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ColorAid

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE



- Motivation
- Project Description
- System Overview
- High Level System Design
- Functional Specifications
- Business Approach
- Budget and Timeline
- Future Work and Conclusion
- Acknowledgement
- References
- Questions
- Demo

MOTIVATION

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ABOUT COLOR VISION

- Vision is one of the five senses humans rely on to interpret information from the environment
- The eye allows us vision through different cells called rods and cones which are located in the retina
- The rods are in charge of light perception, and they are responsible for night vision. The cones are in charge of color perception



ABOUT COLOR VISION

- Normally, there are three types of cones, each containing a different pigment, that reacts to one of three wavelengths of light: red, green and blue
- The brain combines the information from the three receptors to give rise to different perceptions of color



ABOUT COLOR VISION

When at least one of these three cone receptors is defective or absent, the individual experiences color blindness

- There are different types of color deficiency. Dichromacy, trichromacy and monochromacy
- Color deficiency is most commonly caused by a genetic mutation, but it can also occur because of aging or some eye, nerve, or brain damage

























CHALLENGES

The world in which we live is not colorblind friendly.

People with color deficiency encounter challenges on a day to day basis.

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CHALLENGING FIELDS

- Pharmacy/chemistry
- Medical doctor, lab technician
- Dentistry, dental technician
- Nursing
- Film
- Photography
- Arts/painting
- Interior design
- Graphic design
- Game design
- Fashion
- Web Site Developers and Designers (color scheme)

- Teacher (color related tasks) Architect
- Atmospheric scientists
- Geological engineers, geoscientist.
- Army, fighter pilot, infantry, special forces, artillery, jobs that not involve combat arms Truck, taxi drivers
- Jewels

SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM

Given this problem, Alnair Innovations has taken the steps needed to aid the individuals with color vision deficiency by developing a device called *ColorAid*.

COLORAID

ColorAid is a portable device to aid with color recognition.

- It uses high sensitivity color sensor with filter-coated photodiodes to sample the reflected light from objects.
 - The data is analyzed and converted into digital RGB readings.
 - Through an LCD screen the user can view the name of the color sampled, the RGB, and color match.

COLORAID

ColorAid is an excellent tool that can help not only people suffering from a genetic color deficiency, but also individuals that have lost some color perception due to the aging process or damage.

- Given the versatility of *ColorAid*, it can be taken anywhere, and it is designed to be used in daily activities not only by adults but by children, parents and teachers.
- **ColorAid** will help people to face life with more confidence, assisting them in their daily tasks, and not only giving them assurance of what they see, but also allowing them to live an independent life with accurate knowledge of the colors that surround them.



System Block Diagram

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Inputs: Color Sensor (ADJD-S311), User Push Buttons

MCU: Arduino Mega 2560 (ATMega2560)

Output: LCD display (Nokia 6100)





• Pin Layout of Sensor to MCU, Display unit to MCU







TOP-LAYER PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Flow Chart



Pseudo-Code

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- 3. Main Menu selection

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WHY ARDUINO?

Microcontroller Manufacture

- Freescale
- Intel
- Atmel
- PIC
- Texas Instruments Toshiba

Strong Features

- Provide open source software, No need to pay license fee
- C/C++ compatible
- Cheap Price



ARDUINO SOFTWARE CODE SAMPLE void setup() 1 Serial.begin(9600); // Initialize Sensor Unit Wire begin(): pinMode (ModeSensorLED, OUTPUT); powerOnReset(); delay(10); initGainReg(); // Initialize LCD Arduino^{alpha} ioinit(); //Initialize ARM I/O LCDInit(); //Initialize the LCD //--c LCDContrast(44); LCDClear(BLACK); LCDPrintLogo(); An open project written, debugged and supported by Massimo Banzi, David Cuartielles, Tom Igoe // Determine if color is masked to be display or for (int i = 0; i < 12; i += 4) Gianluca Martino and David Mellis £ . Based on processing by Casey Reas and Ben Fry // see if the color is masked. If it is, displa if (EEPROM.read(i) == 1) { color mask location[j] = i; //keep track of t album data++; // increment the counter by 1 ColorTable(EEPROM.read(i+1), EEPROM.read(i+2), EEPROM.read(i+3)); color name[j] = colorName; j++; 3 3 delay(2000); //delay 2 second LCDClear(BLACK); DrawMainPage(top_menu_count); // display initial menu }

COLOR SENSING UNIT

• The color sensing unit is responsible for the actual color detection. The main component of this portion of the device is Avago's ADJD-S311-CR999 RGB digital color sensor module.

• This device operates via reflective color sensing, which means that the color sensor will detect the light reflected from the surface of the object sampled in order to recognize the color.







Spectral response when the gains for all the color channels are set equal

COLOR SENSING UNIT

ADJD-S311-CR999 color sensor module operates with 2-wire serial communication, which allows the chip to interface with the central processing unit.

- In order to set the gain of each channel, the module provides two independent gain parameters that can be adjusted: number of capacitor and integration time.
- The higher the number of capacitor, the lower the sensitivity.
- Low integration times corresponds to low time to sense, as longer time will result more photons to be sensed

CALIBRATION

• In the development of the project, we experimented with three types of calibration sources:

- White LED (6500K color temperature)
- Halogen light source (6500K color temperature)
- White paper
- We obtained better results using white paper calibration as indicated in the datasheet of the Color Sensor.
 - One time calibration for the values of capacitors with white paper
 - Calibration for integration time is performed every time a color is sampled



USER INTERFACE UNIT

• The user interface unit consists of a color LCD, three push-buttons and a power switch.

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- The power switch is used to turn the unit on or off.
- The color LCD displays the menu
 - Sampling the color of an object
 - Storing the color obtained
 - Accessing saved colors
 - Color matching feature
 - Battery meter

The three push-buttons are the following: "OK" button, "MODE" button, and "BACK" button.



FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

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Physical Requirements

- Dimensions: 15 cm x 9 cm x 3.5 cm
- Weight: 300g
- **Electrical Requirements**
 - Battery: 9V
- **Usability Requirements**
- Area to be sampled: 1 cm x 1 cm
- **Reliability Test**
 - 7 hours

BUSINESS ASPECTS

• Who needs *ColorAid*?

- Competition?
- Comparison

WHO NEEDS COLORAID?

- Color Deficiency
- Those who have increasing difficulty of recognizing color from aging
- Those who need precise values for color


COLOR DEFICIENCY IN NORTH AMERICA: POPULATION

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North American Color Deficiency Ratio

Trichromacy Dichromacy Monochromacy Normal Vision



Type of Color Deficiency	Population	
Red-Green (overall)		9
Normal Vision		91

North American Color Deficiency Ratio

Male Red-Green (overall) Normal Vision



* The numbers in the table above are approximations to actual numbers, as of 2008.

COLOR DEFICIENCY IN NORTH AMERICA: POPULATION

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Color deficients in the Rest of the world?

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Dichromacy	33,309,397
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iPhone: Applications

Features include:

- Detect color
- Clear view of the surface detected

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• Possibility of more applications

iPhone: Applications **Chromatic Glass**





iPhone: Applications Chromatic Glass





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How much is an iPhone?

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How much is an iPhone? How many in the world can afford it?



Colorimeters and spectrometers



Product: ColorTest Standard

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Colorimeters and spectrometers



Product: **ColorTest Standard** Features include:

- •Senses over 1,000 nuances of color.
- •Speaks in a clear, human voice.
- •Three operation buttons.
- •Built-in speaker.

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Price: ???

Colorimeters and spectrometers

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PRODUCT: **COLORTEST STANDARD** FEATURES INCLUDE:

- •SENSES OVER 1,000 NUANCES OF COLOR.
- •SPEAKS IN A CLEAR, HUMAN VOICE.
- •THREE OPERATION BUTTONS.
- •BUILT-IN SPEAKER.

Price: \$670 !!!

COLORAID







COLORAID



- Color Sensor detects 30 bit RGB value
- Color LCD display of the name of the color
- Save upto three colors detected
- User friendly interface
- 9V Battery/USB powered
- In development,
 - × Language options: English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese and etc.
 - Increased number of colors that can be saved
 - Color matching (Demo implemented)



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Large scale Production	Cost
25 units	\$66
100 units	\$54.5
1,000 units	\$45.5

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COST BREAKDOWN

	prototype	Mass production			
Quantity	1	25	100	1000	10000
sensor	20	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
lcd	40	30	20	13	13
Microprocessor	72	11	11	11	11
switches	6.5	4.5	3	1	1
case	13	13	13	13	13
Total	151.5	66	54.5	45.5	45.5

* The price of the Microprocessor decreased drastically because the prototype required a development kit.



Cost

iPhone vs. ColorTest Standard vs. ColorAid

× \$500 vs. \$??? vs. ~\$??

Market

North America and the Rest of the World





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* \$500 vs. \$670 vs. \sim \$50

- Market
 - North America and the Rest of the World
 - Direct approach to medical professionals



Projected timeline and actual timeline for designing and development

FUTURE WORK

- Fully implement Color Wizard feature
- Acquire LCD screen with better color accuracy and resolution
- Increase the number of colors that can be stored
- Creation more completed database for color name
- Build our own PCB Layer and mount ATMega2560 chip to reduce size and also reduce power consumption

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- Add better quality push buttons
- Make device smaller and lighter
- Include language option: English, Chinese, Korean, Japanese and other.

CONCLUSION

Portable *ColorAid* Device

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- Colour Sensor
- Arduino Micro-Controller
- LCD unit
- Interpersonal Skills
- Team work
- Problem Solving Skills
- No Boundaries for Knowledge

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DEMO COLORAID



START UP & DEMO WIZARD

DEMO COLORAID



DEMO ALBUM I

DEMO ALBUM II

DEMO COLORAID

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DEMO SAVE 2

DEMONSTRATION

• **Analog:** Analog colors are those that lie on either side of any given color. Analog colors are harmonious and give a natural feel.

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- **Complement:** Complementary colors those located opposites in the color wheel. They are contrasting and usually used to highlight.
- **Triad:** Triad colors are three hues equidistant in the color wheel, which provide a balanced and colorful combination of colors.

