ENPM663: Building a Manufacturing Robotic Software System RWA67



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Introduction:

ARIAC is hosted by National Institute of Standards and Technology (**NIST**) to test the **agility** of the industrial robot system.

The purpose of ARIAC is to make industrial robots more autonomous, productive with minimum human input.

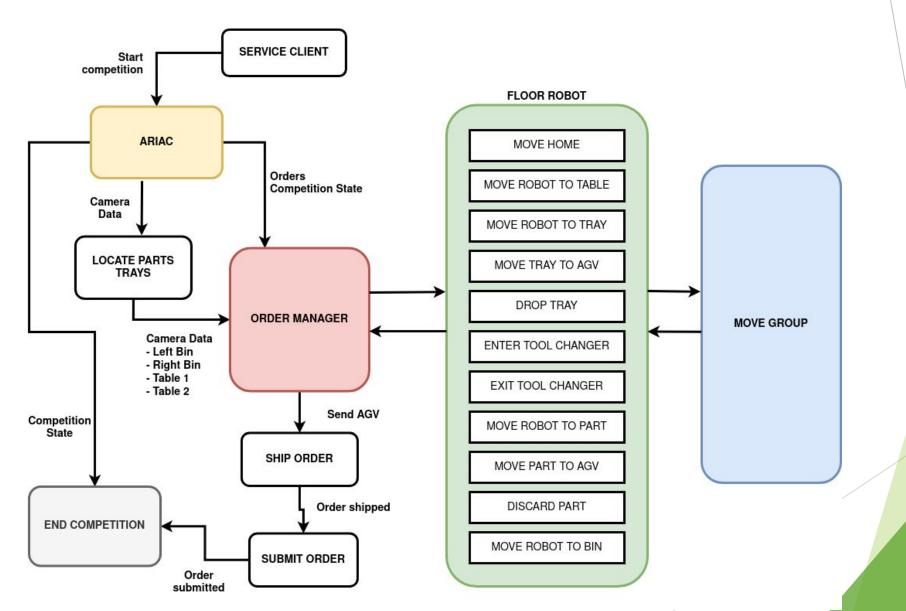


Problem Statement:

For this course the problem was to test the agility of an industrial floor robot to complete kitting tasks with the challenges of:

- Faulty part
 - Parts placed in certain quadrants for the first time are deemed faulty. They must be properly disposed of in the discard bin to avoid penalty
- Insufficient part
 - There are not enough parts to fulfill an order. The order must be complete to its fullest and still submitted.

Code Block Diagram:

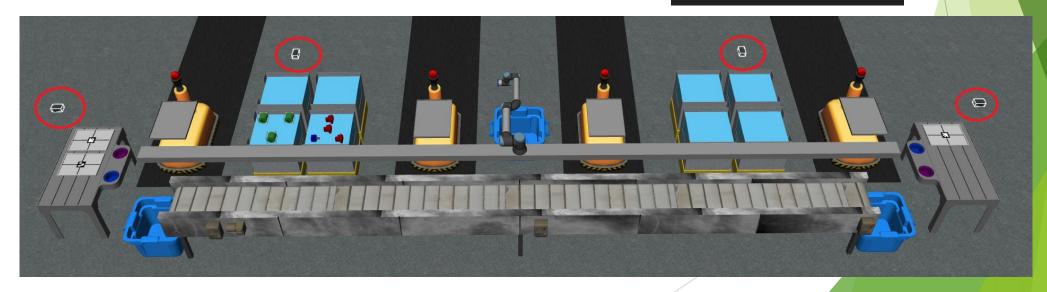


Environment Sensors:

- Provide control system with information necessary to build world model
- 4x Advanced Logical Sensors
 - Provide tray id and pose
 - Provide part pose, color, and type
- AGV Tray Sensors
 - Located on each AGV
 - Provide quality information of tray and parts

sensors.yaml

```
sensors:
 left bins camera:
  type: advanced logical camera
     xyz: [-2.286, -2.96, 1.8]
    rpy: [pi, pi/2, 0]
 right bins camera:
  type: advanced logical camera
    xyz: [-2.286, 2.96, 1.8]
  type: advanced logical camera
    xyz: [-1.3, -5.8, 1.8]
     rpy: [pi, pi/2, pi/2]
 kts2 camera:
  type: advanced logical camera
    xyz: [-1.3, 5.8, 1.8]
     rpy: [pi, pi/2, -pi/2]
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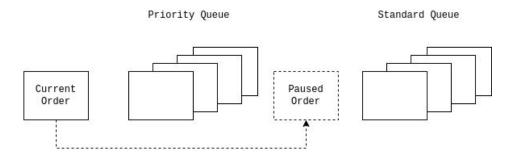
Order Manager - In Depth:

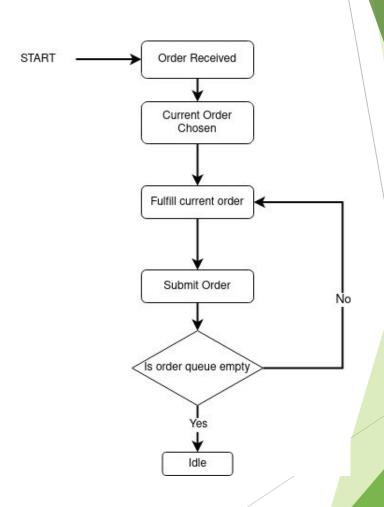
The Order Manager node is the heart of the competition package. It is the

Subscriptions

- ariac/competition_stateBegins fulfilling orders
- ariac/orders

 Adds orders to the queues
- /left_bin_camera_data
 /right_bin_camera_data
 /kitting_tray1_camera_data
 /kitting_tray2_camera_data
 Records the poses of parts and trays. These have been obtained by locate_parts_trays, translated to world pose, then republished





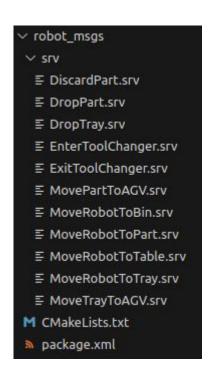
Order Manager - In Depth (cont.):

The Order Manager node is the heart of the competition package. It contains the main logic and makes the service requests to floor_robot

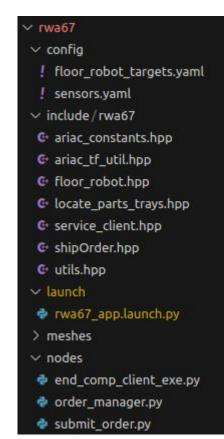
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Fullfill order:
    order = current order
    tray = order.tray
    agv = order.agv
    tray pose = search tray inventory(tray)
    move robot to table()
    change to tray gripper()
    grab tray()
    place tray on agv()
    remove tray from inventory()
    move robot to table()
    change to part gripper()
    for (part in list of parts):
        part pose = search part inventory(part)
        If (part pose == None):
             Continue #part not found... Moving on
        place part on tray()
        perform quality check()
        If (faulty):
             Move part to bin
             Add part back to list of parts
        Remove part from inventory()
    complete order()
```

Package Contents:

- Robot_msgs
 - Custom Service Messages



- Robot_msgs
 - Main Competitor Package



```
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 init_.py
 end_comp_client.py
 orders_interface.py
 submit_order_interface.py
 @ ariac_tf_util.cpp
 @ floor_robot.cpp
 @ locate_parts_trays.cpp
 @ main.cpp
 G service client.cpp
 G shipOrder.cpp
M CMakeLists.txt
package.xml
 trials
  rwa67_summer2023_SB_test1.yaml
  rwa67_summer2023_TS_test1.yaml
```

Trial Files:

The Order Manager node is the heart of the competition package:

- rwa67_summer2023.yaml
- rwa67_summer2023_SB_test1.yaml
 - 4 orders
 - Multiple Faulty Parts
 - Insufficient Parts
- rwa67_summer2023_TS_test1.yaml
 - Order contains 3 faulty parts and only 4 available



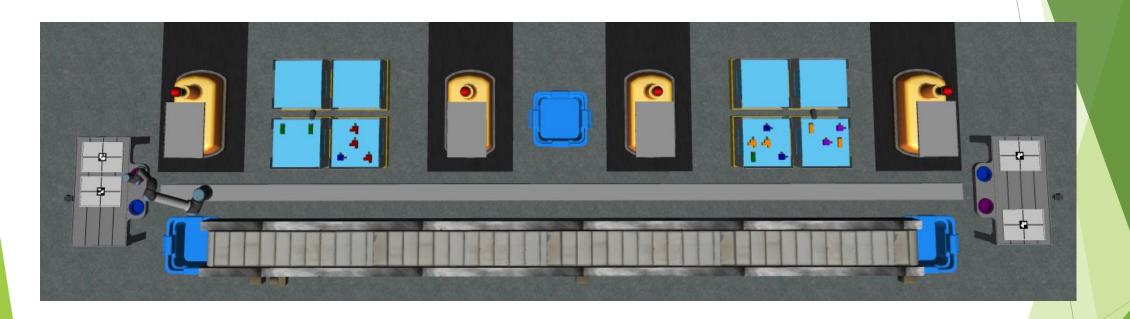
Testing: faulty parts lead to missing parts

rwa67_summer2023_SB_test1.yaml

```
parts:
 bins:
   bin1:
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'orange'
        slots: [1,6]
      - type: 'regulator'
        color: 'purple'
        slots: [3,5]
   bin2:
      type: 'regulator'
        color: 'blue'
        slots: [2,9]
      - type: 'sensor'
        color: 'orange'
        slots: [4,5]
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'green'
        slots: [7]
   bin5:
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'green'
        slots: [1,3]
   bin6:
      - type: 'sensor'
        color: 'red'
        slots: [2,5,9]
      - type: 'regulator'
        color: 'blue'
        slots: [7]
```

```
orders:
  - id: 'KITTING1'
    type: 'kitting'
    announcement:
      time condition: 0
   priority: false
    kitting task:
     agv number: 2
     tray id: 3
     destination: 'warehouse'
      products:
        - type: 'battery'
          color: 'green'
         quadrant: 1
        - type: 'sensor'
          color: 'red'
         quadrant: 3
  - id: 'KITTING2'
    type: 'kitting'
     part place condition:
        adv: 2
        color: 'red'
    priority: false
    kitting task:
      agy number: 3
     tray id: 5
     destination: 'warehouse'
      products:
        - type: 'battery'
         color: 'green'
         quadrant: 2
        - type: 'regulator'
          color: 'blue'
         quadrant: 4
```

```
id: 'KITTING3'
type: 'kitting'
  part place condition:
    agv: 2
    type: 'sensor'
    color: 'red'
priority: false
  agv number: 4
 tray id: 7
  destination: 'warehouse'
  products:
    - type: 'sensor'
      color: 'red'
      quadrant: 1
    - type: 'battery'
      color: 'green'
      quadrant: 2
id: 'KITTING4'
type: 'kitting'
  part place condition:
    agv: 4
    color: 'red'
priority: false
 agy number: 1
 tray id: 7
  destination: 'warehouse'
  products:
    - type: 'battery'
      color: 'orange'
      quadrant: 2
    - type: 'regulator'
      color: 'purple'
      quadrant: 4
```



rwa67_summer2023_TS_test1.yaml

```
parts:
  bins:
    bin1:
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'green'
        slots: [1]
    bin2:
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'green'
        slots: [2]
    bin5:
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'green'
        slots: [2]
    bin6:
      - type: 'battery'
        color: 'green'
        slots: [2, 9]
```

```
orders:
  - id: 'KITTING1'
    type: 'kitting'
    announcement:
      time condition: 0
    priority: false
    kitting task:
      agy number: 2
      tray id: 5
      destination: 'warehouse'
      products:
        - type: 'battery'
          color: 'green'
          quadrant: 1
        - type: 'battery'
          color: 'green'
          quadrant: 2
        - type: 'battery'
          color: 'green'
          quadrant: 3
        - type: 'battery'
          color: 'green'
          quadrant: 4
```

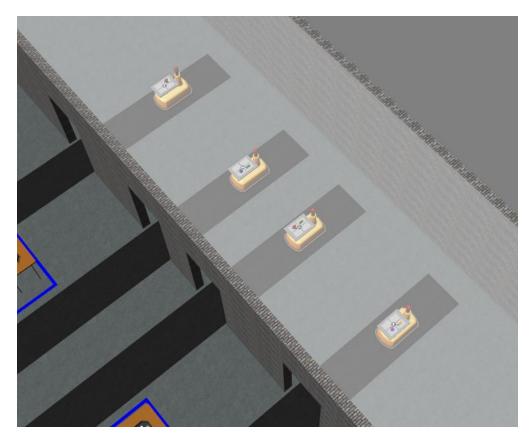
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challenges:
- faulty_part:
- order_id: 'KITTING1'
- quadrant1: true
- quadrant2: true
- quadrant3: true
```

Result:

rwa67_summer2023_SB_test1.yaml:

► completion time: 162 sec

► Score: 39

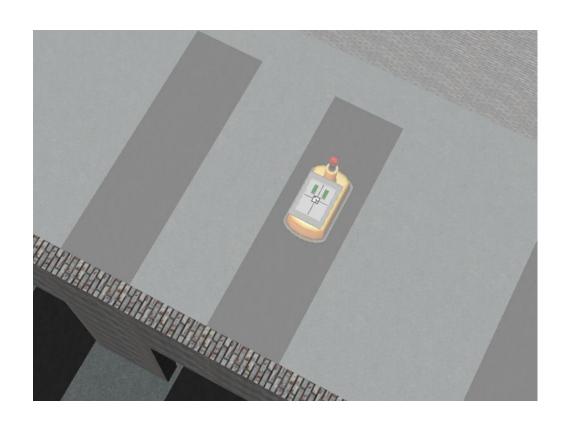


Result (cont.):

rwa67_summer2023_TS_test1.yaml:

completion time: 97 sec

► Score: 9



Challenges Faced:

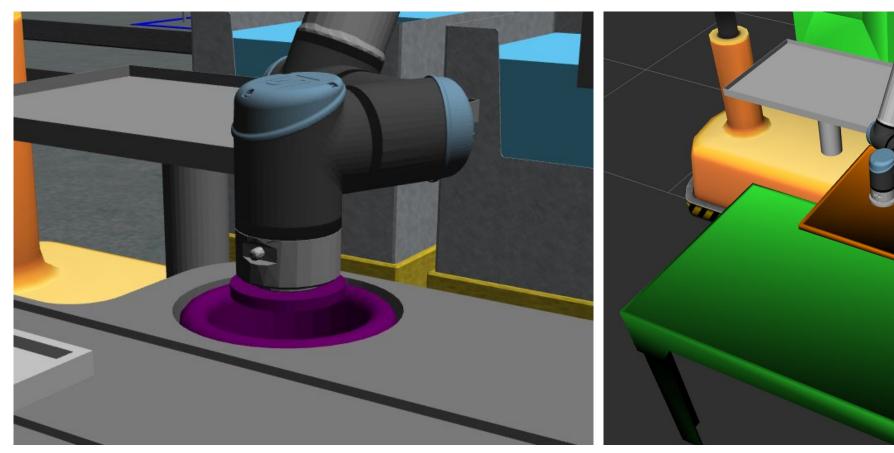
Numerous obstacles were faced during this project such as:

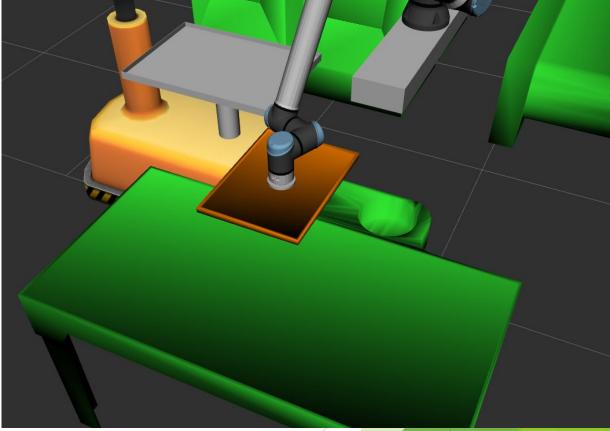
- Building a robust control architecture to handle challenges in orders.
- Parsing camera data to manager the order providing by the competition.
- Writing servers and using appropriate services to perform Kitting task in Gazebo environment.
- Breaking down services for a smoother simulation.
- Establishing appropriate communication between servers (written in C++) and clients (written in Python).

Challenges Faced (cont.):

- Fine tuning parameters in server callback methods for the floor robot to perform pick and place task for various parts and tray.
- Ensuring parts were properly added to planning scene before attempting to interact with them.
- Adjusting waypoints and targets to avoid collision with objects not in planning scene (objects still in bin).
- What to snack on at midnight when floor robot goes rogue, dancing on the rail.

Challenges Faced (cont.):

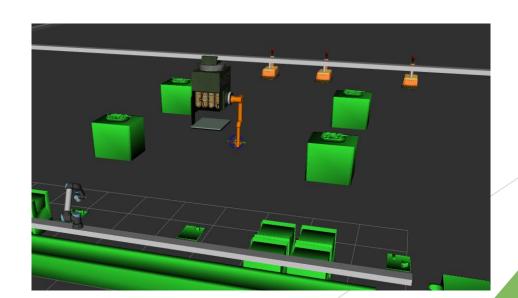




Robot would not enter gripper changer because the planning scene still had the tray attached.

How can the results be made better?

- Tray and Part inventories are determined at start. Ideally, part and tray locations should be continuously updated (bumped parts, dropped parts)
- Integrate ceiling robot to reach all parts in bins
- Attach trays/parts to AGVs in planning view. Current implementation would cause collisions when using the AGV for a second time.
- Finish Priority order logic



Conclusion

- The 'rwa67' accomplishes its objectives:
 - Perform motion planning to perform up to orders
 - ► 1 per AGV
 - Cater for insufficient parts & faulty parts

Demo:

Build the packages:

cd ~/ariac_ws/
colcon build --packages-select robot_msgs
colcon build --packages-select rwa67

Launch:

ros2 launch rwa67 rwa67_app.launch.py