# Local Navigation System

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"Local Navigation System"

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## <u>Objective</u>

To build cost effective and reliable local positioning device for blind and elderly. . . Navigation Aid for blind, elderly, and other groups in: - hospitals - big buildings - campuses

- museums

#### **Introduction**

- Underlying Idea
  - Vector Addition

- Conversion of Polar to Cartesian coordinates

#### Concepts

Position of the user is continuously monitored

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### **Restrictions/Assumptions**

Shortest path has been calculated and the following data are provided: X-Y coordinates of the check points **Referenced Angles**  $\mathbf{b}$ Step size of the person is known Path are straight lines Device cannot be operated near any source of magnetic field

### Integrated Circuit Chips

BASIC Stamp Module – BS2



# CMPS03 Compass Module



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#### **Sensors and Actuators**

Red LED (2) Green LED (1) Piezo-speaker (1)

SPST Momentary Button (1)
SPST on/off Button (1)



Mechanical pedometer (step detector)

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### **AutoCAD Diagrams**



#### 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Demo Video



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#### Video Displaying Vector Addition



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### **Testing Results**

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Testing

- Detected All the check point locations in the accuracy of 1 step
- Safely guided from initial position to final position in 8 out of 10 times

Success rate 80%

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Testing

Safely guided from initial position to final position in 7 out of 10 times

Success rate 70%

Note: compass readings are not very accurate due to the presence of electrical wires and devices

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#### PBasic 2.1 Codes

#### Demo in 5th Floor

DEMO 7th FLOOR.bs2

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#### **Problems**

- Wasted a lot of time and money on ADLX202EB
   IC accelerometer
- 2) Conversions for trigonometric function
- 3) BS2 doesn't support negative numbers
- 4) Tilt of the compass as person walks



5) Thresholds required for accurate calculations of checkpoint

### **Cost Estimation**

Parts	Cost
BS2 & Board of Education	\$115.00
CMPS03	\$50.00
Pedometer	\$15.00
External Protection	\$8.00
Buttons	\$3.00
Miscellaneous	\$17.00
Total	\$208.00

P.S. Additional \$53.00 was spent on the ADX202EB chip (not used in the final model) Polytechnic University

### Future Plans

Replace mechanical pedometer with Accelerometer chip
Develop the code to calculate path itself when the map is provided
More efficient error handling
Better user interface
Develop the model to work for Larger Areas

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### <u>Conclusion</u>

The outcome of this project - Local Navigation System (LNS) is:

- 1. simple to use
- 2. not expensive

3. and in future miniature device

 It's the best possible solution for local navigation where global positioning system is not applicable.

 The LNS is designed for diverse groups of people and is especially useful for Blind and elderly.