

Based on the "Smart Helmet" Project Report provided, here is the detailed technical breakdown and testing plan.

1. Feature Definition

Application-Level Features (Web Dashboard / Cloud)

These features are user-facing, designed for fleet managers or safety supervisors to monitor the driver's status remotely.

- **Real-Time Dashboard:** Visualizes live driver status, active alerts, and connectivity status.

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- **Event Log & Replay:** Lists safety events (fatigue, distraction, crash) with timestamps and allows playback of the associated 10-20 second video clips.

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- **Driver Scoring System:** Calculates and displays safety scores and performance trends based on historical data.

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- **Data Visualization:** Graphs trending metrics for PERCLOS (fatigue) and distraction events over time.
- **User Management:** Administrative interface to manage driver profiles and device assignments.
- **Privacy Controls:** Tools to manage data retention, handle Data Subject Access Requests (DSAR), and toggle "events-only" upload modes.

On-Board Features (Embedded / Smart Helmet)

These features run locally on the Raspberry Pi Zero 2 W to ensure low-latency safety monitoring.

- **Fatigue Detection:** Real-time calculation of PERCLOS (Percentage of Eyelid Closure), Eye Aspect Ratio (EAR), and blink rate using the inward-facing camera.

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- **Distraction Detection:** Monitors head pose (pitch/yaw/roll) and gaze deviation to detect when the driver is looking away.

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- **Crash & Maneuver Detection:** Monitors the IMU for high-G spikes (>1g peaks) to detect accidents or harsh braking/cornering.

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- **Local Alerting:** Triggers immediate audio/visual warnings (buzzer or LED) when fatigue or distraction thresholds are breached (<200ms latency).

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- **Circular Video Buffering:** Continuously records video but only permanently saves and uploads the ± 10 -20 seconds surrounding a triggered event.

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- **Smart Power Management:** Duty-cycling of IR LEDs and model quantization to maintain battery life for >8 hours.

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2. Hardware Architecture

Overall Architecture

The system is built around a **Raspberry Pi Zero 2 W** acting as the central processing unit. It interfaces with a **NoIR Camera** for vision, a **BMI160 IMU** for motion, and an **IR LED array** for night vision. The entire unit is powered by a portable 10,000mAh battery pack.

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Interfaces & Connectivity

Component	Interface/Protocol	Connection Details
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Camera (NoIR V2)	CSI-2 (Camera Serial Interface)	Connected directly to the Pi's CSI camera port via ribbon cable.
IMU (Bosch BMI160)	I²C (Inter-Integrated Circuit)	Connected to GPIO pins (SDA/SCL). Uses interrupt pin (INT) to wake Pi on high-G events.
IR LED Array	GPIO / PWM	Controlled via a MOSFET driver connected to a GPIO pin. PWM is used for brightness control/duty-cycling. +1
Storage (MicroSD)	SDIO	Built-in slot; hosts the OS, local logs, and the circular video buffer.
Network	Wi-Fi (802.11n)	Built-in to Pi Zero 2 W; used for MQTT/HTTPS telemetry to the cloud.
Power Input	Micro-USB	Receives 5V DC from the battery bank.

Signal Direction & Control Logic

1. **Input:** Camera (Video Stream) \rightarrow Pi (CSI Port).
2. **Input:** IMU (Accel/Gyro Data) \rightarrow Pi (I²C Bus).
3. **Output:** Pi (GPIO/PWM) \rightarrow MOSFET \rightarrow IR LEDs (Illumination).
4. **Output:** Pi (Wi-Fi) \rightarrow Cloud Dashboard (MQTT/HTTPS).
5. **Output (Optional):** Pi (GPIO) \rightarrow Buzzer/Status LED (Local Alert).

3. Power Supply Plan (Electrical Specifications)

Total Power Budget: ~2.0W - 3.5W (Average) **Target Runtime:** 8 Hours on 10,000mAh Battery

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Voltage & Current Requirements

Component	Voltage	Max Current	Source
Raspberry Pi Zero 2 W	5V DC	~0.8A (Peak) / 0.4A (Idle)	Battery Bank (USB)
NoIR Camera Module	3.3V (Internal)	~250mA	Powered via Pi CSI port
BMI160 IMU	3.3V	< 1mA (Low Power)	Powered via Pi 3.3V GPIO rail
IR LED Array (850nm)	5V DC	~500mA - 1A (Peak)	Direct from Battery (Switched by MOSFET)

Power Distribution Architecture

- **Primary Source:** 10,000mAh @ 5V Power Bank.
- **5V Rail:** Direct connection to Pi USB Power and the Source (Drain) of the IR LED MOSFET.
- **3.3V Rail:** Regulated locally by the Pi; supplies the IMU and logic levels for the MOSFET Gate.
- **Ground:** Common ground between Battery, Pi, IMU, and MOSFET.

Consumption Estimation

- **Pi + Camera (Inference Running):** ~2.3 Watts
- **IMU:** Negligible (~0.01 Watts)
- **IR LEDs (50% Duty Cycle):** ~1.0 Watts
- **Total Average: 3.3 Watts**
- **Capacity Check:** 10,000mAh @ 5V = 50Wh.
 - $\$50\text{Wh} / 3.3\text{W} \approx 15.1 \text{ hours}$ (Theoretical).
 - Accounting for regulator loss/efficiency (70%): $\approx 10.5 \text{ hours}$.
This meets the 8-hour requirement safely.

4. Unit Testing Plan

These tests are designed to be run as Python scripts on the Raspberry Pi.

Part A: Individual Hardware Unit Tests

Test 1: IMU Sensor Verification (I2C)

- **Goal:** Verify the Pi can communicate with the BMI160 and read acceleration data.
- **Procedure:**
 - Initialize I2C bus at address 0x68 (default for BMI160).
 - Read the CHIP_ID register (should return 0xD1).
 - Read Accelerometer X, Y, Z registers.
 - **Pass Criteria:** Chip ID matches; Z-axis shows $\sim 9.8\text{m/s}^2$ (gravity) while stationary.

Test 2: Camera & IR System

- **Goal:** Verify camera stream works and IR LEDs illuminate.
- **Procedure:**
 - Turn on IR LED GPIO pin (High).
 - Capture 5 frames using libcamera or OpenCV.
 - Turn off IR LED GPIO pin (Low).
 - **Pass Criteria:** Images are saved successfully; images taken with LEDs ON are significantly brighter than LEDs OFF (in a dark room).

Test 3: Network Telemetry (MQTT)

- **Goal:** Verify connectivity to the cloud broker.
- **Procedure:**
 - Connect to MQTT broker (e.g., test.mosquitto.org or private IP).
 - Publish a JSON payload `{"type": "test", "status": "ok"}` to topic helmet/test.
 - **Pass Criteria:** Client receives PUBACK (publish acknowledgement) from broker.

Part B: Integrated System Tests

Test 4: The "Shake to Upload" Test (Crash Simulation)

- **Goal:** Test the full pipeline: Sensor \rightarrow Logic \rightarrow Storage \rightarrow Cloud.
- **Procedure:**

- Start the main helmet_monitor.py service.
- Violently shake the sensor/helmet to simulate a >1G force.
- Wait 30 seconds.
- **Pass Criteria:**
 - System logs "CRASH DETECTED" in local logs.
 - A video file (e.g., crash_<timestamp>.mp4) appears in the events/ folder.
 - Dashboard receives an alert with "Severity: High".

Test 5: Fatigue Logic Simulation (Software Injection)

- **Goal:** Verify the AI logic triggers correctly without needing a sleepy driver.
- **Procedure:**
 - Feed a pre-recorded video file of a person closing their eyes into the CV pipeline instead of the live camera.
 - Monitor the PERCLOS variable in the debug log.
 - **Pass Criteria:**
 - PERCLOS value rises above 0.12 (12%).
 - "FATIGUE ALERT" is triggered.
 - Latency between eye closure in video and alert log is <200ms.

Test 6: Endurance Power Test

- **Goal:** Validate thermal and battery performance.
- **Procedure:**
 - Charge battery to 100%.
 - Run the system in full operational mode (Camera + AI + Wi-Fi) inside a room at 25°C.
 - Log CPU temperature and uptime every minute.
 - **Pass Criteria:**
 - System runs for >8 hours before shutdown.
 - CPU temperature does not exceed 80°C (thermal throttling limit).