



Agile Software Processes Assignment – Group BH

Title:

 Agile Practices in Action: Planning, Execution, and Metrics for a Mobile E-commerce App

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Introduction

Objective:

 To simulate a project lifecycle using Agile methodologies, focusing on the development of a mobile e-commerce application.

Key Areas Covered:

- Product Vision and Roadmap: Define the product's long-term goals and outline major milestones over a 6-month period, including three key releases.
- User Stories and Backlog: Develop user-centric requirements using the INVEST criteria and create an initial product backlog with prioritized features and effort estimates.
- **Sprint Planning:** Plan a two-week sprint by selecting user stories, defining tasks, and estimating effort, while aligning with team capacity and product goals.
- Sprint Execution and Review: Simulate daily Scrum meetings, track progress with a burndown chart, and conduct a sprint review to assess completed work and gather feedback.
- Metrics, Flow, and Communication: Analyze team performance metrics such as velocity, defect rate, and task flow management while proposing strategies for continuous improvement and effective communication.



Product Vision & RoadMap

Vision:

To create a Mobile app which serves to selects the products from a retail outlet

Road Map:



Team

The team comprises of Four Devs, one tester & one Scrum Master

Dev 1	Remya
Dev 2	Sreeram
Dev 3	Rahul
Tester	Shefali
Scrum Master	Madhuri

Select a Product

★ Ask Brain to create a summary generate subtasks find similar tasks or ask about this task VERIFICATION Status A Assignees □ Dates Jul 15 - Jul 15 ☐ Priority Sprint Points 3 Empty Add time Track Time ♥ Tags Empty Relationships Empty

User Story:

As a customer

When I see the list of products, I should be able to select the products

So that I can purchase them

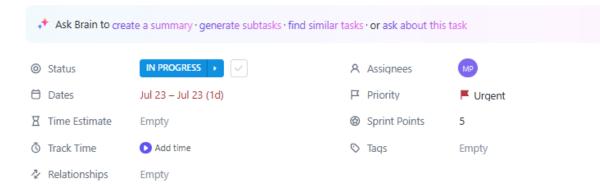
Acceptance Criteria

Given the customer is logged in successfully in the app

When the customer can browse through the products

Then the customer should be able to select the products

Secure Payments - UPI



User Story:

As a Customer

When I click on Buy now

I should be able to proceed with Payment with options for UPI

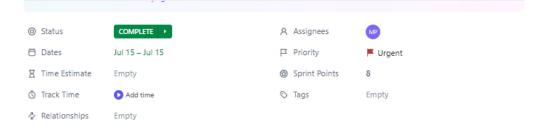
Acceptance Criteria

Given the customer has selected the products in the list

When the customer clicks on Buy now

Then customer should take user to Payments with UPI only

Products to be listed



User Story

As a customer

I want the list of products to be displayed

So that I can browse through the list and select the product for purchase

Acceptance Criteria

Given the customer completes the registration

When the customer logs in successfully

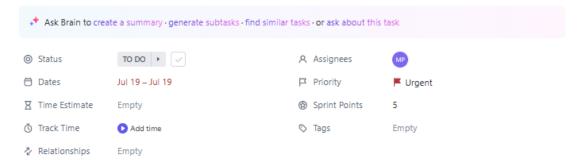
Then the list of products should be displaced to the user

Given the customer logs in successfully

When the customer sees the display of the products

Then the customer should be able to browse through the list

Buy Now



User Story:

As a customer

When I select a product in the list I should be able to buy those products

Acceptance Criteria

Given the user is browsing the product list

When the customer selects the product

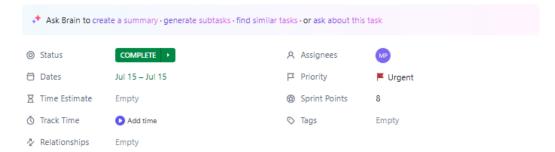
Then the "Buy Now" option should be enabled

Given the user is browsing the product list

When the customer has not selected the product

Then the "Buy Now" option should not be enabled

Products to be listed



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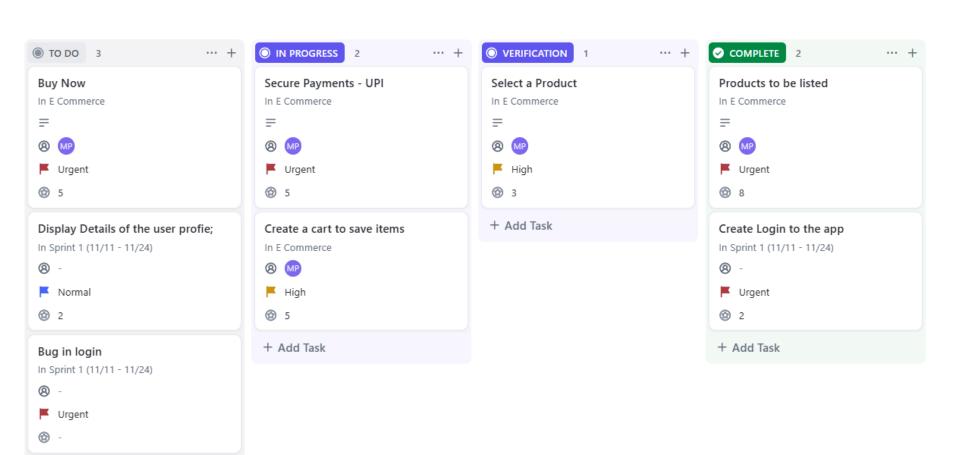
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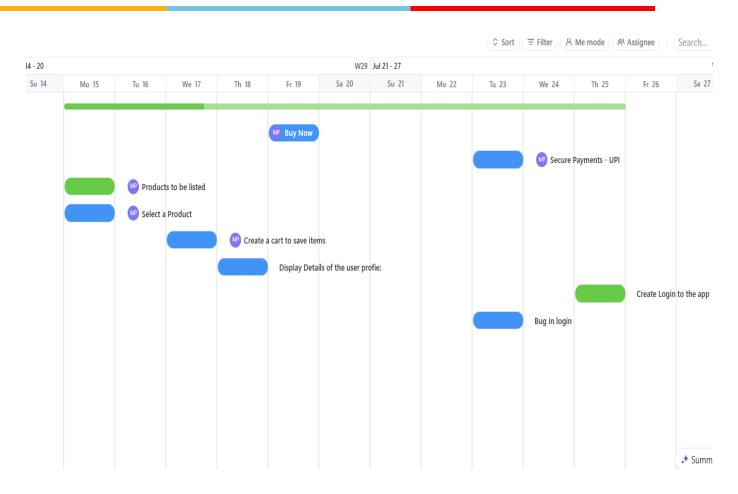
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Sprint 1

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Sprint Planning

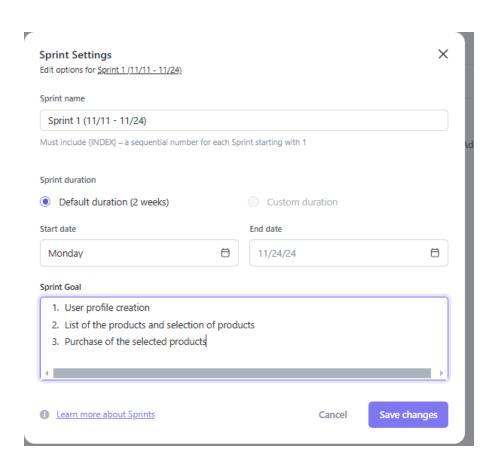


The tasks in the sprint 1 have been planned as per the planned time lines according to team capacity

Sprint Goals

Sprint Goals:

- 1.User profile creation
- 2.List of the products and selection of products
- 3. Purchase of the selected products





Daily Scrum

Format of Daily Scrum:

Each member should talk about

What did you do yesterday? What are you planning to do today? Any Obstacles?

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Remya: I started on Login screen yesterday, completed 2 components. Will complete the 3 component tomorrow Sreeram: I started on Product list. I add the products in database Rahul: I started on Payments UPI. I integrated with the existing API. I will run the simulation tomorrow Shefali: I had a trouble yesterday while testing integrating the UI with API for login. I raised a bug. I will complete the test cases for other tasks	Remya: I have completed the 3rd component. Will unit test and push to verification today Sreeram: Data tables are ready, I will push the data to API today Rahul: I will run the simulation today. UPI integration is complete Shefali: The bug has been reassigned to me for testing. I have environment issues to connect. Will test it as soon as the issue is resolved	Remya: I have pushed the code for testing. I will pick another card for dev today Sreeram: I will continue on yesterday tasks today Rahul: The simulation is still going on. Will complete it tomorrow Shefali: All the test cases are ready. The impediment I has yesterday is resolved



Sprint Planning

Sprint Goal:

•Goal: Deliver a functional shopping cart and checkout system to enhance user purchasing capabilities.

Selected User Stories for the Sprint:

- As a user, I want to add products to a shopping cart so I can view them before purchase.
 - Story Points: 5
- As a user, I want to modify quantities or remove items from my cart for more flexibility during purchase.
 - Story Points: 8
- As a user, I want a secure checkout process with multiple payment options to ensure trust and security.
 - Story Points: 10
- As a user, I want to receive a purchase confirmation via email to validate my order.
 - Story Points: 7

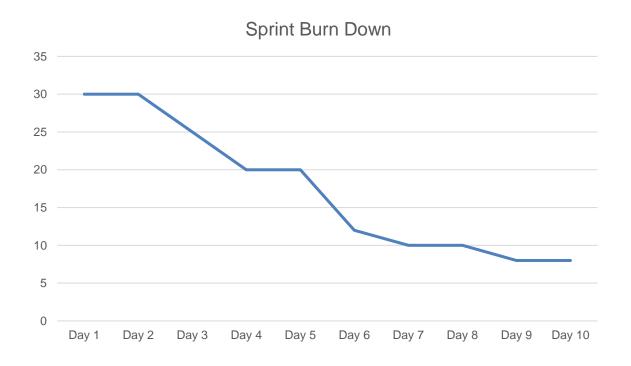
- Task Breakdown:
- Add Products to Cart:
 - Develop "Add to Cart" functionality (3 hrs)
 - Update user interface for cart (4 hrs)
- Modify/Remove Cart Items:
 - Create item modification options (5 hrs)
 - Backend update and synchronization (6 hrs)
- Checkout Process:
 - Integrate payment gateway (8 hrs)
 - Security and data validation (5 hrs)
- Order Confirmation Email:
 - Develop email notification system (4 hrs)
 - Integration with order database (3 hrs)
 - Testing and email validation (4 hrs)

Justification for User Story Selection:

- •**Prioritization Basis:** Selected user stories are high-priority items aligned with the product vision of delivering core e-commerce functionality.
- •**Team Capacity:** Based on a team velocity of 30 story points, the chosen stories fit within the capacity constraints, ensuring manageable workload distribution among four developers and one tester.

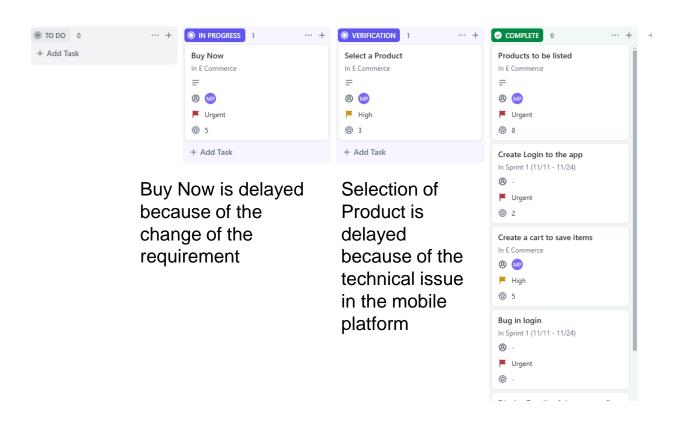
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Burn Down Chart



Task Board post Sprint Completion





Stakeholder Feedback Summary:

Positive Feedback:

- Smooth shopping cart functionality, easy to use.
- Checkout process well-received for its security features and multiple payment options.

Improvement Areas:

- Stakeholders suggested enhancing the UI for the order summary screen to make it more user-friendly.
- Requested the addition of a progress indicator during the checkout process.

Proposed Scope Adjustments for Next Sprint:

- **1.Complete the pending "Purchase Confirmation Email"** user story with additional testing and integration improvements.
- **2.Incorporate UI enhancements** based on stakeholder feedback to improve the order summary screen and add a checkout progress indicator.
- **3.Plan and prioritize** any new user stories derived from stakeholder suggestions, ensuring alignment with the overall product vision.



Sprint Review

Sprint Completion Status:

- Completed User Stories:
 - Add products to a shopping cart (Story Points: 5)
 - Modify and remove items from the cart (Story Points: 8)
 - Secure checkout process with multiple payment options (Story Points: 10)
- Incomplete User Story:
 - Purchase confirmation email (Story Points: 7)
 - Reason for Non-Completion: Delayed due to dependencies on order database integration and additional testing requirements.

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Sprint Retrospective

Retrospective Highlights:

- Start Doing:
 - O **Daily Pair Programming:** Encourage developers to work together on complex tasks to improve code quality and reduce defects.
 - Early Stakeholder Demos: Conduct mid-sprint demos with stakeholders to gather early feedback, minimizing major revisions later.
 - O **Dedicated Blocker Resolution Meetings:** Allocate short, focused meetings to quickly resolve blockers.
- Stop Doing:
 - Over-committing to Story Points: Avoid adding too many user stories to the sprint, which can lead to unfinished work.
 - O **Multi-tasking Across Stories:** Reduce switching between user stories to improve individual focus and task completion.
 - O **Extensive Manual Testing:** Shift towards automated testing to save time and improve accuracy.
- Continue Doing:
 - O Daily Stand-Up Meetings: Maintain short, focused daily stand-ups to align on tasks and discuss blockers.
 - Regular Code Reviews: Continue peer code reviews to ensure coding standards, knowledge sharing, and improved quality.
 - O **Transparent Progress Tracking:** Use tools such as task boards and burndown charts to visualize progress and adapt plans.

Expected Improvements for the Next Sprint:

- Increased Team Efficiency: Pair programming and blocker resolution will accelerate task completion.
- Enhanced Quality and Stakeholder Satisfaction: Early demos will ensure alignment with stakeholder expectations.
- Focused Workflow: Reduced multi-tasking will lead to higher productivity and better story completion rates.

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Metrics Analysis

1. Velocity Trend Anal	ysis:
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•	Observed	Trend	Over	3	Sprints:
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- O Sprint 1: 2 Stories are pending
- O Sprint 2: All stories are done
- O Sprint 3: All stories are done

Inconsistencies Identified:

- O Slight fluctuations due to unexpected dependencies and scope changes.
- Proposed Solutions:
 - Improve Task Breakdown: Break down large stories into smaller, manageable tasks to enhance estimation accuracy.
 - O **Buffer for Unplanned Work:** Allocate a buffer for unforeseen tasks or urgent issues that may arise during sprints.

2. Defect Rate and Lead Time:

- Defect Rate Analysis:
 - O Increased defects noted when new features were integrated without automated testing coverage.
- Lead Time Evaluation:
 - O Longer lead times were observed due to delayed dependencies and testing cycles.
- Improvement Suggestions:
 - O Implement Automated Testing: Increase coverage to detect issues earlier and reduce manual testing time.
 - Adopt Continuous Integration (CI): Use CI pipelines to ensure that code changes are continuously built, tested, and integrated.
- 3. Task Flow Management Strategy:
- Issue: Tasks getting stuck in "In Progress" due to unresolved dependencies.
- Proposed Solutions:
 - O **Swarming:** Have team members collaborate to resolve blockers together quickly.
 - O Limit Work In Progress (WIP): Restrict the number of tasks being worked on at any given time to reduce bottlenecks.
 - O **Enhanced Communication:** Use daily stand-ups and additional check-ins focused on dependency resolution to ensure smooth task flow.



Task Flow Management

Task Flow Management Strategy:

- Scenario: Tasks stuck in "In Progress" due to unresolved dependencies.
- Proposed Solutions:
 - Swarming Technique: The team works collectively to resolve high-priority blockers, pooling expertise to speed up task completion.
 - Limit Work In Progress (WIP): Enforce limits on the number of concurrent tasks to avoid bottlenecks and enhance focus.
 - Effective Communication: Schedule focused discussions to address and clear dependencies quickly.
 Use daily stand-ups and ad-hoc sync meetings as needed.

Information Radiator Design:

- Visual Components:
 - O Task Board: Clearly displays tasks in columns as "To Do," "In Progress," "Verification," and "Done."
 - Burndown Chart: Tracks progress of completed story points over the sprint period, providing a visual cue on remaining workload.
 - Dependency Tracker: Highlights tasks waiting on dependencies, ensuring blockers are prioritized.

Benefits of an Information Radiator:

- Improved Transparency: All team members and stakeholders can see sprint progress at a glance, enhancing accountability.
- Real-Time Updates: Enables quick course corrections and status alignment.
- Enhanced Communication: Facilitates proactive discussions on blockers and progress during stand-ups and reviews, fostering collaboration and trust.



Conclusion

Summary of Agile Practices Applied:

- Product Vision and Roadmap Creation: Defined a clear vision and outlined major milestones to guide development.
- User Stories and Backlog Management: Developed user stories using the INVEST criteria, prioritized backlog items, and estimated story points.
- Sprint Planning and Execution: Conducted sprint planning, broke down tasks, and managed a simulated two-week sprint with daily stand-ups, burndown tracking, and progress monitoring.
- **Sprint Review and Retrospective:** Assessed completed stories, gathered stakeholder feedback, and identified areas of improvement for future iterations.
- **Metrics Analysis and Flow Management:** Analyzed velocity trends, defect rates, and task flow, proposing strategies to optimize productivity, communication, and quality.

Key Takeaways:

- Adaptability: Agile enables teams to rapidly adapt to changes, ensuring that the product remains aligned with evolving stakeholder needs.
- Collaboration: Effective communication, collaboration, and transparency are at the heart of Agile, leading to more cohesive team efforts and better outcomes.
- Continuous Improvement: Agile's iterative approach encourages regular assessment and refinement of processes, enhancing product quality and team performance over time.

Final Thought:

Agile Practices Drive Success: By applying Agile principles and metrics, teams can ensure their work is
efficient, transparent, and aligned with business goals, resulting in a superior product and satisfied
stakeholders.

Thank You