



Recent Developments in Machine Design, Automation and Robotics

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The competitiveness of companies in the global market highly depends on the efficiency of industrial processes, which rely on technologically advanced machines and equipment. Moreover, through the extensive use of automation and robotics, it is possible to attain the required product quality, production flexibility to adapt to new product references, production rate, and low fabrication costs. Throughout time, automation and robotics became the best way to achieve the goals of the market. Therefore, these technologies are subject to continuous evolution, constantly presenting new solutions. Major advances and developments were recently experienced, both academically and industrially, with emphasis on the following:

- Collaborative robotics (cobots)
- Advanced control systems in automation
- Additive manufacturing for machine design
- Smart factory and Industry 4.0
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