



Wireless Pong Game !

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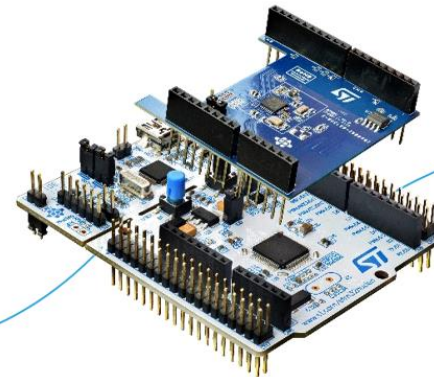
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1. The contest rules

Develop the most innovative and fun “green electronics” project !

Controller : ST’s NUCLEO-L152RE

Bluetooth Low Energy Module : X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1



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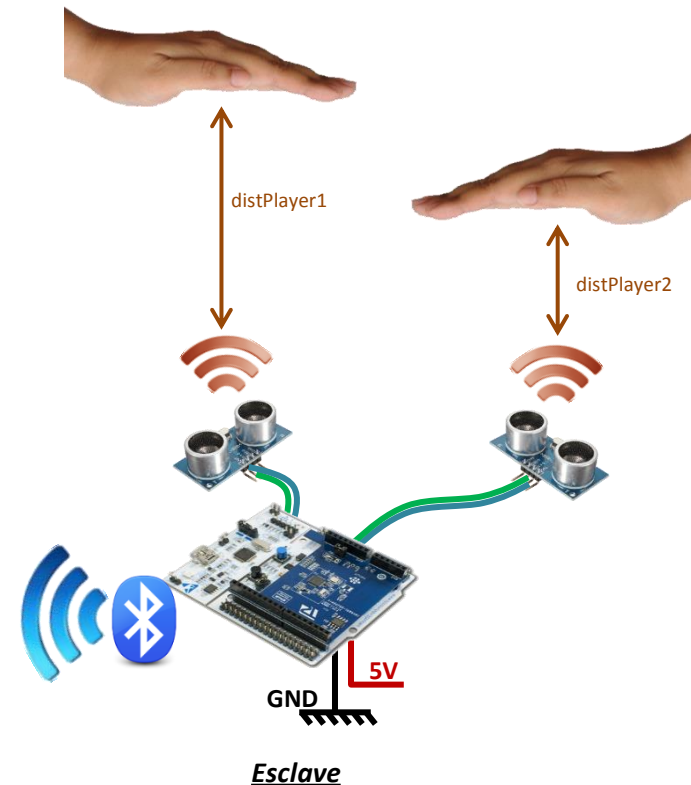
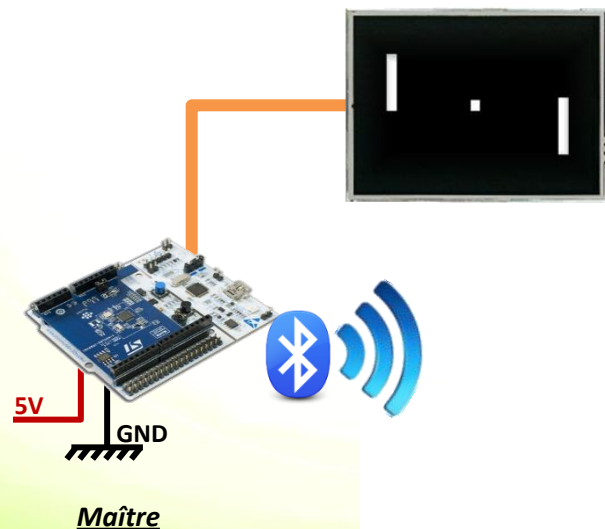
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2. Our fun project !

Each player controls their own paddle without any gamepad !

Thanks to range sensors, everybody can play wireless, with their hand or with a « fakepad ».

Distances are transmitted through Bluetooth[®] SMART to the receiver, which displays the game on the screen.



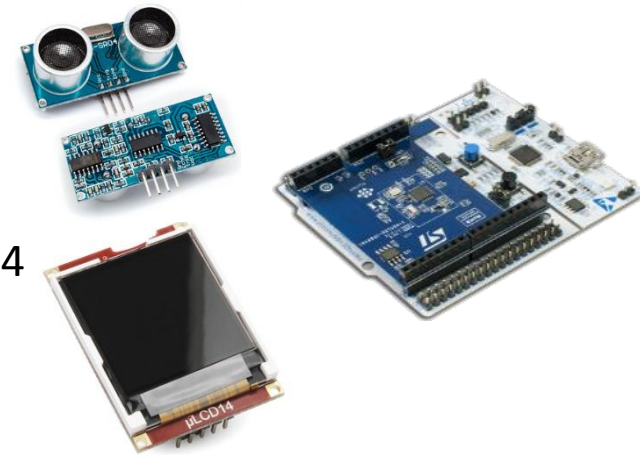


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3. Implementation

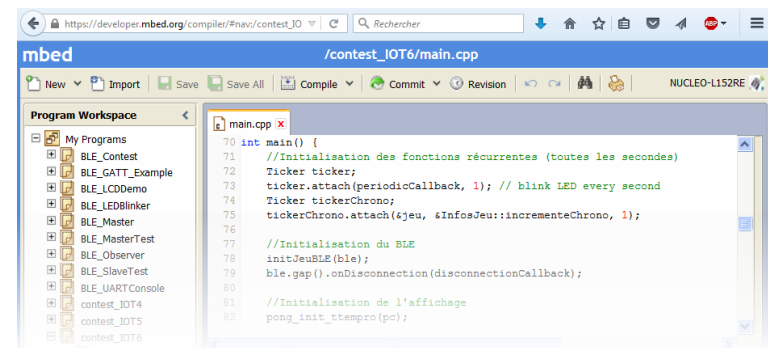
Bill of materials :

- Range Sensor : HC-SR04
- Controller : ST NUCLEO-L152RE
- Bluetooth Low Energy Module : X-NUCLEO-IDB04
- Display : 4D System LCD TFT screen μ LCD-144



ARM mbed IDE :

- Online compiler
- Growing community
- Best asset : its simplicity!



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4. *It will be fun they said...* Problems and solutions

Bluetooth Low Energy Module problem :

- Incomplete mbed library for X_NUCLEO_IDB0XA1 : Emitter (slave) fully fonctionnal, but not the receiver (Master) → Master-Slave transmission problem
Developper are supposed to use a smartphone for communications
→ **We will transmit scores and game time to the smartphone**

```
946 // ANDREA
947 ble_error_t BlueNRGGap::startRadioScan(const GapScanningParams &scanningParams) {
948     // Empty by now
949     return BLE_ERROR_NONE;
950 }
```

TFT Screen Firmware :

- Necessary firmware update for use with our controller → **Update error, try again.**
Connection issue with computer, home message keeps displaying on the screen.
→ **We will use a terminal to display the game, using VT100 commands**

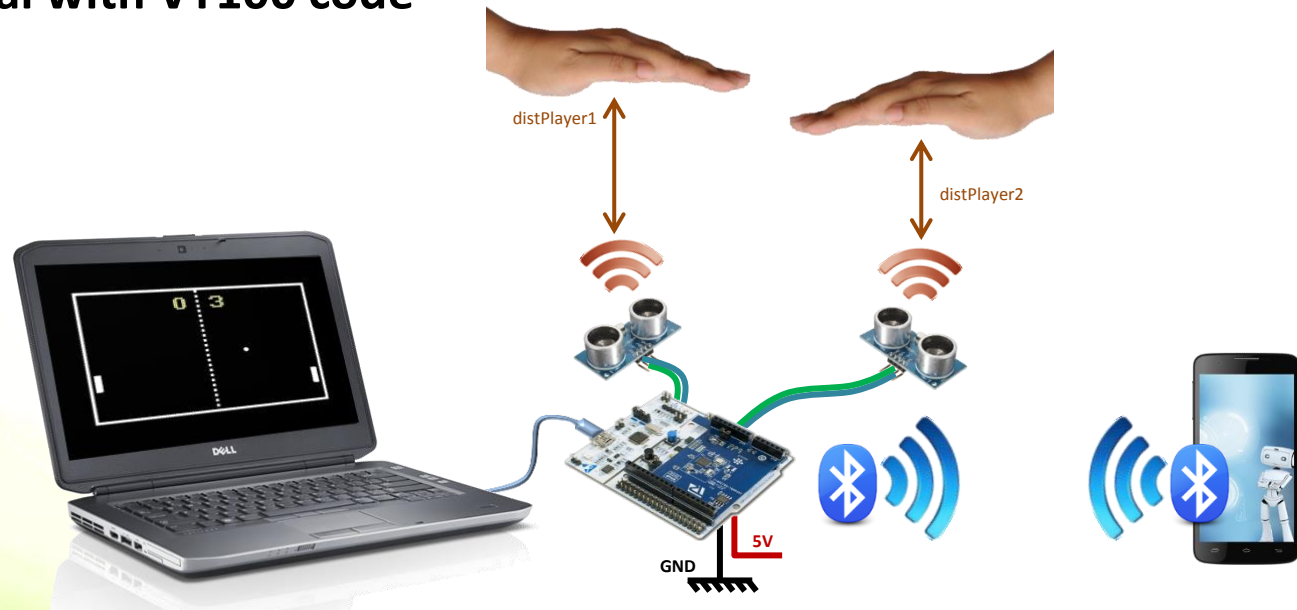
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5. Final result

- Implementation on only one board
- 2 HC-SR04 range sensors to control the game
- Scores and game time transmit through BLE
- Display on terminal with VT100 code

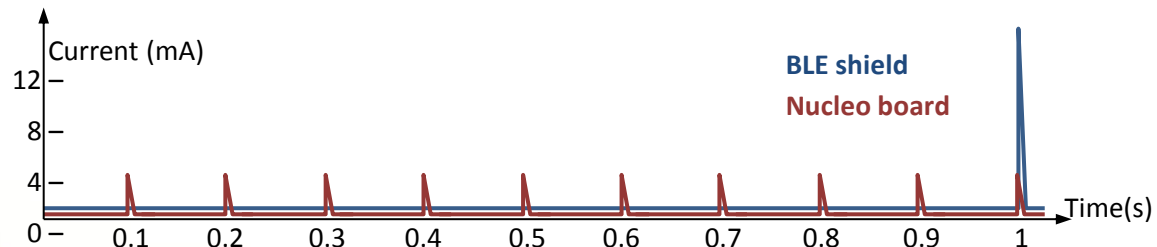




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6. How green is our project? Power analysis

- **BLE X_NUCLEO_IDB0XA1:**
 - Baseline current (Idle state) : 6-10 μ A
 - Radio current (Advertising state) : 10-15mA
 - Average current : \approx 35 μ A (99.7% - 0.3%)**
 - With a coin cell battery (3V) : System may last around 7000h \approx 1 year
- **Nucleo-L52RE :**
 - Standby mode (using Thread::wait) : 1.11 μ A
 - Run mode : 195 μ A/MHz (3,12mA @16MHz)
 - Average current : \approx 125.8 μ A (96% - 4%)**



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