

# ME 210: Intro to Mechatronics

## Lab 0 - Programming Raptors on a Sparki

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### 1. Q2.5 - Why doesn't the LED blink at 0.5Hz?

Because in these functions:

```

1 void handleMoveForward(void) {
2     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(HALF_SPEED);
3     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(HALF_SPEED);
4     delay(MOTOR_TIME_INTERVAL);
5     state = STATE_MOVE_BACKWARD;
6 }
7
8 void handleMoveBackward(void) {
9     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(-1*HALF_SPEED);
10    raptor.RightMtrSpeed(-1*HALF_SPEED);
11    delay(MOTOR_TIME_INTERVAL);
12    state = STATE_MOVE_FORWARD;
13 }
```

we can see in lines 4 and 11, the

```
delay(MOTOR_TIME_INTERVAL);
```

is blocking the checking of the timer expiration in the function `checkGlobalEvents()`; in the loop:

```

1 void loop() {
2     checkGlobalEvents();
3     switch (state) {
4         case STATE_MOVE_FORWARD:
5             handleMoveForward();
6             break;
7         case STATE_MOVE_BACKWARD:
8             handleMoveBackward();
9             break;
10        default: // Should never get into an unhandled state
11            Serial.println("What is this I do not even... ");
12    }
13 }
```

} (1) Timer expiration  
is checked here

} (2)  
Both states contain  
blocking code

## 2. Q2.6 - Identifying Thresholds

Thresholds:

```
1 LIGHT_THRESHOLD = 75;  
2 LINE_THRESHOLD = 350;
```

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Code to check the light and line values (which was used to determine the thresholds):

```
1 void check_light_thres(void) {  
2     uint16_t currLightLvl = raptor.LightLevel();  
3     Serial.print("Current Light Level: ");  
4     Serial.print(currLightLvl);  
5     Serial.println(".");  
6 }  
7  
8 void check_line_thres(void) {  
9     Serial.println("Current Line levels: ");  
10  
11    Serial.print("Line Left: ");  
12    Serial.print(raptor.LineLeft());  
13    Serial.println(".");  
14  
15    Serial.print("Edge Left: ");  
16    Serial.print(raptor.EdgeLeft());  
17    Serial.println(".");  
18  
19    Serial.print("Line Center: ");  
20    Serial.print(raptor.LineCenter());  
21    Serial.println(".");  
22  
23    Serial.print("Edge Right: ");  
24    Serial.print(raptor.EdgeRight());  
25    Serial.println(".");  
26  
27    Serial.print("Line Right: ");  
28    Serial.print(raptor.LineRight());  
29    Serial.println(".");  
30 }
```

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### 3. Q2.7 Helper Functions for Raptor

```
1  uint8_t TestForLightOn(void) {
2      if (raptor.LightLevel() >= LIGHT_THRESHOLD) return 1;
3      else return 0;
4  }
5
6  void RespToLightOn(void) {
7      state = ATTACK;
8      raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(FULL_SPEED);
9      raptor.RightMtrSpeed(FULL_SPEED);
10 }
11
12 uint8_t TestForLightOff(void) {
13     if (raptor.LightLevel() < LIGHT_THRESHOLD) return 1;
14     else return 0;
15 }
16
17 void RespToLightOff(void) {
18     state = LURK;
19     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(0);
20     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(0);
21 }
22
23 uint8_t TestForFence(void) {
24     if (raptor.ReadTriggers(LINE_THRESHOLD)) return 1;
25     return 0;
26 }
27
28 void RespToFence(void) {
29     state = BACK;
30     backingTimer.reset();
31     backing = true;
32     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(-1*HALF_SPEED); // reverse at an angle
33     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(-75);
34 }
```

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### 4. Q2.8 Simple Test Programs

```
1  // turn motors on
2  void motor_on(void){
3      raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(100);
4      raptor.RightMtrSpeed(100);
5  }
```

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```
6
7 // turn motors off
8 void motor_off(void) {
9     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(0);
10    raptor.RightMtrSpeed(0);
11 }
12
13 // get char from keyboard
14 char get_char(void) {
15     return Serial.read();
16 }
17
18 // prt value to serial monitor
19 void prt_value(void) {
20     Serial.println("Hello World");
21 }
22
23 // read light sensor
24 uint16_t read_light_lvl(void) {
25     return raptor.LightLevel();
26 }
27
28 // beep buzzer
29 void Beep(void) {
30     raptor.Beep(100, 5000);
31 }
32
33 // turn on RGB LED
34 void turn_on_RGB(void) {
35     raptor.RGB(RGB_WHITE);
36 }
37
38 // Test IR sensors
39 bool test_IR(void) {
40     uint8_t triggerState = raptor.ReadTriggers(LINE_THRESHOLD);
41     if (triggerState) return true;
42     else return false;
43 }
```

## 4. Q3 Design & Implementation

My design mainly relies on the raptor having four states:

- **Lurk:**
  - The raptor is in this state if the light detector is below the threshold.
  - The raptor will turn off the motors when entering this state.
- **Attack:**
  - The raptor is in this state if the light detector is above the threshold, and the line detector is above the threshold.
  - The raptor will turn on the left and right motors at full speed when entering this state.
- **Back:**
  - The raptor is in this state if the light detector is above the threshold, and the line detector is below the threshold, and the backing timer has not expired.
  - The raptor will turn on the left motor at negative half speed and the right motor at negative 75% speed when entering this state (i.e. reverse at an angle).
- **Rotate:**
  - The raptor is in this state if the light detector is above the threshold, and the line detector is below the threshold, and the backing timer has expired.
  - The raptor will turn on the left motor at half speed and the right motor at negative half speed when entering this state (i.e. turn left).

The backing timer makes sure that the raptor backs away from the target for a certain amount of time, and the rotating timer makes sure that the raptor rotates for a certain amount of time before attacking a new part of the fence.

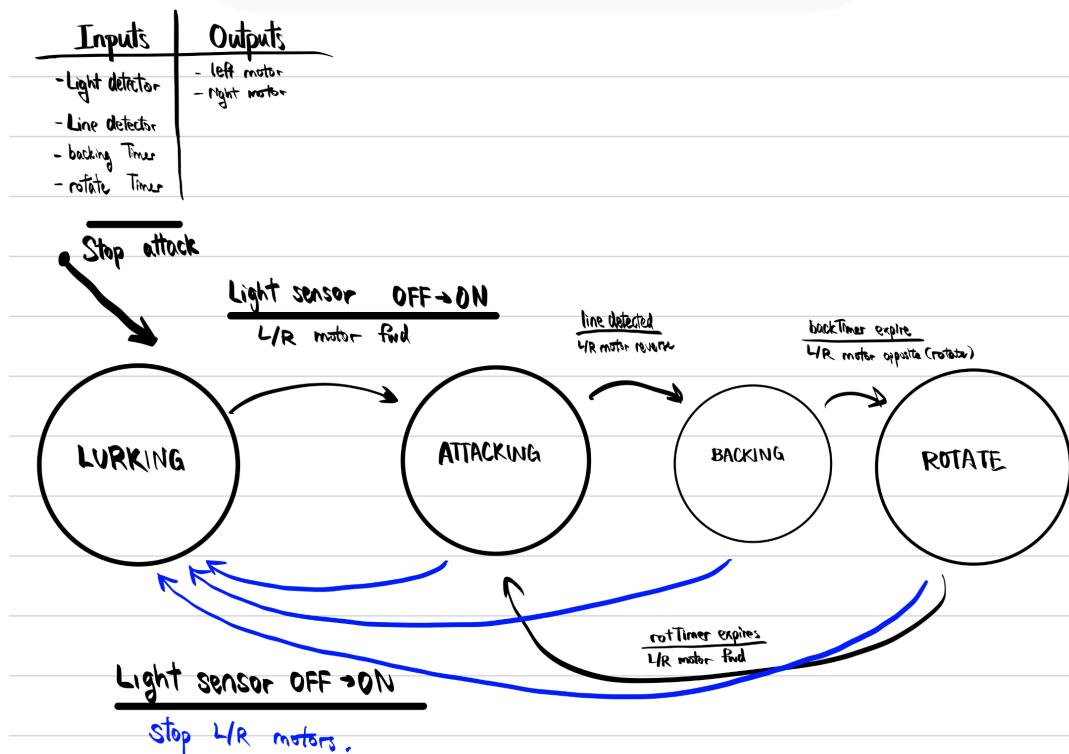


Figure 1: Finite State Machine Diagram of the Raptor

## Pseudocode/PDL:

```
1 // Setup:  
2 setup {  
3     Start in lurk mode;  
4 }  
5  
6 // Loop:  
7 loop {  
8     if light below threshold {  
9         state = lurk;  
10        motor turn off;  
11    }  
12    switch(state) {  
13        case 1: lurk mode {  
14            If light detected {  
15                state = attack;  
16                put motor in fwd;  
17            }  
18        }  
19        case 2: attack mode {  
20            If line detected {  
21                state = back;  
22                put motor in reverse (at an angle so it doesnt attack same spot);  
23                set a backing timer;  
24            }  
25        }  
26        case 3: back mode {  
27            if backing timer expires {  
28                state = rotate;  
29                make SPARKI turn (left motor fwd, right motor reverse);  
30                set a rotating timer;  
31            }  
32        }  
33        case 4: rotate mode {  
34            if rotating timer expires {  
35                state = attack;  
36                put motor in fwd;  
37            }  
38        }  
39    }  
40 }
```

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## Final Code:

```
1 #include <Raptor.h>
2 #include <SPI.h>
3 #include <Metro.h>
4
5 /*-----Module Defines-----*/
6 #define LIGHT_THRESHOLD      75    // *Choose your own thresholds*
7                                         // (this will be smaller at night)
8 #define LINE_THRESHOLD       350   // *Choose your own thresholds*
9
10 #define LED_TIME_INTERVAL   2000
11 #define MOTOR_TIME_INTERVAL 2000
12 #define BACKING_TIME        3000
13 #define ROTATE_TIME          2000
14
15 #define HALF_SPEED           50
16 #define FULL_SPEED            100
17
18 /*-----Module Function Prototypes-----*/
19 void checkGlobalEventsRaptor(void); // for Q3
20 void handleMoveForward(void);
21 void handleMoveBackward(void);
22 unsigned char TestForKey(void);
23 void RespToKey(void);
24 unsigned char TestForLightOn(void);
25
26
27 /*-----Raptor Function Prototypes-----*/
28 void RespToLightOn(void);
29 unsigned char TestForLightOff(void);
30 void RespToLightOff(void);
31 unsigned char TestForFence(void);
32 void RespToFence(void);
33 unsigned char TestTimer0Expired(void);
34 void RespTimer0Expired(void);
35 void RespBackingTimerExpired(void);
36 void RespRotateTimerExpired(void);
37
38 /*----- Simple Test Functions -----*/
39 void motor_on(void);
40 void motor_off(void);
41 char get_char(void);
```

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```
42 void prt_value(void);
43 uint16_t read_light_lvl(void);
44 void Beep(void);
45 void turn_on_RGB(void);
46 bool test_IR(void);
47 void prt_light_thres(void);
48 void prt_line_thres(void);
49
50 /*-----State Definitions-----*/
51 typedef enum {
52     STATE_MOVE_FORWARD, STATE_MOVE_BACKWARD,
53     LURK, ATTACK, BACK, ROTATE
54 } States_t;
55
56 /*-----Module Variables-----*/
57 States_t state;
58 static Metro metTimer0 = Metro(LED_TIME_INTERVAL);
59 static Metro backingTimer = Metro(BACKING_TIME);
60 static Metro rotateTimer = Metro(ROTATE_TIME);
61 uint8_t isLEDOn;
62 uint8_t motorIsFwd;
63 bool backing = false;
64 bool rotating = false;
65
66 /*----- Q3.4 Raptor Main Functions -----*/
67
68 void setup() {
69     Serial.begin(9600);
70     while(!Serial);
71     Serial.println("Raptors initialized!");
72
73     state = LURK;
74     isLEDOn = false;
75 }
76
77 void loop() {
78     checkGlobalEventsRaptor();
79     Serial.println(read_light_lvl());
80     switch (state) {
81         case LURK:
82             if (TestForLightOn()) RespToLightOn();
83             break;
```

```
84
85     case ATTACK:
86         // default attack mode
87         if (TestForFence()) RespToFence();
88         break;
89
90     case BACK:
91         if (backingTimer.check() && backing) RespBackingTimerExpired();
92         break;
93
94     case ROTATE:
95         if (rotateTimer.check() && rotating) RespRotateTimerExpired();
96         break;
97
98     default:    // Should never get into an unhandled state
99         Serial.println("What is this I do not even...");
```

100 }

101

```
102     Serial.println(raptor.LineCenter());
103     Serial.println(raptor.LightLevel());
```

104 }

105

```
106 void checkGlobalEventsRaptor(void) {
107     if (TestLedTimerExpired()) RespLedTimerExpired(); // Keep for lab
108     if (TestForLightOff()) RespToLightOff();
```

109 }

110

```
111 /*----- Module Functions -----*/
112
```

```
113 void checkGlobalEvents(void) {
114     if (TestLedTimerExpired()) RespLedTimerExpired();
115     if (TestMotorTimerExpired()) RespMotorTimerExpired();
116 }
```

117

```
118 void handleMoveForward(void) {
119     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(HALF_SPEED);
120     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(HALF_SPEED);
```

121 }

122

```
123 void handleMoveBackward(void) {
124     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(-1 * HALF_SPEED);
125     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(-1 * HALF_SPEED);
```

```
126 }
127
128 uint8_t TestLedTimerExpired(void) {
129     return (uint8_t) metTimer0.check();
130 }
131
132 void RespLedTimerExpired(void) {
133     metTimer0.reset();
134     if (isLEDOn) {
135         isLEDOn = false;
136         raptor.RGB(RGB_OFF);
137     } else {
138         isLEDOn = true;
139         raptor.RGB(RGB_WHITE);
140     }
141 }
142
143 uint8_t TestMotorTimerExpired(void) {
144     return (uint8_t) metTimer1.check();
145 }
146
147 void RespMotorTimerExpired(void) {
148     metTimer1.reset();
149     if (state == STATE_MOVE_FORWARD) {
150         handleMoveBackward();
151         state = STATE_MOVE_BACKWARD;
152     }
153     else {
154         handleMoveForward();
155         state = STATE_MOVE_FORWARD;
156     }
157 }
158
159 uint8_t TestForKey(void) {
160     uint8_t KeyEventOccurred;
161     KeyEventOccurred = Serial.available();
162     return KeyEventOccurred;
163 }
164
165 void RespToKey(void) {
166     uint8_t theKey;
167     theKey = Serial.read();
```

```
168     Serial.print(theKey);
169     Serial.print(", ASCII=");
170     Serial.println(theKey, HEX);
171 }
172
173 /* ----- For Q2.6 (estimating thresholds) -----*/
174
175 void check_light_thres(void) {
176     uint16_t currLightLvl = raptor.LightLevel();
177     Serial.print("Current Light Level: ");
178     Serial.print(currLightLvl);
179     Serial.println(".");
180 }
181
182 void check_line_thres(void) {
183     Serial.println("Current Line levels: ");
184
185     Serial.print("Line Left: ");
186     Serial.print(raptor.LineLeft());
187     Serial.println(".");
188
189     Serial.print("Edge Left: ");
190     Serial.print(raptor.EdgeLeft());
191     Serial.println(".");
192
193     Serial.print("Line Center: ");
194     Serial.print(raptor.LineCenter());
195     Serial.println(".");
196
197     Serial.print("Edge Right: ");
198     Serial.print(raptor.EdgeRight());
199     Serial.println(".");
200
201     Serial.print("Line Right: ");
202     Serial.print(raptor.LineRight());
203     Serial.println(".");
204 }
205
206 /* ----- For Q2.7 (implementation of functions) -----*/
207 */
208 uint8_t TestForLightOn(void) {
```

```
209     if (raptor.LightLevel() >= LIGHT_THRESHOLD) return 1;
210     else return 0;
211 }
212
213 void RespToLightOn(void) {
214     state = ATTACK;
215     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(FULL_SPEED);
216     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(FULL_SPEED);
217 }
218
219 uint8_t TestForLightOff(void) {
220     if (raptor.LightLevel() < LIGHT_THRESHOLD) return 1;
221     else return 0;
222 }
223
224 void RespToLightOff(void) {
225     state = LURK;
226     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(0);
227     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(0);
228 }
229
230 uint8_t TestForFence(void) {
231     if (raptor.ReadTriggers(LINE_THRESHOLD)) return 1;
232     return 0;
233 }
234
235 void RespToFence(void) {
236     state = BACK;
237     backingTimer.reset();
238     backing = true;
239     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(-1*HALF_SPEED); // reverse at an angle (avoid attacking same
fence part)
240     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(-75);
241 }
242
243 void RespBackingTimerExpired(void) {
244     backing = false;
245     rotating = true;
246     rotateTimer.reset();
247     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(HALF_SPEED);
248     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(-HALF_SPEED);
249     state = ROTATE;
```

```
250 }
251
252 void RespRotateTimerExpired(void) {
253     rotating = false;
254     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(FULL_SPEED);
255     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(FULL_SPEED);
256     state = ATTACK;
257 }
258
259 /* ----- For Q2.8 (Simple test functions) -----*/
260
261 // turn motors on
262 void motor_on(void){
263     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(100);
264     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(100);
265 }
266
267 // turn motors off
268 void motor_off(void) {
269     raptor.LeftMtrSpeed(0);
270     raptor.RightMtrSpeed(0);
271 }
272
273 // get char from keyboard
274 char get_char(void) {
275     return Serial.read();
276 }
277
278 // prt value to serial monitor
279 void prt_value(void) {
280     Serial.println("Hello World");
281 }
282
283 // read light sensor
284 uint16_t read_light_lvl(void) {
285     return raptor.LightLevel();
286 }
287
288 // beep buzzer
289 void Beep(void) {
290     raptor.Beep(100, 5000);
291 }
```

```
292
293 // turn on RGB LED
294 void turn_on_RGB(void) {
295     raptor.RGB(RGB_WHITE);
296 }
297
298 // Test IR sensors
299 bool test_IR(void) {
300     uint8_t triggerState = raptor.ReadTriggers(LINE_THRESHOLD);
301     if (triggerState) return true;
302     else return false;
303 }
```