# **Criterion E: Evaluation**

# 1. Evaluation based on success criteria

Success Criteria	Evaluation	Met?
1	The user creates a database by entering the name that he wants.  Application does not create a database if it already exist	Yes
2	Valve is successfully pressed down when the user actuates the push. The time can be changed with the variable "actuationTime" in Arduino (as seen in <i>Appendix 1.3</i> )	Yes
3	Time of the push for cycle is recorded through the SaveData class.	Yes
4	The average is computed in Arduino for each cycle and communicated to Java to store in the database. ( <i>Appendix 1.5</i> )	Yes
5	The volume sensor is read after each cycle and stored in the database	Yes
6	The average of the difference of the two pressure sensors is computed in Arduino communicated to Java to store in the database. ( <i>Appendix 1.5</i> )	Yes
7	After testing the sensors and the actuation at the lab, the client decided that a radio connection did not improve the usability of the experimentation in the lab. ( <i>Appendix 1.6</i> )	No
8	The LoadDataMenu class provides an interface to create tables with data	Yes
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10	Instead of saving the table on the computer, my client preferred to be able to copy the data from each table.	No

- The overall satisfaction and evaluation of the client towards the success criteria and the project is evidenced in *Appendix 1.7*.

## 2. Recommendations for future development

The recommendations for future development were discussed during the final meeting with my client (as seen in *Appendix 1.7, 1.8*).

#### 2.1. Graphs and charts (Client recommendation)

- <u>Problem</u>: Client needed to copy and paste the measurements into graph and chart softwares. This wasted time and effort.
- <u>Improvement</u>: Application should provide the interface to create charts and graphs based on the data stored in the database. This may be done through the use of libraries in Java.

#### 2.2 Cloud based storage (Client recommendation)

- Problem: Client needed to use the same laptop in and outside the lab, as the data to
  process was solely stored on that laptop. The experimentation setup was, hence,
  inconvenient.
- Improvement: The application could use a cloud based database, so that the client can
  access and process the data through the network. For example, SQL cloud could have
  been utilised.

### 2.3. Actuation design (Client recommendation)

- <u>Problem</u>: Client was satisfied with the actuation of the cap. However, the press and release time led to an inaccurate timing for the actuation.
- Improvement: Instead of using a servo motor to press on the cap, a powerful solenoid could be used. The solenoid has a faster response and press and release time, and will prove the actuation to be more accurate on timing. Furthermore, to improve the accessibility, the actuation could be controlled from a distance with an infrared remote control.

### 2.4 Remote control of application (My recommendation)

- <u>Improvement</u>: The accessibility of the application could be improved by using a touch screen such as an iPad or iPhone to control the application. This could also improve the data collection from a programming standpoint as a remote actuation would

prevent human interference of the experimentation.