

Travel Thru Air

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Overview

In this assignment we need to implement a flight booking website namely "Travel thru air" using servlets as backend.

Goals:

- User can book flights on a specified date and time
- User should search flights based on time and dates
- Rest api for seamless integration between frontend and backend
- Servlets in the backend and a separate database for storing persistent informations
- Integrate and follow MVC pattern

Design Pattern

MVC pattern has been followed throughout the application and the model classes are nothing but plain old java classes. I use Vanilla javascript with Jquery for designing the frontend.

Technologies Used

Frontend: html, css, vanilla js, jquery, axios

Backend: servlets, jdbc, Gson

Database: Postgresql

Integrations: REST api

Implementations

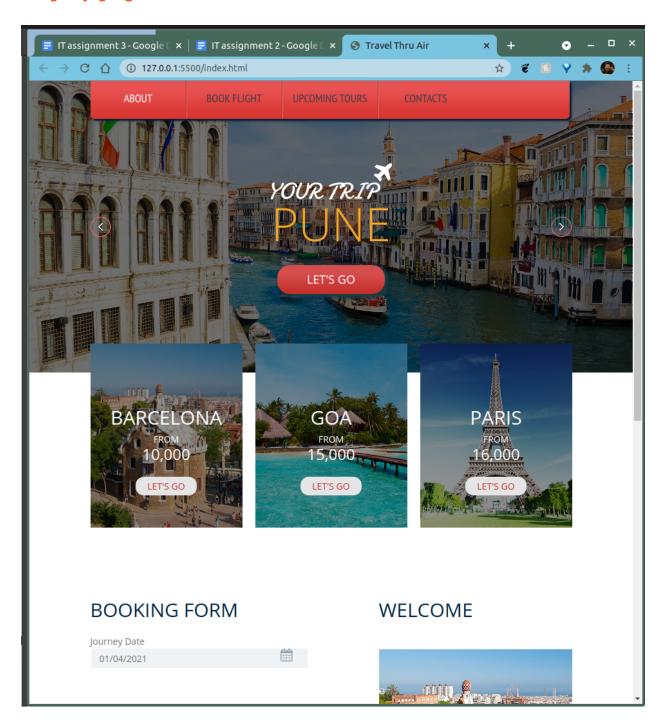
The home page of the application displays a list of special offers provided by the marketing department. For each offer, the flight company, departure city, arrival city, departure time, original cost, discounted cost and validity time is shown. The offer is valid only for a specified duration, after which it disappears from the home page. The GSON library is used to convert Java objects to JSON objects and vice versa.

```
//offerList.add(new Offer(5,"Kolkata","Banglore", 2500, 2, "22-04-2021", "07:30", "04-04-2021","11:00", "17:00", "GoIndia"));

GsonBuilder gsonBuilder = new GsonBuilder().setPrettyPrinting();
Gson gson = gsonBuilder.create();
String jsonObj = gson.toJson(offerList);
out.print(jsonObj);

out.flush();
try {
    connection.close();
} catch (SQLException e) {
    // TODO Auto-generated catch block
    e.printStackTrace();
}
```

Display page

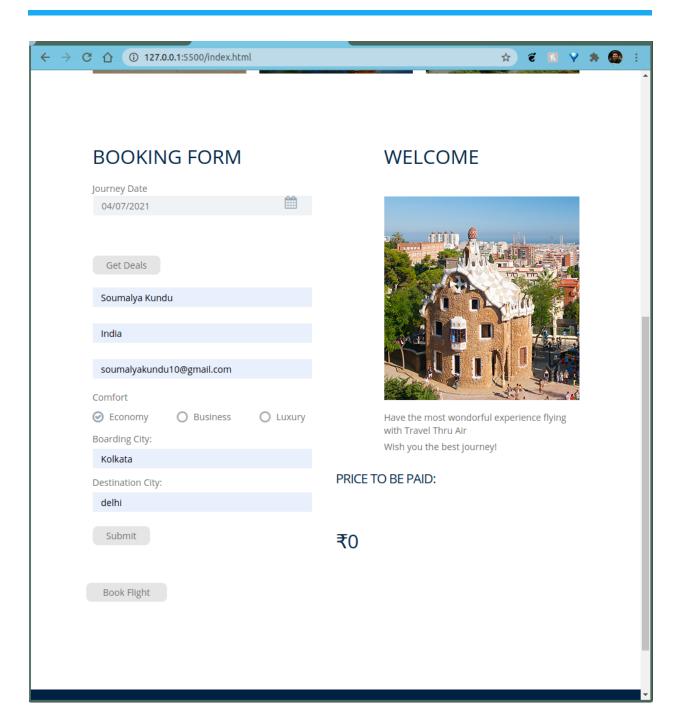


Here the display page pulls data from the database through the backend and displays the deals of the day accordingly. This page also contains a booking page for users to fill out.

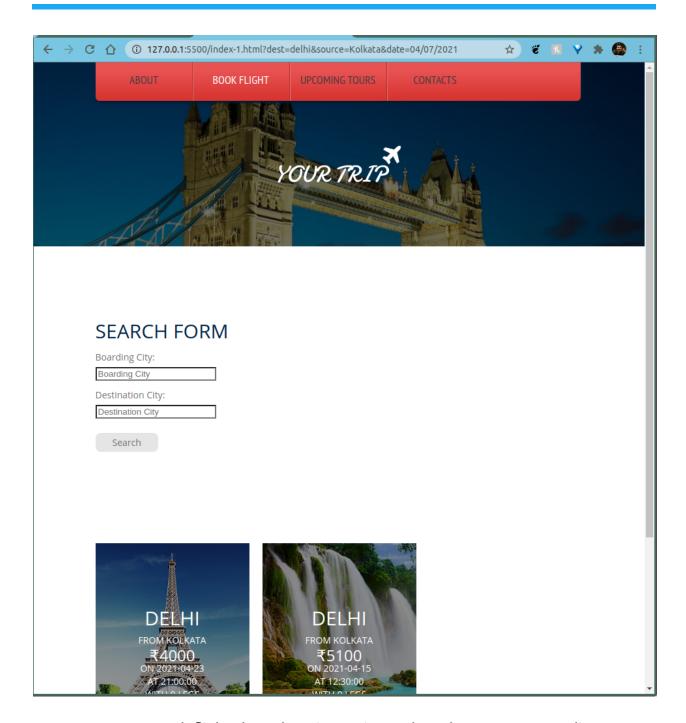
The exposed apis of backend from where this page pulls data looks like this. All the interaction with the backend has done with REST api using the JSON object format.

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← → C ① (i) localhost:8080/Airflight/deals
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       "destCity": "pune",
"cost": 2500,
"legs": 2,
"id": 1,
"journeyDate": "2021-04-21",
"journeyTime": "07:30:00",
"offerDate": "2021-04-08",
"startTime": "11:00:00",
"endTime": "17:00:00",
"carrier": "AirIndia"
    {
            "sourceCity": "Delhi",
"destCity": "Bangalore",
"cost": 4100,
"legs": 0,
"id": 2,
"journeyDate": "2021-04-27",
"journeyTime": "17:45:00",
"offerDate": "2021-04-08",
"startTime": "12:00:00",
"endTime": "20:00:00",
"carrier": "Lufthansa"
    {
           "sourceCity": "Kolkata",
"destCity": "Delhi",
"cost": 3500,
"legs": 0,
"id": 3,
"journeyDate": "2021-04-23",
"journeyTime": "21:00:00",
"offerDate": "2021-04-08",
"startTime": "10:00:00",
"endTime": "20:00:00",
"carrier": "AirIndia"
              "sourceCity": "Goa",
"destCity": "Chennai",
"cost": 2400,
"legs": 1,
"id": 5,
             "id": 5,
"journeyDate": "2021-04-25",
"journeyTime": "10:30:00",
"offerDate": "2021-04-08",
"startTime": "10:00:00",
"endTime": "23:00:00",
"carrier": "AirAsia"
            "sourceCity": "Chennai",
"destCity": "Mumbai",
"cost": 3400,
"legs": 0,
"id": 6,
"journeyDate": "2021-05-01",
"journeyTime": "10:00:00",
"offerDate": "2021-04-08",
"startTime": "10:00:00",
"endTime": "19:45:00",
"carrier": "GoAsia"
```

The booking form:

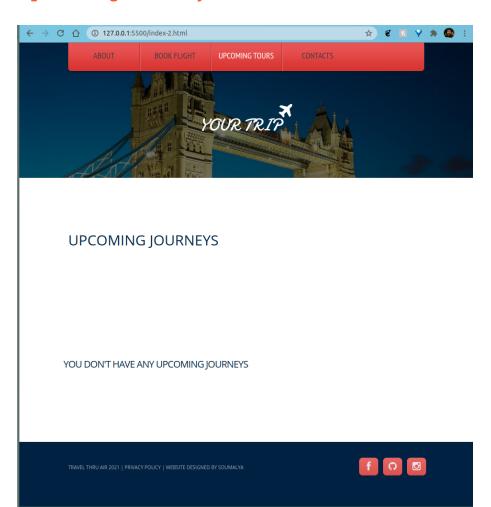


Now with all the data, Book Flight button automatically redirects user to the flight search and booking page where user will get the details of all the available flights on that day and between those two cities.



Here users can search flights based on time, price and/or places. Corresponding backend structure code snippet is as follows

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Comments

This assignment gave us an opportunity to learn many new things. I learnt how to build an application by integrating Java servlets and javascript frontend. I also learnt the usage of the GSON library and how to integrate backend and frontend using REST api. I also learnt how to use and configure database and how to perform basic CRUD commands on a database.

