



Software Design Document

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Purpose and Scope

1.1.1 Purpose

The purpose of making this Software Design Document (SDD) is to give the details of the design of the archaeology robot and its system, which is designed by our group (group 13). In this document, we will give an overall description of architectural design, system organisation and critical modules of the system. This document describes some general ideas of how do we design the system and how do we implement requirements into the system. This document will be given to the team members so that they can construct the system based on the requirements. Also this document will be used as a reference for further developments.

1.1.2 Scope

The document describes the robot side, host side and some relevant details about the GUI. It is intended to give the developers and clients all specific details about how the system is constructed. This Software Design Document (SDD) is also used to give details of overall design of archaeology robot. It will contain nine parts : Introduction which will give an overall description of the design, System Overview which will show the design of the system, System Architecture and Components Design, Architectural Description which also includes alternatives and rationale, Data Design, Human Interface Design, Resource Estimates and Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations.

1.2 References

This Software Design Document (SDD) references these files below:

1. Software Requirements Document (SRS) : this document demonstrate all the requirements for this project.
2. Software Project Management Plan (SPMP) : this document shows the details of how do we manage our project.
3. UML files : the class diagram show how do we design and implement our system.

1.3 Overview

This Software Design Document will be organised in a way that describe System, Architectural Design, GUI Design and Resource Estimates specifically and logically.

In the beginning of the document, it will give an introduction of this document (Purpose and Scope) and System Overview. After that, the document will give some high level architectural designs of the whole system, which include System Architecture and Components Design, Architectural Description. In these parts, a explanation about the whole architecture and major component of the software and how they interact will be indicated. Then the document will move to the Data Design part, which demonstrates the Design Details of the system. After the Data Design, it will show the design of Human Interface and Resource Estimates. In Human Interface part, the major components of GUI and their functions will be demonstrated. In Resources Estimates, all resources which are used in the whole system will be provided. Lastly, there are some Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations at the end of the document.

This document will follow the developing stages and the template of the SDD is generated according to client's requirement.

1.4 Constraints

The follow restrictions, limitations, and constraints will affect the design and implementation of the system:

- The robot should be set up correctly before testing.
- The robot is forbidden to be damaged.
- The robot is not allowed to go out of the map.
- The robot is not allowed to push the wall and colliding is not permitted.
- The map should be set up correctly before testing
- The map is in fixed size (less than A1).
- Pixels will be the smallest component of a map, at 25mm by 25mm.
- There are some no-go zones on the map.
- The system must has save and load function.
- An acceptable latency is 300ms.
- There are some hidden walls on the map.
- The robot is only allowed to search the map by pixels on auto mode.
- 4 Pixels make up 1 zone on the map.
- The maximum speed of robot is 10 inches per second.
- The size of the wall is more than 3 pixels.

Chapter 2

System Overview

The main goal of the system is to let the robot is able to be used for survey an archaeological site containing the remnants of an ancient city under both automated and manual control. The robot is not allowed to be damaged during the whole working process. The hardware system is the robot who execute all detection, the software system is used to control the robot and implement information transmission between the Host and Robot. Generally, there are three mainly part for this system: the Host, the Robot and the communicator.

2.1 Robot

The robot is used to execute the detection of the archeology in one sized map. The map contains the objects like hidden walls and obstacles, the robot is required to detect all these objects when it searches the map. The robot has the light and ultrasonic sensor which are used to implement the detection operation.

2.2 Host

The Host is installed on the PC and the function of the Host includes:

1. Using GUI to demonstrate the map, include all objects on the map and the robot states.
2. Using Navigation to implement auto and manual control, which is combined with GUI.
3. Parse the XML file to the data structure which contains the map information.

2.3 Communication Component

The Communication Component is used to connect the Host system with the Robot. It allows the Host to send the command to the robot and robot to send the searching information to the Host. In the whole system, the communication Component is implemented by the Bluetooth.

The diagram of communication Component shows below:

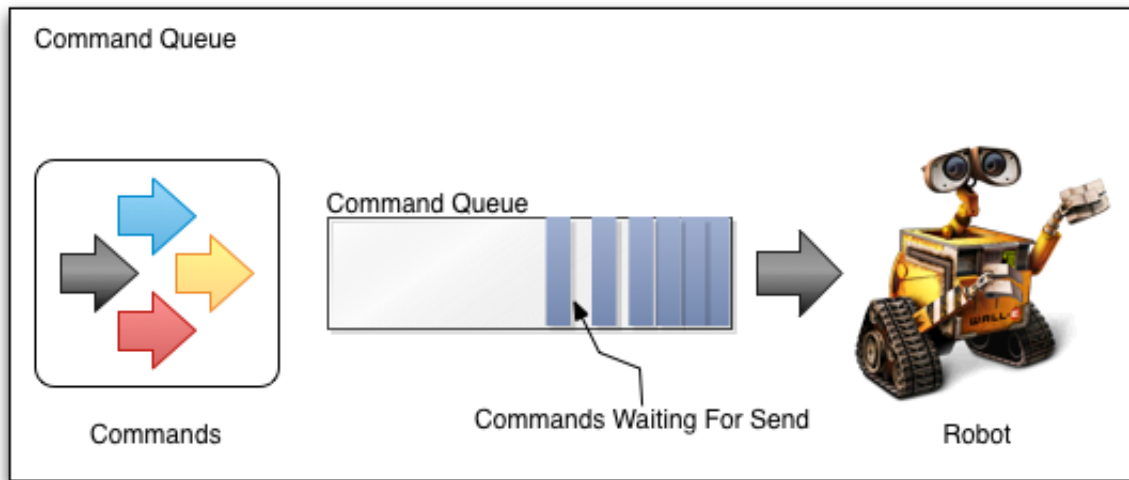


Figure 2.1: The communication diagram

2.4 Conclusion

In conclusion, the whole system of this project contains three parts:

- Robot is the main body to implement all detection operations. It is also required to return the feedback about map and immediate robot status
- Host is used to implement the controlling of the robot and demonstrate the robot status. The Host also takes responsibility to store(load) the map to(from) Xml.
- Communication Component is used to connect the Host with Robot. All transmission of the information has to use the communication part.

With these three parts, the system will work properly and do the task based on the client's requirements and Project Description.

Chapter 3

System Architecture and Components Design

3.1 Architectural Description

The archaeology robot system we make will have three major parts that work together to achieve the goal. These three parts are Host System, Robot System, blue-tooth Connection. The Robot System is mainly used to execute the detection, the Host System is the controlling centre which is used to control the robot and record the information from remote interface. The role of the blue-tooth Connection is to connect the Host System with Robot System. The System connection diagram display below:

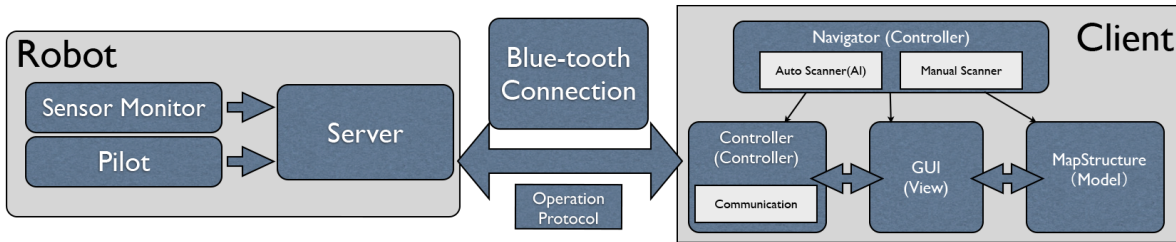


Figure 3.1: The system connection diagram

3.2 Component Decomposition Description

3.2.1 Robot System

The Robot System is installed in the archaeology robot. Basically the Robot System will be implemented all basic functionalities of the robot. Also it is required to respond to commands which are sent from the Host System. Moreover the Robot System should also include functionalities that can make the robot move according to the received command. There are three components in the Robot system:

Server is used to accept the commands from Host System and send the messages to the Host System. All the messages which will send to Host System need to packet here. All commands sending from Host System also need to unpacked in this server.

Sensor Monitor include light sensor and ultrasonic sensor. The light sensor is used to detect the hidden walls which will use different colour to mark on the map. The ultrasonic sensor is used to detect the obstacles on the map. As the safety priority principle, the robot is forbidden

to collide the obstacle, the ultrasonic is the tool to protect the robot. In our design, when ultrasonic detects the obstacles, it will notify the robot, then robot will stop in a few distances front of the obstacle.

Pilot is used to control the movement of the robot and the detection of the sensors. It is also used to control the rotation of the robot by setting the speed of robot's wheels on both sides.

3.2.2 Host System:

The main purpose of the Host System is to implement remote controlling of robot. Following the Requirement Description, the robot is required to be controlled by users. It is necessary to build a control panel on PC, then the user is able to control the robot and check the robot status from PC. In our design, the Host System will follow the Model-View-Controller pattern. There are three main parts representing the three components of this pattern: GUI(View), MapStructure(Model), Controller and Navigator(Controller).

MapStructure and XML Documents(Model)

1. MapStructure: The Map is composed by pixels. The size of each pixel is 25mmx25mm. The robot search the map using pixel as the unit. The map also need to include the information of all object like hidden walls and obstacles. In addition, some related robot status also is stored in the Map Structure(the current position and the start position of the robot).
2. XML Documents: The map is stored in the XML file. The map information is able to be checked by GUI, and the GUI also can store the map information in XML file.

GUI(View) The GUI will contain three components which are:

1. Main GUI: is the graphic interface for the host system which is used to show to the user. The main frame of it has many small components which is able to implement different functions. It includes buttons to control the robot(the movement, speed and mode change), robot status(battery level, current speed and current position), system status(the bluetooth connection), save, load and create map(the size and position of the map and no go zones, load(save) the map from(to) database) and menu(the group introduction).
2. Map Panel: is a component of the GUI that shows the surveying map. It is used to display the location of the robot and draw the real map into it, which means the map panel will display and draw everything the robot explored. After the survey, the map viewer will save the map into the database if it receives a 'save' command from the host. The map panel also contains the icon of the map, different colour represents different object on the map, for example, the red colour represents the no-go zones, the black colour represents unexplored area.
3. Information Window: All operation for the GUI will display on the Information window, also the Information window shows the brief introduction of every group member.

Controller and Navigator(Controller)

1. Controller: The controller mainly takes responsibility to connect with the robot, the function of controller is similar with the Server, its main function is packeting the commands which send from Host System to Robot System and unpacketing the messages which receive from the Robot System.

2. Navigator: The Navigator has two component, the Auto Scanner control and the Manual Scanner control. The main function of Navigator is to make the algorithm to control the robot scan the map on auto and manual modes. On Auto mode, the Navigator will make the algorithm to let the robot to find path automatically and send all objects of the map to the Host System. On Manual Mode, the Robot is controlled by the user. The user is able to send the command to control the movement of the robot. The safety is priority for both mode, the Navigator is forbidden the user to execute some unsafe operation. For example, if user wants the robot to collide the obstacles or the user wants the robot to access the no go zones, the robot will not move follow the commands. The Navigator is combined with the GUI.

3.2.3 Blue-tooth Connection

The bluetooth is used to connecting the Host System with the Robot System. All the information transmission need to go through the bluetooth, the bluetooth is wireless so that it will not limit the move range of the robot.

3.3 Detailed Components Design Description

3.3.1 Host

GUI

1. Component Identifier: C-0
2. Purpose: GUI is a interaction between the host and the robot. GUI is able to send the host's command to the robot and get the feedback from the robot.
3. Function: It provides the GUI for the Host, which is convenient for Host to control the robot. For example, the Host can control the movement, speed, and the searching mode of the robot. The GUI is also able to display the feedback from the searching of the robot, for example, the GUI can display the hidden walls or obstacles of the map. Basically, GUI takes responsibility to translate the Host's command to robot instruction and translate the robot feedback to Host message, then send between the robot and host.
4. Subordinates: LEGOGUI, CommandTranslator, About, MainControlThread, Operation, TextAreaPrintStream.
5. Dependencies: MapStructure, Navigation
6. Interfaces: Host
7. Data: None

MapStructure

1. Component Identifier: C-1
2. Purpose: The map structure is used to build the map for the robot. The robot need to search in a sized map. The map needs to display on the map.
3. Function: The map is made by pixels, the robot is required to search on the map and map also contains some information of the robot(the current and start position of the robot), as a result, the robot status and some relevant operations of robot also are required to connect with map.
4. Subordinate: Map, Operation, Pixel, RobotStatus

5. Dependencies: XMLDocuments
6. Interface: Host
7. Data: Contain the current and start position of the robot.

Navigation

1. Component Identifier: C-2
2. Purpose: The navigation is used to control the robot. Robot is required to search and find all objects on the map in auto and manual mode, it is necessary to use navigation to control the searching of the robot. The navigation also contains the algorithm to define scan trace of the robot.
3. Function: The function of the navigation is to control the movement and scan of the robot. When the robot is in auto mode, the robot is able to scan the map and find all objects automatically. When the robot is in manual mode, the robot is required to be controlled by Host, Host is able to give the command to the robot, then robot executes the operation according to the instruction from host. The pathfinder is a method to define how the robot scan the map.
4. Subordinate: AutoNavigation, ManualNavigation, PathFinder, RobotAutoScanner, Robot-ManualScanner, RobotNavigator
5. Dependencies: MapStructure
6. Interface: Host
7. Data: None

XMLDocuments

1. Component Identifier: C-3
2. Purpose: According to the client requirement, the map and the relevant information need to store in the XML file.
3. Function: The function of the XMLDocuments is to create the xml file to store the map information and load the map information from the xml file.
4. Subordinate: XMLDocuments, XMLReaderWriter
5. Dependencies: MapStructure
6. Interface: Host
7. Data: Contain the map information.

3.3.2 Robot

1. Component Identifier: C-4
2. Purpose: The Robot is required to do the relevant operation on the actual map, the Robot is used to implement the movement, detection, robot state monitoring and sensor monitoring on Auto mode and Manual mode. The robot is also required to handle some safety situation include it has to stop automatically in some circumstance.

3. Function: The Robot contains the methods to implement the basic operation of the robot. In our design, we use different value to represent different operation, for example, 0x000 represents the forward pressed, which is more convenient for us to implement all function. Since the map is made by pixels, the robot will move use pixel as unit. The robot side also includes the function to monitor the sensor. The robot has light sensor and ultrasonic sensor, light sensor is used to detect the hidden wall and ultrasonic is used to detect the obstacles. The robot is required to use ultrasonic sensor to find the obstacle and avoid to collide the obstacles. In the sensor design part, it is necessary to stop the robot immediately in some danger situation no matter which mode the robot is.
4. Subordinate: BTRobotDriver, Operation, Robot, SensorMonitor.
5. Dependencies: None
6. Interface: Robot
7. Data: the different data represents different operation of the robot.

3.3.3 Class Files

GUI-LEGOGUI

1. Component Identifier: C-5
2. Purpose: LEGOGUI is used to generate the main GUI.
3. Function: The LEGOGUI is used to build the main GUI, include the size and the layout of the GUI. The LEGOGUI defines the different panel of the GUI, the position of these panels and the size of these panels. This class also build the connection between the GUI and database.
4. Dependencies: TextAreaPrintStream, About, CommandTranslator
5. File: GUI
6. Data: Node

GUI-TextAreaPrintStream

1. Component Identifier: C-6
2. Purpose: GUI need to receive the input message
3. Function: This class is used to get the message from the input, write these message to GUI and then print all these messages out, which is a part of the GUI
4. Dependencies: None
5. File: GUI
6. Data: Receive the data from the input and write them to GUI, then print them out.

3.3.4 GUI-About

1. Component Identifier: C-7
2. Purpose: GUI is required to contain some Group introduction.
3. Function: This class is used to build a window to display some group information, for example, the Group name and the team members' names. The About class also has the contact method.
4. Dependencies: None
5. File: GUI
6. Data: the introduction message.

3.3.5 GUI-CommandTranslator

1. Component Identifier: C-8
2. Purpose: GUI works as a controller which connect the host with robot. It is required to translate the user's input to the command which is able to be read by GUI.
3. Function: Basically, different number represents different input command, for example, the number 1 represents the input command " f ", which is able to be read by GUI. The user can input the command by GUI.
4. Dependencies: Node
5. File: GUI
6. Data: the numbers which represent different operation.

3.3.6 GUI-MainCntrolThread

1. Component Identifier: C-9
2. Purpose: The GUI need to connect with the robot and control it.
3. Function: In our design, it is required to use bluetooth to connect the robot, the connection function is from lejos API, then the GUI is able to use InputStream and OutputStream function to input the command to the robot, different number represents different command. When connection is successful, when the user input different string, the robot will read the relevant number, then do the corresponding operation.
4. Dependencies: None
5. File: GUI
6. Data: the string as command input by user and the numbers which represent differnt command.

3.3.7 GUI, MapStructure, Navigation, Robot-Operations

1. Component Identifier: C-10
2. Purpose: Collect different number to represent different command
3. Function: Display the relevant numbers which is used for the system
4. Dependencies: None
5. File: GUI, MapStructure, Navigation, Robot
6. Data: the relevant numbers which represent different operation

3.3.8 MapStructure-Map

1. Component Identifier: C-11
2. Purpose: The GUI need to contain a map to demonstrate the searching of the robot.
3. Function: This class generates the map by pixel, it also demonstrate the position of the robot, which includes the current position and start position. In addition, this class defines the layout of the no-go zones.
4. Dependencies: Pixel
5. File: MapStructure
6. Data: the input data which is used to define the size of the map, and the position of the robot.

3.3.9 MapStructure-Pixel

1. Component Identifier: C-12
2. Purpose: Since the map is made by pixels, it is necessary to define the pixel.
3. Function: This class defined the specific parameters for each pixel, which contains the size of one pixel and the size of different object. For example, the smallest hidden wall's size is one pixels.
4. Dependencies: None
5. File: MapStructure
6. Data: the specific number represents the size of different object.

3.3.10 MapStructure-RobotStatus

1. Component Identifier: C-13
2. Purpose: Some robot information is required to store on the map.
3. Function: The class defines the specific location of the robot.
4. Dependencies: Pixel
5. File: MapStructure
6. Data: None

3.3.11 Navigation-AutoNavigation, RobotAutoScanner

1. Component Identifier: C-14
2. Purpose: Implement the auto mode of the robot, which is required robot to move and detect automatically on the premise of safety.
3. Function: Using PathFinder class to let the robot scan the whole map automatically, the robot need to record the current position of the robot and the path from start position to current position. The robot also is required to find the path from current position to nearest unexplored Pixel.
4. Dependencies: Map, PathFinder, Pixel, RobotNavigator
5. File: Navigaiton
6. Data: None

3.3.12 Navigation-ManualNavigation, RobotManualScanner

1. Component Identifier: C-15
2. Purpose: Implement the manual mode of the robot, which is required robot to move and detect by the controlling of the user via GUI on the premise of safety.
3. Function: The robot need to receive the commands from GUI. In our design, we will use one queue to receive the command from host machine, the scan method is also from PathFiner class. The different direction also use different value to represent.
4. Dependencies: Map, PathFinder, Pixel, RobotNavigator
5. File: Navigation
6. Data: None

3.3.13 Navigation-PathFinder

1. Component Identifier: C-16
2. Purpose: It is necessary to define one algorithm to let robot scan all pixels of the map.
3. Function: Firstly, Using Depth First Search to traverse all pixels in the map. The robot decides whether the robot finish the traverse or not according to the return value of the DFS. Second, Using PathFinder function to find the path from the current position to next position. Thirdly, Using findNearestUnexplorePixel function to find the nearest unexplored pixel when the 4 directions(east, west, north, south) of the current position have already explored. Finally, Using Robot Scanner class to decide when and how the robot moves.
4. Dependencies: Map, Pixel, RobotNavigator
5. File: Navigation
6. Data: None

3.3.14 Navigation-RobotNavigator

1. Component Identifier: C-17
2. Purpose: The robotNavigator is a class to implement robot and read all messages from map it is a unify class to let the robot detects following the design.
3. Function: The robotNavigator is able to control the movement of robot and detect all objects, and translate the GUI command to Robot instruction.
4. Dependencies: Map, Pixel, MainControlhread
5. File: Navigation
6. Data: the number which represents different command.

3.3.15 XMLDocuments-XMLDocument, XMLReaderWriter

1. Component Identifier: C-18
2. Purpose: According to the clients requirement, the map and the relevant information need to store in the XML file.
3. Function: Define the method to create a xml file to save the new map, and another method to load the map from xml file.
4. Dependencies: Map
5. File: XMLDocuments
6. Data: None

3.3.16 Robot-BTRobotDriver

1. Component Identifier: C-19
2. Purpose: The unify class to implement all functions of the robot, include the bluetooth connection and the sensor monitoring.
3. Function: The function of this class includes connect the host machine with robot, and receive the command from the host machine. The robot is able to move following the command from host machine. All sensors' functions are also able to implement in this class.
4. Dependencies: BTConnection, Robot,
5. File: Robot
6. Data: the numbers which represent different command.

3.3.17 Robot-Robot

1. Component Identifier: C-20
2. Purpose: Collect all operation of the robot, include the movement and stop in manual and auto mode
3. Function: The Robot is required to control the robot move forward, backward, rotate and stop in auto and manual mode.

4. Dependencies: None
5. File: Robot
6. Data: None

3.3.18 Robot-sensorMonitor

1. Component Identifier: C-21
2. Purpose: It is necessary to build a Thread that monitor the ultrasonic sensor when moving to avoid near walls.
3. Function: This class is using sensor to detect all object from the map, this function contains when the robot is need to stop and the range of the monitoring.
4. Dependencies: Robot
5. File: Robot
6. Data: None

3.4 Architectural Alternatives

The other alternative design which is considered is letting the robot do the exploration without waiting command from the host system. The idea is shelved because the robot's resource is not capable of performing the algorithm.

Another architecture we considered was the Object Oriented model. The java is a object oriented model, meanwhile, the program of the system mainly use java language. OOM is a effective way to use. This model is helpful to let every developer understand each other's work content and process. However, the robot is required to terminate at any time, as the result, this model is not work well effectively. That is the reason why we abandon this model.

3.5 Design Rationale

The design of the system is layer architecture. The model is chosen for its support of separation and independence. The development is spread across teams with each team being responsible for a different part. The use of interface allows smooth integration without risk of incompatible method calls. If there is change in the interface, only the adjacent layer is affected so change is localised.

Chapter 4

Data Design

4.1 Database Description

The map is represented in XML format. It is created when the robot starts to explore. The map updates every time when the robot explores an area, detects a hidden wall or an obstacle of the survey area. The information which is stored in the array is translated and saved into XML. The XML file can be loaded as well. The detailed functionalities are as follow:

Creating a map The map need to has width, height and coordinates of border. The size of the map is stored as digital number and the coordinates of the border are stored in an array list.

Recording the features of the area

- Clear Area: containing no features and is considered to be safe. The status and coordinate is saved if the area is explored.
- Hidde Wall Area: containing hidden walls. The status and coordinate is saved if the area is explored.
- Obstacle Area: containing obstacle. The status and coordinate is saved if the area is explored.
- No-go-zone area: the robot is not permitted to enter the area. The status and coordinate is entered by the user.

Recording the position of the robot The coordinates of current position are stored in an array list and are flagged as visited.

Saving The map which is explored so far can be saved.

Loading The previous map can be loaded.

4.2 Data Structures

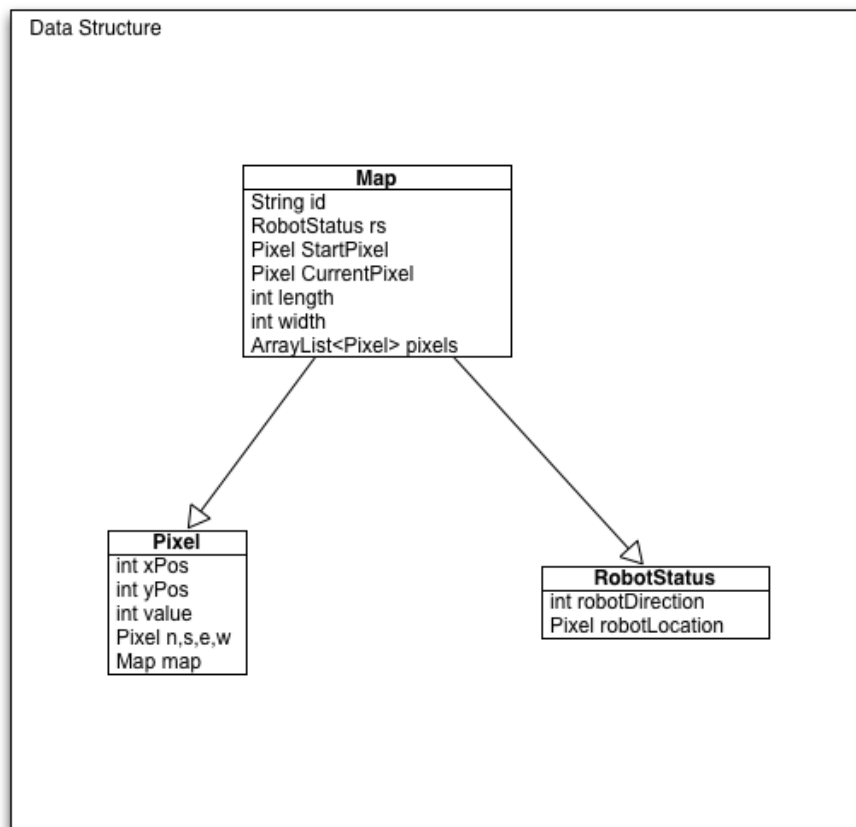


Figure 4.1: Data Structure

The underlying data structure of the map database is a two dimensional array. Each element is the pixel's information, which is indexed by its coordinatting in the map. Each zone(grid) consisted of the information of its 4 sub-grids, which is stored in a two-by-two array.

Chapter 5

Design Details

5.1 Class Diagrams

The class diagrams contain four major components, the Controller diagram, GUI diagram, Navigation diagram and Robot diagram.

The controller is responsible for the communication between the robot and the GUI(host system). The controller allows the host system communicate with the robot by sending commands. The user can send commands from the GUI to the robot also the GUI can receive information from the robot.

The GUI is responsible for letting the user to control the robot on host system. The GUI shows everything related to the robot and the result map that robot surveyed. Also the user can change the setting of the robot via GUI.

The navigation is responsible for controlling the way that the robot should go. The navigation will guide the robot to go the right way and map out the map between automatical mode and manual mode.

The robot(class) is responsible for the basic implementation of the robot. The robot(class) contains basic status of the robot and the default operations of the robot which are used to communicate with the GUI via controller.

5.1.1 Controller diagram



Figure 5.1: Controller Diagram

The Controller diagram contains three parts: Operations, CommandTranslator and MainControl thread. The Operation is used to store all default operations for both the robot and the host system. The Command Translator is used to translate the commands which are sent from host system so that the robot can act as the commands tell. The MainControThread is used to communicate between the robot and the host system(sending commands).

5.1.2 GUI diagram

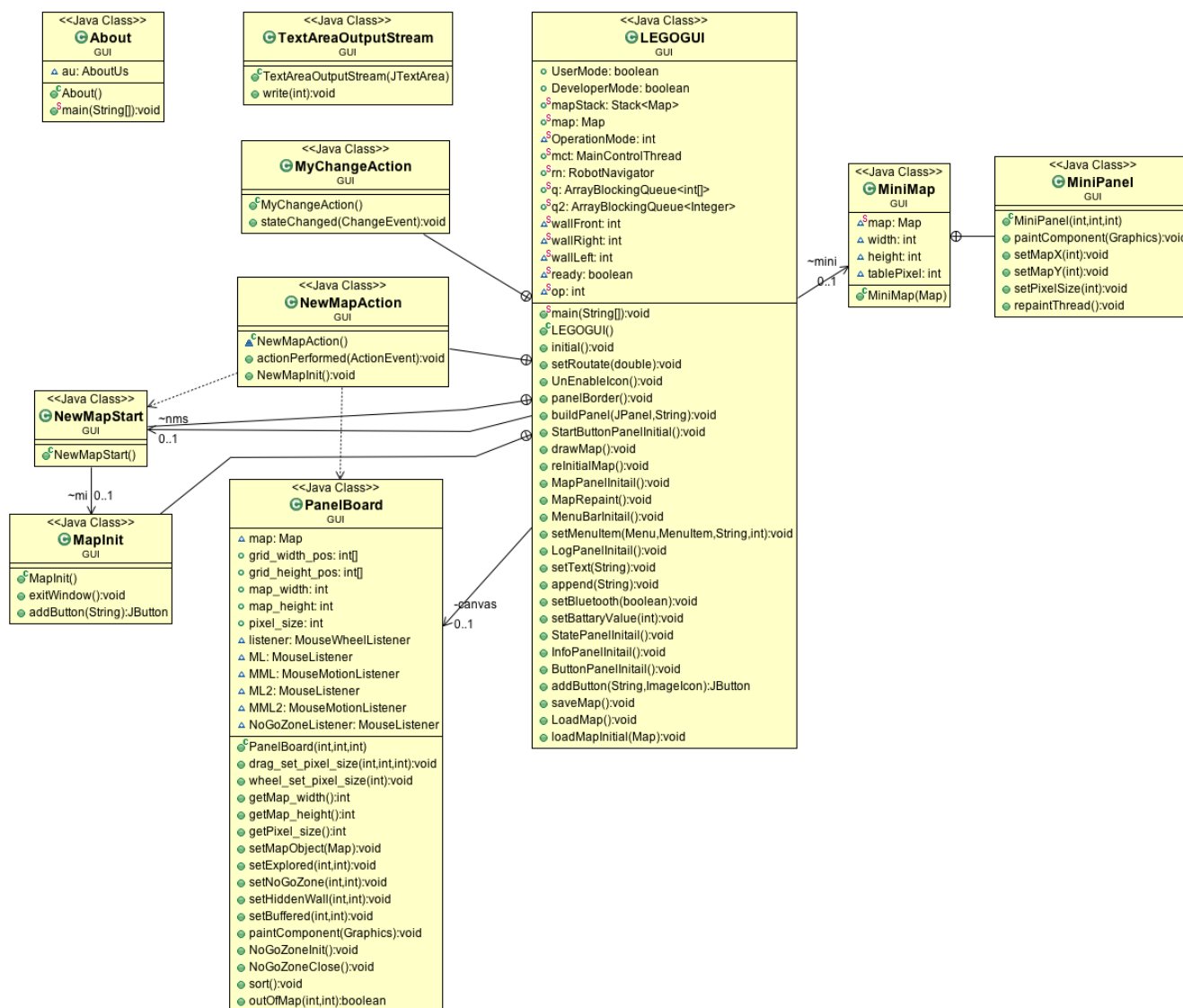


Figure 5.2: GUI Diagram

The GUI diagram contains many classes. The GUI can be used to show the team information, create new map(set the size of the map), save map, load map, set “no-go” zone. show the status of the robot, change the setting of the robot(mode,speed) and connect the robot with the host system.

5.1.3 Navigation diagram

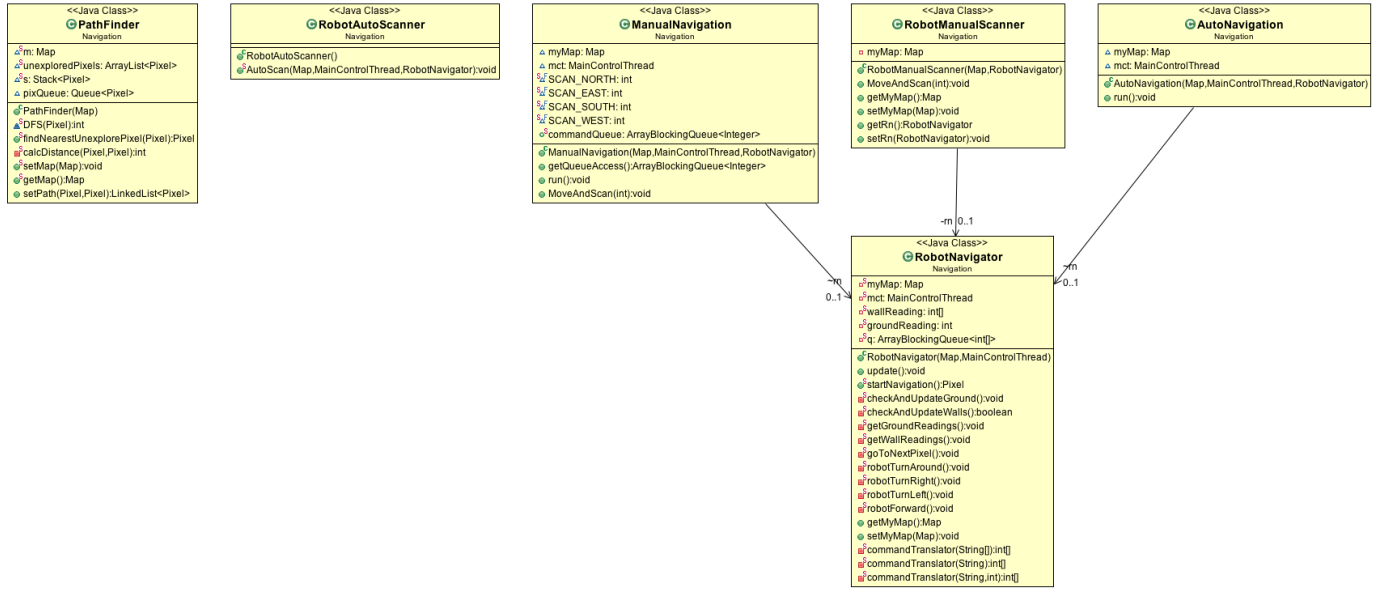


Figure 5.3: Navigation Diagram

For the Navigation part, the PathFinder has the algorithm for finding the path for robot. Two Navigation classes use the path found by PathFinder and then send it to the robot in automatic mode and manual mode. The robot will move and map out the map based on the commands that Navigation send. The RobotAutoScanner allows the sensor work automatically. The RobotManualScanner allows the sensor work manually.

5.1.4 Robot diagram

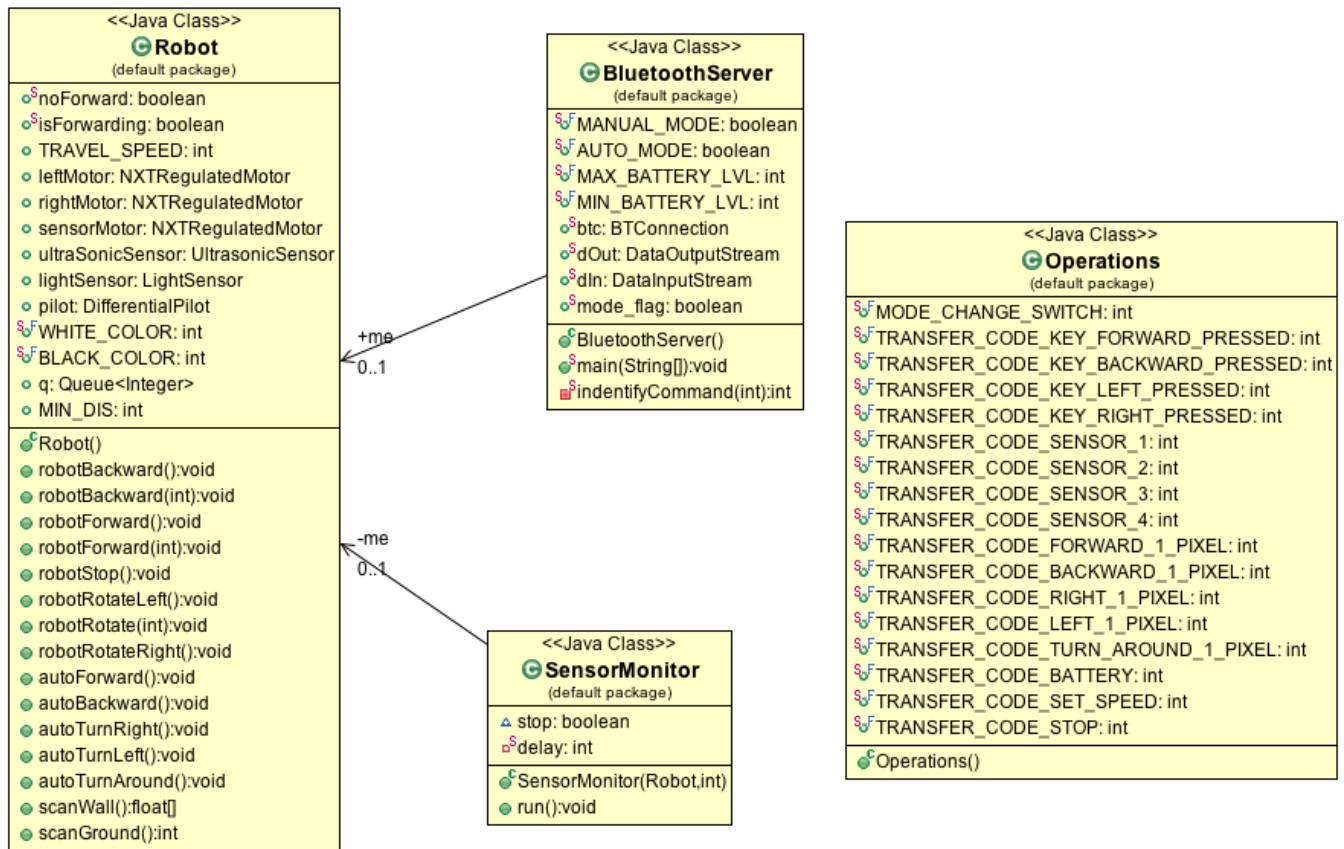


Figure 5.4: Robot Diagram

The robot diagram has 4 parts: Robot, BluetoothServer, SensorMonitor and Operations. The Robot class is used to store the basic information of the robot which include robot movement, robot status and scan functions. The BluetoothServer is used to connect the robot with the host system and then send back information to the host system. The operations is used to store default operations for the robot.

5.2 State Diagrams

The state diagrams will cover three major components which include robot state diagram, robot auto scan state diagram and robot manual control state diagram. For the robot state diagram, it shows the basic states of the robot before taking any actions. For the robot auto scan state diagram, it shows the states of the robot in automatical mode. For the robot manual control state diagram, it shows the states of actions of the robot in manual mode.

5.2.1 Robot State Diagram

Since the robot state diagram is used to describe the basic states of the robot, the initial state of the robot is “Not Connected”. The robot will stay at “Not Connected” state and wait for any inputs until the user connect the robot with the host system via blue-tooth. When the robot is connected, the control mode will be set to manual mode, which means the robot will stay at “Manual Mode” state. After that, the user can change the control mode of the robot between manual mode and auto mode. Moreover, if the robot loss connection at any states, it would go back to the “Not Connected” state.

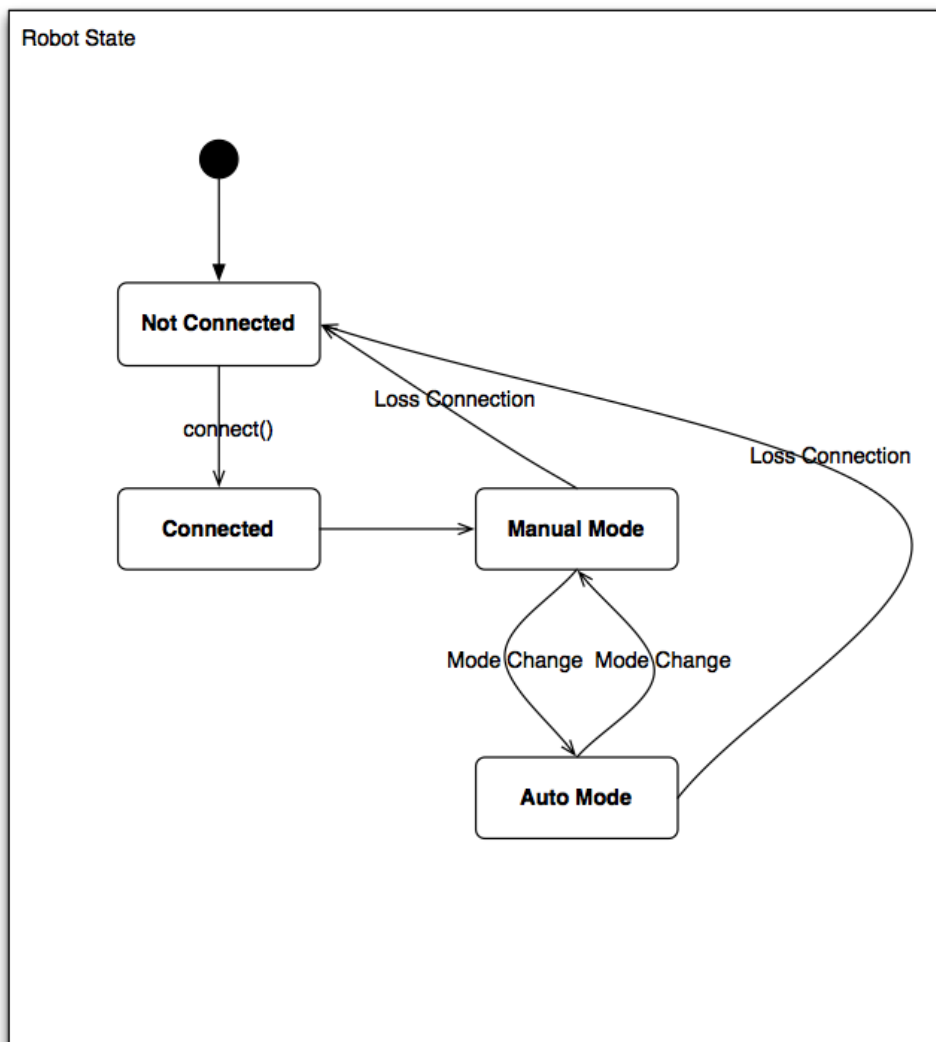


Figure 5.5: Robot state diagram

5.2.2 Robot Auto Scan State Diagram

When the robot is connected and in automatic mode, the initial state of the robot will be “Current Pixel” state. Once the robot stay at “current pixel”, it will go North/West/East/South base on the navigation and pathfinder. When the robot reach the next pixel, if the pixel is explored, then robot would go back to “Current Pixel” state and go to next pixel again. If the pixel is not explored, then the robot will use its light sensor to scan ground and then Scan all-around. After these actions finish, the robot will go back to the “Current Pixel” state and keep going until all pixels in the map are explored.

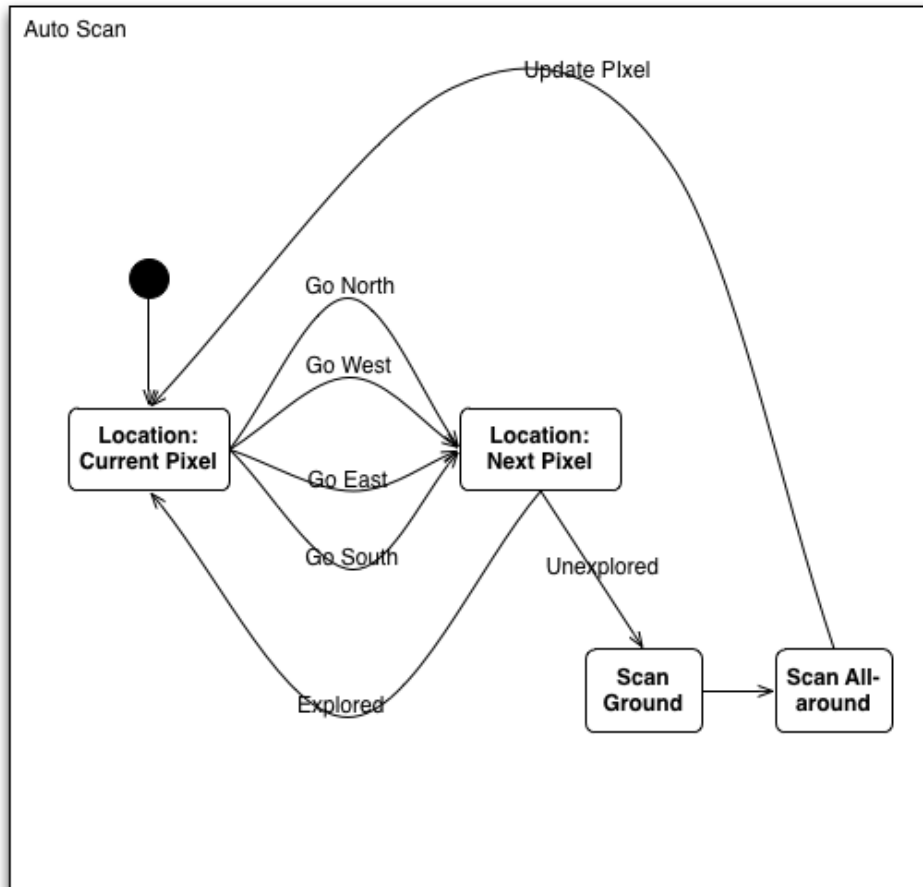


Figure 5.6: Robot auto scan diagram

5.2.3 Robot Manual Control State Diagram

When the robot is connected and in manual mode, the initial state of the robot will be “Stop” state because the robot is waiting any inputs from the user via GUI interface. The GUI has six buttons for robot movement so that there are another six states in this diagram (seven in total). When the user keep pressing the forward button, the robot will stay at “Forward” state and move forward. Once the user release the forward button, the robot will stop and back to “Stop” state. Moreover, if the ultrasonic sensor detects any walls in front of the robot, it will also stop moving forward and back to “Stop” state. The “Backward” state, “Left” state and “Right” state has the same mechanism as “Forward” state has. For the rest of the states, if the user press turn left/right 90 degrees button, the robot will turn left/right 90 degrees automatically and then stop, which means the robot will stay at “Left 90 degrees”/“Right 90 degrees” during the action of the robot. When the robot is stop, it will go back to the “Stop” state.

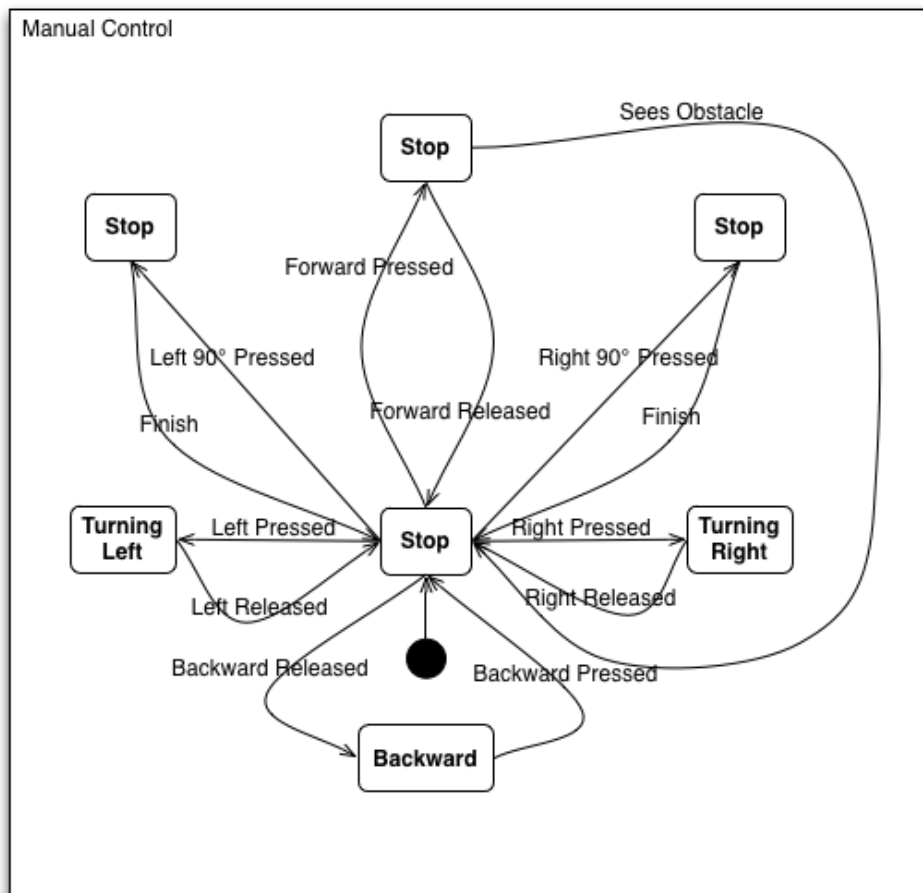


Figure 5.7: Controller state diagram

5.3 Use Case Diagrams

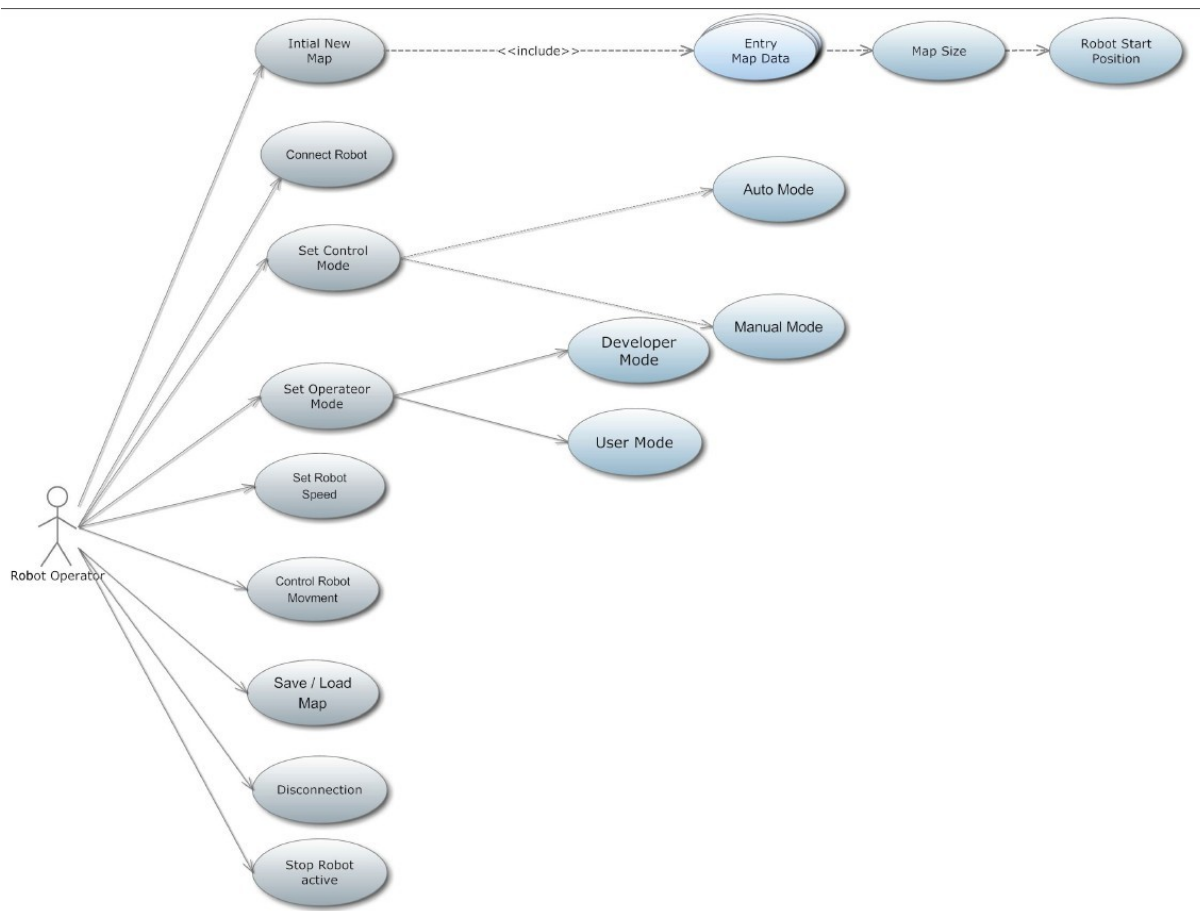


Figure 5.1: Use Case Diagram

The use case diagram above shows all the cases that user can operate on the graphic user interface. Start with initial map, this allow user to set initial value of map like map height, weight and start coordinate. Also a serial of instruction to to set up robot. That include establish robot connection, set operator mode (User/Maintenance), set control mode(Auto/Manual) and set robot movement speed. After robot set up, user can control robot through the control panel to explore the map. In addition user can save map or load map in the process. User also can chose disconnect with the robot or terminate this exploration at any time.

5.4 Interaction Diagrams

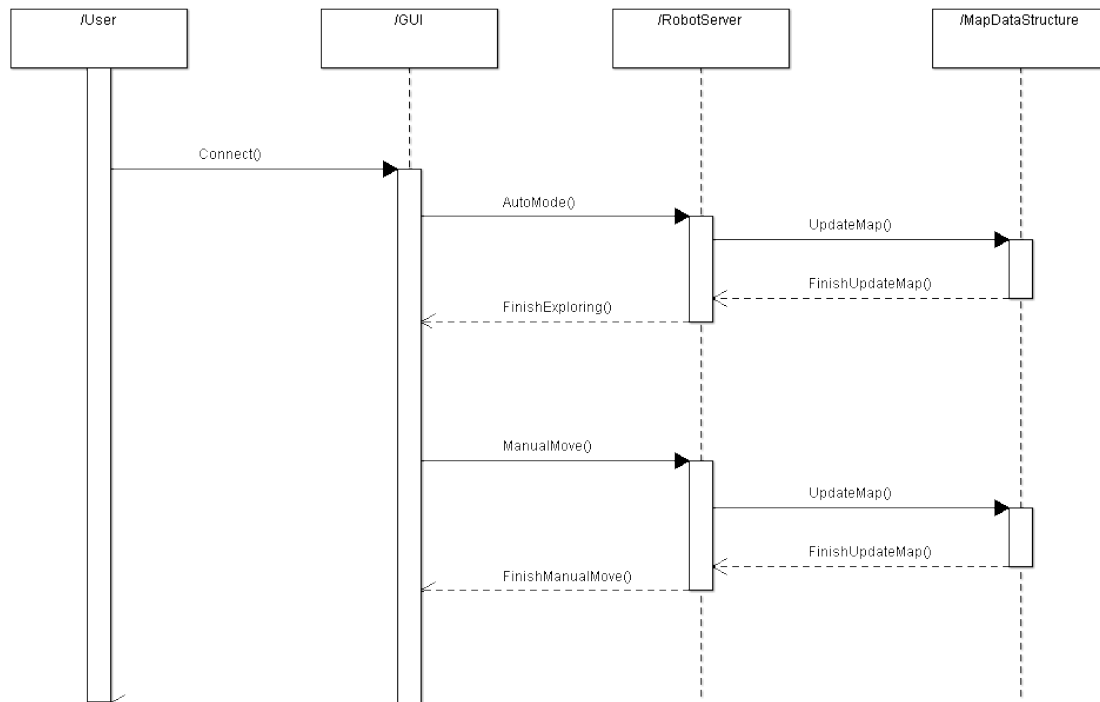


Figure 5.2: Interaction Diagram

The above diagram demonstrates how control is passed during the simple operation of the user manually moving the robot forward.

The GUI calls the Host system's move function, which will do the required safeguard checks and then forward it onto the Host, who will return the distance moved.

Afterwards the Host system will update the map data structure, so when the GUI updates the robot's new position and map display.

Chapter 6

Human Interface Design

6.1 Overview of the User Interface

The Graphical User Interface is used to communicate with the robot. The GUI is connected with robot, the user is able to control the robot by GUI. When the robot finishes its task, the user is allowed to switch off and disconnect with robot. In addition, the GUI demonstrates the status of the robot. The status includes the speed, the power and the location of the robot. The GUI also shows the obstacles, the "no-go" zone and hidden walls, which is able to be checked on the map window.

The GUI is able to demonstrate the follow functions for users:

- Create a new map file.
- Save maps to a XML file
- Load maps from a XML file
- Change the control mode (automatical or manual)
- Connect to the robot via Bluetooth
- Demonstrate the Blue-tooth connection status and Battery status
- Control the moving direction of the robot(i.e. forward, backward, rotating)
- Demonstrate the Icon of the map
- Demonstrate the Log Information
- Change the speed of the robot
- Demonstrate the coordinate of the robot
- Add "no-go" zones to the map

The GUI is displayed below:



Figure 6.1: GUI

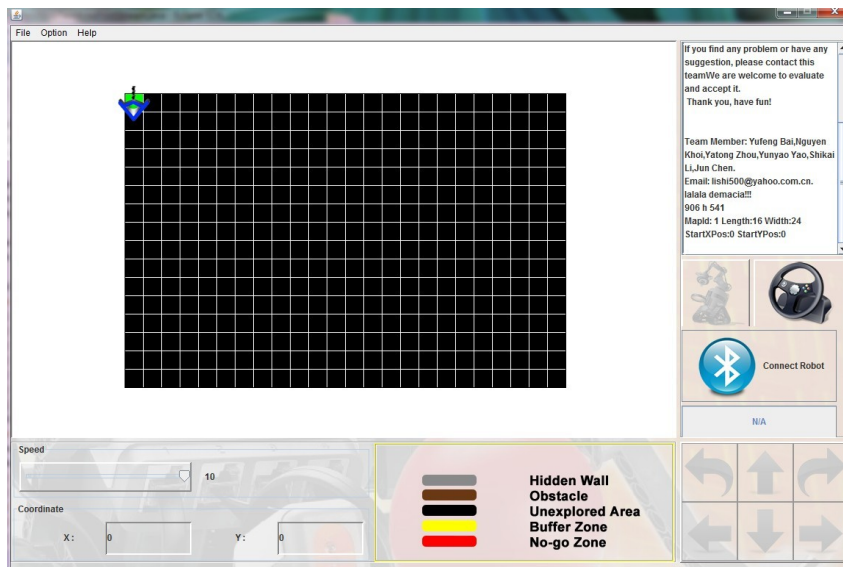


Figure 6.2: GUI WITH MAP

6.2 Detailed Design of the User Interface

6.2.1 Create map

The GUI includes a icon which is used to create a new map. When the user presses the "Create Map" button, there is a window jumping out, the user is able to set the map size and the start point.

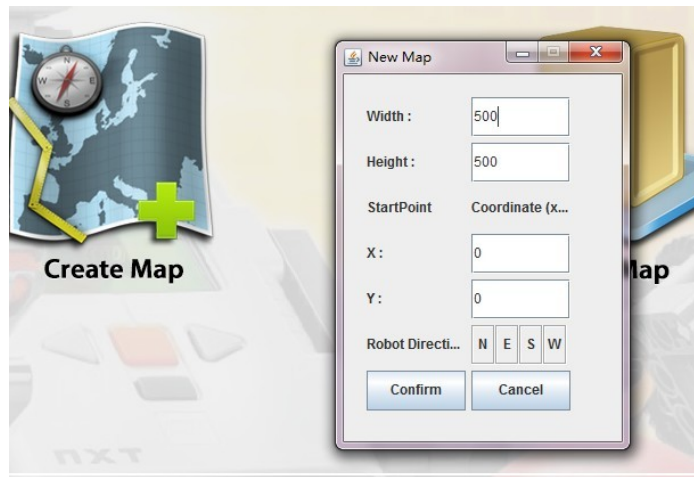


Figure 6.3: Create Map

6.2.2 Save map

The GUI includes a icon which is used to save the map to a XML file. When the user presses the File menu and choose the save option, there is a window jumping out, the user is able to choose the file where they want to save.

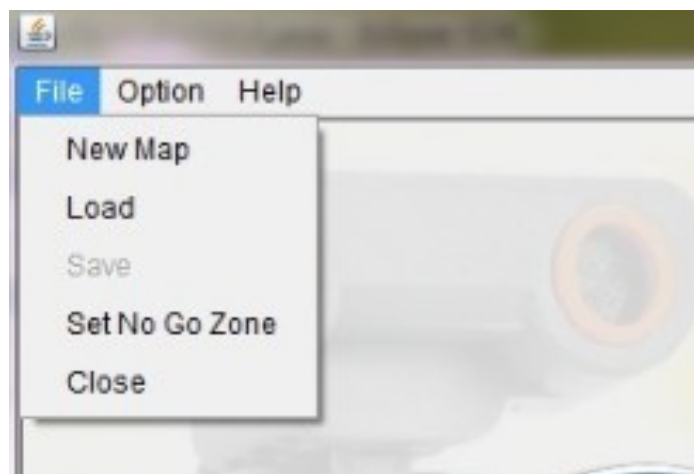


Figure 6.4: Save Map

6.2.3 Load map

The GUI includes a icon which is used to load the map from a XML file. When the user presses that icon, there is a window jumping out, the user is able to choose the map from there.

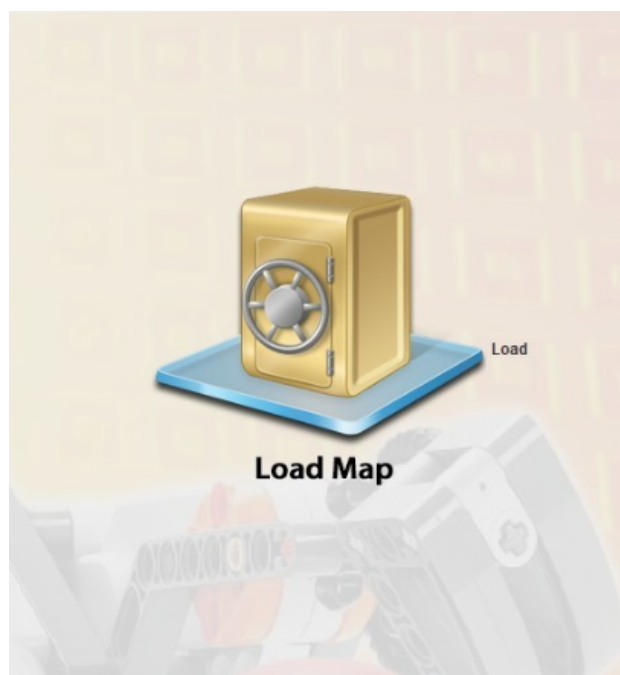


Figure 6.5: Load Map Icon

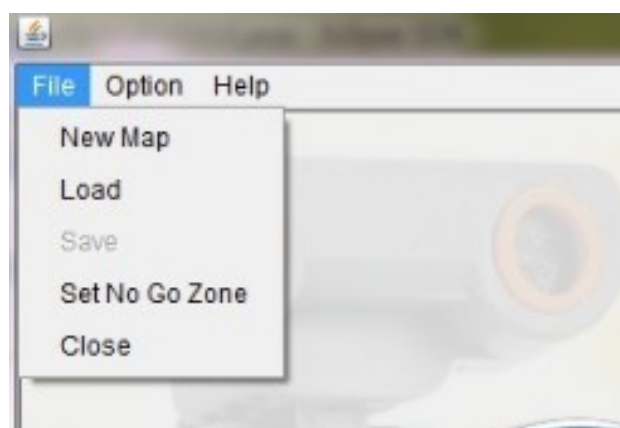


Figure 6.6: Load MAP from menu bar

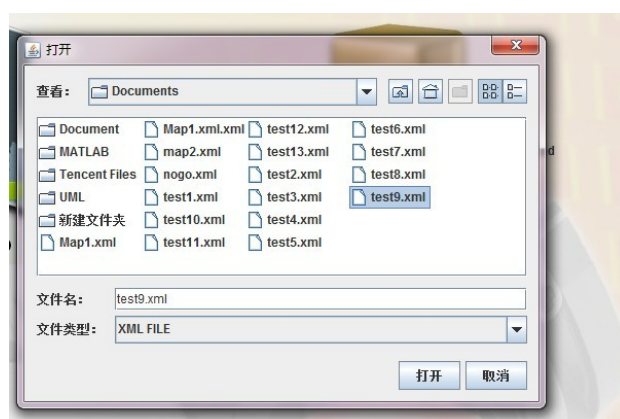


Figure 6.7: Load Map

6.2.4 Change the control mode

The user is allowed to change the control mode by pressing the mode button. When the user presses the Auto mode button, there is a widget jumping out. Then if the user presses "yes",

the robot changes to the Auto mode. The user is allowed to do the same operation to change to the Manual mode. The Log information display which mode it is currently.

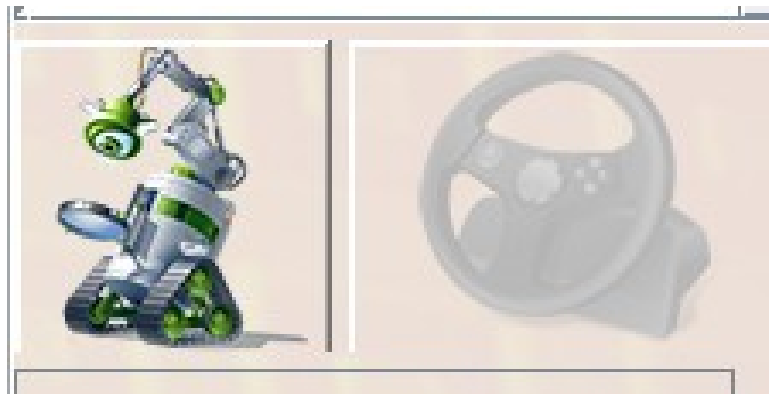


Figure 6.8: Change Mode



Figure 6.9: Change Mode icon

6.2.5 Connect to the robot via Blue-tooth

Once the user press the control button on the robot, the robot will wait for blue-tooth connection. The user should press the blue-tooth connection button on the GUI to connect between the robot and the Host system.

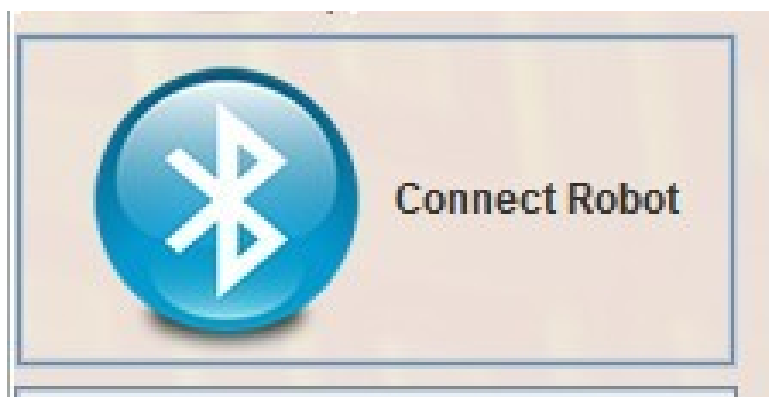


Figure 6.10: Blue-tooth Connection Button

6.2.6 Demonstrate the Blue-tooth and battery status

The Blue-tooth and battery status are displayed on the GUI, if the Blue-tooth loses the connection, the color of the blue-tooth button will change to gray and the log information board will demonstrate the lose information. The power of the battery is displayed by the percentage number and the colour of the battery bar will change along with the battery level.

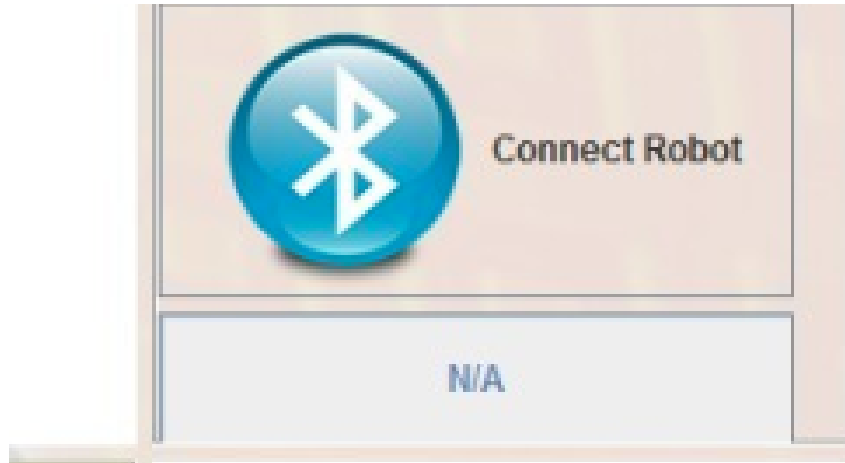


Figure 6.11: Blue-tooth and battery demonstration



Figure 6.12: Blue-tooth Loss

6.2.7 Control the moving direction of the robot

The robot is able to be controlled by GUI when the robot is changed to the Manual mode. The user is allowed to press the arrows to move the robot. The robot is able to move forward, backward and rotate(include rotate 90 angles and rotate 360 angles). The moving direction controlling only can be used in Manual mode.

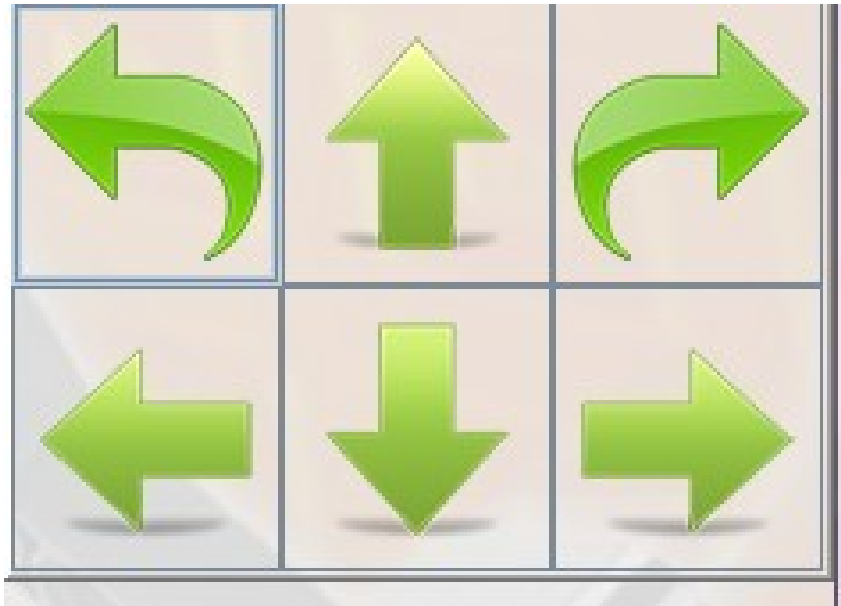


Figure 6.13: Moving control

6.2.8 Demonstrate the icon of the map

The robot and map information are required to be displayed on the GUI. It is necessary to use different icons(colors) to demonstrate the different map information.



Figure 6.14: Icon of the map

6.2.9 Demonstrate information of the GUI on the log information board

The Log Information board displays the information of the GUI. For example, the Log Information board demonstrates the version and the developers of the robot. If the user changes the control mode, the board displays which mode it is now. The board also is required to indicate the connection information.



Figure 6.15: The logging information

6.2.10 Control the speed of the robot

The GUI includes a speed bar and one specific number to control the speed of the robot. The host is allowed to change the speed of the robot by change the number of the bar. The larger number means the faster the robot is. If the number is zero, it means the robot stops immediately.

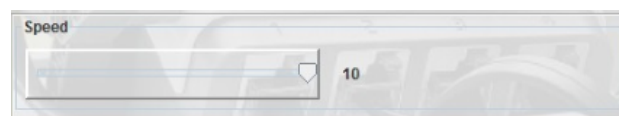


Figure 6.16: The speed controlling

6.2.11 The location of the robot

The GUI is required to display the specific location of the robot. The map is made up of a lot of pixels. The location of the robot is able to display by coordinate, which is more accurate. When the robot moves, the coordinate will changes immediately.



Figure 6.17: The coordinate of the robot

6.2.12 Add "no-go" zones to the map

Users can add "no-go" zones to the map by pressing the Option menu and choose the Set No Go Zone option. Then users can use mouse clicks to set the size of the "no-go" zone. Also, users can redo or undo the setting of "no-go" zone.

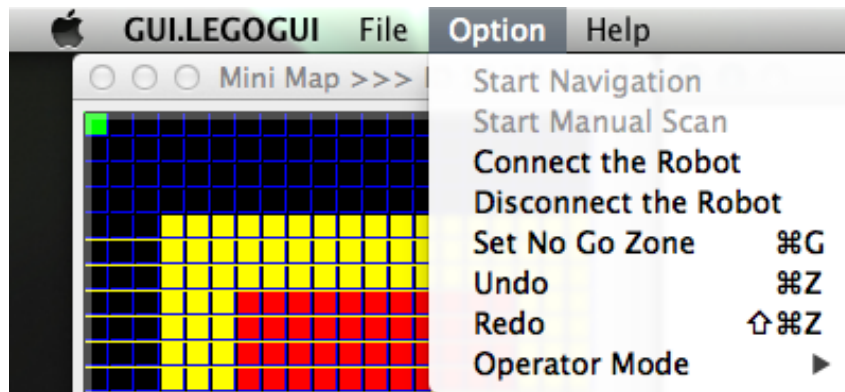


Figure 6.18: Set No-go Zone Option

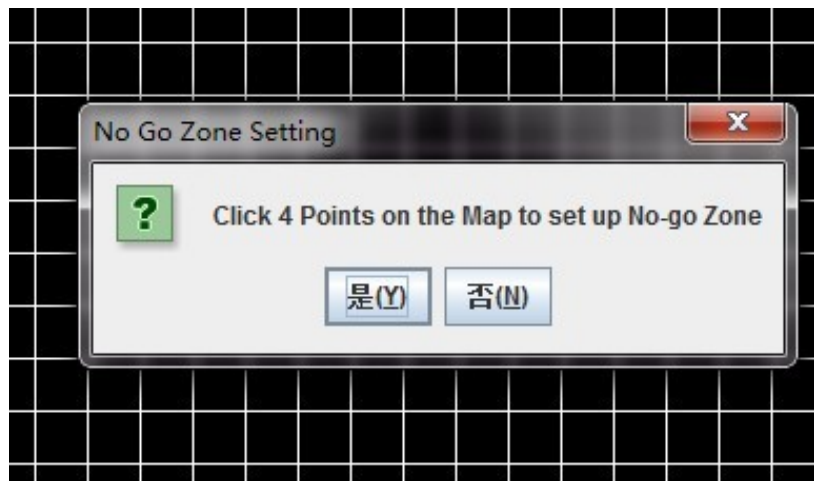


Figure 6.19: Set No-go Zone

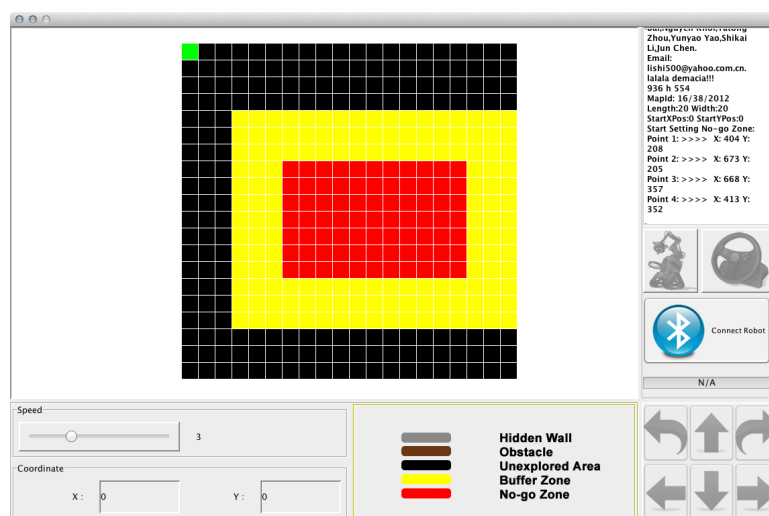


Figure 6.20: No-go Zone

Chapter 7

Resource Estimates

The resource of the project is estimated according to the Project Description and the client's requirements in every week's meeting. All hardware and software which are used in the project are demonstrated below.

7.1 Hardware

7.1.1 Robot

Name: NXT Robot includes all components of the robot:

- LCD display - to display detail information of the robot
- Control buttons - to control robot and connect to the host machine.
- Light sensor - to detect hidden walls
- Ultrasonic sensor - to detect obstacles

Function: The robot is used to search the map and find all the obstacles, hidden walls and "no-go" zone. All operations are required to finish by controlling the robot.

7.1.2 Host

Name: PC

Function: The PC is required to demonstrate the searching information of the robot. PC is also used to control the robot on Manual Mode. The programs are uploaded to the robot from the PC.

7.1.3 Connection

Name: Blue-tooth and USB

Function: The Blue-tooth and USB are all used to connect with the robot. The USB is limited by the length of the cable. The Blue-tooth is limited by the uploading speed. In this project, the USB is used to upload the program and the Blue-tooth is used to implement the manual control.

7.2 Software

7.2.1 Operation Environment

Name: Mac, Linux and Windows

Function: This project is not providing the working environment. Any system is able to develop the programs for the robot.

7.2.2 Developing language

Name: Java SE 6, latex

Function: The codes are allowed to write in Java language, which is convenient to be read by any developers. The documents are required to write by Latex, then generating the pdf documents.

7.2.3 Developing tool

Name: Eclipse

Function: Eclipse is a better tool to make the program for this project. The Eclipse is used to write the operation commands for the robot and draw the GUI for this project.

7.2.4 Robot Software

Name: leJOS 0.9.1

Function: The leJOS is used to control the robot and developing tool is required to support the leJOS 0.9.1.

7.2.5 Testing tool

Name: JUnit

Function: The JUnit is used to debug the code.

Chapter 8

Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

8.1 Acronyms and Abbreviation

Acronyms/Abbreviation	Description
API	Application Programmable Interface
BT	Blue-tooth
GUI	Graphical User Interface
PC	Personal Computer
SRS	Software Requirements Specifications
SPMP	Software Project Management Plan
UML	Unified Modelling Language
USB	Universal Serial Bus
XML	eXtensible Markup Language

Table 1: Acronyms/Abbreviations

8.2 Definitions

1. API: A set of classes and interfaces which are used to make the program for the robot include PC API and lejos API.
2. BT: A device to implement the wireless connection.
3. GUI: A interface which is generated on the PC is used to send the commands to the robot.
4. PC: A device which is used to make the program for the robot and build the GUI.
5. UML: A modelling language is used to build the diagrams for the project.
6. USB: A device to implement the wired connection.
7. XML: The data structure is used to store the map information.