

Code Smells and Refactoring Techniques

1. Long Method

- **Code Smell:**

- The `query_time` method is relatively long and involves conditional logic for constructing a query string.

- **Refactoring Technique:**

- **Extract Method:**

- Extracted the logic for constructing the query into a separate method (`construct_query`).

```
def construct_query(self, start_date, end_date, task, tag):  
    # ... (query construction logic)
```

2. Large Class

- **Code Smell:**

- The `TimeTracker` class handles multiple responsibilities.

- **Refactoring Technique:**

- **Extract Class:**

- Created a separate class (`DatabaseManager`) for database-related functionality.

```
class DatabaseManager:  
    # ... (database-related methods)
```

- Updated the `TimeTracker` class to use an instance of `DatabaseManager`.

3. Comments

- **Code Smell:**

- Comments in the code could be more informative.

- **Refactoring Technique:**

- **Self-Documenting Code:**

- Improved method names and code structure to make the comments less necessary.

4. Dead Code

- **Code Smell:**

- Using `print` for error messages in the `record_time` method.

- **Refactoring Technique:**

- **Exception Handling:**

- Raised a `ValueError` for error cases instead of using `print`.

```
raise ValueError("Error: Please provide values for all fields.")
```

5. Alternate Class with Different Interfaces

- **Code Smell:**

- Inconsistent usage of the `datetime` module for date manipulation.

- **Refactoring Technique:**

- **Consistent Datetime Handling:**

- Used `parser.parse` consistently for date parsing.

```
date = parser.parse("today").strftime("%Y/%m/%d")
```

Other Code Smells

6. Speculative Generality

- In early stages of project development, much of the app had been focused on preparing for the future features to be implemented.

7. Divergent Change

- Changes made to the database class will sometimes also need to be made to the main program class.

8. Inappropriate Intimacy

- The time tracker class and the database class rely heavily on each other in order to function properly.

9. Primitive Obsession

- Date and time handling might benefit from using a dedicated library or class instead of handling strings directly.

10. Message Chains

- The `TimeTracker` class directly accesses attributes of the `record` object in the `generate_report` method. This could lead to issues if the internal structure of the `time_records` table changes.