

2025-09-08 Meeting Agenda

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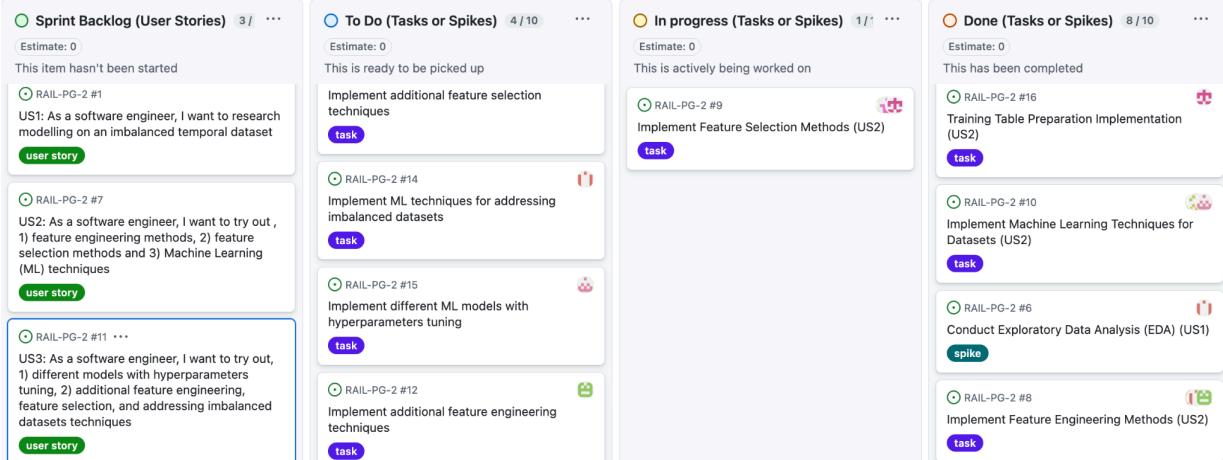
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Goals

- Github backlog overview
- Report progress
- Submission results
- Blockers
- Next steps
- QA

Discussion topics

1. GitHub backlog overview



The GitHub backlog is organized into four main columns:

- Sprint Backlog (User Stories):** Contains three items: US1, US2, and US3. US1 is described as "As a software engineer, I want to research modelling on an imbalanced temporal dataset". US2 is described as "As a software engineer, I want to try out 1) feature engineering methods, 2) feature selection methods and 3) Machine Learning (ML) techniques". US3 is described as "As a software engineer, I want to try out, 1) different models with hyperparameters tuning, 2) additional feature engineering, feature selection, and addressing imbalanced datasets techniques".
- To Do (Tasks or Spikes):** Contains four items: RAIL-PG-2 #1, RAIL-PG-2 #14, RAIL-PG-2 #15, and RAIL-PG-2 #12. RAIL-PG-2 #1 is described as "Implement additional feature selection techniques". RAIL-PG-2 #14 is described as "Implement ML techniques for addressing imbalanced datasets". RAIL-PG-2 #15 is described as "Implement different ML models with hyperparameters tuning". RAIL-PG-2 #12 is described as "Implement additional feature engineering techniques".
- In progress (Tasks or Spikes):** Contains two items: RAIL-PG-2 #9 and RAIL-PG-2 #10. RAIL-PG-2 #9 is described as "Implement Feature Selection Methods (US2)". RAIL-PG-2 #10 is described as "Implement Machine Learning Techniques for Datasets (US2)".
- Done (Tasks or Spikes):** Contains three items: RAIL-PG-2 #8, RAIL-PG-2 #10, and RAIL-PG-2 #11. RAIL-PG-2 #8 is described as "Training Table Preparation Implementation (US2)". RAIL-PG-2 #10 is described as "Conduct Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) (US1)". RAIL-PG-2 #11 is described as "Implement Feature Engineering Methods (US2)".

2. Report progress

2.1 EDA

- Apply visualization techniques (e.g heatmap, histogram, scatter plot, and time series plot) to analyze data

2.2 Feature selection

- Joining and integrating trainingcontext, wagondata, and tonnagedata table into a unified total_training_table
- Preprocessing the total training table
- Implement a basic version of the Transformer model with Group Lasso and REF using LightGBM, conducting comparative testing to evaluate their performance.

2.3 Feature engineering

- Sensor features and threshold design
- Baseline features, fourier transform, and trend features

2.4 ML model training

- Training SVM, DNN, and transformer models and submit

2.5 Build production line

3. Submission results

- Transformer

53fb232c	RAIL-PG-2	Completed	16 hours ago	68bae9b17021.csv	Competition 1 - Legolas	★ Accuracy: 66.53%, AUC_PR: 40.24%, F1_Score: 14.97%
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- DNN

3d12fb91	RAIL-PG-2	Completed	2 days ago	68b832e14464.csv	Competition 1 - Legolas	Accuracy: 65.16%, AUC_PR: 36.33%, F1_Score: 18.27%
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- **SVM**

4eeac20f	RAIL-PG-2	Completed	2 days ago	68b838b91784.csv	Competition 1 - Legolas	Accuracy: 43.37%, AUC_PR: 61.49%, F1_Score: 51.88%
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4. Blockers

- **Data availability:** At the beginning of the sprint 2, no datasets were provided. Therefore, we started to implement this project a little late.
- **Limited training time:** Team members need time to select features, preprocessing data, and create training tables for training models. Therefore, time for building and training model was quite limited.
- **Unstable platform runtime:** After submitting notebooks, the runtime duration on the IF platform was unstable. For example, sometimes the execution took half an hour, while other times it finished within 4 minutes. The instability increases uncertainty for model training and inference creation.

5. Next steps

Goal: In the sprint 3, we will improve models overall performance and achieve an F1 score over 55%.

- Implement at least 2 methods of feature engineering, feature selection, and handling imbalance datasets.
- Tuning hyperparameters of 3 models, feature selection, feature engineering, and imbalanced dataset handling technique.

6. QA

Q: For addressing imbalanced datasets, do we need to create a balanced table by preprocessing techniques, or can we directly apply handling imbalanced datasets techniques when training model (e.g. class weights)?