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I. Overview

As a university student, one of the main concerns is purchasing textbooks every new semester. New textbooks are expensive, and only used for a semester. Therefore, many of the students prefer purchasing a second handed textbook. Currently, facebook textbook exchange group is the only place available for UNSW students to buy and sell, which is not reliable.

Our team has worked on creating a centralised platform for UNSW students to easily and securely buy second-handed textbooks. For users, in addition to purchasing textbooks, our website also provides personalised recommendations based on their major that they have provided us. For admins, we provide analytics which will help them when managing stocks.

Goal

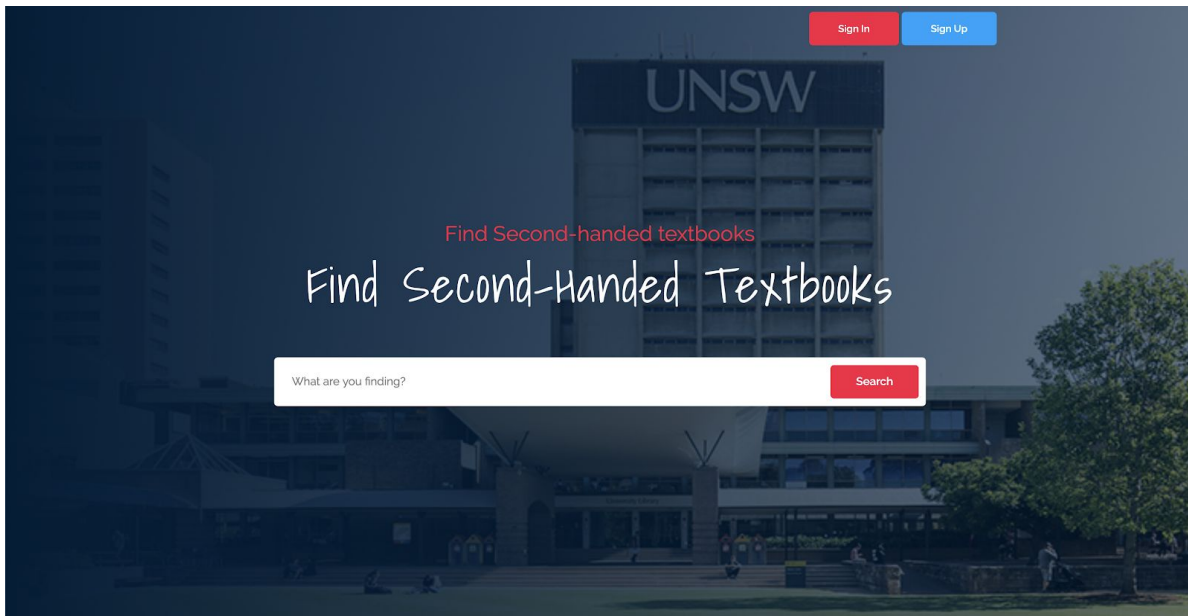
Our team's common goal is to create a second-hand book trading platform belonging to the University of New South Wales. This platform allows students to freely buy and search for second-hand books on the platform according to their own requirements, so as to quickly get useful information. The platform will also achieve maintainability, practicality, security, and aesthetics.

Design

To design the platform, we split the work to front end and back end. Firstly, for the front end, our team decided to use pure html, css and javascript and use bootstrap framework to make our website much better. Secondly, for the backend, our team decided to use Springboot, which is a Java framework. The next step is to choose the sql engine and design the tables of the database and the relationship among sql tables. Our team uses InnoDB of Mysql to be the SQL engine. Then our team needs to combine the back end and front end, which is implemented by Thymeleaf, a model engine that can be used in Springboot. After that, the programming environment needs to be set up. Our team uses IntelliJ IDEA to be our IDE and set the environment inside, which uses maven to manage the project.

II. Functionalities

A. Homepage



This is a default page that a user will face first when they visit our website. Before the user logins(as normal user or admin), There will be no navigation bar visible nor the book recommendation. Users can login/register by using the buttons located top left of the index page.

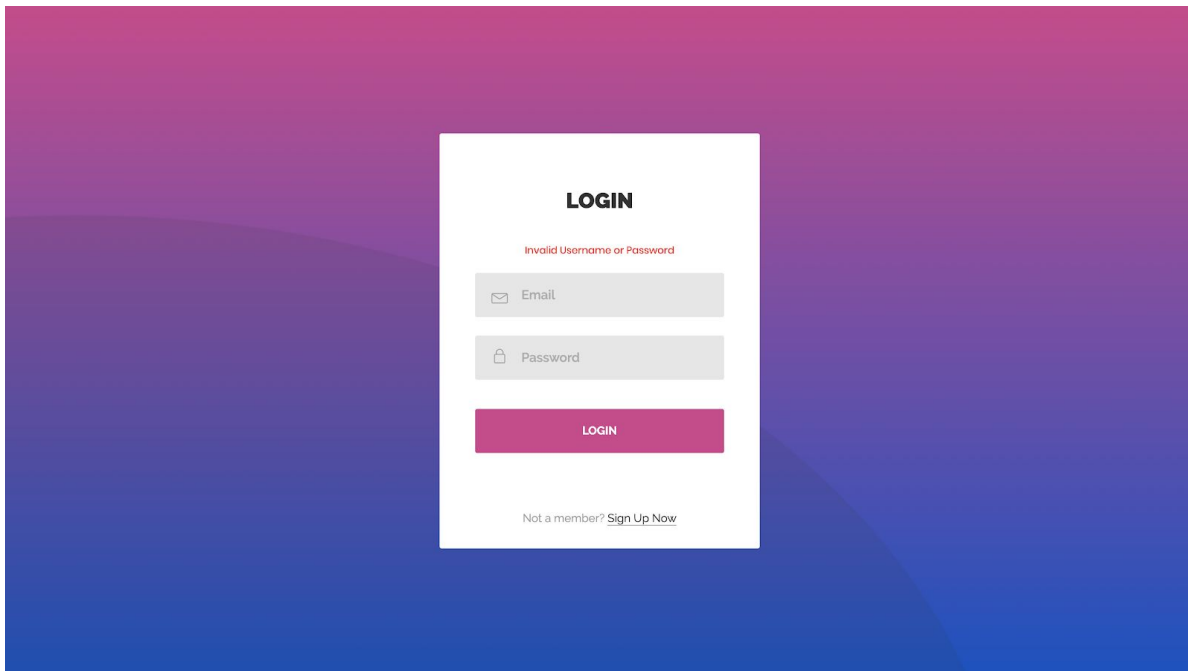
B. User Authentication

1. Registration

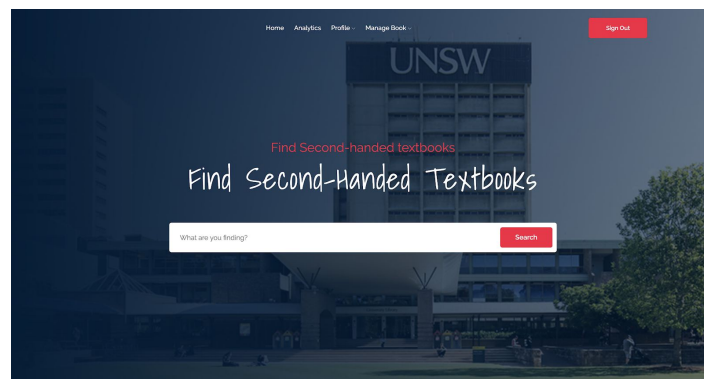
The image shows the registration page. On the left, there is a background image of a woman in profile, looking down at a tablet, with a purple-to-pink gradient overlay. On the right, the 'Sign Up' form is displayed. It has the title 'Sign Up' in bold. Below the title are four input fields: 'Username' (placeholder 'Username..'), 'Email' (placeholder 'Email address..'), 'zID' (placeholder 'zID..'), and 'Password' (placeholder '*****'). Below the password field is a 'Repeat Password' field (placeholder '*****'). At the bottom of the form, there is a purple 'Sign Up' button and a 'Sign in →' link.

This is a registration page where users can register when it is their first time to use our platform. Already existing username and email cannot be used. Upon successful registration, users will be redirected to the login page.

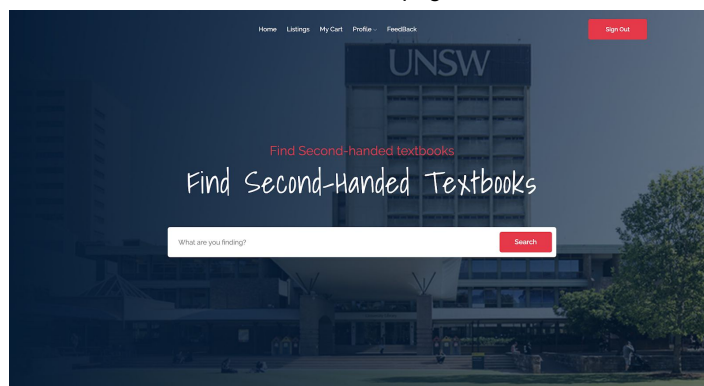
2. Login



This is a login page where users can login with their email and password. An error message will be shown for login attempts with invalid credentials. Upon successful login, users will be redirected to different main pages based on users' roles(admin/normal user).

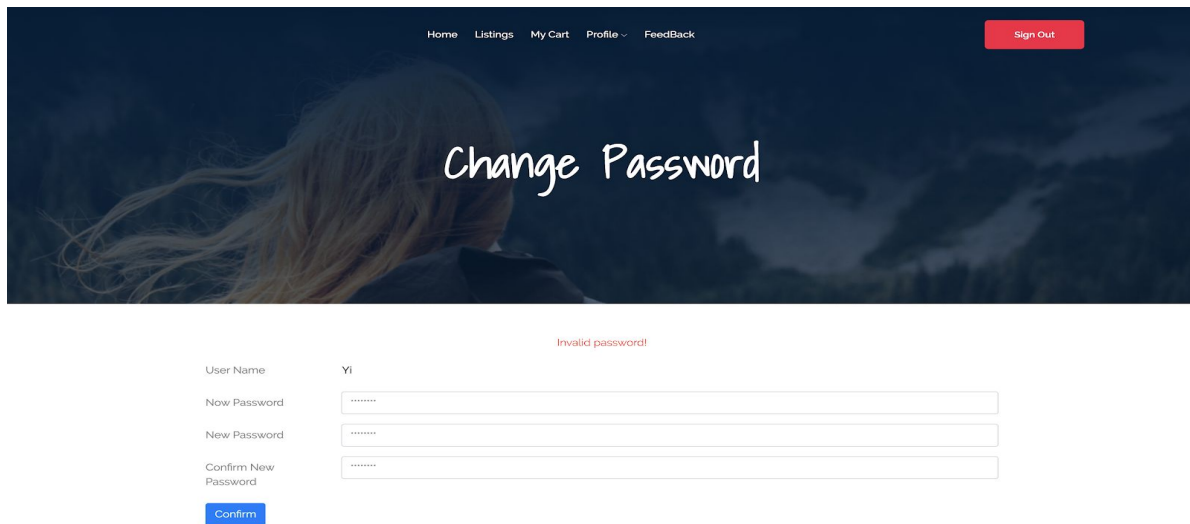


Admin main page



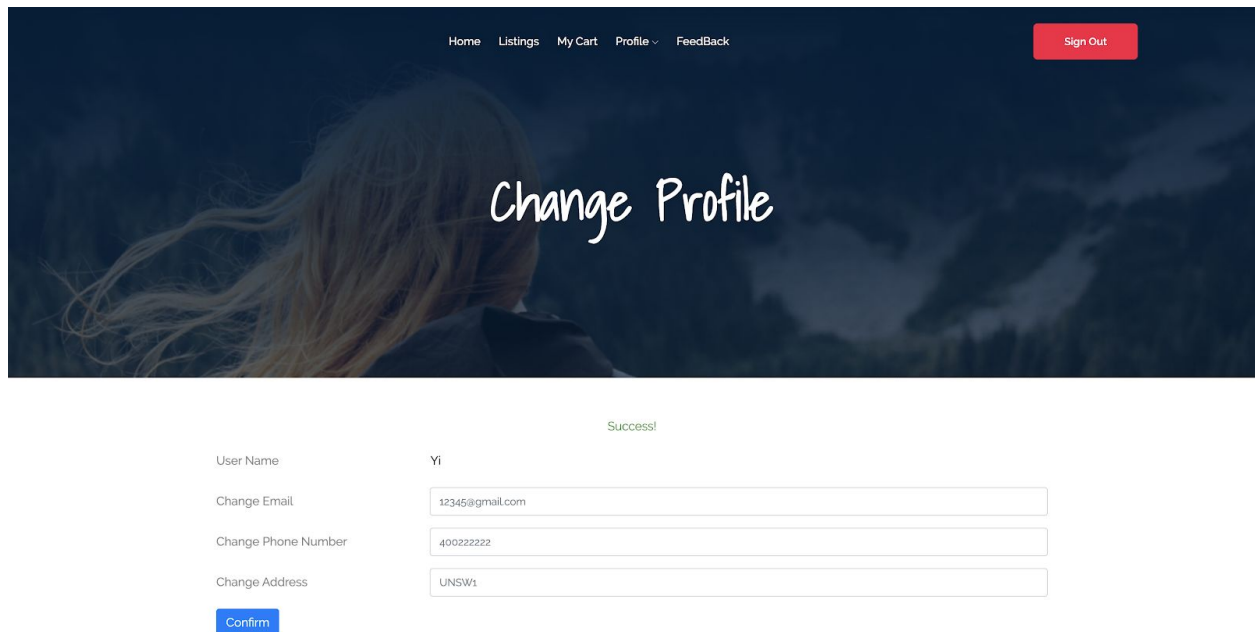
Normal user main page

3. Change Password/Profile



The screenshot shows the 'Change Password' form on a website. The header includes navigation links: Home, Listings, My Cart, Profile (with a dropdown arrow), and FeedBack. A red 'Sign Out' button is in the top right. The background features a woman's hair blowing in the wind. The title 'Change Password' is centered in a white script font. Below the title, a red error message 'Invalid password!' is displayed. The form fields are: 'User Name' with the value 'Yi', 'Now Password' (masked with dots), 'New Password' (masked with dots), and 'Confirm New Password' (masked with dots). A blue 'Confirm' button is at the bottom left of the form.

Users can change passwords from the “Change Password” tab. Users will be required to provide both the original password and a new one with double confirmation. If the original password is incorrect or the new passwords are not consistent, an error message will be shown. After the password is changed, users will be logged out from the website. They can login using the new password.



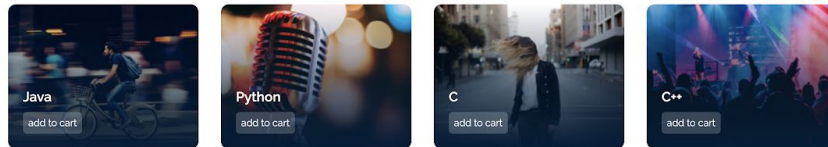
The screenshot shows the 'Change Profile' form on the same website. The header and background are identical to the previous form. The title 'Change Profile' is centered in a white script font. Below the title, a green success message 'Success!' is displayed. The form fields are: 'User Name' with the value 'Yi', 'Change Email' with the value '12345@gmail.com', 'Change Phone Number' with the value '400222222', and 'Change Address' with the value 'UNSW1'. A blue 'Confirm' button is at the bottom left of the form.

Users can also change their personal details from the “Update Profile” tab.

C. User

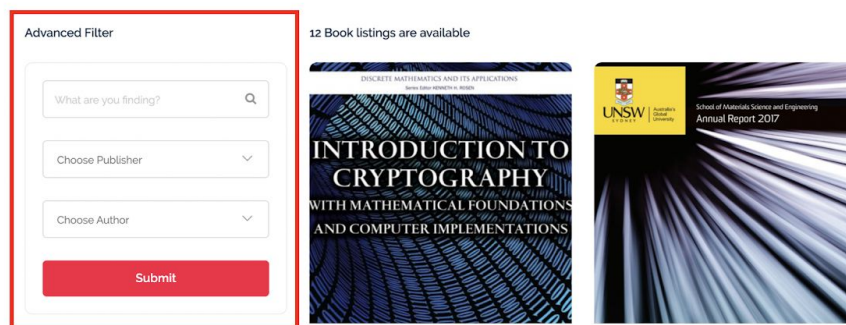
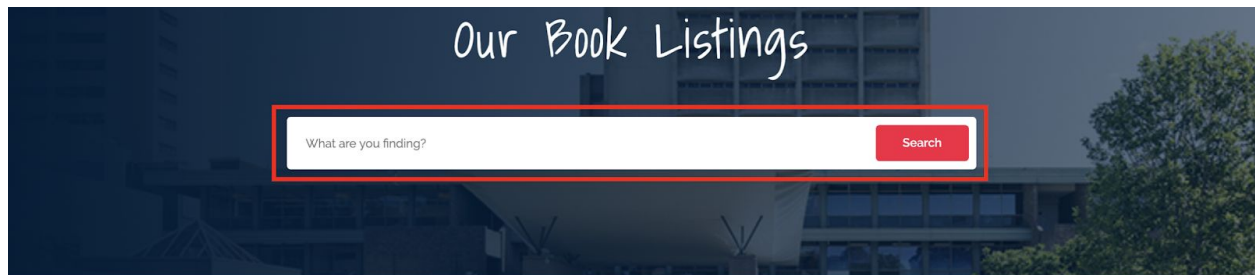
1. Recommendation

Recommended Books

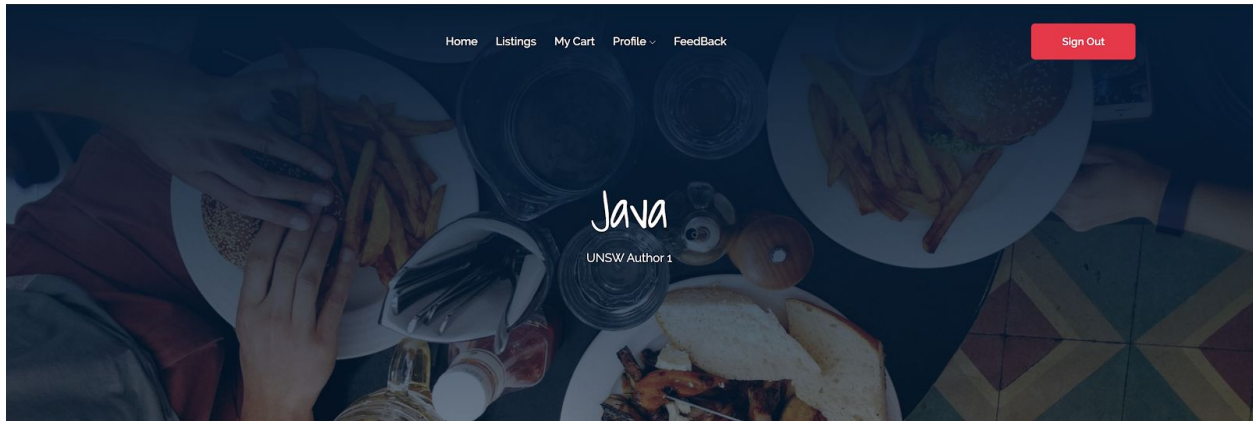


Users can view recommended books at the bottom of the main page. Users can click on the “add to cart” button. It brings the user to the book’s detailed page, and adds the book to the user’s cart.

2. Listing/Search/Filter



Users can view all books by clicking the “Listings” tab. Users can use the keyword search or dropdown list filter to search for specific books.



Description of Java:

Written by UNSW Author 1, Published by UNSW Publisher 1

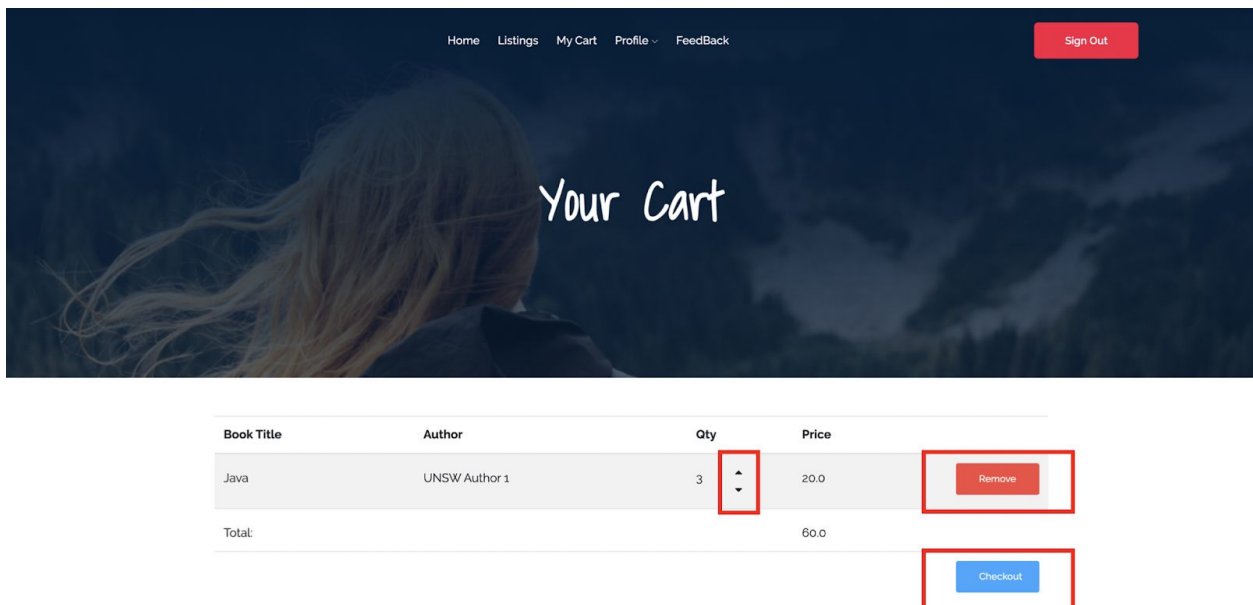
The book is published by UNSW and the book is about how to learn Java

Add To Cart Now

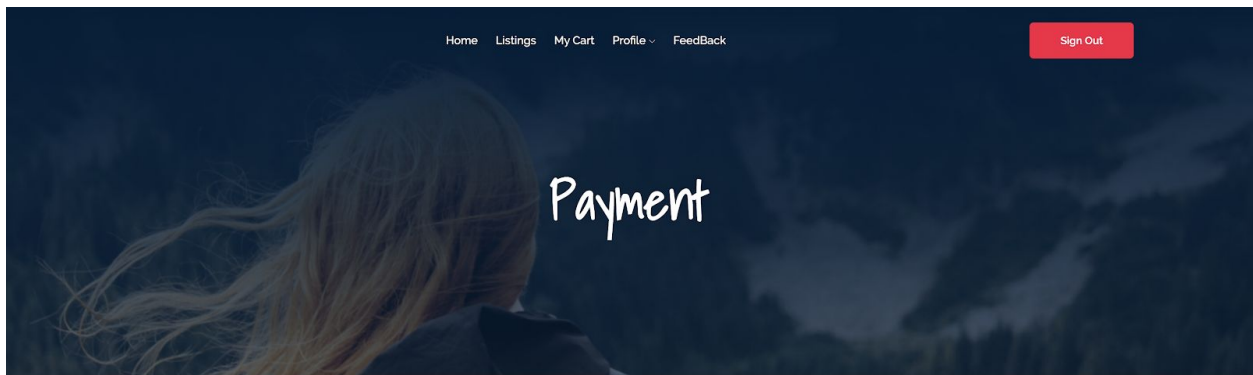
[Add to cart](#)

Users can click on a book title to go to the book detail page. Users can click on the “add to cart” button to add the book into cart.

3. Cart & Payment



Users can view his/hers shopping cart by clicking on the “my cart” tab. Users can adjust the item’s quantity using the up/down arrow besides the quantity number. Users can delete the item using the “Remove” button. Users can proceed to payment by clicking the “Checkout” button.



Billing Address

Full Name	TestName	Email	InvalidEmail	Address	542 W. 15th Street
City	New York			Zip	10001

Payment

Accepted Cards

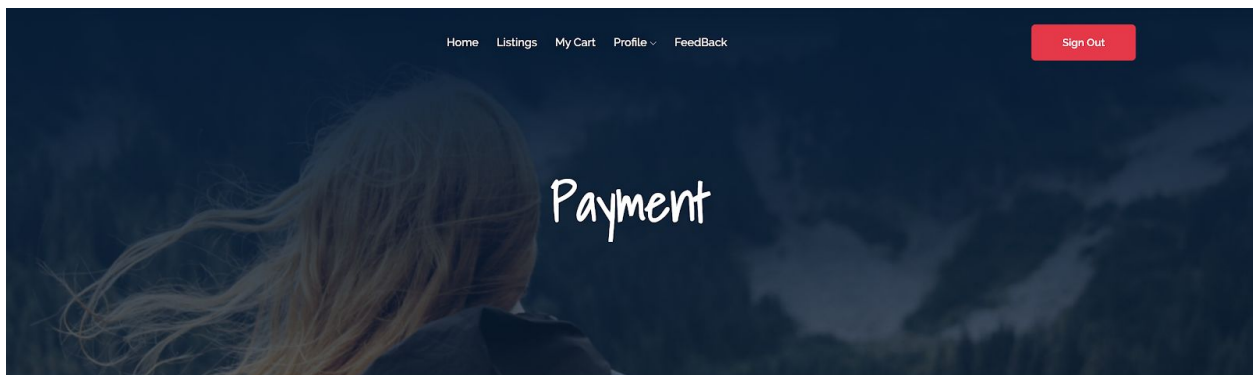
Visa, Mastercard, American Express

Name on Card	John More Doe	Credit card number	1111-2222-3333-4444	Exp Month	September
Exp Year	2018	CVV	352		

Shipping address same as billing

Checkout

Users are required to provide address and credit card information to finish payment. An error message will be shown for blank fields or invalid inputs.



Books in your order are currently out of stock, we are sorry for the inconvenience!

Ok

Billing Address

Full Name	John M. Doe	Email	john@example.com	Address	542 W. 15th Street
City	New York	State	NY	Zip	10001

Payment

Accepted Cards

Visa, Mastercard, American Express

Name on Card	John More Doe	Credit card number	1111-2222-3333-4444	Exp Month	September
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Shipping address same as billing

Checkout

A warning message will be shown if any ordered book is out of stock. Upon successful payment, users will be redirected to the confirmation page, indicating successful purchase.

4. Comment

[Home](#) [Listings](#) [My Cart](#) [Profile ~](#) [FeedBack](#) [Sign Out](#)

Comments

Enter your comment here

Comment

add image

Not using Html Comment Box yet?

(4 days ago) test said:
test

(5 days ago) Yi said:
123

(5 days ago) test said:
test

Users can post comments at the bottom of the book detail page. This can be used to ask questions regarding the book. Since the comment will be posted publicly, not only admins but other users can answer questions as well. Therefore this section can also be used as an opened discussion forum just like webCMS forum page.

5. Feedback



Contact us

Get a Contact Box widget @ [BIZUIBOX](#)

SUBMIT

There is also a feedback section where users can provide opinions or ask questions directly to the admin. Unlike commenting, your response won't be posted publicly so only the admin will be able to see your response. All the feedback provided in this page will be directly sent to the admin's email.

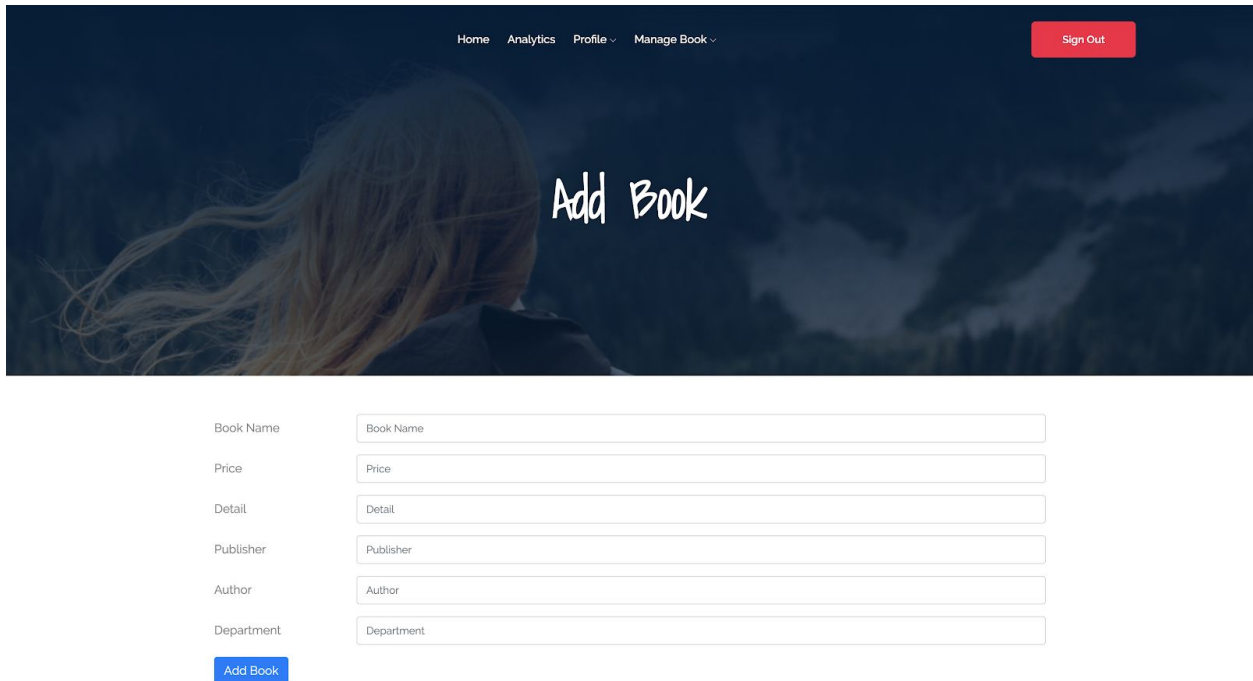
D. Admin

1. Analytics



Admin can view charts from the “Analytics” tab. Admin will be able to view up to 5 most viewed and most sold books.

2. Manage inventory (add/update books)



Book Name

Price

Detail

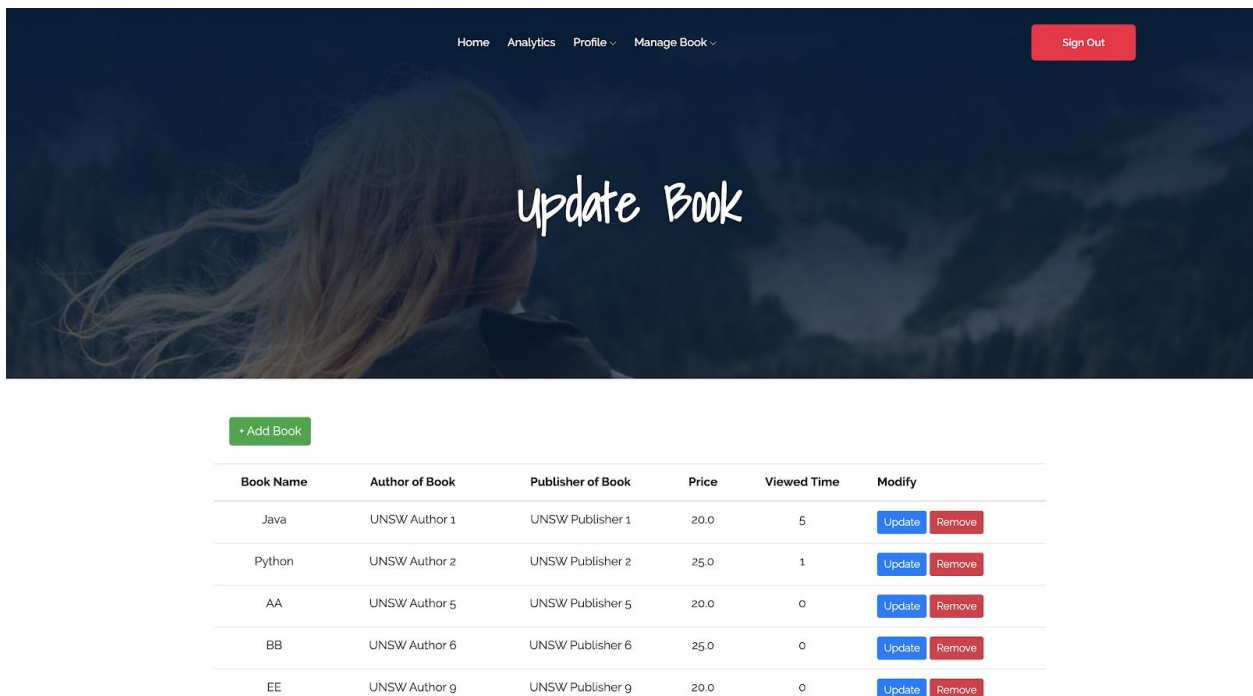
Publisher

Author

Department

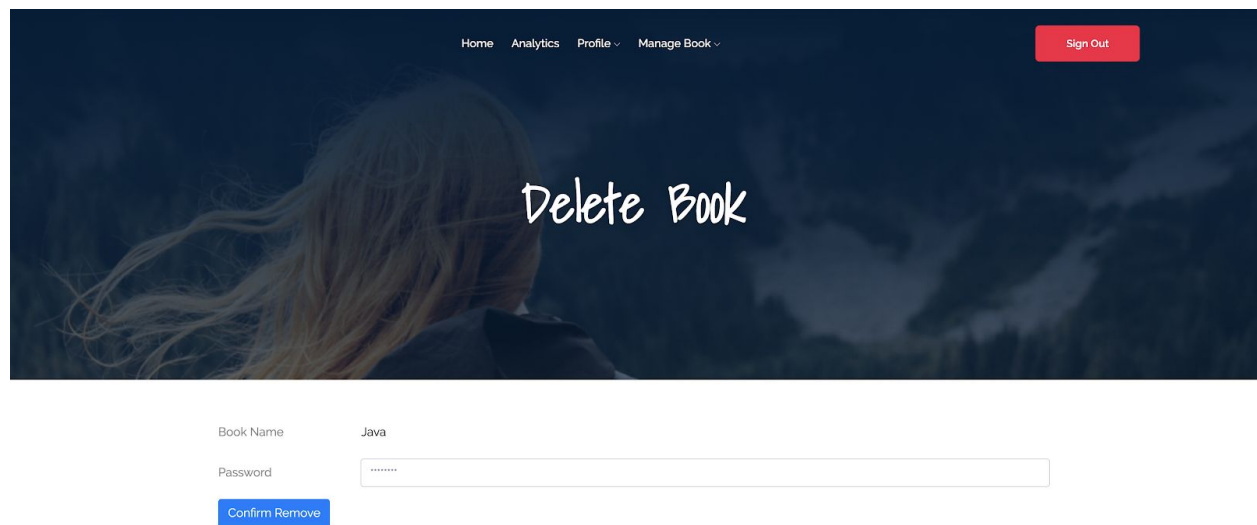
Add Book

Admin can add a new book from the “Add Book” tab or access via the “Add Book” button in the update book page.



Book Name	Author of Book	Publisher of Book	Price	Viewed Time	Modify
Java	UNSW Author 1	UNSW Publisher 1	20.0	5	Update Remove
Python	UNSW Author 2	UNSW Publisher 2	25.0	1	Update Remove
AA	UNSW Author 5	UNSW Publisher 5	20.0	0	Update Remove
BB	UNSW Author 6	UNSW Publisher 6	25.0	0	Update Remove
EE	UNSW Author 9	UNSW Publisher 9	20.0	0	Update Remove

Admin can update details or remove a certain book from the “Update Book” tab.



The screenshot shows a web application interface for deleting a book. At the top, there is a dark navigation bar with links for 'Home', 'Analytics', 'Profile', and 'Manage Book'. A red 'Sign Out' button is located in the top right corner. The main content area has a dark background with a person's hair visible on the left and the text 'Delete Book' in a white, handwritten-style font. Below this, there is a form with two input fields: 'Book Name' with the value 'Java' and 'Password' with masked characters. A blue 'Confirm Remove' button is positioned below the password field.

Book Name	Java
Password	*****
<button>Confirm Remove</button>	

Removing a book will require the admin to provide his/hers password.

III. Implementation challenges

A. Develop software

In our group we discuss using JE to develop software, but some members is the first time to use this one , when downloading this software, do not know how to set the environment, so some members share the environment file in the google drive, another people can download and set up.

B.Database

Some team members did not learn database lessons, so firstly did not know how to use query or list and some funications. Especially when dealing with connections between different tables. But our team shared ideas and searched from google to deal with this problem, at last every member knew how to use the basic funication and create tables.

C.Login interception

In the web, firstly we want use Spring Mvc in the login fuvication, it mean The view sends the request to the controller, and the controller selects the corresponding model to process; the model hands the processing result to the controller, and the controller selects the appropriate view to display the processing result. But in our project use this way always occur problem, we talk about and do not understand why will happen this one, so we change another way to do, that way is shiro, shiro t is a powerful and flexible open source security framework that can cleanly handle authentication, authorization, enterprise session management and encryption. We use this one to solve problems easily.

D.Page integration backend

In the website user can use search function to find book, user can use keyword or Initials to search , so we should connect the search function and the database, we do not know how to connect the two parts we use youtube to learn, at least we find use thymeleaf can achieve our goal, Thymeleaf is a Java library. It is an XML / XHTML / HTML5 template engine that can be applied to convert template files to display the data and text generated by your application.

It is especially suitable for web service applications based on XHTML / HTML5, and at the same time it can process any XML file as a web or standalone application. The main purpose of Thymeleaf is to provide an elegant and well-formed way to create templates. In order to achieve this goal, it puts the pre-defined logic on XML tags and attributes, rather than explicitly on the content of XML tags.

IV. User document/manual

A. Install maven

1. Install maven from <https://maven.apache.org/download.cgi>;
2. Or install via homebrew.

```
Sun Apr 26$ brew install maven
```

B. Load db.sql into mysql

1. Connect to mysql client.

```
Sun Apr 26$ mysql -u [Username] -p
```

2. Load db.sql

```
mysql> source /PATH_TO_db.sql/db.sql
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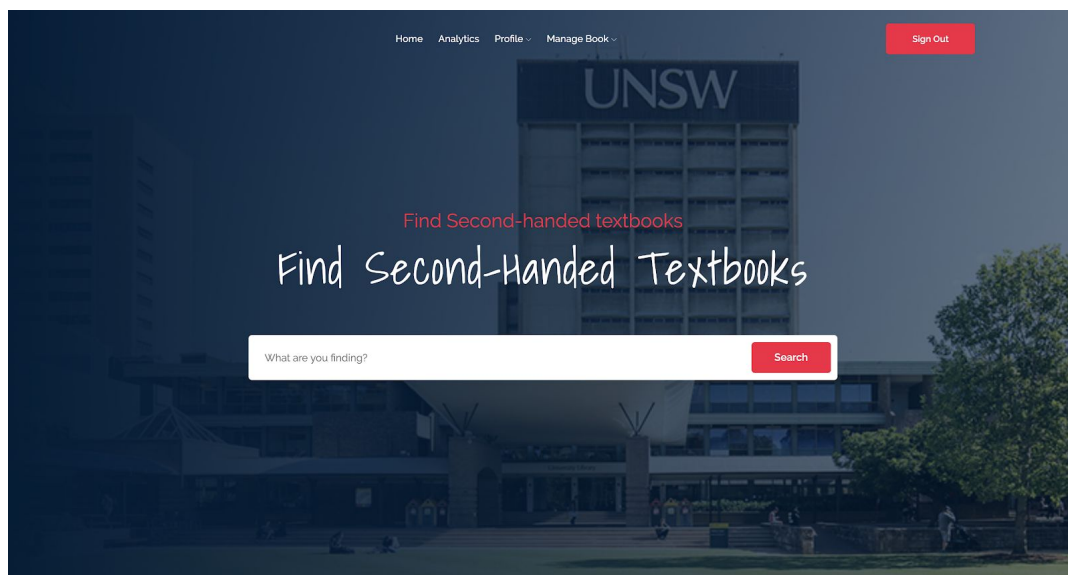
3. Default mysql setting is
Username: root
Password: mysql5187970
Edit it in `/src/main/resources/application.properties` if needed.

```
1 spring.datasource.username=root
2 spring.datasource.password=mysql5187970
3 spring.datasource.url=jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/project?serverTimezone=EST&useUnicode=true&characterEncoding=utf-8
4 spring.datasource.driver-class-name=com.mysql.cj.jdbc.Driver
5
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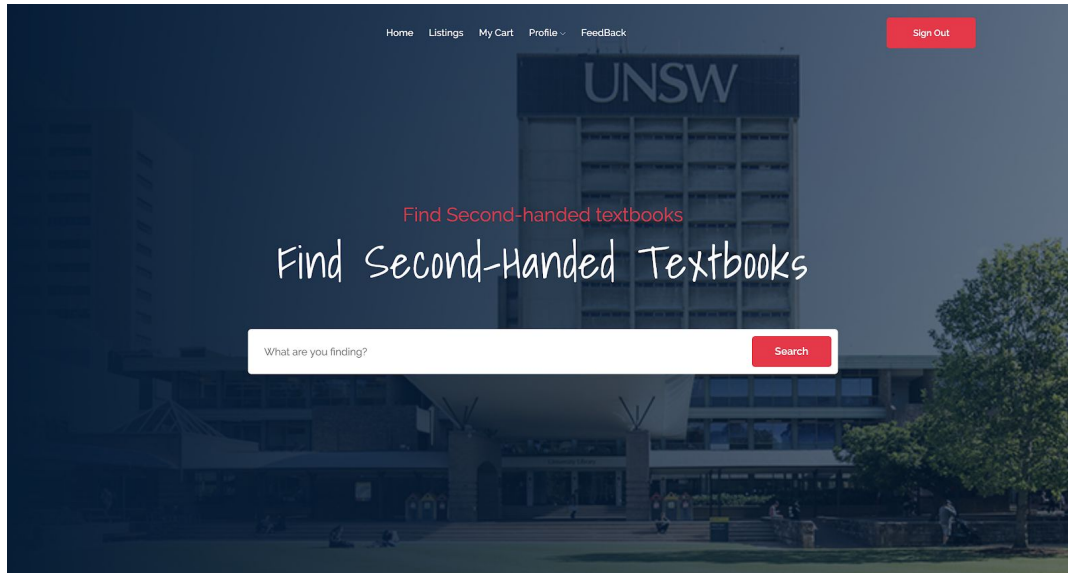
C. Run spring boot application

1. Run application
2. Upon successful configuration, the website is accessible at localhost:8080

```
Sun Apr 26$ mvn spring-boot:run
```



Admin main page



Normal user main page

Both admin & user accounts are available in db.sql for demonstration purposes.

- Admin email: abcd@gmail.com
- Admin password: 123456
- Normal user email: 1234@gmail.com
- Normal user password: abcdef

V. References

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