React Developer – Timer & Step Generator for Digital Watch Simulator

Project Description

We are developing a simulator for a digital LCD watch system. The goal is to implement a **Timer** and **Sensor (step + state generator)** in React.js, with a simple dashboard to visualize their outputs.

The dashboard will include controls (start/stop, speed, archetype, duration), visualizations (steps/hour and steps/day graphs), and a log panel for interrupts. Code should be **modular**, **well-documented**, **and ready for integration** with other modules (calculation, controller, watch face) later.

Milestone 1 - Dashboard Scaffold

Build a functional dashboard layout with Control, Visualization, and Log panels.

Details:

- Implement Control panel with:
 - Start/Stop button
 - Speed slider (x1–x1000, log scale)
 - Start date selector (direct + calendar input)
 - Duration selector (1–1000 days)
 - Archetype selector (JSON presets)
 - Progress bar (simulation progress)
 - Button to export generated data to JSON
- Visualization panel:
 - Graph 1 = steps per hour (7 days, padded if needed) with bar + smoothed line (7h Hann window)
 - Graph 2 = steps per day (365 days, padded if needed) with bar plot

 Log window (scrollable): shows interrupts (NEW_SECOND, NEW_MINUTE, NEW_STEP, NEW_STATE) with timestamps.

Acceptance Criteria:

- All controls are interactive and update UI state.
- Graphs render correctly with placeholder/random data.
- Log updates in real time.

Milestone 2 - Timer Module

Abstract: Implement a time engine with adjustable playback speed.

Details:

- Timer emits interrupts: NEW_SECOND and NEW_MINUTE (flags only).
- Speed adjustable via slider (x1–x1000).
- Provide API for querying current simulated time: year, month, day, hour, minute, second, millisecond, day of week.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Slider changes interrupt rate dynamically.
- Query API returns consistent simulated time.
- Demo run of 1 simulated day completes without desync.

Milestone 3 – Step Generator (30%)

Abstract: Implement step generator producing NEW_STEP events with archetype presets.

Details:

- Generate steps according to selected archetype JSON.
- Support walking (120 steps/min) and jogging (180 steps/min).

- Implement 4 archetypes: office worker, flexible worker, shift worker, athlete.
- Steps distributed according to day/night schedules defined in archetypes.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Changing archetype updates visible daily step patterns in graphs.
- Step counts scale correctly with simulation speed.
- No missing or duplicate step events at high playback speeds.

Milestone 4 – State Generator (20%)

Abstract: Add simulated user/device states alongside steps.

Details:

- Sensor emits NEW_STATE events:
 - \circ **SLEEP** \rightarrow no steps, user inactive
 - **BACKGROUND** → steps emitted, user inactive
 - \circ **IDLE** \rightarrow no steps, user actively interacts with device
 - \circ **ACTIVE** \rightarrow steps emitted, user actively interacts with device
- States depend on archetype and time of day.

Acceptance Criteria:

- Log panel shows state changes in sync with steps and time.
- State transitions follow archetype schedules (e.g., SLEEP at night, ACTIVE in commuting periods).

Requirements

Strong React.js skills.

- Experience with charting libraries (Recharts preferred).
- Familiarity with event-driven simulations is a plus.
- Code must be modular, documented, and structured for integration with future modules.

Scope of Work

1. Dashboard (React.js)

- Control panel with:
 - Start/Stop button
 - Simulation speed slider (x1–x1000)
 - Start date selector (direct and calendar input)
 - Duration selector (number of full days 1–1000)
 - Person archetype selector (reads from JSON presets)
 - Progress bar (simulation completion)
 - Buttons to save generated data to JSON files

Visualization panel with:

- Graph 1: steps per hour (7 days padded if needed) → bar plot + smoothed line (7-hour Hann window)
- Graph 2: steps per day (365 days padded if needed) → bar plot
- Log window (scrollable) showing sequence of interrupts: NEW_SECOND,
 NEW_MINUTE, NEW_STEP, NEW_STATE with timestamps.

2. Timer module

- Adapts to speed rate from Control panel.
- Emits NEW_SECOND and NEW_MINUTE interrupts (flags only).

 Provides API to query current simulated time (year, month, day, hour, minute, second, ms, day of week).

3. Sensor (Step Generator) module

- Generates NEW_STEP interrupts according to selected archetype.
- Supports different cadences (e.g., 120 steps/min walking, 180 jogging).
- Archetypes: office worker, flexible worker, shift worker, athlete provide different parameter presets for random step counts generation
- Generates NEW_STATE interrupts:
 - SLEEP → no steps, user inactive
 - **BACKGROUND** → steps emitted, user inactive
 - **IDLE** → no steps, user interacts with device
 - **ACTIVE** → steps emitted, user interacts with device

Deliverables

- Source Code (React.js, modular, in GitHub repo):
 - Timer.js (adjustable speed)
 - Sensor.js (step + state generator with archetypes)
 - Dashboard React components

• Documentation:

- o API between Timer, Sensor, and downstream modules
- Setup and run instructions

Milestones & Acceptance Criteria

Milestone 1 - Dashboard (30%)

- Functional dashboard with 3 panels (Control, Visualization, Log).
- Control panel fully interactive.
- Visualization panel: steps/hour & steps/day graphs (Recharts or similar).
- Log window shows and scrolls incoming interrupt events.
 - Acceptance: Run demo, adjust controls, see updates reflected in graphs & log.

Milestone 2 - Timer (20%)

- Timer emits NEW_SECOND and NEW_MINUTE.
- Adjustable speed (x1–x1000).
- Query API for current simulated time.
 - ✓ Acceptance: Change slider → interrupt frequency updates correctly.

Milestone 3 – Step Generator (30%)

- Step generator produces NEW_STEP events parameterized by archetype JSON.
- Walking/jogging cadences supported.
- Archetypes affect day/night distribution of steps.
 - Acceptance: Switching archetype changes visible step patterns in graphs.

Milestone 4 – State Generator (20%)

- Sensor emits NEW_STATE events: SLEEP, BACKGROUND, IDLE, ACTIVE.
- States switch realistically according to archetype/daytime.
 - Acceptance: Log panel shows state changes alongside steps/time interrupts.

Requirements

Strong React.js skills.

- Experience with charting libraries (Recharts preferred).
- Familiarity with simulation/event-driven systems is a plus.
- Code must be modular and documented for handoff to other developers.