Wireless - GRVM Application

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[IMPLEMENTATION OF THE (BC) PROTOCOL]

Abstract

The Wireless-GRVM application is a wireless protocol that functions on serial. Using serial communication to adhere to the protocol introduces issues such as no actual established connection as well as security concerns. The results were as unexpected as usual, as the wireless medium has a lot of interference which brought about complications. Testing occurred on both wired and wireless and, as expected, this application is more reliable when it comes to wired connections.

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Introduction

This is a Win32 application that implements a wireless protocol for transmitting text characters from one device to another and displays the information on a computer monitor. This program is fully event driven and will work as a half-duplex.

The protocol used for this program is the (Be Creative) Protocol and will be run on Windows 7. The application will have two states for transmission, Send and Receive. The program will be sending and receiving text files and will display the file upon receiving 5 bytes of data. To ensure correct information is being sent, the program uses the CRCITT

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Description

This program is implemented to communicate with other computers using a newly specified wireless protocol. By transmitting data through the serial port to a wireless modem; this program is able to send files to other connected computers. Computers connect to each other and will start listening for another computer; once another computer is found a connection is established and they are able to transmit files.

Users must connect to each other and specify the file to send. If a proper connection was established and the other computer is also strictly following our protocol the file will transmit flawlessly.

The protocol used to transmit files is more thoroughly covered in the *Features* section.

Features

The features of this program are heavily based on the wireless protocol we have designed. Our program strictly follows the protocol and thus allows us to communicate with others through a half-duplex wireless connection. After establishing a connection and bidding for the line, the file to send is packetized and sent; up to a maximum of 5 packets are sent, the line is dropped by this sender, allowing the other computer to bid for the line and send its 5 packets. This pattern continues until they are both sending.

Our program handles all possible erroneous cases and treats them accordingly depending on the communication medium. When both computers try to send at the same time they are able to properly communicate and let one of them proceed to send first. Sent packets are also verified by the receiver using CRCITT to ensure no packets have arrived with no corrupt bits or out of order. If an error has occurred the erroneous packet must be resent.

Issues Experienced

The major issue we have encountered has been corruption over the wireless connection. Packets do not seem to be fully sent and often arrive in with errors due to high interference. When testing through a wireless medium the throughput drops drastically; however, when two computers are connected via serial cable all packets arrive timely and with precision providing optimal throughput and the maximum efficiency while strictly adhering to the established protocol.

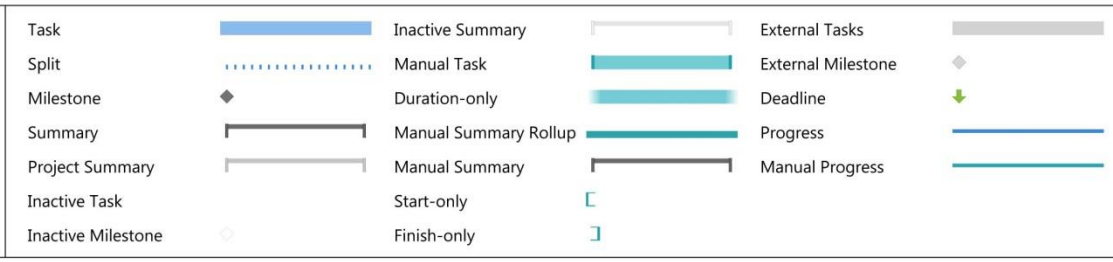
We encountered some problems as well when attempting to keep the file to send active in memory. When data was to be sent out on the line there were instances that created problems in attempting to packetize the proceeding data; and then also adjusting for when the CRC failed on the receiver's side and we were forced to resend the data.

Determining the logic in the receive thread also caused many problems with the sequence in which different packets were expected to arrive and the actual sequence in which they arrived. Sometimes corrupt data was kept in the serial port buffer which conflicted with what was expected causing repetitive NAK's to be sent.

Gantt Chart

ID	Task Mode	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Task Owner	Predecessors
1		Design Work (State Diagram)	5 days	Thu 11/7/13	Wed 11/13/13	Mat	
2		Pseudo Code	5 days	Thu 11/7/13	Wed 11/13/13	Vincent	
3		Gnatt Chart	5 days	Thu 11/7/13	Wed 11/13/13	Robin	
4		Openfile	3 days	Wed 11/13/13	Fri 11/15/13	Mat	
5		Packetize/unPacketize	3 days	Wed 11/13/13	Fri 11/15/13	German	
6		ErrorChecking	3 days	Fri 11/15/13	Tue 11/19/13	German	
7		Display	3 days	Fri 11/15/13	Tue 11/19/13	Mat	
8		Receive Event Driven	4 days	Tue 11/19/13	Fri 11/22/13	Vincent	
9		Transmit	4 days	Tue 11/19/13	Fri 11/22/13	Robin	
10		GUI	3 days	Fri 11/22/13	Tue 11/26/13	Mat	
11		Testing	5 days	Tue 11/26/13	Sat 11/30/13	Team	
12		Test Documents	2 days	Sat 11/30/13	Sun 12/1/13	Team	
13		Complete the package of project	2 days	Sun 12/1/13	Mon 12/2/13	Team	

Project: Gnatt Charts
Date: Tue 11/12/13



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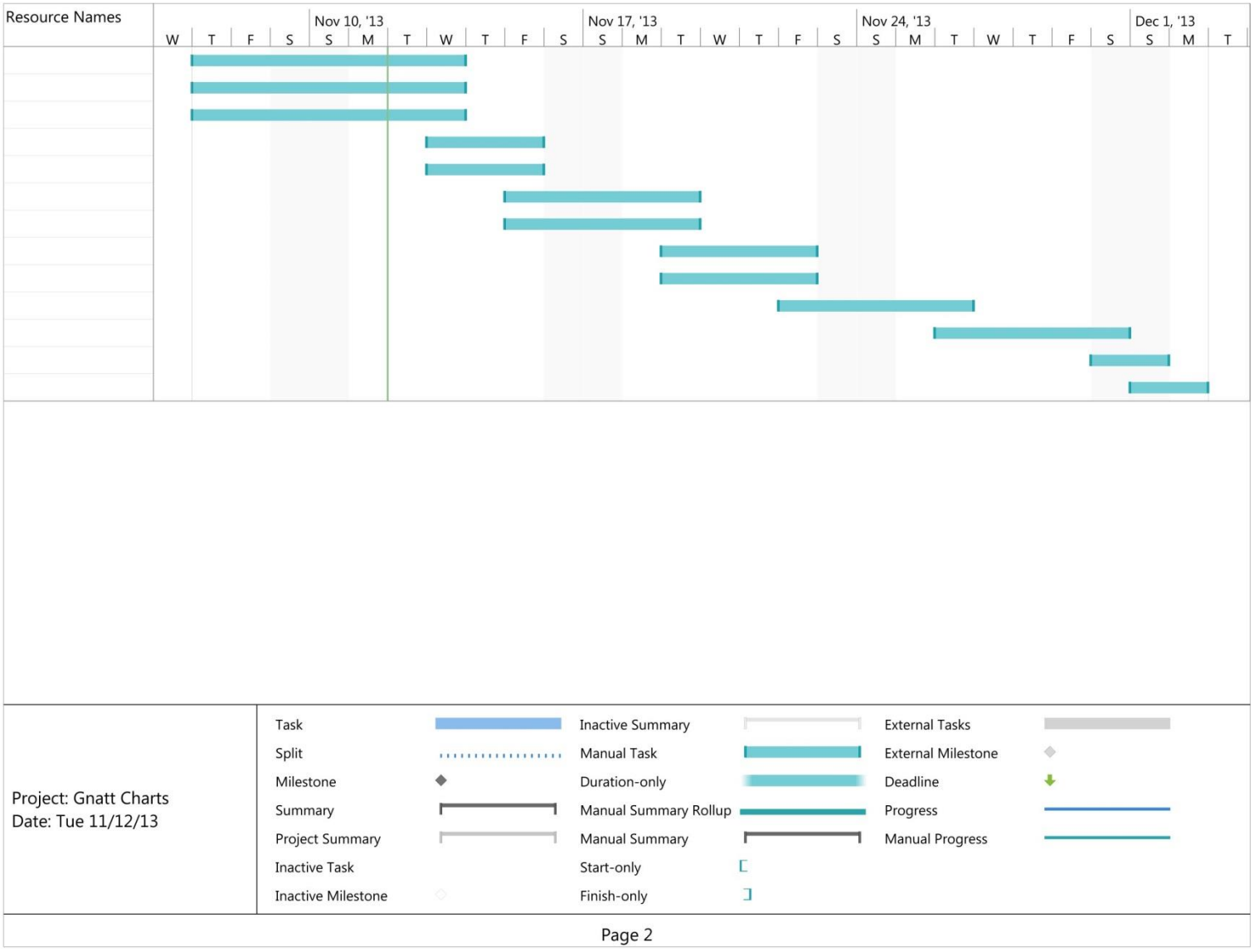
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State Diagram

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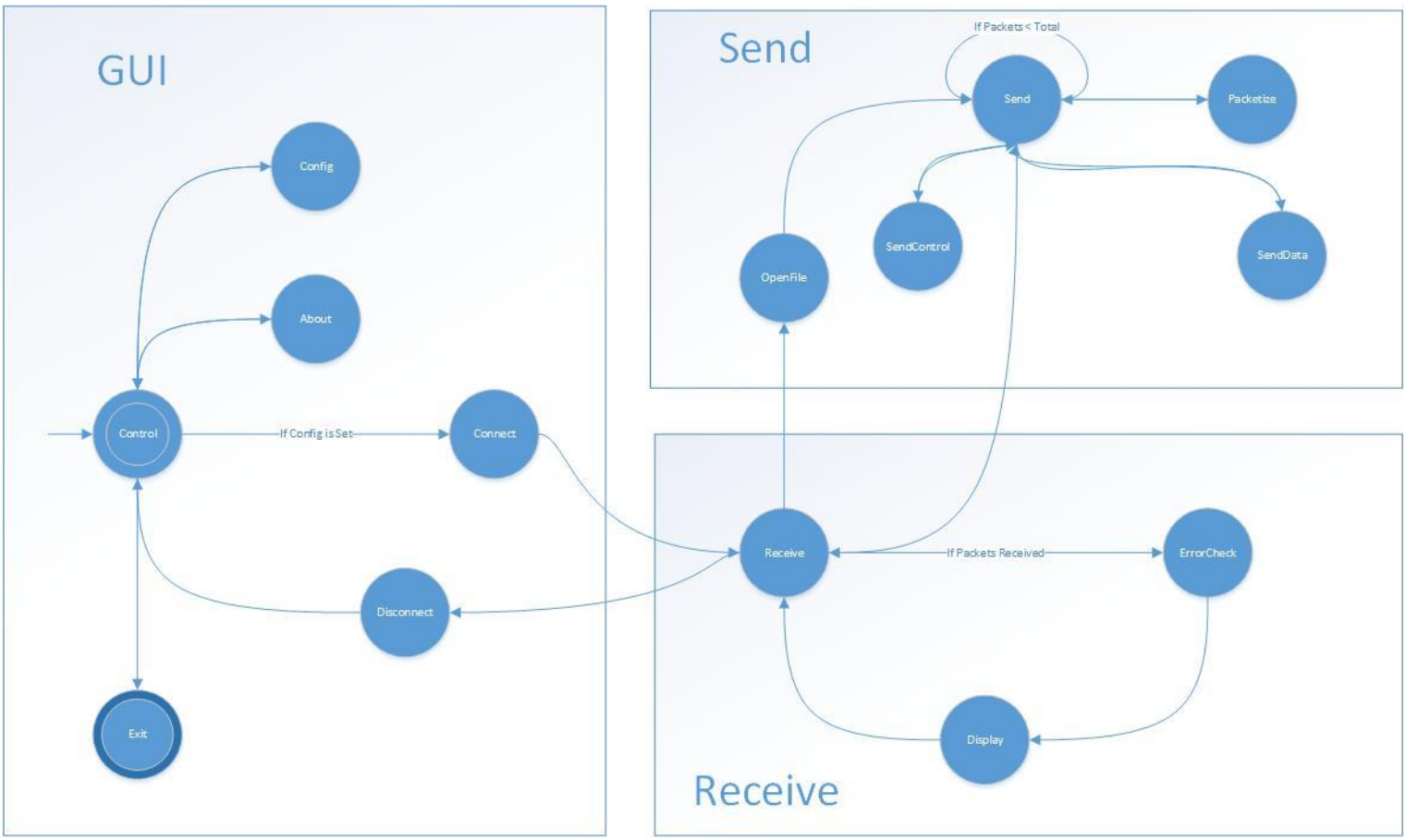

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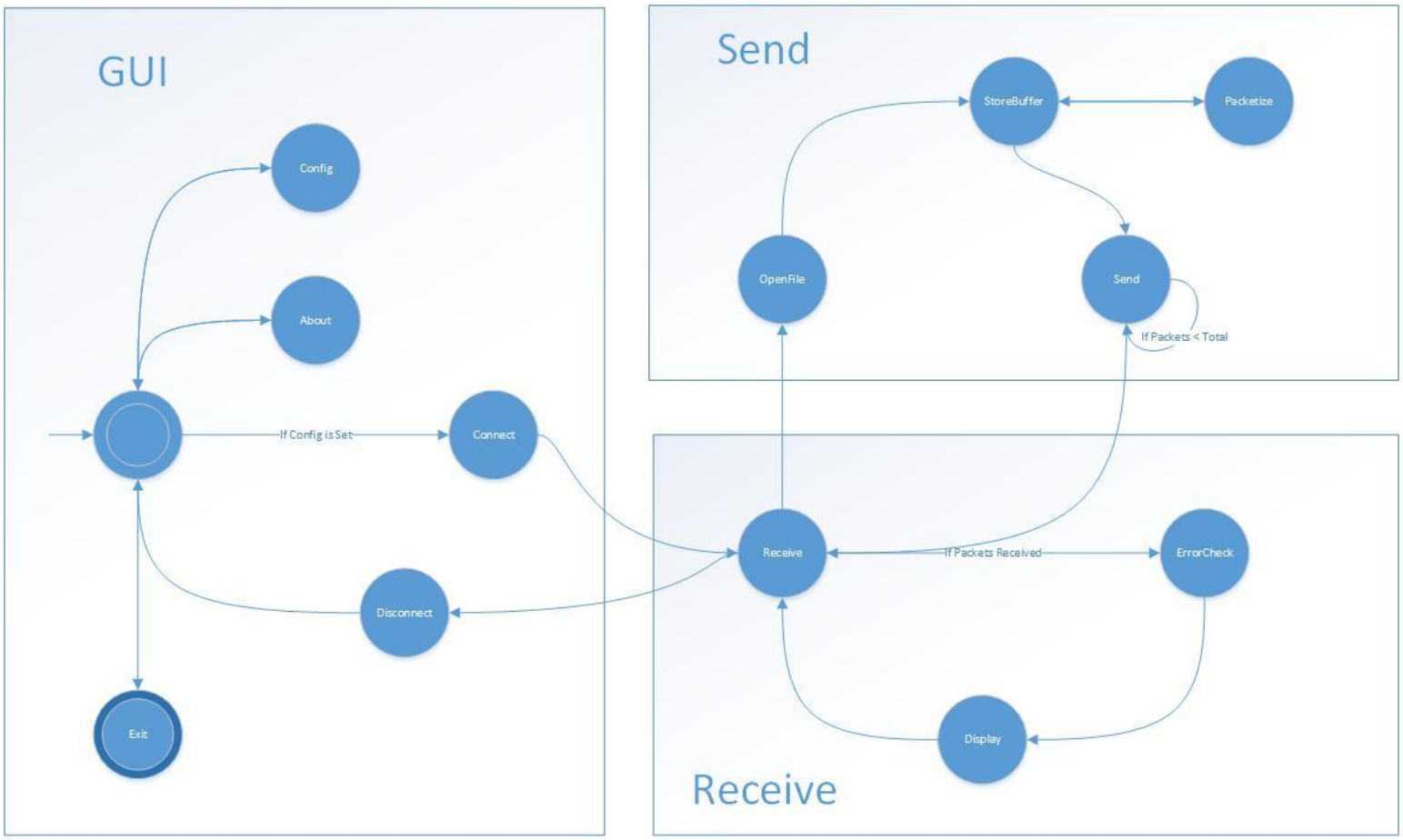
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Config
About
If Config is Set
Connect
Disconnect
Exit
Send
StoreBuffer
Packetize
OpenFile
Send
If Packets < Total
Receive
If Packets Received
ErrorCheck
Display
Receive

Function Prototypes

ErrorCheck

```
unsigned short crc16(char, unsigned short);
void GenerateCRC(char*, char*);
BOOL ErrorCheck(char*);
```

Main

```
LRESULT CALLBACK WndProc(HWND, UINT, WPARAM, LPARAM);
BOOL Register(HINSTANCE);
HWND Create(HINSTANCE, int);
BOOL Window_OnCreate(HWND, LPCREATESTRUCT);
void Window_OnCommand (HWND, int, HWND, UINT);
void Window_OnDestroy (HWND);
BOOL CALLBACK AboutDlgProc (HWND, UINT, WPARAM, LPARAM);
void OpenFileInitialize(HWND);
BOOL FileOpenDlg (HWND, PTSTR, LPCSTR);
BOOL FileRead(HWND, const LPCSTR);
void OkMessage(HWND, TCHAR*, TCHAR*);
BOOL ErrorCheck(char*);
void GenerateCRC(char*, char*);
void DisplayText(HWND, LPCSTR);
void Window_OnVScroll(HWND, HWND, UINT, int);
void Window_OnPaint(HWND);
void Window_OnSize(HWND, UINT, int, int);
BOOL FileSave(HWND, LPCTSTR);
BOOL FileSaveDlg (HWND, PTSTR, PTSTR);
```

Packet

```
BOOL Packetize(CHAR*, int);
BOOL PacketCheck(HWND, CHAR*);
BOOL PacketCheckControl(HWND hwnd, CHAR* packet);
void GetData(CHAR*, CHAR*);
```

Physical

```
BOOL SendControl(HANDLE, int);
LONG_PTR SendData(HANDLE hComm, char* packetToSend);
BOOL ReadSerialPortControl(HANDLE hComm, char* packetBuffer, DWORD dwBytesToRead, LPDWORD
lpdwBytesRead);
BOOL ReadSerialPortData(HANDLE hComm, char* packetBuffer, DWORD dwBytesToRead, LPDWORD
lpdwBytesRead);
```

Presentation

```
BOOL AddToBuffer(const char*);
```

Session

```
BOOL SetupPort (LPTSTR);
BOOL ConfPort (HWND*, LPTSTR);
```

Transport

```
DWORD WINAPI TransmitThread(LPVOID);
DWORD WINAPI ReceiveThread  (LPVOID);
```

Pseudocode

```
INT Window()
{
        Register()
        Create()
        Set variables for commconfig
        MessageLoop()
}
BOOL Register(){
        Register variables for opening main window.
}
HWND Create{
        CreateWIndow
}
LRESULT CALLBACK WndProc(){
        Handle different Messages of the window
}
BOOL Window_OnCreate(){
        OpenFileIntialize();
        Return True
}
void Window_OnCommand(){
        Connect()
        SendFile()
                If FileOpenDialog is True
                        If FileRead is False
                                OkMessage (displays file read error)
        Disconnect()
        Config()
                If Com Port was OK and not in use
                        -Open Receive Thread
        About()
        Exit()
                Window_OnDestroy
}
Void Window_OnDestroy{
        CloseStream()
        CloseThreads()
        Exit Program
}
```

```
BOOL AboutDlgProc{
        Open a DialogBox that displays information about the Program
}
void openFileInitialize{
        initialize the parameters for opening a file.
}


FileOpenDialog(){
        Initialize types of files to be seen
        Open the file dialog
}
Void OkMessage(){
        print the filename that failed to open
}
BOOL FileRead(){
        Create a file
        Get the file size
        If Filesize does not equal zero
                Malloc memory space for the file
                Read the file and append two Null characters to the end
}
BOOL disconnect(){
        CloseStream()
        CloseThreads()
}
BOOL Config ()
{
  if ("configured" flag not true)
  {
    error message : "Port not configured, please configure"
                        return;
    OR
    if (!config())
      return;
  }
  clear any port handles or file descriptors that may be in use
  get handle to serial port
  if (handle is invalid)
  {
    error message : "Cannot open serial port"
    return false;
  }
  set a "want to read" flag
        createReceiveThread();
  return true;
}
```

```
//RECEIVE
DWORD WINAPI Receive()
{
   create temporary packet buffer to save 1024 bytes (1 packet)
   set our listening/read parameters for the serial port, we want CHARACTER events (eg SetCommMask)
   while (we want to read)
   {
      if (waiting for event success)
      {
         if (the event triggered was a CHARACTER event)
         {
           If there is 1024 chars to read
                read 1024 characters into temporary packet buffer
                packetcheck()
           If there is 2 chars to read
                read 2 characters into temporary packet buffer
                packetcheck()
         }
      }
   }
}

BOOL PacketCheck (char[1024] packet)
{
   switch (char[1])
   {
                case: ENQ:
                        send (ACK);
                        Set "what we're waiting for" flag to PACKET_DC1
                        break;

                case DC1:
                        if ("what we're waiting for" is a PACKET_DC2)
                        {
                                send (NAK);
                                break;
                        }
                        if (!ErrorCheck(char[1022], char[1023]))
                        {
                                send (NAK);
                                break;
                        }
                        send (ACK);
                        Display();//read the remaining 1020 characters
                        break;
```

```
                case DC2:
                        if ("what we're waiting for" is a PACKET_DC1)
                        {
                                send (NAK);
                                break;
                        }
                        if (!ErrorCheck(char[1022], char[1023]))
                        {
                                sendControlPacket (NAK);
                                break;
                        }
                        send (ACK);
                        Display();//read the remaining 1020 characters
                        break;

                case NAK:
                        Set "What we're waiting for" flag to ACK
                        send (previous packet); //need a way to keep that
                        break;

                case EOT:
                        // GO back to IDLE state
                        Set "what we're waiting for" flag to ENQ
                        break;
   }
}

BOOL ErrorCheck(char[1024] packet){
        GenerateTable(){
                generate a table
                calculate the CRC table
        }
        get(begin, end){
                accumulate ()
        }
}

VOID display(head)
{
   print data
}

BOOL openFile(){
        Initialize OpenFile struct
        GetFileAttributes();
        if (GetOpenFileName()){
                Transmitfile();
```

```
                return true;
        }
        return false;
}


/*if data is sent*/
VOID Transmit (File *bufferWithFile)
{
   create sentPacketCounter = 0
   create packetToSend

   do
   {

     // giving the packetize function the sentPacketCounter allows it to skip through the file
     // if necessary. It can also determine if the next data packet will be DC1 or DC2 (mod2!=0)

    while (packetCounter mod 5 != 0)
     {
        packetToSend = packetize (File Handle, sentPacketCounter, PKT_TYPE_DATA)
       sendDataPacket (packetToSend);
        decrement semaphore
       ++packetCounter;
       set "what we're waiting for" flag to ACK
       waitforSemaphore
        if semaphore timed out
                resend Packet
     }
    Wait for ENQ
   } while (file not done)
}




CHAR* packetize(File  *bufferWithFile, int SentPacketCounter)
{
          1020 x sentPacketCounter = startingLocation
          Read 1020 chars from the file buffer, starting at startingLocation into packet string
        If we encounter eof
                Pad remains Bytes with null
        If (sentPacketBuffer % 2 == 0)
                Packet[1] = DC1
        Else
                Packet[1] = DC2
```

```
  //create return string returnstr
  //add control bytes to returnstr
  //if s[i] != eof
  //   returnstr += s[i]
  //
  // while i != 1022
  //    returnstr += '\0'
  // returnstr += trailer bytes
  // return returnstr
}

VOID sendDataPacket (char[1022] data, char DC_TYPE?)
{
        char[1024] packet
        set char[0] to SYN
        set char[1] to DC_TYPE //  DC1 or DC2
        append data and CRC

        write to serial port
}

VOID sendCtrlPacket (char CTRL_TYPE)
{
        char[2] packet
        set char[0] to SYN
        set char[1] to CTRL_TYPE

        write to serial port
}
```

Conclusion

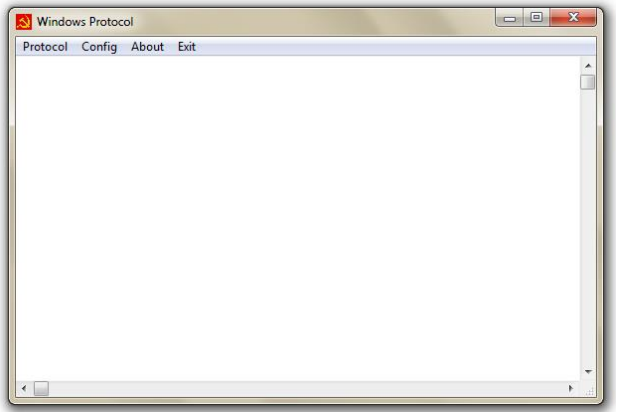
During our hours testing we have concluded that sending over a wireless medium is far less reliable for the receiver to receive the appropriate data; in our tests, retransmission rates were extremely high due to wireless interference and data corruption.

Test Cases

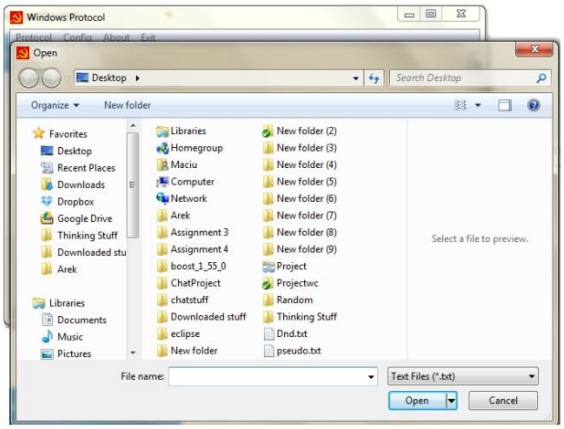
Test	Tests Description	Tools Used	Expected Result	Pass/Fail	Notes
1	Opening the GUI	Wireless-GRVM	The program should open with correct menu options	Pass	See Figure 1
2	Open a File/Display File	Wireless-GRVM	The program should be able to open a .txt and Display the Text	Pass	See Figure 2
3	Threading/CPU usage of program	Wireless-GRVM/Resource Monitor	The program should not use a lot of CPU resources	Fail	See Figure 3
4	Threading/CPU usage of program	Wireless-GRVM/Resource Monitor	The program should not use a lot of CPU resources	Pass	See Figure 4
5	Packet Padding at EOF Successful	Wireless-GRVM/HyperTerminal	The W's display the padding after the EOF was reached	Pass	See Figure 5
6	Packet Sending	Wireless-GRVM/HyperTerminal	Displays an error sent by GRVM to HyperTerminal	Fail	See Figure 6
7	Packet Sending/Receiving	Wireless-GRVM	Received packet is displayed	Pass	See Figure 7

Figures

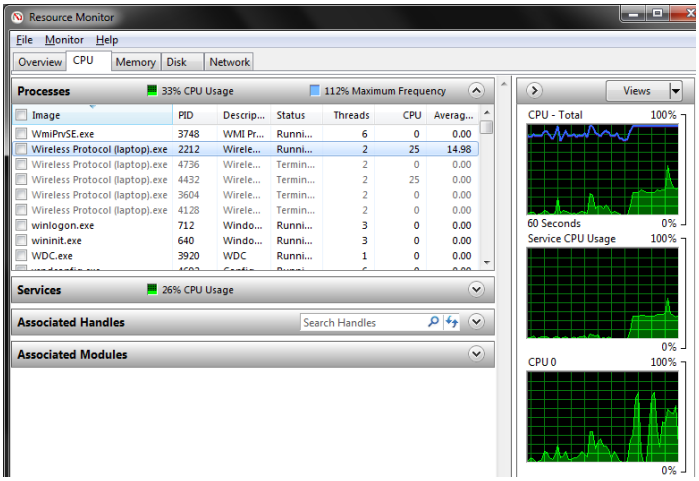
Test 1: Initial Start Up (PASS)



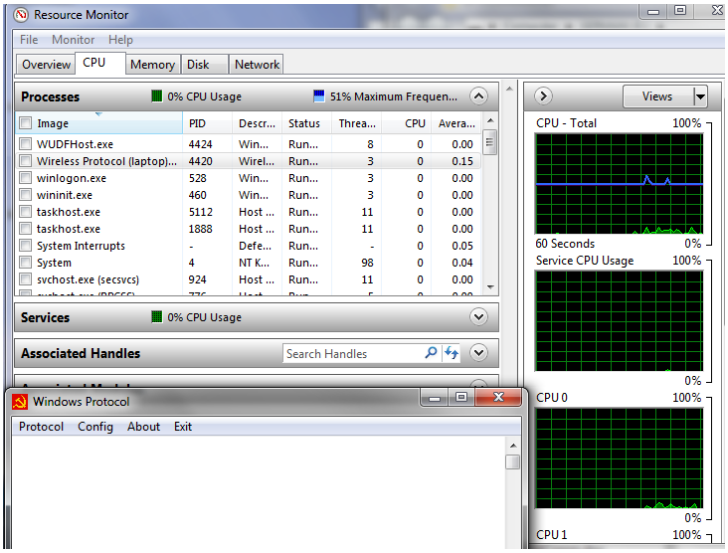
Test 2: Opening and Displaying a File (PASS)



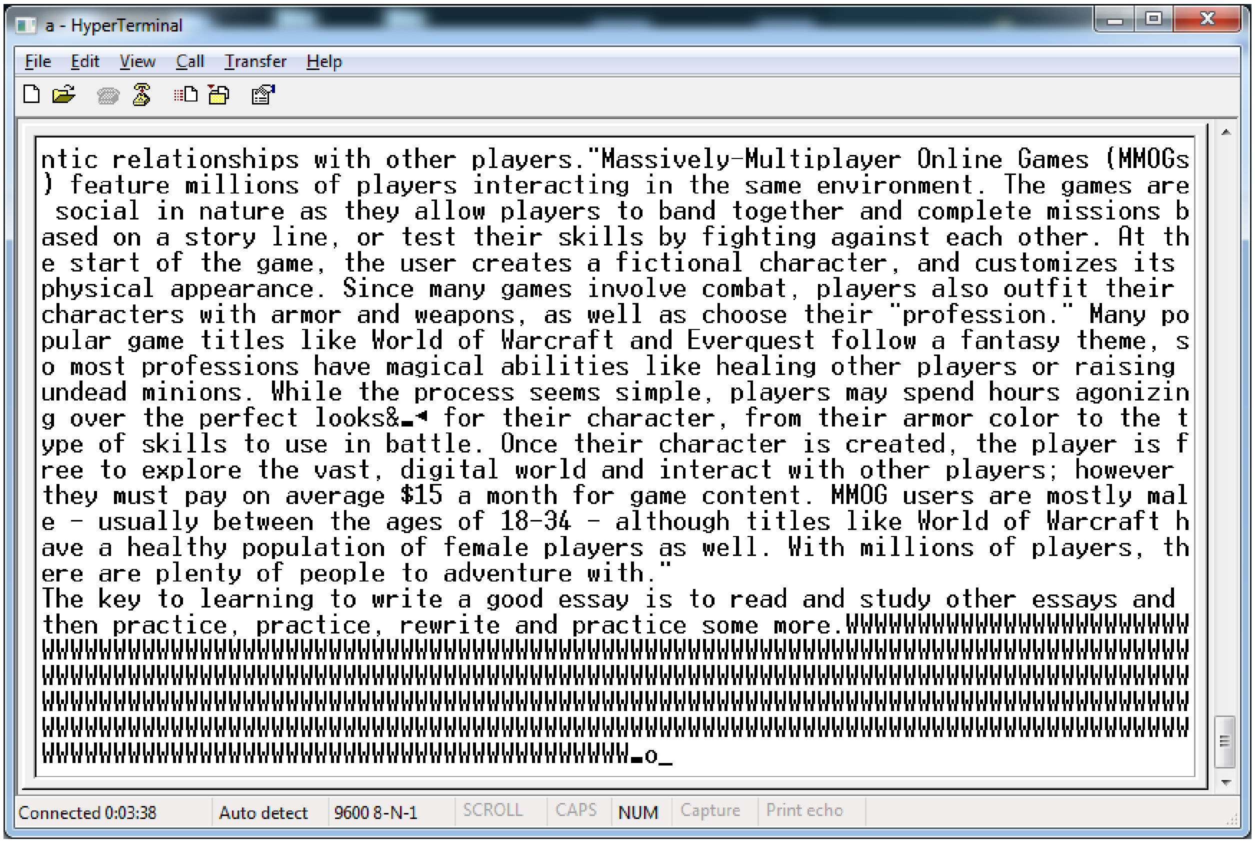
Test 3: Threading (FAIL)



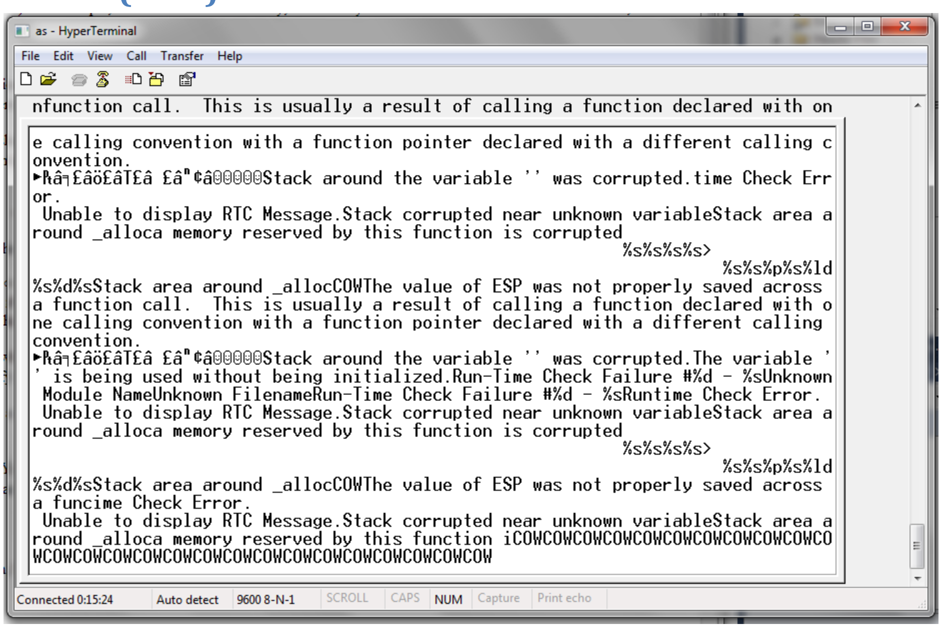
Test 4: Threading (PASS)



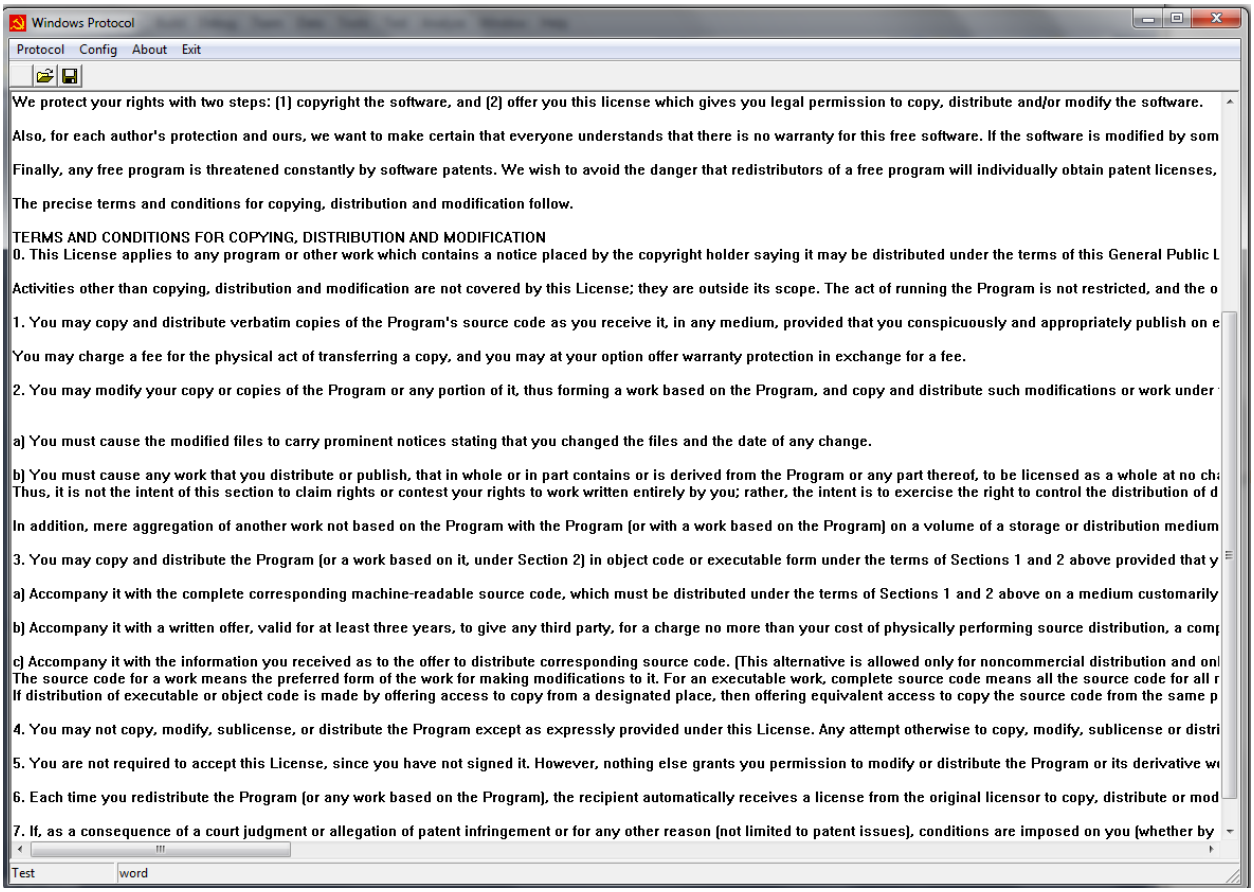
Test 5: (PASS)



Test 6: (FAIL)



Test 7: (PASS)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