

2015 FRC Control System

Beta Test by Team 1209

Overview

New Components

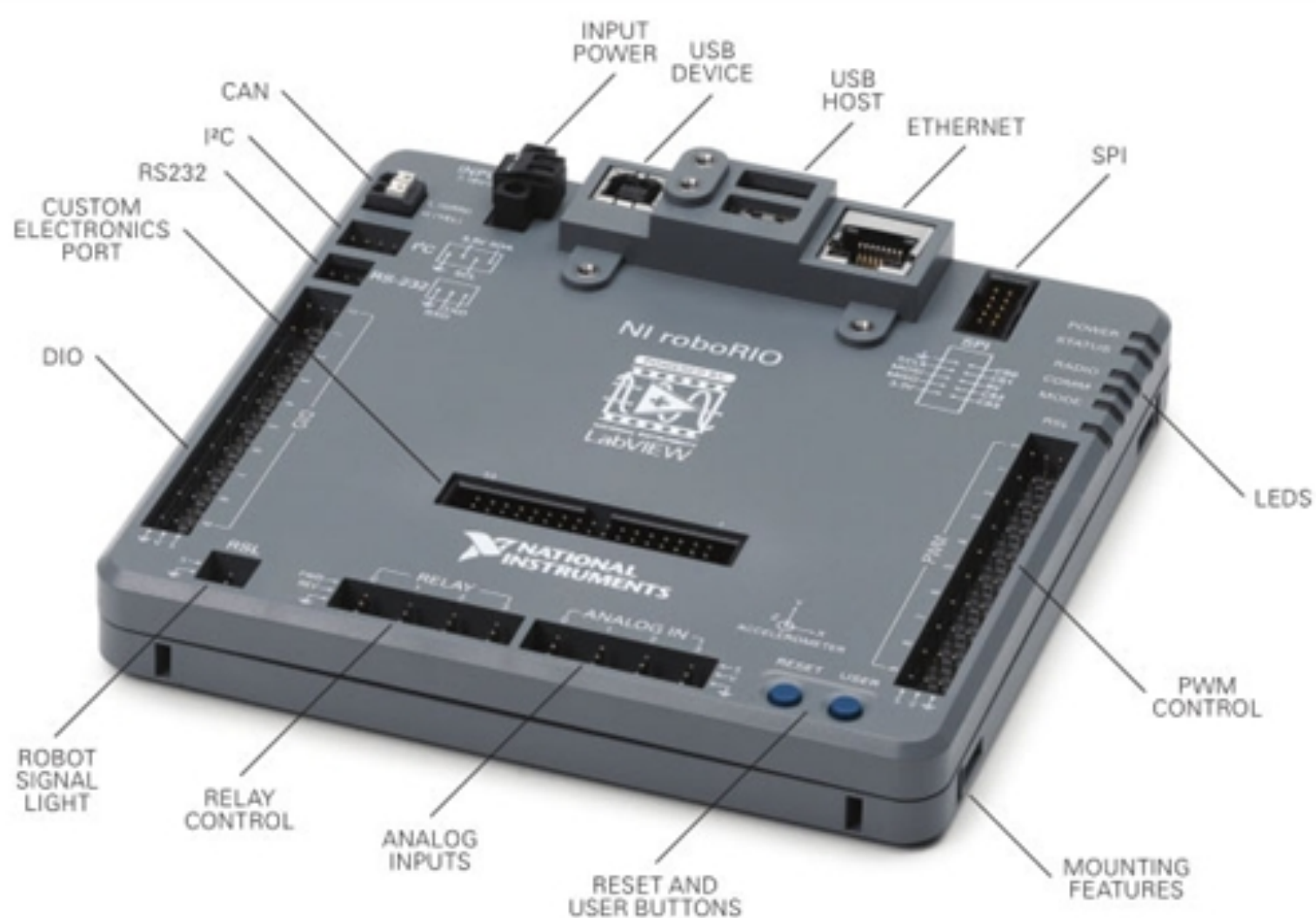
- RoboRIO
- Power Distribution Panel (PDP)
- Pneumatics Control Module (PCM)
- Voltage Regulator Module (VRM)
- Victor SP

RoboRIO

Capabilities

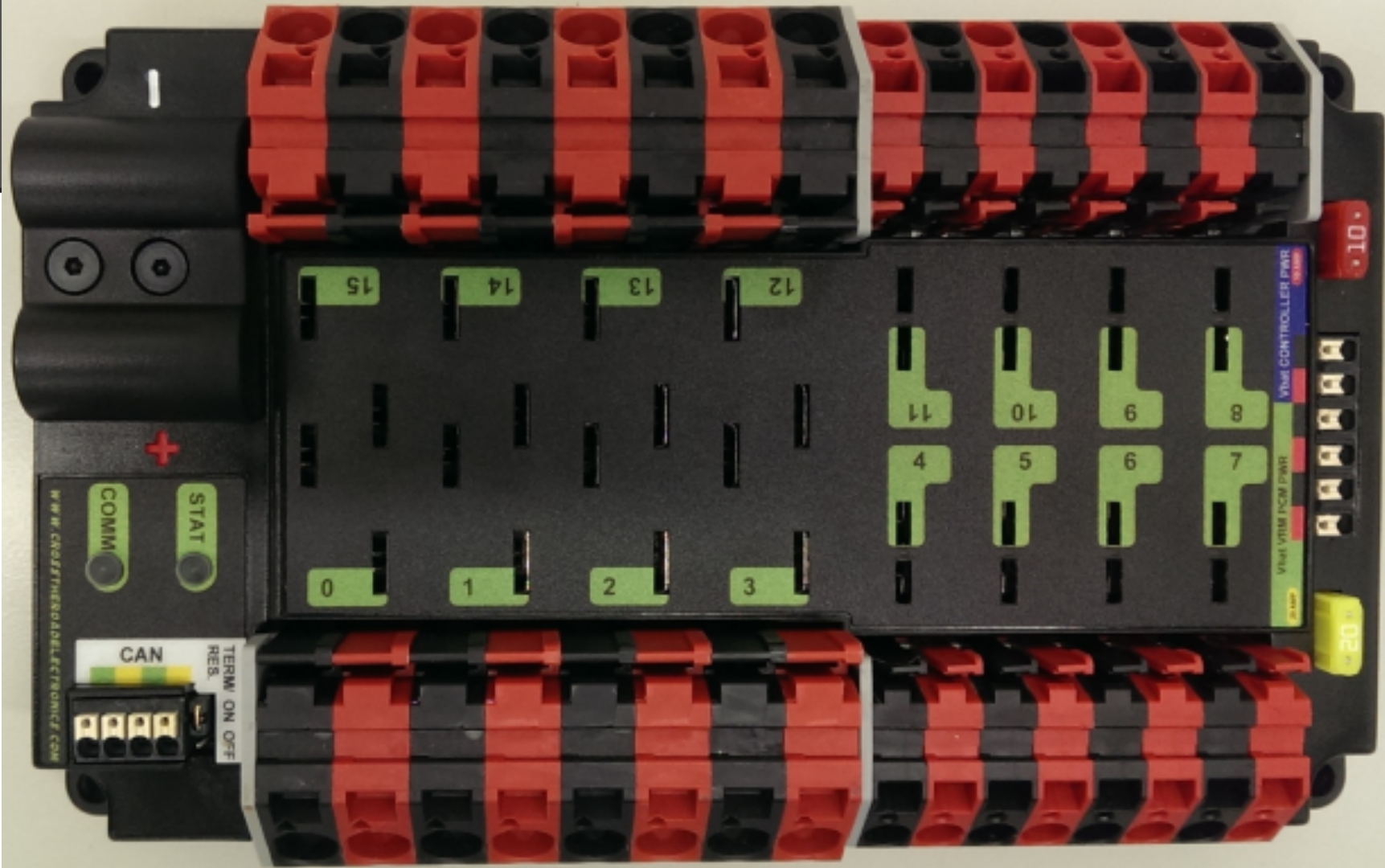
- Combines functions of cRIO and digital sidecar
- Built-in accelerometer
- CAN
- Two USB ports
- User-customizable I/O
- 5.75" x 5.625" x 1.375"





Power Distribution Panel

- Same snap-action breakers and WAGO connections as old PDB
- Similar size
- CAN connection with built-in terminator
 - Can give current of any power channel
 - Do not change default device ID



PDP Connectors

- Old screw terminals are too large
- Must be able to crimp 6 AWG wire
(We recommend using a swedge tool)
- Weidmuller connectors 16-20 AWG
(Tinning recommended; Don't twist wires)



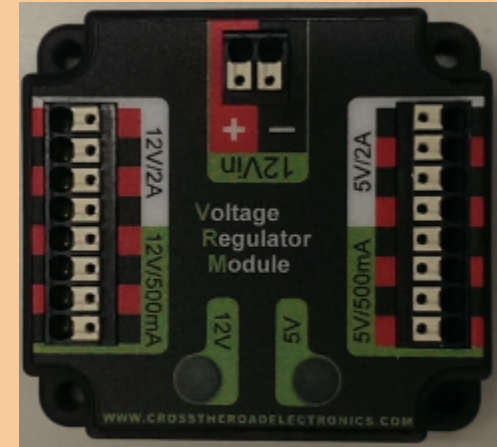
Pneumatics Control Module

- Compressor power
- Pressure switch
- Eight solenoids, 12 or 24 V
- CAN connection required
- Do not change the default device ID



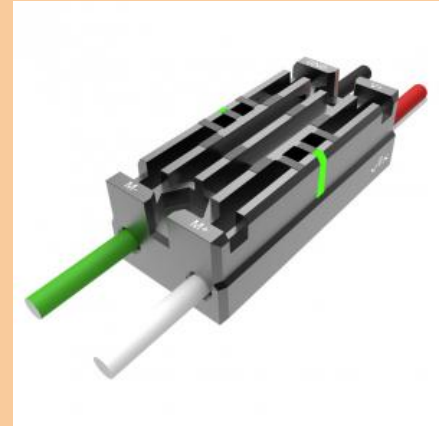
Voltage Regulator Module

- Eight power channels
 - 12V/2A x2
 - 12V/500mA x2
 - 5V/2A x2
 - 5V/500mA x2

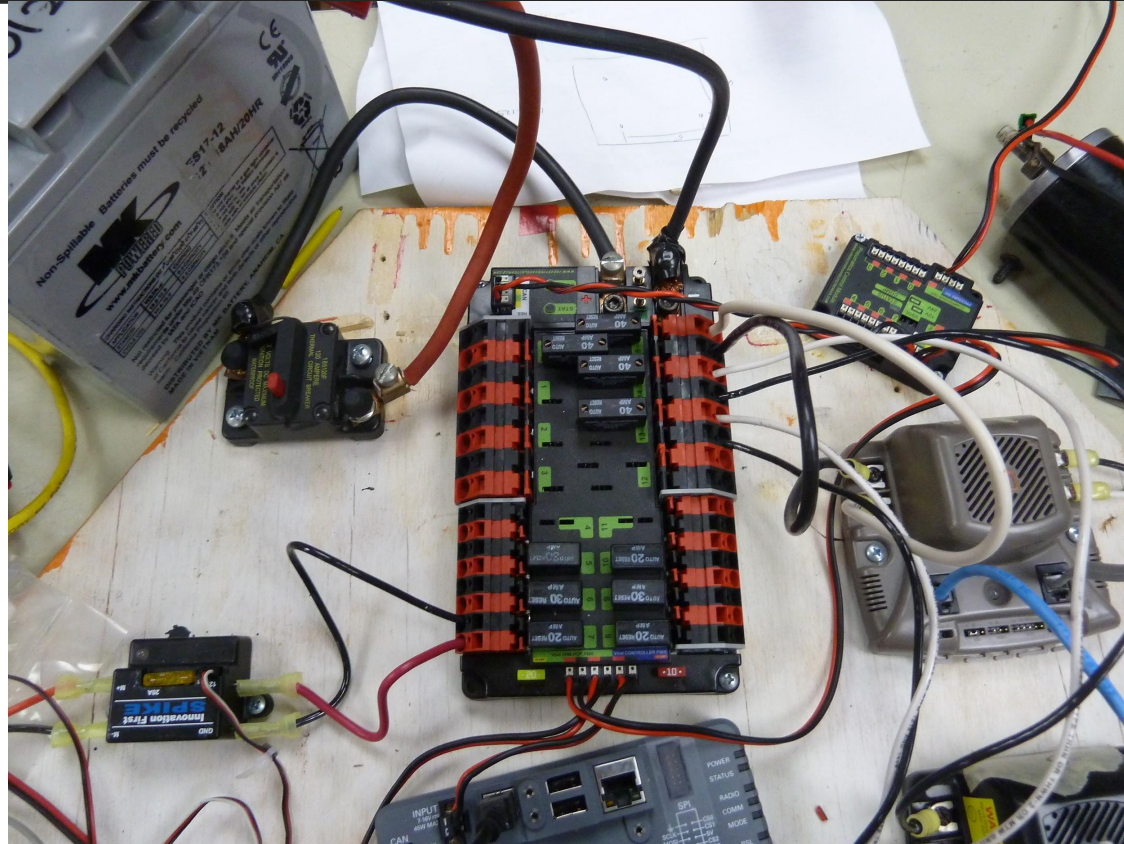


Victor SP

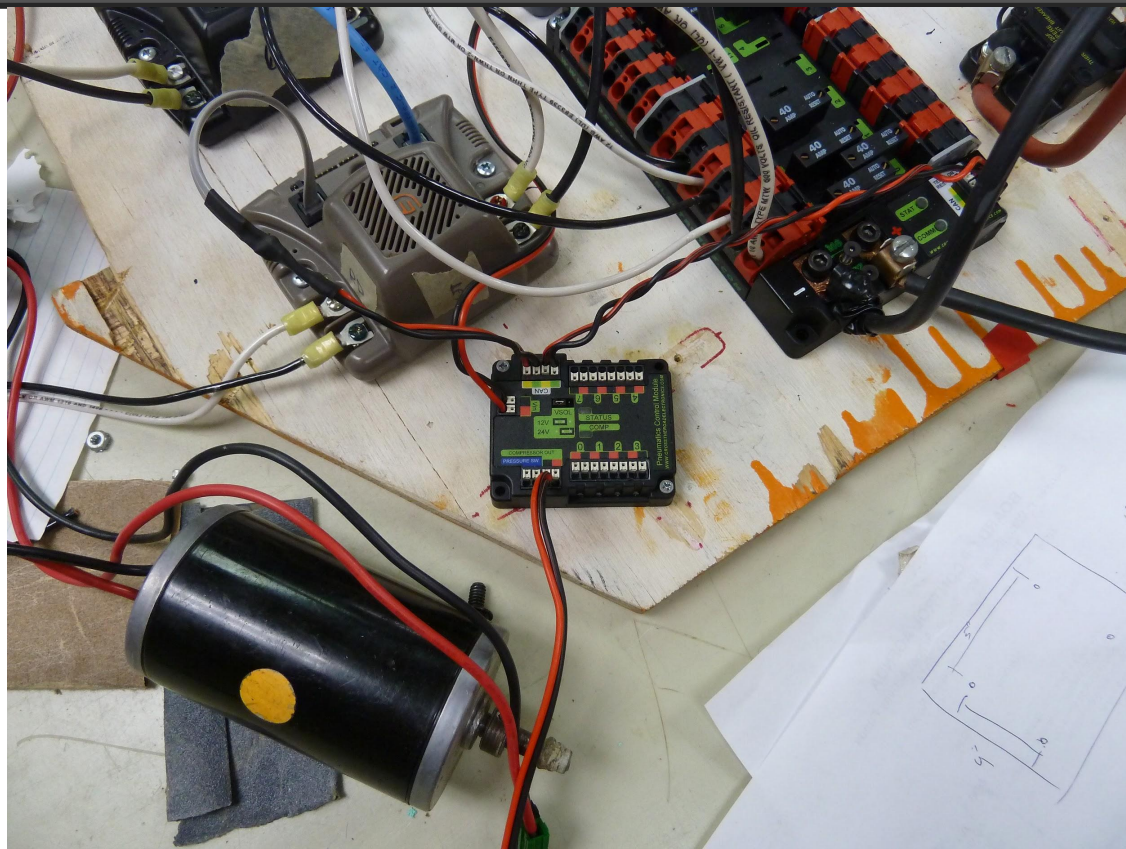
- PWM Motor Controller
- Exactly like a Victor 888 but smaller package
- No fan, so no worry of metal shavings



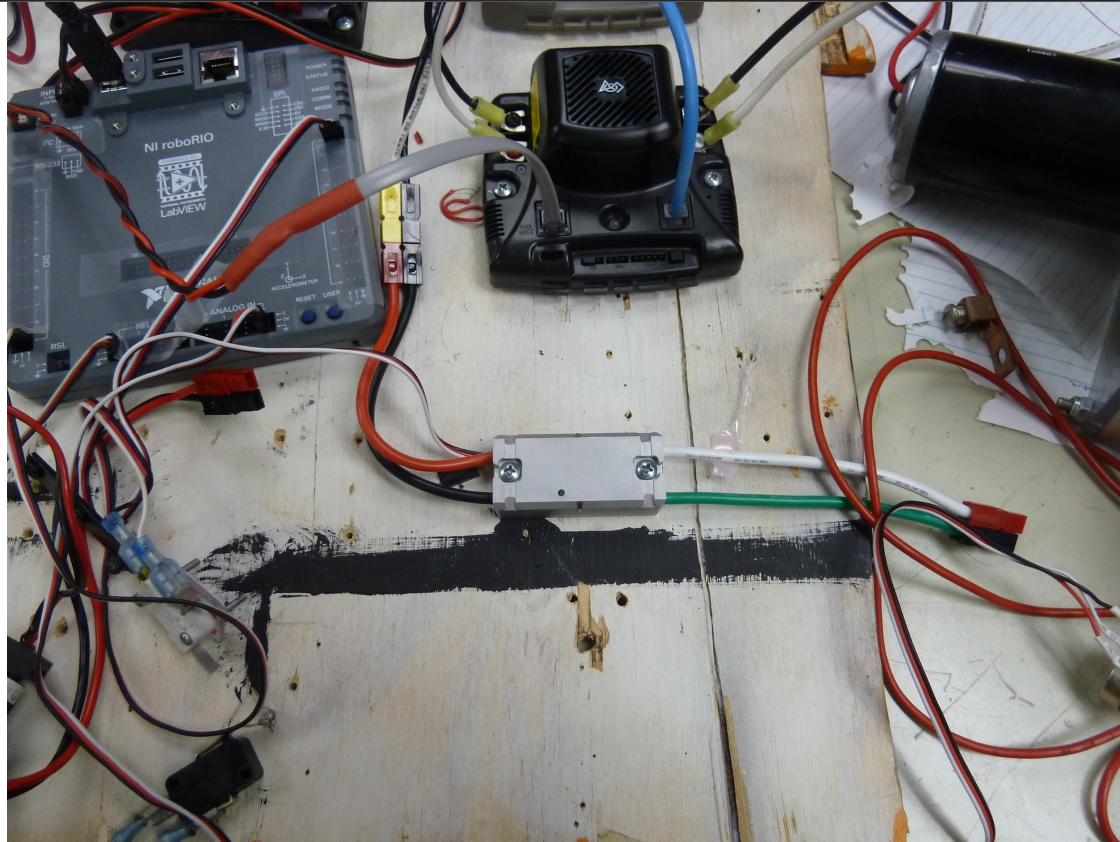
PDP



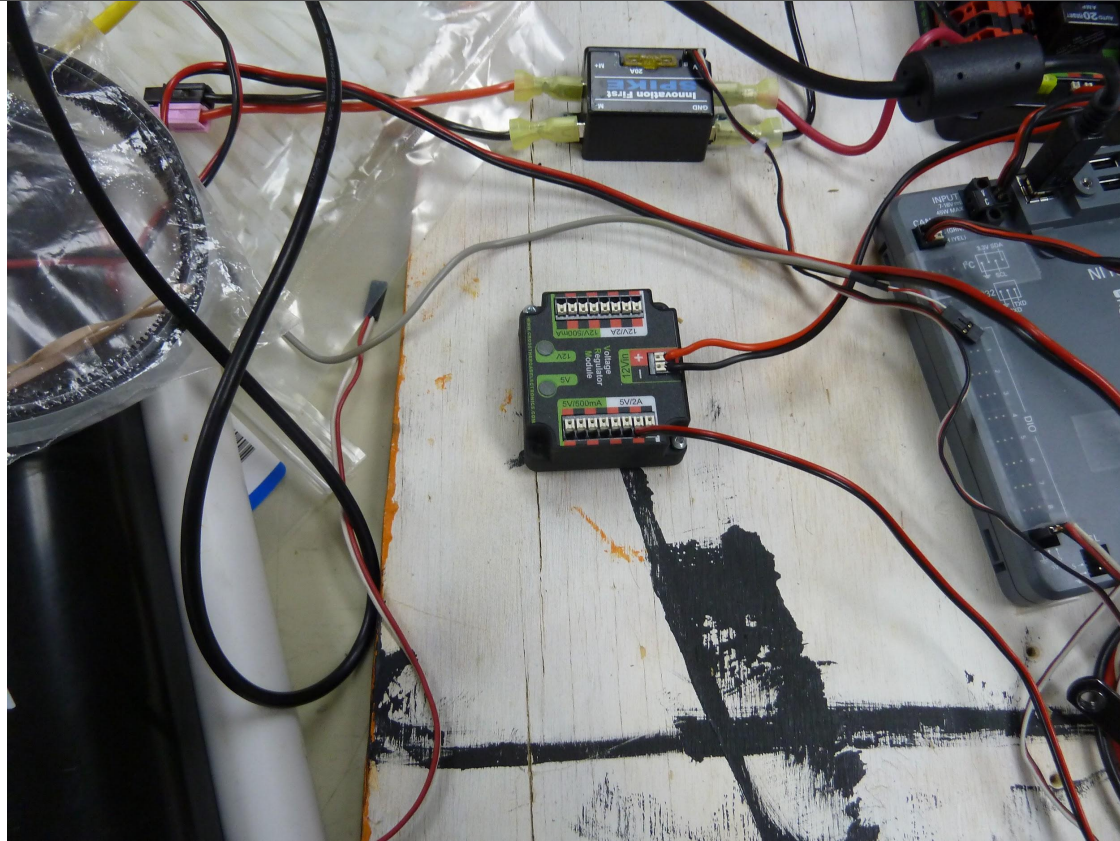
PCM



Victor SP



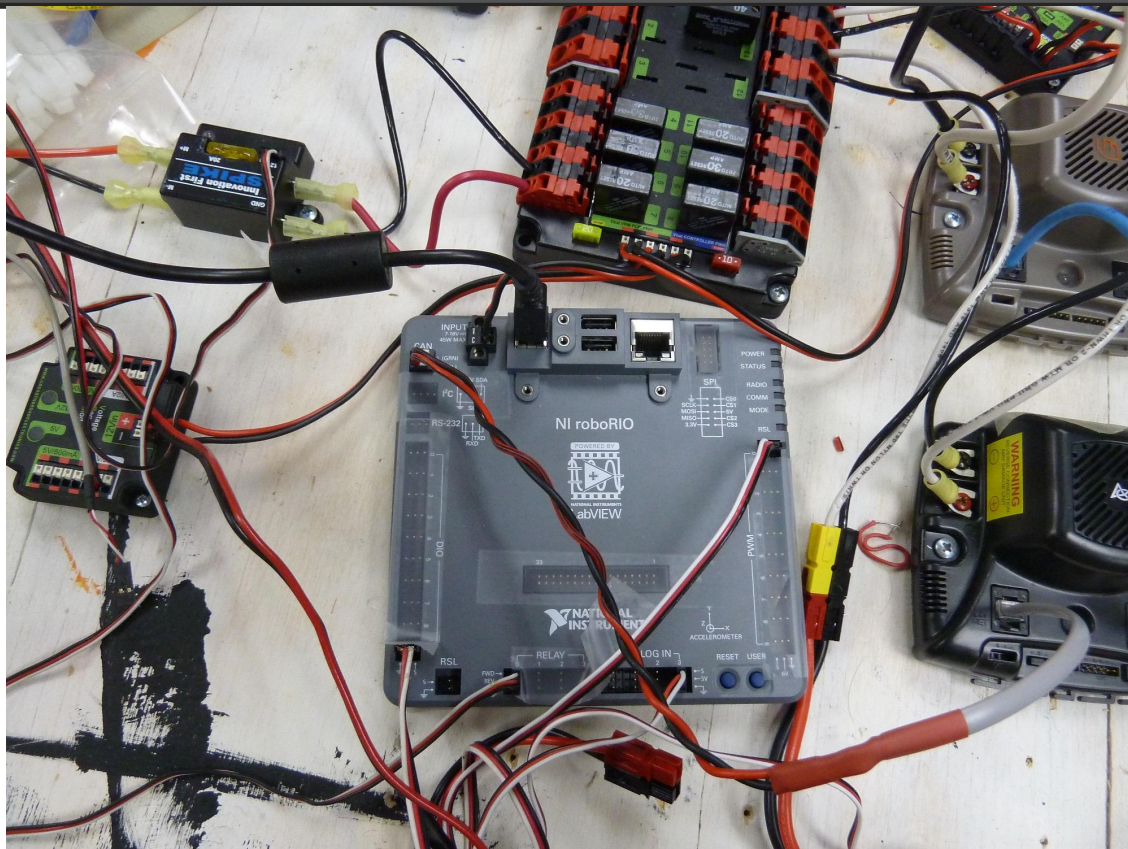
VRM



CAN with Jaguars

- RoboRIO needs to be at one end of CAN network
- PDP could be at other end (recommended)
- RoboRIO, PDP, and PCM connect to CAN through two wires
- Jaguars (only 2015) use four-pin modular plug
 - Yellow (H) goes to pin 2, Green (L) goes to pin 3

roboRIO



Networking

- Connect to the roboRIO with ethernet or USB
- RoboRIO configuration uses web browser (USB only)
- Wireless uses same router as before

Networking

roboRIO-1209 : System Configuration

Restart

Login

Help



Search

Save

Refresh



roboRIO
roboRIO-1209



CAN Interface
can0



NI roboRIO
RIO0



ASRL1::INSTR
ASRL1::INSTR



ASRL2::INSTR
ASRL2::INSTR

System Settings

Hostname	<input type="text" value="roboRIO-1209"/>
IP Address	10.12.9.20 (Ethernet) 172.22.11.2 (Ethernet)
DNS Name	roboRIO-1209.local
Vendor	National Instruments
Model	roboRIO
Serial Number	03053806
Firmware Revision	2.0.0f1
Operating System	NI Linux Real-Time ARMv7-A 3.2.35-rt52-2.0.0f0
Status	Running
Image Title	roboRIO Image
Image Version	FRC_roboRIO_2015_v16
Comments	<input type="text"/>
Locale	English

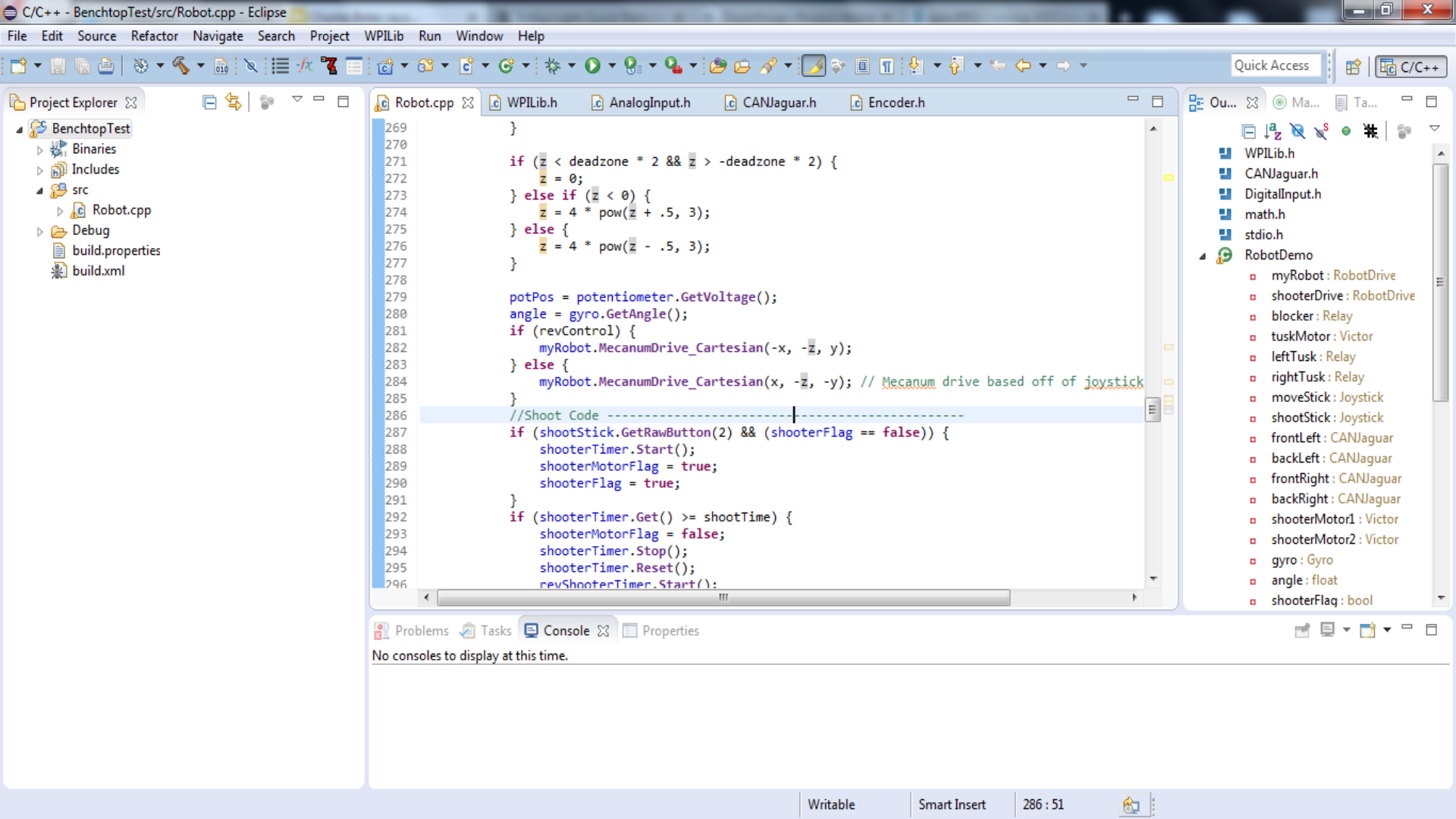
Update Firmware

Startup Settings

☐ Force Safe Mode

Eclipse IDE

- IDE for C++ and Java development
- Used to push code to roboRIO
- Updates to tools done within Eclipse
- Very similar to past IDEs as far as interface and menus



Changes to Code

- All channels count start now with 0
 - Changes to using joysticks and their axes
- Some classes and objects renamed
 - AnalogChannel to AnalogInput
- Driver Station LCD removed
 - Implementation of SmartDashboard as output driver station.
- Some functions renamed, can be checked in the WPILib Header file and child directories

Eclipse Issues

- Downloading, unzipping and installing the FRC Update Suite took a lengthy period time, close to two hours.
 - Be prepared to spend a day dedicated to setup alone.
- Took about 20 min. to install all necessary plugins for programming.

Drive Station Interface

The image displays the FRC Drive Station interface, which is a software application used for controlling a robot. The background is a desktop wallpaper featuring a large hay bale in a field under a blue sky. In the top right corner, there are two circular gauges: one showing 03% and the other showing 37%.

The interface consists of several windows and panels:

- SmartDashboard - 1209**: A window with a menu bar (File, View) and a list of input fields for data logging. The fields include: Channel 12, Channel 14, Test Value, PDP Volt, Channel Value, Channel Number, Joystick X, To be Determined Joystick Axis, Joystick POV, and Tusk Status.
- FRC Driver Station - Version**: A window showing the current status of the robot and the competition. It includes:
 - Mode Selection**: Buttons for TeleOperated, Autonomous, Practice, and Test. The TeleOperated mode is currently selected.
 - Elapsed Time**: 0:22.4
 - Team #**: 1209
 - Battery**: 12.58 V
 - Communications**: Indicators for Robot Code (green) and Joysticks (red).
 - Teleoperated**: A status indicator showing "Enabled".
 - Window**: A dropdown menu showing "Red 1".
 - PC Battery**: A green bar indicating full charge.
 - PC CPU %**: A yellow bar indicating low usage.
 - Enable/Disable**: Two buttons, "Enable" (green) and "Disable" (red).
- Logs**: A panel on the right side of the FRC Driver Station window showing error messages. The message reads: "Error on line 197 of DriverStation.cpp: Joystick axis or POV is out of range: at /home/admin/FRCUserProgram() [0x1e3d0] at /home/admin/FRCUserProgram() [0x21840] at /home/admin/FRCUserProgram() [0x216c8] at /home/admin/FRCUserProgram() [0x103c4] at /home/admin/FRCUserProgram() [0x232cc] at /home/admin/FRCUserProgram() [0xf6f4]".

Questions?