Drones and Autonomous Systems Lab (DASL@UNLV)

DARwIn-OP Introduction [DASL-104] Summer/2017

Syllabus

Part 1: Course Information

Instructor Information

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Course Description

DARwIn-OP (Dynamic Anthropomorphic Robot with Intelligence-Open Platform) is a miniature-humanoid-robot platform with advanced computational power, sensors, and dynamic motion. Throughout this course you will learn the physics as well as programing basis embedded onto this powerful humanoid.

Prerequisite

- Basic Ubuntu commands
- C++

Course Requirements

- Laptop with (Ubuntu 14.05 or higher)
- Ubuntu must have VNC (VNC viewer) & Webots installed

Course Structure

*This is a lab-based course which focuses on the manipulation and maintenance of DARwIn-OP and OP2. This course will be divided in four sections. Each section has its goal to be achieved at the end of the section. Furthermore, it will be discussed about the dynamics and physics beyond the DARwIn-OP humanoid.

Online Resources

http://support.robotis.com/en/product/darwin-op.htm

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Part 2: Topic Outline/Schedule

- Week 01: DARwIn-op Overall Overview
 - System requirements and limitation.
 - Turning on and off Darwin-OP(Safely manners)
 - Connect DARwin OS throughout VNC
 - o Inverted-Pendulum model
 - DARwin's kinematics

Week 02: DARwin-op servos (Dynamixel)

- Understanding Dynamixel motors
- Introduction to Robo-Plus
- Calibrating Dynamixels
- Using Dynamixel Wizard

Week 03: DARwin-OP code & Simulation

- Understanding DARwin-OP codes
- Navigating at Darwin's directory
- Executing demos
- Walking Tuner
- o Introduction to Webots

Week 04: Programing a new motion

- Introduction to action editor
- Create a new movement (e.g DARwin-OP throw a baseball)
- Executing DARwin-op throughout the code.

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Part 3: Grading Policy

Graded Course Activities

Points	Description	
Homework #1	TBD	
Homework #2	TBD	
Homework #3	TBD	
Final Practical Exam	TBD	
100	Total Points Possible	

Letter Grade Assignment

Final grades assigned for this course will be based on the percentage of total points earned (by weekly home-works and Final practical exam) and are assigned as follows:

Letter Grade	Percentage	Performance
Α	93-100%	Excellent Work
A-	90-92%	Nearly Excellent Work
B+	87-89%	Very Good Work
В	83-86%	Good Work
B-	80-82%	Mostly Good Work
C+	77-79%	Above Average Work
С	73-76%	Average Work
C-	70-72%	Mostly Average Work
D+	67-69%	Below Average Work
D	60-66%	Poor Work
F	0-59%	Failing Work