BOOK STORE APPLICATION USING MERN

PROJECT DOCUMENTATION

1. Introduction

- **Project Title:** BOOK STORE APPLICATION
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2. Project Overview

- **Purpose:**
  The Book Store Application is designed to facilitate the discovery of books in an organized and user-friendly environment. Users have access to a variety of features that enhance their browsing experience.
- **Features:**
    - **Show Books:** Users can browse a collection of books presented in visually appealing cards and tables, making it easy to find and explore various titles.
    - **Create New Books:** Admin users have the ability to add new books to the collection, ensuring a continuous and diverse selection for users.
    - **Edit Existing Books:** Authorized users can modify details of existing books, such as title, author, genre, ensuring accurate and up-to-date information.
    - **Delete Books:** Users with appropriate permissions can remove books from the collection, helping maintain the relevance of the library.
    - **Show Description:** Each book displays a detailed description, including plot summaries, reviews, and other pertinent information to assist users in their decisions.

3. Architecture

- **Frontend:**
  Built with React, the frontend architecture utilizes a component-based structure, enabling reusable components for book cards, forms, and navigation. The application state is managed with hooks and context, while Axios handles API requests to the backend.

- **Backend:**
  The backend is developed using Node.js and Express.js, structured to provide RESTful API endpoints that facilitate CRUD operations for books and user management. Middleware is implemented for handling authentication and validation of requests.
- **Database:**
  The application uses MongoDB as the database, with a schema that includes collections for users and books. Mongoose is used to model the data and simplify interactions with the database, providing a clear structure for data retrieval and manipulation.

4. Setup Instructions

- **Prerequisites:**
  - Node.js (v16 or higher)
  - MongoDB (local installation or MongoDB Atlas)
  - npm (Node package manager)
- **Installation:**

i. Navigate to the project directory:

bash

cd book-store

ii. Install dependencies for both the client and server:

bash

cd client

npm install

cd ../server

npm install

iii. Set up environment variables:
Create a .env file in the server directory and add necessary variables such as:

MONGO_URI=your_mongo_uri

JWT_SECRET=your_jwt_secret

5. Folder Structure

- **Client:**

java

/client

├── /public

├── /src

| ├── /components // Reusable UI components (BookCard, Header, etc.)

| ├── /pages // Main application pages (Home, About, etc.)

| ├── /context // Context and hooks for state management

| ├── App.js

| └── index.js

└── package.json

- **Server:**

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/server

├── /models // Mongoose models for users and books

├── /routes // Routes for API endpoints

├── /config // Configuration files, e.g., database connection

├── /controllers // Controllers for handling business logic

├── server.js // Main entry point for the server

└── package.json

6. Running the Application

- **Frontend:**
  Navigate to the client directory and run:

  bash

  npm start

- **Backend:**
  Navigate to the server directory and run:

  bash

  npm start

7. API Documentation

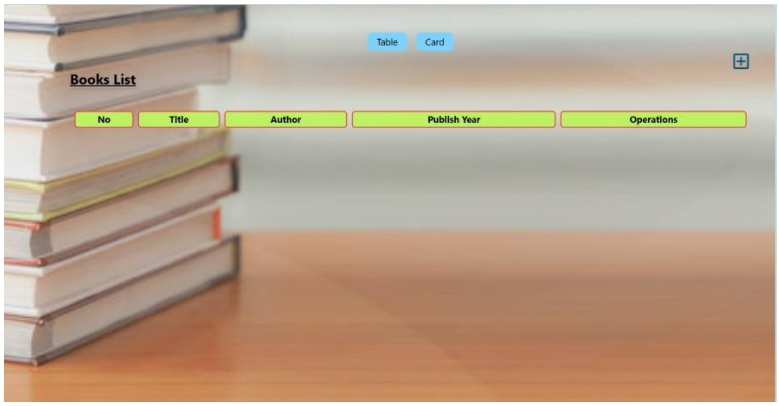
- **Endpoints:**
    - **GET /api/books**
        - **Description:** Retrieve all books
        - **Response:** JSON array of book objects
    - **POST /api/books**
        - **Description:** Add a new book to the collection
        - **Request Body:** { title, author, publish year }
        - **Response:** Confirmation message and added book object
    - **PUT /api/books/:id**
        - **Description:** Update an existing book's details
        - **Request Body:** { title, author, genre, publish year }
        - **Response:** Confirmation message and updated book object
    - **DELETE /api/books/:id**
        - **Description:** Remove a book from the collection
        - **Response:** Confirmation message

8. Authentication

- Authentication is managed through JWT (JSON Web Tokens). After successful login, a token is created and stored in local storage. This token is sent with subsequent requests for protected routes to verify user identity and permissions, allowing access to CRUD operations on books.

9. User Interface

Home Page:



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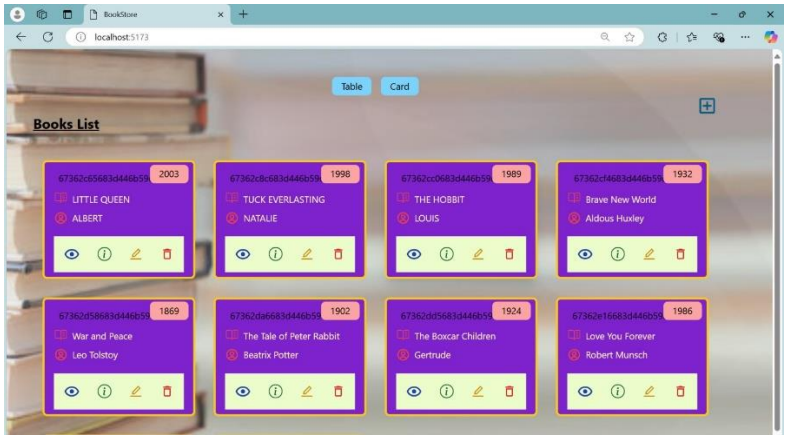


10. Testing

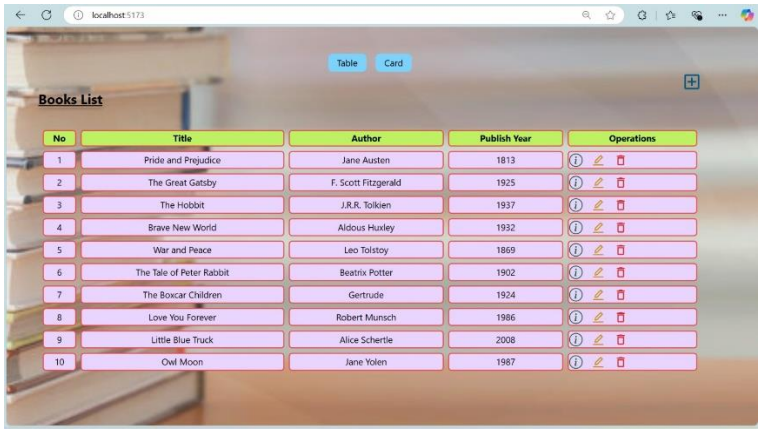
- **Testing Strategy:**
  The project employs Jest and React Testing Library for frontend testing and Mocha/Chai for the backend. Unit tests ensure that all critical functionalities, including CRUD operations for books, are functioning correctly.

11. Screenshots or Demo

- **Demo Link:** [MERN-DEMO-BOOK STORE - Google Drive]
- **Screenshots:**

  HOME PAGE:

AFTER BOOK CREATION:



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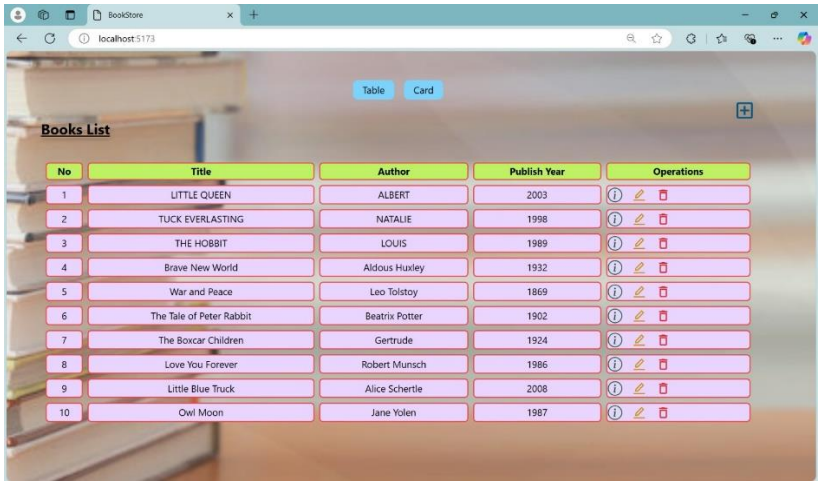

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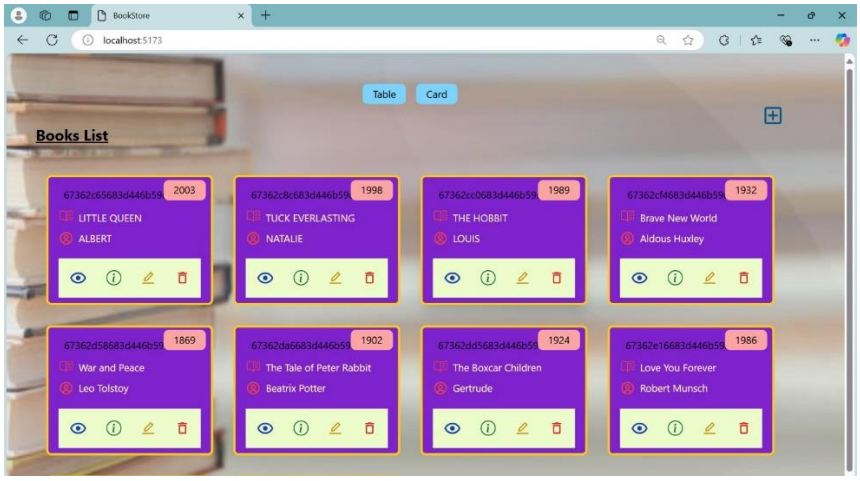

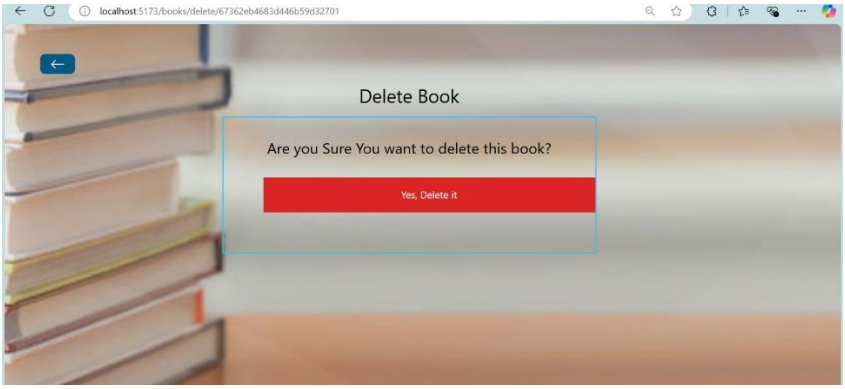

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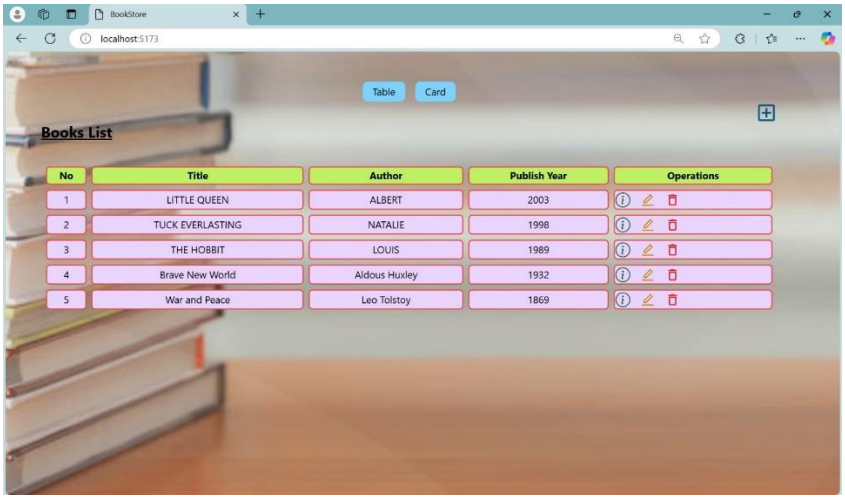

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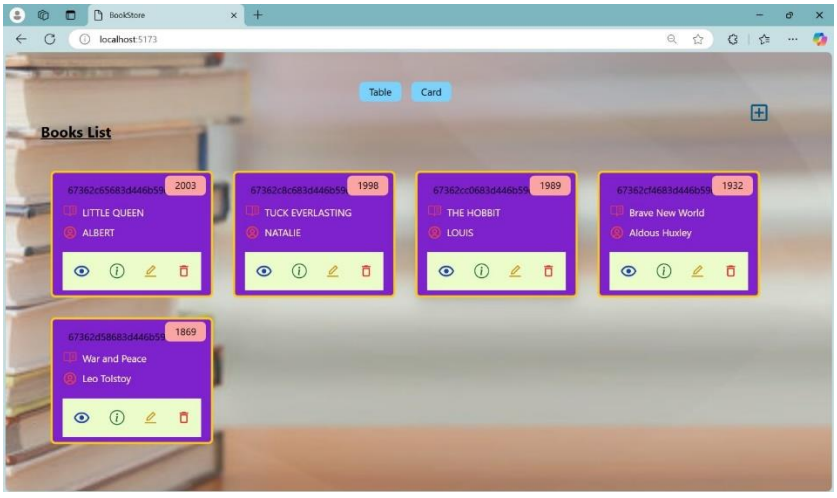

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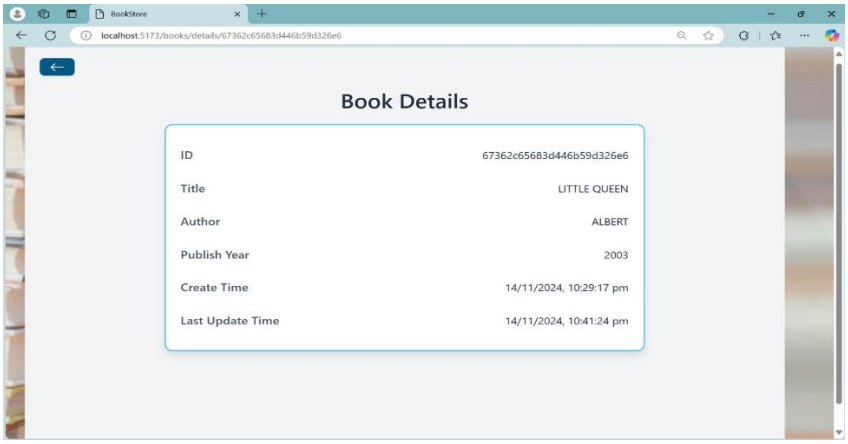

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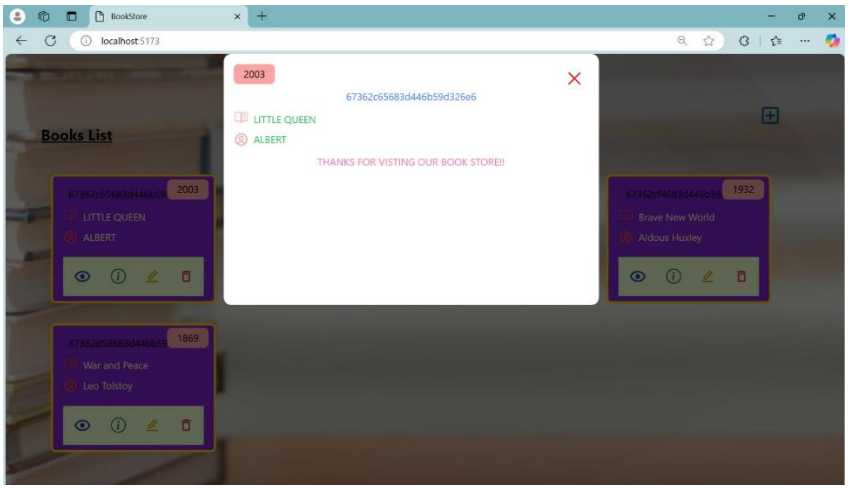

12. Known Issues

- Users may occasionally encounter errors during the deletion of books, which will be monitored for resolution in future updates.

13. Future Enhancements

- Potential future features could include:
    - Implementing user roles and permissions for advanced access control
    - Integration of social media login options
    - Adding advanced search and filtering capabilities
    - Recommendations based on user preferences.