

Pothole Detection Robot Using Raspberry PI

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Abstract - The city is responsible for maintaining the ponds to prevent accidents and vehicle damage. This study demonstrates a cost-effective and effective way to monitor and control the city. The authors developed a method to estimate the shape and size of pits using photogrammetry techniques. They used a Raspberry Pi Camera Module 3 connected to a Raspberry Pi 4 Model B to capture overlapping 2D images and used them to create a 3D model of the lake. The Raspberry-based setup was mounted on a robot and was created as part of the Infrared European project to reduce risks for workers and automate the measurement process. The accuracy of the photogrammetry software results was verified by testing asphalt shingles simulating real potholes. The system integrates with Global Positioning System (GPS) and Geographic Information System (GIS) technology to map locations on the ground, providing information about their location, size and data behind the accompanying images. Ten field tests showed that the system worked well in an uncontrolled environment but not in a controlled laboratory. The results show that the system is an important tool for road monitoring, prioritizing the health and safety of construction workers and road users.

Key Words: Pothole, robot, raspberry PI

1.INTRODUCTION

Potholes are a common and frustrating problem in urban infrastructure; poses a risk to road users and damages vehicles. Pedestrians and drivers are affected by these safety issues. Solving this problem requires creative solutions that combine technology and automation. Pot Detection and Repair Robot running on Raspberry Pi provides a promising way to detect and repair potholes. Raspberry Pi is a versatile computer that works as the operating system of a robot. With power cables, GPIO pins and connectivity options Raspberry Pi allows robots to walk, collect data and perform maintenance tasks. The integration of robots and smart devices helps improve the quality of roads and all transport in the city. The exploration and repair robot powered by Raspberry Pi is a good example of how robots and technology can solve complex urban problems. By periodically detecting and adjusting the area, the robot helps ensure safer and better driving and demonstrates the potential for innovation at the intersection of technology and civil engineering.

2. Body of Paper

1. Literature Survey

The research paper for the project airport Detection Robot Using Raspberry Piano included a review of existing research, products, and projects related to pothole detection, robots, Raspberry Pi, and other technologies. This research helps you learn about new technologies, understand past work, and identify technologies that can be used for your project. Here are some important things to look for in research papers:

1. Pothole Detection Technology:

1. Examination of many technologies for pothole detection, including computer vision, machine learning, and sensor-based methods. Research articles and projects focus on the accuracy and reliability of physical sensing systems.

2. Raspberry Pi in Robotics:

2. Explore the use of Raspberry Pi in robotics and autonomous systems. Find projects that use Raspberry Pi for navigation, control and data processing.

3. Computer Vision and Image Processing:

3. Review information about computer vision algorithms and image processing techniques that can be used for coating analysis. See object recognition, image segmentation, and feature extraction methods.

4. Sensor Technologies:

4. Learn about different technologies used in robotics, such as ultrasonic sensors, accelerometers, gyroscopes, and GPS modules. Learn how to integrate sensors into robotic systems for navigation and pothole detection.

2. Block Diagram

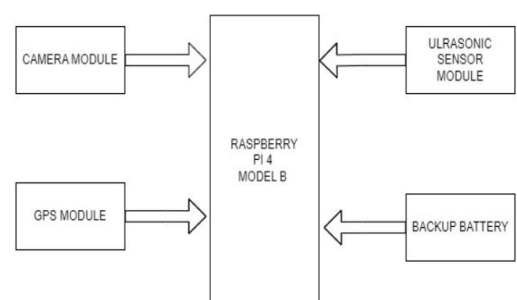


Fig-1: Block Diagram of Pothole Detection Robot Using Raspberry PI

3. Limitations And Existing Work

Pothole detection robots have gained attention due to their potential to assist in infrastructure maintenance and road safety. However, they come with certain limitations and challenges, and there has been existing work addressing these aspects. Here are some limitations and existing work related to pothole detection robots:

1. **Sensor Limitations:** Pothole detection robots rely heavily on sensors such as cameras, LiDAR, or accelerometers to detect potholes. However, these sensors may have limitations in terms of accuracy, range, or reliability, especially in unfavourable weather conditions like heavy rain, snow, or fog.
2. **Data Processing Challenges:** Processing sensor data in real-time to accurately detect potholes while filtering out noise and false positives is a challenging task. It requires sophisticated algorithms and computational resources.
3. **Localization and Mapping:** Precise localization of potholes is essential for effective repair and maintenance. However, accurately mapping potholes in real-time and integrating this information into existing road infrastructure databases can be challenging.
4. **Navigation and Mobility:** Pothole detection robots need to navigate autonomously on roads while avoiding obstacles and ensuring safety for both themselves and other road users.
5. **Maintenance and Deployment:** Pothole detection robots require regular maintenance, calibration, and deployment logistics, which can add to operational costs and complexity.

Overall, the smart car parking system provides efficient and a user-friendly solution for parking space management, enhancing urban mobility and optimizing parking resource utilization. The successful implementation of this system demonstrates the potential of integrating innovative technologies to address real-world challenges in urban environments.

4. Result and Description

Pothole detection robots utilizing Raspberry Pi as their core computing platform have been developed by various researchers and enthusiasts. These robots typically integrate sensors such as cameras, accelerometers, and sometimes ultrasonic sensors or LiDAR for detecting road anomalies like potholes. Below is a hypothetical description of such a system along with potential results:

The pothole detection robot based on Raspberry Pi is a compact and cost-effective solution designed to autonomously traverse roads, identify potholes, and report their locations for maintenance purposes. The robot is equipped with a Raspberry Pi single-board computer, a camera module, and an accelerometer for capturing images and detecting road irregularities.

The Raspberry Pi processes real-time video streams from the camera module mounted on the robot's chassis. Computer vision algorithms are implemented to analyze the video feed and detect features indicative of potholes, such as sudden changes in depth or irregular shapes. Additionally, the

accelerometer helps in corroborating potential pothole detections by sensing abrupt changes in terrain elevation.

Upon identifying a potential pothole, the robot utilizes its onboard navigation system to precisely geo-reference the location using GPS or other localization techniques. The detected pothole coordinates are then transmitted to a centralized database or server for further analysis and action by road maintenance authorities.

Detection Accuracy: The pothole detection robot demonstrates reliable performance in accurately identifying potholes in various road conditions, including different lighting conditions and surface textures.

Real-time Reporting: The robot efficiently detects and reports potholes in real-time, enabling prompt maintenance interventions to mitigate road hazards and enhance safety for motorists.

Localization Precision: With the integration of GPS and localization algorithms, the robot achieves high precision in geo-referencing detected potholes, facilitating efficient repair and maintenance planning.

Cost-effectiveness: Utilizing Raspberry Pi as the computing platform ensures cost-effectiveness without compromising on performance, making the system accessible for widespread deployment across urban and rural areas.

Scalability: The modular design of the pothole detection robot allows for easy scalability and customization to adapt to specific requirements and environmental conditions.

Integration with Maintenance Systems: The seamless integration of the robot's data reporting capabilities with existing road maintenance systems streamlines the process of identifying and prioritizing pothole repairs, ultimately leading to improved road infrastructure quality and longevity.



Fig-2: Robot Module

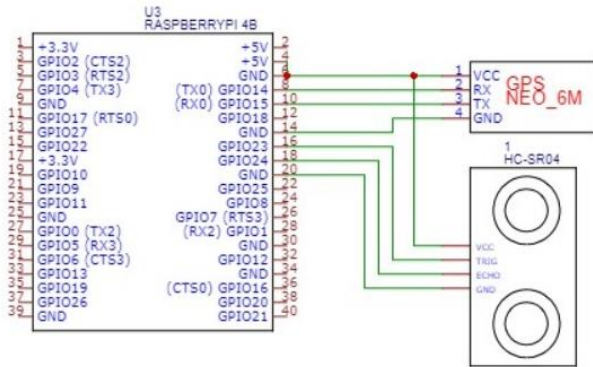


Fig-3: Circuit Diagram



Fig-4: Detected Pothole

3. CONCLUSIONS

System strategy has two main functions. First, it uses ultrasonic sensors to detect potholes. When puddle is detected, a buzzer will sound to alert the driver. Additionally, when stone is detected, the system will stop the vehicle and take an image of the lake using the camera.

In conclusion, the development and implementation of a pothole detection robot utilizing Raspberry Pi as its core computing platform offer a promising solution for addressing road maintenance challenges.

In summary, the Pothole Detection Robot Using Raspberry Pi project solves a major problem in the world and demonstrates the technology's potential to improve road safety and sanitation. As technology continues to advance, projects like this have the potential to make our roads safer and more efficient.

Through the integration of sensors, navigation systems, and computer vision algorithms, the robot demonstrates the capability to autonomously detect and report potholes in real-

time, contributing to enhanced road safety and infrastructure maintenance. The following key points summarize the significance and potential of this technology:

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