Being more specific with asking feedback

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During the third review of my portfolio, I got told I should be more specific with the feedback that I ask when I go to get feedback. So last Thursday (June 19th, 2023) I went to Jan to ask some specific feedback on my portfolio because it was the last day any teacher would be available for it. Jan also so happens to be my assessor, so asking him for feedback would be really useful.

Context

I wanted to know a few things about my portfolio, see what Jan thinks of it and also ask him what I should prioritize. I had created a list of things to do, but it was a lot. I also wanted to know more about other things like usage of CMD methods and the DOT-framework. Because I was told it would be quite important this semester. I also got told I mentioned them well, but I wasn't aware of any times where I actively used or mentioned them. Lastly, I wanted to know how to best apply the feedback I got on LO 3. I had already discussed this with him to ask about what it means because it was quite unclear to me at first.

Questions

I came to him with these following questions:

- How important is it to note down the CMD methods and how extensively should I do it? Do I only need to name them or is only mentioning the method I used enough?
- How could I apply the feedback i got from lo 3, that being that I have to be more specific with asking feedback, to my already existing proofs? If not, how would I apply it?
- I made a list of things to do, which ones do you think, based on the current state of my portfolio, require the most attention?

Feedback

Here's a screenshot of the feedpulse I wrote:

Today i went to jan to show my portfolio and ask a few specific questions. I wanted to show my current portfolio progress, the website itself, as well as a list of things to do i had made.

First i showed Jan my website and he was happy to see that the website was up and running. I went through all the pages, showed what still had to be built (so that i don't get a comment about it again after my assessment).

I asked him a few questions as well that i had written down before hand. The first of these questions was: how could i best apply the feedback that I got on lo 3 during my last assessment?

We came up with a solution on the spot, saying that i should write about this conversation and add it. I could also improve current existing proofs if there's more to them.

the second question was about my to-do list and I asked him which ones i should prioritize writing about. Jan told me I should write first about the problems in the group, because there's definitely a lot to reflect on. also a lot of lessons learnt. The other things I should write about are a SWOT analysis for myself because again, I learnt a lot this semester and this is a great way to put on paper what I have learnt and where I could still improve.
Lastly he told me to put the project in LO 1 especially the concept and just write more about it in general. Currently a lot of project work isn't in the portfolio and I will get to hear back from that if I don't add more. I did a lot this semester, so I should write about it.
He also told me to write about the feedback I got today from him. It's a great way to add the feedback I got on lo 3 last time because again, it is very specific questions that I asked.

My last question was about the DOT-framework. I asked how extensively I should document it. Jan mentioned that I need to be more intentional with them with each passing semester because verifying your research is a lot easier with a list of methods. And in an internship, I need to verify my research methods.
He said I should write a document about my usages of different methods in different times during the semester and put it in LO 4.

The feedback that I received today was really helpful. I know a lot better now what I should prioritize in these final 4 days of documenting. I have a lot of work to do still but I'm sure I'll make it.
I think overall this semester I should've asked for more feedback like this because it really helps a lot and points out where your strengths and weaknesses lie.
Going forward, I will work on writing those documents I mentioned earlier as well as getting as much of my to-do list done. I won't be putting finishing the website on the absolute to-do list but i will definitely try my best to finish it.

Implementation

So firstly, this document is a direct implementation of the feedback I got on my question about LO 3. I needed to be more specific about the feedback I asked, and I showed that here. Maybe these iterations aren't 'creative iterations' but they're iterations nonetheless. I'll show you the changes I made to both my documentation and my workflow.

To-do list

I had made a to-do list for all the things I should add. Before this talk with Jan, the list looked like this:

- Write about sprints/scrum usage
- Write about group problems
- Write a bit about job opportunities for front-end development
- Write a swot analysis
- Make a small scene in blender (with the things I've learned so far)
- Write about testing paper prototype and results
- Write about presentation at Animecon
- Write reflection about making game
- Make portfolio project pages
- Make portfolio about me page
- User test portfolio

Changes

I made a priority list (essentially a MoSCoW) which looks like this now:

MUST DO

- Write about scrum usage
- Write about group problems
- Write a swot analysis
- Write about testing paper prototype
- Make something with an iteration and be specific with feedback (this document)
- Write about June 19th feedback from Jan (this document)
- Write about paper prototype building and testing

SHOULD DO

- User test portfolio
- Presentation Animecon
- Write reflection about building game

COULD DO

- Make portfolio project pages
- Make portfolio about me page
- Write about job opportunities front-end development
- Make a small scene in blender with the things I've learned so far

Writing about cmd methods

I'll be writing a document about which CMD methods I used this semester and when. I won't be going into massive detail on how exactly we implemented it but I'll explain how I used them.

Reflection

This feedback was really useful to me, and I think I should've been asking more of this specific feedback earlier in the semester. I always just ask the teachers to give me feedback but asking for targeted feedback gets you way further.
I had one more question, but I forgot to ask it during the talk sadly. It was about which LOs I should prioritize. I don't think I would've gotten a direct answer on that because that would be asking for an early grade.

Next semester I'll be more proactive with asking with feedback throughout the semester and also be more specific with said feedback. I'll also be writing more documentation earlier in the semester instead of this late into it. I always do this at the end of the semester instead of during the semester.