



**[ASSIST]**

# Hackathon Final Presentation

# Who and What is Assist?

We wanted to create a multi-functional assistive feeding device.



Obi 3 Robotic Feeding Device – Adaptive Dining  
Robot for Independent Mealtime Support

Obi | SKU: E19667 | MPN: IFD-500-031

\$12,000.00

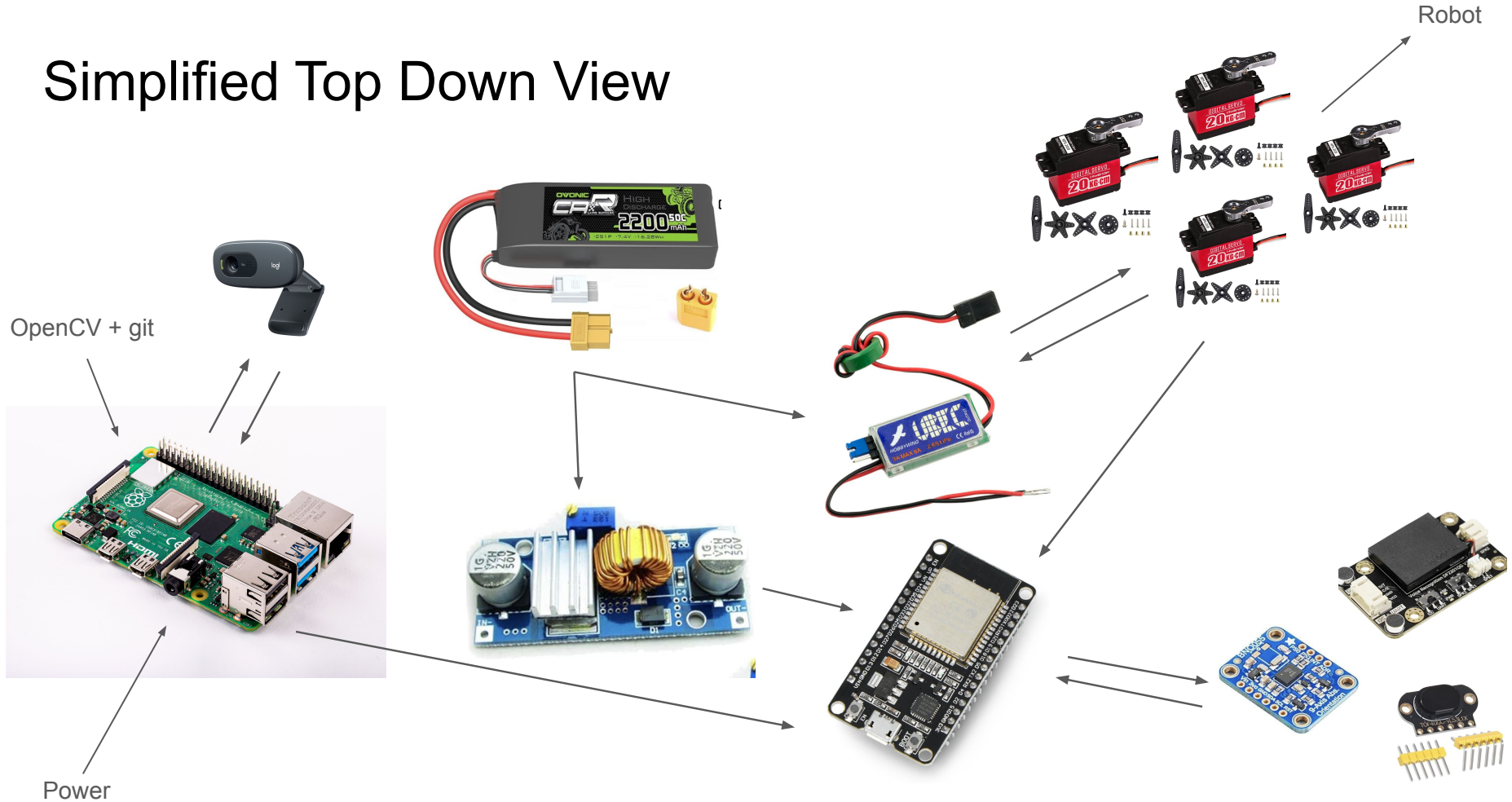
still requires a caregiver + controls

Individual parts (for replacement)  
costs \$150+ each

you have to purchase a spork

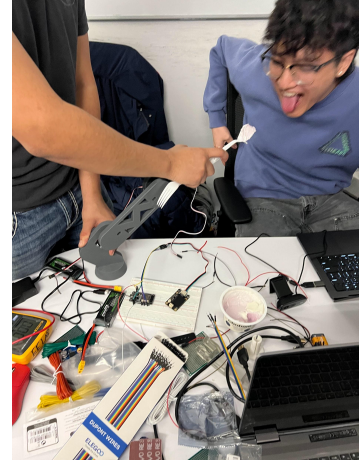
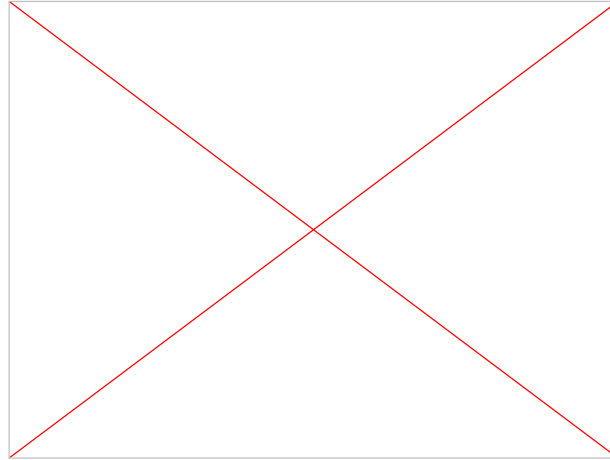
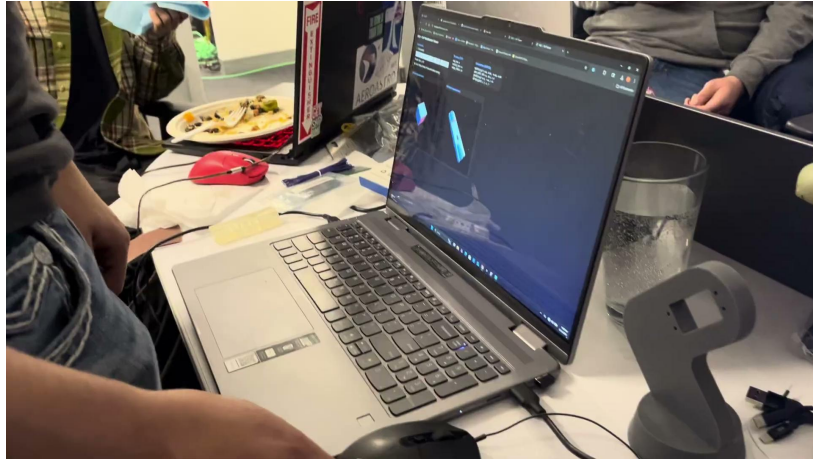
Eating should still be fun, comfortable, and high-tech. **So, we decided to create one for fun.**

# Simplified Top Down View



# Work In Progress

- Programmable robotic arm with several individually working sensors
- Working website showcasing the functionality of each sensor in action
- Somewhat trustworthy opencv (never got the chance to fully test this)
- Never completely soldered everything so we cannot test/demo

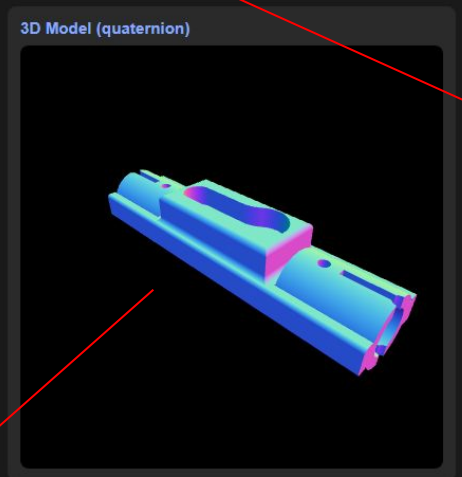
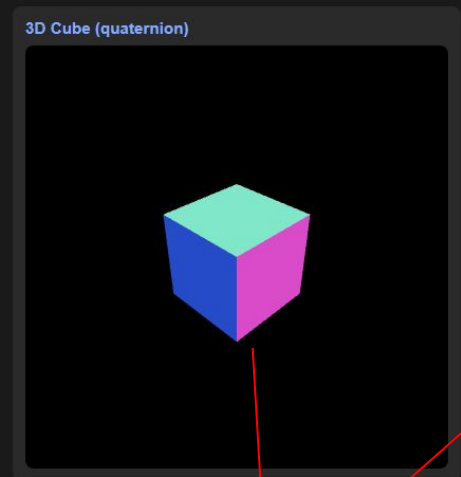


**Connection**  
● Connected

**Distance (ToF)**  
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vertical\_mm: 0.0  
range\_status: 255

**Orientation (BNO055)**  
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yaw, pitch, roll: 0.0, 0.0, 0.0  
gravity x,y,z: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00  
cal sys,g,a,m: 0, 0, 0, 0

Packet rate: 25 Hz  
☐ Axis remap (swap if cube orientation wrong)



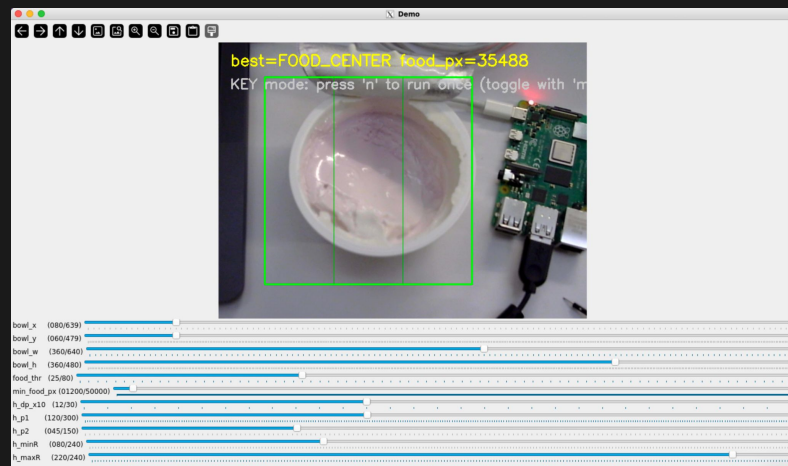
Raw Orientation Data

Raw Distance Data

Visual Model

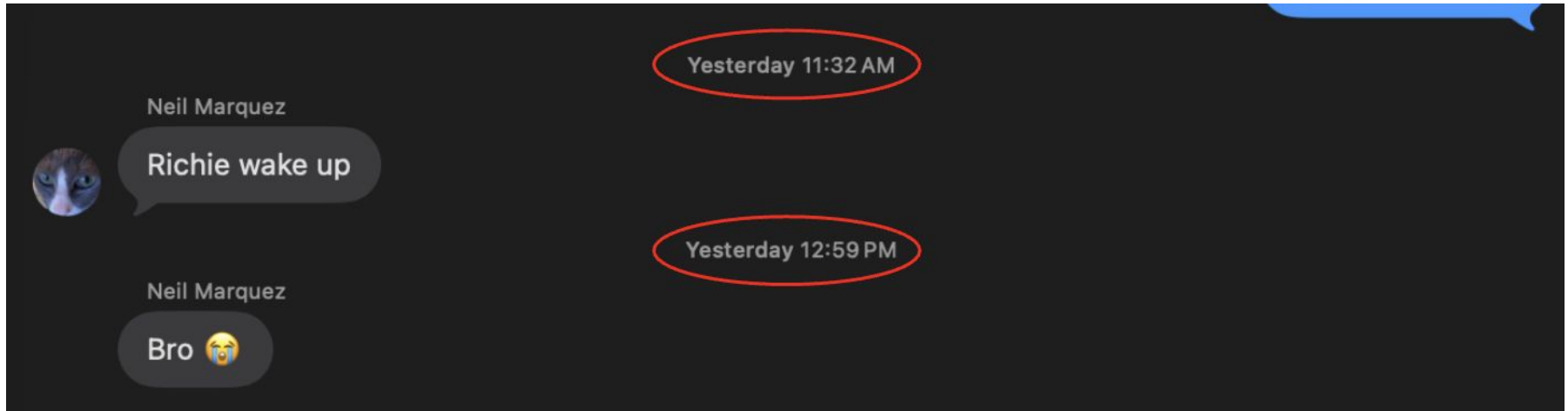
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[kiuin@assistive-arm:~$ cd ~/assist/raspberry/opencv
[kiuin@assistive-arm:~/assist/raspberry/opencv$ python3 brain_mac.py
[ WARN:0@2.499] global cap_gstreamer.cpp:1777 open OpenCV | GStreamer warning: C
annot query video position: status=0, value=-1, duration=-1
No matching fbConfigs or visuals found
glx: failed to create drisw screen
Loaded baseline.

=== No-marker Bowl Zone Demo ===
Keys:
b = capture EMPTY bowl baseline
n = run ONE cycle (key mode)
m = toggle key/auto mode
f = try AUTO-FIND bowl circle (sets ROI)
w = save config
ESC = quit
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# Biggest Takeaways

- Designing for modularity
- Working with OpenCV, data collection, and calibration (ROI +baseline diff)
- Time-effective SLA printing
- Effective soldering
- ~~How to wake up on time~~



# What's Next?

- Finish soldering the electronics (crucial)
- Updating the OpenCV code
- Improvements in design, creating areas to place electronics safely
- Add in additional components + features including bite detection and maybe knife

