

Robotic Boat

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Abstract: *This project focuses on the design and development of a motor-driven thruster-operated water robot. The objective is to create a robotic system that can operate in areas where humans cannot, reducing the risk to human life. The project begins with an analysis of potential hull shapes, followed by the selection of a cylindrical hull design based on efficiency calculations. To implement the design, an Arduino Mega microcontroller is utilized along with various hardware components such as ultrasonic sensors, DC motors, servo motors, motor drivers, wireless cameras, temperature sensors, humidity sensors, pressure sensors, P V C pipes, and cutter blades. These components are carefully integrated into the system to enable autonomous navigation and robust communication capabilities. The chosen hardware configuration allows the robot boat to gather real-time data about water conditions, including temperature, humidity, and pressure. The wireless camera provides a visual feed, enabling remote monitoring of the robot's surroundings. To ensure obstacle avoidance and precise manoeuvrability, ultrasonic sensors are employed. The development process involves building a low-cost thermocol prototype due to cost constraints. The mathematical model and calculations support the efficiency of the chosen hull shape and the use of two thrusters. Additionally, the design includes an electronic and communication system specifically tailored to overcome challenges that may arise during water navigation. By successfully creating an autonomous robot boat, this project opens avenues for exploration, data collection, and surveillance in hazardous water environments. It holds significant potential for applications in areas such as marine research, disaster response, and underwater exploration.*

Keywords: Robot boat, water robot, autonomous navigation, hull shape design, efficiency analysis, low-cost prototype, electronics design, water navigation challenges, Arduino Mega, sensors, motor drivers, wireless camera, hazard reduction, remote monitoring, data collection, underwater exploration

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