

Team 9

Tactile Image Display

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Progress

- Finalized pin design and mounting ideas
- Designed startup/reset sequence
- Developed test cases
- Improved webapp speed

Performance Test 1

Requirement: Image shall be translated to bit matrix within 5 seconds

Use Case: Submit image to user interface (webapp), generate bit matrix to transmit

Metric: Speed of image conversion to bit matrix (runtime)

Why metric matters: Image has to be correctly translated within a reasonable time frame

Test Sequence:

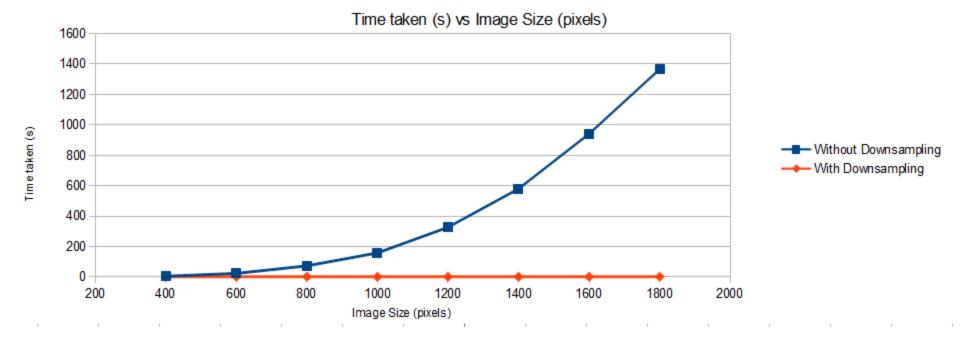
- Submit image to webapp
- 2. Measure runtime taken to translate image
- 3. Repeat for 9 more images and take average runtime

Parameters: Optimization of image processing algorithm, size of image (kept constant)

Configuration/Deployment issues: None as of yet (test should be further expanded once bluetooth communication is working).

Known problems: None as of yet.

Results: Performing downsampling first instead of after the conversion to a binary matrix results in an improvement in overall runtime (<2 sec vs 1600+ sec)



Reliability Test

Requirement: Device shall be consistent between uses with a deviation of less than 5%

Use Case: User prints out a lot of images before resetting device.

Metric: Amount of deviation of a static pattern after many uses.

Why metric matters: Device should be consistent between multiple uses.

Test Sequence:

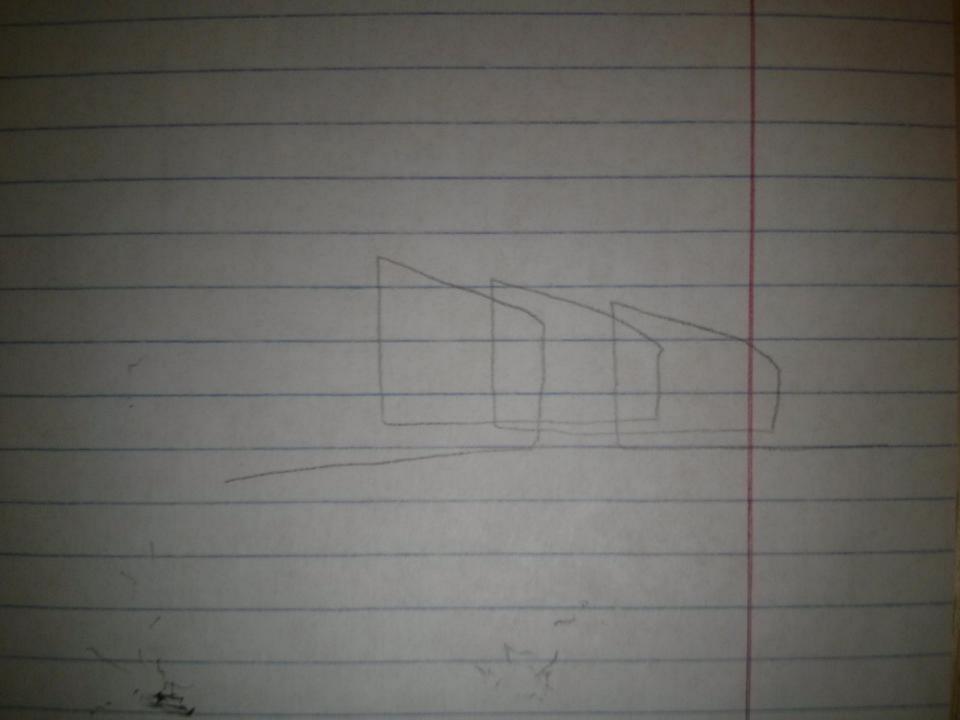
- 1. Power device up and allow reset to finish.
- 2. Attach a pencil (instead of actuator for now)
- 3. Repeat a square pattern for 20 iterations
- 4. Measure amount of deviation compared to original position

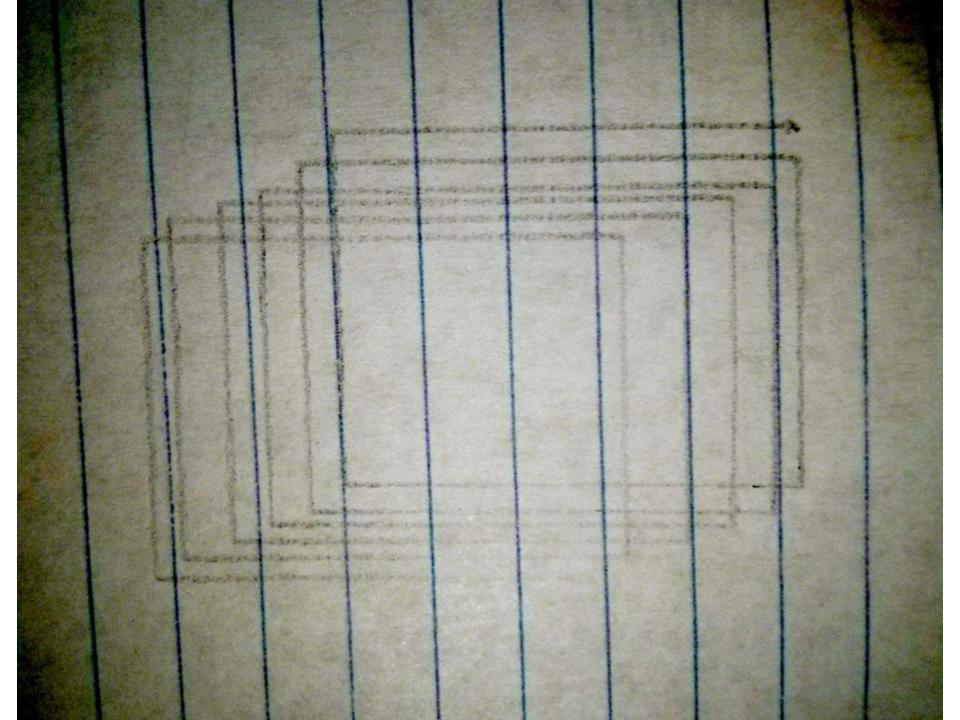
Parameters: Number of iterations

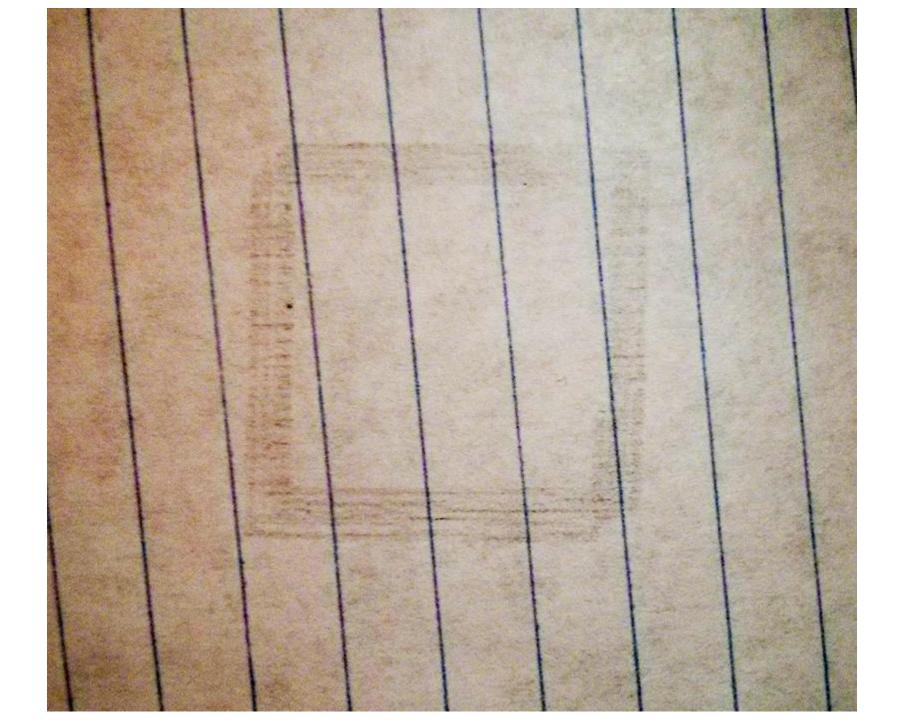
Configuration/Deployment issues: None as of yet.

Known problems: Stability of pencil may affect measurements of deviation - secure pencil as tightly as possible.

Results: Device is reasonably consistent with a maximum recorded deviation of 4.3% (1mm/23mm) as compared to its original position







Power-Up Test

Requirement: Device shall reset to a known location on startup

Use Case: User starting device up.

Metric: Distance between ideal start position of harness heads and actual head position after reset.

Why metric matters: Device has to start from a known position before every image is printed; the distance between ideal start position and actual position thus has to be kept small (not more than the size of a pin head).

Test Sequence:

- Plug in motor power supply.
- 2. Plug in Arduino power supply to start device.
- 3. Wait for harness heads to stop moving.
- 4. Measure distance between ideal start position and actual harness head position.

Parameters: None (basic pass/fail test like smoke test)

Configuration/Deployment issues: Mechanical setbacks (switch position).

Known problems: Mechanical setbacks (switch position).

Results: None as of now (switch has to be correctly installed first).

Semester Plan

- Get Bluetooth communication working
- Further expand test cases
- Implement graceful startup (needs to be tested) and shutdown
- Install pin array and repeat tests with actuator (where applicable)