# Assembly Instructions - Text2Robot

## Hardware

| Item / Link  | Quantity |
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| Microcontroller Raspberry Pi 4 Model B   | 1        |
| Battery Povway 5200 mA Lipo 3S 11.1V 50C   | 1        |
| Servo Motor Hiwonder HT D - 45H High Voltage Serial Bus Servo 45 KG                  | 8        |
| DC to DC Power Converter DROK 10A Synchronous Step-Down Voltage Regulator DC-DC      | 1        |
| PLA Filament Ender PLA 3D Printer PLA Filament 1.75 mm 1KG (2.2 lbs) Spool PLA White | 1        |
| Motor Controller Hiwonder TTL / USB Debugging Board                                  | 1        |
| LiPo Battery Connector Adapter   | 1        |
| USB C Cable 3A Fast Charge, USB A to Type C  | 1        |
| 12-14 Gauge Wire   |          |

## **Equipment & Software**

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| Any slicing software (We used <u>Creality Slicer</u> ) |
| Soldering Iron, Solder, Wirestrippers                  |
| Access to a 3D Printer (We used a Creality Ender 3)    |
| https://github.com/ethanlipson/PyLX-16A                |

## **Assembly Instructions**

#### 1. Slice and Print STL Files

Slice and print every STL file referenced by the selected robot's URDF. This
includes one baselink (main body), 4 upper legs, and 4 lower legs. Depending on
your printer bed size, you may need to split and splice some parts using strong
super glue.

#### 2. Download and Print Electronics Modules

- o Download the STL files in the STL\_Files/Electronics\_Modules folder.
- Slice and print 4 KneeConnectors, 12 MotorCases, and one BatteryBox.

#### 3. Assemble Components

- Snap together the MotorCases, KneeConnectors, and printed robot limbs according to the URDF. Attach the KneeConnectors directly to each foot, following the specified axis orientations.
- Daisy chain the two servos on each leg together and connect the topmost servo to the Hiwonder Debugging Board.

#### 4. Prepare Wiring

- Cut four 1-foot strips of additional wire. Solder the ground and power of the battery connector adapter into a Y-configuration.
- Use heat shrink tubing to group together one set of terminals for the Raspberry Pi and one set for the servo board.
- Connect one Y directly to the ground and power of the servo board. Do not connect the Raspberry Pi directly to the battery as it is only rated for 5V.
- Connect the second Y to the input of the DC-to-DC power converter. Adjust the
  potentiometer until the output voltage is 5V with the input battery voltage (11.1V).
   Carefully check the output voltage with a multimeter to avoid frying the Raspberry
  Pi.

#### 5. Connect Power to Raspberry Pi

- Cut off the USB-A end of the USBC-to-USB charging cable. Connect the ground and power wires to the outputs of the DC-to-DC power converter.
- Plug the USB-C terminal into the Raspberry Pi power. See Figure 1 for the final soldered connector.

#### 6. Final Assembly

 Screw the Raspberry Pi, Debugging Board, and DC-to-DC step-down into their respective housings in the BatteryBox. Place the battery into its housing.

#### Initialization

### 1. Set Up SSH Communication

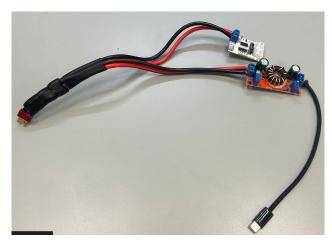
- Establish SSH communication with your Raspberry Pi.
- Install the <u>PyLX-16A repository</u>, which enables remote control of the robot's servos.

#### 2. Center the Servos

- Run the servo-test.py script to center each servo at 120 degrees, the default position specified by the URDF.
- Set servo limits to avoid harmful self-collision.

## 3. Replay Trained Locomotion Policy

 Refer to the Sim2Real documentation in the ReadMe file to replay the trained locomotion policy on your assembled robot.



**Figure 1:** Soldered T-Connector to two Ys. One powers the servo board, one connects to the DC step down, and then to the RaspberryPi