



CONNECT FOUR

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Hardware, build process, and assembly

- 3D printed Connect Four design with custom stand.
- Game logic: Dragon-12 through C-programming language and CodeWarrior. [1],[2]
- Individually addressable LED strips.[3]
- LCD and 7-segment displays used for game play updates and player scores [4],[5],[6]
- Arduino used for controlling the 6x7 LED matrix. [7]
- Joystick-controlled game logic for engagement.[8]





LCD



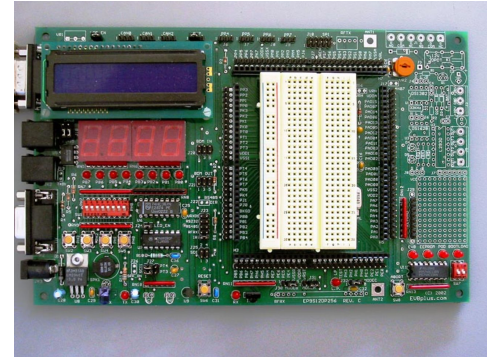
7-segment display



WS2812B Individually addressable
RGB strip

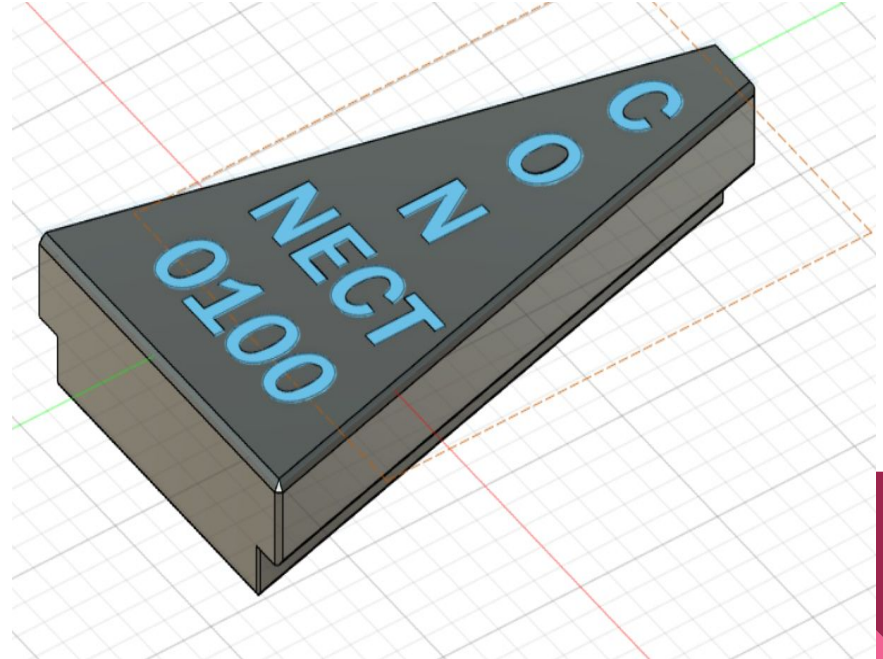
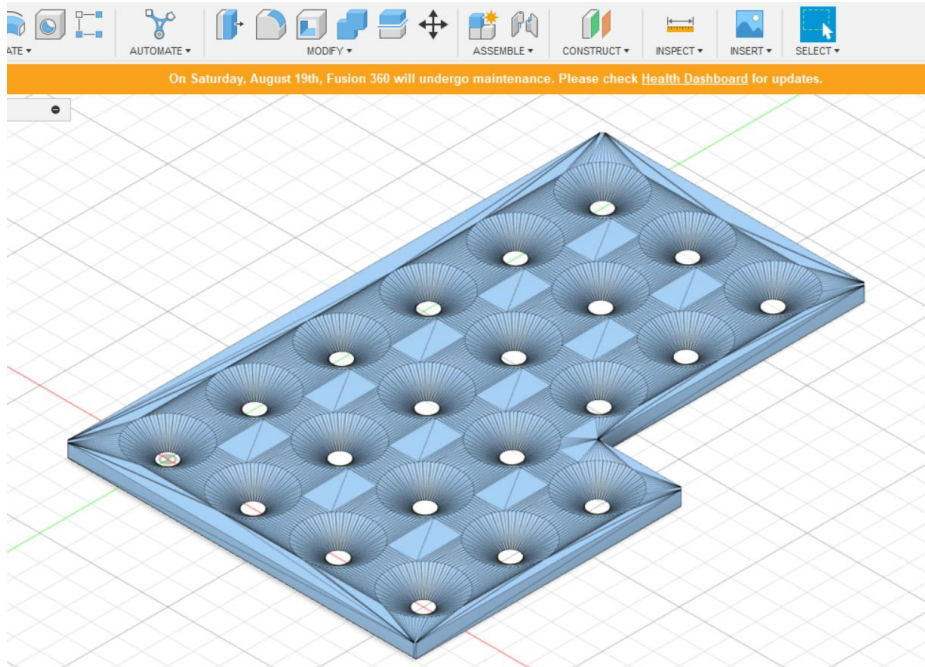
Dragon 12 board & Arduino Nano

- Serial UART communication between Dragon 12 and Arduino[7]
- Arduino drives leds using Adafruit Neopixel library
- Dragon 12 controls logic and sends neopixel commands and required data one byte at a time[1]
 - a. Neopixel_set: position, red, green, blue
 - b. Neopixel_reset: position
 - c. neopixel_show



Components

The front/rear and side panels were created using modeling software and a 3D printer.



Finished game board



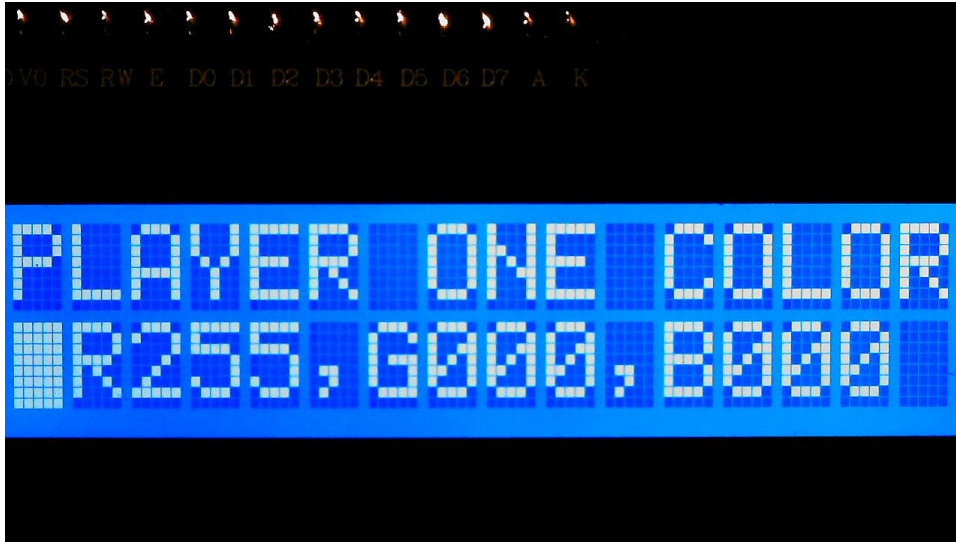
Using joystick control

- Multiplayer with two joysticks connected to four ADC channels.
 - a. Reads in 10-bit unsigned values [8],[9]
- Joysticks for LED color control and gameplay.
- Players select colors individually via joysticks for interactivity.
 - a. Left/Right: switch color value
 - b. Up/Down: increment color value by 10
 - c. Button: finalize selection



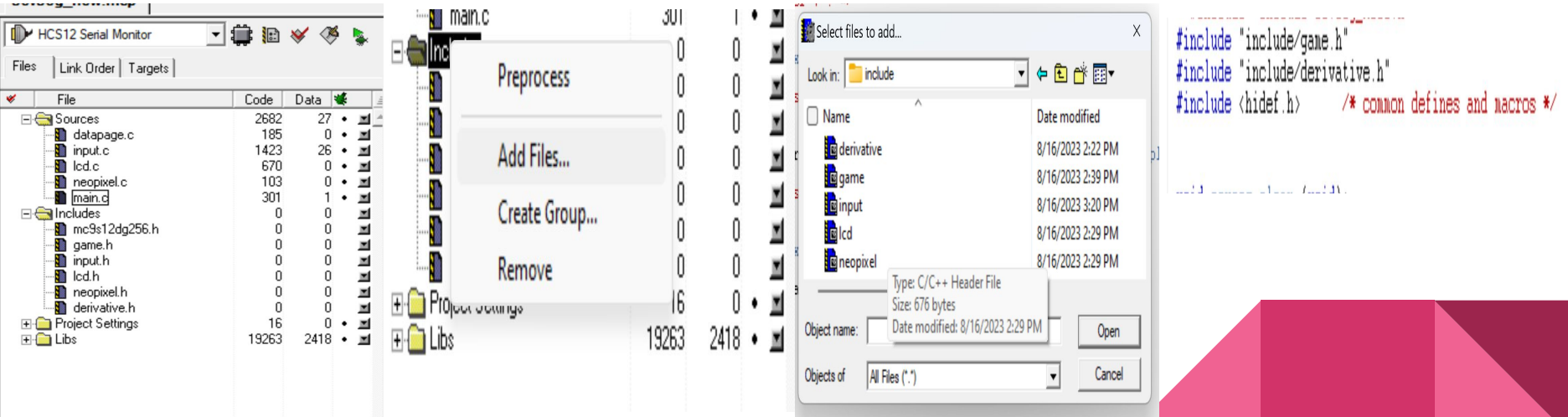
USING THE LCD

- Used the built-in LCD control functions from: [hackaday.io](https://www.hackaday.io) [4]
- Various messages displayed depending on the game status
- Customized player color can be displayed at startup

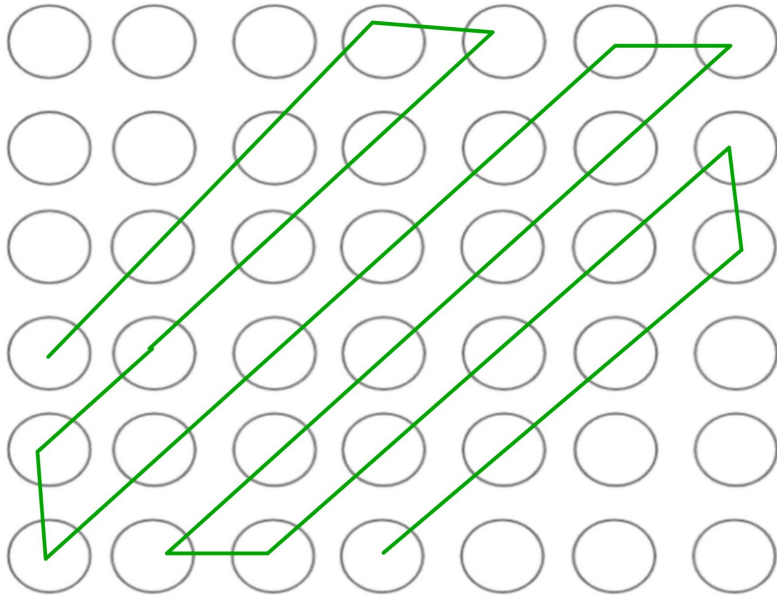


Software and integration of sources

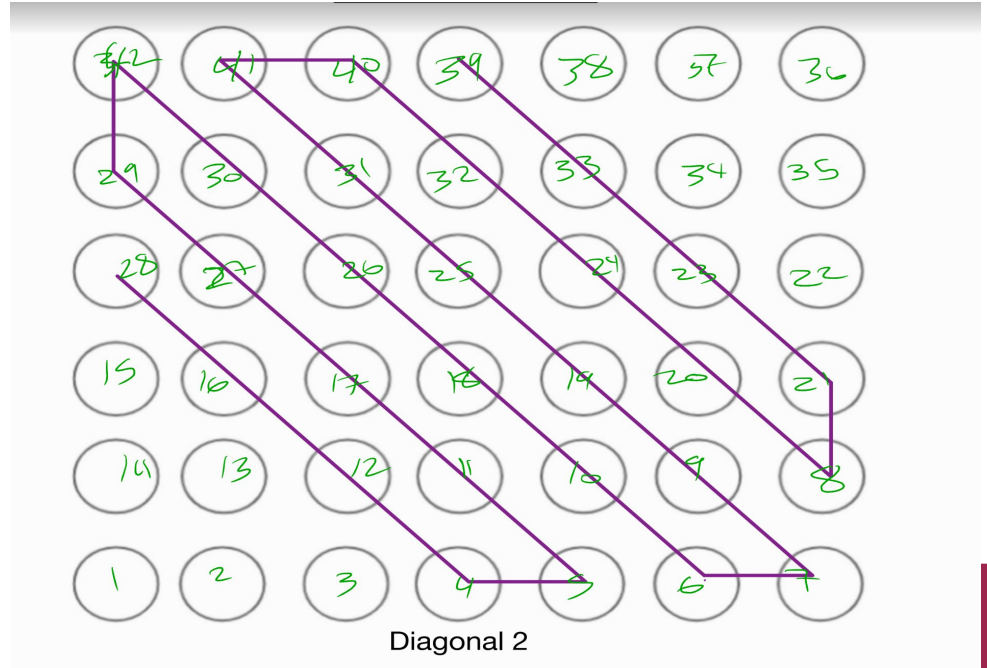
- Here are the steps we took to add the library to CodeWarrior and how it can be called in the main program,



DIAGONAL

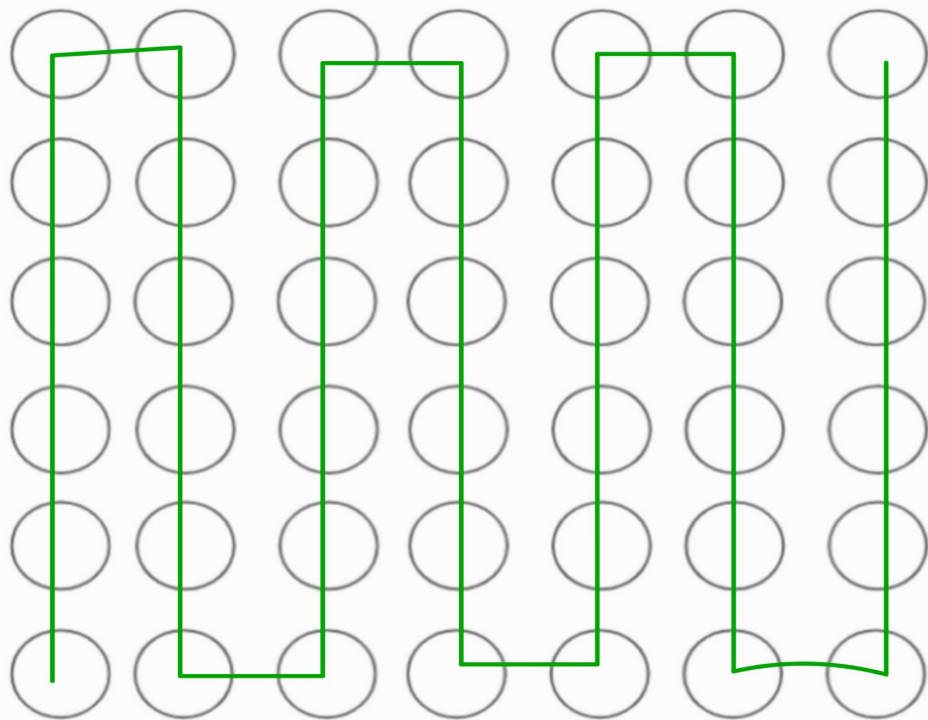
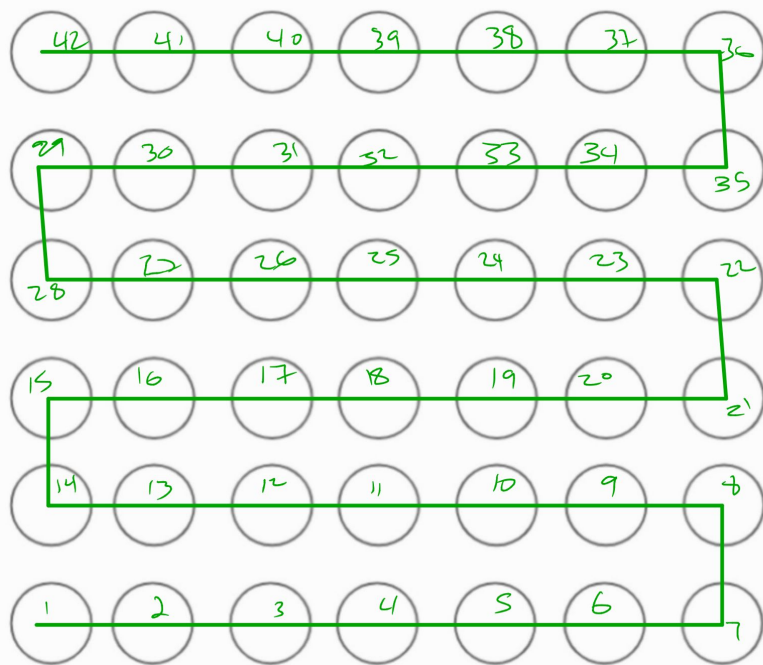


Diagonal



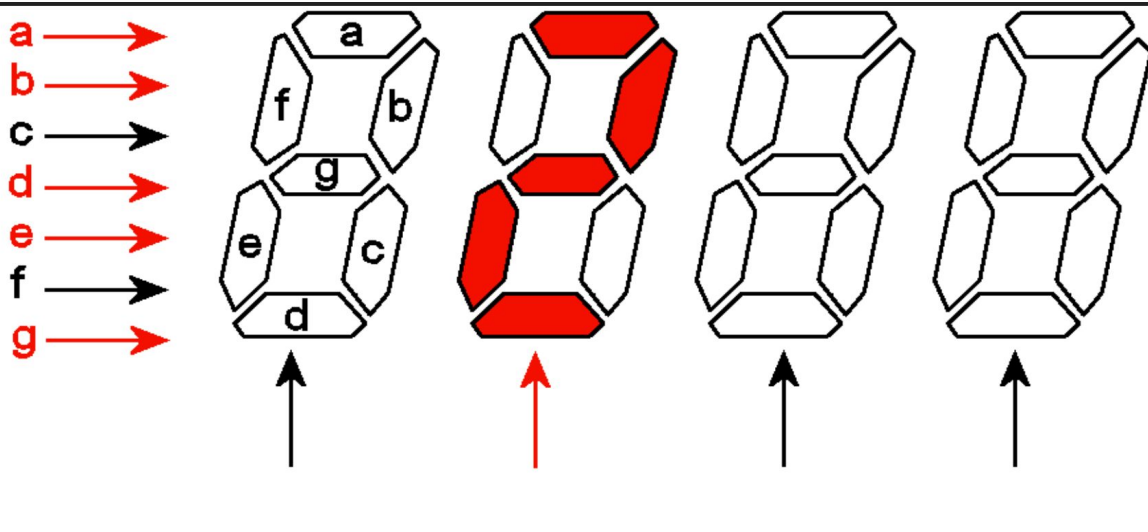
Diagonal 2

Horizontal and vertical



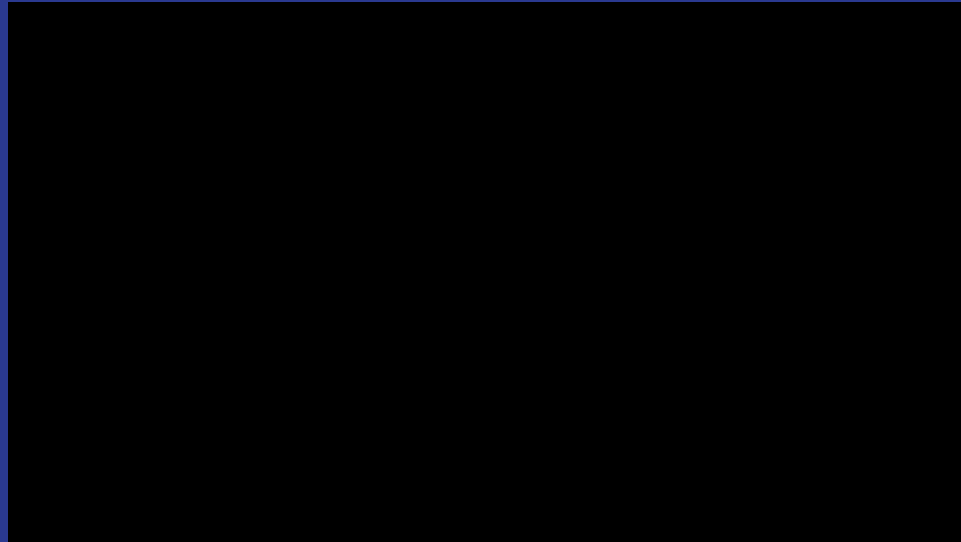
7 segments

- The connect-4 checks are performed, then the player score is updated and displayed on 7-seg display.
- Used 7-segment displays and provided example to create real-time game status update.[6]
- Displayed player scores and numbers using the 7-segment setup.



Demo Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HfYWu-1aC-o>



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