



Universal Gripper Controller Design with Visual Feedback

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- Motivation
- Steps
- Universal Gripper
- Spotlight
- Android Interface
- Conclusion







Building and testing two new Roombots compatible boards for controlling the Spotlight and the Gripper.







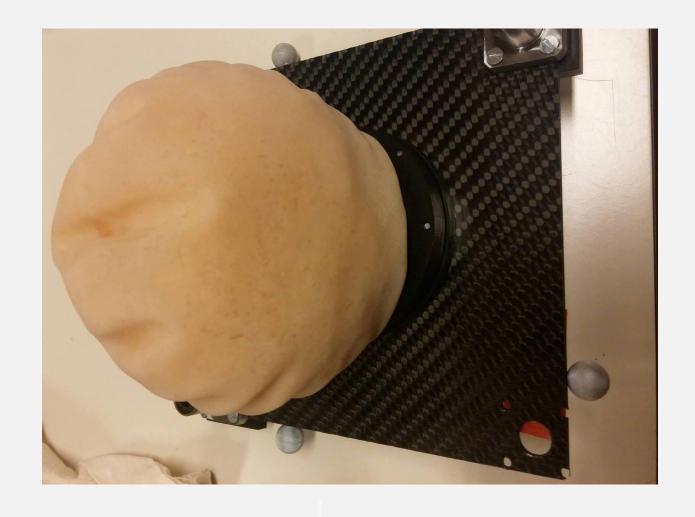


- Board Designs
- Firmware
- Tests





Universal Gripper



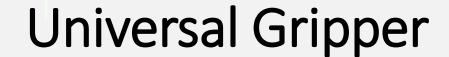




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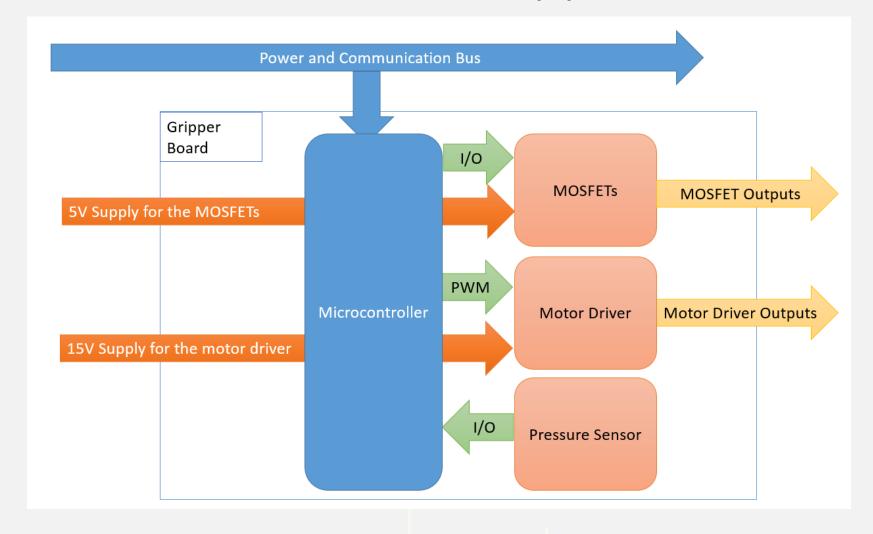








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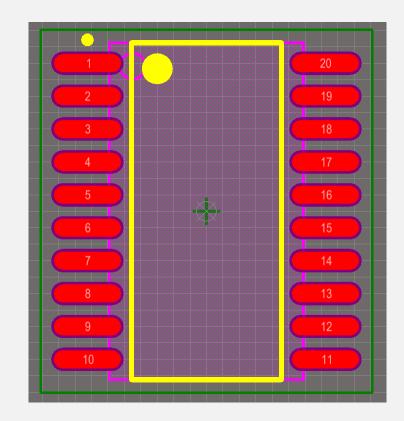


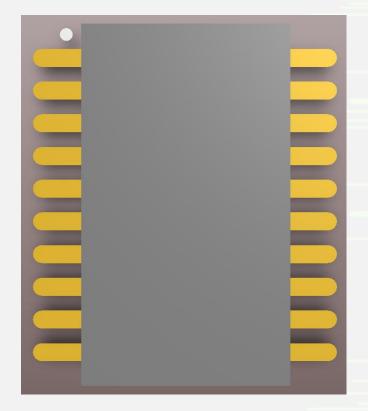






| 10 20 | VS | OUT1 OUT2 | 3 8 |
|-------|------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1 | VSS EN1 | OUT3 OUT4 | 13 18 |
| 11 | EN1 EN2 | GND | 4 5 |
| 2 9 | IN1 IN2 | GND GND GND | 6 7 |
| 12 | 111/2 | GND GND GND | 14 15 16 |
| 19 | IN3 IN4 | GND GND | 17 |

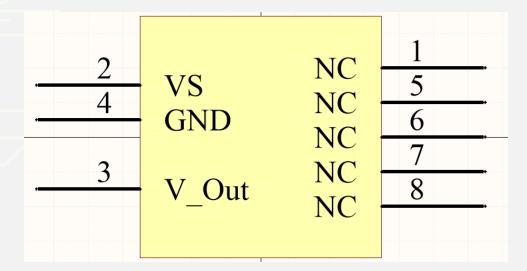


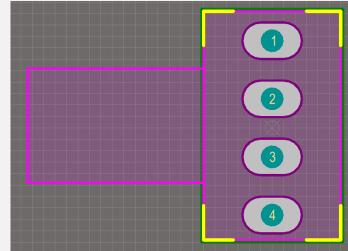


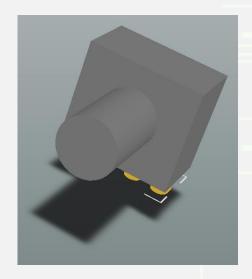








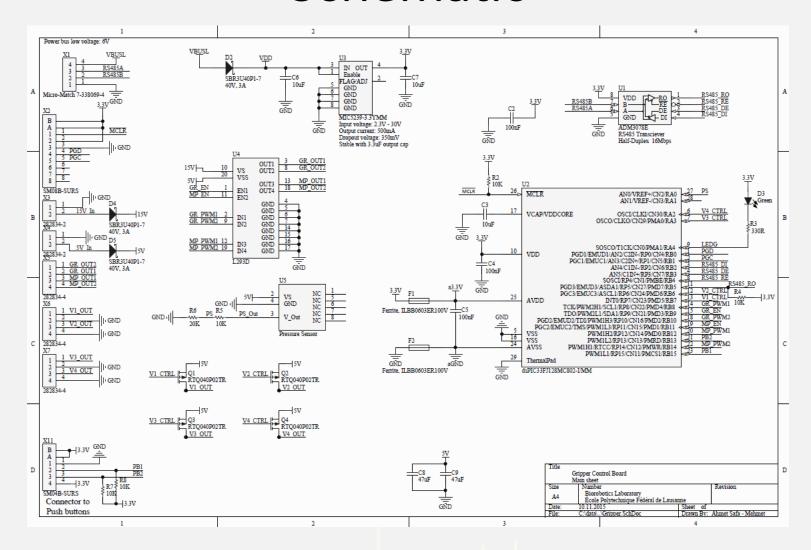




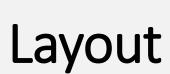




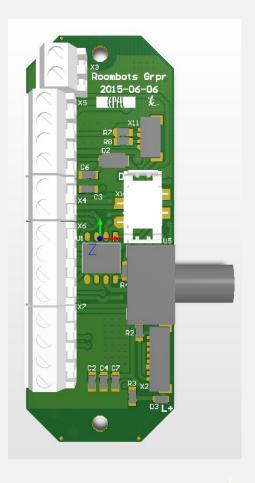
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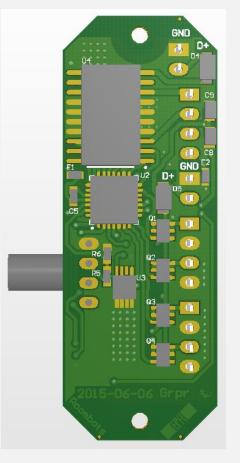








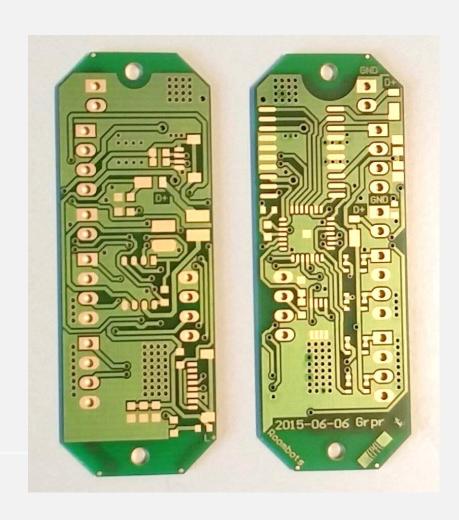


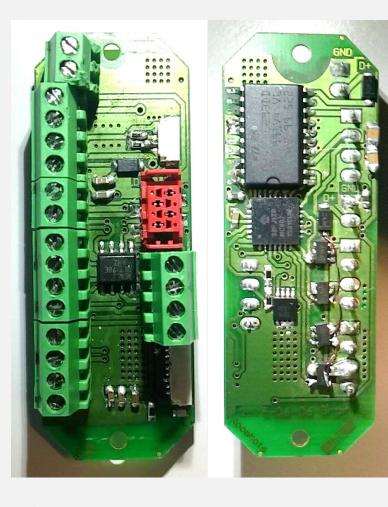
















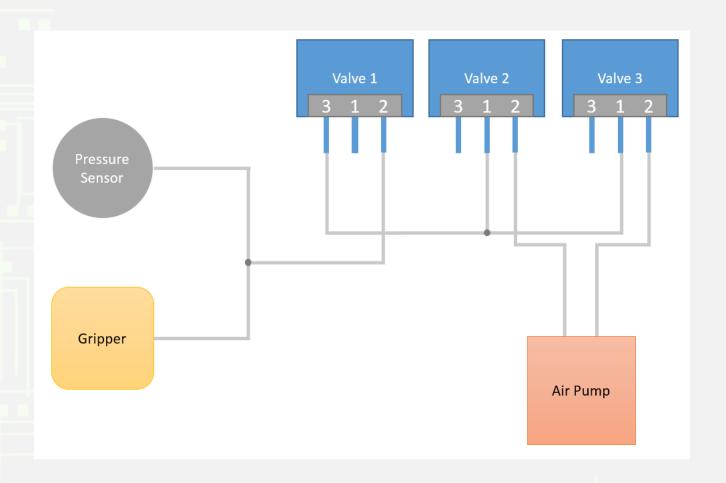


- Previous firmware from other boards
- PWM and ADC configuration
- Air pump on/off control
- Hardware test commands and functions
- User commands





Gripper Operations



| | Valve States | | | | |
|---|--------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|--|
| # | Valve | Valve | Valve | Operation | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | | |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Hold; Gripper keeps it's | |
| | U | U | U | pressure | |
| 2 | | | | Atmospheric; System keeps | |
| | 1 | 0 | 0 | the pressure of the Gripper | |
| | | | | at 1 atm. | |
| 3 | | | | Vacuum; Air Pump is able | |
| | 0 | 1 | 0 | to vacuum the air inside of | |
| | | | | the Gripper | |
| 4 | _ | | | +Pressure; Air Pump is able | |
| | 0 | 0 | 1 | pump air into the Gripper | |







| Command | Related Function | Operation |
|-------------------|------------------------------|--|
| "hold" | command_hold() | Sets system to "hold" position and stops the air pump. |
| "atm" & "patm" | command_atm() command_patm() | Sets system to "atmospheric" position with and without the air pump. |
| "grp" | command_grip() | Sets system to "vacuum" position and opens the air pump until minimum allowable pressure level reached. |
| "rls" | command_releas e() | Sets system to "+pressure" position and opens the air pump until maximum allowable pressure level reached. |

| Command | Related Function | | Operation | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----|---|-----------|--|
| "prconfig" | command_config | gu | Sets and gets the different pressure types. | | |
| | re_pressure() | | | | |
| Pressure Type | | | Appended Letter Can be read or set? | | |
| Maximum allowable pressure | | | "r" | both | |
| or releasing pressure | | | | | |
| Minimum allowable pressure | | | "g" | both | |
| or gripping pressure | | | | | |
| Atmospheric pressure | | | "a" | both | |
| Desired pressure | | | "d" | both | |
| Measured pressure | | | "m" | just read | |
| Error margin | | | "e" both | | |
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| "pwmconfig" command_configu | | | Sets and gets the speed of the air pump. | | |

re_pwm()

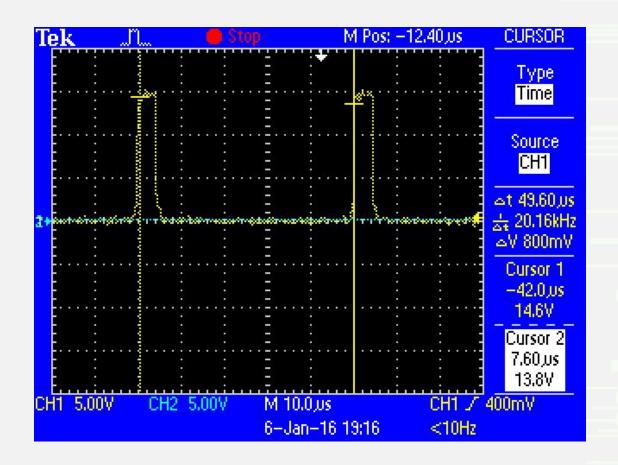






| Output Voltage | 12-bit Reading | Expected Pressure | Measured Pressure |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 3.3 V | 1958 | < 1atm | 0.75 atm |
| 4.3 V | 3405 | 1 atm | 0.97 atm |
| 4.5 V | 3868 | > 1 atm | 1 atm |

| Expected Value | Measured Value | Error |
|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 10% | 6.45% | 35.5% |
| 25% | 23.2% | 7.2% |
| 50% | 48.8% | 2.4% |
| 75% | 74.6% | 0.53% |
| 90% | 90.4% | 0.44% |





Results

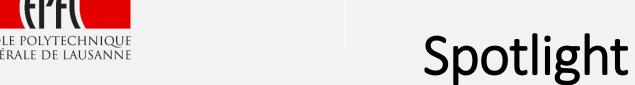




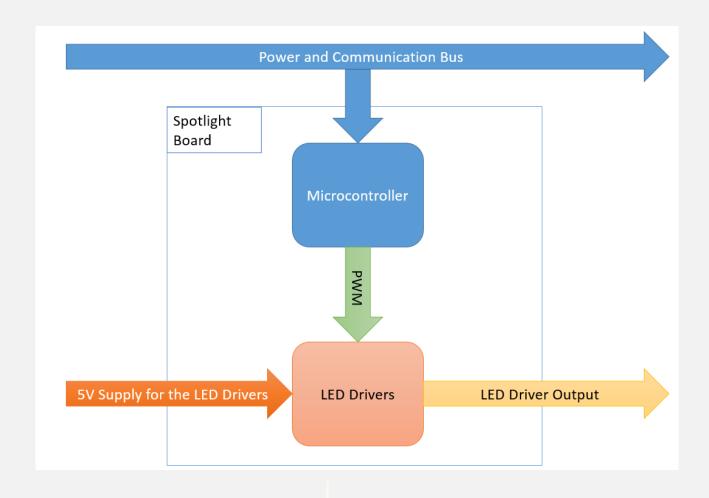








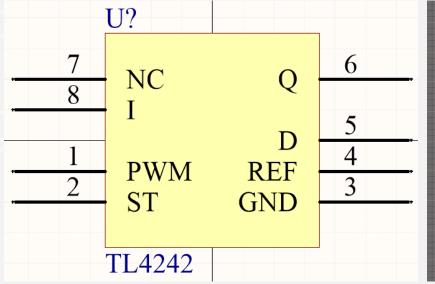


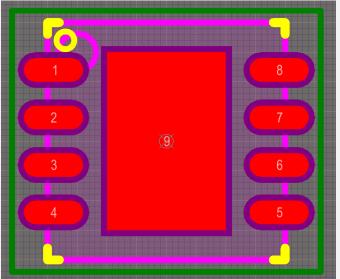


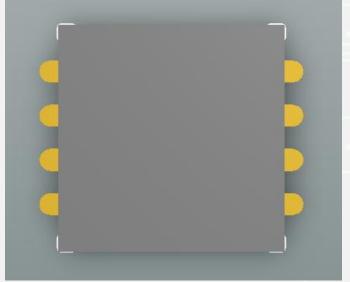








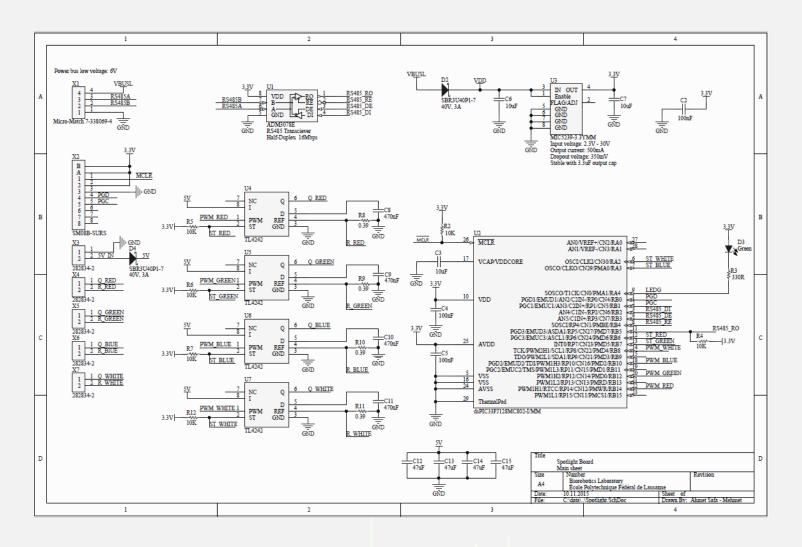








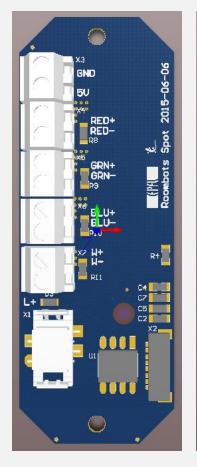
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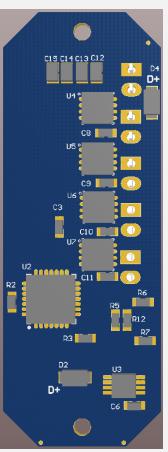






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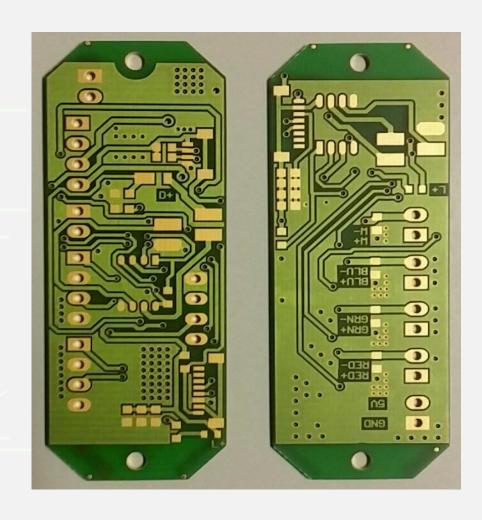


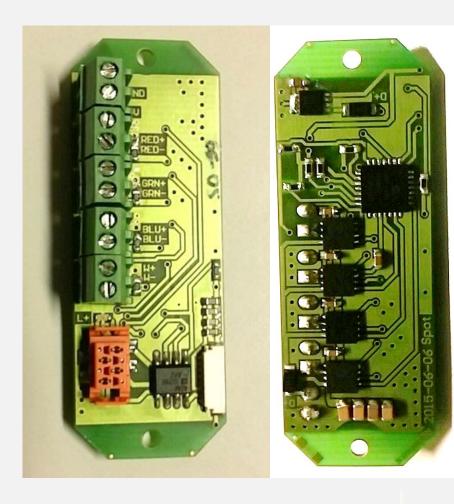










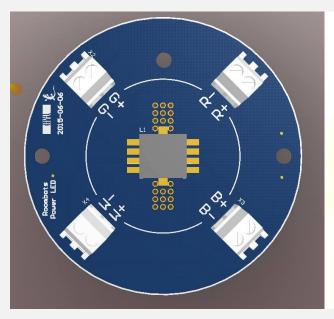


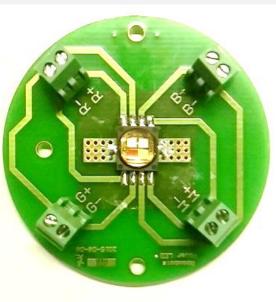
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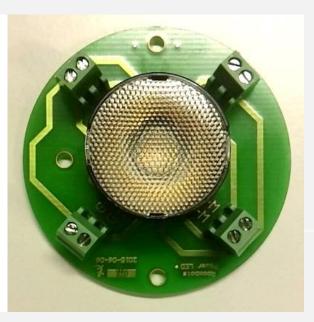


















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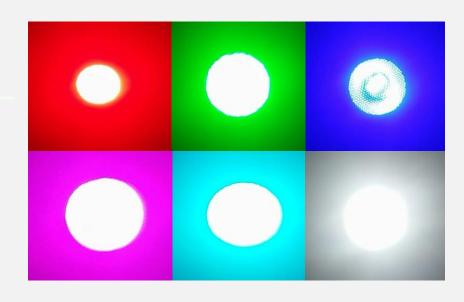


| Command | Related Function | Operation | |
|---------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| "c" | command_rgbw() | Sets the color of the spotlight. | |
| "r" | command_rainbow() | Starts rainbow effect. | |
| "p" | command_pulsating() | Starts pulsating effect. | |
| "b" | command_blink() | Starts blink effect. | |







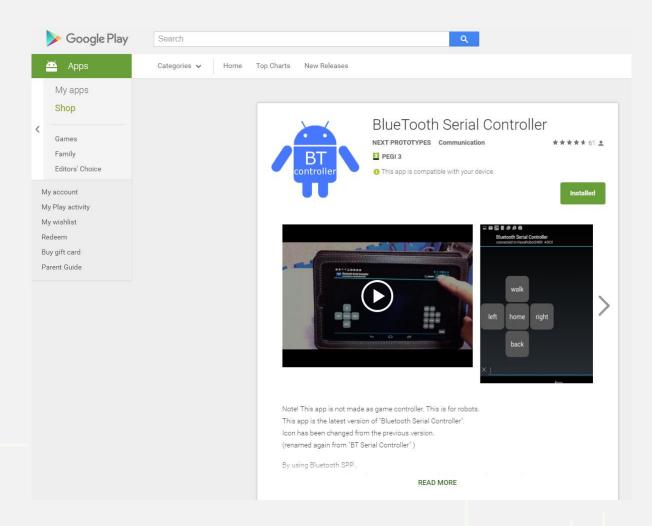


| # | Brightness Level | | Expected Current | Measured Current | | |
|----|------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | RED | GREEN | BLUE | WHITE | Consumption (mA) | Consumption (mA) |
| 1 | 25% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 87 mA | 70 mA |
| 2 | 50% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 175 mA | 160 mA |
| 3 | 75% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 262 mA | 250 mA |
| 4 | 99% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 350 mA | 310 mA |
| 5 | 0% | 25% | 0% | 0% | 87 mA | 70 mA |
| 6 | 0% | 50% | 0% | 0% | 175 mA | 160 mA |
| 7 | 0% | 75% | 0% | 0% | 262 mA | 260 mA |
| 8 | 0% | 99% | 0% | 0% | 350 mA | 320 mA |
| 9 | 0% | 0% | 25% | 0% | 87 mA | 70 mA |
| 10 | 0% | 0% | 50% | 0% | 175 mA | 170 mA |
| 11 | 0% | 0% | 75% | 0% | 262 mA | 270 mA |
| 12 | 0% | 0% | 99% | 0% | 350 mA | 330 mA |
| 13 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 25% | 87 mA | 70 mA |
| 14 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 50% | 175 mA | 170 mA |
| 15 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 75% | 262 mA | 250 mA |
| 16 | 0% | 0% | 0% | 99% | 350 mA | 320 mA |
| 17 | 25% | 25% | 0% | 0% | 175 mA | 150 mA |
| 18 | 25% | 25% | 25% | 0% | 262 mA | 220 mA |
| 19 | 25% | 25% | 25% | 25% | 350 mA | 300 mA |
| 20 | 50% | 50% | 0% | 0% | 350 mA | 320 mA |
| 21 | 50% | 50% | 50% | 0% | 525 mA | 490 mA |
| 22 | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | 700 mA | 660 mA |
| 23 | 75% | 75% | 0% | 0% | 525 mA | 520 mA |
| 24 | 75% | 75% | 75% | 0% | 787 mA | 800 mA |
| 25 | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 1050 mA | 1060 mA |
| 26 | 99% | 99% | 0% | 0% | 700 mA | 640 mA |
| 27 | 99% | 99% | 99% | 0% | 1050 mA | 1000 mA |
| 28 | 99% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 1400 mA | 1290 mA |

















- Design two boards for Roombots modules
- Achievements:
 - Color Control & Effects
 - Pressure Control & Gripper Operations







- Firmware correction
- Pressure Sensor filtering
- Android





