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Abstract

This project, titled “E-Mall”, presents a feature-rich, full-stack e-commerce web application designed to deliver a seamless, secure, and scalable online shopping experience. As digital commerce continues to reshape the global marketplace, E-Mall offers a modern solution tailored for both consumers and administrators.

Built on the robust MERN (MongoDB, Express.js, React, Node.js) stack, the platform integrates essential functionalities including user authentication, product catalog browsing, shopping cart management, and a dynamic checkout process. The application employs JWT-based authentication for security, Redux for state management, and Tailwind CSS for a responsive and intuitive user interface.

Admin-level users benefit from a comprehensive dashboard to manage products, orders, and customer data, while customers enjoy real-time cart updates, product filtering, and a streamlined purchasing workflow. Media handling is optimized using Cloudinary, and the application is cloud-deployed via Vercel for high availability and performance.

Through thorough development and testing, E-Mall demonstrates how scalable web technologies can be used to build powerful, user-centric e-commerce solutions. The project sets the groundwork for future enhancements such as integrated payment gateways, user analytics, and recommendation systems, contributing meaningfully to the advancement of modern online retail experiences.



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List of Abbreviations

API: Application Programming Interface

CRUD: Create, Read, Update, Delete

CSS: Cascading Style Sheets

DOM: Document Object Model

ERP: Enterprise Resource Planning

HTML: Hyper-Text Markup Language

HTTP: Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol

HTTPS: Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol Secure

IP: Internet Protocol

JWT: JSON Web Token

JS: JavaScript

JSON: JavaScript Object Notation

MERN: MongoDB, Express.js, React, Node.js

MVC: Model View Controller

NoSQL: Non-Structured Query Language

REST: Representational State Transfer

SQL: Structured Query Language

UX: User Experience

URL: Uniform Resource Locator

VCS: Version Control System



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CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

1.1 PROJECT OVERVIEW

E-Mall is a full-featured, modern e-commerce web application designed to replicate the core functionality of popular online shopping platforms. It enables users to browse a product catalog, manage a cart, and securely place orders, while providing administrators with the ability to manage products, users, and orders through a dedicated dashboard. Developed using the MERN stack (MongoDB, Express.js, React, and Node.js), E-Mall is a scalable and modular platform that delivers a responsive, intuitive user experience for both shoppers and administrators.

This project combines key components of modern web development—user authentication, data-driven interfaces, cloud-based media handling, and modular backend APIs—to create a reliable digital shopping experience that can serve as a foundation for real-world deployment or future enhancements.

1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

While many e-commerce platforms exist, building a customizable and fully functional solution from scratch offers deep insight into the complexities of modern web development. Beginners and small businesses often struggle with:

- High costs of using third-party platforms,
- Limited customization of existing solutions,
- Security and scalability concerns.

E-Mall addresses these challenges by offering a developer-friendly, fully open-source alternative that showcases how e-commerce can be built and managed effectively using free and modern web technologies.

1.3 OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of the E-Mall project are:

- To design and implement a secure, full-stack e-commerce platform.
- To enable seamless user registration, login, and JWT-based authentication.
- To develop a responsive frontend for browsing products and

managing a shopping cart.

- To create an admin dashboard for managing inventory, users, and orders.
- To implement cloud-based media storage using Cloudinary.
- To deploy the project online using a reliable cloud hosting platform (Vercel).

1.4 SCOPE AND SIGNIFICANCE

The scope of this project covers both frontend and backend development, including:

- Product catalog and filtering features
- Secure user sessions
- Cart and checkout management
- Admin-level operations

The significance lies in:

- Demonstrating the practical use of MERN stack technologies in a real-world application.
- Providing a reusable codebase for future development or commercial adaptation.
- Contributing to open-source knowledge and development practices.
- Building essential skills in full-stack development, RESTful APIs, authentication, and cloud deployment.

CHAPTER 2: LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 STUDY OF CURRENT E-COMMERCE PLATFORMS

E-commerce has transformed the retail landscape, with platforms like Amazon, Flipkart, Shopify, and WooCommerce dominating the online shopping space. These platforms provide a wide range of services such as secure payments, product recommendations, order tracking, and mobile responsiveness. They are built using robust technologies, often incorporating cloud computing, scalable databases, and advanced front-end frameworks.

Most of these platforms are either enterprise-level solutions or require paid subscriptions to unlock full customization and advanced features. Additionally, they often rely on pre-built templates or plugins, which can limit the understanding and flexibility needed by developers or students aiming to build their own e-commerce solutions.

Academic and technical literature has also explored topics such as user experience design in e-commerce, scalable web architectures, data privacy in online transactions, and integration of cloud media services—all of which have informed the development of this project.

2.2 IDENTIFIED GAPS OR LIMITATIONS

Despite their strengths, existing e-commerce platforms present several limitations:

- High cost and dependency: Commercial platforms often come with monthly charges, transaction fees, or limited free tiers.
- Limited learning opportunity: Many solutions abstract away key backend operations, reducing opportunities for developers to understand how features like authentication, cart management, and state handling actually work.
- Customization limitations: Predefined themes and plugin-based architectures restrict full control over system behavior and UI/UX flow.
- Over-engineered for small-scale needs: Small businesses and students may find it difficult to configure and maintain heavy platforms like Magento or Shopify.

2.3 JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT APPROACH

E-Mall was developed to bridge these gaps by building an end-to-end e-commerce platform from scratch using open-source technologies and modern design principles. The reasons for this approach are:

- Hands-on learning: Developing the entire stack (frontend, backend, database, authentication, and deployment) provides a deep understanding of each component.
- Customization and scalability: By using the MERN stack, the application remains flexible and scalable while allowing for complete customization.
- Cost-effectiveness: All technologies used in this project (MongoDB, Express, React, Node.js, Cloudinary, Vercel) are free for basic usage, making it suitable for startups and educational purposes.
- Real-world relevance: The implementation closely mirrors real e-commerce systems, making the project portfolio-ready and relevant for professional development.

This approach not only fulfills academic goals but also equips the developer with practical, industry-ready skills in full-stack development and cloud deployment.

CHAPTER 3: SYSTEM REQUIREMENT AND ANALYSIS

3.1 FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Functional requirements define the specific behavior and functionality of the system. For the E-Mall platform, they include:

- User Authentication
 - Users can register and log in securely.
 - JWT-based session management ensures stateless authentication.
- Product Management
 - Users can browse products with categories, price filters, and search options.
 - Admins can add, update, and delete product listings.
- Shopping Cart
 - Users can add, remove, and update item quantities in the cart.
 - Cart shows dynamic price calculations including tax.
- Order Management
 - Users can place orders with a summary of selected products and address details.
 - Admins can view all orders and update order status.
- User Roles
 - Role-based access: Regular users vs. Admin.
 - Admin dashboard is restricted to authorized admin accounts.
- Media Handling
 - Admins can upload product images using the Cloudinary API.

3.2 NON-FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

These requirements ensure the system's quality and performance:

- Performance: The application must respond to user actions within 2 seconds under standard conditions.
- Security: Use of JWT for secure user sessions and role-based access control to protect admin features.
- Scalability: Modular code architecture ensures the platform can scale with more users and products.
- Responsiveness: The user interface must adapt across devices (desktop, tablet, mobile).
- Availability: Deployed via Vercel for maximum uptime and global availability.
- Maintainability: Clean, component-based frontend and well-structured backend make it easy to update or extend.

3.3 USE CASE DIAGRAM AND USER ROLES

User Roles

1. Shopper/User

- Register/Login
- Browse products
- View product details
- Add items to cart
- Checkout and place orders
- View order history

2. Administrator

- Secure admin login
- Manage product catalog (Add/Edit/Delete)
- View and manage all user orders
- Manage user accounts

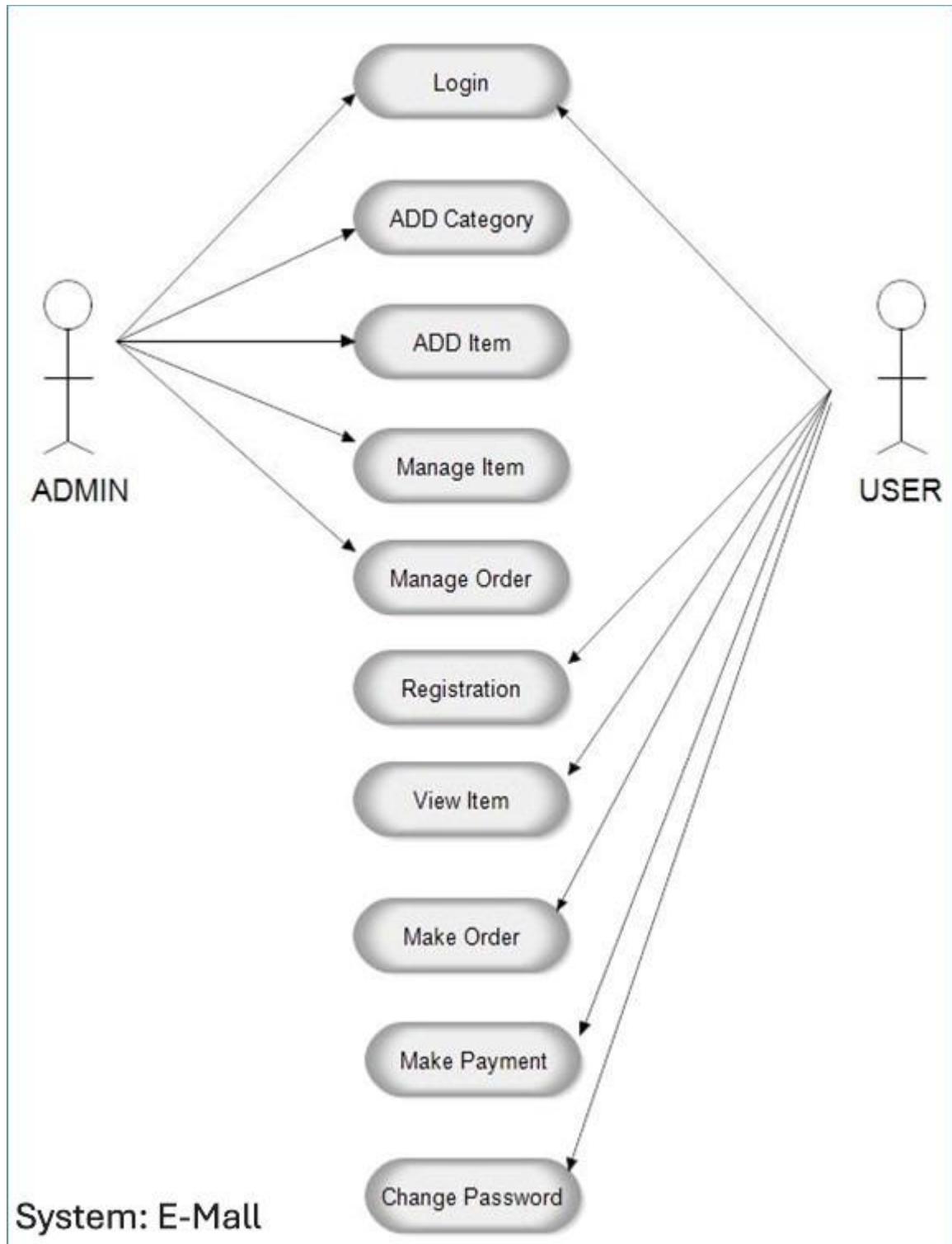


Fig. 3.3.1 Use case Diagram

3.4 REQUIREMENT SPECIFICATION

ID	Requirement	Type	Priority
R1	User registration and login	Functional	High
R2	Product browsing and search	Functional	High
R3	Cart management	Functional	High
R4	Order placement	Functional	High
R5	Admin product control	Functional	High
R6	Image upload via Cloudinary	Functional	Medium
R7	Mobile-responsive design	Non-Functional	High
R8	Secure JWT authentication	Non-Functional	High
R9	Admin dashboard access restriction	Functional	High
R10	Vercel deployment with optimal uptime	Non-Functional	Medium

Table 3.4.1 Requirement Specification

CHAPTER 4: SYSTEM DESIGN

4.1 MERN STACK ARCHITECTURE

E-Mall is developed using the MERN stack, which consists of:

- MongoDB: A NoSQL database used for storing users, products, orders, and cart data in a flexible, JSON-like format.
- Express.js: A minimalist Node.js backend framework that handles server-side routing, API endpoints, and middleware.
- React: The front-end library used to build dynamic and responsive user interfaces.
- Node.js: Provides the JavaScript runtime environment for executing backend code and serving client requests.

The application follows a client-server model, where the frontend interacts with the backend via RESTful APIs. The backend communicates with the database and responds with JSON data.

4.2 ENTITY RELATIONSHIP DIAGRAM

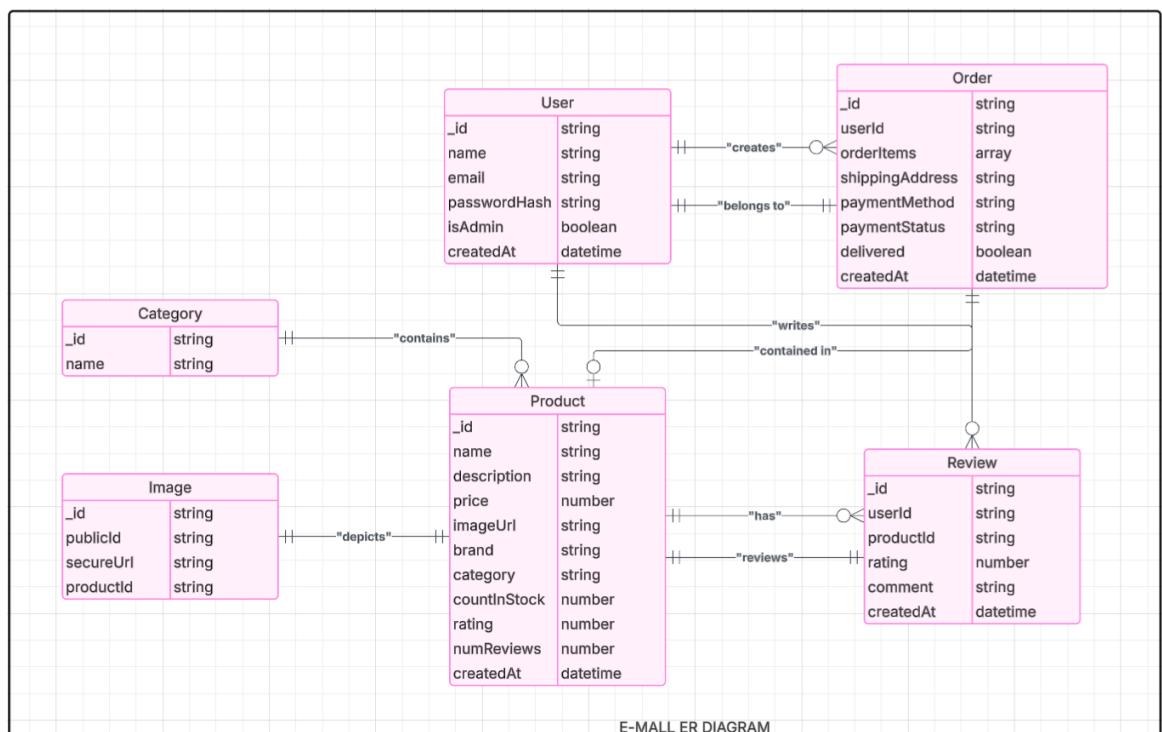


Table. 4.2.1 ER Diagram

4.3 WORKFLOW DIAGRAMS

Frontend Workflow:

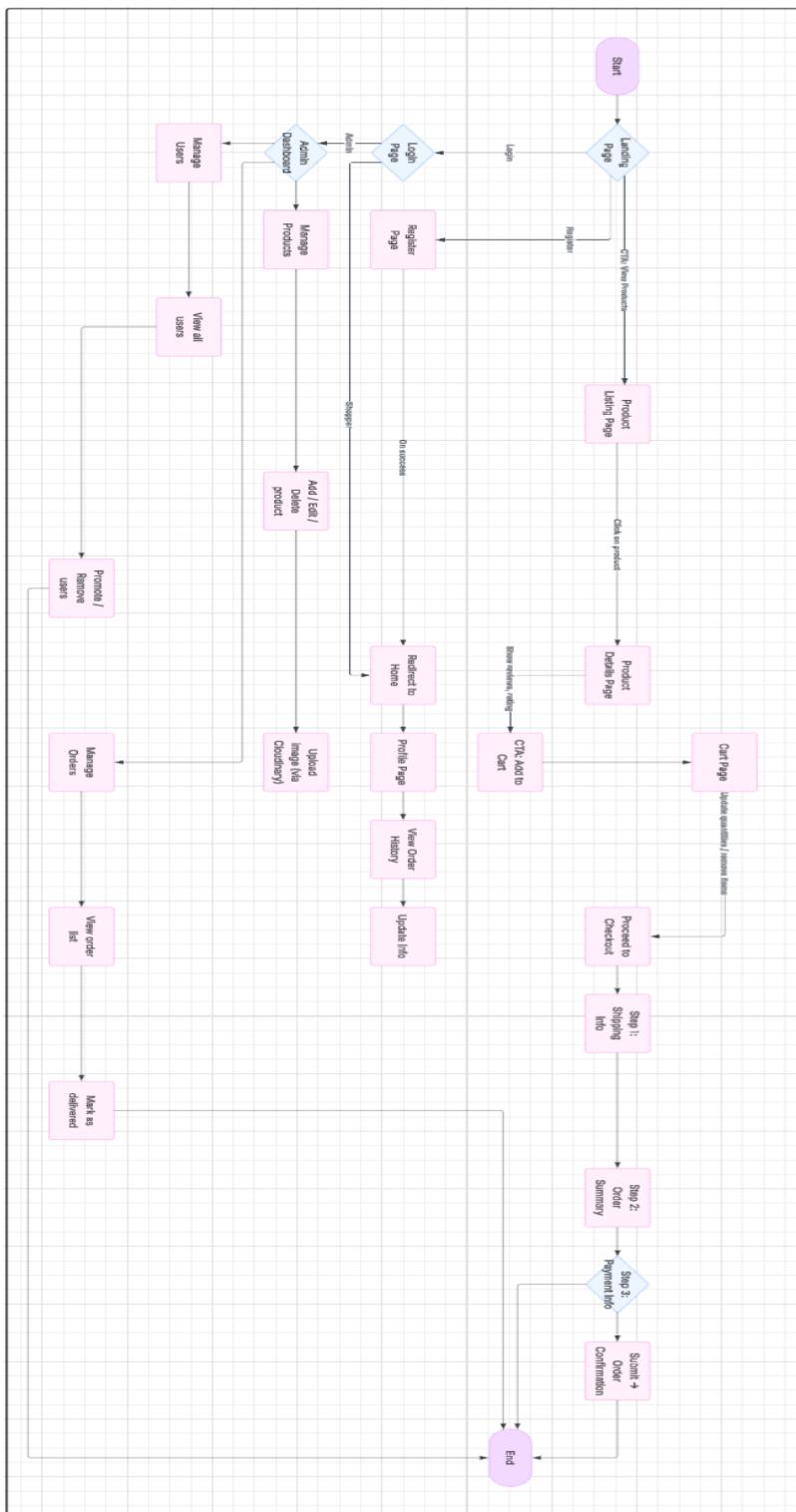


Fig. 4.3.1 Frontend Workflow

Backend Workflow:

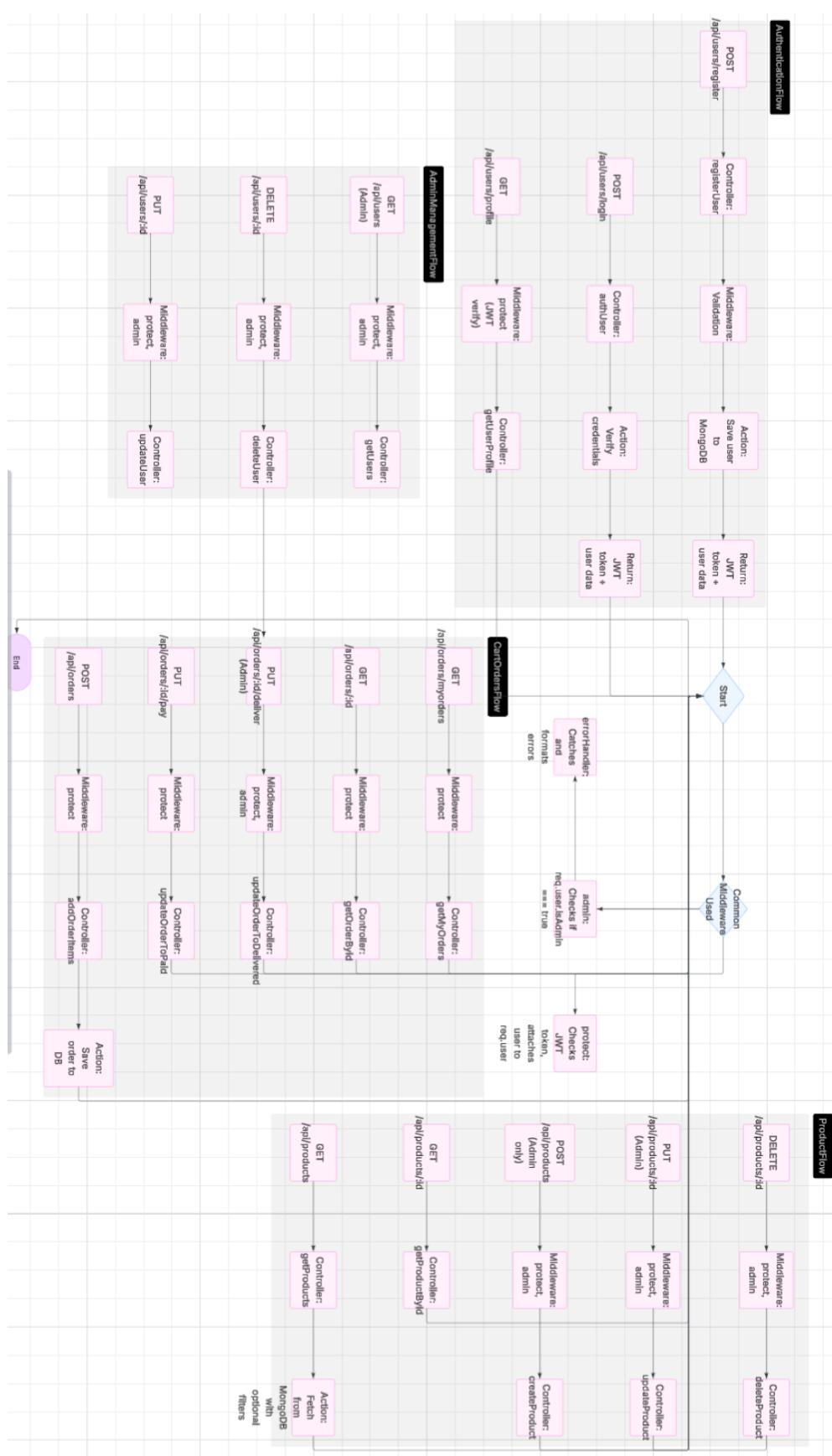


Fig. 4.3.2 Backend Workflow

CHAPTER 5: IMPLEMENTATION

5.1 BACKEND (NODE.JS, EXPRESS, MONGODB, JWT)

Node.js and Express Setup

The backend of E-Mall is built using Node.js as the JavaScript runtime environment, and Express.js as the server-side framework. The Express.js framework is used to build RESTful APIs that handle user interactions, product management, and order processing.

Key components:

- Server Setup: A basic Express.js server is set up to handle incoming HTTP requests and responses.

```
const express = require('express');

const app = express();

const cors = require('cors');

app.use(cors());

app.use(express.json());
```

- Middleware: Custom middleware is used for authentication, error handling, and data validation. JWT is used to protect routes that require admin access or authenticated users.

```
const jwt = require('jsonwebtoken');

function authenticateToken(req, res, next) {
  const token = req.headers['authorization'];
  if (!token) return res.status(401).send('Access Denied');
  jwt.verify(token, process.env.JWT_SECRET, (err, user) => {
    if (err) return res.status(403).send('Token is invalid');
    req.user = user;
    next();
  });
}
```

- MongoDB for Data Storage

MongoDB is used to store all essential data such as users, products, and orders in a NoSQL format. The mongoose library is used to define schemas for each collection.

- User Schema: Contains user details and authentication data (email, password hash, isAdmin flag).

```
const mongoose = require('mongoose');

const userSchema = new mongoose.Schema({
  name: { type: String, required: true },
  email: { type: String, required: true, unique: true },
  passwordHash: { type: String, required: true },
  isAdmin: { type: Boolean, default: false }
});

const User = mongoose.model('User', userSchema);
```

- Product Schema: Contains product data like name, price, description, and category.

```
const productSchema = new mongoose.Schema({
  name: { type: String, required: true },
  price: { type: Number, required: true },
  description: { type: String },
  category: { type: String },
  imageURL: { type: String },
  rating: { type: Number, default: 0 }
});

const Product = mongoose.model('Product', productSchema);
```

- JWT for Authentication: JSON Web Tokens are used for user authentication and maintaining session states. The user receives a token upon successful login, which is stored in local storage and sent in request headers for subsequent API calls.

5.2 FRONTEND (REACT, REDUX, TAILWIND CSS)

1. React for Dynamic UI

The frontend of E-Mall is built using React, which allows for the creation of dynamic, interactive, and reusable UI components. React's virtual DOM ensures

efficient updates of the UI when state or props change.

Key React components:

- ProductList: Displays a list of products fetched from the backend API.
- ProductDetail: Displays individual product details when a user clicks on a product.
- Cart: Manages the shopping cart, allowing users to add/remove items and proceed to checkout.
- Auth: Manages user authentication (login/register forms) and integrates JWT for session management.

```
// Example of a Product component

function Product({ product }) {
  return (
    <div className="p-4 border rounded-lg">
      <img src={product.imageURL} alt={product.name} className="w-full h-48 object-cover" />
      <h3 className="text-lg font-semibold">{product.name}</h3>
      <p>{product.description}</p>
      <p className="font-bold">₹{product.price}</p>
    </div>
  );
}
```

2. Redux for State Management

Redux is used to manage global application state across different components, such as managing user authentication and shopping cart data. This ensures that the application is responsive and data flows smoothly between the components.

- Store: Stores the entire state of the application, including user info and cart data.
- Reducers: Handle actions like adding items to the cart or setting user authentication state.
- Actions: Dispatch changes to the state (e.g., login action, adding/removing items from the cart).

```
// Example of a Redux action to add a product to the cart
```

```
const addToCart = (product) => {
  return {
    type: 'ADD_TO_CART',
    payload: product
  };
};
```

3. Tailwind CSS for Styling

Tailwind CSS is used for utility-first styling, allowing fast and consistent design across the application. It's fully responsive and adapts to different screen sizes by using utility classes like flex, grid, p-4, md:w-1/3, etc.

```
<div class="p-4 border rounded-lg max-w-xs mx-auto">
  <h3 class="text-lg font-semibold text-gray-900">Product Name</h3>
  <p class="text-sm text-gray-600">Product Description</p>
  <span class="text-xl font-bold">₹1999</span>
</div>
```

5.3 FILE/MEDIA HANDLING AND DEPLOYMENT (MULTER, CLOUDINARY, VERCEL)

1. File Handling with Multer

Multer is used to handle file uploads in the backend, especially for product images. It processes the files, stores them temporarily, and integrates with Cloudinary for cloud storage.

```
const multer = require('multer');
const upload = multer({ dest: 'uploads/' });

// API route for image upload
app.post('/api/upload', upload.single('image'), (req, res) => {
  res.send({ imageUrl: `/uploads/${req.file.filename}` });
});
```

2. Cloudinary for Image Storage

Cloudinary is used to store product images in the cloud and perform transformations such as resizing or optimizing images. After Multer handles the image upload, the image is sent to Cloudinary.

```
const cloudinary = require('cloudinary').v2;  
  
cloudinary.config({  
    cloud_name: process.env.CLOUDINARY_CLOUD_NAME,  
    api_key: process.env.CLOUDINARY_API_KEY,  
    api_secret: process.env.CLOUDINARY_API_SECRET,  
});  
  
// Upload to Cloudinary  
cloudinary.uploader.upload(req.file.path, (err, result) => {  
    if (err) return res.status(500).send(err);  
    res.send({ imageUrl: result.secure_url });  
});
```

3. Deployment with Vercel

Vercel is used for deploying both the frontend and backend of the application. The frontend React app is deployed on Vercel, while the backend (Node.js + Express) is deployed using a custom server setup with Heroku. MongoDB Atlas is used for hosting the database in the cloud.

- Frontend Deployment: Push the React app to Vercel with minimal configuration.
- Backend Deployment: Deploy the backend API to Heroku, which integrates with MongoDB Atlas for database storage.

CHAPTER 6 : RESULT AND DISCUSSION

6.1 KEY FEATURES DEMONSTRATED

E-Mall successfully integrates key features that make it a robust e-commerce platform. These features not only provide an intuitive shopping experience for users but also offer advanced management functionalities for administrators.

1. User Authentication and Security:

The system uses JWT (JSON Web Tokens) for secure user authentication. Upon successful login, the user receives a token that must be included in the headers for accessing protected routes. This ensures the safety of personal data and sensitive transactions.



```

Body Cookies Headers (8) Test Results 
200 OK 273 ms 587 B Save Res
{} JSON Preview Visualize 
1 {
2   "user": {
3     "_id": "680133933da9ebda53464ea1",
4     "name": "Admin User",
5     "email": "admin@admin.com",
6     "role": "admin"
7   },
8   "token": "eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.
eyJlc2VyIjp7Im1kIjo1NjgwMTMzOTMzZGE5ZWJKYTUzNDY0ZWExIiwicm9sZSI6ImFkbWluIn0sImlhCI6MTc0NTAxMjA3MSwiZXhwIjoxNzQ1MTU2MDcxfQ.
dV5w8v68oS0lZn2U1a0fh1UpC9D18iQ2xr7lG-Nuhyo"
9 }

```

Fig. 6.1.1 Token

2. Product Catalog with Filters:

The application allows users to browse through a wide array of products, filter by category, price range, and ratings, and view detailed product descriptions, images, and customer reviews. This offers an intuitive and detailed shopping experience.

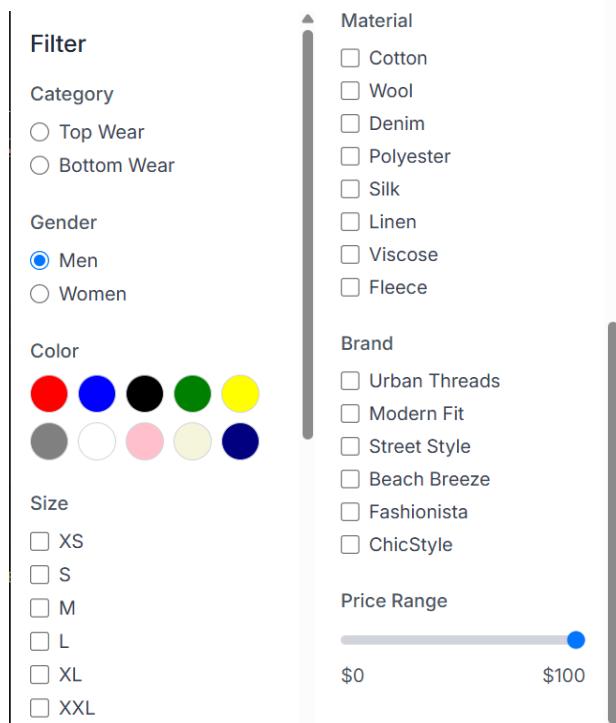


Fig. 6.1.2 Filters

3. Shopping Cart and Checkout:

The shopping cart system enables users to add, remove, and update product quantities. The dynamic cart automatically calculates real-time totals and taxes, simplifying the checkout process. The payment gateway integration ensures that users can securely finalize their orders.

Your Cart

	Printed Resort Shirt size:M color: Navy Palms	\$ 29.99	X	
		-	3	+

CHECKOUT

Contact Details

Email:

Delivery

First Name: Last Name:

Address:

City: Postal Code:

Country:

Phone:

Continue to Payment

Checkout

Shipping charges, taxes, and discount codes calculated at Checkout.

Fig. 6.1.3 Checkout and Cart

4. Admin Dashboard:

The admin dashboard empowers administrators to manage products, users, and orders effectively. Admins can add new products, edit product details, delete products, and monitor orders in real time. This centralized control minimizes the workload for store managers.

Admin Dashboard				
Revenue \$204.96	Total Orders 5 Manage Orders	Total Products 40 Manage Products		
Recent Orders				
ORDER ID	USER	TOTAL PRICE	STATUS	
6801fdd8d0ae2caebb110d08	pip	29.99	Delivered	
6801fe7cd0ae2caebb110dae	pip	79.99	Processing	
68020d86520f332fb31f646	pip	29.99	Processing	
68022c43cfad5fb52cf46ccc	Admin User	30.00	Processing	
6802364e773e3b6ea15de8d2	Admin User	34.99	Processing	

Fig. 6.1.4 Admin Dashboard

5. Responsive and User-Friendly UI:

The frontend, built with React and Tailwind CSS, provides a sleek, responsive design that adapts seamlessly to various devices. The user interface is optimized for mobile and desktop users, ensuring accessibility and a smooth experience.

6.2 USER FLOW WALKTHROUGH

Shopper Journey:

1. Landing Page:

The user lands on the home page, where they can browse featured products and categories. The search bar at the top allows them to find specific products.

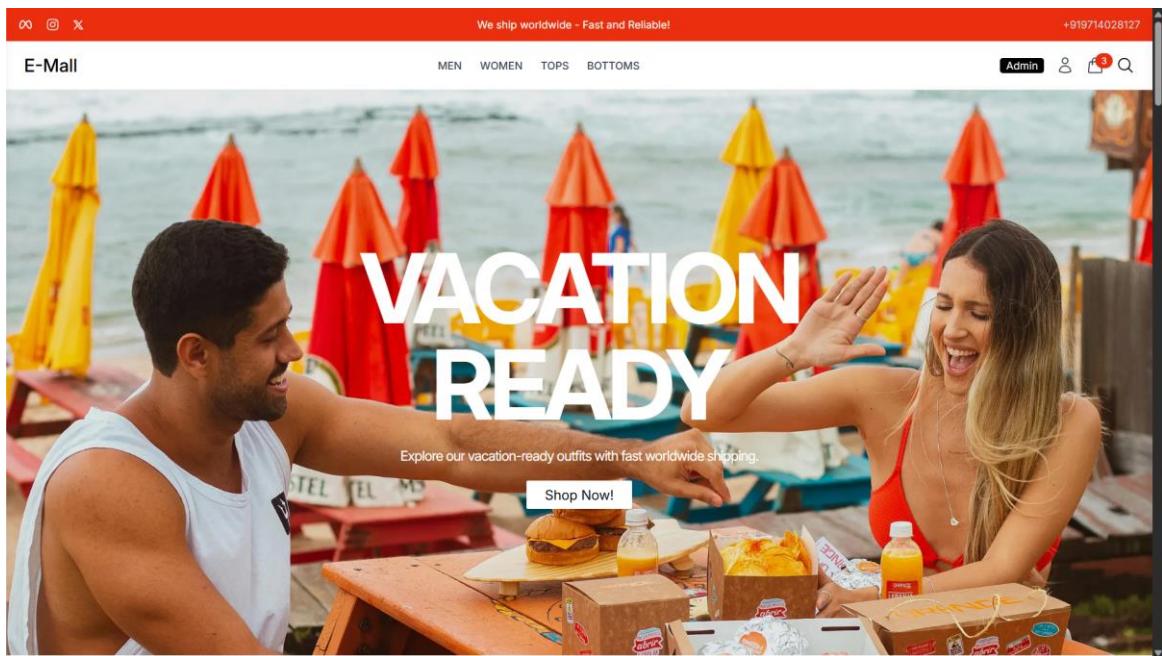


Fig. 6.2.1 Landing Page

2. Product Selection:

After clicking on a product, the user is directed to the product detail page, which displays images, descriptions, pricing, and customer reviews. Users can add the item to their cart directly from this page.

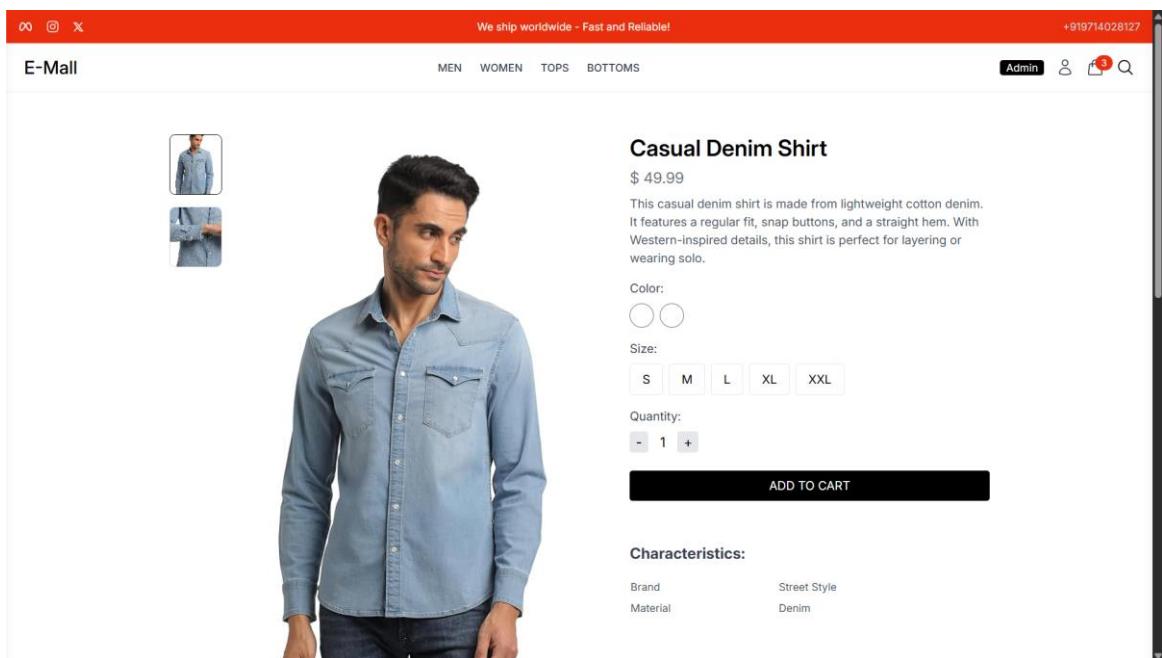


Fig. 6.2.2 Product Selection

3. Shopping Cart:

Users can view and modify their shopping cart. The cart page allows them to update quantities, remove items, and see the total cost (including taxes).

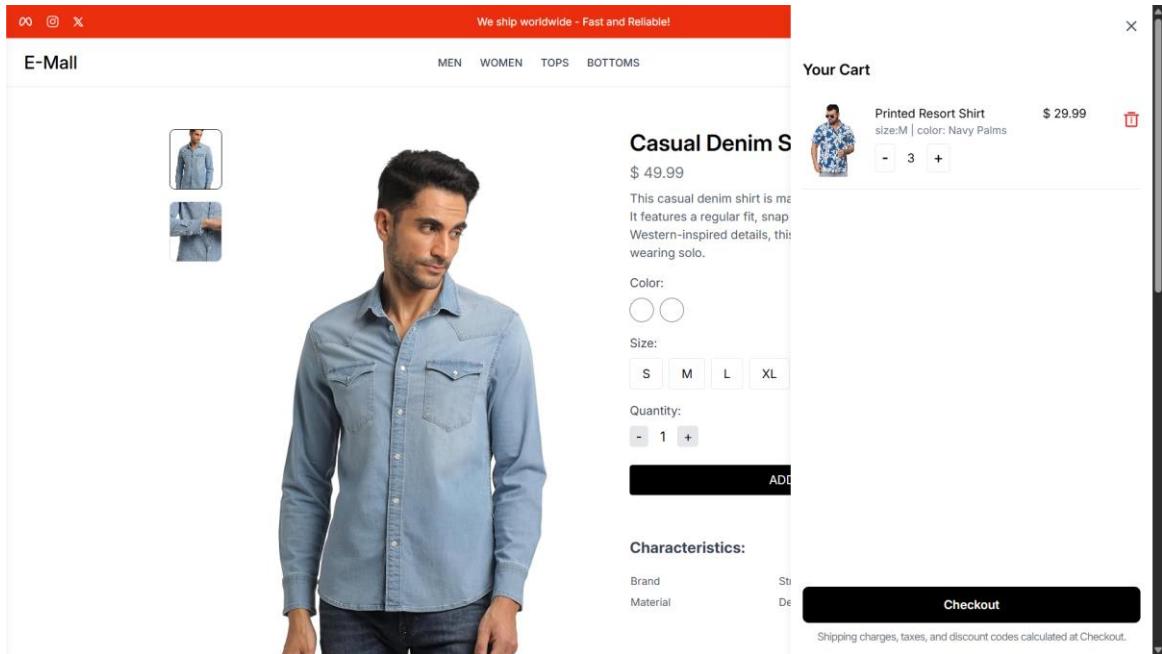


Fig. 6.2.3 Shopping Cart

4. Checkout Process:

The user proceeds to checkout, enters shipping details, selects a payment method, and reviews the order summary. After confirmation, the order is processed, and a confirmation message is shown.

CHECKOUT		Order Summary
Contact Details		
Email admin@admin.com		
Delivery		
First Name admin	Last Name admin	
Address G-102/ Shyam Status, Opp. Pramukh Oasis, Near Royal Circle		
City Gandhinagar	Postal Code 382421	
Country India		
Phone 1234567890		
Pay with Paypal		
Debit or Credit Card		
Powered by		

Fig. 6.2.4 Checkout Process

5. Order Tracking:

After the purchase, the user can visit their profile to view past orders and track their current order status.

The screenshot shows the 'Order Details' page of an e-commerce platform. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for MEN, WOMEN, TOPS, and BOTTOMS. On the right side of the header, there are icons for Admin, User, Cart, and Search. Below the header, the main content area is titled 'Order Details'. It displays the following information:

- Order ID:** #6802c8ed76e5be0441b11479
- Date:** 4/19/2025
- Status:** Approved (green button) and Pending Delivery (yellow button)
- Payment Info:** Payment Method: PayPal, Status: Paid
- Shipping Info:** Shipping Method: Address: Gandhinagar, India
- Products:** A table showing one item: Printed Resort Shirt, \$29.99, Quantity: 3, Total: \$89.97. The table has columns for Name, Unit Price, Quantity, and Total.

At the bottom of the page, there are links for Newsletter, Shop, Support, and Follow Us, along with social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. There's also a 'Back to My Orders' link.

Fig. 6.2.5 Order Tracking

Admin Journey:

1. Admin Login:

The admin logs into the system via a secure login screen. The admin is authenticated via JWT and gains access to the Admin Dashboard.

The screenshot shows the Admin Dashboard of an E-Mall system. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation links: 'E-Mall', 'Admin Dashboard', 'Users', 'Products' (which is currently selected), 'Orders', 'Shop', and a 'Logout' button. The main content area has a title 'Admin Dashboard' and three summary boxes: 'Revenue \$294.93', 'Total Orders 6 Manage Orders', and 'Total Products 40 Manage Products'. Below these is a section titled 'Recent Orders' with a table listing six recent purchases.

ORDER ID	USER	TOTAL PRICE	STATUS
6801fd8d0ae2caebe110d08	pip	29.99	Delivered
6801fe7cd0ae2caebe110dae	pip	79.99	Processing
68020d86520f332fb31f646	pip	29.99	Processing
68022c43cfad5fb52cf46ccc	Admin User	30.00	Processing
6802364e773e3b6ea15de8d2	Admin User	34.99	Processing
6802c8ed76e5be0441b11479	Admin User	89.97	Processing

Fig. 6.2.6 Admin Logged-in

2. Product Management:

The admin can add, update, or delete products from the product catalog. They can also view the product list with options to filter based on category, price, and other attributes.

The screenshot shows the Product Management page of the E-Mall system. The sidebar on the left is identical to the Admin Dashboard. The main content area has a title 'Product Management' and a table listing ten products with columns for NAME, PRICE, SKU, and ACTIONS (Edit and Delete buttons). The products listed are: Printed Resort Shirt (\$29.99, PRNT-RES-004), V-Neck Classic T-Shirt (\$14.99, VNECK-CLS-010), Slim Fit Joggers (\$40, BW-001), Pleated Midi Skirt (\$55, BW-W-004), High-Rise Joggers (\$40, BW-W-006), Casual T-Shirt (\$25, TW-W-003), Graphic Print Tee (\$30, TW-W-006), Chino Pants (\$55, BW-005), Long-Sleeve Thermal Tee (\$27.99, LST-THR-009), Cargo Joggers (\$45, BW-002), and Wide-Leg Trousers (\$60, BW-W-002).

NAME	PRICE	SKU	ACTIONS
Printed Resort Shirt	\$29.99	PRNT-RES-004	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
V-Neck Classic T-Shirt	\$14.99	VNECK-CLS-010	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Slim Fit Joggers	\$40	BW-001	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Pleated Midi Skirt	\$55	BW-W-004	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
High-Rise Joggers	\$40	BW-W-006	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Casual T-Shirt	\$25	TW-W-003	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Graphic Print Tee	\$30	TW-W-006	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Chino Pants	\$55	BW-005	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Long-Sleeve Thermal Tee	\$27.99	LST-THR-009	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Cargo Joggers	\$45	BW-002	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>
Wide-Leg Trousers	\$60	BW-W-002	<button>Edit</button> <button>Delete</button>

Fig. 6.2.7 Product Management

3. Order Management:

The admin can view all orders placed on the platform. They can manage the status of orders (e.g., pending, shipped, delivered) and see details of each order, including the customer's shipping address and payment information.

ORDER ID	CUSTOMER	TOTAL PRICE	STATUS	ACTIONS
#6801fdd8d0ae2caeabb110d08	pip	29.99	Delivered	<button>Mark as Delivered</button>
#6801fe7cd0ae2caeabb110dae	pip	79.99	Processing	<button>Mark as Delivered</button>
#68020d86520f332fb31f646	pip	29.99	Processing	<button>Mark as Delivered</button>
#68022c43cfad5fb52cf46ccc	Admin User	30.00	Processing	<button>Mark as Delivered</button>
#6802364e773e3b6ea15de8d2	Admin User	34.99	Processing	<button>Mark as Delivered</button>
#6802c8ed76e5be0441b11479	Admin User	89.97	Processing	<button>Mark as Delivered</button>

Fig. 6.2.8 Order Management

4. User Management:

The admin can also manage user accounts, reviewing their order history and adjusting their privileges if necessary (e.g., granting admin access).

User Management

Add New User

Name:

Email:

Password:

Role:

Add User

User Management

NAME	EMAIL	ROLE	ACTIONS
Admin User	admin@admin.com	Admin	Delete
test	test@test.com	Customer	Delete
hello	hello@hello.com	Customer	Delete

Fig. 6.2.9 User Management

6.3 PERFORMANCE AND FUNCTIONALITY INSIGHTS

Performance Insights:

- Frontend: The React-based frontend ensures that the app loads quickly, with state management handled by Redux for optimal data flow. The use of Tailwind CSS ensures that the page is lightweight, minimizing load times.
- Backend: The backend API built with Express ensures fast request handling. MongoDB's NoSQL model provides flexibility, making data retrieval faster and more efficient for the product and user management.
- Authentication: JWT authentication has proven to be efficient in maintaining secure sessions without the overhead of traditional server-side session storage, providing a seamless experience for users.

Functionality Insights:

- The dynamic cart system provides real-time updates of totals, taxes, and shipping costs, ensuring a smooth and transparent shopping experience for users.
- The Admin Dashboard is a powerful tool, streamlining the management of products, users, and orders. The real-time data updates ensure that admins can respond to changes immediately.

Challenges:

- Managing Concurrent Requests: During testing, it was observed that handling concurrent user requests, especially with large numbers of users accessing the product catalog, occasionally resulted in slower performance. This was mitigated by optimizing database queries and using pagination for large product listings.
- Payment Gateway Integration: The initial challenge with payment gateway integration was resolved by researching and implementing a robust payment API that works seamlessly with Stripe for secure payments.
- Cross-Browser Compatibility: Ensuring that the application functioned seamlessly across multiple browsers (especially older versions of Internet Explorer) was initially problematic. By using Tailwind CSS and modern JavaScript features, compatibility issues were resolved, and the app now works across all major browsers.

6.4 CHALLENGES AND HOW THEY WERE RESOLVED

1. Database Optimization:

As the number of products and users grew, queries on the MongoDB database became slower. This was resolved by implementing indexes on frequently queried fields such as `productID`, `userID`, and `orderID`. Additionally, pagination and filtering were added to the product listing, which significantly reduced the load time for large datasets.

2. User Authentication Security:

One challenge faced during implementation was ensuring that JWT tokens were stored securely in the client and transmitted over HTTPS. This was resolved by ensuring the backend enforces secure HTTP headers and storing tokens in `HTTPOnly` cookies, which prevents access via JavaScript and reduces the risk of cross-site scripting (XSS) attacks.

3. Media Uploads and Image Storage:

Initially, there were concerns about image file sizes and storage. Using Cloudinary for image management helped mitigate this issue, allowing images to be automatically optimized for size and resolution, which significantly improved load times and reduced storage costs.

4. Deployment and CI/CD:

Deploying the backend and frontend to different platforms (Heroku and Vercel) posed challenges in maintaining synchronized deployments. This was resolved by setting up a CI/CD pipeline using GitHub Actions, which automates the build and deployment process whenever changes are pushed to the repository.

In conclusion, the E-Mall platform successfully implements key e-commerce features, ensuring a smooth and secure shopping experience for customers and a powerful management interface for administrators. Despite some initial challenges, the project has been optimized to handle concurrent user requests, secure authentication, and efficient media handling, making it a scalable solution for the modern e-commerce landscape.

CHAPTER 7: CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

7.1 SUMMARY OF COMPLETED OBJECTIVES

The E-Mall project successfully achieved all the major objectives outlined at the start. These objectives included developing a secure, user-friendly e-commerce platform that incorporates key features such as:

- User Authentication using JWT, ensuring secure login and session management.
- A Product Catalog that allows users to browse, search, filter, and view detailed product information.
- A Shopping Cart system that dynamically updates, calculates totals, and supports a seamless checkout process.
- An Admin Dashboard that allows administrators to manage products, users, and orders with ease.
- Integration with Cloudinary for media storage and handling, providing optimized image and file uploads.
- Responsive UI/UX Design, built with React, Tailwind CSS, and Redux, ensuring that the platform is accessible on both desktop and mobile devices.

The project was successfully implemented using the MERN stack (MongoDB, Express.js, React, Node.js), with additional libraries such as JWT for authentication, Multer for file uploads, and Cloudinary for media handling.

7.2 SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE GAINED

Throughout the development of E-Mall, I gained a wealth of practical experience and enhanced my skills in several areas:

1. Full-Stack Development:

I developed expertise in building both frontend and backend applications using the MERN stack. From implementing RESTful APIs in Node.js and Express to managing state with Redux in React, I was able to connect the dots between frontend and backend in a seamless manner.

2. Database Design and Optimization:

I deepened my understanding of NoSQL databases, specifically MongoDB, and learned how to structure data efficiently to ensure fast querying and scalability.

3. Authentication and Security:

Implementing secure user authentication with JWT and ensuring the secure handling of sensitive data improved my understanding of web application security best practices.

4. Deployment and Cloud Integration:

Deploying the project on Heroku (backend) and Vercel (frontend) provided valuable experience with cloud platforms. The integration with Cloudinary for media handling further broadened my knowledge of cloud-based solutions.

5. UI/UX Design:

Designing and developing a responsive UI using React and Tailwind CSS sharpened my skills in creating user-friendly and visually appealing interfaces. It also taught me the importance of accessibility and responsiveness in web design.

7.3 FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

While E-Mall successfully meets its initial goals, there are several areas for enhancement that could further improve its functionality and usability:

1. Payment Gateway Integration:

One of the key features to implement in the future is a robust payment gateway integration (e.g., Stripe, PayPal) to enable users to make secure payments directly through the platform. This would complete the purchase cycle and provide a fully functional e-commerce experience.

2. Mobile Application Development:

Given the growing usage of mobile devices for shopping, a mobile application version of E-Mall could be developed using React Native. This would allow users to access the platform with even more convenience, and offer push notifications for order updates or promotions.

3. Analytics Dashboard:

Adding an analytics dashboard for both customers and administrators would help track user behavior, sales trends, and inventory levels. By integrating analytics tools such as Google Analytics or custom-built solutions, E-Mall can provide valuable insights into user preferences and business performance.

4. AI-Based Product Recommendations:

Implementing a recommendation system powered by AI or machine learning can personalize the shopping experience for users. By analyzing user behavior, purchase history, and preferences, the system can suggest products that are more likely to appeal to individual users, increasing sales and customer satisfaction.

5. Multilingual and Multi-Currency Support:

To make E-Mall accessible to a global audience, it would be beneficial to implement multilingual and multi-currency support. This could include automatic language translation and currency conversion based on the user's location, broadening the platform's market reach.

6. Advanced Order Tracking and Shipment Integration:

Enhancing the order tracking feature by integrating with shipment services like FedEx, DHL, or India Post would allow users to track their orders in real time, improving the transparency and reliability of deliveries.

7. Admin Feature Enhancements:

For administrators, additional features such as order management (with automated notifications), advanced product categorization, and bulk product import/export could further improve the operational efficiency of the platform.

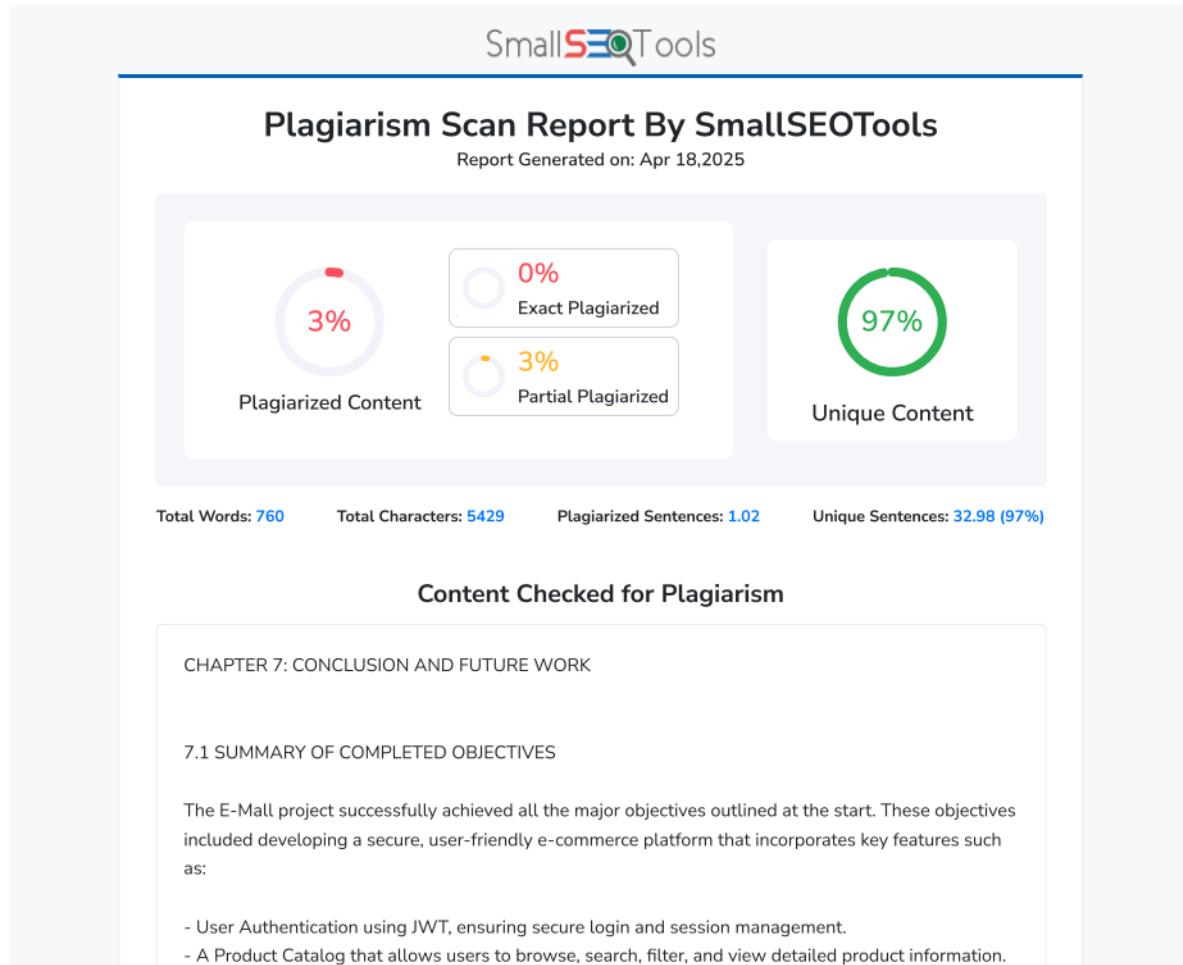
In conclusion, the E-Mall project has achieved its primary goals of delivering a fully functional, secure, and user-friendly e-commerce platform. The development process has equipped me with valuable full-stack development skills, and the project has laid a strong foundation for future enhancements. By integrating more advanced features such as payment systems, mobile app development, and analytics, E-Mall can evolve into a comprehensive and scalable e-commerce solution capable of meeting the demands of a growing online retail market.

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Enrollment no:

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STUDENT'S WEEKLY RECORD OF INTERNSHIP

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DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 20/01/25 TO 26/01/25

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

In the first week, I focused on setting up the project directory and environment for the e-Commerce application.

→ Project Setup and Initial configuration:

- Created project directory E-Mall with frontend and backend Subfolders.
- Initialized React app using create-react-app and installed TailwindCSS.
- Configured tailwind.config.js for custom styling.
- Established basic folder structure for components and pages.
- Successfully setup a running React application on localhost..
- Established a solid foundation for the subsequent development phases .



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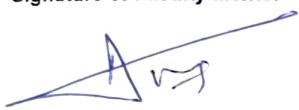
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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

* Week : 02 : Building the FrontEnd layout

- Developed header and footer components with a responsive navbar.
- Styled components using Tailwind CSS for mobile-friendliness.
- Integrated Social media and contact icons in the top bar.
- Designed the homepage layout with featured collections and banners.
- Ensured structured and maintainable component hierarchy.



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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

- * Week 3 : Product Listings & Details.
 - Created a dynamic product card component displaying images, names and prices.
 - Implemented routing with React Router for seamless navigation.
 - Designed the product detail page with attribute selection (size, color) and an "Add to Cart" button.
 - Styled components using Tailwind for an enhanced UI.
 - By the end of the week, users could browse products and view detailed information.



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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

- * Week 4 : Cart Functionality
 - Developed a cart component with a side-drawer UI.
 - Implemented logic for adding/removing products and updating quantities.
 - Created a cart item component displaying selected products.
 - Integrated a checkout button leading to the checkout page.
 - Ensured responsiveness and usability across devices.
 - By the end of the week, users could add items to the cart and view their selections conveniently.



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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

* Week: 5 : User Authentication

- Implemented user registration & login using JWT for session management.
- Created and validated registration and login forms.
- Integrated a mock backend for user authentication.
- Implemented protected routes for restricted access.
- Added feedback messages for login success/failure.
- By the end of the week, users could register and login, significantly increasing the app's interactivity and functionality.



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TOTAL HOURS: - 406 -----


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NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Solham Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 24/02/25 TO 02/03/2025

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

* Week 6 : Checkout Process

- Developed a checkout page with a shipping information form.
- Integrated a summary section displaying cart items and total price.
- Implemented PayPal API for secure payment processing.
- Ensured smooth navigation and proper field validations.
- Conducted extensive testing of the payment flow.
- By the end of the week, the checkout process was functioning smoothly, providing users with a reliable way to complete their purchases.



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NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Soham Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 03/03/25 TO 09/03/25

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- * Week 7: Admin Panel Development
 - Created an admin dashboard displaying key metrics (sales, orders, products).
 - Implemented CRUD operations for product and user management.
 - Designed the admin Panel for ease of use and accessibility.
 - Used Tailwind CSS for a cohesive and professional UI.



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NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Soham Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 10/03/25 TO 16/03/25

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

- * Week 8 : State Management with Redux.
- Integrated Redux Toolkit for global State management.
- Created slices for cart and user authentication.
- Replaced prop-drilling with Redux store integration.
- Optimized state updates using useSelector and useDispatch.
- Improved code maintainability and performance.



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STUDENT'S WEEKLY RECORD OF INTERNSHIP

NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Saham Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 17/03/25 TO 23/03/25

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

- * Week 9 : Enhancing User Experience
 - Implemented search functionality with keyword-based filtering.
 - Added sorting options for products by price and popularity.
 - Conducted cross-device testing for responsiveness.
 - Incorporated feedback from peers for UI improvements.



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STUDENT'S WEEKLY RECORD OF INTERNSHIP

NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Soham Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 24/03/25 TO 30/03/25

DEPARTMENT: Computer Engineering SEM: 8th

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

- * Week 10 : Testing & Debugging
- Performed comprehensive manual and automated testing.
- Fixed identified bugs and conducted regression testing.
- Reviewed and optimized code for best practices.
- Created user documentation for easy onboarding.
- Solved UI related issues.



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STUDENT'S WEEKLY RECORD OF INTERNSHIP

NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Schum Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 31/03/25 TO 06/04/25

DEPARTMENT: Computer Engineering SEM: 8th

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

* Week II : Deployment Preparation.

- Optimized the codebase for Production.
- Created a Production build using npm run build.
- Chose Vercel and for deployment due to React Compatibility.
- Configured and tested the application in a live environment.
- Successfully deployed and made the app Publicly accessible.



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NAME OF STUDENT: Dave Soham Manish

DIARY OF THE WEEK: Dt: 07/06/25 TO 19/06/25

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DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK DONE IN BRIEF

- * Week 12 : Final Review & Submission
- Conducted a final Project review ensuring full functionality.
- Finalized and organized Project documentation.
- Gathered and incorporated feedback from Peers and mentors.
- Submitted the Project, showcasing full-stack development skills.



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