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# Introduction

Section 1 shall introduce Team404’s Software Configuration Management (SCM) document for the Spring 2020 Software II Project, *PICK Tool*, including the purpose of the document, intended audience, overview, and document references. This SCM document details PICK Tool’s system, outlining the processes for controlling and managing changes to system builds and all artifacts therein.

## Purpose and Intended Audience

The purpose of the Software Configuration Management Document is to define and formalize the software development and configuration management process for developing the PMR Insight, Collective, Knowledge (PICK) Tool. Decisions for these processes is derived from the collaborative experiences from Team404 members, direction from the Guidance Team, and PICK Tool requirements, derived from interviews with and memos from the clients, as documented in the Software Requirements Specification Document (SRS) [1]. Although the intended audience of this document is Team404 and the Guidance Team, the clients may use and reference this document throughout the Software Development Life Cycle.

## Overview

Section 1.2 provides an overview of the major sections of the Software Configuration Management (SCM) document. Section 1.4 is split into four subsections; one subsection for each major section of the report.

#### Section 1: Introduction

The SCM document begins with an introductory section, introducing the purpose and intended audience of the SCM (Section 1.1) while providing an overview the SCM document (Section 1.2). Section 1 of this document concludes by listing all external documents referenced within the text of this document in the IEEE format (Section 1.3).

#### Section 2: Software Configuration Identification

Section 2 of the SCM document provides a general description of the Software Configuration Identification (Section 2.1). The second half of Section 2 will define how items will be organized for Team404 (Section 2.2), including source coe files and directory structures.

#### Section 3: Software Configuration Control

Section 3 of the SCM document includes information related to Software Configuration Control, including documentation procedures (Section 3.1), Configuration Control Board (Section 3.2), and procedures for change requests (Section 3.3).

#### Section 4: Software Configuration Auditing

Section 4 of the SCM document contains the process for which Team404 will use to audit project builds throughout the Spring 2020 semester.

## References

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# Software Configuration Identification

This section provides labels for the baselines and their updates.

The directory structure expected by Team404 to manage documents and program-code files is as follows.

## Software Configuration Item Identification

According to [3], a configuration item is the “smallest modifiable piece of anything needed to build, run, and maintain the system.” The configuration for PICK Tool shall be composed of the following items that Team404 has identified:

* Documentation, including
  + SCM Plan
  + System Design Document
  + System Diagrams
    - Class Diagram
    - Use-Case Diagram
  + User Guides
    - README
    - Release Notes
    - Known Issues
* Source Code, including
  + Front-End GUI Source Code
  + Back-End Configuration Code
* Test Suite, including
  + Unit Testing Code
  + TravisCI integration test code

## Software Configuration Item Organization

The version structure expected by Team404 is as follows.

Within Team404’s GitHub repository, a **ReleaseNotes.md** document shall exist within the /**doc** subdirectory. This document serves to inform the end-user what the current version number is, what fixes and/or new features are included in this version, and what known issues, if any, exist. This document shall continuously be appended throughout the duration of the project such that *ReleaseNotes.md* also serves as a version history or timeline document, retaining all the historical release notes that from *version* of the project. With respect to project versions, there will be three types: Release, Feature, and Hot-Fix, with each respective build type denoted by the X.Y.Z naming convention.

The *Release* version, that is, the final version of the project which will be shipped to the clients at the conclusion of CS 4311 will be denoted by the first digit in the X.Y.Z naming convention. For example, because we are shipping our first version of the project to the client at the end of the course, the version number shall be 1.0.0.

The *Feature* versions, that is, the major versions of the project which must be submitted to the guidance team and/or demoted to the clients throughout the duration of CS 4311 will be denoted by the second digit in the X.Y.Z naming convention. For example, because the GUI is the first major feature of PICK Tool that Team404 is tasked with creating in CS 4311, the version number shall be 0.1.0.

The *Hot-Fix* versions, that is, the versions of the project which include bug fixes, performance enhancements, security fixes, and/or documentation fixes, throughout the duration of CS 4311, will be denoted by the third digit in the X.Y.Z naming convention. For example, because the Team Configuration Management Plan is the first project assignment related to team-documentation, and it is the next deliverable due after the GUI (which is version 0.1.0), the version number shall be 0.1.1.

When a bug is discovered, and in an effort to perform a hot-fix, Team404 will analyze the feature build where the bug was introduced (i.e. 0.2.0). Afterwords, Team404 will merge the current build of code into the feature branch where the bug was introduced (i.e. 0.3.1). Next, a hot-fix version (branch) of the code will be created (checked-out) from the feature branch. This new hot-fix branch will contain the same name of the feature, with the numbering convention of a hot-fix (i.e. 0.3.2). After a fix is implemented, the hot-fix branch will be merged into the feature branch, where it shall be tested by other Team404 members, before shipping as a new, current build, with an updated version number (0.3.2).

The directory structure expected by Team404 to manage documents and program-code files is as follows.

At the top level of the respository, a **README.md** shall exist, describing the project meant to users. The only other files that are expected here is a **.gitignore** file, listing files and/or folders which Git should ignore, a **.git** file, containing git metadata, and a **.travis.yml** file for TravisCI testing.

There are four subdirectories of this structure: **doc**, **src**, **target**, and **test**. The **doc** directory shall contain all information material for documenting the PICK Tool project. The **src** directory shall contain all source material for building the PICK Tool project. The **target** directory shall contain all output material from building the PICK Tool project. The **test** directory shall contain all unit test code for testing software components in the PICK Tool project.

The naming conventions expected by Team404 for all source material is as follows. Naming conventions for all source material shall be short and descriptive of the contents therein. This includes the names of classes, objects, files, and variables. This convention is explored in more detail below. **Note**: All other Python naming conventions not mentioned herein shall be dictated by the python linting file that *Visual Studio Code* (VSCode) uses to perform static code analysis.

* Files and module names shall be lowercase, without underscores
  + i.e. **weblayout.py**, **trainsession.py**, **myfile.py**
* Class names shall
  + Follow the CamelCase or CapWords naming convention
    - i.e. **Node**, **Vector**, **EventConfiguration**, **MyClass**
* Method and Function names shall:
  + Use all lowercase letters
  + Use underscores ( \_ ) to string together multiple words, as needed
    - i.e. **def generate\_vector()**
  + Use a single leading underscore ( \_ ) in the method name to indicate the method is private
    - i.e. **def \_generate\_vector() # Private Method**
* Class Methods shall have their first argument named **cls**
  + i.e.

**class Hooman:**

**gender = “male”**

**name = “Carter”**

**@classmethod**

**def get\_gender(cls):**

**‘‘‘Access a class attribute via cls keyword’’’**

**return(cls.gender)**

* Instance Methods shall have their first argument named **self**
  + i.e.

**class Hooman:**

**gender = “male”**

**name = “Carter”**

**def set\_birthday(self):**

**‘‘‘Create instance attribute via self keyword’’’**

**self.birthday = “August 8, 1998”**

**print(self.name)**

**print(self.birthday)**

* + Note: The notable difference between **cls** and **self** is the method type
* Variable names shall:
  + Use all lowercase letters
  + Avoid the use of single variable character names; the exception to this convention includes common language naming practices
    - i.e. **i**, **j** for indexes of arrays/loops/lists
  + Use underscores ( \_ ) to string together multiple words, as needed
    - i.e. **arm\_length**, **learning\_rate**, **mnist\_classifier**
  + Use a double leading underscore ( \_\_ ) in the variable to indicate the variable is private
    - i.e. **\_\_secondary\_learning\_rate = 1e-4**
* Constant names shall:
  + Use all uppercase letters
  + Use underscores ( \_ ) to string together multiple words, as needed
    - i.e. **KILOMETER**, **ACRE\_SIZE**, **HOURS\_PER\_DAY**

The version control tool that will be used by Team404 to control source code is Git. Git is a version control system that allows Team404 to manage and keep track of the source code over time. The *Git* source code control tool will be hosted through the GitHub hosting service. GitHub provides a platform for collaborative teamwork in Team404’s working environment.

Team members shall back-up all files to the GitHub repository when any of the following criteria be met:

* At the top of the hour
* Upon leaving their workstations

Should GitHub services be offline when any of the previous criteria are met, Team404 shall manually back up files to the team’s Google Drive until GitHub services are back online, and notify all team members of this event.

# Software Configuration Control

All code shall comply with the naming conventions for branching stated in this document to ease configuration control. Team members shall document their work, issues, and fixes for the System Architect to review and organize.

## Documentation

There shall be three types of naming conventions for GitHub branching, each for the three types of user-generated branches: Doc, Component, and Baseline branches.

Doc branches shall be branches wherein all work related to the documentation of a single feature is stored. These branches shall be branched off from a feature branch, called Baseline, following its testing phase. Feature branches are described later in this section. For example, with respect to a GUI feature, there shall be a doc branch that documents all the work as it pertains to the GUI including bug fixes, known issues, dependencies, and how the code functions. Because Team404 is documenting the project as it is being developed, doc branches serve as the culmination of all the documentation of their work for that particular feature. The naming convention for doc branches shall be <feature>-doc-v<version-number>. For example, with respect to the GUI feature, that feature shall have a branch named gui-doc-v010.

Component branches shall be branches wherein all work related to a single component of a new feature is housed. These branches shall be branched off from a feature branch, called Baseline, which is described in this section. For example, with respect to a GUI feature, there shall be a component branch for buttons, where all work for the interconnectivity between windows, is done. Because each branch contains work related to a single component, there may be many component branches for a single feature. The naming convention for component branches shall be <feature>-<component>-v<version-number>. For example, with respect to the buttons component of the GUI feature, that branch shall be named gui-buttons-v010.

Baseline branches shall be branches wherein all work, related to a new feature, is stored. These branch types branched off from the master branch, will serve as the place where the work from all components of a single feature is housed and tested. For example, the work from all components as they pertain to the GUI feature shall be merged in the baseline branch, whose naming convention for component branches shall be named gui-baseline-v010. The naming style baseline branches shall follow is <feature>-baseline-v<version-number>. When all components have been merged into the feature’s baseline branch, the master branch shall also be merged into the feature’s baseline branch for testing.

Within Team404’s GitHub repository, KnownErrors.md and ReleaseNotes.md documents shall exist within the /**doc** subdirectory. Within the KnownErrors.md document, there shall be two separate sections for each classification of error: environmental and coding. Team404 considers errors related to the environment as including issues related to the OS, coding libraries, and/or computing architecture (i.e. errors specific to x86 devices or ARM-based devices) and considers errors related to coding as issues with Team404’s builds of the PICK Tool, including issues related to team-written code, the UI, the functionality of the product, documentation errors, security issues, and memory leaks.

## Configuration Control Board

All team members are expected to keep a notebook, either physical or digital, documenting their work on the PICK Tool project. In addition to ensuring team members are equally contributing to the project, this ensures that any errors and accompanying fixes/workarounds, as they relate to the project, are documented at the time of discovery.

At the end of each day that a team member has worked on PICK Tool, it is the responsibility of that team member to provide any new documentation they produced to the System Architect, who will then organize them in the Doc branch of that particular feature or hot-fix, before a pull request is made to merge back into the master branch. Any known errors that still exist when merging branches in Git shall be included in the ReleaseNotes.md file, located within the **/doc** subdirectory.

Because all team members are expected to keep a notebook, they are required to document their errors, dates of discovery, the procedures for fixes/workarounds, and root causes (i.e. the root cause being the python environment, the OS, the IDE, a function call, etc.). Team members are responsible for updating their individual documents, not defects that shall not be merged into the baseline. Each section of the KnownErrors.md document shall continuously be appended by the System Architect, based on the documents provided by all team members. KnownErrors.md also serves as an error history or timeline document, retaining all the historical errors and their accompanying fixes notes, discovered while building the project.

## Procedures

Changes to PICK Tool may be requested by the clients, guidance team, or Team404 during a client demonstration, guidance team meeting, or team meeting. Change requests shall be noted down by those in attendance at the demonstration or meeting, and be appended to a **ChangeRequests.md** file in the **/doc** subdirectory. All new change requests shall include the following information:

* The persons requesting the changes (i.e. Clients, Guidance Team, Two members of Team404)
* The requested change to the system
* The reason for the requested change
* The priority level of this change (measured by a due date)
* The Team404 members charged with implementing the change

All team members have access to the **ChangeRequests.md** file. This ensures all Team404 members, including those not previously in attendance, are aware of changes requesed to the system.

Members of Team404 may also initiate a change request to exiting code while reviewing another team member’s pull request. This type of change request shall not require the formal documentation listed above, but follows a different procedure:

To initiate this type of change request, a user will select the pull request they wish to make a change request. After doing so, they will click on the Files changed tab and scroll down to the line(s) of code where they would like to add a comment. The user can add a comment by clicking on the blue comment (+) icon. From this field, the user can leave comments, including change requests to the existing code. When the user finishes, they click on the Start a Review or Add review comment button, followed by the Request changes and Submit review button.

# Software Configuration Auditing

To ensure the configuration of our system matches the desired configuration from our clients, the following questions, from [3], shall be answered by the reviewer of a pull request, before that pull request is approved and the branch is allowed to merge into the baseline:

1. Are the changes that should be in this version actually here?
2. Did the right changes get propagated to dependent versions?
3. Did we follow the process described in Software Configuration Control?
4. Have the specified changes been made?
5. Have the specified reviews and testing been completed?
6. Did we meet the technical correctness objectives?
7. Have the SCM procedures for noting the change, recording it, and reporting it been followed?
8. Have all related Software Configuration Items been properly updated?
9. Did any other changes slip in?

Once questions 1-8 have been answered in the affirmative by the reviewer, the reviewer may approve a pull request, and merge the changes into the baseline. Should question 9 be answered in the affirmative, the reviewer shall ensure that, through an affirmative answer to question 5, any other changes that slipped in do not affect the functionality of PICK Tool in a negative way. Additionally, the reviewer shall ensure any changes that slipped in are noted in the **ReleaseNotes** file.

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