

SERVICE ROBOT FOR QUALITY CHECK IN THE RELIABILITY LABORATORY OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES



Objective:

To free the operator from repetitive operations and routine checks in reliability labs and to improve the quality check of the WMs.

Once a WM has been connected (from an electrical and hydraulic point of view) the operator has only to push the start button every time the cycle has been completed and to check if the WM is working properly.



The mobile robot has to:

- move in front of the machines
- identify the machines
- acquire some quantities
- associate the measurements to the machine
- analyze the acquired data compared with reference values in order to check the behaviour of the machines



Sensors positioned on the robot:

- a camera to be used also for the checking of the front panel of the machine
- a force transducer in order to measure the force necessary to push the button (to be positioned on a special tool)
- a set of microphones in order to acquire the noise emitted by the machine
- an **infrared camera** in order to measure temperature of some parts of the machine
- •a laser vibrometer to measure WM vibrations



Challenges:

- Navigation and perception in an unstructured environment
- Manipulation and physical interaction with the real world
- Human-Robot interaction
- Safety for operation near humans
- Fusion of multimodal sensor data and analysis
- Perception, categorisation, interpretation and decision making



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