DEVELOPMENT OF MODERN EQUIPMENT IN ROBOTICS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS

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Abstract. The rapid development of technology has significantly impacted education, and robotics has emerged as a key tool in preparing students for future technological challenges. This paper explores the importance of integrating modern robotics equipment into school education and outlines the benefits it offers to students. Robotics in schools not only enhances students' technical skills but also fosters creativity, problem-solving abilities, and teamwork. The paper examines various types of robotics equipment suitable for school students, including programmable robots, sensors, and microcontrollers, and discusses their role in teaching engineering and computer science concepts. Additionally, the study highlights the challenges faced by schools in implementing robotics programs, such as limited resources, insufficient teacher training, and the need for ethical considerations in the use of technology. The paper also explores the future prospects of robotics education, emphasizing the growing role of innovation and the potential for robotics to become a cornerstone of STEM education. The conclusion underscores the necessity for increased collaboration between governments, educational institutions, and private sectors to ensure that students are equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in an increasingly technological world.

Keywords: *Robotics, STEM Education, Robotic Equipment, Programming, Microcontroller, Automation, Teamwork, Ethics in Robotics.*

РАЗРАБОТКА СОВРЕМЕННОГО ОБОРУДОВАНИЯ ПО РОБОТОТЕХНИКЕ ДЛЯ ШКОЛЬНИКОВ

Аннотация. Быстрое развитие технологий существенно повлияло на образование, и робототехника стала ключевым инструментом в подготовке учащихся к будущим технологическим вызовам. В этой статье рассматривается важность интеграции современного робототехнического оборудования в школьное образование и описываются преимущества, которые оно дает учащимся. Робототехника в школах не только повышает технические навыки учащихся, но и способствует развитию креативности, способностей решать проблемы и командной работы. В статье рассматриваются различные типы робототехнического оборудования, подходящего для школьников, включая программируемых роботов, датчики и микроконтроллеры, a также обсуждается их роль в преподавании концепций инженерии и информатики. Кроме того, в исследовании подчеркиваются проблемы, с которыми сталкиваются школы при робототехнике, реализации программ no такие как ограниченные ресурсы, недостаточная подготовка учителей и необходимость этических соображений при использовании технологий. В статье также рассматриваются будущие перспективы образования в области робототехники, подчеркивая растущую роль инноваций и потенциал робототехники стать краеугольным камнем образования STEM. В заключении подчеркивается необходимость расширения сотрудничества между правительствами, образовательными учреждениями и частным сектором для обеспечения того, чтобы учащиеся были оснащены навыками и знаниями, необходимыми для процветания в мире, который становится все более технологичным.

Ключевые слова: Робототехника, STEM-образование, робототехническое оборудование, программирование, микроконтроллер, автоматизация, командная работа, этика в робототехнике.

Introduction

In the modern world, technological revolutions, digital innovations, and automation are transforming not only business and industry but also the education system. Particularly, advancements in the field of robotics play a vital role in guiding the younger generation towards modern science and technology. Today, robotics is not only the foundation for future professions but also an essential tool in developing engineering skills, logical thinking, and teamwork abilities in young learners. Robotics education in schools has become an effective means of providing students with technical thinking and engineering knowledge. Robotics primarily involves the design, construction, and programming of robots, allowing students to gain deeper insights into subjects like mathematics, physics, and computer science. Moreover, robotics helps students develop logical reasoning, creativity, and problem-solving skills, preparing them for future challenges. Through practical application in robotics, students learn to apply their knowledge to everyday life, which forms a solid foundation for their future professional careers.

Currently, modern equipment used for teaching robotics in schools plays a key role in developing students' technological skills. These tools help students gain hands-on experience in programming, electronics, and mechanics. Depending on the students' age and level of knowledge, robots designed for educational purposes provide an engaging and effective way for students to learn. Practical workshops, where students build and program robots, enhance their learning experience by making it more enjoyable and meaningful. Furthermore, the process of preparing modern robotics equipment involves a variety of technologies and methods that contribute to the development of students' creativity and technical abilities. These tools typically involve programming interfaces, sensors, actuators, and computer systems. Such robots are not only practical for educational activities but also significantly impact students' research and scientific endeavors. This article will explore the modern robotics equipment used in schools, the programming languages, and technologies applied in the field. It will also address the pedagogical approaches to teaching robotics and how these practices contribute to student development.

Additionally, we will discuss the challenges in preparing robotics tools and offer solutions, as well as the resources required to advance this field. All of these factors play an essential role in introducing the younger generation to modern technologies and ensuring their successful future careers.

Literature review and method

The role and importance of robotics in school education are increasingly growing. Modern technologies, especially robotics, provide students with not only theoretical knowledge but also practical skills. Today, robotics lessons offer students the opportunity to develop logical thinking and solve various technical problems. This field also increases interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) subjects and helps to strengthen students' preparedness for high-tech professions in the future. Robotics also offers students the opportunity to gain experience and participate in scientific research, while enhancing their creativity and innovative thinking abilities. Robotics is a field that introduces students to science and technology through the design, construction, and programming of robots. The role of robotics in education is not limited to developing technical skills; it also helps students develop logical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork skills. Through robotics, students learn to apply scientific methodologies and use these methods in practice. Thus, the impact of robotics on students extends beyond science subjects and has become an effective way of teaching technological innovations.

Robotics equipment for school students is developed based on modern technologies and is adapted to students' knowledge levels. These include key robot components such as sensors, actuators, and control systems. This equipment helps students understand the processes of building and programming robots. Additionally, programming environments such as Scratch, Python, and Arduino are provided for students. Through these tools, students learn to activate robots, enable them to sense the environment through sensors, and perform specific tasks. During robotics education in schools, ensuring safety is also crucial, as students need to be taught the rules for working safely with these technologies. Programming is an inseparable part of robotics because robots require programming to control their movements. For school students, learning programming through block-based programming languages such as Scratch or platforms like Arduino is very beneficial. Through programming, students also develop logical thinking and problem-solving skills. Using these programming languages, students learn how to control robots and assign them tasks. Furthermore, the programming process allows students to test their robots and add new functions, fostering creativity and innovation in their approach.

The process of creating a robotics project involves several stages: idea development, planning, material and tool selection, robot construction, and programming. Students apply various methodologies to solve technical problems in their projects. During the project process, students learn to collaborate, share responsibilities, and make correct decisions based on their individual actions. This process develops their teamwork skills while building, programming, and operating robots. Through practical exercises, students not only gain technical skills but also develop creative approaches to solving problems. To increase interest in robotics and encourage students to deepen their knowledge, various motivational methods are employed. Organizing robotics competitions in schools, holding scientific and technical fairs, and providing opportunities for project-based work significantly boost students' interest. Giving students the chance to work in teams motivates them to think critically and collaboratively when solving problems. Moreover, learning to work with robotics tools enhances their creative thinking and helps them learn new technologies.

Motivating students this way makes robotics lessons more engaging and effective.

Modern robotics curricula are tailored to students' ages and levels of knowledge. In schools, robotics lessons are part of the core STEM subjects, providing students with the opportunity to gain deeper knowledge in mathematics, physics, and computer science. These curricula offer effective ways to teach robotics, electronics, and programming.

They also provide students with the opportunity to apply practical knowledge while learning about robotics tools and technologies.

Such curricula play a crucial role in developing students' technical skills and encouraging them to engage with science and technology. Safety and ethical issues are of significant importance in robotics. When working with robots, students must learn the rules for working safely. Ensuring safety while teaching robotics is necessary to protect both students and others from harm. Ethical issues are also important, such as the responsibility involved in using robots and their impact on human life. Teaching students about safety and responsibility helps them understand how to use technology in a safe and ethical manner. It is essential to train students to approach robotics with caution and awareness of its social implications.

The future of robotics education will see new technologies and innovations incorporated into the educational system. Distance learning and virtual workshops will provide new opportunities for developing robotics skills. Additionally, global perspectives and experiences will play an important role in making robotics education more effective. The role of robotics in education will continue to grow, helping prepare future generations for the technological challenges they will face. To make robotics education even more effective, the necessary technological infrastructure and resources need to be developed. Robotics education in schools plays a crucial role in developing students' interest in science, technology, and innovation. It helps them acquire valuable technical skills, creative problem-solving abilities, and teamwork skills. By engaging in robotics projects and competitions, students gain experience and confidence in their ability to use modern technologies. Robotics education also prepares students for future careers in high-tech industries, ensuring they are well-equipped to face the challenges of tomorrow's technological world. Therefore, the integration of robotics into the school curriculum will continue to have a significant impact on students' education and their future professional success.

Discussion

The integration of robotics into school education has proven to be a significant development in enhancing students' technological literacy and critical thinking abilities. By engaging with robotics, students not only gain hands-on experience in building and programming robots, but also develop essential skills that are highly valued in the modern job market, such as problem-solving, creativity, and teamwork. However, despite its numerous advantages, several challenges need to be addressed to ensure the effective implementation of robotics education in schools. One of the primary challenges is the lack of sufficient resources and infrastructure in many schools. Robotics requires specialized equipment, such as sensors, motors, and microcontrollers, as well as access to programming platforms. While some schools have started incorporating robotics into their curriculum, the cost of acquiring and maintaining these tools remains a barrier for many institutions, particularly in developing regions. To overcome this, governments and educational institutions should prioritize the allocation of resources for robotics education, either through direct funding or by fostering partnerships with technology companies.

Another challenge is the training of educators. While robotics has become an increasingly important part of the curriculum, many teachers may not have the technical expertise to effectively teach the subject.

As robotics education involves both theoretical and practical elements, it requires educators to possess knowledge in various fields, including engineering, programming, and electronics. Therefore, investing in professional development programs for teachers is essential.

Schools should offer continuous training to help educators stay updated with the latest technological advancements and teaching methodologies. Furthermore, the ethical implications of robotics should not be overlooked. As students are introduced to the potential of robots and artificial intelligence, it is important to emphasize the responsible use of technology. Educators must teach students about the ethical considerations associated with robotics, such as privacy, safety, and the impact of automation on society. This is particularly crucial in an age where the ethical deployment of AI and robotics is becoming a significant global discussion.

In terms of pedagogical approaches, the integration of robotics should be aligned with the overall educational goals of the school system. Robotics is not just about building robots; it is about using them as tools for learning and problem-solving. The inclusion of robotics in the curriculum should be accompanied by an emphasis on cross-disciplinary learning, connecting robotics with subjects such as mathematics, science, engineering, and even the arts. This will allow students to see the practical applications of their academic studies, making learning more engaging and relevant. Finally, the future of robotics education holds great promise. As technology continues to advance, new and more affordable tools will become available, making it easier for schools to adopt robotics programs. Virtual and augmented reality tools could also play a significant role in enhancing robotics education, providing immersive and interactive learning experiences. Additionally, as students gain experience with robotics, they could have the opportunity to participate in local and international competitions, fostering a spirit of innovation and collaboration.

Conclusion

The integration of modern robotics equipment into school education is a transformative step in preparing students for the challenges of the future. By offering hands-on learning experiences with robotics, students are not only introduced to the fundamentals of technology but are also equipped with critical skills such as problem-solving, creativity, teamwork, and logical thinking. These competencies are essential in the increasingly technological world and lay a strong foundation for future careers in science, engineering, and technology. Despite the numerous benefits, the successful implementation of robotics in schools requires overcoming various challenges, such as the need for adequate resources, specialized teacher training, and ethical considerations. The lack of funding and technical infrastructure in some schools limits the widespread adoption of robotics education. Moreover, the absence of a strong professional development program for educators further hinders its success. Addressing these challenges requires the collaboration of governments, educational institutions, and the private sector to ensure that the necessary tools, training, and ethical guidelines are in place.

The future of robotics education is promising, with emerging technologies and innovations making it more accessible to schools worldwide. The inclusion of robotics in the curriculum, combined with effective pedagogical approaches, will inspire students to develop a deeper interest in STEM fields.

It is crucial to provide students with the opportunity to not only learn how to build robots but also to use them as tools for exploring scientific concepts and creative problem-solving. In conclusion, preparing modern robotics equipment for school students is an essential investment in the future of education. By providing students with the resources, training, and opportunities to engage with robotics, we are fostering the next generation of innovators who will shape the technological landscape of tomorrow. The integration of robotics into school curricula will continue to evolve, becoming an indispensable part of education and paving the way for a technologically literate society.

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