Design Project: Reflection Report

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1 Personal Development Plan

- **Angular JS:** I have never done a project in Angular JS before, but know the basics of it. This will be a good opportunity to enhance my angular skills. The skills gained from this project should be sufficient to feel confident about programming a webapp in Angular JS in the future.

- **Presentation skills:** Although I'm satisfied with my level of English, I'm not so satisfied with my level of presenting. I have had a speech impediment in the past from which I recovered but it still shows while presenting, due to the stress. I should be able to fix this so I will try my best to present as fluidly and relaxed as possible this semester.

2 Reflection Report

2.1 Technical Lessons

Technically I have certainly gained a greater understanding of Spring, since I have never been in contact with it as much as for this project. Also writing decent unit and integration tests was a first for me. I have, of course, written unit tests in the past but not on this scale.

2.2 Personal lessons

Personally I have learned that, whatever project I enter I need to be able to speak my mind. Normally I take on a kind of leader roll for previous projects and try to get everyone to work together. But this time around I thought of trying to let someone else take that role and Driek obviously did amazing. But as the semester progressed I noticed that I became some kind of second in charge after Driek. I think it is just my personality, that I want to be involved in a bit of everything and take the word in meetings.

2.3 Project Management Lessons

I have definitely learned that a good group feeling helps with the communication between members. Everyone feels comfortable enough to send personal

messages to everyone else, which is very good for productivity. But one thing I would have done differently this semester is that I would organise group coding sessions. It would have been amazing to just sit down with everyone and be able to talk about a problem the moment it arises. It would have definitely saved us a lot of time and trouble.

2.4   Personal Development Plan

Looking at my personal development plan right now, I would give myself a definite 50%.

In the beginning of the semester the team decided to put me in a front- and backend role, along with Driek. We would both just help where needed and this would result in us knowing some stuff of both front- and backend. However during the semester Driek helped out more in the frontend, while I did more in the backend. This resulted in me barely working in the frontend. So I did learn a lot about Spring but nothing really about Angular JS.

My presenting skills have certainly improved. During the first review we decided to let everyone speak about the part they were most confident in. After this the team decided to let me do a lot of the talking, since I am an easy talker. I actually liked this because this was perfect for me to improve my presenting skills. So I also did the pitch on the demo day, which went smoothly.