Announcements
1. 3/3 Quiz 3: TSL1401 line camera
2. CalDay Sat. April 18 10 am @ UCB
3. Be safe with LiPo
4. Be safe with mounting
Topics

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Upcoming Checkpoints

2/21  C4: easy, work ahead!
C4.2: Line camera image capture with exposure control.
C4.4.4 Line camera calibration: measure track lateral displacement in mm
HW 1 line detection (due 3/3)

2/28  C5: may be harder, mounting, prototyping velocity sensor, writing control code
C5.3: BBBL, motor driver, velocity sensor mounted to car
C5.4: Basic track detection and wheels turn toward track (benchtop)
C5.5: basic velocity sensor, estimation and benchtop control: 3 m/s.

3/6  C6.3: The vehicle must complete the figure-8 course completely autonomously in under 3 minutes.
C6.3.4: running with velocity control
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Q1 Solution

Consider a DC permanent magnet motor (as used in your car). The car is initially at rest. The motor is connected as shown below. Neglect battery and switch resistance. Neglect motor inductance. Assume diode is ideal. Assume motor resistance = 0.2 ohm, and that the car accelerates to 4 m/s in 2 seconds. Assume back EMF constant is 1V/(m/s). Assume time constant for deceleration is 1 second.

Switch turns on at 0 sec, off at 2 sec.

Complete the sketches below for motor current $i_m$, motor voltage $V_m$, and car velocity.

![Motor model](image)

![Motor connection](image)
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Project proposal feedback: Motor Driver

Schematic
• Estop: what to switch?
• G_EN = 5V not 3.3V.
• Snubbing capacitors and diode
• Drive/brake/enable/dir- shoot through protection
• Need accel/coast/brake to avoid burning out motor/transistors
• Connectors- battery, motor, IO connections+ground
• Make sure capacitors on MC33883 are connected (needed for charge pump) and appropriate Vcc.
• Watch out for RC time constant on gate.
  Ciss Input Capacitance =8970pF.

Circuit Layout
• Mounting holes
• Big wires, short distances
• QFN vs SOIC package, SMD vs through hole
• Heat sinks- horizontal transistor is more robust
• Estop switch
• Signal connectors- include ground
• Power connectors
Project proposal feedback:

2.2 Mechanical Mount
• Encoder location: find easily accessible location, not in suspension
• Materials: 3D printed parts, and acrylic: heavy and brittle. Consider Styrofoam or thin-wall tube

3.1 IO Lines
• PWM? GPIO line won’t be real time. Need PWM hardware, or PRU. PWM0 is available on `GPS” connector through librobotcontrol.
• Encoder? GPIO line is not setup to count edges and may miss fast samples. QEP avail if using quadrature (maybe hack with delay for using single detector). Could also use PRU and a GPIO input line. (PRU0 already setup for Chan 4 quad encoding).
  • Maybe use timer 7 to latch event of rising edge of signal (ch 20)
  • Maybe use eCAP to catch rising edge (Ch 15)
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Quadrature Encoder

3.3 V DC

Fab suggestion: aluminum foil covered with black paper with slots. 4 slots probably enough. Note: sensors can be placed where convenient—don’t need to look at same slot.
Beagle Bone Blue Quad Encoder

int rc_encoder_read (int ch)

Returns
  The current position (signed 32-bit integer)
or -1 and prints an error message is there is a problem.
Ch 1-3 are available
Examples:
  rc_test_encoders.c.
Sharp GPS260

- Choose current 4 mA in LED
- $V_{cc} = 3.3$ V
- May want regulated/clean voltage for $V_{cc}$

**Fig. 9 Test Circuit for Response Time**

100 us response time

**Fig. 13 Detecting Position Characteristics (2)**
Velocity sensing

\[ \theta(t) \]

\[ \Delta \theta \]

\[ \Delta T_1 \]

\[ V_{\text{uniform}} = \frac{N \Delta \theta}{10 \text{ ms}} \]

Uniform sampling

\[ V_{\text{edge}} = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta T_1} \]

Edge timing
Velocity sensing (recap)

\[ V \sim \frac{\text{change in angle}}{\text{change in time}} \]

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Proportional control:
\[ U = kp \cdot e = kp \cdot (r - y); \]
Here: \( r \) is desired velocity, \( U \) is PWM %

Proportional + integral control
\[ U = kp \cdot e + ki \cdot e_{\text{sum}}; \]
\[ e_{\text{sum}} = e_{\text{sum}} + e; \]
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TSL 1401 line sensor

Functional Block Diagram
TSL 1401 line sensor

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

Figure 1. Timing Waveforms

Figure 2. Operational Waveforms
TSL 1401 line sensor - option exposure control
(would need to modify PRU code)

Exposure time (>25 us)

SI

129 clocks

CLK

A/D read
~12 us

AO

Clock only
no A/D read
Automatic Gain Control

- Choose exposure time based on average illumination
- Keep frame rate constant e.g. read sensor twice $1+4 \rightarrow 4 +1$ ms
- (Constant time is important for control- will see later)
Debian Processes/Delay

htop

# systemctl disable avahi-daemon
# systemctl stop avahi-daemon

connmanctl> services
connmanctl> disable wifi

sudo kill -9 {avahi-daemon, rc_bATTERY_monitor, apache2}. 
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Python Template for Track Finding

# track_center_list - A length n array of integers from 0 to 127. Represents the predicted center of the line in each frame.

# track_found_list - A length n array of Booleans \{10,100\}. Represents whether or not each frame contains a detected line.

# cross_found_list - A length n array of Booleans \{10,100\}. Represents whether or not each frame contains a crossing.
Possible algorithms for line detection

e.g. scipy.signal.filter. Many options. Here 3 suggestions:

• Subtraction- to find left and right edge of line (ok if not noisy, somewhat lighting invariant)

• Difference of gaussians (idea is to smooth then differentiate)

• Correlation (best match position for known features)
  – scipy.signal.correlate
Alternative #1 frame subtraction

TSL 1401 line sensor 8 bit

Frame 0

Frame 1

Frame 2

Frame 1-Frame 0

Frame 2-Frame 0

Notes: peak shows edge of track. Noisy, only 1 pixel resolution.
Alternative #2 Difference of Gaussians

Laplacian of Gaussian

\[ \Delta [G_\sigma(x, y) \ast f(x, y)] = [\Delta G_\sigma(x, y)] \ast f(x, y) = \text{LoG} \ast f(x, y) \]

Convolve with Difference of Gaussians kernel (approx. to LoG)

\[ \Gamma_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2}(x) = I \ast \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x^2)/(2\sigma_1^2)} - I \ast \frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x^2)/(2\sigma_2^2)}. \]

Consider \( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(h \ast f) \)

Notes: zero crossing is edge location
Alternative #3 Correlation

\[ \arg \min_{\Delta y} \| l(y) - f(y - \Delta y) \|_2 \]

Notes: normalize, find by least squares or search. Can use \( \Delta y(n-1) \) to initialize.
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Bicycle Steering Control

Proportional control:
\[ r = 0 \quad \text{(to be on straight track)} \]
\[ \delta = u = kp\cdot e \]

Proportional+derivative

\[ P+I+D \]
Proportional + Integral

On board Anti-windup
Extra Slides
Non-inverting amp to measure motor current. Back EMF can be estimated from battery voltage and motor resistance.

1.8V

To A/D

0.01 ohm (10 squares)

Low voltage r-r op-amp

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<tr>
<th>Cu Weight oz.</th>
<th>Thickness mm(mils)</th>
<th>mΩ/Square 25°C</th>
<th>mΩ/Square 100°C</th>
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<td>.02 (0.7)</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>1.3</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>.04 (1.4)</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.65</td>
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Back EMF velocity sensing
Analog/Digital Overview

Figure 12-2. Functional Block Diagram

Caution: 1.8V MAXIMUM
Note: lots of sequencing/delays.
Set up in PRU0 to read 128 elements at ~8 us/sample.

(1) In the device-specific datasheet:
- VDDA_ADC and VSSA_ADC are referred to as "Internal References"
- VREFP and VREFN are referred to as "External References"