

## A3 Group Reflection

<p><b>Pete Johnson</b></p>	<p>For Assignment 3, I believe we were able to pick up where we left off in Assignment 2 and grow together as a group. I think that particularly towards the end of this assignment, we came together as a team to achieve our outcomes. One complication I ran into while doing Assignment 3 was when I was using Microsoft Teams. I was still located on the chat screen for Assignment 2 for the first week and I was wondering why the group wasn't talking. This was until I found the chat area for Assignment 3 after a week or so and saw a lot of messages I had missed. This could be described as a communication breakdown on my part as I was not aware of the different screens on Microsoft Teams.</p> <p>What I have learned about working as a group, is that it helps to have different perspectives and opinions from people other than myself. I believe this helps to make sure that we have achieved all the goals in the project. I also think that our GitHub log of activity will accurately reflect our work as we have been getting better at using it while we have progressed through the semester and therefore, become more competent at using it.</p>
<p><b>Laura Lam</b></p>	<p>As a team, we worked incredibly well together for our second assignment and that same cohesiveness was evident throughout our progress of both Assignment 3 and 5. Our success stemmed from our constant communication and our determination to get the job done. At the start of our project, due to the mammoth task of completing the two assignments within the same deadline we weren't sure on how to delegate tasks and we could have improved upon that for the sake of efficiency. Despite that, we worked our way toward completion within a timely manner through teamwork and ended up with a product that everyone was happy with.</p> <p>It was fantastic to see our hard work pay off as evident by the mark we received for our second assignment, and the feedback we were given was also one thing that was surprising. We had a discussion of our feedback as a team and ensured to implement the specific improvements moving forward. In my time with working as a group, I've learned that pooling our knowledge and skills together allows everyone to tackle large and complicated tasks that could not normally be accomplished individually.</p>
<p><b>Alicia North</b></p>	<p>Another solid team effort! What an exceptional team, we have all worked outstanding well together and achieved our set tasks and goals, in a timely manner. The way our team communicates and collaborates is a true reflection of our abilities, and our impressive result for A2. Our team's enthusiasm and energy has again been strong in A3.</p> <p>A small future improvement would be to keep consistency with meeting times, a slight change in meeting time was a very minor issue for a few members, but as a team were able to work around and negotiate a resolution.</p> <p>Surprisingly, our group work was a lot of fun and all members seemed to display the same positive energy in our group meetings.</p> <p>No matter the challenge, I have learnt that working successfully as a team and sharing responsibilities, is ultimately a very rewarding process.</p>

<b>Sabina Maharjan</b>	<p>Team collaboration and support to each other is the biggest strength of our group. Everyone was interactive in team meeting and through chat messages. We all shared ideas and discussed openly about task that required more attention and resolve issues to achieve our goal in timely manner.</p> <p>After reading assignment 2 group reflection, I was surprised that majority had same concern about early meeting and focusing on major aspect of assignment early to avoid delay and workload at the end of due date. I was very pleased that we have taken that feedback on board and arranged early meeting and assigned task efficiently and it reflects on GitHub log of activity.</p> <p>Something that could have been better this time was to provide reasonable time before rescheduling meeting for the day. There have been few instances where meeting was rescheduled and absent for the meeting. For me working as a group, I have learnt to be focused, committed and confident and to accomplish goal successfully.</p>
<b>Scott Gaskin</b>	<p>The team has gone from strength to strength to get this assignment done. We have built on the success if assignment two and have put in an amazing effort with the massive workload of the pending assignments due.</p> <p>Teamwork has been the best element for success of this project. I have really enjoyed the fact we can focus on getting the work done but, have always found time to have some fun / laughs during out team calls.</p> <p>Getting toward the end of this unit and moving on toward my next couple of units, I really could not have worked with a better team. The supportive and engaging nature of all members has been the best thing, if someone needed help there was always help on hand.</p> <p>The team's strengths have really come out and I feel we have really excelled in this assignment. Great communication from all and have ironed any issues out from assignment 2 with clear processes.</p> <p>I always ask myself a question at the end of a group assignment: Would I work with this team again? There is a simple answer to this and it's a big YES..</p>
<b>Symeon Despinidis</b>	<p>Once again, I am very happy with the work ethic of our team and I believe everyone stepped up and put in a great amount of effort. This time around, we started allocated tasks as early as we could, and this helped stay on track much more easily and see the progress in real time. It also allowed us more time to polish and refine aspects of the assignment as we were not rushing to get it all done towards the end.</p> <p>The only thing I can think of to improve on as a group would be to have set dates/times for our meetings, as sometimes they fluctuated due to availability, but this was not a major issue as we still completed all the tasks and caught up if we missed out on the meeting.</p> <p>I am surprised that all members of the team remained focused and vigilant throughout the whole assignment process. The team we have is a great combination of skills and personality types and it allowed us to remain focus and produce work to a high standard. Similar to assignment 2, the use of GitHub and Microsoft Teams greatly enhanced our ability to communicate and collaborate together, regardless of physical location or availability.</p> <p>From this assignment I have learnt that group work is about persistent effort and starting the workload as soon as possible. I have thoroughly enjoyed spending all the time working with my team and I believe everyone has a great work ethic as an individual, and as a team too.</p>

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Team Reflection

As a group we all believe and feel that the was overall ***another*** positive group experience.  
In regard to each team member's own reflection, we can see that there are some trends in our opinions.

**What went well?**

- Members have identified that we have successfully been able to take on board our previous feedback and actively work towards achieving desired outcomes. Communication appears to be a team strength we have all identified and should be commended on.
- Team collaboration and assignment of tasks worked extremely well as we have successfully been able to complete all components of the assessment.

**What could have been improved?**

- Going forward our group has learnt from this experience that it is better to start earlier, especially with large projects like this assignment as it is easy to underestimate the amount of work and time it takes to complete tasks.
- Having consistency with meeting times was also another possible team improvement we could make in the future.

**At least one thing that was surprising?**

- As a group we were all really quite surprised that we worked so well together, and that we were able to retain our energy and focus through the duration of the multiple assignments.
- How well Microsoft teams worked. It has been a great tool and much easier than Discord, WhatsApp or even using canvas.

**At least one thing that you have learnt about groups?**

- Our biggest lesson learnt from this group experience is that persistence and having a great work ethic makes for enjoyable and rewarding team experiences. We learnt to use feedback and constructively work with it to make improvements going forward.
- Been organized and starting early has been the key to our success. We formed this group a week earlier than required and this gave us a major advantage in getting started.