

A decorative graphic on the left side of the slide features several green leaves of varying sizes and shades of green, arranged in a cluster. There are also several solid green circles of different sizes scattered around the leaves. The largest leaf is in the center, showing detailed vein structure. Other leaves are partially visible at the bottom and left edges. The circles are in various shades of green, from light to dark.

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# Project Goals



# Broader Impacts

- 30-60% of the world is employed in agriculture
- Agriculture outputs increased 20% in the last decade
- Despite this, 11% of US households are food-insecure
- This is in part due to the growing food deserts in cities



# Our Solution

- Easy-to-use app and greenhouse combination that allows non-technical users to grow hydroponic food
- App walks users through setting up, monitoring, and harvesting
- Greenhouse monitors pH, EC, water levels, pumps and lights.
- Backend collects data from greenhouse, does necessary computations, and surfaces data for frontend

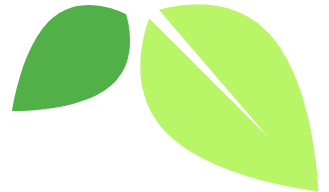


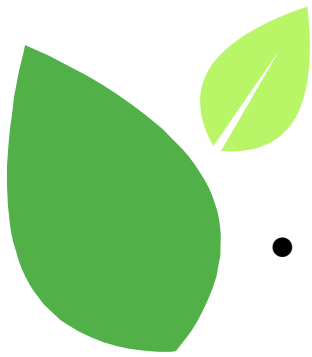
# Project Requirements



# Sensor Grid Requirements

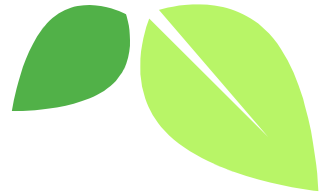
- Collect data from sensor array and make adjustments live
  - Water Levels, pH, Electrical Conductivity
  - Activate water and nutrient pumps, and LEDs
  - Receive adjustments from the backend system
- Stable DC power system
  - Rectify 120V AC to 12V DC
  - Backup system stretch goal
- Stand alone SOC (System on Chip)
  - Connects Sensor Grid to backend system
  - Sends signal for adjustments to MCU and Sensors
- MCU (Microcontroller unit) and PCB (Printed Circuit Board)
  - AVR-RISC based microcontroller which can collect sensor readings
  - A custom PCB houses connections to MCU to Sensor Grid

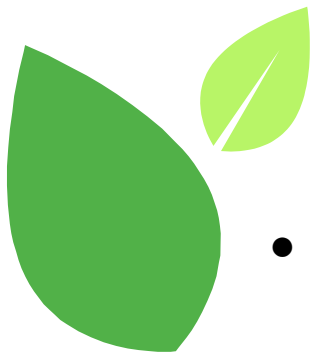




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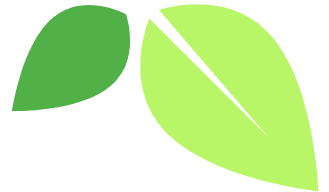
- Receive sensor readings from sensor grid
  - Water level, pH, electrical conductivity
  - General greenhouse data
- Receive specific information from the app
  - Greenhouse/tier changes
- Retrieve/store data in MySQL database
  - Sensor readings
  - Greenhouse and tier information
- Send data to app
  - Sensor readings
  - Greenhouse and tier information
- Authentication



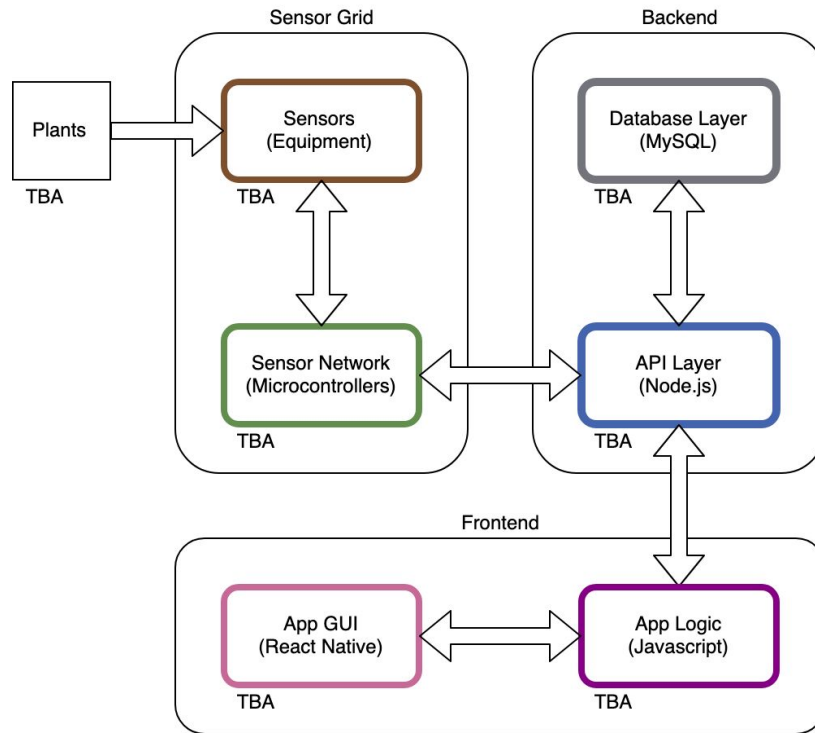


# Frontend Requirements

- Retrieve information from back end
  - Greenhouse and tier data
  - User Login and authentication
- Display greenhouse in easy-to-understand ways
  - Greenhouse display
  - Tier Display
- Provide notifications for user action
  - Refill tanks
  - Running on battery power
  - Harvest food
- Easy setup of new greenhouses
- Step-by-step instructions for actions







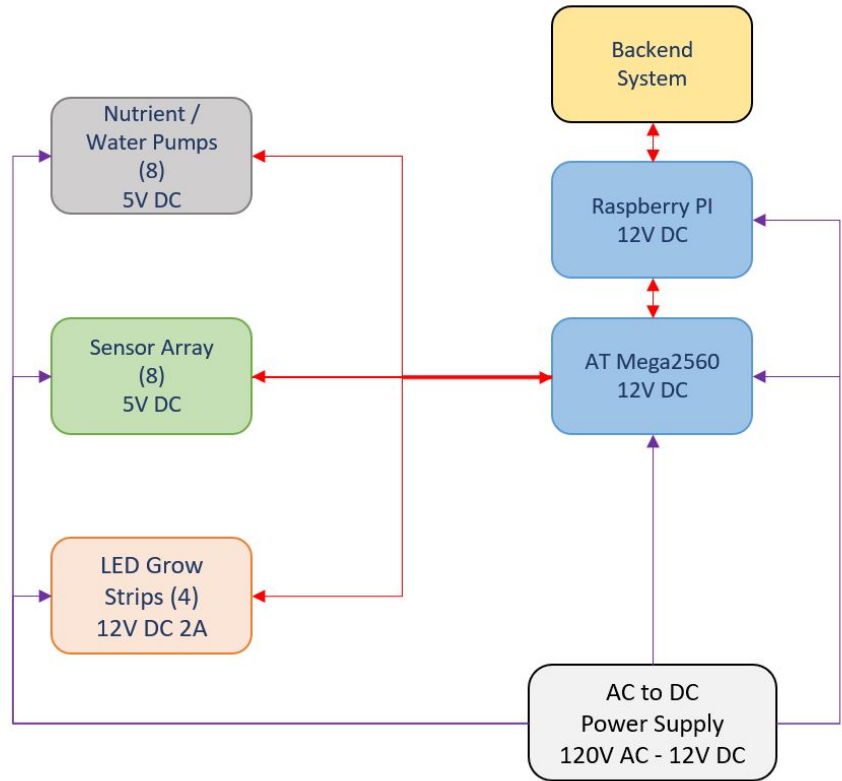
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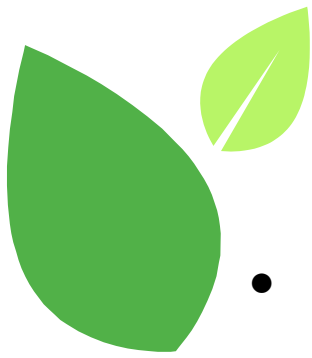
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**Greenhouse**

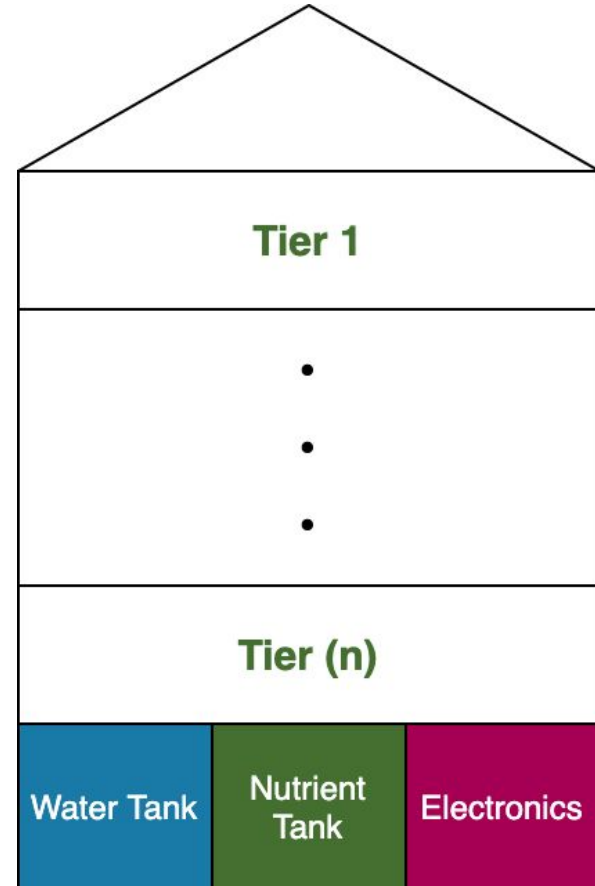
# Greenhouse Overview





# Greenhouse Overview

- Greenhouse contains the Sensor Grid and Power Grid
  - Electronics
    - Sensor Grid
      - Input Array
      - Output Array
    - Power Grid
  - Water Tank
  - Nutrient Tank
- Layout subject to change

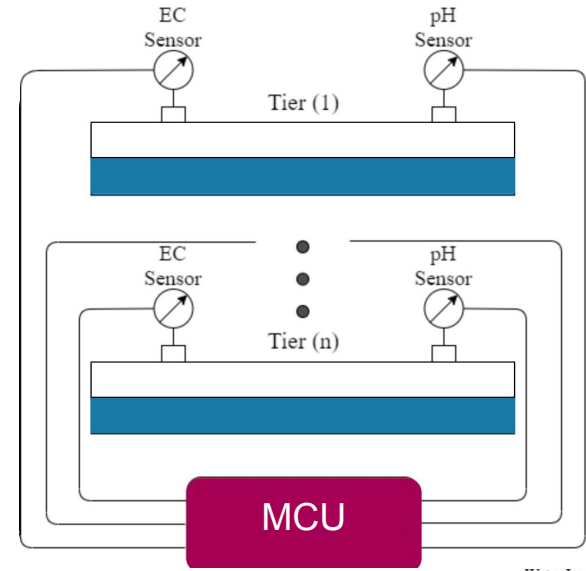




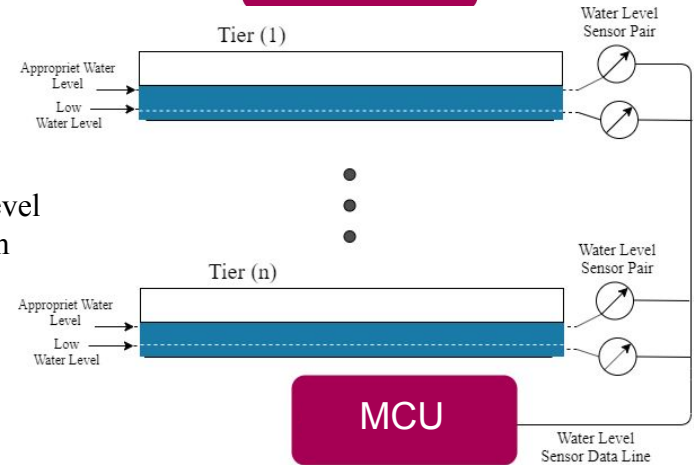
# Input Array

- SOC requests data from MCU hourly
- Uses the EC, pH and Water Level sensors
- SOC sends data to API and returns what the expected values should be

pH and EC Sensor System



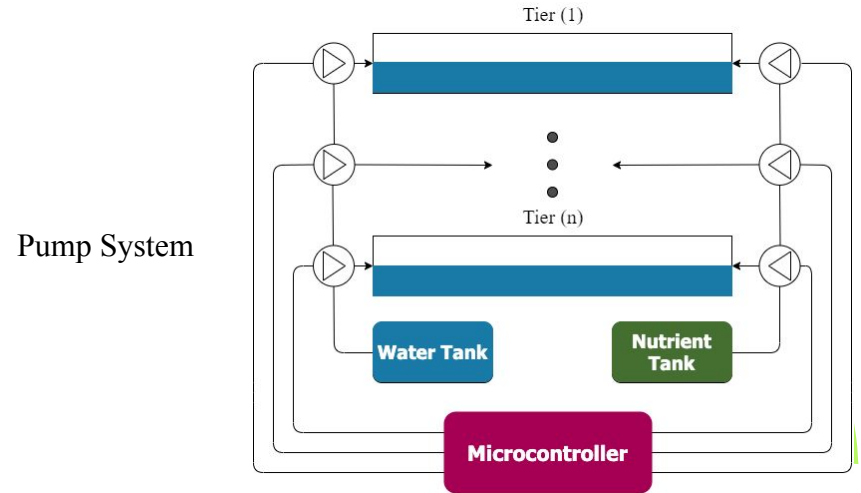
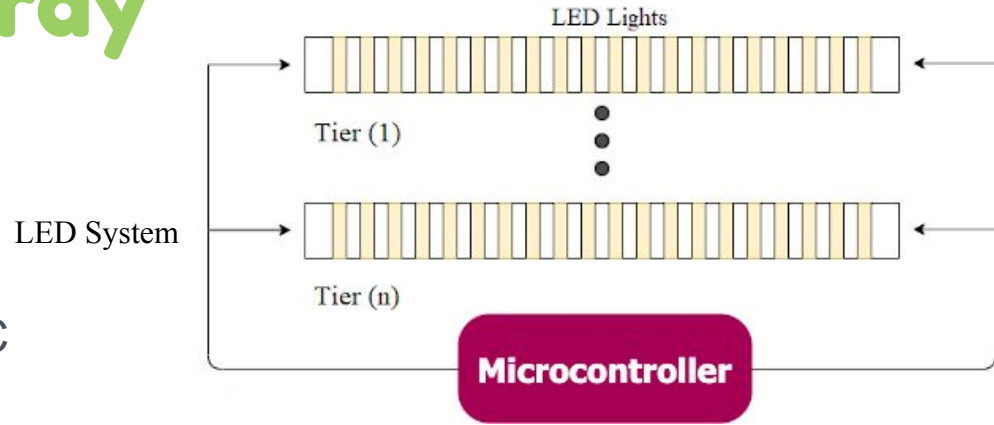
Water Level System





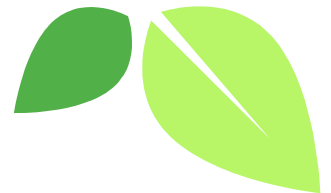
# Output Array

- Receives data from SOC
- Activates or deactivates the LED's, Water pumps, or Nutrient Pumps



# TDS Sensor

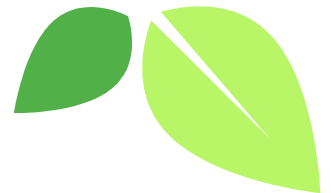
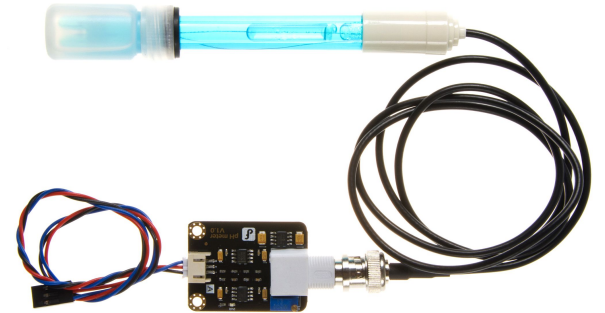
Model	Gravity: Analog TDS Sensor
Input Voltage	3.3V ~ 5.5V
Output Voltage	0V ~ 2.3V
Working Current	3mA ~ 6mA
Measurement Range	0ppm ~ 1000ppm
Price	\$11.80





# pH Sensor

Model	Gravity: Analog pH Sensor
Input Voltage	3.3V ~ 5.5V
Output Voltage	0V ~ 3.0V
Measurement Range	0pH - 14pH
Measurement Accuracy	$\pm 0.1$ @ 25°C
Price	\$29.50

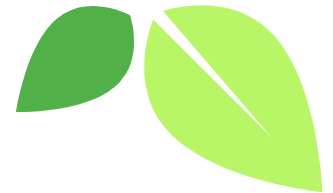






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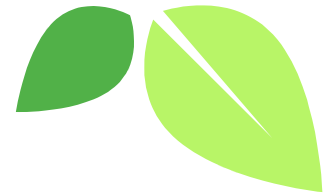
Model Number	DP5200
Breakdown Voltage	220V
Max Current Switching	0.5A
Temperature Rating	-10°C ~ 85°C
Price	\$1.83





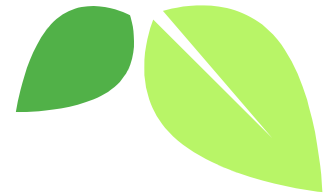
# Microcontroller

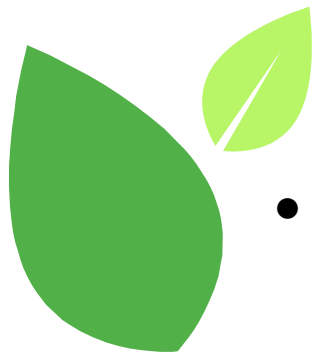
Chip	Microchip AT Mega2560
Flash	256KB
RAM	8KB
Clock Speed	16 MHz
GPIO	86
Analog Pins	16
Communication	UART/SPI/USB
Price	\$28.50 per Dev Board \$11.85 per Chip



# Raspberry Pi

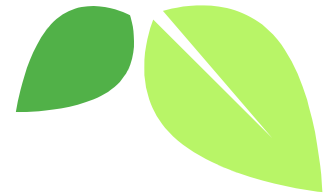
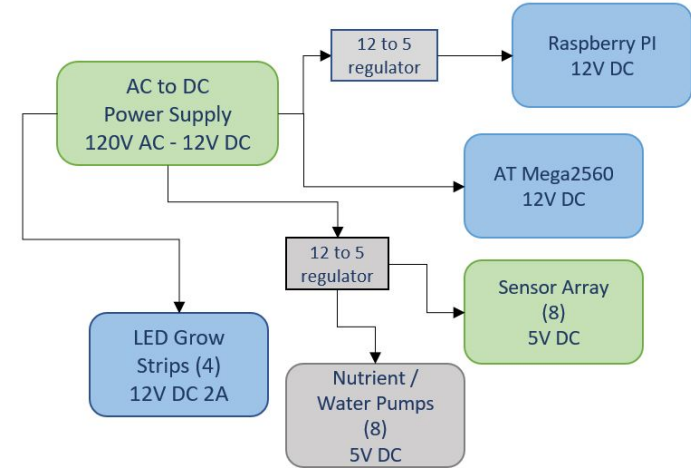
System	Raspberry Pi 3 B+
Clock Speed	1.4GHz
RAM	1GB LPDDR2 SDRAM
Wireless	2.4GHz/5GHz IEEE 802.11 Bluetooth 4.2
Supported OS	Raspbian, Ubuntu Core, Manjaro ARM, many more
Communication	UART/SPI/USB
Price	\$35.00 per unit





# Power System

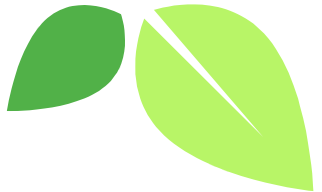
- 120V AC Power Input
  - Split into three 12V DC outputs
- Three 12V branches
  - MCU and SOC
  - LEDs
  - Sensors and Pumps
- Must not exceed 240 Watts for all components





# Power Supply

	LEDMO Switching Converter Power Supply
Input	AC 100V/240V 50/60 Hz
Output	DC 12V ( $\pm 10\%$ ) 20A (240W)
Working Temperature	20° to 60° Celcius
Size	7.83 in X 4.33 in X 1.88 in
Price	\$21.99 price per unit



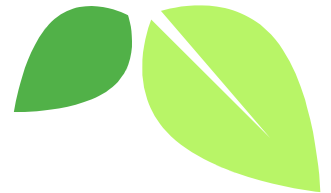


## Successes

Communication to API  
MCU to SOC Communication  
Sensor component  
communication

## Difficulties

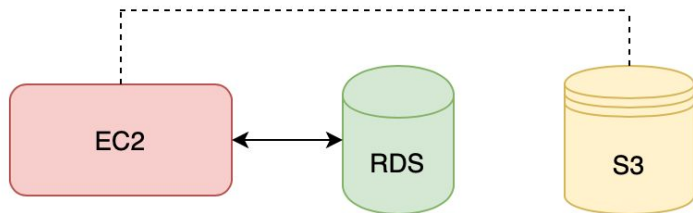
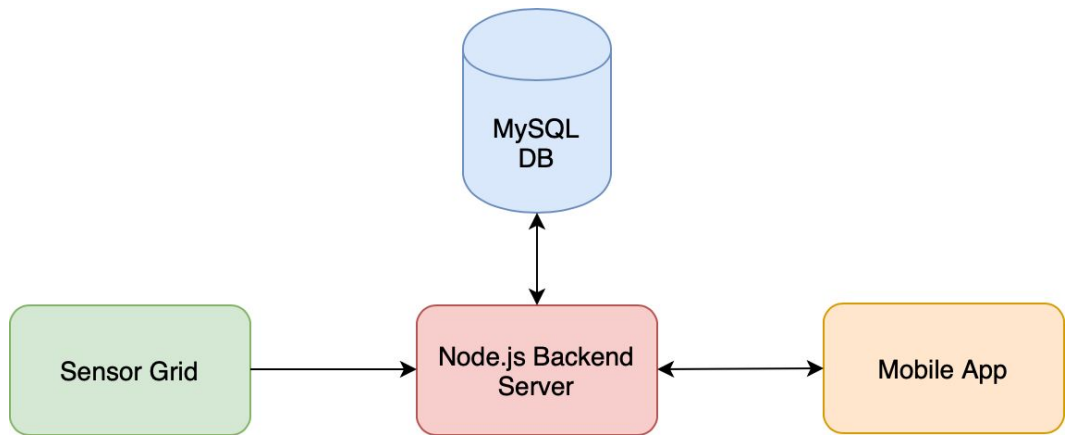
Power Management  
Heat Distribution for LEDs  
Spatial Distribution for  
Components





**Backend**

# Overall Design

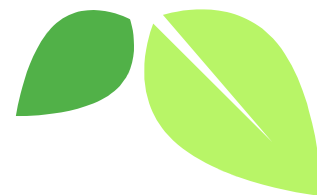
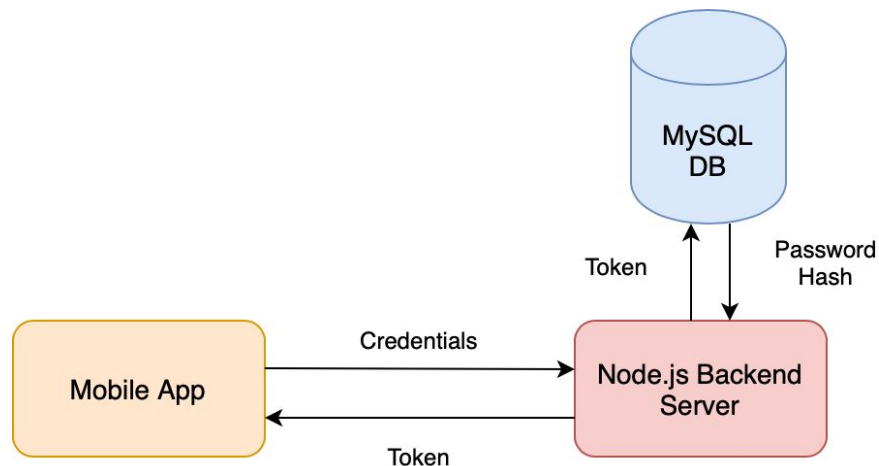






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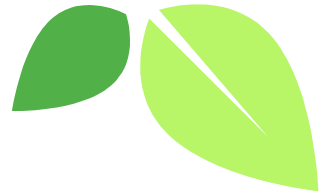
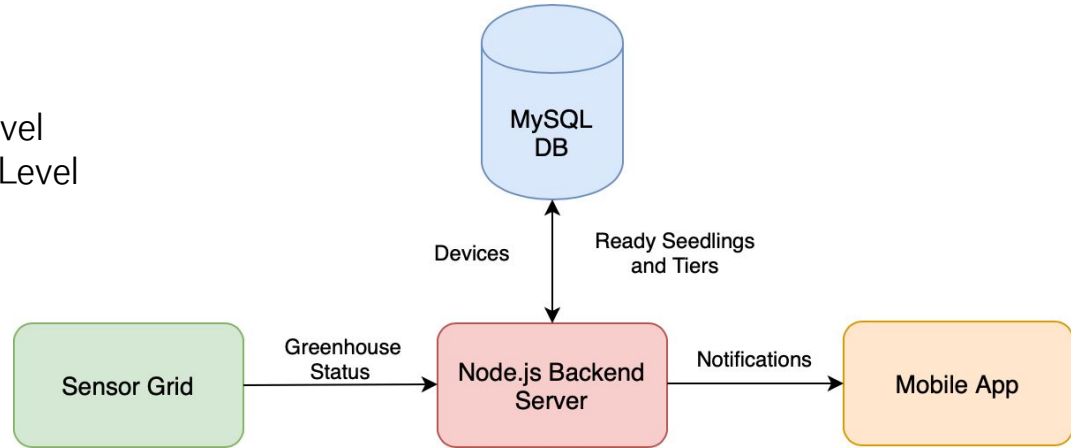
- Authentication & Authorization
  - Active Sessions
  - user\_id columns
- Interaction with MySQL Database
  - mysql package
  - Connection Pool
  - Queries
  - Transactions
- API Endpoint Groups
  - /auth
  - /mobileapp
  - /sensorgrid
  - /adminportal

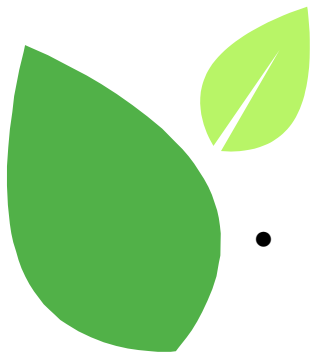




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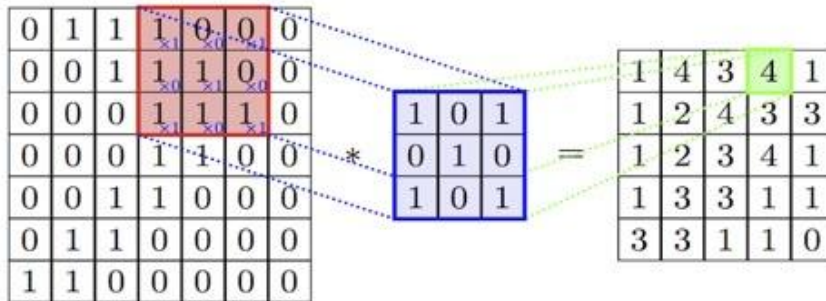
- Notification Delivery to Mobile App
  - Transplant Seedlings
  - Ready to Harvest
  - Greenhouse Status
    - Power Source
    - Water Tank Level
    - Nutrient Tank Level



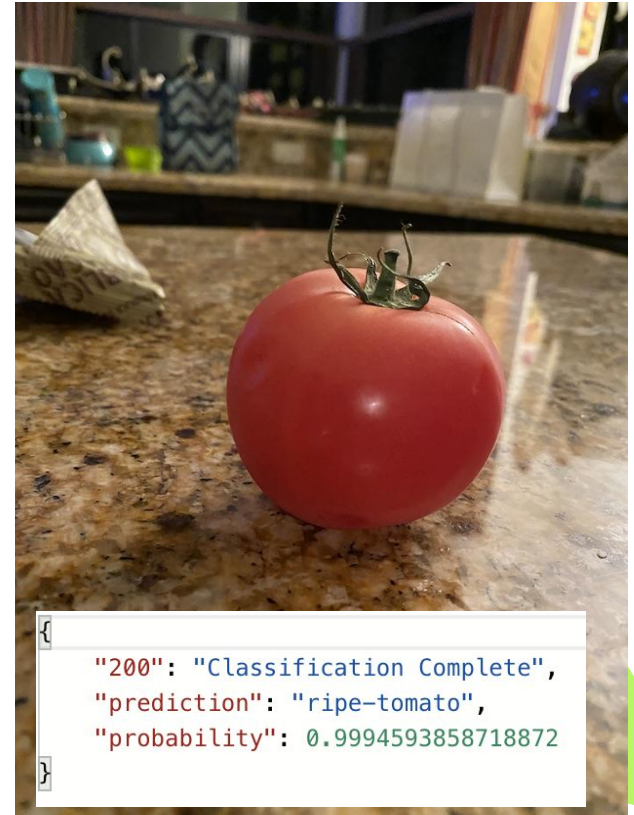


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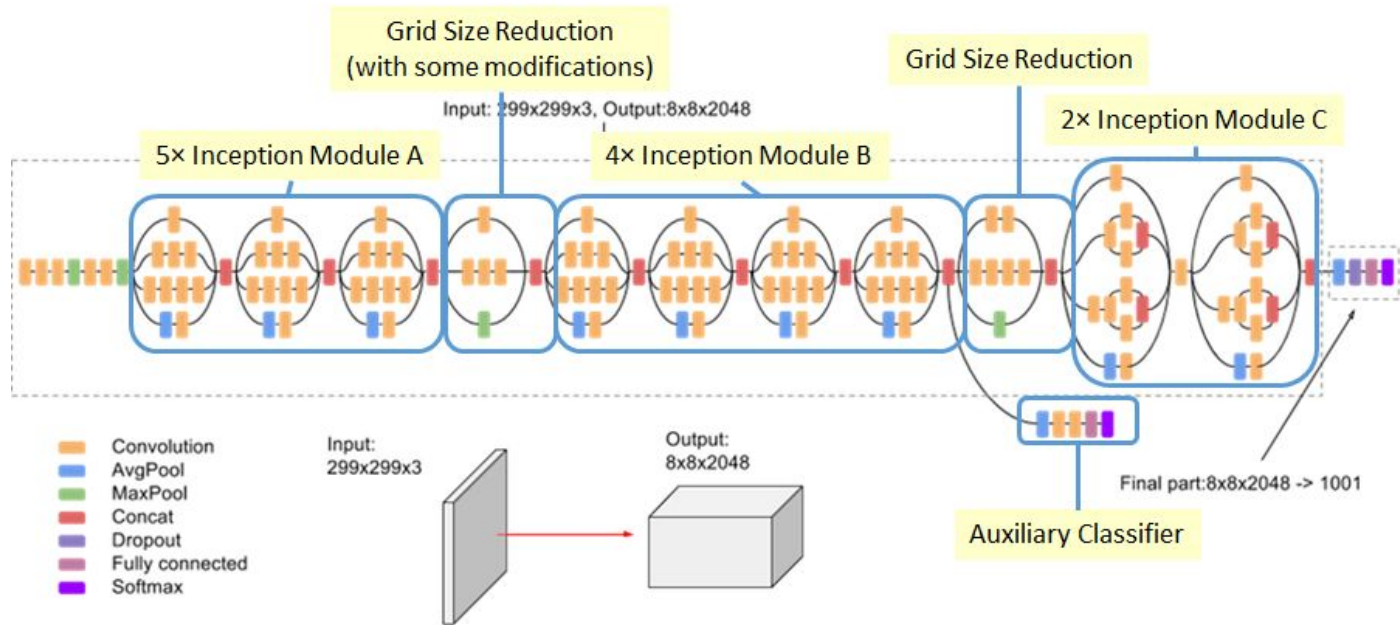
- Pretrained, Modified InceptionV3 Convolutional Neural Network
- Overall Accuracy
  - 9 classes
- Overfitting
  - Dropout
  - Early Stopping
  - Checkpoint



Convolution Operation

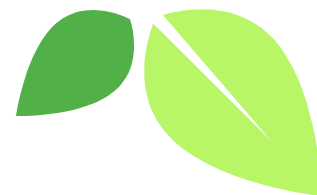
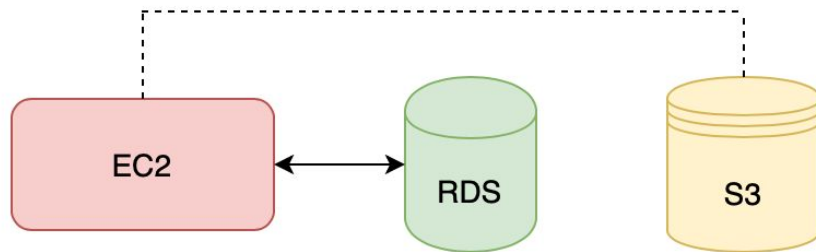


# Inception V3

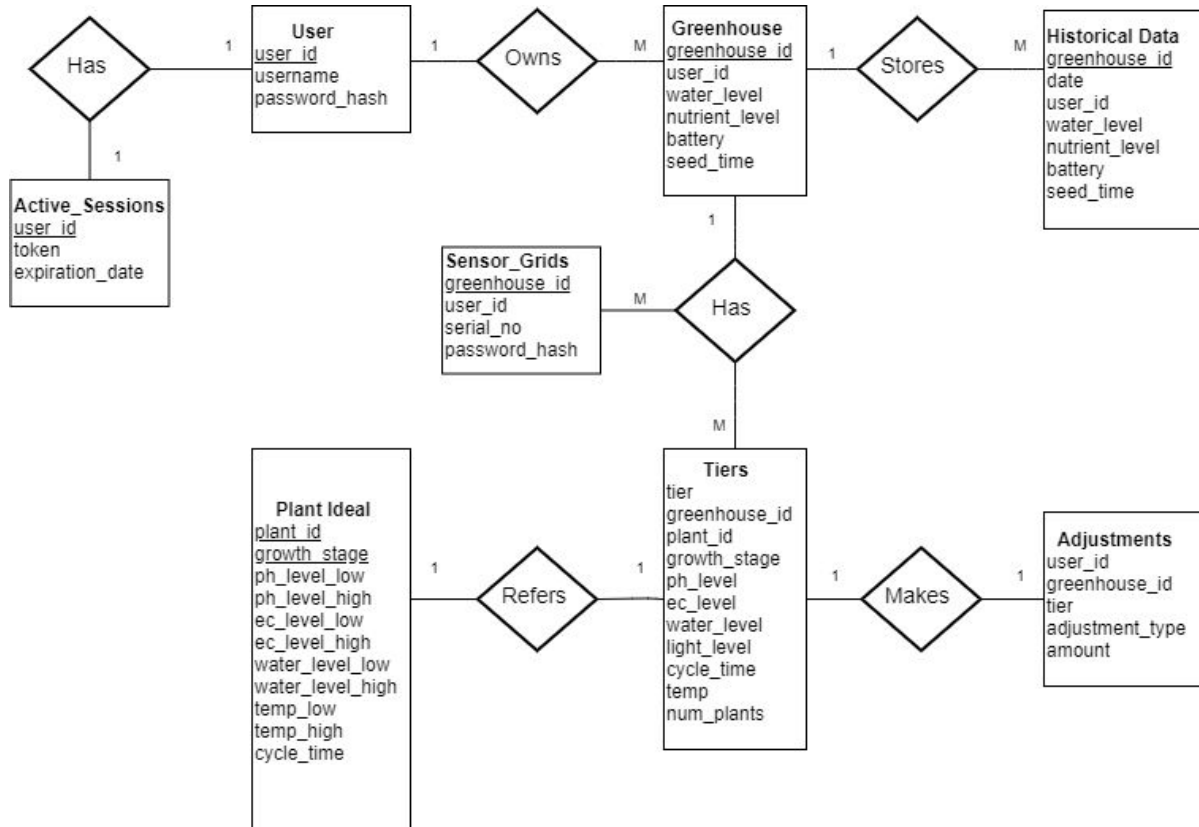


# AWS Components

- EC2 Instance
  - t3.medium
  - 4GB RAM
  - CV Requirements
- RDS Instance
  - MySQL Database
- S3 Bucket
  - Assets
  - Mobile App
- Why AWS?
  - Industry Standard
  - AWS Educate Program



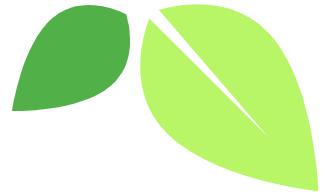
# mySQL Database





# Testing

- Unit tests
  - API
  - Jest framework
  - Coverage included in Jest
- Integration testing
  - Use Postman to send requests to the endpoints
  - Verify information in the database



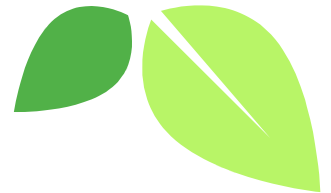


## Successes

API Endpoints  
MySQL Database  
Deployment  
Image Classification

## Difficulties

Anomaly Detection  
Building Dataset

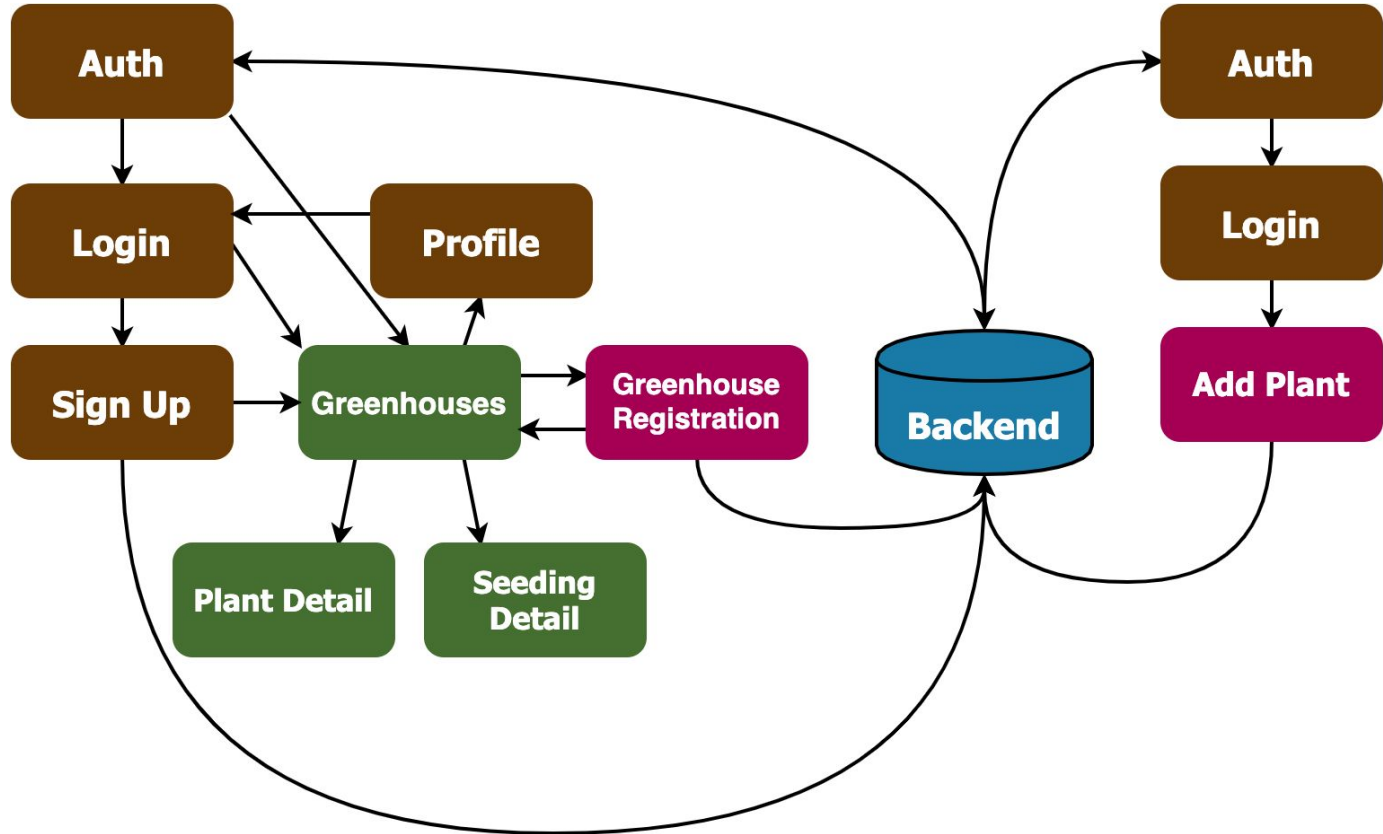


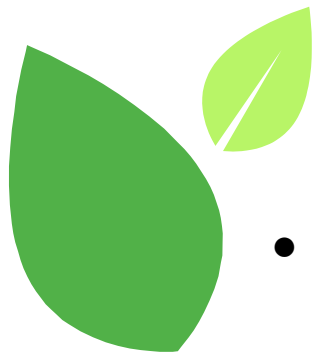




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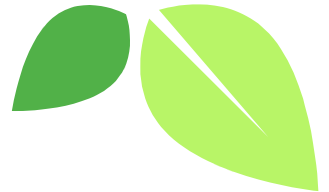
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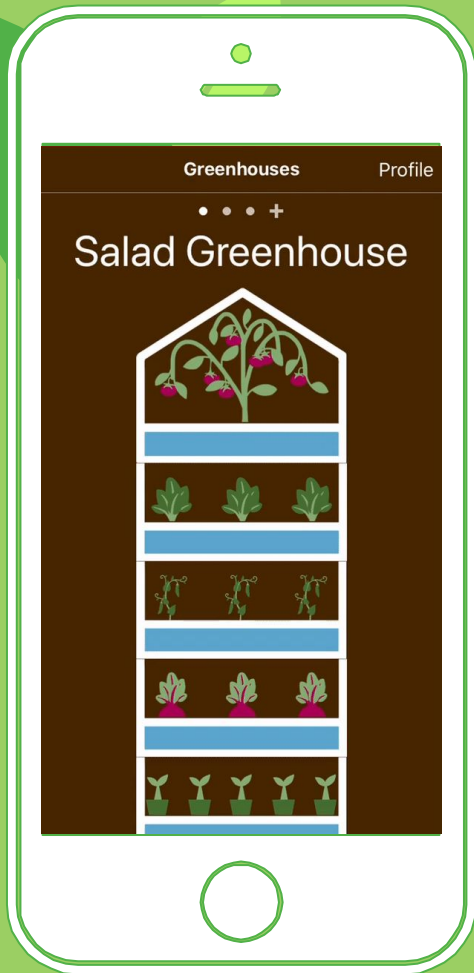




# App Technologies

- React Native
  - Modular composition allows for reuse of components
  - Compatibility across iOS and Android
- Expo Client
  - Quickly build compact app files for distribution
  - Manage permissions and interfacing with native systems like the camera
  - Assist with push notification coordination between Apple and Google

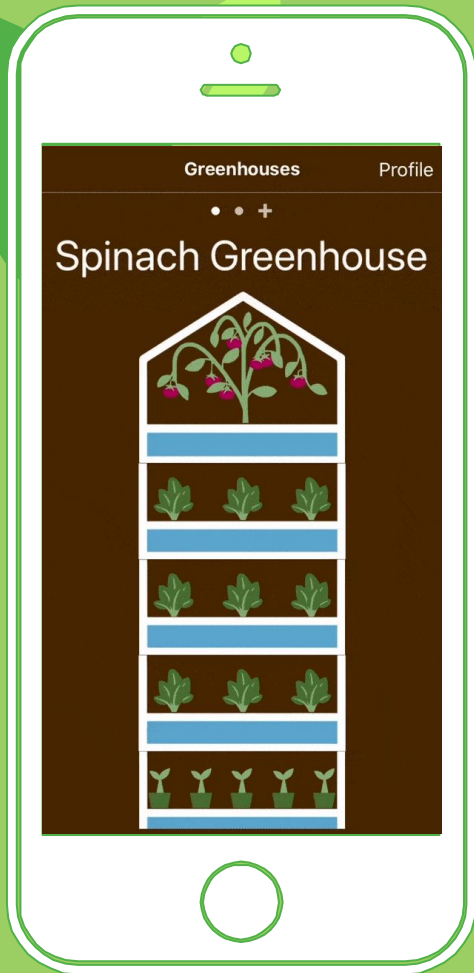




# Greenhouse Monitoring

- Displays current data from greenhouse sensors
- Shows the user estimated harvest dates
- Collects and displays historical sensor readings for the greenhouse
- Greenhouse data maintained by a global state monitor

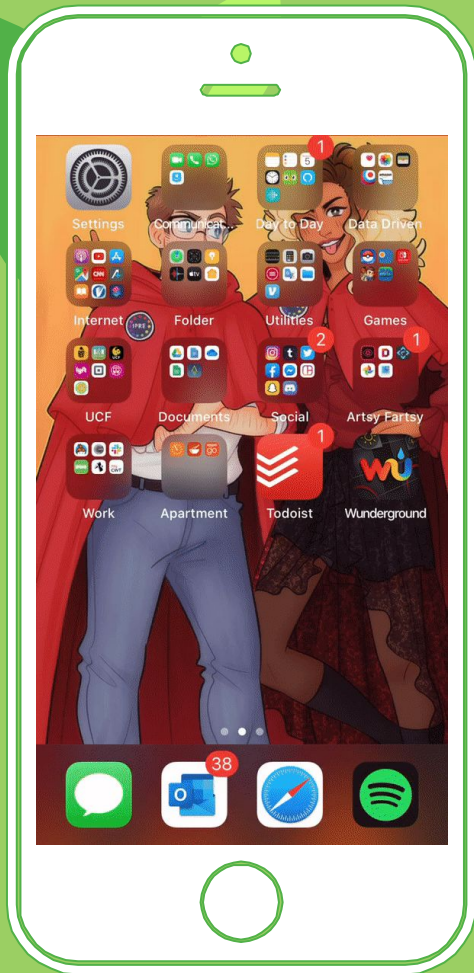




# Greenhouse Registration

- App connects with the greenhouse over LAN
- Wifi connection info is sent to the greenhouse
- User decides which plants are grown on each tier & fills up reservoirs
- App uses REST API to register the greenhouse to the database





# User Interactions

- Refill water
- Refill nutrients
- Plant Seedlings
- Transplant Seedlings
- Harvest Plants

All are accompanied by detailed instructions and Push notifications





# Website

- [pocketponics.com](https://pocketponics.com)
- Information for the general public
- Admin portal
  - Authenticates admin users
  - Adds new plants that users can grow



## Successes

Full WCAG compliance

Compatibility between  
Android and iOS

Real-time push  
notifications for UX

Graphical display of  
historical data

Camera input for ML  
categorization of  
plants

## Difficulties

Real-time data display  
with async database  
updates

Extensibility of plant  
model

Access to UCF Server





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## Budget

Description	Vendor	Price per Unit	Amount	Estimated Price
Arduino	arduino.cc	\$40.00	1	\$40.00
pH Sensor Kit	amazon.com	\$19.65	4	\$78.60
Pump system	amazon.com	\$11.98	2	\$23.96
Water Tank	amazon.com	\$19.33	2	\$38.66
EC/TDS Sensor		\$12.90	4	\$51.60
Lights	amazon.com	\$13.99	1	\$13.99
Liquid Electrical Tape	amazon.com	\$6.98	1	\$6.98
PCB Fabrication		\$50.00	1	\$50.00
Buck Convertor	amazon.com	\$10.95	2	\$10.95
Relay	amazon.com	\$5.50		\$55.00
Construction Materials		\$100	1	\$100.00
Miscellaneous Electronics		\$50.00	1	\$50.00
AWS Student Account	amazon.com	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
Hydroponic Plant Nutrient	amazon.com	\$25.00	1	\$25.00
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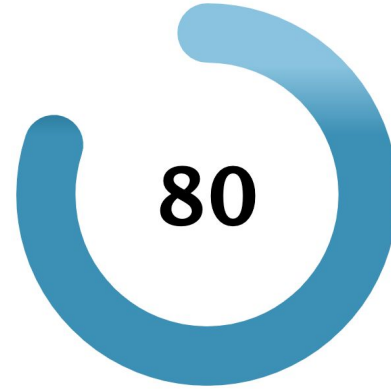
Greenhouse



Backend



Frontend





# Completion Breakdown

## Greenhouse

Research



Prototyping



Software



Hardware



## Backend

Endpoints



Auth



AWS



ML



## Frontend

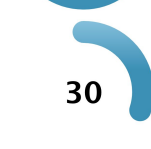
App



Admin Portal



Testing



API Calls





# Remaining Tasks

## Greenhouse

Finish Power System

Finish PCB testing  
for integration

Complete Tier  
Assembly

## Backend

Finish unit and  
integration tests

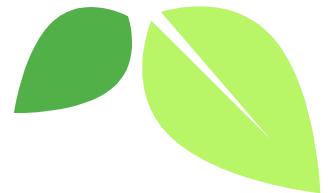
Integrate with  
greenhouse

## Frontend

Unit and Integration  
Testing

Finalize Admin Portal

App publication to  
iOS and Android



# Thanks!

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