Page Flipper Flippin' Archivists

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This project is designed to be an add-on to a do-it-yourself book scanner, automating the page turning process.

Project Description and Rationale for Project Selection

- Automated page flipper
- Add-on to DIY book scanner
- Time saving
- Better organization & space saving
- Easier to store and move



Project Specifications

- Open Source Standards and Hardware
- Expandability
 - To Include Full Automation
- Page Flipper Rate
- Physical Space Constraints
- Robotics

Project Resources

- Online Forums
- Data sheets/application notes
- Various control systems text
- Industry Experts

Initial Vacuum Design

- Vacuum Pump
- Vacuum Gauge
- Vacuum Pressure Sensor
- Suction Cup
- Needle Valve



Final Vacuum Design

- 12 V DC Vacuum Pump
- 24 V DC Vacuum Solenoid
- Vacuum Pressure Sensor
- Needle Valve
- Component arrangement



Initial Mechatronic Design

- Two Motors
- Custom H-Bridge
- Analog Proximity Sensors
- Vacuum Switch
- Vacuum Solenoid
- Vacuum Pump
- Microswitches
- Arduino Controller
- Signal Conditioner
- Power Supply



Final Mechatronic Design

- Two Motors (One Motor and One Servo)
- Motor Driver
- Page Prox Sensors (Microswitches)
- Signal Conditioner
- Vacuum Switch
- Vacuum Solenoid
- Vacuum Pump
- Vacuum Opto-Isolator / Relays
- Microswitches
- Arduino Controller
- Final Page Switch
- Power Supply



System Testing

- Servo Motors
- Proximity, Micro, and Vacuum Switches
- Robotic Main Arm & Upper Arm
- Vacuum System
- Arduino Program

Lessons Learned

- Interaction of physical & electronics systems
- Microcontroller technologies
- Robotics components
- Arduino Programming
- Subsystem Testing

Future Improvements

- Immediate:
 - Solder mount discrete components on PCB
 - Mount microcontroller and vacuum assemblies
- Longer-term:
 - Design automated book lifter
 - Design automated camera triggering circuits

Prototype Demonstration