Tasks-O-Matic

Re-Design: Database

Section 1: Database Technology

Technology: Relational Database

The Tasks-O-Matic will allow users to make groups of tasks items. These tasks items can be reused in multiple groups. To do this, the project MVP will use a Relational database (Postgres) with a Many-to-Many relation between four tables.

- Users
- Groups
- Task Groups
- Task Items

This project will persist data in a relational data store because:

- A user can be assigned infinite Task Groups.
- Task items can be reused in infinite Task Groups.
- Task Groups table's task_id (FK) columns will change often.
- Data changes will cascade to the Task Groups table from other tables.

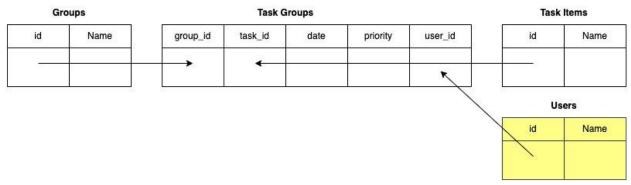
Each Task Group can have a User related to it. A user can be related to infinite Groups, so the relation will be One- to-Many.

Each Task Group will have a single-use Group related to it, so Group to Task Groups will be One-to-One. Task Groups will take group_id as a foreign key.

Each Task Group will have infinite related Task Items, so Task Items to Task Groups will be One-to-Many. Task Groups will take task_id as a foreign key.

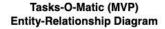
Task Groups will serve as a Many-to-Many relational data bridge between Groups to Task Items. The Bridge table will store common data from both tables and will be updated as data from either table change.

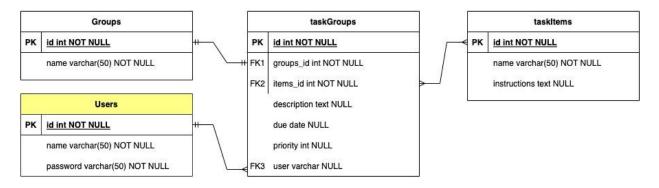
Many-to-Many



Section 2: Data Structure

The Tasks-O-Matic (MVP) will use the following data structure:





Section 3: Data Use

The Tasks-O-Matic will follow the Third Normal Form. The Users table will authenticate user login credentials. The taskGroup table will take foreign keys user_id (Users table), group_id (Groups table), and items_id (taskItems table). To avoid redundancy, taskGroups will reject redundant unique key (FK1, FK2) entries.

Persona Example Table Use:

Sarah Manager

Users: Sarah will create a user account to login to the application.

Groups: Sarah will create several groups for employees by area of responsibility.

taskItems: Sarah will create a list of tasks to be completed.

taskGroups: Sarah will assign the individual tasks to the appropriate Groups.

Sarah will add a user to the taskGroup.

Sarah will view a report based on taskGroups' data.