Robot Transformations and Sensors

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Abstract

These paper presents the overview of robotics sensors. Science of developing and studying robots that are either entirely or in some mimicking human actions, or where human ends and robots begins is called anthrobotics . Robots play impact able role in field of computer science, medical , technology , industries so on, as well as the sensors play major in it . without sensors and computer programming contribution robots/machines is just a dummy thing. Why have we classified robotics...? Its just to understand were exactly these sensors have to be installed internal to the robot. If it is external sensors it has to be installed externally to the robot some of the main sensors have been mentioned below.

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Introuction

Robotics is overlapping of science, engineering technology that produces machines called robots that substitute for human actions. Programmable machines are built that can assist human and machines or mimic like humans. In 2005, 90% of all the robots could be found assembling cars in auto moto factories these robots mainly consists of robotics arms tasked with screwing on certain parts of cars even robot assist every facet healthcare.

Goal of the robotics

Is to design intelligent machines that can help and assist humans in their day to day lives .Robotics, design, construction and use of machines to perform task done traditionally by human beings. Robots are widely used in such industries as automobile manufacture to perform tasks.

Conceptualization for Robotics
Quintessential knowledgebase for the design and functioning of robotics system

- Dynamic system modelling and analysis

- Feedback control

- Sensors and signal conditioning

- Actuators(muscles) and power electronics

- Hardware/computer electronics

- Computer programming

Sensors

Robot sensors significant role in steering a robot in a particular manner. Whether it is autonomous, semi-autonomous or remotely supervised by a human being. Sensors are used to estimate a robot's ailment and environment .These signals are promulgated to a controller to enable appropriate behavior. These sensors help a robot or a machine to transmit to the external world , or control its own internal systems . Since it is difficult to use biological sensors , robots use electromechanical sensors that measures a physical quantity and convert it into a signal that can be analyzed for further action. In short sensor is a device which transforms a physical quantity into the electrical segment.

Physical change → SENSOR → output signal

Characteristics of sensors

Dynamic range : The ratio lower and upper limits, usually in decibels.

Rang : Difference between min and max

Resolution : Minimum difference between two values

Linearity : Variation of output signals as function of the input signals

Bandwidth or frequency : The speed with which a sensor can provide a stream of interpretation.

Sensitivity: Ratio of output transformation to input change

Accuracy: It shows how close the output of the sensor is the predicted the value. For a predetermined input, certain expected output value is related to how close the sensor output value is this value.

Classification of sensors

Based on power source

Active sensors and passive sensors

Based on means of detection used in a sensor

Means of detection are electrical, biological , chemical , radioactive etc…

Based on conversion phenomenon

A common phenomenon is photo electric , thermo-electric , electromagnetic etc

Based on output

Digital sensors and Analog sensors

Analog Sensor vs Digital sensors

Analog sensors produce continues output signal which is generally proportional to the quantity being measured . Physical Analog sensors produce continues output signal which is generally proportional to the quantity being measured . Physical quantities such as temperature, speed , pressure, displacement are all analog quantities. The digital sensor produces discrete output signal that is a digital representation of the quantity being measured. Digital sensors produces a binary output from a logic "1"or a "0"(on or off).

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Internal / Proprioceptors

Internal sensors are inwardly mended and used to measure position, velocity and acceleration of the robot combined with the termination efforts.

1. Position sensor

Position sensor basically transforms the position into an electrical segment. Position sensors can determine the position of an object in a straight line using Linear sensors or its angular motion Rotational sensors. Relative position measured from a constituted mention aspect (These will move by detected by position or movement of an object).These sensors have wild applications, for example: Elevators use position sensors to detect that elevator has been properly positioned on or not.

Encoder: A digital optical device that alters motion into a progression of digital pulses. Potentiometer: Converts mechanical displacement into a voltage difference.

Linear variable differential transformer: LVDT is an electromechanical sensor used to measure linear displacement. A motion of the object LVDT is covered converted into a corresponding electrical signal displacement transducer that provides high accuracy. It generates an AC signal whose magnitude is a function of the displacement of a moving car.

2. Velocity sensors

A velocity or speed sensor measures consecutive position measurements at known intervals and computes the time rate of change in the position values .

3. Acceleration Sensors

The accelerometer is an electromechanical device that converts mechanical forces such as motions,

Vibrations, and shock into an electrical signal that can be measured and recorded. Piezoelectric accelerometers most widely used in vibration sensors to see the peak efficiency to check the vibration level to be monitored to see the machines are operating.

There are many piezoelectric components one thing which is mainly common is piezoelectric element . In vibrational sensors piezoelectric element is linked to a wave called sensor mass where it is known as a spring mass system in a sensor.

SPRING MASS SYSTEM
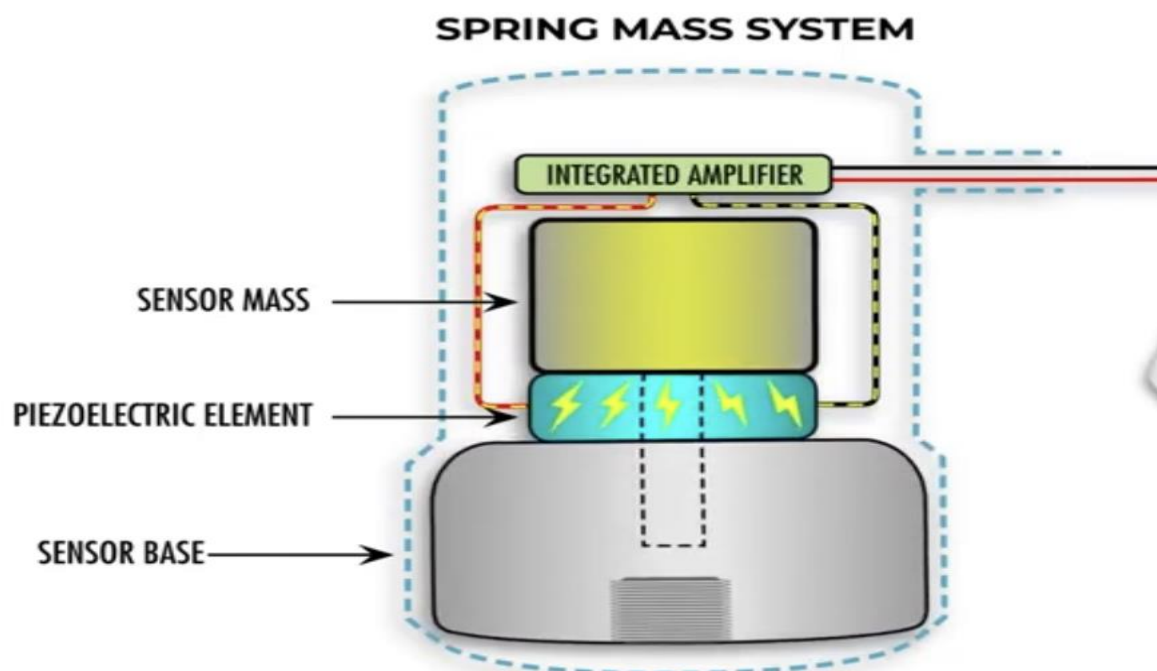
When vibration is enforced to the system through the base the mass produces vibrations or force to element, which produce a electrical charge proportional to the vibration velocity and frequency. An integrated amplifier converts into a usable voltage signal which can be read by the vibration meter , because of this frequency response, good sensitivity rating and easy installation . Piezoelectric accelerometer can be found in many industrial and scientifical application such as measuring low frequency vibration in robotics, automotive application detecting in engines , even earthquakes, so on .

b) External / Exteroceptors sensors

External Sensors which are being externally placed, observations of robot environment, objects in it receive information in the adjacent environment.

1. Contact sensors

Contact sensors must produce a signal at the instant when a robot hand comes into touch with a solid object . They may be used to control the stop or the slowing motion of the hand at short distance from the object ;in these cases it can be proximity type.

a) Tactile sensors

Act a skin for the robot. Tactile sensors provide the robot with the potential to respond to contact forces between itself and other objects within its work volume. Tactile sensors can be divided into two types: Touch sensors , stress sensor.
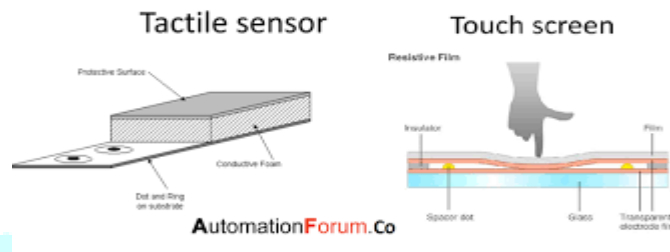
Touch sensors area unit used merely to indicate whether contact has been created with associate object. A simple micro switch can act the purpose of a touch sensor. Stress sensors are used to measure the dimension of the contact force.

a) Slip sensors

These sensors are used to specify the contact made by the external objects and also determines the force of the contact.

b) Force sensor:

Force sensor is very much important in robot to be installed just behind the end effector. Based on force what it is getting it can understand whether the part has been assembled properly or not. In robots these sensors are used to measure the reaction forces developed in the joint and wrists.

b) Non contact sensors

No physical contact with the object or environment

a) Range sensor:

Range sensors are Mainly used to measure the distance between a reference point on the robot and the objects present in its workspace. These sensors use photoelectric devices to determine the distance. Range object is calculated as d. eye of the robot is called as the range sensor to detect at what distance the object is present .

$$d = b \tan \theta$$

b) Proximity sensor

Proximity sensors are accustomed sense when one object is on the point of another object. On a robot, the proximity sensors would be placed nor close to the end effectors. This sensing capability are often engineered by means of optical proximity devices, eddy-current proximity detectors, magnetic field sensors, or different devices. In robotics, proximity sensors might be accustomed indicate the presence or absence of a work part or different object. they might even be useful in preventing injury to the robots human coworkers within the industrial plant..

Optical or Infrared Light-Based sensors

This is one in every of the areas that is receiving plenty of attention in robotics analysis processed visions systems will be a crucial technology in future automatic factories. Robot vision is created doable by means that of video camera a sufficient light source and a computer programmed to process image information. The camera is mounted either on the robot or in a mounted position above the robot in order that its field of vision includes the robot work volume. The computer package enables the vision system to sense the presence of an object and its position and orientation. Vision capability would modify the robot to hold out the subsequent sorts of operations. Retrieve components that are {random|indiscriminately|haphazardly|willy-nilly|arbitrarily|at random|every which way} Oriented on a conveyor acknowledges specific components that are intermixed with different objects Perform assembly operations which need alignment. Another highly regarded methodology uses projected technique waves, sometimes infrared, to discover obstacles. This method projects a pulse of light and appears foin the reflection. Properties of the mirrored light are analyzed to work out characteristics regarding the item detected. Lightweight has the benefits of traveling very quick, allowing quick device time interval, high resolution, and fewer error to account for. Lightweight from this kind of device

is usually shaped into a slim beam or repeatedly a optical device the advantages. This provides smart resolution over massive distances.

c) Voice sensors

Another area of robotics research is voice sensing or voice programming. Voice programming can be defined as the oral communication of commands to the robot or other machine. Voice sensors could be useful in robot programming to speed up the programming procedure just as it does in NC programming. It would also be beneficial in especially in hazardous working environments for performing unique operations such as maintenance and repair work. The robot could be placed in hazardous environment and remotely commanded to perform the repair chores by means of step by step instructions.

Conclusion

Robotics sensors are the main thing in machines, robot are able to feel and see like humans using sensors. There are a lot of classification of sensors. Classification of robots are just to understand were exactly these sensors to be installed., if its internal sensors are to be installed externally. If its external sensors have to installed external so that when it comes in contact with a particular product, then it can sense it. There are lot of classification comes under each of these sensors.

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