### **Project Outline (Rough):**

- 1. Research other peoples arduino printers for inspiration
  - no need to be formal (e.g., notes); just browsing is fine
  - Make a sketch idea (no need to be formal again; just enough of an outline of big parts/ideas so you can fill in the blanks later)

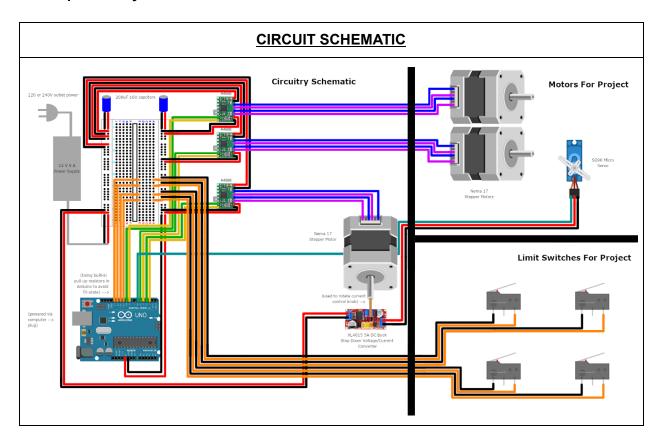
#### 2. Develop Circuitry

- Determine <u>exactly</u> what motors, micro controllers, power sources, limit switches\*,
  and writing utensils you want to use
  - Probably a usb power source (so you can interface w/ computer) + bic mechanical pencils for consistency and convenience
  - Maybe hook up movement motors and LED motor to separate power sources to prevent voltage variance while moving
- Wire up electronic components in a circuit simulator
- 3. Develop Robot body
  - CAD all parts of robot + circuitry and create an assembly
    - Download all premade models (e.g., arduino uno, bic pencils, etc.)
    - Make sure to keep wires in mind
    - Design body to be stable, but also portable (atleast to the extent that it can be disassembled to be brought back to the US)
    - \*Design body to be open on the bottom (allows for possible latter modification with carving lasers)
- 4. Program robot and \*run in simulator\*
  - Try to get your program to take dxf files (depth can correlate to pressure/opacity)
  - See if you can't find a super simple arduino sim online, otherwise just skip the simulation step
- 5. Print/Purchase parts and assemble robot in real life

#### **Notes/Comments:**

- Parts Lists
  - Anything that is highlighted in light green on your parts list you should ask if dad/mom can bring for you to denmark from home
  - You should try to source stuff locally where it makes sense (will likely be cheaper than what you find on Amazon)

# **Develop Circuitry:**



ELECTRICAL PARTS LIST					
Name	Quant.	Purpose	~ Cost		
Nema 17 stepper motors	3	XY actuation of drawing head + current regulator adjustment (purchase quant: 4)	<u>26\$</u>		
A4988 Stepper Motor Driver Module	3	Controlling Nema 17 stepper motors (purchase quant: 5; must purchase with heatsink; must calibrate before use)	<u>10\$</u>		
MUZHI SPDT 1NO 1NC Micro Limit Switch	4	Homing and limiting xy-stepper motors (purchase quant: 12; <u>CAD</u> )	6.50\$		
SG90 9g Micro Servo	1	Extruding and retracting pencil led at different pressures (purchase quant: 4)	10\$		
Arduino uno	1	Controlling Printer System	<u>18\$</u>		
breadboard	1	Wiring everything temporarily (purchase quant: 3)	<u>7\$</u>		
DC 12V 5A Power Supply	1	Powering project from wall socket	<u>13\$</u>		

Adapter			
100 μF Capacitors (V rating > 12 V)	2	Smoothing out current from power supply to motors (purchase quant: bulk variety)	10.50\$
Buck Step Down Voltage Converter	1	Controlling current/torque of DC motor (purchase quant: 2)	<u>7\$</u>
Wire	~	Wiring all components	<u>16\$</u>

### **Reddit Posts**

DC Motor Current Regulator

Circuitry Peer Review: Does this look like it should work?

# **Develop Robot Body:**

LED Choice: 0.7mm colored or black lead (See Colored Lead)

Extruder wheel: unchosen but max diameter = 1 in (<a href="lego wheels">lego wheels</a>?)

MECHANICAL PARTS LIST					
Name	Quant.	Purpose	~ Cost		
0.7 mm Colored Mechanical Pencil Lead	1	To provide multiple colors of pencil lead for printer	<u>11\$</u>		
30.4mm x 14mm Lego Wheel	1	To extrude and control lead while drawing	<u>21\$</u>		
M2 M3 M4 assorted nuts and bolts	1	For attaching parts and creating rotational joints	<u>20\$</u>		
M3x6mm Bolts	~	For attaching linear rails to makerbeams	<u>9\$</u>		
< 23.80mm lego technic axle	1	To provide a axle and alignment aid for construction of extruder wheel assembly	N/A		
300 mm Linear rails (q.3) and carriages (q.5)	3	To hold the extruder and print bed while moving	63\$ + 22\$		
Nema 17 6mm belt wheels and 6 mm 3D printer belt	~	To allow Nema 17 motors to drive printer belts (belt wheels) and to actuate the extruder and bed along the x and y axis (belt)	<u>15\$</u>		
Super glue	~	Sticking certain parts in assemblies together	~		
M5 bolts + lock nuts	2 each	Providing axle for 2nd belt gear (opposite of motor) in belt setup	~		
*machine lube (probably not necessary)	1	Reducing friction on moving parts (e.g., axles)	~		
HP P3015 Feed rollers	2	Moving paper back and forth perpendicular to the direction of the extruder	<u>35\$</u>		
3/16" Nylon Washers	8	To reduce friction between the print rollers and the bearings	<u>14\$</u>		
0.7 mm drill bit	1	Expanding 3D Printed Lead Holding Tube If Necessary	~		

Nema 17 Mounting brackets	2	Mounting Nema motors to printer body (quant. 5)	<u>14\$</u>
Makerbeam 100mm	16	General Structure	<u>22\$</u>
Makerbeam 600mm	2	Structure (mounting linear rails)	<u>27\$</u>
91290A258_Black-Oxide Alloy Steel Socket Head Screw	1	Axle for static belt gear mount	~
94645A102_High-Strength Steel Nylon-Insert Locknut	1	^hold everything on to axle for static belt gear mount	~
57155K469_Stainless Steel Ball Bearing	1	^allows static belt gear to spin	~
Makerbeam Nuts	50	Attaching pieces along makerbeam sides (compare price on makerbeam site (may be cheaper than Amazon))	20\$
3/4 in wood screws	8 min	Attaching printer structure to wood board (and maybe electronics too)	~

### Design to-do

- See if it is possible to make design only using 12 maker cubes (remember you can 3D print supports too)
- Look into moving belt print bed attachment under bed