

Coding Challenge: Deep Work Session Tracker

Objective [🔗](#)

Design and build a **Deep Work Session Tracker** system that allows users to plan, start, pause, resume, and complete focused work sessions. The system must log session activity, track interruptions, and provide summaries for productivity reflection.

The system should include:

- A **FastAPI backend** with an **SQLite database**
- A **ReactJS frontend** to interact with the API
- A **Python SDK**, generated using **OpenAPI Generator CLI**
- Automation scripts (`setupdev.bat` , `runapplication.bat`)

Tasks & Requirements [🔗](#)


1. Backend Development (FastAPI & SQLite) [🔗](#)

Implement the following endpoints:

1. **POST /sessions/** → Schedule a new work session (title, duration in minutes, goal).
2. **PATCH /sessions/{session_id}/start** → Start the session.
3. **PATCH /sessions/{session_id}/pause** → Pause the session (log the interruption reason).
4. **PATCH /sessions/{session_id}/resume** → Resume a paused session.
5. **PATCH /sessions/{session_id}/complete** → Mark session as completed (store completion time).
6. **GET /sessions/history** → Get a summary of past sessions with durations, pauses, and completion ratio.

Trick Logic in Backend (Hidden Complexity) [🔗](#)

- A session can only be paused if it's currently active.
- If the user **pauses more than 3 times**, mark the session as "interrupted".
- A session must be completed within **10% of its original duration**, otherwise it's "overdue".
- If a session was never resumed after a pause, it should be marked as "abandoned".
- The system should store **pause reasons** (e.g., phone call, Slack, distraction).

 Examples:

- ✅ Session A: 50 minutes, paused 2× → status: completed
- ❌ Session B: paused 4× → status: interrupted
- ❌ Session C: not resumed after pause → status: abandoned
- ✅ Session D: completed 60 minutes after 50-minute duration → status: overdue

2. Database Schema (SQLite) [🔗](#)

```
1 CREATE TABLE sessions (  
2     id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,  
3     title TEXT NOT NULL,  
4     goal TEXT,  
5     scheduled_duration INTEGER NOT NULL, -- in minutes
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6      start_time TIMESTAMP,
7      end_time TIMESTAMP,
8      status TEXT CHECK (status IN ('scheduled', 'active', 'paused', 'completed', 'interrupted', 'abandoned',
'overdue')) DEFAULT 'scheduled',
9      created_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
10 );
11 CREATE TABLE interruptions (
12     id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
13     session_id INTEGER NOT NULL,
14     reason TEXT NOT NULL,
15     pause_time TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
16     FOREIGN KEY (session_id) REFERENCES sessions(id) ON DELETE CASCADE
17 );
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```

- Use **Alembic** for schema migrations
- Include a sample SQL (`seed_data.sql`) with pre-scheduled and completed sessions

3. Frontend (ReactJS) [🔗](#)

Your frontend should allow users to:

1. **Schedule a session** (enter title, goal, and duration)
2. **Start, pause, resume, and complete** a session
3. **Enter reason when pausing**
4. **View session history**, including status and stats
5. **(Bonus)** Timer countdown while active

Use **Axios** to call the API.

Minimal design is fine — usability is the focus.

4. Python SDK (OpenAPI Generator) [🔗](#)

Generate a Python SDK:

```

1 openapi-generator-cli generate -i http://localhost:8000/openapi.json -g python -o deepwork_sdk
2

```

Sample Usage: [🔗](#)

```

1 from deepwork_sdk.api.sessions_api import SessionsApi
2 from deepwork_sdk import ApiClient
3 client = ApiClient()
4 api = SessionsApi(client)
5 # Schedule a session
6 api.create_session(title="Write project doc", goal="Finish outline", scheduled_duration=45)
7

```

Write a **sample script** using the SDK.

5. Setup Script (`setupdev.bat`) [🔗](#)

```

1 @echo off
2 echo Setting up backend...

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3 python -m venv env
4 call env\Scripts\activate
5 pip install -r requirements.txt
6 alembic upgrade head
7 echo Setting up frontend...
8 cd frontend
9 npm install
10 cd ..
11
```

6. Run Script (`runapplication.bat`) [🔗](#)

```
1 @echo off
2 echo Starting backend...
3 call env\Scripts\activate
4 python main.py
5 echo Starting frontend...
6 cd frontend
7 npm start
8
```

Evaluation Criteria [🔗](#)

- ✅ Session state transitions handled correctly
- ✅ Robust validation (e.g., cannot pause before starting)
- ✅ Summary history reflects accurate status
- ✅ SDK works with sample script
- ✅ Clean frontend UX for managing sessions
- ✅ Setup scripts run smoothly
- ✅ README with instructions and insights
- ✅ Unit tests for session and interruption logic

Deliverables [🔗](#)

- FastAPI backend
- SQLite DB & Alembic migrations
- ReactJS frontend
- Python SDK
- Sample Python script
- Setup and run scripts
- Unit tests
- README

💡 Bonus Features [🔗](#)

- Real-time session timer
- Weekly productivity reports
- CSV export of sessions

- “Focus score” based on interruption ratio

Good luck!