

Lab Mid-Term Report - Advanced Web Technologies

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Project Title: Book Management Web Application

Objective:

To develop a full-stack web application that allows users to:

- View a list of books.
- Search books by author.
- Add new books to the system.

Tools & Technologies Used:

- **Frontend:** HTML, CSS (Bootstrap), JavaScript
- **Backend:** Node.js, Express.js
- **Database:** MongoDB (using Compass for local database)
- **Package Manager:** npm

Project Structure:

book-app/

├── backend/

| ├── models/

| | └── bookModel.js

| ├── routes/

| | └── bookRoutes.js

| ├── .env

| └── server.js

├── frontend/

| ├── index.html

| └── add.html

| └─ style.css (optional)

Backend Functionality:

- **/api/books [GET]:** Retrieves all books or filters by author using query string.
- **/api/books [POST]:** Adds a new book to MongoDB.
- **Mongoose model:** Defined in bookModel.js with fields: title, author, price.
- **MongoDB Connection:** Uses Mongoose to connect using .env configuration.

add.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>

<html lang="en">

<head>

  <title>Add Book</title>

  <link rel="stylesheet"
href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@5.3.0/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css">

</head>

<body class="p-4">

  <h1>Add a New Book</h1>

  <form id="addBookForm">

    <input class="form-control mb-2" name="title" placeholder="Title" required />

    <input class="form-control mb-2" name="author" placeholder="Author" required />

    <input class="form-control mb-2" name="price" type="number" placeholder="Price" required
/>

    <button class="btn btn-success">Submit</button>

  </form>

  <script>

document.getElementById('addBookForm').addEventListener('submit', async (e) => {

  e.preventDefault();

  const formData = new FormData(e.target);

  const data = Object.fromEntries(formData);

  await fetch('http://localhost:5000/api/books', {
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        method: 'POST',
        headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' },
        body: JSON.stringify(data)
    });
    alert('Book added!');
    window.location.href = 'index.html';
});
</script>
</body>
</html>
```

└─ index.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <title>Book List</title>
    <link rel="stylesheet"
href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@5.3.0/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css">
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="style.css">
</head>
<body class="bg-light">
    <div class="container py-4">
        <h1 class="text-center mb-4">📖 Book Collection</h1>

        <input type="text" id="authorSearch" placeholder="Search by author..." class="form-control mb-3"
/>

        <div id="bookList" class="row g-4"></div>
```

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<div class="text-center mt-4">

  <a href="add.html" class="btn btn-success">✚ Add New Book</a>

</div>

</div>

<script>

const listContainer = document.getElementById('bookList');
const searchInput = document.getElementById('authorSearch');

async function fetchBooks(author = "") {
  try {
    const res = await fetch(`http://localhost:5000/api/books?author=${author}`);
    const books = await res.json();

    if (books.length === 0) {
      listContainer.innerHTML = `<p class="text-center">No books found.</p>`;
      return;
    }

    listContainer.innerHTML = books.map(book => `
      <div class="col-md-4">
        <div class="card shadow-sm">
          <div class="card-body">
            <h5 class="card-title">${book.title}</h5>
            <h6 class="card-subtitle mb-2 text-muted">${book.author}</h6>
            <p class="card-text">Price: <strong>${book.price}</strong></p>
          </div>
        </div>
      </div>
    `).join("");
  } catch (err) {
    listContainer.innerHTML = `<p class="text-danger text-center">Error fetching books.</p>`;
  }
}

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        console.error(err);
    }
}

```

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        searchInput?.addEventListener('input', e => fetchBooks(e.target.value));
        fetchBooks();
    </script>
</body>
</html>

```

```

└─ routes/
  | | └─ bookRoutes.js

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```

const express = require('express');
const router = express.Router();
const Book = require('../models/Book');

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```

router.get('/', async (req, res) => {
  try {
    const { author } = req.query;
    const query = author ? { author: new RegExp(author, 'i') } : {};
    const books = await Book.find(query);
    res.json(books);
  } catch (err) {
    console.error('Error fetching books:', err);
    res.status(500).json({ error: 'Failed to fetch books' });
  }
});

```

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router.post('/', async (req, res) => {
  try {

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```

const { title, author, price } = req.body;

// Validate required fields
if (!title || !author || !price) {
  return res.status(400).json({ error: 'Missing required fields' });
}

const newBook = new Book({ title, author, price });
await newBook.save();
res.status(201).json(newBook);
} catch (err) {
  console.error('Error saving book:', err);
  res.status(500).json({ error: 'Failed to save book' });
}
});

module.exports = router;

```

└─ **models/**

| | └─ **bookModel.js**

```

const mongoose = require('mongoose');

const bookSchema = new mongoose.Schema({
  title: { type: String, required: true },
  author: { type: String, required: true },
  price: { type: Number, required: true }
});

module.exports = mongoose.model('Book', bookSchema);

```