

# AUTONOMOUS SURFACE VEHICLE

ASV 2008 – Son of a Boatname



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ASV 2009 – SS Boatname

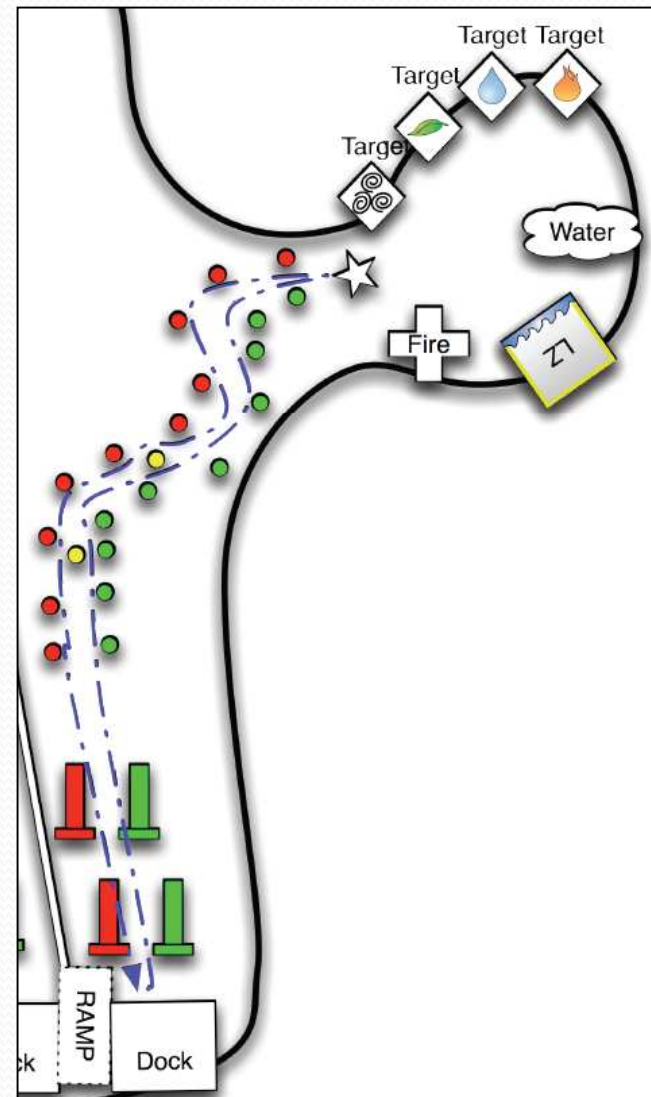
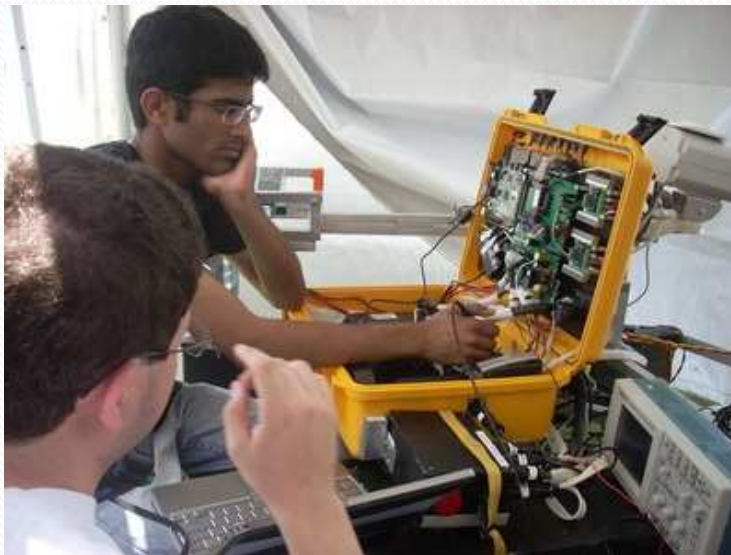


ASV 2009 – Boatname the Brave



# Autonomous Surface Vehicle

- Robotics Club at UCF
- AUVSI and ONR
- Virginia Beach, Virginia
- Strong History
- [www.roboboats.org](http://www.roboboats.org)



# Objectives and Goals

- Improve on Last Year
- 25 V DC System
  - Efficient Power Distribution
  - Increase Run Time (2 hours)
- Monitor System Vitals
- Safe Vehicle
- Ergonomic Layout



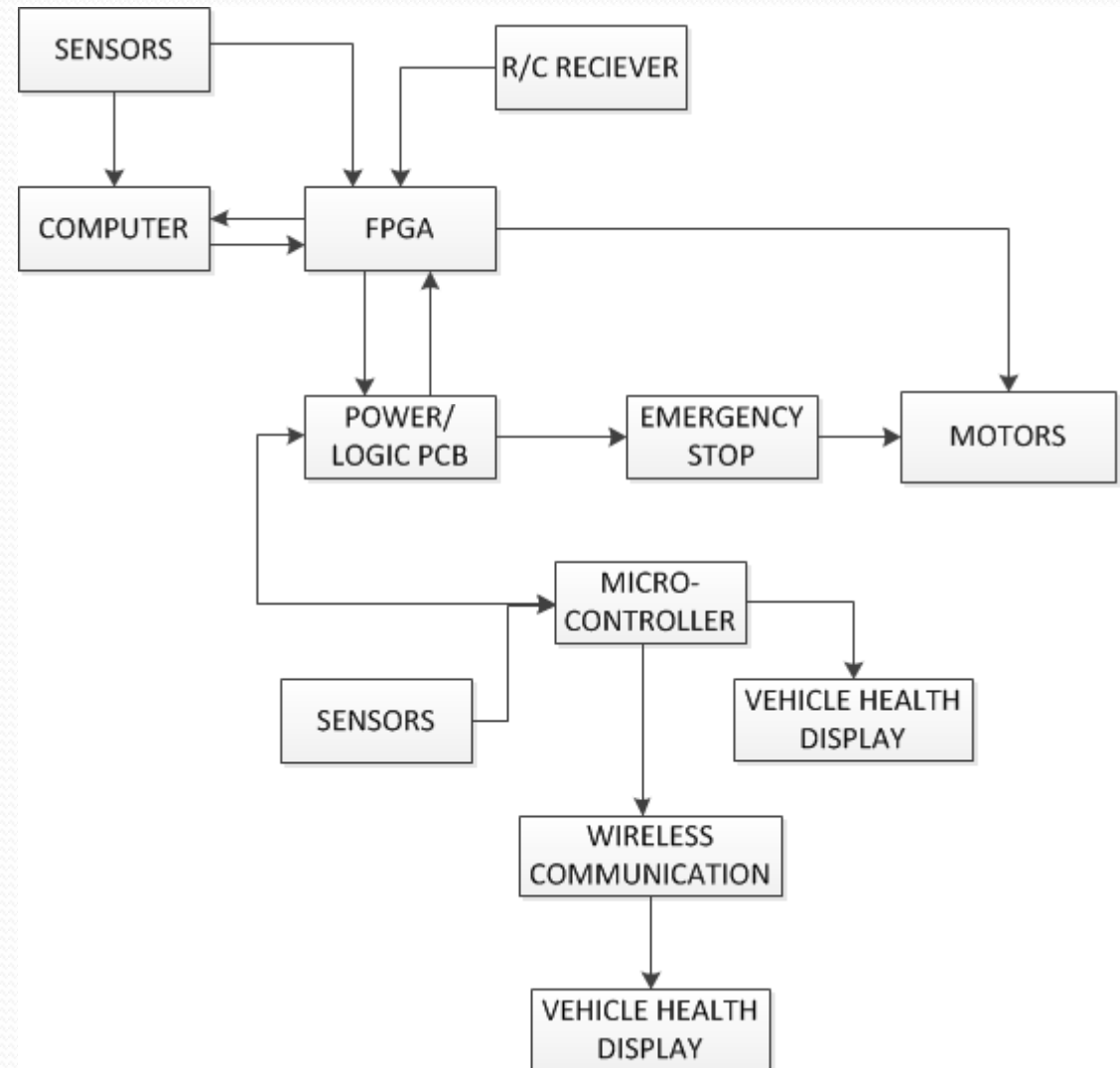


# Specifications and Requirements

- Nominally operate using our 16 V DC and 25 V DC batteries
- $\geq 85\%$  Efficiency
- Monitor input voltage and current with  $\pm 1.0\%$  accuracy
- Monitor temperature and humidity with  $\pm 3.0\%$  accuracy
- Seamlessly switch from shore power to battery power
- Meet all rules and regulations set forth by AUVSI

# Project Block Diagram

- Power/Logic PCB
  - Integrates most power and signals
- Microcontroller
  - Simple sensors & feedback
- FPGA
  - Communication with computer and input/output signals





# Budget

## Future Costs:

- Travel - \$2,000
- Sensors - \$400
- PCB - \$100
- Course - \$400

## Sponsors:

- IST
- Northrop Grumman
- SGA

ITEM	FINANCE	APPROXIMATE COST
Stereo Vision	Lockheed Martin	\$3,000
GPS	ASV Team	\$1,500
Compass	ASV Team	\$1,500
Course	ASV Team	\$1000
Batteries	ASV Team	\$1,000
Camera	ASV Team	\$700
FPGA	ASV Team	\$150
Unibrain	ASV Team	\$100
<b>Subtotal (Already Purchased)</b>		<b>\$8,950</b>
LIDAR	Sponsorship	\$3,950
ASV Computer	Sponsorship	\$1,000
Crust Crawler Motors	ASV Team	\$2,000
Motor Controllers	ASV Team	\$850
PCB Components	ASV Team	\$500
Mechanical	ASV Team	\$500
ZigBee Pro 900Mhz	ASV Team	\$150
HD Webcam	ASV Team	\$100
Pelican Case	ASV Team	\$100
Connectors	ASV Team	\$100
LCD Screens	ASV Team	\$60
Microcontroller	ASV Team	\$20
<b>Subtotal (New Costs)</b>		<b>\$9,330</b>
<b>Total Cost</b>		<b>\$18,280</b>

# POWER – Batteries / Shore Power

- Available Batteries
  - 4 Cell – 16 V DC Nominal
  - 6 Cell – 25 V DC Nominal
    - More efficient – 33% Savings
- Shore Power
  - Power Supply
    - 24 V DC @ 25 A
- Needs to operate using any battery combination



# Power – Linear vs. Switching

- Linear

- High Efficiency when  $V_{in}-V_{out}$  is small
- Low Noise
- Dissipates Heat

- Switching

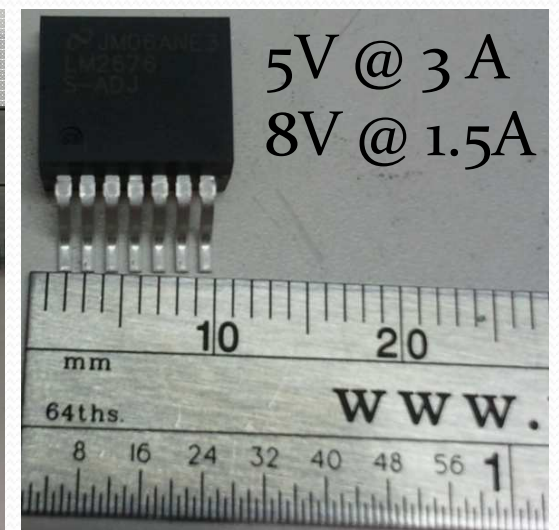
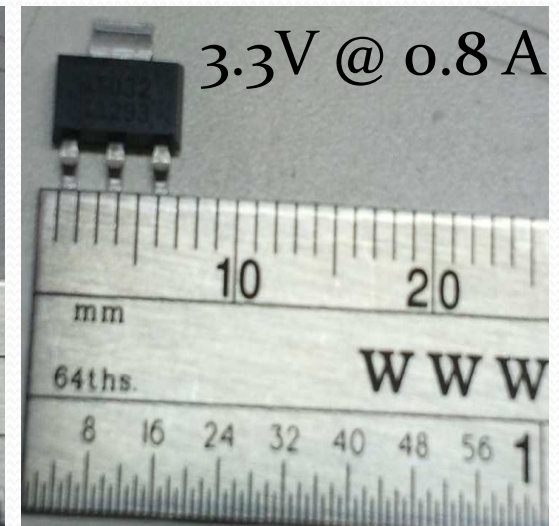
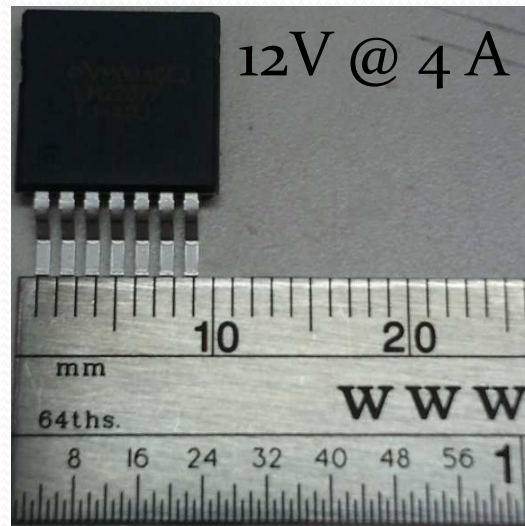
- High Efficiency
- Low Heat Dissipation
- More Complex
- Switching Ripple

Regulator	Input (V)	Output (V)	Output (I)	Type
1	25	12	2.5	Switching
2	25	12	0.5	Switching
3	25	8	0.5	Switching
4	25	5	2.0	Switching
5	5	3.3	0.3	Linear



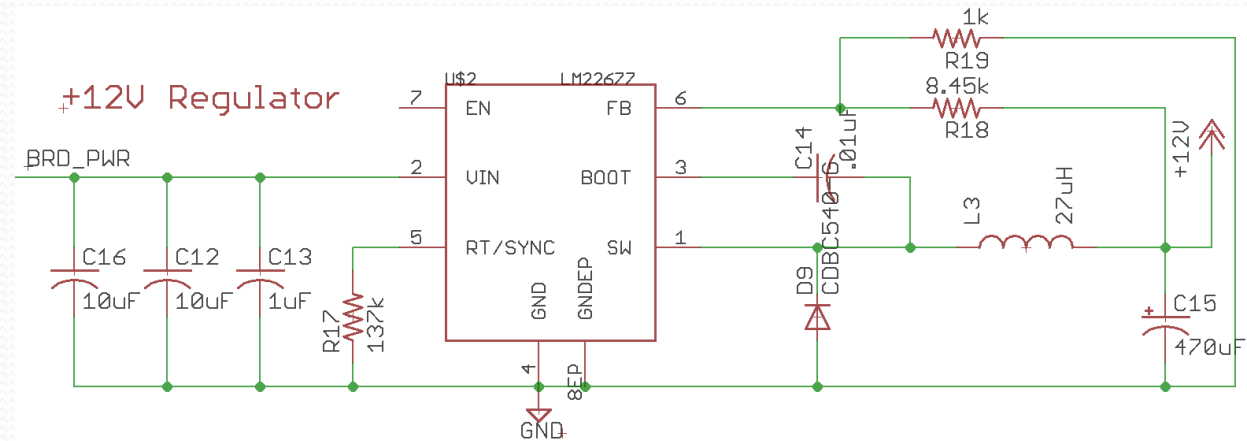
# Power – Linear vs. Switching

Power	Devices
12V @ 4 A	Emer. Stop Relays Stereo Vision LIDAR Wireless Bridge
12V @ 1.5 A	Power Relays
8V @ 1.5 A	Compass Cameras
5V @ 3 A	FPGA GPS Display RC Receiver Microcontroller Servos General IC's
3.3V @ 0.8 A	Xbee Wireless

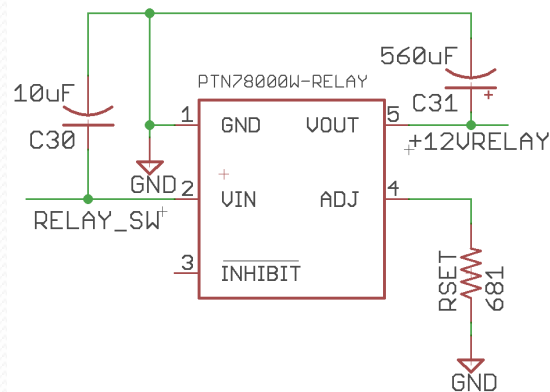


# Power - Regulator Complexities

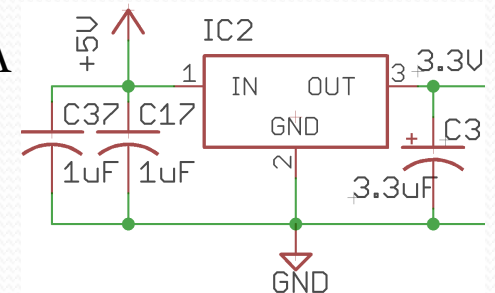
12V @ 4 A



12V @ 1.5 A

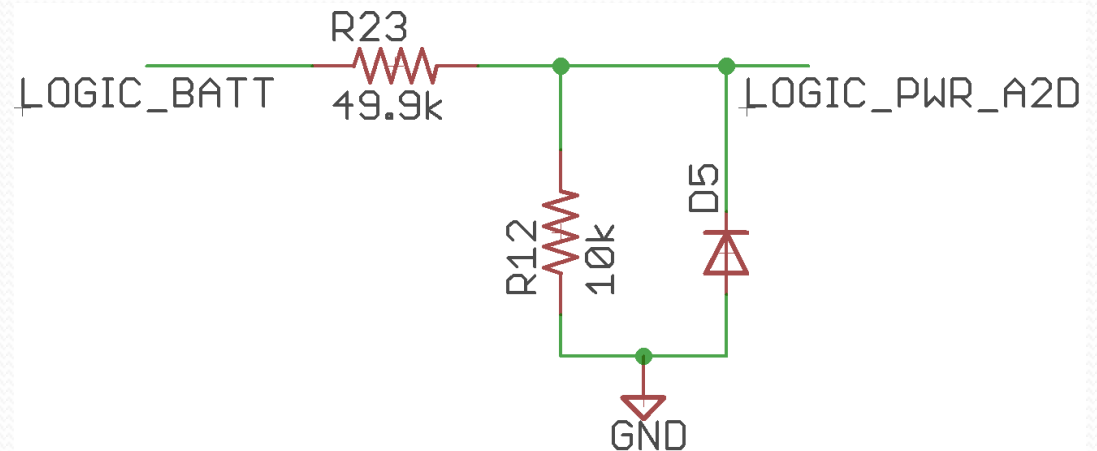


3.3V @ 0.8 A



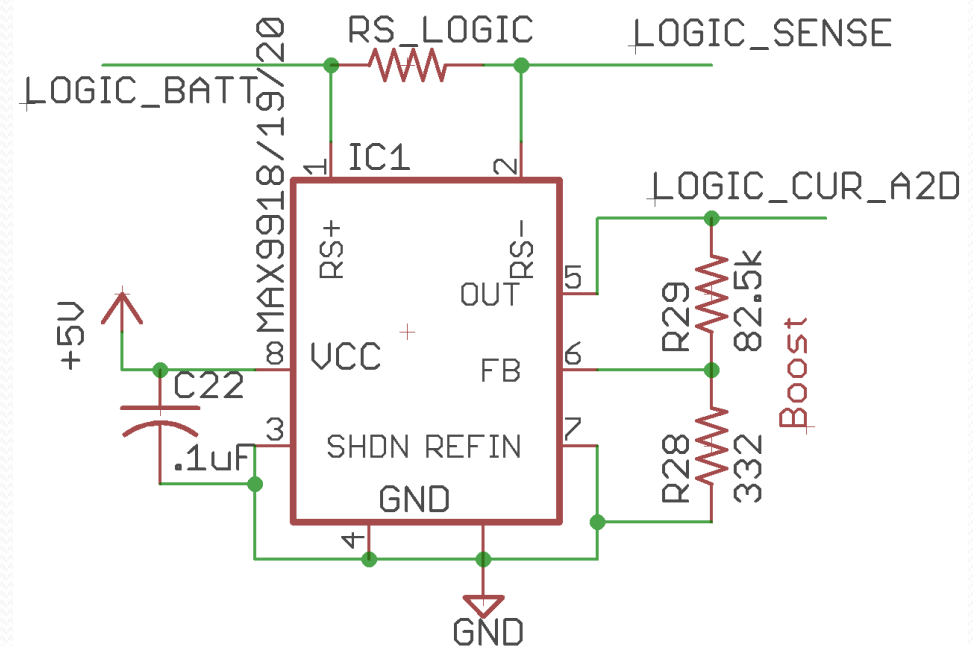
# Sensing - Voltage

- Measurement taken directly from input source
- Scaled by 1/6
- 4.7V Zener Diode
- Measures:
  - Logic Batteries
  - Motor Batteries
  - Shore Power



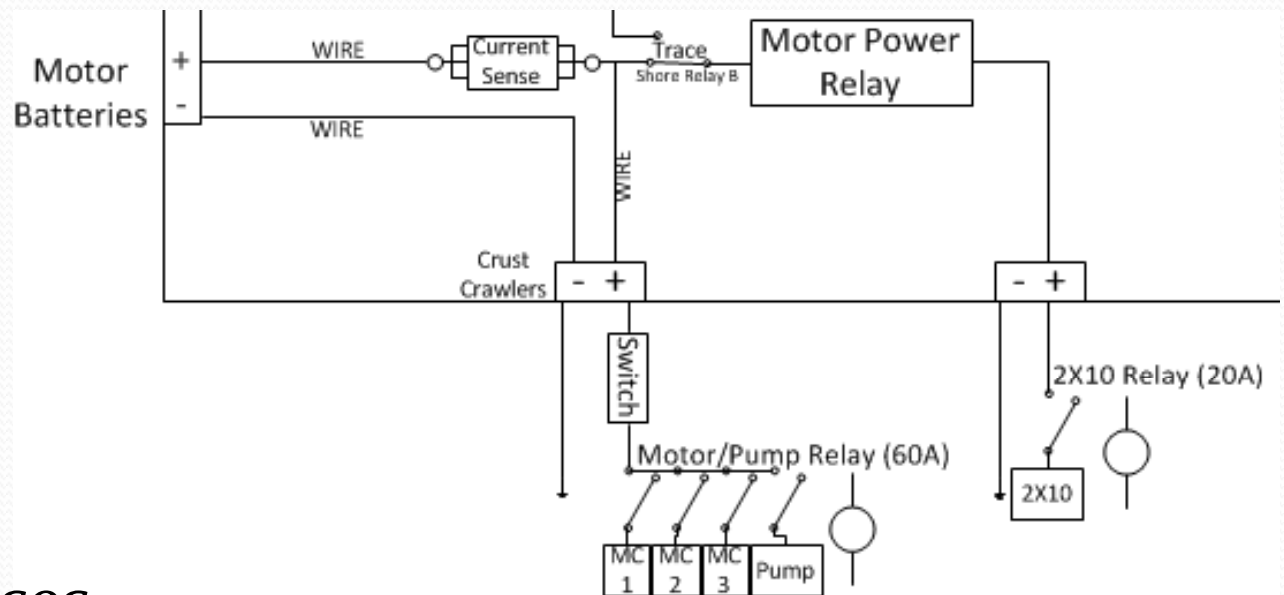
# Sensing – Current – Shunt Resistor

- Accurate
- Low Cost
- Adjustable Gain
- Sense Resistor =  $0.005\ \Omega$
- Insertion Losses
- Logic – 15 A Max
- Shore – 30 A Max



# Sensing – Current - Hall Effect

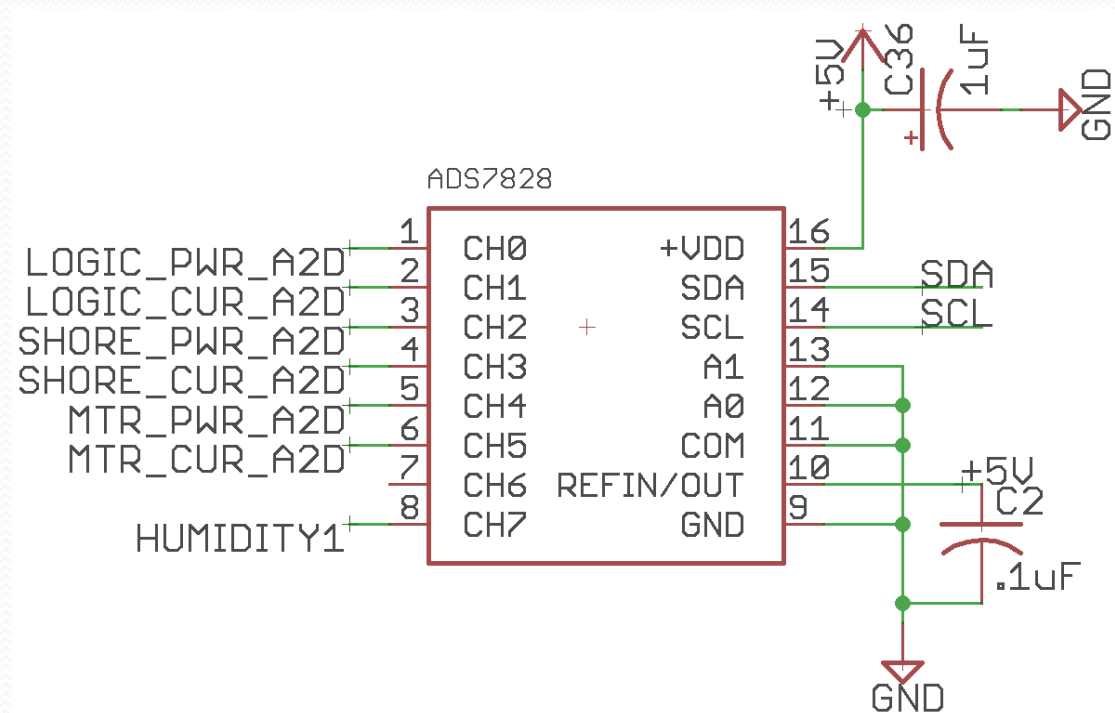
- Motor Power
- Higher Current
  - 15 A Nominal
  - 51 A Max
- Higher Cost
- No Insertion Losses
- Voltage Output
- Exposed Leads



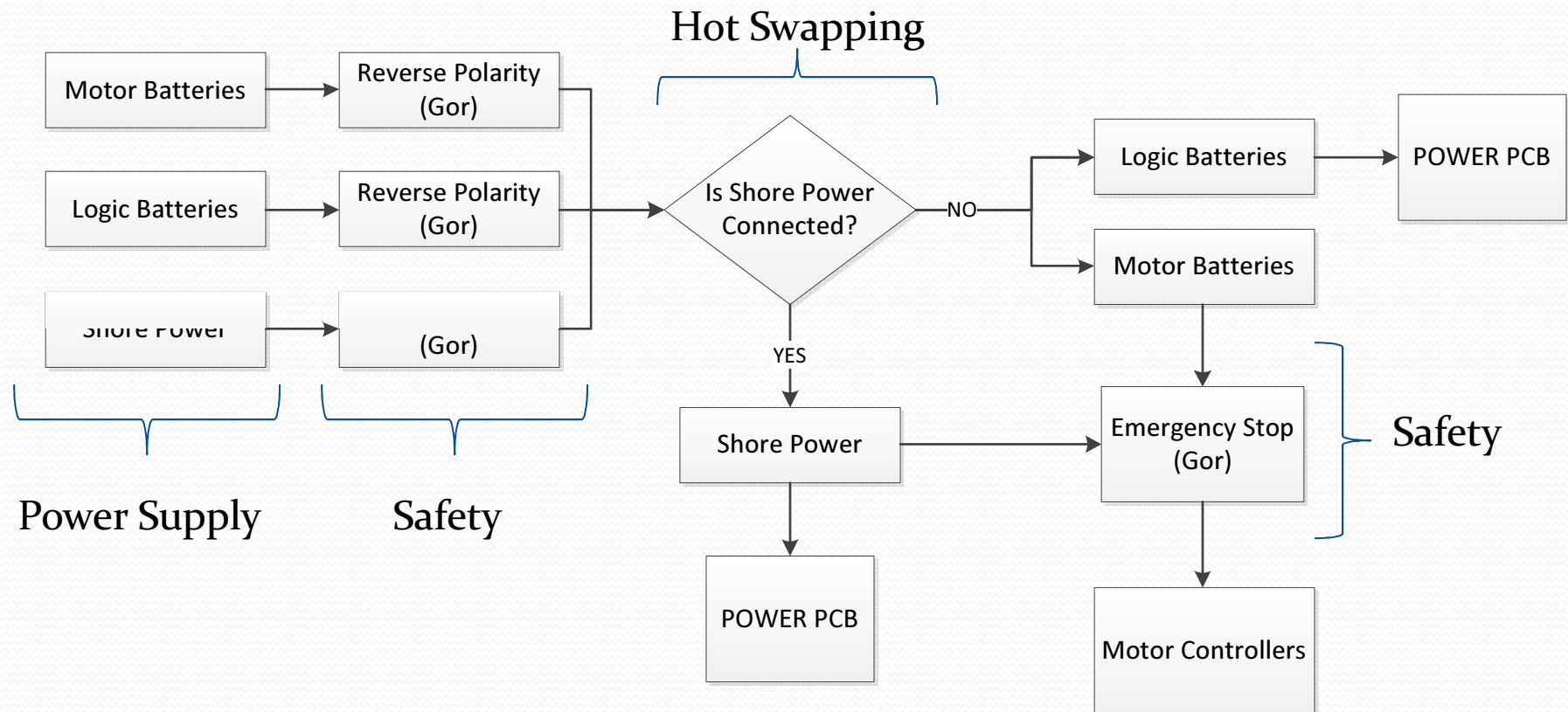


# Sensing – Analog to Digital

- 12-Bit A2D
- I<sup>2</sup>C Interface
- Close Proximity to Sensors



# Power Flowchart



# Reverse Polarity

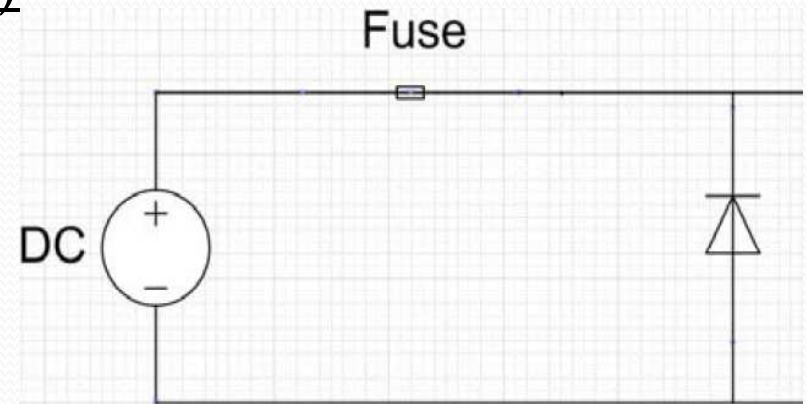
- Maximum 0.2 V drop across the reverse polarity circuit
- Needs to be implemented for all power sources
- Current ratings for the different power sources

Source	Maximum Current
<b>Logic Battery</b>	15 A
<b>Shore Power</b>	30 A
<b>Motor Battery</b>	60 A

# Reverse Polarity

## Fuse-Diode (Parallel Configuration)

- 0 V drop across diode
- Negligible total loss



## Known Issues

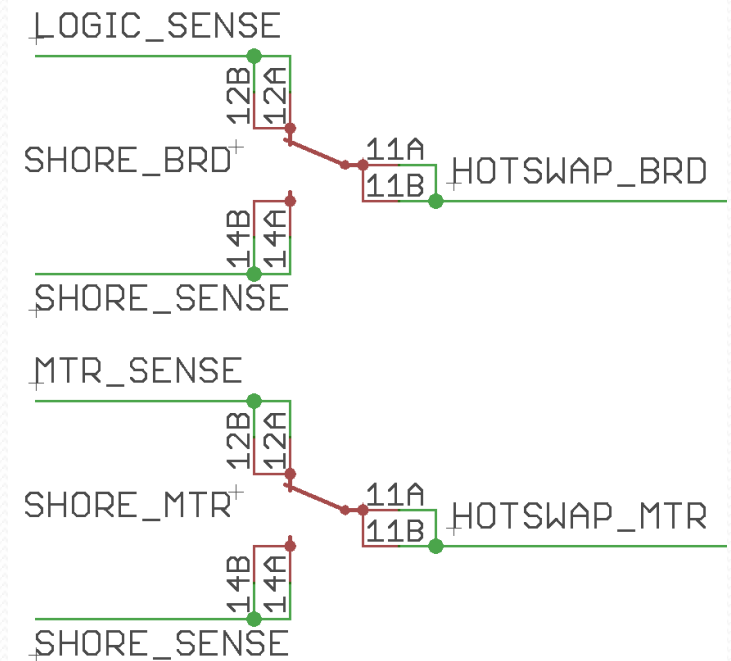
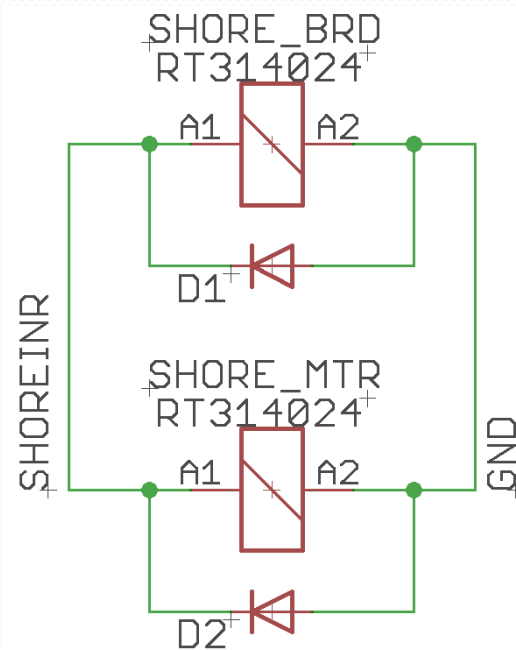
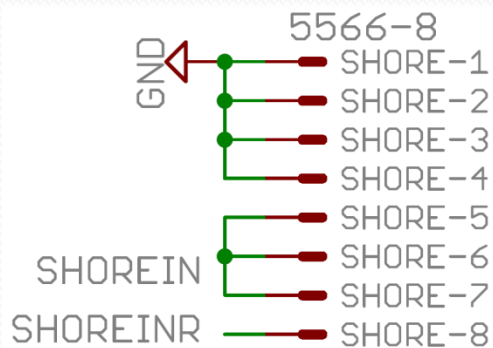
- Proper Fuse and Diode selection is critical
- Diode:
  - 220 A surge current for 8.3ms
- Fuse:

Fuse Rating (%)	Opening Time
110	100hrs
200	0.15s
350	0.080s
600	0.030s

# Hot Swapping

## Relay Method:

- Practically lossless
- Very reliable

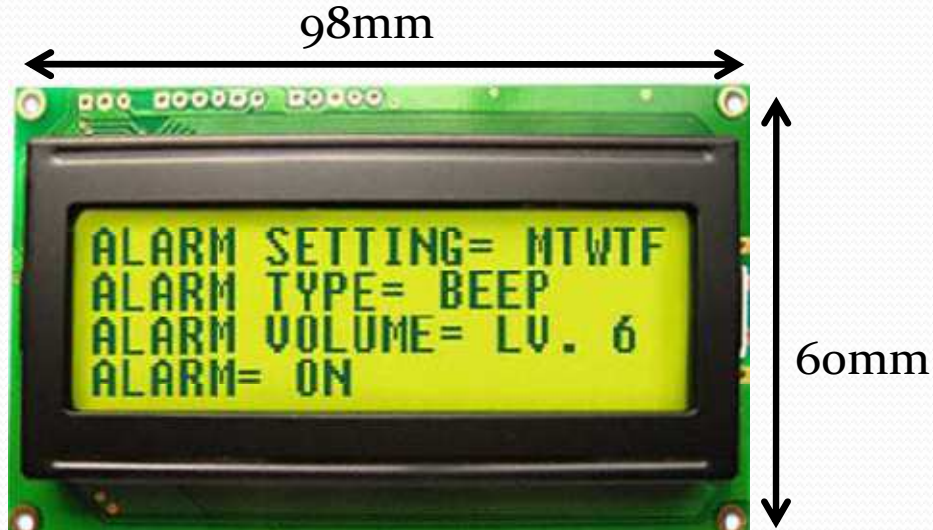




# Display

## Our Requirements:

- Technology: LCD
- Display type: Alphanumeric
- Backlight: LED
- Character Specs: 20 x 4
- Interface: RS-232, I<sup>2</sup>C



## Implementation:

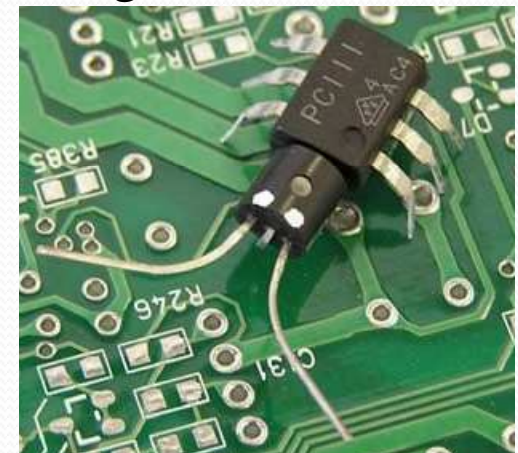
- Mount LCD on electronics box
- Use waterproof buttons for control

Screen	Display
1) Shore power details	Shore: xx.xx V xx.xx A xx.xx W System: _xx_ _xxx_ _min
2) Logic battery power details	Logic: xx.xx V xx.xx A xx.xx W System: _xx_ _xxx_ _min
3) Motor battery power details	Motor: xx.xx V xx.xx A xx.xx W System: _xx_ _xxx_ _min
4) Temperature and humidity	T1:xxx.x°C H1:xx.x% T2:xxx.x°C H1:xx.x% T:xxx.x°C - H:xx.x% System: _xx_ _xxx_ _min
5) Test	N/A

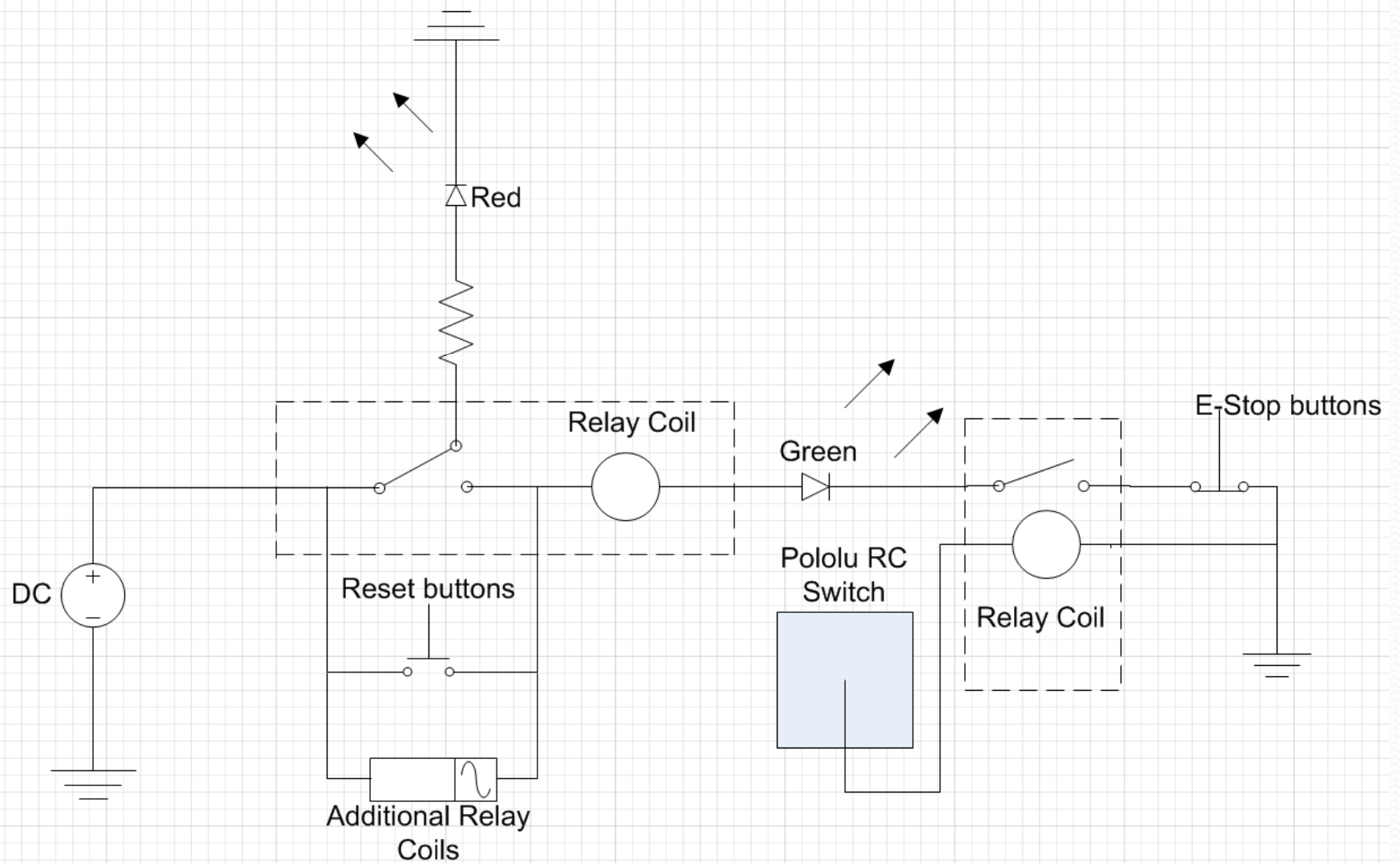
# E-Stop Requirements

- Use minimum logic devices
- Must disengage all moving parts
- 2 reset buttons
- 3 E-stop buttons (One remote)
- $< 10\text{ W}$  power dissipation
- E-Stop state indicators
- Digital output for Microcontroller

This year we will avoid  
**bugs** on the circuit

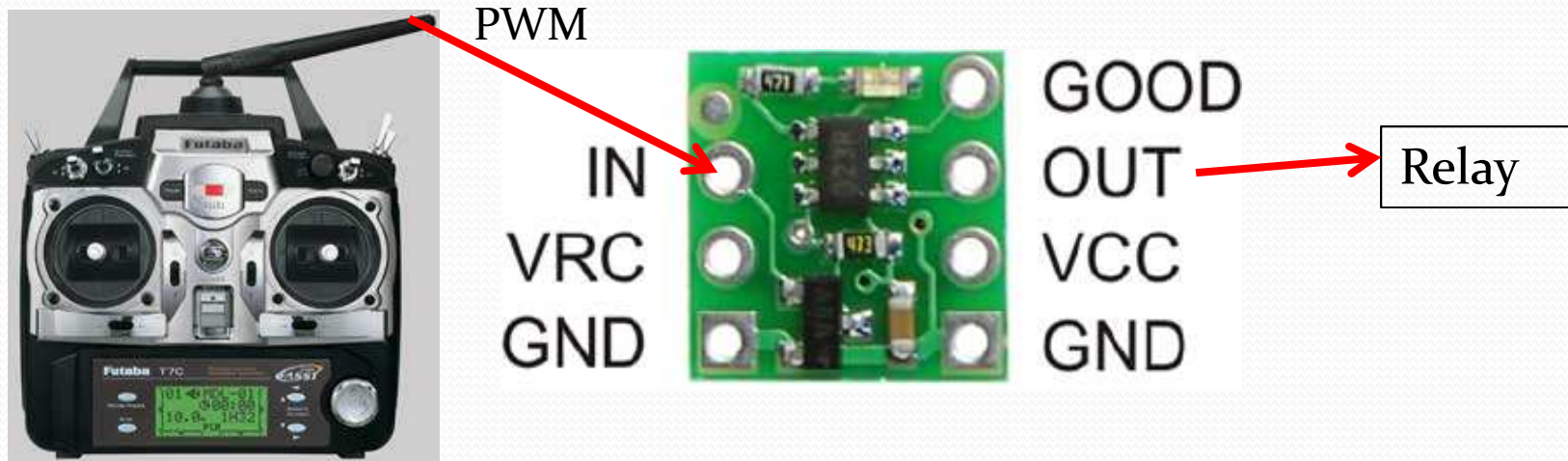
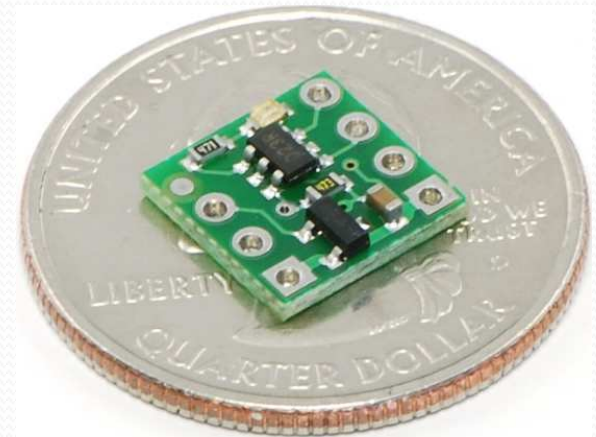


# E-Stop Design

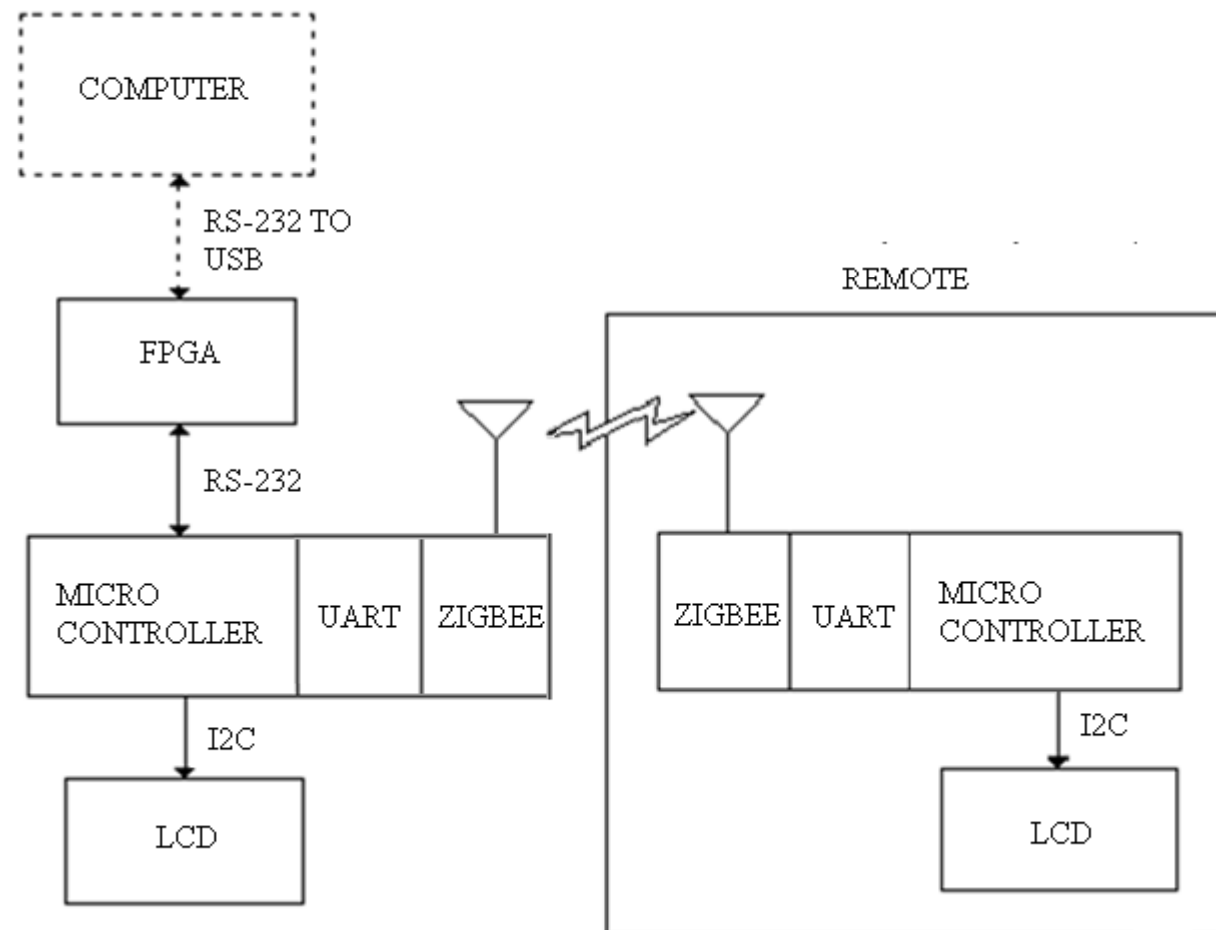


# Pololu RC Switch

- RC Switch for Remote E-Stop
  - 5 V Input
  - Output controls relay coil



# Wired/ Wireless Communication Platform

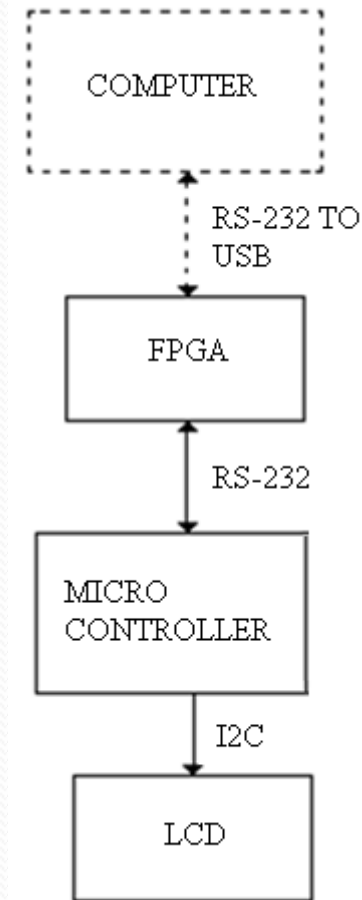




# Wired Communication

## Our Requirements

- Compatible with both desired and pre-existing components
- Capable of multi-master mode
- Works with our +5 V voltage values



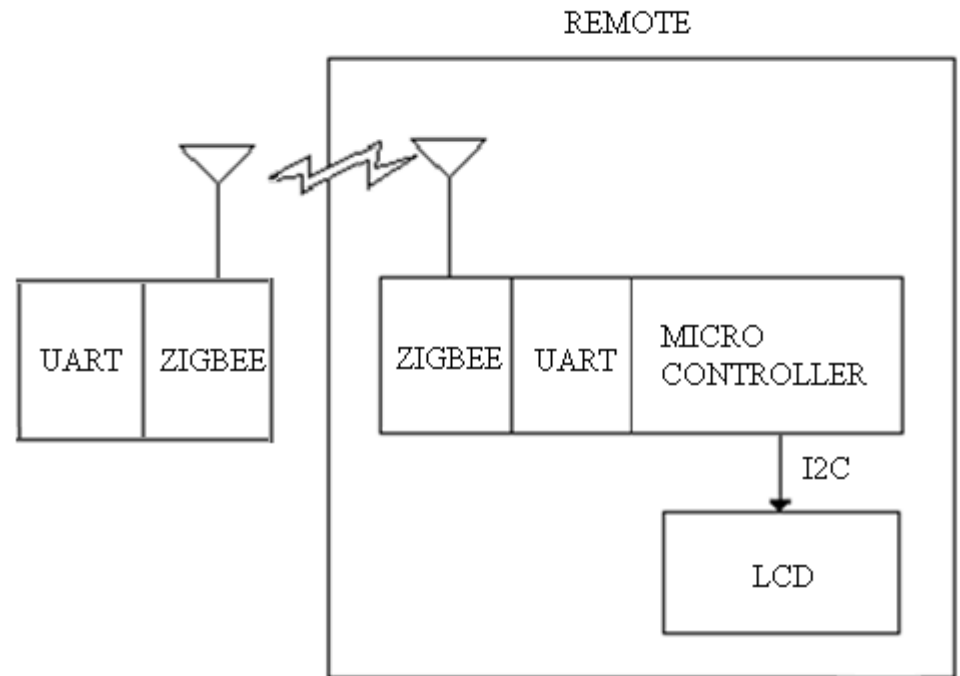
# Wireless Communications

## Our Requirements

- 900 ft open line of sight range
- Point-to-multipoint communication

## Advantages

- Low transmitting power consumption (2 - 50 mW)
- Zigbee eliminates the need for another wired platform





# Sensors

- The need to implement various sensors to the ASV
- Sensors to be implemented into our design include:
  - Temperature sensors
    - System feedback
  - Humidity sensor
    - System feedback
  - Light sensors
    - Challenges

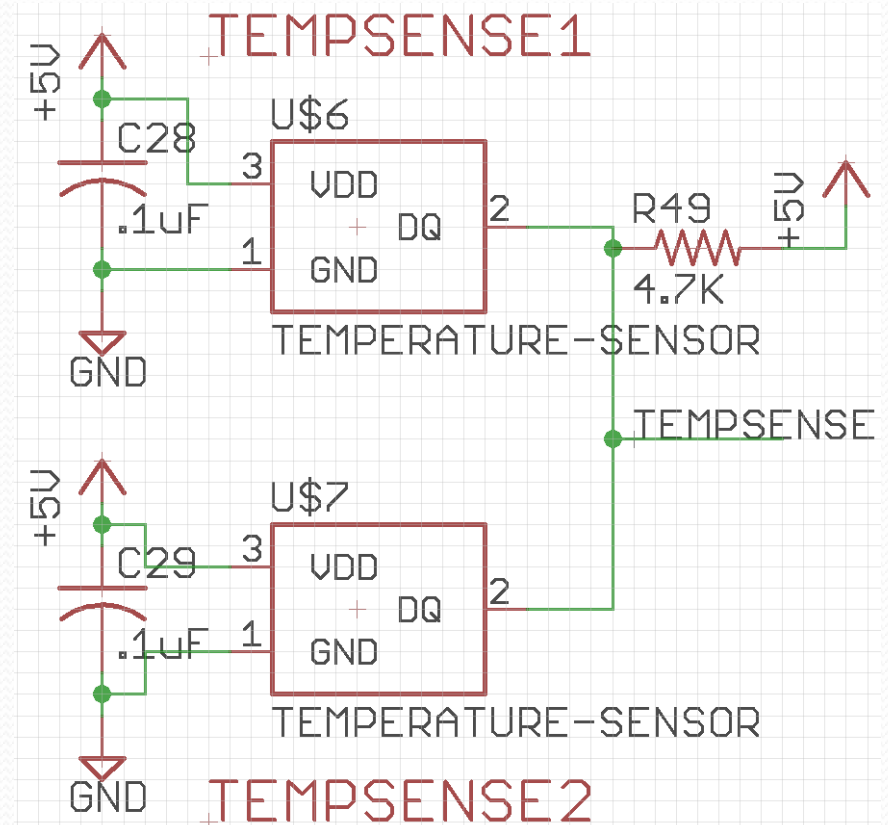
# Temperature Sensor

## Specifications

- Operating in a range from  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Power supply range of 3.0 V to 5.5 V
- Resolution of  $0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Temperature accuracy of  $\pm 0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  @  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$

## Schematic

DS18S20

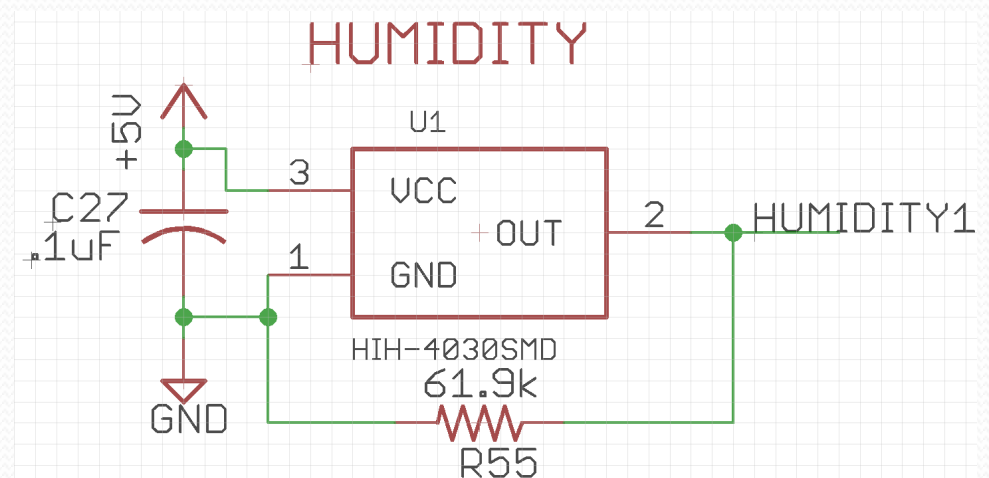


# Humidity Sensor

## Our Requirements

- Read humidity values in the range of 10% to 90%
- Works with our 5 V power supply.
- Provide an accuracy of  $\pm 3.0\%$  RH

## Schematic HIH-5030





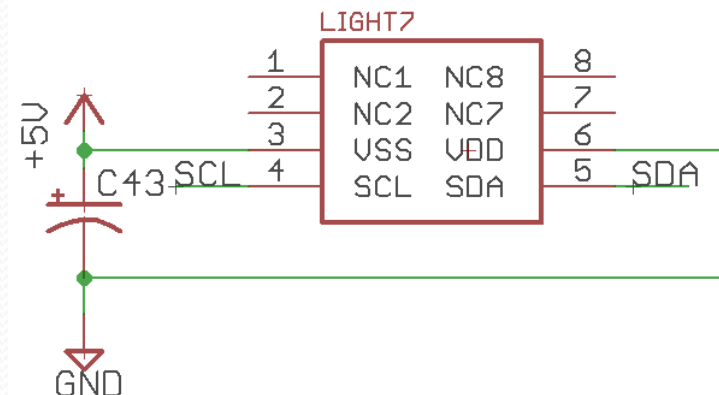
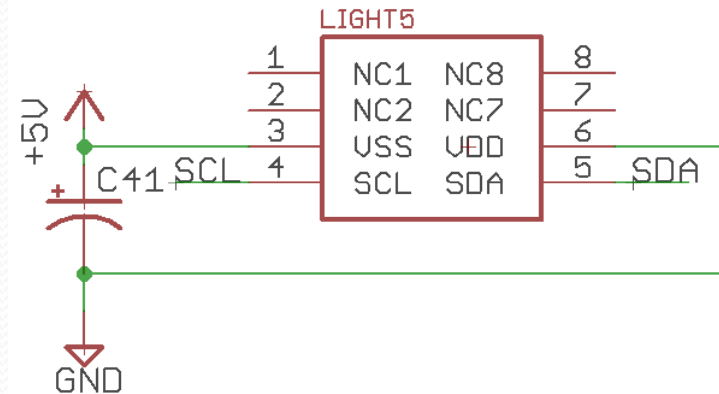
# Light Sensor

## Specifications

- I<sup>2</sup>C digital interface
- 16 bit ADC
- Capable of reading 0 to 100,000 lux

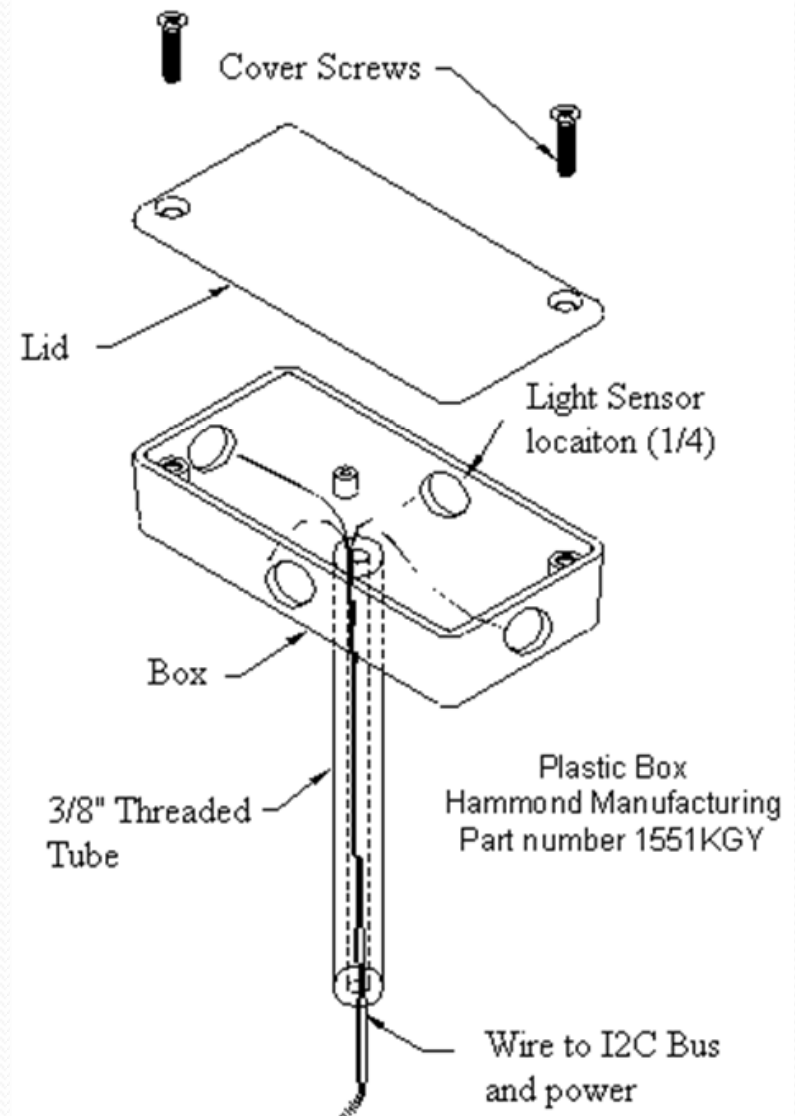
## Schematic (4)

NOA1302



# Light Sensor

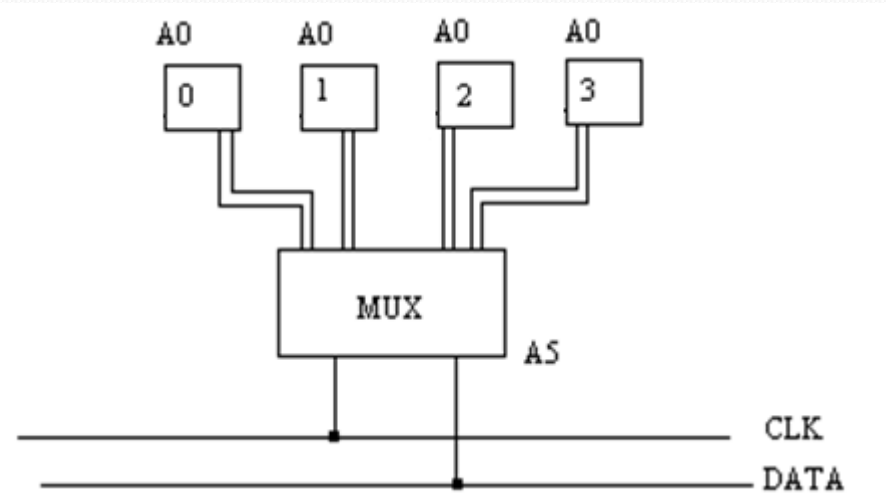
- Location requires the box to be water resistant
- Ambient light reading
- NOA1302 are only addressable with 1 address
- Multiplexer Texas Instruments PCA9545A



# Light Sensor - Addressing

The microcontroller will:

- Call A5 (Mux)
- Set port zero to high
- Ask for the reading
- Store the reading
- Repeat above steps but changing which port is high



# FPGA vs. Microcontroller

We chose to use both...

## FPGA Advantages:

- Processing is done in parallel for near real-time realization
- Extremely flexible in logic based implementation
- Clock rates can be lower and achieve similar results as a  $\mu$ C.

## $\mu$ C Advantages:

- Cost efficient
- Power Consumption is less
- Communication between devices is much easier.

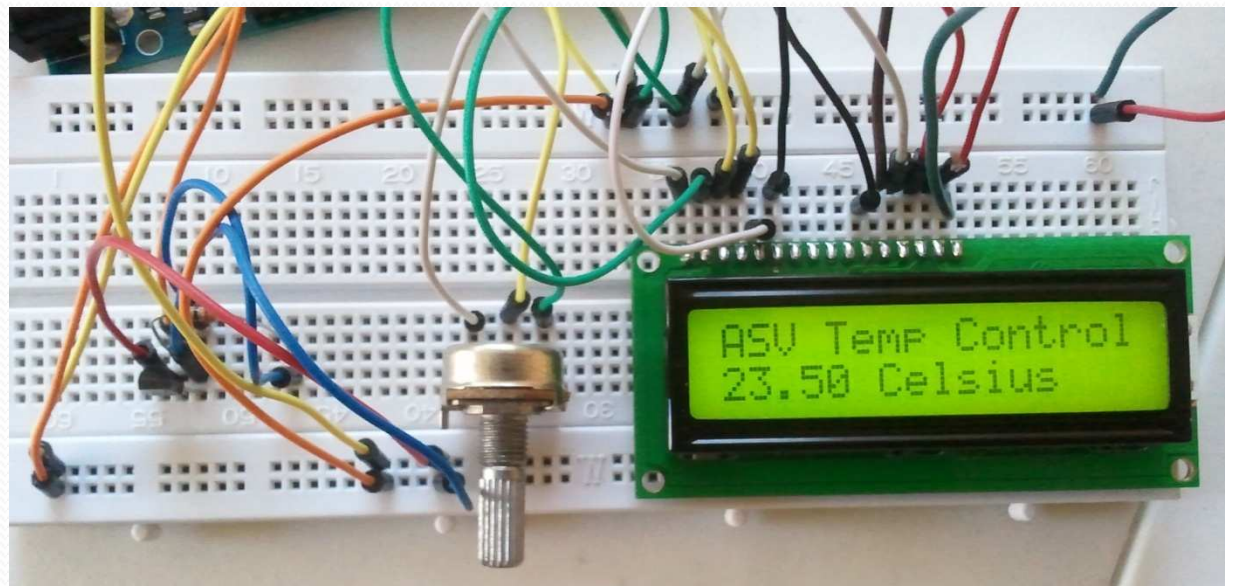
# Programming Environment

- Microcontroller
  - AVR Studio 4
  - AVR Programmer (ICSP)
  - C language
  - Windows/Linux
- FPGA
  - Xilinx ISE WebPack
  - JTAG Interface
  - VHDL language
  - Windows/Linux

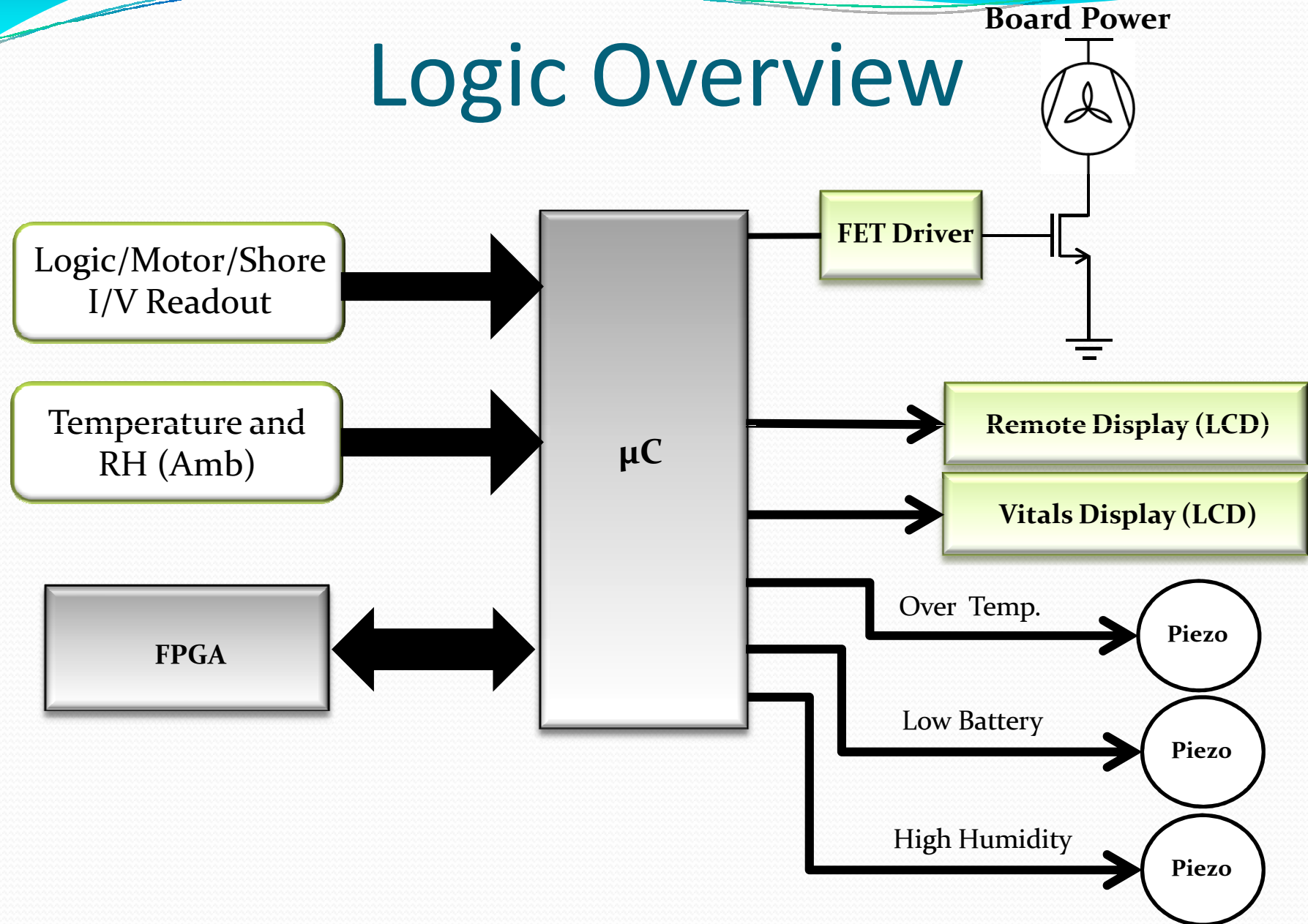


# Microcontroller – Atmega328p

- Analog to digital conversion (Dedicated ADC as well)
- Display vitals on an LCD screen
- Regulate air flow through case based on ambient temperature in the case.
- Transmit data wirelessly to remote box by interfacing with a XBee

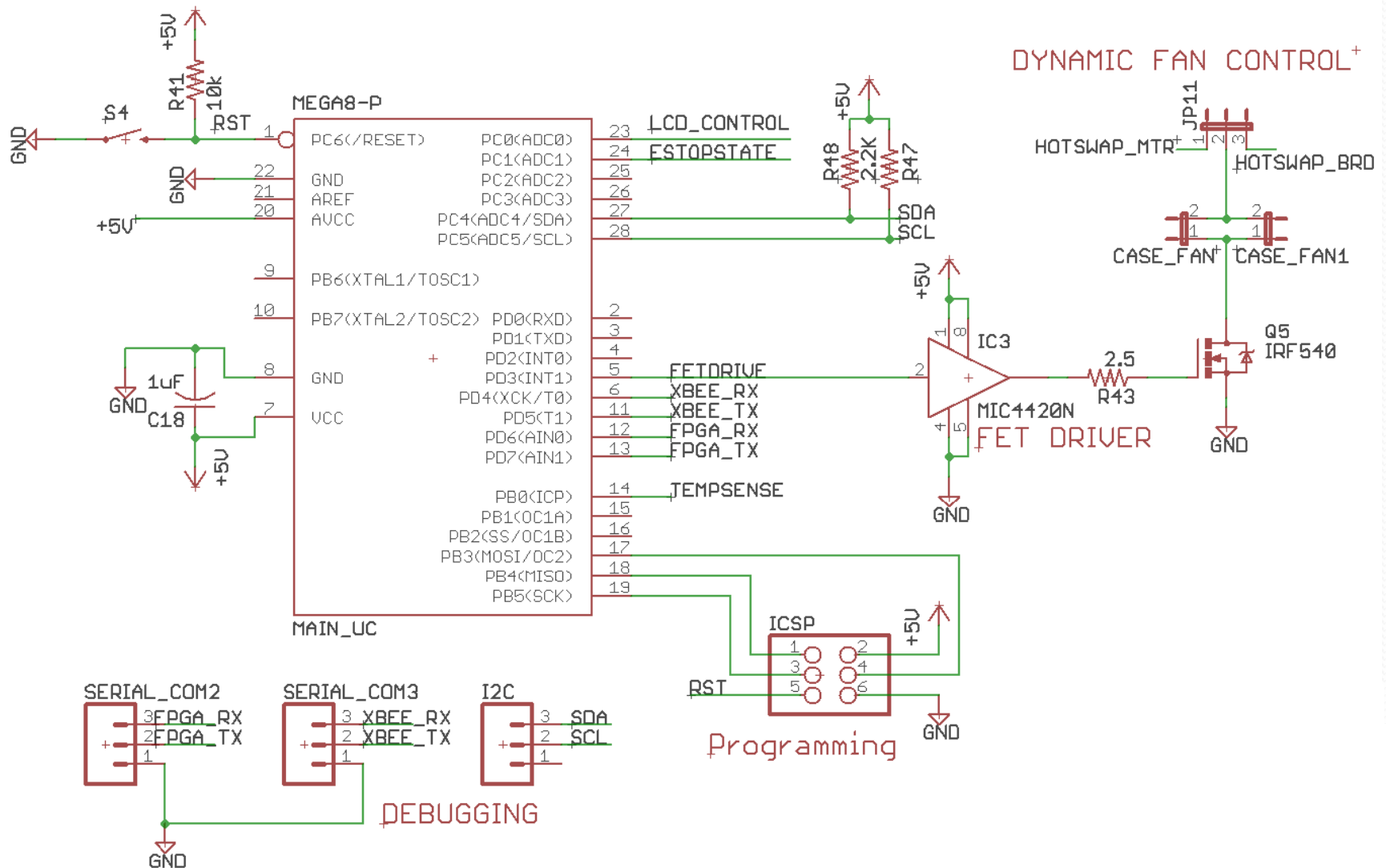


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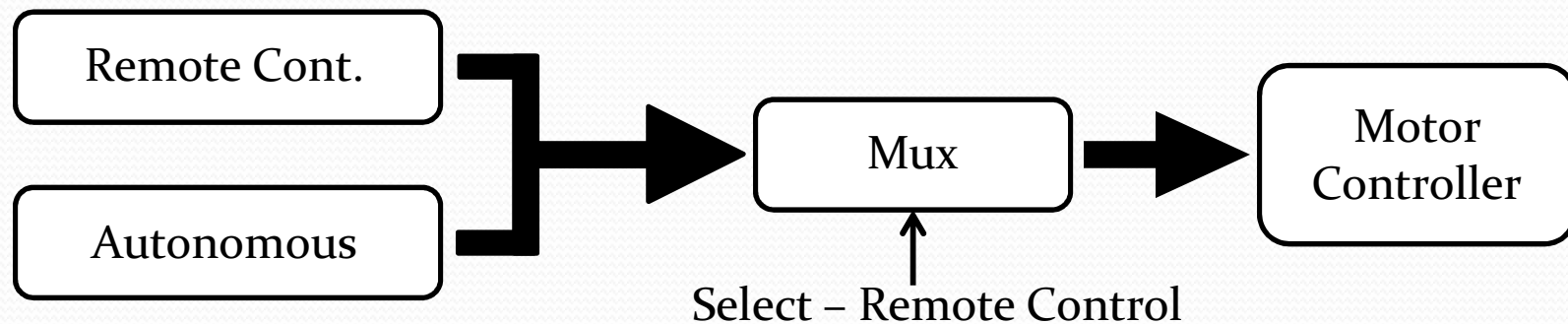


# Microcontroller - Schematics

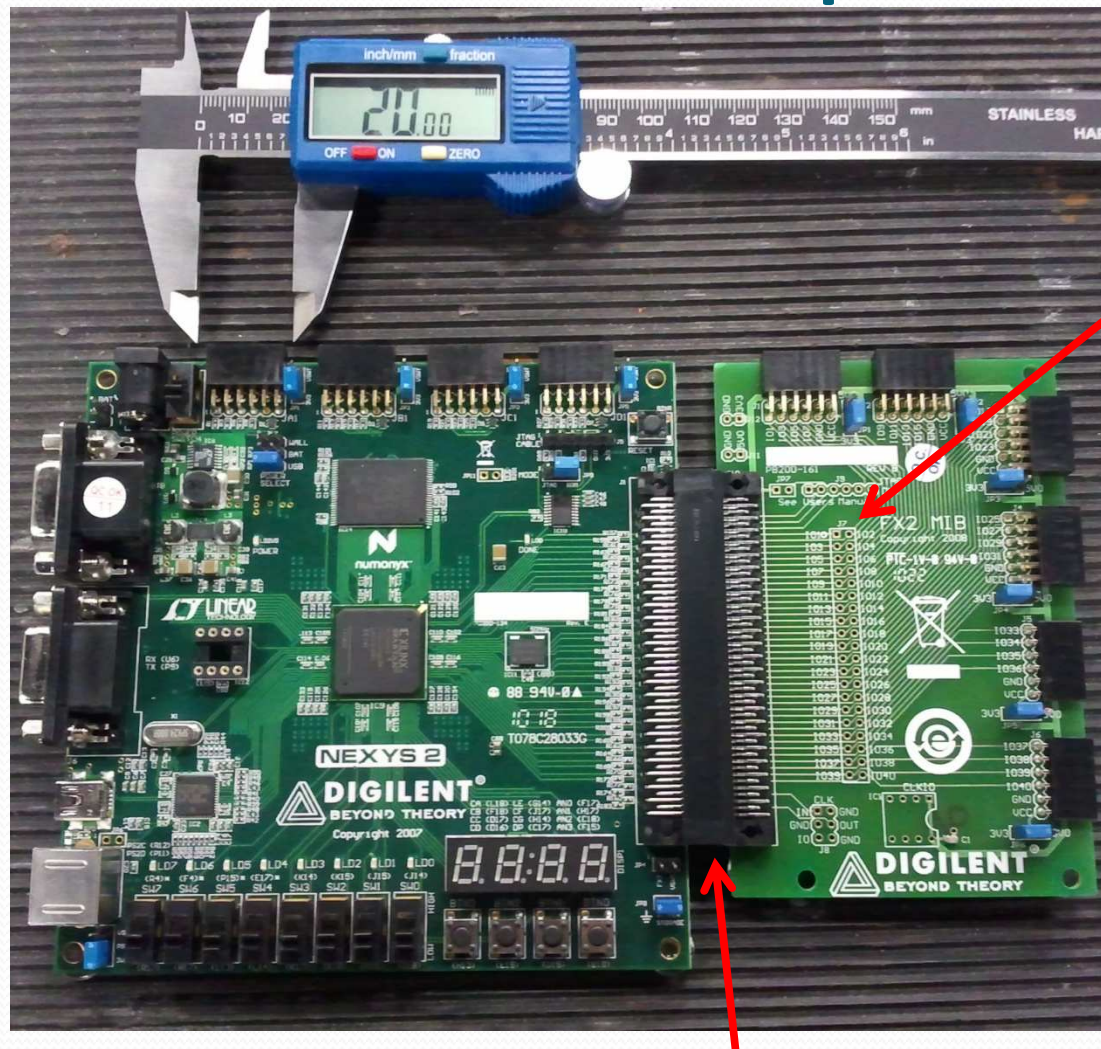


# FPGA – Xilinx Spartan 3E

- Communicate vehicle vitals to the on-board computer
- Control indicator LEDs on the vehicle
- Receiving the RC PWM signals from a remote controller
- Receiving thrust percentage values from on-board computer
- Mux the two signals mentioned above to be able to switch between autonomous and human controlled mode



# FPGA – Snapshot



40 Pin IDE  
Connector to  
PCB

FX2 Connector

# Timeline

Item	Due Date	Progress
Research	12/04/2010	100%
Schematic/Design	01/25/2011	95%
Board Layout	01/30/2011	5%
Board Population	02/19/2011	0%
Board Testing	02/26/2011	0%
Mechanical Assembly	02/26/2011	40%
Integration	03/05/2011	10%



