

WEEK 8 REFLECTION - ERIC

What do I want to learn or understand better?

I would have liked to meet the people at Volvo to get some more insight from them about how it is to work with professional software development. This would have been interesting to relate to what I've experienced working on this project, such as the roadblocks I've hit myself and with my group.

Sadly, I fell ill at the start of the week, and thus I was not able to meet with Volvo and discuss these things. I have, however, spoken with the group about some of the feedback they received. The most interesting one was about the group's mismatched schedules, and how that lead to us having some time issues. For a future project, given similar circumstances, I would focus more on learning and setting up remote systems that will allow us to work efficiently even though we cannot meet in person very often.

How can I help someone else, or the entire team, to learn something new?

I've already answered this question in a fitting way the previous week. This week the group's focus has been on the presentation, and considering I've been sick, I have not been able to spend much time participating in that endeavor.

What is my contribution towards the team's application of Scrum?

For this week, not very much. But as mentioned the previous week, in this final stretch I've spent a lot of my time on discussing and evolving our user stories/tasks.

With what I've experienced during this course, I've come to realise that my issues with our user stories and our muddy tasks should've been brought to discussion immediately, and within context of the course, we should've gotten feedback on them much sooner, since it cost us a lot of time rewriting them.

What is my contribution towards the team's deliveries?.

The team planned much of the presentation by themselves, given my inability to participate. I did however join them in a voice meeting to give my final thoughts on the prototype and how we could give it some minor tweaks before the presentation. I also edited the event generator so it could be started and stopped from pressing the start button, for demoing purposes.

For future projects, the take away from this course for me has been that if I get stuck working on something, I should spend less time trying to solve everything myself and get help if possible. I've wasted much time during this project thanks to my stubbornness. I've also wasted development time due to our, as mentioned, badly

formulated tasks and somewhat bad communication within the team. As such I developed some functionality that is not in use in the final product, which could have been prevented with proper communication from my side.