Course 6. Robotics & AI

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Contents of Modules of Robotics & Al

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1.	Introduction to Robotics and Robot Simulators	Introduction to Robotics: Robot Manipulators, Mobile Robots, Legged Robot, Aerial Robots, Applications. Components and mechanisms of a robotic system, sensors and actuators. Introduction to Manipulator, Coordinate System, classification, reachable and dexterous space, Forward and Inverse kinematics, DH Parameter Velocity Kinematics. Hands on : Robot Simulation Software, Tutorials on Coordinate systems and Robot Kinematics : Webots, RoboAnalyzer	
2.	Kinematics, Dynamics and Control	Mobile robots and their kinematics, Holonomic and Non-holonomic robots. Basics of trajectory planning, configuration space and dimension. Linear and nonlinear robot control: Feedback and motion control, Path Planning and Obstacle Avoidance in known and unknown environment. Intelligence path planning. Hands on : Practice on Webots for Trajectory Planning using different types of robots	
3.	Artificial Intelligence and Robotics	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning. Artificial Neural Networks and Fuzzy logic. Vision based planning and control, Learning based motion planning, Hands on : Implementation of ANN and Fuzzy logic for motion planning and simulation, Implementing on hardware using Raspberry Pi boards.	
4.	More on Al and Machine Learning: Reinforcement Learning	Introduction to Reinforcement Learning, Tabular Solution Methods – Multi-armed Bandits, Finite Markov Decision Processes, Dynamic Programming, Monte Carlo Methods, Temporal Difference Learning.	
5.	Applications, Research Directions and Case Studies	Research directions, and case studies. Mobile robotics – multi-terrain robots, humanoid robots. Biped locomotion; Applications in Agriculture, and Social robotics. Brain Computer Interface (BCI) and gesture control Hands on – Simulation of robot tasks and motion planning, Industrial manipulators and motion planning and hardware implementation.	

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