

To-Do List Application

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1. Abstract:

This project is a simple, dynamic To-Do List Application designed to help users manage their tasks. It features the ability to add, complete, edit, and delete tasks, along with a filtering mechanism to view all, active, or completed tasks. The application leverages client-side storage (Local Storage) to persist tasks across sessions, making it a fully functional, self-contained utility. The interface is clean, modern, and responsive, thanks to the integration of the Bootstrap 5 framework.

2.Objectives:

- To build a fully functional web-based To-Do List application using vanilla JavaScript (via jQuery).
- To implement CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete) operations for managing tasks.
- To utilize Local Storage for task persistence.
- To provide a clean and responsive User Interface (UI) using Bootstrap 5.
- To include filtering capabilities to display tasks based on their completion status.

3. Scope of the Project:

The scope of this project is to implement a client-side To-Do List application. It covers:

- Task input and creation.
- Displaying the list of tasks.
- Marking tasks as complete or incomplete.
- Editing and deleting individual tasks.
- Filtering the displayed list by status ("All," "Active," "Completed").
- Saving and loading the task list to/from the user's browser (Local Storage).

It does not include:

- A backend database or user authentication.
- Advanced features like drag-and-drop sorting or task categories.

4. Tools & Technologies Used:

Tool/Technology	Purpose
jQuery	Simplified DOM traversal and manipulation, event handling.
Bootstrap	Responsive design, pre-built components (Card, Form, Buttons, List Group).
Web Local Storage	Storing and retrieving the task array on the client-side.
HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript	Core structure, styling, and application logic.

5. HTML Structure Overview:

- The structure utilizes Bootstrap's grid and components for a centralized, modern layout:
- Page Wrapper: A primary `<div class="container my-5">` centers the application and provides vertical margin.
- Card Component: The entire application resides within a `<div class="card shadow-lg">` to give it a distinct, elevated look, complete with a primary-colored header.
- Input Area: An Input Group is used for the text input (`#taskInput`) and the Add Task button (`#addTaskBtn`).
- Filter Buttons: A set of three buttons (`.filter-btn`) is provided for filtering, using Bootstrap's outline button styles and a `data-filter` attribute to manage state in JavaScript.
- Task List: The tasks are rendered inside an unordered list element, `<ul class="list-group" id="taskList">`, where each task will be an `` element styled as a Bootstrap List Group Item.

6. CSS Styling Strategy:

- The custom CSS is minimal, primarily leveraging the extensive styling provided by Bootstrap.
- Body Styling: Sets a light background (#f4f7fc) and uses a modern, system-font stack (font-family: system-ui).
- Task Completed Style: The core custom style, .task-completed, is a class applied by JavaScript to completed task text, providing a clear visual cue with text-decoration: line-through and color: gray.
- Action Button Spacing: A small adjustment for margin between the Edit and Delete buttons (.task-actions button).
- Active Filter Reinforcement: Adds a light blue box-shadow to the active filter button (.filter-btn.active) to make its selection visually unambiguous, complementing Bootstrap's default active styling.

7. Key Features:

- Task CRUD: Full functionality to Create, Read (render), Update (edit/toggle complete), and Delete tasks.
- Persistent Storage: Tasks are stored in the browser's Local Storage under the key "todo_tasks_v1", ensuring they remain available even after the browser is closed and reopened.
- Dynamic Rendering: The renderTasks() function dynamically generates the list HTML based on the current state of the tasks array, ensuring the UI always reflects the data.
- Toggle Completion: Users can mark tasks as complete via a checkbox, which applies the .task-completed style.
- Task Filtering: Users can click "All," "Active," or "Completed" filter buttons to immediately update the view.
- Keyboard Support: Pressing the Enter key in the input field adds a new task.
- Client-Side Task Editing: Editing is handled via the native JavaScript prompt() function for quick text modification.

8. Challenges Faced & Solutions:

Challenge	Solution
Identifying the correct task to modify.	Each task object is given a unique <code>id</code> (<code>Date.now()</code>). This <code>id</code> is stored on the list item using the <code>data-id</code> attribute, allowing event handlers to reliably find the corresponding object in the <code>tasks</code> array using <code>\$(this).closest("li").data("id")</code> .
Efficiently updating the UI after every change.	The <code>renderTasks()</code> function is called after every change (add, delete, edit, filter). It clears the list and regenerates the entire view, ensuring all state changes (including filters) are accurately reflected.
Handling events for dynamically added elements.	jQuery's <code>\$(document).on(event, selector, handler)</code> syntax is used for all dynamic elements (checkboxes, edit/delete buttons). This event delegation ensures that listeners work for elements that are added to the DOM <i>after</i> the initial page load.

9. Outcome:

- The result is a reliable, easy-to-use To-Do List application. It provides a good demonstration of using jQuery for dynamic front-end logic and Bootstrap for a professional, responsive presentation, coupled with Local Storage for data persistence. The code is modular, with clear functions for each key operation (`addTask`, `setTaskCompleted`, `deleteTask`, etc.), making it clean and maintainable.

10. Future Enhancements:

- **Task Reordering:** Implement drag-and-drop functionality (using a library like jQuery UI Sortable or a modern equivalent) to allow users to prioritize tasks visually.
- **Task Priority/Due Dates:** Add fields for assigning a priority level (e.g., high, medium, low) or a due date.
- **Better Editing UI:** Replace the native `prompt()` with a more integrated, in-line editing input field for a smoother user experience.
- **Code Modernization:** Refactor the JavaScript to use native ES6+ features (e.g., `fetch`, template literals, modern DOM manipulation) instead of relying solely on jQuery, aligning with current web development best practices.

11. Sample Code:

This is a sample code not the actual code:-

// Render list according to tasks[] and currentFilter

```
function renderTasks() {
```

```
  const $list = $("#taskList").empty();
```

```
  tasks.forEach((task) => {
```

```
    // apply filter
```

```
    if (currentFilter === "active" && task.completed) return;
```

```
    if (currentFilter === "completed" && !task.completed) return;
```

```
    const $li = $(`
```

```
      <li class="list-group-item d-flex justify-content-between  
align-items-center" data-id="${task.id}">
```

```
        <div class="d-flex align-items-center">
```

```
          <input type="checkbox" class="form-check-input me-2  
toggle-complete">
```

```
          <span class="task-text"></span>
```

```
        </div>
```

```
        <div class="task-actions">
```

```
          <button class="btn btn-sm btn-warning edit-task">Edit</button>
```

```
          <button class="btn btn-sm btn-danger  
delete-task">Delete</button>
```

```

        </div>
    </li>
`);

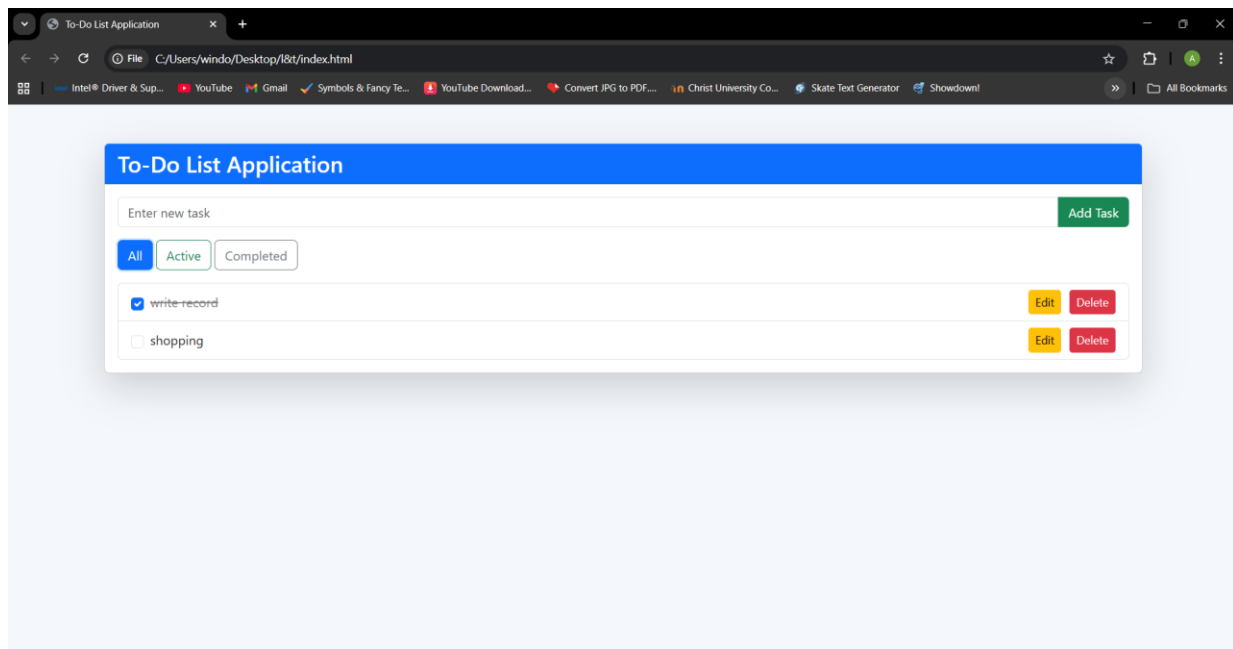
    $li.find(".task-text").text(task.text).toggleClass("task-completed",
task.completed);

    $li.find(".toggle-complete").prop("checked", task.completed);

    $list.append($li);
});
}

```

12. Screenshots of Final Output



13. Conclusion:

This project successfully delivers a robust, user-friendly To-Do List Application. By effectively combining the structural power of HTML5, the styling prowess of Bootstrap, and the dynamic capabilities of jQuery and Local Storage, it provides a solid foundation for a practical, client-side data management tool. It achieves all its core objectives and serves as an excellent example of essential front-end development principles.

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