

Software Engineering Group Project Interaction and High Level Design

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of this Document

The purpose of this document is to ensure that the client and design team understand and can visualise the software interface easily. It also lists the minimum requirements of the system and interaction methods the software will use.

1.2 Scope

This document shows the GUI design for TaskerMAN and TaskerCLI to facilitate further design. It goes on to list the communication methods between the various components and the minimum requirements to run those components.

1.3 Objectives

The document aims to inform the reader of high level design choices by including typical use-cases, which extends to applications and their methods of interaction in order to facilitate the functional requirements of the system. It also contains mock-up designs of the user interface and the functionality they will provide for users of this software.

2. DEPLOYMENT DESCRIPTION

2.1 Applications in the system

2.1.1 TaskerCLI

TaskerCLI is the desktop based application in the system. The software will be written in Java and will be tested with Java 1.7.0_85 running on a Linux 64-bit Operating System. [Appendix A] - using versions of the Java Runtime Environment lower than this may cause unexpected behaviour and therefore is not recommended.

JDBC will be used to facilitate data communication. The version this software will be developed with is 4.2, utilising driver version 5.1.37.

The JUnit testing framework that is used during development will be version 4.12. This requires Java Development Kit 1.5 or above. [1]

2.1.2 TaskerMAN

TaskerMAN is the web-based software component of the system. The website will be built with HTML5, CSS (Cascading Style Sheets), JavaScript and PHP. The PHP tested during development is PHP Version 5.6.13 [Appendix B] running on an Apache server [Appendix C], running on Gentoo Linux 3.18.7 64-bit [Appendix D].

This information is also available by running *phpinfo()* on the targeted web server. [2]

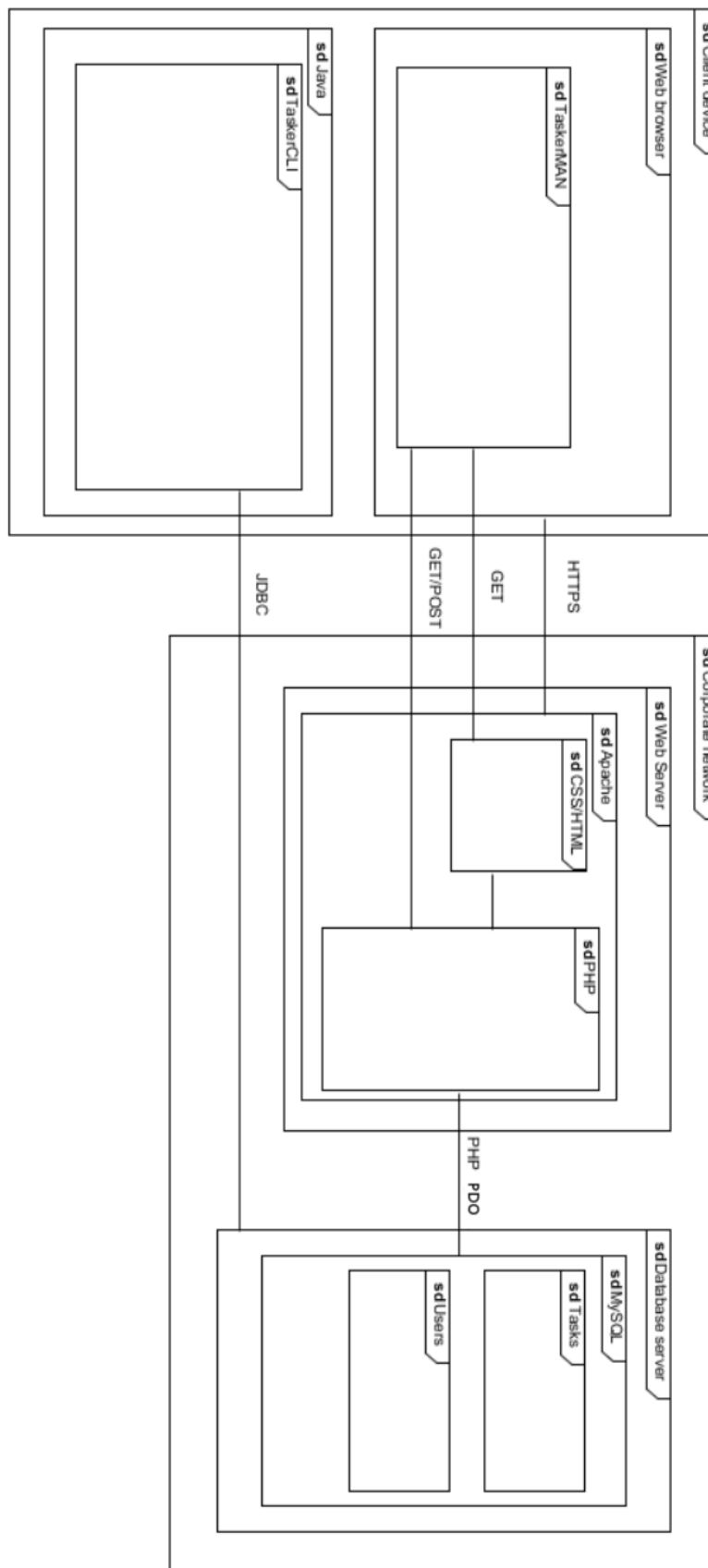
In order to enable the use of the PHPUnit testing framework, a minimal installation of PHP 5.6 is required, but the latest install is highly recommended. [3]

2.1.3 TaskerSRV

TaskerSRV is the database component.

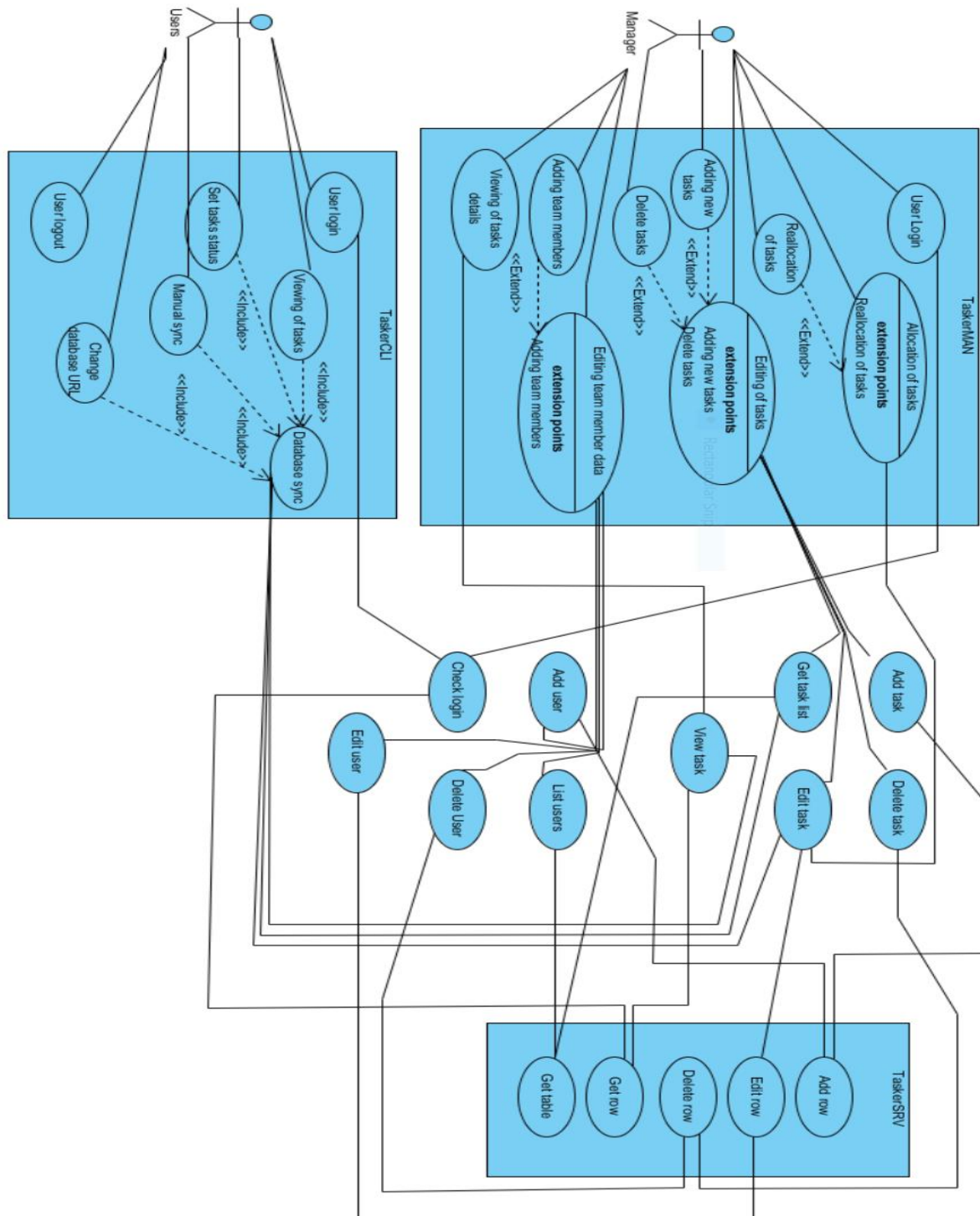
A MySQL relational database will be used. The version will be tested against is MySQL 5.6.26 on a Linux 64-bit Operating System [Appendix E]. The main system requirement for a current MySQL installation is 2.5GB of free hard disk space [4], and any disk space pertinent to the size of the database.

2.2 Application interactions



3. INTERACTION DESIGN

3.1 Use-Case Diagrams



3.2 User Interface Design – Tasker CLI

3.2.1 Log In Window

The diagram illustrates the 'Log In Window' for 'TaskerCLI'. The window has a title bar with the text 'TaskerCLI' and three standard window control buttons (minimize, maximize, close) on the right. The main content area is light gray and contains an 'Email:' label followed by a white rectangular text input field. Below the input field are two light gray rectangular buttons: 'Log In' and 'Connection Settings', stacked vertically.

- Textbox for user to enter their email address for validation, as per requirements specification. [5]
- Log In button opens 'Main Window' when clicked, provided a valid email address has been entered.
- Clicking the 'Connection Settings' button will open the 'Connection Settings' window – this allows the user to configure their connection to the *TaskerSRV* database.
- Closing 'Log In Window' will bring up the 'Exit Confirmation' window.

3.2.2 Main Window

TaskerCLI

Quick View (1/2)

Task Name: TaskerCLI UI Design

Status: Allocated

Assigned Task Member(s): Josh Doyle

Start Date: 21/10/2015

Expected End Date: 25/10/2015

Task Elements: Draw design for login window, draw design for main window, draw design for edit window, draw design for delete confirmation window, write comments, add any references if needed

< Edit >

Connection Status

Online

Last Synced 0 Minutes Ago

Connection Settings

	Task Name	Status	Assigned Task Member(s)	Start Date	▼ Expected End Date ▲
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TaskerCLI UI Des...	Allocated	Josh Doyle	21/10/2015	25/10/2015
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Plan	Allocated	David Fairbrother	17/10/2015	27/10/2015
<input type="checkbox"/>	Test Specificat...	Allocated	Maurice Corriette	20/10/2015	09/11/2015

- The table at the bottom of the 'Main' window shows all of the tasks currently saved in *TaskerSRV*, the last time the program was synchronised with the database.
 - Clicking on the headings at the top of the columns in the table, will order the table based upon the values in that column. The design shown is in descending order based upon the *Expected End Date* column.
 - Checking the checkboxes next to each task, enables the user to select multiple tasks.
 - The scrollbars are used to navigate the table.
 - Selected tasks are shown in more detail in the 'Quick View' panel.
- The Quick View panel at the top left of the 'Main' window presents the data from the tasks selected from the table.
 - Clicking the arrow keys at the bottom of the Quick View panel navigates between all tasks selected from the table at the bottom of the 'Main' window.
 - Clicking the 'Edit' button opens the 'Edit' window, to change completion status and task elements of the current task in the 'Quick View' panel.
- The Connection Status panel at the top right of the 'Main' window status changes colour depending on the connection status.
 - Green indicates that *TaskerCLI* is currently connected to *TaskerSRV* and that everything is synchronised.

- Red indicates that the connection between *TaskerCLI* and *TaskerSRV* has been lost and that synchronisation is no longer guaranteed.
- In the demonstrated design, *TaskerCLI* is connected to *TaskerSRV* and has been synchronised less than a minute ago. The number of minutes increments every minute and returns to 0 after successful synchronisation.
- Closing the window brings up the 'Exit Confirmation' window.

3.2.3 Edit Window

TaskerCLI

Edit Task

Task Name: TaskerCLI UI Design

Status: ▼

Assigned Task Member(s): Josh Doyle

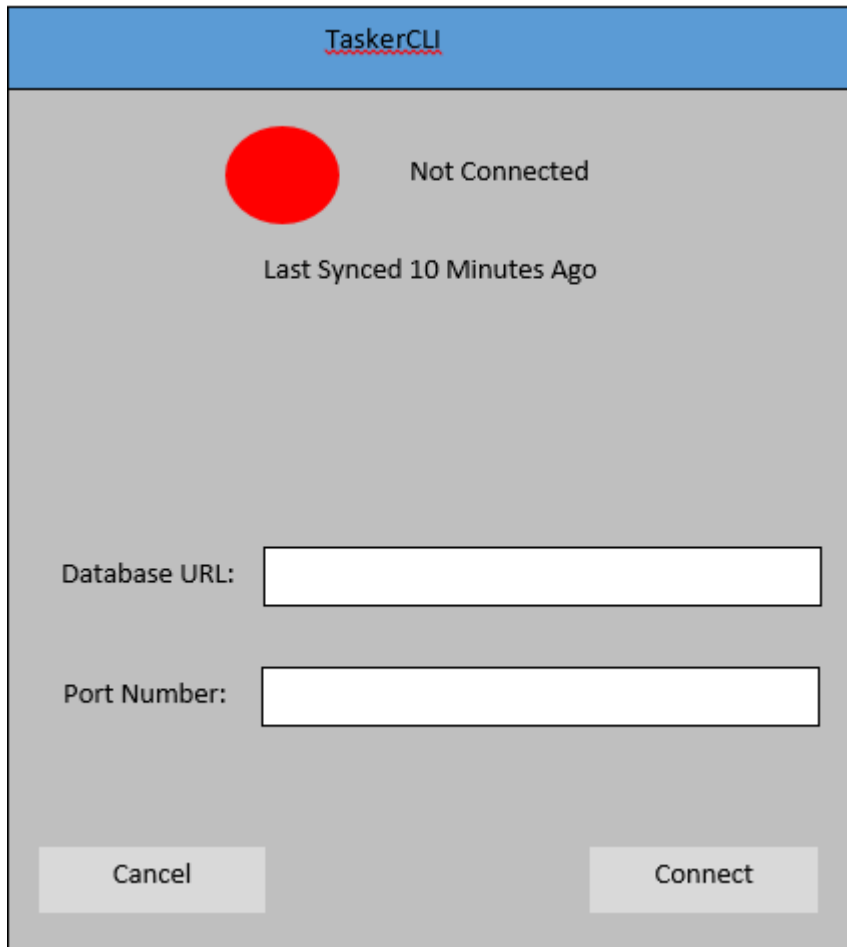
Start Date: 21/10/2015

Expected End Date: 25/10/2015

Task Elements:

- The 'Edit Task' window is populated with the data of the task that was in the 'Quick View' panel on the 'Main' window when it was opened.
- The attributes of completion status and task elements are editable from this window.
- The completion status can be selected from a dropdown list. The default value is 'Assigned.'
- The task elements can be changed by typing into the Task Elements textbox.
 - A scrollbar will only appear if the text entry exceeds the size of the textbox.
- When the Save button is clicked, the 'Edit Task' window is closed and the task attributes are updated with their new values.
- Choosing Cancel simply closes the window with no changes.

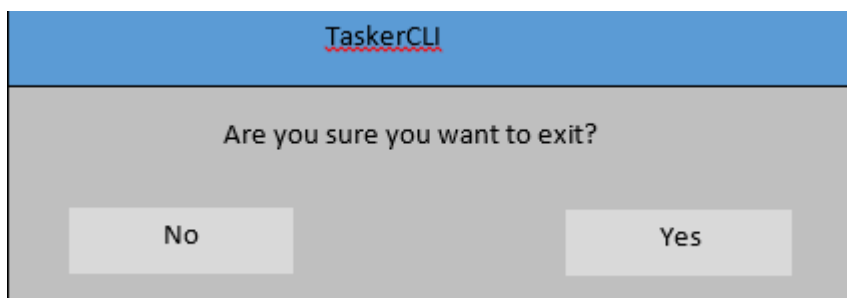
3.2.4 Connection Settings Window



The image shows a window titled "TaskerCLI" with a blue header bar. The main area has a grey background. At the top, there is a red circle and the text "Not Connected". Below this, it says "Last Synced 10 Minutes Ago". There are two input fields: "Database URL:" and "Port Number:". At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Connect".

- The connection status text at the top of the window shows the current connection state of *TaskerCLI*.
 - The coloured circle is red when there is no connection established to *TaskerSRV*.
 - Consequently the coloured circle appears green when a connection is successfully established.
 - The time since last sync shows how much time has passed since the last synchronisation.
 - In this design, *TaskerCLI* is not connected to *TaskerSRV* and it has been 10 minutes since the last successful synchronisation.
- The Database URL and Port Number are entered into the respective fields to provide information for connecting to the *TaskerSRV* database.
- Choosing 'Cancel' simply closes the window without saving any information.
- Choosing 'Connect' will instruct *TaskerCLI* to attempt to connect using the information provided.
- Default window controls and clicking outside of the window are disabled to prevent the user from opening multiple instances of this window and attempting to cause simultaneous connections to be established.

3.2.5 Exit Confirmation Window



The image shows a window titled "TaskerCLI" with a blue header bar. The main area has a grey background. It displays the text "Are you sure you want to exit?". At the bottom, there are two buttons: "No" and "Yes".

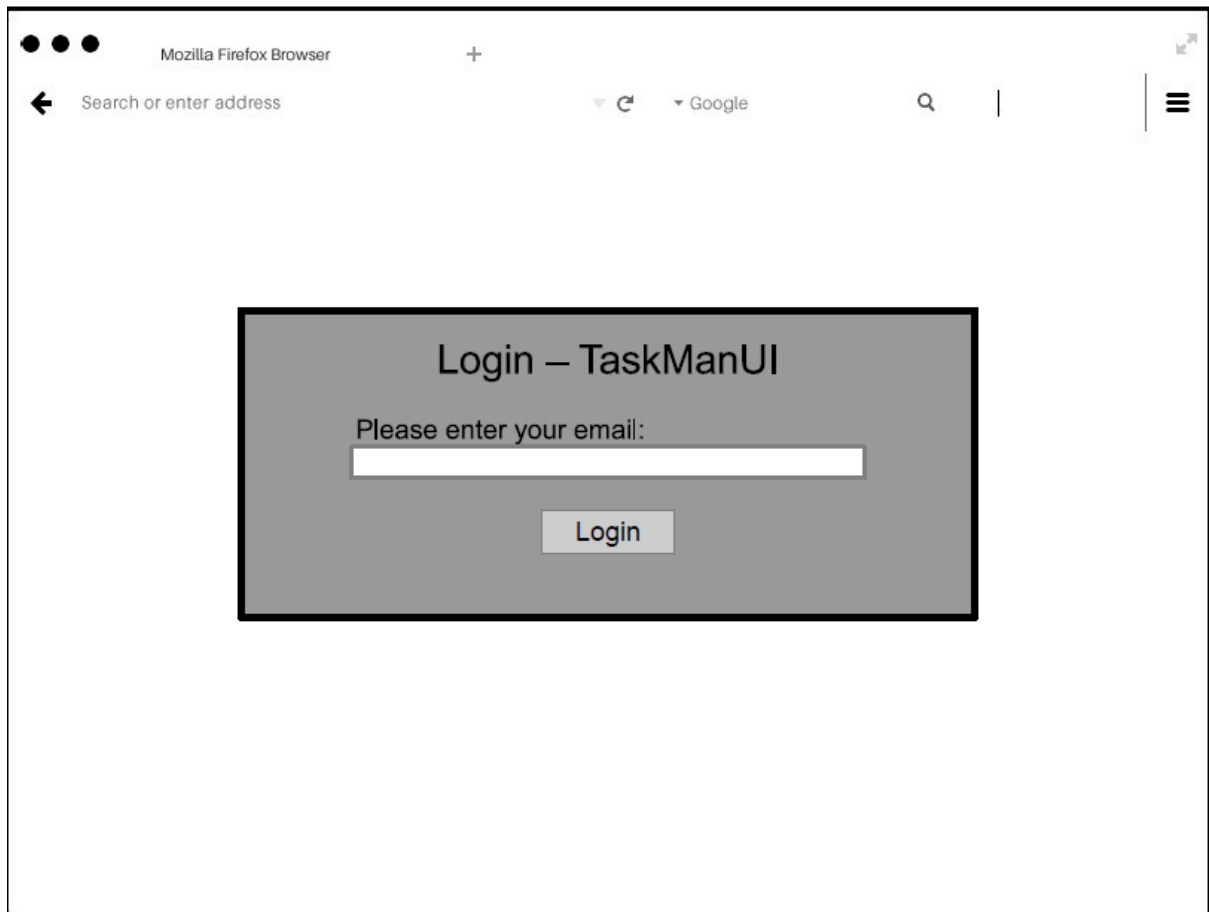
- If 'No' is selected, the window is closed and the user regains control of the window they were previously using.
- If 'Yes' is selected, *TaskerCLI* closes.
- Default window controls are disabled to make it clear to the user that their attention is required and that a decision must be made.
- Clicking away from the window to bring another window into focus is also disabled, to stop the user spawning multiple instances of the 'Exit Confirmation' window.

3.3 User Interface Design - TaskerMAN

3.3.1 General Notes

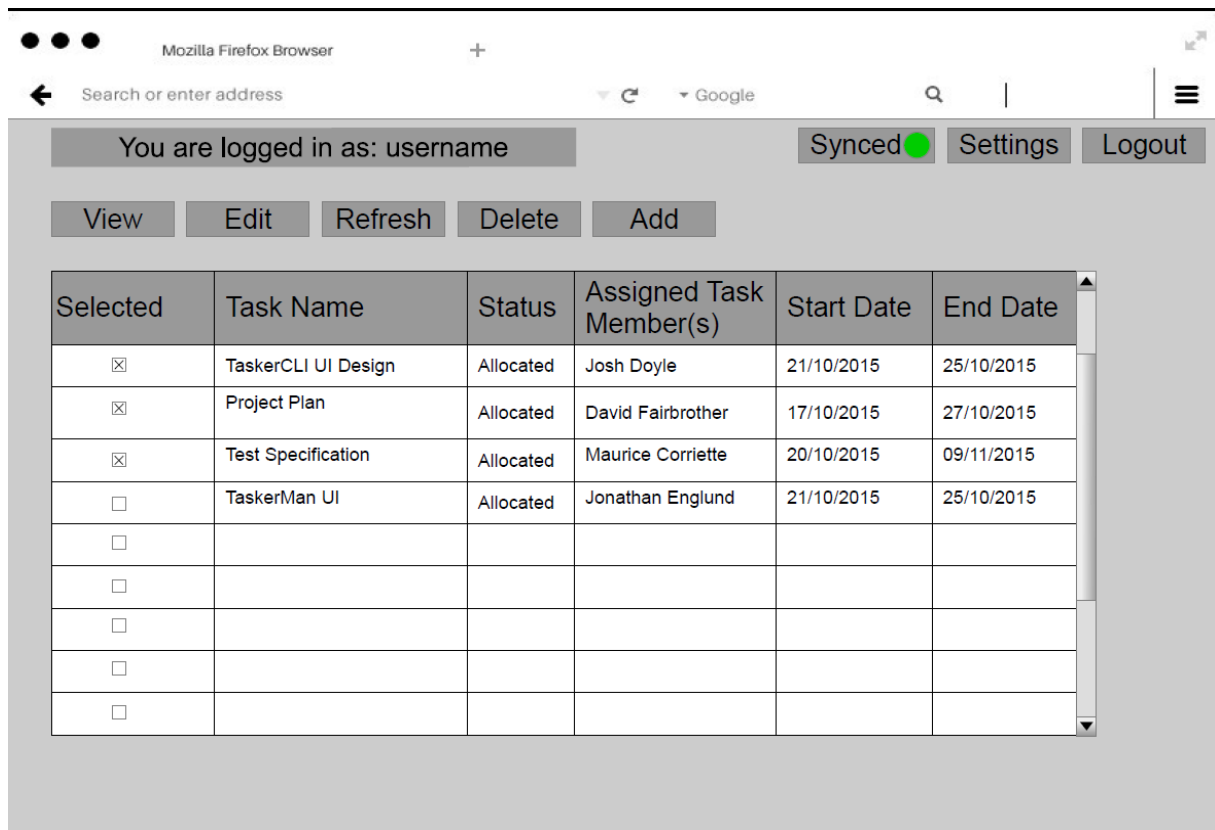
Mozilla Firefox is used as an example web browser in the following images. [6]

3.3.2 Login Page



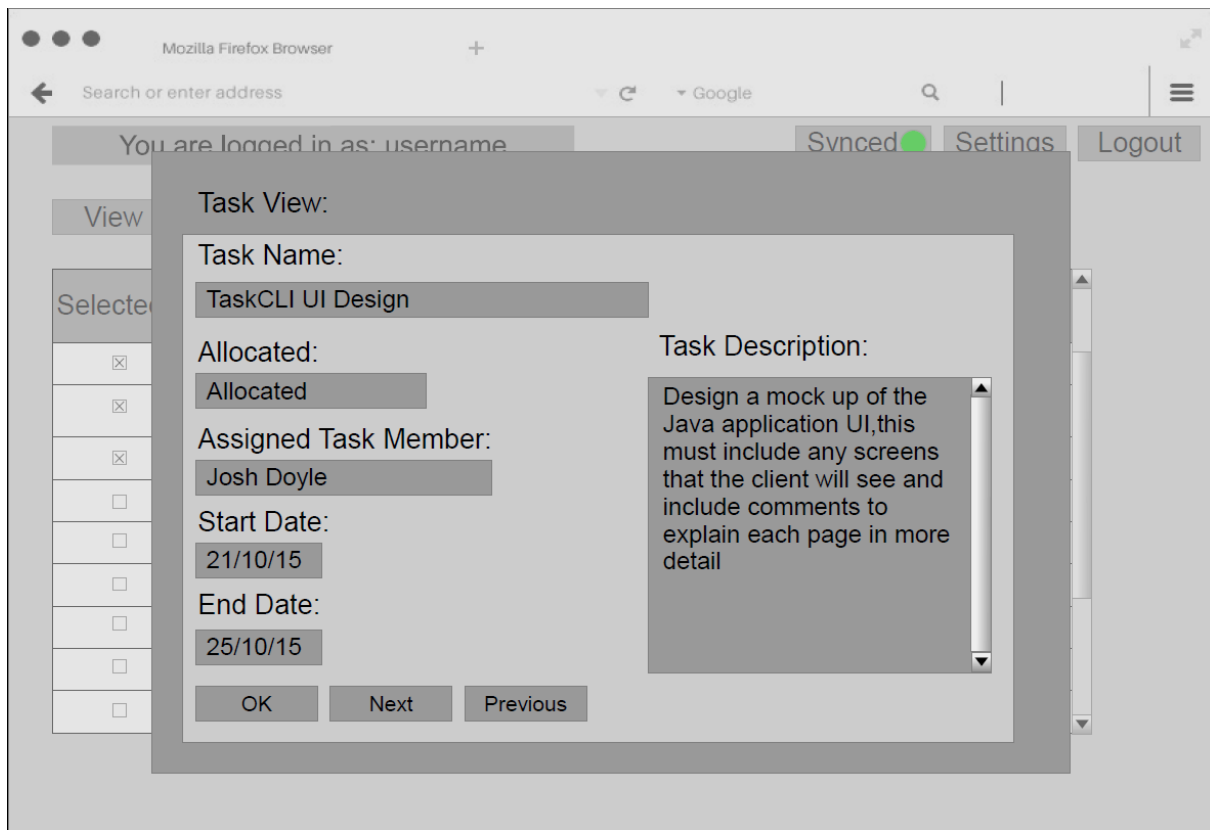
- If a valid email address is entered, the user will be directed to the main page – otherwise access is prohibited, as is required. [5]

3.3.3 Main Page



- Displays user's email address at the top of the page, indicating who is currently logged in.
- The 'Logout' button displays the 'Log Out Prompt', and directs the user to the 'Logout Successful' screen upon successful logging out.
- The 'Synced' button will show a green dot if currently synchronised with *TaskerSRV*. Red if not.
- The 'Settings' button will bring up the 'Connection Setting' screen.
- All information shown in the database table and tasks can be selected and edited in bulk.
- Buttons at the top provide functionality for viewing, adding, editing and deleting of tasks, or refreshing the table.

3.3.4 View Task Overlay



- Displays selected task. 'Next' and 'Previous' allow the browsing of other entries.
- Read-only

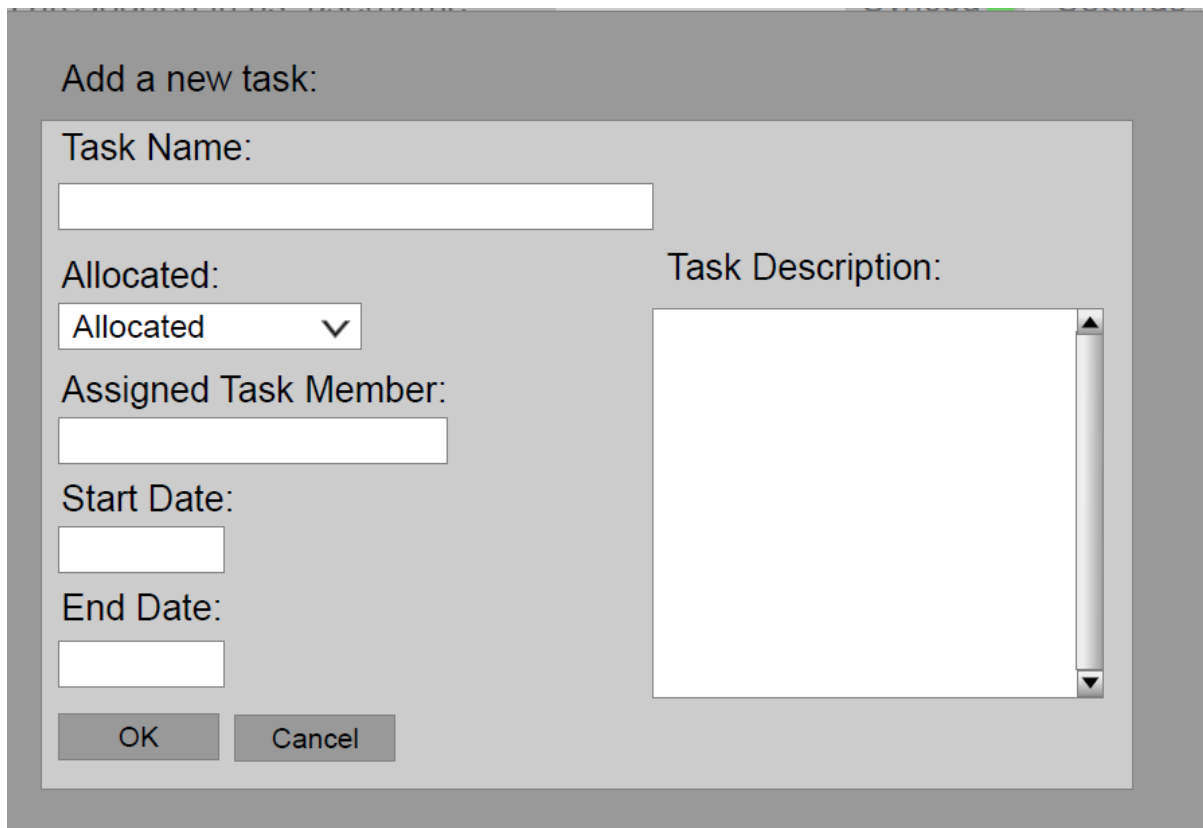
3.3.5 Edit Task Overlay

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying a web application. The browser's address bar shows 'Search or enter address' and 'Google'. The web application has a header with 'You are logged in as: username', 'Synced' (with a green dot), 'Settings', and 'Logout'. On the left, there is a sidebar with 'View' and 'Selected' sections. The main content area is partially obscured by a modal titled 'Edit a new task:'. The modal contains the following fields and controls:

- Task Name:** A text input field containing 'TaskCLI UI Design'.
- Allocated:** A dropdown menu with 'Allocated' selected.
- Assigned Task Member:** A text input field containing 'Josh Doyle'.
- Start Date:** A date input field containing '21/10/15'.
- End Date:** A date input field containing '25/10/15'.
- Task Description:** A text area containing the text: 'Design a mock up of the Java application UI, this must include any screens that the client will see and include comments to explain each page in more detail'.
- Buttons:** 'OK', 'Next', 'Previous', and 'Cancel'.

- By selecting one or more tasks, the 'Edit Task' overlay appears where details can be changed. Clicking 'OK' will save these changes. 'Next' and 'Previous' allow the navigation through other entries.
 - Next/Previous do not appear if the user has only selected one task.
- The database will be updated after each edit, so one task can be modified before cancelling.

3.3.6 Add Task Overlay



The image shows a software overlay window titled "Add a new task:". The window has a light gray background and a darker gray border. Inside, there are several input fields and a large text area. The "Task Name:" field is a single-line text box. The "Allocated:" field is a dropdown menu currently showing "Allocated" with a downward arrow. The "Assigned Task Member:" field is a single-line text box. The "Start Date:" and "End Date:" fields are single-line text boxes. The "Task Description:" field is a large multi-line text area with a vertical scrollbar on the right. At the bottom left, there are two buttons: "OK" and "Cancel".

Add a new task:

Task Name:

Allocated:

Assigned Task Member:

Start Date:

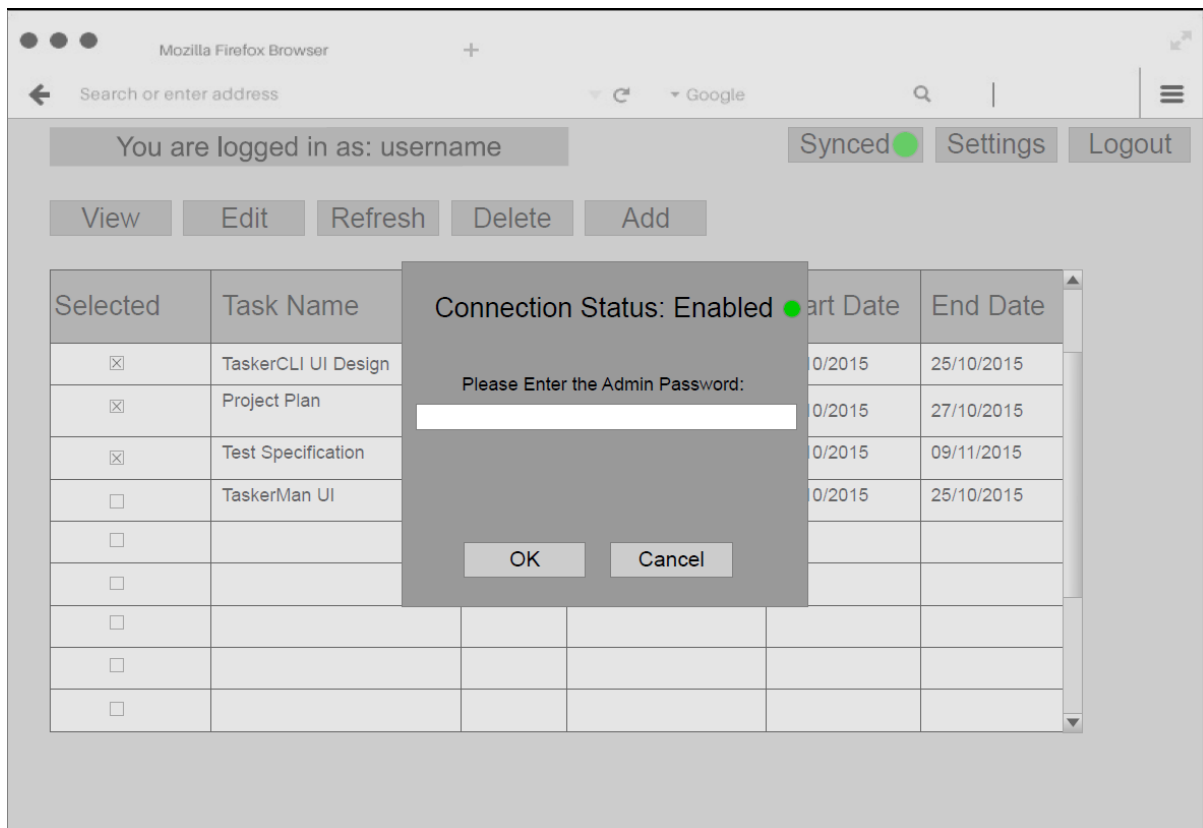
End Date:

Task Description:

OK Cancel

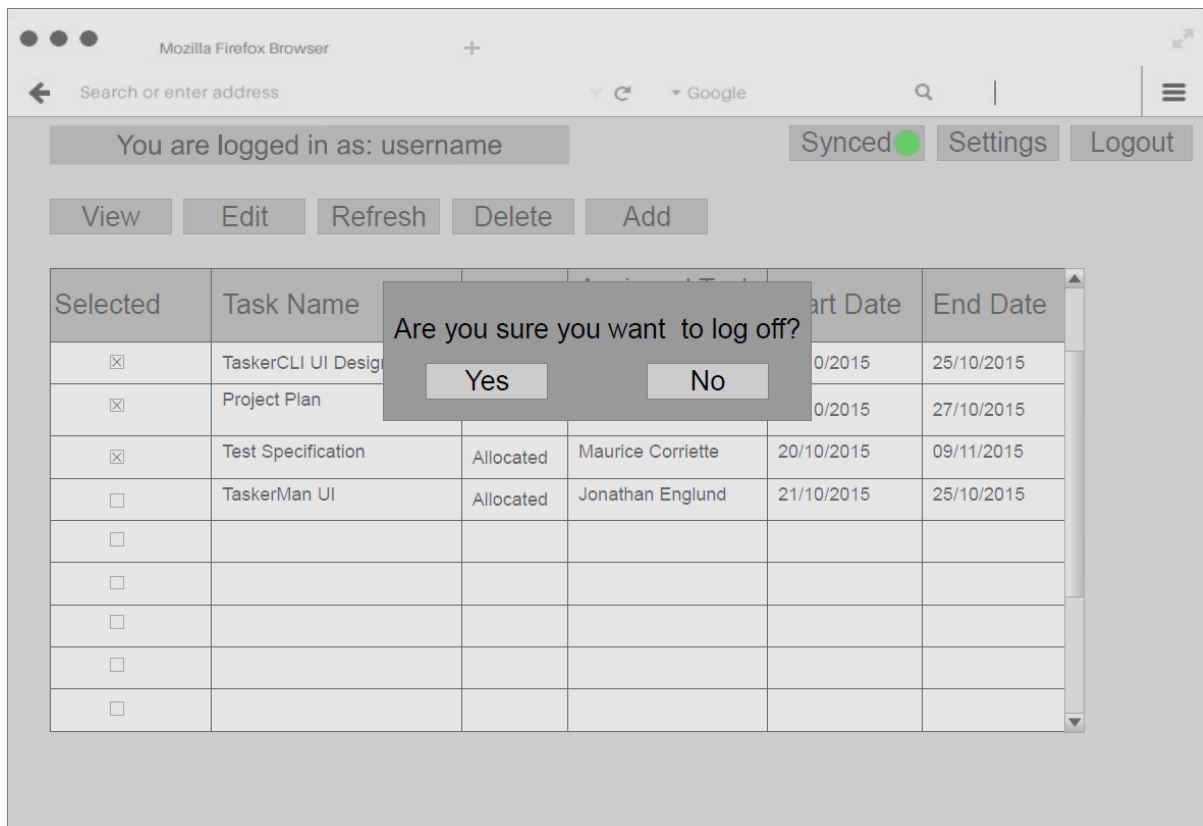
- In visual likeness to the 'View Task' screen, except blank where information can be inserted.
- Validation will be used to ensure only correct/meaningful data can be entered.

3.3.7 Connection Setting Screen



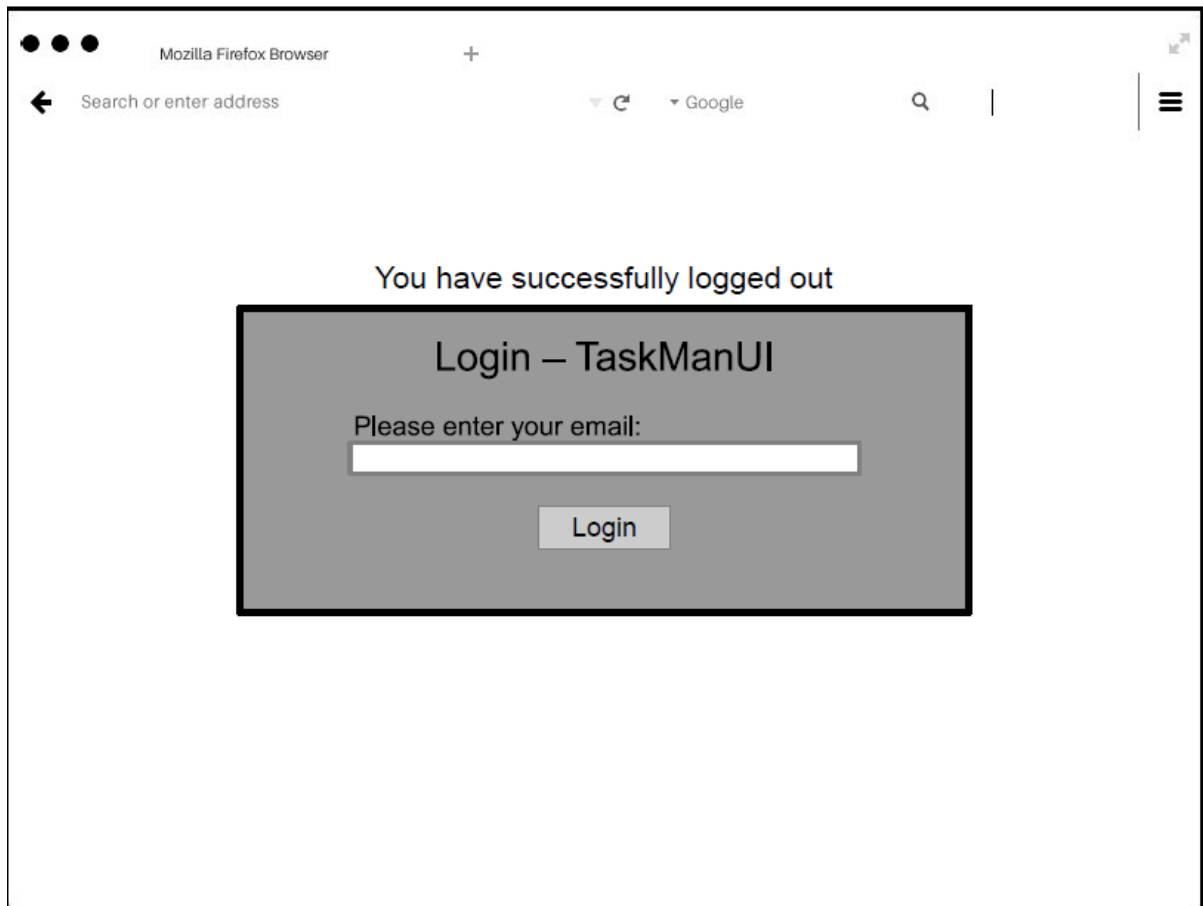
- Shows current synchronisation/connection status to *TaskerSRV*.
- Connection settings can be modified, but as this is a web based client, it is hidden behind an administration password wall and can be only modified by administrators.

3.3.8 Log Out Prompt



- Prompts the user whether or not they wish to logoff. Choosing 'No' returns the user to the 'Main Page' screen. Choosing 'Yes' directs the user to the 'Logout Successful' screen.
- The user cannot dismiss this prompt by clicking outside of its boundaries.

3.3.9 Logout Successful



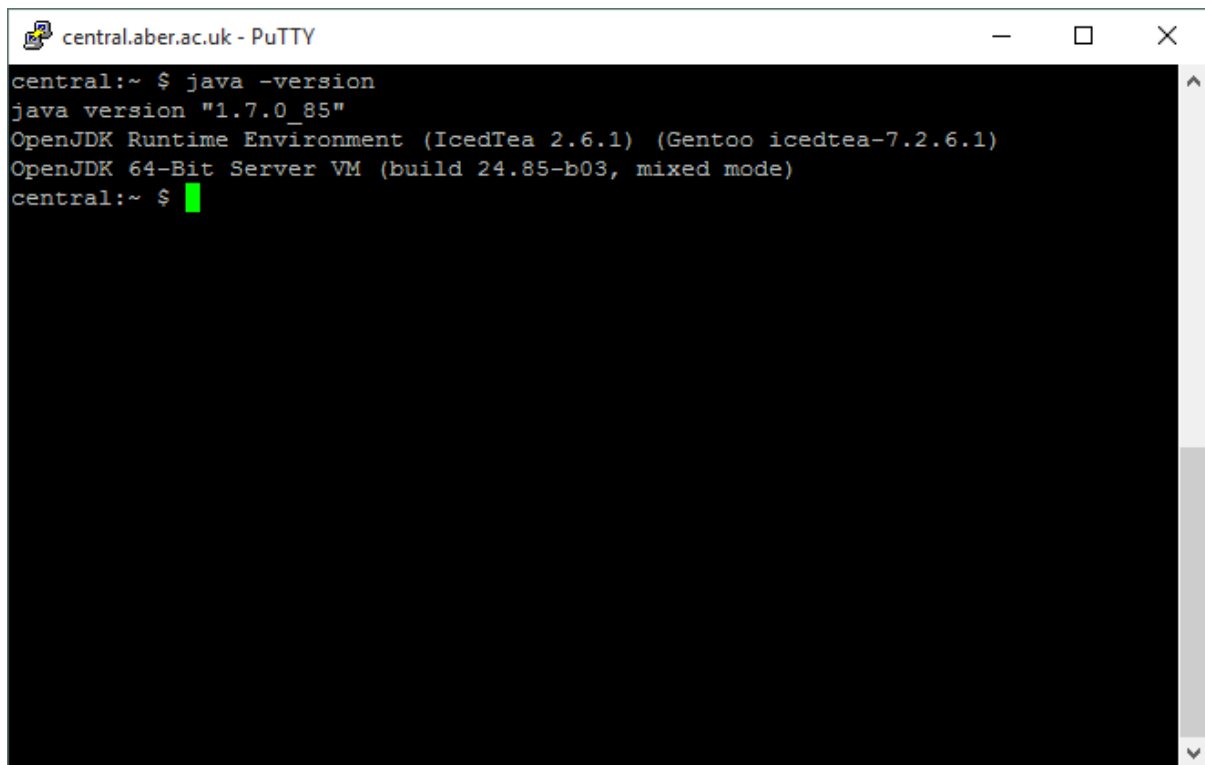
- User has been successfully logged out and is informed that they must login again to use the system.

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APPENDICES

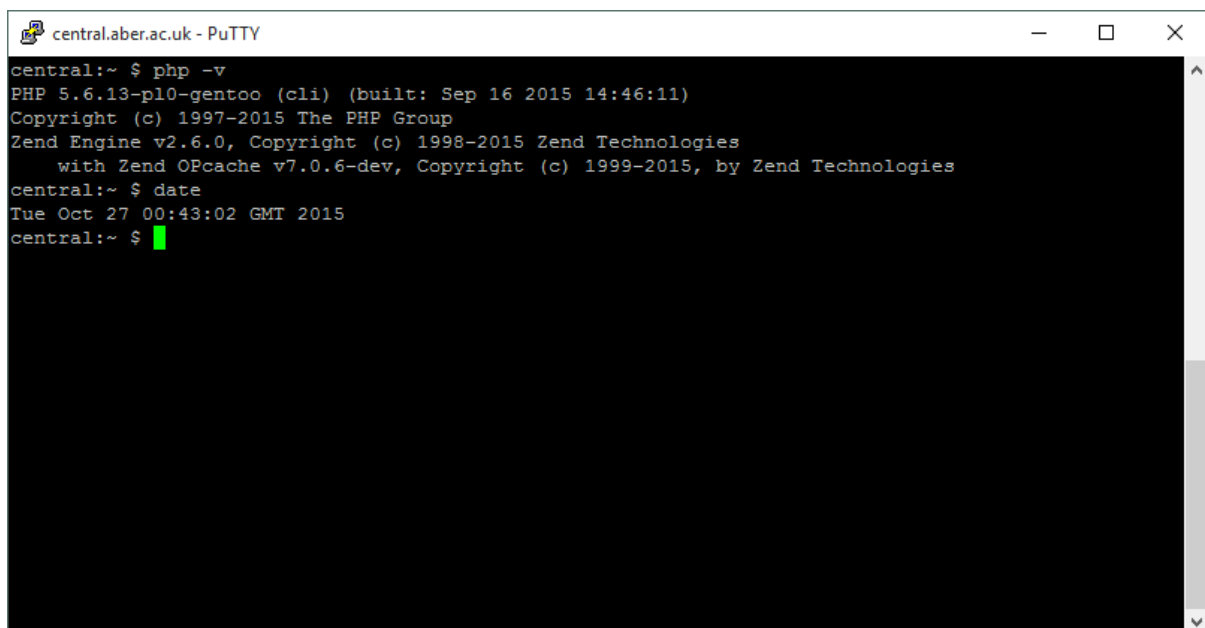
APPENDIX A – Java Version



A screenshot of a PuTTY terminal window titled 'central.aber.ac.uk - PuTTY'. The terminal shows the output of the 'java -version' command. The text is as follows:

```
central:~ $ java -version
java version "1.7.0_85"
OpenJDK Runtime Environment (IcedTea 2.6.1) (Gentoo icedtea-7.2.6.1)
OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM (build 24.85-b03, mixed mode)
central:~ $
```

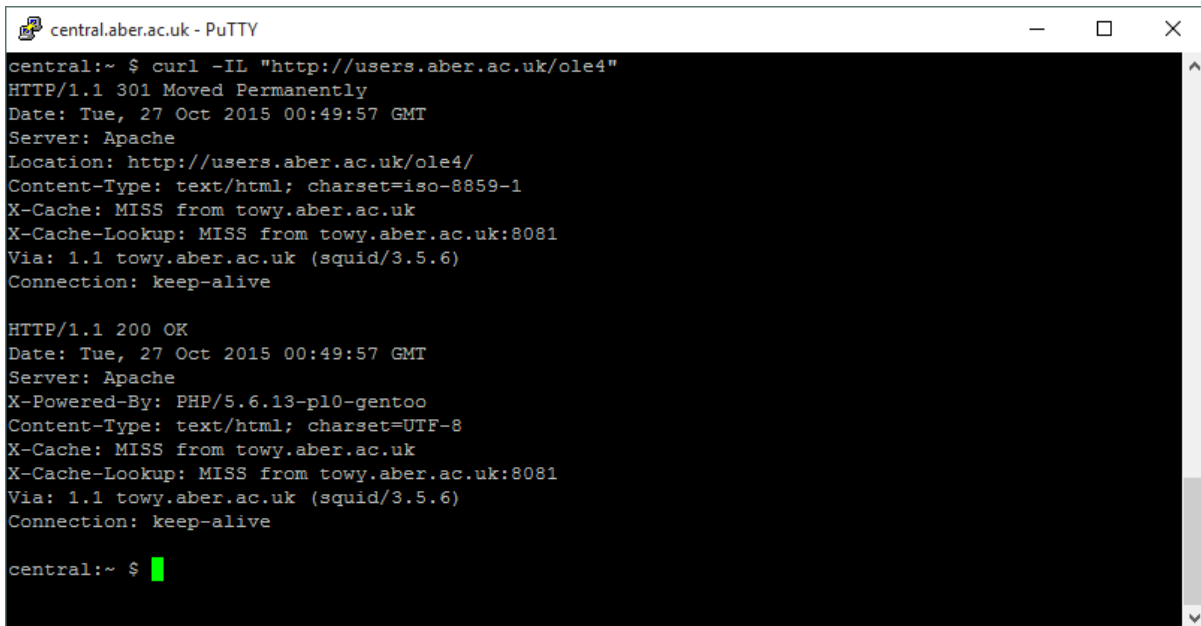
APPENDIX B – PHP Version



A screenshot of a PuTTY terminal window titled 'central.aber.ac.uk - PuTTY'. The terminal shows the output of the 'php -v' and 'date' commands. The text is as follows:

```
central:~ $ php -v
PHP 5.6.13-pl0-gentoo (cli) (built: Sep 16 2015 14:46:11)
Copyright (c) 1997-2015 The PHP Group
Zend Engine v2.6.0, Copyright (c) 1998-2015 Zend Technologies
    with Zend OPcache v7.0.6-dev, Copyright (c) 1999-2015, by Zend Technologies
central:~ $ date
Tue Oct 27 00:43:02 GMT 2015
central:~ $
```

APPENDIX C – Apache Information

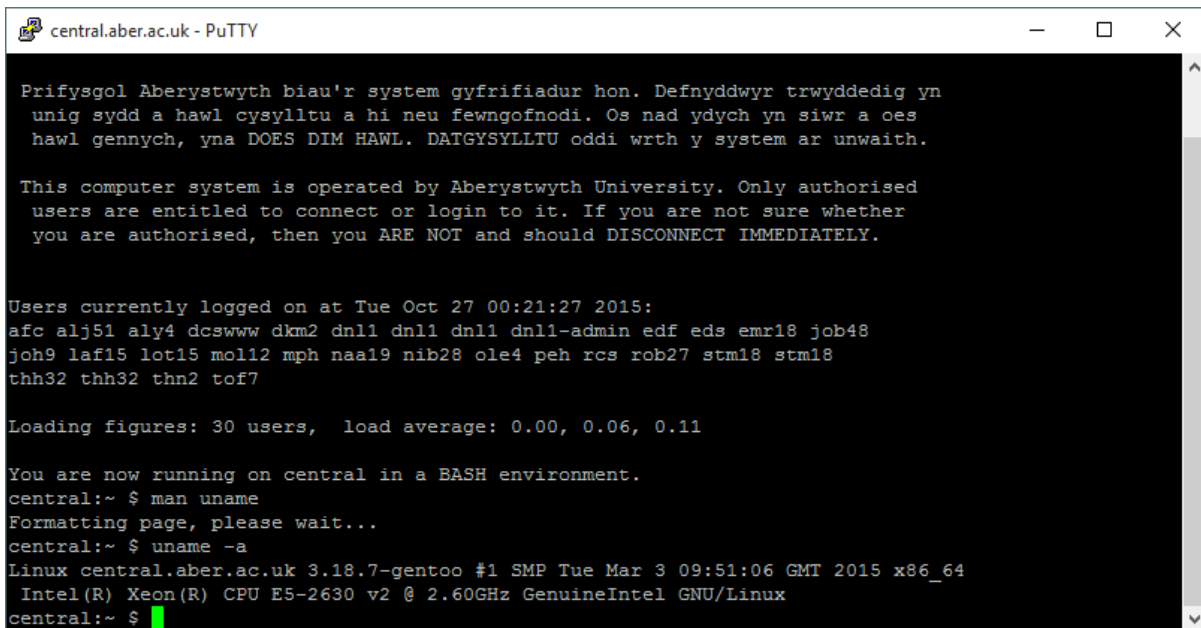


```
central.aber.ac.uk - PuTTY
central:~ $ curl -IL "http://users.aber.ac.uk/ole4"
HTTP/1.1 301 Moved Permanently
Date: Tue, 27 Oct 2015 00:49:57 GMT
Server: Apache
Location: http://users.aber.ac.uk/ole4/
Content-Type: text/html; charset=iso-8859-1
X-Cache: MISS from towy.aber.ac.uk
X-Cache-Lookup: MISS from towy.aber.ac.uk:8081
Via: 1.1 towy.aber.ac.uk (squid/3.5.6)
Connection: keep-alive

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Tue, 27 Oct 2015 00:49:57 GMT
Server: Apache
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.6.13-pl0-gentoo
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
X-Cache: MISS from towy.aber.ac.uk
X-Cache-Lookup: MISS from towy.aber.ac.uk:8081
Via: 1.1 towy.aber.ac.uk (squid/3.5.6)
Connection: keep-alive

central:~ $
```

APPENDIX D – Linux information



```
central.aber.ac.uk - PuTTY

Prifysgol Aberystwyth biau'r system gyfrifiadur hon. Defnyddwyr trwyddedig yn
unig sydd a hawl cysylltu a hi neu fewngofnodi. Os nad ydych yn siwr a oes
hawl gennych, yna DOES DIM HAWL. DATGYSYLLTU oddi wrth y system ar unwaith.

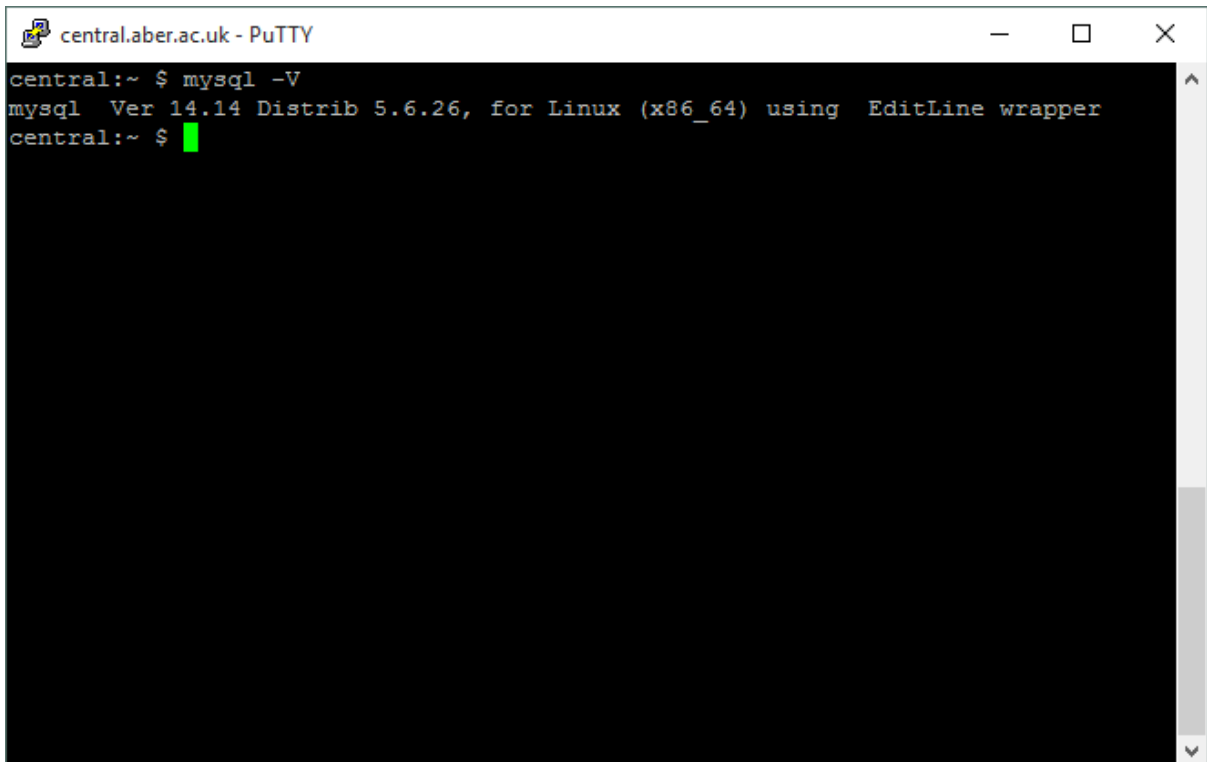
This computer system is operated by Aberystwyth University. Only authorised
users are entitled to connect or login to it. If you are not sure whether
you are authorised, then you ARE NOT and should DISCONNECT IMMEDIATELY.

Users currently logged on at Tue Oct 27 00:21:27 2015:
afc alj51 aly4 dcswww dkm2 dn11 dn11 dn11 dn11-admin edf eds emr18 job48
joh9 laf15 lot15 mol12 mph naa19 nib28 ole4 peh rcs rob27 stm18 stm18
thh32 thh32 thn2 tof7

Loading figures: 30 users,  load average: 0.00, 0.06, 0.11

You are now running on central in a BASH environment.
central:~ $ man uname
Formatting page, please wait...
central:~ $ uname -a
Linux central.aber.ac.uk 3.18.7-gentoo #1 SMP Tue Mar 3 09:51:06 GMT 2015 x86_64
Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-2630 v2 @ 2.60GHz GenuineIntel GNU/Linux
central:~ $
```

APPENDIX E – MySQL Version



The image shows a PuTTY terminal window titled "central.aber.ac.uk - PuTTY". The terminal output shows the command `mysql -V` being executed, resulting in the output: `mysql Ver 14.14 Distrib 5.6.26, for Linux (x86_64) using EditLine wrapper`. The prompt `central:~ $` is visible on the line below the output.

```
central.aber.ac.uk - PuTTY
central:~ $ mysql -V
mysql Ver 14.14 Distrib 5.6.26, for Linux (x86_64) using EditLine wrapper
central:~ $
```

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