

Week 5 check-ins

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Project Check-in

Wesley Murar

T03

Week 5

October 27th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Downloaded Eagle Cad and Gerbv
- Instigated and revised final requirements documentation.

Tasks to do next week:

- Familiarize myself with project management tools and practice creating schedules/Gantt charts
- Investigate GitHub, particularly pertaining to including files and links on Wiki.
- Assist in the researching process for final product enclosure.
 - Probably 3D printing (i.e. investigate EPL usage).

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Due Dates:
 - 10/29 Schematic
 - 11/10 Schedule
- Everyone should have Eagle either on their computer, or know how to access it in the lab (should be on all the computers) and be familiar with using it

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Tasks completed last week:

- Added functionality of both knob and circular potentiometer to existing code and physical prototype
- Downloaded Eagle cad and familiarized myself with tools and components list
- Downloaded Gerbv program to later view cad files
- Pushed project proposal and requirements to the repository and added links in the wiki
- Provided input for the project requirements document and applied formatting changes

Tasks to do next week:

- Write final functions and modify the existing code to finish the program and use it with the completed prototype for a fully demonstrable project
- Provide correspondence, oversight, and assistance to group members creating the schematic
- Download Microsoft Project and ProjectLibre (open source project management software)
- Familiarize myself with project management tools and practice creating schedules/Gantt charts
- Research best method for building an enclosure for the final product
 - Probably 3D printing

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Schematic is due Wednesday the 29th
- Schedule is due November 10th, I suggest everyone download either Microsoft Project or an open source project management software and get used to the environment and tools it offers for scheduling
- Everyone should have Eagle either on their computer, or know how to access it in the lab (should be on all the computers) and be familiar with using it

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Sarmad Butti

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Week 5

October 27th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Downloaded Eagle Cad and watched a tutorial on it
- Studied requirements specifications and created a list of requirements for our project.
- Practiced creating a file and pushing it to github using the command line window.

Tasks to do next week:

- Familiarize myself further with Eaglecad and start working on creating the project schematic

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- The project schematic is due on 10/29

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Last Week Tasks

- Researched Arduino and arduino functionality
- Learned simple Arduino code writing to help out with the code
- Watched eaglecad introductory videos
- Tried downloading Eaglecad and Gerbv program resulted in no success
- Viewed requirements and determine if they can be implemented

Next Week Tasks

- Download Microsoft Project and ProjectLibre (open source project management software)
- Learn 3D printing method for enclosure build up
- Create schematic with eaglecad
- Help with Arduino function writing and debugging
- Learn project management tools
- Creating schedules and/or Gantt charts

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Preliminary schematic due on Wednesday October 29th 2014
- Schedule due November 10th 2014 made with open source project management software.
- Accessing Eagle in the lab and also using it on my computer after download.
- Download Microsoft Project.

Problems/Issues

- Unable to download Eaglecad on my laptop
- Unable to download any Arduino software environment on my laptop
- Lost laptop administrative rights

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Week 6

November 11th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☑ Downloaded ProjectLibre and got familiar with the program
- ☑ Created a schedule layout with Tyler, that will later be implemented into a Gantt chart
- ☑ Helped decide enclosure, moving towards using existing cases rather than 3D prototyping.
- ☑ Installed GitHub onto computer to create raw data push and pull system

Tasks to do next week:

- ☑ Create and finalize project schedule.
- ☑ Assist in the schematic revision process, and see if modifications can be made for the preliminary layout schematic.

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

☑ Due Dates:

- 11/05 Preliminary Layout
- 11/10 Schedule

☑ A lot of important due dates these next few make sure to check the schedule and see if the plan layed out is missing any key dates.

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Week 6

November 2nd, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Wrote code that allows matrix to keep the players choices illuminated throughout gameplay
- Start writing program that checks for a winning combination (should finish tonight)
- Wrote program that checks if a spot is taken and prevents user from selecting it if it is
- Researched enclosures to use for project, decided to modify existing case rather than draft and 3D print our own
- Downloaded ProjectLibre and learned how to use it
- Helped Wes create a list of tasks and dates for the schedule
- Update wiki to include our documents embedded in links on the front page
- Renamed files in the repository

Tasks to do next week:

- Finish writing check-win function
- Check code formatting and edit for readability
- Bug test code—make sure all functionalities work in all cases
- Present finished code and prototype to group
- Create board layout
- Provide oversight and input on schedule

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Board Layout due November 5th
- Schedule is due November 10th, Wes and I are trying out ProjectLibre and it looks like it will work, unless anyone else remembers how to download Microsoft Project and would rather use that

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Week 7

November 9, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Found libraries for the actual components we are going to use
- Adjusted the schematic on eagle cad and fixed some issues

Tasks to do next week:

- Learn block diagram modeling in level 0 and level 1 for the whole project and for the single components
- Work on the modeling assignment for our project

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- The project modeling is due on 11/17

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Last Week Tasks

- Learned Microsoft Project
- Worked with ProjectLibre
- Learned 3D printing method for enclosure build up
- Learned schematics creation with eaglecad
- Learned with Arduino function writing and debugging
- Learned other project management tools

Next Week Tasks

- Enclosure build up schematic for 3D printing
- Download Microsoft Project and ProjectLibre
- Correcting schematic with eaglecad
- Help with Arduino function writing and debugging
- Creating schedules and/or Gantt charts

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Project layout due on Wednesday November 05th 2014
- Schedule due November 10th 2014 created with open source project management software.

Problems/Issues

- Laptop still not fixed, only using school computer and remote access now.

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Week 7

November 9th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☑ Created first draft of Project Schedule
- ☑ Helped revise final draft layout
- ☑ Revised project schedule

Tasks to do next week:

- ☑ Begin homework 6, evaluate the system using a zero and one block diagrams
- ☑ Start creating test plan
- ☑ Order Parts - including enclosures that may be used

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☑ Due Dates:

- 11/10: Project Schedule

- ☑ Modeling/Design homework 6 looks lengthy, start early.

- ☑ November 11 No School

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Week 7

November 9th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Finished writing check-win function
- Started bug testing code
- Created preliminary board layout
- Revised schematic to final state, implementing a USB to Serial programming mount and IC
- Revised board layout, created final draft
- Uploaded and ordered board from OSH Park
- Provided input on, and helped finalize, schedule

Tasks to do next week:

- Export BOM from eagle cad and create BOM for final ordering
- Fully debug code, ensure proper final working form
- Start system modeling/design
- Start creating test plan

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Schedule is due November 10th

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Last Week Tasks

- Worked with Microsoft Project
- Learned making project schedule and Gantt charts
- Learned 3D printing file formats
- Practice more schematics creation with eaglecad
- Learned Arduino function writing

Next Week Tasks

- Order parts
- Learn methods for good test plan
- Drawing level-0 and level 1 block diagram
- Learn how to describe better project description

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- System design and modeling due on Monday November 17th 2014
- Schedule due November 10th 2014 created with open source project management software.

Problems/Issues

- Only using school computers and little remote access.

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Week 8

November 16th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☐ Received boards from OSH Park
- ☐ Created System level 0 block diagram
- ☐ Revised UML views for project
- ☐ Revised System level 1 block diagram

Tasks to do next week:

- ☐ Develop and discuss test plan
- ☐ Start testing board and components
- ☐ Begin Soldering parts to board
- ☐ Help Tyler in the adjustment of the enclosures
- ☐ Pay Tyler \$26

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☐ Due Dates:
 - 11/24 Test Plan

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Week 8

November 16th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Export/create final BOM for project
- Ordered (and received) parts for project
- Received boards from OSH Park
- Helped Wes with system block diagrams
- Created 2 UML views for project
- Upload UML views and block diagrams to wiki

Tasks to do next week:

- Fully debug code and ensure final working order
- Start creating test plan
- Start testing board's traces
- Start soldering parts to boards
- Plan modifications to enclosure to fit completed board/system

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Test plan is due November 24th
- We need to plan a time to meet together and start soldering/testing our boards
 - I'll need payment for boards and parts order within the next couple of weeks

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Week 8

November 16, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Learned representing a project with block diagrams and model it with level 0 and level 1 diagrams
- Did the level 1 diagrams for the whole system and for the components

Tasks to do next week:

- Learn how to solder with the reflow oven
- Start mounting the components on the PCB boards
- Learn how to create a test plan for the project
- Work on creating a test plan and a test case study for the next assignment

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- The project test plan is due on 11/24

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November 16th, 2014

Last Week Tasks

- Learn methods for good test plan
- Drawing level-0 and level 1 block diagram
- Learn how to describe better project description
- Learned 3D printing file formats
- Learned Arduino function writing

Next Week Tasks

- Writing Arduino code
- Start making test plan
- Start testing boards
- Start Soldering

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Test plan due on Monday November 24th 2014
- Reimbursing money for ordered parts
- Team meeting for testing and soldering

Problems/Issues

- Only using school computers and little remote access.

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Week 9

November 23, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☑ Created test case templates
- ☑ Created test plan, and revised
- ☑ Investigated Soldering process
- ☑ Helped PCB board connections with Tyler

Tasks to do next week:

- ☑ Begin assembling board(soldering) and testing for any flaws in the functionality.

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☑ Keep in mind that we have a final presentation that includes making a board too. Make sure to be ready to get together and build at least one PCB board.
- ☑ Tuesday, November 25th might be the day we begin soldering
- ☑ November 27-28 Enjoy thanksgiving! Don't waste too much money.

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Week 9

November 23rd, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Create Gerber files to laser cut solder template
- Piece together enclosure and find suitable modifications
- Test board traces
- Met with EPL attendant to talk about SMT soldering
- Helped revise test plan
- Helped create test case templates

Tasks to do next week:

- Fully debug code and ensure final working order
- Schedule a time to solder boards
- Solder components to boards

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- We need to meet and start soldering boards this week

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Week 9

November 23, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Wrote two test cases for a couple of the components in our project

Tasks to do next week:

- Learn how to solder with the reflow oven

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Find some time to meet with the group and help solder the board components

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November 23rd, 2014

Last Week Tasks

- Learned methods for good test plan
- Learned 3D printing file formats
- Created test case templates
- Created test plan
- Revised test plan

Next Week Tasks

- Writing Arduino code
- Learn soldering process
- Start testing boards
- Start Soldering

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Thanksgiving week
- Begin soldering
- Preparing for the final presentation

Problems/Issues

- Only using school computers and little remote access.

Week 10 check-ins

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Week 10

December 2nd, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☐ Helped Tyler Solder parts onto a PCB board
- ☐ Tested the PCB connections (LED connections, Resistor values, etc).

Tasks to do next week:

- ☐ Get a fully working PCB board
- ☐ Begin constructing the project poster
- ☐ Divvy up presentation material.
- ☐ Understand all aspects of the project
 - Go over Schematics, Layout, and all assignments turned in.

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☐ Due Dates:
 - Presentation: 12/12
 - Finals: 12/8
- ☐ Home stretch of the project, need to make sure everyone is working together to get this thing done.

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Week 10

December 1st, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☐ Almost finish debugging code
- ☐ Use laser cutter to create solder stencil
- ☐ Place and bake (solder) surface mount components to board
- ☐ Solder thru-hole components to board
- ☐ Test components mounted on board

Tasks to do next week:

- ☐ Finish debugging code
- ☐ Program microcontroller on PCB
- ☐ Modify enclosure to fit PCB and components
- ☐ Work on project presentation

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☐ Presentation on Thursday, 12/12 at 1:00
- ☐ Don't forget to sit in on two other presentations

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Week 10

November 30th, 2014 Last Week Tasks

- ☐ Learned soldering process
- ☐ Started Soldering

Next Week Tasks

- ☐ Test at least one of our game works accordingly
- ☐ Start working on the presentation
- ☐ Understand and reflect on what I learn on the project
- ☐ Make poster or PowerPoint

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☐ Project Presentation on Thursday December 12th, 2014 at 1pm
- ☐ ECE 411 Final Exam
- ☐ Meet with project partner to talk about the presentation
- ☐ Attend two other presentation sessions

Problems/Issues

- ☐ Only using school computers and remote access

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Week 11

December 8th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- ☐ Present Project
- ☐ Refine the projects enclosure, using fabric or any other material.
- ☐ Decide who is turning in the weekly reports.

Tasks to do next week:

- ☐ Relax and hopefully bask in the glory of being done with finals.

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☐ Due Dates:
 - Final 12/10 @ 12:00
 - Presentation Thursday, December 12 @ 1:30
- ☐ Practice presentation parts; be able to address all aspects of the project.

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Week 11

December 7th, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

- Debug and complete finished code
- Drill holes in enclosure to fit LEDs/button
- Finished soldering board
- Program microcontroller with appropriate code

Tasks to do next week:

- Clean up any issues with the project
- Finish making presentation
- Present project
- Attend two other presentations

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- Final is Wednesday 12:30-14:20
- We are scheduled to present Thursday at 1:00 in FAB 155
- Don't forget to attend two other presentations

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Week 11

December 7, 2014

Tasks completed last week:

The group meeting was at a time that was conflicting with my work schedule, so I couldn't meet with them to help with the soldering

Tasks to do next week:

- Help prepare the presentation

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Week 11

December 7th, 2014 Last Week Tasks

- ☐ Demonstrate class project
- ☐ Prepare presentation
- ☐ Revise presentation

Next Week Tasks

- ☐ Work on personal projects

Things to keep in mind/general notes:

- ☐ Project Presentation on Thursday December 11th, 2014 at 1pm
- ☐ ECE 411 Final Exam on Wednesday December 10th, 2014
- ☐ Attend two other presentation sessions

Problems/Issues

- ☐ Only using school computers and remote access