The Halo Collar – Wireless Leash project is aimed at creating a wireless leash that allows users to keep their dogs within a certain distance during a walk. The project focused on research and data collection for different hardware found within the collar, the hardware included: Bluetooth, GPS, and accelerometer.

For all the listed hardware, the team was responsible for finding the most accurate one and alternatives if the most accurate one became unreliable or unavailable. Using a combination of these three would allow the application to ascertain the distance with reasonable accuracy between the user and the dog. We would develop an algorithm that is able to satisfy this goal.

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### Architecture

**Android and iOS Applications**

• SensorLog
• Accelerometer Analyzer
• Halo Collar
• NRF Connect

**Backend and Database**

• RealTerm - Microsoft
• CoolTerm - MacOS
• Microsoft Excel

### Impact

The purpose of this project was to find the most accurate method in finding distance between the company’s product (Halo Collar) and the user’s phone (Android or iOS). From data collection and analysis, we have concluded that the best method for distance measurement that is less than 3 feet is by using Bluetooth and the best method for distance measurement that is further than 3 feet is via GPS. With this information, we hope to save the company time and resources in data collection and analysis.

### Results

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**GPS**

**Bluetooth**

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