Software Design Document

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Abstract

This document will provide a detailed overview of the software requirements and design specifications that have been used in our robot. Functions are covered with provisions to different views of the system and to design decisions made within them.

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1 EDIT HISTORY

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2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Purpose

Our vehicle is a fully autonomous robot that is capable of localization, navigation, obstacle avoidance, odometry, and retrieving a ball that can be shot into a target. In addition, the robot is capable of defending all the listed capabilities. The purpose of this document is to provide a detailed overview about the software implementation used in the robot. The functionality will be covered with provisions from different views including class diagrams, sequence diagrams, and overall system architecture.

2.2 Context

See requirements document included in the reference package.

2.3 Audience

This technical document is intended for parties who are interested in maintaining, testing, or extending the software that is included with the project. It is assumed that all readers have a sufficient understanding of programming, software design, and the LeJOS API.

2.4 Scope

The scope of our project will be limited to only achieving the list of requirements specified by the client. Therefore, no additional features will be added.

3 FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Overview

Shown below is a use case diagram of our system. In order to initialize, the robot must be connected to retrieve parameters from the competition server. Based on the parameters given, the robot will either play offense or defense. Regardless of its position, the robot will go through it standard routines which includes localization, odometer, navigation, and obstacle avoidance. On offense, the robot will have additional cases for retrieving the ball and shooting it. On defense, the robot will rely on its standard routines to properly defend.

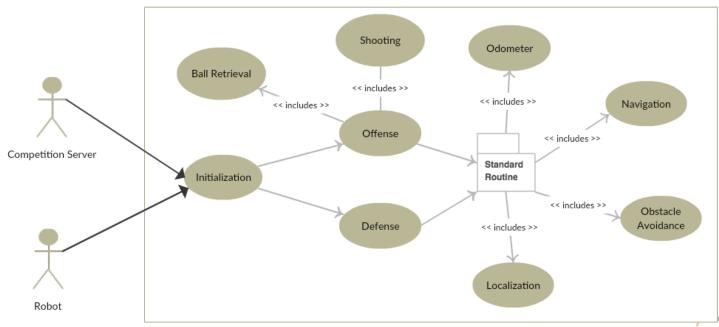


Figure 1: Use Case Diagram

- 3.2 WiFi
- 3.3 Odometry
- 3.4 Navigation
- 3.5 Obstacle Avoidance
- 3.6 Localization
- 3.7 Ball Retrieval
- 3.8 Scoring
- 3.9 Defense

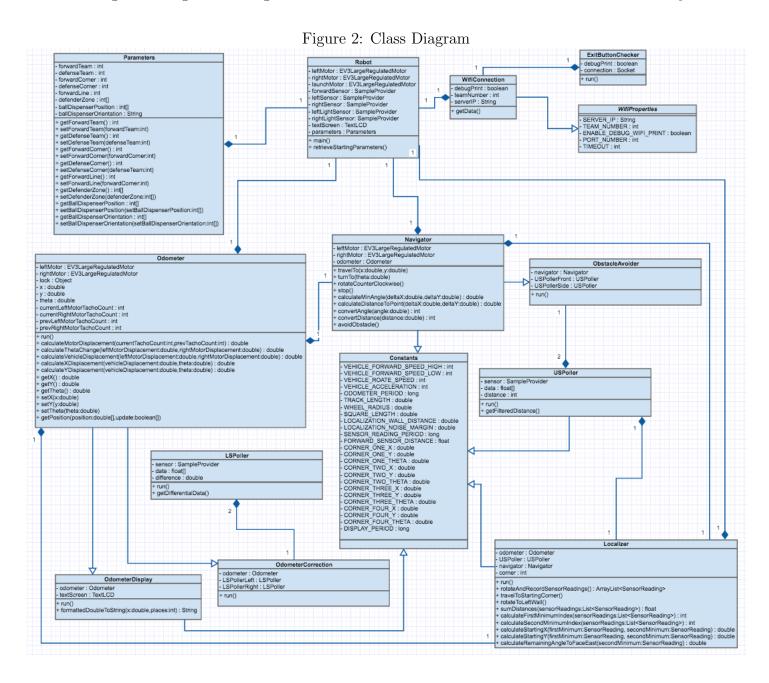
4 NON-FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1 Battery Efficiency
- 4.2 Response Time

5 SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

5.1 Overview

The following class diagram is a high level overview of the software architecture built into our system.



5.2 Structure

As shown in the above diagram, the software of the robot can seem quite complex. However, each class in the system can be split into one of the five structural software packages. These structural components include controller, object, resource, utility, and wifi packages.

- Controller Package: The role of the controller classes are to simply control the robot and perform all actions in the standard routine package. This includes localizing, navigation, odometer, shooting, correction, and obstacle avoidance.
- Object Package: The classes in the object package represent components of either the field or robot. In most cases these objects are custom software layers built on top of the EV3 API and used to access output values in the hardware. In other cases, these are simply plain old java object (POJO) templates.
- Resource Package: Classes in the resource package store all the static constants throughout the software. It provides a central referencing system for easy refactoring and keeps all variables consistent throughout the code.
- Utility Package: The utility package holds various helper classes that can be used by the robot in various miscellaneous situations.
- Wifi Package: The wifi package includes classes that are used to connect to the wifi server in order to recieve commands from a central system.

6 AUTOMATION

6.1 Unit Testing

In order to ensure the code works as expected, the software is bundled with a set of unit tests. These unit tests are written with the JUnit framework and covers all the logic involved in the functioning of the robot. These tests should be ran each time a change is made to make sure no prior code has been broken in the update process.

6.2 Continuous Integration Build

The software also includes a continuous integration build file which uses the apache ant command line tool. Upon new changes to the software, the following ant commands can be ran in the terminal:

- ant clean cleans the current build directory, deleting any cached files
- ant compile compiles all the code and puts them into a build directory (has a dependency on ant clean)
- ant test-compile compiles all the testing classes and puts them into a build directory (has a dependency on ant compile)

• ant test - runs all the unit tests that are packaged in the software (has a dependency on ant test-compile)

The CI build is also integrated into the remote Git Hub repository through the Travis CI plug-in. Upon pushing any code to the remote repository, all the build commands will be ran to ensure nothing has been broken and printing out a stack trace if something went wrong. This is allows for easy collaboration and quick development for any future updates to the software.

7 REFERENCES

8 GLOSSARY OF TERMS