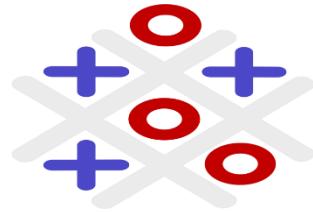


# TicTacToeBot



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A remote operated Tic-Tac-Toe playing robot submitted to the

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Senior Design Challenge

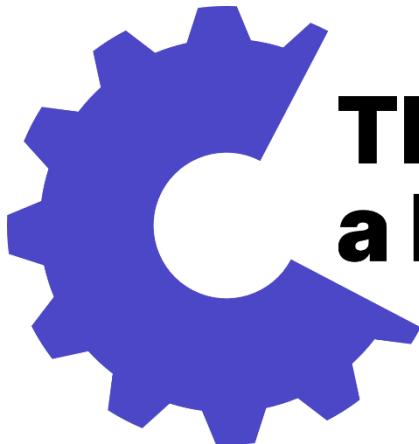
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Design and manufacture a vehicle to compete in  
a tournament-style obstacle course, relaying to  
win an advanced tic-tac-toe style game.”

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## Our Team:



# Three and a Half Mechs



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## Objectives

- ✗ Compete and Win Against Other Teams
- ✗ Small, Lightweight, and Fast Design
- ✗ Fully Wireless System

## Constraints

- ✗ Max 2 Breadboards
- ✗ Max 2 ESP32 Modules
- ✗ Max 1 Motor Driver
- ✗ Bot cannot touch course boundaries.

## Bill Of Materials

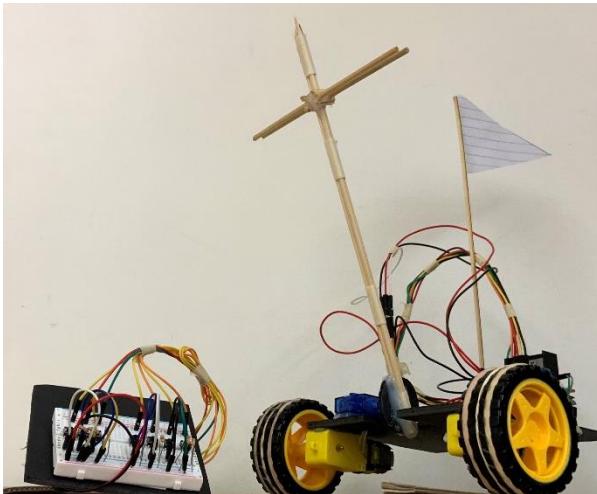
- ✗ 1x Ball Bearing Wheels
- ✗ 2x ESP8266 + cables
- ✗ 1x Foam poster board
- ✗ 1x 9-gram servo
- ✗ 2x Motors
- ✗ 2x Motor Wheels
- ✗ 2x 9V batteries + 2 connectors
- ✗ 1x L298N motor driver
- ✗ 1x Breadboard Jumper cables

- ✗ Sticks Craft cabinet Resistor Box
- ✗ 1x Pipe Cleaner
- ✗ 6x Rubber Bands
- ✗ 5x Wooden Skewers
- ✗ Duct Tape
- ✗ Masking Tape
- ✗ Hot glue gun & glue sticks
- ✗ Lined Paper
- ✗ 7x buttons

Presenting Our

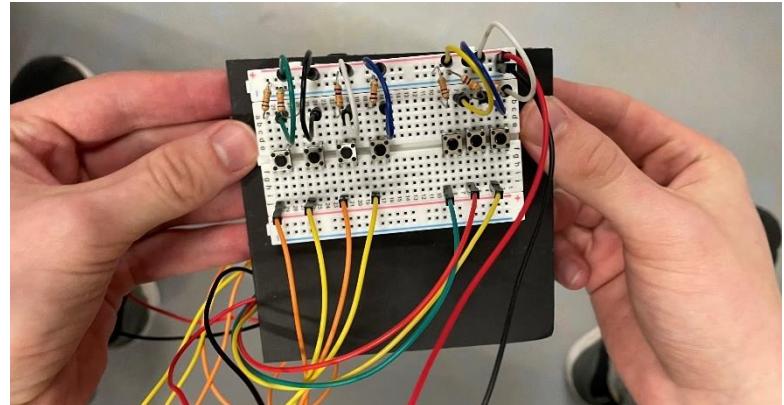
# Final Design

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## The TicTacToeBot

## The Controller



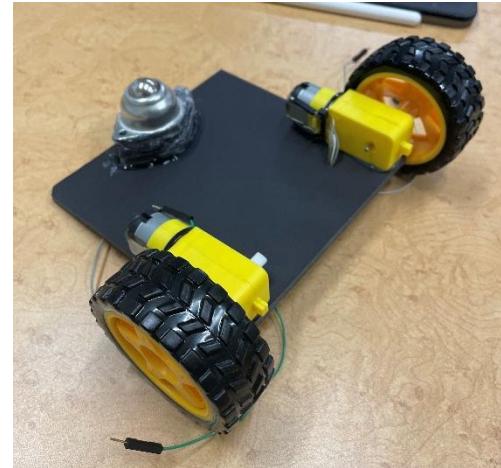
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# Components

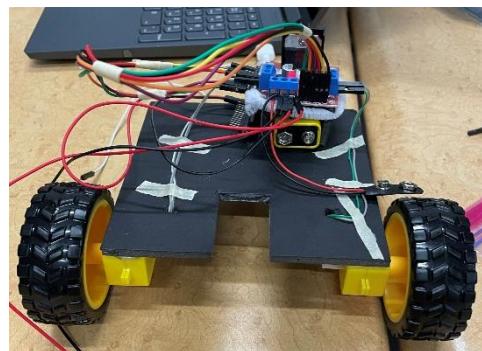
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## The Base

- ✖ 3 Points of Contact
- ✖ 360-degree Spinning
- ✖ Small area
- ✖ Effective use of material
- ✖ Ease of component removal



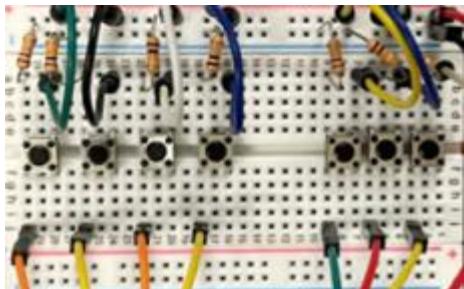
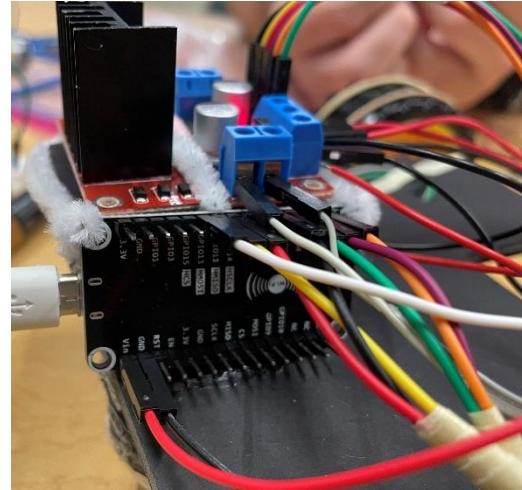
## The Lever



- ✖ Long reach
- ✖ End-Point Rotation
- ✖ Compact center of mass
- ✖ Simple and Efficient

## The Brain

- ✖ ESP32 Module
- ✖ Facilitates wireless Communication
- ✖ Reduced Interference
- ✖ Pin-Accessible Mounting Point



## The Controller

- ✖ Directional Control
- ✖ Lever Elevation Buttons
- ✖ Dedicated Spin Button
- ✖ Low Latency Polling

## The Code

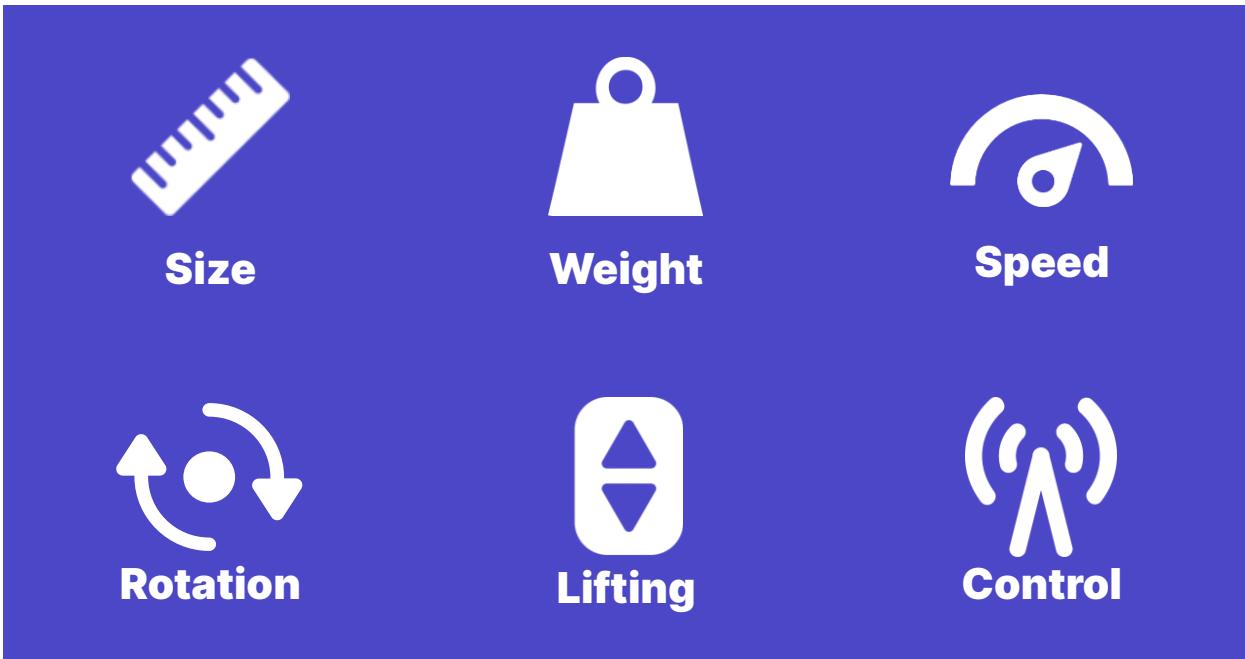
- ✖ Fault Tolerant
- ✖ Modular
- ✖ Facilitates Wi-Fi Communication

<https://github.com/agoodyer/TicTacToeBot>

Our Design

# Justification

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Being the smallest, lightest, and fastest bot in the competition, the TicTacToeBot design is purposefully minimalistic in design.

Featuring a dedicated **SPIN** button, the TicTacToeBot can make nimble direction changes by rotating its wheels in opposing directions, similar to a tank turn.

The TicTacToeBot opts for a fully wireless Wi-Fi enabled robot and controller system, to make the bot as independent as possible.

TicTacToeBot

# In Action

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[A Clip of TicTacToeBot Traversing the Course](#)

- ★ Achieved **Fastest Time-To-Complete** of Any Competing Team
- ★ Placed **2<sup>nd</sup> Overall** in the Competition (\$200 Prize)