

# SEKEYRITY

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# PROBLEM DEFINITION

- **IDENTIFIED PROBLEM:** Accessing NEEC (Núcleo de Estudantes de Engenharia Eletrotécnica e de Computadores) rooms in the North Tower requires manual key management.
  - **CURRENT PROCESS:** Users request keys from the security guard at the tower's reception. The guard manually checks a list and records key transactions, leading to inefficiencies and discrepancies.
  - **INCONVENIENCE:** Variability exists among guards regarding key return policies, causing confusion and inconvenience for users. Forgotten key returns result in issues for both users and security staff.
  - **WIDESPREAD ISSUE:** Similar challenges exist in accessing other rooms, affecting students, teachers, and staff.
  - **AUTOMATION OPPORTUNITY:** Automating key and access management processes would standardize and streamline operations.
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# SOLUTION BENEFICIARIES

*Implementing an automated key and access management system would provide tangible benefits to multiple beneficiaries.*



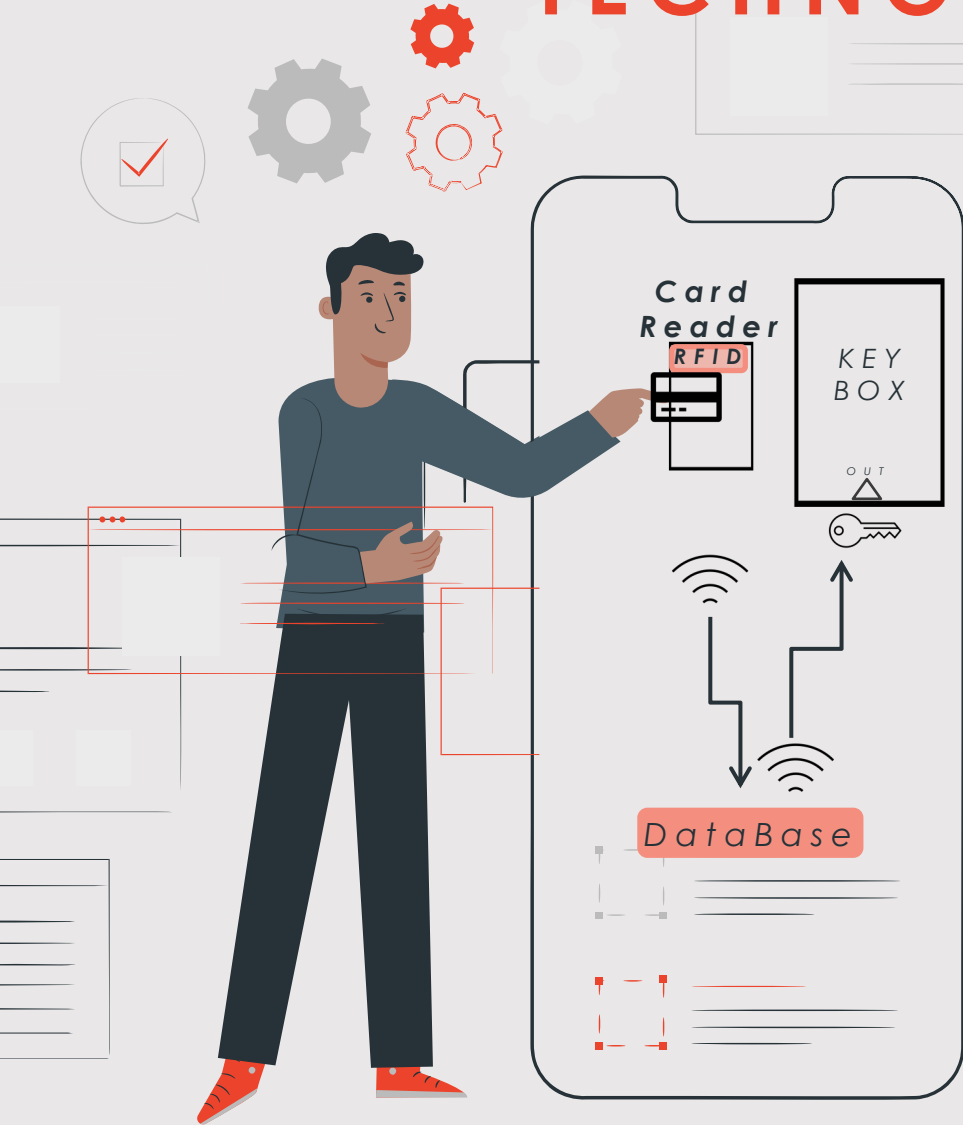
**STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND STAFF** would experience streamlined access processes, reducing administrative burdens and improving efficiency.



**SECURITY PERSONNEL** would benefit from enhanced monitoring capabilities, gaining better control over access permissions, optimizing institutional operations.

*The automation would lead to a more secure, efficient, and technologically advanced solution for all.*

# TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTION



**SeKEYrity** - a card reader system that operates by accessing a centralized database that contains information about access privileges for each user.

- 1) When a **user interacts with the card reader**, they swipe their card, which is associated with their profile in the database.
- 2) After scanning the card using **RFID technology**, the card reader **communicates with the database in real-time** to verify the user's identity and access permissions.
- 3) If the database indicates that the **user is granted access** to the selected room or area, the card reader immediately authorizes entry and activates the release mechanism for the corresponding key.
- 4) Conversely, if the database indicates that the **user does not have the necessary access privileges**, the card reader denies entry and prevents the key from being released.

In summary, the card reader system relies on a secure and up-to-date database to determine whether a user is granted access or not, ensuring that only authorized individuals can enter designated areas.

# COMPETITORS AND PREVIOUS WORK

- **Smart Lock**

In the domain of access control and management solutions, one prevalent alternative in the market are smart locks, offered by established entities such as **iLockey**, **Allegion Plc**, and **Onity, Inc.**

An intriguing metric to evaluate our solution's competitiveness against these alternatives is its **cost-effectiveness** in relation to the required number of doors or keys.





# SOLUTION REQUIREMENTS

The solution requirements for SeKEYrity encompass several crucial aspects to tackle the identified challenges in key and access management.



- **Functionality-wise**: accurate real-time user identity verification and access privilege confirmation



- **Seamless integration** with key dispensation infrastructure

- **Optimal performance** with minimal downtime and fast response times

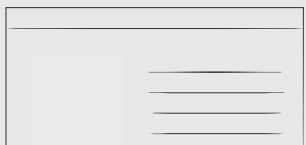
- **Intuitive interface** for both users and administrators

- **Robust security** measures to prevent unauthorized access



- **Compatibility** with existing systems, particularly physical keys

- **Scalability** to accommodate future expansions





# TECHNICAL CHALLENGES

The SeKEYrity project encounters several technical challenges that demand innovative solutions.

- **ESTABLISH A ROBUST AND ACCESSIBLE DATABASE:**

- Efficient handling of real-time data updates
- Ensuring data integrity and accurate access validation
- Accessibility for quick information retrieval
- Adaptability to accommodate changes in access permissions

- **COMPACTING THE ENTIRE SYSTEM:**

- Optimizing hardware and software components
- Reducing physical space requirements
- Maintaining or improving functionality and performance
- Streamlining code to minimize resource usage

- **DESIGNING A COMPACT AND PRACTICAL KEY HOLDER:**

- Creating a small yet durable key holder
- Effective dispensation of keys to authorized users
- Accurate identification and storage of keys upon return

# TESTING AND VALIDATION METRICS

Testing and validation metrics serve as essential benchmarks to evaluate the performance and quality of the SeKEYrity system throughout its testing and validation phases.

- **USER INPUT ACCURACY**

- Accurate interpretation of desired key numbers entered on the keyboard



- **CARD READER FUNCTIONALITY:**

- Effective reading of user cards
- Matching cards with registered profiles
- Prompting registration for unregistered users
- Verifying access privileges for registered users



- **REAL-TIME COMMUNICATION:**

- Swift access and updating of information in the database



- **CLEAR ON-SCREEN FEEDBACK:**

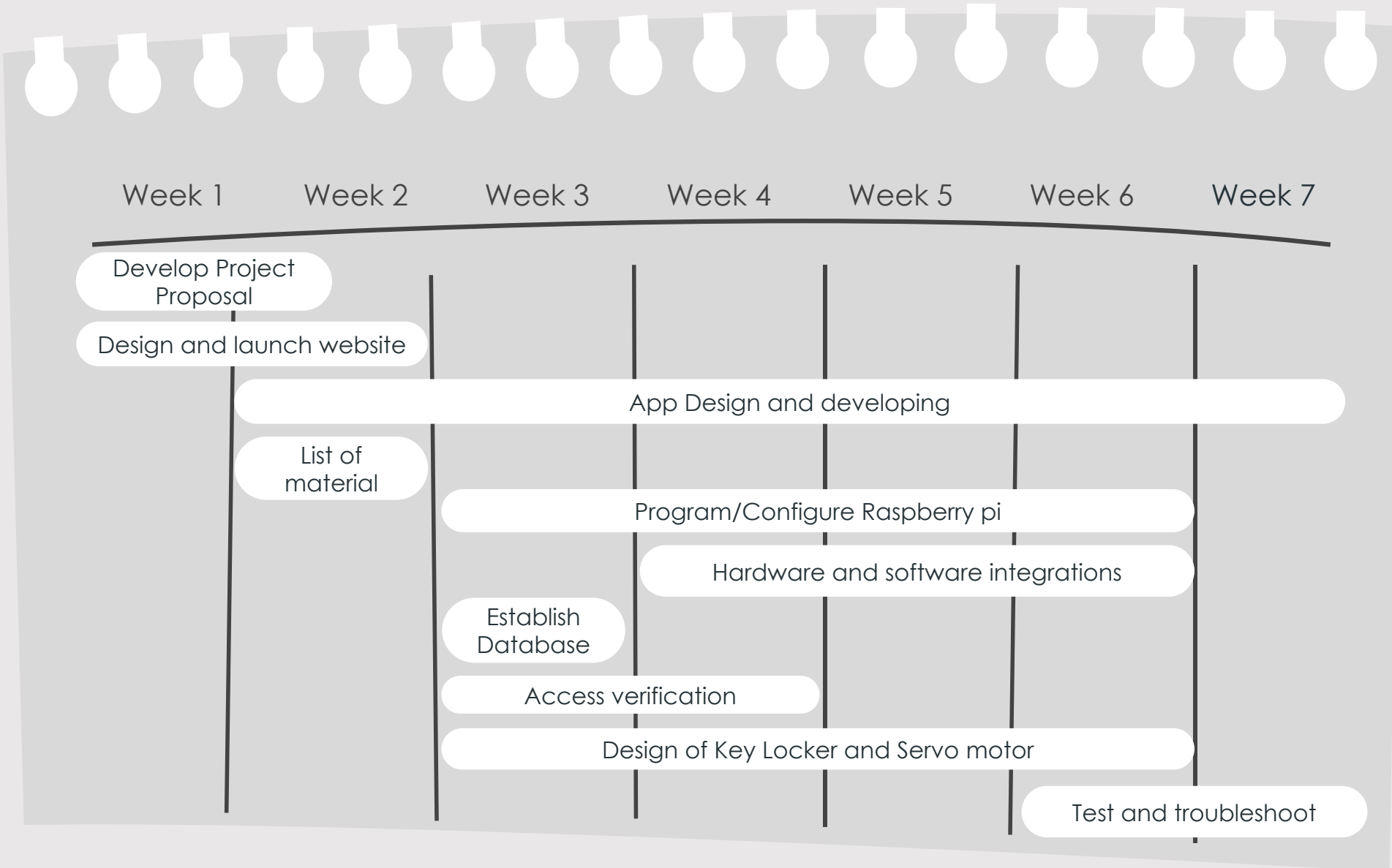
- Providing clear feedback on access status



- **DISPENSING MECHANISM RELIABILITY:**

- Reliable delivery of keys to authorized users

# ORIGINAL SCHEDULE

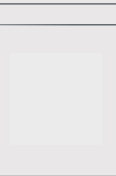
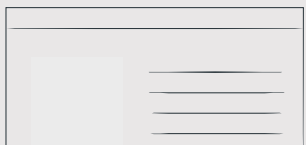




# MID-PROGRAM STATUS

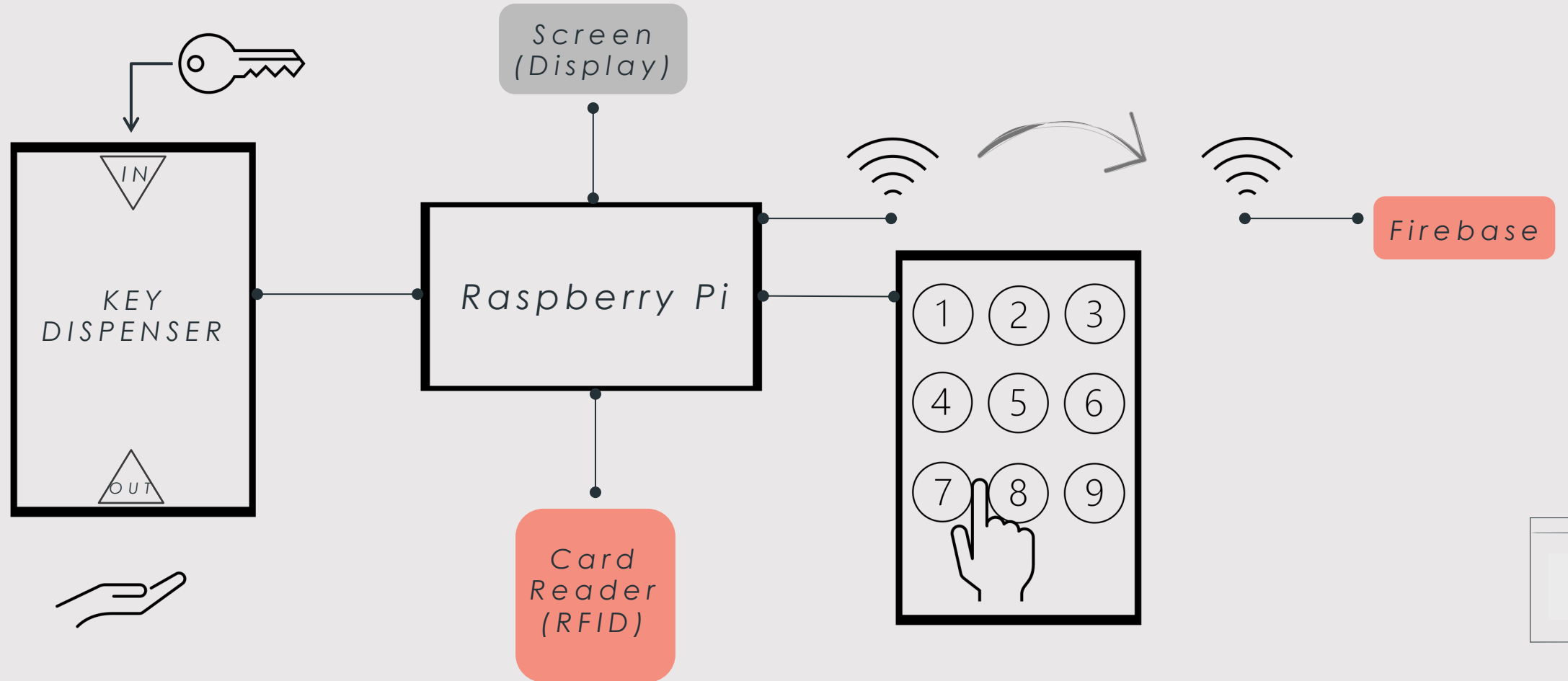
Since the project's inception, we have:

- **Transitioned our focus** from warehouse stock management to addressing manual key and access management issues at Técnico's North Tower. This shift was prompted by a thorough evaluation of our initial concept and feedback from our advisor, revealing the impracticality of our original idea due to RFID limitations and time constraints. As a result, we redirected our efforts towards implementing an automated key and access management system called SeKEYrity.
- **Established the system's operation and structure:** users input a key number on a keyboard, scan their card, and the reader verifies access privileges in the database. If granted, the key is provided; otherwise, a message is displayed.
- **Made significant progress** by crafting initial versions of crucial components vital to our system's functionality. These include the **development of preliminary versions of the database, keyboard interface, and key storage box.**



# MID-PROGRAM STATUS

## SYSTEM'S OPERATION AND STRUCTURE



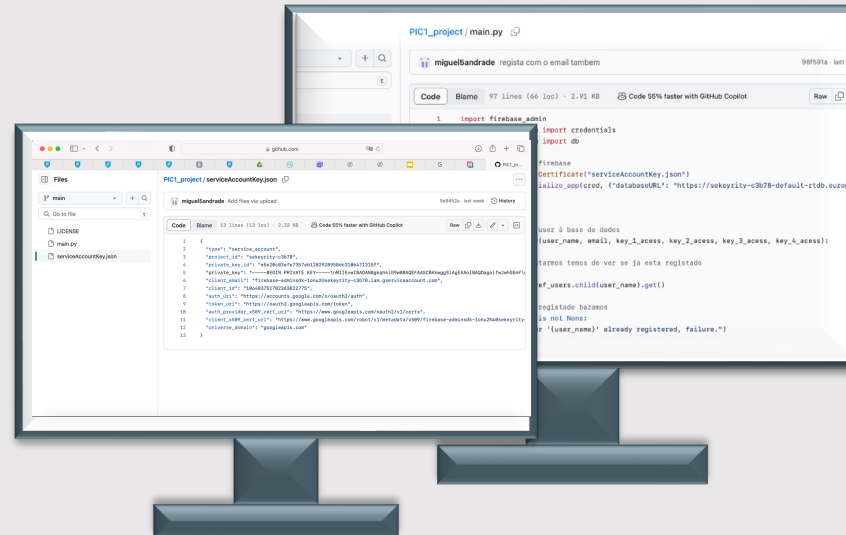
# ACHIEVED RESULTS (1/3)



## APP DESIGN

Developed initial iterations of the application, particularly tailored for key reservation purposes.

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## WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT

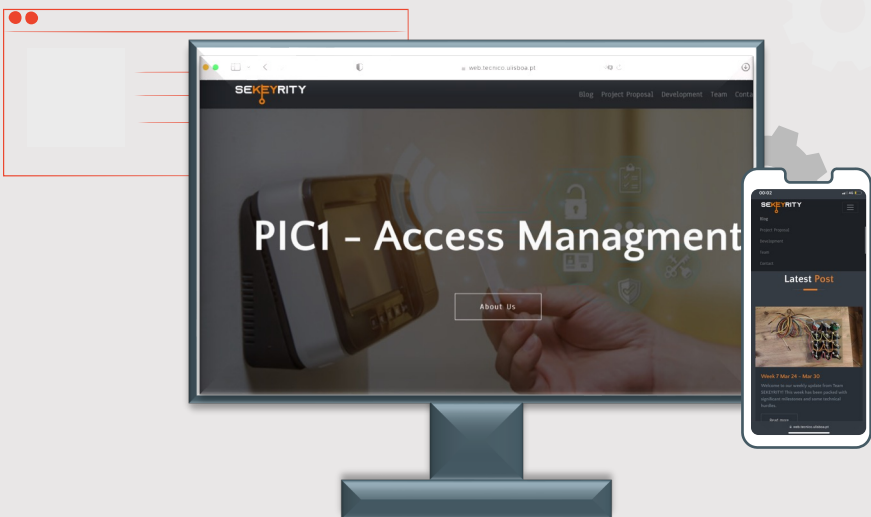
Designed and launched a public website to centralize project information, encompassing our project proposal and weekly blog updates

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## DATA BASE

Established preliminary versions of the database where users are registered and their permissions are recorded.

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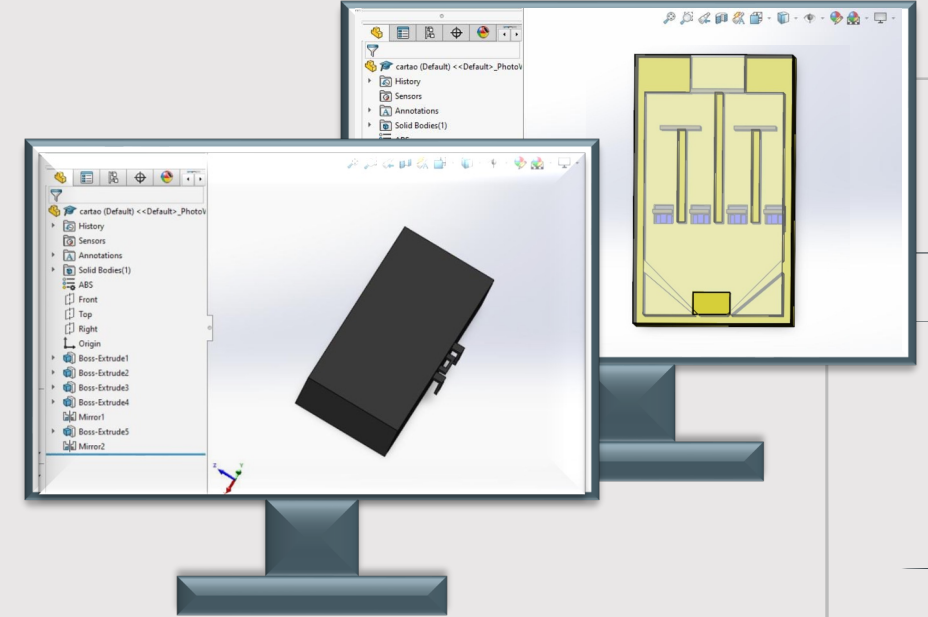
# ACHIEVED RESULTS (2/3)

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1 def verify_access(user_name, key_id):
2     # Check if the user exists in the database
3     user_data = ref_users.child(user_name).get()
4     if user_data is None:
5         print("User '{user_name}' not found.")
6         return False
7
8     # Check if the key ID exists for the user
9     if key_id not in user_data:
10        print("Key ID '{key_id}' not found for user '{user_name}'.")
11        return False
12
13    # Retrieve the access value for the key ID
14    access_value = user_data[key_id]
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16    # Return True if the user has access, False otherwise
17    return access_value
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## ACCESS VERIFICATION

Implemented database functionalities to verify user access privileges for the specified key.

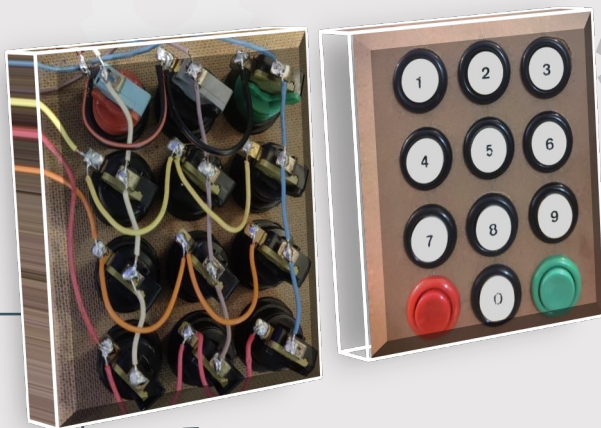
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## 3D MODELING

Creation of 3D models for the key locker structure

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## KEYBOARD

Developed initial prototypes of the keyboard and showcased its functionality in accurately receiving user input for key numbers.

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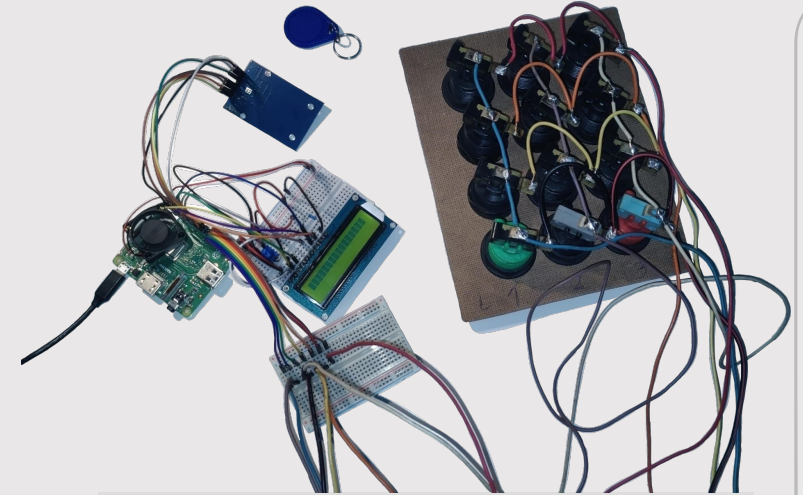
# ACHIEVED RESULTS (3/3)



## RASPBERRYPI

Boot, configuration and packages installation of raspberry pi

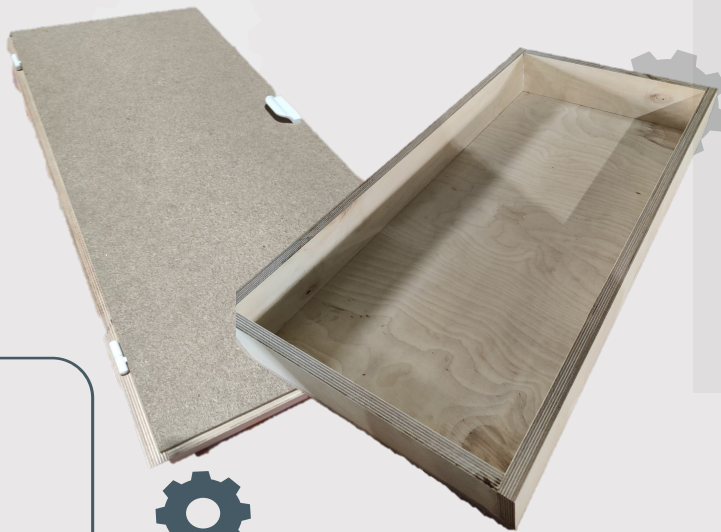
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## HARDWARE TEST

Hardware testing with the Raspberry Pi and initiation of final code development.

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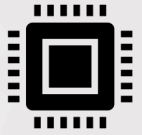
## DISPENSER BOX

Building of a wooden box to house all electronic components and for the key dispenser.

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# CHALLENGES FACED BY THE TEAM



- **RASPBERRY PI PROGRAMMING:** Challenges arose due to the team's lack of experience and compatibility issues with hardware, leading them to ultimately opt for utilizing a previously used Raspberry Pi model as a workaround.



- **KEY STORAGE SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION:** Designing a reliable key identification and storage system demanded thorough planning and testing to ensure its effectiveness.



- **MATERIAL CONSTRAINTS:** Inadequate materials and delayed specifications led to delayed requisition and unsuitable hardware, impeding project execution.

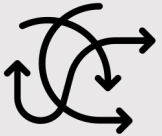


- **TIME MANAGEMENT:** Underestimating the complexity of certain tasks, compounded by conflicts in group members' schedules, posed challenges in allocating adequate time to this project, resulting in delays in its progress.

# DEVIATIONS FROM ORIGINAL SCHEDULE



- **Delayed Project Specification:** The project's delayed specification and unclear objectives led to ambiguity, hindering the prompt definition of tasks and resource allocation.



- **Unpreparedness for Technical Challenges:** The team encountered unforeseen technical challenges, including package incompatibility within Raspberry Pi and inadequate materials.



- **Personal Commitments and Workload:** Team members' personal commitments and workload from other academic obligations strained project timelines, resulting in inconsistent progress and delayed completion.

# DIVISION OF LABOR AND CONTRIBUTION OF EACH TEAM MEMBER (1/2)

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## *Website and Communication*

## *Data Base and User Interface*

## *Hardware*

Project Proposal

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Project Proposal

Website Design and Maintenance

Research Data Base options

Configuration of Raspberry Pi

Weekly Blog Updates

Development of Data Base

Development of keyboard

Data Base - User Access Verification

Interface between Hardware and Software

Establish hardware components connection

Mid-program Pitch Deck

# DIVISION OF LABOR AND CONTRIBUTION OF EACH TEAM MEMBER (2/2)

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*App and Design*

*Servo Motor Modelation*

*3D Modelation*

Project Proposal

Website Creation

Key Locker Design

App development

Website Maintenance

Key Locker 3D Modelation

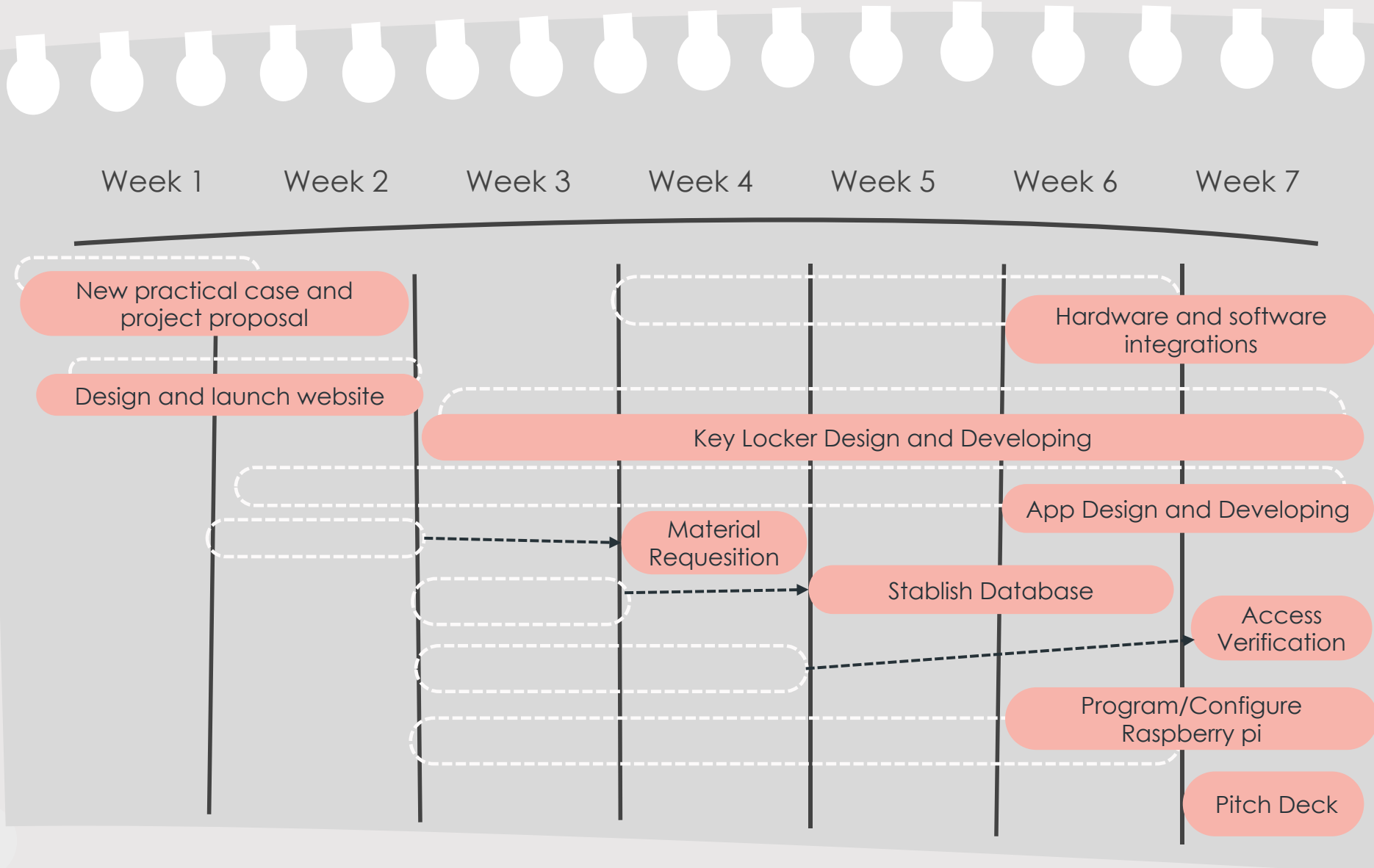
Logo Design

Servo motor movement Modelation

Key Locker Prototype Structure

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# CORRECTED SCHEDULE



ORIGINAL SCHEDULE

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# PREDICTED SCHEDULE

