

Workshop No. 1

Databases II

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1. Business Model

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Key Partners

- Weather data providers (OpenWeather, Copernicus, IDEAM).
- Manufacturers and distributors of IoT sensors for agricultural use.
- Ministries of Agriculture, government agencies and NGOs that promote sustainable practices.
- Universities and climate and agricultural research institutes, which provide knowledge and scientific validation.
- Payment platforms and rural banking entities, which facilitate payments and subsidies.
- Agricultural input distributors that could partner for integrated offers.



Key Activities

- Design and management of weather forecasting and advisory services, adapted to different agricultural profiles.
- Execution of awareness and technology adoption campaigns in rural areas.
- Management of strategic relationships with governments, cooperatives, NGOs and agricultural associations.
- Technical support: development and maintenance of the digital system to offer the service.

Key Resources

- Network of strategic alliances with actors in the agricultural and climate sector.
- Access to reliable databases and satellite coverage.
- Supporting resource:
- Al and machine learning engine trained on historical and real-time data.
- Distributed databases and data ingestion systems such as Kafka, Kinesis, BigQuery, etc.

Value Propositions

For farmers:

- Accurate and actionable recommendations based on local climate predictions.
- Reduction of losses due to extreme events such as drought, frost or excessive rainfall.
- Optimization of the use of resources such as water and fertilizers.
- Ease of use, even without technical training.

For institutions and companies:

- Access to regional data and reports for agro-climatic decision making.
- Tools for planning subsidies, agricultural insurance and technical support.
- Improved public policies and agroclimatic disaster mitigation.



Customer Relationships

- Multichannel technical assistance (chat, telephone, mail) for rural users with limited connectivity.
- Training and support in the adoption of the platform, especially in areas with low digitalization.
- Automated and personalized alerts, without the need for constant interaction.

Channels

- Web platform accessible in rural areas with low connectivity.
- API access for institutions wishing to connect their agricultural management systems.
- Institutional partners (agricultural agencies, cooperatives) as implementation and support channels.

Customer Segments

Individual users:

- Small and medium farmers interested in protecting their crops.
- Technified producers who integrate IoT in their agricultural management.

Institutional customers:

- Regional and national governments that manage climate risks in the agricultural sector.
- Agribusiness companies seeking to optimize production and climate logistics.



Cost Structure

- Operation of alliances, training and customer service in the territory.
- Access and processing of climate and satellite data.
- Marketing, campaigns and community training.
- Investment in continuous improvement of the regional recommendation and adaptation model.
- Technical support: maintenance and technological operation costs servers, cloud, support.

Revenue Streams

- Monthly or annual subscription of farmers, with staggered plans according to needs.
- Institutional licenses for local or national governments.
- Additional services (consulting, premium data, risk maps).
- Freemium model with free basic functionalities and advanced paid plans.
- Alliances with insurance companies or input companies, which sponsor access to the service.



Functional Requirements

Number	Requirement	Description	Priority
FR1	User registration	Allow registration of farmers, technicians and managers via email or federated authentication (Google, Microsoft).	High
FR2	Authentication and roles	Provide secure login with role-based access control to customize visible functionality based on user type.	High
FR3	Continuous data ingestion	Integrate data from open weather sources in real time using tools such as Kafka or AWS Kinesis.	High
FR4	Distributed storage	Store weather and agricultural data on a distributed, globally accessible basis with minimal latency.	High
FR5	Weather data queries	Allow users to visualize real-time and historical information about weather conditions in their area.	High
FR6	Predictive analytics	Run machine learning models to predict climate risks such as drought, frost or heavy rainfall.	High
FR7	Customized recommendations	Issue intelligent suggestions for planting, irrigation or fertilization based on microclimates and analyzed data.	Media
FR8	Report generation	Produce customized reports for agricultural and governmental decision makers.	Media
FR9	Administrative panel	Enable user managemen general system statistics by the administrator.	High

No Functional Requirements

Number	Requirement	Description	Priority
NFR1	Performance	Process queries with a maximum latency of 5 seconds for weather searches and predictions in agricultural areas.	High

NFR2	Horizontal scalability	Allow adding nodes to handle large volumes of data and increase the number of concurrent users.	High
NFR3	High availability	Guarantee 99.9% uptime with failover and automatic failover mechanisms.	High
NFR4	Multi-location access	Allow access from multiple geographic regions with minimal load times through the use of CDNs or distributed clusters.	Media
NFR5	Interoperability	Integrate with third-party APIs such as OpenWeather and Copernicus, as well as IoT devices using standard protocols.	Media
NFR6	Usability	Design a responsive, intuitive and fast web interface, accessible from different devices with low response times.	Media
NFR7	Maintainability	Have a modular and well-documented architecture that facilitates system upgrades, corrections and scaling.	Media

User Stories (Client Role)

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Register as a Client	High	3

User Story:

As a client, I want to register using my email account so that I can access climate data and receive tailored recommendations.

Acceptance Criteria:

- The system allows registration via email, Google, or Microsoft.
- Client role is assigned automatically upon successful registration.
- A confirmation email is sent upon account creation.

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
View Local Weather Conditions	High	4

User Story:

As a client, I want to view real-time and historical weather data for my region so that I can plan activities effectively.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Weather data is displayed for the client's location.
- Data includes temperature, humidity, precipitation, and forecast.
- A time filter (e.g., last 7 days, 1 month) is available.

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Receive Weather Alerts	High	4

User Story:

As a client, I want to receive automatic alerts for upcoming extreme weather events in my area so that I can take preventive actions.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Alerts are triggered based on predictive models.
- Alerts are sent via email and displayed in the user dashboard.
- Each alert includes event type, severity, estimated time, and recommendations.

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Access Historical Recommendations	Medium	3

User Story:

As a client, I want to view past recommendations and actions taken so I can evaluate their effectiveness over time.

Acceptance Criteria:

- A history tab shows all past recommendations received.
- Each entry includes date, context, and whether the advice was followed.
- The user can filter history by date range or type (irrigation, fertilization, etc.).

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Receive Farming Recommendations	Medium	5

User Story:

As a client, I want to receive personalized recommendations based on weather predictions and soil conditions so I can optimize my crop yield.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Recommendations are shown on the dashboard.
- Data includes suggestions on irrigation, fertilization, and planting.
- Alerts are sent for critical weather risks (e.g., frost, drought).

User Stories (Analyst)

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Access and Analyze Climate Data	High	4

User Story:

As an analyst, I want to access real-time and historical climate data from all monitored stations so I can analyze environmental trends.

Acceptance Criteria:

- A dashboard shows station data in real time.
- Filters allow data segmentation by location and date.

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Generate Analytical Reports	Medium	3

User Story:

As an analyst, I want to generate reports about climate conditions and risk trends to support decision-making for stakeholders.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Reports can be generated monthly or weekly.
- Data visualizations (charts, graphs) are included.

User Stories (Administrator)

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Manage Users and Roles	High	3

User Story:

As an administrator, I want to manage user accounts and assign roles so that access control is enforced throughout the platform.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Admin dashboard lists all users with filters by role.
- Roles can be assigned or changed.
- User accounts can be deactivated or deleted.

Title:	Priority:	Estimate:
Audit User Activity Logs	Medium	4

User Story:

As an administrator, I want to access logs of user activities so I can ensure compliance and investigate anomalies.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Logs include login times, data access, configuration changes.
- Filters by user, date, and activity type are available.
- Logs can be exported in CSV format.

Initial Database Architecture

To propose a robust and scalable initial database architecture for AgroClima, considering the requirements for big data and distributed databases, it is essential to design a system capable of handling large volumes of geospatial and time-series data from various sources. The platform must support continuous data ingestion, efficient processing to generate real-time alerts, the generation of historical reports, and the execution of complex models for climate and agricultural predictions.

1. Data Sources:

- External APIs: Integration with global providers such as OpenWeather, OpenMeteo and NOAA
- Historical Climate Data: Retrospective datasets from various sources for trend analysis and model training.

2. Data Ingestion Layer:

This layer is responsible for collecting data from diverse sources, which can vary in format, velocity, and structure. Given the big data nature, a scalable and fault-tolerant ingestion system is required.

- Apache Kafka or Amazon Kinesis: For ingesting real-time and streaming data from weather stations. They allow decoupling data sources from processing systems.
- ETL Tools: For processing data in batches from historical files, climate models, or satellite imagery. Examples: Apache NiFi, Talend, or cloud services like AWS Glue or Google Cloud Dataflow.

3. Distributed Data Storage Layer:

This layer is the responsible to storage all the information, information both raw and already processed for use, to handle the diversity and volume of data, a combination of distributed databases is proposed, each optimized for different data types

- Data Lake: To store raw data from various sources before being processed and refined.
 - Technologies: Apache Hadoop HDFS, Amazon S3, Google Cloud Storage, Azure Data Lake Storage. They provide scalable and cost-effective storage.
- Distributed Storage: Processed data will be stored in a distributed database such as Apache Cassandra, Google Bigtable, or Amazon DynamoDB.

4. Distributed Data Processing Layer:

This layer is responsible for transforming, analyzing, and deriving valuable information from the stored data, supporting both real-time and batch processing.

Technologies: Apache Spark / Apache Flink:

- Handles both batch and stream processing.
- Cleans, transforms, and prepares data for storage and analysis.

5. Serving and Application Layer:

This layer interacts directly with end-users (logistics and agricultural companies), providing access to alerts, reports, and predictions through a user interface or APIs.

- Serving Database: Databases optimized for fast and concurrent reads by the application.
 These can be materialized views or aggregations of processed data.
 - Suggested Technologies: Relational databases (PostgreSQL, MySQL) for structured data like reports and user profiles, and key-value or document NoSQL databases for fast access data (Redis, MongoDB).
- API Services: To expose platform functionalities to external applications or the user interface.

6. Access and API Layer REST and GraphQL APIs:

Serve data securely to mobile and web clients. Provide modular endpoints for different user roles (farmers, analysts, admins). The Access and API Layer in AgroClima provides secure and scalable interaction between the platform's backend and its user-facing applications. Using REST and GraphQL APIs, the system exposes modular and role-specific endpoints that allow farmers, analysts, and administrators to access data and services tailored to their needs.

ER Diagram (Initial Version)

Below is a description of each entity, with its respective attributes, for the initial version of the ER (Entity-Relationship) diagram for the AgroClima project.

User

Description: Represents the individuals registered in the AgroClima platform. Users may have different roles such as farmers, analysts, or administrators and are the recipients of climate alerts and predictions.

Attributes:

- user id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the user.
- user name (VARCHAR(50)): Full name of the user.
- email (VARCHAR(100), UNIQUE): Email address used for login and notifications.
- role (VARCHAR(50)): User role (e.g., Farmer, Analyst, Admin).
- password hash (VARCHAR(50)): Encrypted password for authentication.

Alert

Description: Stores records of alerts sent to users when a relevant climate event is predicted. Alerts are based on predictions generated by the system.

Attributes:

- alert_id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the alert.
- user id (INT, FK): User who receives the alert.
- prediction id (INT, FK): Prediction that triggered the alert.
- timestamp_sent (DATETIME): Date and time the alert was sent.
- status (VARCHAR): Status of the alert (e.g., Sent, Acknowledged, Dismissed).

Prediction

Description: Stores the results generated by machine learning models that predict extreme weather events that may affect specific locations.

Attributes:

- prediction id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the prediction.
- timestamp (DATETIME): Date and time the prediction was generated.
- event_type_id (INT, FK): Type of event predicted (e.g., drought, flood).
- probability (DECIMAL): Estimated probability of occurrence (%).
- severity level id (INT, FK): Estimated severity level of the event.
- model_id (INT, FK): ID of the model used to generate the prediction.

Event_type

Description: Defines the types of weather events that the system can predict.

Attributes:

- event_type_id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the event type.
- evet_name (VARCHAR(100)): Name of the event (e.g., Flood, Heatwave).
- event description (VARCHAR(200)): Description of the event type.

Severity_level

Description: Categorizes the severity level of a predicted event, helping to prioritize alerts and responses.

Attributes:

- severity level id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the severity level.
- severity_type (VARCHAR(50)): Name of the severity level (e.g., Low, Medium, High).
- level_description (VARCHAR(200)): Description of the severity level.

Model

Description: Contains metadata about the predictive models used by AgroClima, including versioning and training information.

Attributes:

- model id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the model.
- model name (VARCHAR(100)): Descriptive name of the model.
- version (DECIMAL): Version number of the model.
- training_timestamp (DATETIME): Date and time of the model's last training.

Weather_Station

Description: Represents the weather stations (physical or virtual) that collect meteorological data used by the system to feed predictions.

Attributes:

- station_id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the station.
- name (VARCHAR(100)): Name or code of the weather station.
- location_id (INT, FK): Reference to the location where the station is situated.

Weather Data

Description: Stores individual weather readings collected by a weather station at a specific timestamp. These readings are key inputs for generating predictions.

Attributes:

- data_id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the data entry.
- station id (INT, FK): Weather station that generated the data.
- timestamp (DATETIME): Date and time of the reading.
- temperature (FLOAT): Temperature reading (°C).
- humidity (FLOAT): Relative humidity (%).
- wind_speed (FLOAT): Wind speed (km/h or m/s).

Location

Description: Represents geographic locations associated with weather stations or prediction areas. Enables spatial organization of environmental data.

Attributes:

- location id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the location.
- name (VARCHAR(100)): Name of the location (e.g., city, region).
- latitude (DECIMAL): Latitude coordinate.
- longitude (DECIMAL): Longitude coordinate.
- type (VARCHAR(100)): Type of location (e.g., Station, Critical Zone, Rural Area).

Agriculture_field

Description: Represents a physical agricultural field owned or managed by a user. Each field is geolocated and can be associated with one or more crops. This entity allows AgroClima to tailor predictions and recommendations to specific land plots.

Attributes:

- field_id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the agricultural field.
- user_id (INT, FK): Reference to the user (farmer) who owns or manages the field.
- field_type (INT): Type or classification of the field (e.g., irrigated, rainfed, greenhouse).

Crop

Description: Stores the crops cultivated in each agricultural field. This allows the platform to provide crop-specific recommendations and monitor weather impacts on individual crop types.

Attributes:

- crop_id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the crop record.
- field_id (INT, FK): Field where the crop is grown.
- crop_name (VARCHAR(200)): Name of the crop (e.g., maize, rice, coffee).

Recommendation

Description: Stores system-generated recommendations based on predictions and field conditions. These are delivered to farmers to support agricultural decisions such as irrigation, fertilization, or harvesting.

Attributes:

- recommend id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the recommendation.
- recommend descrip (VARCHAR(300)): Description of the recommendation.
- prediction id (INT, FK): Reference to the prediction that triggered the recommendation.

Data_source

Description: Defines the external or internal sources of meteorological data used in the system. This allows tracking of data provenance and managing integration with third-party APIs.

Attributes:

- source id (INT, PK): Unique identifier of the data source.
- name (VARCHAR(100)): Name of the source (e.g., OpenWeather, Copernicus).
- type (VARCHAR(50)): Type of source (e.g., API, physical station).
- url (VARCHAR(100)): URL or endpoint of the data source.

Weather_data_source

Description: This is an associative entity that links weather stations to their corresponding data sources. It allows tracking of when a station began using a specific data source.

Attributes:

- station_id (INT, FK): Reference to the weather station.
- source id (INT, FK): Reference to the data source.
- start_date (DATETIME): Date when this data source started being used for the station.

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