Team Controller



Northrop Grumman

Weapon System Support Software

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Our Client

- Northrop Grumman is an aerospace and defense contractor. They operate in the following sectors:
 - Armament Systems
 - Space Systems
 - Defense Systems
 - Missions Systems

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System Diagnostic Process

These weapon systems produce a ton of complex data! Our clients use this to diagnose problems with their systems.

Diagnostic Process:

- 1. Broken product
- Dispatch engineer from Phoenix, AZ with tool

 Engineer works to resolve the problem, potentially coming back several times with more data/parts

Source: U.S. Army

The problem

- No end-user tool
 - Engineering tool is not easy to use, install, or understand
- Complex, insignificant data
- Lots of resources to dispatch engineers
- Must accommodate customers all over Arizona

Our Solution



We will develop a product to display the current condition of the weapon

- Product should have simplistic design
- Product should be easy to install and set up
- Product should require minimal IT support and maintenance

Plan for development

Project will be divided into phases

- Phase 1 Create class diagram and consider programming challenges
- Phase 2 Design simple GUI
- Phase 3 Connect to controller and read inputs
- Phase 4 Populate GUI with live updates
- Phase 5 Design system installer

Requirements

Multi-leveled requirements:

- Client
 - Simple need the client wants
- System
 - Needs to work on windows 10/11
- Software
 - Software requirements as we go on in development



Closing

- We are Team Controller
- Some challenges the client faces are travel times and complicated software
- Goal is to provide Northrop Grumman with a simple to use/install software
- This software can benefit both the Phoenix team and all teams around the United States