

Milestone 2 – Robot Motion and Cleaning Action Simulation Mechanism

1.0 Objectives

- i. Demonstrate that robot can move efficiently.
- ii. Demonstrate cleaning action simulation by placing an object on top of the target.

2.0 Instructions

Prior to Milestone 2 assessment lab:

Build your robot's mobility system and its object placement system. Your object that you would be placing on top of the target should be built for this test. You can change the software on your robot between each of the numbered tests below.

- 1. Your robot should be able to move in a straight line and turn 90 degrees on command. Install two buttons on your robot and write software so that your robot performs the following actions:
 - When button 1 is pushed, the robot should move forward about 1 metre. The objective should be to keep the robot going straight not to accurately measure the distance moved.
 - When button 2 is pushed, the robot should turn about 90 degrees. If your robot has a minimum turning radius, it can move forward this required distance.
 - Your robot should avoid skidding as much as possible. Skidding is when the direction of motion differs significantly from the orientation of the robot's wheels or tracks.
- 2. Your robot should also be able to perform the object placement. When the proper software is installed on your robot, it should perform the following action:
 - When the target is properly positioned, the robot should be able to place the object on top of the target. That is, you can manually place your robot at the proper position with respect to the target object and trigger the object placement activity.

During Milestone 2 assessment lab:

Demonstrate the following functions:

- 1. Robot movement under push-button control.
 - a. Robot moves forward about one metre when triggered by push button with a minimum distance of 75 cm.
 - b. Robot will turn approximately 90 degrees (45 degrees to 135 degrees) when another button pushed.
- 2. Operation of object placement under push button control.
 - a. When robot is properly positioned with respect to target object, demonstrate that the robot can place the object on top of the target.



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Grading - subject to minor adjustments

	•	Marks
Robot Motion (Should be repeatable 3 times)		10
0 points	Robot does not move	
1-4 points	Robot moves but cannot move in a straight line, cannot turn, or	
	motion is very uneven/jerky.	
5-8 points	Robot either cannot move in straight line or motion is uneven. The	
	robot twists when stopping at end of forward motion by more than	
	30 degrees.	
9-10 points	Robot motion is both smooth and straight with no problems or small	
	problems (e.g. small problem during only one trial).	
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Construction		5
0 points	Robot construction is incomplete	
1-2 points	Robot construction is shoddy with loose wires impairing some	
	necessary movements. There may be lots of unnecessary vibrations during motion.	
3-4 points	Robot construction is mostly of high quality with some problem	
	areas such as a single loose wire or small vibration	
5 points	No problems seen with construction.	
Object placement mechanism (Should be repeatable 3 times)		10
0 points	Robot cannot place the object on top of the target.	
1-4 points	Robot object placement is unreliable. (e.g. object falls down from	
	target on all trials but placement mechanism works on all trials)	
5-8 points	Robot object placement works for most trials with one major failure	
	or design flaw (e.g. high impact on the target while placing the	
	object).	
9-10 points	Robot successfully places the object with no or only minor flaws	
Total		25