

EE/CpE 423-424
WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

Group #	5	Week ending:	9/28/03	Report #	2
Project Title:	Thumb-Thing				
Group Leader:	Brian Podolsky	Advisor:	Prof. Bruce McNair		
Sponsor/Client:					
Total number of person-hours spent on project by group during past week:				16	
Is project on schedule?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> [X]	No	<input type="checkbox"/> []

Weekly status:
<p>This week, the group tried to identify the major aspects of the project and what needs to get done in what order. Brian will be making up a Gantt chart to aide the group in the project management aspect of senior d.</p> <p>Several options for thumbprint scanning software were discussed. The Verifinger software package seems to be the one of choice, although it may be a bit pricey. The preliminary hardware setup was decided as well. One of our laptops would act as the server, and would be connected via ethernet to the thumb-thing. The thumbthing would consist of a PDA with USB & Ethernet connectivity.</p> <p>The keypad may be redundant, as the PDA would have a touchscreen & a keypad could be programmed onto the PDA itself.</p> <p>As for actual scanners, several alternatives were researched.</p> <p>Next week we will begin our search for a sponsor, and begin to contact manufacturers about possible reduced prices. More research needs to be done on scanners.</p>

Weekly report is due to Senior Design Coordinator by Noon Monday