



During Sprint 2, we identified tasks with dependencies and mapped them in a network diagram to determine the **critical path**. Tasks that relied on database schemas or specific API endpoints were prioritized early to avoid bottlenecks later in the sprint.

Strategies to Keep the Sprint on Schedule

To ensure that work progressed smoothly and that dependencies did not cause delays, we implemented the following strategies:

- **Daily Standups:** Regular check-ins helped identify blockers early and keep everyone aligned.
- **Pair Programming for Critical Tasks:** This approach improved efficiency and ensured complex issues were tackled collaboratively.
- **Early Planning for Database-Dependent Tasks:** At the start of the sprint, we scheduled meetings to discuss and finalize database schema requirements, ensuring that dependent tasks could proceed without delays.

Challenge: Why We Could Not Complete AP-34

One significant challenge was **AP-34**, which we were unable to complete due to unforeseen complexity. The reasons were:

- The API endpoint required handling **more cases than initially expected**, increasing development time.
- Complex **validation logic** was necessary to ensure progress tracking worked correctly.

Lessons Learned

This experience highlighted the importance of:

- **Better Story Point Estimation:** We underestimated the complexity of FIN-53, which led to delays. Moving forward, we will allocate more time for analyzing tasks before assigning story points.
- **Frequent Check-ins to Mitigate Delays:** We held meetings to identify blockers early and reassign work as needed to keep the sprint moving forward.