Special Issue

Navigation and Perception for Mobile Robots

Message from the Guest Editors

Mobile robots have become increasingly essential across a wide range of applications, from industrial automation to autonomous vehicles and personal assistants. A key factor in their success is their ability to navigate and perceive their environment effectively. This Special Issue explores the latest developments in navigation and perception for mobile robots. Navigation focuses on the algorithms and systems that enable robots to move efficiently and safely through dynamic environments, while perception involves the technologies that allow robots to interpret and understand the world around them.

Recent advances have significantly improved robots' capabilities in tasks such as simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM), obstacle avoidance, and path planning, even in complex, uncertain environments. New sensor technologies, including LiDAR, cameras, and radar, have contributed to more precise and reliable perception.

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