



Team Rocket

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beyond reach

5. Milestone
Playtesting



Test Setup

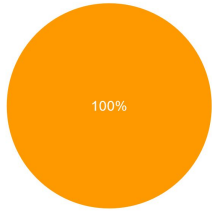
- Steam Dev Build
- Discord Screenshare (majority)
- Personal Session
- Participants played on own Hardware



Who was Tested?

Please select your age group:

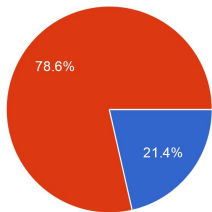
14 responses



- Younger than 15
- 15 - 20
- 21 - 30
- 31 - 45
- 46 - 65
- Older than 65

Please select your gender:

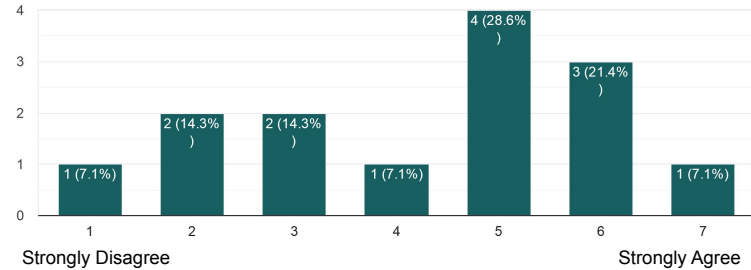
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- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to say

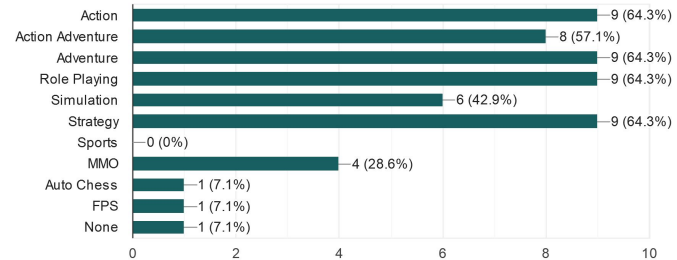
I love to play strategy games in my free time.

14 responses



Please select all game genres you enjoy playing in your free time:

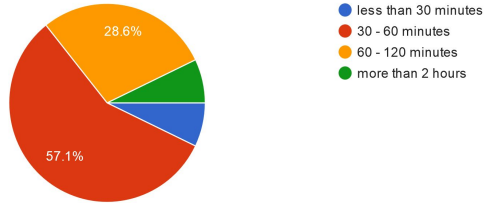
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General Experience

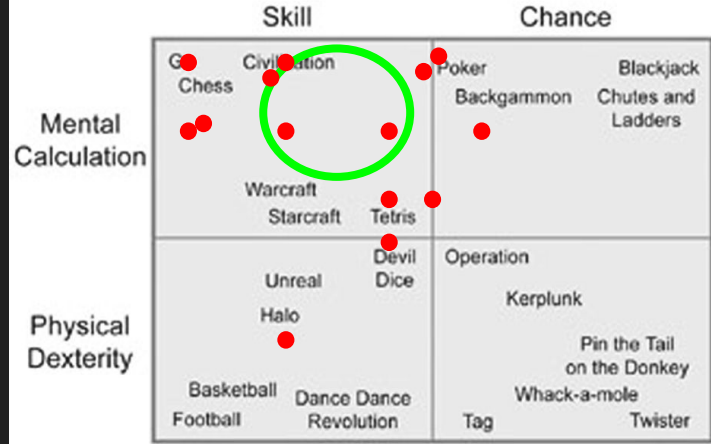
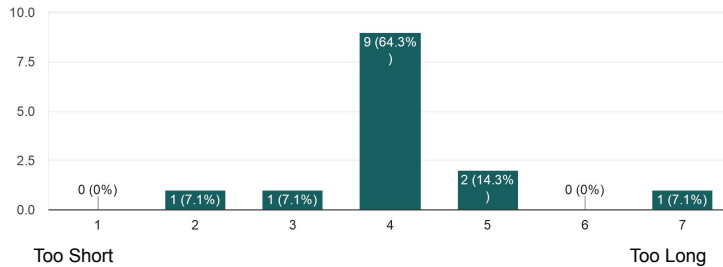
How long did you play-test the game?

14 responses



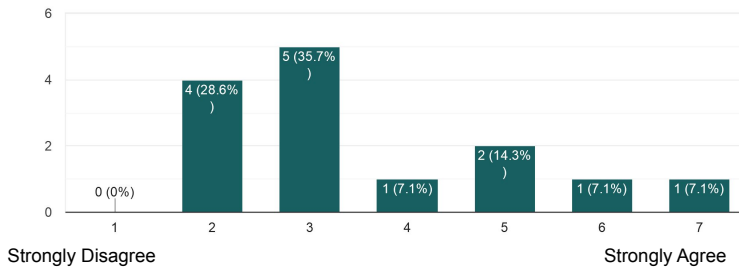
How long did the game feel?

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I found the game very frustrating to play.

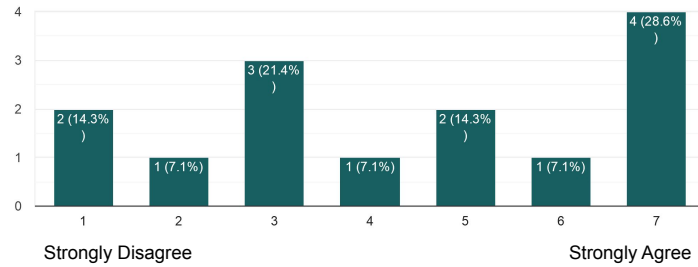
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Gameplay Loop

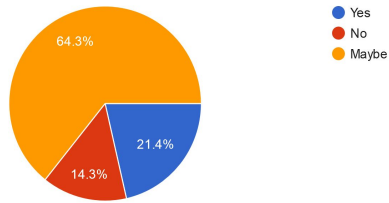
I found the objective clear at all times.

14 responses



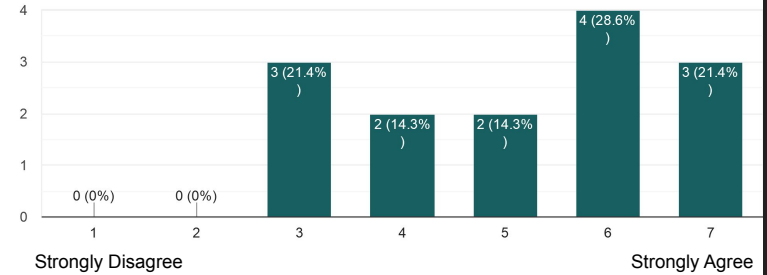
Did you get stuck during any parts of the playtest?

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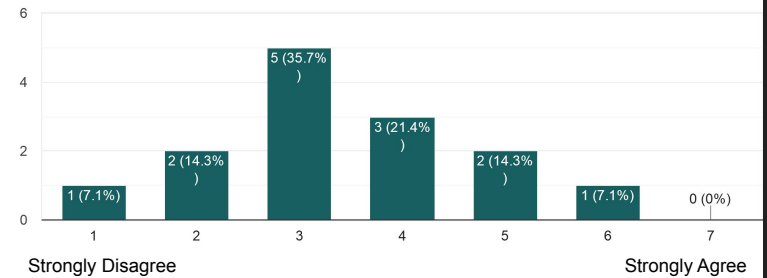
I found the rules of Beyond Reach very logical and easy to follow.

14 responses



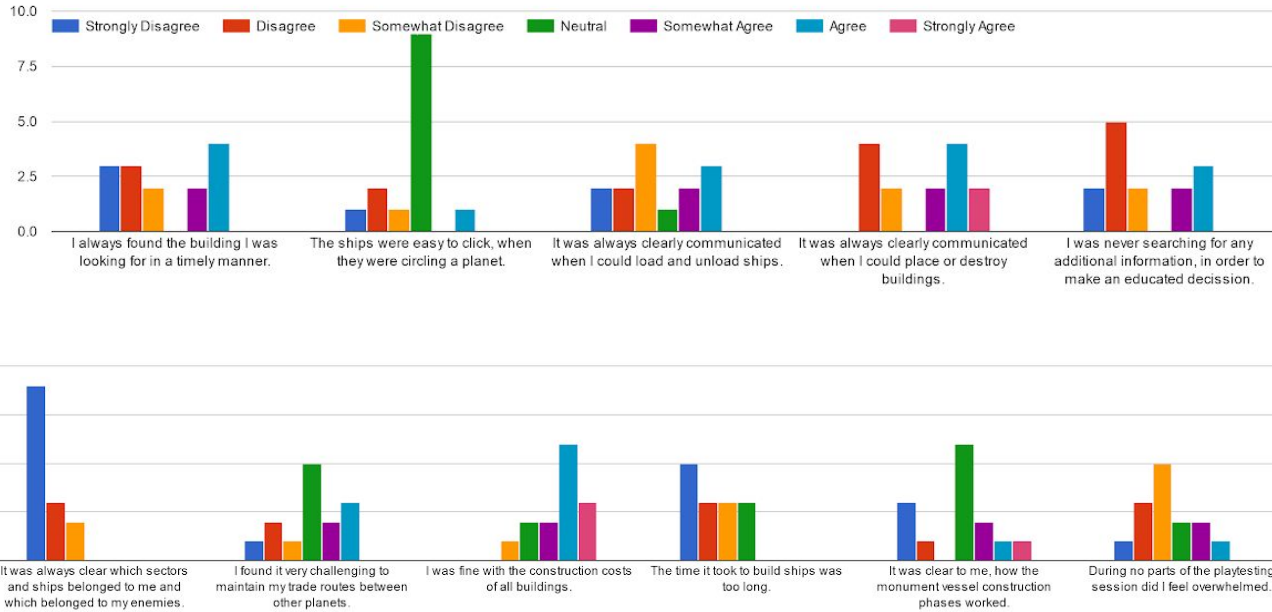
I found the tutorial very helpful and it appeared always at the right time.

14 responses



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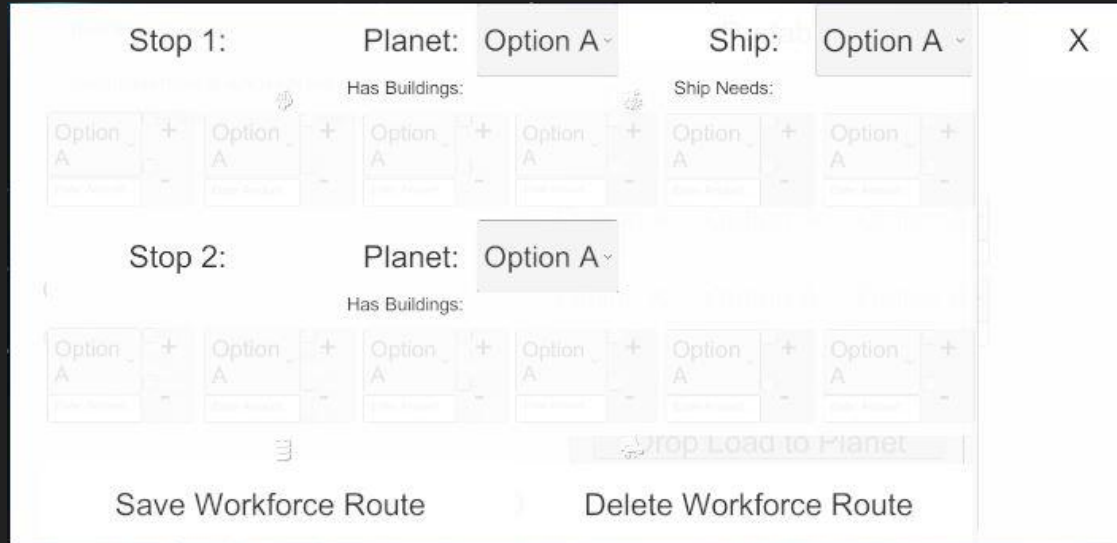
Questions regarding gameplay



Gameplay Loop Changes

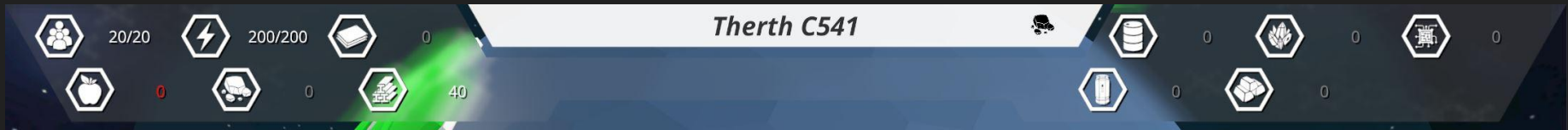
- Tutorial System
 - Switch to Task Based Style
- Resource Updates
 - Construction Cost Refunds
 - Avoid Deadlocks
 - Pause Production
- Time Scaling (Faster Game Speed)
- Renaming of some Resources, Buildings and Ships

UI - Placeholder



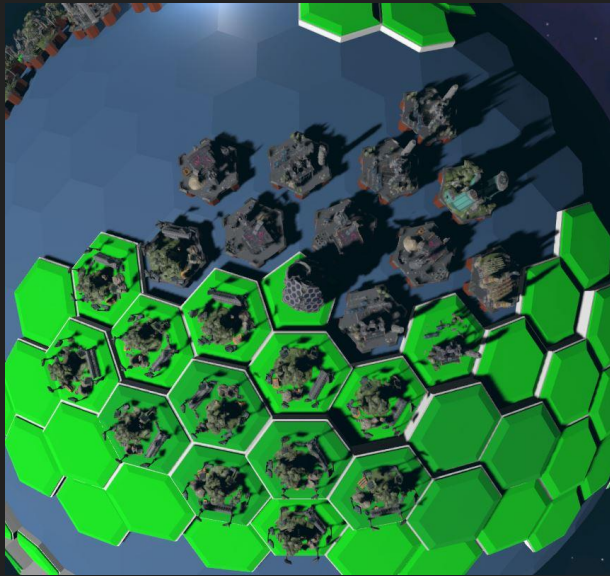
- Replace placeholder UI with polished UI

UI - Additional Information



- Expose additional Information:
 - Resource Stats
 - Information on missing resources
 - ...

UI - World Space UI Update



- Sector borders, Sector center locations, Faction indicator

UI - Space View

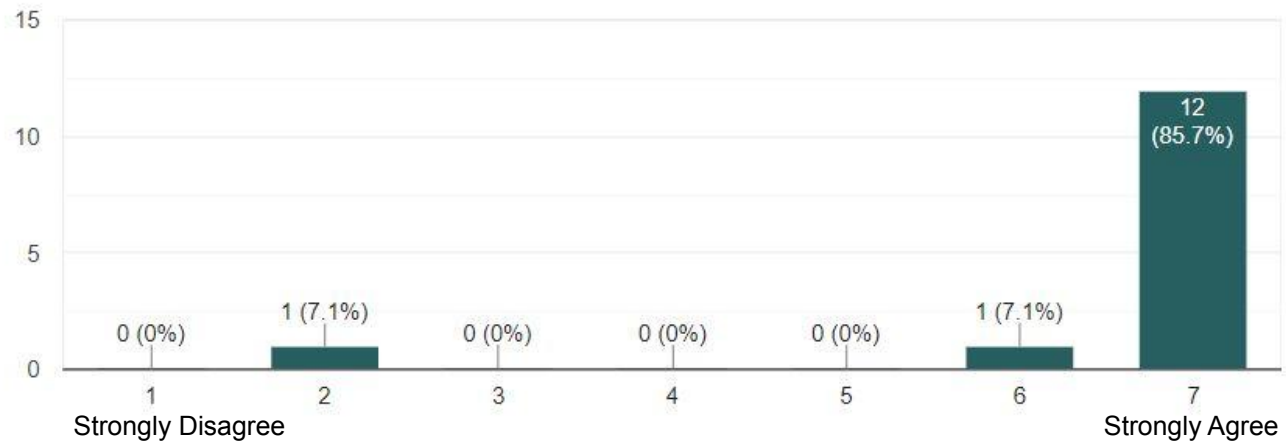


- Space view updates: Ship routes & locations

Performance

The performance of the game was very smooth during my play-test and I had no frame stuttering or other issues.

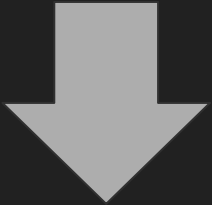
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AI

Reactions :

- To fast at early game
- To slow in late game
- Lack of interaction

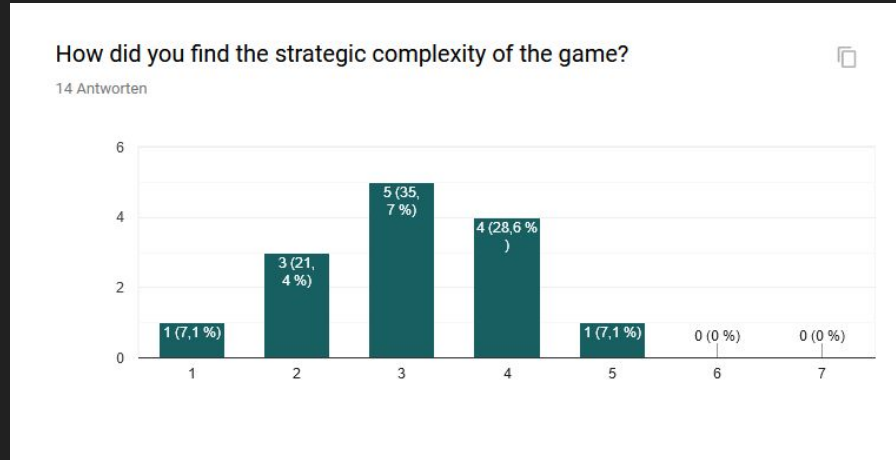


-> Polish AI behaviour(s!) with wait times and difficulty settings.



Difficulty

- strategic complexity quite promising for an early stage
- overall no strong unfairness



To easy <-----> To Difficult

Improvements suggestions:

- Cargo transfer
- Exploration

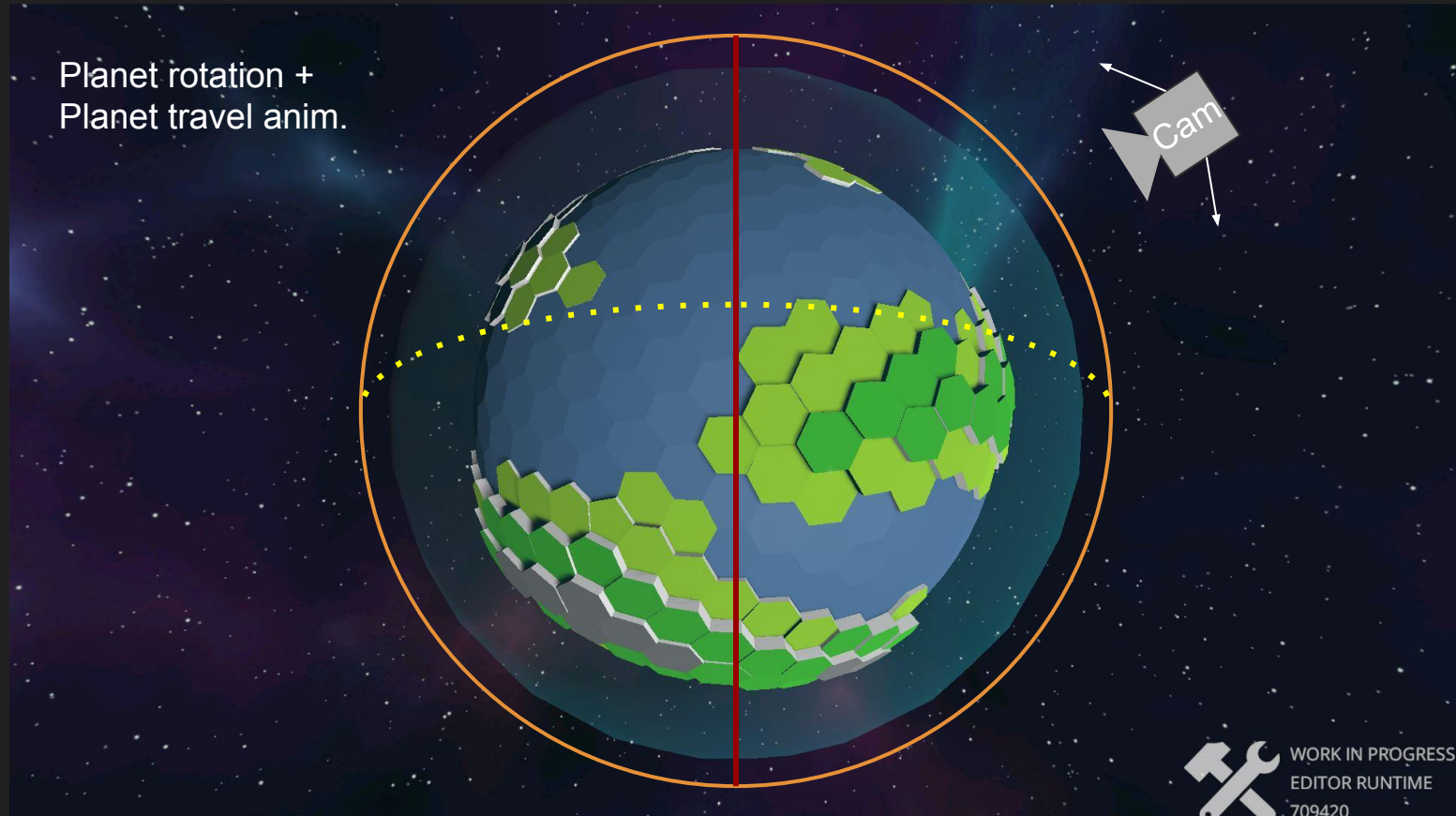


Strongly Disagree Disagree Somewhat Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Agree Strongly Agree

Controls and Input

- Feedback:
 - Controls rather intuitive
 - Very easy to remember
 - Sometimes awkward





PHASE	TARGET CODE	DEV					DETAILS	Q3						
		Functional Minimum	Low Target	Desirable Target	High Target	Extras		24	1	8	15			
PROJECT WEEK:								24	1	8	15			
1	Game Design						Everyone	- Deliverables	Report Presentation	Report Presentation Video	Completed Game			
							Everyone	- Playtest	Playtesting DT	Playtest Session	Playtesting	Playtesting		
							Everyone	- Components	Create Questionary Playtest Scenario	Feedback Analysis				
2	Modelling						Jan, Maxi	- Base Models	Polishing	Add Powerplant	Add More Emission			
							Alex	- Tile Models	Polishing					
							Alex	- Special Effects	Visual Effects	Polishing	Polishing	Add Sector Highlight	Polishing	
							Jan, Maxi	- Moving Models	Polishing					
3	Scripting						Jan, Maxi	- Gameplay	Adjust Gameplay	Gameplay polishing	Apply Feedback to Game	Polishing		
							Lukas	- Artificial Intelligence	Fine-Tune DT AI	AI Polishing	Strategic Variation for AI	Strategic Variation for AI	Strategic Variation for AI	
							Alex	- Planet Generation	Polishing	Different Terrain	Different Terrain			
							Jan, Maxi	- Game Systems	Polishing					
							Alex	- Tools						
							Everyone	- Bugfixing & Polishing	DT Bug Fixing	General Polishing	Bug Fixing	Bug fixing	Bug fixing	Bug fixing
							Alex	- Render Backend	Visual Enhancements	Visual Enhancements	Polishing	Polishing		
4	Rendering						Alex	- Tech Art	Visual Polishing	Polishing	Fancy Visuals	Fancy Visuals		
							Alex	- Shaders	Visual Polishing	Polishing				
5	UI						Alex	- Menus	Advanced Tutorial	Advanced Tutorial	Add Task List	Finish Menus		
							Alex	- In-Game	Fancy In-Game UI	Fancy In-Game UI	Fancy In-Game UI	Fancy In-Game UI		
							Alex	- HUD	UI Polishing	Polishing	Add Space Overview for Ships and Trade Routes	Mouse Hover for Resources and Buildings		
6	Sound						Maxi	- Effects	Sound Effects	Sound Effects	Polishing	Polishing		
							Maxi	- Soundtrack	Sound Polishing	Polishing				
								Playtesting Milestone		Final Release Milestone				



Questions?

End