

# Prototype A - SALS

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# Spectrophotometer for Analysing Liquid Samples



# Convocation



## User Needs:


- Test properties of a liquid by scanning it with a device
- Identify a liquid based on its properties
- Test the color result of a paper dipstick
- Receive results quickly and easily

# Description

- Requirements

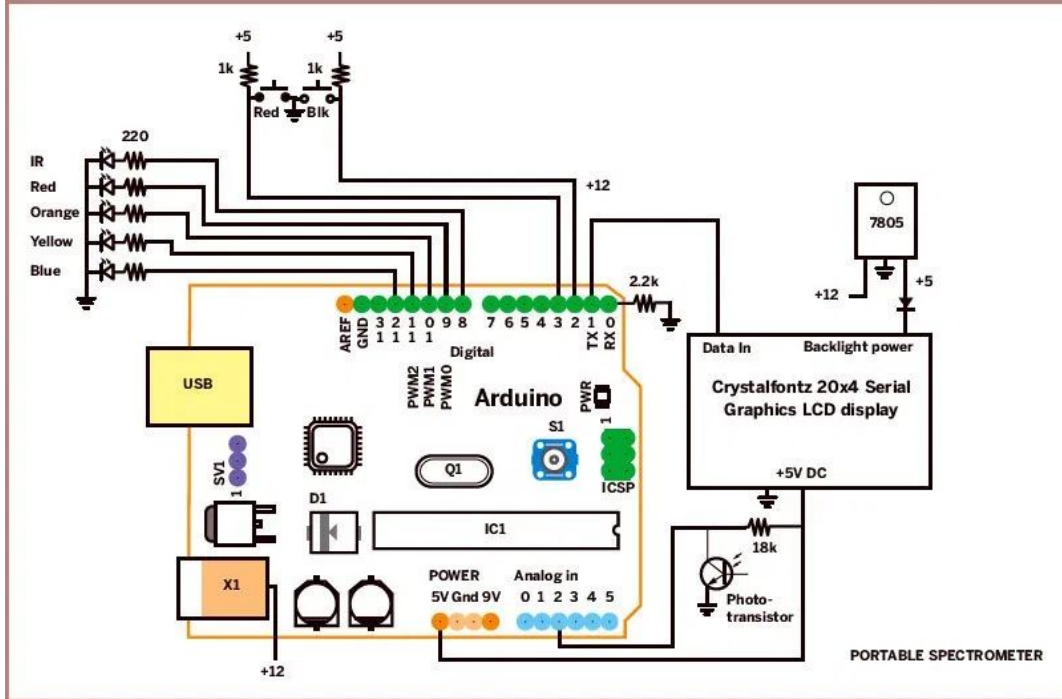
- Analyze the turbidity of a liquid (i.e. water)
- Analyze a liquid's chemical composition based on its spectral distribution
- Identify a liquid by comparing its spectral distribution to a predefined or user-defined database with 'percent likeness'
- Test the color result of a paper dipstick
- Hold a predefined database of spectral distributions of liquids for comparison
- Ability to create a user-defined database of spectral distributions of liquids

- Purpose

- To identify liquids and their chemical compositions
  - May be used for testing water potability based on turbidity and chemical composition
  - To display a numerical or verbal result based on a used paper dipstick's color
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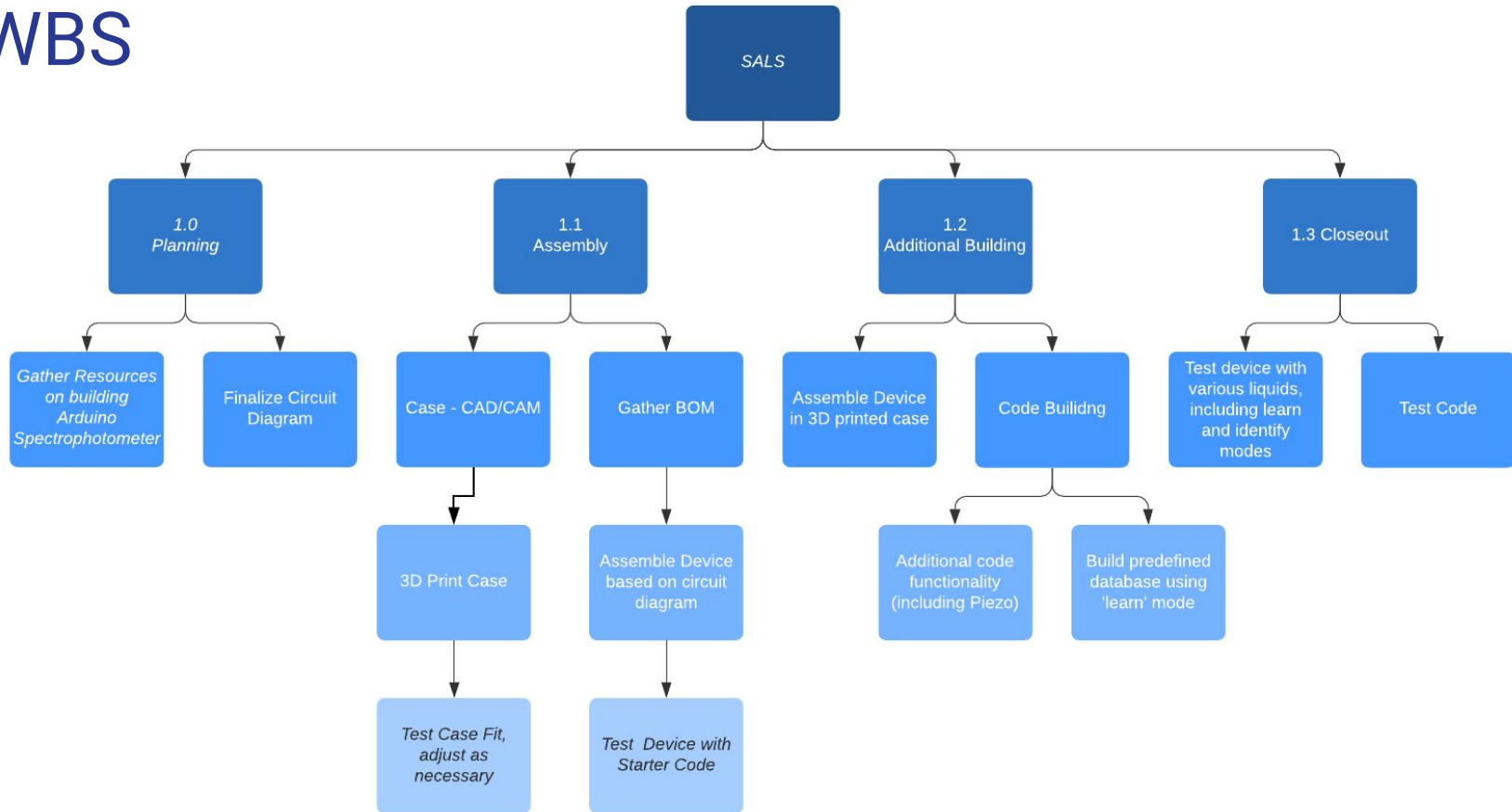
## Circuit Diagram



## BOM - Bill of Materials

- LEDs (5) blue, green, yellow, red, and infrared
- (IR) phototransistor
- ¼-watt resistors: 220 Ω (5), 1KΩ (2), 2.2KΩ, 18KΩ
- Serial display
- Power supply 6V–12V DC, 1A–1.5A
- 7805 5V voltage regulator and heat sink to drop the 12V to 5V for the display's backlight
- Case (3D printed)
- Push-button switches (2)
- Piezo (not shown)
- Testing strips

# WBS



# Examination

Changes since the proposal:

- CAWT to SALS
- Scoured the internet for the original tutorial (bless you Wayback Machine)
- Basically redid everything except for the original water/liquid idea
- We're still at 1.0 on our WBS



# Observation

- We need to *finalize our circuit diagram* (which won't change our BOM)
- Gather everything on our BOM so we can start *breadboard testing*
- Start seeing what changes we may need to make to the starter code
- Specifications/CAD for the *3D printed case* (8.7" x 5.7" x 3.0")

## Team Member Roles

- Hardware Team
  - Éowyn (esp. Piezo, 3D printing)
  - Cheldina (esp. assembly, liquid testing)
- Software(ish) Team
  - Lily (esp. starter codebase, spectroscopy)
  - Fiona (also 3D printing and assembly)





# Inquisition



<https://makezine.com/2008/11/18/safety-spectrometer/>  
[ResearchGate](#)

[https://web.archive.org/web/20130129025325/http://www.creative-technology.net/MAKE\\_Resource.html](https://web.archive.org/web/20130129025325/http://www.creative-technology.net/MAKE_Resource.html)

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