
Thirty Gallon Robot, Navigation Component

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Robots in Academia

- Not well funded and not affordable
- Toolset is not wide enough
 - Proprietary software and hardware
- Difficult to implement, compatibility wise



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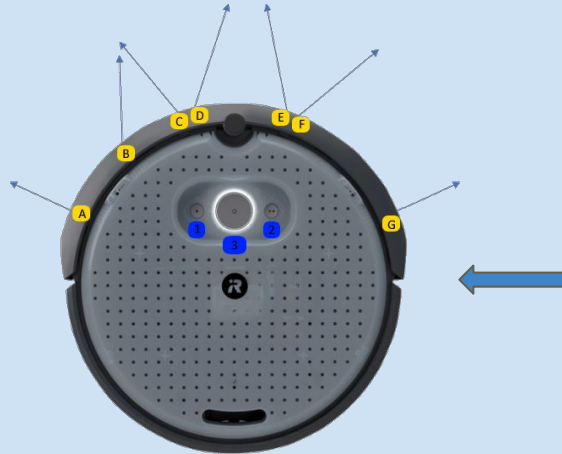
- Educator at heart
- Longtime developmental goal with this project
- Access to numerous resources
 - Create 3 robot by the Roomba creators
 - Multiple sensors and actuators
- Working to further the educational opportunities in Computer Science



Available Resources

- In the some of the past attempts previous groups lacked a functional robot
- Other groups had a homemade robot that has since broken down
- We have access to the Create 3 as opposed to a homemade platform

RobotTM
Education



Problem Statement

- Combine sensors and actuators from a robot to demonstrate a self localizing navigation system
 - Must be modular and robust
- Prove to be modular with other sensors/actuators and environments
- Provide a simple program that guides a tour through a building

Self-Awareness + Modularity + Practicality

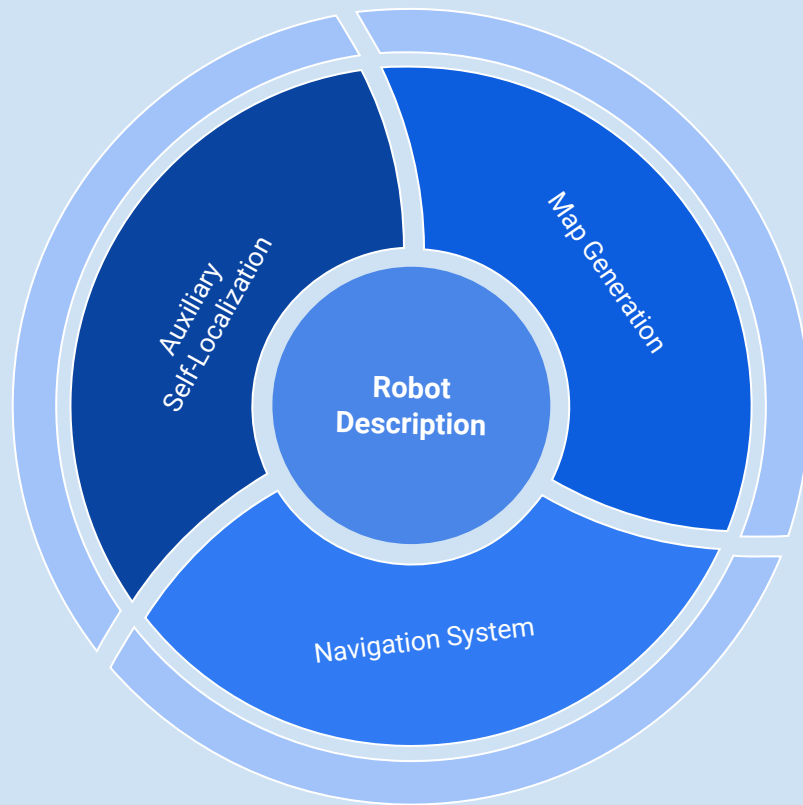
Solution Overview

- Using a required robotics operating system (ROS2), develop mapping functions, mobility, safety, and self localization functionality
- Compatible with differing sensor types
 - Actuators will depend on odometry accuracy
- Programmable with dependency on navigational components



Key Requirements

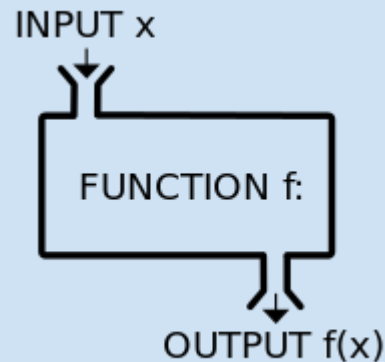
- Robot Description
- Map Generation
- Navigation System
- Auxiliary Triangulation



Functional Requirements

Map Generation:

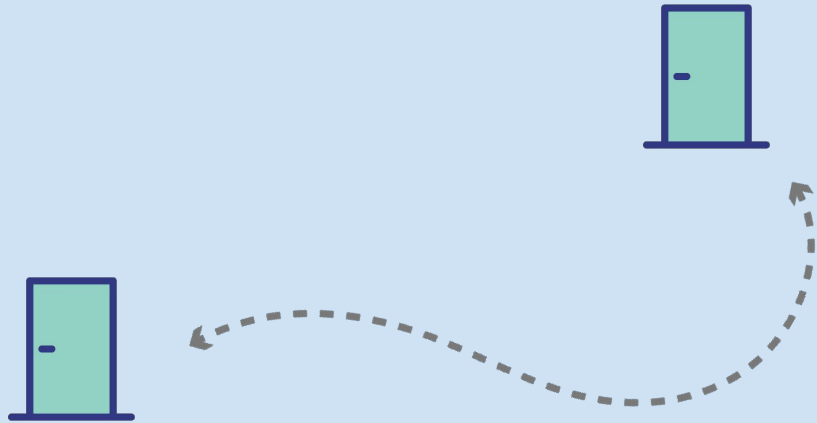
- Robot will be able to map the entire floor:
 - A coastal navigation function used to draw a map of the floor
 - A function that will read sensor input



Performance Requirements

Navigation System:

- Generating the route in which the robot will take is dependent on user input of coordinates.



HOW?

Environmental Requirements

Auxiliary Self-Localization:

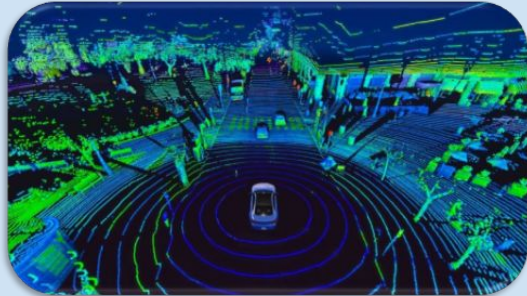
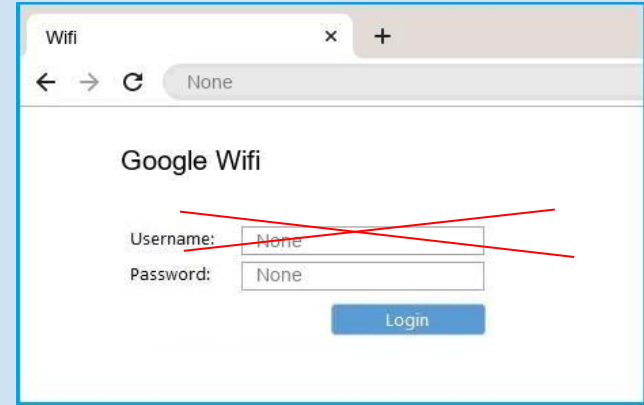
- For the purposes of this project, we are going to limit our scope to the list of routers available at NAU.



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Risks and Feasibility

- Sensor compatibility
 - Lidar input greatly differs from our standard IR sensors
- Odometry dependant
- Technical issues with wifi connection abilities
- Size and mobility differences between robots



Lidar

VS



IR

Project Organization

- Client Meetings
 - Thursdays: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
- Mentor Meetings
 - Thursdays: 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- Team Meetings
 - Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM



CS 476 Capstone



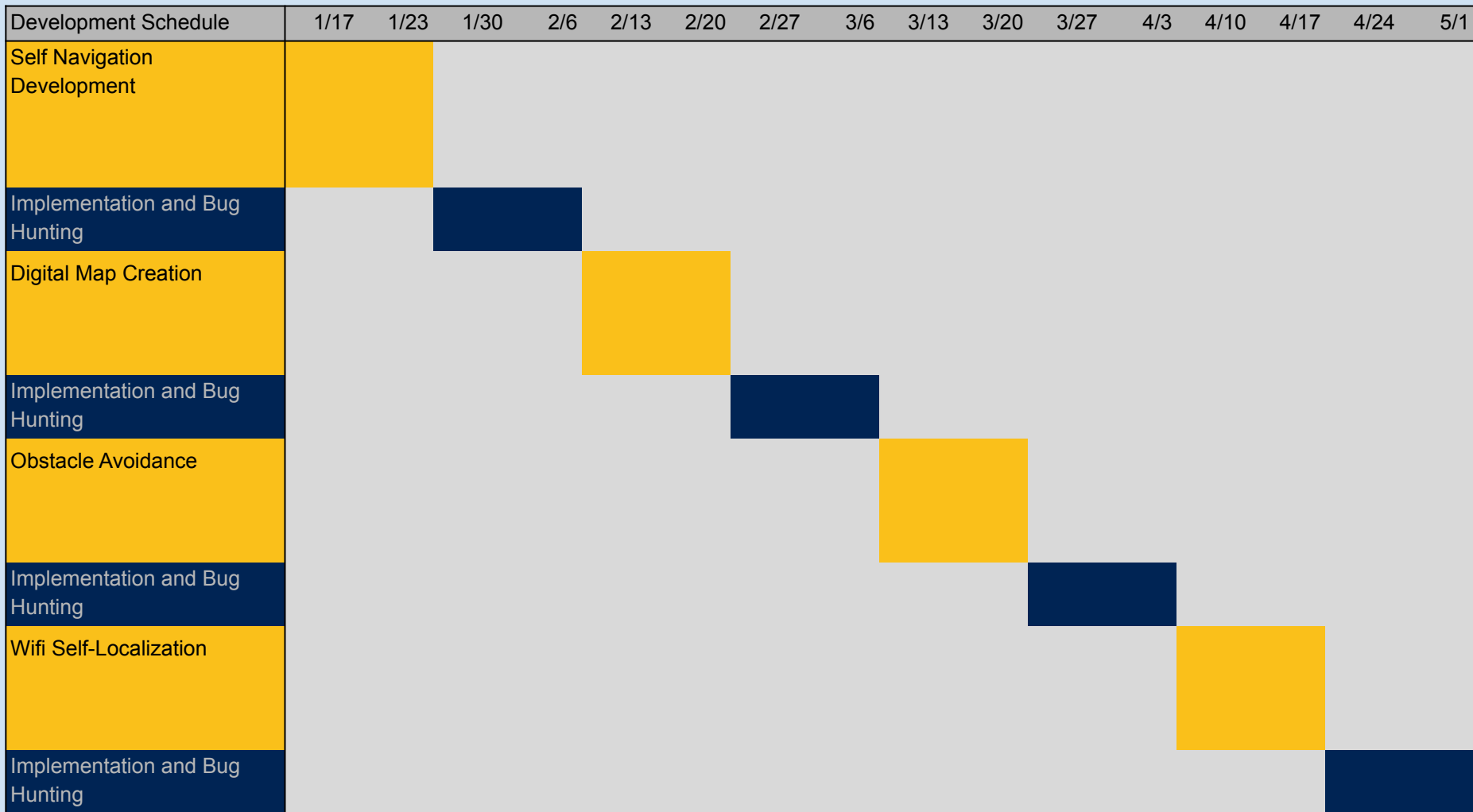
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Schedule

- Guarantee robots safety mechanisms
- Implement basic functions with mobility and environmental awareness
- Map generation
- Object avoidance
- Self-localization mechanisms
- Program a tour and show proof of concept!



Conclusion

- Our robotics software has the potential to greatly improve academia in this industry
- We can mainstream a baseline for an affordable navigation software to anyone
- All while avoiding the proprietary hindrances that comes with patented software

Questions???