

# ECE 445 Senior Project

## Smart Automatic Trash Basket

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# Introduction

- 1.1 Features:

Interesting Solution to an everyday life.

Encourage more people to recycle.

Practical uses but not too much power consuming.

- 1.2 Advantage:

Being able to recycle automatically.

Automatic lid for ease of use.

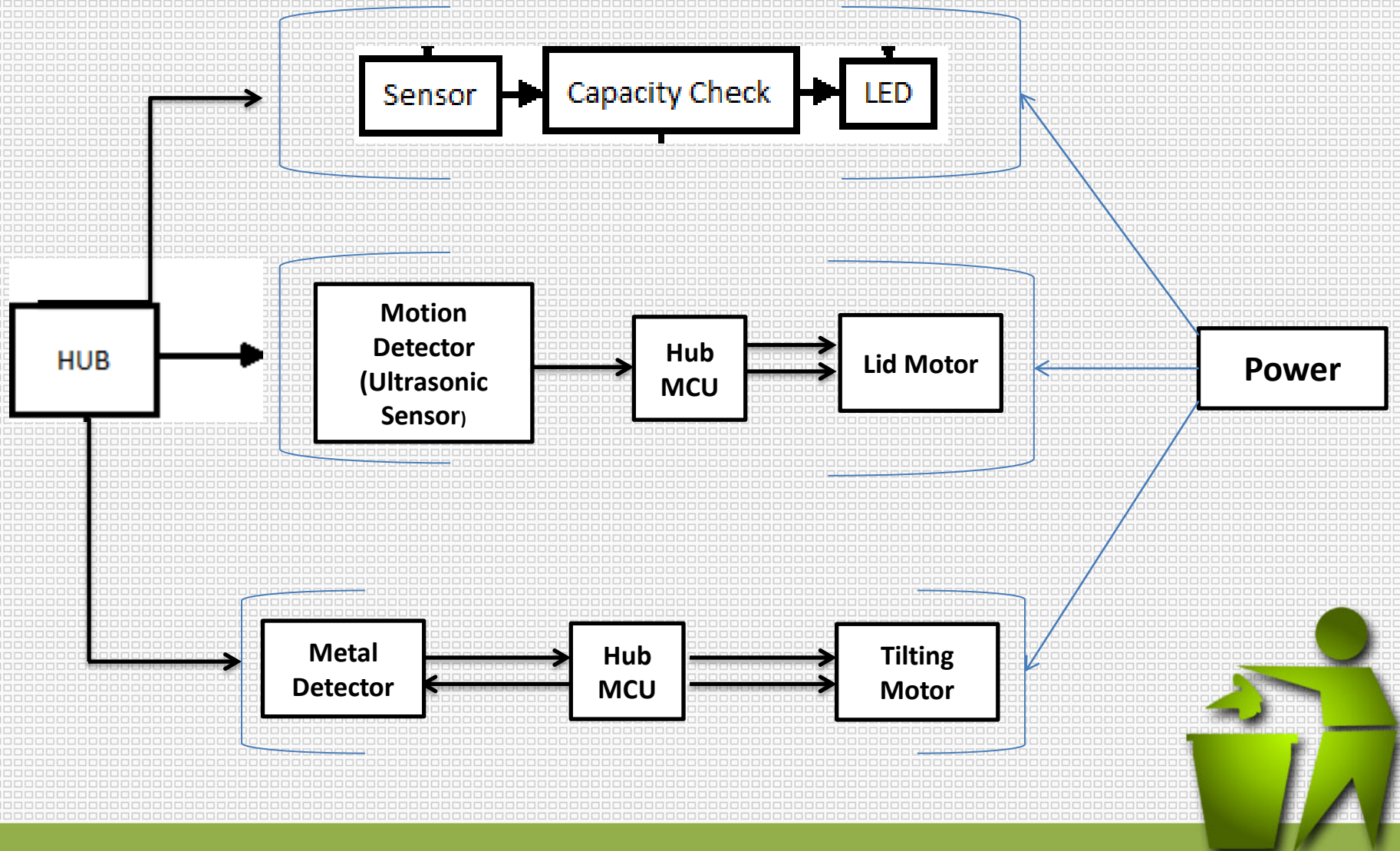
Warning light when a basket is full.

- 1.3 Dimensions:

Height: 21-5/8" Length: 13-3/8" Width: 9-13/16"



# System Overview



# Hardware Overview

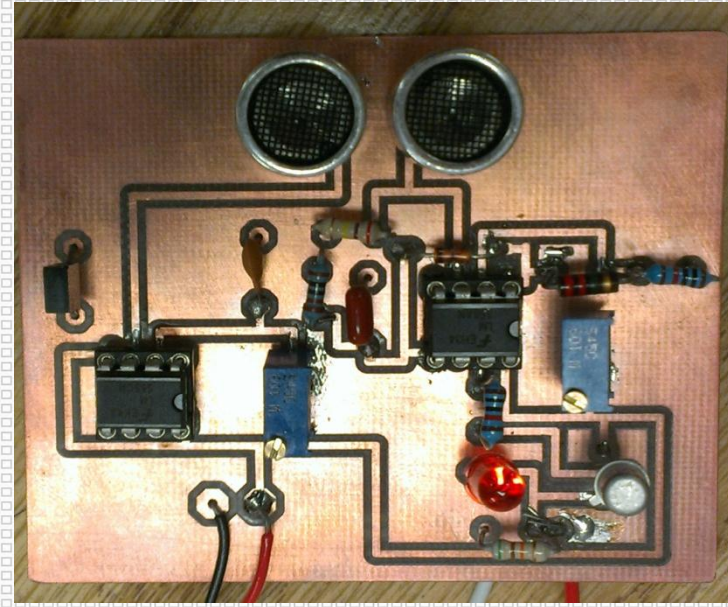
- Ultrasonic Sensor
- Metal Detector
- Tilting Motors (❶ Lid ❷ Sorting Plate)
- Capacity Check Parts (❶ IR Sensor ❷ IR LED ❸ Comparator)



# Motion Detector

## (Ultrasonic Obstacle Sensor)

Automatic Open/Close



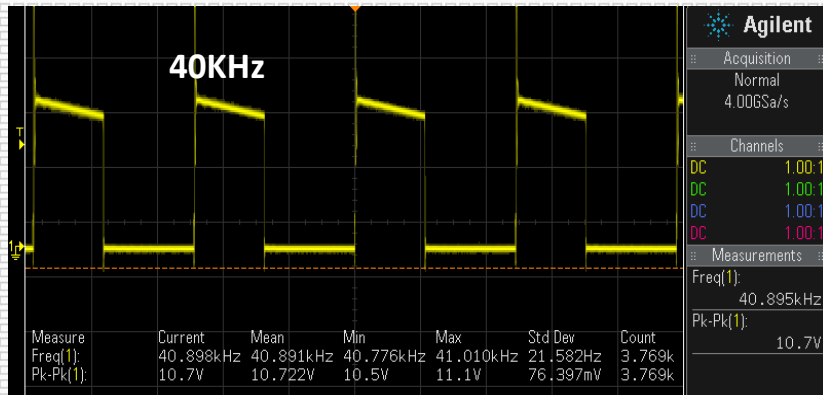
### Sensor Features:

- Frequency:  $40\text{kHz} \pm 1.0\text{kHz}$
- Aluminum case
- Sound pressure level:  $112\text{dB} @ 40 \pm 1.0\text{kHz}$
- Sensitivity:  $67\text{dB} @ 40 \pm 1.0\text{kHz}$
- Includes transmitter and receiver

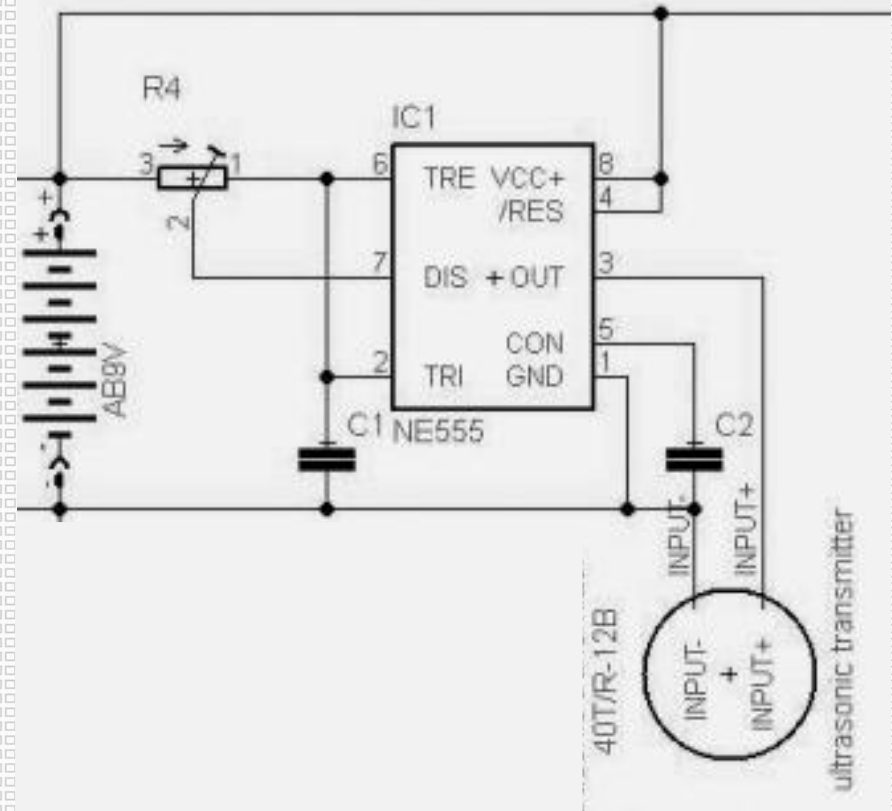
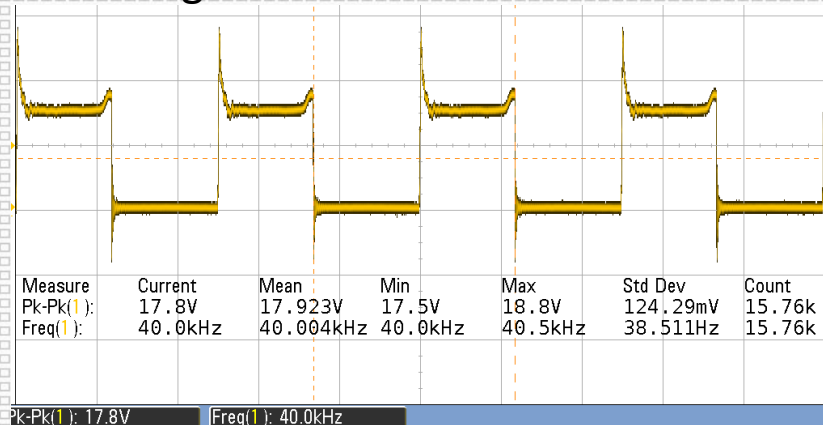


# Signal Generator (Schematic)

Ideal signal wave@ output from breadboard

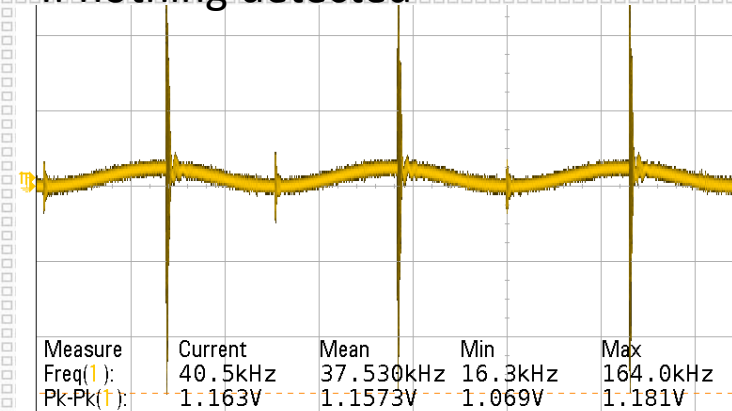


Actual signal wave on PCB

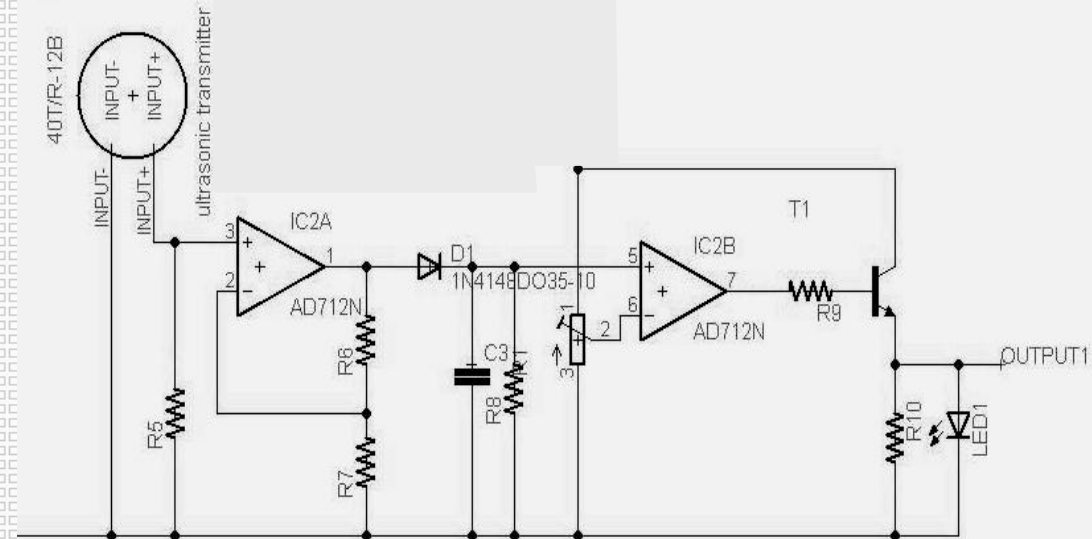
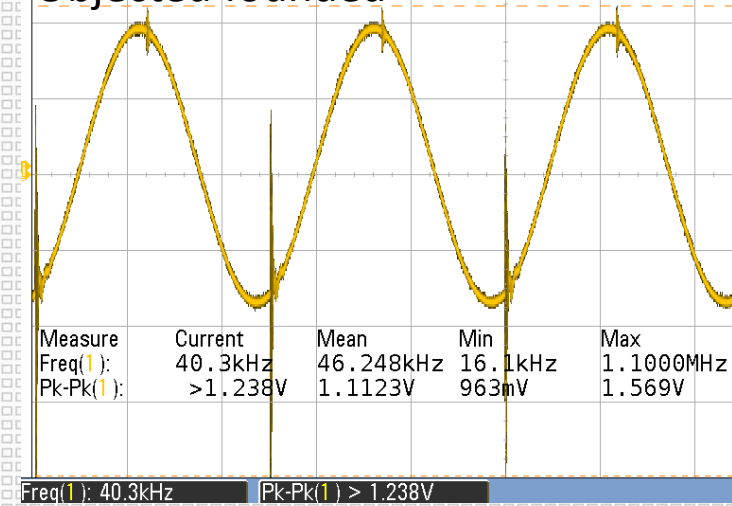


# Signal Receiver (Schematic)

If nothing detected

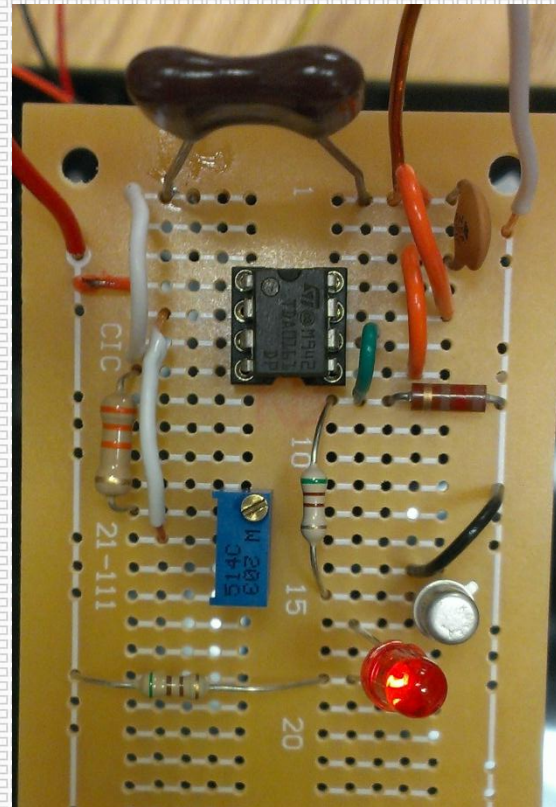


Objected founded



# Metal Detector

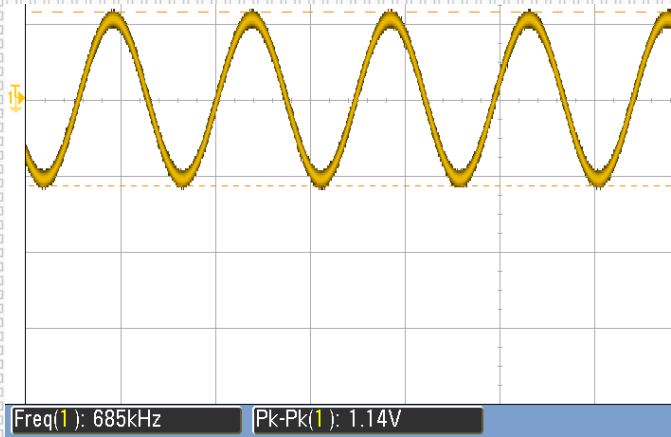
- Detect presence of any metallic object
- 2 analog signals(high/low) into MCU depending on the detection result
- Turning on/off LED depending on the detection result



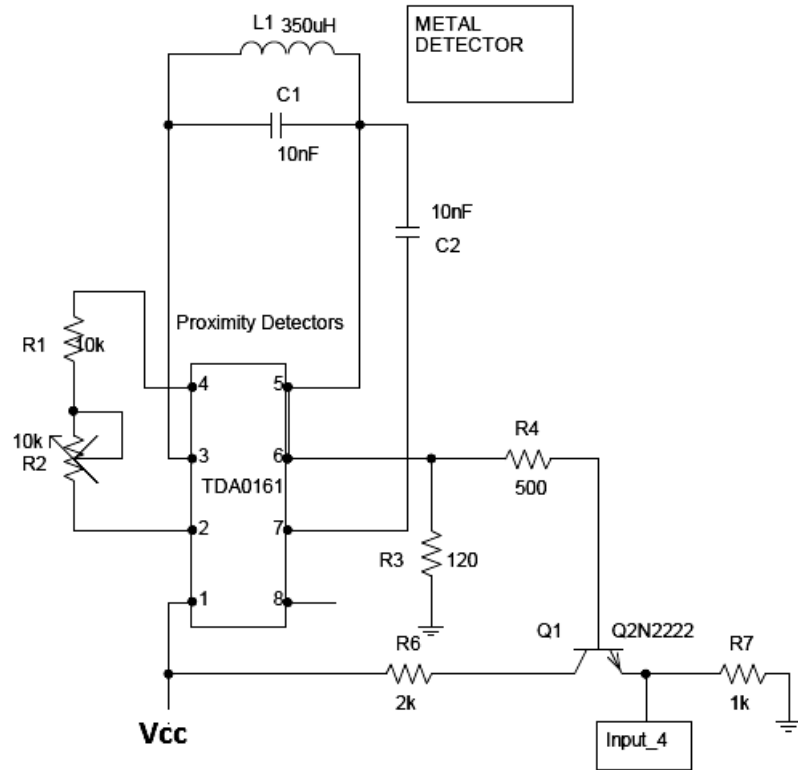
# Schematic

## Core Signal (L1)

'Empty' when nothing detected

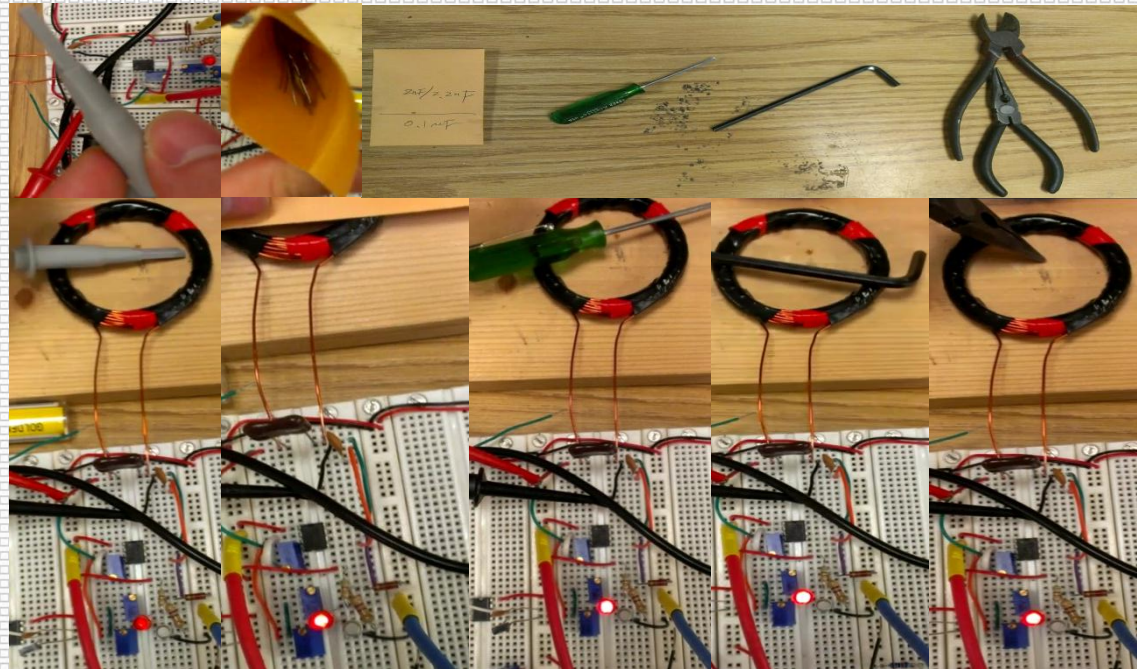
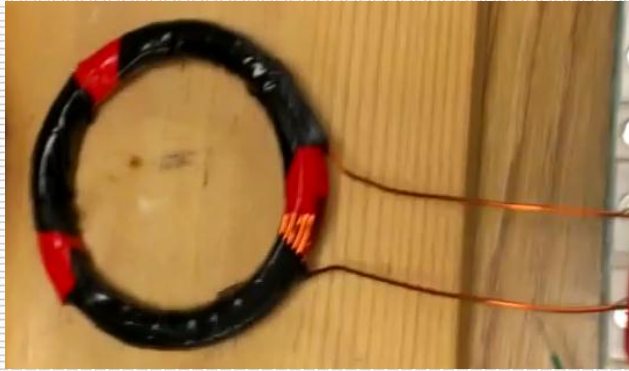


'Full' when metal detected



# Detectable size of Metal

Smaller Core in breadboard testing  
88uH



Bigger Core applied into basket  
580uH

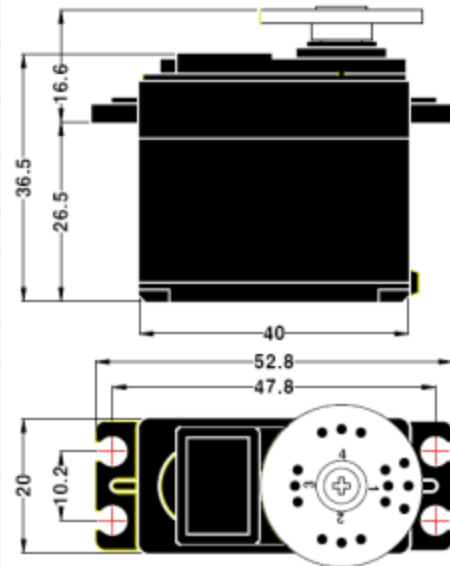


Bigger core increase the  
detection range but lower  
sensitivity to find out small  
metal objects



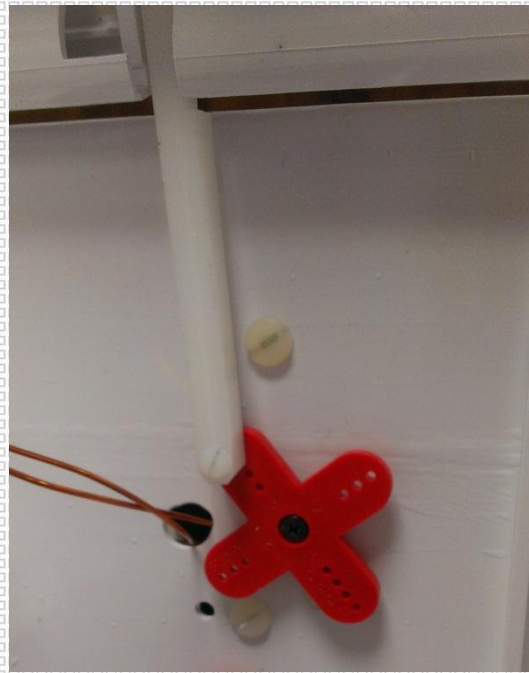
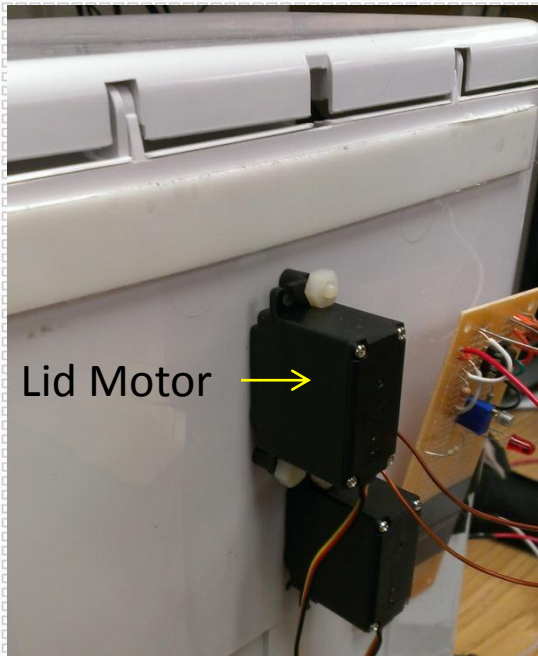
# Tilting Motor

- **Control System:** +Pulse Width Control  
**Required Pulse:** 5 Volt Peak to Peak Square Wave  
**Operating Voltage:** 5.0 Volts  
**Direction:** Multi-directional  
**Potentiometer Drive:** 4 Slider/Direct Drive
- Adjust duty cycle by MCU to control the angular position of motor. Represented in Lid/Sorting Plate Movement



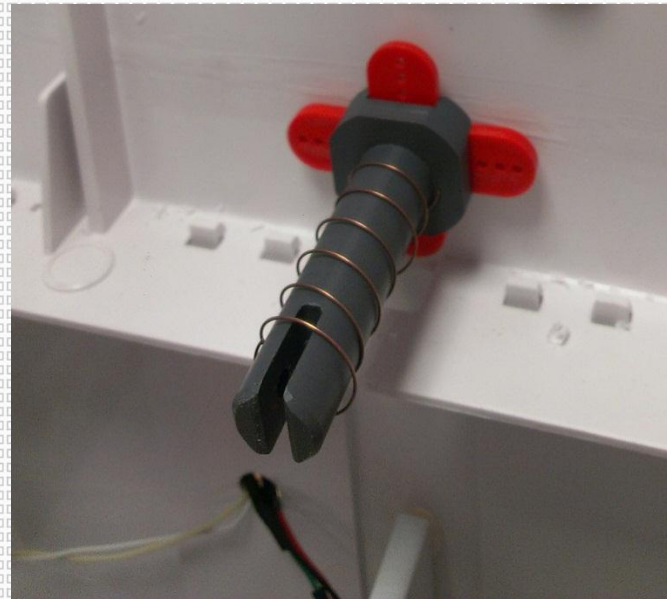
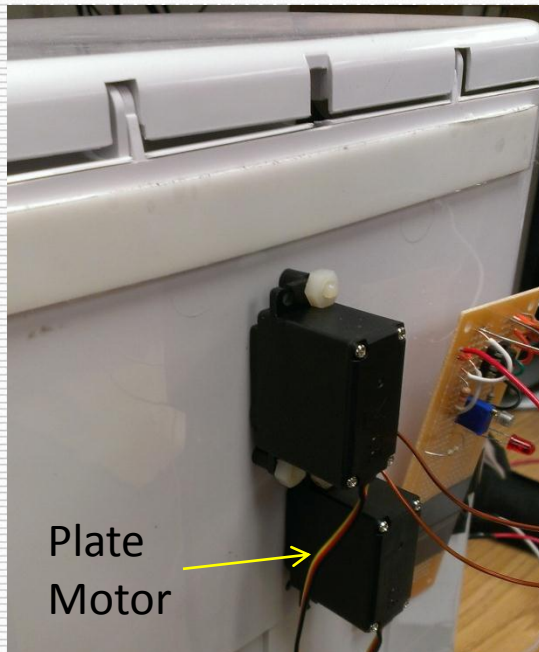
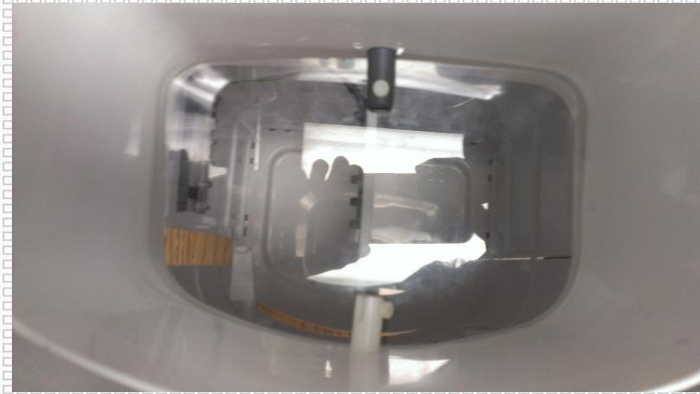
# Main Lid

- Open - 10% Duty Cycle @50Hz
- Close – 4% Duty Cycle @50Hz

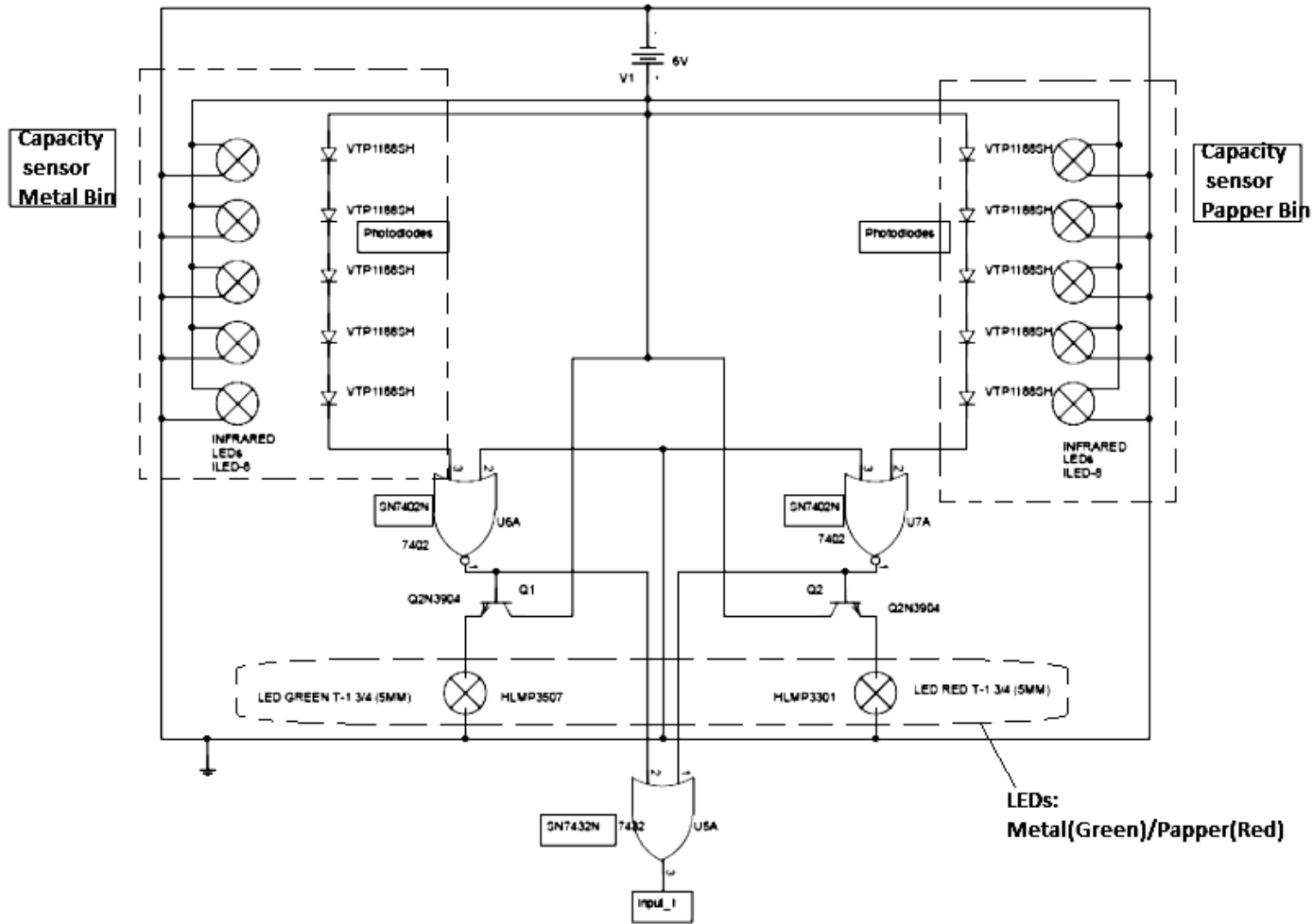


# Sorting Plate

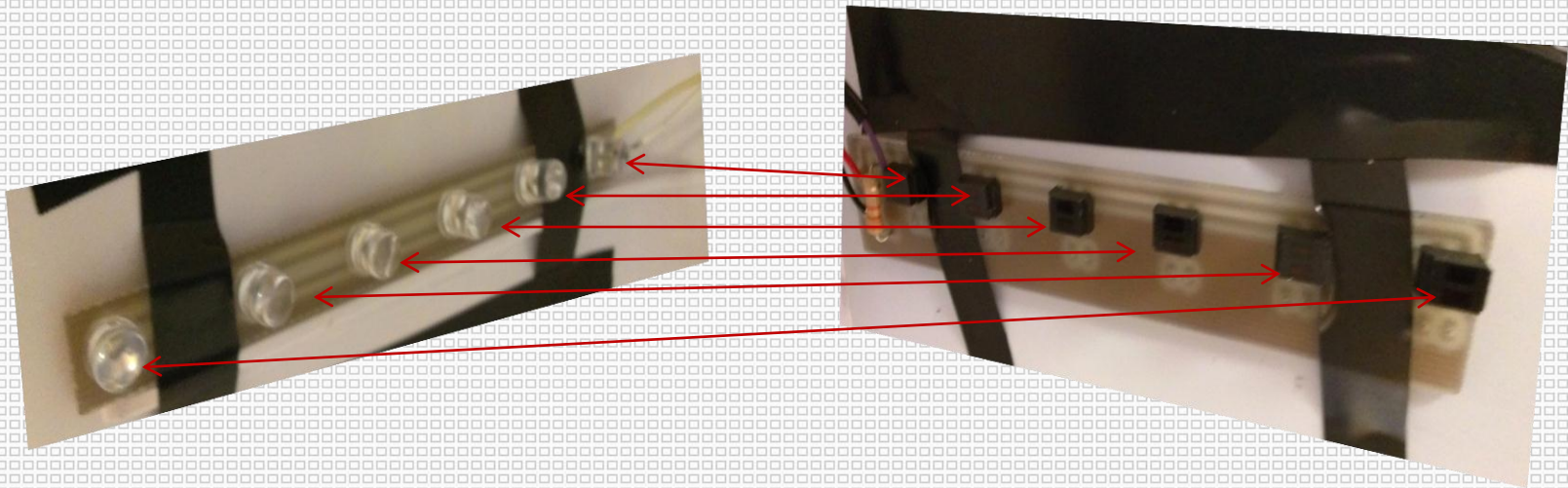
- 7.08'' x 4.72'' x 0.2''
- Left – 35% Duty Cycle @ 500Hz (80 degree from center)
- Middle – 67.5% Duty Cycle @ 500Hz
- Right – 96.5% Duty Cycle @ 500 Hz



# Capacity Check



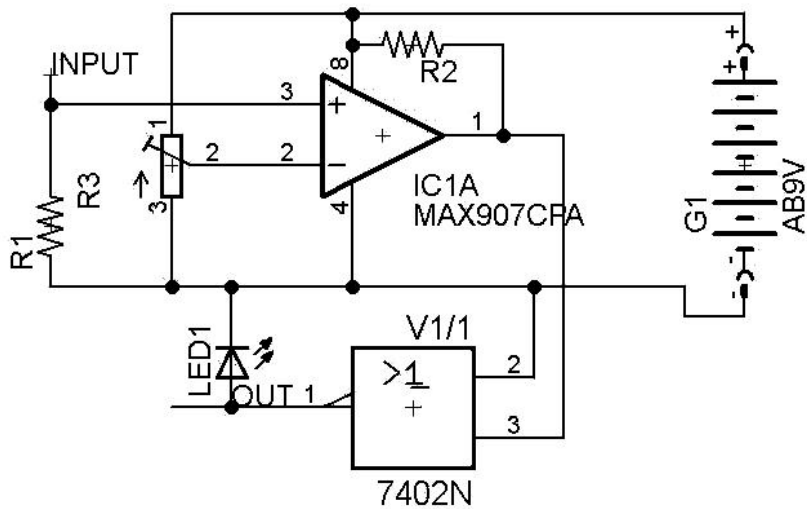
# IR LED & Sensor Bar



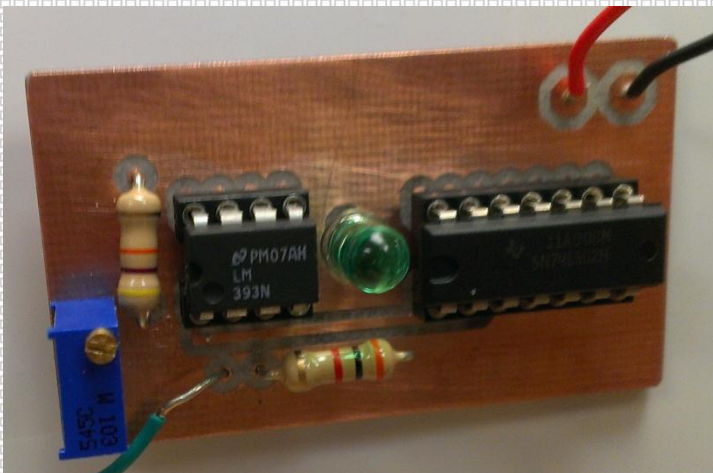
- Face each other in same level
- Sensor bar output changing significant as any of these “Red Lines” are blocked



# Logic Part



LED Turns ON when bin is full



# Software Overview



Pulse-width modulation is implemented on the Arduino. Arduino is the Main Hub to control all parts together.

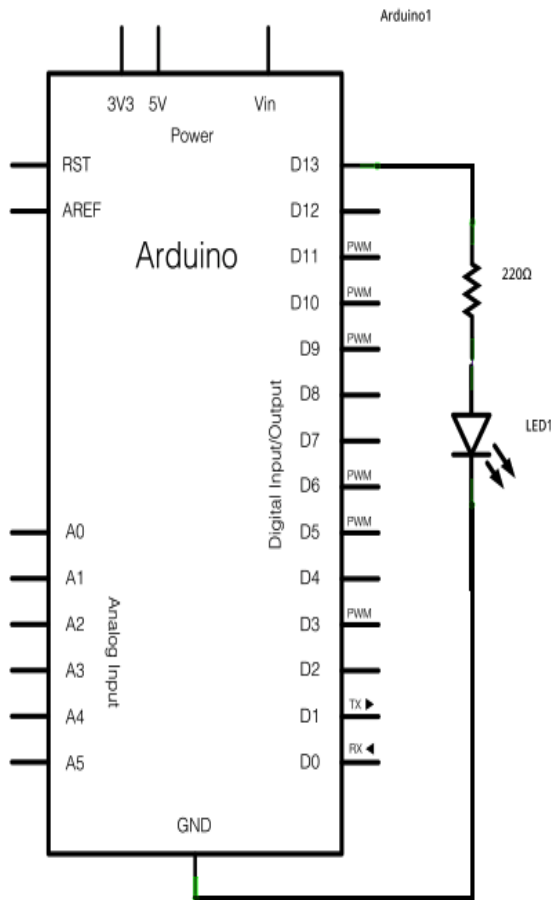
Arduino Uno

## Advantages:

- Can use any digital output pin.
- Can have full control the duty cycle and frequency.
- Can read analog signal from PCB output.



# MCU Layout



- **Analog input**

**A0:** Motion Sensor Output

**A1:** Metal Detection Result

**GND**

- **Digital Output**

**Pin13:** Connected to main lid Servo Motor

**Pin12:** Connected to tilting Servo Motor

**Ground & Vcc**



# How to Operate

- 1. Read Input A0 into memory
- 2. If “High”, Output Pin13 with “OPEN” PWM to turn on Lid
- 3. Hold certain time(4sec) before close, then activate input A1
- 4. If A1 “High”, Output to Pin12 and let plate motor turn right; else, left
- 5. Output Pin12 with “Middle” PWM signal to recover the plate position
- 6. Loop again, be ready to read new A0 input



# Challenge

Fault Output Signal  
(Motion Sensor) due  
to vibration



Sensitivity of Sensor



Alignment IR Sensor



Main Lid Weight



# Improvement

Used sponge to absorb  
vibration & Added delay in  
the code

Adjusted variable resistor to  
change reference voltage

Checked every voltage by  
moving it each time

Used the most outside shaft  
to give full length of rotation



# Strength

## **Mechanical Movement**

1. Sorting Plate
2. Main Lid

## **Sensitivity**

1. Sensitivity of Ultra-Sonic Sensor
2. Stable Capacity Check part

# Weakness

## Weak Wire Connection

Three different power Supplies  
(1.4V, 6V, and 9V)

Each PCB part need cover for good looking

Insensitivity for small metal objects



# Future Hardware Development

- Better track design on wire connection
- Regulation of different power needs
- Rearrange space to place PCBs
- Switch core to improve metal detection sensitivity



# Ethical Issues

- 1.Responsibility for our Environment
- 2.Always be careful with potential consequence
- 3.Constructive criticism to give feedback
- 4.Teamwork and Members' relationship
- 5.WHY NOT ME?



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