Full Stack Development with MERN

Project Documentation

1. Introduction

Project Title: OrderOnTheGo: Your On-Demand Food Ordering Solution

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2. Project Overview

Purpose:

FoodMunch is a fully functional and responsive food ordering website that enables users to register, log in, and browse various food menu items. The goal is to provide a seamless experience for both desktop and mobile users with secure authentication and dynamic data handling.

Features:

- User Registration & Login with JWT
- Responsive and modern UI using Bootstrap
- Reusable components in React
- Dynamic menu items from JSON
- MongoDB integration for persistent storage
- Password hashing and validation for security

3. Architecture

Frontend (React):

- Built using React 18
- Component-based architecture with Hooks
- React Router for client-side navigation
- Axios for API calls
- Responsive layout using Bootstrap 4

Backend (Node.js & Express.js):

- RESTful API with Express.js
- JWT for authentication
- bcryptjs for password encryption
- Input validation with express-validator

Database (MongoDB):

- Uses Mongoose ODM
 One primary collection: Users
 Fields include: username, email, password, createdAt
 Setup Instructions
 Prerequisites:
 - Node.js (v14 or higher)
 - MongoDB (v4.4 or higher)
 - npm (comes with Node.js)
 - Installation:
 - 1. Clone the Repository

git clone https://github.com/madhukodali23/FoodMunch

Install Backend Dependencies

cd foodmunch/server

npm install

2. Install Frontend Dependencies

cd ../client

npm install

3. Environment Variables (Server/.env)

PORT=5000

JWT_SECRET=your-secret-key-here

MONGODB_URI=mongodb://localhost:27017/foodmunch

5. Folder Structure

Client (React Frontend):

```
├— Register.js
             ├— MenuItem.js
             L — WcuCard.js
          ├---- data/
            L — menuItems.js
          ├— App.js
          ├— index.js
          L — index.css
       L — package.json
     Server (Node.js Backend):
      pgsql
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      server/
       ├— server.js
       L — package.json
6. Running the Application
     Start MongoDB
      mongod
     Start Backend Server
      cd server
      npm start
     Start Frontend React App
      cd client
      npm start
     Localhost Ports:
         o Backend: <a href="http://localhost:5000">http://localhost:5000</a>
         o Frontend: http://localhost:3000
7. API Documentation
      Authentication Routes:
       Method
                 Endpoint
                                  Description
       POST
                 /api/register
                                  Register a new user
```

Method Endpoint Description

POST /api/login Login existing user

GET /api/profile Get user profile (JWT required)

Example:

```
// POST /api/login Request Body
{
   "email": "user@example.com",
   "password": "mypassword"
}
// Response
{
   "token": "jwt_token_here"
}
```

8. Authentication

- Password Hashing: Using bcryptjs before storing in MongoDB.
- **JWT Tokens:** Generated during login and sent to the client.
- Protected Routes: Middleware verifies token and grants access to private endpoints.
- Auth State: Stored in localStorage on the frontend for session management.

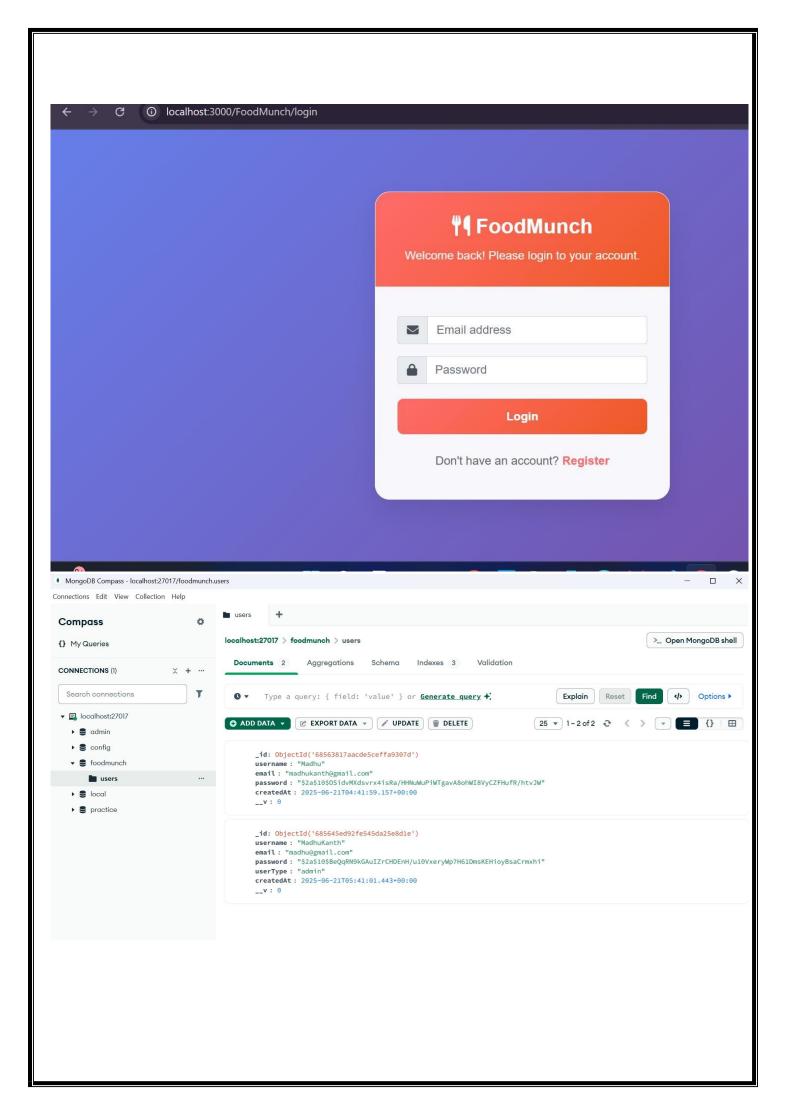
9. User Interface

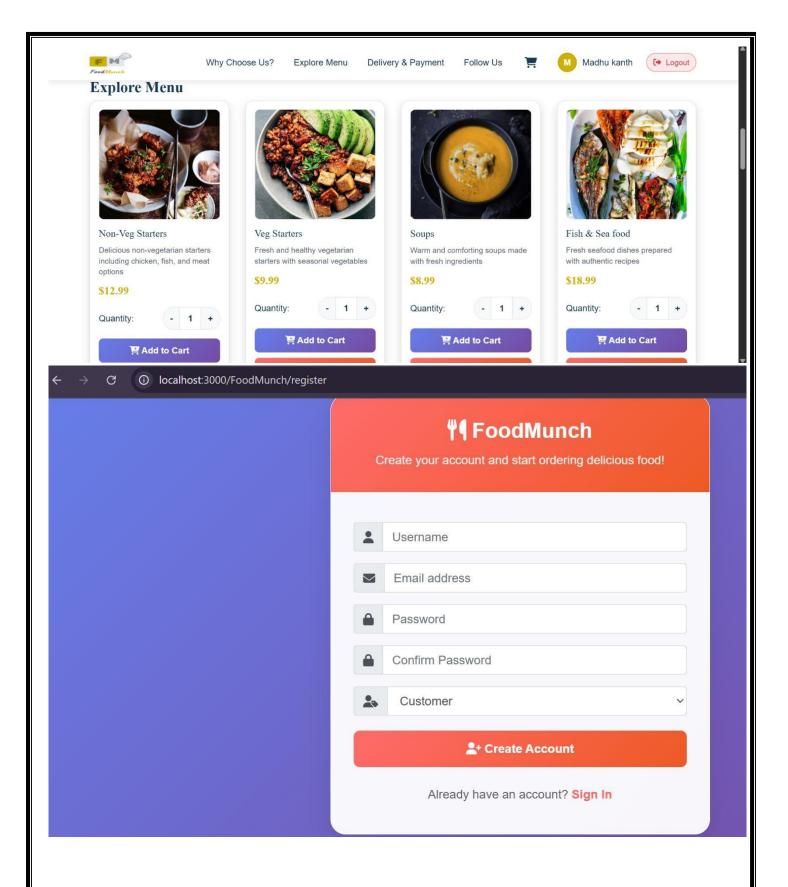
- Built With:
 - Bootstrap 4
 - Font Awesome Icons
 - CSS Animations
- Key Pages:
 - Home Page: Menu categories, hero section, and call-to-action.
 - Login/Register: Forms with validation and API connection.
 - Navbar: Changes based on auth state.
 - o Menu Items: Rendered dynamically using menuItems.js

10. Testing

- Manual Testing: Basic form validation, login/logout flow, and MongoDB integration.
- Tools: Postman for API testing, React Developer Tools for component debugging.

11. Screenshots or Demo





12. Known Issues

- No admin panel for adding/updating menu items
- No role-based access control (admin vs. user)
- Limited form validation on frontend
- Minimal error feedback on failed API calls

13. Future Enhancements
Admin dashboard to manage menu items
Integration with payment gateways (Razorpay/Stripe)
Improved error handling and user feedback
Add unit and integration tests (Jest, Supertest)
Deployment on cloud platforms (Vercel + Render/Heroku)