

# SMART BACKPACK



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# Background

How do people ensure they have all items needed for an event?

## REMINDERS



## CHECKLISTS



How is monitoring and identification done in our society today?

- RFID TECHNOLOGY

An RFID system consists of  
Reader  
Transponder or tag



# Background

## Goals

- Compensate for the failures of a reminder and checklist
  - Active Monitoring of items
- Avoid frustration of losing/forgetting important items

Who are our customers?





# Problem Definition



## What's Needed?

We need to monitor, track and crosscheck if user's essential items are within close proximity.

## The Problem Statement

We want to design a system that monitors and keeps track of items needed based on a user's schedule and notifies the user whenever an item needed for any of the day's activities goes outside a certain range of the system.

# Design Requirements

	<b>Descriptions</b>
<b>Function</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Monitoring of users item when motion is first detected (<b>10 Sec</b>)</li><li>➤ Issue notification if user attempts to leave without an item needed at their projected destination. (<b>1M Proximity Range</b>)</li></ul>
<b>User Interface</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Allow user to specify Events and items that are needed for each event (<b>Android Application</b>)</li><li>➤ Allow user to view and edit inventory, Associate Tagged Items with custom item name (<b>Android Application</b>)</li><li>➤ Notify the user of items needed if missing. (<b>Smartphone</b>)</li></ul>



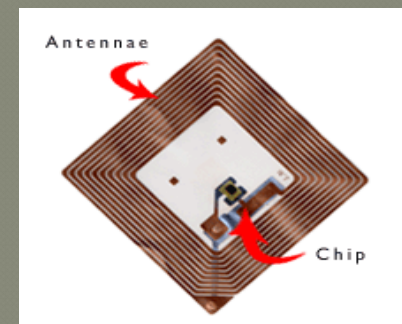
# Design Requirements

	<b>Descriptions</b>
<b>System capabilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Motion Triggered (<b>Motion Sensor</b>)</li><li>➤ Automatically update inventory received from the User interface</li><li>➤ Automatic Notification Alerts (<b>Less than 1min</b>)</li><li>➤ Wireless Communication between user interface and micro-computer (<b>Bluetooth 4.0</b>) (<b>10-12m range</b>)</li></ul>
<b>Compliance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Adhere to the relevant standard (<b>ISO 18185</b>)</li></ul>
<b>Others</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Low Noise level (<b>20db</b>)</li><li>➤ Light weight system (<b>3lb</b>)</li><li>➤ Optimum battery life (<b>8hrs</b>)</li><li>➤ Ease of use (<b>10mins setup, 10mins learning</b>)</li></ul>

# Current Status of Art

## **Fundamental Theory**

- RFID transceiver (reader) antenna emits radio waves
- RFID transponders (tags) within range absorb the energy discharged by the reader
- Absorbed signal is altered(amplitude shift keying) by the tag's data and backscattered to the reader
- The reader receives and compares this modified wave to the original to extract the data





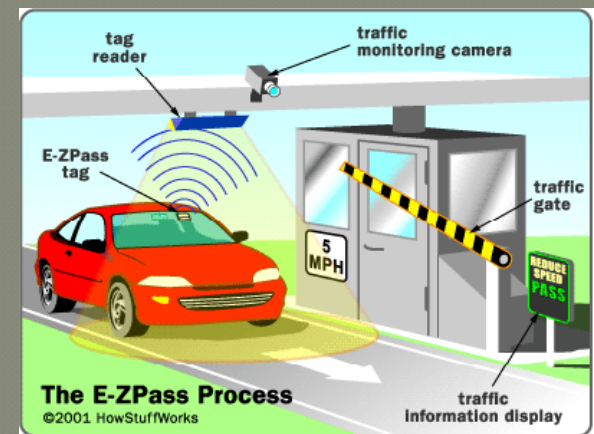
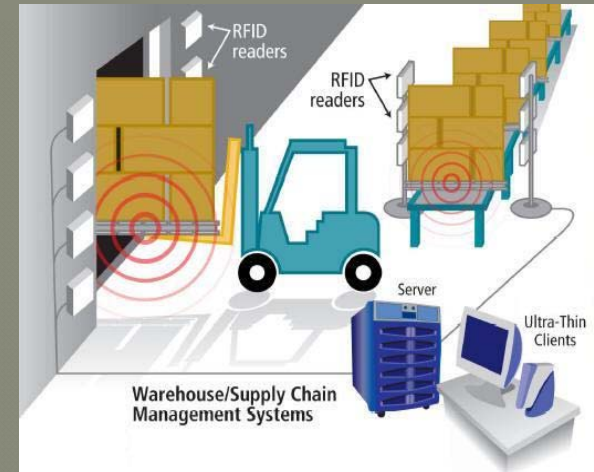
# Current Status of Art

## Features

- Tags can store 2KB of data
- No direct line of sight needed for system
- System can employ WIFI/Bluetooth technologies
- Tags can be located through triangulation

## Weaknesses/Improvement Points

- Tradeoffs occur with change in RFID signal frequency
- Expensive
- Many metals and liquid(aluminum foil, water, etc.) can cause interference in the system

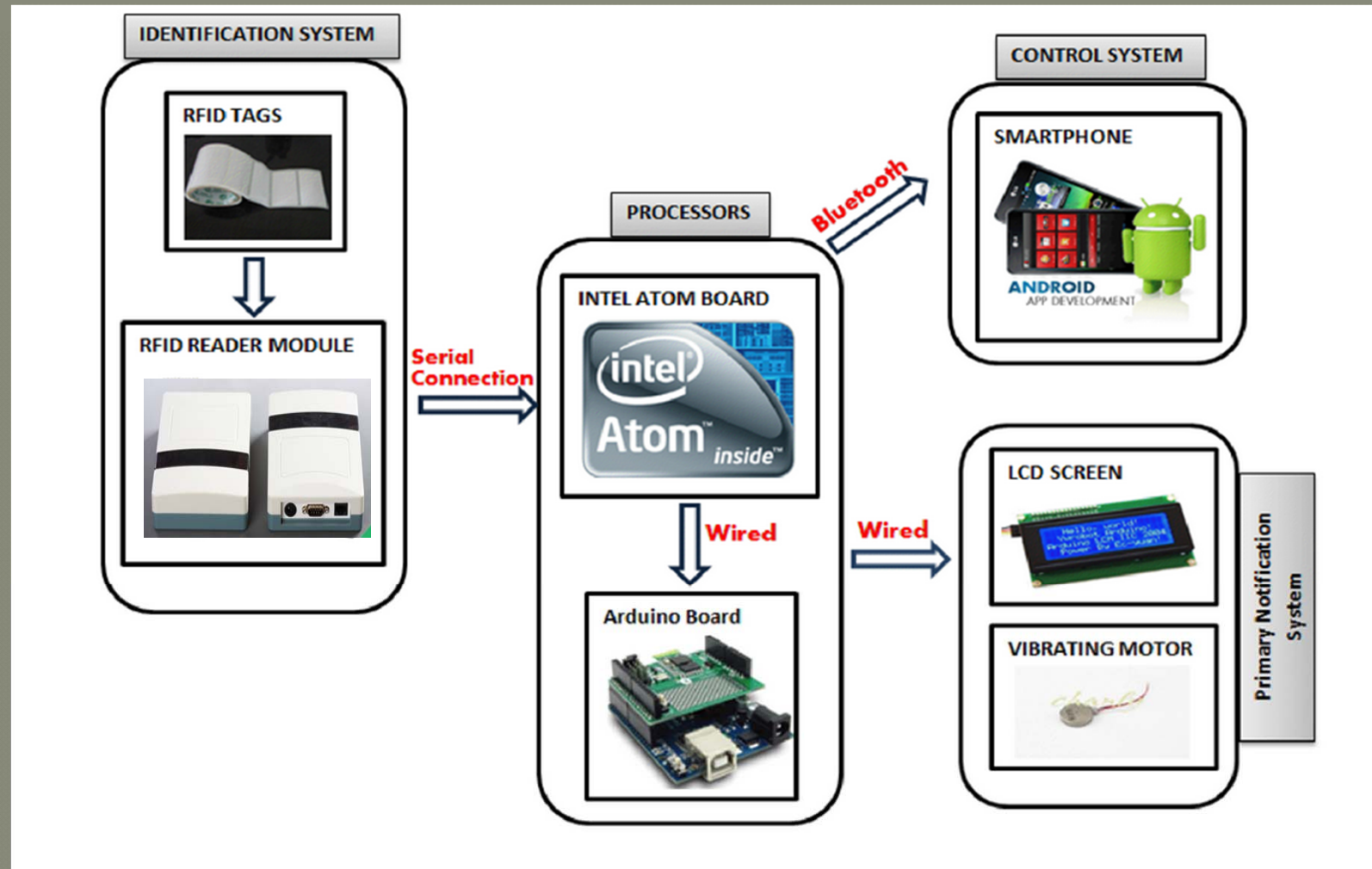


# Solution Approach

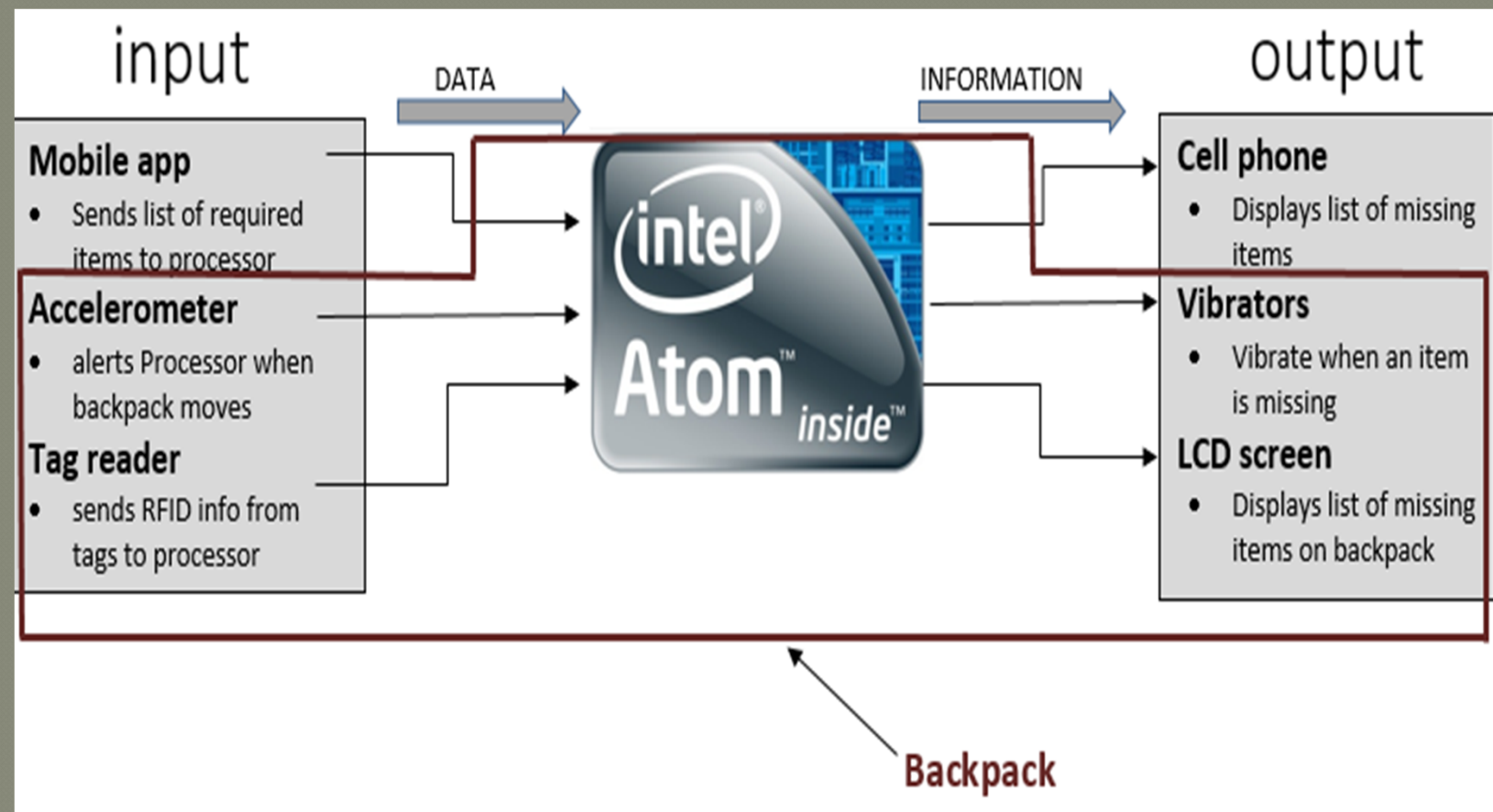
1. Microprocessor obtains user's schedule from organizer
2. Required items are decoded from tasks listed on the schedule
3. RFID reading action is triggered whenever motion is detected by accelerometer
4. Notification (tracking) system is triggered as user leaves the home
5. Microprocessor notifies user whenever items go outside the RFID reader's range
  - Vibration motion, alert sent to phone & displayed on LCD screen



# Solution Approach



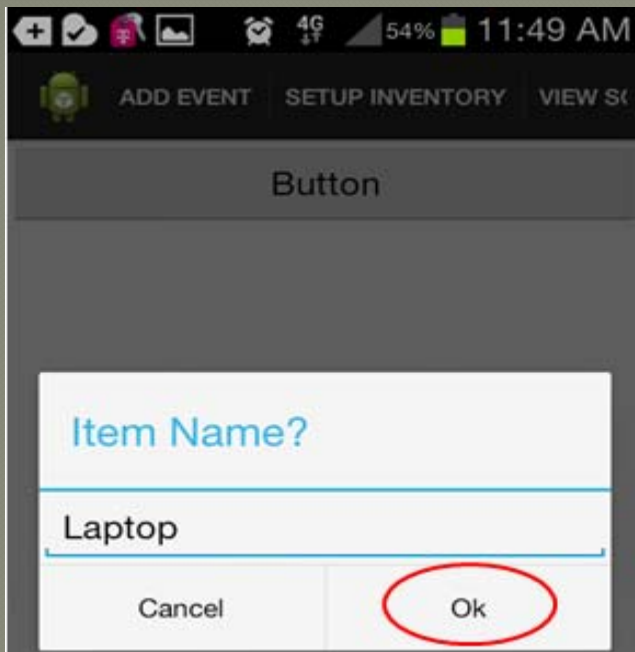
# System Implementation



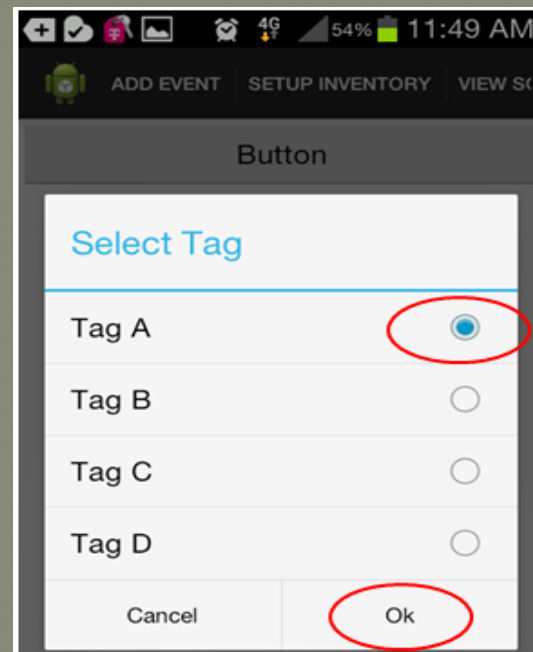


# Solution Implementation

App Development :

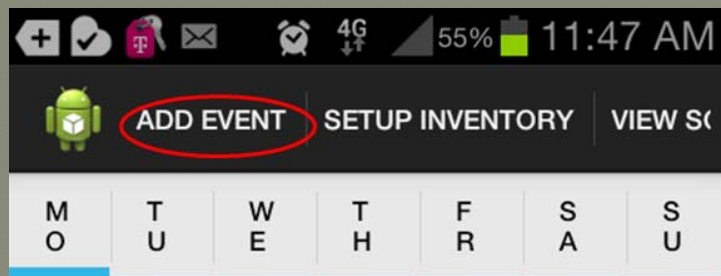


Adding Item to Inventory

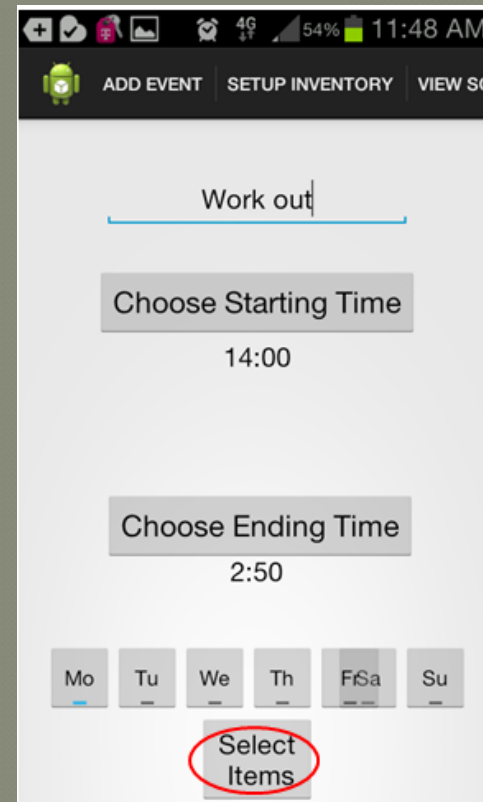


Associating Item with a Tag

# Solution Implementation



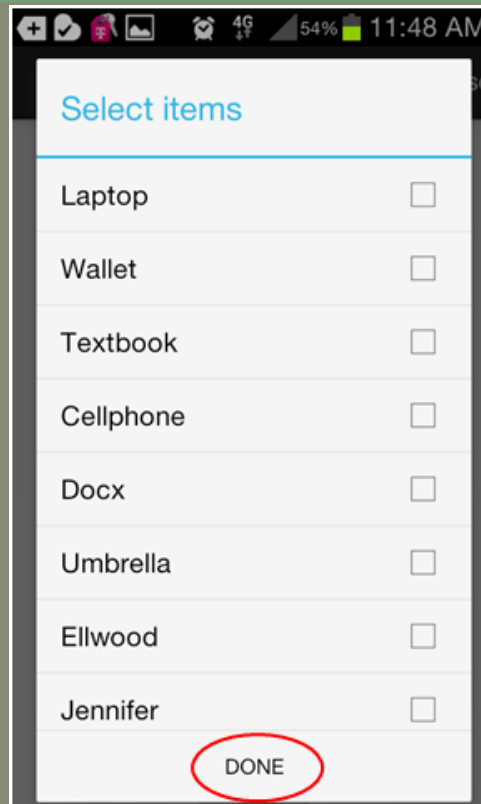
Adding an Event



Associating an Event with its Items

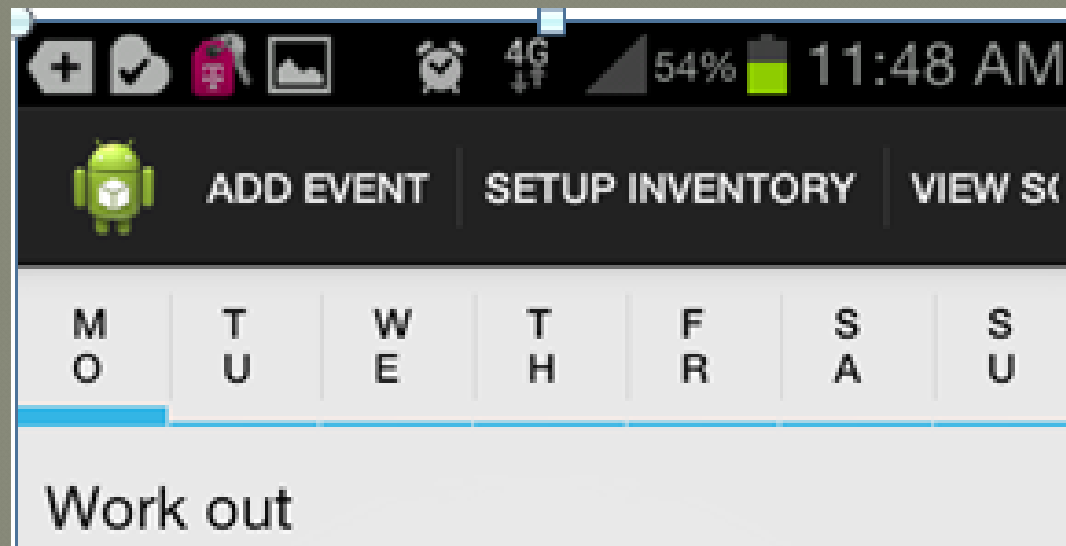


# Solution Implementation



## Item Selection

# Solution Implementation

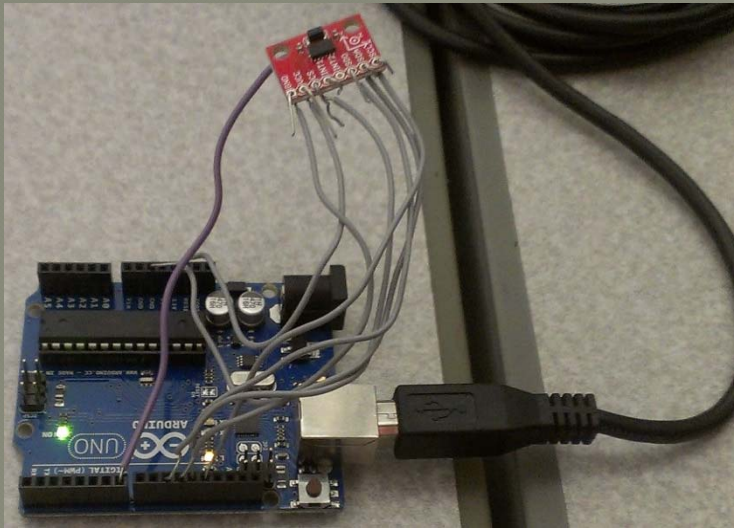


Finished Event for a Given Day

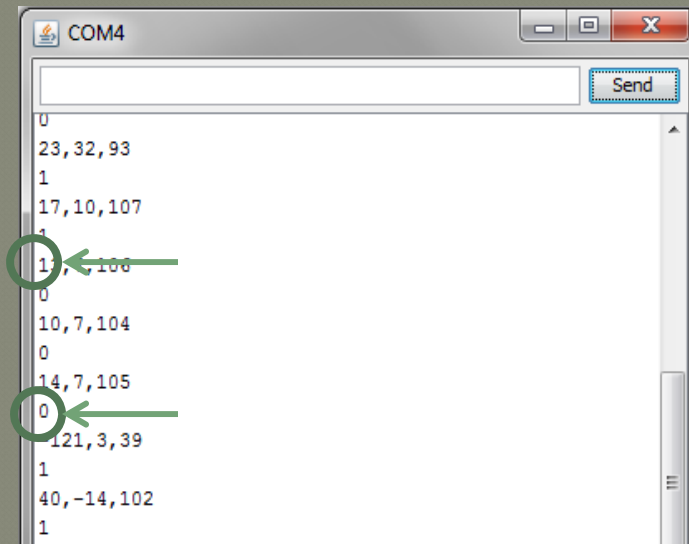


# Solution Implementation

## Accelerometer Functionality :



Arduino Uno + ADXL345  
Accelerometer



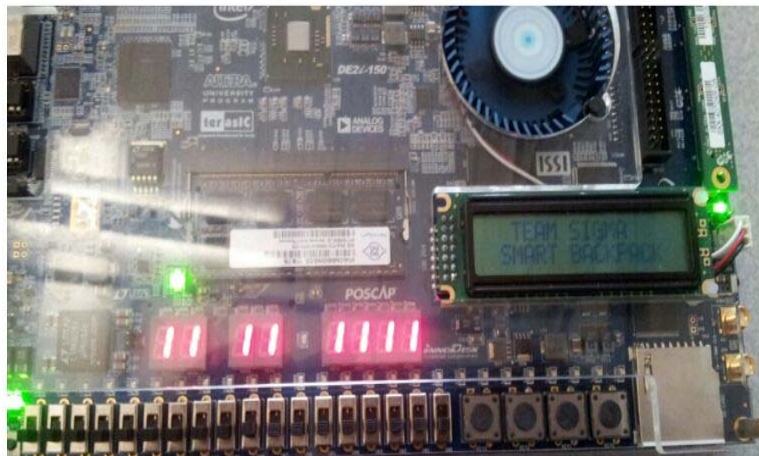
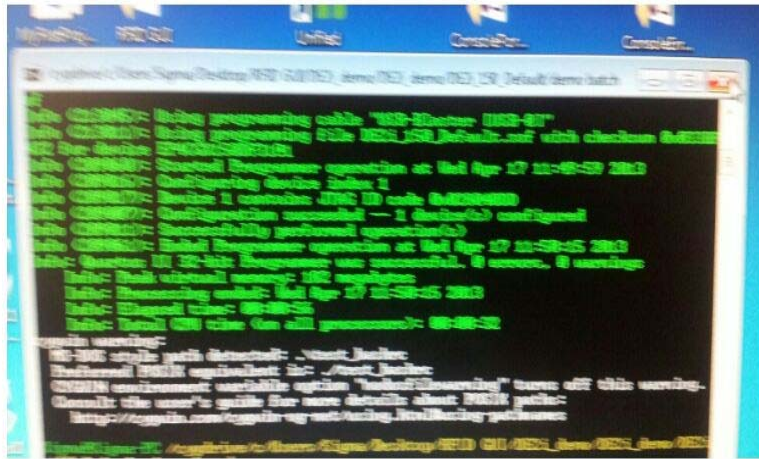
Serial Communication Port 4

Motion is detected when current accelerometer value is greater than past accelerometer value by more than a value of 15



# Solution Implementation

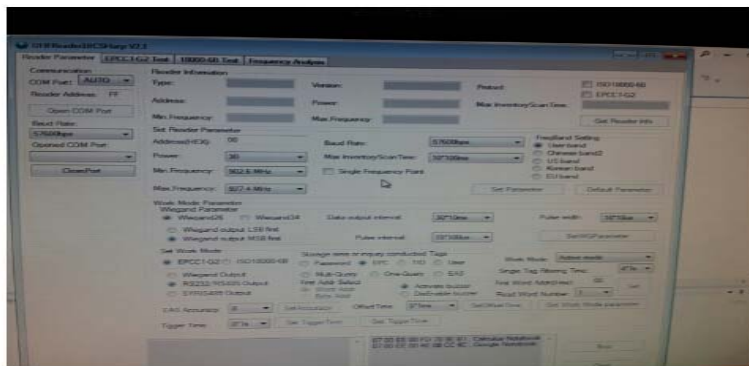
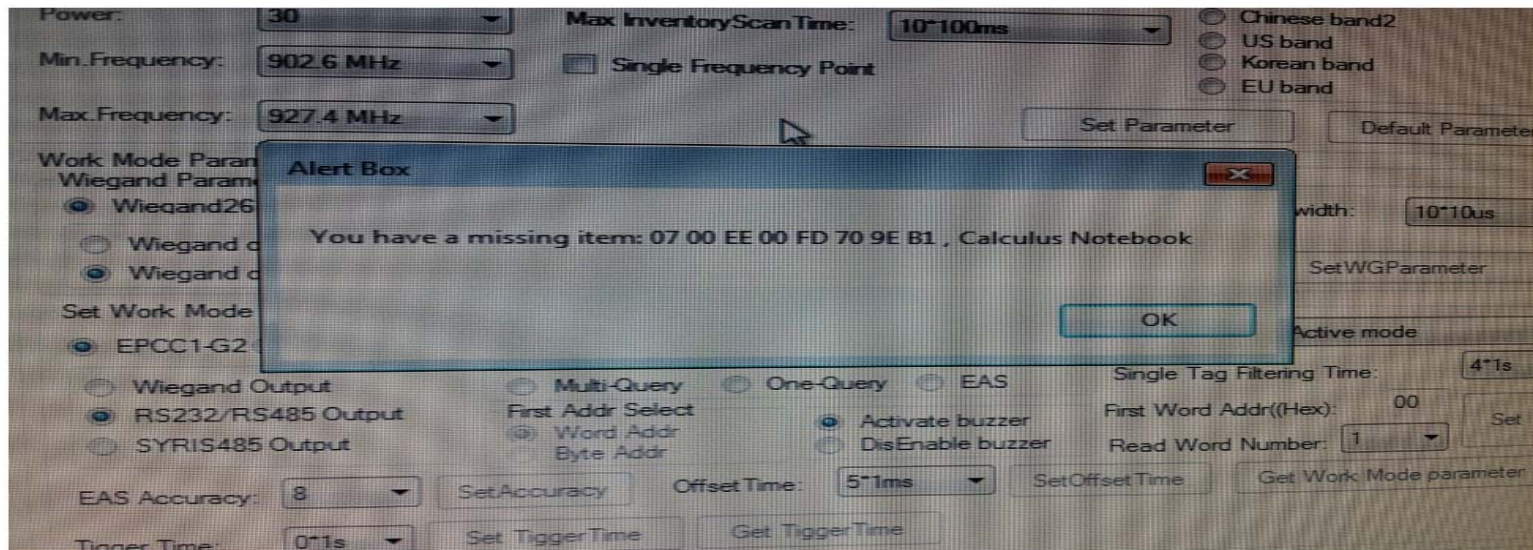
FPGA and LCD Functionality





# Solution Implementation

## RFID Functionality



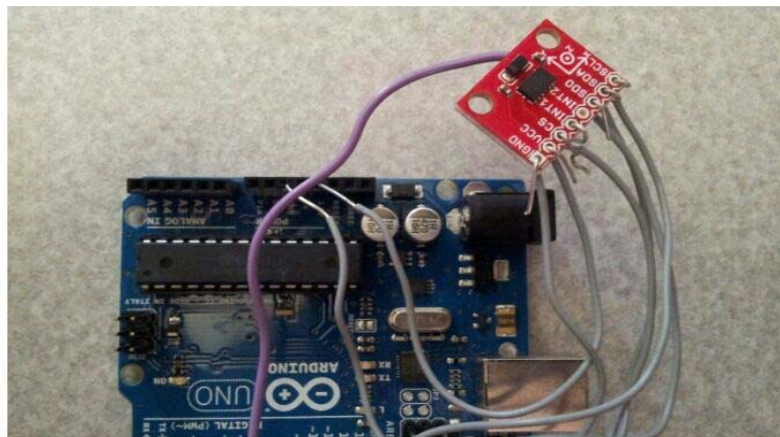
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# Solution Implementation

## System Integration

```
//  
  
public SerialPortMotionDetection()  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("Incoming Data:");  
  
    // Attach a method to be called when there  
    // is data waiting in the port's buffer  
    port4.DataReceived += new SerialDataReceivedEventHa  
  
    // Begin communications  
    port4.Open();  
  
    // Enter an application loop to keep this thread al  
    //Form.  
    // Application.Run();  
}
```



```
foreach (string missingItem in missingItemList)  
{  
    MessageBox.Show("You have a missing item: " + missingItem, "Alert Box");  
}  
  
//If (reqItemFound == false)  
//{  
    MessageBox.Show("You have a missing item", "Alert Box");  
}
```



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# Solution Implementation

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Power Management

(Please Add Screenshots)

# Solution Implementation

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Team Sigma Smart Backpack Final Product

(Please Add Final Integration Picture)



# Testing and Evaluation

Steps	Function	Test	Pass / Fail
Calendar information	Information is making it from app/phone to processor	Information is properly showing on processor	Pass
System state	Motion turns on RFID reader scanning	RFID reader begins to scan after motion is detected	Pass
Tag identification	Reader is recognizing tags within region	Tags are being read	Pass
Tag proximity	Error message is sent when tag moves outside of region	Processor correctly realizes that a certain tag is missing	Pass
User notification	Error message is received by user through each outlet	App/Vibrator/LCD screen correctly function	Pass

# Testing and Evaluation

Test	Pass Value	Value	Pass / Fail
Weight	3 lbs		
Read Range(Direct LOS)	1m	1.5 m	Pass
Read Range(No Direct LOS)	1m	0.7 m	Fail
Noise Level	20 dB	52 dB	Fail



# Testing and Evaluation

Test	Pass Value	Value	Pass / Fail
Motion Detection Time	<5s	4s	Pass
Error Notification Time – Vibrating Motor	<5s	3s	Pass
Error Notification Time – Phone	<5s	18s	Fail
Error Notification Time – LCD Screen	<5s	52s	Fail

# Costs and Resources

Budget(\$2500)	
Items	Cost
RFID reader and tags	\$200
Accelerometer	\$30
Rechargeable Battery	\$140
Vibrating Motors	\$30
Bluetooth Adapter	\$20
Travel to Orlando (CC Finals)	\$970
Accommodation (CC Finals)	\$1,060
Total	\$2,450



# Costs and Resources

<b>Physical Resources</b>	<b>Technical Resources</b>
Quartus II – FPGA Access	Classwork background
Visual Studio – RFID control	Practical corporate experience
Eclipse – Application development	

# Conclusion

- Our Smart Backpack solution partially meets our customers' need of ensuring that important items are never left behind
- With additional time, we will continue finishing our system integration
- Also, we will improve our designs performance to align with our design requirements
- We compete in the Cornell Cup 2013 Presented by Intel in May 2-4, 2013 at Disney's Contemporary Resort.







#### Team Sigma

##### Howard University

In our daily lives, we have generally come to rely on our memory, reminders on mobile devices, and physical checklists for making preparations to take on our daily tasks; These preparations include knowing the time and location of each task, as well as what materials/items will be required for each engagement. Despite memory reminders and checklists, we still often find ourselves in situations where we either show up for our tasks without required materials or leave important items behind as we move between tasks. Thus, a noteworthy imperfection to the working of a reminder is the reminder's failure to monitor and crosscheck if a user



For a user to avoid the frustration of losing/forgetting important item create a smart backpack that accesses a user's daily schedule, deduces scheduled tasks, and notifies the user whenever these required item: the backpack. Sigma's solution seeks to alert the user if any required the computational power and storage ability of Intel's processor with accelerometer, an LCD screen, and a mobile application.

# Q&A

