

## Architecture & Design

This document provides a high-level overview of the **AgentX Chatbot Platform**'s technical architecture, data flow, and key design principles.

### Tech Stack

- **Frontend:** React (Vite), Tailwind CSS, React Router.
- **Backend:** Node.js, Express.js.
- **Database:** MongoDB (Atlas).
- **AI/LLM:** OpenRouter API (Accessing various models like Claude, GPT).
- **File Processing:** Multer (In-memory), pdf-parse.
- **Authentication:** JWT (JSON Web Tokens).

### High-Level Architecture

```
graph TD
    User((User))
    subgraph "Frontend (Vercel)"
        React[React SPA]
        Axios[Axios Client]
    end
    subgraph "Backend (Render)"
        Express[Express Server]
        Auth[Auth Middleware]
        Multer[File Processor]
    end
    subgraph "External"
        Mongo[(MongoDB Atlas)]
        OR[OpenRouter API]
    end

    User <--> React
    React <--> Axios
    Axios <--> Express
    Express <--> Auth
    Express <--> Mongo
    Express <--> OR
    Express <--> Multer
```

### Core Data Flows

#### 1. Authentication

1. User submits credentials (Login/Register).
2. Backend validates via MongoDB and signs a **JWT**.
3. Frontend stores JWT in `localStorage`.
4. All subsequent API calls include the JWT in the `Authorization` header.

#### 2. Knowledge Base (RAG Implementation)

1. User uploads a PDF/Text file.
2. Backend extracts raw text using `pdf-parse` .
3. Extracted text is stored directly in the `File` collection in MongoDB, linked to a specific `Project` .
4. During chat, the backend fetches all file content associated with the project.
5. This content is injected into the **System Prompt** as context before sending the request to **OpenRouter**.

### 3. Chat Workflow

- **Prompting:** Users can define specific "System Prompts" for their agents.
- **Context Injection:** The platform combines User Message + Project Files + Active Prompt title/content.
- **Streaming (Future):** Currently uses standard JSON responses; streaming is planned for future versions.

### Key Design Decisions

- **Security:** Password hashing using `bcryptjs` and session management via JWT.
- **Simplicity:** No complex vector database (Pinecone/Milvus) is used for now. Files are processed "on-the-fly" and injected into prompt context to keep the project lightweight and easy to deploy.
- **Responsiveness:** Mobile-first design using Tailwind CSS utility classes and a custom drawer navigation.

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