

Journal Report 3

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Daily Log

Monday September 16

Continued debugging on the Hough Transform, attempted to change the function that converts HSV masked image to a rgb pixel image.

Tuesday September 17

Early into the period, we talked and decided it would be a good idea for me to use the HSV masking I had already. The Hough Transform was proving to be more work than necessary, so it would be better for me to get some baseline images of the Perplexus in a realistic testing state (i.e without messy background and poor camera angle). I spent the period familiarizing myself with the Logitech Pro camera and installing the necessary harddrives to run the camera. Also, I took some preliminary pictures on my phone and attempted to remove glare by placing the Perplexus in a darkened cubby.

Thursday September 19

I coordinated a little with my partner Khushi Chawla prior to the class period and we decided that a Raspberry Pi would be the way to sync our two portions of the project. As such, I found a Raspberry pi and wiped the driver clean, going on to re-download necessary software. I haven't worked much in the past with a Raspberry Pi, so I am also researching the different ways in which I can connect cameras and deploy my code to the device.

Timeline

Date	Goal	Met
Today minus 2 weeks	Begin setup and research of Perplexus ball tracking	Yes, successfully met my goal.
Today minus 1 weeks	Locate the silver ball consistently and save coordinates	No, I changed the method I want to use for identification of the silver ball, and spent my time on that implementation
Today	Complete the implementation of the Hough Transform with respect to the HSV Masking	Decided to move onto a different course of action, i.e using RasPi
Today plus 1 week	Complete setup of Raspberry Pi	
Today plus 2 weeks	Obtain a sequence of images taken from consistent angles to run my code through during testing phases	

Reflection

I am coming to realize that a big part of my project is trying many different things to eventually pick the best path that I should take. The Raspberry pi does seem like the best idea out of the three that I have tried so far, but it's proving to be more difficult than I expected to learn how to use this unfamiliar piece of hardware.