HouseAUTO

House Automation & Multimodal Input Devices for IOT Infrastructure

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Motivation

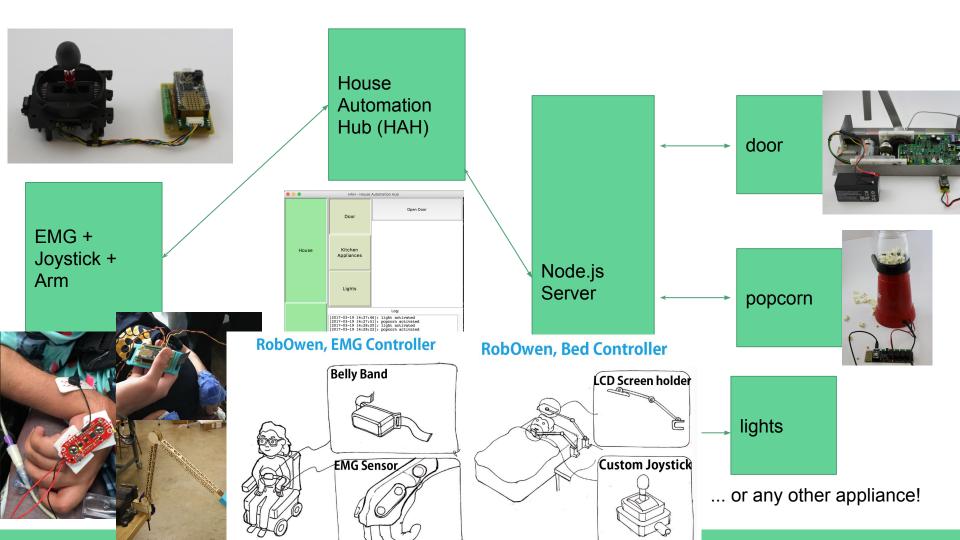
Need Knower: Owen Kent

- Current joystick:
 - Cannot properly click, right-click or drag items
 - Permanently mounted on wheelchair (only joystick)
- Door operates via RFID system and Press-Plate Button near door
 - Very buggy
 - Must hit button to let in people without keys
- Common house appliances
 - No way to control the lights in his own room
 - \circ $\,$ $\,$ Can not talk to other devices, such as popcorn maker $\,$

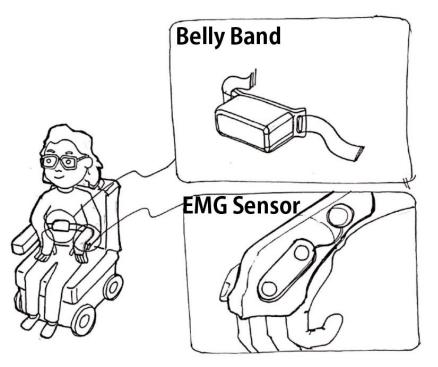
Our Solution

- New input joystick device that can be used while prone in bed
- Tablet application that serves a hub to control devices around the house
- Two input sensors on the hands for right and left mouse click

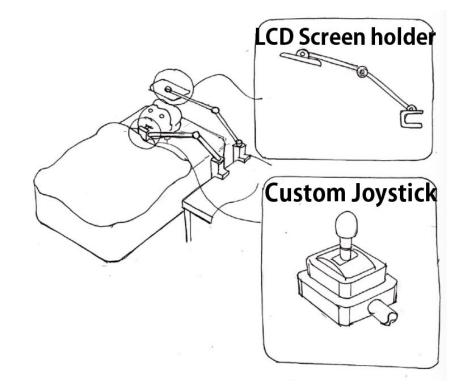
Design Process







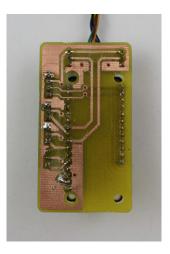
RobOwen, Bed Controller



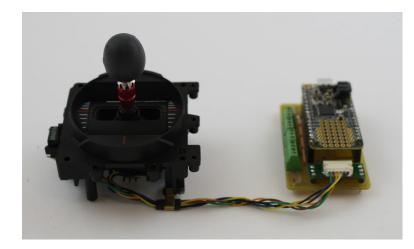
New Input Device - Joystick

- Feather M0 MCU as USB mouse to any computer
- Analog Joystick for XY position
- Custom soft 3D printed SLA tip for comfort and grip
- Custom PCB





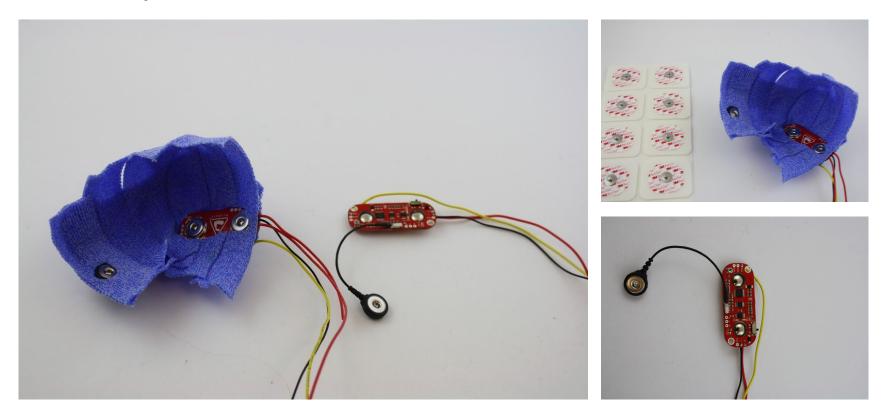


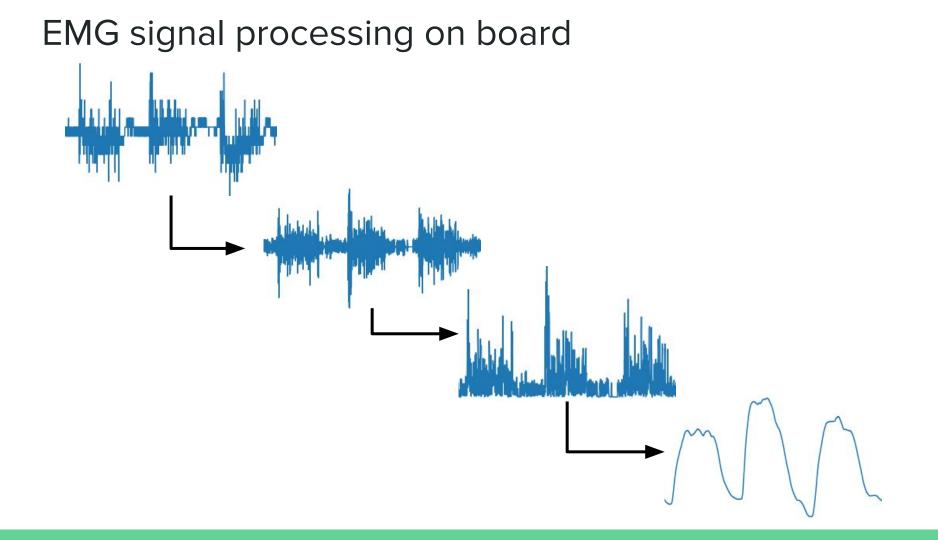


New Input Device - EMG + Accelerometer

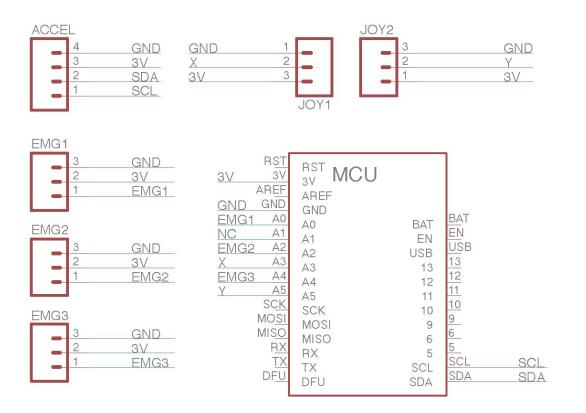
- Capture slight movement of hands and stomach
 - Muscle Rehabilitation
 - Intuitive Input
- Electromyographic (EMG) sensors on each hand for clicks
 - Right hand right click
 - Left hand left click/click and drag
 - Hold both hands for powering system on/off
- 3-axis accelerometer to detect voluntary stomach movements

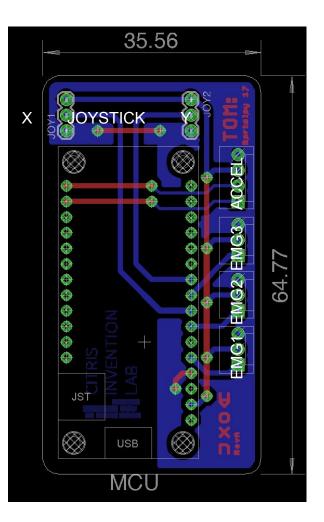
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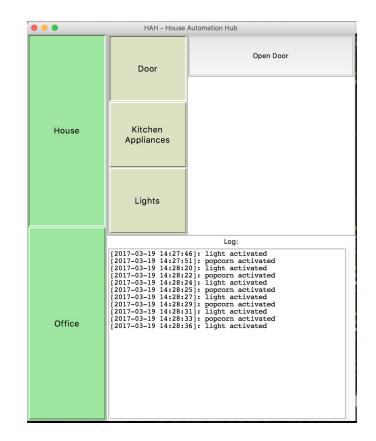
Axon Board





Application + Server

- Cross-platform tablet application sends commands
- Local node.js server receives commands
- Server relays information to Particle Photon MCU (custom PCB)



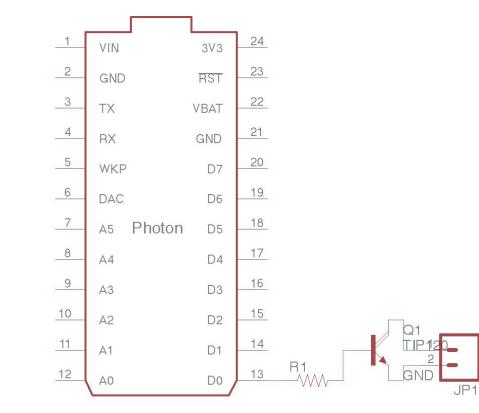
Control of Devices

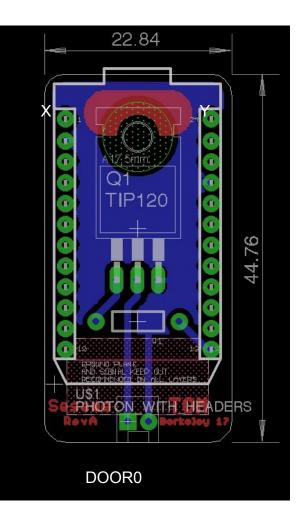
- Hacked Opensesame door motor
 - Graceful degradation
 - Much easier control of door position





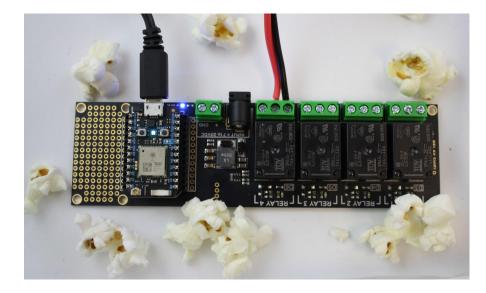
Sesame Board





Control of Devices

• Particle Photon relay board interfaces with household appliances



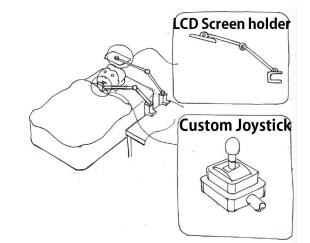


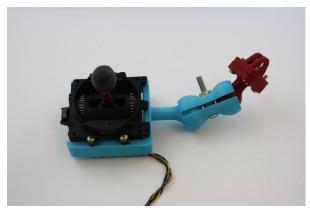
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Mechanical Mount Design

- Bedside mounts hold new joystick and tablet
 - Laser Cut and 3D printed fabrication (Fusion360)
 - Modular joints allow flexible placement

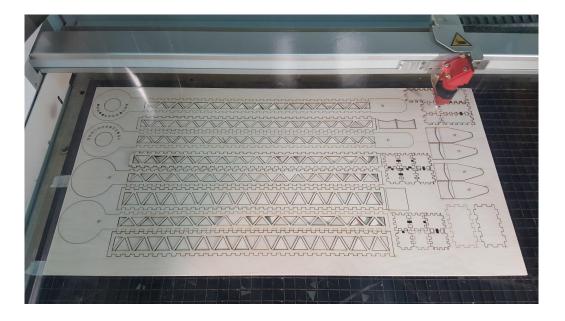


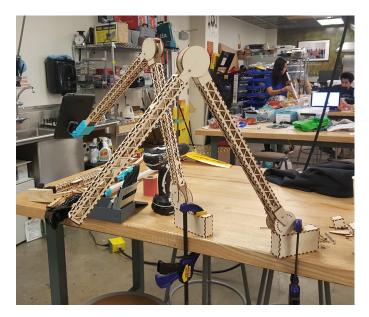




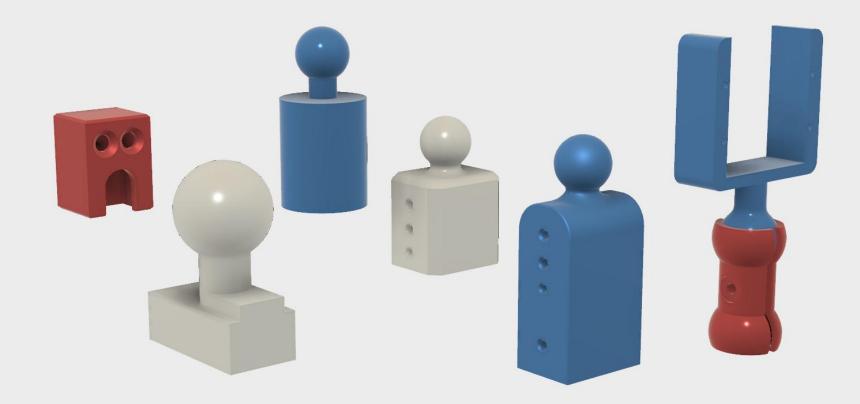
Laser-cut arms:

one to hold a tablet; one to hold a joystick



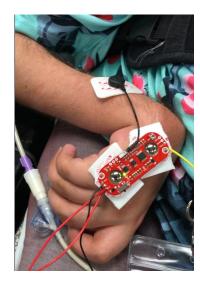


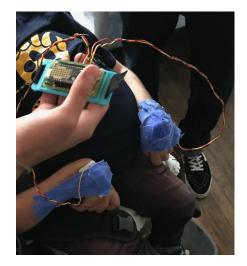
Custom 3D-Printed Ball-Joints and Mounts



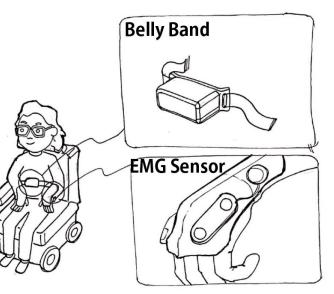
Mechanical Mount Design

- EMG electrodes embedded in custom formed cast
- Fabric fo stomach accelerometer





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Video / Photos / Demo