Team 19 NASA Lunabotics Competition

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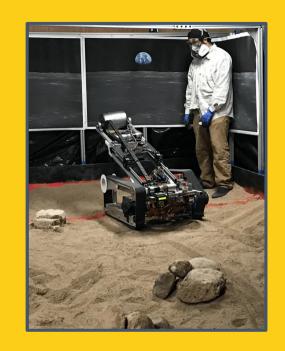




Abstract

 NASA holds an annual lunabotics competition, where schools nationwide compete to build the best lunar robotics system

- Previous years' robots have faced significant challenges
- Our goal for this year is to fix as many of the past mistakes as possible

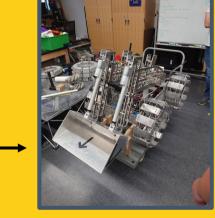




Problem

- □Unreliable communication system
- □Electromagnetic interference
- □Cumbersome robot testing
- □Unsatisfactory GUI
- □No additional cameras for arena awareness









- □Update communications systems
- ☐Build a comprehensive simulation
- □Implement full autonomy using stereo camera system

- □Adjust the GUI to make information easier to read
- □Implement deployable awareness camera









Background

Key Concepts

□BP-1, ROS2, Jetson Orin Nano, CAN Bus, ROS Gazebo, GTKMM, ZED API, UDP

Related Work

□ Previous years' robots

- ☐ Skinny
- □ Spinner
- Scoop
- □ Shovel



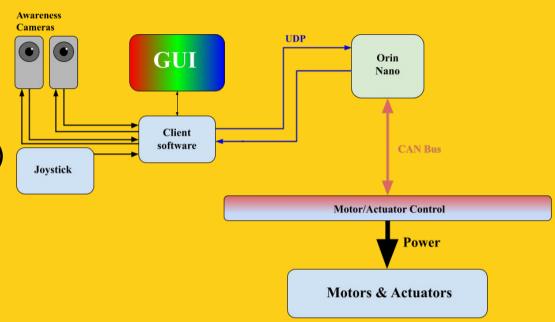






Use Cases

- □Fully autonomous but can be controlled (WiFi)
- □Camera feed for navigation
- □ Driver can take control using the joystick.





Requirements



□Robot dimensions, maximum mass, and navigation ☐ The robot should be autonomous to help gain extra points ☐ The robot needs to have a bucket to pick up piles of dirt ☐ The robot must avoid any obstacles during testing and the competition □Joystick that allows basic driving controls and bucket movement □Runtime requirement that the robot must achieve during the competition and testing

Key Personnel

Ryan Cheng - responsible for refinement of the GUI

Joseph Folen – responsible for revising the communication system and protocols for improved reliability

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Questions?

