

Individual reflections

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Week 2

One thing I want to learn during the next week is how to connect the GUI with the application in a good way. Currently we are only using the command line and it feels a bit redundant as everything will soon be removed. I have some previous knowledge about how to connect a GUI to the application but as we are using a completely different framework to do this compared to my previous experiences I find it interesting to learn from some of my more experienced teammates.

During this week I have continued to focus my work on the database. Together with Pontus and Alexander we have tried to continue the implementation of the database in a more generic way, thus hopefully simplifying use of the database in the future as we now have a standard for how to do certain things. This has been done by making a common class for adding, removing and getting data from the database so each new type of connection to the database doesn't need the main connection itself. I have also been working on creating a class, with the help of the builder pattern, to query things with multiple parameters in a more simple way, something I believe has turned out great.

As for the things I wanted to improve from the previous week I feel like I've gained a clearer understanding of how the agile methodology works. I believe one of the main reasons for this has to do with our group having a more structured way of working this week compared to the previous week.

Week 1

Whilst working with the program I've noticed a few areas for personal improvement. One such area is the ability to work agile, thus always starting by constructing a minimal viable product before expanding and further elaborating on features. The main reason why I find this difficult is the fact that I want to finish things I've started and with the MVP methodology I personally feel like it leaves a lot of things unfinished, something I'm not fond of doing. In one of our previous courses we focused on using the waterfall method to expand our project, thus finishing parts of the product and then building more features and I might still be stuck in using this methodology instead.

My contributions towards the sprint goal this week has been to set up the database and establish the connection between our code base and the database, with the help of Gustav, Pontus and Alexander. I've also worked on trying to change the way we query data from the database to make the code more Open-closed, however there has been some difficulties with doing this as our database lacks full compatibility with JavaFx. If the way we query things changes to the next sprint I believe it would simplify a lot of things, leading to the project further developing with less problems.