

# Mini Project Assignment



# Task Tracker: Web-Based Task Management System

## 1. Problem Statement

Organizations and individuals require efficient tools to manage tasks, track progress, and maintain productivity. You are required to design and develop a web-based task management application that enables users to perform CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete) operations on tasks through an intuitive interface.

## 2. Project Objectives

- Develop a functional web application using Flask framework
- Implement persistent data storage mechanism
- Design a user-friendly interface for task management
- Apply software engineering principles including modular design and documentation
- Demonstrate proficiency in version control using Git and GitHub
- Deploy the application in a Linux environment

## 3. Technical Requirements

### 3.1 Core Functionality (80 marks)

#### A. Application Features

- Homepage displaying all tasks with their current status
- Add new task functionality with title and description fields
- Update task status (mark as completed/incomplete)
- Delete task functionality with appropriate confirmation
- Task filtering and sorting capabilities (optional enhancement)

#### B. Data Persistence Layer

Implement one of the following storage mechanisms:

- SQLite Database: Recommended - Provides relational data management
- JSON File Storage: Acceptable - File-based persistent storage
- In-memory Dictionary: Minimal acceptance - Limited persistence

#### **C. RESTful API Endpoints (Bonus - 5 marks)**

- GET /api/tasks - Retrieve all tasks in JSON format
- GET /api/task/<id> - Retrieve specific task details
- POST /api/task - Create new task via API
- PUT /api/task/<id> - Update task via API (optional)
- DELETE /api/task/<id> - Delete task via API (optional)

#### **D. User Interface Requirements**

- Utilize Jinja2 templating engine for dynamic content rendering
- Implement responsive design using Bootstrap or custom CSS
- Create intuitive navigation and user feedback mechanisms
- Ensure proper form validation and error handling

#### **E. Deployment Configuration (Bonus - 5 marks)**

- Deploy application on Linux environment
- Configure WSGI server (Gunicorn recommended)
- Document deployment process with shell scripts
- Implement proper environment variable management

### **3.2 Architecture & Design Documentation (10 marks)**

Submit a comprehensive design document (1-1.5 pages) including:

- **System Architecture Diagram:** Illustrate the application structure, including folder organization, component relationships, and data flow
- **Process Flow Diagram:** Demonstrate the request-response cycle: User Action → Route Handler → Business Logic → Data Layer → Response

- **Design Rationale:** Justify key technical decisions such as:
  - Choice of data storage mechanism
  - Application structure and modularization
  - Template and static file organization
  - Security considerations

### 3.3 Project Documentation (10 marks)

**Create a comprehensive README.md file in the GitHub repository containing:**

- Project Overview and Purpose
- Technology Stack (Framework, Database, Libraries)
- System Architecture and Folder Structure
- Installation and Setup Instructions
- Usage Guide with Screenshots
- API Documentation (if implemented)
- Testing Procedures
- Known Issues and Limitations
- Future Enhancement Roadmap
- Contributors and Acknowledgments

### 4. Required Technical Concepts

- Linux Administration: Virtual environment creation, package management, process management, file permissions
- Python Development: Module structure, package management, dependency management (requirements.txt)
- Flask Framework: Routing, templating with Jinja2, static file serving, request handling, session management
- Version Control: Git workflow, branching strategies, commit conventions, GitHub repository management

- Database Management: Schema design, CRUD operations, query optimization (if using SQLite)
- Web Technologies: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript (basic), HTTP methods

## 5. Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Description	Marks
<b>Core Functionality</b>	Implementation of all required features with proper functionality	40
<b>Data Persistence</b>	Robust data storage and retrieval mechanism	20
<b>Code Quality</b>	Clean, modular, and well-commented code	10
<b>UI/UX Design</b>	Intuitive interface and user experience	10
<b>Architecture Documentation</b>	Comprehensive design document with diagrams	10
<b>Project Documentation</b>	Complete README with setup and usage instructions	10
<b>API Implementation</b>	RESTful API endpoints (Bonus)	5
<b>Deployment</b>	Successful Linux deployment with documentation (Bonus)	5

**Total Marks:** 100 (including 10 bonus marks)

## 6. Submission Requirements

Students must submit the following deliverables:

- GitHub Repository Link: Public repository containing complete source code with proper commit history
- Design Document: PDF format or integrated in README with architecture and flow diagrams
- Application Screenshots: Minimum 4-5 screenshots demonstrating all major functionalities
- Setup Instructions: Step-by-step guide for Linux deployment and execution
- Requirements File: requirements.txt with all Python dependencies
- Sample Data: Seed data or SQL scripts for database initialization (if applicable)

## 7. Development Guidelines

- Follow PEP 8 coding standards for Python code
- Use meaningful variable and function names
- Implement proper error handling and input validation
- Write descriptive commit messages following conventional commit format
- Maintain a clean project structure with separate folders for templates, static files, and modules
- Include .gitignore file to exclude virtual environments and cache files
- Test the application thoroughly before submission
- Ensure the application runs on a fresh Linux installation following your documentation

## 8. Suggested Timeline

- **Week 1:** Requirements analysis, design documentation, and architecture planning
- **Week 2:** Core functionality implementation and database setup
- **Week 3:** UI development, testing, and bug fixes
- **Week 4:** Documentation, deployment, and final submission

## 9. Recommended Resources

- **Flask Official Documentation:** <https://flask.palletsprojects.com/>
- **SQLite Documentation:** <https://www.sqlite.org/docs.html>
- **Bootstrap Framework:** <https://getbootstrap.com/>
- **Git Documentation:** <https://git-scm.com/doc>
- **Python PEP 8 Style Guide:** <https://pep8.org/>
- **Jinja2 Template Designer Documentation**

**Note:** Academic integrity is expected. Plagiarism or unauthorized collaboration will result in zero marks. Ensure all external code sources are properly cited.