

Bazaar – php example code – part 1 – first thoughts about application

Bazaar app enable management of sell offers from variety of registered clients. Main project focus on database design and implementation, login implementation with SESSIONS extended with support of COOKIES, maintaining access to scripts along user roles. Our first part of series will explain basic interaction among pages and show page design expectation.

Enumeration of app expectation

Our Bazaar app will enable manage listings for sell of used things. Functionality must be limited for registered users and some of management capability can be available only for admin user.

During process of preparation we expanded our first thoughts and adding new features as item cart or user roles.

Requirements for our app:

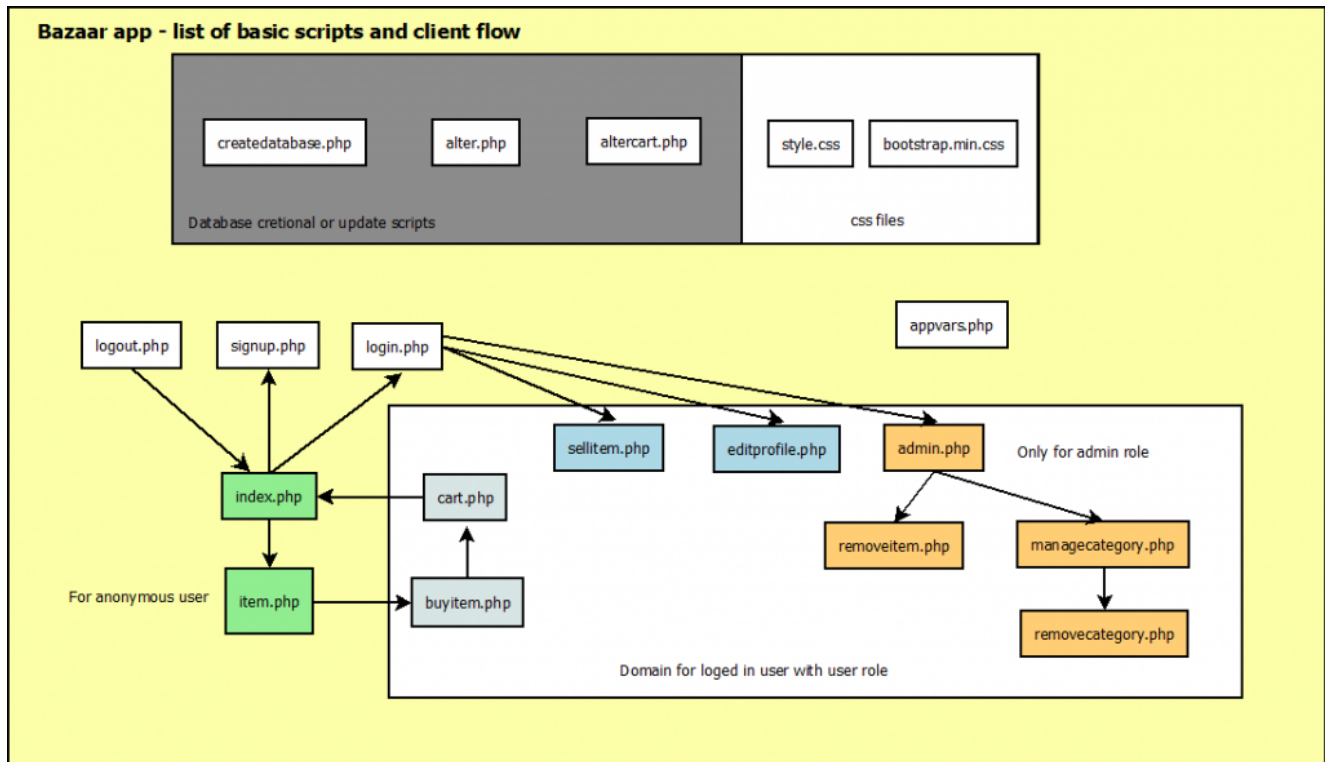
- unregistered user must be able view all sell listings on index.php page
- list of items for sell must display last 5 products and user must be able select interesting category from drop-down menu
- for all items must be available closer look page with

further display and link to buy

- only registered users can add items to a cart – for cart management we use column `cart_number`. If cart number is 0, item is available for buy. If this number is changed to `users_id` then item is not displayed anymore and is added into a cart of user (there is some difficulty, how to after some time release listening and reset number to 0 after some expiration period)
- application will demonstrate mechanism for sinup user with login functionality
- for user login persistency combination of SESSION with COOKIES mechanism will be used
- on admin page and editprofile page is shown different content for logged in or unlogged user
- user can sign in into a common user role with signup form
- only admin has granted full access to admin page
- registered user can add item to sell listening, but item is displayed only after admin approval of content
- admin can manage categories available on bazaar portal

Block diagram of main page scripts

Next picture show names of main page scripts and flow during user work. Some pages/ scripts will be added next in development process for support of new important functionality. This solution depicts traditional, procedural approach for development of PHP applications.



Bazaar app – block diagram of main page scripts

Code scripts can be separated into a three main category: 1 – database creatonal scripts with further database altering scripts, 2 – cascade styles scripts and 3 – main page scripts.

Description some of them:

createdatabase.php – main script for creating three database table for category, item and user data persistency.

alter.php and altercart.php – minor updates and addins into a existing database table. Up to a time of preapartion of this article `user_role` to `bazaar_user` table was added and `cart_number` in `bazaar_item` was added for support of user cart functionality.

index.php – main page with signup, login and logout functionality. Display will differ for unlogged and logged in user. man contentent of the page are two table outputs os

listened items for sell. persistent display show 5 latest listenings. Upper part enable select form dropdown menu category of interest for appropriate user and next show all listed items. Further improvement will be pagination of results.

login.php, **logout.php** and **signup.php** – all these scripts support access management into a content of the page. Unregistered user must sign up with unique e-mail and name. Some of important data can be added into a database next with **editprofile.php** script.

item.php and **buyitem.php** – all items listened on main index page have link leading into a **item.php** page. From GET data is obtained `item_id` that select from database all information provided to listed item. On **item.php** page is link into a **buyitem.php** page. This page is available only for registered user and enable change `cart_number` data from 0 to `users_id` of appropriate user. This way we mark listed item as added into a user cart for further buy fulfillment (this option must be discussed next, at time of writing this article is not in a final stage).

cart.php – (on progress) – show all items marked with appropriate `users_id` of the logged user and show total price for all listened items. This page is a way for fulfillment buy process and send info to site admin/ seller to arrange all important things for correct buy/sell process. (This part needs further improvement of functionality, because to sell listening user must be marked in `bazaar_item` table with their `users_id`).

sellitem.php – enable add info about sold product.

editprofile.php – any further information about registered user is contained in this part of page.

admin.php with **removeitem.php** and **managecategory.php** and **removecategory.php** – access to these pages is enabled only for admin role of the user. This part enables change state of

published boolean filed from 0 to 1 for display item to sell. All page categories can be managed through these gages.

appvars.php – central page with all important constants included on top part of pages in any other scripts.

Showcase of frontend and backend for bazaar app

This part show visual look of appropriate pages in state of time whne this article will be written. Further improvements will be added in next weeks during development and testing process.

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Bazaar - best items for a best prices!



* Select category-subcategory of product for sale:

If no proper category-subcategory exist, please contact admin of the pages for creation them for you.

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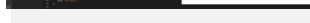
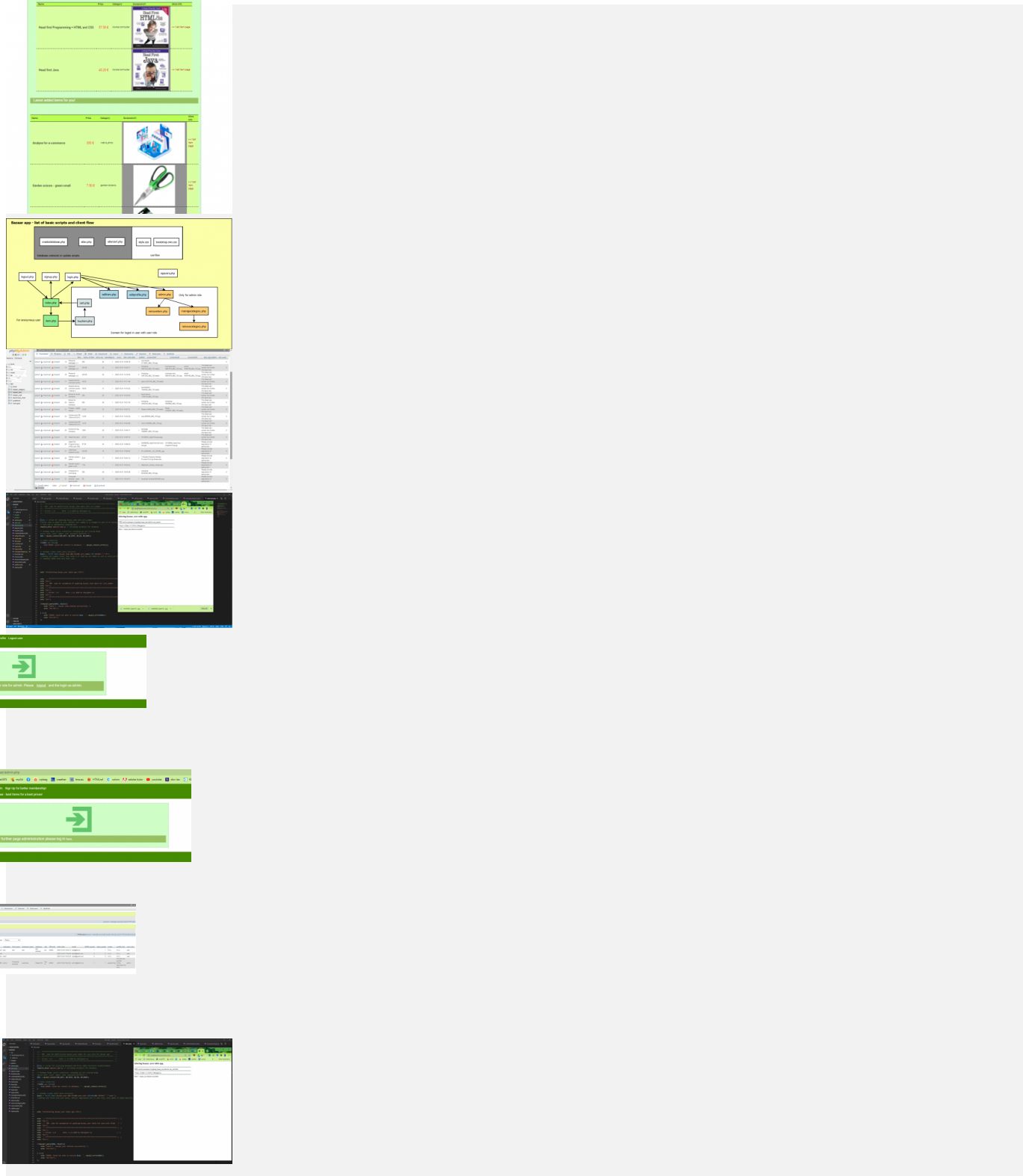
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Frontend of the index.php bazaar page






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Conclusion and source code

In our first article focused on bazaar app page we make basic foundation about main page script and their interactions. During proces of description arrisen some new questions about ways how to extend functionality to fullfil requirements for working portal enabling selling and buying used goods from common users.

Ful code of the projects in as is state can be obtained from github [here](#).