EE 491 Weekly Report MAY1633 Week 4 (9/22/15-9/29/15)

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Project Title: Portable Nutrient Data Collection System Based on MEMS

Sensors and Smartphone technologies

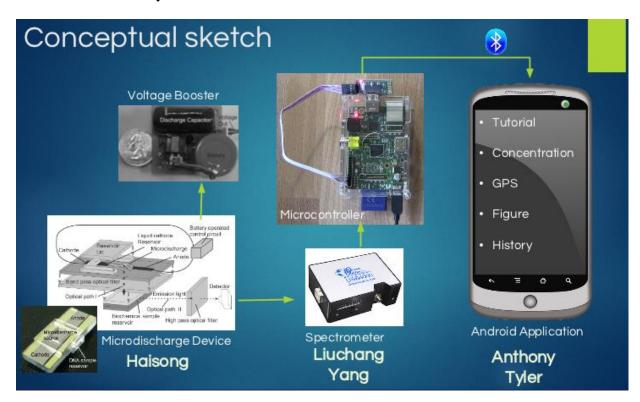
Summary and Accomplishments

The main goal of this week is to mainly compare the microcontrollers to find the best low power options to build the system. Besides, group members started to sum up the time line for each part. The PhD student demonstrated how the spectrometer would work. Website design was basically finished.

WHO	WHAT	HOURS
Anthony	 Contact advisors to set up the meeting 	5
	 Research the Microcontroller option: Arduino 	
	 Sketch the system diagram, figure the relation and connection 	
	between each components and fill details about how system run	
LiuChang	Research the transmission method (USB or RS232), format	5
	from spectrometer to microcontroller and find the most fitable	
	cable	
	 Build the project website and upload files 	
	 Research TI MSP430 microcontroller technical feature 	
Haisong	 Research background of the electronic component voltage boost 	5
	circuit	
	 Collect the results and design of group member and made slices 	
	 Design the subsystem of the circuit and trigger device 	
Tyler	 Working on the background of the GPS and Bluetooth module 	3.5
	on Samsung cell phone	
	 Design the subsystem of the App 	
Yang	 Compare and research the transmission mathod(USB or 	5
	RS232), format of the data file from spectrometer and the	
	method of pulling the data to microcontroller	
	 Research the technical features of Raspberry Pi 	
	 Start to draft the project plan 	

Meeting notes:

- 1. Discussion about the options about the microcontrollers between Arduino, TI MSP430 and Raspberry Pi. The board kit, such as Arduino and MSP430 consume too much power. It would be more power efficient if building our own board by only using the processor and certain ports.
- 2. Microcontroller is the core of the system, it will connect to the detecting device, GPS, Bluetooth and cell phone
- 3. Storage alarm, storage format, connection alarm, method of connection between microcontroller to cell phone will be showed on a LCD screen
- 4. The sketch of the system is:



Pending issues

- 1. Do more research about build our own board and available low power microcontroller
- 2. Make the project plan draft

Plans for next week

- 1. Find more materials about building board
- 2. Purchase the components of voltage booster voltage.