Engineering Tripos Part IIB, 4I15: Mobile Robot Systems, 2020-21

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Timing and Structure
Lent term. Lectures and coursework. Assessment: 100% coursework.

Prerequisites
4M20 useful; 3F2 useful; 3F3 useful

Aims
The aims of the course are to:

- This course teaches the foundations of autonomous mobile robots, covering topics such as perception, motion control, and planning.
- It also teaches algorithmic strategies that enable the coordination of multi-robot systems and robot swarms.
- The course will feature several practical sessions with hands-on robot programming. The students will undertake mini-projects, which will be formally evaluated through a report and presentation.

Objectives
As specific objectives, by the end of the course students should be able to:

- understand how to control a mobile robot;
- understand how a robot perceives its environment;
- understand how a robot plans actions (navigation paths);
- know paradigms of coordination in systems of multiple robots;
- know classical multi-robot problems and their solution methods;

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Requirements:

Students are expected to have laptops running Linux, with installations of ROS Kinetic and Gazebo. An installation guide will be provided.

Coursework

Students will be expected to hand in two reports and attend an individual questioning session.

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The project will compose 40% of the mark and will be evaluated on a scale of 0-100. It will be handed in as group-work in groups of 2-3, and the report will clearly state what each group member contributed. The overall project mark will be composed by a report score (60%) and a presentation score (40%). Project marks will reflect the contribution of each team member. Every team member is expected to make a similar, significant contribution to the project, and where this happens all team members will receive the same mark. The report requirements will differ for students. Engineering students will hand in 6-page double-column report (conference-formatted)
Booklists


Examination Guidelines

Please refer to [Form & conduct of the examinations](http://teaching.eng.cam.ac.uk/content/form-conduct-examinations) [4].

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