

Minutes of Review Meeting 2

Project Lima

12th February 2003 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Attendance: Dr Ross Anderson, Matt, Phil, Raj, Jonathan, Janet
Apologies from: David, Tara – unable to attend due to serious illnesses

Presentation:

- Presented Management Report of Phase 2 to Dr Anderson.
- 33 Man-hours consumed to date.
- Gantt charts and timeline are now employed in time and tasks management.
- Website is up and running, although thorough proof-reading and optimisation is required.

Notable problems encountered:

- Unforeseen illnesses of two group members, both responsible for system testing – however some test results on distribution are delivered on time.
- Gaussian Elimination method should ideally be optimised – Matt has found it extremely time consuming to research on a more effective Gaussian Elimination method.
- Unreliable operating systems and PWF file spaces – this is beyond our control, we can only bear this in mind when working.

Feedback, suggestions and discussions:

0.1 Budget

Half of our time budget has been spent. We must be aware of and stick to the time budget allocated for project work. However it is felt that collectively we have worked effectively and have made impressive progress in programming, distribution, organisation and management.

0.2 Consulting an expert

- Contact Paul Layland for expert advice on:

0.3 Project Presentation

- Handouts such as an user manual for faculty memebbers.
- Possible topic for presentation: PGP keys.
- Bear in mind the short time allocated for group presentation. It is not advisable to convey too much information all too briefly.
- Bear in mind how we want to 'sell' our 'product'. Think of marketing strategies.
- This project can be extended into a free software which invites others to contribute. Users can participate via a downloadable applet.

Proposal for next phase:

- GUI design – although we are aware not to introduce unnecessary feature creeps, which will use up budget and add processor overheads.
- Presentation preparation.
- User Manual.