Commuter Tracking Sensor Network

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Updated Milestone Chart

Milestone	Team Member in Charge	Modified Completion Date	Original Completion Date	Comments
5.1 Install software (Django, Apache, etc.)	Seth	6/21/2014	6/17/2014	COMPLETE Apache, Django, MariaDB are installed and ready to go.
6.1 Disable root login test	Seth	6/21/2014	6/16/2014	COMPLETE Done automatically when Raspbian was updated
6.2 Set the SSH port to a non-standard port test	Seth	6/21/2014	6/17/2014	COMPLETE SSH Port is set to 1315, not the default port of 22
7.1 Begin playing with Pixy Cam in USB tethered mode	Jared, Alex, Seth	7/11/2014	5/1/2014	COMPLETE We've all experimented and interfaced with the PixyCam now, and familiarized ourselves with its basic operation.
5.3 Install and configure fail2ban	Seth	9/1/2014	6/21/2014	COMPLETE
6.3 Disable password login test - must log in with SSH key	Alex, Jared, Seth	9/5/2014	6/21/2014	COMPLETE SSH Keys are required to login to the server via SSH
12.1 Create status webpage, hosted somewhere else	Seth	9/5/2014	9/5/2014	COMPLETE Status webpage that pings the gateway is functional. Its currently hosted on one of Seth's pis, located at http://people.rit.edu/~srh7 240/ctsn_status.

Alex, Seth, Jared	9/8/2014	9/8/2014	COMPLETE Code review was completed. Information was documented regarding each file's contents.
Alex	9/19/2014	6/1/2014	Completion date pushed back since enclosure work is not beginning unti the 19th. Taking advantage of the slack time to gather more data. Half-wave rectifier circuit testing is underway. Output current of 3 mA becoming more of a priority and concern. Voltage is adequate for boost converter at 2.2 VDC average.
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11. Database Creation		9/23/2014	9/14/2014	
11.1 Create mysql or mariadb database so data from trail can be saved to it	Seth	9/23/2014	9/5/2014	Database work has begun. We currently have tables for error messages, nodes, and an error log. Next is a user table. The database can be talked to via a C API.
12.3 Link website to database	Seth, Alex	9/23/2014	9/21/2014	Database library is readily available and easily linkable through Django framework.
8.1 Use CAD tools to design sensor enclosure	Jared	9/26/2014	7/1/2014	DEFERRED Date was changed due to breadboard protyping and Eagle design taking longer than expected. Everything that is not dependent on the size of the custom PCB is complete. Awaiting dimensions to continue.
8.2 Use 3D printer to print the enclosures	Jared	10/3/2014	7/15/2014	
12. Website Creation		9/26/2014	9/28/2014	
12.2 Create web front end	Seth, Alex	9/26/2014	9/14/2014	Stub Django project is installed on the server and ready to be modified.
16.2 Activate website	Team	9/29/2014	11/9/2014	
13. Website Testing (See Gantt Chart)	Team	9/30/2014	10/4/2014	
6.4 White Hat Hacker Test	Seth	10/1/2014	6/21/2014	DEFERRED

				Date has been pushed back to after the website is completed to allow attackers to attempt exploitation of the completed server.
10. Sensor Software - Identify targets		10/1/2014	9/1/2014	
10.4 Train camera to figure out what direction the target is going	Jared	10/1/2014	9/1/2014	
3. Windbelt power module design		10/2/2014	6/18/2014	
3.3 Ship design for stamping	Alex	10/2/2014	6/18/2014	
4.1 Solder on components	Alex	10/3/2014	6/29/2014	
4. Windbelt power module construction and testing		10/6/2014	6/30/2014	
4.2 Continuity tests	Alex	10/6/2014	6/30/2014	
5. Server/Gateway setup	Seth	10/6/2014	7/1/2014	The server is a Raspberry Pi located at ctsn.student.rit.edu.
5.2 Interface XBee with Pi	Seth	10/6/2014	7/1/2014	XBees are in, but the antennas are not correct. This will have to wait for the correct antennas to be ordered
6. Server/Gateway testing		10/6/2014	7/1/2014	

2.1 Configure XBees				
for DigiMesh and				
have them				
communicating in	Coth lorod	10/7/2014	6/1/2014	
close proximity	Seth, Jared	10/7/2014	6/1/2014	
8. Sensor				
Enclosure Design / Testing		10/8/2014	8/7/2014	
		10/0/2014	0/1/2014	
8.3 Test (See Gantt Chart)	Jared	10/8/2014	8/7/2014	
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2.2 Range Test	Seth, Jared	10/9/2014	6/9/2014	
2. Networking				XBees are in, but the
Architecture				antennas are not correct. This will have to wait for
Configuration and				the correct antennas to
Testing		10/13/2014	6/15/2014	be ordered
2.3 Small-scale trail				
deployment	Seth, Jared	10/13/2014	6/15/2014	
15. Computer				
Vision Testing (See				
Gantt Chart)	Alex, Seth	10/13/2014	10/28/2014	
14.1 Sensors				
communicate target				
data with each other	Seth	10/14/2014	10/4/2014	
7.2 Interface Pixy		40/00/0044	0/00/0044	
Cam with an XBee	Jared	10/22/2014	6/22/2014	
1. Contact Monroe				Not a priority until we
County Discuss				complete more of the
deployment				technical requirements.
options for sensor				
nodes.	Jared	10/28/2014	10/27/2014	
14. Target Data				
Communication		10/28/2014	10/5/2014	

14.2 Sensors can communicate and write target data to				
database	Seth	10/28/2014	10/5/2014	
9. Windbelt Testing (See Gantt Chart)	Alex	11/5/2014	5/27/2014	Testing has begun for prototype four of the windbelt test fixture. Two coils were configured in series and data points were taken for a 470uF capacitor with a 150 ohm load and an IN5817 diode. This resulted in fairly consistent data set of 0.95 VAC before the diode, 0.3 mA of DC current over the load, and an average VDC and VRMS of about 1.25 VDC
6.5 Ping disabled test	Seth, Security Majors	10/31/2014	6/21/2014	DEFERRED While the server is on the RIT campus, this is completed since outsiders can not ping rit.edu. If the server moves of campus for whatever reason, this will need to be revisited
10.2 Compile GCC version of Pixy software and note differences	Seth	10/31/2014	9/8/2014	DEFERRED According to the pixy cam developers, GCC version is not ready to use yet. That's fine though, we can use Keil instead, when the licensing update in

				the department is rolled out.
7. Sensor hardware testing and integration		10/31/2014	7/11/2014	
7.3 Integrate with existing power module	Jared, Alex	10/31/2014	7/11/2014	Will be done upon completion of the power module.
17.1 Advanced II integration testing with focus on single node in controlled environment	Team	11/5/2014		
17.2 Advanced II integration testing with focus on single node in an outdoor environment	Team	11/10/2014		
17.Integration Testing		11/13/2014		
17.3 Advanced II testing with focus on operation in outdoor environment for multiple nodes	Team	11/13/2014		
16. Deployment		11/17/2014	11/9/2014	
16.1 Deploy nodes on trail	Team	11/17/2014	11/5/2014	

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Status

Difficulties

It is not apparent what current must be sent into the boost converter device for it to start up and continue running. Voltage levels are obvious from reading the datasheet, with 330 mV for cold-start and but only peak current levels are given for the signal entering VIN_DC on the converter at 200 mA typical and 300 mA maximum.

No difficulties from the software side of things.

Surprises

Maximum power out of the rectifier is extremely low right now at about 3-4 mW due to low current levels across the load.

MariaDB is actually pretty intuitive and not difficult to use. The documentation is plentiful.

Successes

The fourth version of Windbelt testing prototype is complete. Orientation of the magnet was changed so that its poles are oscillating directly into two coils, one on either side of the band for most efficient signal generation. The Windbelt is able to produce approximately 2 V_{AC} peak-to-peak, and 2.25 V_{DC} on average after rectification. An IN5817 diode was used in combination with a 470 uF capacitor for smoothing.

Database creation is underway. At the moment, error messages can be logged successfully to the error log table. The database can be directly communicated with any device directly connected to the router, but not the world.

In order to ssh into the server, an ssh key is required, instead of just a password. This will increase security, as it prevents brute force attacks.

Open Questions & Problems

Rectified DC current out of the Windbelt is quite small at 3 mA with a 150 ohm load. Increasing the load further decreases the current, so there is question as to whether the Windbelt will be able to drive the boost converter adequately. It should be a device of relatively low equivalent resistance, and the next step would be to try to attempt to quantify it.

Gantt Chart

