

ShopEase – E-Commerce Application

1. Project Title

ShopEase – E-Commerce Application

A full-stack e-commerce backend system designed to manage products, users, carts, and orders with a scalable and real-world architecture.

2. Project Objective

The goal of ShopEase is to build a secure, scalable, and production-ready e-commerce platform that supports multiple user roles and complete shopping workflows.

User Roles:

- **Customers:** Browse products, manage cart, place orders, manage addresses
- **Administrators:** Manage products, categories, users, and orders

Key Objectives:

- Provide secure authentication and role-based access
 - Support complete shopping flow from product browsing to order placement
 - Maintain data integrity using relational database design
 - Build a modular backend suitable for frontend (React) integration
 - Enable easy future enhancements like payments and notifications
-

3. Project Scope

Backend Responsibilities:

- User registration and authentication
- Role-based access control (Admin / User)
- Product and category management
- Cart and order processing
- Address management
- REST API development
- Database interaction and transaction handling

Frontend Responsibilities (Planned):

- User-friendly shopping interface
- Product listing and category filtering
- Cart and checkout flow

- Order history and profile management
 - Admin dashboards for product and category management
-

4. Full-Stack Architecture

1. Frontend (React.js – Planned):

- Components: Login, Register, Product List, Product Details, Cart, Orders, Admin Panel
- State Management: Context API / Redux
- Routing: React Router
- API Integration: Axios

2. Backend (Spring Boot):

- Controller Layer: REST APIs
- Service Layer: Business logic
- Repository Layer: JPA / Hibernate
- Security Layer: Spring Security with JWT

3. Database (MySQL):

- Normalized schema with relational mappings
- Transaction management
- Indexing for performance

4. Communication:

- REST APIs using JSON
 - Secure JWT-based authentication
-

5. Technology Stack

| Layer | Technology |
|---------------|----------------------|
| Frontend | React.js (Planned) |
| Backend | Java, Spring Boot |
| Security | Spring Security, JWT |
| Database | MySQL |
| ORM | JPA / Hibernate |
| Build Tool | Maven |
| Documentation | Swagger |

| Layer | Technology |
|---------|------------|
| Testing | Postman |

6. User Roles & Access Control

Roles:

- **Admin:** Full control over products, categories, and users
- **User:** Browse products, manage cart, place orders

Access Control:

- Role-based API authorization
 - JWT token validation for secured endpoints
 - Protected admin APIs
-

7. Functional Modules

7.1 Authentication & Account Management

- User registration and login
- Encrypted password storage
- JWT token generation and validation
- Role-based access control

7.2 User Management (Admin)

- View all users
- Assign roles
- Activate / deactivate users

7.3 Product Management

- Add, update, delete products (Admin)
- View all products (User)
- Category-based product browsing

7.4 Category Management

- Create and manage categories
- Assign products to categories

7.5 Cart Management

- One cart per user
- Add products to cart
- Update quantities
- Remove items
- View cart

7.6 Order Management

- Place orders
- Order status tracking
- View order history
- Order-item mapping

7.7 Address Management

- Add multiple addresses
 - Update address details
 - Select address during checkout
-

8. Database Design

Tables:

- Users
- Products
- Categories
- Cart
- CartItems
- Orders
- OrderItems
- Addresses

Relationships:

- One User → One Cart
 - One User → Many Orders
 - One User → Many Addresses
 - One Category → Many Products
 - One Cart → Many CartItems
 - One Order → Many OrderItems
-

9. Backend Package Structure

```
com.app
├── controller
│   ├── AuthController.java
│   ├── ProductController.java
│   ├── CategoryController.java
│   ├── CartController.java
│   ├── OrderController.java
│   └── UserController.java
├── service
├── repository
├── entity
├── security
├── config
├── payload
└── ShopEaseApplication.java
```

10. Security Considerations

- JWT-based authentication
- Encrypted password storage
- Role-based endpoint protection
- Input validation to prevent SQL Injection and XSS

11. REST API Overview

Authentication APIs:

- POST `/api/auth/register`
- POST `/api/auth/login`

Product APIs:

- POST `/api/admin/products`
- GET `/api/products`
- GET `/api/products/{id}`

Cart APIs:

- POST `/api/cart/add`
- GET `/api/cart`

- DELETE `/api/cart/remove`

Order APIs:

- POST `/api/orders`
 - GET `/api/orders`
-

12. Testing & Quality Assurance

Backend Testing:

- Unit testing with JUnit
- API testing using Postman

Documentation:

- Swagger UI for API testing and documentation
-

13. Future Enhancements

- Payment gateway integration (Razorpay / Stripe)
 - Product reviews and ratings
 - Wishlist functionality
 - Search and pagination
 - Email notifications
 - Admin analytics dashboard
-

14. Conclusion

ShopEase is a robust and scalable e-commerce backend system inspired by real-world applications. With secure authentication, strong database relationships, and modular architecture, the platform is well-suited for enterprise-level expansion and frontend integration.