

Team Pumas

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Abstract. Pumas Team has participated in Robocup since 2006 in @Home League. In 2025 we had our first participation in Humanoid Kid Size League and in 2026 we will participate for the first time in the Large Robot Division. We use a Unitree G1 and a Booster T1 and we are currently developing our own platform for the Large Division using SteadyWin motors and reinforcement learning for gait generation. Pumas' vision system is mainly based on neural networks and tasks are planned using simple finite state machines.

1 Hardware description

Our team uses the Booster T1 and Unitree G1 as the base platforms for the Large Robot Division. Booster T1 has a height of 1.18 m, a weight of approximately 30 kg, and a total of 23 degrees of freedom distributed across the head, arms, waist, and legs. The sensing system includes an Intel RealSense which provides RGB images, depth information, and a 6-axis IMU, nevertheless, only the passive sensor are used. Additional sensors include joint encoders and a microphone array. Computation is provided by an NVIDIA Jetson AGX Orin with 32 GB RAM.

Unitree G1 is 1.30m height and weights 35 kg. Original model has 21 DoF and does not have joints in the neck, which is why we are working on a pan-tilt unit to comply with the competition requirements. The final platform will have 23 DoF. This robot has an RGB-D camera and a 3D Livox Lidar, nevertheless, we only use the passive sensors to comply with the league restrictions. Computation is performed on an NVIDIA Jetson Orin.

The platform we are developing has 23 DoF and is built with SteadyWin servomotors and aluminum links. Computation will be done using an Nvidia Jetson.

2 Visual perception

Pumas' visual perception system is based on a customized YOLO model. We trained the detection of ball, robots, goals and field landmarks such as the central circle, line crosses and T-shaped lines. These landmarks are used for localization as described below. To keep ball within the field of view, we move the head using a PI control to calculate the pan-tilt angles.

3 Localization

Localization is performed using field landmarks such as the central circle, corners, line crosses and T-shaped lines. A particle filter is used to estimate robot (x, y, θ) using as measurements the pan angles of the landmarks with respect to the robot. Since the field is symmetric, we assume as known initial condition the side of the field in which the robot starts playing.

4 Task planning

4.1 Pretrained movements

We use the predefined movements included both in Unitree G1 and Booster T1 for walking, kicking and getting up after a fall. The movements for our platform will be trained using DRL. Our game planner generate movement commands considering only linear and angular speeds for the CoM. We translate these commands to the corresponding protocol for each robot. One of the main challenges was to develop a platform-independent system capable to play a match in different platforms (Unitree, Booster and ours) with minimal changes.

4.2 Game planning

The general strategy for playing is executed using finite state machines. Our system is platform-agnostic and the different behaviors are selected just by setting the number of player and the rol (goalkeeper or player).