

Project Rules

HIS/Basys - Smart Sensor Networks Systems Rules

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1 Introduction and Requirements

Smart Sensor Network Systems are a base technology for the *Internet of Things (IOT)* and *Cyber-Physical Systems*!

This course is a **project** with a semester workload of 150h!!! The emphasis is on practical and self-reliant work of all students. Subgroups of 4 students each have to work on an assigned project. Each group must communicate with the supervisors via a Moodle forum. Attendance of the project meetings is **mandatory**! The following has to be provided by every...

- Student:
 - An individual talk on an assigned theoretical exercise
 - Practical exercise solutions
 - Voluntary talks on various related topics
- Group:
 - A project estimation of the assigned project
 - A working final project solution
 - Weekly project reports

1.1 Registration for the Course

You need to **enrol** to the course on the **HIS platform**¹. See section 1.3 for deadlines.

1.2 Grading Scheme

Each student will be graded based on the following factors:

- Practical exercises (2 x 10%)
- Individual talk/presentation 20 min. (20%)

¹<https://his-www.dv.fh-frankfurt.de/>

- Weekly reports (6 x 5%)
- Proposal (5%)
- Project (25%)
- Voluntary talks (5%)

1.3 Course Timetable

- 3rd - 16th April 2018
 - **Registration/sign-off on the HIS platform is opened**
- 13th April 2018
 - Introduction
 - Distribute sets with nodes
 - Distribute exercise sheets
 - Assignment topics for Student presentations
- 19th April 2018
 - Practical exercise 1 submission deadline
- 20th April 2018
 - Practical exercise 1 demonstration
- 26th April 2018
 - Practical exercise 2 submission deadline
- 27th April 2018
 - Practical exercise 2 demonstration
 - Group and project assignment
- 4th May 2018
 - Project proposal demonstration
- 11th May 2018 - 6th July 2018
 - Submission of weekly reports (the last working day before each lecture)
- 22th June 2018

- Deadline project documentation
- 25th 2018 - 6th July 2018
- Final project presentations and examinations

2 Requirements for Individual Talks/presentations

Your talk should be lively and interesting to make the seminar as successful as possible for all participants. The audience of your talk and report are colleagues with a background in Computer Science, not lay persons. They must be able to learn from your talk and report. Both must enable a listener to get an accelerated start working in the field of the project. A few formal rules will help:

2.1 Formal Rules

- Duration of a talk 20-25 minutes
- Language: English
- Number of slides: approximately 7 to 10 slides
- Slide contents: Key words and sentences, graphical displays, pictures. **Not copies of your report!**
- Please check the visibility in large and bright rooms!
- Make sure that your equipment can interface with the beamers!
- Talks should be accompanied by a short report of at least 4 pages, to be submitted as PDF. Upper bound of pages may vary with task!
- Literature references, **wikipedia is NOT a scientific referece!**

3 Project Proposal

The newly formed subgroups have to write a project proposal:

- a) Project vision
- b) List of functional and non-functional requirements
- c) Safety, security and reliability requirements
- d) Project plan

- i) Project estimation
 - ii) Project scheduling
 - iii) Project organization
 - iv) Responsibilities of all team members
 - v) Project risk analysis
- e) Safety and security plan
- f) Setup and description of the development environments
- g) Literature references

4 Project Reports

A report deepens the understanding of the topics discussed in the talk. Reports are the most important means to transfer information in your future workplace, i.e. in a company, during a conference, in a research lab. For reports some formal rules also apply.

4.1 Weekly Reports

- Language: English
- Electronic format: PDF

4.1.1 Content

- Group name
- Topic name
- From **each** student:
 - Full name
 - Weekly progress (**everything** you have done for the project since the last lecture)
 - Expenditure of time

4.2 Final Report

- Length of report: 15 pages
- Language: English
- Electronic format: PDF

4.2.1 Content Rules

The principal structure of your report could be like:

- Group members with ID and their roles and contributions! Everybody must take responsibility for a task!
- Type and number of the SSNS set
- Table of contents
- List of figures
- List of images
- List of tables
- Introduction and Motivation
- Hardware and software used, including tools
- Elaboration
- Conclusion
- Appendix
- References
- Glossary

Please: In your own interest use an appropriate system to write the report! You are working towards a Master of Science degree. In all natural and engineering sciences an Office product is **not** an appropriate system. A good recommendation is L^AT_EX! This system is used extensively in Computer Science, Physics and Mathematics. All major scientific journals accept L^AT_EX- code. Many good science books are written with L^AT_EX!

Quotations and the list of references should follow the general scientific standards. You can find them in good science books. Look into the IEEE-Guidelines for further details.

5 Final Presentation and Demonstration

The final presentation and demonstration should be 20 minutes long. It must contain :

- Technical information only (express your idea technically and not in an abstract marketing sense)

- Application Idea : overview of what you wish to achieve
- Architecture of project: hardware
- Architecture of project: software (you should show the software architecture using UML diagrams)
- Architecture: network structure
- Tool chain : all the software you used to develop your system and how you configured it.
- Results and demonstration
- Reliability : is the whole system that you've built reliable? An easy way to calculate reliability is to run your system 10 times to see how many times it failed.
- Statistics : if your system is measuring something then it makes sense to apply statistics on it. Measured values will have a mean, standard deviation and will have an error. Measured values will have a confidence interval and prognosis interval. These are just guidelines, you can choose to apply whichever statistics you wish to.

6 Project R&D

This is the main part!

The project requires a lot of activities:

- Literature research, especially in the IEEE Digital Libraries, i.e. IEEE Xplore, ACM Digital Library, but also in books, journals, etc.
- Basics of measuring science and technology
- Basics of data acquisition
- Basics of scientific data visualization and analysis
- Software installation, e.g. development system, tool chain ...
- Hardware installation
- Interface definition, e.g. USB/UART, Wifi, Bluetooth
- Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) topology
- IEEE 802.15.4/Zigbee protocol

- IEEE 802.15.1 Bluetooth
- WSN setup
- WSN interfacing to computer or smartphone
- IT-security aspects
- **Design and operation of a running and reliable WSN with computer and/or smartphone for data visualization and analysis!**