

Minutes of February 22nd 2014 Meeting at FIT.

Attendees:

Engineering team: Jean-Paul Pinelli (JPP), Kurt Gurley (KG), Mohammad Baradaranshoraka (MB), Tim Johnson (TJ), Johann Weekes (JW), Xinlai Peng (XP)
Computer team: Raul Garcia (RG), Diana Machado (DM),

The meeting started at 11:00 AM.

Apache Subversion

From 11 AM to 3 PM the computer team gave a tutorial on the use of Apache Subversion management software (svn). First they provided a PowerPoint Presentation (copied to each attendee), which was followed by a hands-on practice. The seminar, demo and discussion were extremely useful for the engineering team, and help clarify any misconception.

Some of the highlights include:

- A better understanding of what the svn is and is not. In particular it is clear that the svn should not be a repository of static documentation like papers, thesis, and dissertations. The ftp site or other venues are better suited for that purposes.
- The structure of the engineering team svn directory needs to be reformulated for both the private and common areas. In particular, the directory should be organized by project, i.e. PR, LR, and MHR
- The trunk and branches subdirectories are better suited for the private space, while the tags subdirectories are better suited for the common space.
- Each team member could have his own private space mirroring his laptop
- We should avoid using space in the names of the directories and subdirectories and files.
- JPP strongly urges the members of the engineering team to use the svn as a matter of fact, on a daily basis when programming and updating flow charts. This seems the only way to make full use of the capabilities of the system, and will ensure continuity and secure backup.