

Project Management System

Business Objective:

To design and develop a scalable project management application that enables teams to efficiently plan, track, and execute projects by centralizing user authentication, project creation, task assignment, progress tracking, and collaboration within a single platform. The system aims to improve productivity, accountability, and visibility across projects while supporting integrations with developer tools and document management workflows.

Core Features:

1. Authentication
 - User registration and secure login (use JWT - sign and verify)
 - Role-based access control (Admin, Manager, Member)
 - Team and workspace support
2. Project Management
 - Create, update, archive projects
 - Project members and permissions
 - Project timelines and milestones
3. Task Management
 - Create, update, delete tasks
 - Task assignment to users
 - Task status workflow (Todo, In Progress, Review, Done)
 - Priority levels and deadlines
4. Collaboration
 - Comments and activity logs on tasks/projects
 - @mentions and notifications
 - File uploads for tasks/projects (docs, images, PDFs)
5. Developer Focused Features
 - GitHub/GitLab integration
6. Productivity & Tracking
 - Task search and filters
 - Due-date reminders and email notifications
 - Time tracking per task (manual start/stop)

Backend Requirements (C# .NET 8):

- Build a REST API with .NET 8Core and Entity Framework Core
- Use PostgreSQL
- Implement authentication using JWT
- Use DataAnnotations for input validation
- Apply separation of concerns(e.g., DTOs,services, models)

API Endpoints:

1. Authentication & User Management
 - a. Auth
 - i. POST /api/auth/register - Register a new user
 - ii. POST /api/auth/login - Authenticate user and issue JWT
 - iii. GET /api/auth/me - Get logged-in user profile (JWT required)
 - b. Roles & Workspaces
 - i. POST /api/workspaces - Create a workspace/team
 - ii. GET /api/workspaces - List workspaces user belongs to
 - iii. POST /api/workspaces/{workspaceId}/members - Add member to workspace (Admin only)
 - iv. PUT /api/workspaces/{workspaceId}/members/{userId} - Update role
 - v. DELETE /api/workspaces/{workspaceId}/members/{userId} - Remove member
2. Project Management
 - a. Projects
 - i. GET /api/projects - Get all projects
 - ii. POST /api/projects - Create a project
 - iii. GET /api/projects/{projectId} - Get project details
 - iv. PUT /api/projects/{projectId} - Update project
 - v. PATCH /api/projects/{projectId}/archive - Archive project
 - vi. DELETE /api/projects/{projectId} - Delete project
 - b. Project Members
 - i. POST /api/projects/{projectId}/members

- ii. GET /api/projects/{projectId}/members
 - iii. PUT /api/projects/{projectId}/members/{userId}
 - iv. DELETE /api/projects/{projectId}/members/{userId}
 - c. Milestones
 - i. POST /api/projects/{projectId}/milestones
 - ii. GET /api/projects/{projectId}/milestones
 - iii. PUT /api/milestones/{milestoneId}
 - iv. DELETE /api/milestones/{milestoneId}
- 3. Task Management
 - a. Tasks
 - i. POST /api/projects/{projectId}/tasks
 - ii. GET /api/projects/{projectId}/tasks
 - iii. GET /api/tasks/{taskId}
 - iv. PUT /api/tasks/{taskId}
 - v. DELETE /api/tasks/{taskId}
 - b. Workflow
 - i. PATCH /api/tasks/{taskId}/assign
 - ii. PATCH /api/tasks/{taskId}/status
 - iii. PATCH /api/tasks/{taskId}/priority
 - iv. PATCH /api/tasks/{taskId}/deadline
- 4. Collaboration
 - a. Comments
 - i. POST /api/tasks/{taskId}/comments
 - ii. GET /api/tasks/{taskId}/comments
 - b. Activity
 - i. GET /api/projects/{projectId}/activity
 - c. Notifications
 - i. GET /api/notifications
 - ii. PATCH /api/notifications/{notificationId}/read
 - d. Files
 - i. POST /api/projects/{projectId}/files
 - ii. POST /api/tasks/{taskId}/files
 - iii. GET /api/files/{fileId}
 - iv. DELETE /api/files/{fileId}

5. Developer Features

a. Git Integration

- i. POST /api/projects/{projectId}/integrations/git
- ii. GET /api/projects/{projectId}/integrations/git

6. Productivity

a. Search

- i. GET /api/tasks/search

b. Time Tracking

- i. POST /api/tasks/{taskId}/time/start
- ii. POST /api/tasks/{taskId}/time/stop
- iii. GET /api/tasks/{taskId}/time

c. Reminders

- i. POST /api/tasks/{taskId}/reminders

Frontend Requirements:

1. Technology Stack Requirements:

- a. **Framework:** React
- b. **Language:** TypeScript
- c. **Styling:** Tailwind CSS
- d. **State Management:** Redux Toolkit
- e. **Routing:** React Router
- f. **API Communication:** Axios
- g. **Auth Handling:** JWT stored securely (HttpOnly cookie or memory)
- h. **Build Tooling:** Vite
- i. **Linting & Formatting:** ESLint + Prettier

2. Authentication & Authorization UI

a. Features

- i. User **Register** and **Login** screens
- ii. JWT-based session handling
- iii. Protected routes (no token = no entry)
- iv. Auto logout on token expiry
- v. Role-based UI rendering:
 - 1. **Admin:** full access
 - 2. **Manager:** project & task control

3. **Member:** task execution only

b. Screens

- i. Login Page
- ii. Register Page
- iii. Unauthorized / Access Denied Page

3. Workspace & Team Management

a. Features

- i. Create and switch between workspaces
- ii. View workspace members with roles
- iii. Add / remove members (Admin only)
- iv. Update member roles dynamically

b. Screens

- i. Workspace Selector
- ii. Workspace Settings
- iii. Members Management Panel

4. Project Management UI

a. Features

- i. Create, edit, archive, and delete projects
- ii. Assign members to projects
- iii. View project timeline and milestones
- iv. Project-level permissions

b. Screens

- i. Project Dashboard (list + status)
- ii. Project Detail Page
- iii. Project Settings Page
- iv. Milestones View (timeline style)

5. Task Management Interface

a. Features

- i. Create, update, delete tasks
- ii. Assign tasks to users
- iii. Priority levels (Low, Medium, High)
- iv. Deadline picker
- v. Status workflow: Todo → In Progress → Review → Done

- b. Screens
 - i. Task List View
 - ii. Task Detail Drawer / Page
- 6. Collaboration & Communication
 - a. Features
 - i. Comment system on tasks
 - ii. Real-time activity logs
 - iii. @mentions highlighting users
 - iv. File uploads (docs, images, PDFs)
 - v. File preview & download support
 - b. Screens
 - i. Task Comments Panel
 - ii. Project Activity Feed
 - iii. File Manager Section
- 7. Notifications System
 - a. Features
 - i. In-app notifications list
 - ii. Mark notifications as read
 - iii. Due-date reminders
 - iv. Role-based notification filtering
 - b. UI Components
 - i. Notification Bell
 - ii. Notification Drawer / Page
- 8. Developer Integrations
 - a. Features
 - i. GitHub/GitLab integration UI
 - ii. Connect repository to project
 - iii. Display commit history & links
 - b. Screens
 - i. Integrations Page
 - ii. Repo Connection Modal
- 9. Productivity & Tracking
 - a. Features
 - i. Time tracking (start/stop per task)

- ii. Time summary per task
- iii. Global task search
- iv. Filters by:
 - 1. Status
 - 2. Priority
 - 3. Deadline
 - 4. Assignee

b. Screens

- i. Search Results Page
- ii. Time Tracking Panel

10. Error Handling & UX Standards

- a. Global error boundary
- b. API error messages mapped cleanly to UI
- c. Loading skeletons (not spinners everywhere)
- d. Empty states with guidance
- e. Responsive design (desktop-first, tablet-ready)

11. Non-Functional Frontend Requirements

- a. Modular component structure
- b. Reusable UI components
- c. Accessibility (ARIA labels, keyboard navigation)
- d. Optimized API calls (debounce search, pagination)
- e. Environment-based configs (dev/prod)

12. Folder Structure

a. Frontend

```
src/
├─ api/
├─ components/
├─ pages/
├─ hooks/
├─ store/
├─ routes/
├─ utils/
├─ styles/
└─ assets/
```

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b. Backend

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backend/  
├─ Controllers/  
├─ Services/  
├─ Models/  
├─ DTOs/  
├─ Program.cs  
└─ appsettings.json
```

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13.Security Requirements

- a. No sensitive data in localStorage
- b. JWT refreshed securely
- c. Input validation on frontend (basic sanity checks)
- d. XSS-safe rendering for comments