A quadrotor controlled in real-time using hand gestures and ROS2 multi-node communication within GAZEBO 3D environment

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Abstract: This paper introduces a novel way of designing and controlling a quadrotor prototype using hand gestures, utilising the Robotic Operating System 2 (ROS2) and GAZEBO11 3D environment. A C++-based plug-in was created for GAZEBO, while the cross-platform pipeline framework Media-Pipe was used to manage the quadrotor's movements through hand gestures. The PID regulator was utilised to enhance the movements' accuracy and responsiveness, leading to a more efficient and precise response to user commands for a better user experience. The obtained results demonstrated that the PID regulator improved the response of the quadrotor to hand gestures with greater accuracy.

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