

Project Name: DoConnect (Frontend in React, Backend in ASP.NET Core MVC)

Updated Problem Statement:

DoConnect is a Q&A platform where users can ask and answer questions related to various technical topics. The application has two types of users:

- **User**
- **Admin**

Tech Stack:

- **Frontend:** React
- **Backend:** ASP.NET Core MVC with Web API
- **Database:** SQL Server (using Entity Framework Core as ORM)
- **File Storage:** File upload functionality on the server
- **API Documentation:** Swagger for Web API
- **Notifications:** SignalR (optional for real-time notifications)

User Stories:

User Stories (User)

1. **User Authentication:**
As a user, I should be able to **log in**, **log out**, and **register** into the application.
2. **Ask Questions:**
As a user, I should be able to ask a question under any topic.
3. **Search Questions:**
As a user, I should be able to search for questions based on a search query.
4. **Answer Questions:**
As a user, I should be able to answer any question posted.
5. **Multiple Answers:**
As a user, I should be able to provide multiple answers to the same question.
6. **Image Upload:**
As a user, I should be able to upload images along with my question or answer.

Admin Stories

1. **Admin Authentication:**
As an admin, I should be able to **log in**, **log out**, and **register** into the application.
2. **Receive Notifications:**
As an admin, I should receive notifications when a new question is posted or an answer is given.

3. **Approve Questions & Answers:**

As an admin, I should be able to approve or reject questions and answers, making them visible on the platform only after approval.

4. **Moderate Content:**

As an admin, I should be able to delete inappropriate questions or answers.

System Requirements:

- **Frontend:** React-based UI for user interaction.
- **Backend:** ASP.NET Core MVC with Web API for business logic and data access.
- **ORM:** Entity Framework Core (EF Core) for database interactions.
- **Database:** SQL Server for storing user, question, and answer data.
- **Image Uploads:** Store uploaded images in a server-side folder.

Architecture Overview:

1. **Frontend (React):**

- User Interface for Users and Admin
- Consumes Web API for login, registration, questions, answers, and approvals
- Routing for User and Admin pages (React Router)
- Manage state using Context API or Redux

2. **Backend (ASP.NET Core MVC):**

- ASP.NET Core MVC with Web API endpoints for data exchange
- Entity Framework Core to handle database CRUD operations
- JWT Token Authentication for secure login/logout
- Web API endpoints to support user authentication, question, and answer management
- SignalR or Notification System for admin notifications

3. **Database (SQL Server):**

- Tables for **Users**, **Questions**, **Answers**, **Images**
- Relationships: One-to-Many between Users and Questions, Questions and Answers

4. **Image Upload:**

- Users can upload images, and these images are stored in a server directory
- File path references are stored in the database

5. **API Documentation:**

- Swagger UI for testing and documenting the Web API

Sprint Plan:

Sprint I:

Objectives:

1. **Use Case Document:**
Prepare use case documentation for all functionalities (login, question management, etc.).
2. **Database Schema Design:**
Define tables and relationships:
 - Users (UserId, Username, Password, Role)
 - Questions (QuestionId, UserId, QuestionTitle, QuestionText, Status)
 - Answers (AnswerId, QuestionId, UserId, AnswerText, Status)
 - Images (ImageId, ImagePath, QuestionId/AnswerId)
3. **Select ORM Tool:**
Use **Entity Framework Core (EF Core)** for database interactions.
4. **Backend Setup:**
 - Identify necessary controllers (UserController, QuestionController, AnswerController).
 - Create **ASP.NET Core MVC Views** (HTML templates) as placeholders for the frontend.

Deliverables:

- Use case document
 - Database schema (ERD and .sql script)
 - Static views in MVC for Questions, Answers, and Authentication
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Sprint II:

Objectives:

1. **Frontend Setup (React):**
 - Initialize a React app for the user and admin interfaces.
 - Implement routing for login, register, ask question, answer question, and admin approval pages.
2. **Backend Implementation (ASP.NET Core MVC):**
 - Implement **CRUD operations** for users (register, login, logout).
 - Implement user authentication with **JWT Tokens**.
 - Create the **DbContext** object using EF Core.
3. **API for Questions & Answers:**
 - Create Web API for CRUD operations on **Questions** and **Answers**.
 - Implement image upload functionality in the backend.
4. **Admin and User Pages:**
 - Design and implement the layout for user pages (React) and admin pages.
 - Connect the React frontend to the Web API (Axios or Fetch).

Deliverables:

- React components for user and admin UI
 - Web API endpoints for **Questions**, **Answers**, and **Images**
 - Working authentication for users and admin
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Sprint III:

Objectives:

1. **Search Functionality (API + Frontend):**
 - Develop the **search API** for questions based on query strings.
 - Integrate the search functionality into the React frontend.
2. **Admin Notifications:**
 - Implement notification system (optional: **SignalR**) for admins when a question or answer is added.
 - Display notifications on the admin dashboard.
3. **Admin Approval Workflow:**
 - Implement the approval workflow for questions and answers.
 - Only approved content should be visible to users.
4. **Swagger API Testing:**
 - Add **Swagger UI** for API documentation and testing.
5. **Final Integration:**
 - Ensure that all frontend components are correctly integrated with the backend API.
 - Test the entire system for any bugs or performance issues.

Deliverables:

- Search functionality in the API and frontend
 - Admin approval module with notifications
 - Swagger UI documentation for all Web API endpoints
 - Fully functional React frontend consuming ASP.NET Core MVC backend API
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Key Points for Implementation:

1. **Frontend:**
 - Use **React Router** for navigation between different views (login, register, ask question, etc.).
 - Manage API requests and responses using **Axios**.
 - State management using **Context API** or **Redux**.

2. **Backend:**

- Implement JWT-based authentication for secure user sessions.
- Use **Entity Framework Core** for database operations (CRUD).
- Create Web API endpoints for users, questions, and answers, and consume them in React.

3. **Image Uploads:**

- Handle image uploads in the backend using **IFormFile** in ASP.NET Core.
- Store file references in the database and serve them through the API.

4. **Admin Notifications (optional):**

- Implement **SignalR** for real-time notifications to admins.