



Mid Exam Report

Distributed and Parallel System
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1. Project Overview

Application Description

Task Manager Pro is a full-stack web application that allows users to manage their daily tasks efficiently. The application consists of:

- **Frontend:** React.js application with modern UI/UX
- **Backend:** Node.js Express API with RESTful endpoints
- **Database:** MongoDB for data persistence
- **Containerization:** Docker and Docker Compose for deployment

Key Features

- Add new tasks
- Mark tasks as complete/incomplete
- Delete tasks
- Filter tasks (All, Active, Completed)
- Real-time task statistics
- Responsive design
- Health check endpoints

2. Technology Stack

Frontend

- **Framework:** React.js 18.2.0
- **Build Tool:** Vite 4.4.5
- **HTTP Client:** Axios 1.6.0
- **Styling:** Custom CSS with modern design

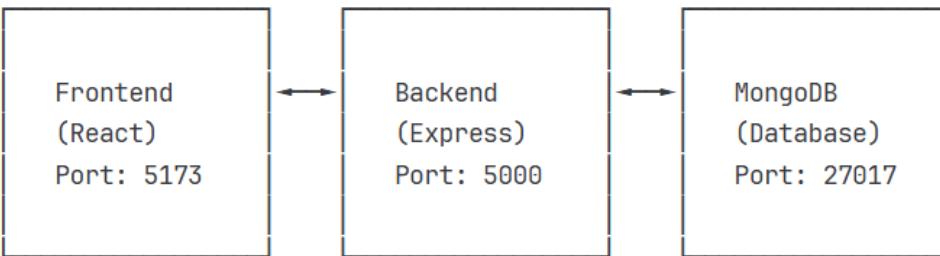
Backend

- **Runtime:** Node.js 18
- **Framework:** Express.js 4.18.2
- **Database:** MongoDB with Mongoose ODM
- **Additional:** CORS, dotenv for environment variables

Containerization

- **Container Platform:** Docker
- **Orchestration:** Docker Compose
- **Base Images:** Node.js 18 Alpine, MongoDB 7.0

3. Application Architecture



4. Project Structure

```
task-manager-pro/
  └── frontend/
    ├── src/
    │   ├── App.jsx
    │   └── App.css
    ├── package.json
    ├── vite.config.js
    └── Dockerfile
  └── backend/
    ├── server.js
    ├── healthcheck.js
    ├── package.json
    └── Dockerfile
  docker-compose.yml
```

5. Docker Implementation

Frontend Dockerfile

The frontend Dockerfile uses Node.js 18 Alpine image for lightweight deployment:

- Installs dependencies using npm
- Exposes port 5173
- Runs Vite development server with host configuration

Backend Dockerfile

The backend Dockerfile includes security best practices:

- Uses Node.js 18 Alpine base image
- Creates non-root user for security
- Implements health check using custom script
- Exposes port 5000

Docker Compose Configuration

The docker-compose.yml orchestrates three services:

- **MongoDB:** Database service with health check
- **Backend:** API service dependent on MongoDB
- **Frontend:** React app dependent on Backend

6. Step-by-Step Deployment Guide

Prerequisites

- Docker installed on your system
- Docker Compose installed
- Git for version control

Step 1: Clone/Setup Project Structure

```
bash
# Create project directory
mkdir task-manager-pro
cd task-manager-pro

# Create subdirectories
mkdir frontend backend
```

Step 2: Setup Frontend

```
bash
cd frontend
# Create all frontend files (App.jsx, App.css, package.json, etc.)
# Create Dockerfile
```

Step 3: Setup Backend

```
bash
cd ..backend
# Create all backend files (server.js, package.json, etc.)
# Create Dockerfile
```

Step 4: Create Docker Compose

```
bash
cd ..
# Create docker-compose.yml in root directory
```

Step 5: Build and Deploy

```
bash
# Build and start all services
docker-compose up --build

# Run in detached mode
docker-compose up -d --build
```

Step 6: Verify Deployment

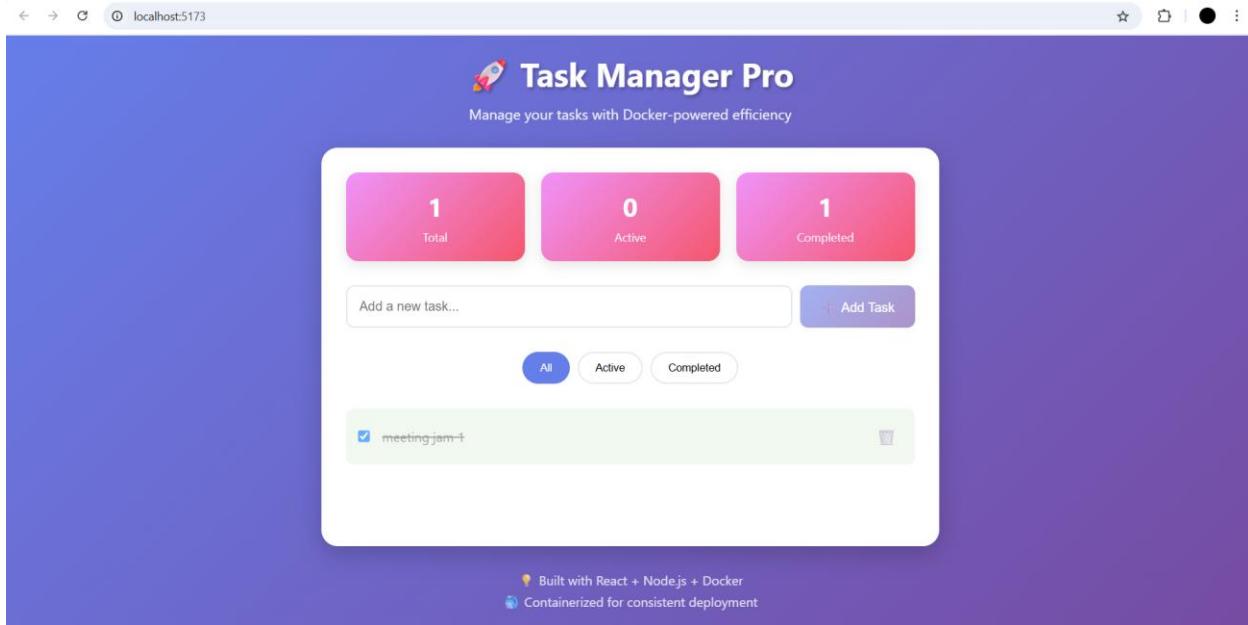
```
bash
# Check running containers
docker-compose ps

# View logs
docker-compose logs

# Test endpoints
curl http://localhost:5000/api/health
```

7. Screenshots

Application Interface



Main application interface showing task management features

API Health Check



Backend API health check endpoint response

Docker Containers

Actions	Name	Container ID	Image	Port(s)
⋮	task-manager-pro	-	-	-
⋮	task-manager-frontend	059076e1a42c	task-manager-pro-frc	5173:5173
⋮	task-manager-backend	564c660f2961	task-manager-pro-ba	5000:5000
⋮	task-manager-mongodb	51f8940f5eea	mongo:7.0	27017:27017

Docker containers running successfully

8. Docker Commands Reference

Basic Commands

```
bash  
# Build and start services  
docker-compose up --build  
  
# Stop services  
docker-compose down  
  
# View running containers  
docker-compose ps  
  
# View logs  
docker-compose logs [service-name]  
  
# Execute commands in container  
docker-compose exec [service-name] [command]
```

Development Commands

```
bash  
# Rebuild specific service  
docker-compose build [service-name]  
  
# Scale services  
docker-compose up --scale [service-name]=3  
  
# Remove volumes  
docker-compose down -v
```

9. Environment Configuration

Frontend Environment Variables

```
env  
VITE_API_URL=http://localhost:5000/api
```

Backend Environment Variables

```
env  
PORT=5000  
MONGODB_URI=mongodb://mongodb:27017/taskmanager  
NODE_ENV=development
```

10. Testing the Application

Functional Testing Steps

1. **Access Frontend:** Navigate to <http://localhost:5173>
2. **Add Task:** Enter task title and click "Add Task"
3. **Mark Complete:** Click checkbox to toggle completion
4. **Filter Tasks:** Use filter buttons (All, Active, Completed)
5. **Delete Task:** Click delete button to remove task
6. **API Testing:** Access <http://localhost:5000/api/health>

Expected Results

- Frontend displays modern task management interface
- Tasks can be added, completed, and deleted
- Statistics update in real-time
- API returns JSON responses
- All containers run without errors

11. Network Configuration

Docker Network

- **Network Name:** task-manager-network
- **Driver:** bridge
- **Services Communication:** Internal DNS resolution

Port Mapping

- Frontend: Host 5173 → Container 5173
- Backend: Host 5000 → Container 5000
- MongoDB: Host 27017 → Container 27017

12. Volume Management

Persistent Data

- **MongoDB Data:** Persistent volume for database
- **Development Volumes:** Hot reload for code changes

13. Security Considerations

Backend Security

- Non-root user execution
- Input validation and sanitization
- CORS configuration
- Error handling middleware

Container Security

- Alpine Linux base images (smaller attack surface)
- Health checks for service monitoring
- Resource limitations through Docker Compose

14. Monitoring and Health Checks

Health Check Implementation

- Backend health check endpoint: /api/health
- MongoDB health check using mongosh
- Docker health check configuration
- Service dependency management

15. Troubleshooting Guide

Common Issues

1. **Port conflicts:** Change port mappings in docker-compose.yml
2. **MongoDB connection:** Ensure MongoDB service is healthy
3. **CORS errors:** Verify backend CORS configuration
4. **Build failures:** Check Dockerfile syntax and dependencies

Debug Commands

```
bash
# Check container logs
docker-compose logs [service-name]

# Interactive shell
```

```
docker-compose exec [service-name] /bin/sh
```

```
# Inspect networks
docker network ls
docker network inspect task-manager-pro_task-manager-network
```

16. Conclusion

Task Manager Pro successfully demonstrates:

- **Containerization:** All services running in Docker containers
- **Service Orchestration:** Docker Compose managing multi-container application
- **Modern Architecture:** Separation of concerns with frontend, backend, and database
- **Development Workflow:** Hot reload and development-friendly configuration
- **Production Ready:** Health checks, security, and monitoring

The application showcases practical implementation of distributed systems concepts using Docker, providing a scalable and maintainable solution for task management.