



ECE 416

25th January 2018

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Leonard

Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 3:42 PM

Subject: Getting into the right "LAB" section for ECE 416

Hi everyone: We need to get everyone into the correct lab section of ECE 416 as soon as possible, so please check and SWAP your section for the right one right away, according to your SDP team advisor as shown in the list below.

Thank you.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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01MR Aksamija, Zlatan
01LN Anderson, Neal
01NM Burleson, Wayne
01MV Ciesielski, Maciej
01LR Duarte, Marco
01MN Eslami, Y.
01LL Gao, Lixin

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 Benchside meetings | 2 | 3 |
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| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
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| 11 Spring Recess Begins | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 Classes resume | 20 Benchside Meetings | 21 | 22 Benchside Meetings | 23 | 24 |
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| April 2018 | | | | | | |
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| 15 | 16 Holiday Patriot's Day | 17 FPR | 18 FPR | 19 FPR | 20 FPR | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 SDP Demo Day ECE Picnic | 28 SDP Demo Day |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |



25 days to CDR



Spring Break



74 days to FPR



92 days to Demo Day

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| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| | | First Day of Classes | | Lecture | | |
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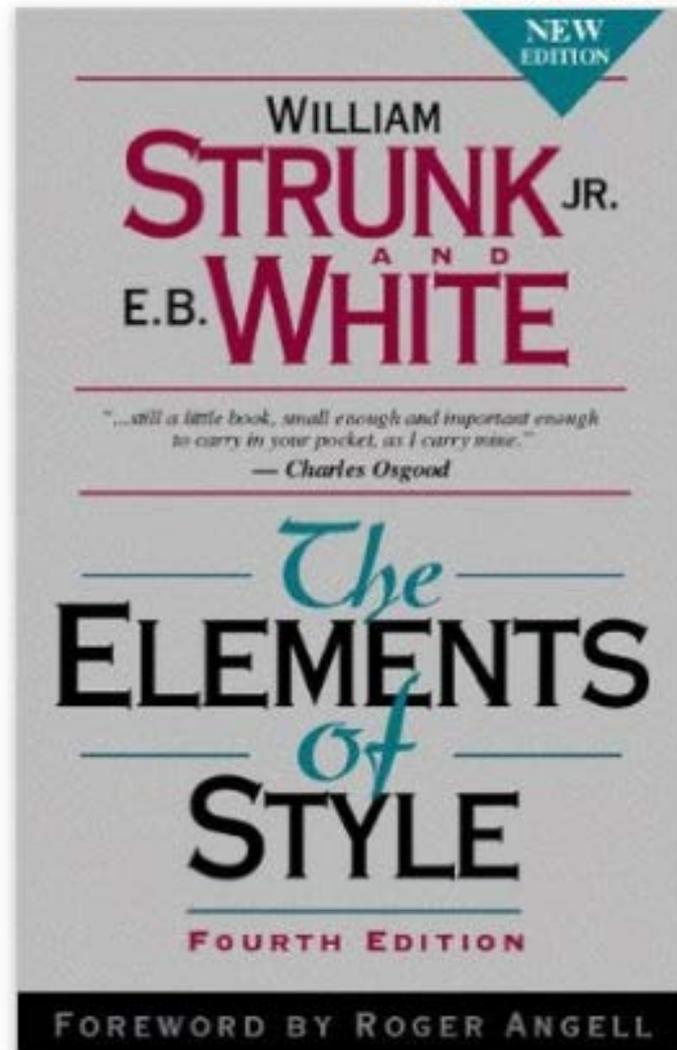
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Look inside ↓



Use Correct Person/pronouns

| | Singular | Plural | Possessive |
|------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1st Person | I  | we  |  mine/ours  |
| 2nd Person | you  | you  | yours  |
| 3rd Person | he/she/it  | they  | his/hers/its/theirs  |

Use Active Voice

The active voice is usually more direct and vigorous than the passive.

I shall always remember my first visit to Boston.

This is much better than

My first visit to Boston will always be remembered by me.

Use Active Voice

The habitual use of the active voice makes for **forcible writing**. This is true not only in the narrative concerned principally with action but **in writing of any kind**.

Use Active Voice

There were a great number of dead leaves lying on the ground

Dead leaves covered the ground

The reason he left college was that his health became impaired

Failing health compelled him to leave college

It was not long before she was very sorry that she had said what she had.

She soon repented her words

When a sentence is made stronger, it usually becomes shorter. Brevity is a by-product of vigor.

Put statements in positive form

Make definitive assertions. Avoid tame, colorless, hesitating, noncommittal language

He was not very often on time.

He usually came late.

They did not think that studying electronics was a sensible way to use one's time.

They thought the study of electronics a waste of time.

Use definite, specific concrete language

Prefer the specific to the general, the definite to the vague, the concrete to the abstract.

A period of unfavorable weather set it.

It was frigid every day for a week.

They showed satisfaction as they took possession of their well-earned reward.

They grinned as they pocketed first place in SDP18's faculty vote.

Omit needless words

Vigorous writing is concise. A sentence should contain no unnecessary words, a paragraph no unnecessary sentences, for the same reason that a drawing should have no unnecessary lines and a computer program no unnecessary code.

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whether

there is no doubt that

no doubt

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she

this it a course that

this course

the reason why is that

because

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Summarize the requirements analysis that you performed. How big can your solution be? How much power can it use? How will someone use your solution? List the specifications in a Table as shown in Table 1.

II. DESIGN

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How will you solve this problem? What technology will you use? Why do you expect that this technology will solve your problem? What other technologies did you consider? Why did you not choose these alternatives.

Include a block diagram as a figure. Describe each block in the diagram. What specifications will each block meet? How do these specifications collectively guarantee that the system will meet the overall specifications?

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|---------------|----------|
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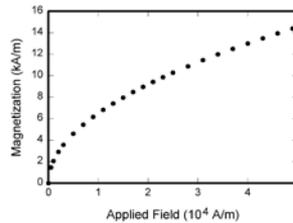


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- Figures and tables are integral to a report
- Introduce and discuss all figures and tables in the text.

“In Figure 1, we show the magnetization curve for the solenoid coil. It shows that saturation occurs for an applied field above 5 A/m.”

- All figures and tables are numbered and have captions.

References

- Substantiate claims; e.g., those made in introduction.
- Reference alternative solutions/designs.
- Reference data sheets and technical specifications.

“We achieve wireless connectivity between the bot and smartphone using the Adafruit Bluefruit LE Shield [4].”

- Empathize with future SDP teams, as they use SDP reports.

[4] Adafruit Bluefruit LE Shield, Adafruit Industries <https://www.adafruit.com/product/2746>

Equations

Consider Newton's laws for rotational motion

$$T = J\alpha \quad (1)$$

where T is torque, J is moment of inertia and α is angular acceleration. In (1) ...

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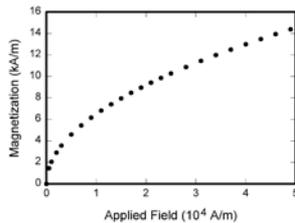
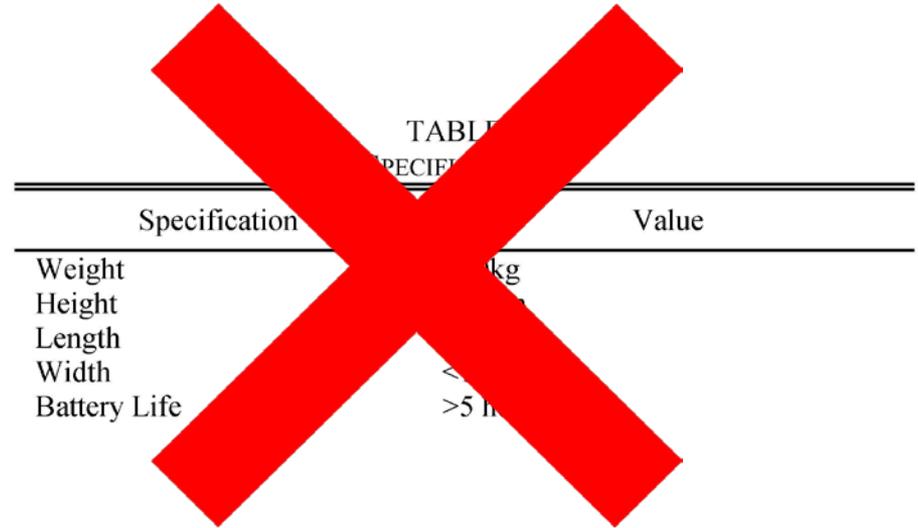


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Design Process: Set Intermediate Goals

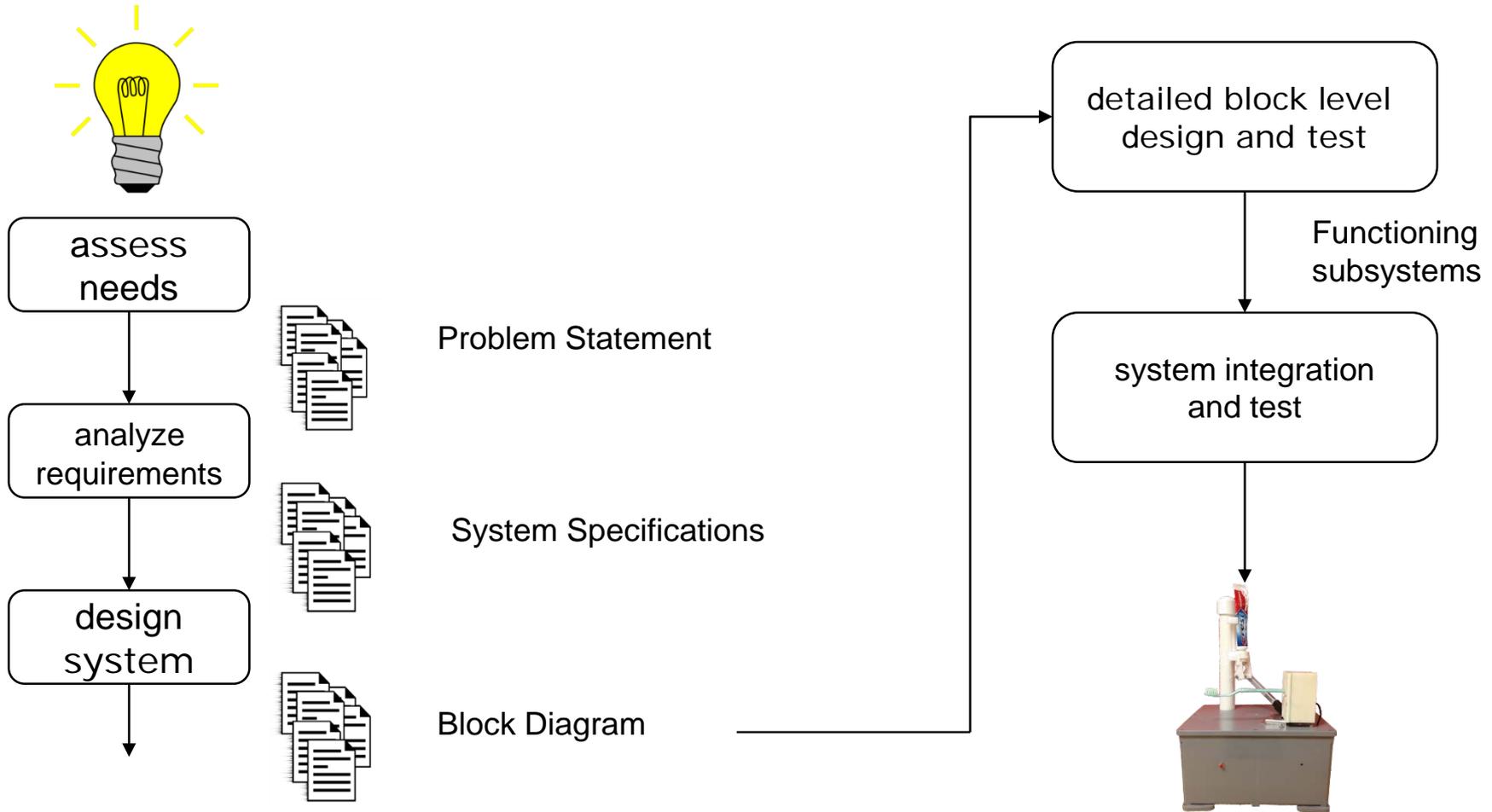


Table 1 (List of requirements and Specifications)

| Requirement | Specification |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Provide real-time feedback | Feedback given in less than 100ms |
| Provide accurate metric measurements | Within 10% error of Qualisys Oqus Motion Capture System measurements (in UMass Human Motion Lab) |
| Lightweight product | Sensor systems (sensors, PCB, and power supply) less than 1 pound Waist Clip (Raspberry Pi and power supply) less than 1 pound |
| Sufficient battery life | Battery life greater than 2 hours |
| User friendly mechanical design | User should be able to put on product easily with little to no added effort |

Table 1: List of system requirements and specifications.

Courtesy of Team "Stride," J. Higgins, J. Menzie, J. Penney and R. Hartnett

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