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PROJECT: AddressBook - Level 3

Overview

This portfolio page highlights some of my contributions to Calgo - a Software Engineering project developed in my second year of undergraduate studies in the National University of Singapore.

About the Team

We are 5 Year 2 Computer Science undergraduates reading CS2103T: Software Engineering.

About the Project

Calgo is a personalise calorie and meal tracker application, morphed from the existing Address Book Level 3 (AB3) project code base. My team was tasked with morphing it via Brownfield software development into a new application, while still maintaining its original Command Line Interface (CLI) nature and the majority of the code architecture.

It's hard to balance a suitable diet when one greatly enjoys food. Thus, we created Calgo to solve that issue. Calgo aims to aid seekers of a healthy lifestyle in adhering to a consistent daily dietary goal by increasing the convenience of tracking their daily meals. Calgo can keep track of nutritional information of the food users eat, monitor their daily caloric consumption to ensure they are meeting their goals, and to summarise all these into portable insights for even more convenience.

Summary of contributions

- Major enhancement: I improved the ability to retrieve help on the usage and format of Calgo commands.
 - What it does: The user can easily refer to a popup Help Window should they need a reminder for how the commands work.
 - Justification: The initial help command requires users to refer to the entire User Guide (UG) which we found very overwhelming and unnecessary. Thus, the help function provides a summarised guide for the commands removing the tediousness of trawling through the UG.
 - Highlights: The user can filter the command guide in Help Window to show only the commands they want.
- Major enhancement: I added the ability to view a summarised graph of daily caloric consumption for the past seven days.
 - What it does: Calgo displays a line graph of daily caloric consumption against the date.

- Justification: One of Calgo's goals is to provide summarised insights for users. The graph enables a visual version of that.
- Highlights: The graph changes its date axis depending on the date of the currently-displayed
 Consumption Record. Users can thus view insights for different sets of seven days.
- **Minor enhancement**: I modified **the GUI of AB3 to its current state.** (The modification was a team effort, thus this is a minor enhancement due to individual effort amount.)
 - What it does: This allows Calgo to display all the information we require it to, such as the Goal Display and Consumption Record. Additionally the colors are altered.
 - Justification: The default AB3 GUI does not support all the information we need Calgo to display. Additionally, the current blue and orange color theme is for branding reasons.
 - Highlights: Calgo has a sleek and compact design, yet allows users to view all relevant information at a glance.
- Code contributed: You can view my contributions to Calgo here
- Other contributions:
 - Wrote tests for features: #214, #220.
 - Did bug-fixing for bugs found during mock practical exam: #212.
 - Documentation:
 - Wrote the GUI interpretation, help sections and did minor editing for the User Guide: #74, #77, #280, #282, #284, #285, #286, #289, #293.
 - Wrote the help command and graph sections, and did minor editing for the Developer Guide: #78, #129, #253, #261, #280, #293.
 - Beyond the team:
 - Peer testing & bug reporting: #1, #2, #5, #6, #7, #1, #8, #9.

Contributions to the User Guide

Given below are sections I contributed to the User Guide. They showcase my ability to write documentation targeting end-users. Please note that some hyperlinks may not work as the guide is not part of this portfolio.

Interpreting Calgo's Graphical User Interface

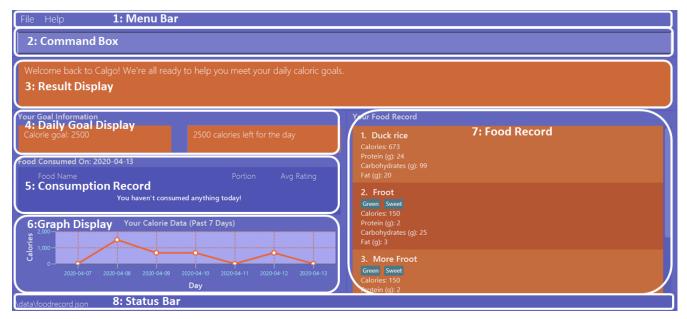


Figure 4.1: A labelled illustration of Calgo on startup

Calgo's GUI is designed to be sleek and compact, allowing you to use and view all of Calgo's features on a single window. However, that might be a little overwhelming at the start. Hence, this section aims to give a rundown on the GUI's various parts and ease you into using the App, starting from the top of the GUI.

These sections are labelled from 1 to 8, in the following order:

- 1. Menu Bar
- 2. Command Box
- 3. Result Display
- 4. Daily Goal Display
- 5. Consumption Record
- 6. Graph Display
- 7. Food Record
- 8. Status Bar

There is a ninth part, the Help Window, that is a separate pop up - only appearing when required for your convenience.

Menu Bar

The bar has two buttons, File and Help. The buttons allow you to exit the App by clicking the exit option under File, and to access the command guide by clicking the help option under Help. These buttons are there for your convenience, as exiting the app can also be done through the exit command. Likewise, accessing the command guides can be done using the help command.

Command Box

Calgo listens to your requests and processes them. The Command Box is where you type commands into.

Should you mistype a command, Calgo will prompt you to use the right format. You can easily edit the wrong command inside the Command Box without needing to retype it entirely.

Result Display

This is where Calgo displays textual updates as a result of processing your inputted commands. The Result Display will always show a response so you will know whether your commands have been correctly processed.

Daily Goal Consumption

This section is labelled "Your Goal Information" on the GUI, and consists of two parts. The left box displays your target daily calorie goal (after you've set it using the goal command). The right box shows the amount of calories you still need to consume to meet your daily goal, or the amount you've exceeded by.

The Daily Goal Consumption updates automatically.

Consumption Record

The Consumption Record displays the list of Food entries that you have consumed on that day. Although it only shows one day's consumption, the stomach command lets you view other days' records.

It has three subsections:

- 1. The name of the Food entry.
- 2. The number of portions of the Food you consumed that day.
- 3. The average rating as set by you, color-coded from red to green for low to high rating.

Graph Display

This section contains a graph that shows a summary of your past seven day's total calorie consumption. It displays data starting from the date of the current Consumption Record.

Example: Consumption Record currently shows 2020-04-12. Graph Display will thus show the daily calories consumed from 2020-04-06 to 2020-04-12.

Food Record

This is a list of all Food entries you currently have in Calgo. Each Food entry will have a name, its nutritional information, and optional tags as set by you. The Food Record alternates colors between entries so that you can easily tell one entry apart from its neighbours.

Status Bar

This bar shows where Calgo reads system data from. You should not delete or modify these files.

help: Displaying help when lost

(by Janice)

Whether you are an experienced Calgo user or a newcomer to the App, it can be hard to remember what a command's usage and format is. Thus, the help command aims to remind you of them.

Here are some key pointers:

- The help command displays all available commands, in alphabetical order.
- If you want to find out more about a specific command, help can used with a keyword.
 - This keyword is the name of the command you want to know more about.

Format: help [COMMAND_WORD]

Example:

Let's say you've forgotten how to add Food entries to your Consumption Record. You know there is a command called nom, but don't recall its format. You can use the help command to obtain the format like so:



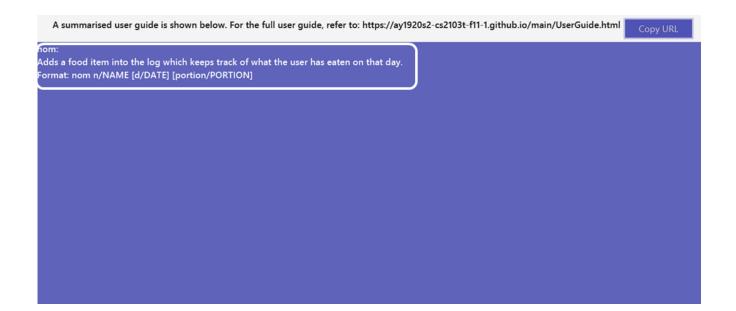
Type help, then press kbd:[enter].



This creates a popup (the Help Window) with command guides. However that displays all the commands, which might make searching for only nom a bit daunting. Instead, you can type help nom, then press kbd:[enter].



As you can see, the Help Window popup now only shows the command guide for nom.



Contributions to the Developer Guide

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. Please note that some hyperlinks may not work as the guide is not part of this portfolio.

Past seven days calorie data graph

(by Janice)

This section addresses how the graph displaying the user's past seven day's daily total calorie consumption works. Note that the graph counts starting from the date on the current Food Record, and the six days prior to it.

The graph will always display the past seven days' data at the bottom of the app, and will update whenever app data is changed.

NOTE

If a command changes the date of the Food Record (such as nom or stomach), the graph will update to show data for the past seven days from that date, inclusive.

Implementation

GraphPanel in the Ui component. It contains a LineChart of String date against Number calories, and is populated with data from an XYChart.series. The data is in turn obtained from the Logic component, which provides only the past seven days' of DailyFoodLog. The implementation of the GraphPanel class will be further explained.

GraphPanel class implements the following operations:

- initialiseTreeMap Sets up the TreeMap that maps LocalDate date of DailyFoodLog to the Double total calorie consumption n that day.
- initialseGraph Sets up the LineChart with xAxis a String representing date, and yAxis a Double

representing total calories consumed on that date.

- updateSeries Ensures the XYChart.series that populates the graph with data is always updated with the most recent app data.
- makeGraph Wrapper function that calls the above three methods.
- getGraph Public accessor function to generate and retrieve the LineChart.

Calgo will display the past seven days' graph automatically, and likewise update automatically. It does so by having the MainWindow class call getGraph on startup and after execution of commands.

The sequence diagram below demonstrates how the Graph feature works.

[GraphSequenceDiagram] | GraphSequenceDiagram.png

Figure 1. Sequence Diagram for GraphPanel

Sequence Diagram for Graph feature.

Step 1: MainWindow requests for an instance of GraphPanel.

If no instance exists, a new GraphPanel is created. Otherwise one is retrieved. This ensures that GraphPanel is a singleton.

Step 2: MainWindow calls GraphPanel again to generate the graph and add it to the GraphPanelPlaceholder inside MainWindow.

Step 3: Inside GraphPanel, a wrapper method makeGraph calls three methods in a row:

First, initialiseTreeMap, which has Logic call the getPastWeekLogs method onto GraphPanel, generating a TreeMap of String date mapped to Double calories using the past seven days' DailyFoodLog. Second, initialiseGraph method is called to generate the graph itself. Third, updateSeries method is called to ensure the data populating the graph is up to date.

After which, the GraphPanel adds the graph to MainWindow.

Design considerations

Aspect: Choice of visuals for past seven days summary

- Alternative 1 (current choice): Summary is represented using a line graph.
- Alternative 2: Summary is represented in a table.

Aspect: When graph's dates are based on

- Alternative 1 (current choice): Dates are based on past seven days starting from date of Consumption Record, inclusive.
- Alternative 2: Dates are based on past seven days starting from today's date, inclusive.

Summary

In summary, this section addresses how the graph obtains information on the past seven <code>DailyFoodLog</code>, and correspondingly produces a visual graph output onto Calgo's <code>Main Window GUI</code> component viewable by the user.

The graph requires the LogicManager class to obtain the information, and the MainWindow class to facilitate display to the user.