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Definition:

- Robot + ics
- A robot is a machine capable of carrying out a complex series of actions automatically.
- It may be controlled by a computer or follow pre-programmed instructions.
- Robots can <u>sense</u>, <u>decide</u> and <u>act</u>.

HISTORY QUICK RECAP

- Ancient myths and automata (Greek and Chinese)
- Muslim inventor Al-Jazari's machine
- Industrial revolution => Mechanical Automation
- 20th Century => Industrial robots
- Nowadays => Al-powered robots

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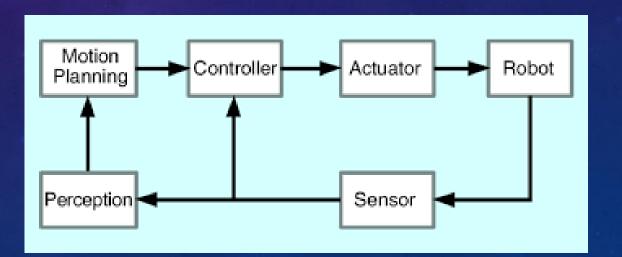






ROBOT AS A SYSTEM

- A robot is a system made up of multiple subsystems.
 - Input (Sensors)
 - Processing (Microcontroller)
 - Output (Actuators)



WHY ROBOTS?

- Perform dangerous tasks
- Work in harsh or toxic environments
- Operates 7/24 without getting tired
- Deliver consistent precision and speed
- Reduce human errors
- Save cost in the long term
- Automate boring or repetitive jobs



WHAT IS A SENSOR

- Definition:
 - Sensors collect data from the environment. They are robot's eyes, ears and skin!
- Examples:
 - Vision: IR sensor, Camera, Light sensor, Ultrasonic sensor, LIDAR, ...
 - Hearing: Microphone
 - Smell: Gas sensors
 - Taste: PH sensor
 - Touch: Touch sensor, Pressure, Temperature and Humidity ...

WHAT IS A SENSOR

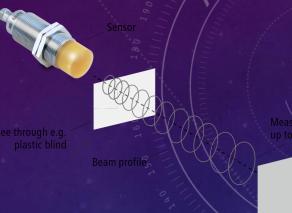




















WHAT IS AN ACTUATOR

- Definition:
 - Actuators allow the robot to move or interact with the world, like muscles.
- Examples:
 - Motors: DC, BLDC, Servo, Stepper, AC, ...
 - Magnetic: Relays, Solenoids, ...
 - ...

WHAT IS AN ACTUATOR

MICROCONTROLLER AS ROBOT BRAIN

- Control:
 - Control + er
- Microcontroller:
 - A compact computer!

MICROCONTROLLERS

- AVR:
 - Arduino
- ARM:
 - STM32
- FPGA:
 - Xilinx
- SoC:
 - ESP32, Raspberry Pi, ... ASIC

ELECTRONICS

- Resistor
- Capacitor
- Inductor
- Semiconductors, Diodes, Transistors
- Integrated Circuits, ...



1. Research about "Boston Dynamics"