

Clarification call with Tutor (Oli) - Thursday May 19th: 14:00 - 14:30 (GMT+1)

Attendees

- Anastasia Rizzo
- Astrid van Toor
- Leigh Feaviour
- Oliver Buckley

Notes

- We shared the draft design document.
 - Oli who confirmed we are on the right lines.
- We shared the draft requirements document and asked if requirements should be included as an appendix..
 - Oli said that would be OK as long as the appendix wasn't so long that it detracted from the main purpose (design).
- We shared the draft UML diagrams to check if they were the right level of detail.
 - Oli confirmed that they looked OK. He mentioned there are some modelling tools specifically designed for agents, but UML is still fine and won't lose any marks in the assessment.
 - **Action:** Leigh to look into whether additional modelling tools should be used to best reflect the final design.
- We asked about using APIs rather than writing our own screen scraper.
 - Oli confirmed that using API(s) would be fine because the purpose of the task is to test using agents.
- We asked if having agents as separate functions within a single program would meet the criteria of being an agent.
 - Oli said that having agents as separate functions within the same programme would be OK, but it would be better to have them clearly separated into different agents, for example using multiple threads
 - **Action:** Astrid to look into multithreading in Python
- Anastasia shared that she has been working through some exploratory code to get the agents working in order to inform the design.
 - **Action:** Anastasia to share her code to date with Astrid and Leigh

Overall we were happy that we're heading in the right direction.

We agreed to cancel our next checkpoint call scheduled for tomorrow due to lack of time to make meaningful progress. We will talk again next week.