

**Multidisciplinary Senior Design
Project Readiness Package**

Project Title:	Light Rail
Project Number: (assigned by MSD)	17316
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Preferred Start Term:	Fall 2016
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Other Support:	
Project Guide: (assigned by MSD)	

Dr. Vincent J. Amuso 7/15/2016
Prepared By Date

Received By Date

Items marked with a * are required, and items marked with a † are preferred if available, but we can work with the proposer on these.

Project Information

- **Overview:**

The Light Rail is a flexible [fixed] track that uses a series of lights to simulate the motion of a target such as a baseball, tennis ball, or hockey puck. This allows measurement and training of anticipation timing and speed estimation. The user activates a hand controller or swings a bat, a racquet, a hand etc. when the light reaches a certain position on the Light Rail; the controller will then freeze the movement of the lights and display the reaction/anticipation time with an accuracy of one millisecond; the error in distance can be determined by observing which light remains on. The location of the stopped light indicates the instant that the "batter" reacted. The Light Rail controller then displays the early or late reaction time in thousandths of a second (milliseconds).

One of the applications of the unit is to test the area of human visual acuity related to eye-hand coordination and anticipation. The subject is instructed to watch a light as it travels down the runway. They must anticipate the light reaching the target and press a pushbutton, or perform some other action, to coincide with the arrival of the light at the target.

- * **Preliminary Customer Requirements (CR):**

- Different start and ending speeds may be set for acceleration or deceleration
- Storage of all test settings
- Any light on the runway can be selected as a target light
- Independent blinking of any light or section of lights along the runway
- Stand-alone instrument with small portable control panel
- Constructed for a wide range of user response methods - handheld push button, photocell, switch mat, or various custom applications
- Portable
- Tablet controller/actuator – tablet or integrated
- Programmable or pre-programmed settings
- Feedback
- Light position and/or digital readout

- Data capture/memory or not
- Hard-wired or wireless (possibly Bluetooth) control
- Remote or hard-wired reaction controller

*** Preliminary Engineering Requirements (ER):**

Metrics:

- The trainee ("batter") is positioned so that the last light lines up with him/her and is called "home plate." The first light is 15 to 20 feet from "home plate" simulating the "pitcher's mound."
- When the start button is depressed, the first light (pitcher's mound) will flash on and off.
- After a short time delay (TBD), the lights will appear to move toward "home plate" at a pre-set speed calibrated in miles per hour.
- The "batter" must respond by stopping the moving lights at the same instant +/- 1 millisecond they pass over the "home plate".

Specifications:

TBD

*** Constraints**

A working proto type must be complete by February 28, 2017.

*** Project Deliverables:**

Minimum requirements:

- All design documents (e.g., concepts, analysis, detailed drawings/schematics, BOM, test results)
- working prototype
- technical paper
- poster
- All teams finishing during the spring term are expected to participate in ImagineRIT

Additional required deliverables:

- User's Manual

† Budget Information:

Include total budget, any major cost items anticipated, and any special purchasing requirements from the sponsor(s).

- Total material cost should not exceed \$350.00

*** Intellectual Property:**

Xtreme intends to retain the IP.

Project Resources

† Required Resources (besides student staffing):

Describe the resources necessary for successful project completion. When the resource is secured, the responsible person should initial and date to acknowledge that they have agreed to provide this support. We assume that all teams with ME/ISE students will have access to the ME Machine Shop and all teams with EE students will have access to the EE Senior Design Lab, so it is not necessary to list these. Limit this list to specialized expertise, space, equipment, and materials.

Faculty list individuals and their area of expertise (people who can provide specialized knowledge unique to your project, e.g., faculty you will need to consult for more than a basic technical question during office hours)	Initial/ date
Vincent J. Amuso Mr. Tim Landschoot Marcos Esterman	
Environment (e.g., a specific lab with specialized equipment/facilities, space for very large or oily/greasy projects, space for projects that generate airborne debris or hazardous gases, specific electrical requirements such as 3-phase power)	Initial/ date
<i>A lab space where the Light Rail can be tested. Since the rail may be 20 feet long and a subject may be swinging a baseball, an adequate amount of space will be required.</i>	
Equipment (specific computing, test, measurement, or construction equipment that the team will need to borrow, e.g., CMM, SEM,)	Initial/ date
<i>Access to the ME machine shop.</i>	
Materials (materials that will be consumed during the course of the project, e.g., test samples from customer, specialized raw material for construction, chemicals that must be purchased and stored)	Initial/ date
Other	Initial/ date

† Anticipated Staffing By Discipline:

Indicate the requested staffing for each discipline, along with a brief explanation of the associated activities. “Other” includes students from any department on campus besides those explicitly listed. For example, we have done projects with students from Industrial Design, Business, Software Engineering, Civil Engineering Technology, and Information Technology. **If you have recruited students to work on this project (including student-initiated projects), include their names here.**

Dept.	# Req.	Expected Activities
BME	0	
CE	1	Microcontroller/DSP selection & programming
EE	2 (3*)	Circuit design & construction, component selection, hardware/software interface. (*If possible addition of a third EE with wireless experience.)
ISE	1	Ergonomics related to subject use and portability & storage
ME	2	Rail design & construction, stand design & construction
Other		

*** Skills Checklist:**

Indicate the skills or knowledge that will be needed by students working on this project. Please use the following scale of importance:

1 = must have

2 = helpful, but not essential

3 = either a very small part of the project, or relates to a “bonus” feature

blank = not applicable to this project

Biomedical Engineering

BME Core Knowledge		BME Elective Knowledge	
	Matlab		Medical image processing
	Aseptic lab techniques		COMSOL software modeling
	Gel electrophoresis		Medical visualization software
	Linear signal analysis and processing		Biomaterial testing/evaluation
	Fluid mechanics		Tissue culture
	Biomaterials		Advanced microscopy
	Labview		Microfluidic device fabrication and measurement
	Simulation (Simulink)		Other (specify)
	System physiology		
	Biosystems process analysis (mass, energy balance)		
	Cell culture		
	Computer-based data acquisition		
	Probability & statistics		

	Numerical & statistical analysis		
	Biomechanics		
	Design of biomedical devices		

Computer Engineering

	CE Core Knowledge		CE Elective Knowledge
	Digital design (including HDL and FPGA)		Networking & network protocols
	Software for microcontrollers (including Linux and Windows)		Wireless networks
	Device programming (Assembly, C)		Robotics (guidance, navigation, vision, machine learning, control)
	Programming: Python, Java, C++		Concurrent and embedded software
	Basic analog design		Embedded and real-time systems
	Scientific computing (including C and Matlab)		Digital image processing
	Signal processing		Computer vision
	Interfacing transducers and actuators to microcontrollers		Network security
			Other (specify)

Electrical Engineering

	EE Core Knowledge		EE Elective Knowledge
	Circuit Design (AC/DC converters, regulators, amplifiers, analog filter design, FPGA logic design, sensor bias/support circuitry)		Digital filter design and implementation
	Power systems: selection, analysis, power budget		Digital signal processing
	System analysis: frequency analysis (Fourier, Laplace), stability, PID controllers, modulation schemes, VCO's & mixers, ADC selection		Microcontroller selection/application
	Circuit build, test, debug (scope, DMM, function generator)		Wireless: communication protocol, component selection
	Board layout		Antenna selection (simple design)
	Matlab		Communication system front end design
	PSpice		Algorithm design/simulation
	Programming: C, Assembly		Embedded software design/implementation
	Electromagnetics: shielding, interference		Other (specify)

Industrial & Systems Engineering

	ISE Core Knowledge		ISE Elective Knowledge
	Statistical analysis of data: regression		Design of Experiment
	Materials science		Systems design – product/process design
	Materials processing, machining lab		Data analysis, data mining
	Facilities planning: layout, mat'l handling		Manufacturing engineering
	Production systems design: cycle time, throughput, assembly line design, manufacturing process design		DFx: manufacturing, assembly, environment, sustainability

	Ergonomics: interface of people and equipment (procedures, training, maintenance)		Rapid prototyping
	Math modeling: OR (linear programming, simulation)		Safety engineering
	Project management		Other (specify)
	Engineering economy: Return on Investment		
	Quality tools: SPC		
	Production control: scheduling		
	Shop floor IE: methods, time studies		
	Computer tools: Excel, Access, AutoCAD		
	Programming (C++)		

Mechanical Engineering

	ME Core Knowledge		ME Elective Knowledge
	3D CAD		Finite element analysis
	Matlab programming		Heat transfer
	Basic machining		Modeling of electromechanical & fluid systems
	2D stress analysis		Fatigue and static failure criteria
	2D static/dynamic analysis		Machine elements
	Thermodynamics		Aerodynamics
	Fluid dynamics (CV)		Computational fluid dynamics
	LabView		Biomaterials
	Statistics		Vibrations
	Materials selection		IC Engines
			GD&T
			Linear Controls
			Composites
			Robotics
			Other (specify)