Team Journal

**Vikram**: The most important thing for me coming into this course was to learn how to make applications in React framework. I did learn from mistakes made in the past where I tried to create a website in react but failed as my concepts were not clear, however, this time I’ve come prepped with loaded guns—My strategy was to first get a good grasp over JavaScript and then move to the React frame work which I did. While learning js the focus was mostly on classes and this was very tedious and painful learning experience however I got a good grip on it now, only to get introduced to hooks in React what a breath of fresh air –

This is week 3: This is my third attempt at the project hopefully it is the last, by this statement I don’t mean I am stuck or can’t do it, but I keep finding more efficient ways of doing work—During the first attempt I was confident and just went at it I knew what I want to build I had all the tools, knowledge apis etc., so I started with a vision in my head and a sketch, all my logic was together and the machine was working but when you looked at it from a distance what a hot mess, it was the ugliest website, I think I would be the only one who would know how to use it. So I was like ok its not like everything is lost, let me start again, this time scope creep was creating hell for me as I started exploring other resources and had plans of merging datasets and creatine one product, good idea but bad planning, I went through the entire process again and created a monster, I decided to get peoples feedback and showed it to a couple of close friends, they did not know how many hours of work went into it, so they were extremely honest and said it was ugly. I decided to go home and sleep.

Trust me it’s at 3am when I get this divine intervention, everything seemed so clear, the planning stage had begun, In my mind I was creating layouts and planning how data is going to be displayed, I would also have a standard layout for all products for user friendliness. This time it’s looking good, I have already completed two features and have 2 more to go and may add more. One important thing I forgot to mention is that the assignments played a key part in my success, as I got to brush up on layout concepts which triggered ideas in my head.