ITI8740/ITX8522: Software Development Team Project. 2024

02. Team Formation

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Today's Agenda

- 1. Presenting the ideas
- 2. Team formation
- 3. Next steps

When speaking publicly:

- Do not worry and be yourself
- Use simple words (no jargon)
- Look in the eyes of people, smile and be positive
- Use your body, tone of voice & pauses for emphasis
- Be rather loud and not forget to breathe
- Do not worry and be yourself (even if something goes wrong)

Just practice a bit - easy!

You have the structure

- 1. Say Hello, say your name.
- 2. What's the problem?
- 3. What's the solution?
- 4. The special sauce.
- 5. Is there money to be made?
- 6. Say thank you and smile while listening for the applause :)

Let's listen to the ideas

Think and discuss.

Team Formation.

For Each Team

- Minimum 4 people
- Maximum 6 people
- Decide what you want to do

Divide Up Roles & Responsibilities

- Developers:
 - Backend
 - Frontend
- Project Manager
- (Analyst?)
- (Public face? / Sales rep?)

Kick-off

Start with kick off meeting

- Share the team contacts
- Agree on workflow (see next slide)
- Decide on the project
- Make sure everyone understands the outcomes
- Decide on realistic scope

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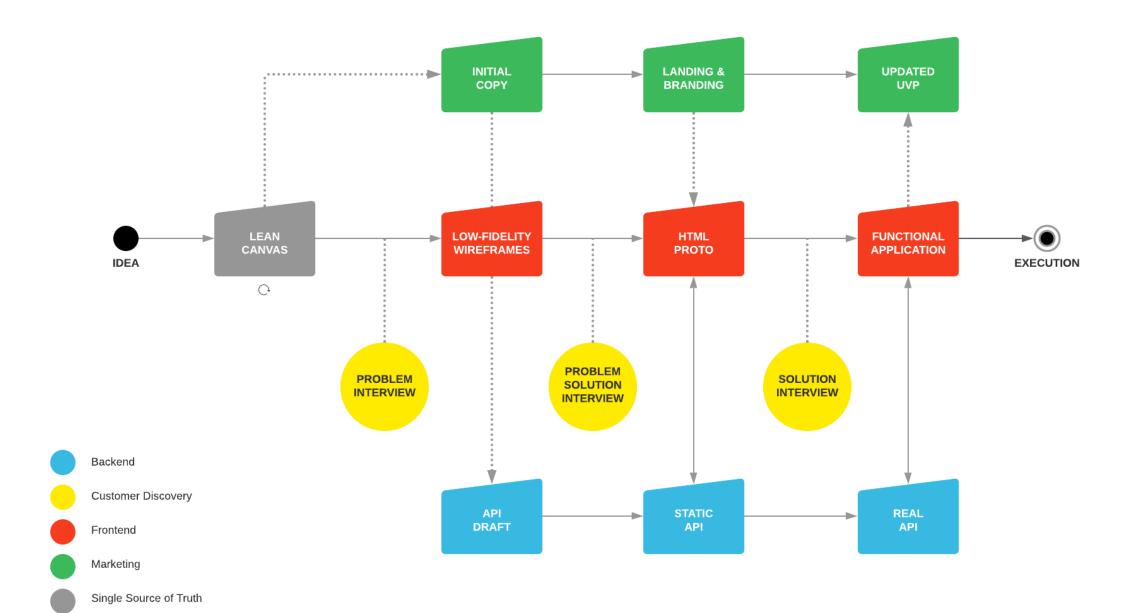
- Divide tasks (volunteer basis)
- Start the development cycle

Project Agreements: Checklist

- Internal Communications Channel: Teams? Slack?
- Method: Kanban or something else
- Working days: when, where and how both individual and with team. The total contribution for every team member should be 19hrs per week and tracebale via issue tracker
- Team meetings: when, where and how?
- Stand-ups: when, where and how?
- Retrospectives: When and how?
- Sprints: when and how?

For the Next Session

- Have a kick-off meeting amongst team and decide on the project you want build.
- Create project at Gitlab: https://gitlab.cs.ttu.ee/. Name the project as ITI8740_24_<team_name> .
- Join the course Team Channel if you have not done so. See: https://courses.cs.ttu.ee/pages/ITI8740
- Create initial project wiki with the minimal of:
 - List of team members and roles. Decide on team lead
 - Initial idea description (max 0.5 A4)
 - A page with initial general project agreements
- Set up issue tracker on Gitlab
- Read Chapter 1 from "Running Lean" book



Some more tips on teamwork.

Reading Materials

- Lean Validation Playbook: https://guides.co/g/the-lean-validation-playbook/60783
- Startup Playbook https://playbook.samaltman.com/
- Thoughtbot Playbook https://thoughtbot.com/playbook
- Meta Principles I Learned from Running Lean. https://medium.com/leanstack/meta-principles-i-learned-from-running-lean-28df02489265

Thank you!

If No Ideas are found

- Choose a group leader
- Map out the ideas in the group (very quickly)
- Spend with each idea 15-20 min answering mentioned 5 questions from week 1 slides
- Somebody has to take notes on the answers.
- Choose 3-5 ideas to present.