

Administrative Console – The Data Mine Corporate Partners Symposium



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About Pebblst

- The "Oprah's Favorite Things" for the rest of us
- ❖ Allows everyday people to share, save, and manage product/service recommendations with their network of friends ("pebbles")
- Good products and experiences are worth sharing; friends' recommendations are more valuable than online reviews

Project Goals

Improve user experience on the site, make the platform more secure, ensure cleanliness of data

Google Tag Manager – Data Enhancement

- ❖ Goals: Use GTM to track and extract user interaction data from Pebblst
- Google Tag Manage
- ❖ Areas of Research: GTM/Google Analytics, data analytics
- Tools: Google Tag Manager, Google Analytics
- Outcomes: Connect GTM onto the Pebblst webpage, get user information from users on Pebblst

Web Scraping – Data Enhancement

- Goals: Create a streamlined approach to ingest important life events such as birthdays and anniversaries
- Areas of Research: Web scraping, product design, data transformation
- ❖ Tools: Python, SQL, HTML
- Outcomes: Websites had security blocks to prevent proper web scraping

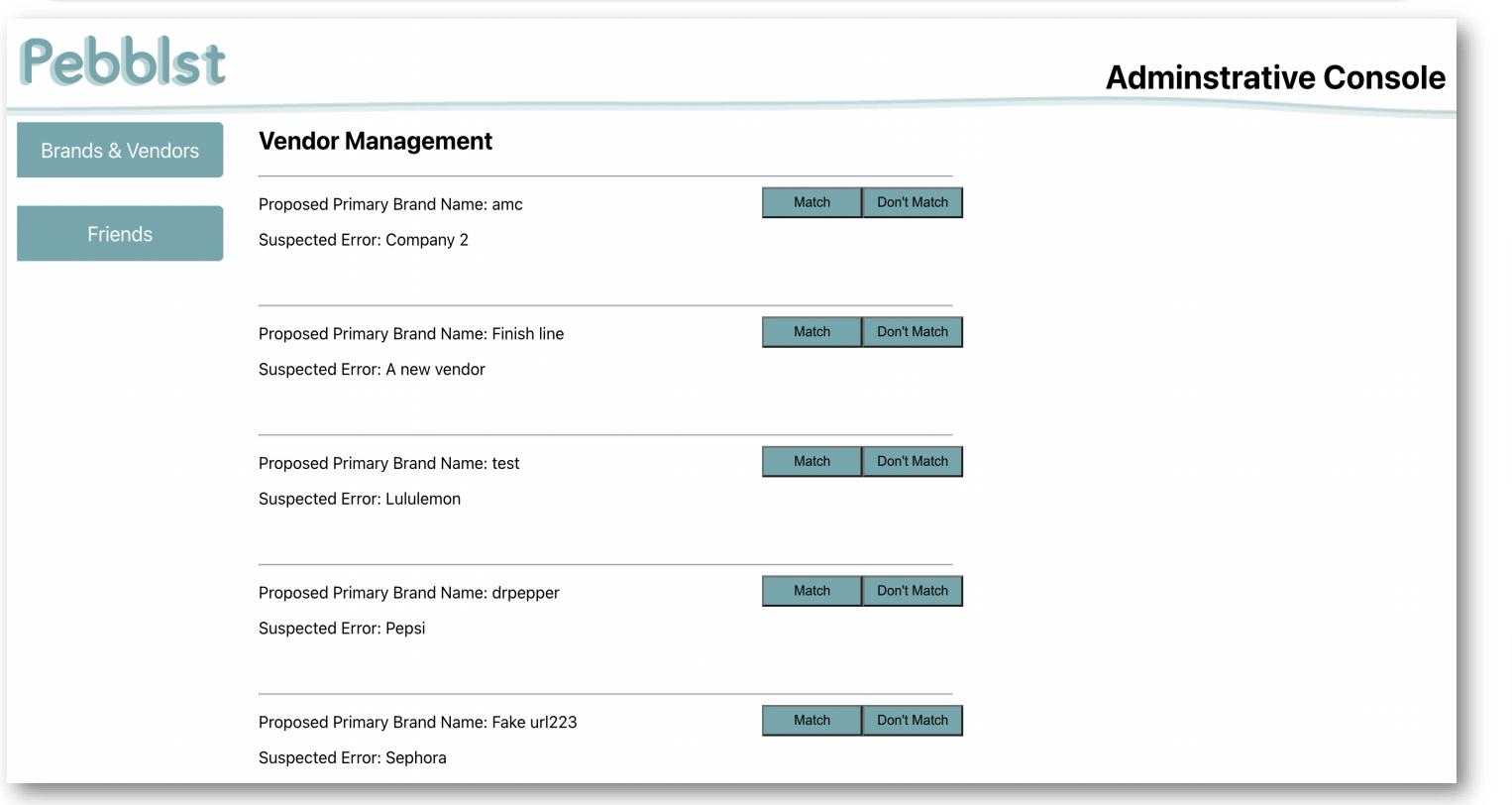
Chrome Extension – User Experience

- Goals: Create a web extension to easily add pebbles to Pebblst
- Areas of Research: Web scraping, product design, UX
- Tools: Python, SQL, HTML, CSS, Javascript, React, Figma, Adobe XD
- Outcomes: Completed UI prototype according to use cases

Administrative Console – User Experience

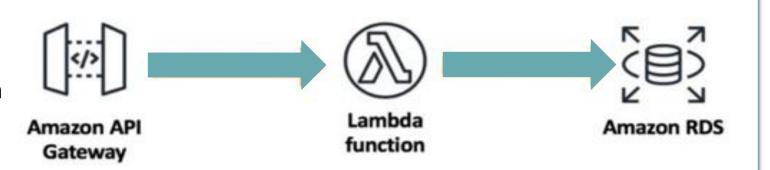
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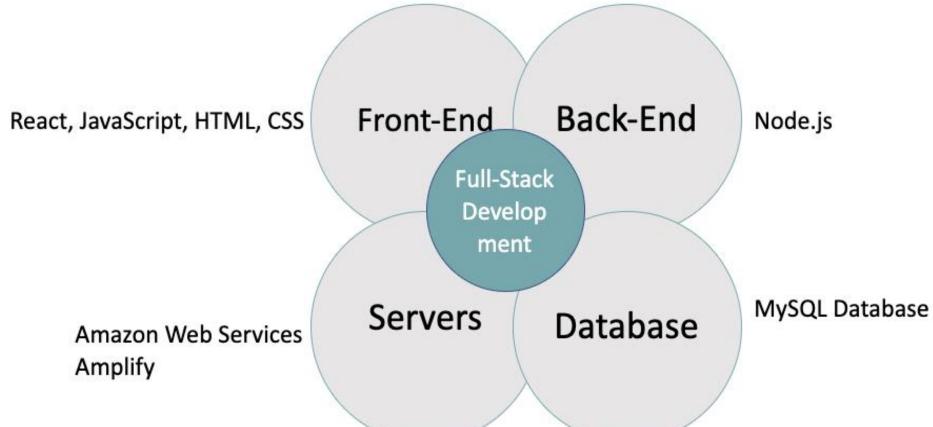
- Create an administrative console for verified Pebblst administrators to manage the application and monitor and cleanse pebble brand/vendor data in the database
- Allow consolidation of brand/vendor data by manually overriding brand names into a single entry on the vendor table in the database (match by characters and/or URLs)
- Solution: Get/Update functions to match and replace brand data + history tracking table to monitor changes
- Tools: React, Python, MySQL, AWS Services (Lambda, Gateway, Amplify, RDS)
- Outcomes: User experience, data cleanliness, and overall workflow will be greatly improved



Data Pipeline

- Pipeline between Frontend, AWS Gateway, and Lambda function
- ❖ Lambda Function: Handles request, searches and returns irregular data from database
- ❖ To update database: frontend generates UPDATE request with correct information to AWS Gateway --> triggers Lambda Function associated with update request
- Lambda Function handles request and updates database with correct information





Future Goals

- Connect the Administrative Console to the rest of the platform
- Integrate the history tracking table with AWS pipeline
- Enable authentication for administrators to access the Admin Console
- Extend the functions of the current Administrative Console
- Start developing the Chrome Extension
- Create web scraping pipelines

Conclusions

- Successfully developed an administrative console that is used for database cleansing
- Gained valuable experience in full stack web development, web scraping, product design, data transformation, user experience, and soft skills

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