

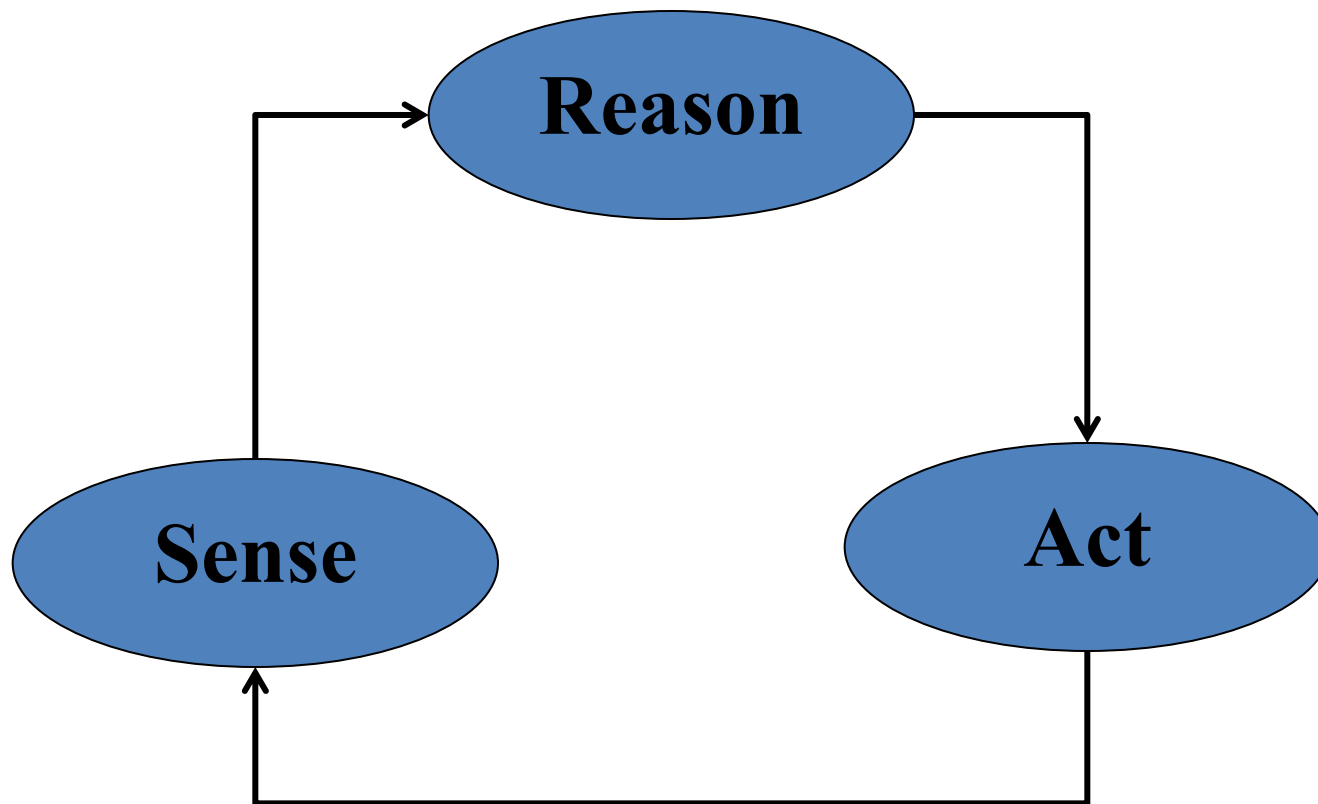


# CS-417 INTRODUCTION TO ROBOTICS AND INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS

*A Quick history*

# Robot

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# Talos (Τάλως/Τάλων) 400 BC

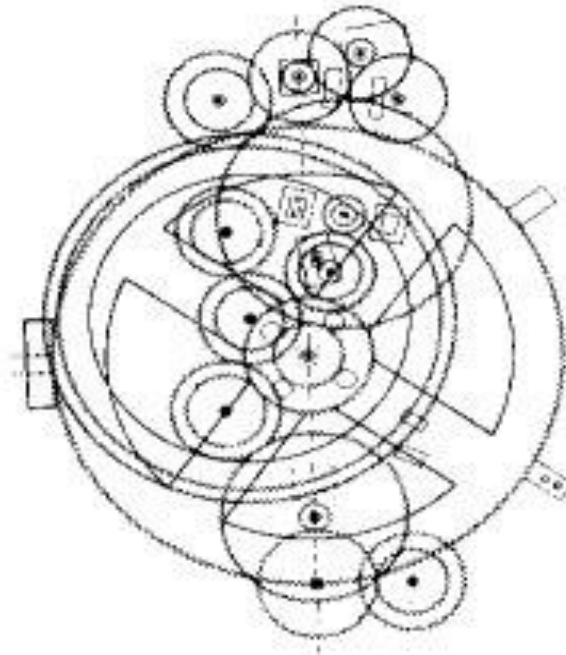
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- A giant man of bronze who protected Europa in Crete, circling the island's shores three times daily while guarding it.
- Shore-length of Crete is 1.046 km.
- Average speed 130 Km/h



# Automatons

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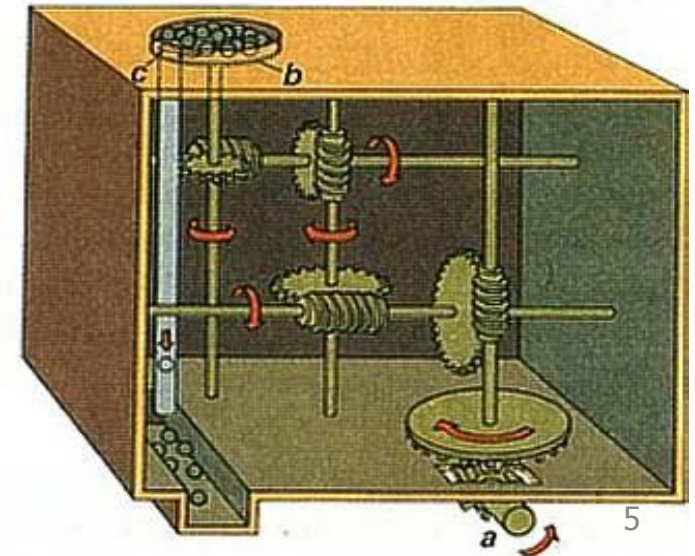
Antikythera, 150–100 BC



# Heron of Alexandria (Ηρων ὁ Ἀλεξανδρεὺς)

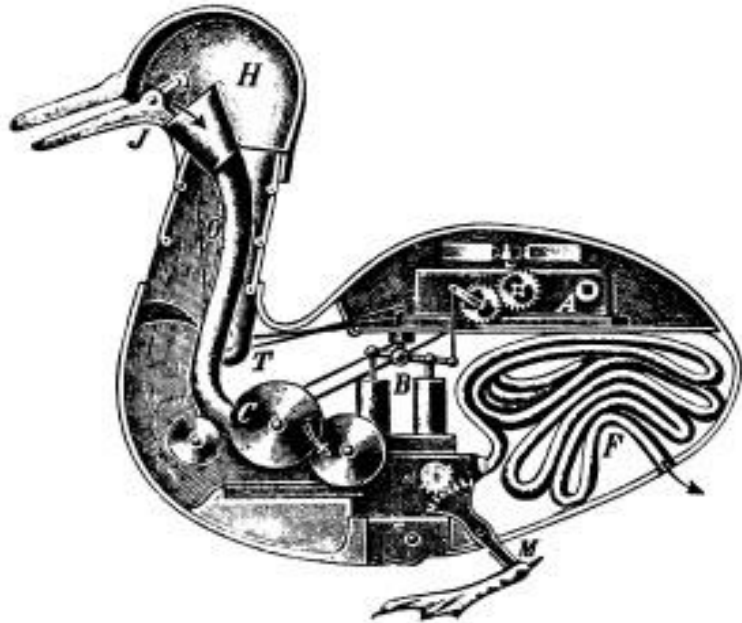
10-70AD

One of the first sensors:  
Odometer.

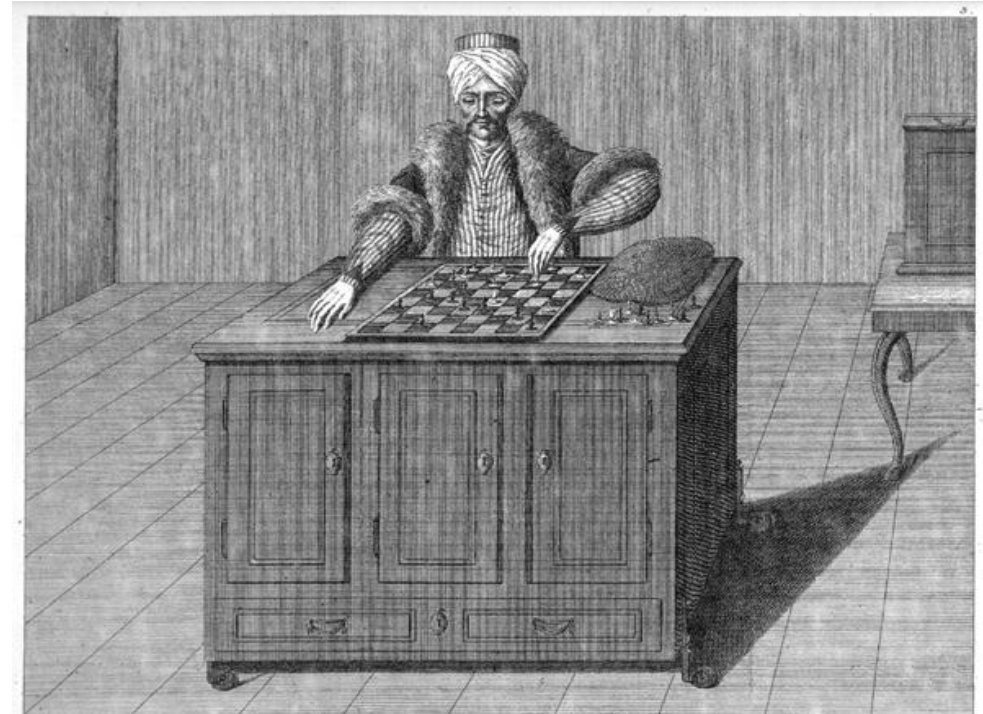




# Automatons



“Canard Digérateur”,  
1793



“The Turk”  
1770

# Tea serving automaton

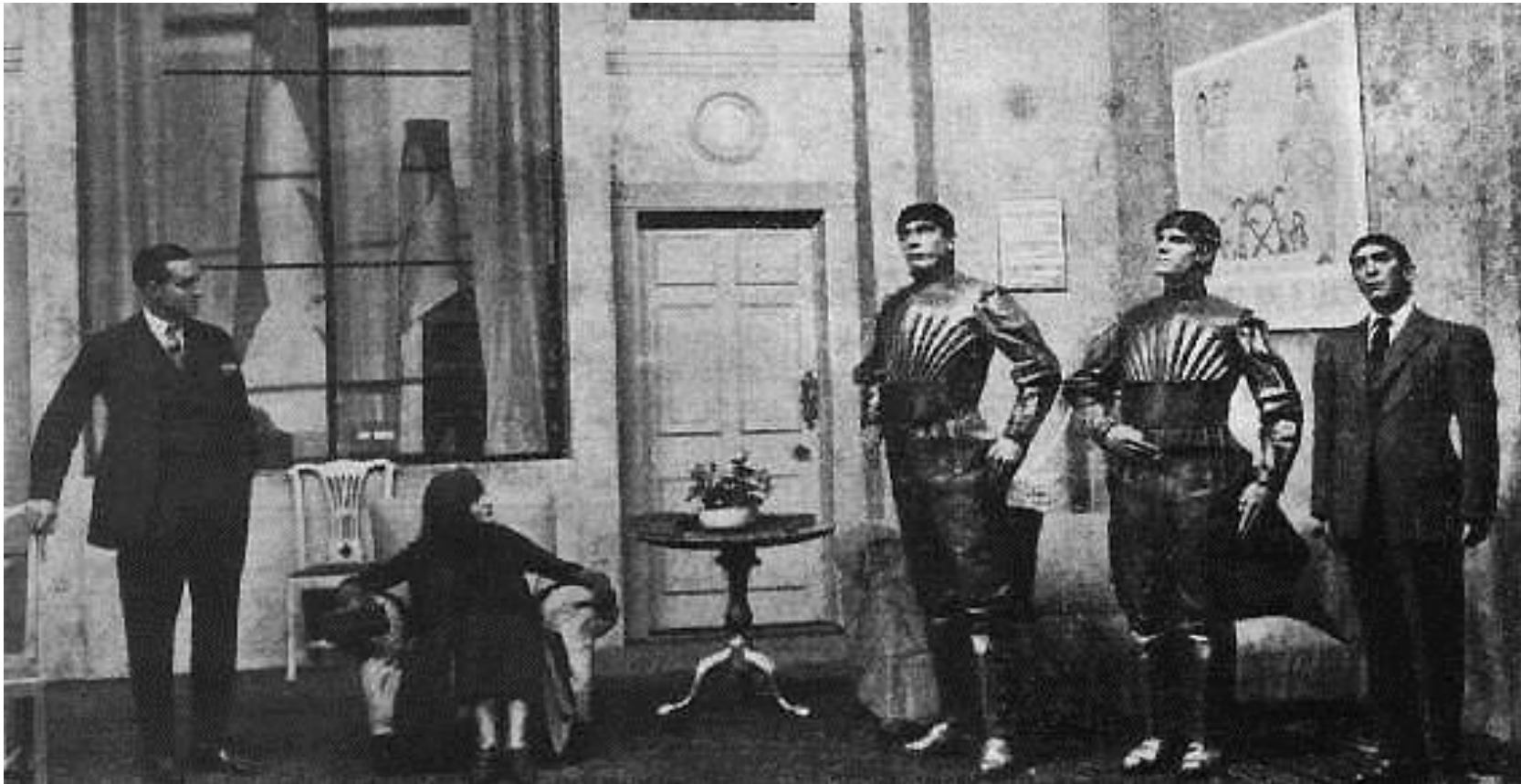
19<sup>th</sup> Century, Japan





# Word “Robot”

- “*Rossum's Universal Robots*” a novel by Karel Čapek, 1920.

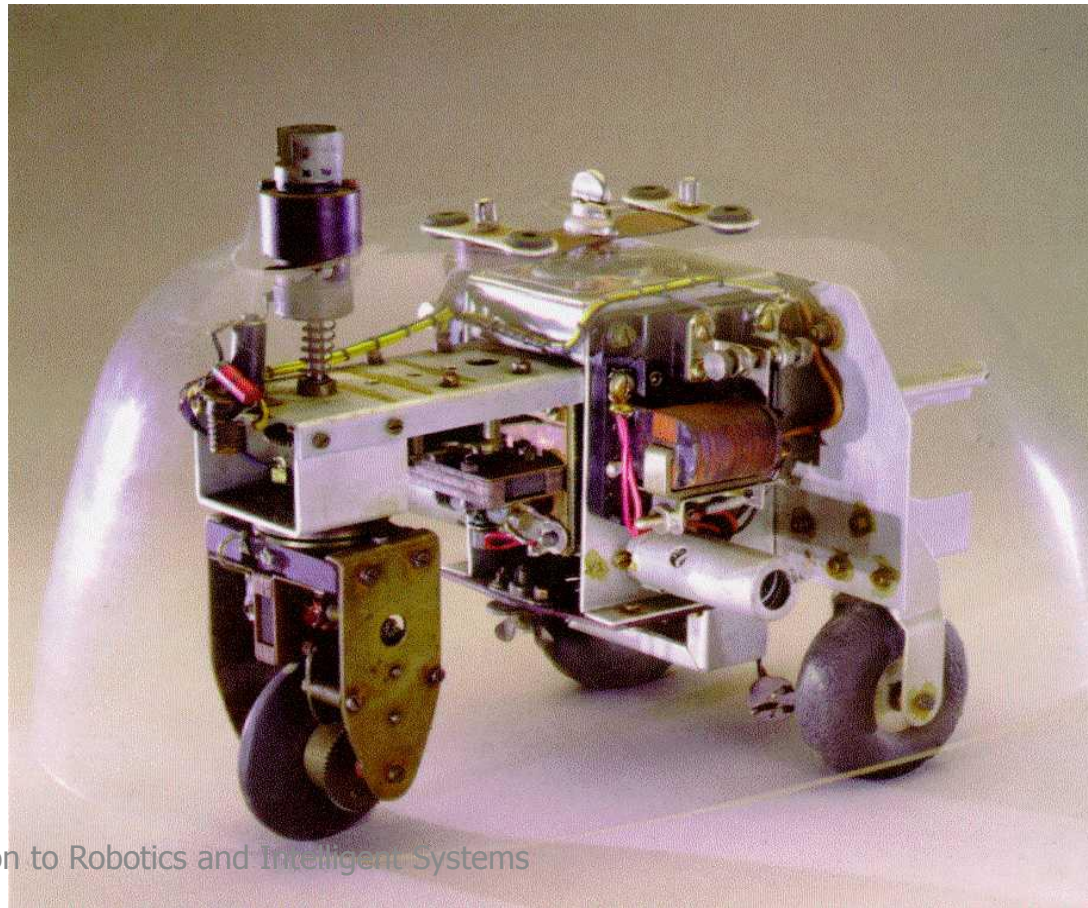


# Mobile Robots: 1950

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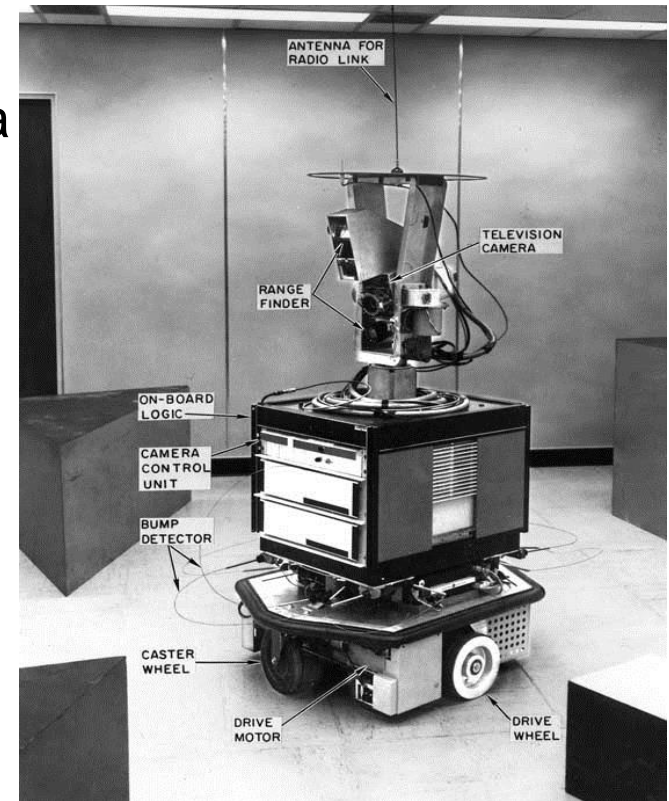
- Walter's *Tortoise*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lLULRImXkKo>



# Shakey (1966 -1972 )

- **Shakey** (Stanford Research Institute/SRI)
  - the first "autonomous" mobile robot to be operated using AI techniques
- Simple tasks to solve:
  - To recognize an object using vision, given a very restricted world
  - Find its way to the object
  - Perform some action on the object (for example, to push it over)
  - Perform compound actions and basic planning.



# Stanford Cart

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- 1973-1979
  - Stanford Cart developed by Hans Moravec
  - Use of stereo vision.
  - Took pictures from several different angles
  - The computer gauged the distance between the cart and obstacles in its path to do basic collision avoidance
  - About **15 min** to think about each image, then drives 1 foot or so.

# Industrial history: 1961

June 13, 1961

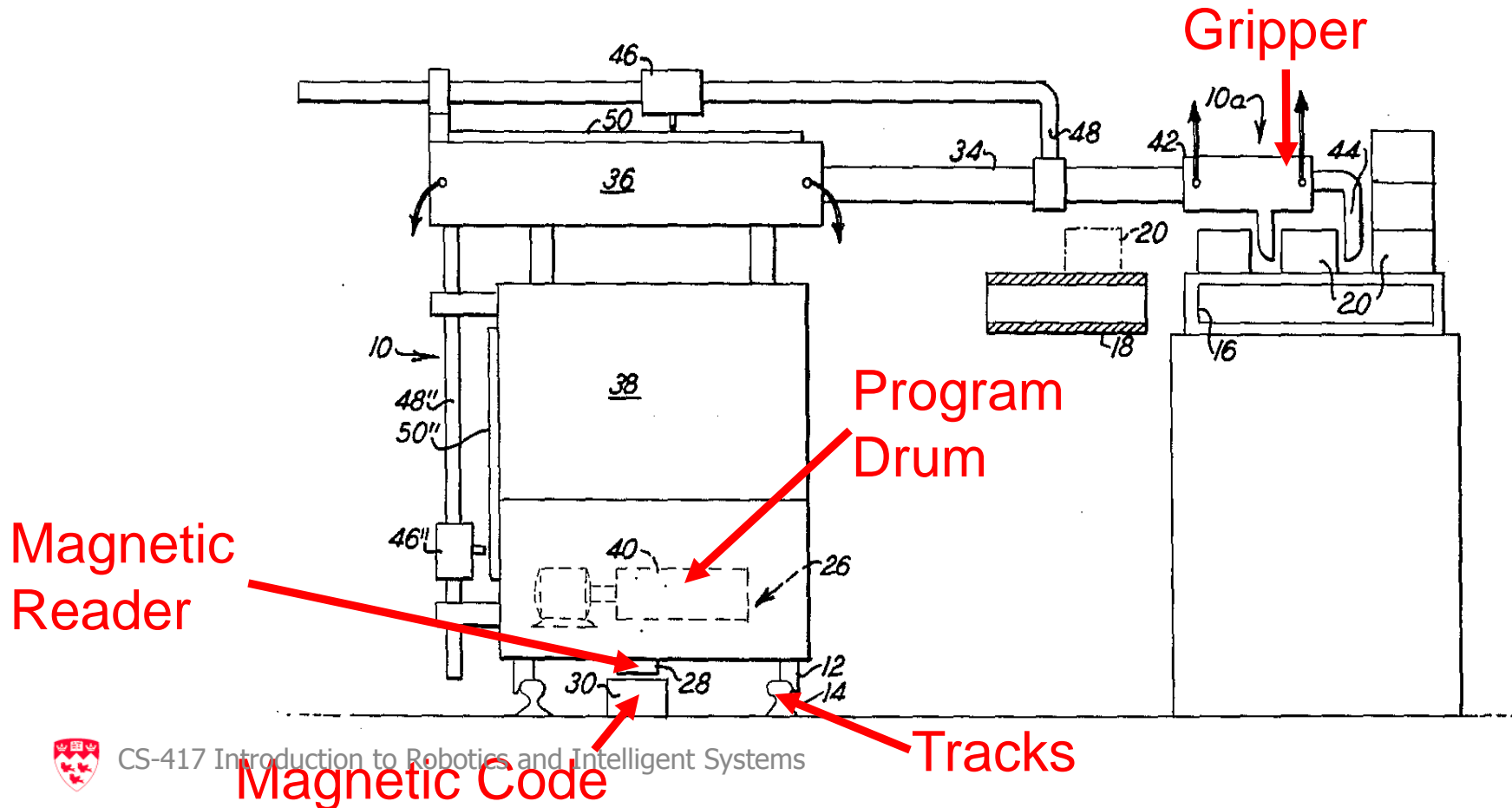
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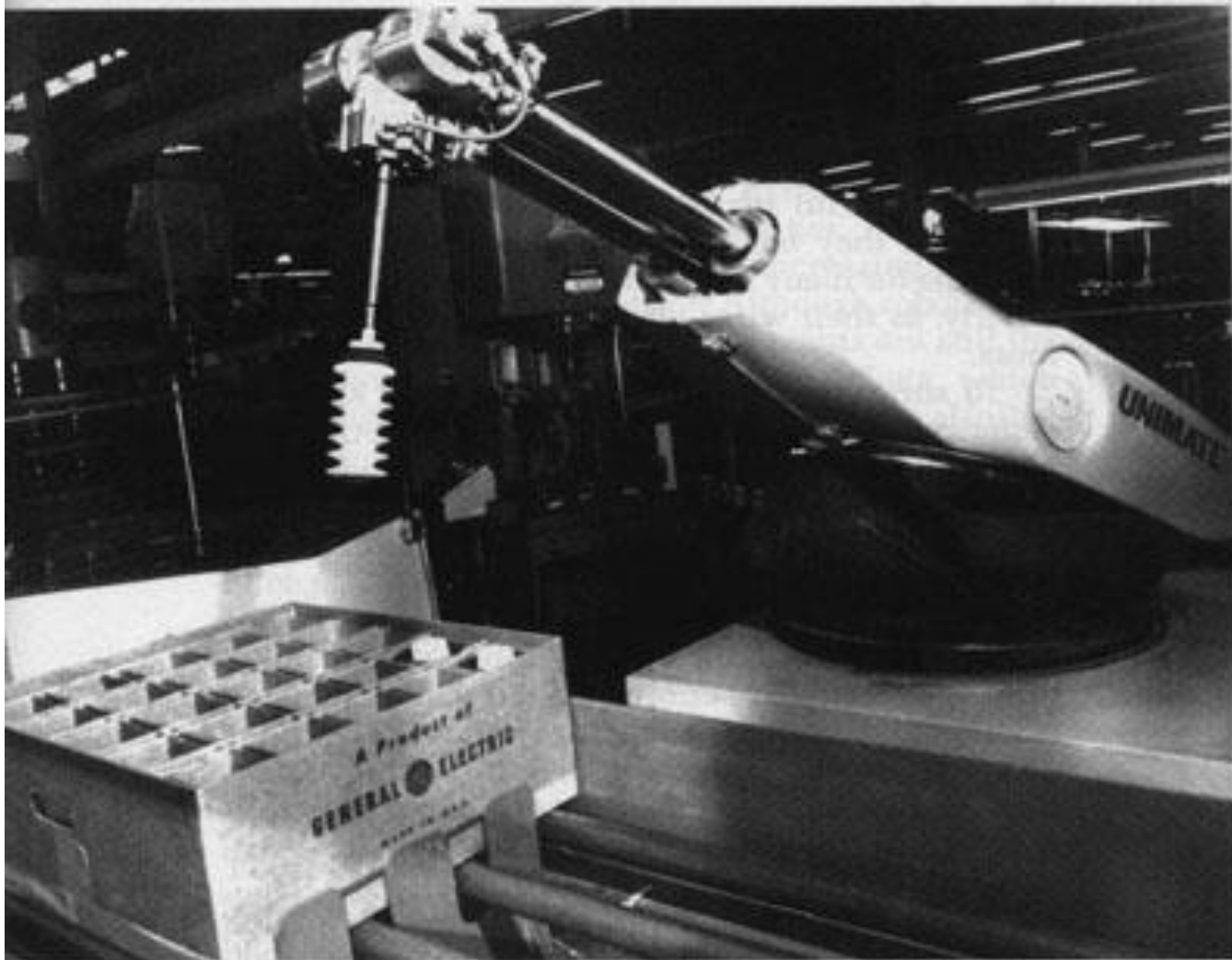
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# Industrial history: Unimate

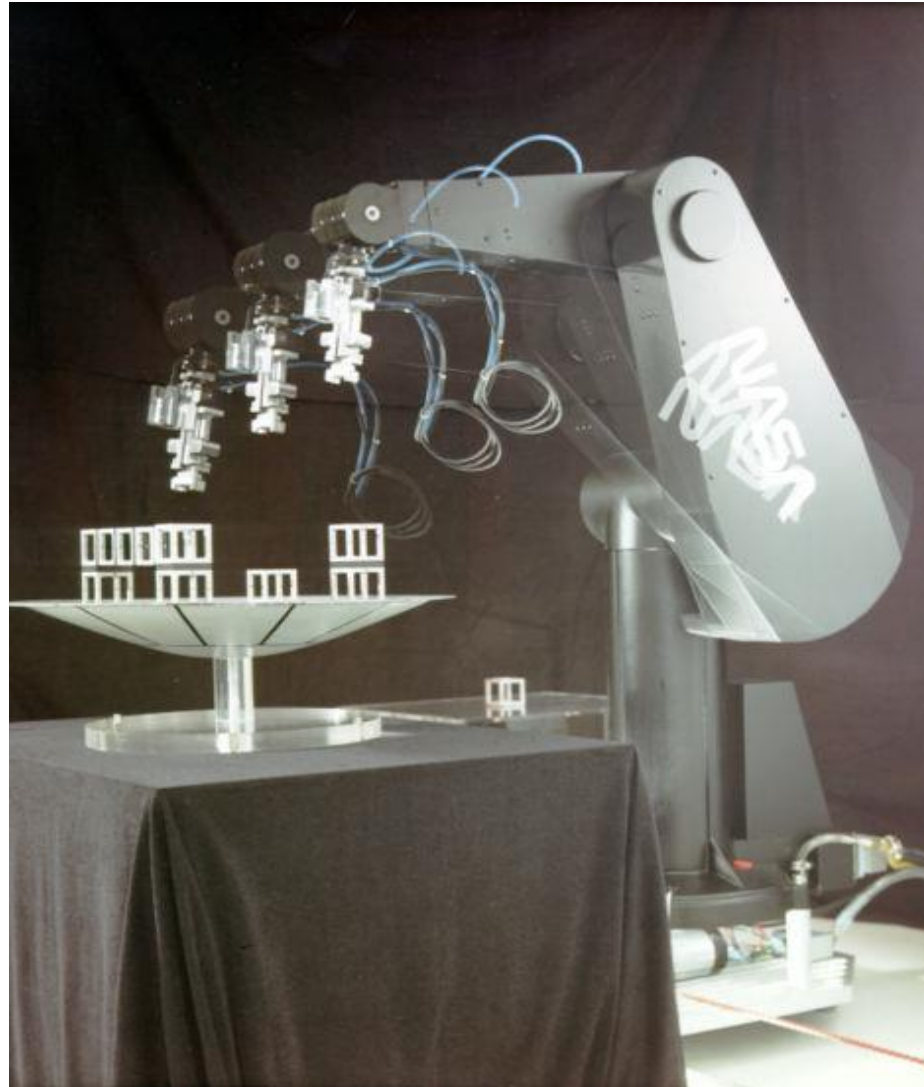


*Armed for duty. A Unimate robot—really, just an arm—picks up tiny parts in a General Electric factory.*



# Industrial history: Puma 1978

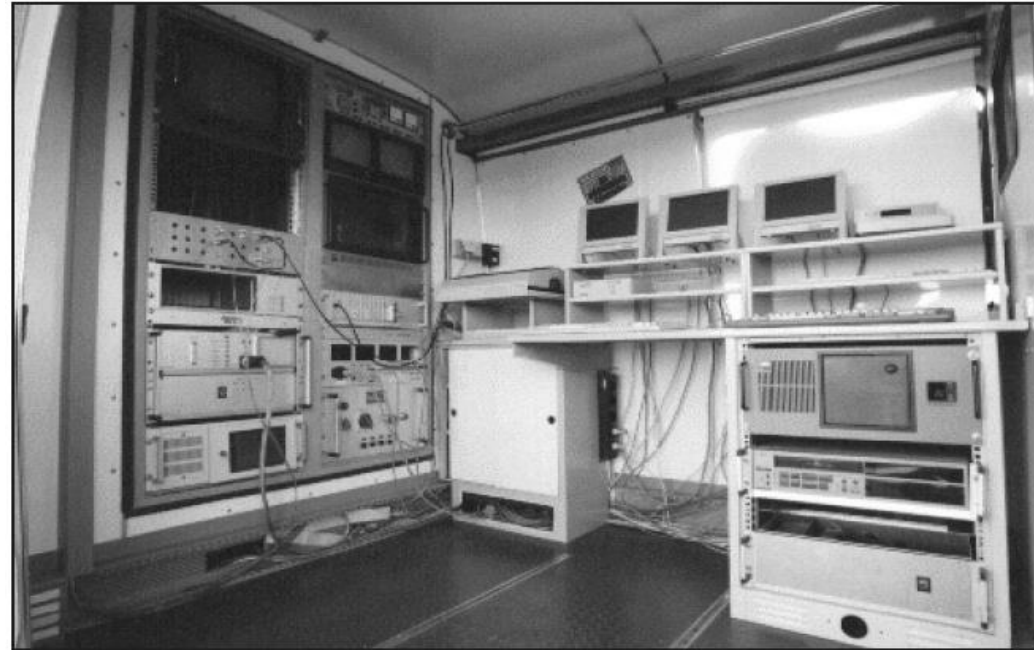
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# Robot Vehicle (Late 80's)

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- *VaMoRs*: Highway driving
- Tracking white lines with Kalman filtering (Dickmanns)





# Mid 90's: CMU's Navlab 5

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- Drove 2797/2849 miles (98.2%) on highways
- Throttle/Brake manually handled.

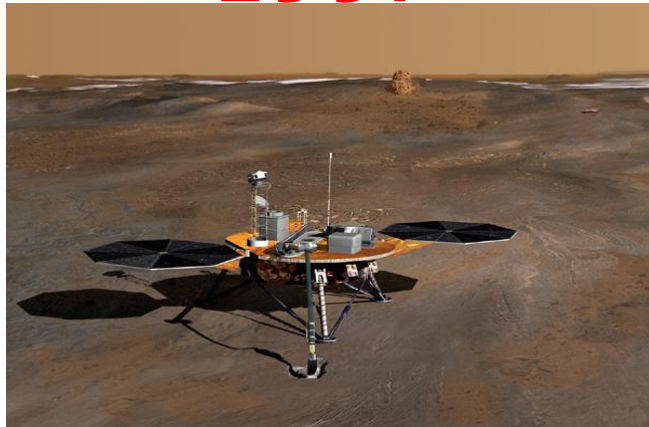
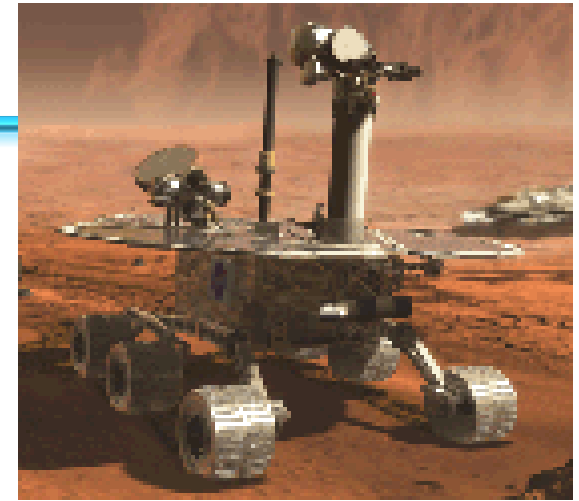


# Exploring Mars

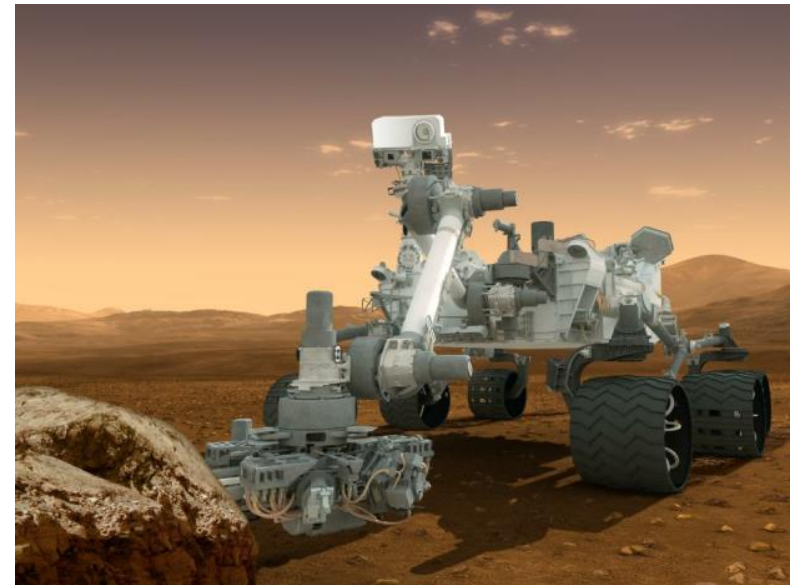


**Sojourner  
1997**

**Spirit and  
Opportunity  
2003**



**Phoenix-2008**



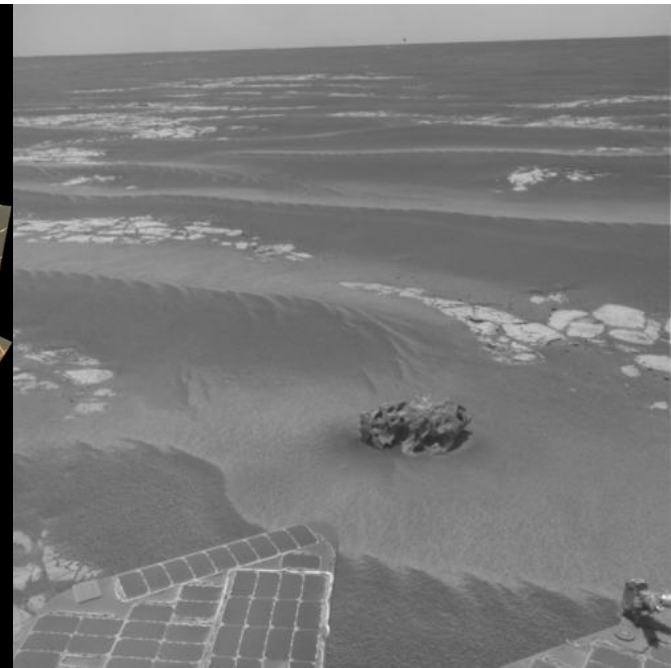
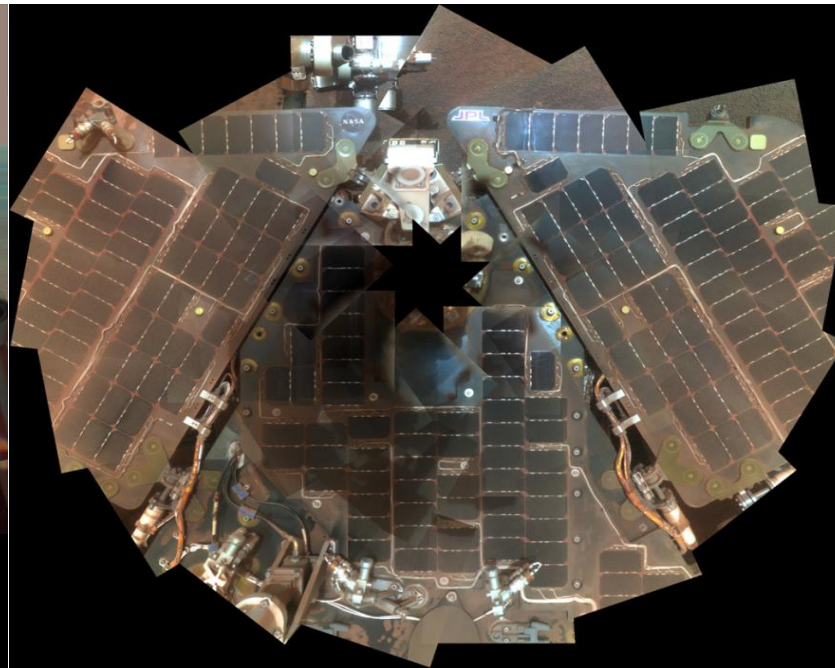
**Mars Science Laboratory  
Curiosity (2012)**



# More Current Data

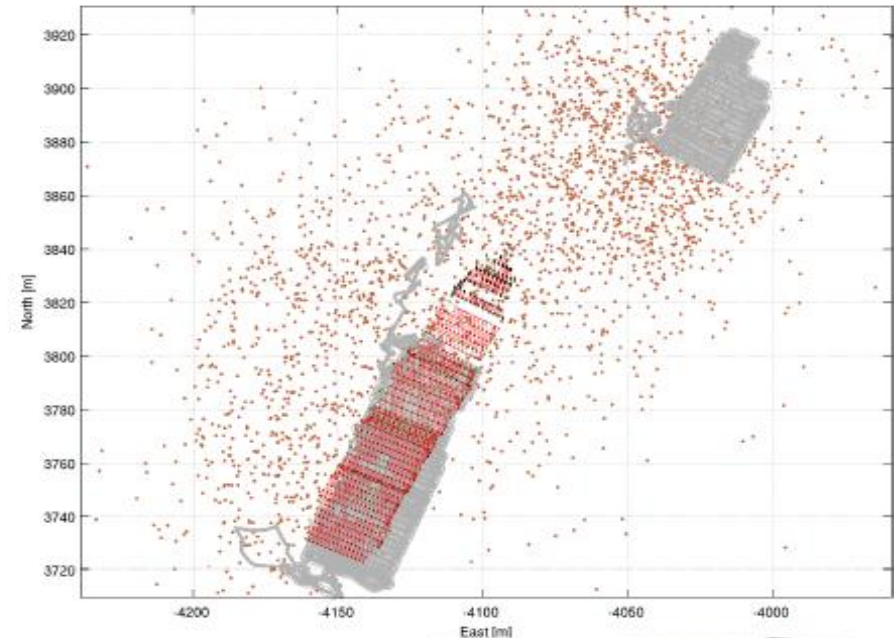
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- **Opportunity**, Sol 3349 (June 27, 2013), 37 Km
- **Spirit**, Sol 2210 (March 22, 2010), 7.7 km



# Highlights: Mapping the Titanic

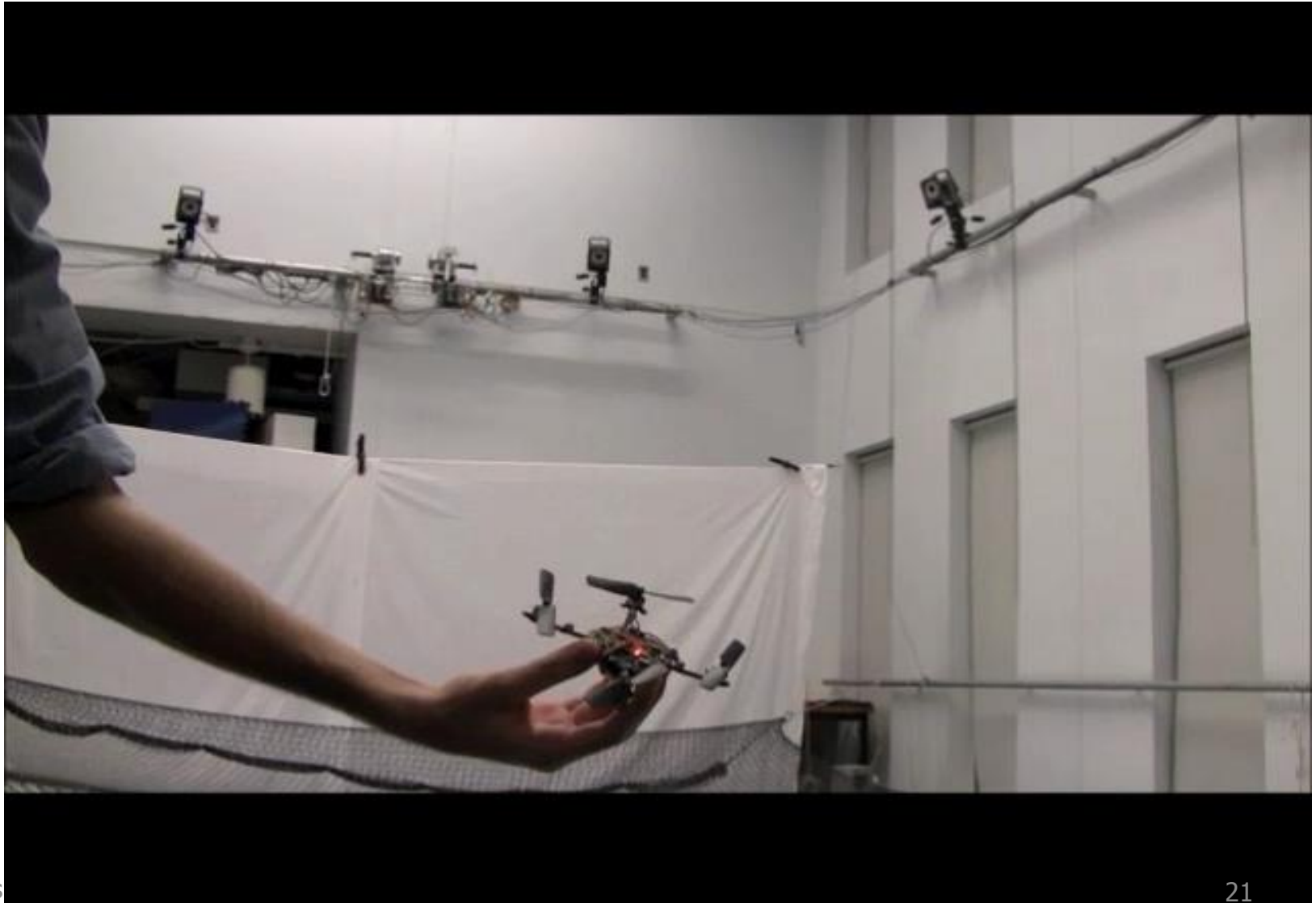
Ryan Eustice, Hanumant Singh, John Leonard, Matthew Walter and Robert Ballard, *Visually navigating the RMS Titanic with SLAM information filters*. In Proceedings of the Robotics: Science & Systems Conference, pages 57-64, June 2005.



# Highlights: Many Quadrotors

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Pennsylvania



# Highlights: DARPA Grand Challenge

- 2004: Mojave Desert USA, 240 km
  - CMU **Sandstorm** traveled the farthest distance, completing 11.78 km
- 2005: Mojave Desert USA, 240 km
  - Stanford's **Stanley**, first place 6h54m
  - CMU's Sandstorm, second place 7h05m



# Highlights: DARPA Urban Challenge 2007

- George Air Force Base, California. 96 km urban area course



**CMU's BOS,**  
first place 4h10m



**Stanford's Junior,**  
second place  
4h29m



# Highlights: DARPA Robotics Challenge

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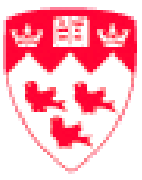
1. Drive a utility vehicle at the site
2. Travel dismounted across rubble
3. Remove debris blocking an entryway
4. Open a door and enter a building
5. Climb an industrial ladder and traverse an industrial walkway
6. Use a tool to break through a concrete panel
7. Locate and close a valve near a leaking pipe
8. Replace a component such as a cooling pump





# Highlights: DARPA Robotics Challenge

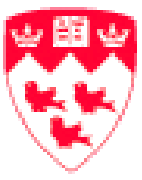




# Driverless Car

- Safer
  - More efficient
  - Enable people
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- The Nevada law went into effect on **March 1, 2012**, and the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles issued the first license for a self-driven car in **May 2012**. The license was issued to a Toyota Prius modified with Google's experimental driverless technology.
  - Google driverless car, with a test fleet of autonomous vehicles that as of May 2012 has driven **282,000** km.



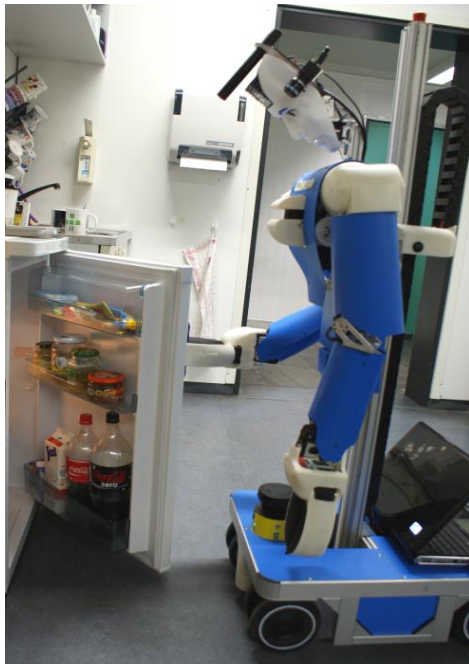


# Another trend

## Mobile Manipulation

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The robots have only interpreted the world, in various ways; the point is to change it<sup>1</sup>.



<http://pr.cs.cornell.edu/videos.php>

