# Cycle Bright Solutions

\*\*Always be Seen\*\*





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Cycle Bright Solution.

# Outline

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Safety
Portability

✓ Usability



## Background

Cyclists were involved in 1400 incidents over the last 5 years with 100% injury rate [1]

 Miscommunication between cyclists and road users is the main reason for these incidents [2]





## **Motivations**

- Adopt a solution to decrease the number of accidents between cyclists and other road users
- Ensure a higher visibility of the cyclists in all weather conditions
- Follow the conventional patterns and colors of signalling used by cars and motorcycles





Needs extra wiring and can be easily confused with the reflecting lights



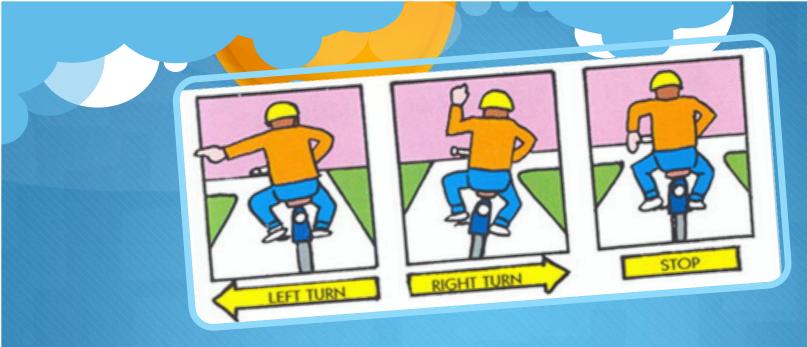
 Not highly visible and requires wearing gloves



A Jacket needs to be worn all 4 seasons

## **Existing Solutions**



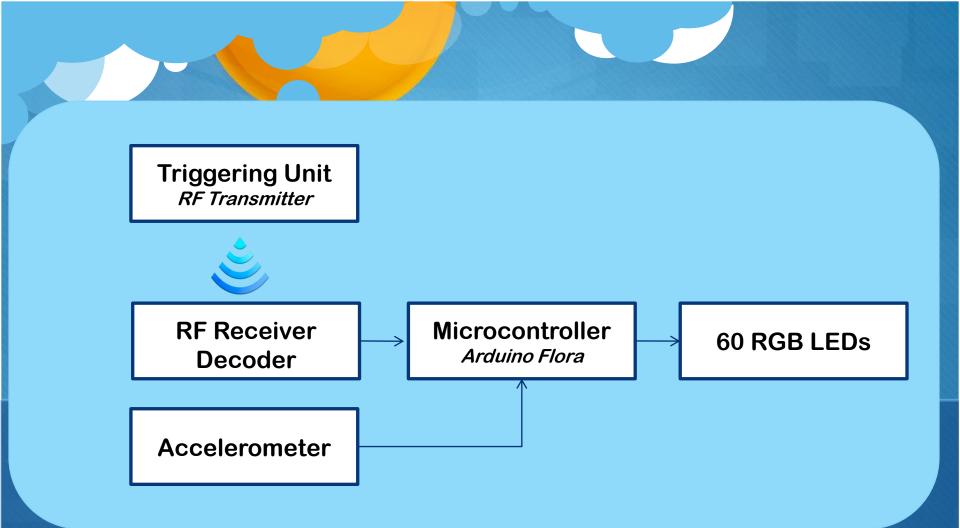


## Motivations (cont'd)

- ✓ In British Columbia, wearing a helmet is required by law
- It is safer to keep both hands on the handle to keep a straight line







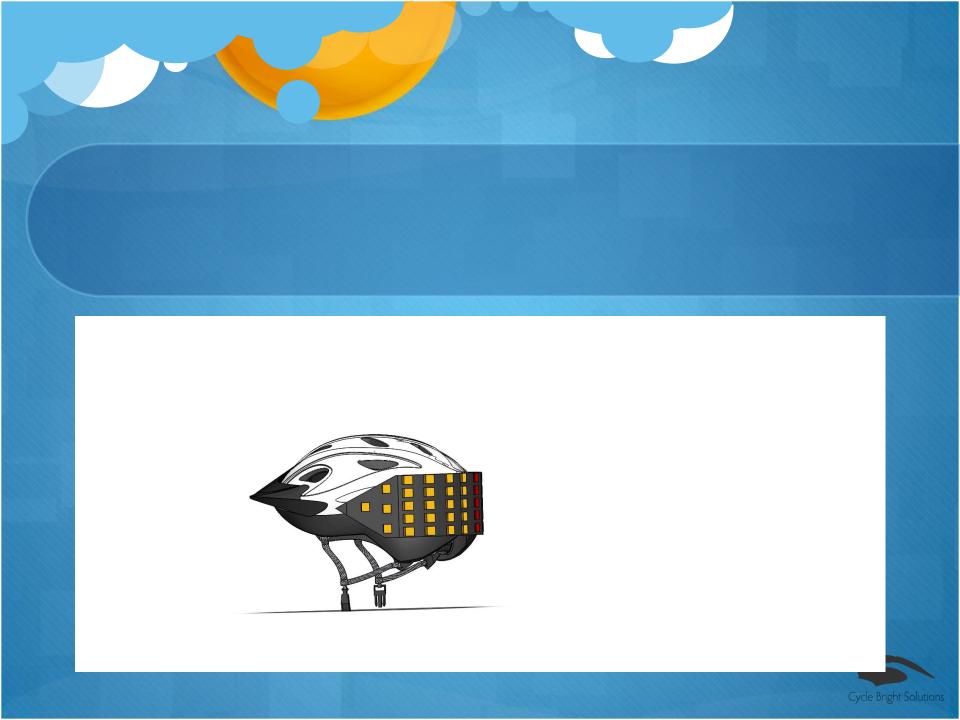
## **System Overview**



## **Main Features**

- ✓ Speaks the language of cars for turn signals
- O Bright LEDs for visibility in all weather conditions
- ⊘ Extra Safety features:
  - O Notify other road users of sudden brakes
  - O Alert falling movements through hazardous signals
- ✓ Rechargeable via USB connection
- Two brightness levels: standard and energy saving modes



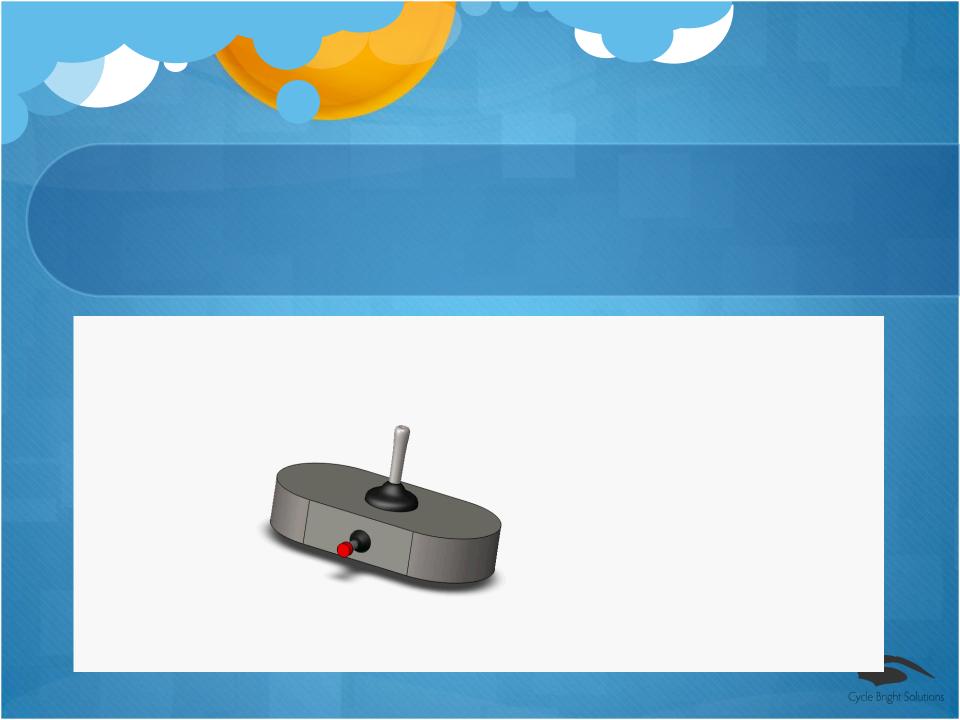


# **Triggering Unit**

✓ User Interface with the system

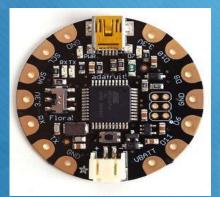
- ✓ Provides a separate button to turn signals off
- O Prevents confusion
- Portable, small, and lightweight





# **Control Unit**

O Accelerometer -----> Protection mechanism







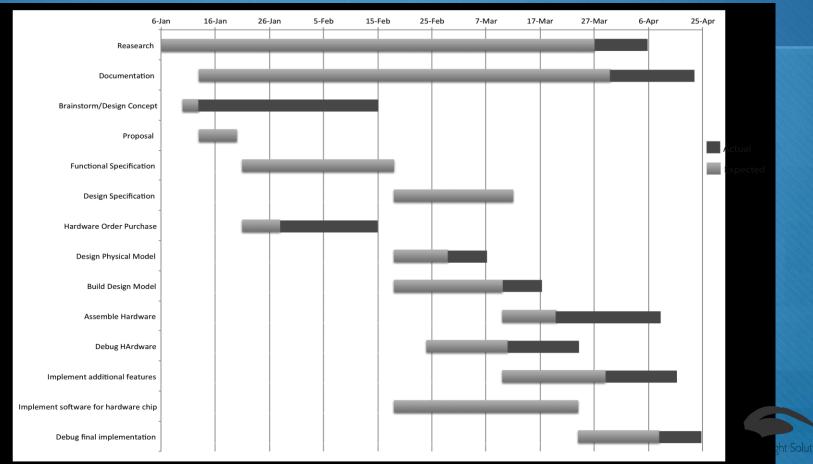


# **LED** Unit

 60 bright RGB LEDs That offers an extended visibility and a wider angle



## Schedule



# Budget

 The ISSEF fund run by ESSS was our only source and we got \$350. The details are summarized in following table:

Component	Projected cost (Canadian \$)	Actual cost (Canadian \$)
Helmet	100	35
Microcontroller	120 (for 2)	30 (for 1)
Bluetooth	60 (for 2)	N/A
RF transmitter receiver	N/A	20
LED Strips	85	40
Microphone/Speaker	N/A	30
Miscellaneous	200	170
Tax + shipping	124	100
Total	689	425

## **Business case**

#### ⊘ Market:

- O Casual cyclists in North America
- O The helmet can be also used for other users such as: Skate board, Scooter, and Rollerblades

#### O Competition:

O There is no similar product to the Smart Helmet available on the market <sup>(2)</sup>



## **Business case**

Estimated cost for mass production is shown in the table below:Note: mass production prices are estimated from Alibaba.com

Subsystems	Estimated
Helmet with LEDs & Bluetooth	\$20 / unit
PCB printing and assembly	\$10 /unit
→Total	\$30 / unit
Mass production outsourced to China	10.000 unit/year
Production cost	\$300.000 /year
Admissive cost	\$10000 / year
Final cost	<b>→</b> \$310.000



## **Business case**

#### Financing options could be Shark Tank & Dragons' Den TV shows

Cost	\$310.000
Projected price	\$1.000.000
Projected revenue	\$690.000

## Major changes to original design

- O Added energy saving mode
- O Support of USB charging
- Didn't integrated Bluetooth headset for weight purposes



## Future addition & limitations:

✓ Improve the braking algorithm

 Acquiring a smaller and lighter Bluetooth headset

Improved packing

O Print the PCB design





## **PCB** design





# Learning outcome

- O Project Management
- O Arduino coding and development
- ⊘ Eagle PCB design
- Interfacing with different modules (ie. Accelerometer, RF Trigger)
- O Scheduling and timelines
- O Remediate from problems
- O Importance of team work & collaboration



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# Questions?????