

Robot Programming A Practical To Behavior Based Robotics

An easy-to-follow guide that will help you build robots using with ease KEY FEATURES ? Simplified coverage on fundamentals of building a robot platform. ? Learn to program Raspberry Pi for interacting with hardware. ? Cutting-edge coverage on autonomous motion, mapping, and path planning algorithms for advanced robotics. DESCRIPTION Practical Robotics in C++ teaches the complete spectrum of Robotics, right from the setting up a computer for a robot controller to putting power to the wheel motors. The book brings you the workshop knowledge of the electronics, hardware, and software for building a mobile robot platform. You will learn how to use sensors to detect obstacles, how to train your robot to build itself a map and plan an obstacle-avoiding path, and how to structure your code for modularity and interchangeability with other robot projects. Throughout the book, you can experience the demonstrations of complete coding of robotics with the use of simple and clear C++ programming. In addition, you will explore how to leverage the Raspberry Pi GPIO hardware interface pins and existing libraries to make an incredibly capable machine on the most affordable computer platform ever. WHAT YOU WILL LEARN ? Write code for the motor drive controller. ? Build a Map from Lidar Data. ? Write and implement your own autonomous path-planning algorithm. ? Write code to send path waypoints to the motor drive controller autonomously. ? Get to know more about robot mapping and navigation. WHO THIS BOOK IS FOR This book is most suitable for C++ programmers who have keen interest in robotics and hardware programming. All you need is just a good understanding of C++ programming to get the most out of this book. TABLE OF CONTENTS 1. Choose and Set Up a Robot Computer 2. GPIO Hardware Interface Pins Overview and Use 3. The Robot Platform 4. Types of Robot Motors and Motor Control 5. Communication with Sensors and other Devices 6. Additional Helpful Hardware 7. Adding the Computer to Control your Robot 8. Robot Control Strategy 9. Coordinating the Parts 10. Maps for Robot Navigation 11. Robot Tracking and Localization 12. Autonomous Motion 13. Autonomous Path Planning 14. Wheel Encoders for Odometry 15. Ultrasonic Range Detectors 16. IMUs: Accelerometers, Gyroscopes, and Magnetometers 17. GPS and External Beacon Systems 18. LIDAR Devices and Data 19. Real Vision with Cameras 20. Sensor Fusion 21. Building and Programming an Autonomous Robot Industrial Robots Programming focuses on designing and building robotic manufacturing cells, and explores the capabilities of today's industrial equipment as well as the latest computer and software technologies. Special attention is given to the input devices and systems that create efficient human-machine interfaces, and how they help non-technical personnel perform necessary programming, control, and supervision tasks. Drawing upon years of practical experience and using numerous examples and illustrative applications, J.

Norberto Pires covers robotics programming as it applies to: The current industrial robotic equipment including manipulators, control systems, and programming environments. Software interfaces that can be used to develop distributed industrial manufacturing cells and techniques which can be used to build interfaces between robots and computers. Real-world applications with examples designed and implemented recently in the lab. Industrial Robots Programming has been selected for indexing by Scopus. For more information about Industrial Robotics, please find the author's Industrial Robotics collection at the iTunesU University of Coimbra channel.

Taking a completely hands-on approach, using cheap and easily available robotics kits, Practical and Experimental Robotics provides a detailed exploration of the construction, theory, and experiments for different types of robots. With topics ranging from basic stamp microcontrollers to biped and propeller based robots, the text contains laboratory experiments, examples with solutions, and case studies. The authors begin with a review of the essential elements of electronics and mechanics. They describe the basic mechanical construction and electrical control of the robot, then give at least one example of how to operate the robot using microcontrollers or software. The book includes a reference chapter on Basic Stamp Microcontrollers with example code pieces and a chapter completely devoted to PC interfacing. Each chapter begins with the fundamentals, then moves on to advanced topics, thus building a foundation for learning from the ground up. Building a bridge between technicians who have hands-on experience and engineers with a deeper insight into the workings, the book covers a range of machines, from arm, wheel, and leg robots to flying robots and robotic submarines and boats. Unlike most books in this field, this one offers a complete set of topics from electronics, mechanics, and computer interface and programming, making it an independent source for knowledge and understanding of robotics.

The papers presented at the Second International Conference on Robotics and Factories of the Future held in San Diego, California, USA during July 28-31, 1987 are compiled in this volume. Over two hundred participants attended the conference, made technical presentations and discussed about various aspects of manufacturing, robotics and factories of the future. The number of papers published in this volume and the number of unpublished presentations at the conference indicates the evidence of growing interest in the areas of CAD/CAM, robotics and their role in future factories. The conference consisted of five plenary sessions, twenty three technical sessions, workshops, and exhibits from local industries and educational institutions. I wish to acknowledge with many thanks the contributions of all the authors who presented their work at the conference and submitted the manuscripts for publication. It is also my pleasure to acknowledge the role of keynote, banquet, and plenary sessions speakers whose contributions added greatly to the success of the conference. My sincere thanks to all session chairmen. I wish that the series of the International

Conferences on Robotics and Factories of the Future which was initiated in 1984 in Charlotte, North Carolina will have a major impact on the use of robots and computers in the automated factories of the future.

Deploy deep learning applications into production across multiple platforms. You will work on computer vision applications that use the convolutional neural network (CNN) deep learning model and Python. This book starts by explaining the traditional machine-learning pipeline, where you will analyze an image dataset. Along the way you will cover artificial neural networks (ANNs), building one from scratch in Python, before optimizing it using genetic algorithms. For automating the process, the book highlights the limitations of traditional hand-crafted features for computer vision and why the CNN deep-learning model is the state-of-art solution. CNNs are discussed from scratch to demonstrate how they are different and more efficient than the fully connected ANN (FCNN). You will implement a CNN in Python to give you a full understanding of the model. After consolidating the basics, you will use TensorFlow to build a practical image-recognition model that you will deploy to a web server using Flask, making it accessible over the Internet. Using Kivy and NumPy, you will create cross-platform data science applications with low overheads. This book will help you apply deep learning and computer vision concepts from scratch, step-by-step from conception to production. What You Will Learn Understand how ANNs and CNNs work Create computer vision applications and CNNs from scratch using Python Follow a deep learning project from conception to production using TensorFlow Use NumPy with Kivy to build cross-platform data science applications Who This Book Is For Data scientists, machine learning and deep learning engineers, software developers.

RoboCup is an international initiative devoted to advancing the state of the art in artificial intelligence and robotics. The ultimate, long range goal is to build a team of robot soccer players that can beat a human World Cup champion team. This is the first book devoted to RoboCup. It opens with an overview section presenting the history of this young initiative, motivation, the overall perspectives and challenges, and a survey of the state of the art in the area. The technical paper section presents the state of the art of the interdisciplinary research and development efforts in details, essentially building on the progress achieved during the RoboCup-97 Workshop. The team description contributions discuss technical and strategic aspects of the work of the participating teams.

Declarative languages have traditionally been regarded by the mainstream computing community as too impractical to be put to practical use. At the same time, traditional conferences devoted to declarative languages do not have issues related to practice as their central focus. Thus, there are few forums devoted to discussion of practical aspects and implications of newly discovered results and techniques related to declarative languages. The goal of the First International Workshop on Practical Aspects of Declarative Languages (PADL) is to bring together researchers, practitioners and implementors of declarative languages to

discuss practical issues and practical implications of their research results. The workshop was held in San Antonio, Texas, during January 18-19, 1999. This volume contains its proceedings. Fifty three papers were submitted in response to the call for papers. These papers were written by authors belonging to twenty one countries from six continents. Each paper was assigned to at least two referees for reviewing. Twenty four papers were finally selected for presentation at the workshop. Many good papers could not be included due to the limited duration of the workshop. The workshop included invited talks by Mark Hayden of DEC/Compaq Systems Research Center, speaking on "Experiences Building Distributed Systems in ML," and Mark Wallace of Imperial College Center for Planning And Resource Control (IC-PARC), speaking on "ECLIPSe: Declarative Specification and Scalable Implementation."

Practical Tips in Urology is a compact, illustrated reference which provides the reader with practical tips and advice in managing day-to-day urological issues encountered in a clinical setting. This book draws on practical experience and offers useful information that is often lacking in didactic textbooks of urology and in journal articles. Practical Tips in Urology provides tips in dealing with urological emergencies, elective surgery and common outpatient consultation problems, among other things. Written by experts in the field, Practical Tips in Urology is key reading for all practicing urologists and residents in training.

Design, build, and simulate complex robots using the Robot Operating System

Key Features*

- Become proficient in ROS programming using C++ with this comprehensive guide*
- Build complex robot applications using the ROS Noetic Ninjemys release to interface robot manipulators with mobile robots*
- Learn to interact with aerial robots using ROS

Book Description

The Robot Operating System (ROS) is a software framework used for programming complex robots. ROS enables you to develop software for building complex robots without writing code from scratch, saving valuable development time. Mastering ROS for Robotics Programming provides complete coverage of the advanced concepts using easy-to-understand, practical examples and step-by-step explanations of essential concepts that you can apply to your ROS robotics projects. The book begins by helping you get to grips with the basic concepts necessary for programming robots with ROS. You'll then discover how to develop a robot simulation, as well as an actual robot, and understand how to apply high-level capabilities such as navigation and manipulation from scratch. As you advance, you'll learn how to create ROS controllers and plugins and explore ROS's industrial applications and how it interacts with aerial robots. Finally, you'll discover best practices and methods for working with ROS efficiently. By the end of this ROS book, you'll have learned how to create various applications in ROS and build your first ROS robot.

What you will learn*

- Create a robot model with a 7-DOF robotic arm and a differential wheeled mobile robot*
- Work with Gazebo, CoppeliaSim, and Webots robotic simulators*
- Implement autonomous navigation in differential drive robots using SLAM and AMCL packages*
- Interact with and simulate aerial robots using ROS*
- Explore ROS pluginlib, ROS nodelets, and Gazebo plugins*
- Interface I/O boards such as Arduino, robot sensors, and high-end actuators*
- Simulate and perform motion planning for an ABB robot and a universal arm using ROS-Industrial*
- Work with the motion planning features of a 7-DOF arm using MoveIt

Who this book is for

If you are a robotics graduate, robotics researcher, or robotics software professional looking to work with ROS, this book is for you. Programmers who want to explore the advanced features of ROS will also find this book useful. Basic knowledge of ROS, GNU/Linux, and C++ programming concepts is necessary to

get started with this book.

Owen Bishop introduces, through hands-on project work, the mechanics, electronics and programming involved in practical robot design-and-build. The use of the PIC microcontroller throughout provides a painless introduction to programming whilst harnessing the power of a highly popular microcontroller used by students and design engineers worldwide. This is a book for first-time robot builders, advanced builders wanting to know more about programming robots and students in Further and Higher Education tackling microcontroller-based practical work. They will all find this book a unique and exciting source of projects, ideas and techniques, to be combined into a wide range of fascinating robots. · Full step-by-step instructions for 5 complete self-build robots · Introduces key techniques in electronics, programming and construction - for robust robots that work first time · Illustrations, close-up photographs and a lively, readable text make this a fun and informative guide for novice and experienced robot builders

This book provides an overview of advanced manufacturing technology in Japan. It describes the prevalent manufacturing engineering concepts and highlights the current applications, technologies and systems in Japanese manufacturing industry.

Recent advances in technology and instrumentation, mean that robot-assisted surgery has become increasingly established as an alternative to traditional open surgeries. This book is a practical guide to robotic surgery, beginning with an overview of the techniques and anaesthesia, highlighting the vital role played by anaesthetists in early patient recovery. The following sections cover all major surgical subspecialties including, general surgery, thoracic and vascular, gynaecological, urogynaecological, and paediatric and adult urology. The text is highly illustrated with clinical images and tables, and is further enhanced by an interactive DVD ROM demonstrating robotic surgical procedures including sleeve gastrectomy, rectopexy, hysterectomy, hernia repair, and much more. Key points Practical guide to robotic surgery covering all major subspecialties Provides overview of techniques and anaesthesia Highly illustrated with clinical images and tables Includes interactive DVD ROM demonstrating robotic surgical procedures

* Teaches the concepts of behavior-based programming through text, programming examples, and a unique online simulator robot * Explains how to design new behaviors by manipulating old ones and adjusting programming * Does not assume reader familiarity with robotics or programming languages * Includes a section on designing your own behavior-based system from scratch

Learning how to build and program your own robots with the most popular open source robotics programming frameworkAbout This Book* Get to know the fundamentals of ROS and apply its concepts to real examples* Learn how to write robotics applications without getting bogged down in hardware problems* Learn to implement best practices in ROS development Who This Book Is ForThis book is for robotic enthusiasts, researchers and professional robotics engineers who would like to build robot applications using ROS. It gives the robotics beginner and the ROS newbie an immensely practical introduction to robot building and robotics application coding. Basic knowledge of GNU/Linux and the ability to write simple applications is assumed, but no robotics knowledge, practical or theoretical, is needed.What You Will Learn* Control a robot without requiring a PhD in robotics* Simulate and control a robot arm* Control a flying robot* Send your robot on an independent mission* Learning how to control your own robots with external devices* Program applications running on your robot* Extend ROS itself* Extend ROS with the MATLAB Robotics System ToolboxIn DetailROS is a robust robotics framework that works regardless of hardware architecture or hardware origin. It standardizes most layers of robotics functionality from device drivers to process control and message passing to software package management.But apart from just plain functionality, ROS is a great platform to learn about robotics itself and to simulate, as well as actually build,

your first robots. This does not mean that ROS is a platform for students and other beginners; on the contrary, ROS is used all over the robotics industry to implement flying, walking and diving robots, yet implementation is always straightforward, and never dependent on the hardware itself. ROS Robotics has been the standard introduction to ROS for potential professionals and hobbyists alike since the original edition came out; the second edition adds a gradual introduction to all the goodness available with the Kinetic Kame release. By providing you with step-by-step examples including manipulator arms and flying robots, the authors introduce you to the new features. The book is intensely practical, with space given to theory only when absolutely necessary. By the end of this book, you will have hands-on experience on controlling robots with the best possible framework. Style and approach ROS Robotics By Example, Second Edition gives the robotics beginner as well as the ROS newbie an immensely practical introduction to robot building and robotics application coding. ROS translates as "robot operating system"; you will learn how to control a robot via devices and configuration files, but you will also learn how to write robot applications on the foundation of this operating system.

Robotics for Engineers provides introductory but detailed study of robot design, installation and maintenance. It caters to the needs of the students by emphasizing the practical utility of robot in the field of engineering, science and technology. The book introduces the science and engineering of robotics and provides in-depth coverage of mechanical and electrical manipulation. For every topic, the fundamental mathematical concepts and analytical tools required to develop the relevant theory, algorithms and programming have been discussed sufficiently. ACL programming has been used for developing the robot programming. In the current form, this book is useful for undergraduates, postgraduates and research scholar students for their course and research projects.

Publisher's Note: Products purchased from Third Party sellers are not guaranteed by the publisher for quality, authenticity, or access to any online entitlements included with the product. MASTER ROBOT PROGRAMMING WITH YOUR OWN FREE VIRTUAL 'BOT! This ingenious book/Web site partnership teaches the skills you need to program a robot -- and gives you a virtual robot waiting online to perform your commands and test your programming expertise. You don't need to know either robotics or programming to get started! Using an intuitive method, Robot Programming deconstructs robot control into simple and distinct behaviors that are easy to program and debug for inexpensive microcontrollers with little memory. Once you've mastered programming your online 'bot, you can easily adapt your programs for use in physical robots. Though Robot Programming smoothes the path to acquiring skills in this arcane art, it does not reduce it to simplistics. With this resource, you can open the door to all the complexity, sophistication, versatility, and robustness that it is possible for robot behavior to exhibit. WHAT DO YOU WANT YOUR ROBOT TO DO? Robot Programming's hands-on approach to behavior-based robotics--

- * Teaches you intuitively, with a system that integrates explanation, code examples, and exercises using an online robot simulator
- * Demonstrates programming for mobile robots
- * Gives you the tools to combine sensors with robot skills
- * Shows you how to develop new robot behaviors by manipulating old ones and adjusting programming parameters
- * Provides examples of programming for object seeking, object avoidance, decision-making, and much more
- * Leads you to advanced strategies for designing your own behavior-based systems from scratch
- * Introduces the history and theory behind behavior-based programming
- * Requires no background in either programming or robotics

Start programming robots NOW! Learn hands-on, through easy examples, visuals, and code This is a unique introduction to programming robots to execute tasks autonomously. Drawing on years of experience in artificial intelligence and robot programming, Cameron and Tracey Hughes introduce the reader to basic concepts of

programming robots to execute tasks without the use of remote controls. Robot Programming: A Guide to Controlling Autonomous Robots takes the reader on an adventure through the eyes of Midamba, a lad who has been stranded on a desert island and must find a way to program robots to help him escape. In this guide, you are presented with practical approaches and techniques to program robot sensors, motors, and translate your ideas into tasks a robot can execute autonomously. These techniques can be used on today's leading robot microcontrollers (ARM9 and ARM7) and robot platforms (including the wildly popular low-cost Arduino platforms, LEGO® Mindstorms EV3, NXT, and Wowee RS Media Robot) for your hardware/Maker/DIY projects. Along the way the reader will learn how to: Program robot sensors and motors Program a robot arm to perform a task Describe the robot's tasks and environments in a way that a robot can process using robot S.T.O.R.I.E.S. Develop a R.S.V.P. (Robot Scenario Visual Planning) used for designing the robot's tasks in an environment Program a robot to deal with the "unexpected" using robot S.P.A.C.E.S. Program robots safely using S.A.R.A.A. (Safe Autonomous Robot Application Architecture) Approach Program robots using Arduino C/C++ and Java languages Use robot programming techniques with LEGO® Mindstorms EV3, Arduino, and other ARM7 and ARM9-based robots.

This book consists of 18 chapters divided in four sections: Robots for Educational Purposes, Health-Care and Medical Robots, Hardware - State of the Art, and Localization and Navigation. In the first section, there are four chapters covering autonomous mobile robot Emmy III, KCLBOT - mobile nonholonomic robot, and general overview of educational mobile robots. In the second section, the following themes are covered: walking support robots, control system for wheelchairs, leg-wheel mechanism as a mobile platform, micro mobile robot for abdominal use, and the influence of the robot size in the psychological treatment. In the third section, there are chapters about I2C bus system, vertical displacement service robots, quadruped robots - kinematics and dynamics model and Epi.q (hybrid) robots. Finally, in the last section, the following topics are covered: skid-steered vehicles, robotic exploration (new place recognition), omnidirectional mobile robots, ball-wheel mobile robots, and planetary wheeled mobile robots.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the seven workshops co-located with the 14th International Conference on Practical Applications of Agents and Multi-Agent Systems, PAAMS 2016, held in Sevilla, Spain, in June 2016. The 37 full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 77 submissions. The volume presents the papers that have been accepted for the following workshops: Workshop on Agents and Multi-Agent Systems for AAL and e-Health; Workshop on Agent-Based Solutions for Manufacturing and Supply Chain; Workshop on MAS for Complex Networks and Social Computation; Workshop on Decision Making in Dynamic Information Environments; Workshop on Intelligent Systems for Context-based Information Fusion; Workshop on Multi-Agent based Applications for Smart Grids and Sustainable Energy Systems; Workshop on Multiagent System based Learning Environments.

This new edition brings surgeons fully up to date with the latest developments and technologies in laparoscopic and hysteroscopic gynaecological surgery. Beginning with the history, instruments and training of endoscopy, each chapter focuses on a different

condition, presenting surgical procedures in a step by step process, as well as possible complications. The second edition includes new chapters on ovarian tumours, ectopic pregnancy and tubal surgery, as well as an up to date reference list. Written by an extensive author and editor team from Europe, the USA and Canada, this practical manual features nearly 750 full colour images and illustrations, and includes four interactive DVD ROMs demonstrating surgical procedures described in the book. Key points New edition presenting latest developments in laparoscopic and hysteroscopic gynaecological surgery Includes new chapters on ovarian tumours, ectopic pregnancy and tubal surgery Extensive author and editor team from Europe, USA and Canada Includes nearly 750 colour images and illustrations and four interactive DVD ROMs Previous edition published in 2006

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Your one-stop guide to the Robot Operating System About This Book Model your robot

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Take your ROS skills to the next level by implementing complex robot structures in a ROS simulation Key Features Learn fundamental ROS concepts and apply them to solve navigation tasks Work with single board computers to program smart behavior in mobile robots Understand how specific characteristics of the physical environment influence your robot's performance Book Description Connecting a physical robot to a robot simulation using the Robot Operating System (ROS) infrastructure is one of the

most common challenges faced by ROS engineers. With this book, you'll learn how to simulate a robot in a virtual environment and achieve desired behavior in equivalent real-world scenarios. This book starts with an introduction to GoPiGo3 and the sensors and actuators with which it is equipped. You'll then work with GoPiGo3's digital twin by creating a 3D model from scratch and running a simulation in ROS using Gazebo. Next, the book will show you how to use GoPiGo3 to build and run an autonomous mobile robot that is aware of its surroundings. Finally, you'll find out how a robot can learn tasks that have not been programmed in the code but are acquired by observing its environment. You'll even cover topics such as deep learning and reinforcement learning. By the end of this robot programming book, you'll be well-versed with the basics of building specific-purpose applications in robotics and developing highly intelligent autonomous robots from scratch. What you will learn

- Get to grips with developing environment-aware robots
- Gain insights into how your robots will react in physical environments
- Break down a desired behavior into a chain of robot actions
- Relate data from sensors with context to produce adaptive responses
- Apply reinforcement learning to allow your robot to learn by trial and error
- Implement deep learning to enable your robot to recognize its surroundings

Who this book is for If you are an engineer looking to build AI-powered robots using the ROS framework, this book is for you. Robotics enthusiasts and hobbyists who want to develop their own ROS robotics projects will also find this book useful. Knowledge of Python and/or C++ programming and familiarity with single board computers such as Raspberry Pi is necessary to get the most out of this book.

This book is an introduction to the foundations and methods used for designing completely autonomous mobile robots. Readers are introduced to the fundamental concepts of mobile robotics via twelve detailed case studies which show how to build and program real working robots. The book provides a very practical introduction to mobile robotics for a general scientific audience, and is essential reading for practitioners and students working in robotics, artificial intelligence, cognitive science and robot engineering.

Want to develop novel robot applications, but don't know how to write a mapping or object recognition system? You're certainly not alone, but you're not without help. By combining real-world examples with valuable knowledge from the Robot Operating System (ROS) community, this practical book provides a set of motivating recipes for solving specific robotics use cases. Ideal for wide range of robot enthusiasts, from students in robotics clubs to professional robotics scientists and engineers, each recipe describes a complete solution using ROS open source libraries and tools. You'll not only learn how to complete the task described in the recipe, but also how to configure and recombine the components for other tasks. All recipes include Python code. No robot hardware is required to get started, just experience with Python and Linux. This book is appropriate for undergraduate and graduate students in introductory robotics courses.

Discover the difference between making a robot move and making a robot think. Using Mindstorms EV3 and LeJOS—an open source project for Java Mindstorms projects—you'll learn how to create Artificial Intelligence (AI) for your bot. Your robot will learn how to problem solve, how to plan, and how to communicate.

Along the way, you'll learn about classical AI algorithms for teaching hardware how to think; algorithms that you can then apply to your own robotic inspirations. If you've ever wanted to learn about robotic intelligence in a practical, playful way, *Beginning Robotics Programming in Java with LEGO Mindstorms* is for you. What you'll learn: Build your first LEGO EV3 robot step-by-step Install LeJOS and its firmware on Lego EV3 Create and upload your first Java program into Lego EV3 Work with Java programming for motors Understand robotics behavior programming with sensors Review common AI algorithms, such as DFS, BFS, and Dijkstra's Algorithm Who this book is for: Students, teachers, and makers with basic Java programming experience who want to learn how to apply Artificial Intelligence to a practical robotic system.

The field of robotics in a classroom context has seen an increase in global momentum recently because of its positive contributions in the teaching of science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM) and beyond. It is argued that when robotics and programming are integrated in developmentally appropriate ways, cognitive skill development beyond STEM can be achieved. The development of educational robotics has presented a plethora of ways in which students can be assisted in the classroom. *Designing, Constructing, and Programming Robots for Learning* highlights the importance of integrating robotics in educational practice and presents various ways for how it can be achieved. It further explains how 21st century skills and life skills can be developed through the hands-on experience of educational robotics. Covering topics such as computational thinking, social skill enhancement, and teacher training, this text is an essential resource for engineers, educational software developers, teachers, professors, instructors, researchers, faculty, leaders in educational fields, students, and academicians.

This proceedings volume highlights the latest achievements in research and development in educational robotics, which were presented at the 8th International Conference on Robotics in Education (RiE 2017) in Sofia, Bulgaria, from April 26 to 28, 2017. The content will appeal to both researchers and educators interested in methodologies for teaching robotics that confront learners with science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) through the design, creation and programming of tangible artifacts, giving them the chance to create personally meaningful objects and address real-world societal needs. This also involves the introduction of technologies ranging from robotics controllers to virtual environments. In addition, the book presents evaluation results regarding the impact of robotics on students' interests and competence development. The approaches discussed cover the whole educational range, from elementary school to the university level, in both formal as well as informal settings.

Designed for beginners, undergraduate students, and robotics enthusiasts, *Practical Robot Design: Game Playing Robots* is a comprehensive guide to the theory, design, and construction of game-playing robots. Drawing on years of

robot building and teaching experience, the authors demonstrate the key steps of building a robot from beginning to end, with

This is the second text of a series that focuses on developments in robotics and intelligent systems, and provides insight, guidance, and specific techniques for those concerned with the design and implementation of robotics and intelligent system applications.

Want to develop novel robot applications, but don't know how to write a mapping or object-recognition system? You're not alone, but you're certainly not without help. By combining real-world examples with valuable knowledge from the Robot Operating System (ROS) community, this practical book provides a set of motivating recipes for solving specific robotics use cases. Ideal for enthusiasts, from students in robotics clubs to professional robotics scientists and engineers, each recipe describes a complete solution using ROS open source libraries and tools. You'll learn how to complete tasks described in the recipes, as well as how to configure and recombine components for other tasks. If you're familiar with Python, you're ready to go. Learn fundamentals, including key ROS concepts, tools, and patterns Program robots that perform an increasingly complex set of behaviors, using the powerful packages in ROS See how to easily add perception and navigation abilities to your robots Integrate your own sensors, actuators, software libraries, and even a whole robot into the ROS ecosystem Learn tips and tricks for using ROS tools and community resources, debugging robot behavior, and using C++ in ROS

This book consolidates the current state of knowledge on implementing cooperating robot-based systems to increase the flexibility of manufacturing systems. It is based on the concrete experiences of experts, practitioners, and engineers in implementing cooperating robot systems for more flexible manufacturing systems. Thanks to the great variety of manufacturing systems that we had the opportunity to study, a remarkable collection of methods and tools has emerged. The aim of the book is to share this experience with academia and industry practitioners seeking to improve manufacturing practice. While there are various books on teaching principles for robotics, this book offers a unique opportunity to dive into the practical aspects of implementing complex real-world robotic applications. As it is used in this book, the term "cooperating robots" refers to robots that either cooperate with one another or with people. The book investigates various aspects of cooperation in the context of implementing flexible manufacturing systems. Accordingly, manufacturing systems are the main focus in the discussion on implementing such robotic systems. The book begins with a brief introduction to the concept of manufacturing systems, followed by a discussion of flexibility. Aspects of designing such systems, e.g. material flow, logistics, processing times, shop floor footprint, and design of flexible handling systems, are subsequently covered. In closing, the book addresses key issues in operating such systems, which concern e.g. decision-making, autonomy, cooperation, communication, task

