UofSC Book Finder — CSCE 190

Problem Statement

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 • UofSC students struggle to quickly determine whether required books are freely and legally accessible because availability is scattered across campus library systems and public-domain repositories.

Who is experiencing the problem?

 • UofSC students—especially those balancing work, commuting, or multiple courses—who need fast, low-/no-cost access to course texts and readings.

What is the problem?

 • Students waste time and often delay preparation while checking many separate systems (library catalog and e-book packages, course reserves, interlibrary loan, OER sites, and public-domain repositories) to learn whether a legal copy is available.

Where does the problem present itself?

 • This problem appears when students receive reading lists or syllabi, search for specific titles/ISBNs, or need immediate access before an exam or assignment—on laptops or phones from home, on campus, or on the go.

Why does it matter?

 • Timely, legal access to texts supports academic readiness and affordability. Centralizing discovery of legitimate options (public domain, borrow, campus-licensed eBooks) reduces stress, avoids unlawful sources, and helps students start reading sooner.