

# *Box Breaker* Game Project

EE319H Introduction to Embedded System Honors

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# Executive Summary

- The game *Box Breaker* is played on a TI microcontroller interfaced with input and output hardware
- The software implementation is done on Keil 5 IDE that includes sprite design, level design, and main file programming

The game is the final project of Introduction to Embedded System Honors (EE319H) that must fulfill the minimum requirements

Hardware Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two buttons</li><li>• Slide potentiometer with ADC</li><li>• Speaker with DAC</li><li>• Liquid crystal display (LCD)</li></ul>
Software Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two interrupt service routines (ISR)</li><li>• Three sprites</li><li>• Score display</li><li>• Two languages</li></ul>

*Box Breaker* is like *Brick Breaker*, but instead of the ball hitting the brick, the cookie is hitting the box

- English or Spanish
- 3 levels
- 4 lives
- Each box can take 4 hit
- Pink Box contains a powerup

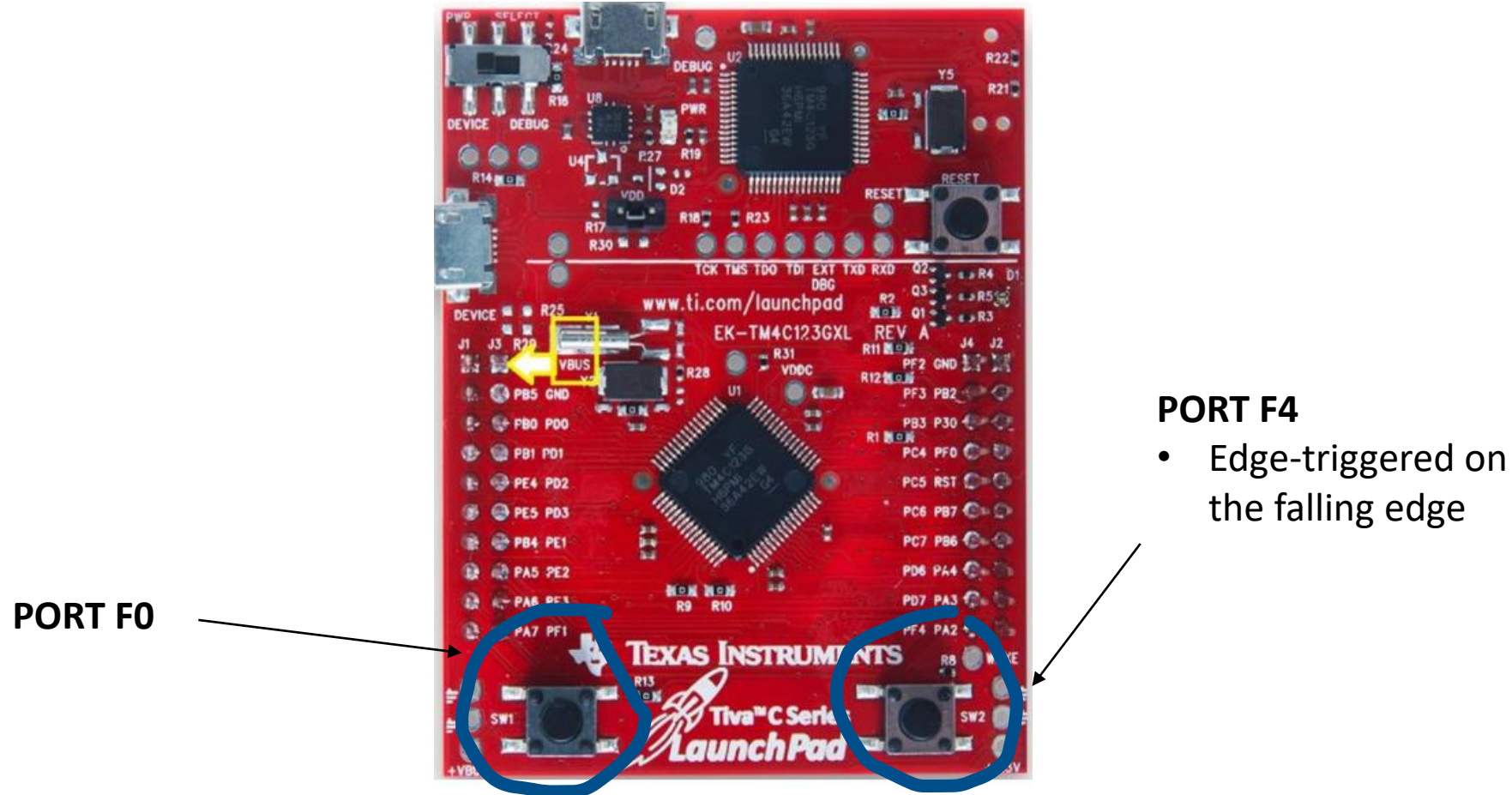


# TM4C123GXL Microcontroller is the brain of hardware design

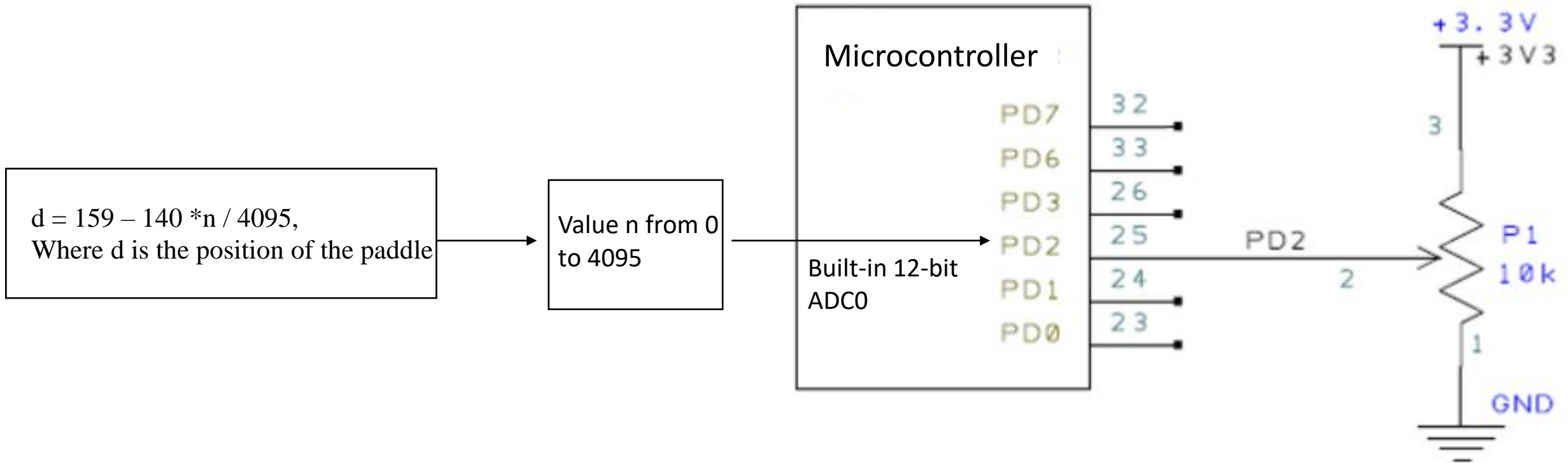
- All Hardware components are connected to the board
- The board receives the data from input hardware
- The software then process that data
- Finally, the data is sent to the output hardware



# Two built-in buttons are used to change language and use power-up



# The slide potentiometer is an adjustable 10kΩ resistor that controls the paddle position

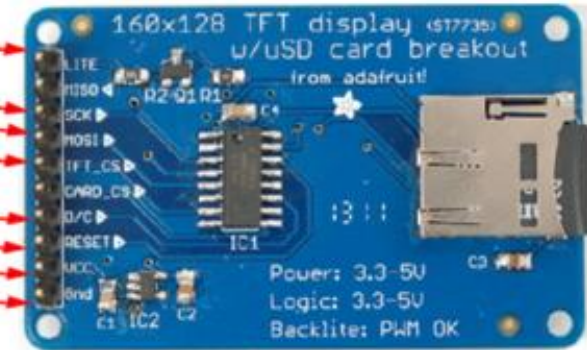


# Two output devices are interfaced with the microcontroller, an LCD and a speaker

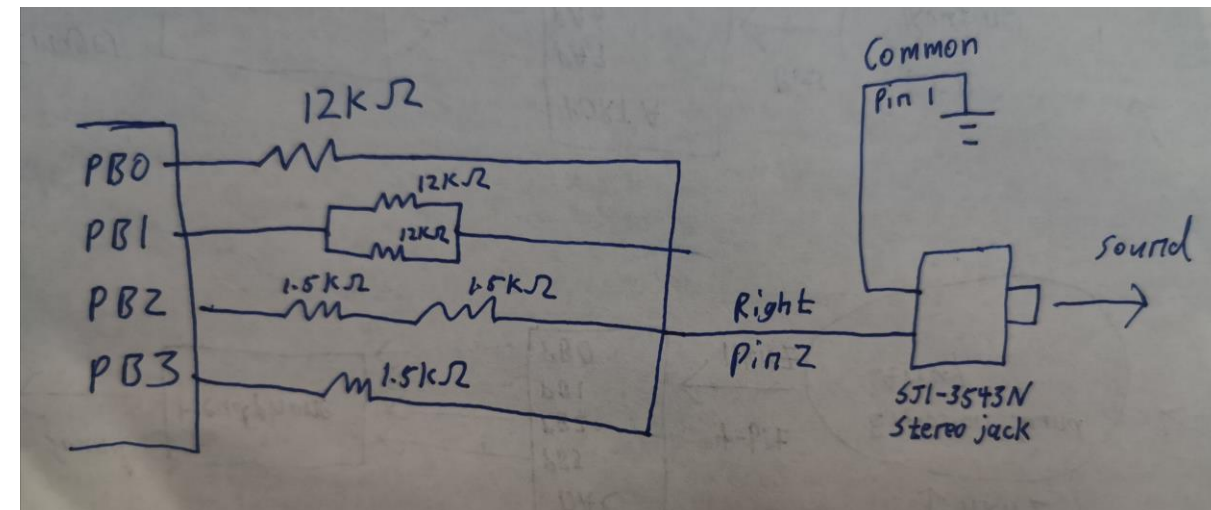
The 128x160 ST7745 LCD is used to display the game

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// pin 10 Backlight  +3.3 V
// pin 9  MISO        unconnected
// pin 8  SCK          PA2 (SSI0Clk)
// pin 7  MOSI         PA5 (SSI0Tx)
// pin 6  TFT_CS       PA3 (SSI0Fss)
// pin 5  CARD_CS      unconnected
// pin 4  D/C          PA6 (GPIO)
// pin 3  RESET        PA7 (GPIO)
// pin 2  VCC          +3.3 V
// pin 1  Gnd          ground
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Program 7.1. Interface connections for the Sitronix ST7735.

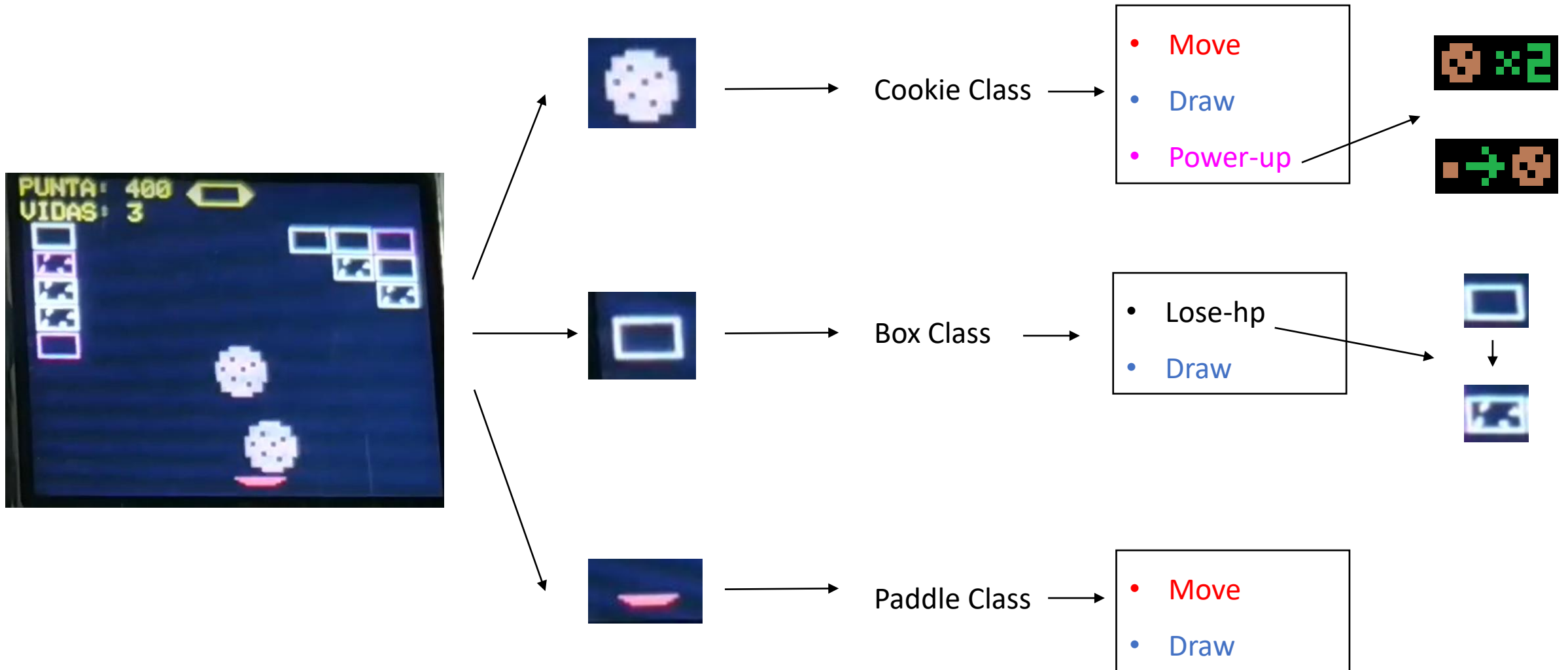


The 4-bit binary-weighted DAC converts PB0-3 value to current for the speaker to play sound





# C++ Classes are written to code each sprite



# One function is written for each level to initialize a unique layout of boxes

- Each Level can have a maximum of 5 rows and 9 columns of boxes
- Box[5][9] 2D array is declared to represent each box sprite
- The `if` statement check is used to initialize certain Box Objects
- Uninitialized Box Objects will not become sprites

for (every row)

for (every col)

if (...)

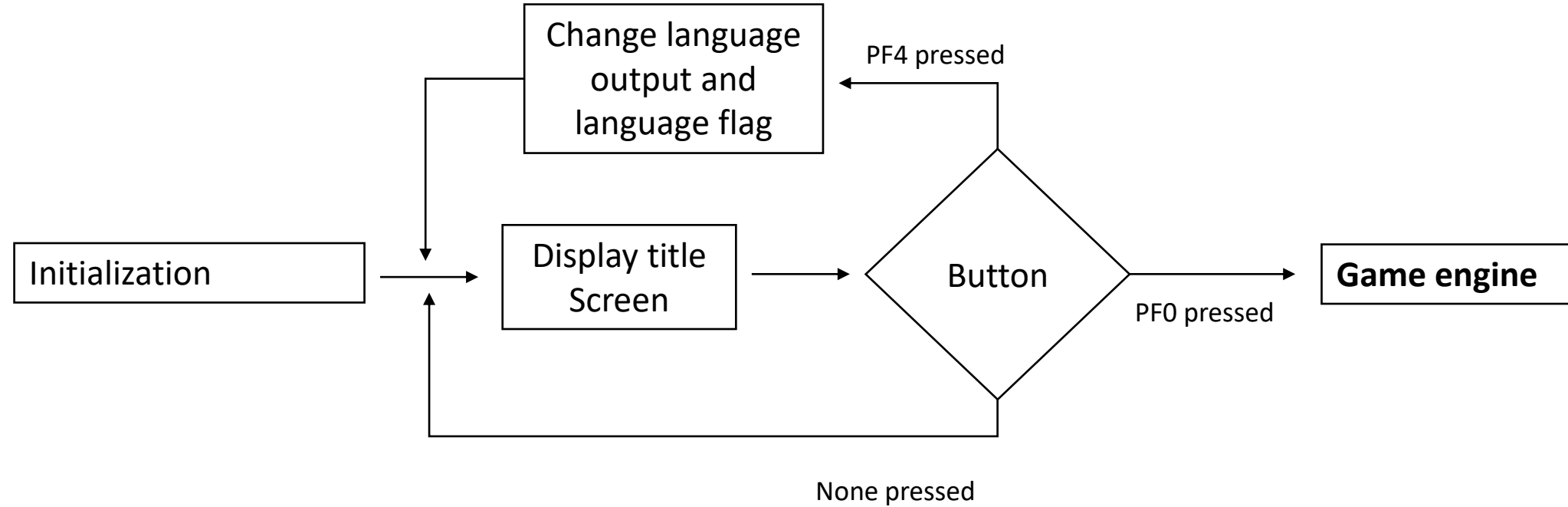
initialize Box[row][col]



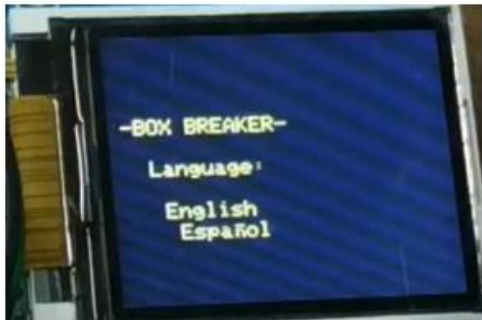
# The design of each level



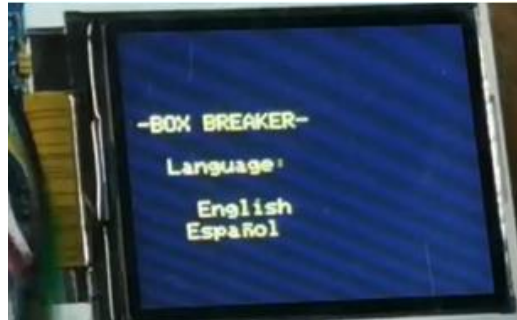
# The game begins by prompting user to select a language



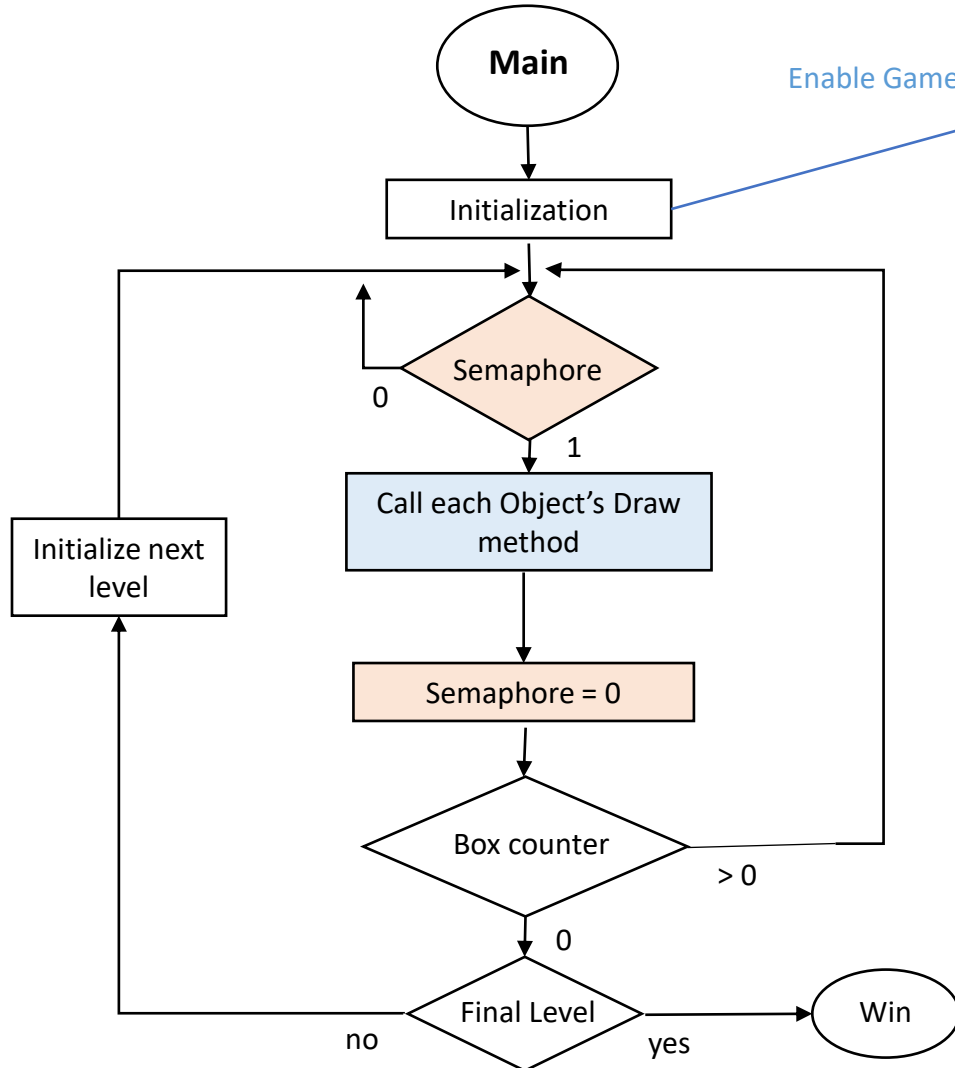
English is selected



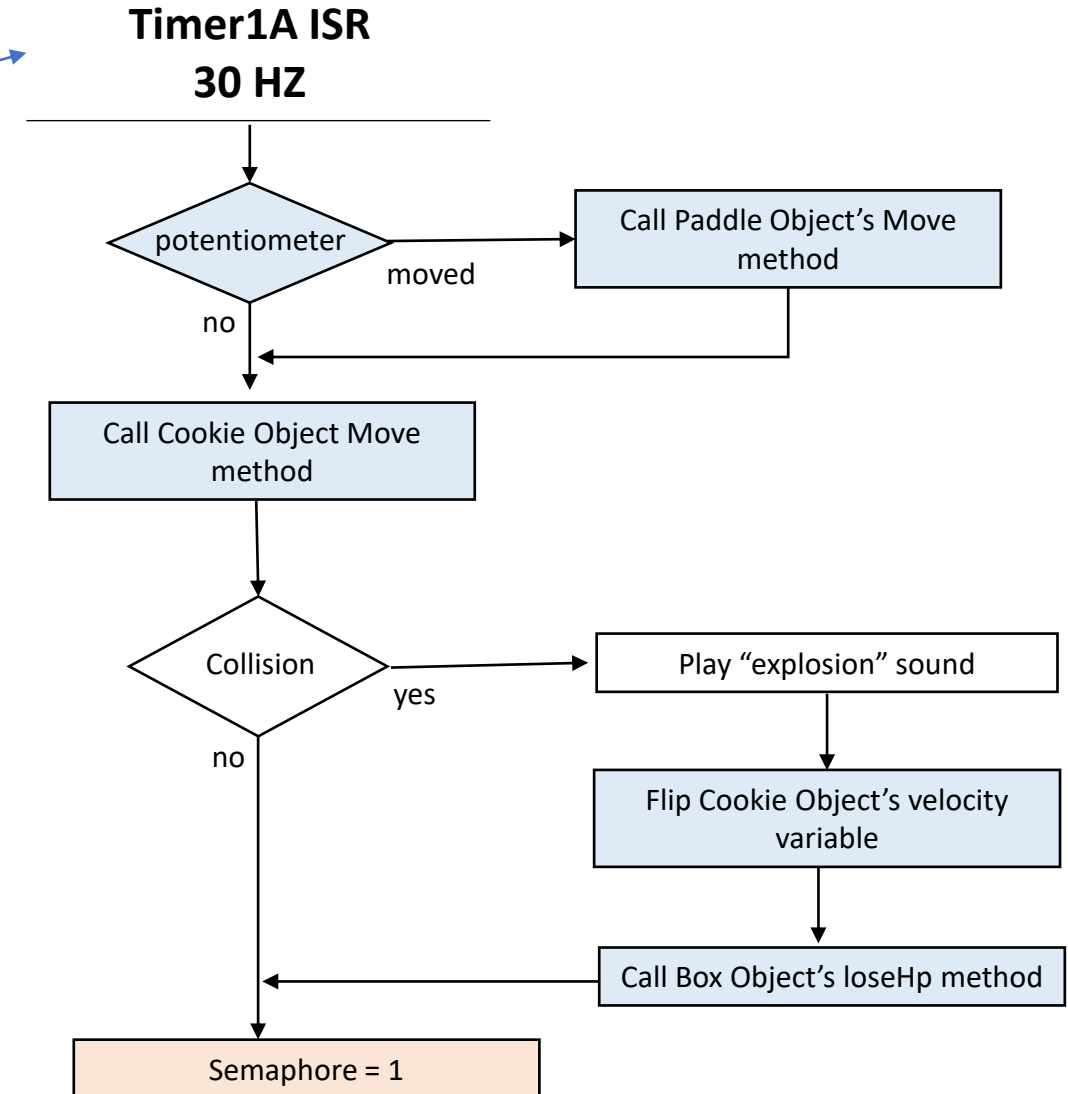
Spanish is selected



# Game Engine updates each sprite's movement, collision, and display every cycle



Enable Game Engine



# Conclusion

- I briefly explained the hardware interface with the microcontroller and software design
- More levels and power-ups could be designed to make the game more interesting
- A difficulty system could also be implemented