VACANT PARKING DETECTOR 2.0

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Project Motivation & Objective

- (INRIX) 17 hours and \$345 on average searching for parking in US
- A system detecting available parking spaces helps parking efficiently





Project Introduction

- Using ultrasonic sensor to detect the status of parking space (distance > 2m)
- Transferring the status data to the server via ESP8266 Wi-Fi module
- Check the parking space status using mobile device









Project Comparison

	Our Project	Team #39 FA17	Improvement
Data Transmission	• Wi-Fi	Radio Frequency	Less interference
			Higher speed
Proximity Sensor	Ultrasound	 Infrared 	Wider range
			More reliable
			Cheaper
Parking Space	• LED	• LED	• Use mobile device to
	Webpage		access parking info



Design Overview

- 3 Hardware Parts:
 - Sensor Module
 - Control Module
 - Power Module
- 2 Software Parts:
 - Notification Module
 - Mobile Device
- I Goal:
 - Make parking easier





Design Overview

- Data Flowchart:
 - Start: Sensor MCU initiates detection sequence
 - End: Mobile device browses local webpage for parking info

Data Format:

Space Index +
 Space status







Project Demonstration







Physical Design (Sensor)

- Sensor Module:
 - Ultrasonic Ranging Sensor: HC-SR04
 - Micro Controlling Unit: ATmega328P-PU
 - WLAN IC: ESP-01S
 - Circuit Layout: Arduino Clone Board
- Functionalities:
 - Detect stationary vehicle within duty range
 - Report space status to Control Module via WLAN





Physical Design (Sensor)





Physical Design (Sensor)

- URS Detection Schematic:
- Time Difference:
 - Round trip
- Object Distance:
 - 2m threshold
- Parking Status:
 - d < 2m: occupied
 - $d \ge 2m$: vacant

 $\begin{array}{c} & 10 \text{ cm} \\ \hline \\ & 10 \text{ cm} \\ \hline \\ & 10 \text{ cm} \\ \hline \\ & speed of sound: \\ & v = 340 \text{ m/s} \\ & v = 0,034 \text{ cm/}\mu s \\ \hline \\ & Time = distance / speed: \end{array}$

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Distance:

$$s = t \cdot 0,034 / 2$$

Physical Design (Sensor Tolerance)





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Distance (m)



Distance

(d)

0.25m

0.5m

0.75m

1m

Physical Design (URS R&V)

- Requirement:
 - Detect the vehicle within 2m range
- Verification:
 - Move a plate between 0.5m and 2.5m away from the URS
 - Compare the distance reading from URS to physical measurements







Physical Design (Sensor MCU R&V)

- Requirement:
 - Convert time difference into space status with ~0.5Hz refresh rate
- Verification:
 - Access both signals from URS and MCU
 - Perform manual conversions and compare results to MCU output
 - Inject a 0.5Hz time-varying signal to the MCU and see if output updates timely





Physical Design (Client WLAN IC R&V)

- Requirement:
 - Send message to Server WLAN IC with ~0.5Hz refresh rate
- Verification:
 - Inject a 0.5Hz time-varying signal to the Client WLAN IC
 - Check client message in Server WLAN IC to see if it updates timely





Physical Design (Ctrl)

- Control Module:
 - Micro Controlling Unit: ATmega328P-PU
 - WLAN IC: ESP-01S
 - Circuit layout: Arduino Clone Board
- Functionalities:
 - Gather space status from multiple Sensor Modules
 - Display status on a local webserver





Physical Design (Control)





Physical Design (Control R&V)

- Requirement:
 - Connect to all Sensor Module clients within range <= 25m via WLAN</p>
- Verification:
 - After configuration, place two WLAN ICs 25m apart
 - Confirm two-way wireless transmissions using predefined data packet



Physical Design (Server WLAN IC R&V)

- Requirement:
 - Process data from different client WLAN ICs with ~0.5Hz refresh rate
- Verification:
 - Send a 0.5Hz time-varying signal from another WLAN IC to it
 - Monitor its serial ports to see if output updates timely





Physical Design (Peripheral and R&V)

- Off-the-shelf Hardware:
 - Solar Panel + Li-Po Battery
 - 5V-1A Power Adaptor
- Requirement:
 - They must supply 5V±0.1V and <1A to support module normal operation
- Verification:
 - Connect the power supply to a $10k\Omega$ resistor
 - Measure resistor voltage and current





Software Design (Notification)

Local Web Server:

- Ambient Network Dependency: Require outside Wi-Fi router
- Static IP Address: Easier access
- Dual Ports Setup: 23 for WLAN IC, 80 for mobile device
- Local Webpage: Display parking status message in graphics

```
10 byte ledPin = 2;
11 char ssid[] = "Jiahe";
12 char pass[] = "zhangzeyu";
13 // esp server
14 WiFiServer server(23);
15 // web server
16 WiFiServer server_(80);
17
18 IPAddress ip(172,20,10,10);
19 IPAddress gateway(172,20,10,1);
20 IPAddress subnet(255,255,255,0);
21
22 String stat_1 = "vacant";
23 String stat_2 = "vacant";
24 String stat_3 = "vacant";
25 // Variable to store the HTTP re
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Software Design (Mobile Device)

- Access Local Webpage:
 - Use the static webserver IP address
 - Parking status displayed in both text and graphic
 - Refresh the webpage to get updated parking info

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Parking Monitoring System 2.0					
	Lot #1 occupied				
	OCP				
	Lot #2 vacant				
	VCT				



Software Demonstration





Project Development

- Success:
 - Unit Tests, Modular Integrations, and of course the Final Demo
- Challenge:
 - Transmits Data From Control Module To User





Project Development

- Method 1: Run python scripts to manage data locally and send them to user via Android
 - Pro: Better UI
 - Con: Static information update, Heavy workload, Permission issue

```
import serial
     import re
 4
     parking = {}
     client = 0
     status = 0
 6
     # search for serial port
     ser = serial.Serial('/dev/cu.usbserial-A9M9DV3R', 115200)
     while(1):
10
         print(ser.readline())
11
12
         info = str(ser.readline())
13
14
         c = re.search('Client{(.+?)}', info)
15
         if c:
             client = c.group(1)
17
             s = re.search('Status{(.+?)}', info)
18
19
             if s:
20
                 status = s.group(1)
21
                 parking[client] = status
22
23
         output_f = open('parking.txt', 'w')
         # update all the parking information for every loop
25
         for cli in parking.keys():
26
             if parking[cli] == '0':
27
                 output f.write('Slot: '+cli+' '+'Unoccupied'+'\r\n')
28
             else:
                 output_f.write('Slot: '+cli+' '+'Occupied'+'\r\n')
29
         output f.close()
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Project Development (Method 1 Demo)

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🚮 gradle.properties (Project Properties)	32 everine everine (
💿 settings.gradle (Project Settings)	34 String text = "";	
local.properties (SDK Location)		
	<pre>36 InputStream is = getAssets().open(fileName: "file.txt");</pre>	
	37 int size = is.available();	
	38 byte[] buffer = new byte[sl2e]; is read(byte[sl2e])	
	40 is.cos():	
	41 text = new String (buffer);	
	42 } catch (IOException ex) {	
	43 ex.printStackTrace();]	
	<pre>tv_text.setText(text);</pre>	
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Project Development

- Transmits Data From Control Module To User
- Method 2: Forward ports so that certain applications can access my computer
 - Pro: Easy to implement
 - Con: Dynamic IP address
 - Solution: Setup static IP address, or Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) reservation

Conclusion

- Ultrasonic sensor detects vehicle's occupancy status
- Wi-Fi IC unit transmits data to control unit
- Server reflects updated information to user
- Parking lot owners or law enforcers remotely monitor parking status
- Drivers make better parking decisions



Future Work

- Water Resistance
- Plate Recognition
- Vehicle Type Recognition
- Distributed System:
 - Cheaper
 - Avoid database single-point failure
 - Easier to manage many parking lots concurrently





Question?



Thank you!







Supplement Materials



Physical Design (Control MCU R&V)

- Requirement:
 - MCU Must be able to identify detection data source, i.e. decode the space index, and must share data with other components with >=0.5Hz refresh rate
- Verification:
 - Inject known dummy data with defined format into it
 - Access the output to check its decoding result
 - Inject a >=0.5Hz time-varying signal to it and monitor its output using the oscilloscope



Full Data Flowchart



