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PROJECT NAME: SHARPFRIDGE

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#	SOFTWARE NEEDS	DESCRIPTION
1	Operating System	Embedded OS: Provides the foundational software environment for running the refrigerator's control systems and user interface.
2	Application Software	 Control Software: Manages sensor data, adjusts cooling and humidity levels, and generates real-time alerts and notifications. User Interface Software
3	Networking Software	 Security Software: Encrypt communication channels and implement authentication mechanisms to secure user data and system access.
4	Firmware	 Device Firmware: Develop firmware for embedded systems to control hardware components, manage sensor data, and execute system logic.
5	Analytics and Reporting Software	 Data Analysis Tools: Analyze sensor data trends, identify patterns, and generate insights to optimize cooling and humidity settings. Reporting Software: Generate reports on temperature/humidity conditions, food storage durations, and system performance for compliance and decision-making purposes.
6	Integration Software	 API Integration Tools: Develop APIs to integrate SharpFridge with external systems such as inventory management software or smart home platforms. Middleware: Facilitate communication and data exchange between different software components within SharpFridge architecture

#	HARDWARE NEEDS	DESCRIPTION
1	Sensors	 Temperature Sensors: Monitor internal temperature to ensure optimal cooling conditions. Humidity Sensors: Measure humidity levels to maintain proper moisture content for stored food items. Infrared Sensors: Detect presence and movement of objects within the refrigerator for efficient energy usage and inventory management.

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3	Cooling System User Interface	 Compressor: Provides the cooling mechanism necessary to maintain low temperatures within the refrigerator. Evaporator: Facilitates the transfer of heat from the interior of the refrigerator to the external environment. Condenser: Converts refrigerant vapor into liquid to release heat outside the refrigerator. Display Panel: Provides a user-friendly interface for monitoring temperature, humidity, and system alerts. Input Devices: Allow users to input information such as food type, mass, and buying date for accurate monitoring and management.
4	Communication Equipment	 Wi-Fi Module: Enables connectivity for real-time monitoring, remote access, and data transmission to user devices. Ethernet Port: Provides wired network connectivity for reliable communication with external systems or servers.
5	Supporting Equipment	 Power Supply: Provides electrical power to operate the refrigerator system. Cooling Fans: Assist in maintaining airflow and temperature regulation within the refrigerator.
6	Data Storage	 Memory Modules: Store system configurations, user preferences, and historical data for analysis and optimization. ROM (Read-Only Memory): Utilized for storing system configurations, firmware, and critical software components that do not require frequent modification. ROM ensures data integrity and system stability. Disks: Hard disk drives (HDDs) or solid-state drives (SSDs) are employed for data storage, including logging sensor data, system logs, and user preferences. These disks provide non-volatile storage with varying capacities to accommodate historical data for analysis and optimization, as well as system backups.
7	Environmental Monitoring Equipment	 Air Quality Sensors: Monitor air quality to ensure freshness and prevent odors or contamination. Light Sensors: Detect ambient light levels to optimize energy usage and prevent food spoilage due to light exposure.
8	Power Management	 Voltage Regulator: Stabilize incoming power supply to ensure consistent operation of electronic components. Battery Backup: Provide backup power in case of power outages to maintain critical system functions and data integrity.
9	Physical Infrastructure	 Shelving Units: Organize food items within the refrigerator and optimize storage space. Door Seals: Ensure proper sealing to prevent temperature leakage and maintain consistent cooling efficiency.

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10	Safety Features	Door Alarm: Alert users when the refrigerator door is left
		open for extended periods to prevent temperature
		fluctuations and food spoilage.
		• Emergency Shut-off Switch: Enable immediate power cut-
		off in case of malfunction or safety concerns.

#	SUPPORT NEEDS	DESCRIPTION
1	Technical Support	 Assistance with hardware setup and integration. Guidance on software development and debugging. Troubleshooting assistance for sensor calibration and data interpretation.
2	Procurement Support	 Assistance in identifying reputable suppliers for hardware components. Support in negotiating contracts and securing favorable pricing for equipment procurement. Coordination with vendors to ensure timely delivery of hardware components.
3	IT Support	 Provision of network infrastructure for data transmission and remote access. Configuration of network security measures to protect sensitive data. Assistance with setting up cloud storage or server infrastructure for data storage and backup.
4	Training and Education:	 Training sessions for end users on how to operate SharpFridge effectively. Educational materials and documentation to assist users in understanding system functionalities and troubleshooting common issues. Ongoing support and updates to keep users informed about new features and best practices.
5	Maintenance and Service	 Scheduled maintenance services to ensure the continued functionality and efficiency of SharpFridge. Rapid response service in case of hardware or software malfunctions to minimize downtime. Warranty support for hardware components and repairs as needed.
6	Regulatory Compliance Support	 Guidance on regulatory requirements related to food safety and storage standards. Assistance in ensuring compliance with relevant industry regulations and standards. Documentation support for audits and inspections to demonstrate adherence to regulatory requirements.