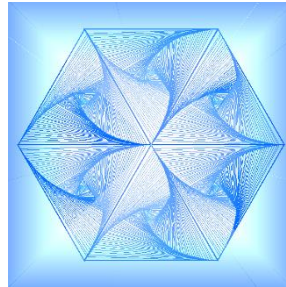


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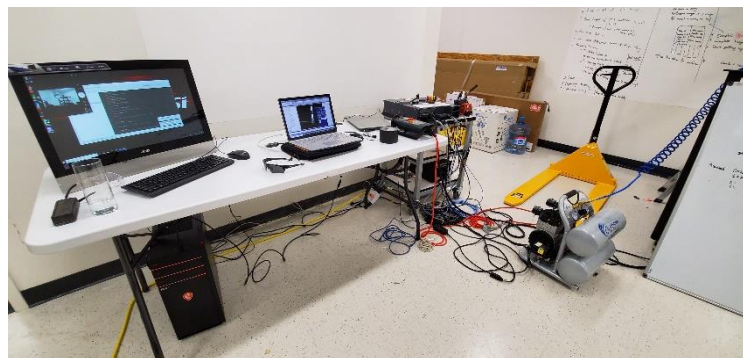
EverestLabs.AI (Summer 2019)

Objective

To deploy sorting and detection algorithms for recyclables in Waste Management facilities on a Mitsubishi RH-20FH Industrial 4-Axis Scara Robot.

Process

1. Assembly
 - a. Design and mount suction interface
 - b. Wire internal/external pneumatics and electronics
 - c. Assemble main CPU along with PLC
2. Software Implementation
 - a. Develop software for the Mitsubishi using MELFA BASIC programming language along with Python to integrate computer vision detection.
3. Redesign Phase
 - a. Redesigned the suction mount interface to utilize three suction cups to increase the surface area along which collection could occur. This increased the time range with which the robot could successfully pick up objects.
4. Check out some cool testing video here: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/FoKr7ftMGWLu>



3D Printed Drone Designs (Fall 2018 - Spring 2019)

Objective

To design cost-effective, durable, and lightweight 3D printed drone frames.

Requirements

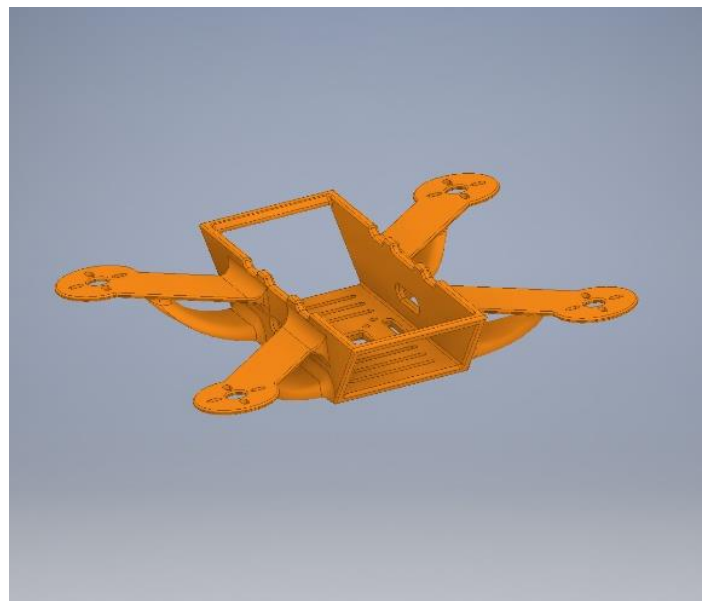
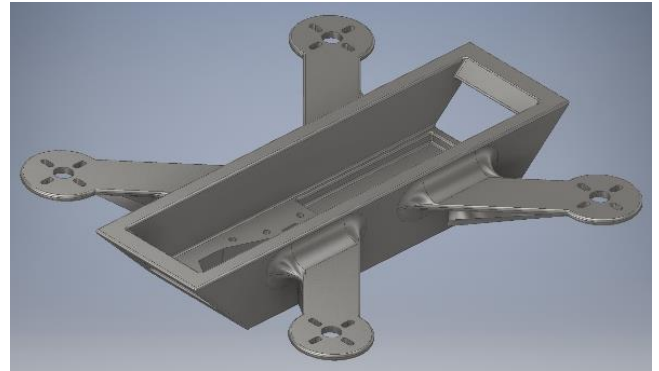
1. Must be cost-effective (<\$25)
2. Must hold up under rigorous flight routines
3. Must be lightweight in order to conserve battery

Models

1. [CAD Models](#)

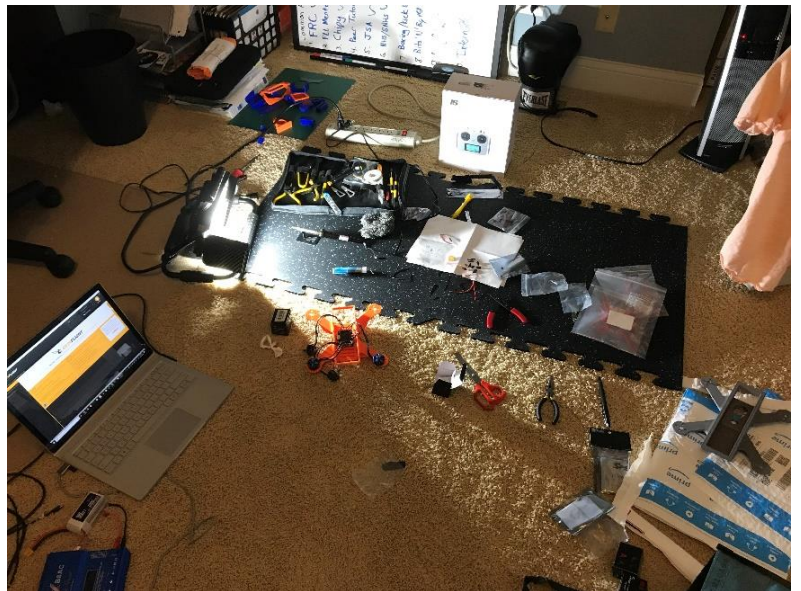
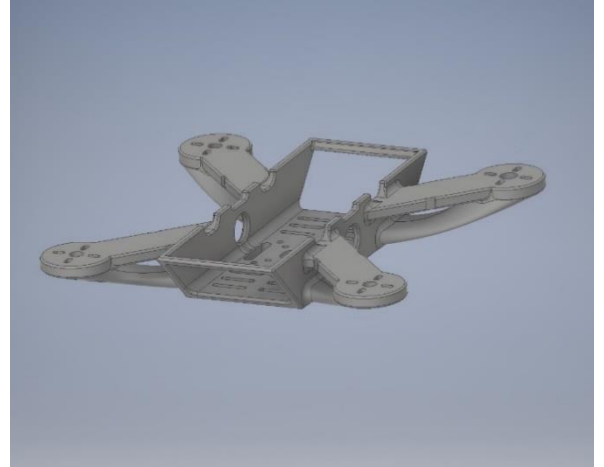
Process

- **Iteration 1 (Gray)**
 - This iteration did not work out because my design was too heavy (.651 lbs) and the electronics board did not fit inside the frame when wires were soldered on.
- **Iteration 2 (Orange)**
 - This iteration worked a lot better than the previous one. I reduced the weight to .339 lbs and added support structures for the wings. However, after mounting the motors and turning the drone on, I could see and feel oscillations throughout the frame. After watching a slo-mo video of the wings, I realized I needed to beef up the wings in addition to their support structures.



- **Iteration 3**

- This iteration flew! After redesigning the wing support structure and increasing the thickness, I could not feel any discernible oscillations in the frame. After addressing some issues with the electronics, I mounted the propellers and began to fly. Unfortunately, I learned that I'm not a very good flyer, and the drone got destroyed in a tree within the first few minutes...
- I am planning on increasing the base strength for the next design. Iteration 4 is currently a work in progress.



Swerve Drive Designs (Summer 2017 - Spring 2018)

Objective

To improve Team 3061 (Huskie Robotics) Swerve Drive technology by designing new modules before the season begins. Swerve Drive is a holonomic drivetrain where each of the four wheels is independently driven and steered.

Requirements

1. Must be durable and reliable
2. Must minimize backlash for control systems
3. Must utilize sensors to measure position and distance
4. Must be lightweight and compact

Models

1. [CAD Models](#)
2. Location: Swerve Module 2018 FINAL.stp

Process

Huskie Robotics' Old Design:

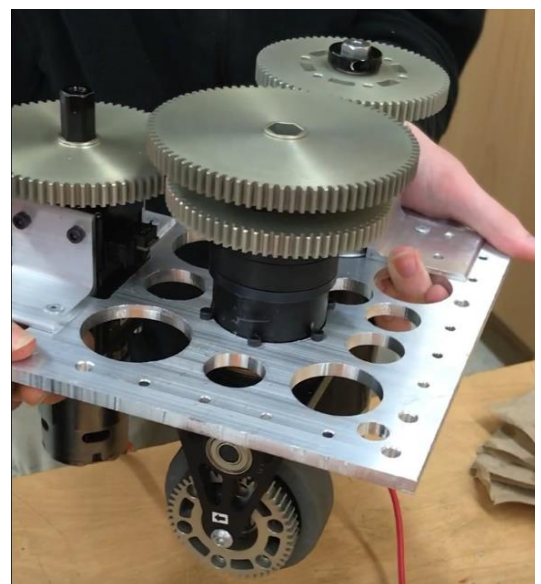
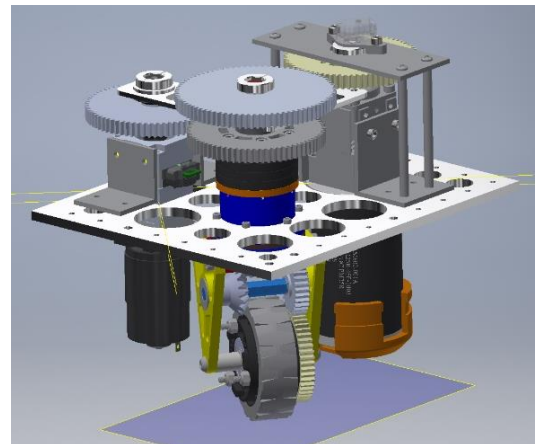
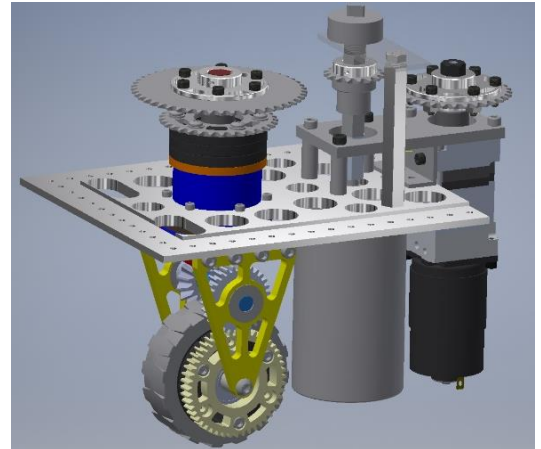
Problems:

- Weight: 15 lbs * 4 modules = 60 lbs
- Chain Driven (inaccurate/backlash)
- Unreliable (broke many times)

My Design (Iteration 5):

Improvements:

- Weight: 12 lbs * 4 modules = 48 lbs
- Gear Driven (minimize backlash)
- Durable (never needed replacement)



Drivetrain Designs (Summer 2018 - Spring 2019)

Objective

To experiment with new types of drivetrains and different ways of mounting sensors, motors, and wiring. Below are examples of my swerve and tank drivetrains.

Models

1. [CAD Models](#)
2. Location: Swerve Module 2019 v4.stp
3. Location: Gearbox 775.stp

Designs

Swerve Design (Iteration 7):

Pros:

- Weight: 7 lbs * 4 modules = 28 lbs
- Chain drive (tensioned, reduced backlash)
- Compact
- Looks super cool :)

Cons:

- Lots of fabrication (16 * 4 modules = 64 parts!)
- Reduced power (smaller motors)

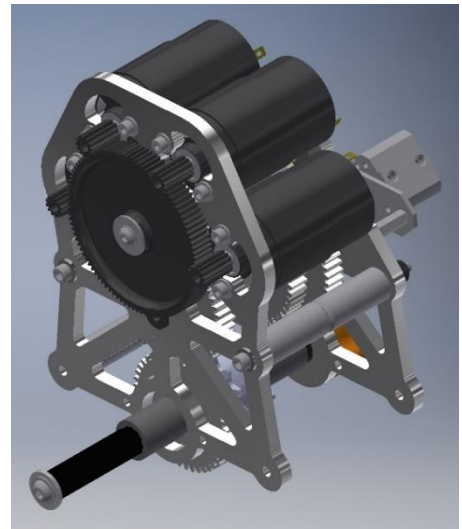
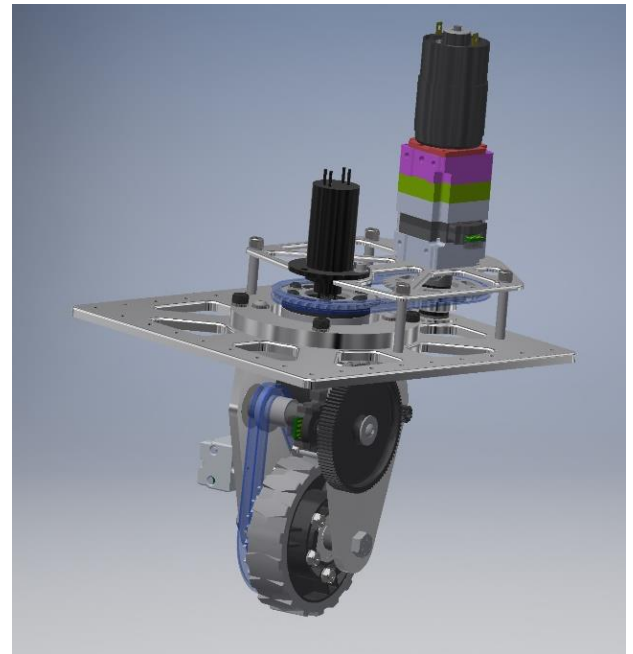
Tank Drive Gearbox (Iteration 1):

Pros:

- Compact, lightweight
- Ball shifter (high torque / low torque shifting)

Cons:

- Untested for strength
- Reduced power



Computer Vision Application (Summer 2017 - Spring 2019)

Objective

To improve the autonomous capabilities of Team 3061 (Huskie Robotics) by creating a framework that can be utilized each year to build a new vision processing system. Additionally, improve the team's path-planning algorithm by integrating machine learning.

Code

1. <https://github.com/aapatni/chipy2017>
2. <https://github.com/HuskieRobotics/Huskie-Vision>

Requirements

1. Must be maintainable, easy to understand, and open-sourced
2. Must consistently and accurately detect targets
3. Must control the robot's trajectory and direct it toward targets
4. Must utilize a machine-learning model to develop relationships between image and robot position
5. Must interface between Raspberry Pi and RoboRIO (onboard processor)

Materials

1. Raspberry Pi + Camera v2
2. 3D Printed Mounting Mechanisms
3. Jupyter Notebook, Python, OpenCV, OpenGL, Pandas, Scikit-Learn

Process

Step 1: Designing the Camera Mount



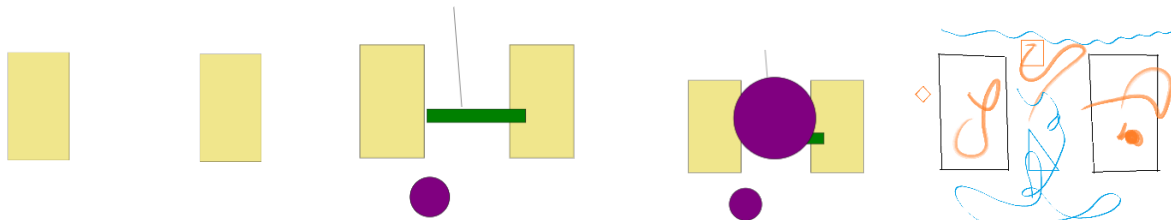
The camera mount needed to both house the Raspberry Pi Camera and hold the Green LED ring that shines at the retroreflective tape targets on the field.

Step 2: Rectangle Detection Code

```
Image_Processing.py
1  ##This file processes the stream of images
2  import cv2
3  import time
4  import numpy as np
5
6
7  ###Set these to your preferred ranges for HSV based on the data you collected from the
8  * Testing Suite
9  lowerC = np.array([40,75, 25])
10 upperC = np.array([70, 255, 190])
11
12 def process_image(image):
13     #Initialize all the data you are going to collect to 0. This ensures that if the target
14     * is not detected, it will return 0 and not an error
15     #ex. targetX,targetY,Area = 0,0,0
16     targetX, targetY, targetH, targetW = 0,0,0,0
17     #using hsv to threshold is recommended, the inRange function basically cuts out all
18     * colors that arent wanted
19     hsvFrame = cv2.cvtColor(image, COLOR_RGB2HSV)
20     thresholdedFrame = cv2.inRange(newFrame, lowerC, upperC)
21
22     try:
23         targetX, targetY, targetW, targetH = calculations(thresholdedFrame)
24         ##operations on the frame come here, set all the variables to desired numbers based
25         * on contours and other things you find from the image
26         ##ex. targetX = getX(thresholdedFrame)
27     except:
28         pass
29
30     ##Here return the data you have collected
31     ##ex return targetX,targetY,Area
32     return (targetX, targetY, targetH, targetW)
33
34 def calculations(frame):
35     rectangles = detectRectangles(image)
36     leftRectangle, rightRectangle = rectangleStats(rectangles)
37     targetX,targetY = getCenter(leftRectangle,rightRectangle)
38     targetW = rightRectangle[0] - leftRectangle[0] +leftRectangle[2]
39     targetH =(rightRectangle[3]+leftRectangle[3])/2.0
40     return (targetX, targetY, targetW, targetH)
41
42 def detectRectangles(image):
43     a,contours,hierarchy = cv2.findContours(image,cv2.RETR_TREE,cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE)
44     rectangles = findRectangles(contours)
```

```
Image_Processing.py
39 a,contours,hierarchy = cv2.findContours(image,cv2.RETR_TREE,cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE)
40 rectangles = findRectangles(contours)
41 rectangles = sorted(rectangles, key = cv2.contourArea,reverse=True)[:10]
42
43 index = len(rectangles)-1
44 while index>=0:
45     x,y,w,h = cv2.boundingRect(rectangles[index])
46     area= cv2.contourArea(rectangles[index])
47     #checks for correct aspect ratio of the rectangles
48     if ((abs(float(w)/h - 2.5)>.7) and (abs(float(h)/w- 2.5) >.7)):
49         rectangles.pop(index)
50
51     #checks if area is within reasonable range
52     elif area< 500 or area>15000:
53         rectangles.pop(index)
54     index-=1
55
56 return rectangles
57
58 def rectangleStats(rectangles):
59     x,y,w,h = cv2.boundingRect(rectangles[0])
60     x2,y2,w2,h2 = cv2.boundingRect(rectangles[1])
61     if x<x2:
62         leftRectangle = [x,y,w,h]
63         rightRectangle = [x2,y2,w2,h2]
64     else:
65         leftRectangle = [x2,y2,w2,h2]
66         rightRectangle = [x,y,w,h]
67     return leftRectangle,rightRectangle
68
69
70 def getCenter(leftRectangle,rightRectangle):
71     #x + w + x2 / 2.0 middle of two x coordinates
72     centerX = float(leftRectangle[0]+leftRectangle[2]+rightRectangle[0])/2.0
73     #2(y)+h +2(y2)+h2 / 4.0 average of the two height centers
74     centerY =
75     * float((2*leftRectangle[1])+leftRectangle[3]+(2*rightRectangle[1])+rightRectangle[3])/4.0
76     return centerX,centerY
77
78 ##SET THE REST OF YOUR FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS ON THE FRAME HERE
79
80 #things to try
81 #Finding contours : foo, contours, hierarchy = cv2.findContours(frame,
82 * cv2.RETR_TREE,cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE)
```

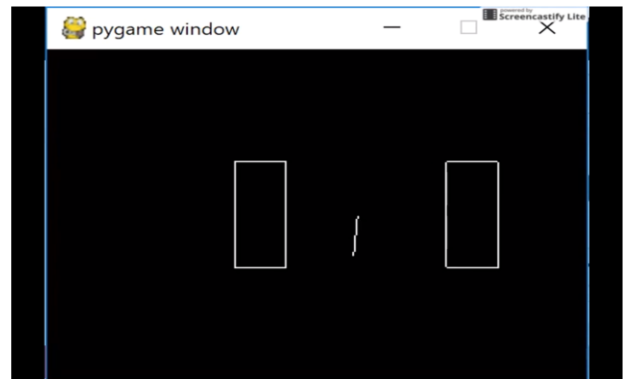
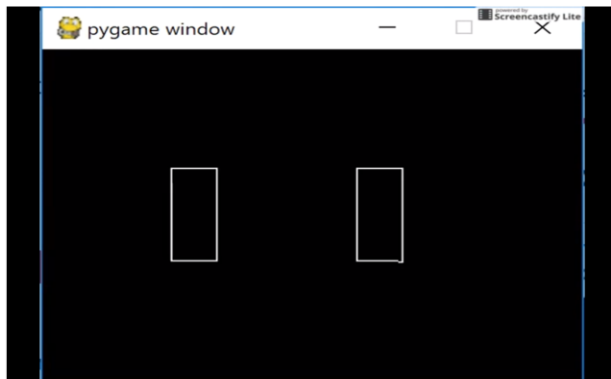
Using OpenCV and its contour detection modules, I found all the shapes that the camera could see. Then, using a series of filters based on shape, dimensions, area, and many other factors, I cut down to the two rectangles that I wanted to detect. To test out my detection and filtering, I drew some images in Microsoft Paint with added error to make sure I was finding the correct rectangles. From the correct rectangles, I found the center point along with size so the robot could figure out distance and direction to travel.



Step 3: 3D Space Simulations

```
In [ ]:  
  
import pickle  
loaded_net = pickle.load(open('neuralNetGL3'+".sav", 'rb'))  
import pygame  
from pygame.locals import *  
import random  
from OpenGL.GL import *  
from OpenGL.GLU import *  
import math  
from IPython.display import clear_output  
from operator import itemgetter  
import numpy as np  
import random  
import csv  
import numpy as np  
import sys  
  
#leftRect = [(-5.125,0,-40),(-3.125,0,-40),(-3.125,5,-40),(-5.125,5,-40),]  
#rightRect = [(3.125,0,-40),(5.125,0,-40),(5.125,5,-40),(3.125,5,-40)]  
edges = [(0,1),(1,2),(2,3),(3,0)]  
  
fov_y = 45  
width = 320  
height = 240  
  
def TransformVec3(vecA,mat44):  
    vecB = [0,0,0,0]  
    for i0 in range(0,4):  
        vecB[i0] = vecA[0]*mat44[0*4+i0] + vecA[1]*mat44[1*4+i0] + vecA[2]*mat44[2*4+i0] +  
        mat44[3*4+i0]  
    return [vecB[0]/vecB[3], vecB[1]/vecB[3], vecB[2]/vecB[3]]  
  
def TestRec(prjMat, l1):  
    l1_pdc = TransformVec3(l1, prjMat)  
    pos_pixel_xy = [width*(l1_pdc[0]+1.0)/2.0, height*(1.0-l1_pdc[1])/2.0]  
    return (pos_pixel_xy)  
def getCenter(right, left):  
    x = (sum([x[0] for x in right]) + sum([x[0] for x in left]))/8.0  
    y = (sum([y[1] for y in right]) + sum([y[1] for y in left]))/8.0  
    return (x,y)  
def getWidth(right, left):  
    return (right[-1][0]-left[0][0])  
def getHeight(right, left):  
    return ((right[-1][1]+left[-1][1])-(right[0][1]+left[0][1]))/2.0  
def getData(prjMat, right, left):  
    leftCoordinates = [TestRec(prjMat,x) for x in left]  
    rightCoordinates = [TestRec(prjMat,x) for x in right]  
    center = getCenter(rightCoordinates, leftCoordinates)  
    h = getHeight(sorted(rightCoordinates, key=itemgetter(1)), sorted(leftCoordinates, key=itemgetter  
(1)))  
    w = getWidth(sorted(rightCoordinates, key=itemgetter(0)), sorted(leftCoordinates, key=itemgetter  
(0)))  
    return [center, w, h]  
#This draws the rectangles edges  
def Target(rightRect, leftRect):  
    prjMat = (GLfloat * 16) ()  
    glGetFloatv(GL_PROJECTION_MATRIX, prjMat)  
    glBegin(GL_LINES)  
    for edge in edges:  
        for vertex in edge:  
            glVertex3fv(leftRect[vertex])  
        glEnd()  
    glBegin(GL_LINES)  
    for edge in edges:  
        for vertex in edge:  
            glVertex3fv(rightRect[vertex])  
        glEnd()  
  
def addToRow(right, left, index, adjust):  
    for i in right:
```

```
        i[index] = i[index]+adjust  
    for i in left:  
        i[index] = i[index]+adjust  
    return (right, left)  
  
def drawLines(points):  
    glBegin(GL_LINES)  
    glVertex3fv([0,-.01,-.01])  
    glVertex3fv(points)  
    glEnd()  
  
def main():  
    leftRect = [[-5.125,-2.5,-20],[-3.125,-2.5,-20],[-3.125,2.5,-20],[-5.125,2.5,-20]]  
    rightRect = [[3.125,-2.5,-20],[5.125,-2.5,-20],[5.125,2.5,-20],[3.125,2.5,-20]]  
    try:  
        pygame.init()  
        display = (width,height)  
        pygame.display.set_mode(display, DOUBLEBUF|OPENGL)  
        glMatrixMode(GL_PROJECTION)  
        gluPerspective(fov_y, (display[0]/display[1]), .1, 1000)  
        glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW)  
        while True:  
            #iterates through events to check for quits  
            for event in pygame.event.get():  
                if event.type == 12:  
                    pygame.display.quit()  
                    pygame.quit()  
                    sys.quit()  
            prjMat = (GLfloat * 16) ()  
            glGetFloatv(GL_PROJECTION_MATRIX, prjMat)  
            data= getData(prjMat, rightRect, leftRect)  
            leftArray = np.array(leftRect)  
            leftPoint = leftArray.mean(axis=0)  
            rightArray = np.array(rightRect)  
            rightPoint = rightArray.mean(axis=0)  
  
            predicted = loaded_net.predict([[data[0][0],data[0][1],data[1],data[2]]])  
            centerX = (predicted[0][0] + predicted[0][1])/2.0  
            angle = (90 - np.arctan2((abs(predicted[0][3].item()),centerX))*180/3.14)  
            drawLines([centerX, predicted[0][2],predicted[0][3]])  
            Target(rightRect, leftRect)  
  
            #print(toCSV)  
            ##set bounds and randomize input  
            if (data[0][0] > 320 or data[0][0]<0 or data[0][1]>240 or data[0][1]<0 or leftPoint[2]>=1  
or leftPoint[2]<=-60):  
                leftRect = [[-5.125,-2.5,-20],[-3.125,-2.5,-20],[-3.125,2.5,-20],[-5.125,2.5,-20]]  
                rightRect = [[3.125,-2.5,-20],[5.125,-2.5,-20],[5.125,2.5,-20],[3.125,2.5,-20]]  
  
                xAdjust = float(random.randint(-30,30))  
                yAdjust = float(random.randint(-30,30))  
                zAdjust = float(random.randint(-30,30))  
                if (xAdjust == 0):  
                    xAdjust=1  
                if (yAdjust == 0):  
                    yAdjust=1  
                if (zAdjust == 0):  
                    zAdjust=1  
                rightRect, leftRect = addToRow(rightRect, leftRect, 0, 1.0/xAdjust)  
                rightRect, leftRect = addToRow(rightRect, leftRect, 1, 0)  
                rightRect, leftRect = addToRow(rightRect, leftRect, 2, 1.0/zAdjust)  
  
                pygame.display.flip()  
  
                pygame.time.wait(10)  
                glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT|GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT)  
            except Exception as e:  
                pass  
  
main()
```



Data Collection (Left Side) Projected Path (Right Side)

Using OpenGL, I created a simulation of the rectangles in 3D space. Then, I projected these 3D rectangles onto a 2D screen, simulating the view the robot would have. Using trigonometry, I created a best line of fit between the origin (robot) and the rectangles in the simulation.

Step 4: Training the Neural Network

Get/Format Data

In [1]:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
dataFrame = pd.read_csv("dataGL3.csv")
```

In [3]:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

train, test = train_test_split(dataFrame, test_size=0.5)
print("Train Data:" + str(len(train)), "Test Data:" + str(len(test)))
#train = dataFrame.sample(frac=.8)
X_train = train[["X","Y","W","H"]].copy()
y_train = pd.DataFrame()
y_train["LPX"] = train["LPX"]
y_train["RPX"] = train["RPX"]
y_train["LPY"] = train["LPY"]
y_train["LPZ"] = train["LPZ"]

X_test = test[["X","Y","W","H"]].copy()
y_test = pd.DataFrame()
y_test["LPX"] = test["LPX"]
y_test["RPX"] = test["RPX"]
y_test["LPY"] = test["LPY"]
y_test["LPZ"] = test["LPZ"]

##In order: LPX , RPX, LPY, LPZ
```

Train Data:50000 Test Data: 50000

Build Models

In [4]:

```
##Linear Model
from sklearn import linear_model
lin = linear_model.LinearRegression()
lin.fit(X_train,y_train)
lin.score(X_test,y_test)
```

Out[4]:

0.89060966653748208

In [5]:

```
print(lin.coef_)
```

```
[[ 0.03408622  0.04603655 -0.00027677 -0.00325469]
 [ 0.03408622  0.04603655 -0.00027677 -0.00325469]
 [ 0.         0.         0.         0.         ]
 [ 0.00537474 -0.00820563  0.03749671  0.0668818 ]]
```

In [6]:

```
from sklearn.neural_network import MLPRegressor
net = MLPRegressor()
net.fit(X_train,y_train)
net.score(X_test,y_test)
```

Out[6]:

In [7]:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
fig = plt.figure()
#fig = plt.subplots(nrows = 1, ncols = 2)
plt.subplot(2,1,1)
plt.ylabel('X Values')
plt.xlabel('Angle in Degrees')
plt.axis("auto")

plt.subplot(2,1,2)
plt.ylabel('Z Values')
plt.xlabel('Angle in Degrees')
plt.axis("auto")

def plotThing(centerX, angle, z):
    plt.subplot(2,1,1)
    plt.plot(angle,centerX, ',')
    plt.subplot(2,1,2)
    plt.plot(angle, z, ",")
```

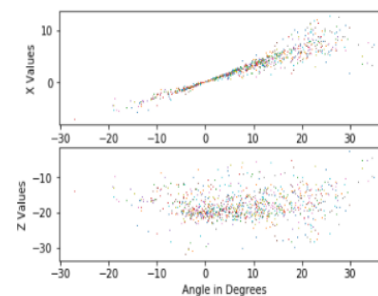
In [8]:

```
input_layer.apply(lambda x: getNeuralNet(x), axis =1);
```

In [9]:

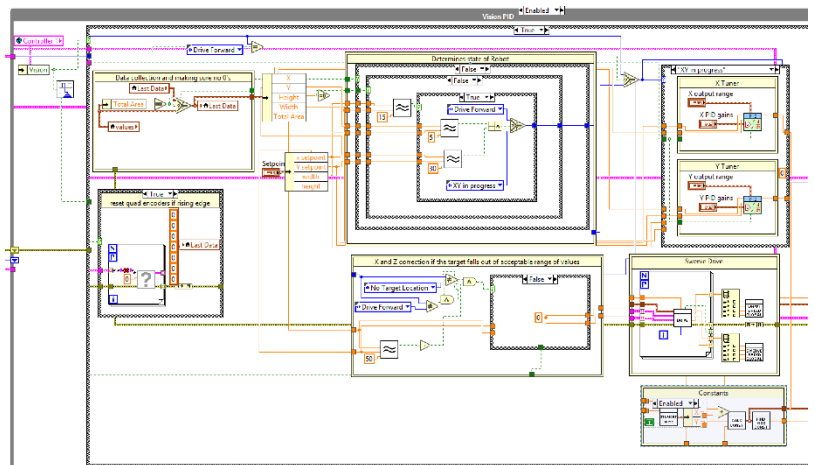
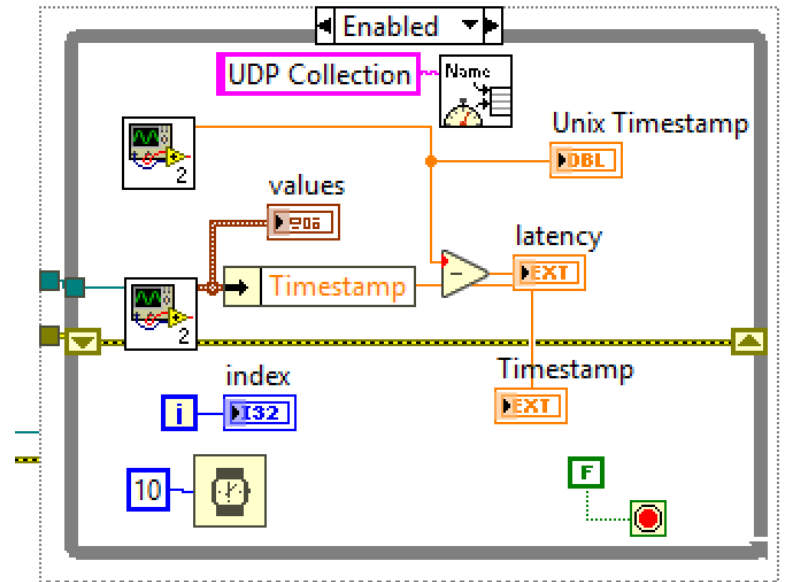
fig

Out[9]:



After collecting millions of data samples from the simulation above, I trained a neural network to find the relationships between input (camera view) and output (path). I also tried using a linear regressor, but it yielded a much lower success rate than the neural network. On the right side are graphs that help visual the relationships between the angle (path), x position (left/right) and z position (depth).

Step 5: Integration onto Victoria (Robot)



Collecting images + Sending UDP Packets Collecting Packets + Controlling Robot Motion

After training my neural network, the next step became integrating my work onto our robot. This involved networking (UDP) between the Raspberry Pi and roboRIO (robot computer). Additionally, I had to build a control system on the roboRIO which could accept angle and distance as parameters and move the robot accordingly.

Check out the successful videos here: <https://youtu.be/8ka5wbTj-P8>