



# Zipcart

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# Motivation



# Universal Product Codes (UPCs)

- Unique, twelve-digit numbers that identify items
- Barcodes are machine-readable



| Digits | Code            |
|--------|-----------------|
| 1 – 6  | Manufacturer ID |
| 7 – 11 | Item ID         |
| 12     | Check Digit     |



# Reading UPCs with Computer Vision



# Challenges

- Read moving barcodes at unpredictable angles
- Operate at the embedded scale
- Done in a way that comes natural to shoppers

# Requirements

1. Recognize barcode as item is placed in cart
2. Detect when item is removed from cart
3. Display item list and current balance
4. Detect an unscanned item to prevent theft
5. Sustain power for a full business day



# Specifications

1. 18 hours of continuous operation
2. One item entered/removed per two-second interval
3. Barcode surface must be reasonably flat
4. Maximum system latency: four seconds

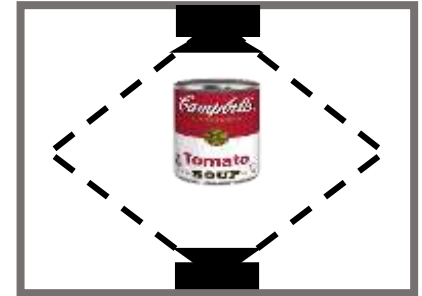


# Competitors



# Design Alternatives

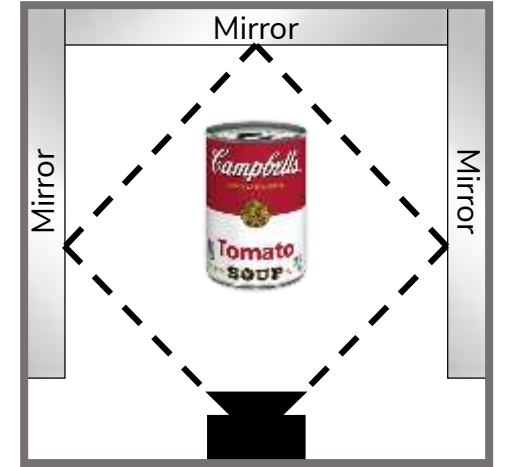
- Barcode Scanner
- Multiple Cameras
- Dedicated Display Terminal



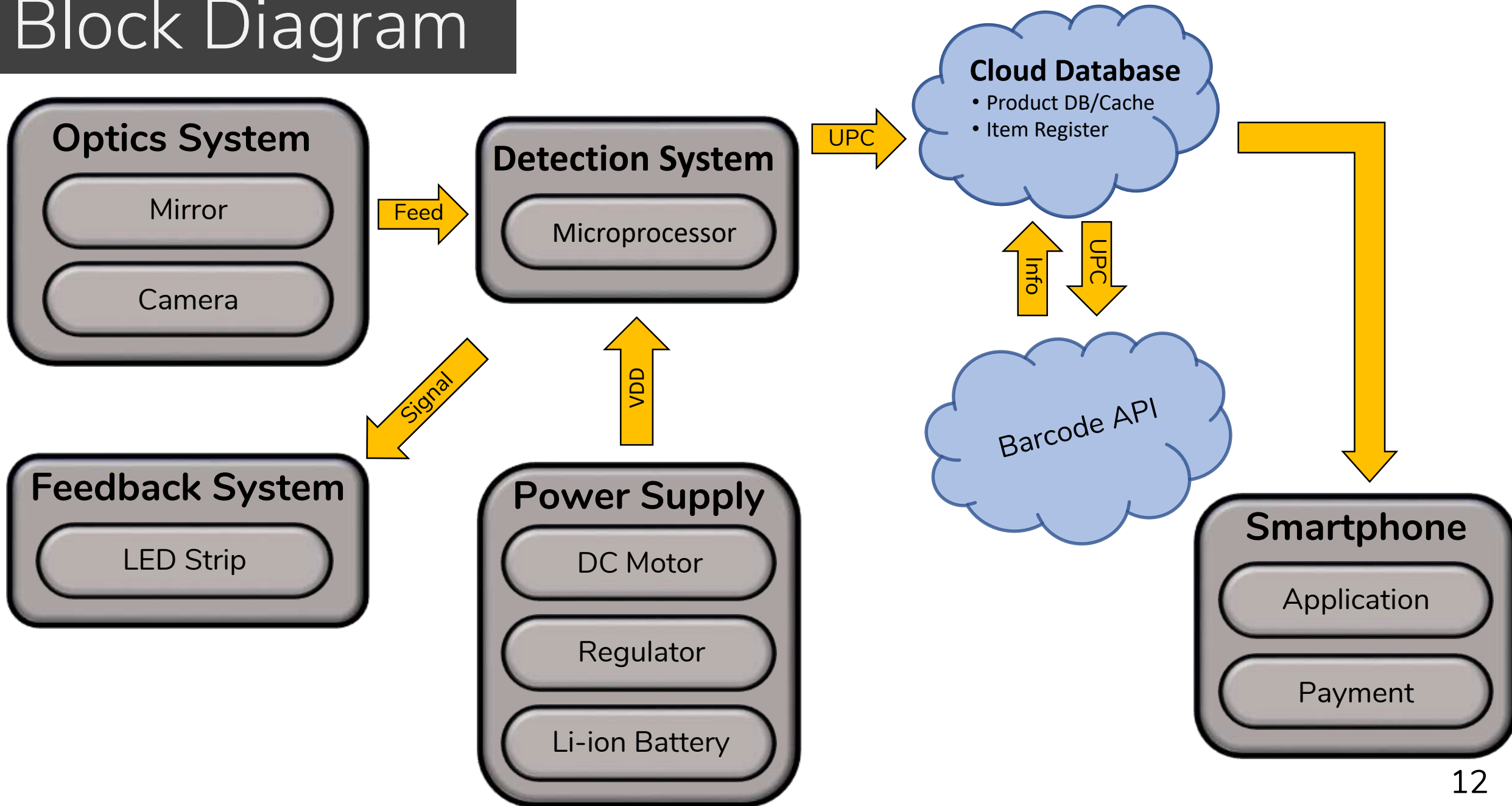


# Our Approach

- Single camera mounted to cart
  - Mirrors used see around product
- Cloud services
  - Intermediary between system and application
- Android smartphone application
  - Display item list and current balance

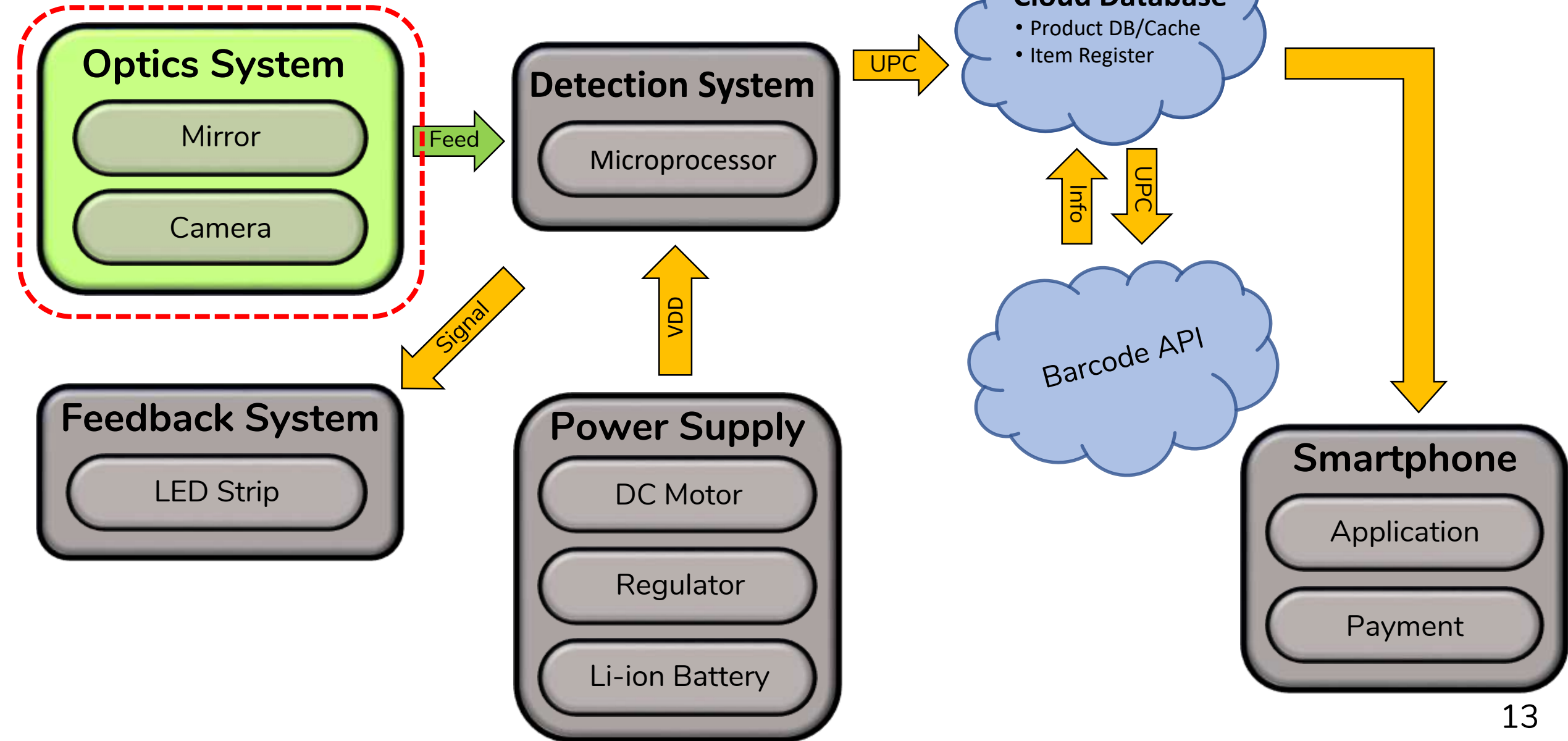


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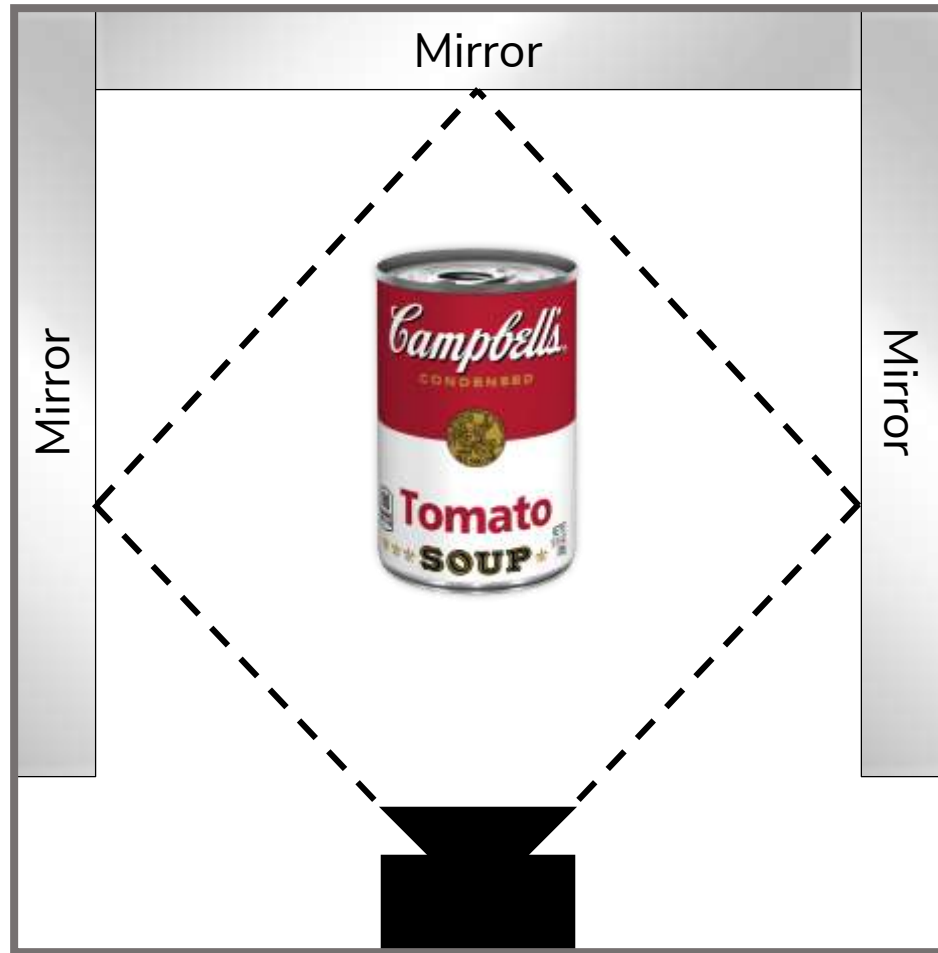




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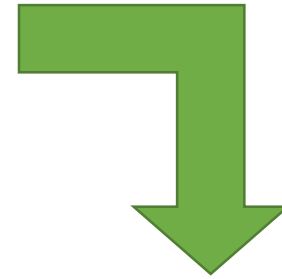
# Optics System



Cart, Top-Down Perspective



Front



Left

Front

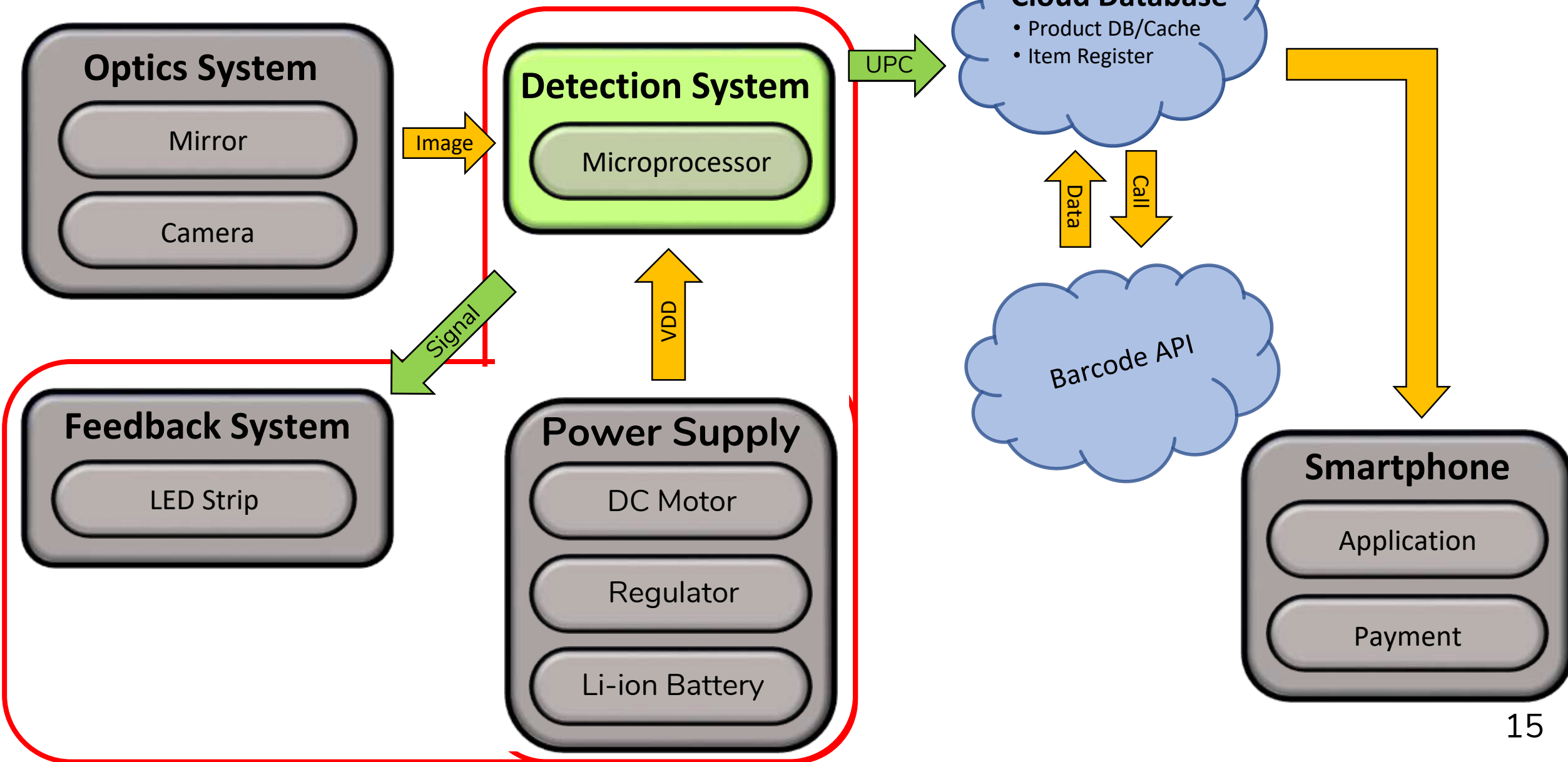
Right

Back





# Detection System



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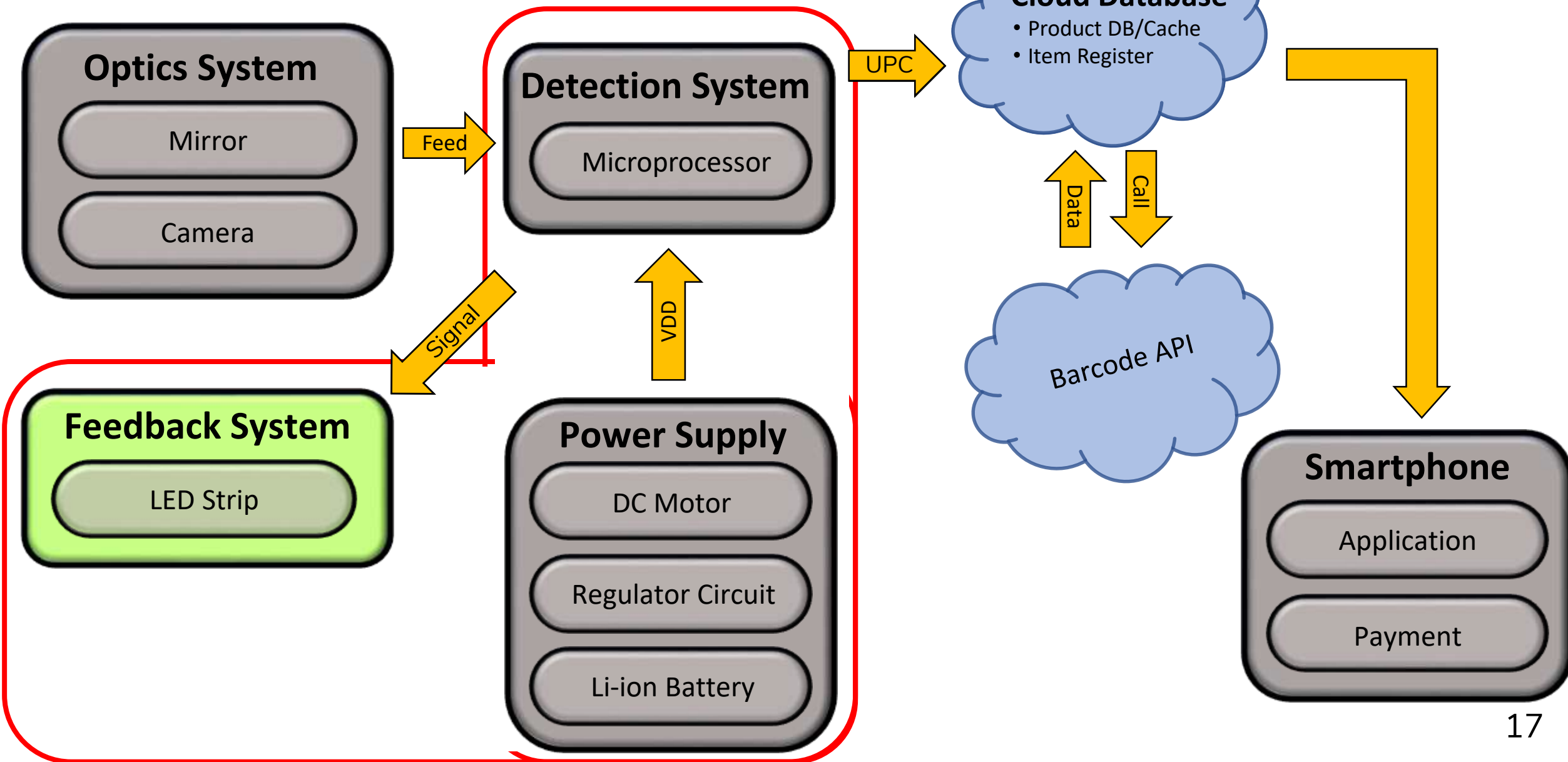
- Computer Vision algorithm
  - Read UPCs from barcodes
- Network interface
  - Send UPC, action to cloud
- Small, embedded platform



```
POST /cloud/order/3214 HTTP/1.1
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POST /cloud/order/3214 HTTP/1.1
B
DELETE /cloud/order/3214 HTTP/1.1
Barcode: 07314916939
```



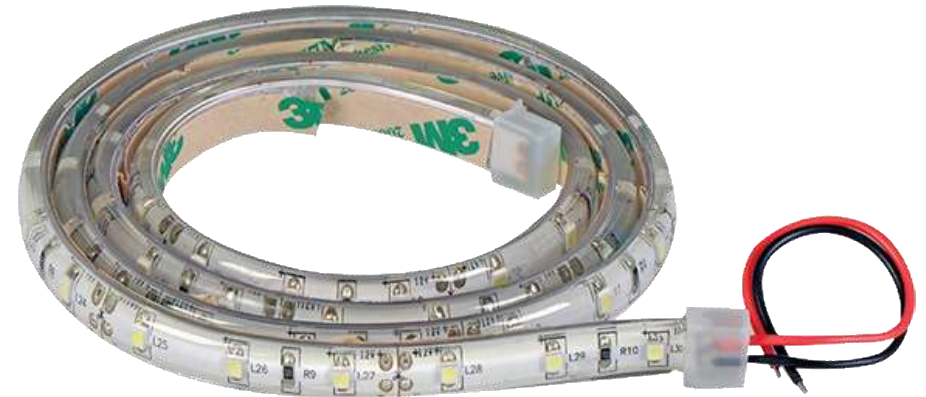
# Feedback System



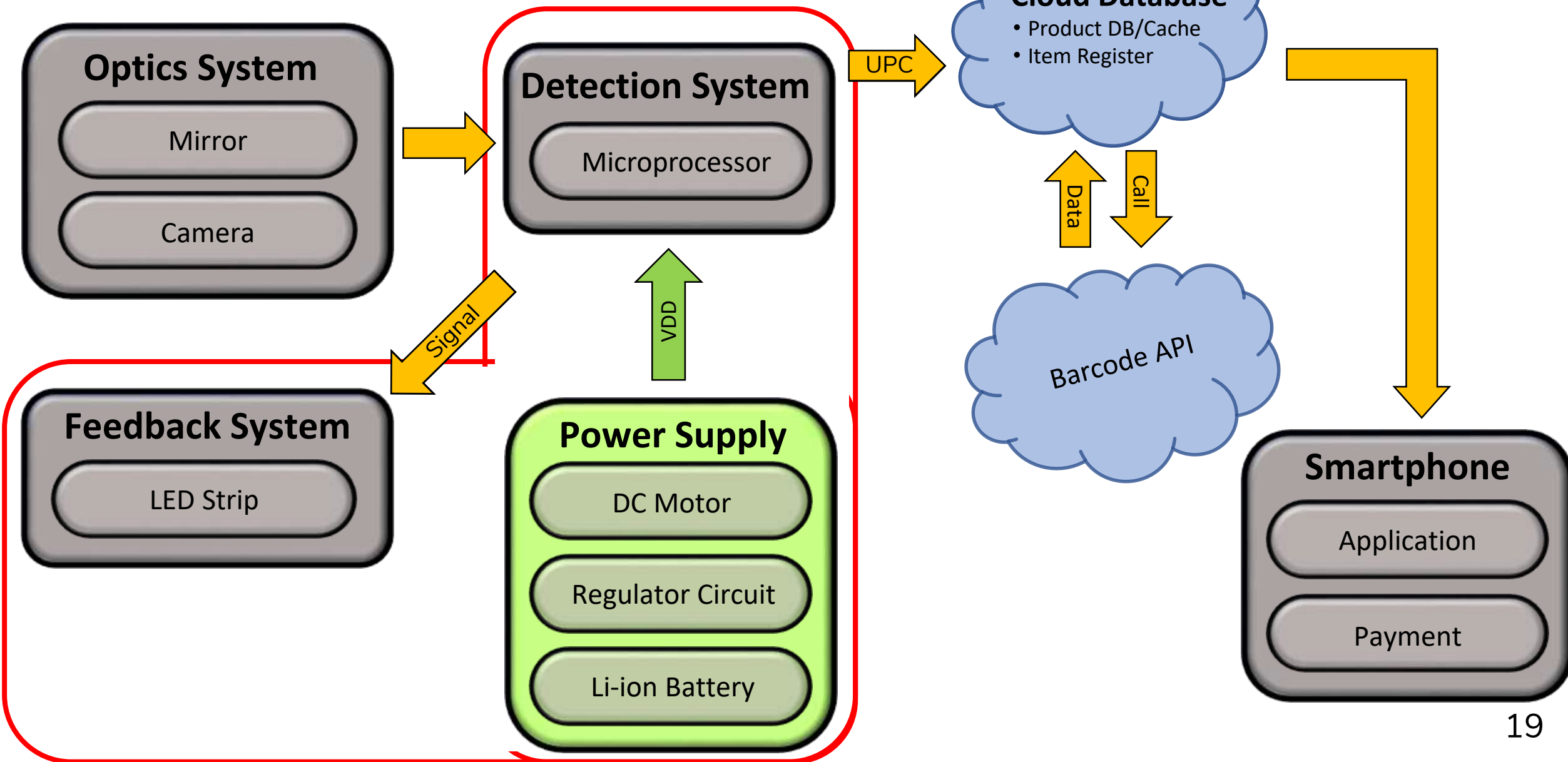


# Feedback System

- Intent is to differentiate a good scan from a bad one
- LED strip along inner edge of cart
- Green = good scan
- Red = bad scan

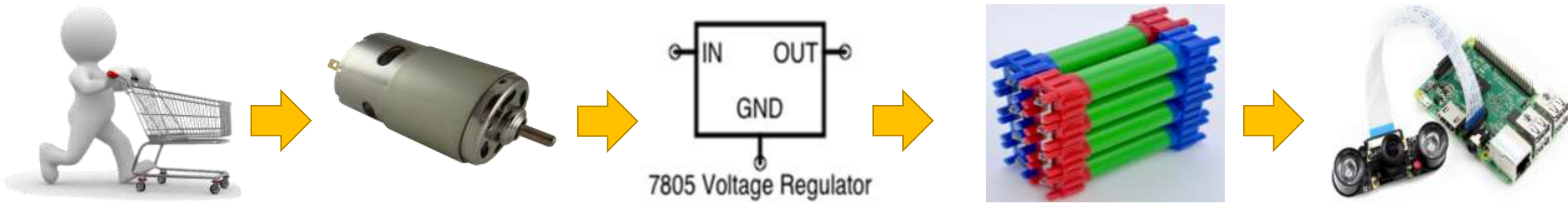


# Power Supply



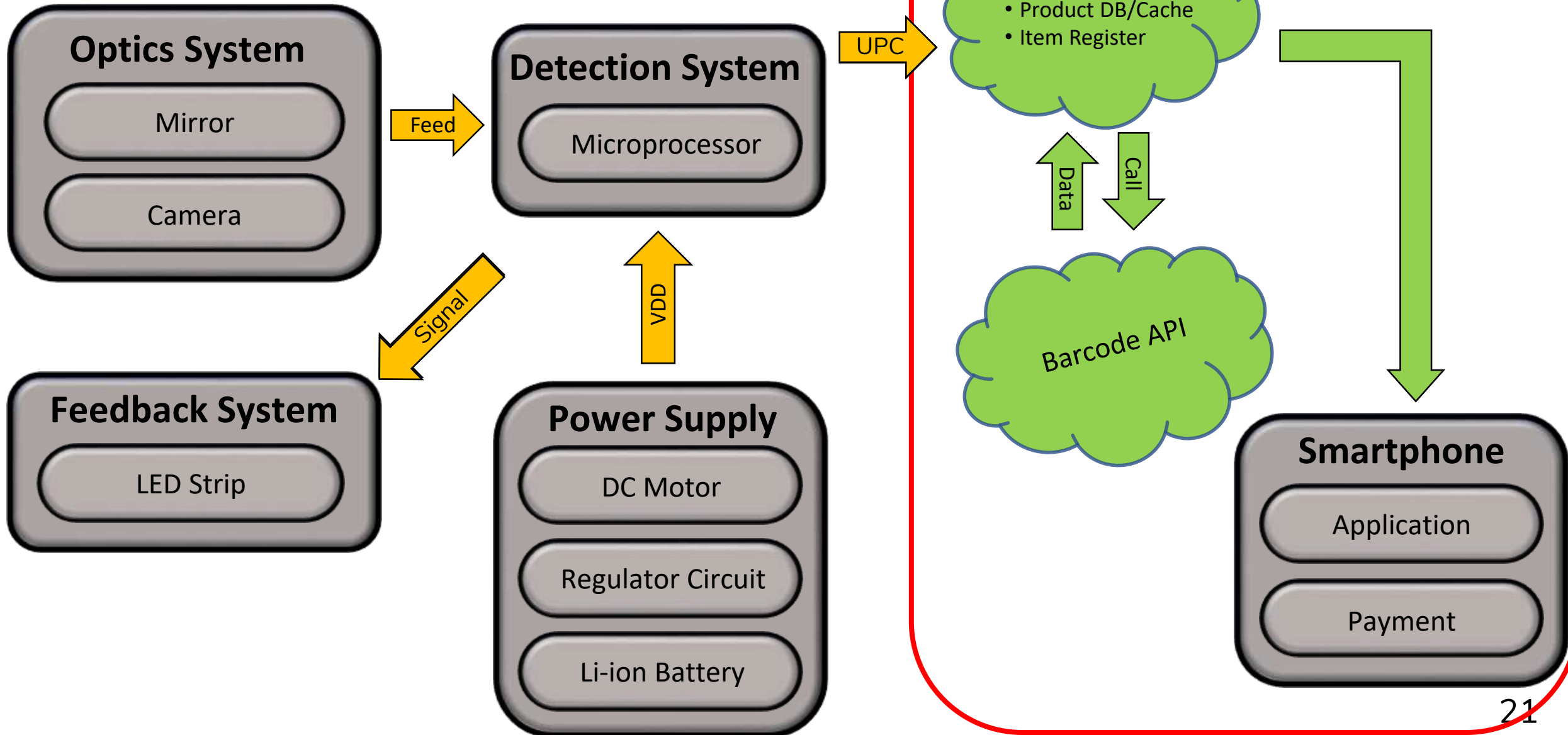
# Power Supply

- Self-sufficient to avoid charging
- DC Motor to generate power mechanically
- Brushed DC Motors typically 75-80% efficient
- Regulator circuit to produce constant and stabilized voltage





# Cloud Platform

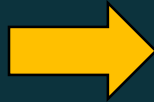


# Cloud Platform

- Track orders with database
- Manage product information
  - Request from UPC API
  - Cache results in local database



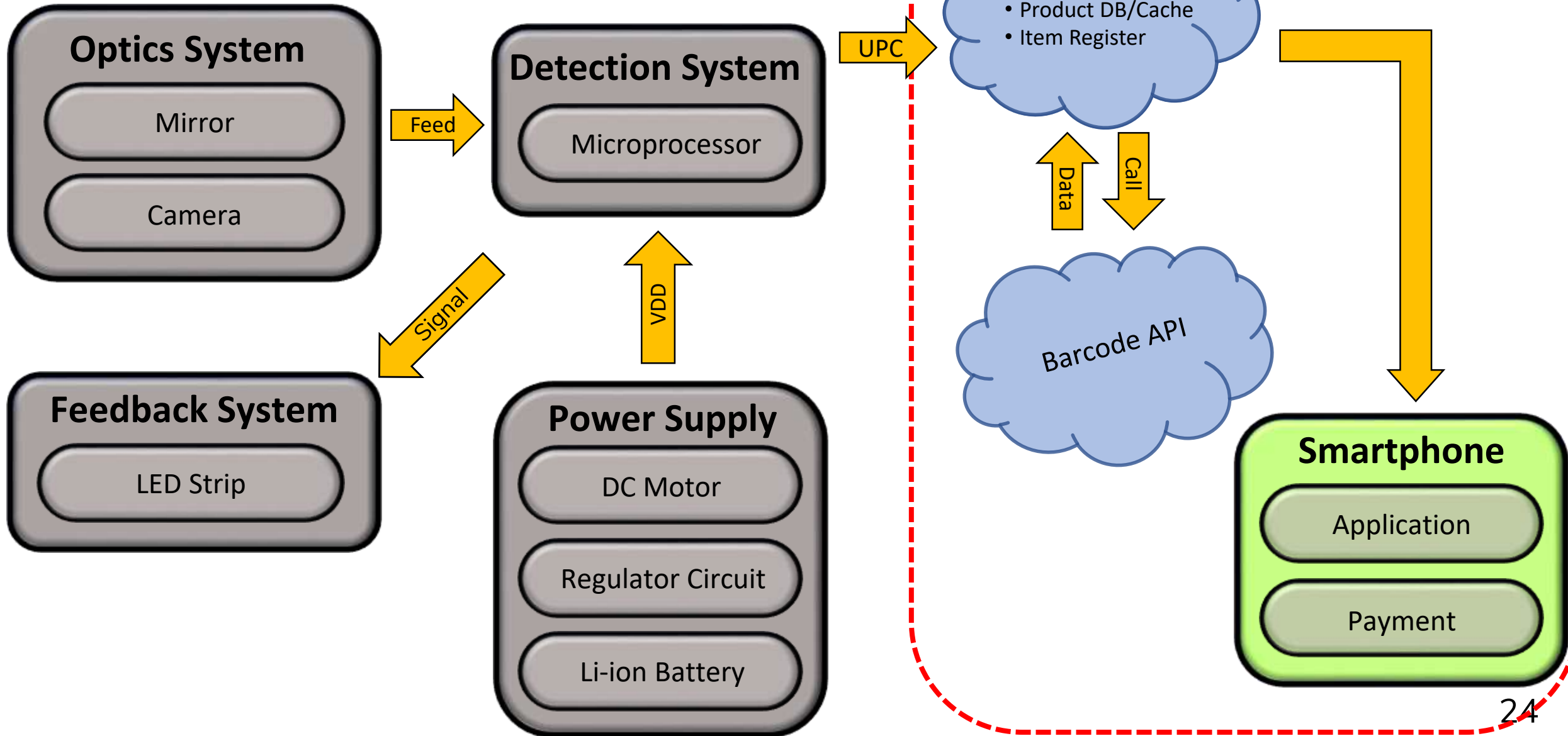
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[~/barcode-api-poc] (master)
monoflo@sinc $ python3 lookup.py 073149169396
2018-10-16 18:56:51,389 [INFO] request="https://api.barcodelookup.com/v2/products?barcode=073149169396&geo=us&key=stdn3wd6a6c0mnxycvdkdssis853a3" status="200"
Product Name: Sterilite, File Crate, Black
Response:
{'products': [{'actor': '',
  'artist': '',
  'asin': '',
  'audience_rating': '',
  'author': '',
  'barcode_formats': 'UPC 073149169396, EAN 0073149169396',
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    'legal-size hanging foldersStackableIntegrated '
    'handles for easy transport.',
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```



```
GET api.barcodelookup.com/{...}
HTTP/1.1
Response:
  UPC: 073149169396
  Product: Sterilite File Crate
  Price: 5.97 USD
```



# User Interface



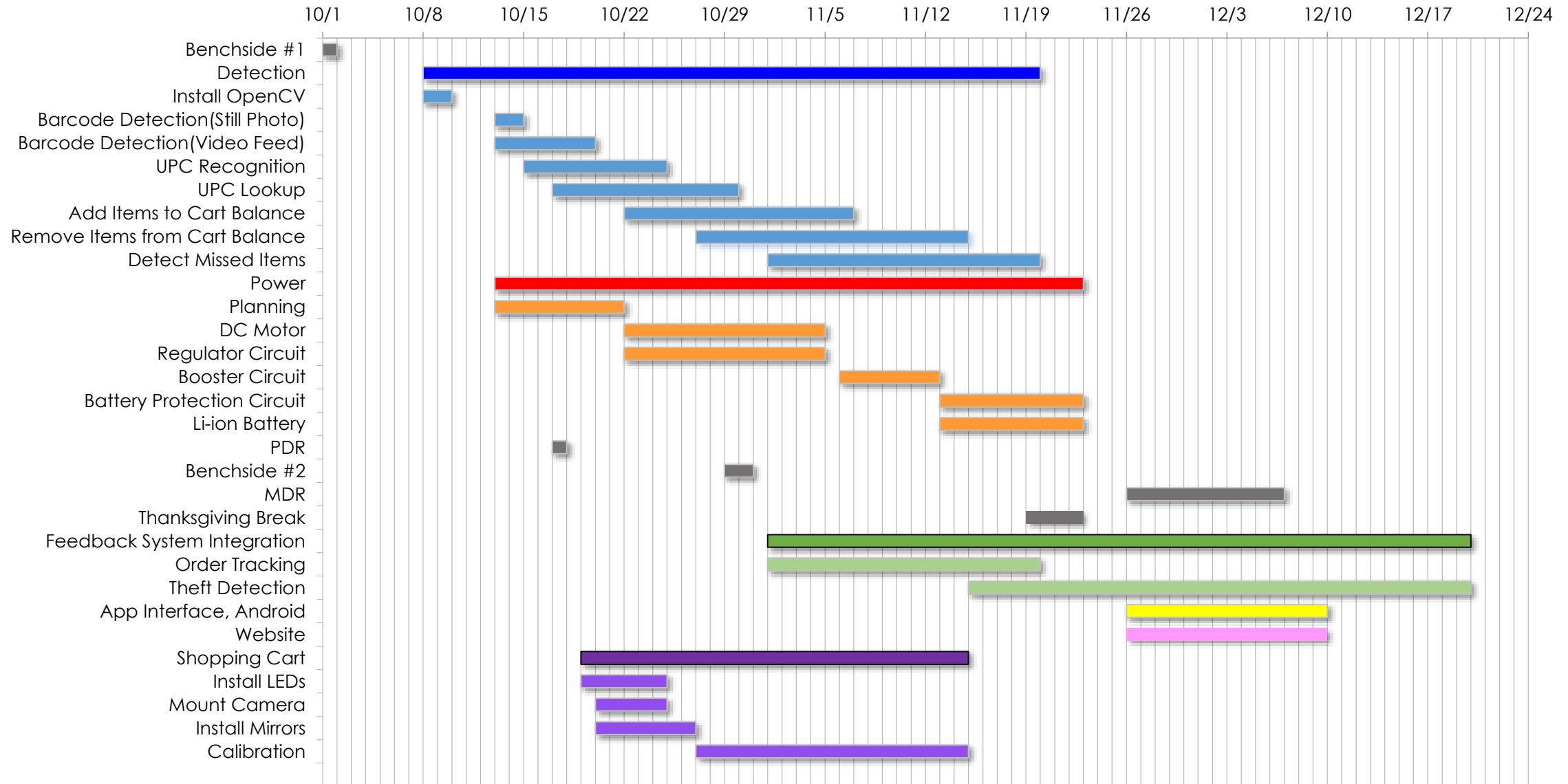
# User Interface

- Display item register, balance
- Enables a path to payment implementation
  - i.e. Samsung Pay, Venmo





# Schedule of Work



# Bill of Materials

- ✓ Raspberry Pi
- ✓ Camera
- ✓ Intel Movidius Visual Compute Stick
- ✓ Android Phone
- ☐ Shopping Cart
- ☐ Mirrors
- ☐ DC Motor(s)
- ☐ VRUZEND Battery Kit
- ☐ Li-ion Battery Cells
- ☐ PCB
- ☐ RGB LED Strip

# MDR Deliverables

- Detect barcode around 180° of camera perspective
- Successful integration of feedback system
- Update cloud database with product information
- Show power generation using DC Motor





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