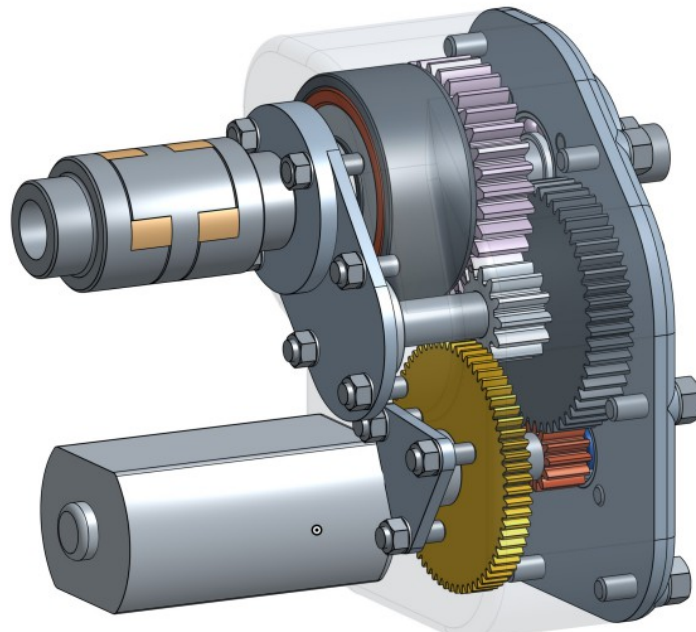


## Petertha's model starter gearbox:



### ***How to translate starter torque into tooth loading:***

Consider the following pinions, and number of teeth per pinion:

1. Motor pinion: teeth. (A)
2. Yellow pinion: teeth. (B)
3. Red pinion: teeth. (C)
4. Intermediate large pinion: teeth. (D)
5. Intermediate small pinion: teeth. (E)
6. Clutch: teeth. (F)

Using the motor stall torque as the maximum torque that can be applied: = (T)

1. Torque on (A) = Max torque to stall the motor (Manufacturer's data)
2. Torque on B =  $T \times B/A$
3. Torque on C =  $T \times B/A$
4. Torque on D =  $T \times B/A \times D/C$
5. Torque on E =  $T \times B/A \times D/C$
6. Torque on F =  $T \times B/A \times F/E$

And for each pinion, the force on a tooth is  $F = \text{Torque on pinion} / \text{radius of contact point on tooth}$  (Pitch circle).

You need to convert the pitch circle of your gears into the diametral pitch of the gear tooth as per this: [What is Diametral Pitch? \(with picture\) \(infobloom.com\)](http://infobloom.com)

When you know that, you can input the data into this calculator to check tooth strength. [Gear Tooth Strength Calculator | Engineers Edge](#)