EE/ CprE 491 – ssddec18-19 Weekly Report

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Group number: 19

Project Title: Design and Implementation of a small scale standalone Hybrid

Solar PV and Wind Energy Generation System

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Team Members/Role:

Christopher Goodrich: Circuit Design Lead

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Kenny Nguyen: Webmaster/Circuit Design Engineer

Damon Stubbs: Software Lead Andrew Wassenaar: Team Leader

Past Week Accomplishments:

- Order resistors needed for resistor bank and other components that were viewed as in usable. These includes relays, and added breakers to list of components needed to be ordered.
- Created, redesigned, and updated lab manuals. Continuation of updated lab manuals will be a weekly occurrence.
- ETG came in and added a grounding rail to the lab that allows us to ground components now.

Pending Issues:

- Material for resistor bank needs to be defined and order.
 - o Idea is to use either aluminum, tampered glass, or ceramic.
 - We can also use a combination of all the materials.
 - Length and width of the resistor bank needs to be feasible and also have enough space so that there's no interference between parts.
 - Current situation is pending on creating/buying an enclosure for resistor bank due to Matt, member of ETG, has been sick the past week and is fabricated a bench for our circuitry to sit on. Once the bench is completed and place in the lab room, the enclosure can be measured and bought and modified to fit all resistors.
- ETG is going to help add another conduit in the lab room, also will remodel the lab room by adding tables, a cabinet, for our current setup.

Individual Contributions:

Name	Individual Contribution	Hours this	Cumulative
		Bi-Week	Hours
Christopher Goodrich	The last couple weeks I have been sick and also	3	77
	have had a lot of work things come up. For our		
	project I have done research on our pcb design		
	for a buck/boost converter. I am also looking		
	into what is on the market for buck/boost		
	converters that would be sufficient substitutes		
	for our project. By the end of this week I hope		
	to be able to buy a buck/boost converter to		
	have ready to test with our circuit.		
Taylor Mullen	I have been working towards finishing labeling	4	54
	for the wires and identifying some components		
	to put into the schematic that I've started		
	within EAGLE. I'm going to continue to get a lot		
	of work done on the schematic within the next		
	couple weeks and to generate a box symbol to		
	represent components that don't have a		
	symbol in EAGLE.		
Kenny Nguyen	This week, I've been sick and continued to talk	5.5	67
	to ETG about enclosure to only find out that we		
	would have to wait until Matt is back to fully		
	understand what the bench looks like and		
	where we can play our resistor bank. Because		
	the resistor bank is fairly large, a large amount		
	of room is needed for it, approximately2ft by		
	2ft. The coming weeks, will order rest of parts,		
	help Chris with rewiring the circuitry and		
	constantly update website in order for it to be		
	presentable at the end of the semester.		

Damon Stubbs	I have been researching LabView and any	4	70.5
	possible implementations of it using Arduino. I		
	have found a few libraries that support the		
	Arduino and would make it possible to display		
	various features of our system live to all		
	students. However, some limitations exist on		
	the Arduino that must be researched. In the		
	future, I I look to test out LabView with the		
	Arduinos and to work on the code for the new		
	Arduinos to make sure they are compatible.		
Andrew Wassenaar	I have been working on updating and revising	8	74
	the lab document. One of the final deliverables		
	for our project is a detailed lab document so		
	that students can walk through the experiment		
	step by step and finish in the 3-hour allotted		
	time. So far, I have completely redone the first		
	2 parts of the lab (of which there will be 5		
	total). These are the simulation experiments.		
	In the coming weeks I will update the hardware		
	experiments and include pictures as we		
	complete our project.		

Plans for coming 2 Weeks:

- Create schematic for overall project, with components and how they function with one another.
- Start revising lab documents and doing parts of the labs that can be done with the current set up.
- After figuring out material used to create resistor bank, create resistor bank.
- Find out situation of fabrication of bench for lab from Matt, and order remaining parts to create resistor bank.

- Need to order clips and a rack that can fit each resistor in so that we can easily place them in our enclosure.
- Continue rewiring and fixing up wiring in the circuitry and making sure the system is safe for use.