

User's Manual

Time Management System



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Group 4 hope that making this document is appreciated by the user, and it makes using the application as straightforward as possible for them. Any suitable suggestions and criticism are regarded by the team to make the manual more applicable.

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1 Introduction

This document explains the manual for a stand-alone timeline application which is designed by Group 4 of the Project course in Computer Science of Linnaeus University of Växjö, spring 2017. It aims to give the user general guide and information on how to use the application.

1.1 System Overview

This application is designed to make timelines that show events. The events can be either of durational or non-durational ones according to the user's preferences. In details, when the user tends to assign a duration to an event, it is possible for them to extend the duration as they desire, and if they want to make a timeline with no duration, they are able to do it as well.

The name "Time Management System" is assigned to this application, and it is projected by Group 4 which is the responsible team for designing it. The coding part is under the programming language of Java, and the process took place at Eclipse and Scene Builder.

The format for entering the dates for the timeline and event is MM/DD/YYYY. The earliest year for each timeline is 1000, and the latest year is 9999.

1.2 System Requirements

System requirements in order to run this application is Windows 7 or later, and ios 10 or later.

1.3 Points of Contact

For informational and troubleshooting purposes, the user can access to the team through the contact details listed at this part of the document.

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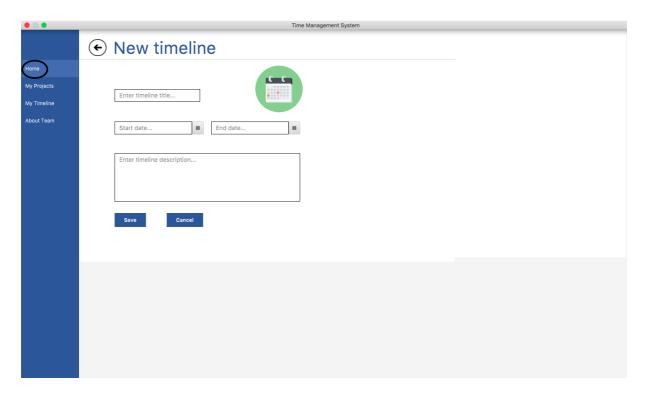
2 System Menu

On this part of the document, the user can find how to start working with the application stepby-step. Once a timeline is created and saved, it can be accessed by the user whenever it is required. Every step that are taken during the whole process of making a timeline, creating an event and etc. are listed in details.

The function of each button on the application is presented here as the system functions. The required information and steps are listed in details in order to make the usage of the application easy for the user.

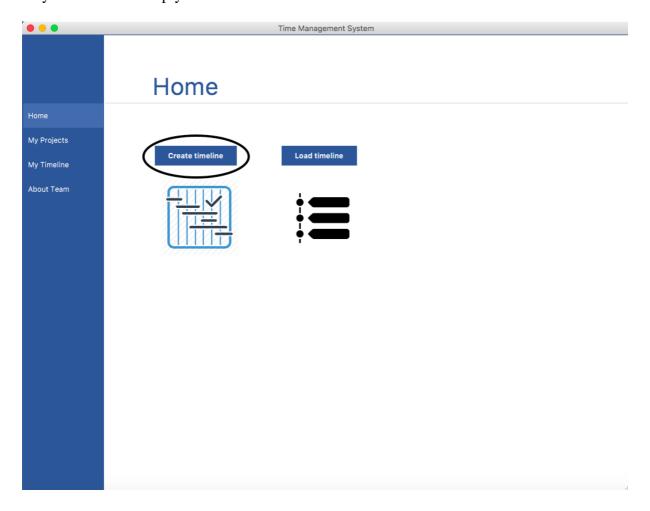
2.1 Home

When the user clicks on 'Home' button on the homepage of the application, they will see two buttons: 'Create timeline' and 'Load timeline'.



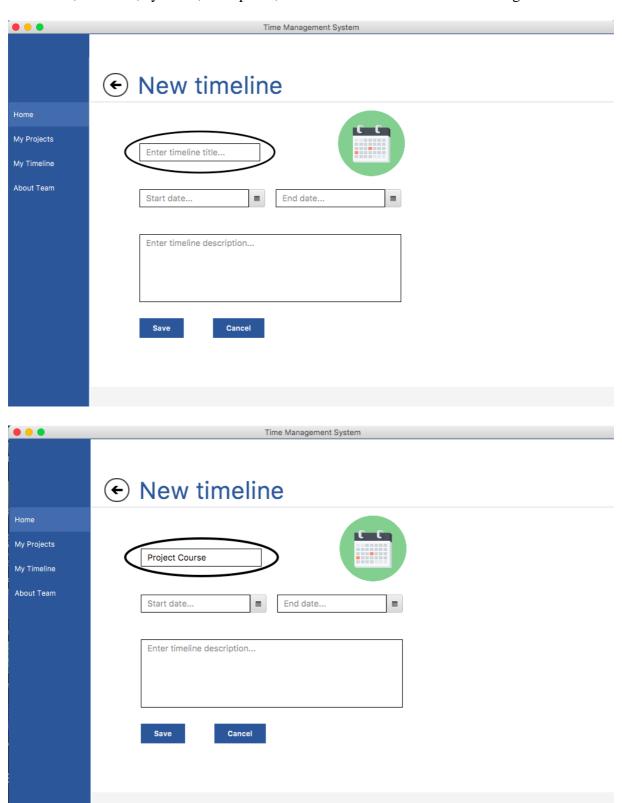
2.1.1 Create Timeline

When the user presses 'Create timeline' button, they will be guided to a new page. There, they can see some empty boxes to be filled.



2.1.1.1 Enter Timeline Title

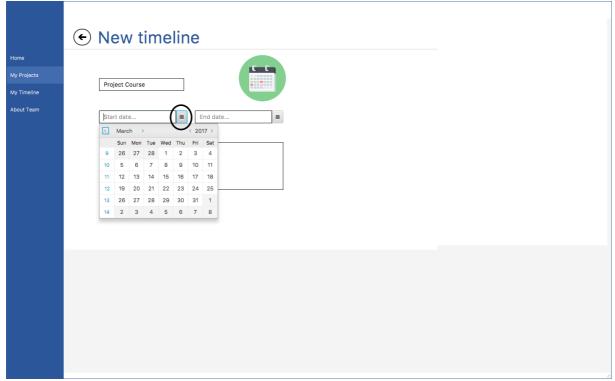
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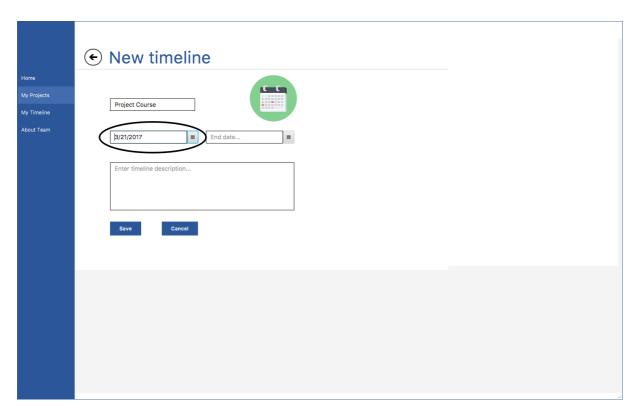


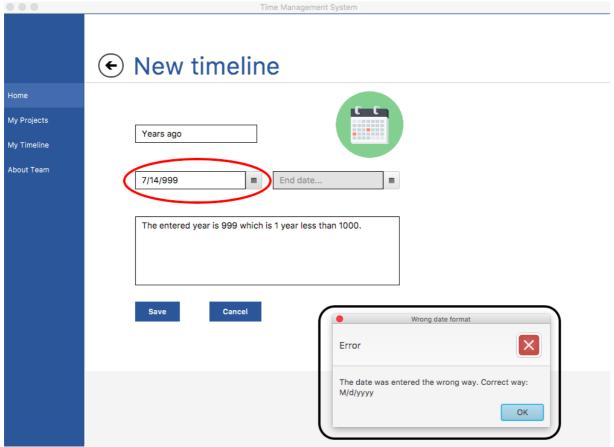
2.1.1.2 Start Date

In this box, the user must enter the starting date for their favorite timeline by choosing a date from the calendar button next to the 'Start date' box. The user is allowed to enter the year of their timeline a year between 1000 to 9999. If they enter a sooner/later year, they will encounter a warning which is shown on the last picture of this section of the document. By double-clicking on 'OK', user can fix the date.



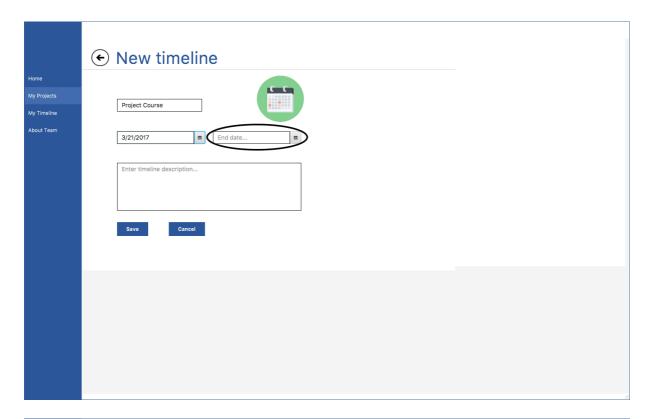


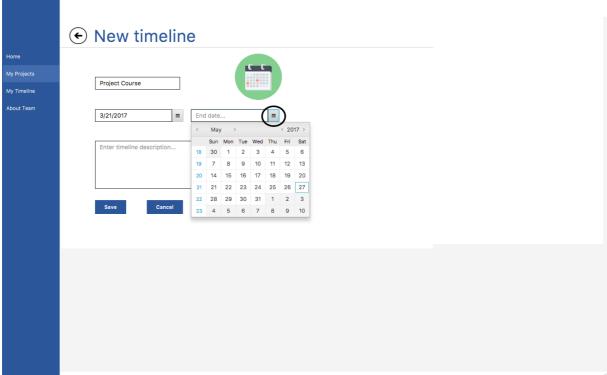


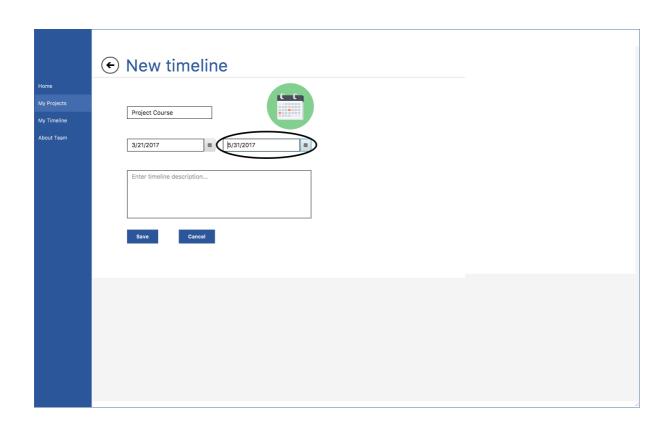


2.1.1.3 End Date

In this box, the user must enter the starting date for their favorite timeline by choosing a date from the calendar button next to the 'End date' box.

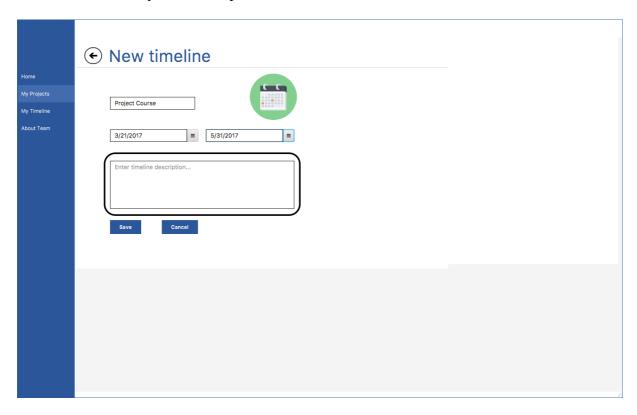


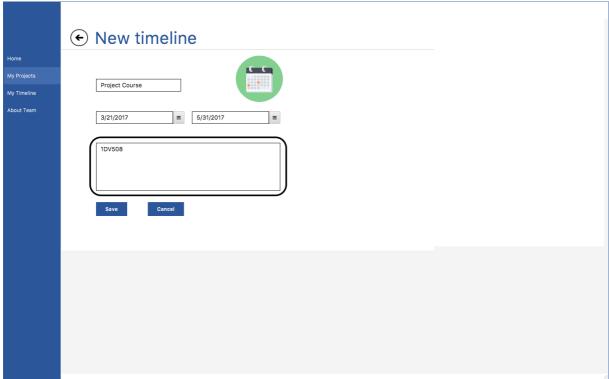




2.1.1.4 Enter Timeline Description

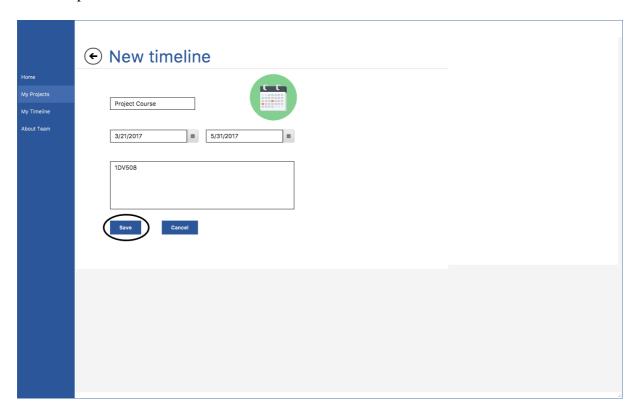
In this box, the user can enter a desired description for their timeline. Every alphabet character, number, symbol, and space can be entered here.





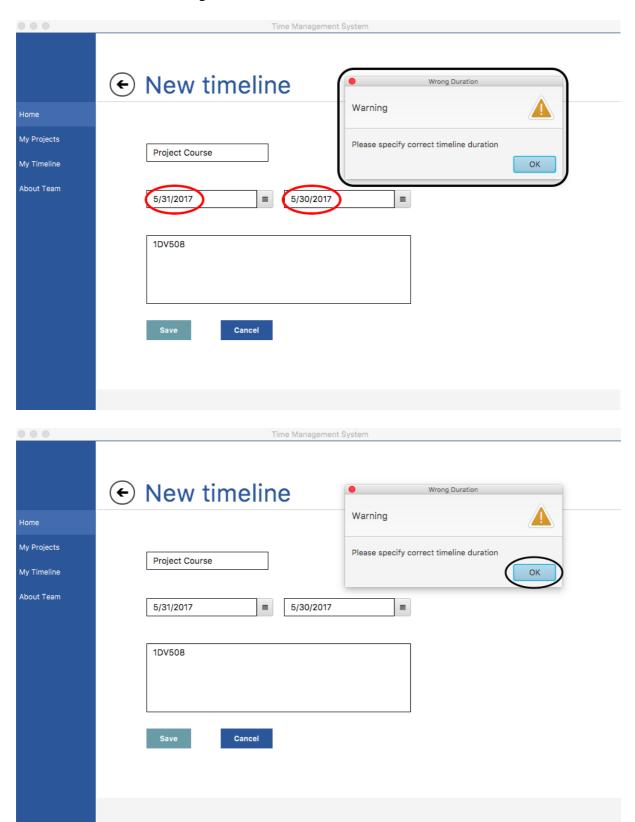
2.1.1.5 Save

The user presses 'Save' button to save the timeline.



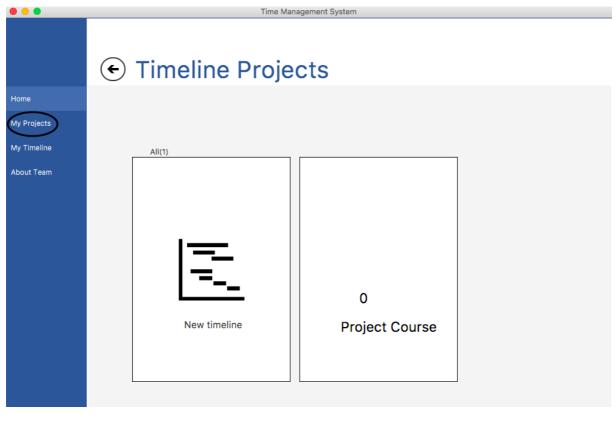
2.1.1.5.1 Warning

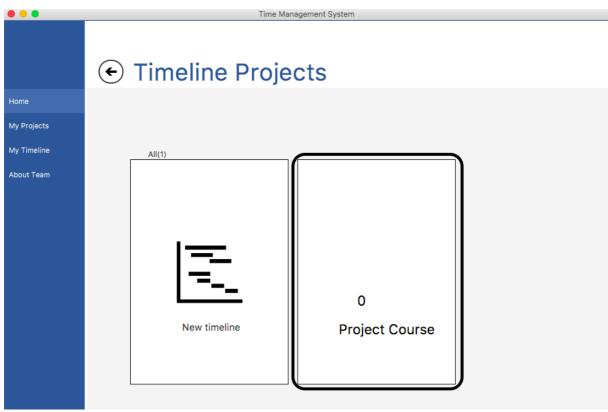
In case user enters the Start Date a date after the End Date, the system will display an error which is "Please specify correct timeline duration". The user must press the 'OK' button to return to the timeline creating window, and correct the date.



2.1.1.6 Created Timeline

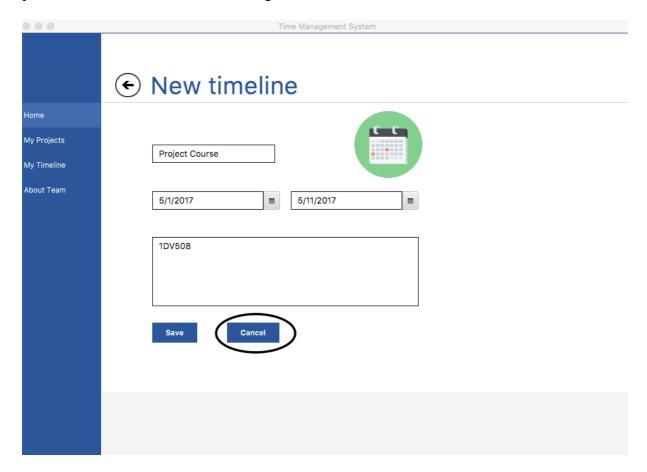
After user enters the proper date for Start and End date, they press the 'Save' button, and the timeline is then created, and shown on the Timeline Projects window.





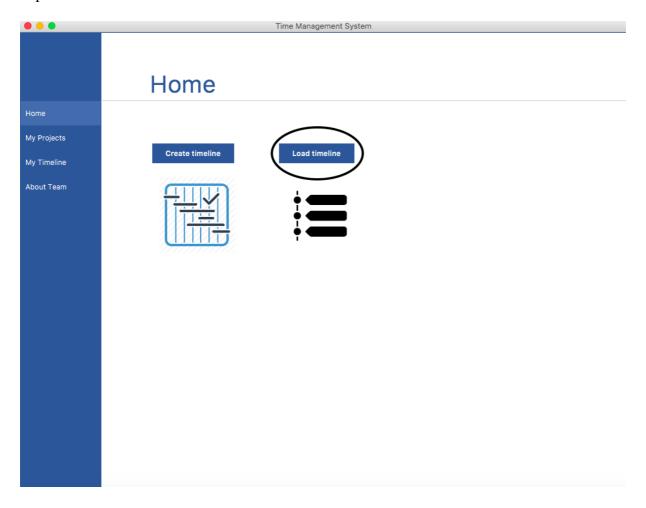
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If the user does not want to save the timeline before pressing the 'Save' button, they must press 'Cancel' button to cancel making the timeline.



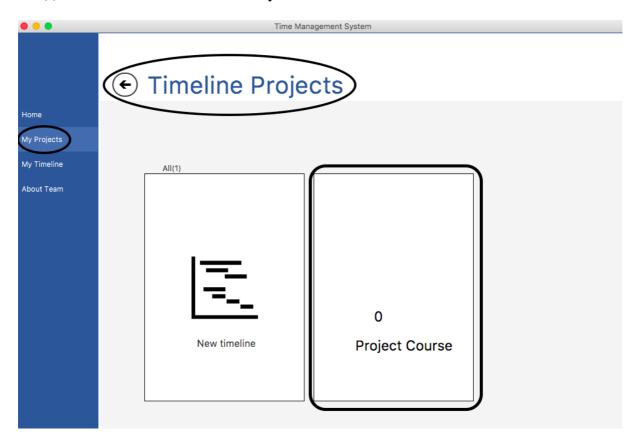
2.1.2 Load Timeline

On this window, the user can load the created timeline(s) from a file on their computer. The user can do this after once they have exported the created event on a timeline. This will be explained at section 2.3.1.3 of this document.



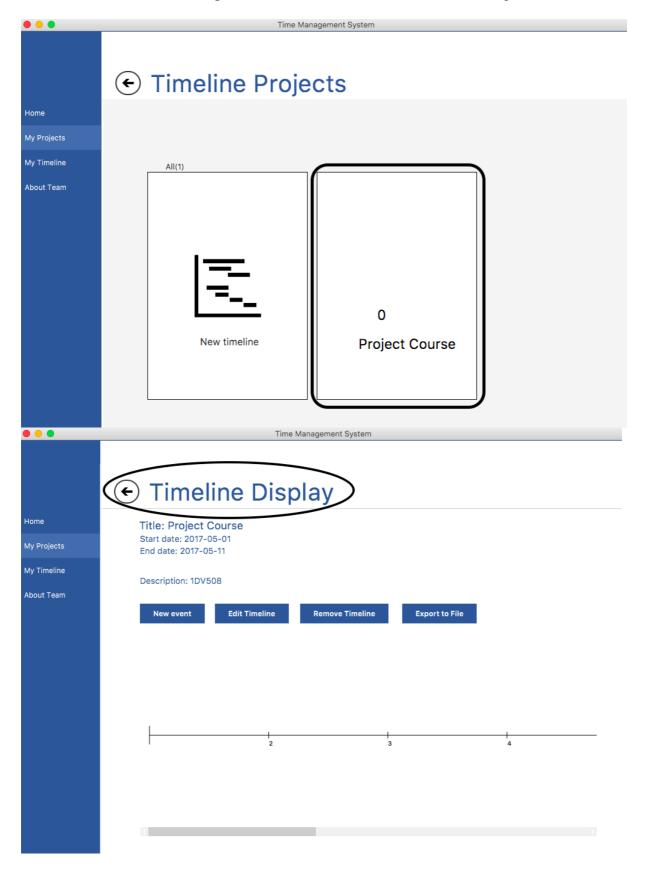
2.2 My Projects

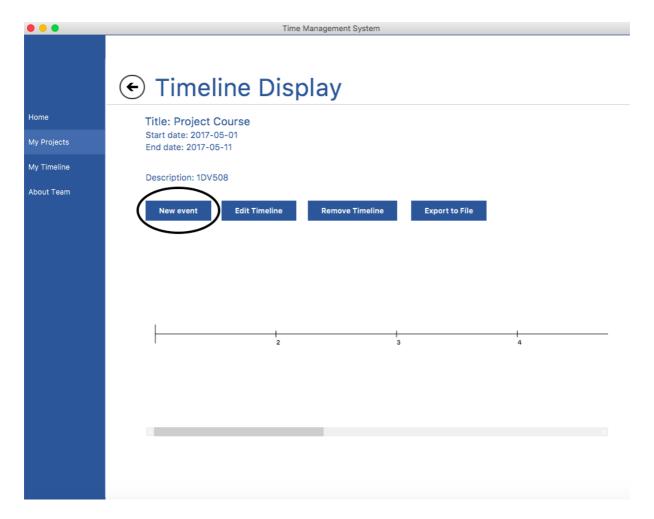
Once the timeline(s) are created, the user can access to the created timeline(s) by pressing 'My Projects' button, and then on the 'Timeline Display' window they can see the created one(s). This is also available where they created the timeline.



2.3 Create an event

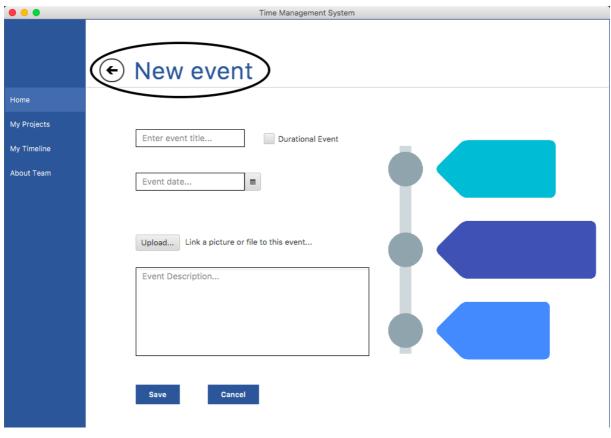
Once the timeline is created, by clicking on the card of the desired timeline at My Projects window, the user goes to Timeline Display window, and then can create their favorite event on the selected timeline. User presses 'New event' button, and starts making their event.

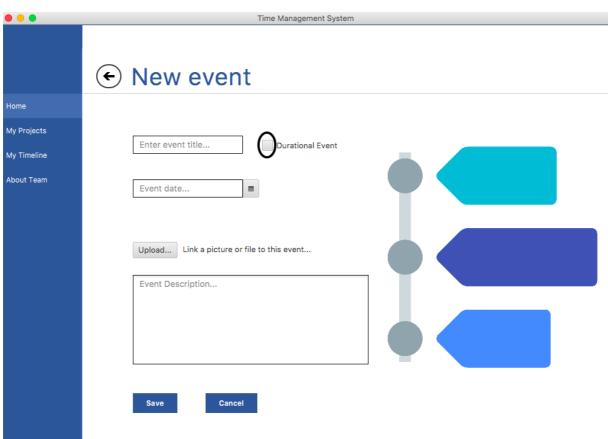


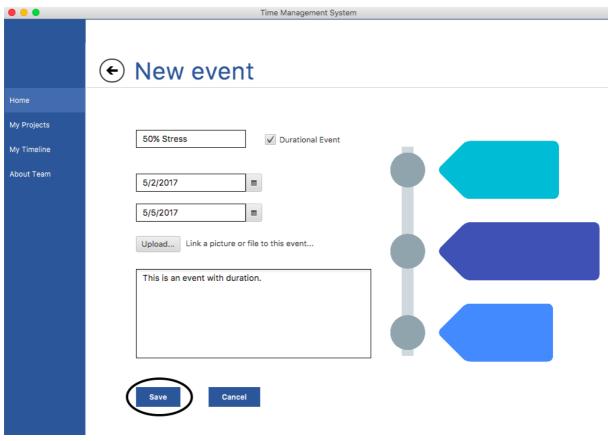


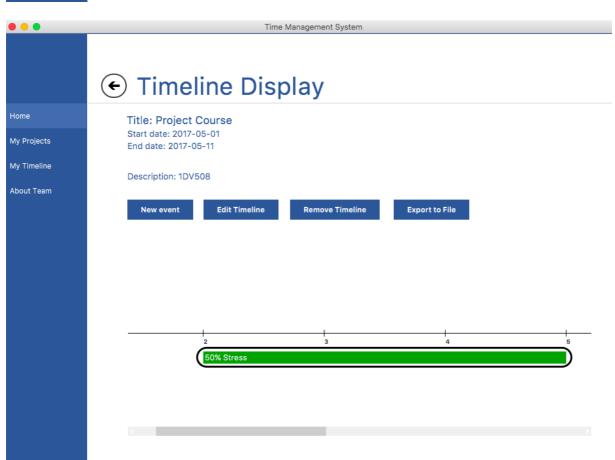
2.3.1 Durational Event

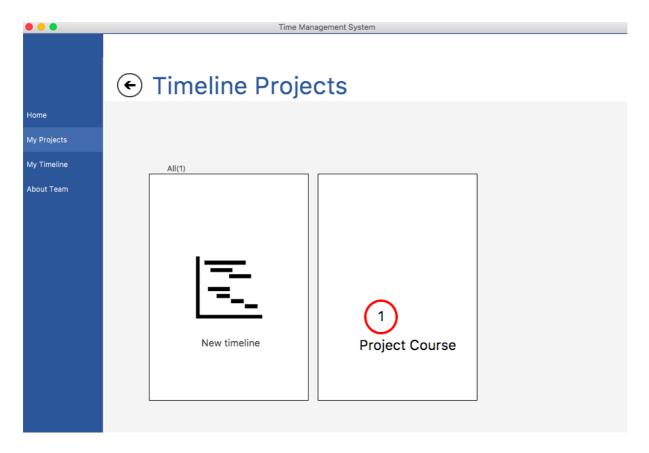
After the user presses 'New Event' button on 'Timeline Display' window, they go to the 'New event' window. There are a few fields to be filled by the user. The first field is 'Enter event title', where the user enters their desired title for the event. There is a checkbox new to the title box, Durational Event. If the user tends to make an event with duration, they can check this box, and then enter the start and end date for the duration of the event. After filling in every necessary field, the user presses 'Save' button to save the event. After saving it, it is added to the timeline card. In case the user wants to access the event, they can press on the timeline card, and reach the events.





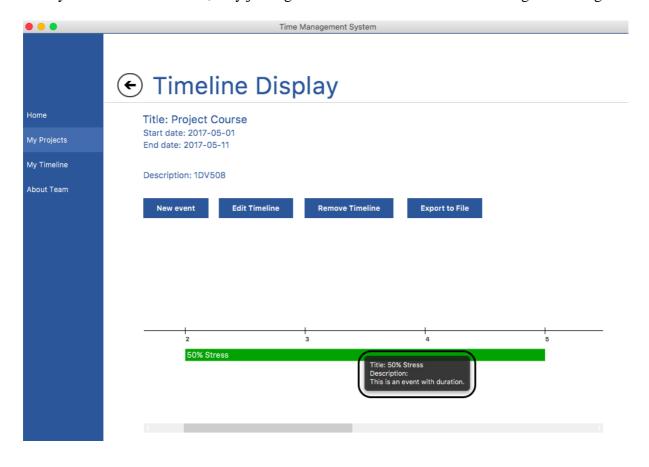


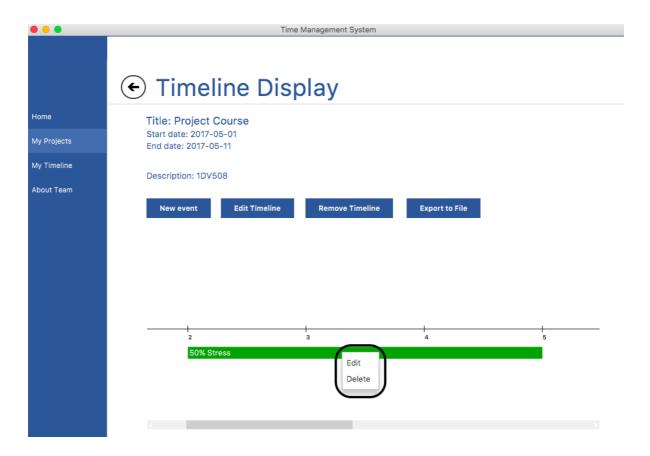




2.3.1.1 Edit Event

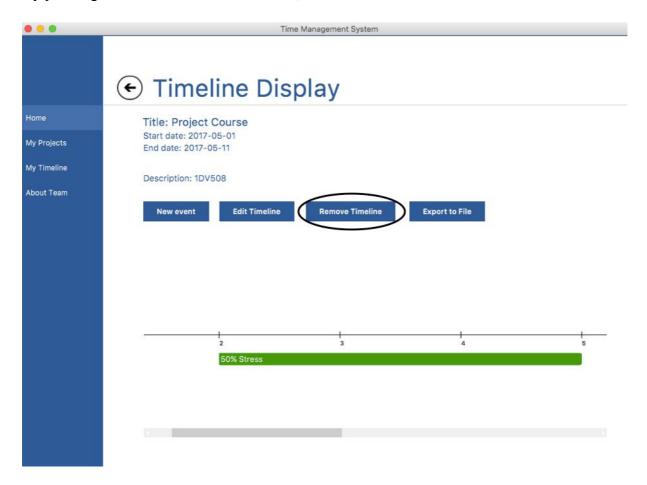
If the user hover the mouse on the created event, they can see the details of the created event. If they want to edit the event, they just right click on the event and start editing or deleting it.





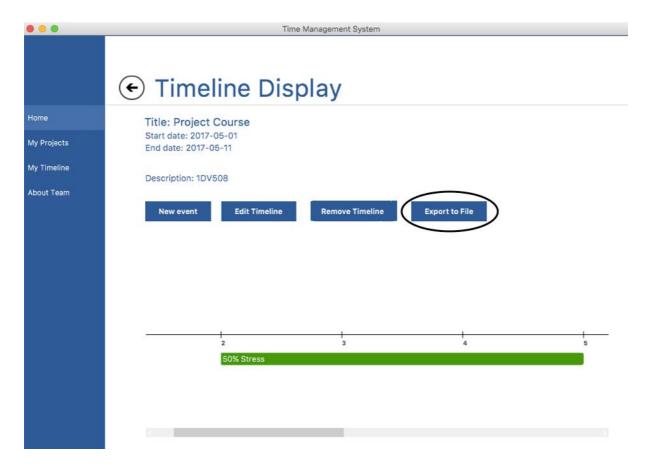
2.3.1.2 Remove Timeline

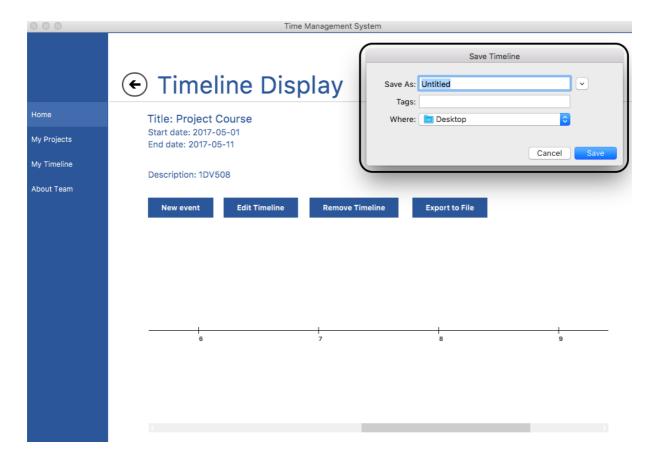
By pressing the 'Remove Timeline' button, user can remove the timeline, itself.



2.3.1.3 Export to File

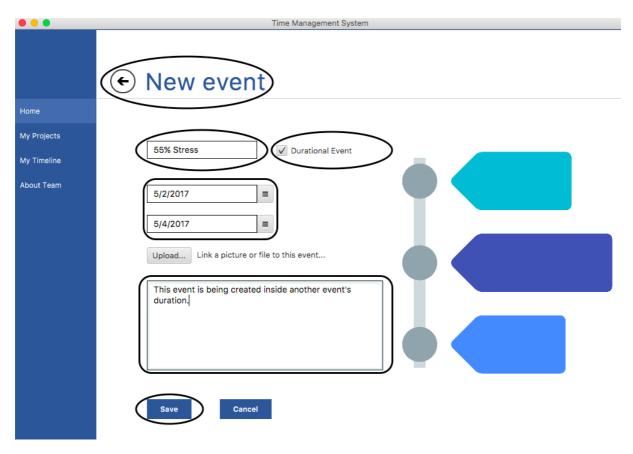
By pressing the 'Export to File' button, user can export their created event to their computer. Then later, by pressing 'Load timeline' button on the Home window, they can access to their created timeline event which is discussed at section 2.1.2 of this document.

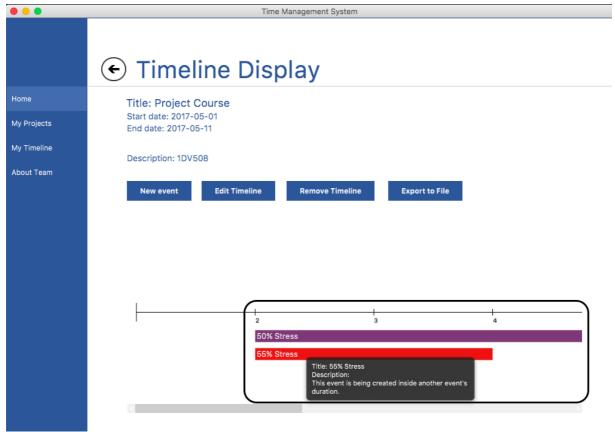




2.3.1.4 New Durational Event

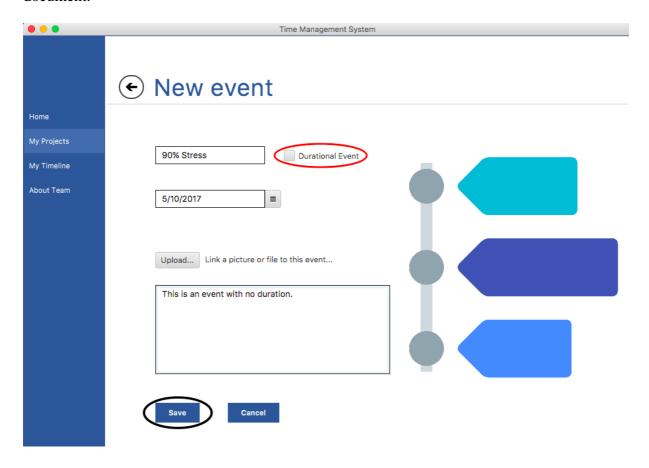
In case the user wants to make multiple events, if one of the event's duration is inside another event's duration, it will be shown by a different color, and a lower level with the previously created event.

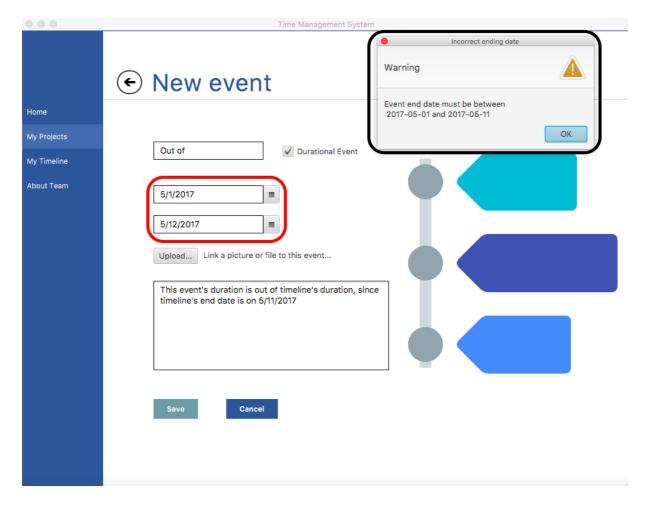




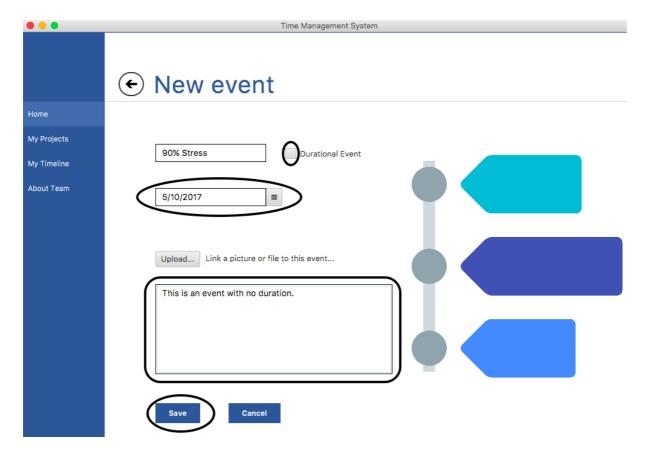
2.3.2 Non-durational Event

If the user wants to make an event with no duration, they do not check the 'Durational event' checkbox. The user fill in the fields and creates their desired event on the timeline by pressing 'Save' button. In all of the situations that the user is entering the desired date, whether durational or non-durational event, if the date is out of the timeline's duration, then the user will encounter an error. The error is showing on the second picture of this section of the document.

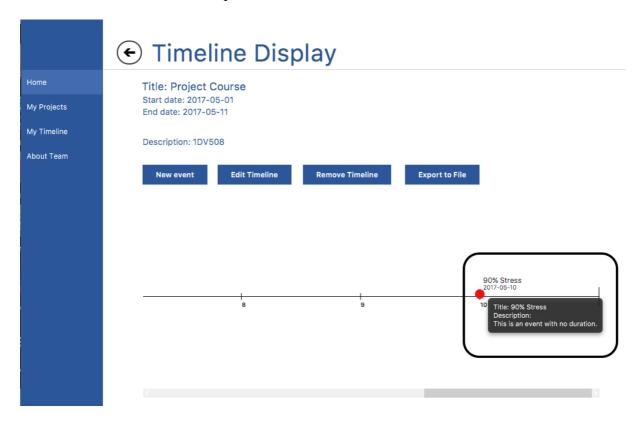




The user fills in the fields to create their favorite new event to the time line.

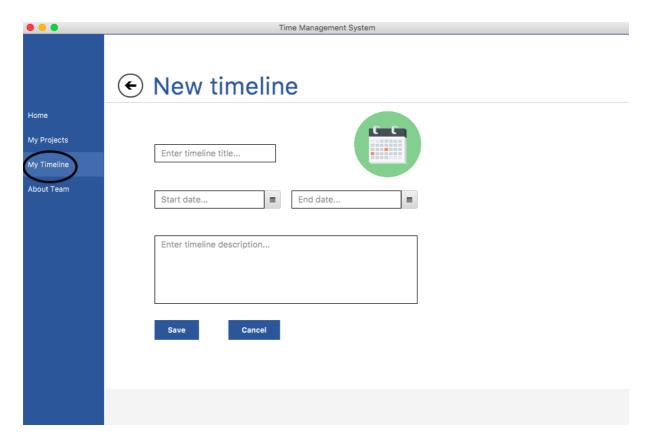


New event will be created when the user presses 'Save' button. Then the new event is added to the timeline as shown on the picture below.



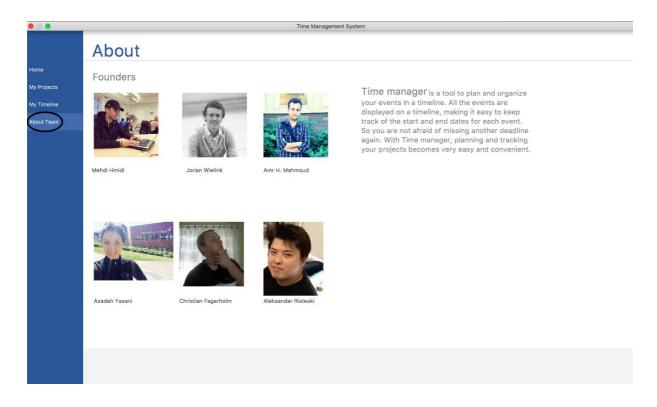
2.4 My Timeline

Creating a new timeline is available by pressing 'My Timeline' button, and start making the timeline as it is described in 2.1.1 section of this document.



2.5 About Team

By pressing About Team button, the user can access the pictures and names of the Group 4 members.



3 Final Words

Group 4 hopes that the usage of the application would be so handy for the user, and they can make their intended timelines and events by getting help from this User Manual Document. Any suggestions and questions are appreciated.