Software Design & Implementation

Project Report

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# Project Abstract:

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# Background Research:

An overview of external tools and libraries that were used to implement the application:

* QT
* Boost
* Crypto Library
* MQTT Mosquito

# List of Requirements & Tasks:

# Risk Analysis:

The risk analysis aspect of the project design stage involves reviewing and planning out solutions for potentials issues that could put the project’s success at risk. Highlighted below at several risks ranging from low to high probability and impact; they are each accompanied by a mitigation plan.

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| **Risk Number** | **Description of Risk** | **Probability** | **Impact** | **Mitigation Plan** |
| 1 | Unclear or unrealistic requirements and scope | 2 | 5 | Ensure that all requirements are reviewed by all members of the team and are thoroughly discussed before being confirmed. In addition to this, actively seek out support from experts (i.e., lecturers and industry professionals) to ensure that the project scope is attainable within the allocated development window |
| 2 | Insufficient knowledge and background research of messaging applications | 3 | 4 | Carry out an intensive research process before beginning the development process to ensure that all team members are well informed |
| 3 | Security breach due to passwords being compromised | 2 | 5 | Add password encryption and (if feasible) two-factor authentication. |
| 4 | Team member falls ill due to ongoing pandemic or is otherwise unable to support the team due to extenuating circumstances | 3 | 4 | Promote the Software Tester to the role available. |
| 5 | Lost data due to technical failure | 2 | 4 | Make regular backups to GitHub and other cloud storage options used by the team. |
| 6 | Tasks go over the allotted time | 2 | 3 | Give buffer for extra time at end of the project - work to a week before the actual deadline |
| 7 | Team member overwrites an existing file's contents on accident | 3 | 1 | Regularly use version control software (i.e., Git - GitHub) so that the file contents can be easily reverted to an older version |
| 8 | Users struggle to use the application due to the unintuitive user interface (UI) | 2 | 2 | Ensure that during the testing stages user feedback is gathered with regards to the usability of the UI |
| 9 | Major bug found in the testing stage | 2 | 2 | Agile development allows for regular testing to prevent large scale bugs at the end of the project. |
| 10 | Team member struggles to engage with the group or is not actively communicating with the rest of the team | 3 | 4 | The team must have frequent check-ins to ensure how all team members are handling their workload and if anyone requires assistance with managing their tasks, they are encouraged to seek help from the rest of the team. |
| 11 | Member conflict occurs due to differing opinions | 3 | 5 | The team makes use of the quality vote to make the final decision to resolve the conflict |
| 12 | Team experiences issues with computational resources | 1 | 3 | Contact the team's assigned tutor for support in gaining access to university resources. |
| 13 | Member experiences issues with handling the workload | 3 | 4 | The team reviews the assigned task to break it down amongst other members to help support the struggling member |

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| **Probability** | **Impact** | **Description** |
| 5 | 5 | A risk event that if it were to occur, will have a **serious** impact on the project achieving its desired result. To the extent that one or more stated outcome objectives will not be achieved. |
| 4 | 4 | A risk event that if it were to occur, will have a **significant** impact on the project achieving its desired result. To the extent that one or more stated outcome objectives will fall below acceptable levels. |
| 3 | 3 | A risk event that if it were to occur, will have a **moderate** impact on the project achieving its desired result. To the extent that one or more stated outcome objectives will fall below goals but above minimum acceptable levels. |
| 2 | 2 | A risk event that if it were to occur, will have a **minor** impact on the project achieving its desired result. To the extent that one or more stated outcome objectives will fall below goals but well above minimum acceptable levels. |
| 1 | 1 | A risk event that if it were to occur, will have a **minimal** impact or **no** impact on achieving outcome objectives. |

# Gantt Chart:

# Diagrams:

# Test Plans:

# Conclusions & Future Work:

# References:

# Individual Contributions:

# Overall Reflection:

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