

Table 1: Revision History

<b>Date</b>	<b>Developer(s)</b>	<b>Change</b>
26.09.2022	Udeep Shah	Initial commit
Date2	Name(s)	Description of changes
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# Development Plan

## SE 4G06, TRON 4TB6

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### 1 Team Meeting Plan

The team will meet in-person on Wednesdays at 4:30pm on a weekly basis. These meetings will typically be done in person at Thode Library or at the Capstone project room. However, additional meetings or daily check ups will be scheduled on a per need basis depending on the status of the project and upcoming deliverables. Additional meetings may either be held in person or virtually through the use of the team's Discord server.

### 2 Team Communication Plan

The team will have two primary sources of communication which include a Discord server as well as a Facebook messenger group chat. The Discord server is used for hosting virtual meetings as well as sharing files and useful links. Communication will also occur through commit messages and issues when collaborating on deliverables through Github. The purpose of using Github will also be for team collaboration as well as changing history and reverting opportunities.

### 3 Team Member Roles

Although we are split up into different roles, which are based on the workload and our skills, we will work closely with one another and review each other's work thoroughly. It is important to communicate with other team members as all of our modules will be linked together. Additionally, roles can change depending on the amount of work and time required.

## **Jordan Bierbrier**

**Embedded Systems Developer Lead** - The role of this position is to create the software for the microcontroller.

## **Azriel Gingoyon**

**Hardware Developer** - The focus of this position is to handle and design all of the hardware components for the project.

## **Taranjit Lotey**

**Application Developer** - The role of this position is to assist in the creation of the application for the end user.

## **Udeep Shah**

**Embedded Systems Developer** - The focus of this position is to create the software for the microcontroller.

## **Abraham Taha**

**Application Developer Lead** - The focus of this position is to create the application for the end user.

# **4 Workflow Plan**

- Git will be used for collaborating, sharing, tracking and saving our work (code and documents). We will include a main branch, which will consist of the most updated working code. The main branch will connect sub branches of various hardware components, ideally each hardware component will have their own sub branch which will be connected via code in the development branch.
- Branches will be used when editing or adding code/ documents to the repository. Branches will follow a naming convention for consistency and coherency. They will be created based on issues, for example, IssueNumber-Description-Branch. As a result, allow easy branch linking. Additionally, comments or questions found within an issue can easily be traced to a particular branch.
- When a group member wants to merge a branch, a pull request must be created. Pull requests will consist of a comprehensive description of the incoming changes, and additional comments, such as tests conducted.
- We will also be using a pre product branch giving the capability to test functionality of referencing branches within each other before making a merge request to main.

- Additionally there will be a Gitlab continuous integration (CI) test to see if the incoming changes are acceptable (passing a linter test and unit tests). Furthermore, reviewers will be added to assess the changes and leave any comments which will be documented to review and store thought processes at that current stage of development. Once the CI test passes and the reviewers are satisfied with the changes, the reviewers can accept the changes and the branch can be merged into main.
- Track issues within Github (Kanban Board) which will reference the issue to designated branch during the pull request. We can tag issues by priority (low, medium, high), by milestone (hardware, application, firmware, etc) and labels. Issues can be assigned to designated group members, and have reviewers to check up on status and work.

## 5 Proof of Concept Demonstration Plan

The major areas where the project could face issues include:

- **Sound recognition** - We might not be able to isolate or classify signals accurately. This is especially hard when there is a lot of background noise.
- **Vibration motor** - There is a risk of the motor not being powerful enough to get the user's attention. This may seem easy to tackle by increasing the size and power of the motor but this issues a new issue of power consumption and size increase.
- **Integration of hardware onto a small footprint** - This is the biggest risk with our project. We might not be able to fit all the components i.e the microcontroller, motor, microphone and battery in the small footprint that we desire. The reason why this is hard to tackle is that the smaller we go with our hardware, especially microcontroller and battery, the more cautious we have to be with power consumption and resource allocation.

The risks associated with our project may change as our development is still ongoing. Our PoC (Proof of Concept) will try to focus on the integration of major features into a small footprint (still bigger than the final prototype). The main features of the PoC will be sound recognition for three different sounds, vibration alerts and app communication. The proof of concept targets the above risks. Sound recognition will be first tested on a computer using the computer microphone and then transferred to our PoC. The vibration motor also will be tested out on a person through the thickness of a wristband. The PoC will also give us an idea of how small we can compress the device without losing functionality. The successful demonstration of the PoC will certainly reduce the likelihood of not being able to deliver on a final product.

## 6 Technology

- **Programming Languages** - C will be used for the embedded software on the microcontroller for the signal processing. A potential drawback of using C is that the libraries used for classification can be quite low level, making it difficult to integrate within our code. Although, by using C, we can assure that our code will be more efficient since it is programmed at a lower level. Additionally, Java will be used to create the application for the end user. It will be easy for our team members to review the C and Java code, since their syntax is quite similar.
- **Integrated Development Environment (IDE)** - Visual Studio Code will be used for software development, and primarily for the application. A benefit of using Visual Studio Code is that it includes several extensions, such as linters and git tracking. To add, Eclipse will be used for embedded programming. A potential issue will be using different IDEs for software, although they are two separate modules.
- **Linters** - Linters will be used to keep the code format consistent throughout our various modules. For C, we will use the Clang Format linter. For Java, we will use the Checkstyle linter.
- **CI** - CI will be included within our project. We will apply the linter during the CI to see if there are any issues with the format or obvious errors. Additionally, the C code can be compiled and built during the CI. The latter CI step may be redundant, as you can build the C code locally, although this will be determined after it is tested.
- **Hardware** - Hardware that will be used include a microcontroller, analog-to-digital converter, microphone, motor, and a battery. The risks with the hardware components are finding small enough components that meet our goals. Additionally, we need to find a microcontroller with high enough processing power.
- **Testing** - Unit tests will be conducted on the modules that are added to the project. Unit tests will be done in both C and in Java.

## 7 Coding Standard

- Leave concise and appropriate comments
- Name variables in Camel case
- Implement exception handling wherever possible
- Do not use the same identifier for multiple purposes
- Use proper indentation

- Conform similar pieces of code into a function
- Test the code whenever possible
- Avoid lengthy lines of code
- Abstain from deep nesting (nesting 4+ levels of code in the same block)

## 8 Project Scheduling