

Forget Me Not

Personal item tracker

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Background

- Many people struggle with keeping track of personal items such as their phone, keys or wallet
- While many existing products such as Tile provide ways of tracking personal items, none of them alert users when they forget the item in question
- This design is meant to provide an extra level of protection against losing important items by alerting users when they leave without them
- Ideally this means a user will never leave home without their wallet again

Methods and Materials

- This design includes several "tag" devices that can be attached to objects as well as a "brain" that controls them.
- C++ code was created and programmed via Arduino IDE
- Bluetooth Low Energy used as wireless communication medium

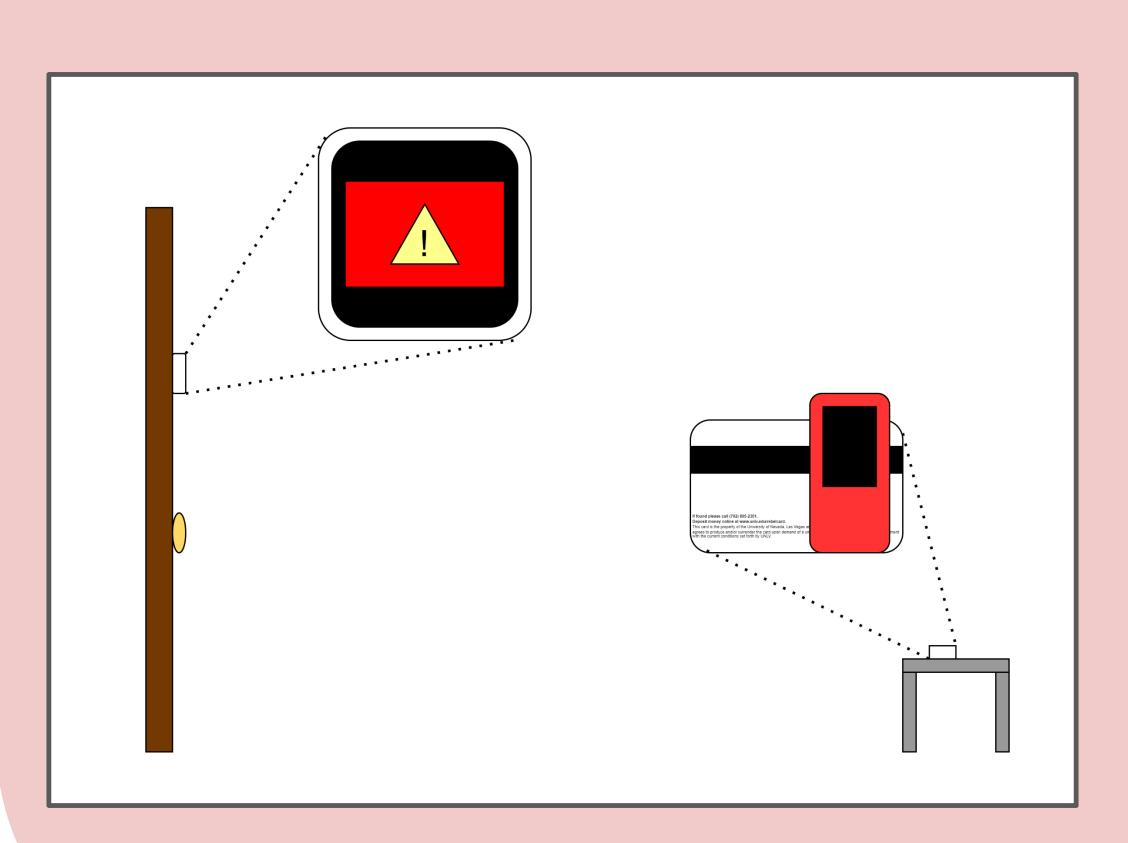
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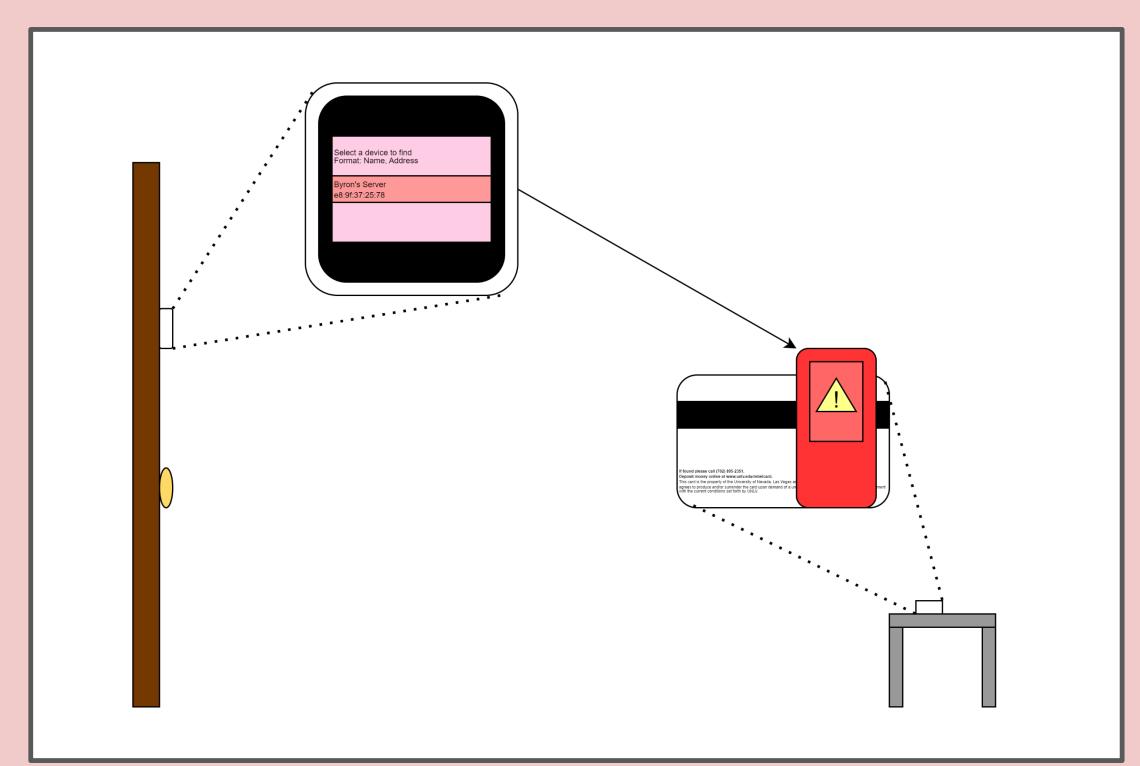
- (3) M5Sitck C-Plus
- (1) M5Stack Core2

Function

If the user tries to leave the house without all of their tracked items, the controller provides an audio and visual alert

Likewise, the user can find any lost item by using the controller to issue an audio and visual alert to that tracker





Implementation

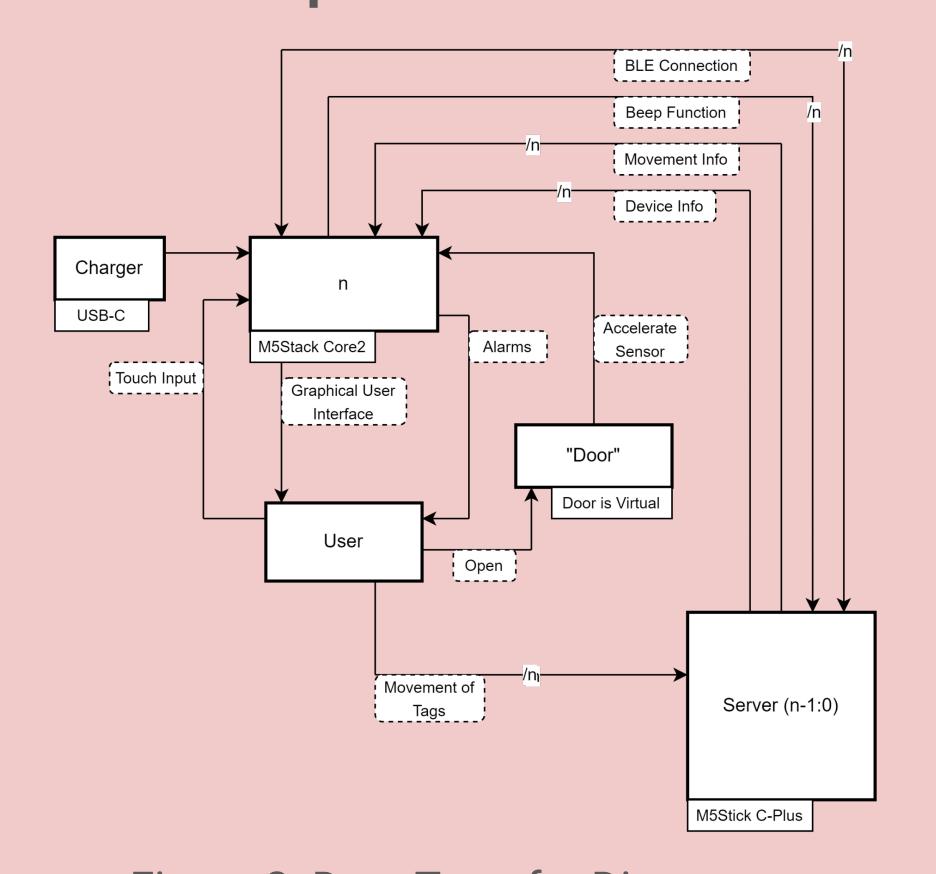
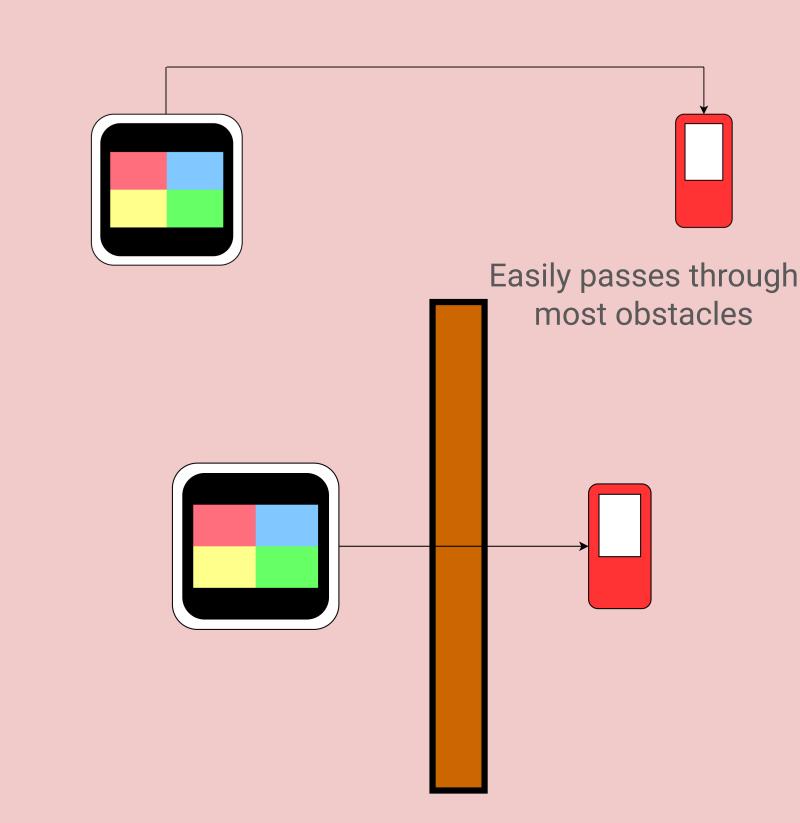


Figure 2: Data Transfer Diagram

Capabilities

Operation Distance of over 26 meters



Possible Improvements

- The design works well, but the trackers are too small to use with smaller items such as keys
- Wifi support and compatibility with other IOT devices would allow for better organization
- The devices must be individually charged via USB-C port. A central device that can charge everything at the same time would be beneficial

Conclusion

- With some polish, this product could compete with tile and other commercial tracking devices by filling an unexplored niche in the market
- This device fits in well with an IOT home, and could potentially be controlled with an existing IOT interface
- This device boasts superior security
 features compared to other trackers

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