

This week the focus for the group has been to define the scope of our project and to decide what application we should develop. This process started monday morning, when we had a brainstorming session where we came up with several exciting ideas that we later ranked and discussed to decide what idea to use. I have to say that this session worked out very well. I liked that we started this session with a “round-the-table”, which is a nice way to ensure that everybody get time to talk totally uninterrupted.

Later in the afternoon we had an interesting lecture on creating tasks and user stories which I think will come in handy next monday when we are going to define our own user stories and tasks for the product backlog.

On wednesday we once again met in the morning, this time we planned our project pitch and started talking about what features we think should be in the MVP and what features would be fun to add later down the road if time allows. Later that day after lunch was the project pitch session where we both presented our own pitch (which I think was well received) and listened to other groups pitches.

This pitch session was a great way to get better insight into what other groups were planning to do, but it also acted as an inspiration as it gave me even more ideas of what we could implement in our application if we have time.

After the pitch-session we continued and finished our project scope by creating a moc-up showing our rough idea of how the product should look when finished and creating a business model canvas for our product. One reflection I have from working with the business model canvas is that it was kind of tricky to fill in some of the fields in it as the templates we found often had a purely monetary focus, which is understandable but maybe not as relevant for our application.

Apart from the things I mentioned above that have been done as a group I have also started to try to understand the Spring framework by reading online.

I now look forward to starting the work “for real” next week!