CPSC 471 Final Report

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Abstract:

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Introduction:

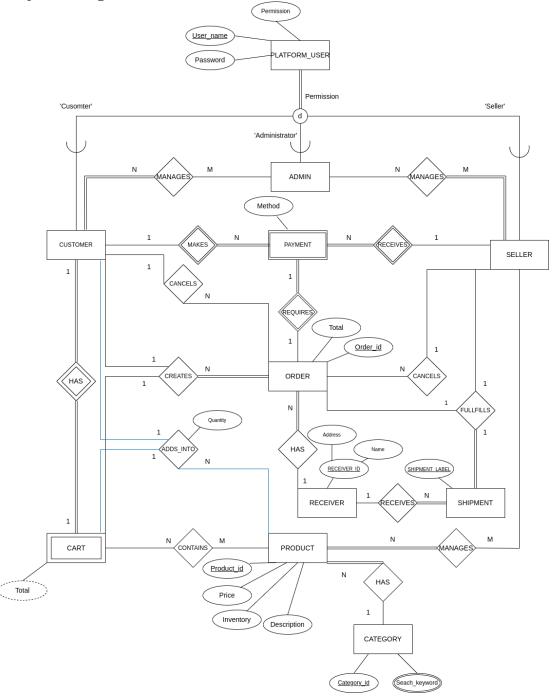
Since the prolonged pandemic has forced people to increasingly move their works and life online, many small sized local stores are suffering a plummeting in the number of in store shoppers. Thus, they desire to seize the opportunity to develop online businesses like other large-chain retail stores. This problem is partially solved by online workshops like Amazon, Ebay, and StockX. Their business model allows business owners to sell other products on their website by charging a substantial percentage of commission. Since the pandemic has lasted for a long time and there is no sign of an end at present, many local small-sized store owners argue the current business model that they build on the online platforms becomes less economically viable and not commercially sustainable for them when a considerable part of their revenue is being taken by the platform provider.

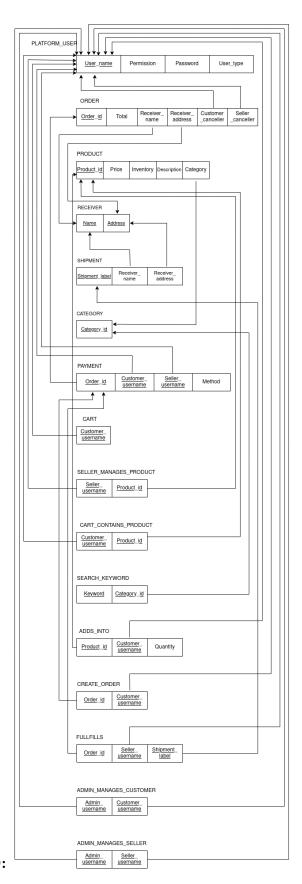
Our System:

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Project Design Description:

Project Design EER:





 ${\bf Implementation~RMD:}$

Implementation DBMS:

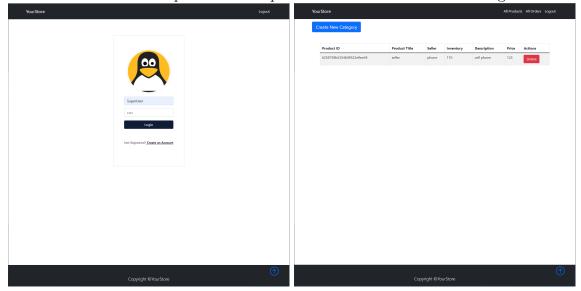
Postman Documentation:

https://documenter.getpostman.com/view/20517678/Uyr4LftC

User Guide:

1: Sign in as admin

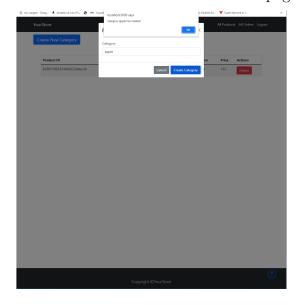
Fill in user name as "SuperUser" and password "sodu". Then click "Login".



2: Admin manage products

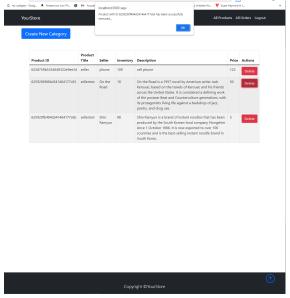
2.1: Create a new category

You can access "All Products" page by automatically sign in as admin or click "All Products" at nav bar. In "All Products" page, admin can create a new category as below.



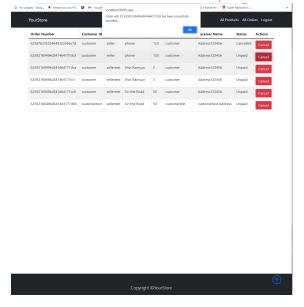
2.2: Delete products

In "All Products" page, admin can delete any existing products as below.



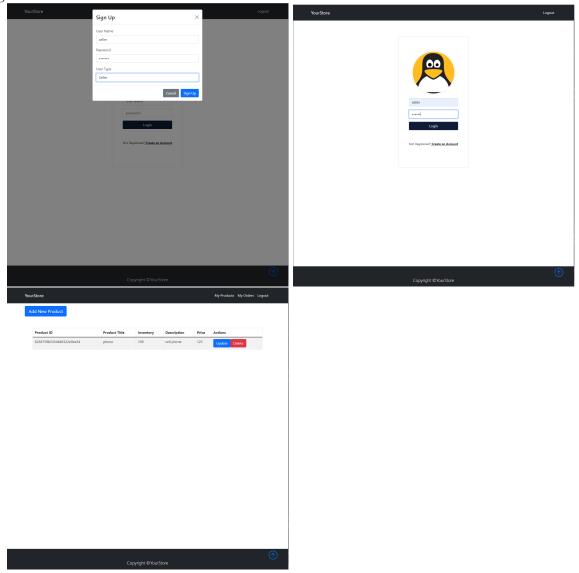
3: Admin manage orders

Click "All Orders" on nav bar, admin can delete any existing orders as below.



4: Sign in as seller

Register a seller account and then sign in with the information that used for account registration.

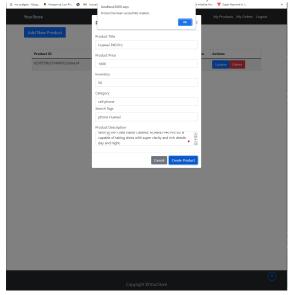


5: Seller manage products

You can access "My Products" page by automatically sign in as seller or click "My Products" at nav bar. In "My Products" page, seller can create a new product as below by clicking "Add New Product".

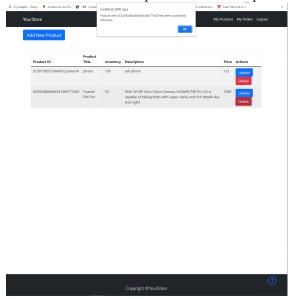
5.1: Create a new product

Filled in all the blanked fields, and click "Create Product" to actually create the product.



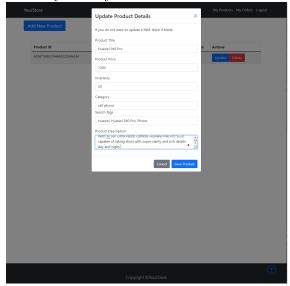
5.2: Update/Delete products

You can choose to update or delete product by click corresponding buttons.

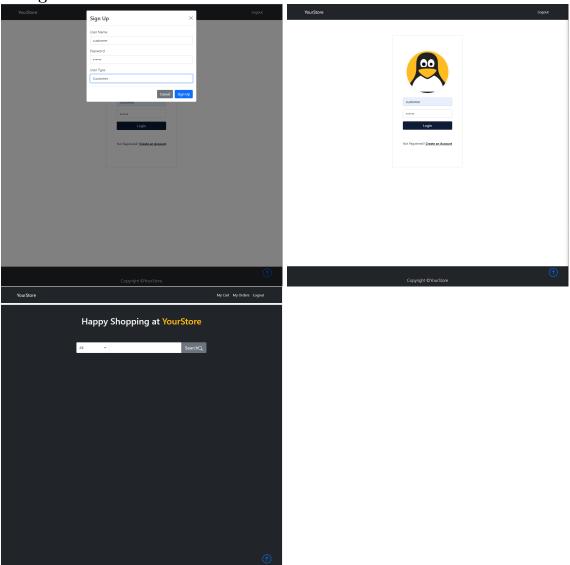


6: Seller manage orders

Click "My Orders" on nav bar, seller can update/delete any existing orders as below. Note that you only need to fill in the fields that need to be updated.



7: Sign in as customer



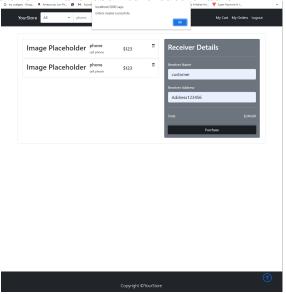
8: Customer add product to cart

After searching the products, the customer can choose his/her favorite product and click "Add To Cart" button to add the product into the cart.



9: Customer place order

The customer can navigate to his/her cart by clicking "My Cart" on the navigation bar. After examing the cart carefully, the customer can fill in the receiver details in the grey box and click "Purchase" to create orders.



10: Customer manage order

After click "My Orders" link in the navigation bar, the customer should be redirected to a page that he/she can manage his/her orders. The customer can choose to "Pay" for the order or "Cancel" the order by clicking the corresponding buttons.

