

IPRO 315

Improving user experiences with Mobile Devices
and Intercoms: Optimizing audio quality & energy
efficiency

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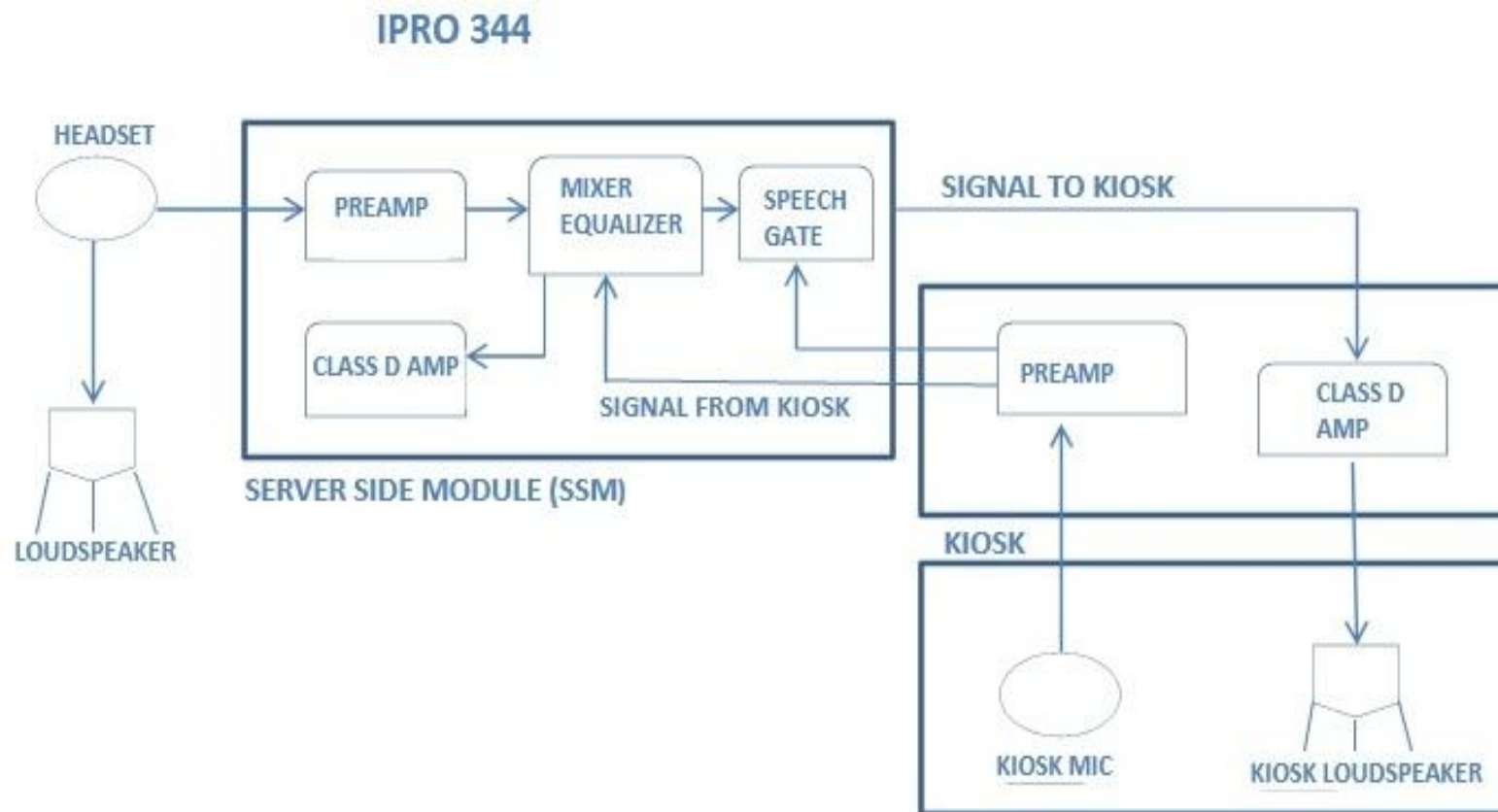
The Problem

Drive through order miscommunication costs the fast food restaurant industry both time and money



The History of IPRO 344, iFidelity

- Constructed and improved kiosk and audio electronics system (class D amplifier)
- Extensive testing for ideal microphone type (cardioid), pre-amplification, and position
- Hardware encasement and physical interface
- Goal achieved: an increased probability of a correct order
- System left open for upgrades in future IPROs

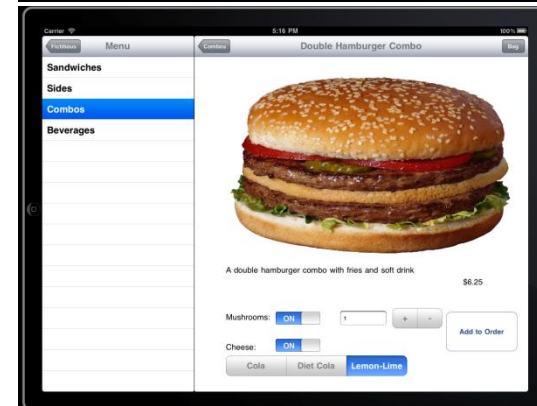
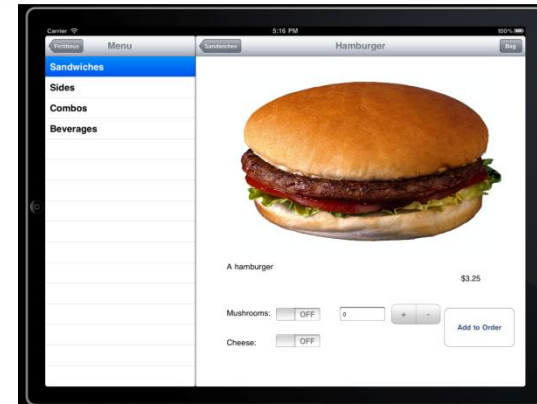
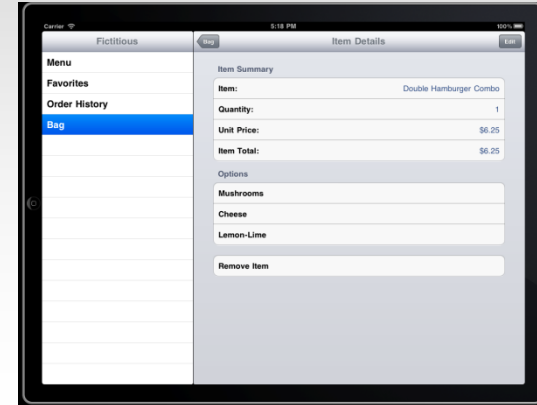


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Voiceless

- Utilizes a mobile device application
- Removes a degree of human error from the order-taking process
- Speeds up the order-taking process by allowing preset menu choices and eliminating the server/customer dialogue
- Perfect for hearing-impaired drivers



Voiceless: Problems

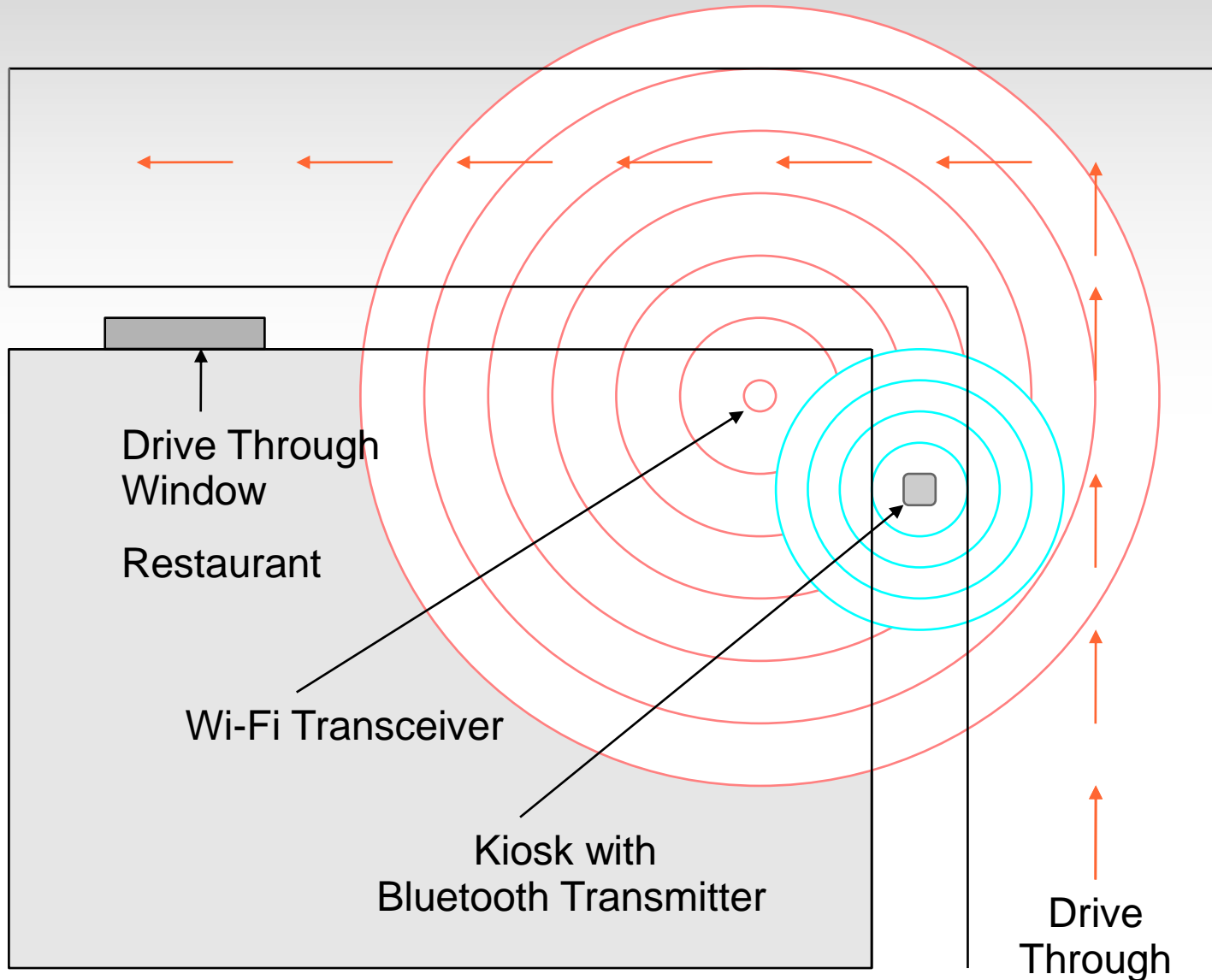


- Preventing ordering while driving
- First In, First Out Queue
- Simple and affordable database

Voiceless: Solutions

- Using kiosk as a synchronization point
 - Bluetooth proximity sensor
 - Proximity limit controls location of ordering
- Proximity limit controls queuing order
- Leverages Amazon Web Services
 - Low cost, high scalability, reliable database

Voiceless: Layout



Voiceless: Future IPROs

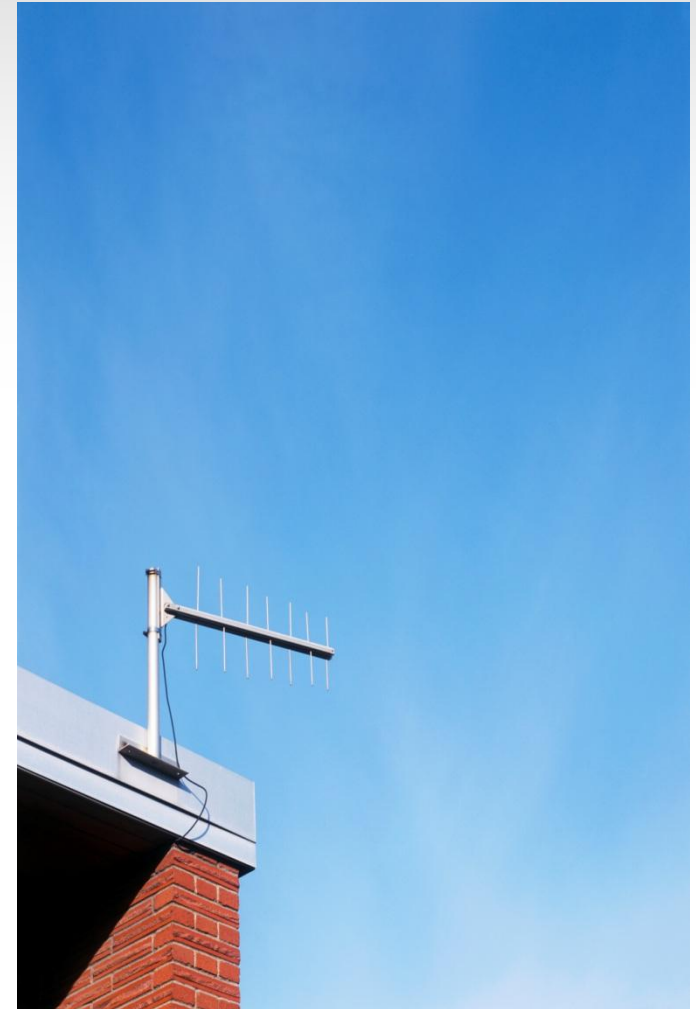
- Additional platforms (Android, etc)
- Automatic Bluetooth range adjustment system
- Point-of-sale system integration
- Remote menu updates/multi-restaurant support
- In App payment

Voiceless: Ethical Considerations

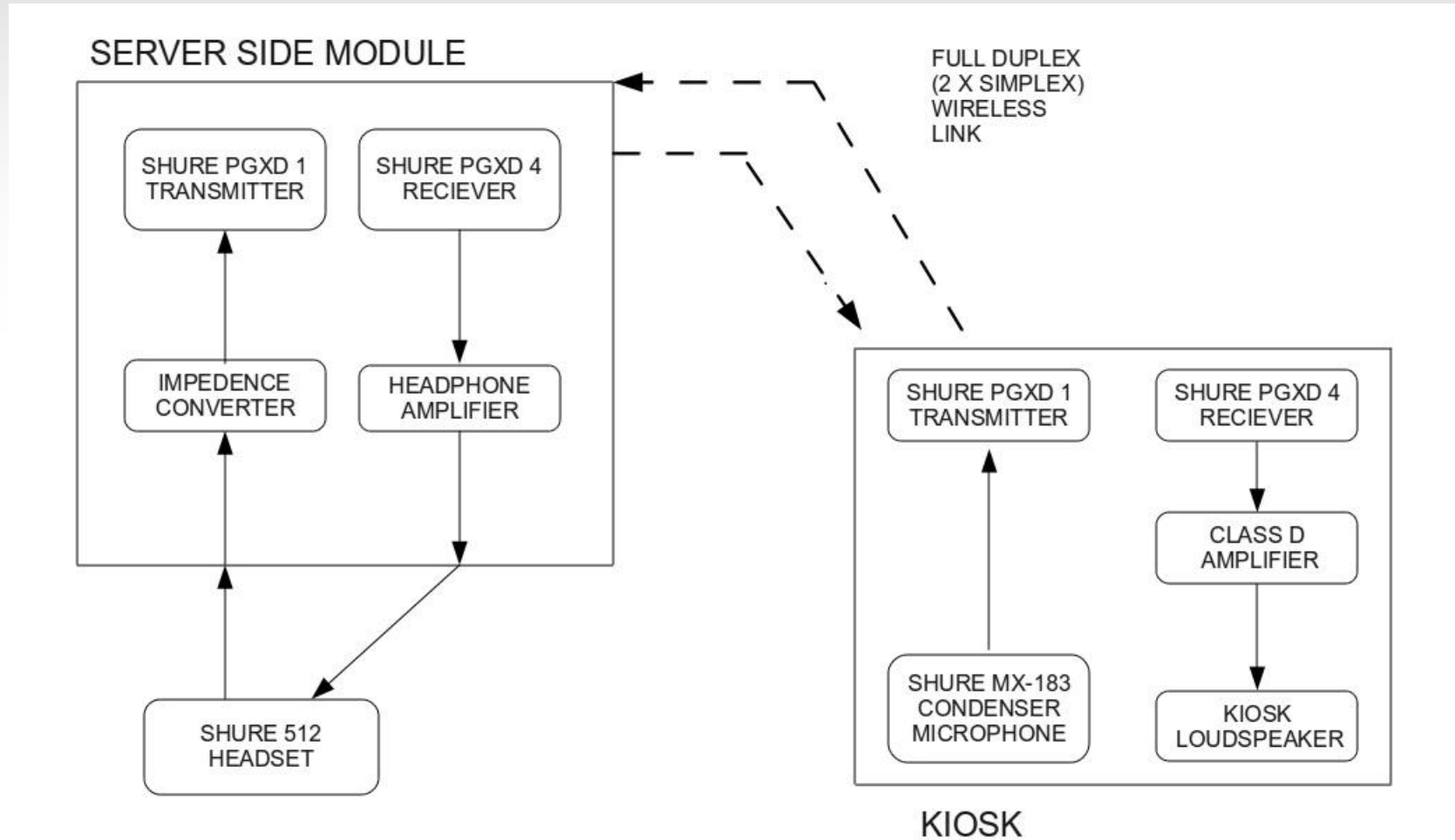
- System caters to deaf community
- User information confidentiality
- Ordering while driving
- Not eliminating voice system entirely
 - For those without ability to use voiceless system

Wireless

- Create a Wireless link between the Server Side Module and the Kiosk
- Eliminate any errors that could result from faulty wiring or line interference
- Lower installation costs



Wireless: Layout



Wireless: Equipment



Shure, Inc. provided IPRO 315 with two sets of PGXD transmitters and receivers as well as a headset, which complemented previous semesters' Shure microphones



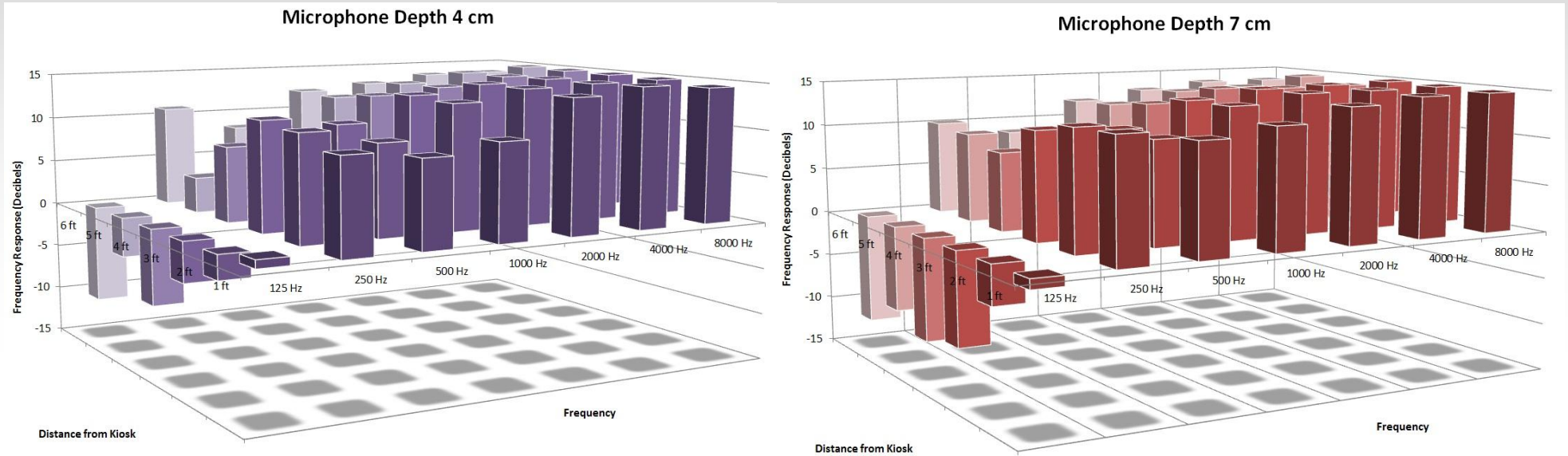
Wireless: Design Considerations

- Previous design required modification
 - New Shure equipment needed different audio levels than previous design
 - Fabricated a headphone amplifier
 - Built a new server-side module
- Wireless Module Mounting
 - Preventing signal attenuation from within the Kiosk and Server Side Module

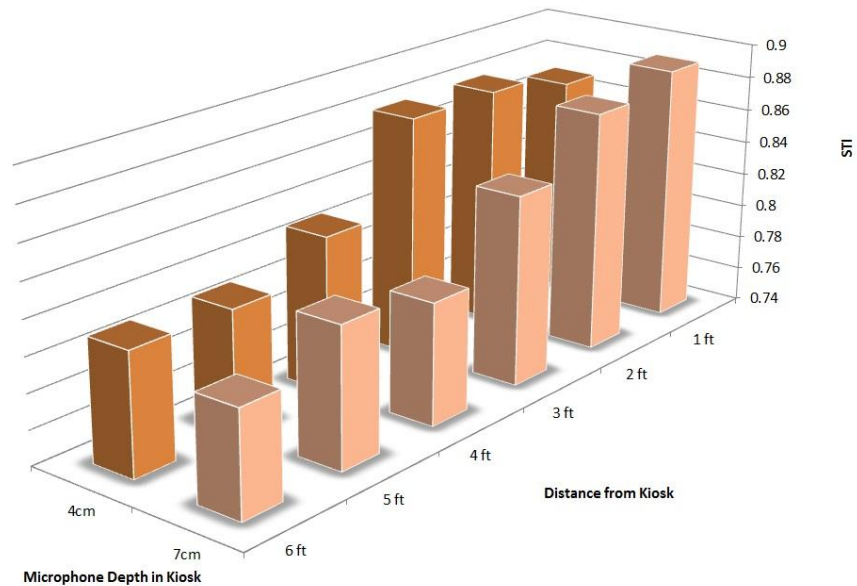
Wireless: Challenges

- Audio Testing
 - Recreated previous semesters' audio quality tests ensuring no signal quality deterioration
- Documentation
 - Provide documentation so that all of the tests of our system can be faithfully reproduced by following semesters

Wireless: Test Results



Speech Transmission Index (STI) Summary



Wireless: Future IPROs

- Push to talk
- Dynamic range compression
- Re-implementing equalizer
- Laying out PCB for headphone amplifier

Questions?

