

Fundamentals of Software Engineering

Week 2 Lab Exercise: Ethical and Professional Issues/Starting your assignment.

Task 1

The following BBC news article <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-34324772> discusses some aspects of the recent emissions scandal that has affected the German car makers Volkswagen.

Read through this article and any other related articles on the BBC web site.

Produce a short report outlining what the problem is and what the ethical issues that a software engineer employed by Volkswagen or one of its suppliers may have faced either when developing the “flawed” software or when it was released into production. Your report should be in the region of 1000 -1250 words.

Spend around an hour on this task.

Task 2

If you have not read the coursework assignment yet do so now. The coursework is available in the assignments area for this module on GCULearn.

NOTE You are required to work on your assignment outside of the lab sessions.