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Good Afternoon, Colleagues

Are there any questions?

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Class Discussion

Will Rogers on BDI

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Electric Elves: Human Org. Support

- Proxy agents for meeting scheduling
- Activities within an individual research project
- Meeting planning with participants outside the organization

Challenges

- Adjustable autonomy
- Reliable information access
- Capability matching
- Agent coordination
- Scaling up to continual, reliable usability

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