

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2008 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

iRobot

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

My main goal was to build a robot that commands by my voice. I also wanted to learn how to put together electronic components using a soldering iron, static mat, and other electronic devices. I wanted to also learn how to write a program.

Methods/Materials

Mark III Robot Kit(ooPIC)

Firefly Bluetooth RS-232 Adapter

Apple Laptop

Speech Recognition-Mac Based

ooPIC Software Development Tool(IDE)

Parallels (To Run Windows for IDE)

MacOS (Unix)

Static Mat

Tool Kit

Soldering Iron

Batteries

Results

After assembling all the parts I tested the unit and found out that there was a short were I solderered. After I fixed the problem the green LED light came on indicating that all parts where working. Then I had to upload a program into the robot. When everything was finished I had to test everything all together. When I said forward it would go forward in a circle and when I said back it would go back in a circle. This was because the servo motors where not aligned. Using a screwdriver I aligned the servo motors. The project was finished.

Conclusions/Discussion

I learned several things. I learned a handy phrase to remind me how to read the values of resistors. I also learned about Ohms law. I learned what speech recognition is. I also learned a little programming in C language. I learned about basic electricity.

Summary Statement

I built a voice activated robot.

Help Received

Teacher helped with Robot assembly and software program.