

# AUDIOARC

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An audio modulated plasma speaker  
with realtime system monitoring  
in a safe, consumer-friendly package

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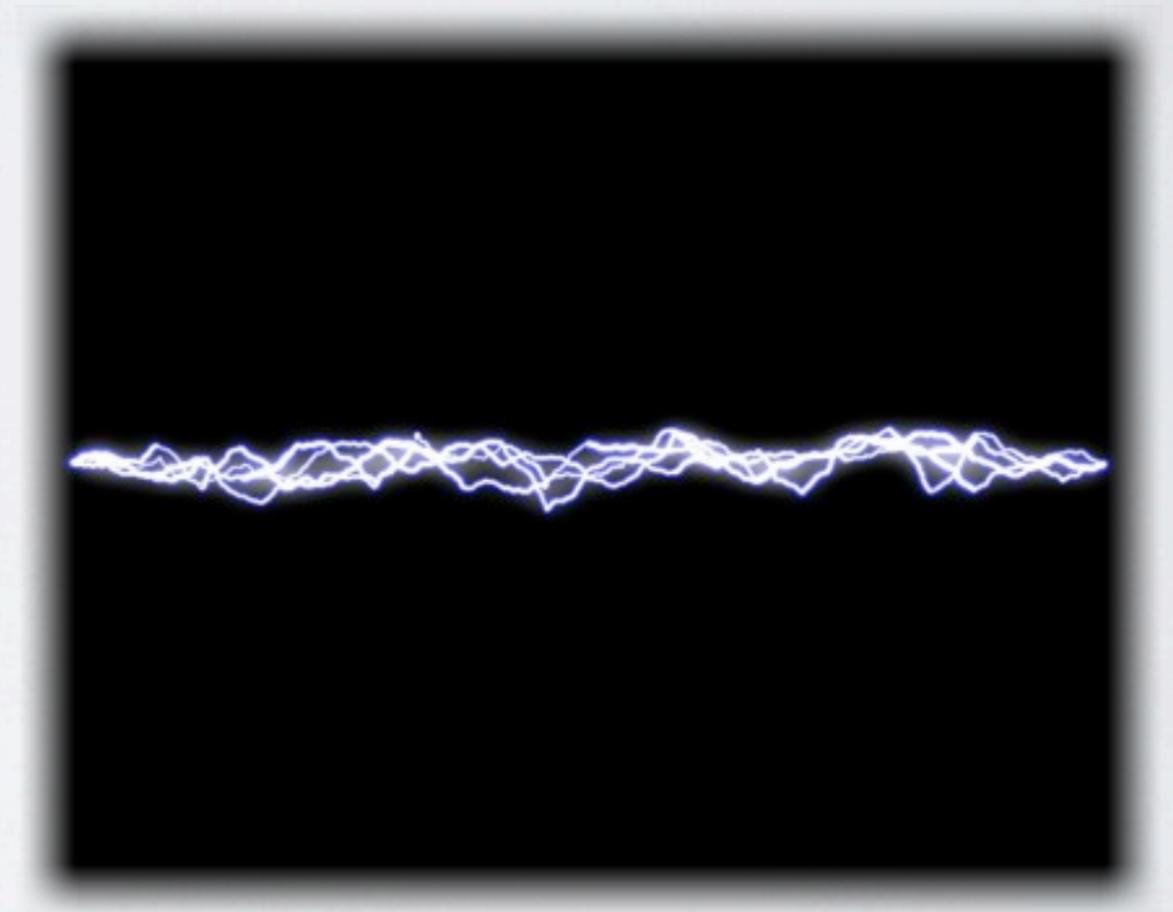
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# CONCEPT

- High-voltage source generates visible plasma arc
- Modulating current across arc causes plasma to expand and contract
- Surround air propagates these variations as compression waves, perceived as sound



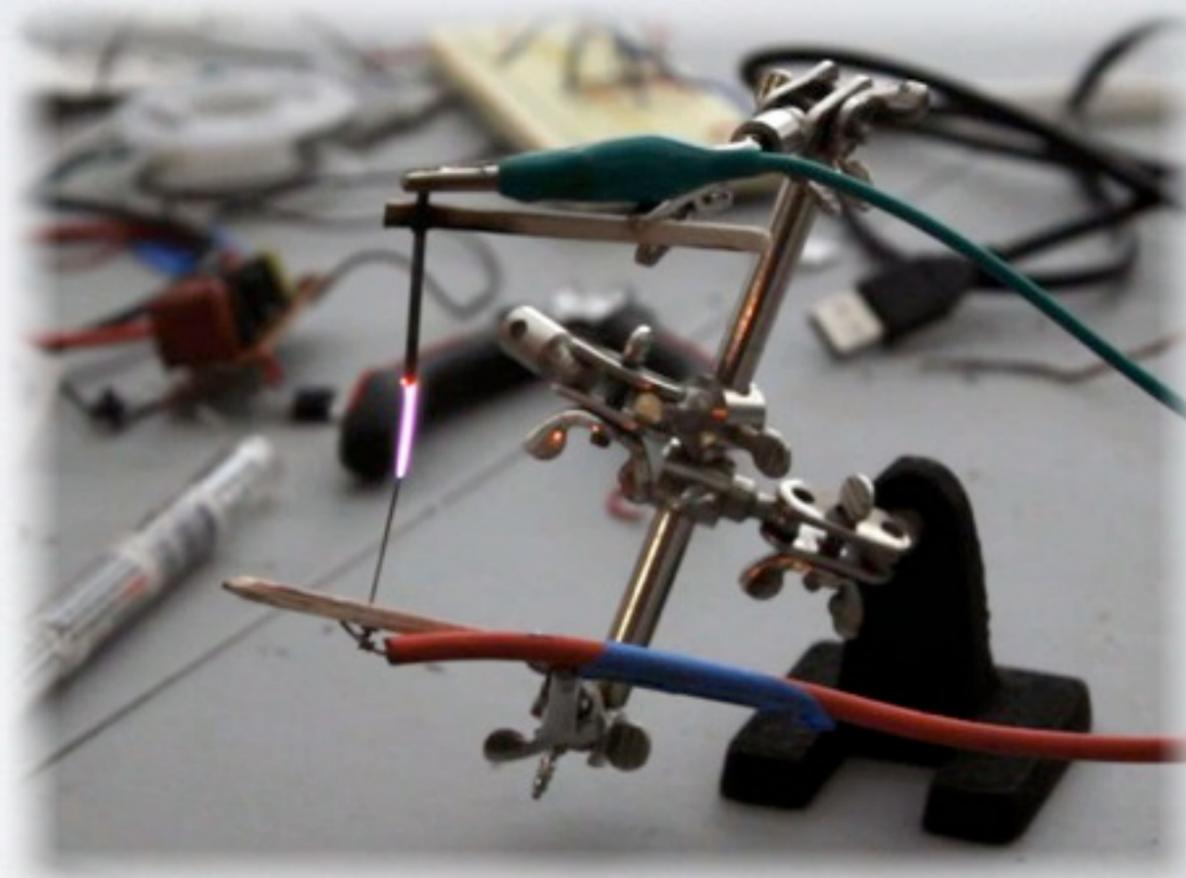
# MOTIVATION



- Unique, innovative, and visually appealing
- Effectively massless driver provides higher fidelity reproduction than typical speakers
- No commercially available plasma speakers currently on the market
- Will provide protection from accidental hazards associated with high-voltage arc

# COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS

- Numerous websites and individuals have built unfinished plasma speakers
- Current prototypes not well packaged or protective from shock
- Available kits cost upwards of \$400 and are too dangerous for average consumers



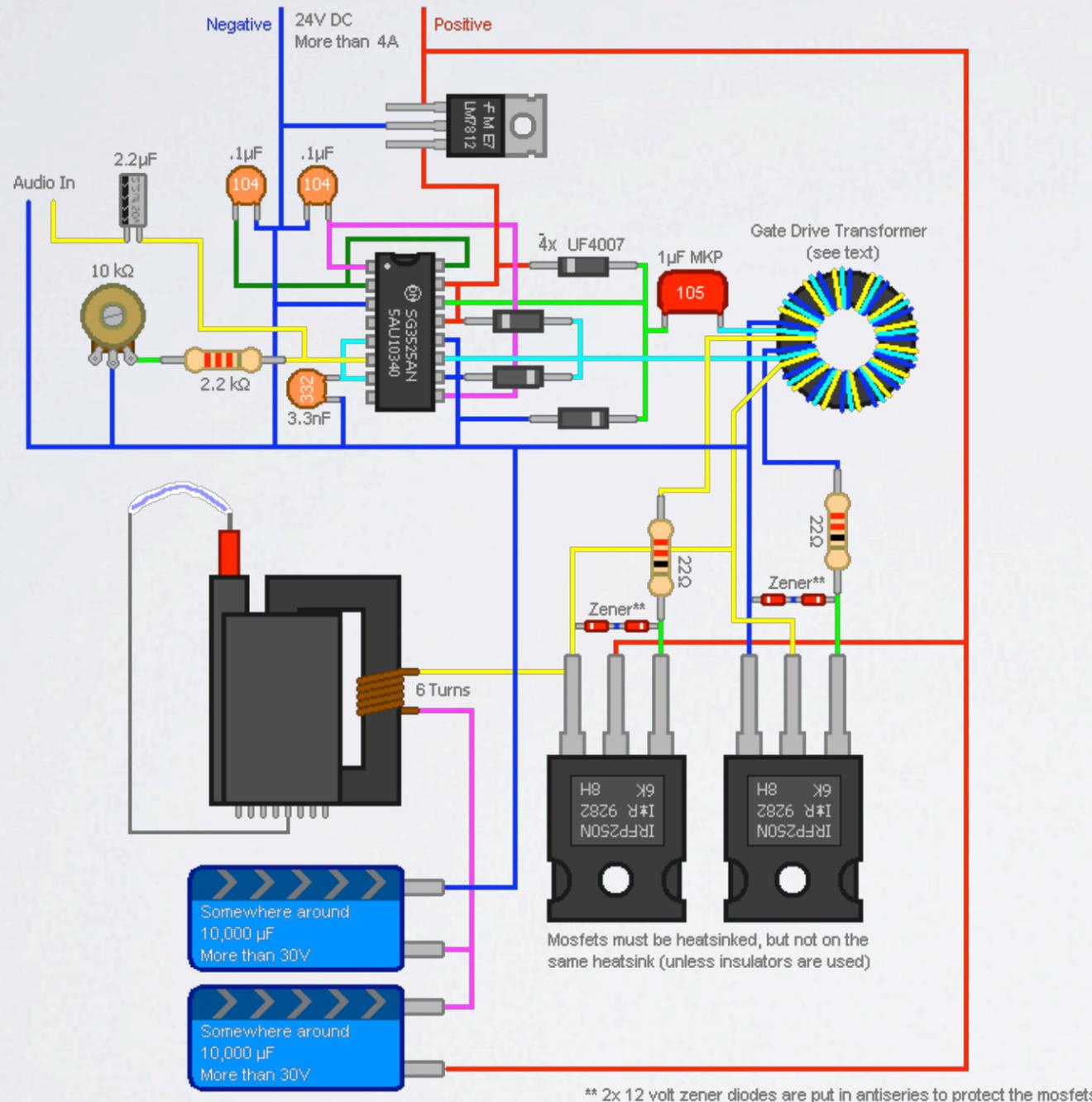
# REQUIREMENTS

- Able to connect any audio source using standard 3.5mm mini-jack connector
- Active monitoring of temperature and current with control system
- Fully enclosed or actively protected arc without sacrificing acoustic fidelity
- Display audio statistics (volume, equalizer, etc.)

# TECH SPECS

- Dual load-balanced 200V 30A MOSFETs with dual 12V protection zener diodes
- ATMEGA328 microcontroller
- SG3525AN modulator IC
- 24V 4.5A AC/DC power supply
- Optically isolated audio input
- Potentiometer-tunable flyback resonant driving frequency
- Serial OLED graphic display

# ARCHITECTURE



Other components...

**ATMEGA328 MCU**

**Temperature Sensors**

**Current Sensor**

**Serial Display**

# RISK MITIGATION

- Prevent over voltage or temperature
- Use temperature and current sensors for monitoring
- Monitor amplitude and condition the input signal to regulate the volume and avoid problems



QUESTIONS?