DevFocus: FocusBot

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Problem

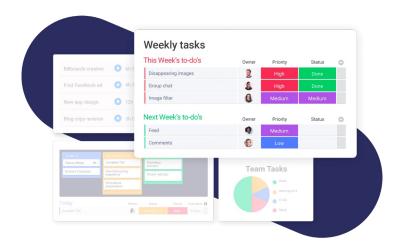
- Developers often have many responsibilities.
 - Projects are broken down into multiple tasks
 - Frequent requirement changes lead to the addition of even more tasks
- Remote work present many distractions (e.g. household distractions, digital diversions...)
- Remote work decreases an individual's motivation and accountability



Solution

- A task management tool with productivity aids
 - Plans weekly tasks
 - Tracks progress on current task
 - Offers suggestions to boost productivity

- Enables team members to see each other's task statuses
 - From pending to completed and those currently underway
 - Able to assist other members with challenging tasks



Use Case: Logging Tasks

Preconditions	Main Flow	Subflows
User: - is logged into app, - has tasks to work on.	User will: - go to the planning page and add a new task, - input task information (i.e., description, priority, deadline, estimated difficulty/duration).	User will: - log current working session, - respond to app prompt for purpose of session (i.e., add task)

Relevance to teamwork in SE

- Offer transparency and collaboration among team members
 - Allows developers to see what their colleagues are working on and possibly offer assistance

- Streamline task management within a team
 - Allows developers the ability to assign tasks, track progress and set reminders

- Enhance overall team performance
 - Enables developers to contribute their best work and ensure timely delivery of project milestones

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