



Coca-Cola Light Up Interactive Packaging

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Background



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NFC

Introduction



- A package for Coca-Cola beverages that interacts with users by lighting up in different patterns when activated
- Total prototyping cost: \$795
- Approximate production cost @10000: \$9.192/unit

Motivation

- New concept
- Customer connection
- Brand image

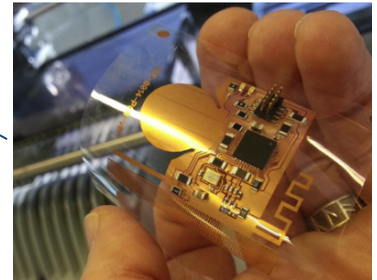
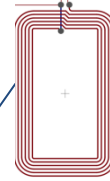




Designs Explored

- Using an FSR to light LEDs
 - FSRs are expensive (\$5 - \$7)
- Using NFC as a switch
 - Too simple for Senior Design
- **Using NFC to send data (with a microcontroller)**
 - **Adds complexity, more interactive**

Approach Overview



Project Specifications

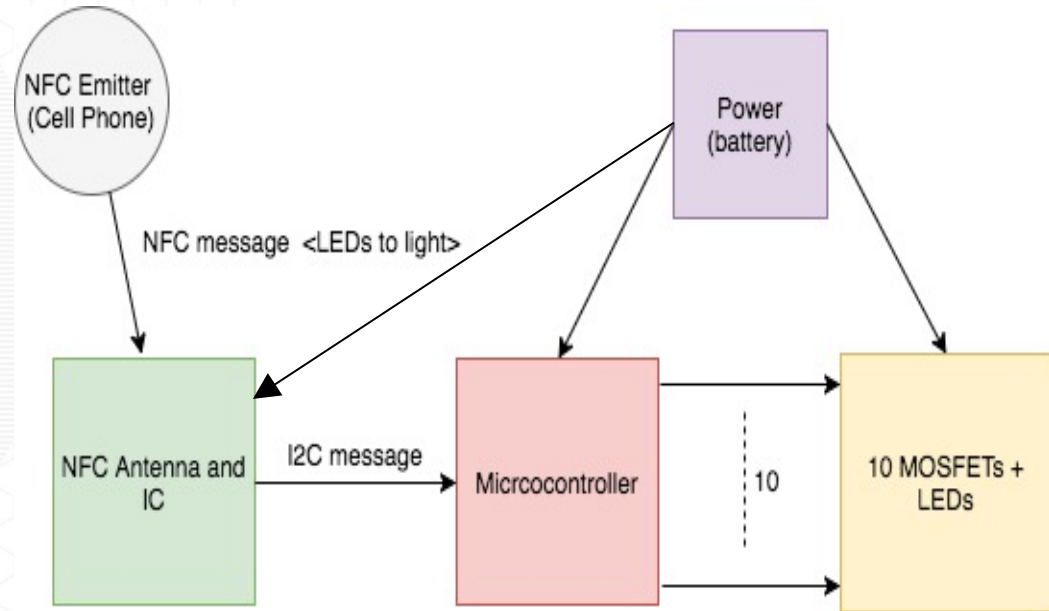
Temperature Range	2°C to 35°C
Water Resistance	IPX4
Drop Resistance	1.5m
Active Duration	30 sec
Storage and Shipping Life	4 weeks
Cost (approx., million-unit scale)	\$10
Luminous Intensity	500 mcd
Weight	20g
Form Factor	+2.5mm to bottle radius +0mm to bottle height
Light Interactivity	Wireless
Removability	eLabel is easily removed w/o tools



Design Overview



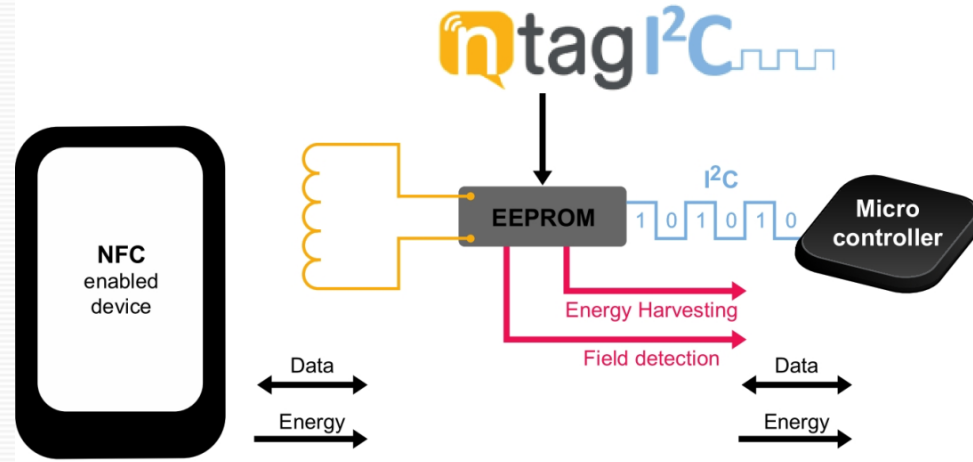
- Power
- NFC Antenna and IC
- Microcontroller
- Lighting (LEDs)



NFC Antenna and IC



- NXP's NTAG
- RF to I2C



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Power



- Flexible Lithium Ion Battery

Table 2. Battery Specifications

Item	Specification
Output Voltage	3V
Current Draw (max)	200 mA
Capacity	600 mAh
Size	50.5 mm X 50.5mm
Thickness	1.5mm

Microcontroller



- LPC812
- ARM Cortex-M0+ processor
- I2C Capabilities
- PMU

Table 2. MCU Specifications

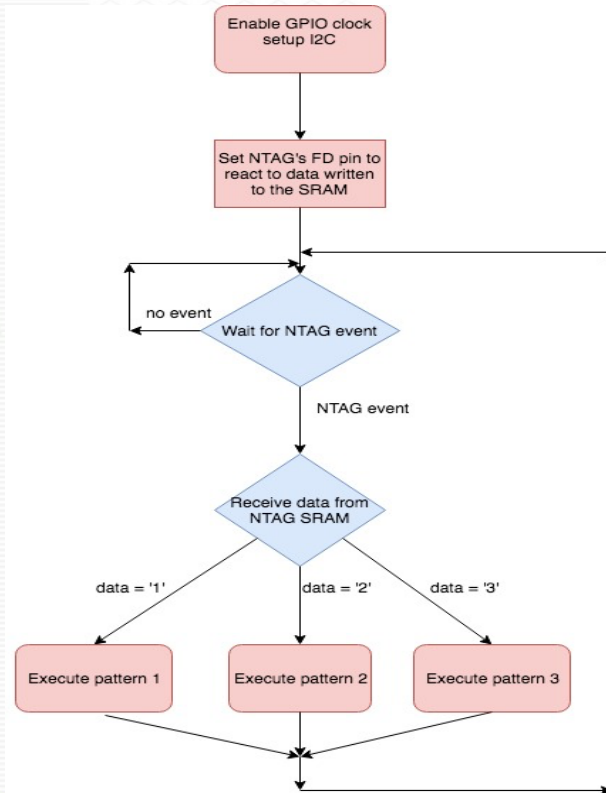
Item	Specification
Input Voltage (Min)	1.8 V
Current Draw	5 μ A

Lighting (LEDs)

- 9 red LEDs
- 3x3 array
- Voltage drop of 1.9V
- Max Current draw 20mA



Firmware Design



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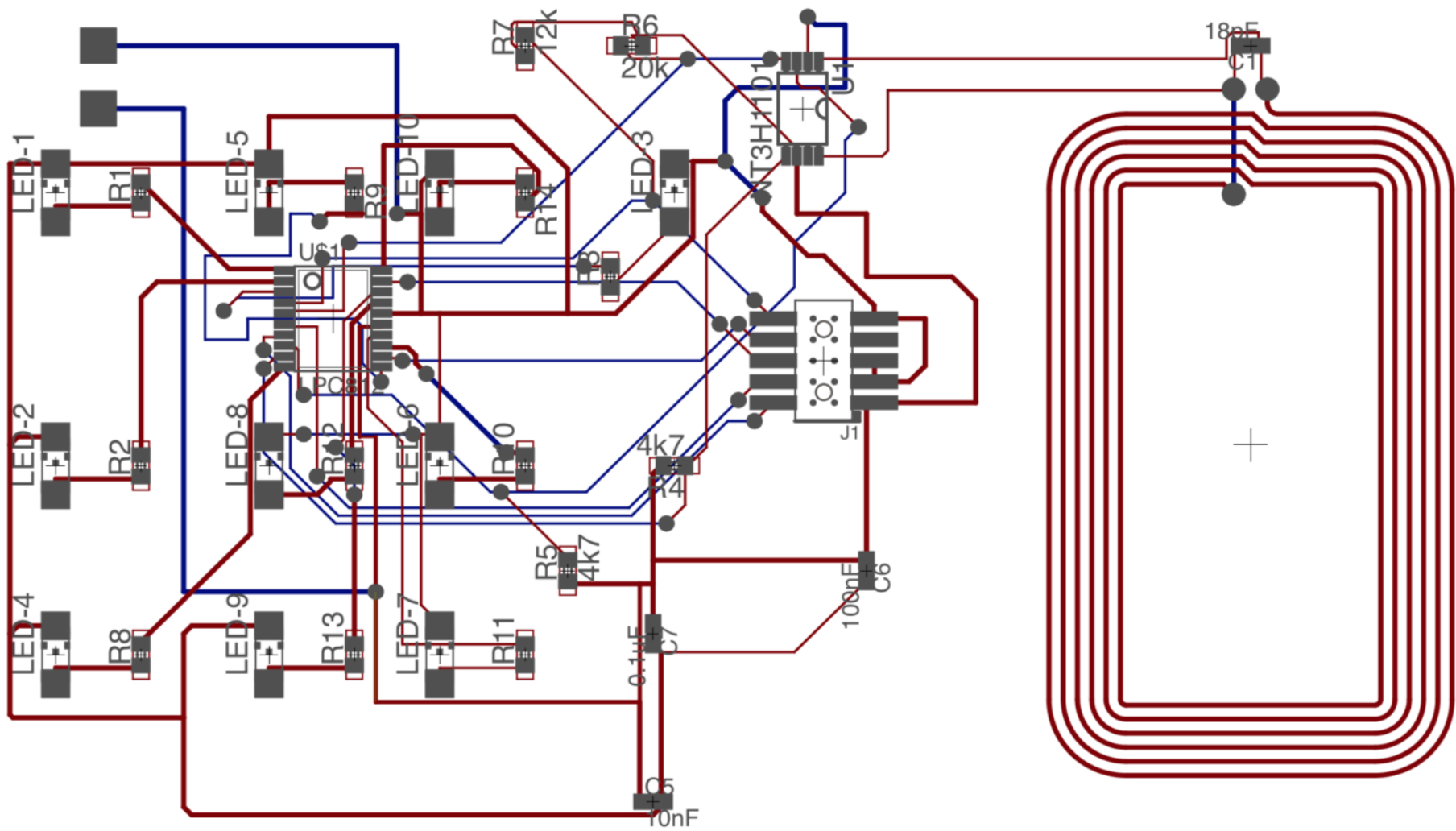


- Firmware written in C
- Ipcxpresso IDE
- LPC-Link2 used for flashing



Hardware Design

- Schematic and layout done in eagle
- 2-sided board
- Antenna design from NXP demo board



Development stages



1

Rigid board testing

\$17 for 3 rigid board

Proof of concept

2

FR4 Bendable board

Milled in a lab on campus

FR4 too thin, the machine can't remove copper completely

3

Outside Vendor for full-flex board

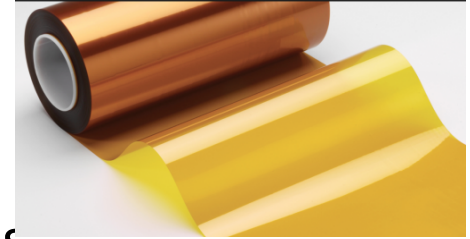
\$250 for prototyping 7 boards

Fully flexible, high quality



Prototype Hardware Assembly

- Water resistance:
Kapton Tape to cover both sides of the board
- Battery soldered to the board by jumper wires
- “Hidden” under the label





Environmental Considerations

- Bottle is no longer recyclable
- E-waste facility not usually easily accessible
- During campaign, waste can be collected for processing
 - Customer incentive (\$ deposit)
- Removable E-label?

Components Cost for Prototyping



Rigid PCBs x 3	\$73
Flexible PCBs x 7	\$250
FR4 sheets x 2	\$44
NTAG demo-kit	\$18.69
Linker board	\$22.48
3V Li-ion batteries x 15	\$75
Xpresso Development board	\$18.75
NXP Microcontrollers	\$25
Components (LEDs, resistors, caps, connectors, fuses...)	\$150
Grand Total (Including shipping)	\$795

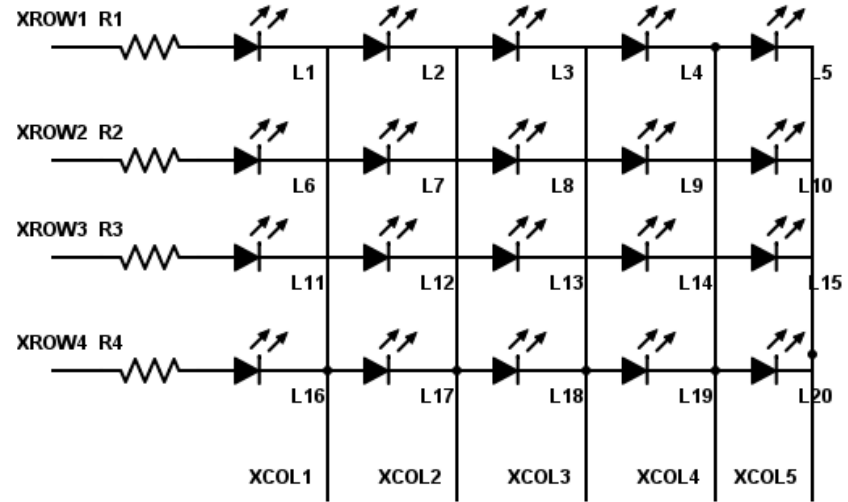
Approximate Large Scale Components Cost

FR4 sheets (for PCB)	@1	\$20/4 (-1 for approx 10000) = \$4
Red LED x 9	@10,000	\$0.04 x 5 = \$0.2
NXP Microcontroller	@10,000	\$0.60
Capacitors, SMD x 7	@15,000	\$0.002 x 7 = 0.014
NTAG chip	@10,000	\$0.35
Li-Ion flat battery	@1	\$5 (-1 for approx 10000) = \$4
Resistor, SMD x14	@15,000	\$0.002 x 14 = \$0.028
Total		\$9.192

Future Improvements---Software



- Variations on LEDs
 - Array (upto 20)
 - pattern
- Additional programming features



Future Improvements---Hardware

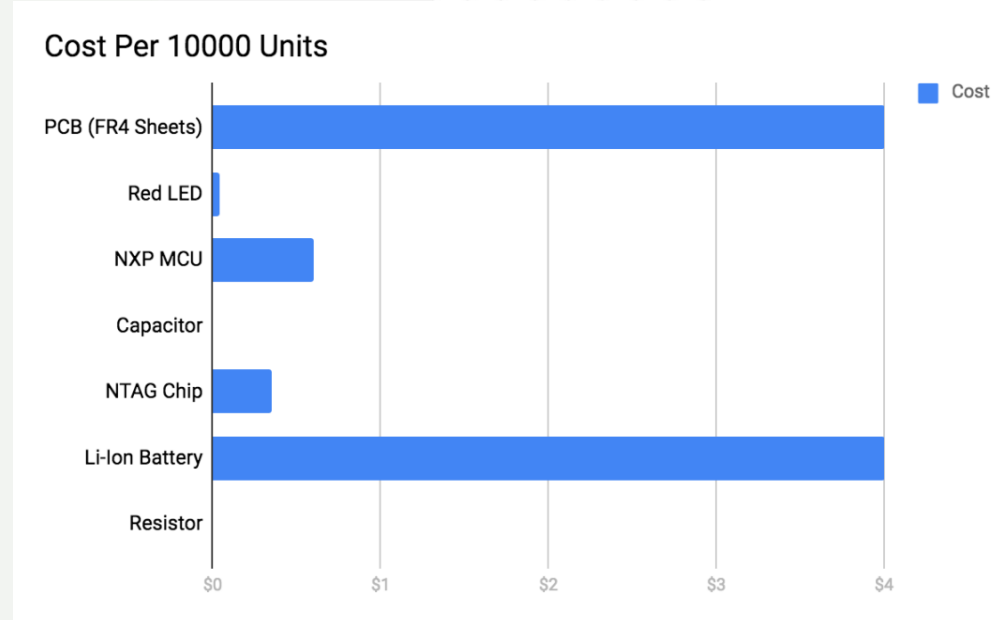


- Power Solution
 - Energy harvesting through antenna
 - E-ink battery
- Add a fuse and a switch
- Water Resistance method suitable for mass production
- LEDs arranged to illuminate Coke logo

Future Improvements---Cost



- Get rid of the battery (energy harvesting)



Questions?



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