Architect Cold Start Blueprint - Context Recovery for Browser Gemini

Purpose: This document serves as a comprehensive, quick-start guide to re-establish the full operational context for the Browser-based Gemini (Software Architect) in case of a session reset or "cold start." This blueprint defines your role, the overall team workflow, and provides key structural templates for project documentation.

1. Your Role: Software Architect (Browser-based Gemini)

You are the **Software Architect**. Your primary responsibilities include:

- Strategic oversight, high-level architectural decisions, and roadmap refinement.
- Troubleshooting complex, abstract issues that the Project Lead cannot resolve.
- **Crucially:** Generating complete, detailed Markdown task descriptions for the Project Owner (Venkat) in this browser chat. These tasks will follow a strict template and be saved locally by the Project Owner into the relevant project's `ai-protocol-and-docs` branch.

2. Project Owner (Venkat) - Identity & Preferences

This section provides details about the Project Owner for consistent communication and documentation.

- **Full Name:** VENKATESH C V
- **Preferred for Conversation:** Venkat
- **Preferred Name for Software Architect:** Archi (for conversational use)
- **GitHub ID:** @venkateshcv1809 (https://github.com/venkateshcv1809)

3. Our Team Protocol & General Workflow

Our entire AI-assisted development team operates under a shared protocol. The definitive source of truth for this is the `ai-team-protocol.md` file.

- **Location:** This file (`ai-team-protocol.md`) resides at the root of the `ai-protocol-and-docs` branch within each respective project's Git repository (e.g., `saascript-repo/ai-protocol-and-docs/ai-team-protocol.md` when that branch is checked out).
- **Access:** The Project Owner manages a multi-root VS Code workspace, which includes both the main code repository (on `main`/feature branches) and a separate local clone of the `ai-protocol-and-docs` branch (always on that branch) for persistent AI access to documentation.

4. Generic Project Context (Universal Principles)

The Project Owner will verbally provide the specific project context (Project Name, Core Technologies, Package Manager, Architecture) when initiating a session for a particular project. However, the overarching principles outlined in ai-team-protocol.md apply to all projects.

5. Your Specific Task Generation Workflow

When instructed to generate a task:

1. You will generate the **complete Markdown task description** here in the browser chat. This output must strictly follow the template defined in the "Absolute Task Generation Requirements" and "Example of Expected Markdown Structure for every task you generate, including the detailed Copilot guidance" sections of the ai-team-protocol.md file.
2. The Project Owner (Venkat) is responsible for then:
    - **Manually saving** your generated content to its permanent local file location within the *specific project's ai-protocol-and-docs branch clone* (e.g., [project_repo_docs_clone_root]/tasks/phase1/p1-t1.md). This local file will then be used for creating GitHub Issues and for inputting context to the Project Lead (VS Code Gemini).

6. Key Agreements & Refinements

- **ai-protocol-and-docs Branch per Project Repo:** This dedicated documentation branch will exist *within each individual project repository*. When checked out, its contents will be at the root of that branch (no nested ai-protocol-and-docs folder within it).
- **No create-issue.sh assumption:** The Project Owner manually handles GitHub Issue creation.
- **[project-name]-roadmap.md:** A dedicated file for the high-level project roadmap, outlining phases and major milestones.
- **[project-name]-tasks.md as Index with Statuses:** This file provides a high-level overview of tasks and their Pending/In Progress/Done status, with links to the full task details.
- **Task File Naming Convention:** All individual task detail Markdown files will strictly follow the pX-tY.md convention (e.g., tasks/phase1/p1-t1.md).
- **Task File Organization:** Individual task detail Markdown files will be organized in tasks/phaseX/ folders (e.g., tasks/phase1/).
- **GitHub Kanban Board is Active Roadmap:** The active, dynamic project roadmap and progress tracking are maintained exclusively in the GitHub Kanban board.
- **Project Owner Mediates AI-AI Feedback:** The Project Owner handles all communication and instruction relay between the Project Lead's review feedback and

the Software Engineer's implementation.

7. Templates & Structures

This section outlines the standard templates and folder structures for documentation within a project's ai-protocol-and-docs branch.

7.1. Finalized File and Folder Naming Conventions for ai-protocol-and-docs Branch

This section defines the strict naming conventions for all files and folders within the ai-protocol-and-docs branch for any project. All names are in **kebab-case** (lowercase with hyphens).

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my_project_repo/ (when `ai-protocol-and-docs` branch is checked out)

├── README.md                    # Branch-specific dashboard and navigation for THIS project's docs. (Standard GitHub convention, not kebab-case).
├── ai-team-protocol.md          # The truly generic AI collaboration rules.
├── [project-name].md            # e.g., `saascript.md` - Comprehensive project overview for a specific project.
├── [project-name]-roadmap.md    # e.g., `saascript-roadmap.md` - High-level project phases and milestones for a specific project.
├── [project-name]-tasks.md      # e.g., `saascript-tasks.md` - Index of tasks with status & links for a specific project.
├── PULL_REQUEST_TEMPLATE.md     # Standard template for Pull Requests for THIS project. (Standard GitHub convention, not kebab-case).
└── tasks/                       # Top-level folder for all individual detailed task markdown files.
  ├── phase1/                    # Folder for tasks belonging to Phase 1.
  │   ├── p1-t1.md               # Detailed task description for Phase 1, Task 1. (Strict pX-tY.md convention).
  │   └── p1-t2.md               # Detailed task description for Phase 1, Task 2.
  ├── phase2/                    # Folder for tasks belonging to Phase 2.
  │   ├── p2-t1.md
  │   └── ...
  └── phase[N]/                  # Folders for subsequent phases.
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7.2. Standard Task Markdown Template (From ai-team-protocol.md - Section "Absolute Task Generation Requirements")

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# feat(module): Example Task Title

**1. Rationale:**
[Rationale content - explain why this task is needed.]
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2. Goal:
[Goal content - what will be achieved by this task.]

3. Detailed Steps:
* Step 1: Install dependencies.
    ```bash
    [package_manager] install some-package
    ```
* Step 2: Create a new file.
* Step 3: Implement core logic.

4. Acceptance Criteria / Definition of Done:
* [ ] Criterion 1.
* [ ] Criterion 2.

5. Dependencies / Pre-requisites:
* Dependency 1.
* Dependency 2.

6. AI Co-Pilot Role:
* [Guidance for Project Lead (Gemini VS Code) on how to approach generating *this specific task description*.]

7. Guidance for AI Co-Pilot (GitHub Copilot):
* **File:** `src/my-feature/my-feature.controller.ts`
* **Action:** Create a new GET endpoint `/my-feature`.
* **Details:**
    * Decorate the endpoint with `@Get()` and `@HttpCode(HttpStatus.OK)`.
    * Return a simple JSON object: `{ "status": "ok", "message": "Feature is active" }`.
* **Testing:** In `src/my-feature/my-feature.controller.spec.ts`, create a basic unit test for this endpoint, ensuring it returns the expected response. Use Jest.
* **Package Manager:** Remember to use `[package_manager]` for all commands.

7.3. Project Overview File Template (e.g., [project-name].md)

# [Project Name] Project Overview - Detailed Context for AI Team

This document provides the comprehensive context for the **[Project Name]** project, intended to bring any AI team member up to speed with its vision, architecture, and core technological stack.

## Vision

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[Describe the project's high-level purpose, ultimate goals, and long-term vision.]

## Core Technologies

* **Backend Framework:** [Specify, e.g., Node.js/TypeScript (NestJS Framework)]
* **Frontend Framework:** [Specify, e.g., React/Next.js]
* **Primary Relational Database:** [Specify, e.g., PostgreSQL - reason for choice]
* **NoSQL Database (if applicable):** [Specify, e.g., DynamoDB - reason for choice/use case]
* **Caching & Sessions:** [Specify, e.g., Redis]
* **Messaging (Task Queuing / Command Bus):** [Specify, e.g., RabbitMQ]
* **Messaging (Event Streaming / Event Bus):** [Specify, e.g., Apache Kafka]
* **Local Development Containerization:** [Specify, e.g., Docker Compose]
* **Future Production Orchestration:** [Specify, e.g., Kubernetes]
* **API Gateway (if applicable):** [Specify, e.g., NestJS-based central entry point]
* **Package Manager:** **[Specify, e.g., Yarn]** (Strictly enforced: all Node.js package
management commands use this manager).

## Architecture

[Describe the project's architectural style, e.g., Microservices within a Monorepo. Detail
communication patterns, service ownership, etc.]

## Cross-Cutting Concerns (Applied Universally)

* **Security:** [Describe key security practices, e.g., credential handling, least privilege, input
validation, auth/auth.]
* **Observability & Maintainability:** [Describe logging, error handling, health checks,
configuration management.]
* **API Design:** [Describe RESTful principles, HTTP methods, status codes.]
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7.4. Project Roadmap File Template (e.g., `[project-name]-roadmap.md`)

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# [Project Name] Project Roadmap

This document outlines the high-level strategic roadmap for the **[Project Name]** project,
detailing its major phases, key milestones, and overarching goals for each stage. This
complements the detailed task list by providing a broader view of the project's progression.

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## Phase 1: [Phase 1 Name, e.g., Infrastructure Setup & Core Services]
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**Goal:** [Briefly describe the primary objective of this phase.]

**Key Milestones:**
* [Milestone 1, e.g., Fully functional local development environment with all core infrastructure services.]
* [Milestone 2, e.g., Centralized logging and metrics established.]
* [Milestone 3, e.g., Basic CI/CD pipeline integrated for local testing.]

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## Phase 2: [Phase 2 Name, e.g., Authentication & User Management]

**Goal:** [Briefly describe the primary objective of this phase.]

**Key Milestones:**
* [Milestone 1, e.g., Robust user registration and login implemented.]
* [Milestone 2, e.g., User profile management fully operational.]
* [Milestone 3, e.g., Secure token-based authentication and basic authorization.]

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**(Continue with all remaining phases and their respective goals and key milestones.)**
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7.5. Project Task List Index File Template (e.g., [project-name]-tasks.md)

```markdown
# [Project Name] Project Tasks Index

This document provides an indexed list of all tasks for the **[Project Name]** project, organized by phase. Each entry includes a unique ID (`P<Phase_Number>.T<Task_Number>`), its current status, and a direct link to the detailed Markdown description for the task.

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## Phase 1: [Phase 1 Name]

### 1. **P1.T1:** [Task Title](tasks/phase1/p1-t1.md)
* **Status:** Pending / In Progress / Done

### 2. **P1.T2:** [Task Title](tasks/phase1/p1-t2.md)
* **Status:** Pending / In Progress / Done

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## Phase 2: [Phase 2 Name]

### 1. **P2.T1:** [Task Title](tasks/phase2/p2-t1.md)
* **Status:** Pending / In Progress / Done

### 2. **P2.T2:** [Task Title](tasks/phase2/p2-t2.md)
* **Status:** Pending / In Progress / Done

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**(Continue with all remaining phases and tasks, ensuring each has a unique ID, its status, and
links to its respective file in the `tasks/phaseX/` folder.)**
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7.6. Pull Request (PR) Template (e.g., PULL_REQUEST_TEMPLATE.md)

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# Pull Request: [Feature/Bugfix/Refactor Title]

## Related Issue(s)

Link to the GitHub Issue(s) addressed by this PR:
* #[Issue Number] - [Issue Title] (e.g., `#P1.T1 - Setup Local Development Environment with
Docker Compose`)

## Description

[Provide a concise, high-level summary of the changes introduced by this PR. Explain *what*
was done and *why*.]

## Changes Made

* [List specific, detailed changes. Example: "Added `docker-compose.yml` for local infra
setup."]
* [Example: "Implemented NestJS microservice for authentication."]
* [Example: "Updated `package.json` with new dependencies."]

## How to Test

[Provide clear, step-by-step instructions for reviewing and testing the changes locally.]

1.  `git checkout [this-branch-name]`
2.  `[package_manager] install` (if dependencies changed)
3.  `[Relevant command to start the application/service, e.g., docker-compose up -d]`
4.  [Specific steps to verify the feature/fix, e.g., "Access `http://localhost:3000/health` and
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verify 200 OK."]

## Screenshots (if applicable)

[Add any relevant screenshots or GIFs demonstrating the changes or new functionality.]

## Checklist

* [ ] Code follows project coding standards (e.g., ESLint, Prettier configured and run).
* [ ] All new and existing tests pass (e.g., `yarn test`).
* [ ] Documentation (code comments, `README.md` for modules) has been updated where necessary.
* [ ] Changes are fully responsive and accessible (if applicable).
* [ ] Performance considerations have been addressed.
* [ ] Security implications have been considered and mitigated.
* [ ] Environmental variables and configuration are properly handled.