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Introduction

1.1 Introduction

This report is made in the curse ITAMS on Engineering Collage of Aarhus. It is made by Nicolai Glud and Johnny Kristensen and describes the project outlined by the group.

1.2 What is Geocaching?

Geocaching is a modern form of treasure hunt. The goal of geocaching is to find hidden "caches" which other people have hidden. Data and puzzles about the caches can be found on a website og via. various apps to phones, tablets and pc's. Normally some GPS coordinates are given and from that you have to find the "cache".

The following cite is from www.geocaching.com:

"Geocaching is a real-world, outdoor treasure hunting game using GPS-enabled devices. Participants navigate to a specific set of GPS coordinates and then attempt to find the geocache (container) hidden at that location."

1.3 Full featured system

The full featured system is meant to be a fully blown geocaching dedicated device. We imagine features like being able to plot the route you were just on, via your PC at home, to code several caches in so the system automatically can point to the nearest cache.

1.4 Project description

1.5 Referenced documentation

1.6 Glossary & abbreviations

1.7 Introduction

GeoDude is a project with geocaching in mind. The project is developed in respect to the course ITAMS. Geocaching is a type of treasure hunt where you look for caches with a set of coordinates. By making a handheld

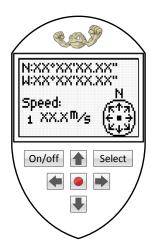


Figure 1.1. Geodude handheld device

unit that can get coordinates and your heading we seek to create a device useful for modern day treasure hunters.

1.8 Project description

Er det ikke det der står i Introduction? Skal det flyttes eller hvad?

1.9 Project boundaries

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1.10 Datasheets

The following datasheets have been used for the following components:

Magnetometer: HMC6352.pdf

Screen: Nokia5110.pdf

GPS module: RGM-2000_user_manual.pdf

The datasheets can be found in appendix.

1.11 Glossary & abbreviations

Term/abbreviation	Definition

Technical considerations

The following chapter contains our technical considerations and choices along with advantages and disadvantages for the possible alternative solutions.

2.1Technical considerations and choices

One of the first technical considerations we made was to add the magnetometer to the project. We decided that while it is nice to know where you are by GPS location, it is useless without knowing which direction you are going.

The system was supposed to have some sort of input where you could write the location where you wanted to go and then the system would point you to the location. This feature would also measure your speed towards the location and a possible time of arrival. This feature was scrapped because of the inability to bring a keyboard or likewise into the field (It would be unhandy).

2.2Possible alternative solutions

2.3 Extension

A possible extension could be the ability to extract data from your walk or run that has been recorded by the system. This could be done by connecting the system to a computer with USB or RS232.

Another possible extension could be to enter a route on your computer and then upload it to the system.

System architecture 3

The system architecture is explained in the following chapter.

3.1 System description

The system can be split up to 4 subsystem: The magnetometer, the screen, the GPS module and the CPU. Together they form a system with a screen that reports your geographical location and the way you are heading.

3.2 System boundary

3.3 System block diagram

The General system can be by the following block definition diagram:

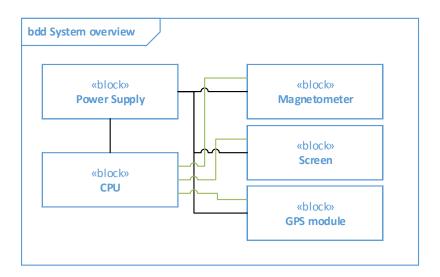


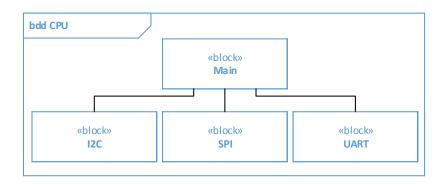
Figure 3.1. Block Definition Diagram of the system

3.3.1 CPU

We have chosen to work with the ATmega32 microcontroller. This will form the basis for our CPU. It has the following blocks:

3.4 System block diagram

The General system can be by the following block definition diagram:



 ${\it Figure~3.2.}$ Block Definition Diagram of the CPU

This will lead us to use the following pins: Logic levels are written as 0 - 5 V.

PIN	Description	Levels	Unit
VCC (10)	Supply	5 V	-
GND (11)	Ground	Ground	-
PB5 (06)	SPI MOSI	0 - 5 V	Screen
PB7 (08)	SPI CLK	0 - 5 V	Screen
PC0 (22)	I2C Clock line	0 - 5 V	Magnetometer
PC1 (23)	I2C Data line	0 - 5 V	Magnetometer
PD0 (14)	UART RXD	0 - 5 V	GPS module

3.4.1 Peripherals

Logic levels are written as 0 - 5 V.

The magnetometer:

PIN	Description	Levels
SCL	I2C Clock line	0 - 5 V
SDA	I2C Data line	0 - 5 V
VCC	Supply	5 V
GND	Ground	Ground

The screen:

PIN	Description	Levels
CLK	SPI Clock line	0 - 5 V
DIN	Data in (or MOSI)	0 - 5 V
VCC	Supply	3 V
GND	Ground	Ground
D/C	Data or Command	0 - 5 V
CS	Chip Select	0 - 5 V
RST	Reset	0 - 5 V
LED	Background light on display	3 V

The gps:

PIN	Description	Levels
TX	UART transfer data	0 - 5 V
VCC	Supply	5 V
GND	Ground	Ground

Acquired knowledge 4

The following chapter contains information about how we acquired the knowledge necessary to do the project work.

4.1 Magnetometer

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4.2 GPS module

The knowledge about pin assignments for the GPS module, RGM-2000, comes from the website: http://www.tobias-schlegel.de/?page_id=51&lang=en.

The communication settings were found in the User Manual (RGM-2000_user_manual.pdf which can be found in appendix):

Baud rate	: 4800
Data bit	: 8
Parity	: None
Stop bit	: 1
Flow control	: None

To understand the format output from the GPS module, NMEA-0183, we consulted the wikipedia site as well as observing on Tx in RealTerm (terminal software).

4.3 Screen

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Test results 5

In this chapter we present the most important test results.

5.1 Unit tests

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5.2 Full system test

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Conclusion 6

We conclude on a successful project.

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7.1 Appendix

Code:

Datasheets: