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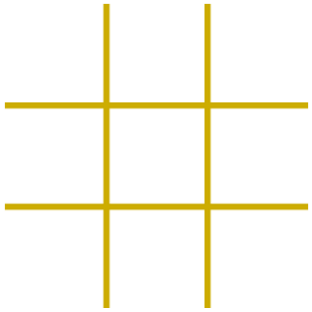
Team Terminator

A Tic-Tac-Toe Playing Robot



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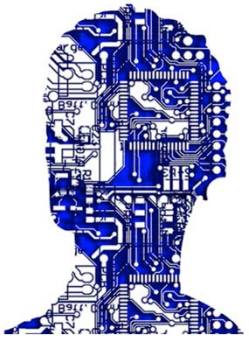
Problem Definition

Long Term Goal is to create an AI Robot capable of playing multiple games like Tic-Tac-Toe and Chess in the Physical Space for Cheap.

2017-18 Goal is to create an AI robot capable of playing Tic-Tac-Toe



Problem Statement

Is it possible to create an AI Robot capable of playing games in the physical space?

Design Requirements

Can Cost Be Kept Below $125 USD?

Follows all FCC Rules and Regulations as components are already thoroughly tested according to the FCC’s standards for Electronic Devices.

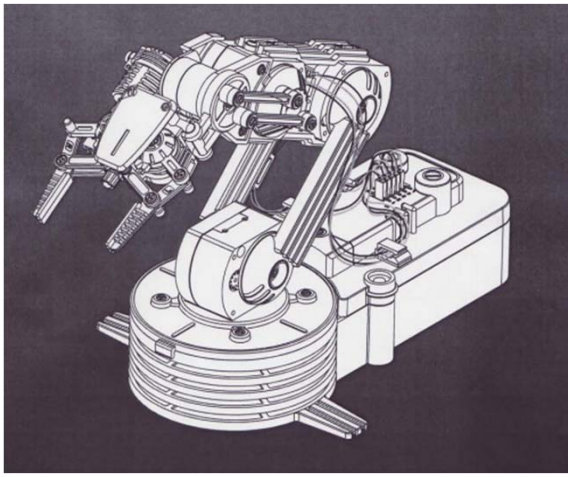
WARNING:
CHOKING HAZARD
Small parts. Not for children under 3 yrs.

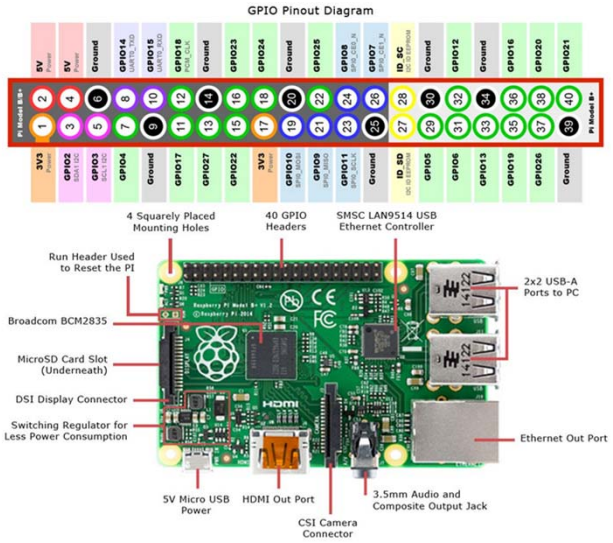
Current Status of Art

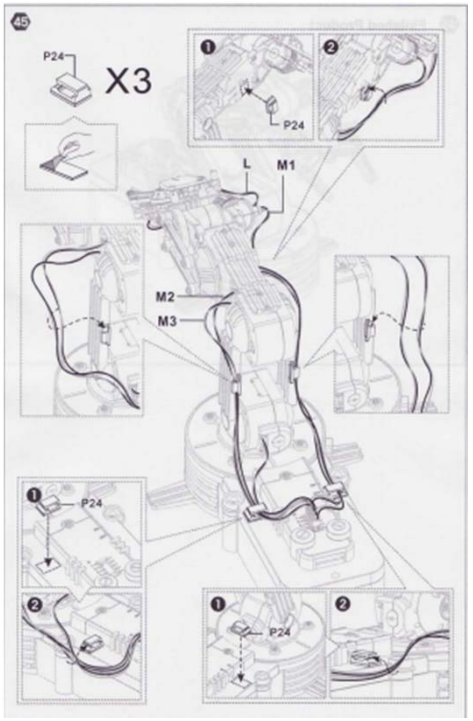
A paper based on this project was presented at the International Conference on Computer Vision and Robotics 2012 held at Bhubaneswar, India.

There is no machine learning component in this device. It uses a brute force algorithm to compete.

Solution Design





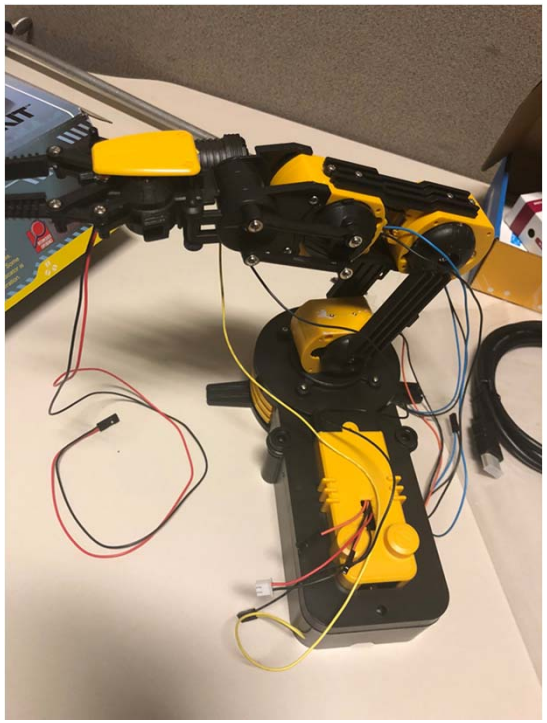


Implementation Process

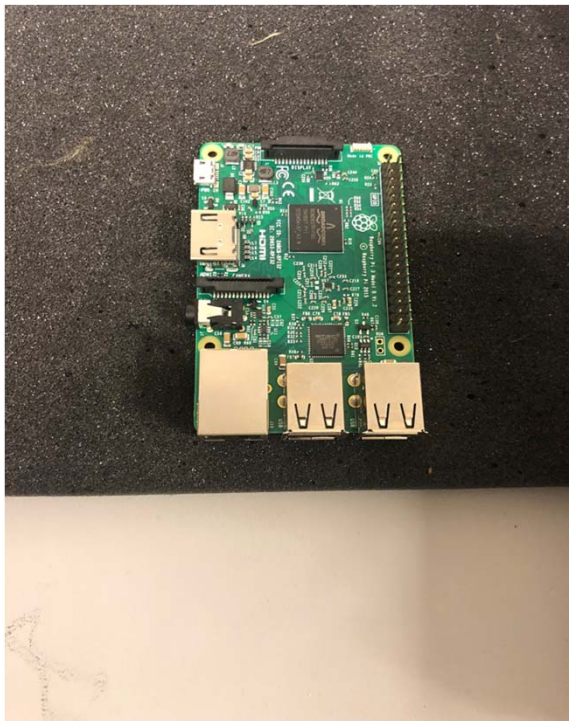
Major Steps

- Assemble Arm and Controller/Raspberry Pie and Mount Camera
- Develop MiniMax algorithm to use recursive machine learning to defeat the human opponent
- Use OpenCV to feed in real-time data to algorithm to determine where the board is and where pieces are located. (Pieces are required to be in frame)
- Modify MiniMax Algorithm to use the Arm and OpenCV events instead of console for game output

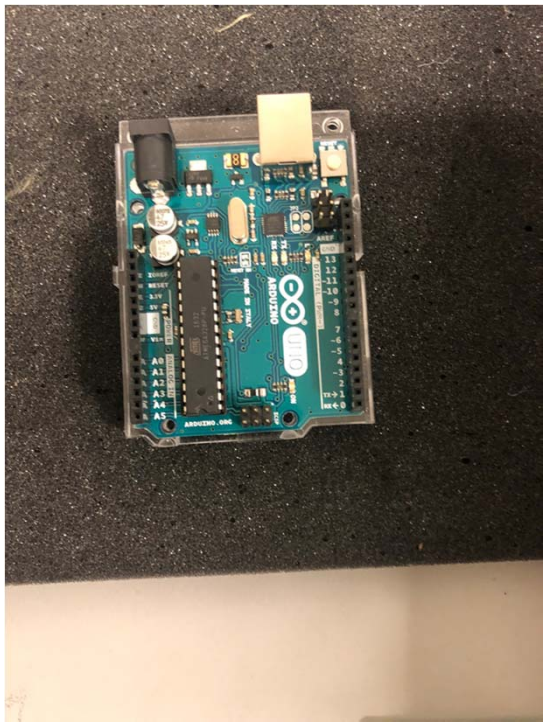
Arm Assembly



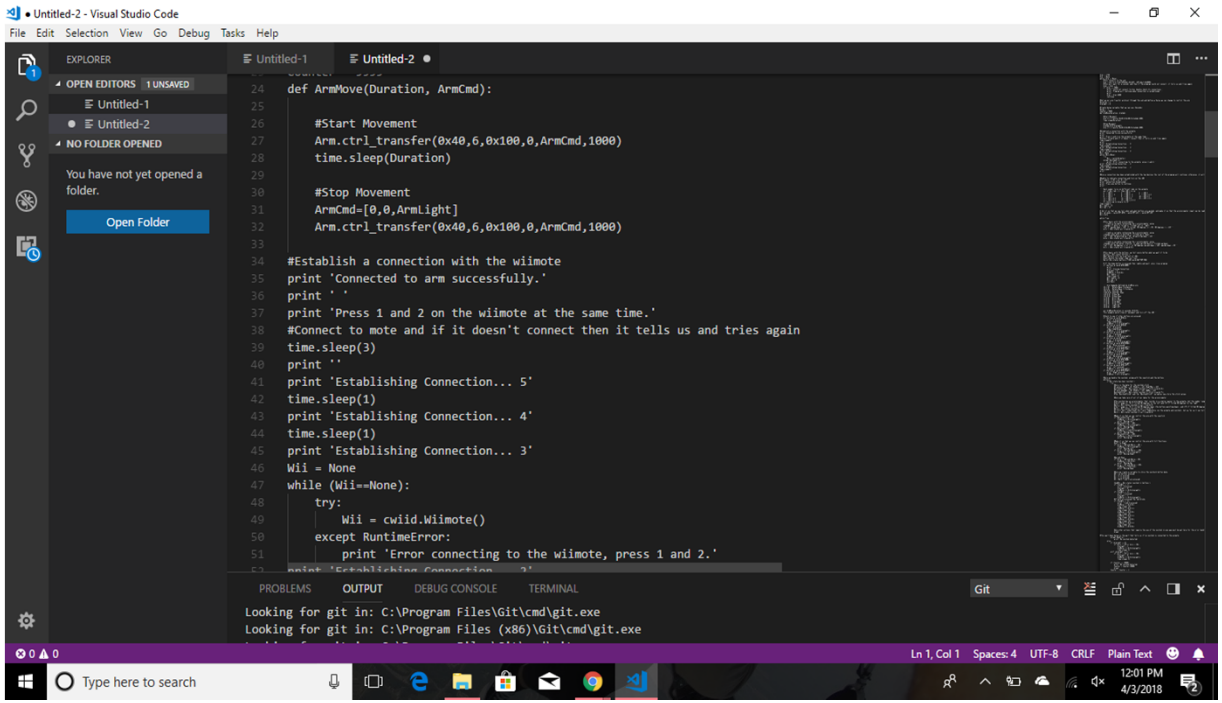
Raspberry Pi



Arduino Uno



Arm Movement



MiniMax Algorithm

game.cpp

```
#include <iostream>
#include <sstream>
#include <iomanip>
#include "game.h"

using namespace std;

Game::Game() {
                for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
                                for(int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {

                board[i][j] = '-';
                                }
                }
}

void Game::printBoard() {
                cout << "-------------------";
                for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
                                cout << '\n' << "|";
                                for(int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {

                cout << setw(3) << board[i][j] << setw(3) << " |";
                                }
                }
                cout << '\n' << "-------------------" << '\n';
}

bool Game::gameOver() {
                if(checkWin(HUMAN)) return true;
                else if(checkWin(AI)) return true;

                bool emptySpace = false;
                for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
                                if(board[i][0] == '-' ||
board[i][1] == '-' || board[i][2] == '-
')
                                emptySpace = true;
                }
                return !emptySpace;
}

bool Game::checkWin(Player player) {
                char playerChar;
                if(player == HUMAN) playerChar = human;
                else playerChar = ai;

                for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
                                // Check horizontals
                                if(board[i][0] == playerChar &&
board[i][1] == playerChar
                                                &&
board[i][2] == playerChar)
                                                return
true;
                                // Check verticals
                                if(board[0][i] == playerChar &&
board[1][i] == playerChar
                                                &&
board[2][i] == playerChar)
                                                return
true;
                }

                // Check diagonals
                if (board[0][0] == playerChar && board[1][1] == playerChar
                                && board[2][2] == playerChar) {
                                return true;
                } else if (board[0][2] == playerChar && board[1][1] ==
playerChar
                                && board[2][0] == playerChar) {
                                return true;
                }

                return false;
}

int Game::score() {
                if(checkWin(HUMAN)) { return 10; }
                else if(checkWin(AI)) { return -10; }
                return 0; // draw
}

Move Game::minimax(char AIboard[3][3]) {
                int bestMoveScore = 100; // -100 is arbitrary
                Move bestMove;

                for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
                                for(int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {
                if(AIboard[i][j] == '-') {
                                AIboard[i][j] = ai;
                                int tempMoveScore =
maxSearch(AIboard);
                                if(tempMoveScore <=
bestMoveScore) {

                bestMoveScore = tempMoveScore;

                bestMove.x = i;

                bestMove.y = j;
                                }
                                AIboard[i][j] = '-';
                }
                                }
                }
                return bestMove;
}
```

MiniMax Algorithm

Game.cpp - cont

```
int Game::maxSearch(char AIboard[3][3]) {
    if(gameOver()) return score();
    Move bestMove;

    int bestMoveScore = -1000;
    for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        for(int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {

    if(AIboard[i][j] == '-') {

        AIboard[i][j] = human;

        int tempMoveScore =
minSearch(AIboard);

        if(tempMoveScore >=
bestMoveScore) {


    bestMoveScore = tempMoveScore;


    bestMove.x = i;


    bestMove.y = j;

        }

        AIboard[i][j] = '-';

    }
        }
    }

    return bestMoveScore;
}

int Game::minSearch(char AIboard[3][3]) {
    if(gameOver()) return score();
    Move bestMove;

    int bestMoveScore = 1000;
    for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        for(int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {
    if(AIboard[i][j] == '-') {

    AIboard[i][j] = ai;

    int tempMove = maxSearch(AIboard);

    if(tempMove <= bestMoveScore) {

        bestMoveScore = tempMove;

        bestMove.x = i;

        bestMove.y = j;

    }

    AIboard[i][j] = '-';
        }
    }

    return bestMoveScore;
}

void Game::getHumanMove() {
    int x, y = -1; // arbitrary assignment to init loop
    while(x < 0 || x > 2 || y < 0 || y > 2) {
        // Loop until a valid move is entered
        cout << "Enter your move in
coordinate form, ex: (1,3)." << endl;

        cout << "Your Move: ";
        char c;
        string restofline;
        cin >> c >> c;
        x = c - '0' - 1;
        cin >> c >> c;
        y = c - '0' - 1;
        getline(cin, restofline); // get
garbage chars after move
    }
    board[x][y] = human;
}

void Game::play() {

    int turn = 0;
    printBoard();
    while(!checkWin(HUMAN) && !checkWin(AI) &&
!gameOver()) {
        // human move
        if(turn % 2 == 0) {

    getHumanMove();

    if(checkWin(HUMAN)) cout << "Human Player
Wins" << endl;

    turn++;

    printBoard();
        } else {

    cout << endl << "Computer Player Move:" <<
endl;

    Move AImove = minimax(board);

    board[AImove.x][AImove.y] = ai;

    if(checkWin(AI)) cout << "Computer Player Wins"
<< endl;

    turn++;

    printBoard();
        }
    }
}
```

MiniMax Algorithm

game.h

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

const char human = 'X';
const char ai = 'O';

enum Player { HUMAN, AI };

struct Move {
                int x;
                int y;
};

class Game {
                char board[3][3];
public:
                Game();

                void printBoard();
                // Prints the board pretty-ly

                bool gameOver();
                // Returns true if a winner has been found or there are no empty spaces

                bool checkWin(Player player);
                // Checks for a win

                void play();
                // Primary game driver, loops through turn-by-turn until there's
                // a winner or full game board (draw)

                void getHumanMove();
                // Takes in values from the input stream and places them on the board
                // if valid.  Expects input in coordinate notation, ex (1,3)

                int score();
                // Function to score game board states based on their outcome
                // Returns 10 for human win, -10 for AI win, 0 for draw

                Move minimax(char AIboard[3][3]);
                // Returns the best AI move's x, y coords via the minimax algorithm

                int minSearch(char AIboard[3][3]);
                // minimax helper fn for finding the next move for AI player, chooses the
                // move with the least possible score

                int maxSearch(char AIboard[3][3]);
                // minimax helper fn for finding the next move for human player, chooses
                // the move with the least possible score
};
```

MiniMax Algorithm

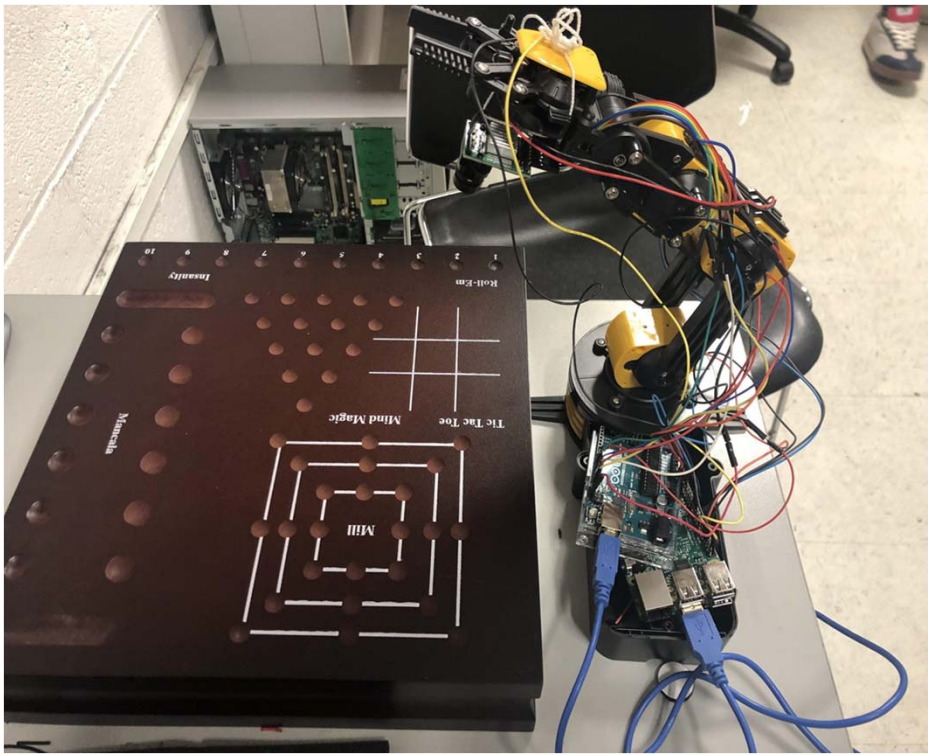
play.cpp

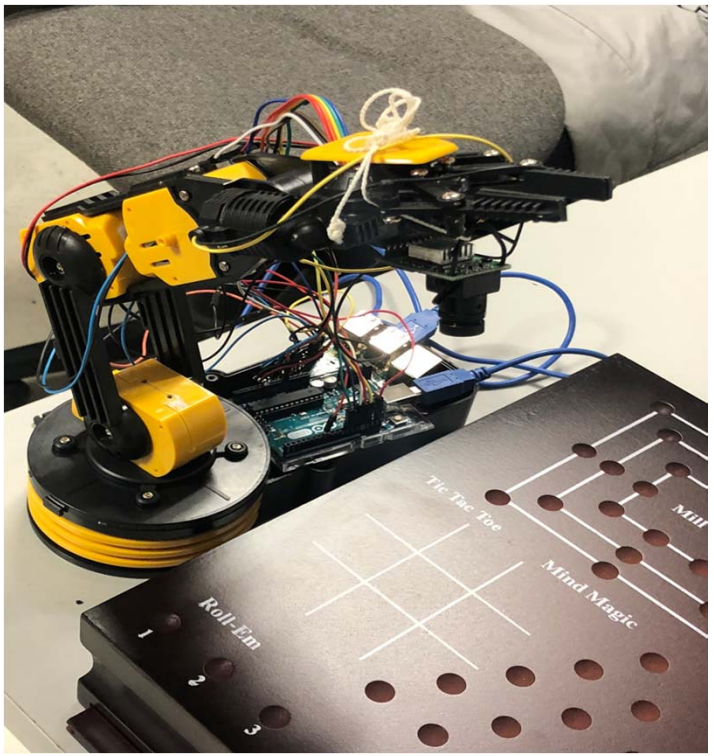
```cpp
#include <iostream>
#include "game.h"

using namespace std;

int main() {
		Game tictactoe;
		tictactoe.play();
		return 0;
}
```

Implementation





Conclusion

We have had the pleasure to see through the project in 8 months period of time.

First of all, it helped us in managing a project and sharing the load of work.
Secondly, it showed that simple but well adapted algorithms are often more efficient than more general and complex ones.
Lastly, it gave us the opportunity to work at the interface between three related disciplines: Artificial Intelligence, Vision and Robotics, which lead to very interesting issues when studied together.

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