Vehicle Telemetry System (Working Title)

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# Declaration of Joint Authorship

We hereby declare that this technical report contains material that is the result of joint collaboration on the project. All of the team member have done their own research on the hardware and software components utilized in the project. As per the individual sensors used in the project (defined under requirements specifications), each team member has done their own extensive research on the sensor they have been assigned as well as performed data collection, analysis and interpretation on said sensor. Any key ideas involving each individual team members sensor has been written and drafted by themselves with critical revision from both the other team members. Research, primary contributions and experimental designs in regard to the PCB, physical wiring, enclosures, Raspberry Pi and Raspbian operating system will all be conducted, led, written and drafted by Kyele while taking into considerations any suggestions from other team members. The same outlines go for Sam and Kogul in regard to the android development and data linking portion of the project. As per the design and documentation of the database, all team members will help write and draft these sections. We declare that everything written in this technical report is the product of our own ideas and research. Any information that has been used or referenced from another source have been cited under the references section of the report. Finally, we, to the best of our knowledge claim that this report does not defy any copyright laws.

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# Abstract

In today’s modern society off road cars have always been a popular method of racing on designated tracks. They provide a thrill to the driver and can be very entertaining when done safe. But since it is like any other mechanical machine it tends to develop problems. There are many problems that could develop throughout the lifespan of a car and our telemetry system is intended to detect certain issues or keep track of certain data that could be beneficial to the cars mechanics or just give any information that the owner might request. The driver would be able to make quick and basic repairs based on the information that our system would provide saving time, energy ando cost. Our system involves four crucial components (described in the requirement specifications). Each sensor will be programmed to collect certain crucial data for the vehicle and will record all of it into a database where it can be accessed by the driver whether it be past or present. The data can be viewed through our mobile application on any android device where the user can log in to get access to there vehicles data. It will also record the data in some type of graph so they can compare past and future information to see whether there was a decline in performance. Thanks to the simplicity of our casing (described in the report) our system will be able to be installed simply to any vehicle. Our design is being set out to make the consumers life a bit easier as well as help the driver know the condition of their vehicle no matter where they are.

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# Introduction

Baja Racing is a design competition hosted by the Society of Automotive Engineers (S.A.E). It's a tournament where various college and universities student come together to compete in a dirt road type of track, building their own vehicle to the specifications of the S.A.E board. Most of the students who participate in this competition are mostly automotive engineering students. Most students are focused on one path only and have very little knowledge of electronics and computer programming which would put them at a disadvantage if there is any issues that develop because of those disadvantages.

The objective of this telemetry system is to make life easier for the buggy racers in detecting fault in their vehicle, it would be a fair and just race if all buggy vehicles had our telemetry system in it. leveling the playing field for all participants. some of the unique approach about the telemetry system is that it can be used in smart vehicles and not just on buggy races even in other means of transportation like ships, airplanes and trains. In buggy races, a lot of drivers are stuck with mechanical, electrical, functional issues that they have no clue where or how to deal with. Some don’t even know what is wrong with their vehicle, it just won’t start. With our telemetry system, all those worries, and woes will not be present as you have exactly what is wrong with your vehicle right there on your app.

With our telemetry system, the driver would be able to detect exactly what is wrong with their vehicle. Our device would provide real time data which is being fed into the driver’s app and would notify the driver of any changes that should be done prior to start of race. Priority is given to the most crucial problem, indicating to the driver what is hindering the total usability of the vehicle. With the temperature sensor, if the engine is overheating, the BME sensor would send data to the phone app indicating to the driver that something has to be done immediately to ensure smooth sailing of the vehicle.

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# Project Description

## Requirements Specifications

### Software

There are a few different types of software required for the project. The programming languages we will be using are Java (Android), Python and C. For the operating system on the Raspberry Pi we will be using Raspbian included with programming IDEs compatible with python and C and XRDP for remote access. All the software and connections on the Raspberry Pi will be setup by Kyele. The programming aspect of retrieving data from each of the sensors will be done as follows; Kyele – AMG8833, Kogul – PCF8591, Samuel – BME280. To develop the android application the most recent version of Android Studio is required as well as emulators running multiple different versions of android, Kit-Kat (4.4) or higher. Most of the development work for the application will be completed by Kogul and Samuel. Lastly, a firebase database that is capable of holding records every 5 minutes, 24/7 for up to 1 month is required which will be designed, created, and maintained as a joint effort.

### Hardware

The hardware includes a few main aspects which are; 3 different breakout board sensors, a Raspberry pi 3 (the development platform), smartphone running Android Kit-Kat (4.4) or higher and a 3D printed enclosure. Some other hardware requirements are an 8GB or higher micro SD card, a micro USB power cable for use with Raspberry Pi 3, PCB materials for connecting the sensors to the development platform and wall mounting brackets. As per the hardware work breakdown, each member is responsible for their own sensor; Kyele – AMG8833, Kogul – PCF8591, Samuel – BME280. They each have to completely understand how it functions and how it interacts with the development platform. This includes how it sends data, how it is powered and maximum and minimum specifications it can handle. As per the rest of the hardware, Kyele is responsible for designing the PCB required for connecting the sensors to the development platform with the help Sam and Kogul with their knowledge of the other sensors. He is also responsible for maintaining the Raspbian OS installed on the Raspberry Pi 3, such as installing any newly introduced software and performing updates and security patches. Each team member will have complete access to the Raspbian Operating System as we will all need to work on the software connections to the sensors. Lastly, all team members will work together on designing the final 3D printed enclosure.

# Conclusion

# Recommendations

# Bibliography

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