Project Idea:

This project focuses on building a **comprehensive software testing framework** that integrates both **manual** and **automation testing** for different categories of applications: **web-based applications** and **API-based services**. The purpose is to simulate a real-world software testing environment where both front-end and back-end systems are tested thoroughly to ensure quality, reliability, and user satisfaction.

Project description:

1. SauceDemo (Web Application):

SauceDemo is a sample **e-commerce web application** designed specifically for testing purposes. It provides features such as **user login**, **product catalog**, **shopping cart**, **and checkout process**.

In this project, SauceDemo will be used to demonstrate:

- Manual testing of functional requirements (e.g., verifying login credentials, adding/removing products from the cart, and completing a purchase).
- Automation testing using frameworks like
 Selenium / Cypress / Playwright to cover

regression tests and ensure reliability of the main e-commerce flows.

2. Restful Booker (API):

Restful Booker is a publicly available **RESTful API** designed for practicing API testing. It allows operations like **creating**, **retrieving**, **updating**, **and deleting bookings**.

In this project, Restful Booker will be used to demonstrate:

- Manual API testing using tools like Postman, validating endpoints, response codes, and payload structures.
- Automation of API testing using tools such as Rest Assured / Newman, ensuring consistency and accuracy of responses across multiple scenarios.

By combining both applications, the project showcases a **real-world testing workflow** that covers:

- Front-end (UI/Web) testing through SauceDemo.
- Back-end (API) testing through Restful Booker.

3. Combined Testing Workflow (Why Both Applications?):

By working on both SauceDemo (Web) and Restful Booker (API), the project provides **end-to-end coverage**:

- Front-end testing (UI/Web): Focused on user experience, interface functionality, and overall workflow correctness.
- Back-end testing (API): Focused on server-side logic, data validation, and integration of services.

Together, this demonstrates how modern QA engineers operate:

- First validating visible features from the user's perspective.
- Then validating the **underlying services** that support these features.

Project Significance:

- Highlights the importance of both manual and automated testing in ensuring high-quality applications.
- Prepares a **scalable testing framework** that can be applied to similar projects in real industries.
- Provides practical exposure to **testing tools** widely used in the market (Selenium, Postman, Rest Assured, Cypress, etc.).
- Mimics real-world software testing challenges in e-commerce systems (UI) and booking systems (APIs).