Full Stack Development

Case Study

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Overview

This is a web application constructed of a server-side and a client-side. Users will be able to sign up, update their profile information, access information about different movies, directors and genres, and create a list of their favourite movies.

Purpose

The creation of this project as part of my web development course at CareerFoundry aids to showcase the acquired expertise with the MERN stack (MongoDB, Express, React and Node.js).

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app.get('/', (req, res) => {
 res.send('Movie time!');
app.get('/movies', passport.authenticate('jwt', { session: false }), async (red
 console.log('Fetching movies...');
  await Movies.find().then((movies) => {
   console.log('Movies found:', movies);
   res.status(200).json(movies);
   .catch((err) => {
     console.error('Error fetching movies:', err);
     res.status(500).send('Error: ' + err);
// GET - return data about single movie by title
app.get('/movies/title/:Title', passport.authenticate('jwt', { session: false
 await Movies.findOne({ Title: req.params.Title })
   .then((movie) => {
     res.json(movie);
    .catch((err) => {
     console.error(err);
     res.status(500).send('Error: ' + err);
// GET - return data about genre by name
app.get('/movies/genre/:Name', passport.authenticate('jwt', { session: false }
 await Movies.findOne({ 'Genre.Name': req.params.Name })
    .then((movie) => {
     if (!movie) {
       return res.status(404).json({
         error: 'genre not found.'
     res.status(200).json(movie.Genre);
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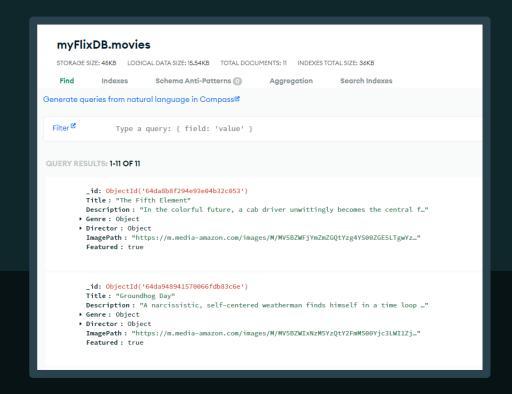


Client-side and server-side development of this web application, from start to finish, extended over several months, during which I had the opportunity to get a better grasp of the technologies used.

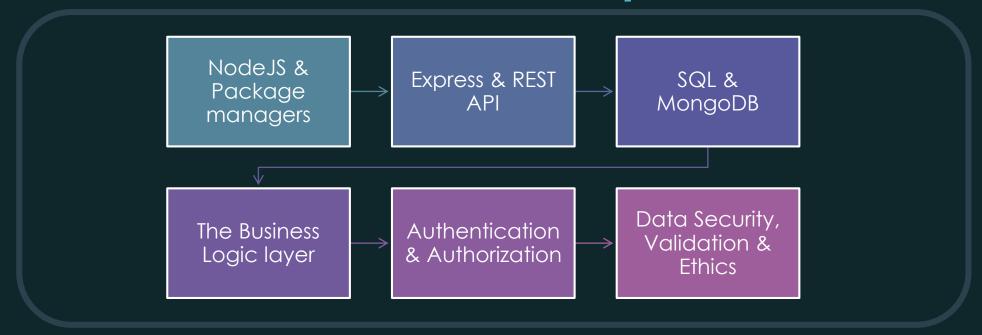


Methodologies

- JavaScript
- MERN Stack
- Postman
- Netlify
- Render
- Parcel
- Mongoose



Server side development

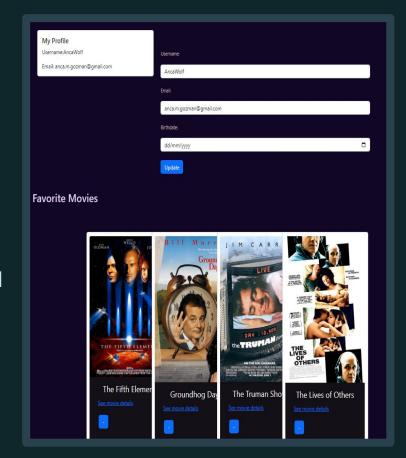


Starting with user stories and essential features, the first packages were created, followed by URL endpoints corresponding to the data. After creating a relational database (SQL) with the use of PostgreSQL, the decision was made to continue with MongoDB, a non-relational database. Towards the finalization of the backend part, authorization and authentication was implemented with HTTP and JWT authentication.

Client side development

The second part of the project consisted of building the user interface, the client side, where users would be able to register an account and access the website's contents. Developed with React and Parcel.

Afterwards the components for different views were created and the design of the general layout, as well as single-movie visualization, was added with the use of React Bootstrap library.



Challenges & Final Thoughts

Throughout the development process of this web application challenges were not missing. From discrepancies and incompatibilities between dependencies version, typos and

faulty connections between the server-side and the client-side components, this project offered great opportunities to research in detail various behaviours and solutions, which led to a better understanding of the technologies used.

Overall, I am proud of the final product and glad to have gained a deeper insight into React.