

MyGenWashy: Modernizing Old Appliances

We have **developed generic electronics** for **washing machines** that **modernize old appliances** and **integrate** them into a **Smart Home** for **monitoring** and **energy efficiency**.

Smart electronics can transform old physically working washing machines into sustainable, repaired & more intelligent appliances than before.

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Goal of the Hackathon

Generic electronic components

Development of a universal control system for washing machines

Gain knowledge

Understanding and documenting the components of a washing machine

Smart Home Integration

Connection to modern home automation systems

Open Product Pass => <http://odpp.at/> (July 2025)

Create & customize digital documentation for CURRENT products
Circular economy



What have we learned?

Security Functions

Surprisingly **simple** and effective **security mechanisms** in **AEG** and **Chinese control board**.

Established design

Many identical components like **Darlington ULN2003** driver for relay control

Price optimisation

High-quality washing machines have achieved an **excellent price/component ratio**. The main difference: **Interface**



Surprising discoveries



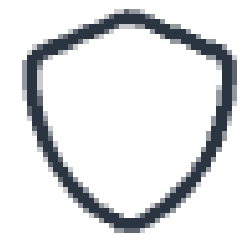
Water level control – by air pressure !?

Simple air membrane and air pressure => That was unexpected!



Direct control

230V circuit without complex electronics => **simplicity is King!**



Security system

Mechanical protection against overflow and overheating => **Safety first** – also on Chinese generic boards!



Conclusions



Sophisticated technology

The **operating principle** of a washing machine is **fully developed** and **optimized**

Circular Economy

High-quality machines can simply **continue** to be operated with **new electronics**. QED 😊

Sustainability: Refabrication, Pimp

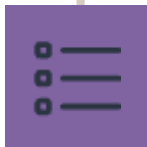
Replacing the electronics of an old washing machine with a **generic** one that has more **energy-saving** functions and is **easier** to control. This **saves resources** and **reduces electronic waste!**

Results of the Hackathon



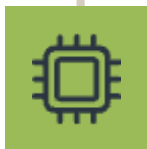
Schematic for circuit v1/3

[GitHub - mayermakes/MyGenWashy: Generic washing Machine Controller - Result of the TuttleButtle Hackathon 2025](#)



Component list v1/3

Complete component documentation



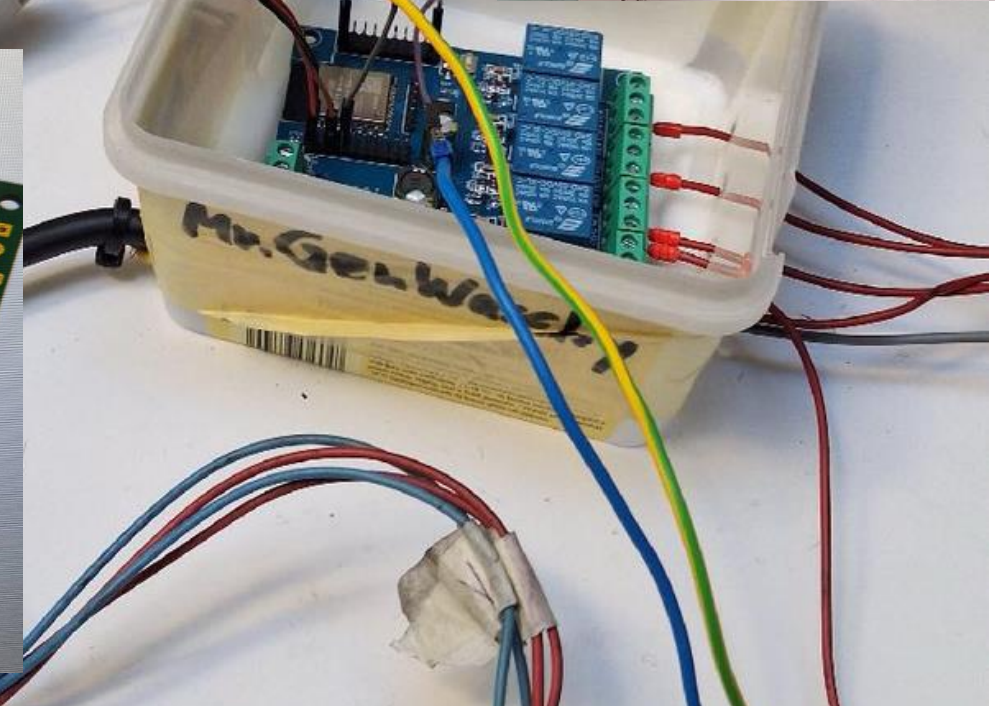
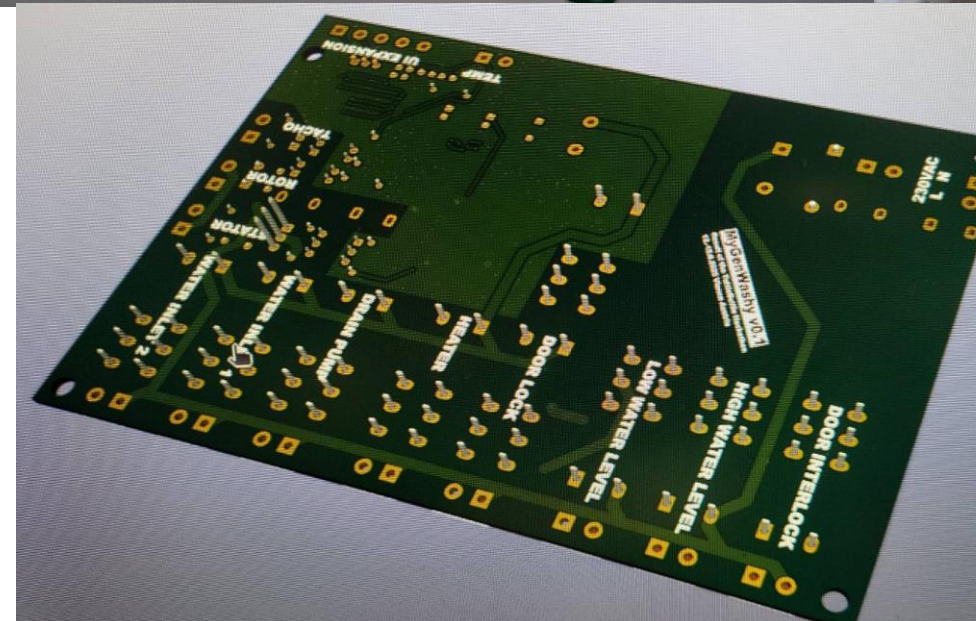
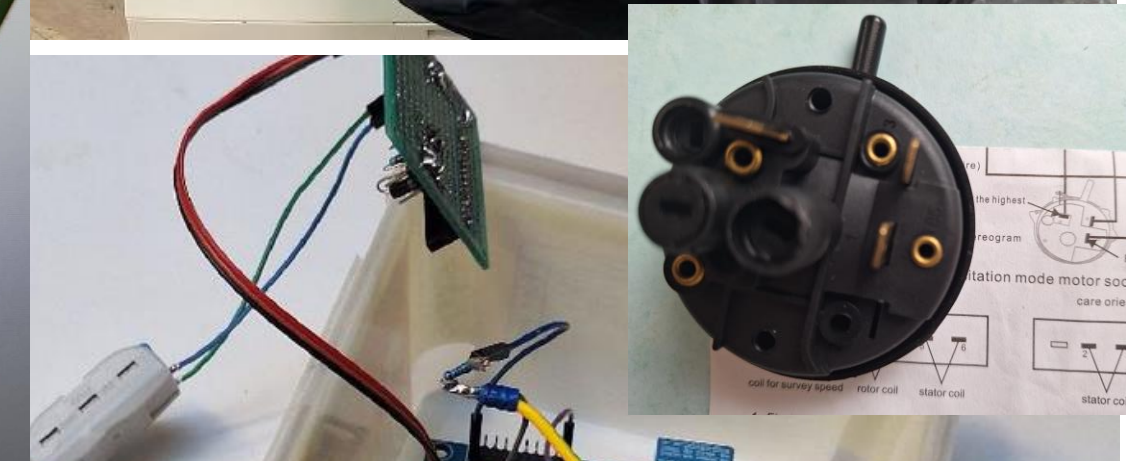
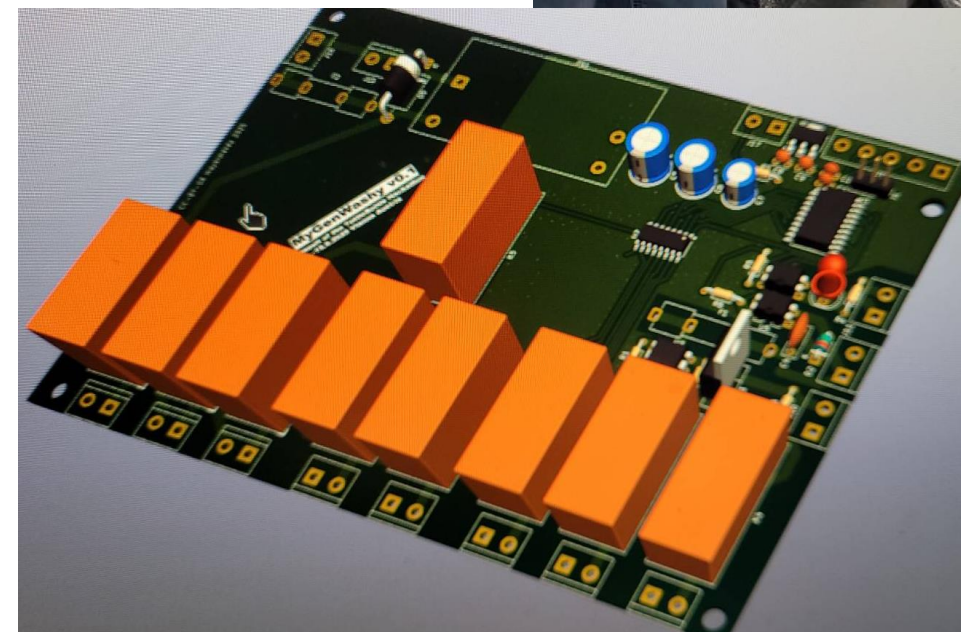
Board v1/3

PCB design for the MadWashyMax Edition



Smart Home Integration

PCB design for the MadWashyMax Edition
(intermediate Version here – will be updated once PCB Board v1 is here ...)




```
esphome:
  name: mygenwashy-v2
  friendly_name: MyGenWashy-v2
esp32:
  board: esp32dev
  framework:
    type: arduino
logger:
  level: VERBOSE

output:
  - platform: gpio
    pin: GPIO32
    id: relay_pin_1_relay_cold_water_valve
  - platform: gpio
    pin: GPIO33
    id: relay_pin_2_relay_pump
  - platform: gpio
    pin: GPIO25
    id: relay_pin_3_relay_montor_stator
  - platform: gpio
    pin: GPIO26
    id: relay_pin_4_relay_montor_aktor
  - platform: ledc #PWM Motor Speed
    pin: GPIO27
    frequency: 1000 Hz
    id: pwm_motor
switch:
  - platform: output
    id: switch_relay_cold_water_valve
    name: "R1 - Kaltwasserventil"
    icon: mdi:Water
    output: relay_pin_1_relay_cold_water_valve
    restore_mode: RESTORE_DEFAULT_OFF
  - platform: output
    id: switch_relay_relay_pump
    name: "R2 - Wasser abpumpen"
    icon: mdi:Pump
    output: relay_pin_2_relay_pump
  - platform: output
    id: switch_relay_montor_stator
    name: "R3 - Motor Stator"
    icon: mdi:Motor
    output: relay_pin_3_relay_montor_stator
  - platform: output
    id: switch_relay_pin_4_relay_montor_aktor
    name: "R4 - Motor Aktor"
    icon: mdi:MotorAktor
    output: relay_pin_4_relay_montor_aktor
```

```
fan: #Washing Machine Rince Speed
  - platform: speed
    output: pwm_motor
    name: "Motor Rotor Speed 3"
    icon: mdi:fan-speed-3
  - platform: speed
    output: pwm_motor
    name: "Motor Stator Speed 2"
    icon: mdi:fan-speed-2

sensor:
  - platform: ntc #NTC
    sensor: resistance_sensor
    calibration: #datasheet - or calkibrated - user instrcutions - MrWashyBalls
      #- 10.0kOhm -> 25°C
      #- 27.219kOhm -> 0°C
      #- 14.674kOhm -> 15°C
    b_constant: 3950
    reference_temperature: 25°C
    reference_resistance: 10kOhm
    name: "Water Temperature (NTC)"
    icon: mdi:thermometer-snowflake

  - platform: resistance
    id: resistance_sensor
    sensor: source_sensor
    configuration: DOWNSTREAM
    resistor: 5 kOhm #Messen
    name: Resistance Sensor

  - platform: adc
    id: source_sensor
    pin: GPIO35
    update_interval: 60s

  - platform: gpio
    pin:
      number: GPIO34
      mode: INPUT
      inverted: false
    name: "Umdrehungssignal"
    filters:
      - delayed_on: 10ms
      - delayed_off: 10ms
    icon: mdi:counter
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Home Assistant



ESPHome

ESPHome & Home Assist

[ESPHome - Home Assistant](#)

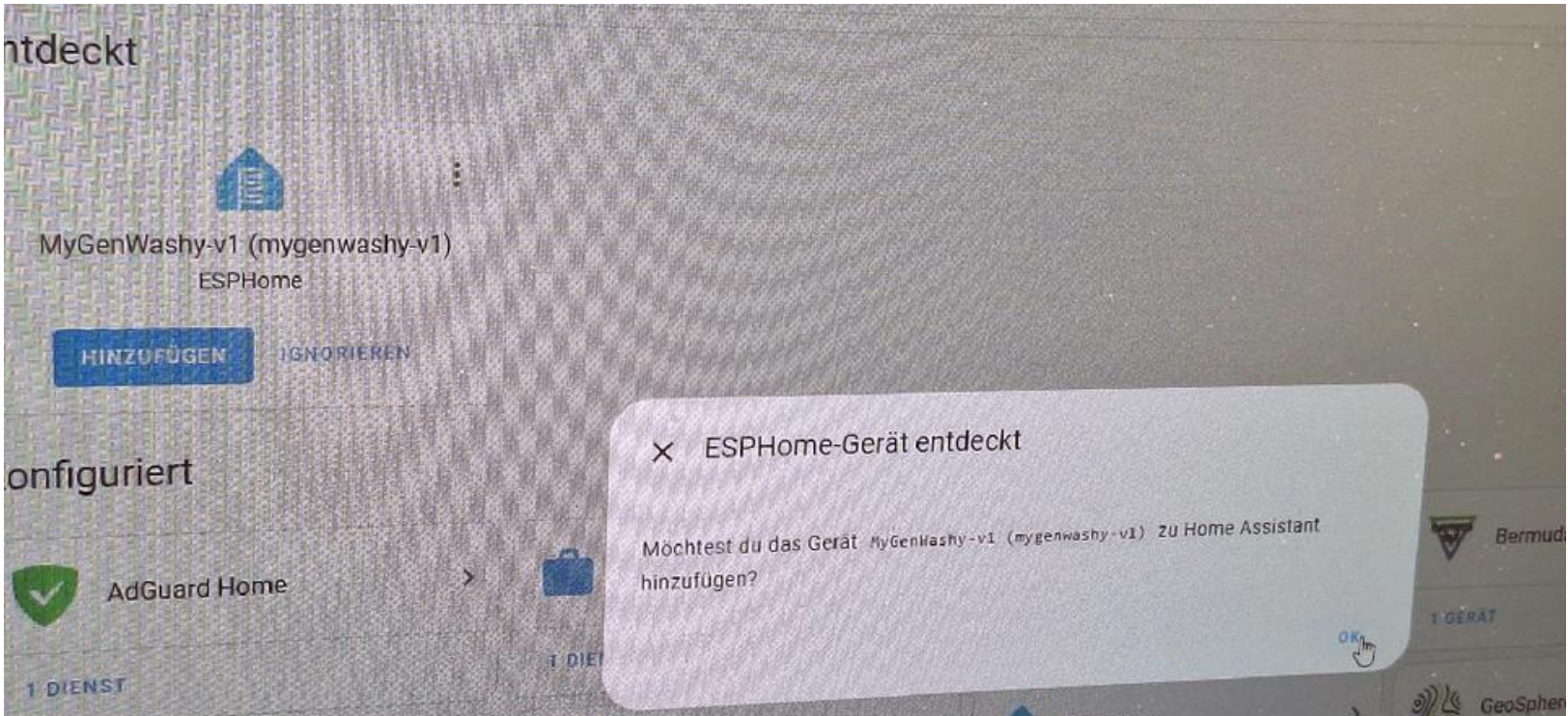
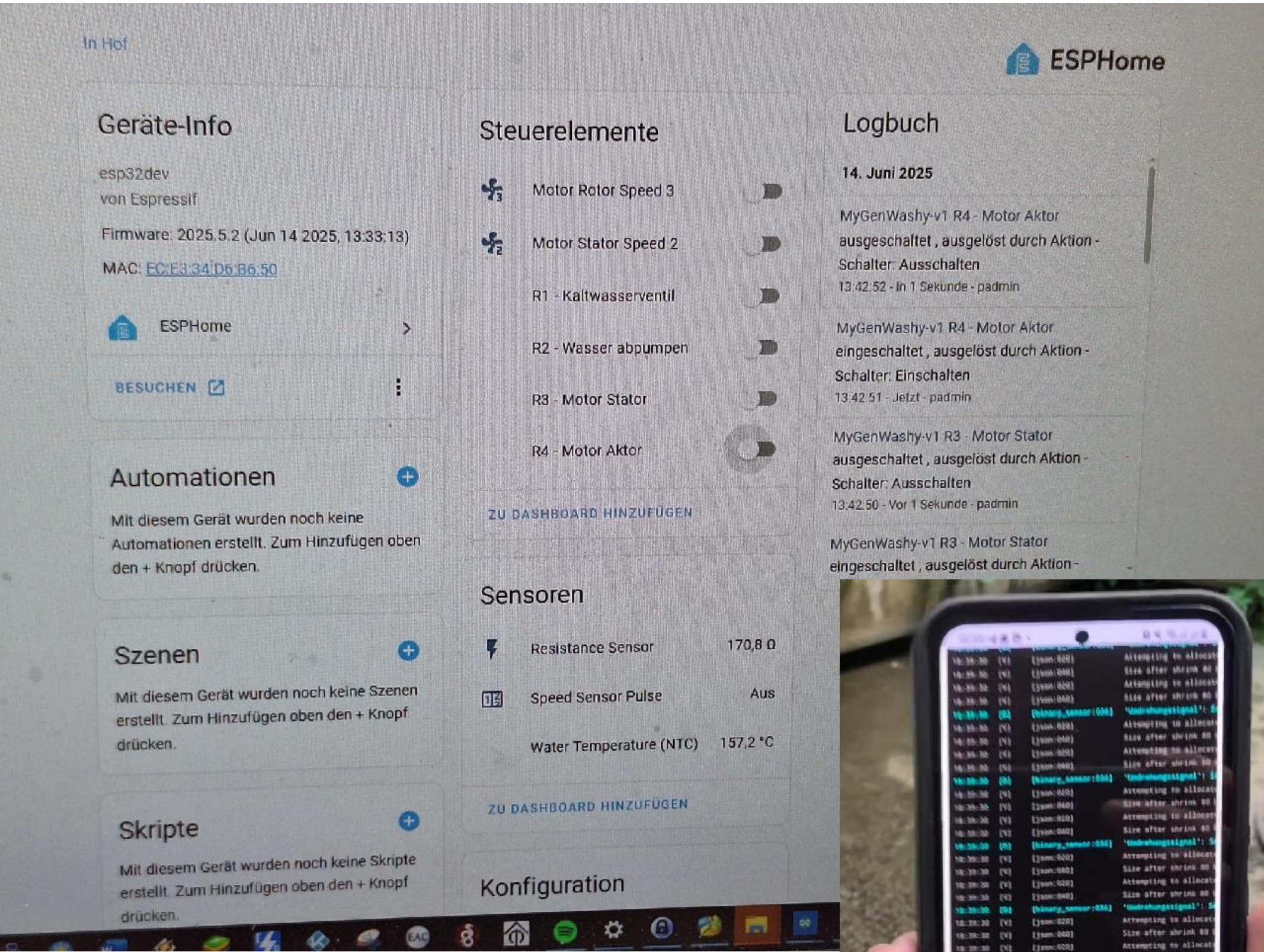
mygenwashy-v1.yaml

remarks:

Motor driver & NTC calibration will follow in v2

OnPrem Smart Home

Post-apocalyptic SmartHome
integration made possible without
stealing your data



Re-uses old Smartphone as display!



Minimal Arch / i2c Bus / OnPrem Smart Home

	A	B	C	D	E	G
1		Funktion	Sensor/Acto	Volt	typ- esphom	Cold Wash
2	WARM	Hot Water Valve (n/a)	Actor	230V?	switch	No
3	MAIN	Cold Water Valve	Actor	230V?	switch	Yes
4	RINSE	Rinse Valve	Actor	230V?	switch	Yes
5	DRAIN	Drain Pump	Actor	230V?	switch	Yes
6	LOCK	Control Wire Door Live (do not open door)	Sensor	0-230V	binary...	n/a
7	ROTOR	Motor	Actor	0-230V	switch	Yes
8	ROTOR	Motor	Actor	0-230V	switch	n/a
9	STATOR	Motor	Actor	0-230V	switch	Yes
10	STATOR	Motor	Actor	0-230V	switch	n/a
11	HEAT	Heat Pipe	Actor	0-230V	switch	No
12	HEAT	Heat Pipe	fix	NULL	fix	No
13	HIGH LVL	Max Water	Sensor	0-230V	binary...	n/a
14	DOOR ZERO	Door Closed	Sensor	0-230V	binary...	ZERO
15	LOW LVL	Min Water for Heat	Sensor	0-230V	binary...	n/a
16	TEMP SENSOR	Temperature Sensor / NTC / MCU	Sensor	0-3,3v	DAC	Yes
17	TEMP SENSOR	Temperature Sensor / NTC / MCU	Sensor	0-3,3v	DAC	yes
18	SPEED	Similar Hall	Sensor	0-3,3v	Digital ...	Yes
19	SPEED	Similar Hall	Sensor	0-3,3v	n/a	Yes
20	LINE	L-Live (Phase)	n/a	230V	n/a	n/a
21	ZERO	N -Naught (Null leiter)	n/a	NULL	n/a	n/a

Modified MadWashyMax

Hardware modification

Installing the new control board in the existing washing machine

Software integration

Control via Home Assistant with individual programs. Energy savings.

Location

The modified washing machine is in operation @Mariahilfer i



Follow-Ups & Spin-Offs

Open Digital Product Pass – ODPP

Examples of 4 household
appliances incl. MadWashyMax =>
in July check <http://odpp.at/>

Energy-optimized water heating

Real-time control for maximum
efficiency



Washing quality monitoring

StartUp idea for monitoring cleaning
performance

EnergyMate

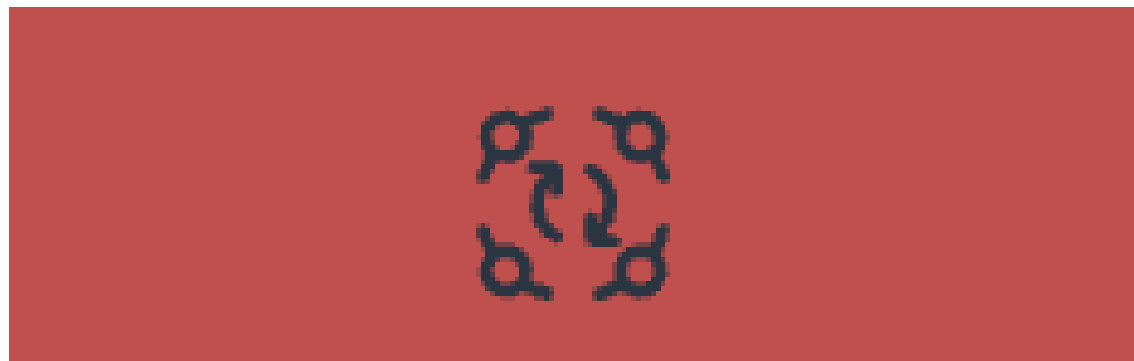
Control with dynamic electricity
prices (StartUp)

Future vision



Promoting sustainability

Extend the service life of household appliances. Washing machine => e-toothbrush => washing machine etc...



Build a community => <http://odpp.at/> (July)

Share knowledge and experiences.



Driving innovation forward

Develop new applications for existing technology. Which can be used TODAY by anyone!

Our project shows how we can use open source technology to reduce e-waste and create new business models at the same time



Tadaaaa!

Water
+ Turning
+ Pumping +
SmartHome!



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hsNMwX28xyA>

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- Strategieentwicklung und Umsetzung
- DPP / Digitaler Produktpass
- ODPP / Offener DPP
- Kintsugi Repair Cafe
- (u.a. Wohn Interieur)
- KI-Wissensmanagement





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JOIN US for v2, v3 & StartUps!

Get in touch and participate in our future projects
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Gorenje – CircThread Inspiration for ODPP!

D. (crimping!)

Kintsugi Repair Café (Space!)

CargoBike!

Gemma, CoPilot, etc. Cool AI Pictures raising the Adrenalin Levels!

Elektra and Nescafe Coffee machine

RuSZ: David & Dagmar – Aligning

Elektro Kuchling: Feedback of current sales practice & Inspiration on ReUse Ideas

Generic (!!!) Water Adapter from WaterFront lying around – you saved us!

!!! Let's keep up the great Work & Vibes!!!