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PREFACE

This publication consists of all the research work presented during Electrical Engineering Showcase 2021 which held virtually on 25th January 2021. The research topic is mainly discussing about Smart Security System which has been implemented in residence facilities, educational properties or industrial plants. This annual showcase serves as a platform for undergraduate final year students to share their original, creative and innovative product and research work in a team which supervised by the lecturers. This publication intends to consolidate all the presented product and works, especially in Smart Security System so that it can be used for future reference and to be disseminated among research community in the area of electrical engineering.

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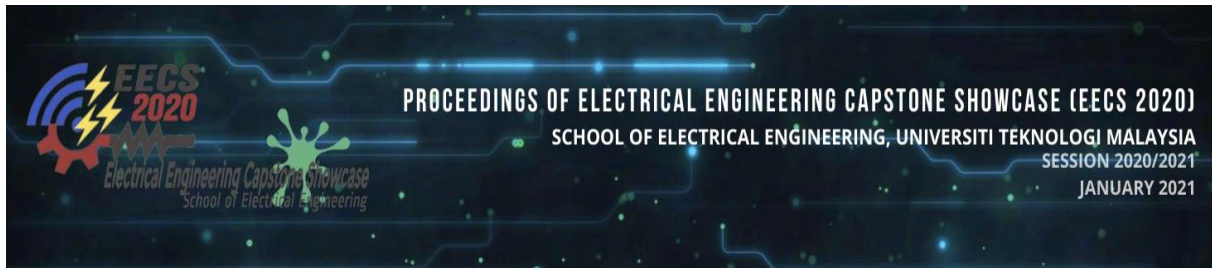
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GPS-based Asset Tracking for Lab Equipment

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Abstract: Asset tracking device is popular nowadays to track the location of mobile assets such as containers, machines, crates and other equipment even in remote locations. In the past, there was only one way to keep track of movable assets: pen and paper. Businesses would keep logbooks of their assets, establishing when something was signed out, into whose custody it was released, and when it could be expected back. Now, there are many technologies invented to track important assets without manual labour. Some technologies like GPS, Barcode, RFID, IoT and others are used. In this project, the use of GPS-based asset tracking system is implemented to track lab equipment in School of Electrical Engineering. Results demonstrate that this technology could help to improve the lab security system by securing lab equipment. Data from customers such as lecturers and lab technicians was obtained through Google Form to analyze problems they faced with the lab security system. The use of Arduino, GPS and GSM modules was used to validate the solution for problems faced by end users.

Keywords: Arduino; GPS; GSM; Asset Tracking

1.1 Introduction

The need for tracking of assets is fathomable in our everyday life in every angle. It is for the welfare and protection of our physical assets. Asset tracking is referred to as management of assets. The systematic assets tracking provides information about the location, status, schedule of maintenance, safety control alarm and other related important information about the physical assets. The tracking can be using barcode scanning, RFID tags and using GPS tracking.

Despite asset tracking is expensive however there are methods of asset tracking that can save your organization time and money where the goal is to maximize asset control efficiency and minimize equipment loss. The tracking system can include mobile/computer tracking, asset management software, barcode scanners and for real time asset tracking RFID, GPS, IoT and other mobile applications are available.

The proper management of asset tracking enables organizations to schedule necessary maintenance and services. A complete asset tracking system includes scanning barcode labels or reading GPS or RFID tags which are attached to assets to scan their fixed assets to track them accurately and efficiently.

In our project we are using GPS based asset tracking systems for lab equipment inside UTM which is a standard system for data collection and asset tracking, giving each asset a unique identifier so that they are individually recognized and tracked. Our product accessibility is very easy to use, accuracy is around 80%, 70% users are very happy with the quality and prices and it will result in reduction of lab management costs for UTM.

An overview of our tracking system working principle is show in below:

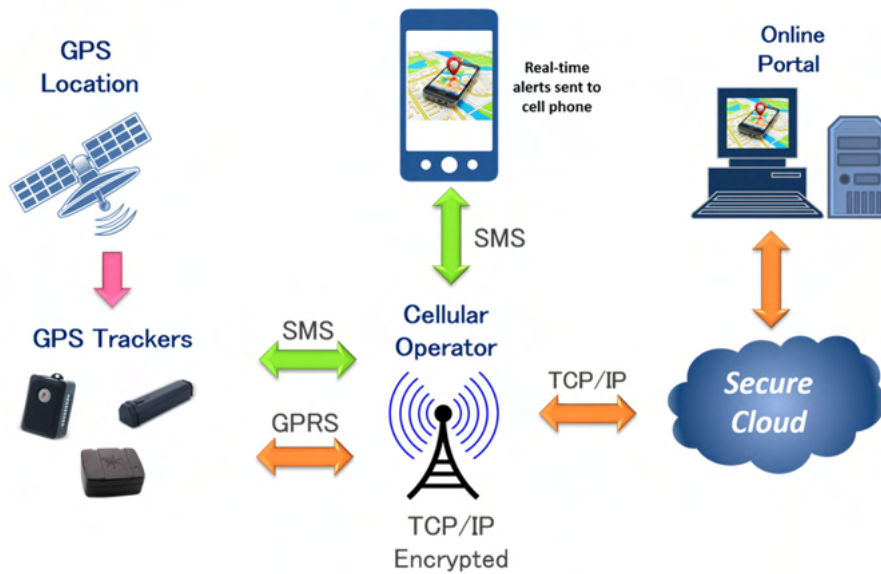


Figure 1: General Overview of Asset Tracking System Working Principle [4]

1.2 Objectives

The objective of this project is to create a tracking device that can track the location of the lab equipment by using GPS in real time. By completing this project, laboratory assistants can easily check the lab equipment regularly and just need to send a message to the sim number that has been installed in the GSM module to get the current location of the lab equipment.

1.3 Project Analysis

The theme of the project is Smart Security System. In order to decide the most safety problem in our school, a survey was done by our team using google form. We provided questionnaires related to the safety in the school for them to answer by using google form. The questions that we asked consisted about the problem faced by them. PIE chart below shows the various responses in our survey.

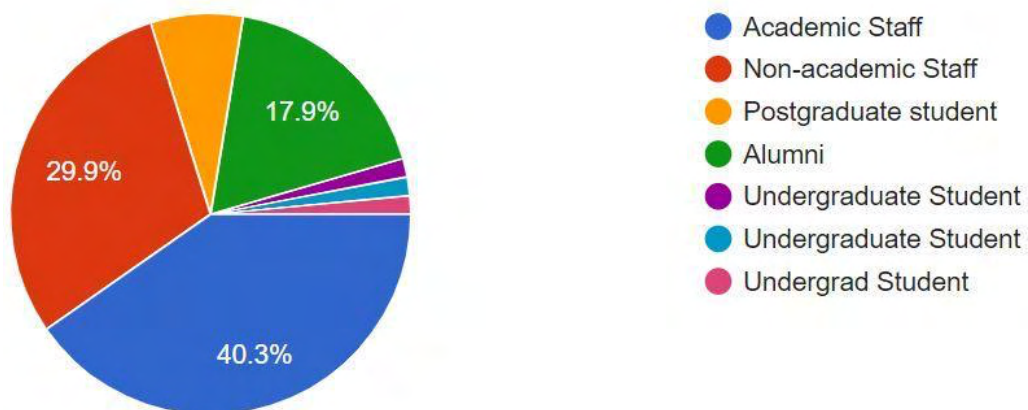


Figure 2: Percentage of type of respondents

From the pie chart above, we decide to choose non-academic staff as our end user of our project. Then we ask the respondents about whether they are satisfied with the current security systems in the school labs.

Are you satisfied with the current security system in the school labs?

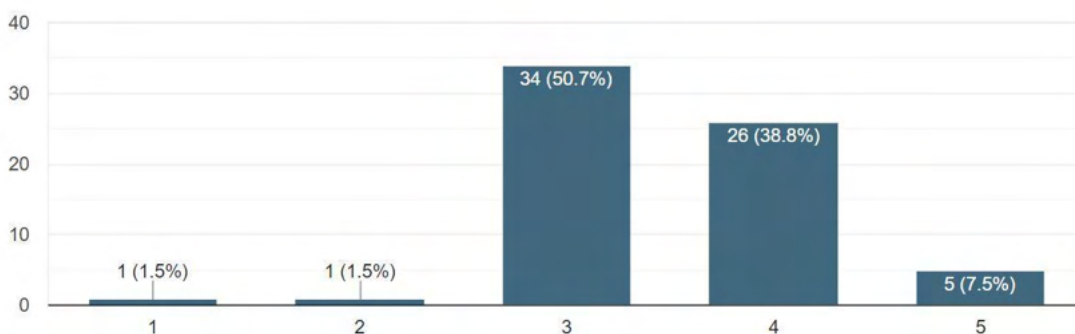


Figure 3: Percentage of respondents in terms of satisfaction of the current security system in school labs

What do you think is the main security issue faced by the school laboratory management?

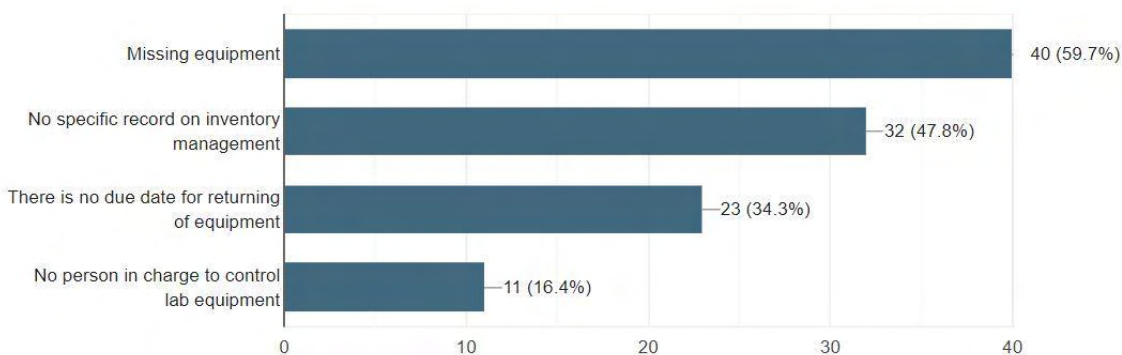


Figure 4: Percentage of respondents on the main security issues faced in school laboratory management

Based on responses in the questionnaires, the main security issue faced by the school laboratory management is missing equipment, (59%), followed by no specific record on inventory management, (47.5%), then there is no due for returning of equipment, (32.8%), and lastly no person in charge to control the lab equipment (18%).

For the next questionnaire, we ask for opinions from responses which is the most relevant asset tracking system for labs. Based on the result, most responses agree if asset tracking is implemented in labs, (71.4%). Then, we created the Internet of Thing (IOT) as the asset tracking system for labs based on the result of the questionnaire. The pie chart below shows the result of the which is the most relevant asset tracking system for labs.

In your opinion, which is the most relevant asset tracking system for labs?



Figure 5: Percentage of respondents on most relevant asset tracking system required in labs.

However, in week 8, we had a problem with our hardware. The NODEMCU ESP8266 (IOT based application) is failing to work. So we decided to change it to GSM Module NEO-6MV2. We changed our method from IOT based to GPS based. In the design development below will explain about this.

1.4 Design Statement

Based on the evaluation of data that we obtained from customers, we brainstormed and proposed some ideas for the design of our prototype according to the customer's needs. The most important thing in designing the product is to know what is the main problem faced by customers, and from there we were able to propose some solutions. The role of customers was also important to rank these proposed solutions from most suitable to less suitable ones. This approach led us to choosing the best technology based on our findings from the customer and also from the market survey. Based on the evaluation from the customers, we have come up with a system high level view for our product, which shows the external process of how the system should work.

From Figure 6 below, radius triggering is proposed where users get a warning message from the GSM module when the equipment is brought 500 metres away from the original location. Hence, users will be notified and can request for the real time location of the equipment by sending a message to the GSM module. Then, the GSM module will reply to the message with the link of maps location of the equipment. In order to create the system, we have explored components that are suitable and suit certain functions that we require and finally come up with the design of the hardware components.

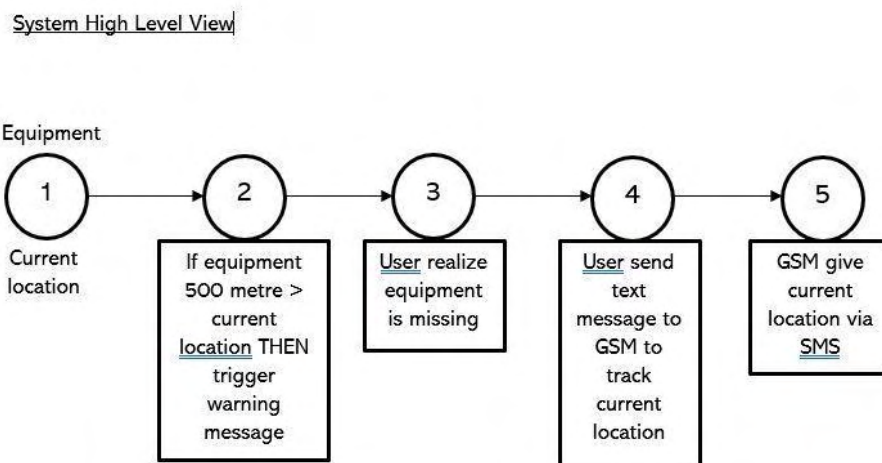


Figure 6: System High Level View

Figure below shows the radius that will be triggered by the GPS module, which is 500 metres away from the original location of the equipment which is in P04 in this case. In our coding using Arduino IDE, the radius triggering can be customized according to user's preferences.

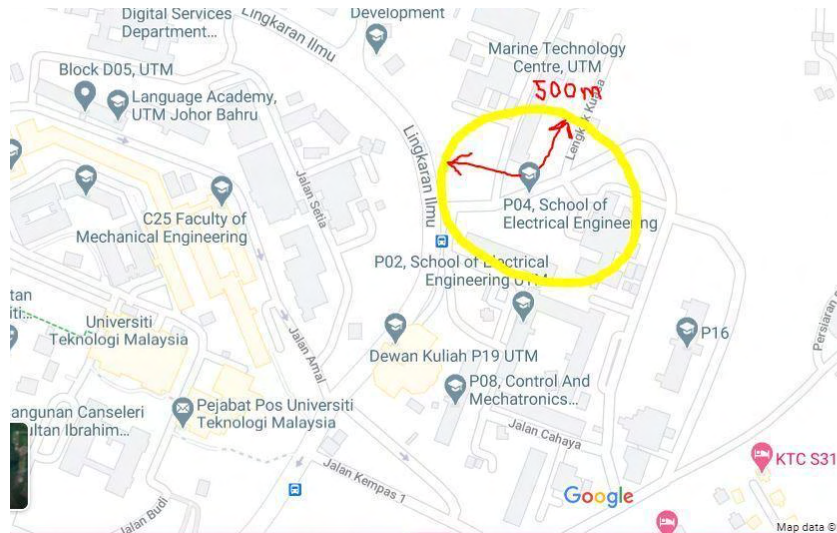


Figure 7: Radius triggering location

Next, after brainstorming for the functional part and discussing the suitable components for each required function in the system, we design the system configuration. Figure below roughly shows the system configuration that we have planned to develop.

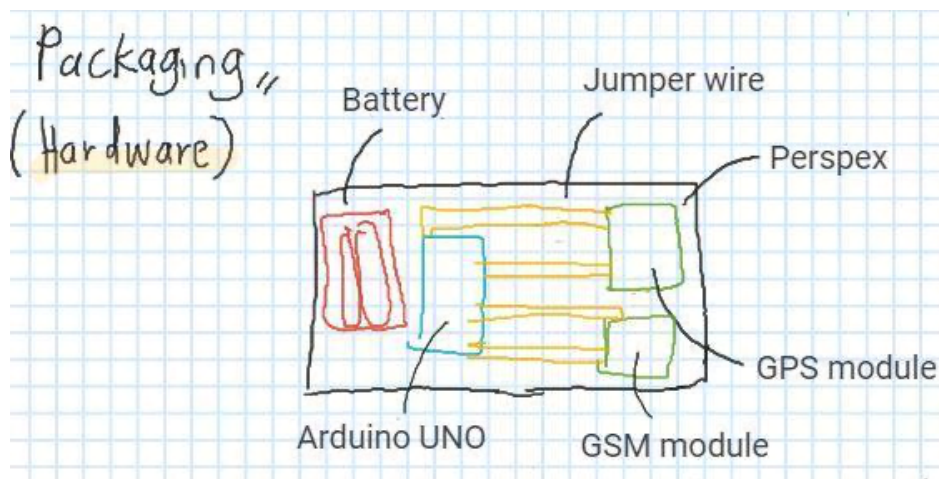


Figure 8: Overview of developed prototype design

1.5 Methodology

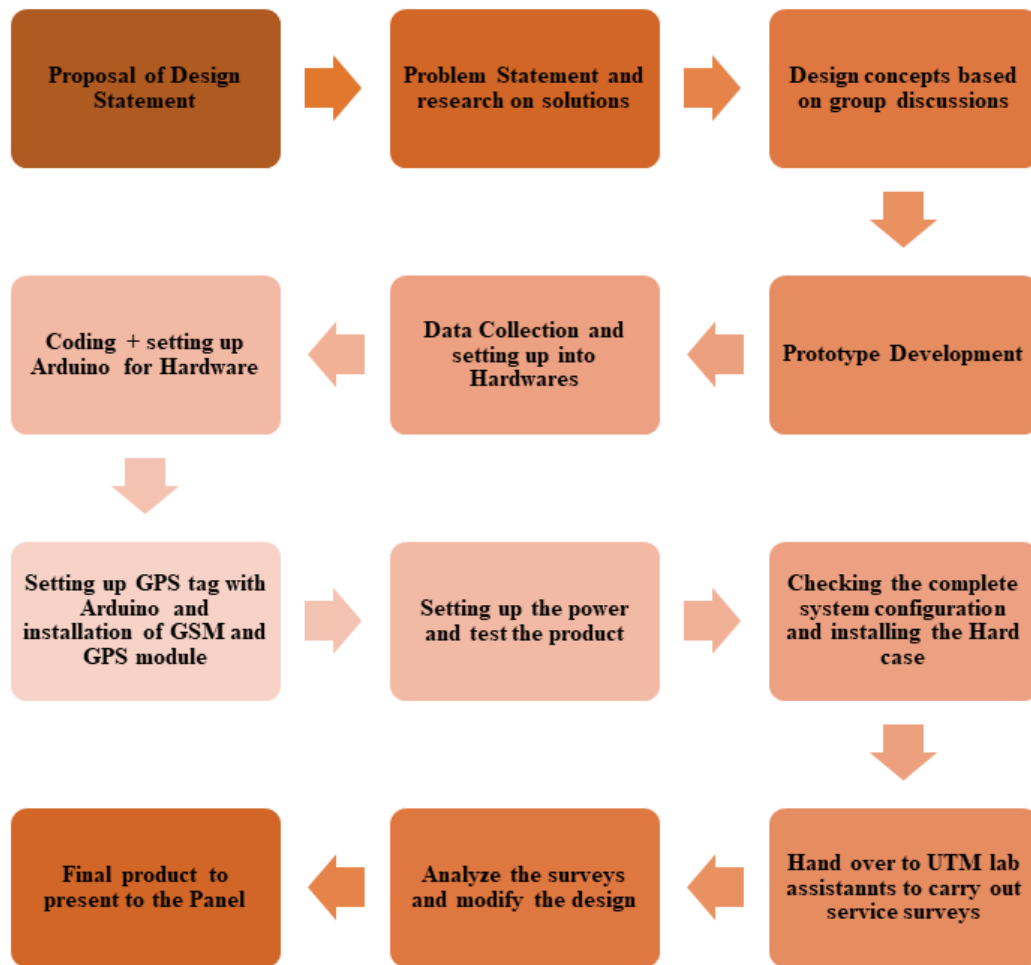


Figure 9: Methodology

Our project development started with brainstorming with the team members regarding the security issue in our faculty and coming up with solutions to the problems in order to get the suitable project title. Next, we conduct a survey using Google Form and spread to the customers which based on our project title, it needs feedback mainly from lecturers, staff and laboratory technicians/assistants. Based on those data we gained, we were able to come up with our design concept. From the design concept we have presented to the panels, we gained inputs and developed our prototype having in mind the improvements that need to be made based on the panels' comments. In order to develop the prototype, data collection is required such as market survey for the technology we want to use, the budget for components, comparison between our product and other existing products, the coding to set up the hardware, the packaging of the product and many more. We proceed with developing the hardware and do coding in Arduino IDE to enable interface between Arduino and GSM and GPS modules. Then, we test our product. After testing and troubleshooting, the components are packaged in a box and given to lab technicians for testing.

1.6 Product Development

The finding of the survey helped in decision of building an asset tracking to locate the equipment in real time using GSM SIM900A module and GPS Module NEO-6MV2 configure with Arduino Uno. There are six phases for the product development process which are conceiving, conceptual prototype development, purchasing components, product development, testing & troubleshooting and lastly, final product evaluation. Flow chart below shows the product development process phase to phase.

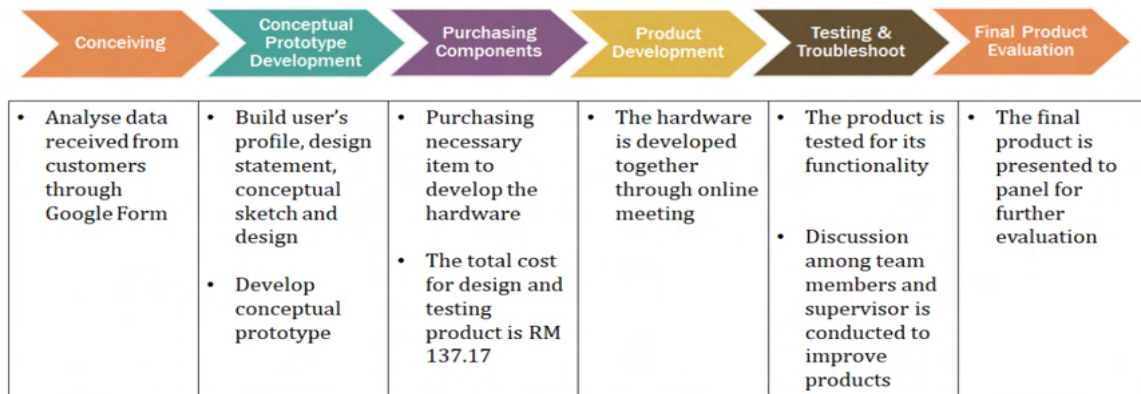


Figure 10: Product Development Process

i) Circuit

The main three components in this project are GPS (Global Positioning System) module, GSM Module and an Arduino Uno. For system configuration we use battery 3.7V as our power source. But for prototypes, we are using power banks as power source. Here, the live coordinates obtained by the GPS receiver module are sent via SMS to a cell phone using the GSM module. Figure below shows all the components that we use for the prototype.

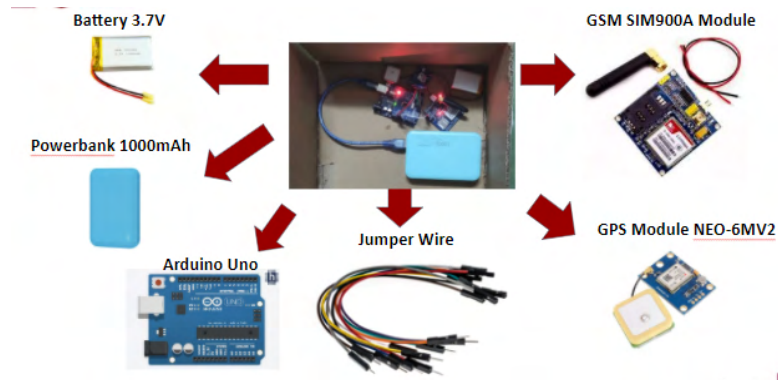


Figure 11: System Configuration

GPS receiver module is a device that receives information from GPS satellites and obtain the geographical position of the device. Figure below shows the GPS module that we used in our system which is GPS Module NEO-6MV2.



Figure 12: GPS Module [5]

Table below shows the connection of the GPS module and Arduino Uno.

Arduino Uno Pin	GPS Module Pin
Tx (Digital pin 5)	Rx
Rx (Digital pin 6)	Tx
GND	GND

Table 1: Connection of GPS Module and Arduino

A GSM module is a device used to establish communication over a mobile network. To operate or register a connection with a network operator or service provider, the GSM or GPRS module requires a SIM card. Figure below shows the GSM SIM900A Module that we used in our system.



Figure 13: GSM Module [6]

Table below shows the GSM module connection with Arduino uno

Arduino Pin	GSM Module Pim
Tx (Digital pin 3)	Rx
Rx (Digital pin 2)	Tx
GND	GND

Table 2: Connection between GSM Module and Arduino

The data is collected by the GPS receiver as a whole NMEA file document. Using the Arduino TinyGPS library, only the latitude and longitude coordinates are taken from it. The GSM module then sends SMS messages to a number specified in the file. This code is useful for GPS and GSM projects like lab equipment tracker and other Arduino based live location sharing or tracking devices and similar prototypes. Figure below shows the circuit connection of GSM and GPS modules to Arduino.

ii) Software (Programming)

The code is divided into a few components that initialize GSM and global positioning system (GPS), getting GPS and short message service (SMS). C language is the coding that we use and the software used is Arduino IDE software. Programming and coding is done in the software and executed into the chip that is integrated in the Arduino called ATMEGA.

a) Initializing GSM and GPS module

Both GSM and GPS were set to their acceptable frequency by Arduino. In order for them to operate, both GSM and GPS must have the same frequency. Output will show AT+CNMI= 2,2,0,0,0 to indicate that the GSM is initialized. If AT+CNMI= 2,2,0,0,0 did not show, either the GSM did not receive adequate electricity, or the GSM was unable to receive a network signal. GPS initialization is carried out by coordinates, latitudes and longitudes obtained for the first time by output.

b) Getting GPS

By using the GPS module, the coordinates of a certain location are obtained. In general, the data obtained by the GPS module from a specific location is NMEA sentence information. To make the project more user-friendly, connect the location obtained and combine it with Google Map. One can press a connection right away and it leads them to the place they want. Formats like degrees, minutes and seconds, metric degrees and degrees, and decimal seconds are used by Google Map. From the 3 formats mentioned above, our group decided to use decimal degrees. Conversion programming of NMEA to decimal degree format is done. By inserting degrees of minutes split by 60 and seconds split by 3600, the conversion formula is completed. The value of decimal degrees is therefore created and ready to be used as an input for Google Map Search.

c) Short Message Services (SMS)

The Arduino is waiting to receive a response while the lab equipment tracking system is in standby mode. If a message is received, which is "Tracking Equipment", Arduino extracts and processes the corresponding location from the GPS. After that, Arduino will grant the GSM module the command to send messages and links as coded in the software. Users will use the link to link to Google Map and check the tracking system. If a message is not sent, Arduino can continue to loop and wait until a message is received. The fusion of 3 main components made the system fully operational. All use GSM, GPS and Arduino to work from the first stage of initialization to the last step of message sending. The figure below shows the coding of sms that will send the link of google map to the user.


```

//send sms
void tracking() {
  init_sms();
  send_data("Equipment Tracking Alert:");
  Serial.print("http://maps.google.com/maps?q=");
  Serial.print(latgooglemap, 6);
  Serial.print(latitudesign);
  Serial.print(longgooglemap, 6);
  Serial.println(longitudesign);
  delay(200);
}

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Figure 14

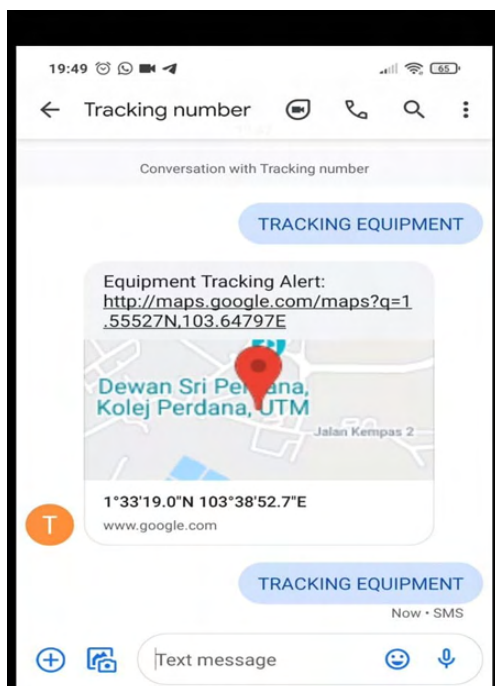


Figure 15: GPS data received by mobile phone

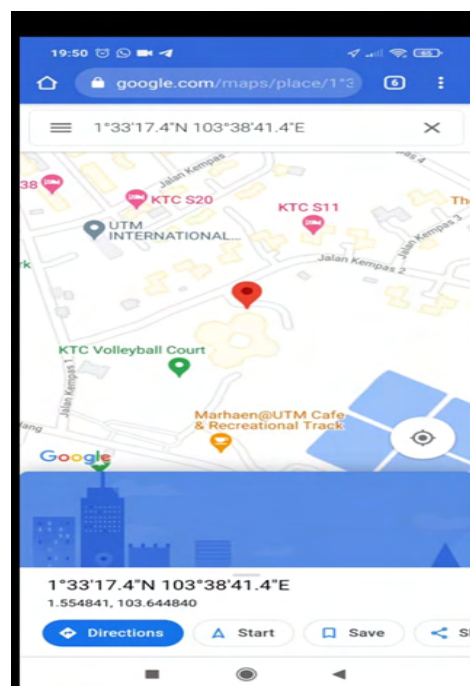


Figure 16: Location on Google Maps

1.7 Discussion on developed product

Initially, our group wanted to develop a system with GPS and IoT-based tracking system interfacing with Blynk application where users are able to track the real-time location of equipment just by opening the Blynk app and Node MCU to connect to a cloud server in order for GPS to get the location. However, due to some constraints we have made a backup plan to counter the problems. Hence, our final product is a GPS-based asset tracking system which uses GSM module, GPS module and mainly Arduino Uno.

The final product of this project is to track location of lab equipment using GPS technology which can be accurate to 3 meters of real time location. The user of this product just needs a smartphone and sends a message to the sim number that has been installed to the GSM module. By sending this message the user can get the link of google maps of current location of the product which has been installed to lab equipment. Due to limited time and resources, this project was not able to add one more feature which is a warning message will be sent to the user when the tracker is out for a certain range. For example, when there is robbery of lab equipment and this equipment has been brought out of UTM, the message will be sent to the user.

Figure below shows the operation of our product. First, Arduino need to be turned on by giving power supply to it. Then, if equipment is brought 500 metres away from location, the user will get a warning message. Then, the user can send a message to the GSM module. GSM module will send the location of the equipment.

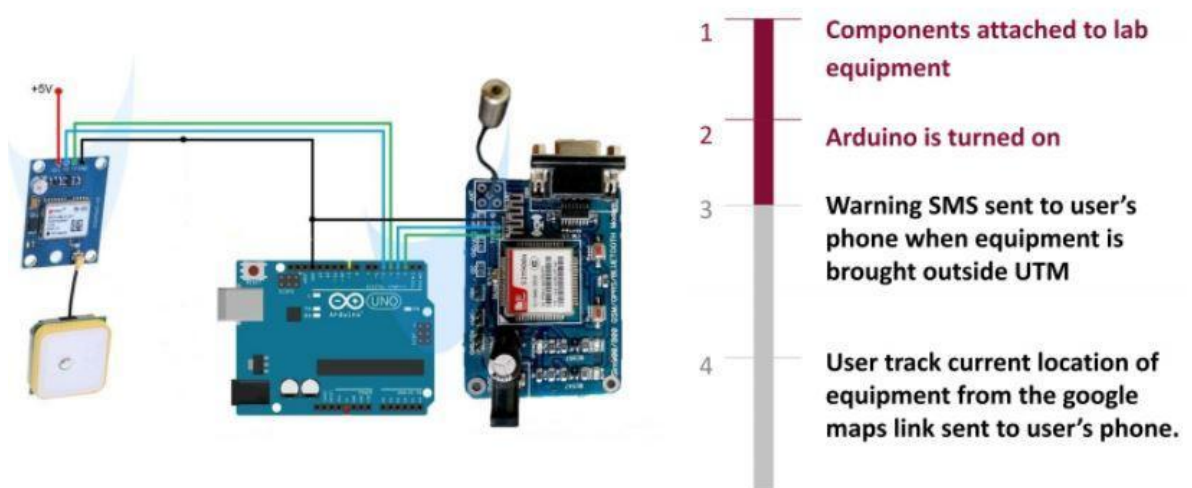


Figure 17: Operation of the system



Figure 18:: Prototype of final product

We have given the product to be tested by lab technicians and received some feedback regarding our prototype. Figure below shows their comments and rating regarding the impact of this product to the lab security system and the accuracy of our system. It can be said that most of them give positive feedback on our prototype.

How has our prototype made an impact on lab security system

5 responses

- The prototype makes it easier for us to track the real time location if equipment is missing
- It help me to locate missing equipment
- Secure lab equipment from being stolen
- Easy to trace
- We do not have tracking system implemented in lab equipment before. Hence, I believe this product may improve lab security system in terms of securing the equipment by keeping on track its real time location

Figure 19

Rate the accuracy of our tracking device from 1 (Not accurate) to 5 (Very accurate)

5 responses

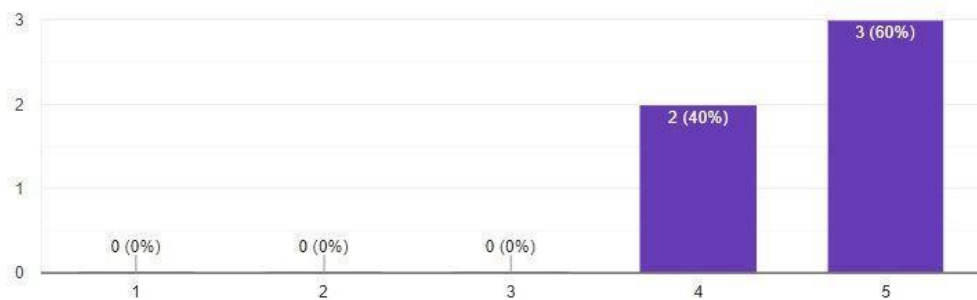


Figure 20

However, there are some weaknesses that we observed in our prototype. First of all, Arduino Uno needs a power supply all the time for GPS to operate. We counter this problem by attaching a power bank to the Arduino. However, let's say if a thief stole the equipment and power bank ran out of battery, GPS cannot operate and the user cannot track the location. We also got suggestions for improvement from lab technicians regarding our prototype. Figure below shows the suggestions for improvement.

Suggestions for improvement

5 responses

- Instead of using SMS to get the google maps link for current location of device, it is more feasible to check the location in mobile app
- Make the product smaller and compact
- I hope battery can last long
- Improve the packaging to be smaller
- Good product

Figure 21

Based on the developed prototype, we have made a comparison between our system and previous system in our faculty's lab. For the existing lab security system, there is no tracking system implemented. Our product are able to secure lab equipment meanwhile the existing lab has problem in securing the equipment hence causing more time to be spent in order to find these equipment. Most of the missing equipment are not even found when it went missing. Moreover, the advantage of our product is not much human assistance is needed when equipment is missing. Only one person is needed to check the location by sending the message from a mobile phone.

Previous System	Criteria	Our System
1. No tracking system	System	GPS-based
2. More time spent	Time	Time saving and faster solution
3. Extra labor cost	Costs	Not much human assistance needed
4. Missing records	Loss of equipment	Secure tracking with no loss

Figure 22: Comparison to previous system

1.8 Conclusion

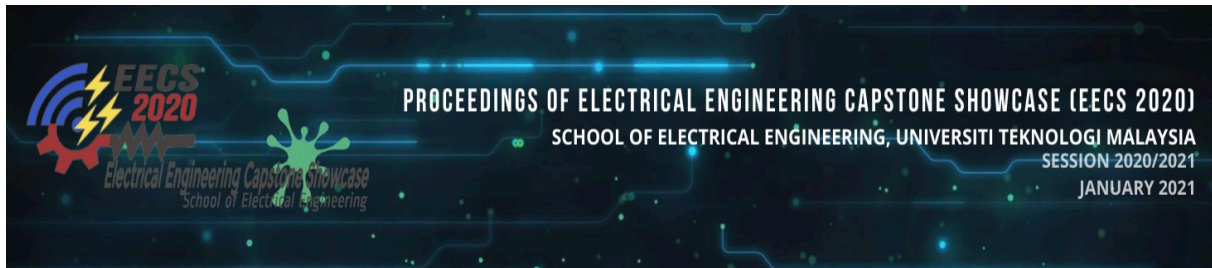
This Capstone project provides students with the opportunity to integrate technical knowledge and generic skills. Our team has started the project by distributing the questionnaire to SKE staffs to identify the needs of potential end users about the lab security system in various aspects and finally come out with the prototype. A smart tracking system for laboratory equipment has been successfully developed.

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Lab Equipment Security And Management System

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Abstract: This paper discusses the laboratory equipment safety and management system that is used by educators and administrators for campus management. The paper reviews a smart security system that helps to increase safety and management systems for equipment in laboratories. It then discusses the application features which are important and things needed for the laboratories in the form of mobile application, tablet application or website. The features involved are equipment categories, equipment list, borrowing form, due date return, malfunction equipment, days since maintenance, smart tracking system and user guide. The paper also presents a hardware involvement for tracking the location of equipment. The design specifications of the process includes social, technological, economic, environmental and political analysis (STEEP Analysis). AppSheet platform has been used as application development for this project.

Keywords: Lab equipment security; Smart tracking system; Campus management

Introduction

A security system is used to detect the presence of abnormal security or hazard conditions located in a given security area. The security system will be a necessary element for campus management to increase safety and expand effective organizational activities. Smart security systems for laboratories can change the security method from manual security operations to automation and digitalization that will give benefits for both campus management and laboratories in-charged.

Laboratories in the School of Electrical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia provide technical services for the students which include experimental assistance, equipments borrowing, technical advices and logistics preparation. Among others, equipments borrowing is very crucial, particularly for research purposes of postgraduate and final year projects for undergraduate students. However, there are common problems faced by the laboratories in-charge related to equipments borrowing, which include equipment loss, malfunction and equipment damage. It is observed that the laboratories are still lack of digitalised borrowing record and equipment tracing facilities.

These problems can be solved by developing laboratory equipment safety and management system. The organization of this system can be an effective way and accurate data management for campus laboratories. This application based system can be monitored using mobile application, tablet application or website. This project development is based on the STEEP analyses. Intentionally, this will lead to project with cost-effectiveness, alertness in development and following the current market technology.

Objectives

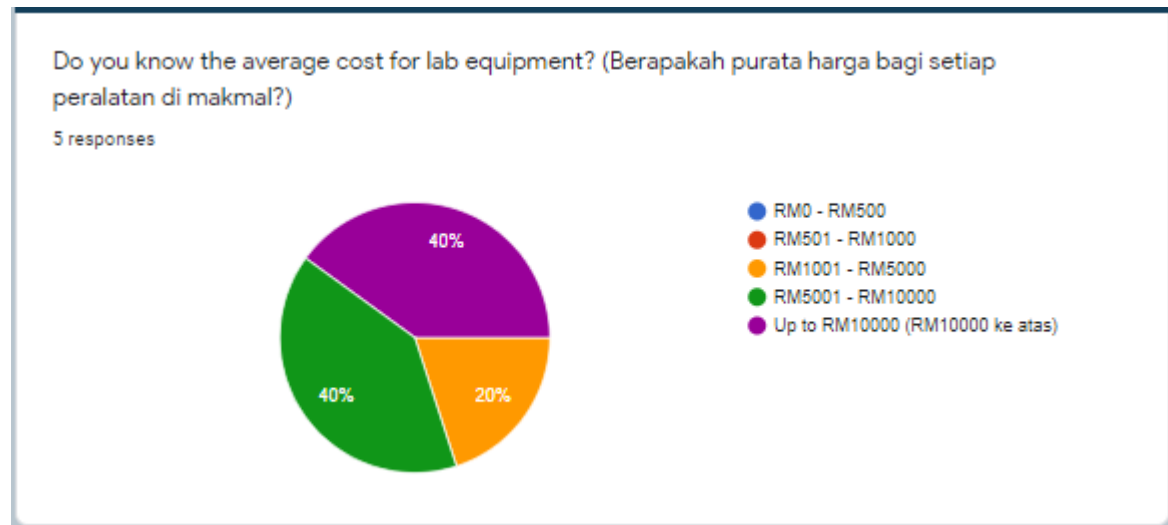
In general, there are two objectives of this project and they are classified as follows:

- i) To develop a user-friendly application of equipment security and management system that helps to monitor and update the equipments borrowing records.

- ii) To develop and integrate a GPS tracking system which will be attached to each equipment for location tracking of this equipment. The tracking system will be further integrated with the system which has been developed in objective (i) above.

Analysis Of Project

Project analysis is the process of examining the aspects of a project in detail. This is mainly to evaluate the project implementation within the predefined budget. In order to ensure that the proposed project is according to the smart security theme, the following questionnaires were created on the google form platform and sample of surveys were conducted accordingly.



To whom the equipments can be borrowed, and for how long? (Daripada siapakah peralatan makmal boleh dipinjam, dan berapa lama tempoh masa untuk meminjam?)

5 responses

Satu bulan

Sebulan

To / From whom? Staff/students can borrowed and the time line is depends from the borrower.

With Assistant Engineer with approval of Lab Coordinator/Lab Manager/Associate Chair (Facility)

Naib Pengerusi Fasiliti SKE (Mengikut permohonan)

What is the process of borrowing the equipments? (Apakah proses untuk meminjam barang?)

5 responses



- Fill in the form (Isi borang)
- Write name on the logbook (Tulis nama pada buku yang disediakan)

In case if not returning a borrowed equipment, what are the action to be taken? (Jika barang tidak dipulangkan, apakah tindakan yang akan diambil?)

5 responses

Keputusan peperiksaan akan digantung

Pendaftaran pelajar ditahan

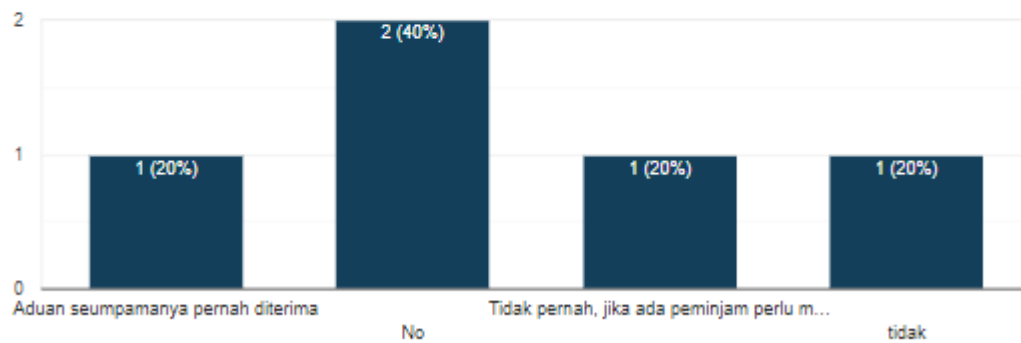
Ganti semula alat atau membayar ganti rugi.

Action will be taken

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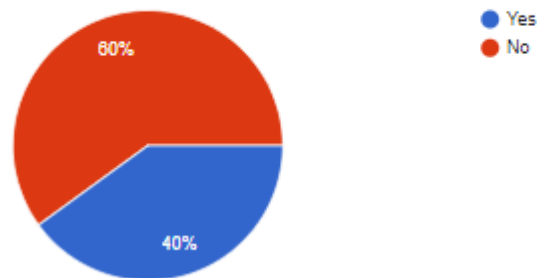
Have you ever received the equipment without knowing the equipment already been bust and can't tracking whose the last one borrowed it? (Adakah anda pernah menerima peralatan tersebut tanpa mengetahui peralatannya sudah rosak dan tidak dapat mengesan peminjam terakhir?)

5 responses



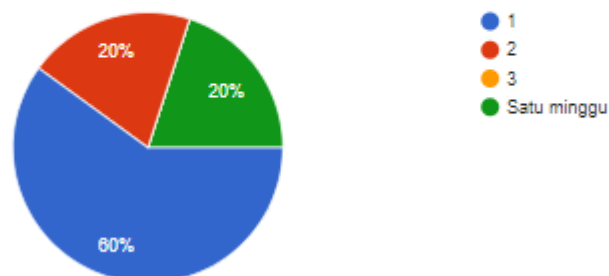
Is there any equipment got stolen before? (Adakah ada peralatan yang dicuri sebelum ini?)

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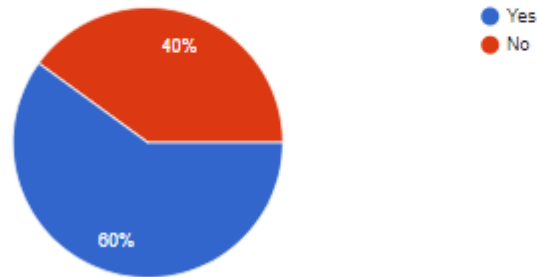
How many times a day you will check all the equipment? (Berapa kali sehari anda memeriksa peralatan di makmal?)

5 responses



Have you encounter any difficulty checking the equipment everyday? (Adakah anda mempunyai kesukaran untuk memeriksa peralatan makmal setiap hari?)

5 responses



What do you suggest as a new method to track-down the lab equipments? (Apakah cadangan anda sebagai kaedah baru untuk mengesan peralatan makmal?)

5 responses

Peralatan yang dipinjam boleh dirujuk atau disemak diborang pinjaman

Using apps

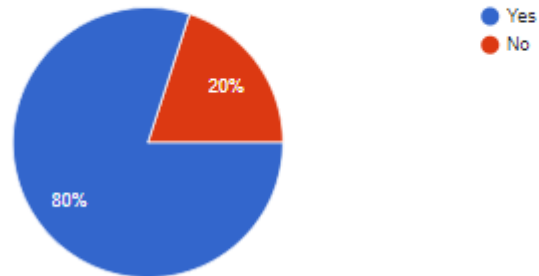
Jika peralatan bernilai tinggi boleh di pasang GPS Tracker. Untuk peralatan nilai sederhana cukup dengan kaedah sediaada (stiker UTM, Borang pinjaman/surat kebenaran pinjaman)

Smart tracking system

Penggunaan aplikasi pengesan yang mudah dan mesra pengguna

Do you prefer to use phone application as equipments checker? (Adakah anda lebih suka menggunakan aplikasi telefon untuk memeriksa peralatan di makmal?)

5 responses



What specifications you want to see in phone application? (Apakah spesifikasi yang diperlukan di aplikasi telefon?)

5 responses

- Tidak pasti
- Status of item, number of item
- GPS Tracker
- Easy to be used
- nama/no barcode/lokasi asal/nama pemohon + hp/lokasi penggunaan/supervisor

In this survey, the respondents were sampled from laboratory head and laboratory assistants for better perspectives on the importance of this project. Evidently, the responses indicated that majority of these laboratory in-charge need an automated application to manage the system.

Design Statement

Design means to create a plan or sketch of something that is going to be made later, especially a plan that details what the final thing will do and look like.

The main objectives of the design for this project is:-

- 1) To represent all equipment in every laboratory
- 2) To design an online form of borrowing the equipment
- 3) To know the In-charge person of borrowing items
- 4) To track the equipments via the GPS Tracking
- 5) Create a maintenance scheduling for all item
- 6) To know the malfunction item in the application
- 7) To know the status of the equipment borrowed.
- 8) Create a QR code for every item in the apps to differentiate the same item for each laboratory.

Basically, we create the application features based on the reflections by our respondent and we add extra features based on our discussion with group's supervisor in order to pursue the needs of the respondents.

Methodology

This project consists of two phases in order to achieve the objectives mentioned earlier. The first phase will explore the software part which includes mobile application. In the second phase, the hardware will be developed to be integrated with app mentioned in the first phase. Development of software depends on the operating system (OS) of mobile devices. The emergence of various forms of personal mobile device and associated various OS makes it important to make a smart choice based on the application requirements (Donahue, et al., 2015). We decided to choose the AppSheet application building environment.

AppSheet is an online development platform which enables easy creation and distribution of mobile, tablet and web applications starting from cloud data sources, such as spreadsheets and databases without any coding. Its first version was released as an independent project in 2014, while it was acquired by Google and became part of Google Cloud2 in January 2020. It mainly aims at business use cases, such as project management, customer relationship management and personalized reporting. AppSheet analyzes the structure of provided data sources and automatically generates the views within the application. However, the user is also able to customize the generated user interface by showing or hiding particular table columns, grouping or sorting data, creating additional views and inserting computed values with respect to defined formulas. Apart from widely used textual and numeric types, it gives the ability to embed the images and videos within the user interface as well (Jin, et al., 2015) . AppSheet is free to use for up to 10 beta/test users, while monthly fee has to be paid for commercial usage and larger user base. When it comes to more sophisticated features, the free version of AppSheet supports embedding value prediction and optical character recognition (OCR), while premium features include sentiment analysis, anomaly detection, data clustering and many other commonly used machine learning techniques. There are some limitations, such as the minimal number of data rows needed for application creation (which is 4) and prediction training (25 observations)(Karpathy, et al., 2014). In order to run software created using AppSheet on mobile devices (Android or iOS), it is necessary to download and install the client application from a corresponding online store which serves as a container for user-created applications. However, active internet connection for their usage is required. In Figure 1, an overview of typical application creation workflow (starting from Google Sheets as data source) using AppSheet is given.

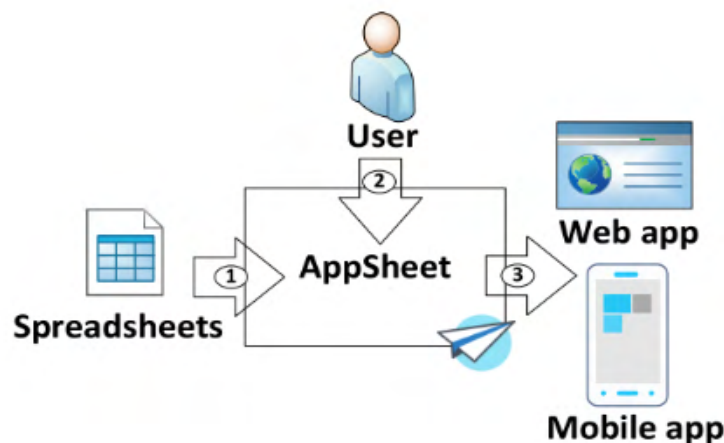


Figure 1: Overview of typical AppSheet workflow: 1-Import data sources 2- User customizations 3-Generated output.

AppSheet-based mobile applications have been approved as an effective solution across many industrial areas so far. In (Frome, et al., 2013), AppSheet was used for real-time online monitoring of on- shelf availability in case of fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG). On the other side, (Jang, Gu and Pole, 2016), used this app for a water management application that calculates plant water consumption within a given area. When it comes to healthcare, (Li, et al., 2011) leveraged the AppSheet for development of an electronic record keeping system at a pediatric clinic.

In this paper, AppSheet is adopted for our capstone project to help support us with mobile application development, as it enables rapid prototyping and delivery of data-driven mobile applications. As unexpected accidents (such as loss of a lab equipment) might occur suddenly, it is of utmost importance to provide support services and respond to them timely in order to reduce the possible consequences (Hendricks, et al., 2016). Moreover, another advantage of AppSheet is multiplatform support without additional efforts and modifications. Finally, cross platform mobile development frameworks such as Xamarin require solid programming skills, while AppSheet enables easy application creation by domain experts.

Now, we will see how to create an application using AppSheet plus the method of adding features. Figure 2 shows the main page after creating an account in AppSheet.

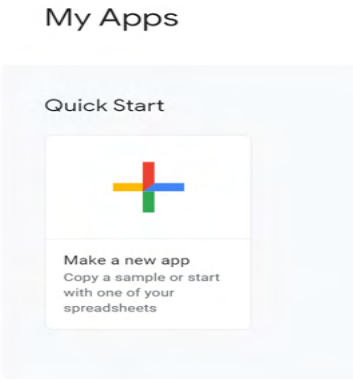


Figure 2: First page to create a new app.

Next, our previous and current working directories can be viewed as shown in Figure 3.

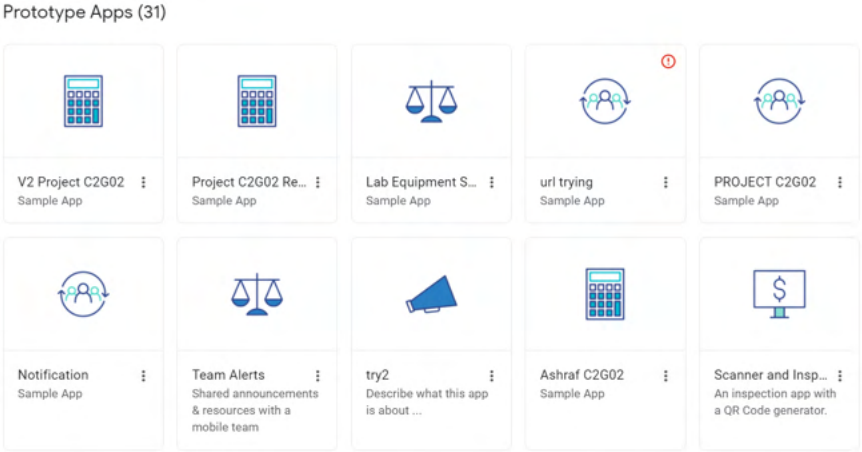


Figure 3: Working directories.

Here we can see the working space of the created app, as shown in Figure 4.

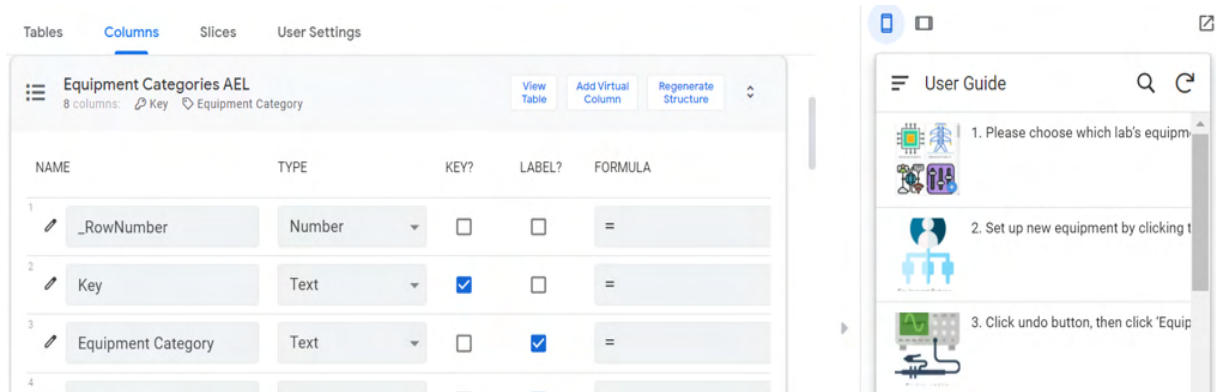


Figure 4: The working space in AppSheet.

Let us add a new feature and call it "resources". First we need to add data to google sheet from the table menu, as shown in Figure 5.

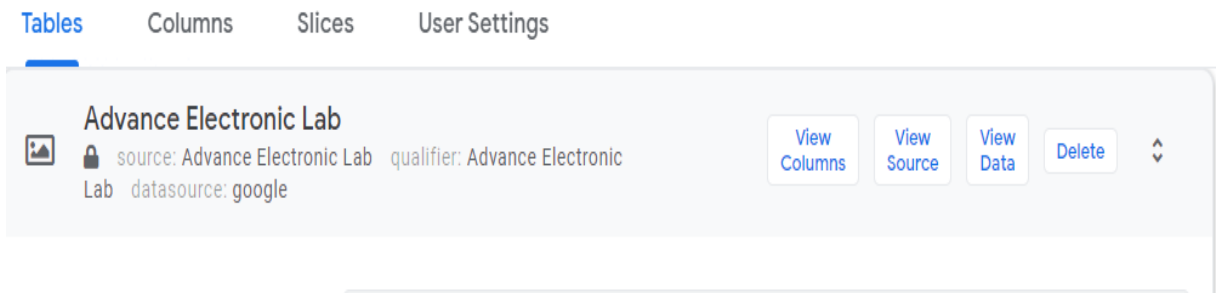


Figure 5: The table menu.

Here is the data sheet view :

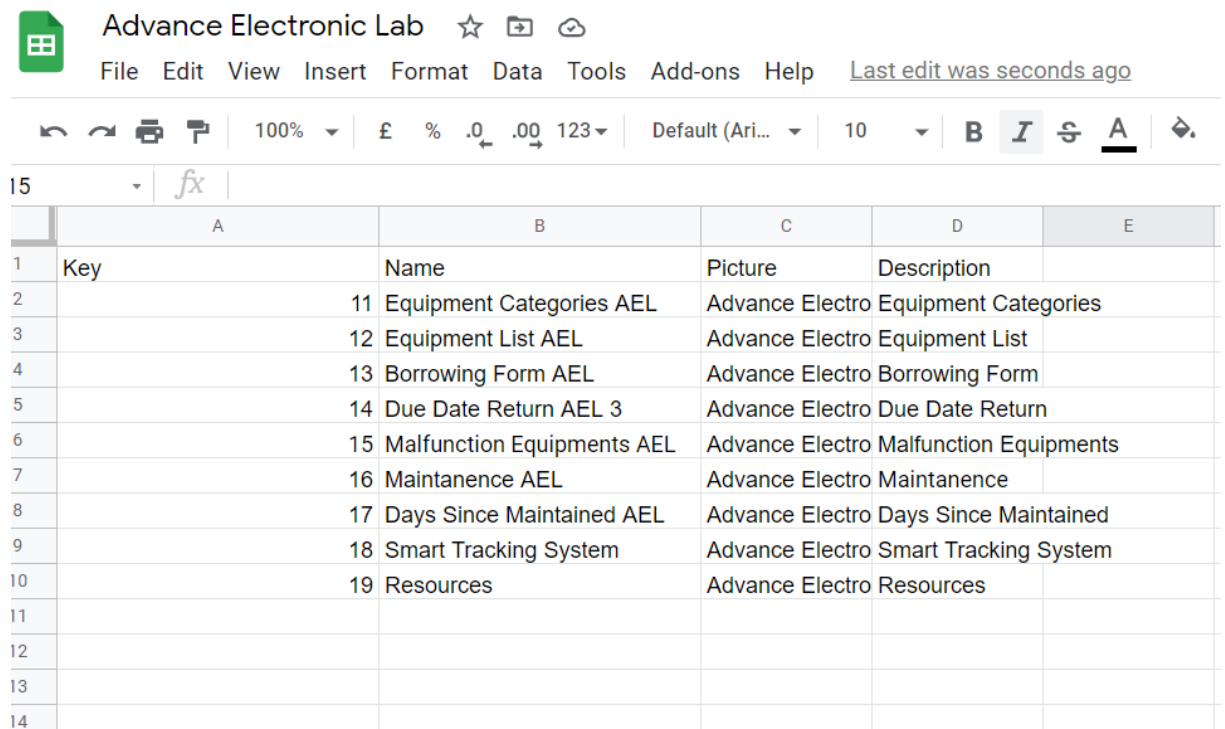


Figure 6: Data entry in google sheet.

After we add the feature required we regenerate the working space so it is uploaded to the application as shown in Figure 7.



Figure 7: Added feature.

Project Development

Brainstorming : ideas related to the lab equipment management and security system (function, features and etc). A general data gathering and creativity technique that can be used to identify risks, ideas, or solutions to issues by using a group of team members. Typically, a brainstorming session is structured so that each participant's ideas are recorded for later analysis.

Research: questionnaire distributed and research on the available similar system, and make improvement. Formulating a good question is sometimes the most difficult part of the research planning process (Jia, Salzmann and Darrell, 2011). That is because the precise language of the question frames the rest of the project. It is therefore important to pose the question carefully, in a way that's both possible to answer and likely to yield interesting results. Of course, we must choose a question that interests us, but that's only the beginning of what's likely to be an iterative process.

Design: planning on the appearance of the prototype and the features will be implemented on the system.

Prototype: Prototyping is used to model and create a functional form of a newly redesigned or re engineered component. It is utilized to test alternative approaches and to validate that they represent real improvements (Kiros, Salakhutdinov and Zemel, 2014). The greatest value is to study changes that could be very beneficial if implemented correctly, but could be extremely disruptive to the enterprise if implemented incorrectly. Prototyping is related to, but should not be confused with Simulation. Combining both software and hardware (smart tracking system) and testing whether the function works smoothly in a fully-developed product form (Kuznetsova, Ordonez, Berg and Choi, 2014).

Discussion

Features and Operations

Lab Equipment Security and Management System comes with many features that are able to track the location of specific equipment for safety purposes. Moreover, it helps the laboratory head and assistant engineer to manage the equipment more efficiently.

1. User Friendly App

After we open the app, the user guide shown in Figure 8 will pop up. The user guide assists the users to use the application properly. It also explains about all the features available in the application.

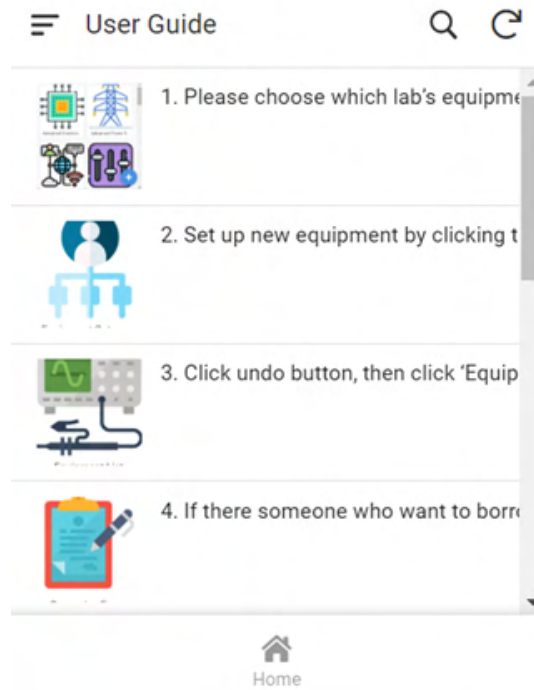


Figure 8: User Guide

The application is categorised as a simple app where it is easy to be learned and used. The app is designed such that the users will take only a little time for them to become familiar with the app. Attractive user interface shown in Figure 9 used icons to represent the labs and functions. Thus, users can easily identify the labs and functions from the icon.

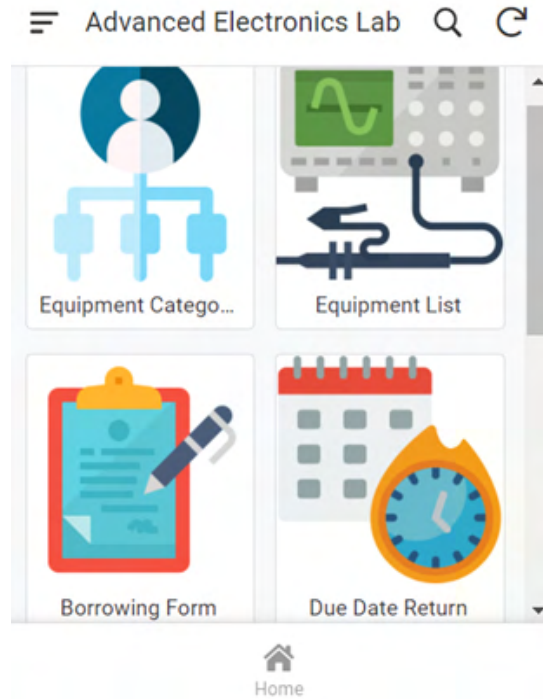


Figure 9: Functions in the app

2. Resources

The app can be linked to any website or file for future reference. The user just needs to insert the link when they created the equipment categories. This is shown in Figure 10.

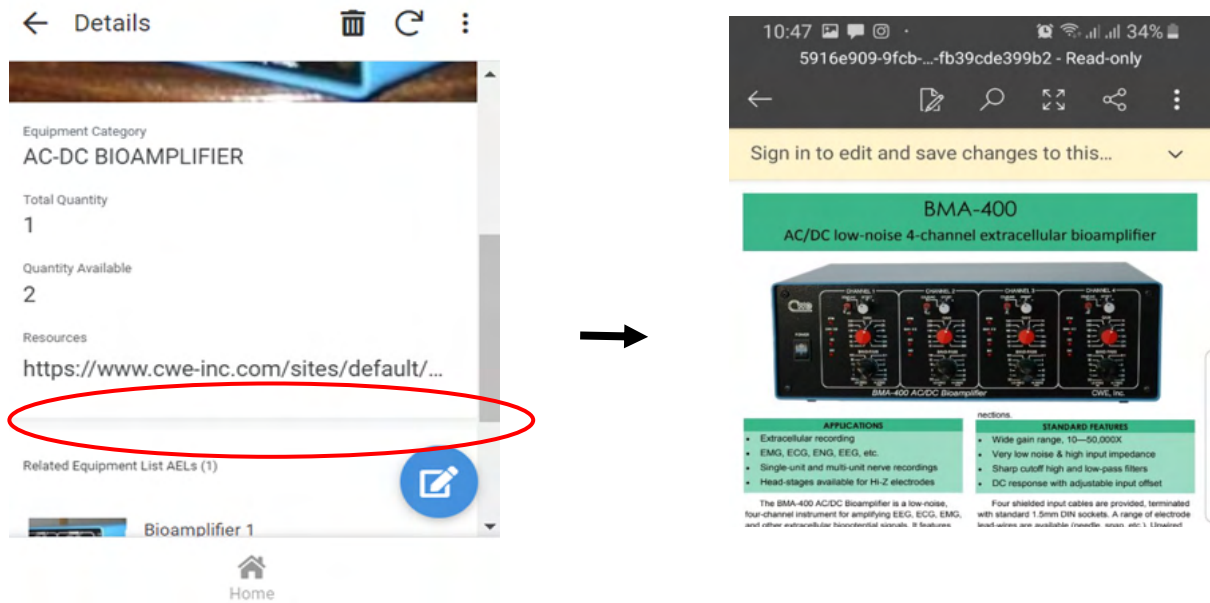


Figure 10: Resources

3. Equipment Checklist

Laboratory head and assistant engineer consistently check the amount of equipment available in the laboratory. The app helps them to check the quantity of equipment available more efficiently. They just need to ensure that the total quantity of equipment and the available quantity as shown in Figure 11 are the same. If both values are not the same, they need to update the available quantity. Thus, this will make easier for them to monitor the missing equipment.

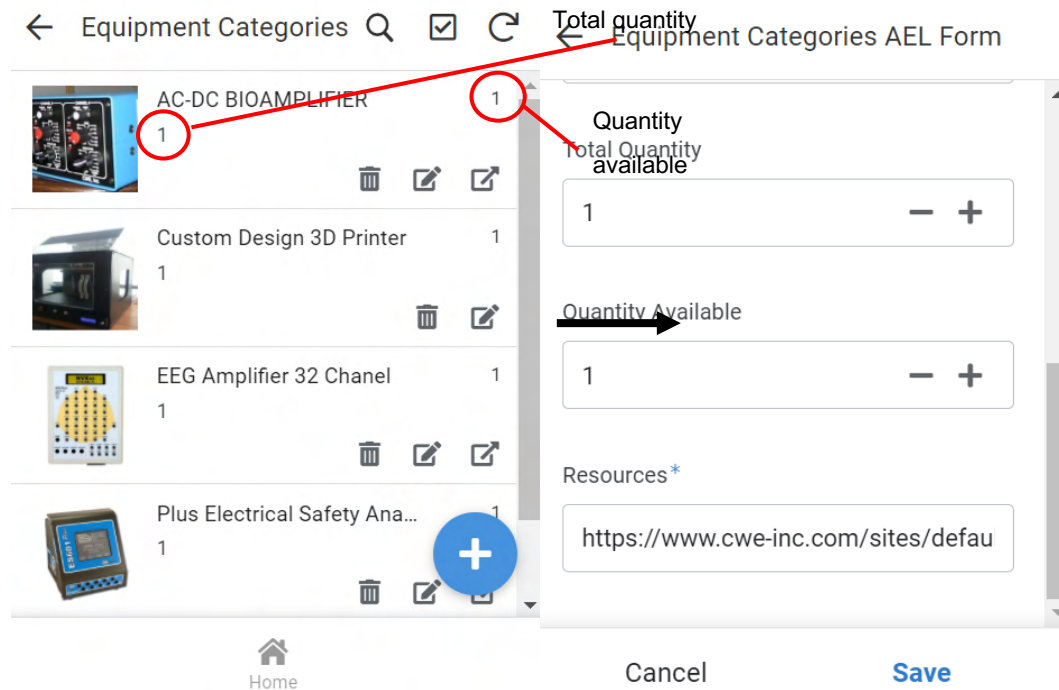


Figure 11: Equipment Checklist

4. QR Code Generator and Scanner

The app has a feature where it is able to generate QR code from the serial number as shown in Figure 12. The users can write any serial number they want, or they can choose default serial number which is the unique value. The lab head and assistant engineer need to print screen the QR code and stick the QR code on every equipment.

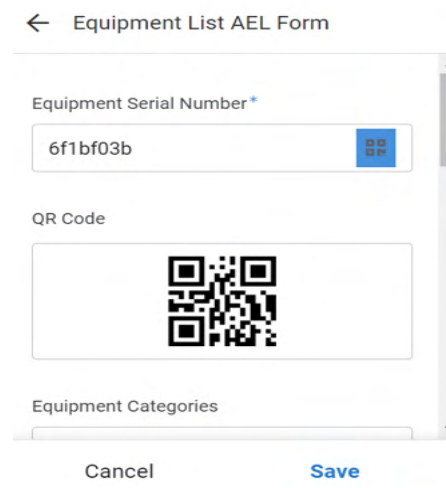


Figure 12: QR Code Generator

Another feature of this app is the ability to scan the QR code for easy identification. Users can acquire the information about the specific equipment just by scanning the QR code available on it as shown in Figure 13.

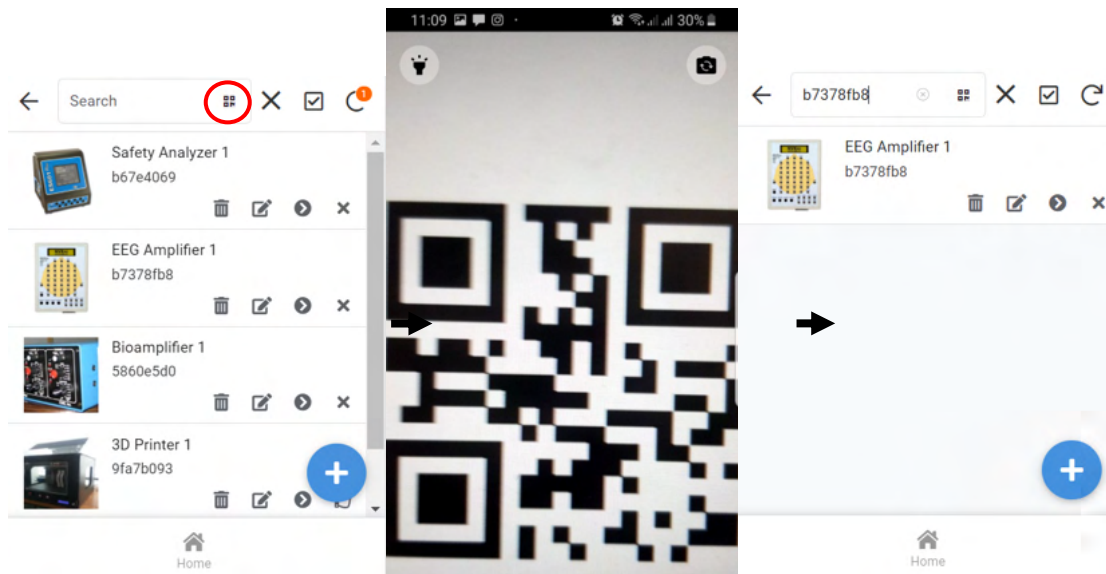



Figure 13: QR Code Scanner

5. Maintenance Schedule


Maintenance is very important for lab equipment especially for expensive equipment. The app can store the last maintenance date, so that they can monitor the next schedule date for maintenance.

← Equipment List AEL Form

Last Maintenance Date

23/01/2021 

Next Maintenance Date

06/02/2021 

Days since last maintenance

0 Days

Cancel **Save**

Figure 14: Maintenance Schedule

6. Borrowing Form

The app provides an e-form to borrow any equipment from the lab. The borrower (students and lecturers) need to fill in the information in the borrowing form as shown in Figure 15. The lab head and assistant engineer will then endorse the borrowing form. The information needed for the borrowing form are equipment serial number, equipment category, equipment name, image of the equipment, name, matric number, phone number, address, supervisor, reason for borrowing, date borrow, due date return, signature borrow, PIC for borrowing, date return, signature return and PIC for returning.

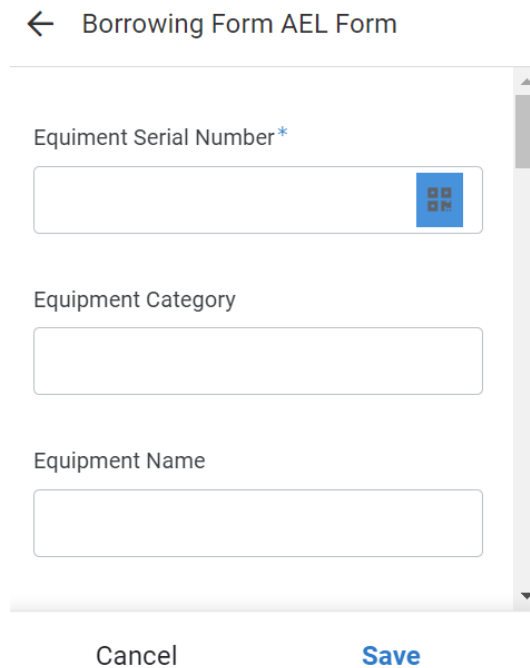


Figure 15: Borrowing Form

7. Equipment Status

Equipment status helps lab head and assistant engineer to monitor the functionality status of equipment.

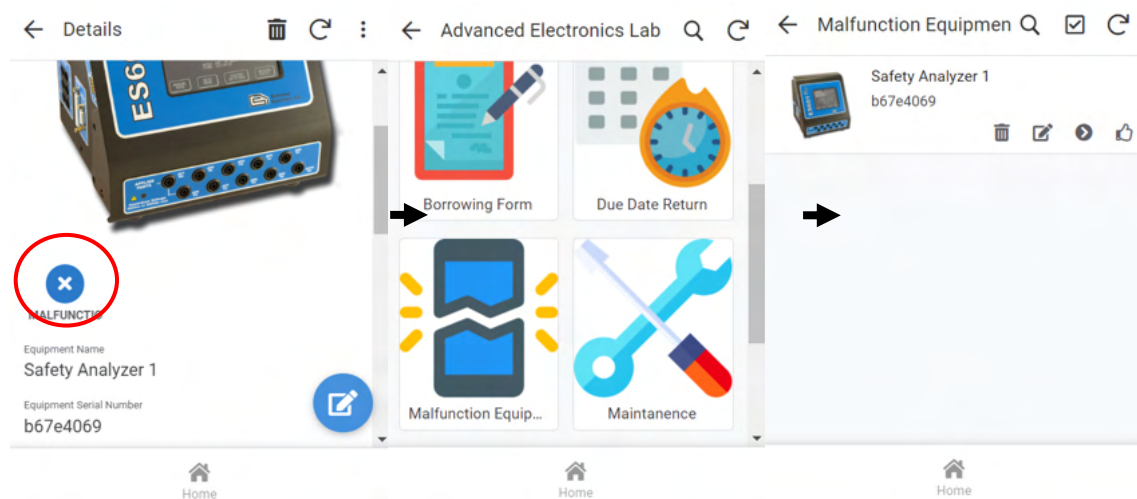


Figure 16: Equipment status

If the equipment malfunction, clicking the cross button on the equipment will list the equipments in the Malfunction Equipment function as shown in Figure 16.

8. Search Feature

The current system uses paper to store the equipment's information, where searching any information about the equipment is difficult and takes time. This app includes a search feature where any related information can be searched easily.

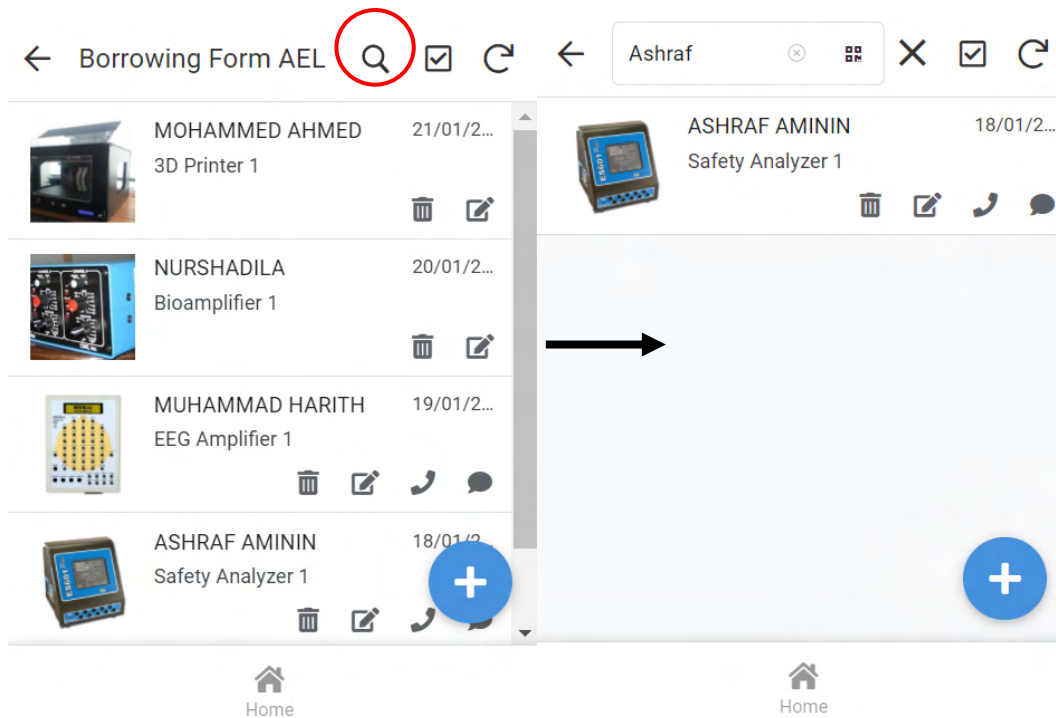


Figure 17: Search Feature

From Figure 17 above, the app will filter the view where it only shows equipment's information related to Ashraf when the user searches Ashraf.

9. Effective Monitoring system

Effective monitoring systems consist of 3 functions which are Due Date Return, Maintenance, and Days Since Maintenance functions. These functions help the lab head and assistant engineer to monitor the equipment more efficiently.

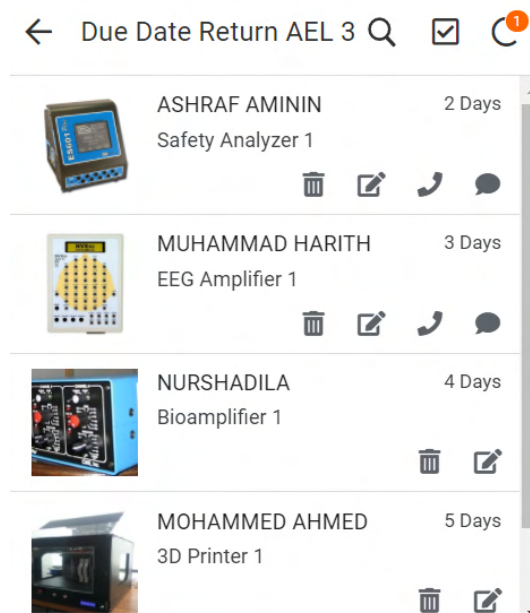


Figure 18: Due Date Return

Figure 18 above shows the Due Date Return that will list the equipment according to the total of days before the due date. The equipment will be listed ascendingly.

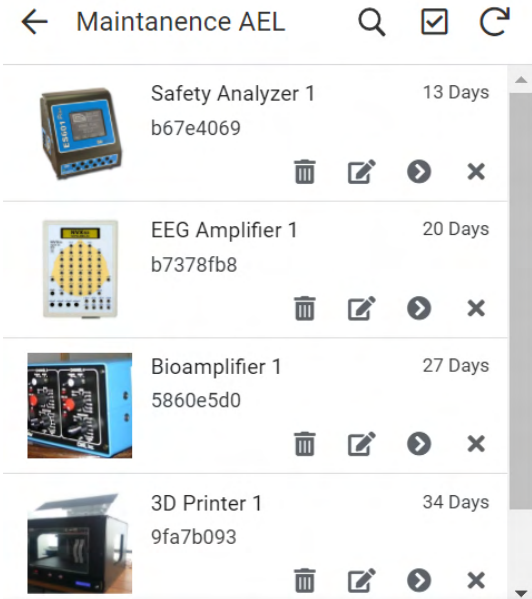


Figure 19: Days Since Maintenance

Figure 19 above shows lists the equipment according to the total number of days until the next maintenance date. The equipment will be sorted ascendingly.

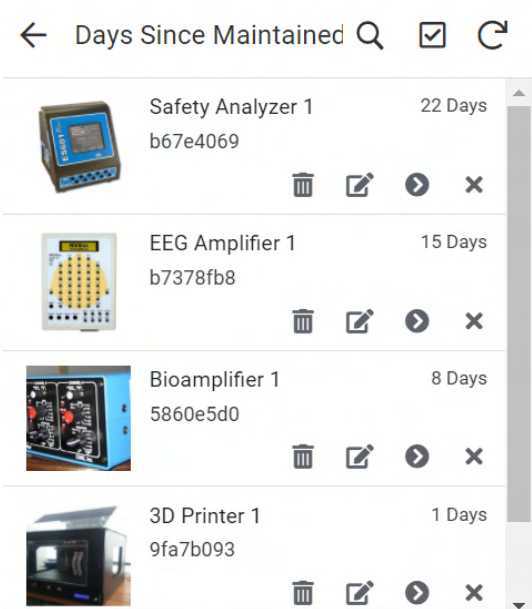


Figure 20: Days Since Maintenance

Figure 20 above shows the list of equipments accrued to the amount of days left until next maintenance in descending manner.

10. Smart Tracking System



Figure 21: Smart Tracking System Hardware (GPS Tracker)

This feature is known as Smart Tracking System which is based on GPS tracking system to track the equipment location. The hardware is shown in Figure 21 and developed using the NodeMCU ESP8266, GY-NEO6VM2 GPS module and female to female jumper. The circuit diagram of components connection is shown in Figure 22.

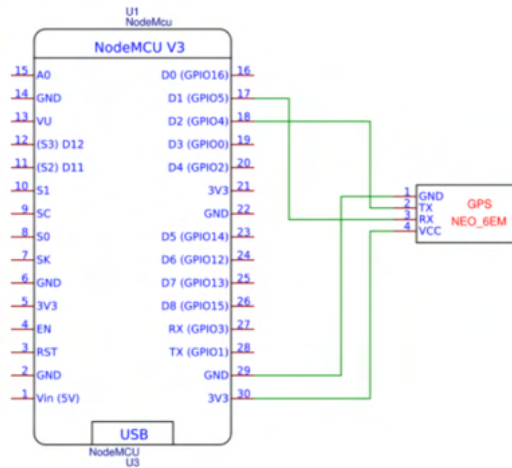


Figure 22: Circuit Diagram of Smart Tracking System

This feature can be accessed by clicking the Smart Tracking System and click the URL. The app will be directed to the web server where we can see the latitude and longitude. The location of GPS tracker can be viewed in the Google map by clicking the 'Click here' tab, as shown in Figure 23..

NO	QUESTIONS	FEEDBACK
1	Does the app user-friendly?	Yes (100%)
2	Does the interface look interesting?	Yes (100%)
3	Does this app able to help the Lab Head and Lab Assistant Engineer manage the equipment more effectively?	Yes (100%)
4	Does this app able to make the equipment more secure?	Yes (100%)
5	Does this app able to replace current system which use paper to store all information?	Yes (100%)
6	Will you use this app?	Yes (100%)

Table 1: Feedback from End User

Conclusion

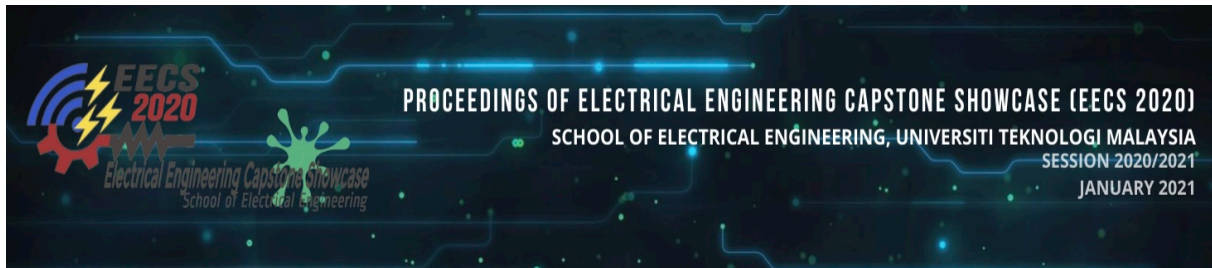
This capstone project of Lab Equipment Security and Management System has been successfully developed, motivated from current scenario and urgent demand for automated system. Based on our questionnaires, the targeted users crucially requested for this automated software with tracking system ability. The developed app has been field tested and the laboratory in-charge are vastly satisfied with the offered features in this app. Importantly, this app will be a good candidate to replace the current paper based system. For future recommendation, it is our hope that this app can be further enhanced for more added features and applied in our school's laboratories.

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IoT BASED ANTI-THEFT SYSTEM

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ABSTRACT: A smart security system that the educators and administrators can use in the School of Electrical Engineering to ensure the school's properties' safety has been designed. The Global Positioning System (GPS) module is used to determine location, altitude, speed, date and time in Universal Time Coordinated (UTC). Our project interfaces the GPS module with the NodeMCU controller to get the equipment's latitude and longitude. When the power cable is cut, the wire break alarm is triggered. The GPS module and wire break alarm are sent to the Firebase database through NodeMCU built-in WIFI. This database can be accessed from anywhere to monitor the equipment's location where the system is installed. Once the data gets to the database, the user has an interface that allows them to proactively check in on the mobile application created using MIT App Inventor. The mobile application displays the real-time data from the Firebase database, such as the latitude, longitude and wire break alarm status.

Keywords: GPS module; NodeMCU; Wire break alarm; Firebase; Mobile application

INTRODUCTION

Towards the modernization era, technology has become common that cannot live apart from our daily life. The technologies have even evolved faster in the recent ten years. More smart technologies are developed and made people's lives easier. As technologies have become more demanding, more consequences will be caused that affect our daily lives. Therefore, more security devices have gradually been introduced, with aided current technologies that would help tackle the problem.

A smart security system is defined as a cluster of physical components and connected devices in a system. This system is usually implemented into either home or business. A central control panel coordinates the network of the integrated devices to ensure the building is protected against potential intruders. Typically, it comes with 24 hours/ 7 days monitoring remotely by using Wi-Fi or Bluetooth to connect to mobile phones. All smart systems and smart objects exist in this world connected and able to communicate with each other, known as the Internet of Things (IoT).

IoT refers to the physical devices connected to the internet via mobile data or Wi-Fi with collecting and sharing the data from the database. These devices are connected with adding sensors to enhance another level of digital intelligence and communicate with real-time data. Merging physical devices and digital would make the world more responsive and more intelligent. The following section will explain the project using a system based on the Internet of Things (IoT) connecting with a mobile application and real-time data from Firebase.

OBJECTIVES

This project's main objective is to design a more reliable and robust security system in SKE capable of notifying the user and tracking the location when attempted stealing. The current security measures in the School of Electrical Engineering (SKE) could not work as efficiently as possible. Thus there was a need for improvement on the security system. To achieve this, hardware construction and software application development will be conducted. Detailed below are some specific objectives to achieve this: -

1. To interface NodeMCU with a GPS module to send location details of the equipment in terms of latitude and longitude.
2. To set up a wire break alarm in the system.
3. Develop an application that displays the real-time data from the database to check in on the system proactively.

DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS OF INTERVIEW FOR THE PROJECT

The interview description for this project is summarised into the following categories: recognizing the related tracking system, the user experience regarding the stolen equipment, and the recommendation of the preferred method for preventing theft. The targeted respondents respond, which comprises staff, lecturers, and students in the School of Electrical Engineering (SKE).

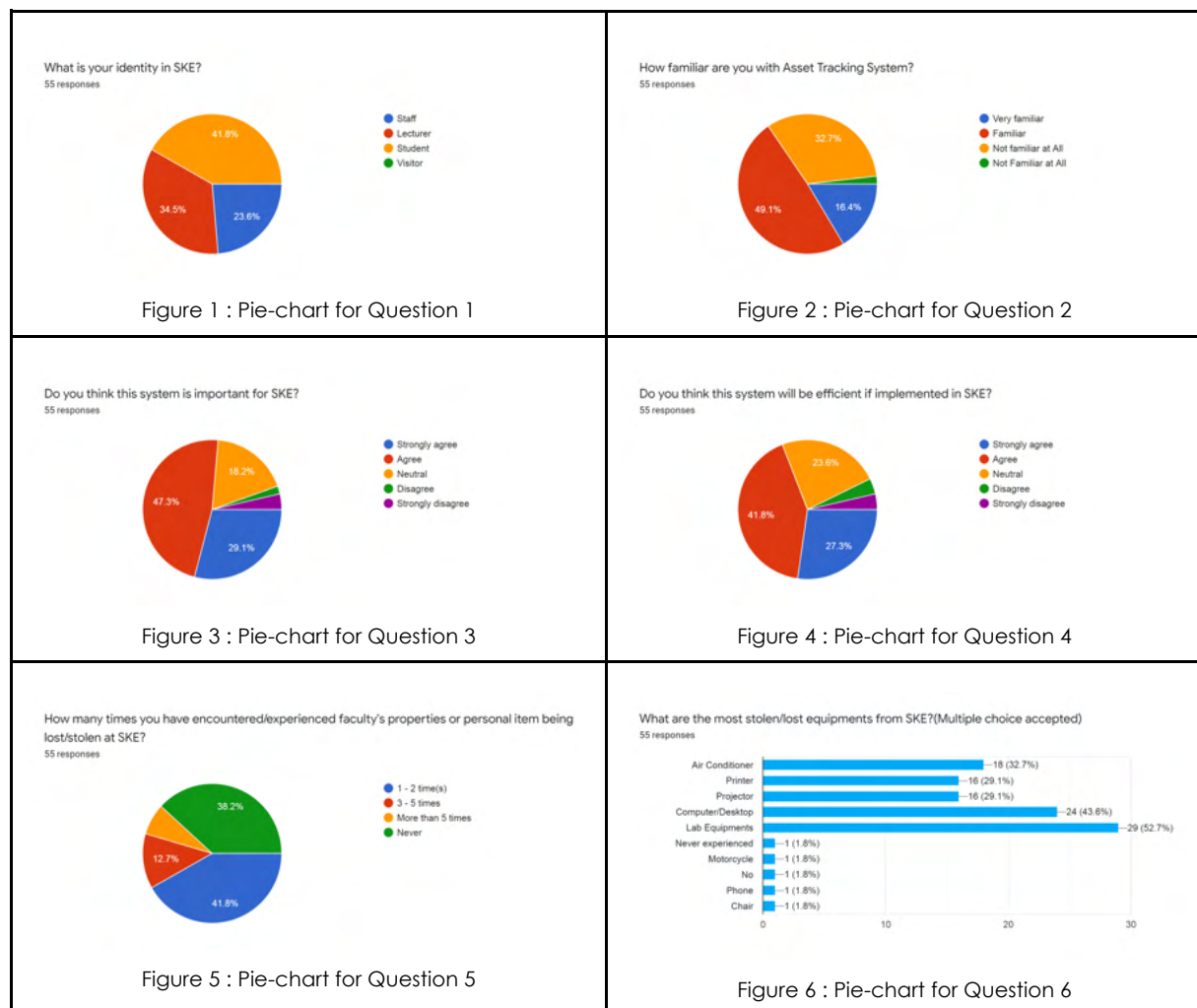
Based on the responses analyzed as all figures are shown below from Figure 1 until Figure 10, it can be summarised that 65% of the respondents are familiar with the related tracking system. Besides, it is identified that nearly 62% of the respondents have experienced item being stolen, whereby lab equipment is the most frequent stolen item. Moreover, the respondents recommended that a motion sensor be installed with the equipment, and it has to be reported to the UTM Security Division if there is theft.

Subsequently, a hardware component consisting of a GPS module and a NodeMCU ESP32 is installed into the equipment. Meanwhile, a mobile application is also to be developed to overcome the problem.

After the responses have been analyzed, a data extract is done, as shown in Figure 11. Then all data have clustered into ten questions which will focus on another further analysis. It is shown below that is Figure 12. The analysis will be done in terms of Social, Technology, Economical, Environmental and Political. It can be abbreviated as STEEP analysis.

In terms of social, the proposed system can reduce theft cases, leading to a peaceful community. Other than that, this project increases the efficiency of administration works in SKE that ease access to Information. Therefore, it can also be aligned with the tagline as the Industrial Revolution (IR) 4.0. Besides, this project is less costly in economics, and hence it is affordable for everyone.

Nonetheless, less power is consumed for this project, conserving the earth's natural resources, and the ecosystem can be prevented from destruction. Next, it can arrest the criminals with sufficient evidence by using Arduino Uno as a microcontroller and Neo6MV2 as GPS Module that permits communication in Malaysia with a 1500 MegaHertz frequency.



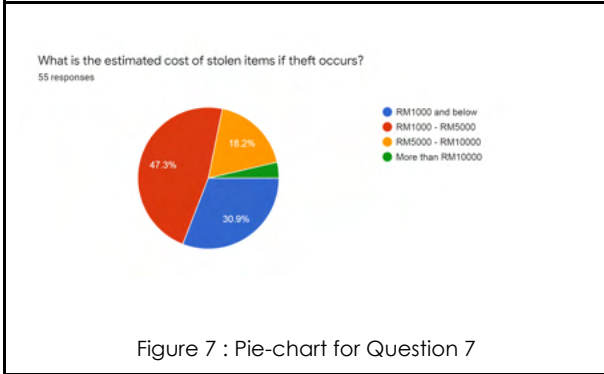


Figure 7 : Pie-chart for Question 7

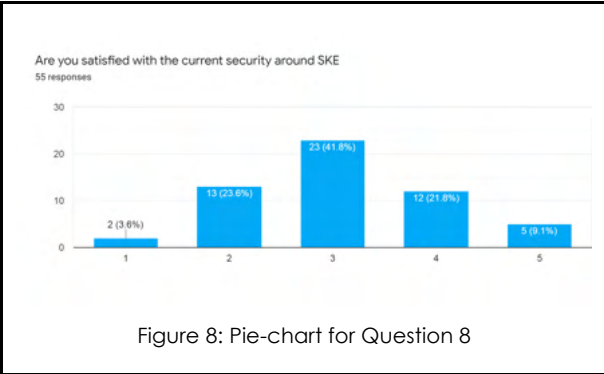


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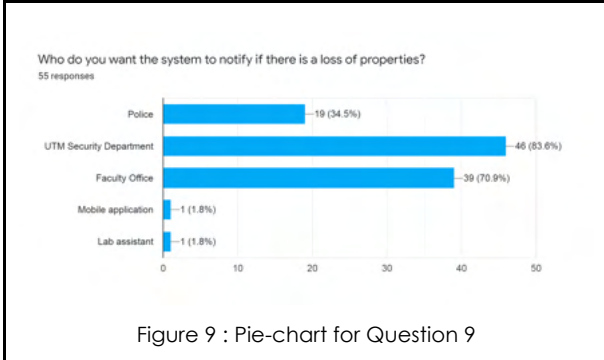


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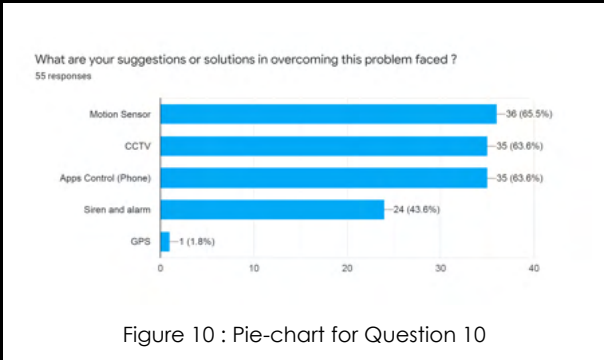


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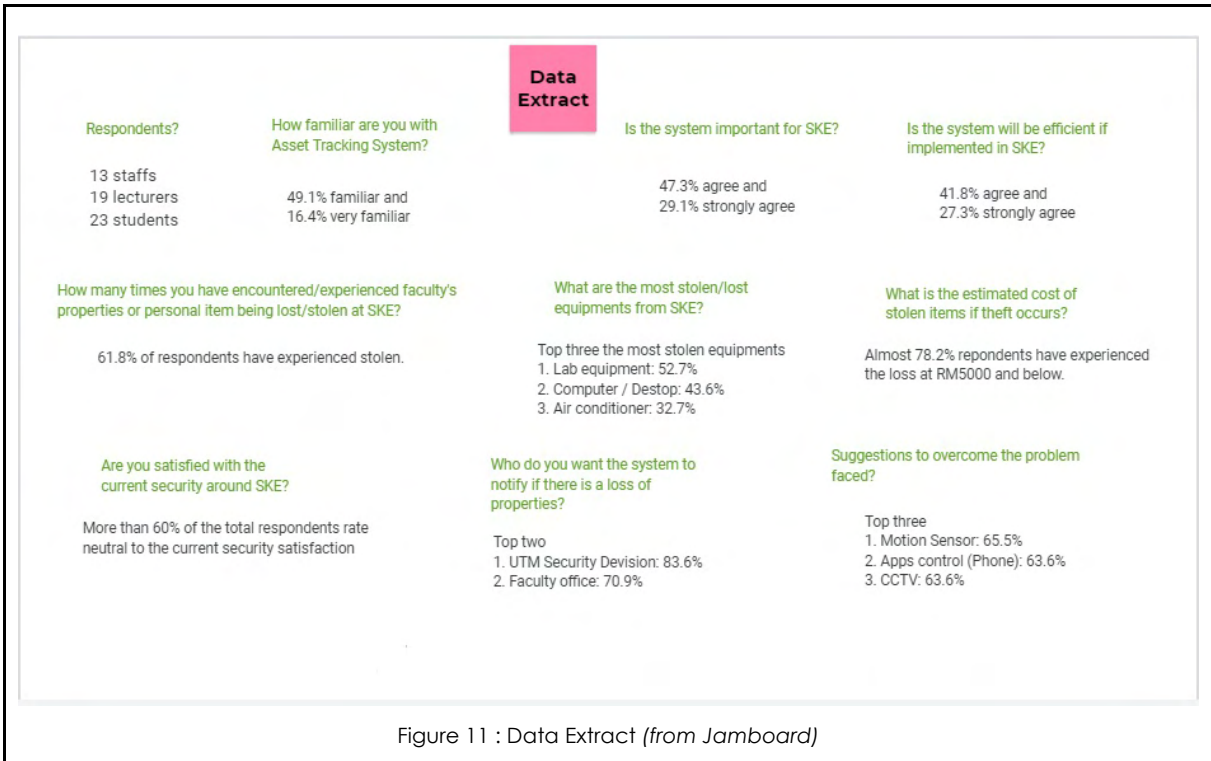


Figure 11 : Data Extract (from Jamboard)

Data clustering

1. We focus to staff and lecturer for designing this project.
2. More than 60% familiar with Asset Tracking System.
3. More than 70% think that this system is important to SKE.
4. Almost 70% agree that this system is efficient if implemented to SKE.
5. More than 61.8% of respondents have experienced stolen.
6. We focus to put the system in Computer / Desktop and Air-conditioner although Lab Equipment has the highest percentage.
7. Almost 80% respondents have experienced the loss at RM5000 and below.
8. More than 60% of the total respondents rate neutral to the current security satisfaction
9. We will choose UTM Security Division and Faculty office as the liaison person.
10. We will use Motion Sensor as the system will be implemented.

Figure 12 : Data Clustering (from Jamboard)

STEEP analysis of this project as below

Table 1 STEEP analysis

Social/Cultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It can help to reduce theft cases in the community, which leads to a peaceful society.
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increases the efficiency of admin's works• Ease of access to Information.• Industrial Revolution 4.0
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A low-cost product, so it is affordable for everyone.
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Less power consumption which conserve the earth's natural resources and protect ecosystems from destruction.
Politics/Legal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Using Arduino Uno as microcontroller and Neo6mv2 as GPS module, which is legal in Malaysia using 1500MHz for communication.• Able to catch criminals with evidence

DESIGN STATEMENT

Design a more reliable and robust security system that can notify when someone breaks into the school to satisfy his needs. It consists of a prototype that can secure school lab equipment from being stolen by a thief. Significantly, all the items such as air conditioners, projector, computer and printers are costly.

METHODOLOGY

Figure 13 shows the project's overall methodology starts from discussing the project's theme, a Smart Security System, up to the research and development process until the actual prototype. Choosing the right idea is very important, and our concept cannot be outside of our theme. Every person in the team has come out with one idea, and the best idea that we choose is the Anti-Theft System. After selecting the topic, ten questions were constructed for survey and interview purposes, and targeted responses were from the School of Electrical Engineering. Based on the reaction from ours, we analyze all the data and do some data clustering. With completed data clustering, we can proceed with our main problem statement for our project.

In the following, we propose the IoT-based system to make it more beneficial and fulfil our response's needs. Next, to make it clear, we do some conceptual prototype. The most important things in developing products are components. After researching the internet, we chose two main components: the GPS Module and Esp32. Next, we divide it into two parts. The first part is the hardware part, the prototype itself, and the second part is the software part or can be called the Smartphone's Application. After both parts are completed, we combine both systems into one. Lastly, the final touch up was added, and approval from our supervisor is obtained.

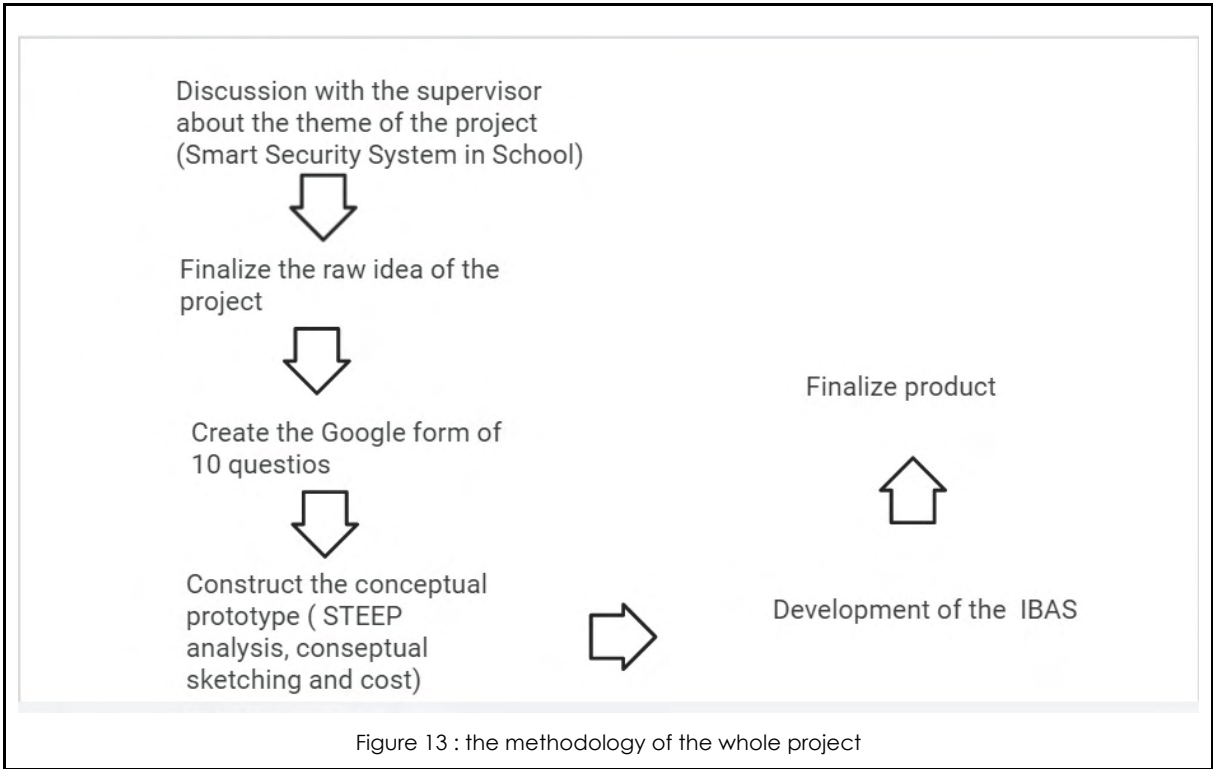
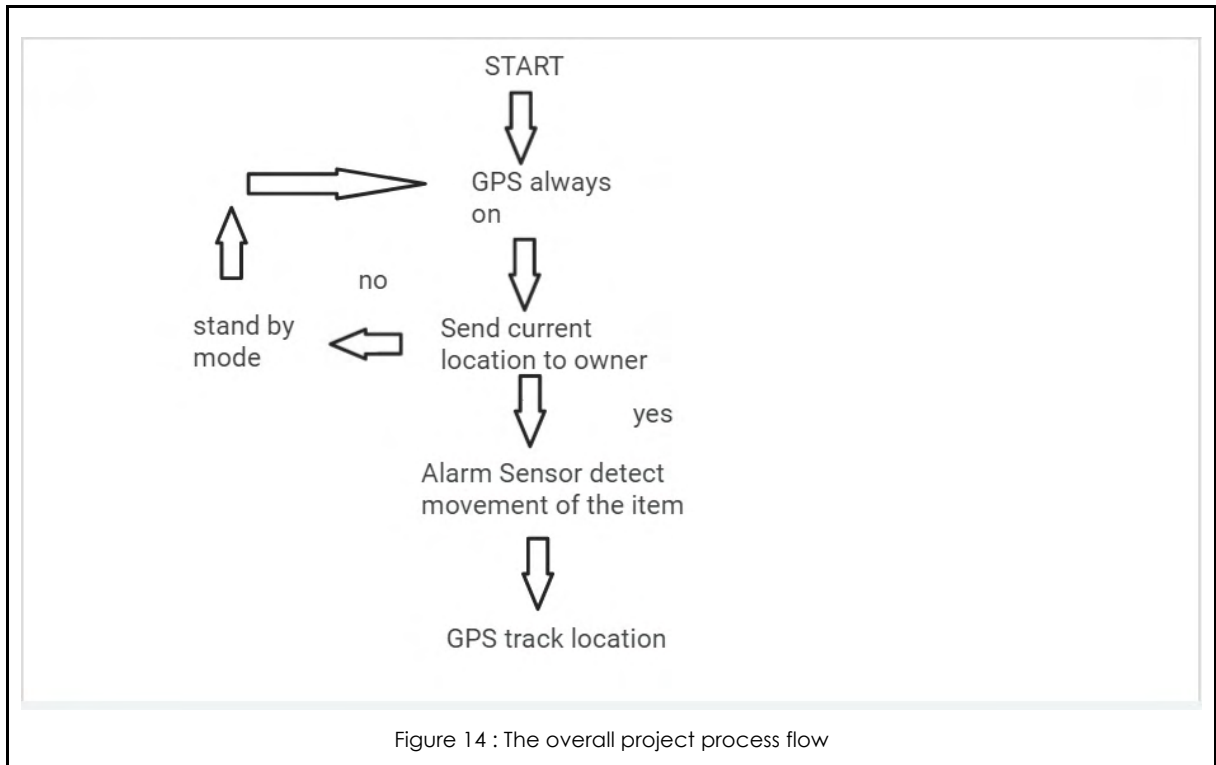


Figure 13 : the methodology of the whole project

Figure 14 shows the project flow of the IoT based Anti-Theft System (IBAS). The process was divided into main two parts, which are apps and hardware. The software and hardware were conducted simultaneously since these two parts are related to each other. The application's layout is Adding New Equipment, Equipment's Location Detection and Alarm Breaker Status for the app's function.

Each layout shows the data at the firebase database that is transmitted by the hardware part. Next, the hardware part is separated into two circuits: the GPS module and the Wire Break Alarm System. Both circuits are connected with NodeMCU and transmit the data to the firebase database based on their respective function. After that, the last touch up was conducted, and the final product was developed.



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

The product development consists of two major parts, which are hardware and software works. Figure 15 shows the overall working principle of the product. This product uses NodeMCU Espressif ESP32 as the microcontroller of the system, and the code for the microcontroller is written in Arduino IDE. Therefore, the working principle of the product is as shown in Figure 15, where data from the GPS module and alarm breaker will be sent to ESP32 then uploaded to the Firebase database via Wi-Fi and displayed in a software application.

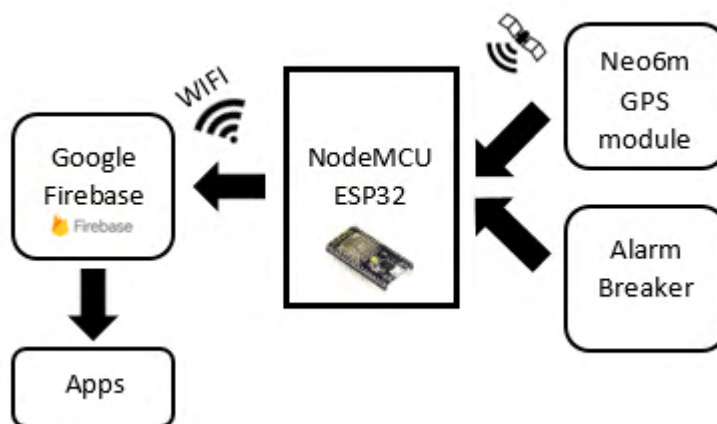


Figure 15 : The overall working principle of the product

HARDWARE DEVELOPMENT

The hardware development of this prototype is divided into two parts: hardware for the alarm breaker, while the second part is hardware for the GPS module.

NodeMCU ESP2

The coding of NodeMCU ESP32 is written in Arduino IDE. Before starting the project, the IDE software needs to install ESP32 features from the library manager. Then, the microcontroller board needs to be changed into NodeMCU-32S, as shown in Figure 16 below. Next, the ESP32 will be connected to the local Wi-Fi and begin the serial monitor to check the board's functionality. To upload the programming into the board, users need to hold the boot button on the ESP32 board until the code is successfully uploaded or using a 10uF electrolytic capacitor connected to the En pin and GND pin. To begin the serial monitor, users need to press the enable button.

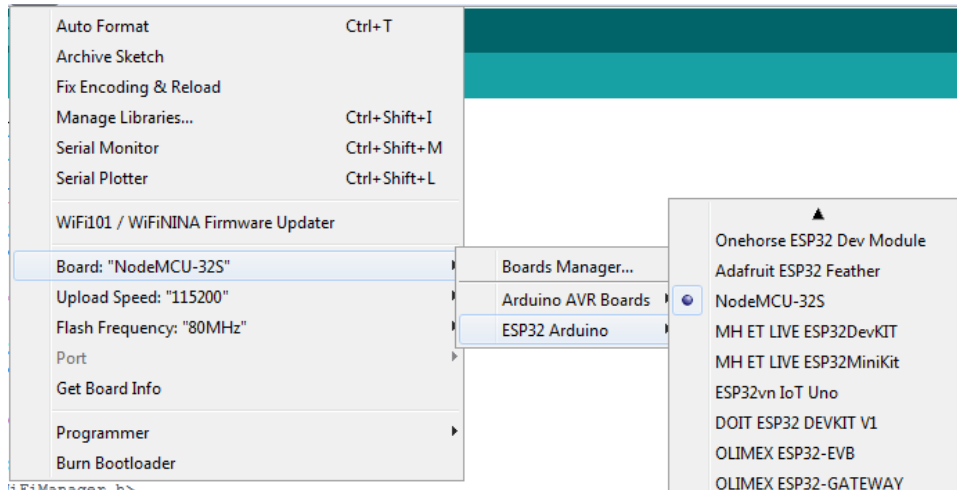


Figure 16: microcontroller board

Alarm breaker

The development of the alarm breaker is using N-Type MOSFET as the switch. When the wire from R1 to the ground is disconnected (white wire), the current will flow from the drain gate of the MOSFET to ESP2 pin GPIO27. Hence, ESP32 will detect a high signal and turn the LED in pin GPIO02 on. The system is designed to remain in the high state until the enable button on ESP32 is pressed again. The circuit connection of the alarm breaker is shown in Figure 17.

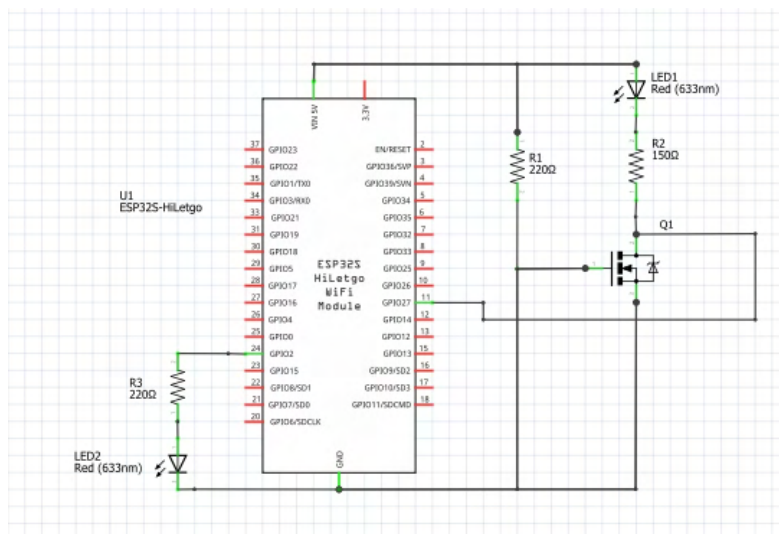


Figure 17: Schematic diagram of the alarm breaker

GPS module

Ublox neo6m was used as the GPS module in the prototype development due to the high accuracy, low power consumption, and reasonable price. Ublox neo6m module came with its antenna with a sensitivity of -161dBm. The module has four pins total, a Vcc, Ground, Tx (transmitter) and Rx (receiver). The Tx pin will connect to pin GPIO05 while Rx pin will connect to pin GPIO04 of ESP32. The connection of the GPS module and ESP32 is shown in Figure 18. The GPS module will remain turned on for the prototype since the module's power consumption is low. Since the GPS module tracks a real-time location, two data will be observed: the latitude and longitude of the location.

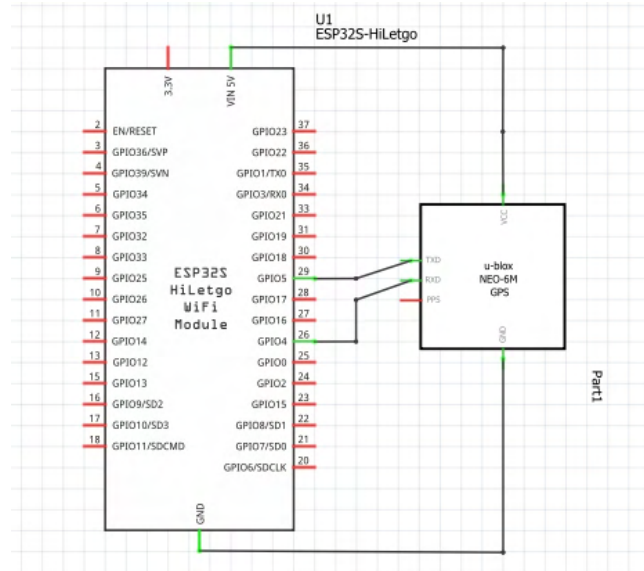


Figure 18: Schematic diagram of GPS module

COMPLETED PROTOTYPE

The complete prototype, the alarm breaker and GPS module were combined, as shown in Figure 19. The power supply is added by using a 10000mAh power bank. A calculation is then made to estimate the maximum number of days the prototype will remain turned on. Inactive mode, all of the features of ESP32 will be on so that the current consumption is about 160mA, while in standby mode, current consumption is 20mA. It is estimated that the power bank can hold for three days in active mode and 20 days in standby mode.

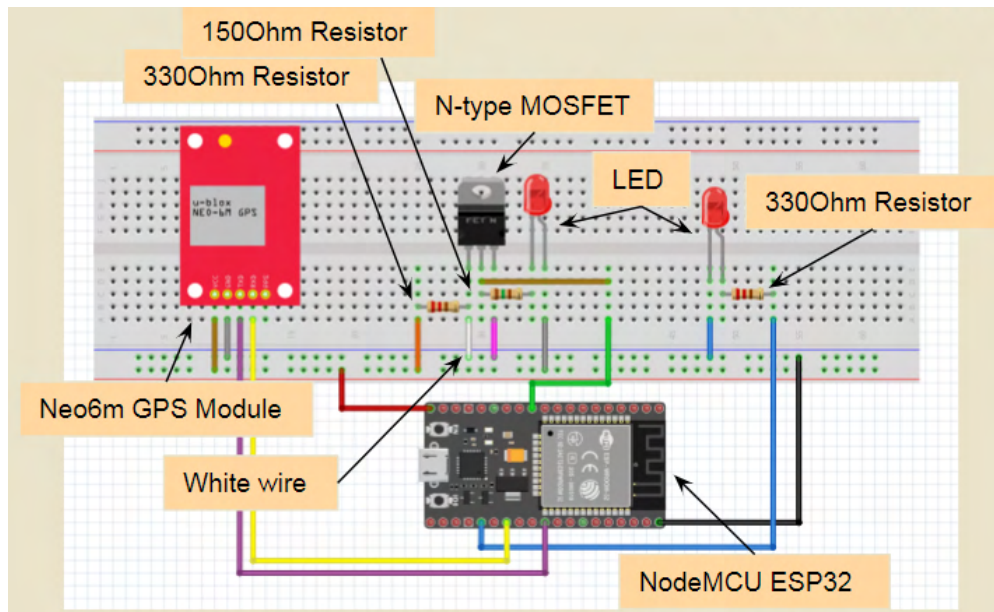


Figure 19 : The complete IBAS hardware prototype

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

Software development was divided into two parts: creating a database and the second part is the development of software application.

Firestore database creation

The database is used to manage and organize the data from the hardware to the software application. The data from the hardware, which are the location and the prototype condition will be sent to the database through the embedded Wi-Fi in ESP32 and fetched by the software application. To send the data to Firestore, the coding of ESP32 needs to have the database secret and authentication to access the database, a JSON command to transfer the data, and the location of the data will be uploaded.

```
#define FIREBASE_HOST "https://ibas-3448d-default-rtdb.firebaseio.com/"  
#define FIREBASE_AUTH "rEq5xBFDmaoDj3I1GOYu1Kwby2ZYAvmC6LntuiuZ"
```

Figure 20 : Firestore database secret and authentication

```
json.set("Air Conditioner/Latitude", lat_str);  
json.set("Air Conditioner/Longitude", lng_str);  
json.set("Air Conditioner/detect", ledState);  
Firestore.updateNode(firebaseData, "/LecturerEquipment", json);
```

Figure 21 : JSON command and location of the data being upload

Software application development

The software application was developed as the interface for the user to check the product's condition and location. For the prototype, the software application was developed using MIT App Inventor. The software application is designed to be able to fetch all of the data from the firestore database. Like ESP32, this application also needs to have the database secret and authentication to access the database. The software application is designed to have three main features: adding new equipment, equipment location detection and alarm breaker status. The layout of the application is in Figure 22.

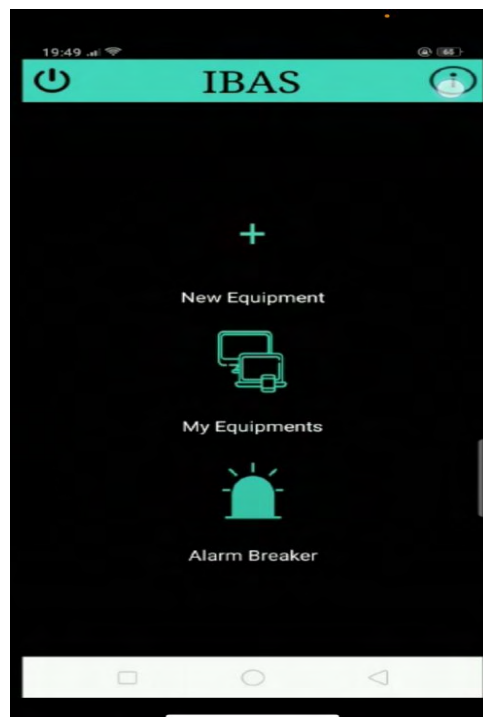


Figure 22: Software application layout design

DISCUSSION ON DEVELOPED PRODUCT

When the device is in standby mode

ESP32 is in standby mode where only GPS and built in Wi-Fi features will turn on. A LED in the GPS module will continuously blink, indicating that the module is currently tracking the product's location. The GPS module data will be collected and uploaded to the firebase database through the built-in Wi-Fi in ESP32. Two data are observed in the database: latitude and longitude, as shown in Figure 24. In standby mode where theft does not occur, the alarm breaker will not detect any high signal. So the detect section in the database will remain low.

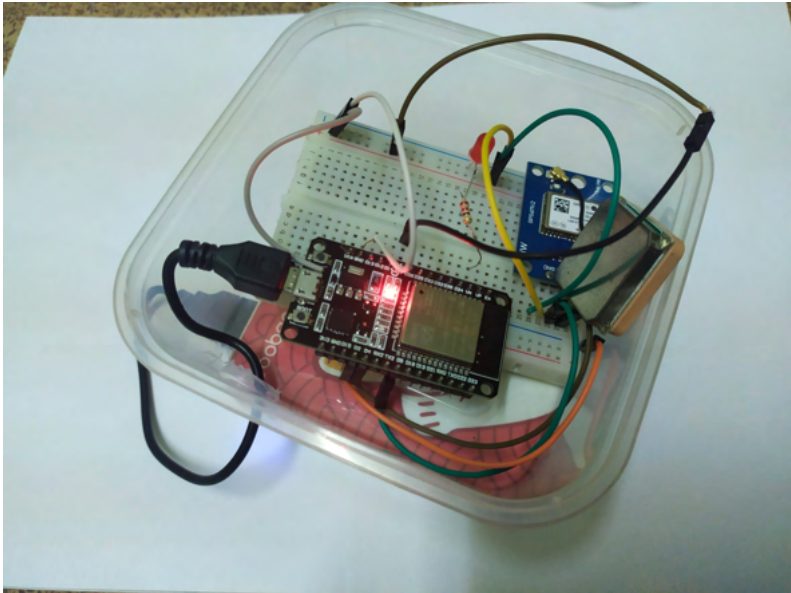


Figure 23 : The prototype in standby mode

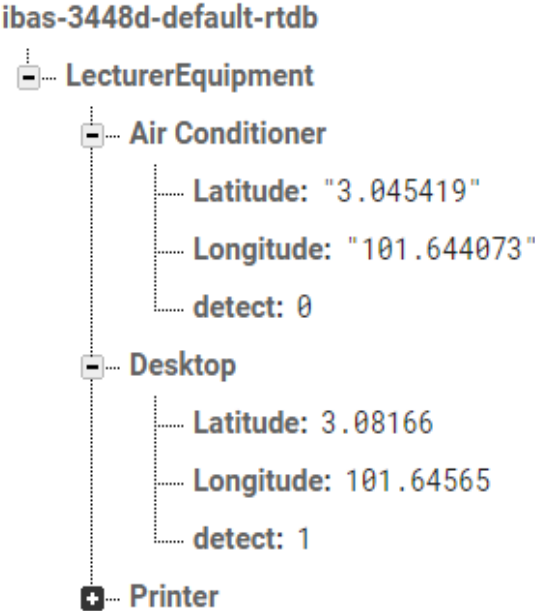


Figure 24 : The database result in standby mode

When the device is in the active mode

When a theft occurs, the equipment's power cable is cut alongside white wire from Figure 19; hence the alarm breaker is activated. The LED/buzzer will turn on, and the detect section in the database will trigger a high value. The product condition will remain in this state until the enable button in ESP32 is pressed or the system is reset. The GPS module will continuously send the current location of the product to the database.

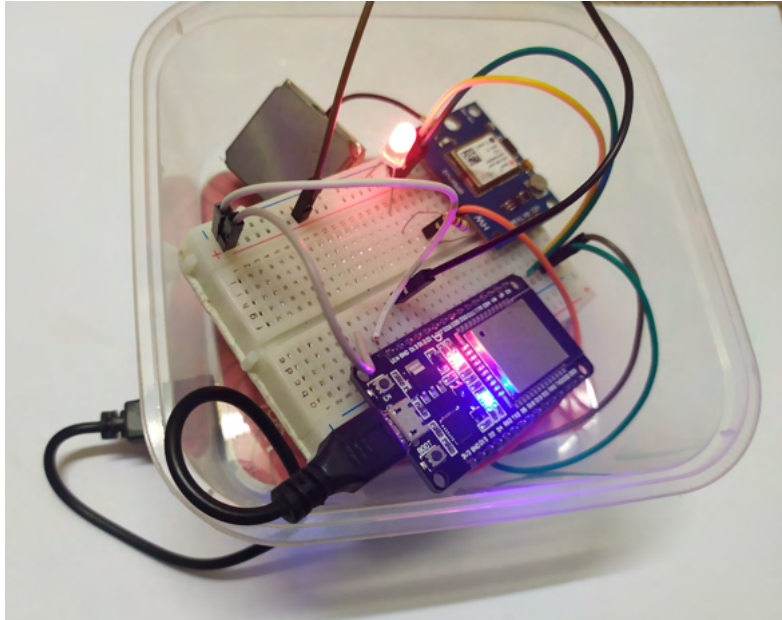


Figure 25 : The prototype in active mode

```
ibas-3448d-default-rtdb
├── LecturerEquipment
│   ├── Air Conditioner
│   │   ├── Latitude: "3.045419
│   │   ├── Longitude: "101.644073
│   │   └── detect: 1
│   ├── Desktop
│   │   ├── Latitude: 3.08166
│   │   ├── Longitude: 101.64561
│   │   └── detect: 1
│   └── Printer
```

Figure 26 : The database result in active mode

Software application result

In the software application, there are three main features the user can use, which is adding new equipment, location of the equipment and alarm breaker status. Users can add new equipment by following the instructions given in the software application. For example, in Figure 27, users can freely add new equipment by following the four steps shown in the application.

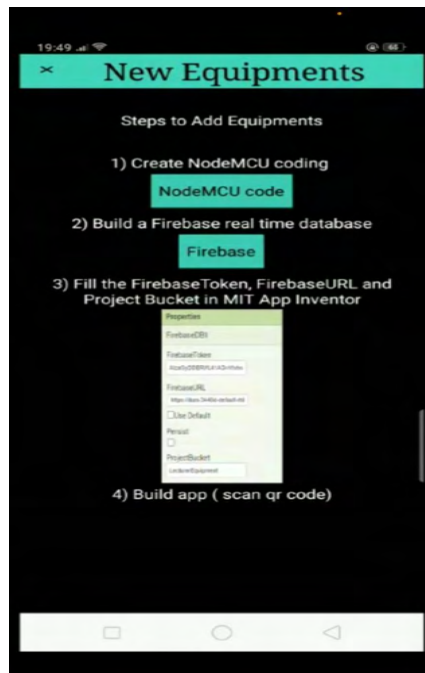


Figure 27: Adding new equipment features

Next, the user can check the equipment's location by choosing the stolen equipment and clicking the check location button. The coordinates of the equipment will be shown in the application, as shown in Figure 28. Users can also check the direction of the equipment by clicking the direction to the equipment's location button.

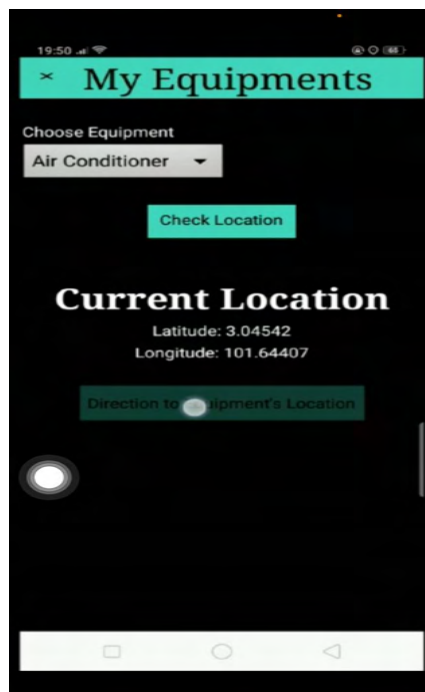


Figure 28: Track the current location of the equipment

Lastly, users can check the status of the equipment either in a safe condition or not. In normal conditions, the software application will send a green notification indicating that the equipment is safe. When the theft occurs, the user will receive a red warning notification through the software application. When users press a call button, it will automatically connect to the security department.

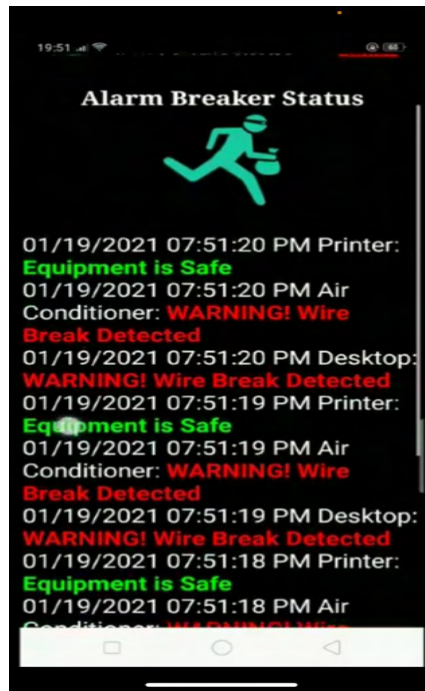


Figure 29: The alarm breaker status

Cost analysis

The cost of the product can be decreased by using several methods. Since the most expensive material in this project is the GPS Module and NodeMCU ESP2, an alternative way can be proposed to improvise the product. The first method uses a WiFi API key from Google to track the location from local WiFi instead of GPS Module since the NodeMCU ESP32 has a built-in WiFi. This method is cheaper, but the accuracy of the pin location is below 80%. The second method centralizes the system's brain by only placing a GPS transmitter in the equipment. Then, all of the GPS receivers will connect to one NodeMCU ESP32.

Table 2: The cost of the prototype

No	Component	Quantity	Price/piece (RM)	Total Price (RM)
1	Jumper wire 10cm	40	3.50	7.00
2	Breadboard small	1	5.50	8.50
3	buzzer 5V	1	2.00	2.00
4	NodeMCU ESP32	1	40.00	40.00
5	Resistor	6	0.10	0.60
6	LED	6	0.35	2.10
7	Ublox Neo6m GPS Module	1	65.00	65.00
8	N type MOSFET	1	4.00	4.00
Total				129.20

CONCLUSION

To conclude, a smart security system that the educators and administrators can use in the School of Electrical Engineering to ensure the safety of the school's properties has been successfully designed. From tracking the equipment located in latitude and longitude using the GPS module and monitoring the equipment alarm break status using the IBAS application, this smart security system helps increase safety within the campus compound. Overall, the campus communities will see a shift in security methods towards automation and digitalization. Further improvements that may be implemented are to automate calls or messages through IBAS mobile application, install cameras in the security system as a form of secondary CCTV, and PIR sensor to monitor human movement and alarm triggered when removed from the original place.

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Smart Security Door

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Abstract: This project consists of three pages, website, server and hardware part. The server enables quick and easy monitoring of the status of all doors. It receives input from both the hardware and the website and displays it on the server. On the other hand, the website allows booking to be made online, giving the user priority to access the room. Finally, the hardware forms the most crucial part of this project. It detects an RFID card and compares the ID to the ID stored in it. If it matches, it will unlock the door, and if it does not match, it will remain locked. The hardware part also includes an indicator that allows the user to know each door's status from afar.

Keywords: door; Arduino; RFID; MicroServo; security

INTRODUCTION

In this project, lecturers have difficulties using the tutorial rooms to make a class or enter the room during a non-working hour. For example, they need to go to the office to ask for a particular tutorial room key and difficulties returning the key. Some theft cases happen inside the tutorial room due to the unlocked door and lock picking. This project's contribution is to design and develop a keyless entry room, make an online booking, access online access, and increase the tutorial rooms' security level. This project aims to ease the office staff's affairs, ease and save the lecturers' time, and the security guard job to lock all the tutorial rooms after the office hours. The Rfid system needs to be implemented into all the lecturers' ID cards to access the tutorial rooms' door with ease. All the ID card data then be transmitted to the database to track who accesses the tutorial rooms. The system ensures that an unauthorized person cannot access the room.

In designing our project, we consider STEEP analysis, which consists of social, technology, economic, environmental and political. In the social research, we increase involving lecturers, office staff, and the security guard. We ensure that the system can improve the existing conventional door lock mechanism's performance to increase the user's efficiency in terms of time and work. The number of theft cases can be reduced by introducing the smart security door.

Next, in terms of technology, the project aims to improve the existing low-security system into a system where all the room's status (locked or unlocked) can be monitored online. Each time the door is opened or closed, the room's status can be monitored, and two LED lights at the door indicate the room's status. The database shows the room's status, the person accessed, and the person who books the room. An online booking system is also introduced to ease lecturers to reserve a class and organize their class schedules for the extra classes.

Moreover, the project is a hardware component as an add-on to the existing door in terms of economic. So there is no need to buy a whole new door where it can cost more, and our hardware is a plug and play (PNP) system. It offers a hassle-free installation process that reduces the overall total cost of service (TCS), so the integrators can have more room to better utilize their resources.

The project ensures that it is environment-friendly and consumes less power and no pollution emission in environmental analysis. The device is small electronic components consisting of Arduino kits and ESP32, so it cannot form any pollution. Finally, political analysis is where the system can track and trace the person who access the room. Only an authorized person can enter the room, while others are prohibited from entering the room without the authorized person. The system is also able to reduce crime and loss of belonging. The system can ease lecturers from theft if they forget or leave their belonging inside the tutorial room.

CONTENT

1. INNOVATIVE OBJECTIVES

1.1 To allow easy monitoring of all status of classroom. All status of classroom needs to be able to be monitored from afar. An indicator needs to be added to avoid the need to keep track of the status of each classroom manually.

1.2 To allow booking to be made online at all time. Classroom booking should be allowed and whoever made a booking earlier needs to be given priority to access the classroom.

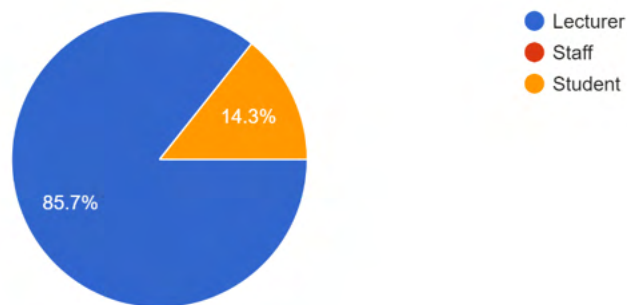
1.3 To allow easy access to the classroom at all time. All users should be allowed to access the classroom in a hassle free way. There will no longer be a need to locate the person in charge.

2. DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS OF THE INTERVIEW

The Pie Chart below depicts the results of the interview.

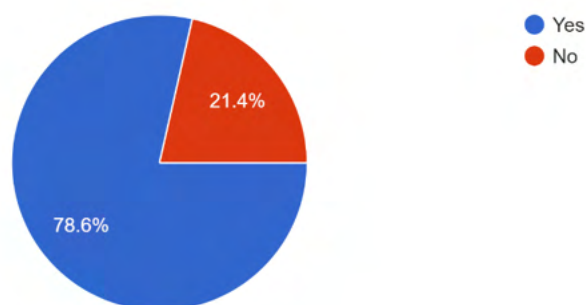
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14 responses

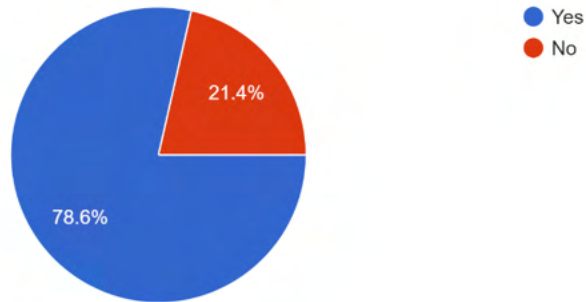


2. Have you ever take the classroom/tutorial room key from the P19a office?

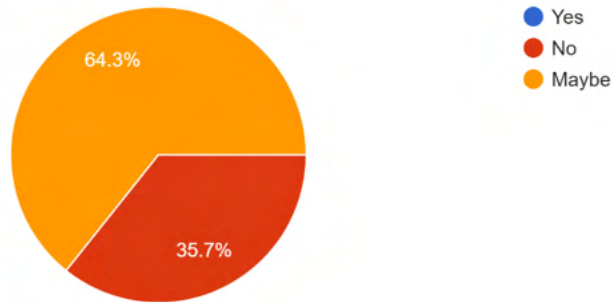
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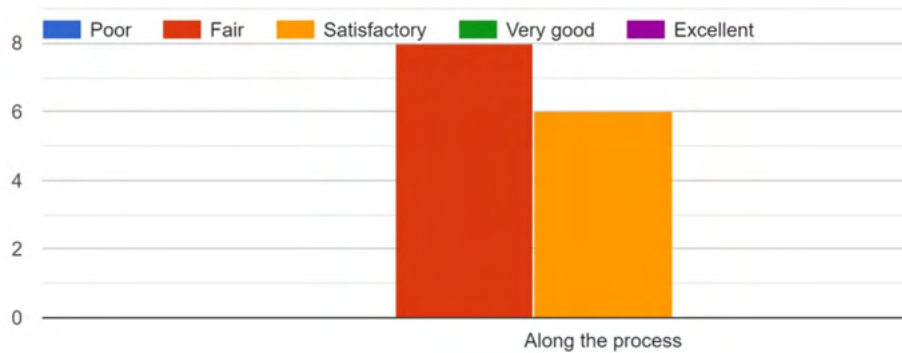
3. Have you ever lock the door for the classroom/tutorial room at SKE?
14 responses



4. Have you ever forget to lock the classroom/tutorial room after been used?
14 responses

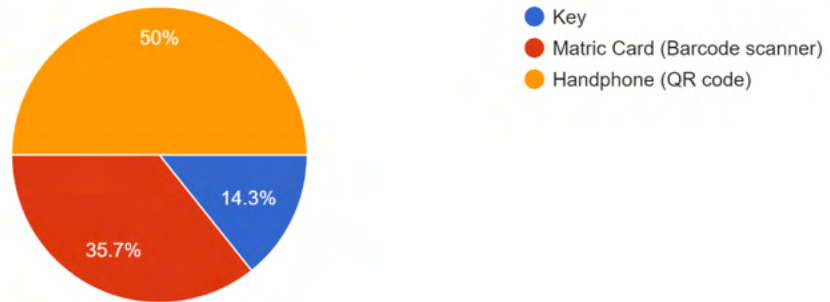


5. Level of difficulty to lock and unlock the classroom/tutorial room



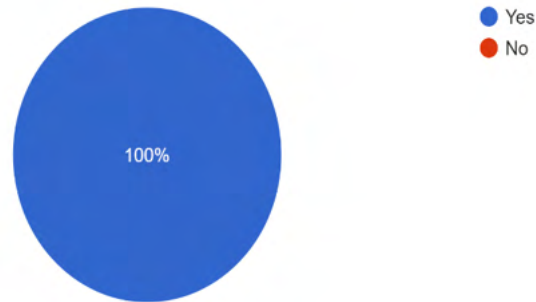
6. Which one do you prefer to use for locking and unlocking the classroom's door?

14 responses



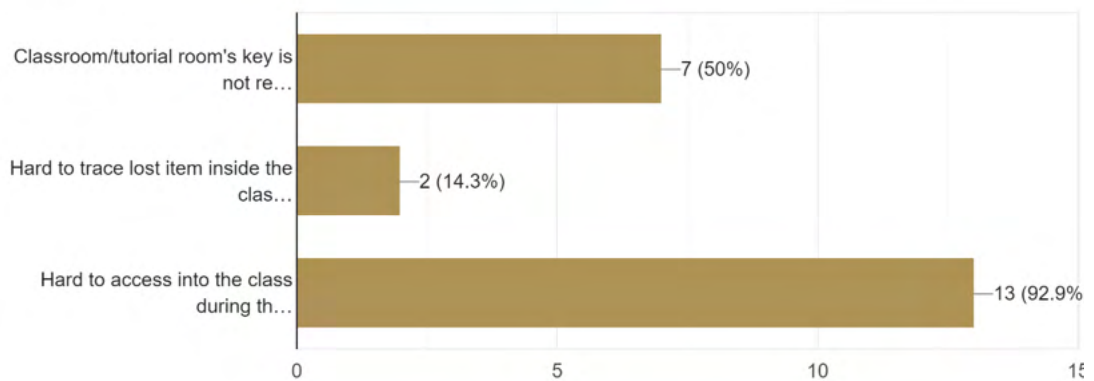
7. Would you like to have an indicator to show that the classroom/tutorial room has been locked?

14 responses



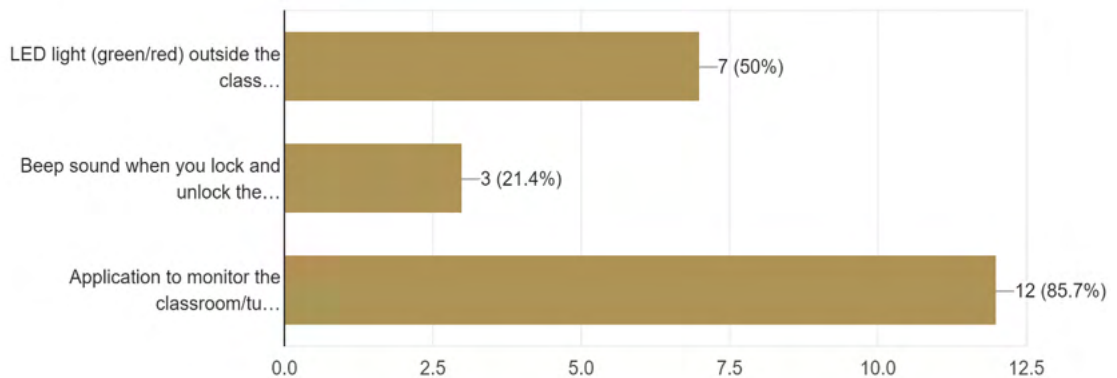
8. What do you think is the main security issue faced by the SKE?

14 responses



9. Which one of the interface that you like for the indicator? (you can choose more than one)

14 responses



10. Could you share with us regarding your bad experience when you are using the classroom/ tutorial room (for ex: lost belonging, lost key, can't find the key or maybe hard to find an available class for replacement). Feel free to share.

11 responses

I am sick of asking the office staffs either the room is occupied or not at the time I need to use the room. I am also feel sick to collect and return the key to the office staff.

The door is not open on time especially class start at 8am.

need to take the key from the office

Forgot to lock the door

Lost key

left my belonging and when I cam back, it's gone bro :(

Door only open during office hour

Sometimes the key is on other lecturer and is not at the office. So I need to find and contact the lecturer to ask the key.

Hard to get keys outside office hour

Sometimes the staff forgets to unlock the door in time, causing delay to the lecture. Also need to get key from office.

I lost my tumblr in the classroom

11. What are the features that you think is needed for smart security door?

10 responses

I hope there is a system where we can chevk the availability of the room, whose class, who the person incharged..just in case we have an emergency issue where door cannot be locked or unlocked, electronic system is failure. Also, I am hoping that I just can scan my phone on the door to enable me to lock into an unlock the door. Perhaps this could be done by giving me the security barcode, or perhaps pin, or whateve after my qpplicqtion to use the room was approved. I am also ecpexting that the code should be auto generated everytime the approval is given. This is important to ensure the security.

Passcord and key. Key is being place at the safest place and can detect who's pick up the key.

qr code given after approval.

No need to use key to open the door

Unlock using phone

Logger to log who and when opened the door. Efficient barcode scanner to reduce time when opening the door

Booking system, key less, digital key

Keyless entry to classroom

Provide access for authorized personnel without requirement of keys

the ability to automaticly lock itself when we dont lock it properly

12. What is the difficulties that you face when returning the key or collecting the key? Feel free to elaborate.

14 responses

sometimes we forgot, sometimes busy, sometimes we use it during the non office hour and then on the next day we go for outstation, sometimes yup..lost it or cannot recall where I put the key

Time. It is good if I can return the key right after I used the room or take the key right before I used the room. Can reduce possibility forgot to return the key and missing the key

takes time

I have to spend my time to collect and returning the key at main office.

Have to walk to p19a

Had to walk to P19a even when my college is facing the opposite way. Entrance of P19a office is crowded

Need to return/take during office hour.. Staff always going out eating and come back late

Need to do during office hour

Have to walk to office and time consuming

Often find it difficult to find the person in charge

need to return the key but the office is closed so we are forced to keep the key until the office is open on sunday

i never returning the keys

3. Data Analysis

We interviewed some of the lecturers to have a better understanding of the users' needs before kickstarting the project. There are altogether 14 respondents that we have interviewed. 85.7% of our respondents are lecturers, and 78.6% of our respondents have experience taking tutorial room keys from the P19 office. However, most of them, which amounts to 78.6%, have never locked the door.

Besides, 64.3% of our respondents have at least once forgotten to lock the classroom door after a lecture. Although most of them think that the current method of accessing the classroom is satisfactorily easy, most of them would like to see improvement in booking the classroom for a lecture at night. This is because it is usually challenging to locate the person in charge to obtain the tutorial room's key. It is even more challenging when you need immediate access to the classroom.

As described by our respondents, many factors contribute to the inconvenience they face daily. As there is currently no systematic method to keep track of who took the keys, sometimes the key is lost, and the faculty will be forced to replace the lock. This again adds to the cost of keeping the faculty safe. It is even more frustrating when you have managed the person in charge after a long search to find out that somebody else has already borrowed the key.

Finally, one of the things that all respondents could agree on was that it would be helpful to have an indicator to indicate the status of each classroom so that there is no need to travel to the classroom to find out that it is already occupied. This will also help our security guard as they now could tell the status of each room at one glance, and there is no longer a need to walk up a building that is 5-storeys high to make sure that the classroom is locked.

4. DESIGN STATEMENT

When you want to use a class outside the office hour, it's quite hard to do that in UTM, especially to get the key and access the office when closed, since UTM still uses a conventional key. So, we try to develop a solution that makes the lecture/student easier when using a class for a replacement class or outside the office hour. By using the Smart door system, the lecturers can easily book the room using a web platform till one hour before they want to use the class, just by choosing what class they want to use, what time, and just press book, then the class can be used in the time that they register.

5. METHODOLOGY

5.1. PROJECT FLOW

In this project, we try our best to overcome the problems that have been arisen. Several issues can be found in the SKE community. This project is focusing on solving security problems.

At the beginning of the project, we make a google to be answered by the SKE community. This google form aims to determine the problem that the SKE community faced. First, the early phase began to discuss and do research on problem-solving. After finding out how to solve the problem, designing our project is the second phase. Then, the hardware and software development and the output be analyzed so that our project can satisfy the problem statement.

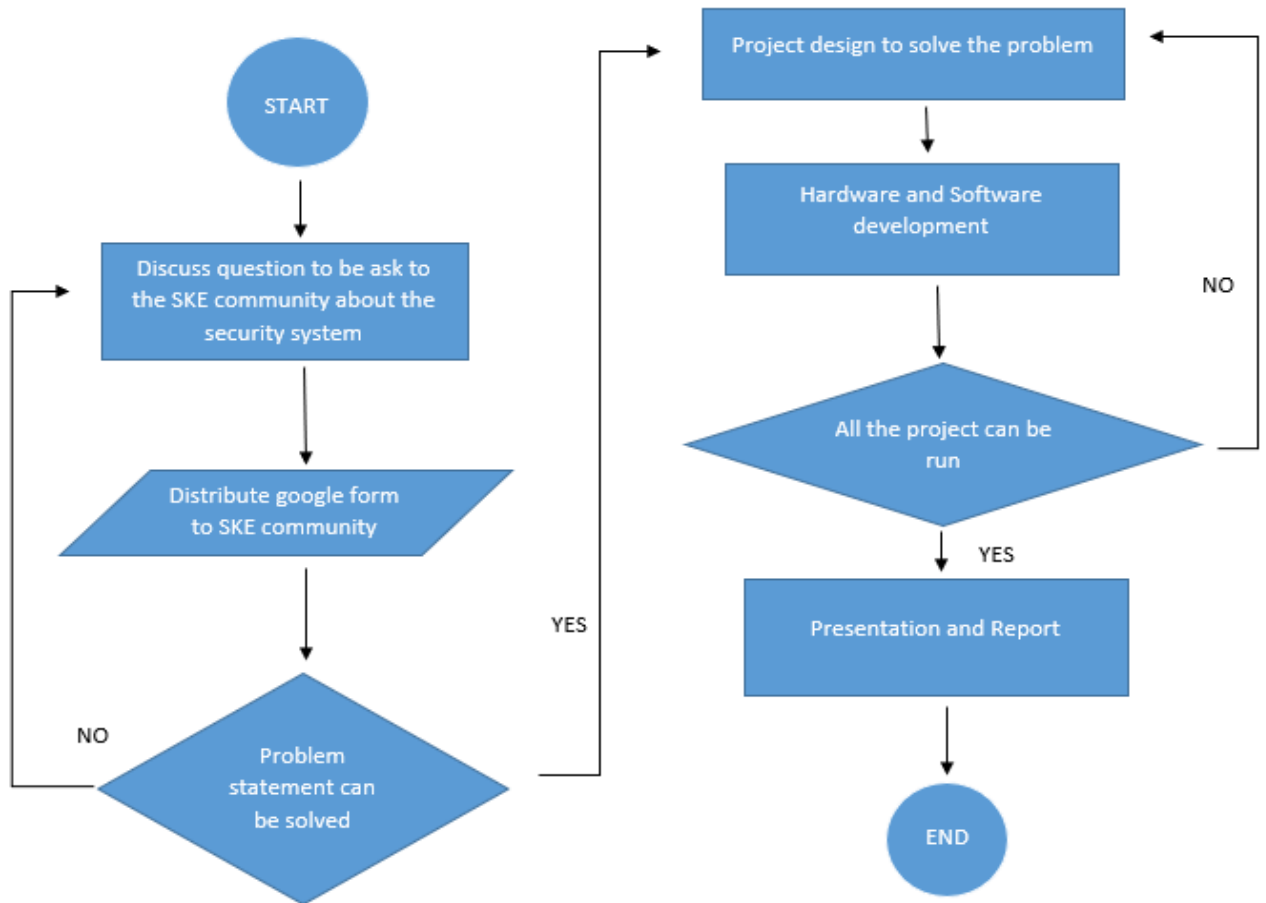


Figure 1: Overall workflow of the project

When all the software and hardware can be run smoothly, the project is then present to several panels. Lastly, results are compiled, and the report is written.

5.2. PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

There are two units in this project: the hardware and software units. To ease the maintenance process if there are problems that occur either in the future or during the development of this project

5.2.1. HARDWARE UNIT

The hardware unit consists of several components that act as input and output. To satisfy the problem statement, this project using all the parts as below:

Table 1: Hardware component and function

COMPONENT	FUNCTION
RFID reader	To detect RFID card
Servomotor	To lock or unlock the door
Arduino UNO	To control the sensor unit, actuator unit, and database
ESP32	To send data to the database
LED	To act as an indicator

5.2.2. SOFTWARE UNIT

The software unit consists of Labview and Skeeda, which act as the database, interface, and booking site. The function of the software that is used is:

Table 2: Software and its function

SOFTWARE	FUNCTION
LABVIEW	To collect data and allow data to be display
SKEEDA	For booking site

5.3. SYSTEM DESIGN

To have a better system, several designs have been produced. The final design that has been chosen is that it satisfied this quality: easy to do maintenance, small hardware component, and cheaper system. To have hardware unit and software unit controls, Arduino UNO is used to act as the control unit to receive or interpret data.

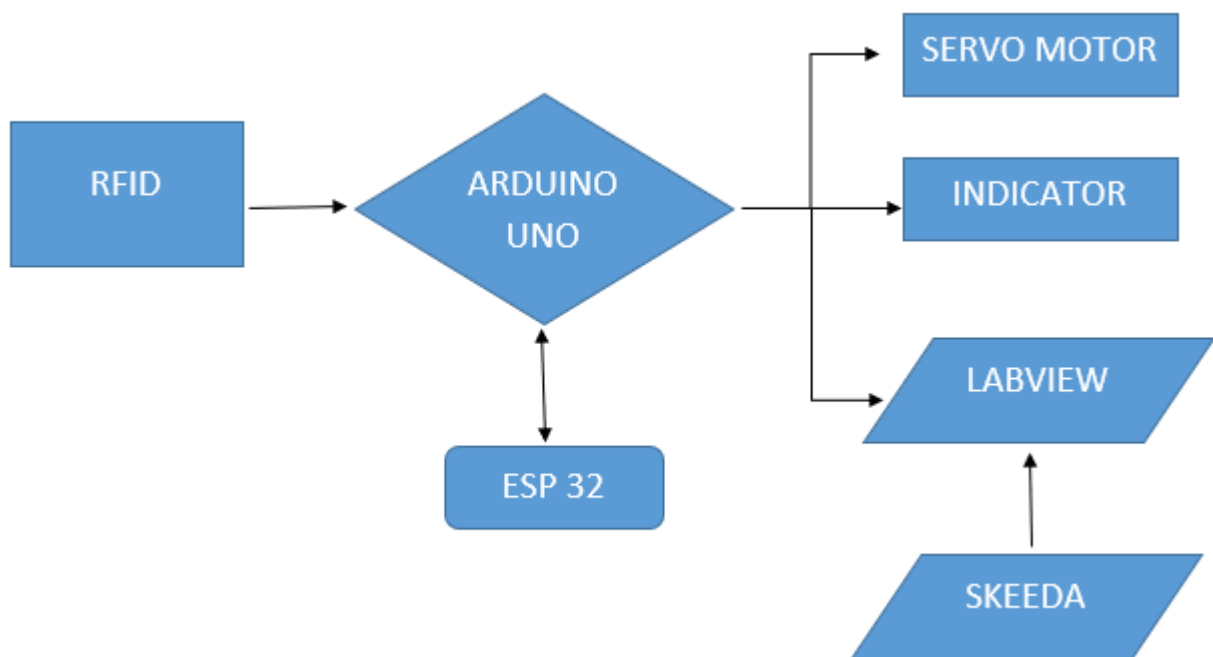


Figure 2: Project block diagram

6. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This project includes both hardware and software. Part of the software was implemented using LabVIEW, and part of it was enforced using an open-source application named SKEEDA. SKEEDA allows the user to make a booking for a classroom online and display the person who made the booking at that particular moment on LabVIEW's front panel. On the other hand, Arduino acts as the processor for the hardware, which allows us to detect an RFID card.

6.1. HARDWARE

6.1.1. Arduino Uno.

As mentioned earlier, the Arduino Uno serves as the hardware's main microcontroller. It compares the data coming in from the RFID shield. Suppose the code detected from the RFID matches the code that was stored in the Arduino. The Arduino makes one of its pins go high so that the servo motor turn and unlock the door.

6.1.2. MicroServo

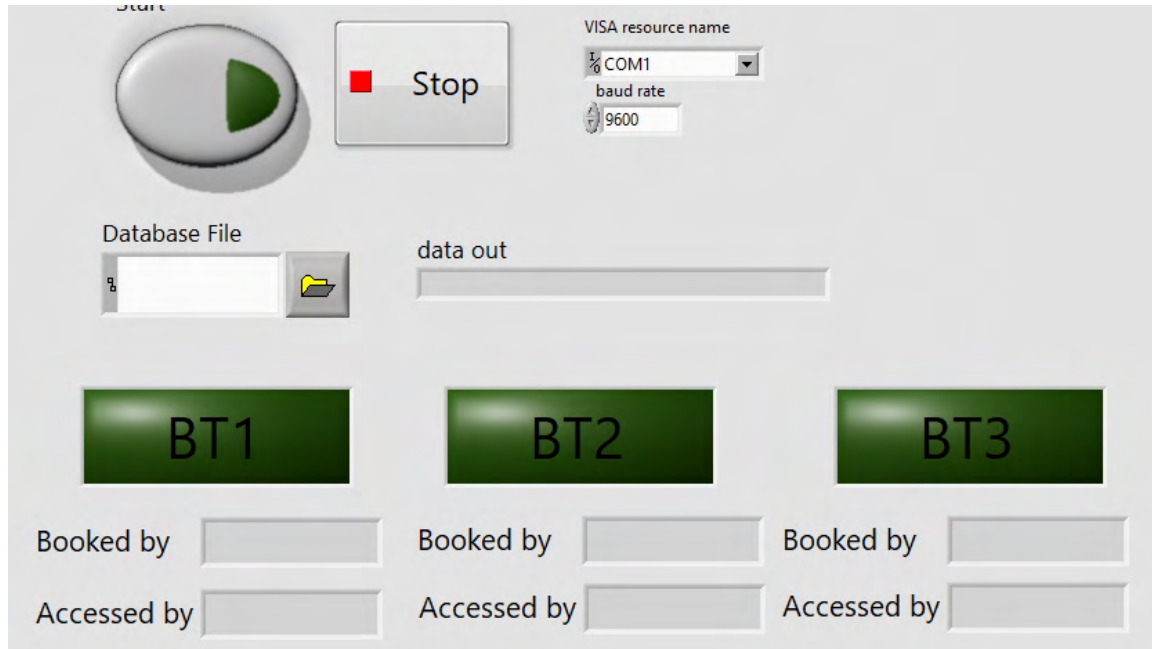
Micro servo is a motor that locks and unlocks the door based on the Arduino's instruction.

6.1.3. RC55 RFID

RC55 RFID scans the RFID card and returns the unique code from each RFID to the Arduino so that the Arduino can compare this code to the one stored in Arduino.

6.2. SOFTWARE

6.2.1. LabVIEW



The figure above shows the front panel of LabVIEW. As mentioned earlier, LabVIEW serves to receive and display the data that is received. We need to use a computer to run the LabVIEW code for this purpose. LabVIEW allows the user to convert the coding into an executable application. A computer that does not have LabVIEW installed can run a LabVIEW coding only by installing the LabVIEW runtime engine.

Referring to the figure above, if the LED at BT1 lights up, it indicates that the room at BT1 is open. The lecturer's matric number that accesses the room is displayed in the box next to "Accessed by." If the lecturer made a booking before accessing the classroom, his name would also show up in the box next to "Booked by." The box below "data out" displays the data packet received from the Arduino. As we read the data from Arduino's serial monitor, there is a drop-down list where you could select the port that the Arduino's serial monitor was connected to.

As we also need to display the name of the person who made the booking, we need to include the database file's path to LabVIEW. Clicking on the folder icon below the database file and then choosing the Microsoft Data Link file points to the database file. The database file here refers to a Microsoft Access File. This file is synchronized with a Microsoft Excel file table, which is linked to a Google Sheet. The step is done so that the database file is related to the booking website's data.

6.2.2. SKEEDA.

SKEEDA is an open-sourced software. Using various options for the website part has been available for web development over the years. It started with plain HTML, then HTML with CSS embedded or a CSS file reference. When dynamic websites came along, there were two main choices: ASP (later ASP.NET) and PHP. Before you get started, be sure you have a plain text editor or PHP-ready development environment installed. But for this project, we have 2 options: to build them using an original PHP or to use the open-source software that has been already made, and we need to configure and design it as we want. But this project uses open-source software and code to make the website. We have to configure the website as we need and create it as simple as possible to help the user, the benefit of using open-source software, is that we don't have to build the web from the square one. Still, the bad thing is that it limits the features, so we use the open-source software and edit it and upgrade it to embed it and connect it to another application as excel file, google docs, and others.

7. CONCLUSION

This capstone project, which was carried out according to the Conceive-Design-Implement-Operate (CDIO) framework, was completed on time as planned earlier in the Gantt Chart. The project started with a survey that

uncovers the lecturer's problem in the School of Electrical Engineering (SKE), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM). Smart Security Door was implemented successfully, and it functioned according to the design. Each classroom's status can be monitored on the server, and booking can also be made online.

Besides, STEEP Analysis was carried out, and it showed that Smart Security Door would have a substantial impact on society, technology, and the environment.

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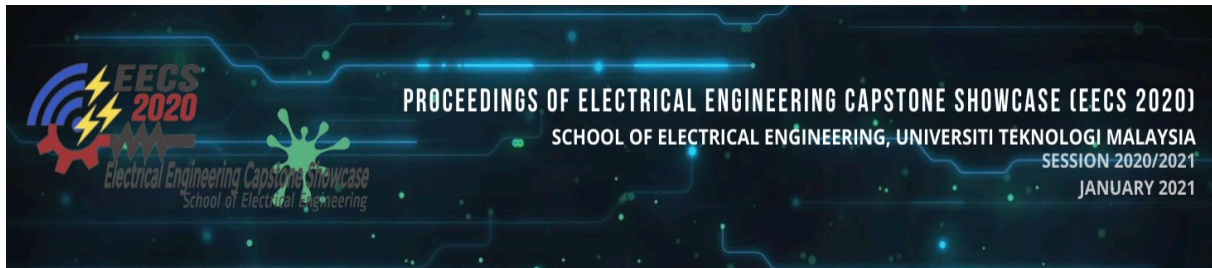
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Theft Detector Security System

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Abstract: Everyone deserves to feel safe and secure in their life. Despite the hectic schedules, people feel anxious to protect their assets whenever they go out. The smart security system is essential for humans to feel safe and convenient with the surrounding. However, users need to spend more money to find the most reliable and trusted method. The initial stage of the project provides all team members to make research based on a smart security system. The project team members have compiled the software and hardware design and strategy with the facilitator's guidance. The significant part of this project introduces a variety of sensors that can trigger users automatically through email. This system was created to be small, easy to install, plus convenient to the user. Theft detector security system shows high availability and reliability system that can protect user's asset from theft.

Keywords: Smart Security System; Microcontroller; Sensor

Introduction (Project or Innovation)

The exponential development of technology in this modern age has contributed to sophisticated instruments that facilitate everyday life. As a result of technical advancements, there are so many interfaces today that can help individuals construct a convenient place. Nowadays, many people prefer to use simple interfaces such as Bluetooth or other range limitation relations, which is not feasible for long-distance communication. It is a smart security interaction and is not IOT based system that is the only connection between the controller and the user interface. An intelligent safety system based on IoT is, therefore, best suited to maximizing its productivity since it is already widespread.

Moreover, roughly some of the intelligent monitoring devices introduced by some expensive controllers are unfeasible, and some of the control features are redundant. Therefore, it is an important criterion to pick a suitable controller to create a smart defense. In this project, Arduino Uno has been selected as the vital microcontroller that is further than necessary and not expensive to build an intelligent security device.

The smart protection features are not extensive and not general, so they can only be achieved with limited and precise output. Intelligent protection should be comprehensive and include several other roles that address consumer demand. Smart encryption must also be encrypted with a solid password to prevent intrusion by hackers.

Currently, several forms of protection systems are present on the market. Therefore, the device is generally restricted to a protection mechanism that activates a warning when an intruder is present. The project 'Theft Detector Protection System' proposes a secure and compact system to guarantee the space's safety and personal use. The system also allows a safer atmosphere for individuals in an office who can mount a security system in their workplaces or their space. The system facilitates identifying three types of security pins for safety purposes, sensing movement in a room, and triggering assets' placement by capturing based on real-time motion. Therefore, several areas of study are strictly involved in the development process for the project. This consists of the specification of suitable sensors to be used, the programming, and the interface between the microcontroller's device inputs and outputs.

Content (Project or Innovation)

1. Objectives

The project aims to develop a multi-tasking security system with the following criteria:

- I. To identify a smart protection device that can provide consumers with safe, comfortable, and convenient living.
- II. To study intelligent safety systems that can incorporate defense, control, and automation capabilities.
- III. To develop a user-friendly smart security system that can be easily understood and operated by non-technical users easily without the requirement for any advanced technical knowledge.

2. Conceive

The given topic for the department of communication is based on 'Smart Security System.' All the team members need to develop a new idea that involves security systems, especially in the university. A study was carried out to identify how much the user trusts the reliability of the faculty's security system, how often they usually forget about their belongings, and the user's opinion if this system was implemented. All problems and needs of these target people have been listed out.

Figure 1 shows the respondent rate security system that was implemented in an office or school. Most of the respondents rate the security system in their office or school in moderation, and it shows that they are not satisfied with the current security system.

How will you rate security system that been implemented in your office or school?
17 responses

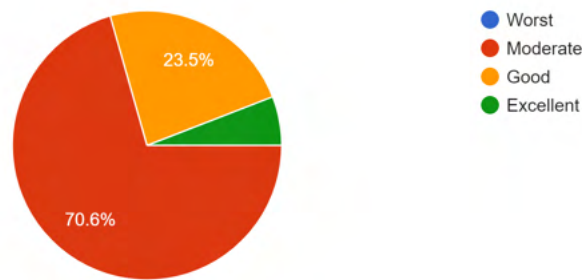


Figure 1: Gantt chart based on a survey question

Figure 2 the most targeted assets are the laptop and handphone. Since the electronic device is more expensive and needed especially for students. Hence, it is really hard for students to protect their personal belongings with the current security system.

What do you think the most targeted assets ?
17 responses

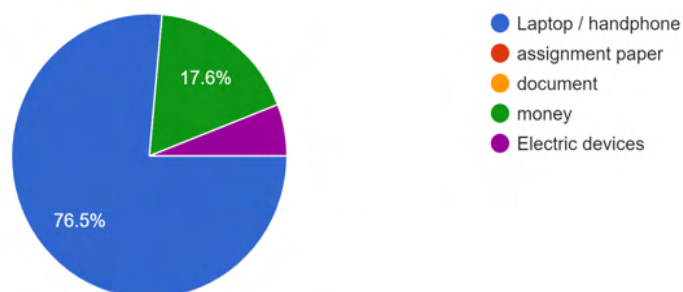


Figure 2: Gantt chart based on a survey question

Figure 3 shows that the majority of the respondents are very interested in the tracking system if it is implemented in their places. It can help many users to protect their assets as it's hard to find back the assets if they went missing.

Will you agree that a smart security system is being implemented to your office or classroom?

17 responses

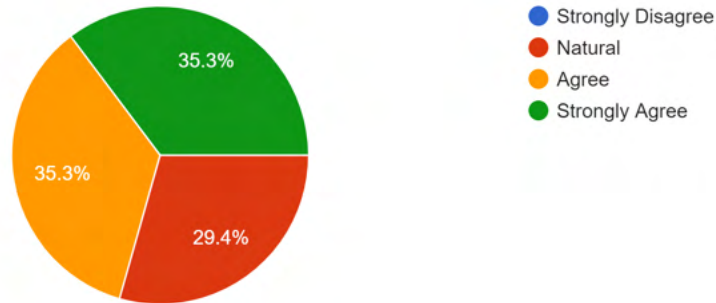


Figure 3: Gantt chart based on a survey question

Based on the problem given, the targeted people focus on methods to protect their belongings whenever in office or even in universities. A google form was distributed to the public with the targeted user regarding the security system questionnaire. All the information obtained from the interviewees, such as the vital face problems, possible solutions, and time of working of the interviewees, was extracted and collated accordingly. The project's conceptual prototype has been defined and explained through a helpful STEEP review and debate among team members and the committees. STEEP analysis has been listed in Table 1 :

Table 1: STEEP analysis

S-Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prevent and protect against invasion of privacy, theft, unlawful entry, and other such occurrences caused by deliberate action
T-Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporate Arduino into a security system
E-Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lower price with ultimate features Increase the security system reliability
E-Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To achieve a sustainable development goal 2030
P-Politic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government can implement the system comparable to current technological developments Act 7: Registration of Criminals and Undesirable Persons Act 1969, chapter XVII

Personification was intended to give the user a clearer picture. The measure includes the user's profile, pain points, and circumstances. All the user's daily life and issues have been taken into account to create the personal character. Below Table 2 shows the profile, pain points, and needs of the persona:

Table 2 : Profile, Pin Points, and needs

Profile	Pain Points	Needs
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jake 2. Age: 21 3. Very ambitious student 4. Spending a lot of time at faculty 5. Always carry many things to class 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do not have a reliable place to leave belongings. 2. Feel unsafe if leaving some belongings unconsciously. 3. Feel unsafe towards the security system of faculty. 4. Need ways to track missing belongings. 5. Feel in need of preventive measurements on security aspects. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We need to have a safe and reliable place to leave things. 2. A smart security system to track and prevent any theft cases.

3. Design statement

Currently, there are so many situations, particularly during the week of research, where nobody can protect your belongings while everybody is distracted. A mechanism of protection has been created to tackle this issue. Closed-circuit television is the standard security device usually in use in Malaysia, but burglary is still occurring. Many monitoring systems were unable to inform the consumer specifically when the burglary happened. This crime rate will probably be minimized by designing security mechanisms through microcontroller interfaces throughout the project. The use of this method, which only uses a real-time tracking system, will limit power consumption.

4. Methodology

This part discloses the system required to grow new items utilizing plan assessment in settling on a choice. The strategy is to develop smart security systems and set the right equipment and research to help the project achieve. The method is used to achieve the objective of the project that will accomplish a perfect design. The project flow chart for the theft detector security system is shown in figure 4.

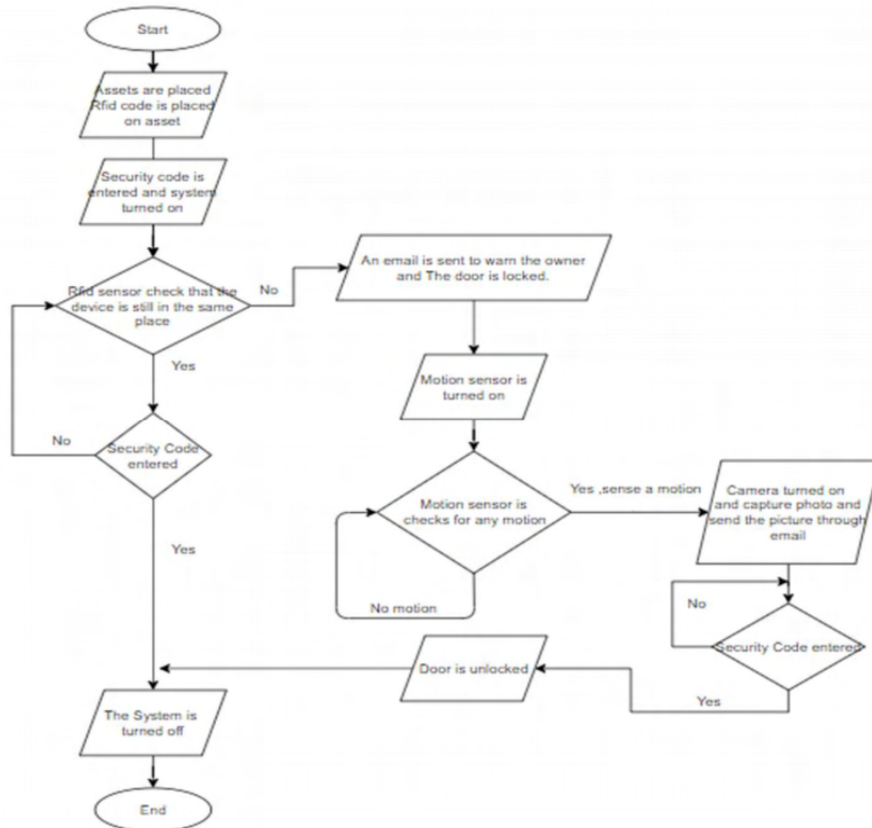


Figure 4 : Process flow chart

Tools and research material

The needs of tools and materials in this project include hardware and software. The hardware used is:

- 1.Arduino (beginner kit)
- 2.Arduino Uno
- 3.servomotor
- 4.PIR sensor
- 5.Adapter switching 9V 2A Volt DC Arduino
- 6.camera
- 7.ESP8266 Serial WIFI Transceiver Module
8. MFRC522 RFID reader

Hardware characteristic

MFRC522 RIFD Reader

This hardware is one of the most inexpensive RFID that can get online. It usually comes with an RFID card tag. Best of all, it can write a tag, so can store your sort of message in it. This is designed to create a 13.66MHz electromagnetic field that it uses to communicate with RFID tags. The operating voltage of this module is from 2.5V to 3.3V but the logic pins are 5 Volt tolerant, so can easily connect it to an Arduino. For read range, this hardware can read range in approximately 3cm with supplied card and fob.



Figure 5: RFID reader

ESP8266 Serial WIFI Transceiver Module

This hardware is a self-contained SOC with an integrated IP protocol stack that can give any microcontroller access to a WIFI network. One useful feature of Uno WIFI is supported OTA (over-the-air) programming, either transfer of Arduino sketches or WIFI firmware. This module can be programmed to turn an LED or a relay ON/OFF through the internet. This feature is to send notifications through email when the RFID reader is triggered. This module can send the picture from the safety camera to the owner by using email. This feature can be used by using a dataphone or using the WIFI connection in the room.

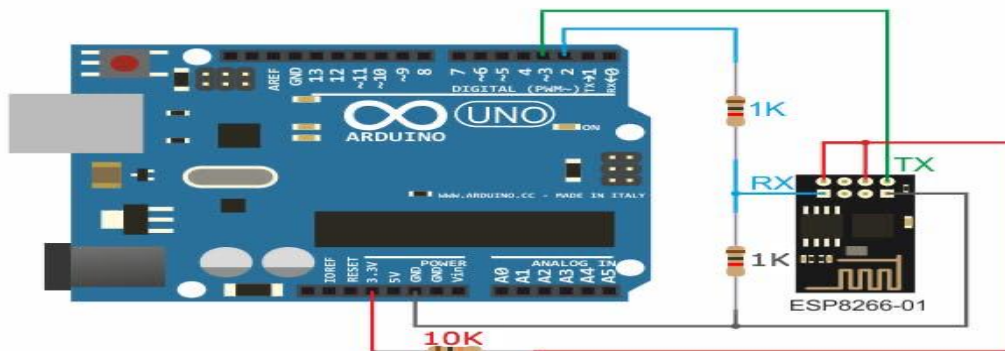


Figure 6 : WIFI Transceiver module

PIR sensor

PIR sensors allow one to sense motion either in a dark place or in bright places. This hardware used to detect either human has moved in or out of the sensor range. They are small, inexpensive, low power, easy to use, and don't wear out. Our design is about the movement PIR sensor that will trigger the camera to capture the theft. The camera will follow the lead of the movement based on the PIR sensor. The working of the PIR sensor is in the following:



Figure 7 : PIR sensor

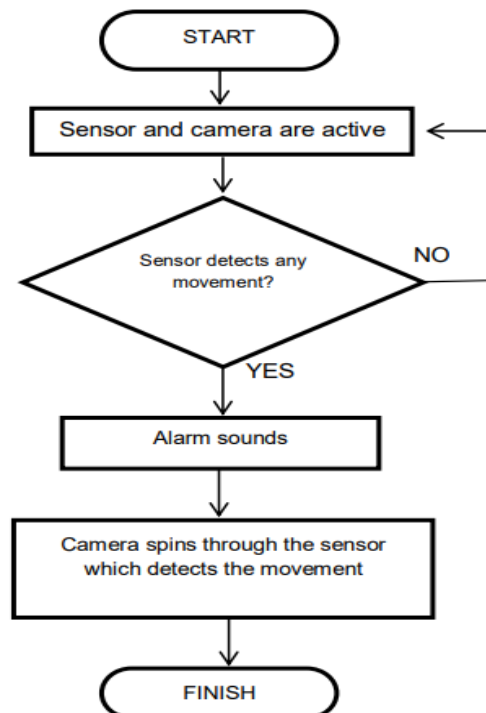


Figure 8: flowchart of PIR sensor

Initial Design

From the tools, it is made a thief detector tool and it is expected that this system will be able to know an act of theft. The working system of this application relies on a PIR sensor to trigger the camera. The camera will automatically lead to which the sensor detected the movement. For the RFID, if the theft picked up the belonging thing from the RFID, the alarm trigger and the servo motor will rotate 180 degrees. The function of the servo motor is to close the door automatically when the RFID sensor functions. This figure shows the whole design of the Theft Detector Security System.

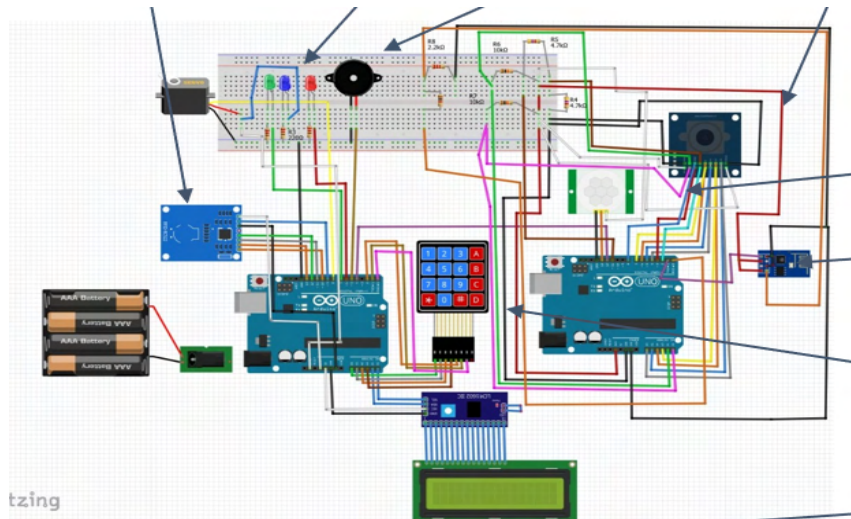


Figure 9 : a whole design

5. Product development

Product Development

The development of the product could be divided into three phases for each software and hardware team which are the early phase, mid-phase, and final phase. Each phase consists of its respective process in completing the project.

1. Early Phase

This phase for the hardware team consists of finalizing the equipment or components used for the project based on the decided features. The specifications of each piece of equipment also need to be rechecked to ensure compatibility with the system built and also with other equipment and components. The cost and availability of each piece of equipment also played some roles in this phase. In this pandemic situation, visiting shops and merchants were unpermitted in some areas, thus leading to one alternative, online purchasing. This medium was used to check the availability and costs of the equipment. The cost is very important as one of the niches of this system is the cheap and affordable cost. The figure below shows one of the pieces of equipment bought through the medium.

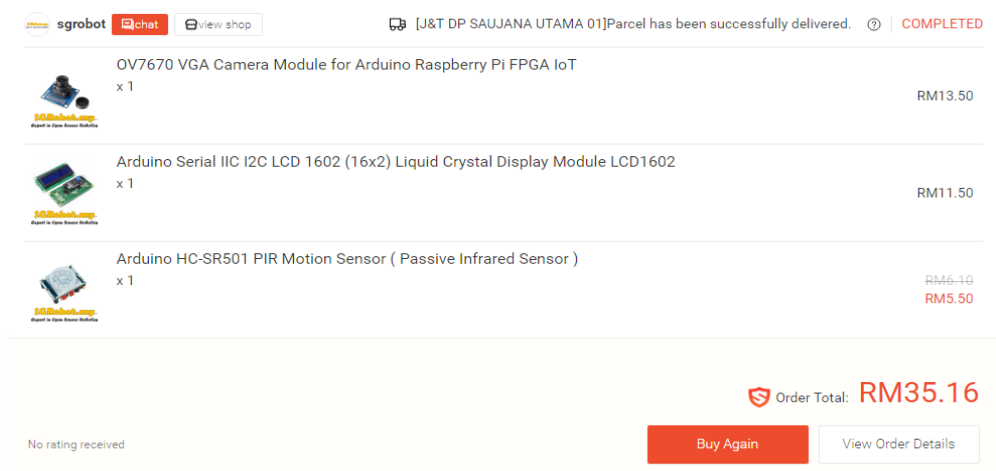


Figure 10 shows some of the equipment bought for the project.

In this phase, the software team focused on the research and the study of the codes that can be used in the system. The codes will be used to realize the features implemented in the system. Various websites, blogs, and articles were used in the study such as the Arduino Project Hub and Github. Tutorials videos from Youtube also were used in the study. Each feature will require different functions and operations in the coding, thus a clear understanding was needed in the development of the codes for the system. The software team also built a suggested circuit for the system which also will be used as the reference for the codes. The figure below shows some of the examples of the codes and the suggested circuit.

```

23 char hexaKeys[rows][columns] = {
24   {'1','2','3','A'},
25   {'4','5','6','B'},
26   {'7','8','9','C'},
27   {'*','0','#','D'}
28 };
29
30 byte row_pins[rows] = {A0,A1,A2,A3};
31
32 byte column_pins[columns] = {A4,A5,3,2};
33
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Figure 11 shows some of the coding involved in the 4x4 Keypad and LCD feature.

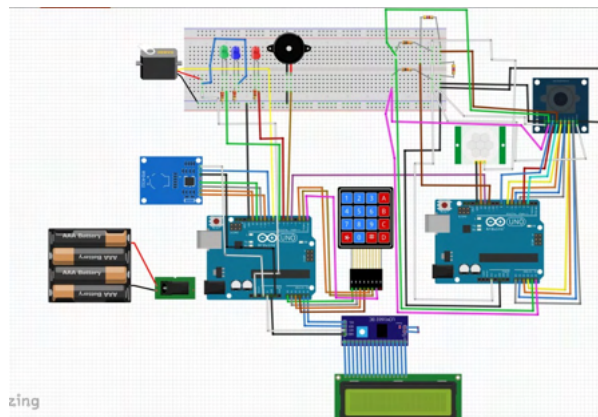


Figure 12 shows the suggested circuit for the system

2. Mid Phase

This phase consists of connecting and testing processes for the hardware team and integrating and troubleshooting processes for the software team. The testing process was conducted to ensure each component works as the desired features. The process was done by making simple connections with the reference from the internet. The connecting process is where the equipment and component were combined. They were combined based on the suggested circuit of the system. The process required one's maximum focus as it involves meticulous and detailed work. The figure below shows some examples of testing and connecting processes.



Figure 13 shows an example of an LCD function.

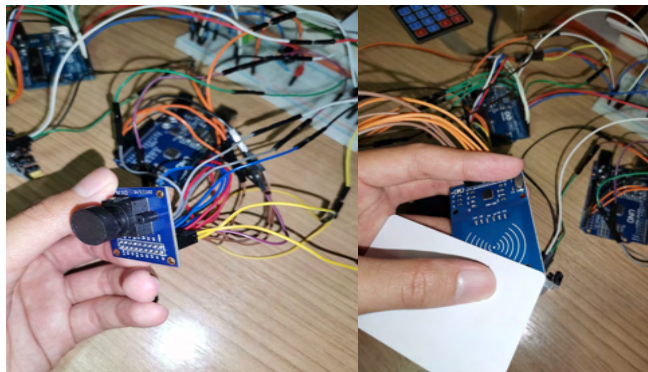


Figure 14 shows some connecting processes on the equipment used.

The software team conducted the integrating and troubleshooting processes. In the first place, the codes were built according to their respective features. Then, the codes were compiled and troubleshot to avoid any errors. After that, the codes of each feature are integrated on the same page to act as the same system. The codes were compiled and troubleshot before the transferring process to the hardware was done. The figure below shows some of the parts of the codes used in the project.

```

void loop() {

if (NormalMode == true) {
// System will first look for mode
if (RFIDMode == false) {
key_pressed = keypad_key.getKey(); // Storing keys
if (key_pressed)
{
password[i++] = key_pressed; // Storing in password variable
lcd.print("*");
}
}
if (i == 4) // If 4 keys are completed
{
delay(200);
if (!(strcmp(password, initial_password, 4))) // If password is matched
{
lcd.clear();
lcd.print("System Initialized");
digitalWrite(greenLed, HIGH);
delay(3000);
digitalWrite(greenLed, LOW);
sg90.write(0); // Door is unlocked
lcd.clear();
i = 0;
RFIDMode = true; // Make RFID mode true
}
}
}
}

```

Figure 15 shows some codes for the initialization phase.

```

}
if (i == 4) // If 4 keys are completed
{
  delay(200);
  if (!strcmp(password, initial_password, 4)) // If password is matched
  {
    lcd.clear();
    lcd.print("System shutdown");
    digitalWrite(greenLed, HIGH);
    delay(3000);
    digitalWrite(greenLed, LOW);
    sg90.write(-180); // Door is unlocked
    lcd.clear();
    i = 0;
    NormalMode = true;
    digitalWrite(outPin, LOW);
  }
  else // If password is not matched
  {
    lcd.clear();
    lcd.print("Wrong Password");
    digitalWrite(buzzerPin, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(redLed, HIGH);
    delay(3000);
    digitalWrite(buzzerPin, LOW);
    digitalWrite(redLed, LOW);
    lcd.clear();
    i = 0;
    RFIDMode = false;
  }
}

```

Figure 16 shows some codes for the shutdown of the alarm of the system.

3. Final Phase

This phase consists of troubleshooting the system with the compiled coding and finalizing the demonstration for the exhibition. The troubleshooting process was done together with the hardware and software team. The coding was compiled into the system and the system was tested to reconfirm the features. The connections between the equipment and components were also rechecked.

The finalization of the demonstration process was done after the troubleshooting process where the system performed its features according to the desired plan. The demonstration process was recorded as during the exhibition only pre-recorded demonstration was needed. The video was shown to the supervisor for his approval. The figure below shows the top view of the system.

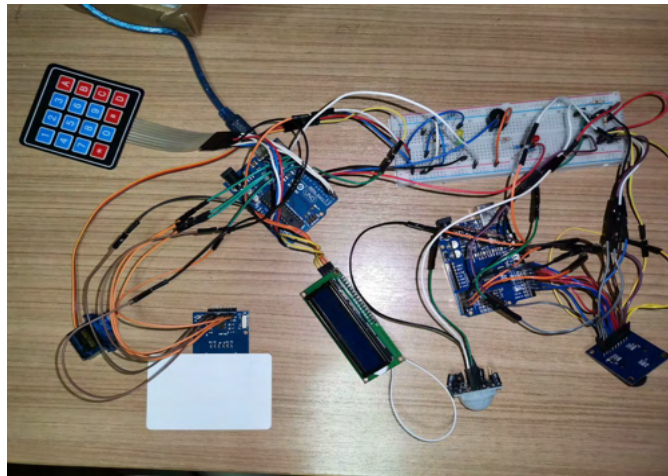


Figure 17 shows the top view of the system.

6. Discussion on the developed product

The project's central theme is how to secure the asset most efficiently and cheaply without the owner's availability. There are four main features to give the owner the confidence to drop his /her assets in public areas.

1. Alarm system

The alarm system includes a buzzer and red led, which are triggered to alarm the surrounding of the theft process.

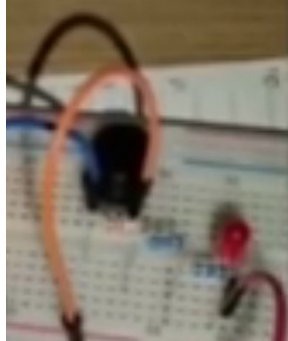


Figure 18 shows a picture of the alarm system.

2. Camera

The camera snaps the photo 240 x 360 pixel of the culprit when the PIR sensor senses a motion near the door.

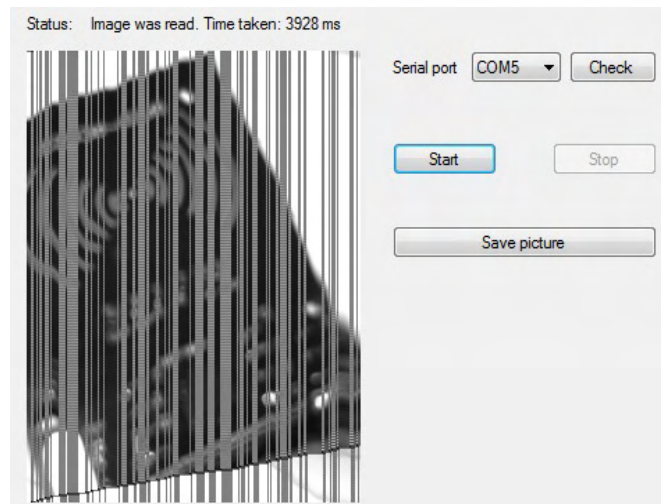


Figure 19 shows a picture of the camera result.

3. IoT

The WIFI module will send a notification of a warning with the culprit's picture to the owner.



Figure 20 shows an email sent to the owner to notify them of a theft process with a picture.

4. Door Locking

The door will automatically lock due to asset removal from the specified place from the RFID reader.



Figure 21 shows a photo of the servo motor which is going to lock and unlock the door.

The project is separated into two Arduino with different coding. The first system, coded on the first Arduino UNO, that manages RFID, motor, keypad, and LCD, works as the main system. The second system, code on the second Arduino UNO, that manages Camera OV7670, PIR sensor, and the ESP8266 ESP 01 WIFI module, works as the secondary system.

1. Main System

There are two main functions in the void loop. First is when the normal mode is True, the system will wait for the password to enter to turn on the RFID reader. Then when the RFID reader is turned on, The RFID reader checks if the asset is still in place and repeats this process until the system shutdown or the asset is taken out from a specified location. When that occurs, the second function turns on. The second function is when the normal mode is False, the system will lock the door by rotating the motor, the alarm will turn on, and an output, which will be pin 4, will be high to turn on the second system which functions the camera, PIR sensor, and wifi module.

2. Secondary System

The second system handles the camera, PIR sensor, and WIFI module parts. First, it waits for the output from the main system to initialize. Then it sends an email to the owner to warn him of a theft process. Then the PIR sensor checks if there is any motion near the door, when it detects a motion the camera captures the culprit's face and sends it through the email using the WIFI module.

Problems have risen especially in the process of implementing the codes to the hardware. Some features did not function properly as expected. The first problem was in the entering password on the keypad to turn off the system. The user could not enter the four key passwords due to the Arduino refresh rate, which reset the password after inputting one number of the password. The software team added a while loop to solve this problem, which waits for the user to input the four inputs. The second problem was some unnecessary while loops added, and the LCD was showing the texts as blinking. The software team added some delays to allow the user to read the texts and changed some while loops to if conditions.

Plans to develop this product is to substitute OV7670 and ESP8266 with ESP32, which functions as a WIFI module and a camera simultaneously. This could decrease the wiring and power consumption. The second is substituting the used RFID reader with a more powerful, which could read multiple RFID tags simultaneously. This could increase the product's price and power consumption, but looking at the bigger picture if used various assets in one room could be more efficient.

7. Conclusion

To sum up, only the prototype device was developed and evaluated for each test, considering the practical use. However, this project's outcomes satisfy the criteria of this framework's current operation and need any potential adjustment to meet user needs.

This project's fundamental goal is to develop a stable security system that is limited in scale, has a fast and straightforward interface, and can be reached several distances. During the system's development phase, an opportunity is given to locate the necessary sensors, program the microcontroller, and interface the system's inputs and outputs. Besides, additional information is obtained regarding the use of applications.

This security system has had a significant impact on learning and practical knowledge in hardware and software work. It also allows students the chance to interface portions of the coordination system with protocols to operate. The device development starts when the frame is built and assembled, the hardware and software are specified, the circuits are created, the device inputs and outputs are designed and interfaced. After the project was finished, the transmitter and receiver module was installed.

In a nutshell, the main objectives of this system have been successfully achieved. This security system provides a safe and positive environment, especially for students. Also, it helps to ensure the safety and personal usage of a room.

Recommendation

The recommendations for potential changes to this project are outlined in this section. While this project has accomplished its target, which entails developing microcontroller programs to achieve the project's goal and priorities, there is still a long way to go.

In this project, future hybrid power supplies should be integrated into this system to solve the power supply issue. The hybrid power supply means that the power is provided respectively by direct source and rechargeable batteries. To make the device remember the owner, fingerprint switches can be substituted in the future control switch. Instead of using the keypad method, it will build a more secure scheme.

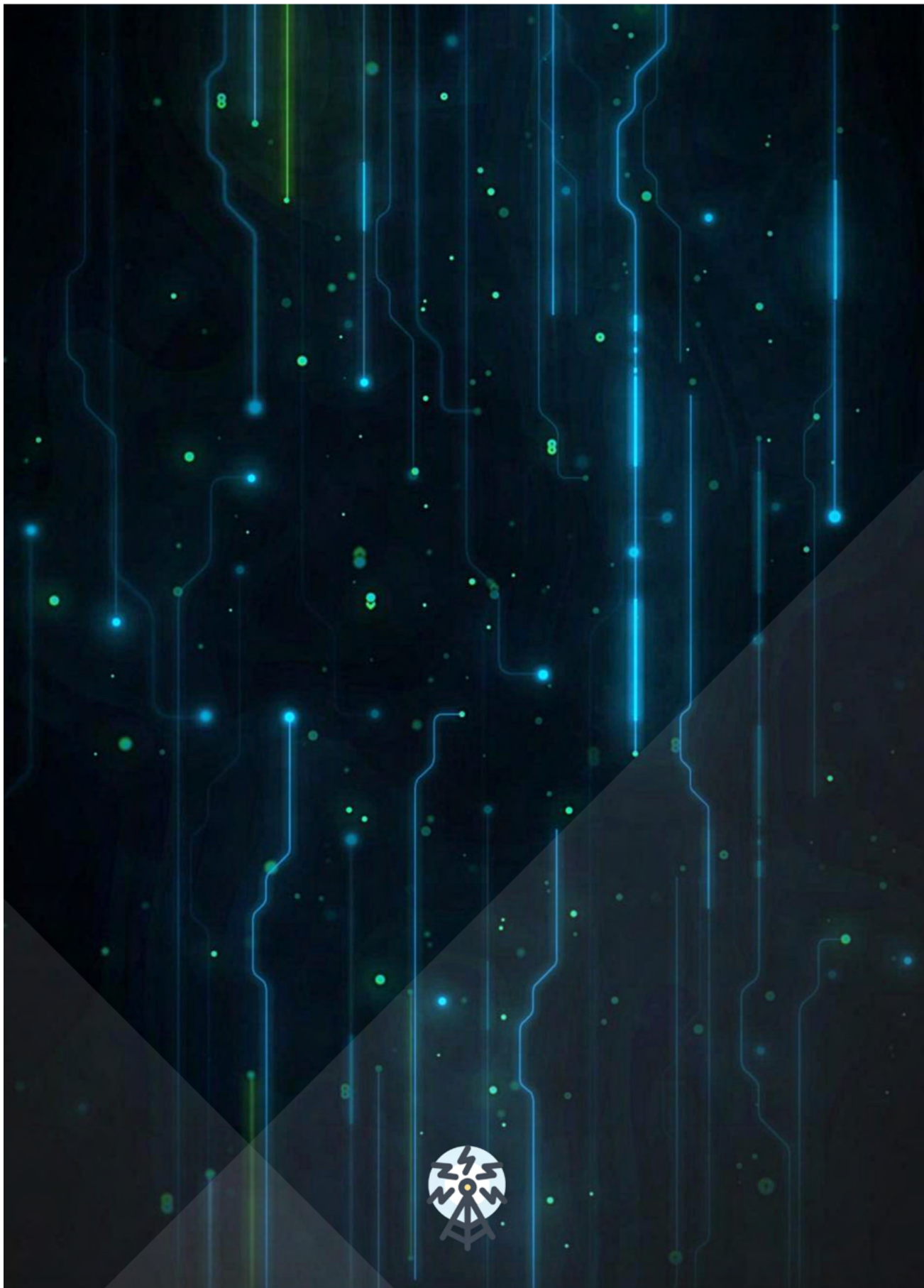
Lastly, email interface systems can be changed to other types of interface such as an application. Users can get notified of the room via a smart device application to solve the notification problem.

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