

# Final Project Review

Sync-In  
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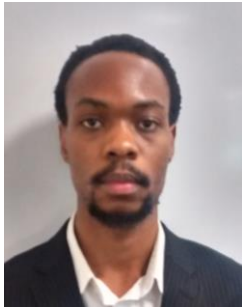
## Sync-In



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## Agenda

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- Project Overview
- Specifications
- FPR Deliverables
- Demo

## Sync-In Overview

- Broadcast audio from one set of headphones to many in a local area via WiFi
- Independent of Internet connection or phone data plan
- Various applications
- Social – Bring together strangers in unfamiliar situations through music
- Conferences/Events – Broadcast translations in multiple languages



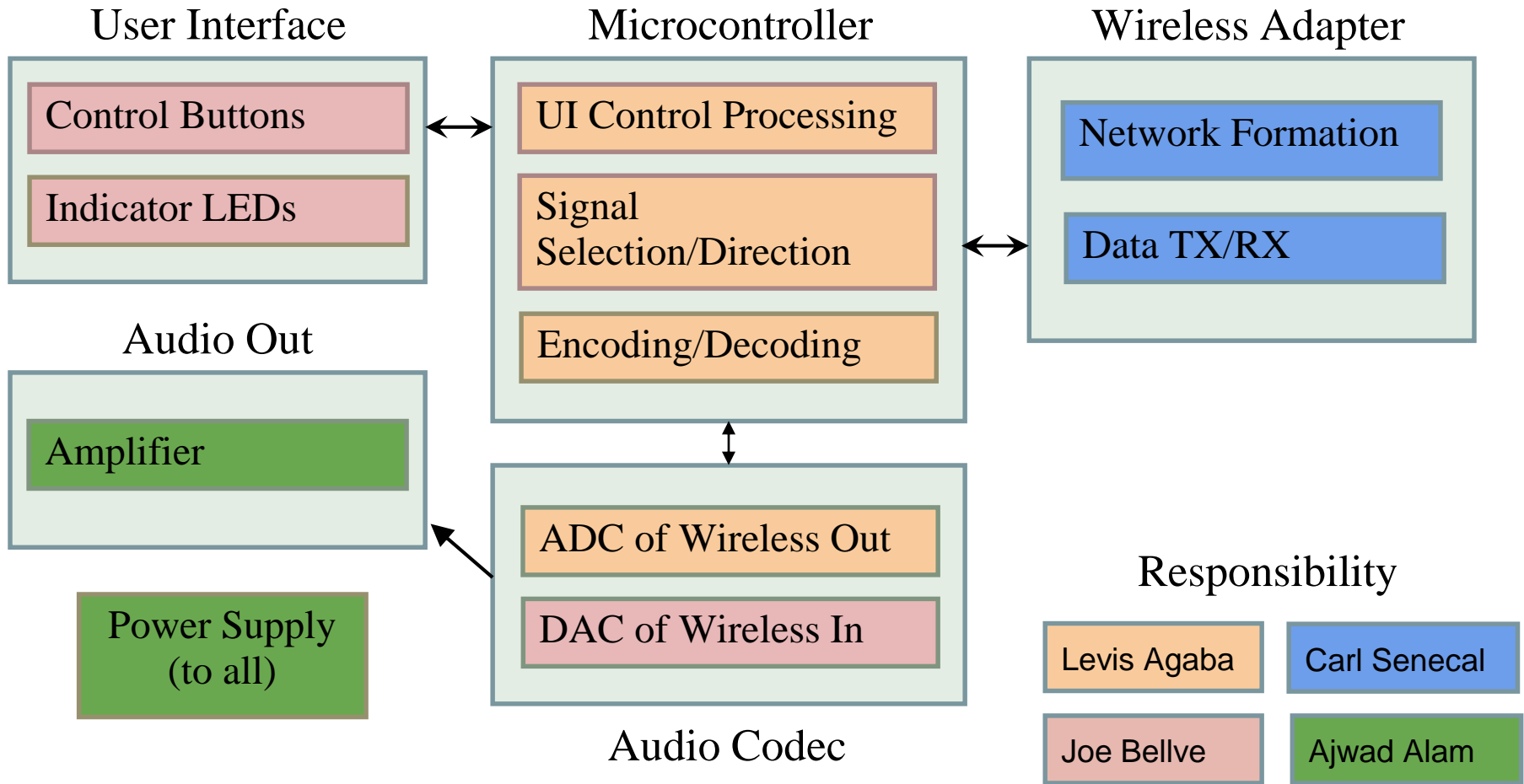
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# Block Diagram



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- Two-channel audio amplification
- Partially integrated mobile power supply
- One-to-one board communication and one-to-one group formation
- Audio communication between two boards

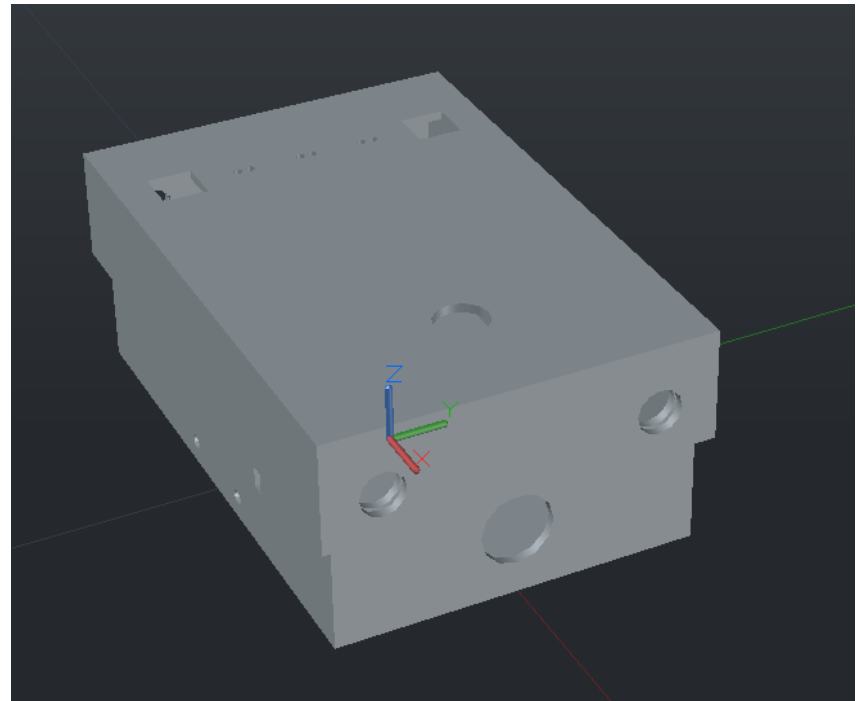
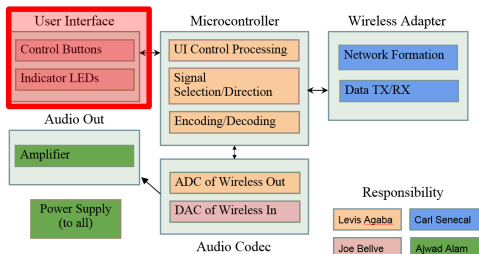


## FPR Deliverables

<b>Deliverable</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Achieved</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Multi-Person Groups	Carl	Yes	Transceiver Mode
Audio Broadcast	Carl	No	Tx/Rx functions incomplete; API problems
PCB Development	Joe	Yes	
Enclosure	Joe	Yes	Larger than planned
Power supply to all subsystems	AJ	Yes	
Audio Quality Improvement	Levis	Yes	192 kbps

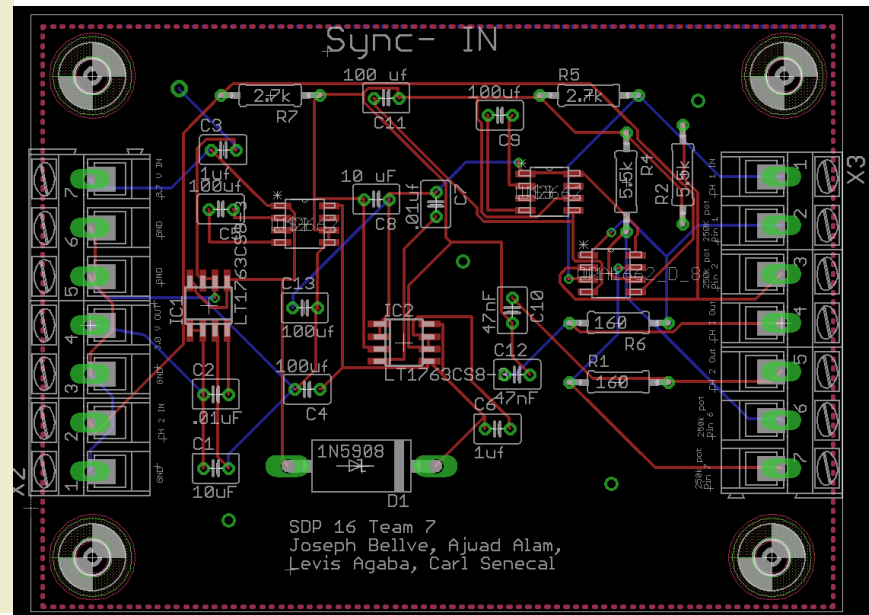
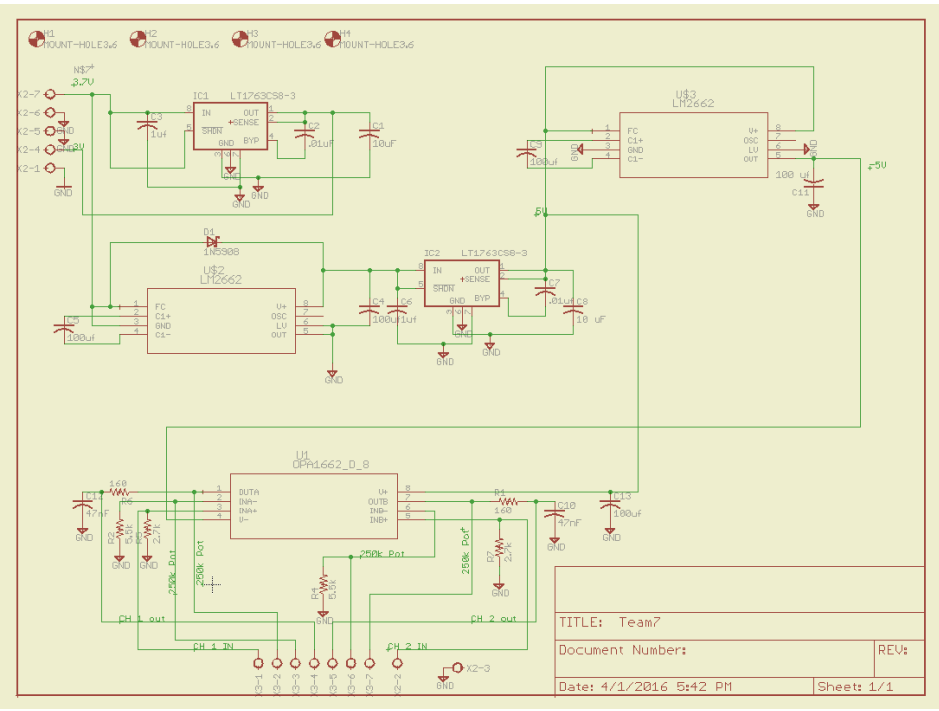
## Subsystem 1: User Interface

- Built the Housing in AutoCAD2016 Student edition
- 3D printed at Digital Media Lab in W.E.B. Du Bois Library
- Has two buttons which control the state.
- Has 3 LED's that notify the user of the current state.



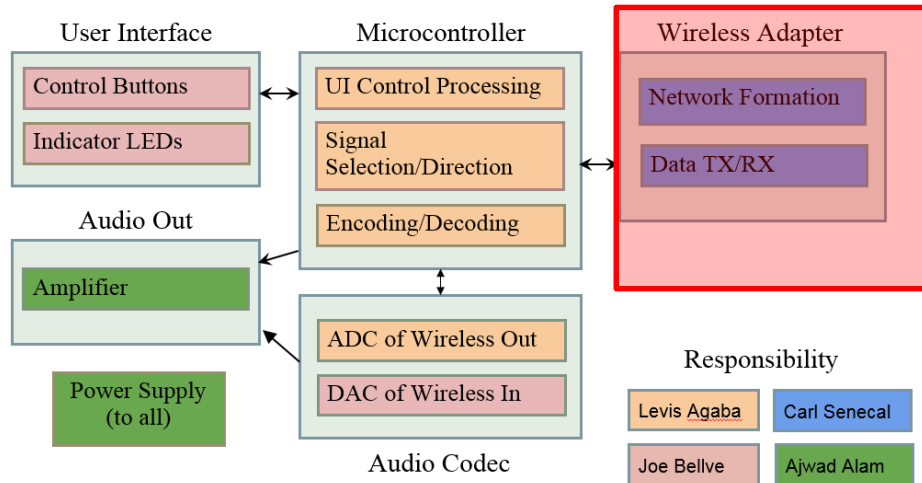
# Printed Circuit Board

- Built on Eagle
- Manufactured by OSH Park

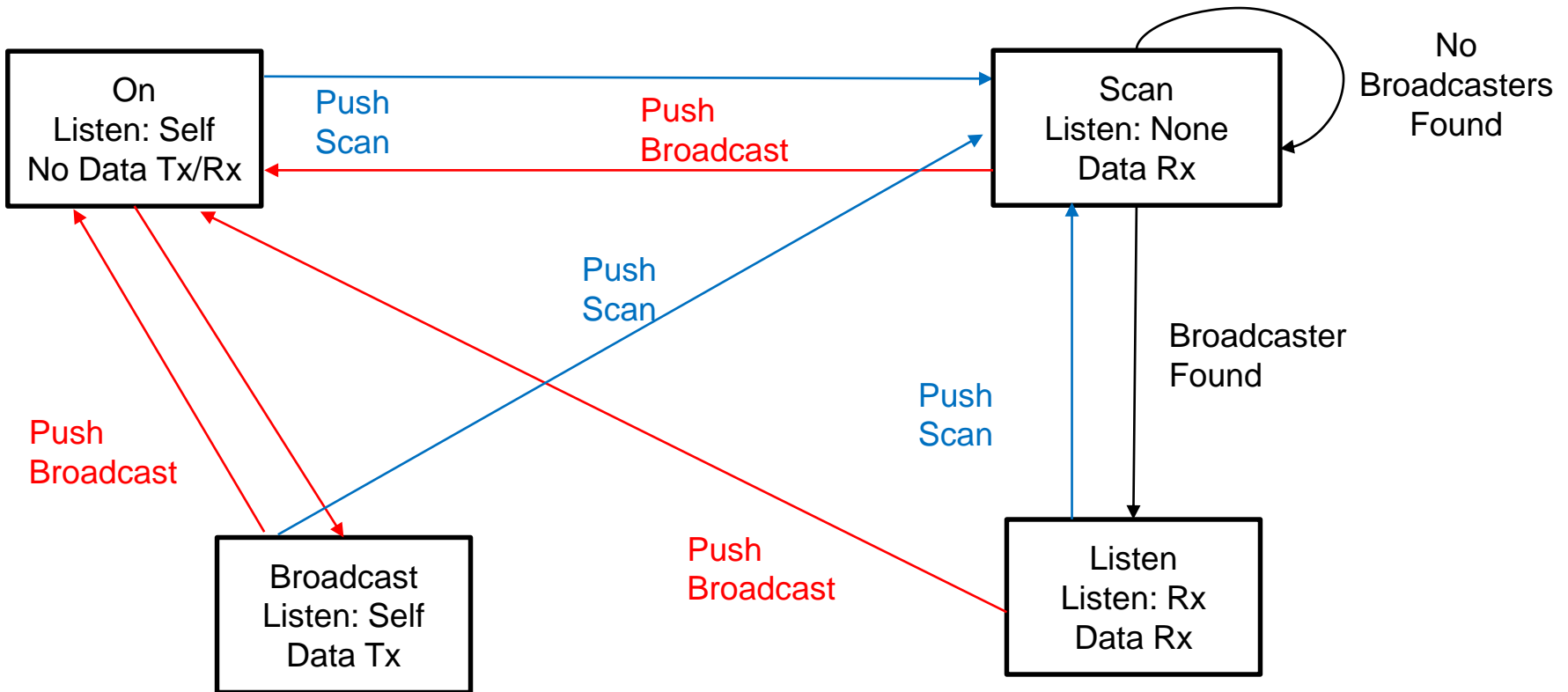


## Subsystem 2: Networking

- System supports full one-to-one communication
- Listeners can scan and choose between different transmitters
- Can broadcast (one-to-many) data, but not audio



# State Diagram



## Code

- System Thread      Monitors for network events
- I/O Event Thread    Watches for and processes button presses
- Audio In Thread     Depending on state, forwards line in to a socket, places line in in the play buffer, or does nothing
- Audio Out Thread    Depending on state, listens for audio data on a socket and places that data in the playback buffer or does nothing
- Networking Thread    Configures board in Access Point or Station mode and handles network connection events

## Code Flow

- Initialization: Board Setup, Pin Setup, UART Setup, Thread Creation (System, I/O Event, Audio In, Audio Out), Thread Launch
- Board loops back audio until a button is pressed
- Button Handler starts AP or STATION thread and sets flags for use by the Audio In and Audio Out threads according to a state machine
- AP/STATION thread configures soft AP with SSID, key, operating channel, transmission strength, connection policy, handles connection to AP, assigns IP addresses, creates socket for Audio Tx/RX, handles all network events like device connection and disconnection

## Subsystem 2: Networking

- Challenges: API Limitations and Transmission Rates
- Broadcasting
  - CC3200 AP Mode Supports only 1 client at a time
  - Workarounds via IP addresses are not viable
    - Client needs to associate with AP before accepting packets
    - Cannot associate new clients at an AP without disassociating current client
  - Solution: Transceiver Mode
    - Bypasses Network & Link Layers
    - Requires re-implementing transmission and receive protocols and does not work with essential API functions

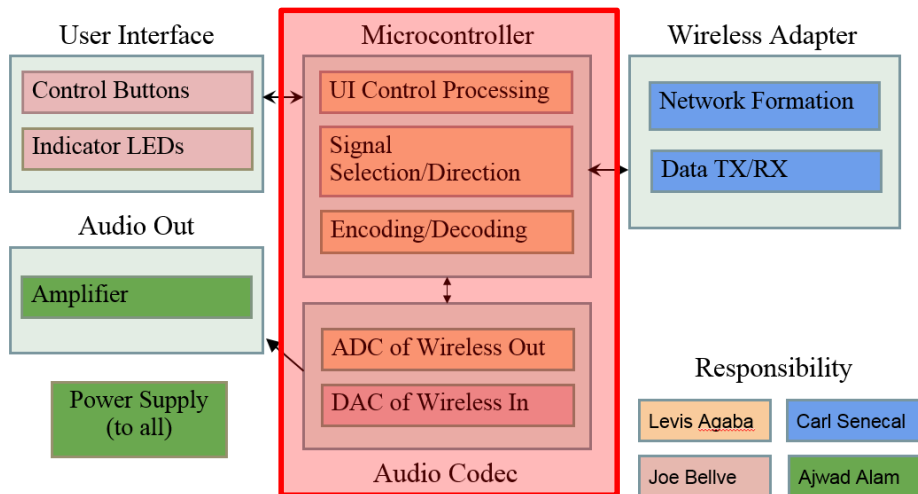


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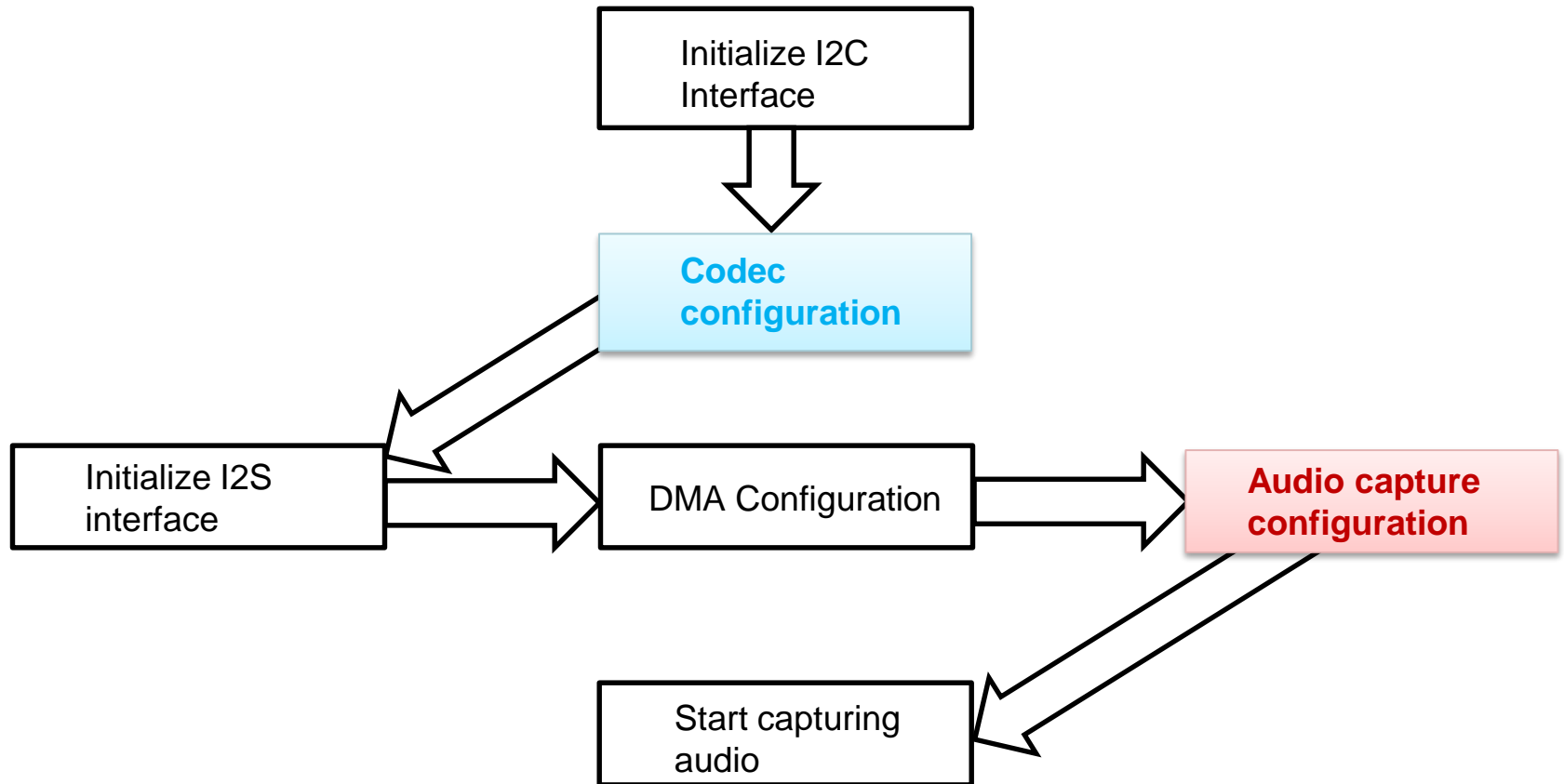
- Transceiver Mode
  - No collision protection
  - Need to filter packets manually
  - Many API functions do not work properly with raw sockets
    - Receiving packets to file is broken
  - Between buffering issues and noise, audio is mostly static, unrecognizable
  - Demo shows basic broadcast functionality with data only

## Subsystem 3: Audio quality

- 16bit (Default) bit resolution (option to use 24bits)
- 44.1kHz sampling frequency (16kHz for decent quality)
- 48kHz sampling frequency at 16bit resolution



# Program Flow

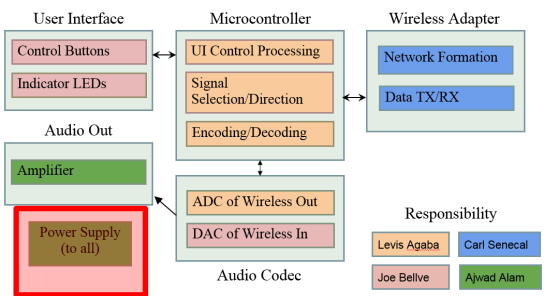


## Audio Codec Specs

- Stereo Audio DAC with 100db SNR
- 4.1 mW Stereo 48ksps DAC Playback
- Stereo Audio ADC with 93 dB SNR
- 6.1mW Stereo 48ksps ADC Record
- Support Sample ADC sample rate 8kHz to 192kHz
- DAC supports data rates form 8kHz to 192 kHz

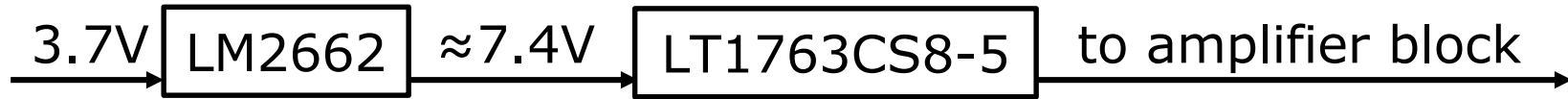
# Subsystem 4: Power Supply

- Lithium Polymer Ion  
 3.7V, 2500mAh  
 Powers amplifier, MCU & codec  
 Fed to voltage regulators  
 -LT1763CS8-3 (3V)  
 -LT1763CS8-5 (5V)
- 5V generation is done in two steps



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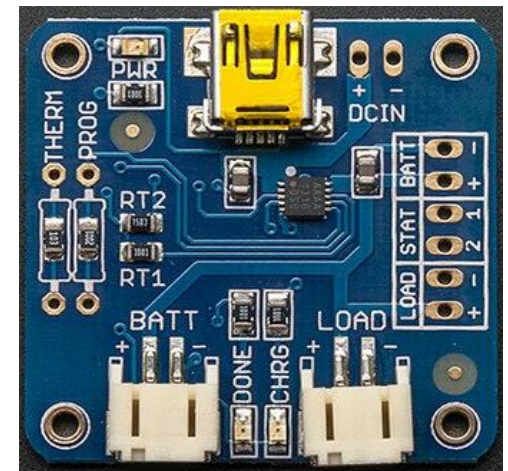


- Charging circuit from Adafruit

5V input via mini-B USB connector

Default charge current  $\approx 500mA$

Duration for full charge  $\approx 5$  hours



## Cost Analysis

item	qty	unit price	total cost
boosters	3	\$ 29.00	\$ 87.00
batteries	3	\$ 15.00	\$ 45.00
headphones	3	\$ 15.99	\$ 47.97
launchpads	3	\$ 29.99	\$ 89.97
pcb	3	\$ 10.00	\$ 168.00
capacitors	39	\$ 1.70	\$ 66.30
resistors	18	\$ 0.15	\$ 2.70
audio cables	3	\$ 3.00	\$ 9.00
potentiometers	3	\$ 3.99	\$ 11.97
opamp	3	\$ 2.10	\$ 6.30
battery charger	3	\$ 12.50	\$ 37.50
lm2662	6	\$ 2.52	\$ 15.12
voltage regulators	6	\$ 2.30	\$ 13.80
totals			\$ 600.63

## Demo

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- Part 1: Video of Broadcast Communication
  - One board broadcasts data to two others on the same channel
  - One-to-many communication
  - [Video](#)



## Demo

- Part 2: Three parties that can act as listeners or transmitters
- Unicast
  - Listener board tunes to first transmitter
- Channel changing
  - Listener board tunes to second transmitter
- Role changing
  - Listener board changes to transmitting, transmitter changes to listening

RED = Scan/Active Listener Mode

BLUE = Loopback

GREEN = Broadcast Mode

Thank You

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Questions?