

# Project Journal

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## Code Artefact

1. Created **.env** file for securing the MongoDB credentials. Sometimes the code editor has to be restarted for environment variables to be updated. It took about **an hour**.
2. Merged code of other teammates in one file. Errors occurred after merging which was solved by mutual discussion and online resources. It took **1 day**.
3. Rewrote the code in a **modular** and **readable** way. Initially the code had poor structure, no comments and improper variable names which was resolved by having a meeting. It took **2 days** for this task.
4. Made the **GitHub repository** for project and pushed the code. Sharing the files was not easy before the GitHub repo. It took about **an hour**.

### Related to Alzheimer's dataset:

1. Imported the dataset (``import_json``) and stored the semi structured data before processing in MongoDB (``store_data_in_mongodb``). The dataset was too large and unstructured, so it was rejected by GitHub and MongoDB. Removed some unrelated rows before and tweaked the structure a bit (``remove_non_smoking_data``, ``get_columns_and_data``) to push it to GitHub and upload to MongoDB. It took **1 day**.
2. Created pandas dataframe (``create_alzheimers_dataframe``) and performed data preprocessing (``clean_and_convert_alzheimers_data``, ``convert_tobacco_data_for_alzheimers_data``) and merged the required fields of tobacco dataset into alzheimer's dataset ``alzheimers_merged_df`` and uploaded the structured dataset to database. Joins on dataframes were not clear so learnt it from online resources. It took **1 day**.
3. Split the ``alzheimers_merged_df`` into two ``merged_df_gender`` and ``merged_df_race`` based on race and gender. Plotted lineplot (``show_line_plot``) and geoplot (``show_geo_plot``). Concept of double line plotting and geoplot was not clear so took help from online resources. It took **half day**.
4. Created the machine learning model ``machine_learning_model``. Used online resources to find out which model is suitable for best results. It took **half day**.

## Report

1. Gave written matter about my work, to be included in Abstract, Introduction part, Methodology part and Conclusion part. It took **1 day**.
2. Read the research paper for Related Work part and contributed critical written matter about 'Construction of a risk prediction model for Alzheimer's disease in the elderly population'. It took **1 day**.
3. Generated IEEE style reference for the literary work, model, technologies used and the dataset for References part. It took **1 Hour**.
4. Assisted in the fine tuning, formatting. Rephrasing the sentences to reduce number of words was challenging. It took **2 hours**.