

Equipment and solutions for technical education and vocational training



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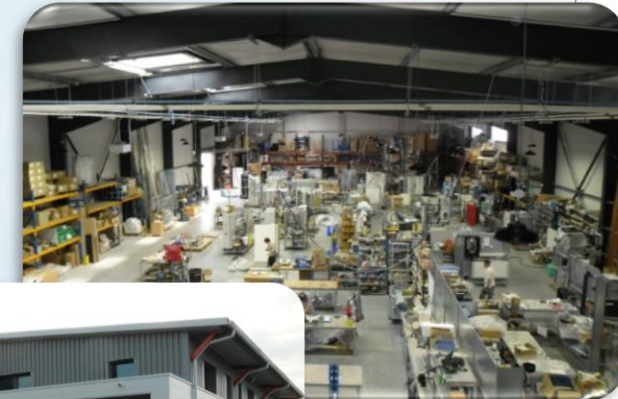
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Electronics & Communication

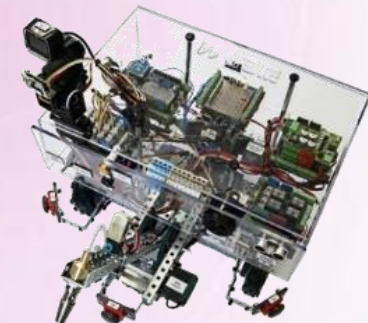


NAO Humanoid Robot & Sub-systems for mechatronics



Token dispenser with embedded PC

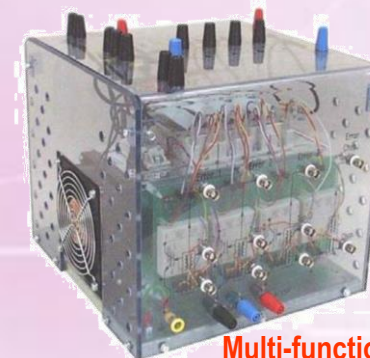
Instruments, tools and data acquisition : See pages I8 to I9



Electronics Prototyping Projects



NI USRP Universal Software Radio Peripheral –
Training platform for digital wireless communications



Multi-function power electronic converters –
Multi-function IGBT or diode & thyristor converters
with close control and protection

NAO Humanoid Robot



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Features:

- ♦ **Audio** (4 microphones and 2 loudspeakers)
- ♦ **Video** (2 HD cameras 1200 x 960)
- ♦ **Inertial unit** (3-axis accelerometer, and 2-axis gyrometer) and **Sonars**
- ♦ **Sensors** (pressure FSR, bumpers, tactile)
- ♦ **Servo-motors** (**coreless motors with hall effect sensors**)
- ♦ **Grip** (prehensile hands with 3 operable fingers)
- ♦ **Intel Atom 1.6 GHz CPU with 1 GB RAM and 8 GB Micro SDHC (text-to-speech, Image and voice recognition...)**
- ♦ **WiFi and Ethernet modules**
- ♦ **Lithium-ion battery** (90 minutes autonomy)



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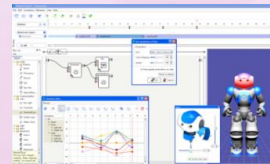
Training activities:

- ♦ Functional analysis and **SysML** description
- ♦ Information chain architecture
- ♦ Study of **motion** and **communication**
- ♦ Study of **controllers** used on NAO
- ♦ **Development and testing of new algorithms** (eg: sight...)
- ♦ Project: Develop applications for NAO, **invent missions for NAO**
- ♦ Project: Design **software architecture** for activities (eg: NAO monitors a room)

Key points:

- ♦ Motivating and fun for students, and a **medium of communication** for the institution
- ♦ Open environment (Software suite for programming and data logging...)

➤ **Reference:** **AR//H25-EA:** NAO humanoid Robot with SDK, Choregraphe, Monitor, 10 licenses - **AR//SW-CSDK-U:** Software suite Choregraphe, Monitor, SDK, site license - **AR//SW-WNAO:** Webots software for NAO, 1 license - **AR//SW-WNAO10:** Webots software for NAO, 10 licenses



Choregraphe programming software



Webots 3D simulation software

Training system for NAO Foot + Ankle control

Features:

- ♦ **Mechanical transmissions** (gears, gear reducer...)
- ♦ **Motors (DC motors)**
- ♦ **Sensors (magnetic position sensors)**
- ♦ **SPI electronic bus**

Training activities:

- ♦ Studying a **DC / DC static converter**
- ♦ Influence of a **PI corrector**
- ♦ **Model of pitch behavior**
- ♦ Impact of **sensor position on control**

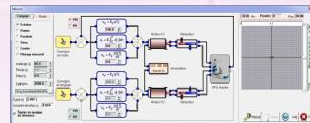
Key points:

- ♦ Ideal resource to teach about design and **servo control** for biaxial systems
- ♦ **Viewer software** for **communication with and control** from a PC
- ♦ **Electronic diagrams** to study constructive solutions

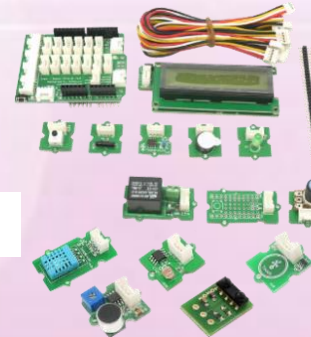
➤ **Reference:** **NA11:** Training system for NAO "Foot + Ankle" control - **PR09:** USB Logic Analyzer (to see the frames running on the SPI electronic bus)

Compatible with
the "Motors & Motion
Lab" bench

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NAOtronics Detection



Features:

- ♦ **FSR pressure sensors**
- ♦ **MRE position sensors**
- ♦ **Inertial measurement unit**
- ♦ **Ultrasonic (sonar) sensors**
- ♦ **Infrared sensors**
- ♦ **Mechanical contact (shock) sensors**
- ♦ **Capacitive (touch) sensors**
- ♦ **Sound (microphone) sensors**
- ♦ **Arduino UNO development pack**

Training activities:

- ♦ **Analysis of sensors in an inertial measurement unit:** accelerometer and gyroscope
- ♦ **Analysis of ultrasonic sensors for distance**
- ♦ **Analysis of FSR force sensors**
- ♦ **Analysis of MRE angular position sensors**

Key points:

- ♦ Ideal training support for studying multi-physics technology solutions and developing skills and knowledge in a training module
- ♦ **Electronic diagrams** for studying constructive solutions using sensor behavior patterns

➤ **References:** **NA15+PR00+PR30+PR31+PR32:** NAOtronics « Detection » pack - **DR10:** Humanoid finger (NAOtronics Motorization pack) - **PR00+PR10+PR11+PR18:** NAOtronics « Communication » pack - **PR09:** USB Logic Analyzer (to see the frames running on the SPI electronic bus)

NAOtronics Motorization



Features:

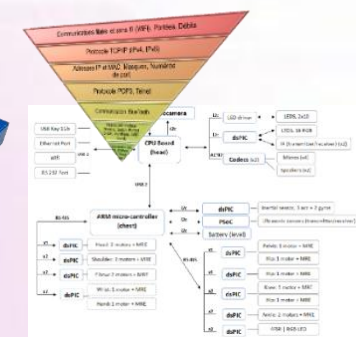
- ♦ **DC motor with reducer**
- ♦ **Servo motor**
- ♦ **Electric cylinder**
- ♦ **Humanoid finger**
- ♦ **Arduino and Raspberry Pi boards, to control the actuators**
- ♦ **Human-Machine Interface (LCD screen, keyboard...)**

Training activities:

- ♦ Studying the mechanical connections, kinematics, mechanical transmissions, motors and control
- ♦ **SED programming in Python** on Raspberry Pi and Arduino on microcontroller



NAOtronics Communication



Features:

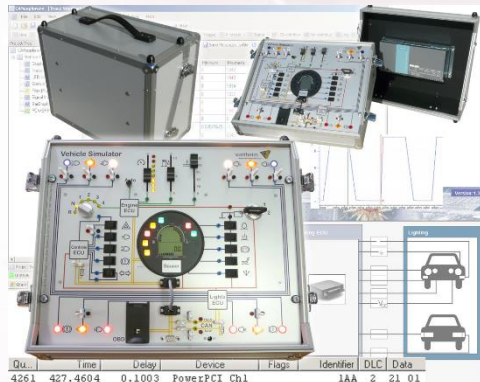
- ♦ **SPI/I2C communication**
- ♦ **RS485/CAN communication**
- ♦ **Ethernet communication**
- ♦ **WiFi communication**
- ♦ **Arduino UNO development pack**

Training activities:

- ♦ **Study and analysis of the main protocols**
- ♦ **Communication: analyzing/modelling and experimenting on the information chain**
- ♦ **Experimenting with different network technologies**



Embedded electronic system for vehicles – Studying and commissioning an embedded industrial PC for vehicle simulation with data reporting



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Features :

- ♦ **Communications bus (CAN)**
- ♦ Communication components (converters, ECU device)
- ♦ **Embedded PC** (Microbox Siemens)
- ♦ Automotive sensors & actuators (starting, gasoline, lighting, speed...)
- ♦ Simulation & diagnostic software (CAN Explorer, Microbox software)

Training activities :

- ♦ Situation scenario & introduction to system operation
- ♦ Installation, commissioning and connection
- ♦ **Analyzing the electrical signal** of the control panel
- ♦ **Digital signal analysis** of the CAN bus
- ♦ **Hardware and software configuration** of the embedded PC
- ♦ System diagnostics

Key points:

- ♦ Multi-scenario open platform for the study of embedded systems
- ♦ Configuring and commissioning an industrial embedded PC
- ♦ Conduct studies and obtain theoretical measurements (Software) & physical measurements (Measuring points on terminals)
- ♦ Compact system

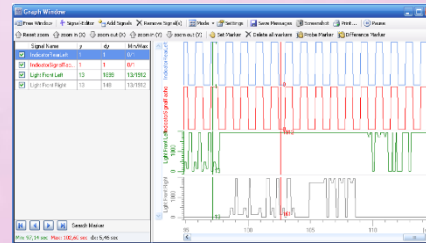
➤ **References:** **VH10:** Embedded electronic system for vehicles – **VH11:** Unit for configuring and commissioning an Embedded Microbox PC (Included: 1 Microbox and 24V power supply, 1 Vehicle simulation application, 1CAN Explorer software, 1 CAN/PC converter PC104) – **VH12:** Microbox Embedded PC (without software) for Hardware and OS installation



Embedded PC



View of simulator



CAN Explorer software

Token dispenser with embedded PC - Studying a token dispenser and its embedded electronics

Features:

- ♦ **Communications bus** (Profinet, Wifi)
- ♦ Communication components (gateways, WiFi access point, SIP telephone, PABX, router)
- ♦ **Embedded PC** (Microbox Siemens, inverter)
- ♦ Human Machine Interface (**colour touch-screen**)
- ♦ Electronic sensors (inductive coil, brightness, impact...)
- ♦ Actuators (micro-motors, lighting, voice, alarm...)
- ♦ Security (video monitoring, alarm control, RFID access control)
- ♦ Programming and configuration software (WinAC RTX, WinCC Flexible)

Training activities:

- ♦ Situation scenario and introduction to system operation
- ♦ Installation, commissioning and connection
- ♦ Integration and commissioning of extensions
- ♦ **Networking non communication-capable equipment**
- ♦ System adjustment and configuration
- ♦ **Software configuration of the embedded PC**
- ♦ **Industrial WiFi configuration**
- ♦ Troubleshooting and Maintenance



Key points:

- ♦ This system may be used for **electrical certification**
- ♦ **Common "embedded" application**
- ♦ Technological diversity
- ♦ Upgradeable system enabling real interventions

➤ **Reference:** **DJ20:** Token dispenser with Embedded Siemens Microbox PC – **DJ12:** Automated lighting and vandal-resistant kit (Optional)– **DJ13:** Voice guidance kit (Optional) – **DJ15:** Kit for integrating a second dispenser for new token format (Optional) – **DJ16:** Industrial WiFi kit and video monitoring camera with software and recording on NAS server (Optional)



Touch-screen with embedded PC



Industrial WiFi access point



Change machine and token dispenser



DJ12: Option Automated lighting and vandal-resistant kit



DJ13: Option Voice guidance kit

Aerial imaging gimbal – Studies and projects on a 2-axis controlled gimbal mounted on a drone

> Features:

- Inertial measurement unit (accelerometer and gyroscope)
- Motorization & Energy (**brushless, DC and stepper motors, industrial motor controller board**)
- **Mechanical linkage** solutions
- Video and image processing (camera)
- **Real-time LabVIEW** control (MyRIO board)
- Communication (CAN bus)

> Training activities:

- Testing of **gimbal performance**
- Motorization impact on gimbal behavior
- **Behavior pattern of the controlled pitch axis** of the gimbal
- **Impact of axis balancing** on performance
- **Image control and recognition**
- Impact of **control sampling frequency**

- **Sensor impact** on gimbal performance
- Analysis of **coupling phenomena**
- Analysis of **gravity** (direction) **impact**
- **Power supply impact** on performance
- Designing a **camera stabilization system**
- Study of sensors (**accelerometer, gyroscope**)
- **Real-time LabVIEW** programming
- **Configuration of industrial motor controllers**
- Study and **configuration of a CAN bus**
- Projects: **Design of a third axis** (mechanical linkage – brushless, DC or stepper motor - **Arduino/Python** electronics and **programming**)



Video control camera

Compatible with the "Motors & Motion Lab" bench

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> Key points:

- Opportunity to **compare different technologies and motor powers**
- **Image analysis** and integration in the **position control loop**
- Opportunity to implement projects using a **third motorized axis**
- Control programming/modification in Python
- Two types of control: ① Embedded electronics ② Real-time industrial electronic platform, based on NI myRIO

> **References:** **NC10:** Aerial imaging gimbal – **NC10+NC15:** Aerial imaging gimbal with real-time video camera – **NC10+NC00+NC09:** Aerial imaging gimbal with real-time electronic platform (NI myRIO board and controller for 2 brushless motors) – **NC10+NC15+NC00+NC09:** Aerial imaging gimbal with video control camera and real-time electronic platform (NI myRIO board and controller for 2 brushless motors) – **NC11:** Gimbal with more powerful motors (Optional) – **NC15:** Video control camera – **NC16:** Third-axis motorization kit with brushless/DC/stepper motor controller (Optional) – **NC00+NC09:** Real-time electronic platform (NI myRIO kit and controller for 2 brushless motors)



Interface for configuration, measurement and image analysis with LabVIEW



Microwave educational bench & Antenna

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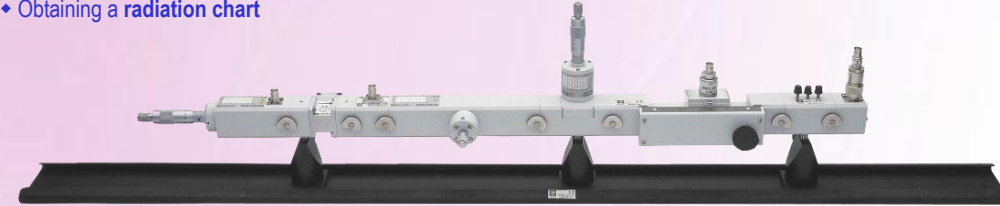


> Features:

- GUNN diode oscillator
- Ferrite isolator
- PIN diode modulator
- Micrometer attenuator
- Cavity wavemeter
- Measuring line
- Impedance adaptor
- Waveguide-to-coax transition element
- Adapted load
- Short-circuit platelet
- Guide support

> Training operations:

- Study of **microwaves** and of **guided electromagnetic wave propagation**
- Study of a **GUNN oscillator**
- Measurement of **impedance, wavelength, frequency** and **SWR** (standing wave ratio)
- Determination of a detector's quadratic law
- Study of **antennas** and of **free-space propagation of electromagnetic waves**
- 10 GHz energy **radiation method** by means of **various antennas**
- Study of **space attenuation** as a result of **wave polarization** and **gain measurement**
- Obtaining a **radiation chart**



Mounted bench with components

> Key points:

- **Rectangular waveguide** technology in accordance with the **R100/WR90 standard** covering a range between 8.5 and 9.6GHz
- **Clever assembly system** using EASYFIX™ quick fastening
- A range of **antennas** for studying **free-space propagation**
- **Training and tutorials** supplied



Add-on: SWR Indicator



Add-on: Microwave power meter

> **References:** **CA/BDHR100:** Microwave educational bench – There are many components and accessories for guided and free-space wave propagation and specific instrumentation – **Contact us.**

Optical fiber - Studying, implementing and testing FTTH (Fiber To The Home) networks

New

Features:

- Optical fiber connection (Fusion splicing or Cold welding)
- Installation control by reflectometry
- Connector inspection and cleaning
- Continuity test and photometry measurements
- Architecture and laying of FTTH networks
- Active network simulation

Training activities:

- Learning the basics of optical fiber and its applications in the residential, tertiary and industrial sectors

Optical fiber / Ethernet network:

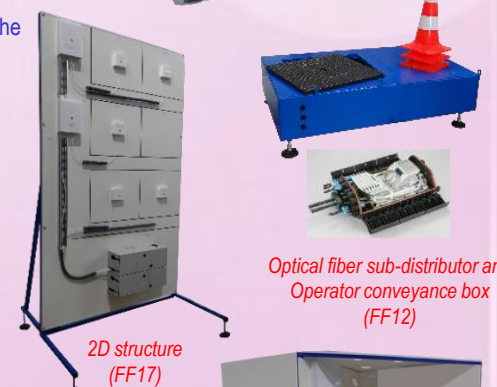
- Defining network architecture (ring, etc.) according to specifications
- Working with fiber and connectors
- Software addressing and configuration of switches
- Measurements and installation file (with appropriate tools)
- Communication tests

Video surveillance:

- Connecting and configuration of the IP/PoE camera
- Setting up supervision (alarm control) on software

Counting and remote control via PLC:

- Wiring and electrical connections
- Communication configuring
- Programming or modification of controller programs
- Development or modification of the supervision application



Optical fiber sub-distributor and Operator conveyance box (FF12)

2D structure (FF17)

3D structure (FF11)



Key points:

- Selection of materials that allows a **comprehensive approach of the different types of technologies, architectures and tools**
- Teaching guide** with procedures and tutorials

References: FF10: Optical fiber FTTH tool kit - FF20: Optical fiber FTTO tool kit - FF30: Urban monitoring and control networks kit ("industrial" optical fiber)

Measuring tools and instruments for optical fiber

Optical fiber connection (core- or clad-alignment fusion splicer and cleaver, mechanical splice kit, optical fiber technician tool kit)

Connector inspection and cleaning / Optical fiber visual or digital fault location – Optical link budgets (single- and multimode photometry kit, single- and multimode optical fiber reflectometer/OTDR)

Network qualification and certification (Ethernet and Optical fiber wiring and network qualifier, single- and multimode optical fiber certifier)

Fiber / Ethernet media converters

NI USRP Universal Software Radio Peripheral – Training platform for digital wireless communications

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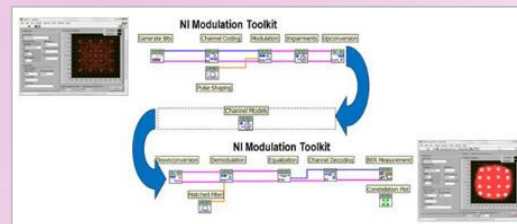
Features:

- Real-time communication with 2 RF transceivers from 50 MHz to 2.2 GHz (25 MHz bandwidth)
- Covering of the following frequency bands: ISM, FM, GPS, GSM, Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, ZigBee, Radars
- LabVIEW modulation toolkit
- High-speed analog-to-digital conversion (ADC) architecture
- Digital-to-analog conversion (DAC) architecture with FPGA

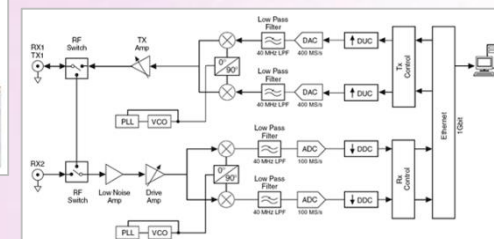


Training activities:

- AWGN (additive white Gaussian noise) simulator, modulation, demodulation, pulse shaping, energy detection, equalization, frame detection, frequency correction and synchronization, etc.
- Studying the **components of a digital communication modem**
- Design of an OFDM** (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing) **radio**
- Analysis of signals (dynamic spectrum management) and study of the **main wireless protocols**



LabVIEW toolkit



USRP architecture

Key points:

- Ideal for **experiments** on RF communications (tutorials provided)
- Increased productivity due to the **LabVIEW graphical measuring and programming interface**
- Teaching guide** for studying the components of a digital communication modem and designing an OFDM radio
- Software radio and RF enclosure enabling **full duplex communication**
- Integration of its own algorithms** in the software radio under LabVIEW

References: **NI//781908-01:** Set of 2 NI USRP-2920 software radios (50 MHz to 2.2 GHz covering ISM, FM, GPS, GSM and radar frequency bands) with accessories (MIMO cable, 30dB attenuator) and laboratory manual – **NI//781915-01:** Triple-band antenna 144, 400 and 1200MHz for USRP-2920 - **NI//781909-01:** NI USRP-2922 software radio (400 MHz to 4.4 GHz covering GNSS, Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, ZigBee frequency bands, other ISM applications and radar L band) with accessories and laboratory manual – **NI//781913-01:** Dual-band antenna 2.4-2.48GHz and 4.9-5.9GHz for USRP-2922 – **NI//782922-3502:** LabVIEW Academic Premium Suite (1 user) license

ErmaBoard – Electronics prototyping platform (control circuits, communication, sensors, HMI, robotics, multimedia)



Features:

- Electronic control (**microcontrollers, FPGA, ARM9...**)
- Power supply (battery, solar cell)
- Communication (**Ethernet, Bluetooth, RFID, Zigbee, GPS, WiFi, CAN...**)
- **Sensors** (temperature, accelerometer, proximity...)
- **Human-Machine Interface** (LCD, keyboard, voice recognition...)
- **Robotics/Mechatronics** (relays, servomotors, mobile robot chassis....)
- **Multimedia** (MicroSD card, JPEG imager, MP3 decoder...)
- **USB logic analyzer** for the study of serial protocols

Training activities:

- **Architecture of electronic control systems**
- **Principles of microcontrollers, FPGA and microprocessors (ARM9) operating principles** as well as their applications
- **Programming the microcontroller, FPGA, and microprocessor ARM9 with the provided libraries**
- **Communications protocols**
- **Prototyping electronic control systems**
- Project 1 : **Design and fabrication of a 2-wheel robot controlled by:**
 - 1 a human-machine interface on LabVIEW,
 - 2 a joystick (Nunchuk of the Wii console) and a LabVIEW or Arduino application,
 - 3 the Wiimote **accelerometer** (Wii console) and a LabVIEW application
- Project 2 : **Design, fabrication and commissioning a firefighter robot**
- **Other projects are available**

Resources for projects

Key points:

- **Electronic circuits compatible with modular systems**
- Ideal for **projects in the fields of electronics, information processing, communications and robotics**
- Provides introduction to and practice of **several programming languages** (graphics or text)
- May be studied with the **tutorial work provided, or as a resource for other instructional systems** (e.g. : Prototyping a motor control unit with motorized hinges or a 4-wheel vehicle for NAO robot ...)

Programming environment :



	Arduino IDE	Mimiblog	LIFA LabVIEW	Flowcode	MPLAB IDE	GCC	PhP	Python	Quartus II	Terminal
PR00 : Arduino UNO (Atmel Atmega)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
PR01 : Arduino compatible ERM (PIC 18)				✓	✓					
PR05 : Raspberry PI (ARM Cortex A7)						✓	✓	✓		
PR02 : FoxBoard (ARM9)						✓	✓	✓		
PR03 : FPGA Altera (Cyclone 4)									✓	
PR04 : Bus Pirate (PIC 24)										✓

Electronic control

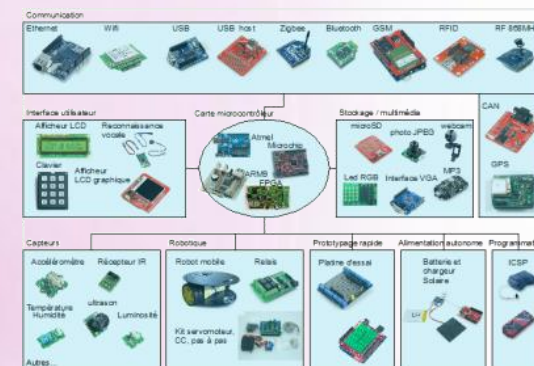
- PR00** Arduino UNO development kit (Atmel Microcontroller)
- PR01** Arduino, compatible ERM (PIC18 Microcontroller Microchip)
- PR05** Raspberry Pi development kit (ARM microcontroller)
- PR02** Foxboard development kit (ARM microcontroller)
- PR03** FPGA development board
- PR04** Interface board for components on bus i2c, SPI, UART (no programming)
- PR08** Kit with lithium-ion polymer battery and solar cell
- PR09** USB logic analyzer – Protocol analyzer CAN, SPI, I2C, RS232



PR10 – Ethernet kit

Communication

- PR10** Ethernet Kit
- PR11** Wi-Fi Kit
- PR12** USB device and USB host Kit
- PR13** Zigbee Kit
- PR14** Bluetooth Kit
- PR15** GSM Communications Module
- PR16** RFID Kit
- PR17** RF 868 MHz Kit
- PR18** CAN Communications Module
- PR20** GPS Kit
- PR21** NFC Kit



Sensors

- PR30** Sensor kit (temperature, brightness, infrared, capacitive sensing) with connectors
- PR31** Sensor kit with accelerometer, gyroscope, compass
- PR32** Sensor kit for distance, proximity and color detection



PR30 - Sensor Kit with connectors

Human-Machine Interface

- PR42** Speech recognition kit
- PR43** RGB led matrix
- PR44** LCD color display

Robotics

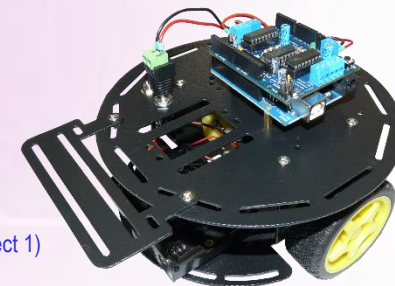
- PR50** 4-relay board with opto-isolated control
- PR51** Servo and motor kit
- PR52** Chassis for 2-wheel robot with DC motor

Multimedia

- PR60** Storage on microSD card
- PR61** JPEG imager
- PR62** VGA Interface
- PR63** MP3 Decoder
- PR64** USB Webcam

Project kits

- PJ00** Project kit "Remote-controlled 2-wheel robot" (Project 1)



PJ00: Prototyping a 2-wheel robot

ErmaBoard Sensors & Motors pack – Study of motor control and sensor technologies

Features:

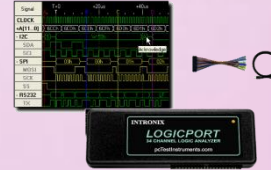
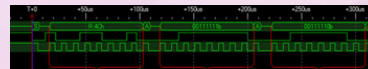
- **Microcontrollers** (Atmel/Arduino UNO or Microchip PIC18)
- **Human Machine Interface** (LCD display)
- **Sensors** (temperature, light, infrared, capacitive sensing, accelerometer, gyroscope, compass, distance, proximity, color detection, etc.)
- Mounting and **prototyping** breadboards
- **Motors** (DC, servomotor and stepper)

Training activities:

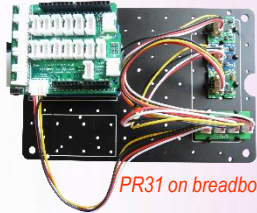
- Control of several motors (servomotors, DC, etc.)
- Sensor setup (accelerometer, ultrasound, color detection, etc.)
- Analysis of **communication protocols** (I2C, SPI, etc.)
- **Signal processing** and impact of sampling frequency on measurement accuracy



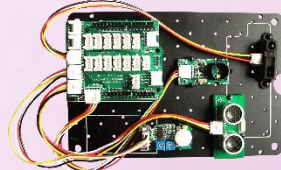
PR30 kit



PR09 USB logic analyzer



PR31 on breadboard



PR32 on breadboard

➤ **Key point:** Economical solution for learning sensor and motor technologies

➤ **References:** PR00+PR30+PR31+PR32+PR51: ErmaBoard Sensors & Motors – PR09: USB logic analyzer

ErmaBoard RFID / Bluetooth / ZigBee pack – Study of RFID, Bluetooth and ZigBee communication protocols

Features:

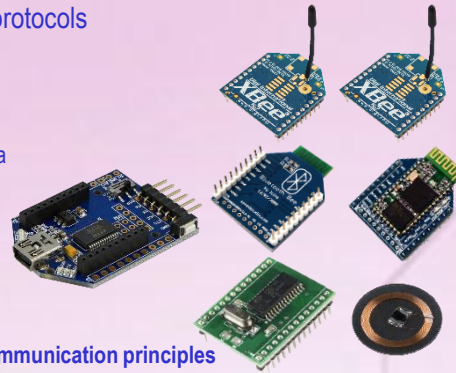
- Microcontrollers (Atmel/Arduino or Microchip PIC18)
- 2.4 GHz Zigbee radio communication
- 250 Kbps rate, 100 m transmission range, integrated antenna
- Bluetooth V2.0 communication / 3 Mbps ERD modulation
- 2.4 GHz band, -80 dBm sensitivity, UART interface
- RFID communication with an SM130 circuit of 13.56 MHz
- Compatible Mifare reader, encoder, I2C, UART output
- RFID label: 25 mm diameter, 0.7 mm thickness

Training activities:

- Study and **comparison of Bluetooth, ZigBee and RFID communication principles**
- Study of electronic circuits and communication protocols
- Signal recovery and analysis, **frame decoding** and protocol-related operations
- **Implementation of applications using Bluetooth, ZigBee communication**
- **Implementation of applications using RFID encoding**

➤ **Key point:** Economical solution for learning RFID, Bluetooth and Zigbee protocols

➤ **References:** PR00+PR13+PR14+PR16: ErmaBoard RFID / Bluetooth / ZigBee



ErmaBoard Wi-Fi & GSM pack – Study of Wi-Fi and GSM communication protocols

Features:

- Microcontrollers (Atmel/Arduino UNO or Microchip PIC18)
- Communication using a RN-171 circuit (Wi-Fi)
- 802.11 b/g radio Wi-Fi, 32-bit processor, TCP/IP stack, real-time clock
- Communication using a SIM900 circuit (GSM / GPRS)
- Four-band: 800/900/1800/1900 MHz, UDP / TCP protocol

Training activities:

- Study of the operation of GSM and Wi-Fi communication protocols
- Study of circuits and source code using Wi-Fi and GSM cards
- **SMS sending application**
- **Wi-Fi Hotspot creation** (Connectify software) and configuration (**WPA2 encryption**)
- Machine-to-machine (**M2M**) remote control application
- **Geolocation** application using PR20 and **GPRS** coupling

➤ **Key point:** Economical solution for learning protocols (Wi-Fi / GSM)

➤ **References:** PR00+PR11+PR15: ErmaBoard Wi-Fi & GSM



GSM



Wi-Fi

ErmaBoard Ethernet pack – Study of the Ethernet communication protocol

Features:

- Microcontrollers (Atmel/Arduino UNO or Microchip PIC18)
- Communication using an integrated Wiznet 5100 (Ethernet) circuit
- Micro-SD support
- LEDs indicating status: LINK, FULLD, 100M, TX, RX, COLL
- SPI communication using the microcontroller

Training activities:

- Studying the components and **architecture of an Ethernet network**
- Organization and communication protocols (**frame analysis**)
- Network securing
- Internet connection and communication (IP address, DHCP server, HTTP request, HTML page, etc.)
- Programming with implementation of various classes (Ethernet, IP Address, Server, Client, Ethernet UDP)

➤ **Key point:** Economical solution for learning the Ethernet protocol

➤ **References:** PR00+PR10: ErmaBoard Ethernet – PR09: USB logic analyzer



ErmaBoard GPS pack – Study of GPS geolocation

Features:

- Microcontrollers (Atmel/Arduino UNO or Microchip PIC18)
- GPS geolocation
- 66 channels and -165 dBm sensitivity
- Internal antenna and connector for external antenna (add-on)

Training activities:

- Study of **GPS principles** (triangulation methods, navigation, accuracy, etc.)
- Study of electronic circuits and of the GPS sensor
- Recovery and analysis of GPS reception signals, **frame decoding and operation**
- Analysis of the impact that the **number of satellite signals** has on **accuracy**
- **Structure improvement proposal** for better GPS signal reception

➤ **Key point:** Economical solution for GPS learning

➤ **References:** PR00+PR20: ErmaBoard GPS



Fire fighter robot – Multi-application assembly kit to design a fire fighter robot



Real situation

Features:

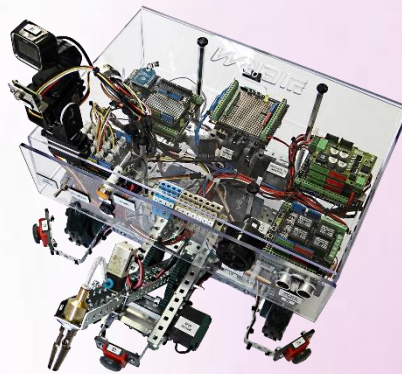
- ♦ Electronic control (microcontrollers, ARM9...)
- ♦ Power supply (battery)
- ♦ Communication (RF 868MHz, WiFi)
- ♦ Sensors (proximity, ultrasound, temperature...)
- ♦ Motors (CC, servo motors)
- ♦ Mechanics (chassis for mobile robot, VEX Robotics parts...)
- ♦ Multimedia (cameras...)

Training activities

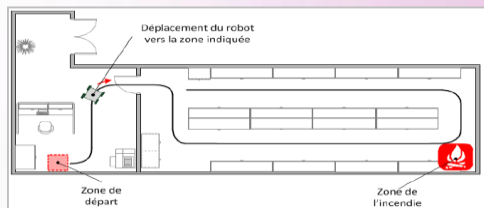
- ♦ Designing a 1/4 scale model of a fire fighter robot to study mechanics, electrical power and electronic controls
- ♦ Designing 6 project kits and the architecture of the whole robot in 7 two-person teams
- ♦ Designing and testing mechanical transmissions
- ♦ Prototyping 3D mechanical parts

Key points:

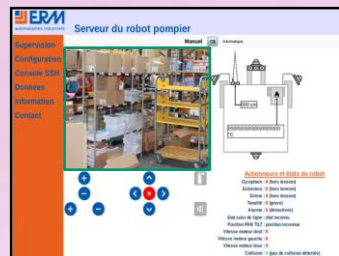
- ♦ Possibility of having up to 14 students in groups of 2 working on the project
- ♦ Project can be taken up and improved every year
- ♦ Large variety of assembly kits and parts for different constructive solutions
- ♦ Delivered with the “answers” (one solution is completely explained and functional)



Example of a possible solution



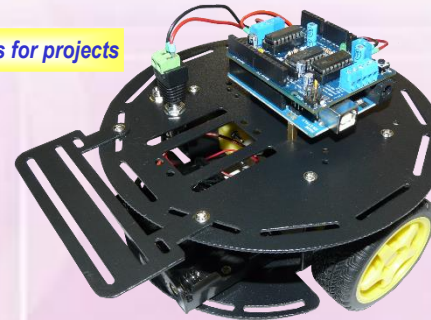
Specifications for the robot motion



Web server for robot control

Resources for projects

ErmaBoard Project - Electronics prototyping platform (control circuits, communication, sensors, HMI, robotics, multimedia)



PJ00: Prototyping of a two-wheeled robot

Features:

- ♦ Electronic control (microcontrollers, FPGA, ARM9, etc.)
- ♦ Power supply (battery, solar cell)
- ♦ Communication (Ethernet, Bluetooth, RFID, ZigBee, GPS, WiFi, CAN, etc.)
- ♦ Sensors (temperature, accelerometer, proximity, etc.)
- ♦ Human Machine Interface (LCD display, keyboard, voice recognition, etc.)
- ♦ Robotics/Mechatronics (relays, servomotors, frame for the mobile robot, etc.)
- ♦ Multimedia (microSD storage, JPEG imager, MP3 decoder, etc.)
- ♦ USB logic analyzer enabling the study of serial protocols

Training activities:

- ♦ Studying the architecture of electronic control systems
- ♦ Study and programming of microcontrollers, microprocessors (ARM9) and FPGA using the provided libraries
- ♦ Study of communication protocols
- ♦ Prototyping of electronic control systems
- ♦ Project 1: Design of a two-wheeled robot controlled by:
 - 1 a Human Machine Interface on LabVIEW,
 - 2 a Nunchuk joystick (Wii controller) and a LabVIEW or Arduino application,
 - 3 the Wiimote accelerometer (Wii controller) and a LabVIEW application
- ♦ Other projects are available



PR30 – Sensor kit with connection base

Key points:

- ♦ Family of interoperable electronic circuits that allow modular assembly resulting in a prototype control system
- ♦ Ideal for project activities in the fields of electronics, information processing, communications and robotics
- ♦ Provides introduction to and practice of several programming languages (graphics or text)
- ♦ The system may be studied with the tutorial work provided or as a resource for other instructional systems (e.g., prototyping the motor control unit of a motorized hinge, a 4-wheeled vehicle for the NAO robot, etc.)

Programming environments: See page G7

References: See page G7/G8 and the Fire Fighter Robot

Humanoid finger – Multi-technologies project

Features:

- ♦ Sensors, microcontrollers, HMI
- ♦ DC motor, servomotor, electric cylinder, mechanical transmissions

Training activities:

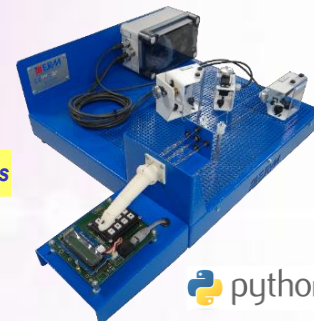
- ♦ Prototyping 3D mechanical parts (3D printing)
- ♦ SED programming in Python (Raspberry/Arduino)
- ♦ Projects: Create a motorized finger

Key points:

- ♦ Large variety of parts for different constructive solutions
- ♦ Assembly kit project with a correction

References: DR10: Humanoid finger

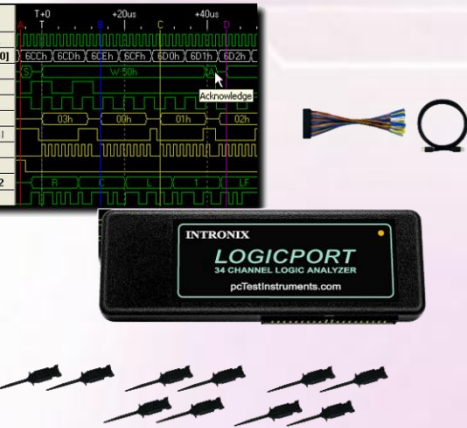
Resources for projects



Frame analyzer

Technical specifications:

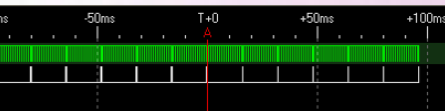
- Interpreted protocols: **RS232**, **RS485** asynchronous serial communication, **SPI** synchronous serial communication, **I2C** Inter-Integrated Circuit, CAN bus, 1-Wire bus, and more
- Number of sampled channels: **34**
- 500 MHz** timing mode (internal clock)
- 200 MHz** state mode (external clock)
- Built-in 300 MHz frequency counter
- Advanced multi-level triggering
- Adjustable logic threshold: +6 V to -6 V
- Real-time sample compression



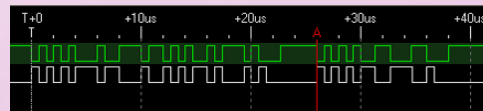
Key points:

- 34-channel / 500 MHz logic analyzer connected to a PC via USB.
- Frame interpreters for several protocols: UART, I2C, SPI, CAN

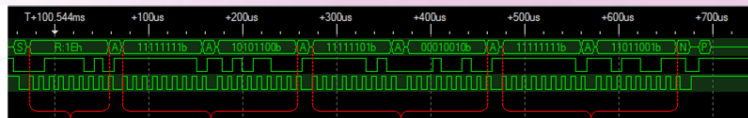
Reference: PR09: 34-channel logic analyzer



Sampling using data compression

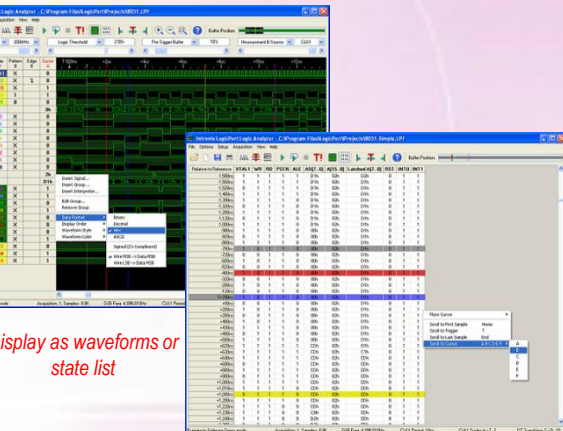


Zoom on some of the sampled data

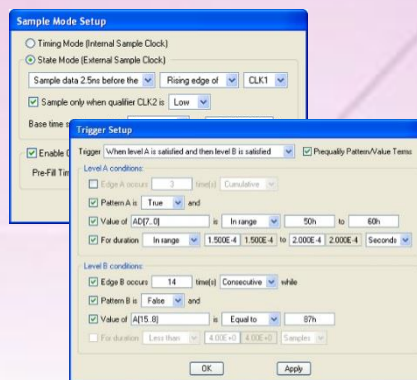


Accès au Composant (adresse 1E) en lecture X MSB & LSB Registres DataOutput Z MSB & LSB Registres DataOutput Z MSB & LSB

Example of I2C frame determination



Display as waveforms or state list



Configuration windows

Industrial command prototyping platform - Prototyping of control parts based on a real-time NI myRIO core and industrial motor controller boards



LabVIEW
Real-Time
Graphical Development,
Real-Time Results

CANopen

Features:

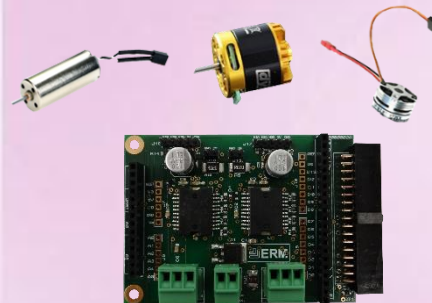
- Real-time LabVIEW control (myRIO board)
- Communication (CAN bus)
- Motorization & Energy (industrial controller for brushless, DC and stepper motors)
- Load measurement
- Video and image processing
- Inertial measurement unit (accelerometer and gyroscope)



Training activities and projects:

- Real-time programming in LabVIEW
- Motor controller board configuration
- Study and configuration of a CAN bus
- Experimental optimization of control parameters via autotune
- Integration of image analysis in a control system
- Project: System control design or upgrade (position, speed and load control)

Resources for projects



Controller board for brushless / stepper / DC motors



Video control camera



Programming and control interface with video feedback

Key points:

- The solution is open to development projects on your existing systems
- Examples of applications with LabVIEW files provided (Aerial imaging gimbal, Cable-driven robot)
- Compatible with C-Series boards from National Instruments (for upgrades and projects)

- References: NC00: National Instruments myRIO kit for real-time control and acquisition – NC09: Controller board for 2 brushless motors – NC08: Controller board for stepper, DC and brushless motors – NC01: CAN communication card for myRIO – NC15: Video control camera – NC20: S-beam load cell with signal conditioner – NC21: Inertial measurement unit with accelerometer and gyroscope – SQ11: 96 fps USB camera with configuration software (LabVIEW analysis) – SQ12: 500 fps USB camera

USB NI 6210 data logger – Temperature datalogging, 0/10V sensors, 0 to 500V voltage, amperage, constraint



Specifications:

- 8 Analog Inputs $\pm 10V$ (1- bits, 250 kS/s)
- 8 Digital Inputs/Outputs
- Two 32-bit counter/timers
- Software configuration for thermocouples
- Isolated input channels by external conditioners**
- User-friendly datalogging software (datalogging, display and analysis)

Types of measurable data and Conditioners:

- 0/10V sensors (without conditioner)
- AC and DC voltage: 0/500V (with AC and DC voltage input conditioner)
- AC and DC amperage (with AC and DC amperage conditioner)
- Other sensors (with conditioners)

Resources for projects



Key points:

- May be used on ERM systems and any other didactic system
- User-friendly data logging software: Sysma WinATS** (software in French)
- Possible interface with Labview (executable files supplied for ERM systems, Labview software)
- Possible use of Labview Signal Express, free data logging software
- Wide range of adjustable sensors and conditioners**

References: **AQ10** USB data logger – **AQ11** Differential voltage probe for USB data logger – **AQ12** AC current clamp for USB data logger – **AQ13** AC+DC current clamp for USB data logger – **AQ00** Sysma WinATS data logging software – Many conditioners and sensors are available

Data-logging and tele-monitoring unit



Technical specifications:

- Data-acquisition and logging box for any type of measurement
- 16 universal analog entries** (0/10V, 4/20mA with external shunt, PT1000, PT100, CTN...)
- Data export via **USB**, RS232 and Ethernet
- Tele-monitoring software** (49 variables, Web server, history, alerts...)

Training activities:

- Implementation of acquisition and tele-monitoring of thermal engineering systems
- Study of industrial communication solutions

Key points: Many I/O and communication possibilities

Reference: **MO21:** Data logger and tele-monitoring via Ethernet

Acquisition and control unit with NI 6009 input/output cards



Specifications of the USB acquisition and control unit:

- 8 analog input channels** $\pm 10V$ (14 bits, 48 kS/s)
- 2 analog output channels** 0-10V (12 bits, 150 S/s)
- 12 digital I/O**
- 32-bit counter**
- User-friendly acquisition software (data logging, visualization and analysis)

Types of measurable data and conditioners:

- 0/10V sensors (without conditioner)
- 0/500V AC and DC voltages (with AC/DC voltage conditioner)
- AC and DC current (with AC/DC current conditioner)
- Other sensors (with conditioners)

Resources for projects



Key points:

- Practical and cost-effective solution for interfacing your systems with LabVIEW**
- May be used with ERM systems, and any other training system
- Possible use of LabVIEW Signal Express (free acquisition software)
- Wide range of available sensors and measurement conditioners**

References: **DI15:** Acquisition and control unit with NI 6009 input/output cards – **AQ11:** Differential voltage probe for the USB data logger – **AQ12:** AC current clamp for the USB data logger – **AQ13:** AC+DC current clamp for the USB data logger – Many conditioners and sensors are available (contact us)

High-speed USB cameras - Image analysis and study of physical phenomena



Specifications:

- USB video camera (96fps or 500fps)
- Camera configuration software and examples of video processing on LabVIEW

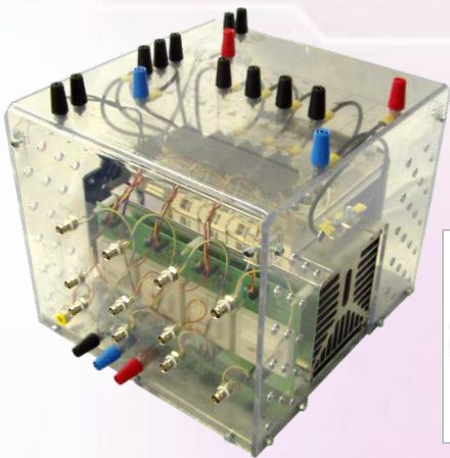
Training activities:

- Analysis of **motion, speed and acceleration** (studying free fall, a pendulum, etc.)
- Analysis of fluid motion and flow (**fluid mechanics**)
- Image analysis** (camera configuration, filters, shape recognition, etc.)

Key point: Easy to install and configure

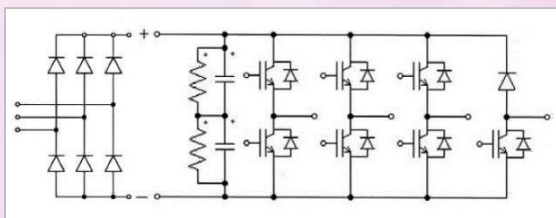
References: **SQ11:** 96fps USB camera with configuration software and examples of LabVIEW image analysis applications – **SQ12:** 500fps USB camera

Multi-function power electronic converters – Multi-function IGBT or diode & thyristor converters with close control and protection



➤ Features (IGBT):

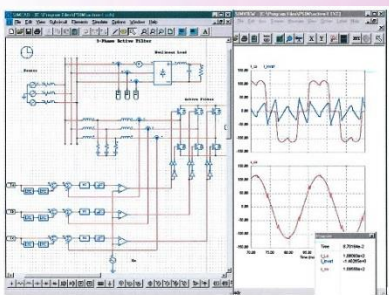
- ◆ 3x dual IGBT
- ◆ 1x IGBT chopper
- ◆ 1x three-phase diode rectifier module
- ◆ 1x 1100 μF / 800 Vdc capacitor bench
- ◆ Snubber capacitors
- ◆ 1x SKHI driver board



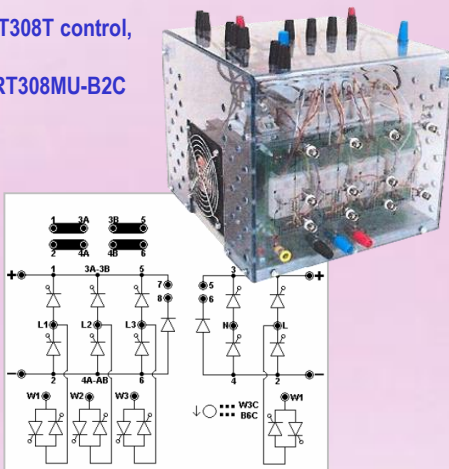
Architecture of the IGBT converter

➤ Features (thyristors):

- ◆ 1x three-phase system with thyristor module including RT308T control, freewheeling diode and snubber circuit
- ◆ 1x single-phase system with thyristor module including RT308MU-B2C control, freewheeling diode and snubber circuit



PSIM software



Architecture of the thyristor converter

➤ Training activities:

- ◆ Study of three-phase inverters with brake chopper
- ◆ Study of single-phase inverters
- ◆ Study of step-down (buck) and step-up (boost) converters
- ◆ Study of single-phase and three-phase rectifiers
- ◆ Study of efficiency loss and heat dissipation

➤ Key points:

- ◆ Multi-function IGBT or thyristor converter that can simulate any industrial application
- ◆ PSIM software to design and analyze the converter in situ
- ◆ Transparent enclosure allowing visualization of every part

➤ References: IG05: Multi-function IGBT converter with close control and protection device (0-5V control) - IG15: Multi-function IGBT converter with close control and protection device (0-15V control) – IG20: Multi-function diode and thyristor converter with close control – IG10: Preconfigured control electronic kit for motor control

Powertronics chopper – Trainer for the study of choppers

➤ Features:

- ◆ Step-down chopper
- ◆ H bridge

➤ Training activities:

- ◆ Study of chopper control
- ◆ Study of a step-down chopper (RL load)
- ◆ Study of an H-bridge chopper (DC motor load, change of speed and direction of rotation)

➤ Key points:

- ◆ Resistive (1,2k Ω), inductive and DC motor loads
- ◆ Voltage and current can be measured on all power components: 4 transistors, loads
- ◆ Available test points: triangle wave, duty cycle, downtime
- ◆ Variable frequency and duty cycle according to potentiometers

➤ Reference: AZ10: Powertronics chopper



Powertronics single-phase inverter – Trainer for the study of single-phase PWM inverters

➤ Features:

- ◆ Single-phase inverter

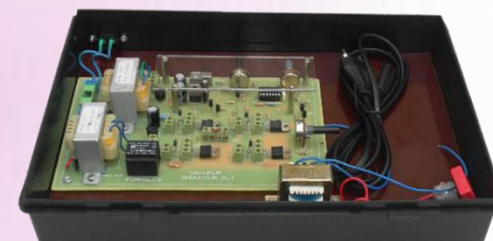
➤ Training activities:

- ◆ Study of inverter control
- ◆ Study of various ways of assembling a single-phase inverter: 4-transistor bridge, full wave control and sine-triangle PWM
- ◆ Study of parameter influence on a loading inverter

➤ Key points:

- ◆ Loads used: resistive load, 12/220V step-up transformer
- ◆ Voltage and current can be measured on all power components: 4 transistors, load
- ◆ Variable-frequency triangle wave (carrier), variable-amplitude sine wave (reference), variable duty cycle, downtime

➤ Reference: AZ11: Powertronics single-phase inverter



Powertronics rectifier – Trainer for the study of single-phase controlled rectifiers

➤ Features:

- ◆ Single-phase controlled rectifier

➤ Training activities:

- ◆ Study of various ways of assembling rectifiers: mixed bridge (2 diodes and 2 thyristors), controlled bridge (4 thyristors)
- ◆ Study of rectifier control

➤ Key points:

- ◆ Resistive (24V lamp), inductive and DC motor loads
- ◆ Voltage and current can be measured on all power components: thyristors, loads
- ◆ Available test points: zero-crossing detection, synchronous ramp, firing angle control, pulse train
- ◆ Variable firing angle according to potentiometers
- ◆ Galvanic isolation with pulse transformers
- ◆ Thyristor control by pulse train (2 kHz pulse frequency)

➤ Reference: AZ12: Powertronics rectifier





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