

TeamTouch

Off site. In sight.

*control remote projects
manage distributed teams*

*manage virtual employees
improve development processes*

software development management

- PMS: Project Management System
- BTS: Bug Tracking System
- CMS: Code Management System
- TMS: Timesheet Management System
- Shot gallery
- Live project demo

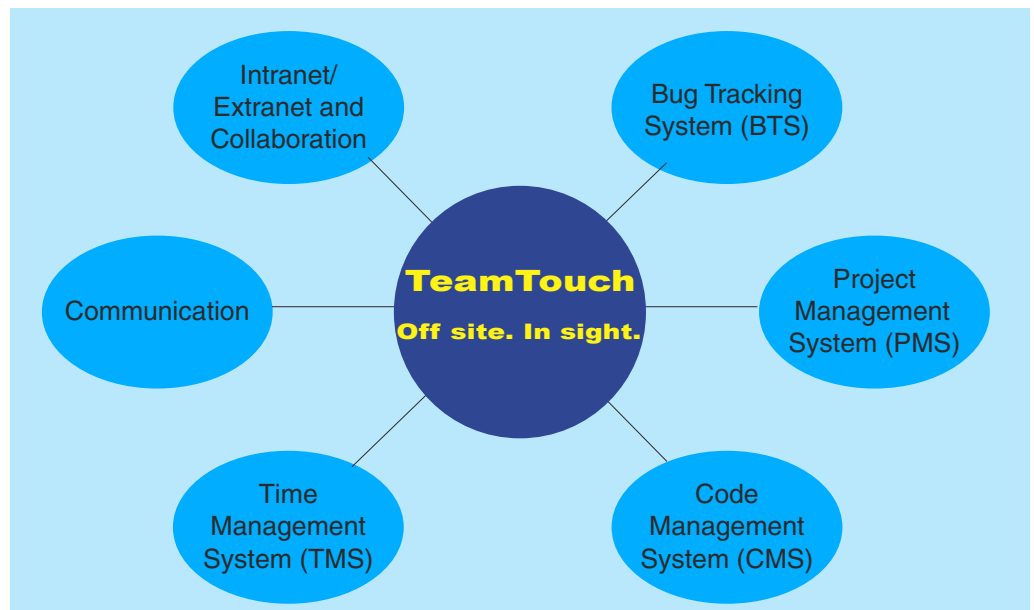
intranet/extranet

- Tasks
- Calendar
- Discussions
- Documents
- Announcements
- Polls
- Contacts
- Directory
- Groups
- Email integration
- What's new

communication

- Instant Messaging
- Voice/video chat
- Whiteboard
- Desktop sharing

Mindfire Solutions provides you unparalleled access into its development life-cycle through a unique toolset: TeamTouch. TeamTouch allows you to monitor and control remote software development projects. The combination of tools provides generic collaboration (intranet/extranet) and functionality specific to software development scenarios. **You can reach out and touch your team: anytime, anywhere!**



team collaboration

TeamTouch improves team collaboration through a set of group tools. Tasks allows you to create/manage tasks and assign deadlines. Using the Calendar, one can schedule group/personal events of different priorities. In Discussions, members can create new forum topics,

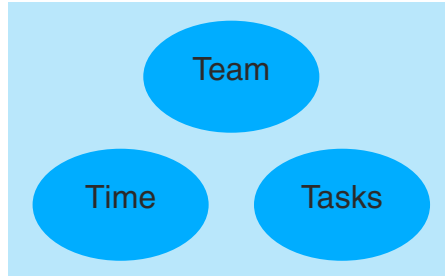
and team involvement is available as threaded discussions. A shared repository of Documents, with different levels of permissions, allows easy upload/download and sharing of documents. Announcements appear on everybody's Home Page, and may be used to announce anything: a project bonus or the evening pizza party! Polls are useful to collect opinions, and may be time-bound or anonymous. The Directory is useful to find member details of each member in the project/group/intranet, and Contacts helps to maintain shared Contact details.

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project management

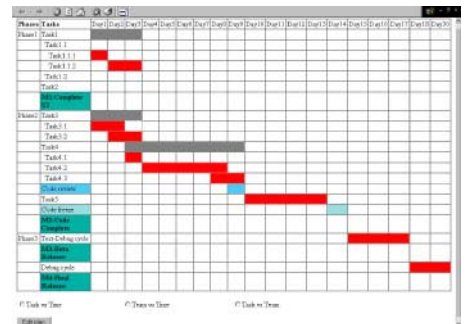
when you login, you see:

- bug status
 - project status
 - timesheet status
- since last login*
- bug movement
 - code movement



The Project Management System (PMS) is a simple, monitoring-oriented system that encourages usability. Projects are regarded as consisting of Phases, each ending at a milestone. Each Phase is subsequently broken down into Tasks and sub-tasks. The PMS handles all three sides of any software project: Team, Time and Tasks (assuming that Finance is being

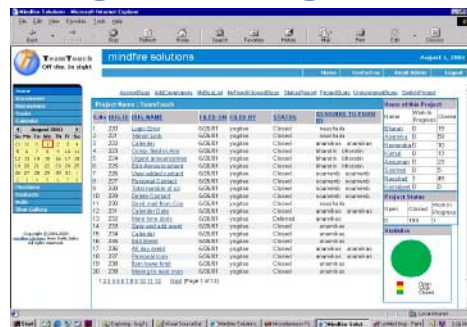
taken care of separately!). TeamTouch allows you to view the Work Breakdown Structure in three ways: Tasks vs Time, Team vs Time and Tasks vs Team. Milestones are classified as Target, Met and Missed, while Tasks are either Planned, InProgress or Complete. A simple color-coded chart shows you all this information at a glance.



bug management

“We have developed TeamTouch to enable and improve the Remote Development process. It requires courage to open up your guts to clients, but we believe transparency will lead to higher client satisfaction and better project delivery.”

Chinmoy Panda
CEO
Mindfire Solutions



The Bug Tracking System (BTS) enables teams to file/monitor/assign and close bugs. The BTS shows you live status of bugs, and reports on daily activity and the team’s movement toward defect-free software. The simple interface encourages clients to file their feedback too, and all bugs/feedback/enhancements are handled by the BTS. The BTS also allows advanced analysis, including Daily, Team and Aging Analysis.

code management

The Code Management System (CMS) throws into your vision the guts of software development! You can track, live, changes to the code tree as they are made. The CMS provides you capabilities for Reporting, Display and Functional usage. Reporting shows you which files in the tree have changed (add/modify/delete) since a certain time, and by whom. Display enables you to see the same Code Repository which engineers use during their development. Finally, Functional usage allows you to view and modify files.

time management

For clients who carry projects on time-and-materials basis, timesheet management and reporting is available through our online Timesheet Management System (TMS). You may view Timesheets of any member, and cumulative man-hours for your project(s).

communication

Mindfire plans to integrate MS-NetMeeting and its communication features into the TeamTouch suite. This will add valuable features like Instant Messaging, Voice and Video Conference, Whiteboard and Application/Desktop Sharing for demos.

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system requirements:

front-end:

- ie4+/nn4+ browser

server:

- windows nt/2000
- iis/asp/com+
- ms sql server
- ms source safe

future interfaces:

- ms project
- ms netmeeting

our invitation:

we invite you to experience

TeamTouch for yourself.

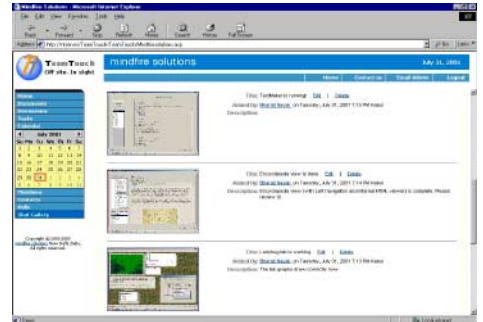
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shot gallery

TeamTouch incorporates an image gallery, where regular screen-shots are available for your review. Though screen-shots do not bear direct correlation with project status, their trend over time does show progress graphically. You can page through the archives to see changes over time.

However, static images are not satisfactory when you want to roll up your sleeves and run what's being developed! That's when you need live project demos.



live project demo

Live project demos are the best way to watch your project taking shape. We provide online demos from our development server for web projects, and Screenshots/ Remote Application Sharing for non-web projects.

it's all of it together!

Though several tools are already available for remote project management and remote work in general, TeamTouch presents an unified view. It's all the tools together that creates impact and true transparency. And, it is the practical experience of remote control requirements for software projects in particular, that leads the entire vision.

administration

TeamTouch includes different levels of administration. The "super-user" creates projects, new clients and team members, manages passwords and other such global administration. Project Managers are administrators for their own projects, and may assign project tasks/bugs and other activities.

security

TeamTouch implements advanced security features. Projects are partitioned at the lowest level, and each client gets only the view of her area. Developers are not allowed cross-project information, and the server implements SSL encryption for higher security.

roles

TeamTouch recognizes that it has been built for software projects, and provides in-built roles to suit the same: Client, Project Manager, QA Manager, Software Engineer, QA Engineer and Spectator (meant for senior management who want summary reporting capability).

simplicity, practicality

TeamTouch relies on the core tenet of usability to derive practical strength. Complex multi-page Bug Tracking Systems would, for example, require you to fill up 4-5 forms for filing the simplest of bugs. TeamTouch's BTS, on the other hand, makes it a breeze, encouraging usage and improving team performance.