

# Team 16 Final Project: **THE TRASH CAR**



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# What's the Trash Car?

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## Must haves:

- Autonomous Vehicle
- Picks up Trash and brings it to a designed location
- Can recognize different types of trash to recycle correctly

## Nice to have:

- Can avoid fix and moving obstacles
- Can map its environment to clean an area efficiently
- Vacuum to suck cigarette butts

# Why a Trash Car?

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Large amounts of trash on  
Campus

It takes a lot of effort to pick  
up trash

Hence the Trash Car

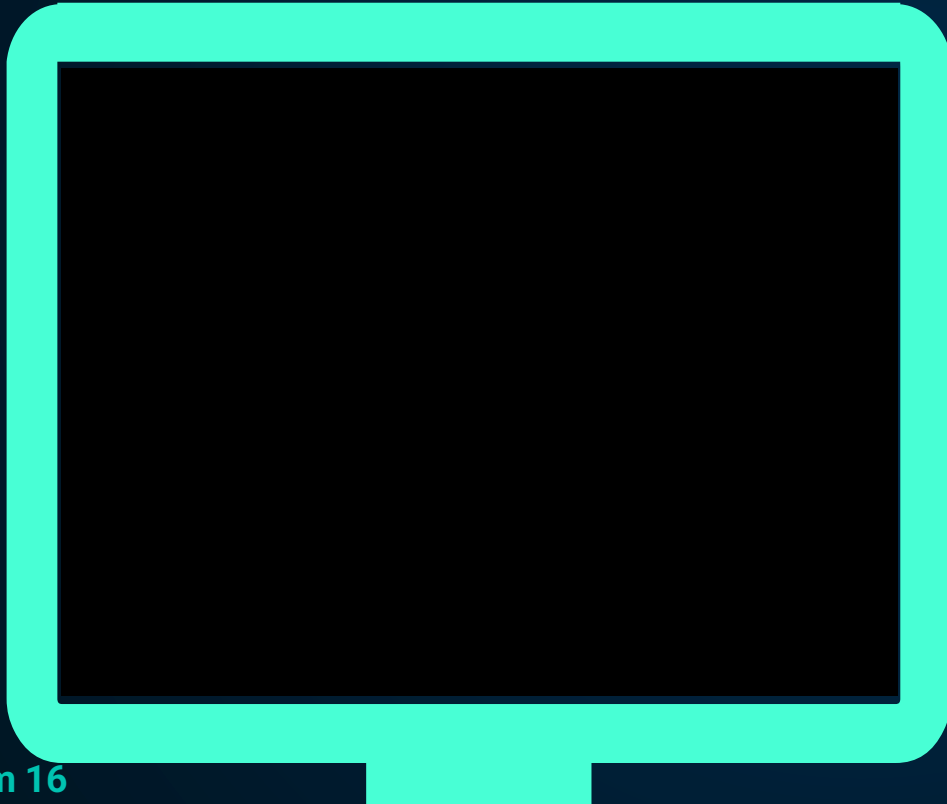
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# Creation Process

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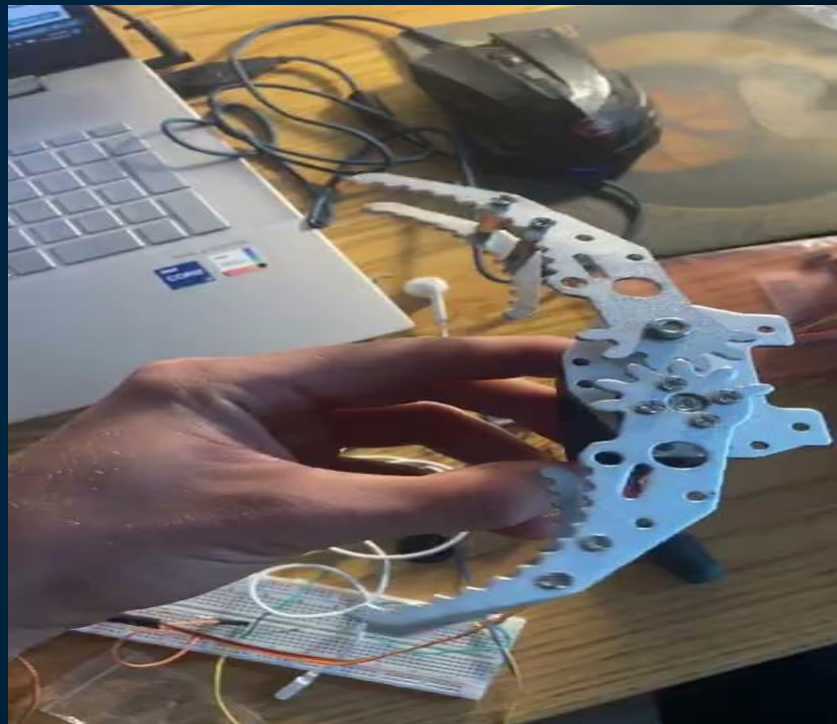
# Implementing the Camera Mount

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Camera mount created in Fusion 360, and then Laser cut in EnVision Lab

# Constructing the Claw

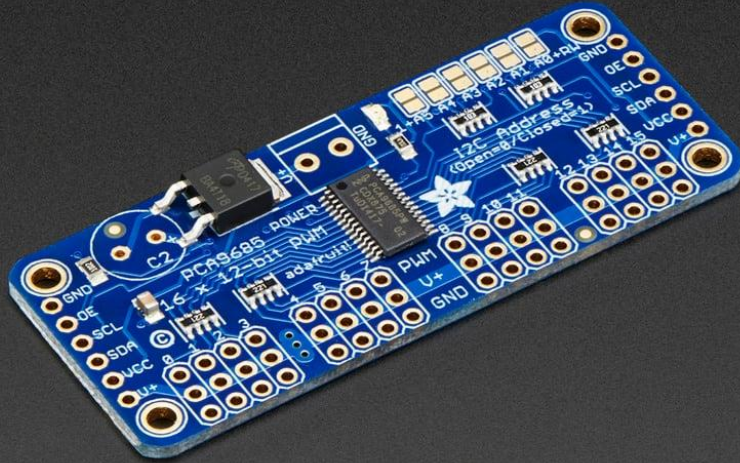




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# AdaFruit PWM Servo Driver add On



Our team implemented the AdaFruit PWM Servo Driver to control multiple servos at once. The VESC was giving us trouble, so the Adafruit made it much easier to control the robotic claw separately.



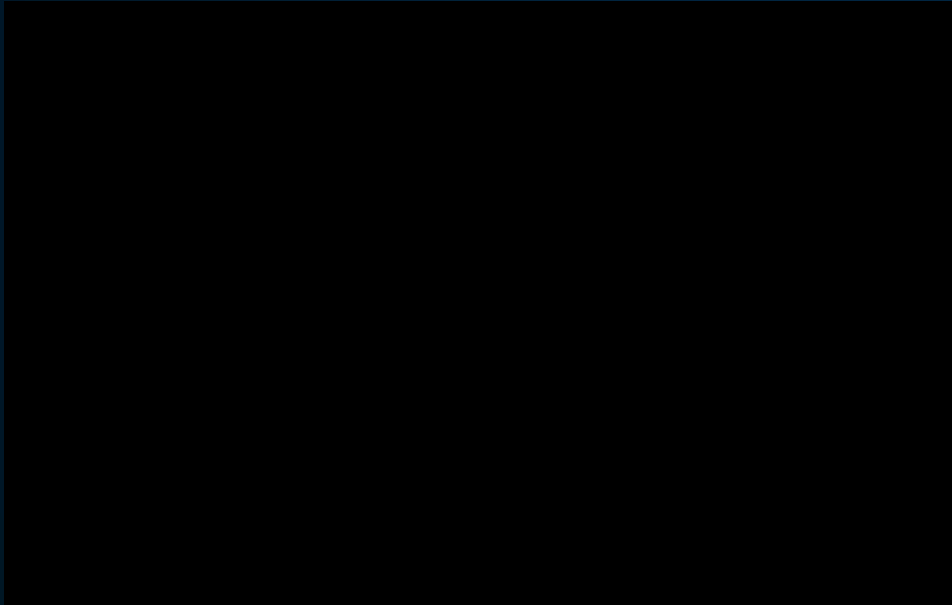


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# Depth AI with OAK-D

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Pre-trained Model used to detect objects of interest

Used Stereo Cameras on OAK-D Lite for Depth Perception

Depth Perception and Object detection used to get coordinates of objects relative to the camera.

# Servo and Robot Arm Code

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def turn(dist):
    angle = 70
    if dist < 0.3:
        angle = 20
    elif dist >= 0.3 and dist < 0.5:
        angle = 50
    elif dist >= 0.3 and dist < 0.5:
        angle = 90
    elif dist > 0.7:
        angle = 120

    return angle

def action(state, dist):
    if state == 0:
        # We don't see anything so go forward
        myvesc.run(70,50,0.18)
    elif state == 1:
        # It saw something
        # Turn
        angle = turn(dist)
        myvesc.run(angle,90,0.15)
    elif state == 2:
        # We grab
        myvesc.run(70,90,0.0)
        time.sleep(3)
        myvesc.run(70,90,0.2)
        time.sleep(0.3)
        myvesc.run(70,30,0.0)
        time.sleep(2)
        myvesc.run(70,30,-0.2)
        time.sleep(5)
        myvesc.run(70,30,0)
        time.sleep(15)
        state = 0

    print(state)
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if str(label) == 'cup': # and z = int(detection.spatialCoordinates.z:
    # If close
    if int(detection.spatialCoordinates.z) <= 400 and int(detection.spatialCoordinates.z) > 0:
        # Grab
        state = 2
    # If far:
    elif int(detection.spatialCoordinates.z) > 400 and state != 2:
        state = 1

    # 0.5 == center
    print(detection.xmin + (detection.xmax-detection.xmin)/2)
    dist = detection.xmin + (detection.xmax-detection.xmin)/2
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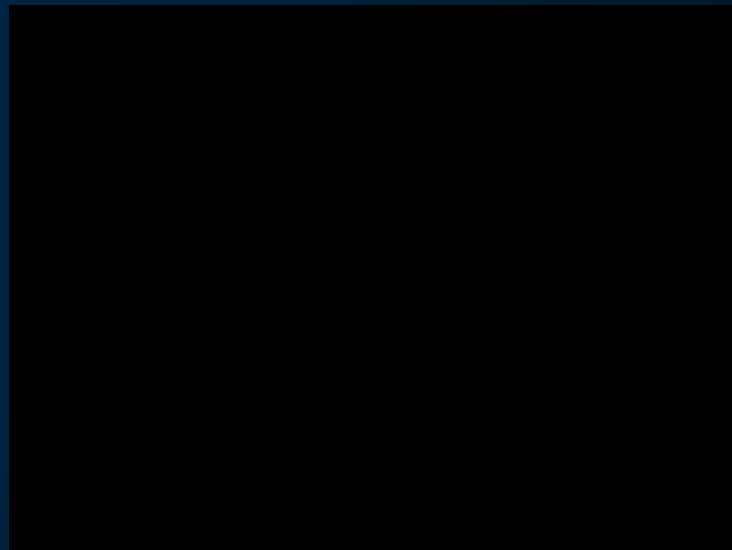
# Demonstration

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# Video Presentation

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# Our Result

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## What worked:

- Recognizing trash
- Moving towards the item (with servo and throttle)
- Grabbing the item to bring it somewhere else

## What did not work:

- Avoid fix and moving obstacles



# Problems encountered

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## Parts:

- Battery
- VESC
- Buck converter
- Jetson Nano
- GPS

## Other:

- Motor
- Code

# If we had another week ?

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- Drop off Location using GPS
- Roaming an Area to detect trash
- Detection of more objects
- Avoiding obstacles
- An extra servo to lift trash off the ground
- Try the Lidar
- added vacuum

# The End

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