CVWO Final-Assignment Write up

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[Links: Website, GitHub Repo]

Accomplishments

I have been learning React throughout semester 1 and working on creating clones for popular webpages (Facebook, Google etc.) to adopt Frontend skills. This assignment gave me the motivation to work on a complete Fullstack project on my own and within this journey I learned a great deal about the various technology used in building a proper webpage. The links provided were of immense help in understanding the tools I could use to implement features which I wanted in my app. I picked up several things while looking up tutorials, debugging and browsing stackoverflow. I started learning more about Clean Code when I saw how the codes of many of the open-source projects on GitHub were organized and looked into various other things related to Web Development.

The main **learning points** while working on the Project were:

- Deploy a React Rails project on Heroku
- MVC and Flux architecture
- State Management and using Redux to avoid prop-drilling
- Set up a Postgres database and access the data using APIs
- Using psql to query database and check whether the tables were working correctly
- User authentication using controllers and helper methods, password encryption using bcrypt
- REST APIs, along with GraphQL APIs
- Integrating Typescript and Redux
- Functional and class Components in react. Using React hooks (useState, useEffect) while working with functional components
- Version control and more Git commands such as branch, checkout to work on different features without changing the master code.
- Cookies and Session for allowing the browser to be logged in even after closing the webpage
- Web design methods, including Color Theory, Typography, UI/UX while looking up tutorials and courses on Udemy and Coursera
- Clean code and the need for it

The project still requires certain improvements such as adding tags without the need to reload the page, faster loading of page etc. still I am content with my accomplishments made during this project.

User Manual

Welcome Page

 Page shown upon opening the website asking the user to login or signup for a new account

Sign up

- Enter username, email id, password to create a new account to be able use the to-do app. After Sign up the user is automatically logged in.

Login

- Login to the account by entering the username, email id and password.

Logout

- Click the "Logout" on the Navbar to logout from your account

Tasks Page

 After user logs in the page displays all the tasks (complete, incomplete and overdue tasks). You can Add, Edit and Delete Tasks on this page

Creating a New Task

- Click on the "Add task" and fill the form to create a new Task. The name and description fields are mandatory, and a task will not be created unless these are filled in. Click "Cancel" to get out of the form without adding a task. Each task can also have a tag and a deadline. Press "Enter" or click "Add" to add the task

Editing Tasks

- Click "Edit" to change the Task name, description, deadline and tags. Click
 "Update Task" to finish making changes.
- Change the status of a tasks by clicking the checkbox
- Add additional tags by pressing "+" and adding the new tag [page needs to be refreshed to reflect addition of tags]. Delete tags by clicking the "x"
- Edit each tag as well as the name and description upon clicking the button.

Delete Tasks

- Click the "Delete" button and the Task is deleted

Search Tasks

- Search tasks based on their tags. Type the tag in the Search box and press "Enter" or click "Search by Tag" to display all the Tasks with the corresponding tag
- Can also click on the tag of a Task to perform the same action as above.

Calendar

 Click "Calendar" on the Navigation Bar. The displayed calendar shows the incomplete tasks corresponding to their deadlines.