PROJECT REPORT ON AIRBNB PROTOTYPE WEB APPLICATION



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Technology Stack

Layer	Technology	Purpose
Frontend	React 18 + Vite	Single-page application with component-based UI
Build Tooling	Tailwind CSS + PostCSS	Utility-first styling and CSS processing
Routing	React Router	Client-side navigation
HTTP Client	Axios	API communication with interceptors
Backend	Node.js 18 + Express.js	REST API server
ORM	Prisma	Type-safe database access and migrations
Database	MySQL 8.0	Relational data persistence
Sessions	express-mysql-session	Server-side session storage
AI Service	Python 3.11 + FastAPI	AI concierge API
AI Framework	LangChain	LLM orchestration and prompt management
LLM Providers	Ollama, Groq, OpenAI, Google Gemini	Language model inference
External APIs	Tavily, Open-Meteo	Search and weather data enrichment
Containerization	Docker + Docker Compose	Service orchestration and deployment
Web Server	Nginx (alpine)	Static file serving for production frontend

Data Persistence Strategy:

Database Schema (Prisma Models):

Model	Key Fields	Relationships
User	id, email, password, role (TRAVELER/OWNER)	Has many: properties, bookings, favorites
Property	id, title, location, pricePerNight, photos	Belongs to: owner (User) Has many: bookings, favorites
Booking	id, checkIn, checkOut, status, totalPrice	Belongs to: traveler (User), property
Favorite	Composite key: userId, propertyId	Junction table for many-to-many
Session	session_id, expires, data	Managed by express-mysql-session

Abstract

This project presents the design and development of an Airbnb Prototype Web Application that demonstrates the integration of modern full-stack web technologies with intelligent automation. The system was developed using React JS, Node.js + Express.js, and MySQL, with an AI-powered travel concierge built on Python FastAPI, LangChain, and Ollama. It supports two user roles—Traveler and Owner (Host)—to facilitate property listing, booking, and personalized trip planning.

The backend exposes secure RESTful APIs with session-based authentication, structured validation, and file handling via Multer, while the frontend offers a responsive, accessible interface created with React 18 + Vite + Tailwind CSS. The AI concierge generates custom itineraries, restaurant suggestions, and packing lists based on traveler inputs. All components are containerized with Docker Compose, ensuring seamless orchestration and portability across environments.

Overall, this project showcases the application of current web-engineering practices, cloud-ready deployment, and agentic AI integration to deliver a scalable, production-style prototype replicating Airbnb's core user experience.

Introduction

This project is an Airbnb Prototype Web Application that was created as a component of the Node.js, ReactJS, and Agentic AI integration Lab 1 assignment. The goal was to use ReactJS for the front end, Node.js + Express.js for the back end, MySQL for persistent storage, and a Python FastAPI service to integrate an AI-powered travel concierge function into a full-stack application that showcases contemporary web development techniques.

The two main identities supported by the system are Owner (Host) and Traveler. Registering, managing profiles, searching and booking hotels, keeping track of favorites and booking history, and using an AI concierge for tailored recommendations and itineraries are all available to travelers. Through a dedicated dashboard, owners may process booking requests, list, amend, and manage their properties, as well as monitor statistics.

Reliable connection between the database and the frontend is ensured by a RESTful API layer constructed with Express.js. Secure session-based login is used for all authentication processes, and structured error handling and validation are features of essential endpoints that ensure data integrity. Multer is used to handle file uploads, and Prisma ORM is used for database transactions on the backend.

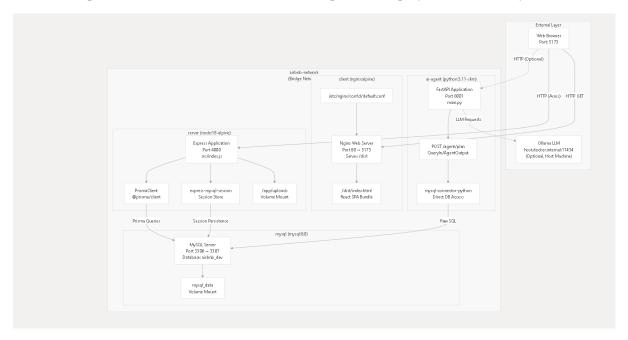
A responsive, accessible, and scalable interface is provided on the client side using the React 18 + Vite architecture, which is stylized with Tailwind CSS and controlled by Axios. By creating itineraries, restaurant recommendations, and packing lists depending on user input, the optional AI Agent—implemented in Python FastAPI + LangChain + Ollama—expands the functionality.

Docker Compose can orchestrate all services, including the frontend, backend, database, and AI agent, to ensure platform-to-platform consistency in the environment and speed up development and deployment. All things considered, this solution combines clever automation, contemporary UI design, and a strong API architecture to simulate an Airbnb-style experience that is ready for production.

Core Services Architecture:

Figure 1:Service Topology and Code Entities:

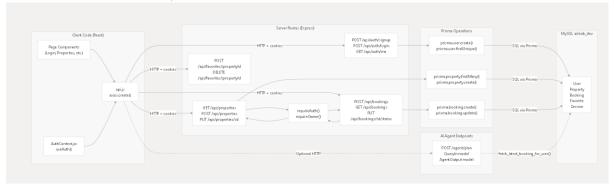
This diagram illustrates the overall system architecture of the Airbnb Prototype Web Application. It highlights the interaction between the frontend (React + Vite), backend (Node.js + Express.js + Prisma), database (MySQL 8.0), and the AI Agent (FastAPI + LangChain + Ollama). Each component functions as an independent service, connected through RESTful APIs and containerized using Docker Compose for scalable orchestration and cross-platform deployment consistency



API Communication Patterns:

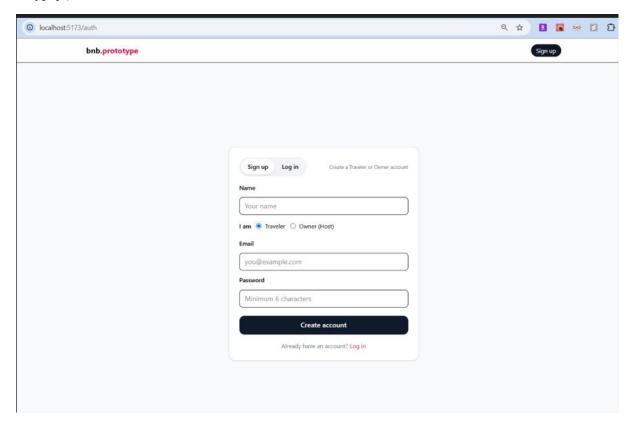
Figure 2:Request Flow with Code Entities:

This diagram represents the communication flow between the client, server, and database layers. User requests initiated from the React frontend are transmitted via Axios to the backend API routes in Express.js, which process, validate, and forward them to MySQL through Prisma ORM. Responses are then sent back as structured JSON data, ensuring secure, efficient, and asynchronous communication across all layers of the stack.

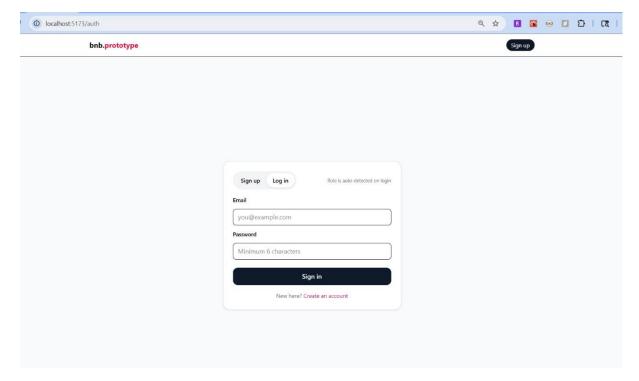


Traveler Features:

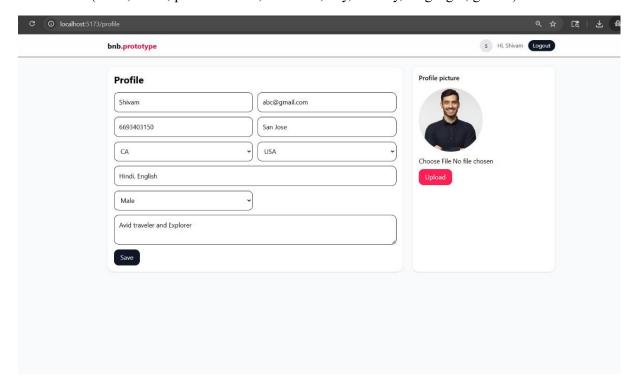
• Signup – Traveler signs up with name, email ID, and password (store securely using bcrypt.js).



• Login/Logout – Implement basic session-based authentication using Express-session.

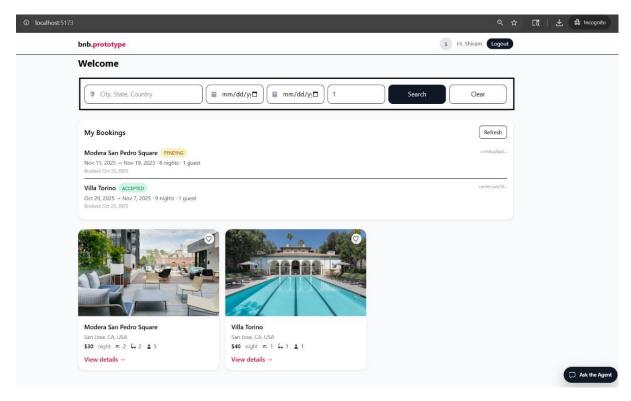


• Profile Page - Display customer details, Upload profile picture, Update profile information (name, email, phone number, about me, city, country, languages, gender).

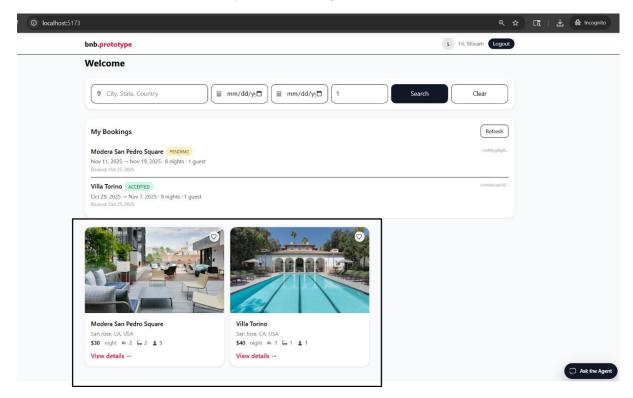


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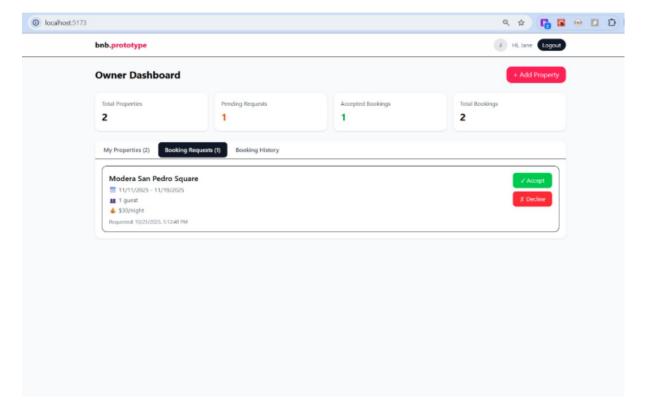
- Property Search Page/Dashboard Search available properties by:
- o Location
- o Start Date, End Date
- o Number of Guests



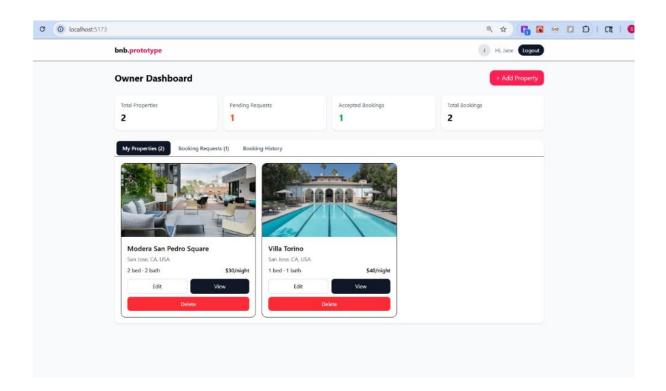
• Property Details View – View details such as property name, type, amenities, pricing, bedrooms, bathrooms, and availability. Allow booking.



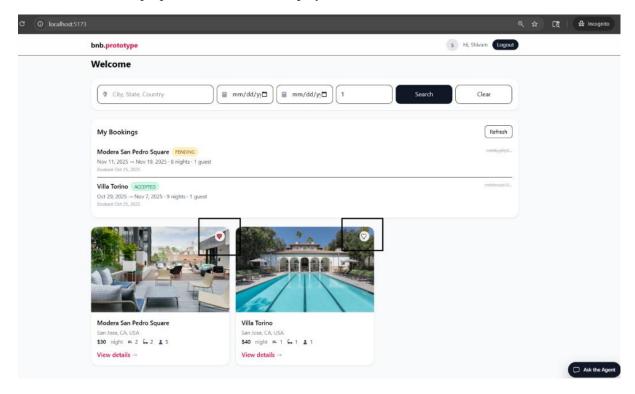
• Booking Flow – Create a booking request for selected dates/guests. A booking starts in Pending state until the Owner responds. Travelers can view Pending, Accepted, and Cancelled bookings.

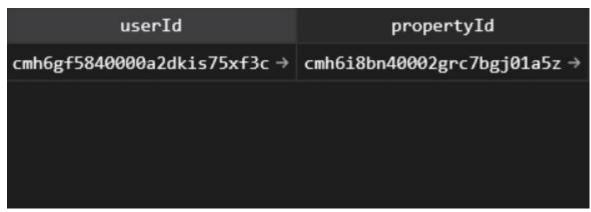


Property Owner Dashboard:

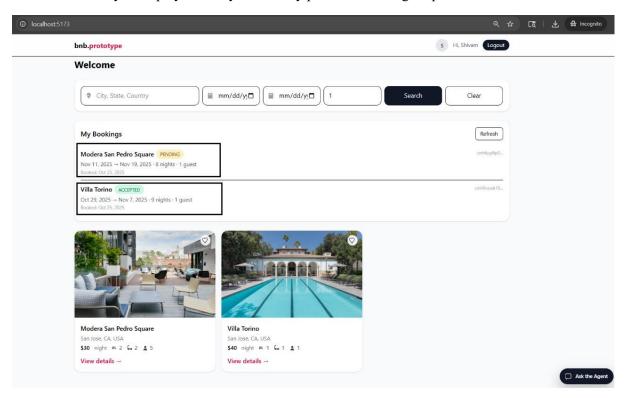


• Favourites - Mark properties as favorites, Display a favourites tab

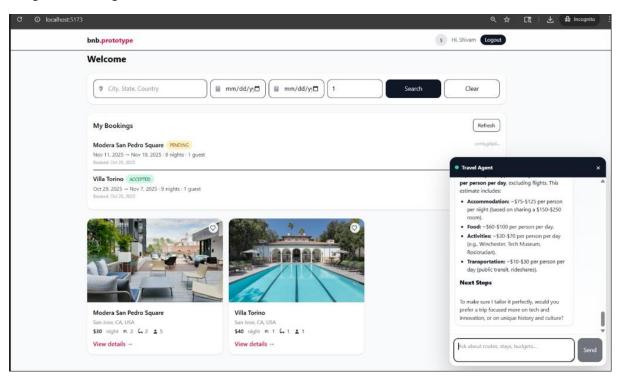


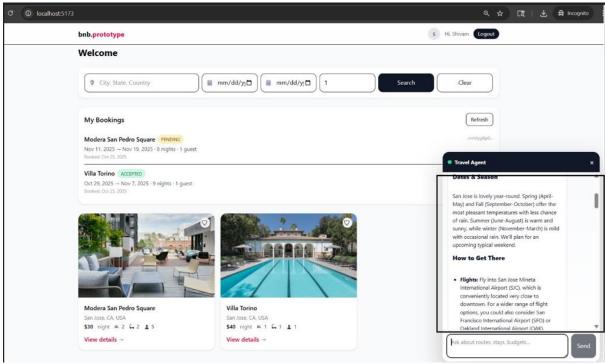


• Traveler History – Display a history tab for any previous bookings/trips taken.

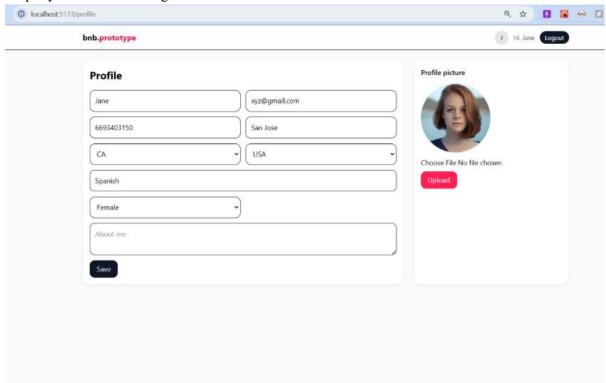


• Agent AI: the agent's button should be accessible to the user, from the dashboard

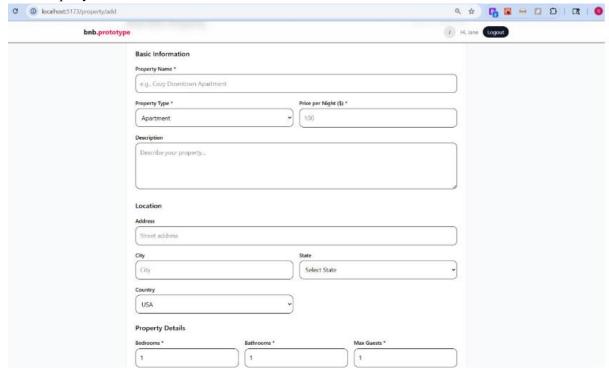


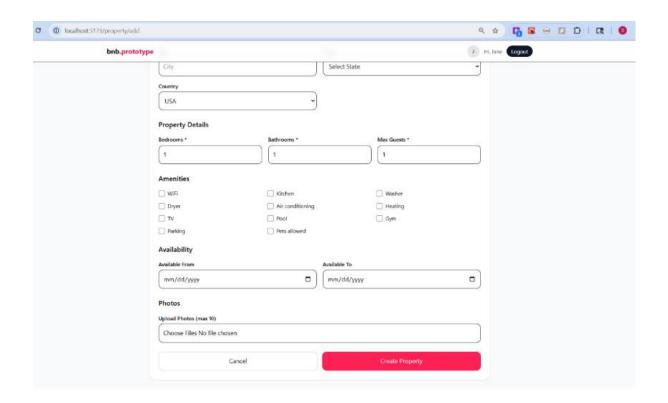


Property Owner Profile Page:



New Property Form:





Backend:

User table:

id	role	name	email	passwordHash	phone	about	city	state	cou	languages	gender	avatarUrl	createdAt
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Booking table:

id	travelerId	propertyId	startDate	endDate	guests	status	created∧t
cmh6ncwb10001hw2vj9mea0jr	cmh6gf584… →	cmh6i8b… →	2025-10-29 07:0	2025-11-07 0	1	ACCEPTED	2025-10-25 19:02:19.788
cmh6yg61p00048fjozkv48d8s	cmh6gf584… →	cmh6yfc… →	2025-11-11 08:0	2025-11-19 0	1	PENDING	2025-10-26 00:12:48.877

Property table:



bedrooms	bathrooms	maxGuests	amenities	photos	availableFrom	availableTo	createdAt
1	1	1	["WiFi", "Dryer", "TV", "Par	["/uploads/	2025-10-30 00:00:00.000	2025-11-08 00:00:00.000	2025-10
2	2		["WiFi", "Dryer", "TV", "Par	["/uploads/_	2025-10-27 00:00:00.000	2025-12-09 00:00:00.000	2025-10

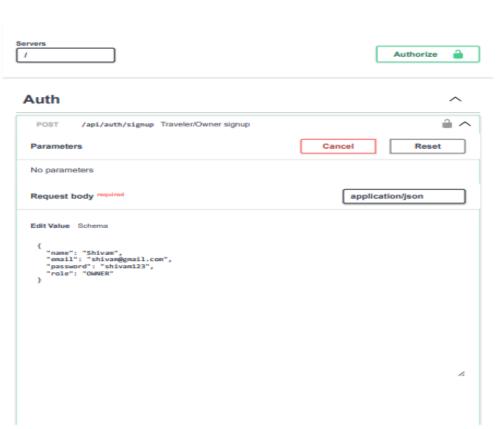
Session table:

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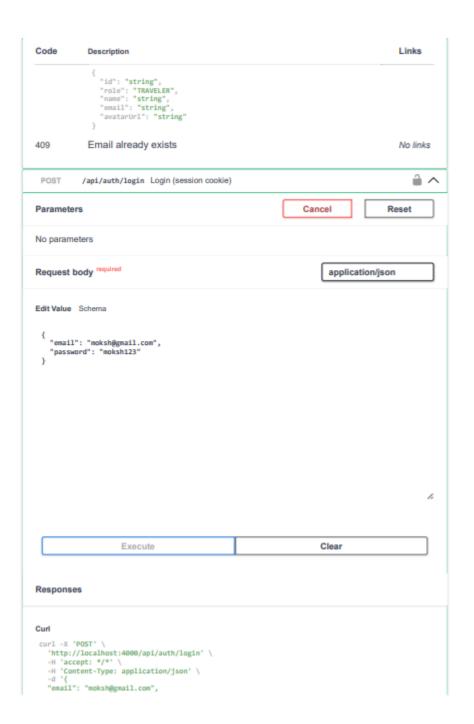
API Documentation:

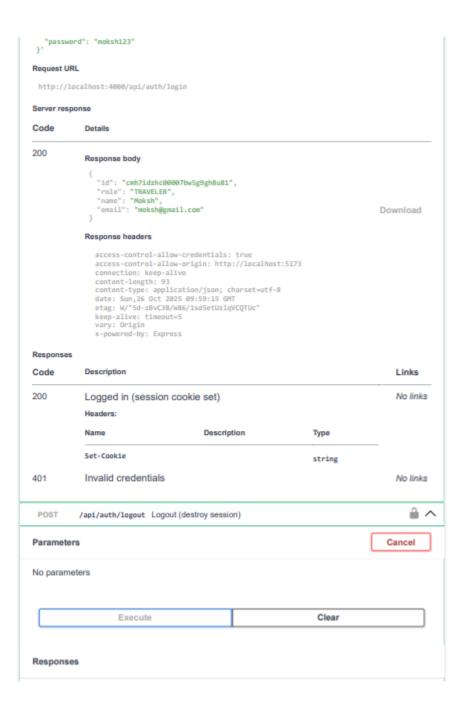
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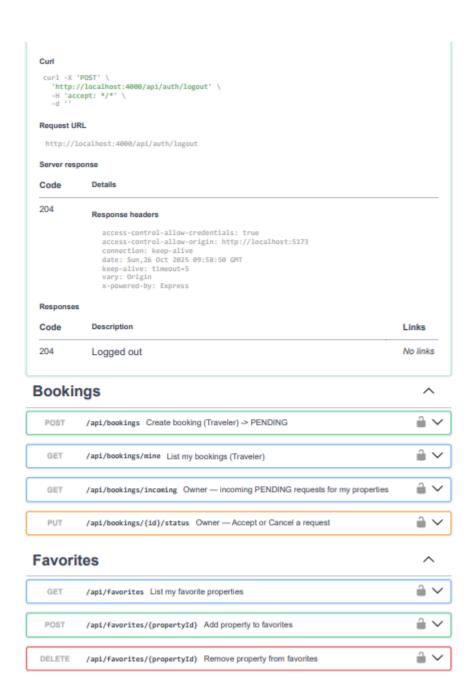
REST API for Traveler/Owner flows — session-auth, profiles, properties, bookings, favorites.



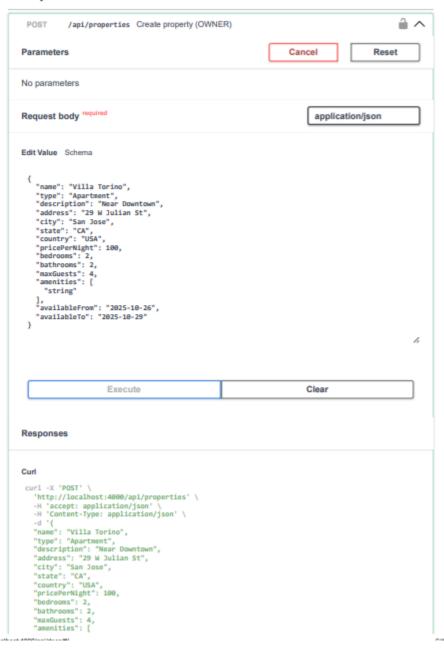
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Execute
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Responses
Curl
Curl -X 'POST' \
'http://localhost:4800/api/auth/signup' \
-H 'accept: application/json' \
-H 'Content-Type: application/json' \
-d '{
"name": "Shivam",
"email": "shivam@gmail.com",
"passwoord": "shivam@gmail.com",
"role": "OWNER"
}
Request URL
  http://localhost:4000/api/auth/signup
Server response
Code
201
                            Response body
                            "id": "cmh7imwn880817bwSuae8qixh",
"name": "Shivam",
"omail": "shivam@gmail.com",
"rolo": "GWNER",
"avatarUrl": null
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                            Response headers
                                access-control-allow-credentials: true
access-control-allow-origin: http://localhosti5173
connection: keep-alive
content-length: 189
content-type: application/jsomj charset-utf-8
date: Suh,26 Oct 2025 09:37:54 GMT
etag: W/*6d-EDF3ZYJbiQXSAdWyZmhXVgvEq40*
keep-alive: timeout-5
vary: Origin
x-powered-by: Express
Responses
Code
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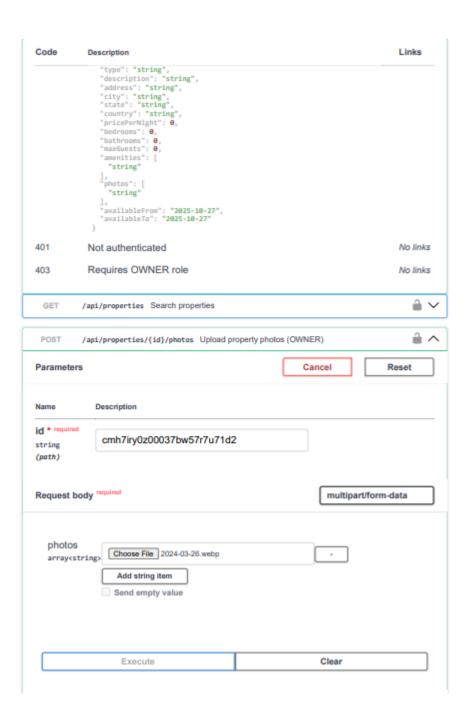


Properties



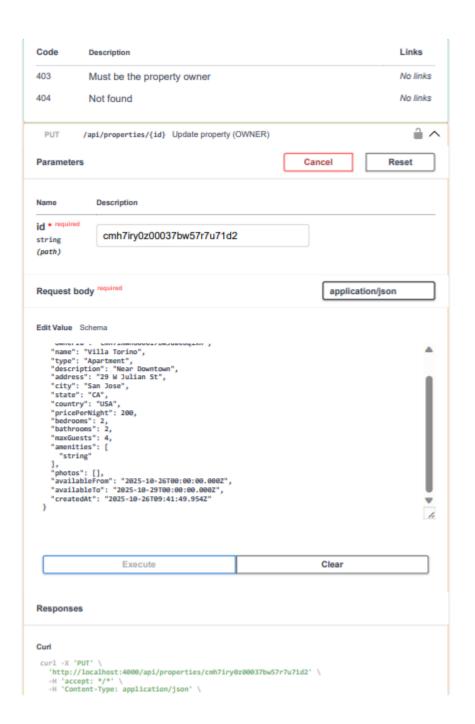
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"string"
     "availableFrom": "2025-10-26",
"availableTo": "2025-10-29"
Request URL
 http://localhost:4000/api/properties
Server response
Code
                               Details
200
                               Response body
                                   "id": "cmh7iry8z80837bw57r7u7id2",
"ownerId": "cmh7imwn80817bw5uae8qixh",
"name": "villa Torino",
"type": "Apartment",
"description": "Near Downtown",
"address": "29 W Julian St",
"city": "San Jose",
"state": "CA",
"pricePerNight": 100,
bedrooms": 2,
"bathrooms": 2,
"bathrooms": 4,
"amenities": [
"string"],
                                      "string"
],
"photos": [],
"availableFrom": "2025-10-26T00:00:00.0002",
"availableTo": "2025-10-29T00:00:00.0002",
"createdAt": "2025-10-26T09:41:49.9542"
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                               Response headers
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access-control-allow-origin: http://localhost:5173
connection: keep-alive
content-length: 436
content-type: application/json; charset-utf-8
date: Sun,26 Oct 2025 09:41:49 GWT
etag: W/"lb4-hE/yVQmoaKuphDrLrIOtellEvu0"
keep-alive: timeout-5
vary: Origin
x-powered-by: Express
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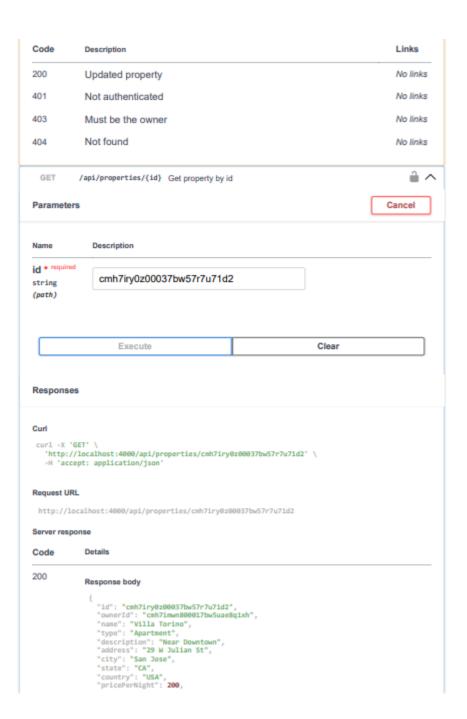


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Swagger UI
Responses
Curl
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Code
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200
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connection: keep-alive
content-length: 486
content-type: application/json; charset-wtf-8
date: Sun,26 Oct 2025 09:44:23 GMT
etag: M*1e6-vuloptaU2oD10CJNMTW1Ishva00*
keep-alive: timeout-5
vary: Origin
x-powered-by: Express
Responses
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Code	Description	Links
200	Updated property with photo URLs	No links
401	Not authenticated	No links

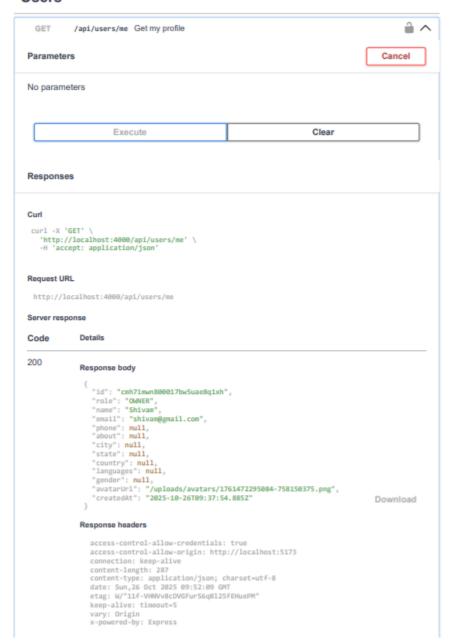


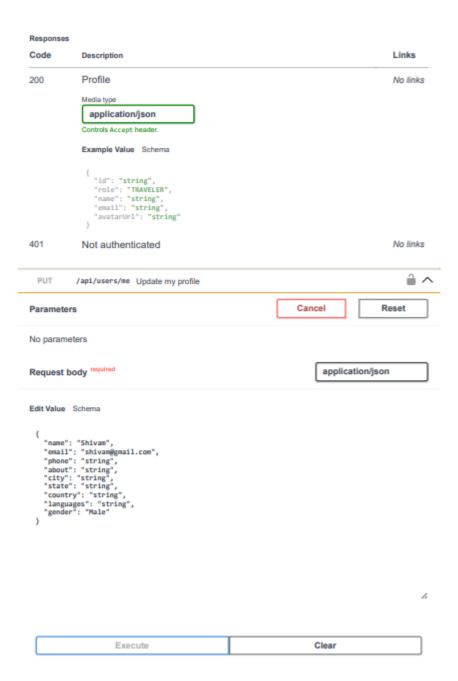
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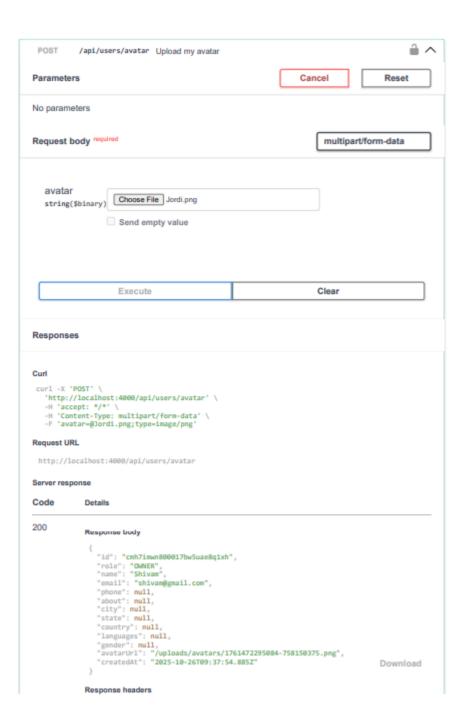
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                                    Property
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                                    Media type
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                                    Controls Accept header.
                                    Example Value Schema
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"description": "string",
"dddress": "string",
"address": "string",
"state": "string",
"country": "string",
"pricPerMight": 0,
"badrooms": 0,
"bathrooms": 0,
"maxGuests": 0,
"amenities": [
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                                           "photos": [
"string"
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Users

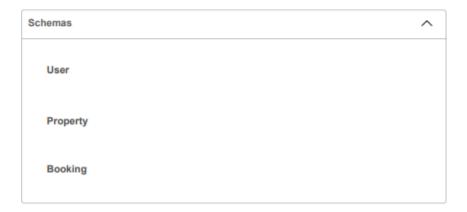




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Responses
 Curl -X 'PUT' \
'http://localhost:4000/api/users/me' \
-H 'accept: "/"' \
-H 'Content-Type: application/json' \
-d '{
"name": "Shivam",
"email": "shivam@gmail.com",
"phone": "string",
"about": "string",
"city": "string",
"city": "string",
"country": "string",
"country": "string",
"anguages": "string",
"gender": "Male"
}'
Curl
Request URL
          http://localhost:4000/api/users/me
Server response
Code
200
                                                                                            Response body
                                                                                              "id": "cmh7imwn800017bw5uae8qixh",
"role": "OWNER",
"name": "Shivam",
"email": "shivam@gmail.com",
"phone": "string",
"about": "string",
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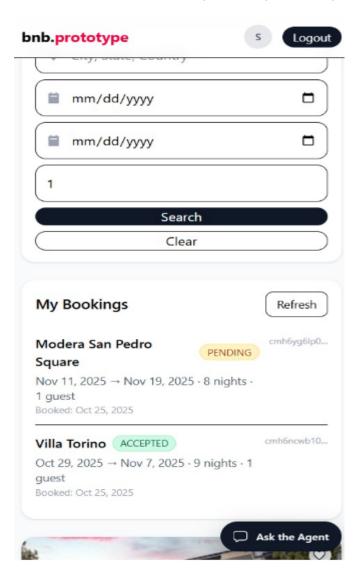


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Non-Functional Requirements:

The Airbnb Prototype Web Application also fulfills key non-functional objectives that ensure performance, scalability, and usability. The system's **responsive design** adapts seamlessly to desktops, tablets, and mobile devices using Tailwind CSS breakpoints and component-based layouts. **Accessibility** is enhanced through semantic HTML, proper labeling, and contrast-aware styling, while **scalability** is achieved via Docker Compose, allowing effortless orchestration of the frontend, backend, database, and AI microservices across environments.



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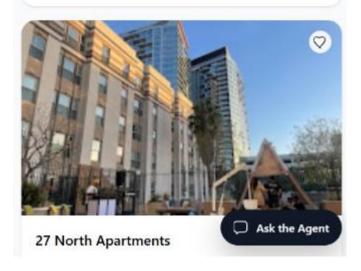


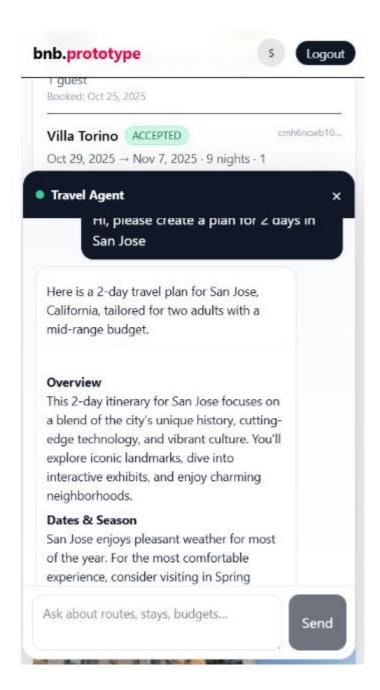
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Conclusion

The creation of the Airbnb Prototype Web Application is more than just the conclusion of a software project; it is the result of combining modern full-stack engineering with intelligent automation. Instead of just copying Airbnb's features, this system reimagines them using a contemporary technology framework that combines AI-driven personalization, scalability, and reactivity.

The project demonstrates how several frameworks may function well together inside a single architecture to produce a flawless digital experience by combining ReactJS, Node.js, Express.js, MySQL, and FastAPI. From the clever AI agent to the RESTful backend and interactive frontend, every layer was designed to communicate seamlessly, reflecting the complexity of dispersed systems found in the real world.

The AI concierge turns straightforward reservations into contextually informed travel experiences, elevating the customer experience from transactional to intelligent. This ecosystem is kept reproducible, portable, and prepared for deployment at any scale through the use of Docker Compose.

In the end, this project represents how online applications have changed over time, moving from static sites to self-governing, learning systems that anticipate user wants. In the age of digital travel, it is evidence of how careful engineering and inventiveness can turn code into an experience, bridging the gap between technology and human convenience.

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