Google Chrome Extension: NewsPrettifier

Using Go, HTML, CSS, Javascript, and GCE API



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News Prettifier

ABOUT THE EXTENSION



WHAT IT IS

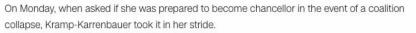
- A Google Chrome Extension which "prettifies" certain news websites
 - Remove irrelevant information
 - Advertisements
 - Related articles
 - Links
 - Add customization to the prettified pages



Related Article: Climate change concerns sour Germany's love for cars

For the first time ever, this week the Greens polled in first place, usurping the CDU, according to the Forsa Trendbarometer conducted by CNN affiliate, RTL.

Merkel is nothing if not a pragmatic dealmaker. But she has tried this political combination before and failed. In the past, Merkel has said she only intends to complete her term and ruled out running for any political office after 2021. Is her successor ready to take on the challenge?



She said: "There are very good reasons to not recklessly end a government, considering the situation in Germany and Europe. We at the CDU are obliged to provide reliability and stability."

"You can be assured that the CDU is ready for any possibility that may or may not happen."



Now Playing Merkel admits need for...

Tyra Banks talks new 'SI' cover with Don Lemon

Rex Tillerson proves something very important...



Jordan's King tells



Judith Kerr, author of 'The Tiger Who Palestinians must... Came to Tea...



More than a game. 24/7 coverage of the world's top stars

LATEST NEWS

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Forget "Language Barriers" With

FEATURES

- Remove irrelevant content from the news page
 - Links
 - Related news
 - Advertisement
 - Buttons
 - Anything except article content
- Customization
 - Choose which theme you want to use
 - Choose font size

FEATURES

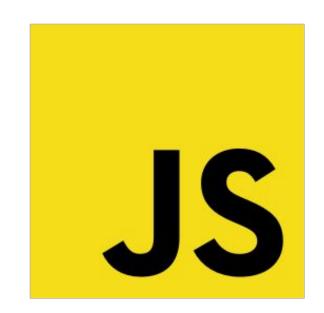
- Account
 - Users can register an account
 - Keep the customization preferences
 - Save article history
 - Can go back to pages the user viewed previously

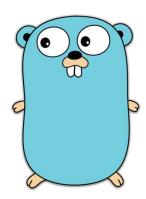
FEATURES: SUPPORTED WEBSITES

- ABC News
- Fox News
- Sky News
- The New York Times
- CNN
- China Post
- Taipei Times

IMPLEMENTATION







LANGUAGES

- Go
 - Backend
 - Rendering Template
- SQL
- HTML/CSS
- Javascript
 - Scraping
 - Chrome extension uses Javascript

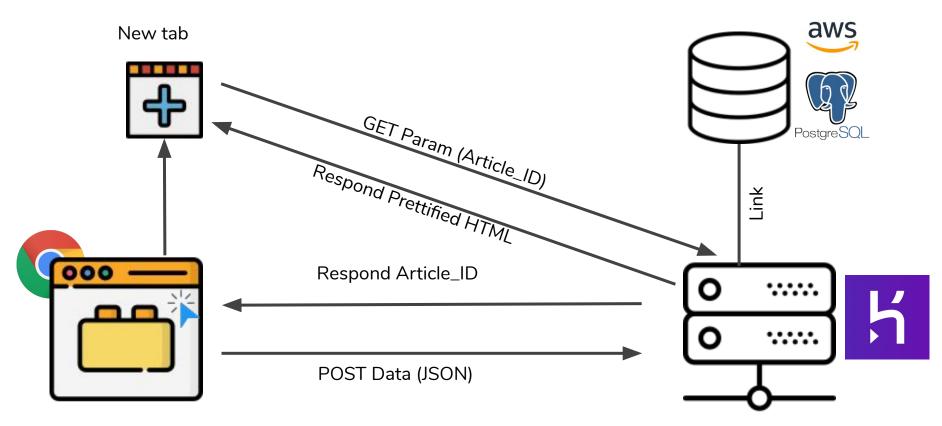
FRAMEWORKS/LIBRARIES

- Javascript
 - Ajax
 - HTTP Requests
 - jQuery
 - Scraping
 - Chrome Extension API
 - Used for GUI and Login system

EXECUTION PIPELINE

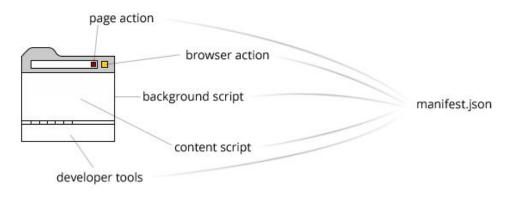
CONTENT SCRIPT BACKGROUND SERVER POPUP.JS **NEW TAB** Content script runs on Background receives Server has a route on If the user presses the Background opens a "Prettify" button (if it new tab with the every newly opened the parsing result (a '/article' which listens JSON file) from is available), popup.js tab. The script will the POST request, and prettyfied news parse the news Content script, and dispatch 'createArticle' will send a message to article. websites according to will issue a POST function to that the Background, their structure, and request to the server creates and saves the ordering it to open a Server responds the send the parsing result (hosted on Heroku). article in database. new tab with the rendered prettified (a JSON file) to article to browser. The server will provide After that, responds a Article ID that it got Background. Background with a from the server. unique Article_ID back unique Article ID for to client.

the requested article.

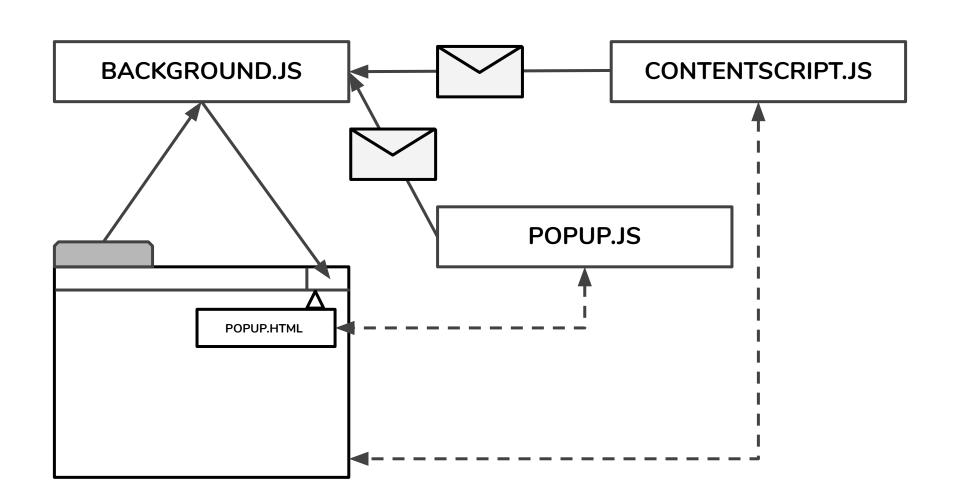


Target Article

CHROME EXTENSION OVERVIEW



- Controlled by Manifest.json
 - Permissions
 - Page/Browser Action
- Content Script
 - Acts on the current page, no fetch needed
- Background Script
 - For communication
- Pop Up HTML/JS
 - Shows when page action is enabled



MESSAGE PASSING

- Message passing is done through Chrome API
 - chrome.extension
- Two types of connections
 - Send a one time message (and receive optional response)
 - Establish a connection between two extension parts
 - Allows continuous message exchange
- We use messages to communicate between content.js, background.js, and popup.js

MESSAGE PASSING: SINGLE MESSAGE

```
chrome.runtime.sendMessage({greeting: "hello"}, function(response) {
  console.log(response.farewell);
});
```

GO SERVER

- gorilla/mux
 - URL router and dispatcher
- gorilla/securecookie
 - User Cookie Values
- net/http
 - HTTP Implementation
 - GET, POST, UPDATE, DELETE, REDIRECT etc.
- lib/pq
 - Postgres Drive for Go
- text/template
 - Rendering Template

DATABASE TABLE

account						
username	VARCHAR	PK				
email	VARCHAR	NOT NULL				
password	VARCHAR	NOT NULL				
color	INT	DEFAULT 0				
size	INT	DEFAULT 0				

article						
article_id	UUID	PK				
title	VARCHAR	NOT NULL				
author	VARCHAR	NOT NULL				
content	VARCHAR	NOT NULL				
origin	VARCHAR	NOT NULL				
username	VARCHAR	DEFAULT ""				
time	TIMESTAMP	CURRENT_T IMESTAMP				

SQL FOR ACCOUNT

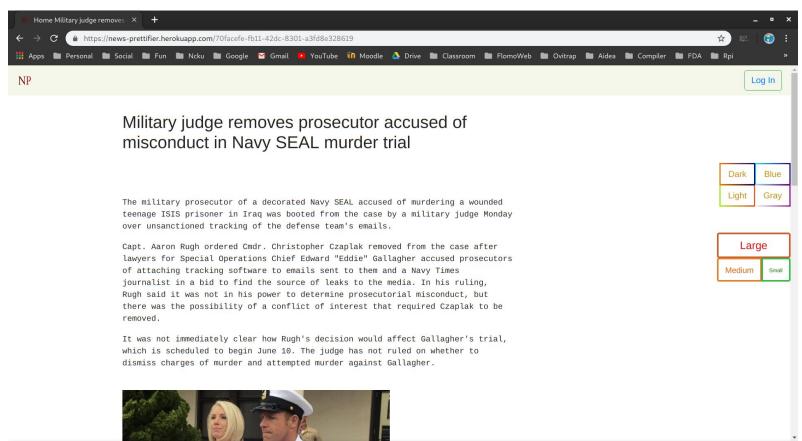
- getAccount
 - SELECT password, email, color, size FROM account where username = {};
- updateAccountSettings
 - UPDATE account SET color={}, size={} WHERE username = {};
- createAccount
 - INSERT INTO account (username, email, password)
 VALUES ({}, {}, {});

SQL FOR ARTICLE

- createArticle
 - INSERT INTO article (title, author, content, origin) VALUES ({},{},{});
- getArticle
 - SELECT title, author, content, origin FROM article WHERE article_id={};
- updateArticleUser
 - UPDATE article SET username=\$1 WHERE article_id={};
- getArticles
 - SELECT article_id, title FROM article WHERE username={};

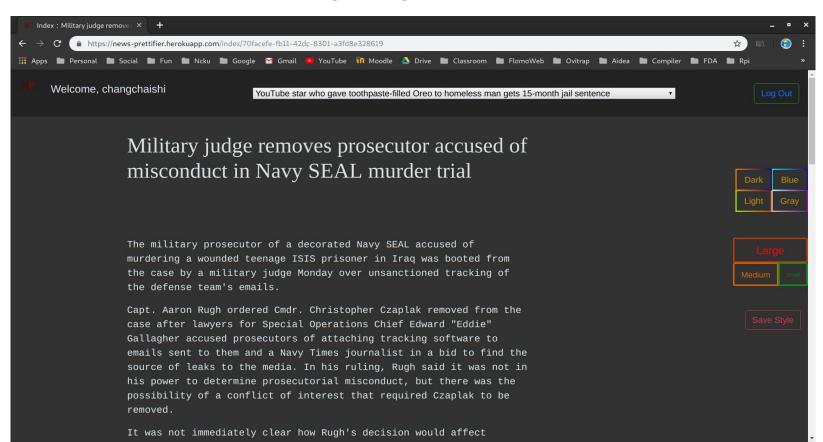
HOME PAGE (User Logged out)

URL: GET /{ uuid }



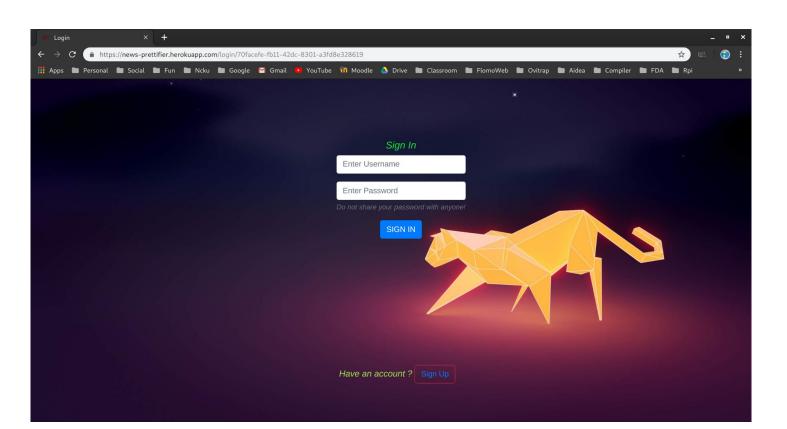
INDEX PAGE (User Logged in)

URL: GET /index/{ uuid }



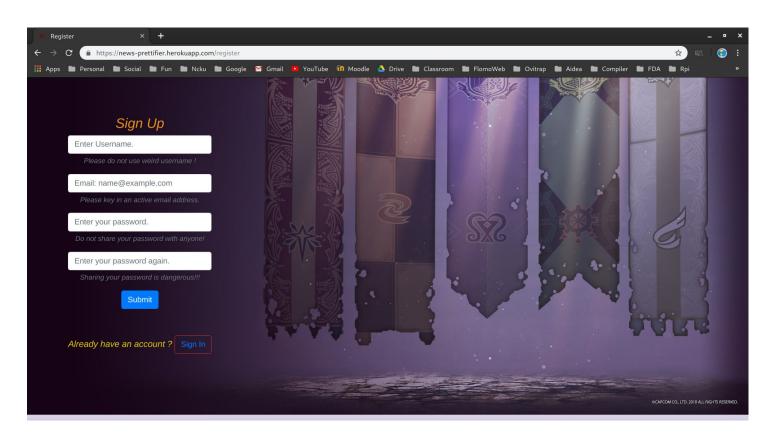
LOGIN PAGE

• URL: GET /login/{ uuid }



REGISTER PAGE

• URL: GET /register



NEWS ARTICLE PARSING

- Scrape the 7 websites: ABC News, Fox News, Sky
 News, New York Times, CNN, China Post, Taipei Times
- jQuery

NEWS ARTICLE PARSING: ATTRIBUTES

var title = "";

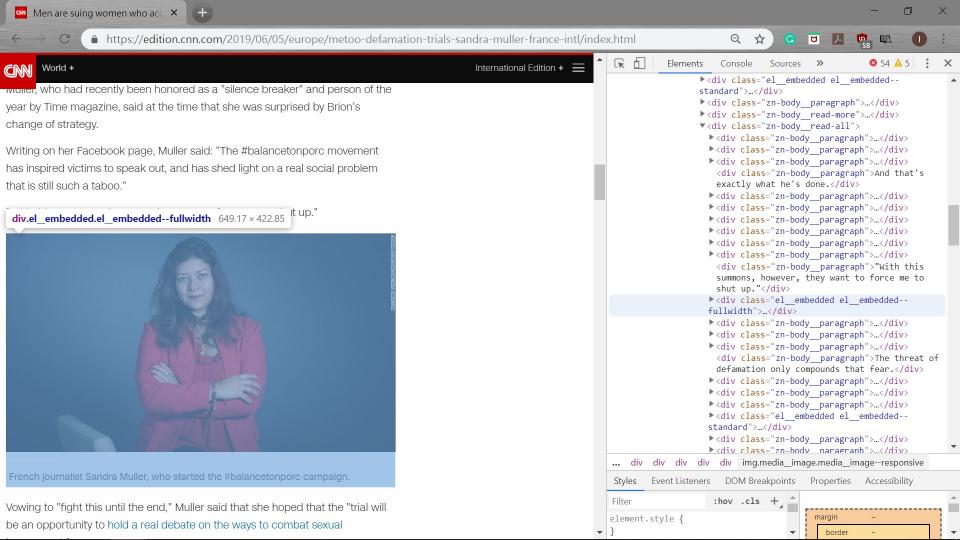
var author = "";

var content = "";

var url = window.location.href;

var hostname = window.location.hostname;

- URL
- Hostname
- Title
- Author(s)
- Content (article text and images)



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content.js
      var title = "";
      var author = "";
      var content = "";
      /* CNN */
     Fif (hostname == "edition.cnn.com") {
          title = $("h1.pg-headline").text();
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          author = $("span.metadata byline author").text();
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              } else if ($(this)[0].className == "zn-body paragraph speakable") {
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                  content = content.concat("", $(this).text(), "");
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          });
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                   } else {
                      content = content.concat("", $(this).text(), "");
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                  content = content.concat(" width=500px style=\"padding-bottom:0.5em;\" /><br/>");
                  content = content.concat($(this).children("div").children("div").children("div.media caption").text(), "</div><br/>);
          });
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          if ($("p.zn-body footer").text() != "") {
              content = content.concat("<i>", $("p.zn-body footer").text(), "</i>");
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NEWS ARTICLE PARSING: JSON

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a_json = {
    "title": title,
    "author": author,
    "content": content,
    "origin": url
}
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NEWS ARTICLE PARSING: COMPLEXITY

- Subtitles, advertisements, extensive reading...
- Children of children of children...
- Inconsistent design and structure.

WIFE OF NAVY SEAL EDDIE GALLAGHER SAYS SHE, CHILDREN 'HAD A GOOD, LONG CRY' AFTER HUSBAND'S PRE-TRIAL RELEASE

But, Rugh chided Navy investigators who refused to testify Friday about who authorized the tracking scheme, saying the "lack of candor or cooperation in this process, I think, could be huge as a sign of culpability." The defense discovered the tracking code hidden in a suspicious logo of an American flag with a bald eagle perched on the scales of justice beneath Czaplak's signature.



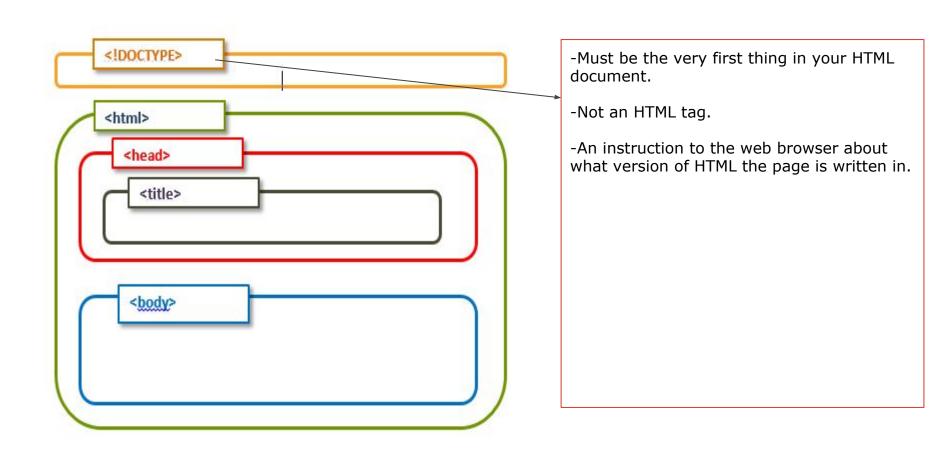
Navy SEAL Eddie Gallagher released from custody ahead of murder trial

The Navy SEAL accused of killing an injured teen ISIS prisoner in Iraq has been freed from custody as a judge decides the fate of the case; Dan Springer reports. Rugh indicated Friday he was misled about the tracking effort. He said investigators told him privately they planned to embed code in what he believed to be a court document to help them find the source of leaks but the judge said he didn't have the power to authorize such a tactic and wasn't told they planned to target emails sent to the defense lawyers or a journalist.

Gallagher is accused of stabbing to death a 15-year old ISIS fighter in Iraq in 2017, shooting two civilians in the same year and opening fire on crowds, all charges to which he has pleaded not quilty.

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FRONT-END DESIGN



Inside <head> </head>

- The k> tag defines a link between a document and an external resource.
- In HTML the k> tag has no end tag.
- The <style> tag is used to define style information for an HTML document.

Inside <body> </body>

- The <body> element contains all the contents of an HTML document, such as text, hyperlinks, images, tables, lists, etc.
- The <div> tag defines a division or a section in an HTML document.
- Often used as a container for other HTML elements to style them with CSS or to perform certain tasks with JavaScript.

example:

Bootstrap Grid System

Bootstrap's grid system allows up to 12 columns across the page.

If you do not want to use all 12 columns individually, you can group the columns together to create wider columns:

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Bootstrap's grid system is responsive, and the columns will re-arrange automatically depending on the screen size.

Inside <script> </script>

- The <script> tag is used to define a client-side script (JavaScript).
- The <script> element either contains scripting statements, or it points to an external script file through the src attribute.

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Example: <script
src="https://code.jquery.com/jquery-3.4.1.min.js"</script>
Javascript:

function Large() {

document.getElementById("text1").style.fontSize="large";
}
```

DEMONSTRATION

THANK YOU

News Prettifier