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Phase 2 — Solution Design & Architecture

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This document presents the solution design and architecture for a To-Do List Application. It covers tech stack selection, UI structure, API schema, data handling, component diagrams, flowcharts, and an example program to implement the backend.

1. Tech Stack Selection

- Frontend: React.js + Tailwind CSS
- Backend: Node.js + Express.js
- Database: MongoDB (Atlas)
- Authentication: JWT
- Hosting: Vercel/Netlify (Frontend), Render/Heroku (Backend)

2. UI Structure

- Login / Signup Page
- Dashboard (Task List)
- Task Input Form (Title, Description, Deadline, Priority)
- Task Item (Edit / Delete / Complete)
- Filter & Sort

3. API Schema Design

Auth APIs:

- POST /auth/signup → Register user
- POST /auth/login → Login and return JWT

Task APIs:

- GET /tasks → Fetch all tasks for a user
- POST /tasks → Create a new task
- PUT /tasks/:id → Update task
- PATCH /tasks/:id/complete → Mark task as completed
- DELETE /tasks/:id → Delete task

Example Backend (Node.js + Express) - Minimal Server

```
// server.js
const express = require('express');
const mongoose = require('mongoose');
const bodyParser = require('body-parser');
const jwt = require('jsonwebtoken');
const app = express();
app.use(bodyParser.json());

// Mongoose models (simplified)
const taskSchema = new mongoose.Schema({
  userId: mongoose.Types.ObjectId,
  title: String,
  description: String,
  deadline: Date,
  priority: String,
  status: { type: String, default: 'Pending' },
  createdAt: { type: Date, default: Date.now }
});
const Task = mongoose.model('Task', taskSchema);

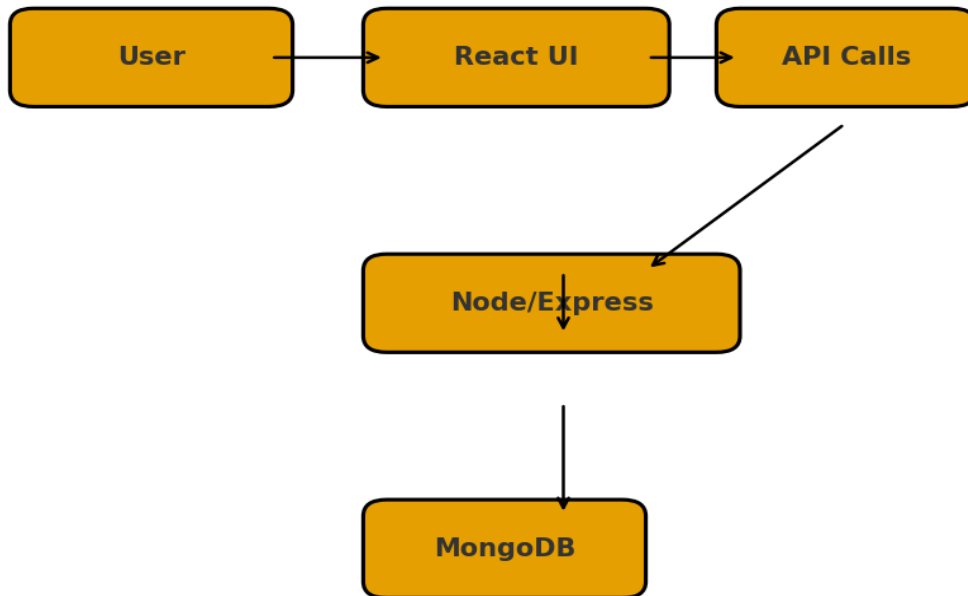
// Routes (simplified)
app.post('/tasks', async (req, res) => {
  const task = new Task(req.body);
  await task.save();
  res.status(201).json(task);
});
app.get('/tasks', async (req, res) => {
  const tasks = await Task.find({ userId: req.query.userId });
  res.json(tasks);
});

// Start (replace with your MongoDB URI)
mongoose.connect(process.env.MONGO_URI || 'mongodb://localhost:27017/todo_app')
  .then(() => app.listen(3000, () => console.log('Server running on port 3000')))
  .catch(err => console.error(err));
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4. Diagrams

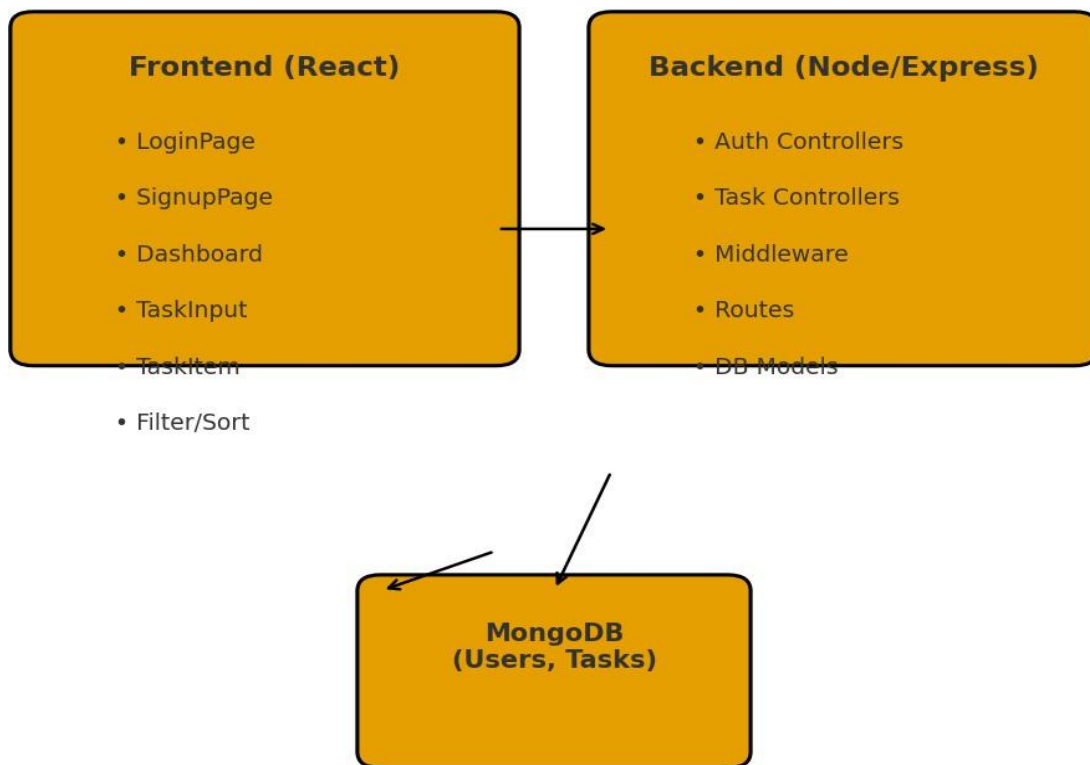
Basic Flow Diagram

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Component / Module Diagram

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5. Data Handling Approach

- Frontend: React hooks (useState, useEffect) or Context for global state; Axios for API calls.
- Backend: Express middleware for validation (e.g., Joi), JWT for auth, structured controllers.
- Database: MongoDB with Mongoose models for Users and Tasks.
- Security: Store JWT in HTTP-only cookies, validate inputs, and use rate limiting in production.

This 5-page document provides a concise, presentation-ready overview of Phase 2 for the To-Do List application, including diagrams and an example backend program to get started.