Project Rubric

• Student describes their model in detail. This includes the state, actuators and update equations?

We use the kinematic model here. The variables used are

x coordinate
y coordinate
orientation angle psi,
velocity v,
cross-track error cte
psi error epsi

Actuator outputs:

acceleration a steering angle delta

The model combines the state and actuations from the previous timestep to calculate the state for the current timestep.

$$egin{aligned} x_{t+1} &= x_t + v_t * cos(\psi_t) * dt \ & y_{t+1} &= y_t + v_t * sin(\psi_t) * dt \ & \psi_{t+1} &= \psi_t + rac{v_t}{L_f} * \delta_t * dt \ & v_{t+1} &= v_t + a_t * dt \ & cte_{t+1} &= f(x_t) - y_t + (v_t * sin(e\psi_t) * dt) \ & e\psi_{t+1} &= \psi_t - \psi des_t + (rac{v_t}{L_f} * \delta_t * dt) \end{aligned}$$

Timestep Length and Elapsed Duration (N & dt)

The values chosen for N and dt are 10 and 0.1. The other values tried are 25/0.05, 10/0.05. From those other values the values chosen were working fine.

Polynomial Fitting and MPC Preprocessing

This is done in main.cpp. The waypoints are preprocessed by transforming them to the vehicle's perspective

• Model Predictive Control with Latency

The idea for handling latency is taken from jeremy-shannon github.

This is implemented in the code mpc.cpp. in the line 109-113 and 67.

the original kinematic equations depend upon the actuations from the previous timestep. There is a delay of 100ms (which happens to be the timestep interval) the actuations are applied another timestep later. The code in those lines are implemented to overcome this delay.