

LINE FOLLOWING ROBOT WITH LOAD COLOR RECOGNITION

Requirement:

- Line following error = $\pm 3\text{mm}$
- Minimum speed 0.1 m/s
- Ability to recognize color of load cargo
- Can carry 2 kg of load

Objective:

- Line following error = $\pm 3\text{mm}$
- Speed = 0.3 m/s
- Recognize 2 color of load cargo
- Carry 2 kg of a load

SELECTION PLANNING

Mechanical

Objective:

- Simple structure
- Easy to drive and steer
- Good traction
- Affordable price

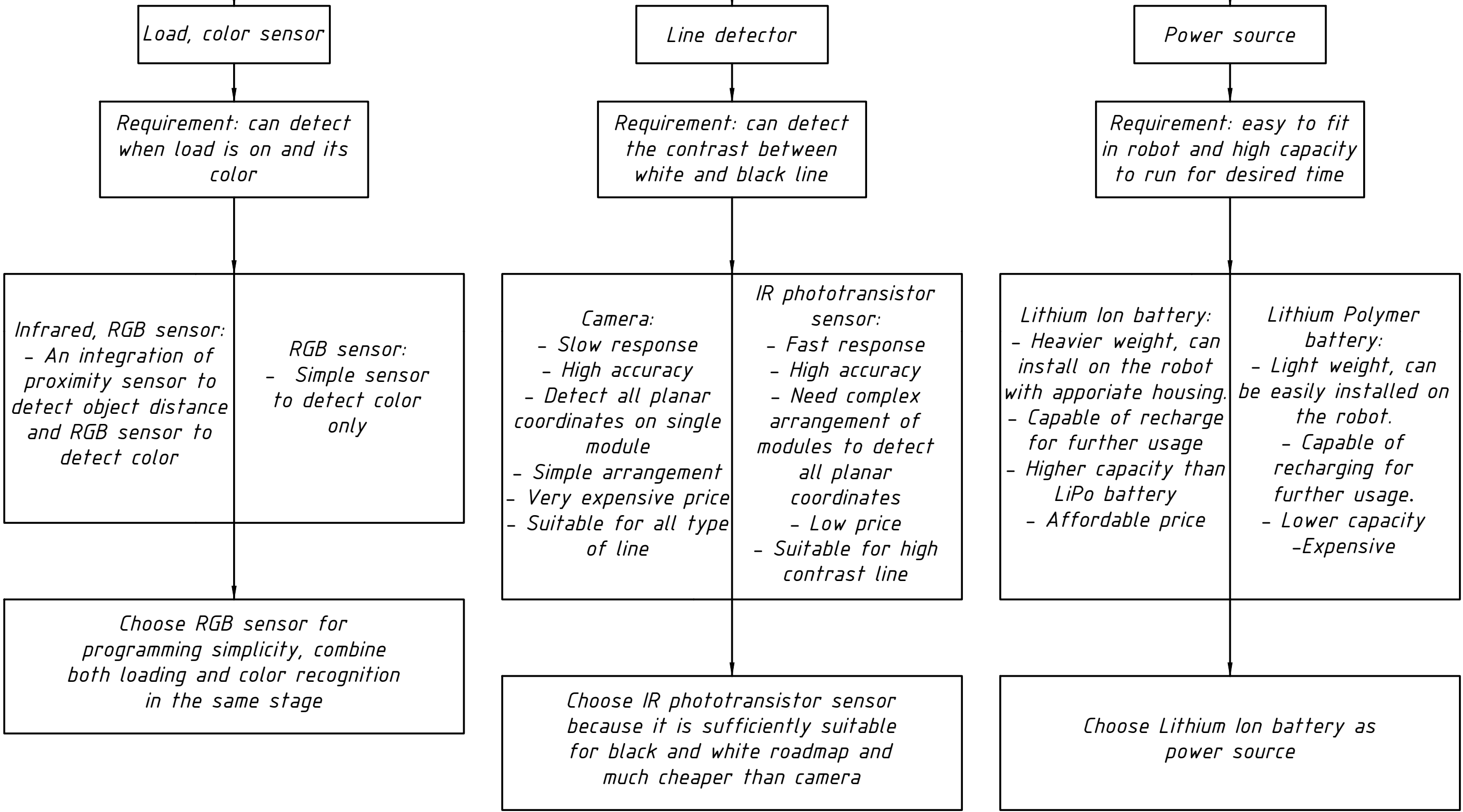
	Three wheel robot (2 driving wheel behind, 1 driven wheel in front)	Three wheel robot (2 driving wheel in front, 1 driven wheel behind)	Three wheel robot (1 steer-driving wheel in front, 2 driven wheel behind)	Four wheel robot (2 driving wheel behind, 2 driven wheel in front)
Kinematic diagram				
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 wheels are easy to stay coplanar- Better traction- Simple mechanism	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 wheels are easy to stay coplanar- Better traction- Simple mechanism	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 wheels are easy to stay coplanar- Better traction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Evenly distributed weight
Drawbacks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Chance of rolling over when steering highspeed- Weight is not evenly distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Chance of understeer in curve road with high speed- Weight is not evenly distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Single steer drive wheel requires high torque motor- Steer drive wheel is expensive	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Hard to stay coplanar

Choose three wheel robot with 2 driving wheel behind,
1 driven wheel in front

Electrical

Objective:

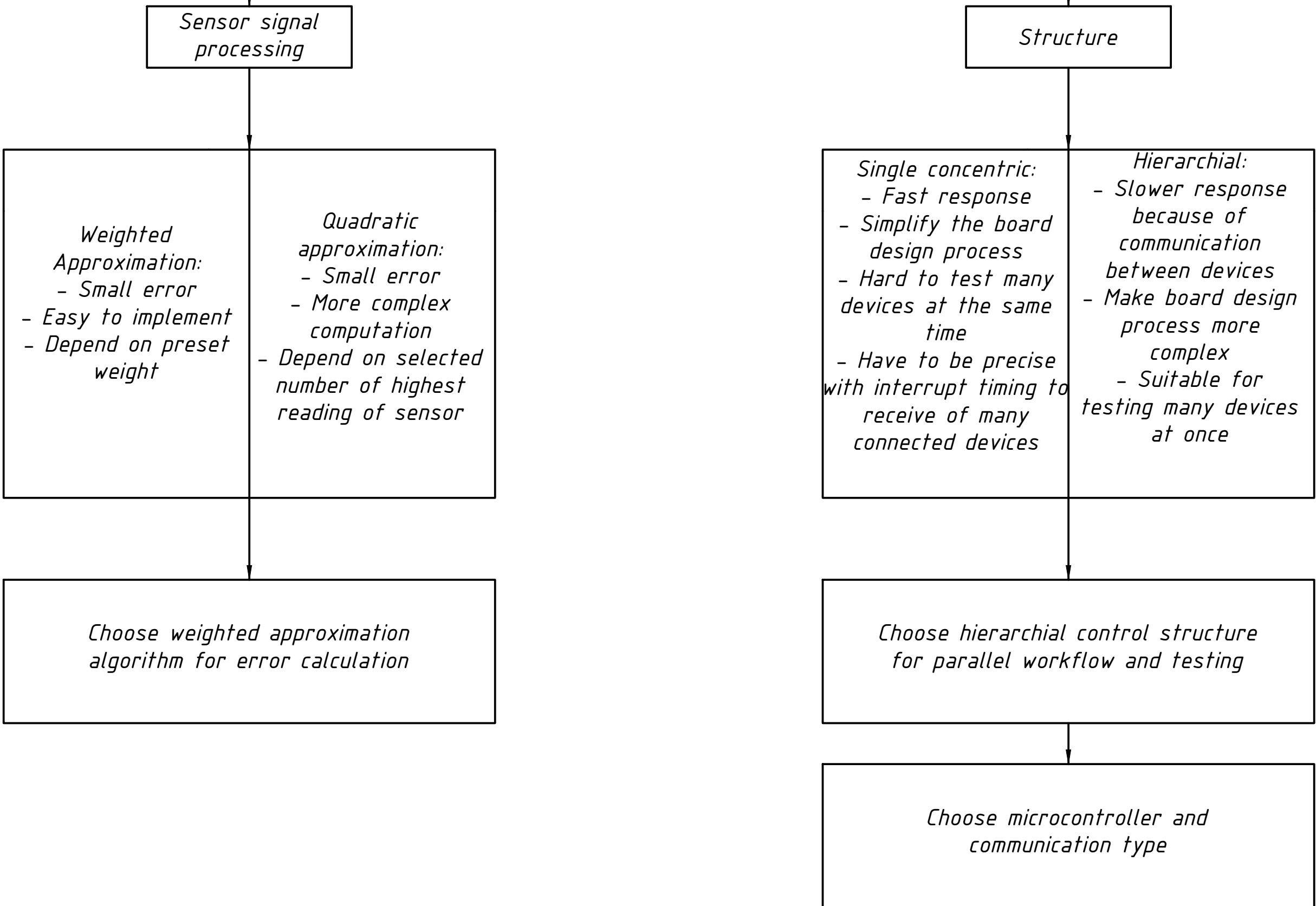
- Recognize load
- Recognize load color
- Recognize black line on white background with low error.
- Suitable size and capacity of power source



Controllers

Objective:

- Implementable control algorithm on microcontroller
- Easy for parallel workflow
- Precise and fast signal transmission



COMMUNICATION TYPE SELECTION			
Type	I2C	SPI	UART
Available Connection	Multiple master - multiple slave	1 master - multiple slave	1 master - 1 slave
Speed	10 - 100Kbps	10Mbps	1Mbps

Choose I2C for communication between microcontroller board, UART for communication with computer for testing

MICROCONTROLLER SELECTION			
Function	Master	Sensor	Motor
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Have enough ports for communication with slaves- Small size- Easy to program and communicate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Have sufficient analog ports to receive sensors data- Small size- Easy to program and communicate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Small size- Easy to program and communicate

Choose ATmega32 for master, sensors signal are handled by master because it has 8 analog ports
Choose ATmega328P as motor slaves for simple programming with master