

# **Report on the SCRUM and SPRINT**

**CEG 4912**

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## Sprint 1

<b>Week 1</b> <b>(Jan 13th - Jan 20th)</b>	<b>Project Planning &amp; Proposal</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Software architecture model rough draft</li> <li>• Hardware architecture model rough draft</li> <li>• Requirements review</li> <li>• Component query</li> <li>• WBS rough draft</li> <li>• Github setup</li> <li>• Trello board setup</li> <li>• Gantt chart set up</li> </ul>
<b>Week 2</b> <b>(Jan 21st - Jan 27th)</b>	<b>Hardware Setup</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Component acquisition</li> <li>• Raspberry Pi OS setup</li> <li>• Python Libraries (GPIO pin, rplcd.i2c, pi camera etc.) prepared for system</li> <li>• Initial set up of wires</li> <li>• Virtual environment setup</li> </ul>
<b>Week 3 (Jan 28th - Feb 3rd)</b>	<b>Sensor and Screen Implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial sensor integration with MCU to prepare for object detection</li> <li>• Initial screen integration with MCU to print states of sensor. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ "System ready" - system is ready for mail insertion</li> <li>○ "Object detected" - sensor detects object</li> <li>○ "Object captured" - Camera takes picture</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Week 4 (Feb 4th - Feb 10th)</b>	<b>Camera Implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial camera integration with MCU to prepare for objects to be captured once the sensor detects an object <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Issues faced: pip command not working, unable to download tesseract library</li> <li>○ Possible solution: manually download libraries</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <b>Midterm Presentation (Feb 9th) Preparation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project presentation slides prepared</li> <li>• Final draft of WBS created</li> <li>• Final draft of Software architecture model</li> <li>• Final draft of Hardware architecture model</li> </ul>
<b>Deliverable 1</b> <b>Demo - <u>Feb 13th</u></b>	<b>Demo of</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensor implementation</li> <li>• Screen implementation</li> <li>• Camera implementation</li> </ul> <b>Summary of demo:</b> System was initialized by creating a python script of the LCD screen with its system ready state and once an object was detected, the camera took a picture of the object.

## Sprint 2

<b>Week 1</b> <b>(Feb 26th - March 3rd)</b>	<p><b>Mid-Session Report Completion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalized and submitted the mid-session report on February 26th.</li><li>• Conducted thorough review and edits before submission.</li></ul> <p><b>SPRINT and SCRUM Explanatory Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Completed the write-up on SPRINT and SCRUM methodologies by February 28th.</li><li>• Illustrated the application of these methodologies to our project.</li></ul> <p><b>Bug Fixing and Troubleshooting:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identified and documented bugs from Sprint 1, focusing on sensor object detection issues.</li><li>• Debugged the sensor-to-Raspberry Pi integration to correct the erroneous 'no object detected' message.</li><li>• Tested and validated the sensor's accuracy post-troubleshooting.</li></ul> <p><b>Hardware Enhancement Planning:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Researched and selected a suitable breadboard for component integration.</li><li>• Planned the procurement of the breadboard to facilitate a more streamlined hardware setup.</li></ul>
<b>Week 2</b> <b>(March 4th - March 10th)</b>	<p><b>AI Calibration of Letter Address Reading:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Download tesseract &amp; opencv library</li><li>• Research OCR Process Flow</li><li>• Implement OCR algorithm to detect<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ orientation of text</li><li>◦ digits</li></ul></li><li>• Collect data for different handwriting</li></ul> <p><b>Component Integration onto Breadboard:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insert the sensor and screen modules into the breadboard, ensuring secure and correct connections.</li></ul> <p><b>Integration Testing with Existing Code:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Run the pre-existing sensor and screen interaction code to validate the new breadboard setup.</li><li>• Troubleshoot any connectivity issues and confirm the seamless operation of integrated components.</li></ul>
<b>Week 3</b> <b>(March 11th - March 17th)</b>	<p><b>AI Calibration Continues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Implement OCR algorithm to detect<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ orientation of text</li><li>◦ digits</li></ul></li><li>• Collect data for different handwriting</li><li>• OCR Testing<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ System integration testing</li><li>◦ Unit tests</li><li>◦ Model testing</li></ul></li></ul> <p><b>Motor Configuration and Integration:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prepare wiring diagrams for connecting the motor to the Raspberry Pi.</li><li>• Physically set up the motor and ensure correct electrical connections.</li><li>• Integrate the motor with the Raspberry Pi's GPIO pins for control signals.</li></ul>

	<p><b>Python Script Development for Motor Testing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilize the RPi.GPIO library for interfacing with the motor.</li> <li>Write a Python script to control motor actions, aiming to selectively pull out letters.</li> </ul> <p><b>Independent Component Operation Testing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test the motor's functionality independently from other system components.</li> <li>Document the test results and adjust the motor control parameters as necessary.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Week 4</b> (March 18th - March 24th)</p>	<p><b>AI Calibration continues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OCR implementation continues</li> <li>OCR Model testing</li> </ul> <p><b>Machine Learning Model Training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhance the letter reading and detection capabilities through additional machine learning training sessions.</li> <li>Refine the dataset and adjust model parameters to improve accuracy in letter detection.</li> </ul> <p><b>Motor and Component Integration:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrate the motor within the overall system to function with other components regardless of the item type.</li> <li>Test the motor's interaction with the system, ensuring it operates under the command of the MCU.</li> </ul> <p><b>Letter Holder Setup:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design or procure a suitable holder or compartment for the placement of letters.</li> </ul> <p><b>LCD Screen Configuration for Error Handling:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Program the LCD to display a 'Wrong Insertion' message when an incorrect object is detected.</li> <li>Sync the display of this message with the activation of the motor to eject the wrongly inserted object.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Week 5</b> (March 25th - March 31st )</p>	<p><b>AI Calibration Continues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camera should detect typed text</li> <li>Continue training model for handwritten texts</li> </ul> <p><b>Back-end Operations begin:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Database Initialized</li> <li>ER schema and diagram</li> </ul> <p><b>Front-end Operations begin:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rough draft of GUI</li> <li>Use cases</li> <li>FSM</li> <li>High level view of front-end prepared</li> </ul> <p><b>Camera Functionality and Validation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the system's logic to accurately discern if the captured image is a letter, prompting 'Letter Captured' on the LCD.</li> </ul> <p><b>Error Detection and Motor Response:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure the system identifies non-letter items, displaying 'Wrong Insertion' on the LCD.</li> <li>Test the motor's ejection mechanism to reliably reject items when a non-letter is detected.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Week 6</b> (April 1st - April 7th)</p>	<p><b>Notification Alert System initialized:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back-end &amp; Front-end integration</li> </ul> <p><b>Second deliverable system integration testing:</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Testing OCR model to detect clean handwriting text</li> <li>• OCR model should detect written text</li> <li>• All components implemented functions as expected</li> </ul> <p><b>Comprehensive System Testing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct full-scale tests to ensure all components (sensor, camera, LCD, motor) are functioning as expected.</li> <li>• Validate the first stage of the sorting process, confirming flawless operation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Prepare Final Presentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare Report</li> <li>• Prepare presentation slides</li> <li>• Prepare Demo</li> </ul>
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### Sprint 3

<b>Week 1 ( Sep 4 - Sep 8 )</b>	<p><b>Strict text recognition for apartment numbers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve the Optical Character Recognition software OCR to read and interpret the apartment numbers or letters.</li> </ul>
<b>Week 2 ( Sep 9 - Sep 15)</b>	<p><b>Display apartment numbers on LED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrate the OCR output with the display system.</li> <li>• Present visually the detected apartment number, for verification or control purposes.</li> </ul>
<b>Week 3 ( Sep 16 - Sep 22)</b>	<p><b>Synchronize the motor to the apartment box</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Involve programming and mechanical work to ensure that once the apartment number is recognized, the system's motor will correctly sort the letter and push it to the corresponding box.</li> </ul>
<b>Week 4 ( Sep 23 - Sep 29)</b>	<p><b>Build a motorized platform to sort letters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design the hardware platform that physically moves the letters</li> <li>• Integrate it with the motors, that will be controlled by the system's software</li> </ul>
<b>Week 5 ( Sep 30 - Oct 6)</b>	<p><b>Initialize the database for recipient details</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a database to store information about the recipients, such as names, apartment numbers, and any other relevant details that could be used for sorting or record-keeping</li> <li>• Create a messaging system and make it able to notify the clients when they receive a letter in their box.</li> </ul>
<b>Week 6 ( Oct 7 - Oct 13)</b>	<p><b>Finalize the second floor of the mailsorted box</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Link the database with the messaging system</li> <li>• Be able to demo the operation of the second floor</li> </ul>

## Sprint 4

<b>Week 1 (Oct 21th - Oct 27th )</b>	<b>Project Testing and documentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unit testing : test if the assembly unit works correctly with all libraries correctly used</li><li>• Integration testing : see if the unit is correctly installed and solder in the device in order to be completely stable</li><li>• check that the LCD, the motor, the sensor, the hatches and the support are all correctly assembled and soldered that the device, although portable, supports all the elements</li></ul>
<b>Week 2 (Oct 28th - Nov 3rd)</b>	<b>Refine system</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assembling with the AI so that it effectively carries out these different tasks</li><li>• Correct the system by check that the LCD correctly displays all status messages based on sensor detection in order to verify that they are perfectly synchronized</li><li>• based on testing results: Address any bugs or functionality issues identified during testing.</li><li>• Finalize documentation: Ensure user manuals and troubleshooting guides are complete and polished.</li></ul>
<b>Week 3 (Nov 4th - Nov 10th )</b>	<b>Finalize hardware and software:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalize any hardware/software modifications based on testing and user feedback.</li><li>• Check system performance to ensure that the device rejects if the detected object is not a letter and efficiently sorts the detected letter into the correct compartment</li></ul>
<b>Week 4 ( Nov 11th - Nov 17th)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Running the mailbox and finalizing the assembly</b> to ensure it is ready for delivery to the customer</li></ul>
<b>Week 5 ( Nov 18th - Nov 24th )</b>	<b>Prepare final presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Develop a comprehensive presentation showcasing the project's goals, achievements, and future potential.</li><li>• Prepare for the final presentation and demonstration.</li></ul>
<b>Week 6 ( Nov 25th - Dec 1st)</b>	<b>Practice presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rehearse the final presentation to ensure clarity and effectiveness.</li></ul>
<b>Week 7 (Dec 2nd - Dec 8th )</b>	<b>Final presentation and demonstration:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deliver the final presentation and showcase the SSM-ARMS system's functionality.</li></ul>
<b>Week 8 (Dec 9 - Dec 15 )</b>	<b>Project wrap-up:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalize all project documentation and reports.</li></ul>