

## Frog Clock

-- A Combination of Pomodoro Clock & Task Tracker

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#### Introduction

- Problem Description:
  - Maintaining Focus & Efficient Multi-tasking
  - Common issues among the young generation
  - Mobile devices & social media "steal" our concentration
    - Using Facebook during homework lowers GPA <sup>1</sup>
- Our Idea:
  - Timer & Task Tracker using JavaFx
  - Desktop Application
  - Enhance Focus & Task Efficiency



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Junco, R., & Cotten, S. R. (2012). No A 4 U: The relationship between multitasking and academic performance. Computers & Education, 59(2), 505-514.

# **Analysis**

- Pomodoro Technique<sup>2</sup>
  - > Pomodoro: Italian word for *Tomato*
  - Worked as a kitchen timer
  - Typically 25-minute work intervals with short breaks
- Gamification (Reward System)
  - Visualize statistics
  - > Earn virtual currency & rewards
  - > Enhances motivation to finish tasks<sup>3</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pomodoro\_Technique</u>

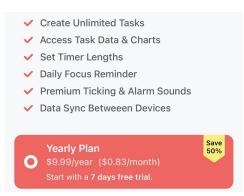
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Browne, R., Raeside, L., & Gray, G. (2018, October). Gamification in education: productivity and motivation through gamified time management software. In European Conference on Games Based Learning (pp. 867-871). Academic Conferences International Limited.

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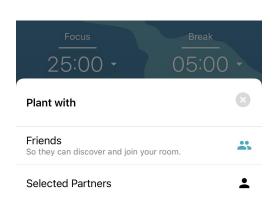
- Existing Applications
  - Limited integrated: no task tracker or rewards system
  - Many are not free
  - Social features: leading to fragmented attention







Membership Cost



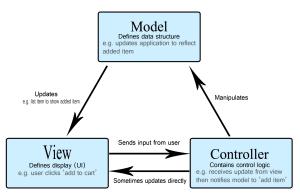
Distracting Social Features

## System Design



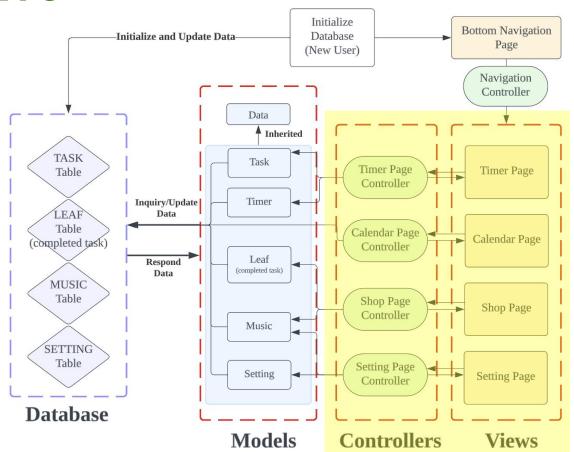
- Features of Our Application:
  - Task Management: Task CRUD
  - > Timer Creation: Start a Pomodoro timer for a task
  - Customize Timer: Modify session and break intervals
  - > Statistics View: Track daily progress
  - > Shop System: Earn "tokens" to purchase BGM
  - Media Preferences: Adjust session end reminders and switch BGM

System Design - MVC

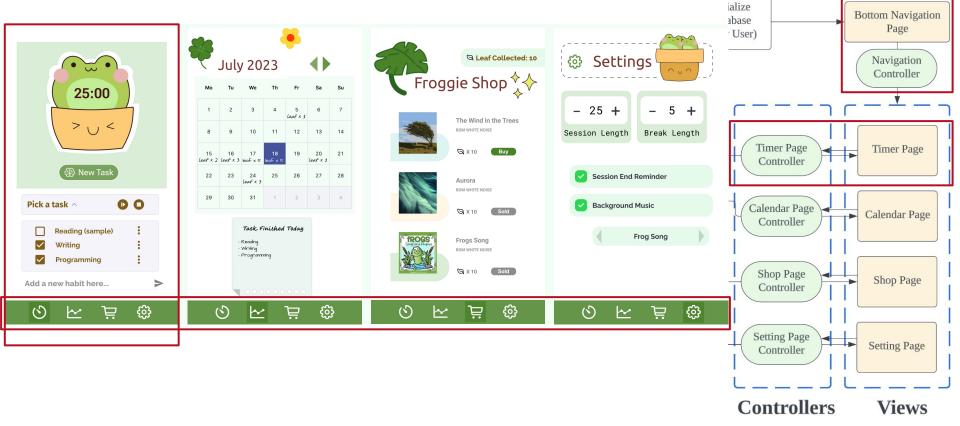


#### Follow the MVC Pattern:

- Views: Define layout and design
- Controllers: Connect views with the models
- Models: Manage data



# System Design - View & Controller



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Pop-up windows

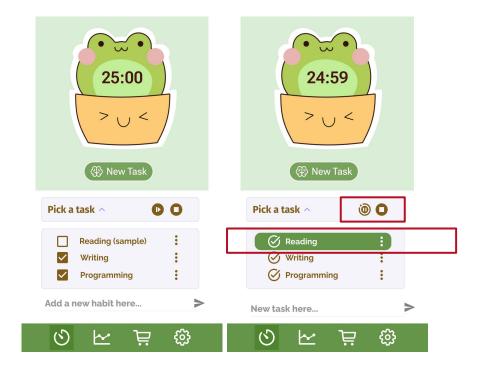


Alert

Sorry, you don't have enough leaves.

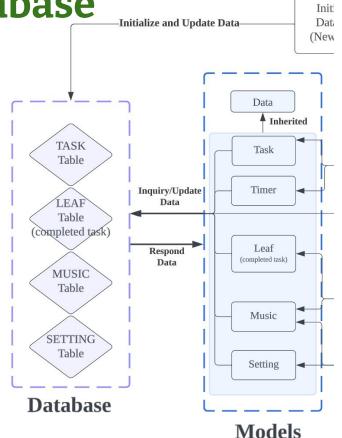
Please keep up the good work!

State-based dynamic views



System Design - Models & Database

- SQLite database + JDBC API
- 4 Tables:
  - Task: To-do list tracker
  - Leaf: Completed task records
  - Music: Media data
  - Setting: Configuration data



# **Implementation - Timer Page**



#### **Evaluation**



#### User Feedback

- Delightful desktop application that can help users to focus.
- Showing clear staticas to trace everydays's progress.
- > Rewarding system to encourage staying focus.
- > Flexible Setting to provide custom experience.
- Improve Suggestions
  - ➤ New Task should go to the top.
  - Edit should pre-populate the existing item name.
  - Completed item shouldn't start timer.

#### **Discussion and Reflection**

## Programmers are LAZY~



#### Abstract common patterns and reuse them

- Abstract classes and interfaces help to finish common tasks.
- Lack of notice might result in multiple effort to finish same task.
- Great inheritance structure make it easier for testing, deguging and maintenance.

#### Good teamwork contributes to success

- Breaking down a coding project into smaller and manageable tasks helps us to focus on one problem at a time.
- Cross testing can provide us with fresh opinions when finding bugs.
- Adequate communications are necessary, escaipally when we are modifying one file at the same time.

#### **Future Work**

- Provide users with more sophisticated visual reports and statistics to help users build habits.
- Allow users to choose local music as background music.
- Transplant the program to the web and mobile platforms to provide users with consistent experience and data synchronization services.



## **Job Assignments**

- Zhe Cao:
  - Ul Design
  - > Timer Management
  - Calendar Page View and Controller
- Simiao Wang
  - Sound Management
  - Shop Page View and Controller
  - Database Schema Design
- Wenyu Yang
  - Navigation Management
  - > Task Management
  - > Setting Page View and Controller