

Crazy Pillar 1.1.4

# A Disappearing A- Pillar

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## Problem Statement - Background Info

The A-pillar of a vehicle can generate blind spots to the driver.



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A-Pillar Blind Spots



Car Pillars

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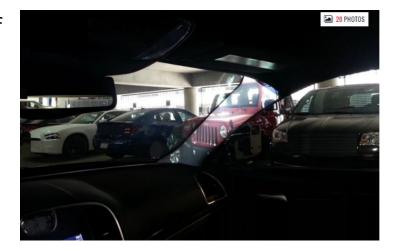
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- 1. Based on accident statistics for the year 2014, there were 3,401 seriously injured cyclists and 113 fatalities.
- 2. A study has found that the number of crashes caused by blind spots has increased by 50% over the last two years. (Motoring News)

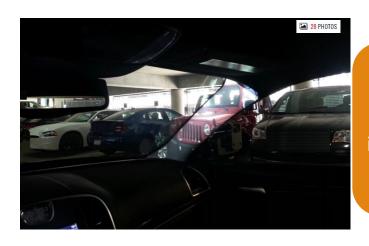
## Goal

The goal of our project is to make the A-pillar "virtually transparent" using the camera, display, and computation power of an inexpensive tablet.



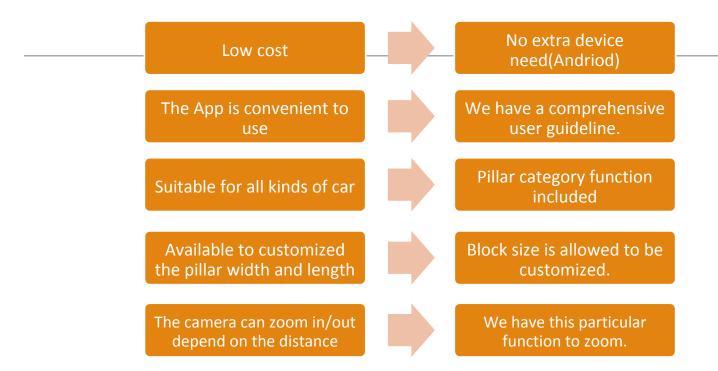


# Conceptual Sketch



Affix a tablet onto the A-pillar to visualize the obstructed region and increase the peripheral vision range of the motorist.

Develop an App using Android Studio to transfer the images acquired from the camera to the screen seamlessly in real time.



## **Functional Requirements**

Tablet (hardware): Nexus7

App development (software):

- Camera activity: Zoom in/out, block size change.
- •Customization: Input the default size of the pillar.
- •Pillar category: Allows users to choose the pillar size of their car.

## Non Functional Requirements

- The size of the tablet is supposed to be suitable for the width of the A pillar.
- Safety issue make sure tablet not blocks view of driver.
- Not falling down.
- Contact us Our introduction and contact information.

## **Technical Considerations**

•Use Java on Android Studio to develop an app on our tablet.

•We need to add camera function- camera2.

## **Cost Estimate**

Android 6.0 Marshmallow



No additional cost if you have an android tablet

## **Potential Risks**

- 1. During sunny days, driver cannot see tablet screen due to reflection.
- Cannot recognize objects that are very close to car.
- 3. Sometimes the tablet might drop off from the window.



## **Functional Decomposition**

#### Java doc

- com.example.lhan.crazypillar
  - ▶ i views
    - Camera\_activity
    - CrazyPillar
    - C & HelpSupport
    - © To Menu\_Contact\_Us
    - Customize
    - © & Menu\_Introduction
    - © a Menu\_Pillar\_Category
    - C & Menu\_Screen\_Size
    - © a Menu\_Tools
    - © a Privacy
    - © a Settings

#### Xml doc

- drawable
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  - activity\_cameraactivity.xml
  - activity\_crazy\_pillar.xml
  - activity\_help\_support.xml
  - activity\_main.xml
  - activity\_menu\_contact\_us.xml
  - activity\_menu\_customize.xml
  - activity\_menu\_introduction.xml
  - activity\_menu\_pillar\_category.xml
  - activity\_menu\_screen\_size.xml
  - activity\_menu\_tools.xml
  - activity\_privacy.xml
  - activity\_settings.xml
  - app\_bar\_crazy\_pillar.xml
  - content\_crazy\_pillar.xml
  - layout\_shape.xml
  - nav\_header\_crazy\_pillar.xml

# Detailed Design(Customize)

### Menu\_Customize class

```
protected void onCreate(Bundle
savedInstanceState)

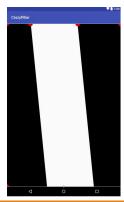
Intent intent=new Intent(Menu_Customize this,
   Camera_activity class);
intent.putExtra("rwinput", rwinput);
intent.putExtra("rainput", rainput);
startActivity(intent);
```



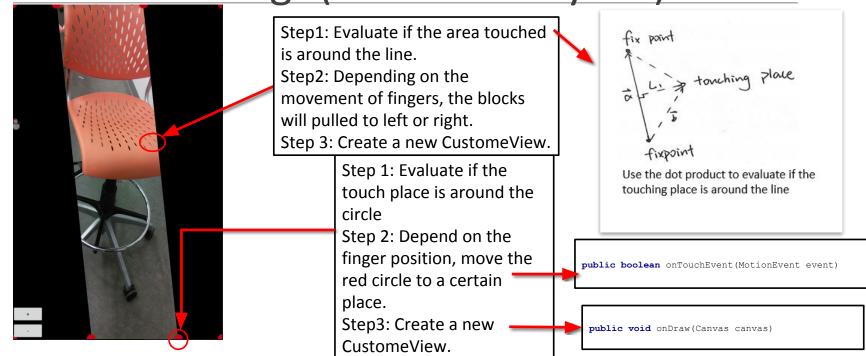
### Menu\_Camera\_activity class

#### Menu\_CutomeView

```
public void changeSize(int
width,int angle) {
    Width=width*100;
    Angle=angle;
    cos=(float)
    (Math.cos(Math.toRadians(Angle)))
    );
    }
}
```



Detailed Design(Block size layout)



## Test Plan



Step 1: Test car(Ford Edge) and tester



Step 2: Affixed magnetic holder onto the windscreen to hold the tablet



Step 3: Tablet is attached onto The A-pillar.



Step 4: A video is recorded while the vehicle is moving from the driver's view.

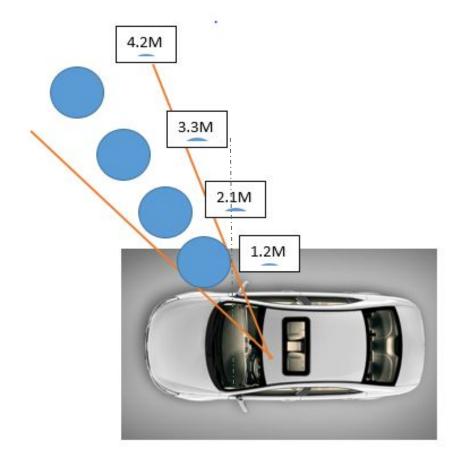
# Ford Mustang



# Demonstration



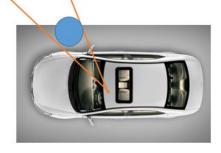
# Top

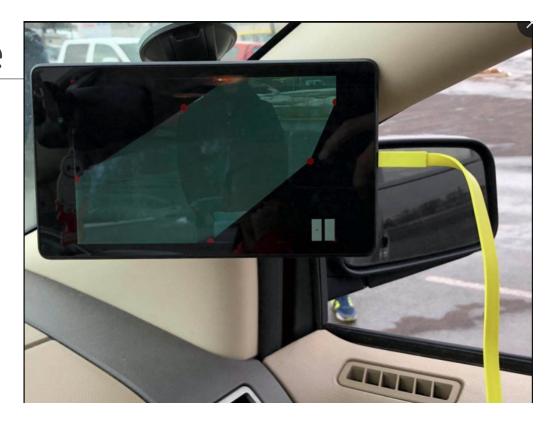


# **Front:**

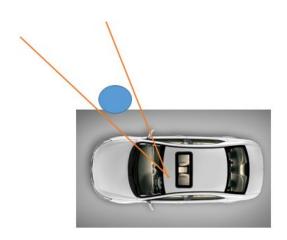


Distance: 1.2m Up boundary 1.275m Bottom boundary 1.02m



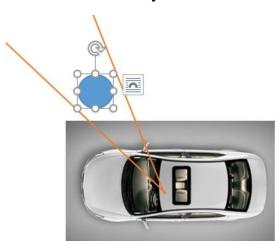


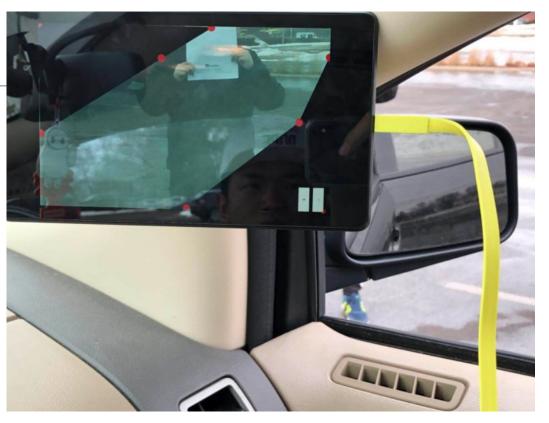
Distance: 2.1m Up boundary 1.41m Bottom boundary 0.85m



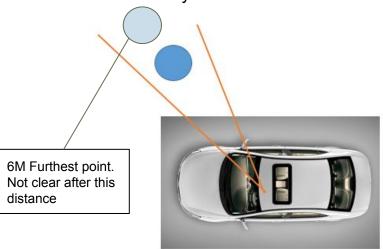


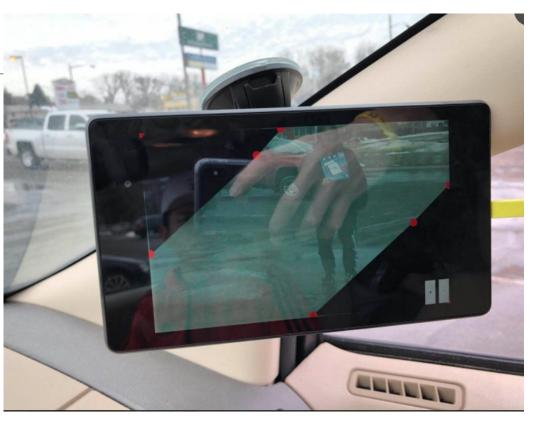
Distance: 3.3m Up boundary 1.53m Bottom boundary 0.56m





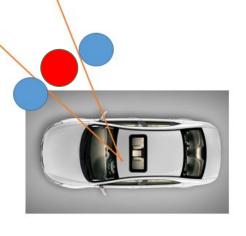
Distance: 4.2m Up boundary 1.5m Bottom boundary 0.17m





Visual Angle





Visual Angle: Right: 30 degrees Left: 70 degrees

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