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Robot Programming with ROS

1. Introduction, Overview

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General Info

- Lecturers: Arthur, Alina (PhD students at IAI)
- Tutor: Stefan (WiMi at IAI)
- Correspondence: aniedz@cs.uni-bremen.de
- Dates: Thursdays, 14:15 15:45, 16:15 17:45
- Language: English and German
- Credits: 6 ECTS (4 SWS)
- Course type: practical course
- Course number: 03-IMVP-RPROS (03-BE-710.98b)
- Location: TAB Building, Room 0.30 EG







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Course Goals

Intended Learning Outcomes







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- You can describe the components of a cognitive robot.
- You can describe how a robot perceives the world.
- You understand how an autonomous vacuum cleaner navigates.







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You will learn / improve your skills in the following:

Git







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ROS - Robot Operating System

https://www.ros.org/







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TortugaBot

- 2 controllable wheels
- 2D laser scanner
- Thinkpad E485 PC with bluetooth
- PlayStation joystick









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Rough schedule

Until Christmas 2023: Assignments in simulation







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Jan - Mar 2024: Project in groups

- Controlling TortugaBot
- Heuristic decision-making
- The big day: competition







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Scheinbedingungen Summary

- Graded homework every week until January, then group project
- Live presentation of the group project, individual grading
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Links

• This lectures website:

https://ai.uni-bremen.de/teaching/cs-ros-ws23

Git reference book:

https://git-scm.com/docs/gittutorial

Assignments repository:

https://github.com/artnie/rpwr-assignments





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Info summary

Next class:

• Date: 26.10.

• Time: 14:15

Place: same room (TAB 0.30)

Assignment:

Due: 25.10, Wednesday, 23:59

• Points: 3 points

 For questions: write me a mail or ask your colleagues in the StudIP forum







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Assignment goals

Set up your workspace



Set up your Git repository



Get comfortable with Jupyter



Install/Navigate a Linux terminal









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Linux

Highly recommended to try Linux!

- Ubuntu 20.04 runs all of the institutes robot software
- ROS is best supported for Ubuntu 20.04
- Natively communicate with the TortugaBot in the project
- You can break everything







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Ubuntu 20.04 - your options (Recommended)

Release page:

https://releases.ubuntu.com/focal/

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- WSL2 Windows Subsystem for Linux (best for Windows) Full Ubuntu 20.04 CLL under Windows

https://ubuntu.com/tutorials/install-ubuntu-on-wsl2-on-windows-10\







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Robot Operating System (Recommended)

BOS Noetic runs on Ubuntu 20 04

- Installation guide https://wiki.ros.org/noetic/Installation/Ubuntu
- Open access tutorials https://wiki.ros.org/ROS/Tutorials







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Assignments Repository

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Q & A

Thanks for your attention!