

SE 101 Project: *BoosterCat*

What will it do?

The *BoosterCat*, a gaming gadget, provides a pet nursing simulation, where the player enjoys the company of a virtual cat and helps it to survive. In order for the pet to grow up healthily, basic needs, such as food, cleanliness, and happiness, must be met; otherwise, it may result in death. The *BoosterCat* will communicate with the player through emotions and reminders of its needs. The goal of the game is to keep the *BoosterCat* alive for as long as possible.

Major Software Components

The *BoosterCat*'s emotions are expressed through emoticons and its status with LED lights. Its lifespan will be recorded using a timer.

As the *BoosterCat*'s condition deteriorates over time, it will prompt the player on the LCD screen with one of the following scenarios depending on its statuses:

1. Feed the hungry *BoosterCat*
 - a. Press button
 - b. The status goes from Healthy to Hungry so the LED changes to red
2. Pet the lonely *BoosterCat*
 - a. Put fingers on (hold) temperature sensors within 5 sec
 - b. If lonely, the status goes from Happiness to Sadness so the LED will go to blue
3. Clean the dirty *BoosterCat*
 - a. Shake off the litter within 10 seconds
 - b. The status goes from Healthy to Anger so the LED will go to green

Table 1: LED colours with its equivalent status

LED Colour	Red	Green	Blue
Status	Anger	Dirty	Sad

Hardware Components

- ❖ Digital I/O Pushbuttons
- ❖ I²C 3-axis Accelerometer
- ❖ I²C Temperature sensor
- ❖ 128x32 pixel OLED Display (LCD)
- ❖ LED
- ❖ Tiva-C