# IT2901 - Informatics Project II

# IDI Open Programming Contest System

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## Foreword

Originally inspired by the Nordic Collegiate Programming Contest (NCPC), it has been held at NTNU every spring since 2007. The format is a five-hour contest with competing teams consisting of one, two or three contestants. A team of volunteer judges write the problems and answer clarification requests during the contest, while another team hands out balloons for each solved problem. Usually a rather hectic affair, it is extremely important that everything is well prepared. The number of teams is often more than 100, with the record being 162 teams in 2011

The contest system that verifies solutions is at the heart of the contest when it is in progress, and needs to be working perfectly at all times. The system must handle several submissions per second, while verifying that each one is correct and runs within the set resource limits. Submissions must show up on the high score list, and when problems are solved the team handing out balloons must be notified. In addition to this there were a lot of other functional requirements having to do with the bureaucracy of organizing the contest

A requirement was that new features could be easily added in the future, and the code was written with this in mind. The project will now become open source, and all programming contest enthusiasts will soon be able to request and implement their desired features

All aspects of this project have been pleasing and delightful for us. The team has exceeded all our expectations and their system will be used for years to come.

- Christian Chavez, IDI Open Manager

## Preface

Before there were computers, there were algorithms. But now that there are computers, there are even more algorithms, and algorithms lie at the heart of computing. Designing a system for eager students to hone their skill in the heart of computing has been a true joy.

Our group never wanted to settle for adequacy and mere requisiteness. For the past few months, weve taught ourselves a new programming language and framework and used advanced development frameworks - while tackling many social and technical conflicts.

We have proven how "Ambition is a dream with a V8 engine", as Elvis Presley once said.

The group would like to thank our eager customers, Finn Inderhaug Holme, Christian Chavez and Christian Neverdal Jonassen for their time to meet us and provide constructive feedback. We also owe a big thanks to our supervisor, Hong Guo, for constructive criticism and reflections; without which, we would not ascertain the peak of our own potential.

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## Chapter 1

## Introduction

## 1.1 The Course

Our group and assignment has been delegated as part of the course IT2901: "Informatics Project II" at NTNU. The work covers 15 course credits, equivalent to a 50% work position for one academic semester. IT2901 is offered only to those that are enrolled on the NTNU's informatics BSc programme.

The primary purpose of the course is to let students apply their knowledge from other courses. This is rendered through a project for a real customer. The students have to communicate independently with their client, and deliver a software product that answers the client's needs.

Grades are based on the satisfaction of the customers and an evaluation of the development process. The latter will be reviewed through written reports and timesheets, as provided in this document. Furthermore, it is important that students have met the given deadlines and documented their work in a structured manner.

## 1.2 The Group

The team consists of six members. All the members of the group are completing their BSc degree in Computer Science from NTNU in 2014. We had prior experience working together, and knew each other well. With many shared courses and similar interests, the team are all at a somewhat similar level of competence. However, we have different areas of expertise, and exploiting this has been a key to success on previous occasions. For a detailed description of each member, see the listing below.

#### Anders Sildnes

Throughout his BSc, Anders has been taking courses related to algorithms and program security. Apart from his studies, he is developing for Engineers without Borders NTNU and spending time with open-source projects and other Linux tools.

#### Eirik Fosse

Eirik has a primary interest in artificial intelligence and machine learning. In the course of his bachelor's degree he's focused on programming, mathematics, and evolutionary simulation.

#### Filip Fjuk Egge

While achieving his degree, Filip has taken courses focused on a path related to system development and security. He has a varied education and knowledge on different aspects of computer science.

#### Haakon Konrad William Aasebø

Haakon has selected disciplines related to mathematics and algorithms. Apart from being a student at NTNU he is playing football at NTNUI in the third division.

#### Håkon Gimnes Kaurel

During his time at NTNU, Håkon has been keeping a primary focus on courses related to programming and the intersection between hardware and software. He also has experience as an app developer, and has extensive knowledge of the GNU/Linux operating system.

### Tino Lazreg

Tino has been taking courses related to different aspects of software engineering, like programming, system architecture, human-machine interaction. Besides doing a BSc, Tino also works as a student assistant in a human-machine interaction course on NTNU.

## 1.3 The Customer

Our customer is IDI Open. They are responsible for the annual programming contest mentioned in section 1.4. Christian Chavez is our main contact for the project, but his two colleagues, Christian Neverdal Jonassen and Finn Inderhaug Holme, were also available for questions. They are all students of computer science at NTNU.

## 1.4 The Contest

IDI Open is a programming contest where teams of up to three people meet and solve programming problems of various difficulty. The contest lasts five hours, and the objective is to solve as many problems as possible. The contest is open for all types of programmers, from students of all grades to professors and other professionals from the IT industry. Various prizes are given to the teams based on their performance. There are usually 8-12 problems in a contest. To make the competition fun for everyone, there are typically some problems that are easy enough even for novice programmers to handle. The main objective is to solve the highest amount of problems in the shortest amount of time.

## 1.5 Stakeholders

Our stakeholder fall into two different categories: the ones involved in the course, and those involved in the product and competition.

#### 1.5.1 Course

#### Supervisor

The supervisor's job consists of guiding and helping us through this project. This aid was primarily focused on the development process and the writing of this report. The supervisor tries to ensure that the developers communicate properly and have a structured approach to developing the end product. To verify this, we have had biweekly status reports delivered to the supervisor, as well as regular meetings.

#### Examiner

The examiner(s) is responsible for determining our final grade. Unlike the other stakeholders, we have not communicated with the examiner throughout the development process. Though, the examiner has got access to all the documents the supervisor has got access to.

### 1.5.2 Product and Competition

### IDI Open

The project's primary stakeholders. They are the host of the competition in which our product was used. Their inclusion in this product comprised all aspects of our project.

#### Judges

The judges are hired by IDI Open to supervise the competition, service contestants and create problem sets. Throughout the process they have given feedback to our customers, IDI Open, about our product. Naturally, the judges are important to the contest, so it is important that they are satisfied with the software they have to use.

#### Developers

The developers are responsible for satisfying all other parties. Similar to the customer, our involvement in this project is total.

#### Maintainers

As IDI Open is an annual event, our end product, will be used for many years in the future. At a point, we assume the code will need to be extended or modified by another developer team. As such, the quality of our product will impact them.

#### Sponsors

Each contest has companies sponsoring them. In exchange for money and services, the sponsors get exposure through ads on the website and are given the opportunity to hold a short presentation after the contest. Naturally, the sponsors want to associate their name with a successful product. Therefore, the sponsors rely on successful contests. This is heavily based on our products performance.

#### Contestants

The actions of contestants are all through our software; our product will be their medium to take part in IDI Open. Reliability and usability is key to keep the contestants happy. The contestants also gave feedback to the customers about their user experience. Thus, how satisfied the contestants are impacts the developer's evaluation.

## 1.6 Goals

Our assignment is to replace the existing system used in IDI Open. We were given sole responsibility for our project; no other team or organization of developers has had responsibility for our solution. This gave us inspiration to do the best we could, and to give the customer something both we and they could be proud of for years to come. If the product is good enough it would hopefully also be used in larger programming competitions, maybe even international ones.

## Chapter 2

## Task Description and Overview

## 2.1 Task Description and Overview

The first step in our development process was to get a brief overview of our complete system. To do this, we have followed a conventional style of designing UML use cases together with a textual description. From reading this chapter, the reader should be able to understand how our end product works. The assumptions and constraints that affected our process are also discussed in section 2.4. Reading this chapter will be important to understand the rest of this report.

## 2.2 Assignment

According to our customer, IDI Open's previous solution was cumbersome to use. Our assignment was to create a replacement system that would be easier to administer. This included replacing both front and back-end systems.

The features of the old solution, in a nutshell, are given below.

- Website containing information about the contest
- Team-registration and scoring
- Ability for users to upload code to be compiled and executed

We were given access to the code for the old solution. The customers felt that this code was cluttered, but we could re-use components wherever we wanted. However, it was important that we did this in an structured manner, such that other developers could easily understand the new solution.

## 2.3 GentleIDI

Since we were delivering an end product to a real customer, we wanted to present ourselves as a real company. We chose the name "GentleCoding" as our representative name. This was used to name our repositories, email lists and other media communicated with external parties.

The term "Gentle" is supposed to represent our calm approach to problems. It is also similar to "Gentleman", which reminds of quality and good conduct. Furthermore, it is easy to interpret and remember.

Since we were developing a new system, we also wanted to brand our product. We wanted to keep it logical and simple, so we decided on "GentleIDI". Consequently, GentleIDI may be used to refer to our end product throughout the rest of the report.

## 2.4 Assumptions and Constraints

To define what is satisfactory, we have made some assumptions and defined some constraints. Table 2.1 should make it easier to understand how we have reasoned our system design.

Table 2.1: Assumtions and constraints

Assumption/Constraint	Why	Implication
The system will be maintained	People that are involved with	User design, words and defini-
by people who have experience	any programming contest are	tions can be made more techni-
with computers.	typically programmers them-	cal. Error messages can be ex-
	selves.	plained using computer lingo.
The system will be used and	Customer-constraint: they do	The code should be written in
maintained for $> 5$ years	not want to spend too much	a modular, extensible way with
	time developing new products, so maintenance is preferred.	clear documentation.
The customer is based at		High availability for customer
Gløshaugen.		meetings and reviews.
The developers will maintain	To finish the product on time.	The set of requirements should
a 20 hour a week work ethic		not require more than 20 hours
throughout the project-duration		of work per week per developer,
of 19 weeks.		in order to complete.
Our system should be user-	Our solution features a web in-	Should have a user-friendly inter-
friendly	terface available to everyone.	face.
	Ideally, any person should be	
	comfortable with the user inter-	
0 1 1 4 11 1	face.	NI
Our end product will be open sourced.	To ensure quality, and let other volunteers contribute to the code	No proprietary third party modules can be used. We cannot
sourced.		
The final product must run on	repository.  This is the choice of OS by	copyright our own material.  Linux-compliant solution.
Linux-computers.	NTNU, which is responsible for	Linux-compliant solution.
Linux-computers.	technical support and server ac-	
	cess.	
We are allowed to use whatever	Speed up development.	Speed up development.
third party plugin we want, as	speed up development.	speed up development.
long as it is free and has no		
copyright-conflict.		

Do note that the implications in table 2.1 were not necessarily upheld. Rather, they were used as initial bounds to permit leeway. For example, imposing that third party plugins will speed up development does not mean that we would alway prioritize software re-use.

## 2.5 Roles and Their Definitions

## 2.5.1 Usergroups

Within the application-domain of GentleIDI there are different groups of users. Each group has different levels of access control, and once a user is made a member of that group, they inherit those rights. A user may have membership in all groups. A privileged user is someone who is given elevated permissions. Table 2.2 shows the different roles and their available actions. Further elaborations on each group will also be given in later sections, but table 2.2 should suffice for an overview.

Table 2.2: Usergroup overview

ID	Story
Role	Description
Admin	Privileged. An admin can modify all the available settings
	of the system
Judge	Privileged. Similar to an admin account, but with a lim-
	ited set of actions: answering questions (clarification sys-
	tem), upload problem to be solved, solutions to those prob-
	lems, and incorrect answers (e.g. answers that will provide
	penalty).
Functionary	Privileged. Functionaries hand out balloons when a team
	has solved a problem. To determine what team will be given
	a balloon, the functionaries have their own interface with a
	team overview.
Contestants	A contestant has an account on the system and has the
	possibility to enter and compete in a contest.
Team	A group of one to three contestants. A contestant is only
	part of one team per contest, and need a team in order to
	compete.

## 2.5.2 Service-providing Units

Another way of viewing the task description in section 2.1, is to say that our solution needs to do three actions: serve web-content, store data and execute user-submitted code. Since each of these operates with different protocols, we will think to our solution as composed of three different systems. These are described in table 2.3.

Entity **Features** Protocol Processes requests from contestants and teams. Also acts as an interface to the execution node, HTTP Webserver both receiving and transmitting data to other execution nodes on the behalf of users. A service, often on a dedicated platform, that offers the ability to compile and execute code. The Execution node **AMQP** execution node returns output data to the web-The storage unit for all user-data and logs. Database SQL

Table 2.3: Service-providing Units

## 2.6 UML Use Cases

We need one page each for privileged, registered, and non-registered users. That is, one interface for administrative users, one for contestants, and one for non-registered viewers. From each of these three, we defined use case scenarios. Figures figs. 2.1 and 2.2 models the available workflows and actions for each category of users. Table 2.4 describes the semantics of objects used in the diagram, which should be equivalent to the UML 2.0 standard.

Table 2.4: UML Notation

关	Use case actor. Represents a user group
<b>──</b> ▷	UML generalization arrow. Used to indicate inheritance. The arrow's tail represents the entity that inherits from where the arrow points to.
< <include>&gt;</include>	UML stereotype to represent a mandatory extension to a workflow.
< <extend>&gt;</extend>	UML stereotype to indicate that if certain conditions are met in a flow, the entity to which this arrow points to can extend the workflow.

The purpose of the use case diagrams is to give a clear overview of what users shall be able to accomplish from our system. Furthermore, use case diagrams are easier to communicate to external parties, such that it is easier to agree on the system's properties. The use case diagrams were used early in development to agree on the requirements specification and to communicate what we were trying to accomplish.

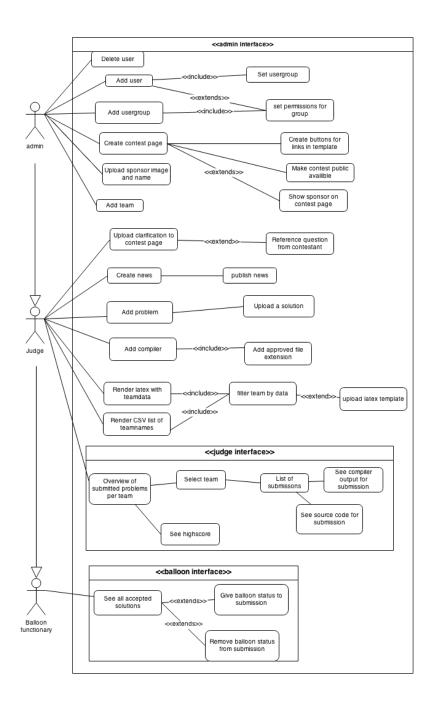


Figure 2.1: UML use case for priviliged users

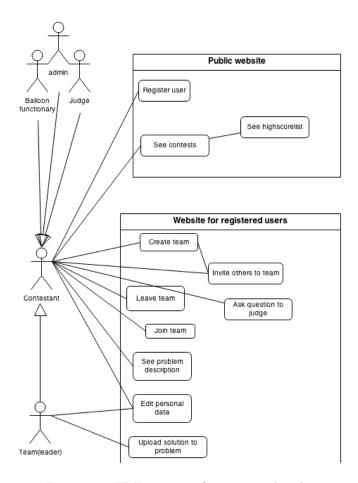


Figure 2.2: UML use case for non-privileged users

As seen in figures figs. 2.1 and 2.2, admins has privileges to perform the actions of any other group, in addition to their own set of actions. Thus, membership in the admin group gives a user complete control in the application domain. Furtherly, it can be noted that all usergroups have the opportunity to act as a contestant to review the website. Privileged users will are still restricted from appearing in the official high score tables to prevent them from assuming a competing role. This was to avoid the chance of any person with access to the solutions to compete.

## Chapter 3

# **Project Management**

This chapter will go through the different project roles we deemed important. We will explain our development method, which tools we use and give an overview of how we planned the project. Furthermore, in section 3.4.1. We also provide a structured overview of how we organized our time.

## 3.1 Project Roles

We wanted to ensure that all developers had an even workload and experience in all components of our project. We maintained a flat organizational structure where all decisions were made in groups. No member would work alone on a task for a longer period of time. Some tasks and delegations were easier to assign only once.

The most central role is that of the scrum master. The role mainly consists of setting up meeting agendas and keeping control of what team members are working on. In addition, the scrum master should act as a buffer between the team and other distractions. The scrum master had a casting vote whenever there was a disagreement. The group elected Haakon to be scrum master because of his well established authority and organization.

We also assigned the role of a transcriptionist. His job consists of writing a short summary of every meeting, and making this available to the rest of the group. This includes meetings with the customer and supervisor. This job was performed by Anders, who volunteered for the position. We assigned Håkon to be customer contact, and Tino as responsible for room reservations.

## 3.2 Development Method (Scrum)

Scrum focuses on having daily meetings, and constantly adjusting to changes by iterative development. This makes it easier to predict and to adjust for problems that may occur. It was hard to predict what would happen in our project, therefore our sprints were short, lasting at most two

weeks. The transition between two sprints was done during a prolonged meeting on Wednesdays. During this meeting we evaluated the latest sprint and planned the upcoming one. Every team member were requested to say three good things and three bad things regarding the last sprint. This was followed by a discussion of how to plan the next sprint better. Lastly we showed what had been completed, to the other members of the group, before setting up the next sprint. Scrum also focuses on having finished versions of the systems on each iteration, and to finish all packages in the given iteration. In order to take advantage of the best in everyone's abilities we worked in pairs where this was efficient. Working in pairs is common in agile development. This was to improve code quality and reduce errors.

## 3.3 Tools/Framework

The customer wanted our end product to be easy to maintain for future developers. Therefore we have chosen tools that are well known and easy to learn. Some of the most important are:

- Django, a framework written in Python.
- VIM and Eclipse for editing
- Google Drive and latex for documentation
- Git as version control, with github as hosting service
- Email lists, IRC and Facebook for communication
- Bootstrap and Grappelli for user interface design

A lot of different tools were considered for this system. A full list of all tools and frameworks used and considered can be viewed in appendix *Tools and Frameworks*.

## 3.4 Project-Level Planning

After our initial requirements elicitation we began to plan our development process. The purpose of the plan was to verify that we had enough time to complete the requirements, and to avoid unforeseen risks. This section will present the various components we introduced to structurize the project.

#### 3.4.1 Work Breakdown Structure

WBS is a decomposition of the project into phases, deliverables and work packages. Each package was further broken down into different tasks. The benefits from the WBS are as follows:

- Planning out the entire process prevents bottlenecks
- Clearly defining the scope of a package prevents excess or insufficient time usage
- It is easy for supervisors and other parties to evaluate and understand our process

Table 3.1 shows the work breakdown structure created. These high-level packages were later broken down into activities, which are in the product backlog, see appendix E

Table 3.1: Work breakdown structure

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1. Project management
    1.1. Write timesheet template
    1.2. Look at the reflection notes
    1.3. Meetings
        1.3.1. Internal
        1.3.2. Customer
        1.3.3. supervisor
    1.4. Report
        1.4.1. Preliminary version
        1.4.2. Mid-semester version
        1.4.3. Final version
    1.5. Risk assessment
    1.6. WBS
    1.7. Status report
    1.8. Activity plans
2. Pre-study
    2.1. Install and learn tools
    2.2. \ \ Learn\ language/framework
    2.3. Course
3. Design
    3.1. Requirement Specification
        3.1.1. Functional
3.1.2. Non-functional
    3.2. System architecture
3.3. Database modeling
    3.4. User Interface
        3.4.1. Prototyping
        3.4.2. Usability Testing
    3.5. Admin interface
4. Development
     4.1. Backend
        4.1.1. Execution-node(s)
           4.1.1.1. Web-page
    4.2. User management
        4.2.1. User
        4.2.2. Usergroups
        4.2.3. Team management
    4.3. Statistics
    4.4. Contest management
    4.5. Clarification system
    4.6. Balloons system
    4.7. Unit testing
5. Testing
    5.1. User-test
    5.2. System-test
    5.3. Final test
6. Implementation
    6.1. Deploy to production
    6.2. Installation
    6.3. Turn in to stakeholder
7. Implementation
    7.1. Verify
    7.2. Document
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We also created a gantt chart. Here, each package was assigned an estimated time period, over how long time we expected to use. For ease of comprehension, not every package was included from the WBS. The gantt chart is shown in figure 3.2

Table 3.2: Gantt chart

WP Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Project management															
WBS															
Pre-study															
Install and learn tools															
Learn language/framework															
Course															
Design															
Requirement specification															
System architecture															
Database modelling															
Tests															
User-interface															
Development															
Execution node															
Implement single node															
Implement several nodes															
Content Management System															
Front end															
Testing															
Unit testing															
Integration testing															
System test															
Production															
Post-implementation															

The gantt chart was revised several times during the first four sprints, mainly due to new deadlines set by the customer.

#### 3.4.2 Milestones

Throughout the project, the supervisor, customer, and the project group set deadlines. Some of the milestones marks the completion of work packages. We have four of these milestones, M-03, M-05, M-06 and M-07. The other milestones represents events with deadlines that were given by the course stakeholders. These are M-01, M-02, M-04, M-08. The group used the milestones in order to determine if the project is on schedule and to monitor the progress. The reader can view what requirements that were met for each milestone in 5.4.1.

Date	09.02.	09.03.	19.03.	19.03.	11.04.	26.04.	03.05.	30.05.
Week	3	6	8	8	11	14	15	18
Name	Prelimin-	Mid-	First re-	Presen-	Beta re-	IDI	IDI	Final
	ary	semester	lease	tation	lease	Open	Open	Report
	report	report				test		
						event		
ID	M-01	M-02	M-03	M-04	M-05	M-06	M-07	M-08

Table 3.3: Milestone name and deadlines

**Preliminary report M-01** Preliminary report is the delivery of the first version of the report. This was to help us get started with important aspects of the project work.

Mid-semester report M-02 This version of the report should present all of the analysis and most of the design of our system. The delivery date for the mid-semester report is 16th of March. We wanted to complete this one week earlier, 9th of March, focus on M-03.

First release M-03 This milestone marks the groups first delivery to the customer. In summary this release should make it possible for contestants to sign up for a competition. Three days prior to the release the group will meet up with the customer and overlook that all the requirements are met. This meeting will also act as an introduction on how to manage the system.

**Presentation M-04** The main purpose of the presentation is for the class to share their experiences and learn from other groups.

Beta-release M-05 The beta release should contain most of the essential features. This version of the program should only be a release to a selected group of people.

**IDI Open test event M-06** On April 26th there will be a test event where everybody could test the system. This means that leading up to this event the system should be a release candidate.

IDI Open M-07 This is the day of the competition and the system should be a release version.

Final report M-08 This milestone marks the final date for delivering the report and the end of our project. Based on feedback received from the competition the group might choose to implement some changes to the system.

### 3.4.3 Meetings

Our meetings can be categorized in three categories: internal, supervisor and customer meeting. We established some meetings rules:

- All meetings follow "the academic quarter", meaning that the time of start was XX:15
- Members that were late had to bring a cake to the next meeting
- All members may at any time propose a coffee break, a proposal that has to be followed.
- No laptop should be open during the meetings

#### **Internal Meetings**

We had three internal meetings each week. Two of which were daily scrum meetings. These were primarily set to be on Mondays and Thursdays. During these meetings each group member would answer three questions:

- What have you done since the last meeting?
- What are you planning to do until the next meeting?
- Do you have any problems regarding the completion of your task?

The group would usually continue to work together after these meetings.

On Wednesday we had longer meetings marking the end of one sprint and the beginning of the next. This meeting would consist of a sprint review meeting and a sprint retrospective, where we discussed

- What was good/bad with the last sprint?
- What should we try to improve during the next sprint?

After that we held a sprint planning meeting and created a new sprint backlog. Our official meeting structure for this meeting can be viewed in the Appendix ??

#### Supervisor Meeting

Meetings with the supervisor was generally held at a biweekly basis. During these meetings we talked about what we had done, what we were going to do and received feedback on what we had done. Our template for meeting transcriptions is given in Appendix L. Before each meeting we had to deliver status reports and activity charts. These activity diagrams were early on replaced by sprint backlog and burndown charts to facilitate the development process.

### **Customer Meeting**

Customer meetings were held whenever we felt that a certain part of the requirements specification was unclear to us, and when we wanted approval of a newly completed feature. Throughout the

semester there were a lot of meetings. As we never decided upon a fixed interval between customer meetings, the frequency varied a lot. The couple of days leading up to a release date often contained customer meetings in order to get everything right before starting on the next release. During our periods of focusing on writing this report, the frequency of these meetings naturally went down as the product did not progress, and as a consequence we had little to discuss with the customer.

### 3.4.4 Resources

This section contains the available resources for the project. We intended to use a minimum of 20/25 hours per person each week, but prepared for more work as we approached the deadline. This estimate was later scaled up to a minimum of 25/30 two weeks before easter. During easter, the amount of hours per week scaled up higher.

### Planned Work

Table 3.4 shows our first initial draft of sprints.

Table 3.4: Initial sprint overview

Sprint	Range (week)	Days	Hours
1	3 - 4	7	15
2	4 - 5	7	20
3	5 - 6	7	20
4	6 - 7	7	20
5	7 - 8	7	20
6	8 - 9	7	20
7	9 - 10	7	20
8	10 - 11	7	20
9	11 -12	7	20
10	12 -13	7	20
11	13 - 14	7	20
12	14 - 15	9	33
Easter	15 - 17	12	-
13	17 - 18	7	35
14	18 - 19 (Leading up to event)	9	35
After	19 - 22	21	50
Total:		91	368

## **Actual Work**

Table 3.5 shows the actual sprints and work done. The hours are for each person, during that sprint.

Table 3.5: Actual work

Sprint	Week	Days	Hours
1	3-4	7	15
2	4-5	7	15
3	5-6	7	20
4	6-7	7	20
5	7-8	7	27
6	8-9	7	31
7	10-11	7	35
8	11-12	7	30
9	12-13	7	30
10	14-15	9	40
11	15-17 (starting 16.04, ending 26.04, easter)	10	90
12	18-19	6	35
After	19-22	21	65
Total		100	453

## Chapter 4

# Prestudy

Before we started the actual development of GentleIDI, we needed to get an overview of what options were available to us. There are many Web development frameworks, and we were free to choose whichever we wanted. In addition, we needed to get an understanding of the problems we were intended to solve: what did the old system look like, what were its major flaws?

## 4.1 Learning Tools/Framework

The first challenge we were faced with was that of deciding which programming languages and frameworks we were to utilize. We were recommended to use the Python-based framework called Django, both from our customer and other developers. We decided to make a quick attempt at getting comfortable with Python and Django, and then later on make a decision on whether we were to use it or not. Most of our group had previous experience with Web development using JSP(JavaServer Pages), and JSP was our primary fallback in case we decided Django was not suitable for our needs.

We were able to master the basics of Django quite fast and its advantages became apparent. It was quickly seen that Django had enough features for the scope of our project, and a sizable community in case we needed help to use the framework. In other words Django was chosen quite early on, and mastering it became a priority during the initial pre study phase. In order to make sure that everyone had a basic understanding of the most central components of the framework, we decided that every member of our group were to implement their own Website providing basic functionality for posting and editing news articles. The best article Website was chosen as the fundament for GentleIDI, and is part of the end product.

When we first started working on the execution nodes we needed to find an appropriate way of sandboxing the user submissions. Running untrusted code with no restrictions would be an unacceptable security flaw, and we decided to put a lot of work into finding the best possible way of securing our system. As a consequence we spent a lot of work hours researching state-of-the-art security mechanisms in Linux, including cgroups, AppArmor, and Vagrant for setting up virtual

machines. However, this effort proved unsuccessful and we ended up using none of it. We ended up falling back to restricting access simply by setting file permissions and creating dedicated users with reduced privileges.

Throughout the entire project we used Git for revision control, thus, mastering Git became increasingly important as the complexity of the code base increased. We never dedicated work hours to learning Git, however, we kept a constant focus on getting better and using the features available to us. By the end of the project we were all at a level of competence where using Git saved us a lot of work and improved our efficiency significantly.

## 4.2 Researching the Old System

The old system consisted of a Python backend for evaluating submissions and a PHP frontend. Though the system was in working order, a lot of the management had to be done by source code modification, and direct database manipulation. Initially we considered reusing parts of the old system, but those plans were dismissed when we got access to its source code. Hard coding, lack of modularity, and redundancy were in abundance in the existing source.

As a consequence we mostly referred to the source in order to understand fine details of the system requirements. In addition to poor code quality, some key design decisions crippled the old system's scalability, such as using a SQLite database. SQLite is mostly intended for mobile apps and development environments, and unsuitable for large scale systems. Researching the old system made us aware of several pitfalls, and for the rest of the project we kept a strict focus on scalability and code quality.

## 4.3 Similar Software

There are other systems that have functionality similar to our system. Notable examples include Google Code Jam, NCPC (Nordic Collegiate Programming Contest) and Facebook Hacker Cup. They are commonly referred to as Competitive programming. There are some differences from competition to competition, but the basis is the same. They are also not open-source so it was impossible to get a look at the code. Researching these similar systems never had any real impact on the solution we decided to go for, and the research never lead to changes in the requirements. This was mostly due to them being closed source and the fact that our scope was quite large from the beginning.

## 4.4 Desired Solution

The desired solution from the customers perspective was a system that had the same functionality as the old system. But making it so that one does not have to edit the source code, or the database directly, to complete simple tasks. Except from the initial setup, all management should be done through a simple Web interface available to the admins. In addition, the customer wanted a scalable system, which could handle massively large contests, given the hardware.

We as students and developers had certain hopes as to what the end product would look like. One of our greatest desires was that the end product would be maintained and developed further in the years to come. A great way of increasing the chances of that becoming a reality is making sure that our product is open source. With the source available to the public anyone can contribute to the project, making sure that it continues to evolve. Another advantage for us is that with an open source product anyone is free to inspect our work, and as such the product becomes a great way for us to show off our abilities.

Any development project with a scope as large as our's is likely to reuse other people's code, incorporate open source products etc. Making a product dependent on an open source project that suddenly stops being maintained was a pitfall we definitely wanted to avoid. Hence, our ideal end product would be based on nothing but source that we were sure would be maintained for years to come. With this in mind our ideal end product would be open source, with code quality that we can feel proud sharing with others, and that others would want to contribute to.

## 4.5 Study Result

The prestudy lasted four weeks and our results regarding libraries and development tools can be viewed in Project Management and Tools and Frameworks. Development method chosen can also be viewed in Project Management. For the technical choices see System Architecture.

## 4.6 Technology

During the prestudy phase the group considered different frameworks to be used.

#### 4.6.1 Django

Django is a free and open source Web development framework, written exclusively in Python. Everything from the framework itself, to the applications intended to run on top of it, is implemented in Python, even settings are written as Python scripts. Django is also based on the MVC architecture, which suits us fine as we are all used to work in an MVC context. It is structured in a way that emphasizes the DRY principle. The combination of Python and Django lays a good foundation for rapid development, and high maintainability.

#### 4.6.2 Flask

An alternative to Django which we did consider was the Flask micro-framework. Though Flask might have been a viable alternative, we discovered it a little too late, about a week into our Django training. Because we did not see any major advantages of Flask over Django, we decided to stick to the latter. Like Django, Flask is also written in Python.

## 4.6.3 JSP

JSP stands for JavaServer Pages, and is a technology used to create dynamic Web pages. As Django, it also adheres to the MVC approach. Some of the group members had experience with JSP, but we decided not to use it. The most commonly learned programming language at NTNU is Python. Since JSP is based on Java we feared that the use of JSP would affect the maintainability of the program. It was therefore not used.

## 4.6.4 Backend Technology

There are some security issues regarding letting the users run their programs on our backend. In worst case a contestant could write harmful code setting the contest to a halt. We discussed different approach to eliminate this problem.

## 4.6.5 AppArmor

Abbreviation for Application Armor. It is a Linux kernel security module allowing the system administrator to associate a security profile with each program. This would restrict the capabilities of that program. We think the optimal product would have used AppArmor, however we were unable to make it work the way we wanted. One of the major issues we had was that of restricting interpreted languages like Java and Python. Programs written in these languages require an external binary to execute them, and restricting this binary without breaking the rest of the system was hard. E.g. in order to restrict submissions written in Python we would end up restricting every single Python program running on the system. Given more time we might have been able to make this work, however, that was not the case.

### 4.6.6 Our Alternative to AppArmor

The solution we finally decided to go for was to execute the submissions as a sandboxed user. We created a user, removed its network access, and made sure that the only relevant files it had access to was the submission executables. The major weakness with this solution is that security is dependent on file permissions per file. A single executable with the wrong permissions could be a threat. There are some programs that are capable of running subprocesses as a second user, and thereby bypassing the network blocking.

## 4.7 Development Method

At the beginning of our project we all had some experience with Scrum, which made it the most obvious choice in terms of development method. It is quite suitable for this type of small scale project and keeps the planning overhead at a minimum. However, as far as we knew there could be other, better suited methods for our project. The major requirements we had to the development method was that it should be agile and iterative. We also wanted to work in a test driven manner, and do most of the programming in pairs. This made Extreme Programming a viable alternative.

Extreme Programming has a greater focus on pair programming and code reviews, than Scrum. This was in tune with the way we wanted to work, however, using XP would increase the amount of time needed to get comfortable with the development method. There are some major pitfalls related to using a development method you that you do not master, and when it came down to making a decision we played it safe. We decided to use Scrum and implement pair programming and test driven development in our own way.

When the development started we soon realized that we did not have the competence needed to do test driven development well, and this aspect was dropped. We ended up using Scrum with a focus on working in pairs.

## Chapter 5

# Requirements Specification

According to the gantt chart (Fig 4.1) the team were supposed to update the requirement specification starting from week 2 and continuing up until week 10. For us it was still the case that there were a clearly identifiable requirement specifications phase. This was primarily from week 2 up to and including week 4. The outcome from this three week process was heavily used in order to establish agreement between us and the customer. This chapter presents the result from this process.

## 5.1 Purpose and Scope of this Specification

The purpose of the requirement specification document is to specify the objectives for our end product. Requirements are written at different levels of detail. This is to make it easy to communicate the requirements to both business and technical parties. We have mainly written the functional requirements as stories and then broken them into smaller pieces. This makes the requirements easy to communicate to the customer, and succinct for the developers. These stories can be viewed in appendix B. It is important to recognize that our project only lasted for a few months. Thus, late changes to requirements were inserted promptly and without revision control. This is a common practice in agile development<sup>1</sup>. The advantage and reason we chose not to perform revision control, is that we could save time in not formally documenting all changes.

The coverage of the requirements is intended to be a complete coverage of the product. This implies that all features available from the application domain is listed in our specification. What the requirements specification does not cover are organizational and external requirements. This follows from the small amount of administrative users and developers involved, and trust between the customer and the developers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Page 91, Sommersville

## 5.2 Process of the Requirement Specification

The customer passed on an initial list of requirements to our group. After a classification and organization of the features, we drafted scenarios and internally discussed the implication to each requested feature. Therein, we saw what features would be infeasible and additional features we would want to introduce to the customer. The modified list of requirements was then presented to the customer, before proceeding with the implementation of the end-product. Throughout the entire development process both we and the customer have been modifying the list of requirements.

## 5.3 Product/service Description

In this section, you will find our interpretation of the physical user-domain. The reader should note that some members of our group has competed earlier, which has given us helpful empirical insight.

## 5.3.1 Expected Physical Environment

Our solution is used in different contexts. Table 5.1 has the different application and user-domains.

Table 5.1: Users and their expected stereotypical properties

IDI Open is hosted in P15, Høgskoleringen 3, on	
Gløshaugen campus every year. Every team partic-	For offsite contestants, javascript must be enabled
ipating in the contest get allocated their own com-	For offsite contestants, javascript must be enabled.
puter.	

## 5.3.2 User Characteristics

Table 5.2 show different stereotypes of expected typical users. While open to deviations from the stereotypes, they highlight important properties required for our solution.

Table 5.2: Users and their expected stereotypes

Tudmo	A drain
Judge  Education: Computer Science Age: 20-25 Responsibility: review assignments Frustrations:  • Irresponsive interfaces • Incorrect data • User submission system • Response types	Admin Education: Computer Science Age: 20-27 Responsibility: review assignments Frustrations:  • Irresponsive interfaces • Node failures • Incorrect data • Backend system • Dataflow
Contestant Education: Computer Science Age: 20-25 Responsibility: Submit and upload assignments, keep track of score Frustrations:  • Irresponsive interfaces • Lack of overview • Backend system • Dataflow	Sponsor  Education: Computer Science Age: 27-40 Responsibility: Advertize company Frustrations:  • Dissatisfied contestants • No overview • Nothing special
Balloon-functionary  Education: Computer Science Age: 20-25 Responsibility: Review scores, hand out balloons and information Frustrations:  • Mis-information • Scoreboards, about competition	

It can be seen in table 5.2 that the most prominent trait of our users is that they have a background in computer science. As a consequence, it is assumed a higher level of technical competence from our users. The user profiles also highlight that some features were more important than others, e.g. responsiveness over aesthetics.

## 5.4 Requirements

Stories can be ambiguous and open for misinterpretation, we felt that a natural language specification of requirements would make it easier to understand our application domain. To reduce miscommunication we made sure to give each specification as short, succinct sentences. The stories were used as a way to communicate with the customer about requirements without them having to read through the table of requirements.

There are three different states for priorities, HIGH, MED and LOW. This ensured strict priorities. Using more states would make it hard to differentiate between the priorities we gave the requirements.

The following definitions make out the guideline for prioritizing the requirements:

- HIGH: The requirement is a "must have". To have a successfull product, the requirement must be implemented.
- MED: The requirement is a "should have". The fulfillment of the requirement will benefit the quality system.
- LOW: The requirement is a "nice to have". This includes functionality not critical to the system.

#### 5.4.1 Functional

The functional requirements are broken down in different categories. Each category corresponds to a user group. The categories are Admin, Judge, Contestant, Functionary, Teams, and Other. Each category has an ID, priority and story. The tables in this section shows the complete list of the requirements, while the corresponding stories are given in appendixB

The ID system can be interpreted in the following way

- The F stands for Functional
- The second letter determines which category, e.g A stands for admin.

The milestone show when each requirement needs to be met.

# 5.4.2 Functional Requirements for Admin

Table 5.3: Functional requirements for admin

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
An admin shall be able to	FA-01	SA-1	A new contest equals a	HIGH	M-03
create a new contest			new web page		
An admin can choose	FA-02	SA-1		MED	M-03
whether the site should be					
published immediately or					
not					
An admin can add custom	FA-03	SA-1		LOW	M-03
CSS to the web-page					
An admin shall be able	FA-04	SA-1	of contestants, maximum	HIGH	M-06
to choose settings for the			number of contestants per		
contest			team, date, name. Default		
			settings will be provided		
An admin shall have ac-	FA-05	SA-2		HIGH	M-06
cess to all modules in the					
program					
An admin can change per-	FA-06	SA-2		LOW	M-06
mission of a usergroup					
An admin can re-	FA-07	SA-2	This includes promoting	LOW	M-06
move/add to a user			new admins		
group.					
An admin can deactivate	FA-08	SA-2		LOW	M-06
users					
An admin can remove	FA-09	SA-2		HIGH	M-06
users from the database					
An admin can add a node	FA-10	SA-4	The node must be a privi-	HIGH	M-06
			leged user		
An admin can remove a	FA-11	SA-4		HIGH	M-06
node					
An admin can manage a	FA-12	SA-4	This requirement is in	HIGH	M-06
node.			terms of compiler profiles		
			support		
An admin can add more	FA-13	SA-4		MED	M-06
than one node					
An admin can add news	FA-14	SA-5		HIGH	M-03
items					
An admin can remove new	FA-15	SA-5		MED	M-03
items					
An admin can modify	FA-16	SA-5		MED	M-03
news item					

# 5.4.3 Functional requirements for Judge

Table 5.4: Functional requirements for judge

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
A Judge can create a prob-	FJ-01	SJ-1	This includes cases with	HIGH	M-06
lem			input and output		
A judge can upload cases	FJ-02	SJ-1		MED	M-06
to a problem and name					
each case					
A judge can set a resource	FJ-03	SJ-1		LOW	M-06
limit on each task					
A judge can add a solution	FJ-04	SJ-1		HIGH	M-06
that gives the right output					
A judge can add a solution	FJ-05	SJ-1		MED	M-06
that gives timeout					
A judge can add a solution	FJ-06	SJ-1		MED	M-06
that gives wrong answer					
A judge shall be able to	FJ-07	SJ-1		HIGH	
view and edit all problems					
A judge shall be able to re-	FJ-08	SJ-2	This is about the clarifica-	MED	M-06
spond to a question from a			tion system.		
team					
A judge shall get a no-	FJ-09	SJ-2		LOW	M-06
tification when received a					
question					
A judge shall be able to re-	FJ-10	SJ-2	By globally it is intended	HIGH	M-06
spond to a question glob-			that the all teams can		
ally			view the response and		
			question		
A judge shall be able su-	FJ-11			MED	
pervise all submissions					

# 5.4.4 Functional requirements for Contestant

Table 5.5: Functional requirements for contestant

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
A contestant shall be able	FC-01	SC-1		HIGH	M-03
to edit their own informa-					
tion					
When created a contes-	FC-02	SC-1		HIGH	M-03
tant shall receive a confir-					
mation email					
A contestant shall see	FC-03	SC-2		HIGH	M-03
which teams they are in-					
vited to					
A contestant shall see	FC-04	SC-2		HIGH	M-03
which team they are a					
member of					
A contestant shall see	FC-05	SC-2		MED	M-03
which teams and contests					
they have participated in					
earlier	7000	222		3.655	7.5.00
A contestant shall be able	FC-06	SC-3		MED	M-03
to ask a question to a					
judge	70.5	222		3.655	7.5.00
A contestant shall have	FC-07	SC-3		MED	M-06
access to global answers					
from judges	70.00			3.655	
A contestant shall be able	FC-02	SC-2		MED	
to change his/her email					

# 5.4.5 Functional requirements for Functionary

Table 5.6: Functional requirements for functionaries

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
A functionary shall be	FF-01	SF-1		LOW	M-06
able to register a balloon					
colour to each task/prob-					
lem					
A functionary shall have	FF-02	SF-1		MED	M-06
access to information					
about newly completed					
problems					

## 5.4.6 Functional requirements for Teams

Table 5.7: Functional requirements for teams

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
A user shall be able to register a team	FT-01	ST-1	Whether or not the team is onsite, a team password, and a email for the team leader	HIGH	M-06
A user shall be able to register other team members for the team	FT-02	ST-2	By providing other users' email	HIGH	M-03
If the contestant is already in the system shall recog- nize personal info	FT-03	ST-2	Personal information like name, gender and so on.	LOW	M-03
A team leader must be able to invite new members	FT-04	ST-2	Input: email	MED	M-03
A team leader should be able to delete the team before the competition	FT-05	ST-2		MED	M-03
When a team leader invites a new member the new member must receive a registration link	FT-06	ST-2	The receiver of this email link must fill in the data specified in: T-3	MED	M-03
If a member's email is already in the database they will receive a confirmation link	FT-07	ST-2	The confirmation link will include automatically filled data. See T-4	LOW	M-03

Table 5.7 – continued from previous page

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
All team information	FT-08	ST-2		LOW	M-03
is editable in the team					
overview.					
A team must be able	FT-09	ST-3		HIGH	M-06
to deliver submissions to					
problems					
When a team deliver a	FT-10	ST-3	system should give time-	HIGH	M-06
submission they shall re-			out. This is specified by		
ceive response from the			a judge		
system					

# 5.4.7 Other requirements

Table 5.8: Other functional requirements

Requrement	ID	Story	Comment	Priority	Milestone
The system shall be able	FO-01	SA-3	It is here implied statistics	HIGH	M-05
to gather some statistics			from contestants in accor-		
			dance with FE-3		
The system shall be able	FO-02	SA-3		LOW	M-05
to gather a large variety of					
statistics specified by the					
admin					
The system shall include a	FO-03	SJ-2	This is according to FJ-8,	HIGH	M-07
clarification system			FJ-9, FJ-10, and FE-14,		
			FE-15, FE-16, FE-17, FE-		
			18		
The contest results are to	FO-04	ST-03		MED	M-07
be visible in the form of a					
highscore list.					

## 5.5 Non-functional

The nonfunctional requirements defines what objectives our end product needs to meet. Measure make it easy to agree on whether the requirement is fulfilled or not. The tables in this section can be interpreted in the following way:

- NF in the ID stands for non-functional
- $\bullet$  Measure describe what the requirement holds
- $\bullet\,$  Value is a quantitive measure

## **5.5.1** Speed

ID	Measure	Value	Priority	Comment
NF-01	Response from action	< 1.5 sec	MED	E.g. clicking a click
NF-02	Posting news	< 5  sec	MED	
NF-03	Edit user	< 1 min	MED	E.g. change email, password

#### 5.5.2 Size

ID	Measure	Value	Priority	Comment
NF-04	Number of contestants	500	HIGH	
NF-05	Number of teams	200	HIGH	
NF-06	Number of judges	20	HIGH	
NF-07	Number of admins	> 1	HIGH	
NF-08	Limitation of submission size	50kB	HIGH	

#### 5.5.3 Ease of Use

ID	Measure	Value	Priority	Comment
NF-09	Learning time for contestants	< 5 min	MED	The users of the program
				should be good at comput-
				ers and therefore know what
				they are doing.
NF-10	Learning time for admins	< 15 min	MED	
NF-11	Learning time for judge	< 10 min	MED	

# 5.5.4 Reliability

ID:	Measure:	Value:	Priority:	Comment:
NF-12	Mean time to failure	> 1 week	HIGH	The system should not be
				down during a contest
NF-13	Availability	> 99.9%	MED	Downtime is not critical after
				or before a contest

## 5.5.5 Robustness

ID	Measure	Value	Priority	Comment
NF-14	Time to restart after failure	< 10 min	HIGH	
NF-15	Probability of data corruption on	< 1%	MED	This is determined by
	failure			backup coverage
NF-16	Expected living time	> 10 years	HIGH	
NF-17	Execution node	= 1	HIGH	
NF-18	Execution nodes	> 1	MED	It should be possible to uti-
				lize addition nodes

# 5.5.6 Portability/Scalability

ID	Measure	Value	Priority	Comment
NF-19	Extensibility		HIGH	Adding features should be
				easy
NF-20	Module-based code		HIGH	The code should be easy to
				maintain

## 5.5.7 Other

ID	Measure	Value	Priority	Comment
NF-21	Accessibility		HIGH	
NF-22	Open-source	GPL	MED	

# 5.6 Security

While security requirements are non-functional, we decided to do the security requirements engineering as a separate process. Table can be interpreted in the following way:

- In the ID, S is for security
- Measure describes

#### 5.6.1 Authentication and Authorization

Table 5.16: Security requirements for authentication and authorization  $\,$ 

ID	Measure	Priority	Comment
S-01	No user in any given user group shall be able to	MED	
	perform any operation outside of the definition		
	of the requirements		
S-02	An authenticated user shall not be able to per-	HIGH	
	form any operation, as another user		
S-03	After an authenticated user performs an ac-	MED	E.g. session-cookies should not
	tion to be logged out, that user will need to		remain such that you can still re-
	log in to re-authenticate		login
S-04	No user shall gain administrative rights with-		Ensure no user is registered as
	out manual approval of current admins		admin by mistake, no scripts
			that automatically escalates
			privileges to administrator when
			conditions are met
S-05	Correct authorization must be required for re-	HIGH	
	spective content.		
S-06	To authorize, you will either need to provide	HIGH	
	mandatory usercredentials through an inter-		
	face, or have a valid session ID.		
S-07	Session tokens shall be unique to one computer	MED	Not possible to simply acquire a
	only		session ID and use it on other
			computers to authenticate

## 5.6.2 Immunity

Table 5.17: Security requirements for immunity

ID	Measure	Priority	Comment
S-08	No input-field shall be susceptible to injection	HIGH	
	attacks		

Table 5.17 – continued from previous page

ID	Measure	Priority	Comment
S-09	All data that passes the trust zone shall be in	HIGH	
	plaintext, and validated against code		
S-10	Data from non-developers can only be directed	MED	
	saved in databases.		
S-11	Uploaded submissions shall not write to any	HIGH	
	file		
S-12	Uploaded submissions shall not read from any	HIGH	
	other file than stdin		
S-13	Uploaded submissions shall not access net-	HIGH	
	work or any other external service not needed		
	to solve a problem		
S-14	Data from a user shall not be modified by non-	MED	
	users		

# 5.6.3 Non-repudiation

Table 5.18: Security requirements for non-repudiation

ID	Measure	Priority	Comment
S-15	All modifications of data shall be logged	MED	
S-16	All log entries shall contain username(s) and	LOW	
	a timestamp with day and current hour		
S-17	Logs will be backed up	LOW	
S-18	A team's score shall not be affected by any-	HIGH	
	thing other than what is given in the contest		
	rules		

#### 5.6.4 Privacy

Table 5.19: Security requirements for privacy

ID	Measure	Priority	Comment
S-19	Sensitive user data shall not be stored in plain-	HIGH	E.g. password, gender
	text		
S-20	Every user-field that is stored shall be justified		This requirement does no longer
	in the requirements specification		apply
S-21	No sensitive data shall be exposed publicly,	MED	
	even if it is encrypted		
S-22	User-data for a given user shall not be modi-	LOW	
	fied without that user's consent		

#### 5.6.5 Auditing

ID	Measure	Priority	Comment
S-23	Database shall be manually/automatically	MED	
	checked/verified for inconsistency or errors be-		
	fore an event.		
S-24	Password that are used in development shall	HIGH	
	not be publicly available		

# 5.7 Requirements Not Met

Most of the requirements on time. There were some minor requirements not fulfilled mainly due to time constraints. All of them were priority LOW. Here are the requirements we did not complete:

A judge shall get a notification	FJ-09
when received a question	
A functionary shall be able to	FF-01
register a balloon colour to each	
task/problem	
The system shall be able to	FO-02
gather a large variety of statistic	
specified by the admin	

The reason they were not completed was due to the their low priority and time constraint. In addition to the unfinished requirements there were also requirements that were not met in an ideal way. This was in agreement with the customer. These are the partially met requirements:

An admin can add a node	FA-10
An admin can remove a node	FA-11
An admin can manage a node	FA-12
Response from action	NF-01
Logs will be backed up	NR-03

Unfortunately, an admin can only manage the execution nodes through the code. This is planned to be fixed before the next contest. The response time did unfortunately exceed 1.5 seconds during the contest. This was due to a bad implementation of the high score list, detailed in ??. NR-03 had to be overruled during the contest. This is discussed in detail in chapter TODO development.

## 5.8 Additional and Possible Requirements

After IDI Open utilised the end product to host their programming contest, they emailed some additional requirements. These were mainly proposed by the judges. Table 5.23 shows a list of the requirements.

Table 5.23: Additional requirements

ID	Requirement
FJ-12	Clarifications could be sent to a single team
FT-11	Teams should be notified about clarifications
FT-12	Message all teams.
FO-05	Highscore should be frozen, not removed.
FO-06	The freeze should remain in effect until after the prize ceremony.
FJ-13	It should be possible to see which cases someone failed
FJ-14	Re-run submissions.
FJ-15	Re-run all submission with separate input/output
FJ-16	View code straight from the submission view
FO-07	Add library syntax highlighting.
FJ-17	Compare solution output to submission output. Highlight differences.
FJ-18	Possibility to set a letter per problem.
FJ-19	Adding several compiler profiles without needing to use them all in a contest.
FJ-20	Page describing enabled compiler profiles should be automatically updated
FJ-21	Separate page for only compiling code
FJ-22	is could potentially solve the following:
FJ-23	Forever solve the eternal "#include "stdafx.h"" and package stuff; problems in
	some way.
FJ-24	At the absolute very least I think judges should be notified of compile errors, so
	that the trivial ones can be fixed in $O(1)$ time.
FJ-25	Make it possible to email all contestants.
FJ-26	The clarifications system should support per-problem
FJ-27	Remove the requirement to paste the question into the clarification.
FA-17	Possible to add text to contest page.
FA-18	Announcements should be such that you have to CLOSE them to make them go
	away.
FO-08	Hide teams from the scoreboard for which nobody has logged in since the start of
	the contest.
FJ-28	Better filtering in judge overview
FJ-29	Run all judge solutions
FJ-30	Possibility of adding multiple cases for a problem.
FJ-31	Script for verifying that all line endings are and not (and especially not).
FJ-32	Possibility of uploading a bounds-checker for input files.
FJ-33	Write judge solutions that reads input in different ways that should still be equiv-
	alent.

# Chapter 6

# Architecture

This chapter contains an overview over the architecture for the system. The first part will describe different views of the system and the second part will show the quality attributes and patterns used when developing the system.

The main parts of the system is shown in Figure 6.1. Clients sends requests to the web server and receives the processed results. The execution nodes process user submissions, and updates the results to the database.

#### 6.1 Views

We have chosen to depict the architecture using Philippe Kruchten's 4+1 view model. [1] This is a method of describing the architecture for software-intensive systems from the viewpoint of different stakeholder by using multiple, concurrent views. We chose this model because it gives a good overview and is widely accepted by the software industry. Below are the 4 main views in the model; Logic, Process, Development, and Physical. The "+1" view is Use Cases which is addressed in chapter 2.

#### 6.1.1 Logic View

The logical view describes the functionality of the system by breaking down requirements into classes and representing them, and their relations, through class and sequence diagrams.

Figure 6.1 shows the main classes involved in GentleIDI. Each team participates in a single contest, and consists of a predefined number of contestants. Each team also has a team leader that handles most of the administrative tasks. The team can also try to solve problems by uploading submissions.

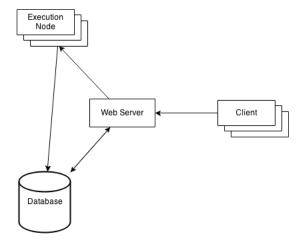


Figure 6.1: System overview

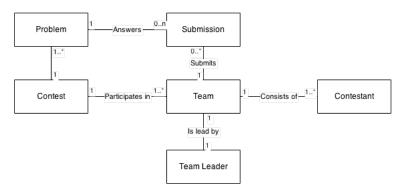


Figure 6.2: Top level class diagram

#### 6.1.2 Process View

The process view explains the communication between different processes in the system, as well as how the system behaves in runtime.

As this system is a web application the first thing to note is that there will be concurrent users in runtime. Each user generates HTTP requests to the server, which in turn may execute database lookups for information like score tables or problem sets. When a user submits a solution the system will place it in a queue, which decides which node the solution will execute on according to availability and load.

We will now show examples for two important parts of the application. First is the action of successfully registering a user and creating a team. See figure 6.4.

Second is submitting a solution to a programming problem. See figure 6.5.

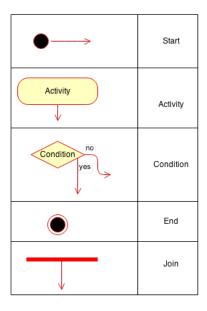


Figure 6.3: Symbology

#### 6.1.3 Development View

#### Purpose

The developer view is intended for the developers. It should ease development, and focus on software module organization by packaging the software in small chunks.

We wanted a modular and maintainable system where it is easy to maintain and change specific parts of the system without changing everything. The structure of the system can therefore be divided into the following main packages: Contest, Registration, Submission, Execution, Balloon, Clarification, Admin, and Article. These packages are described in detail in chapter 8 Implementation.

#### 6.1.4 Physical View

#### Purpose

The physical view shows the interaction between the physical components of the system.

Physically the system is structured as a multitiered architecture. It consists of three tires, presentation tier, application tier, and data tier, see figure 6.6. The tiers represents a physical structuring mechanism for the system infrastructure. The user is physically separate from the application and database.

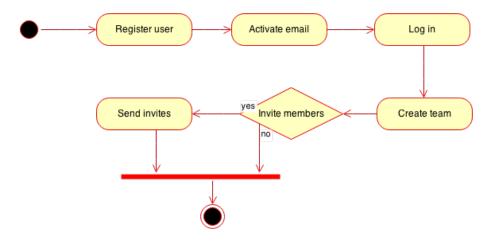


Figure 6.4: Activity Diagram for registering a user and a team

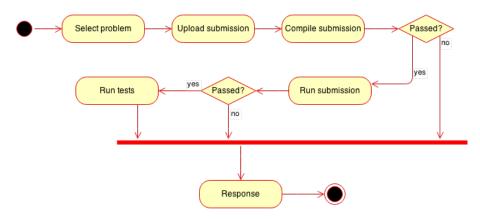


Figure 6.5: Activity Diagram for submittion a solution

#### Presentation tier

This tier presents information to the user through the public website and admin interface. It translates the web server response into web pages generated using HTML5, CSS, Ajax, and JavaScript. It sends requests to the underlying web server and renders the response.

#### Application tier

The application tier contains the logical layer, it controls an application's functionality by performing detailed processing. Primarily this is done through python code, although when running solutions the file is run on an execution node through the use of built in unix commands.

This splits the application tier in two parts, the web server that serves static and dynamic con-

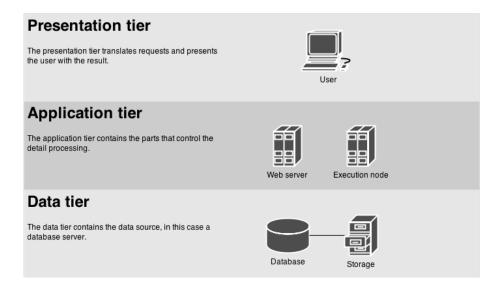


Figure 6.6: Multitier architecture

tent, and the execution nodes that process uploaded submissions. This division can be seen in "Application Tier" in Figure 6.6.

For the web server we use Nginx for serving static files, and as a reverse proxy for Gunicorn, the server providing dynamic HTTP content to the user. Gunicorn is the server that processes requests and returns HTTP pages. The execution nodes process submissions through a FIFO queue implemented with Celery and RabbitMQ. This provides load balancing across CPU cores and multiple nodes in the cluster. The execution nodes also share parts of the filesystem, this is implemented with SSHFS (SSH Filesystem), and is a secure way of sharing the uploaded files across the execution nodes.

#### Data tier

This tier includes the data control functionality. The system utilises a shared SQL database for the execution nodes and the web server. See Figure 6.1. This database links to the file storage on the main web server. However, the execution nodes requires some files to be shared across multiple nodes. Like explained earlier in section 6.1.4, this is implemented with SSHFS. For more specific details see 8 and I.

## 6.2 Quality attributes

#### 6.2.1 Availability

Since this software is to be used in a programming contest, it is crucial that the system has high uptime and availability. And since the contest only lasts for about 4 hours, our margin for failure is minimal. We have made an effort to account for all possible outcomes, and to safeguard the application for any errors that might occur.

#### 6.2.2 Modifiability

This is a system that we hope will be used for many years to come. With the ever changing nature of the web, the ability to adapt and improve is imperative. To accommodate this, we chose to implement our solution in Python, a language taught to most of new students of computer courses at NTNU. These are the same students that hopefully will use and continue to work on this software. To our best ability we have also tried to write and document the code in a way such that it is easy to understand and improve.

#### 6.2.3 Performance

Performance is an important aspect of every application, especially web applications. Users expect that sites loads fast. Failing to accomplish this is a sign of a bad application, at least from the user's perspective. For this reason we have focused on making our pages load as fast as possible. And since this application will be used by over 100 users simultaneously, it is also important that the servers will handle the load.

#### 6.2.4 Security

Since our application contains user data and data that should be hidden from unauthenticated users, security is another important aspect. Django provides many security features by default, and others that can be implemented with very little effort. We also chose to enable SSL on the web server to increase security on web requests.

#### 6.2.5 Testability

When we first started out, we wanted to utilize testing during development. Testing is a way to find problems early, and before they begin to encompass larger parts of the application. But testing is also one of the most time consuming parts of the development process. In the end we did not have as much test coverage as we would like, but we feel that we covered the most important parts.

#### 6.2.6 Usability

As with any web application, we want the users of the system to accomplish their desired task, and learn the functions of the system with ease. The user should receive feedback if something went wrong or if the outcome is not clear. We also want the web pages to provide information how to use the system.

#### 6.3 Patterns

#### 6.3.1 Client-Server

Since we are making a web application we will use the Client-Server pattern. The clients connect to the server through a web interface, either the website or the admin interface.

#### 6.3.2 MVC(model-view-controller)

The front end is implemented using the Django framework and follows a rather strict implementation of MVC. Every HTTP request sent to the site is handled by a controller function, which in turn fetches the appropriate models from a database, creates a view based on the models and returns the view as an HTTP response.

#### 6.3.3 Shared-Data

The system utilises multiple execution nodes as well as a web server, through which users access data. We wanted to have a central shared database server that scales with the number of execution nodes and the amount of data.

#### 6.3.4 Multi-tier

See: 6.1.4 Physical View. References:

[1] Architectural Views -

# Chapter 7

# UI Design

This chapter contains the choices made regarding the process of designing the front-end of the application, for a more technical approach see *System Architecture chapter 6*.

## 7.1 Design Process

The user interface provided by the previous IDI Open system consisted of a simple web interface for reading news items, registering teams for contests, and delivering submissions. GentleIDI is intended to provide more functionality through its web interface, including but not limited to judge supervision(requirement FJ-11) and user management (requirements FC-01, FC-03 and FC-04). As a consequence we had two options available: reusing and extending the existing interface design, or creating our own design from scratch.

We chose to create our own design from scratch, while still trying to keep a similar placement of elements from the previous design. The customer expressed concern regarding how contestants would react to the transition from the old interface to the new one. With this in mind we started to create mockups modelling core elements of the website. Our initial drafts consisted of simple rearrangements of elements found in the old web interface.



Figure 7.1: User Interface of the old system

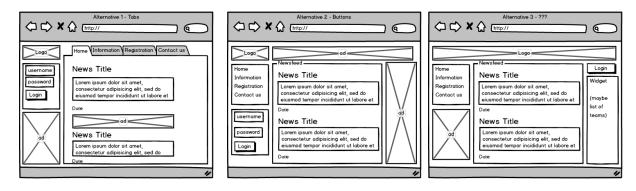


Figure 7.2: Initial mockups

Beyond our three initial mockups we tried a couple of "out of the box" approaches to our designs, but none of them met our standard and was rejected for either being too time-consuming to implement or too far from what our customer wanted. We had a meeting with our customer, where we showed our mockups, and what our thoughts on design had been so far. We wanted to make sure that the customer was on the same page as us, and that we were not moving beyond the scope of the project. Our customer was not very focused on the design aspect, but one demand they had was that they wanted the new site to have the same structure as the old one. One example of what this means is that the customer wanted us to keep the menu on the left side as you can see that the old system has in Fig 7.1. We agreed, because getting used to a new website can take time, so keeping the structure similar would ease the transition for our users. With this in mind we decided to go for one of our initial mockups, the rightmost one in Fig 7.2, because it had the same structure as the old page, and we personally favoured that design. As a result, most of the elements found in the old interface can be found in the new one, and the transition between using the two is reduced to a minimum.

The task had to be completed in time for milestone M-03, so our main concern was designing for the functionality needed for that particular milestone. However, we also had mockups for functionality outside of this milestone. After milestone M-03 was met, we introduced new designs for new functionality through continuous work on top of a template.

The majority of the front end is stylized using bootstrap[Link til kilde] as a framework, enabling us to create a site which is both highly maintainable and aesthetically pleasing at the same time. The admin interface was created using django-admin-interface. Grappelli was used as a skin to give it a modern look. The look of the final page can be viewed in Fig 7.3.

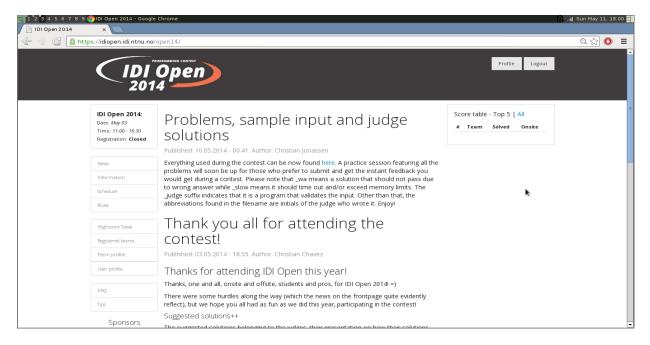


Figure 7.3: Final page



Figure 7.4: Various buttons used on our website. From left to right: the button to go to the contest page, the button to see a user profile, the button to leave a team

The grey header was in our initial design coloured blue, but was changed one week before M-07. This illustrates the strongest functionality of the design, namely customization. It is possible, by only uploading a new CSS file, to change the whole feel of the website and give every contest its own theme. The change from blue to grey was made as a consequence of IDI Open changing to a new logo. By comparing Fig 7.1 and Fig 7.3, you can see that we kept the same structure, but still made some significant changes to the design.

#### 7.2 User Interface

The user interface is designed by using a base template. The template is the same for every part of the webpage, and contains a content block that changes while you navigate through the different parts. This makes it easier to add new content to the user interface, because you already have the base, and don't need to worry about the header, footer, or the menu. We wanted to make it easy for future developers to take over GentleIDI after us, and therefore we focused on a versatile user interface, in case they want to add new functionality.

The menu is placed to the left, coping with the western norm stating that eye placement is natural to the left<sup>1</sup>. We designed the menu to be versatile, this was highly prioritized by our customers. Admins can choose what they want to show in the menu, except for *Register user* and *Register team* that are "hardcoded" on request from the customer. As mentioned in Design process 7.1, we designed the user interface after a principle of versatility. Admins can also change the logo, the sponsor images and the contact information in the footer.

Buttons, images and icons were surrounded with boxes, to show that they are different elements. There is also one big box surrounding a group of elements, for example the sponsors. This is consistent with the gestalt law of proximity, that constitutes that humans will naturally group objects that are close to each other, and view them as distinct. This helps the user quickly understand the user interface.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup> http://research. \verb|microsoft.com/en-us/um/people/cutrell/chi09-buschercutrellmorris-eyetracking for websalience. pdf$ 

"To strive for consistency" is the first of Shneiderman's eight golden rules of interface design<sup>2</sup>, and we tried to follow this while making design decisions. As can be seen in Fig 7.4, we decided to use colours that represents the action each button is connected to. The red button marks that pressing this will have permanent consequences. We added a textbox prompt that the user has to answer after pressing a red button, that constitutes to Schneiderman's fifth and sixth rule, for easy reversal of actions and error handling. This wasn't added initially, but we noticed while testing the system that without a prompt, it could be possible to leave your team by mistake.

# Contest Page

Clarification | Ask a question | View score table | Team score: 0

# List of Problems

Click on a table row to go to the selected problem.

Hover over each title in the table to get a further explanation.



Figure 7.5: Contest page

For the contest page, Fig 7.5, we wanted to give the contestant a good overview of all the problems, their submissions to them, feedback, if they solved the problem and the score. It is important to not bury information to deep in a website. It could be challenging to balance this while trying not to overload the page with too much information. We had this in mind when designing this page. We got valuable feedback from the customer concerning what they wanted to be present on the contest page. They wanted it to be easy for the contestants to access everything they need during the competition, through the contest page. After feedback from the customer, we added links to the clarification page and highscore table on the contest page. This lowers the short-term memory load on the contestants, which is consistent with Shneiderman's eight rule, because they will have everything accessible on the same page.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>https://www.cs.umd.edu/users/ben/goldenrules.html

#### 7.3 Admin Interface

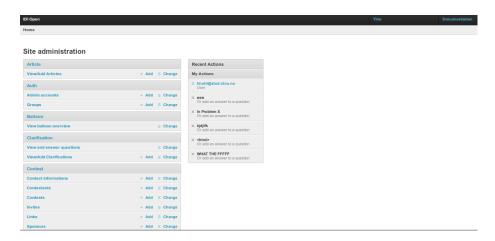


Figure 7.6: Admin Interface

Django comes with an extensive admin interface, that provides functionality for adding, removing and changing parts of the system. The interface consists of everything we as developers want the admins to be able to change. We decided to use Grappelli, an app for the django admin interface that also provided us with more adequate functionality, e.g. auto-completion, rich text editors, drag'n drop and more.

The structure of the layout is simple. Each category has it's own header and everything in blue is clickable. The "Recent Actions" box is there to help admins remember what they last did, which is important to reduce the users short-term memory load, in accordance with Shneiderman's eight rule

Originally all the names of the elements were the same as our model names. We decided to change this to more intuitively understandable expressions after a request from the customer. We extended the interface with our own custom views, "Balloon overview" and "Judge views". This allowed us to change what we wanted, while it still kept its consistency with the other parts of the admin site.

The judge views was made primarily for judges, but could also be used by the admins. The motivation behind making this view, is that it gives the judges a better overview of the competition and how the progress is going for the different teams. We were initially told that the judges wanted a way to see if a team was struggling, so they could help that team. We wanted everything to be on one page for the judges, so they wouldn't have to constantly switch between different pages. The judge view can be seen in Fig 7.7.

Fig 7.8 shows the judge views after selecting the team "GentleCoding". It is possible to expand each submission by clicking on it. The third submission has been clicked on, so we can now choose to expand different categories. For example if a judge wants to see the source code for that submission, he/she can click on "Source code" and it will expand. Submissions that haven't been compiled are shown in red, and the other are white.

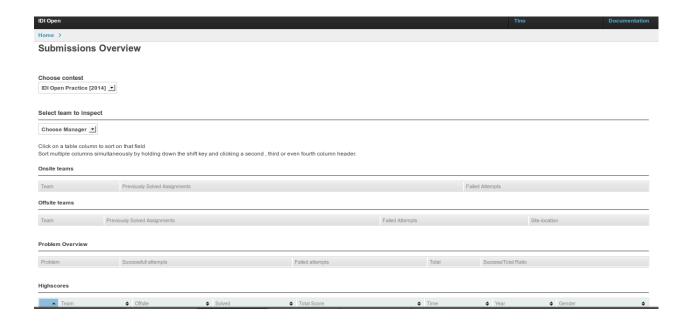


Figure 7.7: Judge views

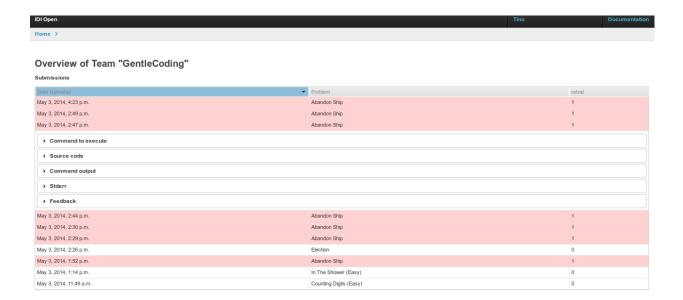


Figure 7.8: Judge views for team

# Chapter 8

# Implementation

This chapter goes into the details of our implementation. Django follows the MVC pattern in a quite strict manner, and as a consequence so does our project. In addition to MVC our project is divided into several Django apps, which are separate modules containing their own models, views and controllers. Each app serve a specific purpose and provide a certain level of modularity.

Figure 8.1 shows the directory structure to one of our apps, all apps follow this structure. An app's root folder contains four files worth taking a closer look at:

- models.py contains the app's models i.e. our database entities. Due to our site being MVC, every aspect of the site is in some way represented by a model defined in a models.py file.
- The file views.py defines the app's functions for handling requests, called views. Though the naming might be confusing, the views defined in this file are not views in the MVC sense of the word. The views are in essence MVC controllers. When an HTTP request is received by Django it is routed to a specific view, and the view then handles the request. Though most views simply serve web pages in response to GET requests, there are no limits as to what a view can be used for.
- The forms py file contains a set of Django forms, which are simply collections of input fields. The forms can be rendered as HTML, and serve as validators of the input received by POSTs.
- This leaves the admin.py file. Django provides a quite modular and modifiable admin app for managing other apps. The admin page's main functionality is that of viewing, editing, creating and deleting models. However, the admin app does not have access to all of the models in the system by default. The admin.py file is where an app registers which of its models are to be modifiable by the admin page, how the models are to be rendered etc.
- The apps also contain a templates directory. The templates are in essence HTML files extended by Django's template language, making them easily processed/modified by Django. These templates corresponds to the MVC Views. When a Django view sends a response it is usually by inserting dynamic content into a template and then serving the final HTML file as an HTTP response. Though not visible in the figure, most of our templates are extensions of a global base template, this way redundancy is reduced and our user interface stays consistent.

# Contest app

```
- admin.py
— forms.py
 — __init__.py
migrations
  — 0001 initial.py
   - 0002_auto_chg_field_team_name.py
   - 0003 auto add field contest penalty constant.py
   ____init__.py
 - models.py

    templates

   - Cage
     ___ cage.html
   - contest
      alreadyContestant.html
       - editTeam.html
       - index.html
       team.html
   registerForContest
      registrationComplete.html
       - registration.html
      requireLogin.html
   └─ viewTeams
      └─ viewTeams.html

    templatetags

   init .py
   - link tags.py
   └─ widget_tweaks.py
— tests.py
urls.py
└─ views.py
```

Figure 8.1: App overview

#### 8.1 contest

The contest app contains the most fundamental functionality and models for the system, namely the ones related to creating, hosting, and deleting contests. The contest app defines a couple of models for storing information directly related to a contest, such as sponsor information, support contact information etc. Just about every other model in the project is related to the contest models in some way. A complete overview of the models defined in the contest app can be found in Appenix I.

#### 8.2 article

The article app provides basic functionality for posting news articles. It contains several different views for looking at articles, lists of articles etc. For editing articles the app uses a WYSIWYG editor, available in the admin interface.

### 8.3 userregistration

As the name suggests this app handles user creation, deletion and modification. The majority of this app is an open source app that we incorporated into our project, however, we made some modifications of our own.

#### 8.4 teamsubmission

When a team has reached something they think might be a valid solution to a problem they submit their source code to the system. The uploaded source becomes part of a submission model which is part of the teamsubmission app. This app also defines some models related to the submissions model.

#### 8.5 execution

The system needs a way of handling the submitted source code. For instance it needs some way of determining which compiler is to be used. When the source has been built the system needs to know what command is to be issued to the system to execute the binary. Both of these things are handled by the execution app. In addition there are restrictions set to limit the resources available to the submissions, for example the number of subprocesses, memory allocated etc.

The models defined in teamsubmission and execution can be found in the Appendix I.

### 8.6 node\_manage

With a well configured system and the previously mentioned apps working properly, a submitted source file will be stored and the outline of how the file should be treated will be set when the file is uploaded. The code for actually performing the actions of building and running is handled by the node\_manage app. The node\_manage app fetches the appropriate settings for a submission, and submits it to a FIFO queue. Our backend consists of several execution nodes connected in a cluster powered by a framework called Celery. The nodes can be configured to handle any number of concurrent submissions, and when a node has got available capacity it fetches another submission from the queue. Celery relies on the AMQP message passing standard, by means of an open source message broker system called RabbitMQ. All messages passed go through a broker setup on the same host as the web server, the broker then distributes the messages to the appropriate host.

#### 8.7 balloon

When a team has solved a problem, they are to be awarded a helium balloon. This app enables staff users to view problems that have newly been solved by a team, send somebody to deliver a balloon, and then remove them from the list of newly solved. This app simply provides a custom view in the Django admin page.

### 8.8 changeemail

Since we had to modify the userregistration app that we incorporated, not everything worked as we wanted out of the box. An example was the functionality for changing the email of a contestant, which broke the contestant's pending invites. This app provides a fix for that problem and makes sure that changing email works properly.

# 8.9 judge\_supervise

This app provides judges with an interface in which they can see all submitted solutions and statistics for each team. For each submission, the judges can see compiler errors, execution output and source code.

#### 8.10 clarification

During a contest questions can be asked by contestants to the staff. If a problem is ambiguously formulated, or they are experiencing system errors, these problems can be addressed by requesting a clarification. The questions are posted publicly on the website, as well as their replies.

# Chapter 9

# Development

This document describes the different phases of development the group went through in order to finish the product. To increase readability the first part of the document describes the process of working towards the milestones, as can be viewed in figure ??. The second part describes each sprint in more detail including work done/completed.

## 9.1 Working Towards the Milestones

### 9.1.1 Milestone M-01 - Preliminary Report

From start to 09.02.2014

Eager to start, we had our first meeting 15.01.2014. During this meeting we discussed which tasks we wanted apply for After receiving the project assignment, we discussed our ambitions for the course and the end product. We agreed that we had a shared goal to receive a top grade in this course, and that we where all prepared to put in the work required to achieve this goal. The group was in doubt if we should try popular, enterprise-level tools and frameworks, or if we should stick to basic, previously used tools. We decided to let each member of the group to explore a tool on his own and present his experience to the others. If the tool seemed usable, we incorporated it into our project.

Our primary concern was that we would spend time on suboptimal tools, methods or frameworks. Thus, the group spent much time discussing and modeling the application to come.

#### 9.1.2 Milstone M-02 - Mid-semester Report

From 09.02.2014 to 09.03.2014

Being aware of the large amount of programming ahead of us, we aimed to have the mid-semester report finished one week before the actual deadline. To shorten meeting time and strengthen our task overview, we had a meeting thoroughly discussing how Scrum worked. We decided to adhere more of the conventional Scrum standard. As a consequence we started to draft release and product backlogs. This resulted in a reduction in the number of hours used to administer and delegate tasks. We also got a better overview of what we wanted the end product to look like. This meant that we could reduce the amount of modeling, and focus more on the code.

The mid-semester report finished as planned one week before our deadline. We more or less completed our testing plans and concluded on management structure. The biggest challenge was how to implement support for user handling.

#### 9.1.3 Milestone M-03 - First Release

From 09.02.2014 to 19.03.2014

Having finished the mid-semester report, the group now had a structured overview of the requirements specification, and approach to development. We had much coding to do in order to reach the third milestone. We tried to agree on an optimal approach, but concluded that we had to "just get started". In our sprint backlogs the amount of coding assignments grew. To induce more coding, we arranged informal coding nights in order to trigger "learning by doing" and improved our progression.

By the time we had finished the necessary prestudies and requirements, we already had some functionality. However, there was still work remaining, as suggested by our work breakdown structure. In addition we had a meeting with the customer where they proposed some new requirements, and reprioritized a few others.

In advance to the first release we had some meetings with the customer We were a little nervous regarding some of the design choices, however, the meeting discussing the design went well. We had formerly agreed on our mock up-design, although there were a few discrepancies between the delivery and what the customer wanted.

The deadline for our first delivery to the customer was 19.03.2014, but the actual release of the website was delayed to after the weekend, for external reasons.

#### 9.1.4 Milestone M-04 - Presentation

From 09.02.2014 to 19.03.2014

Since the presentation was scheduled at the same time as our first release, we did not have time to prepare for this presentation. Nevertheless, we received valuable feedback from other groups.

#### 9.1.5 Milestone M-05 - Beta Release

From 19.03 to 11.04

Working toward the beta release was challenging. Increasingly, we experienced that modeling the application before coding was not an optimal solution. Thus, we began to code without relying on diagrams to aid us. We sustained this approach until the end of the project.

With limited time, it became necessary to prioritize some tasks over others. Our improved product backlog proved to be a big benefit. As mentioned previously, we felt that it was hard to predict the outcome of the development process, so we decided not to update the Gantt diagram. Instead we relied on our own options and customer prioritizations. This was due to our new understanding of what needed to be completed when.

We did make some progress with our development, but still had some aspects of our frameworks that needed to be researched. As the weeks went by, we increased our work estimates and grew more familiar with the framework. Still our models seldom related to the actual end result. It was not something we felt was a big problem, as we where making progress.

#### 9.1.6 Milestone M-06 - IDI Open Test Event

From 11.04.2014 to 26.04.2014

We still had quite a few packages to implement, and we were uncertain how much time we needed to spend on each of them. As a consequence we had to shorten our easter vacation. Spending this much time together, every day for weeks, may cause tension in groups. We felt it was important to create an environment to ease the tensions. Therefore we took breaks from the coding, eating pizza and playing foosball. We started every day discussing what we were suppose to do, similar to a daily scrum. We believed all members had a good tacit understanding of what needed to be done, so we transitioned from sprint backlogs to daily TODO lists. These lists were written informally for the sake of brevity.

The days were long, lasting from 09:00 to 24:00. Packages were implemented at a high pace, and the pieces where finally starting to fall into place. The biggest challenges were to get the execution node up and running, highscore table, and contest management for the judges. Testing was also completed. We also had sufficient time to implement some of the lower prioritized requirements.

During the test event, we sat at our own table and received feedback from the judges and volunteers that had shown up. The fact that some of the judges were considered really good programmers made us a little nervous. They did give us feedback and a list of new requirements to be implemented. These were minor fixes, mostly related to the user interface. The test event itself was considered a success: all the judges approved our system.

#### 9.1.7 Milestone M-07 - IDI Open

From 26.04.2014 to 03.05.2014

After the test event we got a new list of requirements. There was only one week to the actual event, and we had to carefully pick those we and the customer felt were the most important. We implemented support for several execution nodes, refined the contest management, and fixed small bugs. Some tasks were complex, so it was a challenging to predict if we would be able to finish them on time. The most advanced task we were given after the test event, was that the judges wanted a better overview of the contest. I.e. they wanted access to the whole competition and all the functionality, before the contest started. The customer also wanted to be able to export data to CSV and LaTeX. This task seemed lightweight at first, but turned out to be much more extensive. While finishing on time, this consumed more hours than initially planned.

In total there were 92 teams taking part in IDI Open 14, and a total of 214 registered users in the system. When the contest officially started and the problem set was released, all users simultaneously accessed the same resource. This caused a spike on the system load. We had been told by our customer that the old system had previously buckled under the pressure from this spike. Our system did, however, handle this well. Thus, the start of the contest went well.

At one point the system went down for a few minutes. This was because we ran out of hard disk space on our main server. In other words, the system had nowhere to store its data, and was unable to handle the requests made by users. After a couple of minutes of deleting unnecessary files, we discovered that for every file that we removed, we only bought ourselves a couple of more minutes of uptime. Somewhere in the file system there was a file growing at an alarming pace. Identifying this file was challenge. By monitoring the server's processes we found that the database was logging extensively. This resulted in a 1MB/s disk write rate. The rate was small enough that we could easily monitor and periodically erase the log to clear out disk space. We could have disabled logging, however, that would have required a restart of the database server and thereby downtime.

After this problem was resolved the rest of the contest went without any significant issues. Our system where capable of handeling a total of 12 concurrent submissions, which was more than enough. All parts of the website where responsive and working properly, except the highscore list, which we knew had performance issues. These issues did not have a significant impact on the user experience.

## 9.1.8 Milestone M-08 - Final report

from 03.05.2014 to 30.05.2014

After the final event we were all exhausted. The following week we only did some administrative tasks. We started working on the report based on the feedback we got from the supervisor and external sources.

#### Sprint by sprint

We have documented each sprint. These are given in appendix A.

# Chapter 10

# Testplan

To determine requirement, structural, and architectural coverage of our product, software testing has been performed. The tests are formalized to make it easier to agree on the coverage between the customer, maintainers, and us. The results and process is documented in this chapter.

### 10.1 Testing Strategy Overview

It is common practise to structure tests in three categories. This way, tests can be communicated to developers, stakeholders, and high-level non-technical users. Following is our interpretation of each category.

### 10.1.1 Unit Testing

Unit testing is the process of testing program components individually. The tests invoke methods and structures in the code using different input parameters. These are usually written before or immediately after a module is completed. This way, it is easier to assert that the module does what it is intended. Each test case is independent from each other, so several people can write test cases simultaneously without having to worry about dependencies.

### 10.1.2 Integration Testing

In development, many features are bundled into different components. The components are then joined together to form a system. The interfaces to each of these components, and how they communicate with each other, are tested during Integration testing. The purpose is to ensure that communication between the components is correct, and that the components work as intended. It can be extensive if those responsible for integration have to review the code in each component, so integration testing abstract code away. If there are any errors, then one will either review the unit tests or notify the author.

#### 10.1.3 System Testing

System testing is a high-level test of the system. It is performed after all of the integrated system parts have been tested and joined together. System testing is a black box test, as anyone should be able to perform the test without having any knowledge of the underlying code. The purpose of system testing is to test if our system fulfills the requirements in the requirement specification. This is important to find out if we meet the expectations from the customer.

#### 10.1.4 Acceptance Testing

Acceptance tests are usually executed by the customers. They are written after agreeing on the requirements specification for a delivery. The tests are then verified by the customer. Once both the customer and developers agree on the acceptance test, it will be possible to formally agree on whether or not a delivery meets the given requirements.

#### 10.1.5 Testing Coverage

We wanted to provide complete test coverage, unfortunately, due to time contraints we where unable to achieve this goal. Thus, we needed to prioritize which components of the system were most prone to error, and most important to test. The following were our software assurance objectives:

- Ensure that the system can be used by many users
- Ensure that the contest can be held without any error that would critically impact the contest

Errors that solely impacted user experience were not prioritized to test. The majority of these were intended to be found from debugging the system. Since the developers would work closely with each other, we concluded that we would fix small errors in regression. If our team had more members, or if we had been working in different locations, this would have been a higher priority.

In most projects, testing is used to ensure requirements coverage. In our case, however, with frequent customer-meetings and iterative development, we have not had a strong need for this. The customer has had access to prototypes of our solution and our source code. In order to see that the product does as intended, they could simply try it out for themselves.

As per our software assurance objectives, our largest focus has been simulating the role of a contestant. To meet our objectives, we intended to do a full coverage of all contestant scenarios. The privileged users were believed to be technically experienced and without intention to do harm. We still felt it was important to prevent user errors, but our coverage was not as complete for these usergroups.

Since we were developing a website that would feature many users, developer testing alone could never simulate peak values for system demand. We have relied on load testing, giving our Web server a fixed amount of HTTP requests per second, hereafter RPS. What pages were used in the simulation was determined by us. Thus, our testing also extends to cover simulated peak values for high loads.

### 10.2 Our Approach to Testing

This section describes our approach to planning the different testing categories.

#### 10.2.1 Unit Testing

We performed unit testing after the completion of a testable module. The unit tests use the PyUnit framework, and is written by another person than the one who produced the code for the module. I.e. if person A makes module M, then person B will write the unit tests for module M. The reason for having another person writing the test for a module is because that will give more people insight in the code, and make it easier to discover problems. The unit tests reside in the test.py file in each Django app.

### 10.2.2 Integration Testing

Each integration test will test a different interface. The interface is defined as the connection between the different components in our system. The pre- and post-condition sets the boundaries for the test. Input and output is used to determine if the test produces the expected output with a corresponding input. The motivation behind integration testing is that we can determine whether a module has been successfully integrated. By going through the accompanied tests made for the interfaces that interact with the module

#### 10.2.3 System Testing

Each separate test in the system test is linked to one or more of the requirements from the requirements specification. This is to ensure that the system meets all the requirements set by the customer. The template for system testing starts with specifying which function is being tested. After that we say what the action/input should be, and what the expected result is. The expected result needs to be achieved for the test to be considered successful.

#### 10.2.4 Acceptance Testing

The customer performed an acceptance test before each release of the system, so they could confirm that we met the expected requirements. The acceptance test was based on our system test, with the customer executing the tasks in the system test. It was approved when the customer was satisfied with how we implemented the requirements.

# 10.3 Testing Results

The results from our testing is presented in this section.

### 10.3.1 Integration Test

Each test has a unique identifier, name, pre/post-conditions and corresponding input and output. An example is given in table 10.1.

Table 10.1: Integration test for adding a sponsor

ID	IT-01
Interface name	Add sponsor
Pre-condtion	Contest is created
Post-condition	Sponsor and image
Input	Image, URL
Output	Sponsor in contest

The integration tests are from our milestone M-03, First release, and only cover the requirements that was necessary for that milestone. As such, we have chosen to move all the integration tests to Appendix G

We formally agreed on what modules our system was made out of and their interfaces. Figure 10.1 shows our view on the system as per milestone M-03. In figure 10.1, we have replaced some default UML symbols and replaced them with the equivalent UML stereotype. The explanations are given in table 10.2. The integration tests we did make are given in appendix G.

Table 10.2: Symbiology for our UML component diagram

UML stereotype	Function
< <pre>&lt;<pre>&lt;<pre>&lt;<pre>&lt;<pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>	The component delivers the given functionality
< <requires>&gt;</requires>	For the component to work it must have the given interface

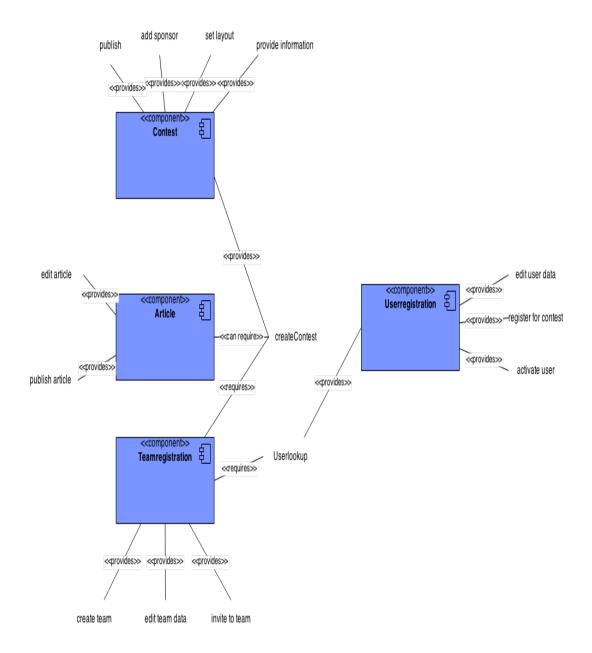


Figure 10.1: Diagram from milestone M-03. Each interface connection, especially "createContest" has been tested

# 10.4 System Test

Our system tests cover all the functional requirements. All tests are written as successive cases. This means that the tests do not cover scenarios for how the system should respond when a user performs an error or another external fault occurs. The complete listing is in table 10.3.

Table 10.3: System test

ID	Function	Action/Input	Result	Req	Pass/Fail
ST-01	Create a contest, and publish an ar- ticle to that con- test. Edit arti- cle.Then, delete the contest.	Contest name, article text	Contest and article is no longer pub- licly available	FA-16,	PASS
ST-02	As a contestant, create a team and invite contestants. Go to profile page and see which team the contestant is amember of. Then, delete the team	Team, contestants, contest	First contestant in team, then contestant not in team	FE-01 FE-02 FE-04 FE-06 FC-04	PASS
ST-03	Add custom css, specify custom settings,	Existing contest, css, compiler flags, penaltysystem, maximum numbers of contestant, maximum number of contestant per team	Contest with custom css and settings	FA-05	PASS
ST-04	Log in as admin, and enable all judges to createa contest. Then remove and add a judge, by escalating and de-escalating privileges from contestant.	Admin account, contestant account	Zero changes to system.	FA-09	PASS

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ID	Function	Action/Input	Result	Dag	Desg /Feil
		· -		Req	Pass/Fail
ST-05	Log in as judge, cre-	Problem, solutions,	Only the correct so-	FJ-01	PASS
	ate a problem and	erroneous code,	lution should give	FJ-02	
	upload cases. Up-	judge account	points.	FJ-03	
	load different solu-			FJ-04	
	tions; one correct,			FJ-05	
	one erroneous, and			FJ-06	
	one that loops for-			FJ-07	
	ever. After that,				
	modify the problem				
	before deleting it.				
ST-06	Add two execution	Compiler profiles,	zero added nodes,	FA-12	PASS
	nodes with different	available nodes,	no errors in execu-	FA-13	
	compiler supports.	production server,	tion		
	Change both nodes,	administrator			
	such that they take	account			
	each other's com-				
	piler setting. Then				
	remove both nodes.				
ST-07	As a contestant,	Contestant, con-	All contestants	FJ-08	PASS
	submit a question	test, question,	should be able		
	to the judge. As a	answer	to see message,		
	judge, receive a no-		successful commu-		
	tification, and an-		nication between		
	swer both the con-		judge and contes-		
	testant and glob-		tant		
	ally.				
ST-08	Create a contes-	Contest-data,	Activation data re-	FC-01	PASS
	tant account. Acti-	emails	ceived on the email,	FC-02	
	vate the account via		and all links word		
	email, and change				
	the email. Ask				
	for lost password on				
	the new email.				

# 10.5 Non-functional testing

The tests related to performance usually comes in pairs, a value and the double of that value. This applies to the input and expected result. This is to ensure that system performance does not scale down in a non-linear way. E.g. if "X" transactions are processed and the server begins using swap memory instead of RAM, this would mean that a high load would cause an exponentially slower load rate for a high number of transactions.

The table 10.4 does not contain all tests that are executed, and the table only covers the first 12 non-functional requirements. The documented tests do, however, ensure some requirements coverage. This is elaborated on in the evaluation chapter (12.

Table 10.4: System tests

Case	Input	ID	Expected Result	Pass/Fail
Adding 500 contestants	500 users	NF-04	Ability to add yet another	PASS
Adding 200 teams	200 teams	NF-05	Ability to add yet another	PASS
Adding 20 judges	20 judges	NF-06	Ability to add yet another	PASS
Adding more than one admin	> 1 admin	NF-07	Ability to add yet another	PASS
Upload a solution which is less than 50kB	Solution > 50kB	NF-08	Successful delivery	PASS
Upload a solution which is greater than 50kB	Solution > 50kB	NF-08	Error message	PASS
Gather some test persons not familiar with the system and have them use the sys- tem as a contestant	System	NF-09	They should be familiar with the system after 5 minutes	FAIL
Gather some test persons not familiar with the system and have them use the sys- tem as a judge	System	NF-11	They should be familiar with the system after 10 minutes	PASS
Gather some test persons not familiar with the system and have them use the sys- tem as an admin	System	NF-10	They should be familiar with the system after 15 minutes	PASS
Page responsiveness with at least 5 RPS	HTTP GET and POST to all pages	NF-01	Response-time < 150 ms	FAIL
Page responsiveness with at least 10 RPS	HTTP GET and POST to all pages	NF-01	Response-time < 300 ms	FAIL

# Chapter 11

# Risk Management Framework

A risk is an event or condition that, if it occurs, could have a negative effect on a project's objectives. To avoid these risks, and to be able to deal with them effectively, we established a risk modelling framework Our framework is based upon our own experience and examples from the many documents that exists on the subject.

By explicitly writing down corresponding actions for risks that occur, we could deal with risks without disagreements. It also let external parties get an overview of what risks we are aware of, and how we reviewed them. The external party can then notify us of unknown risks or modifications to our priorities.

# 11.1 Terminology and Categories

To structurize our risk register, we divided each into the following categories:

- Budget risks are all risks that can be associated with financial aspects of our project.
- Organizational risks are those that might arise because of group structure and task delegation.
- People Management comprises all risks associated with team management and each individual in the group.
- Requirements risks are related to errors in requirements engineering.
- Schedule risks are about meeting deadlines and task delegation.
- **Technology and tools**; product talk about technical risks that might arise with tools and our product.

To prioritize our risks, we have also given each risk a probability, consequence and total risk, abbreviated Pr, C, TR, respectively. Each of these were assigned values from 1-10, where 10 indicated "very high". A 10 translates to the following for each field:

- Consequence: event of risk will be fatal to our project.
- Probability: risk will probably happen
- **Total risk**: The risk is a big threat and should be monitored closely.

Total risk is calculated as Consequence x Probability. By multiplying these numbers, we get a sorted list of the most dangerous risks.

### 11.2 Scope of Risk Assessment

Finding the right balance to the extent of documentation is difficult. Extensive risk-frameworks can consume more hours in maintenance than they save. To deal with our lacking experience, we only wanted to document the most likely risks. To us, this meant only including risks with a total risk value of more than 30

We considered specifying additional information to each risk, like context and associated risks. However, we felt every member of the group had a similar understanding of the risks, so writing this information down would be superfluous. In addition, since the risks were orally reviewed, we did not want to rely too much on what had been written down.

### 11.3 Risk Identification

We tried to involve every group member in the making of the risk register. The estimates from 1 to 10 were assigned based on our own experience from previous projects. The list was filled out by three members of the group, and then later presented to the whole group for reviewal and agreement on the values.

Risks that became known in later parts of our development was promptly added to our risk register. We expected few of these, and few did occur, so we have not performed any revision control. Our means of identifying risks was through discussions and agreements that we were not performing optimally.

### 11.4 Risk Monitoring

Our primary method for surveilling risks was weekly discussions. In these meetings, we had open discussions of the group's progress and development. In addition, we had one monthly meeting where we would discuss the risks more thorough and in-depth. This involved re-discussion of the group's expectations and our involvement in the project. These monthly meetings were referred to as "snapshots". The snapshots specifically addressed the problem that many projects start out quite ambitiously, but tend to deteriorate, something we wanted to avoid.

To avoid groupthink<sup>1</sup> and complacency, we required each group member on our weekly meetings to mention three good and three negative points. After that, each member could bring up extra topics for discussion. For each discussion, we made sure to be conclusive by explicitly writing how to deal with a given problem.

We have frequently involved the supervisor and customer in our process. We made sure to ask for insights on our development progress. After each meeting we also wrote down meeting minutes and a summary. This was later sent to the respective party to ensure agreement on what had been concluded in the meeting.

### 11.5 Complete List of Risks

We have chosen to put the complete list in Appendix D.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The concept of trying to avoid conflict by not speaking one's mind. For more, see: http://www.psysr.org/about/pubs\_resources/groupthink%20overview.htm

# Chapter 12

# **Evaluation**

This chapter contains the group's evaluation regarding different aspect mentioned throughout this report. It will also reflect on the decision we made, what worked well, what we regretted, and what we would have done differently.

### 12.1 Project Management

We chose Scrum since all team members have had previous experience with it, and we felt Scrum would be easy to adapt to our project. Scrum focuses on having finished version of the system after each iteration. This was considered to be an advantage in the work towards our milestones, and, combined with an agile development plan makes Scrum quite different from e.g. the waterfall model. We believe that our use of Scrum contributed to the project's success especially regarding the sprint backlog. We were therefore capable of adapting easily to new customer requirements.

The activity charts were not descriptive enough for facilitating the development process. We wanted to be able to see how many hours were left on a work package as each day passed by, and which packages people spent time on a given day. The way we solved this was to change the activity chart template, with another more descriptive template, sprint backlog.

Scrum gave us structure to our meetings and development process. Three meetings a week worked well for us, even though Scrum specifies a daily meeting. The project group had other courses that required work-hours, and therefore were not able to work on the project every day. What we did, that worked well for us, was to increase the meeting frequency when we were close to a milestone, or had a sprint with a large amount of planned work hours.

We decided to do most of our work in pairs. At the start, this was challenging considering the pace at which the work had to be performed. The work was also sometimes split between more than two persons. Examples of this was during bug hunting and bug fixing. Delegating tasks in this manner would let the pair distribute minor tasks without interference from the other team members. Some tasks, however, was delegated to one person. With varying results. If the tasks turned out to be bigger than first expected, a group member could spend to much time on it. That combined with

a poor result could contribute to even more wasted time. An example of such a task would be the implementation of the highscore.

Another important feature we incorporated in the process was to switch tasks. The intention was that all group members should have experience in different areas. Initially, this contributed to prolonging the work process, but in the long run, increased the understanding of the totality of the project. A different approach would be to split the tasks between group members, e.g. letting one part focus on the backend and the other on the fronted. Heading towards the final event we developed more well defined roles. Such a change was introduced based on an estimate of how much time we had left. The implementation of execution nodes is a good example of this. It was done and completed by two of our group members. This was not something we wanted, but the time constraints forced us to take this risk.

The tools we used are described in tools and frameworks. We were not familiar with all of the tools before we started on this project, hence the prestudy phase. We spent time learning Django, which was a large part of the project. Django comes with an integrated admin interface, that we took advantage of. It took some time to learn Django, and we definitely had some setbacks in the beginning just figuring out how to use the framework. Django was a good choice, the admin interface was a huge time saver, and worked well for the intended purposes. It can be a bit hard to get used to the admin interface, but we had an extensive user manual. This can be found in user manual.

Jenkins and AppArmor are tools we spent time on learning without actually using them for our product. It is easy in retrospect to consider this as wasted time. Jenkins was in our prestudy phase because we wanted to have a large testing coverage, helping facilitate our unit tests. We did not have the amount of unit tests required for Jenkins to be useful. We intend to use AppArmor to help with the security on the back end, but decided that we did not have sufficient time. The choice of back end security is reflected upon in preestudy chapter

Another time consuming tool was Google Drive. Originally we decided on writing the report using Drive, but discovered that it did not perform optimal. The NTNU mailing list was used to communicate with the customer and judges, which went well. IRC for internal communication was used to a lesser degree as the process went forward. A reason might have been the more cooperative working environment developed towards the end.

There were several different frameworks and programming languages available for us to use. In programming languages such as Java and PHP the user have to implement most of the features themselves. We did not choose those because we had limited time and therefore wanted a framework that provided the necessary functionality. Among the options available we choose Django, rejecting frameworks like Ruby on rails, Flask and Symphony.

The breakdown structure of the work was used more often in the beginning of the project than at the end. We felt it was helpful to get an overview of the work to be done, time at hand and deadlines to come. At the end, however, the focus had to be on the product- and sprint backlog. As a consequence the Gantt chart in fig 3.2 is not completely correct. Instead we picked, from the product backlog, a set of packages we knew we had to complete before the next milestone.

Our biggest challenge in project management was prioritizing between the report and the product. As can be seen in, [kap 3, Milestones], three of our milestones were report submissions. It put significant pressure on us to have the course deadlines in addition to the deadlines for the product.

The way we tackled this challenge was to increase the planned work hours. We did not want the product, or the report, to be down-prioritized, since we deemed them both important. However, we were all aware that the end product was important, and we had a lot of people relying on the product working as intended on IDI Open. The amount of documentation created always took a hit during high workload weeks, since we simply did not have the time to document everything.

## 12.2 Evaluation of prestudy (Chapter 04)

During the initial prestudy phase most of our time was spent learning the fundamental concepts of Django. Our decision to use a programming language and framework previously unknown to us, might have had a negative impact on our initial productivity. However, as we progressed we became more comfortable with Django, and as a result our productivity increased.

Our research into the old system gave us a better understanding of the requirement specification, and a better overview of possible pitfalls. We hoped to find some reusable code, which could have saved us a lot of work, however, this was not the case. Arguably we might have spent less time inspecting the old system. We felt that in order to avoid misunderstandings regarding the requirements, inspecting the old system was a priority.

We probably could have spent less time and reached the same goals. However we did reach the primary goals of our prestudy, and ended up feeling comfortable with the tools we chose, the product we were replacing, and the process ahead of us. The mixture of documenting and learning tools and framework was not ideal. Presenting a more clear separation between those two could have improved the work and the prestudy. E.g by dividing the two into different sprints.

## 12.3 Evaluation of Requirement Specification

After getting assigned IDI Open as our project, the customer was quick with emailing us the first draft for requirements. We made a list of functional and non-functional requirements based on the draft, and presented it to the customer. During the development process there surfaced some requirements not included in the requirement specification. This was due to new functionality requested by the customer.

After finishing the development we had met most of the requirements. Although some LOW prioritized requirements were left unimplemented. See [Chapter 5 Requirements] for specific requirements not met. These requirements were initially proposed by the customer as additional features. In the end we were not able to implement all of them. Our product is open-source

When the contest was finished, the customer emailed us some additional requirements. These were mainly proposed by the judges who had used the system. Since GentleIDI will be open source, the implementation of these features will not necessarily be implemented by us. We will add a list with all known requested improvements to the Git repository.

### 12.4 Evaluation of User Interface

We were initially concerned about making many changes to the interface, because our customer did not express a desire to change much about it. We took this into consideration while making the interface, and made sure that we kept all the functionality from the old site. We received helpful continuous feedback from several different stakeholders, most importantly our customer. That helped us become more confident with the direction we were taking.

We had a test event the 26. April. This gave us a unique opportunity to receive feedback from all contest stakeholders. The most valuable feedback was received from the judges.

They wanted to make it easier to filter what type of information displayed in the overview. We made the changes they wanted, the result can be viewed in Figure 7.8.

All members of the project group has completed the course TDT4180, human-machine interaction. We drew upon our experiences gathered from that course, and followed Shneiderman's eight golden rules of interface design<sup>1</sup>. Our main focus has been on consistency, feedback and prevention of errors. Errors made by the contestants should not affect the whole system. The system provides feedback to the user after each action, and the feedback is colour coded with green, red and orange. Green means that the action went well, red that the action failed, and orange when the action did not work because of other factors

We used the tools Bootstrap and Grappelli to make it easier to create a consistent design. We think we saved time by using these tools. In retrospect we should have focused more on universal usability, Shneiderman's second rule, to accommodate contestants with impaired vision. Additionally the site is not optimized for mobile devices, as seen in, Appendix J. We did not prioritize mobile devices, because the contestants would use computer during the competition.

We received positive comments regarding our user interface, and the customer was satisfied with the end result. The structure of the old design is preserved, and the design of the new functionality will increase the usability during the contest. It is easy to customize because we focused on modularity and extendability. In conclusion the new design is easier to maintain, looks more modern, and has extended functionality.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.cs.umd.edu/users/ben/goldenrules.html

### 12.5 Evaluation of Implementation (Chapter 8)

In general we are quite satisfied with the code as it is. Most of the code is easy to understand and follows the conventions of Django. However, there are some aspects that could be improved. For instance there are some apps that probably should have been merged together and others that could have been split into two separate apps. E.g the contest app could have been split into two different apps, named team and contest. As it is today, some of our apps are tightly linked and will not function properly without each other. An example of this the apps changeemail and userregistration. This cripples the modularity that Django apps are intended to provide. We could have avoided this by creating all the apps in advance. This would have required us to have a more comprehensive understanding of Django. Resulting in a longer prestudy phase. As mentioned, the solution would be to merge some of the apps and split some of the larger ones, however, we have not found the time to do this. These are not to be considered major flaws, but rather minor imperfections.

Aside from the mentioned flaws, our implementation is both functioning properly and well-written. Our Celery cluster provides powerful scalability which enables us to meet enormous loads, given access to additional hardware. Both Django and the database servers also scale well. This means that we have little to no part of our system that is unable to scale properly. Making sure that our system will not stand in the way of any plans to expand IDI Open was one of our main goals.

There are aspects of our system that proved troublesome during the event, most notable of which is the highscore list. The highscore list performs many of calculations on a lot of data, which results in a high load on the Web server. Views in django can be cached in such a way that it does not have to give newly updated info at all times. This would save the server a lot of work, however, we were unable to get this in place in time.

## 12.6 Evaluation of Development

The first challenge the group faced was the introduction of milestone M-03, first release.

This milestone was presented to us after we had created the WBS and Gantt chart. As a consequence of this we had to update the diagrams. The customer wanted the contestants to have the opportunity to register early. In our opinion, we felt that the milestone could have been set a couple of weeks later, without affecting the end product or the number of contestants registered. This is because most of the contestants did not register prior to two weeks of the contest. It did, however, force us to start the implementation earlier, which might have had a positive effect.

The amount of milestones felt overwhelming at times. Some of the milestones

presented by the course, M-01, M-02 and M-04, did not fit well with our plan. As a response to this, we created an earlier deadline for the mid-semester report, M-02, than given by the course. Our own deadline gave us more time to focus on the implementation.

Milestone M-05, beta release, was set by the group. We wanted to meet as many requirements as possible. Requirements and tasks we had not yet started on, risked to receive low priority before the next milestone. This was because we feared a limited time left before the event.

Our Gantt chart suggested that the implementation of execution node(s) should have been started on earlier. However, this functionality was implemented during easter, working towards the test event, M-07, which was later than planned. We were aware of this delay early, and we worked it into our plan. In general, working toward the test event and shortening our easter vacation, was a good experience. During this period we learned a lot and it might have been the most instructive of our phases.

The weeks after the event felt easier on the group, with the exception of CSV and PDF implementation, FO-02. During the past week the group had grown confident about the system. After the event was completed, we focused on writing a report that reflected the end product in the best possible way. There were some challenges regarding the length and content. Due to the complexity of our system we had a lot of functionality that had to be more thoroughly documented. This made it harder for us to constrict the length of our report

A lesson we learned during the development phase is the power of good planning. It is important to have an open discussion on all topics in the process. Doing this helped us to successfully adapt our plan to a changing reality. The workload may have been better distributed over the sprints. We believe that a broader prestudy phase with clearer goals could have helped us in the process. The fact that we were prepared for increased workload towards the end of the project helped.

### 12.7 Evaluation of Testing Methods

Our initial testing plans included a large coverage of unit- and integration tests. We did not have time to gain the coverage intended. It can be argued that this was wasted time, since we ended up relying more on other forms of testing. However, the unit tests covered some of the important parts of the system, and we discovered a few new bugs through running them. The shortage of unit and integrations tests came from the time constraints.

The majority of our testing has been inspection-based. This has been considered time efficient for us. As we have developed the entire system from scratch, and worked with it over a long time period, we have had good knowledge of the system. Thus, inspection-based testing has been largely effective. The problem is that there is no way to formally agree on which components have been tested, or to what extent. Additionally, future maintainers are much more likely to make errors as they do not know what components are connected, or what kind of tests should be executed.

All code was reviewed by at least two persons. We believe this improved the quality of our code. We also had the advantage of having customers and judges that had access to our source code.

The test event was of value. There was discovered some bugs. Additionally, receiving acceptance from the judges was important. The meetings we had with the customer, was mostly to make sure we were implementing the requirements in a satisfactory way. The customer did not test the system thoroughly on the meetings. Instead, the system was available for them through the website, and they could test the system when they had time. Whenever they found bugs, they reported them to us by email, and we fixed them promptly. This gave us more time to focus on implementation and bug fixing.

Not all the non-functional tests passed. We now know that we should have performed these tests earlier in the process, especially load-testing. This could have made us more aware of load problems.

As it happened we discovered the failures regarding responsiveness too late. We had other tasks that had a higher priority, and the customer deemed the the current responsiveness good enough. The reason for not testing earlier was that we relied on the test event to discover the load problems. The test event did not have as many contestants as we expected on the real event, so we realized that we had to execute a load test before the real event.

Our goal for the test event was to be finished with all the requirements, so the customer and the judges could test everything thoroughly before IDI Open. The test event lasted for a couple of hours, and was meant to simulate IDI Open. About thirty people participated on the test event, including judges, our customer and contestants. We received feedback on bugs and minor issues. We took them into consideration, and discussed a plan with our customer for the last week. The test event helped us a lot, because we had more people than before that was testing the system simultaneously.

#### 12.8 Customer Interaction

We had biweekly meetings with the customer. Our customer was technologically adept, which coloured how we interacted with them. The meetings had an informal structure with a predefined agenda, as requested by the customer. Our customer was located at NTNU, so we had the opportunity to meet them several times during the course of the project. We were satisfied with the meetings, and felt that we had a mutual understanding with the customer. There were some miscommunications regarding the requirements, however, they got cleared up fast. E.g. We were under the impression that the teams were unique to a contest. The customer, however, wished for teams to be reusable. It did not cause major arguments.

The email list was used frequently, and the customer always responded with an answer within a day. This made it easy for us to communicate, and also as a consequence the need for meeting decreased.

Håkon had the role of communicating with the customer through emails. After the first two weeks, we felt that this did not work well and it was easier if everyone sent and answered emails. However, the problem with allowing everyone to answer emails, is that it is easy to read an email, and think that someone else will answer it. The way we handled this problem was by discussing the emails at meetings, and with good internal communication.

The primary reason for meetings with the customer was to show them newly implemented features, and including them in the development as much as possible. They already had access to our source code, however, we wanted as much feedback as possible. The meetings gave us reassurance that we had understood the requirements, and were moving in the right direction.

## 12.9 Supervisor Interaction

We had meetings with our supervisor biweekly. Prior to each meeting we sent a status report, our sprint backlog and an agenda for the meeting. The templated used for agendas can be viewed in Appendix L. In the first couple of meetings we had trouble communicating the amount of work done. This changed after we started using the sprint backlog instead of the activity chart. Sprint backlogs can be viewed in Appendix K. At the beginning of each meeting, we would go through meeting minutes with our supervisor. The meeting minutes had conclusions we agreed on in the last meeting, and made sure that our group and the supervisor had the same understanding.

The feedback we received from the supervisor helped us greatly in improving how we documented our progress. She gave feedback on status reports and sprint backlogs we delivered, regarding how we documented the last two weeks. The supervisor gave us feedback on the report, which made writing the report easier since we had guidelines to follow. It was also helpful to have someone outside of our group that we could talk with, and discuss the issues we were facing.

### 12.10 Group Dynamics

Our group consisted of six people. The majority had worked with each other on previous projects. These previous experiences could be utilized in a creative manner. We created a private Facebook group to easily communicate meeting times and other project related topics. Phone numbers were exchanged. The communication in the group was outstanding and it was easy to get a hold of another group member if you had any questions. We think this can be attributed to frequently meetings and using social media, i.e. Facebook and IRC.

The fact that we knew each other had an impact on the project. There was a lower threshold for disagreeing, which enabled the creative process. We believe that having discussions often brings forth the best solutions. We had a vote system, where the Scrum Master had the deciding vote in case of a tie. This helped to conclude discussions that took too long, or got to the point where we could not agree. We think this was a good mechanism to make decisions fast, when necessary.

One of our biggest successes with Scrum was the end meetings, where we reviewed the previous sprint. These meetings gave us a unique ability to discuss how the project was proceeding. We used the reflections to improve the project process, as well as in the planning of the following sprints. We found it helpful to have a determined time each week designed for expressing opinions freely. All of the group members had to list up three good and bad aspects of the previous sprint, this was mandatory and proved helpful, because it made us aware of problems encountered each week.

In the first meetings, we spent a lot of time discussing how we would plan the development. We had different views on what we should start with first, and how we should prioritise. We solved the conflicts with reviewing the options we had with the customer or supervisor. Some of the discussions could have been addressed later in the project, when they were more relevant. E.g. during sprint 2 we spent time discussing the implementation of the execution node(s); feature that was not implemented before sprint 10/11. Also, the result from the discussion in week 2 was not used in the final product.

In order to avoid late comings the person arriving late had to bring a cake to next meeting. We think this contributed to fewer late comings, and a better mood.

We worked in pairs and tried to change the pairs for each sprint. This worked well, and allowed us to work in an environment with different perspectives. It gave us an opportunity to draw upon each others experiences. As the project progressed it became difficult to change the pairs, due to the growing complexity of the system. It was time consuming to include everyone in every aspect. We decided to have a stricter division of roles. Our focus moved away from changing the pairs each sprint, to keeping the same people working on the same components until they were done. This speeded up the implementation, but is regarded as a risk. The tasks implemented could, in worst case, not meet our standards and be something different than what we had in mind.

In future projects, if we know we are going to be working in a small team, we would reconsider making a long risk list for reviewals. Instead, maybe a list with up to five items could be drafted. This list could then hold an agreement on how to deal with people being late or not delivering on time, and other similar items. These are risks where a pre-defined action can avoid that the leader will have to be "bossy" or "mean" to penalize the members of the group. We have found these entries in the risk register to be especially effective.

We organized social events, e.g. code nights, that was meant to improve the moral of the group. We finished the project as friends, and we grew closer to each other.

### 12.11 End Product

The end product, GentleIDI, was used during IDI Open 2014. After the event we received several emails from the customer and contestants with positive feedback. Here is a translation of the email from the customer.

You have exceeded every expectation with your work. Your efforts and skills has been top from day one. You understood the specifications easily, and you tackled our (at times strange and maybe impractical) requests very well. There were many priorities and some hard decisions at times, which is something that is a part of every project with a deadline. With the time you had at your disposal, was I and everyone I talked with after the contest very impressed with what you managed to achieve.

The old system was used for 11 years, and I think your system will be used for longer than that. With your system becoming open source, it might be used to arrange contests other places as well. You can write proudly on your CV that you have developed something that is used by IDI to arrange one of their biggest social arrangements, that for many is the highlight of the year.

What role you want to play in the future development of the new system is up to you. Your experience will be worth a lot if you wish to fiddle with the system on a quiet Sunday. I hope you decide to participate on IDI Open 2015.

If you ever need a recommendation letter for a job, exchange, etc., you have my email address.

Your rating: 10/10. (also known as: "would hire to replace an old system again").

— Christian Neverdal Jonassen

One goal with the product was that it should be open source, so that other developers could develop it further. The customer agreed to make the product open source, and it will be added to a public repository containing the source code. Appendix C contains an installation guide, which we made to help future developers. We felt that the customer appreciated the work we did, and that they will continue to use, and develop, our system for the following IDI Open events.

The system worked perfectly, and managed to run all the submissions in the contest. At the end of the contest, we had over 1000 submissions that were successfully run.

However, not all the feedback was positive. Some of the judges were dissatisfied with the clarification system. The problem being that you could not send a message directly to a team, all messages were globally shown on the website. We had previously discussed this with our customer, and reached an agreement that we would down-prioritize the clarification system, and focus on other parts of the system. We could have made a more adequate clarification, if we were given more time, or had prioritized differently.

The Judge supervisor, [Chapter 7 admin interface], was an enormous success with the judges. It was constantly used to gain an overview over the contest. What they seemed to enjoy the most, was that you could see the source code for each submission, and in that way they could help teams that were doing poorly. The balloon functionaries also seemed satisfied with the balloon system, making their job easier.

### 12.12 Future Work

After the main event, we discovered that some parts of the system could be improved. The clarification system should give the judges a choice to send a clarification directly to a specific team. The teams need to receive a notification when they receive a clarification. Also the highscore list is not cached, which could improve its efficiency.

We would also like to do some additional work on the execution nodes. This was uncharted territory for us, and part of it took longer than anticipated. In the event that we had more time, we would like to increase the security around user uploaded programs. As discussed in the prestudy chapter, security could be improved significantly by getting mechanisms like AppArmor in place.

The full list of requirements not implemented, and new additional proposed functionality is located in 5.5 and 5.6.

# Appendix A

# **Sprints**

This appendix holds an overview over our sprints, throughout the project. For a more complete list over packages completed see [insert section where activity/sprint backlog are]

This is just an overview were we are trying to bring out the more important aspects of our sprints.

# A.1 Template

Sprint: <sprint nr=""></sprint>	Working towards: <insert milestone<="" th=""></insert>	
Overview over packages to be completed:		
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Improvements:		
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# A.2 Sprint 0

# A.3 Sprint 1

Sprint: 0-a Working towards: M-01

Overview over packages to be completed:

- Read and learn the requirement received from the customer
- Set up tools
- Project management
- Learning tools and framework

#### Improvements:

• A better meeting structure

#### Notes:

#### Packages completed:

• Tools for communication was set up

#### Summary:

Learning to know the requirements and the subject as a whole was our main concern at this stage. We also did some research on what framework we should use.

# A.4 Sprint 1

Sprint: 1 Working towards: M-01

Overview over packages to be completed:

- Project management
- Install and learn tools
- Report

Improvements:

#### Notes:

- Tino and Eirik was sent out on seminar. Learning about SCRUM
- Trying to use ICEScrum for Scrum related activites

#### Packages completed:

- $\bullet$  WBS
- Risk assignment
- Functional requirements
- Class diagram

#### Summary:

Most of the tools was set up, we started to some modelling, in order to get a better overview over the system to be implemented. This was also documentations to be used in the report. We also systematized the requirements in order to communicate with the customer. Project roles was also distributed.

# A.5 Sprint 2

Sprint: 2 Working towards: M-01
Overview over packages to be completed:

• Project management

Improvements:

Notes:

### Packages completed:

- Requirement specification
- System architecture
  - Flow charts
  - class diagrams
- $\bullet$  ER-Models
- Preliminary report

### Summary:

At this point we had a rough understanding of the work ahead of us, and we were able to start modelling possible solutions. This was also close to the deadline for the preliminary report and as a consequence a lot of time was spent on the report.

# A.6 Sprint 3

Sprint: 3 Working towards: M-02

Overview over packages to be completed:

• Development

#### Improvements:

- Better sprint planning
- $\bullet$  We should improve our task delegation
- ullet We should prioritize tasks

Notes:

#### Packages completed:

• Development

#### Summary:

During the past two sprints we had primarily been planning and doing administrative tasks. This sprint marked the end of that phase. We moved on to actual implementing. However, we ere not familiar with the tools and frameworks available to us, and as a consequence we decided to use this sprint to get everyone up to date on Django//python. We had a coding night this sprint. Working all members together.

# A.7 Sprint 4

Sprint: 4 Working towards: M-02

Overview over packages to be completed:

• User-interface
• Project management

Improvements:
• The activity diagrams does not reflect upon our actual work done.

Notes:

Packages completed:
• User interface

Summary:
During sprint 4 we knew we had to improve our WBS. We had a long meeting where we rebuild

our backlog, reviewed SCRUM and created a release- and backlog.

# A.8 Sprint 5

Sprint: 5 Working towards: <insert milestone

Overview over packages to be completed:

- $\bullet$  Development
- $\bullet$  Report

 $\bullet$  Tesplan

Improvements:

#### Notes:

• This sprint we had a meeting with the supervisor discussing the activity diagrams. Show suggested that we switch them with our

### Packages completed:

- Sponsor support
- $\bullet$  Testplan

### Summary:

We had a good overview over what should be in the report at this point. A finished version was right around the corner. In general, this weeks meeting went much faster than the last. The group was happy about that.

# A.9 Sprint 6

Sprint: 6	Working towards: M-02/M-03
Overview over packages to be completed:	
• Mid-term report	
Improvements:	
Notes:	
Packages completed:	
• Mid-term report	
• Testplan	
• User-interface completed in bootstrap	
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Summary:	
This sprint we finished the mid-term report and the	ne user-interface was completed. We was happy
with the result. We also finished the mid term in fe	and time before the actual deliver

# A.10 Sprint 7

Sprint: 7 Working towards: M-03/M-04

Overview over packages to be completed:

- Representation
- Implementation
- Write tests.

### Improvements:

• We must be better to work with other group members code.

#### Notes:

### Packages completed:

- Login completed
- User registration completed
- Team registration completed

#### Summary:

During this sprint we had boost with the implementation. We were busy making our Firs release. Unfortunately we did not have time to set up the solution live this sprint .It was postponed to after the weekend.

# A.11 Sprint 8

Sprint: 8 Working towards: M-05 Overview over packages to be completed: • Testing  $\bullet\,$  Set up solution live • Fixing bugs ullet Peer evalutaion Improvements: Notes: <any notes>Packages completed: • Testing • Bug fixing - Change email - Forgot password • Peer evalutaion Summary: After we put the solution up, there was sum bugs and testing to be done. We had not had the opportunity to test, by our standards, yet. We did this while the solution was live.

# A.12 Sprint 9

Sprint: 9 Working towards: M-06

Overview over packages to be completed:

- $\bullet$  Implementation
- Permission testing
- $\bullet$  user manual
- Project mamagement

#### Improvements:

- We had to be more consistent with testing
- Better to fill out sprint documents.

#### Notes:

• We received the Peer Evaluation.

### Packages completed:

- Possible to upload solutions
- Models

#### Summary:

This sprint was probably our worst planned sprint. With better planning we could have finished a lot more coding. Unfortunately this was not the case and we spent unnecessary much time in the wrong direction. We were, however happy with our peer evaluation.

# A.13 Sprint 10

Sprint: 10 Working towards: M-05

Overview over packages to be completed:

• Implementation

#### Improvements:

• Still improvement to been done with filling out sprint backlog.

#### Notes:

• This sprint was 9 days long

### Packages completed:

- Implementation
  - Execution nodes
  - Compiler profiles
  - Upload solution

#### Summary:

This was the last sprint before Easter. We were more thrilled with this sprint but. we knew had to shorten our easter vacation. We had a good start with much of the implementation and we finally felt like we had a good overview over everything.

# A.14 Sprint 11

Sprint: 11 Working towards: M-05

Overview over packages to be completed:

• Implementation

### Improvements:

• We knew we needed discipline to make it

#### Notes:

- Parts of this sprint was during easter
- $\bullet\,$  This sprint was 11 days

#### Packages completed:

- Upload submission
- Penalty systematized
- Review system status
- Judge supervisor
- Error messages

#### Summary:

During this sprint, we did not setup a sprint backlog. Instead we kept an well documented TODO list. Every day all members would tell which tasks from the TODO list they would work on. At the end of the day we told each other what was missing. This sprint went great and we were actually finished some days before M-05-.

# A.15 Sprint 12

Sprint: 12 Working towards: M-07 Overview over packages to be completed:  $\bullet$  Development • Bugfixes • Setup Improvements: Notes: • Last sprint before final event Packages completed:  $\bullet$  Highsvore  $\bullet$  CSV and PDF support • Several execution nodes • judge contest acsess Summary: Are last sprint before the final event consisted mainly on small bugfixes. There were, however, some tasks that took longer time than estimated. That would be CSV and PDF

# A.16 Sprint After

Sprint: After Working towards: M-08

Overview over packages to be completed:

- Final report
- Small bugfixes
- User Manual

## Improvements:

• Effiency and communication is import this last period

#### Notes:

• We did create a traditional sprint backlog for this sprint. We did however have frequent meeting discussing what to finish when

# Packages completed:

- Final report
- small bugfixes
- User manual

#### Summary:

When we worked towards the final report we decided on a different tactic than the other sprints. Instead of creating a sprint backlog, holding all the tasks, we broke down the report into chapters. Some of which was already finished. For each chapter we talked about what key ponts we wanted to write about for so deciding a pair that should write that part. Then, before we met next time, another pair would view, comments and generally share some points about that chapter.

# Appendix B

# User stories

Role: Contestant

ID	Priority	Story
SC-01	HIGH	A contestant should be registered with an email, name, gender, and study
		programme and level. When registered, he/she should receive a confirmation
		email. After confirming the account, a contestant should be able to log in.
SC-02	HIGH	When a contestant is logged in he/she will have access to account information
		and which teams he/she are invited to, as well as earlier contests and teams they
		have participated in. The contestant should be able to edit account information
SC-03	MED	A clarification system will be available to contestants, where they can ask ques-
		tions to the judges. They will also have access to answers the judges have
		marked as global.

# Role: Teams

ID	Priority	Story
ST-01	HIGH	A contestant must [18.02] be able to register a team, upon registration he/she
		is required to input team name, whether or not the team is onsite, a team
		password, and a email for the team leader.
ST-02	HIGH	The team leader should be able to edit the team information, invite new mem-
		bers, and delete the team before the competition. To invite new members you
		input their email, and they receive a registration link, where he/she inputs
		name, gender and nickname. If the contestant [changed from email 20.02] is
		already in the database from a previous competition, the email they receive
		contains a confirmation link. Every contestant can manage the team they are
		a member of. All informations is editable in the team overview which can be
		reached from a contestants login. A confirmation email is sent to the edited
		user.
ST-03	MED	A team should be able to deliver submissions to problems, and get a response
		from the system. The response should be whether the submission is right,
		wrong, or gives timeout.

# Role: Functionary

ID	Priority	Story
SF-01	LOW	When a team completes a problem, a table containing the group name and
		location should be updated to include this. Each problem has a corresponding balloon colour. A balloon functionary should be able to register a balloon colour to each problem.

# Role: Judge

ID	Priority	Story
SJ-01	MED	A judge can submit a problem, where he/she will be able to upload cases with
		input/output. He/she can give every case a name. For each problem the judge
		can set a resource limit (time + memory) for each compiler profiles. He/she can
		upload different solutions that gives the right output, timeout and the wrong
		answer. All the solutions should be run-able and produce an output about the
		expected result, and if the execution time is inside the given boundaries. He/she
		should also be able to check that all problems have associated solutions that
		give right and wrong answer, and timeout.
SJ-02	MED	A clarification system will be available to judges, where they can receive and
		respond to messages from contestants. When receiving a message, the judge will
		get a notification (possible in in the bottom right corner of the website, [Design
		choice]). A judge can choose to either send a global message or a message to a
		contestant or a team. A global message will be sent to every contestant in the
		competition.

# Role: Admin

ID	Priority	Story
SA-01	HIGH	Will be able to create a new contest. When doing so a new web page should be created, but whether the site should be immediately published or not is optional. The content of the new site follows a strict template, but adding a custom css-file will be possible. Each contest has got its own settings, containing a list of supported compiler profiles, compiler flags, penalty system, maximum number of contestants, maximum number of contestants per team, and of course a date and a name. When creating a contest the admin needs to provide a name and a date, the other settings may be skipped and default settings will be used.
SA-02	HIGH	Users are organized in user groups (admin being one of them). By default three usergroups are provided, admin, judge, contestant and functionary. The entire solution is based on independent modules of functionality and each user group has got access to a subset of these modules. The admin is the only non-modifiable user group, admins have access to all modules. The admins can modify all other user groups, change permissions of a group and remove/add member to a group, this includes promoting new admins. The admins are also able to deactivate users, and even remove them from the database.
SA-03	MED	The system is able to gather a large variety of statistics, what data is to be collected is decided by the admins.
SA-04	HIGH	The system uses a collection of nodes(computers) for assessing submissions. The admins can add a node by providing an IP address and the username and password of a privileged user on that node. These nodes can also be removed by the admins. The nodes can also be managed in terms of compiler profile support.
SA-05	HIGH	The web page associated with a contest consists of a set of news items, these can be added by the admin. As with the entire contest web page the publishing of the news item can be set to a certain date and time. The news items can also be removed or modified later on.

# Appendix C

# Installation Guide

This is the complete installation guide for GentleIDI. The guide will assume that the reader has got some basic Linux skills. You should be capable of installing packages by means of a package-manager like apt, yum etc.

Though GentleIDI is not tightly linked with any specific linux distro, this guide assumes that you're using Ubuntu Server 14.04. This is the only distro on which the system has been tested thoroughly at the time of writing.

GentleIDI is in many ways a straightforward Django-based website, and hence there are a lot of possible setups to choose from. This guide is inspired by a guide written by Michal Karzynski<sup>1</sup>, and will guide you through the steps of setting up the system using a combination of Gunicorn and Nginx.

# C.1 Creating Your Users

Running a website as a user with root privileges or anything of the sort is far from recommended. Therefore you are advised to create a new user and a new usergroup. The names of both the group and the user can be chosen as you please, but the rest of the guide will stick to using a user called gentleidi and a group named webapps.

```
sudo mkdir -p /webapps/gentleidi
sudo groupadd --system webapps
sudo useradd --system --gid webapps --home /webapps/gentleidi gentleidi
sudo chown gentleidi:webapps /webapps/gentleidi/
```

Now you have a user named gentleidi which is a member of the usergroup webapps, and whose home directory is /webapps/gentleidi.

 $<sup>^{1} \</sup>verb|http://michal.karzynski.pl/blog/2013/06/09/django-nginx-gunicorn-virtualenv-supervisor/$ 

In addition to the user we just created, we need another user, specifically used to run the untrusted software submitted by the contestants. GentleIDI assumes that this user is named gentlemember. However, changing this value in the source is no complicated matter.

```
sudo useradd --system gentlemember
```

The system needs to be able to execute commands both as gentleidi and gentlemember. As the Web server runs as gentleidi we need to make sure that gentleidi can execute commands as gentlemember. Add the following line to your sudoers file.

```
gentleidi ALL=(gentlemember) NOPASSWD:ALL
```

If you don't know how to edit your sudoers, to open the sudoers file in a text editor simply type the following command:

```
sudo visudo
```

Now we've got two users, one capable of executing commands as the other. What we want to do now is to ensure that gentlemember is unable to communicate via network. This is done by applying two rather straightforward iptable rules.

```
sudo iptables -A OUTPUT -m owner --uid-owner gentlemember -j LOG sudo iptables -A OUTPUT -m owner --uid-owner gentlemember -j REJECT
```

Though this will restrict the user's network access, be aware of software installed on your system which is capable of switching to another user.

# C.2 Setting Up the Environment

Due to a lot of strict changes made in Python versions, a lot of libraries do not work across different versions of Python. This leaves Python in a situation where program A might need Python to be version X and program B might need python to be version Y. To solve this problem you can set up a virtual environment.

Virtual environments is a way of setting up separate python setups for different sets of programs.

What we want to do is to turn the home directory of the gentleidi user into a virtual environment

```
sudo apt-get install python-virtualenv
sudo su gentleidi
virtualenv /webapps/gentleidi/env
```

Now that you've got a virtual environment you can start filling it with something useful, like the content of the project's Git repository.

```
cp -r /path/to/repo/IDIOpen/ /webapps/gentleidi/
```

Please note that you only need the wsgi folder from the repository, however, updating is a lot easier when all you've got to do is pull the latest version directly using Git. The downside is that

you could possibly end up committing your production system configuration files etc. to the repo. However, we're going to assume that you will not be developing directly in your production system, and thereby avoid the hazard.

Before leaving this step, ensure that the files in /webapps/gentleidi has got the correct file permissions.

sudo chown -R gentleidi:webapps /webapps/gentleidi

# C.3 Installing Required Packages

Now it's time to start making sure that you've got the packages you need to run GentleIDI.

```
sudo apt-get install git nginx libmysqlclient-dev python-dev
```

You might already have most of these packages, however, better safe than sorry.

The next thing you need to do before continuing is to log in as gentleidi and activate your newly created virtual environment.

```
sudo su gentleidi
source /webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/activate
```

Installing the required Python packages via PyPI is easily done. In the project root directory there's a file named requirements.txt. This file is simply a list of required packages, to install them simply execute the following:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

# C.4 Database

GentleIDI needs a database to store its data. This guide will show you how to setup GentleIDI with a MySQL database server, however, if you feel like using PostgreSQL, or even SQLite, then please do. Any database server supported by Django is supported by GentleIDI.

Naturally you don't need to install the database server on the same host as the Web server, that's what we'll do for now.

```
sudo apt-get install mysql-server
```

Now what we need to do is to create a database and a MySQL user that GentleIDI can use. During the install process you were required to set a root password for the MySQL-server. Login as root and perform the following commands:

```
CREATE USER gentledb'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'password';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON * \@. * TO 'newuser'@'localhost';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
CREATE DATABASE gentleidi CHARACTER SET uft8 COLLATE utf8_general_ci;
```

Remember to replace "gentledb" and "password" with a suitable username and password. Now you need to ensure that GentleIDI uses your newly created database. Edit the DATABASES entry in IDIOpen/wsgi/openshift/settings.py

#### if MYSQL:

```
DATABASES = {
    'default': {
        'ENGINE' : 'django.db.backends.mysql',
        'NAME' : 'gentleidi',
        'USER' : 'gentledb',
        'PASSWORD' : 'password',
        'HOST' : 'localhost',
        'PORT' : '3306',
```

In order to make sure that the database is working properly, log in as gentleidi, activate your environment and synchronize GentleIDI's database.

```
sudo su gentleidi
source /webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/activate
python /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/manage.py syncdb
python /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/manage.py migrate
```

If this command terminates properly, then your database should be good to go. In fact you should be able to run GentleIDI on a development server at this point. But first, you need to create an admin account. To do so, simply execute the following:

python /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/openshift/manage.py createsuperuser

To start the development server run:

```
python /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/openshift/manage.py runserver
```

You should now have a working website running on port 8000. However, you have no execution nodes available to evaluate submissions, and you're using Django's development server, which scales horribly.

# C.5 Gunicorn

Now it's time to install replace the Django development server with a proper application server, Gunicorn. Remember to be logged in as gentleidi, and to activate your environment before proceeding.

```
pip install gunicorn
```

Now we need a script that launches Gunicorn and GentleIDI appropriately.

```
#!/bin/bash
# Name of the application
NAME=GentleIDI
```

```
DJANGODIR=/webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/ # Django project directory
SOCKFILE=/webapps/gentleidi/run/gunicorn.sock # we will communicate using this unix socket
USER=gentleidi # the user to run as
GROUP=webapps # the group to run as
NUM_WORKERS=3 # how many worker processes should Gunicorn spawn
DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE=openshift.settings # which settings file should Django use
DJANGO_WSGI_MODULE=openshift.wsgi # WSGI module name
echo "Starting NAME as whoami"
# Activate the virtual environment
cd DJANGODIR
source /webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/activate
export DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE=$DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE
export PYTHONPATH=$DJANGODIR:$PYTHONPATH
# Create the run directory if it doesn't exist
RUNDIR=$(dirname $SOCKFILE)
test -d $RUNDIR {textbar}{textbar} mkdir -p $RUNDIR
# Start your Django Unicorn
# Programs meant to be run under supervisor should not daemonize themselves
#(do not use --daemon)
exec /webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/gunicorn ${DJANGO_WSGI_MODULE}:application \
 --name $NAME
--workers $NUM_WORKERS
--user=$USER --group=$GROUP
--log-level=debug {textbackslash}
--bind=unix:$SOCKFILE
Place the contents of the previous page in the following file:
/webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/gunicorn_start
Make sure that the script is executable:
sudo chmod u+x /webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/gunicorn_start
```

#### C.5.1 Nginx

As mentioned previously this setup relies on a combination of Gunicorn and Nginx. At this point gunicorn should be working properly, and it's time to setup Nginx.

If you have not already installed nginx, do so now:

```
sudo apt-get install nginx
```

Now you need to create an nginx configuration file for your Web site, in this case the file is called "gentleidi".

```
Store the content found below in the following file:
```

```
/etc/nginx/sites-available/gentleidi
upstream hello_app_server {
    server unix:/webapps/gentleidi/run/gunicorn.sock fail_timeout=0;
}
server {
    listen 80;
    servername example.com;
    client_max_body_size 4G;
    access_log /webapps/gentleidi/logs/nginx-access.log;
    error_log /webapps/gentleidi/logs/nginx-error.log;
    location /static/ {
                /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/static/;
        alias
}
location /media/ {
    alias
            /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/media/;
location / {
    proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For
    $proxy_add_x_forwarded_for;
       proxy_set_header Host $http_host;
       proxy_redirect off;
       if (!-f $request_filename) {
           proxy_pass http://hello_app_server;
           break;
  }
# Error pages
error_page 500 502 503 504 /500.html;
  location = /500.html {
       root /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/static/;
  }
}
#EOF
In this configuration Nginx is configured to log all accesses and errors. These log files need to be
created with the following commands:
sudo su gentleidi
mkdir /webapps/gentleidi/logs
touch /webapps/gentleidi/logs/nginx-access.log
touch /webapps/gentleidi/logs/nginx-error
exit
```

All you need to do at this point is to enable the Nginx site. This is done simply by creating a symbolic link from the configuration file in sites-available to sites-enabled.

```
sudo ln -s /etc/nginx/sites-available/gentleidi
/etc/nginx/sites-enabled/
sudo rm /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/default
sudo service nginx restart
```

You should now have a working website. All that is left is making management a little easier, and adding some execution nodes.

# C.6 Supervisor

Supervisor is a utility for defining and managing jobs. In this case we're going to define two jobs, one for managing the website, and another for managing an execution node.

You need to create two files to make this happen:

```
/etc/supervisor/conf.d/gentleidi.conf
```

```
[program:gentleidi]
command = /webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/gunicorn_start
user = gentleidi
stdout_logfile = /webapps/gentleidi/logs/gunicorn_supervisor.log
redirect_stderr = true
\#EOF
/etc/supervisor/conf.d/celery.conf
[program:celery]
command=/webapps/gentleidi/env/bin/celery worker -A openshift -l info
directory=/webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi
environment=PATH='/webapps/gentleidi/env/bin:%(ENV_PATH)s'
user=gentleidi
autostart=true
autorestart=true
redirect_stderr=True
#EOF
Create the log files that you've referenced.
mkdir /webapps/gentleidi/logs/
touch /webapps/gentleidi/logs/gunicorn_supervisor.log
Read the newly created configuration files.
sudo supervisoretl reread
sudo supervisoretl update
sudo supervisoretl restart all
```

# C.7 Multiple Execution Nodes

The easiest way of setting up multiple execution nodes is to clone the setup on your Web server to other machines and then making minor changes. When setting up multiple execution nodes there are two changes that need to be made. The directory

## /webapps/gentleidi/IDIOpen/wsgi/private/submissions

needs to be shared between all the execution nodes. How you decide to make this happen is up to you. However, SSHFS is possibly the easiest solution. Whatever way you decide to mount the directory on your execution nodes, make sure that multiple users are allowed to access it, e.g. the "allow\_other" option for SSHFS. You also need to make sure that all your execution nodes have access to the same database. Make sure that the settings.py is not set to localhost, but rather points to whatever host you decide to use as a database server. Some configuration of your database server might be needed in order for it to accept remote connections. MySQL servers need to change the bind-address property in the /etc/mysql/my.cnf to their actual IP, not localhost(127.0.0.1). You also need to change the grants for the MySQL user in such a way that it is allowed to connect remotely to the database.

# Appendix D

Risk List

# D.1 People Management

Description	ID	${ m Pr}$	C	Ţ	Preventative action	Remedial action
Personal argument	PM-01	$\infty$	2	40	Frequent meetings and social events	Open discussion
Dependency on team member	PM-02	9	9	36	Short sprints and team members usually work in groups of two	New meeting where we consider a redistribution of WP
Underburdened teammember; slack	PM-03	7	4	28	Keeping track of the work done by each member as well as the number of hours spent on any given WP. In the beginning of the sprint focus more on an evenly distributed workload among team members.	If the team-member continues to slack put it on the agenda for the next meeting and allow the team-member to explain his/her reasons for slacking.
Team members are late	PM-04	6	2	18	If you are late, you need to bring a cake or cookies to the next meeting	You need to bring a cake or cookies, and if it happends several times, an extraordinary meeting will be called, where new consequences will be discussed.
Team member is not qualified for any assig- ment	PM-05	4	1~	28	Try to keep every member up to date on the entire system by not letting anyone work for too long on the same part of the system.	Add unqualified member to an existing pair working on a WP.
Miscommunication	PM-06	2	3	21	Frequent meetings with discussion about team letting all team members try different areas in the application	As per SDLC; evaluation, analysis, restart assigment
Dependency on external person	PM-07	3	9	18	Frequent communication with the customer.	Well-planned sprints with a low level of dependency between WPs.
Displacement; team members do not feel comfortable in group	PM-08	2	2	14	Social events.	Talk to our supervisor and ask for suggestions
Overburdened team- member	PM-09	4	2	$\infty$	Short sprints and small WPs. A team member will only be assigned to a few WPs at a time.	Frequent meetings where WPs can possibly be redistributed.

# D.2 Budget

Description	ID	${ m Pr}$	C	$T_{r}$	Preventative action	Remedial action
Maintenance costs ex-	B-01	5	3	15	Use highly maintainable frame-	Optimizing code base in hopes of increas-
ceed expectations					works as much as possible, and	ing maintainability.
					stick to Open Source as much as	
					possible.	
Third party plugin de-	B-02	2	3	9	We've got a green light for putting   Look for alternative plugins.	Look for alternative plugins.
mands more money					GentleIDI under the GNU Pub-	
than initially expected					lic License, which means that we	
					have got free access to software	
					under GPL.	
Unexpected need for	B-03	3	3	6	Extensive research on tools	Extensive research on tools Look for alternative free third-party ser-
non-free third-party					needed, before we decide on what vices	vices
service					we are going to use.	
Maintenance requires	B-04	2	3	9	Use highly maintainable frame-	Use highly maintainable frame- Request customer meeting to solve the
access to tools/envi-					works as much as possible, and	issue.
ronments that cost					stick to Open Source as much as	
money					possible.	

# D.3 Schedule

Description	ID Pr C Tr	Pr	C	$\operatorname{Tr}$	Preventative action	Remedial action
Pre-studies require more time than antici- pated	S-01	6	7 63		We have a WP for pre-studies, and have included it in our sprints	Revise our WBS, and possible have an increased workload/work-hours in the following sprints, so we don't fall behind our schedule.
Failure to meet requirements on time	S-02	ro	$\infty$	40	WBS, milestones plan and short sprints (1 or 2 weeks) allow us to focus on deadlines, and continously see our work progress	WBS, milestones plan and short sprints (1 or 2 weeks) allow us to focus on deadlines, and continuously see our work progress applications in the customer to discuss the further development of the project. Be apologetic towards the customer, and come up with a new plan, that the customer is satisfied with.
Sprint-estimations are off	S-03	6	ಒ	45	The whole group participate in planning a sprint, and estimating each task	Re-adjust our estimations in the next sprint, and in that way learn from our mistakes.

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$\operatorname{Description}$	P	$egin{array}{c c} D & \operatorname{Pr} & \operatorname{C} & \operatorname{Tr} \\ \end{array}$	Ö	Ľ	Preventative action	Remedial action
Failure to deliver suf- S-04	S-04	5	9	30	WBS, milestones plan and short	WBS, milestones plan and short Meetings with supervisor and customer,
ficient documentation					sprints (1 or 2 weeks) allow us	sprints (1 or 2 weeks) allow us agree upon a new deadline, and increase
on time					to focus on deadlines, and conti-	to focus on deadlines, and conti- the workload the following days to we
					nously see our work progress	meet the deadline.
Need for extra technol-	S-05	က	9	18	We use extensive frameworks who	We use extensive frameworks who Adjust the WBS and our sprints so we
ogy / features that re-					has a lot of documentation, which	has a lot of documentation, which   take into account that we need more time
quires training to use					makes it easier to learn.	to learn new technology. Focus on this in
						the coming sprint planning.

# D.4 Organizational

Description	П	${ m Pr}$	$ m Pr \mid C \mid Tr$	$\operatorname{Tr}$	Preventative action	Remedial action
No person has responsibility for an assigment, although it is believed to be delegated	O-01	8	9	48	Strict use of the activity plan. The activity plan should be kept consistent at all times, this way all members know what the others are doing at any given time.	Strict use of the activity plan. The activity plan should be kept consistent at all times, this way all members know what the others are doing at any given time.
Project is, at current point not satisfactory, and it is hard to understand why	0-05	9	-1	42	Writing meeting summaries, and in general keeping track of what is being done and how.	Review what work has been done up until that point, how it has been done, and try to find a solution to the problem.
Bottleneck; in order for team-members to advance, other team members must finish their work	O-03	2	7-	49	Try to avoid dependencies between WPs when setting up sprints. In case of such dependencies being unavoidable these WPs should be scheduled at the beginning of the sprint.	Delegate or even create new WPs to the team members currently being idle.
A task is delegated to more than one person	0-04	2	င	9	Strict use of the activity plan. The activity plan should be kept consistent at all times, this way all members know what the others are doing at any given time.	The two members should discuss how the issue should be solved, and update the activity plan according to that.

# D.5 Tools and Frameworks; Product

Description	П	${ m Pr}$	C	$\operatorname{Tr}$	Preventative action	Remedial action
End product is not satisfactory	TT-01	2	6	118	Customer meetings regularly, and keeping in contact through e-mail aswell. Give the customer access to our git-repository, so they have access to our source code, and also perform different type of tests (user-testing, etc)	
Tools used for development are not suitable / efficient in later parts of the project	TT-01	2	∞	16	Researching the tools we use, and planning ahead. Development planning allow us to discover problems before they appear.	Look for alternative tools. If changing tools involve a lot of work, and changes to the project, decide in a meeting if we want to continue with the inefficient tools, or if we want to make the change.
Problems with integrating components	m LL-03	2	3	21	Have extensive system documentation and planning. Involve the whole group in the process.	Re-evaluate our system architecture, and look for solutions that won't affect other parts of the system.
Other solutions available make our product less desirable	TT-04	1	$\infty$	$\infty$	Do thorough work on the system requirements in hopes of providing a system well-tailored to the customer's needs.	Reevaluate the requirements.
Network cannot deal with traffic Submitted program has access to resources	TT-05	1 2	∞ r <sub>2</sub>	8 8 25	Keep optimization in mind when developing. Submitted programs are to be run by a sandbox-user with a very re-	Try to find redundant data being sent possibly apply use of compression.  Review code in hopes of finding the bug.
Platform / hardware unavailible, such that testing is difficult	TT-07	2	ಗು	10	stricted set of resources available. We use services provided by companies known to provide good system uptime. Most of our tools are hosted by Red Hat.	Setup temporary development environment.
Tools used in initial development are not available after release, and future developers have difficulty extending product	TT-08	2	က	9	Make sure requirements are written properly, understood properly, succint, etc	Document our work, so it is easy for future developers to understand the system.

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Description	$egin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	${ m Pr}$	C	$\operatorname{Tr}$	Preventative action	Remedial action
Database cannot handle amount of transactions	LT-09	1	4	4	Keep optimization in mind when developing.	Keep optimization in mind when Optimize code in order to lower amount developing.
A tool does not per- T' form the functions it 01 was intended for	TT- 010	2	က	9	Learn the tools properly, and read Look for alternative tools the documentation provided with each tool.	Look for alternative tools.

# D.6 Requirements

Description	Π	ID Pr C Tr	C	$\operatorname{Tr}$	Preventative action	Remedial action
Major change to re-	R-01	5 4 20	4	20	Customer meetings regularly	Customer meetings regularly New customer meeting where we re-
quirements					where we agree upon a require-	evaluate the requirements specifica-
					ment specification.	tion, and which priorities each require-
						ment has.
Customer fails to un-	R-02	2	7	14	Customer meetings regularly	Customer meetings regularly Customer meeting where we explain the
herstand impact of re-					where we agree upon a require-	impact of the requirement, and get the
quirements					ment specification.	customer to explain their requirements
						that we have different opinions on.
Finished product does	R-03	1	6	6	Customer meetings, they have ac-	Test-events where they can test the func-
not meet requirement					cess to our git-repository where	tionality. Finish our documentation, and
					our source code is	pass it on to other developers. Apologize
						to the customer.
Failed interpretation of	R-04	3	4	12	Customer meetings regularly	Customer meetings regularly Customer meeting where we re-discuss
requirement					where we agree upon a require-	the requirement specification, and make
					ment specification.	sure we understand what the customer
						wants.

# Appendix E

# **Product Backlog**

ID	As a(n)	I want to be able to	So that
A-01	Admin	decide whether new contestpages are	contests can be created when due
		published or not	
A-02	Admin	create a contest	contestants can register to teams
A-03	Admin	publish news	users can recieve information about a con-
			test
A-04	Admin	custom css	to differentiate different contests
A-05	Admin	custom settings for each contest	
A-06	Admin	set penalty system	contestants are given points etc
A-07	Admin	modify usergroups through an interface	maintain control
A-08	Admin	add or remove users from a usergroup	control
A-09	Admin	add or remove users from the system	control
A-10	Admin	determine what statistics are stored/-	overview and increased user experience
		collected by the system	
A-11	Admin	add/remove an execution node	scalability and safety in redundance
A-12	Admin	configure exection nodes with compiler	system flexibility and optimality
		profiles	
A-13	Admin	review system status	verify that contest can be hosted (cor-
			rectly)
J-01	Judge	submit problem(s)	add content to actual contest
J-02	Judge	upload cases for problem(s)	so that they can test problem submissions
J-03	Judge	upload solutions	assess case correctness to problem
J-04	Judge	verify contest problem sets and solu-	ensure that contest is O.K
		tions	
CU-01	Customer	clarification system	provide communication between contes-
			tants and judges
CU-02	Customer	different usergroups	to have different roles
CU-03	Customer	user manual	ease of use

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ID	As a(n)	I want to be able to	So that
B-01	Balloon-	view (correct) submissions	hand out balloons
	functionary		
CO-01	Contestant	register as a contestant in IDIOpen	compete in contest
CO-02	Contestant	0	compete in contest with teammates
T-01	Team	upload submission to problem	to compete
S-01	Sponsor	adspace	to advertize to users
U-01	User	receive (appropriate) error messages	build user-trust and nice nice
		when errors occurs	
U-02	User	intuitive interface design	improved user experience
U-03	User	good response time on webpages	improved user experience
U-04	User	short user transactions (avoid click click	improved user experience
		click)	
SU-01	Supervisor	document development process	overview group's progress

# Appendix F

# End of Sprint Structure

#### Meeting Agenda:

- Daily Scrum
  - What have you done since last time?
  - Have you had any obstacles?
- Three good/bad things
  - All team members take turns saying three good and three negative things about the previus sprint.
  - This is done without interruptions
  - If someone brought a cake, serve it here.
- Show what has been done
  - Every group member take turns showing what they have completed.
  - Discuss what has not been done
- Sprint end meetings
  - Effectively disucss what could have been done better
- Other
  - If someone want to talk about something this is the time.
- Sprint planning meeting
  - Select work that has to be done
    - \* The work is selected from the release backlog and put into to sprint backlog
  - Break these into smaller task/activities

- Give each of these tastk/activities a priority
- Give each of these task/activities a time approximation
- Distribute on task/activite to each member.

#### About time estimation

- When voting for how long time a task/acivity will take, only powers of two are allowed:
  - 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64 etc.
  - 8 is characterized as a day

## About prioritzing the task/activites

 $\bullet$  Options when voting are 1, 2, 3 where 1 means LOW, 2 mean MEDIUM and 3 means HIGH.

## General

- All members has a vote.
- If one estimates/prioritize different than the other members, he can, if he want to, tell the group why he estimated as he did. A new estimation will then take place

# Appendix G

# **Integration Tests**

ID	IT-01
Interface name	Add sponsor
Pre-condtion	Contest is created
Post-condition	Sponsor and image
Input	Image, URL
Output	sponsor in contest

ID	IT-02
Interface name	Publish contest
Pre-condtion	Working database, website
Post-condition	Contest entity with unique ID, which has own
	subdomain with an interface for individual CMS
Input	Image, URL
Output	contest available from webroot

ID	IT-03
Interface name	Set layout
Pre-condtion	Contest is created
Post-condition	Contest-subdomain stylized with given stylesheet-
	file
Input	Image, URL
Output	Contest in database, modifiable

ID	IT-04
Interface name	Provide information
Pre-condtion	Contest is created
Post-condition	Information pages
Input	Image, URL
Output	Availablee articles

ID	IT-05
Interface name	Create contest
Pre-condtion	Working database
Post-condition	Contest is created
Input	Name, URL, dates, links
Output	A contest in the database that can be pub-
	lishedand insert content

# G.1 Article

ID	IT-06
Interface name	Create article
Pre-condtion	Contest is created
Post-condition	Article created
Input	Text, URL, date, images(optional)
Output	Article in database

ID	IT-07
Interface name	Edit article
Pre-condtion	Article is created
Post-condition	Article changed
Input	Text, URL, images(optional)
Output	an interface to edit the content of articles

ID	IT-08
Interface name	Publish article
Pre-condtion	Article is created
Post-condition	Article published
Input	date
Test-method	Manual inspection
Comment	An article available to end-users

# G.2 Userregistration

ID	IT-09
Interface name	Create user
Pre-condtion	Working database
Post-condition	User created
Input	email, name, gender(optional), study level
Output	A contestant in the database

ID	IT-10
Interface name	Edit userdata
Pre-condtion	User created
Post-condition	Userdata changed
Input	User, data for user-attributes
Output	A modified user-entry in the database

ID	IT-11
Interface name	Activate user
Pre-condtion	User is registered
Post-condition	User is registered as active
Input	User
Output	Ensure that user can log in and is labeled as ac-
	tivated account

# G.3 Team Registration

ID	IT-12
Interface name	Invite to team
Pre-condtion	Team is created
Post-condition	Contestant invited to team
Input	email
Test-method	A contestant receives an invite to a team

ID	IT-13
Interface name	Create team
Pre-condtion	Contest is created, user is created
Post-condition	Team is created
Input	Name, onsite,
Output	A team in the database, that can be used in a
	contest

ID	IT-14
Interface name	Edit team data
Pre-condtion	Team is created
Post-condition	Team-data is modified, and modified attribute-
	sare reflected in other views
Input	Team, data, attributes
Output	A modified team entry in the database

# Appendix H

# User Manual

# H.1 Admin

In Fig H.1 you can see how the admin page looks. Here you will find most of the tools to successfully host a competition. This part of the user manual will contain information around the admin interface, and how to use it. The admin interface is a tool for creating, editing and deleting objects, objects in this sense is basicly database entries. When referring to objects later, this is what we mean by that.

# H.1.1 Basic Usage

#### **Creating Objects**

To create a new object simply select what kind of object you would like to create, and click the add button next to its name. This button is shown in Figure H.2, and the list of available objects can be seen in on the front page of the admin interface (Figure H.1).

## **Editing Objects**

To edit existing objects you first have to locate the object you wish to edit. This is done by selecting the type you want in the main menu. This will open a list display of all objects in that category. If the list allows it, you can apply filters and search for the object you would like to edit. When you have found this object, simply click it and a editing form will appear. Make your changes and click the save button.

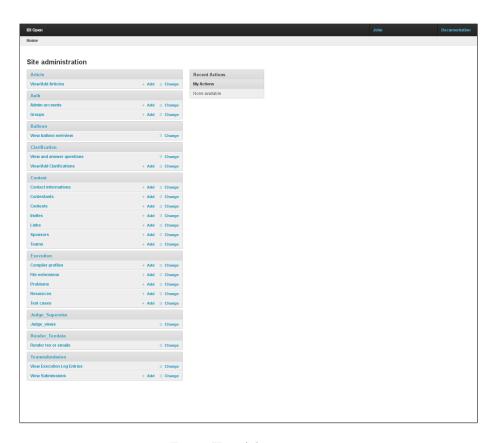


Figure H.1: Admin overview



Figure H.2: Create contest

#### **Deleting Objects**

When deleting objects you open the list display as explained in the previous section (H.1.1), select the item(s) you would like to delete, and select the delete action in the lower left corner. This will open a confirmation view, displaying any related objects that will cascade if you wish to continue. The edit form also includes a delete button.

# H.1.2 Creating a Contest

To create a contest, first navigate to the contest part of the admin menu, and click the Add link next to Contests (Figure H.2)

Fill in the given form with the data relevant for your contest. If this is your first contest or a fresh system, you will also have to create contact information and links for the navigation.

To create new contact information, click the plus sign as highlighted in Figure H.3. The same applies for Links and Sponsors. The Penalty Constant is a variable used to calculate the score for each team. This value is a penalty in minutes for each wrong solution submitted. The Url field is a unique variable for each contest that sets the url location for the contest. E.g if the url variable is "test" then the contest will be located at <a href="http://example.com/test/">http://example.com/test/</a>.

The next four fields are time and data objects that determine when the contests is starting, ending, when it should be published, and when the registration should close.

#### Create Links

To create a link, click the plus sign in the links section like explained above for contact information. This will open a pop-up window as shown in Figure H.4.

These links will show up in the main navigation in the contest page. The text field will be the displayed text and the url will be the target url for the link. If this is an internal link to somewhere on the contest page, then select the checkbox indicating that. This will cause the contest url being appended before the defined url. You can also create a separator by checking the separator checkbox. This will create a separated field in the navigation, allowing you to group relevant links together.

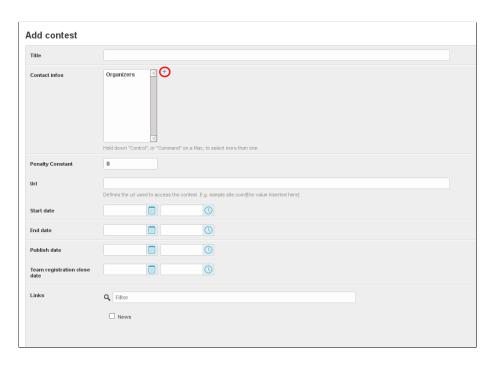


Figure H.3: Contest create form



Figure H.4: Create link

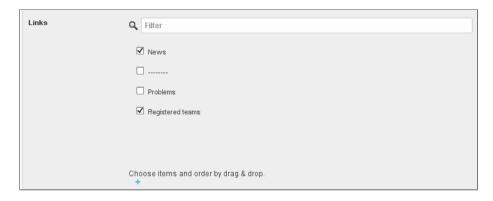


Figure H.5: Links selection and ordering



Figure H.6: Create sponsor

It is also possible to sort the link by drag and drop to achieve the sorting you want. And to add or remove an existing link, you just have to check or uncheck the checkbox. These features are depicted in Figure H.5.

#### Create Sponsor

To create a sponsor you click the plus icon in the sponsor section. This will open up a pop-up similar to the Links creation.

to link to, and click the magnifying glass to browse and upload images. This will open up the file browser in another pop-up window as you can see in Figure H.7. To upload a new image, click the Upload button in the top right corner. Upload your image and click Sponsor in the top left navigation to go back to the files. The system automatically scales images down to appropriate sizes. For sponsor images you should use Small images as shown in Figure H.7.

# Create Compiler Profile

A compiler profile is a object with specifications on how a programming language should be compiled and executed. Each compiler profile includes a list of file extensions that should be allowed. These are added the same way as previously explained (By clicking the plus sign).

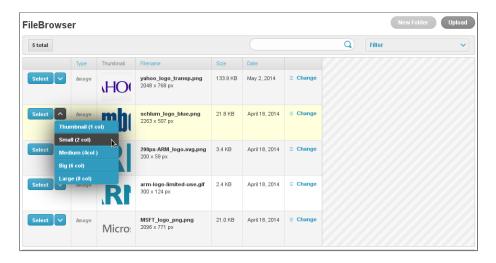


Figure H.7: Sponsor select and image upload

The compile and run fields both take a string of text used to compile and run the submission. The filename and basename will be inserted in the string where the tags {BASENAME} and {FILENAME} are present.

#### Create Problems

Problems are the tasks that contestants will solve when the contest starts. The problem form includes a problem title, description with WYSIWYG editor support, and a text file. Each problem is also linked to a single contest. For each problem you also need test cases, and a set of resource limits for the different compiler profiles. These models will be explained in the next sections.

#### Create Test Case

Each test case is linked to a problem, and there can be multiple test cases per problem. The most important parts of the test case is the input and output files. The input file will get parsed by the submissions, and the output file matched against the submission output. The test case also includes a short description and a description of the input and output. A screenshot of the test case creation can be seen in Figure H.9.

If the problem uses floating points or in any other way cannot be matched to a single output file, then you can set the test case to use a custom validator. This is a program that takes the output from the submission and the output file specified as input. The output from the validator should be 1 for correct answer and 0 for wrong answer.



Figure H.8: Compiler profile

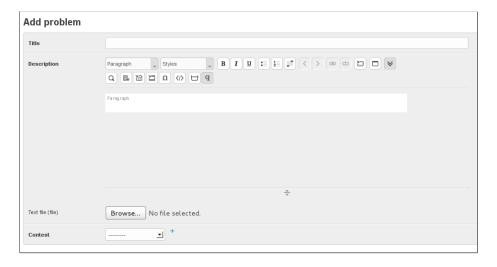


Figure H.9: Create problem

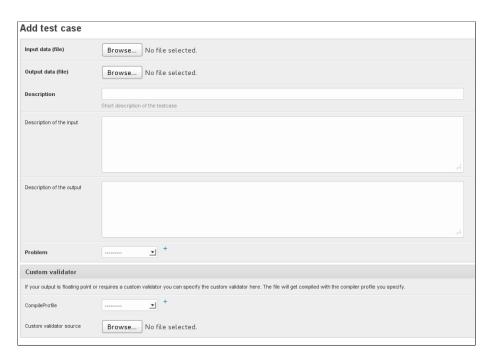


Figure H.10: Test case

#### Resource

Each problem requires a set of resource limitations for the different compiler profiles. These limits sets the amount of resources the uploaded program is allowed to use, and if they exceed that amount they submission will be marked as a wrong answer. As shown in Figure H.11, the different fields are, max compile time, max program timeout, max memory, max processes, and max filesize. The resources depend on the problem and the programming language. C is a language that runs very fast and effective, and java requires a huge amount of memory to boot the Java Virtual Machine. So it can be quite difficult to set precise limits. It is also possible to give unlimited amounts by setting -1 as the value.

#### H.1.3 Creating Articles

Articles is the main way of communicating with users of the system. The most recent and important news are placed on the front page. Other news can be found in the article list.

Articles consists mainly of a title and a body. The other fields are optional and configures how and where the article should be displayed. The text is written in a WYSIWYG editor and is integrated with the file browser described earlier. This gives the opportunity to make formatted news which can be easily edited again later. Article is also used for creating content that should not be considered as news. E.g. rules, history, FAQ. If this is wanted you can uncheck the Visible Article List checkbox. You also have the ability to create custom links for articles that should be



Figure H.11: Resource

available as an url. Articles can also be marked as urgent, what this means is that they will reside on the top of the frontpage and article list.

## H.1.4 Create User

#### Create Contestant

If a user is unable to create a user on their own, or if you wish to create it through the admin interface. Click the add button next to contestants in the main menu. This will bring up the form shown in Figure H.13. Simply fill in the information you want.

#### Create Admin User

To create an admin user the process i very similar to create a contestant. You click the add button next to Admin accounts in the main menu. This will bring up a more detailed form than the contestant form, and is shown in Figure H.14. This form as the extra fields Active, Staff status, and superuser status. The staff status sets whether the user should have access to the admin panel, and Superuser status gives the user all permissions. This form also includes a tools for setting group permissions and individual permissions.

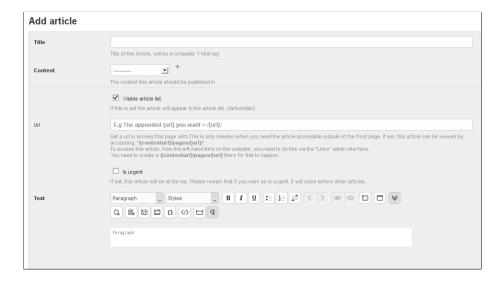


Figure H.12: Add article



Figure H.13: Create contestant



Figure H.14: Admin account



Figure H.15: Promote user

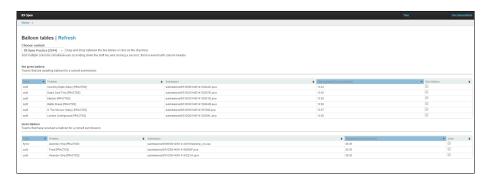


Figure H.16: Balloon view

### Promote Contestant to Admin

If you would like to promote a regular user to a staff user, then all you have to do is edit the the user in question, and check the Staff status checkbox as shown in Figure H.15. The user will now be removed from the Contestant view, and moved to the Admin accounts view.

### H.1.5 Balloon View

The balloon view covers the functionality meant for balloon functionaries. Clicking on View Balloon Overview, located in the section Balloon, will take you to the balloon view.

The first choice you are met with, is which contest you want to show submissions from. The drop down menu lets you pick any of the already created contests. The balloon view consists of two tables. The first table is named, not given balloon, and contains the onsite teams that are awaiting a balloon for a correct submission. The table consists of five columns covering the essential information a balloon functionary needs to know. The table is automatically sorted on team and time uploaded, but this can be changed by the user. All the columns in the table are

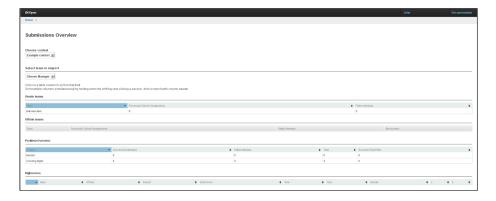


Figure H.17: Judge view

sortable.

The rightmost column consists of checkboxes for each row in the table. We have given the balloon functionaries two different possibilities to register that a team has been given a balloon. The balloon functionary can either press the corresponding checkbox for the team, in the rightmost column, or drag the respective row to the table beneath. This will move the row from the first table, to the second table.

The second table is named, Given Balloon, and contains teams that have received a balloon for a correct submission. This table has the same functionality as the first table. The rightmost column, Undo, consists of checkboxes. If you press a checkbox, or drag the row to the other table, it will cause the row to change tables. This gives the balloon functionaries total control, in case of a misclick.

The last function the balloon table has is that it will tell you when new submissions has arrived. The blue "Refresh" text located at the top left corner, will change to "New submission", when a new submission arrives. Pressing the text will refresh the page, and new submissions will show up in the first table, not given balloon.

### H.1.6 Judge View

In the section called Judge\_Supervise there's a link labeled Judge\_views. This takes you to the site primarily intended for inspecting the submissions in the system.

This is the starting point for staff users wanting to inspect a submission. Starting at the top there's a drop down menu enabling you to inspect submissions for a specific contest, labeled "Choose contest". Further down there's another drop down menu enabling you to take a closer look at a single team, we will take a closer look at this in the next section.

Next up is two tables, one listing teams that are said to be onsite, the other listing offsite teams. Other than the team names, there are two columns in these tables, "Previously solved problems", and "Failed attempts". You can sort the table by clicking the table header you want to sort by.

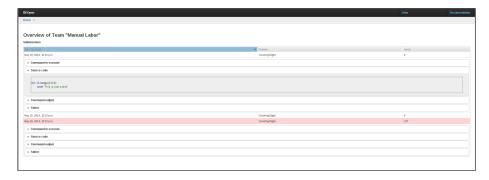


Figure H.18: Judge view for a team

This enables you to easily find the teams that are struggling the most, sort the lists by the "Failed attempts" column. Clicking the entries in these columns serve the same purpose as selecting a team from the dropdown menu mentioned previously.

Another table is present below the team tables. This is a table of the problems in the system. The columns in this table are "Problem", "Successful attempts", "Failed attempts", "Total", and "Success/Total ratio". The "Problem" column states the names of the given problem, "Successful attempts" is the number of submission that actually solve the problem, and "Failed attempts" is the opposite. "Total" is the total number of attempts at solving the problem that has been submitted to the system. "Success/Total ratio" is the ratio of successful submissions for the given problem. As with the other tables, this one can be sorted by any column.

At the bottom of the site there is a highscore list.

Finally, it's time to take a closer look at how you should appropriately inspect a team's submissions. Select the team in the drop down menu, or by clicking it in the list of teams. Doing so will take you to the following site.

Initially you will see a simple table listing the submissions submitted by the specified team. The columns are the following: "Date uploaded", "Problem", and "retval". The "Date uploaded" column lists the date AND time that the submission was uploaded. "Problem" is simply which problem the team intended their submission to solve. The column in need of further explanation is "retval", this is the exit code of the submission execution, if this value is nonzero an error of some sort has occurred.

However, this is more than a simple listing. By clicking a row you expand it, revealing four buttons, "Command executed", "Source code", "Command output", and "Stderr". By clicking these the row will expand further and reveal more information.

"Command issued" is the command that the system issued to execute the submission, e.g. "java Classname" for java programs etc. "Source code" is the source code submitted by the team.

"Command output" is the output produced by the execution of the submitted source code. "Stderr" is the error messages printed during execution. It is worth taking note of the fact that the program used for measuring submission execution time will print the time to stderr, this line will look something like "0.02\n0.12" and can be found at the bottom of the "Stderr".

### H.2 Contestant

The users competing in the competition are considered contestants. In this part of the guide we assume that appropriate links have been added to the sidebar by admins. The only links that are in the sidebar by default are the ones for registering a user and registering a team.

### H.2.1 Register User

For user's who are not logged in there will always be a "Register user" button in the sidebar. This button will take you to a form for submitting user information. All of the fields are required, except for the nickname, which is optional. The email field is used to send out user activation emails and as such it is crucial that the email address is correct. The "Year of study" dropdown list contains 6 different options, the integers from 1 to 5, and "Pro". Students are to select the integer corresponding to how far they've come in their study program, working professionals are to select the "Pro" option. The final option is gender, which can be left as "Unspecified", or set to male or female.

### H.2.2 Edit User

On your user profile there are three buttons for editing your user, "Change email", "Change password", and "Change user information". The two first are self-explanatory, they enable you to change your email and password, in other words your login information. The "Change user information" option lets you edit the rest of the fields you submitted during the registration process, first name, last name, nickname, year of study, and gender. It is worth noting that changing your email will send a new activation email to the newly registered email address, if the new address has not been activated within a given time limit the change will not occur.

### H.2.3 Create Team

If you've got an account, but you're not member of any team, there will be a link available to you in the sidebar labeled "Register team". This button will take you to a form for registering new teams

The form requires that you give your team a name, and that you give some information as to your location during the event. If you are planning on being on-site during the contest all you need to do is select the "yes" radio button labeled onsite. If you are not planning on being on-site, you need to fill out the field labeled "Offsite location" with the location you are intended to stay in during the contest.

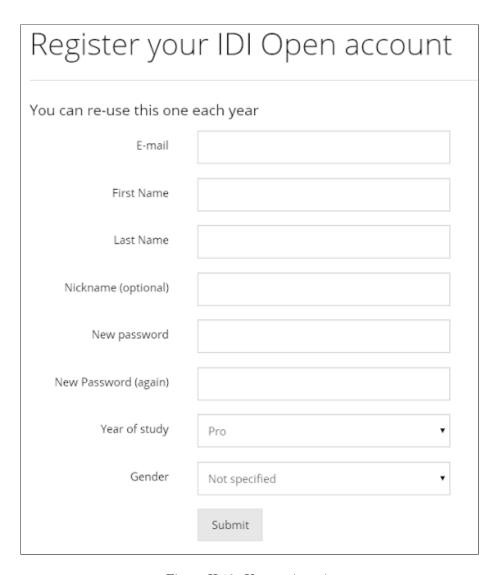


Figure H.19: User registration

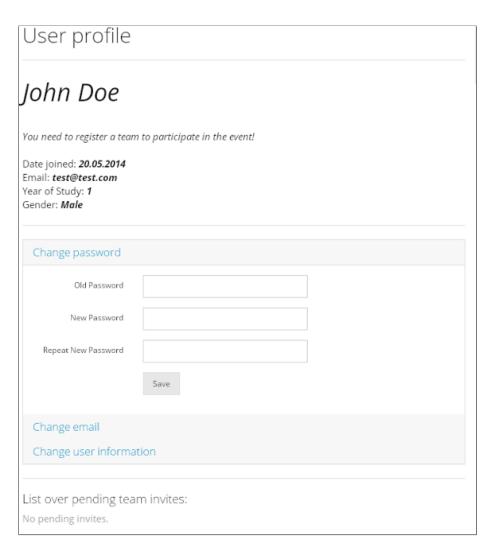


Figure H.20: Edit user

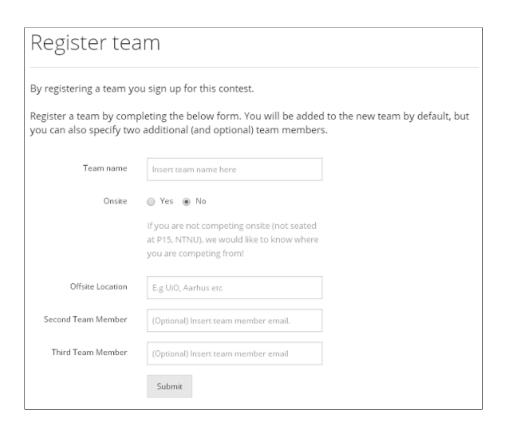


Figure H.21: Create team

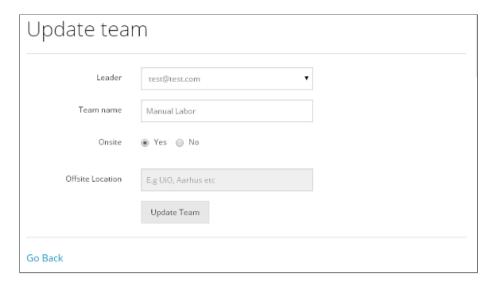


Figure H.22: Edit team information

In addition to this basic information you can invite team members while you are at it. Just type in the email address of your to-be team members in the fields "Second Team Member" and "Third Team Member". They don't have to be registered user's in the system to get the invite, they will be notified of your invitation and will be able to accept the invite upon registering their account.

### H.2.4 Edit Team

### **Edit Basic Information**

On the team profile page there is a button labeled "Edit team", if you press this button it will take you to a form for editing your team. You need to be the team leader for this option to be available to you.

As with the editing of your user account, the same fields that were available to you during registration of your team, are also available when editing it. You can change your team name, and location. When you are done making changes just click the "Update team" button and your changes will be put into effect.

Since the majority of team management is up to the team leader alone, one might want to transfer the role of being team leader to another team member. This can be done by selecting another team member in the dropdown menu labeled "Leader".

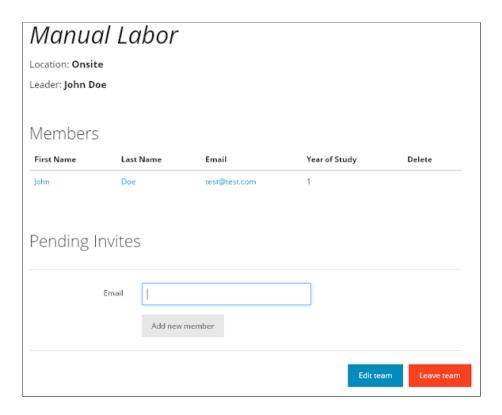


Figure H.23: Invite team members

### Invite User to Team/Join Team

If you for some reason did not know who were to be on your team when you created your team you can add them later on, given that you are the team leader. This is done on your team profile page, the link is found in the sidebar.

Inviting a member is done by writing their email address in the "Email" field and pressing the "Add new member" button. As mentioned in the Create team section, your team members don't need to be registered user's at the time of you inviting them. They will be notified, and the invite will be stored in the system and accessible to them when they finally decide to create a user.

### Remove User from Team

If you for some reason decide to evict a team member this can also be done on your team profile page. The team profile lists all the team members, to evict one, simply click the trashcan on the user's entry. All user's can decide to leave a team as they please, however, to evict other users in this manner you need to be the team leader.



Figure H.24: Remove user from team

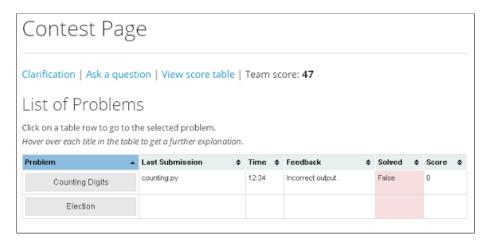


Figure H.25: Problem overview

### H.2.5 Solve Problems

Assuming your team is setup and the contest has started, it's time to start actually competing. You get points for solving problems, in other words, submitting source code that gives correct output given the correct input.

To find the list of the problems in the contest problem set, just click the "Contest page" button in the sidebar. This will take you to a page looking like the one in the figure below.

The contest that was used for creating this figure contained two problems, Counting Digits, and Election. You can see that the user logged in has already made an attempt at solving Counting Digits, however it failed due to incorrect output.

By clicking one of the rows you are taken to the site where you can submit source code in an attempt at solving problems.

When submitting source code you need to specify what compiler profile is suitable for the source you are submitting. If you're submitting python code, select "python" in the dropdown menu labeled "1. Pick a compiler profile". Then upload your source by clicking the "Choose file" button, and

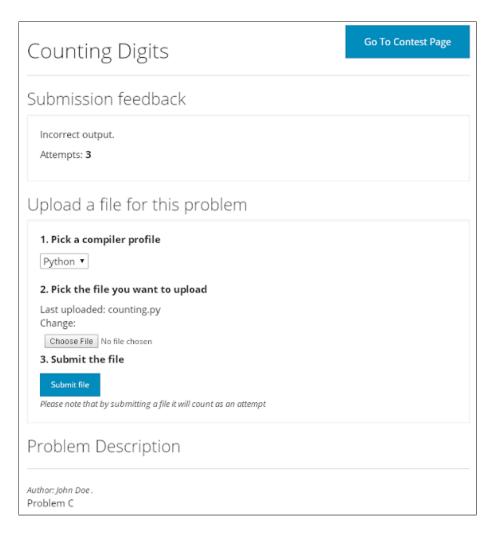


Figure H.26: Submit problems

then press the "Submit File" button. Your source will then be submitted and evaluated. The site will automatically update upon the evaluation of your submission being completed.

#### H.2.6 Clarification

During a contest contestants might need help understanding a certain part of the system or a problem description. In order for them not having to wander around looking for a functionary, they can post questions that can be answered by the staff users.

#### Post a Question

There is a link in the sidebar taking you to the site where you can post questions.

Posting a question is quite straight forward. Enter a title for your question in the title field, and put the body of your question in the largest textbox. When you are done writing and ready to post it, press the "Send question" button. Now the question can be read and answered by the staff users.

#### **Review Replies**

Questions posted through the clarification system are not visible for anyone except the staff users, that is, unless they have been answered by the staff. When a question has been answered it is visible to all contestants.

As usual the link taking you to the list of answered questions can be found in the sidebar.

Here you can see that a staff user has answered the question posted.

### H.2.7 Highscore List

### Top Five

On just about every part of the site there is a small highscore list visible at the top right corner of the screen. This is simply a list of the five teams with the best score.

### Full Highscore

The complete highscore list can be found by clicking the link labeled "All" in the top five high score list, or by clicking the link labeled "Highscore" in the sidebar. This is not just a list but a table which can be sorted by different columns.

The buttons labeled "student" and "pro" lets you filter the highscore. If you press the "student" button, all teams containing professional members will be removed from the list. The "pro" button

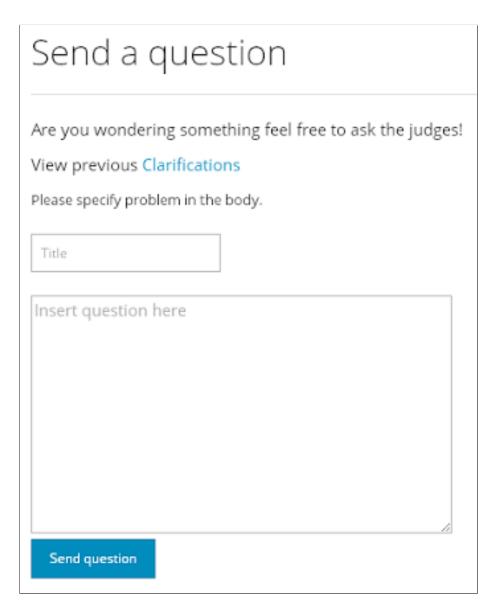


Figure H.27: Post a question

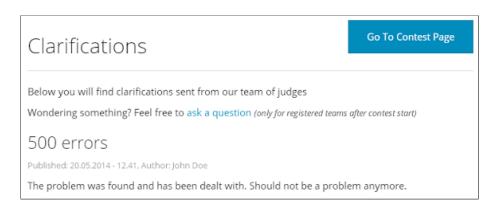


Figure H.28: Clarification response

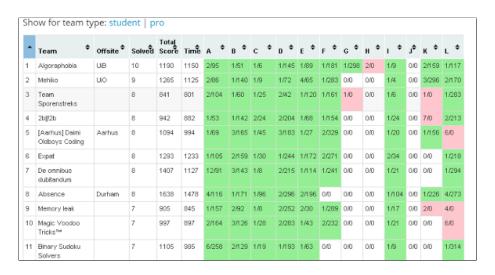


Figure H.29: Full highscore

does the opposite. To sort the table by a specific column, click the column label, to reverse the ordering, click it again. The columns labeled by single characters correspond to different problems.

## Appendix I

# **ER-Diagram**

Our ER-diagrams follows a convention ER-convention. Each relation has a name, and is intended to be read either from left to right or top towards bottom.

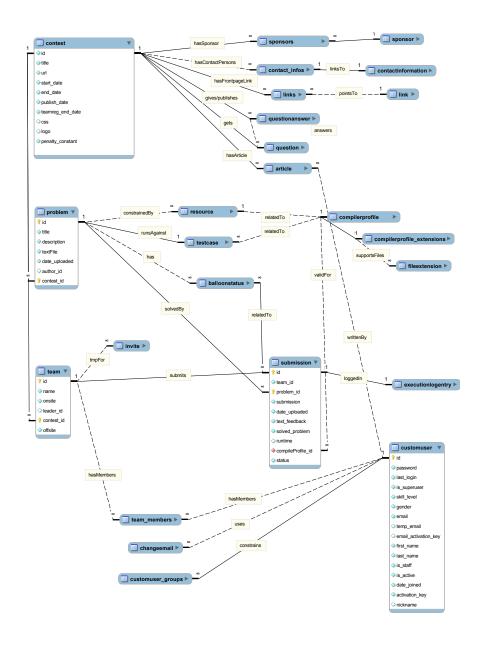


Figure I.1: Complete ER-diagram. The un-folded classes are the main components of the system

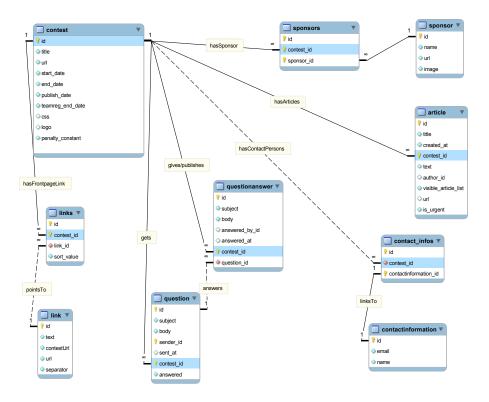


Figure I.2: ER-diagram for the models used for the contest.

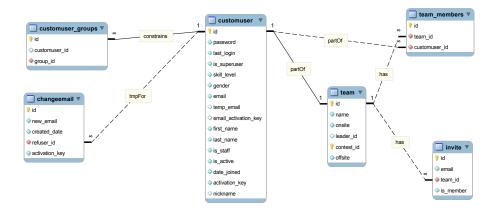


Figure I.3: ER-diagram for the models used for the user registration.

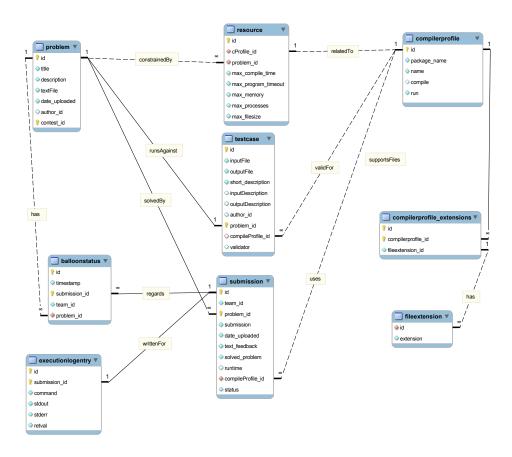


Figure I.4: ER-diagram for the models used for the submission.

### Appendix J

### Website views

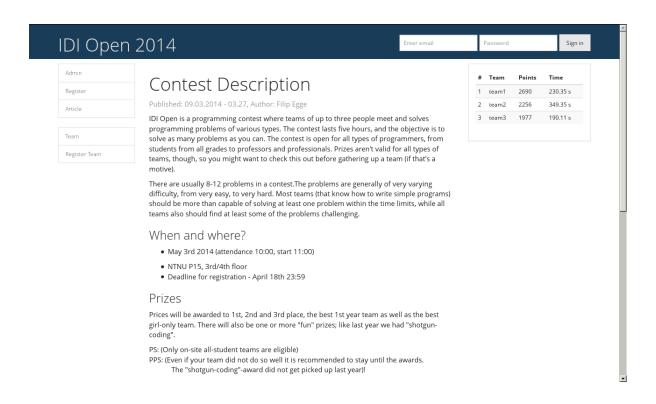


Figure J.1: Our initial website design

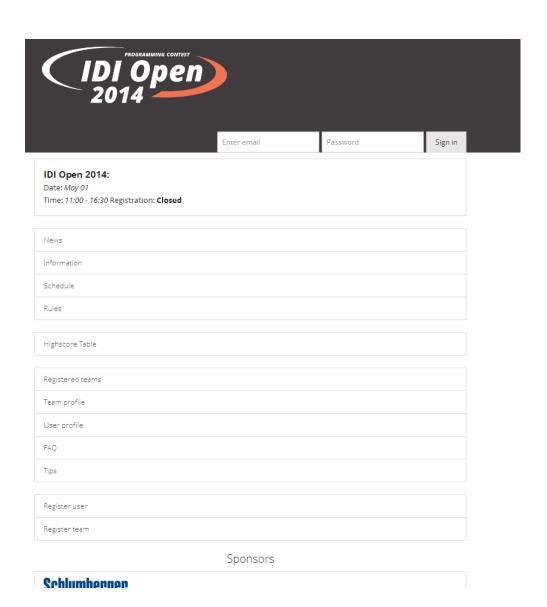


Figure J.2: The website seen from a mobile device

## Appendix K

# Sprint Burndowns

### K.1 Inital Activity Lists

#### Sprint 1

_									
_			Planning				Follow-up		
_									
Nr	Work Package	Activity	Resource	Planned work (hrs)		Finish	Actual work (hrs)	Status (% complete)	Comment
1	Project management	Make WBS	Konrad, Håkon	2	30.01.2014	30.01.2014	7	100	
	Project management	Create a structure for weekly meetings	Tino	2	28.01.2014	28.01.2014		0	
3	Project management	Fill out the status report	Tino	2	30.01.2014	02.02.2014	1	100	Status report and activity plan is two separate tasks, so it didn't take that long. And also I can't fill out the whole status report before we start to plan our next sprint
4	Project management	Create a preliminary risk assessment	Anders					O	
5	Project management	Create a functional requirement specification	Tino, Håkon, Konrad, Filip	12	29.01.2014	30.01.2014	15	O	It took longer than expected, because we write it in norwegian, and then had to translate it to english. We also needed to update it after meeting with customer. Maybe we should have broken it down into smaller tasks.
6		Setup github repo	Anders	2	29.01.2014	30.01.2014	4	100	Learning about git took longer than expected. E.g. git submudules etc
7		Setup jenkins	Anders	10	29.01.2014	30.01.2014	. 3	30	Some unexpected items, such as openshift using django 1.4 instead of 1.6
8		Create non-functional requirement specification	Konrad, Eirik	6	29.01.2014	30.01.2014	4	100	
9		Seminar/lecture	Eiritk, Tino						Two seminars this week.
10		Add sprint tasks	Anders	1	29.01.2014	29.01.2014	1		Noted in icescrum
11		Meeting with supervisor	ALL	1	30.01.2014	30.01.2014			Transcription/summary in drive
12		Sprint review	ALL	1	30.01.2014	30.01.2014		100	
13		Flow diagram						0	
14		Prepare customer meeting	Konrad	1				100	Took less than 1 hour
15		Class diagram	Filip	30	29.01.2014			50	
16		Learn python/django	ALL		29.01.2014		18		Konrad: Used more than 5 hours. Could need more next sprint.
17		IDE/eclipse jboss							
18		Activity plan	Tino	1	30.01.2014	30.01.2014	1	100	
19		Seminar/lecture	Tino, Eirik	6		30.01.2014	€	100	Seminar about the usage of Scrum in a real- life environment

Figure K.1: Our initial website design

### Sprint 2

			Planning				Follow-up		
Nr	Work Package	Activity	Resource	Planned work (hrs)	Start	Finish	Actual work (hrs)	Status (% complete)	Comment
1	Install and learn tools	Setup jenkins plugin	Anders	2	07.02.2014	17.02.2014	3		Not finished yet.
2		Setup IDI Machine		1				0	
3		Learn ienkins	ALL	6					Learn by writing a test
4		Create and setup git branch	ALL	6					To do on Monday
_	Design								, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
5	Requirement specification	Update functional requirements. Update use-story. Write down what kind of syntax and what kind of naming we should use throughout.	Eirik, Filip	6	06.02.2014	06.02.2014	4	100	This includes joining a team and creating a contestant. We chose to skip class diagram as we saw no use for these.
6	System architecture	Create flow-chart for joining a contest. Create class diagram for joining a contest.	Anders, Tino	4	06.02.2014	06.02.2014	1	100	Very simple diagrams, should probably be updated after a first attempt at its implementation
7		Create a flow-chart for creating a contest. Create a class diagram for joining a contest.	Tino, Håkon	4	05.02.2014	05.02.2014	2	100	
8		Create a flow-chart for posting news. Create a class diagram for posting news.	Anders, Konrad	4	05.02.2014	05.02.2014	5	100	Create a ER-diagram showing how admins, teams, contestants and contests work together.
9	Database modelling	A user should be able to join a competition create by an admin. ER	Tino, Håkon	6	05.02.2014	07.02.2014	4	100	
10	Development								
11	Unit testing	Create the unit part of the testplan, create contest	Filip, Eirik	2	10.02.2014			C	
12		Create the unit part of the testplan, join contest	Konrad, Anders	2	10.02.2014		1	40	
13		Create the unit part of the testplan, post news	Tino, Håkon	2	10.02.2014		0	5	
14	Project requirements								
15	1.6 WBS	Update WBS to meet standard: Update gantt diagram. Add more work packages.	Anders, Tino	2	06.02.2014	06.02.2014	2	100	Change the priority(e.g. execution node development should be moved backwards). We should have more packages to mention.
16	1.4 Report	Status report	Tino	1	06.02.2014	06.02.2014	1	100	Uploaded it to itslearning.
17	1.4.1 Preliminary report	Write down the stucture of the report	Eirik, Filip	2	05.02.2014	05.02.2014	2		Unable to add page numbers to table of contents in Google Docs
18		Write down why we chose the tools we are using/going to use	Anders	2	08.02.2014	09.02.2014	3	100	Should of course include why we chose these. Maybe also what other options we had.
19	1.4.1.1	System description							

Figure K.2: Our initial website design

	1.4.1.1.1	Merge all diagrams into report						100	
2	1.4.1.1.2	Description of the system	Håkon, Filip		06.02.2014	08.02.2014	2		Write about the system as it is (old system),
									and how we plan on it being(new system).
2.	1.4.1.2	Write about our team	Håkon	4	07.02.2014	09.02.2014	4	100	How we are organized. Why we chose scrum, TDD.
2	3 1.4.1.2.1	Introduction of our team	ALL						Should take about 5 min
_									
2	1	Words and definitions	ALL	2	06.02.2014	09.02.2014	1	100	Some points to write about: Se example report
2	5	Customer	Tino	1	08.02.2014	08.02.2014	1	100	Write about motivation and scope.
2	3	Insert risk assessment into report	Tino, Håkon	1	09.02.2014	09.02.2014	1	100	
2	Risk assessment	Update/complete the missing risks	Tino, Håkon	6	09.02.2014	09.02.2014	6		This includes prioritizing, also we must define terms. Remember to fill in the definition of what is HIGH/LOW. Some of this will be present in the report.
2	Component models	Create initial CBSE(page 450 sommerville)	Håkon, Tino						

Figure K.3: Our initial website design

### K.2 Activity Lists

Sprint 3

Ι			Planning				Follow-up		
N	Work Package		Resource	Planned work (hrs)	Start	Finish	Actual work (hrs)		Comment
Г	1 Design	Create basic mockups	Tino, Håkon	2	12.02.2014	12.02.2014	2	100	We are going to need more mockups
	2	Rework the requirement specification	Konrad	2			3	70	
	3 Development	An admin should be able to publish news	ALL		12.02.2014				
	4	A user should be able to register for a contest	ALL		12.02.2014				
	5	An admin should be able to create a contest	ALL		12.02.2014				

Figure K.4: Our initial website design

### Sprint 4

			Planning				Follow-up		
Nr	Work Package	Activity	Resource	Planned work (hrs)	Start	Finish	Actual work (hrs)	Status (% complete)	Comment
A-		As an admin I want to be able to						, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
02		create a contest							
		Make sure contest is published at the right time							Dropped
		Start date cannot be set after finish date.							Dropped
01	Development	As a contestant I want to be able to register a contestant in IDIOpen							
		Create the register page		4					
02	Development	As a contestant I want to be able to register and administer teams							
		Make register page for teams							
U- 02		As a user I want to have intuitive interface design							
		Make more mockups for all parts of the system	Håkon, Filip	4	20.02.2014	21.02.2014	4	100	
		Set up base template	Håkon	4	21.02.2014	25.02.2014	8	100	
1.	Project management	report							
		Update requirements	Konrad, Tino, Anders	6	21.02.2014	25.02.2014	14	70	
		Update WBS							
		Update risk	Anders, Tino, Håkon	4			2	100	
		Review system architecture	Konrad, Filip	2	21.02.2014	25.02.2014	4	70	
		Minor report stuff	Eirik	4			2		
		Write about SCRUM	Filip	2			2	100	
A- 03		As an admin I want to publish news							
		Fixed newsfeed	Eirik	4	21.02.2014	25.02.2014	4	100	
		Add author as foreign key							
		Fix date and author(publish at, created on)	Konrad, Tino	4	21.02.2014	24.02.2014	8	100	
CU- 02		As a customer I want different usergroups							
		Add usergroups(judges, contestants, functionary)							

Figure K.5: Our initial website design

Sprint 5	Availability this week (hours)		84	12	12	12	12	12	12	12								
						Hours	Rema	aining						Hours	Spent			
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Sum
A-02																		
		2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	Start date cannot be set after finish date	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
CO-01	As a contestant I want to be able to register a contestant in	iDiopen																
	Create the register pa This includes fron	3	4	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	2	5	0	1	2	0	0	10
CO-02	As a contestant I want to be able to register and administer	r team																0
	[logged in] Make register page for teams	3	16	16	16	12	10	10	10	0	0	1	4	0	8	10	0	23
	[logged in] Make administrative page. For team.	2	8	8	8	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	8
	Create login for contestant. depend on C0-01	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
	Make invite (to team) show in contestant login page.	2	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	5
U-02	As a user I want to have intuitive interface design																	
	Integrate base HTML with the rest	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0		4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
SU-001	Report																	
	Tino finds out what to do	3	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
	Write preface and abstract	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	Development process (write about how we organize our sp	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	Development/implementation, explain what we have done	2	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
	Design, mockups (Explain our design/link it to mockups)	2	8	8	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	0	0	0	0	10
	Make sequence-diagrams for Create contest/Create Team	2	8	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	12
SU-01	Testplan																	
	Unit test	2	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
	Integration test	2	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	8
	System (acceptance) test	2	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	8
A-03	As a admin I want published news																	0
	Link user to an article. Author as foreign key	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CU-02	As a customer I want different usergroups																	0
	Add usergroups (judges, contestants, functionary) in config.	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S-01	Sponsor stuff																	0
		2	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
			95	97	83	71	55	35	30	4	14	10	28	28	10	22	3	115

Figure K.6: Initial activity list, sprint 1

Sprint 6	Availability this week (hours)		84	12	12	12	12	12	12	12								
			,			Hours	Rema	ining						Hours	Spent			
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Sum
CO-02	Register and administer team																	
	[logged in] Make administrative page. For team. This is a part of the the contestants dashboard	3	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	0	4	4	0	8	2	0	18
	Make invite (to team) show in contestant login page. Make invite accessible	3	8	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	8
	[logged in] Make register page for teams	3	8	7	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	4	0	0	0	0	9
SU-01	Report																	
	Write preface	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
	Development process (write about how we organize our sprints, etc)	3	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	5
	Development/implementation, explain what we have done so far	3	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3
	Design, mockups (Explain our design/link it to mockups)	2	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	3
	Make sequence-diagrams for Create contest/Create Team/Register contestant	2	8	8	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	8	0	0	14
	write about our report, what is contained in each chapter, etc	3	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
	Insert updated risk, Burndown charts and WBS in Report (use Google Fusion)	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	Alternative solutions, write about technical alternatives																	
	Non-functional req, need to add security	3	4	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	5
	Requirements specification	3	4	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	4
	Update Class-diagrams	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
	Make Component-diagram	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	Task description and Overview	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4
	Update milestones	3	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
	Write about the problem faced so far	2	8	8	8	8	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	7
SU-01	Testplan																	
	Component Diagram in relation to the integration test	2	2															
	Unit test	3	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	0	0		0	4	0	0	4
	Integration test	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	Write about the different tests	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
	Write about how we implement the tests	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
	System (acceptance) test	3	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	2	0	10
	Create template to testplan	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2

Figure K.7: Initial activity list, sprint 2

S-01	Sponsor nice nice																	
	It should be easy for admins to add sponsors to a competition. Sponser as foreign key to contest. Add sponsor model	2	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4
U-02	as a User i want Intuitive user interface																	
	Create bootstrap webpage. This includes implementing	3	16	15	10	9	3	0	0	0	1	5	2	5	0	0	0	13
A-03	As an admin I want published news																	
	Link user to an article. Author as foreign key	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			142	131	108	102	88	60	46	31	6	25	21	16	48	17	1	134

Figure K.8: Initial activity list, sprint 3

Sprint 7	Availability this week (hours)		168	24	24	24	24	24	24	24								
						Hour	Rema	aining						Hours	Spent			
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Sum
C0-01																		0
	Contestant admistrativ page. Change username, pw, nick (low prio), Show invites	3	32	29	17	17	5	0	0	0	0	12	12	7	0	0	0	31
	It should not be possible to join a team if you already are on a team	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Add gender (should be optional)	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Test																		0
	Write unit tests	1	4	4	4	4	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	8
	Write system tests	1	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
CO-02																		0
	Register and administer team, leader can change name etc.	3	32	32	21	6	3	0	2	0	0	11	12	3	5	0	2	33
	Make it possible to be a leader for a team.	2	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	6
	Only one invite per email per team.	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
	You should not be able to add yourself as a member of the team. This should be done automaticly.	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
A-02																		0
	Teams view on admin site, only participants not in team can be added to a team	1	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
	Order links. Links should have a weight so an admin can sort them	1	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	5
U-01																		0
	Error messages	2	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	7	10
U-02																		0
	Login bootstrap	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
	Artile list seperation. Also, between each article	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Space between content and footer	1	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
	Add block nav.contest (information block over meny) DO NOT CHANGE MODELS	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
A-02																		0
	Make contact info in footer from admin	1	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4
S-01	+		-															0
3-01	Add sponsors picture from admin	3	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
4.00	Add sponsors picture from admin	3	<u> </u>	0	- 0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	-	0
A-03		L	$\perp$															U

Figure K.9: Initial activity list, sprint 4

	Make it possible to create news that are not articles. E.g. sponsors news.	1	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
T-01																		
	HTTPS	1	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
	Pentest (csrf, input validation, xss, sql)	3	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
	Logging	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	
Dep-01	Set up solution live																	
	nginX, gUnicorn	3	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
			172	158	128	106	72	58	54	36	3	37	31	21	11	12	20	135

Figure K.10: Initial activity list, sprint 5

Sprint 8				
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Used
Testing				
	Test all part of system	3	64	64
Deploy				
	Set up solution live	3	32	34
	Ensure that we have backups of our database	3	8	8
Bug fixes		3	64	80
	Some of which are:			
	Explain properly the syntax for the url that comes when they create a contest.			
	Explain the separators, that there is a drag 'n' drop button create separato			
	Explain/fix the image with sponsors.			
	Inviting a team member when creating a team did not work; an email was not sent.			
	Help text for add link URL did not explain properly			
	Add customer support email that is not our email list, such that the developers (gentlecoding) is available.			
	Change email			
	Passord lengde, strengere krav			
	Activitation e-mai			
	forgot password			
			168	186

Figure K.11: Initial activity list, sprint 6

Sprint 9	Availability this week (hours)		84	12	12	12	12	12	12	12								
				Hou	rs R	ema	ining	,				H	lour	s Sp	ent			
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Ons	Tor	Fre	Lør	Søn	Man	Tir	Sun
A-11	add/remove execution node																	(
	Execution node model	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
	Init script (Install compilers, create user)	3	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	(
	Permission testing	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	•
A-12	configure exection nodes with compiler profiles																	(
	Compiler profile model	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
J-01	submit problem(s)																	(
	Problem description model	3	8	8	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	
J-02	upload cases for problem(s) (backend)																	(
	Upload case in admin panel	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
	Create case model	2	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Connect case to problems	2	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	-
J-03	upload solutions	Ì																(
	Connect submissions (from judges) and problem	2	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	7
CU-02	different usergroups																	(
	Add judge as usergroup	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
CU-03	user manual																	(
	For deletion	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2								(
	How to write articles	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	•
	How to add admin users	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
	To change password	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
T-01	upload submission to problem																	(
	Submission model	2	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	Nice nice gui	2	8	8	7	7	7	7	4	2	0	2	5	0	0	4	2	13
TEST	Testing																	C
	Create contest	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	Create user	3	8	8	8	8	8	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
	Test urls	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	ε

Figure K.12: Initial activity list, sprint 7

Test forms (registration team/ register user)	3	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	5
BUGFIXES																	0
Email		4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
		90	88	73	69	49	45	29	16	3	15	19	1	15	9	5	67

Figure K.13: Initial activity list, sprint 8

	Sprint 10		0	
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Used
A-11	add/remove an execution node			
	Fabric init script	3	8	16
	AppArmor	3	16	24
	Admin interface to add nodes	2	4	4
	Removal of execution node (ssh key, uninstall script, etc)	1	8	0
	Upload problem cases (only upload once)	1	16	0
A-12	configure exection nodes with compiler profiles			
	Make an actual compiler profile (e.g. gcc)	3	2	1
	Add what you need to run the program in model	3	4	4
	Poll for execution finish	2	8	8
J-02	upload cases for problem(s)			
	Test of cases	1	4	2
	Description for case; different types (enum)	1	4	2
J-03	upload solutions			
	Different kind of solutions to problems	1	4	2
J-04	verify contest problem sets and solutions			
	Test all problems and solutions in one page	2	8	2
T-01	upload submission to problem			
	delegate submission to execution node	3	8	12
	media files should be private	3	8	4
	nice nice GUI	3	8	16
	Upload close at competition end	2	4	3
	Upload begin at competition start	3	4	3
A-06	set penalty system			
	Team score	3	8	12
	score for team submission	3	8	8
	Cleanup, integration and bugfixes			

Figure K.14: Initial activity list, sprint 9

Total			214	217
	Testing BUGHUNTAZ	3	16	20
	Integrating code	3	16	18
	Fixing bugs	2	32	36
	Deploy and nice nice	3	16	20

Figure K.15: Initial activity list, sprint 10

	Sprint 11			
ID	Story	Priority	Est	Use
CO-	Upload submission(Contestant)			
	Submission model	3	4	
	Ajax response	2	4	
	Hide uploaded files	3	2	
	Compiler profile	3	4	
	Test cases models	2	4	
	Problems models	3	4	
	Resources models	2	4	
	Custom validator	2	4	
	Run submissions	3	32	3
	Multiple execution nodes	1	4	
F0-04	Highscore			
	Create highscore	3	8	-
	Create minihighscore(top 5 only)	2	4	
	Ajax minihighscore	1	4	
	Freeze highscore at right time	2	2	
A-06	penalty system			
	Penalty constant on contest model	3	2	
	Test penalty contestant	3	2	
A-011	add/remove an execution node			
	Add nodes to cluster	1	2	
	Share uploaded files with all nodes	1	2	
A-012	configure exection node(s) with compiler profiles			
	Automaticly install compilers on nodes	1	4	
A-013	review system status			
	Create appropriate feedback to admin/judge	1	8	
J-003	upload solutions			
	upload solutions before contest	3	4	

Figure K.16: Initial activity list, sprint 11

J-004	verify contest problem sets and solutions			
	Create judge supervise	3	16	20
CU-01	clarification system			
	Clarification system design	3	2	
	Submit question	3	4	4
	Submit answer	3	4	4
	Clarification models	3	4	3
CU-02	different usergroups			
	Create usergroups	3	2	2
CU-03	user manual			
	Create docstrings	1	2	2
B-01	view (correct) submissions			
	Balloon System	3	8	10
	Ajax updates	2	2	4
U-01	receive (appropriate) error messages when errors occurs			
	Update error messages	1	4	2
U-02	intuitive interface design			
U-03	Tweak design	2	4	;
U-04	Logo	2	4	,,
U-05	Update admin interface	2	8	8
U-	good response time on webpages			
	Load testing	3	16	20
U-	short user transactions (avoid click click click)			
	Ajax updates	2	4	
	Testing	3	64	40
	Model earlier events	2	32	32
	Bugfixing	3	32	34
	Set up test event	3	16	10
	Test event	3	30	30
			366	363

Figure K.17: Initial activity list, sprint 12

Sprint 12			0	
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ID	Story	Priority	Est	Use
FO-04	Highscore			
	Update highscore	2	4	
A-010	determine what statistics are stored/collected by the system			
	generate csv files	2	8	
	generate pdf files from latex	2	16	5
	generate list of emails	1	2	
A-011	add/remove an execution node			
	Create shared submissions directory	2	4	
	Enable remote database connections	2	2	
	Connect remote node to broker.	2	2	
A-012	configure exection node(s) with compiler profiles			
	Automaticly install compilers on nodes	1	2	
U-004	short user transactions (avoid click click click)			
	Update small ajax bugs	3	2	
	Highscore			
	Small highscore fixes	2	2	
J-004	verify contest problem sets and solutions			
	Small updates to judge supervise	2	4	
	Give judges contestant access.	3	8	
	Bugfixes			
	Custom validator fixes	3	4	
	Security fixes	3	2	
	Update feedbacks	2	2	
U-02	intuitive interface design			
	Small updates in admin interface	2	2	
U-003	good response time on webpages			
	Cache highscore	1	2	

Figure K.18: Initial activity list, sprint 13

	administrative		16	8
	Testing	3	32	32
	Set up 2014 event	3	3 2	1
	Configure and setup compiler profiles	3	3 4	3
	Create and enable links	2	2 2	1
	Bugfixing	3	32	20
	Be present at 2014 event	3	30	30
Total			186	201

Figure K.19: Initial activity list, sprint 14

## Appendix L

# Transcript Template for Supervisor Meeting

	<b>present:</b> names of those present
Meeting with supervisor	date and time: date and time
	location of the meeting:

### Activity list

1. Meeting minutes goes here

### Discussion

1. Items discussed in the meeting

 $end\ meeting\ time$