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Introduction

Describe the purpose of the document.

* 1. Product scope

List the benefits, objectives, and goals of the product.

The objective of the OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot is to be delivered as a prototype for a maze solving robot, which will follow walls, avoid collisions, and detect victims along the way with a colour sensor. It will use various components, such as a Pico Pi, servos, and ultrasonic and line following sensors, which are prototypical components of a future and larger system that will have the ability to navigate within a warehouse setting, aiding in transportation and emergency response.

* 1. Product value

Describe how the audience will find value in the product.

The product’s value lies in its ability to automize warehouse tasks. Warehouse managers see a practical tool that can aid in the reduction of labor and the improvement of emergency response, and observers benefit from its responsive UI interface.

* 1. Intended audience

Write who the product is intended to serve.

The intended audience for the differential drive mechatronic robot, when fully completed, are warehouse operations managers, industrial automation engineers, or owners in industrial companies. This is due to the fact that it can heavily assist in efficiency improvements around a warehouse space, providing streamline operations and supporting emergency protocols.

* 1. Intended use

Describe how will the intended audience use this product.

The intended use for the robot is to serve as a prototypical steppingstone that navigates a maze by following the side of a wall, preceding a fully functional warehouse assistance robot that can be used by its audience for various activities like transportation and emergency response.

* 1. General description

Give a summary of the functions the software would perform and the features to be included.

The OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot is built to perform tasks like wall following, colour sensing, and UI display, meaning it can autonomously navigate through a maze-like environment by following walls, identify colored tiles that represent victims using colour sensors, and communicate its, or others, current status through a basic UI interface.

# Functional requirements



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List the design requirements, graphics requirements, operating system requirements, and constraints of the product.



External interface requirements



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* 1. User interface requirements

Describe the logic behind the interactions between

the users and the software (screen layouts, style guides, etc).

The UI panel features a main display panel that can provide real-time navigational outputs such as ‘turning left’ or ‘victim detected’, helping users track the robot’s actions. When it promptly displays an output like ‘victim detected’ it may use LED’s to flash alarmingly, letting the user know that It may require space or interacting by asking the user for assistance.

* 1. Hardware interface requirements

List the supported devices the software is intended

to run on, the network requirements, and the communication protocols to be used.

The OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot is built on a Raspberry Pi Pico controller, which operates without built-in network functions and capabilities. All communication between the Pico and other external devices, such as sensors and motors, is done through standard interfaces including I2C and SPI. Data output and user feedback are handled locally through onboard components such as LED’s, an LCD screen, or via connection to a computer.

* 1. Software interface requirements

Include the connections between your product and other software components, including frontend/backend framework, libraries, etc.

The software interface deals with its range of hardware components through python libraries that handle communication with things like sensors and modules such as the ultrasonic and environmental sensor. Secondly, control algorithms like PID are implemented using modules like PID\_Controller.py, while additional libraries such as servo.py support things like motor control.

The system operates entirely on the Raspberry Pico Pi using micro python, meaning no frontend or backend networks - All software interfaces are handled through direct sensor communication, with output options for data monitoring.

* 1. Communication interface requirements

List any requirements for the communication programs your product will use, like emails or embedded forms

The OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot does not require any external communication programs such as email, messaging services, or embedded forms. All communication occurs locally through physical indicators.

# Non-functional requirements



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* 1. Security

Include any privacy and data protection regulations that should be adhered to.

The system operates offline with no network access, meaning security requirements are limited to preventing unauthorized physical access or other modifications to the code.

* 1. Capacity

Describe the current and future storage needs of your software.

The current storage requirements for this prototypical robot are minimal, consisting of program code and sensor data, although a future implementation of a fully functional industrial warehouse robot would require expanded storage for things like route tracking, safety logs, and operational data.

* 1. Compatibility

List the minimum hardware requirements for your software.

The prototype OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot’s minimum hardware requirements include a Raspberry Pico-Pi microcontroller, two DC or servo motors to make the robot move, colour and distance sensors to sense ‘victims’ and to follow walls, and a power supply.

* 1. Reliability

Calculate what the critical failure time of your product would be under normal usage.

The OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot is designed to operate reliably over extended periods, with potential failures arising in motor damage and wear and battery degradation.

* 1. Scalability

Calculate the highest workloads under which your software will still perform as expected.

Since this robot is a prototype, the software is expected to run under minimal workloads like motor control, sensor inputs, and status updates. As long as tasks remain lightweight and withing the microcontrollers limitations, then it will perform as expected.

* 1. Maintainability

Describe how continuous integration should be used to deploy features and bug fixes quickly.

Continuous Integration can be used to test and validate new code changes like feature additions and bug fixes, ensuring rapid deployment each time they are committed to the repository without introducing any other errors.

* 1. Usability

Describe how easy it should be for end-users to use your software.

The prototypical OOP-controlled differential drive mechatronic robot does not necessarily need an end user for it to run, as its main goal is to navigate through a maze by following a wall. This means once the user turns it on, all they will need to do is watch, making it incredibly easy and convenient to use.

* 1. Other

List any additional non-functional requirements.

Definitions and acronyms



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