

DESIGN OF A MULTI FUNCTIONAL MOBILE ROBOT

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COMPETITION OVERVIEW

➤ Five Events

- The Tennis Ball Throw
- The Golf Hit
- The Lift
- The Sprint
- The Stair Climb

➤ Project Objective

- Design a multi-functional robot capable of lifting, throwing, and hitting while maintaining a high degree of mobility



Figure 1: American Society of Mechanical Engineers

COMPETITION CONSTRAINTS

- 50 cm x 50 cm x 50 cm Box

- Must contain:

- Robot

- Weight to be lifted

- Batteries

- Controller

- All Energy Must Be Returned To Its Original Form

- This includes:

- Compressed Air

- Springs

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- Background Research
- Brainstorming
- Design Generation
- **Component Selection**
- **Preliminary Testing**
- Assembly
- Optimization
- Compete
- Win

← Current Standing

↓ Future Progress

DESIGN SELECTION

House of Quality

- Success is dependent on:
 - Power consumption
 - Mass of lifted object
 - Strength of frame
 - Battery capacity

Morphological Chart/ Pugh Matrix

- Primary Power Sources: Electric/Compressed Air
- Hit: Golf Club Head on Vane Actuator
- Sprint: Pneumatic Projectile
- Climb: Chaos Frame
- Lift: Pneumatic Pistons
- Throw: Air Cannon

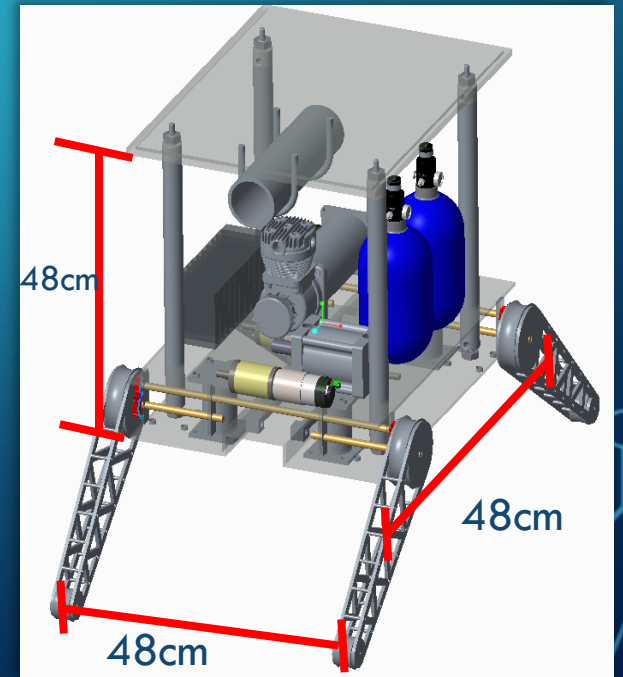


Figure 2: Original Design Selection

STRESS ANALYSIS: VON-MISES STRESS

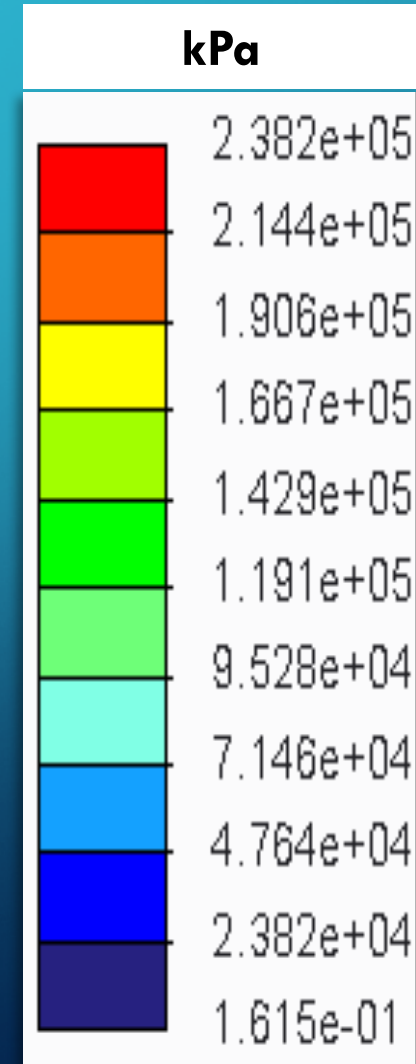
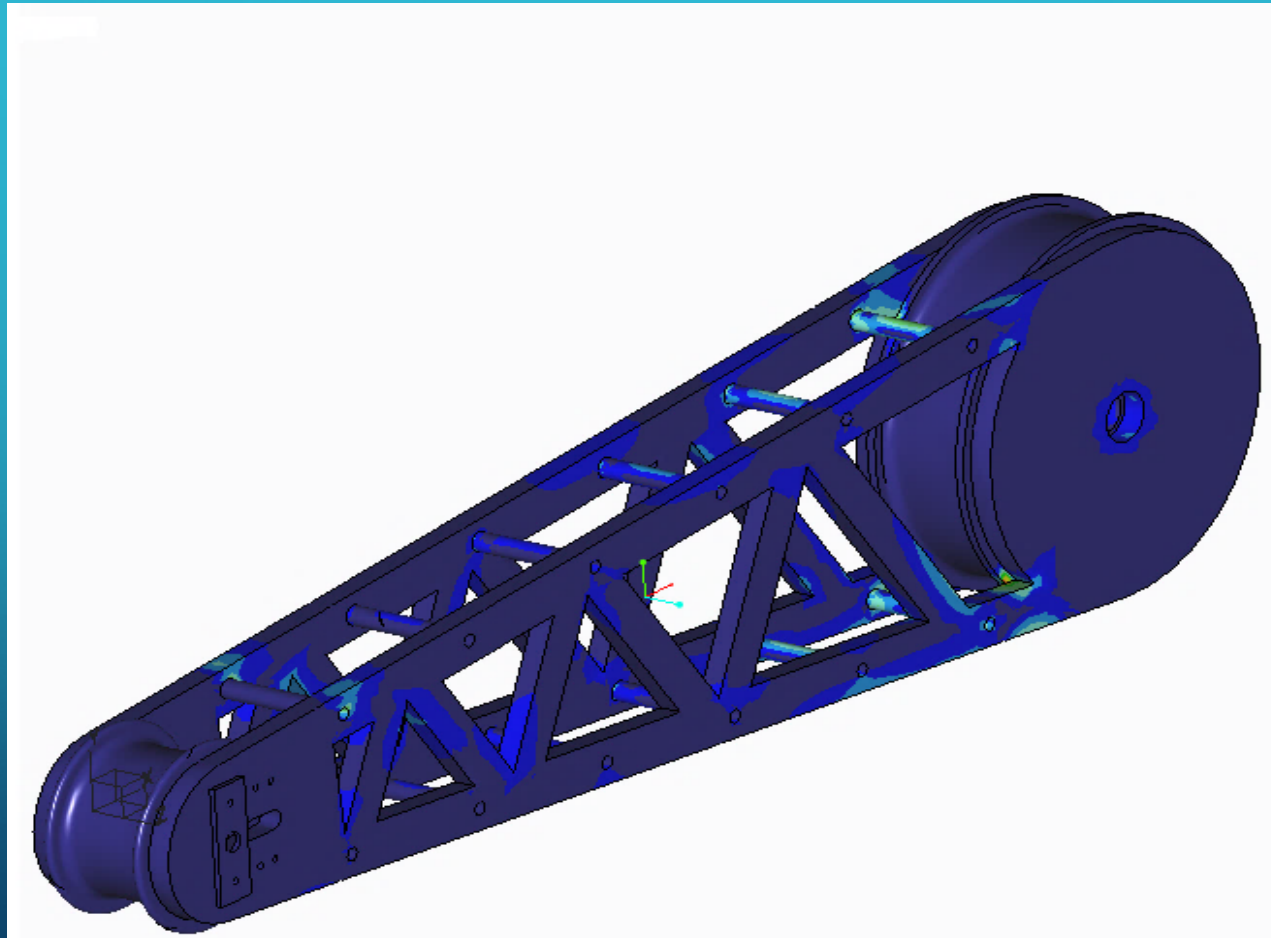


Figure 3: Stress Analysis on Track Arm

FURTHER DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

➤ The Lift

➤ Air Jacks

- Less expensive
- Lower level of complexity

➤ Object To Be Lifted

➤ Modular weight

➤ The Sprint

➤ Motorized Measuring Tape Concept



Figure 4: BushRanger Air Jack

FURTHER DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

➤ The Throw

- Cannon testing
 - Preliminary prototype

➤ The Climb

- Tread selection
 - Cost effective
 - Flexible

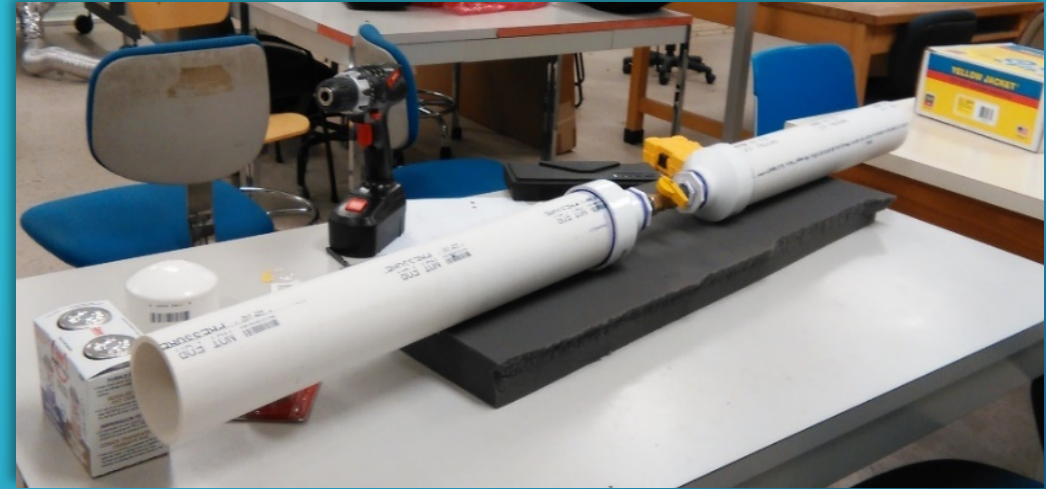


Figure 5: Cannon Test Rig

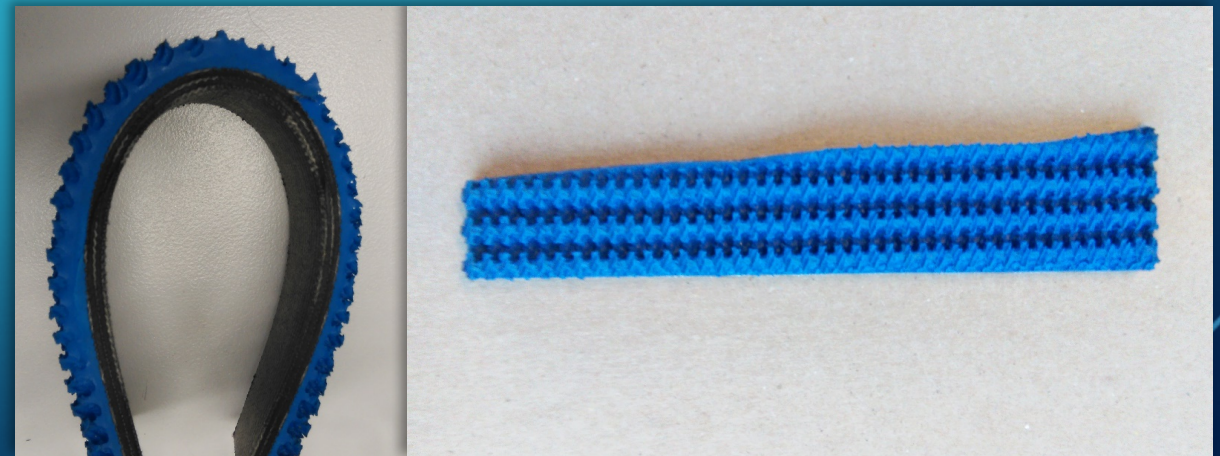


Figure 6: Tread Material Sample

USB SHIELD ARDUINO MICROCONTROLLER

- Can communicate and support USB Hub Functions.
- Power
 - 500mA max current when powered by power supply.
 - Lightweight with a 5V operating voltage.
- For relay-based DC motor control applications.
- Six pins for PWM.



Figure 7: USB Bluetooth Dongle

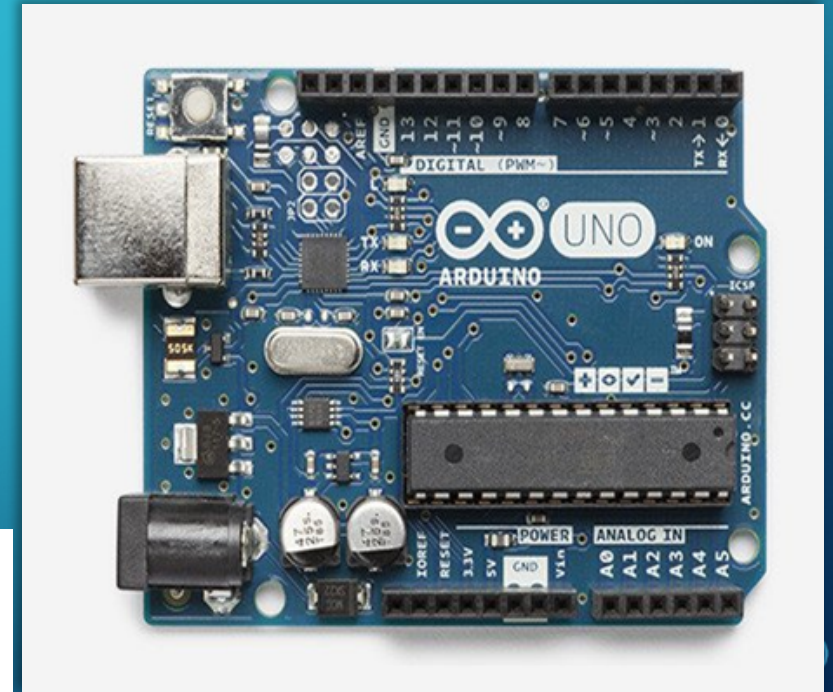


Figure 8: Arduino Uno Microcontroller

USB SHIELD ARDUINO MICROCONTROLLER – CONT'D.

- Hosts an external power supply along with a USB hub and Vin pin for power
- Supplies 14 digital pins/6 power pins/6 analog pins
- Digital pins can be used as I/O pins

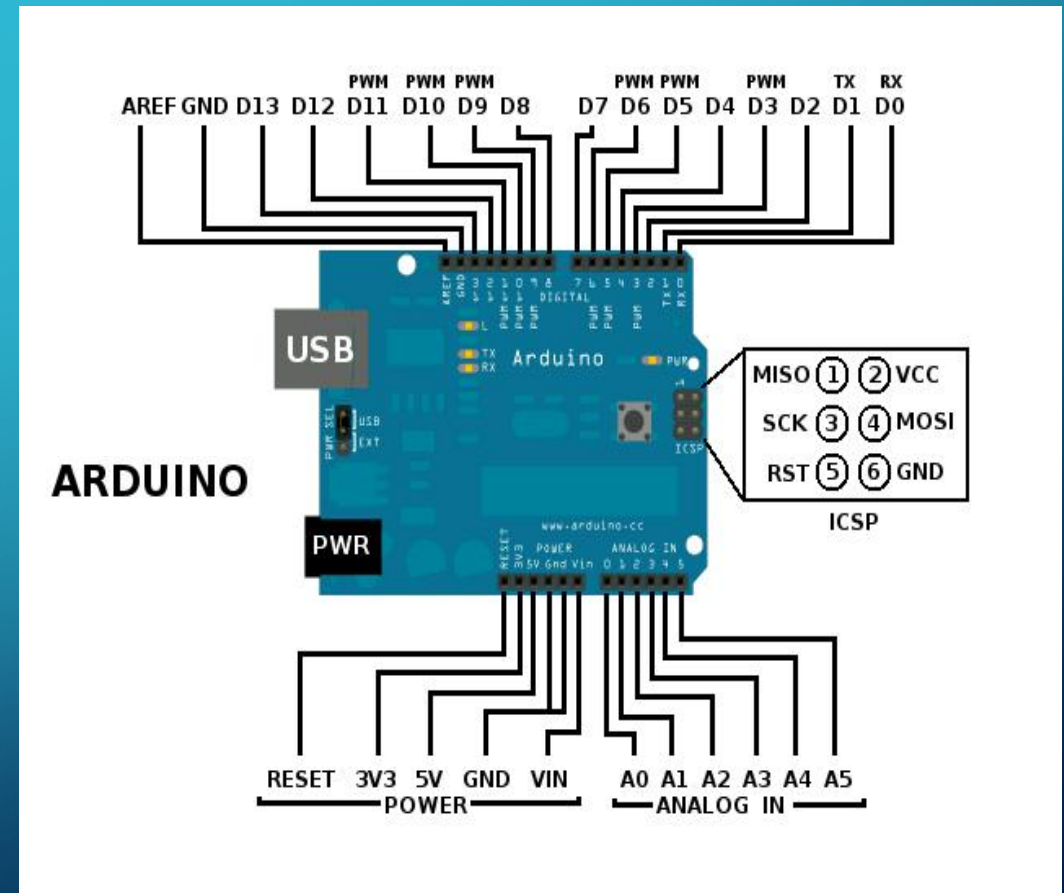


Figure 9: Pin I/O Assignment

CODING/TESTING MICROCONTROLLER

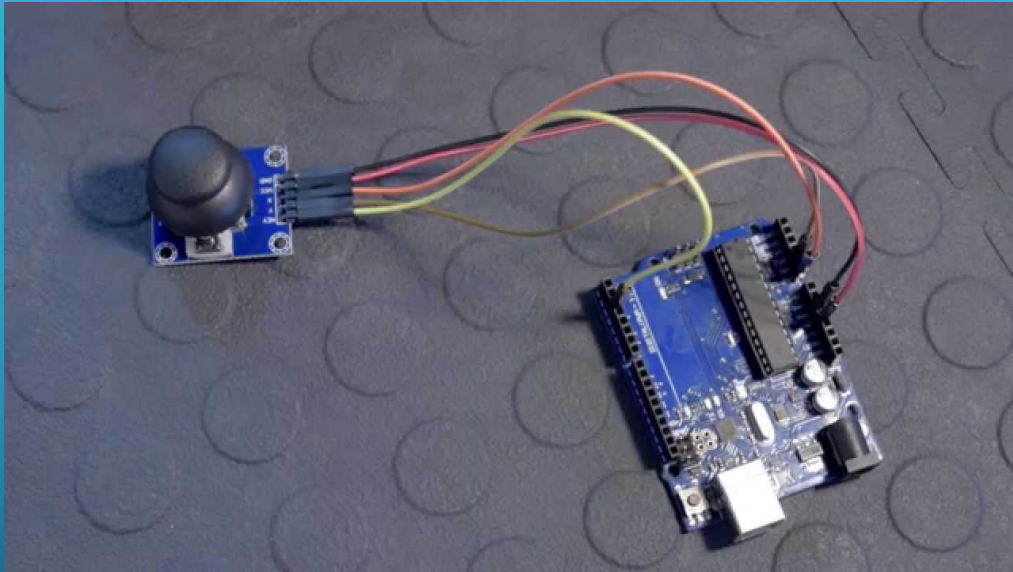


Figure 10: Joy Stick sensor connected to arduino MCU

- Coding/Debugging the microcontroller to control our robot
- Checking on the efficiency of every event based on the given code and electrical components used
- Determining the sensitivity of our controls with respect to the potentiometer

PULSE WIDTH MODULATION (PWM) FOR DC MOTOR

- Input To Output For DC Motors
- Playstation 3 Six-Axis Controller

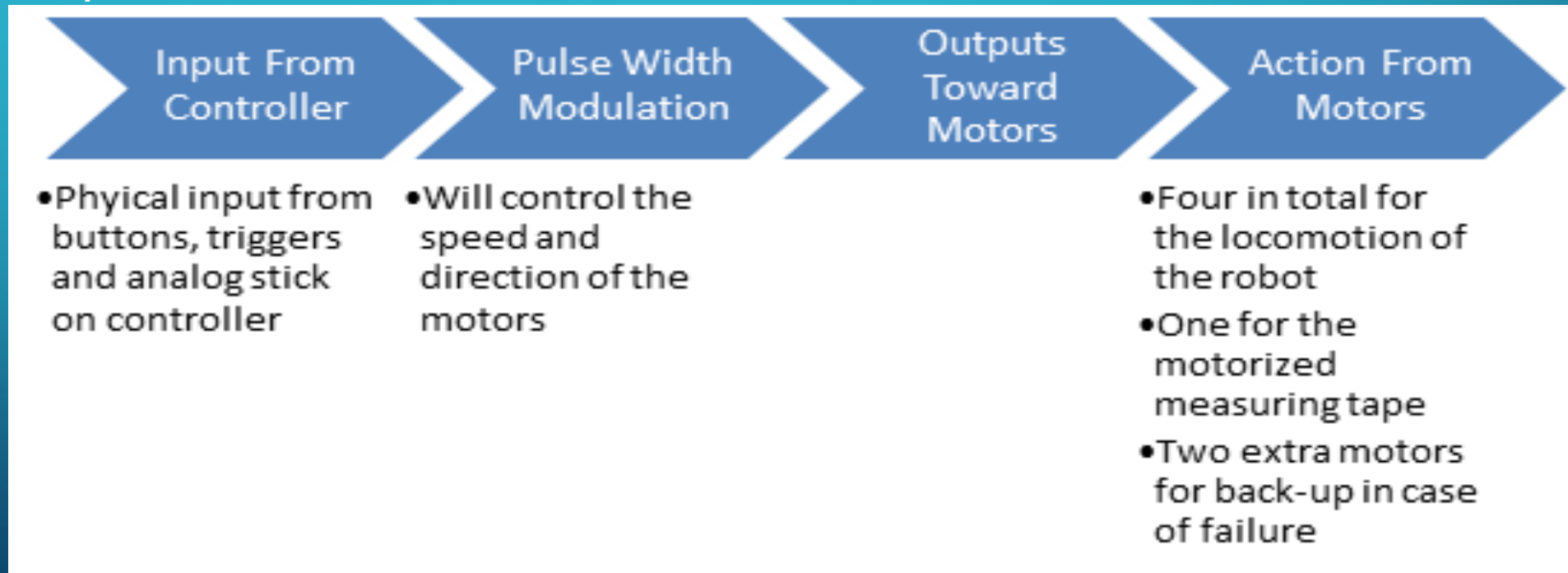


Figure 11: Flow Chart of PWM Motor based on user input

MOTOR SELECTION

➤ Primary Motor

- 9015 motor with a 27:1 planetary gearbox
- Used to control the tracks on the arms
- Speed is determined based on sensitivity of the analog stick on controller
- Events
 - Sprint and Stair climb



Figure 12: 9015 Motor

➤ Secondary Motor

- RS775 motor with a 188:1 planetary gearbox
- Used to control the rotation of the arms
- Can rotate the arm 360° clockwise or counter-clockwise.
- Events
 - Stair climb and Hit



Figure 13: RS775 Motor

MOTOR CONNECTIONS

➤ Operation

- 12V source
- 5V input signal
 - Encoders for channel A and B

➤ Direction Of Shaft Rotation

- Based on direction of current flow into the device

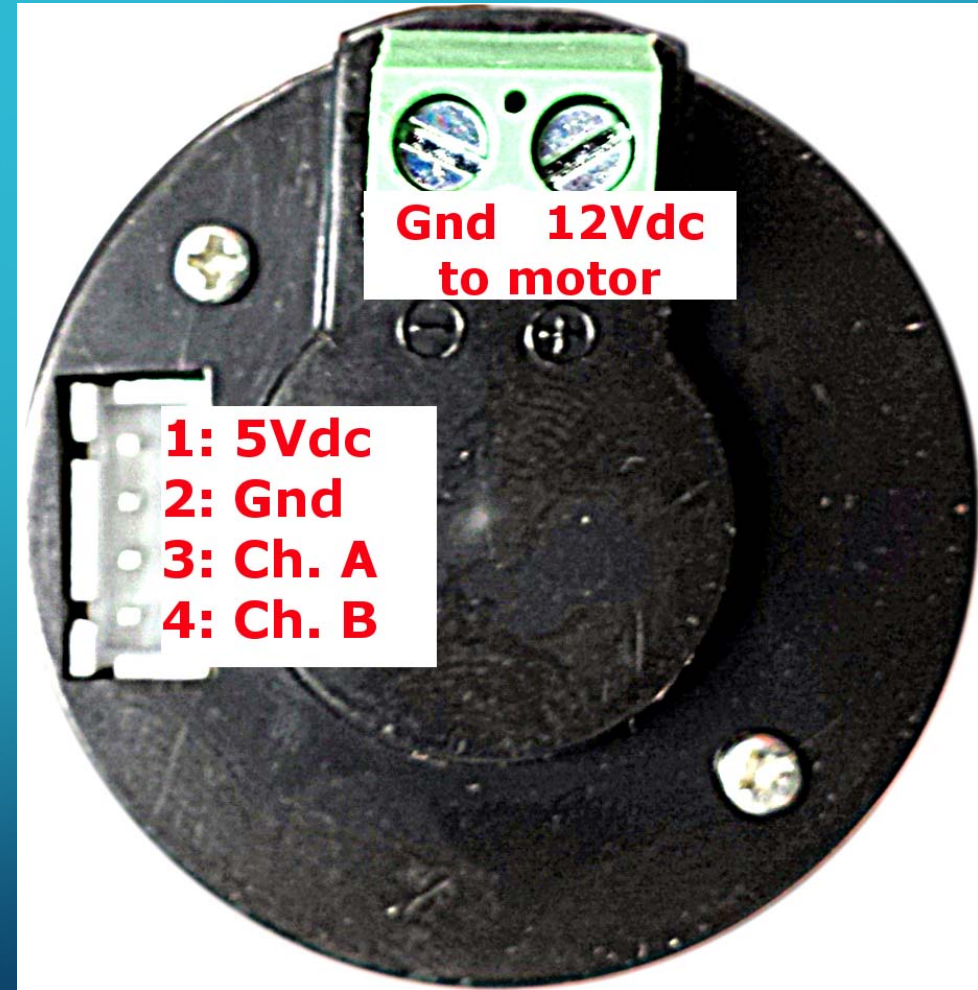


Figure 14: Pin I/O Assignment

BATTERIES

➤ Lithium Polymer Batteries

- Small dimensions
- Quickly recharge
- High energy density

➤ Alternative Choice: Nickel Metal Hydride

- Discharge rate
- User friendliness
 - Much safer



Figure 15: Lithium Polymer Battery

DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS

➤ Multiple Batteries In Parallel

- Increase the current output
- Balance between efficiency and power consumption
- Disadvantages
 - More to recharge
 - Self discharge
 - Specific charging requirements
 - Several parts will stop working at different times

RELAY CIRCUIT

- **General Purpose Motor Relay Circuit**
 - Electromechanical switch at 12V
 - Synchronizes two motors for movement
- **Effective Switching Mechanism**
 - Each motor connected to relay circuit
 - Effective in setting up controller
 - Isolating and catching faults during commands
- **Low Power Signal**
 - Used to control the circuit

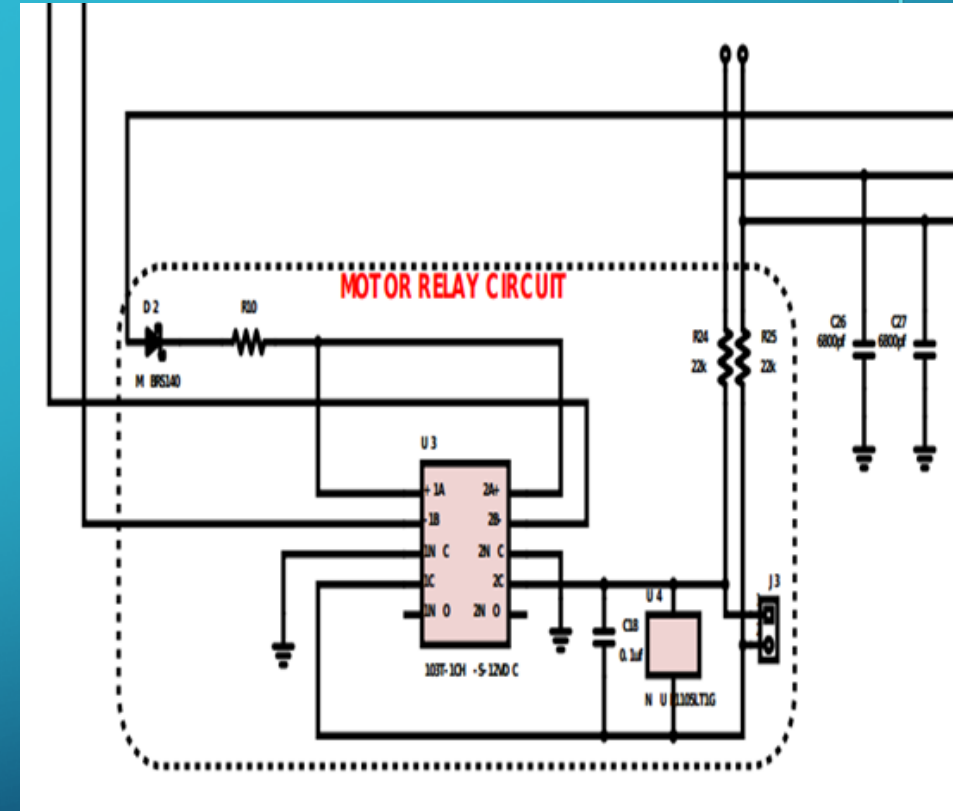


Figure 16: Motor Relay Circuit Diagram

FUTURE GOALS

➤ Short-Term Goals

- Prototyping
 - Event Prototyping
- Finalizing Component Selection
 - Order necessary parts
- Stress/Failure Analysis
 - Machining/Manufacturing

➤ Long-Term Goals

- Assembly
- Preliminary platform testing

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The background is a solid teal color. In the four corners, there are decorative white line-art patterns resembling circuit traces or neural network connections. These patterns consist of straight lines of varying lengths and angles, ending in small open circles.

QUESTIONS?