

About Things

ELEC-E9900 Networked Partnering and Product Innovation - NEPPI

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Recording

Learning Goals

1. Learn to use reference designs to guide your design concept vision

What is a reference design?

- Reference design is a product that has as similar properties / functionalities with your intended product as possible

What are the things to check?

- Claims / arguments / selling points
- Functionalities
- Size, shape, materials
- MCU
- Battery
- Sensors, actuators
- Price

Example product

How to update your design concept

IoT Product Concept Document

1. Concept description
 - a. Name, purpose
 - b. Key design requirements
 - i. Design Driver(s)
 - c. Possible system architecture
 - i. Cloud
 - ii. App
 - iii. Network
 - iv. Thing
2. Partnering
 - a. Your own role (or envisioned role for a start-up)
 - b. Expected roles for partners
 - c. (Possible real partners to consider)
3. Estimated production cost per physical product unit (Thing)
 - a. Total desired volume, year 1
4. Estimated key running costs
 - a. Personnel, storage, web services, data plans, ...
5. Key sources of revenue
 - a. Getting started – investors
 - b. Sustained revenue – customers

Computational capabilities

- Read a sensor and drive a servo - Arduino UNO
- Display messages on small OLED screen - ESP32
- Do real-time audio processing - ESP32 (limited)
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning - ESP32 (limited)

Typical electronic elements of an IoT product

- Battery (+battery management and charging)
- MCU (micro-controller unit)
- Sensor(s)
- Actuator(s)
- PCB / wiring / components

How big a battery do we need?

- <https://www.apple.com/watch/battery/>
- 542 mAh battery

Batteries Reference Prices

- Ring-size curved, 20 mAh, ~10 €
- Wristband-size 50-70 mAh, ~3 €
- Watch-size 200-500 mAh, ~7 €
- Palm-size 1.4 Ah, ~7€
- Book-size 8 Ah, ~50 - 100? €



2021 MacBook Pro has 12 battery modules...

2021 16-inch MacBook Pro, 99.6 Wh battery (11.45 V, 8693 mAh)



Batteries from the 16" (top) and 14" (bottom) 2021 MacBook Pros. Click to enlarge

MCU comparison table

- ATmega328 (Arduino UNO) ~2€
 - Speed 20 MHz, single core, 8 bit
 - Program Memory 32 KB, Data memory 1 KB
- ESP32 ~3€
 - Speed 240 MHz, dual-core, 32-bit
 - Program memory 520 KB, ROM 448 KB, Flash 16 MB

Meaningful differences in MCUs

- Processing capacity
- Memory
- Connectivity
- Inputs/Outputs
- Buses / Protocol support

Ring-size - Oura

- <https://ouraring.com/>

- Weight: 4 to 6 grams
- Width: 7.9mm
- Thickness: 2.55mm

Sensors:

- Green LEDs (optical heart rate sensor)
- Red LED (blood oxygen sensor)
- Infrared Photoplethysmography (PPG) sensors
- Skin temperature sensors (negative temperature coefficient sensors)
- Photodiodes
- 3D Accelerometer



Connectivity:

Bluetooth Low-Energy [SEP] (Bluetooth Smart®)

Battery & Power:

Up to 7 days of battery life

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Battery: Grepow curved LiPo ~10€
21mAh, 0.0777Wh

MCU: ~10€
Infineon PSoC 6 MCU: CY8C63x6
32-bit Dual CPU Subsystem

- 150-MHz Arm[®] Cortex[®]-M4F
- 100-MHz Cortex-M0+

Battery management: ~€1
Texas Instruments BQ25155

Titanium ring: ~?€

Sensors: ~2€

LEDs: ~0.2€

Other components: ~5€

Wrist band –size Garmin Vivosmart 4



- <https://www.garmin.com/en-US/p/782585#specs>

- MCU: nRF51422, ~2€
- Capacitive touch: CY8C20247S, ~1€
- Battery: 70mAh, Li-Ion, ~3,5€
- Battery management: ~3€

Connectivity:

Bluetooth Smart®, ANT+®

Battery & Power:

Up to 7 days of battery life

Sensors

GARMIN ELEVATE™ WRIST HEART RATE MONITOR	✓
ACCELEROMETER	✓
AMBIENT LIGHT SENSOR	✓
PULSE OX BLOOD OXYGEN SATURATION MONITOR	✓

No batteries at all?

Shelly 1PM

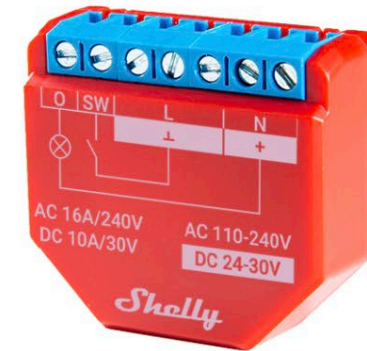


CPU	RAM	Antenna	Overvoltage protection	Overpower protection
ESP8266	2MB	Flexible PCB	No	YES
Overtemp. protection	DC	AC	Bluetooth	Cloud + MQTT
YES	24-60V	110-240V	No	Separately
MQTT + SSL	UDP	Webhooks	User reset button	Nº of parallel connections
No	Yes	HTTP	YES	2
Webhook limit per action	Scheduled webhooks	Scripting on device	Sunrise / Sunset actions	WiFi AP and Client mode
5	No	No	+/- 6h	Separately

CPU	RAM	Antenna	Overvoltage protection	Overpower protection
ESP32	4MB	Embedded Long distance	YES	YES
Overtemp. protection	DC	AC	Bluetooth	Cloud + MQTT
YES	24 - 30V	110 - 240V	YES	Simultaneously
MQTT + SSL	UDP	Webhooks	User reset button	Nº of parallel connections
YES	RPC	HTTP & HTTPS	YES	10
Webhook limit per action	Scheduled webhooks	Scripting on device	Sunrise / Sunset actions	WiFi AP and Client mode
20	YES	YES	+/- 23h	Simultaneously

<https://www.shelly.cloud/shelly-plus-1pm/>

Shelly Plus 1PM



Product elements

- Physical parts
- Electronic parts

Challenge – Prototype vs. Concept

- Design Concept represents the desirable future vision
 - It is a management tool
- Prototype represents what you want to learn
 - It is a learning tool
- Reference designs are good place to learn!

NEXPO22

- Product Concept / clarity/perceived value/attractiveness
 - IoT Service / illustration of system architecture
 - Physical Product / illustration/physical mock-up
 - Product UX / demo/video
 - Stand Experience / presentation/attractiveness/feel
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- Evaluated collaboratively with NEXPO visitors + You & Me

Deliverables

- Weekly deliverables
 - W1: IoT Machine – Challenge 1
 - W2: IoT Machine – Challenge 2
 - W3: Three initial design concepts
 - W4: Design concept
 - W5: Key design requirements
 - W6: Final IoT Concept & NEXPO
 - W7: Final deliverable (Concept document) & exam

Evaluation criteria

1. HexMachine, 20% (presence/compensations)
 2. NEXPO22, 20% (collaborative evaluation)
 3. IoT Product Concept Document, 20% (coverage/argumentation)
 4. Team Process Contribution, 20% (peer evaluation)
 5. Exam, 20% (5 open text questions)
- If you are absent, reading assignments will be assigned to you – and you need to catch up with your team