

Module Interface Specification for MECHTRON 4TB6

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3 Introduction

The following document details the Module Interface Specifications for the Formulate system. Formulate enables teams to streamline data collection and storage, resulting in testing overhead reduction and increased control of raw test data gathered by automating aspects of the testing procedure.

Complementary documents include the System Requirement Specifications and Module Guide. The full documentation and implementation can be found at <https://github.com/ahmed-nazir/Capstone>.

4 MIS

This section describes all the modules and their respective classes and/or functions. It should be noted that exception handling only applies to some modules as some of them are automatically generated by external software and do not require error handling.

4.1 Module - ui_main.py

4.1.1 Description

Python file generated by PyQt designer which sets up the application's window and its design

4.1.2 Classes

Class: Ui_MainWindow() - Contains all methods for setting up the application's window and its static front end design

Methods	Parameters	Return
setupUi() - Takes a PyQt MainWindow object and sets up it's layout according to the ui file created in designer	Self, MainWindow [QMainWindow]	None
retranslateUi() - Sets the static text of the GUI's buttons and labels	Self, MainWindow [QMainWindow]	None

4.2 Module - ui_functions.py

4.2.1 Description

Imports all necessary libraries for backend functions, creates connection to database, and contains class for UI functions

4.2.2 Classes

Class: UIFunctions() - Contains the functions that are connected to buttons in the application's UI

Methods	Parameters	Return
toggleMenu() - Handles the animation for toggling the side menu	Self, maxWidth [integer], enable [boolean]	None
login_into_app() - Checks if the enter username/password are valid and correct and signs user into their account	Self	None
continue_signup() - Checks if all the sign up fields are valid and stores account/login details in database	Self	None
move_to_submit_test() - Ensures that only logged in users are allow to reach the submit test page	Self	None
browse_and_display_pictures() - Opens a popup where users are allowed to navigate through their file directory, select a picture, and display that picture in the UI	Self	None
upload_test.info() - Submits test data and user-inputed test information to the database, and uploads test picture to azure blob storage	Self	None
startTest() - Starts the test on the device and begins collecting data	Self	None
runProg() - Creates another thread which will allow the GUI to be operable while it is conducting tests	Self	None
stopTest() - Stops reading values from the Arduino and gathers all the data in a viewable table	Self	None
declineData() - Erases the data collected from the last test and does not submit it to the database	Self	None
submitData() - Submits data from the test to the Azure database	Self	None
retrieveData() - Retrieves data from the local onboard storage	Self	None
connect_wireless() - Connects to the device via Wi-Fi	Self	None
disconnect_wireless() - Disconnects the PC from the device Wi-Fi network	Self	None
connectWired() - Connects to the device via COM port (wired connection)	Self	None
disconnect_wired() - Disconnects from the COM port currently connect	Self	None
view_dashboard() - Directs user to PowerBi dashboard on their browser	Self	None
ping() - Retrieves the currently configured sensors and displays it for the user	Self	None
select_com() - Checks the current COM ports detected and displays them in a drop down	Self	None

Methods	Parameters	Return
make_config_page() - Loads the saved sensors in the configuration page drop down	Self	None
autofill_config() - Automatically fills out the fields in the sensor config menu when users select a saved sensor	Self	None
gen_config_sensors() - Generates the Arduino code if the fields are not empty	Self	None
saveConfiguration1() - Saves the sensor configuration for sensor 1 in savedSensors.json	Self	None
saveConfiguration2() - Saves the sensor configuration for sensor 2 in savedSensors.json	Self	None
saveConfiguration3() - Saves the sensor configuration for sensor 3 in savedSensors.json	Self	None
saveConfiguration4() - Saves the sensor configuration for sensor 4 in savedSensors.json	Self	None

4.2.3 Functions

Function	Parameters	Return
hash_new_password() - Generates a hashed password based on the user's inputted password	password [string]	salt [string], hashed_pass [string]
is_correct_password() - Checks if inputted password matches stored password in database	salt_hex [string], stored_hash [string], pass_to_check [string]	Boolean
connect_to_database() - Creates a connection to the database to be able to read and write values from the application to the database	None	conn [connection object], cursor [cursor object]

4.2.4 Exception Handling

Input validation of the user information and try/except statements are the main forms of exception handling. User fields for signing up are checked to ensure that they are not empty and that the password follows the rules of having 8 minimum characters and includes an alphabet, number, and a non-alphanumeric character. When logging in, inputted passwords are checked to ensure that they match the passwords stored in the database. In addition, most functions perform their work in a try statement and deal with errors in an except statement. Connectivity to the device and logged in state of users are checked before they are able to move to 'Start Test' and 'Submit Test' pages, respectively. Furthermore, checks for empty user fields or test information are checked before test data is submitted. If any of these conditions fail, an exception is raised which gets handled in the except statements. The except statements create an error popup with the appropriate message to signal to the user where they have gone wrong.

4.3 Module - `arduino_code_generator.py`

4.3.1 Description

This module generates Arduino code based on the user's inputs in the configure sensors page. It produces a `mainArduino.ino` file which the user can use to flash their Arduino.

4.3.2 Classes

Class: `CodeGenerator()` - Contains the functions that write the Arduino code

Methods	Parameters	Return
<code>generate()</code> - gets the data which give information on the sensors attached and generates the <code>mainArduino.ino</code> file	data	None

4.4 Module - main.py

4.4.1 Description

Imports backend functions and frontend setup of GUI. This is also used to start and run the desktop application

4.4.2 Classes

Class: MainWindow() - Initializes a PyQt main window that is defined in ui_main.py and connects the buttons in the desktop application's UI to backend functions defined in ui_functions.py

Methods	Parameters	Return
__init__() - Initializes the application and connects UI buttons to backend functions	Self	None
changeText() - Add text to menu buttons when toggling full side menu and vice-versa	Self	None

4.5 Module - resource_rc.py

4.5.1 Description

Python file generated by PyQt resource compiler and sets up all the PyQt resources (local images) to be displayed during runtime of application

4.5.2 Functions

Function	Parameters	Return
qInitResources() - Registers the raw byte data of each image to the Qt resource system	None	None
qCleanupResources() - Unregisters the raw byte data of each image to the Qt resource system	None	None

4.6 Module - mainArduino.ino

4.6.1 Description

This module runs on the Arduino and collects all the data from the various sensors connected to it. It also takes the data and sends it to the PC wired or wirelessly.

4.6.2 Functions

Function	Parameters	Return
setup() - Initializes all the sensors, SD card module and the serial communication lines between the PC and Wi-Fi module	None	None
loop() - This function reads data from the sensors and creates a bytestring to send to the PC	None	None

4.7 Module - mainESP8266.ino

4.7.1 Description

This module runs on the NodeMCU (ESP8266) and allows for the Arduino to send data to it and relay that information to the PC via Wi-Fi.

4.7.2 Functions

Function	Parameters	Return
setup() - Initializes the ESP8266 as a wireless access point so our PC can connect to it, it also initializes the serial port to allow for communication between the PC and Arduino	None	None
loop() - This function acts as a relay to pass information sent from the Arduino to the PC via TCP and also send information from the PC to the Arduino	None	None