

# Practicum Presentation - Due Date 13th - 15th August

## 15th - 21st July

- Started adding more sections to the presentation
- Started working on the script
- Wrote introduction slide
- Wrote research questions slide
- Wrote background research slides
- Wrote methodology and evaluation slides
- Wrote technical challenges and conclusion slides
- Finished first draft

## 8th - 14th July

- Starting working on practicum presentation
- Added figures and contributions as well as some sections

# Project Work/Software - Due Date 23rd July

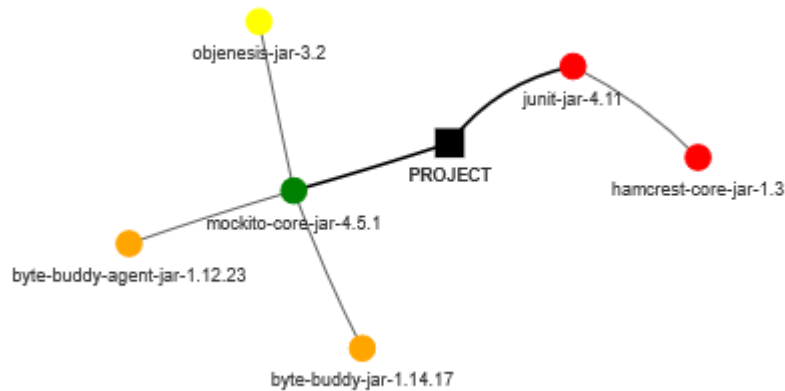
## 15th - 21st July

- Added to background research section
- Added more appendices
- Reread and corrected paper
- Reworded some sections
- Finished third draft
- Addressed all supervisor comments
- Added key terminology section
- Reworded some sections
- Rewrote conclusion and some parts of methodology
- Final reread
- Final draft

## 8th - 14th July

- Had peers look over the first draft and took their comments on board
- Added the appendices
- Added extra graphs and pipeline diagram
- Shuffled figures around to improve appearance
- Added more to Results and evaluation sections
- Finished Second Draft

- Minor bit of testing left to do and third draft
- Created maven project with two similar dependencies: Mockito and JUnit and checked results



- Updated Contributions Document

## 1st - 7th July

- Working on both the methodology section and the results/graphs section
  - ◆ Need to add more to the results/graphs section
- Working on the evaluation section - need to get average evaluation data for this
- Wrote a threats to validity section
- Reorganised the document according to the template sent
  - ◆ Need to fix website references though - done
- Working on rereading and adding some writing to some of the sections
- Finished First Draft
- Working on rereading and adding appendices
- Working on addressing recommendations from proofreaders
- Reworking graph locations

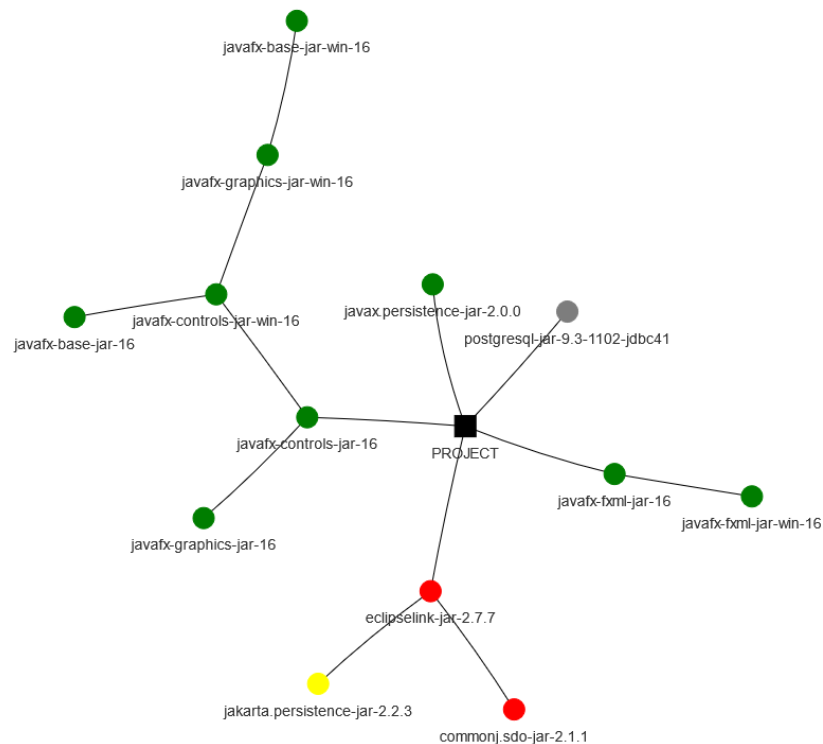
## 24th - 30th June

- Finished finding prediction evaluations including fixing inf issue
- Cleaned up code and updated task lists
- Changed variable names to more descriptive names
- Fixed issue with return commits risk score
  - ◆ Changed the calculation
- Emailed supervisor to ask for a meeting
- Fixed issue with vulnerability score always returning -5
- Fixed another typo issue
- Started working on the paper
  - ◆ Abstract
  - ◆ Introduction
  - ◆ Some of the calculations
- Added case studies section and redid the numbering

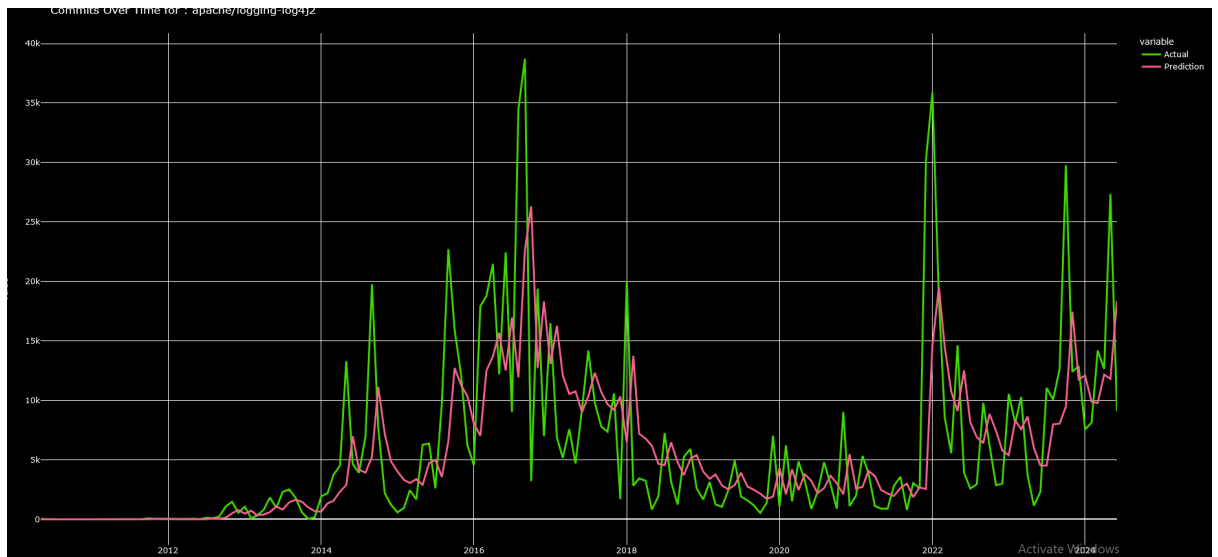
- Working on the related work section and the results and evaluation
- Redoing the abstract and the introduction
- Got the references working using Zotero
- Redid the appearance - two column, numbering
- Fully written first draft of - abstract, introduction, background research, case studies, started on the methodology section

## 17th - 23rd June

- Returning final value from predictions
- First look at graph

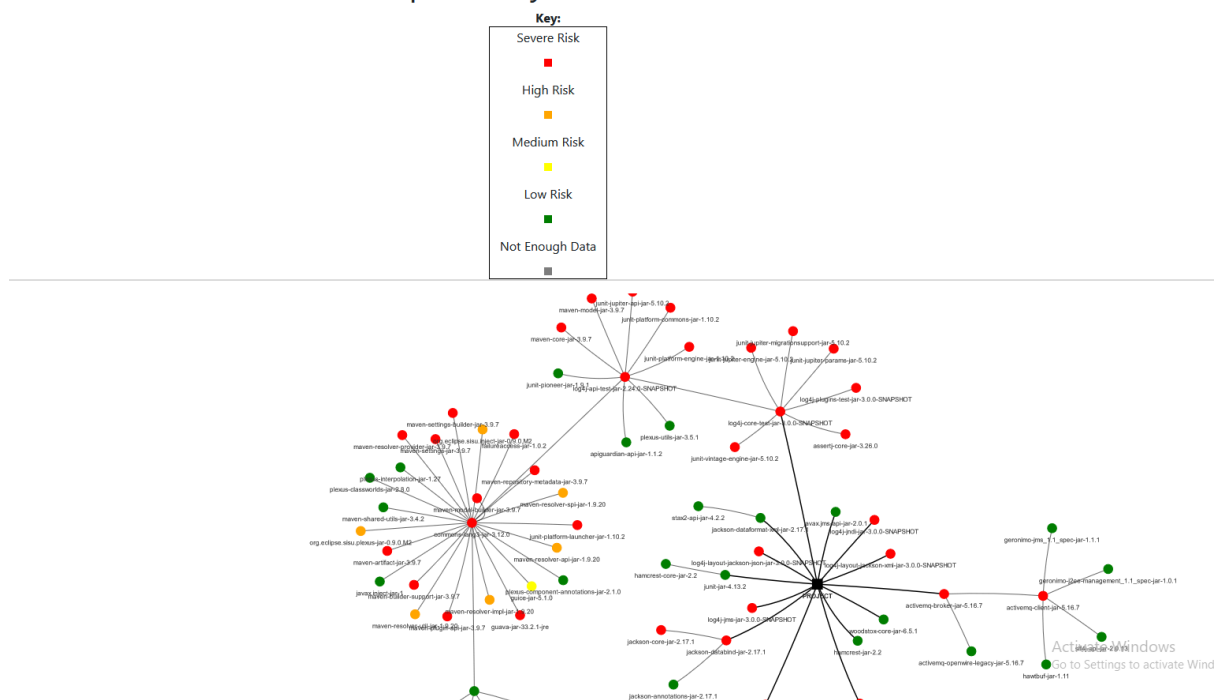


- This graph is just based on commits
- Have now gotten graph to display actual values vs commits - looking into changing the colour of second line
- The graphs now look really good like this:



- Updated the excel sheet of tasks
- Added to the current list of issues
- Added a key to the final graph

#### Dependency tree of risks



- Tested the project on another laptop to ensure portability
  - ◆ Reorganised data into folders
  - ◆ Created requirements to install for python
  - ◆ Wrote tutorial for partner to run code
- Finished keyword functionality
- Combined both prediction methods - graph now uses both
- Working on (finally) evaluating predictions - this may take a while
  - ◆ Done - using MAPE, MAE and RMSE

## 10th - 16th June

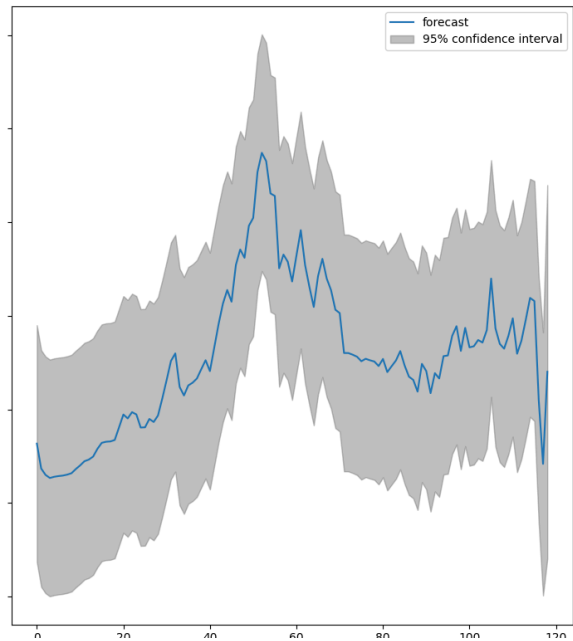
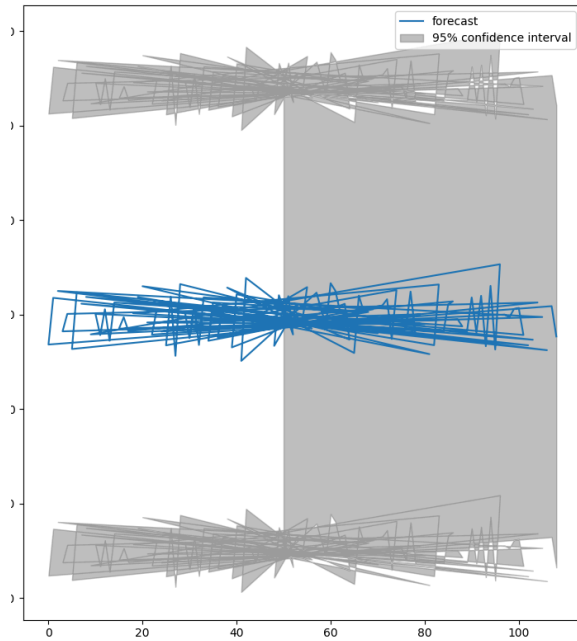
- Had meeting with supervisor
- Fixed auto parameters but some of the graphs look funky
- Working on adding github urls for log4j dependency tree - Done
- Started working on creating different configuration options - using a JSON
  - ◆ Finished working on integration
- Cleanup code/update description
- Next steps:
  - ◆ Fix graphs (Done)
  - ◆ Evaluate accuracy - using scores from summary/model
  - ◆ Redo commits section of code (Done)
  - ◆ Add actual score values - prediction values (Done)

## 3rd - 9th June

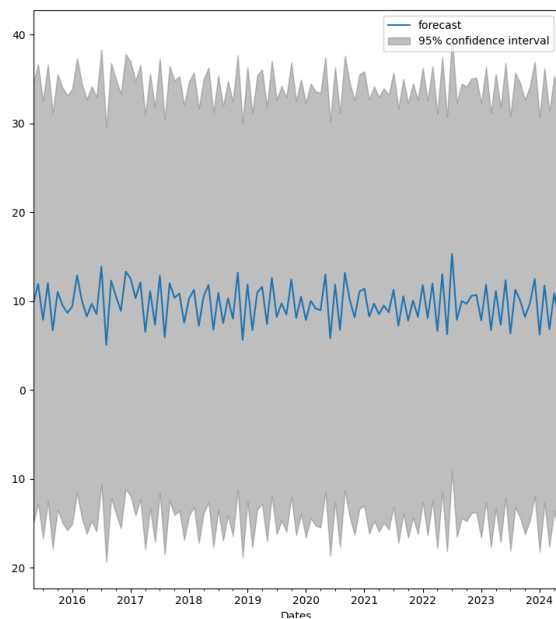
- Ensured the ARIMA data is stationary
- Attempting to automatically find parameters:
  - ◆ p is the number of autoregressive terms
  - ◆ d is the number of nonseasonal differences - sorted
  - ◆ q is the number of lagged forecast errors in the prediction equation
- Wrote progress report

## 27th - 2nd June

- Working on ARIMA prediction for issue resolve time
- Meeting thesis partner to discuss progress
- Ensuring all of the graphs work correctly for project prediction
- Working on ARIMA prediction for now - working but some of them are wonky
- Evaluating the ARIMA predictions that we have so far
- I also have been working on using the dates for the ARIMA predictions - this will mean filling any empty sections in with a 0 or a -1 - decided on a 0
  - ◆ Maybe I will do it up to the current date actually
- Graph is also broken at the moment
  - ◆ Fixed the graph
- Now working on [this tutorial](#) to ensure values get fixed in the prediction



- Not sure why some of the graphs look like this and others are fairly accurate
- Managed to fix the predictions as well as add extra dates

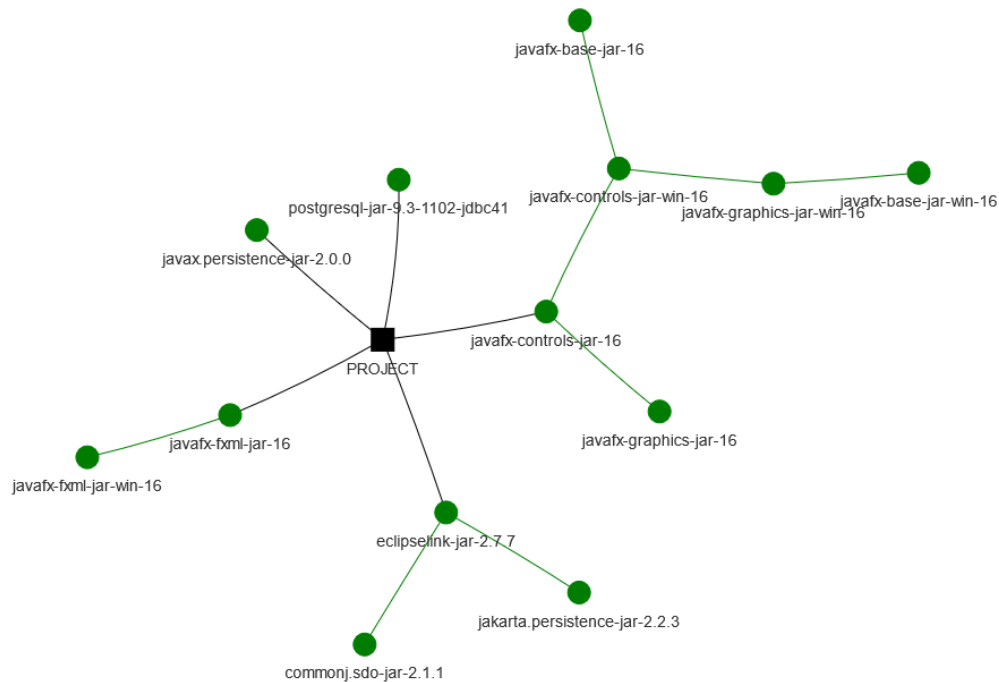


- This is the first prediction shown above fixed
- Have uploaded the current paper structure
- Now working on adding some to the methods section
- Created and assigned some more issues on Gitlab

## 20th - 26th May

- Creating a method to store the dependencies
- Working on creating a manual list of github links
- Investigated - maven, cmake and npm methods to gather dependencies
  - ◆ If maven dependency methods gets sorted I will create a method for these

- Made some progress on creating a graph of the dependencies - still needs to be improved



- Trying to find a better graphing method
  - ◆ For now sticking with the same method but using different colours for different risk levels
- Working on finding github links
  - ◆ Found github links for current dependency list
- Created function to populate dependency list
- Now working on getting a few different maven projects to gather more dependency trees
  - ◆ This is done - finished gathering github urls
- Next step working on graphing data for github issues
- Using a colour scheme to show risk in a package

## 13th - 19th May

- Starting working on predicting issue resolve time in GitHub Projects - using API
  - ◆ Not sure what prediction method to use here
  - ◆ Might also be worth adding open issues
- Organised GitLab and updated descriptions and READMEs
- Gathered data for all closed issues in apache spark repo
- Working on getting the time to close issues
  - ◆ For now will use ARIMA
- Met supervisor to discuss plan of action
- Started working on a method to extract dependencies from maven output
  - ◆ Running into an issue here where it is difficult to extract github links
    - Maybe worth creating a manual list
- Read up on log4j vulnerability

## 6th - 12th May

- Started gathering data for both the project prediction and vulnerability prediction section
- Graphed both of the data over time for apache spark
- Started the vulnerability prediction section using ARIMA ( as this was highly recommended in papers )
- Found p, d and q using various testing on the data
- Started organising better sections in the code
- Wrote a draft plan of action for the project and emailed supervisor to sort a meeting

## 14th - 15th April

- Set up some functions for separating each section of the code
- Started working on some of the project prediction section - using github api
- Organised folders for data, code and docs
- Started gathering commit counts per day and creating dataframes
- Printed graphs of commit counts over time

## 11th March

- Setting up the overleaf for the project - including a basic structure
- Looking into linking zotero
- Started researching methods of extracting software metrics

# Literature Review - Due Date 20th February

## 19th - 20th February

- Organised meeting with supervisor to discuss literature review draft
- Received feedback on draft
- Restructured draft as advised and fixed citations
- Added title and names as well as a table of contents
- Made sure to make any corrections as advised by supervisor
- Uploaded Literature Review to gitlab

## 8th - 16th February

- Had meeting with supervisor to discuss literature review draft
- Restructured the themes into two themes
- Continued researching papers and read another 17 papers during this period while writing the review
- Wrote vulnerability prediction studies section
- Wrote time series forecasting and vulnerability prediction studies section
- Wrote text mining and software metrics section
- Rewrote research question section



- Finished off section on time to fix and project activity predictions
- Added in statistics in introduction and research question section
- Wrote analytic conclusions
- Put all the papers in the taxonomy of papers in both themes
- Made last few edits on literature review draft
- Sent literature review draft to professor

## 29th January - 4th February

- Started organising papers read into different themes
- Came up with draft of planned headings and descriptions for literature review as requested by supervisor
- Wrote section on time lags in engineering process
- Sent headings draft to supervisor and organised meeting
- Wrote section on project activity
- Read another paper on lag in a network

## 25th January

- Sent an email to supervisor asking to discuss structure for the literature review

## 3rd - 11th January

- Started putting researched papers into themes
- Began working on extracting some CVE data from NVD API
- Reworded some of the theme headings
- Read another 8 papers and summarised their contents in the excel spreadsheet
- Managed to extract some necessary dates from CVEs

## 20th - 30th December

- Created and started organising excel sheet for research
- Organised sections in lit review as in drive
- Wrote introduction and survey question/motivation section
- Started coming up with some theme and subtheme ideas
- Read 7 papers and described the different points in the excel sheet

# Practicum Proposal Presentation - Due Date 24th November

## 28th - 29th November

- Wrote structure of a script for proposal presentation
- Came up with bullet points for research question and plan
- Helped edit script sections for partner

- Had the proposal approved after the presentation.

## Practicum Proposal

### 21st November

- Incorporated any last bits of feedback on proposal from supervisor

### 5th - 14th November

- Rewrote the section on the data we plan to use and the experiments
- Generalised the plan instead of focusing on time series to give a more general machine learning plan
- Updated the papers
- Sent the proposal draft to supervisor for review
- Incorporated feedback into report including rewriting several sections
- Resent proposal draft to supervisor

### 31st October

- Had meeting with supervisor to discuss proposal

### 22nd - 26th October

- Came up with some research questions. Wrote out a description of the topic.
- Described the planned exploration of these questions.
- Finished description of the topic and the research questions as well as the plan.
- Rewrote section on how the proposal relates to existing work.
- Sent draft proposal to supervisor.

### 11th - 13th October

- Started coming up with some research questions.
- Started on the proposal form and came up with an official topic for the proposal.

### 6th - 7th October

- Read some notes and did some research on the practicum including reading some papers and came up with some structure ideas for the proposal/project.

### 3rd October

- Read a paper and took notes in terms of structure and ideas for the project.

## 26th - 30th September

- Began researching three different project ideas.
- Read all papers that were in the project idea descriptions.
- Read extra papers to get a better idea of what the research in the area is like.
- Came up with some structure ideas for each of the projects.
- Decided which of the projects to email professors about.
- Emailed the professor and set up a repository.