Requirements - <u>link</u> Example Projects - <u>link</u>

1. A project title, group name, and group members' names.

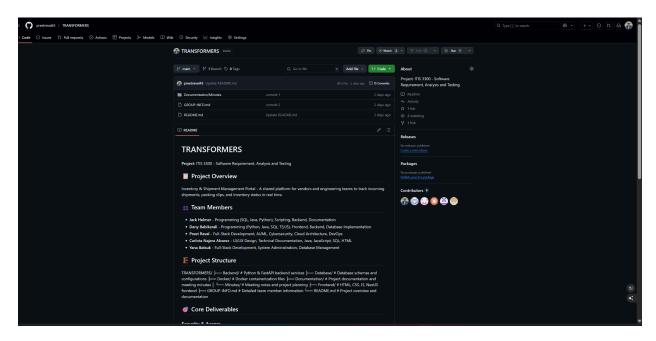
Group Name: "TRANSFORMERS"

Members: Preet Raval, Yana Batsuk, Jack Helmer, Dany Babikerali, Carlota Najera Alvarez

2. A project description: a detailed description of the system you plan to develop, including development environments (language, platform, and so on).

Our project is a centralized inventory and packing slip management system designed to streamline communication between clients and engineering teams. Clients can submit orders, upload packing slips, and receive secure tracking links, while engineers can track incoming inventory, access project-specific documents, and manage stock efficiently. The system features role-based access, audit logs, and optional stretch features like shipment dashboards and barcode scanning. Built with a modern stack—Next.js for frontend, FastAPI with PostgreSQL for backend, and deployed in Docker containers—the platform ensures security, reliability, and ease of use for all stakeholders.

3. A top-level plain text document called README that lists the directory (folder) structure of your project directory (GitHub).



4. A directory (folder) structure that includes areas for the project source code, planning documents, meeting minutes, and project reports (GitHub).

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## 👺 Project Structure
TRANSFORMERS/
   Backend/
                       # Python & FastAPI backend services
   Database/
                       # Database schemas and configurations
   Docker/
                       # Docker containerization files
                       # Project documentation and meeting minutes
   Documentation/
      - Minutes/
                       # Meeting notes and project planning
                       # HTML, CSS, JS, NextJS frontend
   Frontend/
   GROUP-INFO.md
                       # Detailed team member information
   README.md
                      # Project overview and documentation
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5. An initial set of meeting minutes (time, attendees, things discussed, etc.) (GitHub).

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Final Project Outline: Inventory & Shipment Management Portal- Carlota Najera Purpose: Create a shared platform for vendors and engineering teams to track incoming shipments, packing slips, and inventory status in real time.

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Stretch Deliverables

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Barcode Scanning & Tagging - Scan items on arrival to auto-log them into the system - Assign internal tags for location, usage, or team ownership

UI/UX first (Figma)

Frontend: HTML, JS, CSS -> NextJS as needed

Backend: Python & FastAPI Postgres

Hosting and Networking Docker Nginx/Traefik for proxy, Cloudflare for access

6. Create an initial plan that outlines the major timeline for your project and the anticipated milestones. Include a Gantt chart. This document will be modified in later deliverables. While you may not have enough details for a comprehensive plan at this stage, you can conduct a high-level planning exercise and update your Gantt chart according to the major milestones outlined in the document, "Project-Deliverables (Timelines)", posted on Canvas as a guide. Additionally, use a Kanban board in your Trello to track the project schedule, including the progress of each team member and their contributions.

Software

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Backend: Python & FastAPI, Postgres SQL

Deployment: Docker Containers

Gantt Chart



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- 7. Risk management (content described above (i)-(iii)).

a. Scope Creep & Feature Overload

- **Risk:** Adding too many stretch deliverables (e.g., barcode scanning, shipment status dashboard) may delay core features.
- **Monitoring:** Track deliverables weekly in Trello; flag new feature requests.
- **Reassessment:** Revisit the scope at each sprint review.
- Contingency Plan: Prioritize core deliverables first; push stretch goals to the final sprint only if time/resources allow.

b. Integration & System Reliability Issues

- **Risk:** Backend (FastAPI/Postgres) may not integrate smoothly with frontend (Next.js), causing delays or data sync issues.
- **Monitoring:** Track integration checkpoints (API connection, database queries) on a Trello board.
- **Reassessment:** Test API endpoints after each backend sprint.
- Contingency Plan: Develop mock APIs for frontend testing; maintain a fallback simplified database schema.

c. Team Coordination & Time Constraints

- **Risk:** Miscommunication or uneven contributions may slow progress, especially with parallel frontend and backend tasks.
- Monitoring: Weekly stand-ups; assign clear task ownership in Trello.
- **Reassessment:** Review workload distribution at the midpoint and adjust assignments as needed.
- Contingency Plan: If a member falls behind, reallocate tasks and simplify non-essential features to ensure timely delivery.
- 8. A section that describes each team member's roles for the project.

Preet Raval: Docker & Deployment, Backend (FastAPI + Postgres), Project Management

Yana Batsuk: Frontend Development (HTML, CSS, NextJS), UX/UI Design, Testing

Jack Helmer: Documentation, Frontend Support, QA & Testing, Deployment

Dany Babikerali: Backend Programming, Debugging, API Integration

Carlota Najera Alvarez: Database Management, Security & Access Features, Stretch Features