

Ute Modelling Information

Motion Model

We are using an Ackerman Model:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_c \\ \dot{y}_c \\ \dot{\phi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_c \cos(\phi) \\ v_c \sin(\phi) \\ v_c \tan(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, if we translate our model to the gps and laser point, let us call this point (x_v, y_v) .

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_v \\ y_v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_c + a \cos \phi - b \sin \phi \\ y_c + a \sin \phi + b \cos \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

The velocity v_c is measured with an encoder locate in the back left wheel. This velocity is translated to the center of the axle with the following equation:

$$v_c = \frac{v_e}{\left(1 - \tan(\alpha) \frac{H}{L}\right)}$$

For our vehicle:

$$L = 2.83, H = 0.76, b = 0.5, a = 3.78$$

Finally the discrete model in global coordinates can be approximated with the following set of equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(k+1) \\ y(k+1) \\ \phi(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = f(x, u) = \begin{bmatrix} x(k) + \Delta T \left(v_c \cos(\phi) - \frac{v_c}{L} \tan(\phi) (a \sin(\phi) + b \cos(\phi)) \right) \\ y(k) + \Delta T \left(v_c \sin(\phi) + \frac{v_c}{L} \tan(\phi) (a \cos(\phi) - b \sin(\phi)) \right) \\ \phi(k) + \Delta T \frac{v_c}{L} \tan(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

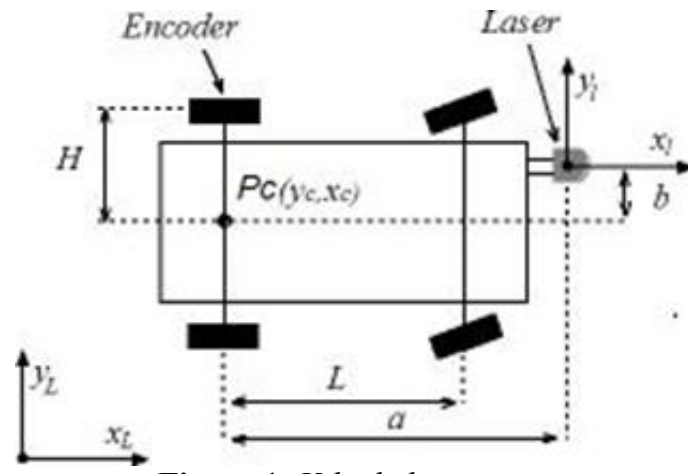


Figure 1: *Vehicle kinematics*

Observation Model

Observation model for range and bearing sensor:

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_r \\ z_\phi \end{bmatrix} = h(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{(x_L - x_v)^2 + (y_L - y_v)^2} \\ \text{atan}\left(\frac{(y_L - y_v)}{(x_L - x_v)}\right) - \phi + \frac{\pi}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

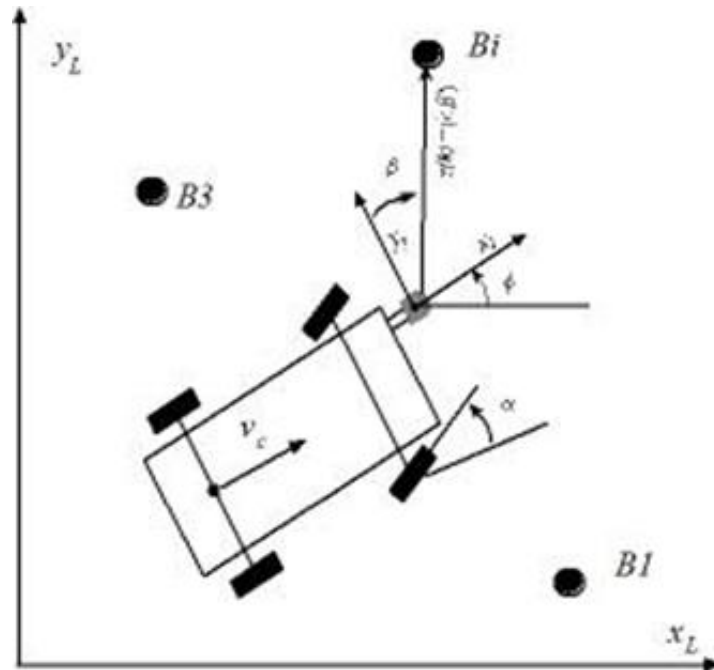


Figure 2: *Vehicle and Laser sensor*

Appendix A

A.1 Motion Model Jacobians:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{f}}{\partial X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\Delta T(v_c \sin(\phi) + \frac{v_c}{L} \tan \alpha (a \cos(\phi) - b \sin(\phi))) \\ 0 & 1 & \Delta T(v_c \cos(\phi) - \frac{v_c}{L} \tan \alpha (a \sin(\phi) + b \cos(\phi))) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A.2 Observation Model Jacobians:

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial X} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_r}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial h_r}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial h_r}{\partial \phi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial (x_v, y_v, \phi_v)} \\ \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial (x_v, y_v, \phi_v)} \\ \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial (x_v, y_v, \phi_v)} \end{bmatrix}$$

with

$$\frac{\partial h_r}{\partial X} = \frac{1}{\Delta} [-\Delta x, -\Delta y, 0]$$

$$\frac{\partial h_r}{\partial X} = \left[\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta^2}, -\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta^2}, -1 \right]$$

$$\Delta x = (x_L - x_v) \quad \Delta y = (y_L - y_v)$$

$$\Delta = \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}$$

Where

$\{x_v, y_v, \phi_v\}$ are the vehicles state variables.

$\{x_L, y_L\}$ is the landmark position.

For the Slam case, where the state vector is the vehicle posse and beacons position:

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with

$$\frac{\partial h_r}{\partial X} = \frac{1}{\Delta} [-\Delta x, -\Delta y, 0, 0, 0, \dots, \Delta x, \Delta y, 0, 0, \dots, 0]$$

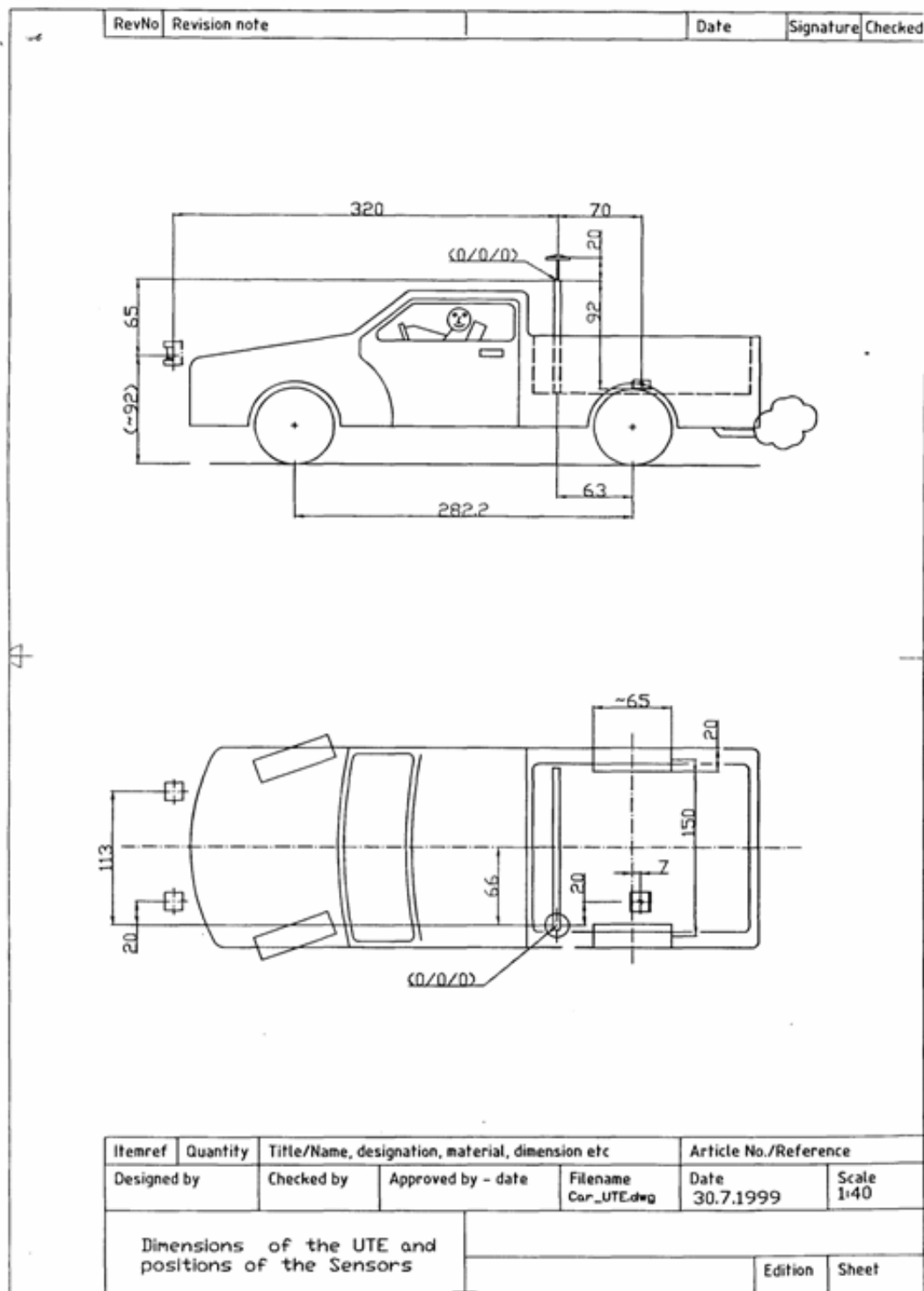
$$\frac{\partial h_r}{\partial X} = \left[\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta^2}, -\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta^2}, -1, 0, 0, \dots, -\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta^2}, \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta^2}, 0, 0, \dots, 0 \right]$$

$$\Delta x = (x_L - x_v) \quad \Delta y = (y_L - y_v)$$

$$\Delta = \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}$$

Appendix B

Ute Dimensions:



2 Sensors

2.1 Sensors available in the Ute

Dead Reckoning:

Velocity Encoder and Steering angle

Inertial Measument Unit: 3 accel / 3 gyros / 2 inclinometers (Watson Unit)

External Sensors:

GPS

Laser

Vision

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