

# Introduction to Robotics

## CSE461

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# Course Outcome

| Sl. | CO Description   | Weightage (%) |
|-----|--|---------------|
| CO1 | Understand basic robotics that includes the law of robotics, uses of a robot, mechanical aspect of robot, type of primitive architecture, perceiving the environment, motor action, and different types of processing. | 25            |
| CO2 | Implement different algorithms to 4DOF arm control, including forward and reverse kinematics. Examine Robot Control system and Navigation  | 20            |
| CO3 | Relate camera vision, sensors, machine learning, deep learning, and other AI algorithms with robot vision.   | 20            |
| CO4 | Categorize robot communication protocols (I2C, UART, USB, SPI, RS 485, Canbus, Modbus, LoRa, Bluetooth, RF, Zigbee, Wifi)  | 15            |
| CO5 | Investigating different types of robots, their characteristics, features, and applications, Design and Develop a Robot to solve a real-life problem.   | 20            |

# Lesson Plan

- Introduce basic robotics that include the law of robotics, uses of robot, mechanical aspect of robot, type of primitive architecture, perceiving the environment, motor action, mechanical design, different types of processing and recent robotic trends.
- Review on Linear algebra and trigonometry, Robot Arm Forward Kinematics, Robot Arm Inverse Kinematics
- Robot Vision and Perception including vision sensors, visual servoing, physical sensors and LIDAR.
- Control Theory: Classic Feedback Diagram, First-Order and Second-Order Systems, PID Controller
- Navigation: Basics of Navigation, Localization techniques and Mapping
- Applications of AI and Machine Learning in Computer
- Introduce robot communication protocols including I2C, UART, USB, SPI, RS 485, Canbus, Modbus, LoRa, Bluetooth, RF, Zigbee, Wifi and other modern protocols.
- Case Study and Presentation.

# Reference Books

- Introduction to AI robotics by Murphy, Robin
- Intelligent systems and robotics by George W. Zobrist and C.Y. Ho.
- Springer Handbook of Robotics by Bruno Siciliano, Oussama Khatib
- Robotics, Vision and Control: Fundamental Algorithms In MATLAB, Second Edition by Peter Corke
- Modern Robotics: Mechanics, Planning, and Control by Kevin M. Lynch
- Probabilistic Robotics by Sebastian Thrun, Wolfram Burgard, Dieter Fox
- Introduction to Robotics by S K Saha
- Robotics: Control, Sensing, Vision, and Intelligence by K S Fu, Rafael C. Gonzalez, C S G Lee

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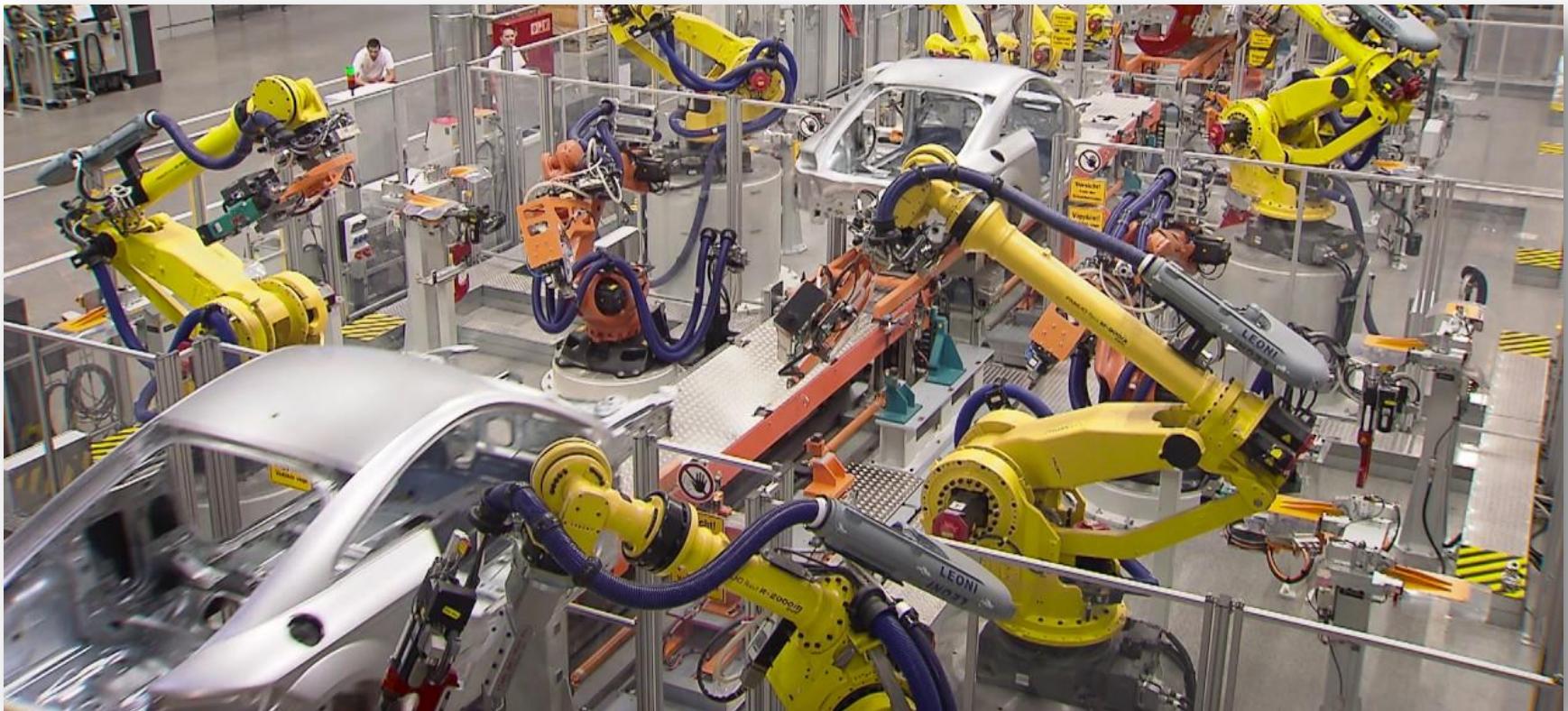
- **Quizzes/Class Tests: 15%**
- **Assignments: 10%**
- **Mid Term Examination: 20%**
- **Final Examination: 30%**
- **Lab: 25%**
- **Total: 100%**

# Objective of Robotics

- Industry Automation
- Smart, IoT and Embedded Systems
- Efficient task specific Robot

4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution

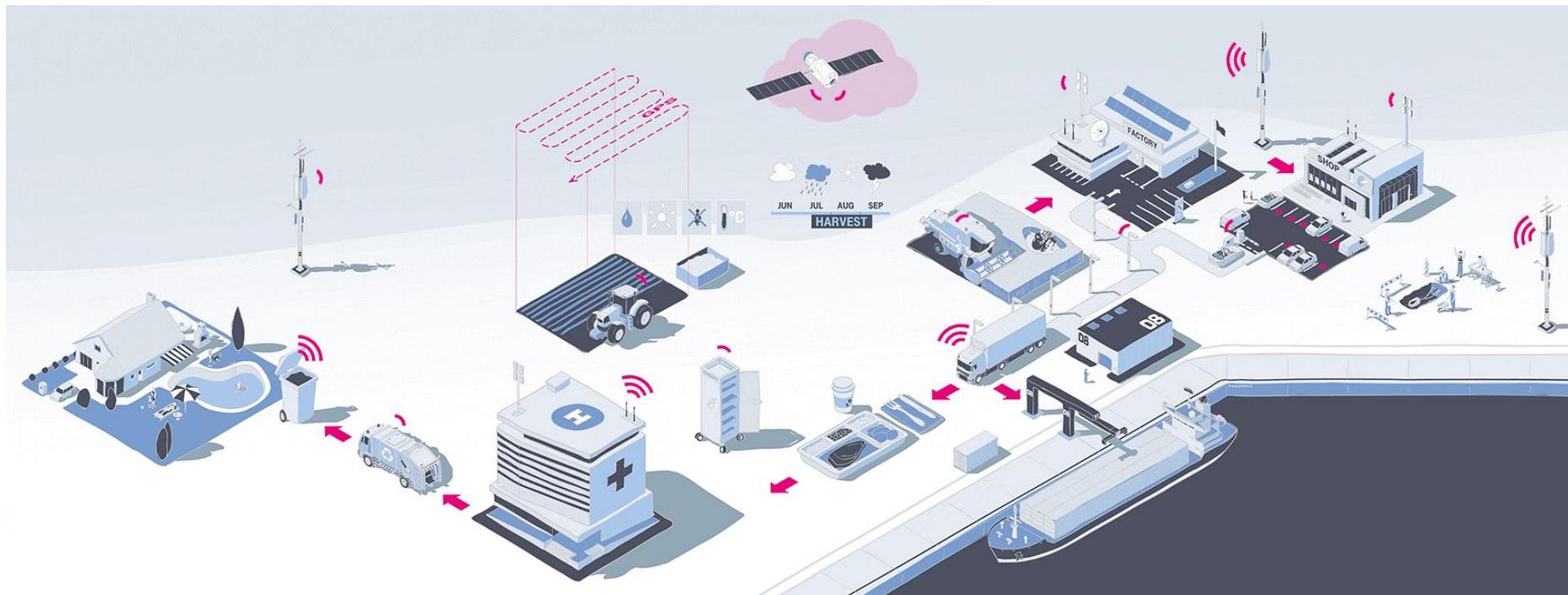
# Industry Automation



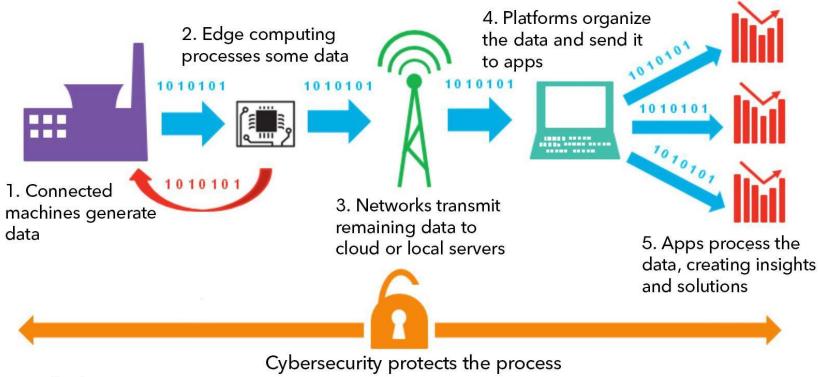


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HX6M4QunVmA>

# Connects Everything that has the ability to communicate automatically and Smart way



# IoT+Cloud+Blockchain



Before 2005



Closed and centralized IoT networks

Today



Open access IoT networks,  
centralized cloud

2025 and beyond



Open access IoT networks,  
distributed cloud

# By Fusion of technologies...



# Application specific Robot



# Application specific Robot

*Aibo*

*JIBO*

*Cozmo*

*Kirobo Mini*

*KUBO*

*Georgia Tech*

*Rovables*

*NAO Humanoid*

*Pepper*

*Moley*

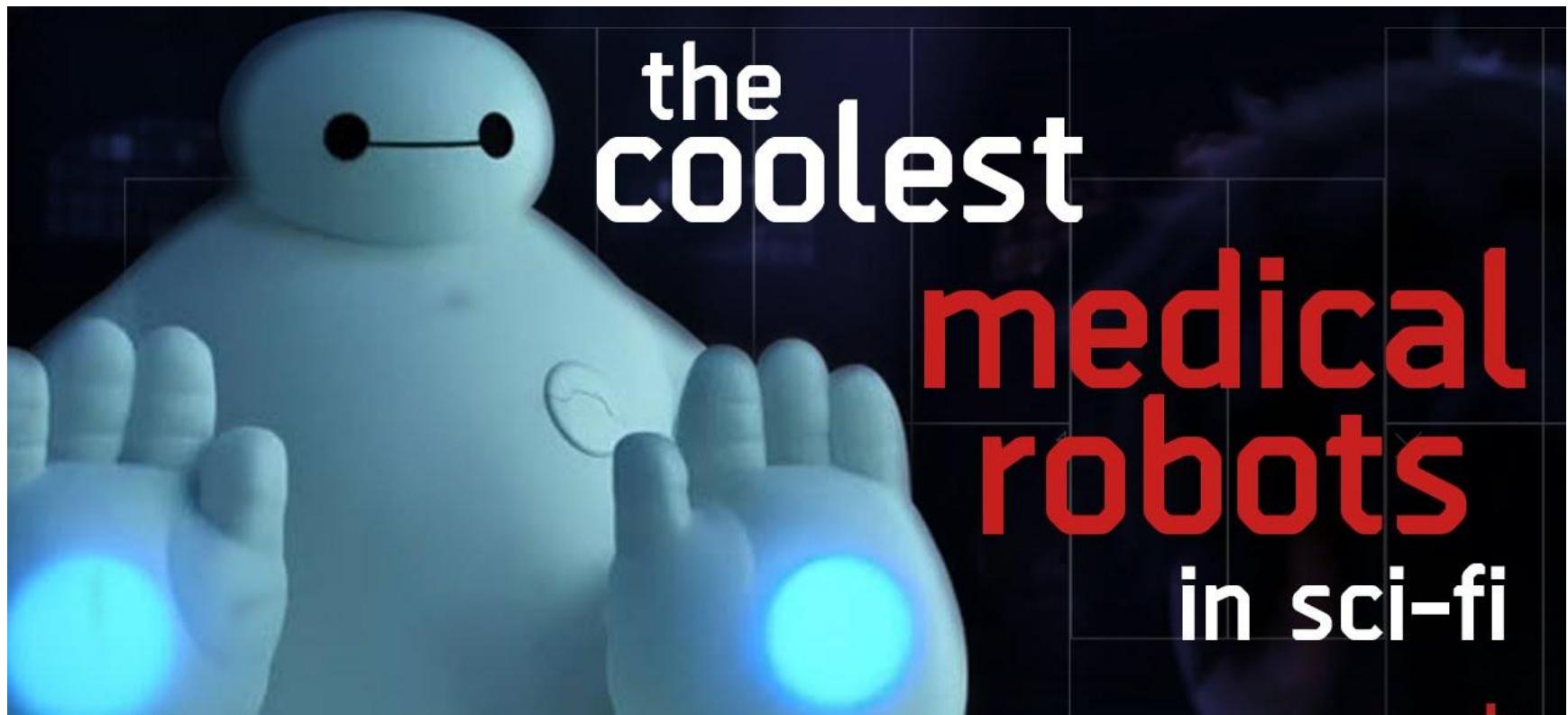
*Rtoz.org*

*Top 10 Family Robots*

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**robots**  
in sci-fi

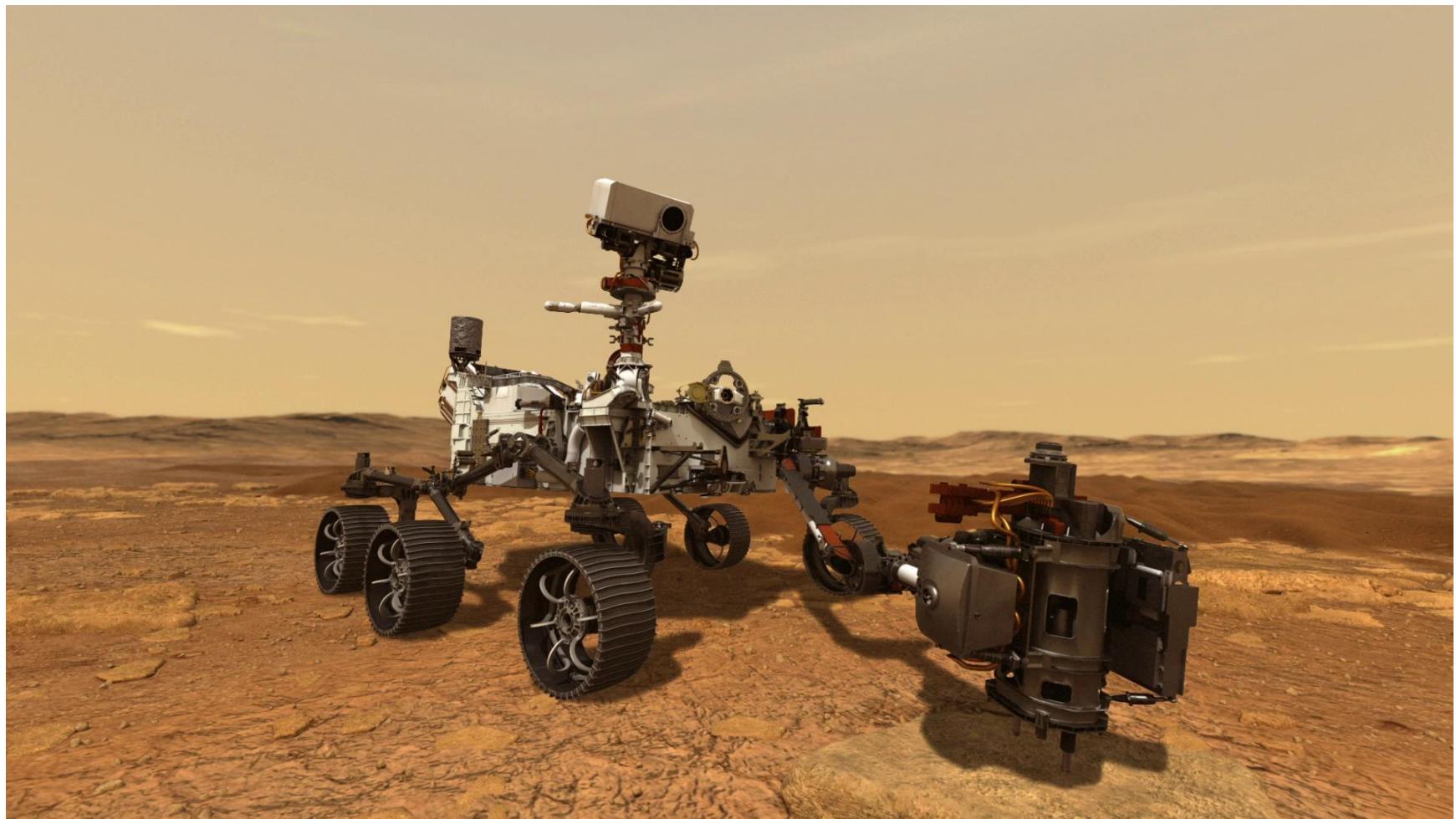
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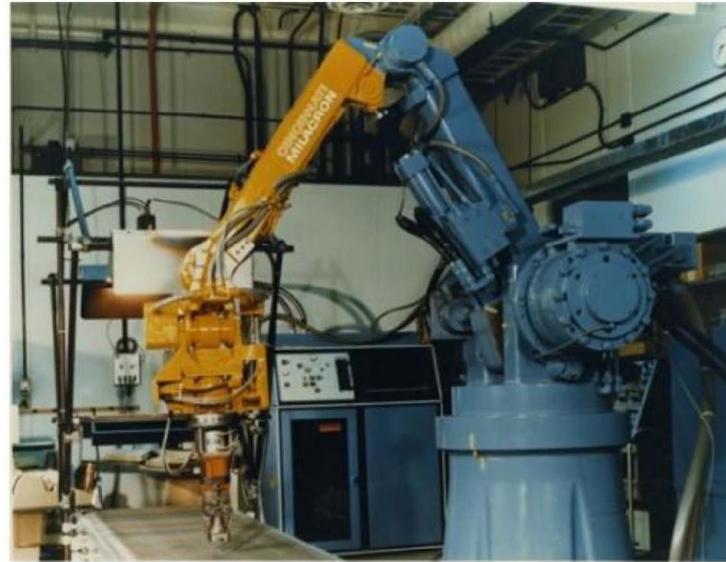
# What is our ultimate goal?

- Robotics
- Embedded System
- Super Human (Ironman)
- Intelligent Machine



# Why Intelligent Machines?

- Energy Saving
- Accuracy
- Convenience
- Efficiency
- Adaptability in Dynamic Environment
- Perform Dull, Dirty, difficult and Dangerous Job



# Do Things that Living Things Can't



- Fukushima
- World Trade center
- RANA Complex
- Tajrin fashion



# Dull, Dirty, difficult and Dangerous



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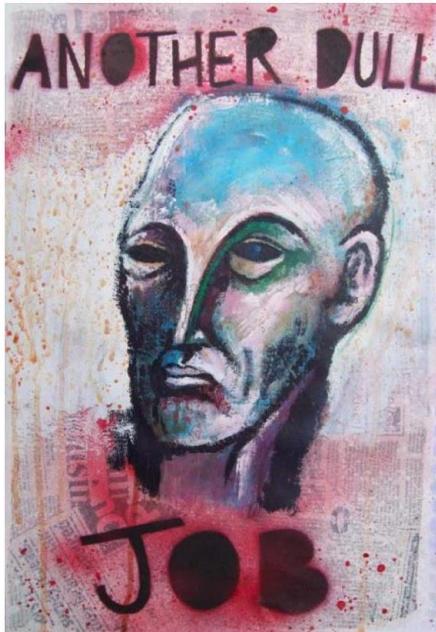
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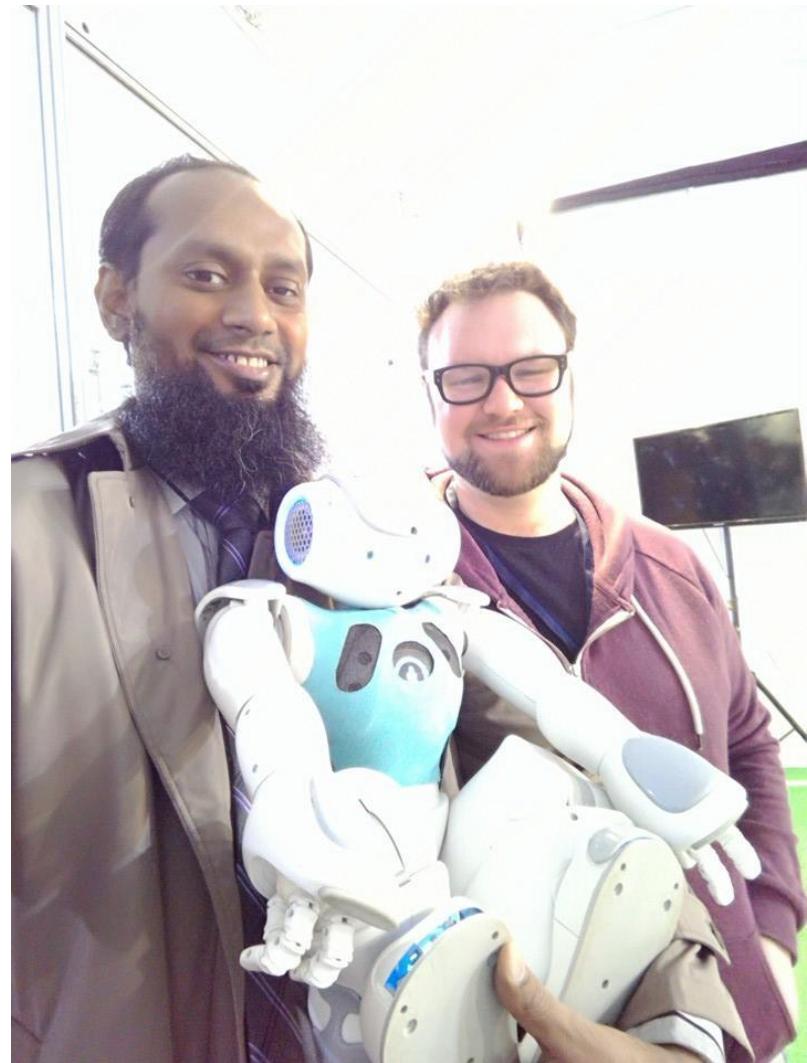
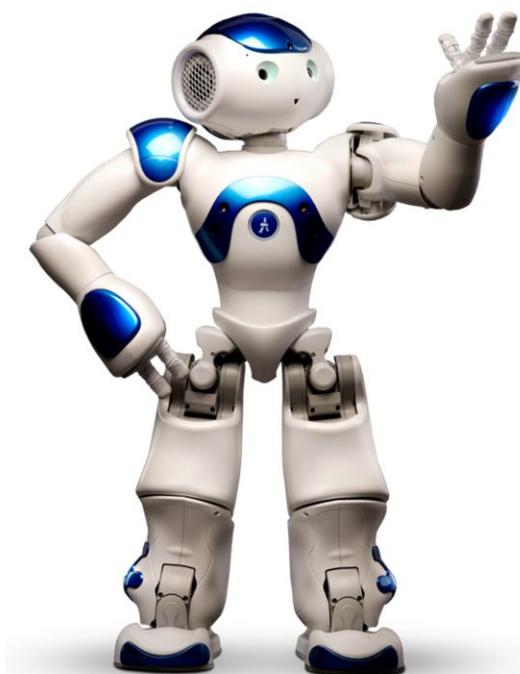
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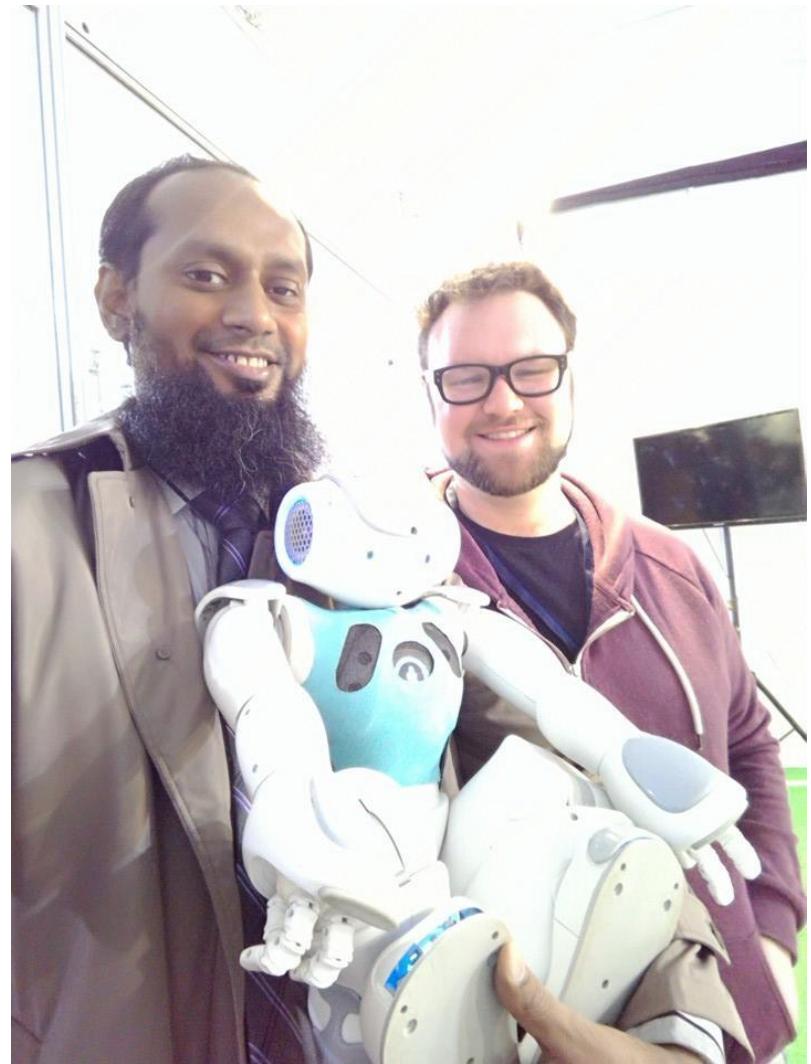
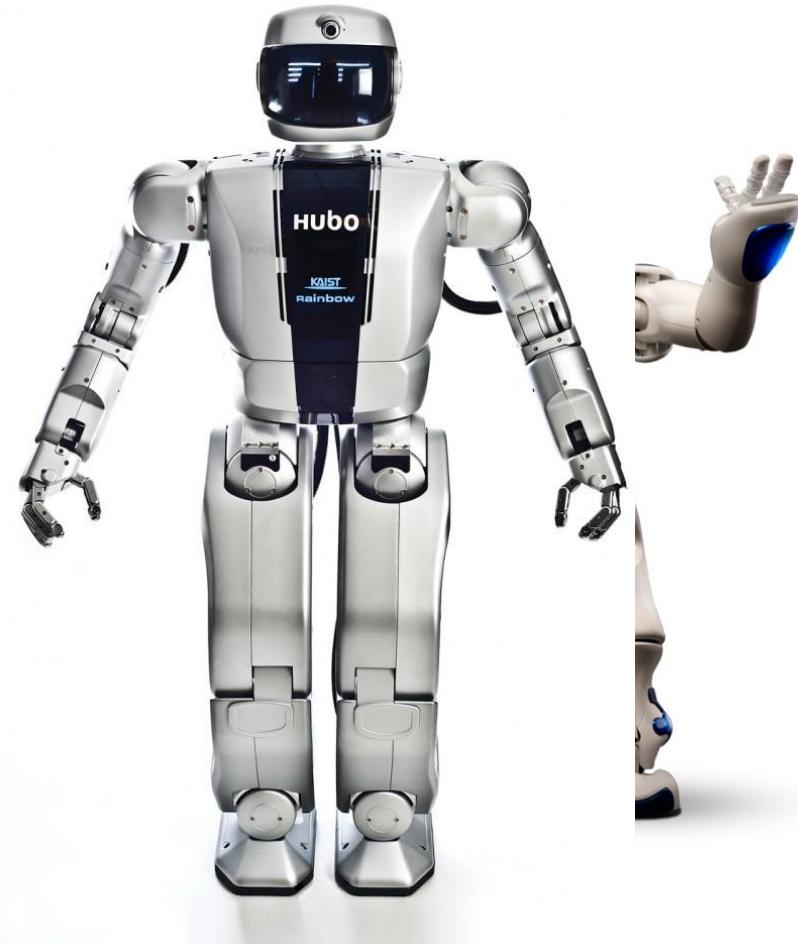
# Why Superhuman?

- Limitation of:
  - Perfect Sensing
  - Numerical Processing
  - Muscle Power
  - Communication
  - Path planning
  - Localization
- Overcome by:
  - Sensor fusion
  - Computer
  - Motor, Actuator, Engine and Engineering
  - Communication Technologies and NLP
  - Algorithms
  - GPS

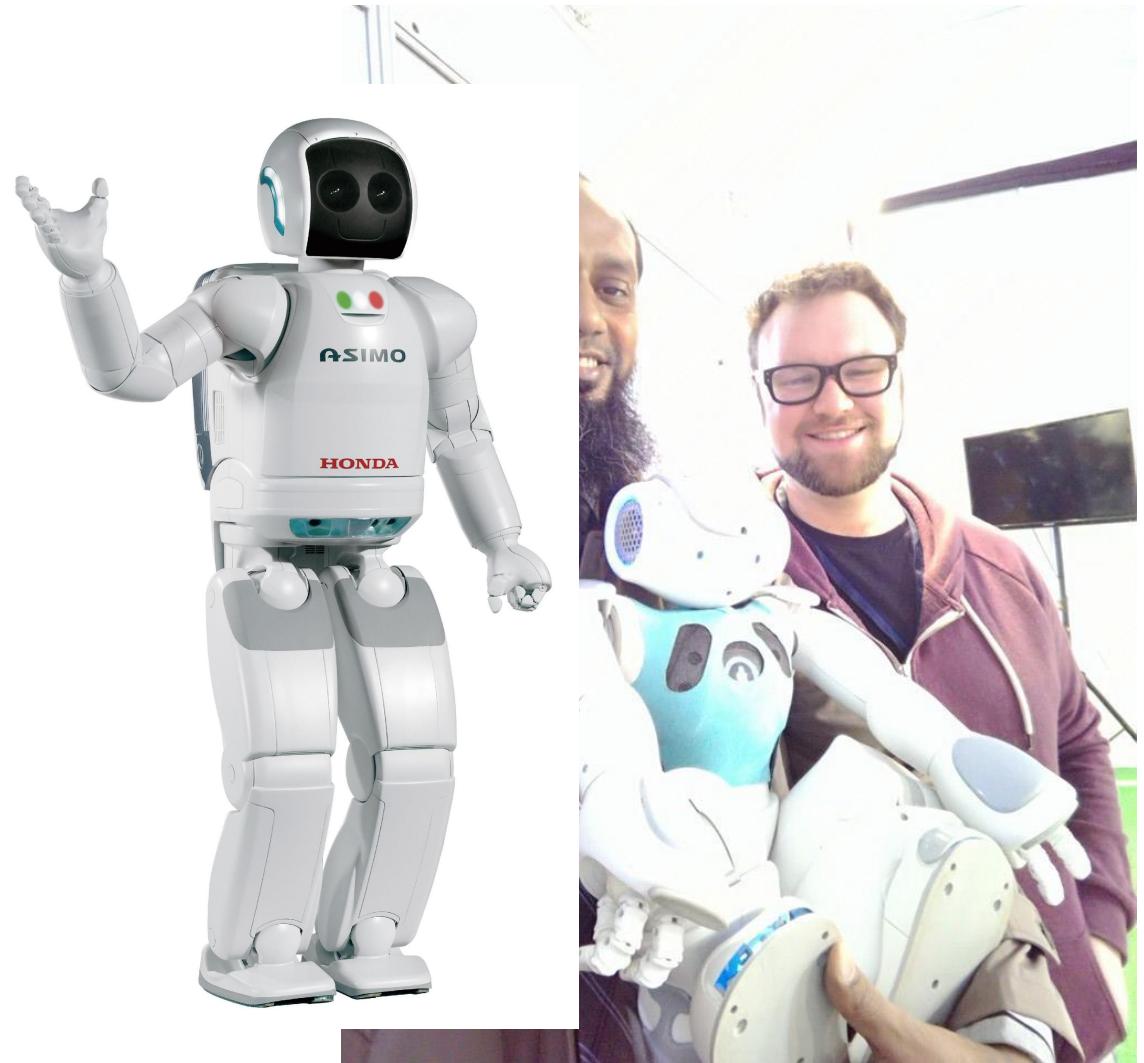
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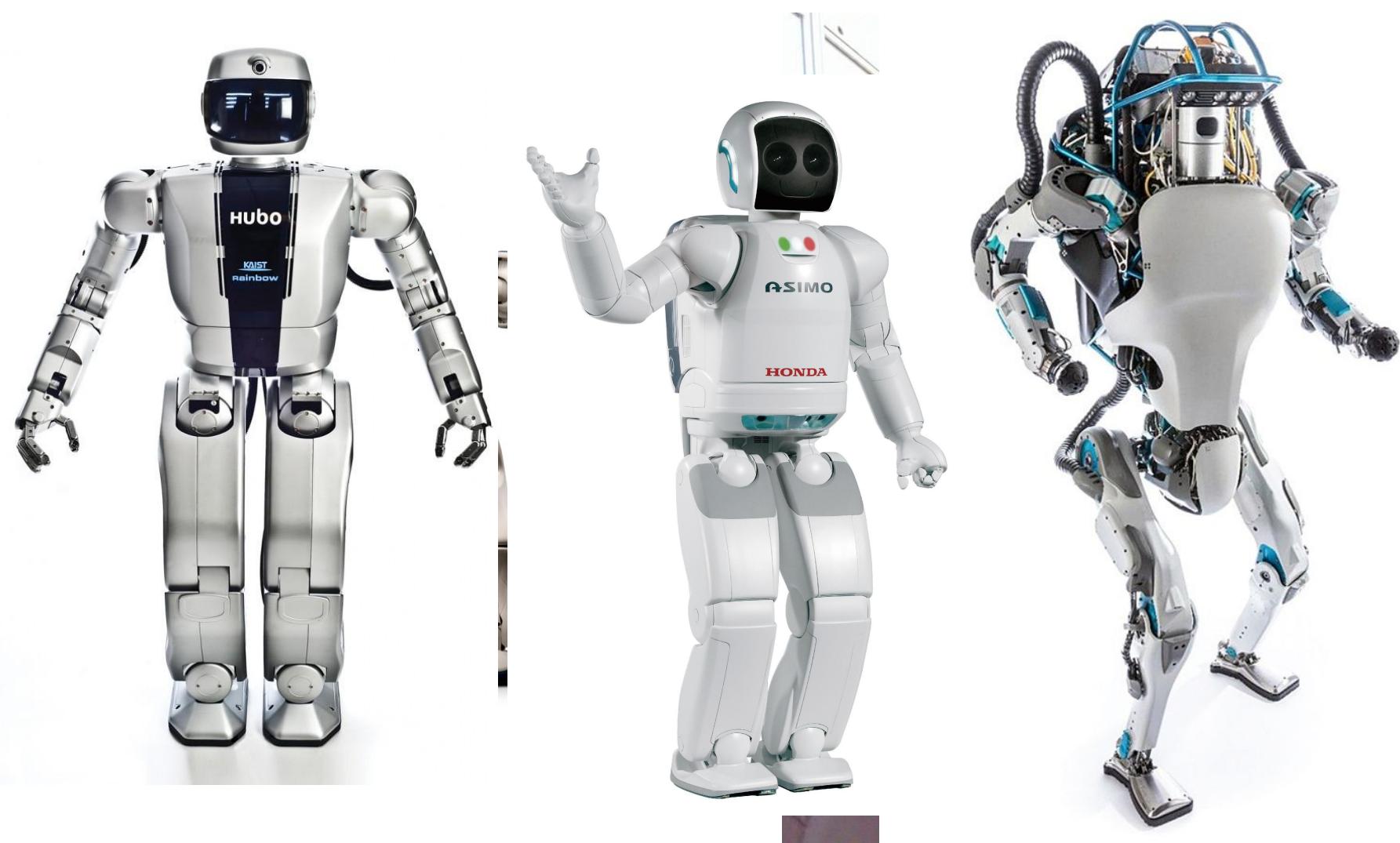
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# Robot



# Law of AI Robot

1. A robot must not harm human being, nor through in action allow one to come to harm.
2. A robot must always obey human beings, unless that is in conflict with the first law.
3. A robot must protect from harm, unless that is in conflict with the first two laws.
4. A robot always should have a kill switch.

# Thumb Rules on the decision of a Robot Uses

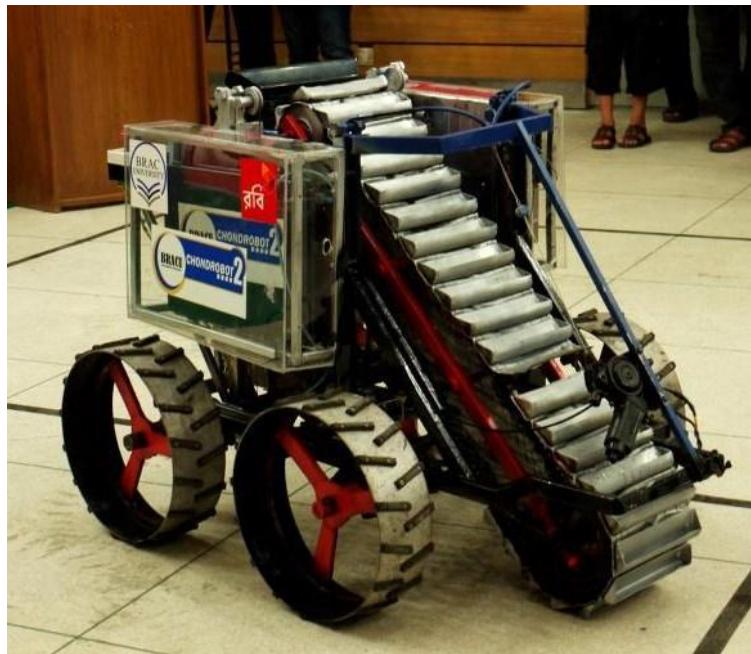
- The first rule to consider, what is known as the Four D of Robotics, i.e. is the task dirty, dull, dangerous, or difficult? If so, a human will probably not be able to do the job efficiently. Therefore, the job is appropriate for automation or for robotic labor.
- The second rule is that a robot may not leave a human jobless. Robotics and automation must serve to make our lives more enjoyable, not miserable.
- A third rule involves asking whether you can find people who are willing to do the job. If not, the job is a candidate for automation and Robotics.
- A four rule of thumb is that the use of robots or automation must make short-term and long-term economic sense.

# Uncrewed Vehicle

- Remote control vehicle (RC)
- Unmanned ground vehicle (UGV)
- Unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)
  - Unmanned combat aerial vehicle (UCAV)
  - Miniature UAV (SUAV)
  - Delivery drone
  - Micro air vehicle (MAV)
  - Target drone
- Autonomous spaceport drone ship
- Unmanned surface vehicle (USV)
- Unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV)
  - Remotely operated underwater vehicle (ROUV)
  - Autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV)
- Uncrewed spacecraft: robotic spacecraft or space probe



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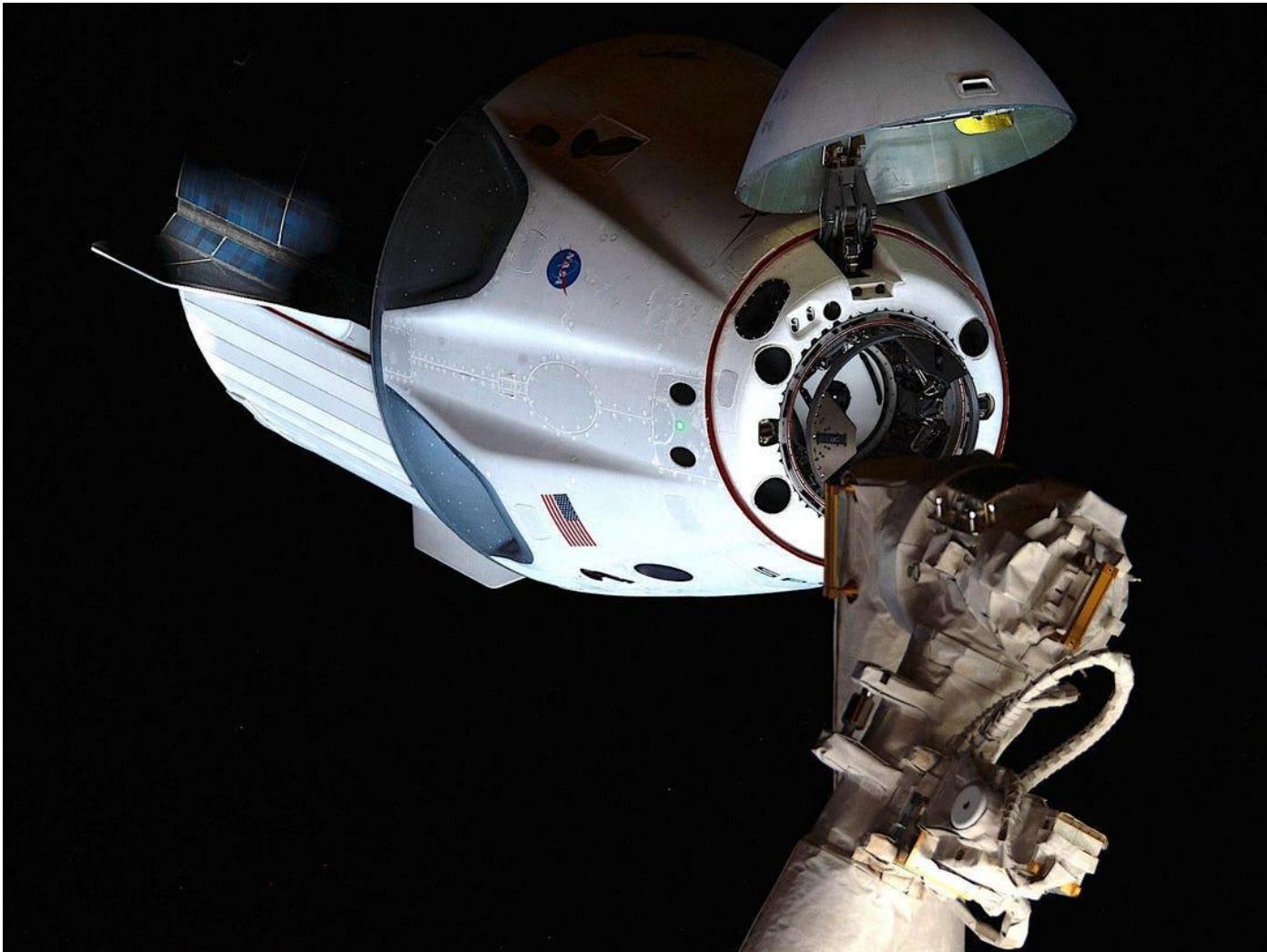
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# Uncrewed spacecraft



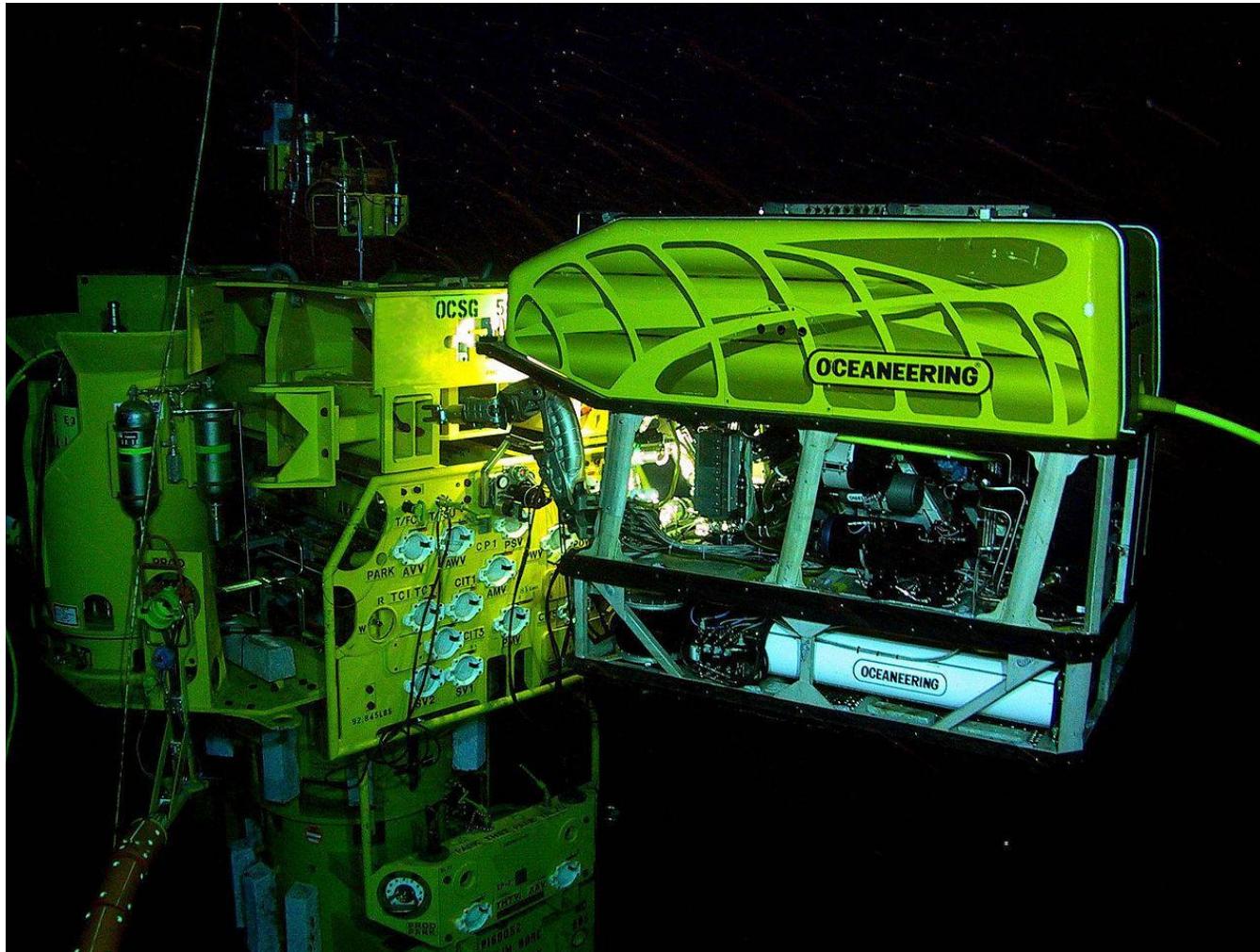
# Autonomous spaceport drone ship



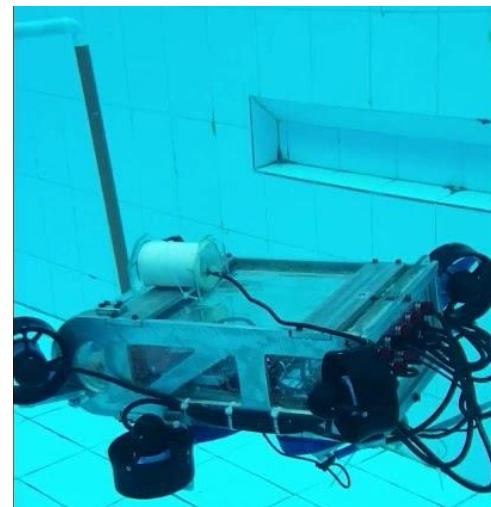
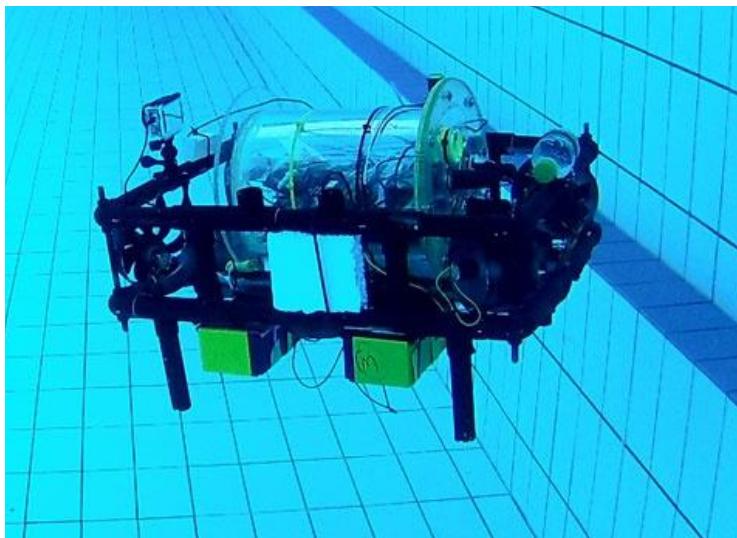
# Unmanned surface vehicle (USV)



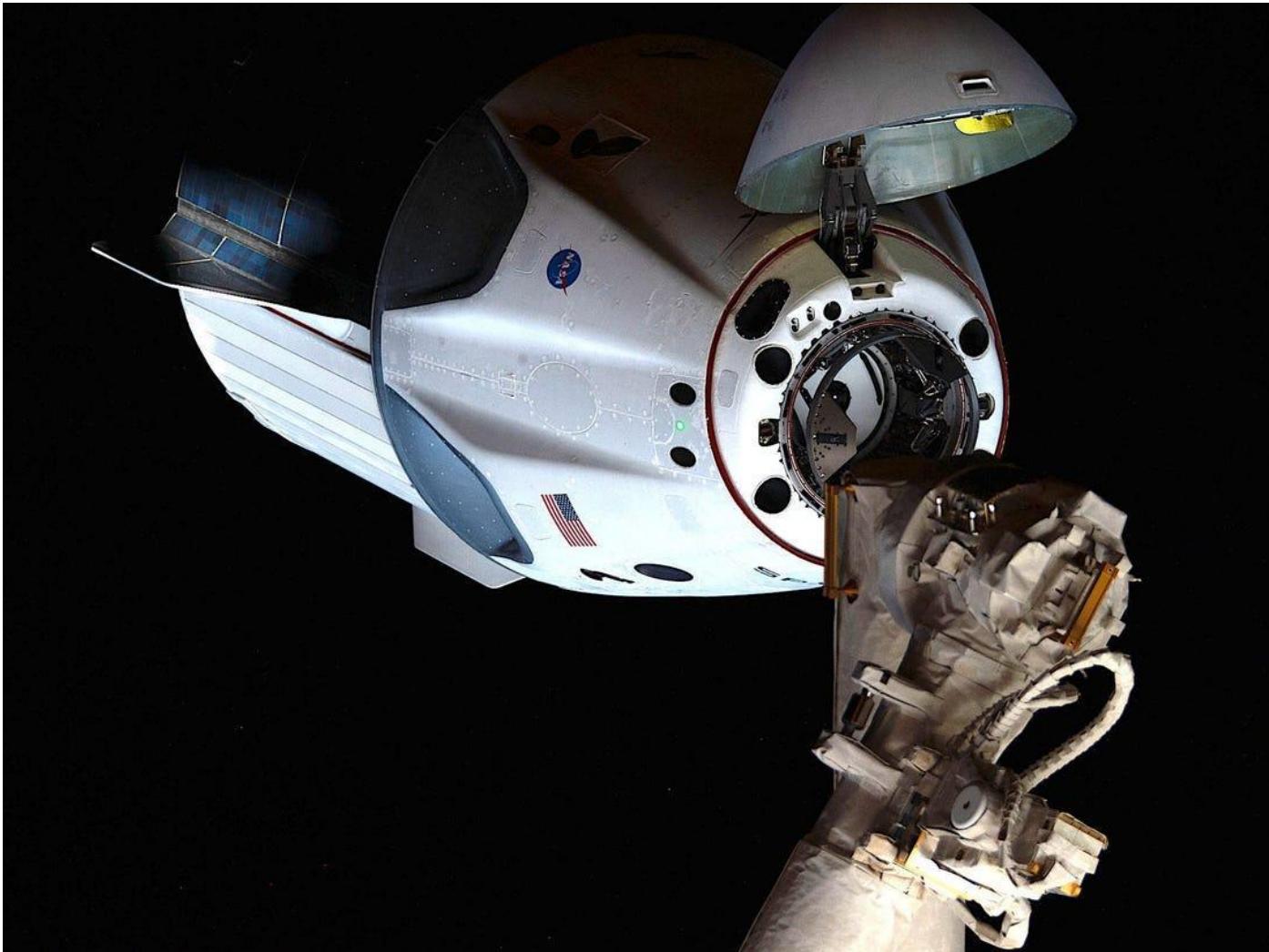
# Remotely operated underwater vehicle (ROUV)



# Autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV)

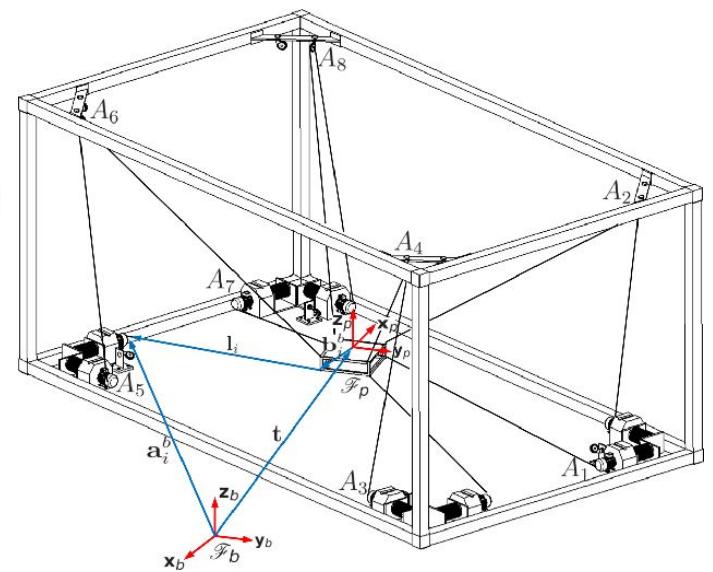
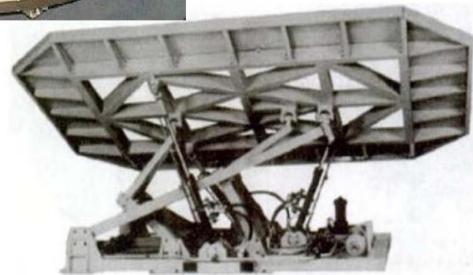
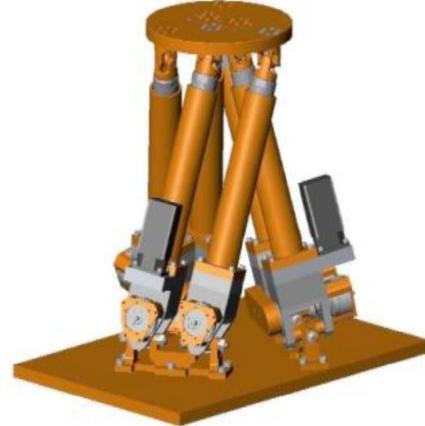


# Uncrewed spacecraft



# Parallel Robot

- Flight Simulator
- Milling Machine
- Cable Driven Parallel Robot



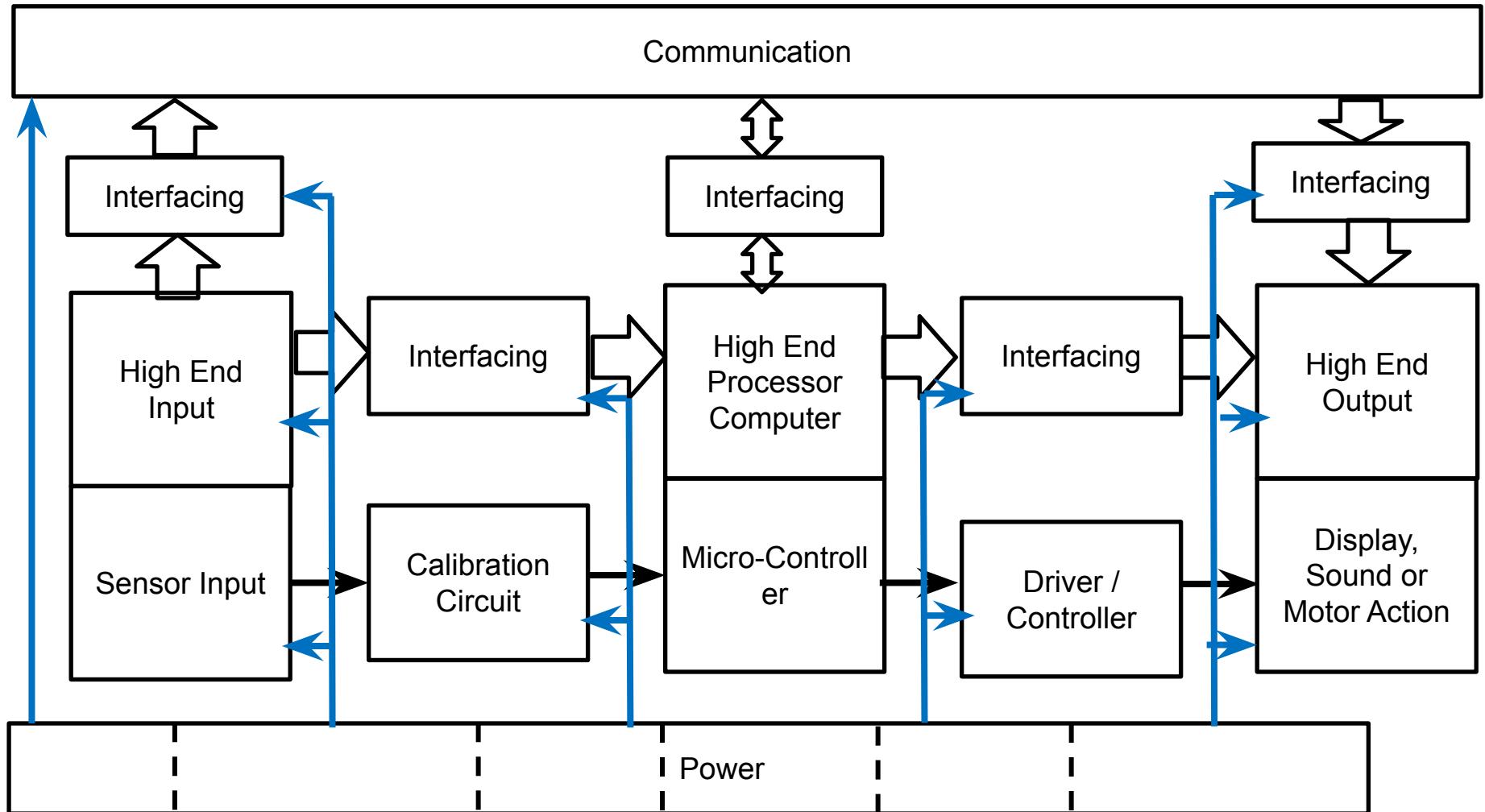
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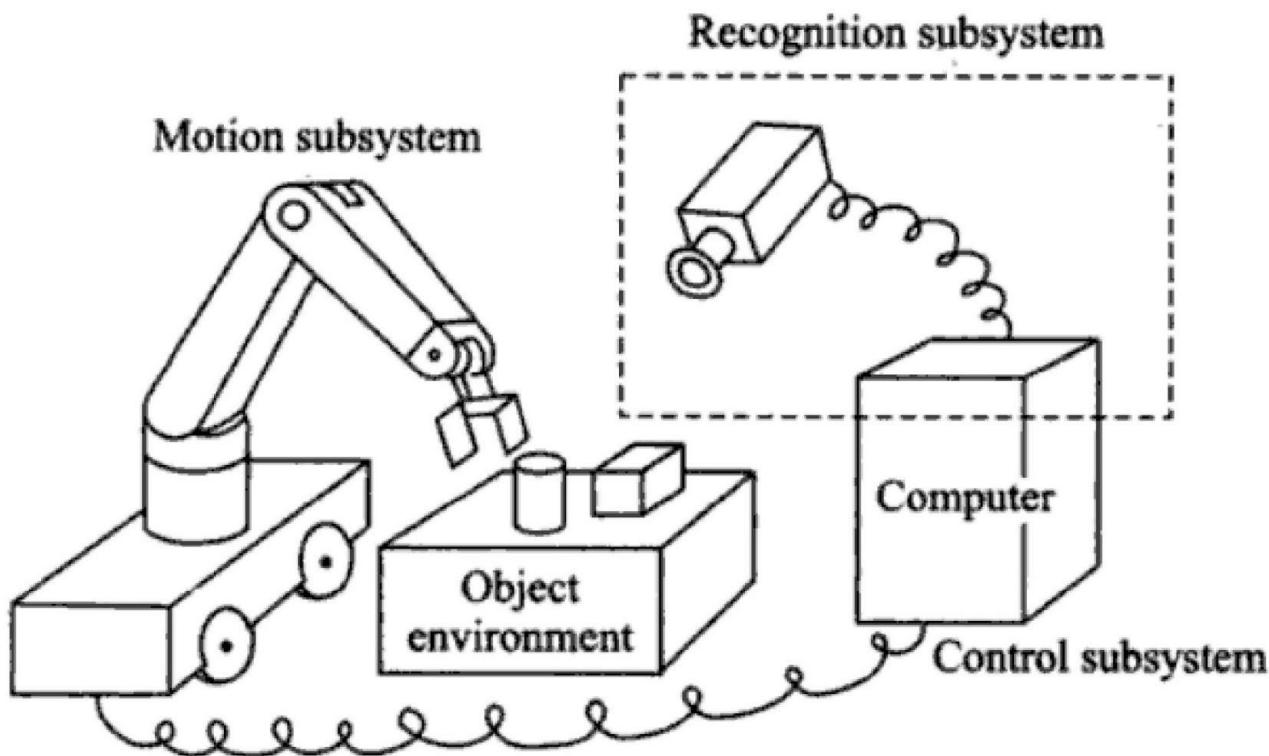
# Sub-Systems

- Sense/Perception
- Plan/Control
- Act/Motor Action
- Power
- Communication

# Hardware Architecture



# Three primitives of robotics



- Sense
- Plan
- Act

# AI Primitives within an Agent

SENSE

PLAN

ACT

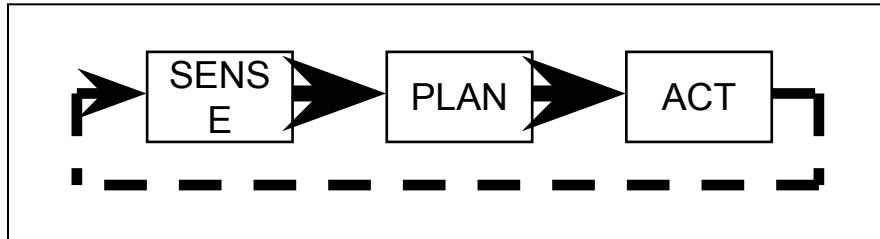
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# ROBOTIC PARADIGMS

- Hierarchical/deliberative paradigm
- The reactive paradigm
- Hybrid deliberate/reactive paradigm
- A fourth category, not always listed, is “Behavior-Based Control”

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# Hierarchical/deliberative paradigm

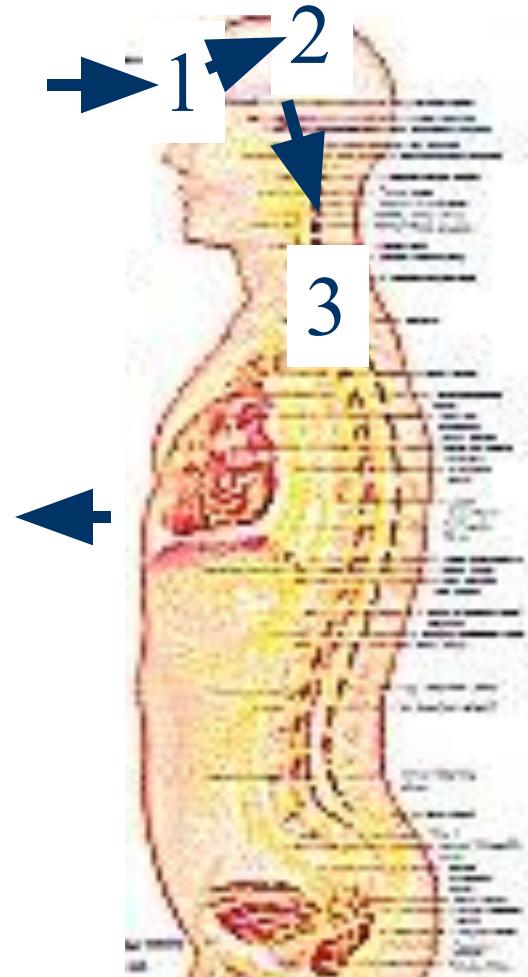


Hierarchical/deliberative paradigm

Control people hated because  
didn't “close the loop”

AI people hated because  
monolithic

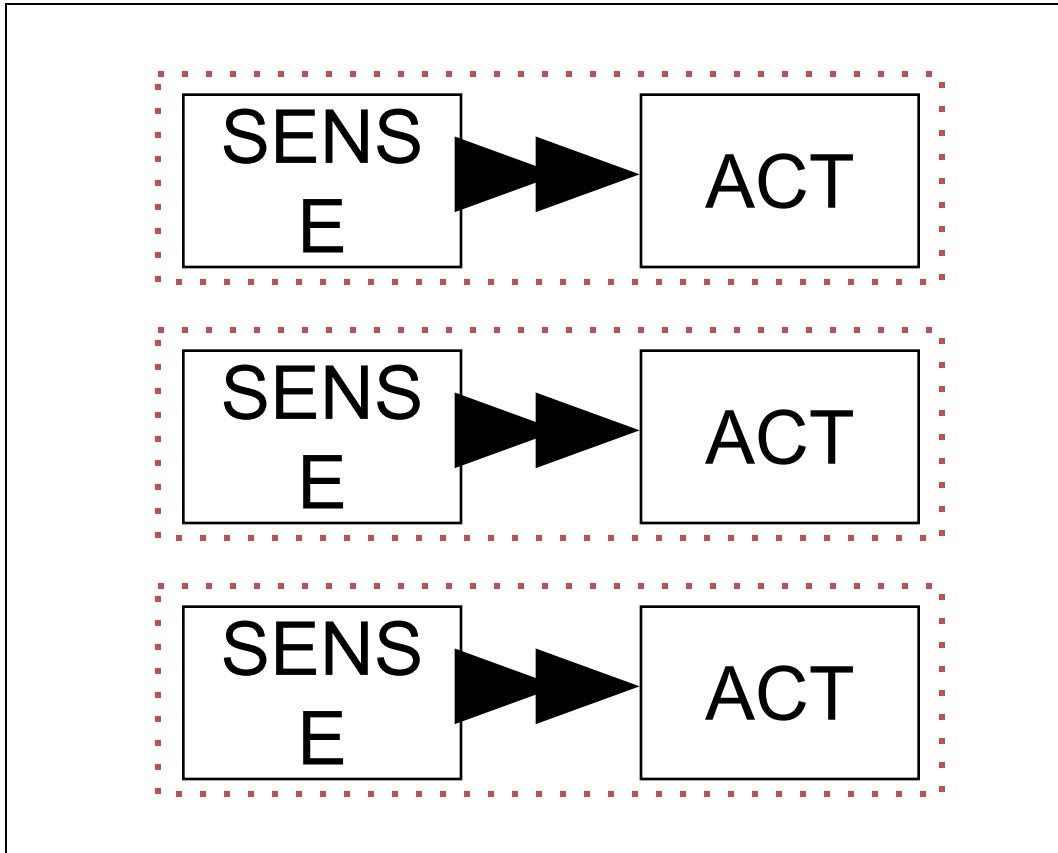
Users hated because very slow



# Hierarchical/deliberative paradigm

- The robot operates in a top-down fashion, heavy on planning.
- The robot senses the world, plans the next action, acts; at each step the robot explicitly plans the next move.
- All the sensing data tends to be gathered into one global world model.

# The reactive paradigm



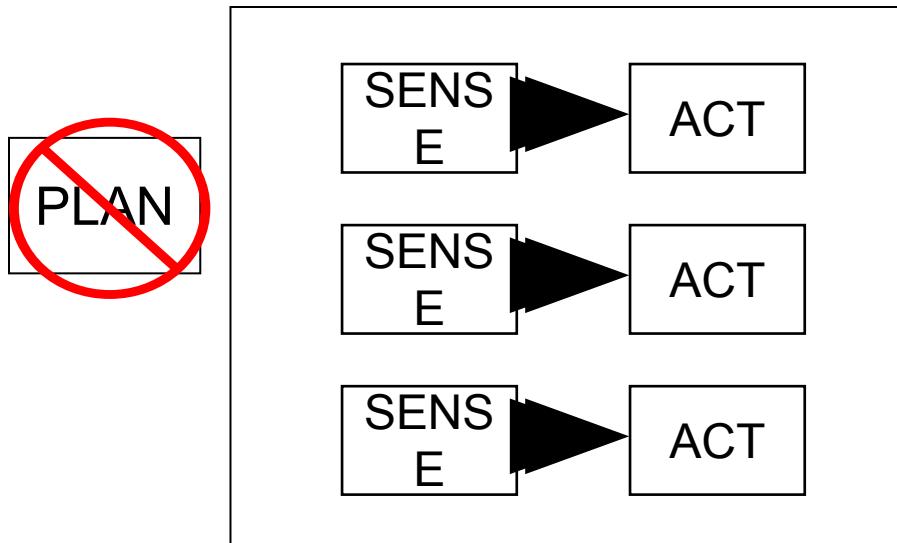
*SENSE-ACT  
couplings are  
“behaviors”*

*Behaviors are independent,  
run in parallel*

# The reactive paradigm

- Sense-act type of organization.
- The robot has multiple instances of Sense-Act couplings.
- Robot take the local sensing data and compute the best action to take independently of what the other processes are doing.
- The robot will do a combination of behaviours.

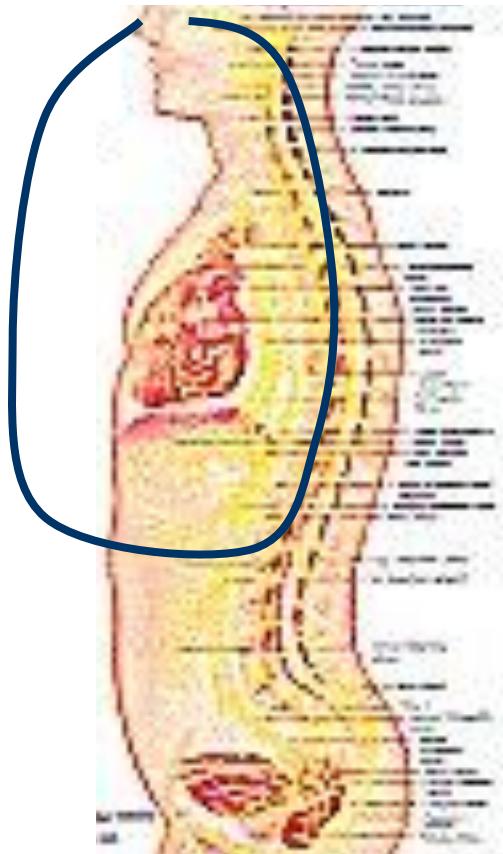
# Reactive



Users loved it because it worked

AI people loved it, but wanted to put PLAN back in

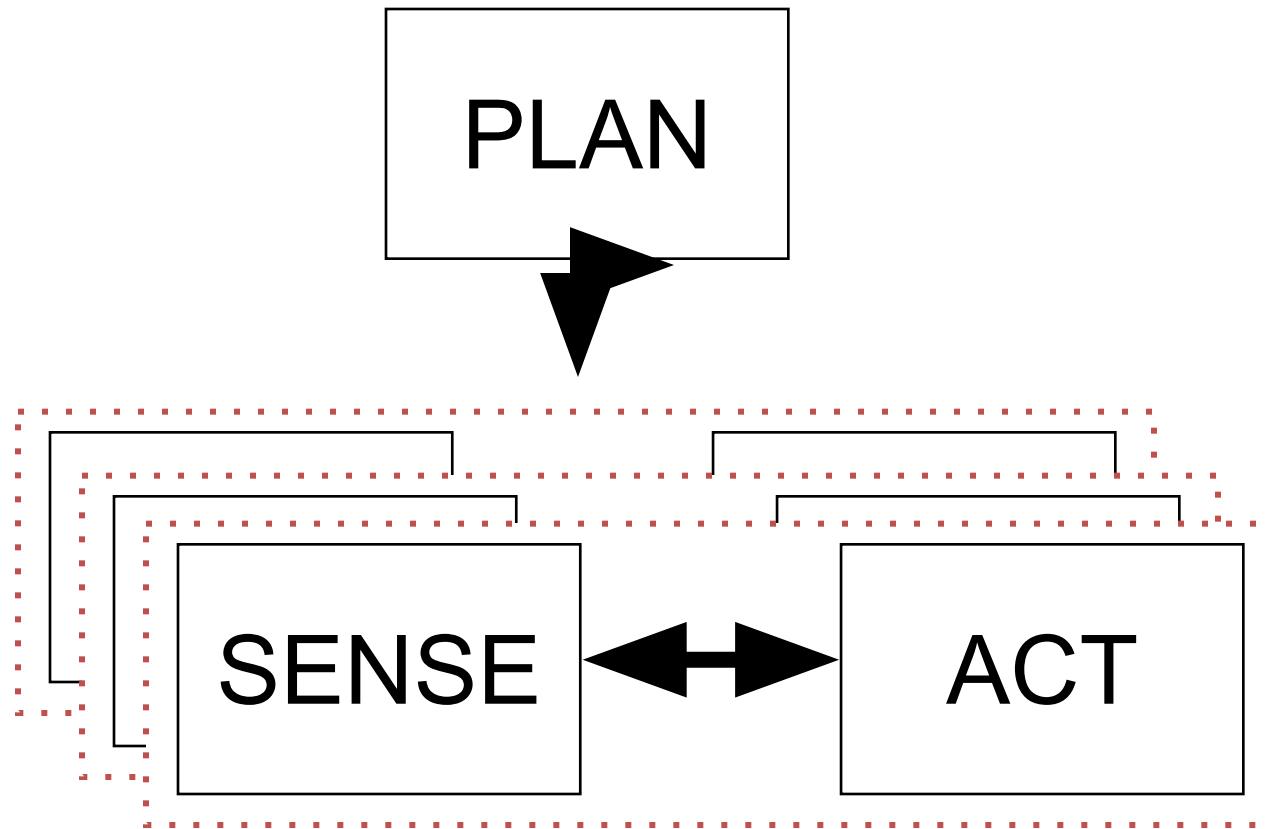
Control people hated it because couldn't rigorously prove it worked



# Hybrid deliberate/reactive paradigm

- The robot first plans (deliberates) how to best decompose a task into subtasks (also called “mission planning”) and then what are the suitable behaviours to accomplish each subtask.
- Then the behaviours starts executing as per the Reactive Paradigm.
- Sensing organization is also a mixture of Hierarchical and Reactive styles; sensor data gets routed to each behaviour that needs that sensor, but is also available to the planner for construction of a task-oriented global world model.

# Hybrid deliberate/reactive paradigm

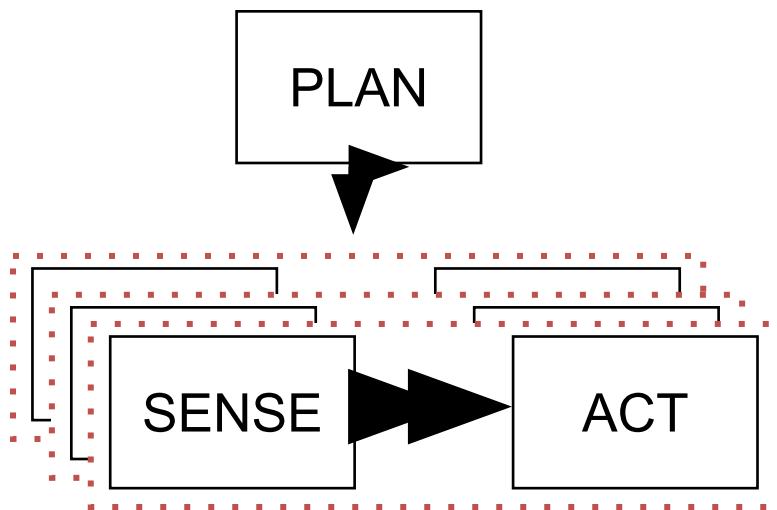


*Plan, then sense-act until task is complete or need to change;  
Note movement towards event-driven planning rather than continuous*

# Advantages

- Asynchronous processing technique allow to function Independently
- Planner can slowly computer next goal while robot can perform reactive task
- First reactive updates then global panner for planning
- Good software Modularity

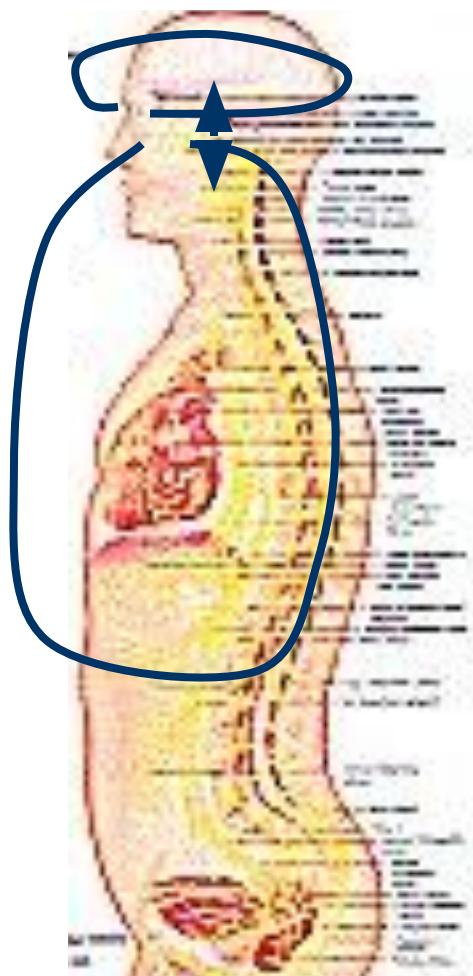
# Hybrid



Control people hated it because  
AI, but are getting over it

AI people loved it

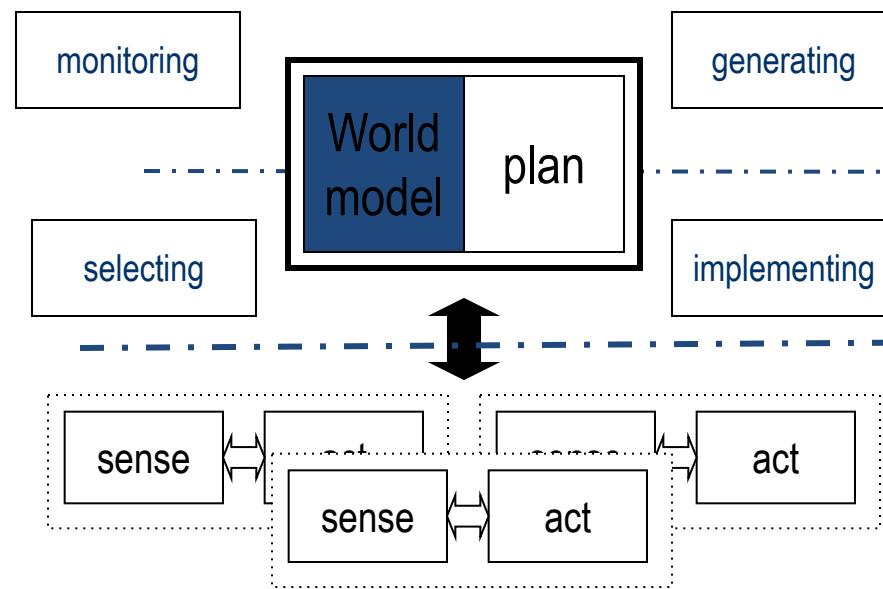
Users loved it



# Local and Global Model

- Reactive for Local control
- Deliberative for Global control
- However; Robot behavioral management requires to know its current mission, state and environment beside path-planning, map-making, monitoring etc. So, both local and global models are required to be considered for a robot performance.

# How AI Relates to Factory Automation



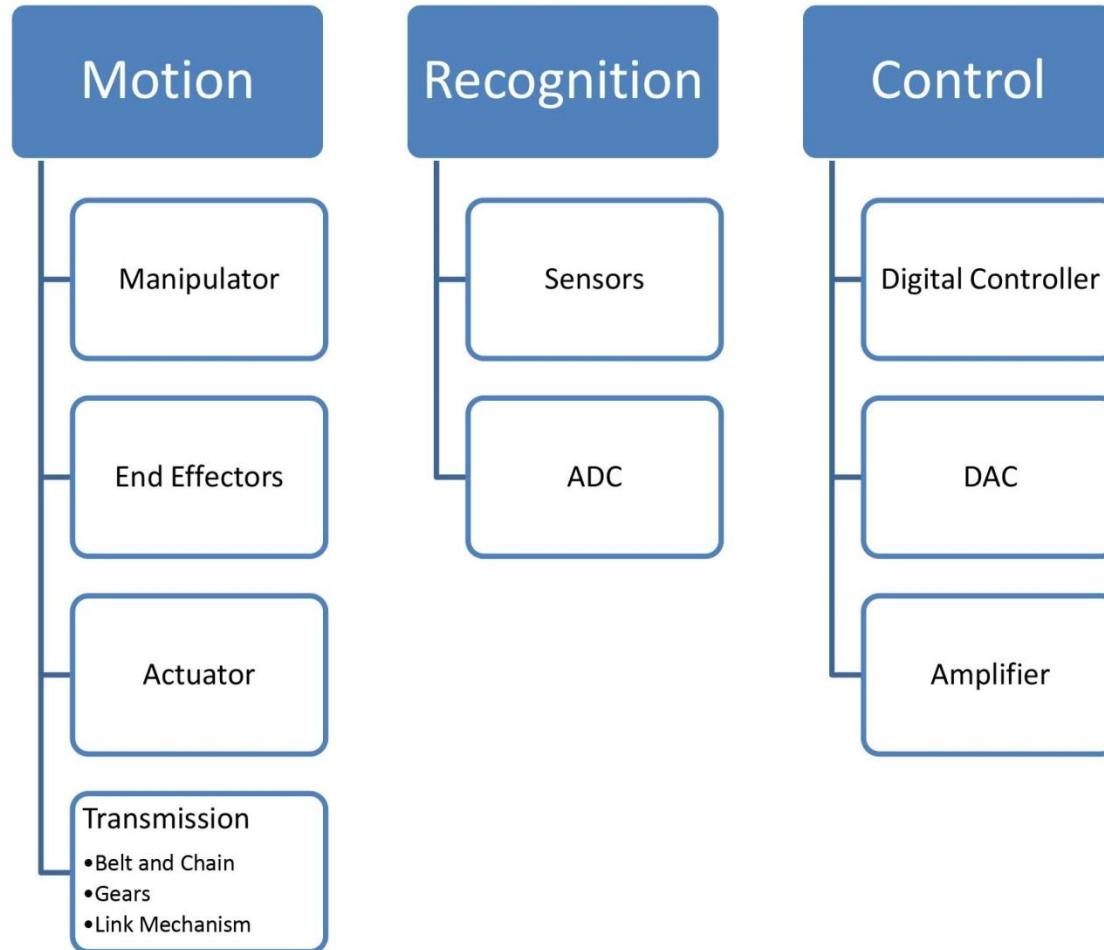
## *Deliberative:*

- Upper level is *mission generation & monitoring*
  - But World Modeling & Monitoring is hard (SA)
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- Lower level is *selection of behaviors to accomplish task (implementation) & local monitoring*

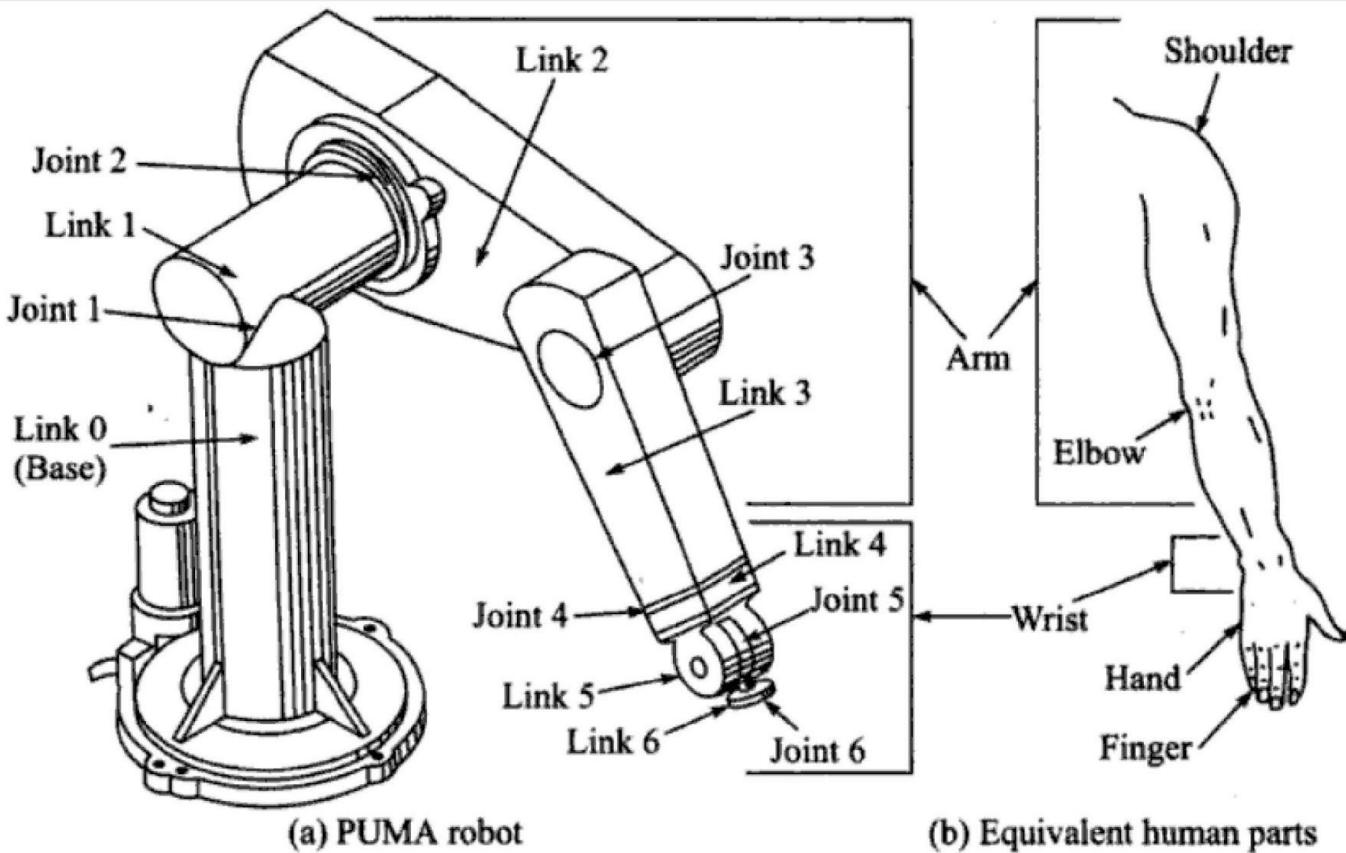
## *Reactive (fly by wire, inner loop control):*

- Many concurrent stimulus-response behaviors, strung together with simple scripting
- Action is generated by sensed or internal stimulus
- No awareness, no monitoring
- Models are of the vehicle, not the “larger” world

# Subsystems



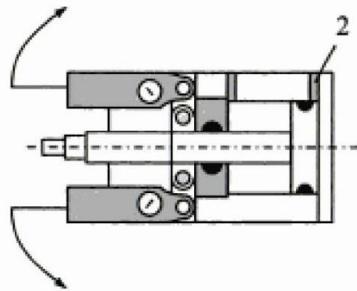
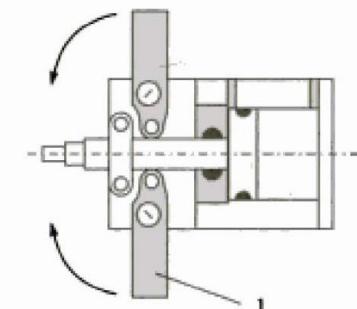
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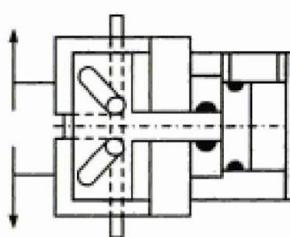
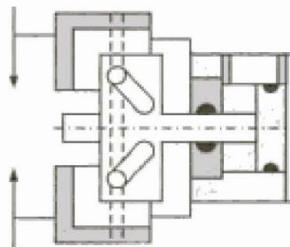
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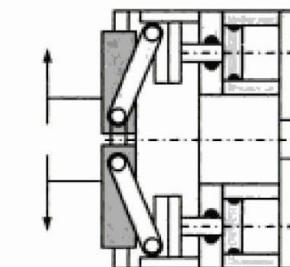
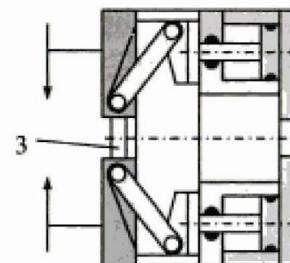
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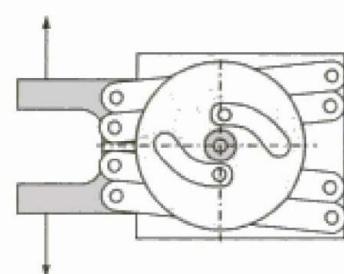
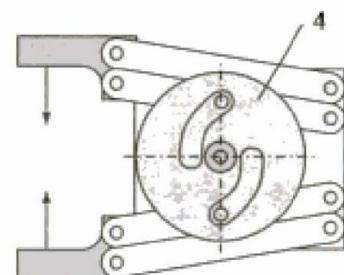
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(b)



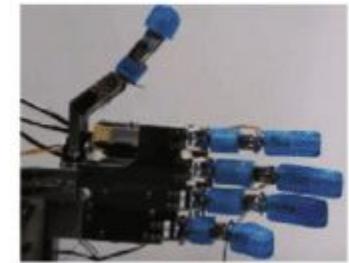
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(d)

1: Big jaw or finger; 2: Pneumatic cylinder; 3: Straight guideway; 4: Cam disk

# End Effector

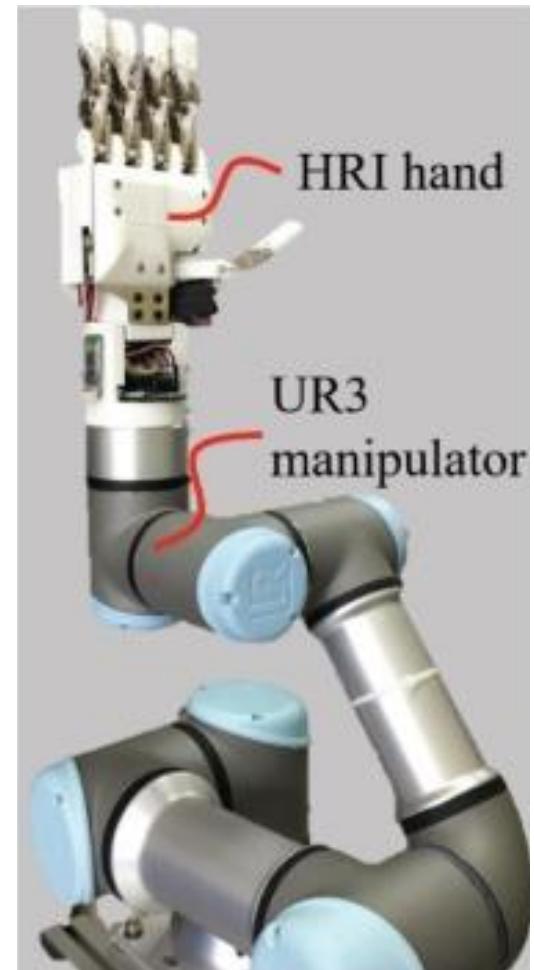
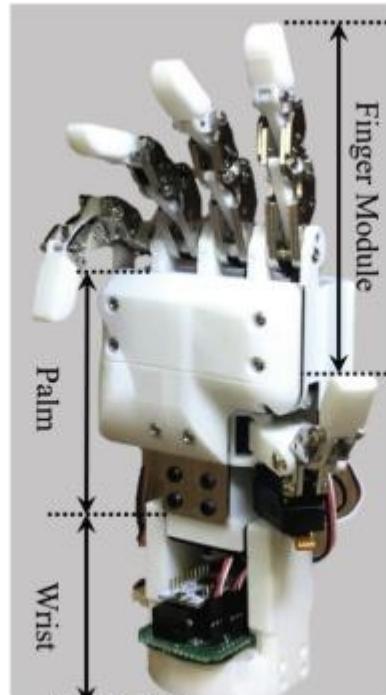
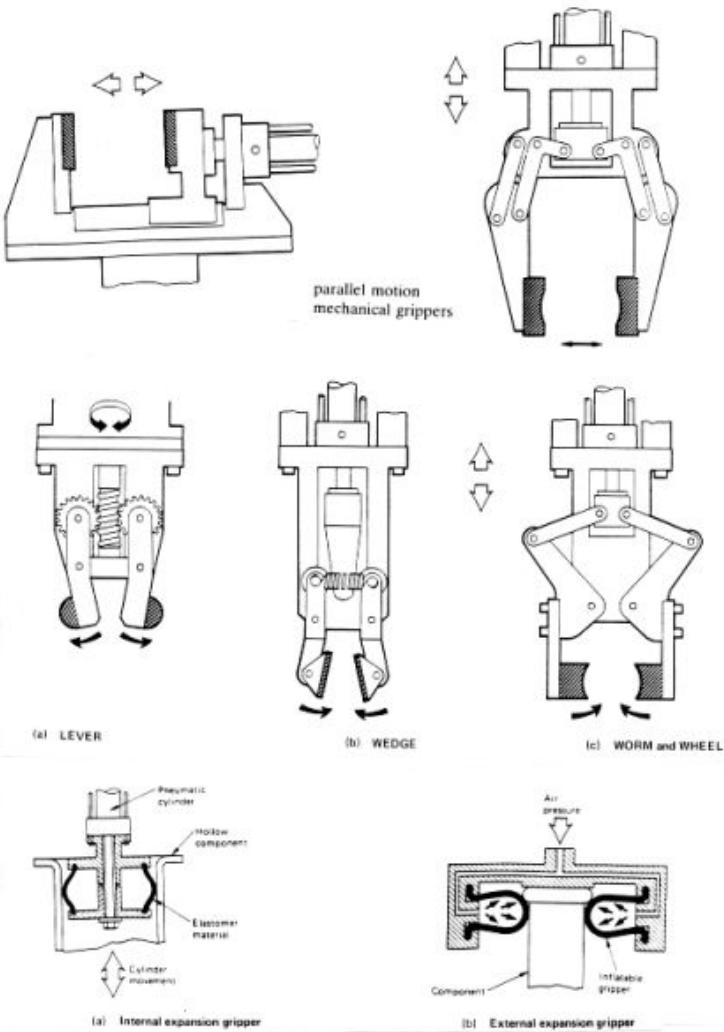


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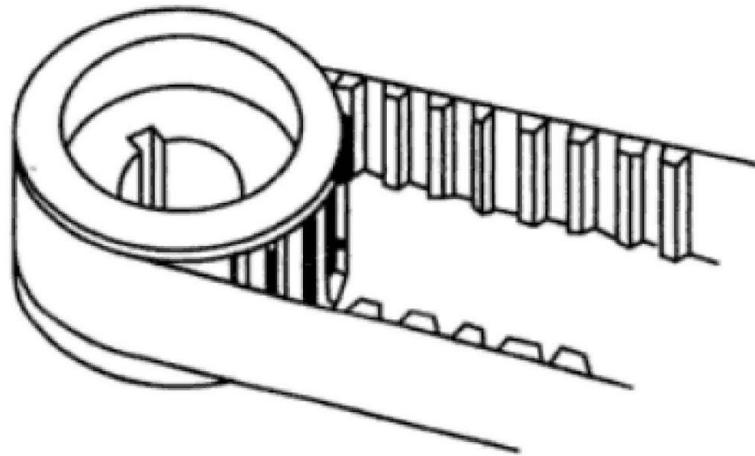
(b)

Two types of fingered end-effectors: (a) gripper type, (b) anthropomorphic type

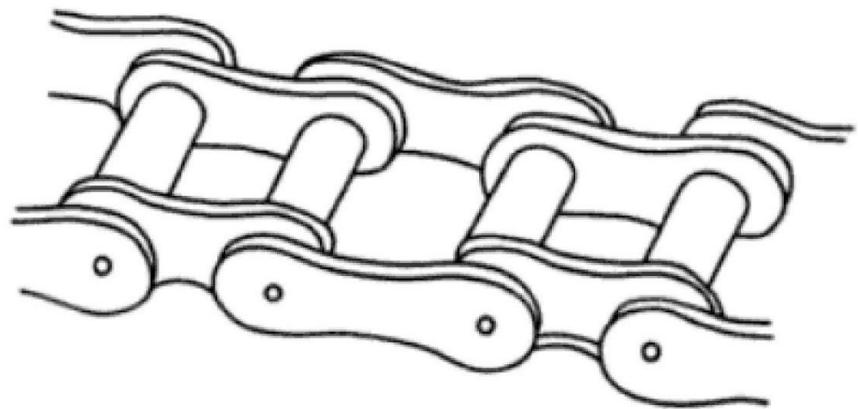
# End Effector



# Transmission (Belt and chain)

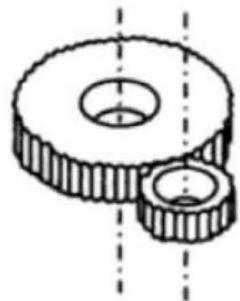


(a) Synchronous belt



(b) Roller chain

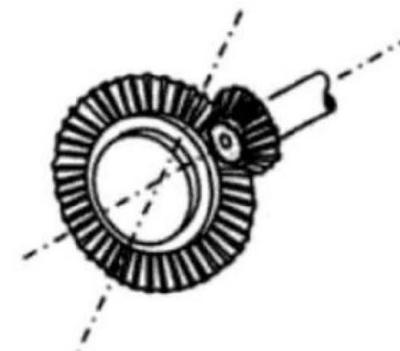
# Transmission (Gears)



Spur gears



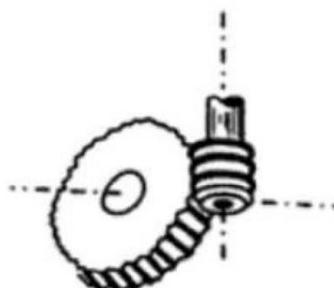
Helical gears



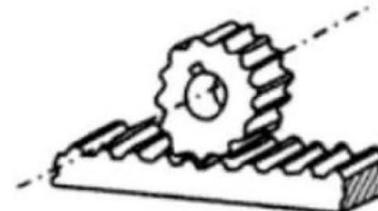
Straight bevel



Spiral bevel

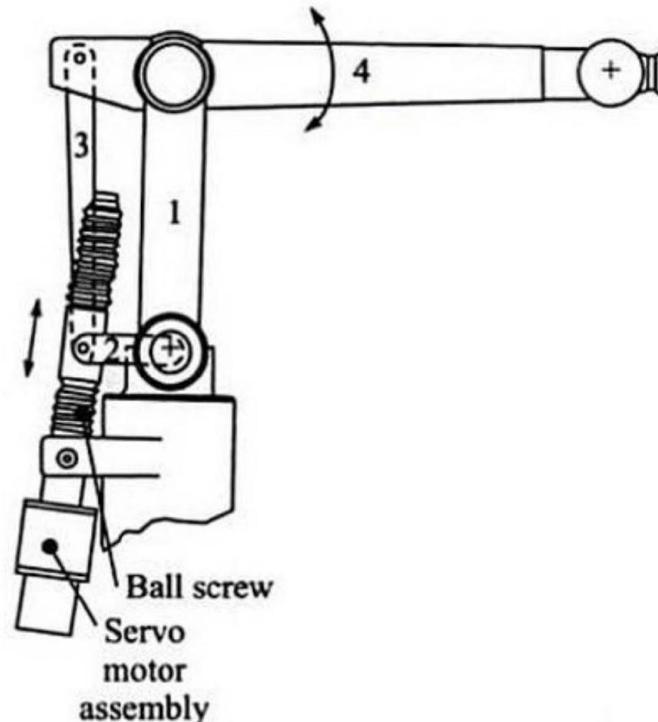
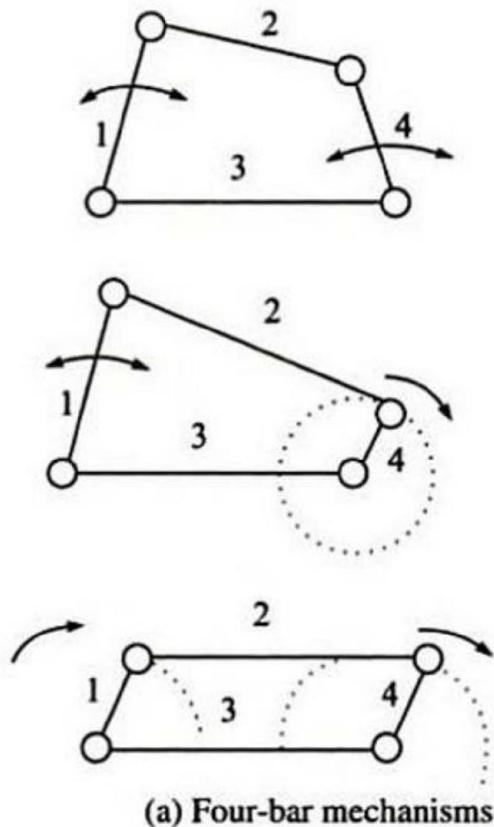


Worm



Rack and pinion

# Transmission (Link Mechanism)



(b) Use of mechanisms in robot manipulator

Fig. 2.7 Mechanisms and their use in robot manipulator

# DC, Stepper, Servo, Induction Motor

Motion

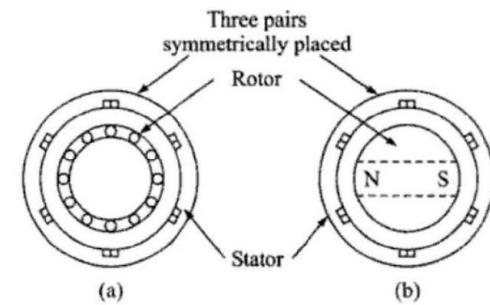
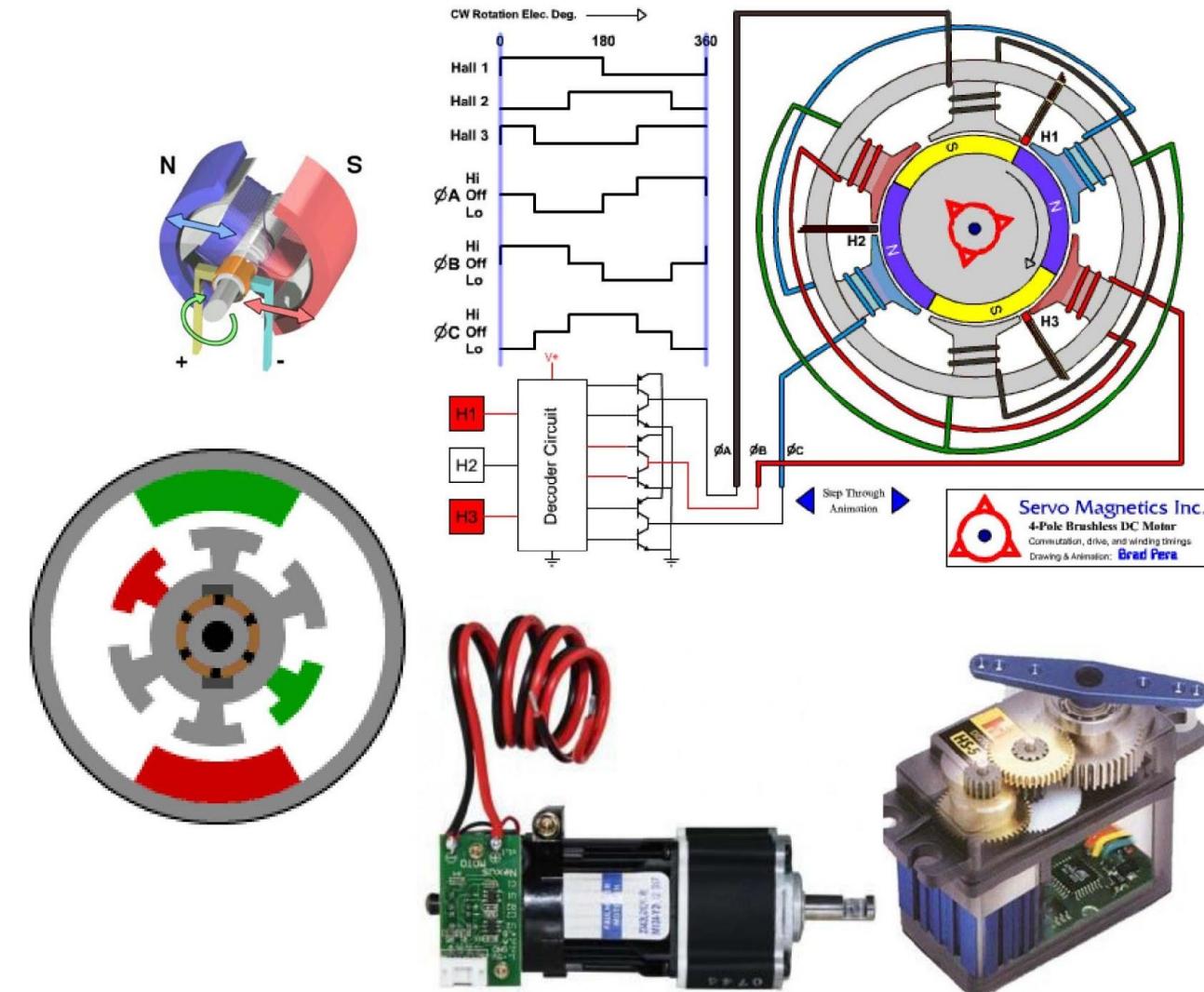


Fig. 3.13 AC three-phase motor

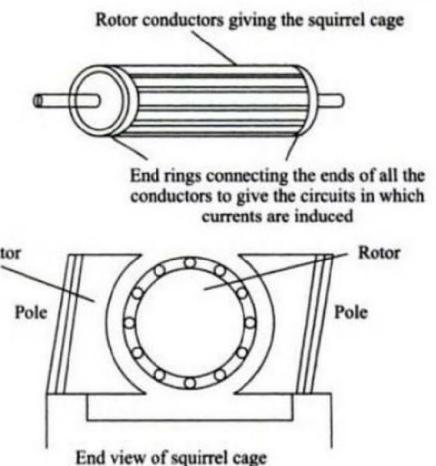


Fig. 3.12 Single-phase induction motor

# Actuators



Pneumatic Actuator

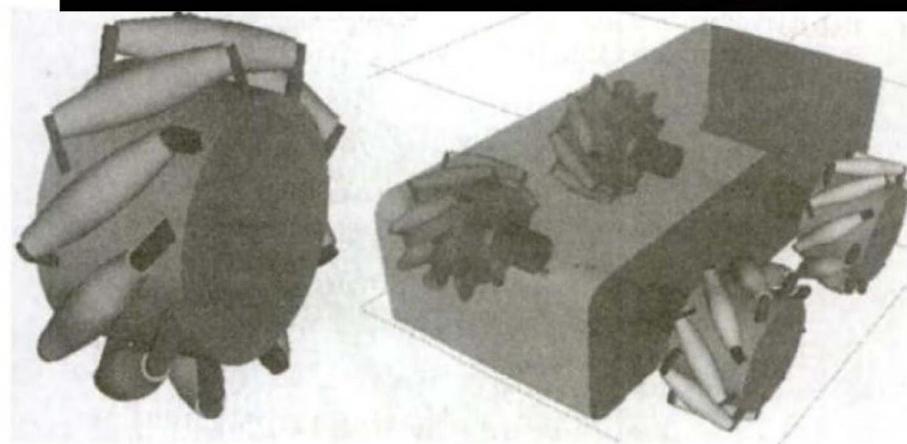


Hydraulic Actuator



Electric Actuator

# AGV with Multi Directional Wheel

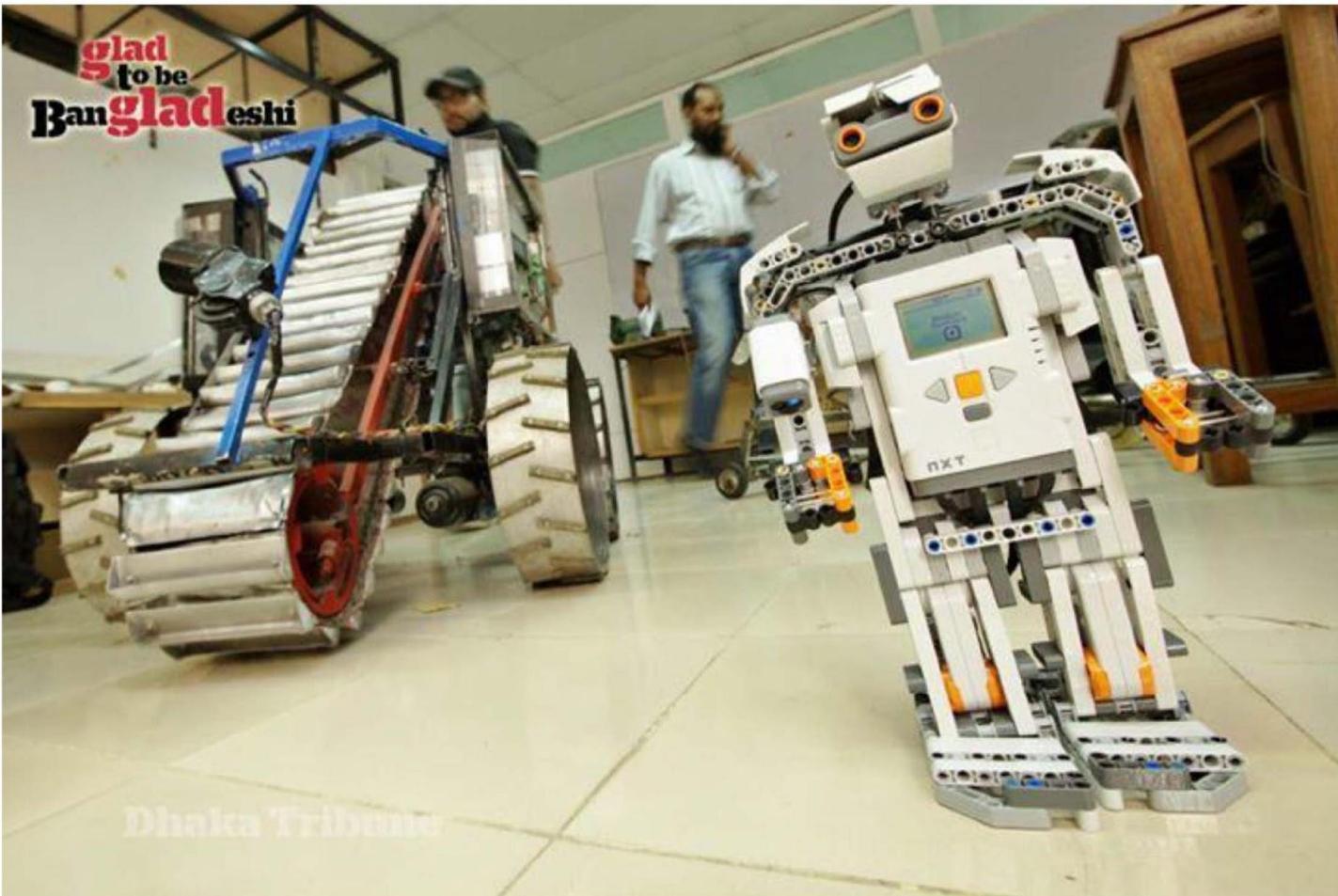


(a) A Mekanum wheel

(b) An AGV

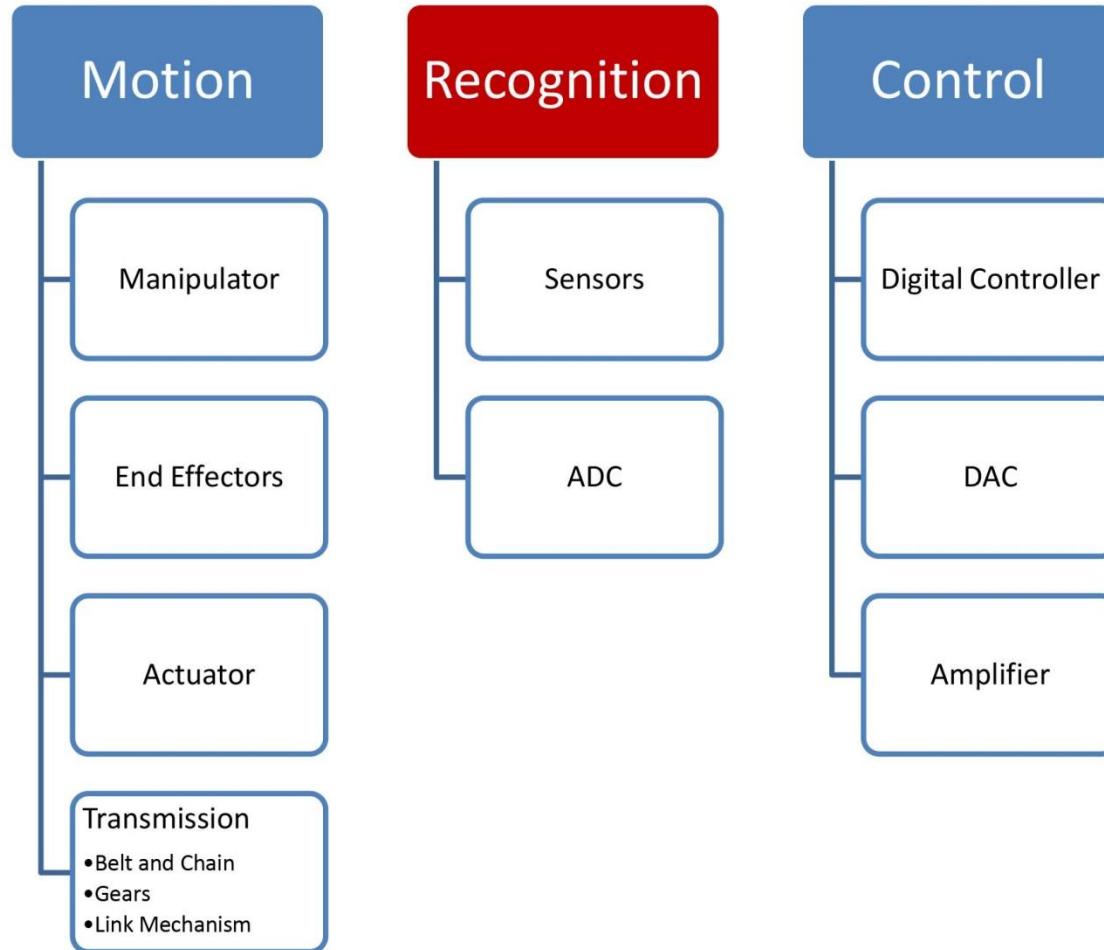
**Fig. 1.5** An Automatic Guided Vehicle (AGV) with Mekanum wheels  
[Courtesy: Angeles (2003)]

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# Subsystems



Recognition

# Sensors



# Sensor Examples

Recognition

## Physical Property

contact  
distance  
light level  
sound level  
rotation  
acceleration

## Sensor

switch  
ultrasound, radar, infrared  
photocells, cameras  
microphone  
encoders and potentiometers  
accelerometers gyroscopes

# More Sensor Examples

Recognition

## Physical Property

magnetism

smell

temperature

inclination

pressure

altitude

strain

## Sensor

compass

chemical

thermal, infra red

inclinometers, gyroscopes

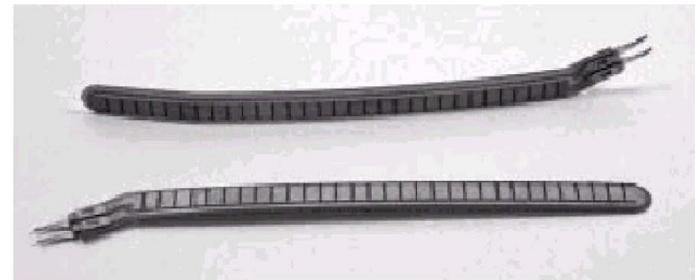
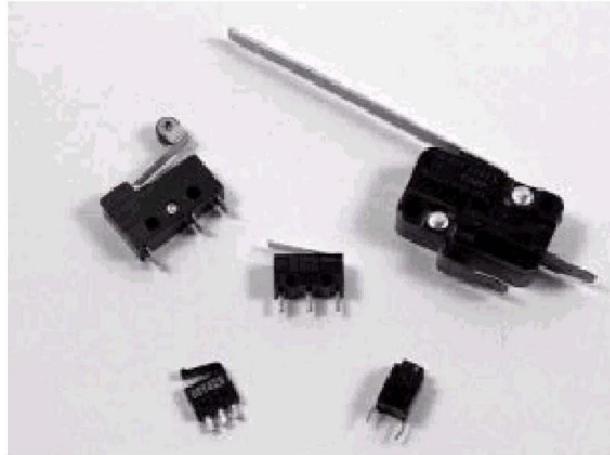
pressure gauges

altimeters

strain gauges

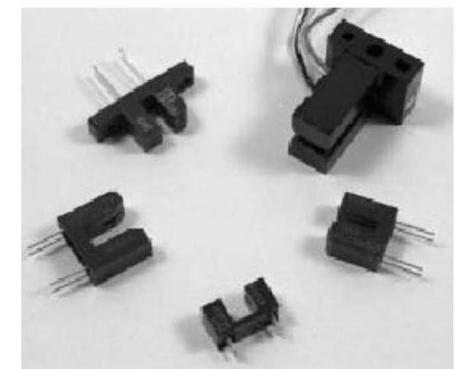
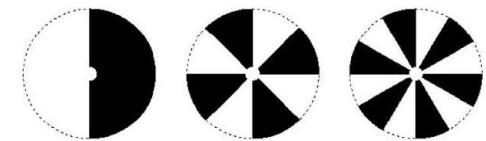
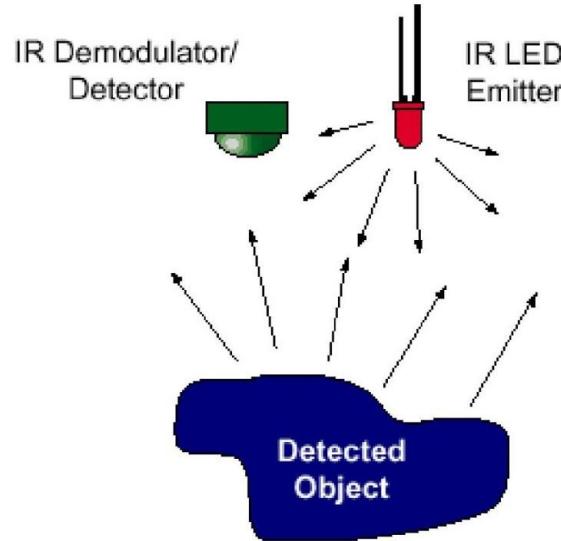
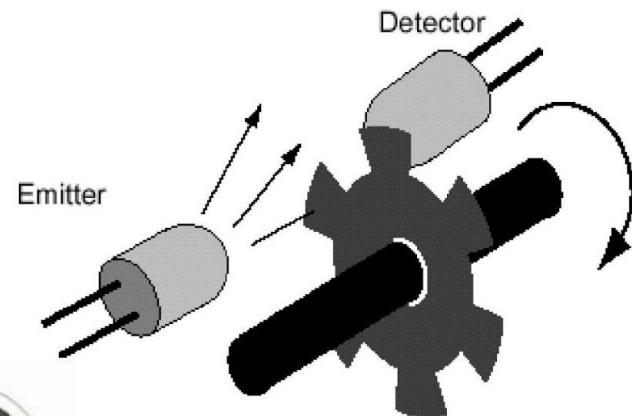
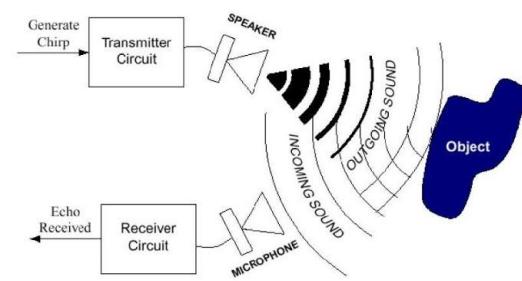
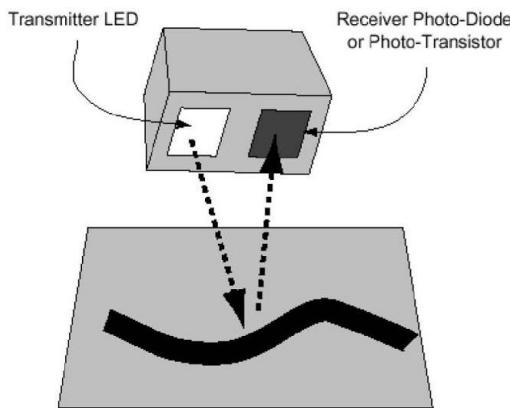
Recognition

# Passive Sensor

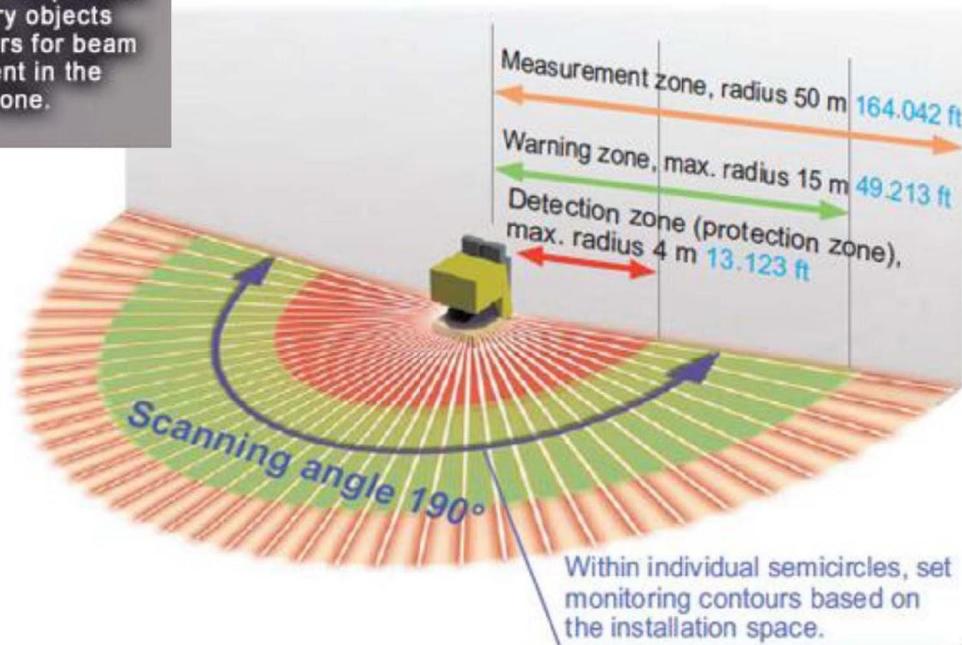


Recognition

# Active Sensors



# Laser Scanner

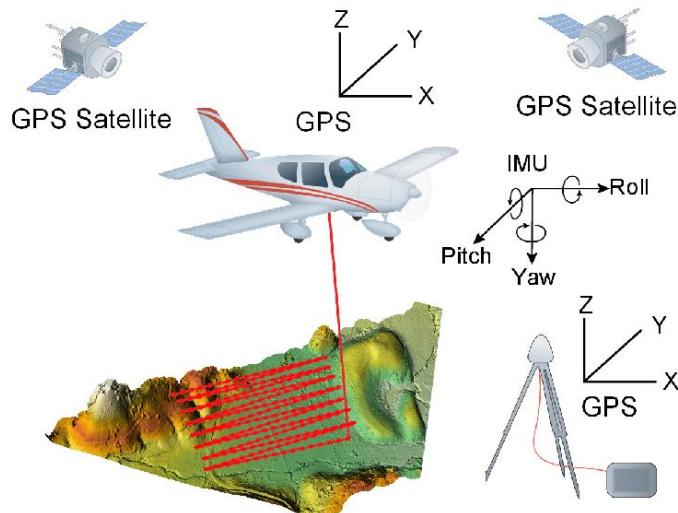


**Detection zone:** Instantly stops the machine upon intrusion (control output)

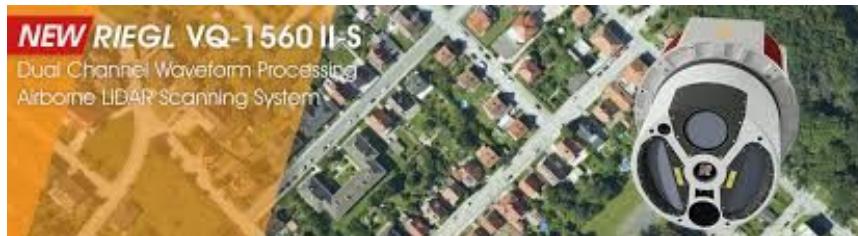
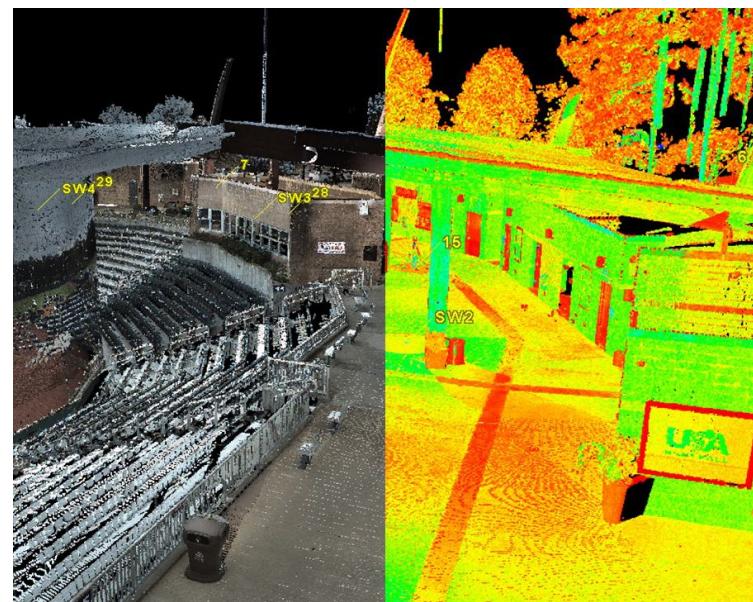
**Warning zone:** Releases warning upon intrusion (warning output)

# LIDAR

## Airborne LiDAR



## Terrestrial LiDAR



# Emotiv Electroencephalography (EEG) Headset

**emotiv**  
you think, therefore, you can



# LEAP Motion Sensor

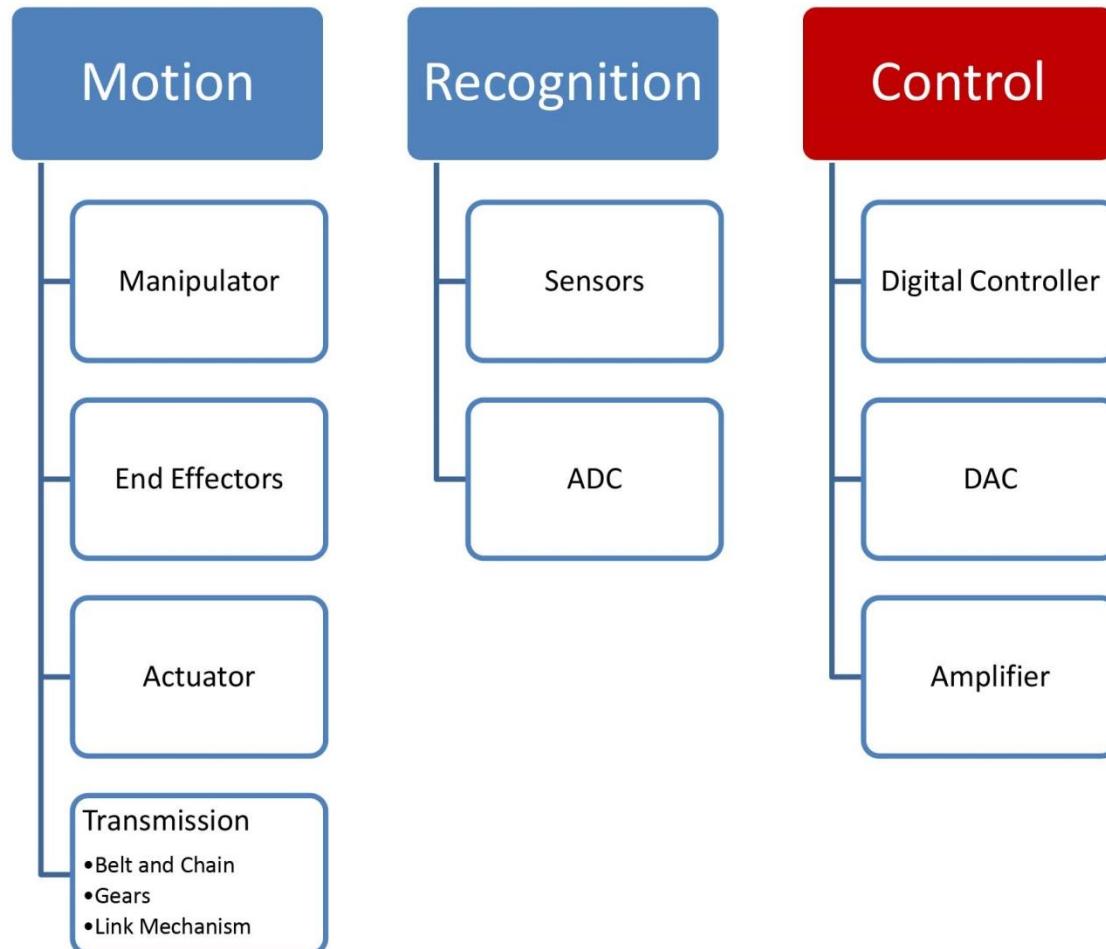


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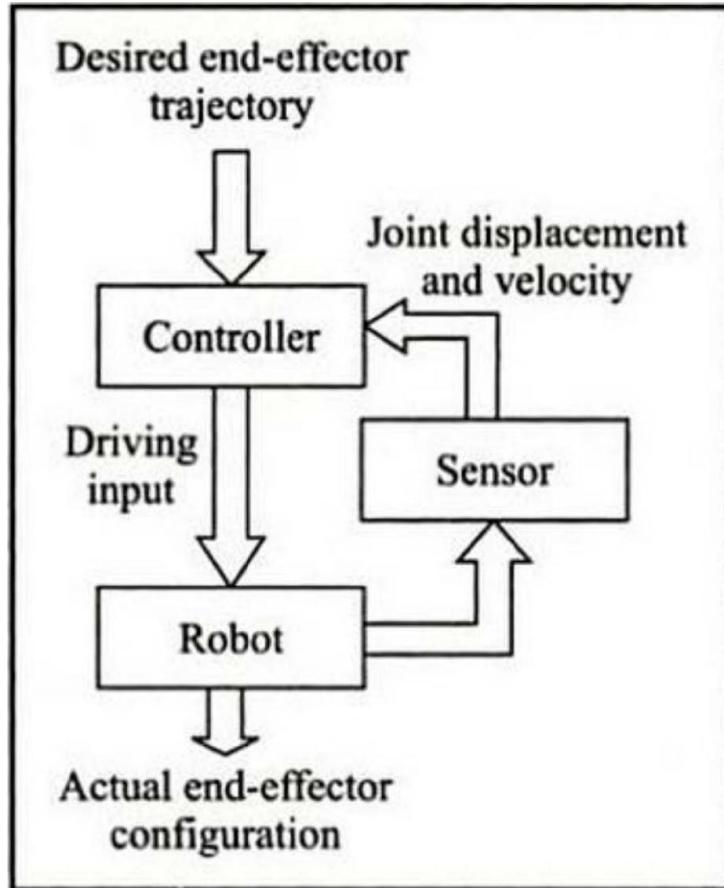


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# Subsystems



# Control Software



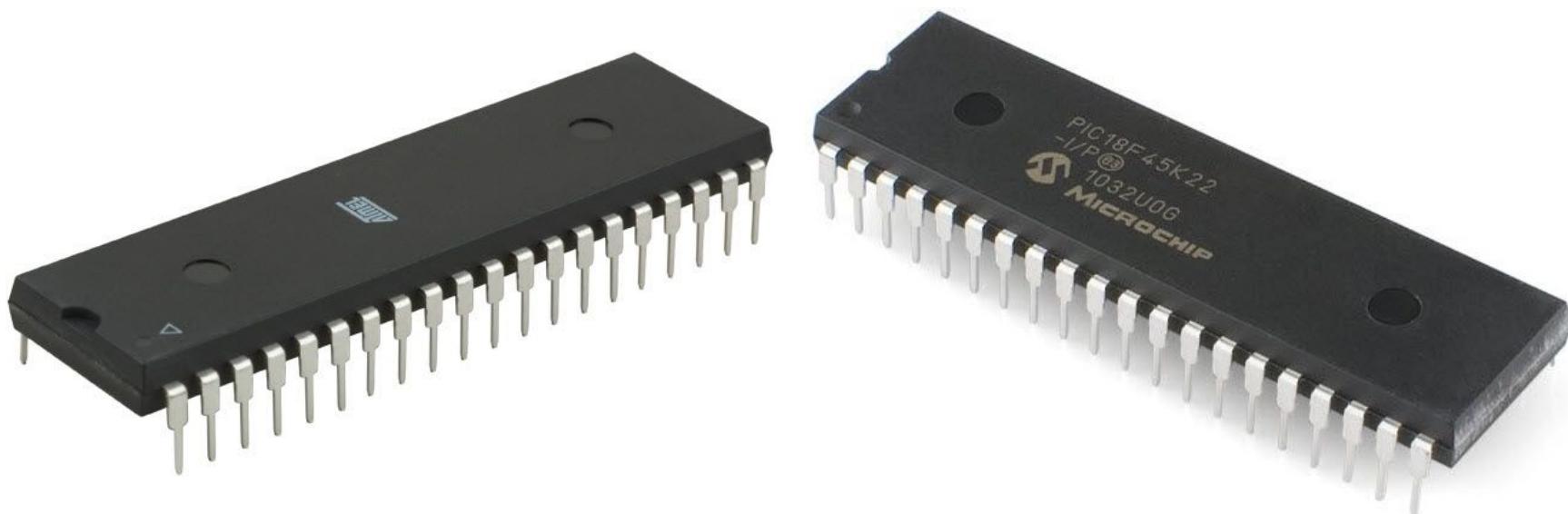
(a) Control scheme of a robot

- Robot Vision
- PID control
- Trajectory/Motion Planning
- Localization
- Manipulator Control
- UAV Navigation
- Sensors calibration and sensor fusion
- Kinematics and dynamics
- Interfacing
- Communication

# Control Hardware

- Microcontrollers
- Arduino
- PLC
- FPGA
- Single Board Computer
- Portable PCs
- Cloud Computing System

# Microcontrollers



# Arduino



# Arduino



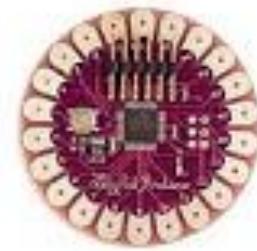
Arduino Uno



Arduino Leonardo



Arduino Mega 2560



Arduino LilyPad



Arduino Mega ADK



Arduino Fio



Arduino Ethernet



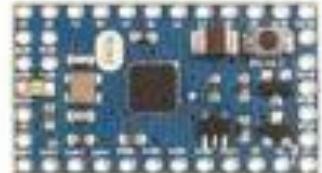
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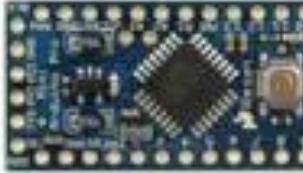
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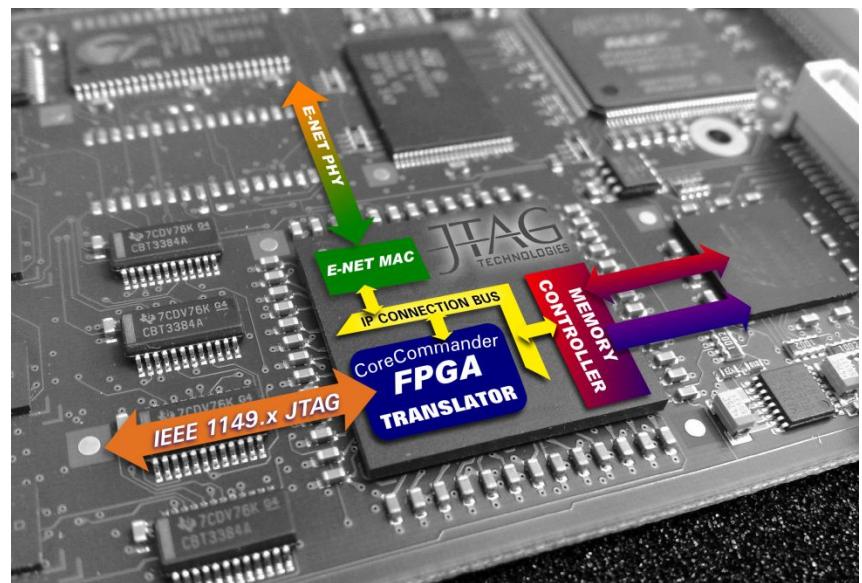


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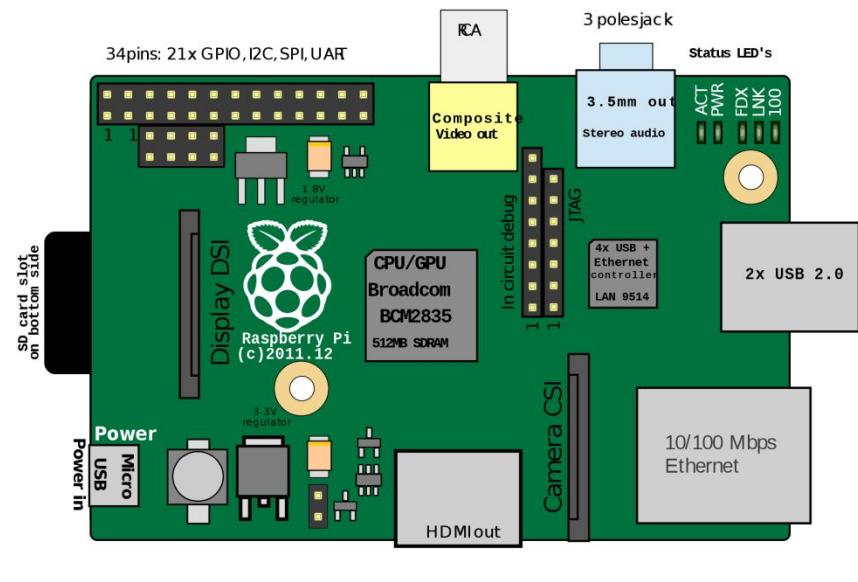
# Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)



# Field-Programmable Gate Array (FPGA)



# Single board Computer



# Raspberry PI 4, Tinkerboard



# Little Panda and Jetson nano



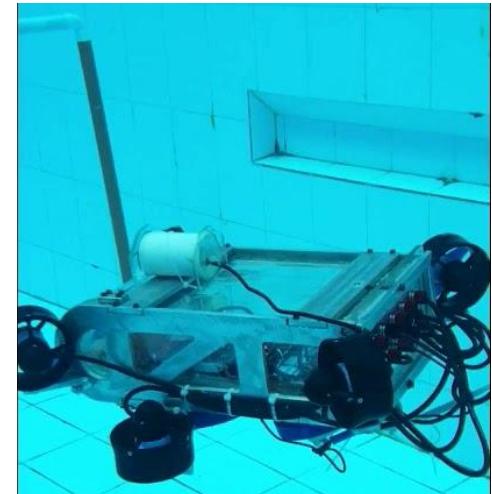
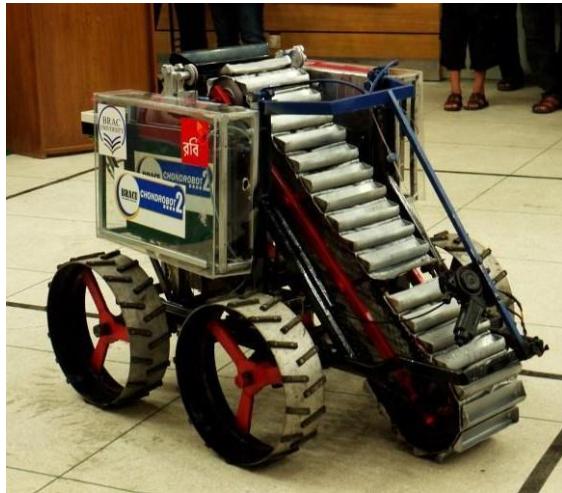
# Intel Nuc and BRIX



# Cloud Computing Infrastructure



# Projects we can proud of



# BRAC ONNESHA



# Self-Driving Car

Top mounted LiDAR beams 1.4 million laser points per second to create a 3D map of the car's surroundings.

A colored camera puts LiDAR map into color so the car can see traffic light changes.

There are 20 cameras looking for braking vehicles, pedestrians, and other obstacles.

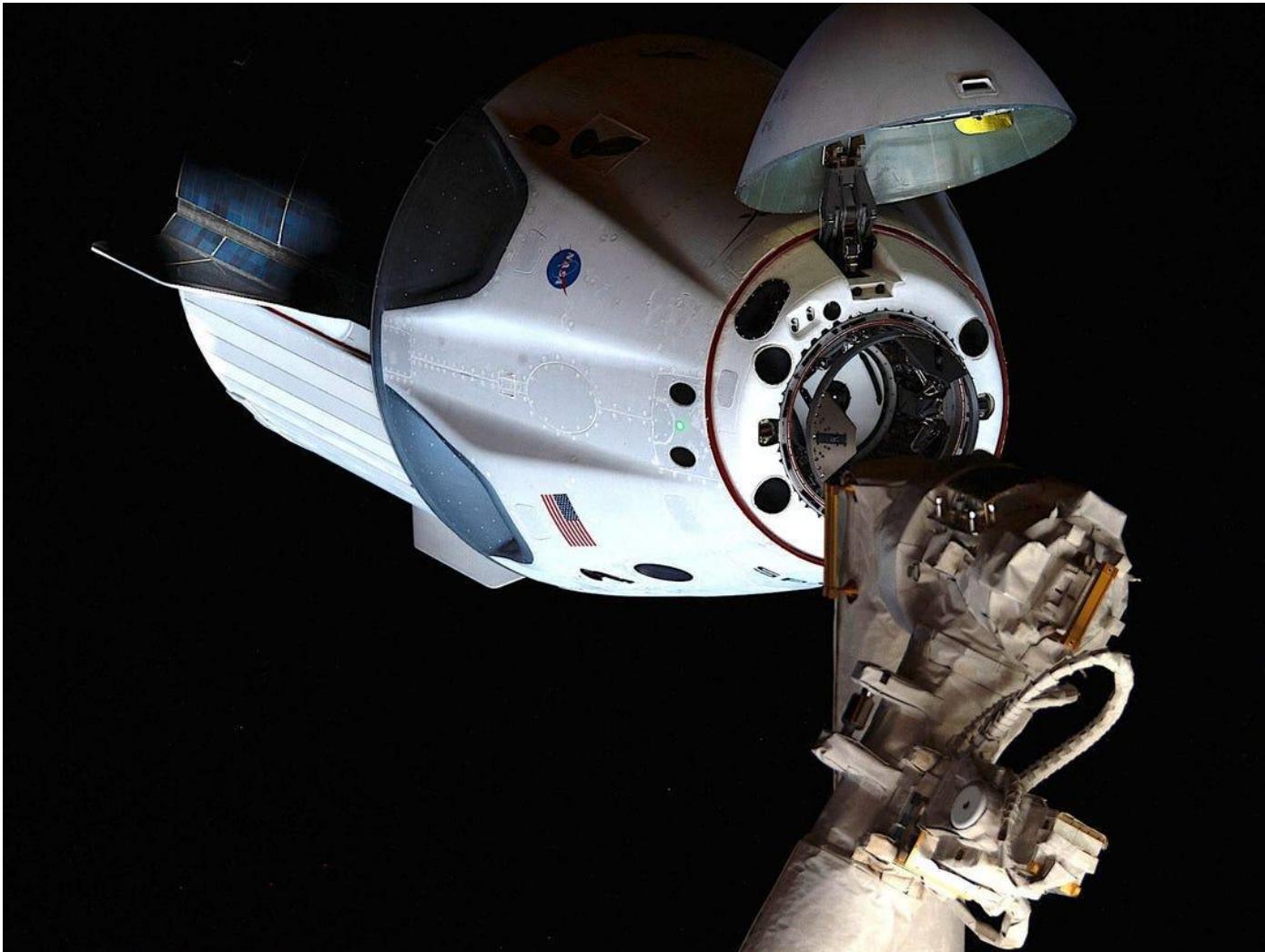
Antennae on the roof rack let the car position itself via GPS.

LiDAR modules on the front, rear, and sides help detect obstacles in blind spots.

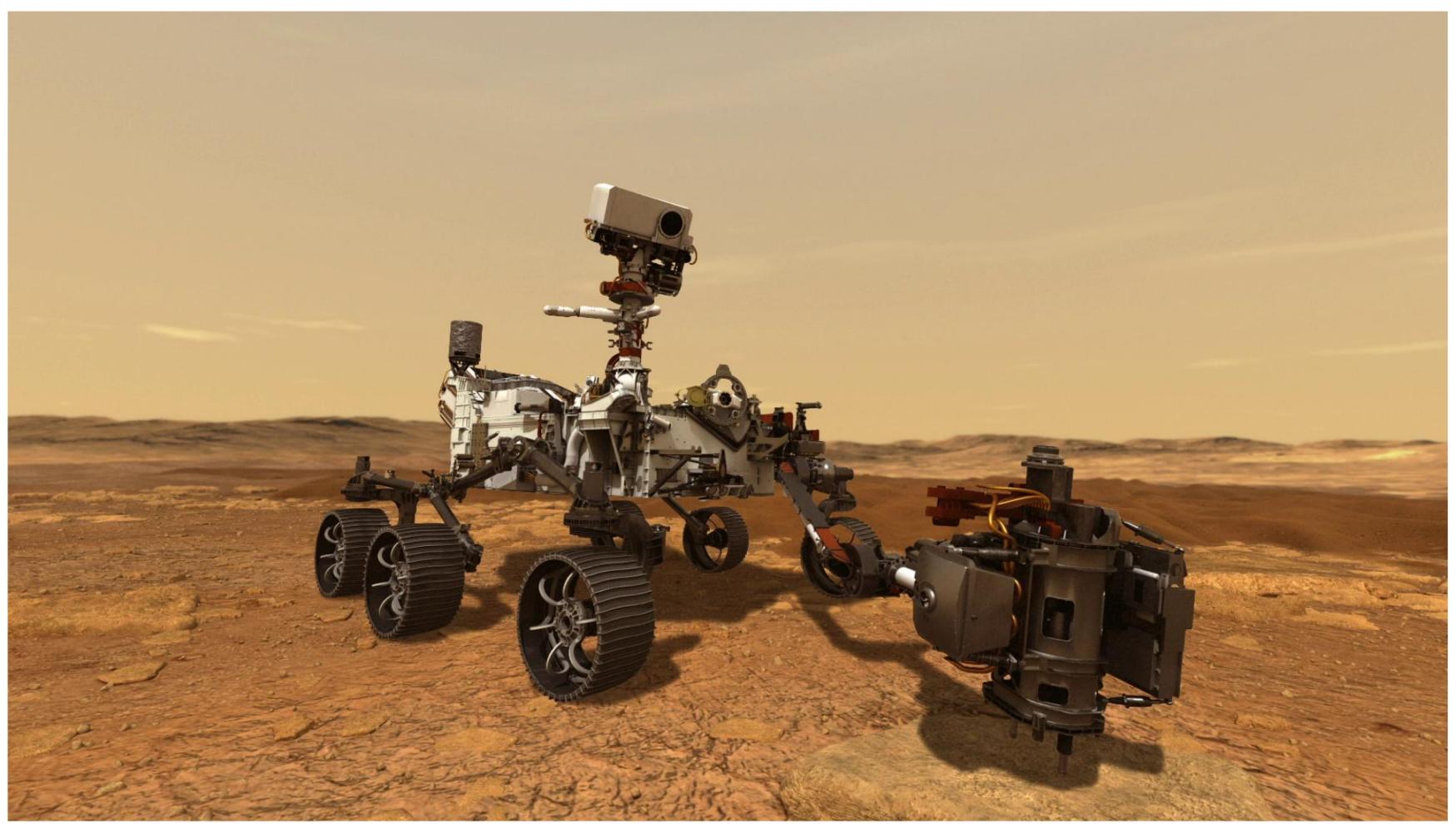
A cooling system in the car makes sure everything runs without overheating.



# Autonomous Docking



# Perseverance Mars Rover



# Roomba



# Boston Dynamics

## *Platforms*

BostonDynamics



*SpotMini*



*Spot*



*Atlas*



*Handle*

# The da Vinci Robotic Surgical System

