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1] Ball Handling Mechanism

The ball handling mechanism is responsible for controlling and manipulating the ball inside the robot. It includes systems for gripping, holding, and passing the ball.

Robot 1 :

Actuators

Purpose: Controlling and manipulating the ball inside the robot.

Types: Motor driven belt conveyor

Usage: Belt conveyor is used to handle the ball and move it to the passing mechanism.

Motors

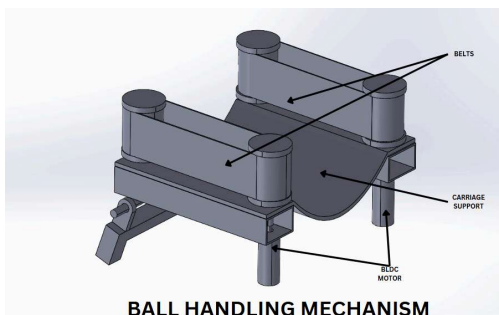
Purpose: Motors control the rotation or movement of parts (e.g., wheels or robotic arms) that interact with the ball.

Types: DC motors Johnson Geared Motor 12V 200 RPM, Torque (15.6 kg.cm)

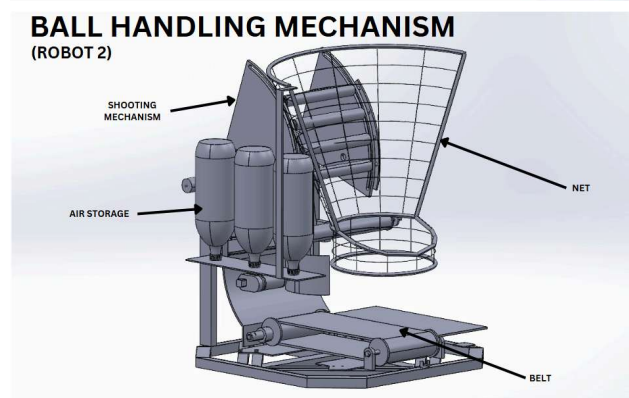
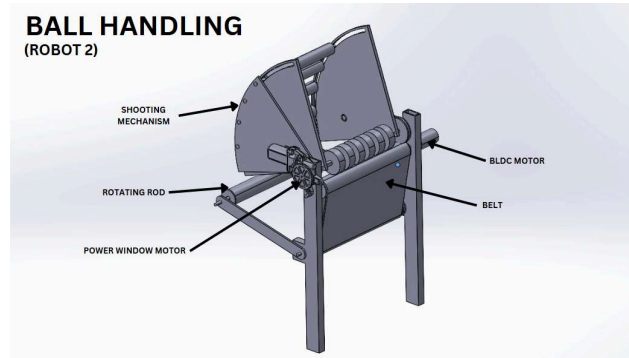
Usage: A motor will rotate a wheel that picks up the ball and moves it into position for shooting or passing.

Working

The ball handling mechanism typically uses actuators to pick up the ball, hold it in place, and adjust its orientation. Motors provide the power to move the robotic arm or other mechanisms holding the ball. The system will detect when the ball is properly gripped and in the correct position for subsequent actions.



▲ ball handling mechanism for Robot 1



▲ ball handling mechanism for Robot 2

2] Passing/Shooting Mechanism (ROBOT 1)

The passing mechanism is designed to pass the ball to the second robot.

Actuators

Purpose: To push or propel the ball toward a target, such as another robot or player.

Types: Linear electric actuators to be used to provide the angle of shooting needed for the pass.

Usage: The linear actuator is used to change the angle at which the ball will be passed at.

Motors

Purpose: Motors provide the rotational force necessary to rotate wheels, rollers that is responsible for propelling the ball.

Types: BLDC motors: Motor KV(530RPM/V); Idle Current (1.98 A); LiPo Cell Support (3-12S); Weight (492g); Shaft Diameter (6mm); Length of motor (61mm).

Usage: A set of wheels are to be spun by a motor at specific RPMs to launch the ball through a specific trajectory.

Sensors

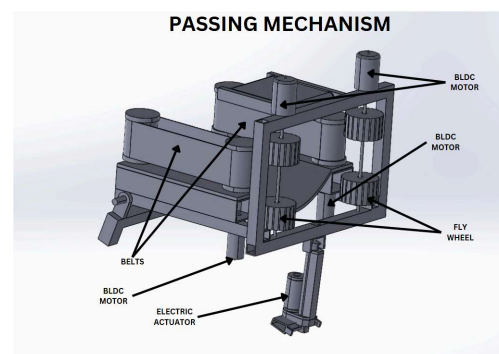
Purpose: Sensors help in determining the ball's position, speed, and angle to optimize the passing action.

Types: Camera Sensor, Laser sensor, Gyroscope (BNO055)

Usage: Camera sensors and laser to be used to detect when the ball is in position for passing by judging the second bot's position, speed and alignment. Laser to be used for reference in case of manual-override.

Working

Once the ball reaches the passing mechanism, the ball is stored in the mechanism till the right time. When the two bots are aligned with one another such that this robot can pass the pass and the other robot can receive the ball. The camera sensor and the gyroscope is used to confirm both robot's positions before the passing processes can be initiated.



3] Passing/Shooting Mechanism (ROBOT 2)

The shooting mechanism is designed to shoot the ball towards the hoop, or other target.

Actuators

Purpose: To change the trajectory of the ball for shooting.

Types: Power window, BLDC motor

Usage: Power window motor will be used to change the angle of the shooting mechanism while BLDC motor drives the shooting mechanism to shoot the ball.

Motors

Purpose: Motors control the components responsible for applying force to the ball, and changing its trajectory.

Types: Power window motor: 3A motor; Speed (100 RPM); Voltage (12V).

BLDC motors: Motor KV(530RPM/V); Idle Current (1.98 A); LiPo Cell Support (3-12S); Weight (492g); Shaft Diameter (6mm); Length of motor (61mm).

Usage: BLDC motor will drive the mechanism to shoot the ball. Power window motor will help to change the angle.

Sensors

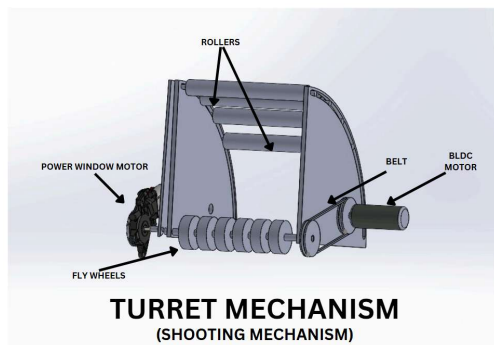
Purpose: Sensors ensure the bot is properly positioned and help with targeting and accuracy.

Types: Camera, laser sensor.

Usage: Camera sensors and laser to be used to detect when the ball is in position for passing by judging the second bot's position, speed and alignment. Laser to be used for reference in case of manual-override.

Working

The BLDC motor turns the belt, which in turn spins the fly wheels at high speed which is used to provide the ball with the necessary force to shoot the ball. The power window motor controls the position of the free moving rollers which change the angle at which the ball is released from the shooting mechanism.



4] Dribbling Mechanism

The dribbling mechanism is designed to dribble the ball, to maintain ball control and maneuverability.

Robot 1 & 2:

Actuators

Purpose: To provide the physical movement or action necessary to dribble the ball.

Types: Ball Screw (900 mm), linear guide-way (MG12, HG15CC)

Usage: Ball screw (12 mm diameter) and linear guide way are essential to guide the ball up and down and releasing the ball from a height for dribbling motion

Motors

Purpose: Motors help control the mechanisms that maintain contact with the ball to dribble.

Types: Servo Motor - 5V; Weight (60g); Torque (19 kg.cm)

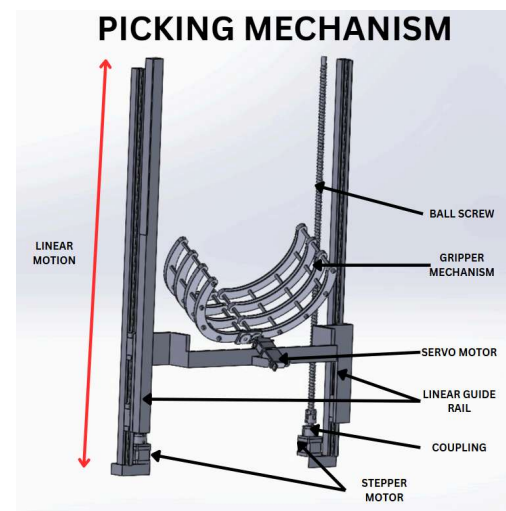
Stepper Motor - 5V; Weight (60g); Torque (3.2 kg.cm)

Usage: Two stepper motors will be used to control precise up and down movement of the gripping mechanism. A servo motor will be used to control the gripping mechanism.

Working

The ball will be precisely controlled using a ball screw to move it downward. Upon reaching a specific height, the ball will be released with sufficient force, ensuring it hits the floor and bounces back up.

The gripping hand will then catch it again, completing the cycle efficiently.



5] Jumping Mechanism

The jumping mechanism enables the robot to jump.

Robot 1 & 2:

Actuators

Purpose: To create the force necessary to lift the robot off the ground.

Types: 4 x Pneumatic cylinders - 32mm bore, 150 mm stroke

Usage: Pneumatic actuators can release compressed air to quickly lift a robot

Sensors

Purpose: Sensors ensure the robot is exactly at the location where it needs to jump at

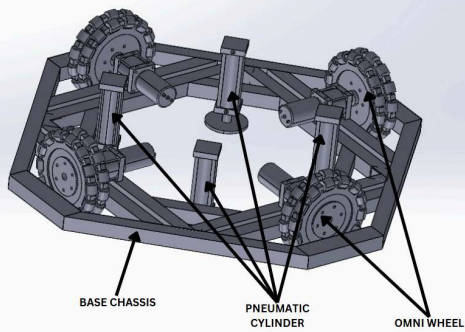
Types: Camera, Gyroscope (BNO055)

Usage: Sensors ensure the jumping mechanism operates at the correct timing and location.

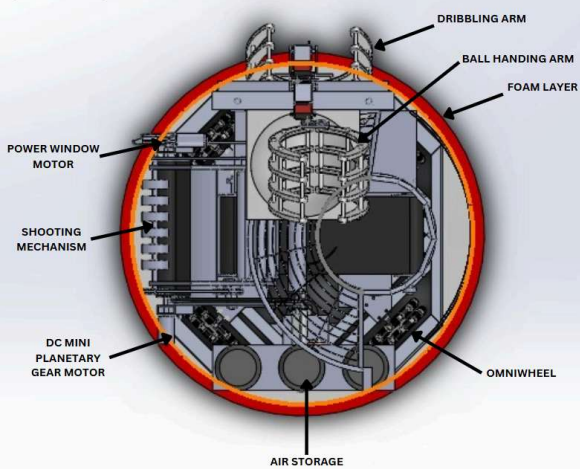
Working

The jumping mechanism works by using pneumatic cylinders to apply a rapid force, lifting the robot off the ground. Sensors provide feedback on the motion and timing of the jump, ensuring the system achieves the desired height and the robot is at the correct location.

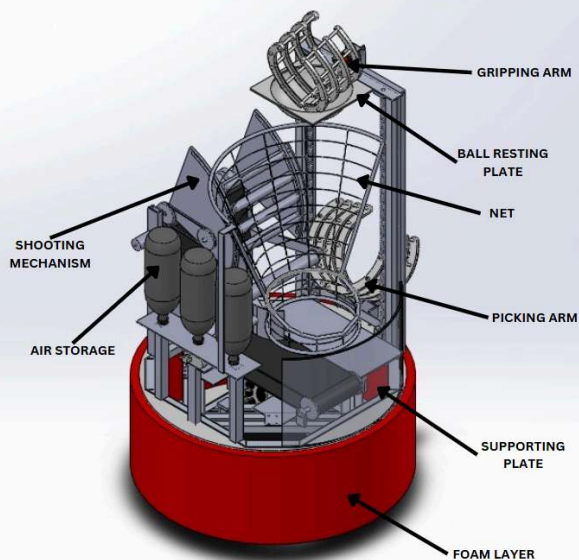
JUMPING AND MOVEMENT MECHANISM



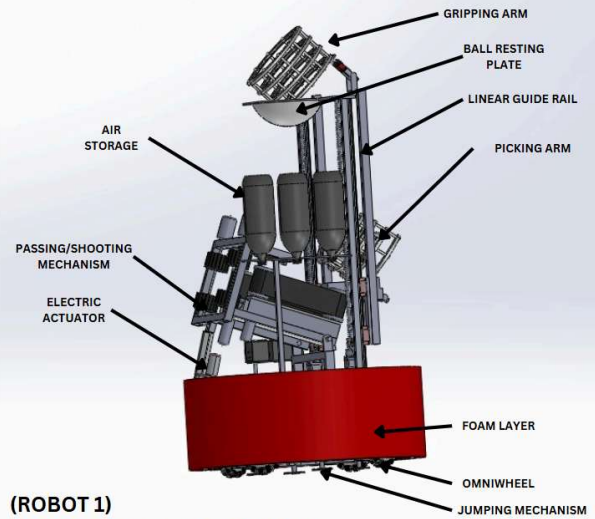
OVERALL DESIGN (ROBOT 2)



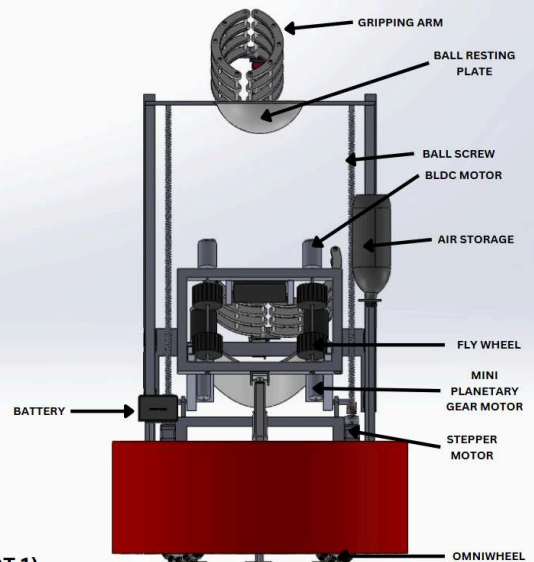
TOP VIEW



(ROBOT 2) OVERALL DESIGN



(ROBOT 1) OVERALL DESIGN



(ROBOT 1) OVERALL DESIGN

CALCULATIONS

Dribbling:

Formula for coefficient of restitution (e) :

The coefficient of restitution is given by

$$e = \frac{\text{Velocity after impact}}{\text{Velocity before impact}}$$

or in terms of height:

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{h_f}{h_i}}$$

Where

- e = coefficient of restitution
- h_i = initial drop height
- h_f = rebound height

From FAQ B.4, we calculated the coefficient of restitution to be $e = 0.7583$.

Velocity Just Before Impact :

The velocity of the ball right before it hits the ground is given by :

$$v_i = \sqrt{v_0^2 + 2gh_0}$$

Where:

- v_0 = initial velocity (upward is positive, downward is negative)
- h_0 = initial height
- g = gravitational acceleration 9.81 m/s^2

For instance,

The Initial Velocity: $V_0 = 2.495 \text{ m/s}$ (minimum)

Initial Height: $h_0 = 0.9 \text{ m}$

And the velocity of ball just before hitting ground:

$v_i = 4.88716 \text{ m/s}$

Height reached after first bounce:

The maximum height after the first bounce is:

$$h_1 = \frac{(ev_i)^2}{2g}$$

Using the above equation we calculated,

$v_i = 4.88716 \text{ m/s}$ (impact speed)

$e = 0.7583$ (coefficient of restitution)

$h_1 = 0.7 \text{ m}$

Jumping:

Given data,

Robot Mass (estimate): 25 kg

Number of Pistons: 4

Pressure: $1.5 \text{ bar} = 150,000 \text{ Pa}$

Bore Diameter: $32 \text{ mm} = 0.032 \text{ m}$

Stroke Length: $150 \text{ mm} = 0.15 \text{ m}$

Acceleration due to Gravity: 9.81 m/s^2

The force exerted by a single piston is given by:

$$F = P \times A$$

where,

- $P = 150000 \text{ Pa}$
- $A = \pi(d/2)^2 = \pi(0.032/2)^2 = 8.024 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$

$F = 150000 \times 8.024 \times 10^{-4} = 120.63 \text{ N}$

Since there are 4 pistons, the total force is:

Total = $4 \times 120.63 = 482.52 \text{ N}$

Using Newton's Second Law:

$$a = \frac{F}{m} = \frac{482.52}{25} = 19.3 \text{ m/s}^2$$

The effective acceleration is:

$$A_{\text{eff}} = a - g = 19.3 - 9.81 = 9.49 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Using the kinematic equation:

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

Since the initial velocity $u = 0 \text{ m/s}$,

$$v^2 = 2 \times 9.49 \times 0.15$$

$$v = \sqrt{2.85} = 1.69 \text{ m/s}$$

Now, using:

$$h = \frac{v^2}{2g}$$

$$h = \frac{1.69^2}{2 \times 9.81} = \frac{2.86}{19.62} = 0.146 \text{ m}$$

As per calculations, the robot can jump approximately 0.146 m .

Passing:

Range (horizontal distance when projectile lands)

$$R = \frac{v_0^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$$

Where,

- V_0 = initial velocity
- θ = launch angle
- g = acceleration due to gravity (9.81 m/s^2)

Where,

R = distance between two robots (sensor input)

θ = angle at which ball is shot (user input)

V_0 = initial speed of ball (user input) (depends of RPM of motor)

Shooting:

Horizontal motion:

$$x = v_0 \cos \theta \cdot t$$

where,

- x = horizontal displacement
- v_0 = initial velocity
- θ = launch angle
- t = time of flight

Vertical Motion:

$$y = v_0 \sin \theta \cdot t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

where,

- y = vertical displacement
- g = acceleration due to gravity (9.81 m/s^2)
- The term $v_0 \sin \theta \cdot t$ accounts for the initial vertical motion
- The term $\frac{1}{2}gt^2$ represents the downward gravitational effect

Now,

1. The horizontal motion equation:

$$L = v_0 \cos \theta \cdot t$$

Solving for t:

$$t = \frac{L}{v_0 \cos \theta}$$

2. The vertical motion equation:

$$h = v_0 \sin \theta \cdot t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

3. Substituting t:

$$h = v_0 \sin \theta \cdot \frac{L}{v_0 \cos \theta} - \frac{1}{2}g \left(\frac{L}{v_0 \cos \theta} \right)^2$$

Simplifying:

$$h = L \tan \theta - \frac{gL^2}{2v_0^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

Where,

h = difference between the heights of shooting mechanism and hoop.

L = distance between bot and base of hoop (pole)

NOTE: All the above calculations have been made considering ideal conditions.