



**Grading:** All students are encouraged to attend every class period. The lecture content will follow the laboratory assignments in an obvious manner, so failure to attend a lecture will be a severe handicap in the lab. The semester project will represent the entire content of the class and is representative of a final exam grade. You are **REQUIRED** to attend the final project demonstration day which will be **May 10<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 2:00pm**. Make sure to write this date in your calendar for this semester.

Check-off on all labs	30%
Homework	25%
LABVIEW Assignments	5%
Semester Project	40%

**Policy on cheating**

Students are encouraged to work together on homework assignments; however, original solutions are required. For homework, the threshold of cheating is defined as follows: If the person grading the assignments is able to identify students who have worked together by their solutions or specific aspects of their solution approach, then the solutions are not original! A homework or other assignment where cheating is found will automatically be given a zero grade

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**SE 423 – Introduction to Mechatronics, Spring 2024**

Lecture Dates	Topics	Current Lab
Wednesday January 17, 2024	Introduction, What is Mechatronics? What parts are we focusing on? Walk through Syllabus.	Lab #1
Monday, January 22, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Look at the LaunchXL-F28379D board and the green expansion board. Start to understand the pinout. What are System and Peripheral Registers? Hex numbers and Bitwise operators.</li> <li>- Code Composer Studio Development Environment</li> <li>- Default starter code</li> <li>- Timers and Digital I/O Pins</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, January 24, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Digital Outputs. Turn on and off an LED.</li> <li>- Digital Inputs. Pull-up resistor. Passive Push Button.</li> <li>- What is a peripheral register? How many I/O pins does the F28379D have? Talk about the pin multiplexer.</li> </ul>	Lab #1/Finish Soldering
Monday, January 29, 2024 <b>HW#1 Due (Tues, Jan 30, 5pm)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What is a CPU interrupt? Timer interrupt functions.</li> <li>- printf, sprintf, null terminated strings</li> <li>- RS 232 Serial Port, The ASCII character set</li> <li>- 16bit and 32bit integers and 2s compliment numbers</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, January 31, 2024 <b>LabVIEW #1 Due (Thurs, Feb 1, 5pm)</b>	-What is a DAC and how does it work? What is an ADC and how does it work? F28379D ADC peripheral	Lab #2
Monday, February 5, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continue with ADC peripheral. ADC Resolution. Successive Approximation Register (SAR) type of ADC.</li> <li>- What is an Optical Encoder?</li> <li>- What is a PWM signal? How to generate a PWM signal with the F28379D EPWM peripheral.</li> <li>- H-bridge, Example circuit</li> </ul>	

Wednesday, February 7, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Examples using the EPWM peripheral. The RCservo Motor.</li> <li>- What is an Optical Encoder Sensor? Calculating velocity.</li> <li>- Friction Compensation</li> </ul>	Lab #2 / Raspberry Pi4 / Oscilloscope / Answer Questions about Git
Monday, February 12, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Filter design and implementation, Filter Examples in Matlab.</li> <li>- Use DMA to store ADC samples. Using the FFT algorithm to find signal's dominant frequencies. Ping/Pong Buffer.</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, February 14, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continue Filter Design and FFT algorithm.</li> </ul>	Lab #3
Monday, February 19, 2024 <b>HW#2 Due (Tues, Feb 20, 5pm)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review three serial ports UART, SPI, I2C. SPI 4 clock modes. F28379D SPI peripheral registers.</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, February 21, 2024 <b>LabVIEW #2 Due (Thurs, Feb 22, 5pm)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review the DAN28027 SPI interface datasheet. Connecting multiple slave devices to one SPI serial port. Understand the F28379D's SPI Receive and Transmit FIFO</li> </ul>	Lab #4
Monday, February 26, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PID controller.</li> <li>- Integral Windup. Rollover issues.</li> <li>- Robot's speed control algorithm with steering.</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, February 28, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Developing Linux applications for Embedded Linux devices. Why use Linux. Discuss Multiple Threads/Processes/Applications.</li> <li>- Review what Lab #5's LabVIEW application is to display.</li> </ul>	Lab #4
Monday, March 4, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review Tasks</li> <li>- CAN IR Sensor</li> <li>- The Rate Gyro</li> <li>- The LIDAR (Laser Range Finder)</li> <li>- Wall-following, Inner-loop and Outer-loop controllers</li> <li>- Review what is expected with your LABVIEW application.</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, March 6, 2024 <b>LabVIEW #3 Due (Thurs, Mar 7, 5pm)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coordinate Transformations</li> <li>- Dead-Reckoning</li> <li>- Dealing with the Drift of the integral of the rate gyro</li> <li>- Finding Landmarks with the different distance sensors.</li> </ul>	Lab #5
Monday, March 11, 2024	Spring Break	Spring Break
Wednesday, March 13, 2024	Spring Break	Spring Break
Monday, March 18, 2024 <b>HW#3 Due (Tues, Mar 19, 5pm)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Talk about the LIDAR. How it works and How we interface with it.</li> <li>- Understand the data received by the LIDAR.</li> </ul>	
Wednesday, March 20, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review SPI serial interface and how to communicate with the MPU-9250 IMU chip.</li> </ul>	Lab #6
Monday, March 25, 2024	Revisit developing Linux applications. Deciding what processes can run in a non-real-time environment and what processes need to run in a real-time environment.	
Wednesday, March 27, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduce Vision Processing</li> <li>- CMOS Cameras and the BAYER format.</li> <li>- Centroid calculation</li> <li>- RGB color space</li> <li>- HSV color space</li> <li>- Vision algorithm finding multiple blobs.</li> </ul>	Lab #6
Monday, April 1, 2024 <b>HW#4 Due (Tues, April 2, 5pm)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduce the OpenMV camera module.</li> <li>- Robot following Flash light / Bright Color</li> </ul>	

Wednesday, April 3, 2024 <b>LabVIEW #4 Due (Thurs, Apr 5, 5pm)</b>	- Using camera to calculate distance to an object. - Using Landmarks to update robot's position	Lab #6 (RC Servo Extra Exercise)
Monday, April 8, 2024	- Path Planning. - Bug Algorithms for avoiding obstacles in robot's path. - A* (A star) path planning algorithm	
Wednesday, April 10, 2024	- A* (A star) path planning algorithm	Lab #7
Monday, April 15, 2024 <b>HW#5 Due (Tues, Apr 16, 5pm)</b>	- A* (A star) path planning algorithm	
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	- A* (A star) path planning algorithm	Lab #7
Monday, April 22, 2024	- Dead-Reckoning - Using Landmarks to update robot's position - Using Kalman filtering to help mix OptiTrack motion capture data with Dead-Reckoned robot position.	Semester Project
Wednesday, April 24, 2024	- More on Kalman Filtering. - Go through Kalman filtering code.	Semester Project
Monday, April 29, 2024	- Go through Kalman filtering code. - Go through move to XY point code.	Semester Project
Wednesday, May 1, 2024 <b>HW#6 Due (Fri, May 3, 5pm)</b>	- Go through move to XY point code.	Semester Project
<b>Friday, May 10, 2024 11:00AM-2:00PM</b>		<b>Project Presentations</b>