Student Software Engineering Projects for the Maemo Platform at Petrozavodsk State University: State-of-the-Art and Perspective

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Roadmap

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Why IT and SE at PetrSU?

Geoeconomical factors

- Karelia is close to Europe Union as well as to St.-Petersburg and Moscow
- International collaboration in industry, education and research
- Karelia and its neighbors need specialists in IT, including software engineers



from The Official Site of the Administrative Bodies, Republic of Karelia, http://www.gov.karelia.ru/

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PetrSU mission

- The key institution at European North of Russia for "forging" such specialists: Innovations and IT park approach
- Active research and development in IT allow focusing on intellectual software (Mathematics, Algorithmics, System analysis)
- ACM programming contests and other competitions in IT



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Finnish—Russian Cooperation

University of Helsinki (Department of Computer Science): since 1993

- Annual Finnish Data Processing Week at PetrSU (FDPW): 1997
- Advances in Methods of Information and Communication Technology (AMICT): 2006 (this year, 19.-20.5, welcome!)
- Common Core of Working Study Program: 2001
- Joint student SE projects
- Double diploma

Finnish Universities and Institutions

- FDPW and AMICT seminars
- Finnish—Russian Cross Border University (CBU): 2004
- Guest lecture courses
- Helsinki Institute for Information Technology (HIIT): 2005, joint research in networking





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Software Engineering Education

Basic educational lines at Faculty of Mathematics

- Applied Mathematics and Computer Science (1993)
- Information Systems (2001)

Curriculum

- Specialist (5 years), Bachelor+Master (4+2 years)
- ACM Computing Curricula (1991, 2001, 2005)
- University of Helsinki: Common Core of Working Study Program (since 2001)

Student team projects: Initial (2003-2004)

- Scientific-centric project Web-SynDic, http://websyndic.cs.karelia.ru/
- Joint project DaCoPan (with University of Helsinki), http://dacopan.cs.karelia.ru/





Basic Scheme

Introduction: at school, then 1st&2nd year students

- Linux environment
- SE elements in basic IT courses
- Specialization areas and optional courses
- PetrSU Programmer Club

Basics: 3rd year students

- Mandatory course Software Engineering
- Autumn semester: theory + miniprojects
- Spring semester: team projects close to real life

Opening a door to real-life projects: BSc, Diploma and MSc thesis

- Participation in research (PetrSU Departments)
- Regional Center of Information Technology (Natalia Ruzanova)
- PetrSU IT Park (Anatoly Voronin, Anton Shabaev)

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Student SE Project Organization

Teams of 4-6 developers

- Rules of the play
- Manager
- 8–10 (wo)man-hours per week, 15 weeks

Customer

- Faculty, IT park, Industry
- Software requirements
- Attestation

Instructor

- Balancing: education and product
- Progress monitoring, advising and controlling
- Grading



Групповой проект по технологии производства программного обеспечения

Назначение документа: Процедура сдачи зачета.

Разработан:

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2005/06 учебный год (весенний семестр, лабораторные).

Общие критерии получения зачета

 А) команда студентов-разработчиков должна показать, что она удовлетворила следующим критериям командной работы.

- Полноценный набор разработанной документации (оценивается ежене дельно инструктором в журнале выполнения проекта, предоставляется куратору за 1 неделю до зачета).
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- Регулярность работ по проекту в течение всего периода разработки (оденивается еженедельно инструктором в журнале выполнения проекта).
- Удовлетворительное внешнее взаимодействие команды в ходе всего проекта (оценивается еженедельно инструктором в журнале выполнения проекта).
- Удовлетворительное внутреннее взаимодействие команды в ходе всего проекта (оценивается еженедельно инструктором в журнале выполнения проекта).
- Удовлетворительные процедуры обеспечения качества в ходе всего проекта (оценивается сженедельно инструктором в журнале выполнения проекта).

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Nokia—PetrSU Collaboration

The idea appeared in 2007-2008 (Sergey Balandin,

Anatoly Voronin, Anton Shabaev)

Expert areas for PetrSU

- Maemo programming
- Symbian programming



Goals

- Modern technologies to Russian education, research and industry
- Regular training of students (Faculty and CS Dept.)
- A team of qualified developers and experts (PetrSU IT park)
- Center of Mobile and Wireless Technologies (as a department of the PetrSU IT park)

Russian Maemo Community

http://maemo.cs.karelia.ru

- The All-Russian forum for Maemo developers
- Ideas, experience and software from everyone
- Study materials
- SE Project support

Training

- Summer School, Aug.2008
- Winter School, Feb.2009
- Maemo Training at FRUCT, Apr.2009

SE projects: Aug. 2008 - Feb. 2009

- In total: 23 initial student projects
- To the Maemo Garage: 3 projects











Ongoing Maemo SE Projects

Spring semester 2008/09: Feb.–May 2009

- Porting WidSets to the Maemo Platform
- A Client for Social Network Services with Cross-Profile Features
- Distributed blogs for the Maemo Platform
- A Personal Organizer in the Internet event space
- A Maemo Mobile Trade Client for Business Systems



Features (compared with regular student SE projects)

Phases

- This semester: producing a demo prototype
- Summer 2009: Experimenting
- Autumn 2009: Publishing the code in the Maemo garage

Organization

- Instructor integrates some manager functions
- Mixed teams: 1st 6th year students
- 16–18 (wo)man-hours per week (8–10 for regular projects)
- Personal study plans for 3rd year students
- Regular all-project seminars (Saturdays)

Modifications to the Curriculum

Semester	Course	
	First year	
1	Introduction to C programming	
	Introduction to Shell	
2	C++ and Data Structures	
	IA-32 Architecture with GAS Assembler Elements	
	User Interface Design with GTK/Qt	
	Second year	
3	Computer Networks	
	UNIX Programming	
	Introduction to Java Programming	
4	Operating Systems	
	Basics of Internet Tablet Programming	
	Third year	
5	Software Engineering	
	Basics of Symbian Programming	
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Future ...

- Maemo technology to the educational courses
- SE projects for the Maemo platform
- Smart spaces



from Ian Oliver's presentation Towards the Dynamic Semantic Web





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