

Software Engineering Group Project Project Plan

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document outlines deadlines for deliverables and their requirements. It breaks these deliverables into tasks and creates a plan for their completion.

1.1 Purpose of this Document

This purpose of this document is to describe how tasks will be created, named and monitored to ensure deliverables are created within set deadlines and are of a high quality.

1.2 Scope

This document is written to assist in planning, timing and management of the project. It also lists tasks, deadlines and deliverables and creates a standard naming scheme and plan for their completion.

1.3 Objectives

This document aims to inform the reader of upcoming deliverables and their deadlines, it will break the deliverables down into assignable tasks with a standard naming convention. The project plan will also provide a schedule to detect problematic tasks and remediate the situation before time slippages occur. The reader should understand the timeline of the project and tasks required to complete it.

2. DELIVERABLES

2.1 List of deliverables and their deadlines

To ensure the project is progressing correctly and to a high standard several deliverables will be presented at a review meeting with the project manager. These must be submitted via Blackboard before the meeting.

These deliverables and their deadlines [1] are:

1. Interaction and high level design for the system – October 30th
2. Test specification for the system – November 13th
3. Design specification for the final system – November 27th
4. 1st Prototype demonstration – December 11th
5. Delivery of software – January 29th by 16:00
6. Handover of all documentation – February 15th by 16:00

2.2 Additional important dates

There are other important dates within this project. These are listed below:

- Integration and testing week - January 25th – January 29th (Inclusive)
- Acceptance testing – Week commencing February 1st (times to be announced)

2.3 Individual deliverable requirements

2.3.1 Interaction and high level design for the system

Sections 4.1, 4.2, 5.1 and 5.2 within SE.QA.05A [2] are required for this deliverable. This includes:

- Applications in the system
- Application interactions

- Use-cases
- User interface design

2.3.2 Test specification for the final system

This deliverable requires the test specification to be completed as per SE.QA.06 [3] the documentation should include:

- Test specification
- A test result reporting method

2.3.3 Design Specification

A full design specification must be created conforming to SE.QA.05A [2]. The following sections can be reused from Interaction and high level system design deliverable

- Applications in the system
- Application integrations
- Use-Cases
- User interfaces design

The following documentation must be created in addition:

- Component descriptions
- Significant classes
 - Interface design for these classes

To ensure a complex class or interaction is implemented correctly it also needs to be broken down into:

- Sequence diagrams
- State diagrams
- Activity diagrams
- Significant data structures

2.3.4 1st Prototype demonstration

A demonstration of the final product needs to be created; this is to allow the client to review and change elements of the product early in development. The demonstration must have all its major components completed however it does not need to be fully complete or polished.

2.3.5 Delivery of software

The software must contain all functional requirements and be polished and ready for customer delivery. The software will be delivered on a CD to the client. The client will then perform acceptance testing.

2.3.6 Handover of all documentation

All documentation must be completed and reviewed to ensure a consistent high standard across documents. All documents must also conform to the layout in SE.QA.03 [4]. Once finalised the documents will be exported to PDF and delivered to the client. The documentation includes [5]:

- Design specification
- Final report
- Maintenance manual

- Project plan
- Test report
- Test specification

3. TASK STANDARDS

3.1 Naming convention

All tasks will follow a standard naming scheme to allow identification of the deliverable targeted this is described in SE.QA.02 [6]. The format will be SE_05_XXXX_YY.

XXXX refers to the deliverable in a shorthand code such as PM for project management. YY is a numerical value starting and 01 and increasing for tasks which are large enough to warrant being broken down into subtasks. Tasks which are not suitable to be turned into sub tasks will have a subtask value of 01. [6]

3.2 Task groups

The following codes will be used for identifying tasks:

- DEGN – Design Specification
- MAINT – Maintenance Manual
- PM – Project Management
- QA – Quality Assurance
- TCLI – Tasker Client
- TEST– Testing Reports
- TEST_SPEC – Testing Specification
- TMAN – Tasker Manager
- TSRV – Tasker Server
- DEL – Complete Deliverable

For example a design document might have the code SE_05_DEGN_07 (if it was subtask 7)

4. LIST OF TASKS

4.1 Project Management Tasks

SE_05_PM_01 – Create Project plan documentation (This document)

SE_05_PM_02 – Create Gantt chart for project plan

Se_05_PM_03 – Create risk analysis for project plan

4.2 Test Specification Tasks

SE_05_TEST_SPEC_01 – Create test specification for TaskerCLI

SE_05_TEST_SPEC_02 – Create test specification for TaskerMAN

SE_05_TEST_SPEC_03 – Create test specification for TaskerSRV

SE_05_TEST_SPEC_04 – Document a system for reporting and monitoring test reports

SE_05_DEL_02 – Complete test specification deliverable

4.3 Design Specification Tasks

SE_05_DEGN_01 – Create system applications documentation

SE_05_DEGN_02 – Create application interaction documentation which lists to format data will be transmitted between software in

SE_05_DEGN_03 – Create use-case diagrams for the application

SE_05_DEGN_04 – Design and create mock-up of user interfaces

SE_05_DEL_01 – Interaction and high level design deliverable

SE_05_DEGN_05 – Document component level design

SE_05_DEGN_06 – Design and document significant classes within TaskerCLI

SE_05_DEGN_07 – Design and document significant functions and/or classes (where applicable) in TaskerMAN

SE_05_DEGN_08 – Design scheme and indexes for TaskerSRV database

SE_05_DEGN_09 – Break down complex designs and algorithms into UML sequence diagrams, state diagrams and activity diagrams where appropriate for TaskerCLI

SE_05_DEGN_10 – Break down complex designs and algorithms into UML sequence diagrams, state diagrams and activity diagrams where appropriate for TaskerMAN

SE_05_DEGN_11 – Spike work and document methods such as threading to conform to requirement PR1 [7] (all user interactions must take < 1 second to reflect their changes)

SE_05_DEGN_99 – Review all design documentation clarify and ambiguity and release

SE_05_DEL_03 – Complete design specification deliverable

4.4 1st Prototype Tasks

4.4.1 TaskerCLI Tasks

SE_05_TCLI_01 – Implement JUnit tests from specification

SE_05_TCLI_02 – Create application interfaces

SE_05_TCLI_03 – Implement classes from design specification and adhering to interfaces

SE_05_TCLI_04 – Implement task synchronisation logic

SE_05_TCLI_05 – Implement GUI

SE_05_TEST_01 – First prototype integration and application testing

SE_05_TCLI_06 – Performance and bug fixing

SE_05_DEL_04 – Complete first prototype deliverable

4.4.2 TaskerMAN Tasks

SE_05_TMAN_01 – Implement PHPUnit tests from specification

SE_05_TMAN_02 – Implement HTML, CSS on static content

SE_05_TMAN_03 – Implement basic editing of tasks

SE_05_TMAN_04 – Implement sorting and filtering

SE_05_TMAN_05 – Implement advanced editing of tasks (batch editing)

SE_05_TEST_01 – First prototype integration and application testing

SE_05_TMAN_06 – Performance and bug fixing

4.4.3 TaskerSRV Tasks

SE_05_TSRV_01 – Setup development database
SE_05_TSRV_02 – Create schema and indexes
SE_05_TSRV_03 – Establish connections and populate with test data
SE_05_TSRV_04 – Create automated package to setup database
SE_05_TEST_01 – First prototype integration and application testing
SE_05_TSRV_05 – Performance fixes and schema tweaks

4.5 Software delivery Tasks

SE_05_TCLI_07 – Incorporate client feedback and fixes
SE_05_TMAN_07 - Incorporate client feedback and fixes
SE_05_TSRV_06 - Incorporate client feedback and fixes
SE_05_TEST_02 – Testing for all targeted platforms and bug fixes
SE_05_MAINT_01 – Create maintenance documentation
SE_05_TCLI_08 – Package software ready for handover
SE_05_TMAN_08 – Package software ready for handover
SE_05_TSRV_07 – Package database scripts ready for handover
SE_05_PM_04 – Deliver software to client on CD

4.6 Documentation handover Tasks

SE_05_QA_01 – Review testing documentation
SE_05_QA_02 – Review design documentation
SE_05_QA_03 – Review maintenance manuals
SE_05_QA_04 – Review miscellaneous documents
SE_05_DEL_05 – Handover all documentation

5. MONITORING

5.1 Review meetings

Review meetings will be conducted as per SE.QA.07 [8]. Before the meeting the QA manager will inform all relevant members of the team the location and time of the meeting. They will also ensure the correct version of the document is being used and distribute this copy before the meeting. During the meeting a brief version of minutes may be taken and distributed subject to a decision between the QA manager and project leader. The QA manager will take any points that arise and create issues on GitHub and ensure they are assigned. A document must go through a review before it can have its status changed to review

5.2 Informal meetings

There will also be informal meetings held on a regular basis. These are to co-ordinate and assign tasks, check progress and raise points within the group. Two informal meetings are planned every week to allow constant communication within the group [8]. These will be held Tuesday at 6PM and Wednesday at 2PM in the Think Tank. In the event of a meeting time being changed, cancelled or moved the project manager will email the group and inform and confirm with the group the alternative arrangements. Brief minutes and actionable points

will be taken by the QA manager and distributed to the group. Any issues arising will be opened and assigned on GitHub.

5.3 Formal meetings

Formal meetings will take place once per week with the project manager. In these meeting minutes must be taken by the QA manager. The project manager will review minutes from the previous meeting and create and assign any actions to ensure the project continues correctly and on time. The project manager will also ensure progress has been made on previously assigned actions.

5.4 Minutes

All minutes must conform to the layout specified in SE.QA.03 [4] these minutes should be uploaded to the repository as soon as possible. Each set of minutes should be in an individual file with the name style [9] of yyyy-mm-dd_minutes where yyyy represents year, mm represents month, dd represents day in numerical form.

5.5 Time sheets

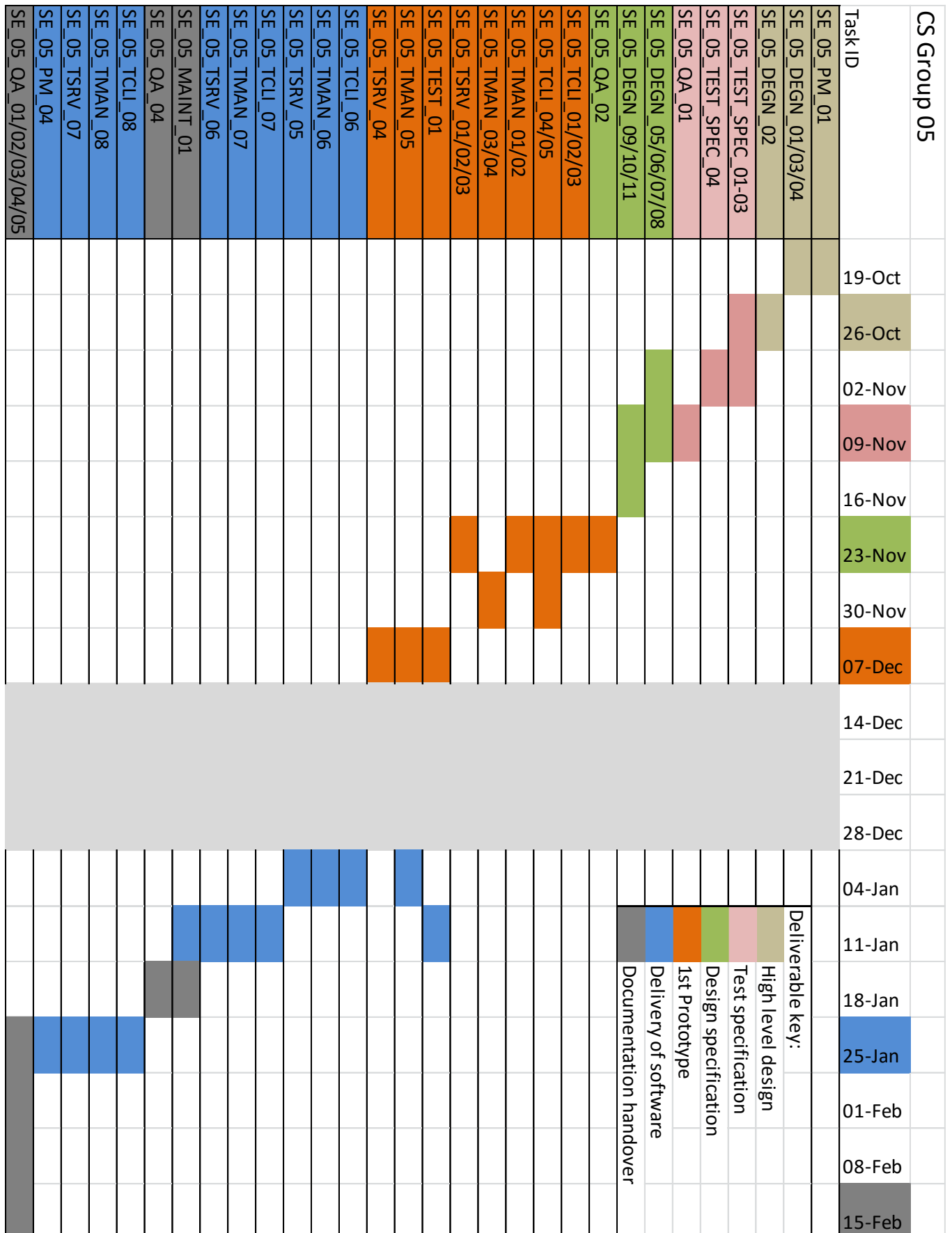
Time sheets will be created and conform to the layout provided by the project leader. Within these all project members will estimate the time required to complete a task, the time taken to complete the task, the task ID and name and any comments about the task. These will be submitted by Wednesday evening, they must show the tasks completed from the previous Wednesday to the current Wednesday.

These will be used to calculate hours available to the project, hours completed and any over or under run.

5.6 Blogs

All project members will create and maintain a blog. This will list the task they are currently working on, any comments about the task and difficulties encountered during that task. The project manager will monitor these to view the project member's progress.

6. GANTT CHART



7. RISK ANALYSIS

Risk ID	Risk Description	Impact	Probability	Mitigation
001	Work not in on schedule	Medium	Medium	Monitoring of assigned tasks and regular feedback from team members
002	Project leader missing	Medium	Low	Deputy leader to take over when project leader missing, project leader must keep deputy leader informed
003	QA lead missing	Medium	Low	Deputy QA to take over. QA lead to keep deputy informed of documents pending review and review dates
004	Work corrupted	Medium	Low	Revert to previous commit, if still corrupted pull from server repository
005	Local work deleted	Medium	Low	Pull latest commit from GitHub and recreate local copy
006	Remote work deleted	High	Low	Revert latest commit. Upload latest version to GitHub from a team members local computer (determined in meeting) recreated repository
007	GitHub temporarily offline	Medium	Low	Watch status page at https://status.github.com/ and work locally
008	GitHub permanently offline	V. High	V. Low	Consult with project manager, migrate hosts to alternative Git host. Upload most recent local copy of work (determined in meeting)
009	Project member illness	Low-Med	Medium	Depending on severity reallocate tasks to another member, if possible get existing work off project member
010	Client requirements change	Med-High	Low	Consult regularly with client and ensure project is progressing with their satisfaction. Meeting with team and client to compromise on any requirement changes
011	GUI implementation problems	Medium	Medium	Spike work will be created early in project to create code that produces output like GUI design. In event this is not easy to implement the GUI design will be altered.
012	Client synchronisation issues	High	Medium	Spike work will be conducted early in the project to view ways of dealing with intermittent connections and sync issues

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DOCUMENT HISTORY

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