



Collaborative Processing in Sensor Networks

Lecture 8 – MSP 101

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What is MSP?

Mobile Sensor Platform

- Mobility
- Integrated capabilities of sensing
- On-board processing capability
- Wireless communication
- Cost-effective

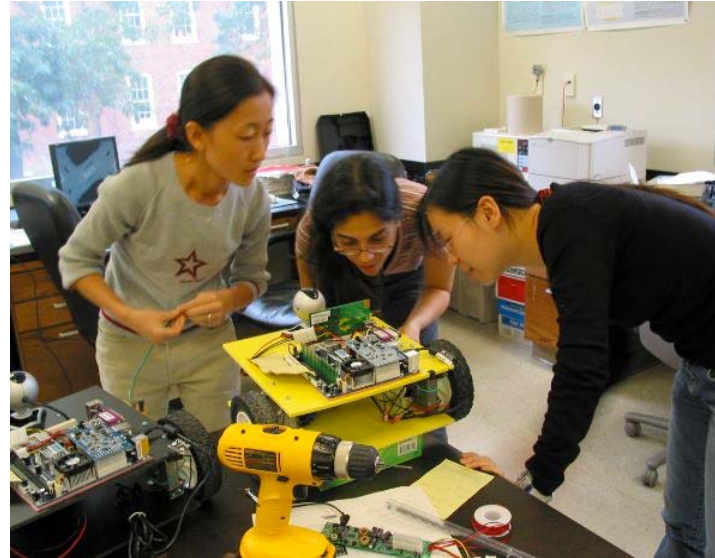
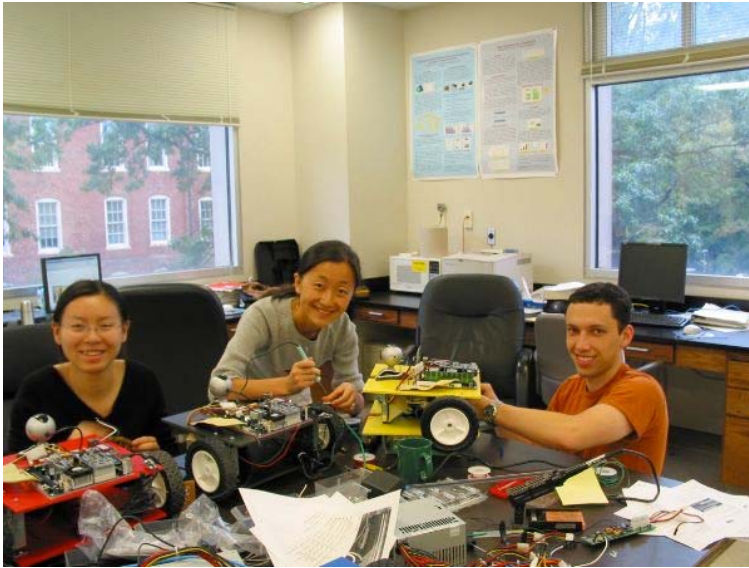


History of MSP Design

- MSP v1.0 - Spring 2004
 - ECE491 Design Project (Visionaries)
- MSP v2.0 - Fall 2005
 - MS thesis by Chris Beall
 - Adding Ranging Sensor
- MSP v2.5 - Spring 2006
 - ECE692 Design Project by Austin Albright
 - Adding a Servo for the range Sensor
- MSP v3.0 - Summer 2008
 - Standardized all works
 - Adding a Servo for the camera



History of MSP Design



System Facts

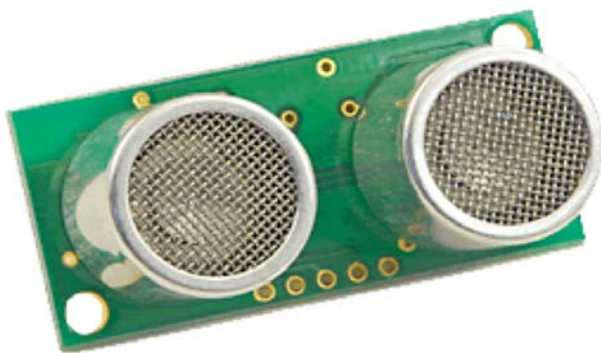


- Dimension: 300x400x200 cm
- Cost: ~ \$500 each
- Battery Life: ~ 3 hours
- 1.5 GHz processor
- 1 GB of RAM
- 30 GB Harddisk
- Operating system: Linux



Sensing Units

- MSP is equipped with two kinds of sensors
 - Imaging sensor
 - Logitech Pro 5000
 - Range sensor
 - Ultrasonic rangefinder SRF05



Processing

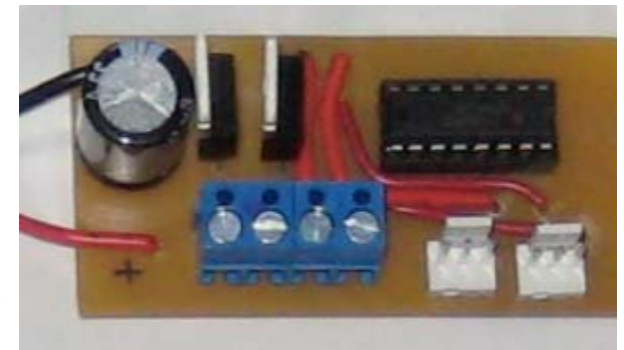
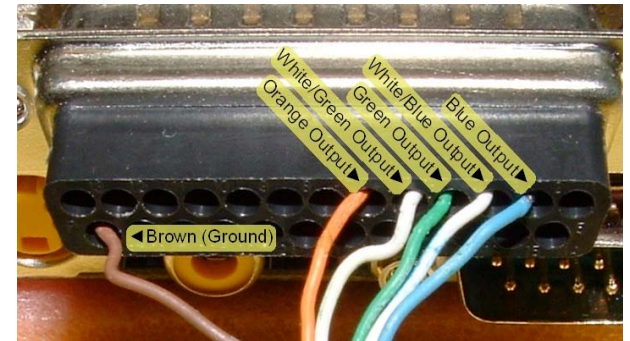


- Mini-ITX (7x7in) form factor motherboard - VIA CN700
- 1.5GHz processor
- Room for one memory module
- Integrated video, audio, ethernet
- PCI expansion slot (used for wireless)
- Needs an external Power Supply

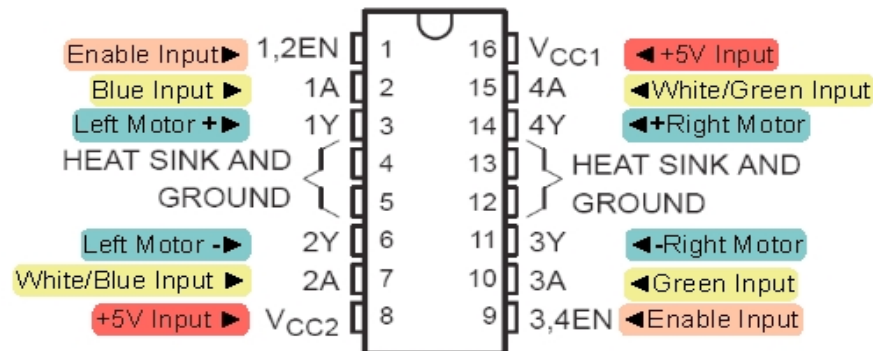


Motor Control

- The parallel port is used to send a PWM signal to the H-Bridge IC which directly drives two motors

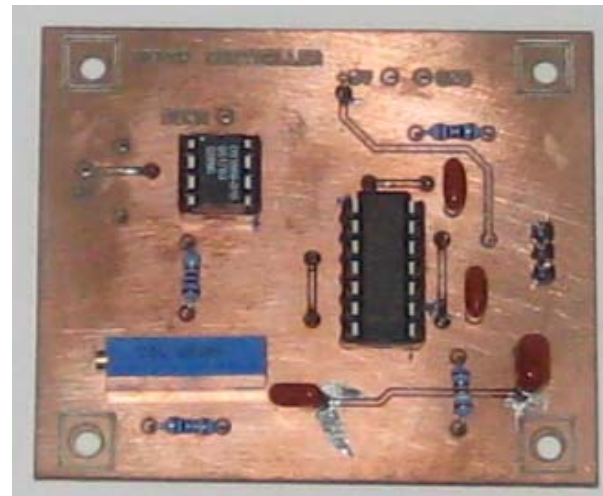
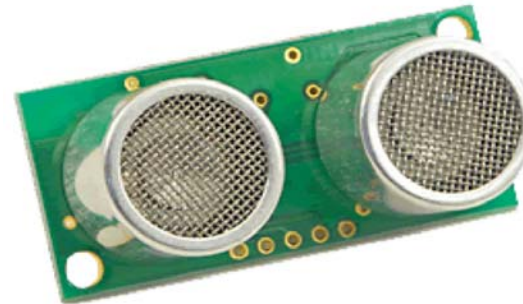


(TOP VIEW)



Range Sensor & Servo Control

- SRF05 Ultrasonic Ranger
 - The parallel port is used.
 - Input: Power & Trigger signal
 - Output: Echo signal
 - Range: 3cm - 4m
- HITEC HS-311 Servo
 - Turns: 180 degree
- Servo Controller Circuit
 - Digital Potentiometer
 - 556 dual timer IC



Software

- Operating System: Linux
 - Ubuntu 7.04 → Ubuntu 8.04
- Wireless Card Driver
 - To be supported by Linux, or
 - use Ndiswrapper
- Remote Access protocol: SSH Secure Shell
 - Log into a remote machine and execute commands
 - File transfer
- Camera
 - To be supported by Linux,
 - Use Logitech, **DO NOT** use Microsoft



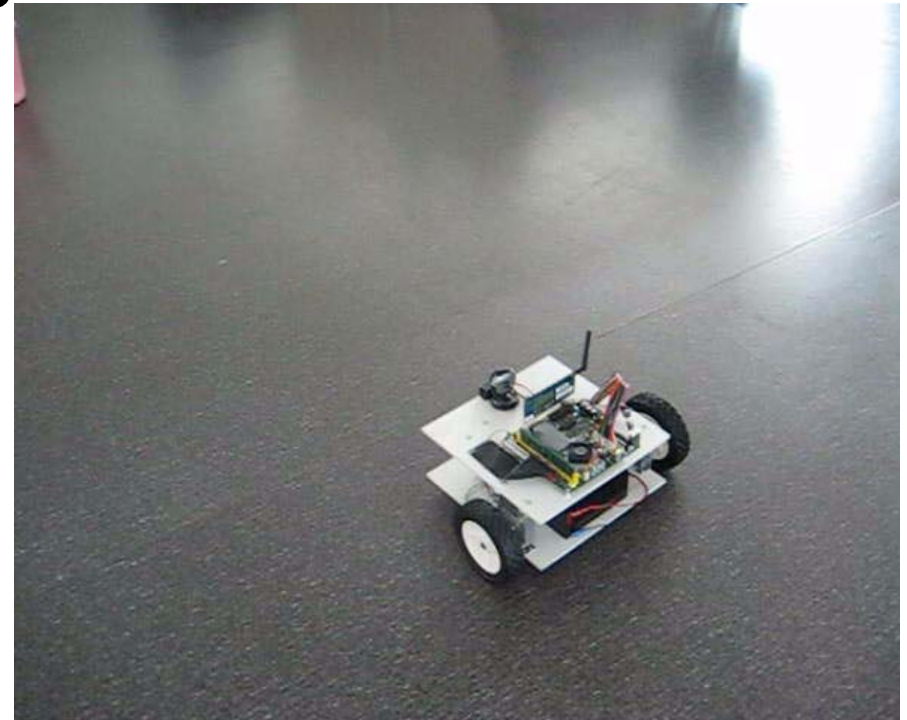
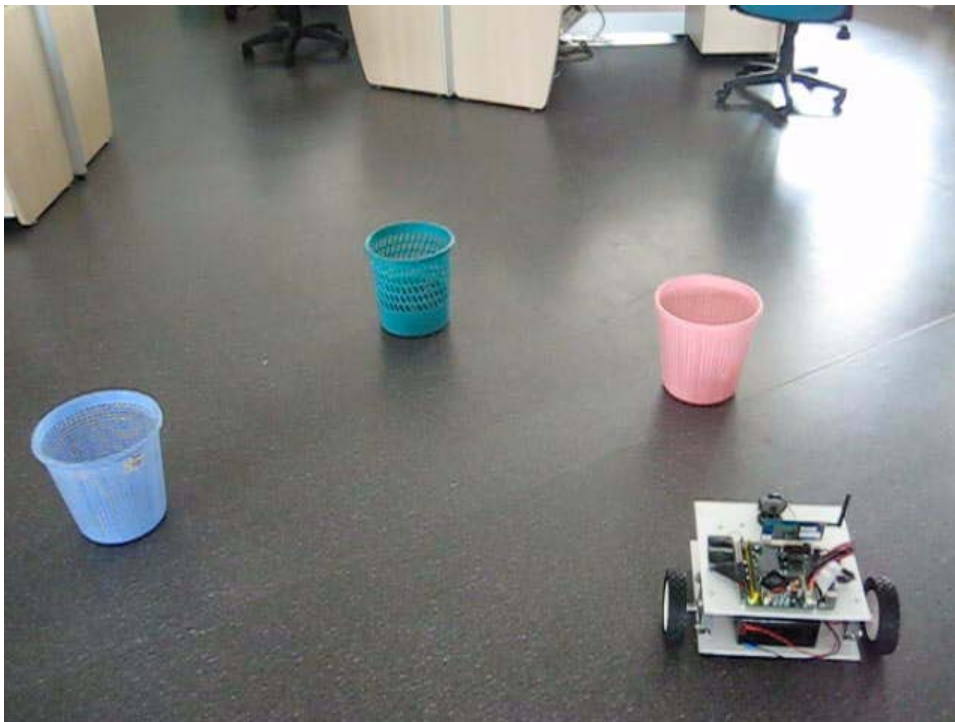
Projects & Demos

- Component testing
 - Motortest
 - Range Sensor Test
- Self-localization demo
 - Using ARTool Kit
- Parallel dancing demo
 - Class project demo from ECE453, Fall 2005
- Target recognition demo
 - Class final project demo from ECE692, Spring 2004
- Self-deployment demo - Distributed vs. Centralized
 - Chris Beall's MS defense demo, Summer 2006



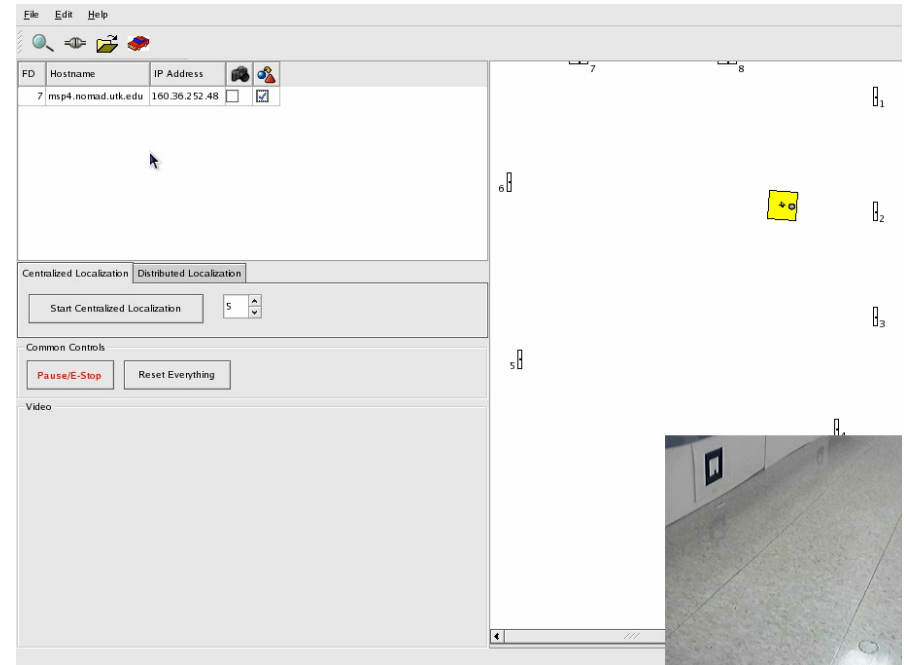
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Self-localization demo

- Using ARTool Kit



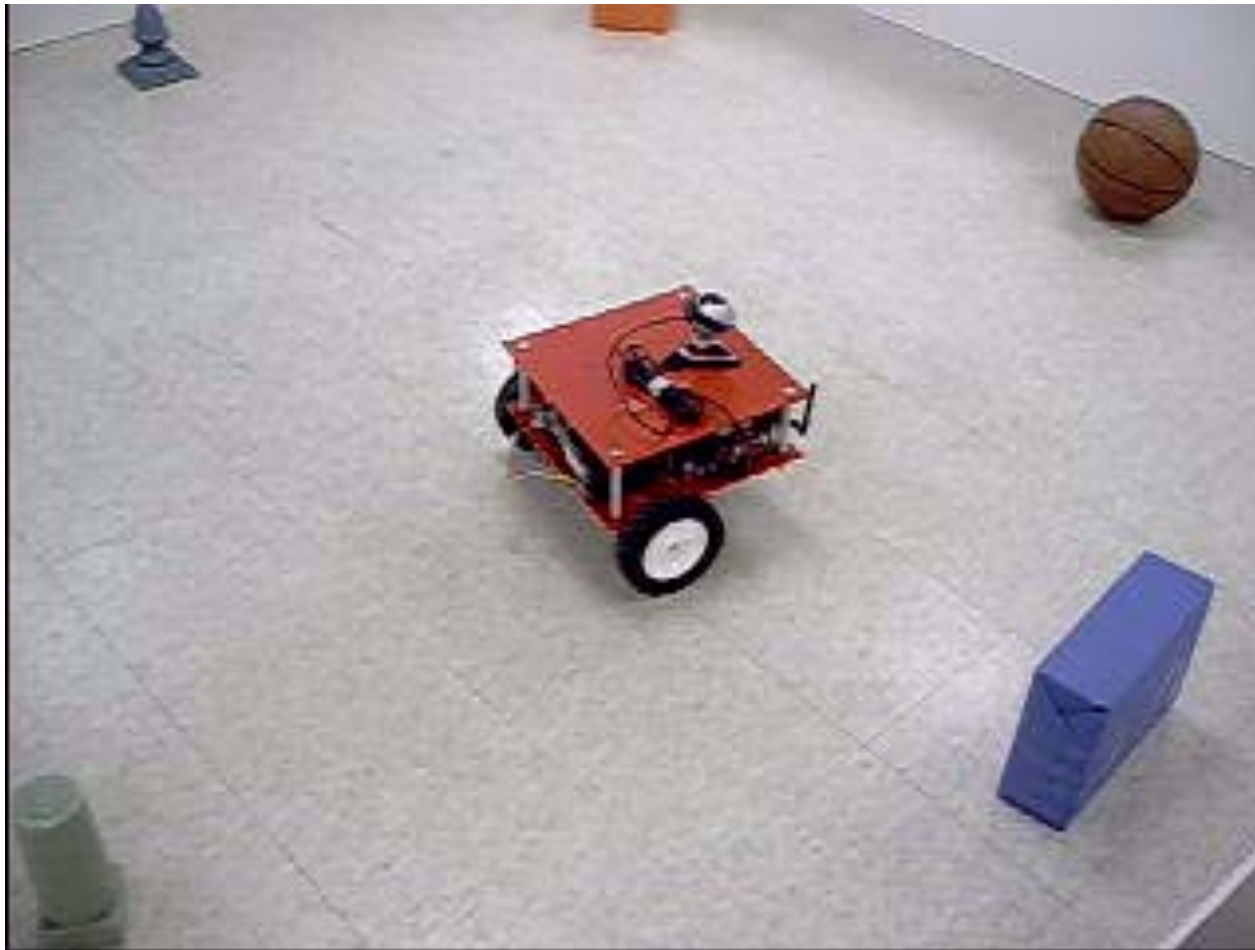
Parallel dancing

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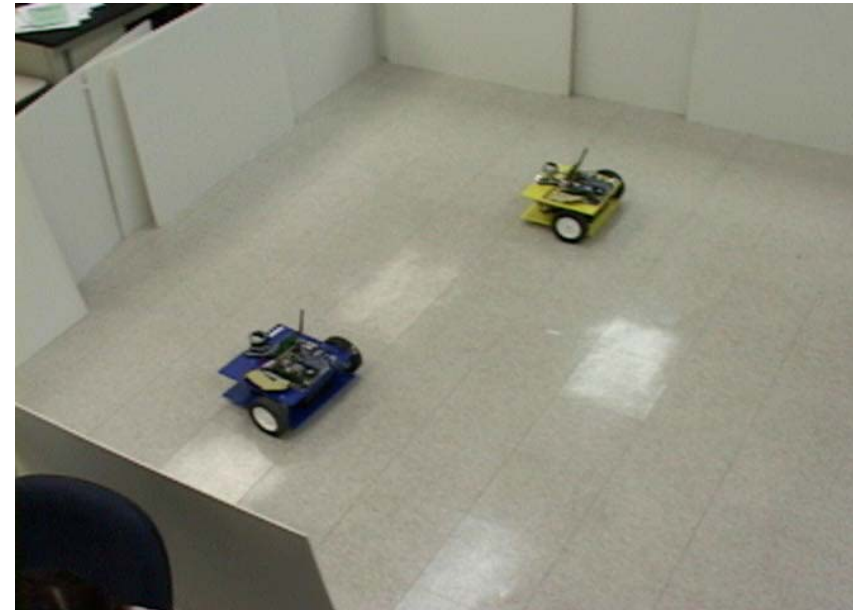
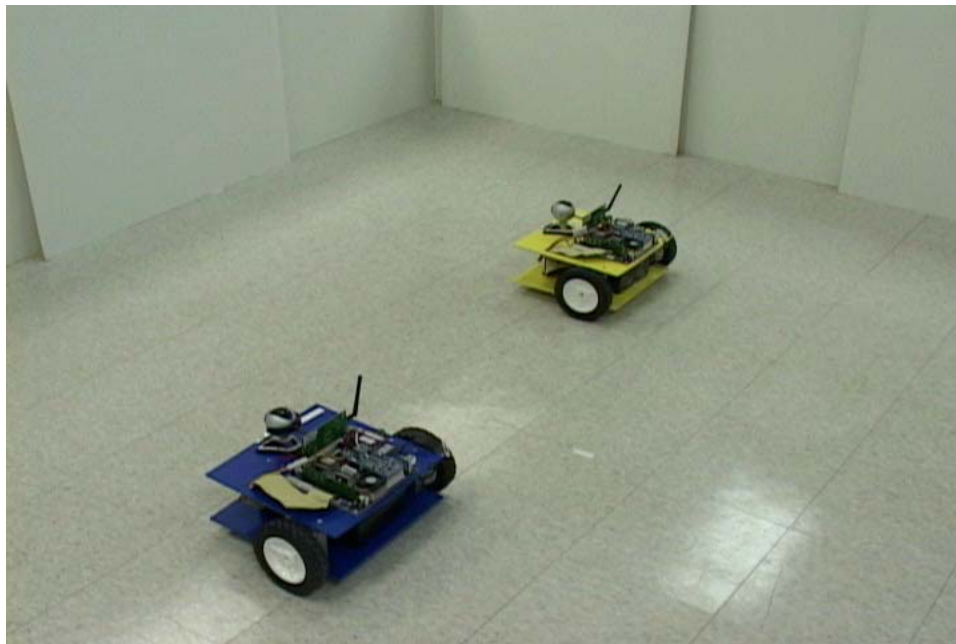
Target recognition

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Self-deployment

- Centralized vs. Distributed
 - Chris Beall's MS defense demo



Power Consumption of MSP

- Power OFF (Sleep Mode)
 - 0.14-0.15 A (1.68-1.8 W)
- Power ON (Idle Mode)
 - 1.82 A (21.84 W)
- Data Send/Receive
 - 1.92 A (23.04 W)
- Motors
 - Both: 2.22 A (26.64 W)
 - Left: 2.07 A (24.84 W)
 - Right: 2.01 A (24.12 W)



Questions & Future Work

- DC motors are not identical so feedback control is needed.
- Can step motor be used?
- Fix the problem in servo control circuit.
- Can smaller battery be used?
- Is MSP too big? Why not make it smaller?
- More info: <http://panda.ece.utk.edu/wiki/MSP>

