



Robocon 2014

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Problem Statement: Robocon 2014

ROBOCON

ABU Asia-Pacific Robot Contest 2014 Pune, INDIA

A SALUTE TO PARENTHOOD

Parent Robot: Objective

- Manoeuvring in a large arena from one zone to another zone
- Picking and placing child robot in different orientations and locations in these zones
- Pushing a swing with child robot
- Pushing a see-saw with child robot on one side

Child Robot: Objective

- Autonomously traversing from one pole to another in a pole walk zone arranged with poles arranged in a specific orientation

Parent Robot: The Challenge

- Dimensions: should fit in a 1000mm cube before start and in a cube of 1500mm cube after start
- Locomotion: actuators + wheels
- Gripping child robot
- Design: degrees of freedom, swing pushing, see saw pushing
- Control System

Child Robot: The Challenge

- Dimensions: should fit in a 500mm cube
- Gripping poles, sustaining weight
- Design: degrees of freedom, mechanisms
- Interaction with Parent Robot
- Gripping by Parent Robot
- Control System
- Programming

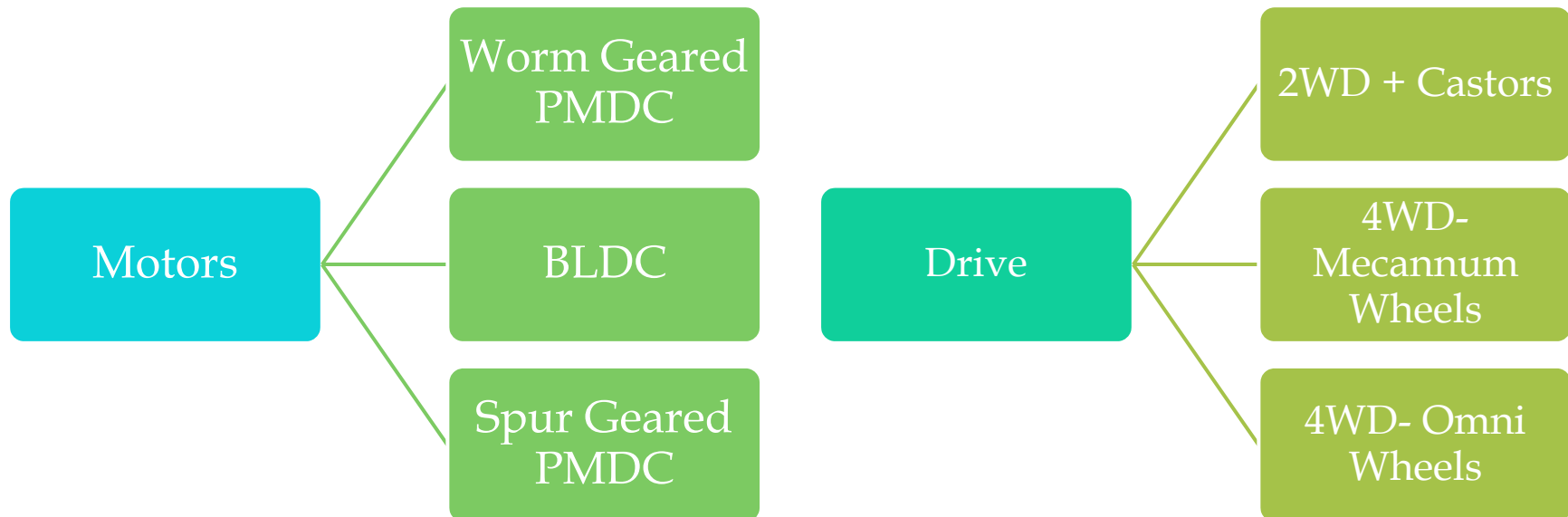


**Brain Storming
and
Designing**



**Parent robot:
Tackling challenges**

Parent Robot: Locomotion



Parent Robot: Motors

Worm Geared Permanent Magnet DC Motor

- High Torque
- High no load current
- Low RPMs
- Too heavy
- Moderate cost
- Easily available in India

Brushless DC Motor

- High Torque
- Nominal no load current
- Desirable RPMs
- Very light
- Very expensive
- Manufactured outside India

Spur Geared Permanent Magnet DC Motor

- High Torque
- Nominal no load current
- Desirable RPMs
- Moderate weight
- Moderate cost
- Easily available in India

Parent Robot: Drive

2 Wheel Drive+ Castor Wheels

- Nominal power consumption
- Cheapest option
- Worst maneuverability

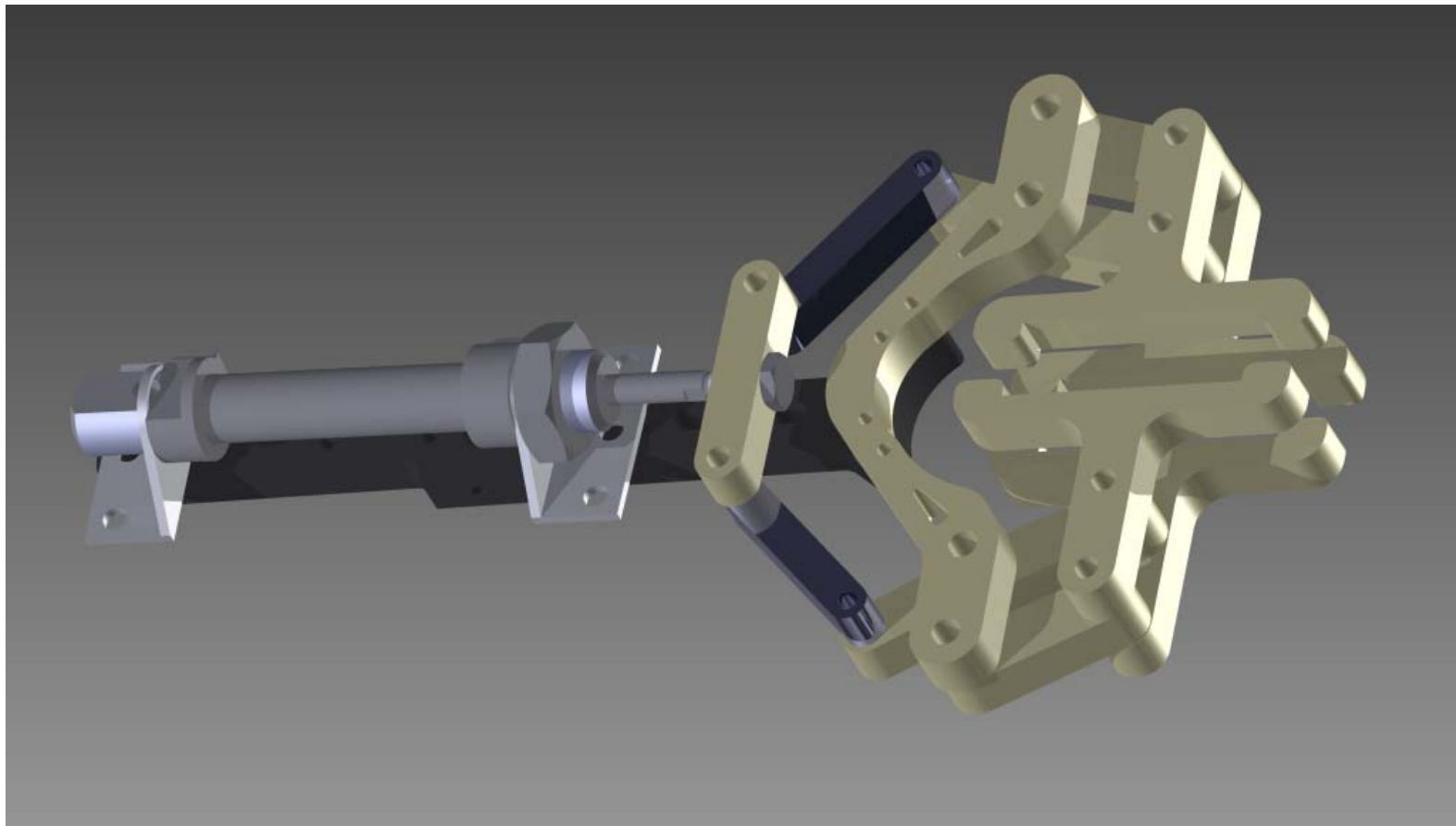
4 Wheel Drive: Mecanum Wheels

- About 3 times more power consumption
- Costliest option
- Good maneuverability

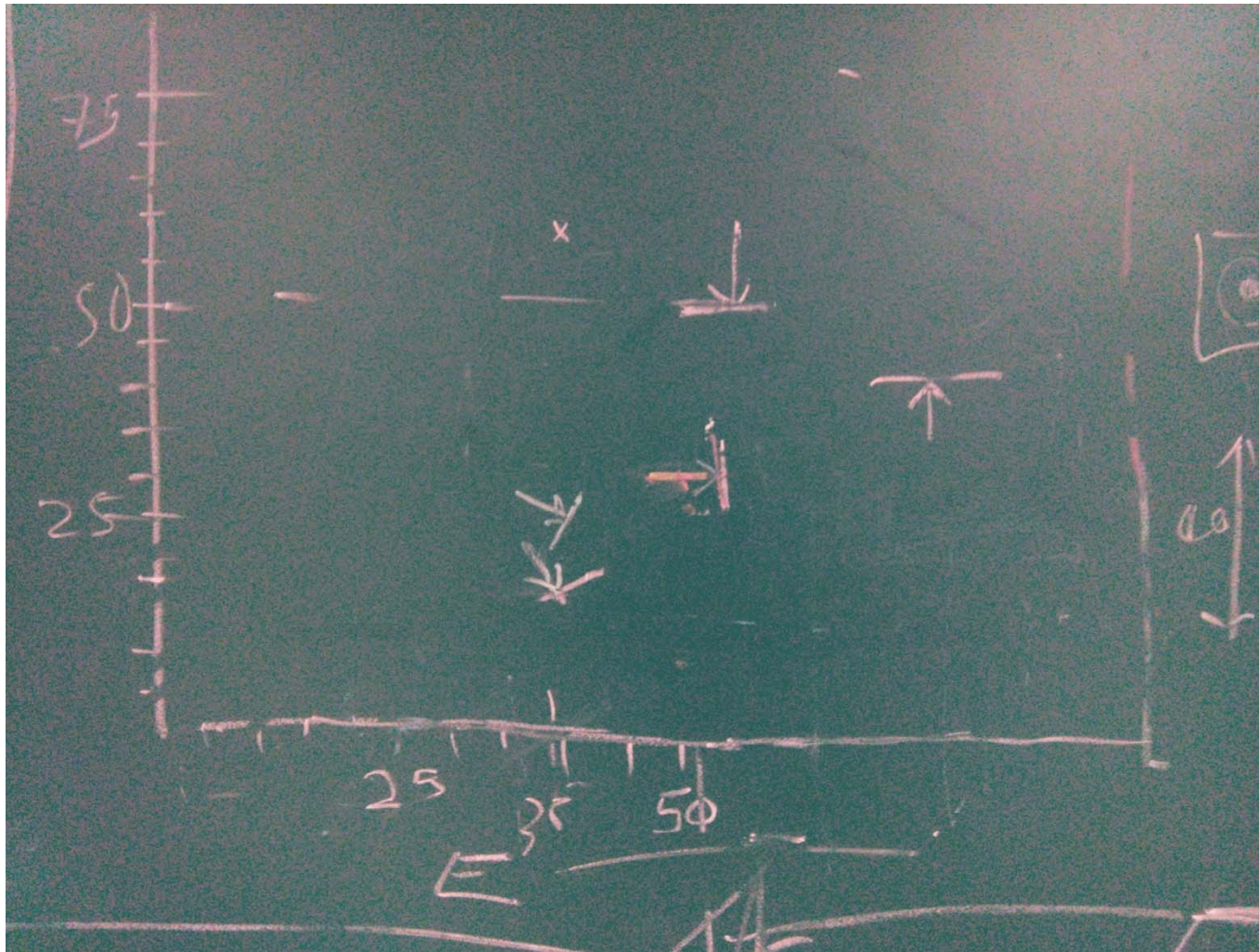
4 Wheel Drive: Omni Wheels

- Power consumption nearly same as 2WD with castors
- Nominal cost
- Best maneuverability

Parent Robot: Gripper



Parent Robot: Design Requirements



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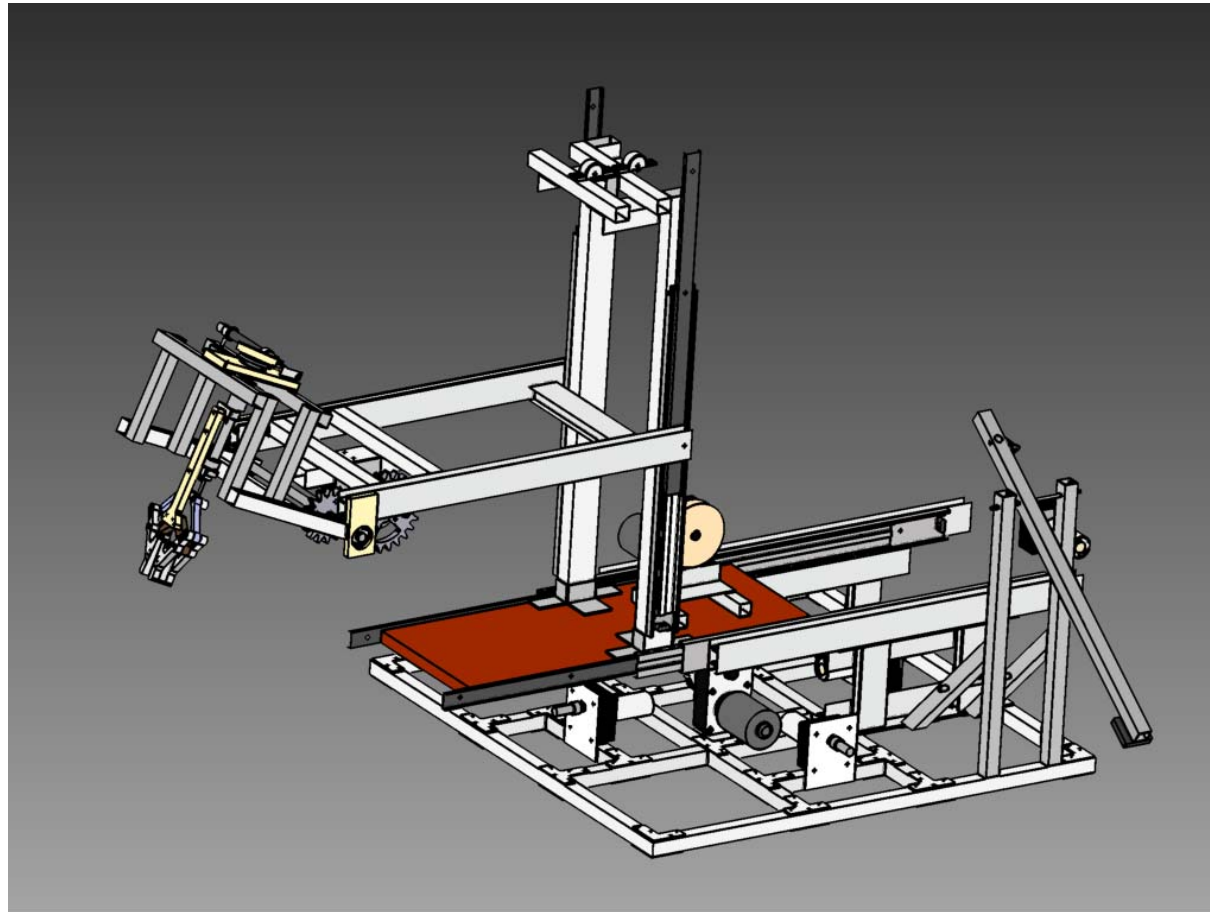
TASKS	HEIGHT(mm)	EXTENTION(mm)	ORIENTATION FROM VERTICAL AXIS
SEASAW	170	380	90
DURING PLAY	560	380	90
SWING	400	700	90
POLE WALKING	300	350	0

Table 1.1: Design requirements to be fulfilled by the bot

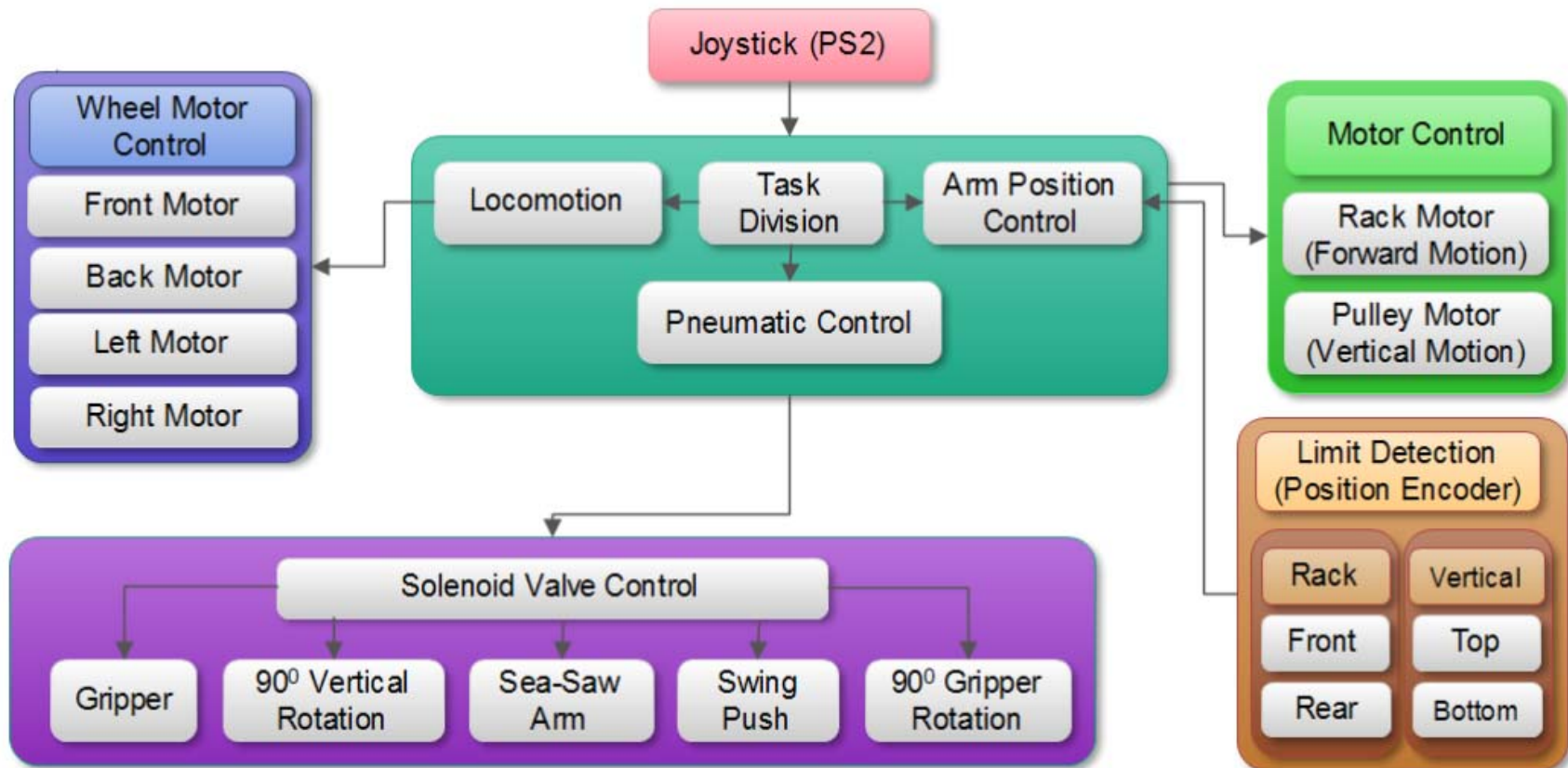
Parent Robot: Design Requirements

- See saw pushing:
 - Planned to use pneumatic actuators
 - Orientation? Mechanism?
- Swing pushing:
 - Planned to use pneumatic actuators
 - Force? Stroke length?

Parent Robot: Design



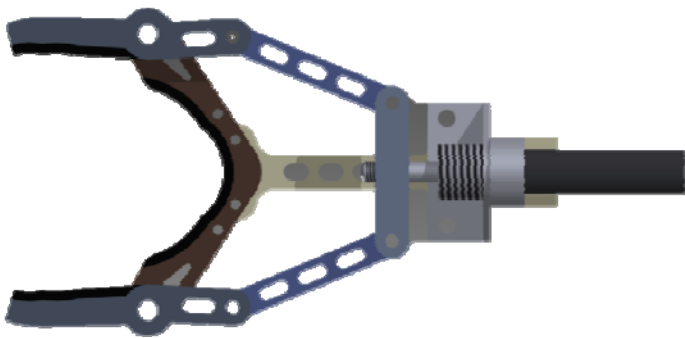
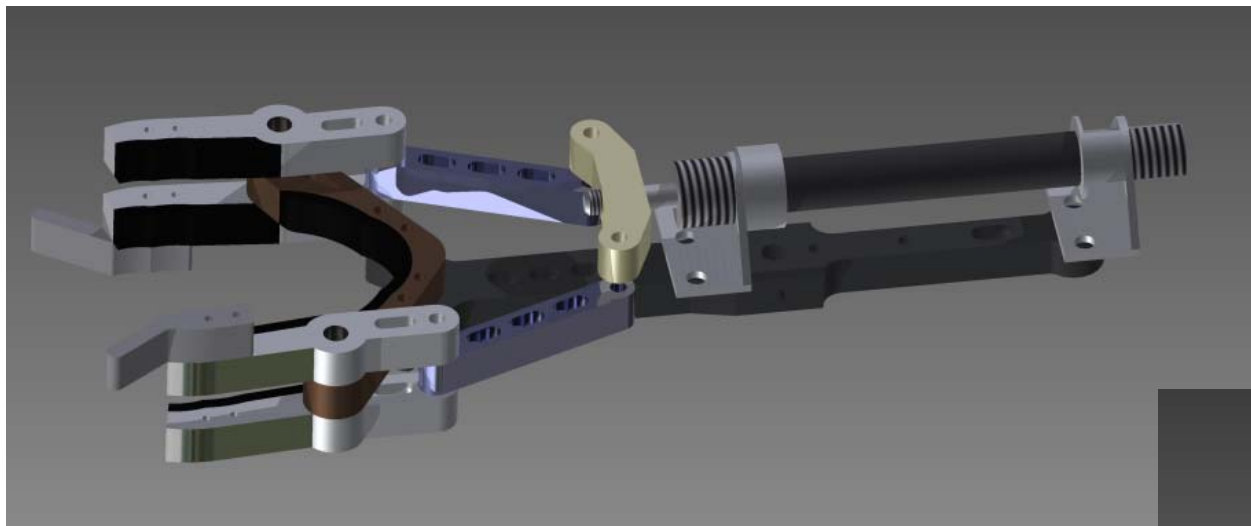
Parent Robot: Control System





**CHILD ROBOT:
TACKLING CHALLENGES**

Child Robot: Gripper



Child Robot: Gripper Calculations

Serial No.	Link Lengths (mm)		Angles (32mm)		Angles (50mm)		Force Constant (32mm)		Force Constant (50mm)	
	Pneumatic	Pneumatic2Claw	θ	$\theta+\phi$	θ	$\theta+\phi$	Theo	Exp	Theo	Exp
1	30	30	Not Possible							
2	30	40	Not Possible							
3	30	50	19.2	39.9	41.6	96.6	1.95		1.50	
4	30	60	38.1	58.8	51.4	106.3	1.39		1.23	
5	40	30	Not Possible							
6	40	40	Not Possible							
7	40	50	32.4	53.2	49.6	104.5	1.49		1.27	
8	40	60	45.3	66	57.3	112.3	1.29		1.10	
9	50	30	Not Possible							
10	50	40	Not Possible							
11	50	50	41.9	62.6	56.8	111.6	1.33		1.11	
12	50	60	51.7	72.5	62.9	117.9	1.22		0.99	

$$\text{Force Constant} = \frac{\sin(\theta+\phi)}{\sin\theta}$$

$$T = \eta_c T_c = \frac{\eta_c F r \sin(\theta+\phi)}{2 \sin\theta}$$

Child Robot: Gripper in Action

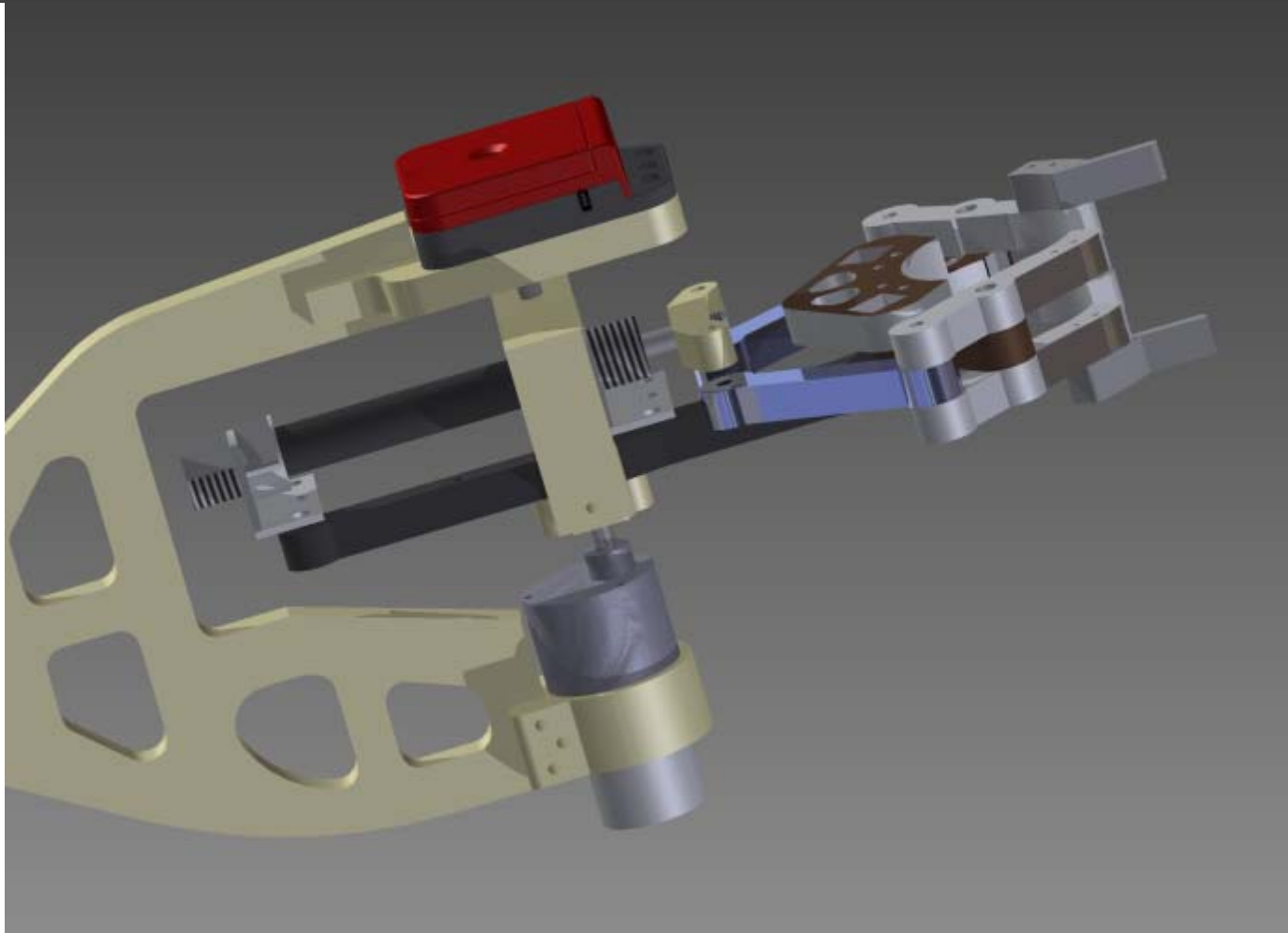


Figure: Gripper Version 1- Load testing

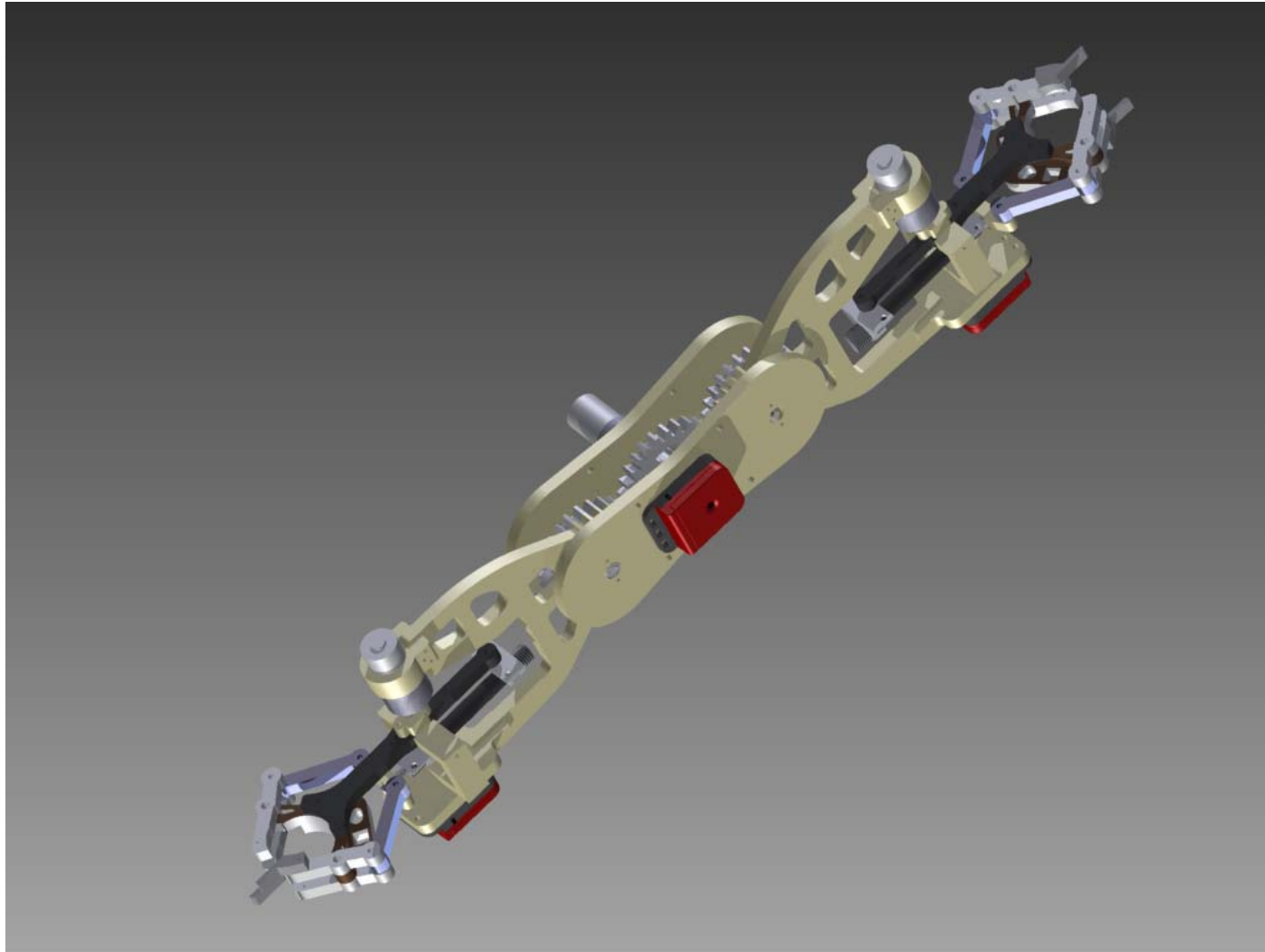
Load = 3.9 Kg

Minimum pressure at piston = 40 Psi

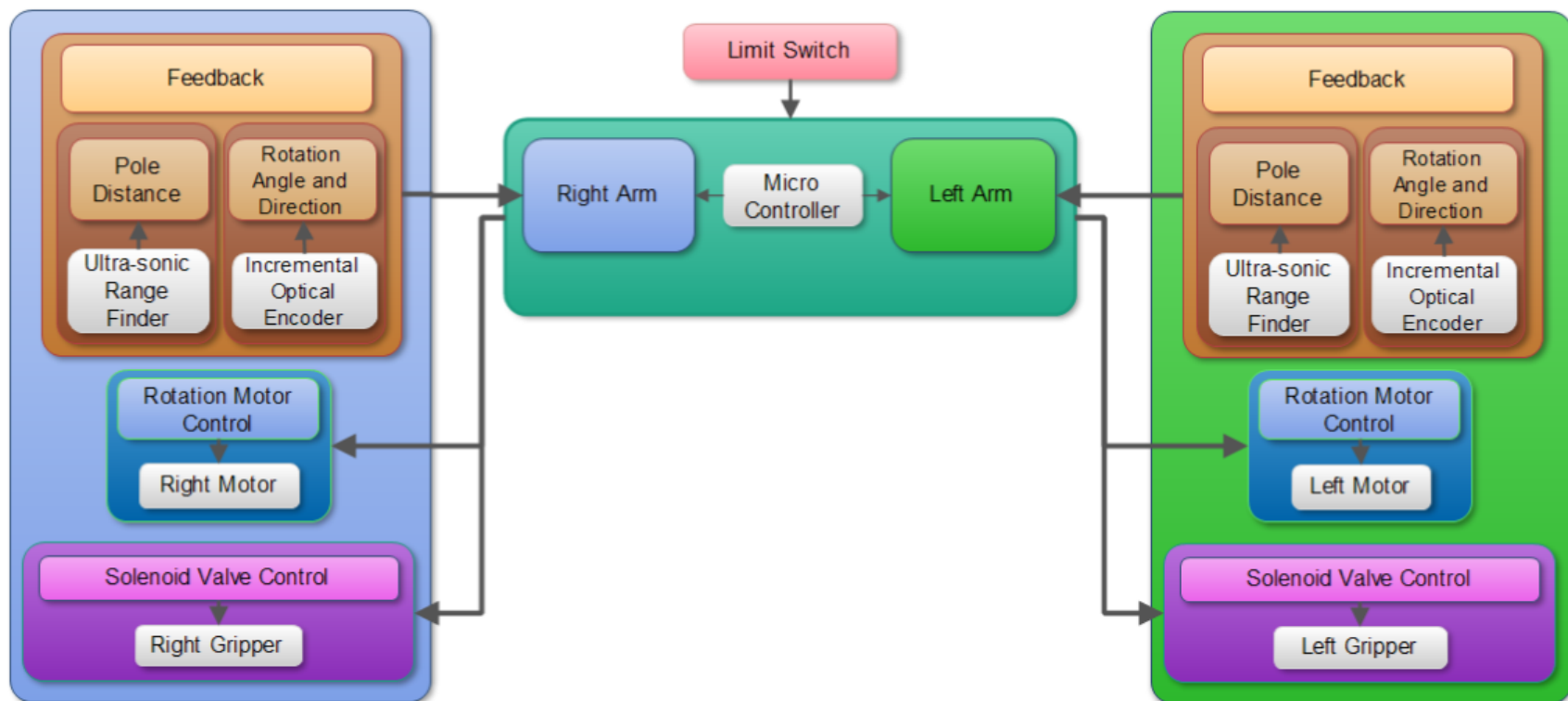
Child Robot: Gripper Module



Child Robot: Design



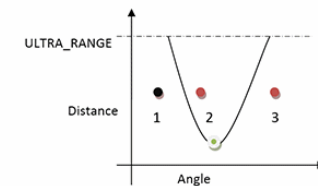
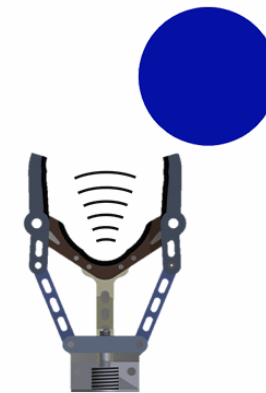
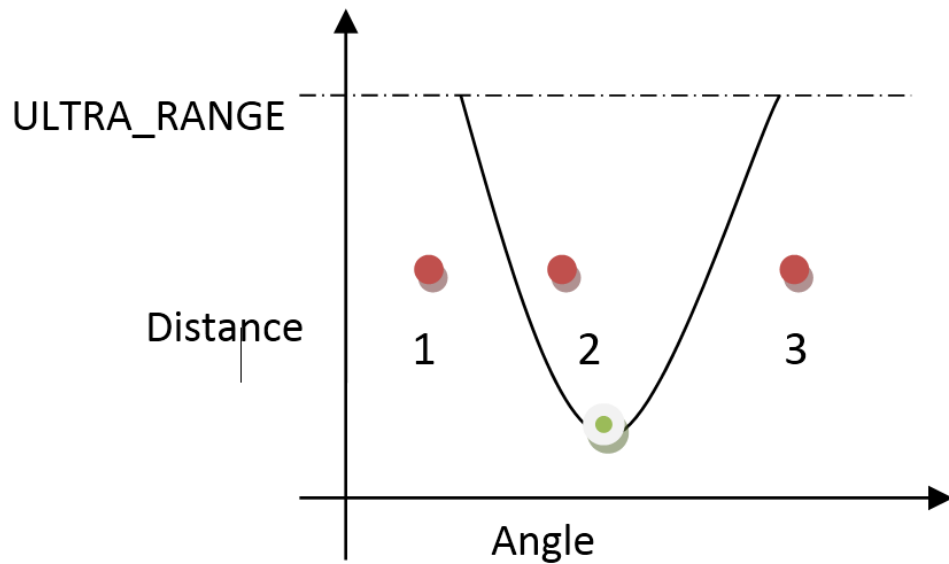
Child Robot: Control System



Child Robot: Programming



Child Robot: Pole Searching



**Gripper comes in position 1:
Pole is outside the Ultrasonic
sensor range**

- Possible initial starting points.
- Minimum distance orientation.

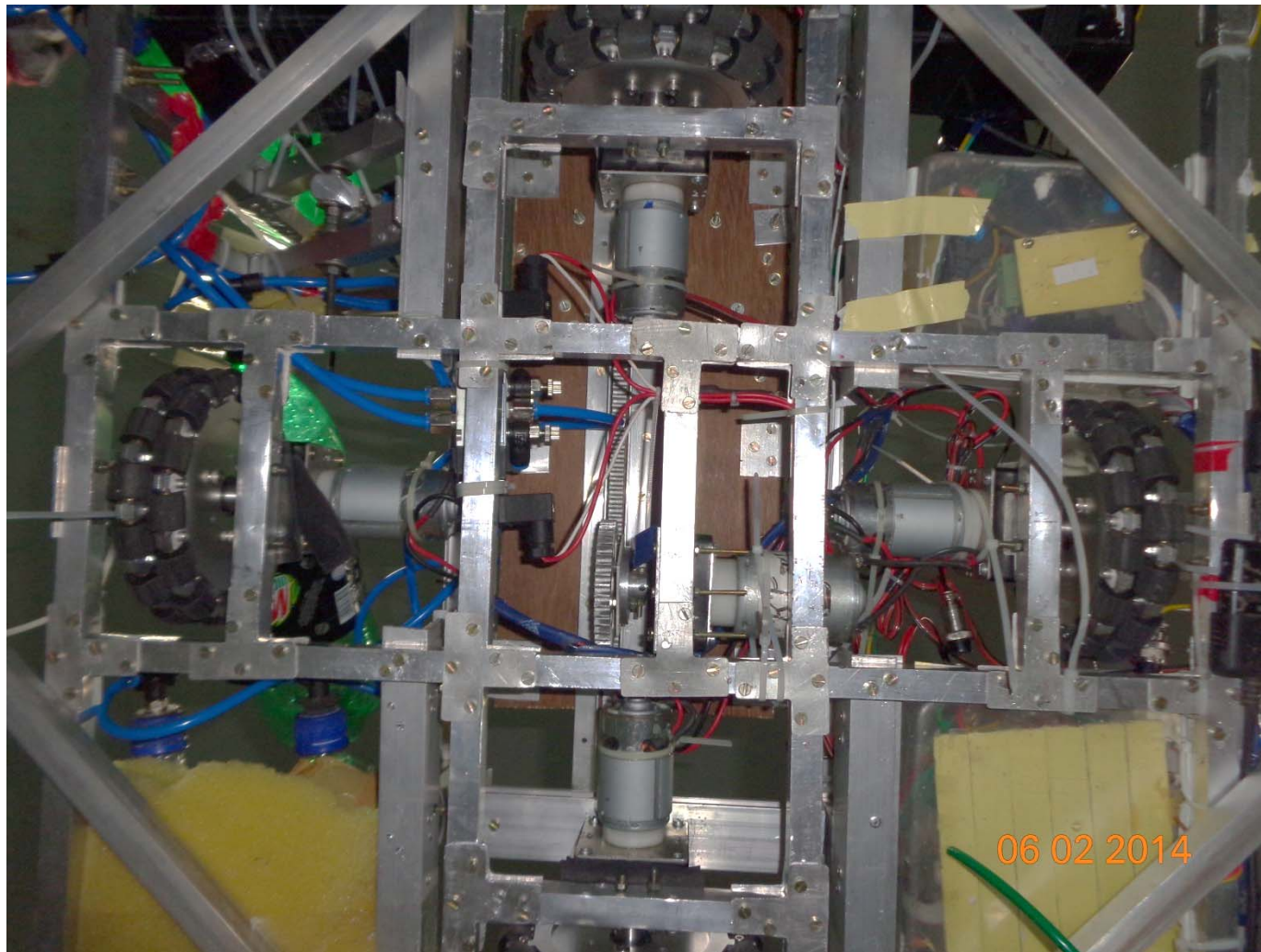


Fabrication and Development

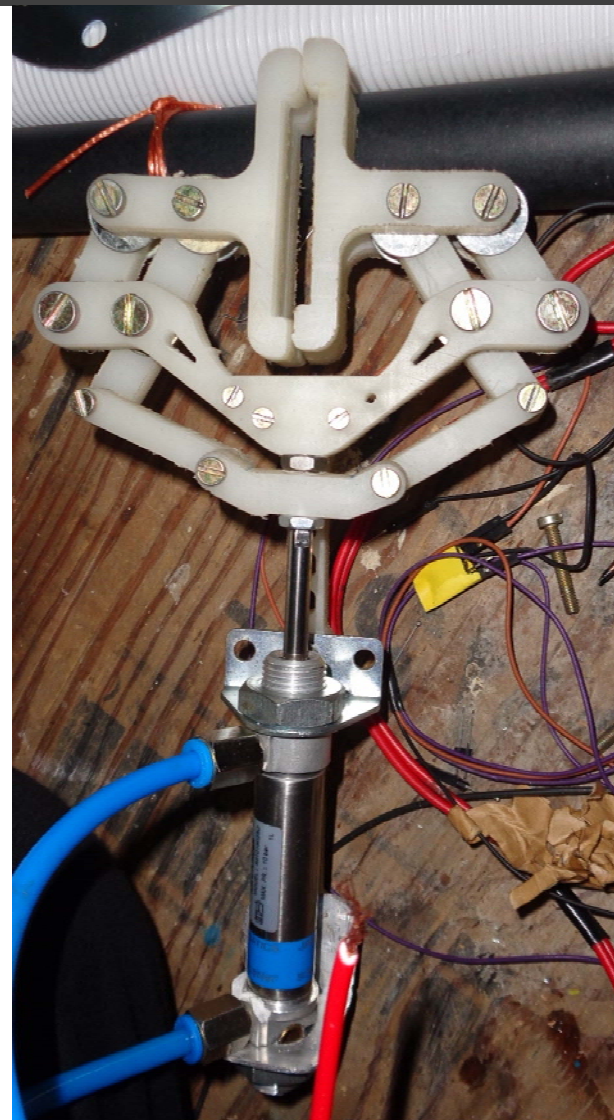
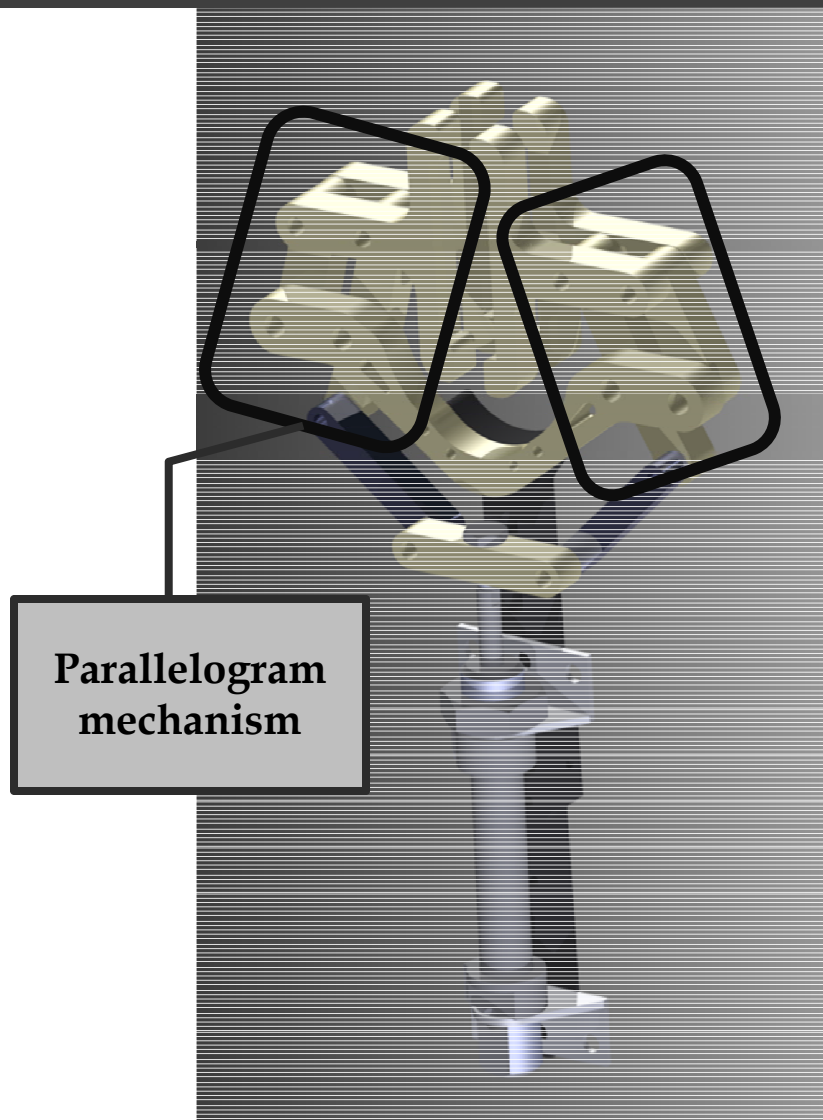


PARENT ROBOT

Parent Robot: Locomotion

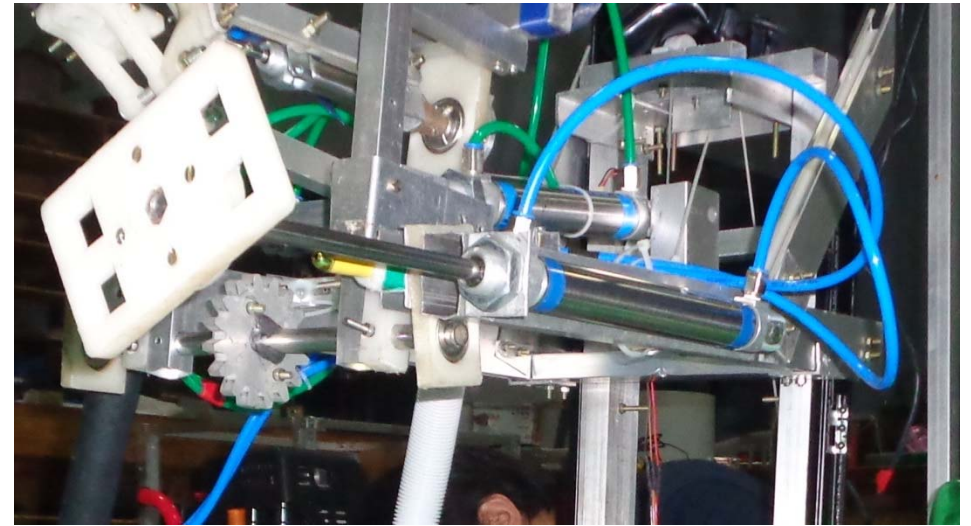


Parent Robot: Gripper



Parent Robot: See Saw & Swing Task

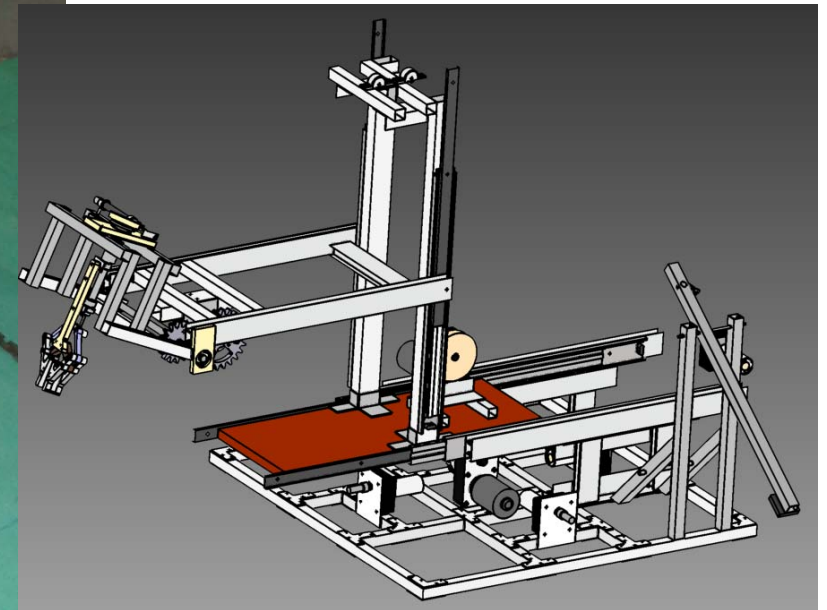
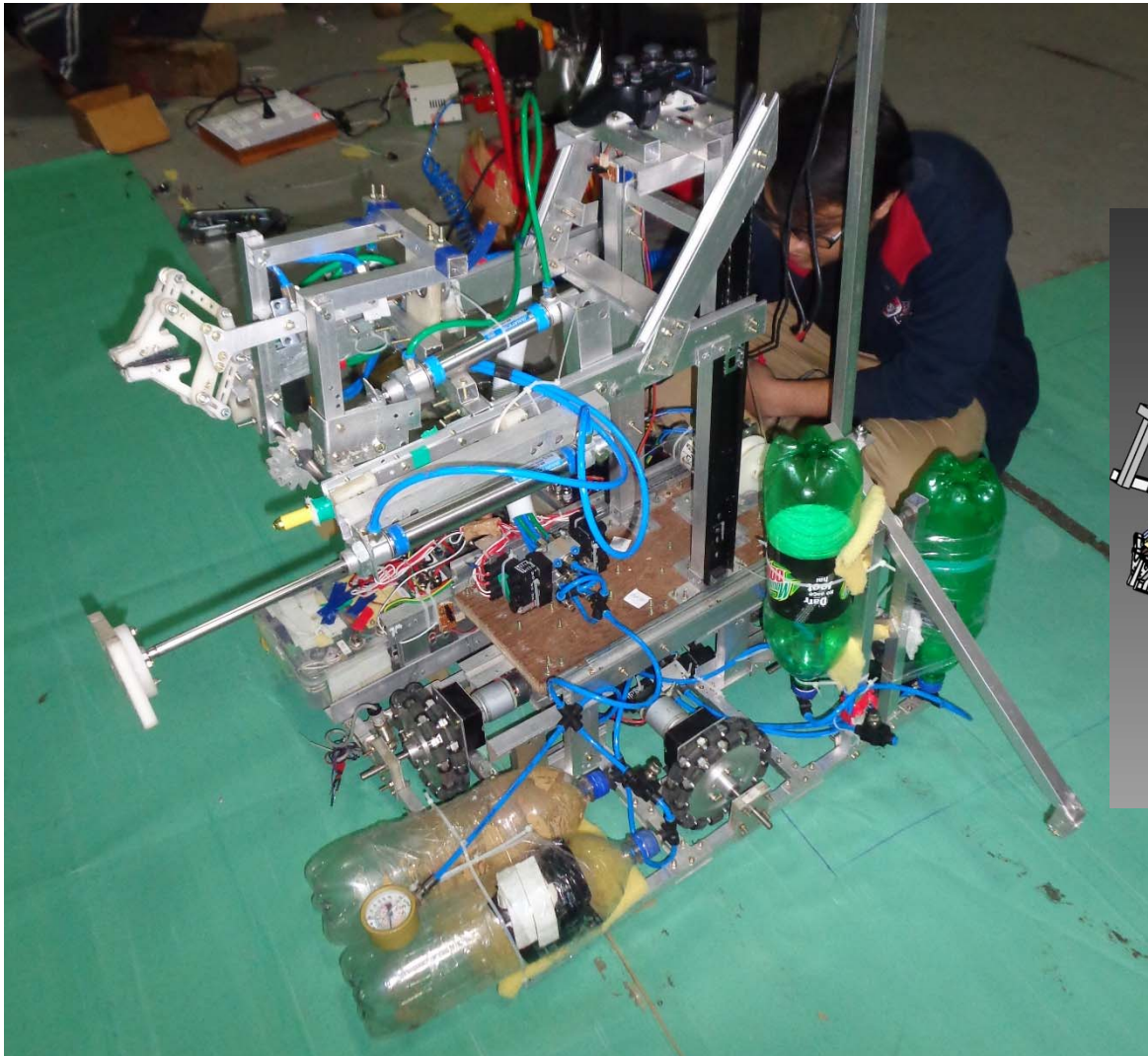
Lever Arm
mechanism



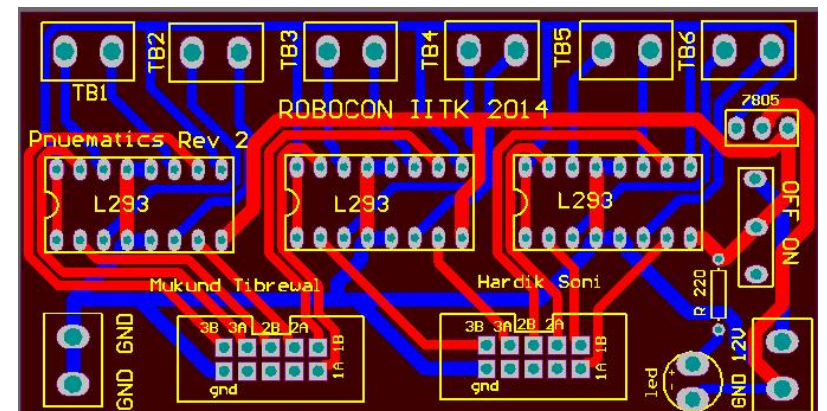
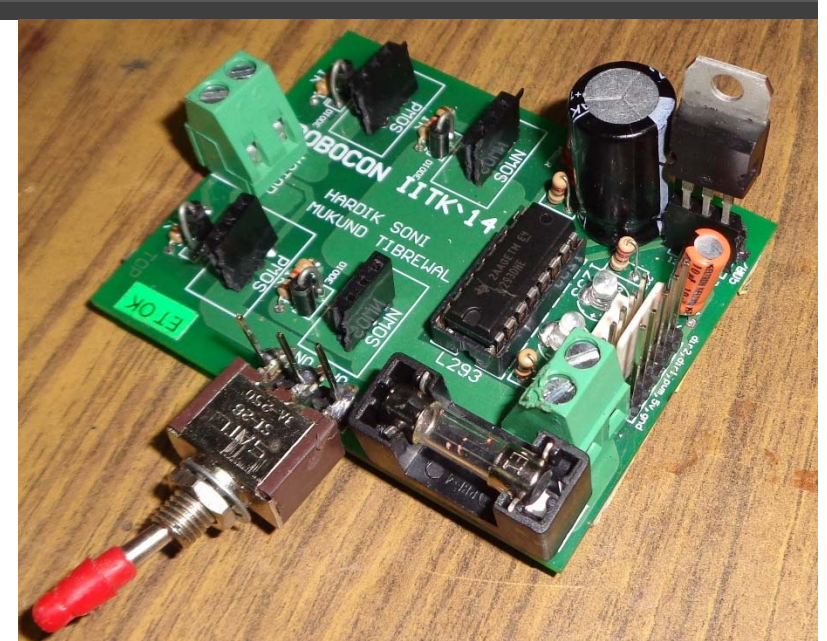
Swing
Pushing
Mechanism

See saw pushing mechanism

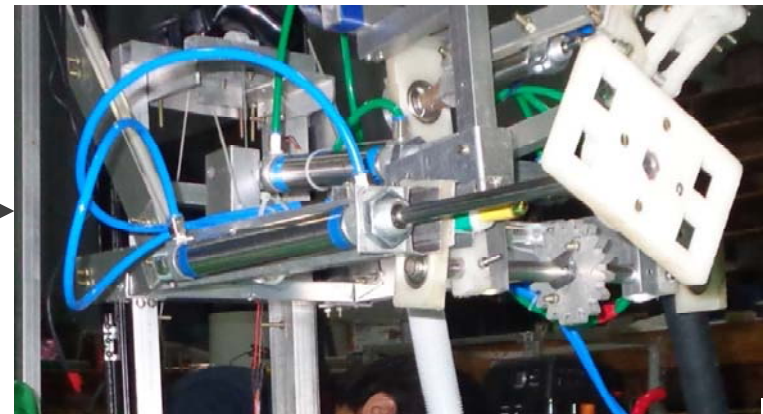
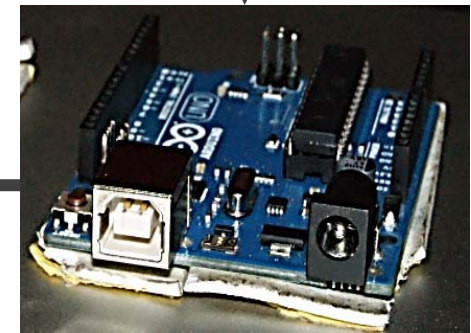
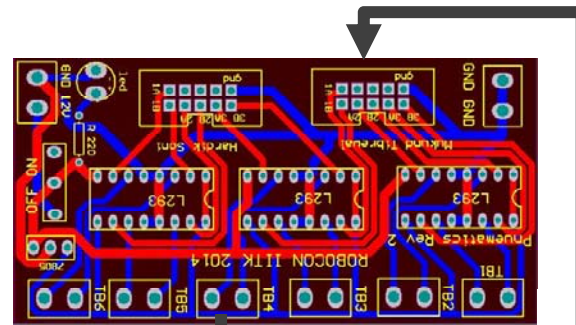
Parent Robot: Reality vs Design



Parent Robot: Electronics



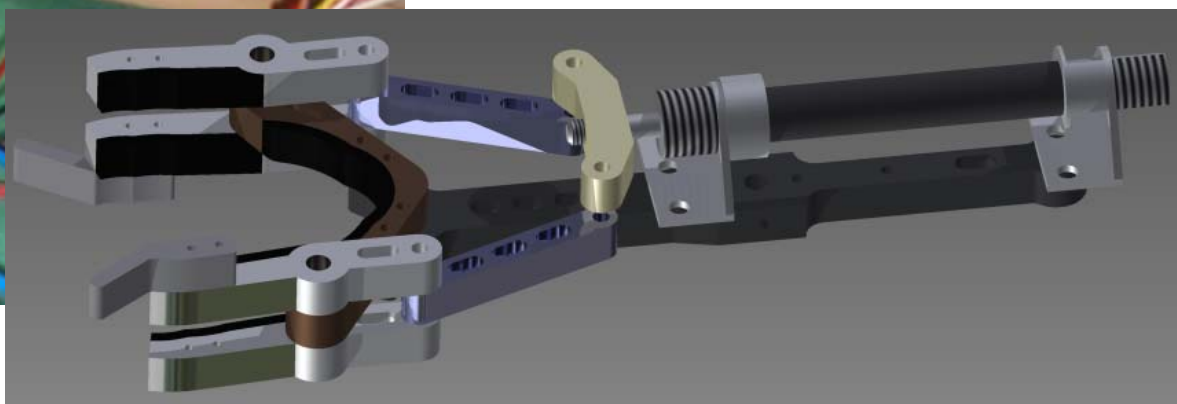
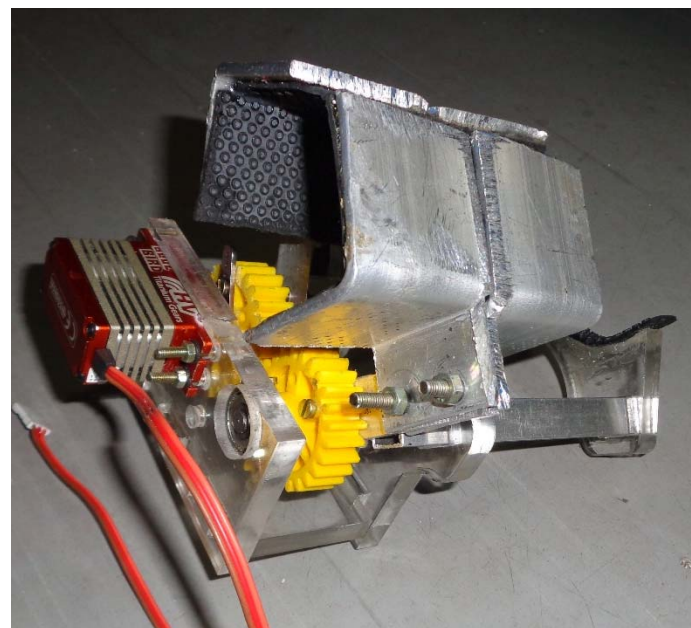
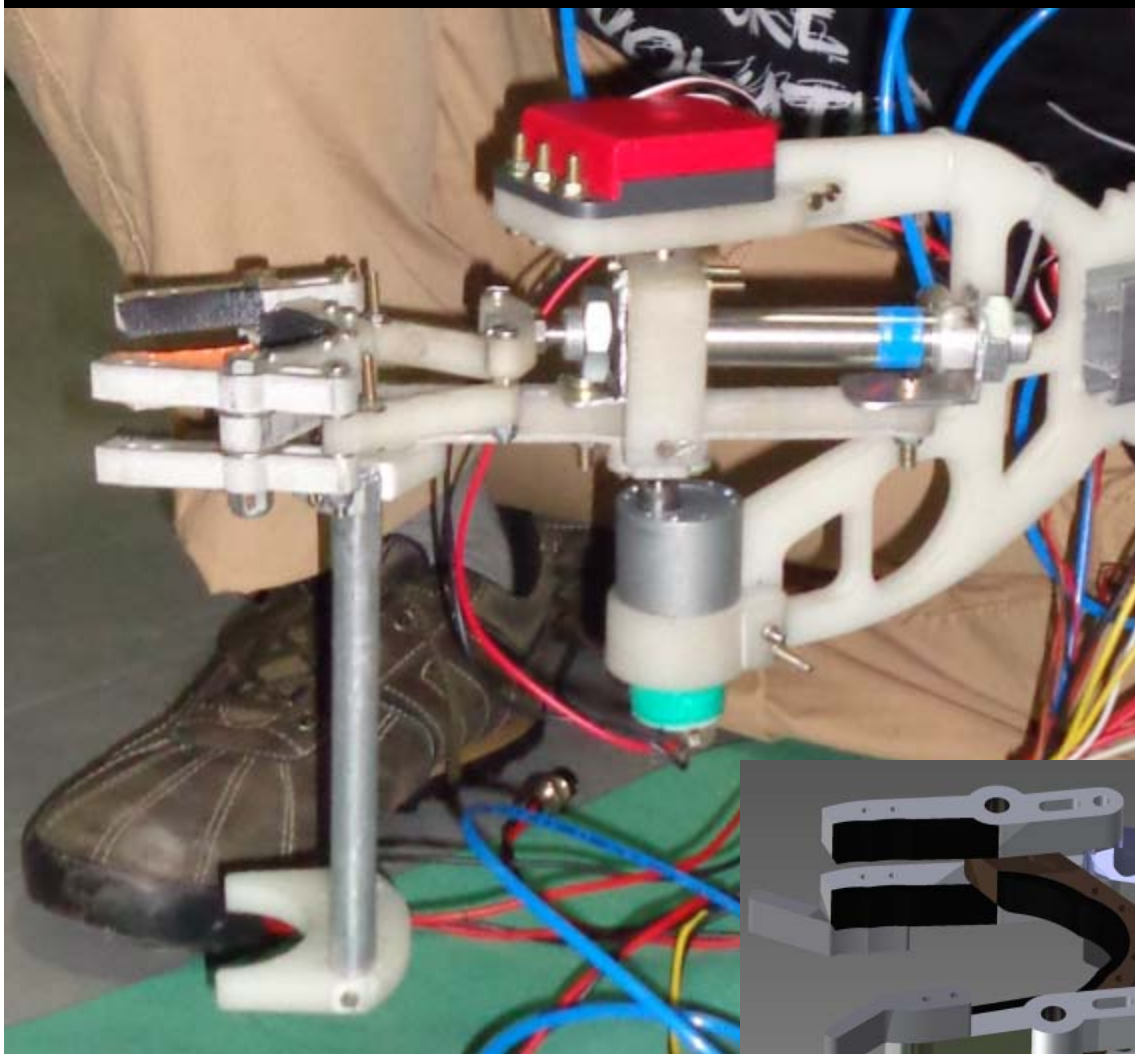
Pneumatics Control



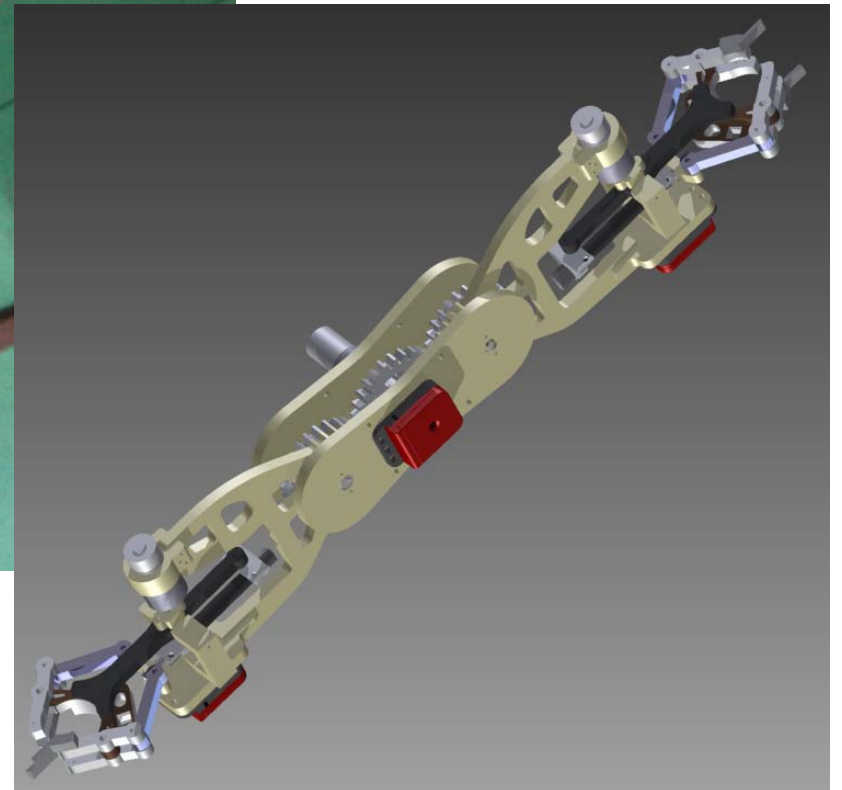


CHILD ROBOT

Child Robot: Gripper Module



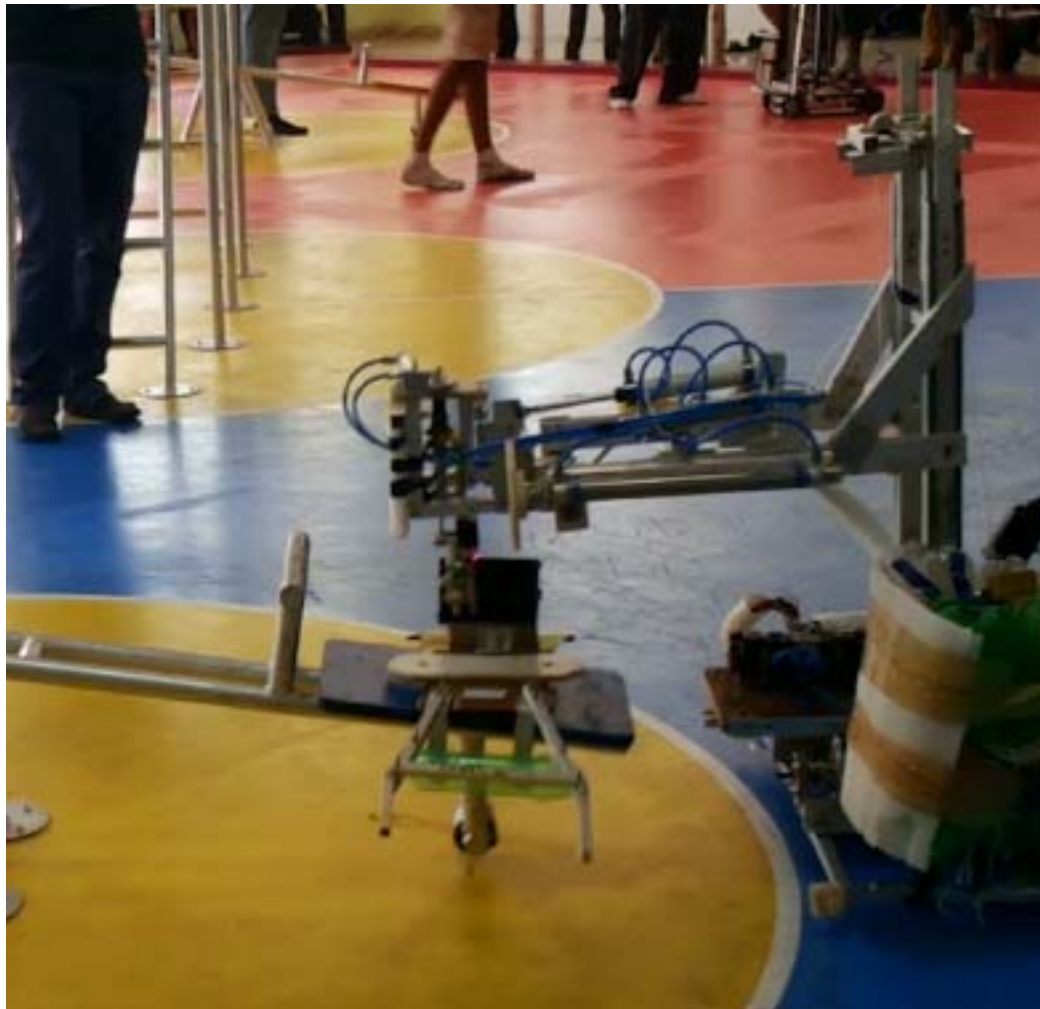
Child Robot: Design



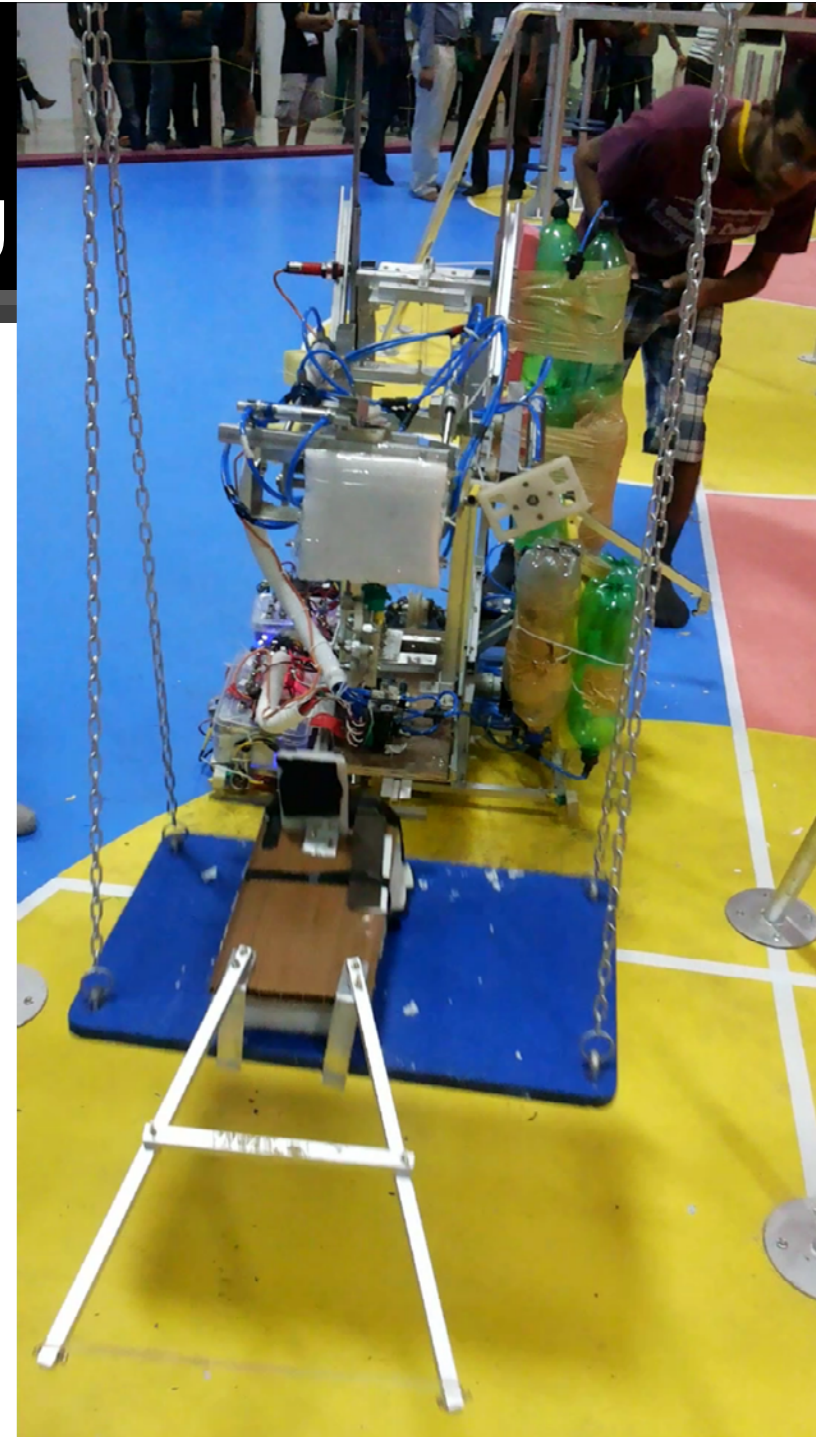
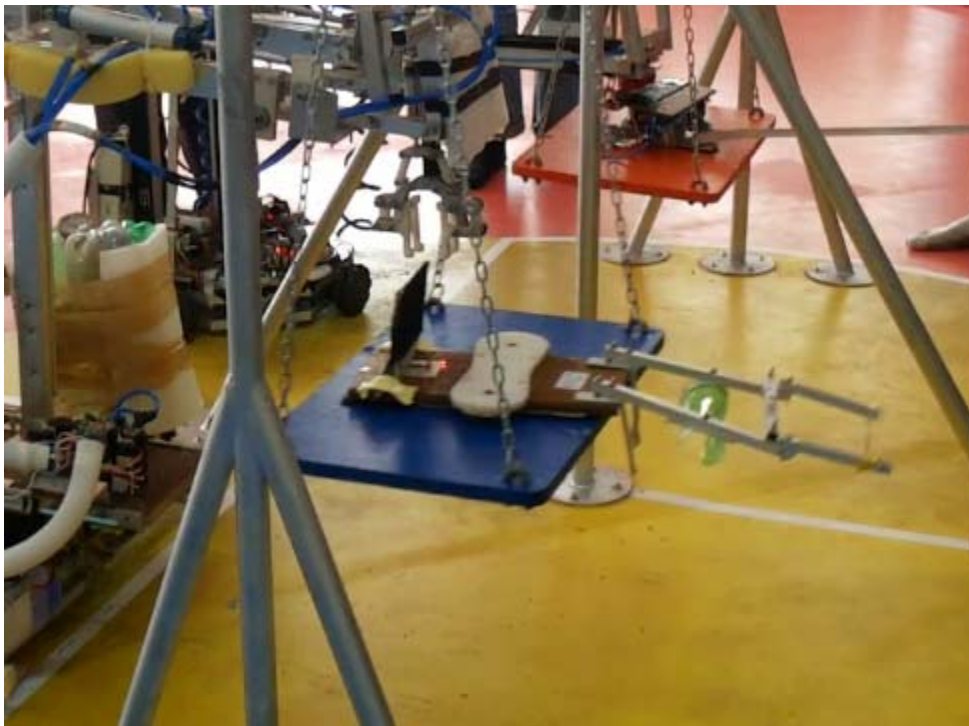


**Results
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Our Performance**

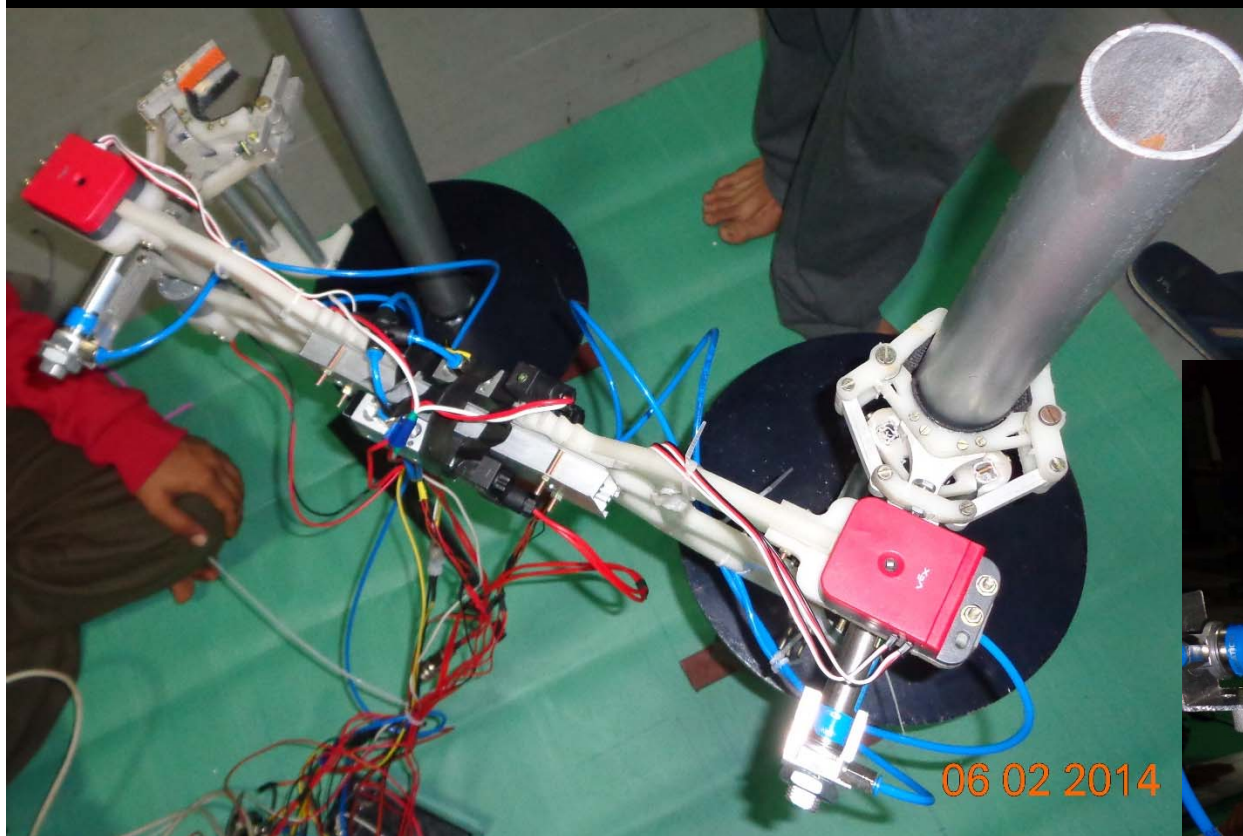
Parent Robot: Sea-Saw



Parent Robot: Swing



Parent Robot: Pole Walk



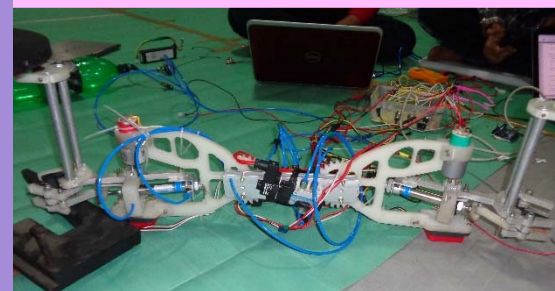
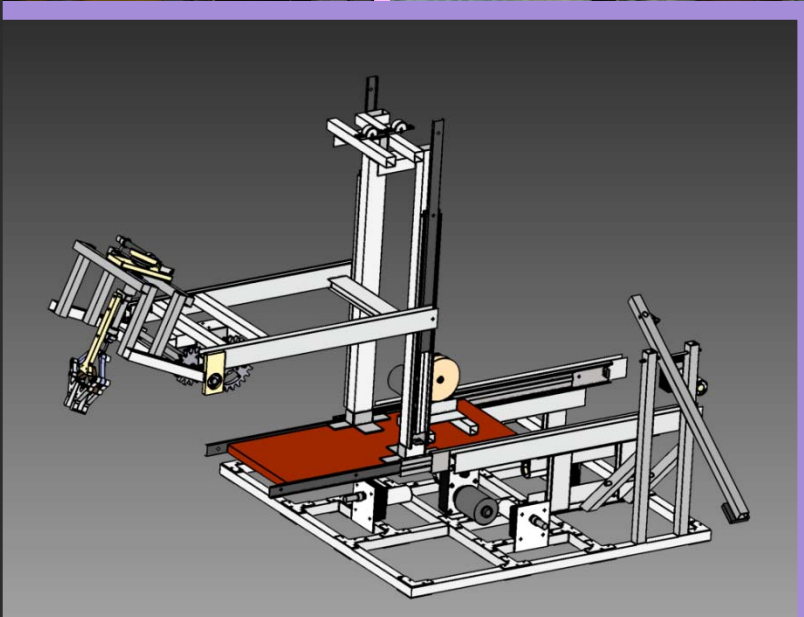
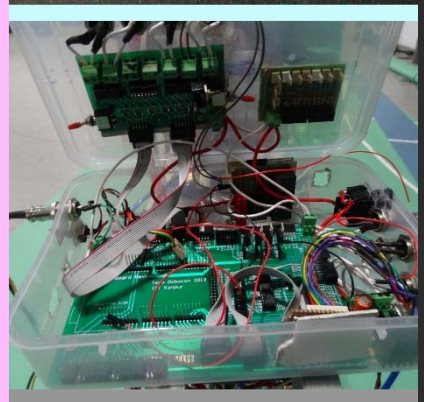
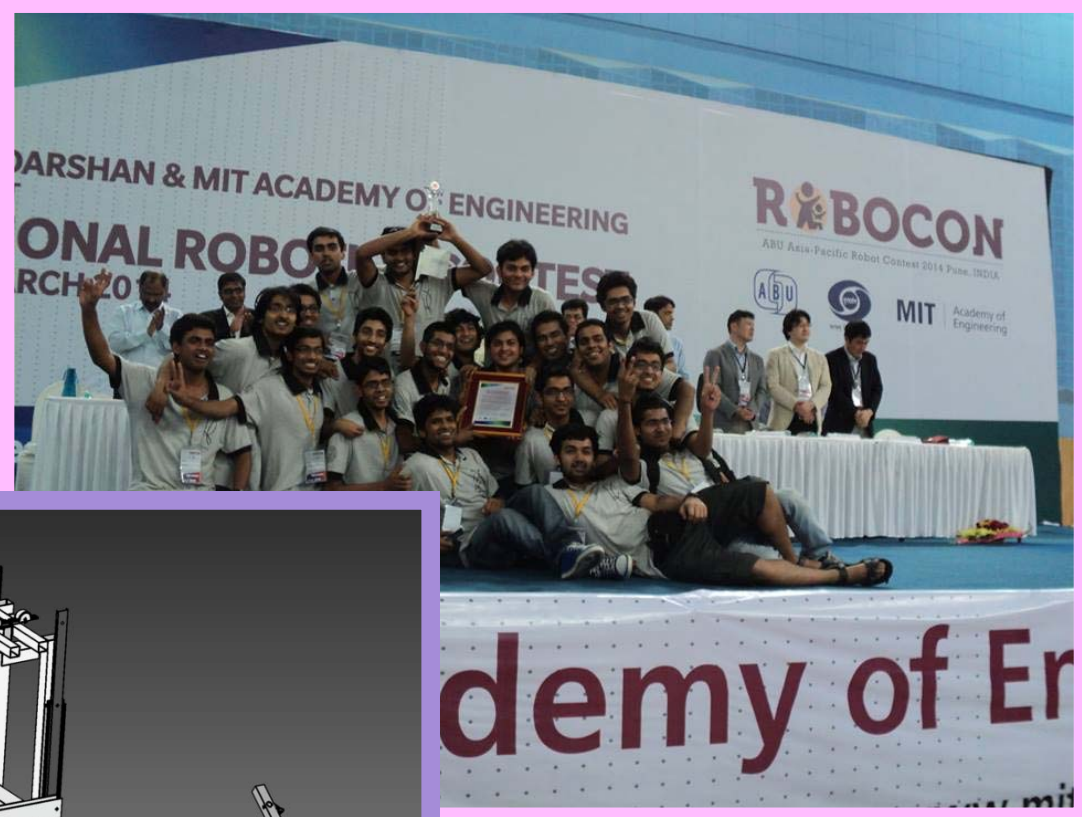
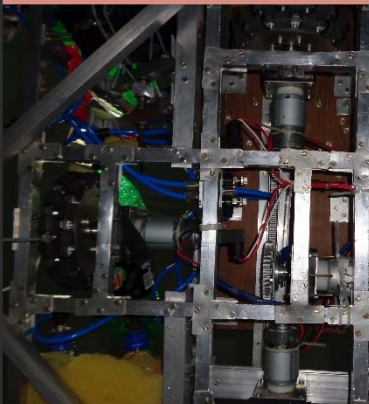
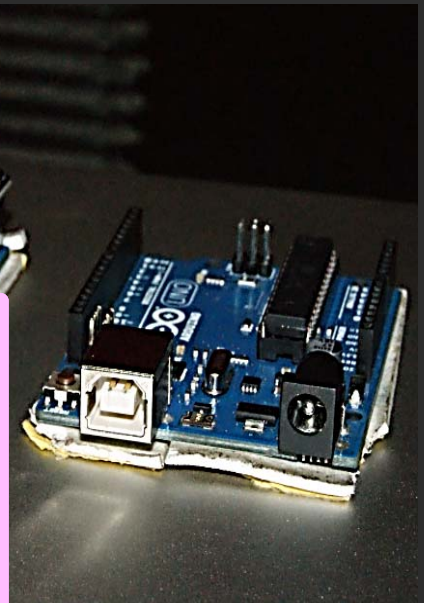
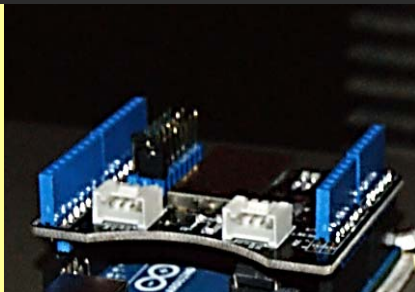
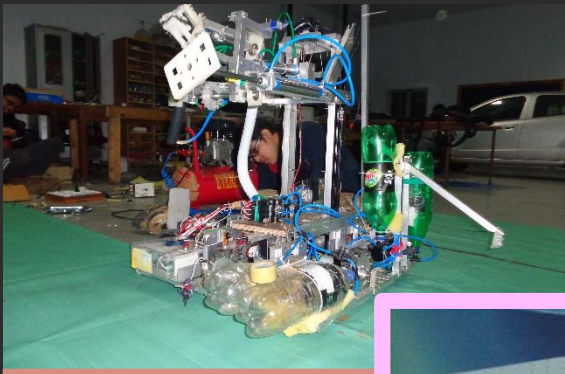
Parent Robot: Pole Walk



The Game

Best Innovative Design Award





Thank You

