

FoodTuck Project: Full Documentation (Days 1–7)

Overview

Food Tuck is a QCommerce platform designed to connect local restaurants and food vendors with customers, offering a seamless and secure online food ordering experience. Over the course of six days, the project progressed from conceptualizing ideas to successfully deploying a staging environment. Each day focused on specific tasks that contributed to the overall development of the platform.

Day 1: Conceptualization and Marketplace Design

Key Achievements:

- Defined the marketplace as a QCommerce platform for food delivery.

Business Goals:

- Empower local restaurants and small food vendors to expand their reach.
- Provide customers with a convenient and efficient way to discover and order food online.

Data Schema Design:

- Entities:** Food Items, Orders, Users, and Delivery Zones.
- Relationships:**
 - Users place orders that reference specific food items.
 - Delivery zones are assigned to riders for order fulfillment.

Day 2: Technical Planning

Key Achievements:

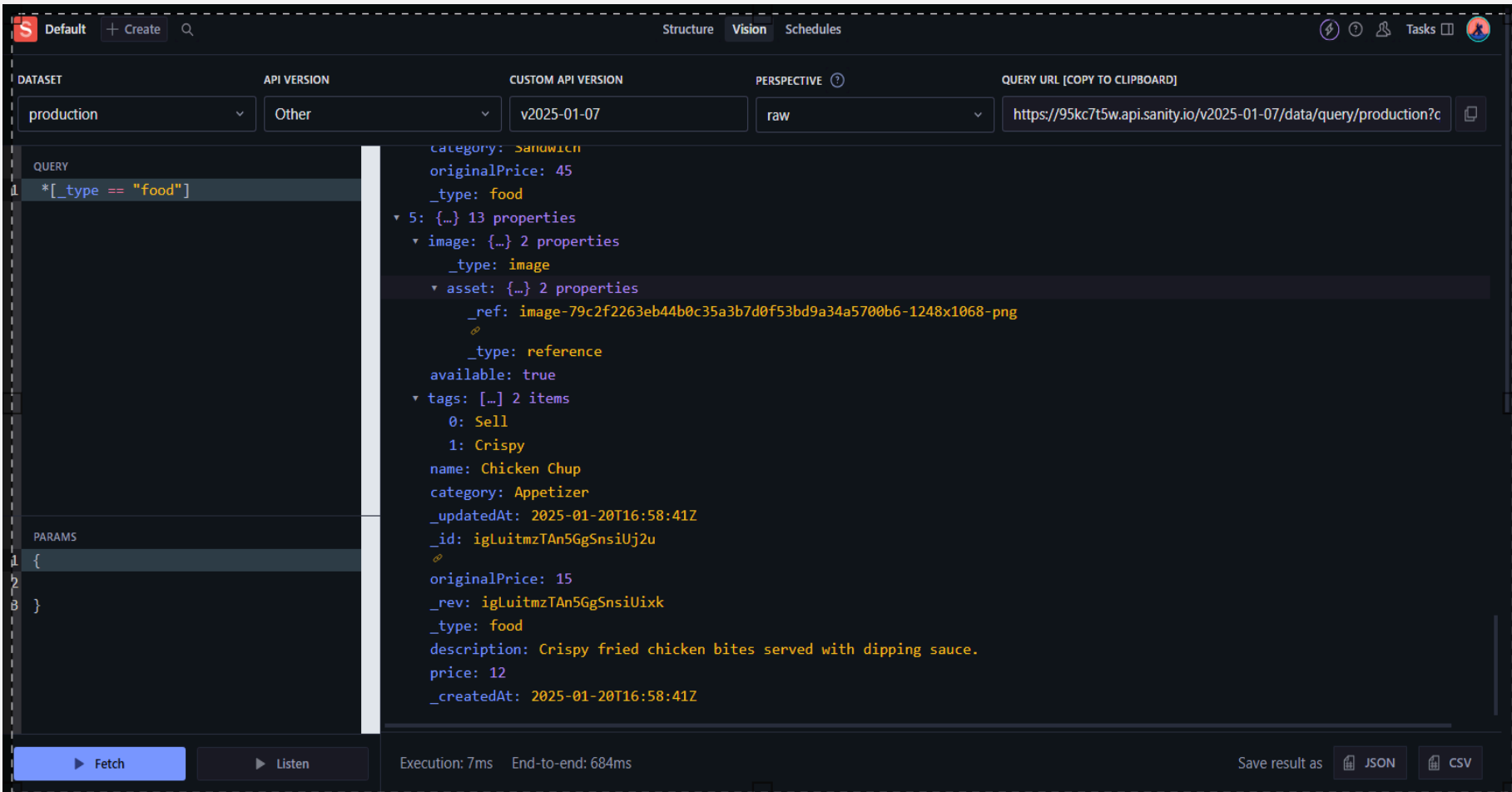
- Tech Stack:**
 - Frontend:** Next.js with Tailwind CSS for responsive and modern styling.
 - Backend:** Sanity CMS for efficient content and product management.
 - Database:** Firebase for real-time database management and secure user authentication.
 - APIs:** ShipEngine for order tracking and Stripe for seamless payment integration.
- API Requirements:**
 - User Management:** `/register`, `/login`, and `/verify-route` for user authentication and account management.
 - Product Management:** `/food-items`, `/food-item/:id` for adding, updating, and retrieving menu items.
 - Orders:** `/orders` (POST) for placing orders and `/delivery/:id` (GET) for tracking order status.
- Deployment Plan:**
 - Frontend:** Deployed on Vercel for fast, reliable hosting.
 - Backend:** Hosted on AWS Lambda using a serverless architecture for scalability and efficiency.

Day 3: Data Migration

Key Achievements:

- Custom Migration Code:**
 - Data from Sanity CMS was migrated to Next.js using GROQ queries. .
 - Example GROQ Query: `*[_type == "food"] {title, description, price, image}`.
- Schema Definition:**
 - Defined schema for **Food Items** with fields including:
 - Title:** Name of the food item.
 - Slug:** Unique identifier for each item.
 - Description:** Detailed information about the dish.
 - Price:** Cost of the food item.
 - Image:** Visual representation of the dish.
- Client Integration:**

Dynamically fetched and rendered food item data on the homepage using Next.js components, ensuring real-time updates and a smooth user experience.



Day 4: Building Dynamic Frontend Components

Key Achievements:

- **Dynamic Food Item Listings:**
 - Developed a `FoodList` component to dynamically display food items fetched from Firebase.
- **Filters and Sorting:**
 - Implemented filters for categories (e.g., appetizers, main course, desserts) and price ranges.
 - Added sorting options, including price (low to high, high to low) and popularity.
- **Reusable Components:**
 - **FoodCard:** Displayed food images, names, descriptions, and prices.
 - **FilterSidebar:** A sidebar to enable users to filter and sort food items seamlessly.
 - **PaginationControls:** Allowed navigation through large food item datasets efficiently.

Day 5: Testing and Backend Refinement

Key Achievements:

- **Testing Types:**
 - **Functional Testing:**
 - Ensured smooth workflows for food item listings, cart operations, and API integrations.
 - **Performance Testing:**
 - Analyzed page load speeds and responsiveness using Lighthouse for both desktop and mobile users.
 - **Security Testing:**
 - Validated user input fields, protected API keys, and ensured HTTPS implementation for secure communication.
- **CSV-Based Testing Report:**
 - Documented test cases, including scenarios, expected outcomes, actual results, and resolution statuses.
 - Used a structured table format to track all testing results efficiently.

• **CSV-Based Testing Report: Test Case Table**

Test Case ID	Test Case Description	Test Steps	ExpectedResult	Actual Result	Status	Severity level	Assigned To	Remarks
TC001	Validate product listing page	Open product page > Verify product	Products displayed correctly	Products displayed correctly	Passed	Low	-	Product listing is accurate and user-friendly.
TC002	Test API error handling	Disconnect API > Refresh page	Show fallback UI with error message	Error message shown	Passed	Medium	-	Error handling works seamlessly during failures.
TC003	Check cart functionality	Add product to cart > Verify cart contents	Cart updates with added product	Cart updates as expected	Passed	High	-	Cart functionality is robust and intuitive.
TC004	Ensure Responsiveness on mobile	Resize browser window > Check layout	Layout adjusts properly to screen size	Responsive layout working as intended	Passed	Medium	-	Design ensures consistency across devices.

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Day 6: Deployment Preparation and Staging Environment Setup

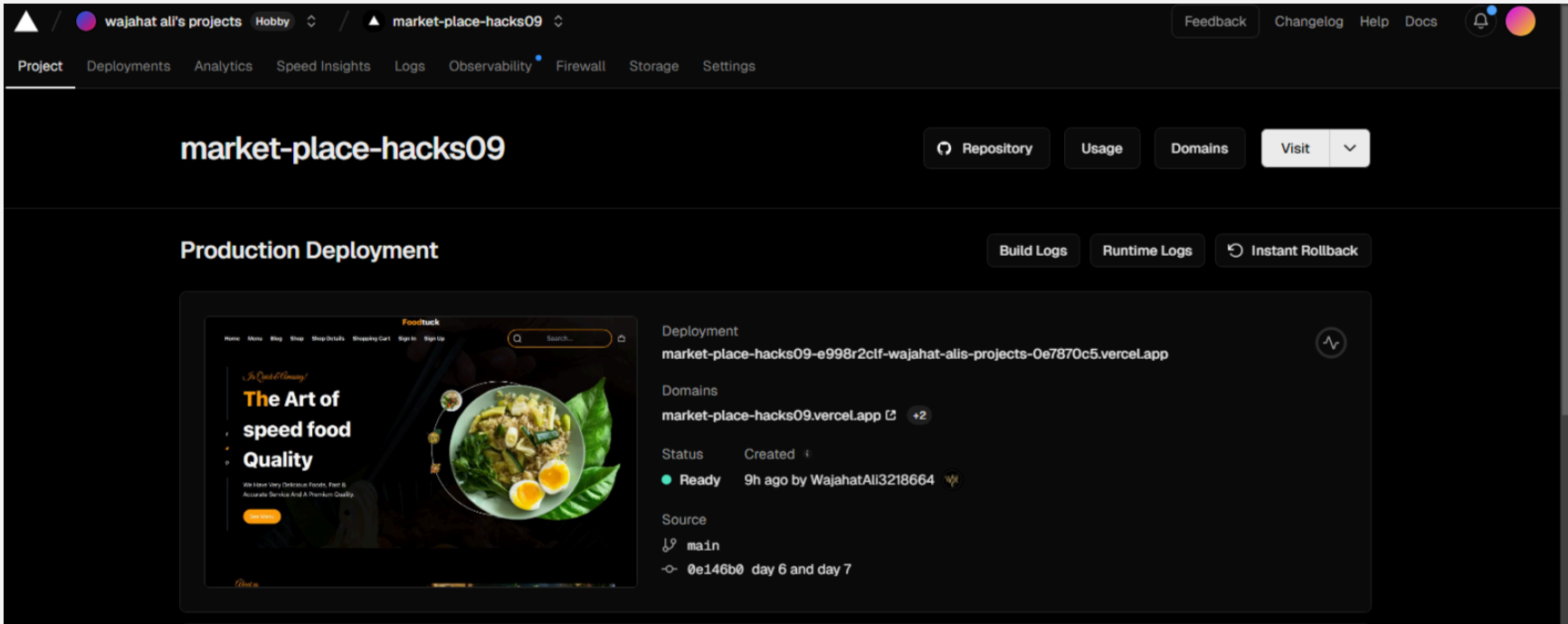
Key Achievements:

- **Deployment Strategy:**
 - Deployed the FoodTuck application on Vercel for fast and reliable hosting.
 - Integrated the GitHub repository to enable Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD).
- **Environment Variables:**
 - Configured sensitive variables, such as API keys, in a `.env` file for secure handling.
 - Uploaded the `.env` file securely to Vercel for deployment.

Example `.env` File:

```
NEXT_PUBLIC_SANITY_PROJECT_ID=your_project_id
NEXT_PUBLIC_SANITY_DATASET=production
SANITY_API_TOKEN=your_api_key
```

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- **Staging Environment:**
 - Deployed a staging build to simulate a production-like environment and validate app functionality.
- **Staging Testing:**
 - **Functional Testing:** Verified key workflows, including food item listings, cart operations, and checkout.
 - **Performance Testing:** Used GTmetrix to analyze loading speeds, responsiveness, and user experience.
 - **Security Testing:** Ensured HTTPS implementation, input validation, and secure API calls.

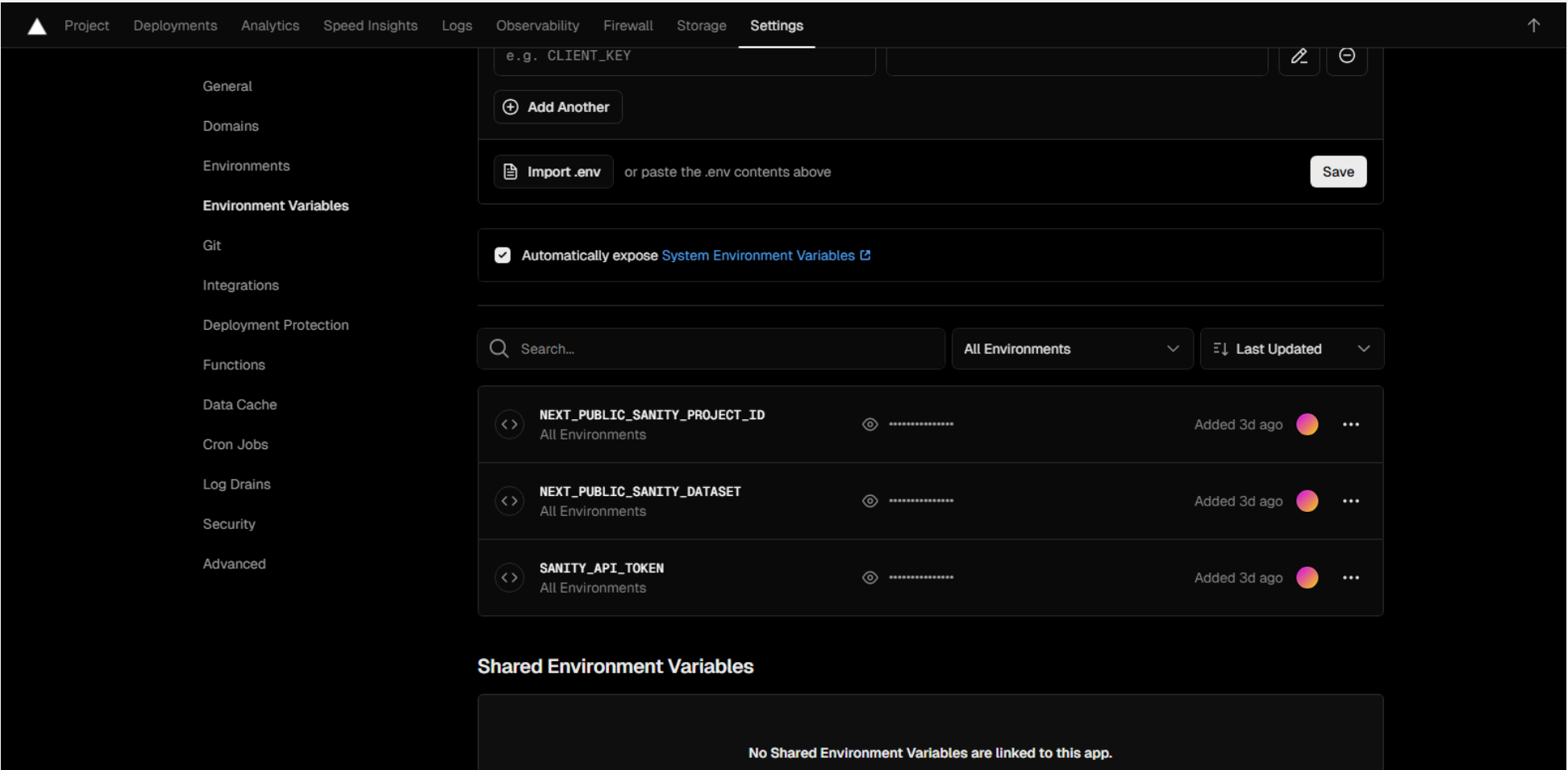


- **Documentation:**
 - Prepared a professional README.md file summarizing the project structure, setup instructions, and deployment steps.
 - Organized the GitHub repository into structured folders:
 - `src/`: Source code for the application.
 - `public/`: Static assets and images.
 - `documents/`: Deployment instructions, test reports, and project-related documents.

DAY 7 - LIVE DEPLOYMENT AND POST-LAUNCH

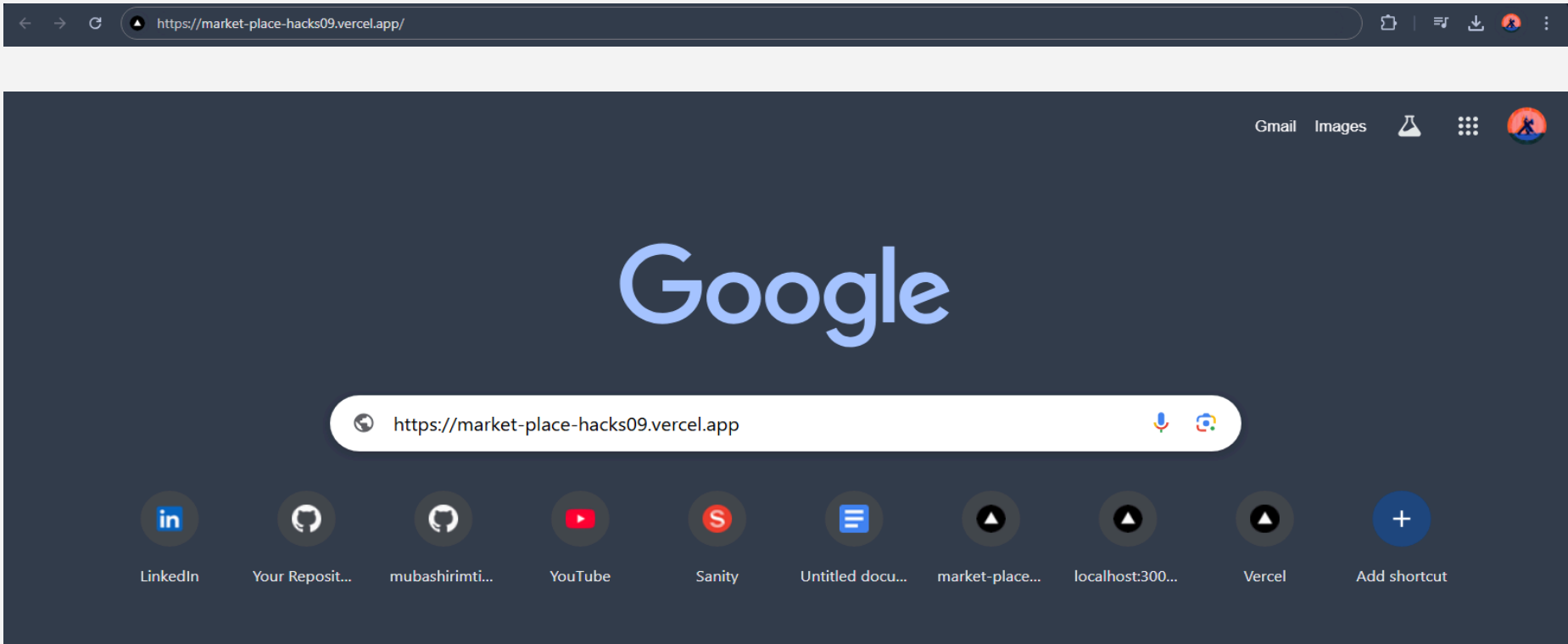
1: Environment Variables Securely Configure

- **Setup:** Store all sensitive information, such as API keys and database credentials, in a `.env` file.
- **Upload:** Securely configure these variables on platforms like **Vercel**, avoiding any hardcoding in the codebase.
- **Best Practice:** Ensure `.env` files are excluded from version control using `.gitignore`. This protects sensitive information during collaborative development.
- **Dynamic Retrieval:** Use environment variables dynamically in your application code to enhance flexibility and security.
- **Regular Updates:** Regularly review and rotate sensitive keys to prevent unauthorized access and mitigate potential risks.



2: SSL and HTTPS Enablement

- **Purpose:** Use **SSL/TLS** to encrypt traffic and ensure secure communication between the server and client.
- **Automatic Configuration:** Hosting platforms like **Vercel** automatically enable HTTPS for custom domains.
- **Verification:** Ensure all website URLs are **https://** enabled, providing user trust and preventing data interception.
- **Benefits:** Strengthens data privacy, enhances user confidence, and complies with security standards.



3: Codebase Security and Repository Management

- **Private Repositories:** Keep the production repository private to safeguard sensitive code and proprietary information.
- **Branch Organization:** Separate staging and production branches for clear workflow management:
 - Example: Use **main** for production and **staging** for testing environments.
- **Access Management:** Restrict access to the repository to authorized personnel only, with enforced **2FA** for added security.
- **Documentation:** Include deployment guides, rollback procedures, and repository usage instructions for future projects

GITHUB FOLDER STRUCTURE:

FOODTUCK

- ├─ .eslintrc.json
- ├─ Documentation/
 - ├─ Day-1/
 - └─ Day-1 Ecommerce MarketPlace Project Plan.pdf
 - ├─ Day-2/
 - ├─ ApiEndpoints.png
 - ├─ FOODTUCK DATA FLOW.png
 - ├─ Schema.pdf
 - ├─ System architecture.png
 - └─ roadmap.png
 - ├─ Day-3/
 - └─ Day 3 - API Integration Report for FoodTuck.pdf
 - ├─ Day-4/
 - └─ Day4-Dynamic Frontend Components.pdf
 - └─ Day-5/
 - └─ Day 5 Enhancing Backend Skills with Superior Testing and Debugging.pdf
- ├─ Lighthouse Report.pdf
- ├─ README.md
- ├─ Test Case Report.csv
- ├─ next.config.mjs
- ├─ package-lock.json
- ├─ package.json
- ├─ postcss.config.mjs
- ├─ public/
 - ├─ Arrow icon.png
 - ├─ beefburger.png
 - ├─ burger.png
 - ├─ chef/
 - ├─ chef-1.png
 - ├─ chef-2.png
 - └─ chef-3.png
 - ├─ food/
 - ├─ food-1.png
 - ├─ food-2.png
 - └─ food-3.png
 - └─ burgerfries.png
- ├─ sanity.cli.ts
- ├─ sanity.config.ts
- ├─ src/
 - ├─ app/
 - ├─ Blog/
 - └─ page.tsx
 - ├─ CheckoutPage/
 - └─ page.tsx
 - ├─ Components/
 - ├─ AboutUs/
 - └─ AboutUs.tsx
 - ├─ Banner/
 - └─ Banner.tsx
 - ├─ Footer/
 - └─ Footer.tsx
 - ├─ Navbar/
 - └─ Navbar.tsx
 - └─ WhyChooseUs/
 - └─ WhyChooseUs.tsx
 - ├─ Home/
 - └─ page.tsx
 - ├─ Products/
 - └─ page.tsx
 - ├─ ShoppingCart/
 - └─ page.tsx
 - ├─ SignUp/
 - └─ page.tsx
 - └─ layout.tsx
 - ├─ data/
 - ├─ chef.json
 - └─ food.json
 - ├─ sanity/
 - ├─ schemaTypes/
 - ├─ chefs.ts
 - ├─ foods.ts
 - └─ index.ts
 - └─ lib/
 - ├─ client.ts
 - └─ image.ts
 - └─ sentry.config.js
- ├─ tailwind.config.ts
- └─ tsconfig.json

5: Monitoring and Analytics Tools

- **Analytics:** Set up Google Analytics to track user interactions, session durations, and traffic sources.
- **Error Tracking:** Integrate Sentry for real-time error reporting and debugging insights.

Installation Command:

```
npm install @sentry/nextjs
```

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- **Performance Monitoring:** Use tools like Pingdom or UptimeRobot to monitor site uptime and detect performance issues proactively.
- **Continuous Updates:** Regularly analyze data from these tools to implement improvements and maintain system stability.

Conclusion

Over the six days, the FoodTuck Marketplace project evolved from initial conceptualization to a fully functional staging deployment. With a meticulously organized GitHub repository, dynamic frontend components, and thorough testing protocols, the platform is now primed for live deployment in a production environment.

Next Steps:

1. Resolve any outstanding issues identified during staging tests to ensure a flawless user experience.
2. Monitor the live environment to gather user feedback and evaluate performance metrics.
3. Strategically scale the platform by incorporating advanced features such as multi-language support and predictive analytics for personalized recommendations.

This milestone marks the successful culmination of the FoodTuck Marketplace Hackathon project, setting the foundation for future growth and innovation! 🚀🎉

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Journey:

Share Your Experience:
(Long Answer - Describe your challenges, learnings, and any suggestions for improvement.)

Challenges Faced:

- 1. Managing dynamic product data with real-time platform updates
- 2. Balancing SSR for SEO with page load performance
- 3. Implementing secure user authentication and session management
- 4. Ensuring smooth third-party payment gateway integration
- 5. Handling scalability during peak traffic periods

Learnings:

- 1. Breaking down application into reusable components improved maintainability
- 2. Using Redux/Sanity API streamlined state management
- 3. Implementing CI/CD pipelines ensured smooth deployments

Suggestions for Improvement:

- 1. Adopt GraphQL to fetch specific data and reduce over-fetching
- 2. Enhance user experience through AI-based product recommendations