

ME106 PROJECT: Spring 2021 By: Team JEE Joshua Cooney, Ehsan Al-Agtash, Eduardo Molina

## THE PURPOSE

- Making life easier, to open and close the window automatically
  - Manual and automatic modes
  - 3 sensors: time,gas,temperature

- Increased safety
- Less worry throughout the day

## SPECIFICATIONS

- Window dimensions: 23.5 inches x 23.5 inches
- Two motors
- Motor 1: @7v
  - No load current: .17 A
  - No load speed: 160 RPM
  - Gear ratio: 120:1
- Motor 2 @7v
  - No load current: .17 A
  - No load speed: 160 RPM
  - Gear ratio: 120:1
  - Stall torque: .8 kgf-cm
  - Rated torque: .2 kgf-cm





## **PRIMARY COMPONENTS**

- A. Real time clock sensor
- B. Alcohol and VOC gas sensor
- C. Temperature sensor
- D. DC electric 6 volt motor
- E. Belt pulley wheel
- F. H-Bridge L298N
- G. Nrf board
- H. Power supply



# **Cost Analysis**

### Goal

- Keep under \$50
- Use most of the parts in kit
- Use one motor to move the window



### Outcome

### • Total cost of the prototype

- \$9- temp sensor
- \$5 real time clock
- $\circ$  \$14- voc alcohol and gas sensor
- $\circ$  \$4- solid wire
- $\circ$  \$10- pulley wheel set
- $\circ$  \$7- two motors

• Total= \$49

(shipping, mishaps, labor and other cost not included)

### THE DESIGN



Simple design sketch: motors move clockwise to close and counter clockwise to open



## CODE

#include librarys
import busio
import time
import board
import pulseio
import digitalio
#sensor
import adafruit\_pcf8523
import adafruit\_mcp9808
import adafruit\_bme680

#INSIDE SENSORS #identify the pins for time sensor myI2C = busio.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA) rtc = adafruit\_pcf8523.PCF8523(myI2C)

#assign inside temperature
mcp = adafruit\_mcp9808.MCP9808(myI2C)

#OUTSIDE SENSOR
#BME sensor
bme680 = adafruit\_bme680.Adafruit\_BME680\_I2C(myI2C, address = 0x76)

#Motor Declerations
#Left Motor
ENA = pulseio.PWMOut(board.D6) #ENA/B used to control motor speed
IN1 = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D9) #digitalio used to change polarity of motors
IN1.direction = digitalio.Direction.OUTPUT
IN2 = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D10)
IN2.direction = digitalio.Direction.OUTPUT
#Right motor
ENB = pulseio.PWMOut(board.D13)
IN3 = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D11)
IN3.direction = digitalio.Direction.OUTPUT
IN4 = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D12)
IN4.direction = digitalio.Direction.OUTPUT

#Initialize time and date.
if True: # change to True if you want to write the time!
 # year, mon, date, hour, min, sec, wday, yday, isdst
 t = time.struct\_time((2021, 05, 10, 18, 28, 15, 30, -1, -1))
 # you must set year, mon, date, hour, min, sec and weekday

### # print("Setting time to:", t) # uncomment for debugging rtc.datetime = t print() #DEFINITIONS def manual(Wstate): while True: if (Wstate == False): s = "Open else: s = "close" choice = input("Press Enter to " + s + " Window, or Q to quit to Menu: ").strip().upper() #choice = int(choice) if choice == "" and Wstate != True: print("Opening...") togglewindow(True) #open window Wstate = True #window open time.sleep(1) elif choice == "" and Wstate != False: print("Closing...") togglewindow(False) #close window Wstate = False #closed time.sleep(1) elif choice != "Q" and choice != "": print("Invalid Entry - Please Try Again.") else: print("Quitting to Main Menu") print("...") return Wstate def Auto(): ui = False #User inputs must all be valid to move into auto loop where ui = True while ui == False: #Get Time Settings timeS = input("Set Window Open/Close Schedule? (Y/N): ").strip().upper() #ask to set window schedule while (times != "Y" and times != "N"); timeS = input("Please Enter (Y/N): ").strip().upper() #get Y or N input

# yearday is not supported, isdst can be set but we don't do anything with it at this time

if times == "Y": numtimes = int(input("How many Times do you want to Schedule? Max 3: ")) #number of opening/closing time slots

while (numtimes < 1 or numtimes > 3): numtimes = int(input("Please Enter 1 to 3 schedules only: ")) timesOpen = [1]\*numtimes timesClose = [1]\*numtimes cont = False #Allow user to continue if schedule is correct - cont = True while (cont I= True): conflict = False #no conflicts for x in range(numtimes) #put users opening and closing schedules into their respective arrays. timesOpen[x] = round(float(input("Enter Opening Time for Schedule "+ str(x+1) + " in Military Time: ")), 2) timesClose[x] = round(float(input("Enter Closing Time for Schedule " + str(x+1) + " in Military Time: ")), 2) if timesClose[x] <= timesOpen[x]: conflict = True cont = False print("Scheduling Conflict: Error \*Opening Time must come before Close Time\*") print("Please Re-Enter Schedule") break #Check for schedule conflict, if conflict, then ask them to reschedule. #WARNING SUPER EASY TO GET CONFUSED, TRUST IN LOGIC if numtimes l= 1 and conflict l= True: if numtimes -- 3: #This parameter is set so that if no conflict is found in first 2 schedules, schedule 3 is still checked (if there is one) check3 = True if (numtimes == 2 or numtimes == 3): #Check first 2 schedules for time conflicts. if (timesOpen[1] >= timesOpen[0] and timesOpen[1] <= timesClose[0]) or (timesClose[1] >= timesOpen[0] and timesClose[1] <= timesClose[0]): cont = False check3 = Ealse print("Schedule Confliction...") elif numtimes -- 3 and check3 -- True: if (timesOpen[2] >= timesOpen[0] and timesOpen[2] <= timesClose[0]) or (timesClose[2] >= timesOpen[0] and timesClose[2] <= timesClose[0]): cont = False print("Schedule Confliction...") elif timesOpen[2] >= timesOpen[1] and timesOpen[2] <= timesClose[1]or (timesClose[2] >= timesOpen[1] and timesClose[2] <= timesClose[1]): cont = False print("Schedule Confliction...") else: print("schedule Logged") cont = True else: print("schedule Logged") cont = True

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elif conflict != True:
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## SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM

- A. nRF
- B. POWER SUPPLY
- C. H-BRIDGE L298N
- D. VOC ALCOHOL AND GAS SENSOR
- E. TEMPERATURE SENSOR
- F. REAL TIME CLOCK SENSOR
- G. MOTORS





## CHALLENGES

- Cost
- Issues with having parts delivered
- Working on the project via zoom
- Schedule conflictions
- Soldering all the components
- Coding
- Going through gas sensors









## The Gas Sensor

 Several error messages from both gas sensors

 Uses resistors to determine gas value, but was stuck at constant value

- Wrong address id default
  - Changed to ID 0x76

```
code.pv * adafruit bme680.pv
  1 import time
  2 import board
   from busio import I2C
   import adafruit bme680
   i2c = I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA) # uses board.SCL and board.SDA
  9 bme680 = adafruit bme680.Adafruit BME680 I2C(i2c, debug=False)
      change this to match the location's pressure (hPa) at sea level
    bme680.sea level pressure = 1013.25
 14 # You will usually have to add an offset to account for the temperature of
 15 # the sensor. This is usually around 5 degrees but varies by use. Use a
 16 # separate temperature sensor to calibrate this one.
Adafruit CircuitPython REPL
Press any key to enter the REPL. Use CTRL-D to reload.soft reboot
Auto-reload is on. Simply save files over USB to run them or enter REPL to disable.
code.py output:
Traceback (most recent call last):
 File "code.py", line 9, in <module>
 File "adafruit_bme680.py", line 436, in __init__
 File "adafruit_bme680.py", line 136, in __init__
RuntimeError: Failed to find BME680! Chip ID 0x40
soft rebootey to enter the REPL. Use CTRL-D to reload.
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### Gas sensor continued

 Sdo pin to ground was one solution but another problem came up

 Gas output remained constant even introduced to 2 different samples

• Ultimately after tests concluded both were just defective

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19 while True:
20 print("\nTemperature: %0.1f C" % (bme680.temperature + temperature_offset)
21 print("Gas: %d ohm" % bme680.gas)
22 print("Humidity: %0.1f %%" % bme680.relative_humidity)
23 print("Pressure: %0.3f hPa" % bme680.pressure)
24 print("Altitude = %0.2f meters" % bme680.altitude)
25
26 time.sleep(1)
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Temperature: 19.5 C
Gas: 177 ohm
Humidity: 41.5 %
Pressure: 994.391 hPa
Altitude = 158.22 meters
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Temperature: 19.5 C Gas: 177 ohm Humidity: 41.4 % Pressure: 994.386 hPa Altitude = 158.26 meters

# CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Would create a housing for the device
- Make for easy installation and adjustment for most windows
- Adjust the design to only need one motor
- Include a feature to save set settings for ease of access
- Add a bluetooth function for control
- Manage time better



Housing design for the prototype

### What was learned and challenges (eduardo molina)

What i learned was:

- How to manage time much more efficiently
- How to wire the microcontroller to allow the sensors to function
- How to interpret circuit schematics/ diagrams
- How to work collaboratively

Some challenges were:

- Remote meetings over zoom when testing
- Having to work with everyone's different schedules
- Balance- to do work on the project, as well as other courses and family responsibilities

## What was learned and challenges (Joshua Cooney)

What I learned was:

- How to coordinate a project and work with my group over distance
- How to take a design and create a physical model
- How to better work with sensors and python to create an intuitive software experience
- How to solder components, and deeper understanding of circuitry

Some challenges were:

- Time and energy management
- Working in a less familiar programming language (Python)
- Distance between group mates and having only one physical model to test with.
- Gas sensors not working properly despite extensive troubleshooting

## What was learned and challenges (Ehsan Al-Agtash)

What I learned was:

- Connecting 3 sensor together using the same pins
- Wire management
- How import is it to design and do rough sketches before rushing to do a prototype
- How important testing is before building the prototype
- Reading circuit diagrams, pulling up motor specifications
- Soldering pins to boards

Some challenges were:

- Prioritizing school work and projects
- Time managements
- Working over zoom and rarely meeting up
- Struggling to get the VOC/Gas sensor to work

**QUESTIONS?**