

Research and Documentation

Technology	Description	Benefits	Drawbacks
NFC	Near Field Communication	N/A	N/A
Low Frequency RFID (LF RFID)	30kHz - 300Khz Range: 0-10cm	N/A	N/A
High Frequency RFID (HF RFID)	3MHz - 30MHZ Range: 0.1-1m	N/A	N/A
Ultra High Frequency RFID (UHF RFID)	300MHz - 3GHz Range: 0-12m	Up to 12m (~39ft) of range.	
Passive RFID	Read only chip with no internal battery storage	Small, cheap, common	Limited by range and tag back-splatter (\$14-\$500 for readers)
Active RFID	Read and Write chip with internal battery	Increases range up to 100m	Size and cost
Semi-passive RFID (BAP RFID)	Internal battery assists the send back reliability of the data	Limits passive tag back-splatter, on the cheaper side	New technology
Antennas	<i>Circular Polarization Transmits across a variety of planes (wider variety of tag orientations)</i>	<i>Linear Polarization Transmits in only 1 plane (longer range)</i>	

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Feasibility Study and Research:

- Initial research was difficult since applications that detect RFID distance aren't common.
- Arduinos proved to be the greatest value. It was not the cheapest option, but it was the option with the most support to develop the project.

Project Planning:

- Determined the minimum requirement for this prototype was to read an RFID chip and switch between different chips.
- We will crudely display the distance away from the tag at first.

Design:

- The design is simple. One user will read one tag at a time and will only interact with the device to switch it on or off.

Implementation:

- Reading an RFID Tag and showing console feedback was fairly straightforward.