Project Documentation For BookScape Explorer

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1 Introduction

Welcome to **Bookscape Explorer**, a comprehensive tool designed to enhance your book discovery and data analysis experience. This project leverages the power of the Google Books API to fetch detailed information about books and stores this data in a MySQL database. With Bookscape Explorer, users can search for books, view detailed information, and perform various data analyses to gain insights into book trends and statistics.

Bookscape Explorer is built using Streamlit, a powerful framework for creating interactive web applications in Python. The application integrates several key technologies, including Pandas for data manipulation, SQLAlchemy for database interactions, and Plotly for data visualization.

1.1.1 Purpose Of the Document

This documentation will guide you through the following sections to help you set up, configure, and use Bookscape Explorer effectively:

- **Installation:** Step-by-step instructions to install all necessary dependencies and set up the project on your local machine.
- **Configuration:** Detailed guidance on configuring the application, including setting up the MySQL database and integrating the Google Books API.
- **Usage:** Instructions on how to run the application and navigate through its features.
- **Features:** An overview of the main features of Bookscape Explorer, including book search, data storage, and data analysis.
- **Data Analysis Options:** A list of the various data analysis options available within the application.
- **Wireframe:** Visual representations of the application's user interface to help you understand its layout and functionality.
- **Insights and Challenges:** Insights gained during the development process and challenges faced, along with solutions implemented.
- **Troubleshooting:** Common issues and their solutions to help you resolve any problems you might encounter.

1.1.2 Scope

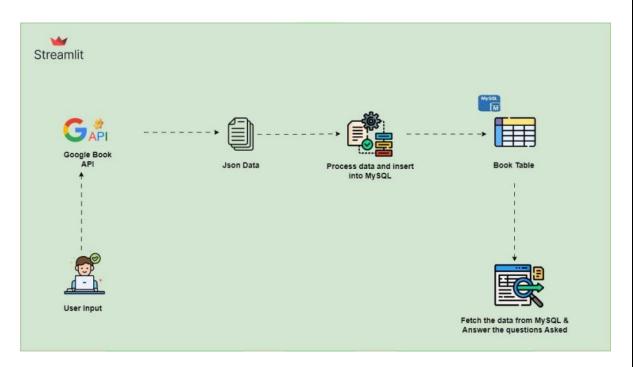
The BookScape Explorer project aims to facilitate users in discovering and analysing book data through a web application. The application will extract data from online book APIs, store this information in a SQL database, and enable data analysis using SQL queries. The project will provide insights into book trends, user preferences, and reviews, helping users make informed reading choices while also offering a platform for community engagement. This initiative targets avid readers, researchers, and book enthusiasts.

1.1.3 Business Use cases

- > Search Optimization: Filter books based on genre, author, or publication year.
- > Trend Analysis: Identify trending genres or authors over time.
- > Data Insights: Perform analysis on user reviews and ratings to identify popular books.
- > Decision Support: Provide insights for libraries or bookstores to stock trending books.

2 BookScape Architecture Diagram

2.1.1 Overview



2.1.2 Data Extraction:

Utilize the Google Books API to gather comprehensive data on a variety of books. Extract information such as book titles, authors, publication dates, genres, descriptions, user reviews etc

3 Installation

3.1.1 Prerequisites

- Python 3.7 or higher
- MySQL Server
- MySQL Workbench (optional, for database management)

4 Clone the Repository

git clone https://github.com/niyasatsg/BookScape-Explorer

5 Install Dependencies

5.1.1 requirements.txt file

Create a requirements.txt file with the following content:

```
pandas==2.2.3
requests==2.32.3
streamlit==1.41.1
plotly==5.24.1
SQLAlchemy==2.0.36
PyMySQL==1.1.1
streamlit-option-menu==0.4.0
```

5.1.2 install the dependencies:

pip install -r requirements.txt

6 MySQL Database Setup

6.1.1 Create a MySQL Database:

CREATE DATABASE bookscape;

6.1.2 Create the books Table:

```
USE bookscape;
CREATE TABLE books (
  book_id VARCHAR(36) PRIMARY KEY,
  search_key VARCHAR(255),
  book_title VARCHAR(255),
  book_subtitle VARCHAR(255),
  book_authors TEXT,
  book_description TEXT,
  industryIdentifiers TEXT,
  text_readingModes INT,
  image\_reading Modes\ INT,
  pageCount INT,
  languages VARCHAR(50),
  imageLinks TEXT,
  ratingsCount INT,
  averageRating FLOAT,
  country VARCHAR (50),
  saleability VARCHAR (50),
  isEbook BOOLEAN,
  amount_listPrice FLOAT,
  currencyCode_listPrice VARCHAR(10),
  amount_retailPrice FLOAT,
  currencyCode_retailPrice VARCHAR(10),
  buyLink TEXT,
  Publishedyear VARCHAR (10),
  categories TEXT,
  publisher VARCHAR (255)
);
```

7 Configuration

7.1.1 Update Database Connection

Update the database connection string in your code:

engine = create_engine('mysql+pymysql://root:yourpassword@localhost:3306/bookscape')

7.1.2 Google Books API Key

Replace "Your api key" with your actual Google Books API key in the code:

api_key = "Your api key"

8 Run the Application

streamlit run app.py

8.1.1 Access the Application

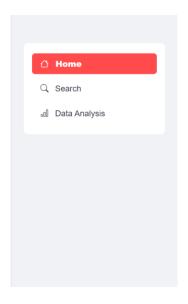
Open your web browser and go to http://localhost:8501.

9 Features

9.1.1 Home Page

Introduction to Bookscape Explorer.

9.1.2 Home Page Wireframe





Bookscape explorer offers you over a million titles across genres like Fiction, Non-fiction, Crime, Thriller, Comics and more, and across categories like Children's Books, Young Adults, Academic Books and Textbooks, Graphic Novels, Manga, Indian Writing, Classics and more.

If reading is your passion or pastime, head over to **Bookscape** to browse through a massive selection of titles in multiple languages as well. From new releases, bestsellers to curated editor's picks, there is something for everyone.

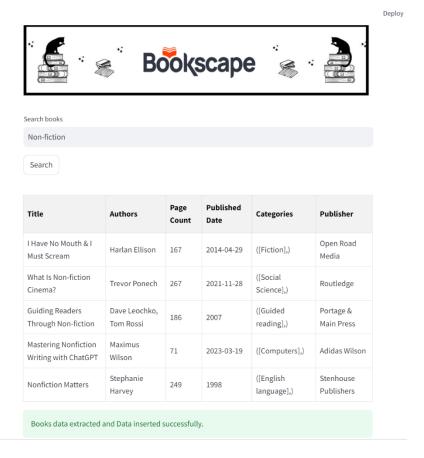
Students can take their pick from exam prep books, university textbooks and references, school textbooks and guides. Young teenagers will find fiction and fantasy books from the Young Adults section interesting. Lovers of true crime, suspense and horror stories would find the Crime, Mystery & Thrillers section of the site an absolute delight.

9.1.3 Search Page

- Search for books based on genre, authors, etc.
- Fetch book details from the Google Books API.
- Store book details in the MySQL database.

9.1.4 Search Page Wireframe



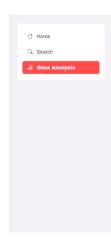


9.1.5 Data Analysis Page

• Perform various data analyses on the stored book data.

9.1.6 Data Analysis Options and Wireframes

- Check Availability of eBooks vs Physical Books
- Wireframe:





- Find the Publisher with the Most Books Published
- Wireframe:



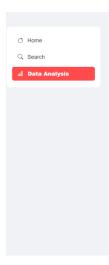


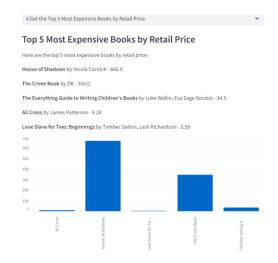
- Identify the Publisher with the Highest Average Rating
- Wireframe:





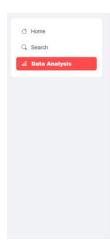
- Get the Top 5 Most Expensive Books by Retail Price
- Wireframe:

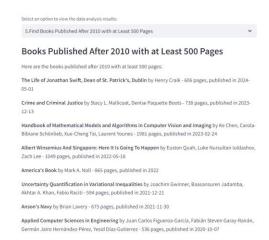




• Find Books Published After 2010 with at Least 500 Pages

Wireframe:





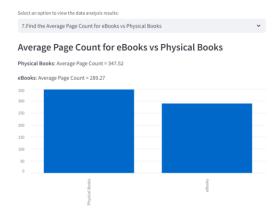
- List Books with Discounts Greater than 20%
- Wireframe:



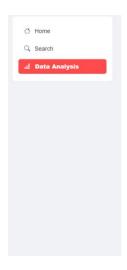


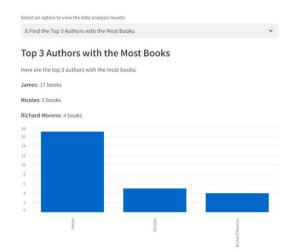
- Find the Average Page Count for eBooks vs Physical Books
- Wireframe:



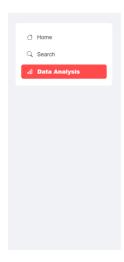


- Find the Top 3 Authors with the Most Books
- Wireframe:





- List Publishers with More than 10 Books
- Wireframe:

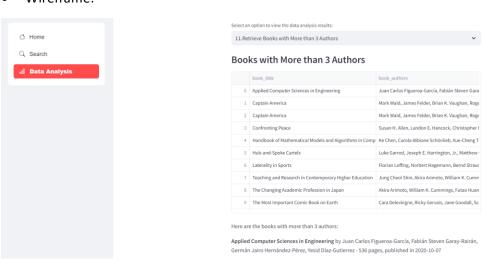




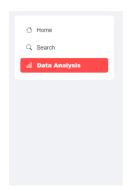
- Find the Average Page Count for Each Category
- Wireframe:



- Retrieve Books with More than 3 Authors
- Wireframe:

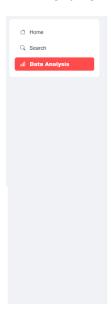


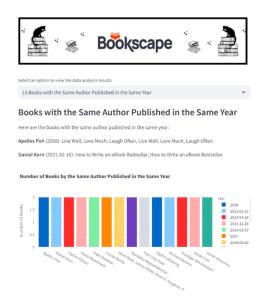
- Books with Ratings Count Greater Than the Average
- Wireframe:





- Books with the Same Author Published in the Same Year
- Wireframe:





- Books with a Specific Keyword in the Title
- Wireframe:





- Year with the Highest Average Book Price
- Wireframe:



- Count Authors Who Published 3 Consecutive Years
- Wireframe:





- Find Authors Who Published Books in the Same Year but Under Different Publishers
- Wireframe:



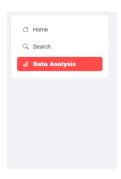


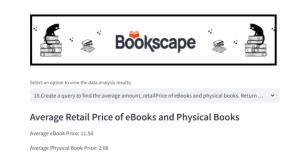
- Write a SQL query to find authors who have published books in the same year but under different publishers. Return the authors, year, and the COUNT of books they published in that year.
- Wireframe:





- Create a query to find the average amount_retailPrice of eBooks and physical books. Return a single result set with columns for avg_ebook_price and avg_physical_price. Ensure to handle cases where either category may have no entries
- Wireframe:



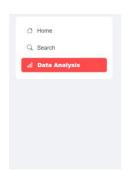


- To identify books that have an averageRating that is more than two standard deviations away from the average rating of all books. Return the title, averageRating, and ratingsCount for these outliers.
- Wireframe:





- Determines which publisher has the highest average rating among its books, but only for publishers that have published more than 10 books. Return the publisher, average_rating, and the number of books published.
- Wireframe





10 Insights and Challenges

10.1.1 Insights

- **API Integration:** Integrating with the Google Books API was straightforward, but handling rate limits required implementing retry logic.
- <u>Data Storage:</u> Using SQLAlchemy for database interactions provided a robust and flexible way to handle database operations.
- <u>Data Visualization:</u> Plotly and Streamlit's built-in charting capabilities made it easy to visualize data.

10.1.2 Challenges

- <u>Design issue</u>: I faced some design issues while populating data from data frame to HTML.
- <u>Connection error:</u> I experienced Connection error issues when connecting to my database. "Connection error Is Streamlit still running?". This issue was resolved after installing sqlalchemy
- **Rate Limiting:** The Google Books API has rate limits, which required implementing retry logic to handle HTTP 429 errors.
- **Data Consistency:** Ensuring data consistency when inserting into the database was crucial, especially with varying data formats from the API.
- <u>Error Handling:</u> Comprehensive error handling was necessary to manage different types of exceptions, including IntegrityError and DataError.

11 Troubleshooting

11.1.1 Common Issues

- **Database Connection Error**: Ensure your MySQL server is running and the connection string is correct.
- <u>API Rate Limit Exceeded:</u> If you encounter a rate limit error, wait for a while before making new requests.