

## Artificial Intelligence Voice Assistant Robot

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**Abstract**—This paper presents the Artificial Intelligence Voice Assistant Robot capable of performing basic movement operations using wireless voice commands. The system is built around an Arduino microcontroller, which functions as the primary control unit. Voice commands are generated through a smartphone application and transmitted to the robot via a Bluetooth communication module. The received commands are processed by the Arduino, which controls the robot's motion through DC motors driven by a motor driver circuit, enabling forward, backward, left, and right movements. To enhance operational safety, an ultrasonic sensor is integrated for obstacle detection, allowing the robot to prevent collisions by halting or restricting movement when an object is detected within a predefined range. Battery voltage is continuously monitored using a voltage sensor to ensure reliable power management. An LCD display and LED indicators provide real-time system status, command feedback, and battery information to the user. The proposed system offers a low-cost, hands-free, and user-friendly robotic solution that demonstrates effective integration of embedded systems and wireless communication technologies. Due to its simplicity, modular design, and reliable performance, the system is suitable for educational applications, smart automation, and assistive robotic systems.

**Index Terms**—Voice-controlled robot, Arduino, Bluetooth communication, DC motor control, ultrasonic sensor, intelligent robotics

### I. INTRODUCTION

Recent advancements in robotics, embedded systems, and wireless communication technologies have significantly increased interest in voice-controlled intelligent systems. Voice-controlled robots offer a natural and intuitive mode of interaction by allowing users to communicate with machines using spoken commands, thereby eliminating the need for traditional physical control interfaces such as switches, joysticks, or keyboards. This hands-free interaction enhances accessibility and ease of use, especially for elderly individuals and physically challenged users. Voice-controlled robotic systems have found wide applications across various domains, including smart home automation, industrial control systems, assistive robotics, and educational platforms. In smart environments, such robots can perform tasks based on verbal instructions, while in industrial and assistive settings, they help reduce human effort and improve operational efficiency. In the educational domain, voice-controlled robots serve as effective learning tools for understanding concepts related to embedded systems, sensors, actuators, and wireless communication. This paper focuses on the design and development of a Voice Control AI Robot that interprets voice commands transmitted wirelessly through Bluetooth communication and executes corresponding movement actions. The system uses an Arduino microcontroller as the central control unit, which processes incoming commands and controls the robot's motion accordingly. The robot is designed using low-cost, easily available, and widely supported hardware components, making it affordable and practical for students, hobbyists, and researchers. By integrating motion control, obstacle detection, and real-time monitoring features into a single platform, the proposed system demonstrates the practical implementation of intelligent robotic control using simple yet effective technologies. The project provides a strong foundation for further research and development in the field of intelligent and autonomous robotic systems.

### II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Voice-controlled robotic systems have attracted significant attention due to their ability to enhance human-machine interaction and automation. Early robotic control methods primarily relied on physical interfaces such as switches, joysticks, and remote controllers. With advancements in wireless communication technologies, researchers have explored Bluetooth- and Wi-Fi-based robotic control systems to improve flexibility and ease of use. Several studies have demonstrated the effectiveness of Bluetooth-enabled robots controlled using smartphone applications. These systems are widely preferred due to their low cost, ease of implementation, and compatibility with commonly available mobile devices. Arduino-based robotic platforms have gained popularity in academic and research environments because of their open-source architecture, simplicity, and strong community support. Researchers have successfully implemented voice-controlled robots by integrating

Arduino microcontrollers with Bluetooth modules to interpret voice commands and control motor actions. Safety mechanisms have also been emphasized in previous research works. The use of ultrasonic sensors for obstacle detection has proven effective in minimizing collision risks and improving operational reliability. In addition, battery monitoring using voltage sensors has been incorporated in some robotic designs to ensure efficient power management and prevent unexpected system shutdowns. Although existing systems demonstrate reliable voice-based control, many lack integrated monitoring and real-time user feedback. The proposed system addresses these limitations by combining voice control, obstacle detection, battery monitoring, and display feedback into a single low-cost robotic platform suitable for educational, automation, and assistive applications.

### III. METHODOLOGY

The methodology of the proposed Voice Controlled AI Robot involves the systematic integration of hardware and software components to achieve reliable voice-based control and safe robotic operation. The overall working process is divided into multiple stages, including voice command generation, wireless communication, command processing, actuation, and monitoring. Initially, the user provides voice commands through a smartphone application. The application converts the spoken commands into digital text-based instructions and transmits them wirelessly using Bluetooth communication. The Bluetooth module connected to the robot receives these commands and forwards them to the Arduino microcontroller. The Arduino functions as the central control unit and continuously monitors incoming Bluetooth data. Upon receiving a valid command, the microcontroller processes it using predefined control logic and determines the corresponding movement action. Control signals are then generated and sent to the motor driver circuit, which drives the DC motors to perform movements such as forward, backward, left, and right. Simultaneously, the ultrasonic sensor continuously measures the distance between the robot and nearby obstacles. If an obstacle is detected within a predefined threshold distance, the Arduino interrupts motor operation to prevent collision. The voltage sensor monitors battery levels in real time to ensure proper power management. An LCD display and LED indicators provide real-time feedback regarding system status, command execution, and battery voltage. This structured methodology ensures effective coordination between input, processing, and output modules, resulting in a reliable, safe, and user-friendly voice-controlled robotic system.

### IV. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

The system architecture of the proposed Voice Control AI Robot is designed to ensure efficient communication, accurate command processing, and reliable execution of robotic actions. The overall system is divided into three major subsystems: the Input and Communication System, the Control and Processing System, and the Actuation and Monitoring System. Each subsystem plays a critical role in achieving smooth and coordinated operation of the robot.

#### 1. Input and Communication System

The Input and Communication System is responsible for capturing user voice commands and transmitting them wirelessly to the robot. Voice commands are generated using a smartphone application, where spoken instructions are converted into digital text-based commands. These commands are then transmitted to the robot using a Bluetooth communication module. Bluetooth technology provides a simple, low-power, and reliable wireless interface suitable for short-range robotic control applications.

#### 2. Control and Processing System

The Control and Processing System forms the core of the robot and is implemented using an Arduino microcontroller. The Arduino continuously receives command data from the Bluetooth module and processes it using predefined control logic. Based on the interpreted command, the microcontroller determines the appropriate action to be executed. In addition to motion control, the Arduino also processes data from various sensors such as the ultrasonic sensor and voltage sensor, enabling real-time decision-making and system monitoring.

#### 3. Actuation and Monitoring System

The Actuation and Monitoring System executes the commands processed by the microcontroller and provides feedback to the user. DC motors driven through a motor driver circuit are used to perform directional movements such as forward, backward,

left, and right. An ultrasonic sensor is integrated to detect obstacles and enhance safety by preventing collisions. Monitoring components such as an LCD display and LED indicators provide real-time information regarding system status, received commands, and battery voltage. Together, these three subsystems work in coordination to deliver a reliable, responsive, and user-friendly voice-controlled robotic system.

## V. HARDWARE COMPONENTS

The main hardware components used in the system include:

- Arduino microcontroller
- Bluetooth module
- DC motors with motor driver
- Ultrasonic sensor
- LCD display
- Voltage sensor
- Potentiometer
- Bluetooth speaker for AI voice response
- Smartphone with Google Gemini AI support
- 12V rechargeable battery

These components are interconnected using connectors and supported by proper mechanical arrangements.

## VI. SOFTWARE DESIGN AND CONTROL LOGIC

The software design of the Voice Controlled AI Robot plays a crucial role in ensuring accurate interpretation of voice commands and reliable execution of robotic movements. The control logic is implemented using the Arduino platform and is responsible for handling communication, decision-making, and motor control. The software is designed in a modular manner to improve readability, flexibility, and ease of future modifications.

### 4.1 Voice Command Interface

The voice command interface serves as the primary means of interaction between the user and the robot. A smartphone application is used to capture spoken voice commands from the user. These spoken commands are processed by the application and converted into text-based control signals. Once converted, the commands are transmitted wirelessly using Bluetooth communication.

The Bluetooth module connected to the Arduino receives these control signals and forwards them to the microcontroller through serial communication. Bluetooth technology is chosen due to its low power consumption, ease of pairing, and reliability for short-range wireless communication. This interface enables hands-free and user-friendly control of the robot, eliminating the need for physical input devices.

### 4.2 Command Processing

The Arduino microcontroller continuously monitors incoming data from the Bluetooth module using serial communication protocols. When a command is received, the microcontroller compares the incoming data with predefined command strings such as forward, backward, left, right, and stop. This comparison is performed using conditional logic structures programmed within the Arduino software.

Once a valid command is identified, the Arduino executes the corresponding logic routine associated with that command. Each routine defines a specific movement pattern or action to be performed by the robot. Invalid or unrecognized commands are ignored to prevent unintended behavior. This approach ensures reliable and accurate command interpretation, even in the presence of communication noise or partial data transmission.

### 4.3 Motor Control Algorithm

The motor control algorithm is responsible for translating processed commands into physical motion. Based on the out-put of the command processing stage, the Arduino generates digital control signals that are sent to the motor driver module. The motor driver acts as an interface between the low-power Arduino outputs and the higher power requirements of the DC motors.

Directional movement is achieved by varying the logic states of the motor driver input pins. By controlling the polarity and enable signals of the motor driver, the DC motors can be driven in forward or reverse directions. Different combinations of motor activation allow the robot to move forward, backward, turn left, or turn right. This structured motor control algorithm ensures smooth movement, accurate direction control, and safe operation of the robotic system.

Based on the recognized command, the Arduino generates control signals to drive the DC motors through the motor driver circuit.

### 4.4 AI Conversation Module using Google Gemini AI

To enhance the intelligence and interactivity of the proposed Voice Controlled AI Robot, an additional AI conversational module using Google Gemini is integrated into the system.

In this module, the robot is connected to a smartphone that runs the Google Gemini AI assistant. The user communicates with the robot through voice input using the smartphone microphone.

The spoken input is processed using Gemini's advanced Natural Language Processing (NLP) capabilities. Based on the user's query, the Gemini AI generates an appropriate response. This response is then converted into speech using the smartphone's text-to-speech functionality.

The generated audio output is transmitted to a Bluetooth speaker connected to the robot system. The speaker plays the response, allowing the robot to communicate with the user in real time. This feature enables the robot not only to execute movement commands but also to provide conversational responses and information.

The integration of Gemini AI significantly enhances the system functionality by enabling question answering, information retrieval, and interactive communication. This transforms the robot from a simple voice-controlled device into an intelligent AI assistant capable of human-like interaction.

## VII. OBSTACLE DETECTION AND SAFETY FEATURES

Safety is a critical aspect of mobile robotic systems, particularly when operating in dynamic environments. To ensure safe navigation, the proposed Voice Controlled AI Robot is equipped with an ultrasonic sensor for obstacle detection. The ultrasonic sensor operates by emitting high-frequency ultrasonic pulses and measuring the time taken for the reflected signals to return after striking an object. Using this time-of-flight information, the distance between the robot and the obstacle is calculated.

The Arduino microcontroller continuously monitors the distance data obtained from the ultrasonic sensor. If an obstacle is detected within a predefined threshold distance, the system automatically initiates a safety response. This response may include halting the robot's movement or restricting further motion in the detected direction. By implementing this mechanism, the risk of collisions and potential damage to the robot or surrounding objects is significantly reduced. In addition to obstacle detection, battery safety is ensured through continuous voltage monitoring. A voltage sensor measures the battery level in real time and sends this data to the Arduino. The measured voltage is displayed on the LCD, enabling the user to monitor battery status and perform timely charging. This feature helps prevent deep discharge, extends battery life, and ensures reliable system operation. Battery voltage is monitored using a voltage sensor, and the measured values are displayed on the LCD to prevent deep discharge.

### VIII. DISPLAY AND FEEDBACK SYSTEM

The display and feedback system provides essential real-time information to the user, enhancing system usability and monitoring. An LCD display is integrated into the robot to present key operational parameters. The LCD displays the current system status, the most recently received voice command, and the battery voltage level. This visual feedback allows users to easily verify correct command execution and overall system health. In addition to the LCD, red LEDs are used as visual indicators to represent different system states. These LEDs indicate power availability, command execution, and system activity, providing quick visual confirmation of robot operation. A potentiometer is included to allow user-level customization, such as adjusting the robot’s movement speed or modifying sensor sensitivity. This adjustability enables smoother control and adaptability to different operating conditions.

### IX. POWER SUPPLY DESIGN

The power supply system is designed to provide stable and reliable energy to all electronic components of the robot. The robot is powered using a 12V rechargeable battery, which supplies sufficient current for the Arduino microcontroller, motor driver, DC motors, and sensors. A slide switch is incorporated to allow manual control of the power supply, enabling the user to safely turn the system ON or OFF. For charging purposes, a female power jack is provided, allowing the battery to be recharged using a 12V, 2A external adapter. Proper power regulation ensures that appropriate voltage levels are delivered to each component, preventing voltage fluctuations that could affect system performance. This power supply design ensures consistent operation, enhances component safety, and supports long-term reliability of the robotic system.

### X. BLOCK DIAGRAM

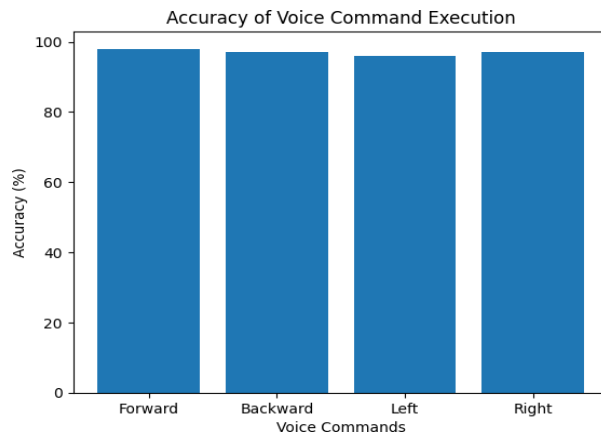


Fig. 2. Accuracy of voice command execution for different movement commands

### XI. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

Fig. 2 illustrates the accuracy of voice command execution for different motion commands, including forward, backward, left, and right movements. The experimental results indicate that the proposed system achieved an accuracy ranging between 96%. The consistent performance across different commands confirms that the Arduino-based processing and motor control algorithms function efficiently under normal operating conditions. Slight variations in accuracy were observed among certain commands, which can be primarily attributed to external factors such as background environmental noise, variations in user speech pronunciation, and delays introduced during voice-to-text conversion in the smartphone application. Additionally, minor latency in Bluetooth data transmission may also contribute to occasional command recognition errors. Despite these variations, the overall results validate the robustness and practical feasibility of the proposed Voice Controlled AI Robot. The system demonstrates reliable command execution with minimal error rates, making it suitable for real-world applications in educational, automation, and assistive robotic systems.

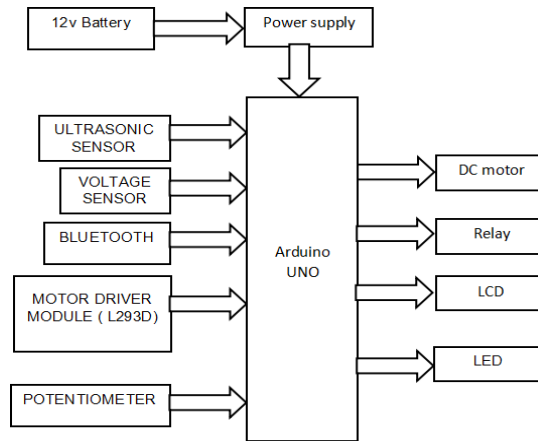


Fig. 1. Block diagram

## XII. APPLICATIONS

The Voice Control AI Robot can be applied in:

- Smart home automation
- Assistive robotics
- Educational robotics laboratories
- Hands-free navigation systems
- Healthcare and Hospital Assistance
- AI-based conversational assistant
- Educational AI interaction platform

## XIII. CONCLUSION

This paper presented the design and implementation of a Voice Control AI Robot using Arduino and Bluetooth communication. The system offers reliable voice-based control, obstacle detection, and real-time monitoring in a cost-effective and expandable platform. The Voice Controlled AI Robot was successfully designed and implemented using Arduino and Bluetooth technology. The system effectively processes voice commands received from a smartphone application and performs corresponding movement operations with high accuracy. The integration of an ultrasonic sensor ensures safe operation by preventing collisions, while battery voltage monitoring and real-time feedback through an LCD and LEDs enhance system reliability and usability. This project demonstrates the practical application of embedded systems, wireless communication, and basic robotics using low-cost components. Due to its simplicity, reliability, and expandability, the proposed system is suitable for educational purposes, smart automation, and assistive robotic applications, and it provides a strong foundation for future enhancements.

## XIV. FUTURE SCOPE

Future enhancements may include IoT integration, onboard speech recognition, autonomous navigation, and camera-based vision systems. The proposed Voice Controlled AI Robot can be enhanced by integrating Wi-Fi and IoT technologies to enable remote monitoring and control. Advanced AI-based voice recognition techniques can be implemented to improve command accuracy and support natural language interaction. In addition, autonomous navigation features may be introduced to allow independent operation without continuous user input. The inclusion of camera-based vision systems can further extend the robot's capabilities by enabling object detection and intelligent decision-making. These enhancements would broaden the system's applicability in smart automation, assistive robotics, and advanced research applications.

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