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FINAL PROJECT REPORT:

LINE FOLLOWER ROBOT  
AND  
MAKEBLOCK ROBOT WITH GRIPPER AND LAUNCHER

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## **Purpose:**

- 1) To use the C programming language and make the car track the black lines to the destination.
- 2) To better understand the theories of physics through a practical project and learn how we can apply theories in the real world.
- 3) To improve the skill of programming, 3D drawing and problem solving through critical thinking.
- 4) To improve the teamwork ability and build good coordination between team members.
- 5) To learn how to adjust the limited supply in the most efficient way.

## **Scope:**

### 1) Line Following robot:

The Line follower robot is designed to have 3 IR sensors on the front of the car to track the line and the other 2 IR sensors are on the back to check if it should stop now or not.

### 2) Manual Robot:

The manual Robot is designed to use the gripper to grab the ball and release it to the catapult then throw it over the obstruction into a specific target.

## **Background Research:**

### 1) Line Following robot:

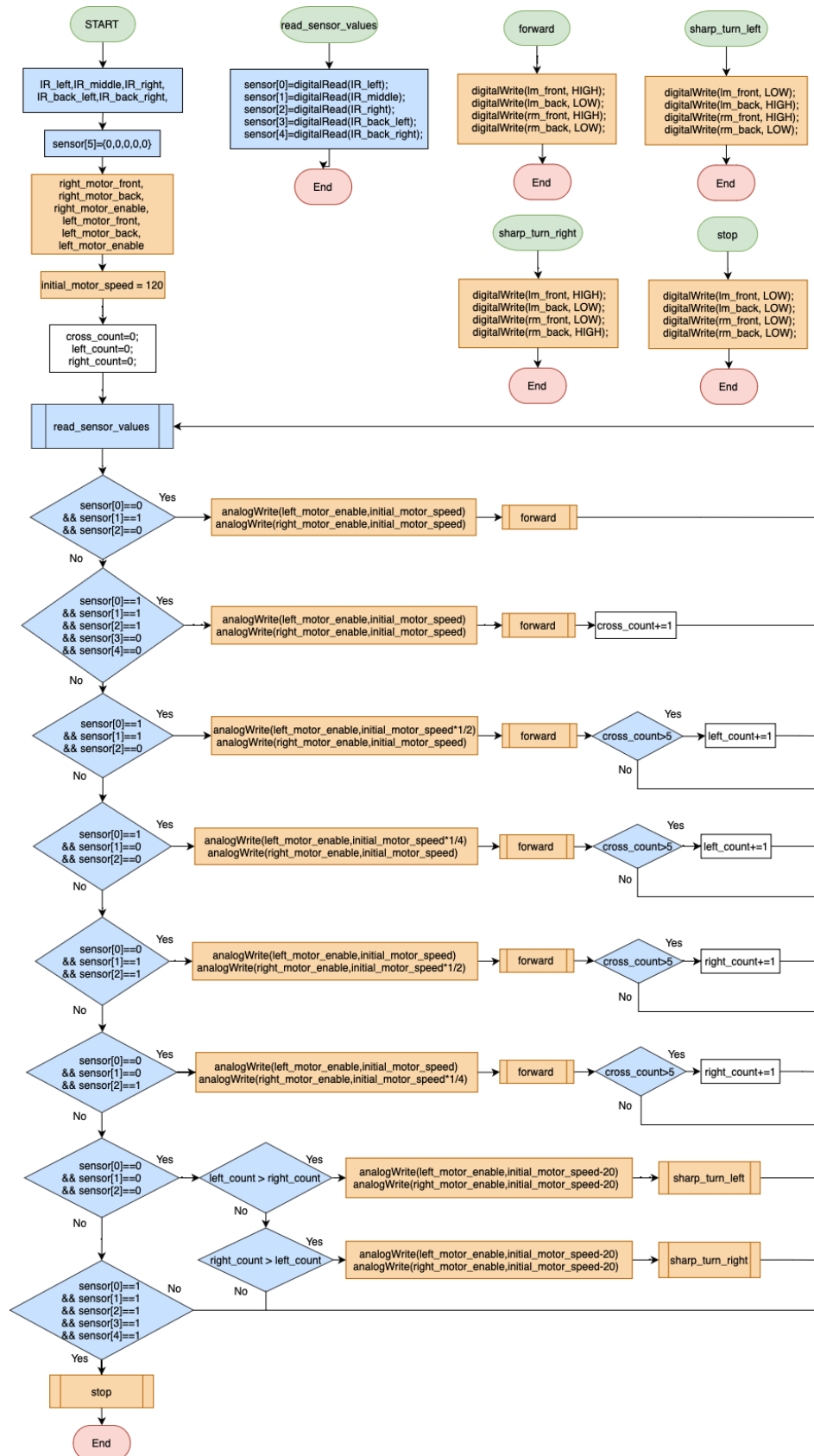
- 1.1 Must have light and balanced weight for 2 DC motors.
- 1.2 The center of mass should be closer to the center of force (the motors).
- 1.3 Most of the weight should be in the front of the car for the fast speed and stability but also not too front that the robot loses balance.
- 1.4 The IR module detects the distance 2 ~ 30cm, detection angle 35 °, the distance can detect potential is adjusted clockwise adjustment potentiometer, detects the distance increases; counter clockwise adjustment potentiometer, reducing detection distance.

### 2) Manual Robot

- 2.1 The gripper can simply be done with 2 servo motors
- 2.2 Motor for the launcher should be high torque and high speed
- 2.3 The launching degree should be a little more than 45 degrees for the maximum range

# Line Following Robot

## 1) Flowchart



## 2) Coding

In auto robot (Line follower) coding, we use -

- 1) Flowchart
- 2) Variables and Data types
- 3) Conditions and Control flow
- 4) Expression (if else statement)
- 5) Array
- 6) functions and
- 7) Arduino IDE

```
//Line follower code
//Written by PYAE HTOO KHANT
//RAI_5 Group_4
//10/12/2022

//define sensor pins
int IR_left = 5;
int IR_middle = 4;
int IR_right= 3;
int IR_back_left = 12;
int IR_back_right = 2;

//initiate sensor values
int sensor[5]={0,0,0,0,0};

//define motor pins
int rm_front = 8;
int rm_back = 7;
int rm_enable = 6;
int lm_front = 9;
int lm_back = 10;
int lm_enable = 11;

//Initial speed of motor
int initial_motor_speed = 120;
```

```
int left_count=0; //to decide whether to turn left at the final
stage of arena
int right_count=0; //to decide whether to turn right at the final
stage of arena
int cross_count=0; //to count the cross lines

void setup() {
    // put your setup code here, to run once:
    Serial.begin(9600);
    //sensor input
    pinMode(IR_left,INPUT);
    pinMode(IR_middle,INPUT);
    pinMode(IR_right,INPUT);
    pinMode(IR_back_left,INPUT);
    pinMode(IR_back_right,INPUT);

    // right wheel
    pinMode(rm_front, OUTPUT);
    pinMode(rm_back, OUTPUT);
    pinMode(rm_enable, OUTPUT);

    // left wheel
    pinMode(lm_front, OUTPUT);
    pinMode(lm_back, OUTPUT);
    pinMode(lm_enable, OUTPUT);

}

void loop() {
    // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:
    read_sensor_values(); //get sensor values
```

```

if(sensor[0]==0 && sensor[1]==1 && sensor[2]==0){
    analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
    analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
    forward();
    delay(20); // go straight for 0.02 s
}
else if(sensor[0]==1 && sensor[1]==1 && sensor[2]==0){
    analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed*2/4);
    analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
    forward();
    delay(20); //tilt to right == turn left by reducing the speed
of left motor
    // if (cross_count>=5){
    //     left_count+=1; //After passing 5 cross line in arena,
count as left if it goes to left
    // }
}
else if(sensor[0]==1 && sensor[1]==0 && sensor[2]==0){
    analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed*1/4);
    analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
    forward();
    delay(20); //more tilt to right == turn more left by reducing
the speed of left motor
    if (cross_count>=5){
        left_count+=1; //After passing 5 cross line in arena, count
as left if it goes to left
    }
}
else if(sensor[0]==0 && sensor[1]==1 && sensor[2]==1){
    analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
    analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed*2/4);
    forward();
}

```

```

    delay(20); //tilt to left == turn right by reducing the speed
of right motor
    // if (cross_count>=5){
        //    right_count+=1; //After passing 5 cross line in arena,
count as right if it goes to right
        // }
    }
    else if(sensor[0]==0 && sensor[1]==0 && sensor[2]==1){
        analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
        analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed*1/4);
        forward();
        delay(20); //more tilt to left == turn more right by reducing
the speed of right motor
        if (cross_count>=5){
            right_count+=1; //After passing 5 cross line in arena, count
as right if it goes to right
        }
    }
    else if(sensor[0]==1 && sensor[1]==1 && sensor[2]==1 &&
sensor[3]==0 && sensor[4]==0){
        analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
        analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed);
        forward();
        delay(20); //pass cross line == just go straight for 0.02 s
        cross_count+=1; //count cross line
    }
    else if(sensor[0]==0 && sensor[1]==0 && sensor[2]==0 &&
left_count>right_count){ //Check whether to turn left at the last
junction of arena
        analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed-20); //reduce a
little more speed at turning for smooth
        analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed-20); //reduce a
little more speed at turning for smooth

```



```

    sharpturnleft(); //turn left fast
    delay(20);
}
else if(sensor[0]==0 && sensor[1]==0 && sensor[2]==0 &&
right_count>left_count){ //Check whether to turn right at the
last junction of arena
    analogWrite(lm_enable,initial_motor_speed-20); //reduce a
little more speed at turning for smooth
    analogWrite(rm_enable,initial_motor_speed-20); //reduce a
little more speed at turning for smooth
    sharpturnright(); //turn right fast
    delay(20);
}
else if(sensor[0]==1 && sensor[1]==1 && sensor[2]==1 &&
sensor[3]==1 || sensor[4]==1){
    stop();

}
}
}
void read_sensor_values() //Read IR sensors values //input
{
    sensor[0]=digitalRead(IR_left);
    sensor[1]=digitalRead(IR_middle);
    sensor[2]=digitalRead(IR_right);
    sensor[3]=digitalRead(IR_back_left);
    sensor[4]=digitalRead(IR_back_right);
}
void forward () { //motor output
    digitalWrite(lm_front, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(lm_back, LOW);
    digitalWrite(rm_front, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(rm_back, LOW);
}

```

```
void sharpturnleft () { //motor output
    digitalWrite(lm_front, LOW);
    digitalWrite(lm_back, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(rm_front, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(rm_back, LOW);
}

void sharpturnright () { //motor output
    digitalWrite(lm_front, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(lm_back, LOW);
    digitalWrite(rm_front, LOW);
    digitalWrite(rm_back, HIGH);
}

void stop () { //motor output
    digitalWrite(lm_front, LOW);
    digitalWrite(lm_back, LOW);
    digitalWrite(rm_front, LOW);
    digitalWrite(rm_back, LOW);
}
```

### 3) Construction of robot

#### 3.1 Apparatus

The apparatus we use for our line follower robot are as follows.

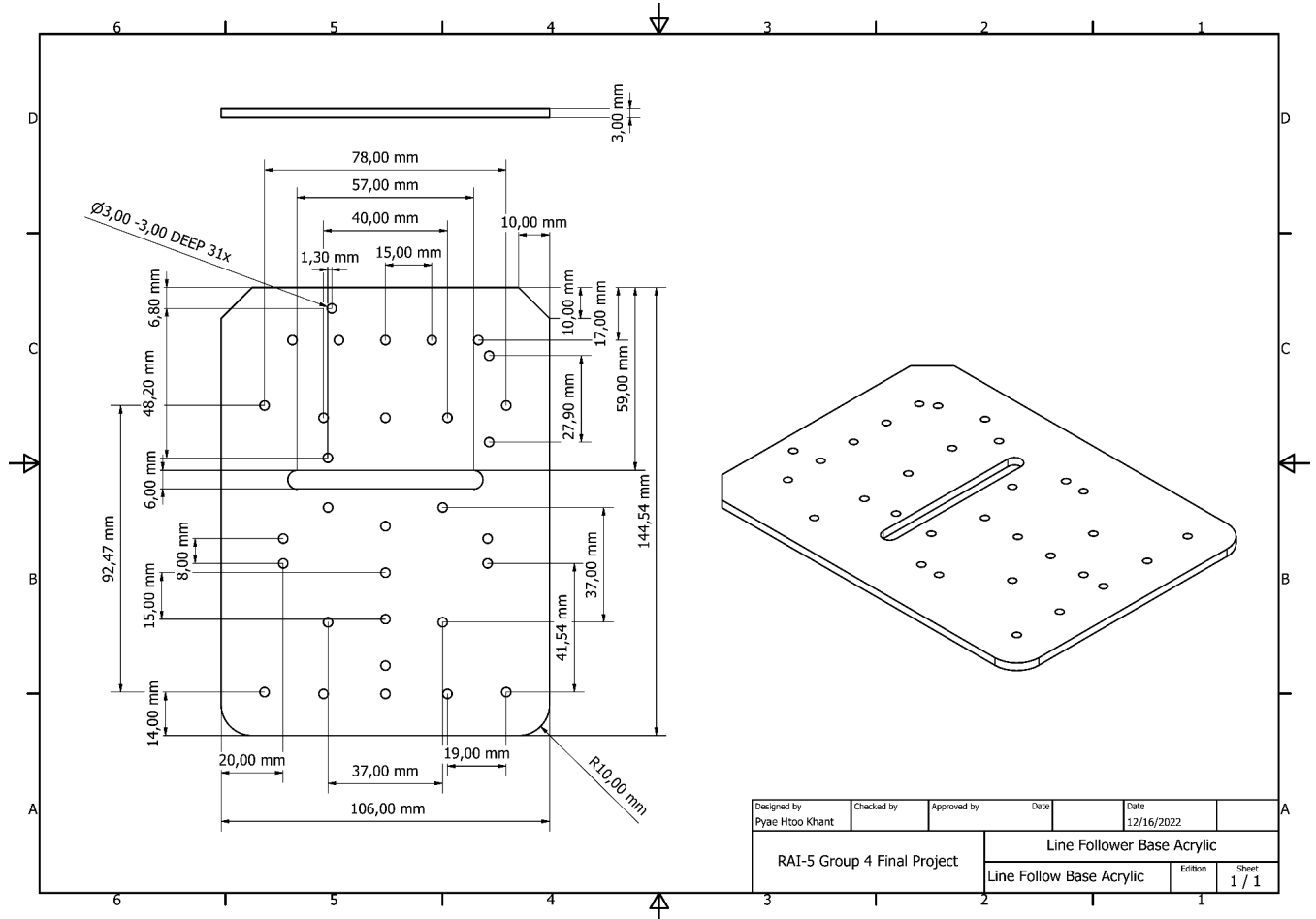
Item	Part Number	Thumbnail	Unit QTY	QTY	Item	Part Number	Thumbnail	Unit QTY	QTY
1	arduino uno		Each	1	10	Line Follow Base Acrylic		Each	1
2	Arduino Sensor Board		Each	1	11	Line Follower Roof		Each	1
3	IR Sensor		Each	5	12	Stand off		Each	15
4	L298N Motor Driver		Each	1	13	Small Stand off		Each	8
5	yellow DC Motor		Each	2	14	4AA Battery Holder		Each	1
6	Motor holder		Each	2	15	Plastic Timing Pulley 90T For Motor		Each	2
7	Caster Ball Wheel		Each	1	16	Tire 90T B		Each	2
8	M3x6 Screws		Each	17	17	M3 Nut		Each	25
9	M3x25 Screws		Each	4	18	Female to Female Wire		Each	1

We use one press-button switch that is connected to the battery and L298N motor driver.

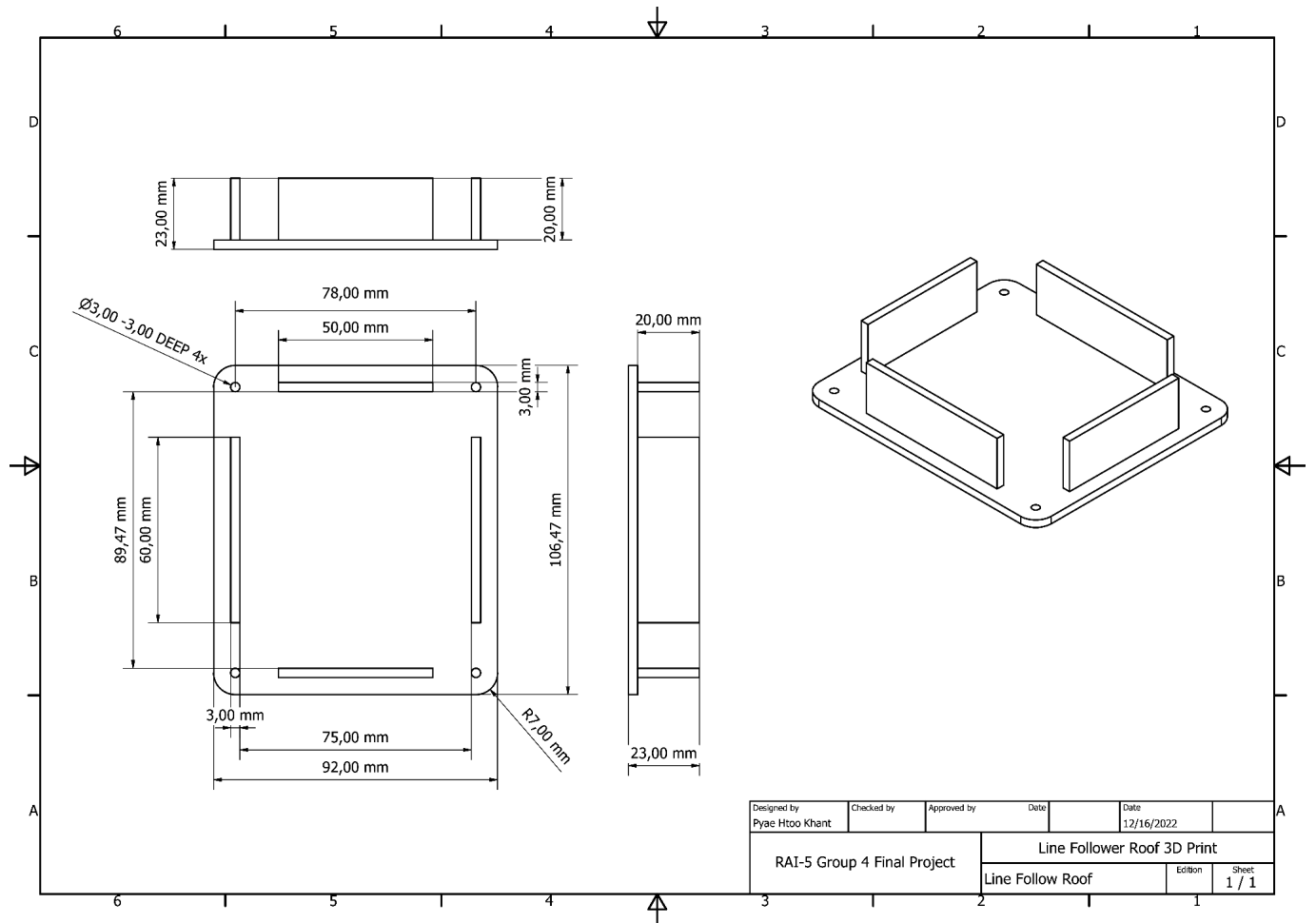
### 3.2 Dimension and Drawing

According to the size requirement, we make sure our robot is within the size of 16x16 cm. We measured all the dimensions of electronics components and screw holes to place them on one single acrylic base. The acrylic plate is 3 mm thick and we laser cut out the design on it.

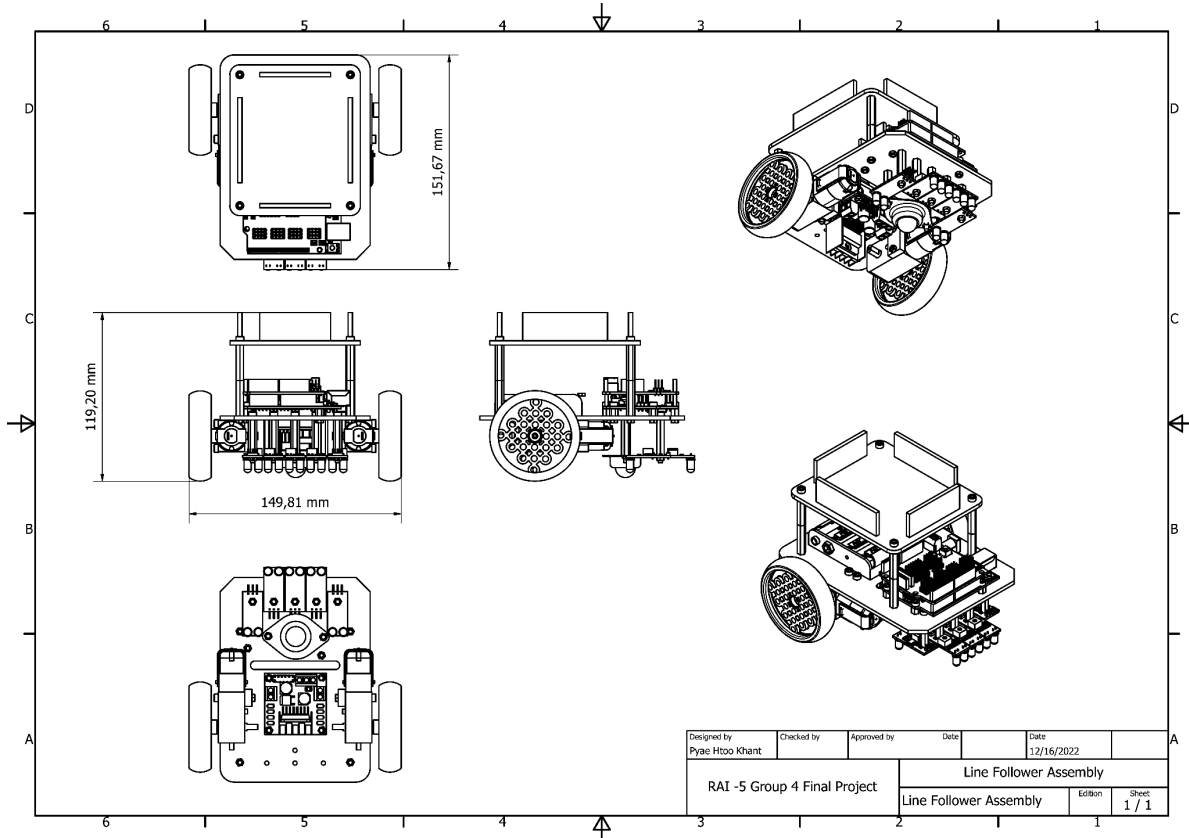
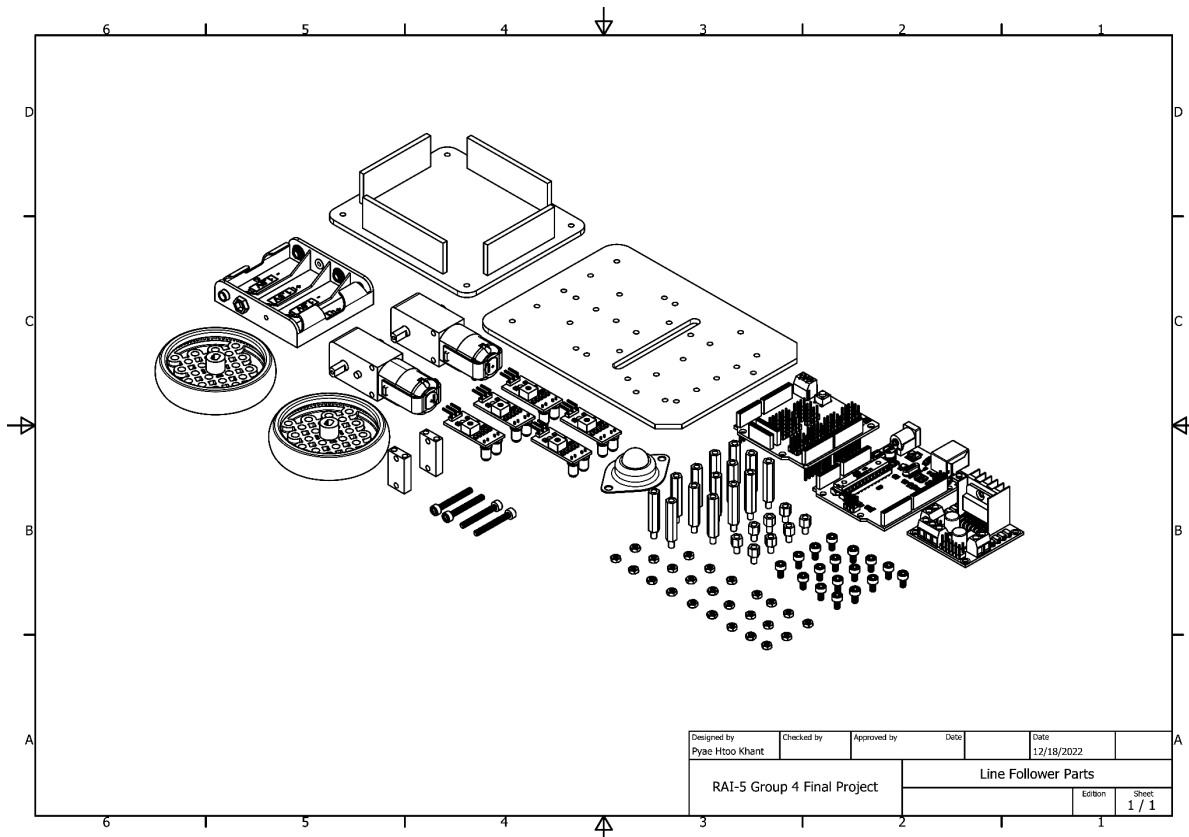
- The dimensions of the acrylic base is as follows.



- To carry the items (7 cm cube) by the robot, we 3D printed the bracket shaped roof and mounted it with the standoffs.

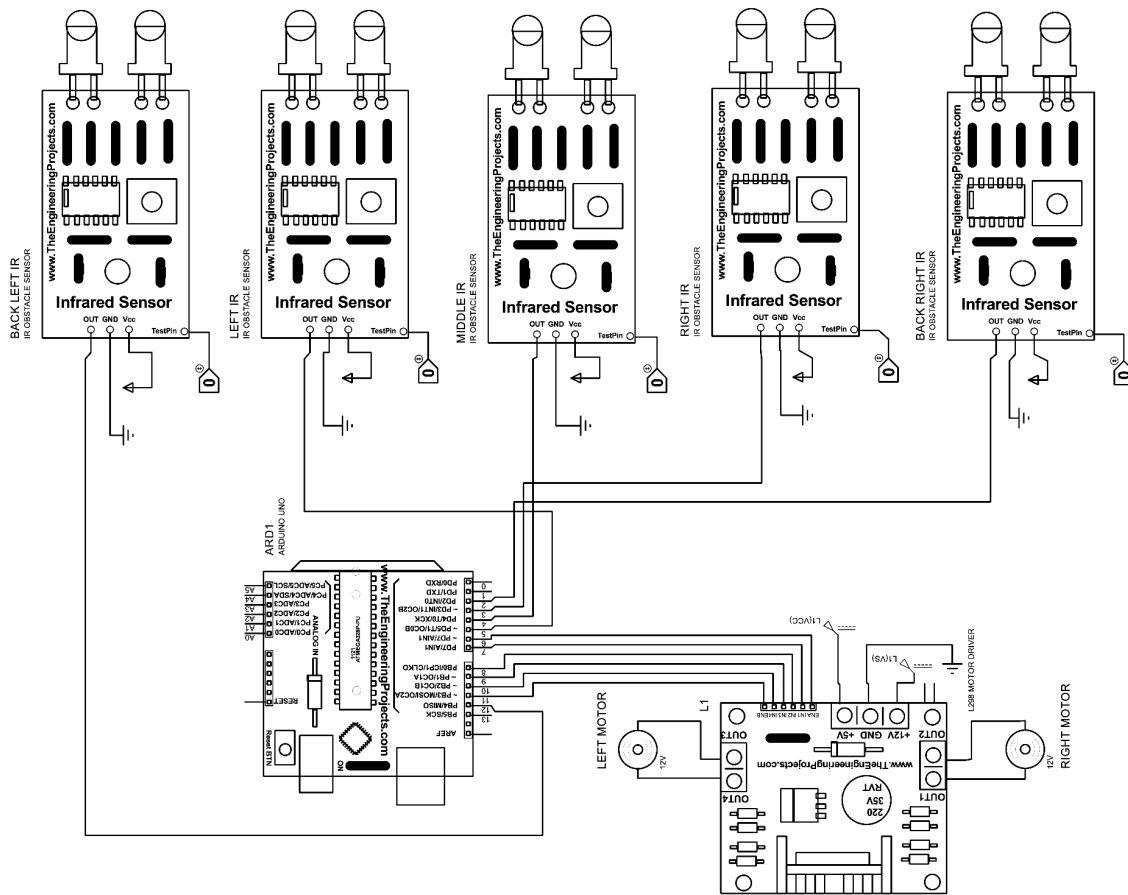


- This is the final design of the line follower robot.

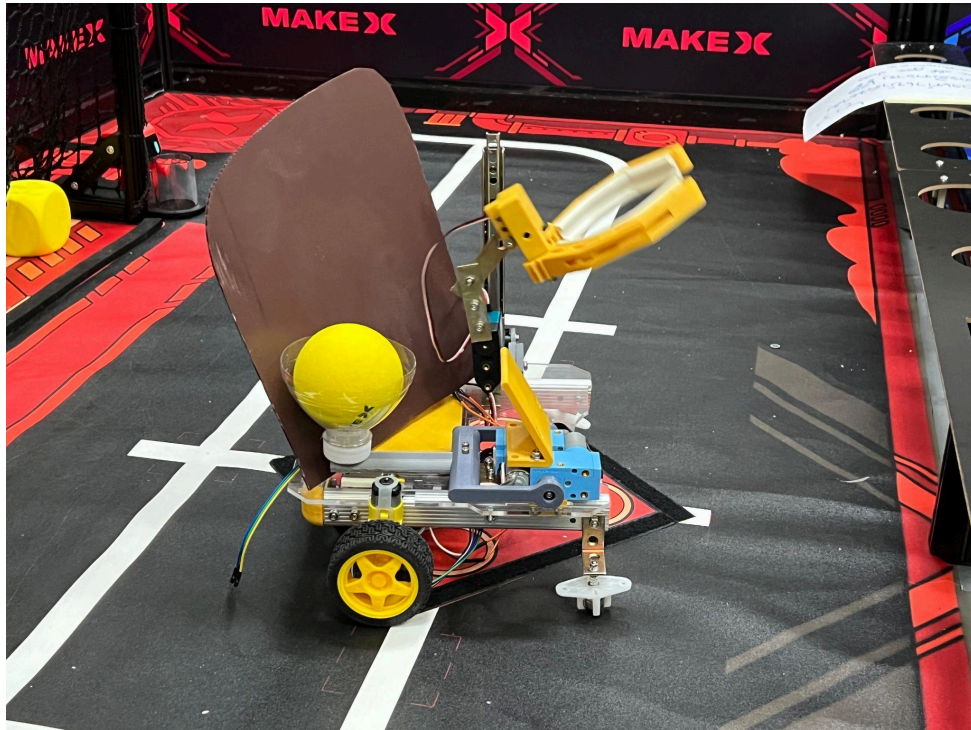


### 3) Electronic system

We use Arduino Uno, Sensor Shield, L298N motor driver, 5 IR sensor modules and 3 motors. The connection of the electronic parts are as follows.



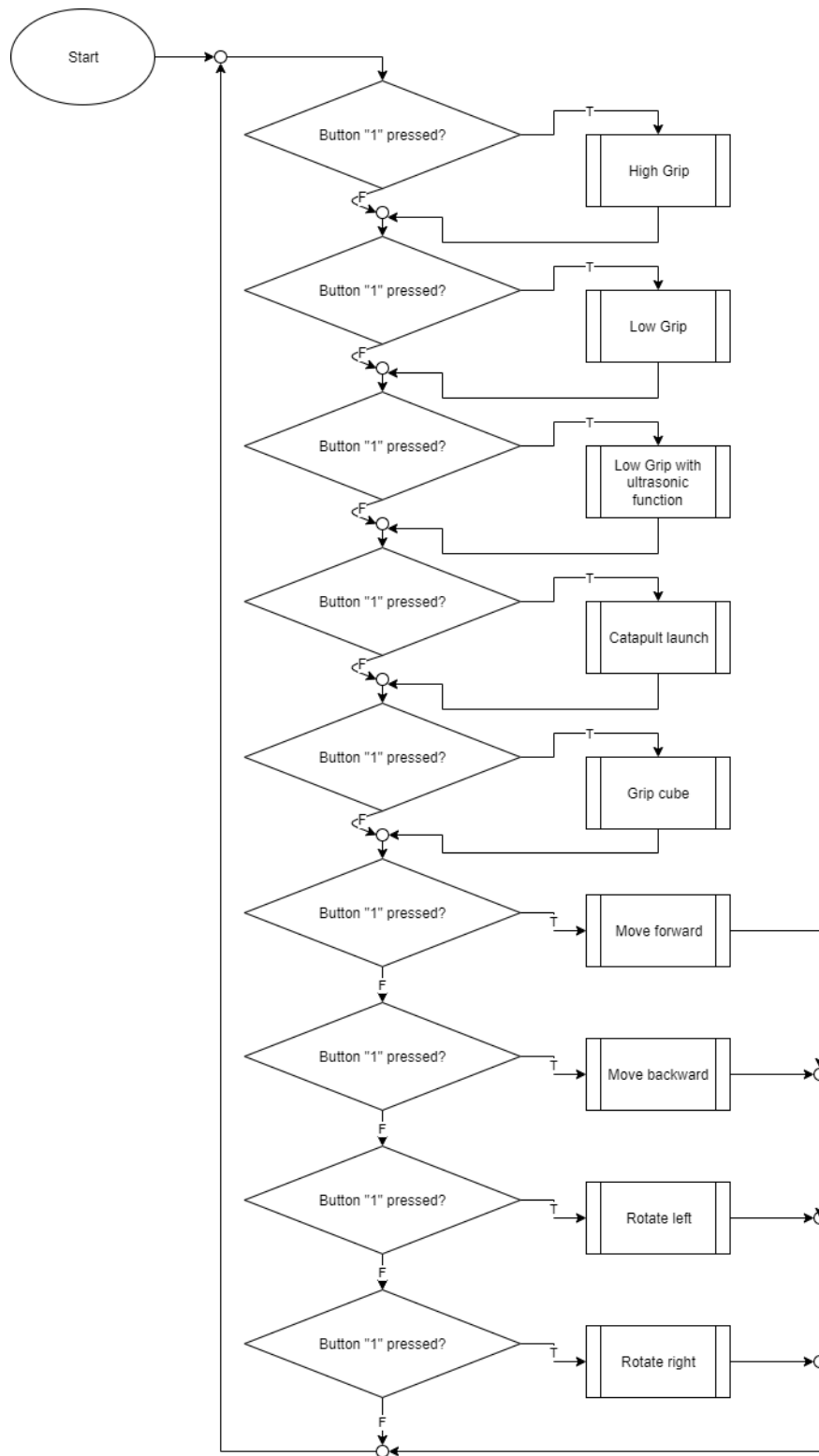
## Manual robot



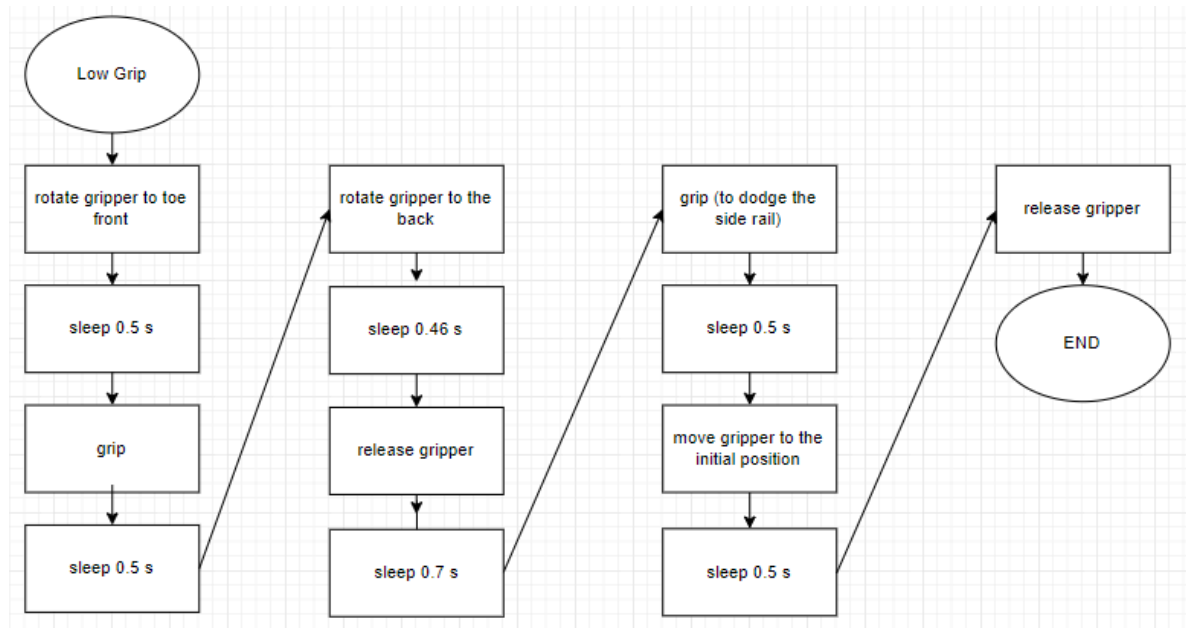


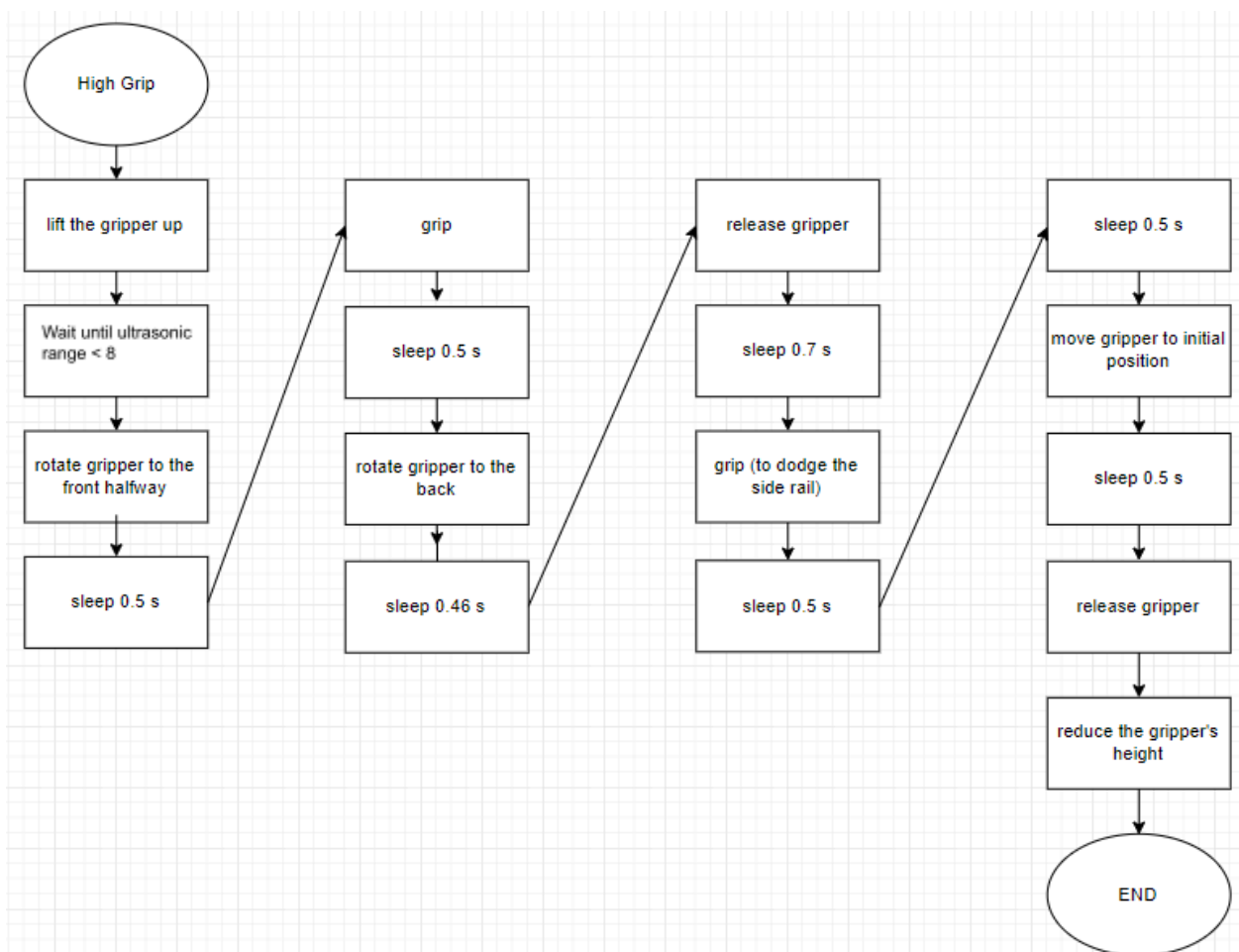
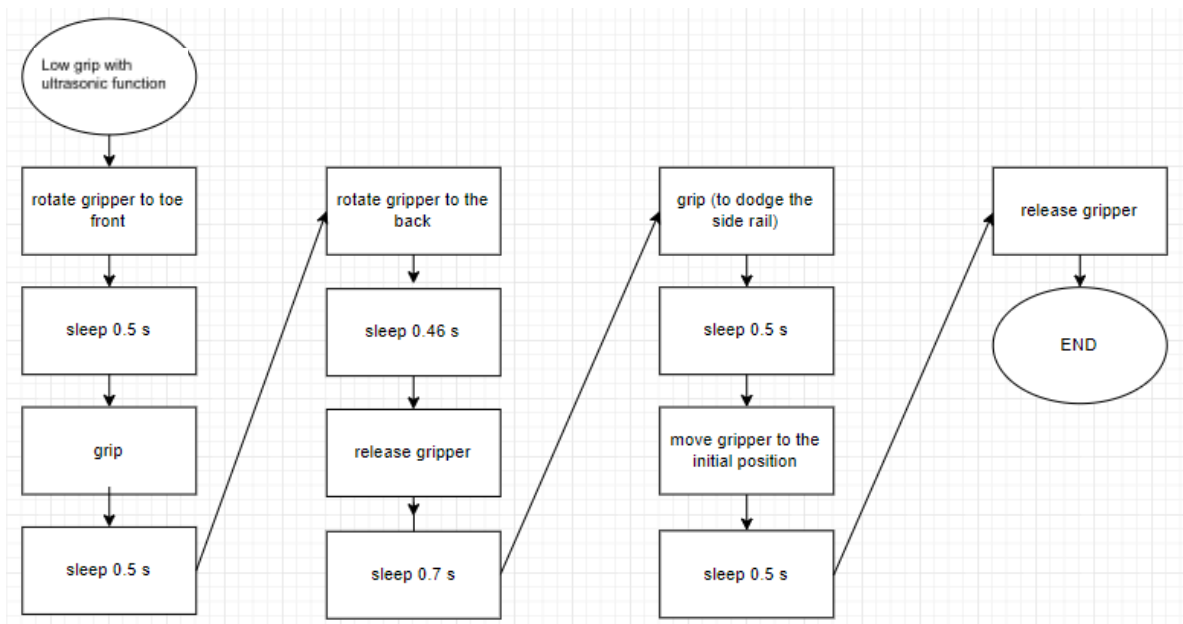
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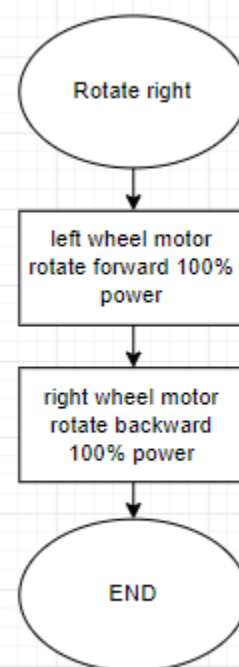
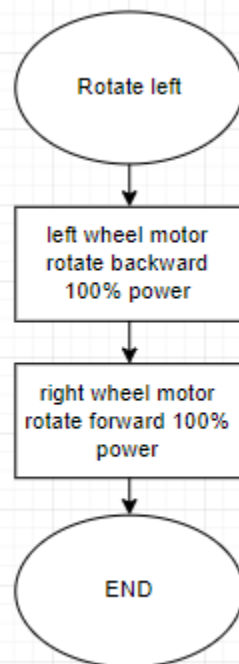
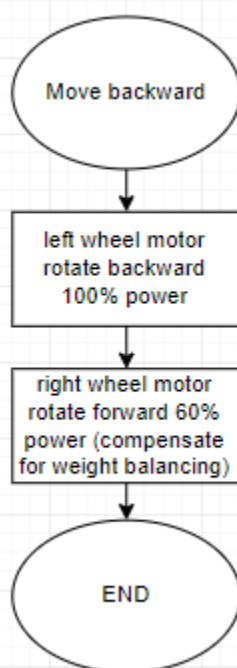
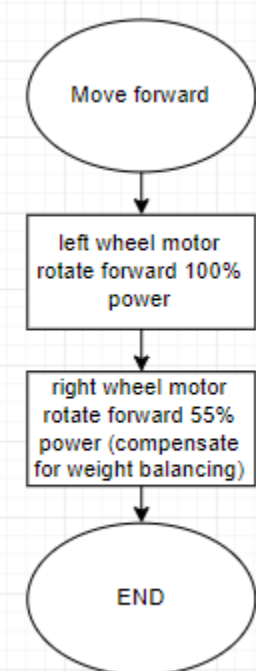
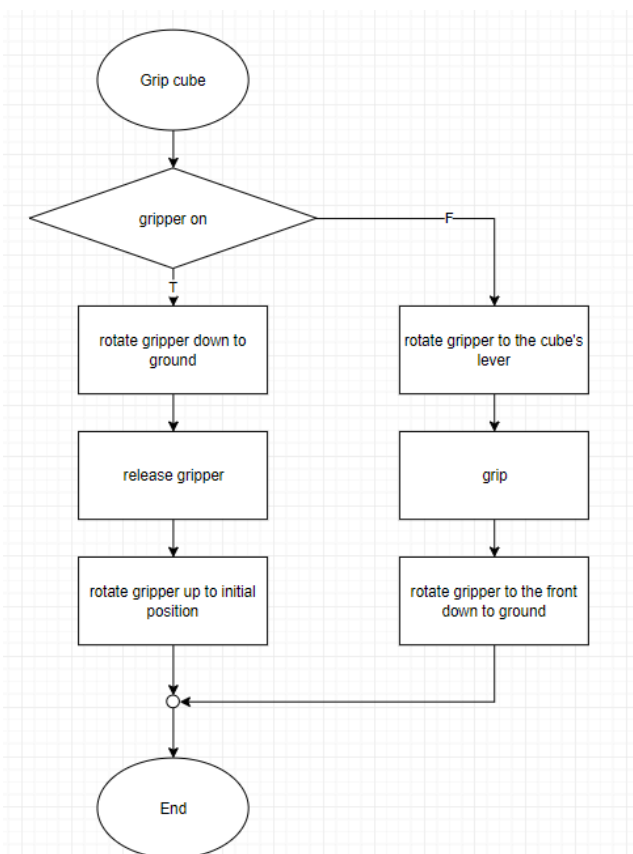
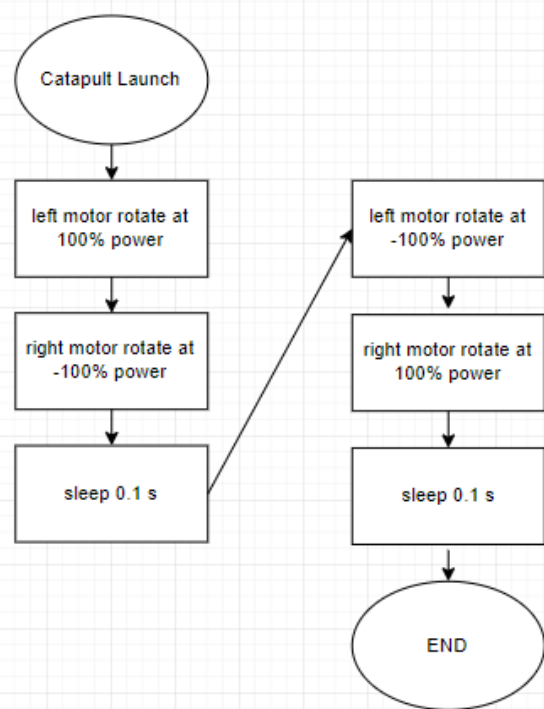
## Main function



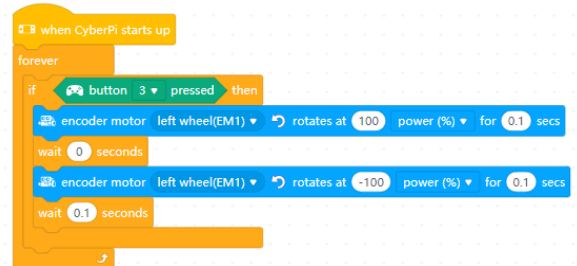
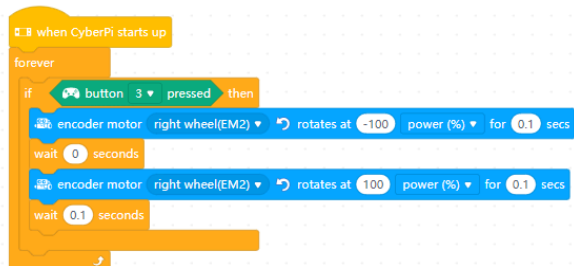
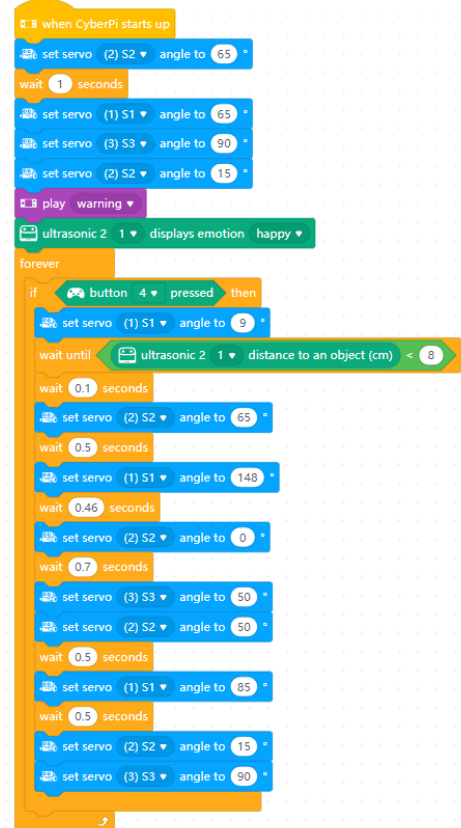
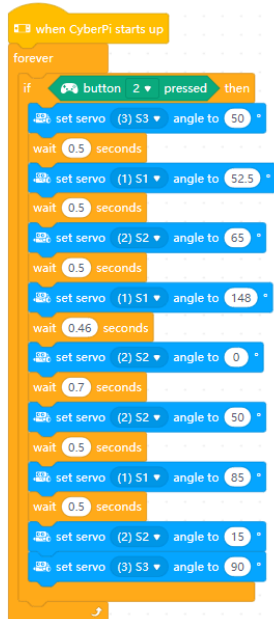
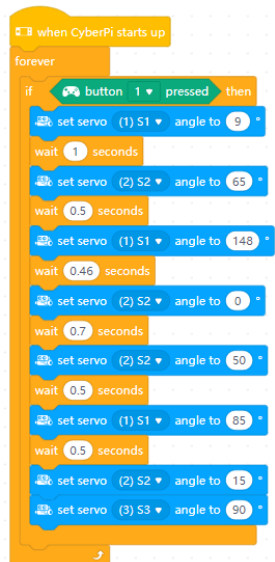
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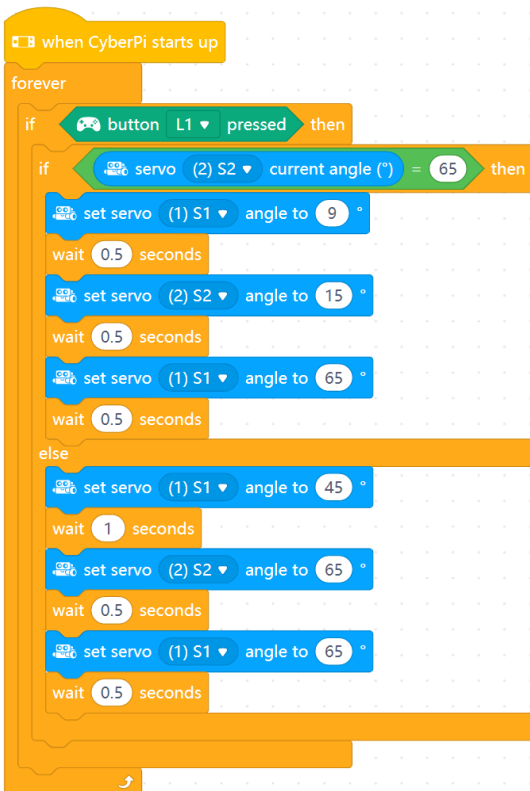
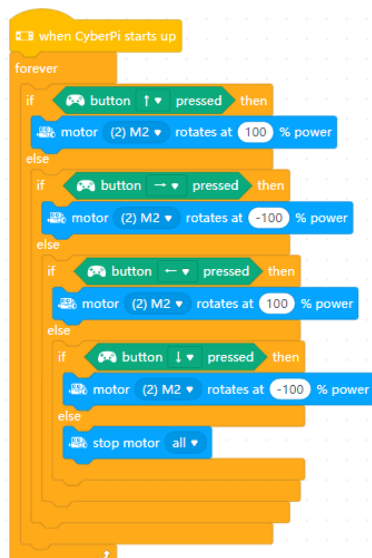
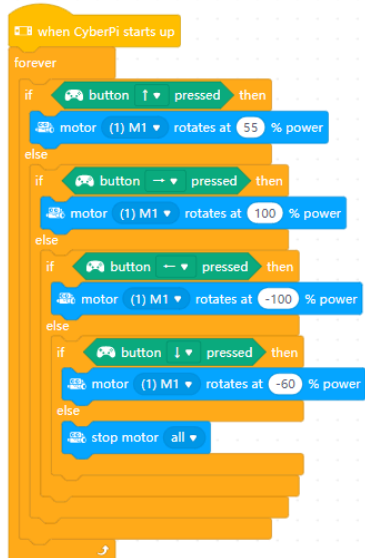






## 1) Coding





```
import gamepad, mbot2, event, time, cyberpi, mbuild
```

```
@event.start
```

```
def on_start():
```

```
    while True:
```

```
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('N1'):
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(9,"S1")
```

```
            time.sleep(1)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(65,"S2")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(148,"S1")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.46)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(0,"S2")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.7)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(50,"S2")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(85,"S1")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(15,"S2")
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(90,"S3")
```

```
@event.start
```

```
def on_start1():
```

```
    while True:
```

```
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('N2'):
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(50,"S3")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(52.5,"S1")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(65,"S2")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
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```
            mbot2.servo_set(148,"S1")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.46)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(0,"S2")
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```
            time.sleep(0.7)
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            mbot2.servo_set(50,"S2")
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            time.sleep(0.5)
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```
            mbot2.servo_set(85,"S1")
```

```
            time.sleep(0.5)
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(15,"S2")
```

```
            mbot2.servo_set(90,"S3")
```

```

@event.start
def on_start2():
    mbot2.servo_set(65,"S2")
    time.sleep(1)
    mbot2.servo_set(65,"S1")
    mbot2.servo_set(90,"S3")
    mbot2.servo_set(15,"S2")
    cyberpi.audio.play('warning')
    mbuid.ultrasonic2.play("happy", 1)
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('N4'):
            mbot2.servo_set(9,"S1")
            while not mbuid.ultrasonic2.get(1) < 8:
                pass

            time.sleep(0.1)
            mbot2.servo_set(65,"S2")
            time.sleep(0.5)
            mbot2.servo_set(148,"S1")
            time.sleep(0.46)
            mbot2.servo_set(0,"S2")
            time.sleep(0.7)
            mbot2.servo_set(50,"S3")
            mbot2.servo_set(50,"S2")
            time.sleep(0.5)
            mbot2.servo_set(85,"S1")
            time.sleep(0.5)
            mbot2.servo_set(15,"S2")
            mbot2.servo_set(90,"S3")

```

```

@event.start
def on_start3():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('N3'):
            mbot2.EM_set_power(-100, "EM2")
            time.sleep(0.1)
            mbot2.EM_stop("EM2")
            time.sleep(0)
            mbot2.EM_set_power(100, "EM2")
            time.sleep(0.1)
            mbot2.EM_stop("EM2")
            time.sleep(0.1)

```



```
@event.start
def on_start4():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('N3'):
            mbot2.EM_set_power(100, "EM1")
            time.sleep(0.1)
            mbot2.EM_stop("EM1")
            time.sleep(0)
            mbot2.EM_set_power(-100, "EM1")
            time.sleep(0.1)
            mbot2.EM_stop("EM1")
            time.sleep(0.1)
```

```
@event.start
def on_start5():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Up'):
            mbot2.motor_set(55, "M1")

        else:
            if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Right'):
                mbot2.motor_set(100, "M1")

            else:
                if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Left'):
                    mbot2.motor_set(-100, "M1")

                else:
                    if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Down'):
                        mbot2.motor_set(-60, "M1")

                    else:
                        mbot2.motor_stop("all")
```

```
@event.start
def on_start6():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Up'):
            mbot2.motor_set(100, "M2")

        else:
```

```

        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Right'):
            mbot2.motor_set(-100, "M2")

        else:
            if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Left'):
                mbot2.motor_set(100, "M2")

            else:
                if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Down'):
                    mbot2.motor_set(-100, "M2")

                else:
                    mbot2.motor_stop("all")

@event.start
def on_start7():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('R1'):
            if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Up'):
                mbot2.motor_set(10, "M1")

            else:
                if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Left'):
                    mbot2.motor_set(10, "M1")

                else:
                    if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Right'):
                        mbot2.motor_set(-10, "M1")

                    else:
                        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Down'):
                            mbot2.motor_set(-10, "M1")

                        else:
                            mbot2.motor_stop("all")

@event.start
def on_start8():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('R1'):
            if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Up'):
                mbot2.motor_set(2, "M2")

```

```

else:
    if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Left'):
        mbot2.motor_set(-2, "M2")

    else:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Right'):
            mbot2.motor_set(2, "M2")

        else:
            if gamepad.is_key_pressed('Down'):
                mbot2.motor_set(-2, "M2")

            else:
                mbot2.motor_stop("all")

@event.start
def on_start3():
    while True:
        if gamepad.is_key_pressed('L1'):
            if mbot2.servo_get("S2") == 65:
                mbot2.servo_set(9, "S1")
                time.sleep(0.5)
                mbot2.servo_set(15, "S2")
                time.sleep(0.5)
                mbot2.servo_set(65, "S1")
                time.sleep(0.5)

        else:
            mbot2.servo_set(45, "S1")
            time.sleep(1)
            mbot2.servo_set(65, "S2")
            time.sleep(0.5)
            mbot2.servo_set(65, "S1")
            time.sleep(0.5)

```

## **Discussion**

### **1) Line follower Robot**

- 1.1 The weight balancing of a line follower should be towards the front a little bit so that the level of the infrared sensors stay the same, meaning that the received signal will be more stable, resulting in a more stable movement and
- 1.2 response from the robot. Also we cannot balance the weight too much towards the front because the rear wheels will lose traction and therefore the robot loses control.
- 1.3 By putting the infrared sensor of the line follower robot closer to each other, we will have more conditions to work with as there will be scenarios that 2 sensors detect black. Because of that, it will be easier to tune the robot to be more stable.
- 1.4 Using only one caster wheel for the line follower robot will reduce the friction between the robot and the ground and also the robot can be tuned stable more easily compared to using two caster wheels.

### **2) Manual Robot**

- 2.1 The gripper should have more force and be made with a material that has more coefficient of friction so it can lift something heavier and more stable.
- 2.2 Add more joints to the gripper's arm to make it move more freely. And with the gripper has more force and coefficient of friction it won't fall down but it mustn't move too far because the center of mass will change and maybe it will flop down.
- 2.3 By moving the board behind the gripper and the catapult a little bit further, the gripper will have more space to move to the back to have more angle and the ball can fall down to the catapult easier.

## **Future works**

- 1) Try to make 2 cars more beautiful, precise and neat with another material.
- 2) Increase the distance the catapult can throw.
- 3) Make the gripper hold more weight.
- 4) Make the Line follower robot not only follow black lines but also every colour lines.

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- Research and discussion
- Ideate the design
- Draw the prototype design
- Draw the final design
- Assembly drawing of the robot
- Draw the circuit diagram
- Draw flowchart
- Implement the robot
- Code the program

For Manual robot :(7%)

- Ideate the concept of catapult launcher with DC motor
- Design the catapult launcher arm
- Calculate the velocity of catapult launcher and range
- Draw the back slope design for the transmission of the ball to the catapult
- Hardware maintenance

Presentation(4%)

- Document the presentation.
- Record the testing video

Report(4%)

- Document the report

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- Draw the gripper design.
- Design the prototype of launcher
- Hardware maintenance
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- Draw the back slope design for the transmission of the ball to the catapult
- Hardware maintenance

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