

## **Lab 2 writeup**

At the end of lab 2 we were asked to describe any difficulties we have encountered and thoughts we had on the assignment. First of all, I think for the next time the students should be informed in advance that they need to create an openweathermap.org account as there is a short (but potentially up to a few hours) cooldown before one can use their key. Stage 1 of the assignment was described in detail that made rather straightforward, but perhaps for the next time we could include a section in there, or in one of the Markdown files, about troubleshooting your app – for instance that problems with the http-service can be tracked by having something printed in the function as it will show up in the terminal etc. I found it somewhat tricky to tie together findout of the type alt\_question and the grammar, especially when there were answers that could occur in both alternatives (what city and country). In the third part, it was maybe somewhat problematic to figure out how to account for one parameter being optional in the Python function, but it was nothing that was unsolvable, though perhaps we could talk more about what input and output these functions receive/give, since it was later problematic once more when RASA was included. Finally, I struggled quite a bit getting the GitHub pages to work, I believe that process could be detailed a bit better.

Overall, while it may seem like I have a lot of complaints, I do not want it to come across as such – I enjoyed the assignment and solving the problems, and it was definitely not as tough as some other assignments in the program, and the help was always adequate. In some of the cases mentioned above I believe that some time and effort can be saved if different descriptions or information is included in the assignment description or lectures.