#### • Electronic Speed Controllers (ESCs):

- o Devices used to control the speed and direction of thrusters.
- o They translate PWM signals into motor speed.
- o Typical PWM range:
  - 1000 μs: Minimum speed (reverse if supported).
  - 1500 μs: Neutral (stationary).
  - **2000 μs:** Maximum speed (forward).

#### • Thrusters:

- Driven by brushless motors.
- o Controlled individually or in pairs for directional control.

#### **ESC** and Thruster Integration

# • ESC Setup:

- o ESCs require calibration to match PWM ranges. This is usually done once at startup.
- o Each ESC is assigned to a specific thruster.

### • PWM Signal Mapping:

• The code calculates PWM values dynamically based on input commands and control algorithms (e.g., joystick commands, and PID output).

#### **Control Modes**

- 1. **Individual Thruster Control:** Each thruster can be controlled independently.
- 2. **Directional Control:** PWM signals are combined to achieve specific movements (e.g., forward, backward, rotate).

Code:

Global Variables:

Define constant THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL = 1500

Define constant THRUSTER\_PWM\_MIN = 1000

Define constant THRUSTER\_PWM\_MAX = 2000

#### Initialize PWM variables for all thrusters:

Thruster\_intLeftFrontPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL

Thruster\_intLeftBackPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL

 $Thruster\_intRightFrontPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL$ 

Thruster\_intRightBackPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL

Thruster\_intUpFrontPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL

Thruster\_intUpBackPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL

Thruster\_intDownFrontPWM = THRUSTER\_PWM\_NEUTRAL

Thruster intDownBackPWM = THRUSTER PWM NEUTRAL

Function: Thruster\_voidParseCommand

Purpose: Parse the incoming command string and update the PWM values for each thruster.

FUNCTION Thruster\_voidParseCommand(Copy\_strCommand)

FOR each thruster label ('A' to 'H'):

Extract PWM value using Thruster intGetPWMValue(Copy strCommand, thruster label)

Update the corresponding PWM variable:

IF label = 'A': Thruster\_intLeftFrontPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'B': Thruster\_intLeftBackPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'C': Thruster\_intRightFrontPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'D': Thruster\_intRightBackPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'E': Thruster\_intUpFrontPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'F': Thruster\_intUpBackPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'G': Thruster\_intDownFrontPWM = Extracted PWM value

IF label = 'H': Thruster\_intDownBackPWM = Extracted PWM value

END FOR

**END FUNCTION** 

Function: Thruster\_intGetPWMValue

Purpose: Extract the PWM value for a specific thruster from the command string.

FUNCTION Thruster\_intGetPWMValue(Copy\_strCommand, Copy\_charLabel)

StartIndex = Find position of Copy\_charLabel in Copy\_strCommand

EndIndex = Find next space or end of string after StartIndex

PWMValue = Convert substring between StartIndex and EndIndex to integer

RETURN PWMValue

**END FUNCTION** 

Function: Thruster\_voidApplyPWM

Purpose: Apply the calculated PWM values to the ESCs controlling the thrusters.

FUNCTION Thruster\_voidApplyPWM()

FOR each thruster servo:

IF servo = Thruster\_SERLeftFront:

Send Thruster\_intLeftFrontPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERLeftBack:

Send Thruster\_intLeftBackPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERRightFront:

Send Thruster\_intRightFrontPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERRightBack:

Send Thruster\_intRightBackPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERUpFront:

Send Thruster\_intUpFrontPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERUpBack:

Send Thruster\_intUpBackPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERDownFront:

Send Thruster\_intDownFrontPWM to ESC

IF servo = Thruster\_SERDownBack:

Send Thruster\_intDownBackPWM to ESC

END FOR

**END FUNCTION** 

## Joystick Input:

• Directly read the X and Y analog values from the joystick (joystickX on A0, joystickY on A1).

# Mapping:

• Map the raw joystick values (0–1023) to servo angles (0–180).

#### Servo Movement:

• Write the mapped angles to the corresponding servo motors.

#### Reset:

• If the button is pressed, reset both servos to their default angles (90°).

```
FUNCTION setup()

Attach servoX to pin 6

Attach servoY to pin 7

Set buttonPin as INPUT with pull-up

Set initial servo positions to 90° (default)

Start Serial communication

Print initialization message
```

# END FUNCTION

```
FUNCTION loop()
```

Read analog joystick values:

```
joystickValX = analogRead(joystickX)
joystickValY = analogRead(joystickY)
```

```
Map joystick values (0–1023) to servo angles (0–180):
```

```
angleX = map(joystickValX, 0, 1023, minAngle, maxAngle)
angleY = map(joystickValY, 0, 1023, minAngle, maxAngle)
```

Write angles to servos:

```
servoX.write(angleX)
servoY.write(angleY)
```

Print angles to Serial Monitor

IF reset button is pressed:

Call resetPosition()

Delay 100ms

END FUNCTION