Cpr E/S E 492 May1639 Weekly Report 2

A Web-based Platform for Java Specifications

Reporting period: January 16th - January 22nd Advisor/Client: Professor Rajan (Com S) Members: Evan Dye (Team Leader)

Arik Coats (Web Master, Concept Holder)
Robert Kloster (Communication Leader)

Weekly Summary

- The team has agreed to consider transferring from MyBB to a more questions-and-answers style platform; one possible viable alternative is Question2Answer;
 - supports reputation system (upvotes, downvotes, badges, etc.)
 - clearly delimited question/answer structure as opposed to MyBB's forum/post setup
 - greater flexibility in terms of customizable database manipulation and access client-side
- Installed Question2Answer on project server alongside our existing forum.
- Prof. Rajan has been contacted and informed of the team's recommendation; he has requested a status update on the transfer attempt by next week.

Goals for next week:

- Determine if we can easily/effectively transfer our existing work to Question2Answer.
- Determine if Question2Answer is a more viable option than MyBB to complete this semester's requirements and deliverables as well as for the future extensibility of this project.

Name	Hours Spent	Contributions	Results
Evan Dye	3	 Researched viable alternatives to MyBB Assessed potential risks and gains of transfer. 	The Q2A platform seems viable, but will require further research and analysis.
Arik Coats	5	 Researched viable alternatives to MyBB Assessed potential risks and gains of transfer. Installed the Question2Answer (Q2A) Q&A forum on our project website. Experimented with Q2A to determine viability. 	Basic Q&A forum is up and running on our project server. The Q2A platform seems viable, but will require further research and analysis.
Robert Kloster	3	 Researched viable alternatives to MyBB Assessed potential risks and gains of transfer. 	We are hopeful and eager for the successful transference from MyBB to Question2Answer, but we must proceed with caution; choosing our web software without giving due time to requirement analysis and risk assessment is what caused these issues in the first place.