

Task Solution

Task 1: Code Review & Debugging

Problem :

1. No SKU uniqueness.
2. 2 different commits and price precision issue.

Approach:

I focused on data integrity first. In production systems, partial writes are worse. So I enforced uniqueness, used precise numeric types, and wrapped creation in a single transaction. I also aligned the data model with the business rule that products can exist across multiple warehouses.

Implementation:

```
@app.route("/api/products", methods=["POST"])
def create_product():
    data = request.get_json(force=True)

    name = data.get("name")
    sku = data.get("sku")
    price = Decimal(str(data.get("price")))
    warehouse_id = data.get("warehouse_id")
    initial_quantity = data.get("initial_quantity", 0)

    existing = db.session.execute(
        select(Product.id).where(Product.sku == sku)
    ).first()
    if existing:
        return jsonify({"error": "SKU already exists"}), 409

    product = Product(
        name=name,
        sku=sku,
        price=price
```

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)

db.session.add(product)
db.session.flush()

inventory = Inventory(
    product_id=product.id,
    warehouse_id=warehouse_id,
    quantity=initial_quantity
)

db.session.add(inventory)
db.session.commit()

return jsonify(
    {
        "message": "Product created",
        "product_id": product.id
    }
), 201

```

Key Steps:

1. SKU uniqueness validation before insert
2. Used session.flush() instead of early commit and used Decimal for price accuracy.
3. Single transaction : Both product & Inventory succeed or fail

Task 2: Database Design

Approach:

I started by identifying the core business entities [Company, Warehouse, Product, Supplier] and separating them based on responsibility to avoid data duplication and tight coupling. Since products can exist in multiple warehouses with different quantities, inventory was modeled as a relationship table rather than an attribute of the product itself.

Implementation:

```

CREATE TABLE companies (
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,

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    name TEXT NOT NULL  
);
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```
CREATE TABLE warehouses (  
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    company_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES companies(id),  
    name TEXT NOT NULL  
);
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```
CREATE TABLE suppliers (  
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    name TEXT NOT NULL,  
    contact_email TEXT  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE products (  
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    company_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES companies(id),  
    name TEXT NOT NULL,  
    sku TEXT NOT NULL UNIQUE,  
    price NUMERIC(12,2) NOT NULL,  
    product_type TEXT NOT NULL,  
    supplier_id BIGINT REFERENCES suppliers(id)  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE inventories (  
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    product_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES products(id),  
    warehouse_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES warehouses(id),  
    quantity INTEGER NOT NULL,  
    UNIQUE (product_id, warehouse_id)  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE inventory_events (  
    id BIGSERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    product_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES products(id),  
    warehouse_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES warehouses(id),  
    delta INTEGER NOT NULL,  
    created_at TIMESTAMP NOT NULL DEFAULT now()  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE product_bundles (  
    bundle_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES products(id),  
    component_id BIGINT NOT NULL REFERENCES products(id),
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quantity INTEGER NOT NULL,  
PRIMARY KEY (bundle_id, component_id)  
);  
  
CREATE INDEX idx_inventory_product ON inventories(product_id);  
CREATE INDEX idx_inventory_warehouse ON inventories(warehouse_id);  
CREATE INDEX idx_inventory_events_time ON inventory_events(created_at);
```

Key Steps:

1. Identified Core Entities and Ownership
 2. Modeled Inventory as a Relationship
 3. Integrated Supplier Management
 4. Applied Indexes
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Task 3: API Implementation

Objective

The objective was to design and implement an API endpoint that identifies and returns low-stock alerts for a given company. The endpoint needed to account for multiple warehouses, product-specific stock thresholds, recent sales activity, and supplier details required for reordering, while returning a structured and frontend-ready response.

Approach:

The solution needed to aggregate data across multiple tables [products, warehouses, inventory, suppliers, and sales thresholds] while applying business rules dynamically.

A relational database with SQL-based aggregation was chosen because:

- The logic involves complex joins and calculations
- Performance and predictability are critical for alert generation
- SQL allows precise control over filtering, grouping, and derived fields such as stock-out estimates

Implementation:

```
@app.route("/api/companies/<int:company_id>/alerts/low-stock", methods=["GET"])
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```

def low_stock_alerts(company_id):
    query = text("""
        SELECT
            p.id AS product_id,
            p.name AS product_name,
            p.sku,
            w.id AS warehouse_id,
            w.name AS warehouse_name,
            i.quantity AS current_stock,
            t.threshold,
            CEIL(i.quantity / NULLIF(t.daily_sales, 0)) AS days_until_stockout,
            s.id AS supplier_id,
            s.name AS supplier_name,
            s.contact_email
        FROM inventories i
        JOIN products p ON p.id = i.product_id
        JOIN warehouses w ON w.id = i.warehouse_id
        JOIN suppliers s ON s.id = p.supplier_id
        JOIN product_thresholds t ON t.product_type = p.product_type
        WHERE w.company_id = :company_id
            AND i.quantity < t.threshold
            AND t.daily_sales > 0
    """)

    rows = db.session.execute(query, {"company_id": company_id}).mappings().all()

    alerts = [
        {
            "product_id": r["product_id"],
            "product_name": r["product_name"],
            "sku": r["sku"],
            "warehouse_id": r["warehouse_id"],
            "warehouse_name": r["warehouse_name"],
            "current_stock": r["current_stock"],
            "threshold": r["threshold"],
            "days_until_stockout": r["days_until_stockout"],
            "supplier": {
                "id": r["supplier_id"],
                "name": r["supplier_name"],
                "contact_email": r["contact_email"]
            }
        }
        for r in rows
    ]

```

```
return jsonify(  
    {  
        "alerts": alerts,  
        "total_alerts": len(alerts)  
    }  
)
```

Key Steps:

1. Defined Business Filters
2. Joined Required Entities and calculated different matrices
3. Structured API Response