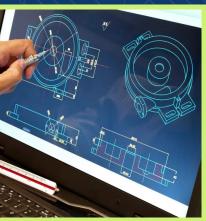




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SECTION CHAIR'S MESSAGE





Happy Spring Long Island Section Leaders. It is indeed a Happy Spring! On March 21st we delivered a stellar IEEE Long Island Section Awards

Banquet that continues to be praised by the attendees, supporters, vendors and service providers. Congratulations to all of the honorees and award recipients for your contributions.

A heartfelt thank you to our keynote speaker, Professor Chad Bouton, whose captivating speech about "Revolutionizing Medicine with Brain Interfaces and AI" was the highlight of the night.

Finally, thank you to all of



the volunteers who helped to make it a grand success.

A special pictorial edition of *The Pulse of Long Island* will be published and distributed next month, so please stay tuned.

Warm Regards,

Rhonda Green

2024 IEEE Long Island Section Chair chair@ieee.li



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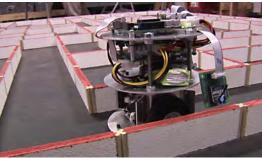
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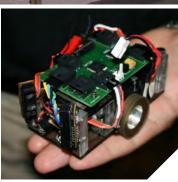
The IEEE Robotics and Automation Society of Long Island is sponsoring:

The 2nd ANNUAL MICROMOUSE COMPETITION of LONG ISLAND









WHEN:

May 10, 2024

WHERE:

NYIT, Anna Rubin Hall Room Aarh- 310/12 Old Westbury, N.Y.

TIME:

11:00 AM - Set-up 1:00 PM - Competition

FFF.

There is no entry fee for this event. Professional and college entries must be IEEE members.

In addition to the traditional Micromouse Competition, in which a palm sized automous robot navigates a maze to a designated destination, a second robotics competition is scheduled: "Corsa Libirinto". "Corsa" is a labyrinth race which can be entered with the same or a different micromouse autonomouse racebot. In this race, a pit crew can service the racebot during the race.

In addition, a new professionals division has been established for college graduates and graduate students.

MICROMOUSE 2024 DIVISIONS:

- Professionals
- College
- High school



All IEEE Student Members and Members are eligible to participate. High School Students (non-IEEE Member) will attend a 30-minute Introduction Session about IEEE and how IEEE can help them when they are Undergraduate Students at a college.

All competitor teams give presentations of their robots prior to the competition, vying for the "best presentation" prize and then compete in the micromouse competition and the labyrinth race for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each.

For a copy of the competition guidelines/rules and registration information, e-mail event coordinator, Dr. Andrew R. Sass at: arshacker@aol.com

REGISTRATION:

To participate in the Competition, please register by filling out registation form below by clicking on this link: https://forms.gle/3Hnj3RTrb9A1Nnfo9

If you have questions, please email Dr. Andrew R. Sass, Vice Chair, IEEE RAS of Long Island at: arshacker@aol.com









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LECTURE, LUNCH AND DINNER PROGRAM SCHEDULE:		
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1:30 PM – 4:30 PM	WORKSHOP #2: Topic to Be Announced	(SHOP
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	NETWORKING LUNCH (Complimentary)	
1:00 PM - 7:00 PM	EXHIBITS	
1:00 PM - 1:45 PM	LECTURE #1: Topic to Be Announced	
2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	LECTURE #2: Topic to Be Announced	TECHI SESS
3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	LECTURE #3: Topic to Be Announced	CHNICAL
4:00 PM – 4:45 PM	LECTURE #4: Topic to Be Announced	
5:00 PM - 5:45 PM	WELCOME and KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Ethical & Social Issues of Artificial Intelligence Prof, Ali G. Hassami, Chair & Technical Editor IEEE 7000 Technology Ethics Satandard/Director VEGA Systems	
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	ACKNOWLEDGMENTS and CLOSING REMARKS	
6:30 - 8:00 PM	NETWORKING DINNER (Complimentary) with Cash Bar	

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at the MIT E **MICROMOUSE COMPETITION**

BY RACHEL LEONG, KYLE HAN, AND CHRISTOPHER LOBATO

OCTOBER 2023

Group photo of everyone attending the MIT Micromouse event (from left to right - Aritro Sarkar, Kyle Han, Brian Fong, Daniel Kapriyelov, Thomas Montchal, Johnny Liu, Ilan Messing, Kanad Telang, Rachel Leong, Christopher Lobato, Summer Wang, Anna Li, and Jaima Choudhury)

When the IEEE Stony Brook University Student Branch attended the IEEE Micromouse Competition at MIT last year, we were inspired to design our own mini maze-solving robot. After months of developing our first Micromouse, we won first place at the NYIT Micromouse Competition in May 2023. Since then, we've been refining our design in hopes of reaching that 2x2-celled goal.

"We finished in second place and performed way better than I ever imagined when I began working on the mouse."

ILAN MESSING

We eagerly awaited our next opportunity to compete, this time aiming to bring more students, teams, and Micromice. That opportunity arrived via an email from Gim Soon Wan, extending an

invitation from vTools to compete at the IEEE MIT Micromouse Competition.

The event was scheduled for October 7, leaving us just two weeks to plan our trip from Stony Brook University to MIT. By promoting Micromouse and IEEE-related activities through our

OPS Workshop Series, we assembled three teams of students for the competition at MIT. The first team, WolfRatAlpha, included Kyle Han, Rachel Leong, Christopher Lobato, and

"... it was challenging solving problems I didn't expect to encounter while building the mouse." **BRIAN FONG**

Thomas Montchal. The second team, WolfRatSigma, comprised Daniel Kapriyelov, Johnny Liu, and Ilan Messing. The third team, "The Official IEEE at SBU Micromouse," featured Brian Fong and Kanad Telang. Additionally, we planned to bring spectators to support the teams and learn about Micromouse, totaling 14 attendees.



Team WofRatAlpha begins their run as onlookers eagerly await the finish.

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Organizing an overnight trip for fourteen people from Stony Brook, NY, to Cambridge, MA, presented several logistical challenges beyond the technical difficulties of creating a Micromouse. The estimated cost for the trip significantly

"... being in the midst of such a competitive environment gave me a deeper understanding of the intensity and excitement of the competition... it was an remarkable and unforgettable experience."

Over two weeks, the IEEE at SBU executive board tirelessly prepared grant applications, as well as housing and transportation plans, to ensure everyone could attend. After presentations to IEEE Long Island Section, the Stony Brook University

exceeded our budget.

JAIMA CHOUDHURY

Under-graduate Student Government, and potential company sponsors, we secured over \$3000 in additional funding, covering registration fees, transportation, housing, and some meals. We booked hotel rooms the night before the event, right after our grant was approved.

Upon arriving at MIT's Stata Center after a long drive through rain, fog, and city traffic, we were among the first students to enter the competition venue.



Members of WolfRatAlpha and "The Official IEEE at SBU Micromouse" work together to debug their code

(from left to right - Christopher Lobato, Thomas Montchal, Kanad Telang, and Brian Fong)



Johnny Liu and Jaima Choudhury placing walls according to the maze map

Four awards—a golden 1st, a silver 2nd and 3rd, and a cerulean Best Design—stood on a table in the center. As volunteers prepared the competition maze, our students helped assemble it, setting up a challenging environment for the Micromice.

As the maze took shape, our teams fine-tuned their robots, each facing unique challenges. WolfRat Sigma worked on overcoming phantom walls

WolfRat Alpha focused on implementing a reliable algorithm without causing a "segmentation fault," and "The Official IEEE at Stony Brook University Micromouse" team struggled with wall

"As I watched the teams racing their mice through the intricate maze, the sheer excitement in the air was palpable."

KYLE HAN

detection. Other universities joined, adding to the competitive atmosphere.

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Ilan Messing and Daniel Kapriyelov watch as their mouse navigates its way around the unfinished maze

Dr. Andrew Sass inaugurated the event with presentations from each team, detailing their design and testing processes. The presentations allowed spectators to gain insights into the diverse approaches to the challenge.

"Returning to MIT as a competitor rather than a spectator... made the experience much more rewarding and exciting."

RACHEL LEONG

When all the races ended, the team members from competing schools began dismantling the maze as Dr. Sass and Soon prepared to announce the winners. Dr. Sass gave final remarks acknowledging the hard work of each team and encouraged them to continue to improve their Micromice.

The competition was intense, with each team's effort drawing attention and reactions from the audience. Despite the challenges, our teams performed admirably. Rutgers secured the 1st and 3rd places, WolfRatSigma took 2nd, and WolfRatAlpha was awarded Best Design. The event concluded with a photo session for the winners, celebrating the achievements of both Rutgers and SBU.

The day ended with takeout pizza and a short drive to the Sheraton Framingham Hotel for some well-deserved rest. We are grateful to Dr. Sass, Soon, the judges, and MIT for hosting the event, and to IEEE LI for their financial support. Congratulations to Rutgers and thank you to all the teams for a competitive event. We are excited to compete again next year!



Summer Wang and Anna Li working to build the micromouse maze.

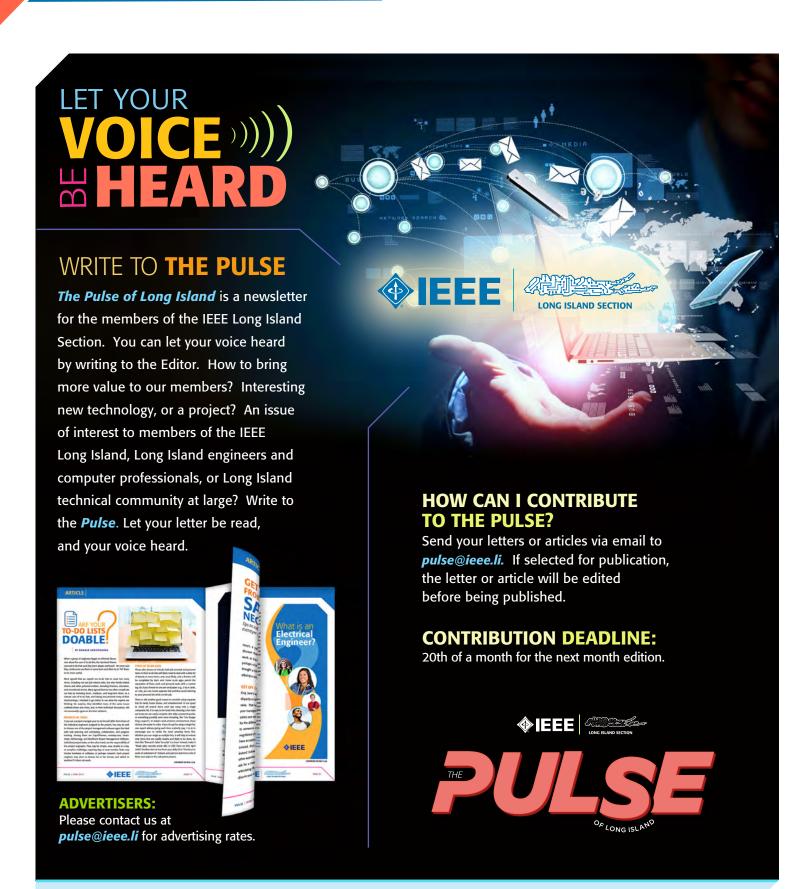






Group photo of the winning micromice

WolfRatAlpha and WolfRatSigma (from left to right - Thomas Montchal, Johnny Liu, Christopher Lobato, Ilan Messing, Rachel Leong, Kyle Han, and Daniel Kapriyelov)



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