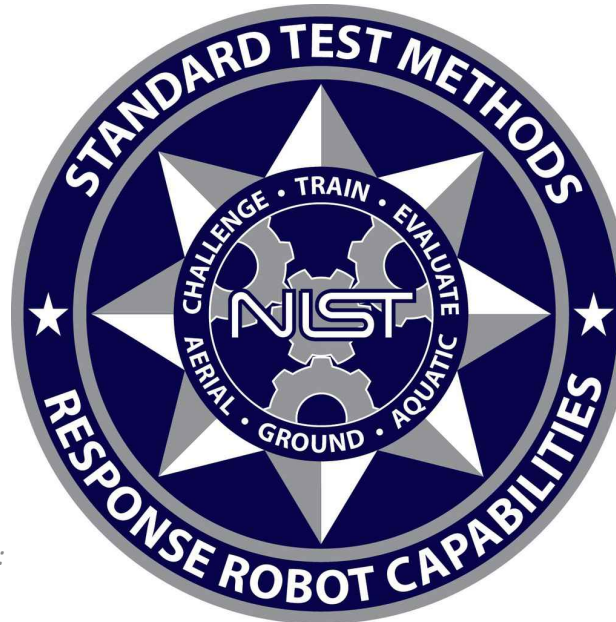


# Maneuvering and Mobility Tests

## Ground Robots

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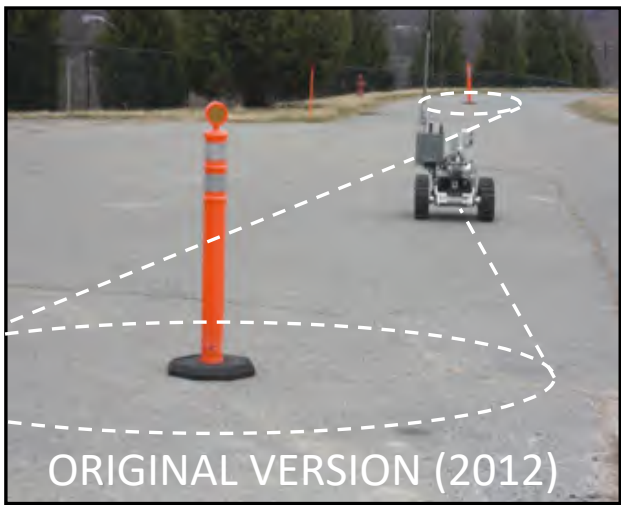
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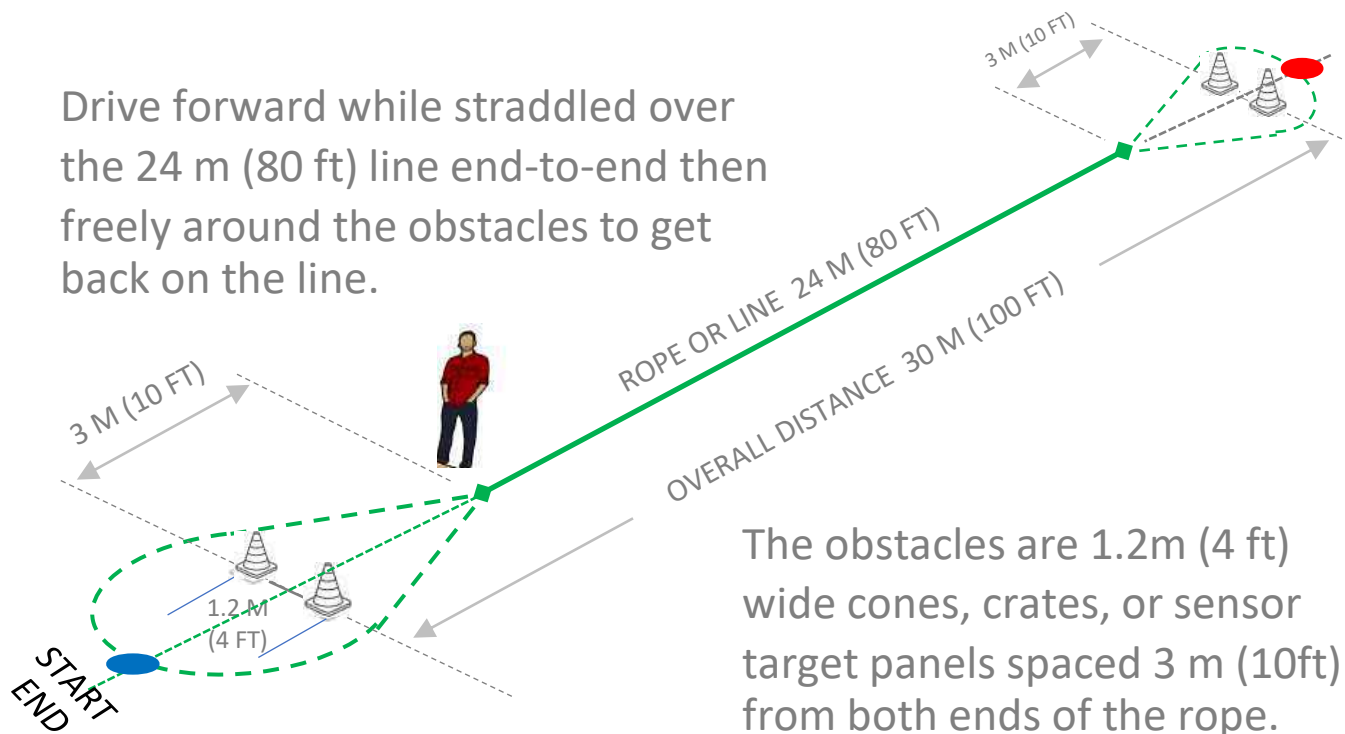
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# Maneuvering: Sustain Speed (Forward Only)

## ASTM E2829



Drive forward while straddled over the 24 m (80 ft) line end-to-end then freely around the obstacles to get back on the line.

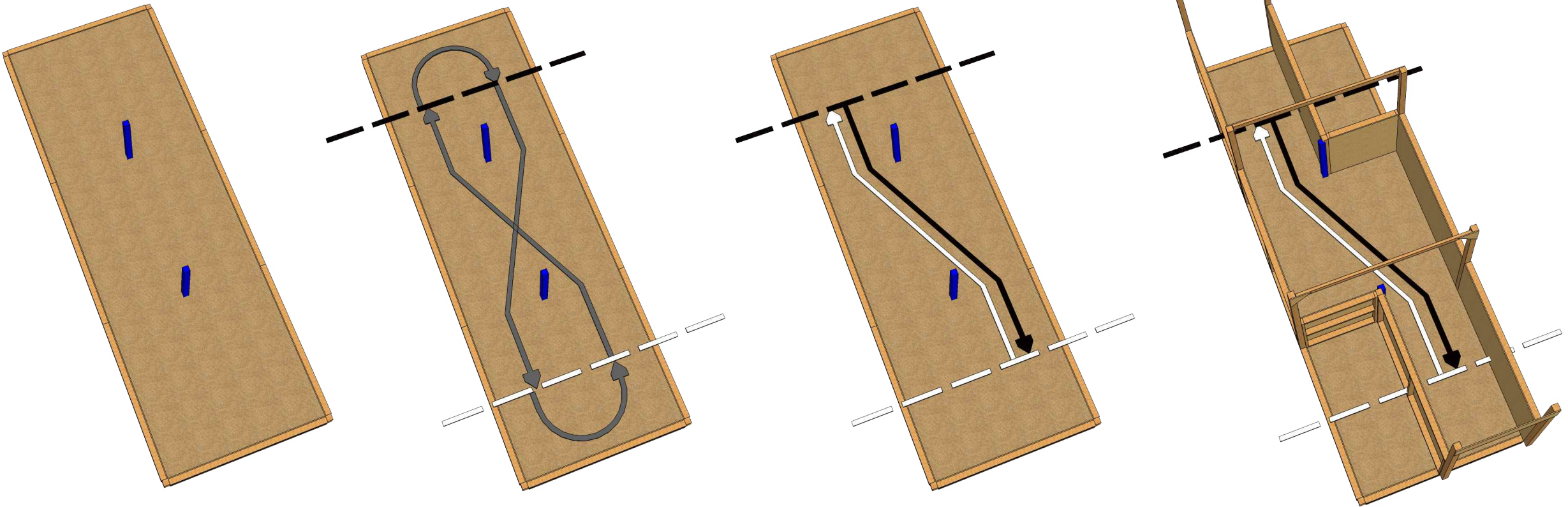


CARRY CRATE WEIGHT  
(Some Visual Blockage)



# Options for Robot Paths

## Maneuvering Tests

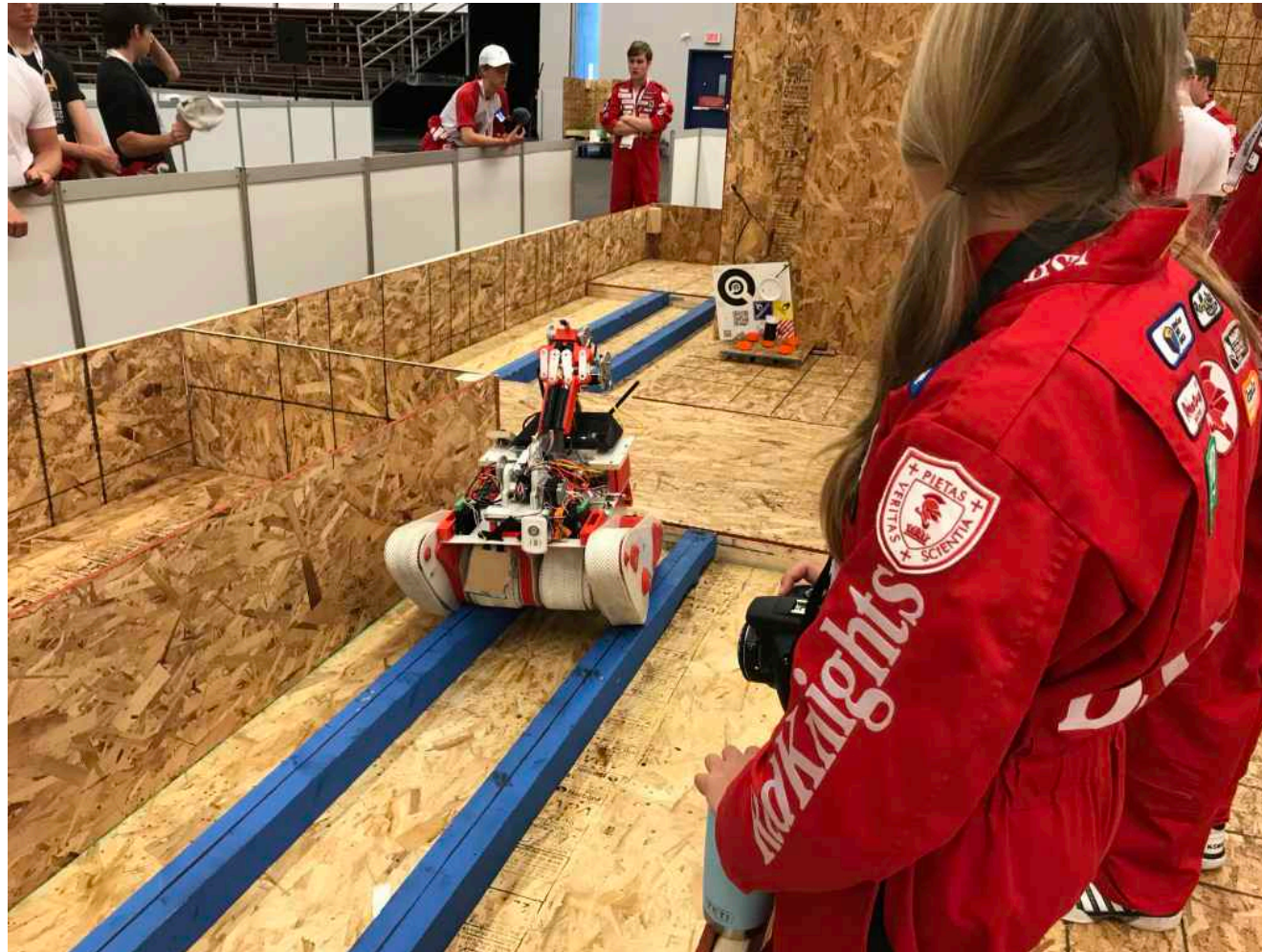


**FLAT FIGURE-8 PATH  
CONTINUOUS DOWNRANGE  
(2012)**

**ZIG-ZAG PATH  
FORWARD and REVERSE  
(2019)**

# Maneuvering: Align Ground Contacts (Forward/Reverse)

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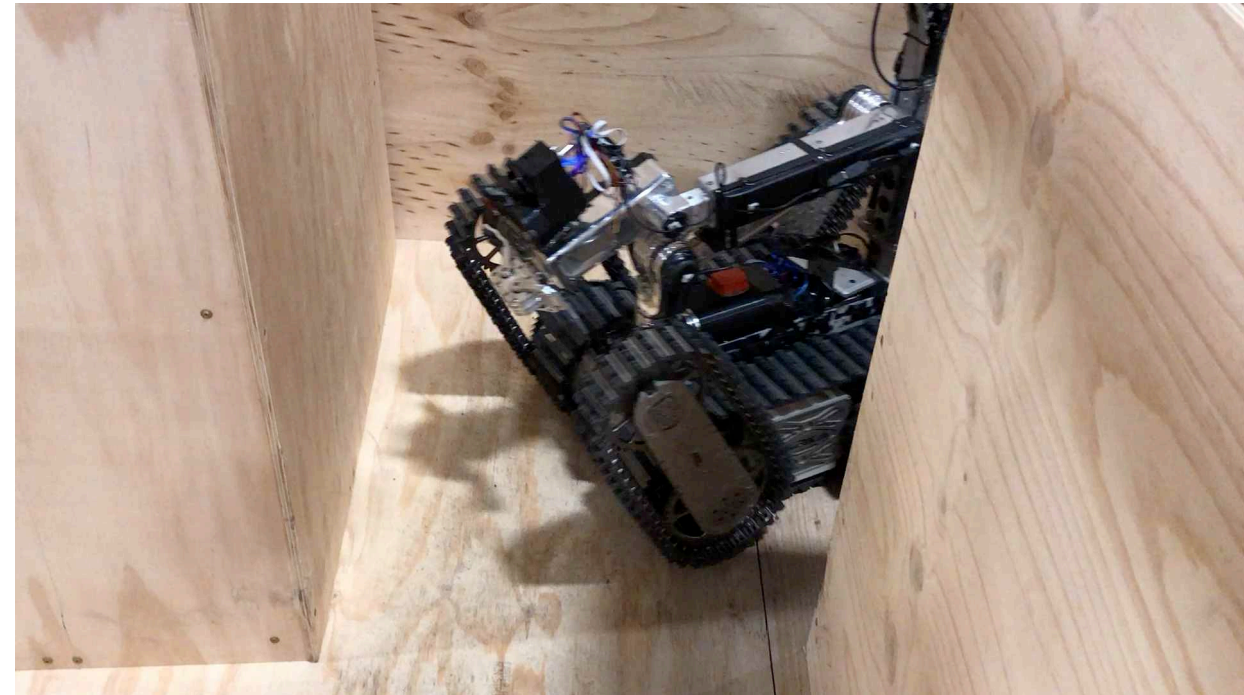
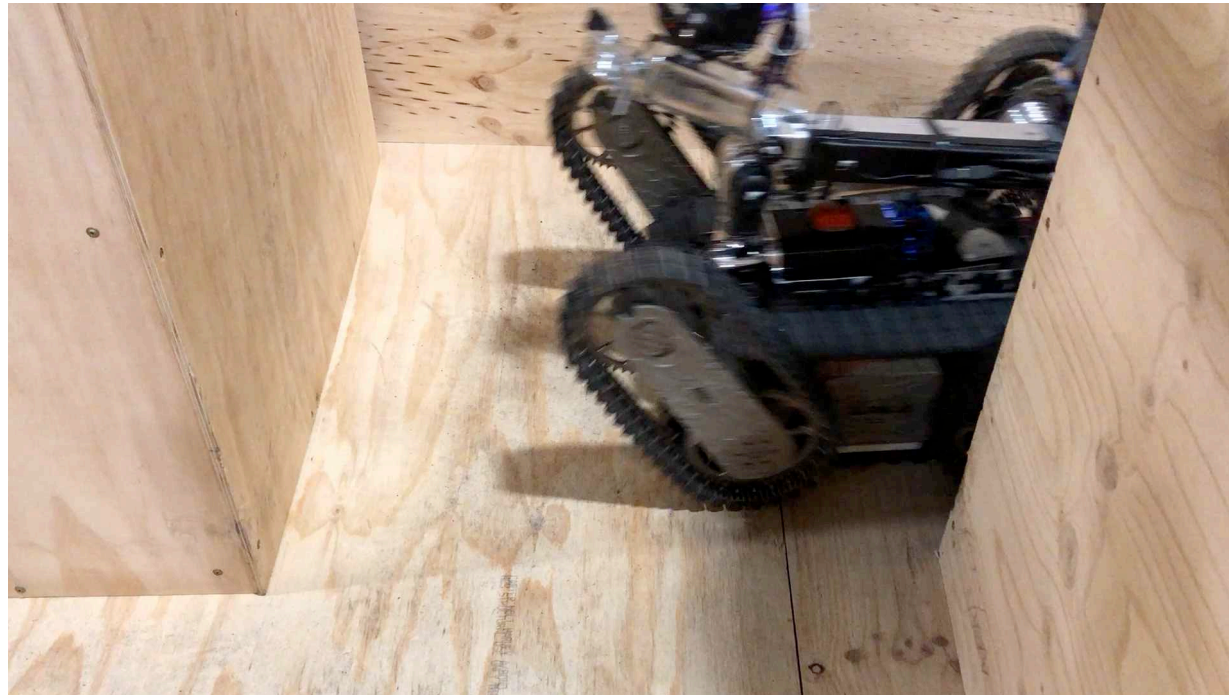


# Maneuvering: Center Through Turns (Forward/Reverse)

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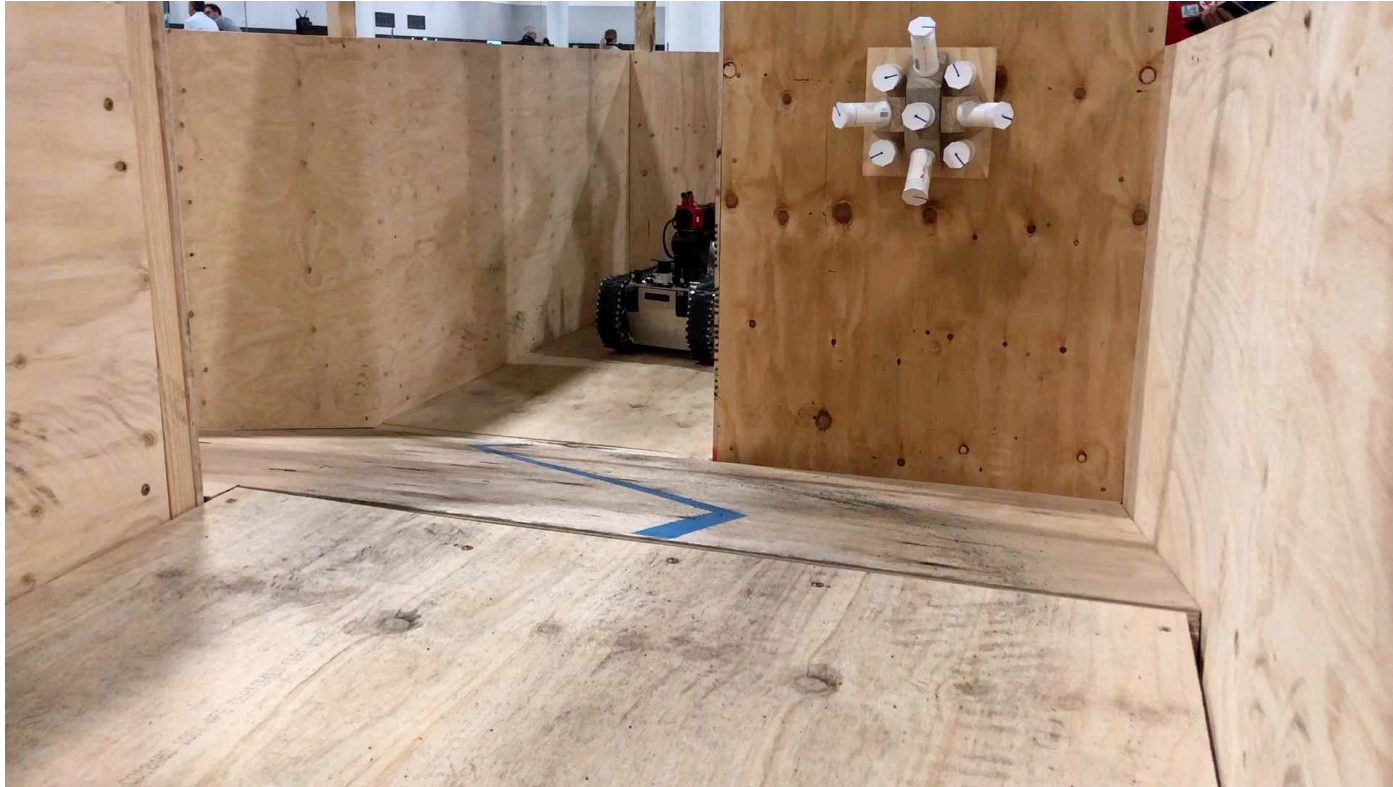
SPACE = ROBOT DIAGONAL  
(GROUND PROJECTION)

SPACE = 120% ROBOT WIDTH  
(ENCOURAGING AUTONOMY)



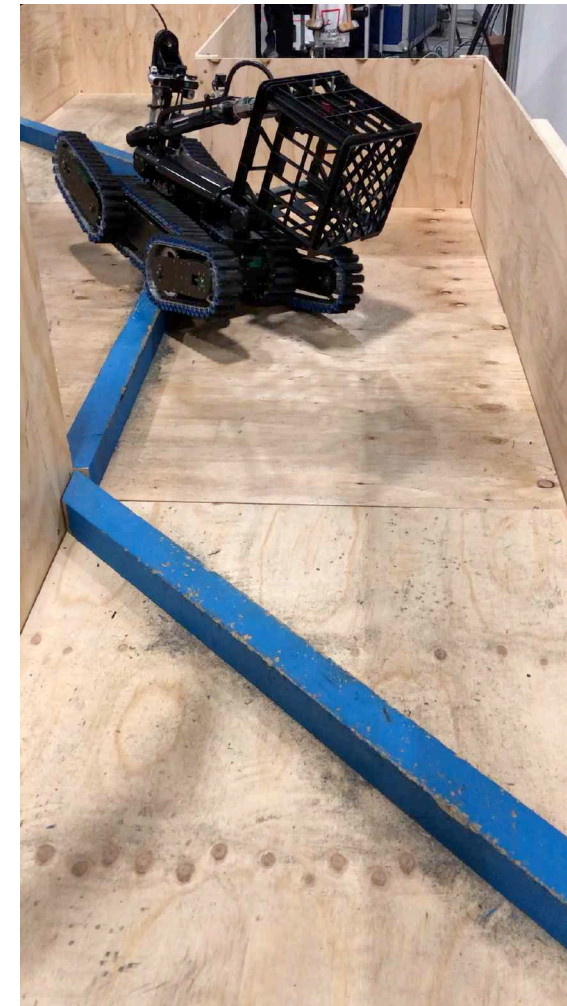
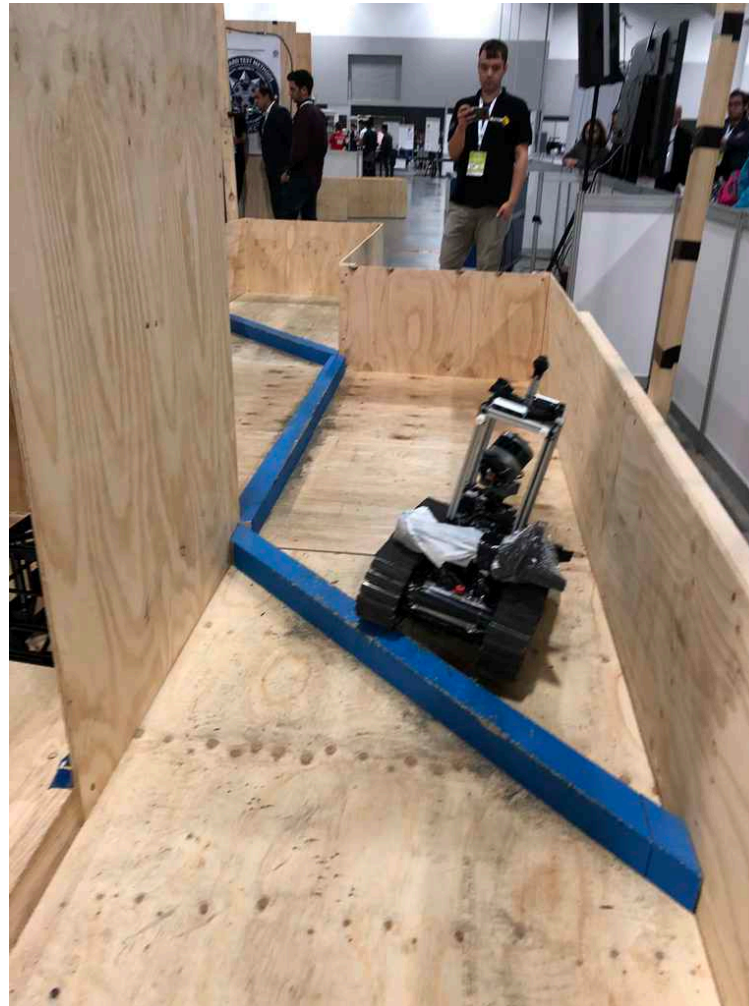
# Maneuvering: Traverse Inclines (Forward/Reverse)

## ASTM E2803



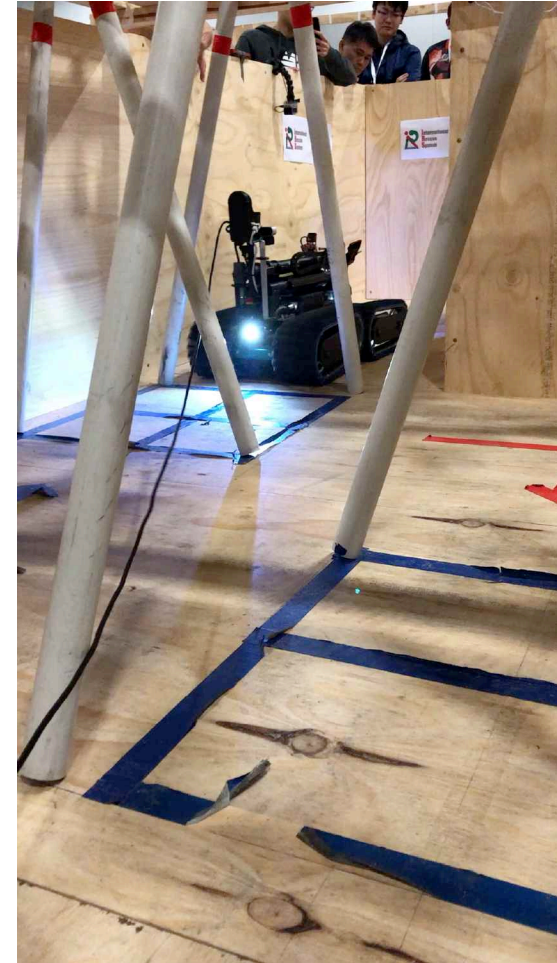
# Maneuvering: Diagonal Curbs (Forward/Reverse)

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# Maneuvering: Negotiate Leaning Obstacles (Forward/Reverse)

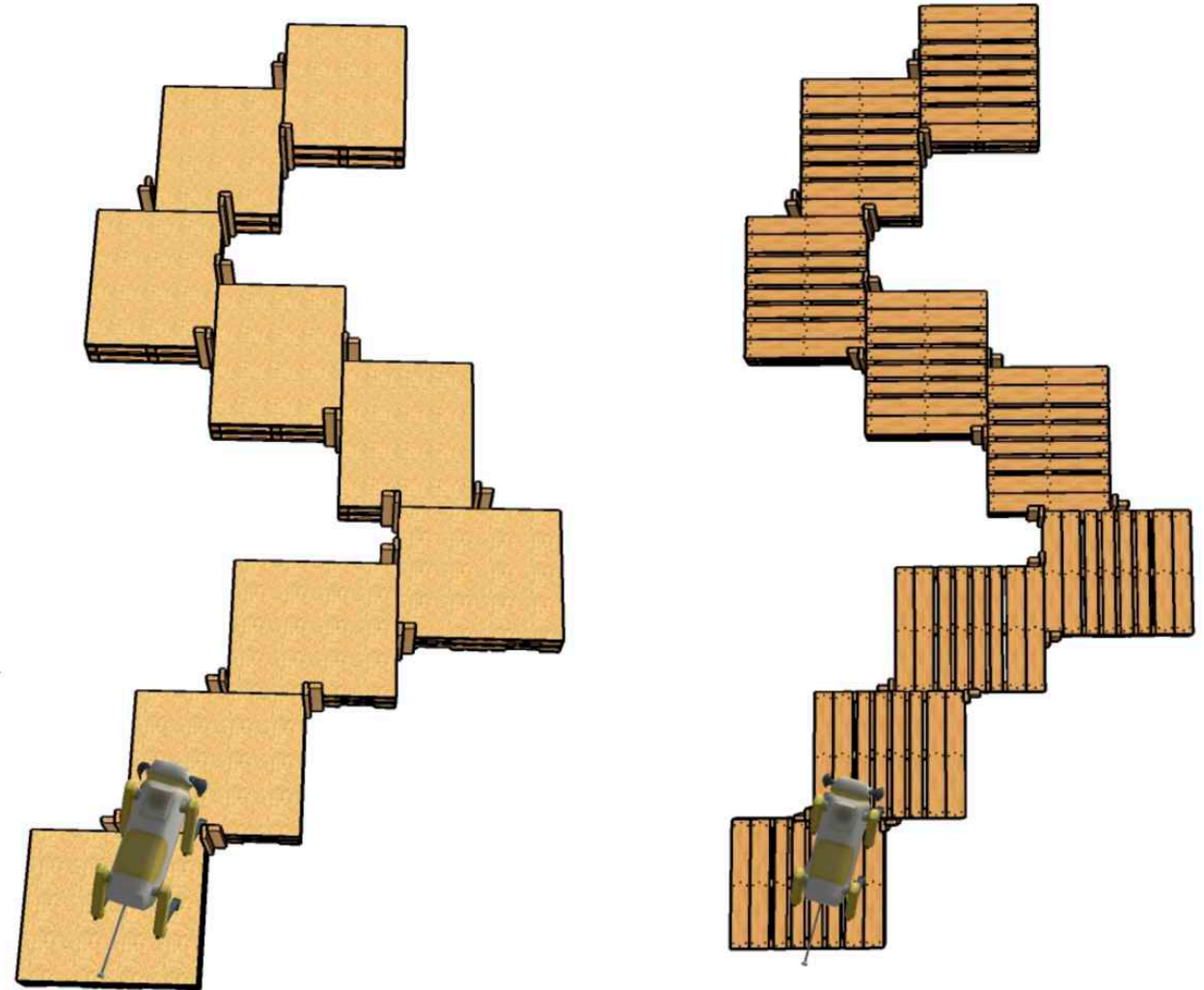
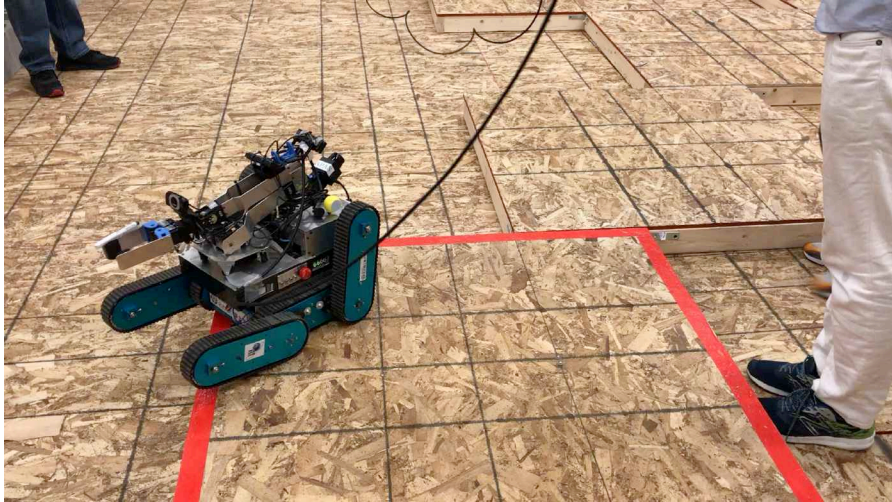
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# Maneuvering: Avoid Positive & Negative Obstacles (Autonomous)

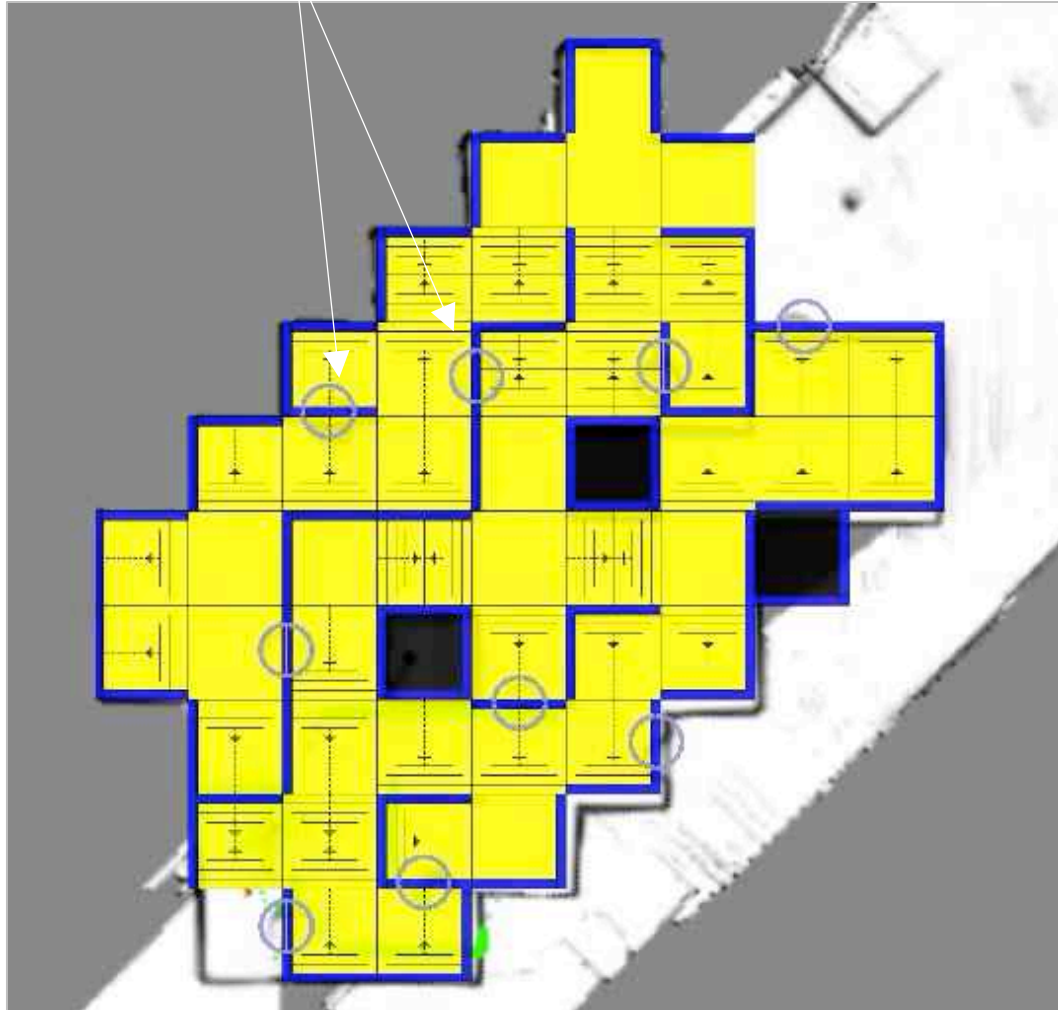
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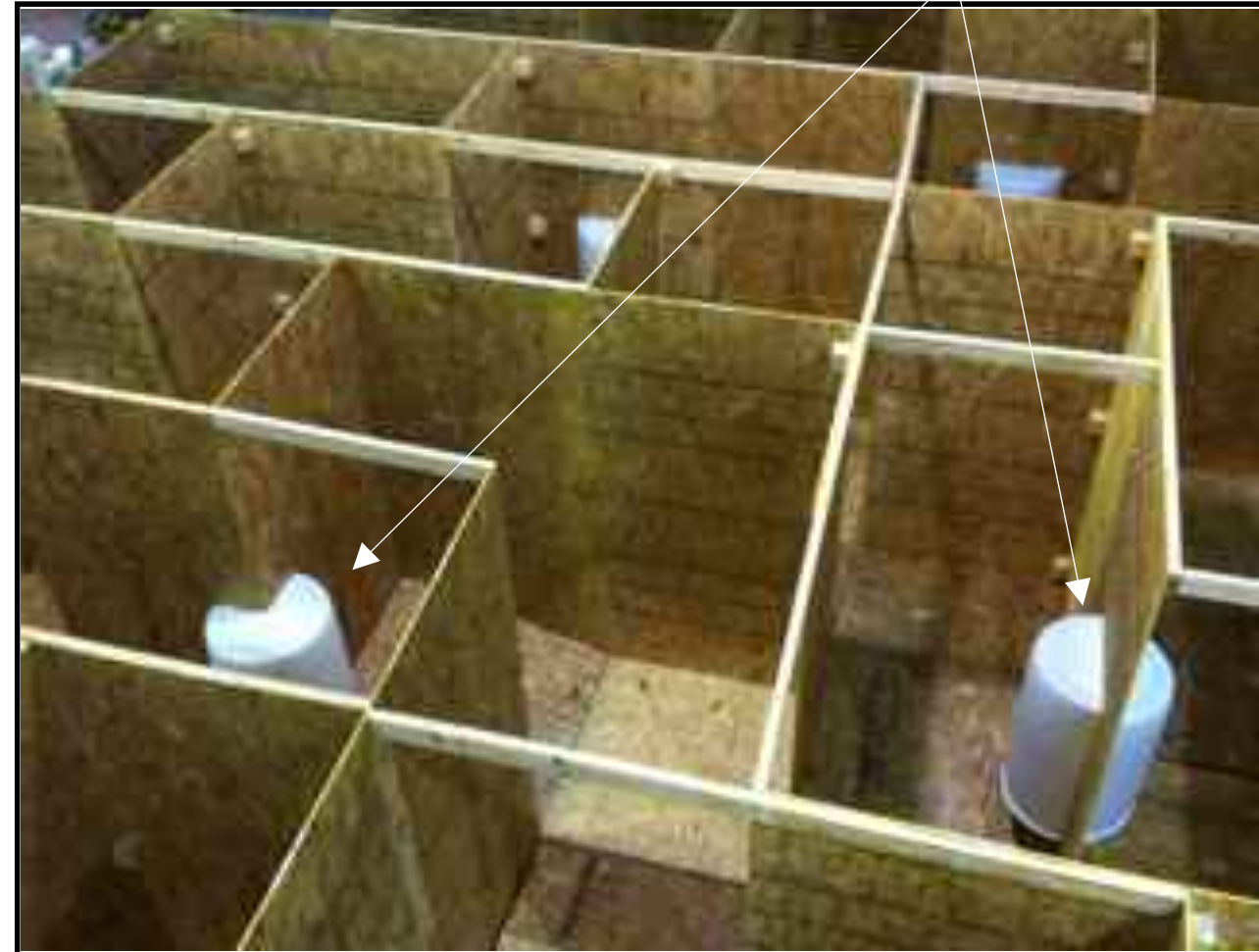
# Maneuvering/HIS: Search Labyrinth/Maze

## ASTM E2853

Mapping Fiducials (Half Barrels)

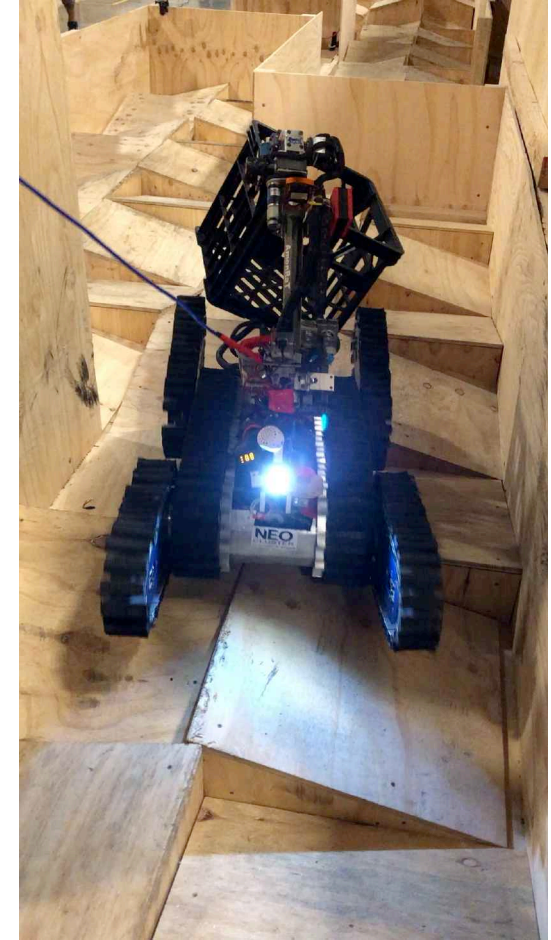


Mapping Fiducials (Half Barrels)



# Mobility: Continuous or Crossing Pitch/Roll Ramp Terrain

## ASTM E2826 or ASTM E2627



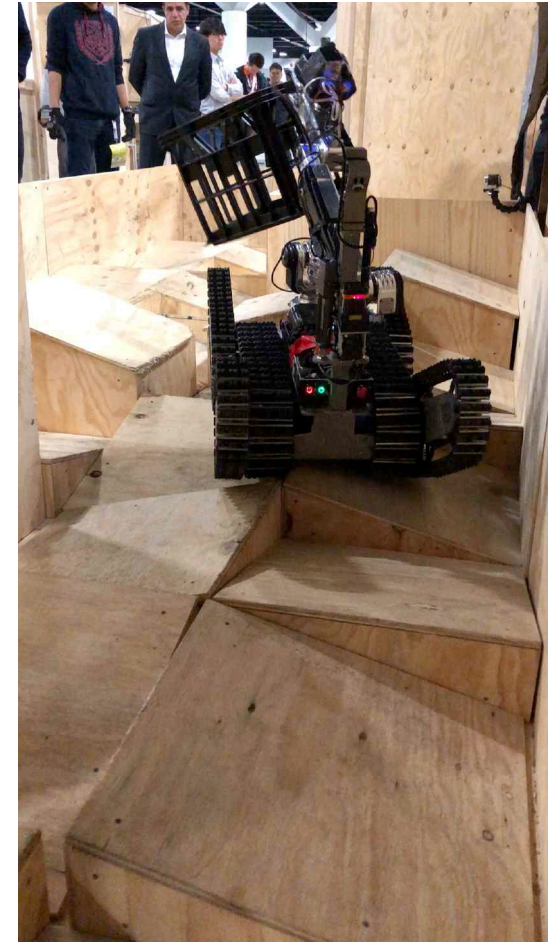
# Mobility: Elevated Crossing Ramp Terrain

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MOBILITY CONFIGURATION



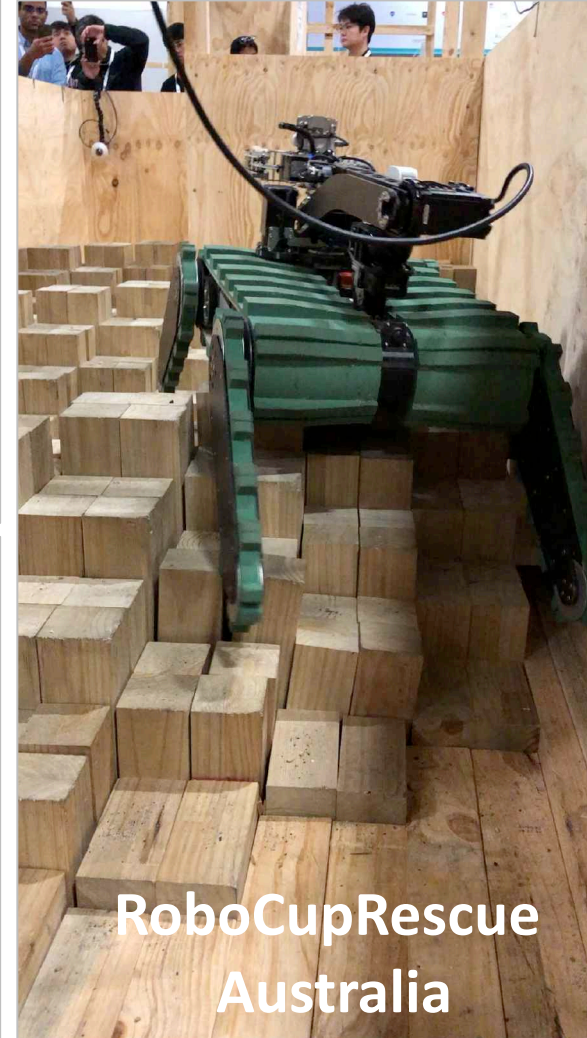
CARRYING WEIGHTED CRATE



# Mobility: Symmetric Stepfield Terrain

## ASTM E2828

ORIGINAL  
CONTINUOUS  
FIGURE-8 PATH



REVISED  
FORWARD/REVERSE  
ZIGZAG PATH

# Mobility: New Crate Terrains (for Legged Robots)

ASTM WK \_\_\_\_\_

Originally designed for the DARPA Robotics Challenge for Disaster Response (2012-2015). But the Robots were too big and heavy, so we used cinder blocks.

These pop-up terrains are easy to purchase, set up, and stow. Very reconfigurable.



Diagonal Hill – Solid Surfaces  
(all crate stacks upside-down)



Pyramid Hill – Checkered Surfaces  
(every other crate stack upside-down)



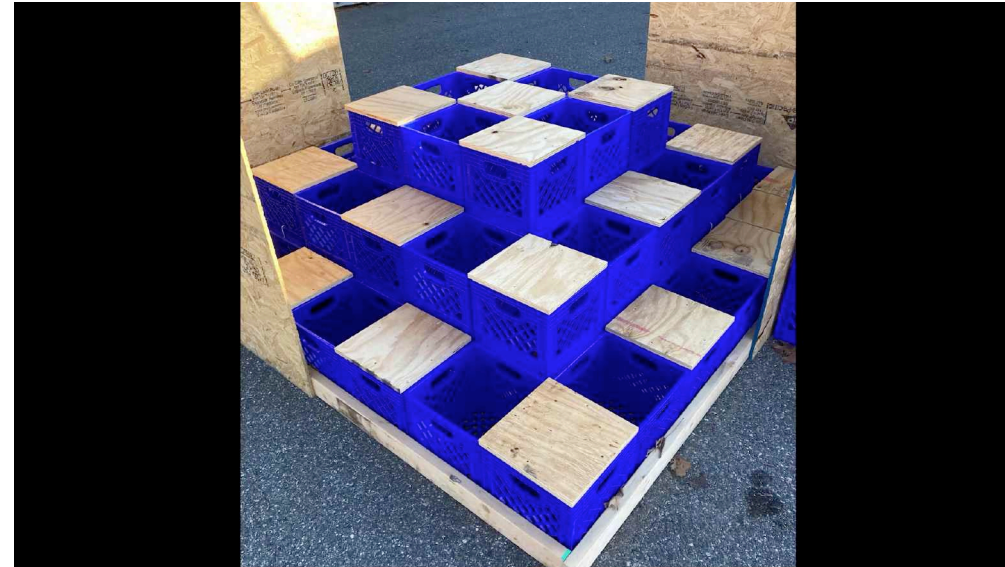
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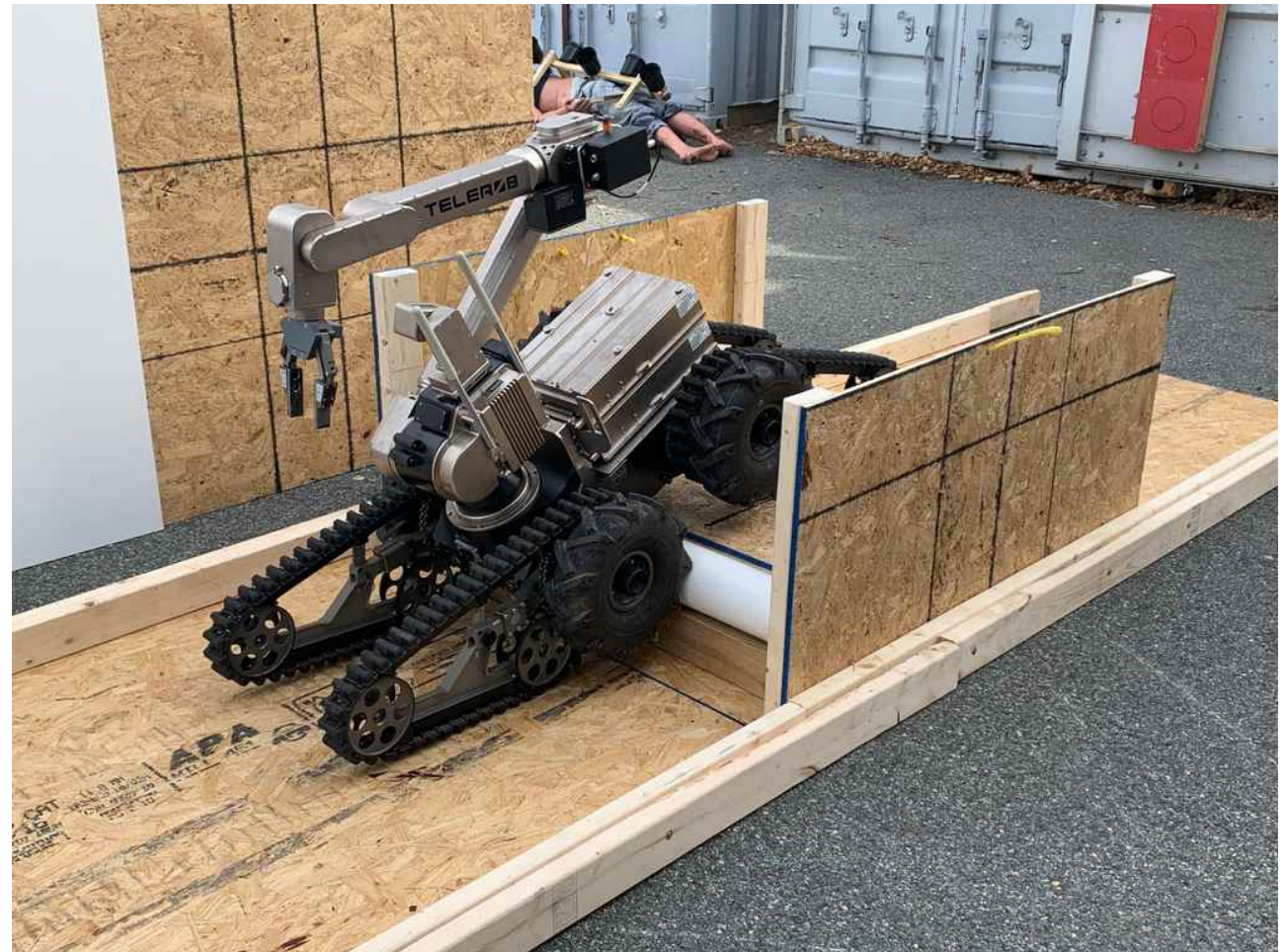


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# Mobility: Variable Hurdle Obstacle

## ASTM E2802





# Mobility: Variable Stair Obstacle

## ASTM E2804



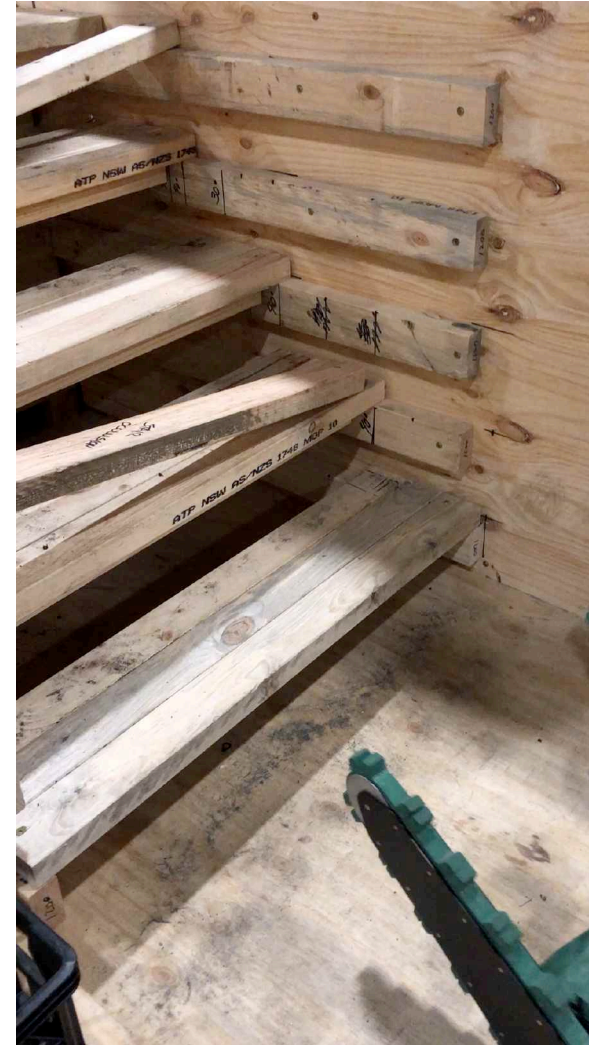
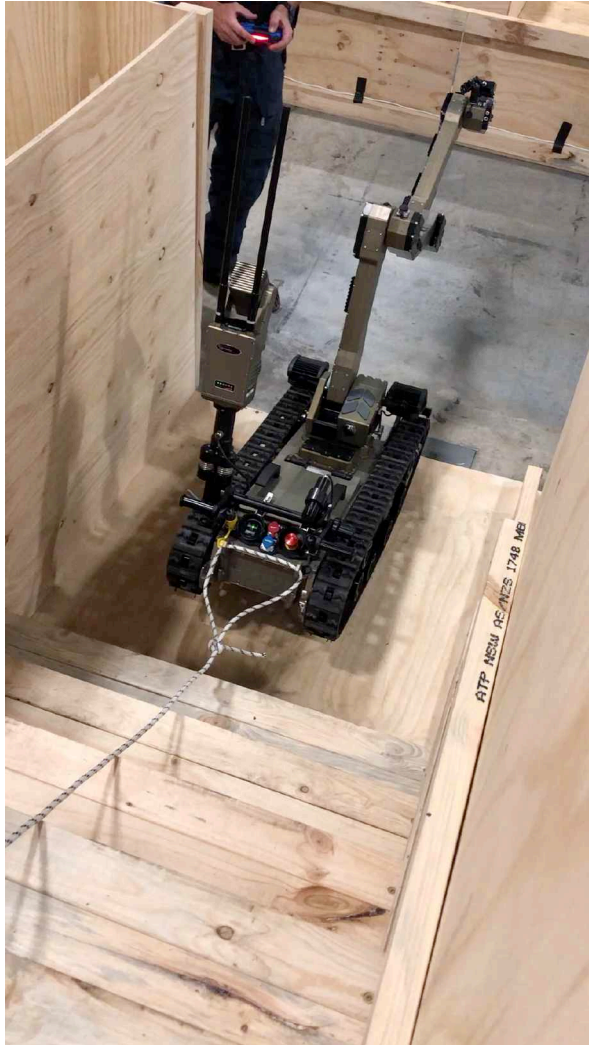
# Mobility: Variable Stair Obstacle

## ASTM E2804



# Mobility: Variable Stair Obstacle with Debris

## ASTM E2804



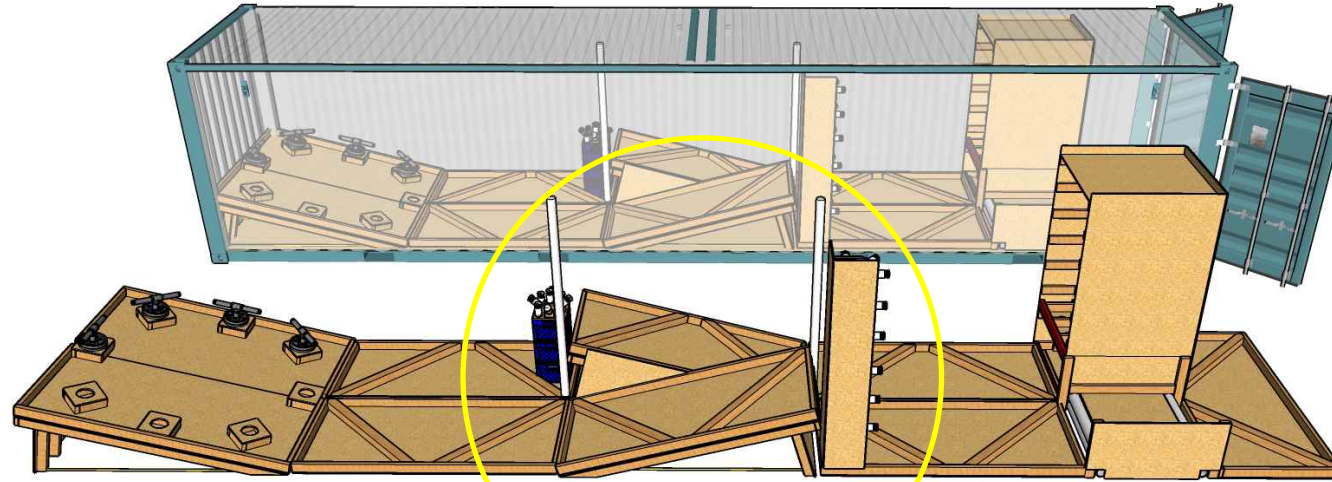
# Mobility: Crossover Slopes (Sand, Gravel, or Low Friction OSB)

ASTM E2991, E2992



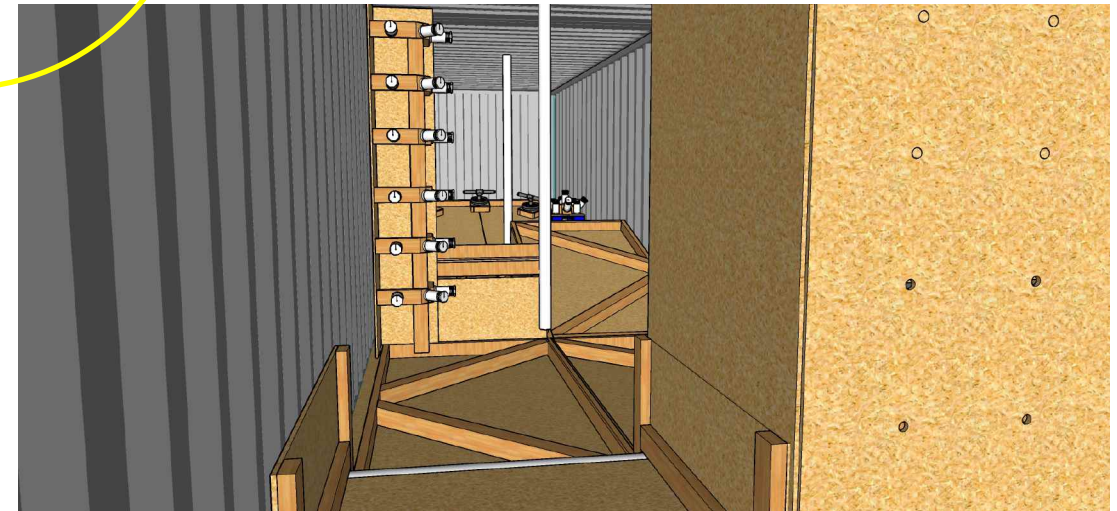
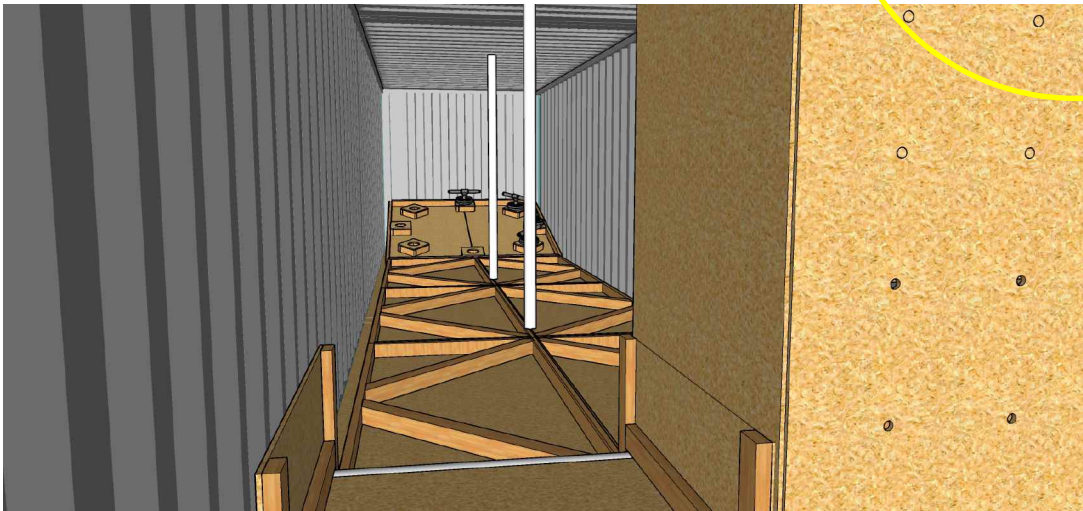
# Shipping Container Facilities (Buy or Rent)

## Maneuvering and Dexterity



FLAT FIGURE-8

CROSSOVER SLOPES



# Mission Essential Tasks

## C-IED/EOD



**Open Doors**



**Surmount Hurdle**



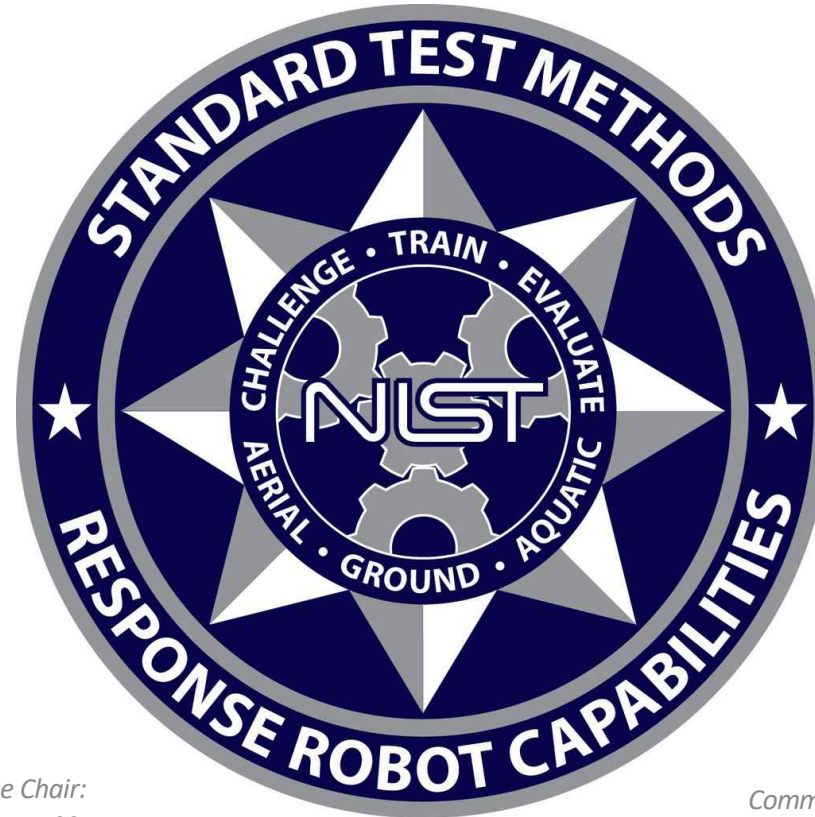
**Ascend/Descend  
Stairs**



**Entangle Obstacles**



**Negotiate Hallways**



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