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# Healthy Chair

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## Problem

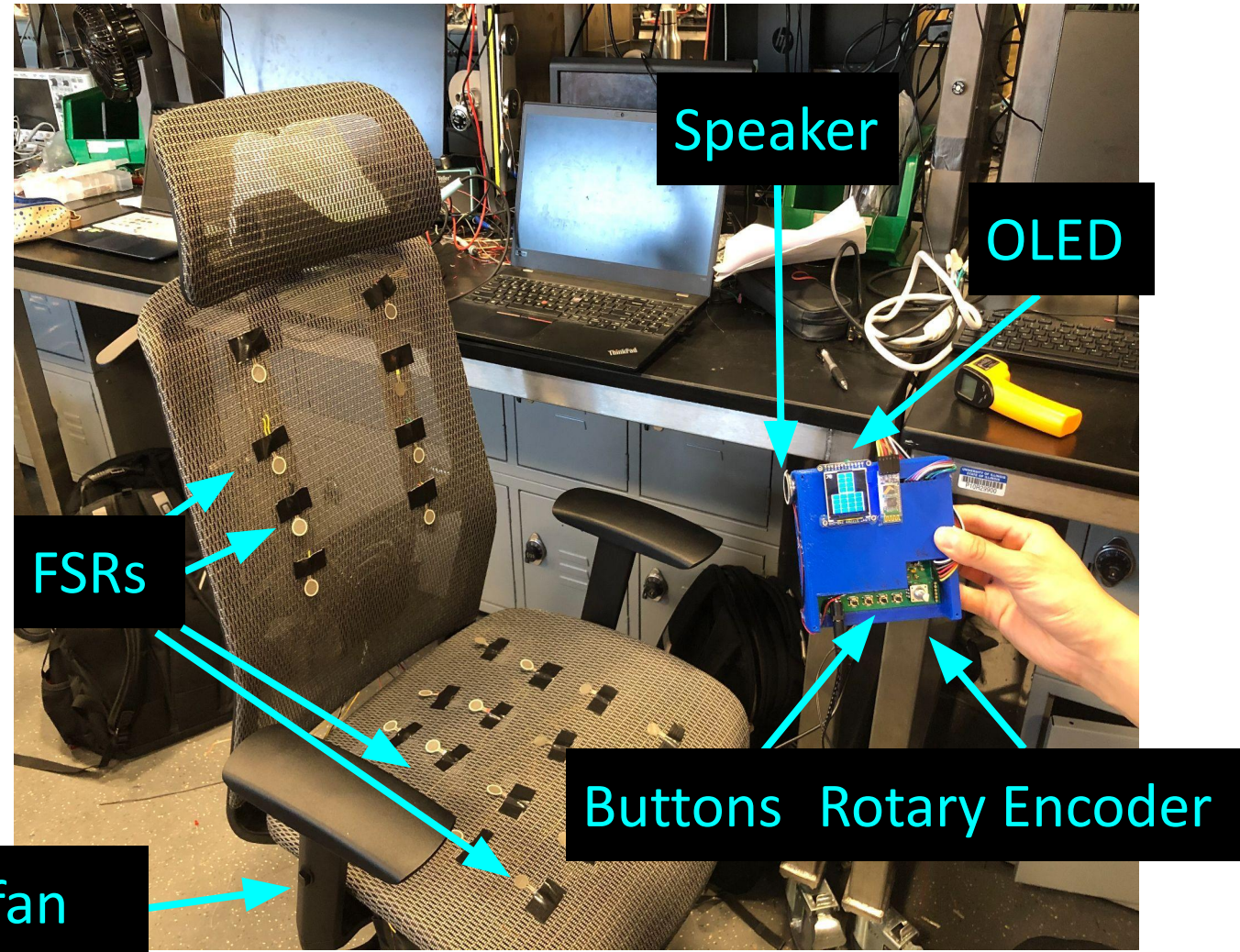
- Sitting too long results in various health hazards
- Sitting improperly is also detrimental to one's health

## Solution

- A Healthy Chair that reminds users to get up and stretch
- UI display screen shows user's sitting posture
- User-friendly system

## High Level Requirements

- Alert user to stand up through speech module
- Display temperature and triggered pressure sensors
- Switch between 3.7V Li-ion battery and 120V AC wall power





## Block Diagram

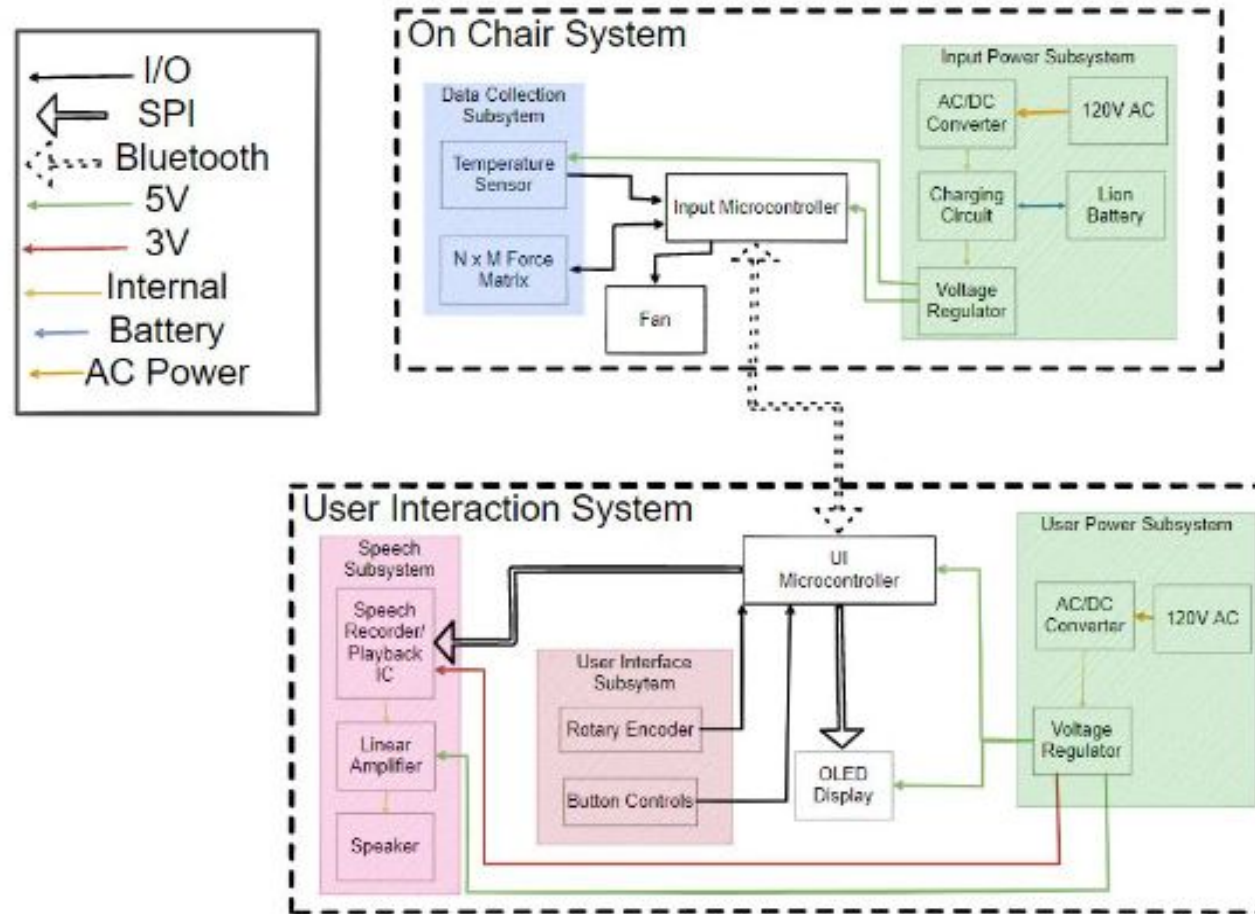
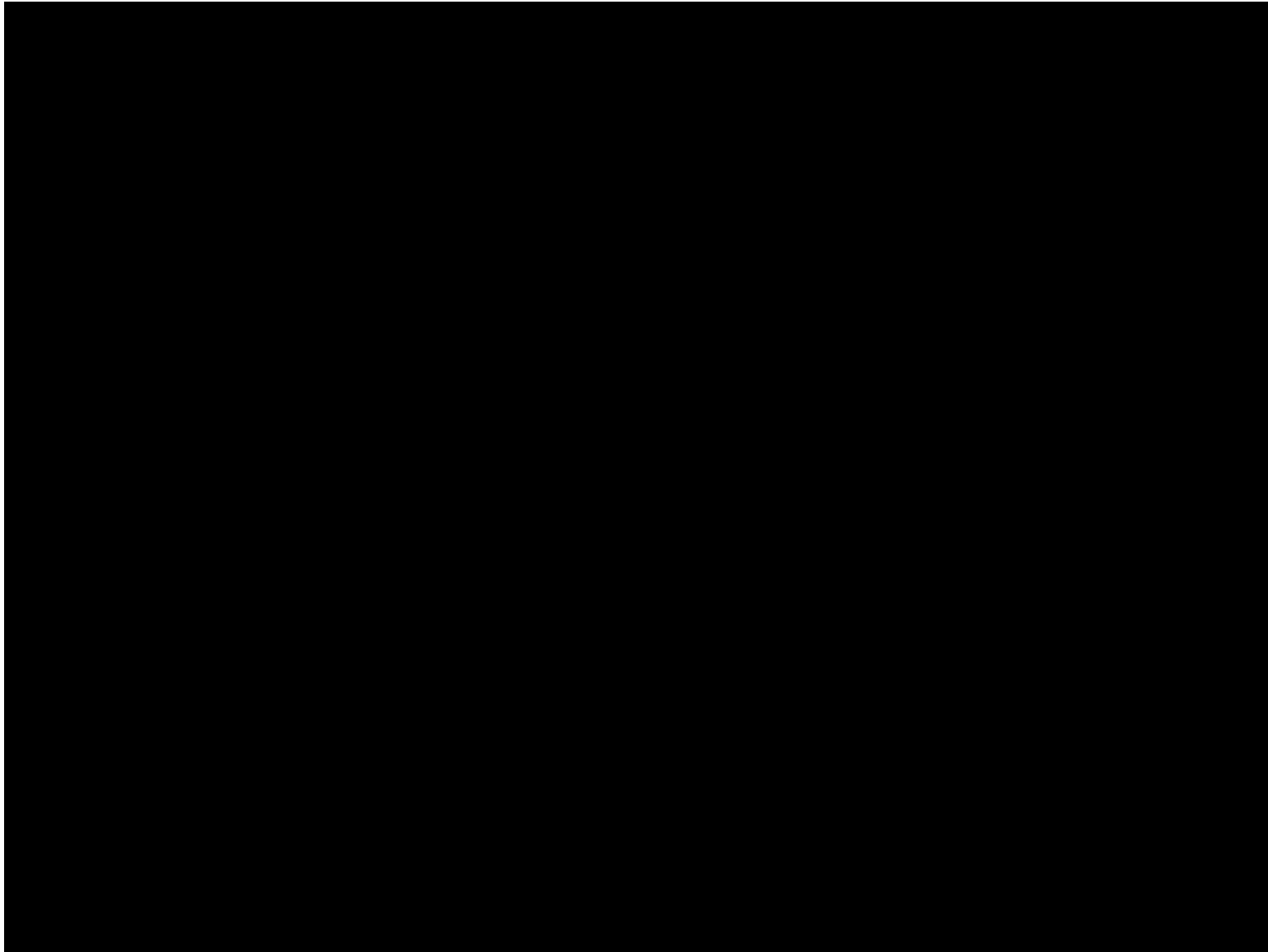
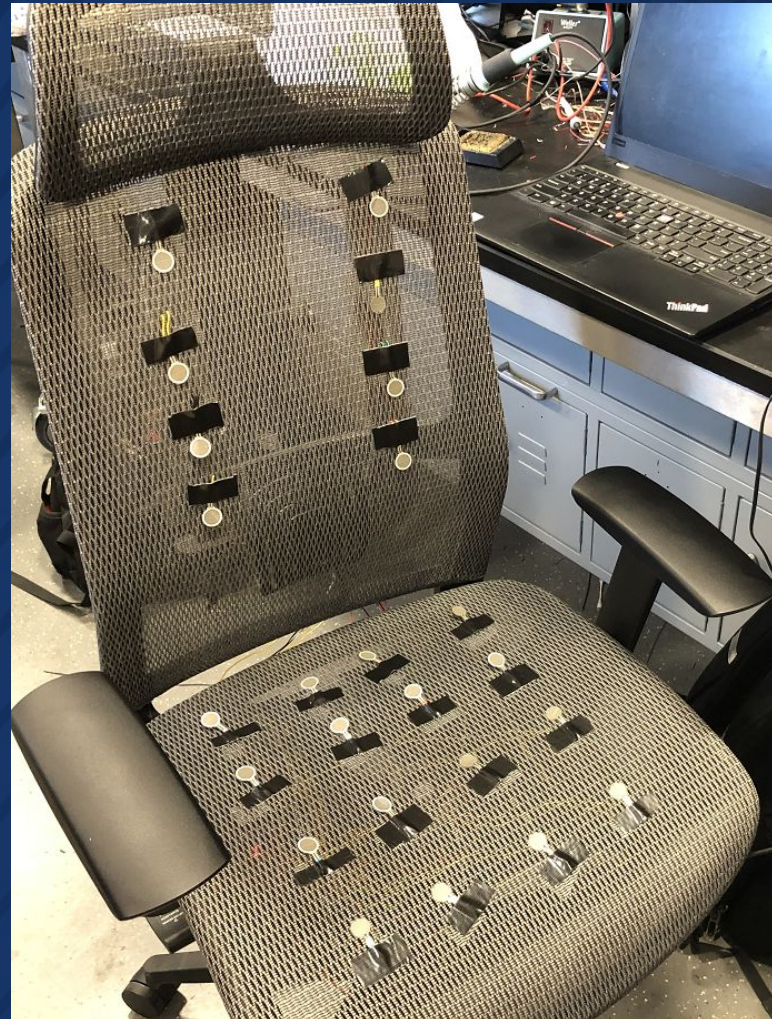


Figure 3: Block Diagram



# On-Chair System





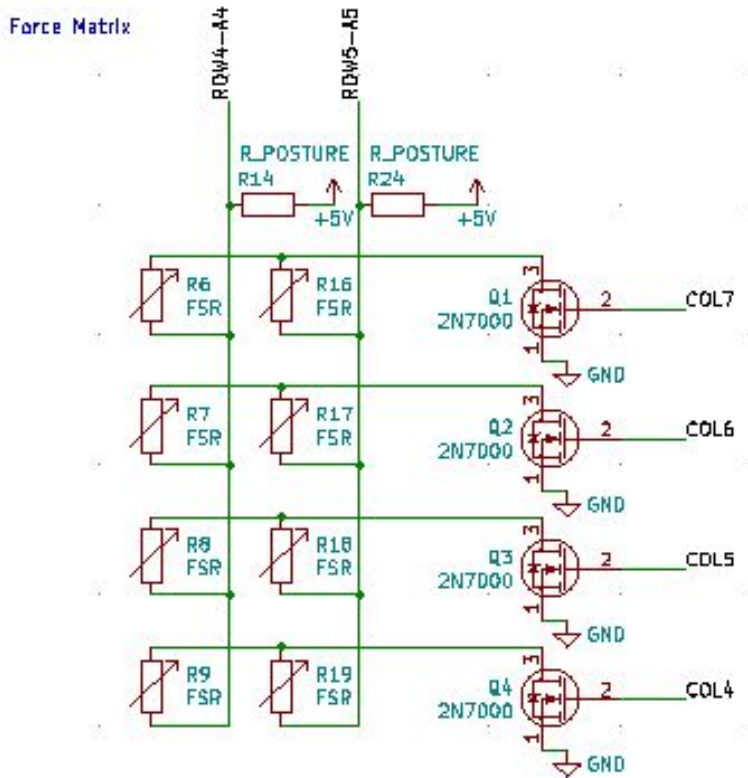


R&V Table

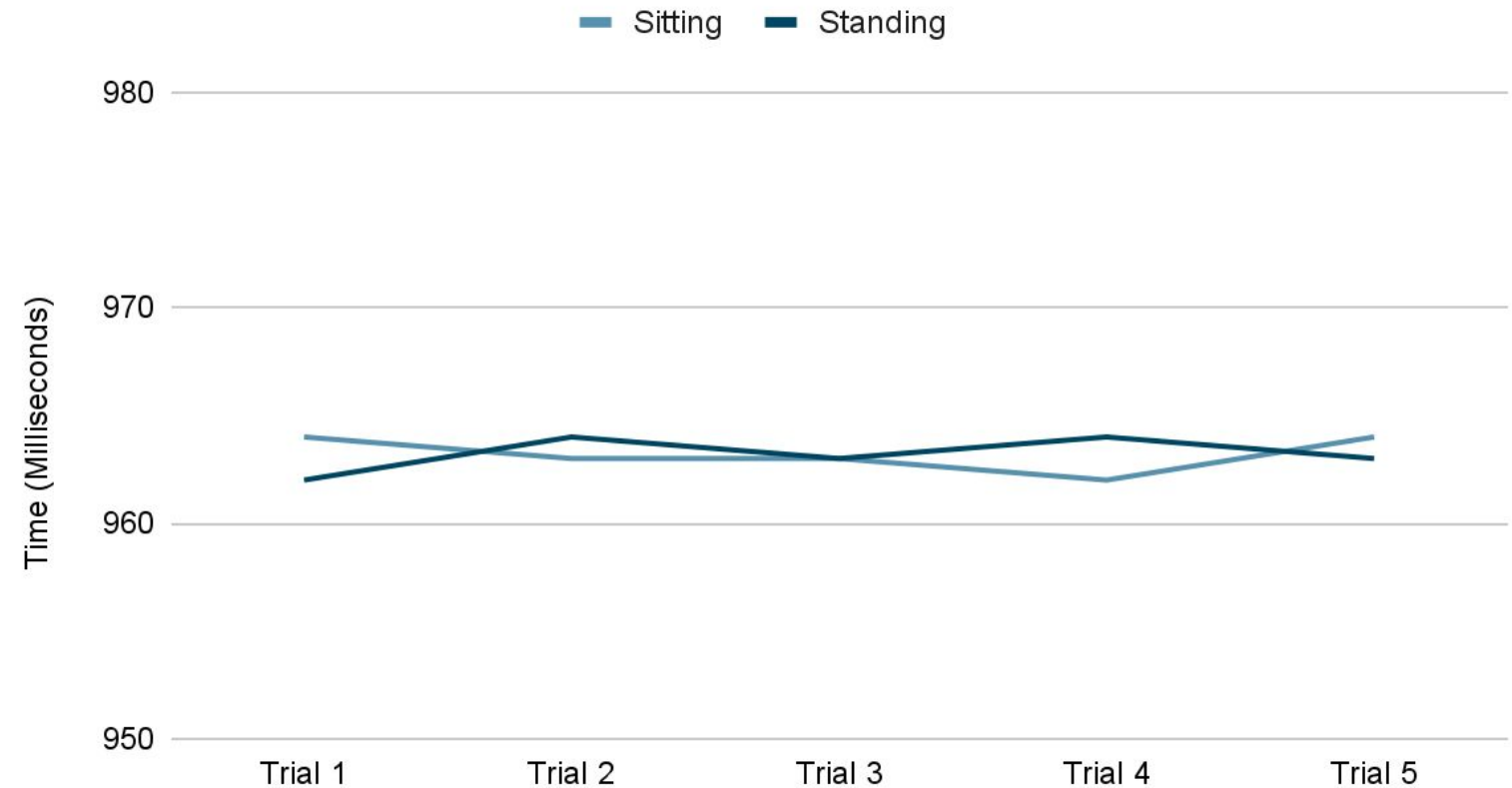
Requirements	Verifications
1. At least 5 different pressure sensing zones	1. Apply 5 different colors on OLED to represent the varying pressure sensing regions
2. Pressure sensors must respond within 10 ms	2. Use Arduino to track response time
3. IR temperature sensor with $\pm 0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ of accuracy	3. Use an infrared thermometer to measure temperature of chair seat



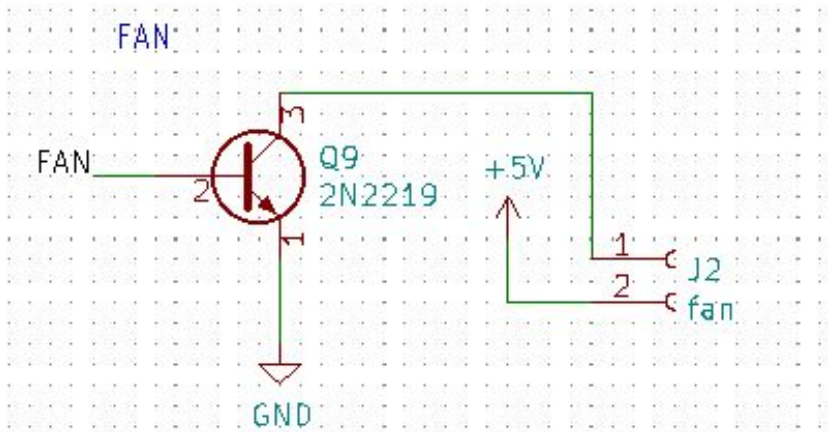
## Schematic and Results



## FSR reading



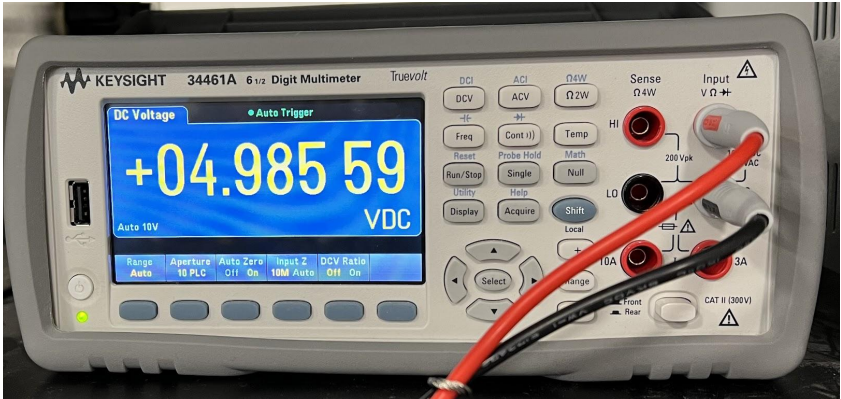
- FSR Delay Hardcoded constant 960 Milliseconds
- No speed change based on amount of pressure sensors activated



R&V Table

Requirements	Verifications	Results
1. Noise output of less than or equal to 25dB	1. Use decibel meter app	1. Noise output of 20.3dB
2. Cools off the chair by $1 \pm 0.5$ °C within 10 minutes	2. Use an infrared thermometer	2. Cools off the chair by 1°F for 4 minutes

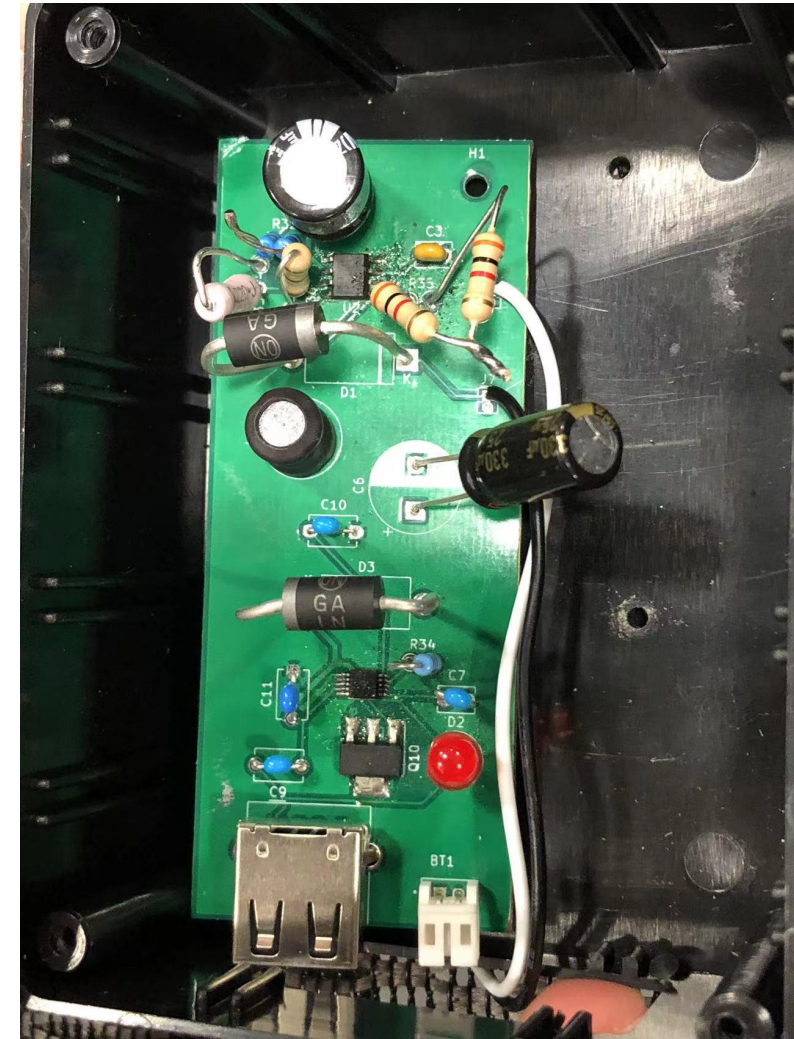
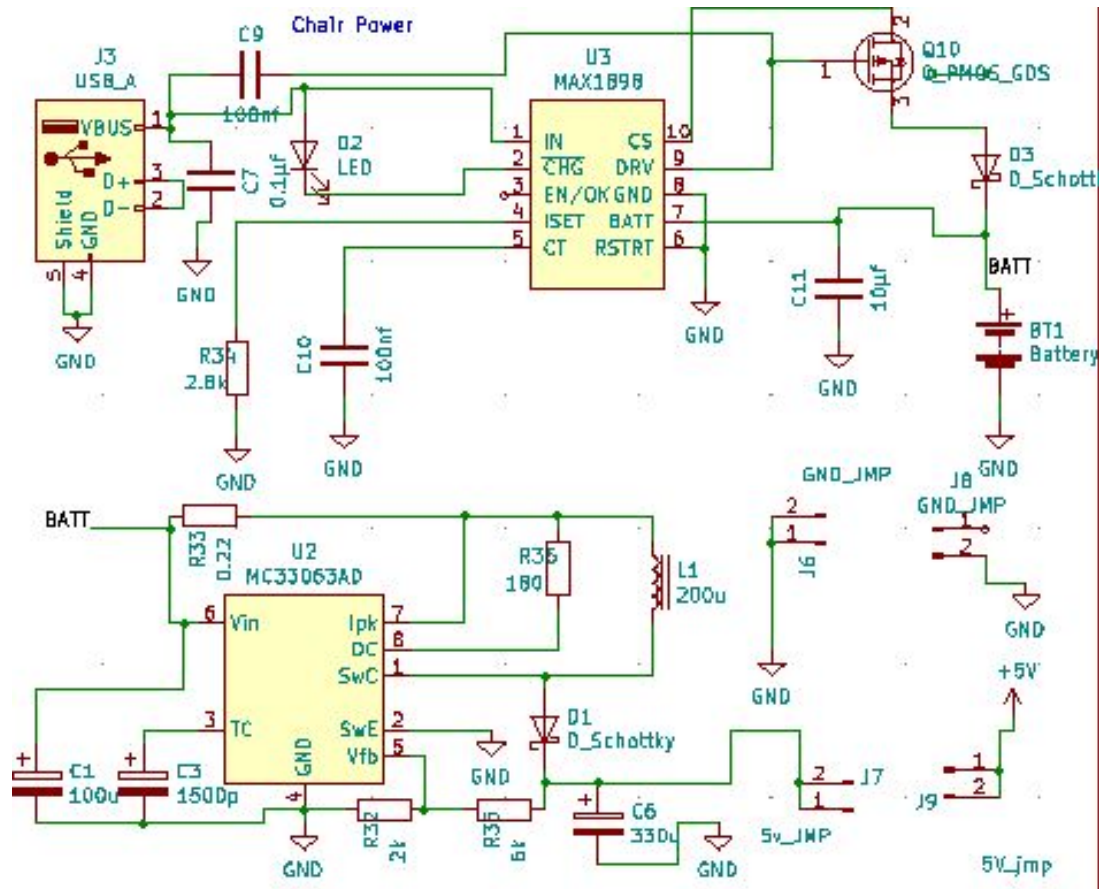
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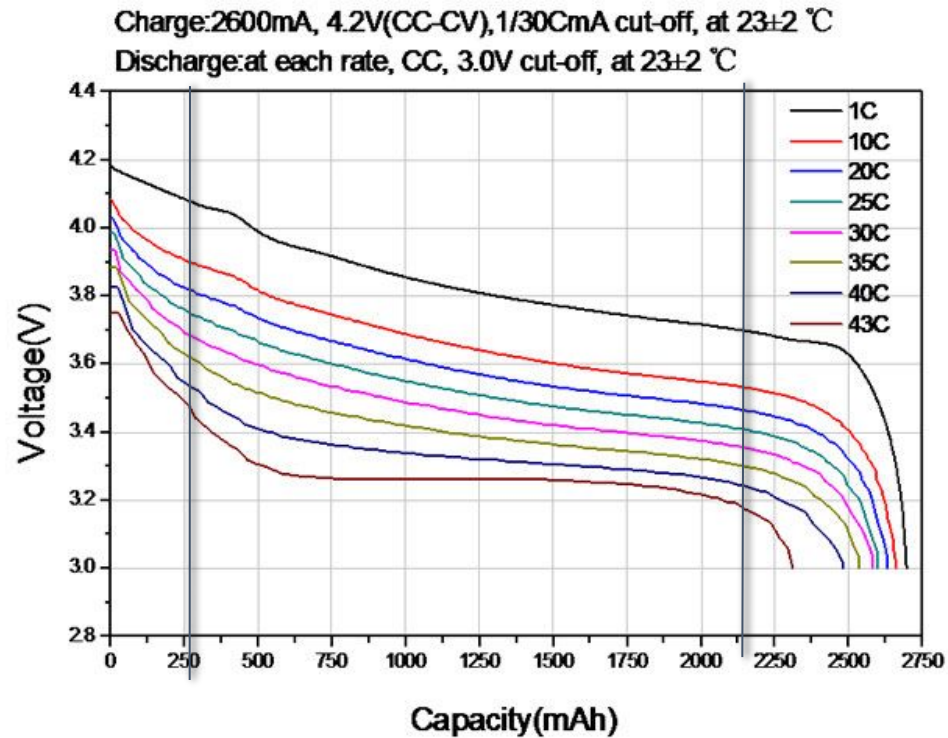
Requirements	Verifications
<div>1. Power drawn from wall when battery is charging</div> <div>2. Battery discharging voltage being greater than 3V</div>	<div>1. Ensure the battery is placed in parallel with the charging circuit output. On-chair components can operate with or without wall power.</div> <div>2. When the system is running, record the voltage of the battery and monitor that it does not fall below 3 V.</div>



## Schematic and PCB

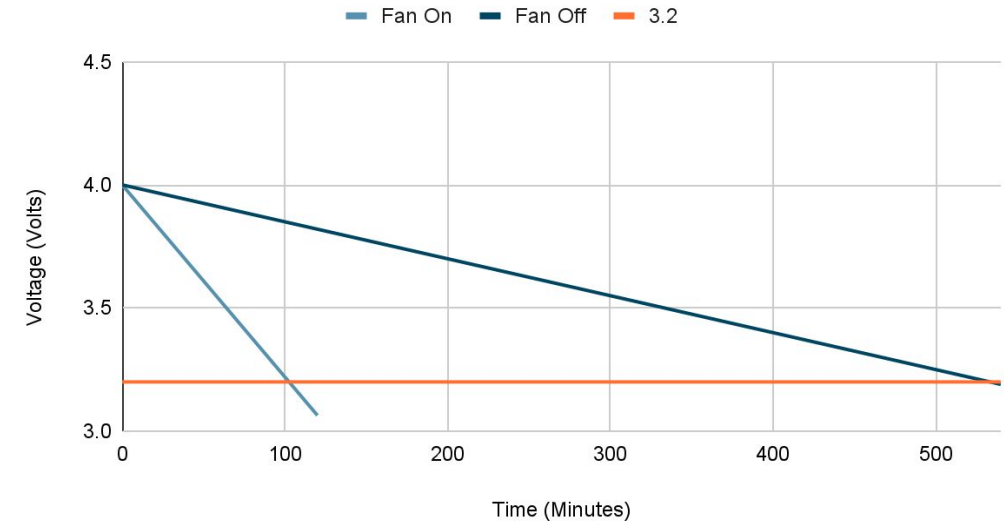


## Battery Discharging Results

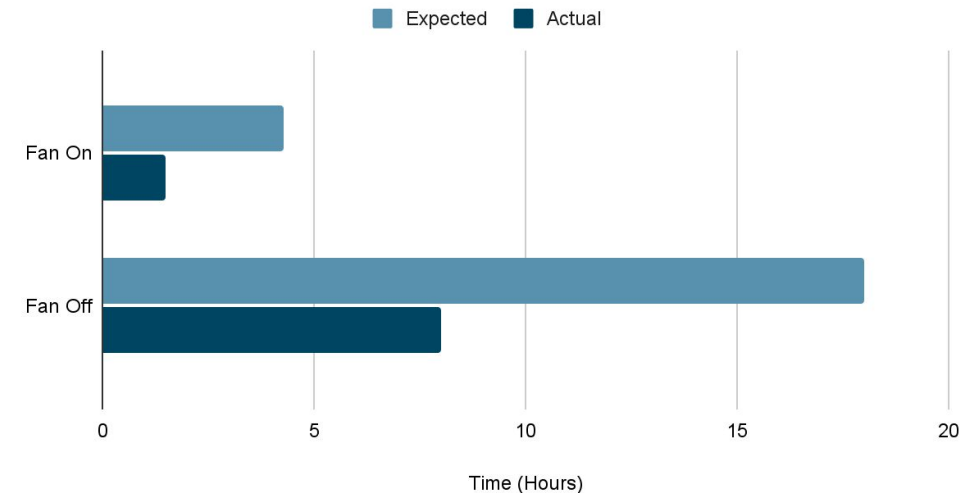


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### Discharge Rate

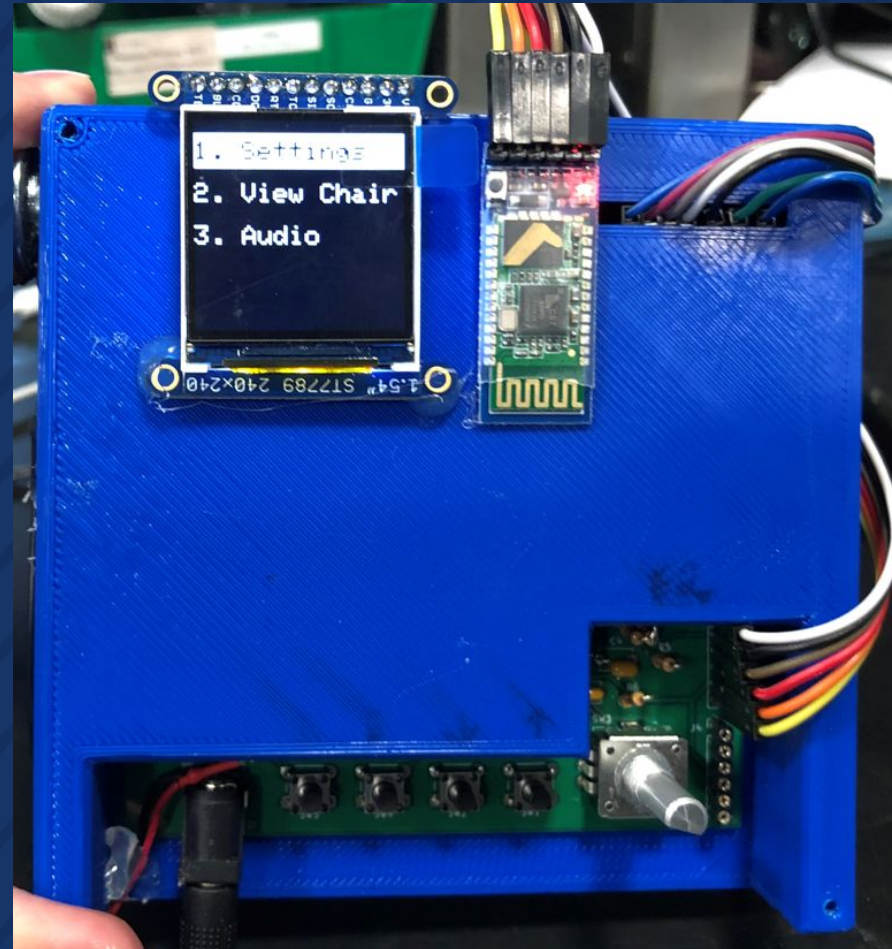


### Run Time

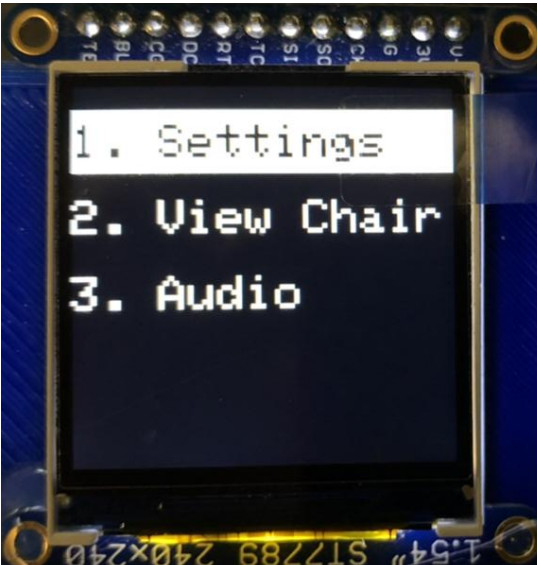
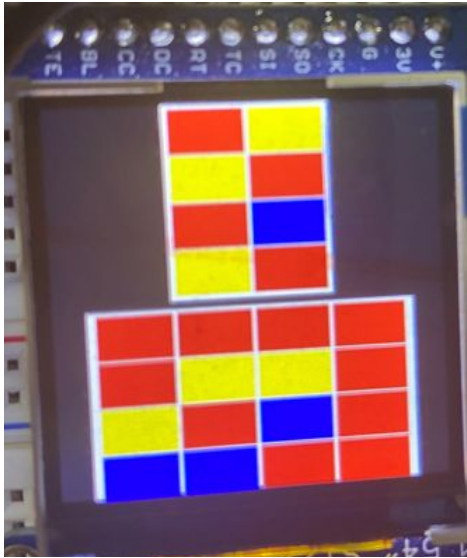
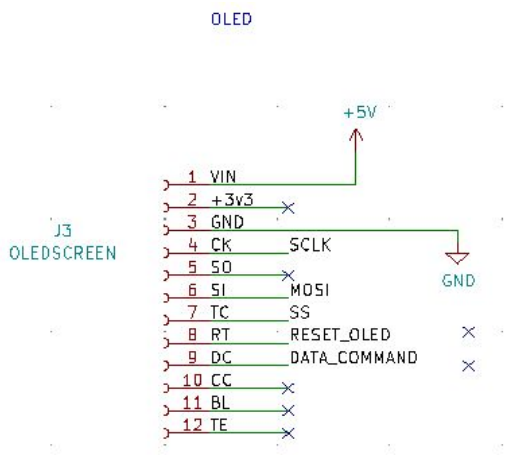




# UI System

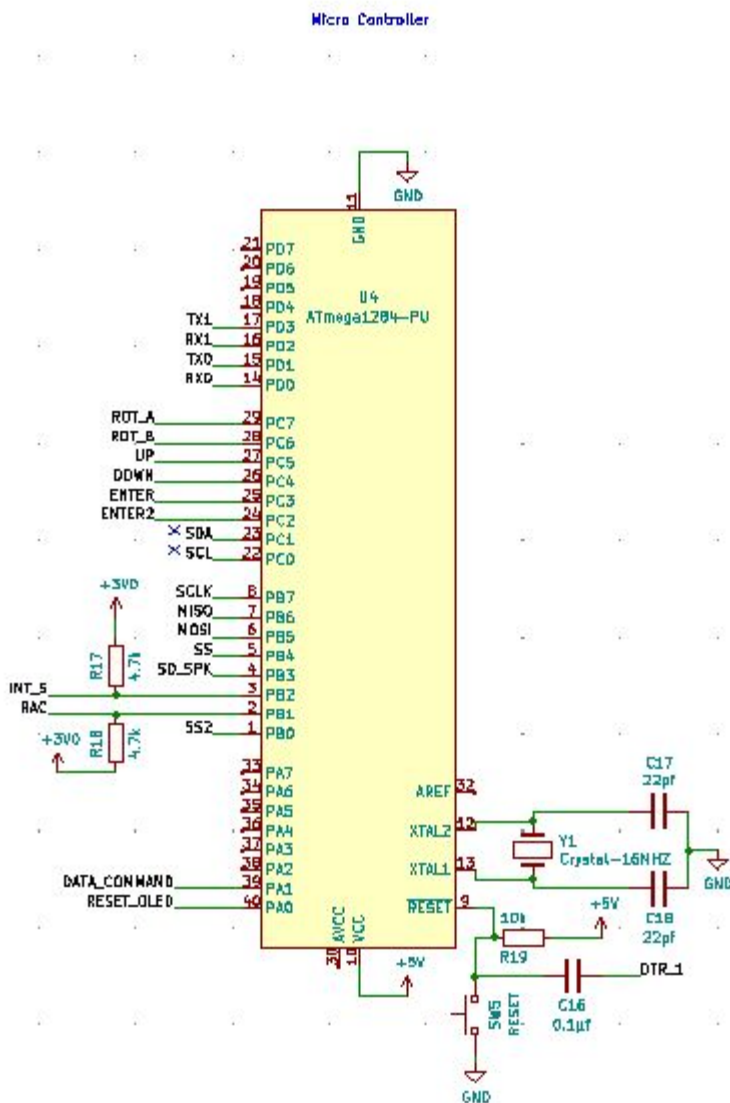






R&V Table

Requirements	Verifications
1. Display all pertinent information	1. Watch and test display
2. Response time within one second from input	2. Use timer to record response time



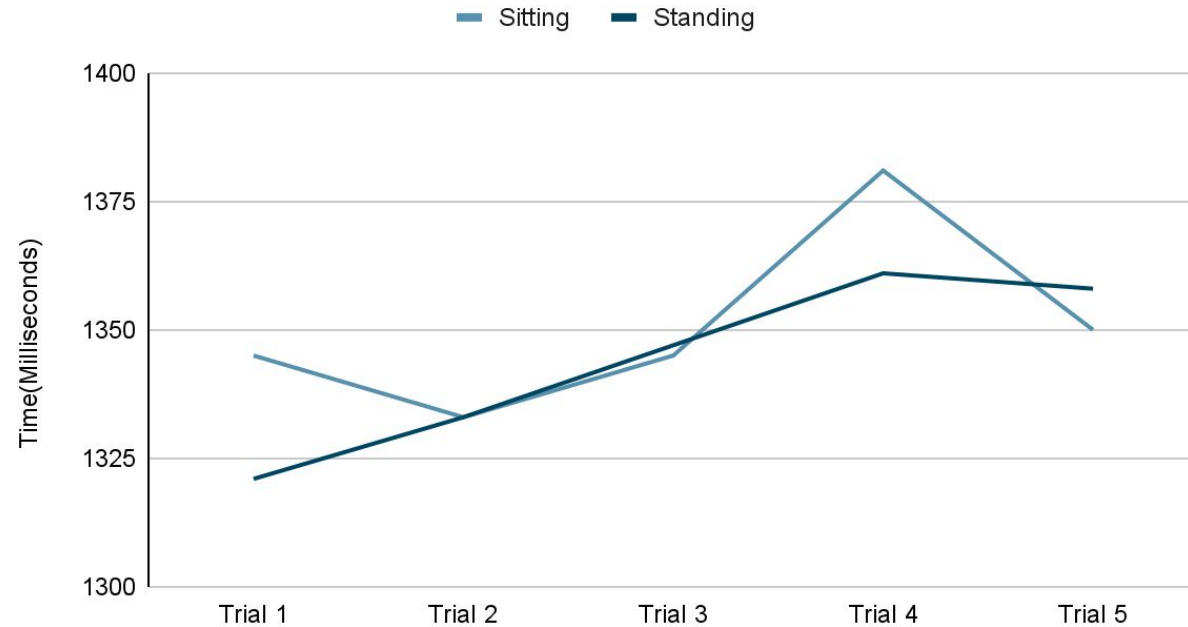
R&V Table

Requirements	Verifications
1. Communicate via bluetooth	1. Data received from the other microcontroller within 2 seconds of asking
2. User parameters can be changed from the user interface.	2. User Interface changes the parameters on the display quickly and accurately
3. Parameters are remembered between power cycles.	3. Parameters should stay constant after we plug and unplug the UI system

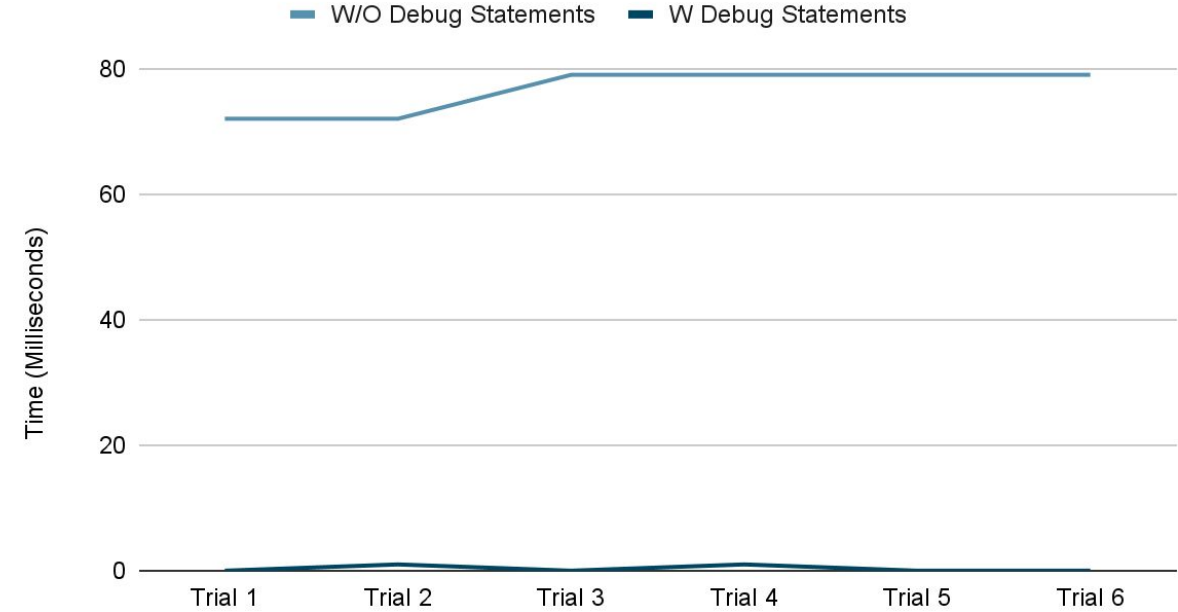
# Design: UI System Timing Results



## UI Bluetooth Response Time



## Data Processing UI Side



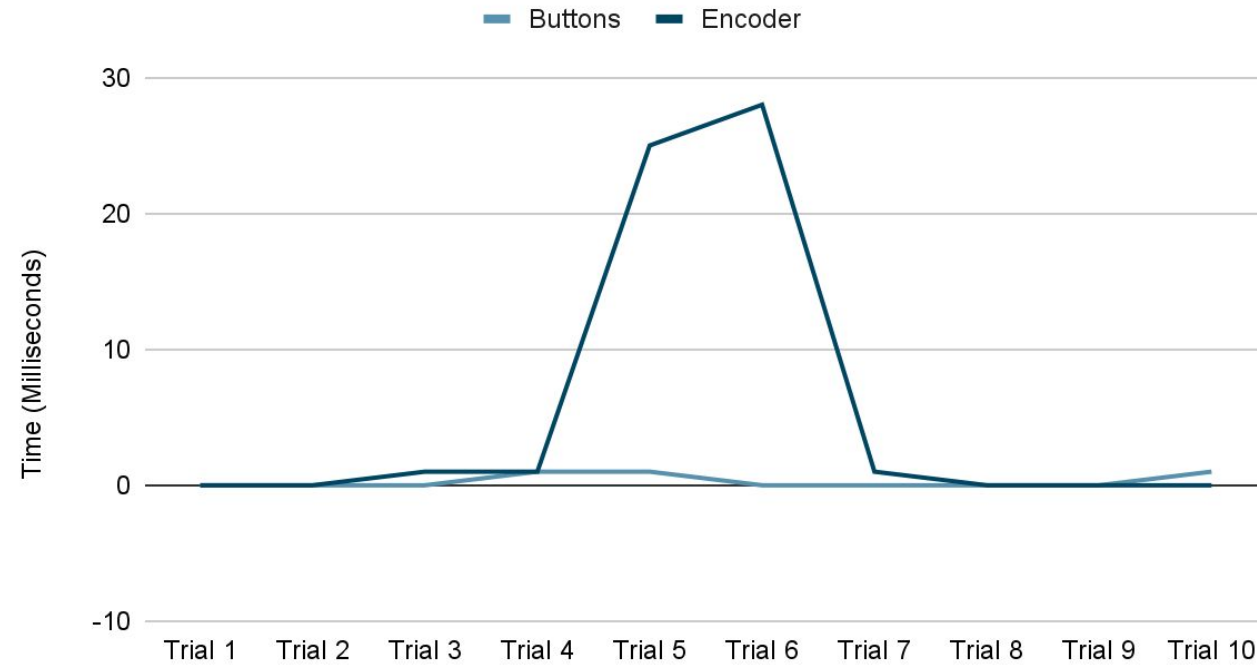
- Bluetooth response time encapsulates sending, receiving, and processing data
- Bluetooth response time is limited by sending and receiving
- Data processing was demonstrated with debug statements



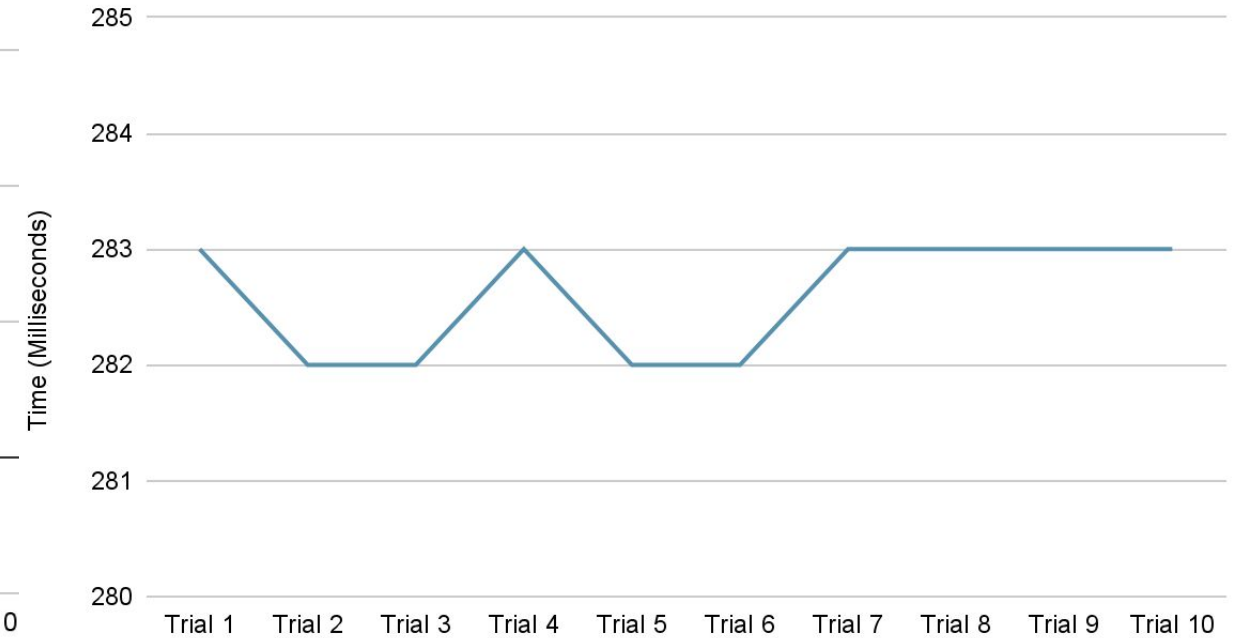
# Design: User Interface Subsystem Timing Results



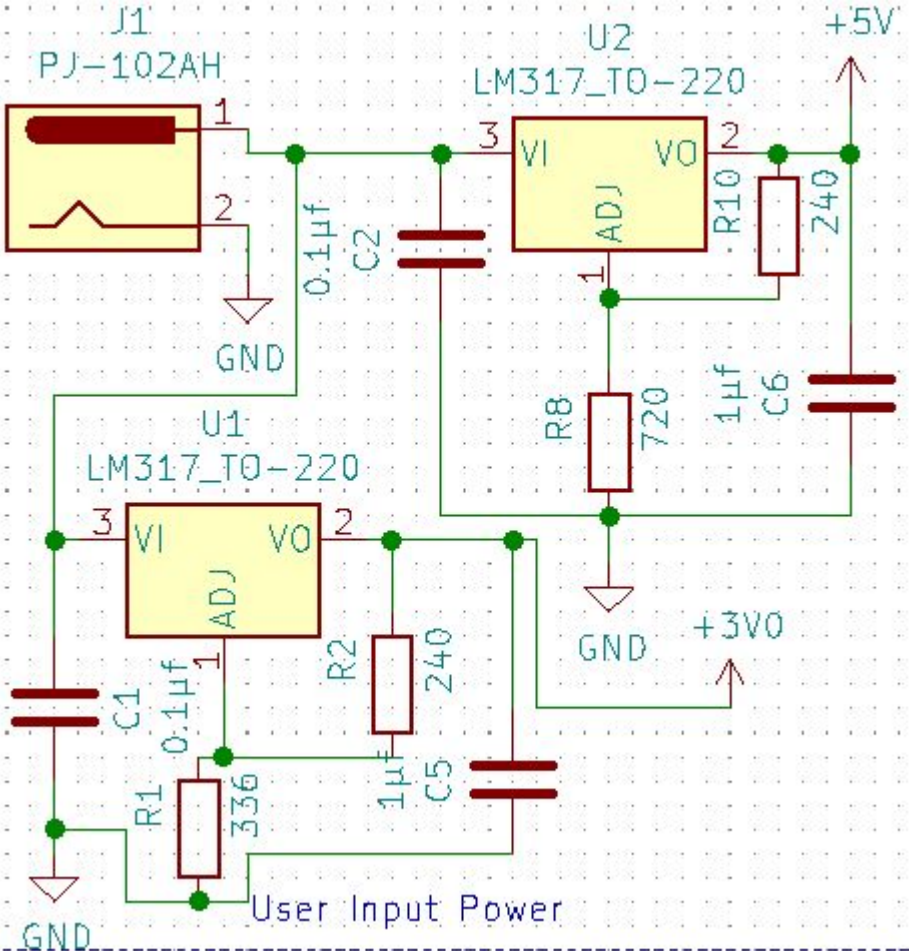
## User Input Timing



## OLED Drawing time



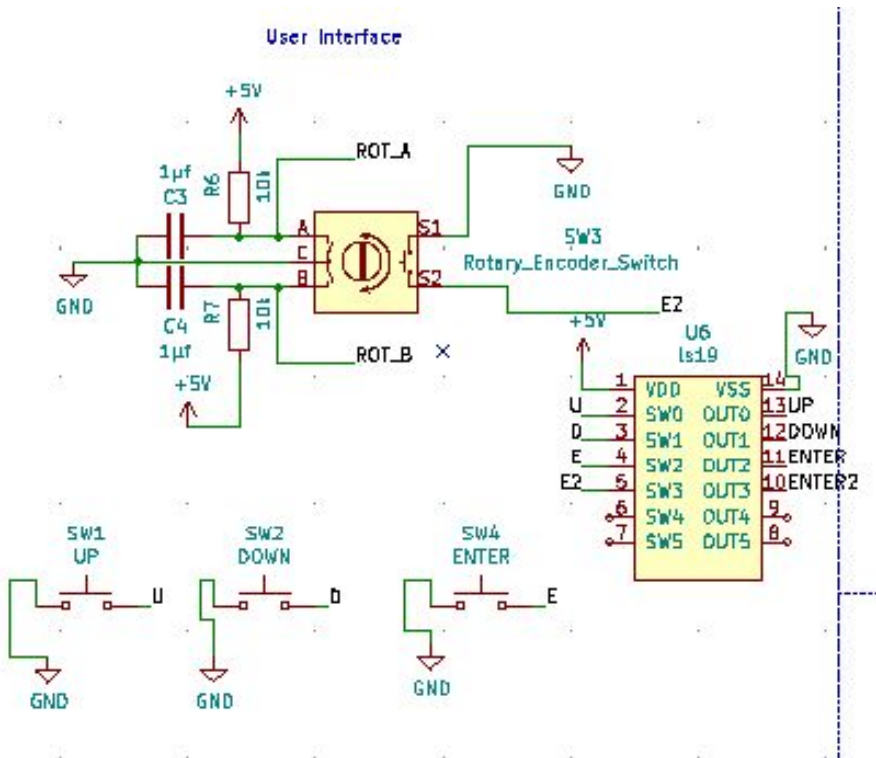
- User buttons add almost no time to interrupts
- OLED drawing time based on updated chair mapping



R&V Table

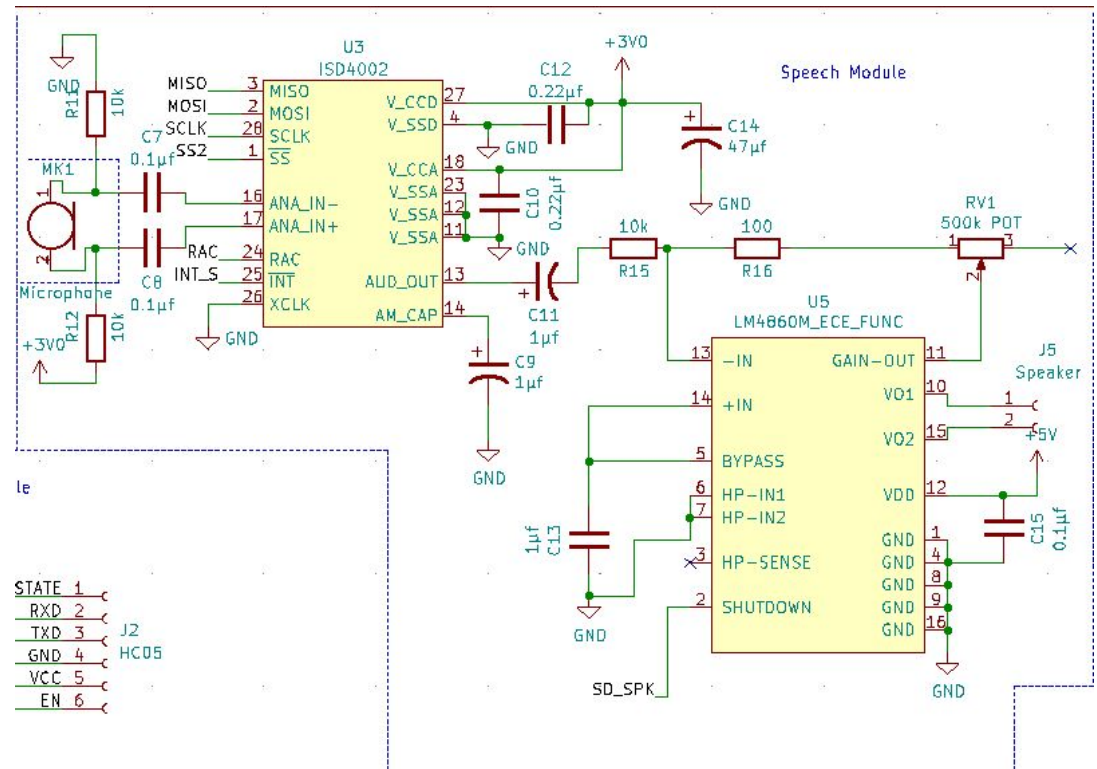
Requirements	Verifications
1. Both linear voltage regulators must provide $5 \pm 0.5 \text{ V}$ and $3 \pm 0.3 \text{ V}$	1. With the load(s) connected to either 3 V or 5 V regulator, the output voltage is measured within 10% of 3 V and 5 V

R&V Table



Requirements	Verifications
1. All buttons and rotary encoder react to user input	1. Clicking the buttons and twisting the encoder should change menus and settings on the OLED display.





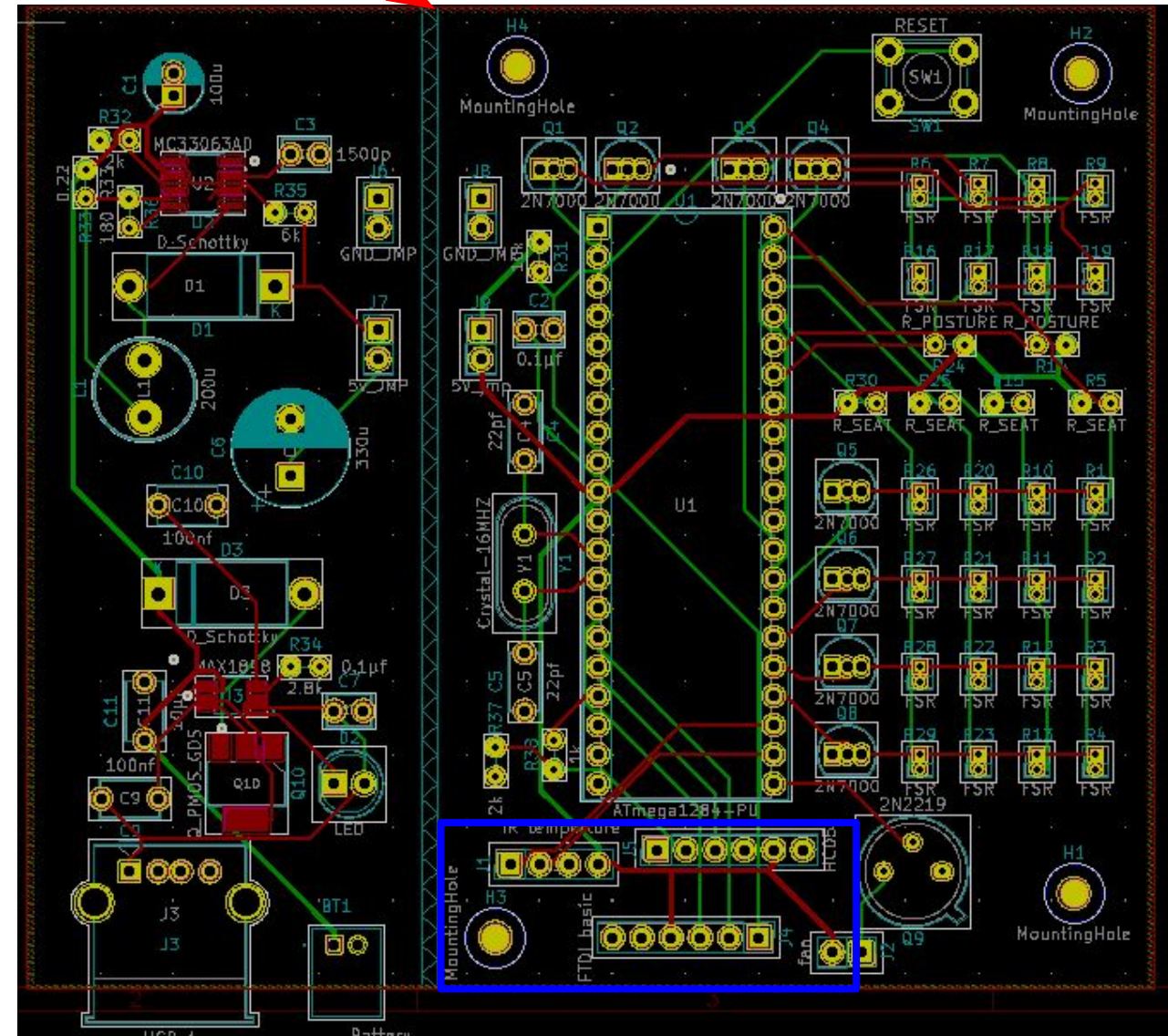
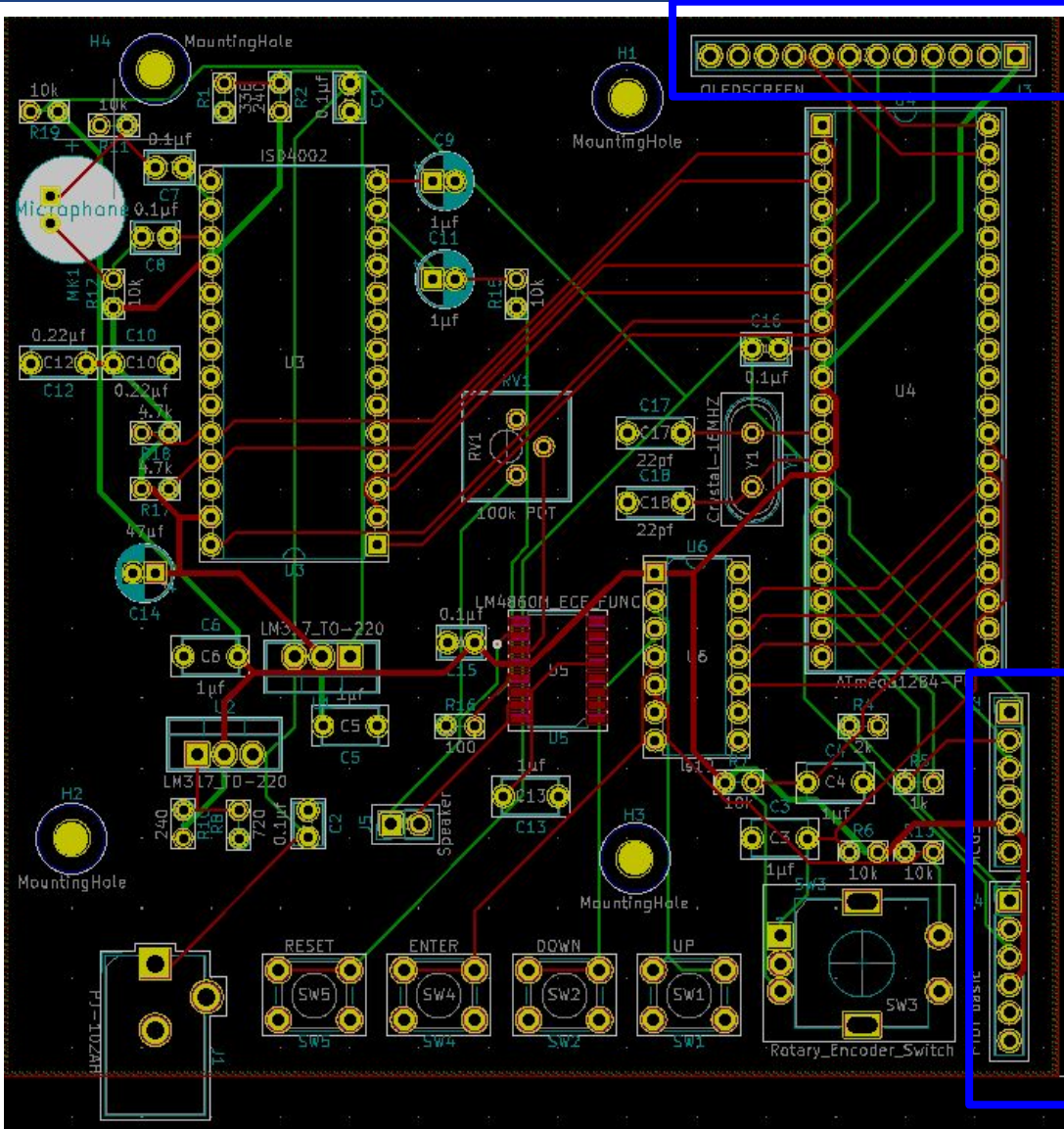
R&V Table

Requirements	Verifications
1. Record and playback our voices for 5-15 seconds	1. Record a 10-second speech of warning into the speech module and make sure it can record and accurately play back the recordings.

Gain = 2\* RV1 / R15 = 2\* 500k / 10k = 100

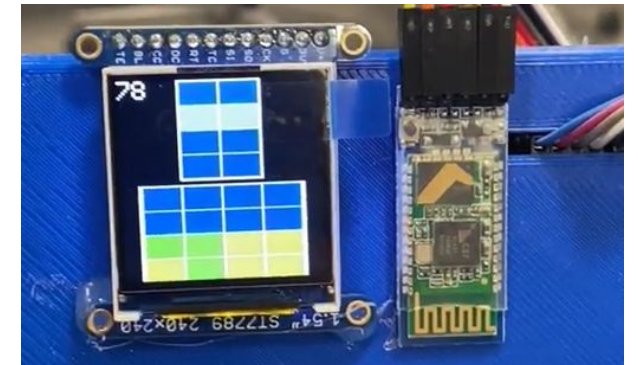
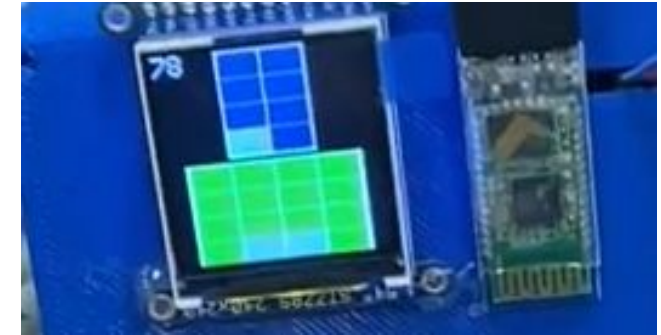
Too large gain significantly amplifies environment noise!

# PCB Design and Issues





- Sensors on the seat accurately portray how you are sitting
- Fan is responsive to temperature changes
- System obeys user parameters
- Pressure sensors exposed on chair surfaces
- Hard to overcome the force threshold on the sensors on the back
- Wires are messy under the chair



## Future Work

- Add a cushion or cover so the sensors are not able to be seen
- Utilize pressure sensors with lower activation ranges on the back of the chair
- Run wires through the sides of the chairs
- Add a battery for UI system to enhance portability
- Low power mode





# Thank You

**All Questions are Welcome**



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