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# **Web-Based Mobile App Development**

CST3145

Coursework 2

### 8.2.2. Assessment 2 ( REST API and Progressive Web Apps (PWA))

REST API and Progressive Web Apps (PWA)	
<b>Module code</b>	CST3145
<b>Module title</b>	Web-Based Mobile App Development.
<b>Submission date, time</b>	CW 2 (to be marked at LAB) Part1 :Week13(GW) Part2:Week 16
<b>Feedback type &amp; date</b>	Students will be given feedback and marked by the lab tutor.
<b>Task</b>	For this coursework, you need to  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create the back-end (server and database) for the app built in Coursework 1;</li><li>• Host the back end online by using MongoDB Atlas (for database) and Heroku (for Node/Express server).</li></ul>
<b>Assignment type</b>	Web App with backend to be demonstrated
<b>Requirements</b>	A submission will receive zero mark if it fails any of the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The backend server must use 'Node.js'; Apache or Xampp is not allowed;</li><li>• The data must be stored in 'MongoDB Atlas'; local MongoDB or any other database is not allowed;</li><li>• All database access, such storing and retrieving data, must be achieved through 'REST API'; any other type of access is not allowed, including direct database access;</li><li>• The REST API must be developed with 'Express.js';</li><li>• Connection to MongoDB must use the native Node.js driver only; library like Mongoose is not allowed.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Node/Express server must be hosted on Heroku.com; local server is not allowed.</li> <li>• The front-end data access must be achieved with 'promise' using 'fetch' function; 'XMLHttpRequest' or library such as axios.js is not allowed.</li> <li>• The code must be hosted in a GitHub repository with at least 10 commits. This must be a new repository; you cannot use the repository for CW1.</li> <li>• The web app must be demonstrated. Coursework code will not receive any mark, even if it works fine if it cannot be explained satisfactorily during the in-lab demonstration, i.e., student cannot explain what the code does.</li> </ul> <p><b>Submission file details:</b>  <i>Include the following files in one zip file that is no more than 10MB.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A text file include the URLs to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The GitHub repository of your back end code (Node and Express)</li> <li>– The GitHub Page that runs your front end (the Vue.js code)</li> <li>– The Heroku route that returns the information of lesson information.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The 'lesson' and the 'order' collection in the MongoDB Atlas. See here for how to export collection in MongoDB Compass:  <a href="https://docs.mongodb.com/compass/current/import-export#export-data-from-a-collection">https://docs.mongodb.com/compass/current/import-export#export-data-from-a-collection</a>.</li> <li>• The back end code (Node and Express): no node module files (such as those for Express and MongoDB).</li> <li>• The front end code (updated Vue.js from CW1 with data now fetched from MongoDB)</li> <li>• The requests created in Postman. See here for how to export requests in Postman  <a href="https://learning.postman.com/docs/getting-started/importing-and-exporting-data/#exporting-collections">https://learning.postman.com/docs/getting-started/importing-and-exporting-data/#exporting-collections</a></li> </ul>
<b>Assessed learning outcome (s)</b>	1,2,3
<b>Module weighting %</b>	35 %
<b>Key reading and learning resources</b>	<p>This module has a variety of learning resources available for you to use to support your learning. These include recorded lecture, lecture slides, feedback, and key reading materials. These can be accessed online via the module page. Please visit the module page regularly to make use of these.</p> <p>Your online reading list can be accessed from the My Study area of UniHub (<a href="http://readinglists.mdx.ac.uk/lists/78D0F586-A45D-60DB-32A7-5D5EC274302B">http:// readinglists.mdx.ac.uk/lists/78D0F586-A45D-60DB-32A7-5D5EC274302B</a>). This highlights recommended reading for this module. The course website has many links to other online resources.</p>

### Assignment marking criteria rubric (Literature Review)

#### Group in-lab tasks (10%):

1. Create a server using *Express.js* (2%);
2. Create two *get* routes (4%):
  - When the path is */lessons*, the server returns a list of lessons as below (2%);
 

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[
  { 'topic': 'math', 'location': 'London', 'price': 100 },
  { 'topic': 'math', 'location': 'Liverpool', 'price': 80 },
  { 'topic': 'math', 'location': 'Oxford', 'price': 90 },
  { 'topic': 'math', 'location': 'Bristol', 'price': 120 },
]
```
  - When the path is */user*, the server returns the information of an user as below (2%);
 

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{ 'email': 'user@email.com', 'password': 'mypassword' }
```
3. Create a Vue app that retrieves the lesson list from the Express server with *Fetch* (2%);
  - *XMLHttpRequest* and library such as *axios.js* are not allowed;
4. The client code then displays the list of lesson using Vue similar to the screenshot in Figure 4 (2%).

#### Individual task (25%):

- MongoDB (4%):
  - Have a MongoDB collection for lesson information - minimal fields: topic, price, location, and space (2%);
  - Have a MongoDB collection for order information (2%) - minimal fields: name, phone number, lesson ID, and number of space.
- Middleware (4%)
  - Create a 'logger' middleware that output all requests to the server console (2%)
  - Create a static file middleware that returns lesson images or an error message if the image file does not exist. (2%)

- REST API (8%):
  - A *GET* route that returns all the lessons (2%);
  - A *POST* route that saves a new order to the 'order' collection (2%);
  - A *PUT* route that updates the number of available spaces in the 'lesson' collection after an order is submitted (2%).
  - At least one Postman request is created for each route (2%).
- Fetch (4%)
  - A fetch that retrieves all the lessons with GET.
  - A fetch that saves a new order with POST after it is submitted.
  - A fetch that updates the available lesson space with PUT after an order is submitted.

### Extra Challenge

#### Search (5%)

- This is the challenge component of this coursework, and it is not expected that everyone can complete it. The solution is not covered in the lecture or lab, so you need to research it.
- The goal is to add a full-text search feature, similar to the challenge component of the Coursework 1. The difference is that the search needs to be performed in the back end (Express + MongoDB), not in the front end as in Coursework 1 (Vue + JavaScript). You will not receive any mark for this part if the search is performed in the front end.
- You cannot use any existing library to implement this function. Otherwise, you will not receive any mark for this part.
- Fetch (2%): in the front end, a 'fetch' request should be created to send the search information to the back end.
- Express API (2%): a Express.js route should be created to handle the search request and return the search results from the MongoDB.
- Search as you type (1%): similar to Coursework 1, there is one mark if the search supports 'search as you type', i.e., the search starts when user types the first letter (displaying all the lessons containing that letter) and the result list is filtered as more search letters are entered (similar to Google search).

### Extension and Late Penalty

**All extension must be applied through the Extenuating circumstances service** (see Section 7.6 for more details). Please do not contact the module leader for extension. **The late penalty is 5% for each day after the deadline.** It is the 5% of your final mark. For example, if you receive 30 for your coursework and are two days late, your coursework mark will be

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