



**Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering
Major Project Presentation**

**DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUBMERSIBLE DRONE FOR
UNDERWATER IMAGING**

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Introduction:

Most of the marine life is dying today, or is dead. The pollution is increasing day by day. A large portion of our waterbody is full of wastes. Most of the small fishes **use corals as their habitats.** To tackle this predicament **active monitoring of aquatic life is imperative.** Corals are dying around the world due to Coral Mining, Climate change and other abusive actions by human.

Small remotely controlled underwater vehicles can be utilised to **carry equipment like cameras and sensors** to the habitat of the fishes, corals and other marine life **to monitor and generate reports on the status of the lifeforms** and track the deterioration if needed.



Types of Corals

Brain Coral



Branch Corals



Paly Coral



Acropora coral



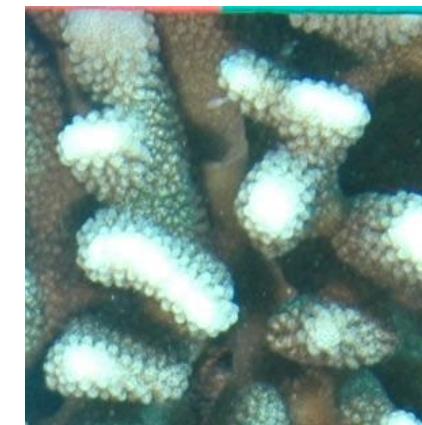
Favid Coral



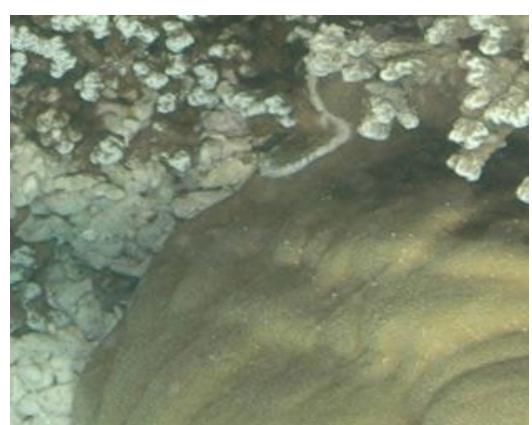
Pavona coral



Pocillopora coral



Porites coral



Literature survey:

S.no.	Title	Journal / Conference	Major Observations
1	Autonomous under water vehicles : Recent development and future prospect	International journal for research in applied science and engineering technology	Summarise the development of AUV in India and tends to focus on future developments
2	Design and fabrication of a prototype submarine using Archimedes principle	3rd international conference of informatics , electronics and vision 2014	Design of propulsion ,diving system and efficient power system
3	Development of advanced lithium ion battery for underwater vehicle	2011 IEEE symposium on underwater technology	Lithium ion rechargeable battery for deep underwater use
4	Imaging system for advanced underwater vehicles.	Journal of maritime research ,8(1):65-86	Underwater Image processing
5	Development of remotely operated submarine vehicle	2008 IEEE Europe ocean conference	Control system of depth to simplify the operators work and collect accurate data

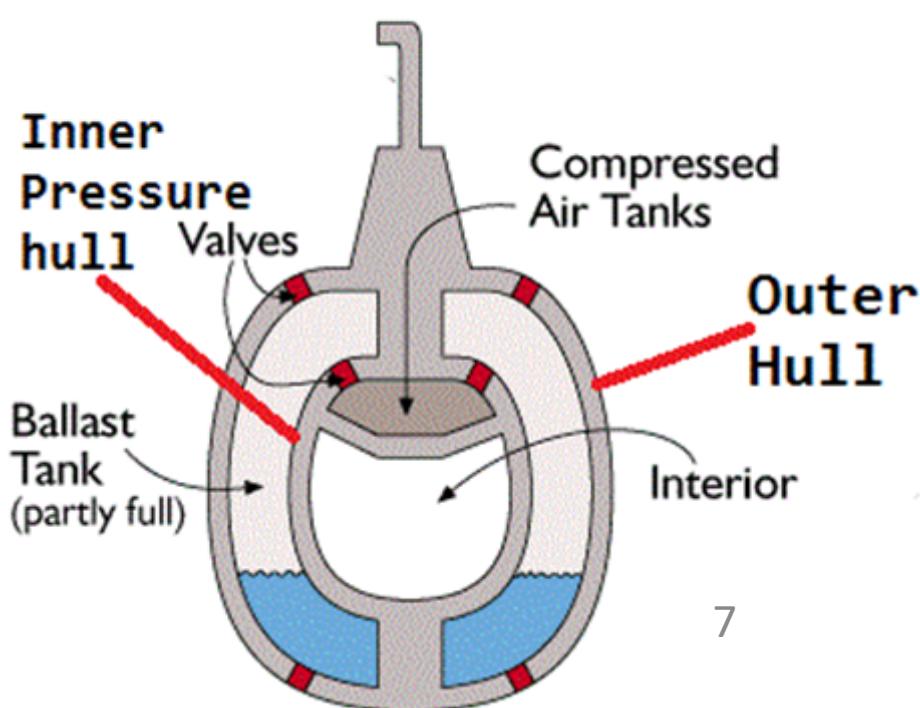
Motivation:

- Most ROV(remotely operated vehicle) available in the market are of vertical propeller type which **uses second propeller for the sole purpose of maintaining depth**. These ROV are **ballast free** and the lack of ballasts **hugely limit the air tight payload capacity** as buoyancy in these systems are a function of continuous power.
- However, the use of ballast tanks can change and hold the buoyancy passively without using anymore power after the required buoyancy is achieved. Thus **allowing for a larger payload** to be carried without losing any power for underwater hovering for long duration.

ROV WITH VERTICAL AXIS PROPELLER



SUBMARINE WITH BALLAST TANK





Problem Statement:

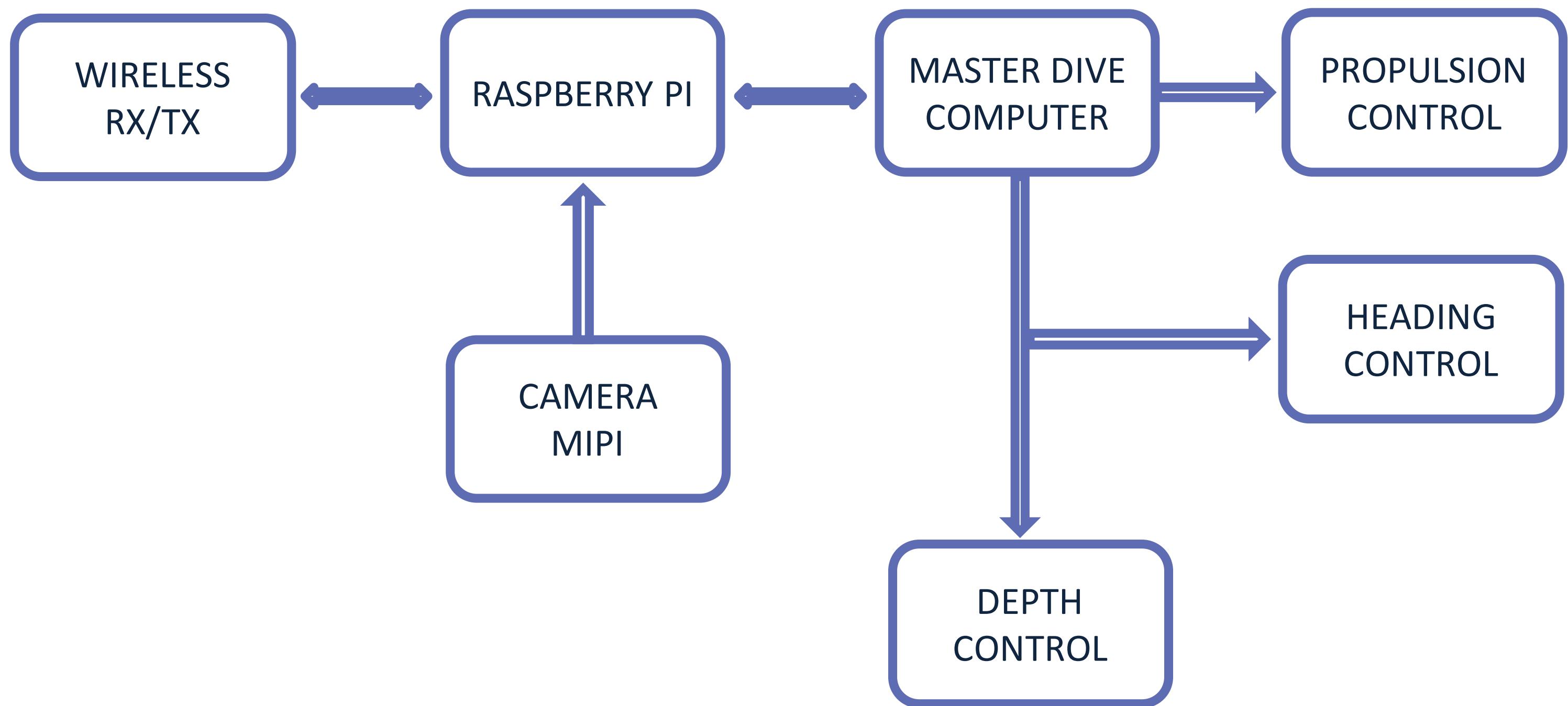
- To design , fabricate and test a wirelessly controlled submersible vehicle for real time underwater imaging of aquatic life .



Objectives:

1. Development of submersible drone.
2. Design and implementation of controller for propulsion.
3. Design and implementation of heading and depth controller.
4. Development and implementation of image processing system.
5. Design and integration of drive system for motor.

Methodology:



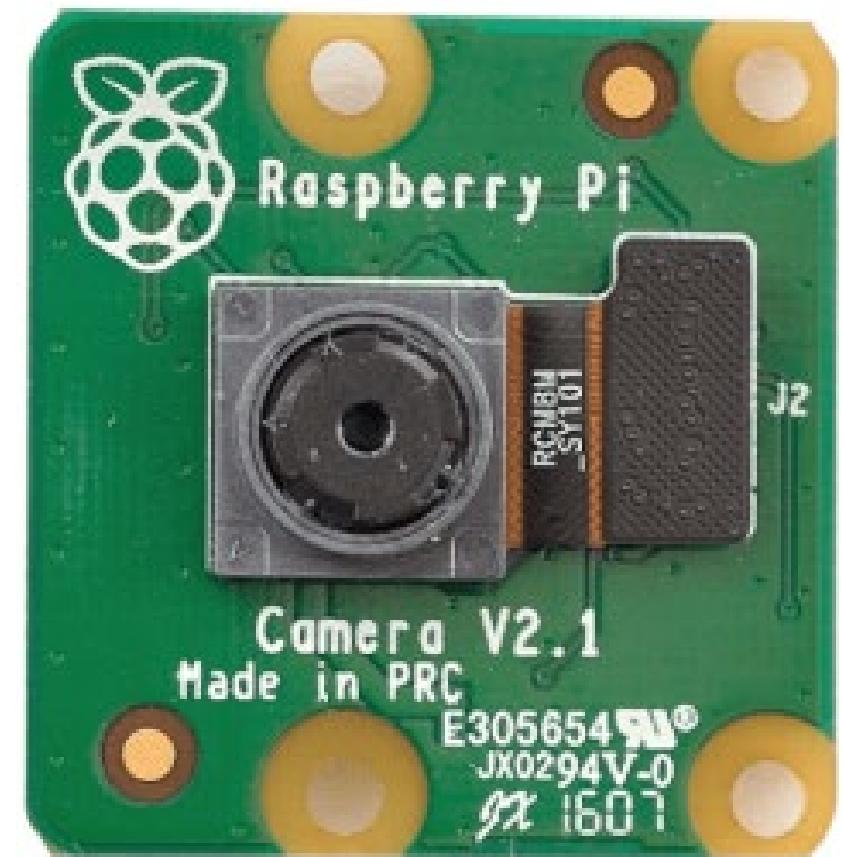
WIRELESS RX/TX

- FPV (First Person View) unit is used for wireless controlling of the submarine.
- The video feed is broadcasted across on **2.4GHz** bands of Raspberry pi's wifi while control operations will be broadcasted over 2.4 GHz NRF Module.



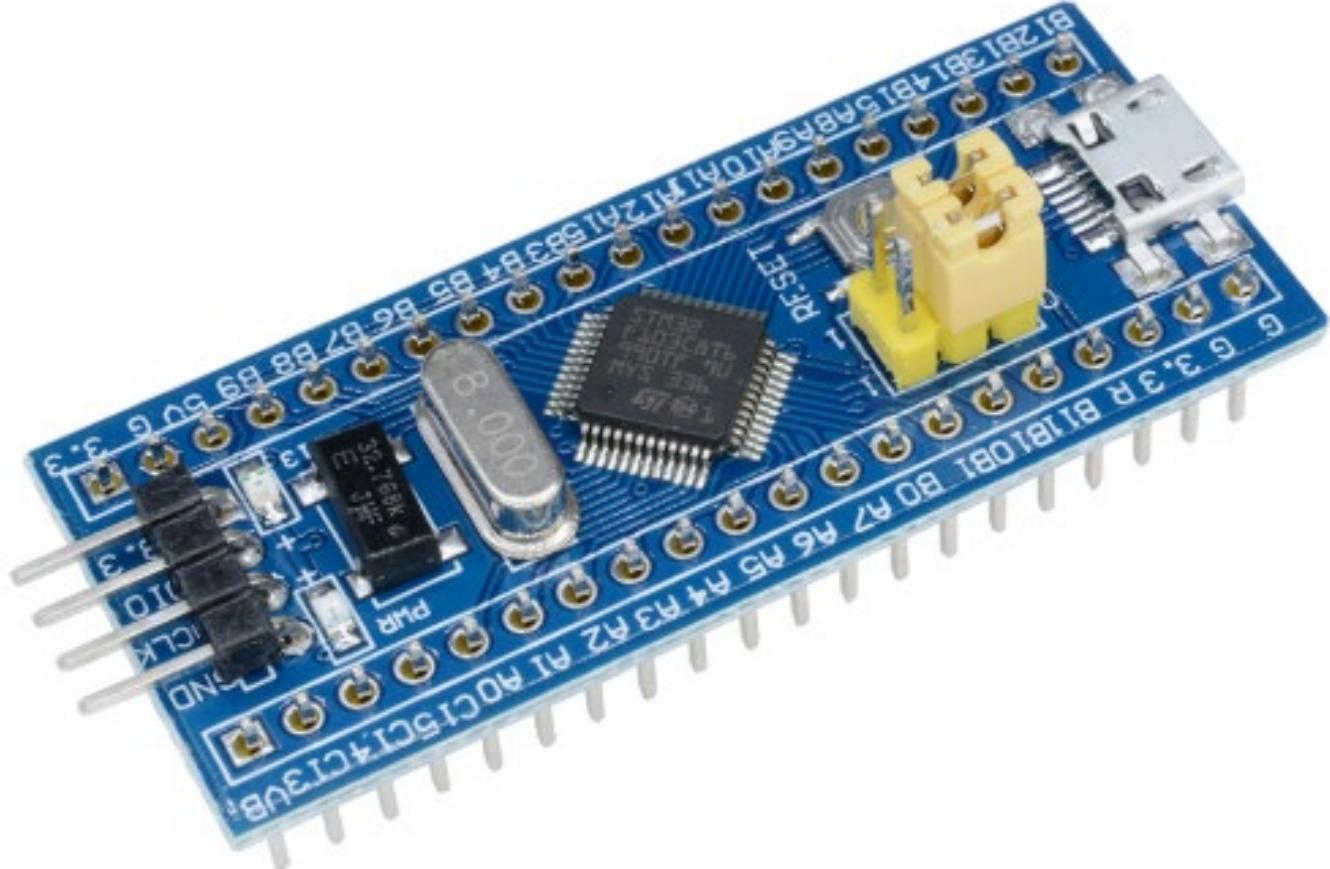
RASPBERRY PI

- This is used as an interface for communication of the **Camera Module** and the **Master Dive Computer**.
- A Raspberry Pi is a **Single Board Computer(SBC)** capable of running an operating system.
- The **SBC** is also capable of interfacing over the USB and other various networking protocols
- The device boast a **4 core processor** and **4 Gigabyte** of Random Access Memory.
- The camera is connected over the **MIPI(mobile industry processor interface)**. The camera is at least FullHD Capable and will carry flashlight with it.



Master Dive Controller

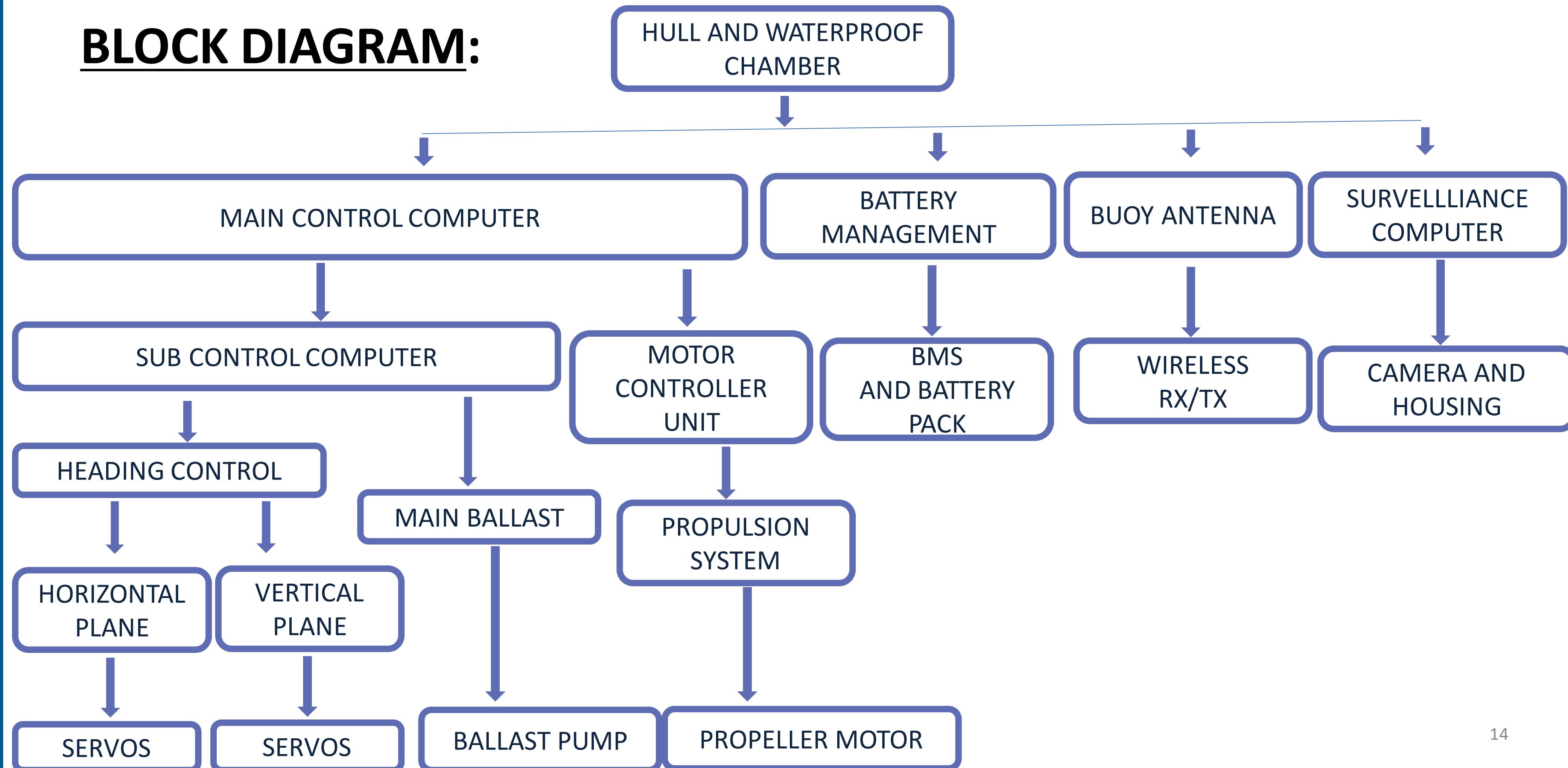
- Master dive controller sends and receives signals from propulsion, depth and heading controllers.
- ATmega 328p chip is used as a master dive controller.
- 32KB flash memory, 2KB ram
- It runs on 16Mhz base clock.
- SPI enabled.
- Incorporates 10 bit ADC



Propulsion , heading and Depth controller.

- ATmega 328p chip serves as the propulsion controller.
- ATmega 328p is used for Heading and depth.
- These two controller receives signals from Master dive controller.

BLOCK DIAGRAM:

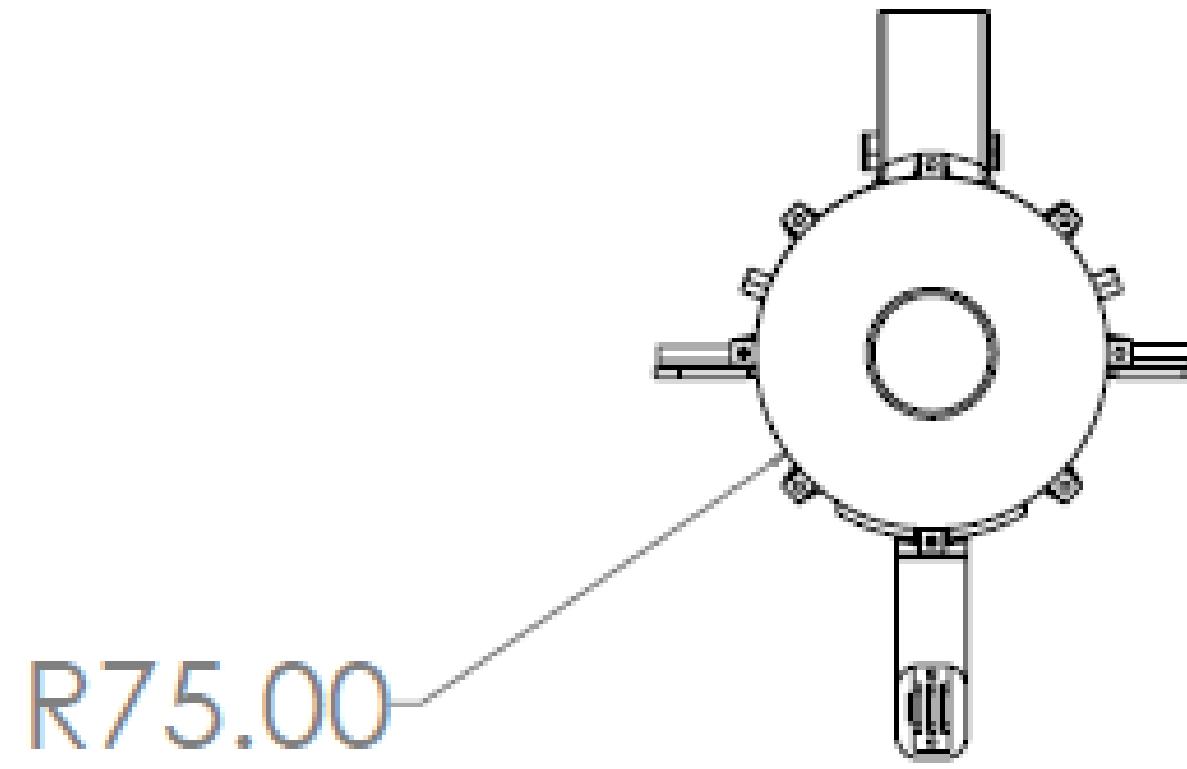




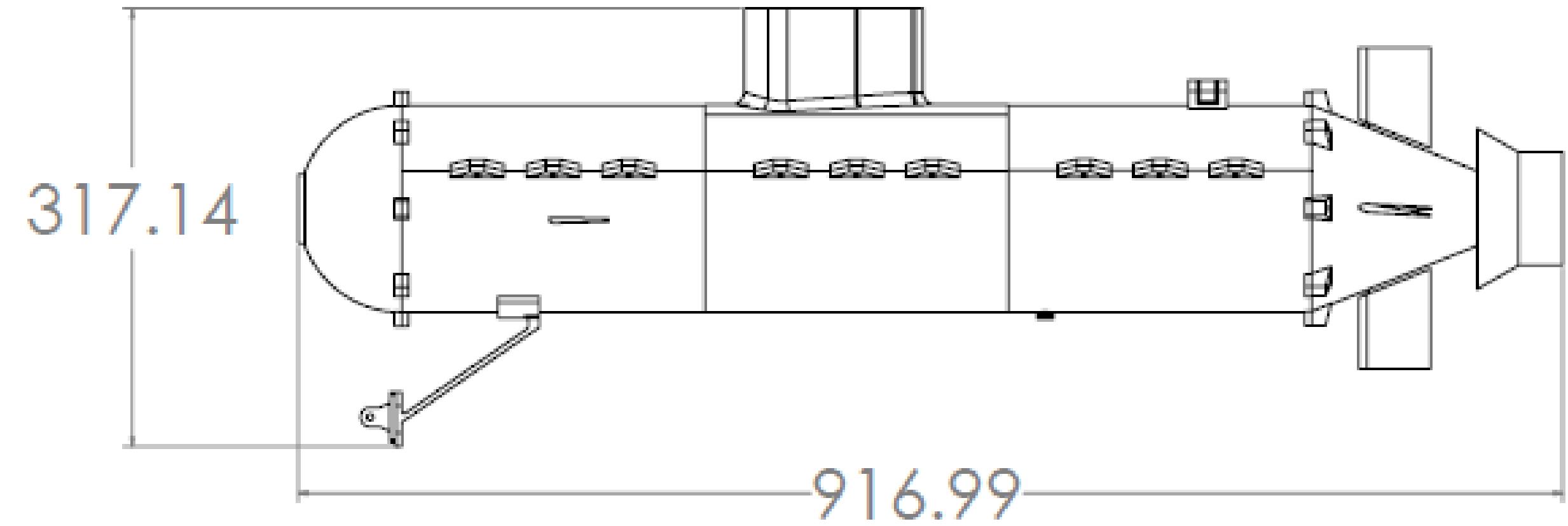
Development of submersible drone

1. All 3D Parts of this projects were designed using SolidWorks.
2. 3D Parts were sliced and printed in two printers – Ender 3 & Pramaan.

2D drawings of Submersible Drone with dimensions:



Front view



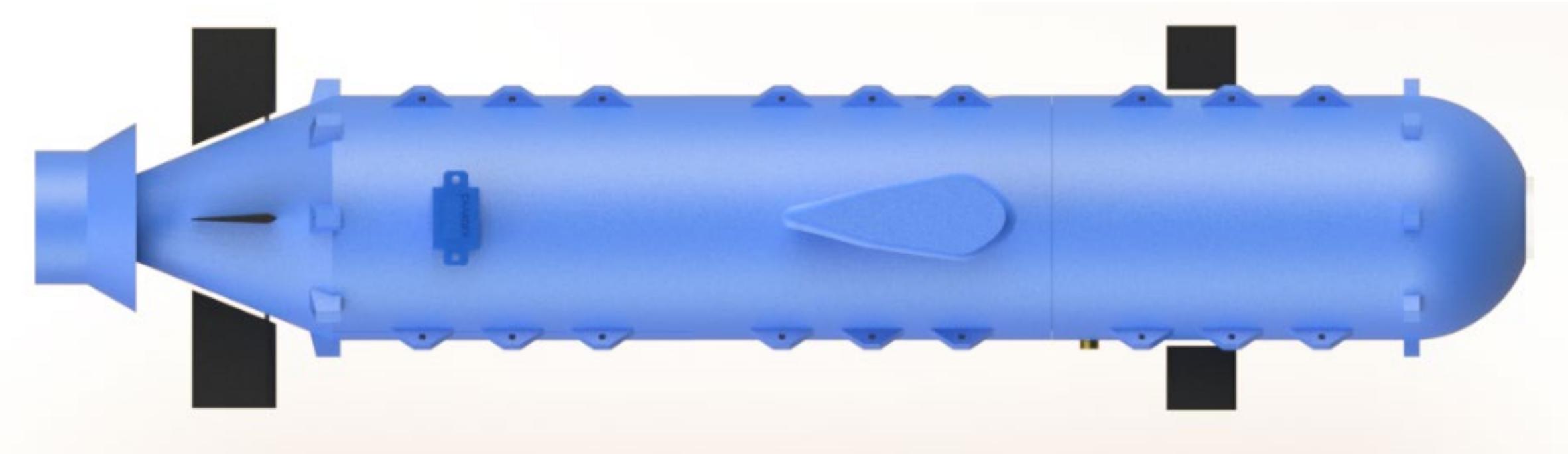
Side view

Design of Submersible drone

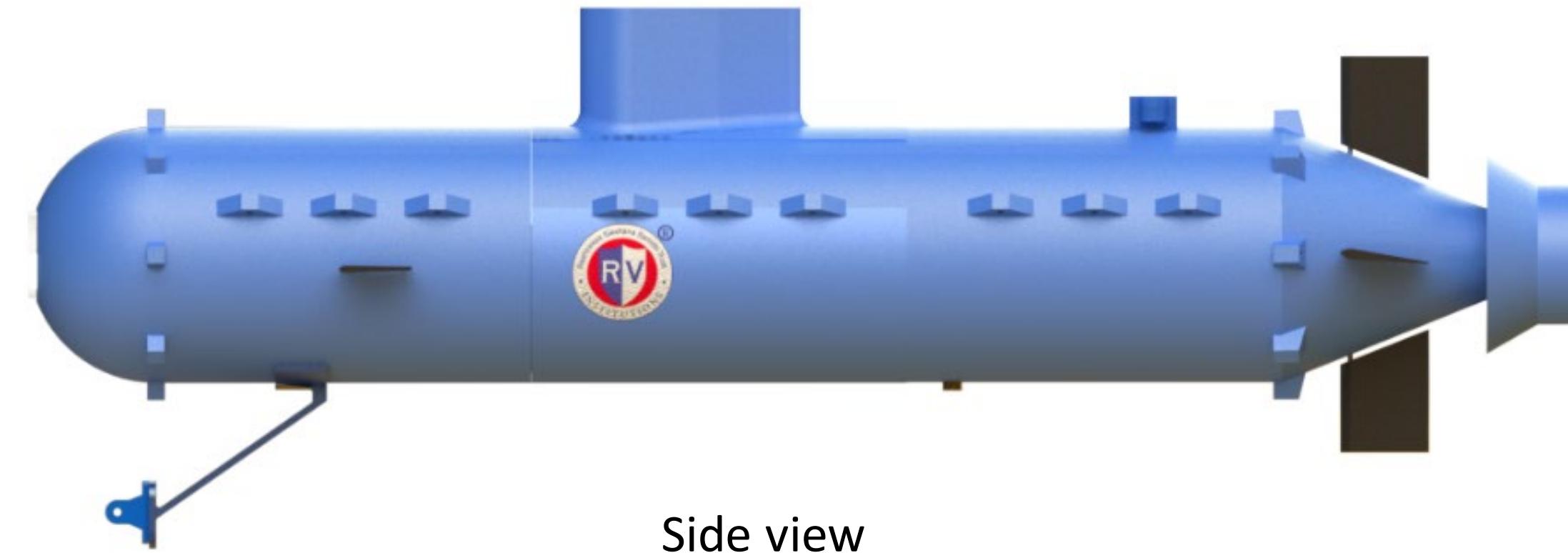


Isometric view

Design of Submersible drone

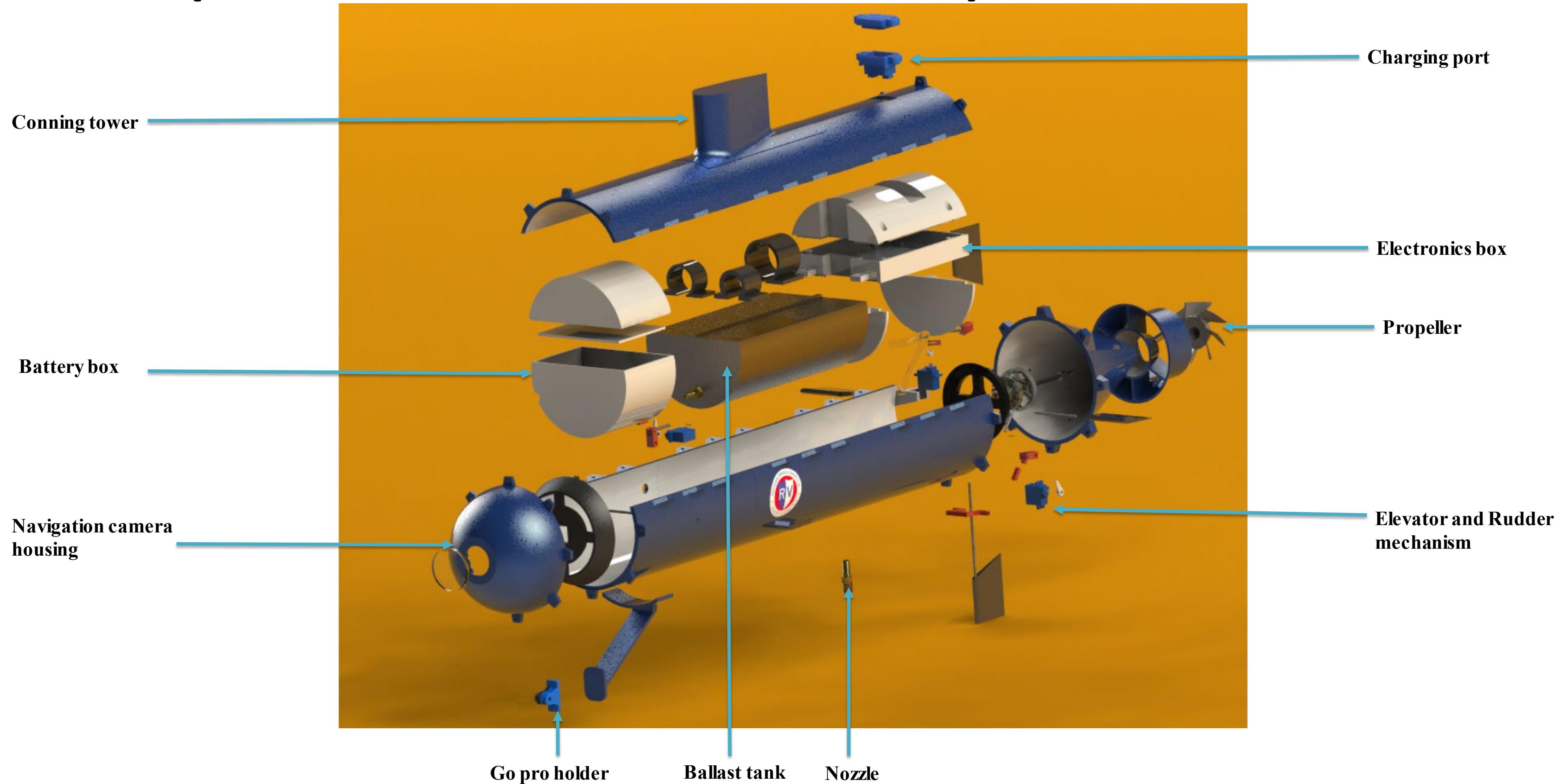


Top view

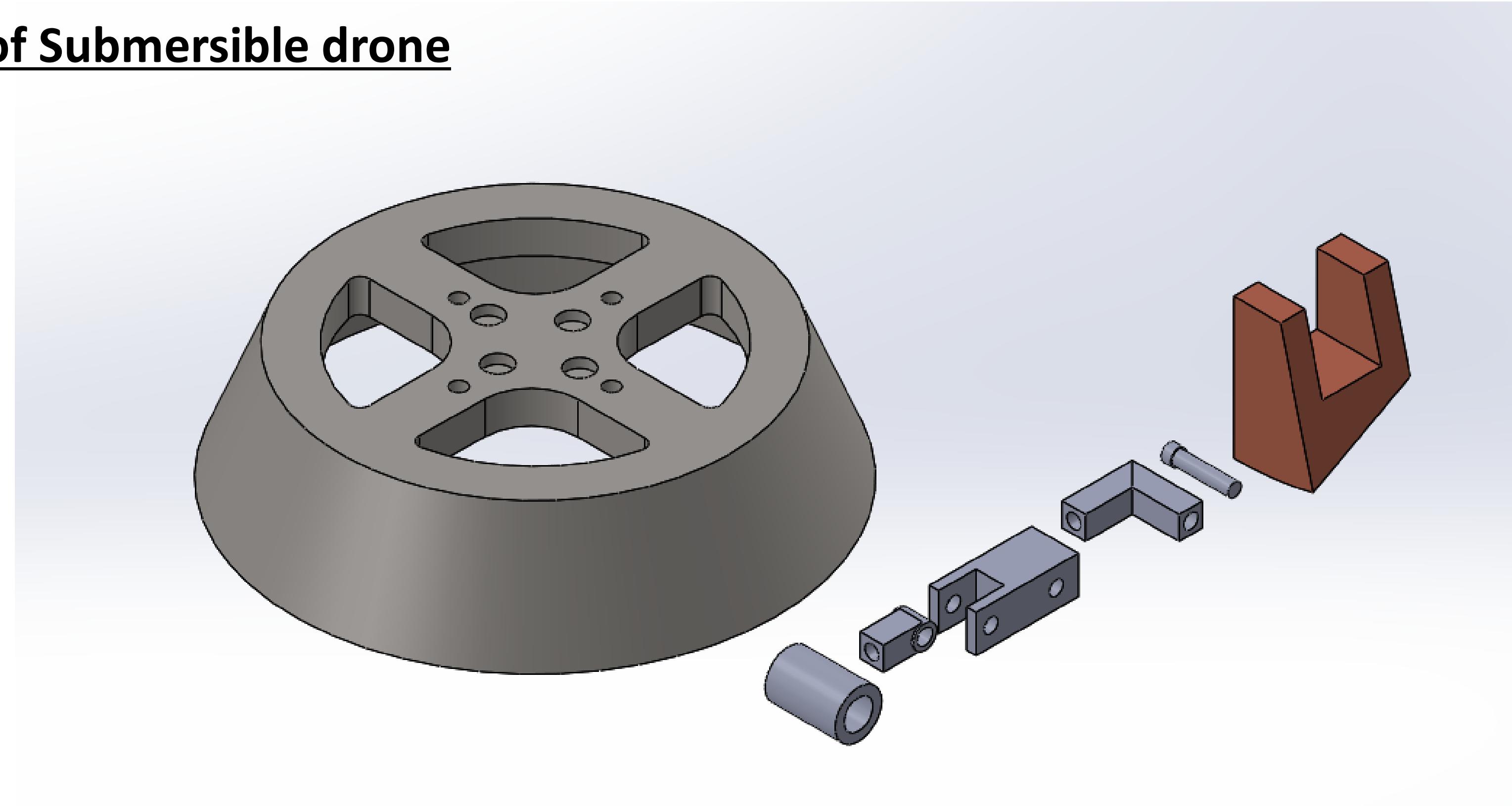


Side view

Development of submersible drone: Exploded view

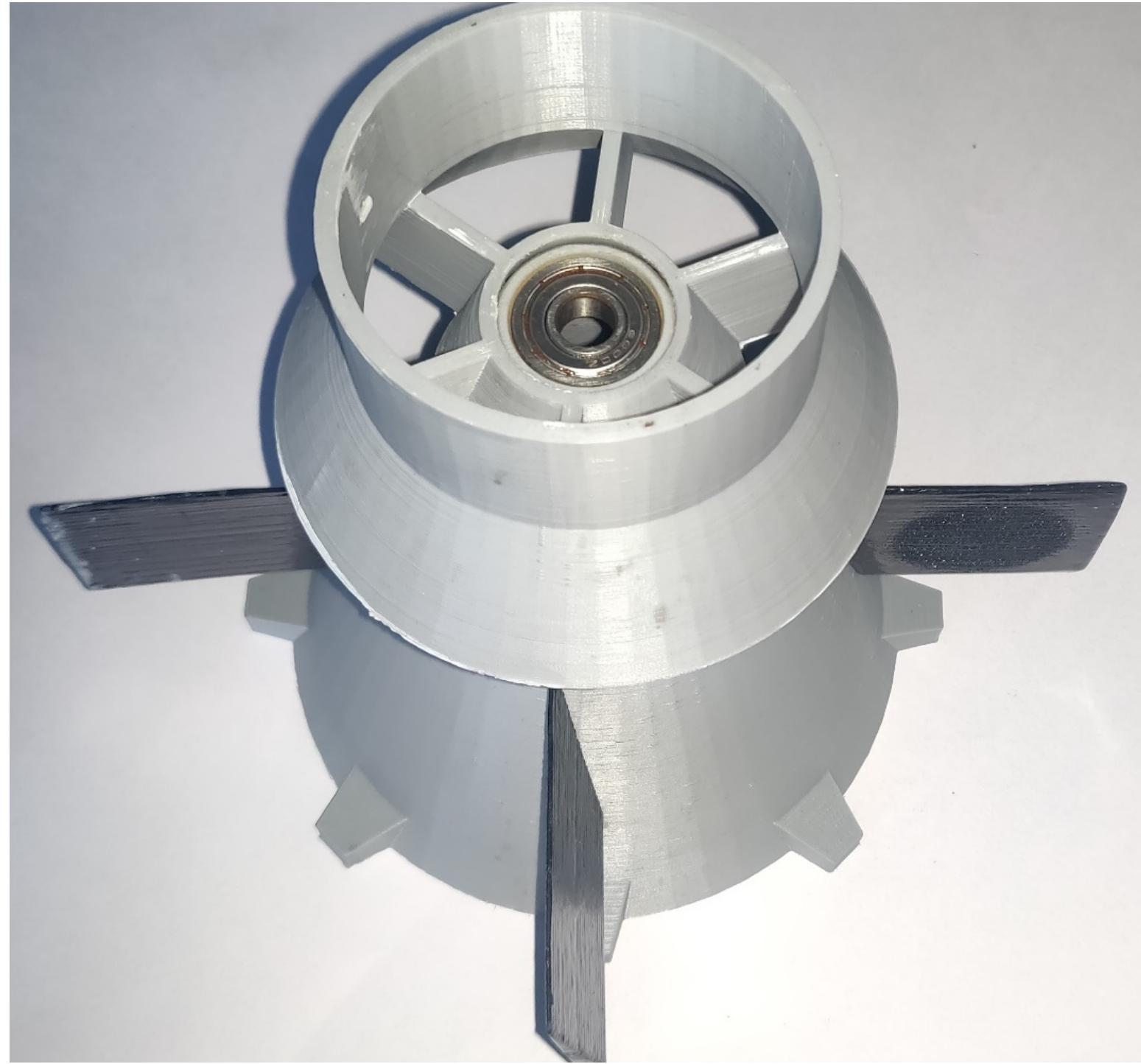


Design of Submersible drone

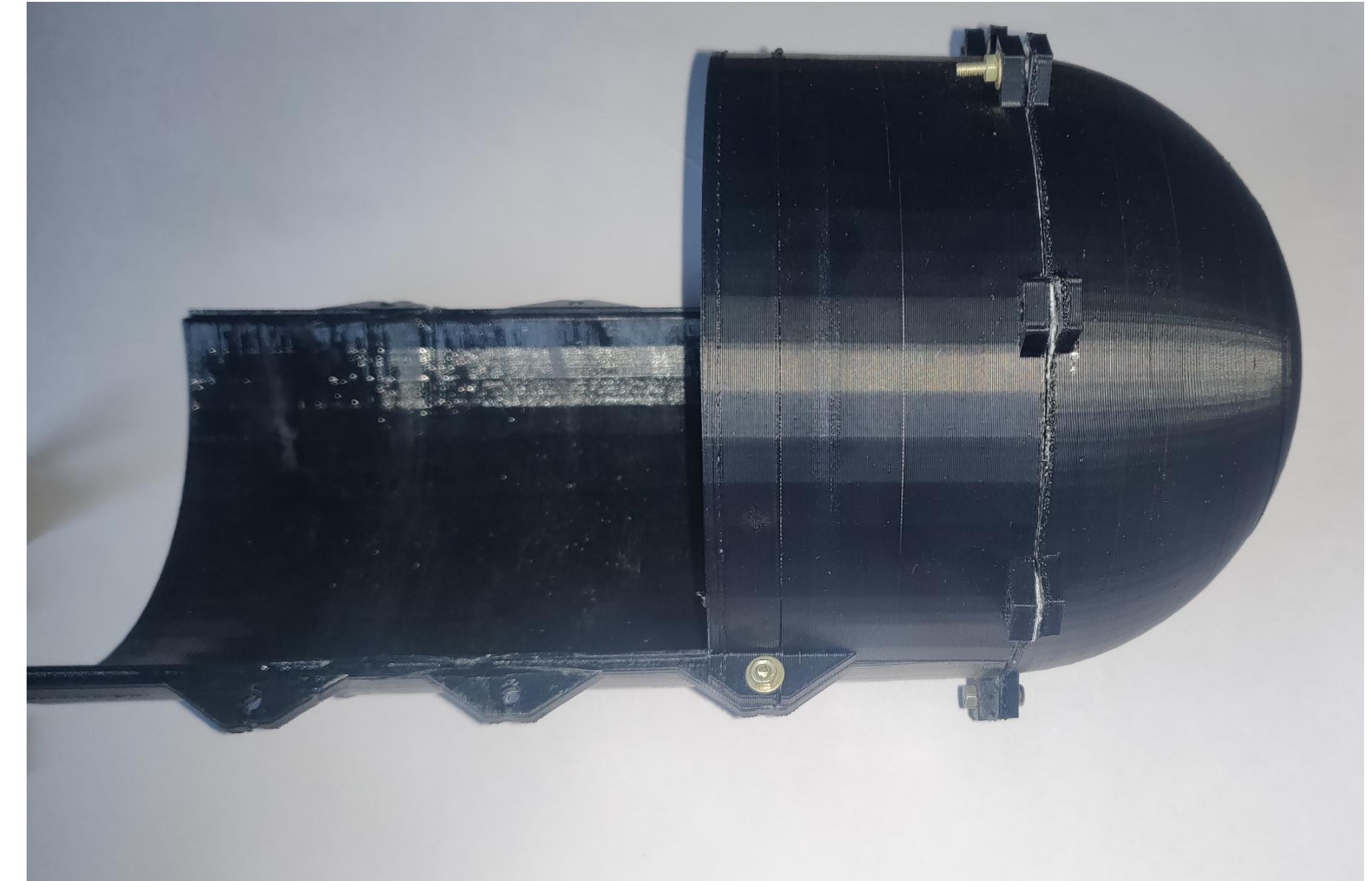


BLDC motor holder and Servo mechanism components

3D printed parts

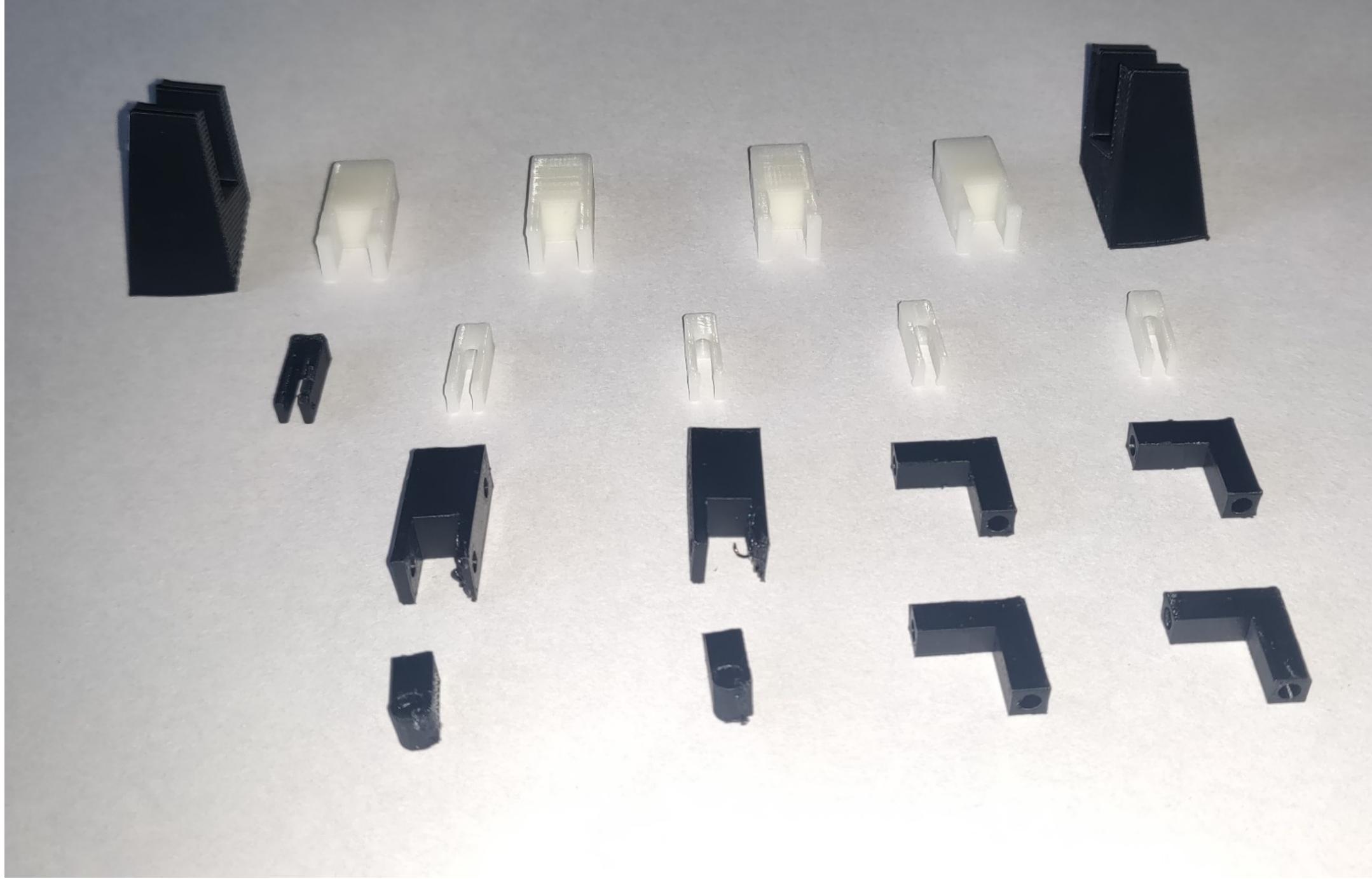


Stern cone with shroud and direction control



Aft dome and 1/3 Main Hull

3D printed parts



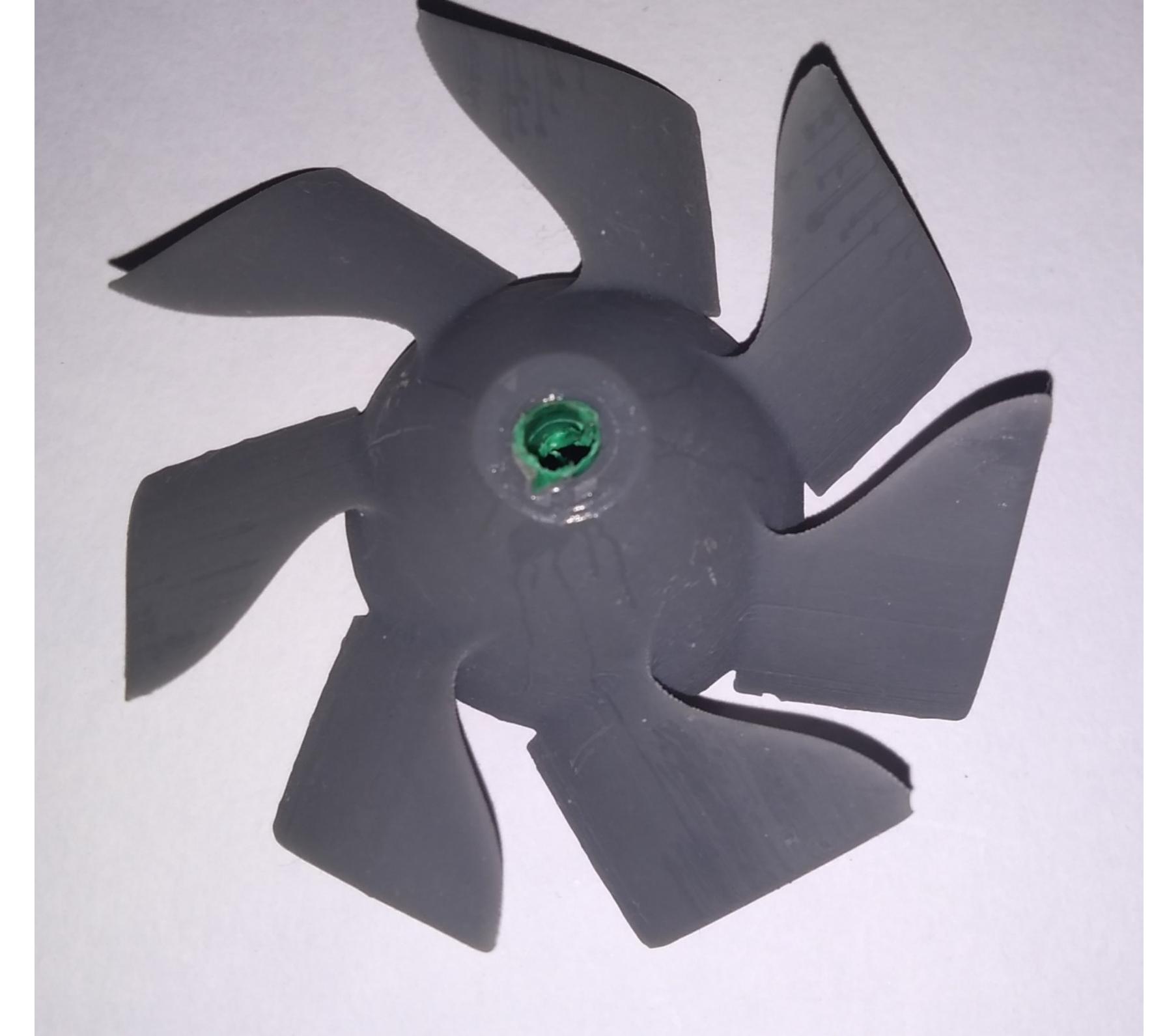
2 hours

3D printed parts

Propellers:

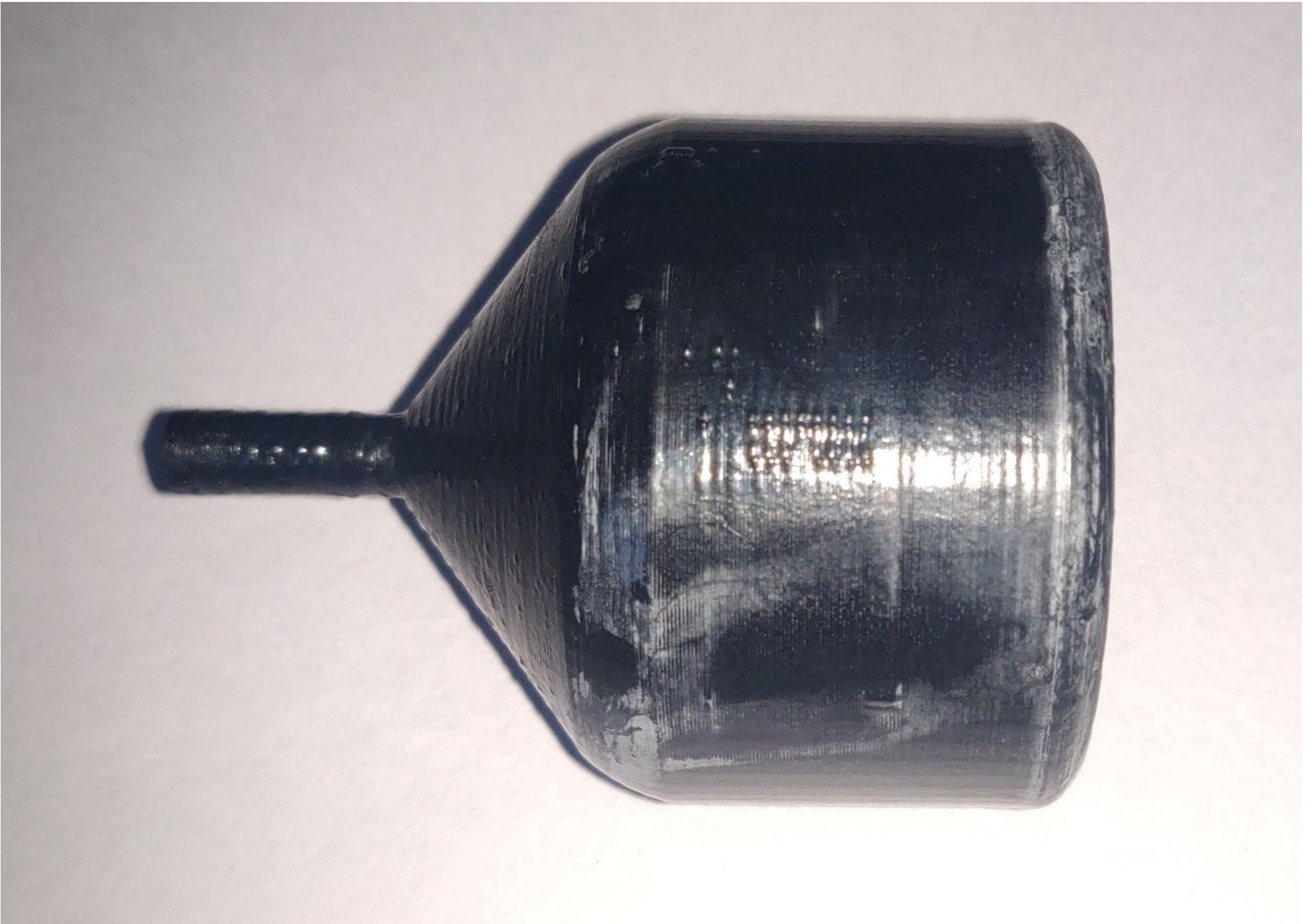


9 hours (FDM Process)



7 hours (SLA)

3D printed Test Ballast Tank:

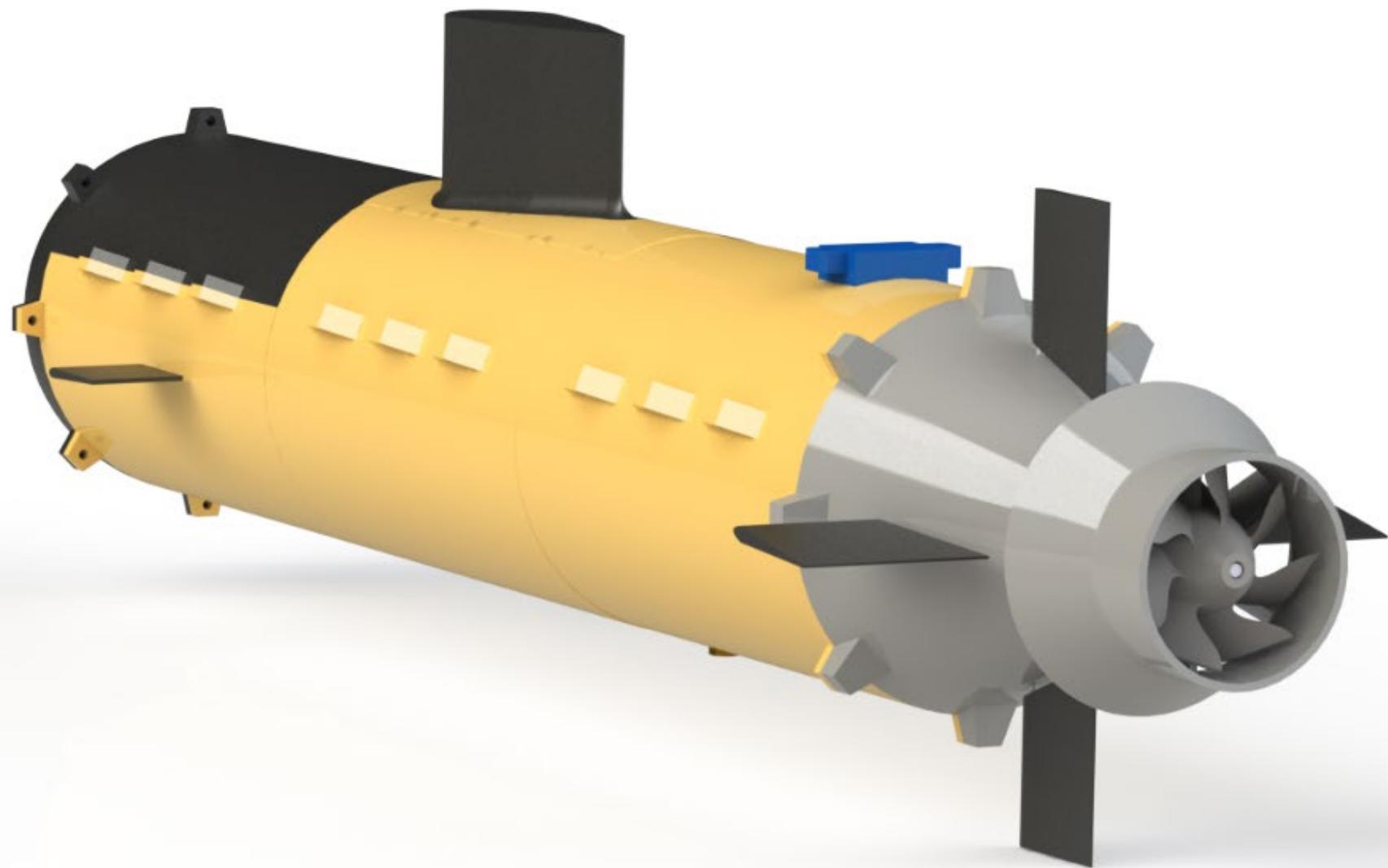


Time taken for printing: 5 hours

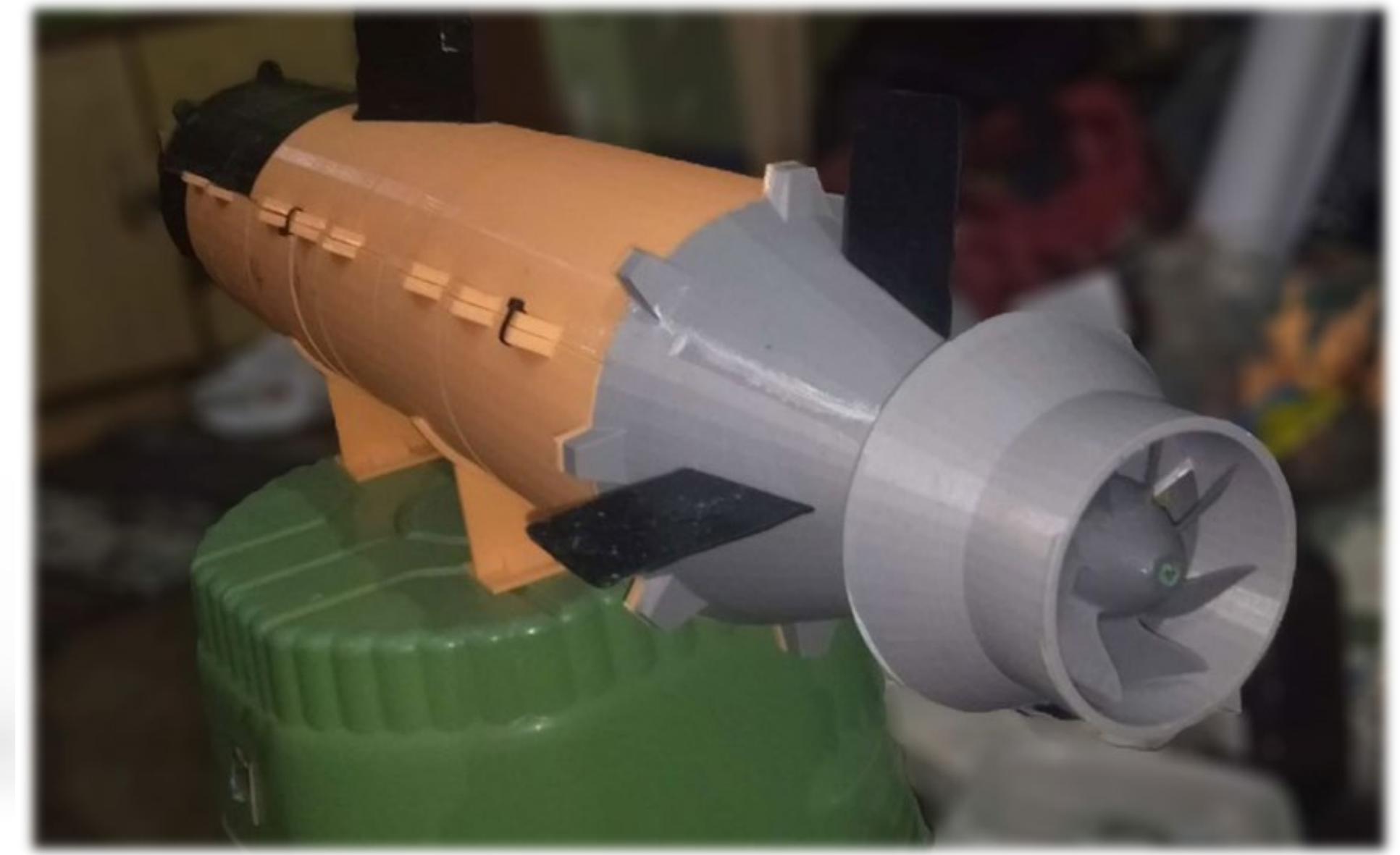
Stainless Steel Ballast Tank:



Mechanical structure:

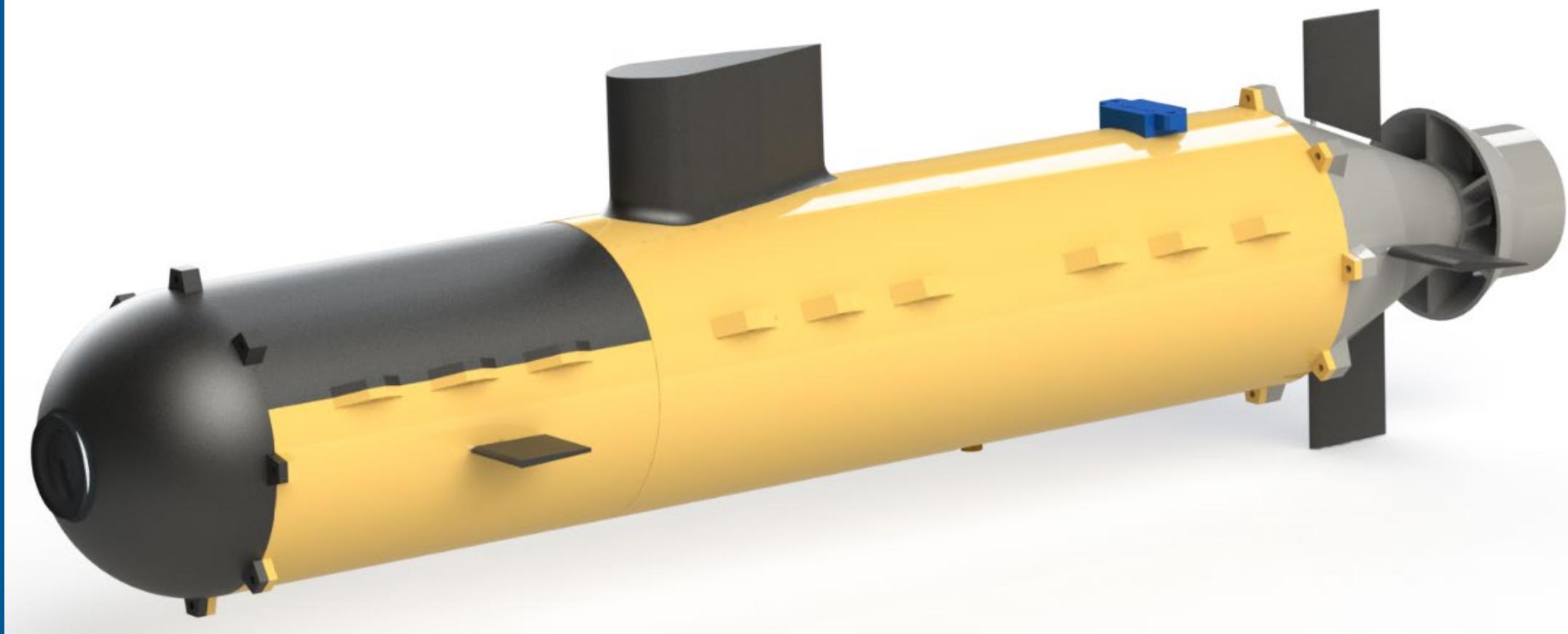


Model for reference



Actual 3d printed model

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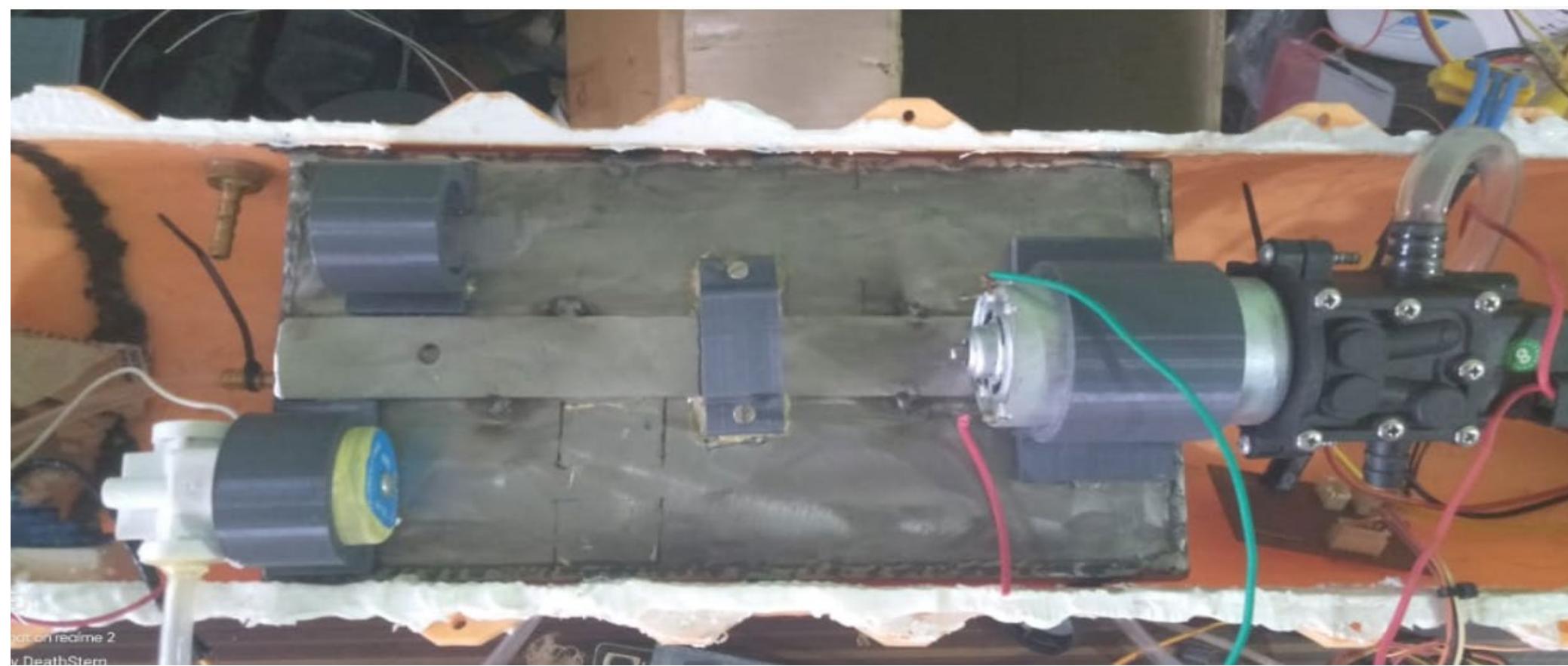
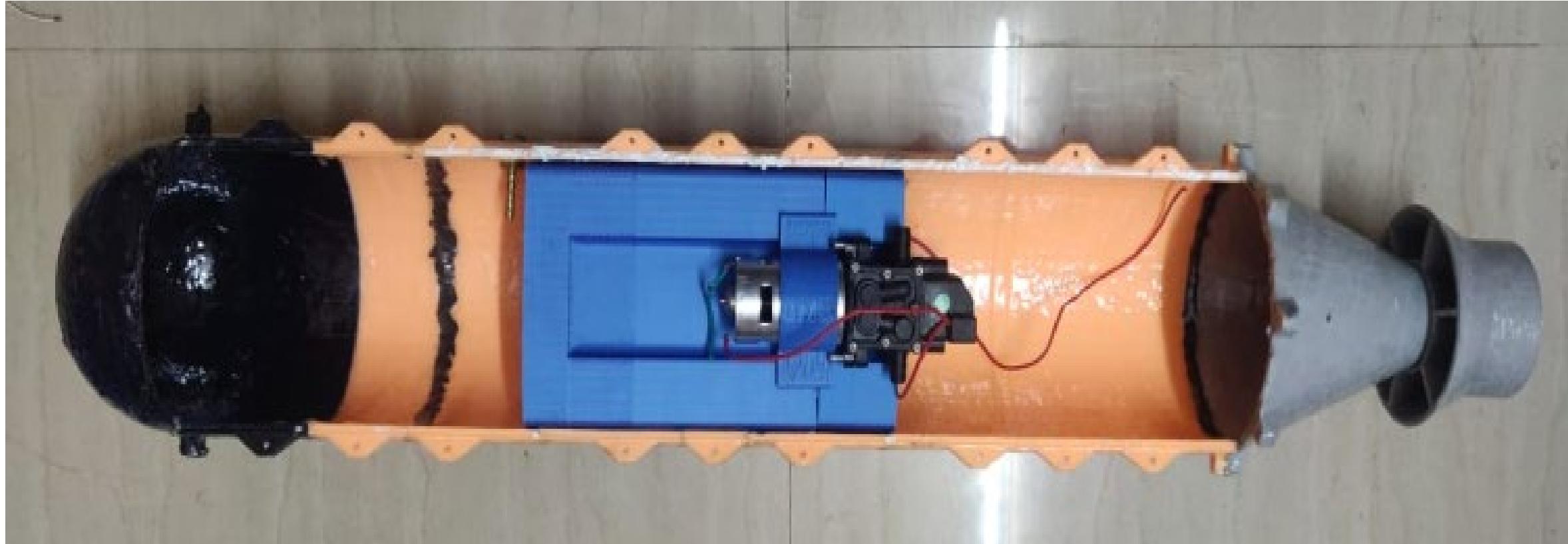


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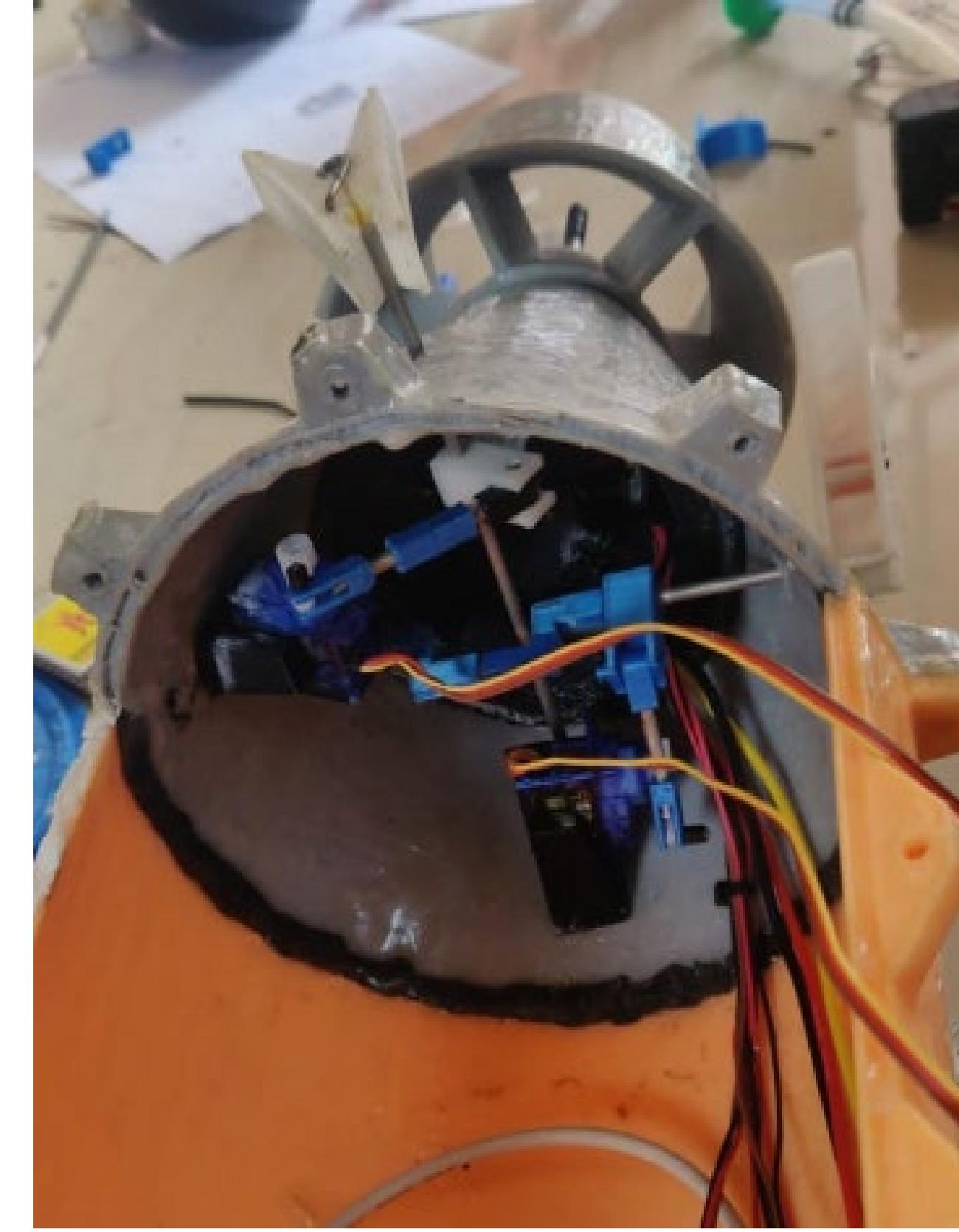


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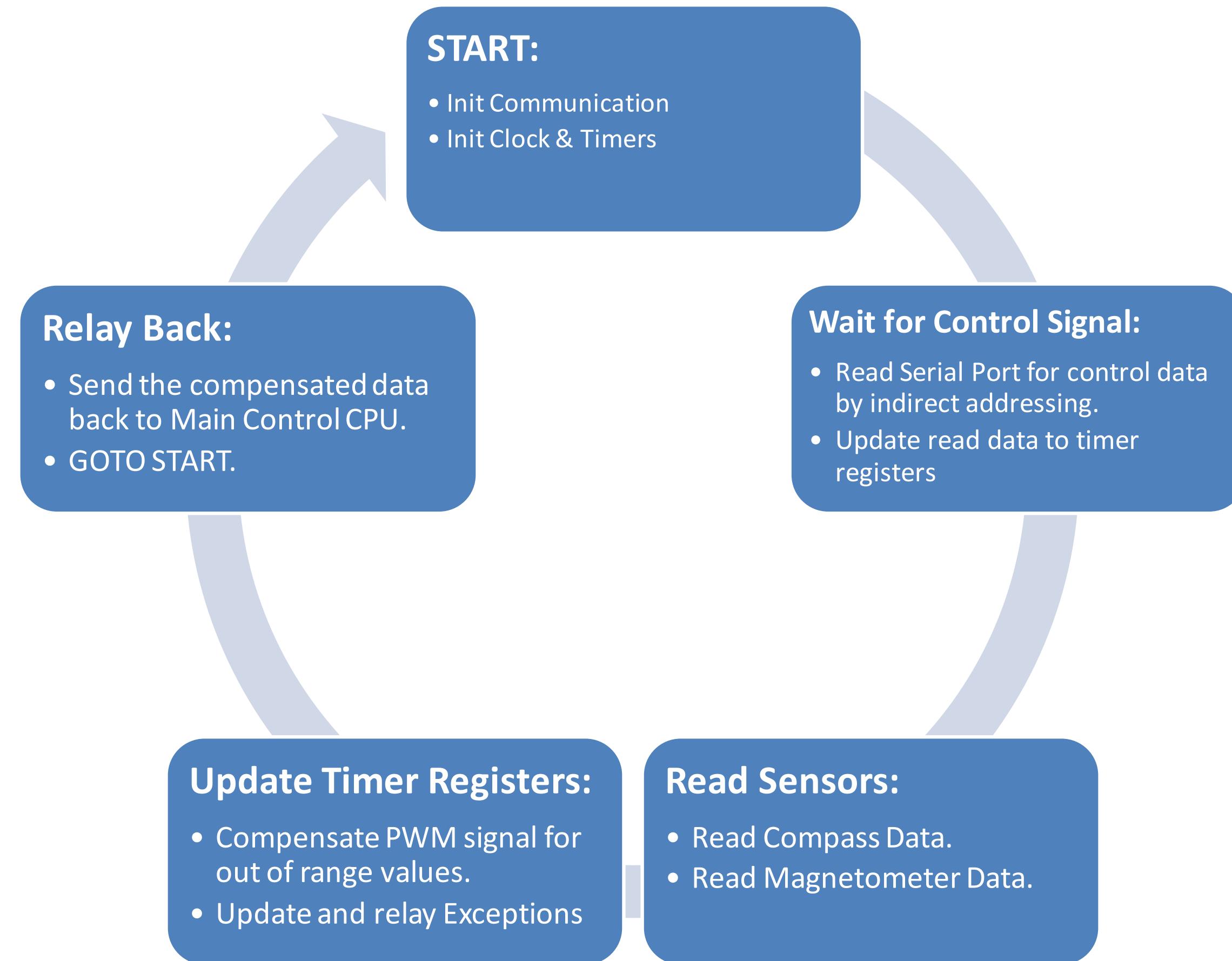
Ballast inside the Submarine hull:



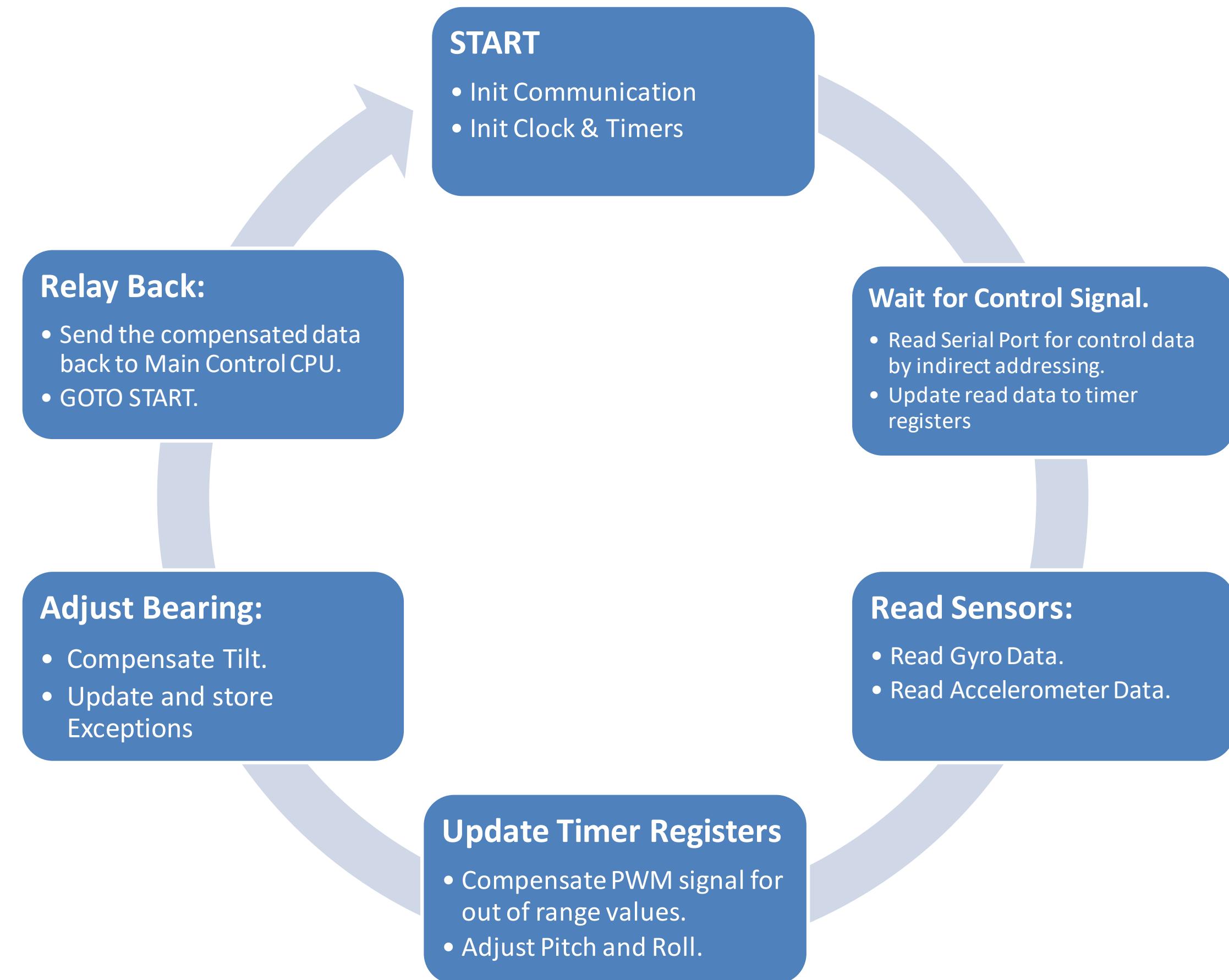
Implemented Rudder and Elevator Mechanism:



Design and implementation of controller for propulsion.



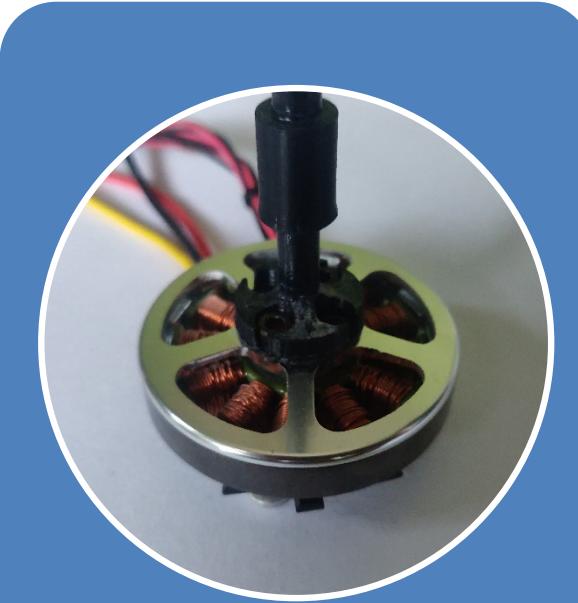
Design and implementation of heading and depth controller.



Design and integration of drive system for motor.



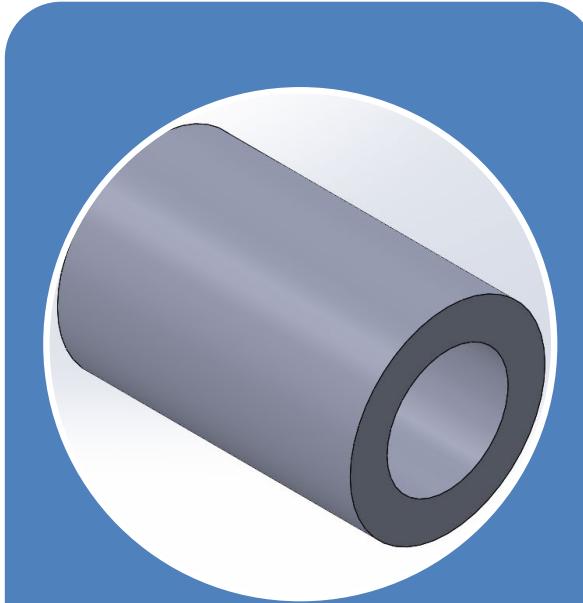
Hall
Encoder



Motor



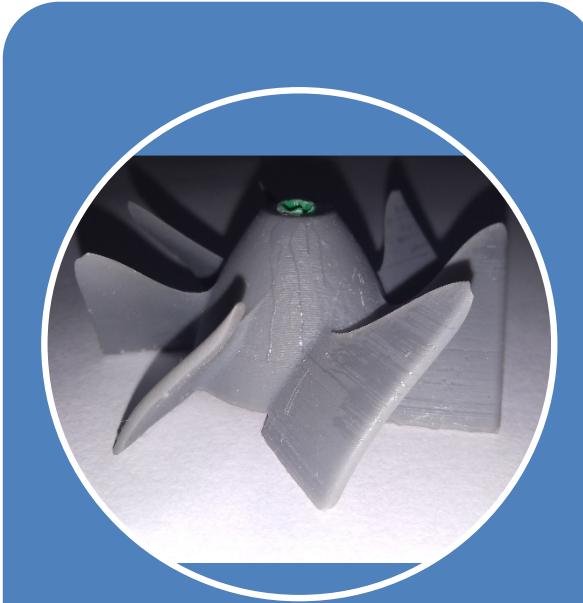
Drive
Shaft



Bearing
Support
Shaft

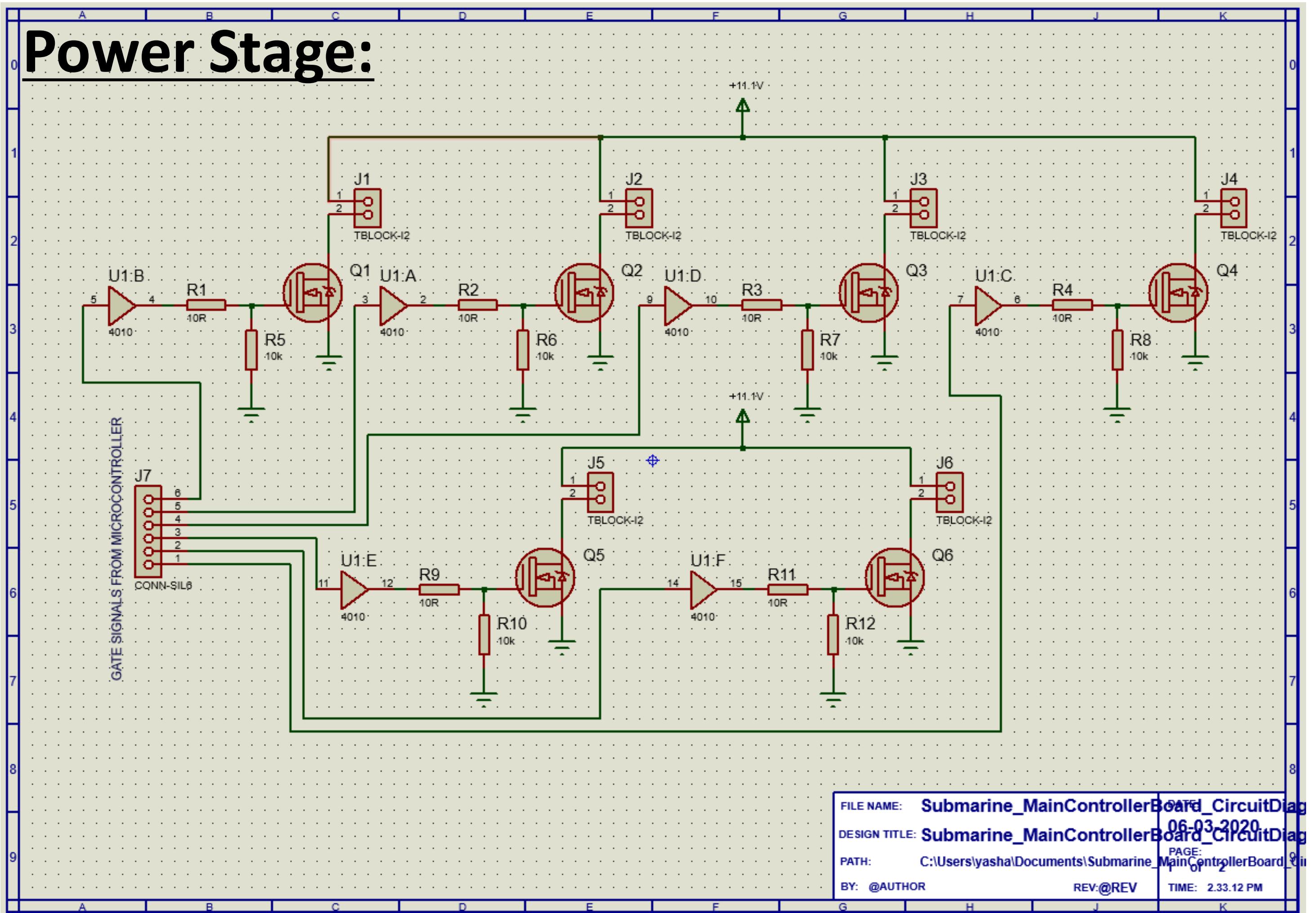


Bearings



Propeller
& Lock
Nut





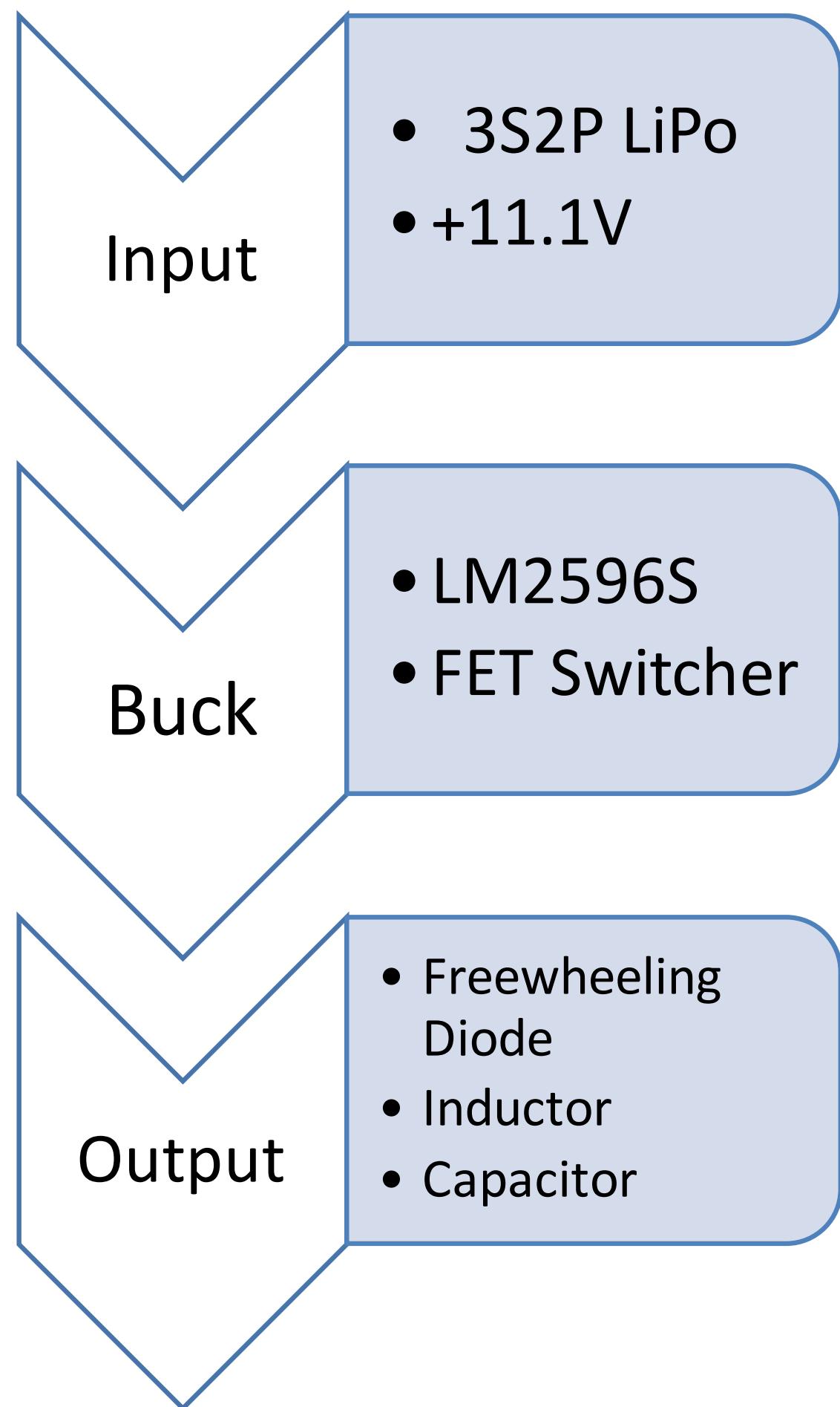
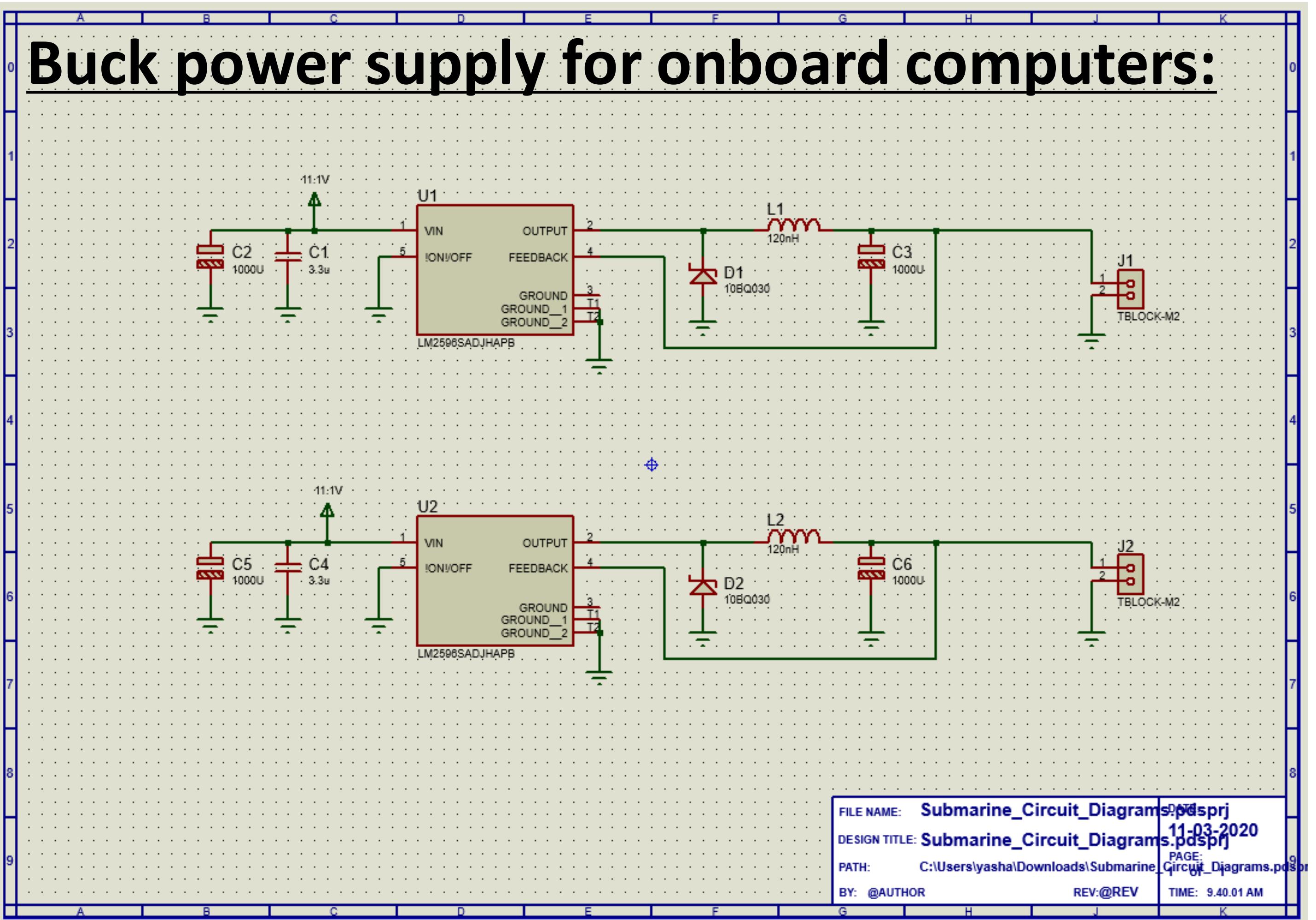
Power Rail

Terminal Blocks

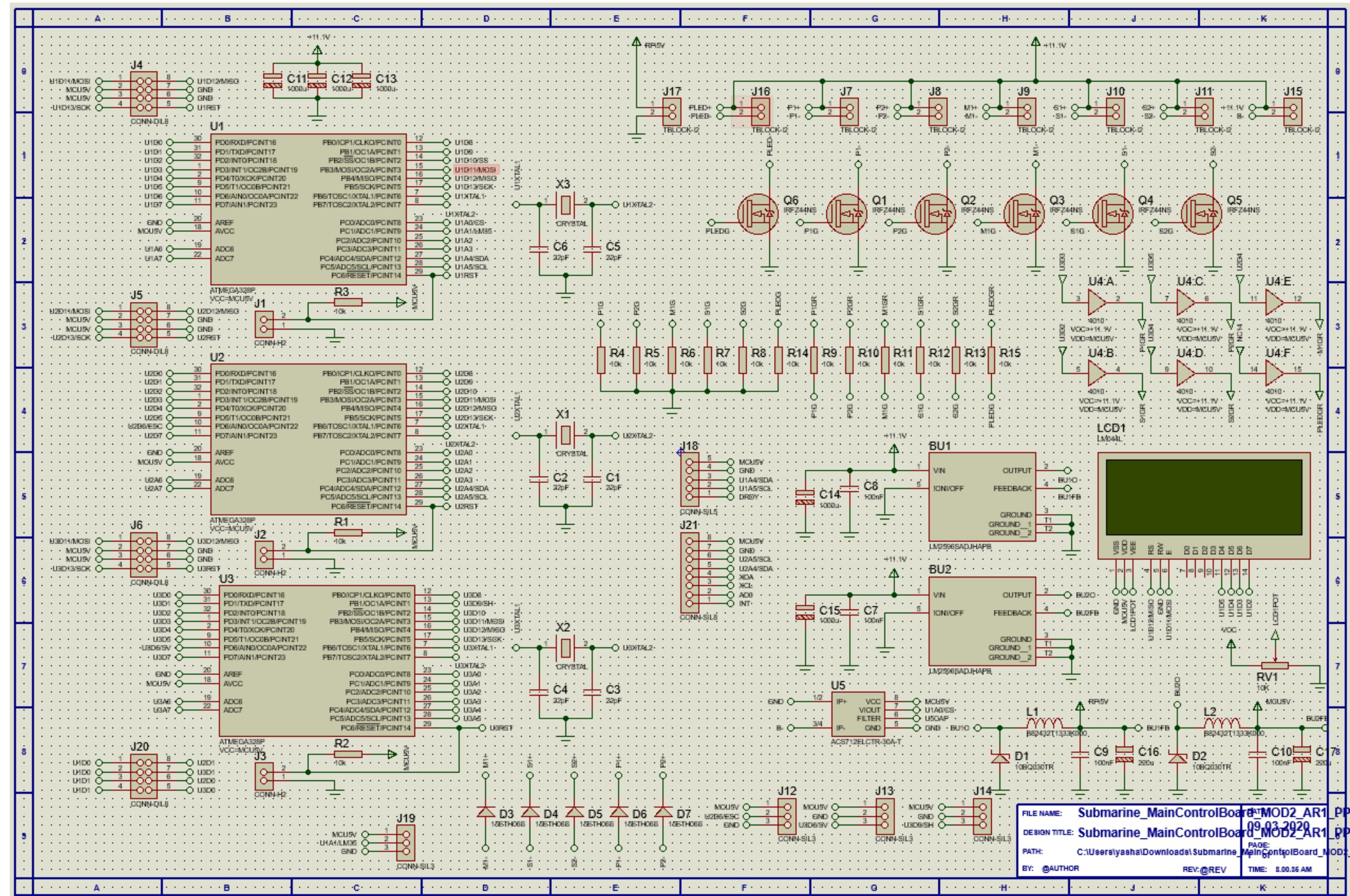
Chopper FETs

- Gate Resistors
- GS Bleeders
- Level Shifters

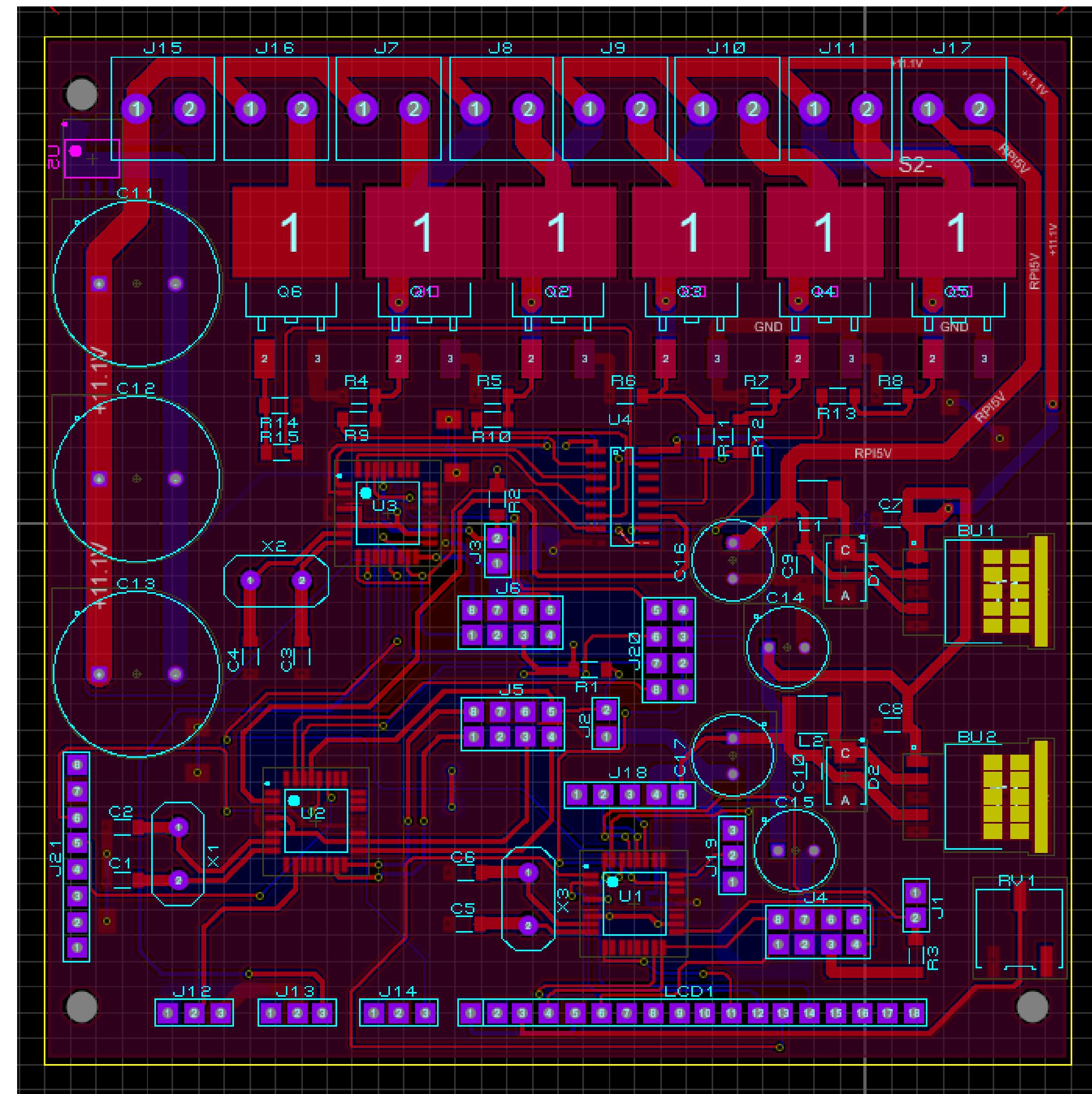
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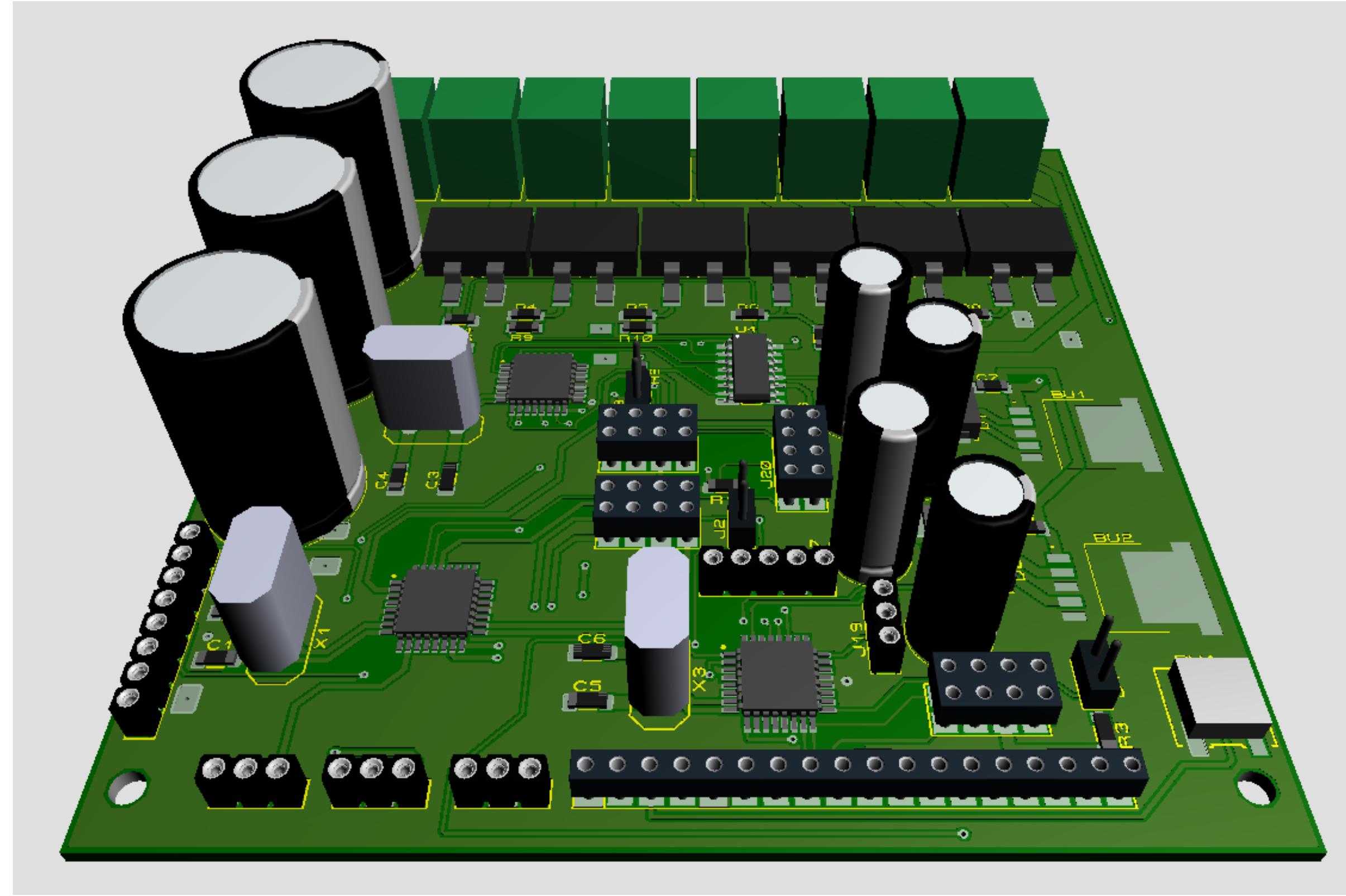
Schematic



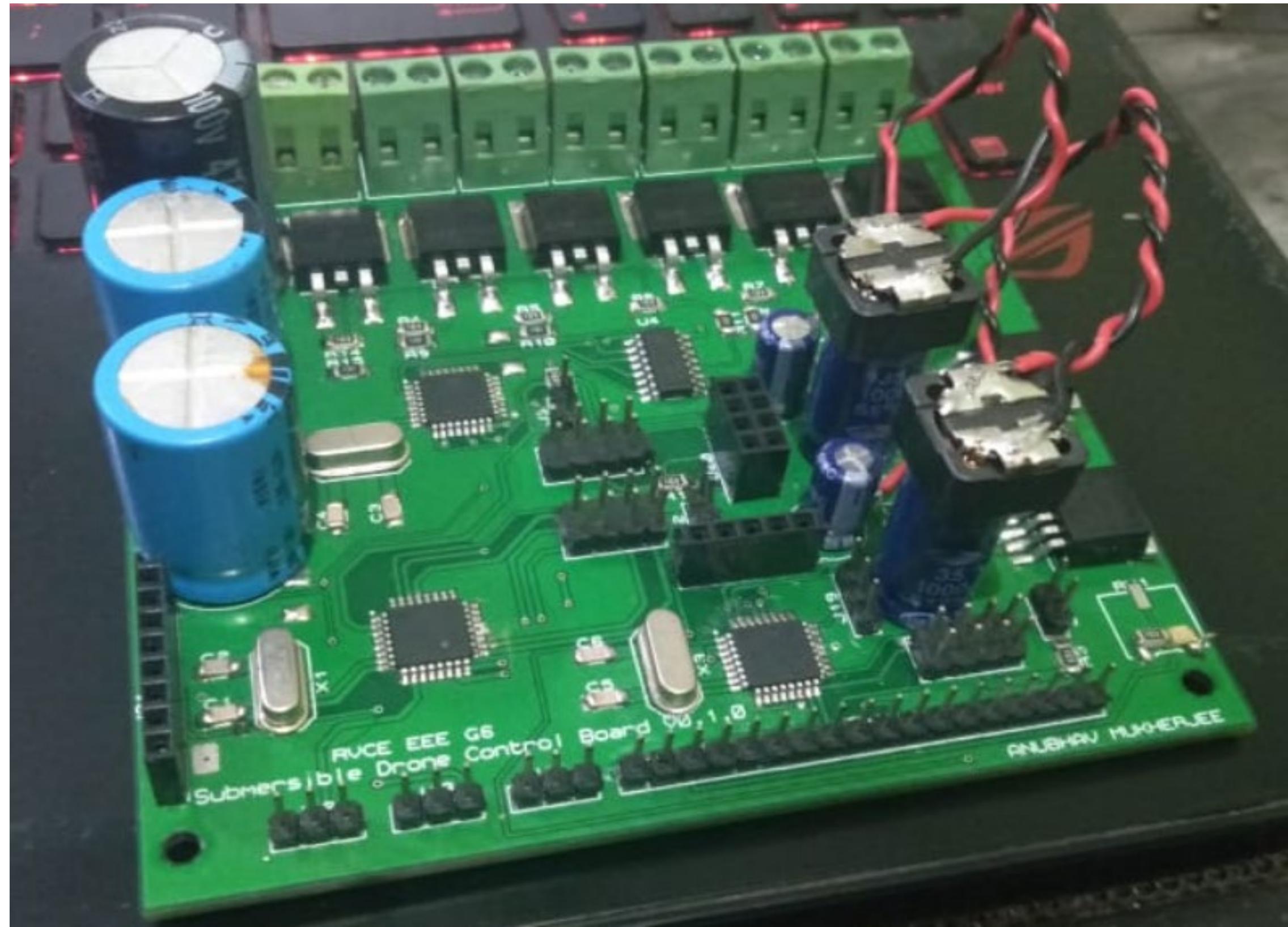
PCB layout:



3D View:



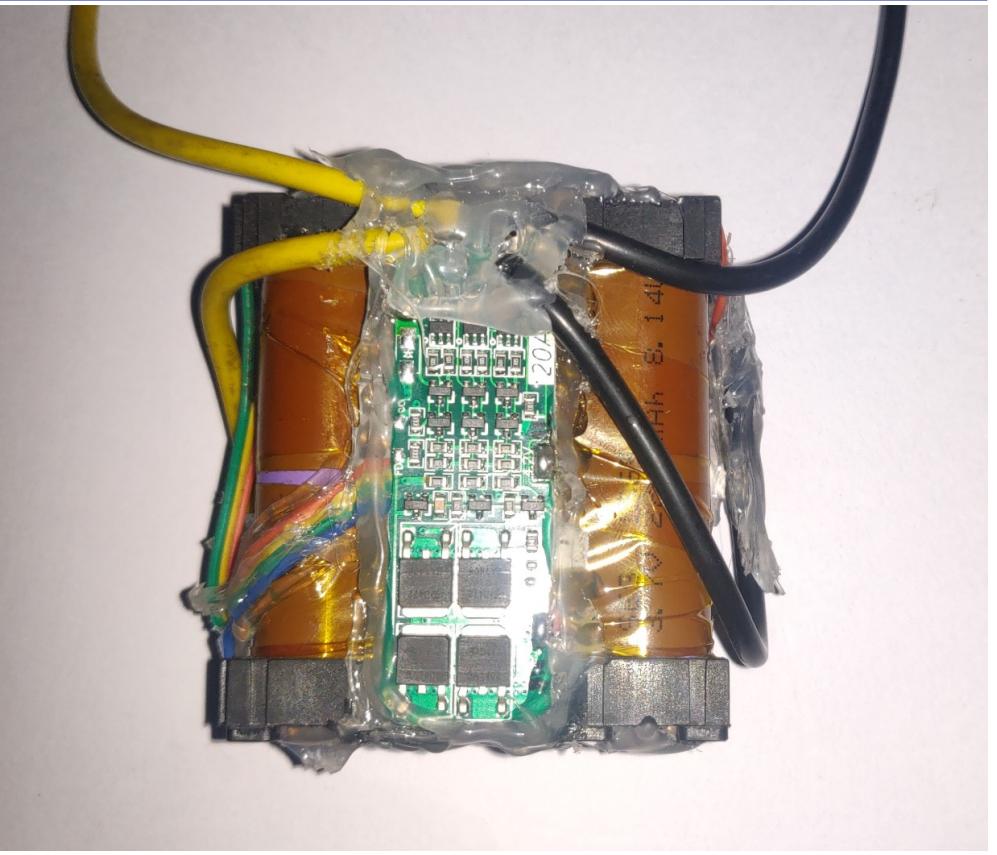
PCB after soldering all components:



Energy Storage Design:

- Battery Type: Lithium Polymer
- Nominal Voltage: 11.1V
- Current Required: ~70A
- Battery Capacity: 8509 mAh ~ 8.5 Ah
- Discharge Coefficient(C-Rating): $\frac{\text{Max.Current } (I_{\max})}{\text{Capacity}} = 8.23C \sim 10C$

3S 2P 11.1v 4600mAh Battery pack with BMS

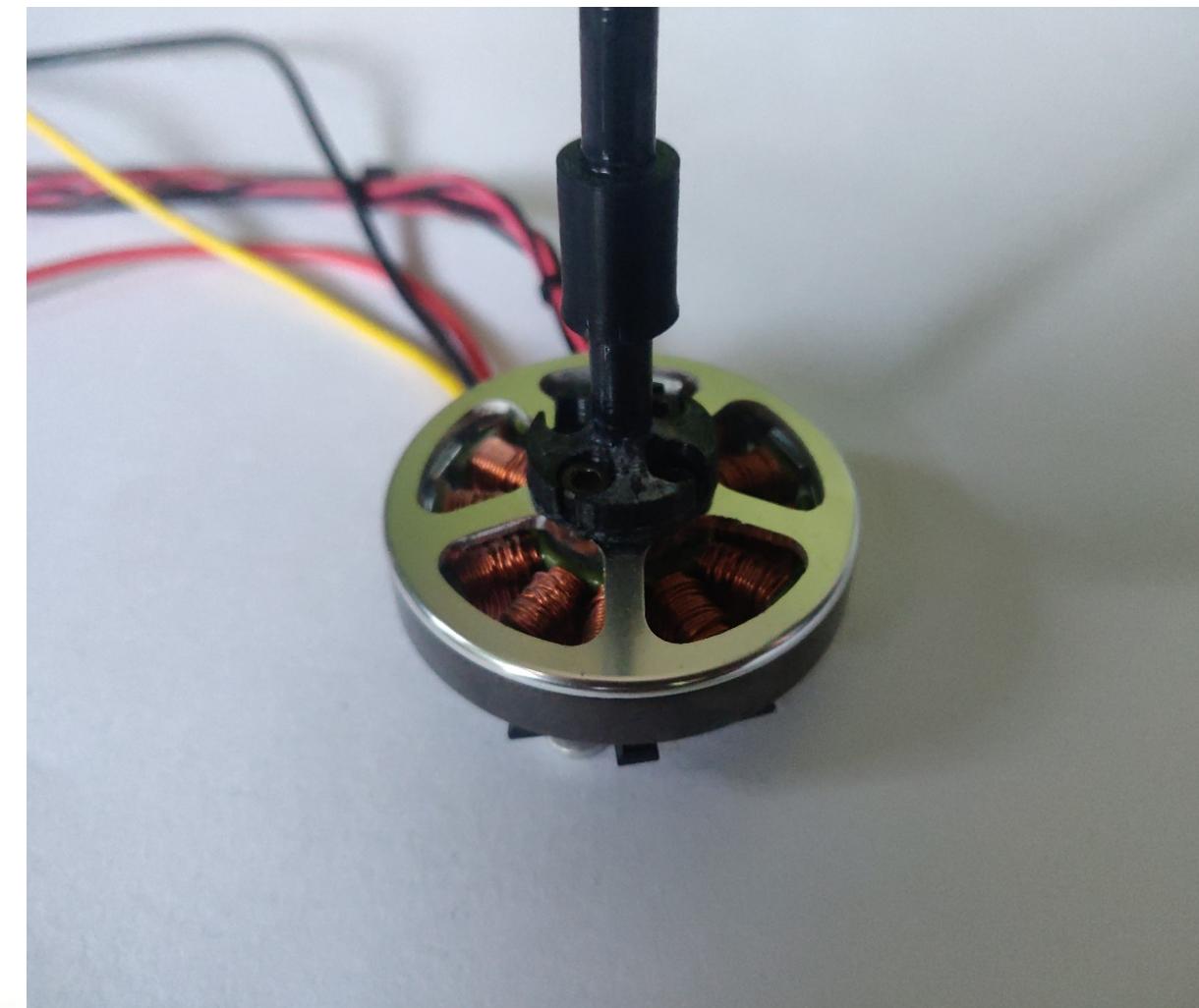


- Cont. Power = $\frac{2\pi NT}{60} = 377.8 \text{ W}$
- Operation time: 15 minutes
- $E_{\text{cont.}} = P_{\text{cont}} \times T_{\text{op}} = 94.45 \text{ Wh}$

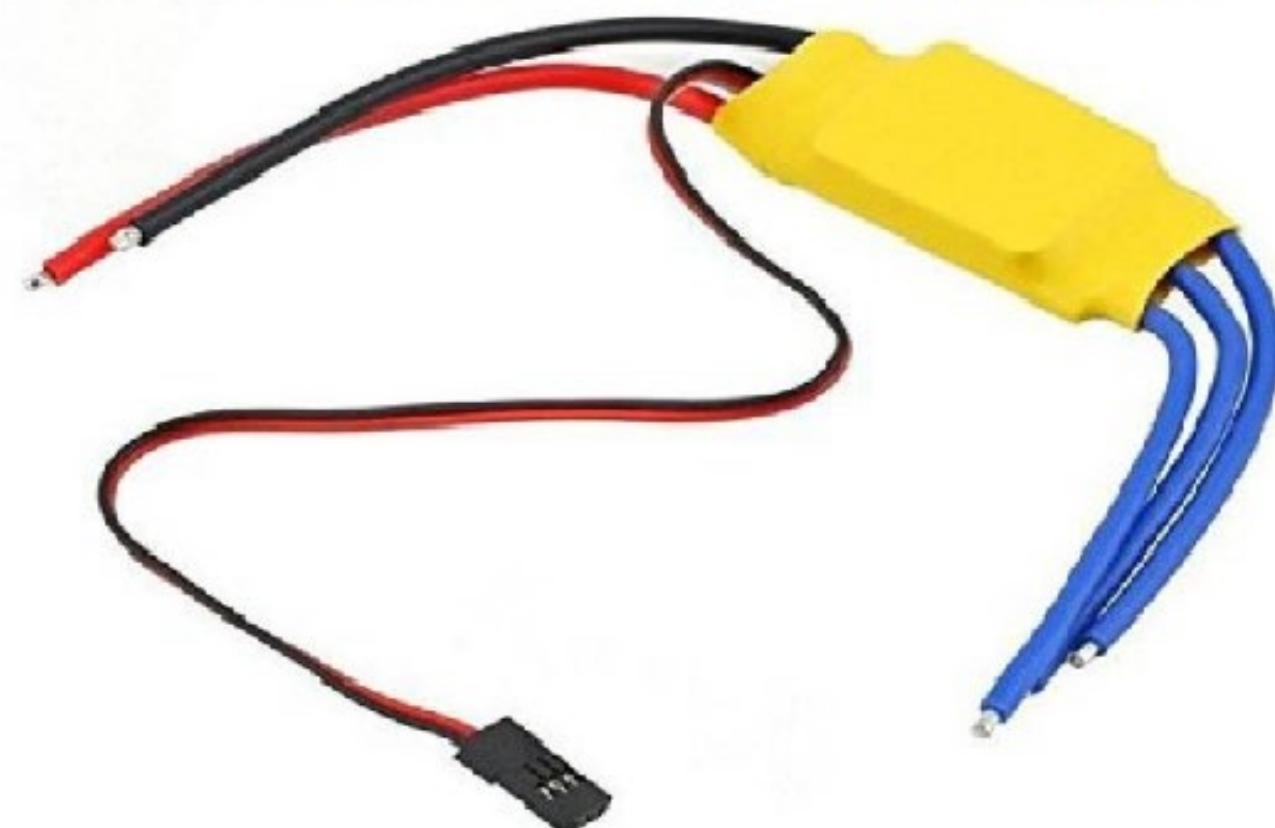
Propulsion Design:

- Motor Type: BLDC
 - Winding Voltage: 11.1V
 - RPM Required: 3000 – 10,000 RPM
 - Voltage Coefficient: $K_v = 650$
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- Max. Power = $\frac{2\pi NT}{60} = 755.55 \text{ W}$
 - $P_{cont.} = 377.8 \text{ W}$
 - $I_{max} = \frac{P_{max}}{V_{batt.}} = 68.08 \text{ A}$
 - $I_{cont.} = \frac{P_{cont.}}{V_{batt.}} = 34.04 \text{ A}$

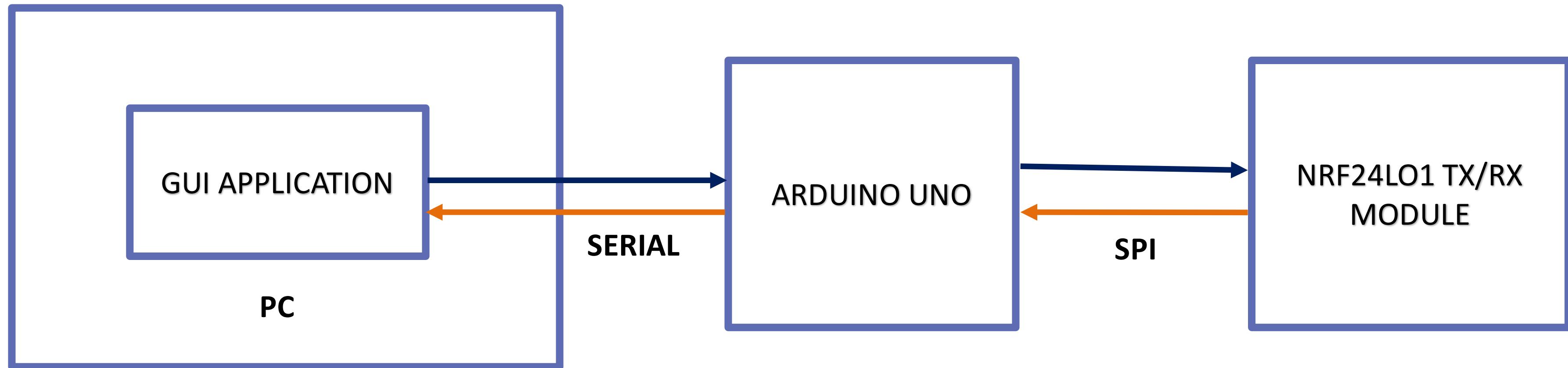
350KV BLDC motor



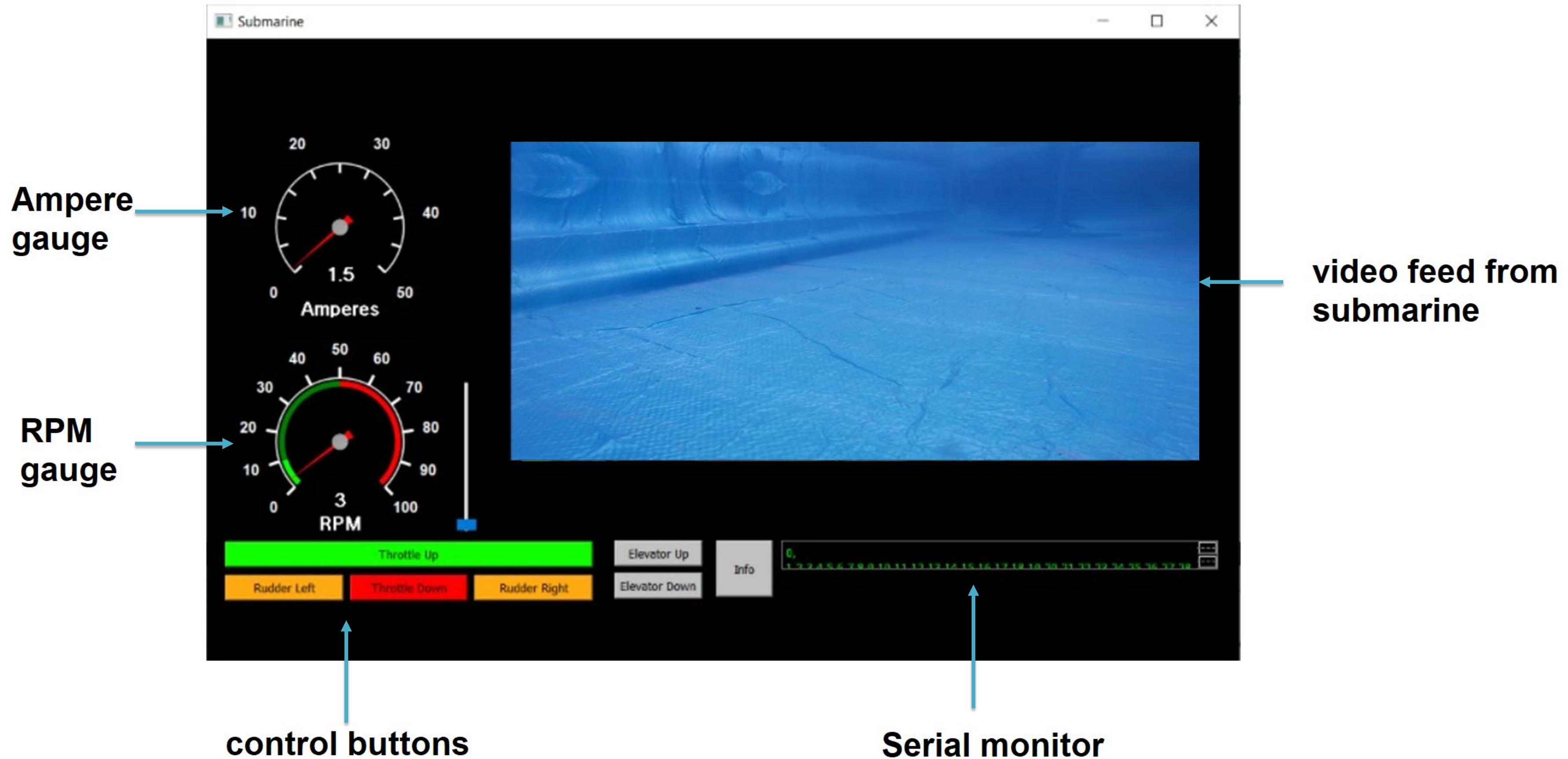
ELECTRONIC SPEED CONTROLLER



Remote controller



Remote controller GUI Application



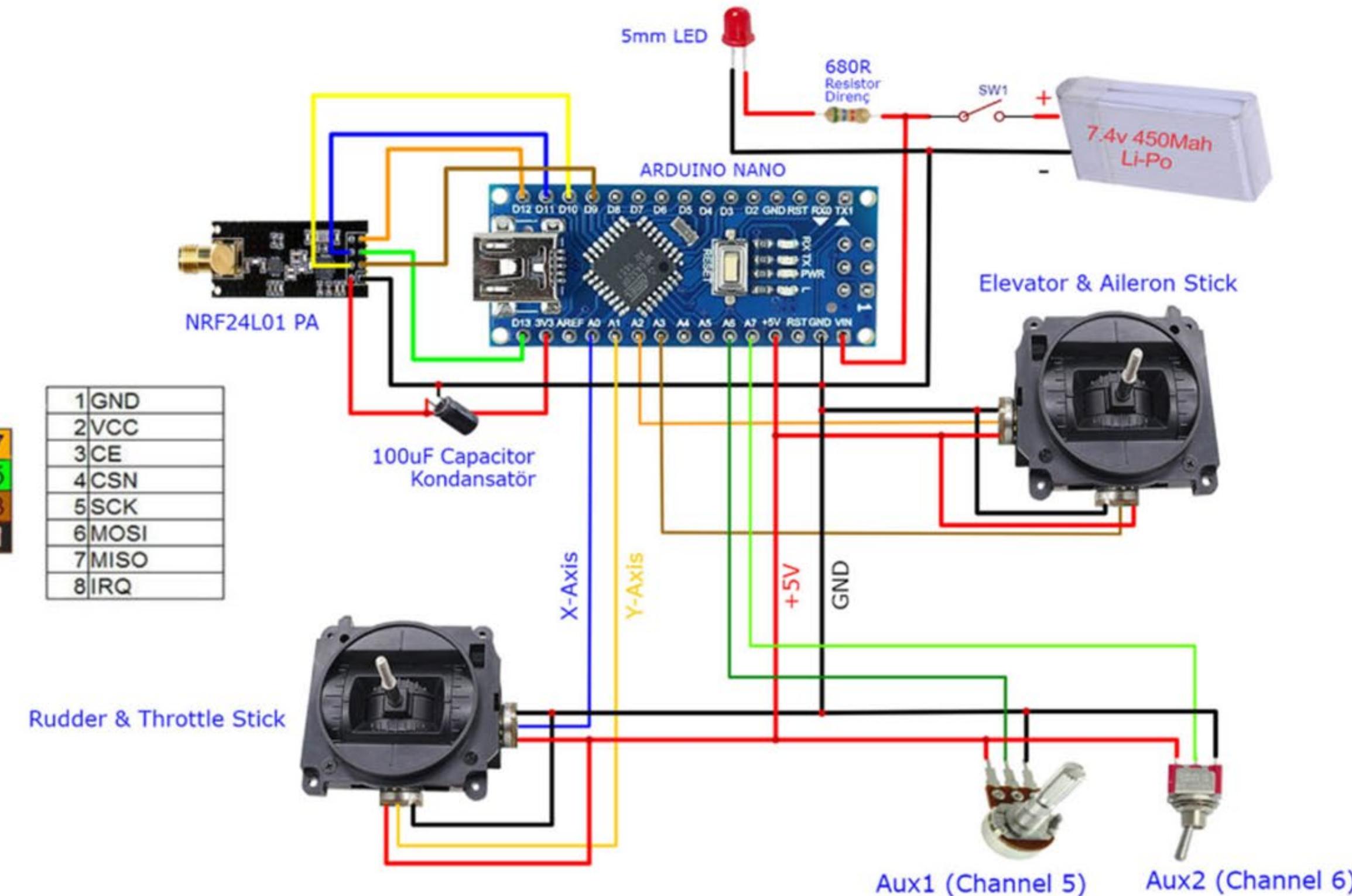
Wireless RX TX

Transmitter circuit:

Components:

- Arduino nano
- Joysticks
- LED's
- Resistors
- Potentiometer
- Toggle switch

1	GND
2	VCC
3	CE
4	CSN
5	SCK
6	MOSI
7	MISO
8	IRQ



Wireless RX TX

Receiver circuit:

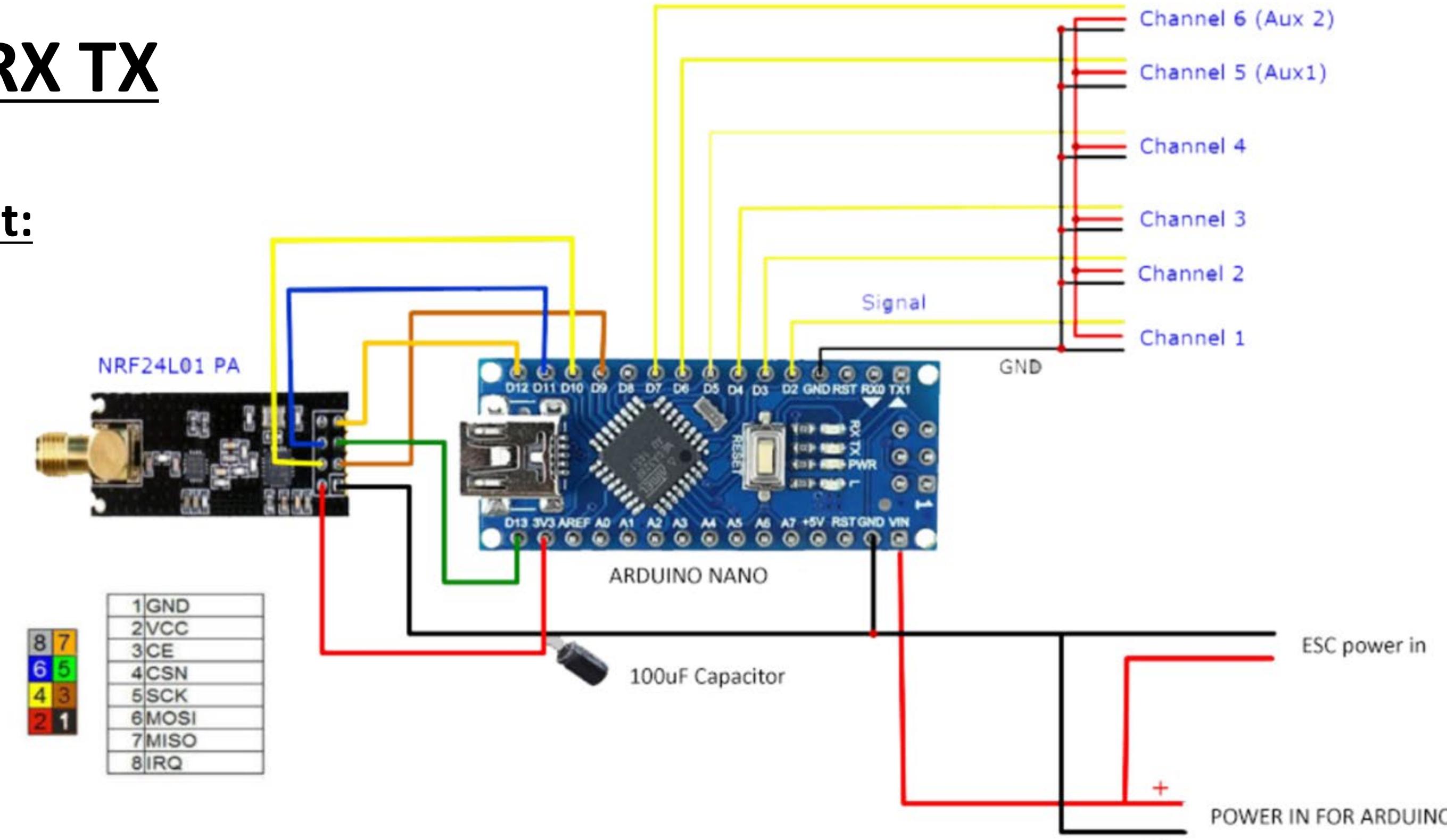


Image Classification

Image Classification is done using deep learning technique which follows training and testing phase.

1. Training phase

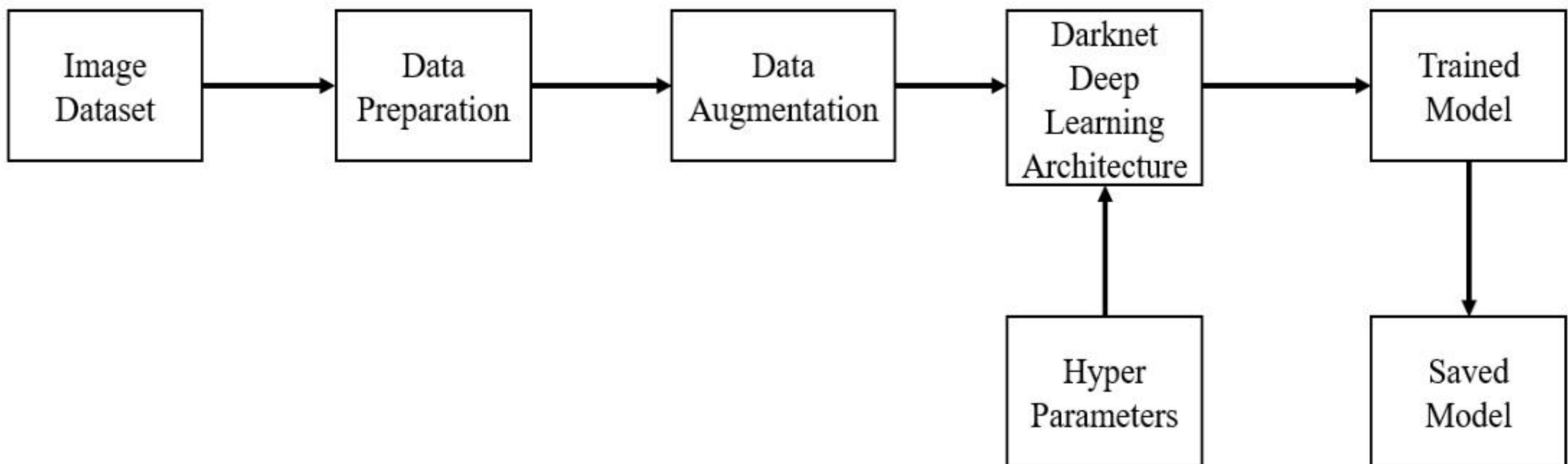




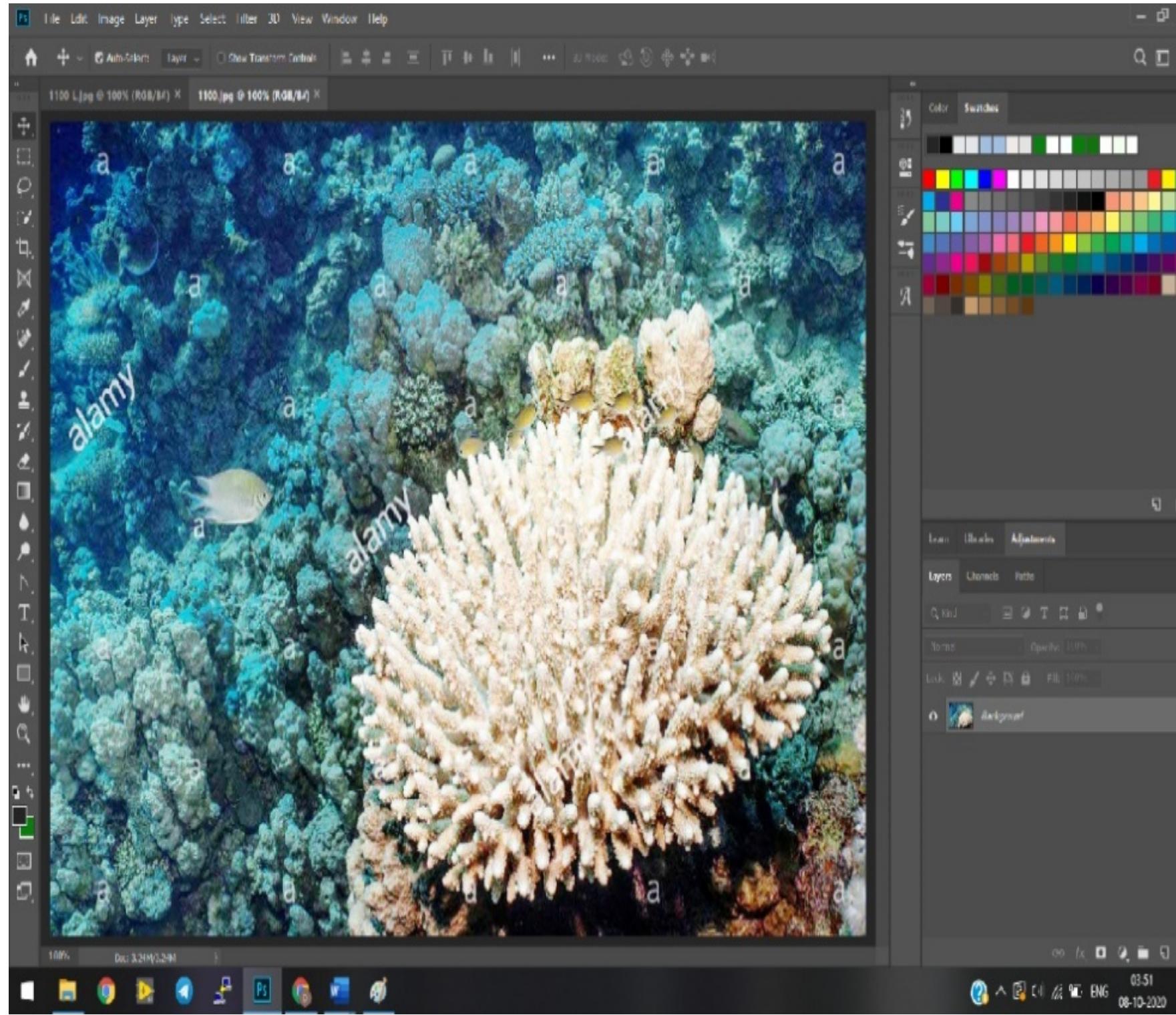
Image Dataset

- The first step is to obtain the dataset of different types of corals. The dataset two types of corals brain coral and the acropora coral are obtained from the google images of 150 nos each.

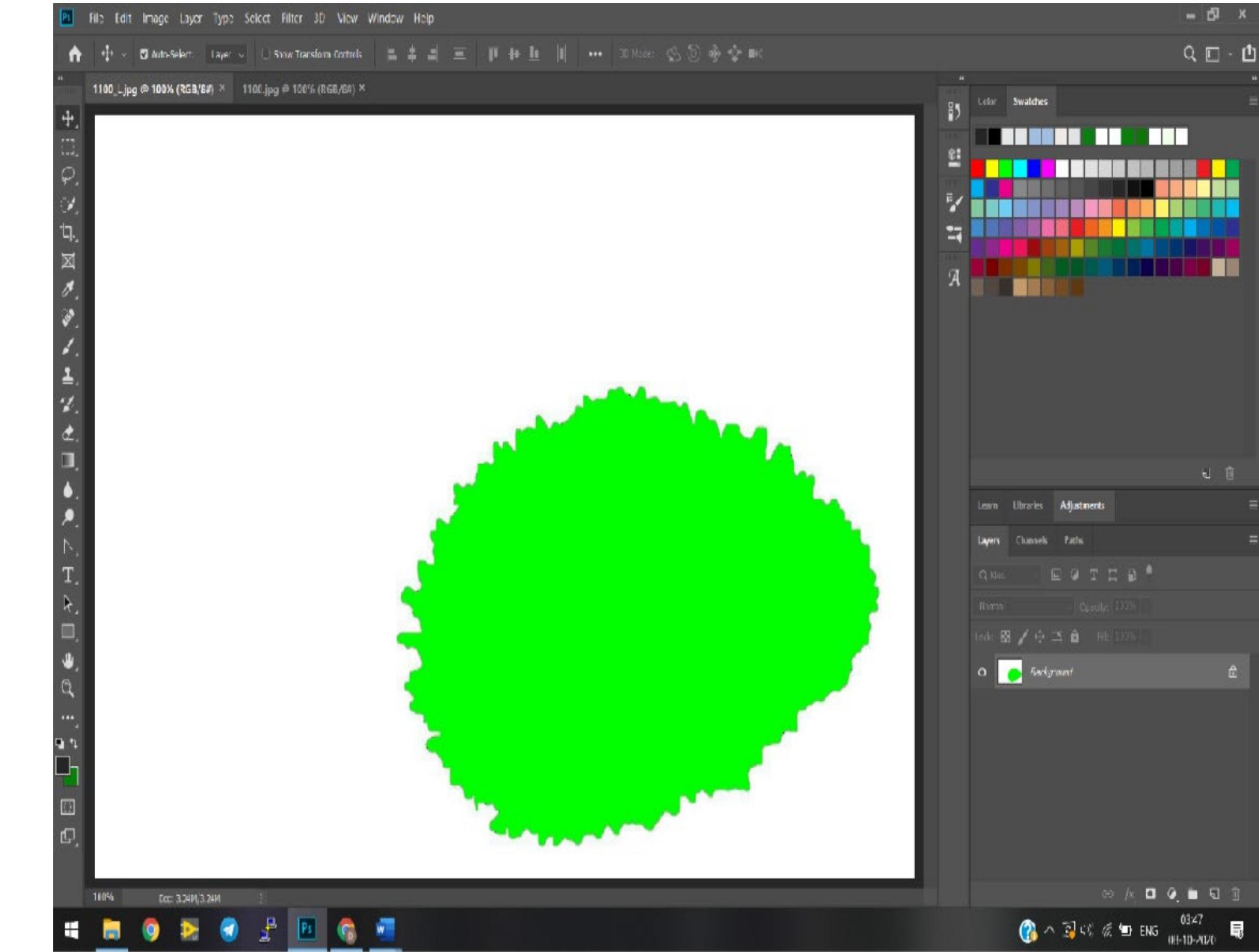
Data Preparation

- In data preparation process images in datasets is filtered out manually and is annotated.
- Annotation is the process of manually defining regions in an image and it is done using the Adobe Photoshop software.

Annotation



Coral before Annotation



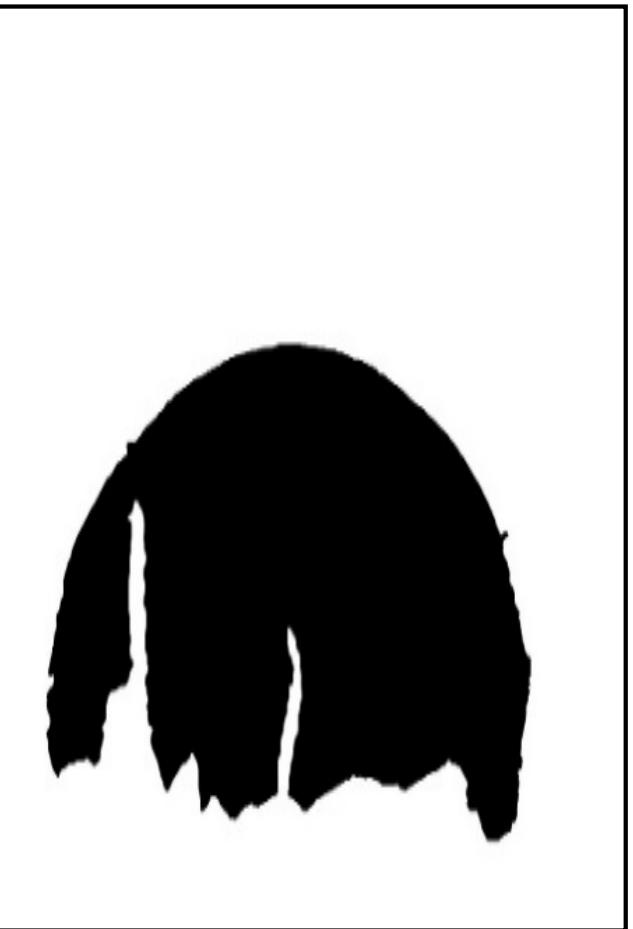
Coral after Annotation

Annotation of acropora and brain coral data sets



Original and annotated acropora coral

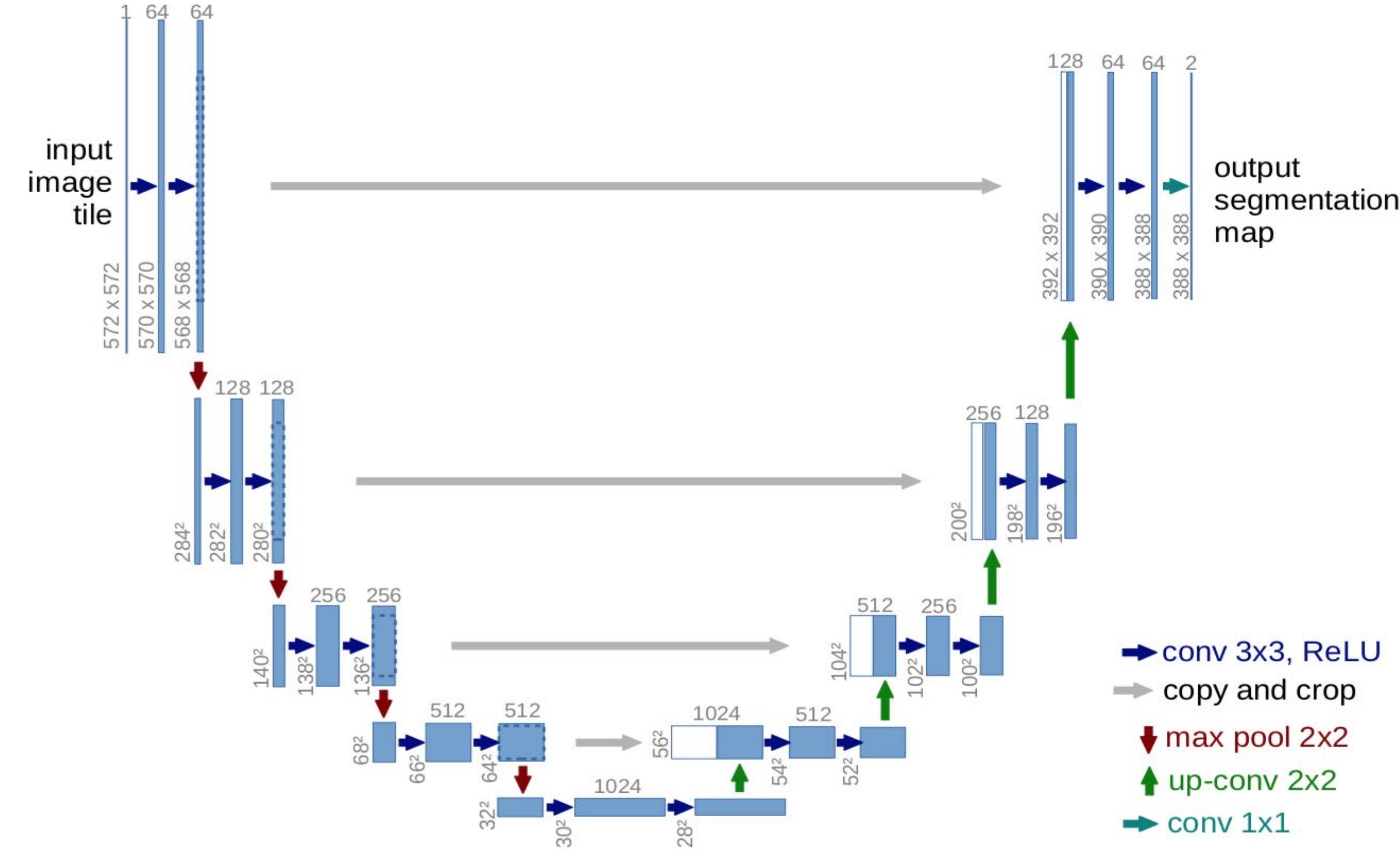
RGB(0,255,0)



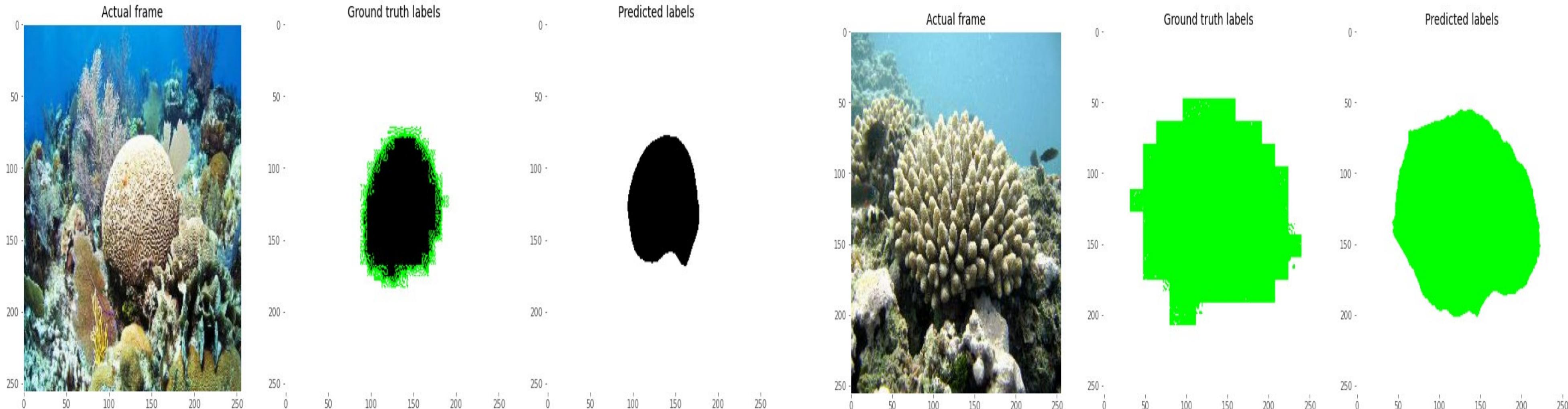
Original and annotated brain coral

RGB(0,0,0)

Detection using Keras Segmentation model



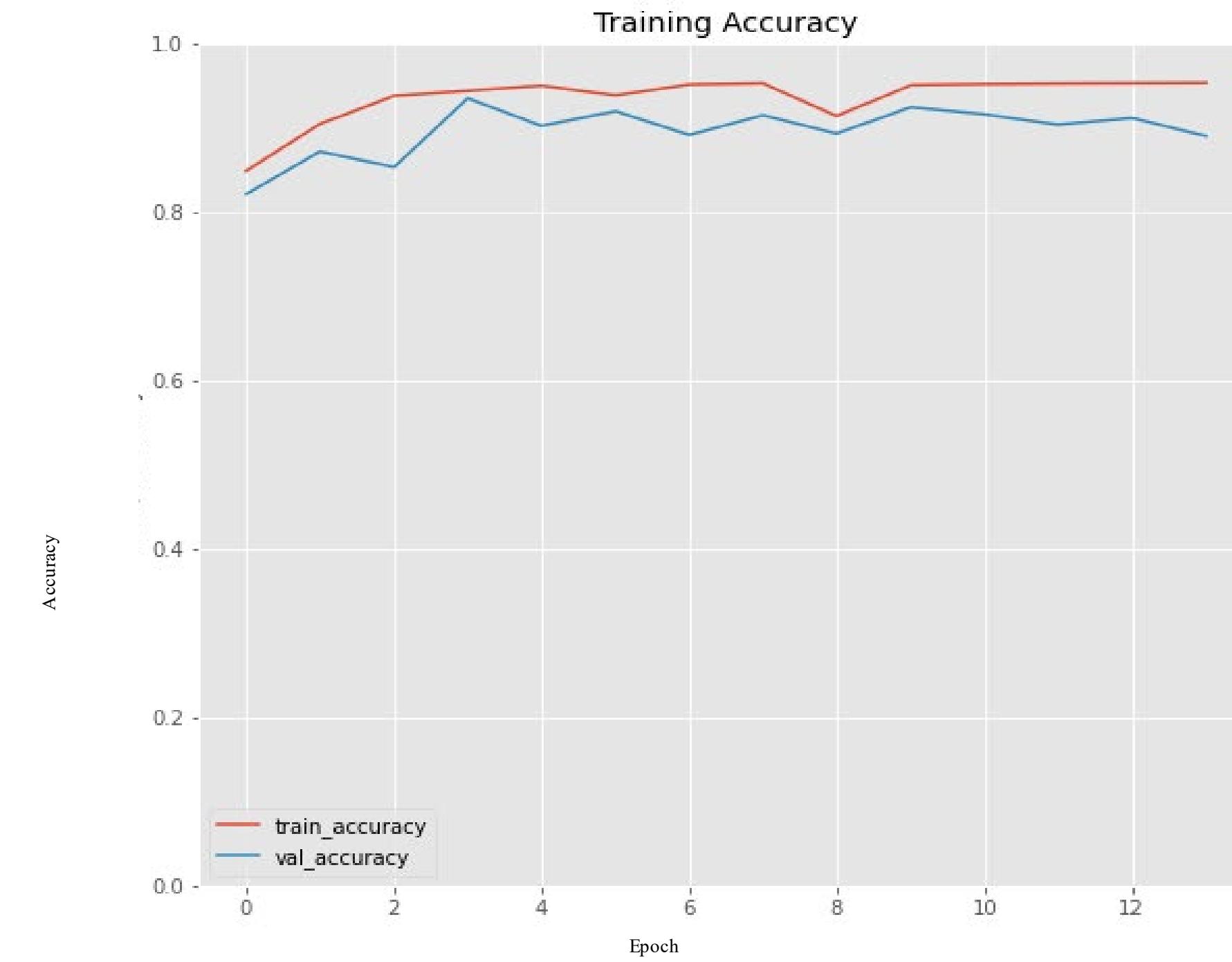
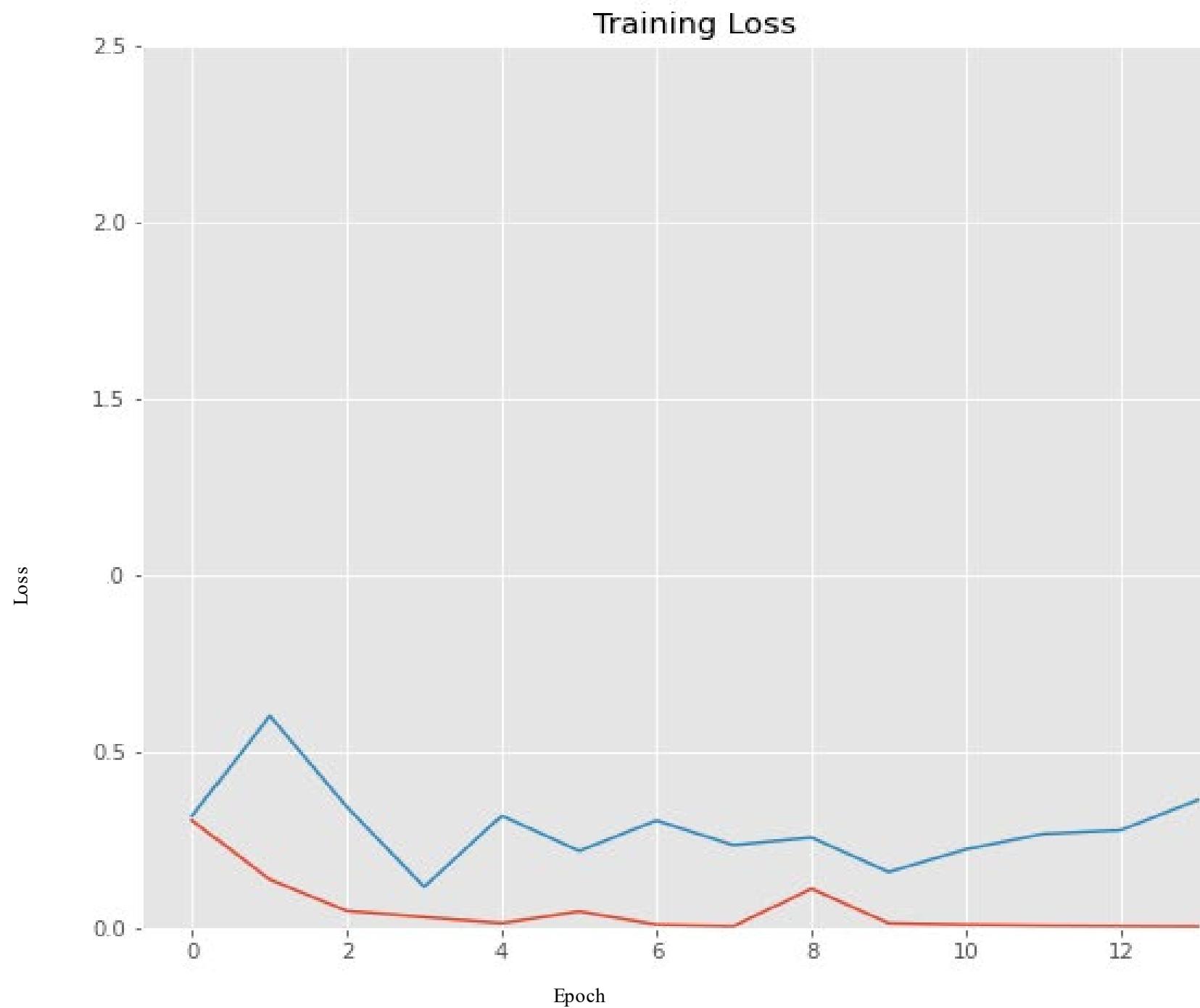
Detection Types



Brain coral prediction

Acropora coral prediction

Model Accuracy and Graphs

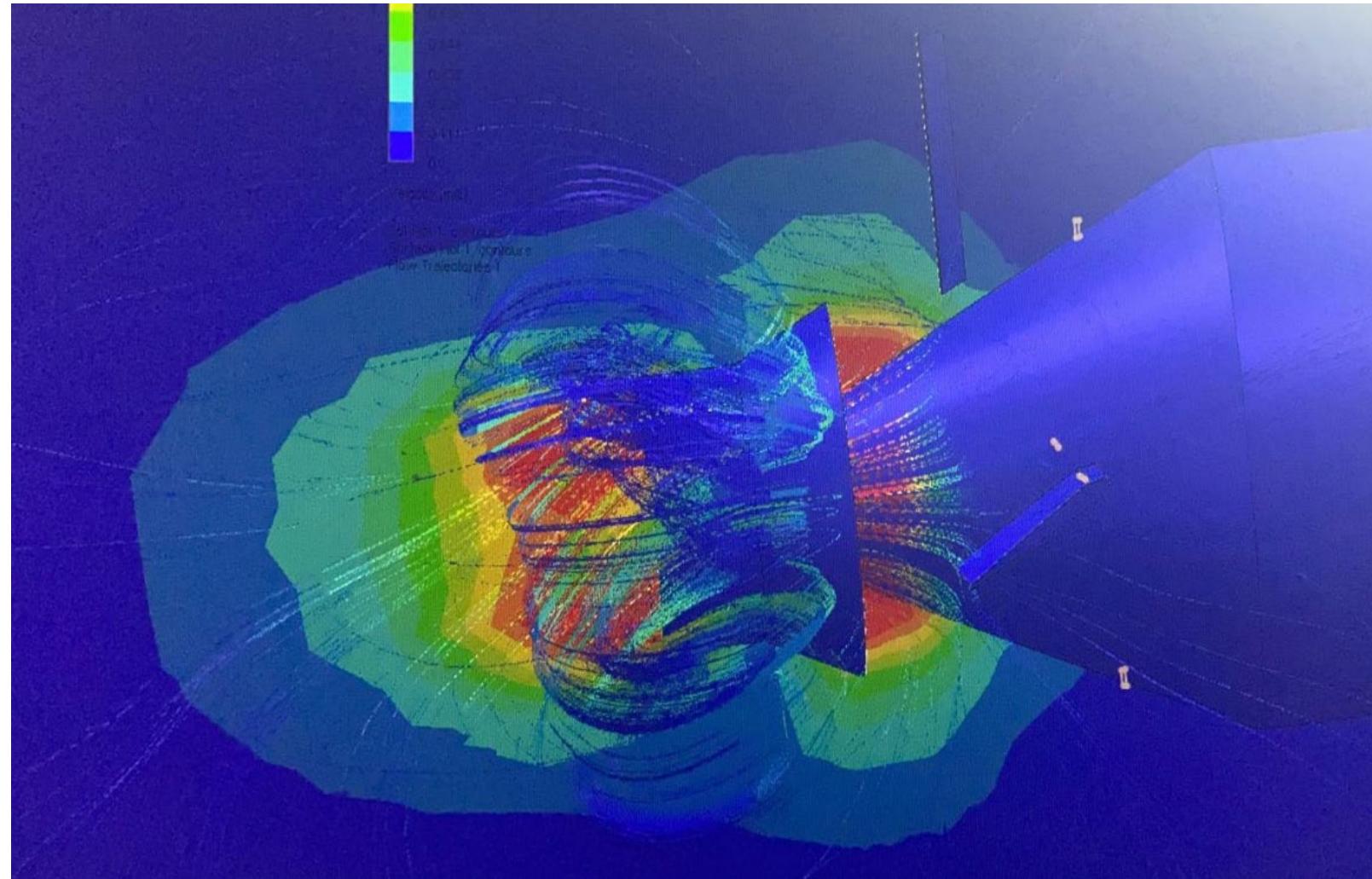


Accuracy Measurements

The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook environment with several windows open:

- Code Editor:** Displays Python code for brain segmentation. The code uses OpenCV's `cv2` library to load an image, perform object detection, and draw bounding boxes. It also includes a loop for processing multiple frames.
- Image Preview:** A window titled "Image" shows a grayscale brain scan with a black mask overlaid, indicating the segmented region.
- Object Detection:** A window titled "Object detection" shows a grayscale brain scan with red and green bounding boxes drawn around specific regions, likely representing different brain structures or lesions.
- Python Kernel:** Shows a list of kernel sessions, all of which are currently active (indicated by a green status bar).

Results:



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COST ESTIMATE:

PARTICULARS	COST
Li Poly Battery Pack	6000
BLDC Motor controller	600
Raspberry Pi 4 B (4GB)	4000
BLDC Motors	3000
Ballast Tank	1000
BALLAST PUMPS	500
SERVO MOTORS	500
DIGITAL CAMERA FOR PI	1500
433 Mhz Module + Antenna	500
5.8 Ghz Module + Antenna	1500
PROPELLERS	1000
SUBMARINE HULL	8000
PCB FABRICATION	2000
WATERPROOFING COMPONENTS	2000
MISC-10%	3210
TOTAL	35310