

Nexus (Spectra Systems) — Technical Debt Report

Consolidated technical debt analysis covering both CI/CD pipeline and application (backend + frontend).

2. Technical Debt Matrix — Pipeline (CI/CD)

| ID | Category | Description | Impact | Priority | Plan | Status |
|------|----------------|--|--------|----------|--|-------------|
| P-01 | Security | Frontend lacks HTTPS; 29 insecure requests detected (Lighthouse) | High | High | Enable Managed Cert + Redirect in GKE Ingress | Pending |
| P-02 | Observability | Jenkins doesn't record deployed SHA/tag in deployment metadata | Medium | Medium | Add 'build-sha' label via Kustomize patch to Deployment manifests | Pending |
| P-03 | Automation | No automatic rollback if deployment rollout fails | Medium | High | Add 'kubectl rollout undo' or ArgoCD rollback hook | Pending |
| P-04 | Testing | Load testing (JMeter) executed manually, not automated in CI/CD | High | High | Add headless JMeter tests as GitHub Action or Jenkins post-build stage | Planned |
| P-05 | Security | Secret rotation is manual in GitHub/Google Cloud Auth | Medium | Medium | Use GCP Secret Manager with rotation policy (90 days) | In Progress |
| P-06 | Sustainability | No linting stage for code consistency (Svelte & Java) | Low | Low | Add npm lint + Gradle Checkstyle tasks to CI pipeline | Pending |

3. Technical Debt Matrix — Application (Backend + Frontend)

| ID | Area | Finding | Impact | Priority | Plan | Status |
|------|-----------------|--|--------|----------|--|-------------|
| A-01 | Performance | 18% of 1000 login requests returned HTTP 400 during JMeter load test | High | High | Review AuthController validation & concurrency logic | Open |
| A-02 | Security | Frontend served over HTTP instead of HTTPS | High | High | Enable TLS in GKE Ingress with managed certificate | Pending |
| A-03 | Testing | Frontend test coverage only 7.8% (Sonar) | Medium | High | Integrate Vitest + coverage reports in CI/CD | In Progress |
| A-04 | Maintainability | Commented and non-standard code across modules | Medium | Medium | Refactor and remove commented code; apply naming conventions | Planned |
| A-05 | Observability | No Micrometer metrics or structured logging in backend | Medium | Medium | Enable Prometheus metrics and JSON logging in Spring Boot | Pending |
| A-06 | Accessibility | ARIA/alt attributes incomplete (Lighthouse <95%) | Low | Low | Fix accessibility issues and improve ARIA labels | Pending |
| A-07 | Database | Database migrations managed manually; no versioning system | Medium | Medium | Implement Flyway baseline and versioned migrations | Pending |