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Preamble

This project was written by group 2, for the third semester on the IT-electronics
education at university college Nordjylland, Sofiendalsvej 60. The project goal is
to make an autonomous robot that can navigate a course utilizing object avoidance
and localization.

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Glossary

3D print 3-Dimensional printing

ADC Analog-digital conversion

GUI Graphical User Interface

IDE Integrated Development Environment

MCU Microcontroller Unit

PCB Printed Circuit Board

PID Proportional-integral-derivative

PWM Pulse-width modulation

THT Through-hole-technology

UART Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter

Introduction

In this section the problems found when trying to get the robot function, will be listed and analysed

2.1 Problem statement

The problem presented to the group is how to make a robot move from point A to point B, with the help of different sensors, including ultrasound and infrared, and to make use of autonomous algorithms to avoid obstacles.

Problem statement:

- Bot should be able to move from A to B
- Should be able to stop at a predetermined point
- Manoeuvre around obstacles

2.2 Problem analysis

2.2.1 Mobility from A to B

The robot receives a coordinate to reach, and will use its own starting point to determine a direction to drive towards the given coordinate. The robot will need a way to control its movement and direct current to function optimal.

The robot needs a way to effectively regulate speed and also steer itself autonomously. To dictate how quickly the robot moves, the robot will need some system that allows it to move around on a flat surface, the robot needs to be able to move around from point A to point B. .

2.2.2 Predetermined end point

After starting, the robot needs to know when to stop. The pre-determined end-point consists of a series of circles which the robot needs to detect.

2.2.3 Obstacles avoidance

As part of its functionality, the robot needs to be able to see objects that are in front of it and avoid them.

Requirements specification

This section specifies the requirements. The requirements have been found through the analysis.

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- The robot needs line following capabilities
- The robot needs object avoidance
- The robot should make use of an H-bridge
- The robot should make use of Motors
- The robot needs a way to implement motor control
- The robot should make use of a micro-controller unit
- The robot should make use of the Magician chassis

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4.1 Description of the hardware structure and functionality

In this section the different components of the hardware will be listed, described and explained. TBD: Mere fyld

4.2 Hardware diagram

TBD: Indsæt hardwarediagram Beskrivelse af hardware diagram

4.3 Sensors and sensor concept

TBD: Find out why this doesn't build...

The robot will utilize two sets on sensors - one set of QRE1113 sensors, which will be used for line-following capabilities, they are fastened towards the end of the robot, and will give the robot a way to detect what surface it is about to enter.

The second is a hybrid set of ultrasound and infrared sensors. These will be working together to make the robot able to navigate open spaces more precisely, since infrared and ultrasound sensors work the best under different circumstances. This will end up as a product which is more optimized for usage in situations that would not be ideal for one of the other, since the hybrid design will leverage shortcomings of a given sensor method.

4.3.1 Ultrasound sensor

When a robot should be able avoid obstacles it will need a device to inform the robot where it's position is compared to the obstacle. This is where an ultrasound sensor plays an important role. For this task the "TBD" has been picked.

The way the ultrasound sensor works is by emitting acoustic waves and then waits for the waves to reflect back to the sensor. The waves are often at about 40 kHz and humans are unable to detect the sounds because of the frequencies being above the human audible range.

There are three popular ways to process the information gathered from the ultrasound sensor.

- Time of flight
- Doppler shift
- Amplitude attenuation

In the scope of the project, the robot will be using "Time of flight" for sensing the distance between itself and the obstacle.

The calculation for using the ultrasound sensor is:

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t = time
r = distance travelled
c = speed of light
r = c*t
```

With this the robot can calculate the time of flight. SR04 Ultrasound:

4.3.2 Infrared sensor

The robot will make use of infrared sensors in symbiosis with the aforementioned ultrasound sensors. This will allow it to take readings on a wider array of surfaces, as infrared sensors are better suited for less even surfaces. They work by emitting infrared light onto a surface, and then taking a reading based on the amount of light that gets reflected. A light surface will reflect more light back than a dark one. The sensor will then output a feedback signal made of a certain amount of voltage, ranging from 1% to 100%, based on how much light was reflected back. Based on this output voltage, it is possible to use an ADC to convert these signals into digital signals, which can be monitored more conveniently. Functionally, the robot is left with a way of knowing which surface the sensors are above - and in the case of a track with a black line to follow, this allows it to detect where the line it needs to follow is.

4.3.3 Hybrid-infrared sensors - TBD name

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GP2Y0A02YK0F (long)
GP2Y0A41SK0F (short)
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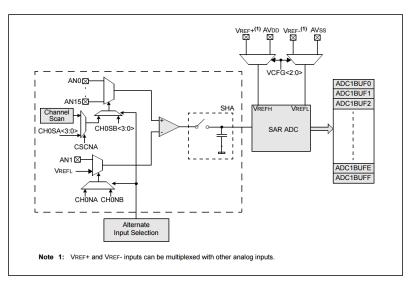
4.3.4 Line following sensor choice - the QRE1113

The QRE1113 sensor TBD: Er det overhovedet den vi vil bruge? Due to past experiences, the QRE113 sensor has been chosen to be utilized on the robot to enable its line-following properties. TBD: Nyt afsnit om QRE1113 The sensor then regulates its output voltage from 1% to 100%, or 0V to 3.3V. TBD: Passer spændingen her?

TBD sensor specs.
TBD måske lille skema over specs?

4.4 Analog-to-digital converter

ADC diagram



The usage of ADC

TBD (skal vi overhovedet forklare det igen? B: Vi skal nok forklare hvordan, og til hvad, vi udnytter det i projektet)

4.5 The chipKIT Uno32 board

The robot needs a micro controller unit, for implementing motor control and avoidance TBD: Mere fyld, hvorfor dette board over UCN?

4.6 The motor shield

The motor shield is containing the H-bridge and will be the board for ensuring control of the different components and motors. TBD (hvad er der helt præcist på boarded?)

4.6.1 The H bridge

The robot will make use of an H-bridge. An H-bridge is a circuit made for controlling the motor of the robot, by making sure the motor will never try to do forward and backward motion and cause errors. The point of using an H-bridge is to ensure motor safety and functionality.

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- 5.3.1 Duty cycles
- 5.4 The interface

Beskriv test section

6.1 Unit Testing

6.1.1 Infrared TBD: Find navn på sensor

Equipment

- Hameg HM8040-2 Triple Power Supply
- Agilent MSO-X 3024A Oscilloscope

Setup

Power to the sensor is supplied by the power supply and the output is read on the oscilloscope.

Results

30mm: 2.29V **50mm:** 3.07V **100mm:** 2.34V **200mm:** 1.31V **500mm:** 515mV

As is evident in the results above, this sensor does not work at low distances, which is also described in the datasheet.

6.1.2 Ultralyd TBD: Find navn på sensor

Equipment

- Arduino UNO
- Agilent MSO-X 3024A Oscilloscope

Setup

A small program for the Arduino has been written which allows the MCU to trigger the sensor and waits a pre-specified amount of time before triggering again, to allow for the return of the ultrasound wave.

Results

30mm: 152 us **50mm:** 285 us **100mm:** 600 us **200mm:** 1.23 ms **500mm:** 2.32 ms

6.1.3 QRE1113

Equipment

• Hameg HM8040-2 Triple Power Supply

Setup

Power to the motors is supplied by the power supply, which also measures the current.

Results

Measured current on both engines is between 70 and 80 mA when running freely.

6.1.4 DC Motors

Equipment

- Hameg HM8040-2 Triple Power Supply
- Fluke 45 Multimeter

Setup

Results

6.1.5 H-Bridge

Equipment

Setup

Results

6.1.6 PWM

Equipment

Setup

Results

6.1.7 ADC

Equipment

Setup

Results

6.2 Integration Testing

6.2.1 PWM motor control

Equipment

Setup

Results

6.2.2 Robot to Interface communication

Equipment

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6.3 System Testing

Equipment

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Software appendix

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ADC.c:

10.2 C# code - interface

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