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FRED QUESTIONS

Project name: Autonomous Robot Car for Environmental Mapping

Description: This project involves creating a robot car equipped with RPLIDAR and MPU sensors to autonomously navigate and map dangerous or hard-to-reach environments, such as disaster zones or collapsed buildings. Using the sensors, the car will build a real-time map of its surroundings while avoiding obstacles. The system can assist rescue teams by providing a clear layout of areas unsafe for human entry.

• Functionality of the Autonomous Robot Car

- Can you break down what are the core functionalities of this Autonomous Robot Car?
 (e.g. Navigating, Mapping...)
- 2. What kind of mapping format will the system generate? (e.g. 2D mappings, 3D mappings...)
- 3. How should the map data be stored and transmitted?
- 4. If multiple sensors (RPLIDAR, MPU) are providing data simultaneously, how will the software integrate this to improve mapping function?
- 5. How will the robot's position and orientation be estimated and corrected?
- 6. How will the software update the map dynamically as the robot moves and new data is received?
- 7. How will the robot handle self-avoidance when meet with an obstacle?
- 8. How will the robot differentiate between temporary and permanent obstacles?

User Interface

- 9. What are the requirements in the user interface for controlling and monitoring the robot's status?
- 10. What communication protocols (e.g., I2C, UART, SPI) will the software need to support to interface with the RPLIDAR, MPU, and motor controllers?
- 11. What communication protocols (e.g., I2C, UART, SPI) will be used to communicate between the robot and user interface?
- 12. Will there be different access levels in the system (e.g., admin, user, technician)?
- 13. Will the software support remote intervention?
- 14. Will the software allow for mission planning (predefined routes or mapping areas)?
- 15. What should happen in case of network disruptions or data transmission failures?

Testing

- 16. How will the software be tested in simulated environments?
- 17. What testing methodologies will be used for the software?
- 18. What criteria will be used to determine the success performance of the software?

Documentation

- 19. What kind of user documentation will be needed for the software?
- 20. Will there be documentation on how to troubleshoot common problems?