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#### **Motivation**

- To allow players separated across great distances to play Chess together
- To streamline the process of practicing Chess against an Al
- To create an elegant physical and virtual environment that is easy to use
- To put a spin on traditional gameplay and create a new way to play a classic game

# Deep RGB?

- Automated Chess Board
  - Use magnets to move pieces
  - Take input physically from user
  - Correct user errors
  - Visually assists gameplay
  - Multiple playing modes
  - Sends data wirelessly to off-site server
- Web Interface
  - Allow gameplay from any web-enabled device
  - Allow for environment customization
  - Store saved games and other user data

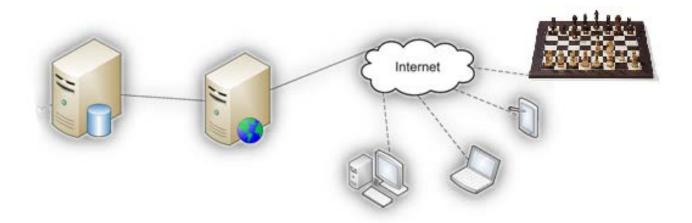
#### Goals

- Allow for play between human and computer, human and remote human, or two computers
- Connect to server over any available wireless network
- Detect pieces using a Hall-Effect sensor grid
- Make required moves with under-board magnet
- Show available moves via in-board LEDs
- Play selected sound effects depending on game state

## Requirements

- Weight of entire unit no more than 10kg
- Dimensions of playing field no larger than 40cm by 40cm
- Dimensions of whole unit no larger than 70cm by 55cm by 20 cm
- Operates under 110–220V 50/60Hz AC
- Pieces positioned with less than 10% error

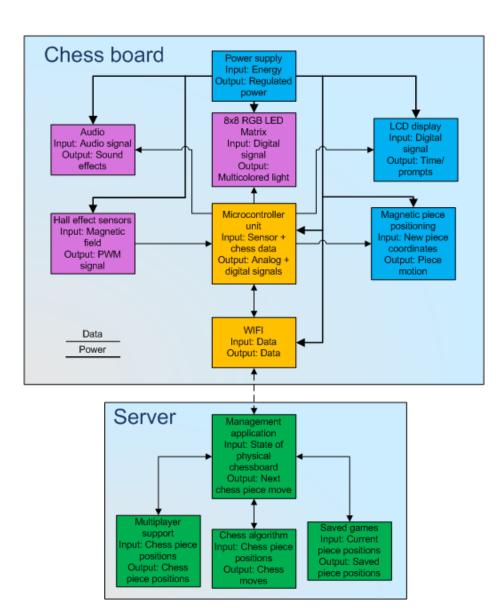
# Subsystem Layout

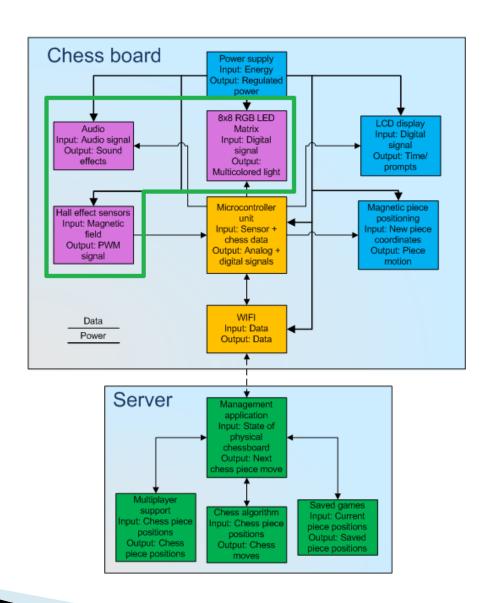


# Full System

Labor is divided into hardware and software

- Hardware subsystems
  - Shenmin in yellow
  - Robert in pink
  - Siarhei in blue
- Software subsystems
  - Joseph in green





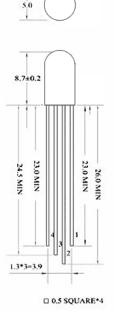
# **RGB** Light Emitting Diodes

|                           | RL5-RGB-C-2     | R596CR3G4B5C-C10 | R596CR3G4B5W-F12 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Operating Voltage (R,G,B) | 2.4, 3.5, 3.5 V | 2.2, 3.4, 3.4 V  | 2.2,3.4,3.4 V    |
| I(Peak)                   | 50mA            | 30mA             | 30mA             |
| Viewing Angle             | 60°             | 40°              | 40°              |
| Luminosity                | 1K-5K mcd       | 800-4000 mcd     | 1200-6500 mcd    |
| Diameter                  | 5mm             | 5mm              | 5mm              |
| Package                   | SIP             | SIP              | SIP              |
| Pins                      | 4               | 4                | 4                |
| Price per Unit            | \$0.79          | \$0.60           | \$0.60           |

#### RL5-RGB-C-2

- Substituted for the R596CR3G4B5W-F12
- Super bright RGB LED
- Highest Viewing angle
- Capable of creating a wide array of colors
- Compact design
- Low cost





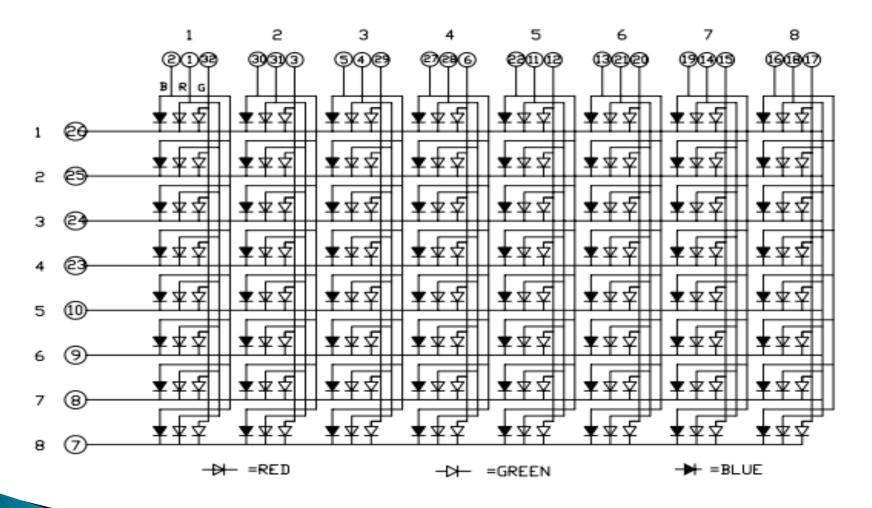
### LED Array Functionality

- Display available moves when a piece is picked up
- Visual queues for errors
- Helps distinguish between player's pieces
- Personalization and user customization

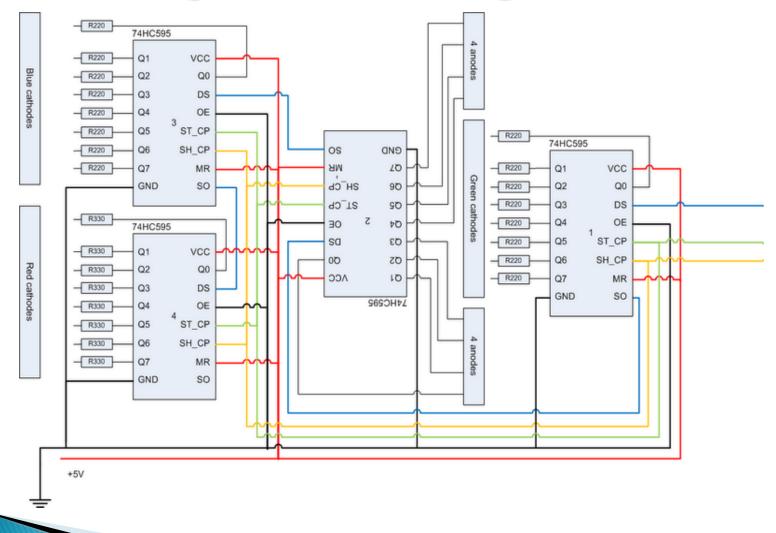
### LED Array Implementation

- Each pin is connected to a specific rail running horizontally and vertically
- Each LED is activated one at a time by activating two or more rails
- Rails are controlled using four shift registers connected in series
- Each register controls one group of rails; red, green, blue and cathode
- Implementation caused massive traffic on SPI bus

# **LED Array Schematic**



# Shift Register Configuration



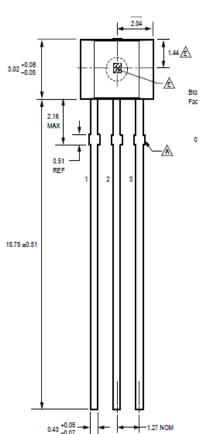
#### Hall-Effect Sensor

|                  | MLX 90215  | A1325      | A1302            |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| VCC(recommended) | 5V         | 5V         | 4.5 - 6V         |
| VCC(max)         | 5.5V       | 5.5V       | 8V               |
| l(max)           | 6.5mA      | 9mA        | 11mA             |
| Package          | SIP        | SIP        | SIP              |
| Pins             | 4          | 3          | 3                |
| Sensitivity      | 5-140 mV/G | 3.125 mV/G | 0.85 - 1.75 mV/G |
| Price per Unit   | \$2.38     | \$1.35     | \$1.54           |

# Allegro A1325

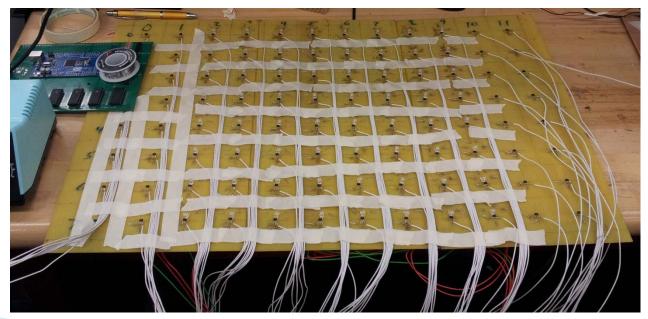
- Linear ratiometric Hall-effect sensor
- Capable of determining range and polarity
- Simple, small and reliable
- Low cost per unit





#### Hall-effect Grid

- > 2D 8X12 array (96 sensors)
- One sensor in the center of each tile
- Powered simultaneously
- 6 MUXs channel output into MCU

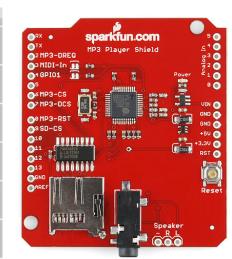


#### **Audio Module**

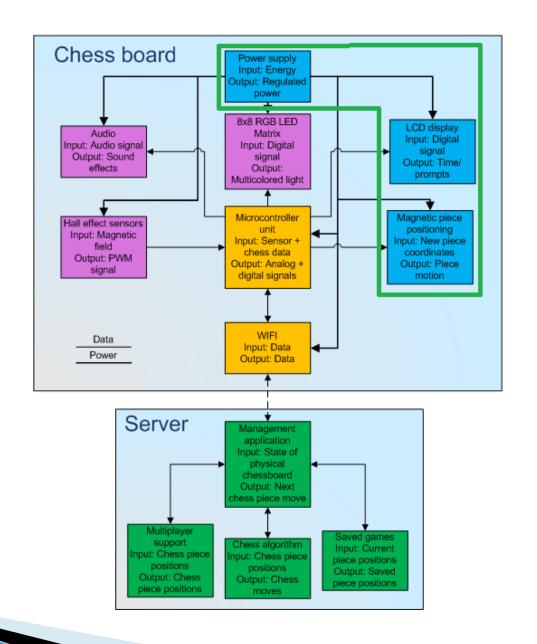
|                       | Arduino-019          | rMP3                | DEV-10628             |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Operating voltage     | 5V                   | 5V                  | 5V                    |
| Current               | Unspecified          | 60mA                | Unspecified           |
| Input                 | SPI                  | SPI                 | SPI                   |
| Outputs               | 3.5mm jack, line out | 3.5mm jack          | 3.5mm jack , line out |
| Data Storage          | Micro SD up to 2GB   | Micro SD up to 32GB | Micro SD              |
| Interrupt Capable     | Unspecified          | Yes                 | Yes                   |
| Decoding Capabilities | Mp3, Ogg Vorbis      | Мр3                 | Mp3, Ogg Vorbis       |
| Price                 | \$27.50              | \$64.99             | \$39.95               |

#### DEV-10628

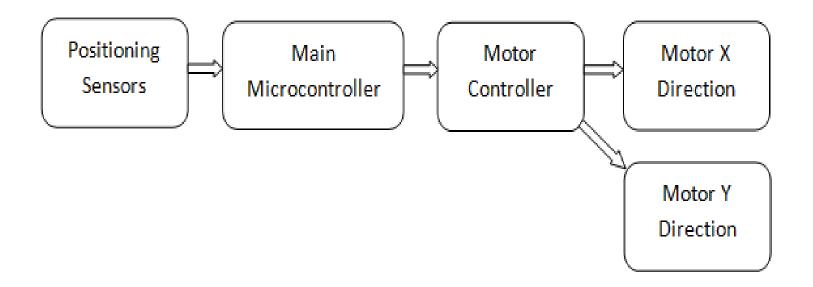
- Low cost audio shield
- Designed for use with Arduino boards
- Capable of decoding most popular audio formats
- Onboard data storage
- Interrupt capable through buffer
- Multiple outputs







# Moving System Block Diagram

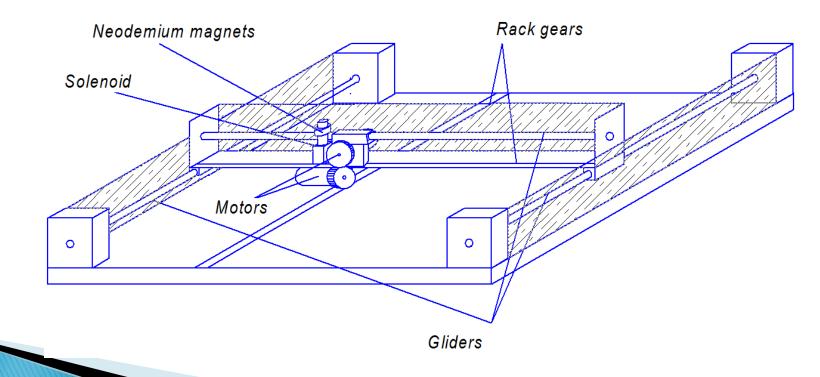


## Magnetic Piece Moving System

- Main parts of the moving system are the X and Y positioning tables.
- The XY rails will be located underneath the chess board
- It will be capable of moving from one X-Y coordinate to another in order to move certain chess pieces

# Moving system

|               | Noise level | Difficulty of installation | Reliability | Cost of the system |
|---------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Internal gear | High        | Medium                     | Low         | Medium             |
| Worm gear     | Low         | High                       | High        | High               |
| Rack and gear | Medium      | Low                        | Medium      | Low                |



## Magnets

- Each chess piece has a magnet attached to the bottom of it
- Under the board we have one strong magnet installed on the moving positioning system



#### Chess figures' neodymium magnets

- ▶ Disk 1/2" x 1/16"
- N42-class
- Over 6.6 lbs pulling force

#### Electromagnet

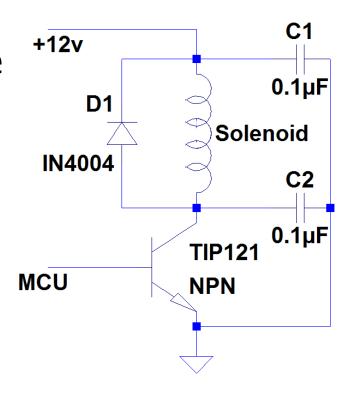
| Model of electromagnet | R-1207-12  | EM 137     | ER2-103    |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Voltage, V             | 12         | 12         | 24         |
| Duty                   | Continuous | Continuous | Continuous |
| Watts                  | 3.3        | 5          | 4.2        |
| Amps                   | 0.28       | 0.41       | n/a        |
| Holding Force, Lbs     | 45         | 33         | 22         |
| Weight, Lbs            | 0.24       | 0.24       | 0.4        |
| Diameter, cm           | 3.175      | 3.493      | 3.175      |
| Height, cm             | 1.905      | 2.06       | n/a        |
| Price,\$               | 40         | 29.24      | 76.06      |

## Electromagnet & Solenoid

- ▶ EM 137
  - Inexpensive and lightweight
  - Could not reach through the playing surface
- Solenoid equipped with magnets used for replacement
- Uses an electromagnet to push a rod up and down allowing the magnets to grab pieces

#### **Activation Circuit Decision**

- We used NPN-transistor as a switch
- Diode used to protect the transistor from back voltage
- Capacitors reduced signal noise from solenoid.



# Stepper motors

| Motor Model #               | Stepper Motor -200<br>steps/rev | Unipolar/Bipolar, 200<br>steps/rev | Applied Motion -<br>5017-009 Bipolar<br>Stepper Motor | Mercury ROB-09238<br>Bipolar Stepper Motor |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Motor type                  | Bipolar                         | Unipolar/Bipolar                   | Unipolar/Bipolar                                      | Bipolar                                    |
| Step Angle, degree          | 1.8                             | 1.8                                | 1.8   | 1.8  |
| # of Wire Leads             | 4                               | 6                                  | 6   | 4  |
| Leads length, mm            | 230                             | 300                                | 305   | 1200                                       |
| Drive Shaft Diameter,<br>mm | 5                               | 5                                  | 5   | 5  |
| Rated Voltage, V            | 12                              | 4                                  | 6   | 12   |
| Rated Current, mA           | 350                             | 1200                               | 570   | 330  |
| Holding Torque, oz-in       | 28                              | 44                                 | 31.4  | 31.9                                       |
| Winding Resistance,<br>Ohm  | 34                              | 3.3                                | 15  | 34   |
| Frame Size, mm              | 42.3 x 42.3                     | 42.3 x 42.3                        | 42.3 x 42.3   | 42.3 x 42.3                                |
| Weights, g                  | 200                             | 350                                | n/a   | 200  |
| Price, \$                   | 14.00                           | 19.95                              | 12.95   | 14.95                                      |

# Mercury ROB-09238 Bipolar Stepper Motor

- Bipolar Motor
- 5mm shaft diameter
- ▶ 12V at 330 mA
- ▶ 0.166 foot pounds of torque

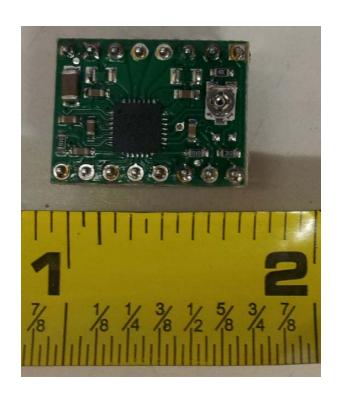


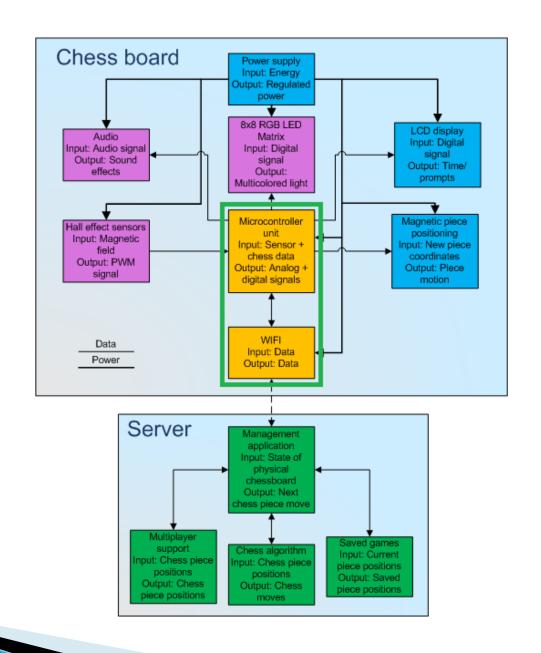
#### **Motor Driver**

|                                  | Easy Driver   | Big Easy Driver     | A4988 Stepper Motor Driver |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Power supply range, V            | From 7 to 30  | From 8 to 35        | From 8 to 35               |
| Output power, V                  | 3.3/5         | 3.3/5               | 3.3/5                      |
| Microsteps                       | 1/2; 1/4; 1/8 | 1/2; 1/4; 1/8; 1/16 | 1/2; 1/4; 1/8; 1/16        |
| Chip                             | A3967         | A4983               | A4988                      |
| Current control per phase,<br>mA | Up to 750     | Up to 2000          | Up to 2000                 |
| Board size, in                   | 0.6 x 1.9     | 1.25 x 1.75         | 0.7 x 1.4                  |
| Source                           | Open          | Open                | n/a                        |
| Price,\$                         | 14.95         | 22.95               | 14.95                      |

## **A4988 Stepper Motor Driver**

- 8 to 35V stepper voltage range
- Capable of 1/2; 1/4; 1/8; 1/16 steps
- Tiny board size
- Inexpensive





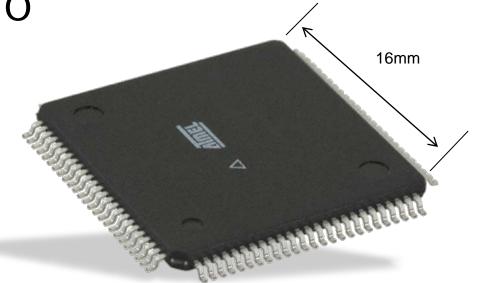
# Microcontroller Unit (MCU)

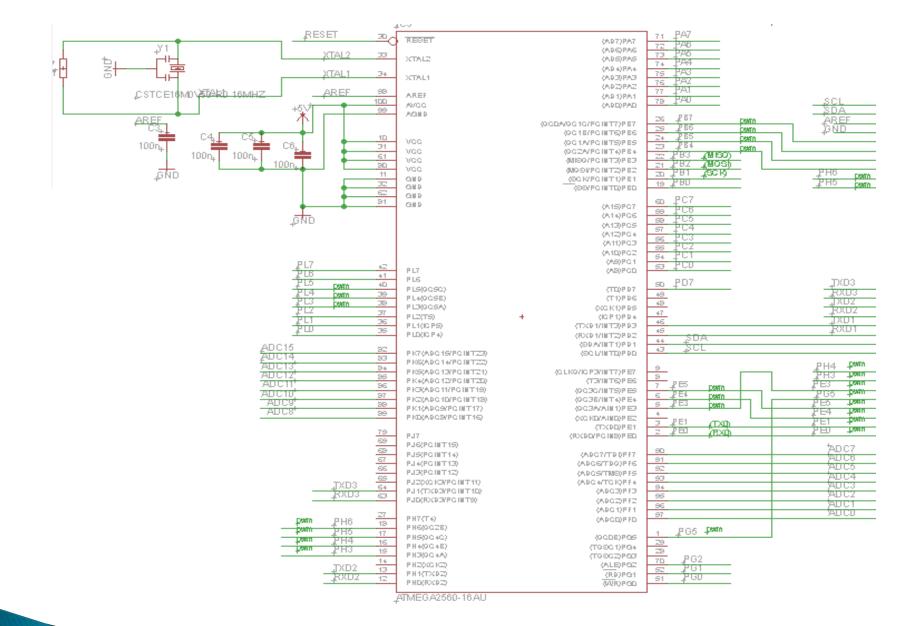
|                                | PIC18F46K80 | MSP430FR5739 | Atmel Corporation ATmega 2560 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Operating voltage              | 1.8 – 5.5 V | 2 - 3.6 V    | 2.7 - 5.5 V                   |
| Digital I/O pins               | 35          | 33           | 54                            |
| Analog input pins              | 11          | 14           | 16                            |
| UART & SPI busses              | 3           | 3            | 4                             |
| Program memory                 | 64 KB       | 16 KB        | 256KB                         |
| Clock speed                    | 64 MHz      | 24 MHz       | 16 MHz                        |
| Experience with product        | None        | None         | Very experienced              |
| Price per microcontroller      | \$4.30      | \$6.35       | \$17.97                       |
| Price per development<br>board | \$165.00    | \$29.00      | \$58.95                       |

# Atmel ATMega 2560

- Low power 8-bit microcontroller
- Clock Rate of 16MHz
- 4 serial I/O
- Has analog to digital converter

70 General Purpose I/O





## **Development Environment**

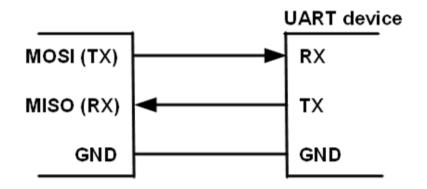
- Hardware
  - Arduino Mega 2560 R3
    - Open source schematic
    - Low cost
- Software
  - Multiplatform capability
  - Community supported
  - C-esque programming language

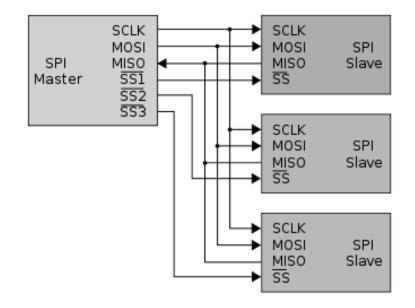




### Distribution of I/O

- Wireless networking
  - UART bus
- LCD/Stepper motors/ Solenoid/ Sensors
  - General purpose I/O pins
- LED
  - SPI Bus



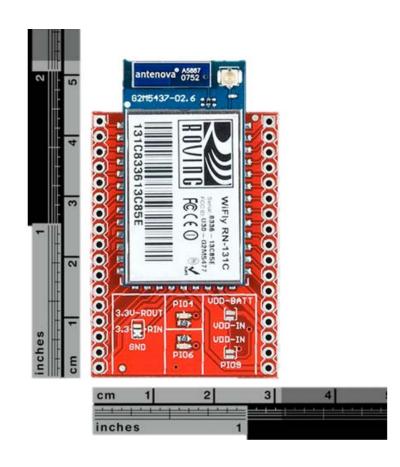


## Wireless Networking

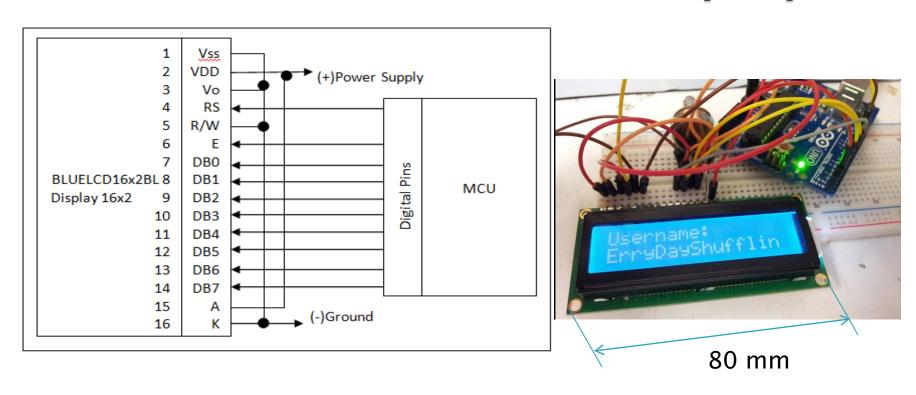
| Device Name               | WiFly GSX  | XBee Series 1 | BlueSMiRf Silver |  |
|---------------------------|------------|---------------|------------------|--|
| Data transfer rate        | 1 Mbps     | 0.24Mbps      | 0.1 Mbps         |  |
| Range                     | 100m       | 100m          | 18m              |  |
| Required input voltage    | 3.3V 3.3V  |               | 3.3V             |  |
| Required input current    | 210mA 50mA |               | 45mA             |  |
| Microcontroller interface | UART       | UART          | UART             |  |
| Price                     | \$84.95    | \$22.95       | \$39.95          |  |

## WiFly GSX

- 2.4GHz IEEE 802.11b/g transceiver
- ▶ 1Mbps data rate with TCP/IP and WPA2
- Up to 100m range
- UART hardware interface
- WEP-128, WPA-PSK (TKIP), WPA2-PSK (AES)
- FCC / CE/ ICS certified



### BLUELCD16x2BL LCD Display



- 5V DC supply voltage
- Hitachi HD 44780 display driver
- Temperature range from 5 C to 40 C

### Power supply

#### N82E16817103064

- Flex ATX /TX12VSingle/
- Power150W
- Output Current+3.3V@10A, +5V@13A, +12V1@10A, -12V@0.5A, +5Vsb@2A
- ▶ Cost: \$30

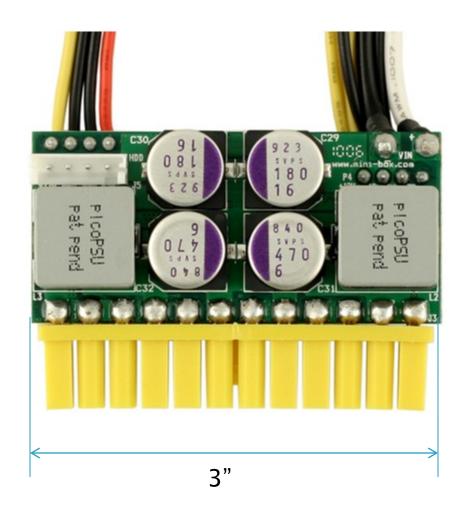
#### Power AC Adapter from laptop

- Power 72W
- Output Voltage 12 V
- Output Current 6A
- ▶ Cost: \$10



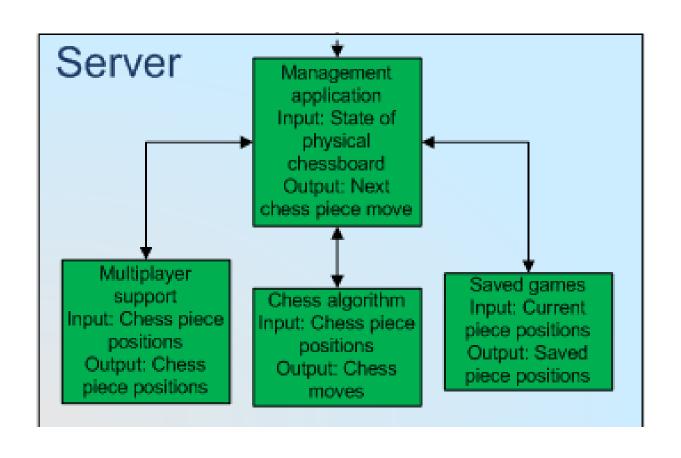
### Power Supply Cont.

- picoPSU-160-XT
- 160 Watt normal operation (200W peak)
- Low component impedence 4mOhm
- Supplies multiple voltage levels (12V, 5V,3V)



#### Arduino Code

- Wifi
  - Utilize the WiFly library to connect to a secure hotspot and transmit and receive piece positions to and from the website
- Sensor matrix
  - Loop through the matrix of sensors and obtain the positions as they arise
- Piece positioning
  - Position the solenoid to the correct location
  - Turn the solenoid on and travel a clear path to the new location
- LED matrix
  - Assign an 8 bit number to control the color of the LED
- Audio
  - Intended to use an interrupt and only request new data when necessary
- LCD
  - Utilizes the LiquidCrystal library to write to the LCD



### Management Pages

| Page Name   | Required Input   | Optional Input  | Output  | Description  |
|-------------|--|---|---|--|
| Log In      | <ul><li>Username</li><li>Password (SHA-1 hashed)</li></ul>                             |   | <ul><li>Authentication Key</li><li>User ID</li></ul>  | Logs in a user and creates a session on the server       |
| User Info   | <ul><li>Authentication Key</li><li>User ID</li></ul>                                   |   | <ul><li>Username</li><li>LED Color</li><li>Audio Theme</li></ul>  | Get information about the currently logged in user.      |
| Games List  | <ul><li>Authentication Key</li><li>User ID</li></ul>                                   | <ul><li>showObserver</li><li>page_count</li><li>page_number</li></ul> | <ul><li> Games IDs</li><li> Player usernames</li></ul>  | Get a list of all games the user can interact with.      |
| Game Info   | <ul><li>Authentication Key</li><li>User ID</li><li>Game ID</li></ul>                   | <ul><li>moves</li><li>move_limit</li></ul>                            | <ul> <li>Game ID</li> <li>Players</li> <li>Board State</li> <li>Turn Number</li> <li>Active Player</li> <li>Turns (Optional)</li> </ul> | Get the full state of a game, given its ID.              |
| Create Game | <ul><li>Authentication Key</li><li>User ID</li><li>Opponent</li><li>Username</li></ul> | <ul> <li>allowObserver</li> </ul>                                     | <ul> <li>(Success)</li> <li>Game ID</li> <li>Players</li> <li>Board State</li> <li>Turn Number</li> <li>Active Player</li> </ul>        | Make a new game, given a logged in user and an opponent. |

### Management Pages

| Page Name    | Required Input   | Optional Input                                  | Output   | Description  |
|--------------|--|---|--|--|
| Update Move  | <ul> <li>Authentication Key</li> <li>User ID</li> <li>Game ID</li> <li>Board State</li> <li>Move Made</li> </ul> |   | <ul> <li>(Success)</li> <li>Game ID</li> <li>Players</li> <li>Board State</li> <li>Turn Number</li> <li>Active Player</li> </ul> | Submit a move in an ongoing game.                          |
| New Account  | <ul><li>Username</li><li>Real Name</li><li>Email Address</li></ul>   | <ul><li>LED Color</li><li>Audio Theme</li></ul> | <ul><li>(Success)</li><li>Success Code</li></ul>   | Create a new account using the information provided.       |
| Pass Lost    | • Username   |   | <ul> <li>Email containing<br/>reset key</li> </ul>   | Request a reset key for a user who has lost their password |
| Pass Reset   | <ul><li>UserID</li><li>Reset Key</li></ul>   |   | <ul><li>(Success)</li><li>Success Code</li></ul>   | Choose a new password for the user                         |
| Add Observer | <ul><li>UserID</li><li>Authentication Key</li><li>GameID</li></ul>   |   | <ul><li>(Success)</li><li>Success Code</li></ul>   | Add a user to a game as an observer.                       |

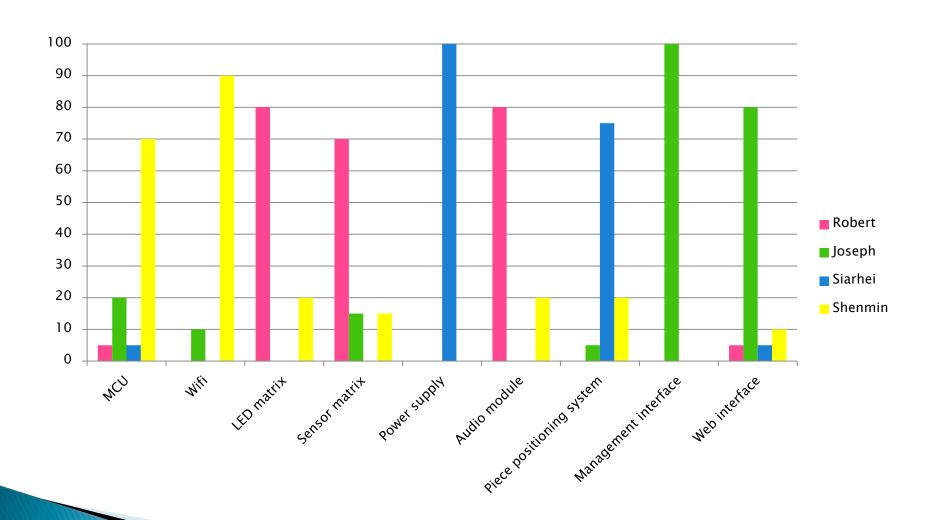
### Web Interface



### Bill of Materials

| ltem  | Distributor                 | Part Num.        | Quantity | Projected Cost | Total Price |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|----------------|-------------|
| PCB   | 4PCB                        | None             | 1        | \$60.00        | \$33.00     |
| ATmega 2560   | Digikey                     | ATMEGA2560V-8AU  | 1        | \$30.00        | \$19.97     |
| ATmega16-U2   | Digikey                     | ATMEGA16U2-AU-ND | 1        | \$5.00         | \$3.71      |
| Various main board components(USB socket, headers, etc) | Digikey<br>Sparkfun<br>Ebay | None             | N/A      | \$50.00        | \$33.46     |
| Rover RN131C  | Digikey                     | WRL-10050        | 1        | \$40.15        | \$84.95     |
| Stepper motor driver IC                                 | Digikey                     | 620-1140-2-ND    | 2        | \$39.90        | \$27.90     |
| Motors  | Sparkfun                    | ROB-09238        | 2        | \$29.90        | 37.68       |
| Audio Shield  | Sparkfun                    | DEV-10628        | 1        | \$30.00        | \$19.95     |
| Racks and Gears   | SDP-SI                      | none             | N/A      | \$30.00        | \$47.77     |
| Neodymium Magnets                                       | ebay                        | None             | N/A      | \$4.95         | \$65.25     |
| Solenoid  | Skycraft                    | None             | 1        | \$20.00        | \$5.00      |
| Hall Effect Sensors                                     | Newark                      | 89T7955          | 100      | \$281.43       | \$135.00    |
| RGB LEDs  | Superbright LEDs            | RL5-RGB-C-2      | 70       | \$70.00        | \$49.70     |
| Construction Materials                                  | None                        | None             | None     | \$250.00       | \$160.82    |
| Custom PC functioning as server                         | Donated by team member      | None             | 1        | \$300.00       | \$0.00      |
| Server OS   | Donated by team member      | None             | 1        | \$0.00         | \$0.00      |
| Visual Studio 10  | Donated by team member      | None             | 1        | \$180.00       | \$0.00      |
| SQL Server Browser                                      | Donated by team member      | None             | 1        | \$200.00       | \$0.00      |
| Chrome Developer Toold                                  | Google Inc.                 | None             | 1        | \$0.00         | \$0.00      |
| Total price without tax or shipping                     |                             |                  |          | \$1601.03      | \$745.37    |

### Distribution of Labor



#### **Problems**

- Low Hall-Effect sensor sensitivity
  - Resulted in the replacement of the original sensors with the A1325
- Stable power for the electromagnet
  - Purchase of a third party reliable power source
- SPI bus traffic
  - Removal of audio
- Electromagnet Impotency
  - Replaced with solenoid and neodymium magnets
- Wi-Fi Module not connecting
  - No solution was found before presentation



# Questions?

