



Sukup RTD Circuit Tester



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Introduction

- Users
 - Sukup Electrical Engineer
 - Sukup Technician
- Problem
 - Test PCBs after production
 - Test newly developed PCBs
- Importance
 - Ensure faulty PCBs do not get sold
 - Streamline future design processes

User Needs

- Need kit to test RTD circuits
- Test circuit boards at end of production line
- Test newly developed circuit boards
- Create new testbenches
- Test boards on pass/fail basis, also include description of failures

Requirements

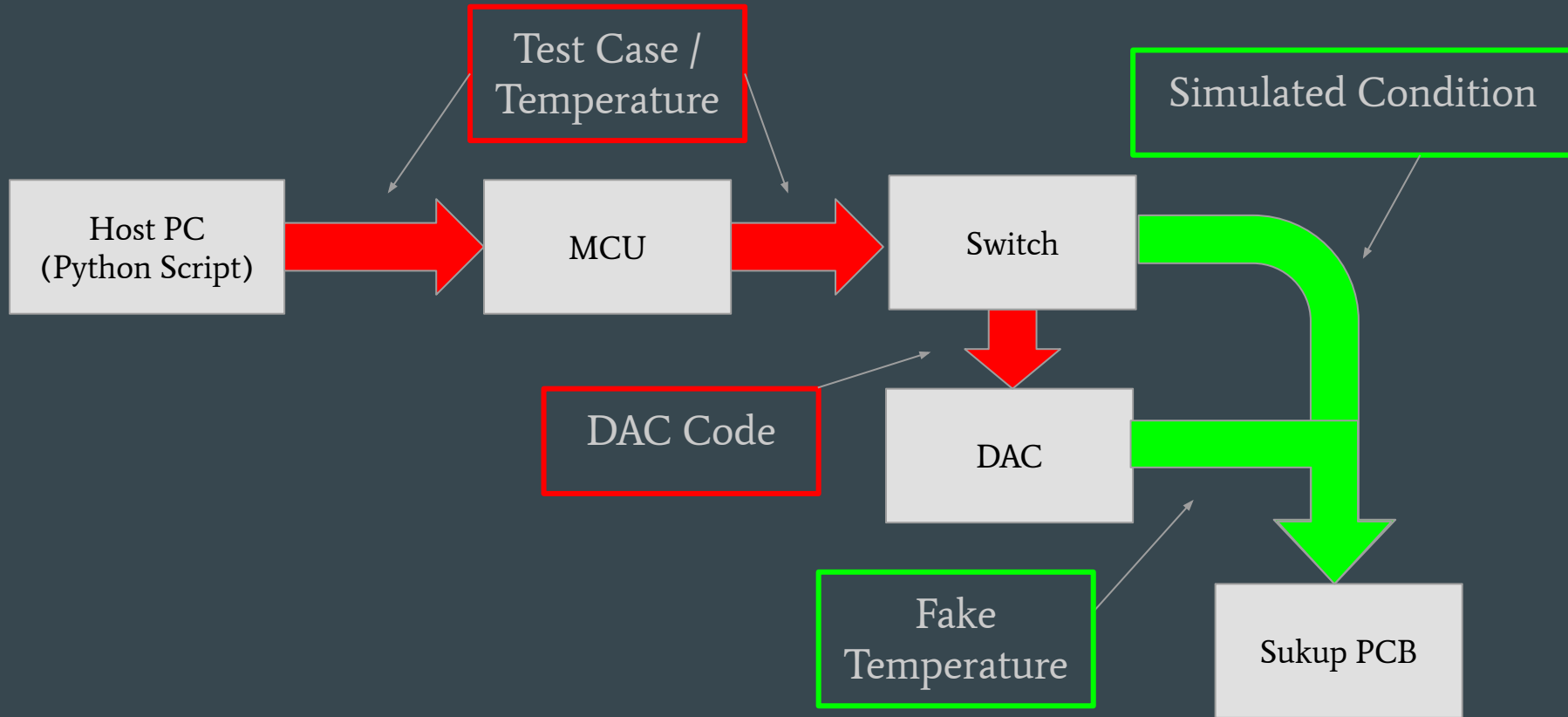
- Purpose - Our design simulates operational & fault conditions for testing
- Key Requirements
 - Uses standard USB
 - Simulates temperature values
 - Measure accuracy of temperature measurement chip (MAX31865)
 - Test open, short and over-voltage conditions in RTD
 - Test Modbus communication
 - Test surge protection

Design

Design Overview Description

- Host PC
 - Runs python script that allows user to define test case / temperature and sends to our PCB
 - Waits for our PCB to run tests and displays results
- MCU
 - Reads data from host PC
 - Controls the DAC and switches
- DAC
 - Generates the test conditions by outputting a simulated voltage
- Switch
 - Selects between test cases (4 cases)

Design Overview Visualization



Software

Host PC

- User Interface
 - Command terminal
- Python script
 - Easy configuration
 - Simple interface
 - Same as Sukup code
- Sends data to MCU
 - Three bytes



Python Script

- Configure communications
 - COM port
- Test case
 - Short circuit
 - Open circuit
 - Over voltage
 - Temperature
 - RTD value
 - Test temperature
 - CSV look-up table
- 3 bytes sent
 - First byte - Test case
 - Second and third byte - DAC code



Python Script

```
def main():
    com_port = input("Enter COM port (e.g., COM3): ")    # Allows user to define the COM port in use

    try:
        ser = serial.Serial(com_port, 9600, timeout=5)
        test_case = int(input("Select Test Case:\n\t0: Short Circuit\n\t1: Open Circuit\n\t2: Over Voltage\n\t3: Test
        test_case_ascii = test_case + 48                # convert test case from decimal to ascii

        if test_case == 3: # Test Temperature case
            rtd_value = int(input("Enter RTD value:\n\t0: 100 Ohm\n\t1: 1K Ohm\nYour choice: "))

            while True:
                try:
                    temperature = float(input("Enter a temperature value in Fahrenheit (Between 32 & 252): "))
                    if 32 <= temperature <= 252:
                        break
                    else:
                        print("Error: Temperature must be between 32 and 252. Please try again.")
                except ValueError:
                    print("Error: Invalid input. Please enter a numeric value.")

            closest_temp, dac_code, dac_code_bin, dac_code_hex, simulated_voltage = read_csv(rtd_value, temperature)
            print(f"Closest matching temperature: {closest_temp} F")
            print(f"DAC Code Decimal: {dac_code}")
            print(f"DAC Code Binary: {dac_code_bin}")
            print(f"DAC Code Hex: {dac_code_hex}")
            print(f"Simulated Voltage: {simulated_voltage} mV")

            # Convert dac_code to two bytes to stay within the range 0-256 for each byte
            high_byte = (dac_code >> 8) & 0xFF    # Extract the higher 8 bits
            low_byte = dac_code & 0xFF            # Extract the lower 8 bits

            # Prepare the data to send with test case as the first byte, followed by high and low bytes of dac_code
            data_to_send = bytes([test_case_ascii, high_byte, low_byte])
            print(f"Test case: {hex(test_case)}")
            print(f"High Byte: {hex(high_byte)}")
            print(f"Low Byte: {hex(low_byte)}")
        else:
            # For other test cases, use zero bytes for the second two bytes
            data_to_send = bytes([test_case_ascii, 0x00, 0x00])
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CSV File

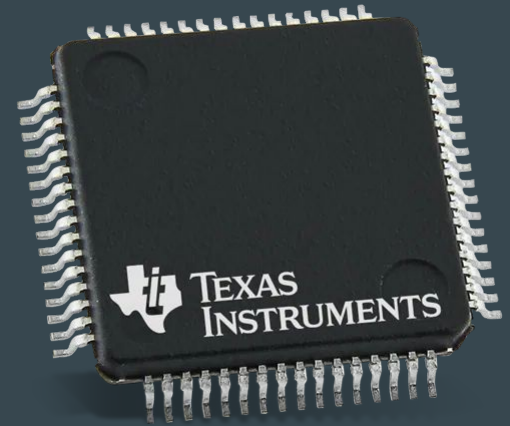
Temp (C)	Temp (F)	RTD Resistance (Ohms)	Current (mA)	Vin (mV)	Delta V (mV)	DAC code	DAC Code Binary	DAC Code Hex	Sim Voltage (mV)
0	32	100	4.737091426	473.7091426	0	12418	11000010000010	3082	473.7091064
2	35.6	100.781429	4.730087678	476.7049955	2.995852946	12497	11000011010001	30D1	476.7227173
4	39.2	101.562396	4.723108733	479.6902395	2.985243954	12575	11000100011111	311F	479.6981812
6	42.8	102.342901	4.716154461	482.6649291	2.974689657	12653	11000101101101	316D	482.673645
8	46.4	103.122944	4.709224737	485.6291188	2.964189678	12730	11000110111010	31BA	485.6109619
10	50	103.902525	4.702319433	488.5828625	2.953743643	12808	11001000001000	3208	488.5864258
12	53.6	104.681644	4.695438425	491.5262136	2.943351182	12885	11001001010101	3255	491.5237427
14	57.2	105.460301	4.688581588	494.4592256	2.933011928	12962	11001010100010	32A2	494.4610596
16	60.8	106.238496	4.681748799	497.3819511	2.922725517	13039	11001011101111	32EF	497.3983765
18	64.4	107.016229	4.674939935	500.2944427	2.912491587	13115	11001100111011	333B	500.2975464
20	68	107.7935	4.668154874	503.1967525	2.902309781	13191	11001110000111	3387	503.1967163
22	71.6	108.570309	4.661393496	506.0889322	2.892179744	13267	11001111010011	33D3	506.0958862
24	75.2	109.346656	4.654655679	508.9710333	2.882101124	13342	11010000011110	341E	508.9569092
26	78.8	110.122541	4.647941305	511.8431069	2.872073571	13418	11010001101010	346A	511.8560791
28	82.4	110.897964	4.641250254	514.7052036	2.862096741	13493	11010010110101	34B5	514.7171021
30	86	111.672925	4.63458241	517.5573739	2.85217029	13567	11010011111111	34FF	517.539978
32	89.6	112.447424	4.627937656	520.3996678	2.842293879	13642	11010101001010	354A	520.401001
34	93.2	113.221461	4.621315874	523.232135	2.832467168	13716	11010110010100	3594	523.223877
36	96.8	113.995036	4.61471695	526.0548248	2.822689826	13790	11010111011110	35DE	526.0467529
38	100.4	114.768149	4.608140768	528.8677863	2.812961519	13864	11010111011110	35DE	528.8696289

Example Test

```
PS C:\Users\haber> cd "C:\Users\haber\Downloads\Iowa State\Senior Design"
PS C:\Users\haber\Downloads\Iowa State\Senior Design> python TestBoardConfiguration.py
Enter COM port (e.g., COM3): COM4
Select Test Case:
    0: Short Circuit
    1: Open Circuit
    2: Over Voltage
    3: Test Temperature
Your choice: 3
Enter RTD value:
    0: 100 Ohm
    1: 1K Ohm
Your choice: 0
Enter a temperature value in Fahrenheit (Between 32 & 252): 70
Closest matching temperature: 71.6 F
DAC Code Decimal: 13267
DAC Code Binary: 11001111010011
DAC Code Hex: 3387
Simulated Voltage: 503.1967163 mV
Test case: 0x3
High Byte: 0x33
Low Byte: 0xd3
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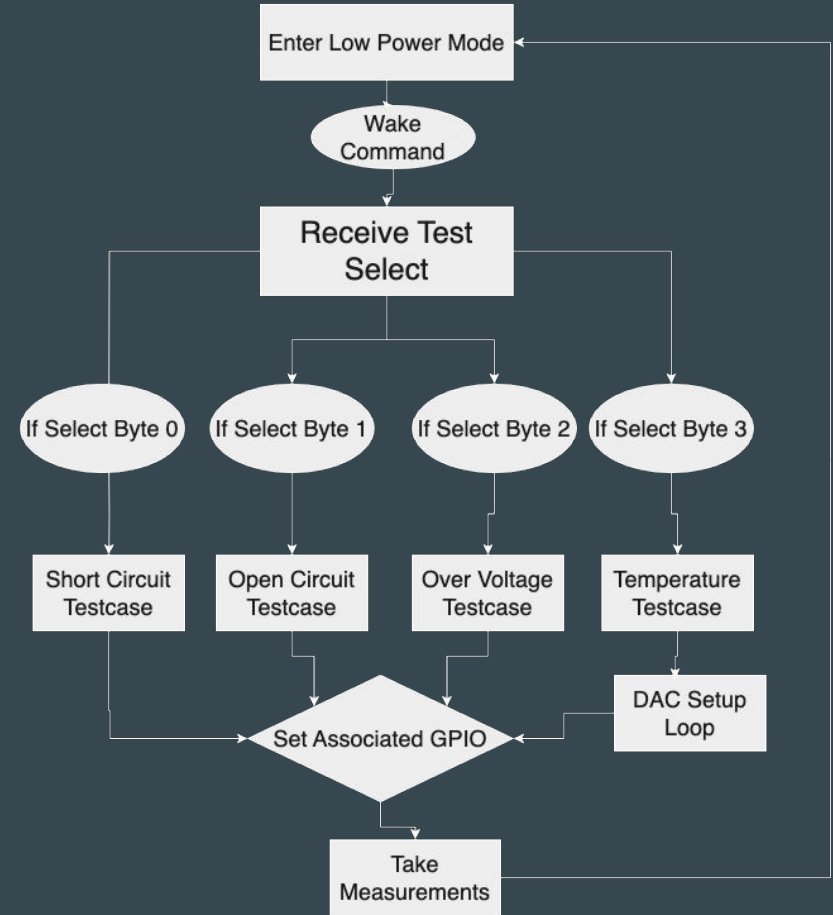
Host to MCU Requirements

- MCU code needs to handle data sent by Host
- MSP430 microcontroller in C
- Wait for Host to send complete package
- Confirm to user test case was set
- Set test conditions



MCU Code Block Diagram

- MCU is in low power mode
- Wakes and begins processing
- Checks first byte
- Goes into test case loop
- Sets GPIO pins for condition



Example Loop Breakdown

- Example of Open test case
- Waits for 3 bytes
 - Processes first byte
- Sets associated GPIO pins
- Send confirmation string for debug
- Sets two LEDs for user confirmation

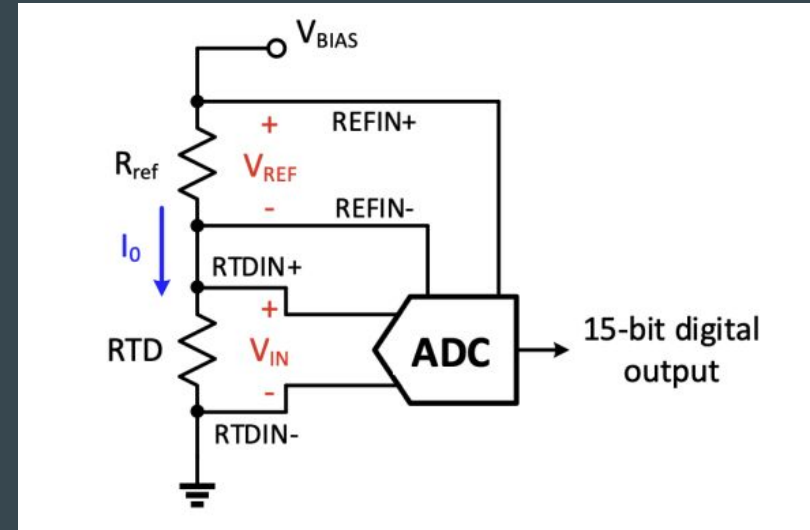
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else if (temp[0] == '1') {
    UART_sendString((uint8_t *)"1: Open circuit case selected\n\r");
    //UART_sendString((uint8_t *)"Received first byte 1\n\r");
    GPIO_setOutputHighOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P1, GPIO_PIN0);

    //setting pins for an open case
    GPIO_setOutputHighOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P1, GPIO_PIN5); //P1.5 Low
    GPIO_setOutputHighOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P1, GPIO_PIN4); //P1.4 High
    GPIO_setOutputHighOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P1, GPIO_PIN3); //P1.3 High
    GPIO_setOutputLowOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P1, GPIO_PIN2); //P1.2 Low
    UART_sendString((uint8_t *)"GPIO pins 1.4 and 1.3 set high\n\r");

}
```


Temperature Simulation

- Find voltage drop across RTD
- Calculate DAC code needed to produce voltage
- Store DAC code as two bytes
- Load code into DAC one byte at a time



$$R(T) = R_0(1 + aT + bT^2 + c(T - 100)T^3)$$

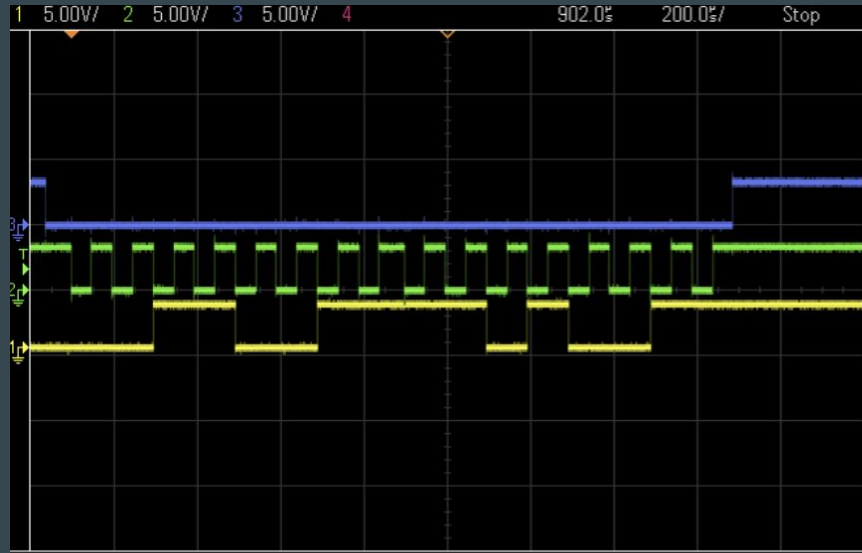
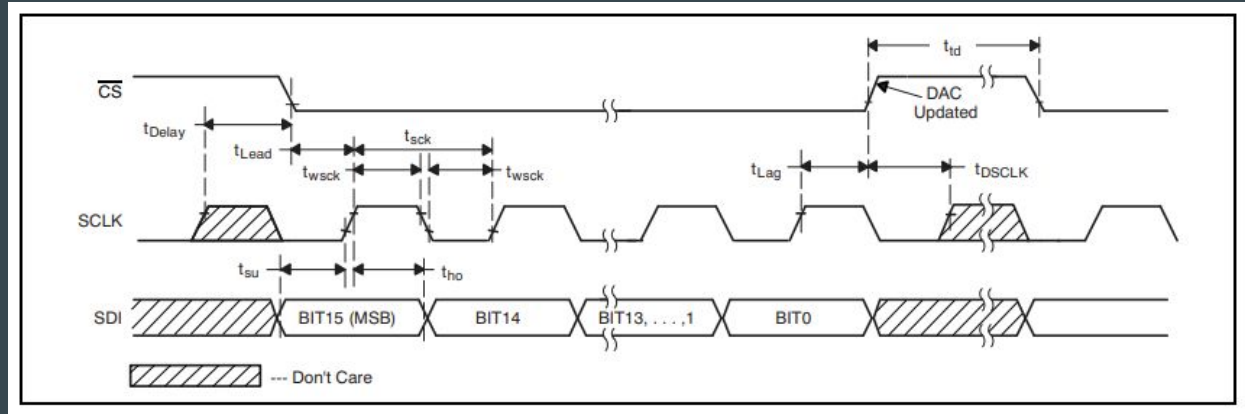
OUTPUT RANGE

The output of the DAC is

$$V_{OUT} = (V_{REF} \times \text{Code})/65536.$$

Loading the DAC

- Set chip select low
- Send data on falling edge
- Read data on rising edge
- Latch data when chip select is set high



DAC Output Script

```
while (1) {
    __no_operation();

    if (dataReady) {
        dataReady = false;

        if (temp[0] == '3') {
            UART_sendString((uint8_t *)"3. Temperature select case selected\n\r");
            GPIO_setOutputHighOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P1, GPIO_PIN0);
            UART_sendString((uint8_t *)"First Byte: 3\n\r");

            //USCI_A0 TX buffer ready?
            while (!USCI_B_SPI_getInterruptStatus(USCI_B0_BASE,
                USCI_B_SPI_TRANSMIT_INTERRUPT)) ;

            __no_operation();

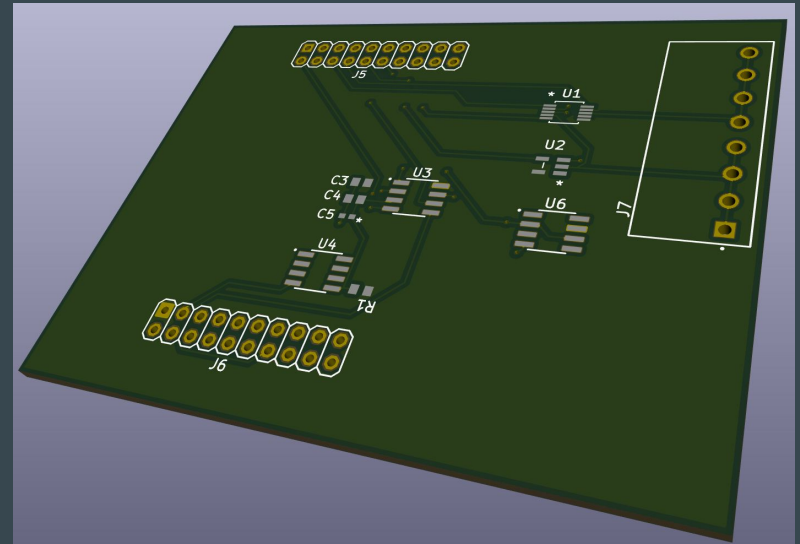
            //Transmit Data to slave
            GPIO_setOutputLowOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P2, GPIO_PIN5);
            __delay_cycles(40);
            USCI_B_SPI_transmitData(USCI_B0_BASE, temp[1]); //Load high byte into DAC
            __delay_cycles(800);
            while (!USCI_B_SPI_getInterruptStatus(USCI_B0_BASE,
                USCI_B_SPI_TRANSMIT_INTERRUPT)) ;

            USCI_B_SPI_transmitData(USCI_B0_BASE, temp[2]); //Load low byte into DAC
            __delay_cycles(800);
            GPIO_setOutputHighOnPin(GPIO_PORT_P2, GPIO_PIN5);
            __delay_cycles(40); //Delay to let DAC settle
        }
    }
}
```

Hardware

PCB Design Requirements

- Data lines need to be stable
- Power into sensitive components needs to be clean
- Outputs easily accessible and usable
- Able to be connected to MSP430 Launchpad
- Avoid backfeeding during short and open circuit testing



Results

Progress / Outcomes

- Software and hardware have been developed
- Requirements met
 - Uses standard USB
 - Test open, short and over-voltage conditions in RTD
- Requirements partially met
 - Test Modbus communication
- Requirements not met
 - Simulates temperature value
 - Measure accuracy of MAX chip
 - Test surge protection

Future Work

- Need to be able to sweep through all tests
- Test Surge protection
- Test Modbus communication protocol
- Incorporate faster connection changes for testing

Questions?