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Self-Assessment

Part A:

My individual contribution to this project was mainly focused around the user experience. I was responsible for researching and compiling ideas on what should be displayed to the user, creating wireframes based off of my research, presenting these ideas to the rest of the team for feedback, and finally implementing the UX elements of the website. I did apply and build on the skills identified last semester, specifically regarding the responsively designed web pages. I gained valuable experience in creating my designs from scratch, taking in research from other similar projects, and presenting and defending my design choices to others.

My successes were that my designs were accepted and praised by my team members, and some obstacles were of course actually implementing them. Certain things such as the graph visualizers required learning about their frameworks, which was a slight challenge to someone that hadn't used that specific framework before.

Part B:

Our group accomplished a working solution for server-monitoring applications, ready to be delivered. It may require a better server depending on how many customers we have, but it works. I learned quite a bit about group work, especially learning to accept that other group members may have obligations outside of this project to tend to first. We weren't always available to talk to, and it was an odd transition from a work environment.

Aspects of our teamwork that were successful would be our morale. All of us were very excited about the project, and never had to convince ourselves this work would be worth it. Some aspects that were not successful would be meeting in person, partly due to the current pandemic but partly due to our busy schedules. There were not as many in-person meetings than we had hoped for, but we soldiered on regardless. I believe my effort was on par with our other teammates, considering what we were responsible for. I believe that the front-end implementation was less of an effort than the back-end implementation, and want to credit my team members for their valiant efforts regarding this.