# News Aggregator with Python and Machine Learning 1st Audit

Client: Thomas Griffith

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# Background



## **News Channel Problem:**

- Traditional Media Recession
- New Media Fragmentisation & Vulgar

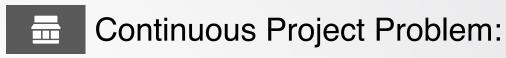
Difficult to get high-value news efficiently



## Solution:

- A News Aggregator Focusing on High-Value News
- Using Web Crawler and Machine Learning Tools

http://gpu.jkl.io:5000/



- Vague User Scope
- Rely on Algorithm, difficult to estimate user satisfaction
- Insufficient news channels
- Existing Code Bugs
  - Bad BERT Results
  - Crawler Stops Occasionally
  - Only 1 news source could be stored in data base

Solution??

# Client's Expectation & Requirements



#### More Canberra Focused:

- More Extraction Work on Canberra Based News Channels
- Improve Algorithm for Canberra residents



# **User Surveys:**

- Conduct 2-3 User Surveys
- Improve our work according to user feedback



Improve Web UI

# Stakeholders

#### Client: Thomas Griffith



Provide: development resources

- server, web frame, data, etc Expect:
- A Canberra Focused, operable news website
- 2-3 User Survey Reports

#### **Team Members**



#### Provide:

- Time and effort
- Expect:
- Improve code skills
- Improve teamwork skills
- Get good marks

## Provide:

- Time to use the website
- Time to do user survey

### Expect:

A efficient website for getting high-value news





## **Resources & Costs**



#### Resources:

- Kosmos Dataset (news dataset including more than 300,000 articles)
- GPU servers (used for training machine learning model)
- The code source and products from last semester's work
- The Bootstrap or other frames for web development
- Some Canberra focused news websites.



#### Costs:

Development related costs will be solved by our client.



#### Risks:

- Fail to achieve the expected accuracy and efficiency.
- Fail to achieve final integrate of different work groups.
- Timeouts for debugging and final deliverable.
- The risk of potential dissatisfaction from the users
- The risk of failing to respond to the feedback from the user survey



## Risk Management:

- Review work every 2 weeks. If any progress is falling behind, try: switch methods/ add workload/ adjust team structure...
- Conduct first user survey early (week 5), so we can have sufficient time to response to survey results.
- Communicate with client and tutors timely.

# **Tools & Constrains**

## **Development Tools**



Github



Google Doc





Flask



Bootstrap





Gensim



Keras



Pytorch



**Tensorflow** 

#### **Communication Tools**



Slack With Client



WeChat With Team members

- In-Person Client Meeting every 2 weeks.
- Online Client Meeting all other weeks.
- Team Meeting whenever necessary.

## **Process Management Tool**



https://trello.com/b/vxJ6hSCv/news-aggregator-sem2

Trello

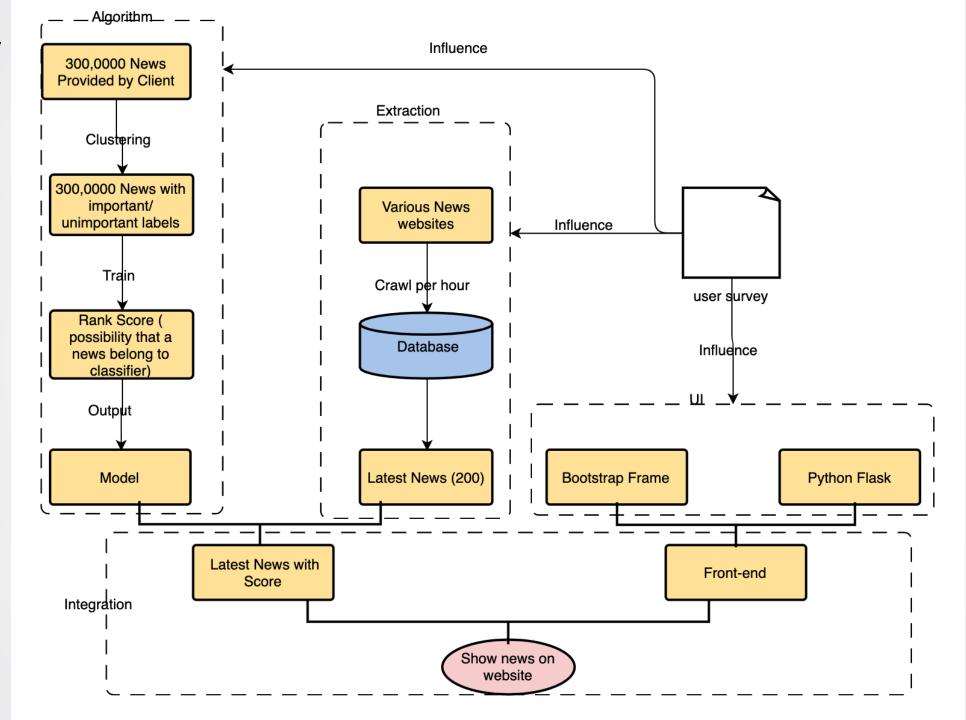
# Teamwork

Name	uid	Technical Role	Progress Management Role
Jiahua Liang	u6162679	UI & User	Spokesperson 1
Luokun Gong	u5917339		Minutes Taker
Xiangyun Kong	u6556183		Progress Tracker
Yulinag Zhang	u6782445	Extraction & Algorithm	Spokesperson 2
Vishnu Vardhan Jasti	u6611697		Clerical Assistant
Jun Yang	u6767560		Clerical Assistant
Chen Zhang	u6745297		Progress Tracker

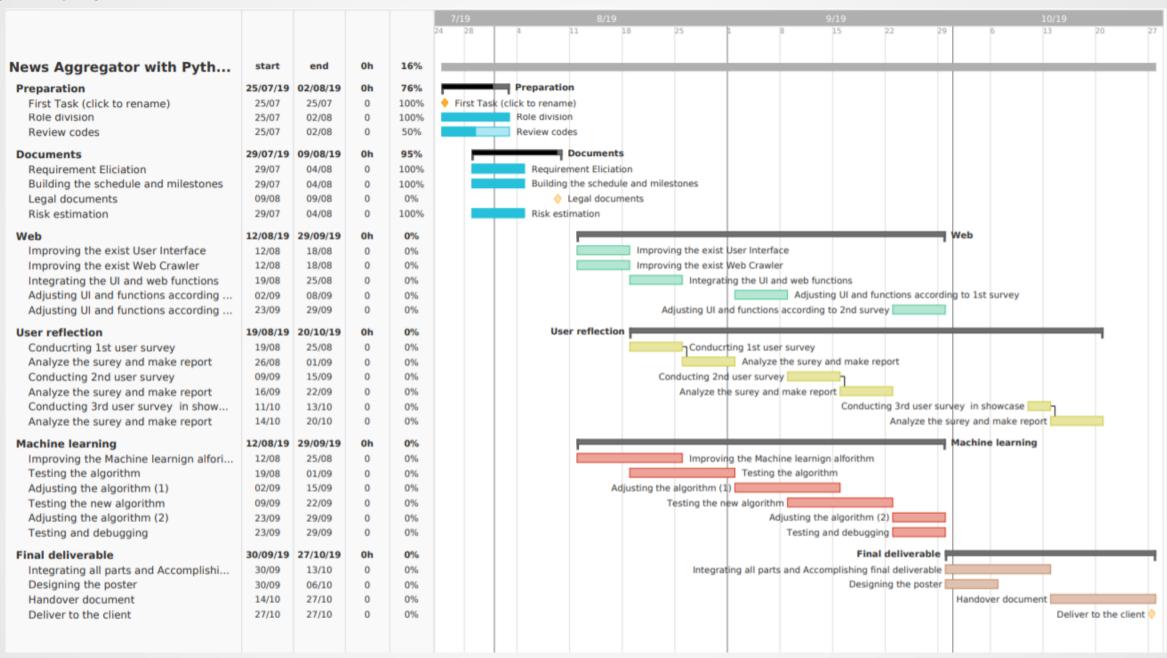
# Schedule

Week 1-2	<ul><li>Form Team</li><li>Divide Roles</li><li>Set up development environment</li></ul>	Week 7-8	<ul><li>Second user survey</li><li>Reflect to user survey results</li></ul>
Week 3-4	<ul><li>Improve extraction work</li><li>Improve algorithm</li><li>Improve UI</li></ul>	Week 9-10	<ul><li>Poster</li><li>Final deliverable</li><li>Showcase (3rd user survey)</li></ul>
Week 5-6	<ul><li>First user survey</li><li>Reflect to user survey results</li></ul>	Week 11-12	<ul><li>Handover documents</li><li>Report to client</li></ul>

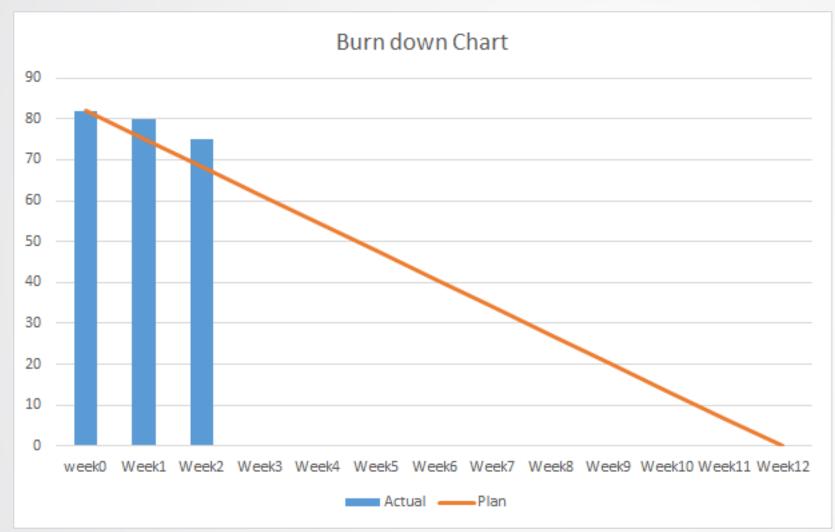
Workflow



## Gantt chart



# **Burndown Chart**



The Burndown Chart is calculated according to our Trello record:

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# User Story Map

Recommending	Searching	Browse website		Rating	
Sorting news	Search the news	Browse the Global news and Canberra news	Select the news	Important or unimportant	Commenting
★ MVP      ◆ 7 LEF	T OF 7 CARDS				
Sorting news by importance	Search by key words	Browse the recommended Canberra news list	Select the news and jump to the original site	Click the button of importance or unimportance	Commenting with texts
TODO	TODO	Browse the recommended global news list	TODO	торо	TODO
		торо			
★ Release 2      ◆	3 LEFT OF 3 CARDS				
Sorting news by catalog	Search by contents				Commenting with emotic icons
TODO	TODO				TODO

# User Story Point Matrix

Story points	User story
5	<ul> <li>As a visitor, I would like to select the news so that I can read its details on its original site.</li> <li>As a visitor, I would like to click the buttons of important and unimportant so that I can give feedback on the news</li> </ul>
10	<ul> <li>As a visitor, I would like to browse the Canberra news list, so that, I can know the events happening in Canberra. that more likely to be related to me.</li> <li>As a visitor, I would like to browse the world news, so that I can know the important events happening in the world.</li> <li>As a visitor, I would like to write texts to comment on the news, so that I can describe my feeling about the news more specifically.</li> </ul>
15	<ul> <li>As a visitor, I would like to search the specified news by keywords, so that I do not need to waste time</li> <li>to scroll down the news list to find the news.</li> </ul>
30	<ul> <li>As a visitor, I would like to only read the most important news at the top of their lists, so that I can avoid wasting time on looking for the most important news.</li> </ul>

