

Individual Reflection

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Sprint 1

At the start of the course, I set a goal of becoming a more active team member in the discussion since I am usually more laid back. In order to do that, I am going through methods of working agile. This includes incrementing the code bit by bit, as well as actually utilizing the sprint planning time as a way to understand other's views on the same idea fully but also as an opportunity for me personally to reflect on how I act in a larger team than I am used to. I tried as well to listen to but also discuss ideas with the scrum master as a way for me to be comfortable with roles established by the team.

During this sprint, I worked closely with one other member of the group and we utilized pair-programming as a way for us to kick things off. This felt like the best way to start things off since it's difficult to separate tasks so clearly at the moment. We were discussing different solutions and implementing that was concluded to best fit our idea of the program. This method worked very well for our situation during this sprint but other methods may better fit during the next.

When starting the next sprint, I have a small goal of working in specific times, and not rushing things, if possible. This allows me to be in a more prepared headspace if I was aware of when I would be working next beforehand. When it comes to the team, I would like to help a little more but that depends on the task that I will be assigned, which are, in turn, hopefully somewhat challenging so that I can learn something new from the course apart from the agile working process.

Sprint 2

I want to learn more about agile processes and how they can improve our team's productivity and efficiency. We were able to implement that better during this sprint and hopefully even better during the next. I want to learn what others have been working on as well. That is to use this course as an opportunity to grow in coding as well as agile working processes.

I have worked closely with one other member of the team, utilizing pair-programming to complete the tasks that were assigned to us during the sprint planning. I have been helping to identify and resolve any code-blocks that my teammate has which have helped us achieve our goals.

During upcoming weeks, I can definitely provide more constructive feedback during our sprint retrospectives and help identify areas for improvement. I can help in building the team so that everyone feels like we are working towards the same goal, rather than individual goals or grades.

Last week, I identified the need for more clearly defined roles and responsibilities within the team. This week, I have been working closer with my designated team. I mentioned that I wanted to be more vocal within the team and that has been working since I took some small steps in order to make that happen through expressing a way that I see a certain thing fit better and so on.