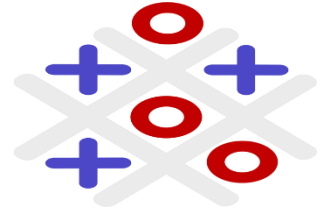


# TicTacToeBot



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A remote operated Tic-Tac-Toe playing robot submitted to the  
**2023 McMaster Engineering Competition**  
Senior Design Challenge

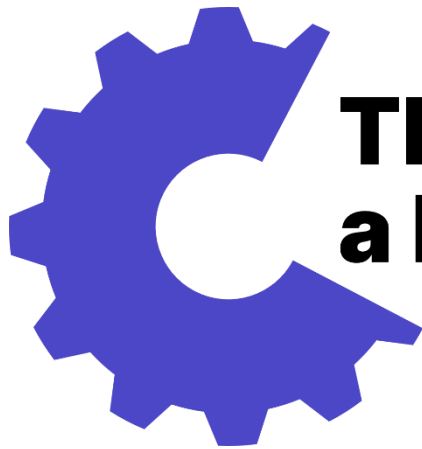
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“

Design and manufacture a vehicle to compete in a tournament-style obstacle course, relaying to win an advanced tic-tac-toe style game.”

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## Our Team:



# Three and a Half Mechs



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**Three and  
a Half Mechs**

## Objectives

- ✘ Compete and Win Against Other Teams
- ✘ Small, Lightweight, and Fast Design
- ✘ Fully Wireless System

## Constraints

- ✘ Max 2 Breadboards
- ✘ Max 2 ESP32 Modules
- ✘ Max 1 Motor Driver
- ✘ Bot cannot touch course boundaries.

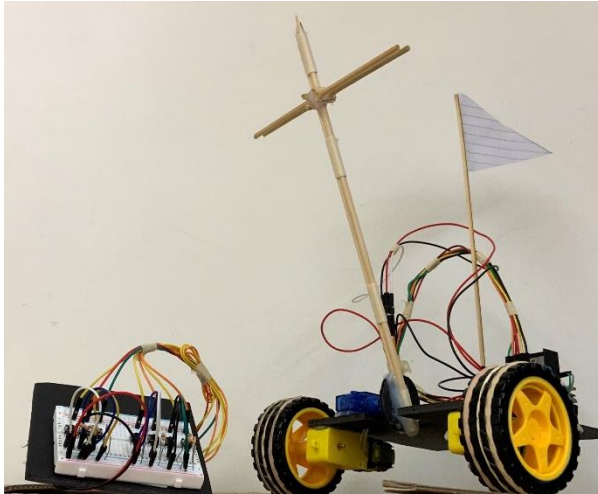
## Bill Of Materials

- ✘ 1x Ball Bearing Wheels
- ✘ 2x ESP8266 + cables
- ✘ 1x Foam poster board
- ✘ 1x 9-gram servo
- ✘ 2x Motors
- ✘ 2x Motor Wheels
- ✘ 2x 9V batteries + 2 connectors
- ✘ 1x L298N motor driver
- ✘ 1x Breadboard Jumper cables
- ✘ Sticks Craft cabinet Resistor Box
- ✘ 1x Pipe Cleaner
- ✘ 6x Rubber Bands
- ✘ 5x Wooden Skewers
- ✘ Duct Tape
- ✘ Masking Tape
- ✘ Hot glue gun & glue sticks
- ✘ Lined Paper
- ✘ 7x buttons

Presenting Our

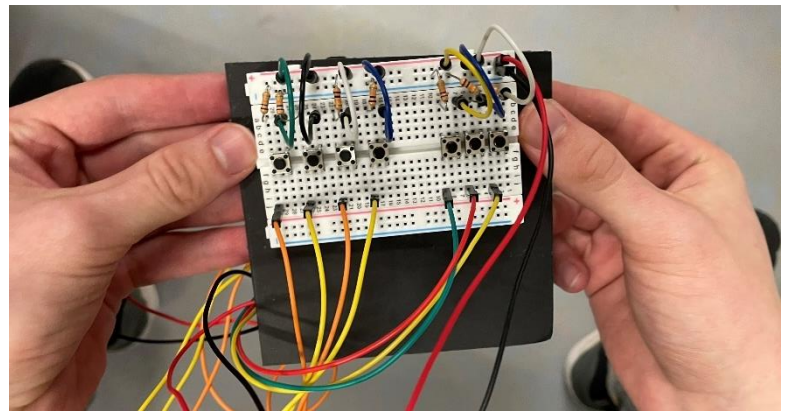
# Final Design

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**The  
TicTacToeBot**

**The  
Controller**



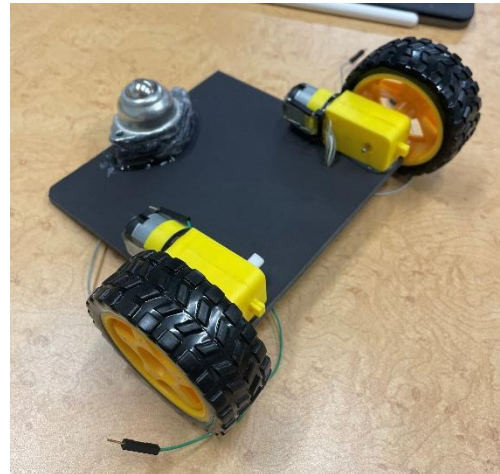
Our Design

# Components

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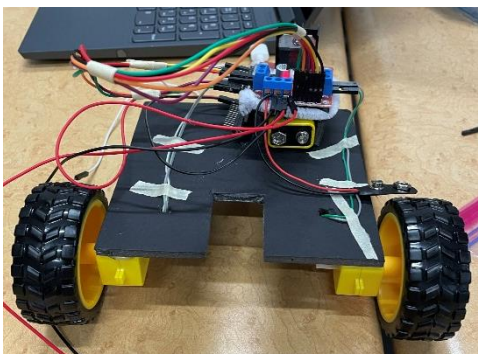
## The Base

- ✘ 3 Points of Contact
- ✘ 360-degree Spinning
- ✘ Small area
- ✘ Effective use of material
- ✘ Ease of component removal



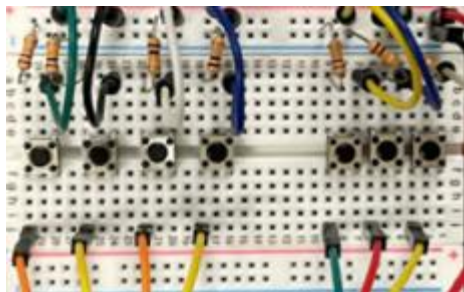
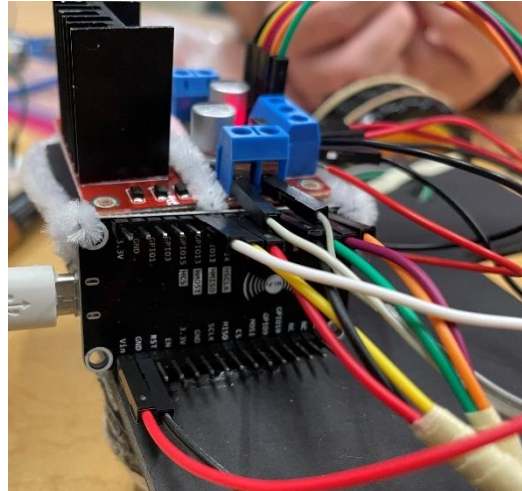
## The Lever

- ✘ Long reach
- ✘ End-Point Rotation
- ✘ Compact center of mass
- ✘ Simple and Efficient



## The Brain

- ✗ ESP32 Module
- ✗ Facilitates wireless Communication
- ✗ Reduced Interference
- ✗ Pin-Accessible Mounting Point



## The Controller

- ✗ Directional Control
- ✗ Lever Elevation Buttons
- ✗ Dedicated Spin Button
- ✗ Low Latency Polling

## The Code

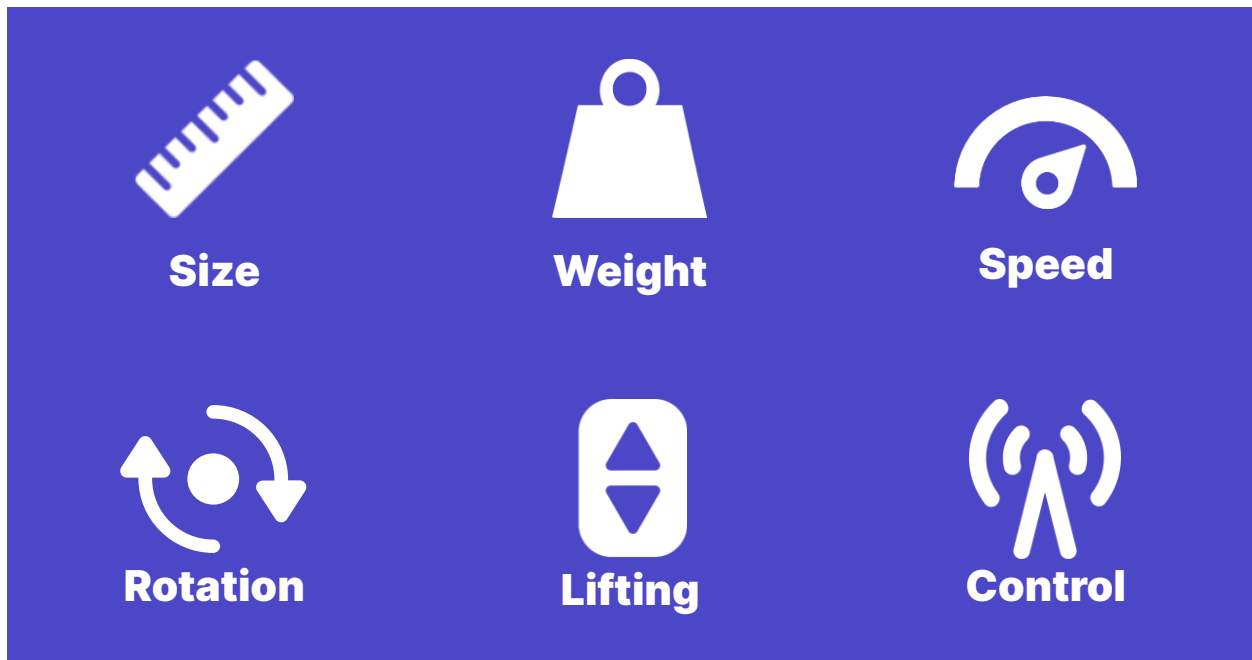
- ✗ Fault Tolerant
- ✗ Modular
- ✗ Facilitates Wi-Fi Communication

<https://github.com/agoodyer/TicTacToeBot>

Our Design

# Justification

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Being the smallest, lightest, and fastest bot in the competition, the TicTacToeBot design is purposefully minimalistic in design.

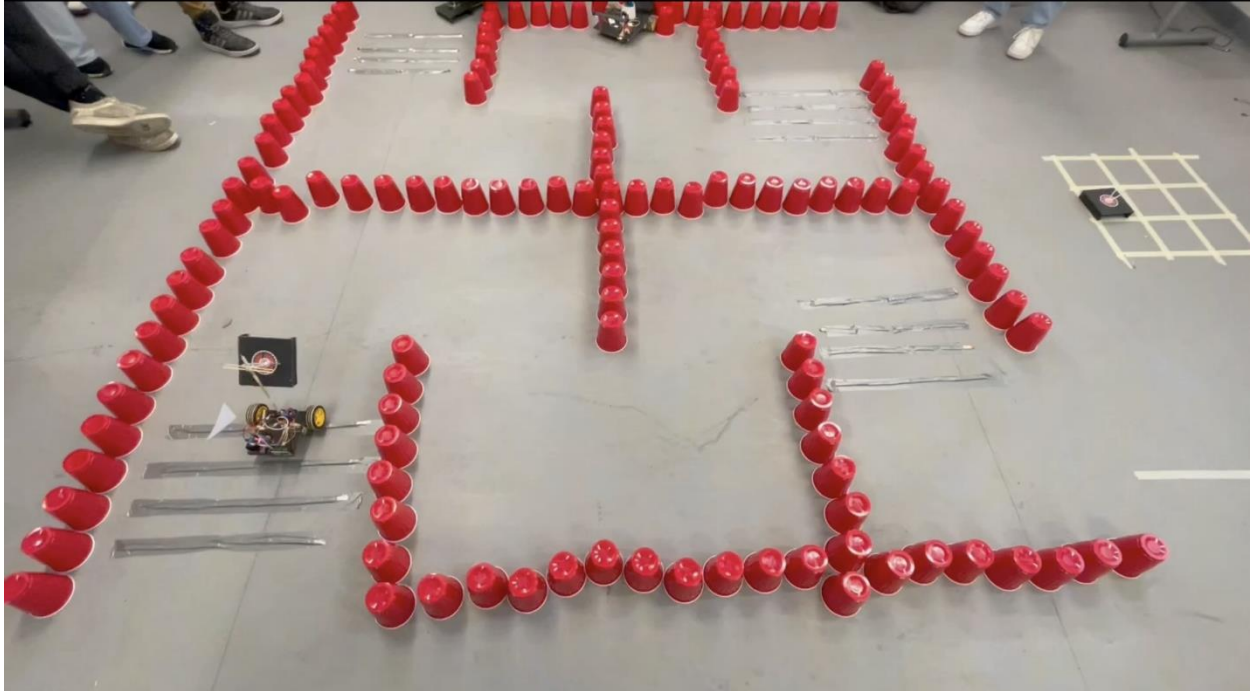
Featuring a dedicated **SPIN** button, the TicTacToeBot can make nimble direction changes by rotating its wheels in opposing directions, similar to a tank turn.

The TicTacToeBot opts for a fully wireless Wi-Fi enabled robot and controller system, to make the bot as independent as possible.

TicTacToeBot

# In Action

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[A Clip of TicTacToeBot Traversing the Course](#)

- ★ Achieved **Fastest Time-To-Complete** of Any Competing Team
- ★ Placed **2<sup>nd</sup> Overall** in the Competition (\$200 Prize)