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PROJECT: Mod Manager

Overview

Mod Manager is a desktop application that assists NUS students in managing tasks, schedules, and contacts for their modules in a semester. Our team, which consists of five software developers, took over an existing desktop Java application Address Book (Level 3) with about 6 KLoC and evolve it into our Mod Manager with more than 10 KLoC. The project spans over a period of eight weeks, where each of us idealise and design the product, utilise CI/CD for weekly project enhancements, implement features and functionality, write documentation (User Guide & Developer Guide), as well as take part in Quality Assurance.

Technologies: Java, JavaFx, GitHub, Intellij IDEA

The following sections document all the contributions that I have made to **Mod Manager**.

Summary of contributions

- Code contributed: I personally contributed more than 3 KLoC to Mod Manager. All my code contributions can be found here.
- Major enhancement: idealise and design the Task component of Mod Manager. The Task component allows NUS students to manage their tasks, such as programming assignments, homework, tutorials, reviewing lecture content, exam revision for their respective modules in a semester.
 - What it does: every Task has a description, a time frame (for example, 13/04/2020 23:59), and a Module it belongs to. It allows users to organise and manage their tasks easier, with commands such as CRUD, mark the task as completed, view uncompleted tasks, view tasks by Module, find Task by its description, and search for a Task by its date, month, or year.
 - Justification: This feature improves the product significantly because every NUS student has a lot of things to do in the semester, and Task management offers a way for them to plan, and manage their tasks better. The Task component blends in well with Mod Manager and its other components, for example, every Task is allocated to an academic Module.
 - Highlights: The implementation of the project is tedious. It required a great amount of effort to understand the original AddressBook (Level 3) code given in order to morph and build upon this original project. Every small increment in the Task features require changes to multiple existing parts of the code, which requires using debugging tools and tracing the code to understand the code execution sequence. For example, with a small change in the Task class design, multiple JUnit test cases and data Storage design need to be changed. The Task component also has some dependencies on other components, as well as multiple other components have dependencies on the Task component. This requires good communication

skills between the team to notify each other every time the high-level design of Task or other components change, even with just a slight change. The Task component also required an indepth analysis of design alternatives, which lead to incremental changes over the period of the project. For the commands implemented, input validation and data formatting is critical to avoid unexpected behaviours to our application.

- · Credits: The idea is adapted from AddressBook (Level 3) and the Duke project
- **Minor enhancement**: design and implement the UI to represent a Task. The design inspired other components of **Mod Manager** to adapt a similar presentation.

Dark red color indicates a task that is not yet done.

```
CS2105 ID: 224
Programming Assignment 2
12/04/2020 23:59
```

Green color indicates a task that is already completed.

```
CS2101 ID: 344
Oral Presentation 2
06/04/2020 08:00
```

- Other contributions:
 - Project management:
 - Managed releases v1.3 v1.5rc (3 releases) on GitHub
 - Enhancements to existing features:
 - Updated the GUI color scheme (Pull requests #33, #34)
 - Wrote additional tests for existing features to increase coverage from 88% to 92% (Pull requests #36, #38)
 - Documentation:
 - Did cosmetic tweaks to existing contents of the User Guide: #14
 - Community:
 - PRs reviewed (with non-trivial review comments): #12, #32, #19, #42
 - Contributed to forum discussions (examples: 1, 2, 3, 4)
 - Reported bugs and suggestions for other teams in the class (examples: 1, 2, 3)
 - Some parts of the history feature I added was adopted by several other class mates (1, 2)
 - Tools:
 - Integrated a third party library (Natty) to the project (#42)
 - Integrated a new Github plugin (CircleCI) to the team repo

{you can add/remove categories in the list above}

Contributions to the User Guide

Given below are sections I contributed to the User Guide. They comprise most of the commands for the Task component. They showcase my ability to write documentation targeting end-users.

NOTE

For your easier understanding of the content below, every Task in a Module has an ID, which uniquely identifies the task in the module. The ID is important for us to differentiate a task from the others in the Module, since two Task s may have the same description and time frame. The Task component uses Singapore's standard date format (dd/MM/yyyy).

Marking a task as done

You can mark the task as done in the module in Mod Manager.

NOTE	A newly added task as above will be considered as not done by default.
NOTE	Editing a task will not change the done/not done status of the task.
NOTE	Tasks that are already marked as done cannot be re-marked as done.

Format:

task done /code MOD_CODE /id ID_NUMBER

Command properties:

- MOD_CODE should belong to a valid and existing module in Mod Manager.
- ID_NUMBER should belong to a valid task for the module above.

Example:

You can mark a task as done in the module. To mark the task with task ID ID_NUMBER in module MOD_CODE to be done, you can type in the following command:

task done /code CS2105 /id 224 and hit Enter

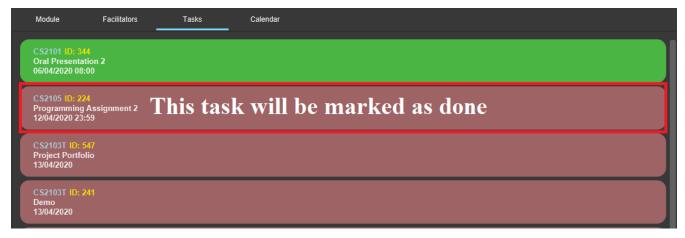


Figure 1. Before task done /code CS2105 /id 224

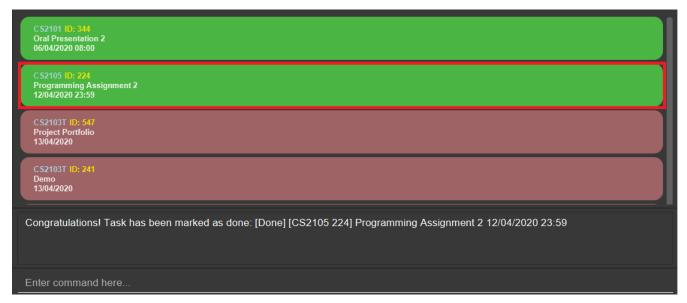


Figure 2. After task done /code CS2105 /id 224

The task card has changed to green; which means our task has been marked as done. Hooray! We just completed a task.

Viewing all tasks across all modules in ModManger

You can view a list of all tasks across all modules in Mod Manager. This is great when you need an overview of all tasks that you need to complete at present.

Format:

• task list

Example:

By typing the command above, you should see the following:

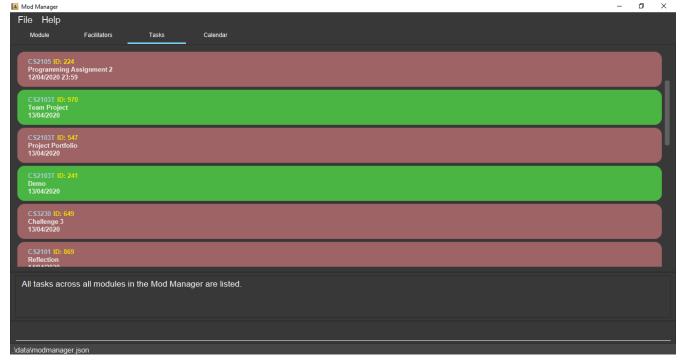


Figure 3. task list shows a list of all tasks in Mod Manager

Viewing tasks for a specific module in ModManger

If you want to find tasks for a specific module in Mod Manager, this is the command for you to use!

Format:

• task module /code CS2103T

Command properties:

• MOD_CODE should belong to a valid and existing module in Mod Manager.

NOTE

Alternatively, you can also view the tasks for a specific module in the Module tab (main dashboard).

Example:

If you want a list of current tasks for the module CS3230, you can type in the following command:

task module /code CS3230 and hit Enter

It is not compulsory for you to be at the Tasks tab before typing in this command. Mod Manager will automatically redirect you to the Tasks tab if you are currently at another tab.

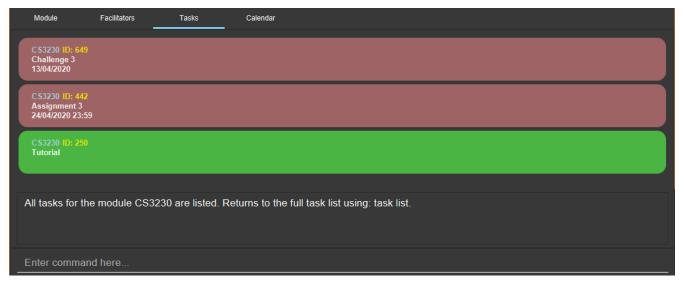


Figure 4. All tasks belonging to the module CS3230 are listed

Viewing all tasks not done/finished

Previously, we know that we can mark a task as done, so as to organise, manage, and plan our tasks better. Now, with this command, you can see all the tasks that have not yet been finished.

Format: task undone

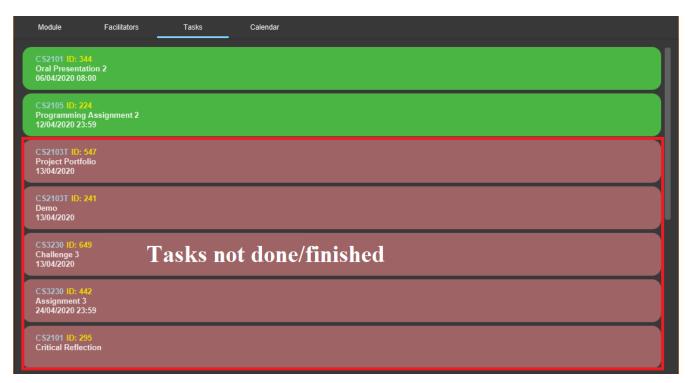


Figure 5. Before task undone, all tasks are listed

By typing the command above and hit Enter, you should only see uncompleted tasks, which are in dark red color:

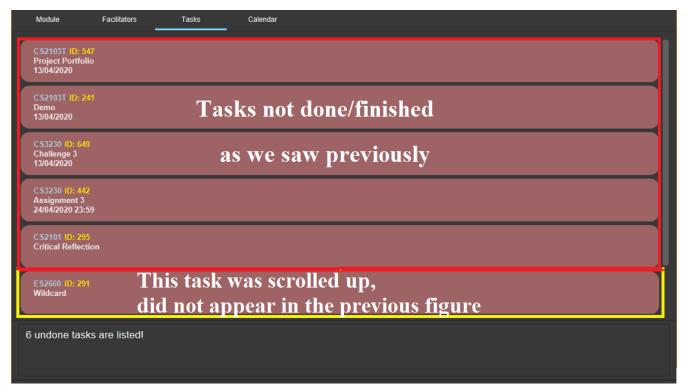


Figure 6. Only uncompleted tasks are shown

Finding tasks by description

You are browsing through the task list. But there are too many tasks! You suddenly remember a specific task that you want to do, but you can only vaguely remember its description, e.g. something related to assignment.

This command is exactly what you need. In your case, you can find all tasks that contain the word assignment, which may include Programming Assignment, written assignment, Take-home Lab Assignment (note that it can be case-insensitive). If you remember multiple words in your wanted tasks, you may also type in multiple words as you want. Tasks that meet at least one of the keywords you provided will be shown to you.

Format:

• task find DESCRIPTION [MORE_DESCRIPTIONS]...

Command properties:

- The find works across modules, so no /code command are required. For example, you may want to find all the assignment currently due.
- Searching for description is case insensitive. e.g programming will match Programming.
- The order of the descriptions does not matter. e.g. Programming Assignment will match Assignment Programming.
- Tasks are only searched in the description.
- Words can be partially matched e.g. assign will match assignment.
- Tasks matching at least one description will be returned (i.e. OR search). e.g. assign home will return both Programming Assignment 2 and Homework 3.

Examples:

To find tasks that contain the word oral, assign, or tut in their description, you can type in the following command:

task find oral assign tut and press Enter



Figure 7. After task find oral assign tut, all matching tasks are displayed.

Explanation:

- Oral Presentation 2 contains Oral which matches oral (case-insensitive).
- Programming Assignment 2 contains Assignment which matches assign (case-insensitive, and words can be partial match)
- Similarly, Assignment 3 will match assign, and Tutorial will match tut
- As long as a task's description matches **one** of the keywords provided, it will be shown.

You can try typing in task find assign tut oral and press Enter. This will return the same list of tasks, since the ordering of the keywords does not matter.

Other examples:

- task find homework
 Finds all tasks that contain the word homework in their description
- task find math coding
 Finds all tasks that contain the word math or coding in their description

Searching tasks by date

With this command, you can search for all tasks that occur on your specified date, month, or year.

NOTE

Tasks are only searched for its date. Tasks that do not have dates or times will not be found in this list.

Format:

• task search [/date DATE] [/month MONTH] [/year YEAR]

Command properties:

- The search works across modules, so no /code commands are required.
- If no optional fields are provided, Mod Manager will output all tasks that have a specified time period.
- Invalid inputs such as /date monday, /month December, /year this year are not allowed. Please use numbers for /date, /month, and /year instead.
- Invalid date, month, or year is not allowed. For example:
 - ∘ /date 32, /date 0: date can only range from 1 to 31.
 - /month 13, /month 0: month can only range from 1 to 12.
 - /year 0, /year 99999: the search only accept year ranging from 1 to 9999
 - /date 30 /month 2: there is no 30/2 in any year
 - /date 29 /month 2 /year 2019: this is not possible since 2019 is not a leap year.
 However, /date 29 /month 2 (year is not provided) is okay.
- Tasks matching **all** conditions will be returned (i.e. AND search). e.g. /month 5 /year 2020 will only match tasks that are in May 2020.

Example:

You can search for tasks that are due on the submission date of CS2103T for AY19/20 S2 (13 April). To find tasks happening on 13 April, you can type task search /date 13 /month 4 and press Enter. This will return all tasks that are happening on 13 April.

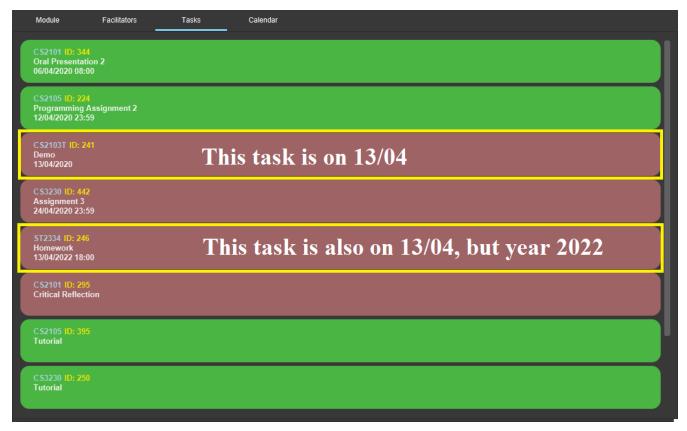


Figure 8. Before task search /date 13 /month 4, all tasks are listed

Note that the content above may be different from what is currently on your Mod Manager. You may add or edit the tasks to match we have above

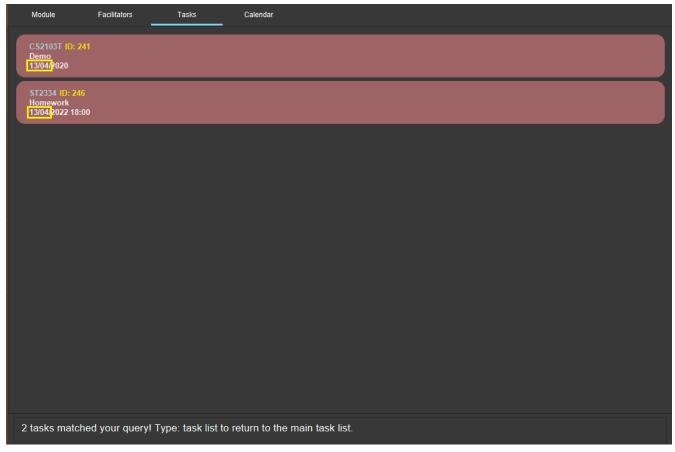


Figure 9. After task search /date 13 /month 4, only matching tasks are listed

Explanation: the two tasks both have date as 13 and month as 4.

Other examples:

- task search /date 1
 - Searches for all tasks happening on the first day of the month, in any year. Who wants to study on New Year's Day really?
- task search /month 4 /year 2020 Searches for all tasks in the current month (at the time of writing, April 2020).
- task search /year 2020

Searches for all tasks in this year (at the time of writing). This will be useful if Mod Manager is used over a long period of time.

task search /date 14 /month 2 /year 2021
 Searches for all tasks happening on 14/02/2021.

Finding upcoming tasks [coming in v2.0]

You can find upcoming tasks, such as assignment submission and final exam in Mod Manager.

I also contributed to some sessions of the User Guide for the entire Mod Manager.

Contributions to the Developer Guide

I idealise and design the Task component of **Mod Manager**. I implemented most of the commands for this Task component, the remaining are CRUD commands which are based on my initiated Task design.

Given below are sections I contributed to the Developer Guide. They showcase my ability to write technical documentation and the technical depth of my contributions to the project._

NOTE

For your easier understanding of the content below, every Task in a Module has an ID, which uniquely identifies the task in the module. The ID is important for us to differentiate a task from the others in the Module, since two Task s may have the same description and time frame.

Implementation, Task Component

Marking a task as done

The marking a task as done command allows users to mark a certain Task in a Module as done, based on its task ID called taskNum. This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser, TaskMarkAsDoneCommandParser and TaskMarkAsDoneCommand. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as Model#setTask().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the marking task as done mechanism behaves at each step.

- 1. The user executes the task mark as done command and provides the moduleCode and the taskNum of the task to be marked as done.
- 2. TaskMarkAsDoneCommandParser creates a new TaskMarkAsDoneCommand based on the moduleCode and taskNum.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskMarkAsDoneCommand.
- 4. TaskMarkAsDoneCommand retrieves the moduleCode and taskNum of the task to be marked as done, and then retrieves the current existing Task from ModManager.
- 5. TaskMarkAsDoneCommand creates a clone of the retrieved Task, then mark this new Task as done.
- 6. ModManager sets the existing task to the new task, marked as done in the UniqueTaskList.
- 7. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the task mark as done command works:

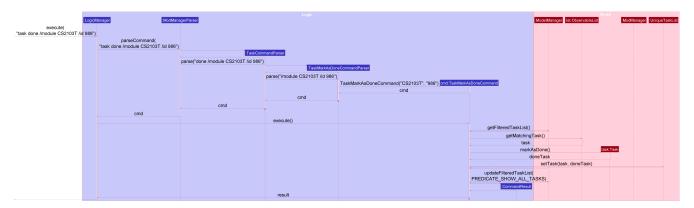


Figure 10. Sequence Diagram for task done /module CS2103T /id 986 Command

NOTE

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser, TaskMarkAsDoneCommandParser, and TaskMarkAsDoneCommand should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes the task mark as done command:

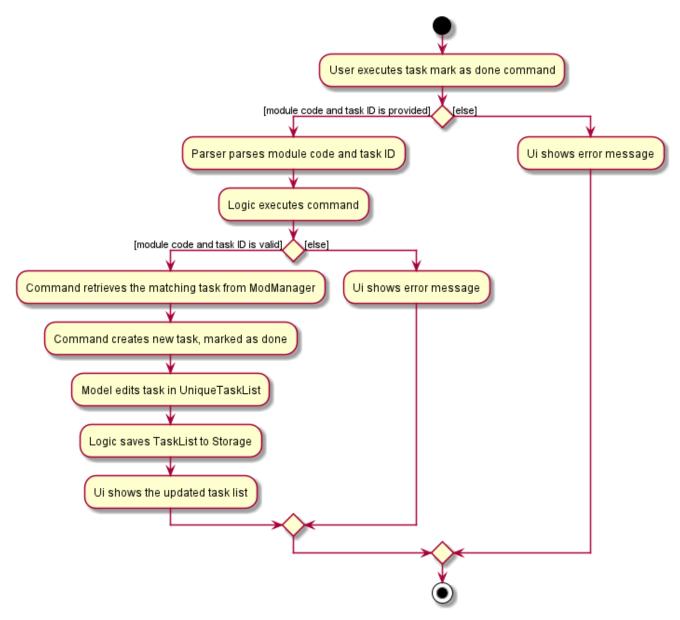


Figure 11. Activity Diagram for a general task done Command

Viewing all tasks across modules in Mod Manager

The list task feature allows users to list all tasks across all modules in Mod Manager. This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser and TaskListCommand. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as Model#updateFilteredTaskList().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the task list mechanism behaves at each step:

- 1. The user executes the task list command.
- 2. TaskCommandParser creates a new TaskListCommand.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskListCommand.
- 4. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the task list command works:

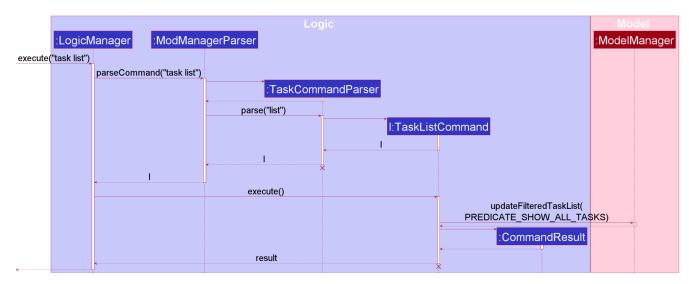


Figure 12. Sequence Diagram for task list Command

NOTE

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser and TaskListCommand should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes a task list command:

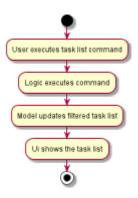


Figure 13. Activity Diagram for task list Command

Viewing tasks for a specific module in ModManger

The viewing task by module feature allows users to find all tasks belonging to a specific module in Mod Manager. This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser, TaskForOneModuleCommandParser and `TaskForOneModuleCommand`. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as Model#updateFilteredTaskList().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the task search mechanism behaves at each step:

- 1. The user executes the task search command and provides the day, month, or year, or any combination of which that they want to search for.
- 2. TaskSearchCommandParser creates a new TaskSearchCommand based on the names.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskSearchCommand.
- 4. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the search tasks for a specific module command works:

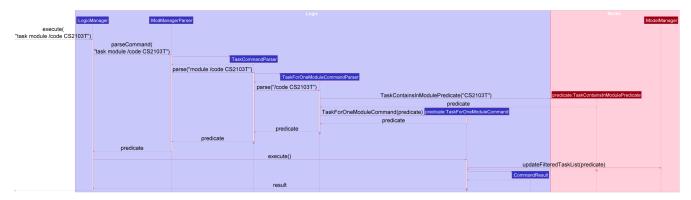


Figure 14. Sequence Diagram for task module /code CS2103T Command

NOTE

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser, TaskForOneModuleCommandParser, TaskForOneModuleCommand should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes a task find command:

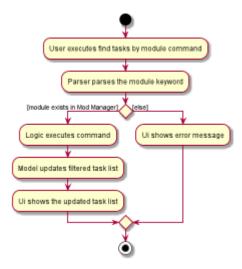


Figure 15. Activity Diagram for a general task module Command

Viewing undone tasks

The viewing undone tasks only feature allows users to view only tasks that are not yet completed in their Tasks tab. This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser, TaskListUndoneCommandParser and TaskListUndoneCommand. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as Model#updateFilteredTaskList().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the task view undone tasks mechanism behaves at each step:

- 1. The user executes the task view undone tasks command.
- 2. TaskListUndoneCommandParser creates a new TaskListUndoneCommand.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskListUndoneCommand.

4. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the task view undone tasks command works:

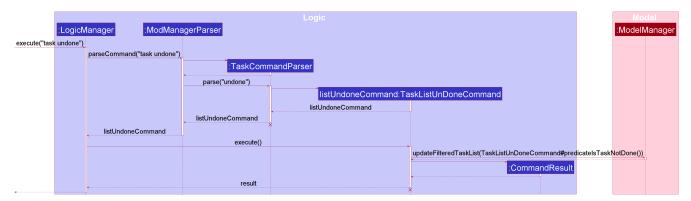


Figure 16. Sequence Diagram for task undone Command

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser, TaskListUndoneCommandParser,

NOTE TaskListUndoneCommand should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes a task view undone tasks only command:

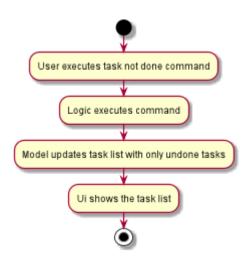


Figure 17. Activity Diagram for task undone Command

Finding tasks by description

The find task feature allows users to find a task by its description in Mod Manager. This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser, TaskFindCommandParser and TaskFindCommand. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as Model#updateFilteredTaskList().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the task find mechanism behaves at each step:

- 1. The user executes the task find command and provides the descriptions of the tasks to search for.
- 2. TaskFindCommandParser creates a new TaskFindCommand based on the descriptions.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskFindCommand.

4. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the task find command works:

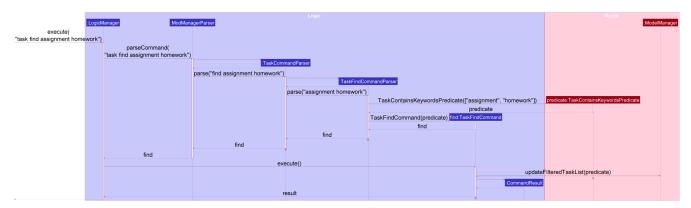


Figure 18. Sequence Diagram for task find assignment homework Command

NOTE

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser, TaskFindCommandParser, TaskFindCommand and TaskContainsKeywordsPredicate should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes a task find command:

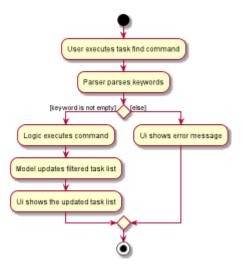


Figure 19. Activity Diagram for a general task find Command

Searching tasks by date

The search task feature allows users to search all tasks that occur on the specified date, month, or This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser, TaskSearchCommandParser TaskSearchCommand`. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as Model#updateFilteredTaskList().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the task search mechanism behaves at each step:

1. The user executes the task search command and provides the day, month, or year, or any combination of which that they want to search for.

- 2. TaskSearchCommandParser creates a new TaskSearchCommand based on the names.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskSearchCommand.
- 4. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the task search command works:

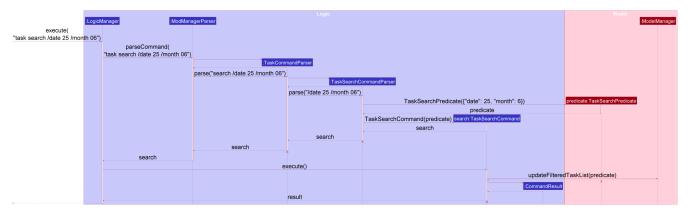


Figure 20. Sequence Diagram for task search /date 25 /month 6 Command

NOTE

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser, TaskSearchCommandParser, TaskSearchCommand and TaskSearchPredicate should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes a task find command:

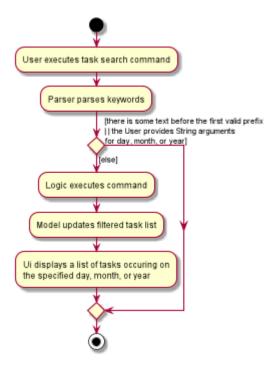


Figure 21. Activity Diagram for a general task search Command

Searching tasks by date

The search task feature allows users to search all tasks that occur on the specified date, month, or year. This feature is facilitated by TaskCommandParser, TaskSearchCommandParser and `TaskSearchCommand`. The operation is exposed in the Model interface as

Model#updateFilteredTaskList().

Given below is an example usage scenario and how the task search mechanism behaves at each step:

- 1. The user executes the task search command and provides the day, month, or year, or any combination of which that they want to search for search for.
- 2. TaskSearchCommandParser creates a new TaskSearchCommand based on the names.
- 3. LogicManager executes the TaskSearchCommand.
- 4. ModelManager updates the filteredTasks in ModelManager.

The following sequence diagram shows how the task search command works:

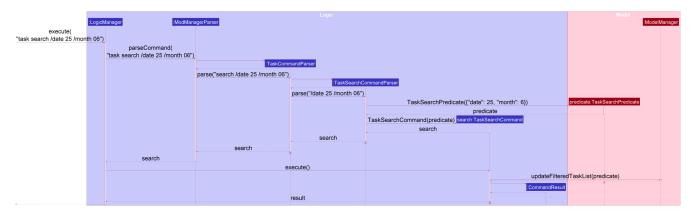


Figure 22. Sequence Diagram for task search Command

NOTE

The lifeline for TaskCommandParser, TaskSearchCommandParser, TaskSearchCommand and TaskSearch should end at the destroy marker (X) but due to a limitation of PlantUML, the lifeline reaches the end of the diagram.

The following activity diagram summarizes what happens when a user executes a task find command:

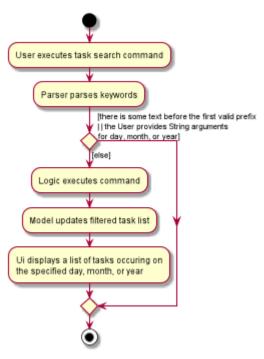


Figure 23. Activity Diagram for task search Command

Design Considerations

Aspect: A task may have a specified time frame, or not. How do we implement this feature?

- Alternative 1 (current choice): Implement Task as an abstract class for Mod Manager. A task
 with a specified time period will be created as a ScheduledTask, while a task with no time period
 specified will be created as a NonScheduledTask, with both ScheduledTask and NonScheduledTask
 are concrete subclasses of Task.
 - Pros: Utilises Object-Oriented Programming. Easy to implement **search** functionality, which we need to search for tasks that occur on a specified date, month, or year, and **upcoming** functionality [coming in v2.0], which we need to find the upcoming tasks in Mod Manager. For these two features, we only need to work on ScheduledTask instances, which reduces the burden of checking for null TaskDateTime instances as the second approach below.
 - Cons: More difficulty in implementation due to time constraints. Moreover, command edit that allows us to edits the information of the task will be troublesome, when a user decides to add a time period to a NonScheduledTask. In this case, we have to re-create a new ScheduledTask with the same description and its time provided. If we need to maintain a List<ScheduledTask> or List<Task> somewhere in the code, for example, in our Module instance, we also have to update the list contents in our Module s too. This requires the association between Module and Task to be bi-directional, which increases coupling and make it harder for us to maintain and conduct tests. There is also extra overhead time communicating and collaborating with another member in our team responsible for the Module component, Because of these challenges, we decide to weaken the association between Task and Module, which is elaborated in our next aspect.
- Alternative 2: Implement Task as a concrete class in Mod Manager. Task s without a specified time period will have its time attribute taskDateTime set to null, while Task s with a given time period will be assign a non-null instance of taskDateTime.
 - Pros: Easier to implement, as we only need to create one class Task.

• Cons: We must handle null cases every time we query something about the time of a Task. For example, it's more challenging to implement the search and upcoming command, since we have to check whether the task has a non-null taskDateTime or not. Moreover, it's complex to implement the method compareTo of Comparable interface for Task to compare the time between tasks, when one, or both of our taskDateTime attributes can be null.

Aspect: The association between Module and Task

• Alternative 1 (current choice): Aggregation: Each Task can have an unique ModuleCode tag, which uniquely identifies which Module the task belongs to. This is a aggregation relationship, which is weaker than composition in our second approach.

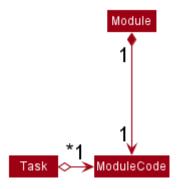


Figure 24. Class Diagram: A Task acts as a container for ModuleCode object of a ModuleCode objects can survive without a Task object.

- Pros: Easier to implementation, and weak coupling with Module implementation. The Module need not to be aware that there are a list of Task s for it.
- Cons: The association between Module and Task cannot be extensive and fully descriptive as in our second approach, but this is a trade-off given the time constraints.
 - **Alternative 2:** Composition: each Module has a list of Task s corresponding to it. If the Module is deleted, all of the related Task s for the Module will also be removed.



Figure 25. Class Diagram: A Module consists of Task objects.

- Pros: This design choice better simulates the real-life interactions between Module and Task. For example, if we drop a Module in NUS, we will also drop all the Task s related to the Module, such as assignments, homework, term tests, and exams.
- Cons: Difficulty in implementation due to time constraints, as well as strong content and data coupling. More overhead in communicating and collaborating with the team member responsible for the Module component, as mentioned above.

Appendix C: Use Cases

Use case: UC14 - Marking a task as done

MSS

- 1. User requests to mark a task as done and provides the module code and task ID of the task.
- 2. Mod Manager marks the task as done. The corresponding task card is changed to green.

Use case ends.

Extensions

- 1a. The module code and task ID provided is invalid.
 - 1a1. Mod Manager shows an error message.

Use case resumes from step 1.

- 1b. The task is already marked as done.
 - 1b1. Mod Manager shows an error message, notifying the task is already done.

Use case resumes from step 1.

Use case: UC15 - Viewing all tasks across modules in Mod Manager

MSS

- 1. User requests to list all tasks across modules in Mod Manager.
- 2. Mod Manager shows the list of all the tasks.

Use case ends.

Extensions

1a. There are no tasks currently available in Mod Manager.

Use case ends.

Use case: UC16 - Viewing tasks for a specific module in Mod Manger

MSS

1. User requests to list tasks for a specific module and provides the module code.

2. Mod Manager shows the list of tasks belonging to the specified module.

Use case ends.

Extensions

1a. The module code is invalid (module not available in Mod Manager).

1a1. Mod Manager shows an error message.

Use case resumes from step 1.

1b. There are no tasks currently available for the specified module.

Use case ends.

Use case: UC17 - Viewing undone tasks

MSS

- 1. User requests to list all undone tasks across modules in Mod Manager.
- 2. Mod Manager shows the list of all undone tasks.

Use case ends.

Extensions

1a. There are no undone tasks currently available in Mod Manager.

Use case ends.

Use case: UC18 - Finding tasks by description

MSS

- 1. User requests to find a task by its description and provides a number of keywords.
- 2. Mod Manager shows the list of tasks whose descriptions contain at least one of the keywords.

Use case ends.

Extensions

1a. None of the task descriptions contain any of the keywords.

Use case ends.

- 1b. No keywords are provided.
 - 1b1. Mod Manager shows an error message.

Use case: UC19 - Searching tasks by date

MSS

- 1. User requests to searches for a task by its date and provides the date, month, and year, or any of which.
- 2. Mod Manager shows the list of tasks occurring on the specified date, month, and year, or any of which.

Use case ends.

Extensions

- 1a. The date, month, or year provided is invalid.
 - 1a1. Mod Manager shows an error message.

Use case resumes from step 1.

- 1b. No parameters are provided.
 - 1b1. Mod Manager shows an error message.

Use case resumes from step 1.

1c. There are no tasks matching the specified date, month, and year.

Use case ends.

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