Luminate – Electronics | 2017

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Objectives

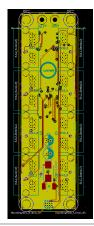
Design a surface mount PCB to control lighting strips in my dorm room and practice my PCB design skills

Create an **interface** to control the lighting strips easily from my laptop. Map different colors, patterns, and brightness for different programs & settings

Proof of Concept

KiCAD PCB software used to design both boards used in the project

A **Raspberry Pi** (RPi) was used as the centralized controller for the system which allowed me to control settings from my laptop





Approach

I made adding light strips as **easy as possible** by using phone connectors to connect the lights to the centralized boards. This also meant the system was modular and the cables could be physically disconnected from the





Example of satellite connects used in different parts of my room

Results

Final boards integrated and used in my room, controlled off a centralized RPi







