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Recent Tech Advancements in Robotics

Advancement Implications

What makes a good application?

Use-Case Development Roadmap

Applications of Advanced Robotics in Glazing

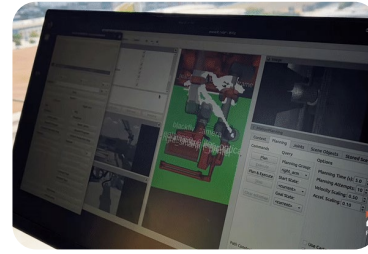
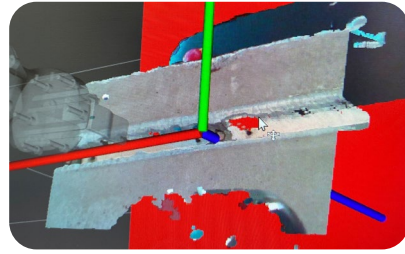
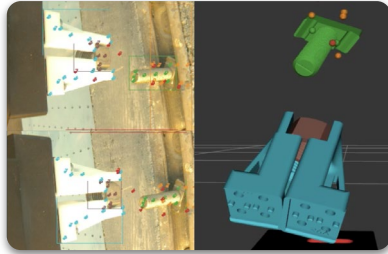
Traditional Robotics Don't Work On -Site



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Robotics Process Automation (RPA) in Glass Manufacturing



Perception



Planning



Action



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The tools for gathering data about the surrounding environment

See - Computer Vision
Feel - Tactile Sensors

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Plan motion decisions based on the processed data.

Quantify uncertainty and make probabilistic assumptions.

Execute planned commands while simultaneously streaming live sensory data.

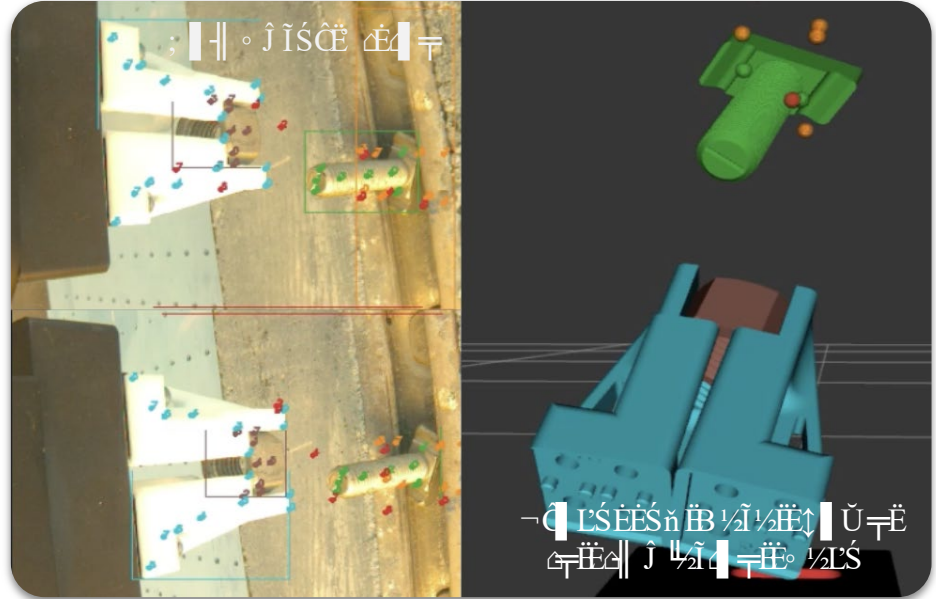
Today's robots never stop improving

Machine Learning

Can 'train' machine simulation on real or synthetic (AI generated) vision & sensor data.

Improves speed, accuracy, and robustness of the machine algorithms.

Allows more accurate job estimations.



What makes a 'good' application?

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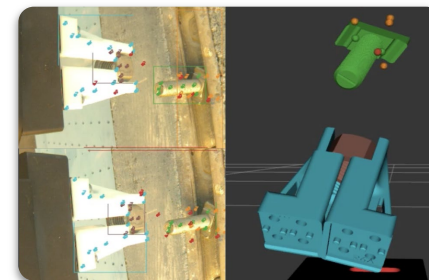
Engaging with a startup on a new use - case

- Choose a target scope of work and **provide the business case**
- Shadow workers and conduct interviews
- Segment SOW into smaller tasks
- First, develop robotic application for '*easiest*' task in the scope
- Establish success metrics for PoC test
DOES IT COMPLETE THE DESIRED TASK?
Remove performance metrics from initial success metrics.
If it can complete the task, it will be able to complete the task more efficiently.
- Continue development on more complex tasks until entire SOW is completed
- Establish KPIs for commercial use - *Cycle times, mitigated hazards, speed of setup, etc.*
- Handoff to customer once established KPI's have been met

Applications of “Smart” Robotics in Glazing

Technology We’re Using:

- Computer Vision
- Haptic Feedback
- Machine Learning
- Tool Changers



Established Capabilities:

- High-Accuracy Placement
- Material Handling
- Torque driving + drilling
- Layout Marking
- Quantifying deviation from plan



Productivity

- Increase productivity by 10-15% through automation and process optimization.
- Reduce cycle times by 20-30% using advanced manufacturing techniques.
- Improve quality control and reduce scrap rates by 5-10% through precision manufacturing.
- Enhance safety and reduce downtime by 15-20% through predictive maintenance and safety protocols.



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