Embedded Motion Control Group 1

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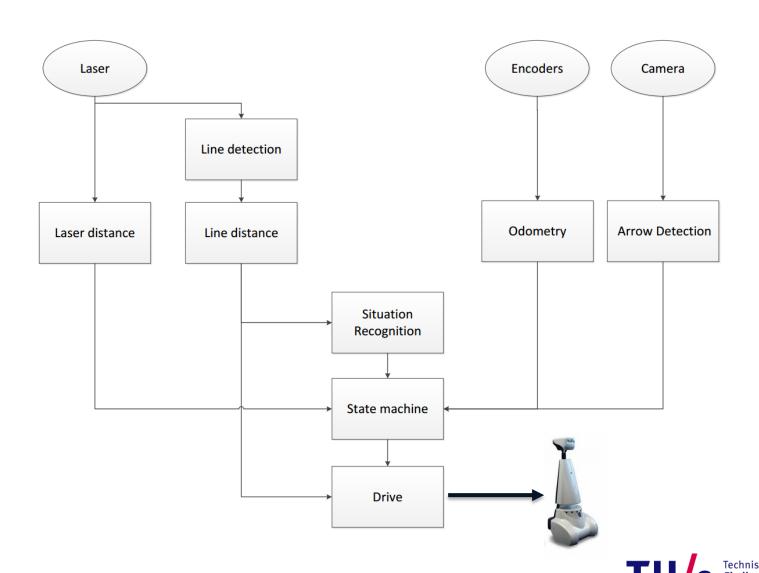
Where innovation starts

Strategy

- Maze solving algorithm: the wall follower
 - Situation recognition
 - Arrow detection
- Modular software design
 - Effective and easy to tweak
 - Start with simple, functioning software, then add more sophisticated 'blocks' to improve performance

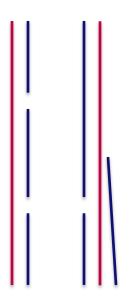


Software architecture



Line detection

- Goal
 - Detect walls
- Input
 - Laser data
- Approach
 - Hough transform
 - Custom line filter
 - Merges dublicate lines
- Output
 - Matrix with detected lines (x1,y1) (x2,y2)





Arrow detection

Goal

Detect left/right arrows in the maze

Input

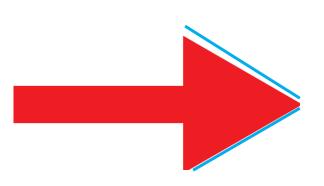
Image of camera pico

Approach

- Edge detection
 - Hough transform, custom filter
 - Detect if \ is above \ or vice versa
 - Arrow has to be detected 3 times
 - GUI to tune the color red
 - Feature detection
- Template matching

Output

Boolean 'arrow left/right'





Situation recognition

Goal

Determine maze 'situation'

Input

Detected lines

Approach

- KISS (Keep It Simple, Stupid)
 - Detect only what you need, when you need it
- Cluster lines

Output

- Available exit left or right
 - If exit is a dead end? → No exit detected



State machine (decision making)

Goal

Determine PICO behavior

Input

- Situation
- Arrow detection

Approach

- Modular design
- Plug&play
- Custom-written FSM class

Output

Drive left, drive right, drive straightforward, etc



Conclusion

Fast maze solving PICO

- Modular design
- Plug&play state machine
- Robust wall/arrow detection
- Dead end recognition



