IMPROVING THE BASIC KANBAN TOOL

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INTRODUCTION

- Looking for improvements to Agile processes
  - Scrum, Kanban
- Most Kanban tools lack flexibility
  - Can't organize by blocked tasks
  - Can't partition by sprint
- Motivated to design for convenience

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Within project management tools, Kanban Boards have become increasingly famous for their ability to visualize work and efficiency. However, we believe that they have some issues:

- Traditional Kanban Boards do not meet flexibility and customization needs of varied projects
- Lack of useful productivity tools
- Lack of a way to partition tasks by criteria other than assignee, such as time period

Our intent is to solve this issue by designing a board that addresses the above issues, while maintaining core Kanban principles.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

TO-DO LISTS

View what is and isn't done, and who is working on what and when

“MY TASKS”

Personalized view of what your priorities should be

HIGHLIGHT IMPEDIMENTS

Color-code and tag tasks to emphasize a blocked task or needed action

ORGANIZE TASKS BY DATE

Add and view by deadlines, choose which deployment period tasks should be in

CUSTOMIZABLE COLUMNS

Wide variety of tools to allow boards to cater exactly to your project's needs

RELATION TO PROJECT GOAL

- Overarching Goal: Design something to improve software development processes
- Issues/tasks are important to organize in these processes
    - This is often done using Kanban boards
- We hope our improved design will add convenience to issue management

REQUIREMENTS/ USE CASES

USE CASE 1: TRACK TASKS ASSIGNED TO ME

1. **Preconditions**

User must be logged in and have an active project existing in the system.

2. **Main Flow**

User will see a side-panel alongside board consisting of tasks assigned to them [S1]. User will update task from side-panel [S2]. Server will reflect updates in the main kanban board that can be viewed by all team members [S3].

3. **Subflows**

[S1] Front-end will have simple view of all features for user to navigate

[S2] Changes to task in one view will be reflected in all views. Front-end communicates with back-end.

[S3] Changes made are reflected in database.

4. **Alternative Flows**

[E1] User has no tasks assigned to them

USE CASE 2: ASSIGN TASKS TO A SPRINT/ITERATION & TRACK BLOCKED TASKS

1. **Preconditions**

User must be logged into system

2. **Main Flow**

User will click an "add" button to create a new task [S1]. Server will prompt user with a selection of time frames to add to the task [S2]. User will select a different task that is blocked [S3]. Server will allow user to select a color to change the box around the task [S4].

3. **Subflows**

[S1] User fills out description for new task.

[S2] User will select a date from options.

[S3] User will click on task and change status.

[S4] User will select a color and system will change it.

4. **Alternative Flows**

[E1] Time frame for tasks is in the past

THANK YOU

Any Questions?