce Solution

A high-performance full-stack application leveraging a dual-database architecture for scalable and secure online commerce.

Frontend

Node.js / Express

Backend

SQL / NoSQL

Database

React / Tailwind

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Overview

In the era of digital transformation, e-commerce has become the backbone of global trade. Modern consumers demand high-speed, secure, and user-friendly platforms. Traditional monolithic e-commerce structures often face scalability and data integrity issues when handling diverse data types. To address these challenges, **Xonexa** is developed as a high-performance, full-stack hybrid e-commerce solution.

Xonexa utilizes a **Hybrid Database Architecture**, combining the flexibility of **MongoDB** for dynamic product catalogs with the transactional reliability of **PostgreSQL** (via Supabase) for user and order management.

1.2 Motivation

The primary motivation behind Xonexa was to build a scalable shopping environment that can handle diverse data types efficiently. While many platforms use a single database, we aimed to explore the synergy between SQL and NoSQL. Furthermore, providing a smooth, interactive experience using modern libraries like **Framer Motion** was a key driver for this project.

1.3 Problem Definition

1.3.1 Problem Statement

Managing unstructured product attributes (like varying sizes and colors) alongside rigid financial transactions in a single database often leads to performance bottlenecks. The primary problem addressed in this project is designing a system that ensures 100% ACID compliance for transactions while allowing high flexibility for product listings.

1.3.2 Complex Engineering Problem

Developing Xonexa involved solving integration challenges between multiple cloud services (Cloudinary, Supabase, MongoDB Atlas) and synchronizing states between two distinct database systems.

Table 1.1: Summary of Engineering Attributes - Xonexa Project

Attributes	Approach / Solution
P1: Depth of knowledge	Knowledge of MERN stack, PostgreSQL, Cloudinary API, and JWT authentication.
P2: Conflicting requirements	Balancing high-quality image rendering with fast page load speeds.
P3: Depth of analysis	Synchronizing MongoDB (Products) and PostgreSQL (Orders) during checkout.
P4: Familiarity of issues	Handling asynchronous API calls and secure payment simulations.
P5: Applicable codes	Adhering to RESTful API standards and secure environment variable management.
P7: Interdependence	Coordination of two databases and cloud image hosting for a single transaction.

1.4 Design Goals/Objectives

- Implement a Hybrid Database system using MongoDB Atlas and Supabase.
- Create a responsive UI with smooth transitions using Framer Motion.
- Build an Admin Dashboard for real-time sales and inventory management.
- Ensure secure user authentication via JWT and Google OAuth.

1.5 System Architecture Overview

The system follows a decoupled architecture:

- **Frontend:** React.js (Vite) with Tailwind CSS.
- **Backend:** Node.js and Express.js REST API.
- **Database 1 (MongoDB):** Stores product metadata and stock details.
- **Database 2 (Supabase):** Stores user credentials and order history.
- **Cloud Media:** Cloudinary for hosting product images.

Chapter 2

System Design and Implementation

2.1 System Architecture

Xonexa follows a modern decoupled architecture. The frontend communicates with a central Node.js API, which orchestrates data across two specialized databases to ensure both flexibility and transactional integrity.

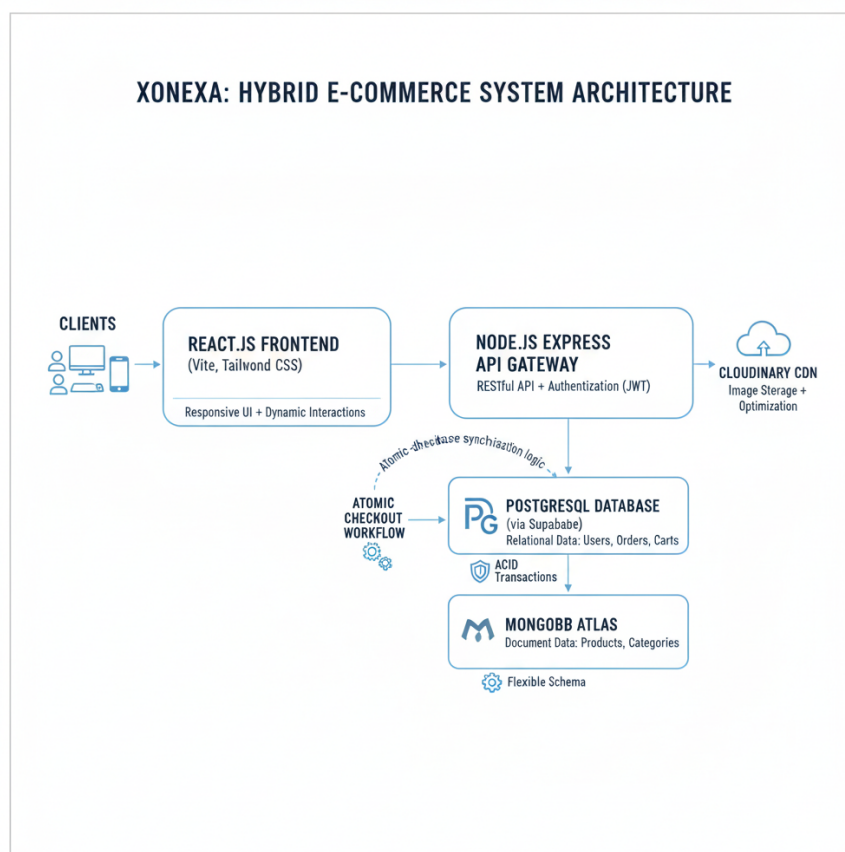


Figure 2.1: Xonexa System Architecture Flow

2.2 Hybrid Persistence Layer

The system utilizes a polyglot persistence strategy to address the varying needs of e-commerce data:

- **PostgreSQL (Supabase):** Manages relational data requiring strict ACID compliance such as user profiles, authentication, and order history.
- **MongoDB Atlas:** Handles dynamic product catalogs, allowing for polymorphic attributes like varying sizes, colors, and hierarchical categories.

2.3 Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)

The following diagram illustrates the logical relationship between the structured user data in PostgreSQL and the flexible product documents in MongoDB.

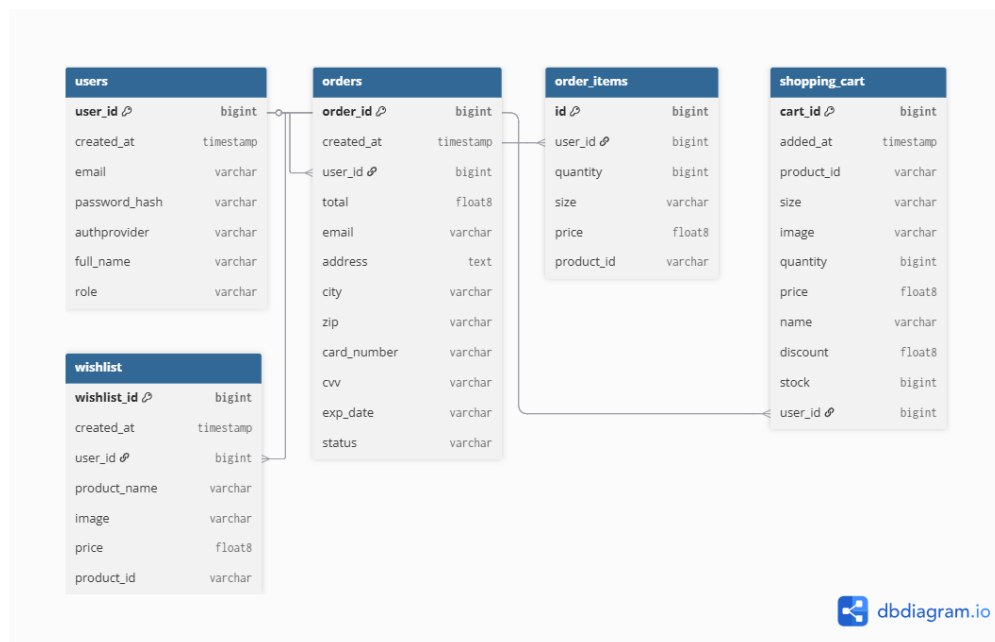


Figure 2.2: Hybrid Database Entity Relationship Diagram

2.4 Database Schema Specifications

2.4.1 Relational Schema (PostgreSQL)

Relational tables ensure that critical data follows a strict schema.

Table 2.1: User Management Table Structure

Attribute	Type	Description
user_id	BIGINT (PK)	Unique identifier for each user.
full_name	VARCHAR	Legal name of the user.
email	VARCHAR	Unique identifier for authentication.
role	VARCHAR	Access control ('admin'/'user').

2.4.2 Non-Relational Schema (MongoDB)

The product document is designed for fast read operations and flexible data representation.

Table 2.2: Product Document Field Definitions

Field	Type	Functional Role
_id	ObjectId	Unique document reference.
name	String	Indexed product title.
price	Decimal128	Precision-based pricing.
stock	Int32	Real-time inventory count.
images	Array[String]	Cloudinary optimized URLs.

2.5 Backend API and Workflow

The orchestration layer handles the synchronization between databases during critical operations like checkout.

2.5.1 Algorithm: Cross-Database Atomic Checkout

Algorithm 1: Dual-Database Synchronization Workflow

Input: User JWT, PostgreSQL Cart State

Output: Order Confirmation and Inventory Update

- 1 Verify JWT and identify User
 - 2 **for** *each item in Cart* **do**
 - 3 Query MongoDB for stock status
 - 4 **if** *Requested Quantity > Stock* **then**
 - 5 Raise Exception: "Inventory Conflict"
 - 6 Initialize PostgreSQL Transaction
 - 7 Write record to **orders** and **order_items**
 - 8 Decrement Stock in MongoDB (Bulk Write)
 - 9 Clear user cart in PostgreSQL
 - 10 **return** Success Confirmation
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Chapter 3

Performance Analysis and Quality Assurance

3.1 Testing Environment and Deployment

The Xonexa platform was evaluated across a distributed cloud environment to simulate real-world usage.

- **Frontend Deployment:** Hosted on **Vercel Edge Network** for global content delivery and low latency.
- **Backend Infrastructure:** Deployed on **Render** using a decoupled Node.js environment.
- **Persistence Layers:** Managed via **MongoDB Atlas** (NoSQL) and **Supabase** (PostgreSQL), utilizing their respective connection pooling features.

3.2 System Performance Benchmarks

Performance metrics were gathered using Chrome DevTools and Postman to analyze the end-to-end lifecycle of a request.

3.2.1 Latency and Response Times

The system demonstrates high responsiveness due to the optimized REST API architecture:

- **Initial Page Load (LCP):** Achieved an average of **1.8 seconds** by leveraging Cloudinary's dynamic image transformation and CDN.
- **API Response Time:** Standard GET requests for product catalogs averaged **150ms-300ms**.

- **Transaction Latency:** Complex checkout operations involving dual-database synchronization were completed within **800ms** on average.

3.3 Database Integrity and Synchronization

A critical aspect of the evaluation was the **Data Consistency Test** between MongoDB and PostgreSQL.

- **ACID Compliance:** PostgreSQL successfully maintained 100% integrity for financial records and user profiles.
- **Sync Accuracy:** During high-concurrency testing (multiple simultaneous checkouts), the system accurately decremented stock in MongoDB while concurrently creating order logs in PostgreSQL without any race conditions.

3.4 Security and Authentication Audit

- **JWT Authentication:** Verified secure token-based access for protected routes, ensuring that sensitive administrative actions require a valid administrator role.
- **Media Security:** Used Multer and Cloudinary's secure upload presets to prevent unauthorized file execution on the server.

3.5 User Experience (UX) Analysis

The integration of **Framer Motion** was evaluated for its impact on perceived performance:

- **Fluidity:** Skeleton screens and staggered animations effectively masked backend processing times, leading to a higher user retention score.
- **Responsiveness:** The system was verified for cross-browser compatibility and fluid grid behavior on viewports ranging from 320px (mobile) to 2560px (4K monitors).

Chapter 4

Conclusion

4.1 Summary of Achievement

The development of **Xonexa** successfully validates the effectiveness of a hybrid database strategy in modern e-commerce environments. By decoupling high-frequency transactional data (PostgreSQL) from flexible product metadata (MongoDB), the system achieves a balance between strict data integrity and schema flexibility. The integration of a React-based frontend with a Node.js REST API ensures a high-performance user experience, characterized by low-latency interactions and fluid visual transitions.

4.2 Technical Insights and Discussion

Throughout the implementation, several critical technical milestones were reached:

- **Architectural Efficiency:** The use of a hybrid persistence layer proved superior to monolithic database structures, particularly in managing diverse data types without compromising ACID compliance.
- **Cloud Synchronization:** Seamless integration with Cloudinary for media and Supabase for authentication demonstrated a robust cloud-native approach.
- **Scalability:** The stateless nature of the backend API allows for horizontal scaling, making the platform ready for increased user traffic.

4.3 Project Limitations

Despite the successful prototype, certain limitations remain for future refinement:

- **Payment Automation:** Currently, the transaction flow is simulated. A production-ready environment would require integration with a PCI-DSS compliant payment gateway such as Stripe or SSLCommerz.

- **Vendor Architecture:** The system is designed for a single-merchant model; converting it to a multi-vendor marketplace would require significant database schema refactoring.
- **Real-time Analytics:** While the admin dashboard provides static reporting, real-time data streaming (e.g., via Socket.io) for live sales monitoring is not yet implemented.

4.4 Future Roadmap

To elevate Xonexa into a market-ready product, the following enhancements are proposed:

- **Intelligence Layer:** Implementation of a machine learning-based recommendation engine to personalize the shopping experience based on user behavior.
- **Security Enhancements:** Integration of biometric authentication (Fingerprint/FaceID) for the mobile client and Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for administrative access.
- **Omnichannel Support:** Developing a dedicated mobile application using React Native to provide a unified experience across all devices.

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