

Master Practical Course: Edge Computing and the Internet of Things

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Why are we here?



Learning by doing:

You can pass exams without ever learning anything; you cannot design and build a system without learning.

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Idea: Emulate a product/service development project.

From an idea to a documented prototype.

Using a variety of devices and technologies.

Note: We want to run this course in person.

Corona might limit what we can do.

Why are we here?



Key elements:

Team

People to work and learn with.

Equipment

Real devices to build with.

Goal

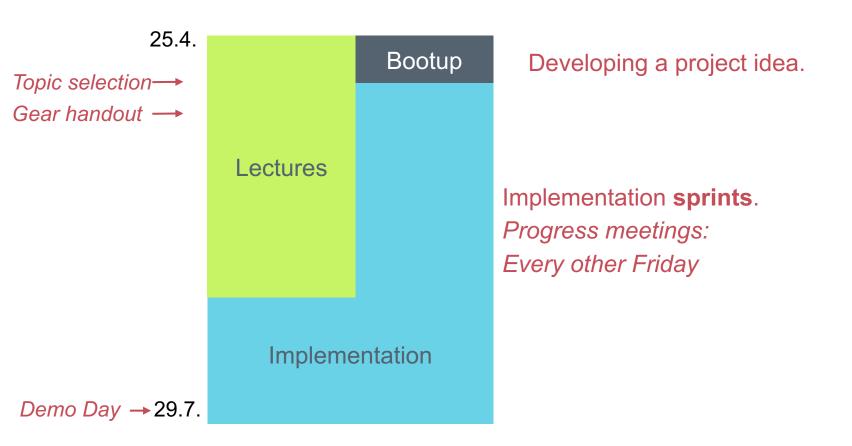
Clear goal and a structured path towards it.

Time

Full semester, lots of credits.

Course Structure





Rough Schedule



10 ECTS / 60 days = 10 ECTS * 25 h/ECTS / 60 days = ~4 h/working day

Lectures

Monday 16:00–18:00, Room 01.13.007

Covers technologies and approaches needed for successful projects.

Strong **SHOULD** attend (email the lecturer if you will miss a lecture).

Practical Sessions

Every other Friday 13:00–17:00, Room 01.13.007

Progress update for all teams + discussion.

Implementation

Continuously updating repository

Corona Concept



Teaching

Lectures and practical sessions are exclusively held in person in Garching

Team Work

Teams (3 students) are free to organize the implementation work in any way. All equipment can be taken away from campus and distributed between members. We do not provide physical working space (let us know if this is a problem).

General

We may need to adapt to changing rules and regulations during the course.

Please follow the latest guidance from TUM:

https://www.in.tum.de/en/current-students/coronavirus/

https://www.tum.de/corona

Preliminary Schedule: Practical Part



- Friday 29.4.2022: Team bootstrapping + exercise session, Equipment handout
- Friday 6.5.2022: Idea session
 - Initial idea presentation by each team (either a single idea or multiple alternatives)
- Friday 13.5.2022: Project idea presentations.
 - Describe project idea and plan for implementation.
- Friday 20.5.2022: Deadline for project plan document (by email, no session)
 - Max 3 pages, description of project idea, list of required equipment, use of equipment.
- Friday 3.6.2022: Sprint #1 presentation
 - 15-minute presentation per team.
 - What was the plan for the sprint, what was actually done, what is the plan for Sprint #2
- Friday 17.6.2022: Sprint #2 presentation
- Friday 24.6.2022: Interim Demos
 - Demonstrate the current prototype.
- Friday 08.7.2022: Sprint #3 presentation
- Friday 22.7.2022: Sprint #4 presentation
- Friday 29.7.2022: Final Demo + Presentation

This could still change!

Equipment



We provide a list of equipment available.

Range of consumer devices available today.

Each team will choose their needed equipment. Based on the project.

We will provide sets of equipment to the teams.

Within reason and availability.

Teams are responsible for the equipment.

You sign for it and return it after the course.



Equipment (tentative)



Computing

Raspberry Pi 3/4
Raspberry Pi Zero W
ESP32 microcontroller
ESP32 + LoRa
Android phones
Mini-PCs
NVIDIA Jetson

Communication etc.

RFID reader + bacon/card GPS receiver Software defined radio receiver 433 MHz simple link kit

Components

Breadboards
Connectors
Passive electronics
Active electronics

Sensors + Actuators

PIR motion sensor Ultrasonic distance sensor Temperature sensor Temperature + humidity sensor Volatile gas sensor Sound sensor Buzzer (active/passive) module Capacitive touch sensor LCD character display Relay switch Force sensing resistor Infrared line tracker Triple axis accelometer + gyro Capacitive touch switch Raspberry Pi camera Servo motor Stepper motor **RGB LED module** RG LED module Auto flash LED module

I2S microphone

Laser module Button module Tilt-switch module Mercury switch module IR receiver module Reed switch module Photo interrupter module Rain detector module Joystick module Potentiometer module Hall switch module Analog temperature module Thermistor module Sound sensor module Photoresistor module Flame sensor module IR remote controller Rotary encoder module IR distance module Pressure sensor module Real-time clock module Speakers **Shelly Plug**

Additional Resources



Basic electronics workstation

Soldering, lab power supply, oscilloscope, etc.

Basic 3D printing

Prusa i3 MK3, basic filaments

Limited resources

If you need them, email us for an appointment Subject to Corona limitations

What to do with the equipment?



Each individual piece has limited usefulness, but the pieces become valuable as a *networked system*.

Big providers build *centralized systems* to which every device connects,

but we want to build the system ourselves by having the *devices communicate directly*.

This is an *advanced* course; we expect you have learned a lot already. This is a chance to put it into action and fill the gaps. *Challenge yourself*, try something new and challenging.

(i.e., don't just run PHP+MySQL on a PC and connect to it with a phone's web browser, don't just connect everything to a cloud service, etc.)

Grading



Combination of a team and an individual grade.

The process is evaluated (25%).

Idea creation, implementation, presentations.

The end result is evaluated (50%).

Product (demo), documentation, quantitative evaluation.

Individual contributions are evaluated (25%).

Peer evaluation, practical meetings, repository activity, lecture attendance and contributions.

