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PRODUCT CATALOG WITH FILTERS

Phase:3 MVP Implementation: Contants: 1. Product Setup 2. Core Features Implementation 3. Data Storage (Local State/Database) 4.Testing Core Features 5.Version Control(GitHub)

Product Setup:

What You Hope to Create:

Catalog of products:

- ♦ Sort by brand, rating, price, category, etc.
- ♦ Clear user interface with responsive design
- ♦ Pagination and search
- ♦ Admin dashboard for adding or editing goods is optional.

Platforms:

- Airtable backend + Softr Fast UI Yes, a very simple UI builder.
- ➤ Glide apps are mobile-first Yes Airtable Data Back end, which was constructed from spreadsheets, is similar to a spreadsheet plus database.
- ➤ Bubble Totally unique web application Limited More adaptable but more rigorous education.
- Advanced filters/API by We Web + Xano Indeed, more professional Step-by-Step: Construct an Airtable Base (Your Product Database) with Software + Airtable .

Make a base named Products:

1.Include columns such as:

- ❖ Name of Product (Text)
- Category (one-choice)
- Brand (text)
- Cost (Amount)
- Score (from 1 to 5)
- Picture (attachment)
- Available (checkbox)

2. Develop a softwar Application:

✓ Visit Softr.io to register.

- ✓ Select "New Application."
- ✓ Attach your Airtable base.
- ✓ Select the "List" template.
- ✓ Include a list block for your merchandise.
- ✓ Attach the list to your table of products.

3. Use Softr to Add Filters:

Above your product list, add a filter block.

Select fields such as:

- **♦** Brand
- ◆ Category
- Cost (include a range slider)
- ◆ Rating (slider or dropdown)
- ♣ Filtering logic linked to Airtable fields is automatically constructed by Software.

4. Potential Improvements:

- 1. Include a search bar.
- 2. Use unlimited scroll or pagination.
- 3. To manage products, create an admin-only login page (or use Airtable).

4. To limit access, add authentication.

Benefits of Using Airtable and Software:

- a. No code is require.
- b. Syncing data in real time
- c. Design that is responsive
- d. There is a free plan available.
- e. Scaling to additional filters is simple.

Restrictions:

- Not appropriate for applications with hundreds of thousands of items.
- Records and page visits are limited in free plans.
- In contrast to full-code solutions, styling is constrained.

Other Tools Back end Filters Support for UI Glide Simple filters in Google Sheets Mobile-first.

Clean UI Stacker Airtable Pory Airtable Roles of users Internal instruments.

Bubble Integrated database Complete adaptability Personalized logic.

WeWeb Xano/API High-end, excellent design.

Core Features Implementation:

Store your items in a database such as

Setup:

Make a table with the following columns:

- Name of Product
- Category (one-choice)
- Brand (one choice)
- Cost (number)
- Score (number)
- Picture (attached)
- Available (checkbox)
- An explanation (long text)

2. Display of Product Lists:

Make use of a no-code website/app builder that interfaces with Google Sheets or Airtable, such as Software, Glide, or Pory.

Setup:

- 1. As a data source, connect your Airtable or Sheet.
- 2. Include a gallery or product list element that retrieves information from your table dynamically.
- 3. Add product photos, name, price, and rating to the grid or list layout.

3. The Filtering System:

Filtering blocks and widgets are typically included in no-code builders.

Setup:

Include the filter's components:

- 1.Depending on what the user selects, filters automatically update the products that are shown.
- 2.Price filters can be either min-max inputs or sliders. For more focused searches, you can combine more than one filter.

4. The ability to search:

Include a search bar element.

Setup:

- 1.Link search to important fields, such as brand or product name.
- 2.The product list is dynamically filtered in real-time when you type in the search bar.

5. Options for Sorting:

Provide buttons or a drop-down menu for sorting.

Setup:

1."Price: Low to High" is one option. "Rating: Low to High," "Newest."

2.In no-code platforms, sorting functionality is frequently integrated or set up using straightforward user interface buttons.

6. Use pagination or add more content:

Use unlimited scrolling or paginate products to increase performance.

Setup:

- 1.In your product list component, enable pagination.
- 2. Set the page size, for example, to 12 products per page.
- 3.As an alternative, set up Click the "Load More" button to retrieve further items.

7. View of Product Details:

Show comprehensive information when a consumer clicks on a product.

Setup:

- 1. Each product card should be linked to a dynamic detail page.
- 2. Product data is pulled from the database connection by the detail page.
- 3. Display the full description, photos, reviews, and specifications.

8. Design That Responds:

Typically, responsive templates are offered by no-code builders.

Setup:

- 1. Make use of the responsive settings built in.
- 2.To guarantee usability, preview on a tablet or smartphone.

9. Admin Panel is optional:

To update or add products without knowing how to code:

Setup:

- 1. For simple product administration, utilize Airtable's built-in interface.
- 2.Or use permission-controlled no-code technologies to establish a private admin area.

Examples of No-Code Tools for This Construction:

- ✓ Tool Goals and Essential Features.
- ✓ Airtable Product Database Attachments, simple editing, and filtering.
- ✓ A softer website developerProduct listings and drag-and-drop filters.
- ✓ Glide Builder for mobile appsDetails pages, filters, and search.
- ✓ Pory Builder for websites Fast integration of the Airtable catalog
- ✓ Sheets on Google Database that is light weight Simple data storage.

DATA STORAGE(local State/Database):

Products with fields like name, price, brand, etc. are examples of structured data.

Searching and filtering:

- > Simple front-end tool integration.
- > Automation, authorization, and cooperation (optional).
- ➤ The top choices for code-free data storage are listed below, along with an explanation of how they work with a system for product catalogs.

The Greatest No-Code Data Storage Tools for Filtering:

- Airtable Contemporary spreadsheet-database Integrated Indeed, the most widely used and potent Google Sheets Simple prototypes and catalogs Limited Sure, it's simple, but it's not as scalable.
- Alternative to Smart Suite Airtable Yes, better for commercial use cases.
- Airtable clone hosted on Nocode Yes Excellent for developers,
 Browers is open-source Database that is open-source

Airtable for Product Catalog is suggested. Why Airtable?

- a) functions like a database and looks like a spreadsheet.
- b) Integrated grouping, sorting, and filtering

- c) use no-code solutions such as Zapier, Glide, Softr, Pory, and others.
- d) Up to 1,000 records per base are supported by the free tier.
- e) Construct a new base and name it Product Catalog.

Include a table named Products:

Include fields such as:

Field Type: Example Value Field Name:

Name of Product One line of text in the category of iPhone 14Electronics Price Number (currency): 999 for a single choose

Brand: Apple; one choice; Rating: 1–5; In Stock: 4.5; Checkbox Picture Attachment (picture) Title Long text "Best phone ever..."

Airtable Filtering:

- ❖ To create custom views, use the "Filter" button (e.g., only show devices under \$500).
- Use "Sort" to show the products with the highest ratings or lowest prices.
- Utilize "Group by" to arrange products according to brand or category.

Integrations Tool Goal:

- 1. Level of Integration Software Create a filterable catalog UI Native Integration of Airtable.
- 2. Glide is a mobile app first. Compatible with Google Sheets or Airtable.
- 3. Make data flows automatic with ZapierActivate fresh or updated records.
- 4. Pory Easy-to-use website builderA catalog driven by Airtable.

Roles and Permissions:

- ❖ You may manage who can view and change the product catalog with Airtable.
- able to provide "read-only" views for public use
- If necessary, Software adds user login, roles, and permissions.
- ❖ Other Options ¾ Google Sheets.
- The simplest to begin.
- Ideal for basic catalogs.
- ❖ Weak in data validation and filtering.
- SmartSuite.
- More focused on business than Airtable.
- Elegant user interface and sophisticated templates.
- * Rapid expansion in the no-code space.

NocoDB/Baserow:

- ♦ For individuals seeking self-hosted.
- → requires no coding but only a little amount of setup.
- ♦ More adaptable and configurable for developers.
- ❖ Synopsis: Airtable as the Greatest Option Airtable Filtering Support Integrated Product Management User Interface Simple UI Tool Integration Software, Glide, and Pory Collaboration Instantaneous Free Plan.

TESTING CORE FEATURES:

Verifying the functionality of a product catalog's basic features with filters without coding entails either manual testing or the use of no-code testing tools on the platforms where your catalog was created (such as Airtable + Software, Glide, or Pory). Without writing any code, you may test all the essential functionalities in a methodical manner as follows:

1. Get your product catalog ready:

- 1. Verify that the sample data in your product database (such as Airtable) includes a variety of entries from different brands, categories, pricing, ratings, and other factors.
- 2. Verify that your no-code front-end (like Software) is published and linked.

2. Test the Display of the Product List:

- ❖ Launch your app or website with your product catalog.
- Check that every product loads properly.
- Verify names, pricing, pictures, and additional information display correctly.
- ❖ To verify responsive layout, resize the browser or mobile device.

3. Examine the Filtering Capabilities:

- Choose a filter by category → Verify that only items in that category are shown.
- Choose more than one filter (for example, category + brand) and make sure the product list is narrowed down appropriately.
- Make sure that only items that fall within the price range are displayed by using the price range slider or filter.
- Change the "In Stock" or comparable filters → Make sure things that aren't available aren't included.
- Switch between filters → Make sure filtering is updated accurately and dynamically.

4. Examine the Search:

◆ Enter terms (brand, product name) in the search bar.

- Verify that the results are updated instantly (or after you hit search).
- To test search tolerance, try typos, uppercase/lowercase words, and partial words.

5. Examine Infinite Scroll or Pagination:

- Go through the pages if you have a lot of products.
- Verify the next and previous page buttons are functional.
- Scroll down to see if new products load automatically for endless scroll.
- Verify that search and filters adhere to pagination.

6. Sorting Tests:

- Sort by using buttons or a sort dropdown:
- Price (High to Low and Low to High)
- Score (High to Low)
- The newest items
- Verify that the product order modifications are accurate.

7. Product Detail Page for Testing:

- To view a product's detail page, click on it.
- Check that the product description, pictures, and other information display accurately.

Verify that the catalog navigation is functioning.

8. Check the responsiveness of mobile:

- Use real devices or browser development tools.
- Check that every feature (search, product list, filters) functions on phones and tablets.
- Verify that all UI components are functional and accessible.

9. Updates to Test Data:

- In Airtable, add or modify a product.
- Check that the change is visible by refreshing the front end of your catalog.
- Make sure a product no longer appears after deleting it.

10. Evaluate the User Experience:

- Have someone who isn't familiar with your catalog attempt looking through and sorting.
- Get opinions on discoverability and usability.
- Using No-Code Testing Tools is optional.
- For visual feedback and issue reporting without code, use Userback or Marker.io.
- For cross-device testing, use BrowserStack (free trial available).
- Software's Preview & Publish feature allows you to test changes before they go live.

- Feature of the Summary Table Things to Examine How to Test a Product List Without Code Properly display products. Visual inspection.
- Filtering Filters accurately narrow results. Use UI filters and verify the outcomes.
- Search returns products that matchTry partials and keywords.
- Pagination Switch between pages.Press the pagination buttons.
- Sorting Products are sorted by date, price, and rating.Make use of the sorting dropdown
- ✓ Product Detail: Click to view comprehensive informationClick on the product cards.
- ✓ All device sizes can use responsive design user interfaces. Use a mobile device or resize the window.
- ✓ Syncing Dataalterations to the frontend database updateModify Airtable and update the catalog.

VERSION CONTROL:

Excellent query! Version control typically entails monitoring modifications to your data and app layout while working with a product catalog that has filters without scripting. This allows you to properly manage updates, see history, and undo errors.

Here's how to manage version control:

1. Use Airtable to Manage Versions of Your Product Data

Document History & Editing:

- Every record's updates are automatically tracked by Airtable.
- ➤ By selecting the "Revision History" of a record (right-click a cell → "See revision history"), you can see who made changes and when.

Snapshots:

- ➤ Base snapshots, or backups, can be manually created with Airtable.
- \triangleright Navigate to Settings \rightarrow Snapshots \rightarrow Base. Take a picture.
- ➤ Any snapshot can be restored to go back in time.

Editing through Views:

- ➤ To stage changes, use various views (e.g., a "Draft" view prior to publishing).
- After approval, change the view to "Published" or move the records.

2. Version Control (Softr, Glide, Pory, etc.) for Your frontend software:

Versions of the page:

You may view current modifications and go back to earlier iterations using Software's Page History window.

Backups:

You can manually backup your app or project before making significant changes.

Draft and Publish Process:

- Until you click Publish, all changes you make remain in draft mode
- This functions similarly to a basic version control step.
- ➤ Your app's state is automatically saved by Glide.
- ➤ At any time, you can make a backup or version of your app by duplicating it.
- Duplication is a simple manual versioning technique, however there is no comprehensive version history.

3. Google Sheets Version Control (if utilized as a backend):

- Version history is incorporated into Google Sheets.
- > Previous versions can be viewed, named, and restored.
- Excellent for monitoring changes in product data.

4. Description of the Best Practices for Version Control:

- Regularly create manual backups and snapshots. For instance, replicate bases/apps or export CSV.
- Use folders or draft views. Handle "In review" versus "published" goods.
- ➤ Make use of collaborators and commentsAllow your team to effectively convey any adjustments.

➤ Changes to the document outside of toolsTo record significant changes, use Google Docs or Airtable.

5. External backup and version control tools are optional:

- ➤ Zapier/Integromat → Periodically export data automatically to Google Drive or CSV.
- Sync Airtable data to backup files or databases using Airbyte and Parabola.
- ➤ Google Docs or Notion → Keep change logs on hand if necessary.
- Overview of the Area How to Use No-Code Version Control.
- Product Information History of Airtable revisions and screenshots.
- Software page history and draft/publish workflow in the frontend user interface
- Sheets for the backend Version history of Google Sheets
- Backup Plan Duplications, automated sync tools, and manual exports.

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