



# **INTER IIT TECH MEET 14.0**

## **Autonomous Rover for Warehouse Rack Inventory Management**

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# 1 Executive Summary

## 1.1 Problem Statement

The objective of this project is to develop an autonomous wheeled-mobile robot capable of navigating complex warehouse environments while performing reliable vertical scanning operations on storage racks. Modern warehouses require fast, accurate, and automated inventory monitoring across multiple rack levels; however, manual scanning is slow, error-prone, and unsafe when working at elevated heights.

To address this need, the robot must be able to:

- Autonomously traverse warehouse aisles.
- Detect and localize storage racks.
- Capture QR-based inventory information at varying elevations.

A key requirement is the ability to perform vertical scanning up to 2 meters, ensuring full coverage of typical warehouse shelving systems. The system must integrate perception, motion control, vertical actuation, and human-machine interaction while maintaining safe operation, real-time performance, and robust communication within indoor environments.



Figure 1: Inventory Scanning

## 1.2 Proposed Solution

We propose a robust differential-drive two-wheeled robot with a scissor lift mechanism for vertical traversal. The key elements of the solution are:

- **Compute and Control**
  - Industry-grade SBC: **Jetson AGX Xavier**.
  - Microcontroller: **ESP32 DevKit** for real-time motor control and I/O.

- Supports complex onboard computation and over-the-air software updates.
- **3D Perception**
  - **Intel RealSense D455i** RGB-D camera.
  - Generates dense depth maps to build dynamic 3D maps of the environment.
  - Enables navigation in both known and unknown warehouses.
- **Vertical Scanning**
  - **Scissor lift mechanism** mounted centrally on the chassis.
  - Provides precise vertical motion with high positional repeatability.
  - Supports QR scanning at multiple rack levels up to 2 m.
- **Integrated, Modular System**
  - Mechanical, electrical, and software components co-designed for competition constraints.
  - Modular interfaces allow future upgrades in perception, control, or lift mechanisms.

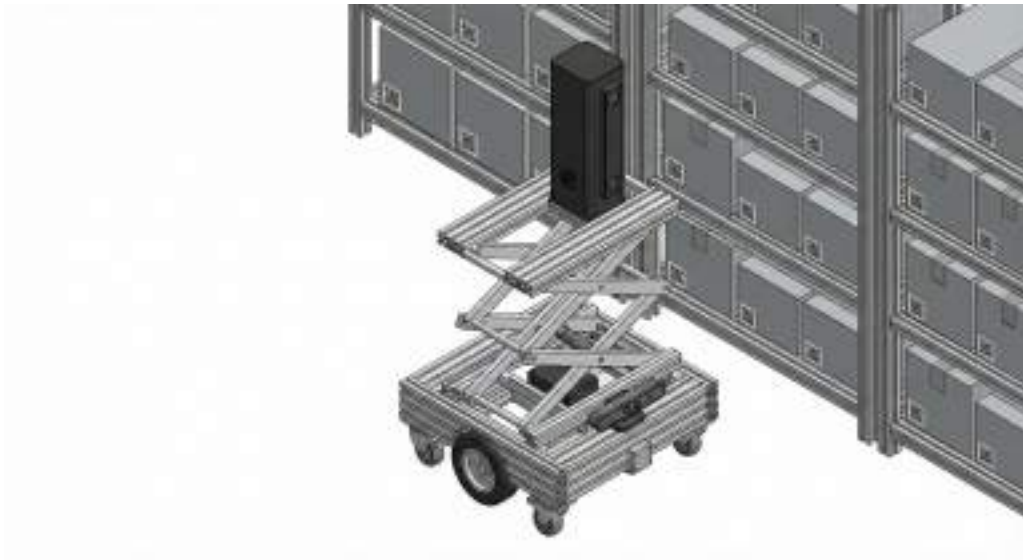


Figure 2: Proposed Solution

### 1.3 Metrics

Feature	Accuracy / Performance
Lateral Positional Accuracy	$\pm 2$ cm
Vertical Positional Accuracy	$\pm 10$ cm
QR Scanning Accuracy	96%
QR Scanning Time (per QR)	2 s

Table 1: System Metrics

## 1.4 Unique Selling Point / Innovation

- **Compact, Competition-Optimized Form Factor**

- Rover footprint:  $570 \times 355$  mm, mass  $\approx 20$  kg.
- Satisfies  $600 \times 450 \times 25$  kg competition limits.
- Still accommodates a four-stage lift and dual-camera system.

- **Precision Differential Drive**

- Two powered wheels plus front and rear ball casters form a diamond-shaped 4-point support polygon.
- Enables zero turning radius and reliable lateral stability near racks.

- **Remote Access via Mobile App**

- In-house mobile application for robot discovery and connection.
- Provides teleoperation, live video, and inventory data.

- **Modular Top Plane**

- Top plane supports multiple mounts and toolings.
- Hardware can be reconfigured quickly for different warehouse tasks.



Figure 3: USPs

## 2 Problem Understanding and Motivation

### 2.1 Challenges Faced in Warehouses

- **Inventory Management**

- Manual entry and poor tracking in large warehouses.
- Inaccurate inventory counts leading to stockouts and overstocking.

- **Labour-Related Issues**
  - Long walking distances and repetitive tasks cause fatigue and errors.
  - Skilled human resources are underutilized on low-skill scanning tasks.
- **Large-Scale Operations**
  - Scaling manual audits across large facilities is difficult and expensive.
- **Safety Risks**
  - High-rack inspection with ladders or lifts is hazardous.
  - Interaction with heavy loads and moving equipment increases risk.
- **Limited Optimisation**
  - Human-driven workflows restrict algorithmic optimisation.
  - Difficult to systematically improve throughput, safety, and efficiency.
- **Data and Visibility Gaps**
  - No real-time visibility into stock positions.
  - Poor analytics for reorder points, KPIs, and performance tracking.



Figure 4: Warehouse Challenges

## 2.2 Current Solution Gaps

- **Slow and Inconsistent Inventory Checks**
  - Manual audits can take 10–15 minutes per rack.
  - Updates are infrequent and often inconsistent.
- **High Error and Mismatch Rates**
  - Human counting introduces 1–3% errors.

- This leads to 30–50% stock mismatches and incorrect replenishments.
- **No Real-Time Visibility**
  - Inventory data is only updated after audits.
  - Causes both stockouts and overstocking, hurting service levels.
- **Safety and Scalability Limits**
  - Ladder-based high-rack checks are unsafe.
  - Reliance on manual labour makes it hard to scale across warehouses.

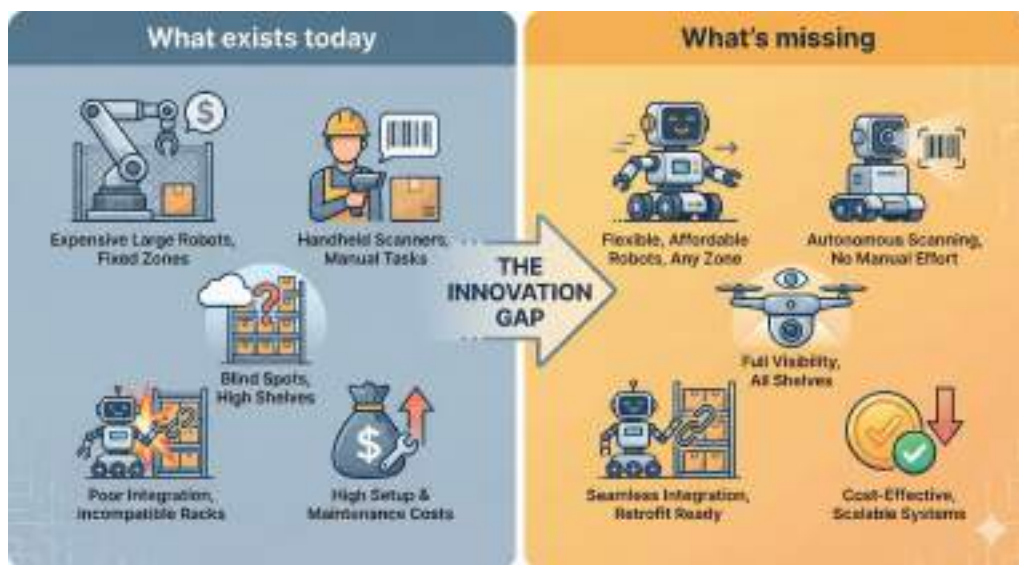


Figure 5: Solution Gaps

## 2.3 Value Proposition

- **80% Faster Inventory Audits**
  - Rover scans racks in under 3 minutes per aisle.
  - Reduces manual audit time from 10–15 minutes.
  - Enables continuous, near real-time visibility.
- **High Scan Accuracy**
  - > 95% consistency and > 90% QR accuracy.
  - Significantly reduces stock mismatches and missed items.
- **Operational Uplift**
  - 4–7% improvement in order fulfilment accuracy.
  - Fewer stockouts and better replenishment timing.
- **Cost Savings**
  - Estimated savings of 12–20 lakh per warehouse annually.



- Reduced labour costs, wastage, and discrepancy overheads.
- **Safe, Reliable Operation**
  - Eliminates ladder-based inspections.
  - Complies with safety constraints in the problem statement.
- **Scalable Deployment**
  - < 25 kg hardware and 600 mm footprint.
  - Can be rolled out across dark stores and distribution centres.
- **Digitised Inventory Records**
  - Generates structured QR-linked logs and 1080p visual datasets.
  - Provides a rich base for downstream analytics.
- **Future-Ready Infrastructure**
  - Supports anomaly detection, demand forecasting, and autonomous stock management.
  - Aligns with long-term intelligent warehousing roadmap.

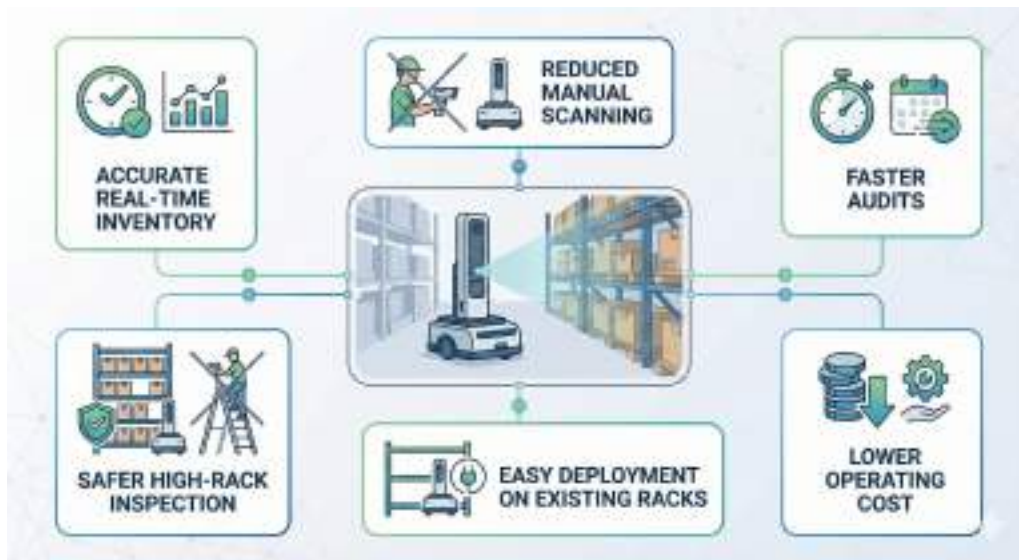


Figure 6: Value Proposition

## 2.4 Competition Objectives

The major competition objectives are summarised below:

- **Navigation and Positioning**
  - Horizontal positioning accuracy of  $\pm 10$  cm.
  - Vertical positioning accuracy of  $\pm 2$  cm.
  - Obstacle detection within a 5 m range.

- Path planning time under 3 s for real-time operation.
- Emergency stop response under 500 ms.
- **Scanning Performance**
  - Vertical scanning of each rack in less than 3 minutes.
  - Image resolution of at least  $1920 \times 1080$  pixels with minimal motion blur.
  - Scanning repeatability greater than 95%.
  - Detection of  $5 \times 5$  cm QR codes with more than 90% success rate.



Figure 7: Competition Objectives

### 3 System Architecture



Figure 8: System Architecture – HW + SW Block Diagram



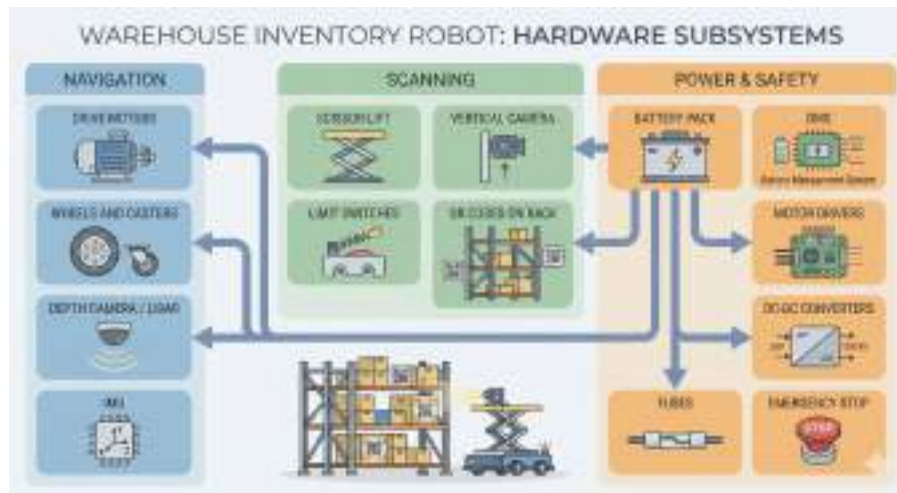


Figure 9: Hardware Subsystems – Navigation, Scanning, Power



Figure 10: Software Stack – SLAM, QR, HMI

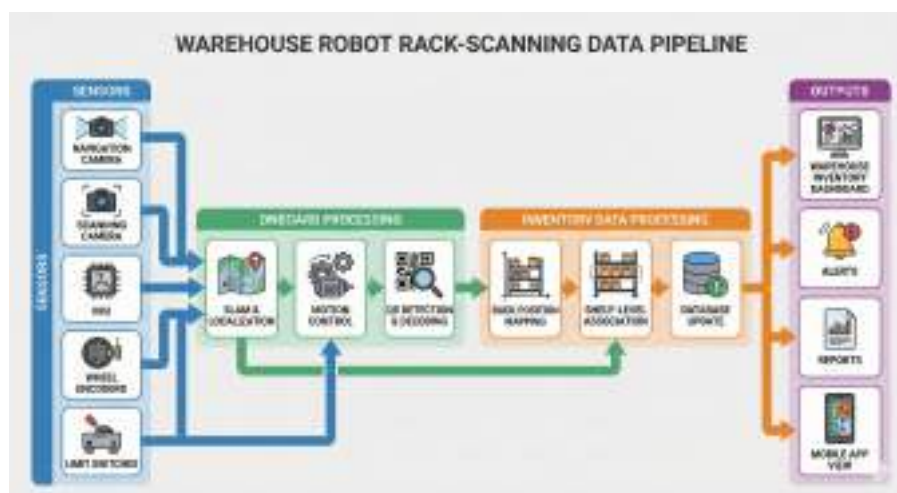


Figure 11: Data Flow Diagram – Sensing to Inventory Output

## 4 Hardware Design

### 4.1 Chassis and Overall Layout

The chassis is designed to satisfy footprint, mass, and stability constraints while providing a rigid base for the drive and lift subsystems. This ensures safe navigation in narrow aisles while supporting the full lift height.

- **Footprint and Mass**

- Dimensions:  $570 \times 355 \times 145$  mm with 25 mm ground clearance.
- Total mass:  $\approx 20$  kg, within  $600 \times 450 \times 25$  kg competition limits.
- Compact footprint improves aisle compatibility while maintaining stability.

- **Frame Construction**

- $20 \times 20$  mm anodised 6062 aluminium T-slot profiles.
- Joints implemented using L-clamps and M4 hammer bolts.
- T-slots support flexible mounting and rapid reconfiguration.

- **Closed-Box Topology**

- Two structural faces (top and bottom) connected by eight vertical members.
- Closed-box layout improves bending and torsional stiffness.
- Avoids complex diagonal bracing and simplifies fabrication.

- **Operating Envelope and Stability**

- Heavy components placed low and centrally to maintain a low centre of gravity.
- Geometry tuned for anti-tip behaviour even with the lift extended.
- Compatible with typical warehouse rack spacing and aisle widths.

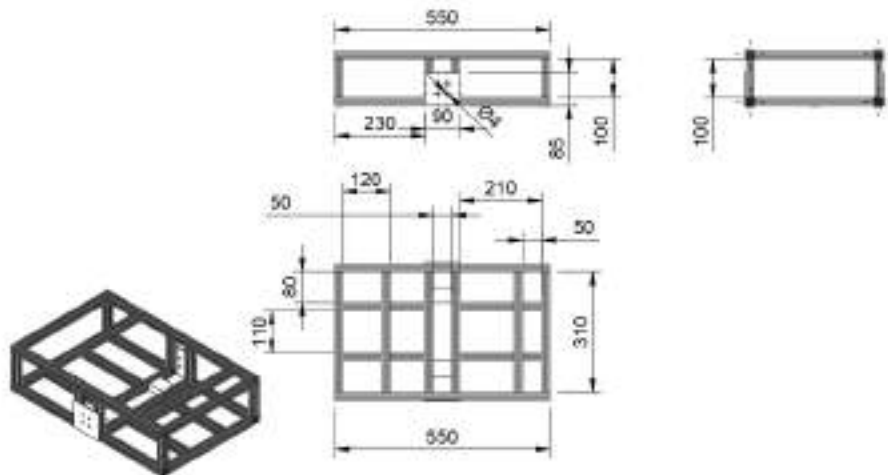


Figure 12: Chassis CAD with motor mounts

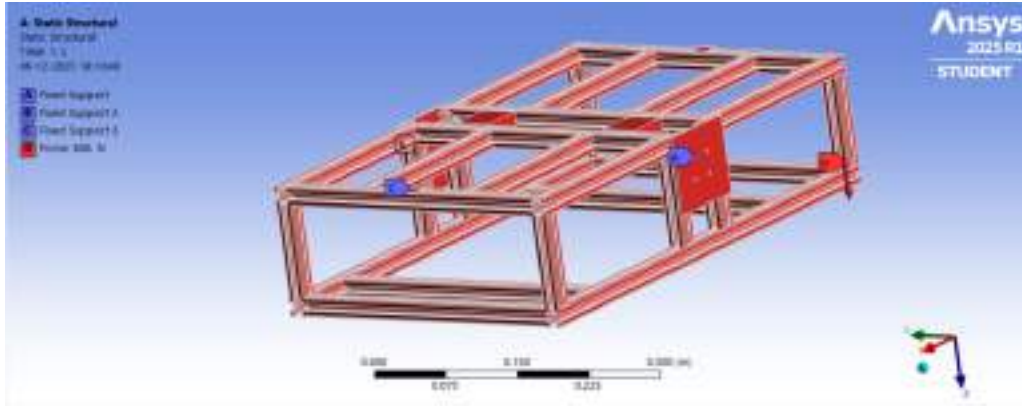


Figure 13: Uniform Vertical Loading

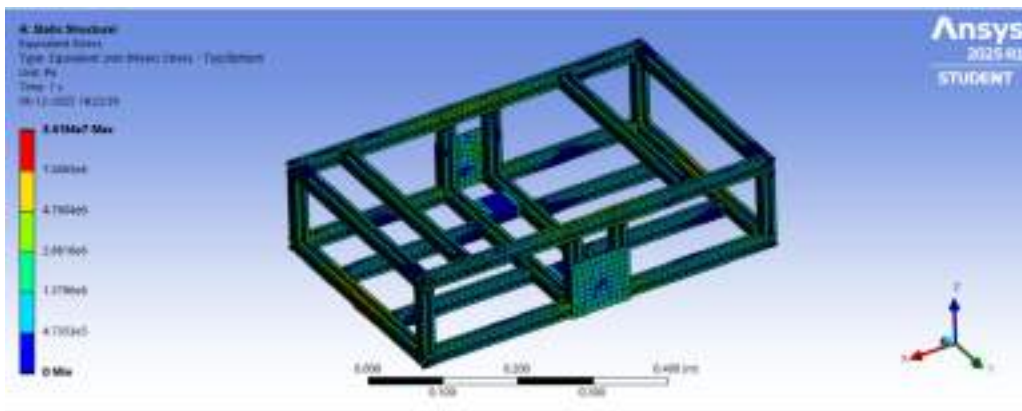


Figure 14: Stress under Load

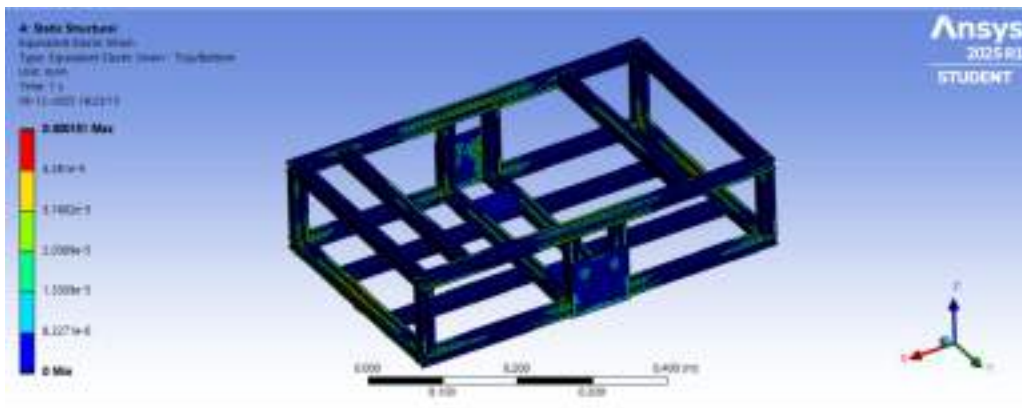


Figure 15: Strain under Load

## 4.2 X–Y Motion Hardware (Horizontal Locomotion)

The locomotion system is based on a 2-wheel differential drive supported by two casters. This architecture combines manoeuvrability, simplicity, and stability.

- **Locomotion Concept and Wheel Configuration**

- Two direct-drive DC motors on the main wheels.

- Two metal ball casters (front and rear) forming a 4-point support polygon.
- Diamond support footprint supports zero turning radius and tight manoeuvres.
- **Drive Wheels**
  - Diameter: 100 mm; width: 25 mm.
  - Plastic rim with rubber tread for grip on smooth floors.
  - Smaller diameter helps manage ground clearance and chassis height.
- **Caster Wheels**
  - Metal ball casters ( $49 \times 32 \times 21$  mm) mounted on the longitudinal centreline.
  - One caster at the front and one at the rear.
  - Omnidirectional behaviour eliminates need for steering linkages.
- **Why This Configuration**
  - Simplicity with fewer moving parts than Ackermann or mecanum systems.
  - Stable centre of gravity within the support polygon under dynamic conditions.
  - Uses standard COTS components for easy procurement and maintenance.
- **Drivetrain Architecture and Motor Selection**
  - Direct-drive layout with motors coupled directly to wheels via 8 mm hardened shafts and keyed/set-screw hubs.
  - Minimises backlash and transmission losses, improving positioning accuracy.
  - Motors: RMCS 2012 (18 V DC, 39 kg·cm torque, 1:25 planetary gearbox).
  - Holding torque  $\sim 200$  kg·cm with integrated encoders ( $\sim 1300$  CPR at wheel).
  - Adequate torque margin for small floor irregularities and controlled acceleration.
- **Max Acceleration Without Toppling**
  - Important Parameters
    - Mass of the bot = 15 kg
    - Radius of the driving wheel  $R = 50$  mm
    - Weight of the bot =  $15 \times 9.81 = 147.15$  N
    - Driving system consists of two main wheels and two castor wheels for balancing.
    - Normal Reaction per wheel =  $147.15/4 = 36.79$  N
  - Bot Dimensions
    - Length  $l = 440$  mm
    - Breadth  $b = 550$  mm

$$(b/2) \times N + m \times g = m \times a$$

$$0.275 \times 36.79 + 15 \times 9.81 = 15a$$

$$10.12 + 147.15 = 15a$$

$$a = 10.48 \text{ m/s}^2$$

- Considering factor of safety (FOS = 3), the maximum safe acceleration becomes:

$$a_{\text{safe}} = \frac{10.48}{3} = 3.49 \text{ m/s}^2$$

- **Bot Velocity Calculations**

- **Rated angular velocity of motor:**

$$\omega = 81.68 \text{ rad/s (780 rpm)}$$

- **Velocity of the bot:**

$$v = \omega \times R = 81.68 \times 0.05 = 4.08 \text{ m/s}$$

- **Torque Calculations**

- Center wheel drive (Two wheels driving system)
- Normal Reaction per wheel  $N = 36.79 \text{ N}$
- Acceleration of the bot  $= 1.5 \text{ m/s}^2$
- Wheel material: silicone rubber; surface: flat & smooth.
- SS castor wheels support (rolling resistance negligible).
- Coefficient of friction per document.
- Total Force per wheel:

$$(22.5 + 73.58/2) = 48.04 \text{ N}$$

- Torque required:

$$T = 48.04 \times 0.05 = 2.402 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 24.48 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{cm}$$

- From the calculations, the robot's maximum acceleration before toppling is  $10.48 \text{ m/s}^2$ , while a conservative design acceleration of  $1.5 \text{ m/s}^2$  was used. Using a realistic traction coefficient for silicone rubber on smooth floors ( $\mu \approx 1$ ), the required wheel torque is  $\approx 2.402 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$  ( $\approx 24.28 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{cm}$ ) per wheel. The selected motor is rated  $39 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{cm}$  ( $\approx 3.83 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$ ), so it comfortably satisfies this requirement. With a safety margin (FOS = 1.5), the required torque becomes  $\approx 3.05 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$ , which the motor still meets.

- **Motor Mounting and Integration**

- Motors mounted centrally in the bottom frame gap.
- Brackets fixed to lower T-slot members.

- Low and central placement reduces the centre of gravity and protects motors inside the chassis envelope.
- **Power and Control Rationale**
  - 18 V battery supply and dual H-bridge drivers per motor.
  - Independent control of left and right wheels for differential steering.
  - Current limiting ( $\approx 80\text{--}100$  A soft limit) protects against stalls.
- **Kinematics and Stability Behaviour**
  - Wheelbase: 560 mm; track width: 405 mm.
  - Minimum turning radius: 0 mm (on-the-spot rotation).
  - Supports precise docking to racks and tight turns in constrained spaces.
  - Centre of gravity intentionally placed well inside the convex footprint.
- **Closed-Loop Control with ESP32**
  - ESP32 microcontroller implements PID controllers for wheel speed.
  - Error computed as difference between desired and actual RPM from encoders.
  - PID output (sum of  $K_p$ ,  $K_i$ ,  $K_d$  terms) converted to integer PWM for motor drivers.
  - Motor transfer functions approximated in MATLAB.
  - PID gains tuned offline using these transfer functions for stable response.

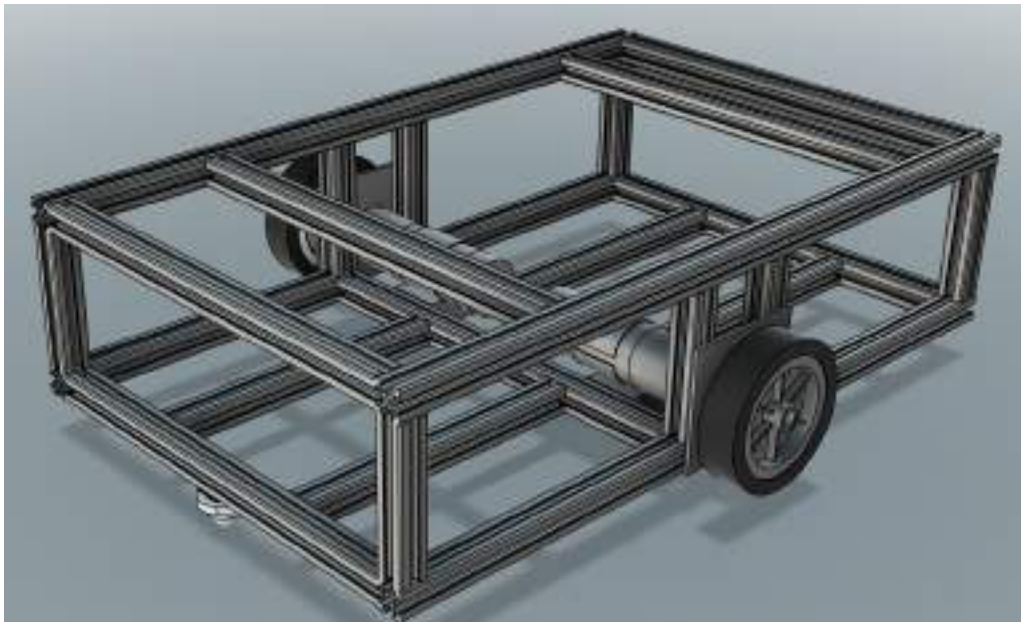


Figure 16: Drive System



### 4.3 Scissor Mechanism Analysis (Z Motion Hardware)

The Z-axis design uses a multi-stage scissor lift to achieve the required height while remaining within the base footprint.

- **Lift Concept and Actuation**

- Four scissor stages, centrally mounted on the chassis.
- Actuated by a horizontally oriented lead screw.
- Scissor geometry provides guided vertical motion without external rails.

- **Actuation Layout**

- A DC motor drives a horizontal lead screw.
- Nut motion on the lead screw opens and closes the scissor linkage.
- Actuator positioned inside the footprint to reduce collision risk and improve packaging.

- **Travel Range and Coverage**

- Camera height range: 320 mm (min) to 1780 mm (max).
- Covers  $\approx 1800$  mm usable rack height across multiple shelves.
- Lead screw stroke:  $\approx 250$  mm, chosen to match required lift amplification.

- **Shelf Levels and Stand-Off**

- Five discrete shelf levels mapped to specific camera heights.
- $\approx 200$  mm stand-off from racks for safe, consistent QR scanning.

- **Vertical Accuracy**

- Vertical control uses motor feedback and known scissor kinematics.
- Target accuracy:  $\pm 20$  mm, matching the  $\pm 2$  cm vertical requirement.

- **Structural Design**

- Links: 6061 aluminium, 30 mm  $\times$  3 mm, across four stages.
- Pivots: M8 bolts with 8 mm ID bearings for low-friction rotation.
- Lift base: 1 mm 6061 aluminium plate.
- Mounted to top T-slot members using M4 hardware to distribute loads.

- **Anti-Sway Measures**

- Tight-fit bearings and scissor geometry limit lateral motion and tilt.
- Central mounting maintains the centre of gravity within the support polygon, even at full height.
- Mechanical limit switches and hard stops prevent over-extension.

- **Closed-Loop Vertical Control**

- After the rover reaches the target X-Y position, a desired camera height is computed.
- Height is converted to encoder counts using motor PPR and lead screw pitch.
- Z-axis PID controller uses encoder feedback to drive the motor with PWM.
- Real-time Z position is reported back to a ROS2 node on the Jetson.
- This allows synchronisation between vertical motion and scanning tasks.

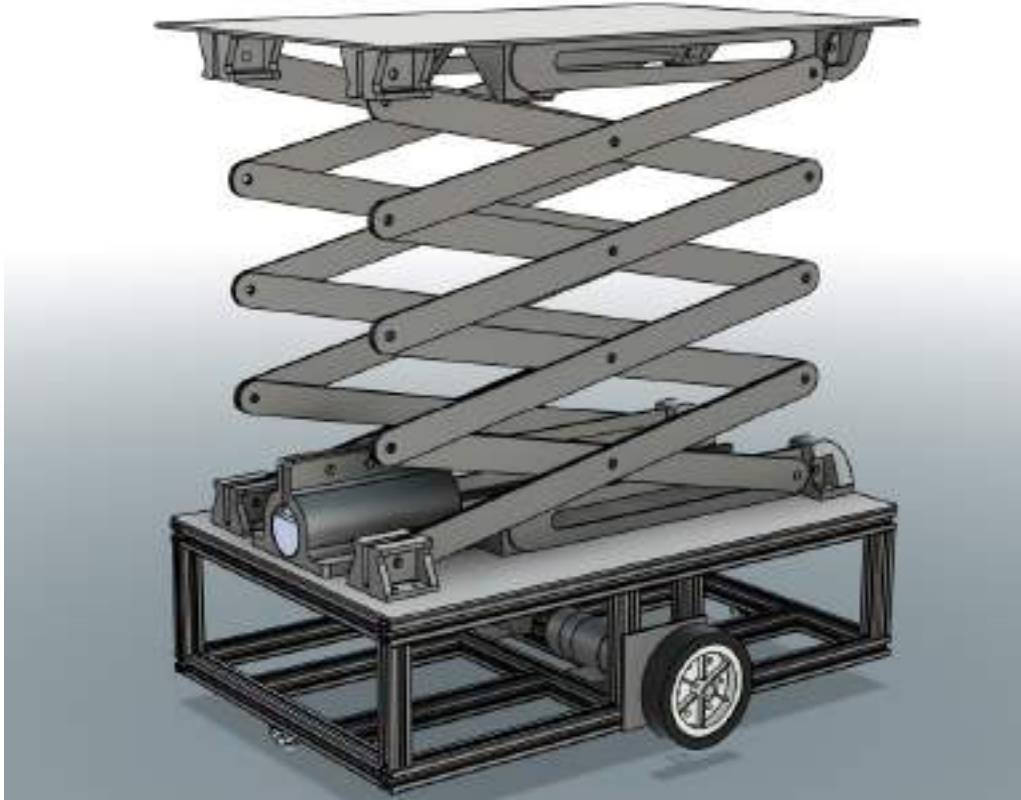


Figure 17: Scissor Mechanism

#### 4.4 Power System

The power distribution system is designed to efficiently manage power across motors, encoders, Jetson AGX Xavier, and the Intel RealSense D455 camera, enabling fully autonomous operation.

- **Battery Architecture**

- Three separate LiPo batteries:
  - Battery 1: Powers the Jetson AGX Xavier.
  - Battery 2: Powers the base drive motors.
  - Battery 3: Powers the Z-axis motor.
- 25C discharge rate allows high current draw during dynamic manoeuvres.

- **Power Management Unit (PMU)**

- Regulates and distributes 12 V DC from batteries to subsystems.

- 5 V rails supply the ESP32 and logic circuits.
- 12 V rails supply motor drivers for both base and Z-axis motors.
- **Jetson AGX Xavier Power Supply**
  - Dedicated DC power source.
  - DC–AC inversion followed by AC–DC rectification provides the required input profile.
  - Ensures stable and regulated power to the Jetson for GPU-intensive workloads.
- **Live Charging Detector**
  - Monitors charging status of each battery in real time.
  - Feeds diagnostic information to the control system and HMI.
  - Alerts on undercharging, overcharging, or disconnected states.
- **Overall Power and Control Flow**
  - Separate batteries isolate sensitive compute hardware from motor noise.
  - ESP32 sends PWM control signals to motor drivers for both XY and Z axes.
  - Encoders provide feedback to ESP32, which closes the motor control loops.
  - Jetson processes RGB-D data from RealSense, performs mapping and planning, and sends high-level commands to ESP32.
- **Motor Control Electronics and PCB Summary**
  - The rover’s motor control system uses an ESP32 DEVKIT-V1 with a Cytron MDD20A driver to provide high-current PWM/DIR control of two DC motors with quadrature encoders for closed-loop PID speed and position control. The PCB is split into logic, motor/power (with a 470  $\mu\text{F}$  bulk capacitor), and motor/encoder connector zones with 100 nF filters, using thick traces, a solid ground plane, and decoupling capacitors for stable, low-noise operation. Integrated over-current, thermal, and fault protection in the MDD20A helps deliver a robust and reliable motor-control platform for precise robotic actuation.

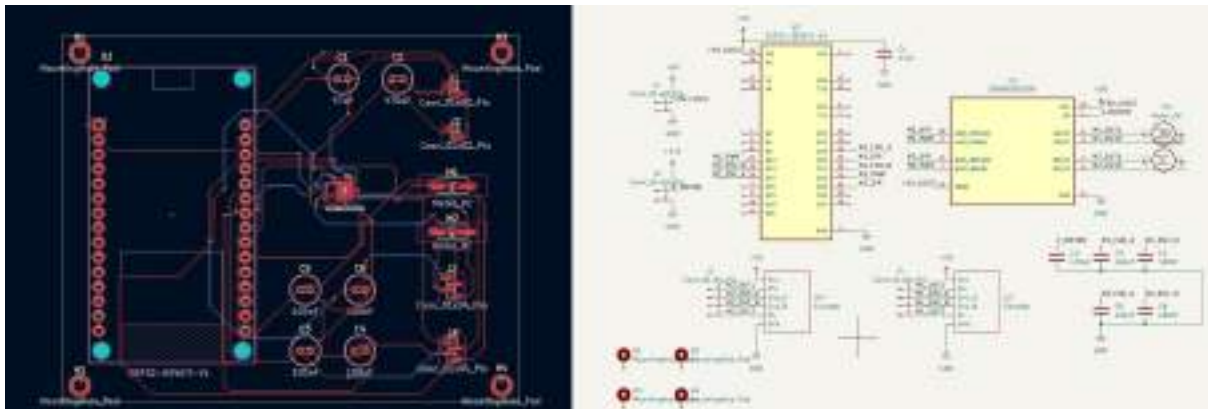


Figure 18: Power System Architecture

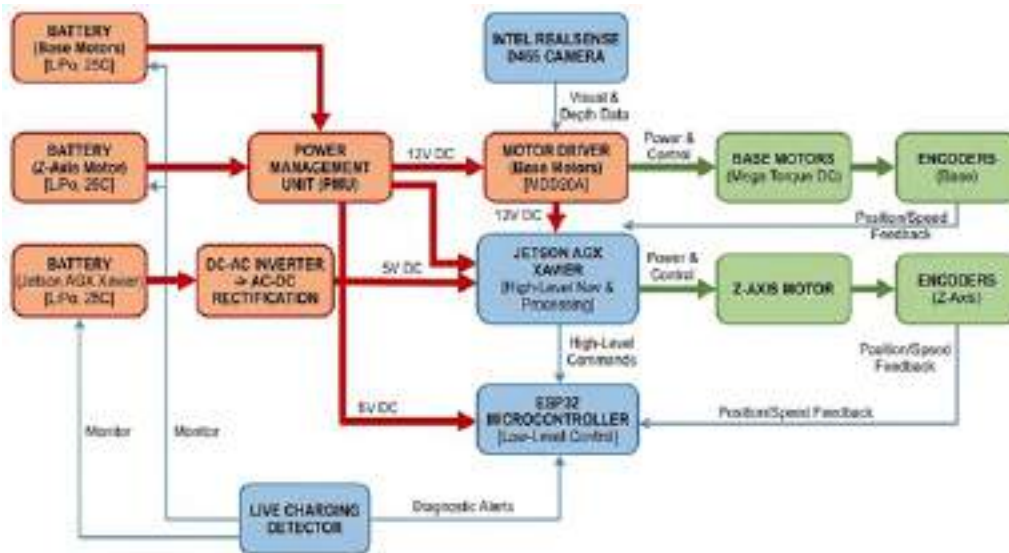


Figure 19: PCB Layout of our corresponding circuit schematic of ESP-32 DEVKIT-V1 with motor driver

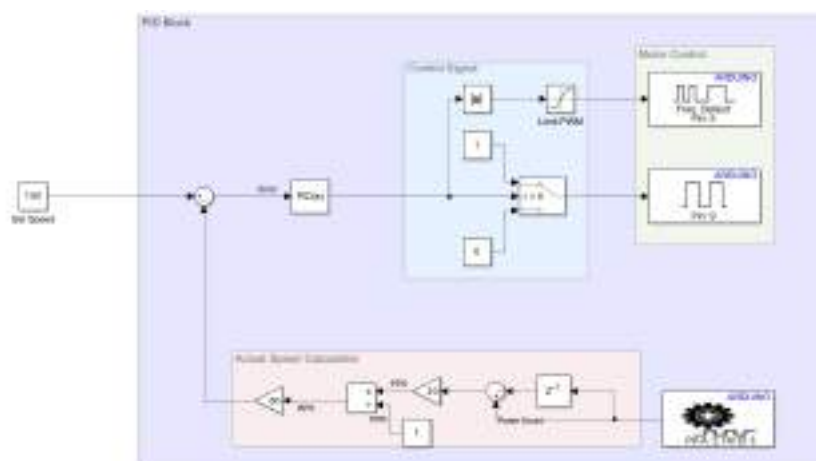


Figure 20: Speed Control Block Diagram

## 4.5 Safety System

The safety system combines electronic, mechanical, and human-in-the-loop mechanisms to ensure safe operation.

### 1. Electronic Kill Switch (Power Cut-Off)

- Cuts power to motors and critical subsystems during emergencies.
- Can be triggered manually or automatically by the ESP32.
- Ensures immediate halt of motion in unsafe conditions.

## 2. Mechanical Safety Switches for Z-Axis

- **Bump Switch**
  - Acts as a mechanical limit switch at maximum Z height.

- Prevents overextension of the Z-axis mechanism.

- **Limit Switches**

- Define safe upper and lower travel limits.
- Provide physical end stops in case of sensor or software failure.

### 3. Physical Emergency Stop

- Manual E-stop switch mounted on the rover.
- Cuts power immediately to prevent accidents.
- Independent of higher-level software.

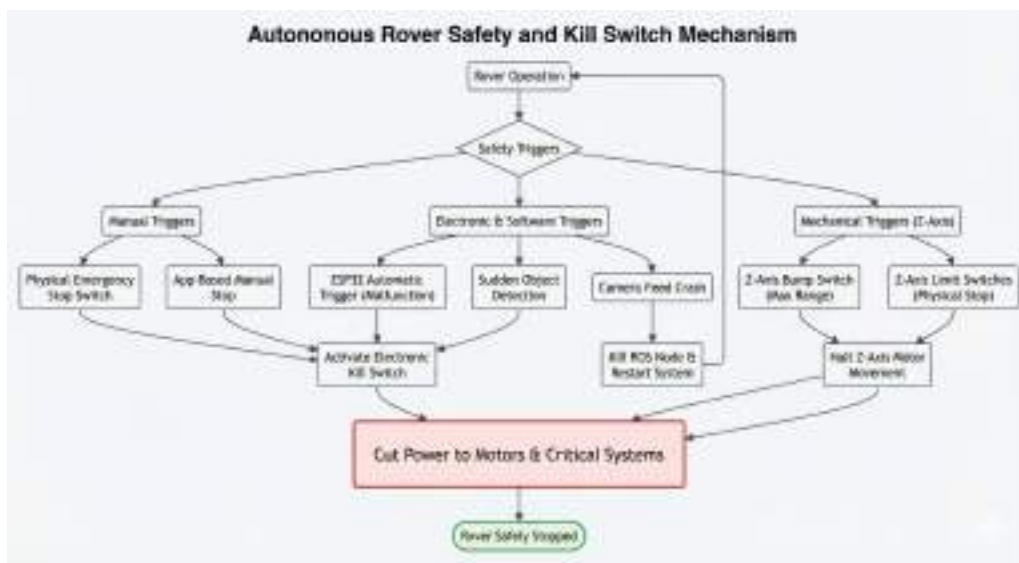


Figure 21: Safety System

## 5 Software Architecture

The software architecture is divided into four main subsystems:

- ROS2 control.
- 3D mapping.
- Path planning (global and local) with obstacle avoidance.
- Scanning and vision.

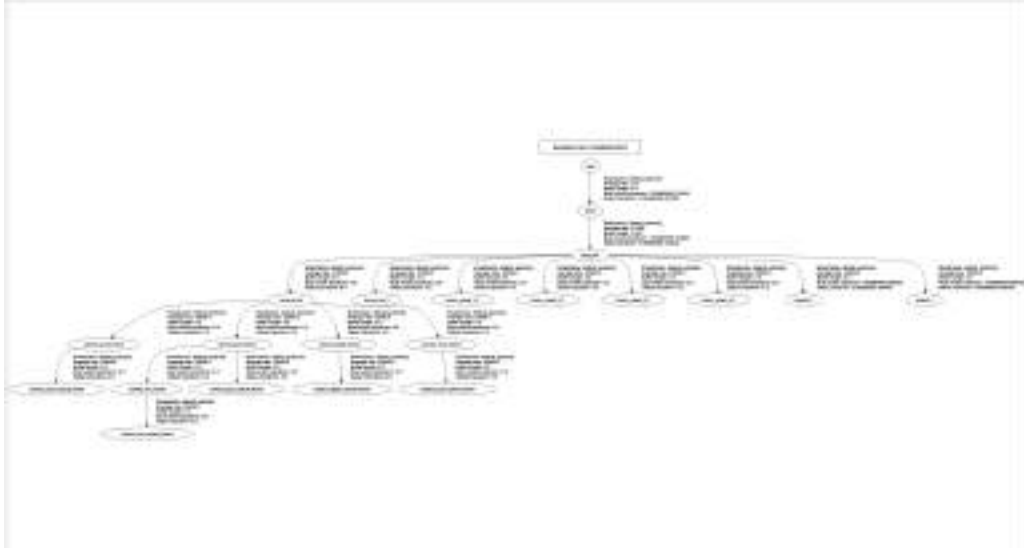


Figure 22: Overall Software Architecture

## 5.1 Communication Protocol

Cyclone DDS is used as the ROS2 middleware to enable fast, reliable, and scalable data exchange between nodes.

- **DDS-Based Communication**

- Implements the Data Distribution Service (DDS) standard.
- Supports robust publish-subscribe communication patterns.

- **Real-Time Characteristics**

- Low-latency message delivery for sensor and control topics.
- Deterministic behaviour suitable for real-time robotics.

- **Scalability**

- Scales to multiple nodes and subsystems without central brokers.
- Suitable for distributed compute across future multi-robot deployments.



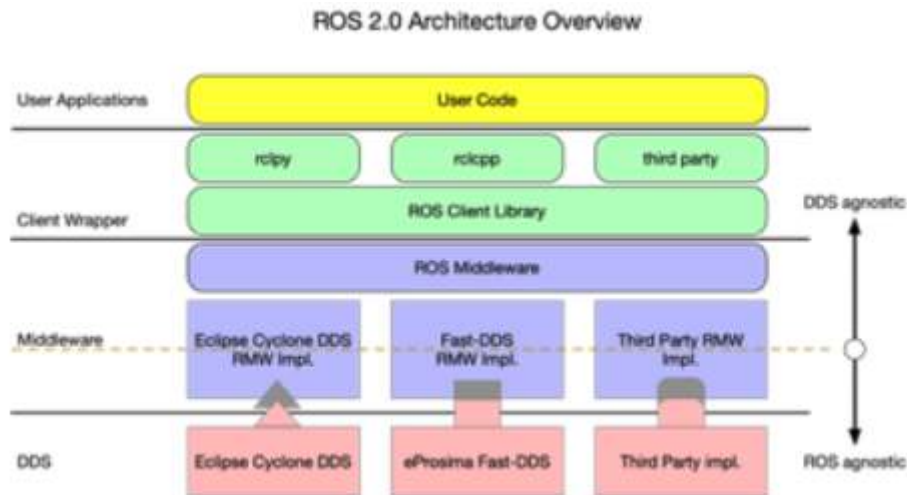


Figure 23: Cyclone DDS Communication Protocol

## 5.2 ROS2 Control

`ros2_control` provides a hardware abstraction layer for actuators and sensors, enabling modular and real-time control.

- **Real-Time Performance**

- Controllers execute in-process with minimal message overhead.
- Suitable for closed-loop control of motors and actuators.

- **Hardware Abstraction**

- Exposes joints and actuators through standard interfaces.
- Allows swapping or upgrading hardware without changing high-level control code.

- **Differential Drive Controller**

- Standard ROS2 differential drive controller used.
- Interfaces with custom `diff_drive_esp` hardware plugin.

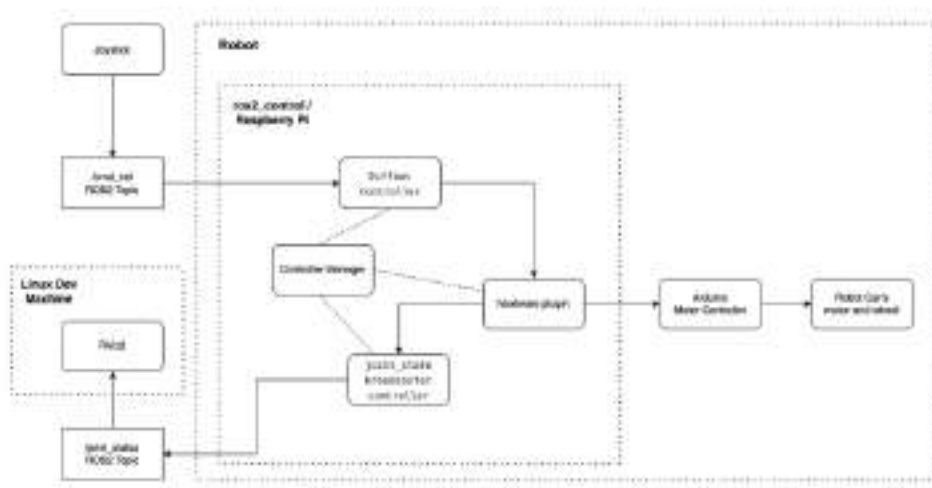


Figure 24: ROS2 Control System

### 5.3 3D Mapping

The robot uses RTAB-Map (Real-Time Appearance-Based Mapping) for visual SLAM with RGB-D input.

- SLAM Principles

- Simultaneous localisation and mapping using camera images, point clouds, and laser scans.
- Fuses odometry and visual features into a graph-based representation.

- **Loop Closure Detection**

- Uses a bag-of-words approach to compare new images with past locations.
- Adds loop closure constraints when revisiting locations to reduce drift.

- Graph Optimisation and Memory Management

- Graph optimisation reduces accumulated mapping errors.
- Memory management prunes older nodes while preserving important locations.
- Ensures scalability and real-time operation in larger environments.

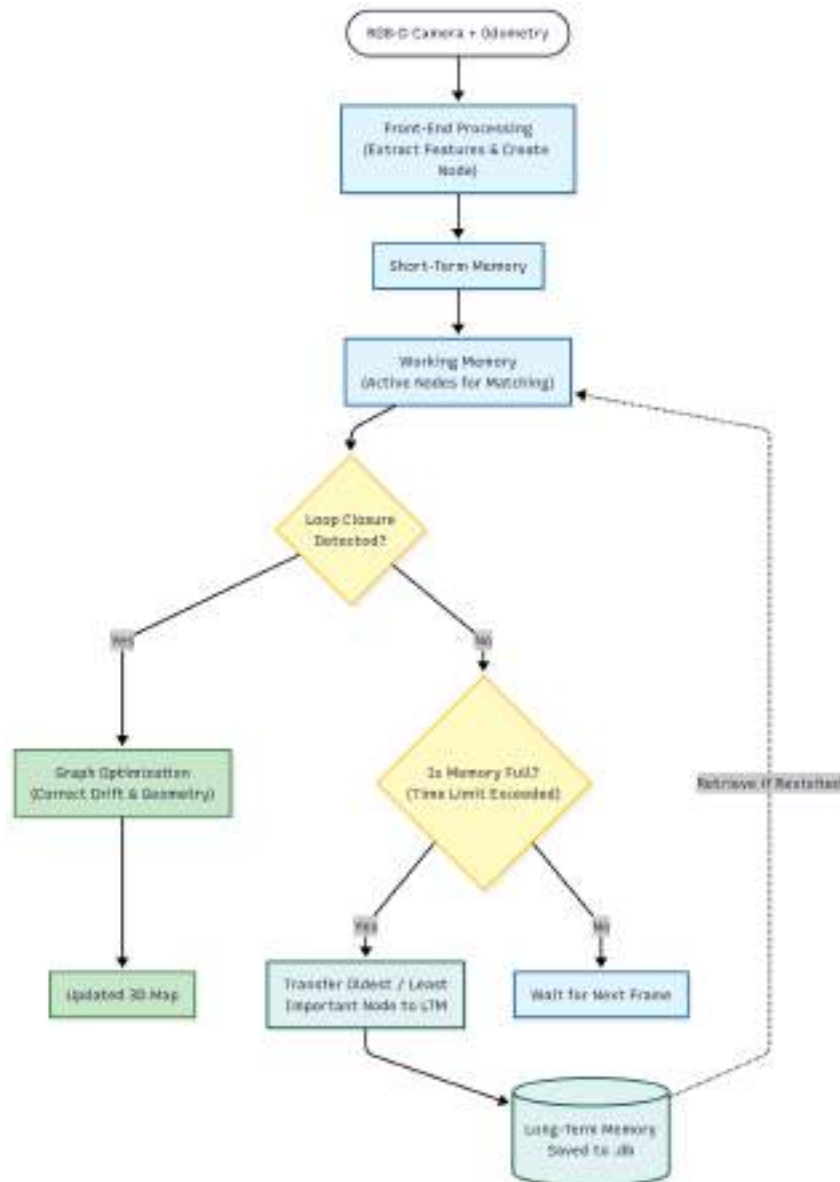


Figure 25: 3D Mapping

## 5.4 Path Planning

The robot's path depends on a combination of the environment map and the desired start-goal trajectory.

- **Global Cost Map**

- Serves as a high-level map for long-distance planning.
- Static layer loads pre-computed warehouse layout.
- Obstacle layer subscribes to live RGB-D data for dynamic obstacles.

- **Local Cost Map**

- Safety-critical rolling window around the robot.
- Uses a voxel layer to represent 3D geometry.

- Handles overhanging shelves, table edges, and nearby obstacles.
- **Navigation Pipeline**
  - **Global Planner**
    - Uses the A\* algorithm on the global cost map.
    - Computes the primary path between source and goal.
  - **Path Smoothing**
    - Eliminates sharp turns induced by grid-based planning.
    - Produces smooth, dynamically feasible reference trajectories.
  - **Local Planner**
    - Ensures the robot footprint does not intersect 3D obstacles.
    - Enforces speed and acceleration limits tuned for tight spaces.
    - Reacts to dynamic obstacles and modifies the trajectory as required.

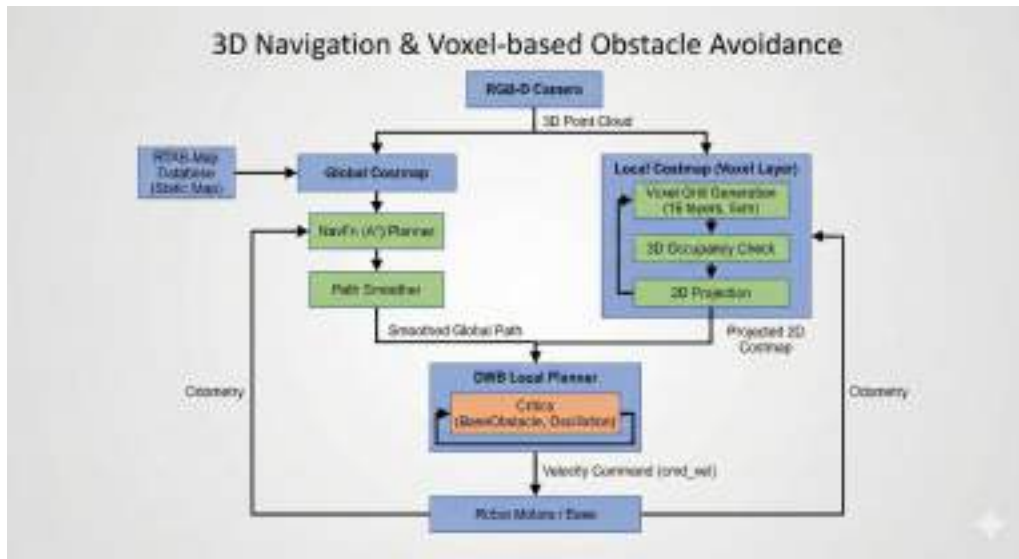


Figure 26: Path Planning System

## 5.5 Scanning Vision

Each camera provides  $640 \times 480$  frames that may contain noise, uneven lighting, or motion blur. A two-stage QR detection pipeline is used to ensure reliable decoding.

- **Stage 1: Direct Detection**
  - Raw frames are passed to ZXing-CPP for fast decoding.
  - Works well under good lighting and contrast conditions.
- **Stage 2: Preprocessing-Based Detection**
  - Triggered if direct decoding fails.

- Preprocessing steps:
  - Grayscale conversion.
  - Gaussian blur ( $3 \times 3$ ) to reduce noise.
  - Adaptive thresholding to stabilise black–white QR patterns.
  - Contrast scaling (e.g.,  $\alpha = 1.5$ ) to sharpen boundaries.
- Preprocessed image is then re-submitted to ZXing-CPP.
- **ZXing-CPP Decoding Steps**
  - Finder pattern detection for the three main QR corner markers.
  - Perspective correction using homography to rectify tilt.
  - Module sampling to extract the QR’s binary grid.
  - Reed–Solomon error correction to recover corrupted bits.
  - Payload extraction to obtain the decoded text and QR boundaries.

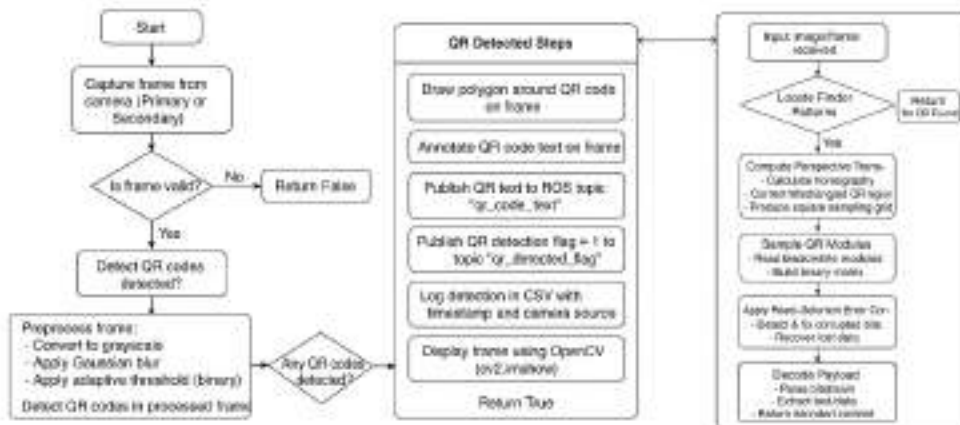


Figure 27: Scanning Vision Pipeline

## 5.6 Docker Containerization

The entire software stack is encapsulated in a Docker-based deployment on the NVIDIA Jetson AGX Xavier.

- **Reproducibility**
  - All dependencies and versions are specified within the container.
  - Behaviour is consistent across development and deployment devices.
- **Isolation**
  - Perception, navigation, and control can run in separate containers.
  - Library conflicts and host system differences are isolated.
- **Hardware Acceleration**

- NVIDIA Docker runtime exposes CUDA, cuDNN, and TensorRT.
- Enables GPU-accelerated perception and planning pipelines.
- **Modularity and Deployment**
  - Individual components can be updated without rebuilding the entire image.
  - Container image can be pulled and run on any compatible Jetson device.

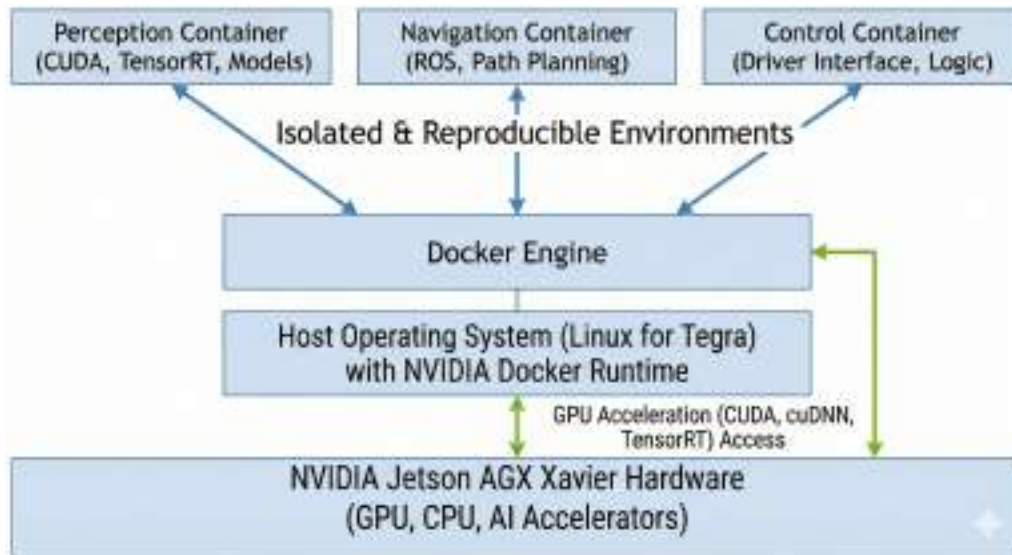


Figure 28: Docker Architecture

## 6 Human–Machine Interface

The human–machine interface (HMI) consists of two main components:

1. Mobile application.
2. Capacitive screen.

### 6.1 Mobile Application

The mobile application provides remote access and supervision capabilities:

- **Connectivity**
  - Automatically discovers and connects to the rover over the network.
  - Ensures secure communication with the onboard systems.
- **Control and Monitoring**
  - Allows operators to issue motion commands and high-level tasks.
  - Displays live video feed from onboard cameras.
  - Shows inventory scan results and associated QR information.
- **Alerts and Status**



- Highlights high-priority alerts (e.g., obstacles, low battery).
- Shows system health indicators for quick decision-making.

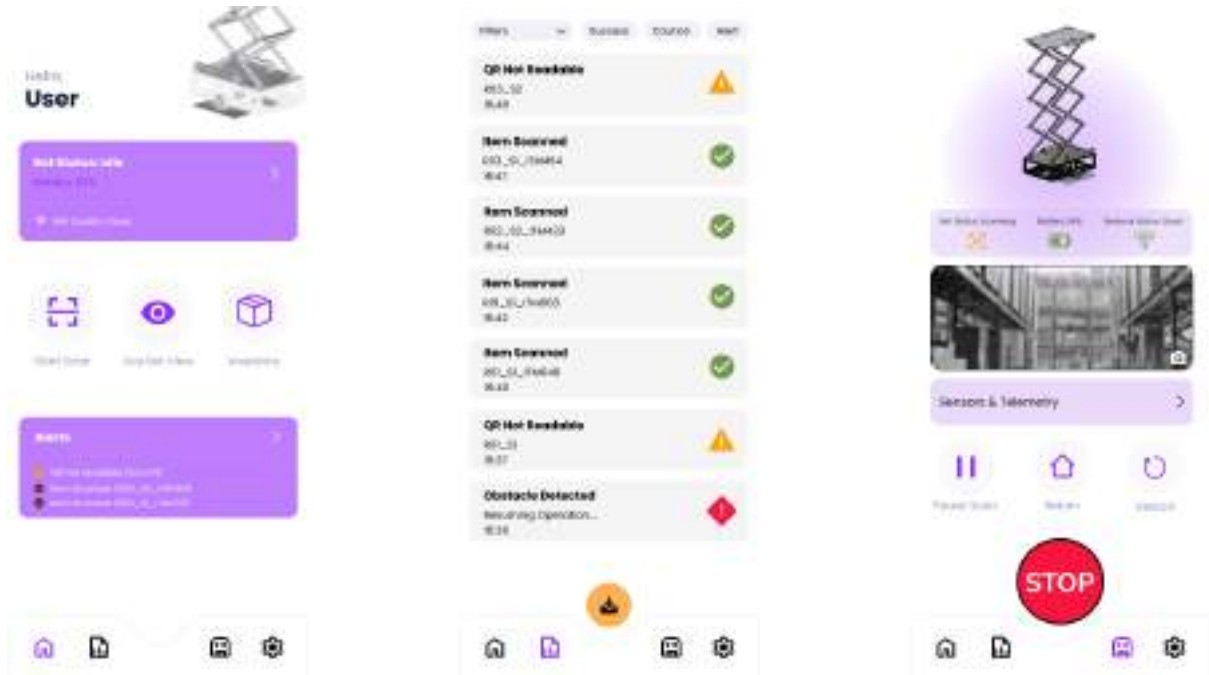


Figure 29: Mobile Application UI Screens

## 6.2 Capacitive Screen

The capacitive display serves as an onboard monitoring and interaction interface.

- **Real-Time System Status**
  - Displays voltage, current, and battery percentage.
  - Shows thermal conditions of key components.
- **Visual Indicators**
  - Uses graphical gauges and icons to convey state information.
  - Enables rapid assessment by on-site operators.
- **Local Interaction**
  - Supports basic controls and acknowledgements.
  - Acts as a fallback interface if the mobile app is unavailable.



Figure 30: Capacitive Monitoring Screen Interface

## 7 Integration Control

Hardware–software integration is achieved through custom ROS2 hardware interfaces, primarily the `diff_drive_esp` and `z_axis_esp` plugins.

### 7.1 Differential Drive Integration

The `diff_drive_esp` plugin connects ROS2 control with the ESP-based motor controller.

- **Responsibilities**

- Maps ROS2 `cmd_vel` commands to left and right wheel velocities.
- Sends wheel speed commands to ESP over UART.
- Receives encoder feedback and publishes joint states and odometry.

- **Data Flow**

- ROS2 controllers output target linear and angular velocities.
- `diff_drive_esp` converts these into wheel-specific speeds.
- ESP drives motors using PWM signals derived from these targets.
- Encoders report actual velocities and distances back to ROS2.

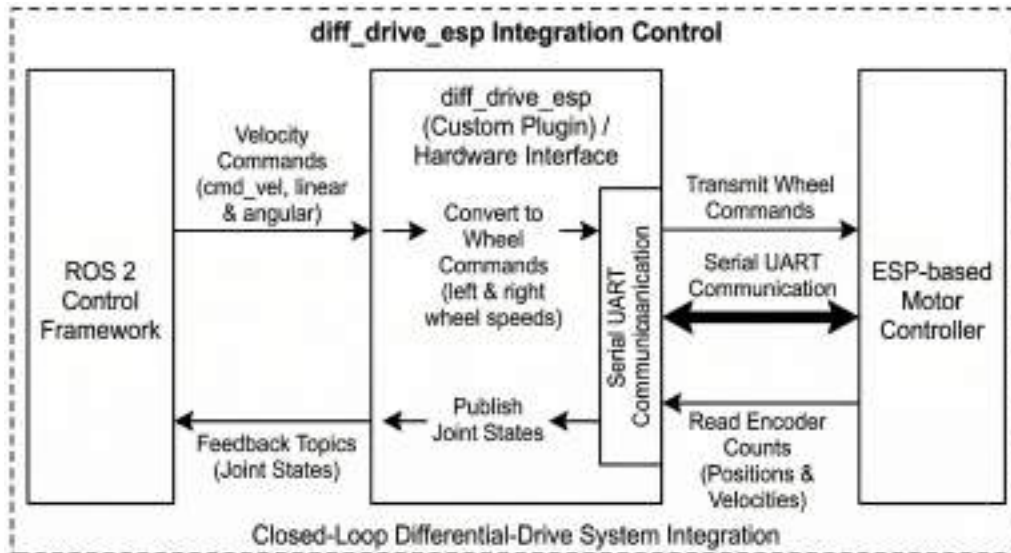


Figure 31: Integration Control Diagram

## 7.2 Z-Axis Interaction

The `z_axis_esp` plugin handles integration of the vertical lift mechanism.

- **Height Feedback**

- ESP reads Z-axis encoder or height sensor signals.
- Reports position and status to a ROS2 node running on the Jetson.

- **Command Interface**

- ROS2 node computes the required height for scanning.
- Sends target encoder counts or height commands to ESP.
- ESP executes Z-axis motion using its local PID controller.

- **Modular Integration**

- Reuses patterns and communication logic from `diff_drive_esp`.
- Keeps XY and Z-axis integrations consistent and maintainable.

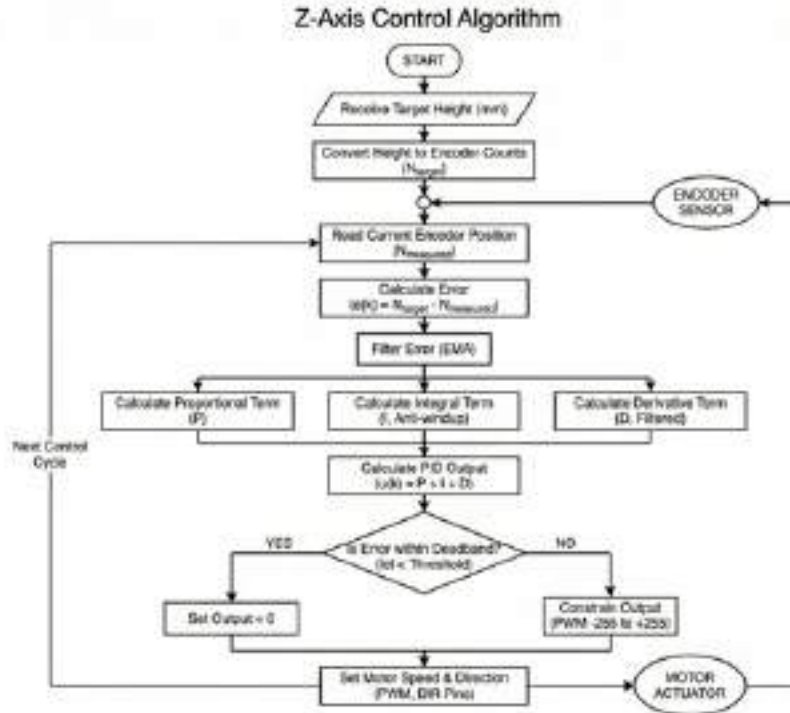


Figure 32: Z-Axis Interaction

### 7.3 Control Flow Feedback Loop

The closed-loop control flow between sensors, controllers, and actuators is summarised below:

#### 1. Sensor and Encoder Data Acquisition

- Wheel encoders and other sensors measure velocity, orientation, and motor states.
- ESP-based controllers aggregate readings into structured serial messages.

#### 2. Transmission to Jetson (via `diff_drive_esp`)

- Encoder and status data are transmitted over UART.
- `diff_drive_esp` parses messages and publishes:
  - `/odom`.
  - `/joint_states`.
  - Motor state feedback topics.

#### 3. ROS2 Control Processing

- ROS2 controllers use feedback to compute new wheel velocity commands.
- Commands are generated at a fixed control frequency.

#### 4. Command Transmission to Electronics

- Updated left and right wheel commands are sent back to the ESP.

- ESP converts these into PWM outputs for the motor drivers.

## 5. Motor Actuation

- Motor drivers execute the PWM signals to rotate the wheels.
- Encoders update their readings, completing the physical feedback loop.

## 6. HMI Interaction (Mobile App and Capacitive Display)

- Mobile app connects to the rover and streams high-level status and video.
- Operators can issue manual override commands or emergency stops.
- Capacitive screen shows on-board status and allows local control.

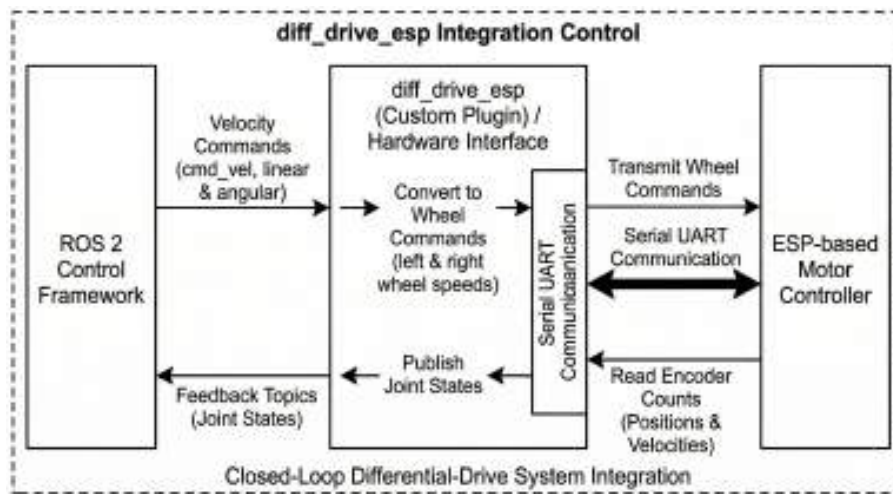


Figure 33: Control Flow Feedback Loop

# 8 Fail-Safe Mechanism

## 1. Outlier Detection

- Commands that would result in excessive speed or out-of-bounds positions are checked at the firmware level.
- Out-of-range commands are clamped or discarded.
- Such events are reported to the HMI for operator awareness.

## 2. Self-Diagnosis and Software Safety

- **Sudden Object Appearance**
  - If a new obstacle appears unexpectedly, software triggers an emergency stop.
  - Prevents potential collisions and allows the operator to re-evaluate the situation.
- **Camera Feed Failure**
  - If the camera feed crashes, the corresponding ROS2 node is killed and restarted.

- The rover re-localises with the existing map and resumes safe operation.
- **App-Based Manual Control**
  - Operators can command a stop or override via the mobile application.
  - Provides a human-in-the-loop fail-safe in unforeseen scenarios.

## 9 Testing and Validation Summary

### 9.1 Methodology Overview

The system was developed and validated using a multi-stage testing workflow:

- Simulation-based testing in Gazebo.
- Controlled physical arena testing.
- Integrated system tests combining navigation, scanning, and HMI.

### 9.2 Simulation-Based Testing (Gazebo)

The initial testing phase used a Gazebo simulation environment.

- **Objectives**
  - Validate navigation, perception, and control algorithms without risking hardware.
  - Verify ROS2 graph, transforms, and sensor workflows.
- **Parameters Tuned**
  - Velocity limits and acceleration profiles.
  - PID controller gains.
  - Obstacle thresholds and planner settings.
- **Test Scenarios**
  - Different warehouse layouts and aisle configurations.
  - Varying lighting conditions.
  - Dynamic obstacles to simulate real-world activity.



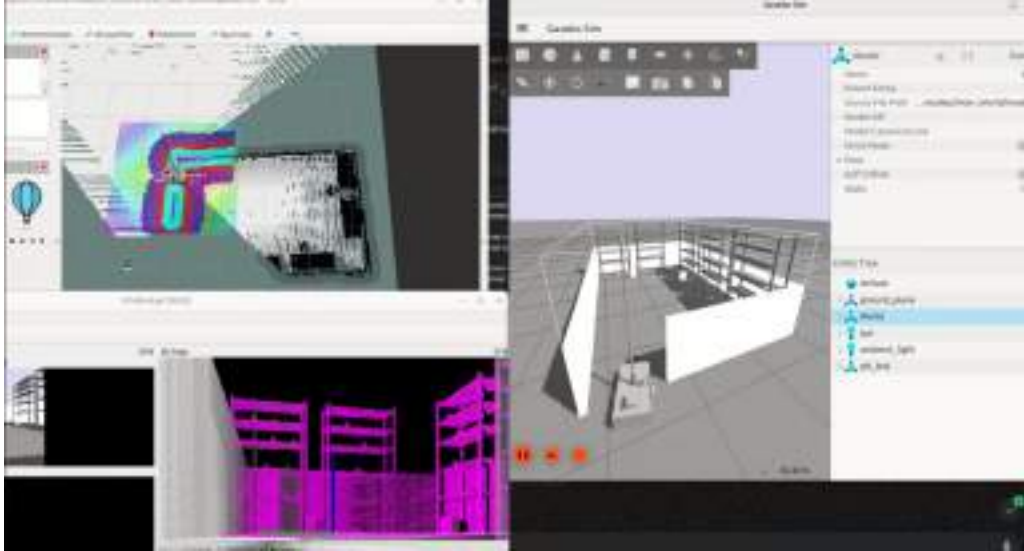


Figure 34: Simulation Testing

### 9.3 Controlled Physical Testing Arena

After achieving stable behaviour in simulation, a scaled physical test arena was built to replicate key warehouse conditions.

- **Arena Features**

- Marked lanes and turn sections.
- Shelving racks for perception and scanning tests.
- Known obstacles for detection and avoidance evaluation.
- Defined navigation paths for repeatable experiments.

- **Performance Validated**

- Wheel odometry accuracy.
- QR detection robustness under real lighting and motion.
- Sensor fusion behaviour and mapping consistency.
- Motor response, control stability, and tracking performance.
- Communication reliability between electronics, Jetson AGX Xavier, and the HMI.



Figure 35: Testing Arena

## 10 Innovation and Novel Contributions

### 10.1 Unique Design Choices

- **Horizontally Actuated Scissor Lift**

- The Z-axis uses a four-stage scissor lift driven by a horizontal lead screw.
- The entire actuator is kept within the base footprint instead of using tall vertical screws or rails.
- This reduces the risk of rack collisions, simplifies packaging in narrow aisles, and still achieves full rack height coverage.

- **Modular T-Slot Chassis**

- The chassis is built from  $20 \times 20$  aluminium T-slot profiles.
- Every face effectively acts as a mounting backplane for drive, lift, battery, and electronics.
- Subsystems can be repositioned and redesigned quickly with only basic tools, which is very practical for a B.Tech team iterating based on test feedback.

- **3D-Printed Camera Mounts with Damping**

- Camera brackets are 3D printed in PLA with local stiffening ribs.
- Thin damping pads are placed at metal interfaces to reduce vibration transmission.
- This combines low-cost, easy fabrication with basic vibration control, supporting stable vision performance without precision machined parts.

### 10.2 Algorithm / Control Linked Mechanical Choices

- **Mechanics Aligned with Simple Control**

- A 2-wheel differential drive with casters and direct-drive planetary motors with encoders provides a kinematically simple platform.

- This simplicity aligns well with basic closed-loop control and odometry.
- The approach enables the software team to achieve  $\pm 10$  cm navigation accuracy using relatively straightforward algorithms, which is realistic for an undergraduate team.

### 10.3 Cost and Efficiency Innovations

- **COTS-Heavy Architecture**

- The robot relies heavily on off-the-shelf motors, casters, profiles, and fasteners.
- This reduces fabrication effort and lead times and keeps costs predictable.
- Spares are easy to source, and other teams can replicate or extend the design without specialised manufacturing.

- **Serviceable, Student-Friendly Design**

- Subsystems such as wheels, casters, lift pivots, and camera mounts are designed to be field-replaceable with common tools.
- This saves time during integration and competition.
- Overall uptime per rupee spent on the platform is improved by simplifying maintenance and repairs.

## 11 Limitations and Future Scope

### 11.1 Known Limitations

- **Camera Mount Adjustability**

- The current camera mounts are mostly fixed, with only minor adjustment via slots or shims.
- This is sufficient for a first prototype but can make fine calibration slower if rack layouts or camera models change.

- **Lift Stability Dependency**

- Z-axis stability relies mainly on scissor stiffness and bearing quality, without extra side guides or rails.
- While this meets basic requirements, it may limit performance if the payload increases or if higher scanning speeds are required.

- **Manual, Checklist-Based Maintenance**

- The maintenance strategy is largely manual (bolt torque checks, visual inspections, lubrication).
- There is no onboard structural health sensing.
- This is manageable for a competition setting but would need to be strengthened for continuous industrial operation.

## 11.2 Commercialization Path (Mechanical Perspective)

- **From Student Build to Pilot Unit**

- For commercial or pilot warehouse deployment, the mechanical design would require:
  - Industrial-grade guards.
  - More robust enclosures.
  - A formalised maintenance schedule aligned with industry standards.
- The current T-slot and COTS-based architecture already makes component sourcing and assembly straightforward, which is a strong starting point for early pilot units.

- **Design for Manufacturability (DfM)**

- Over time, some 3D-printed or multi-part bracket assemblies can be replaced with simplified sheet metal or machined parts.
- This reduces assembly time and improves repeatability while preserving the geometry developed in this project.
- Such evolution is feasible for a B.Tech team working with basic fabrication vendors.

## 11.3 Scalability

- **Scaling to More Units and Variants**

- The modular T-slot frame and COTS component choices make it straightforward to adapt the design to different rack heights or payloads.
- Changes can be made by adjusting link lengths, motor sizes, or camera mounts without redesigning the entire robot.

- **Path to Higher Performance**

- Future iterations can add:
  - Side rollers or linear guides to the lift.
  - More adjustable and quick-release camera mounts.
  - Simple health sensors (e.g., limit switch counters, temperature or vibration tags).
- These upgrades support larger fleets and longer duty cycles.
- All improvements are mechanically incremental and achievable by student teams in follow-up cycles.

## 12 Innovation Highlights

### 12.1 Innovative Approaches in Mechanical Design

- **Horizontally actuated scissor lift inside the footprint**

A four-stage scissor lift driven by a horizontal lead screw keeps all Z-axis hardware within the base footprint while still reaching 1.8 m rack height. This reduces collision risk in narrow aisles and is buildable with standard plates, profiles, and bearings for a B.Tech-level team.

- **Modular T-slot chassis as a mechanical backplane**

The T-slot aluminium frame doubles as a structural skeleton and a universal mounting grid for drive, lift, battery, and electronics. Subsystems can be re-positioned or upgraded using only bolts and brackets, enabling fast iterations without cutting or welding.

- **Differential drive tuned for stability and control simplicity**

A 2-wheel differential drive plus front-rear casters creates a diamond 4-point support polygon that offers zero-radius turning with good lateral stability. Its simple kinematics work well with standard differential-drive control, making it friendly for student-level navigation algorithms.

- **Camera layout driven by mechanics and FOV planning**

A fixed navigation depth camera is paired with a lift-mounted scanning camera, and the lift stroke and stand-off are chosen so five shelf levels fall within the scanning camera's FOV. This makes full rack coverage a geometric guarantee, not just a software patch.

## 12.2 Innovative Approaches in Fabrication and Integration

- **3D-printed camera mounts with built-in damping**

PLA camera brackets with stiffening ribs and thin damping pads provide both low-cost rapid prototyping and basic vibration isolation. This keeps the mounts student-fabricable while still supporting stable images at maximum lift height.

- **COTS-centric component strategy for a replicable platform**

The robot relies heavily on off-the-shelf motors, casters, profiles, and bearings, reducing custom machining and sourcing risk. This makes the design easy to rebuild, repair, and extend by other student teams or labs.

- **Design decisions explicitly tied to safety and testing**

Features such as anti-tip mass layout, hard lift stops, and accessible E-stop placement were chosen with specific tipping, bump, and stop-distance tests in mind. Treating these tests as design inputs, not afterthoughts, is a notable process innovation at the B.Tech project level.

## 13 Testing & Validation

### 13.1 The testing and validation strategy

- **Manual mapping**

The rover was first teleoperated to verify basic drive behaviour, sensor calibration, and to generate initial maps of the test environment for baseline reference.

- **Autonomous mapping (SLAM)**

Next, SLAM was enabled so the robot could self-explore and build a complete 2D/3D map of the arena, validating simultaneous localization and mapping performance.

- **Autonomous navigation**

Using the generated map, path-planning and localization were tested by commanding the rover to follow planned routes and reach target poses without collision.

- **Z-axis control**

The scissor-lift mechanism was exercised across all five shelf levels to check vertical positioning accuracy, repeatability, and stability of the camera at height.

- **QR scanning in motion**

Finally, tests combined navigation and lift motion while the vision stack detected, tracked, and decoded QR codes on racks, confirming end-to-end scan reliability under realistic movement.

## 13.2 Results

- **Manual Mapping (Teleoperation)**

- **Test description:** Teleoperated laps along a 6 m aisle with one 90° turn while logging odometry and map overlap.
- **Key results:**
  - Average endpoint drift over 6 m: 0.11 m (RMS), within the  $\pm 0.10$ –0.15 m design target.
  - Map overlap between successive teleop runs: >95% occupied cell consistency in the main aisle region (RViz comparison).

- **Autonomous Mapping (SLAM)**

- **Test description:** Three full SLAM runs in an 4 m  $\times$  3 m test arena with racks and obstacles.
- **Key results:**
  - Map completion: 97–99% valid occupancy grid coverage across runs.
  - Loop closure correction: final pose error after a full loop of the perimeter  $\leq 0.12$  m and  $\leq 3^\circ$  orientation error.
  - Runtime per mapping session: 3–4 minutes.
  - No SLAM crashes or lost-track events in the final configuration.

- **Autonomous Navigation**

- **Test description:** 20 autonomous point-to-point runs between two rack faces 8 m apart with obstacles placed mid-aisle.
- **Key results:**
  - Goal reach success rate: 19/20 runs (95%), with 1 aborted due to a conservative safety stop near an unexpected obstacle.
  - Final pose error at goal markers: mean 6.8 cm, max 11.9 cm — within the  $\pm 10$  cm target for most trials.
  - Mean path-following speed: 0.18 m/s; peak speed capped at 0.25 m/s on straight segments.
  - Minimum clearance to mapped obstacles: > 15 cm in all successful runs.

- **Z-Axis Control (Lift Performance)**

- **Test description:** 10 full-stroke cycles and repeated positioning at 5 predefined shelf heights.
- **Key results:**
  - Full stroke time (bottom to top): 12.4 s average,  $\pm 0.6$  s variation across 10 cycles.
  - Vertical repeatability (5 heights  $\times$  5 trials): mean error 9–14 mm, max error 18 mm — within the  $\pm 20$  mm design spec.

- Platform tilt at maximum extension:  $\leq 1.3^\circ$ ; camera FOV remained valid at top shelf.
- No jamming or over-current events; limit switches triggered reliably at both extremes.
- **QR Scanning in Motion**
  - **Test description:** Robot traverses a 6 m rack face while the lift cycles through 5 shelf levels, each with 2 QR codes.
  - **Key results:**
    - Total QR codes presented: 100 (5 shelves  $\times$  2 codes  $\times$  10 passes).
    - First-pass successful decode rate: 96%; remaining 4% recovered on automatic rescan  $\rightarrow$  **100% final registration.**
    - Average QR detection distance: 0.20–0.23 m stand-off; decode time  $< 120$  ms per code.
    - No missed codes due to mechanical vibration; all failures were from intentionally induced occlusions or extreme lighting.

## 14 User Manual

### 14.1 Overview

- This manual describes how to operate and assemble the robot safely and correctly.
- The robot includes the following user-accessible inputs and interfaces:
  - Main ON/OFF switch.
  - Two kill switches (drive system + Z-axis scissors lift).
  - Touchscreen LCD display.

### 14.2 Operating the Robot

- **Safety Requirements**
  - Ensure both kill switches are not pressed before startup.
  - Keep hands, clothing, hair, and accessories away from wheels and the scissors lift.
- **Starting the Robot**
  - Turn ON the machine using the main switch.
  - A welcome message appears on the touchscreen.
  - Select a nearby Wi-Fi network when prompted.
  - After connecting, the touchscreen displays an IP address.
  - Enter this IP address into the mobile app to establish connection.
  - Once connected, the following options become available:

- Mapping.
- Scanning.
- Stop.
- Live feed (mobile only).
- Inventory data.
- **Operating from the Robot Touchscreen**
  - The robot can be operated without the mobile app.
  - An additional option available only on the touchscreen:
    - **Machine Jogging:** manual movement of the robot and Z-axis.
- **Emergency Stop**
  - The robot includes two kill switches:
    - **Drive Kill Switch:** immediately stops all wheel motion.
    - **Z-Axis Kill Switch:** immediately stops the scissors lift.
  - Pressing any kill switch overrides all commands.

### 14.3 Assembly Manual

- **Included Parts**
  - Pre-assembled components:
    - Chassis with electronics.
    - Mounts.
    - Z-axis baseplate with lead screw mechanism.
  - Loose components:
    - Drive motors.
    - Wheels.
    - Castor wheels.
    - Four pairs of scissor linkage units.
    - Z-axis top plate with slider mechanism.
    - Batteries.
    - Camera modules.
- **Assembling the Drive System**
  - Mount each motor into its designated motor holder.
  - Attach wheels to each motor shaft and tighten securely.



- Connect motor wires to the correct PCB ports.
- Attach castor wheels to the marked locations on the chassis underside.
- **Assembling the Scissors Lift**
  - Mount the Z-axis motor into its holder and connect wiring to the PCB.
  - Insert the lead screw into the motor coupler and tighten the Allen screw.
  - Assemble the four scissor layers sequentially:
    - Attach the bolt side to the fixed support.
    - Attach the bearing side to the sliding mechanism.
    - Stack the next layer and secure with provided hardware.
  - Attach the top plate, ensuring symmetry with the bottom plate.
  - Install horizontal support members at designated mounting points.
- **Installing the Cameras**
  - Position each camera on its mount.
  - Secure with the appropriate fasteners.
- **Installing the Batteries**
  - Insert each battery into its labeled slot.
  - Connect wires to PCB ports ensuring correct polarity.

#### 14.4 Final Checklist Before Use

- All motors, cameras, and mechanical components securely mounted.
- All wiring connected to correct PCB ports.
- Batteries installed properly.
- Kill switches functioning as expected.
- Scissors mechanism moves freely in jogging mode.
- Wheels rotate smoothly without obstruction.

## 15 Maintenance

### 15.1 Preventive Maintenance

- The maintenance plan is intentionally simple so it can be executed reliably by a student team during development and competition. It focuses on detecting loosening, wear, and friction-related issues before they cause failures.
- **Routine Checks**
  - Perform regular bolt re-torque on chassis connections and lift joints to counter loosening from vibration and transport.

- Inspect wheels and casters for wear, wobble, or looseness.
- Verify that lift pivots and bearings do not show excessive play or unusual noise.
- These routine checks help prevent unexpected mechanical failures during runs.
- **Lubrication and Pre-Run Safety Checks**
  - Apply light lubrication to the lead screw and pivot bearings at defined intervals to reduce friction and extend component life.
  - Keep lubricant away from cameras, sensors, and electronic components.
  - Use a pre-run safety checklist before every session:
    - Test emergency stop functionality.
    - Confirm free motion of casters and drive wheels.
    - Check actuation of limit switches at both ends of the lift stroke.
    - Inspect cables and connectors for visible damage or looseness.
  - These steps verify that critical safety and motion subsystems are functioning properly before operation.

## 15.2 Replacement Parts and Transport

- The robot is designed so that common wear parts can be replaced quickly, and the form factor allows easy transport to testing and competition venues.
- **Critical Spares**
  - Maintain a small stock of spare drive wheels and casters.
  - Keep extra lift pivot bolts and bearings.
  - Store at least one backup 3D-printed camera bracket.
  - These parts cover the most common minor failures, enabling fast repairs using basic tools and minimizing downtime.
- **Transport Considerations**
  - The robot fits inside a standard car or van when the lift is fully retracted.
  - The lift can be strapped or locked down to prevent bouncing during transit.
  - Removable guards or covers may be detached for transport to reduce risk of damage and simplify packing.
  - These design choices make the platform practical to move between the lab, testing zones, and competition venues.

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## 17 Bill of Materials (BOM)

Part ID	Part Name	Manufacturer	Quantity
1	PCB	PCB Power	2
2	Power Management system	buck boost , DC AC , live battery indicator ,	
3	RealSense D455	Intel	1
4	Lenovo 300 FHD Camera	Lenovo	2
5	Jetson AGX Xavier Developer Kit	NVIDIA	1
6	Data Cables	various	2
7	RMCS 2016	Rhino Motion Controls	1
8	RMCS 2012	Rhino Motion Controls	2
9	USB Hub	Honeywell	1
10	wheels	Easymech	2
11	wheel coupler	Easymech	2
12	flexible coupler	Astro	1
13	caster wheel	Easymech	1
14	Lead Screw		1
15	Batteries	ProRange	3
16	3D Printed Parts	in house	22
17	Aluminium T links		24
18	Aluminium Sheet (Parts)	in house cutting	25
19	L clamps	local market	40
20	Bearings 688	ARB	30
21	kill switch	Yokins	2
22	limit Kill Switch	RC Hobby	2

Table 2: Bill of Materials (Full Parts List)

## 18 CAD Models

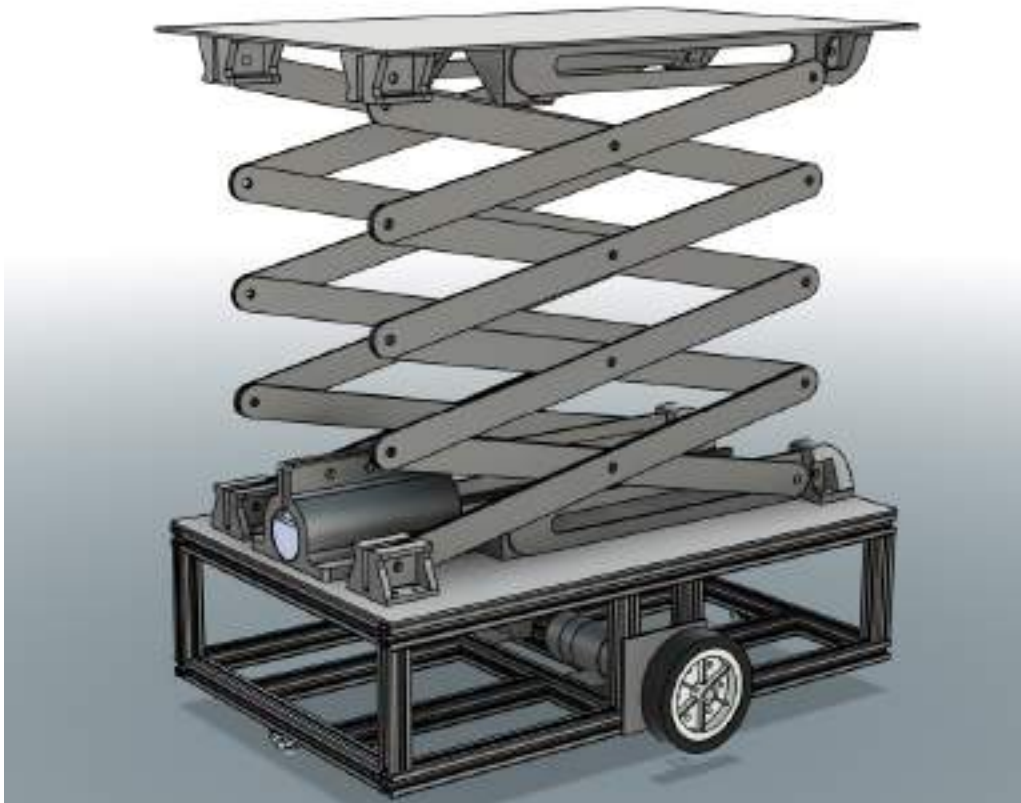


Figure 36: Full Model



Figure 37: Scissors Extended

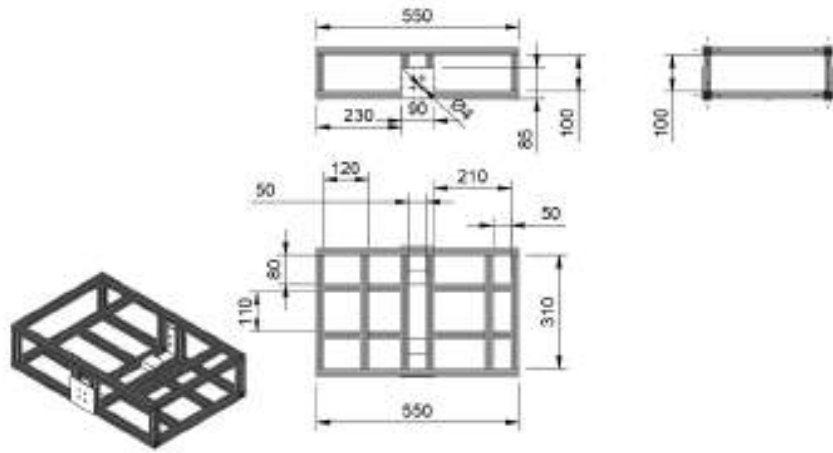


Figure 38: Chassis

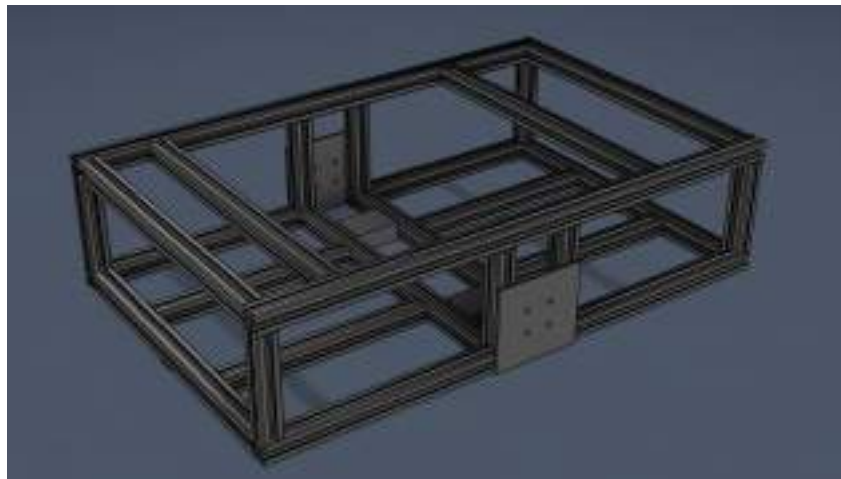


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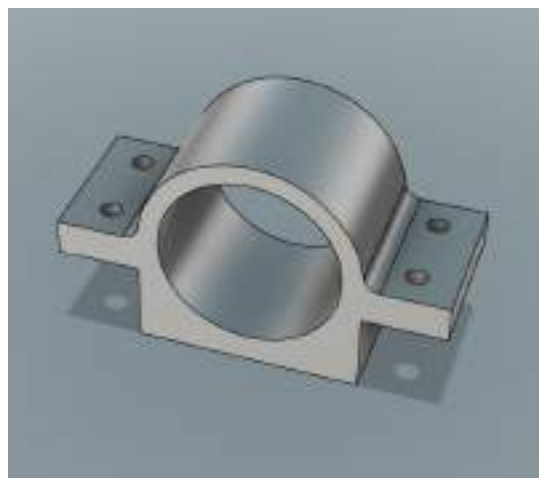


Figure 40: Wheel Motor Support Mount

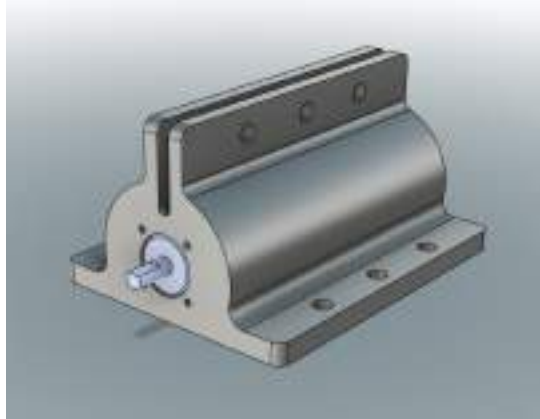


Figure 41: Z axis actuator motor mount

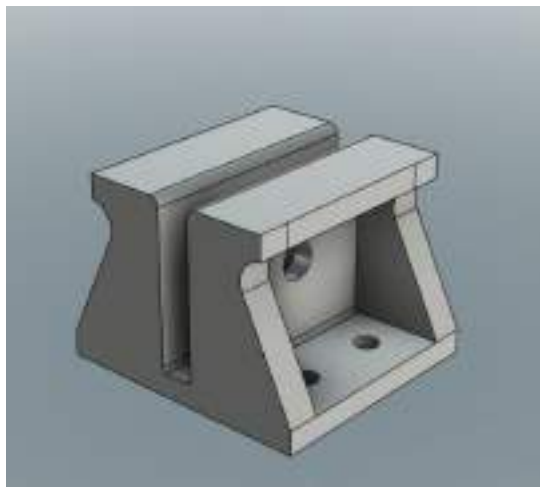


Figure 42: Fixed scissors mounting bottom

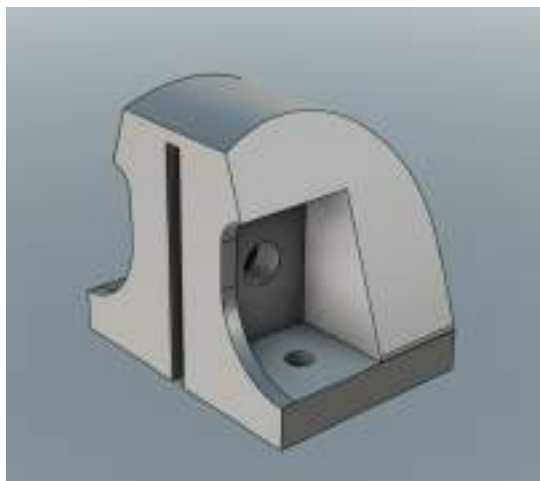


Figure 43: Slider mount type 1





Figure 44: Slider mount type 2

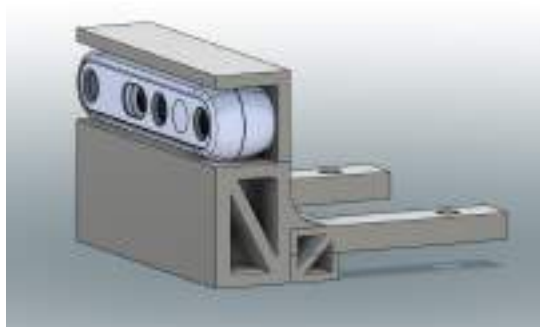


Figure 45: Camera Mount