EEE3099S Project Team 10

WeMove Team

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1. Table listing individual contributions

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who did it	Contributed								
Milestone 1									
Kian	Introduction & Req. Analysis								
Cameron	Subsystem Design								
Thiyashan	ATP								
Kian, Thiyashan	Timeline and PM Page								
all	Onramp courses								
Thiyashan	weekly review								
Kian, Thiyashan	block diagram								
Cameron	references								

2. Introduction

A line follower robot is a common robotic task where a robot with a simple drive system, sensors and a microcontroller is tasked to follow a line and sometimes complete tasked along the way. In this iteration of a line follower robot design challenge, there is a treasure hunt taking place. The goal is for the robot to take a twisting path with intersections and dead-ends, stopping at all the specified measurement lines to measure the distance to the treasure objects using an ultrasonic sensor, and finally stopping at a specified black rectangle.

The provided equipment includes the chassis (the structure, wheels, motors and motor drivers), the sensors (five line sensors, two motor rotation sensors, one ultrasonic sensor), the batteries (with power switches) and finally the microcontroller. Our goal is to regulate the two 18650 batteries to a stable 5V to power the onboard equipment as well as the coding the brain of the operation: the Arduino Nano.

This document is an in depth analysis of the requirements, the sub-system design, an acceptance test procedure, and an expected development timeline.

3. Requirement Analysis

3.1. Functional Requirements

Basic Modular Requirements	 Powering on. Movement capability. Functioning line sensors capable of line detection. The ability to measure the distanced using ultrasonic sensor. Battery reverse polarity protections
	 Battery undervoltage lockout
	 Power current limiting
Intermodular Interfacing	 Individual motor control through the H-Bridge using
Requirements	 Receiving data from line sensors
	 Triggering and receiving data from ultrasonic sensor
Complex Microcontroller	 Recording, storing, and analysing routes and
Requirements	intersection traversed by the robot.
	 Implementing specific criteria for stopping at certain points during navigation.
	 Deciding when to measure distances to objects
	based on predetermined conditions.
	 Precise control over the direction and speed of the
	robot.
	 Efficient path planning.
	 Safety features.

3.2. Constraints

- 1. Voltage supply and logic level: 5V.
- 2. Veroboard size: 100mm x 50mm; no breadboard allowed.
- 3. Power source: Operates off 2 x 18650 3.7V Batteries connected in series, regulated to 5.0V
- 4. Sensor placement: An ultrasonic sensor positioned at the front of the robot.
- 5. Line sensors: A maximum of 5-line sensors to be utilized.
- 6. Components: The usage of specific components is specified.
- 7. Time constraints: Project completion within a specified timeframe.
- 8. Availability of parts: Consideration of component availability during the project.
- 9. Mechanical specifications: Determining axle length and wheel diameter for the robot's movement.

3.3. Possible Bottlenecks

- 1. Processing and sensor speed: Ensuring that the microcontroller or processing unit can handle the required computations efficiently and that the sensor response time is suitable for real-time decision-making.
- 2. Battery power: Optimizing power usage to ensure extended operation time and implementing mechanisms for battery charging or replacement when required.
- 3. High turning speed stability: Designing the robot's mechanical and control systems to maintain stability and prevent issues like tipping or skidding during high-speed turns.
- 4. Subsystem Design: Developing and integrating different subsystems, such as motion control, sensor interfacing, data storage, and decision-making, to work harmoniously and achieve the project objectives.

4. Sub System Design

4.1. Subsystem and Sub-subsystems Requirements

Power:	 Regulate the power supply to 5V to meet the system requirements. Ensure sufficient current capacity to power all subsystems. ww Implement Under Voltage Lockout (UVLO) and Reverse Polarity (RP) protection mechanisms. Monitor and regulate current usage. Employ a current regulator to prevent the Low Voltage Regulator (LVR) from malfunctioning.
Microcontroller:	 Process sensor data in real-time and efficiently interpret it. Output processed data to drive systems and control the logic flow of the robot. Perform data processing at a faster rate than the sensor data acquisition. Incorporate an LED indicator to signify the operation of the ultrasonic sensor.
Motor drive and Motors: Mechanical:	 Enable forward, reverse, and turning controls for smooth navigation. Ensure speed control of the motors for precise movement. Chassis is already built to house all components. Build should be able to sustain knocks in the case of
Sensors:	failure. Utilize fast and accurate line sensors to provide realtime data on the robot's position. Ensure the ultrasonic sensor delivers quick and precise distance measurements for effective obstacle detection.

4.2. Subsystem and Sub-subsystems Specifications

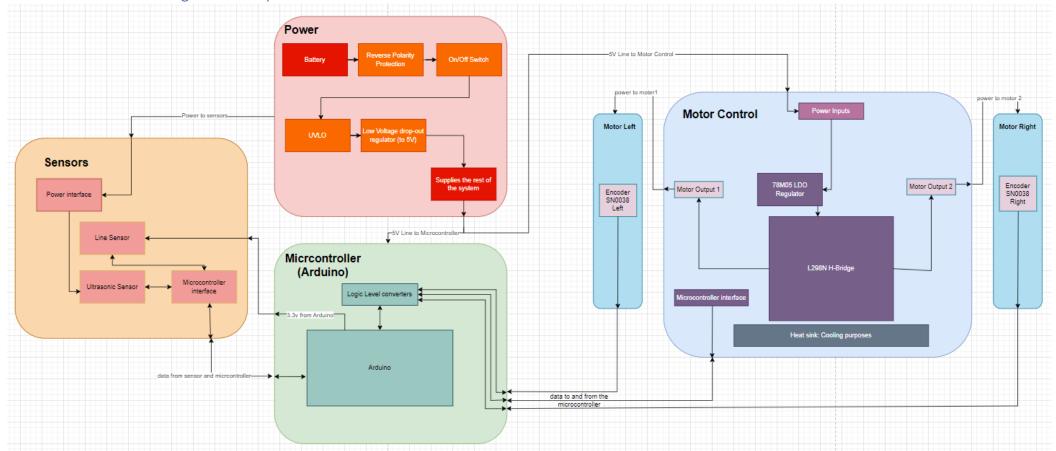
Power:	 Regulate the power supply to 5V, accepting input voltages between 6V and 8.4V.
	 Ensure sufficient current capacity to power all
	subsystems at 5A.
	 Implement Under Voltage Lockout (UVLO) at 6V to
	protect the system from undervoltage conditions.
	 Use a Reverse Polarity (RP) protection circuit consuming
	less than 1mW.
Microcontroller:	 Receive 5V power supply and convert the 3V3 logic level
	outputs to 5V using a Logic Level Converter.
	 Optimize calculations between the line sensors and H-
	Bridge output to be completed in less than 1ms.
Motor drive and Motors:	 Ensure the motors can rotate at a constant speed.
	 Power the motors with a 5V supply and ensure the
	system can handle up to 5A current.
Mechanical:	 Utilize a Veroboard with dimensions of 100mm x 50mm.

Sensors:	 Implement data transmission within less than 10 clock
	cycles to achieve high sensor speed.

4.3. Inter-subsystems Interactions

Power:	 Supplies regulated 5V power to all subsystems.
	 Includes protection mechanisms like UVLO and RP for
	safety.
	 Ensures sufficient current capacity for all components.
Microcontroller:	 Receives 5V power and uses a Logic Level Converter to
	convert 3V3 logic to 5V for interfacing with other
	subsystems.
	 Interprets sensor data and performs calculations for
	speed and turning control.
	 Communicates with the motor drive, line sensors,
	ultrasonic sensor, and other components.
Motor drive and Motors:	 Receives 5V power from the microcontroller.
	 Enables precise control over the motors for forward,
	reverse, and turning motions.
	 Ensures motors rotate at a constant speed for stable
	movement.
Mechanical:	 Hosts all components.
	 Provides protection and robustness to internal
	components.
Sensors:	 Delivers fast and accurate data from the line and
	ultrasonic sensors.
	 Transmits data to the microcontroller within short
	intervals.

4.4. UML Diagrams were possible



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5. Acceptance Test Procedure

5.1. Figures of merits based on which you would validate your final design.

Verification that the robot powers on and initializes						
successfully.						
Ensuring that all subsystems and components						
communicate effectively with each other.						
Validating that the robot can move autonomously as						
intended.						
Verifying precise control over speed and turning during						
navigation.						
Confirming that the robot can accurately follow a line on						
the designated path.						
Ensuring that the robot can correctly resolve						
intersections and continue its path accordingly.						
Validation of the robot's ability to map paths and keep						
track of the routes taken during navigation.						
Verifying that the robot can halt at specific measuring						
points and accurately measure distances to objects.						
Confirmation that the robot terminates its movement						
when it reaches the designated stop point or the end of						
the maze.						

5.2. Experiment design to test these figures of merit.

Check Power System and LEDs	 Ensure all power connections are secure and within the specified voltage range. Verify that the LEDs used for indicators (e.g., power on, ultrasonic sensor running) function correctly.
Check Microcontroller Communication with Components	 Test communication between the microcontroller and all subsystems/components to confirm interconnectivity.
Test Basic Movement	 Input a simple move command to the microcontroller and verify if the robot moves accordingly.
Test Advanced Movement	 Input specific move commands with varying speed and turning parameters to validate precise control over movement.
Line Following Test	 Run the robot on this path to ensure it accurately follows the line.
Intersection Resolution Test	 Verify that the robot correctly chooses and traverses each possible path at the intersection.
Path Mapping Test	 Allow the robot to navigate a complex maze while recording its path. Analyse the recorded data to ensure the robot successfully maps the paths it took.
Stop and Measure Distance Test	 Incorporate a measuring point with an object placed at a specific distance.

	_	Verify that the robot halts at the measuring point and accurately measures the distance to the object.				
Termination test	_	Set a designated stop point or end of the				
		maze.				
	_	Confirm that the robot terminates its				
		movement upon reaching the stop point.				

5.3. Acceptable performance definition

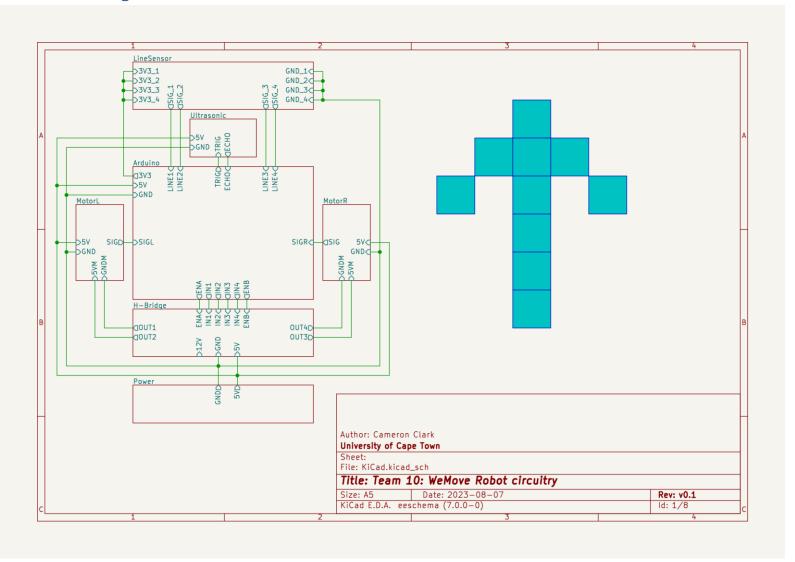
Power On	The robot must consistently power on and initialize its							
	systems without any failures.							
Interconnectivity	All subsystems and components should establish and							
	maintain reliable communication to ensure seamless							
	operation.							
Movement	The robot should be able to move smoothly and							
	consistently, responding appropriately to navigation							
	commands.							
Speed and turning control	The robot should exhibit precise speed control and turning							
	capabilities for accurate manoeuvring.							
Line following	The robot should accurately follow the designated line							
	path, keeping within acceptable deviations.							
Intersection resolution	The robot must correctly identify and traverse all possible							
	paths at intersections.							
Path mapping	The robot's path mapping should be accurate, capturing							
	the routes taken during navigation effectively.							
Stop and measure distances	The robot should halt precisely at measuring points, and							
	its distance measurement to objects should have							
	acceptable accuracy.							
Termination	The robot should terminate movement upon reaching the							
	designated stop point or the end of the maze consistently.							

6. Development Timeline

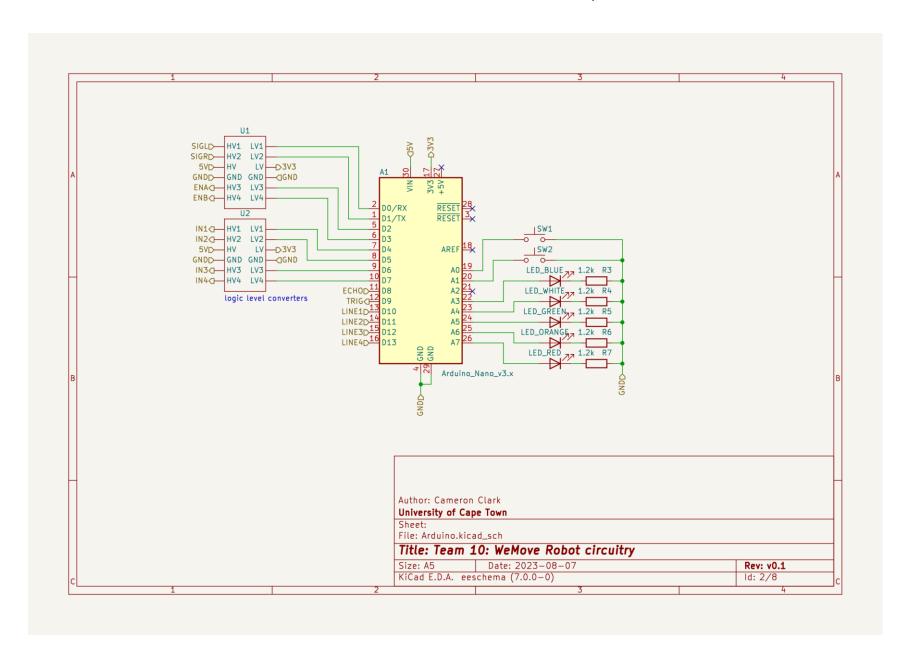
			24-Jul	31-Jul	07-Aug	14-Aug	21-Aug	28-Aug	04-Sep	11-Sep	18-Sep	25-Sep	02-Oct	09-Oct	16-Oct
Task	Task	person in charge	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6			Week 8		Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
milestone 1:		all													
	Introduction & Req. Analysis	Kian													
	Subsystem Design	Cameron													
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	Onramp courses	all													
	weekly review	Thiyashan													
	block diagram	Kian, Thiyashan													
	references	Cameron													
milestone 2:		all													
	Report:	all													
	Distance and Angle Control Algorith	Cameron													
	Line following algorithm Object Detection Algorithm	Thiyashan													
	Object Detection Algorithm	Kian													<u> </u>
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7. Circuit Design



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9. Appendix 1: Cameron Clark MATLAB Certificates





10. Appendix 2: Kian Frassek MATLAB Certificates





11. Appendix 3: Thiyashan Pillay MATLAB Certificates





12. Appendix 4: Weekly reviews

Week Ending

04 August 2023

Group Members:

Student Name	Student Number
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Project Status

Accomplishments:

- Started with the paper design, outlining the requirement analysis, subsystem design, acceptance test procedure and development timeline.
- Set up an excel spreadsheet used to document our individual contributions.
- Created a repository for our project.
- Create an image of the circuit design on KiCAD.
- Made block diagram.
- Finished the microcontroller diagram

Issues

So far, no issues have arisen.

Upcoming Tasks

Provide a list of tasks that are planned for the next week.

- Finalize the report details.
- Fill in the work breakdown.
- Power circuit diagram.

Attachments

NA.

Signatures

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Week Ending

11 August 2023

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Project Status

Accomplishments:

- Filled in the work breakdown (Timeline).
- Designed the power circuit diagram.
- Finalized some of the report details.
- Start designing the power circuitry.
- Finished building a prototype power circuit on the breadboard.

Issues

So far, no issues have arisen.

Upcoming Tasks

Provide a list of tasks that are planned for the next week.

- Complete all MATLAB courses and save the certificates in the repository.
- Hand in milestone 1.
- Start with MATLAB simulations.

Attachments

NA.

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Week Ending

18 August 2023

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Project Status

Accomplishments:

- Finalize the submission for milestone 1.
- Finish MATLAB courses.
- Discussed final questions with a tutor.

<u>Issues</u>

So far, no issues have arisen.

Upcoming Tasks

Provide a list of tasks that are planned for the next week.

• Start with milestone 2.

Attachments

NA.

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