



Wheelchair Dynamometer

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Project Summary

Description & Requirements

- Dyno must use an electrical device to vary mechanical resistance of the rollers and record speed & torque
- Display information (calories, speed, etc..) to the user via a GUI and set difficulty level
- Save & export data of the recorded workout session for performance tracking
- Must function with any browser-supported device such as a smartphone or tablet



Preliminary Products

Invictus Active Trainer (\$1300)

Pros:

- Measure distance, caloric expenditure, heart rate, and speed
- Portable workout machine

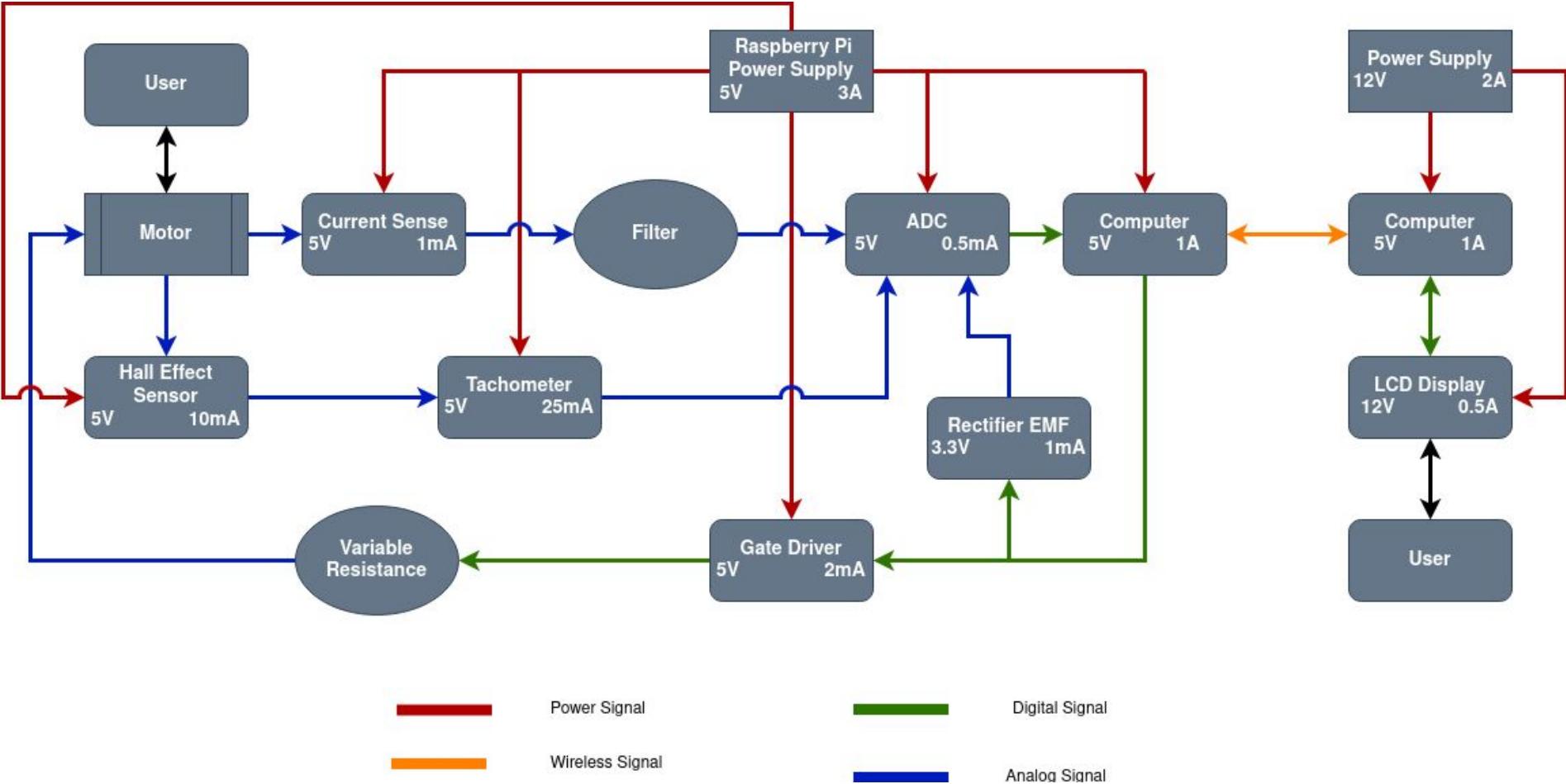
Cons:

- Must own smartphone device
- One resistance setting
- High friction between wheels and rollers
- No torque or power information



<https://www.invictusactive.com/product/invictus-active-trainer/>

Block Diagram



Dyno Power (Elec./Mech.)

Electrical Calculations

----- Max. Expected Voltage -----

$$K_t = 0.1085 \text{ Nm/A}, K_e = 0.1090 \text{ V/rad/s}, R = 2\Omega$$

----- Max. Expected Voltage -----

18MPH record [1]. Assume 20MPH \rightarrow 1609RPM

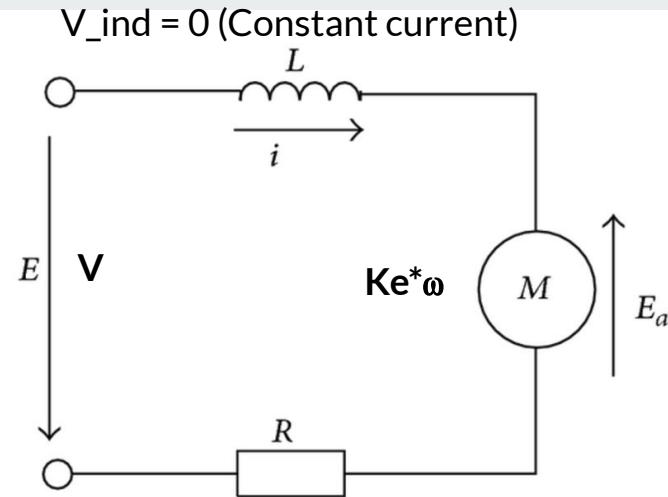
$$\omega^* \tau = P = 186 \text{ W} [2] (\text{M.E. team}) \rightarrow \tau = 1.1 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\tau = K_t^* I$$

$$V = I^* R + K_e^* \omega \rightarrow V = 38.6 \text{ V} \approx 40 \text{ V}$$

----- Max. Expected Current -----

$$\text{Max. Force} = 6.25 \text{ lb} [3] (\text{M.E. team}) \rightarrow \tau = 1.5 \text{ Nm} \rightarrow I \approx 15 \text{ A}$$



https://www.researchgate.net/publication/288918031_Energy_Conservation_Analysis_and_Control_of_Hybrid_Active_Semiautomatic_Suspension_with_Three_Regulating_Damping_Levels

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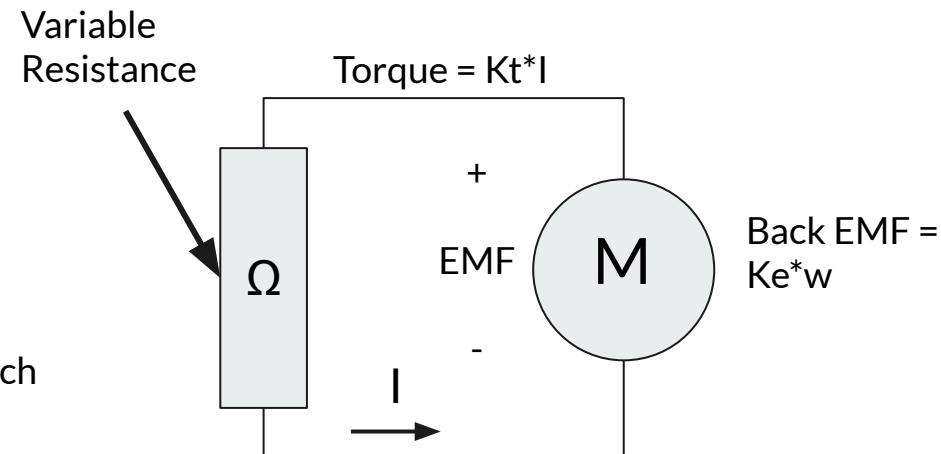
[2] Walker R, Powers S, Stuart MK. Peak oxygen uptake in arm ergometry: effects of testing protocol. *Br J Sports Med.* 1986;20(1):25–26.
doi:10.1136/bjsm.20.1.25

[3] Koontz, Alicia M., et al. "A kinetic analysis of manual wheelchair propulsion during start-up on select indoor and outdoor surfaces." (2005).

Design Choices

Variable Resistance

- Potentiometer & step motors
 - Requires separate motors to vary resistance
 - Subject to mechanical wear
 - Expensive
- BJT
 - Most ideal as an amplifier
 - Current controlled
 - High resistance → high power dissipation
- FET's ← **Solution Chosen!**
 - Inexpensive
 - JFET Ideal for low noise applications
 - MOSFET ideal for high noise applications such as switching
 - MOSFET effective for motor control applications
- Digital Potentiometer (Digipot)
 - Only available for high resistance values
 - Low-power applications only so high current not allowed

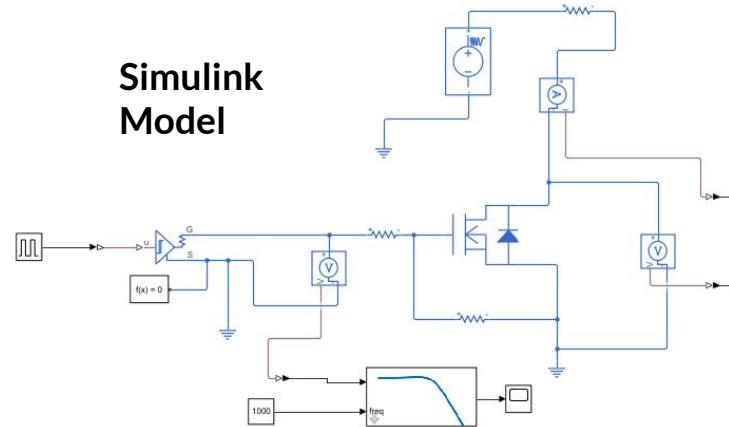


Variable Resistance Pt. 1

Selected Design: Power Mosfet

- Power Requirements
 - 1.5 Nm limit → max load current: 15A
 - 20 mph limit → max load voltage: 40V
- PWM Duty Cycle
 - Resistance settings determined by experimentation
 - Duty cycle simulation discrepancy caused by simplified motor model
- PWM Frequency
 - 25 kHz to prevent audible whine in human hearing range
 - Going higher → greater transition times → more power dissipation

Simulink Model

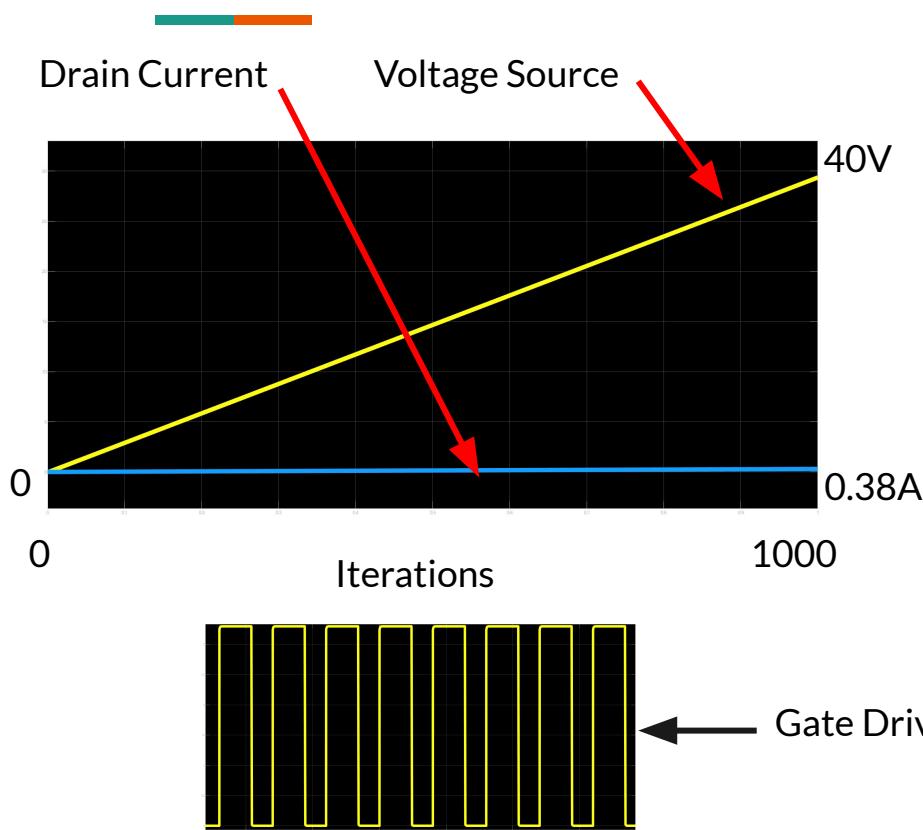


Simulation Results

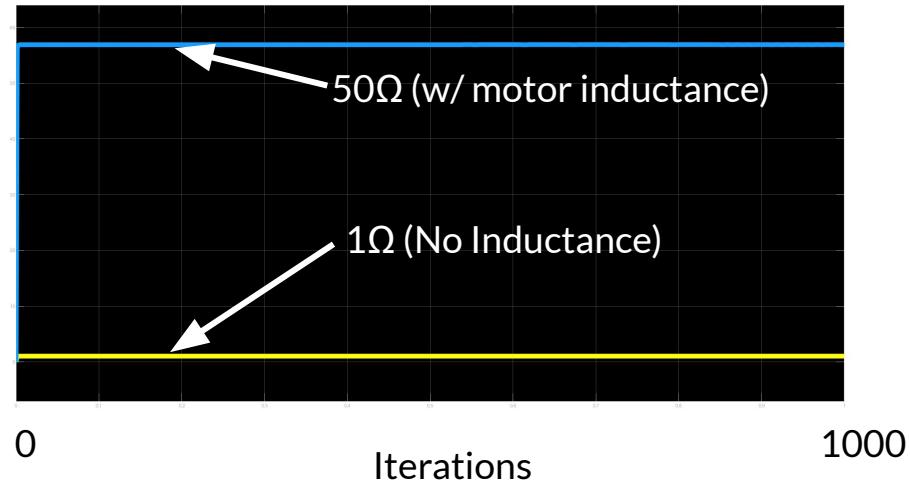
Shunt Resistance	Workout Difficulty	PWM Duty Cycle
1 Ω	Mountain Climbing	66%
100 Ω	Easy Stroll	4.5%

Variable Resistance Pt. 2

Simulation Results



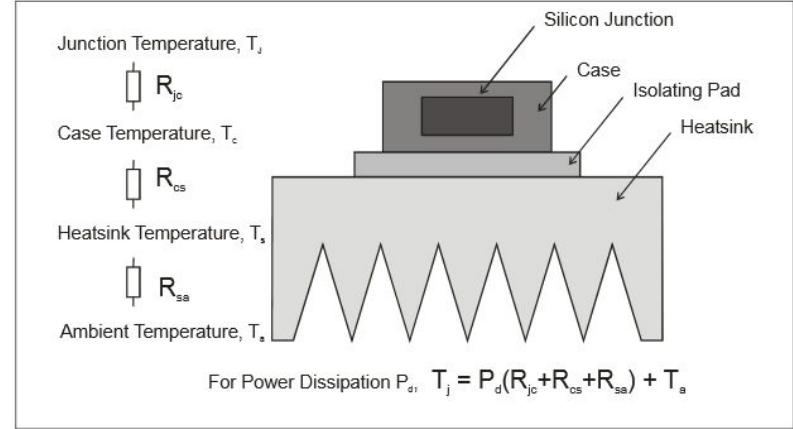
Importance of inductance in motor model



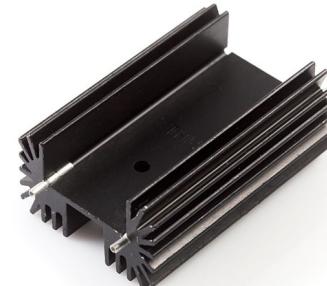
Variable Resistance Pt. 3

Power Mosfet

- Power Dissipation
 - Based on switching speeds, load power, and mosfet datasheet parameters
 - Calculated dissipation: 10W
 - Mosfet Temperature: $105^{\circ}\text{C} < 135^{\circ}\text{C}$ (75% max) ✓
- Gate Driver
 - Power Mosfet contains higher input capacitance than normal mosfets
 - Microcontrollers do not provide enough current to have fast transition times and low power dissipation
 - Gate drivers provides enough current to charge the input capacitor



<https://www.re-innovation.co.uk/docs/heatsink-calculations/>



<https://www.sparkfun.com/products/9576>

Variable Resistance Experiment

- Experiment to figure out what shunt resistances work well for the user and what is the related PWM cycle
- Relate shunt resistance seen by the motors to a workout difficulty level and PWM duty cycle
- Subjective testing via wheelchair on dyno to determine noticeable differences
- PWM duty cycle calculated by Simulink Simulations after figuring out shunt resistance

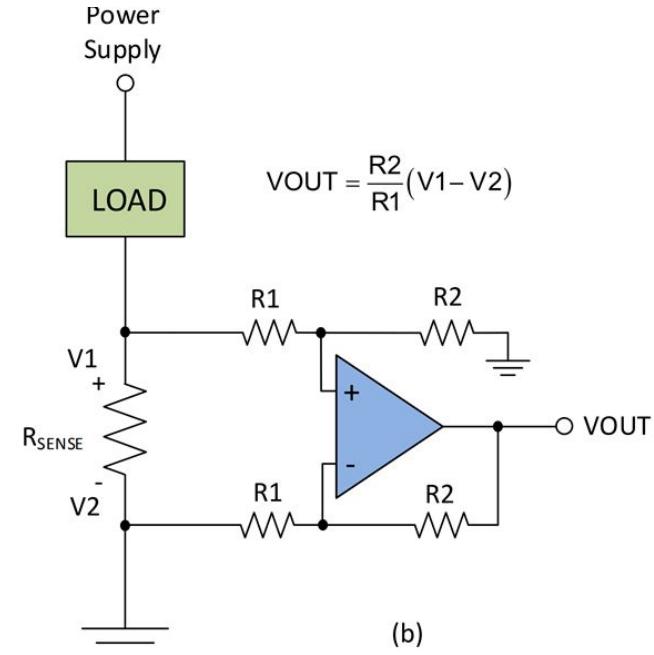
Simulation Results			
Difficulty Setting	Shunt Resistance	Workout Difficulty	PWM Duty Cycle
6	0 Ω	Hardest	100%
5	5 Ω	Hard	30%
4	25 Ω	Medium	7.5%
3	40 Ω	Normal	4.75%
2	100 Ω	Easy	2%
1	Inf. Ω	Easiest	0%

Design Choices

Torque Measurement Pt. 1

Torque = Motor Constant * Current

- Direct current sensing ← **Solution Chosen!**
 - Shunt resistor across motor terminals gives a small voltage that can be amplified
 - Typical when current < 100 A
 - Low cost
 - High & low side implementations
- Indirect current sensing
 - Coil around a conductor causes voltage to be induced, voltage proportional to the system current
 - Used for systems with currents >100 A
 - Requires high cost sensors



<http://www.ti.com/lit/an/sboa190/sboa190.pdf>

Design Choices

Torque Measurement Pt. 2

- Different implementations
 - Low-side ← **Solution Chosen!**
 - Lower cost & only requires a differential amplifier

- High-side
 - More expensive and short-circuit detection not important for our applications
 - Other additional features over low-side not required for dyno project

- Low-side implementation used in project with correct gain to map full range to 0-5V

High-Side

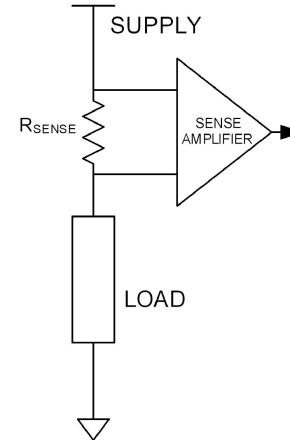


FIGURE 1A

Low-Side

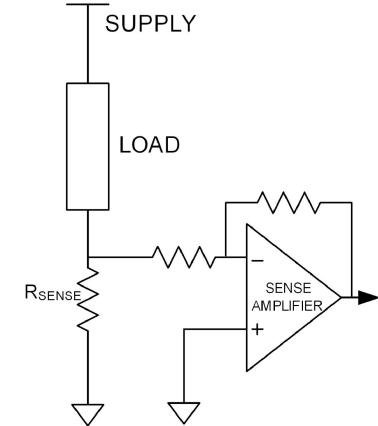


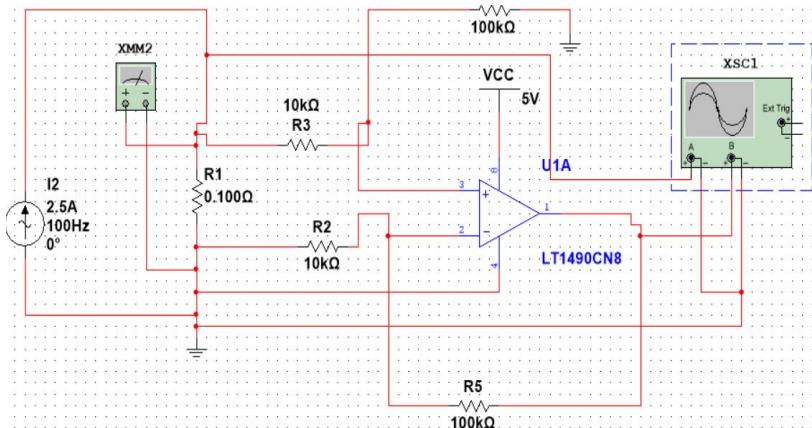
FIGURE 1B

Image Courtesy: Texas Instruments, Inc.

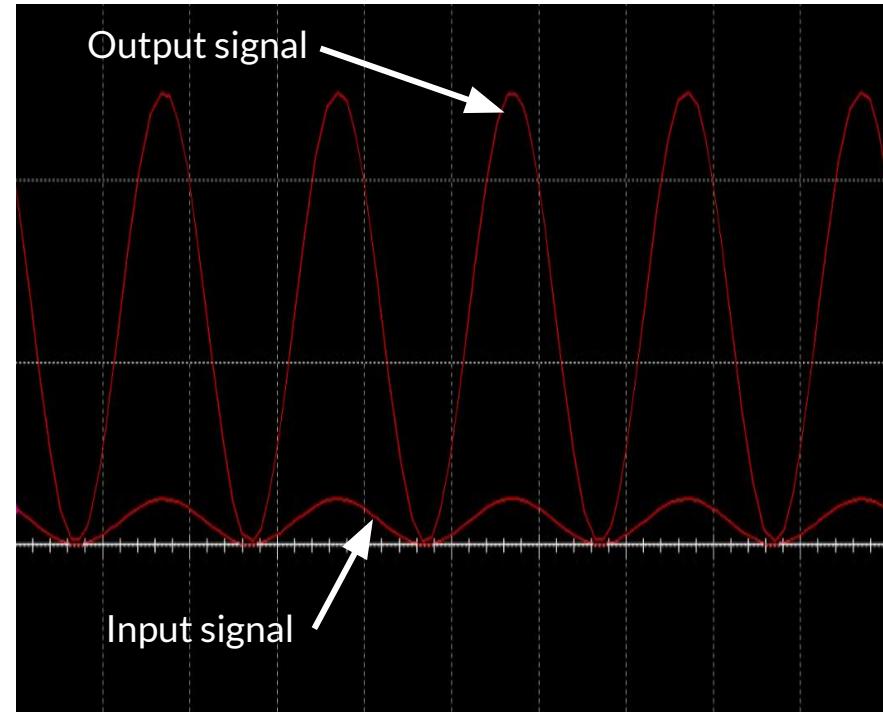
Torque Measurement

Current Sense Simulation

- Input voltage range: 0 V - 0.5 V
- Output voltage range: 0V - 5V
- Gain: 10 V/V



Low side differential implementation in multisim

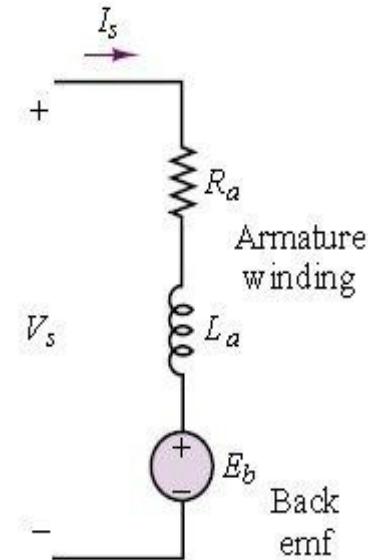


Oscilloscope simulation result

Previous Design Choice

Speed Measurement

- Hall Effect Sensors ← **Solution attempted**
 - Sensor detects a change in the magnetic field of a motor pole while rotating
 - Frequency of the signal contains the speed of the motor so a frequency to voltage mapper is necessary for the single-board computer to read
 - Issues with PWM switching noise leaking to Frequency/Voltage mapper thus giving unreliable data
- Back EMF ← **Solution Chosen!**
 - Estimate speed based on rectifier voltage, current, and change of current
 - Already tracking torque (current) so solution works in theory

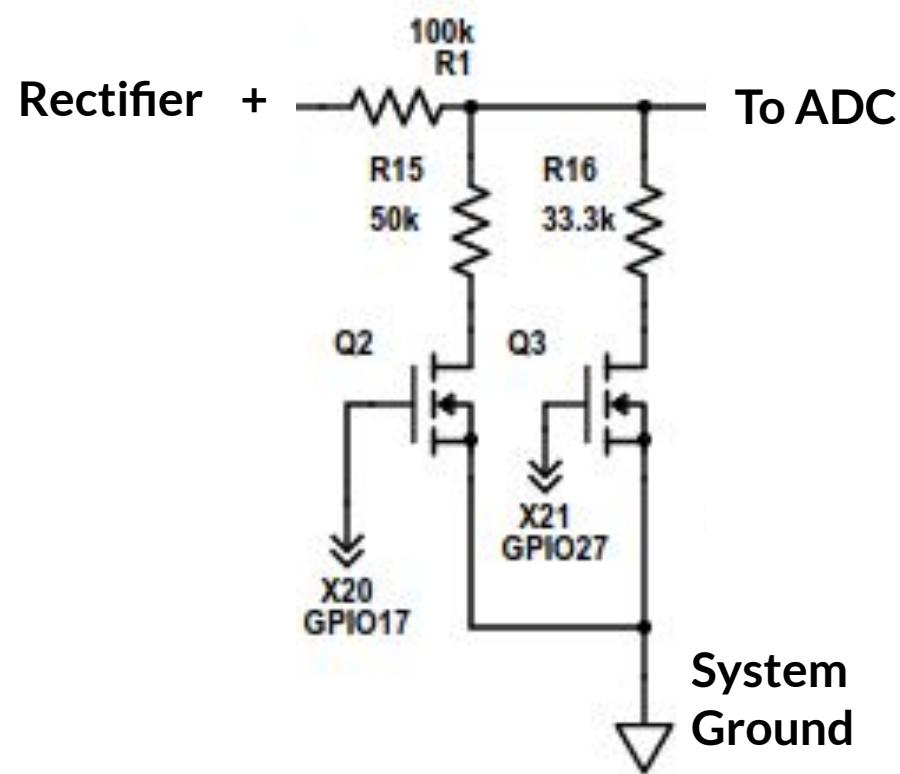


Circuit model for PM motor

Updated Design Choice

Rectifier EMF Method

- ADC can only handle 5V max without causing damage to the chip
- Multi-stage voltage divider can accommodate all workout levels and the expected rectifier voltages
- Design tested on Multisim and on a breadboard to ensure success
- Basic voltage divider configuration implemented on past PCB and results look good



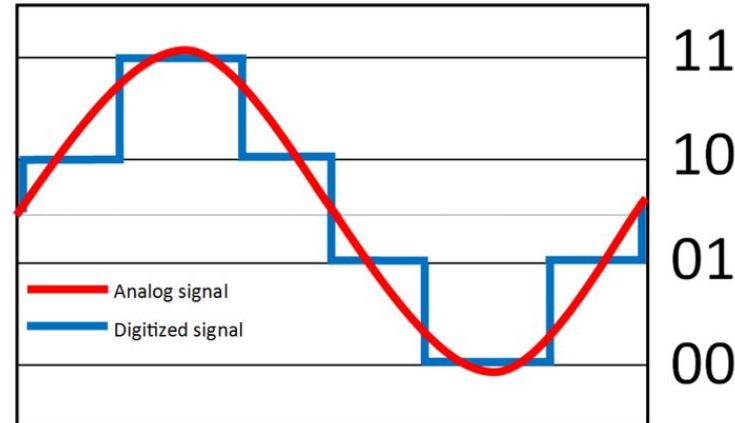
Single-Board Computer

Raspberry Pi & ADC

- Electronic Device
 - Single-board computer needed over microcontrollers since web server hosting is required
 - Requirements: Analog pins and wireless capabilities
 - Cheapest solution is to use a Raspberry Pi + ADC instead of an all-in-one solution
- Analog Digital Converter (ADC)
 - Required since Raspberry Pi has no built-in ADC
 - Sampling rate: Only a few samples needed per second
 - Resolution: 10-bit ends up cheaper than 8-bit ADC and 10-bit leads to noise level under 5% error



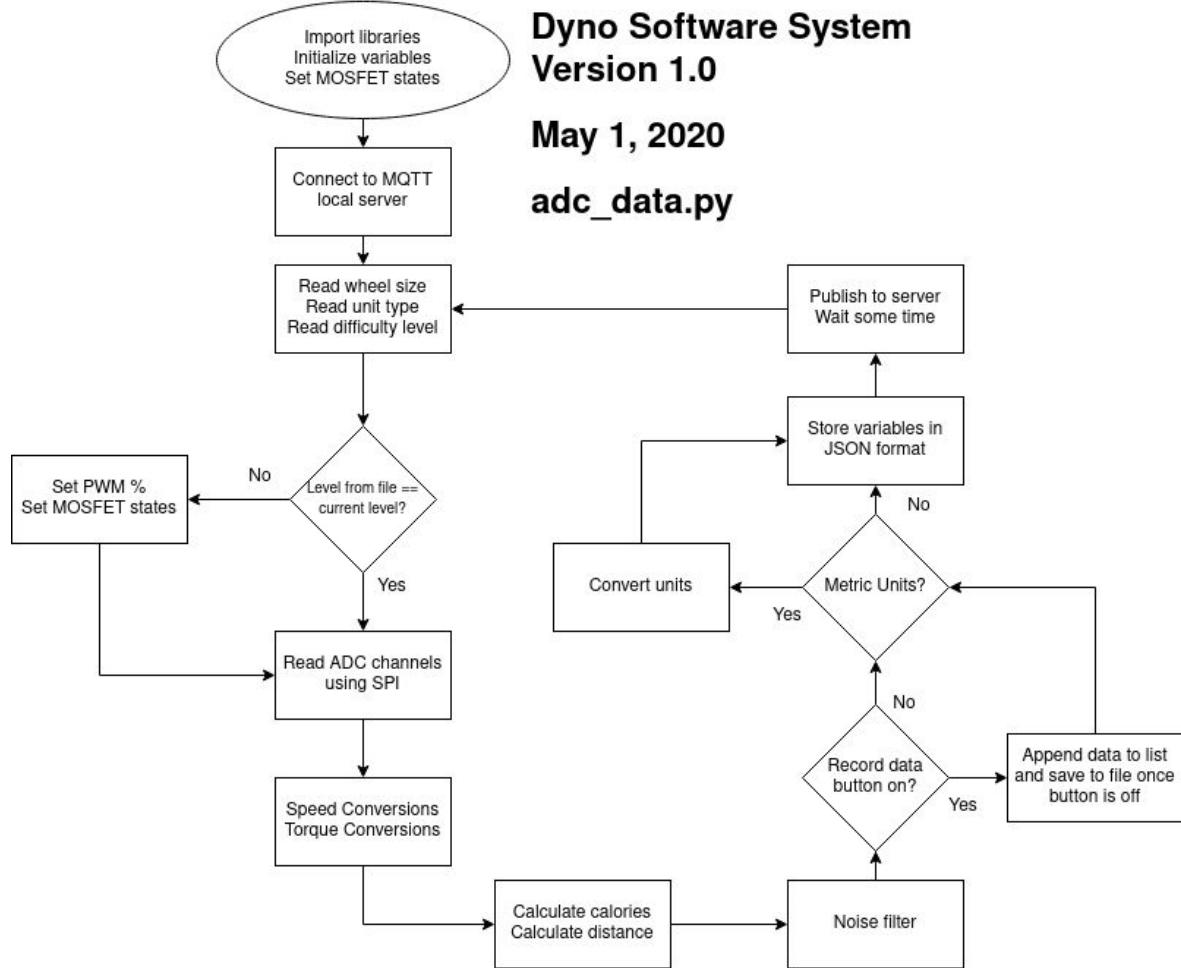
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Raspberry_Pi



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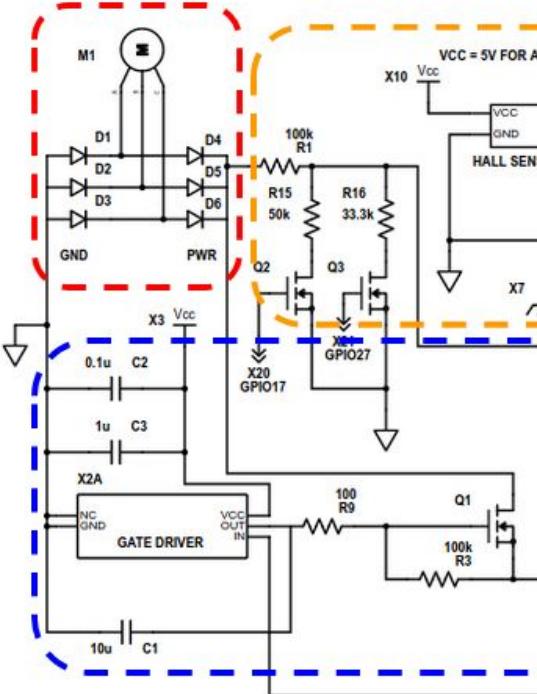
Software System

- Software flowchart for main code file responsible for processing inputs and setting workout levels
- Python file broken into chunks as shown to make it easier to understand overall picture
- Text files store unit type, difficulty level, and wheel size
- Javascript files change file state for control knob and data record button
- PHP script changes text files based on user selection of unit type or wheel size



Detailed Circuit Diagram

Rectifier & Motor



Back EMF Voltage Divider & Tachometer
(Speed Measurement)

VCC = 5V FOR ALL COMPONENTS

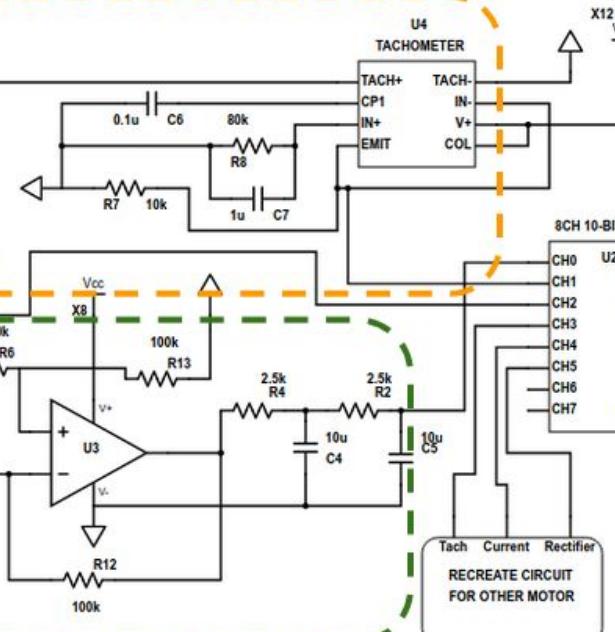
HALL SENSOR - ONE PHASE

EARTH GROUND TO FRAME

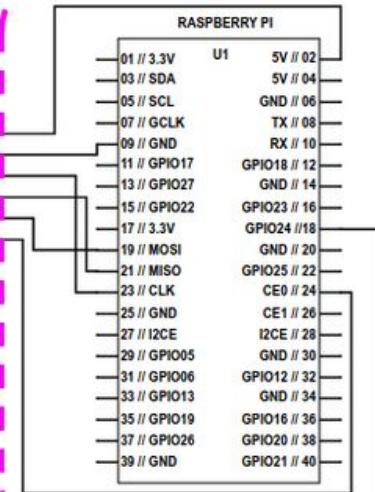
RECREATE CIRCUIT
FOR OTHER MOTOR

Op-Amp w/ Lowpass Filter
(Current Measurement)

Gate Driver & Variable
Resistance



Single Board Computer



Part Selection Pt. 1



- MOSFET
 - Drain-Source voltage should support 40V
 - Drain current should support 15A
 - Low Rds means lower power dissipation
 - Lower gate charge means quicker transition times
- Rectifier
 - Reverse voltage should support 40V as this is the theoretical max value for 20 MPH limit
 - Max surge current should support 15A as this is the torque limit supported by theory
 - Lower diode resistance is better as the motor can get closer to stalling conditions

Mosfet Comparison					
Component Name	Breakdown Voltage Vds	Maximum Drain Current Id	Mosfet On Resistance Rds	Gate Charge	Price
IRFZ24NPBF	55 V	17 A	70 mOhms	13.3 nC	\$0.63
CSD18537NKCS	60 V	56 A	14 mOhms	14 nC	\$1.29
IPP12CN10L G	100 V	69 A	9.9 mOhms	58 nC	\$1.67
IRFB3806PBF	60 V	43 A	12.6 mOhms	22 nC	\$0.83

Rectifier Comparison					
Component Name	Peak Reverse Voltage	Maximum Surge Current	Maximum Operating Temperature	Diode Resistance	Price
FUO22-12N	1200 V	22 A	150 C	120mΩ	\$6.88
GUO40-12NO1	1200 V	40 A	150 C	80mΩ	\$9.02
FUE30-12N1	1200 V	30 A	175 C	140mΩ	\$11.23
FUS45-0045B	45 V	45 A	150 C	36mΩ	\$6.83

Part Selection Pt. 2

- Gate Driver
 - Supply voltage is 5V so this should be supported
 - Higher output current means mosfet can switch faster thus less heat dissipation
 - Lower rise/fall times can support higher PWM frequencies
- Single-Board Computer
 - Wireless capabilities are necessary to connect external display
 - GPIO that allows for analog and digital pins is ideal but ADC can be utilized
 - Pi 3 + ADC is cheapest combination and meets requirements so this option is selected

Gate Driver Comparison					
Component Name	Supply Voltage	Output Current	Rise / Fall Times	Maximum Operating Temperature	Price
IX4424G	4.5-30 V	2 A	60 nS / 60 nS	125 C	\$1.58
MCP14E10	4.5-18 V	3 A	14 nS / 17 nS	125 C	\$1.86
MIC4423ZN	4.5-18 V	3 A	28 nS / 32 nS	70 C	\$2.20
MIC4424YN	4.5-18 V	1 A	35 nS / 35 nS	85 C	\$1.77

Single-Board Computer Comparison					
Computers	Wireless Capabilities	Processor	RAM Size	GPIO	Price
<i>ODROID-C2</i>	None	2 Ghz ARM-A53	2 GB	Analog + Digital	\$40
<i>Libre AML-S905X</i>	None	1.4 Ghz ARM-A53	2 GB	Only Digital	\$45
<i>Orange Pi 4G-IOT</i>	Wifi + Bluetooth	1 Ghz ARM-A53	1 GB	Only Digital	\$45
<i>Raspberry Pi 4</i>	Wifi + Bluetooth	1.5 GHz ARM-A72	1-4 GB	Only Digital	\$35
<i>BeagleBone Black</i>	None	1 GHz ARM-A8	512 MB	Analog + Digital	\$55

Part Selection Pt. 3

- Op-Amps
 - Lower input offset voltage means more accurate results at low currents (→ low torque)
 - Higher CMRR means better resistance against noise
- ADC
 - Sample rate works for any value as we are sampling a few times a second
 - Due to updated design, 8 channels is necessary
 - 8-bit and 10-bit work well since we only go to one decimal place
- Tachometer
 - Input voltage is from -5 to 5V so only half of components work
 - Frequency should support 0 to 100 Hz so all components work

Operational Amplifiers Comparison				
Component	Input Offset Voltage	Channels	CMRR	Price
LT1490	110 uV	2	98 dB	\$5.09
OPA2227PA	75 uV	2	130 dB	\$5.48
OPA2336P	125 uV	2	80 dB	\$6.07

Analog Digital Converter				
Component	Resolution	Sampling Rate	Channels	Price
MPC3004	10	200 kS/s	4	\$2.14
MCP3008	10	200 kS/s	8	\$2.25
MCP3204	12	100 kS/s	4	\$3.26
TLC0838	8	20 kS/s	8	\$5.06

Tachometer				
	LM2907N-8	LM2917N-8	LM2917N-14	LM2907N-14
Frequency (kHz)	10	10	10	10
Input Voltage (V)	(-28) - 28	(-28) - 28	0 - 28	0 - 28
Cost	\$2.33	\$2.13	\$2.13	\$2.33

Power Consumption

Power Consumption			
Component	Voltage	Current	Power
Tachometer (x2)	5V	0.28A	1.4W
Gate Driver (x2)	5V	0.1A	1W
Amplifiers (x2)	5V	0.02A	0.2W
ADC (x1)	5V	0.01A	0.1W
Total:	5V	0.42A	2.7W

Therefore, 5V 2.5A power supply works well!

User Interface

Dyno

Dyno

Entities

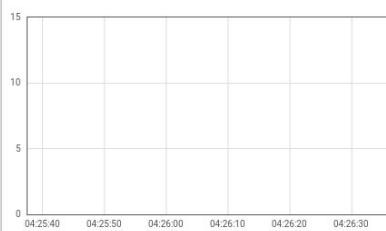
Realtime - last minute



Dyno

Home

Speed



Left Motor Torque

0.0 lbf-in

Error: 409 -

Record Workout



OFF

Calories

0.0 Cal

Timer

00:00:00

Data

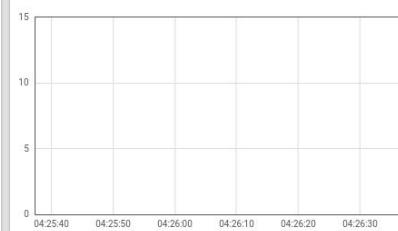


Units



Wheel Size

Torque



Right Motor Torque

0.0 lbf-in

Max Speed

0.0 mph

Max Force

0.0 lbf

Distance

0.0 miles

Device is offline.

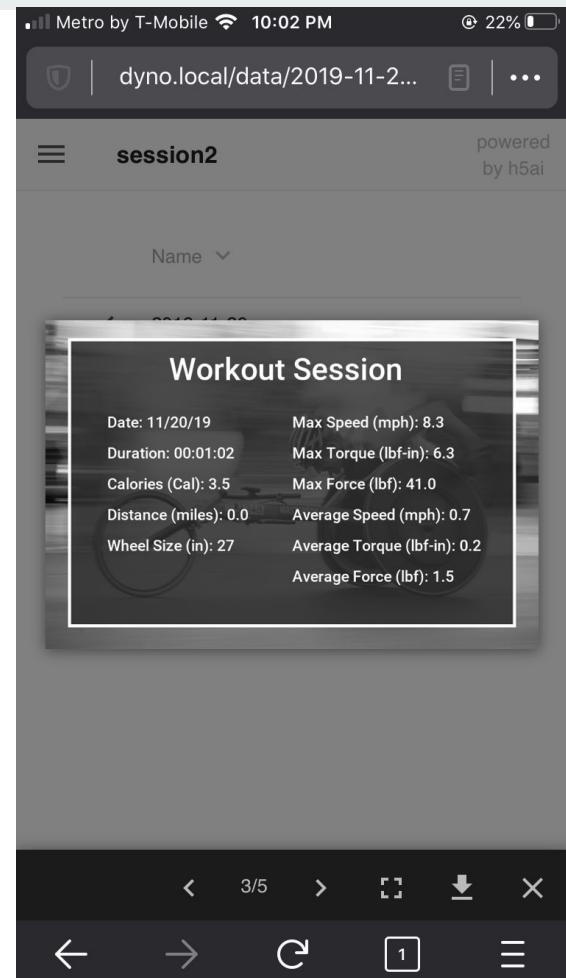
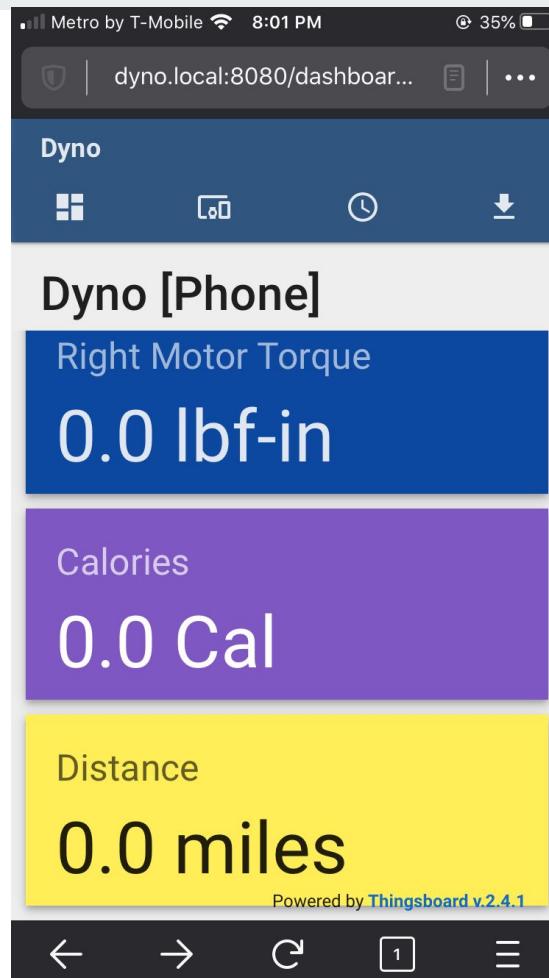
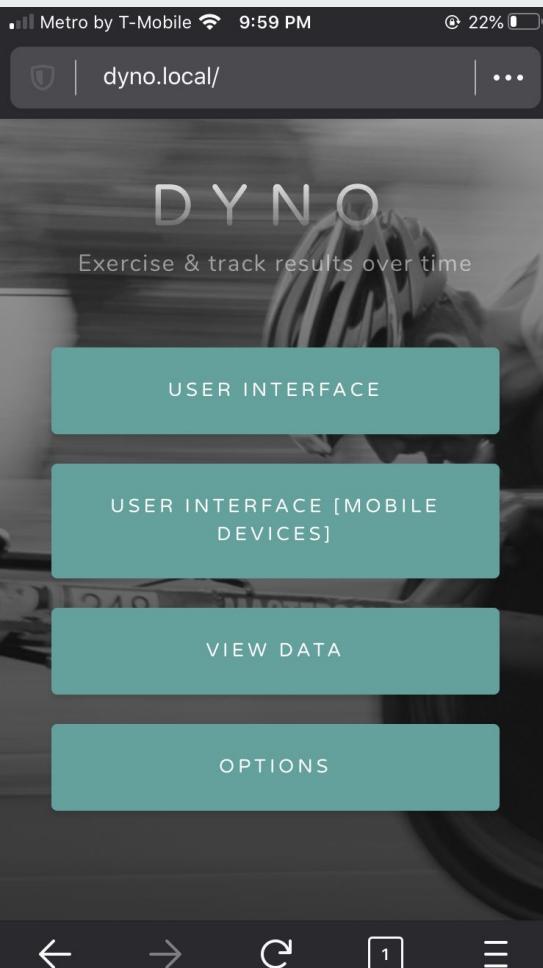


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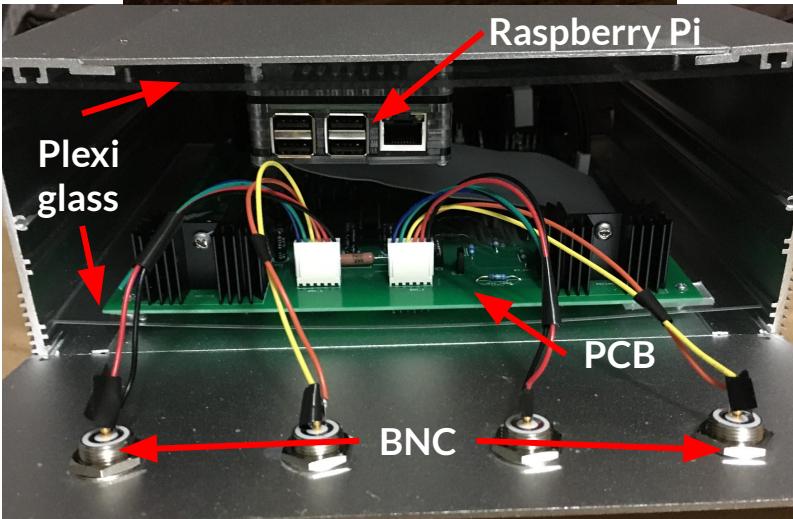
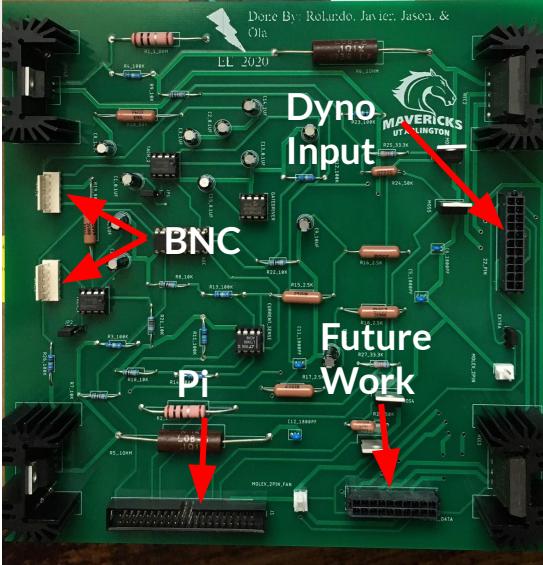
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Mobile User Interface



Etched PCB & Enclosure

- Double-layer 2 oz copper FR4 board professionally etched by PCBWay
- Easy connectors for Raspberry Pi, dyno wires (Molex), and BNC connections
- Heatsink on board for proper cooling and adequate trace widths for current capacity
- Future work connector to possibly integrate motor controllers to main system
- PCB and Pi mounted on plexiglass that fits into grooves of aluminum enclosure



Enclosure Pt. 2

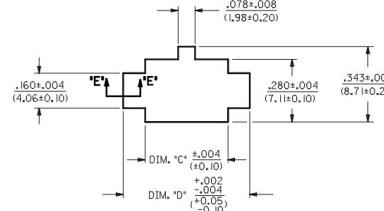
- Aluminum enclosure with internal grooves to slide PCB and Pi by using plexiglass
- 22-Pin Molex connector attached at the front to connect dyno wires to the box
- Back panel has four BNC connectors for data acquisition
- Securing enclosure to frame remains to be done



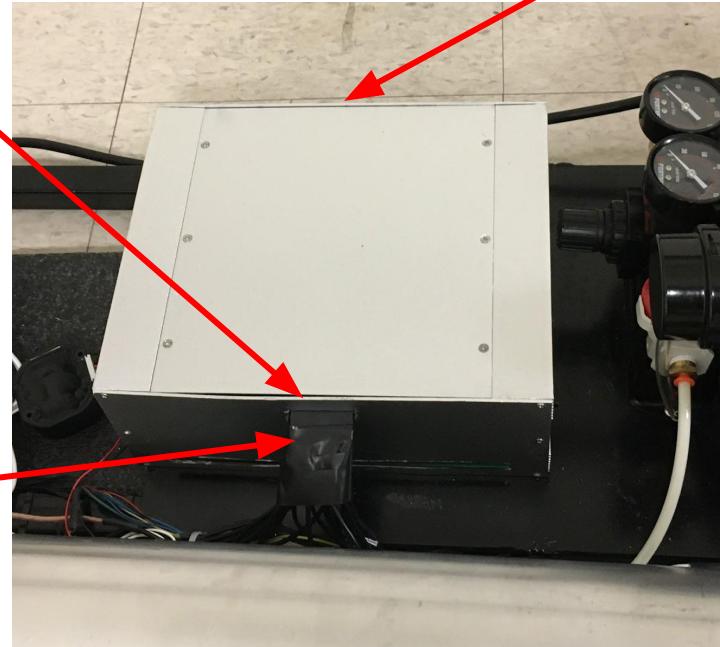
Inside
Enclosure



https://www.molex.com/molex/products/part-detail/crimp_housings/0430252200



<https://www.aliexpress.com/store/product/1PC-Electronic-Connector-BNC-Female>



Budget List

Part Name	Part Number	Quantity	Cost
Mosfets	CSD18537NKCS	6	\$10.02
Pin Headers (x20)	855-M20-9993045	1	\$1.04
Gate Driver	579-MCP14E10-E/P	1	\$4.23
Frequency Voltage Converter	926-LM2917N-8/NOPB	2	\$4.26
Operational Amplifier	584-LT1490ACN8#PBF	1	\$5.48
Current Sense Resistor	66-LOB5R100FLF	2	\$3.08
DIP Socket (16P)	571-1-2199298-4	1	\$0.23
DIP Socket (8P)	571-1-2199298-2	4	\$0.88
Heat Sink	588-RA-T2X-25E	4	\$7.96
Thermal Paste	532-249	1	\$9.38
Heat Shrink Tubing	650-829131P019	25	\$2.60
0.1uF Capacitor	647-UKL1H0R1KDDANA	4	\$1.44
1uF Capacitor	647-UKL1H010KDDANA	4	\$0.40
10uF Capacitor	647-UKL1C100KDD1TD	4	\$1.20
1800pF Capacitor	810-FG28C0G1H182JNT0	4	\$0.46
100K Resistor	660-MF1/4LCT52R104G	6	\$0.60
10K Resistor	660-MF1/4LCT52R103G	8	\$0.80
80K Resistor	71-RN65C8002B	2	\$1.35
2.5K Resistor	71-RN60D2501F	4	\$1.44

0.1K Resistor	603-FMP300FRF73-1R	2	\$1.18
3-Phase Rectifier	747-FUS45-0045B	2	\$13.66
Ring-Tongue Connector	571-696424-7	2	\$2.64
Analog/Digital Converter	579-MCP3008-I/P	1	\$2.19
Raspberry Pi 3 Model B+	B07BC6WH7V	1	\$64.99
Raspberry Case w/ fan	B07BTHNW9W	1	\$15.99
Molex 2-Pin PCB	538-22-23-2021	2	\$0.34
Jumpers	474-PRT-09044	3	\$1.05
Pi Ribbon Cable	474-CAB-13028	1	\$2.50
Pi PCB Header	474-PRT-13054	1	\$0.95
Molex 22-pin Male	538-43025-2200	2	\$2.74
Molex 22-pin Female	538-43020-2200	1	\$2.50
Molex PCB Header 22-Pin	538-43045-2212	1	\$4.42
Female Crimp Terminals	538-43030-0007	65	\$9.50
Male Crimp Terminals	538-43031-0007	50	\$8.45
Molex 6-Pin Assembly	474-PRT-09922	2	\$3.90
50K Resistor	71-RN60C5002D	2	\$0.82
33.3K Resistor	660-MF1/4CCT52R3322F	2	\$0.38
20-pin PCB Header	538-43045-2012	1	\$3.55
20AWG Wire	510-CT2879-0-10	1	\$13.65
Molex 2-pin Housing	538-22-01-3027	2	\$0.24
Molex 2-pin Crimps	538-08-50-0114	4	\$0.68
Enclosure	B07VRKD183 [Amazon]	1	\$29.99
32GB MicroSD	B073JWXGNT [Amazon]	1	\$7.99
Final PCB	NA [PCBWay]	5 Minimum	\$120.00

Fall 2019 Schedule

Video Evidence

- PCB Experiments
 - Experiments conducted using the final PCB before connecting things to the actual dyno
 - Components tested include the following: gate driver, ADC, Pi connectivity, Tachometer, Multi-stage voltage divider, and current sensor
 - Power supply, function generator, oscilloscope, and multimeter used to verify components
 - Results look good so testing moved to using the actual dyno machine
 - <https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/fa23dd65-769f-4800-a2ae-d4a5f3a12bb8>
- Dyno Demo:
 - Demo video recorded to show that project requirements are satisfied
 - Video shows startup, using the dyno display to control resistance, changing settings, viewing past workout data, and showing real-time torque and speed information
 - The mechanical system is also utilized to show complete integration
 - <https://youtu.be/Yah3G0mNRrM>

Conclusion

- Summary
 - Dyno can display speed, torque, calories burned, distance traveled, maximum value information
 - The user is able to vary the mechanical resistance of the rollers to have different workout levels based on their athletic ability
 - Data can be recorded and accessed with any browser-enabled device or the included display to track progress
 - Electrical system starts automatically and is packaged in a professional aluminum enclosure
- Possible future work
 - Remove friction between wheels and rollers for life-like rolling by utilizing some kind of motor controllers