

# Digital Thermometer App

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# Domain Problem

What problem is our application addressing?

# Sequence of Audiences

Hospital Buyers



Doctors



Nurses/Caregivers/Technicians



Patient

# Audience: Hospital Buyers

## What do they care about?

- Cost effectiveness
- Reusability
- Desirability

# Audience: Doctors

## **What do they care about?**

- Easy to teach
- Accuracy/Reliability
- Comfort

# Audience:

## Nurses/Caregivers/Technicians

### What do they care about?

- Visual & Audio Cues
- Intuitive interface (allows multitasking)
- Clean GUI
- Accuracy
- Device easy to put on patient

# Audience: Patient

## What do they care about?

- Comfort
- Minimal interaction with device
- Mobility (only limited by WiFi range)

# Purpose of Design

## Three Temperature Readings:

- 10 second average provides reliability over longer time periods
- 1 second average adjusts possible fluctuations within a second
- Instantaneous temperature provides the most up-to-date reading



# Purpose of Design

## Wireless Capability/Armband:

- Only healthcare providers interact with actual iPad application
  - Alarm system not in the room with the patient
  - Less physical contact between patient and nurse (higher sanitation)
- Armband remains on patient without aid while temp being monitored
  - Patient mobility
  - Health provider can be multitasking
    - I.e. during initial calibration, long-term temp monitoring, etc.
- Armband is reusable, adjustable, only touches patient with thermistor

# A Nurse Station



# Purpose of Design

## Visual and Audible Alarm:

- Hospital environment is loud
  - Audible should be loud enough, if not, visual can be seen
- If multiple devices/iPads are being used, audible alarm is not immediately matched to iPad (visual cue is)
- Dismiss button leads to “Attending to Patient” status instead of returning to temp monitoring
- Is only reset once the current temperature drops below the threshold

# Purpose of Design

## **“Attending to Patient” Signal:**

- Intuitive design for easy navigation
- Feedback to all nurses who pass by/look at the status of the iPad
- Persistent reminder to nurse who dismisses alarm to address patient

# Future Implementations & Problems

## What would we add?

- Battery life indicator
- WiFi loss indicator
- Patient identifiers
- Armband room locator

## Problems with device

- 1:1 iPad:Patient
  - Cost
- Arduino/Wifi Shield
- EECS
- Inefficient energy source

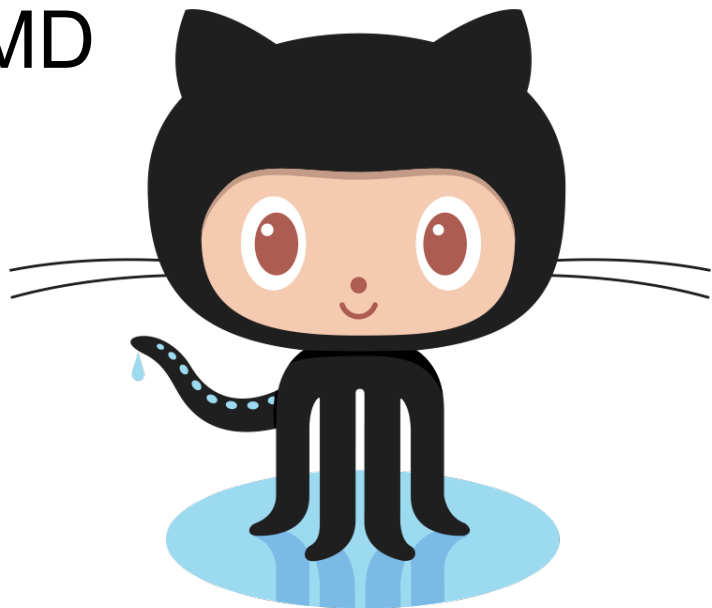
# Costs

Cost of Goods	
Arduino Mega 2560	\$49.15
Wifi Shield	\$86.96
Thermistor	\$0.10
Toggle Switch	\$0.10
Armband	\$19.79
iPad app	\$0.00

Revenue	\$300.00
Total Cost	\$156.10
Gross Profit	\$143.90
Profit Margin	92.1%

# Availability

Freely available on GitHub at  
<https://github.com/ifried01/MMD>



# Available Features

- Comfortable and adjustable arm strap
- Integration to hospital / home WiFi network
- Battery powered
- Portable, Monitor on the go, no bed restrictions
- Remote alarm alerts caretaker about rise in temperature
- Visual and Audible alarm
- Persistent notification on nurse's response
- Adjustable Temperature scale (°C/°F)