Connecting GTR V1.0 with Pi 3B+/4 by 3 wires, (2 wires which are serial connection and 1 wire is ground [GND]).

With 3 wires for serial connections made you no longer need the use of USB cable. \*1

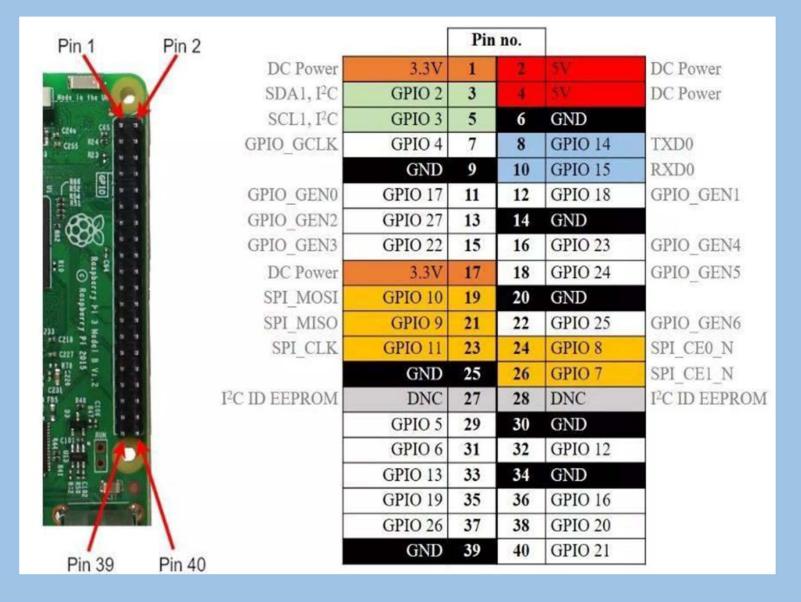
- Raspberry Pi 3B+/4 and GTR V1.0 both use 3.3 V logic.
- The idea is to cross connect (see Cross Connect Diagram below) the TX and RX from the Raspberry Pi to the ARM Processor's TX and RX on the GTR V1.0 board. Cross connect means TX goes to RX; RX goes to TX.

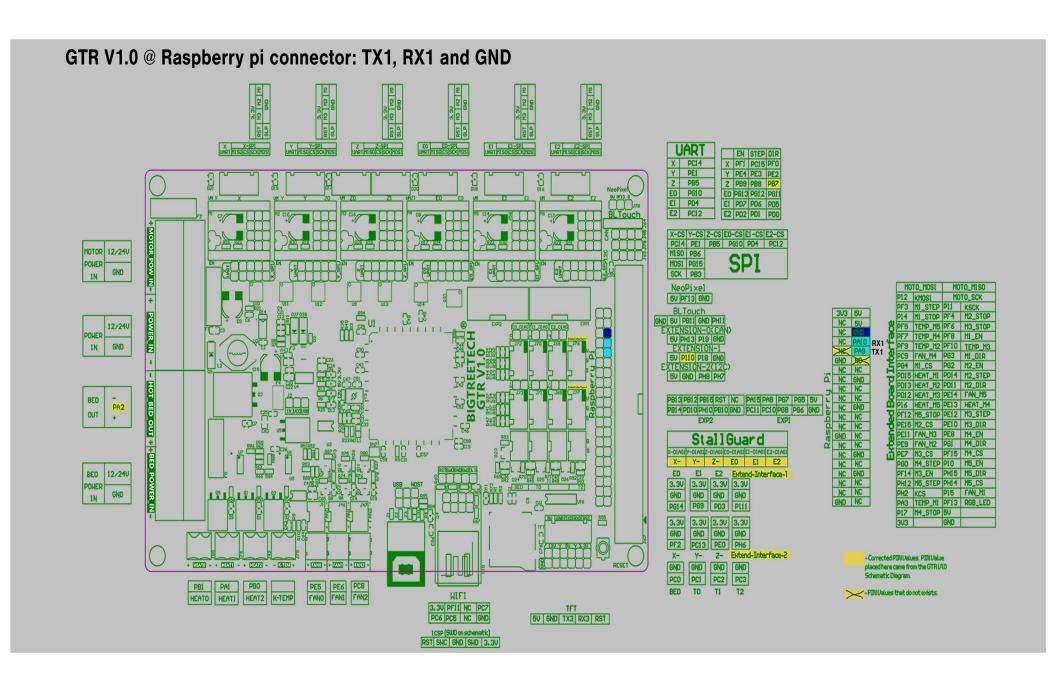
# Therefore, do the following:

- Connect TXD0 (Raspberry Pi's TX) from Raspberry Pi 3B+/4 connector TO the ARM USART1\_RX (RX1) from GTR V1.0 board's Raspberry Pi connector.
- Connect RXD0 (Raspberry Pi's RX) from Raspberry Pi 3B+/4 connector TO the ARM USART1\_TX (TX1) from GTR V1.0 board's Raspberry Pi connector.
- Connect GND from Raspberry Pi 3B+/4 Connector TO GND from GTR V1.0 Raspberry Pi connector.

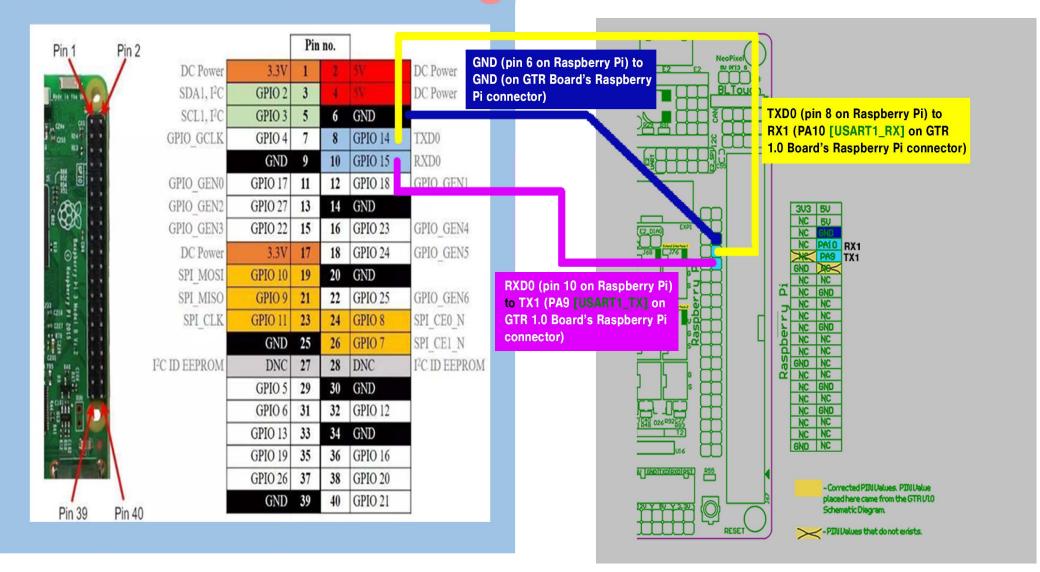
DO NOT connect the Raspberry Pi 5V and 3.3V PINS to the GTR 1.0 board. Connecting the 5V and 3.3V PINS would bypass the fuses on the Raspberry Pi board and could cause issues to BOTH the Raspberry Pi board and the GTR V1.0 board. In fact, I recommend powering the Raspberry Pi from an independent and separate 5V power supply but connect the GND on the Raspberry Pi power supply to the GND on the GTR V1.0 board.

## Pi 3B+/4 @ GPIO connector: PINS used: TXD0, RXD0 and GND (8-10-6):





**Cross Connect Diagram:** 



You also have to change some settings in the Raspberry pi 3B+/4 operating system.

### Raspberry Pi 3B+/4 Changes that need to be made:

### Login to your Raspberry Pi.

#### Swapping ports used by GPIO and Bluetooth

The first thing to change in the serial connection is to swap the ports used by the GPIO pins and the internal Bluetooth chip. We need to add a line in the boot config file on the boot partition.

Log in to the Pi3 with SSH on the IP address used.

Type in sudo nano /boot/config.txt

Move the cursor to the end of the file by cursor and add:

dtoverlay=pi3-miniuart-bt

save the file and exit the editor by control+O, hit enter then hit control+X

#### Disabling the serial console

Moving to another config file, where part of the code must be deleted to disable serial console.

Type in sudo nano /boot/cmdline.txt

Look for following string (text) and delete it

console=serial0,115200

save the file and exit the editor by control+O and control+X

#### Rebooting RPi

For all changes to take effect, please reboot your Raspberry Pi 3

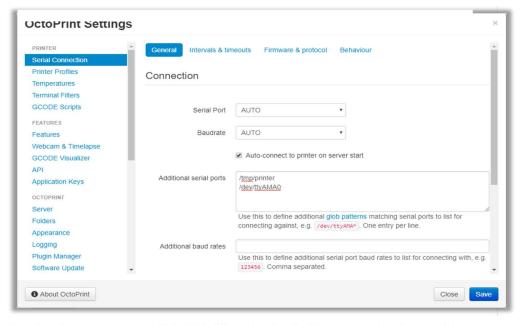
Type in Sudo reboot

#### Adding the serial port in Octoprint

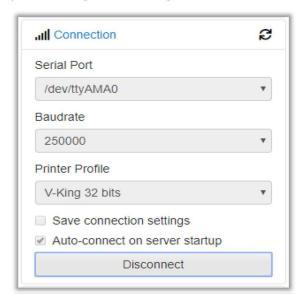
Last part of the configuration is in the Octoprint web interface. Open your browser and type either "octoprint.local" or the IP address of the Pi 3. You might be greeted with the welcome wizard, please go through it first.

As soon as you arrive at the home screen, open "Settings" (top right), head to "Serial Connection", then "Additional serial ports" and insert following:

/dev/ttyAMA0



Save the change and reboot OctoPrint. After reboot, select the new port and connect to your printer. Making connection might take a few seconds longer then with USB.



\*1 This information was taken from BIGTREETECH SKRV1.3 Guide 2019 - 6 .PDF and adjusted for the GTR V1.0 Board.

## Marlin 2.0.x Setup for Communicating with the Raspberry Pi via the Raspberry Pi Connector

- GTR Board has 4 numbers for SERIAL\_PORT/SERIAL\_PORT\_2: -1 for USB port; 1 for serial connection on Raspberry Pi Interface; 3 for TFT port; 6 for WIFI port.
- The SERIAL\_PORT in Marlin is the one you want to use to get all errors reported. The SERIAL\_PORT\_2 is the secondary port. The secondary port will only receive errors on the connections the secondary port sends out on.
- In Configuration.h set SERIAL\_PORT to 1 and SERIAL\_PORT\_2 to 3 using these setting Marlin will use the TX1/RX1 on the Raspberry Pi Interface to communicate with Octoprint. The TFT (3) screen will receive secondary information.

