

Bazar.com - Distributed Online Bookstore Project Report

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Bazar.com is a simple online bookstore system developed using a microservices-based architecture

Technologies & Tools

- Programming Language: Python 3.11
 - Framework: Flask (Microservices framework)
 - Containerization: Docker
 - Testing Tool: Postman
 - Database: CSV files(to keep the project lightweight)
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Microservices Architecture

Service	Responsibilities	Endpoints
Catalog	Manages book catalog and stock data	GET /search/<topic> GET /info/<item_id> POST /update/<item_id>
Order	Handles purchases and updates stock	POST /purchase/<item_id>Logs orders to order_log.csv
Frontend	Acts as the client gateway for users	GET /search/<topic> GET /info/<item_id> POST /purchase/<item_id>

CSV Files Used

- `catalog_data.csv` (located in catalog service): Stores book ID, title, topic, quantity, and price
- `order_log.csv` (located in order service): Logs purchases with timestamp, `item_id`, and title

Docker Setup & Networking

Each service runs in its own container:

- ☐ catalog on port 5001
- ☐ order on port 5002
- ☐ frontend on port 5000

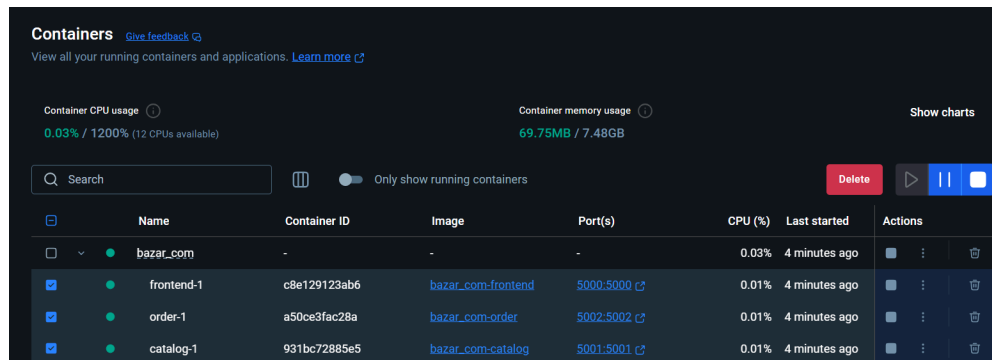
Dockerfiles: Each service has a Docker file that installs Flask and dependencies.

docker-compose.yml: Coordinates the build and run of all containers.

Installation & Commands Used

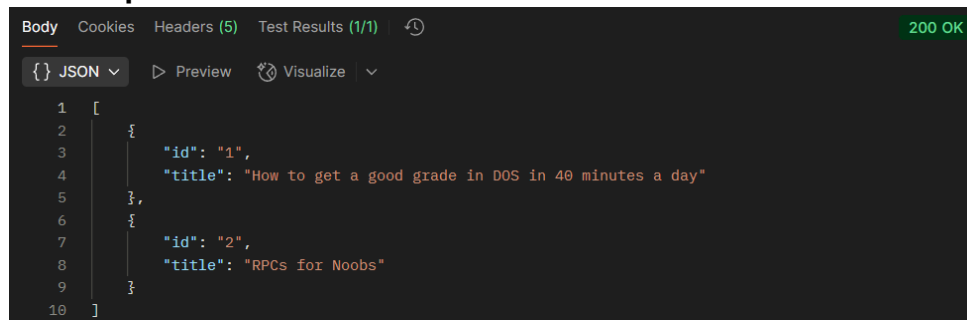
Environment Setup	Docker Commands	WSL Setup (Windows Only)
<code>python -m venv venv</code> <code>venv\Scripts\activate</code> <code>pip install flask flask-cors</code> <code>requests</code> <code>pip freeze > requirements.txt</code>	<code>docker-compose build</code> <code>docker-compose up</code> # or in background <code>docker-compose up -d</code> <code>docker ps</code> <code>docker exec -it</code> <code>bazar_com-catalog-1 cat</code> <code>catalog_data.csv</code>	<code>wsl --shutdown</code> # BIOS enabled virtualization for WSL2

Green lights for all 3 containers (instances) in Docker Desktop

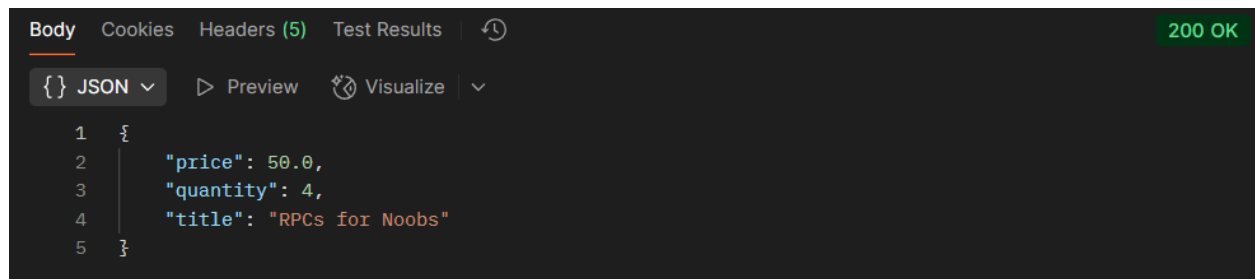


Postman test results for search, info, purchase, and out-of-stock case

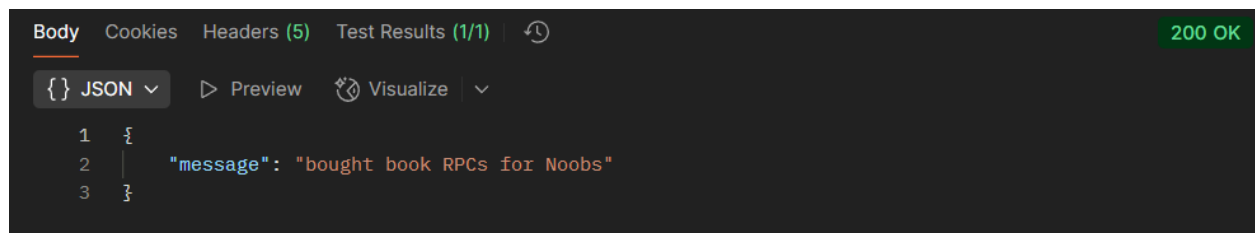
GET http://localhost:5000/search/distributed



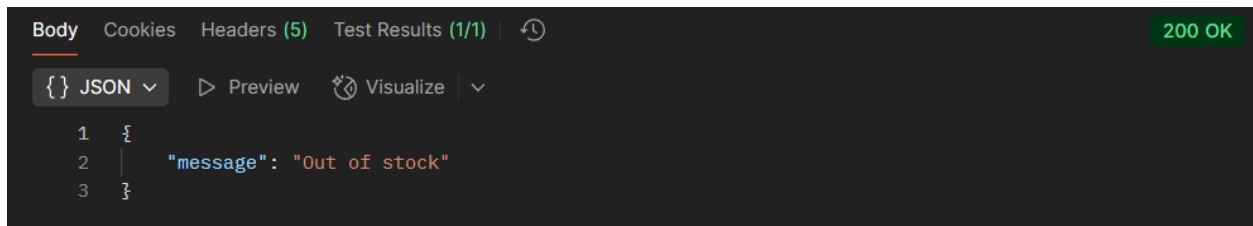
GET http://localhost:5000/info/2



POST http://localhost:5000/purchase/2

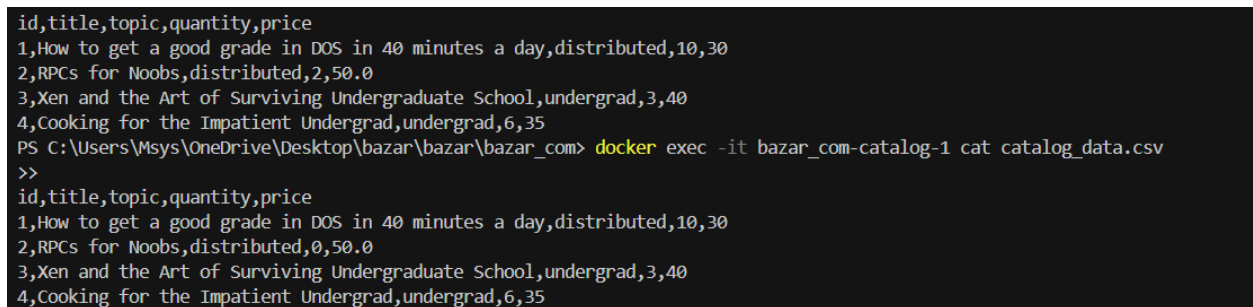


After multiple purchases for the same book, until the quantity was 0



The screenshot shows a web browser's developer console with the 'Body' tab selected. The response is a JSON object: `{ "message": "Out of stock" }`. The status bar at the top right indicates a 200 OK response.

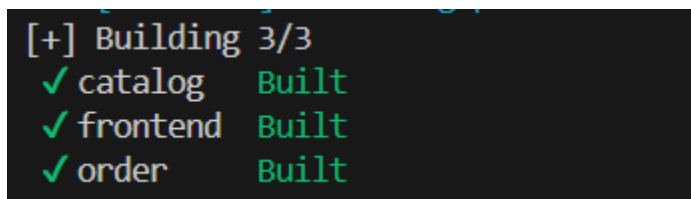
After purchases, the quantity field in `catalog_data.csv` is reduced



The screenshot shows a terminal window with the following content:

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id,title,topic,quantity,price
1,How to get a good grade in DOS in 40 minutes a day,distributed,10,30
2,RPCs for Noobs,distributed,2,50.0
3,Xen and the Art of Surviving Undergraduate School,undergrad,3,40
4,Cooking for the Impatient Undergrad,undergrad,6,35
PS C:\Users\msys\OneDrive\Desktop\bazar\bazar\bazar_com> docker exec -it bazar_com-catalog-1 cat catalog_data.csv
>>
id,title,topic,quantity,price
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2,RPCs for Noobs,distributed,0,50.0
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VS Code command line after composing up the three microservices instances on the docker



The screenshot shows a VS Code terminal with the following output:

```
[+] Building 3/3
✓ catalog Built
✓ frontend Built
✓ order Built
```