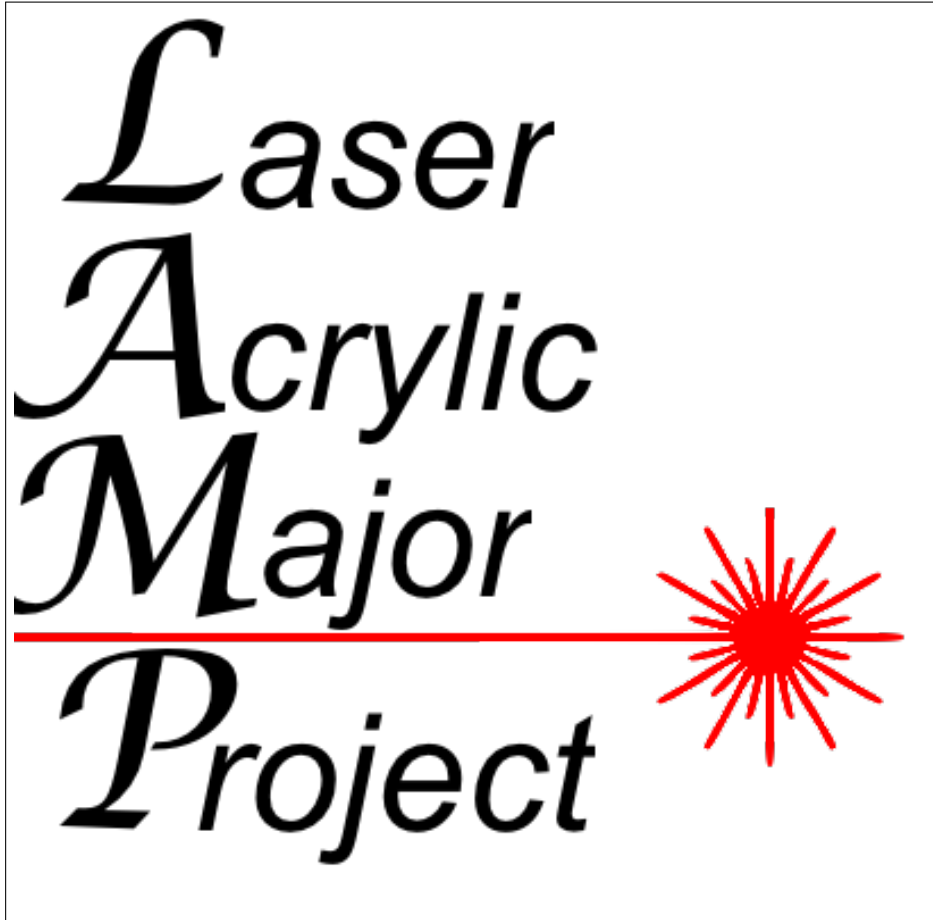


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Chapter 1

Defining the Problem

1.1 Client Details¹

1.1.1 Clients

Sydney Boys High School is an academically selective high school conducted by the NSW Department of Education. The school is led by the senior executive team, comprising the Principal, Dr Kim Jaggar, and Deputy Principals Ms Rachel Powell and Mr Robert Dowdell. The executive staff of nine Head Teachers and the twelve School Administration Officers led by Senior Administrative Manager Ms Sharon Kearns, support the senior executive. The school has three main offices - in the Main Building, in the Ken Andrews Library and in McDonald Wing. Finance, purchasing, enrolment and general inquiries are handled in the main building. Secretarial and network services are the responsibility of the McDonald Wing office. The clients for this project will be Ms Dam, Mr Comben and Dr Jaggar. Ms Dam and Mr Comben moderate the use of the laser cutter machine and are both teachers in the Industrial Arts department with Ms Dam being the head teacher. They are seeking a better system regarding the use of the laser cutter, especially with cutting trophies for their respective sports. Dr Jaggar is the principal of SBHS, who will be financing the project. Additional users include all other staff at SBHS and all current students of SBHS, however only Staff that are MIC of sports and other extracurricular activities will have access to the creation of trophies. Other staff and students will have access to the template creator only.

1.1.2 Current System

In the current system, all laser cutting requests are handled by the IA staff over email or in person. Individuals send their design files into to the IA staff or go in person to cut their objects with supervision. Only limited number

¹Client Details by Jack

of students and teachers have access to the system, and each job must be signed off by someone from the IA staff. Before laser cutting, the file must be checked manually by staff to ensure for correctness, and an often trial-and-error approach is used to ensure the correct settings are applied to each line type. Material is then aligned in the laser cutter, and the piece is cut, a process that can take between 5 minutes to several hours, depending on the complexity and size of the job. Only one job can be cut at once. There is no tracking of jobs, relying on email and paper to track jobs in progress and in queue. Currently, they use a program to help generate one type of template, the school trophy, although this program lacks several features, explored in the interview.

1.2 Client Needs Research²

1.2.1 Interview

Interview with Mr Comben (MIC, IA Teacher)

Q: How many physical Awards are given out each year

A: The number varies through the years, but for rifle shooting in particular, there are mainly perpetual awards. For these, we would be looking for brass laser cut plaques.

Q: How much area in the budget is there for extra trophies?

A: Keeping in mind of the cost factor, including the cost for a teacher to operate the laser cutter, as well as the material, there is most likely not that much money available for many of the sports. I know rifle shooting has no area in the budget for extra trophies.

Q: How can we make the laser cutting process more efficient?

A: Look for vector-based fonts, this would allow faster cutting. You want faster cutting speeds to minimise the time spent waiting at the cutter. Also, try to make a reference-based system, this way the amount of time spent setting up the cutting process.

Q: What would be some improvements from the previous system that you would recommend?

A: The old system was very good, although due to the time constraint had many flaws. I would recommend an easier GUI. The old GUI was hard to navigate, and I believe there were some areas that were not functional. Also, the system of setting up the laser cutter took up a large bulk of time. If you can find a way to align the cutter easier, that would be good. Also, the

²Interview by Shourov

workflow from AutoCAD is very unreliable, I would recommend exporting in illustrator

Q: What were some advantages in terms of resources from the previous system?

A: I can't say for sure about the budgetary resources saved, but I can say for sure that in the long term, the money saved would easily pay off the laser cutter. Also, the program has inspired a great deal of the industrial tech classes, we now have year 8's playing around with the potential of the cutter which is great.

Q: Do you have anything you want to see from our program?

A: I would like to see a function that would allow the user to nominate a folder of files that are ready to laser cut, and give the user detailed feedback on the user. Such as, this user has 90% black line in his work, and would take a long time to finish. This would allow us to check the jobs, and let it be easier to pass works.

Interview with Ms Dam. (MIC, Supervisor, Head of Industrial Arts)

Q: What are the costings of using the laser cutter in reference to the program used last year to create the trophies?

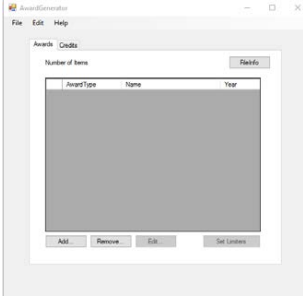
A: Last year, the trophies printed was a great success, especially considering the fact that it was the first year to use the laser cutter. The cost was of course the cost of the trophies from its original source. The profit came from the comparison of the cost of a teacher to be printing and the cost of printing the trophies elsewhere. The cost of a teacher is around \$400 a day whereas each trophy would cost \$10 elsewhere. Hence, if we could print 40 trophies a day, we would be making a profit, which we easily reached.

Q: What would you want to see from our program?

A: From your program I'd like to see it be a lot less time consuming. I would like to spend less time setting up the cutter and more time watching it cut. This would be done as Mr Comben said, to use a reference point system. Also, I would like to see a cleaner GUI.

Needs

Needs	Objectives
Must store > 50 different records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Store > 50 different templates in a database • Store > 50 users, clients • Store fonts and different shapes
An editor to create templates	<p>A drag and drop interface supporting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • text with different fonts • circles • rectangles • lines
Use a variety of different materials	Program must indicate the material and settings to use on the laser cutter OR setting these values automatically before a job.
Be cost effective (manpower, trophy cost)	<p>The program must be efficient in the usage and process of its materials. For example, when engraving school trophies for Sydney Boys High School.</p> <p>Assuming that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each trophy laser cut saves \$10 • A working day is 5 hours long. • The cost of a Teacher is \$400 a day <p>Then, the program must be optimised such at LEAST 8 trophies can be cut per hour.</p>
Minimum Manual work to save time	Program must assist the user in aligning the job in the laser cutter. Previously this was done manually with callipers.
Improvement on printing capabilities of the last product	<p>To increase efficiency of the cutter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce Raster lines • Increase Vector Lines • No double lines • Vector-based fonts

Needs	Objectives
Improved GUI usability	<p>Current GUI has many issues, that must be rectified in the solution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard to navigate • Limited Usage • No tutorial • Some functions don't work like keybindings • Hard to line up 
Export/Import to Illustrator and Autocad	Ability to export/import files compatible with illustrator AND/OR AutoCAD or other popular cad programs
Check Illustrator files for efficiency	<p>A process that reads in an Illustrator file and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reads all linetypes in the file • Compiles linetypes in numerical data • Quantitatively assesses linetype data • Provides estimate on print time • Displays linetype data in readable format

Needs	Objectives
Ability to search and sort templates	<p>Ability to attach a number of tags to each template, which can be filtered by the user</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Template name • Template creator • Date created/Approved • Item ID • Template material • Purpose, e.g. athletics, rifle shooting
Different levels of access	<p>3 levels of access, with each level having all the permissions of the levels below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student (Lowest): can submit templates to be approved then used by teachers/administrators • Teachers: can also submit jobs to administrators for approval, who run the laser cutter. Can also approve templates. • Administrators: have all permissions, can view all information and approve all jobs/templates, to be cut by the laser cutter.

Specifications

The school computers are mostly Dell ThinkCentre machines, with the following specifications

CPU	Intel® Pentium® CPU G3220 @ 3.00 (GHz)
RAM	8192MB (8GB)
Graphics Adapter	Intel® HD Graphics
Operating System	Windows 10 Pro

Therefore, program requirements should include:

	Minimum Requirements	Recommended Requirements
CPU	Dual Core 2 GHz+	Quad Core 3 GHz+
RAM	512 MB	4GB
Operating System (Client)	Windows 7	Windows 7, 8, 10
Dependencies (Client)	NET Framework 4.0	NET Framework 4.0
Operating System (Server)	Windows 7, MacOSX 4.0, Ubuntu 16.04+	Windows 7+, Ubuntu 16.04+

- We chose to limit the Client Program to the Windows operating system, all the school computers run windows exclusively. However, the server software must be cross platform, as servers are often run from a variety of OS's (Linux, windows etc.)
- The program should run well on school computers, as they meet both the minimum and recommended requirements.

1.3 Feasibility Study ³

1.3.1 Market feasibility

The proposed plan is to design a software product that will use the laser cutting machine to produce physical products. The project involves several industries: software design, industrial production / manufacturing and product design.

The low volume and DIY (Do it yourself) manufacturing market has flourished, due to the higher availability and the diminishing costs associated with manufacturing. Flexible Manufacturing Systems (FMS), like the laser cutter or 3D printer allow for arbitrary objects to be created from computer-aided designer (CAD) files.

Currently, solutions on the marketplace include: 2D CAD programs, which although work with the laser cutter, becomes inconvenient and inefficient when producing a large quantity of objects with variations, and complex templating solutions which require a significant amount of programming and technical expertise. The project involves using a program

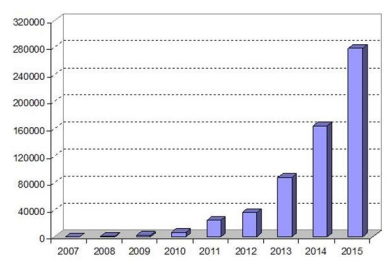


Figure 1.1: Desktop 3D printers sold. Source: Wohlers Report 2016

³Feasibility Study by Jack

to aid in the generation and production of files that are sent to the laser cutter. There are few or no off-the-shelf type programs that achieve this, as laser cutting is often a specialised and expensive industrial process. It is often cumbersome for students and teachers to create multiple copies of a single object, which the program seeks to automate Conclusion: LAMP focuses on the niche in the market. There are few commercial programs that help with low volume production, a market that has boomed in the last five years. Since the demand for such a software is increasing and there are few competitors, this program will have a well-defined target market, and is market feasible.

1.3.2 Technical feasibility

There are many technical components that need to be researched and experimented on beforehand to ensure that the project's success. Fortunately, the laser cutting project developed last year can be used as a proof of concept, with many technical barriers solved which can be ported over to the new program (existing software). Designer Technology: LAMP will include a designer that allows editing of templates dynamically inside the program. It will essentially be a 2D only CAD screen, with options for lines, circles, boxes, shapes and text. Text may be in different sizes and fonts. The designer will allow the three different cutting types to be specified for individual elements (vector cut, vector engrave, raster engrave). This will then be saved in a custom format (.spiff file), which contains all the data required to store the required template. Placeholder elements can be specified in the .spiff file, so that the template can be filled in automatically through the program with a list of names, or years.

- Basic 2D CAD interface
 - rendering of elements onto screen
 - optimization to run on lower-powered computers
 - real dimensions (cm/mm)
 - zoom
 - different modes (cutting, engraving)
- custom file type
 - .SPF file contains data on placeholder elements (text that needs to be replaced) and also line/box data
 - read and write .SPF files

1.3.3 AutoCAD/Illustrator Interoperability

The .SPF file will need to be exported to illustrator (.ai) and/or AutocAD (.dxf) files to be used by the laser cutter. The program will also need to

be able to take a list of names/years from a document file, using this data to replace the placeholder elements on a template, and layout the template a variable amount of time in the output file in an optimum matter, taking into account the total space in the laser cutter. Manual alignment will also be possible.

- export to vector format (ai/dxf)
 - writing/reading design files
 - generating different vector lines
 - vector fonts
 - vector lines and curves
- read/write document files (.docx, .xlsx, .csv)
- layout of multiple copies of template

1.3.4 Utility and calibration

The program will have error-checking algorithms on .AI files, to ensure it has lines that are compatible with the laser-cutter.

- read/write illustrator files
 - file checking algorithm for illustrator files

1.3.5 Laser cutter machine

The laser cutter machine is a complex piece of hardware, capable of cutting thin material via vector lines, and engraving with both vector and raster modes available. The laser bed or cutting space is 450 x 600mm, which will limit the maximum number of trophies cut at once. It uses a 50 watt, 10—TODO—m laser, and the materials it can cut are thin woods and plastics, but it can engrave a variety of materials, including plastics, woods and glass.

- Capabilities of the laser cutter
 - engraves plastics, woods and glass
 - cuts thin woods and plastics
- Size of the laser cutter (450 x 600mm)
- Safety of operation

1.3.6 School Systems

LAMP stores the approved templates which are available to anyone using the program and the jobs in queue in a server. This may be run locally on the school server, or in a cloud server hosted on SaaS platforms. The files and credentials of users will need to be encrypted, to increase the safety of the system, and some basic measures need to be taken to stop hacking or denial of service (DOS) attempts. This server will come as a separate executable to the client system used by the end user. The client software will need to be able to run on school computers, which mostly have dual-core intel processors with between 8 to 16 gigabytes of ram. Approval from the school's IT staff may be required to install LAMP's client software.

- Server Software (if required)
 - file and credential encryption
 - serve requests to list all approved templates
 - unblocked from school internet
 - needs to be secure and reliable
- Client Software
 - may need administrator permissions to install on school systems (ask IT).
 - will connect to the server through the internet, or the schools internal intranet.
 - optimization to run on school's computers

Conclusion

There are a large number of technical challenges to solve in order for lamp to succeed. Fortunately, several of these have already been addressed in the previous program, and the Industrial Arts staff at school understand the laser cutting system, providing enough information to explain many of the laser-cutting related problems. Over the holidays and throughout the year, research will need to be done on the schools systems, the designer interface and our custom file type. Thanks to the previous program and our teams previous experience with working on the laser cutter, we will be able to focus on these issues instead, reducing the amount of work needed. Overall, the program will be technically feasible.

1.3.7 Financial feasibility

A middle-end laser cutting machine is an expensive instrument, coming around between \$20,000 - \$100,000. There are cheaper alternatives, but they are slower and/or less precise. However, as the school already has

bought a laser cutter, the costs are mostly maintenance and teacher time. The original trophy system can be used as a proof of concept, and has proven to be cost effective. Expanding this system to other awards may allow for even more cost saving. Awards for different sports account for a significant savings. Costs can be further reduced by bulk buying many trophies from overseas. Take for example the previous program, which focused on a particular trophy, the School Trophy. Initially it had cost the school 135\$ per trophy, including raw material and engraving costs. However, a blank trophy can be sourced for 15\$, and engraved on the school's cutter. Given that the hourly rate for teachers is 80\$ per hour, with each school trophy taking approximately 15 minutes of time, and producing a trophy in-house would cost 35\$, or a 75% decrease in cost. LAMP will decrease the time required to setup and cut the trophy, and also allow for other types of trophies to be cut through its templating system, which the old system could not do.

We will require some material and test awards to experiment with the abilities of the laser cutter, which needs to be accounted into our budget. Other costs may include licensing libraries, distribution costs and/or server maintenance. However, even with all these costs factored in, the in-house production of trophies along with other objects will still be cost-effective, saving the school thousands of dollars per annum.

The system will have some server setup and maintenance costs - however, this will be low, as it can be hosted on the school's existing servers or through inexpensive cloud providers. The program will not need much processing power, and will not handle a large amount of data, further reducing the server costs. Other setup costs include install time and storage space for LAMP's client software. A developer may be hired to continue to maintain the program after its release, and to fix any bugs discovered after.

LAMP will require a significant amount of developer time, and falling into the medium range in terms of software, probably costing between \$20,000 - \$60,000, based off several other custom software projects. Developer time costs between 75\$ to 200\$ per hour, and the project overall will take around 200-300 hours. The software will be licensed to the school, and may be licensed to multiple schools and businesses. A fee will be charged per user per year, with business subscriptions including priority tech support and user management features. There will be 3 tiers: individual licence will be between 10-30\$ per year for 1 individual, small business (10-1000 users) for 20-40\$ per year per user, and large businesses negotiated separately. Small and large business are also given a copy of the server software that can be setup on their own servers to serve their organisation's users. This copy will be completely separate from the systems of other businesses, allowing queued jobs and credentials to be kept separately.

Conclusion

The project's main expenses are developer time, and will cost approximately \$40,000. This will be recouped by licensing the software to multiple business and individuals, and charging a yearly fee, which will also help pay the maintenance developers. For the business, LAMP will decrease operational costs by automating parts of the laser cutting process. Therefore, LAMP is financially feasible.

1.3.8 Operational feasibility

Users

Users may include teachers and some select students. Teachers will be able to use the program to quickly and easily submit a set of awards for some students. The process should not be changed significantly: the list of students will be sent to the program instead of emailed to an awards seller. The user interface will need to be reliable, consistent and uncomplicated, especially the template designer, which will allow both students and teachers to create the shapes and text without beforehand knowledge of the intricacies of CAD programs and the laser cutter. Little training will be required to use the system for users - pick a template, give some names, submit job. This information will be provided by video tutorials, reference manuals and online help. On-call tech support may be available for business users. Users are able to design templates and/or submit jobs, depending on the permissions given to the user by an administrator.

Administrators

Administrators/IA staff will manage and approve request from the users. This will take a significant amount of time, that would otherwise be spent on teaching. To reduce the impact this has, the program will attempt to automate many of the intermediary steps in setting up the laser cutter, and allow for less time calibrating the machine, a process that takes 10-20 minutes each set of trophies. It will also use more efficient processes to reduce the production time. The program will first be tested on only the industrial arts staff, to ensure the time required to process these trophies will not be an overwhelming amount of work. Administrators have the highest level of access to the program, with permissions to approve both submitted jobs and submitted templates, create and manage users and other administrators, reset passwords etc. This will require a significant amount of training, through video tutorials, reference manuals and online help, with tech support available for businesses. An administrator will require experience with the laser cutter, as they must physically set up the material on the laser cutter in accordance to the current job.

Conclusion

For users, the program will require very little training. This means that it will be easy to introduce new users to the system. Administrators will require significant training; however, the industrial arts staff are already accustomed to the laser cutter, easing this process. Support will be given in the form of video tutorials, reference manuals, online support, with on-call technical support for businesses. Overall, this system will not require much training.

1.3.9 Social and ethical feasibility

The program will handle some sensitive data from users - their full name, email, passwords, secret questions and/or contact information will be required by the program in order to operate. This will be stored on the client's computers, and on LAMP's server software if applicable. Security will need to be kept in mind to prevent unauthorized access to this sensitive data, through extra security measures taken on the client's computers, e.g. anti-virus software, correct user privileges, and in the program, e.g. encryption of database, authentication through passwords. Additional server software provides another vector for attackers, and appropriate security measures, like https will need to be used to ensure communications between the program and the server are safe, and to prevent access from unauthorized users. Care will need to be taken to ensure the privacy of the information given to the program by preventing unauthorized access. The program should be as inclusive as possible: this would require the program work on lower-powered machines, have an easy and under stable user interface, and users with disabilities considered. Copyright and intellectual property is another possible issue, with appropriate credit given and/or licenses obtained from code included from another source. The program may reduce the amount of time spent laser cutting, but since laser cutting is a secondary job to teaching at Sydney Boys High School, its effect will be negligible on the workforce.

1.3.10 Conclusion

The privacy of users will need to be considered when developing the solution. Appropriate measures need to be taken to prevent unauthorized access. The software should be inclusive to all users, by altering the user interface to suit the needs of individuals. Intellectual property rights of others need to be considered in the program.

1.3.11 Overall Feasibility

the issues mentioned with this feasibility study will need to be resolved, but all essential components of the program will be met in the time period set

in the Gantt chart

1.3.12 Possible Solutions

Aim: To better use the laser cutting system by simplifying the process required to design and cut objects, and allowing teachers and students limited access into the system.

1. "Upgrade" Approach

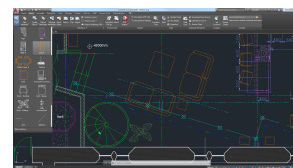
This approach would see the original trophy generation revisited and revamped to fix issues outlined by staff. In addition, new features could be added, like support for different shapes or awards, and improvements could be made to the GUI to increase its useability. This program would only be accessible and usable by IA staff to generate shapes, which can then be rendered by Illustrator a format the laser cutter can use.



- Low cost, complexity and maintenance required
- Code reuse, which decreases development time and cost
- Similar to system already in use, reduced training required

2. "Designer" Approach

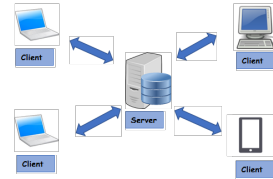
This approach requires a custom piece of software to be created, and is similar to the system already in use in the school. Using a program to generate a known-good file will allow IA staff to skip several steps in the laser cutting process. However, this incurs additional cost, both in development/setup time and cost. Some basic training and documentation will also need to be provided to the industrial arts teachers using the program. This solution does not attempt to track the created files, relying on email or another form of communication to send and receive files.



- Design tool that loads much faster than AutoCAD and uses less resources
- Specialised user interface that contains only the tools required for laser cutting templates
- File checking features to ensure linetypes are correct
- Automates some printing settings to the laser cutter

3. “Server-Client” Approach

This approach uses a server to store templates and jobs that users can edit and use. Using a server allows easier communication between the end-users and the IA staff, but incurs additional cost and setup complexity. Using a server also entails an additional, recurring cost of hosting the server. Security over the net could also be an issue, and care will need to be taken to avoid access by unauthorized individuals over the internet. On the other hand, the server-client approach will allow for better tracking of individual jobs, centralization of users to ensure only the correct people have access to the program through user login and server-side checking of files. This system also may allow users/administrators to use the system from multiple places, as long as there is a working internet connection Features:



- Loads much faster than AutoCAD and uses less resources
- Specialised user interface that contains only the tools required for laser cutting templates
- File checking features to ensure linetypes are correct
- Automates some printing settings to the laser cutter
- Templates on server can be accessed from anywhere with an internet connection
- Tracking of jobs that are in queue or complete
- User and Administrator management

The client has chosen option 3 The client would like to choose Option 3. Option 1 is far too basic and not really an the current system. Option 2 again is not an improvement on the current system, as we already use a server. Option 3 contains many new features that could help improve the efficiency of laser cutting, despite the extra cost.

1.4 Rights Research ⁴

A software licence determines the use and redistribution of software. It determines how the software can be used by the purchaser of the software, often called the licensee, and may protect the developer legally from damage caused by the software.

⁴Section by Max

There are several types of licences:

- Public domain
- Open source (FOSS) licences
- Freeware / Shareware
- Proprietary

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Copyright retained	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Right to perform	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Right to display	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Right to copy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Often	No	No
Right to modify	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Right to distribute	Yes	Yes, under same license	Yes, under same license	Often	No	No
Right to sublicense	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
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1.4.1 IP rights

Waxy LASER Solutions retains all intellectual property rights to the software. This is necessary so that the program can be licensed to other businesses, and to allow the program to be maintained by our team in the future.

1.4.2 Contract

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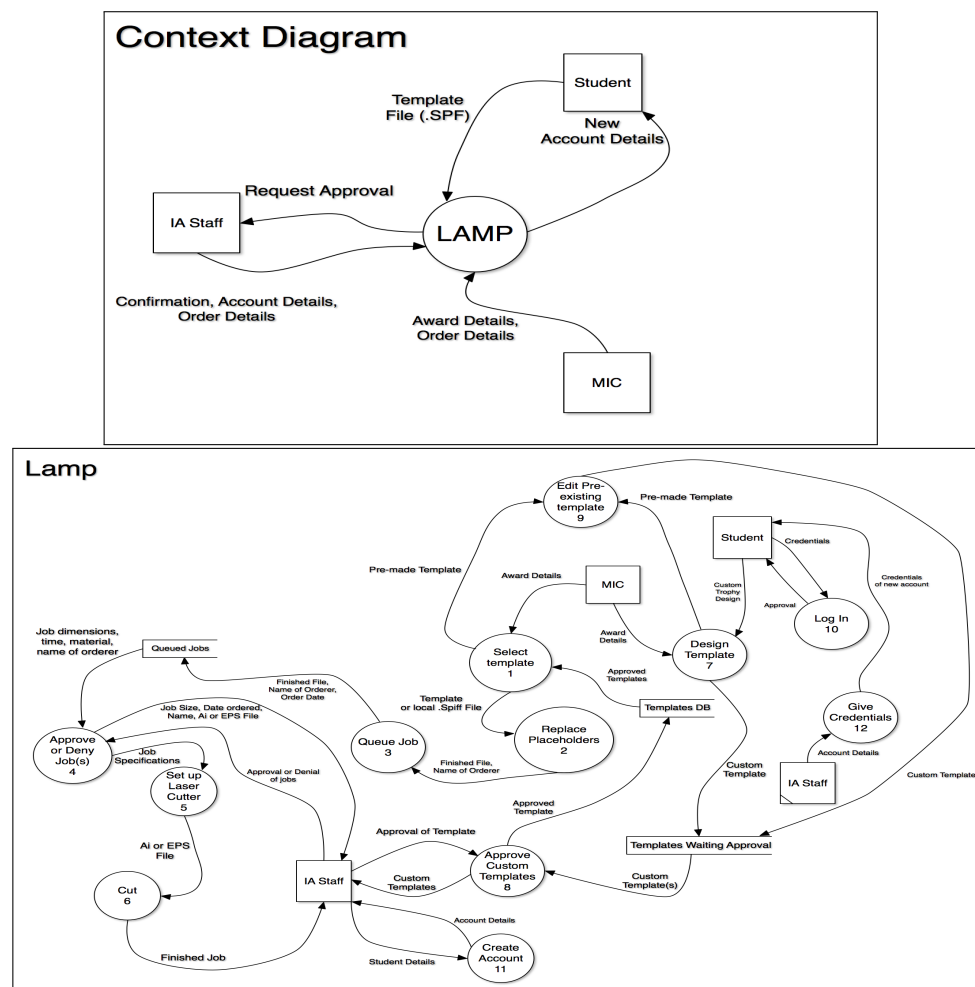
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Chapter 2

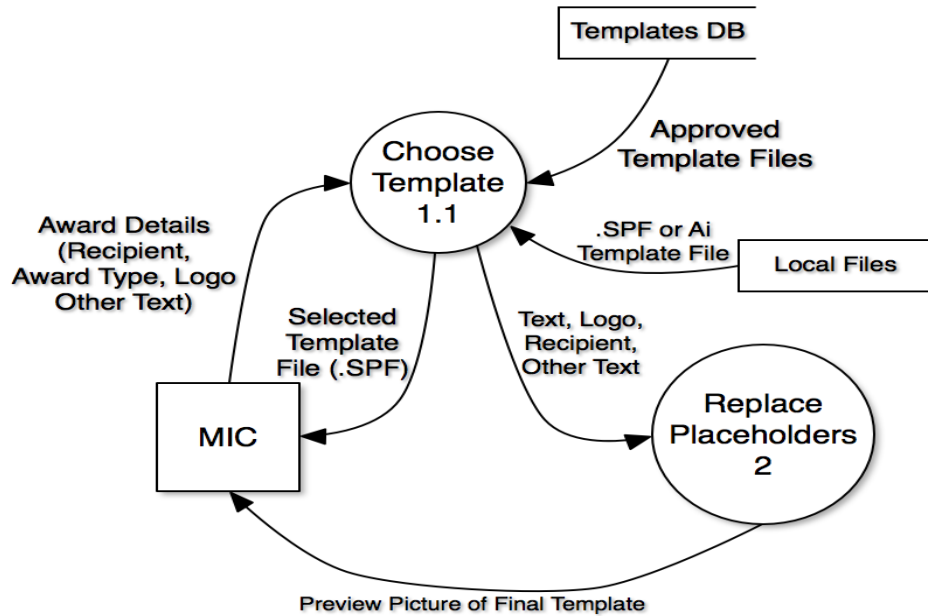
Planning and Designing

2.1 Context Diagram and Data flow diagrams ¹

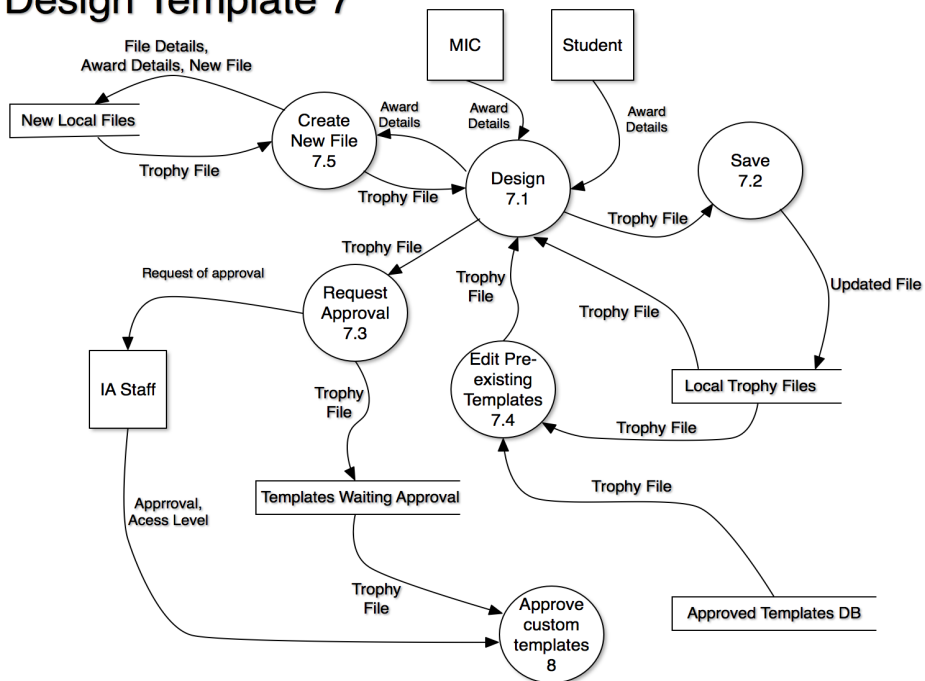


¹Context and DFD by Max

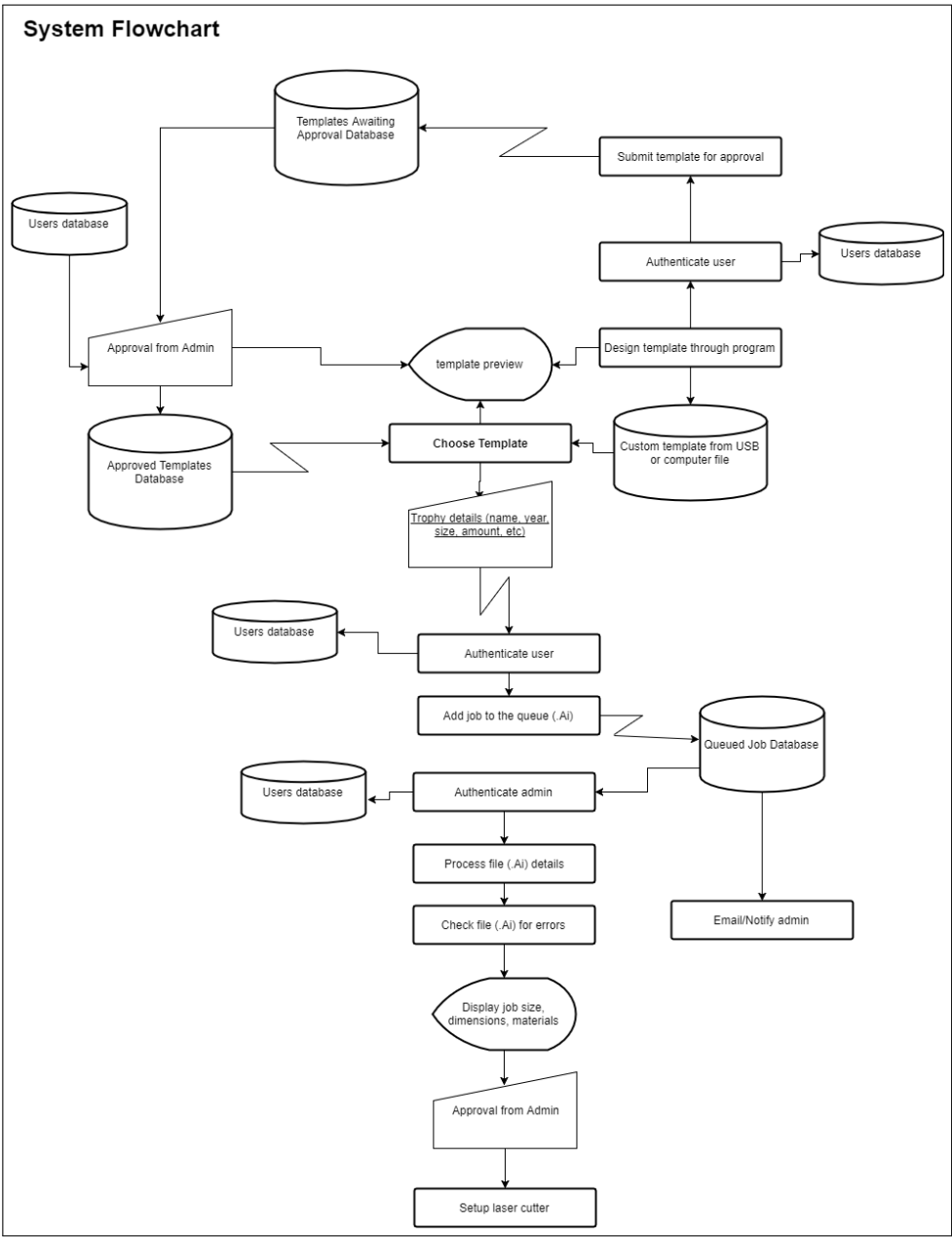
Select Template 1



Design Template 7



2.2 System Flowchart ²



²System Flowchart By Jack

2.3 IPO Chart ³

2.3.1 Select Template

Input	Process	Output
Array of SPF files	Obtains Template From Database Displays all template designs in the template database Client selects appropriate template from the database	Partial SPF File containing data for the template selected
Names (string) Number of Awards (int) Args*(vary)	Adds Data to the SPF file containing the type of template already chosen <i>* based on the template chosen, the user will be prompted for certain data. An example is for a trophy that requires both a name and a score. The user will be prompted to enter the name as well as the score. If left blank, the input will be considered invalid unless otherwise specified.</i>	Complete SPF File containing both the selected template data as well as the variation data specified by the user

³IPO Chart by Shourov

2.3.2 Design Template

Input	Process	Output
Array of SPF files	Creates Template from Selection Selection From Client <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented as a selection GUI • Displays all template designs in the template data base • Client selects appropriate template from the database 	Partial SPF File containing data for the template selected
Raw AI / EPS Template File	Edits Template with Graphical Editor Graphical Editor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Editor Based off of CAD software • Tools include Line creation • Ability to add images • Ability to add dynamic text ⁴ • Ability to add static text ⁵ • Ability to create CUT lines and ENGRAVE lines 	AI / EPS Template File
Login / Password (string)	Authenticates User	Authentication Level (Admin / Teacher / Student)
AI / EPS Template File Authentication level of Client(integer)	Sends to get verified	None

⁴Dynamic text is text which is different for each job from the template file. An example of Dynamic text is the name on a trophy

⁵Static text is text which appears on every job from the template file. An example of Static text is the year on a trophy

2.3.3 Queue Job

Input	Process	Output
Login / Password (String)	Authentication	Authentication Level (Admin / Teacher / Student)
SPF File containing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Template Selected from Template Database • Variation Data unique to the job required to client • Authentication level of Client • Client Details 	Add to Job Queue Database	Reponse code

2.3.4 Approve Job

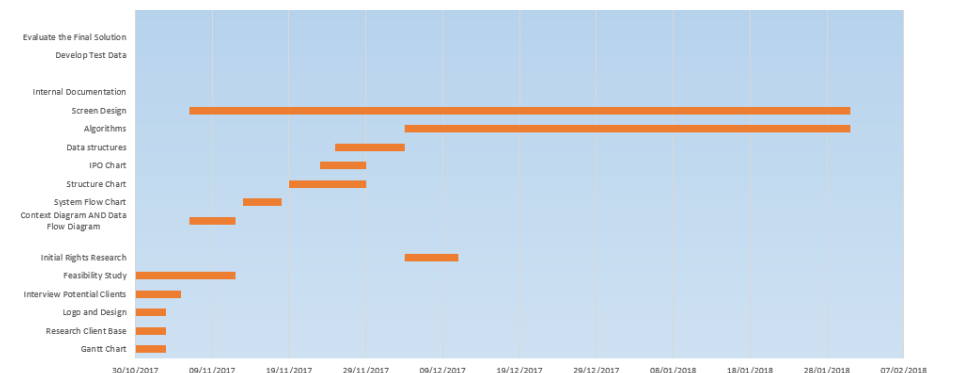
Input	Process	Output
Login / Password (String)	Authentication	IF Authentication level is not Admin deny Approval ability
SPF File from Job Queue DB	Approval Process Admin level client will see <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preview of SPF File • Line weight detail of the SPF file • Authentication level of the user • Client Details 	IF Approved the job is sent to a folder to be laser cut The SPF File is converted to AI / EPS files to match the format of the Laser Cutter. If required, the job is split into multiple files IF Not Approved the job is deleted

2.3.5 Set Up Laser Cutter

Input	Process	Output
Login / Password (String)	Authentication	IF Authentication level is not Admin deny Approval ability
AI / EPS File	Laser Cutter Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Admin must place the resource within the Laser Cutter • Open the files on the Laser Cutter computer • Print via Laser Cutter printer to the Laser Cutter • Remain by the Laser Cutter until the job is finished • Remove finished job and replace material if need be 	Final Job

2.4 Gantt Chart ⁶

Task Name	Marks	Member	Start Date	End Date	Duration	Complete	Notes
Gantt Chart	5	Shourov	30/10/2017	03/11/2017	4	✓	
Research Client Base	10	Jack	30/10/2017	03/11/2017	4	✓	
Logo and Design	-	Max	30/10/2017	03/11/2017	4	✓	
Interview Potential Clients	10	Shourov	30/10/2017	05/11/2017	6	✓	
Feasibility Study	10	Jack	30/10/2017	12/11/2017	13	✓	
Initial Rights Research	10	Jack	04/12/2017	11/12/2017	7	✓	
Context Diagram AND Data Flow Diagram	10	Max	06/11/2017	12/11/2017	6	✓	
System Flow Chart	5	Jack	19/11/2017	19/11/2017	5	✓	
Structure Chart	10	Shourov	19/11/2017	29/11/2017	10	✓	
IPO Chart	10	Shourov	23/11/2017	29/11/2017	6	✓	Redoing for End Date : 9/02/2018
Data structures	15	Jack	25/11/2017	04/12/2017	9	✓	Redoing for End Date : 9/02/2018
Algorithms	20	Everyone	04/12/2017	31/01/2018	58	✓	Redoing for End Date : 9/02/2018
Screen Design	15	Max	06/11/2017	31/01/2018	86	✓	
Internal Documentation	15	Everyone					
Develop Test Data	10	Everyone					
Evaluate the Final Solution	10	Max					



⁶Gantt Chart by Shourov