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# Team D7 : PianoMan

18500: Project Proposal Presentation



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# Introduction

A self-learning tool for Piano players.

Reads sheet music of song, then lights up LED system using a teaching module for that song.





# Use Cases

Piano Man

Arranged and Transcribed by  
William Cramer

Words and Music by  
Billy Joel

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

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- **Problem Area** : How to make Piano learning more fun and cost efficient ?
- Allows users to scan sheet music of a song and learn to play that song by watching the LEDs
- Will combine Signal Processing (pattern recognition for OMR), Computer Systems and Hardware systems

# Requirements and Challenges

- **OMR (Optical Music Recognition)**

- Requires an ideal scan of a sheet music to convert it to a data structure
  - Little noise, PDF, edges of image are edges of paper, horizontal lines are horizontal, one treble, one bass clef alternating
- Use OpenCV in Python
- Convert music data captured to MusicXML



Here it is in MusicXML:

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
<!DOCTYPE score-partwise PUBLIC
"-//Recordare//DTD MusicXML 3.0 Partwise//EN"
"http://www.musicxml.org/dtds/partwise.dtd">
<score-partwise version="3.0">
  <part-list>
    <score-part id="P1">
      <part-name>Music</part-name>
    </score-part>
  </part-list>
  <part id="P1">
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          <step>C</step>
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        </pitch>
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        <type>whole</type>
      </note>
    </measure>
  </part>
</score-partwise>
```

- **Sheet music data structure in the microcontroller**

- Output form of OMR -MusicXML sent through wifi
- Note class - Keys pressed and Time duration/delay



# Requirements and Challenges

- **Raspberry Pi and Arduinos (Microcontrollers)**

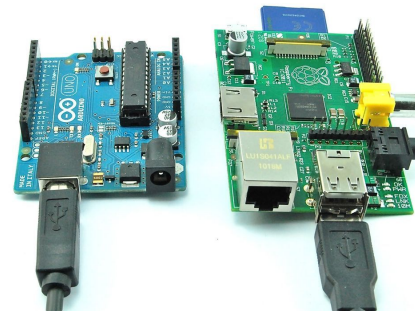
- Power requirements: +5.1V micro USB supply for Raspberry Pi 3
- Wifi configuration setup

- **LEDs system**

- Piano white keys are 23.5 mm wide and black keys are 13.7 mm wide. LEDs circuit must be customized to fit these requirements. Each LED coded to one key in the piano.
- The teaching module should be designed such that each key press is preceded by the LED light indicator in some useful way

- **Teaching Module**

- Output from keyboard/MIDI (user input)
- Should be able to check if the user played the sheet music correctly or not
- Give feedback to users



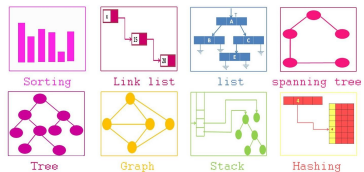
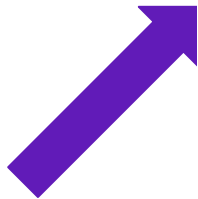
# Solution Pipeline

Arranged and Transcribed by William Croover  
Piano Man  
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Two staves of musical notation for Piano Man, showing piano and piano accompaniment parts.



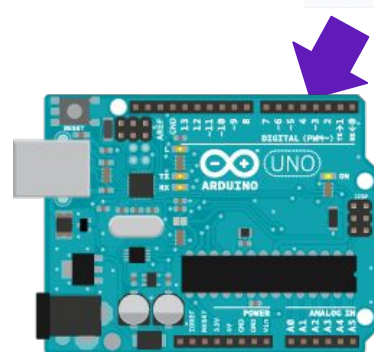
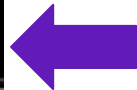
Large musical notes (C, D, E, F, G, A, B, C) and chord symbols (b, #) representing the melody.



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          <type>quarter</type>
        </measure>
      </part>
    </score-partwise>
  
```

Representation of middle C on the treble clef created through MusicXML code.



# Solution Approach - OMR Side

## ● OMR

- OpenCV - Python for finding the characters on the sheet music
- Going to take an ideal scan of sheet music (horizontal lines, little to no noise, binary)
- Determine pitch and duration of each note
- Put this data into a MusicXML file (becoming a standard in the music world).

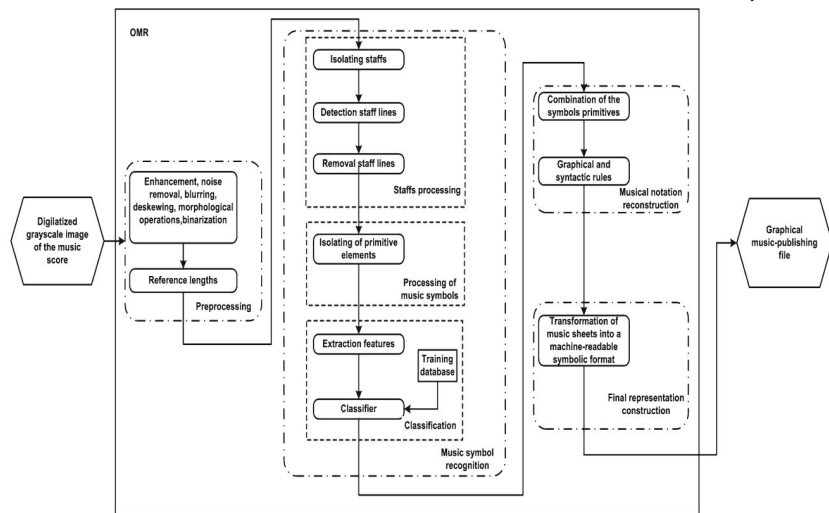


Fig. 1 Typical architecture of an OMR processing system

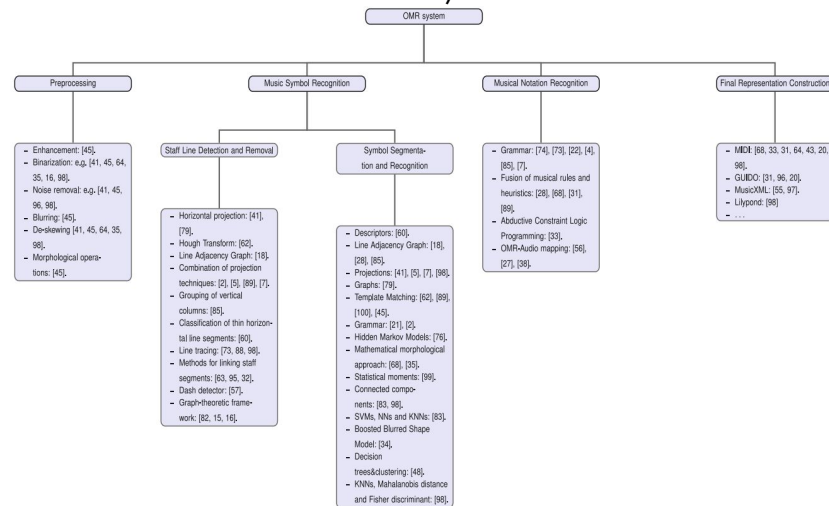
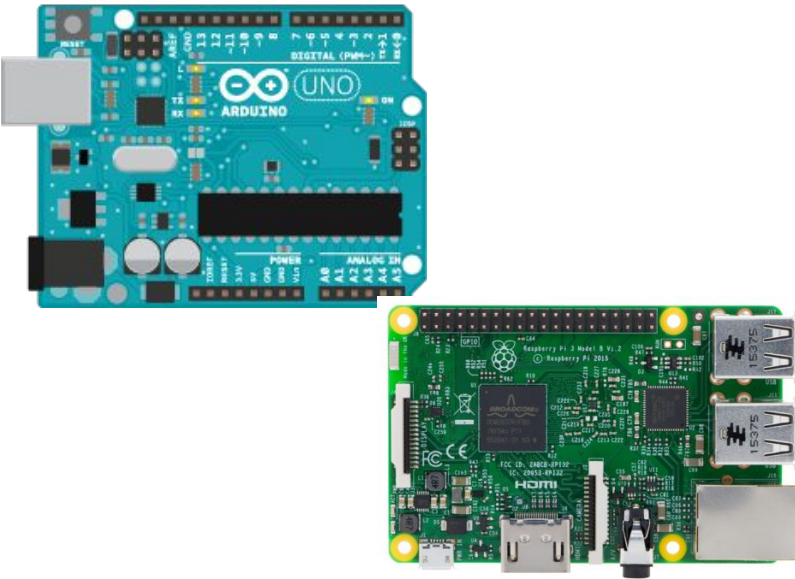


Fig. 8 Summary of the most used techniques in an OMR system



# Solution Approach - Hardware Side

- Receive parsed MusicXML file data
- Convert to data for LEDs
  - Position and duration
- Use MIDI to check for user correctness





# Testing, Verification & Metrics

## 1. Optical Music Recognition (OMR)

**Data:** Ideal scans of sheet music from MuseScore (<https://musescore.com>)

**Test:**

1. (a) Use SoundSlice (<https://www.soundslice.com>) to convert OMR's output MusicXML file to PDF  
(b) Use Notation Software (<https://www.notation.com>) to play OMR's output MIDI file
2. Check the difference between original PDF and converted PDF/played MIDI file

## 2. Raspberry Pi/Arduino - LEDs

**Data:** MusicXML/MIDI files from MuseScore (<https://musescore.com>)

**Test:**

1. Test if the microcontroller can successfully transfer data to LEDs
2. LEDs light up correctly according to the design requirements

## 3. User testing

**Data:** Classmates

**Test:**

1. Let them learn basic songs from MuseScore and collect feedback

# Tasks and Division of Labor

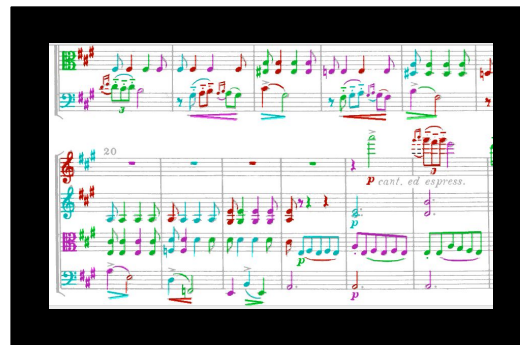


**Surbhi**

Hardware system  
setup

**Lizzy**

Optical Music  
Recognition



**Vanessa**

Transition of data

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<score-partwise version="1.0"?>
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    <score-part id="P1">
      <part-name>Music/part-name</part-name>
    </score-part>
  </part-list>
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      </key>
      <tempo>
        <type>quarter</type>
      </tempo>
    </measure>
  </part>
</score-partwise>
```

Representation of middle C on the 4th line of the staff through MIDI code.

# Schedule - First Half

Task Name	Jan 13							Jan 20							Jan 27							Feb 3							Feb 10						
	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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Abstract Document																																			
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Planning (+Slack) Testing																																			
Test OpenCV for functionality																																			
Create data structures for sheet music																																			
Be able to find staff lines																																			
Be able to remove staff lines effectively without removing notes																																			
Be able to find connected components																																			
Be able to perform basic template matching on easy notes																																			
Be able to find note heads for any component (could have multiple)																																			
Evaluate duration for connected components																																			
Evaluate pitch for all noteheads																																			
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Receive user input as a MIDI file																																			
Evaluate using MIDI file and MusicXML file																																			
Create a score system for feedback																																			
<b>Hardware System</b>																																			
Setup LED matrix / Arduino + Testing																																			
Connect Arduino to Raspberry Pi system + testing																																			
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Test LED lighting system																																			
Integration with Middle man																																			

