

This week has been an interesting week with a lot of firsts for this course. We had our first supervision, our first sprint planning and we are currently in the midst of the first sprint phase.

The week started off with a group meeting on Monday where we sat down and started thinking about what epics and what user stories we wanted to have for our project. Here we used the knowledge from last week's lecture to try to formulate user stories based on the INVEST model. This proved to be quite challenging especially to make the user independent from each other, and to know exactly how small the user stories should be, but after discussion and consideration I feel like we did a good job in defining the user stories.

Later in the afternoon we had our first supervision, which felt good and we got some tips on how to improve and tips for a new method to test our during our first sprint called "pair programming" (which I will return to later in this reflection). After the supervision we started to break down our user stories into tasks and did our first sprint planning. The most challenging thing with the sprint planning this time was to estimate how much time every task (and user-story) should take, as many tasks required knowledge in Bootstrap (a framework for creating HTML files) which few in the team possessed and therefore had to learn before being able to complete a task.

Another thing that we got as feedback from the supervision was that we should have a rotating schedule for PO, like we already have for Scrum master. So we randomized this and I got to be PO for this first sprint (together with Viktoria), this was quite tricky as it was in the first week and that we all had much to get acquainted to, but as PO I tried to make sure that we wrote in acceptance criteria for all the tasks we wanted to have for the first sprint. I also tried to lead the group in prioritizing what user stories and task we should focus on in this sprint. So overall I feel like I got a good picture of what it was like to be a PO, although I think it would have been easier and maybe more "true to life" not being PO the first sprint as the flow of things were not as good as I think it will be now that we know better how to handle our sprints (and sprint plannings). One thing that I also think will help the upcoming POs is that we later in the week (Thursday) discussed exactly what tasks we think the PO should have in our team and wrote these into our social contract.

During Thursday some of the group met up in the morning to test out pair programming and to learn Bootstrap together. This worked out very well and I felt like I learnt a lot in a short amount of time, as we all learned different things and helped each other understand better. I think this is something that is worth continuing to do, we just have to remember to do it from different users so that it's not only one of the persons in the pair that does all the commits to GitHub, just like we did this Thursday. During this session we were able both to learn some Bootstrap but also complete some of our sprint tasks.

In the afternoon (still Thursday) we had our 2nd full group meeting where we wrote our team discussion and had a check in on how we were doing. After the meeting we continued to work on the tasks from the sprint, and I left school feeling very positive regarding what we had accomplished.

Now I look forward to doing some more tasks for the sprint Monday morning and doing our first sprint review on Monday afternoon.

