

## Report for the Unit EE30241.

At submission (including the code) a report containing the description, explanation and reflection on the different exercises is required (max 3 pages per exercise, including pictures and references).

Each exercise “chapter” will have a structure as follows:

- Introduction including a description of the task
- Solution explanation: which include a description of the code (only a few lines can be used when relevant for discussion) screen shots, data if any – hint: for example, in ex1 description of the protocol (commands, parser etc...)
- Conclusion: which includes reflection on the specific exercise and what could have been improved, what went wrong and what was good.

Keep a logbook to help in writing the report at the end of the unit.

### Exercise 1 – EE30241

This exercise is part of the marked coursework. The Report part of the Coursework will contain the reflection and description as described above.

(#1) Using C++, or Python write a program that acts as processing unit (a simple calculator).

(#2) Using a second program (C# advised if you decide to use a GUI or other similar) write a “requester” program (e.g. an interface)

These two programs will send/receive messages to request of calculations (#2) and respond with results (#1).

The communication will see the processing unit (#1) being the Server and (#2) an User Interface (e.g. GUI) as the Client receiving the user input and requesting computation from (#1).

Use sockets to establish communication and design a suitable protocol.

Ideal steps Ex1:

- A) Create a server that can handle at least a client.
- B) The server will function as calculator (operations min: = + - \* / ^ sqrt).
- C) Implement a client using C# (or Python) that can receive commands from a user.
- D) Receive and send commands (you will need to create your own protocol and/or parser to decode the strings)
- E) Use the GUI process to send commands to the “calculator process”.
- F) Send back the result and display on GUI.
- G) The connection and performances need to be good and reliable, and transparency should be provided (e.g. log of communication -> saved on a txt file).

Hints:

- 1) You can start with stand-alone applications.
- 2) Build the programs as state machines will help.
- 3) Keep it simple the focus is on understanding the inter-processes communication **not** to make a scientific fully functioning calculator or creating a perfect user interface.