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CO-1	Identify the issues and challenges related to industry, society and environment.	Apply
CO-2	Describe the identified problem and formulate the possible solutions	Apply
CO-3	Design / Fabricate new experimental set up/devices to provide solutions for the identified problems	Analyse
CO-4	Prepare a detailed report describing the project outcome	Apply
CO-5	Communicate outcome of the project and defend by making an effective oral presentation.	Apply

## MAPPING OF PO & PSO WITH THE PROJECT OUTCOME

Cos	COURSE STATEMENT	BLOOMS LEVEL	PO 1	PO 2	PO 3	PO 4	PO 5	PO 6	PO 7	PO 8	PO 9	PO 10	PO 11	PO 12	PS O1	PS O2	PS O3
1	Formulate a real world problem, identify the requirement and develop the design solutions.	K3	3	3	3			3	3	3	3	3			3	3	3
2	Identify technical ideas, strategies and methodologies	K3	3	3	3			3	3	3	3	3			3	3	3
3	Utilize the new tools, algorithms, techniques that contribute to obtain the solution of the project	K4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3		3	3	3	3
4	Test and validate through conformance of the developed prototype and analysis the cost-effectiveness.	K4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
5	Prepare report and present oral demonstration	K4	3							3	3	3		3	3		3
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## **ABSTRACT**

This project report is on a wall climbing cleaning robot that is designed to cater the demand of high rise building maintenance where human involvement is dangerous. A wall a robot must need a mean to cling on a vertical surface. Propeller thrust force is considered for designing the robot as a mean to cling on a vertical surface for this project. The thrust force must be sufficient enough to hold the whole body of the robot on a vertical surface. A brushless DC motor is selected to produce the required RPM to rotate the propeller for the thrust force. For the movement on the surface of the wall, the robot uses four rubber wheels which are connected to four gear motors that can move at any direction while subjected to the propeller thrust force. These gear motors are able to generate enough torque to move the robot on the wall. A suitable Li-Po battery is used as a power supply for the whole robot. Since it is a remote control robot a very precise coding is done to control all the motors through a motor driver and an Arduino Nano. The chassis of the robot plays a very important role. It will be subjected to deformation and the chassis will also have to be light weight. Aluminum polymer Composite Material is used to meet all the requirements. A custom cleaning mechanism is designed to serve the cleaning purpose. A set of springs are integrated into this mechanism in such way that it will engage on operator's command. This mechanism is designed such in a way that it does a negligible interference to the thrust force and its components. The cleaning mechanism is driven by a servo motor. The wheels are set in such a way that the outer periphery of the front wheels will be slightly outside of the chassis so that it can climb on a vertical surface without any external assistance.



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# INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this paper is a capable of a simple and light weight robotic structure. It combines a set of motions composed of parallel linear motion, rotational motion and interference avoidance motion. In modern society, there is an increasing need for climbing robots to clean, weld or inspect different kinds of surfaces of high buildings, large oil tanks and rough concrete facilities, replacing workers in these hazardous environments. Consequently, robotic technologies have been developed and applied according to the need in different fields. However, some problems, such as difficulty in overcoming barriers and complex structures, also emerge. So, the robotic structure developed in this paper will be designed to clean wall glass.

## II- PROBLEM STATEMENT

Currently, market demands many automatic glass cleaning systems. The requirements of glass cleaning robot are listed below:

- The size of the robot should be small and light weight for ability and portability
- The robot must be able to clean corner because fouling is left there often
- The robot must be able to sweep the wall pane continuously to prevent stripe pattern on the glass.
- The robot can operate automatically during moving on the glass wall.

## III – OBJECTIVE

The objective of this project is to design a robotic device for used in cleaning glass in high-rise building.

- To Fabricate the Low weight plastic chassis.
- Working of Proximity sensor with microcontroller.
- Analyzing the behavior and characteristic of the proximity sensor
- The prototype of glass cleaning robot that we are developing. The dimensions of prototyped robot are approximately 300mm x300mmx100mm and its weight is approximately 1-1.5 kg.
- The prototyped robot consists of two independently driven wheels and an active suction cup.

## IV- LITERATURE REVIEW

In this chapter following research paper has been studied for the conduction of this project.

Many researchers have worked on wall climbing robot mechanisms and specialized applications.

- To moakiyano, etal has developed as emiself- contained wall climbing robot with scanning type suction cups which has two vacuum pumps that gave positive results.
- James Jkerley has conferred in his paper about invention of robotic devices, especially to mobile robot that is able to move in caterpillar fashion along a variety of different surfaces.

Ritesh G. Mahajan and Prof. S. M. Patil explained, the Wall Climbing Robot (WCR) having capability that it can stick on a vertical as well as inclined surface and can easily move over the surface. The targeted capability to stick with surface can be achieved by suction cups. Suction cups create a vacuum pressure used to stick with vertical or inclined surface. For movement(climbing)of robot it is necessary that's one of suction cup should release & that arrangement is obtained by developing the structure such that in which one frame is used to hold the robot to wall & other for climbing (vertical movement of robot). The motion of the other frame is carried out by providing rack & pinion type mechanism. The whole action is controlled by an Arduino and the commands sending on the

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## Chapter 02: Design and Construction

### 2.1 - Methodology and Planning

A Flow Chart and a Gantt Chart of the Methodology and Planning adopted in approaching the design and to fabricate the final product are as below:

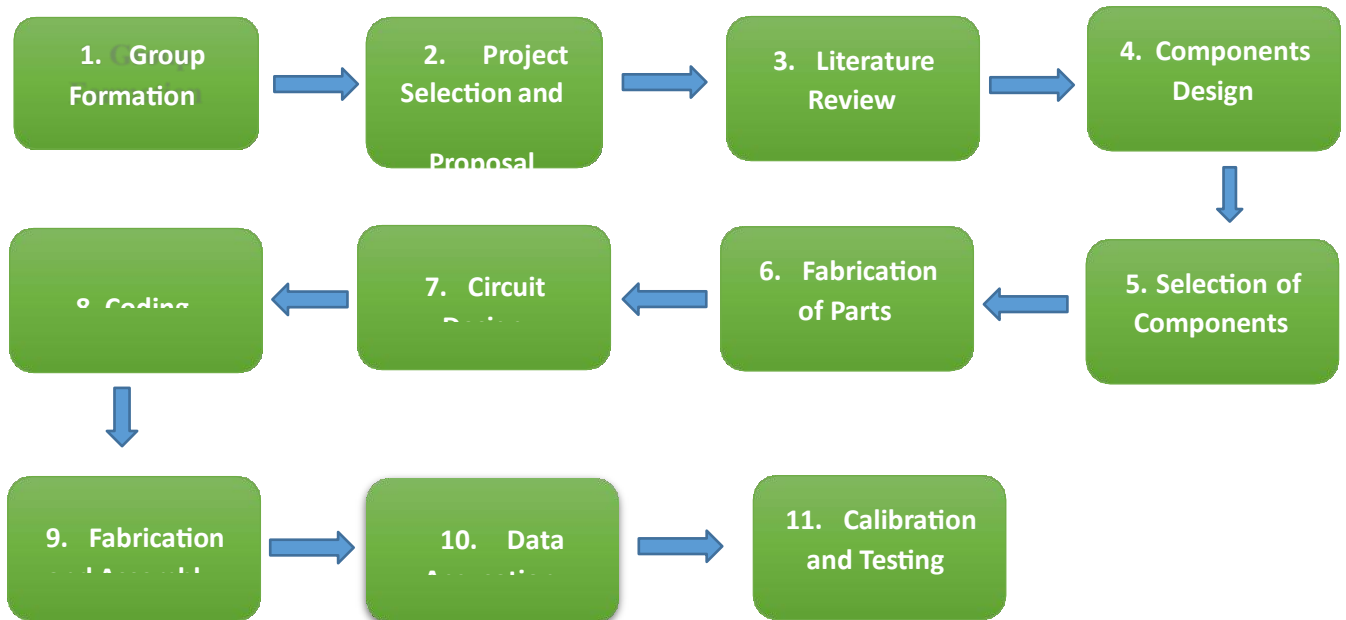
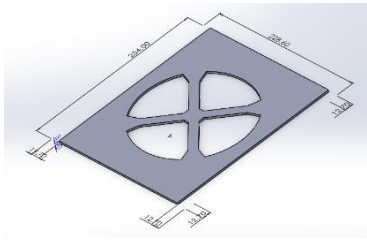


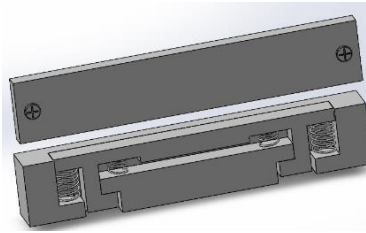
Figure 2.1.1: Flow Chart of Methodology and Planning

Task	Weeks	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
1	Project Selection and Proposal												
2	Literature Review												
3	Selection of Components												
4	Components Design												
5	Fabrication of Parts												
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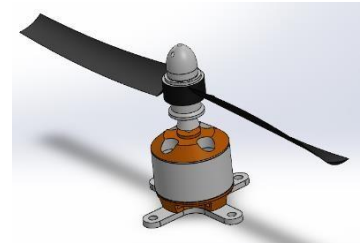
Figure 2.1.2: Gantt Chart of Methodology and Planning



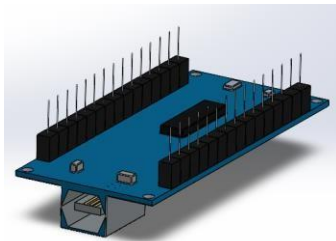
**Fig 2.2.3: Chassis**



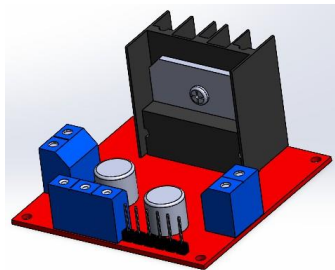
**Fig 2.2.4: Cleaning Mechanism**



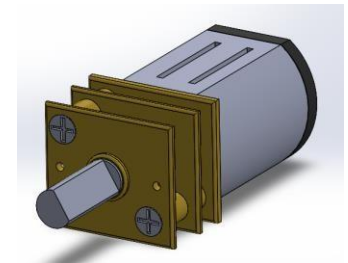
**Fig 2.2.5: BLDC Motor**



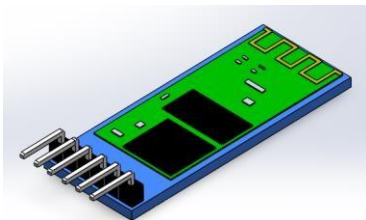
**Fig 2.2.6: Arduino Nano**



**Fig 2.2.7: Motor Driver**



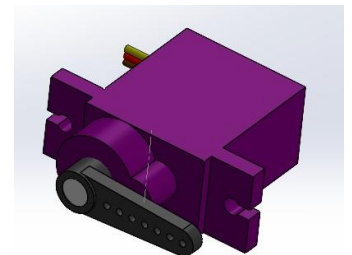
**Fig 2.2.8: Gear Motor**



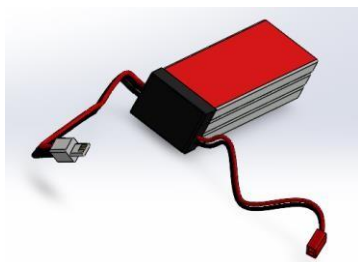
**Fig 2.2.9: Bluetooth Module**



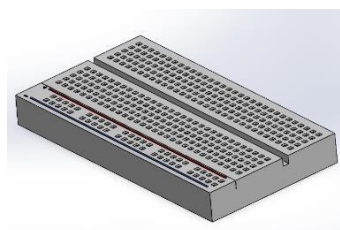
**Fig 2.2.10: Wheel**



**Fig 2.2.11: Servo Motor**



**Fig 2.2.12: LiPo Battery**



**Fig 2.2.13: Breadboard**



**Fig 2.2.14: Button**

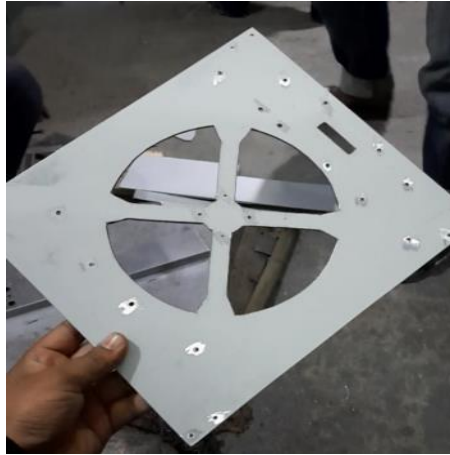
## 2.2 - Details of Core Components

❖ List of All components and respective mass:

No	Component	Quantity	Total Mass (gm)
1	Chassis	1	139.0
2	Wheel	4	77.6
3	N20 Gear Motor	4	38.8
4	Breadboard	2	66.6
5	BLDC Motor	1	50.0
6	Propeller	1	6.0
7	Motor Driver	1	26.0
8	Arduino Nano	1	7.0
9	Bluetooth Module	1	3.5
10	Battery	1	177.5
11	ESC	1	28.0
12	Servo	1	9.0
13	Motor Mount	5	15.0
14	Button	1	7.0
15	Cleaning Mechanism + Wire + Fasteners + battery shield+ Others	-	57
Overall Approximate Mass			708 gm

## 1 Chassis:

Aluminum Composite Panel (ACP) has been used as chassis Material because of its light-weight and high bending resistance. 4mm thick panel is chosen. It is made up of aluminum composite material (ACM), which contains two thinly coated aluminum sheets. Being comprised of two distinct materials that is metals and non-metal, as aluminum is a metal and polyethylene plastic is a nonmetal, it overcomes the limitations and the drawbacks of the original material. The chassis weight is approximately 139 gram. It has a length of 254mm, width is 198mm, height is 4mm. There is a central circle with a diameter of 6 inch. Two 12.7mm or half inch bar thick coming from the periphery intersect with each other in the middle of the circle and divide it into 4 equal quadrants. This design has done to minimize the deformation.



**Figure 2.3.2:** Chassis

## 1. BLDC Motor:

A Brushless DC Electric Motor (BLDC) is an electric motor powered by a direct current voltage supply and commutated by an electronic commutator continuously switches the DC current through the windings, and thus switches the magnetic field too. This way, the rotor can keep rotating as long as the motor is powered. An A2212/6T 2200KV brushless motor has been used in this project. Here A2212 is an indication of motor's structural properties. It means 22mm motor diameter, 12mm motor shaft height. 6T represents 6 turns per pole. 2200KV means if 1V supply is given to the motor, it will rotate 2200 times in one minute.



**Figure 2.3.3:** Brushless DC Motor



## 2. Propeller:

A device for propelling an aircraft or boat, consisting of a shaft with radiating blades that are placed so as to thrust air or water in a desired direction when spinning. The reason behind using this in this project to generate thrust force which allows the robot stick on the wall. A 6 inches propeller has been attached with the BLDC.



**Figure 2.3.4:** Propeller

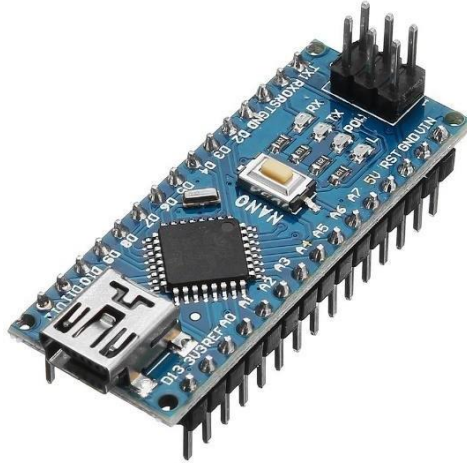
## 3. Electronic Speed Controller (ESC):

ESC or an Electronic Speed Controller controls the brushless motor movement or speed by activating the appropriate MOSFETs to create the rotating magnetic field so that the motor rotates. The higher the frequency or the quicker the ESC goes through the 6 intervals, the higher the speed of the motor will be. Though a 30A ESC is used but a 50A or 80A ESC would be more appropriate considering the specification of the BLDC that has been used in the project.



### Arduino Nano:

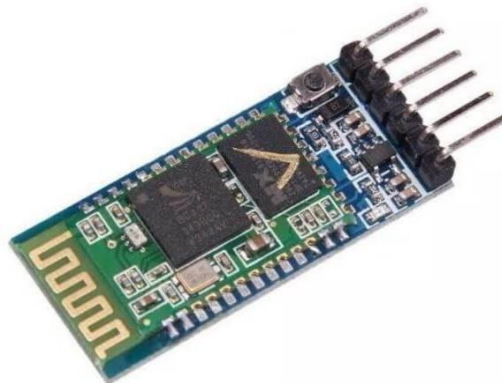
Arduino Nano is a small, compatible open-source electronic development board based on an 8-bit AVR microcontroller. Two versions of this board are available, one is based on ATmega328p, and the other on Atmega168. ATmega328p has been applied in this project. There are 14 digital pins on board which is used to connect external component. 6 analog pins on board that is used to measure voltage in a range from 0 to 5V.  $V_{in}$  pin inputs voltage to the Arduino board when using an external power source (6-12V). 5V and 3.3V pin produce 5V and 3.3V respectively by voltage regulator. Two ground pins are available on the board. There are as many other pins with different functionality.



**Figure 2.3.6:** Arduino Nano

### 4. Bluetooth Module:

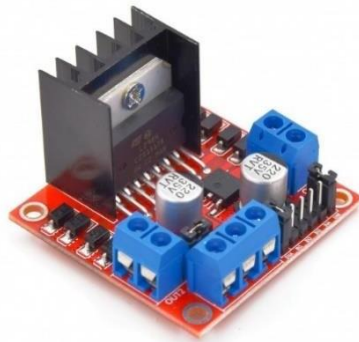
This module gives the Arduino board the possibility to communicate with the computer, laptop or even telephone via Bluetooth. HC-05 Bluetooth module is connected with the Arduino Nano for this project. The working voltage is 5V and the signal covering range is 10 meters of this module.



**Figure 2.3.7:** Bluetooth Module

#### 4 Motor Driver:

A Motor Drive is a electronic system that includes an electric motor and drives the machine. Generally, it controls the speed, torque, directions .When we need to control the motor using a controller, we need a motor driver. For this project, a L298N H-Bridge motor driver has been connected. This L298N Motor Driver Module is a high power motor driver module for driving DC and Stepper Motors. This module consists of an L298 motor driver IC and a 78M05 5V regulator. L298N Module can control up to 4 DC motors, or 2 DC motors with directional and speed control.



**Figure 2.3.8:** Motor Driver

#### 5. Gear Motor:

Four N20 12V 110RPM gear motor are attached on the robot. This is a DC Mini Metal Gear Motor, ideal for making robots .Light weight, high torque and low RPM. Fine craftsmanship, durable, not easy to wear. With excellent stall characteristics, can climb hills easily. For this project, these motor are the main components in climbing the vertical surface by generating high torque.



**Figure 2.3.9:** Gear Motor

## 6. Servo Motor:

Servo motors are high torque motors which are commonly used in robotics and several other applications due to the fact that it's easy to control their rotation. Servo motors have a geared output shaft which can be electrically controlled to turn one (1) degree at a time. A MG90S 9g servo motor is mounted on the cleaning mechanism of the robot. Overall weight of the servo is around 9 grams and its stall torque 2.0kg/cm (4.8V). It has 180 degree rotational range.



Figure 2.3.10: Servo Motor

## 7. Battery:

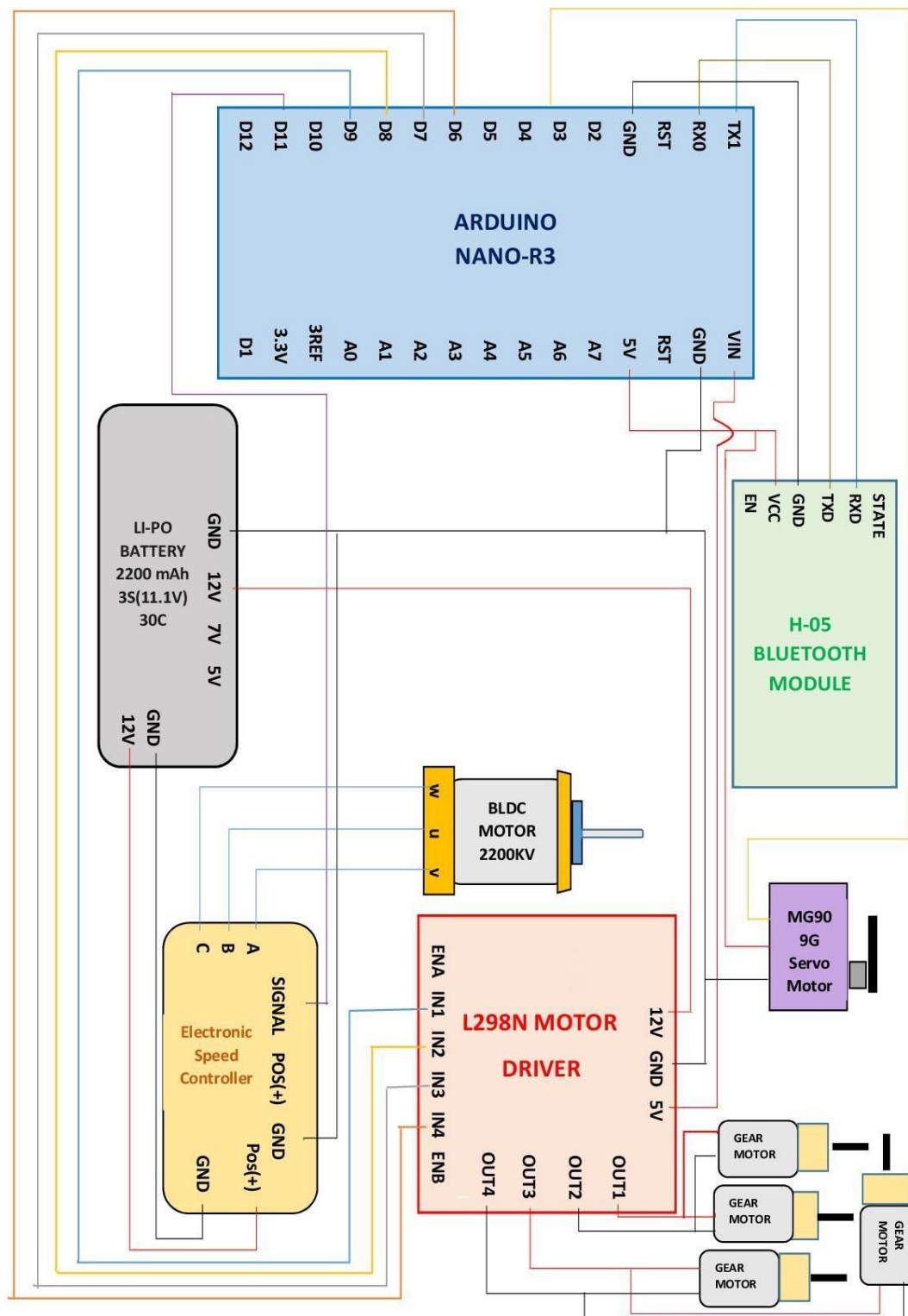
A lithium polymer battery, or more correctly lithium-ion polymer battery is a rechargeable battery of lithium-ion technology using a polymer electrolyte instead of a liquid electrolyte. High conductivity semisolid (gel) polymers form this electrolyte. A 2200mAh 11V 3S 20C Li-Po battery is used as power source in this project. It has 3 cell. The full charge voltage is 12.7, rated voltage is 11.1 and continuous discharge rate is 20C.



Figure 2.3.11: Li-Po Battery

## 2.3 - Circuit Diagram

The schematic circuit diagram of this Wall Climbing Cleaner Robot is as follow:

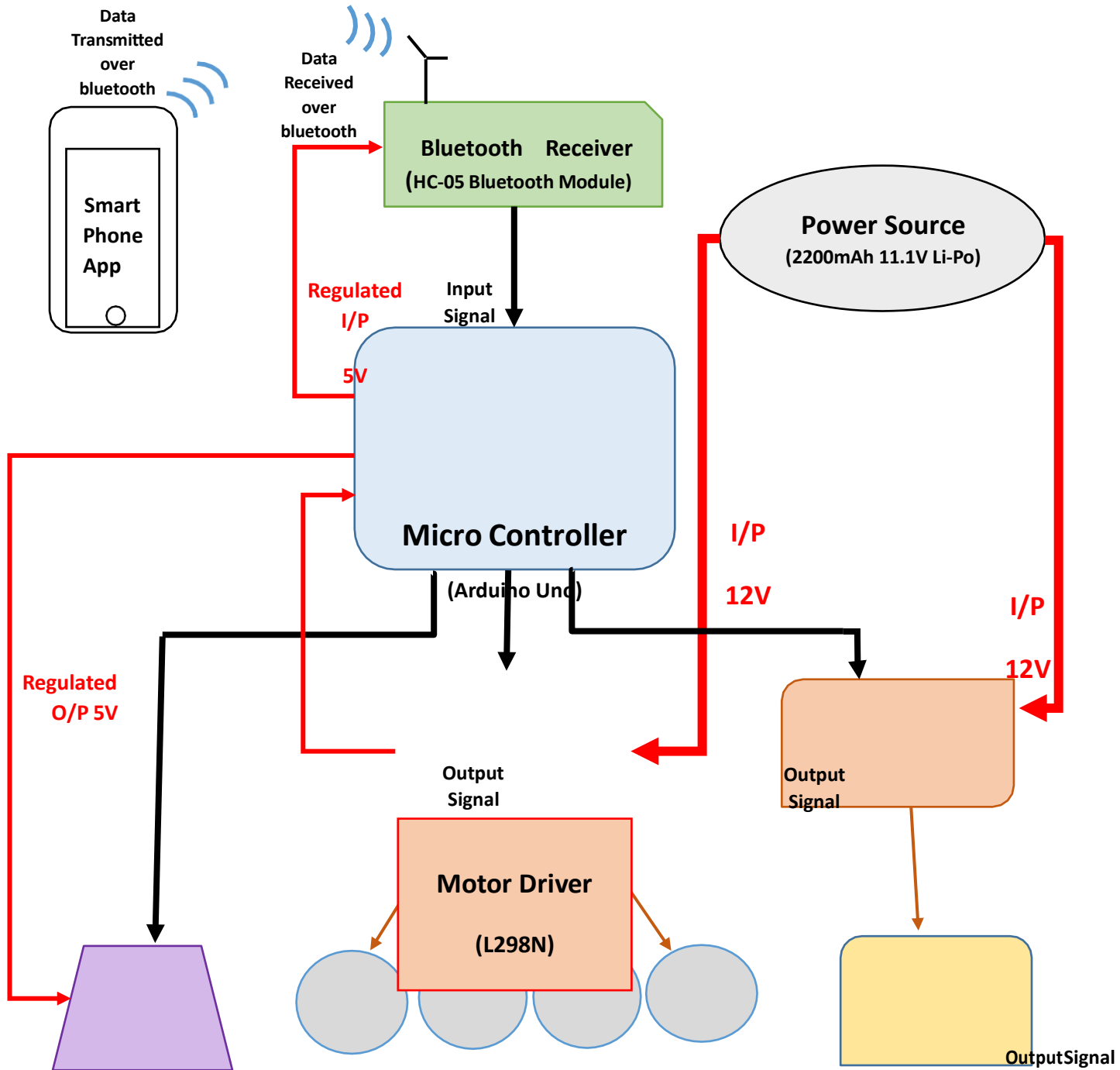


**Figure 2.4.1:** Schematic Circuit Diagram of Wall Climbing Cleaner Robot

## Chapter 03: Working Methodology

### 3.1 - Illustration of working Methodology

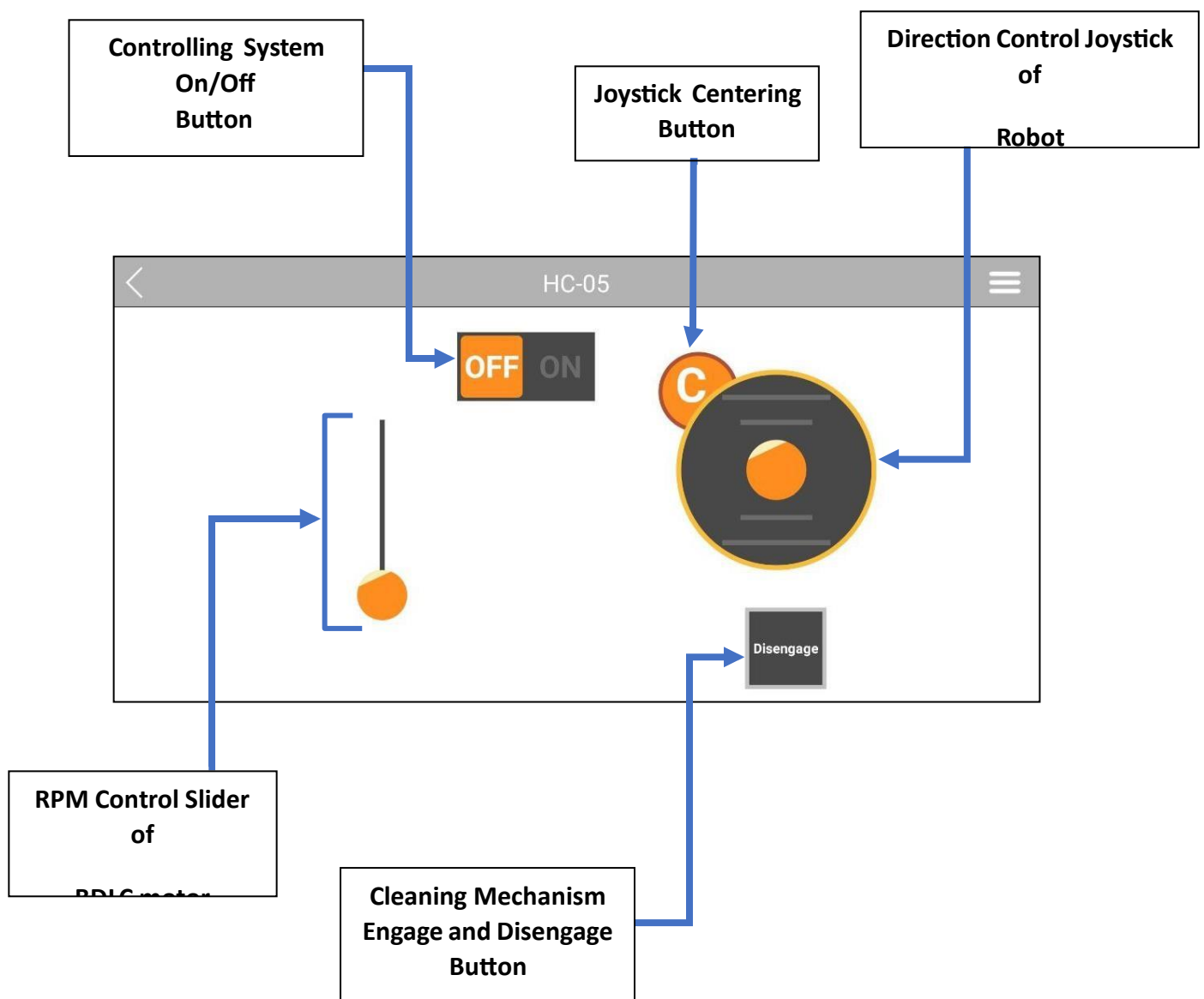
The Block Diagram of working methodology of Wall Climbing Cleaner Robot fabricated for this project are given below:



### 3.2 - Layout of Robot Controlling Remote

The following Layout of our Robot Controlling Remote has been designed in RemoteXY website. It is an online open platform where developer can design and customize his own unique graphical user interface (GUI) to control Arduino via smartphone or tablet. The GUI runs on the phone or tablet by RemoteXY application. Our graphical interface has been designed to:

- i. Control the direction of the Robot
- ii. Control the RPM of the BLDC motor
- iii. Engaging and Disengaging Cleaning Mechanism
- iv. Turn off and Turn on the whole controlling system



**Figure 3.2.1:** Layout of Robot Controlling Remote

### 3.3 – Working Procedure

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The working procedure of this Wall Climbing Cleaner Robot is explained step by step and the visuals of relative working action are as follow:

1. There is a push type on-off button which use to connect or disconnect the motor driver with the 12V of the Li-Po battery. As the Arduino's 5V connection comes from the motor driver and Bluetooth module gets power by the Arduino. Soby turning on this button, approximately full system gets power except ESC. Because the ESCis directly connected with the main 12 V of Li-Po
2. After turning on the switch, the red indication light of the robot turns into the green after a while. The green light indicates that the robot is ready tooperate.
3. While the green light is on, the android RemoteXY application need to open and connectit to our robot's Bluetooth. Then the turn onbutton of our GUI need to turn on to use other controlling functionality of the remote designed to control the robot. By using joystick of the controlling layout, the robot is controlled andmoved it to the climbing point.
4. The wheels of the robot have been set in such a way, so that it can climb up itself to the initial climbing position. For this, the joystick only needto slide in forward driving position to set it on theinitial climbing position
5. After setting on the initial climbing position, the operator slide up the RPM control slider of controlling remote. By sliding up, operatorincreases the RPM of the BLDC motor. It increases the thrust force. The operator increasesit until the robot stuck the wall properly.
6. After the operator think that that the robot has clung with the vertical surface properly, he movesit on the vertical surface with the direction controljoystick. Then he moves it to the cleaning point of the vertical surface
7. After reaching to the point which need to becleaned, the cleaning mechanism is engaged by the operator by pressing the Engage-Disengage button of the controlling GUI. After engaging thebutton, operator need to wait until the indication light turns into blue from green. The blue light indicates that the cleaning mechanism has been engaged on the surface and ready to clean.
8. Then the operator simply move the robot over thepoint which need to be cleaned. The cleaning device simply wipes such type of dirt which can be cleaned by the cleaning device. Thus, the cleaning is happened
9. After completing the cleaning, the robot isclimbed down carefully by the operator.



## Chapter 04: Experimentation and Calculation

### 4.1 - Electronic Speed Controller (ESC) Selection [ Back to : [Subchap 5.3](#) / [Subchap 5.4](#) ]

Calculation Load current of the BLDC A2212/6T 2200KV 3 phase induction motor:

From the specification of this BLDC,

Power,  $P = 239\text{W}$

Assuming Power Factor,  $\cos\phi = 0.8$

Measured line to line voltage of 3 phase connection,  $V_{\text{line}} = 7.95\text{ V}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Load current draw by BLDC motor, } I_{\text{rms.load}} &= P / \sqrt{3} ( 3 * V_{\text{line}} * \cos\phi ) \\ &= 239 / \sqrt{3} ( 3 * 7.95 * 0.8 ) \\ &= 54.72\text{ A}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we need at least 50A ESC to run our robot properly. But due to the unavailability, we used a 30A ESC instead. For this, while running the BLDC, the ESC generating excessive heat that why we get a short running time.

### 4.2 - Condition for Clinging on Vertical Surface

- Measuring the thrust force generating by the propeller:

Firstly, the BLDC motor attached with a six inches propeller was placed on the weight machine and rotated it near to full angular speed. The BLDC is connected through a 30A ESC with 12V 2200mAh Li-Po battery. The reading measured from the weight machine was 917 gm.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Therefore the thrust force generated by the propeller, } F_{\text{Thrust}} &= (917/1000)\text{ Kg} * 9.81\text{m/s}^2 \\ &= 8.99577\text{ N}\end{aligned}$$

By applying static equilibrium equation horizontally,

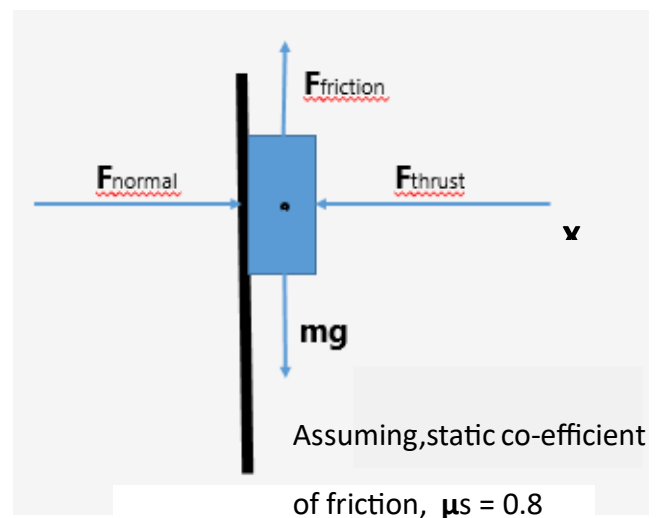
$$\begin{aligned}\leftarrow (+) \sum F_x &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow F_{\text{thrust}} - F_{\text{normal}} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $F_{\text{thrust}} = F_{\text{normal}}$  ..... ( i )

By applying static equilibrium equation vertically,

$$\begin{aligned}\uparrow (+) \sum F_y &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow F_{\text{friction}} - mg &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow F_{\text{friction}} &= mg \\ \Rightarrow \mu_s \cdot F_{\text{normal}} &= mg \\ \Rightarrow \mu_s \cdot F_{\text{thrust}} &= mg \quad [\text{from eq. i}]\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $F_{\text{thrust}} = mg/\mu_s$



**Figure 4.2.1:** Free-body diagram of

In sense, if thrust force is greater than  $mg/\mu_s$  then the body should be more static. Hence,

$$F_{\text{thrust}} \geq mg/\mu_s$$

$$\text{So, } m \leq (F_{\text{thrust}} \cdot \mu_s) / g$$

$$\Rightarrow m \leq (8.99577 \cdot 0.8) / 9.81$$

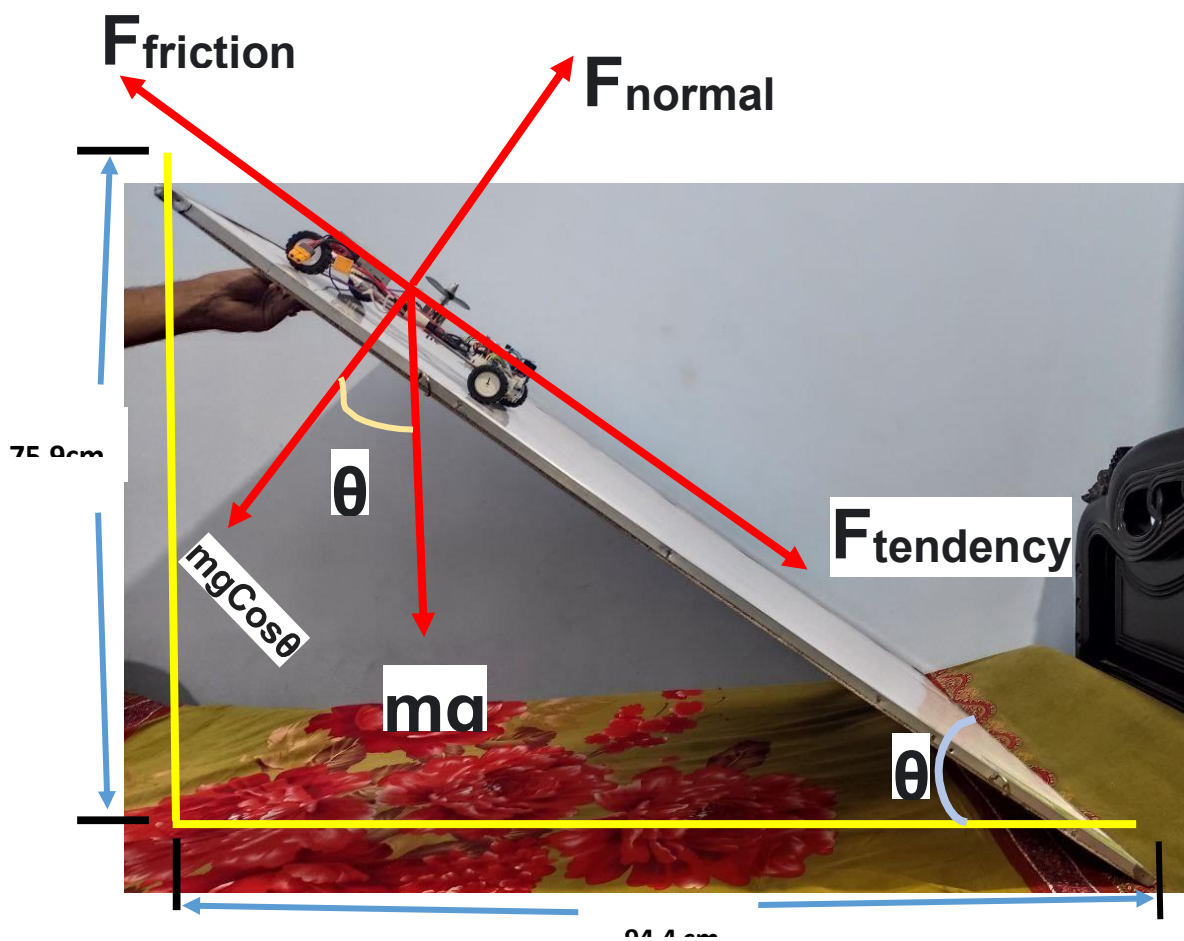
$$\Rightarrow m \leq 0.733 \text{ kg}$$

$$\therefore m \leq 733 \text{ gm}$$

According to this calculating we have to pack up our Wall climbing cleaner robot's overall mass within 733 gm.

#### 4.3 - Maximum Mass of Robot can be Clung on Different Surface

- On White Board



**Figure 4.3.1:** Experiment of determining the static frictional coefficient of rubber tyre on white board

### Friction Force a Normal Reacion Force

$$\Rightarrow F_{\text{friction}} = \mu_s * F_{\text{normal}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_s = F_{\text{friction}} / F_{\text{normal}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_s = mg \sin\theta / mg \cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_s = \tan\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_s = 79.9 / 94.4$$

Therefore,  $\mu_s \approx 0.80402$

Hence, static friction co-efficient of rubber tyre on white board is approximately 0.80402

Probable mass can be clung when the vertical surface is a white board,

From 4.2,

$$m \leq ( F_{\text{thrust}} * \mu_s ) / g$$

$$\Rightarrow m \leq ( 8.99577 \text{ N} * 0.80402 ) / 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow m \leq 0.73729 \text{ Kg}$$

Therefore,  $m \leq 737.29 \text{ gm}$

According to this calculation, we have to pack up our Wall climbing cleaner robot's overall mass within 737.29 gm while clinging on white board surface.

Surfaces in contact	$\mu$ . Static friction coefficient
Wood on wood	0,5
Steel on ice	0,03
Teflon on teflon	0,04
Rubber on dry cement	1
Glass on glass	0,9
Ski (waxed) on snow (0°C)	0,1
Wood on leather	0,5
Aluminum on steel	0,61
Human joints	0,02

From 4.2,

**Fig 4.3.2: Climbing on Dry Concrete**

$$\Rightarrow m \leq (8.99577 \text{ N} * 1) / 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

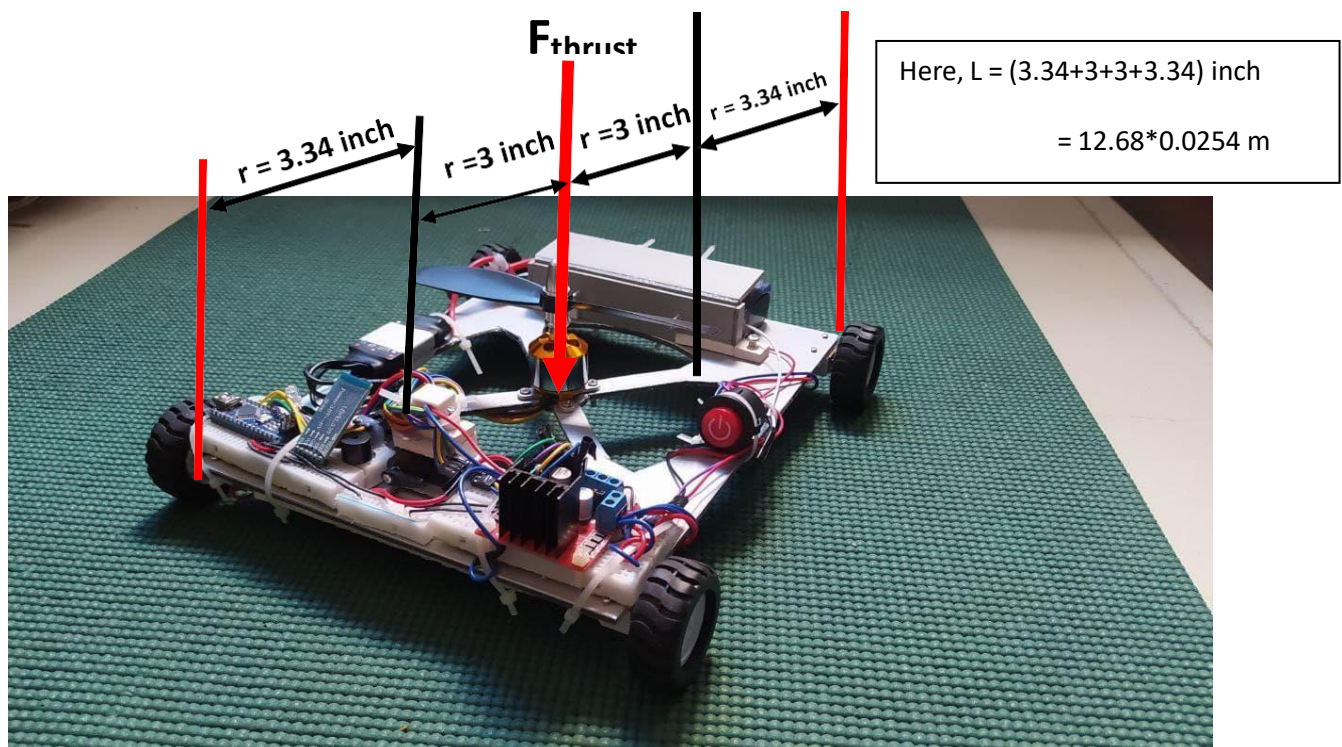
$$\Rightarrow m \leq 0.917 \text{ Kg}$$

$$\Rightarrow m \leq 917 \text{ gm}$$

According to this calculation, we have to pack up our Wall Climbing Cleaner robot's overall mass within 917gm while clinging on dry concrete surface.

#### 4.4 - Chassis Material Selection

We have to select such type of chassis material which has certain amount of bending moment to resist bending of chassis.



Assuming this case is with in simply supported beam with constant cross-sectional area :

Moment produced due to thrust force  $F_{thrust}$ ,

$$M_C = F_{thrust} * L / 4$$

$$= 8.99577 * 0.3134 / 4$$

$$= 0.7049 \text{ Nm}$$

So, the moment produce due to thrust force is 0.7049 Nm

Now determining resistive internal bending moment of ACP material,

$$M./I = \sigma_b / y$$

$$\Rightarrow M = \sigma_b * I / y$$

Here,

Width,  $b = 1.4 \text{ cm} = 0.014 \text{ m}$

Thickness,  $h = 4 \text{ mm} = 0.004 \text{ m}$

Moment of inertia,  $I = bh^3 / 12 = 7.467 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^4$

Distance from neutral axis,  $y = 0.014/2 = 0.007 \text{ m}$

$$\Rightarrow M = (\sigma_b * bh^3 / 12) / (b/2)$$

$$\Rightarrow M = (\sigma_b * bh^3 / 12) / (b/2)$$

$$\Rightarrow M = (145 \times 10^6) * (7.467 \times 10^{-11} / 0.007)$$

$$\Rightarrow M = 1.55 \text{ Nm}$$

□ In sense, if,

$M_C > M$  : then it should bend

$M_C < M$  : then it should not bend

As, we get  $M = 1.55 \text{ Nm}$  and  $M_C = 0.7049 \text{ Nm}$ . So, it satisfies our desired condition,  $M_C < M$ .

Hence, ACP is suitable chassis material for this project.

#### 4.5 - Torque and Force Calculation of Gear Motor

Radius of wheel,  $r = 2.15 \text{ cm} = 0.0215 \text{ m}$

For gear motor,

Voltage,  $V = 12 \text{ V}$

Current,  $I = 70 \text{ mA} = 70 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}$

From specification of our gear motor,

Angular velocity,  $\omega = (2 * \pi * 110) / 60$   
 $= 11.52 \text{ rad/sec}$

So, power,

$$P = \tau * \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = P / \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = VI / \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = 12 * 70 \times 10^{-3} / 11.52$$

Therefore,  $\tau = 0.0729 \text{ Nm}$

We know torque,  $\tau = r * F_{\text{gear}}$

So, force generated by gear motor,

$$F_{\text{gear}} = \tau / r = 0.0729 / 0.0215$$

$$= 3.391 \text{ N}$$

For climbing on the vertical surface the gear motor should provide such amount of force  $F_{\text{desired}}$ .

$$F_{\text{desired}} = F_{\text{thrust}} / 4 = 8.99577 / 4 = 2.249 \text{ N}$$

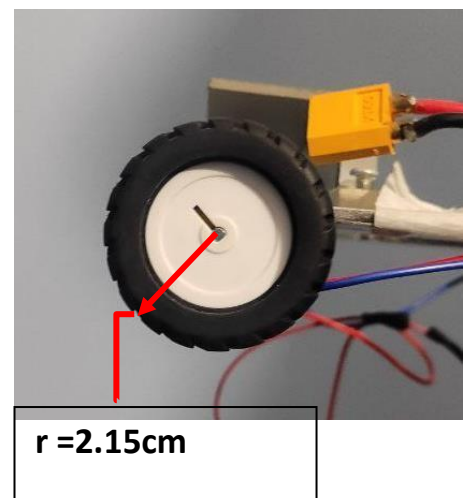
So, force can delivered by each gear motor  $F_{\text{gear}} = 3.391 \text{ N}$ , Force have to face while climbing on the vertical surface is  $F_{\text{desired}} = 2.249 \text{ N}$

In sense, if,

$F_{\text{gear}} = F_{\text{desired}}$  : The robot will operate under thrust force

$F_{\text{gear}} > F_{\text{desired}}$  : It can successfully operate with more stability under thrust force

$F_{\text{gear}} < F_{\text{desired}}$  : It can't be operate under thrust force



The reason behind dividing the thrust force by 4 because there are Force gear motor installed

For our robot,  $F_{\text{gear}} = 3.391 \text{ N}$  and  $F_{\text{desired}} = 2.249 \text{ N}$

So,  $F_{\text{gear}} > F_{\text{desired}}$  is satisfied

Hence, the robot can successfully climb with more stability under thrust force.

## **Chapter 05: Result and Discussion**

### **5.1 - Objectives Completed**

- ✓ Design and fabricate a robot that can climb and clean the vertical surface. [[See, Subchapter 3.3](#)]
- ✓ Construct a custom cleaning mechanism that puts less amount of force against thrust force as the robot will mainly hold itself on the wall by thrust force. [[See, Subchapter 1.5](#)]
- ✓ Build a robot that can climb faster than the suction based climbing robot.

### **5.2 - Objectives Not Achieved**

All of the three objective have been achieved successfully. No objective changed during the project timeline.

### **5.3 - Limitations**

- If the full robotic system runs continuously with a full charge of 2200mAh 12V Li-Po battery, it will run only three and a half or four minutes. So, the duration of work with a full charge is very low.
- The cleaning mechanism that has been installed on this robot is very inefficient in terms of cleaning. The width of cleaning area by a single wipe is very small. [[See, Subchapter 1.5](#)]
- Heating issue is one of the major limitations of this robot. The heat mainly generates in the ESC and BLDC motor. [[See, Subchapter 4.1](#)]
- The signal range is very short. A HC-05 Bluetooth module is used as signal receiver in this project. The range is only 10 meters or approximately 30 feet.

### **5.4 - Future Improvements**

- A vacuum and thrust based hybrid wall climbing robot can be developed in the future. A vacuum based system shows more stability while clinging on the wall than the thrust based. On contrary, thrust based system is faster in climbing on the wall. [[See, Subchapter 1.6](#)]. This combination can make this robot more efficient.
- More versatile and efficient cleaning mechanism can be developed. There are various type of vertical surface which need different types of cleaning. For this project, we have only focused on the smooth surface, like glass.
- It can be integrated with sensors. By this, the robot will become a self-operating, self-detecting cleaner robot.

## **Chapter 06: Conclusion**

In this project, our objective was to design a cost efficient simple wall climbing cleaning robot. Among the other mean of wall climbing methods the propeller thrust method is quite cost effective and easy to design. During the climbing operation, a very precise calculation is done so that it can generate enough thrust to cling the whole body of the robot to the vertical surface. A very important term in this calculation was the determining the friction coefficient ( $\mu_s$ ) in static condition of the rubber wheels of the robot on white board. It was calculated through an experimental procedure. The programming code of the robot is also a vital part. This needs to be done in the most accurate way possible otherwise the robot will not work properly. The cleaning mechanism is a custom made mechanism which is designed especially for this robot. A separate calculation is also done for the stress and deformation of the chassis. It is a very important step as this calculation is directly related to material selection for the chassis. Overall weight distribution and the component set ups and their positions also plays a very important role for this robot to maintain its stability and fluent operation. However, this project is at its initial stage. Further development and research can be done to maximize the robot's efficiency and to enhance its abilities.

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## Chapter 08: Appendix

### 8.1 - Programming Code

- ❖ Following coding is developed to create a program to control the overall operating system of the robot through GUI designed in RemoteXY website:

```
#define REMOTEXY_MODE_HARDSERIAL
#include <RemoteXY.h>

// RemoteXY connection settings
#define REMOTEXY_SERIAL Serial
#define REMOTEXY_SERIAL_SPEED 9600

// RemoteXY configurate
#pragma pack(push, 1)
uint8_t RemoteXY_CONF[] =
{ 255,5,0,0,0,64,0,15,31,0,
  5,36,66,10,32,32,2,26,31,4,
  0,15,14,8,36,2,26,10,59,77,
  48,13,13,12,26,31,69,110,103,97,
  103,101,0,31,68,105,115,101,110,103,
  97,103,101,0,2,0,31,4,22,11,
  2,26,31,31,79,78,0,79,70,70,
  0 };

// this structure defines all the variables and events of your control interface
struct {
// input variables
int8_t joystick_1_x; // =-100..100 x-coordinate joystick position
int8_t joystick_1_y; // =-100..100 y-coordinate joystick position
int8_t slider_1; // =0..100 slider position
uint8_t switch_1; // =1 if state is ON, else =0
uint8_t switch_2; // =1 if switch ON and =0 if OFF

// other variable
uint8_t connect_flag; // =1 if wire connected, else =0
} RemoteXY;
#pragma pack(pop)
```

```

#include <Servo.h>
Servo Motor;
Servo myservo;
int x=60;

#define PIN_SWITCH_1 13

//define right motor control pins
#define right_motor_A 6
#define right_motor_B 7
#define right_motor_speed 5 //enable pin

//define left motor control pins
#define left_motor_A 8
#define left_motor_B 9
#define left_motor_speed 10 //enable pin

//define two arrays with a list of pins for each motor
uint8_t RightMotor[3] = {right_motor_A, right_motor_B, right_motor_speed};
uint8_t LeftMotor[3] = {left_motor_A, left_motor_B, left_motor_speed};

//speed control of motors
void Wheel (uint8_t * motor, int v) // v = motor speed, motor = pointer to an array of pins
{
    if (v > 100) v=100;
    if (v < -100) v=-100;
    if (v > 0){
        digitalWrite (motor [0], HIGH);
        digitalWrite (motor [1], LOW);
        analogWrite (motor [2], v * 2.55);
    }
    else if ( v<0 ){
        digitalWrite (motor [0], LOW);
        digitalWrite (motor [1], HIGH);
        analogWrite (motor [2], (-v) * 2.55);
    }
}

```

```
else{  
    digitalWrite (motor [0], LOW);  
    digitalWrite (motor [1], LOW);  
    analogWrite (motor [2], 0);  
}  
}
```

```
void setup()  
{  
    RemoteXY_Init ();  
    pinMode(2, OUTPUT);  
    pinMode(4, OUTPUT);  
    pinMode(12, OUTPUT);  
    tone(2, 2500);  
    delay(1000);  
    noTone(2);  
    delay(1000);  
    tone(2, 2500);  
    delay(500);  
    noTone(2);  
    delay(500);  
    tone(2, 2500);  
    delay(500);  
    noTone(2);  
    digitalWrite(4, HIGH);  
  
    myservo.attach(3);  
    myservo.write(150);  
    delay(2000);  
    myservo.write(180);  
    delay(2000);  
    myservo.write(120);  
    delay(2000);  
    myservo.write(60);  
  
    pinMode(3,OUTPUT);  
    digitalWrite(12, LOW);
```

```

pinMode (PIN_SWITCH_1, OUTPUT);

//initialization pins
pinMode (right_motor_A, OUTPUT);
pinMode (right_motor_B, OUTPUT);
pinMode (left_motor_A, OUTPUT);
pinMode (left_motor_B, OUTPUT);

}

void loop()
{
  RemoteXY_Handler ();
  if(RemoteXY.switch_2==1)
  {
    //manage the right motor
    Wheel (RightMotor, RemoteXY.joystick_1_y - RemoteXY.joystick_1_x);
    Wheel (LeftMotor, RemoteXY.joystick_1_y + RemoteXY.joystick_1_x);

    Motor.attach(11,1000,2000);
    Motor.write(RemoteXY.slider_1 * 1.8);

    if(RemoteXY.switch_1==1)
    {
      if(x>30)
      {
        digitalWrite(4, LOW);
        for (x=60; x>0 ; x--)
        {
          // bail out on sensor detect
          myservo.write(x);
          delay(50);
        }
        digitalWrite(12, HIGH);
      }
    }
  }
}

```

```
else
{
  x=0;
  digitalWrite(4, LOW);
  digitalWrite(12, HIGH);
}
}
else
{
  myservo.write(60);
  x=60;

  digitalWrite(12, LOW);
  digitalWrite(4, HIGH);
}
}
else
{

}

}
```



















