{Learn, Create, Innovate};

Democratising Robotics Education

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Robotics For Everyone









Manchester Robotics Limited was born as a spinout company from The University of Manchester in the United Kingdom.

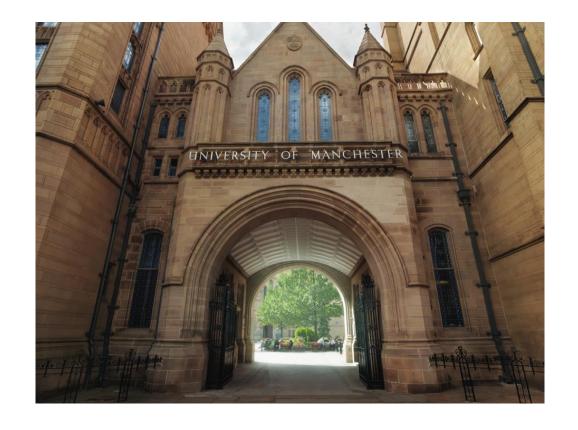
It was an initiative of the <u>Robotics</u>

<u>Research Group</u> within the <u>Aerospace</u>

<u>Research Institute</u>.



The University of Manchester





The Team



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Commercial Lead



Business Advisor





Our Story



- Educational Robotic platforms were not affordable.
- Robotic education started to become inaccessible for students and universities.
- So, as researchers in robotics, we built our own: Affordable, reliable, and just as capable.
- We didn't stop at hardware—we provide a full robotics curriculum that made NVIDIA interested in partnering with us.

What Does It Take to Become a World-Class Robotics Engineer?



"For us robotic democratisation is not a concept... its our way of thinking, working... being."

Professor Constantinos Soutis, Director









Problems We Solve



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"Education is evolving so we need to evolve with it ..."

Dr Alexandru Stancu, CEO/Director



Universities

- Fragmented Teaching
- No problem Solving
- Lack of robotic platforms
- The bigger picture is lost



Industries

- Skills Gap
- Untrained employees
- Lack of practical training.



Hobbyists

- Too hardwareoriented.
- Lack of advanced applications and skills.
- The bigger picture is lost.

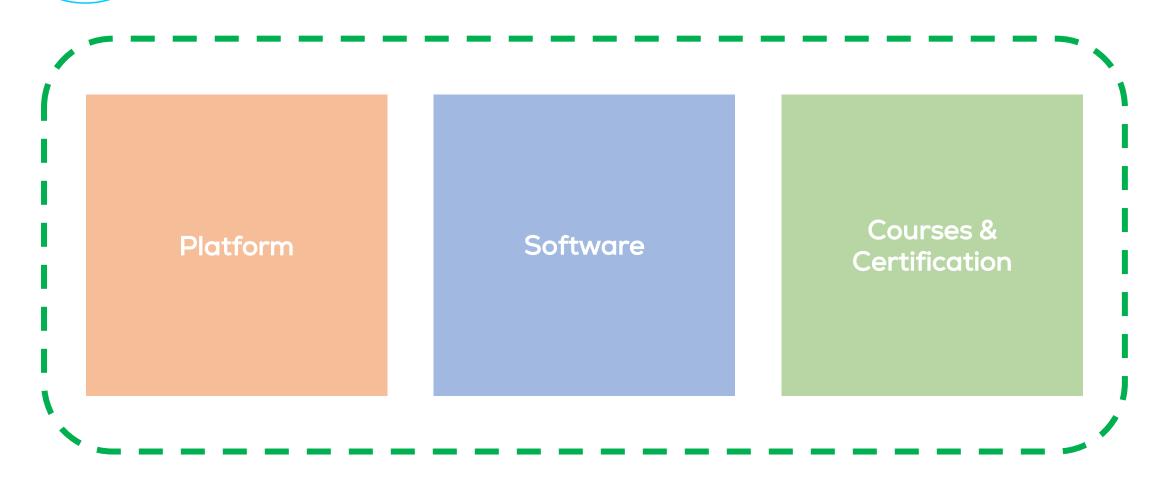
<u>Higher Education, industry/corporates and Hobbyists</u> are not keeping up with the rapid change and adoption in AI and Robotics



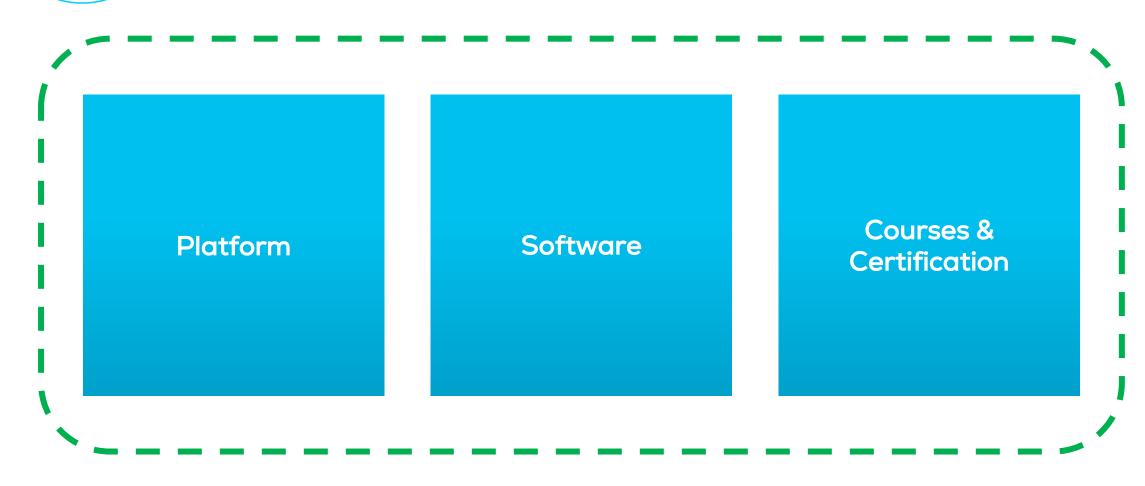


Our Solution

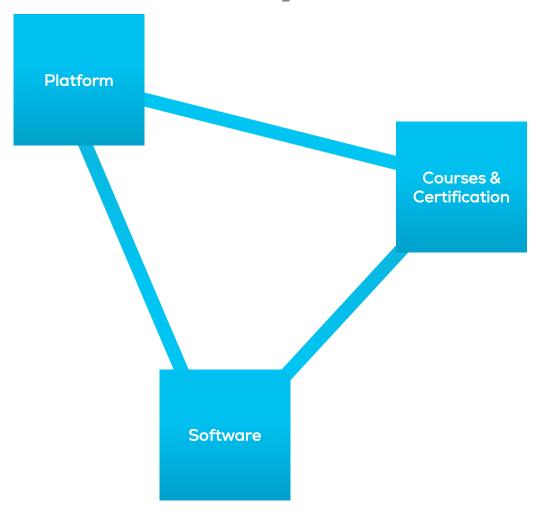




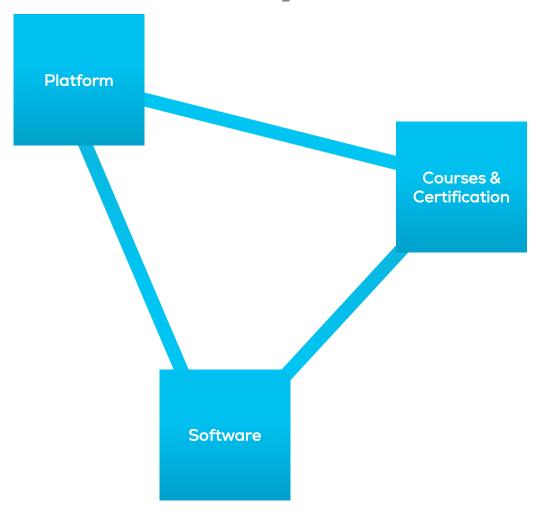






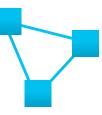








Our Solution: Platform



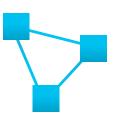
The Puzzlebot

- Affordable, customisable, modular, and open-source platform.
- Compatible with Python, MATLAB, LabVIEW, and ROS.
- Designed for beginners to advanced researchers.





Our Solution: Software



Puzzlebot SDK Suite

- A complete robotics SDK that takes you through the path of "The Autonomy Hierarchy".
- Three-tier learning approach: Simulator, realworld testing, and industry application.
- Vertical integration: Start from zero knowledge and progress to Al-based robotics.
- Designed for students, researchers, and industry professionals.





Our Solution: Courses & Certifications





Basic Certification: Introduction to robotics, programming, and control.

Professional Certification: Intermediate robotics applications, including AI and SLAM.

Specialist Certification: Advanced robotics, perception, and decision-making.

Ambassador Certification: Robotics leadership, research, and real-world applications.









What Makes Us Different?

Versatile Feature-set

Our circuit board and software are designed to be versatile to accommodate add-on components.

Accessible Price Point

We design with the intent of manufacturing at high volume to keep unit costs low.

Advanced Capability

The circuit board is designed around powerful microprocessors and microcontrollers.

Basic to Advanced Courses

Basic to advanced robotics courses developed alongside our partnership with NVIDIA



Solve real problems from industry

To help primary & secondary sectors of the global economy rapidly adopting robotics.

Challenge based approach

To provide challenges at each block, to engage the learners and improve their skills.





Real-World Impact



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Global Reach & Industry Adoption

- University of Manchester, Durham University, and others.
- In Mexico: MCR2 Collaborates with UPY, Tec de Monterrey, Tecnológico Nacional de México.
- Collaboration with NVIDIA to integrate Al and robotics education.
- Published papers, research projects, and industry partnerships.























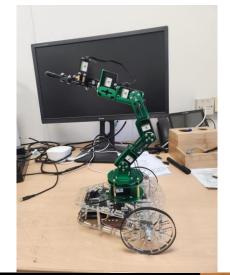
New Developments

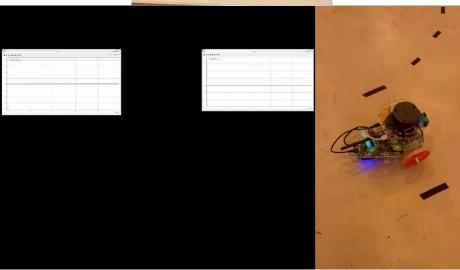


New Developments

Expanding the Ecosystem

- Puzzlebot Drone Ed- An educational drone for aerial robotics.
- Puzzlebot Arm Extending capabilities for manipulation tasks.
- Interactive Robotics Experience A fully immersive way to learn robotics through digital twins and real-world testing.









- Manchester Robotics has stablished partnerships with different educational institutions worldwide.
- In Mexico, we've partnered with Tecnológico de Monterrey for more than 4 years now.
- Different project and courses have been done in different campuses nationwide alongside professors and students from different backgrounds.









- Papers from education and robotics innovation, have been published in different journals.
- Research is currently being done using MCR2 Tools in the fields of Mechatronics and Robotics.



3D Gaussian Splatting for Emulating Real Environments in Undergraduate Educational Robotics.

Arturo E. Cerón, Jason A. Castaño



A study on teaching Cyber-Physical Systems with a customized branded mobile robot for Industry 4.0

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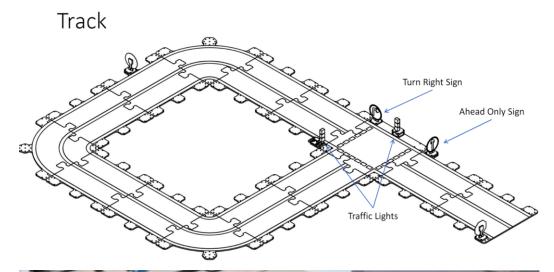
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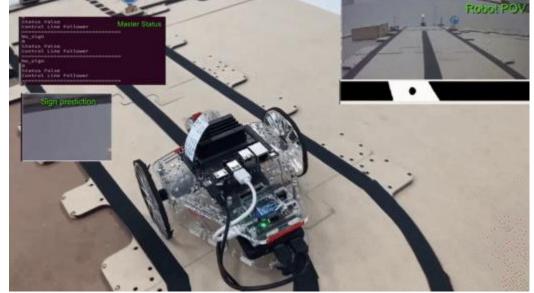




Tec de Monterrey: Nationwide Robotics Challenge

- Consists in autonomously drive the robot on a predefined track provided by MCR2.
- Using the knowledge acquired during the semester, the students were able to implement a neural networks alongside some image recognition algorithms and control theory to drive the robot on the track while obeying the traffic signals.
- The best teams got the chance exhibit their results to their professors, the directors of MCR2, and the engineering directors at NVIDIA.







Tec de Monterrey Automation Challenge

 Making a production line in accordance with MCR2 standards.

 Using the knowledge acquired during the semester, the students were able to implement some image recognition algorithms, manufacturing and control theory to implement the manufacturing line.





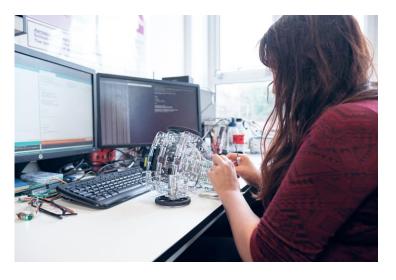


Future Vision



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- Expanding to more universities and industries.
- Making Puzzlebot Ecosystem a global standards in education.
- Creating an Al-powered robotics learning assistant.











Call to Action



Join the Revolution!

- Students & Educators: Contact us to get involved with Puzzlebot and our robotics programs.
- Researchers & Industry Partners:
 Collaborate with us to develop new applications.
- Investors & Entrepreneurs: Support the mission to democratize robotics education.







Thank You

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