

Proof of working code for Enterprise Programming Coursework Project

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Introduction

In this PDF file, I will be going through each completed section of the Enterprise Programming coursework in Manchester Metropolitan University (MMU) and provide proof of achievement for each completed section along with screenshots and short commentary.

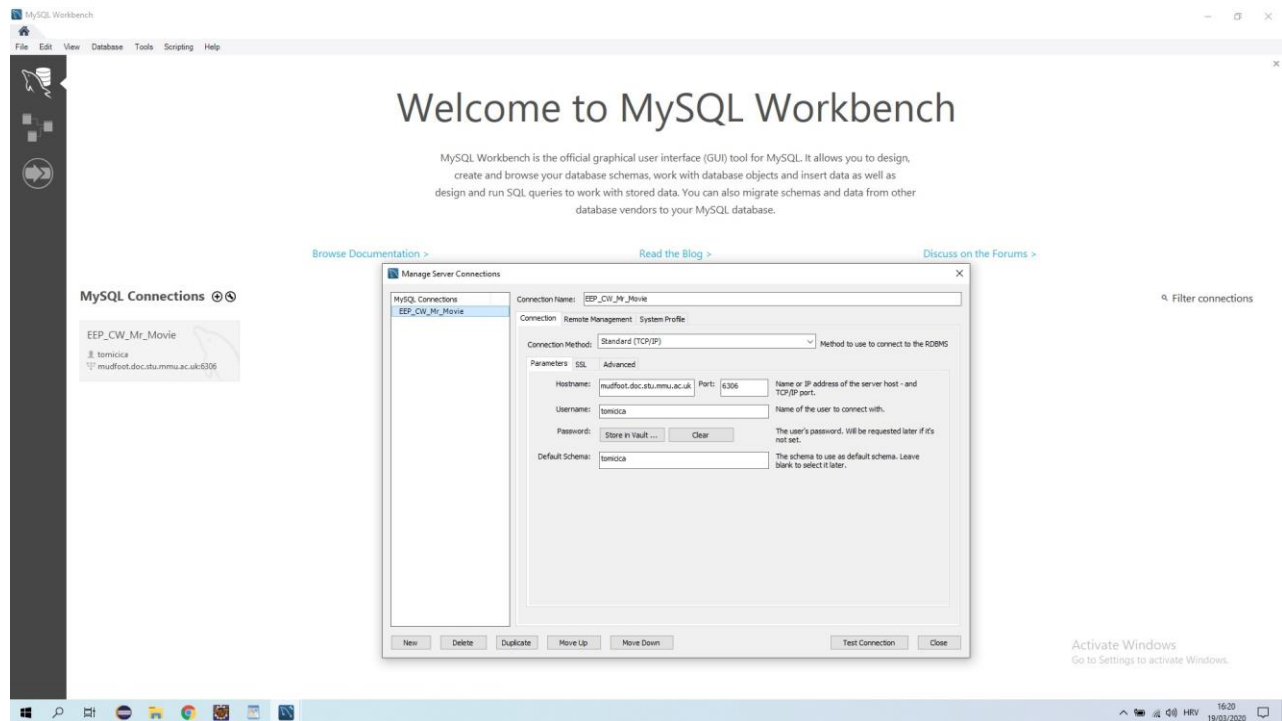
In short, the coursework task is making a dynamic web service using MySQL for the database in MySQL Workbench, Java for the back-end and AJAX, JavaScript, jQuery, HTML, CSS for the front-end, all inside Eclipse IDE using Tomcat 9.0 for the local server and Google Cloud Platform for cloud deployment. Along with an API, RESTful, SOAP and WSDL implementation and implementation of sound Software Engineering (SE) practices.

With each chapter I will go through main sections of the coursework and provide suitable explanation for each section that has been completed successfully.

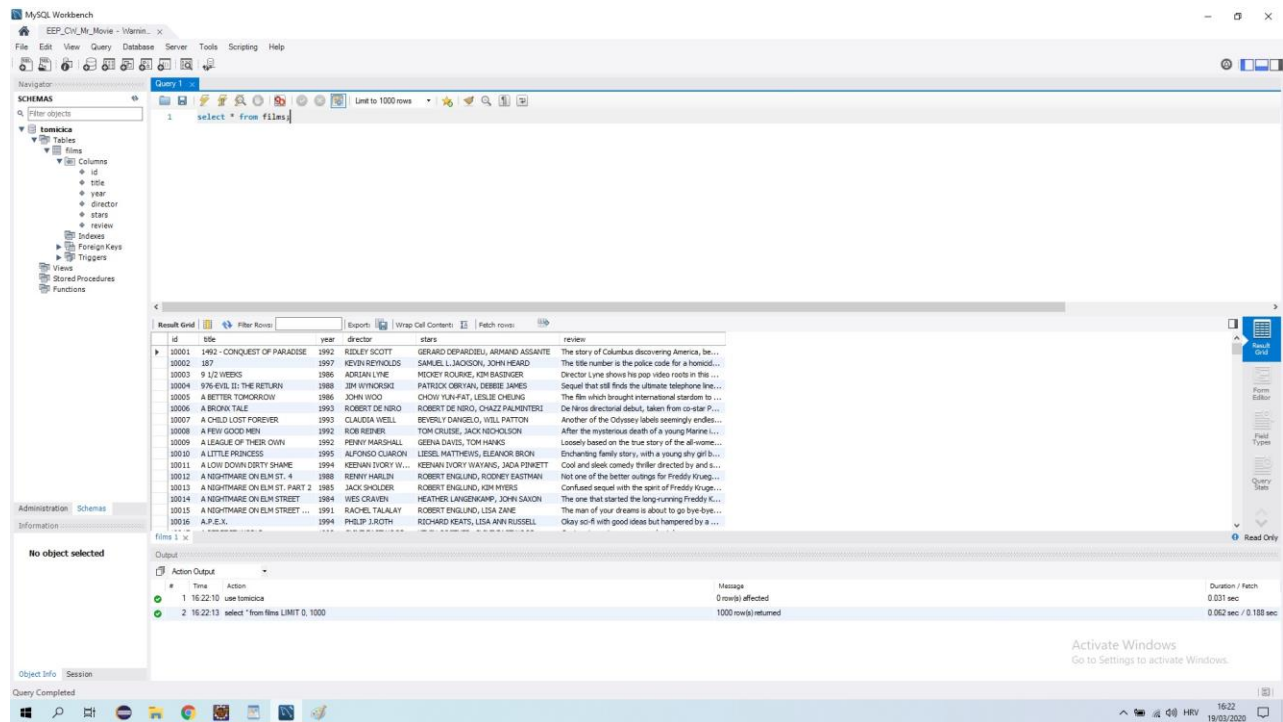
However, I have not attempted all tasks. Task such as SOAP/WSDL and REST have not been completed nor tried.

Database implementation

The database used in the development process was not local, rather it is stored at MMU servers with access allowed to the database. Picture 1. shows the connection to the database server and Picture 2. shows a “SELECT * FROM films;” statement executed as proof of working and finished database.



Picture 1. MMU server, database connection

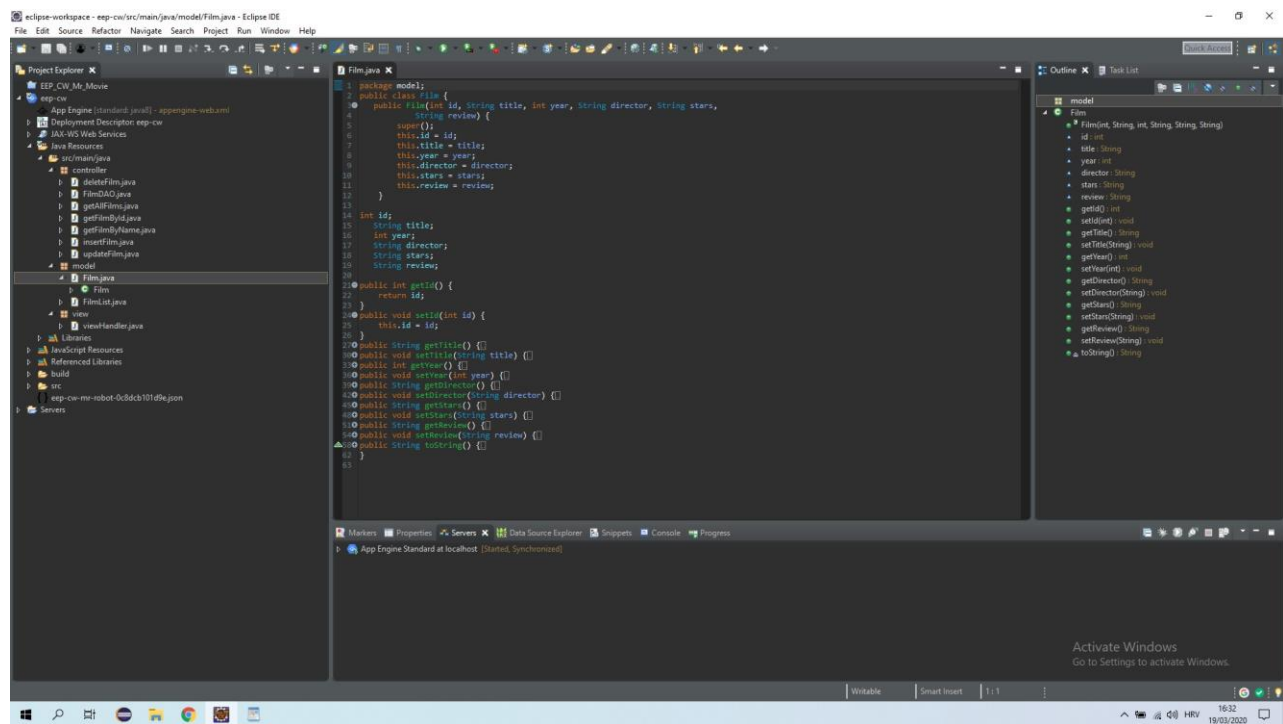


Picture 2. Proof of working database

Model-View-Controller implementation

In this chapter I will provide proof of Model-View-Controller (MVC) implementation and I will show a single screenshot for the model and for the view, and a couple of screenshots for the controller.

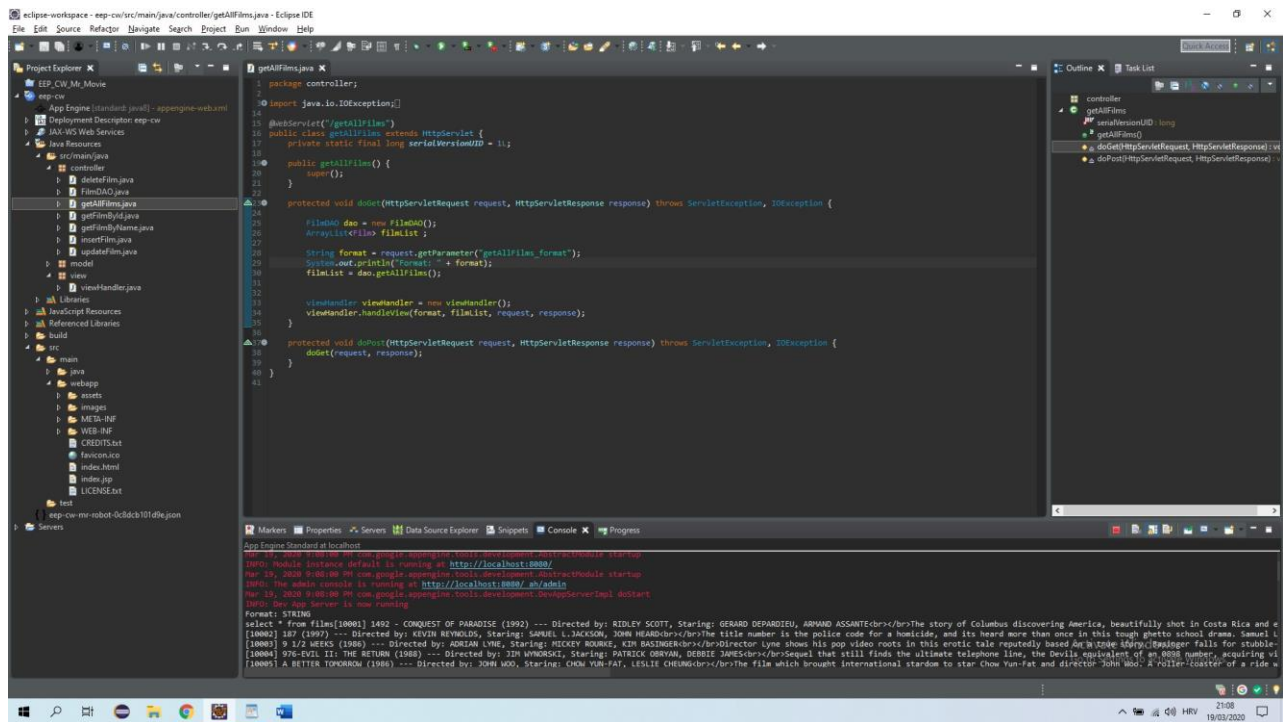
In Picture 3. you can see Eclipse IDE and on the left-hand side in the Project Explorer, the packages used: “Model”, “View”, “Controller”. Each package containing appropriate files and the controller being the only link between the model and the view, along with the code that describes the model and implements a class named Film.



Picture 3.MVC and preview of “Model” code

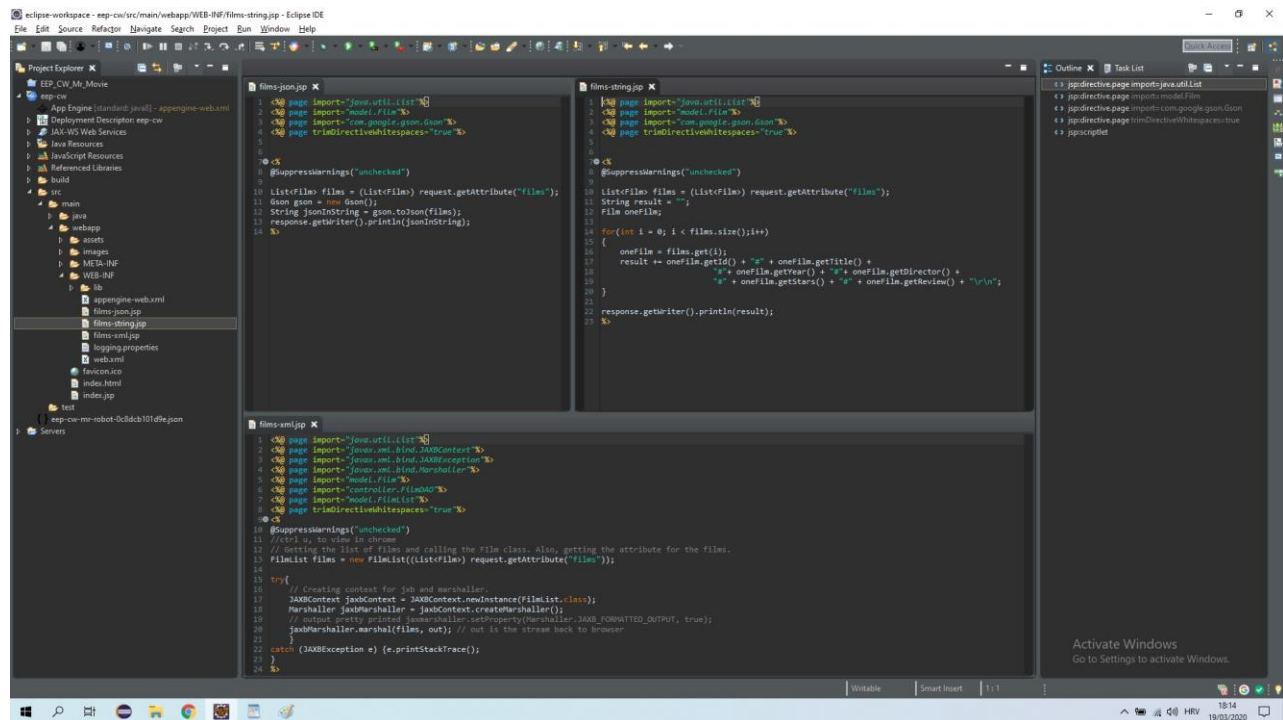
Picture 4. Shows the Application Programming Interface (API) as the java class called FilmDAO.java (DAO stands for Data Access Object) and is the single class that has the ability to access the model and the database. Picture 4. shows the code for the FilmDAO.java along with implementations of “getAllFilms()”, “openConection()” and “closeConnection” methods. Picture 5. will demonstrate how the API works in the browser and it will do so on the cloud application and “getAllFilms()” method using xml as format.

Picture 6. shows the servlet that was called in Picture 5. and is responsible for getting a list of all films from the FilmDAO.java class and the format, from the http request, in which the results are to be displayed, string, xml or json format. Upon receiving the information, it forwards the format, the result, meaning list of films, the request and the response to the View and then the View in the MVC takes care of formatting, displaying the results and responding.



Picture 6. "getAllFilms()" method implementation

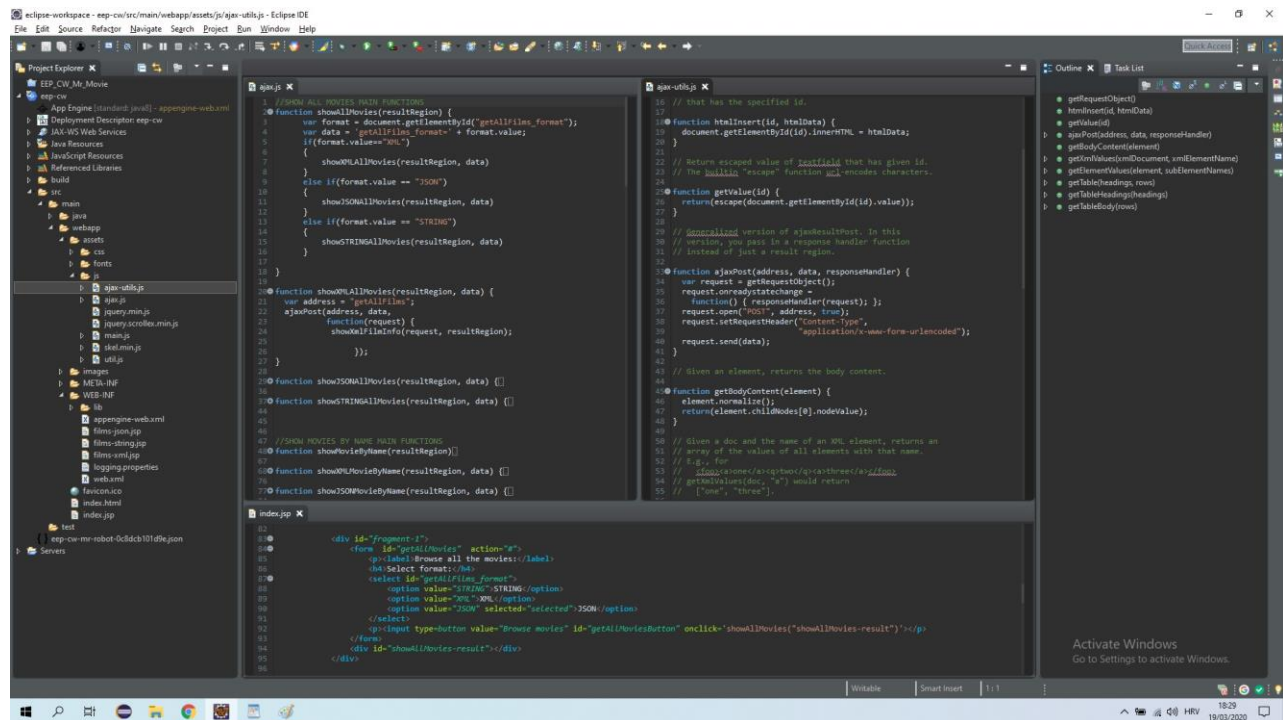
Picture 7. shows the code for the View in MVC and is called upon by each servlet when it needs to display results.



Picture 8. Three .jps files used for formatting the output

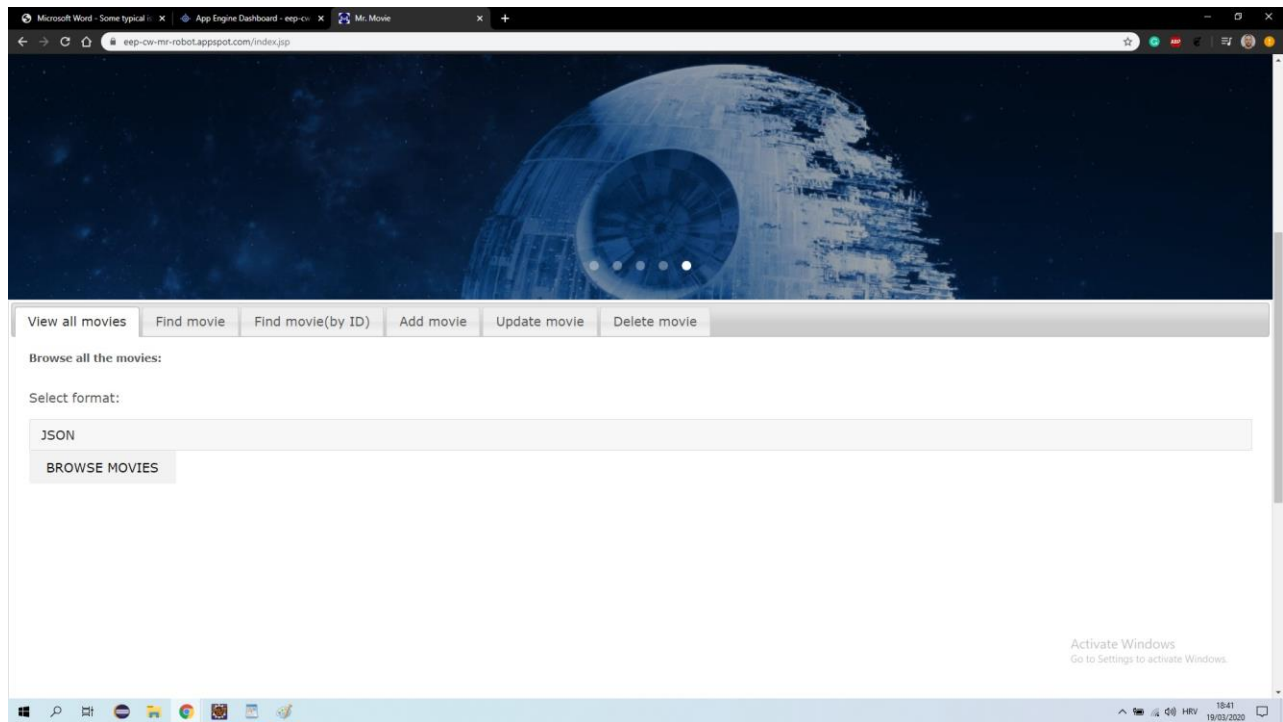
Browser side: Ajax and jQuery

In this section I will go over the main touching points concerning the client or the browser side of the application. Picture 9. shows the html snippet of the index.jsp (homepage of the application) at the bottom that contains html code for invoking the “getAllFilms()” method. Furthermore, it shows the highest abstraction level code of ajax on the left-hand side and the usage of jQuery functions on the right-hand side to generate a POST request to the server.



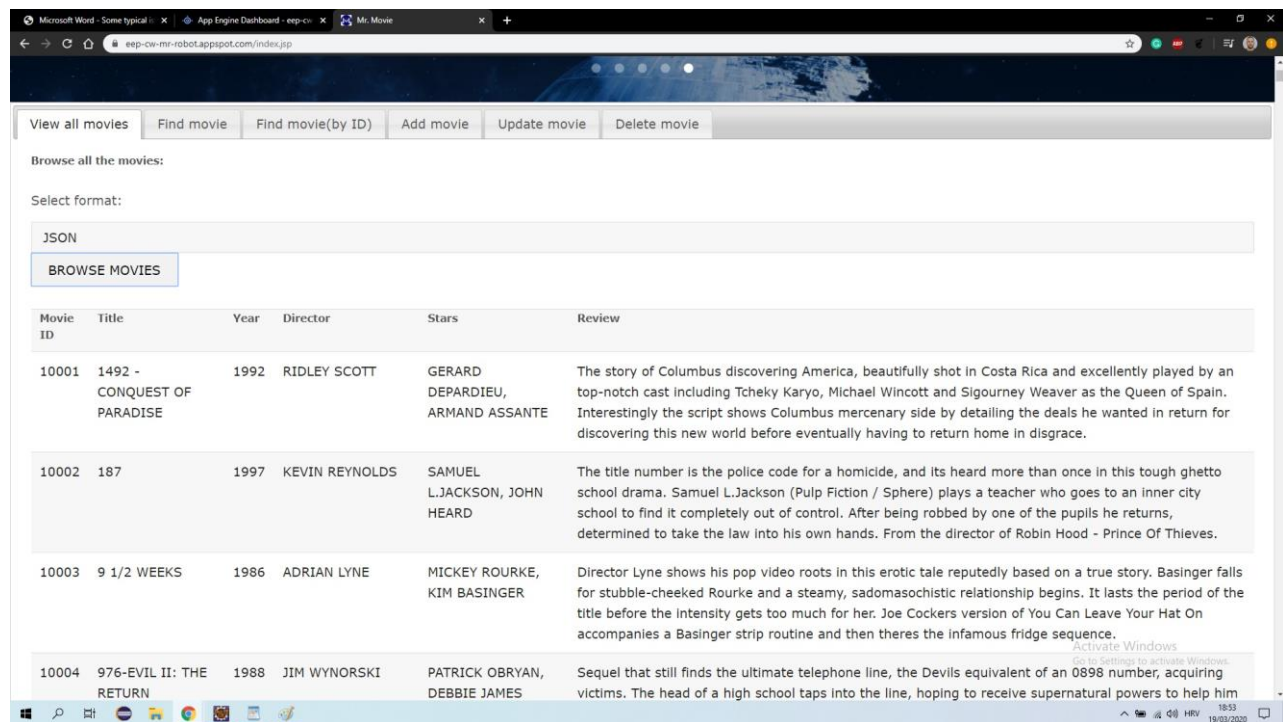
Picture 9. HTML, Ajax and jQuery snippets for invoking “getAllFilm()” method

Picture 10. is a visual representation of Picture 9. and proves that jQuery User Interface was used in the front-end of the application. Not only that, as you can see in the url of the browser, it is not based on a local server. Which means that the application is cloud based and uses Google Cloud Platform. However, the database is not stored on the cloud but rather at the MMU database server, even though I have put in the effort to make it possible.



Picture 10. Front-end, jQuery UI for “getAllFilms()”

Picture 11. Shows the result of the invoked method “getAllFilms()” using json format, and thus proving that the format is successfully passed inside a request to a servlet i.e. Controller which accesses the Model and retrieves the data from the database which then forwards to the Viewer. The Viewer then formats the data and sends it back to the client where ajax and jQuery shape the data into a table and display it as seen in the Picture 11.



Picture 11. Results of “getAllFilms()” invoked in the browser