Brainstorming

Goal: Design and build a robot to successfully compete in 2021-2022 Vex Tipping Point Robotics Competition. Game consists of 7 goals scattered around the game field, 2 platforms on opposing sides, and rings to place on goals. Teams must effectively move and place goals on their side to score points. Additionally, teams may intake rings and place them on branches of the goals for points and park on the platform for a 40 point bonus at the end of the match.

Please refer to picture below for game details

Insert tipping point poster here

Initial design

- Lift idea: 2 bar forklift to move goals around the field and place them on platforms.
- intake design (ring scoring): Construct an intake utilizing vex fins over a plexiglass ramp where they will drop and get stacked on a pole. This pole would be connected to a 2 bar lift and bring up the rings to high branches of tall goals for a 10 point bonus per ring.
- H- 2 motor drive base

Final design:

- Lift idea: Pneumatic 2 bar claw lift to grab goals and place them around the field and on platforms
- Rear goal holder: Hold a second goal in the back of the robot.
- Intake idea: Intake utilizing vex fins to scoop up rings onto plexiglass ramps. Rings travel up ramp where they drop off into the goal held in the back of the robot (rear goal holder) for 1-3 point bonus per ring depending on if it lands on branch or in the barrel of the goal
- H- drive 4 motor base

Take a look at our engineering notebook below for more information

Materials:

- Screws
- Aluminum C- Channels
- Aluminum 1x1
- Steel 1x1
- Aluminum Stand-off
- Aluminum L- Channel
- Aluminum Trusses
- Aluminum plates
- Steel rails

- Aluminum axles
- Steel axles
- Shaft Collars
- Keps nuts
- Nyloc nuts
- Bearings
- Mesh
- Plastic High strength gears
- Plastic low Strength gears
- Omni wheels (6)
- Flex Wheel (2)
- Plastic Fins
- Plastic Chain
- Plastic sheets
- Plexiglass
- Pneumatics
- Pneumatic tank (2)
- Pneumatic tubes
- Pneumatic valve/ switch

Electronics

- V5 motors (8)
- V5 Brain
- Wires
- Inertial sensor (2)
- Pneumatic Solenoid (2)

Reflection

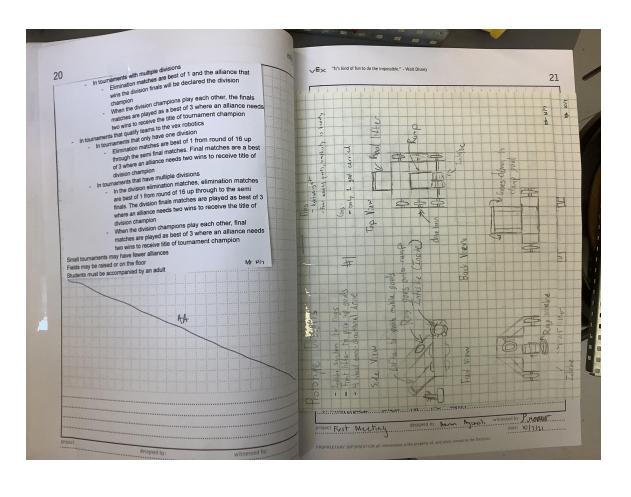
The construction of our Tipping Point robot was a great learning experience. We were able to increase our exposure to engineering while expanding our aptitude in the field. However, this STEM night project wasn't just about engineering and calculations but rather it helped us to further build up our team communication and chemistry.

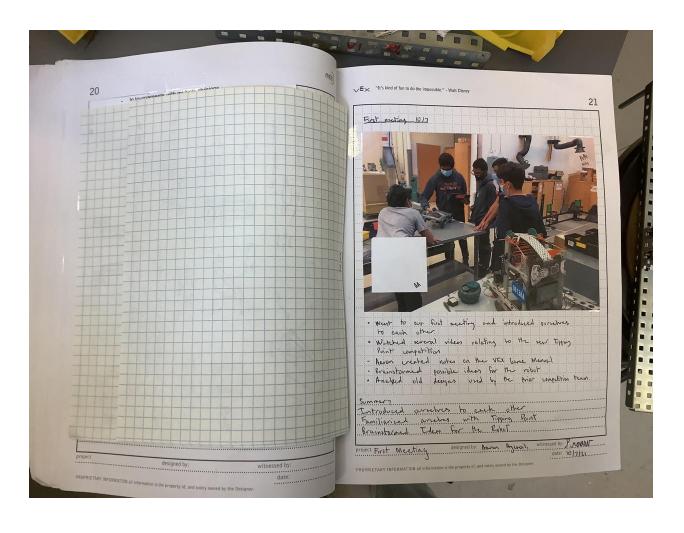
 Overall: greatly enjoyed the event and the journey it took to get there. Future POE students are in for a very unique experience.

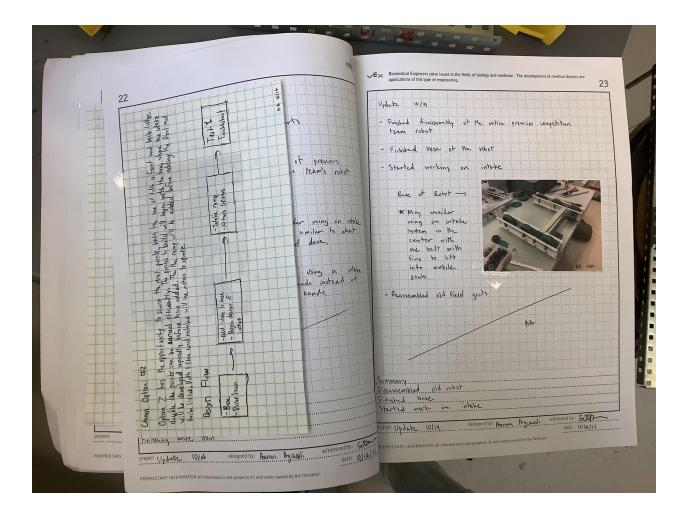
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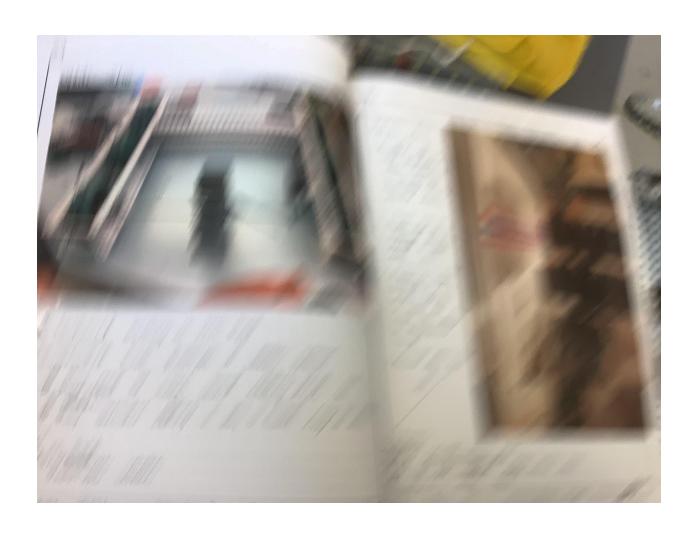
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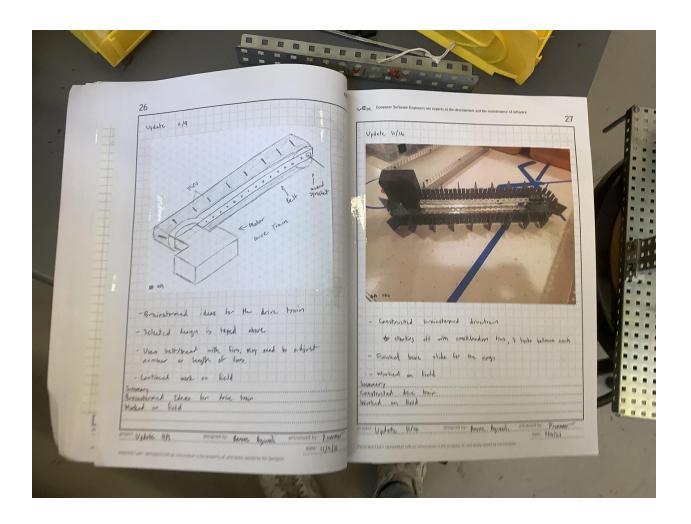
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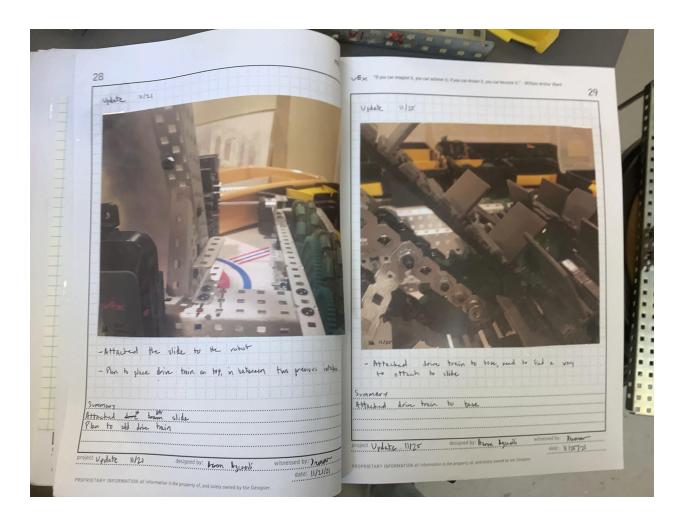


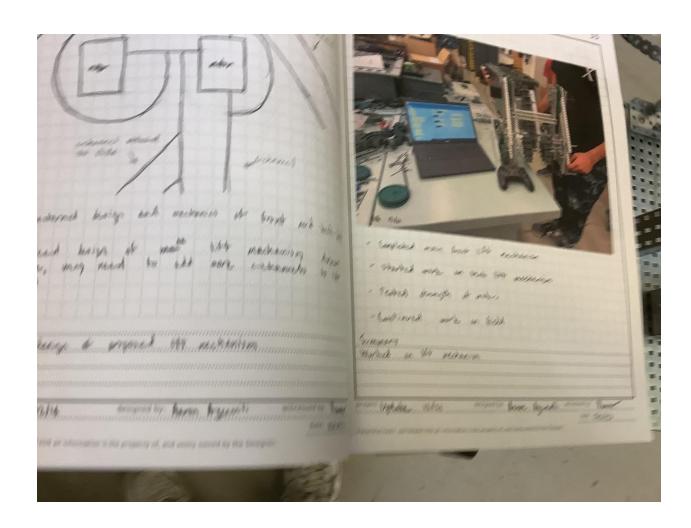


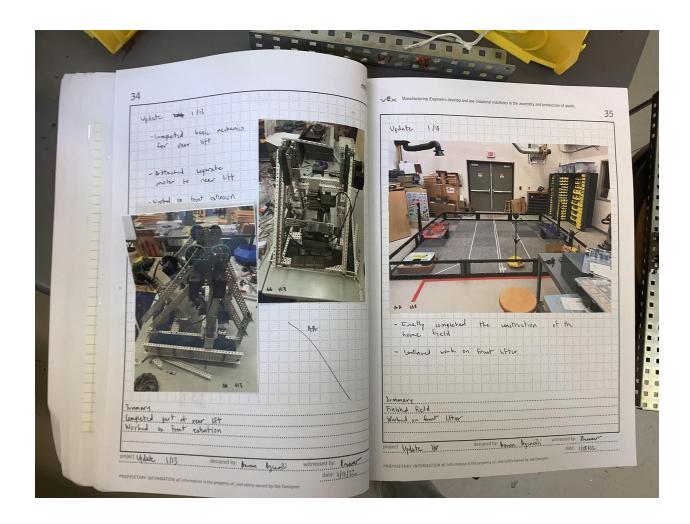


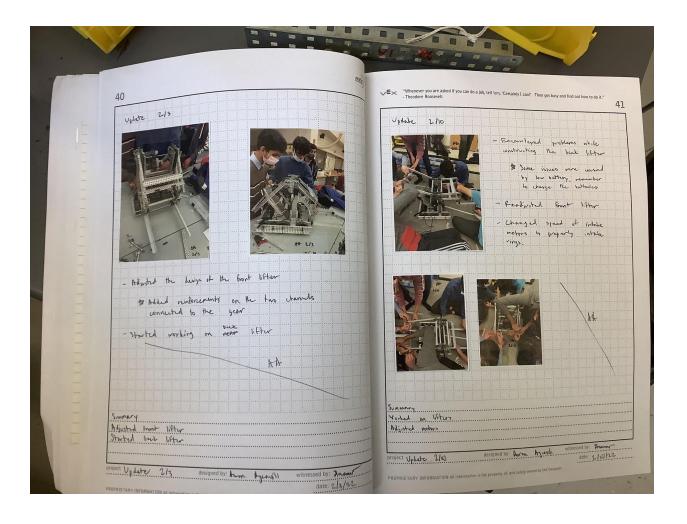


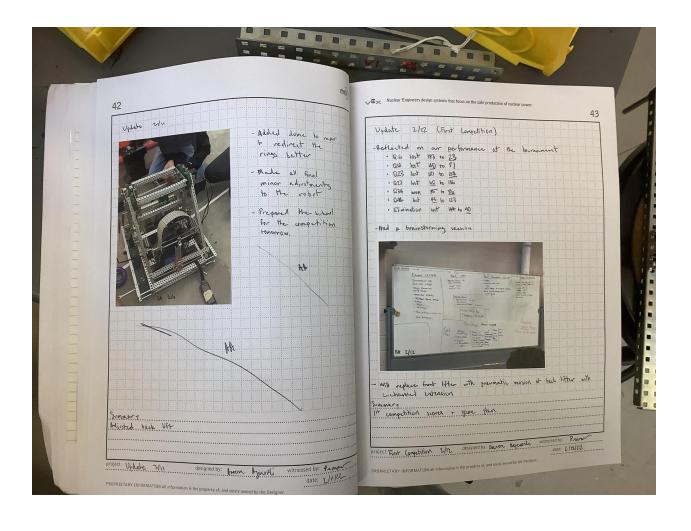


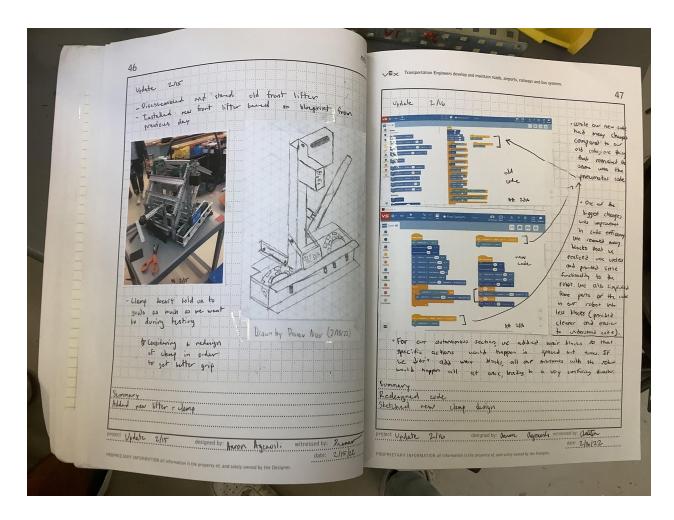




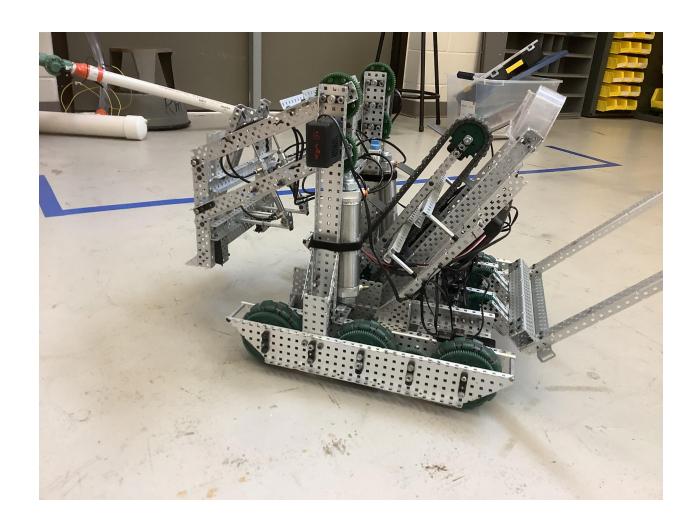


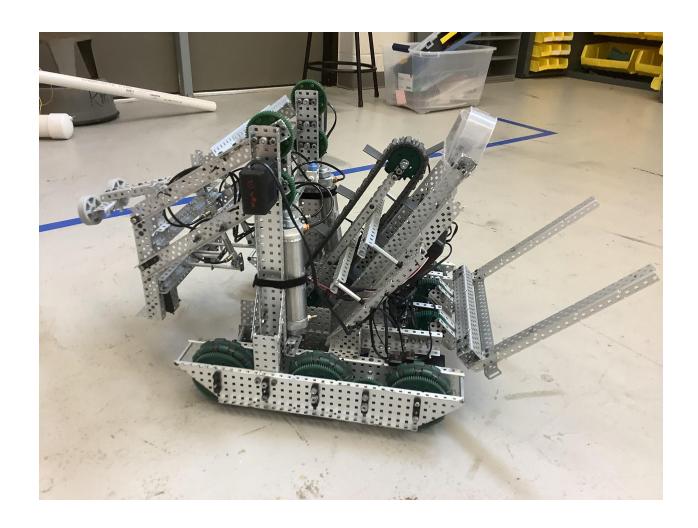


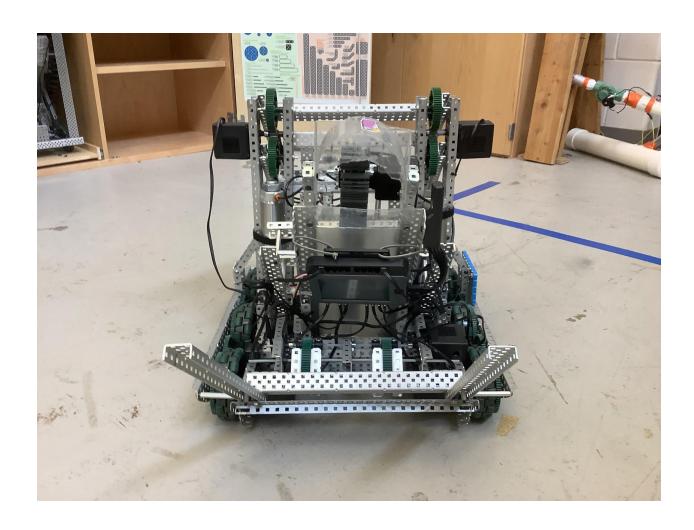


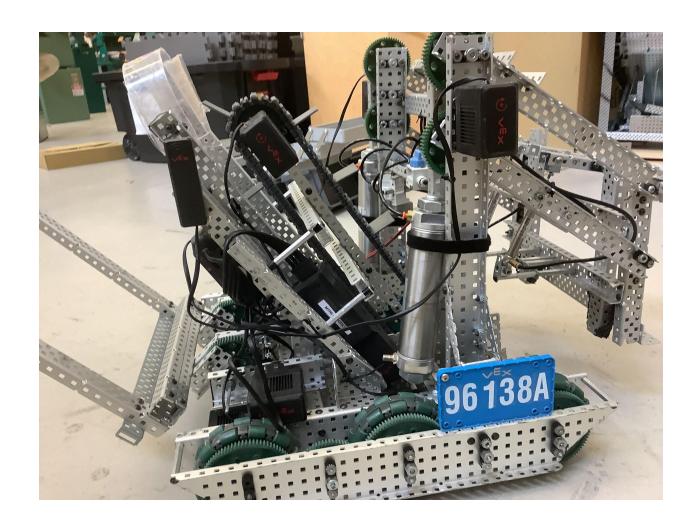


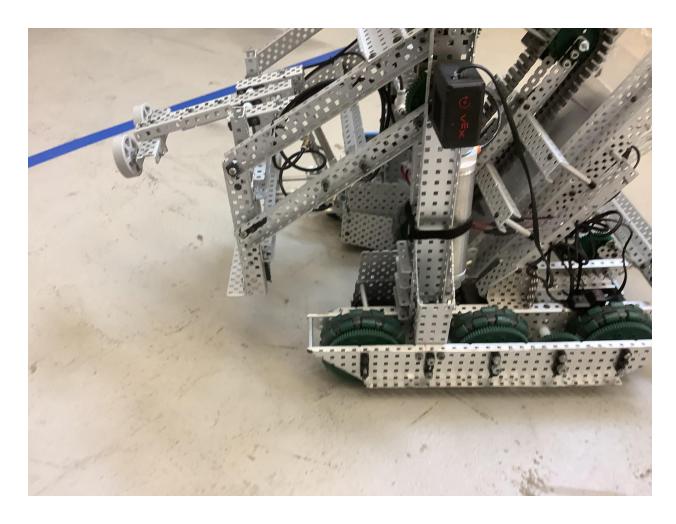
ROBOT:











Code: https://github.com/mridhanbalaji/Tipping-Point-Season-Code-2021---2020-