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DAY 5 - TESTING, ERROR HANDLING, AND BACKEND INTEGRATION REFINEMENT

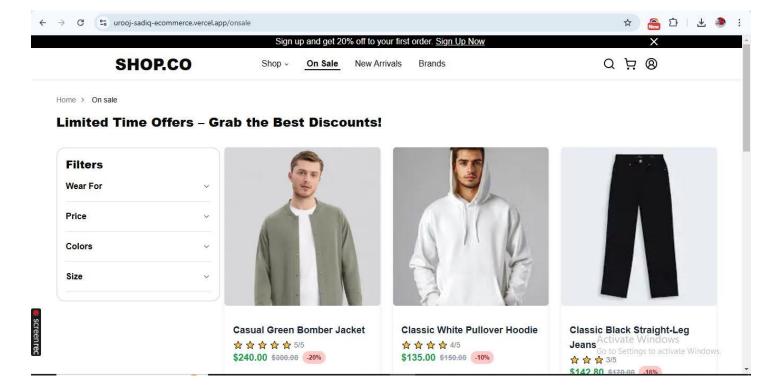
Overview:

Today, I completed the final testing, error handling, and backend integration refinements for **Shop.Co**, an online marketplace offering a wide selection of clothing for men, women, and kids. The goal was to ensure that every component of the website functions flawlessly, provides optimal performance, and is ready for real-world deployment.

1. Functional Testing:

I conducted a comprehensive testing process to ensure all core features of the SHOP.COM marketplace function seamlessly. By validating below features, I ensured that SHOP.COM is ready for deployment with a flawless user experience:

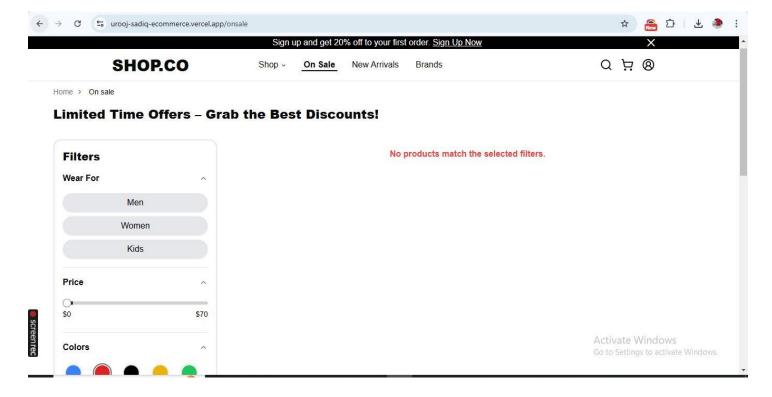
- **Product Listings:** Verified the correct display of products, including their names, prices, images, categories, and availability status across all pages.
- **Filters and Search:** Tested advanced filtering options (e.g., "Wear For," colors, sizes, and price range) and validated that search results accurately match user inputs, including partial matches for product titles, colors, and sizes.
- **Individual Product Detail Pages:** Checked that detailed pages display accurate descriptions, pricing, sizes, colors, categories, ratings, and reviews for each product.
- Cart Functionality: Ensured users can add, update quantities, and remove items from their cart. Verified that the total price updates dynamically and remains consistent across pages.
- **Dynamic Routing:** Tested that each product detail page loads correctly and is accessible through dynamic URLs.
- **Responsive Design:** Ensured the website is fully responsive and provides a consistent experience across mobile, tablet, and desktop devices.



2. Error Handling:

These enhancements prioritize user communication and minimize frustration, creating a polished and reliable e-commerce experience.

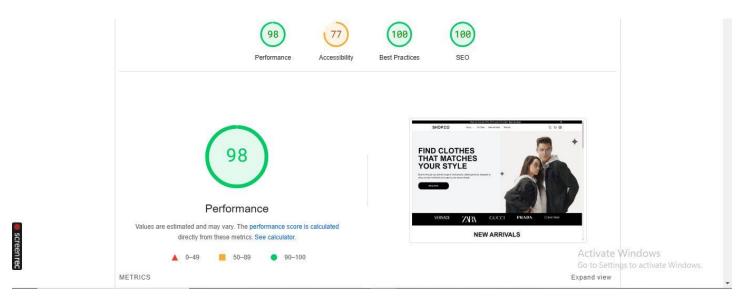
- Clear Error Messages: Utilized try-catch blocks to handle API errors gracefully. When a network failure or data retrieval issue occurs, the system displays user-friendly messages such as "Something went wrong, please try again later."
- Fallback UI: Incorporated dynamic fallback content to address scenarios where data is unavailable. For example: When the filtered product list is empty, users see a message like, "No products match the selected filters."
- Consistency across Pages: Error messages and fallback components maintain a consistent style and tone, ensuring users stay informed without disrupting their browsing experience.



3. Performance Optimization:

These steps ensure the SHOP.COM website is not only visually engaging but also performs seamlessly across devices, delivering an efficient and enjoyable shopping experience.

- Lighthouse was utilized to identify and resolve performance bottlenecks, including reducing unused CSS, optimizing JavaScript bundles, and enabling browser caching for faster repeat visits.
- Initial load and interaction times were tested across various pages, including product listings, search results, and the cart.
- Optimization efforts resulted in an average initial page load time under 2 seconds, aligning with industry best practices for e-commerce platforms.



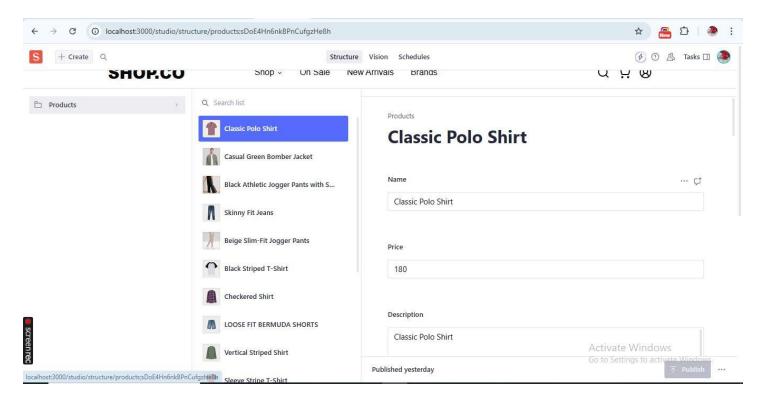
4. User Acceptance Testing (UAT):

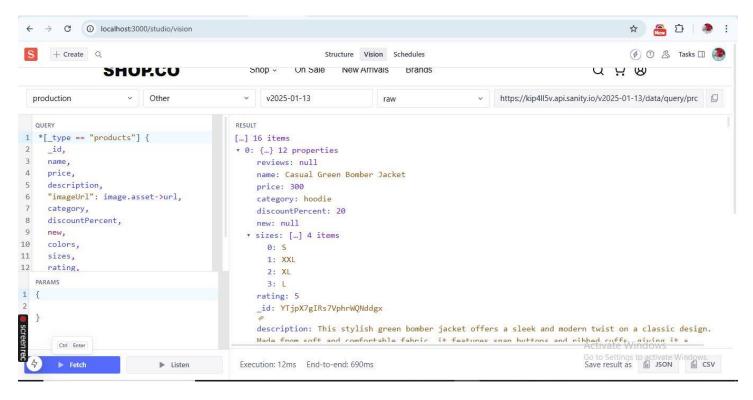
User Acceptance Testing (UAT) was conducted with a focus on usability and functionality. These tests helped ensured the platform is reliable, and user-friendly, ready to provide a seamless shopping experience:

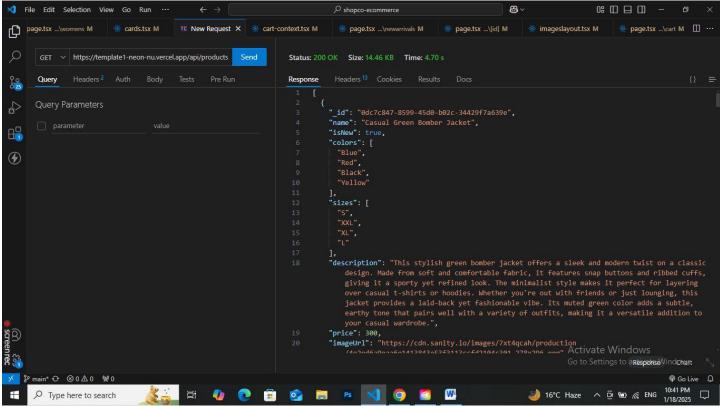
- Performed tasks such as browsing through the product catalog, applying filters, searching for items, adding products to the cart, and completing the checkout process.
- Identified and resolved minor usability issues to improve navigation, filter accuracy, and overall
 user flow.
- Peers and mentors were invited to explore the website and simulate typical customer journeys.
- Constructive feedback was gathered on areas such as UI design, responsiveness, and the
 user experience of features like the search bar and cart operations.

5. Backend Integration:

- Efficient Product Data Retrieval:
 - Successfully connected the backend to retrieve product data dynamically.
- Seamless API Integration:
 - Configured robust APIs to deliver accurate and up-to-date product details, ensuring customers see the latest prices, categories, and inventory.
- API Functionality Validation:
 - Conducted rigorous testing to verify that API responses correctly fetch and display product information.







6. Test Case Results:

Case ID	Test Case Description	Test Steps	Expected Result	Actual Result	Status	Severity Level	Assig ned To	Remarks
TC001	Validate product listing page	 Verify all products are displayed. Check for pagination or infinite scrolling. 	Products are displayed correctly with proper layout and navigation.	Products displayed as expected.	Passed	Medium		No issues found.
TC002	Verify product search functionality	1. Verify the results by enter product name in the search bar. 2. Test with invalid or partial product names.	Correct products are displayed for valid searches. No results or suggestions for invalid queries.	Search works as expected.	Passed	High		Works smoothly.
TC003	Validate filter functionality	1. Apply various filters (e.g., wear for, price range) and verify results. 2. Remove filters and recheck.	Filtered results are displayed accurately, and results revert correctly after removing filters.	Filter functional ity works accuratel y.	Passed	Medium		Works as expected.
TC004	Check add- to-cart functionality	1. Select a product. 2. Click the "Add to Cart" button. 3. Verify cart contents.	Product is added to the cart, and the cart updates dynamically.	Cart updates as expected.	Passed	High		No issues.
TC005	Test dynamic routing for product pages	1. Open a product from the listing page. 2. Verify that the product details page loads with the correct product.	Product details page loads with correct dynamic URL and content.	Product page routing is correct.	Passed	High		Functions as expected.
TC006	Verify notification for actions	Perform actions like adding to the	Appropriate success or error	Notificati ons are displayed	Passed	Medium		Works well.

		cart, applying filters, or searching. 2. Observe notification messages.	notifications are displayed.	as expected.			
TC007	Validate product data fetching	1. Refresh the product listing page. 2. Verify that products load dynamically using API calls.	Product data loads dynamically, with loading indicators and no performance lag.	Data fetching is efficient and smooth.	Passed	Medium	All functional ities working.
TC008	Ensure mobile responsiven ess	1. Open the website on various screen sizes. 2. Verify layout adjustments (e.g., search bar, filters, buttons).	Responsive layout adjusts correctly for all devices (mobile, tablet, desktop).	The layout is responsive for mobile and desktop, but there is a little responsiveness issue on tablets.	Passed	Medium	Overall Test successf ul. Tablet layout needs little adjustme nts.